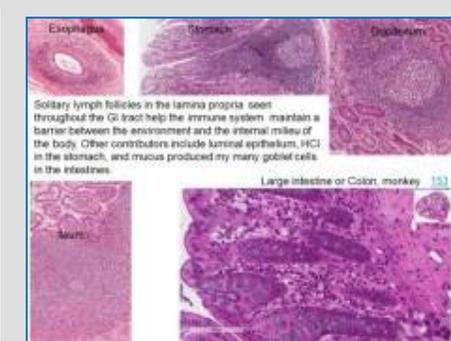
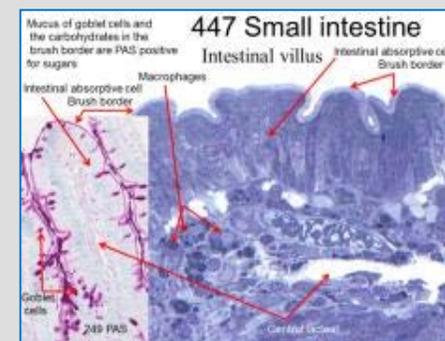
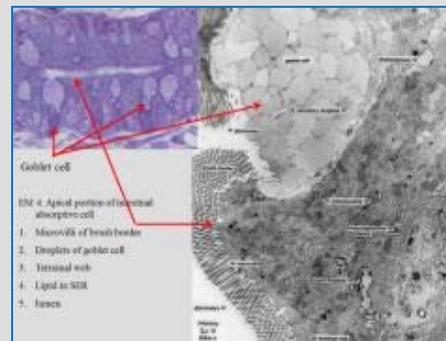
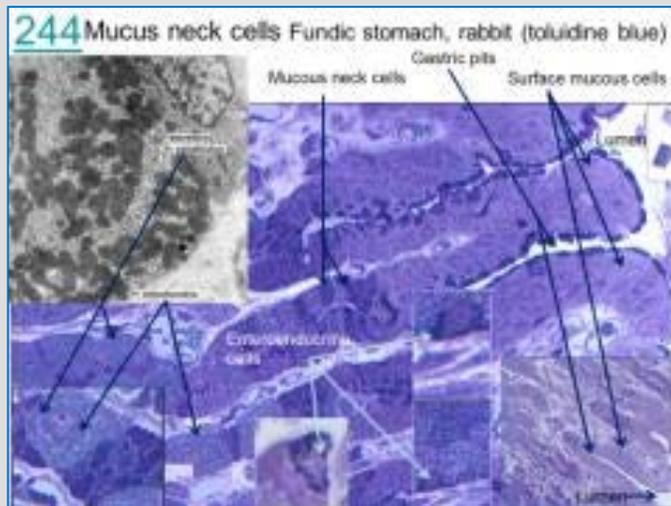
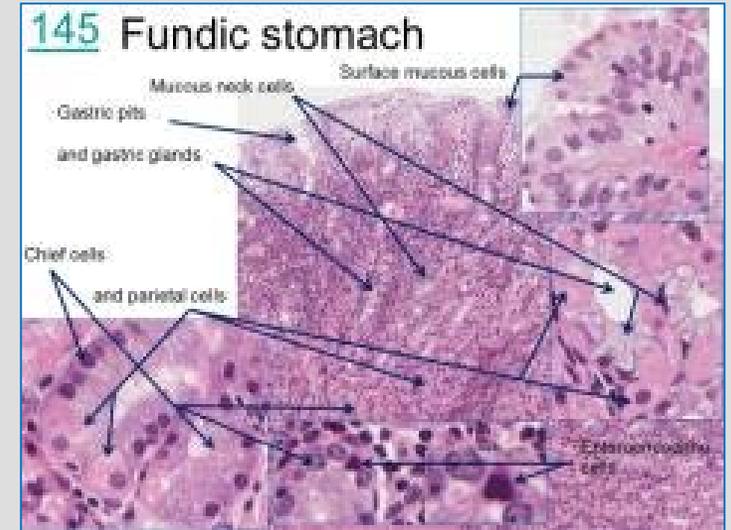
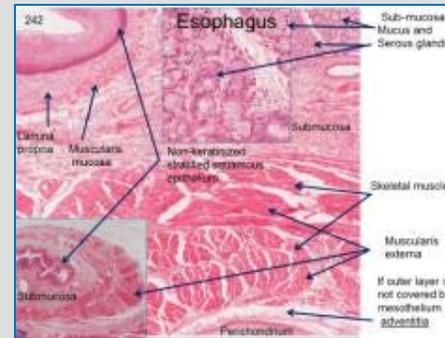
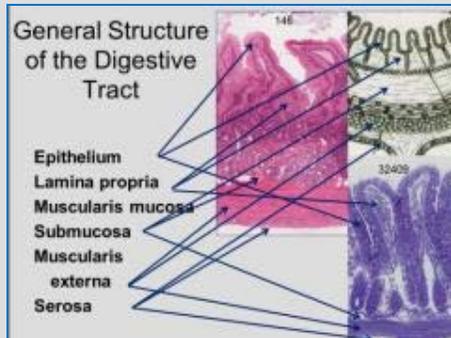


# Medical School Histology Basics

## Digestive System

VIBS 243 lab



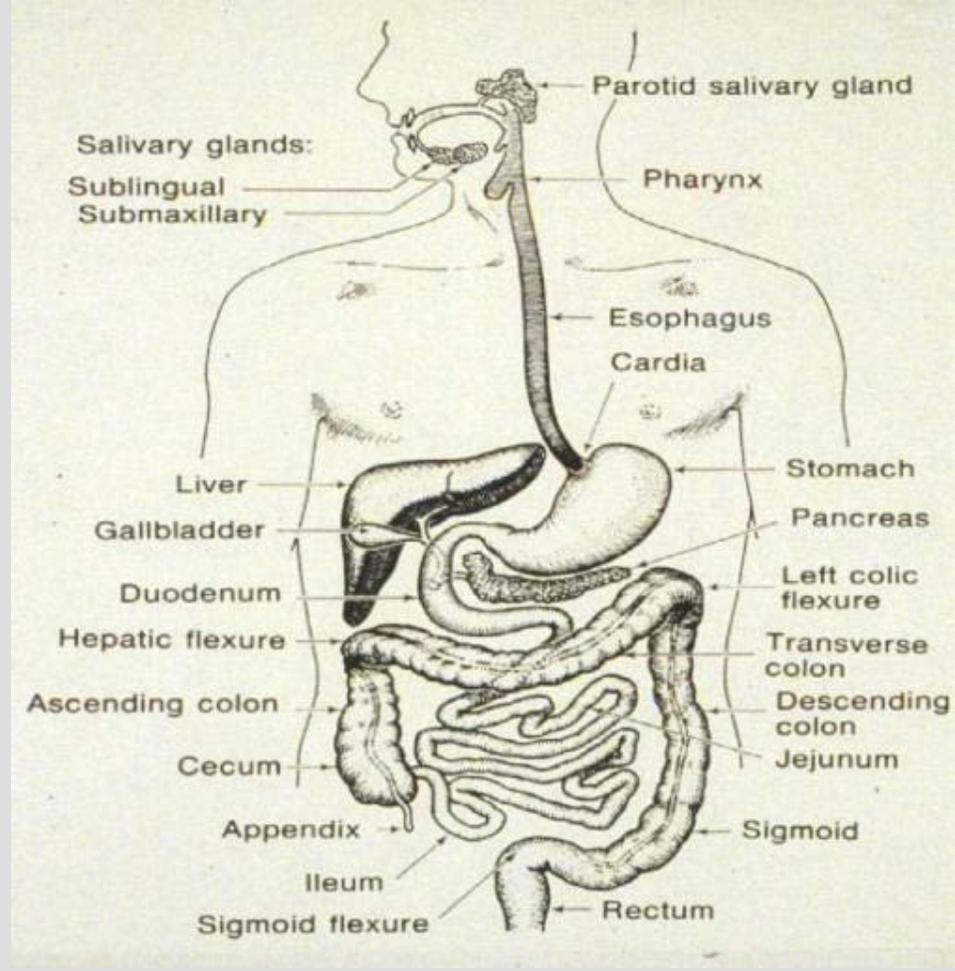
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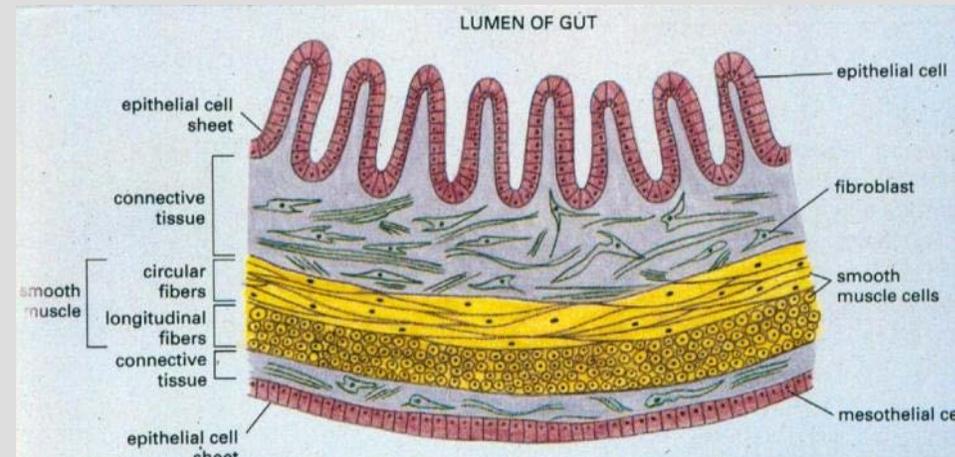
# Objectives

To understand the general organization of organs of the digestive system and how they function to obtain metabolites necessary for growth and energy for the body, yet maintain a barrier between the environment and the internal milieu of the body

To identify and describe functions of cellular structures, cells, and groups of cells in the digestive system.



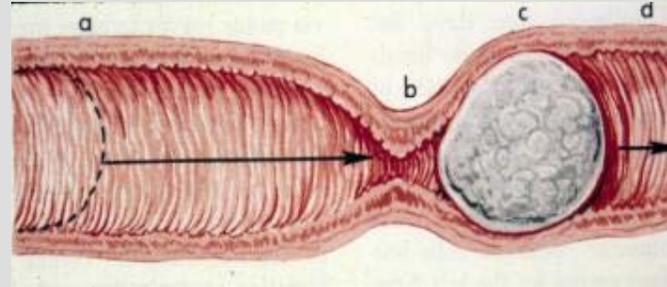
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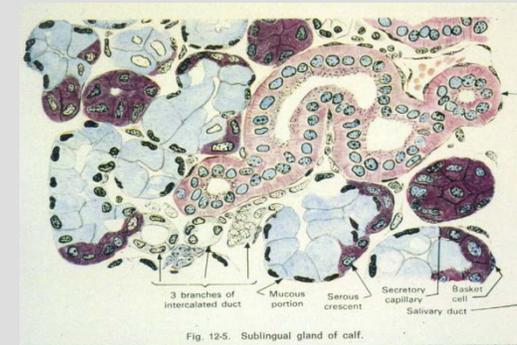
# Function of the Digestive System

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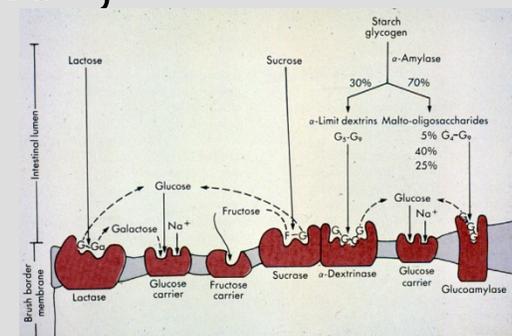
Movement of food



