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HISTOLOGY TEAM
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LIVER & SPLEEN

Objectives:

- The histological structure of liver and spleen

Getting the academic to kick me out of the reviewing team

- ▣ **Editing file**
- ▣ **Important**
- ▣ **Doctor notes / Extra**
- ▣ **Random song lyrics**

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Liver

Stroma

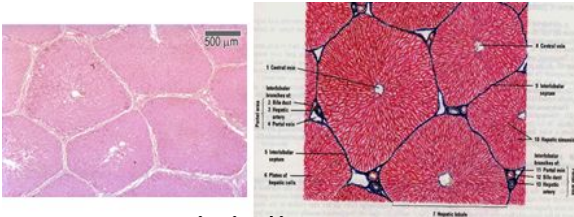
Parenchyma; Classical liver (hepatic) lobules:
It is formed of a polygonal mass of liver tissue, bounded by interlobular septa with portal areas at the periphery & central (centrolobular) vein in the center.

a- Capsule:

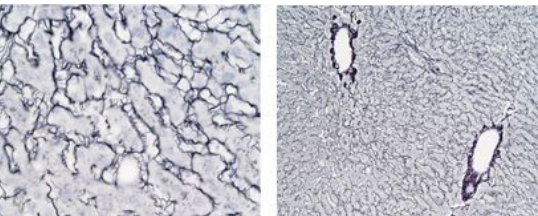
Glisson's Capsule.

b- Septa (C.T.) (absent in human) & Portal areas (Portal tracts).

c- **Network of reticular fibers.** (also found in spleen & bone marrow & lymph nodes)
Reticular CT = collagen type 3

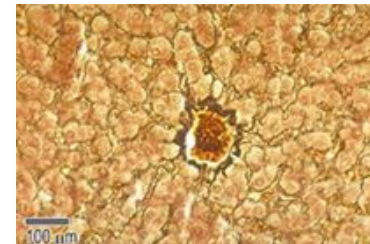
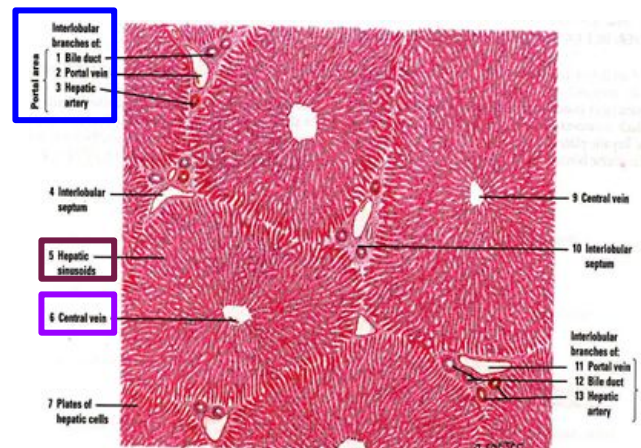


Pig's liver



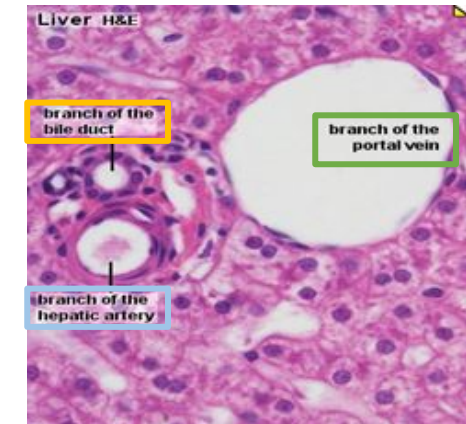
Contents of the Classic Liver Lobule:

- 1- Anastomosing plates of hepatocytes.
- 2- Liver blood sinusoids (hepatic blood sinusoids): In between the plates.
- 3- Spaces of Disse (perisinusoidal spaces of Disse).
- 4- Central vein.
- 5- Bile canaliculi.



