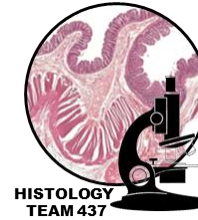




Normal cell of CNS



Red: important.

Black: in male | female slides.

Gray: notes | extra.

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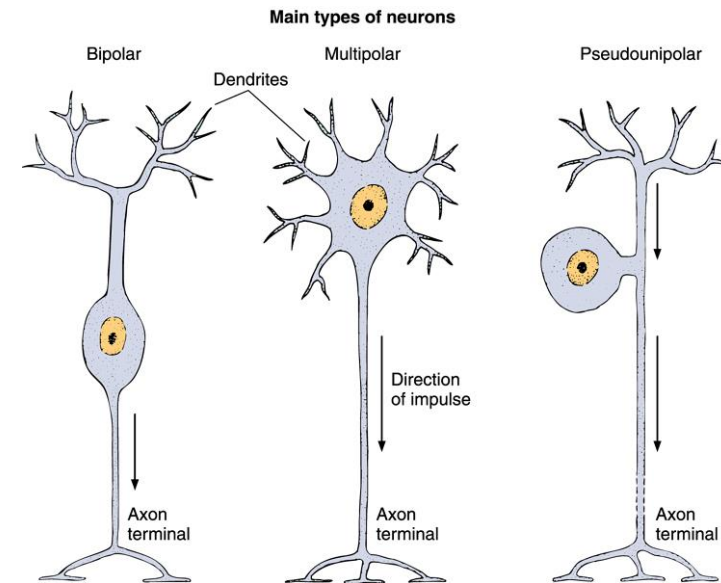
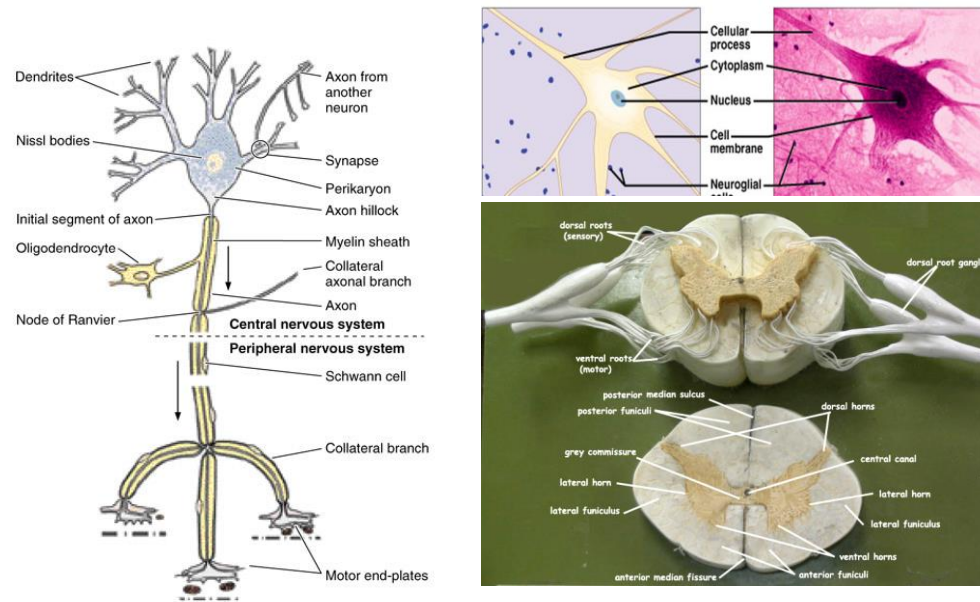
➤ OBJECTIVES

- Describe the microscopic structure and the function of:
- **Neurons:**
 - Cell body (perikaryon).
 - Processes: An axon and dendrites.
- **Neuroglia:**
 - Astrocytes.
 - Oligodendrocytes.
 - Microglia.
 - Ependymal cells.

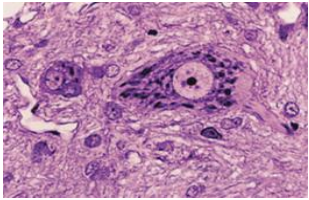
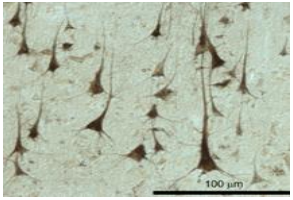
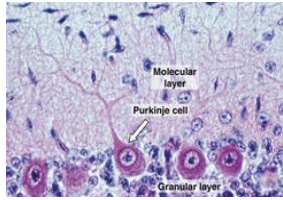
➤ NEURON

- **Components:**
 - **Cell body (Perikaryon)**
 - **Processes :**
 - **An axon: only one**
 - **Dendrites: one or more**
- We can differentiate between the axon & the dendrite by Nissl bodies
- Axons don't contain nissl bodies