Secretion of digestive juices



Absorption of digested foods, water,  
and electrolytes



# Adaptation of G.I. Tract for Specific Function

## Function

Simple passage  
from one part  
to another

Storage of food or feces

Digestion

Absorption of end products

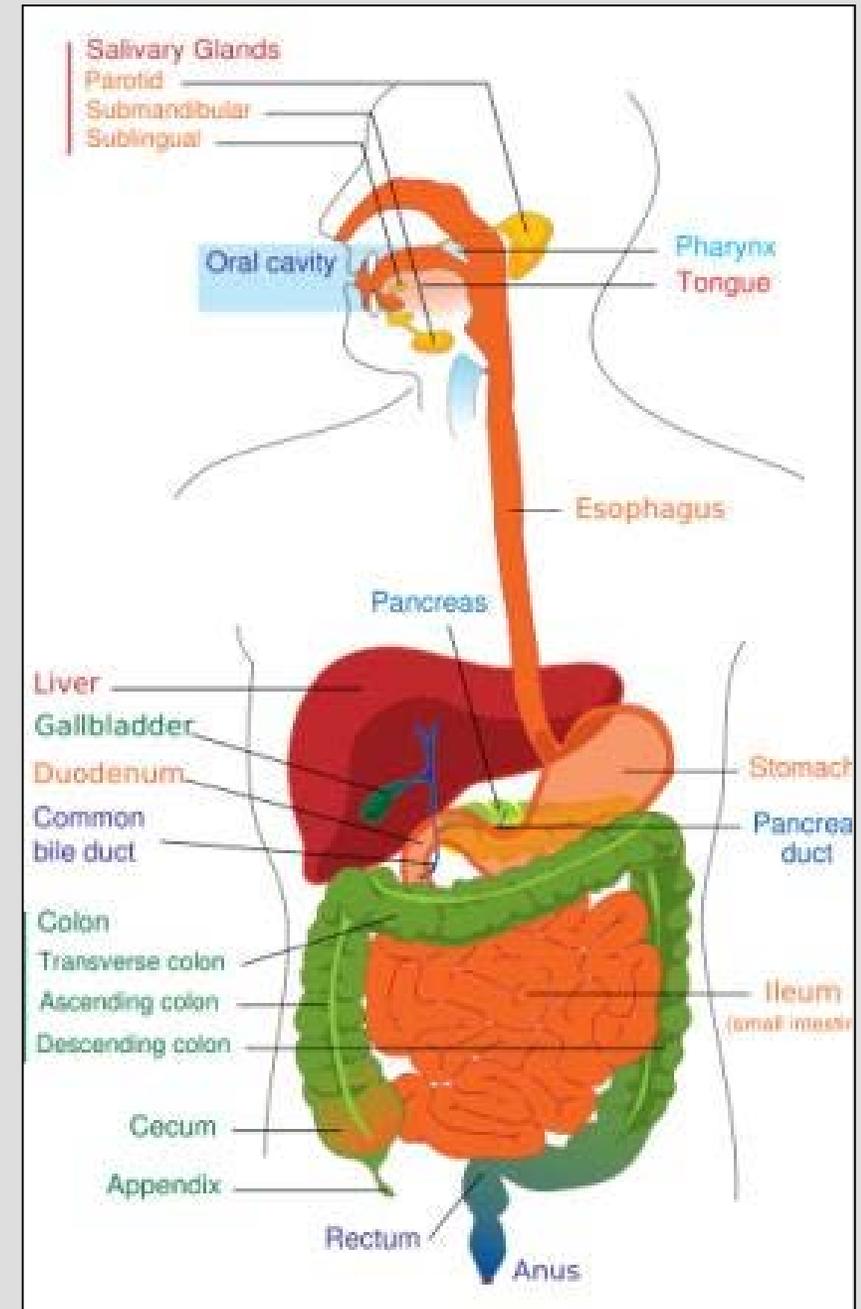
## Organ

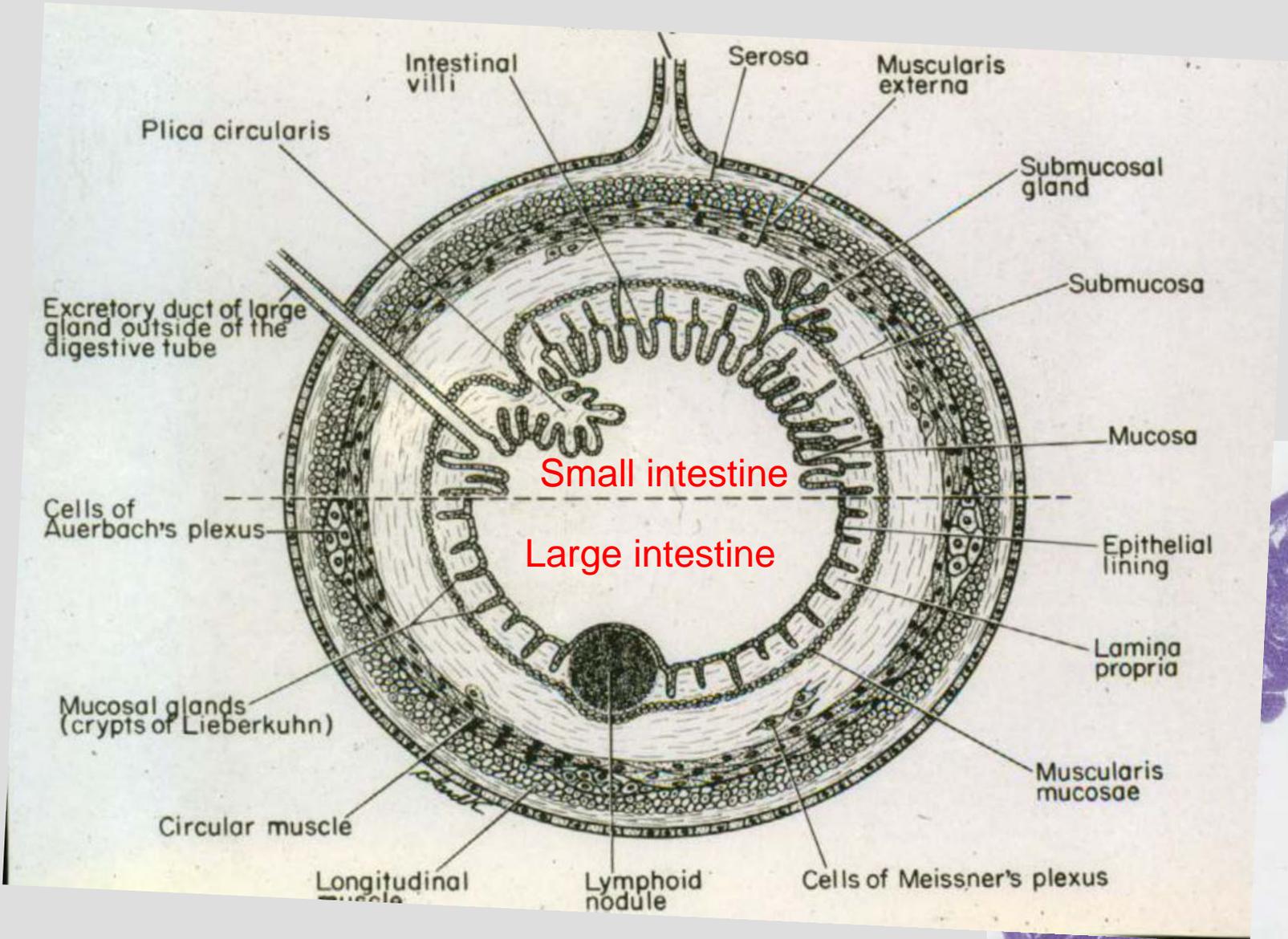
Esophagus

Stomach  
or distal colon

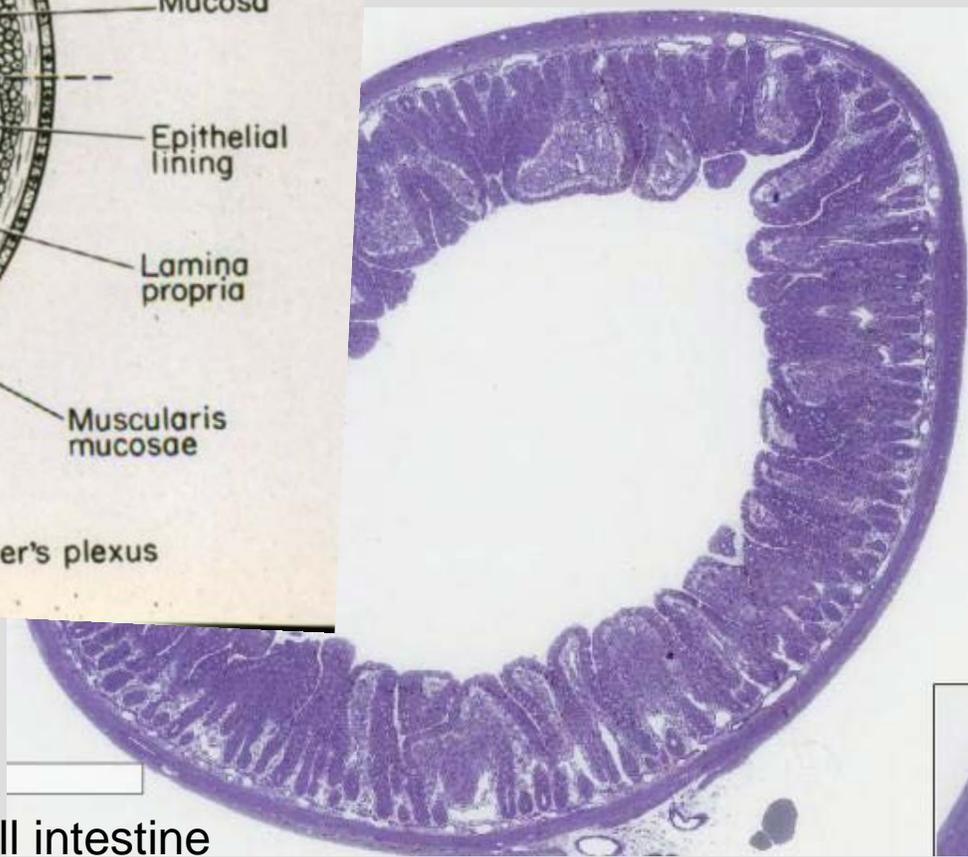
Stomach, small  
intestine

Small intestine,  
proximal colon





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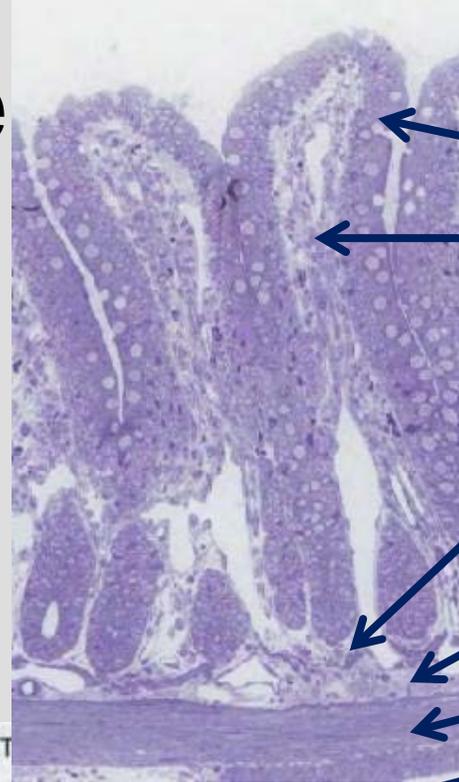