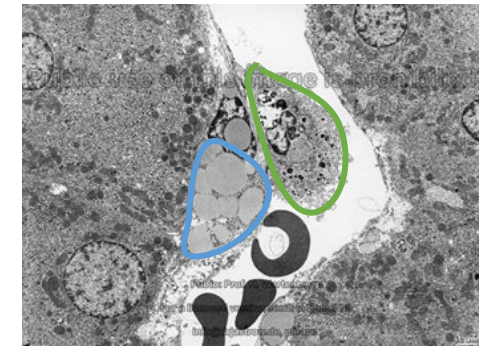
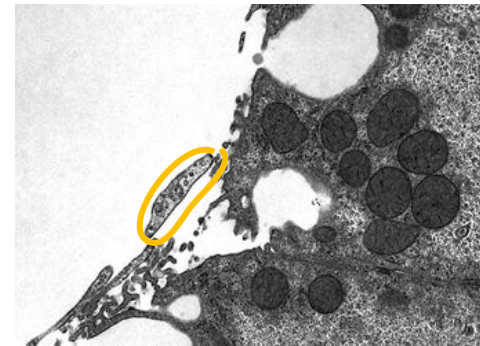
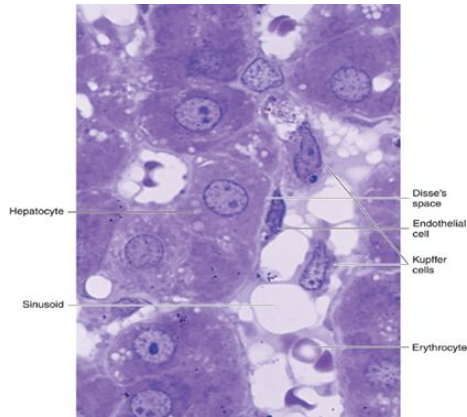
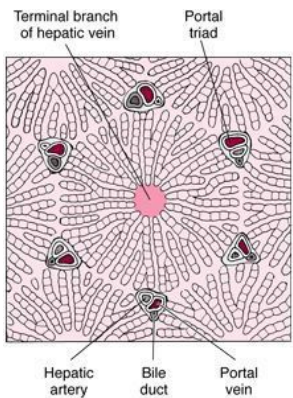
Borders of the Classical Liver Lobule:

- 1- Septa: C.T. septa (e.g. in pigs).
- 2- Portal areas (Portal tracts) (Portal triads): Are located in the corners of the classical hepatic lobule (usually 3 in No.) it contains:
 - a- C.T.
 - b- Bile ducts (interlobular bile ducts).
 - c- Venule (Branch of portal vein).
 - d- Arteriole (Branch of hepatic artery).



Contents of the Classic Liver Lobule:

Anastomosing plates of hepatocytes	Liver blood sinusoids (In between the plates)	Spaces of Disse (perisinusoidal spaces of Disse)	Central vein	Bile canaliculi
<p>Hepatocytes (LM) Are grouped in interconnected plates.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Liver sinusoids are located in the spaces between these plates. ■ Are polyhedral in shape. ■ Nucleus: 1 or 2, vesicular (large & pale) with prominent nucleoli. ■ Cytoplasm: acidophilic. 	<p>Hepatocytes (EM) <u>Organelles:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1- Mitochondria: ++++ 2- ER (sER & rER): abundant. 3- Golgi complex. 4- Lysosomes. 5- Peroxisomes. <p><u>Inclusions (Deposits):</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1- Glycogen 2- Lipid (few droplets) 3- Lipofuscin (old age) 	<p>(1) Endothelial Cells:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Fenestrated & discontinuous → free passage of plasma. – Basal lamina is absent. <p>(2) Kupffer Cells:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Are macrophages. – Are found on the luminal surface of the endothelial cells. – Function: phagocytosis. 	<p>Contents:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1- Microvilli of hepatocytes. 2- Plasma of blood. 3- Hepatic stellate cells (Ito cells) (Fat-storing cells): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – contain vitamin A-rich lipid. – form reticulin (reticular fibers). 4- Reticular fibers: (type III collagen). 5- Natural Killer (NK) cells. 	<p>formed by the membranes of 2 adjacent hepatocytes for bile passage, and is secured by desmosomes to prevent leakage of bile into sinusoid. leakage → cause jaundice.</p>



Stroma

1- Capsule:

– is covered by visceral layer of peritoneum; mesothelium
 – Is formed of fibromuscular C.T. (Dense fibrous C.T. + **SMCs** (smooth muscle cells).

2- Trabeculae: Are irregular, incomplete, divide the spleen into intercommunicating compartments (lobules).

3- Reticular C.T.

Parenchyma

No cortex, No medulla, No afferent lymphatic vessel.

White pulp

1- Periarterial lymphatic sheaths (PALS):

housing (programmed) **T lymphocytes.**

2- Lymphoid follicles (with germinal centers): housing **B lymphocytes.**

N.B. Both 1&2 have the eccentrically located central artery (central arteriole) (follicular arteriole).