- **Types:**
 - **Pseudounipolar neurons.**
 - **Bipolar neurons.**
 - **Multipolar neurons.**



➤ NEURON

Unipolar (Pseudounipolar) neuron (rounded neuron)	Bipolar Neuron (spindle-shaped neuron)	Multipolar neuron		
Has one process only, that divides into two branches; one acts as a dendrite and the other as an axon.	Has two processes (one arising from each pole of the cell body). One of them is the dendrite and the other is the axon.	Has one axon and multiple dendrites.		
Example		Types		
Mesencephalic nucleus of trigeminal nerve and dorsal root (spinal) ganglion.	Retina & olfactory epithelium. ear	Stellate neuron: commonest type. Distributed in most areas of CNS; Example: anterior horn cells of the spinal cord	Pyramidal neurons: Distributed in motor area 4 of the cerebral cortex	Pyriform neurons: Pear-shaped, e.g. Purkinje cells of cerebellar cortex
<p>under microscope you can differentiate between unipolar and multipolar by outline of the cell :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - if it regular so it unipolar - if it not regular so it multipolar 				



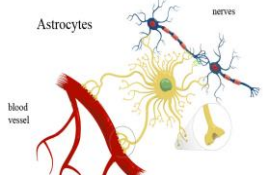
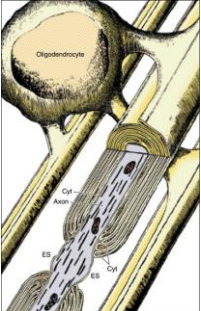
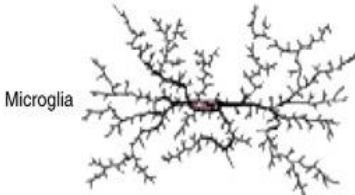
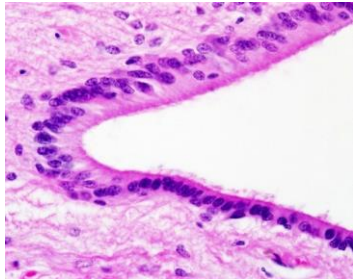
➤ NEURON

CELL BODY (Perikaryon)	NUCLEUS	Single, usually central, rounded and vesicular with prominent nucleolus.
	CYTOPLASM Its main components include:	1- Nissl bodies: are basophilic patches of rER and free ribosomes in the cell body and bases of wide dendrites.
		2- Neurofilaments: are intermediate filaments which are bundled together to form neurofibrils. Are found in the cell body, axon and dendrites.
		3- Microtubules: are found in the cell body, axon and dendrites.
		4- Golgi apparatus: surrounds the nucleus all around.
		5- Mitochondria: are numerous.
		6- Centriole: Most adult neurons have only one rudimentary centriole, so they cannot divide.
		7- Some fat and glycogen granules.
8- Pigments: Lipofuscin pigments (in old age). Melanin pigments (in neurons of substantia nigra of the midbrain).-		

- *The neuron is more active because the nucleus is open face and bigger
- *Nissl bodies exists in cell body and dendrites and its not in axon
- *Cardiac muscle and neurons cannot divide