Small intestine

# General Structure of the Digestive Tract

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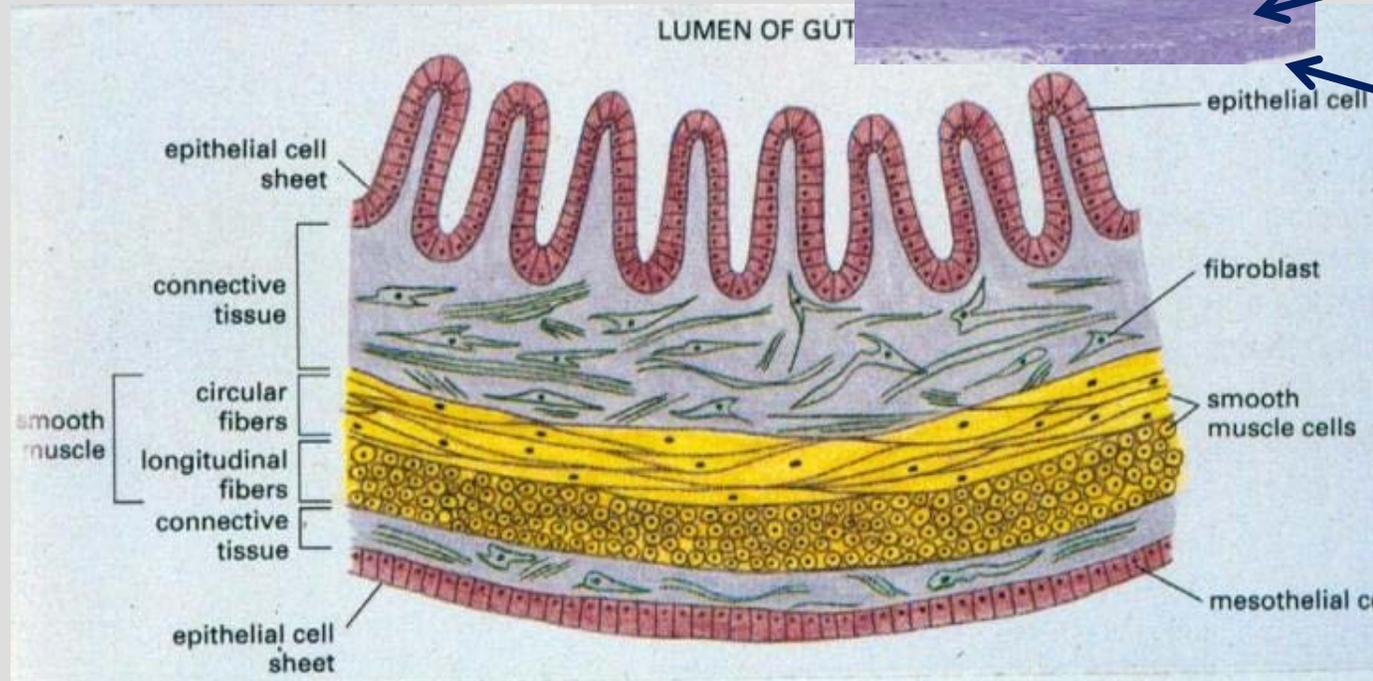
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Epithelium  
Lamina propria

Muscularis mucosa  
Submucosa  
Muscularis externa

Serosa



# General Structure of the Digestive Tract

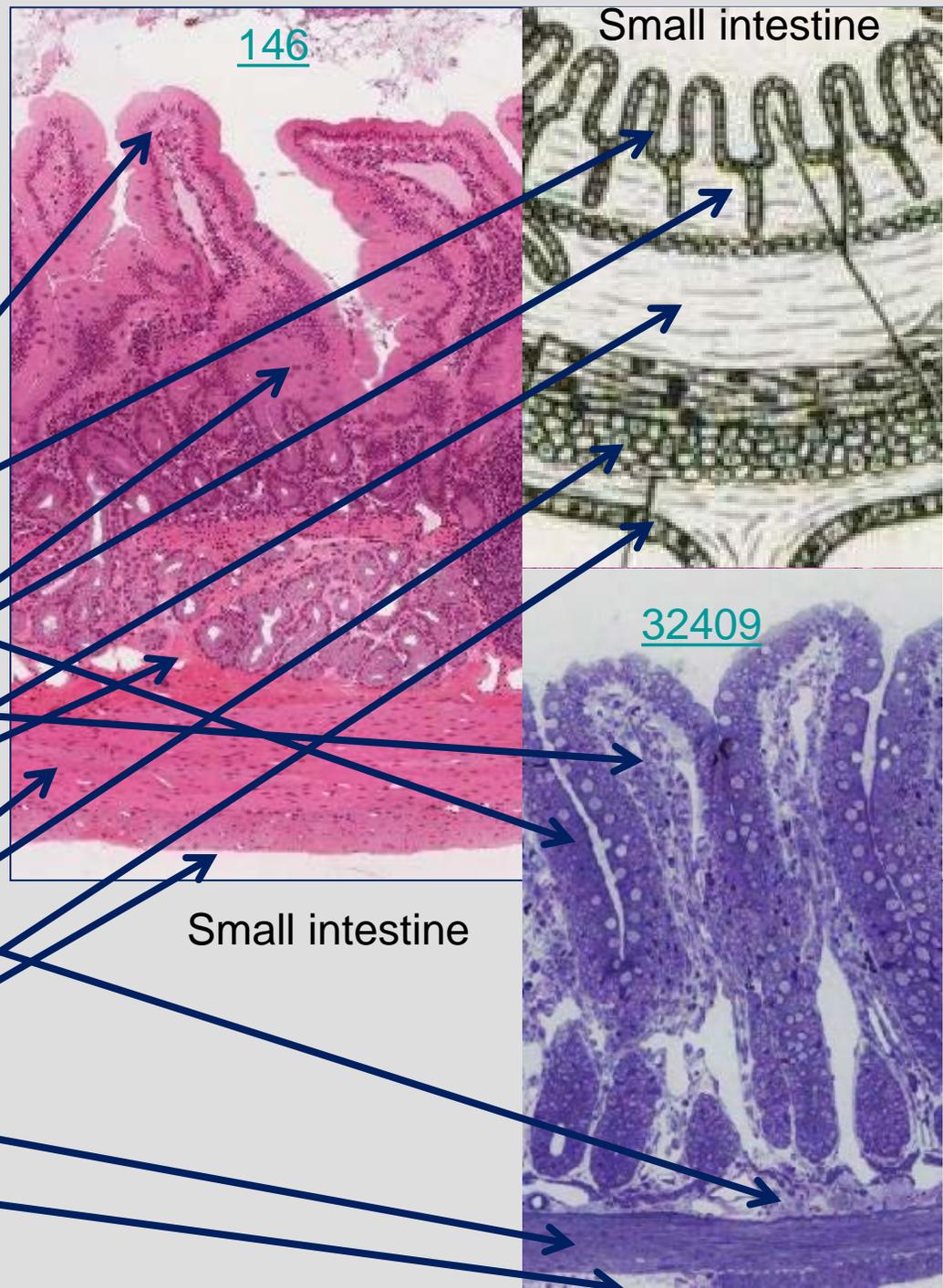
**Epithelium**

**Lamina propria**

**Submucosa**

**Muscularis externa**

**Serosa**



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# General Structure of the Digestive Tract

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Large intestine

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**Epithelium**

**Lamina propria**

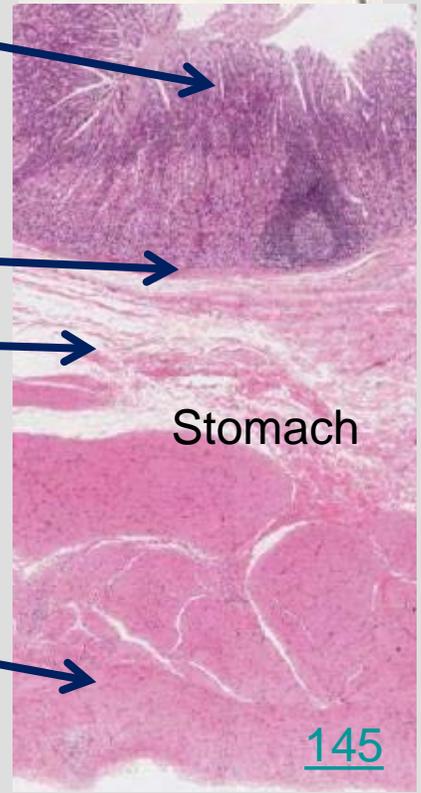
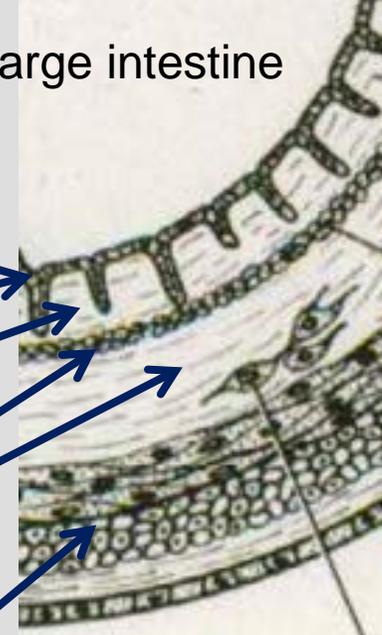
**Muscularis mucosa**

**Submucosa**

**Muscularis externa**



Large intestine



Stomach

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# Large intestine

Muscularis externa

Mesothelium

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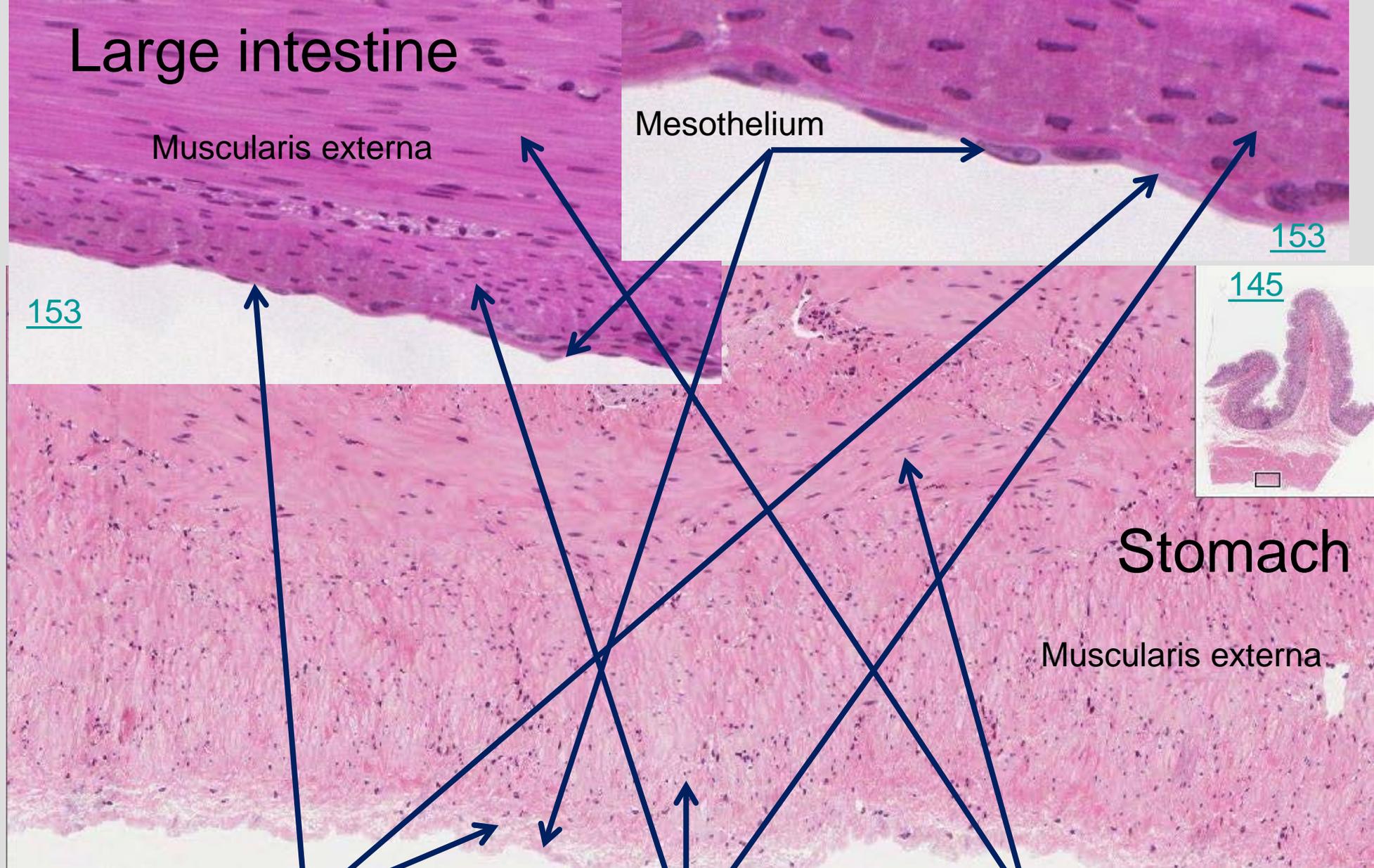
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# Stomach