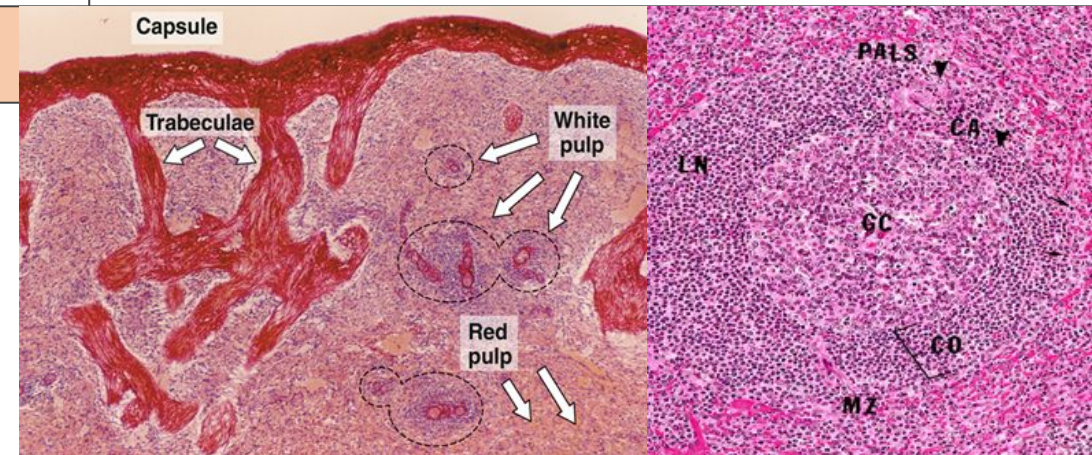
Red pulp

1- Splenic (pulp) cords: Extravasated blood cells, plasma cells, macrophages & reticular cells and fibers.

2- Splenic blood sinusoids: Are lined with elongated fusiform endothelial cells with large intercellular spaces & supported by discontinuous, circular basement membrane.