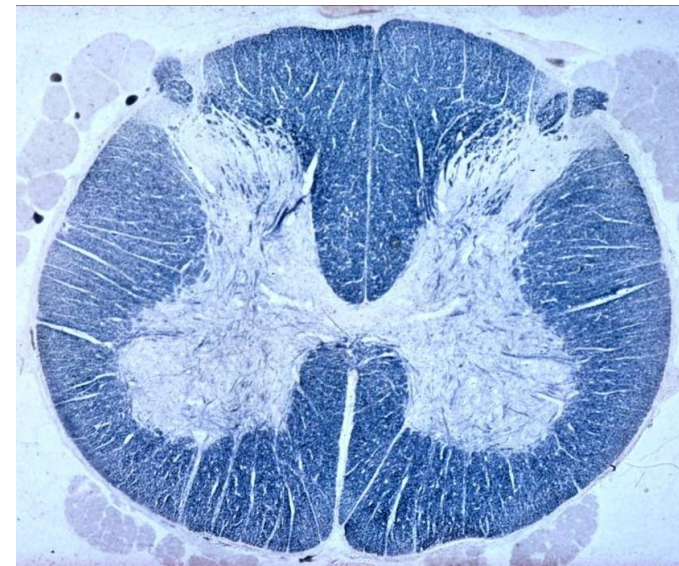
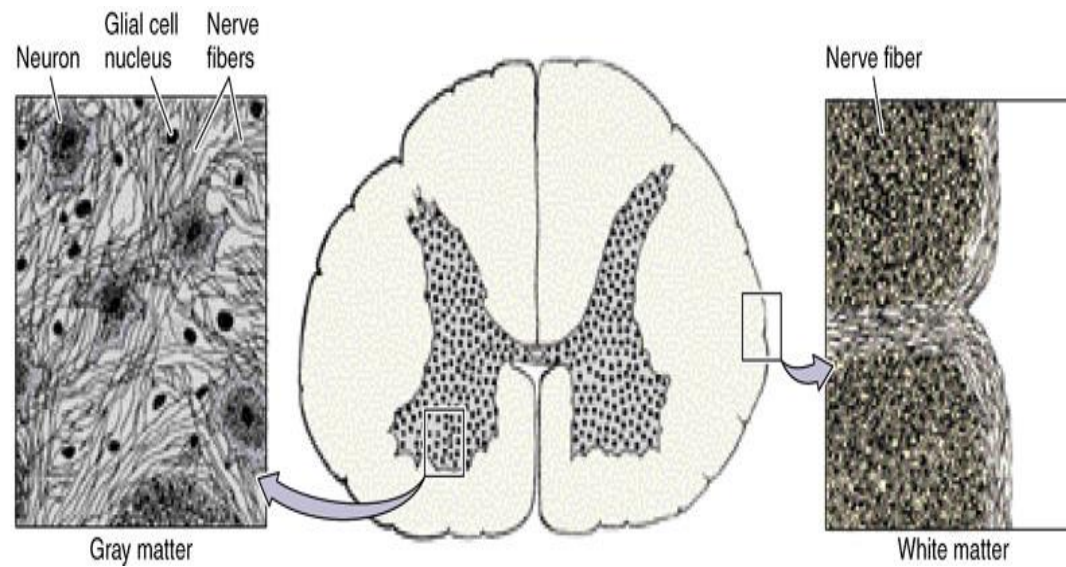
➤ NEUROGLIA

DEFINITION:	Are group of cells that act as the supportive tissue of CNS.			
	Astrocytes	Oligodendrocytes	Microglia	Ependyma cells
DESCRIBE	<p>Commonest type of neuroglia cells. They are found in both the grey and white matter. They are star-shaped cells with numerous long processes.</p>	<p>Branching cells with few, short processes. They are distributed in the grey and white matter of CNS.</p>	<p>Spindle-shaped cells with branching processes raise from each pole of the cell. Distributed in the white matter & grey of CNS ,are rich in lysosomes.</p>	<p>simple columnar epithelial cells (partially ciliated) lining the brain ventricles and the central canal of spinal cord</p>
FUNCTION	<p>- Repair of injury of CNS tissue (gliosis). -Supportive & nutritive functions to the neurons, Participate in the formation of blood-brain barrier.</p> 	<p>Formation of myelin sheath in the CNS. Insulation of nerve fibers.</p> 	<p>Their main function is phagocytosis Same as macrophage</p> 	<p>Formation & circulation of CSF</p> 



➤ TYPES OF NERVE FIBERS IN CNS

- Unmyelinated without neurilemmal sheath (in grey matter).
- Myelinated without neurilemmal sheath (in white matter).
- neurilemmal sheath is formed by Schwann cell
- Schwann cell produce myelin sheath for nerves out CNS
- Oligodendrocytes produce myelin sheath for nerves in CNS



➤ **QUESTIONS:**

Q1: In a neuron, which of the following is a basophilic structure?

- a) Nissel bodies b) Smooth endoplasmic reticulum c) Lysosomes d) Neurofilaments

Q2: Which of the following cells may have cilia?

- a) Astrocytes b) Ependyma c) Microglia d) Oligodendrocytes

Q3: Which of them structure related to Neurons?

- a) Astrocytes b) Nasal sinuses c) Cell body d) Ependyma

Q4: How many processes in the axon of Neuron?

- a) Four b) Three c) Two d) One

Q5: The function of Astrocytes is?

- a) Repair injury of CNS tissue b) Supportive & nutritive to the neurons
c) Participate in the formation of BBB d) All of them

D - 5
D - 4
C - 3
B - 2
A - 1

Q6: Insulation of nerve fibers is the function of?

- a) Astrocytes b) Ependyma c) Microglia d) Oligodendrocytes

Q7: Where we can find fibrous astrocytes?

- a) White matter of CNS b) Grey matter of CNS
c) White matter of Spinal cord d) Grey matter of spinal cord

Q8: What is the commonest type of neuroglia cells?

- a) Astrocytes b) Ependyma c) Microglia d) Oligodendrocytes

Q9: Distributed of Pyramidal neurons?

- a) Motor area 4 of cerebral cortex b) Motor area 4 of cerebral cortex
c) Sensory area 3 of cerebral cortex d) Sensory area 3 of cerebral cortex

Q10: What is the component of Neuron inside cytoplasm of cell body cannot divide?

- a) Golgi apparatus b) Mitochondria c) Centrioles d) Pigments

C-10
B-6
A-8
A-7
D-9



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