Muscularis externa

Serosa

Inner, thicker circular layer  
Outer longitudinal layer of the muscularis externa



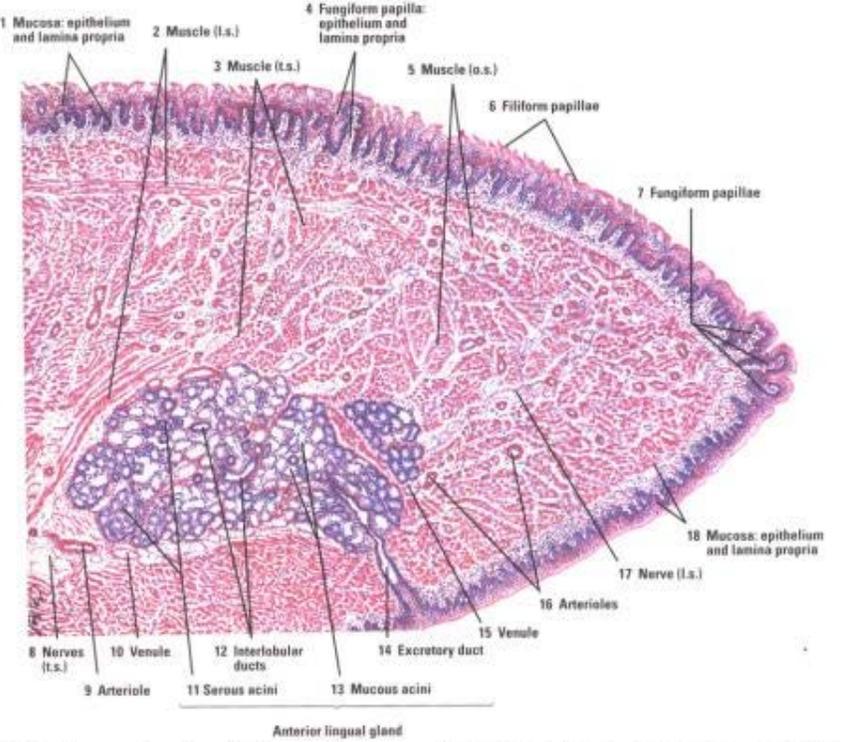
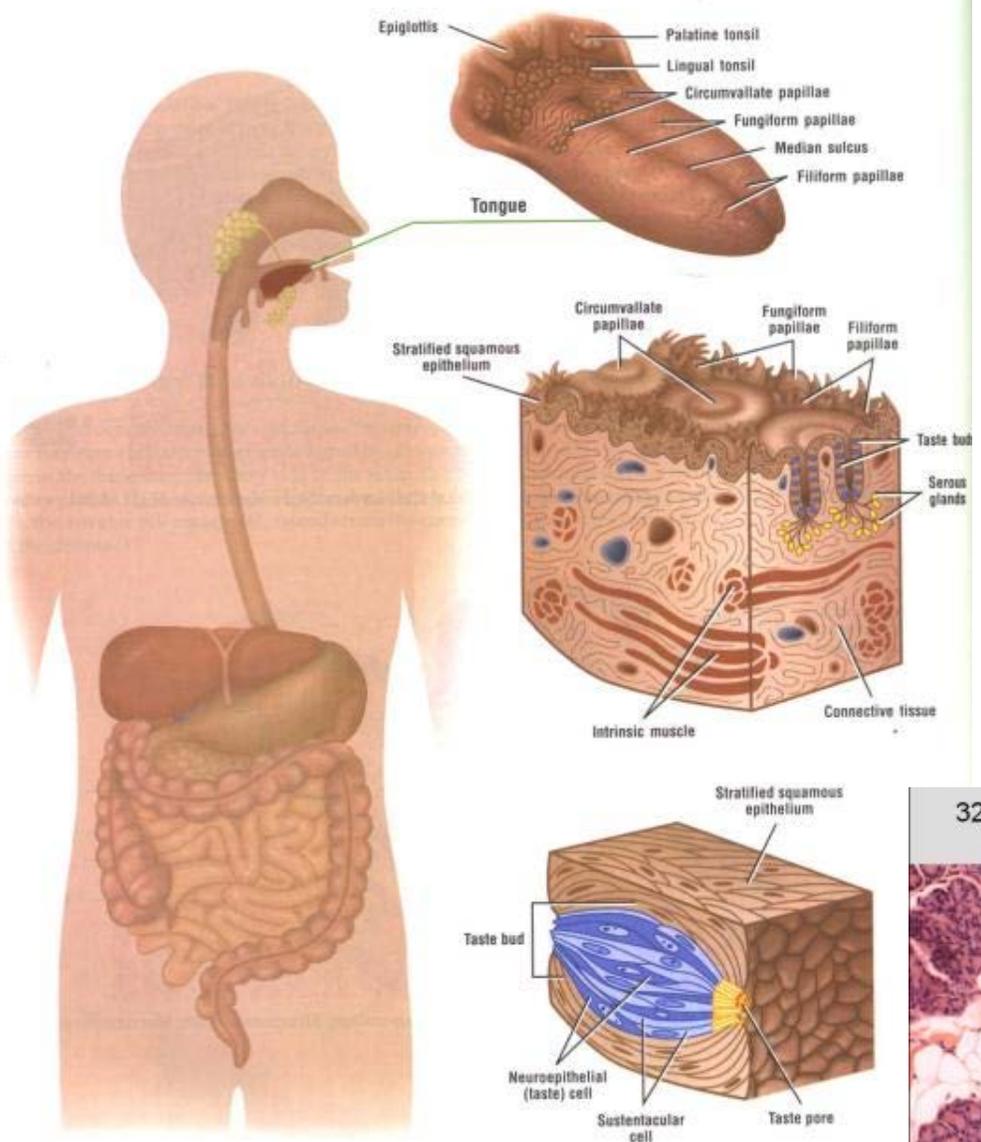
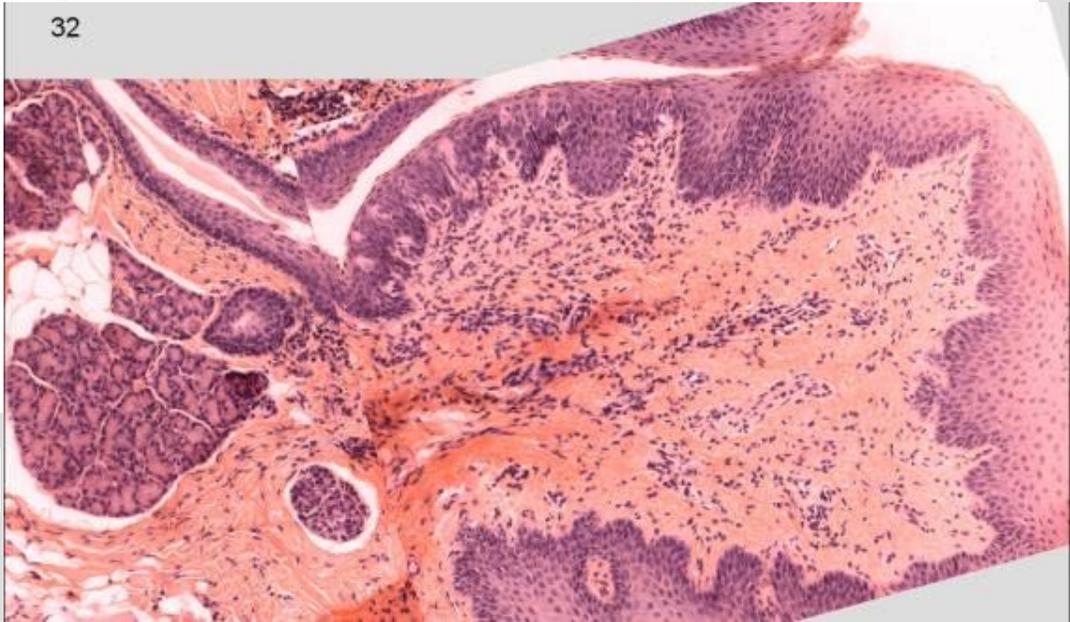
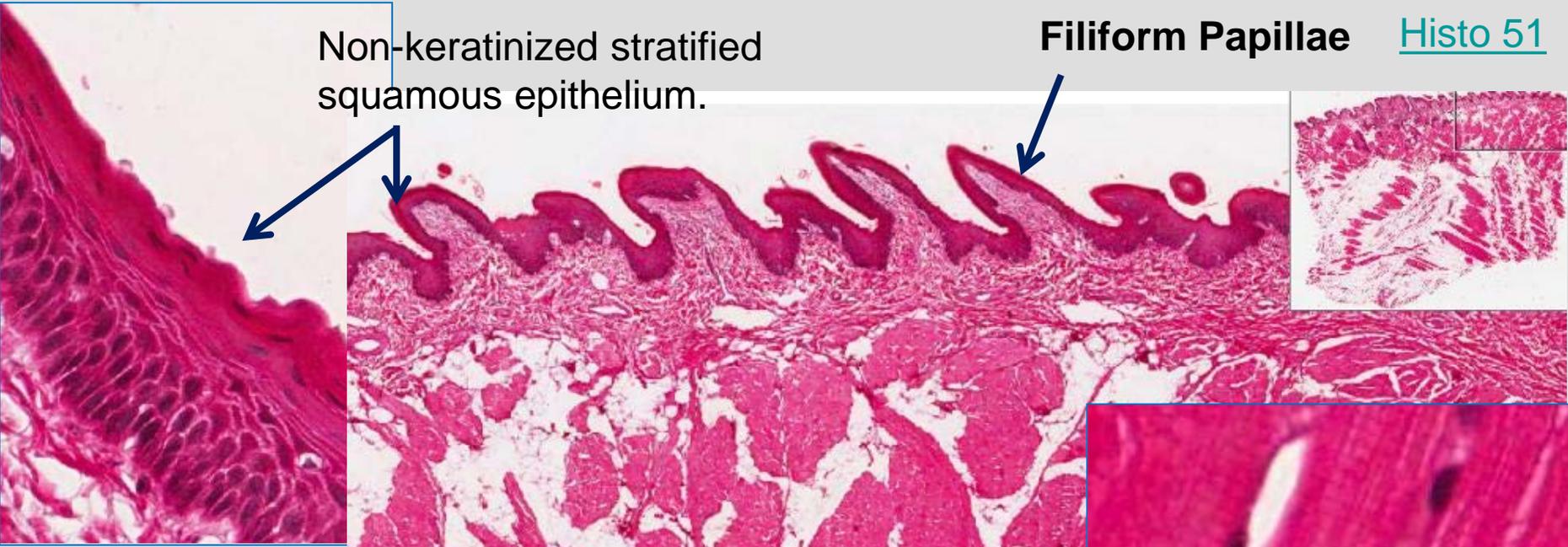


Fig. 10-2 Tongue: Apex (longitudinal section, panoramic view). Stain: hematoxylin-eosin. Low magnification.



Non-keratinized stratified squamous epithelium.