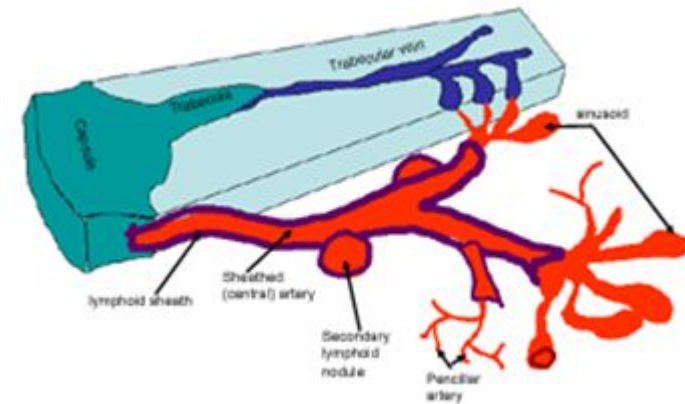
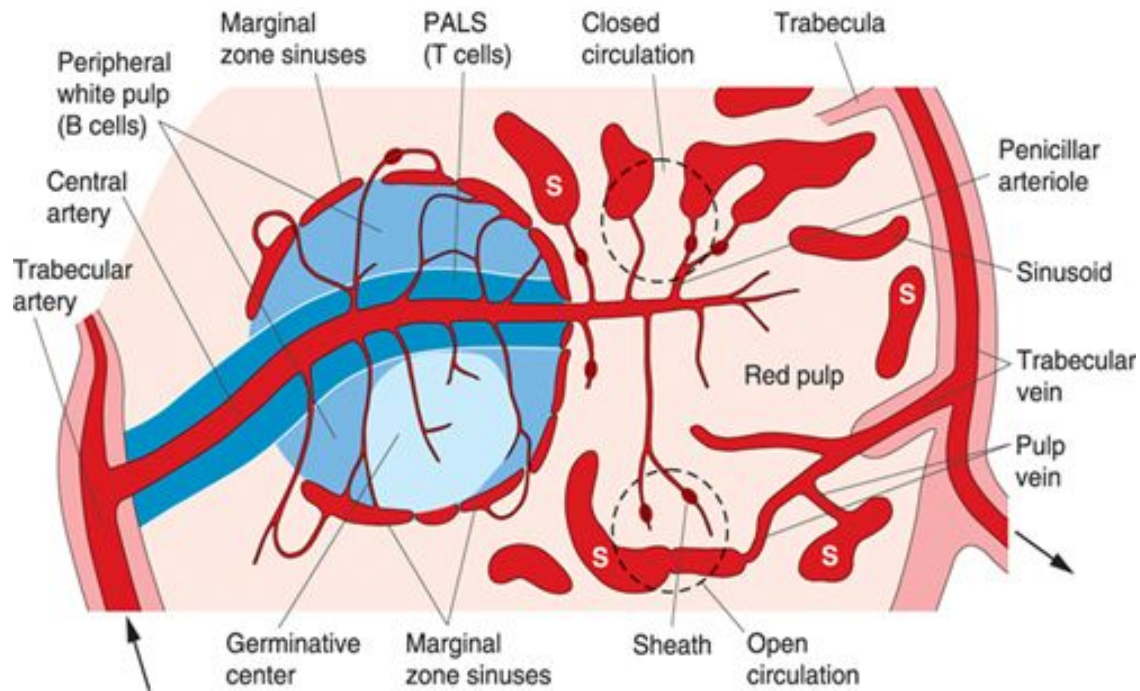
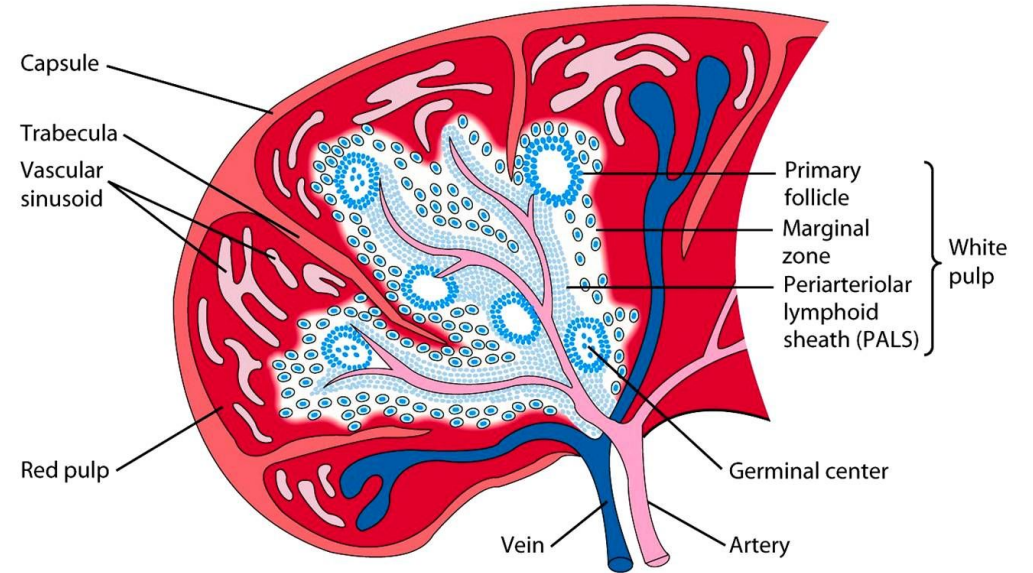
Cells of parenchyma of spleen

1. Lymphocytes.
2. Plasma cells.
3. Macrophages.
4. Blood elements (RBCs, leukocytes and blood platelets).



Splenic microcirculation

- open circulation → free blood
- close circulation → sinusoid



Quiz

1- What is the Function of kupffer cells?

- A. fat storage
- B. form reticulin (reticular fibers)
- C. phagocytosis
- D. bile passage

2- Which one of the following have SMCs in it's capsule?

- A. liver
- B. spleen
- C. A&B
- D. None

3- Endothelial cells of liver blood sinusoids are:

- A. Basal lamina + fenestrated
- B. Basal lamina + Not fenestrated
- C. No basal lamina + fenestrated
- D. No basal lamina + Not fenestrated

4- Which of the following is correct?

- A. Periarterial lymphatic sheaths house T lymphocytes.
- B. Periarterial lymphatic sheaths house B lymphocytes.
- C. Lymphoid follicles house T lymphocytes.
- D. A&C

5- Which of the following is true about Hepatocytes?

- A. Acidophilic cytoplasm + polyhedral
- B. basophilic cytoplasm + polyhedral
- C. Acidophilic cytoplasm + few ER
- D. A&C

6- The Portal triad contain:

- A. Bile ducts + Venule + Arteriole + C.T.
- B. Bile ducts + Nerves + Arteriole
- C. Reticular fiber + Venule + Arteriole + C.T.
- D. Bile ducts + Central vein + Arteriole



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Good luck
See you in the OSPE :)

“Life is too short to be sad, now show me that beautiful smile you nerd’ - Supposedly secret lec reviewer
but nah forreal tho go do something fun y’all really deserve it
and no I’m not writing these things cause I’m avoiding studying shut up

Help.