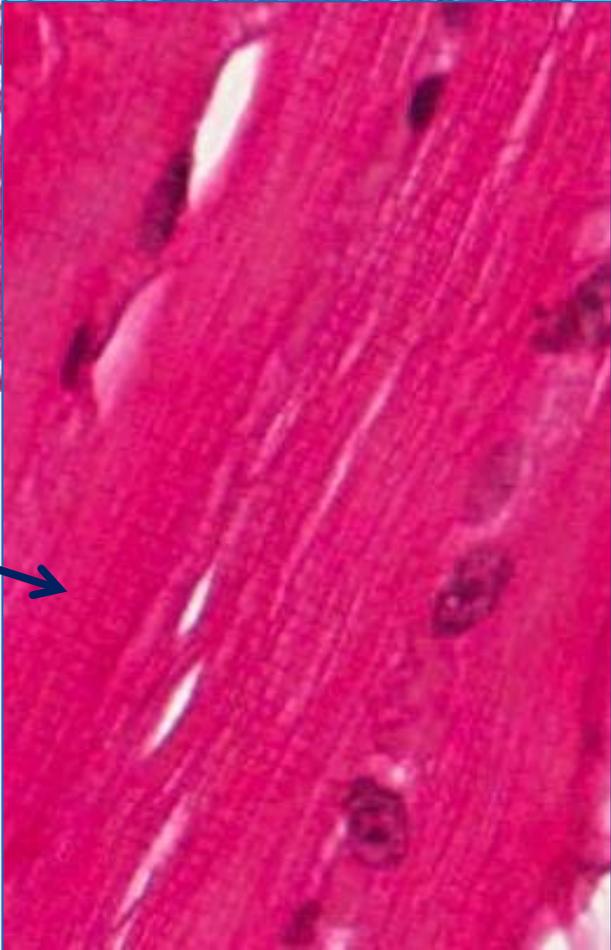
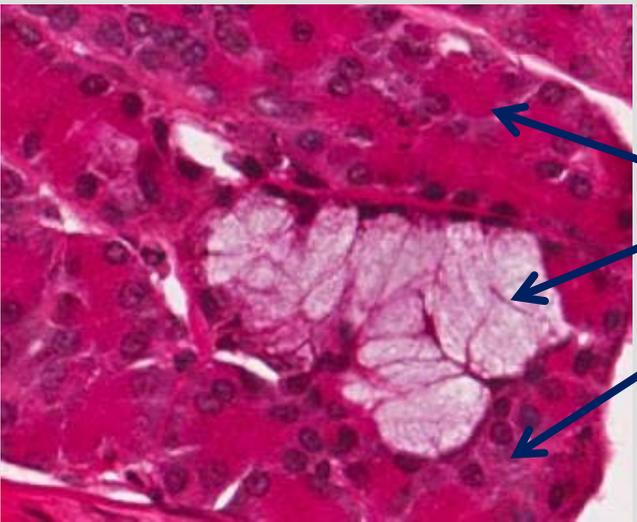
Filiform Papillae



Skeletal muscle,



Mucus and Serous glands,



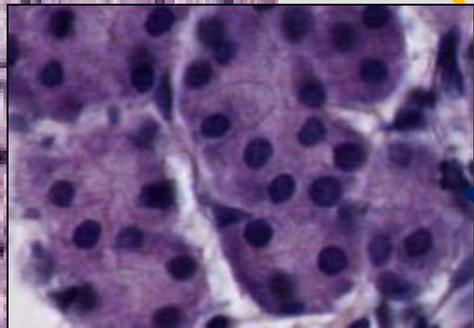
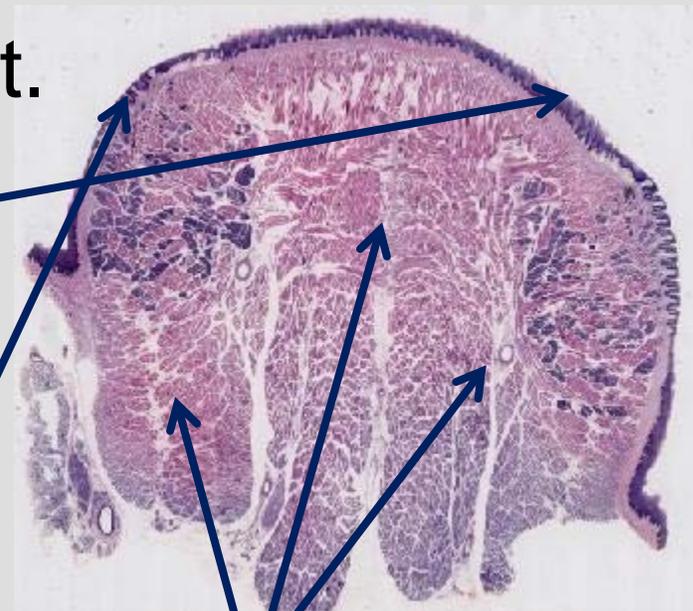
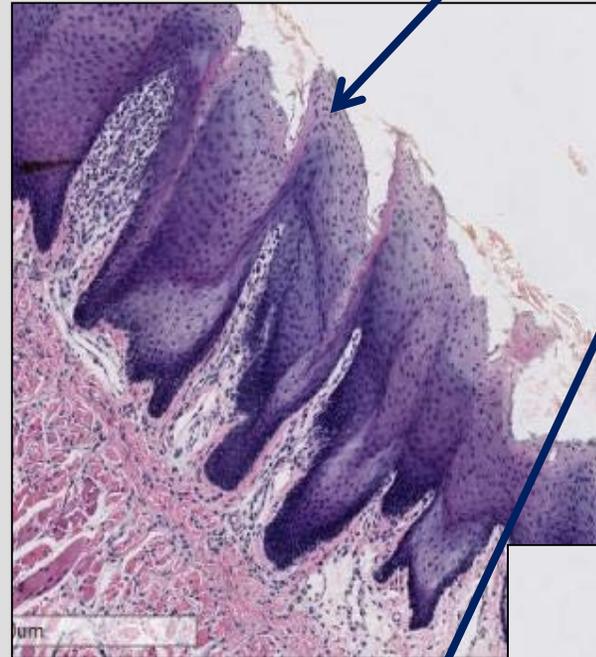
# FILIFORM PAPILLAE

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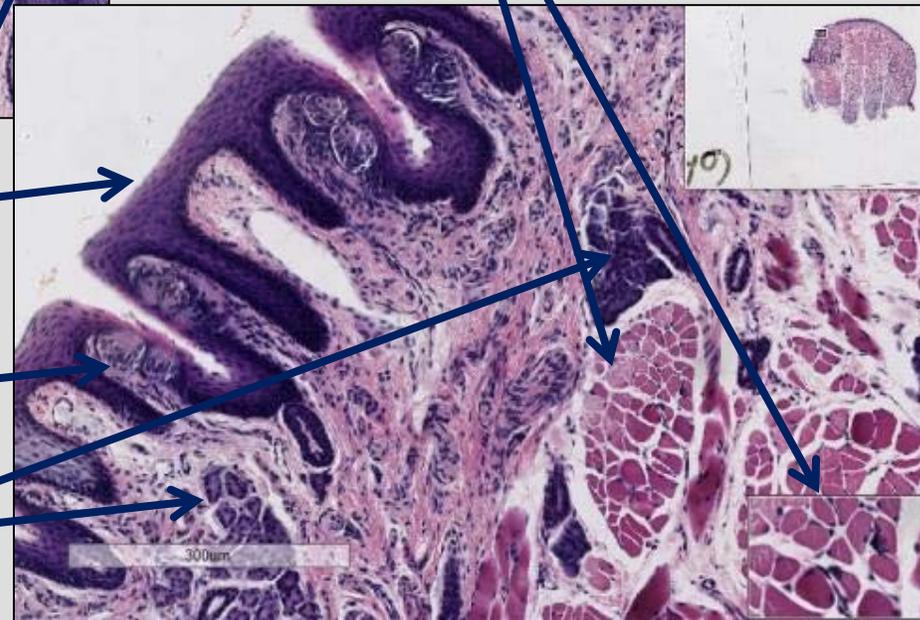


Figure 23–6. Scanning electron micrograph of the filiform papillae of rabbit tongue. (Micrograph courtesy of F. Fujita.)

# Slide #12 (1101). Tongue, rabbit.



Foliate papillae that possess Taste buds



Serous glands

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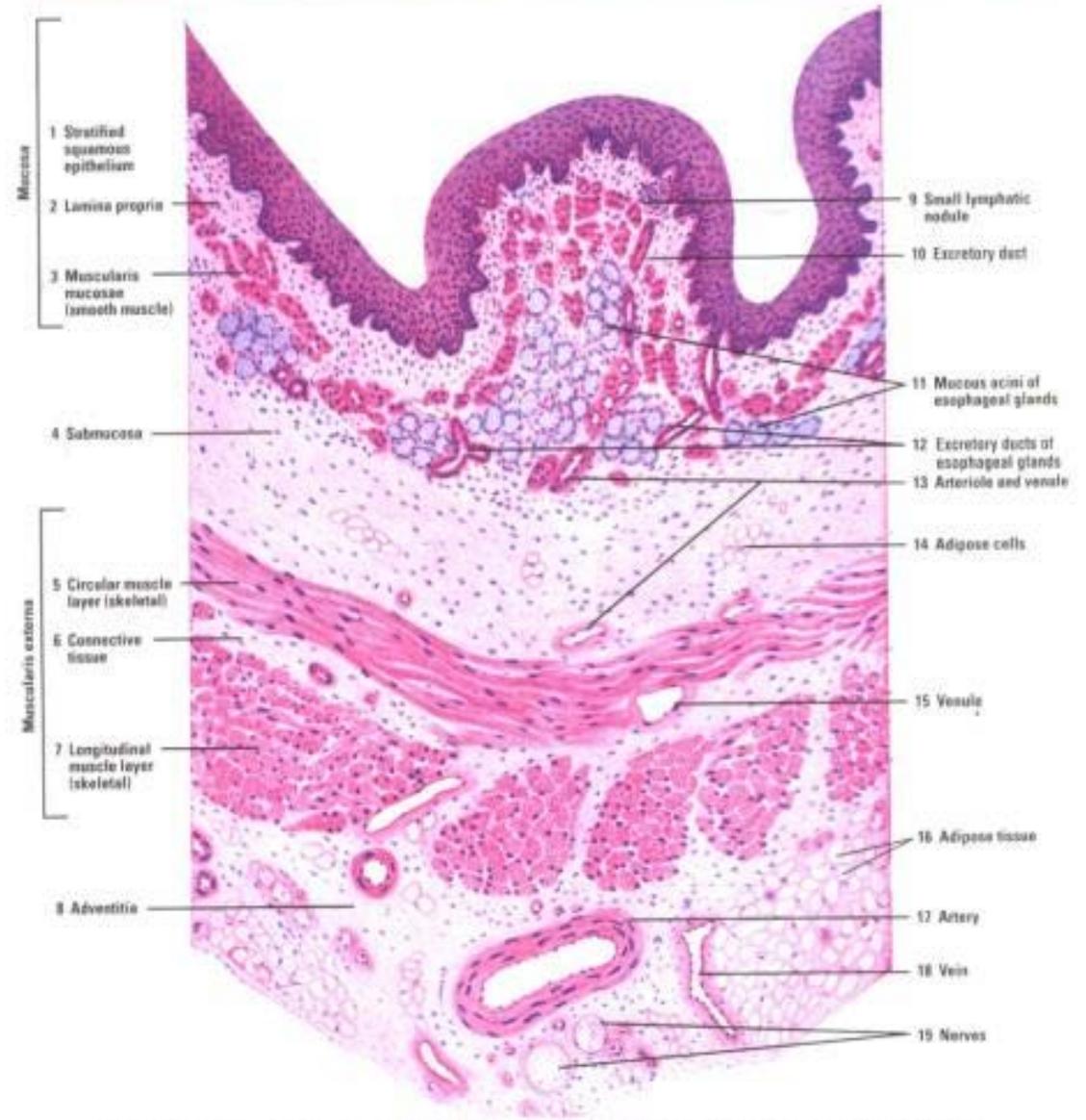
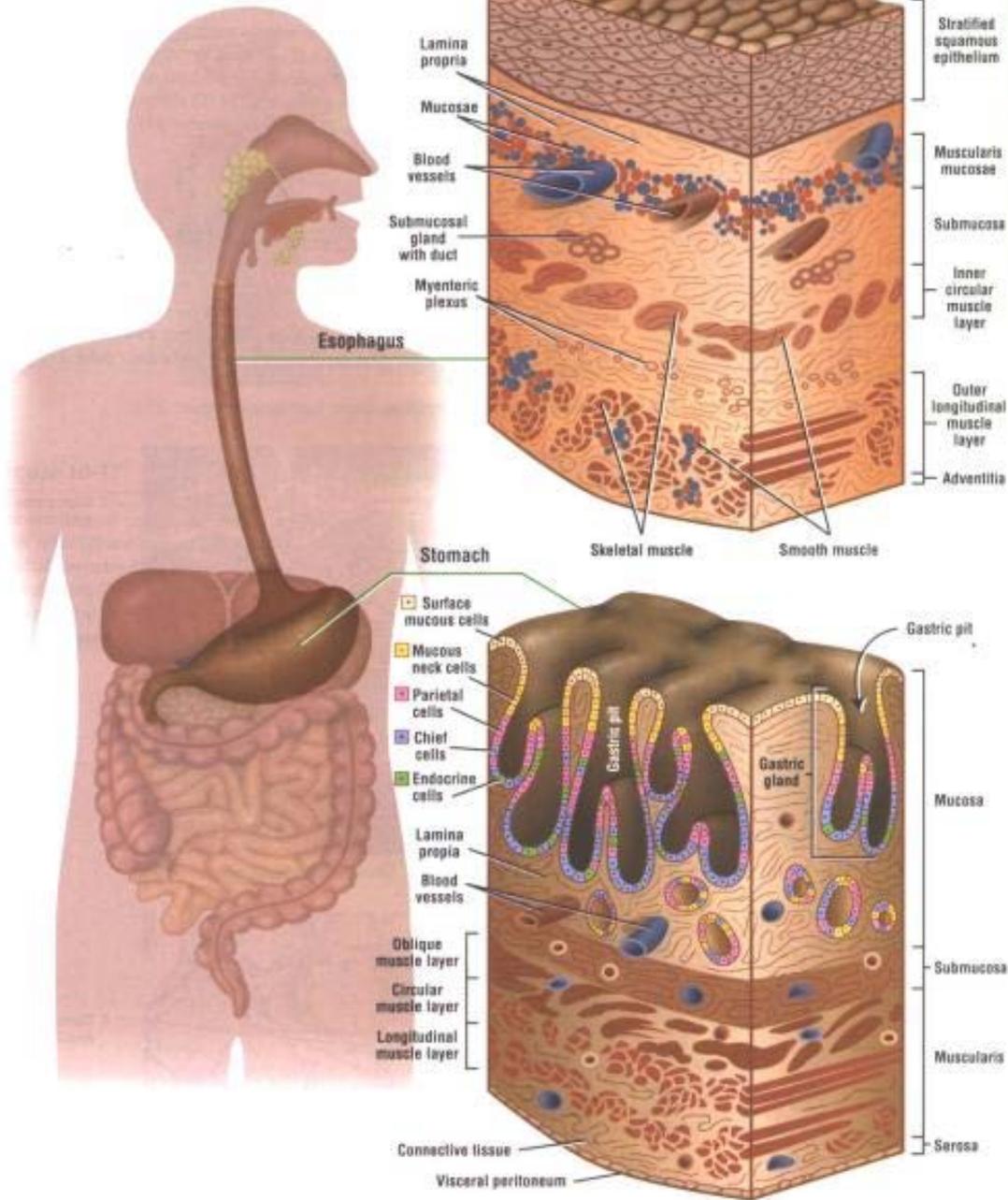
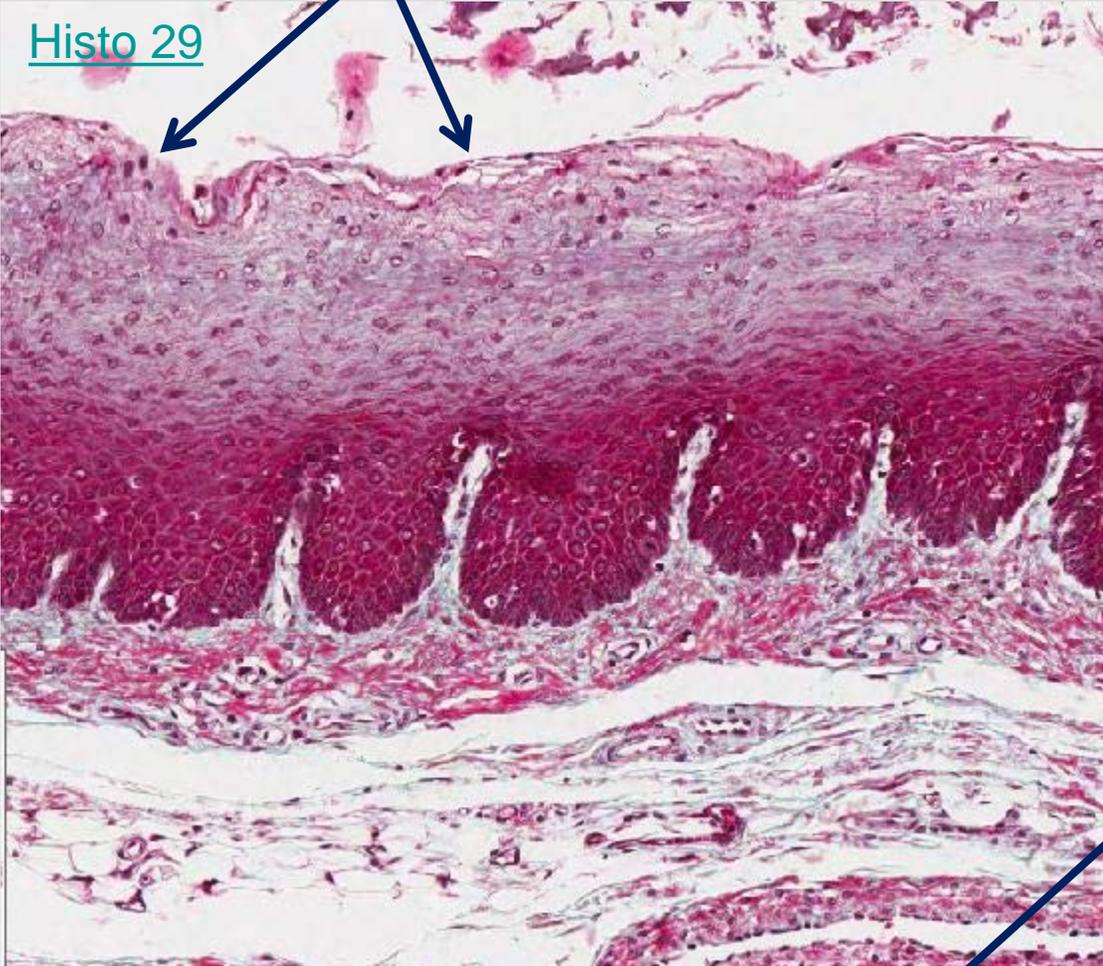


Fig. 11-1 Upper Esophagus: Wall (transverse section). Stain: hematoxylin-eosin. Low magnification.

# Esophagus

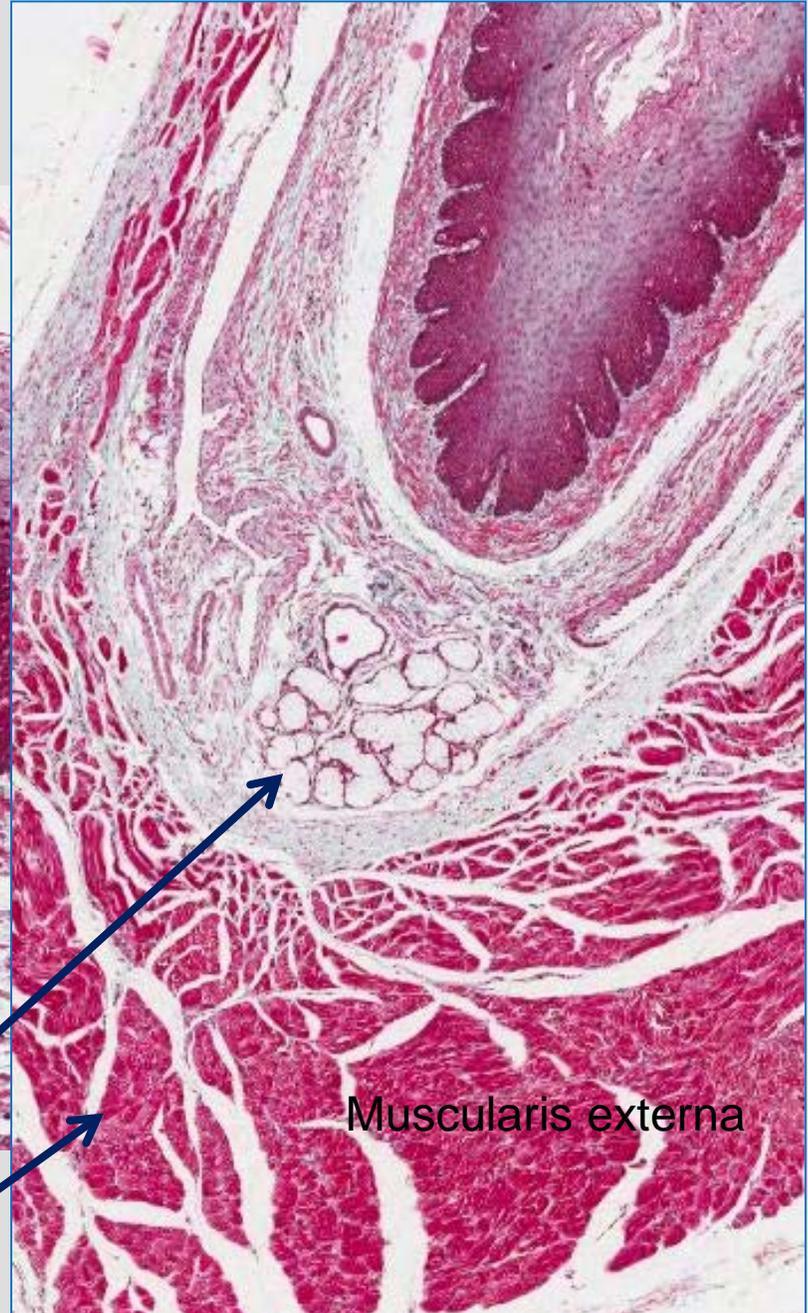
Non-keratinized stratified squamous epithelium.

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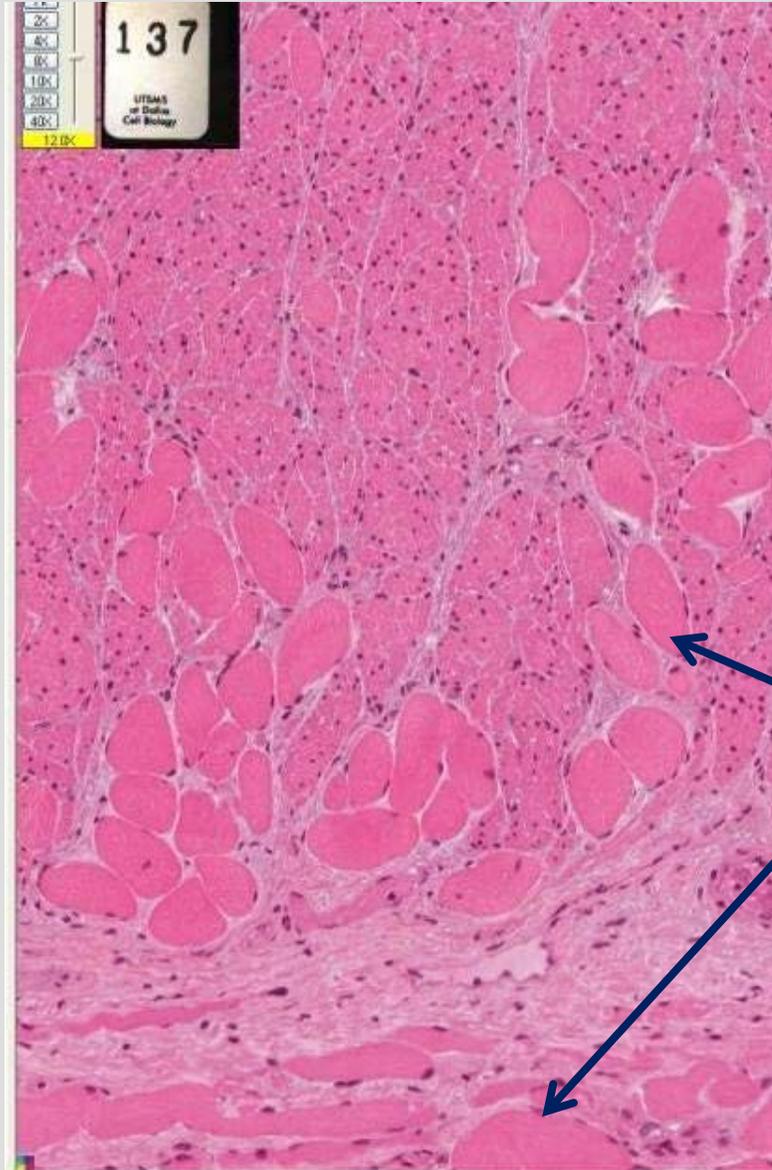
Sub-mucosal glands

Skeletal muscle



Muscularis externa

# 137 Esophagus – skeletal and smooth muscle

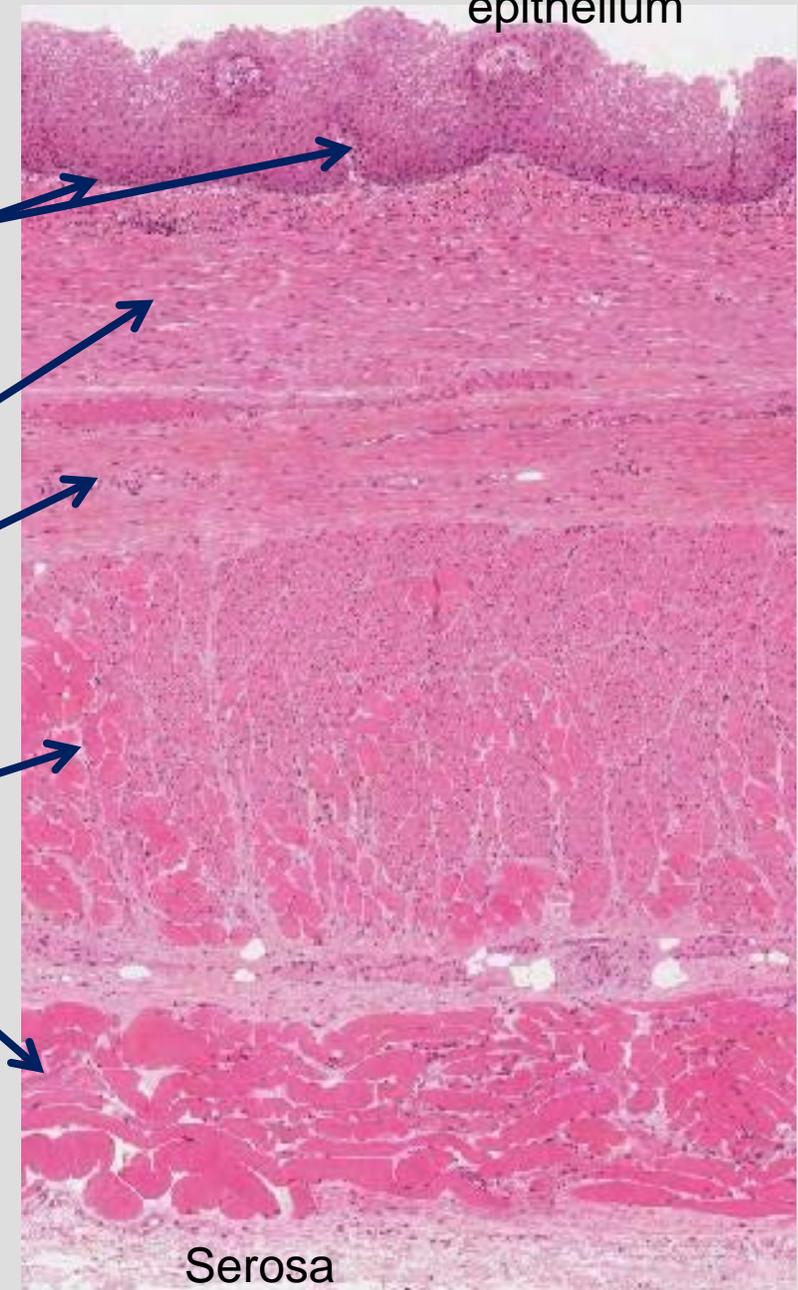


Lamina propria

Muscularis mucosa

Submucosa

Muscularis externa



epithelium

Serosa

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# Esophagus

Sub-mucosal  
Mucus and  
Serous glands

Submucosa

Lamina  
propria

Muscularis  
mucosa

Non-keratinized  
stratified squamous  
epithelium

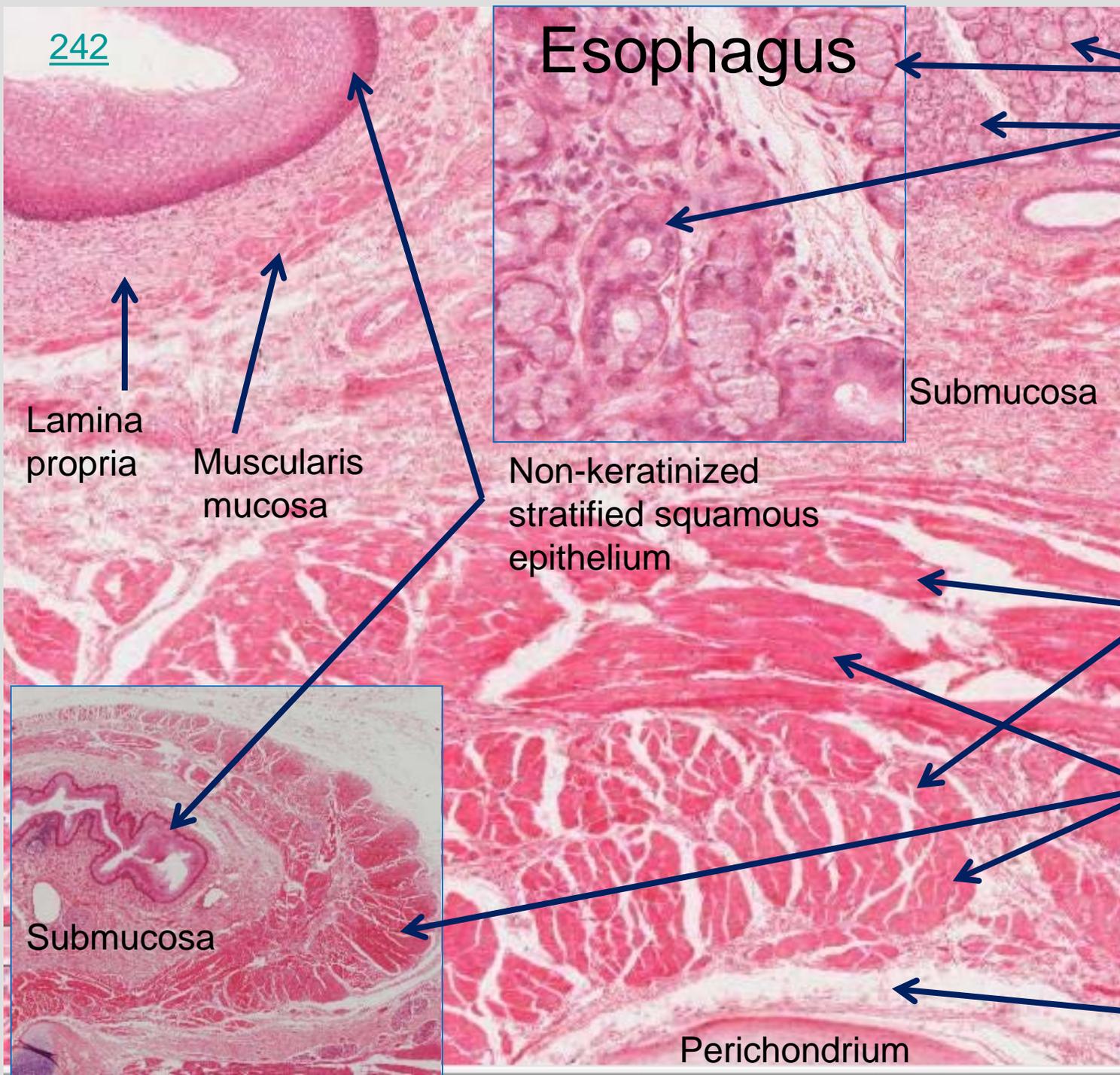
Skeletal muscle,

Muscularis  
externa

If outer layer is  
not covered by  
mesothelium =  
adventitia

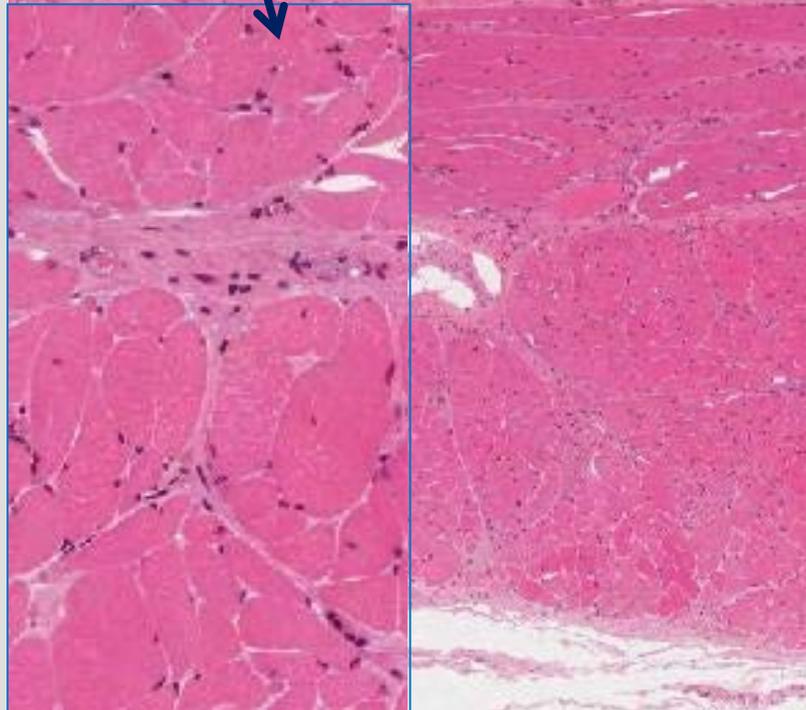
Submucosa

Perichondrium

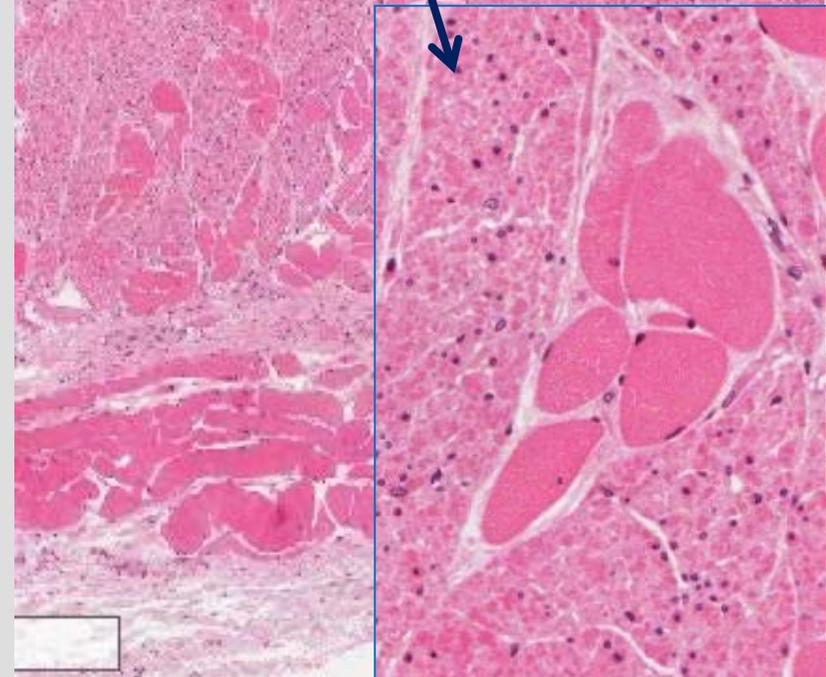


# Esophagus

Muscularis externa of the upper esophagus is composed mostly of skeletal muscle



The muscularis externa in middle to lower esophagus is composed mostly of smooth muscle.



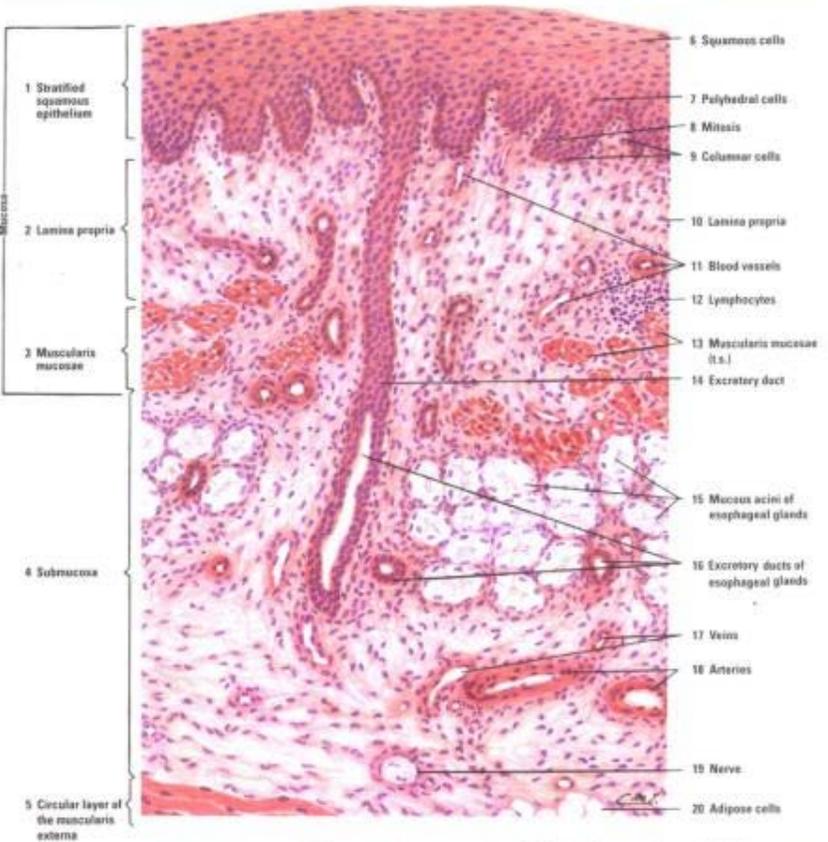


Fig. 11-2 Upper Esophagus: Mucosa and Submucosa (transverse section). Stain: hematoxylin-eosin. Medium magnification.

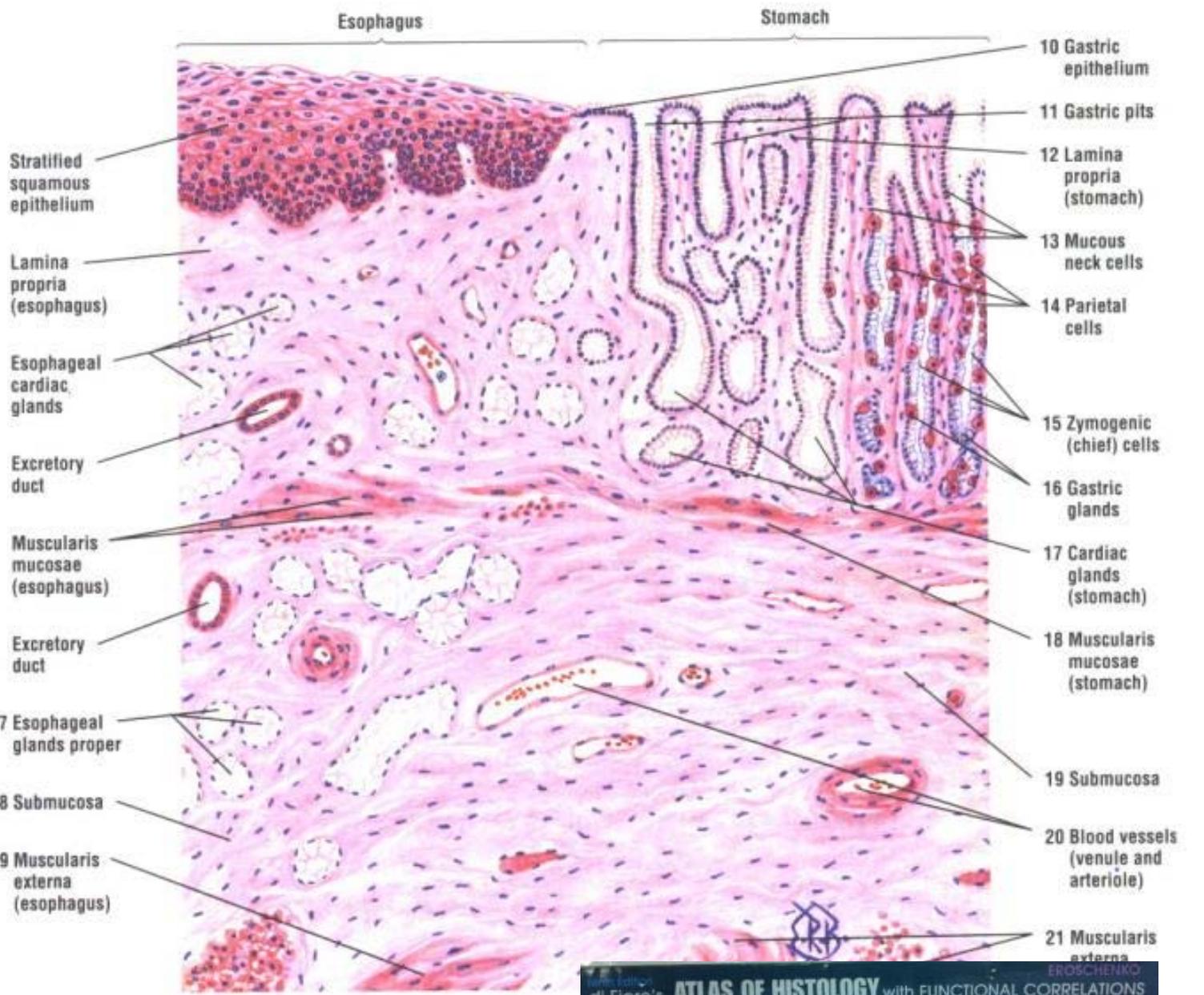
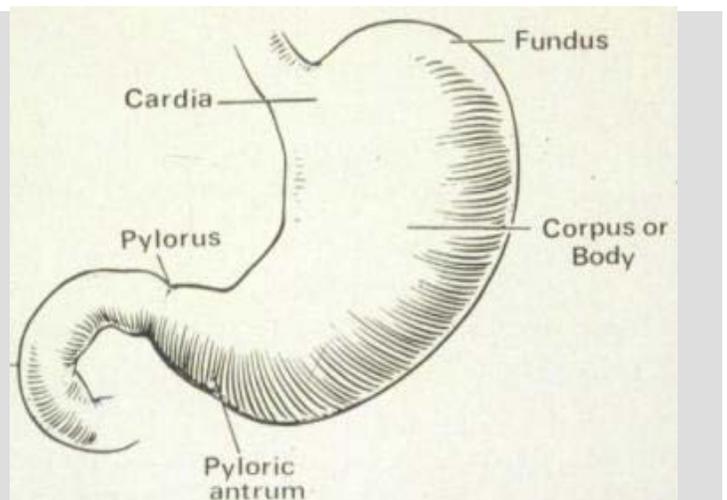
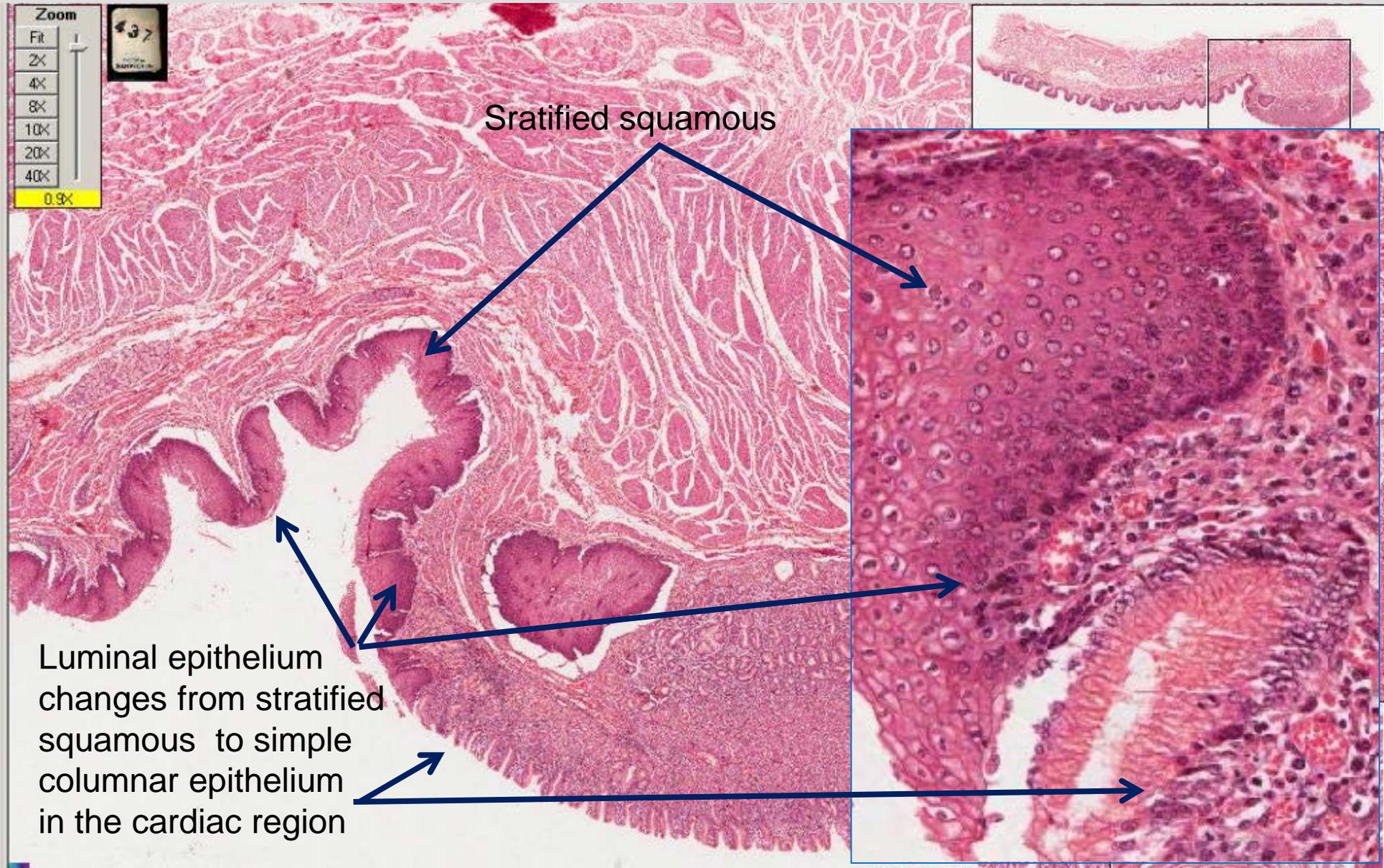


Fig. 11-5 Esophageal-Stomach Junction. Stain: hematoxylin-eosin. Low magnification.

# 437 Cardio-esophageal junction



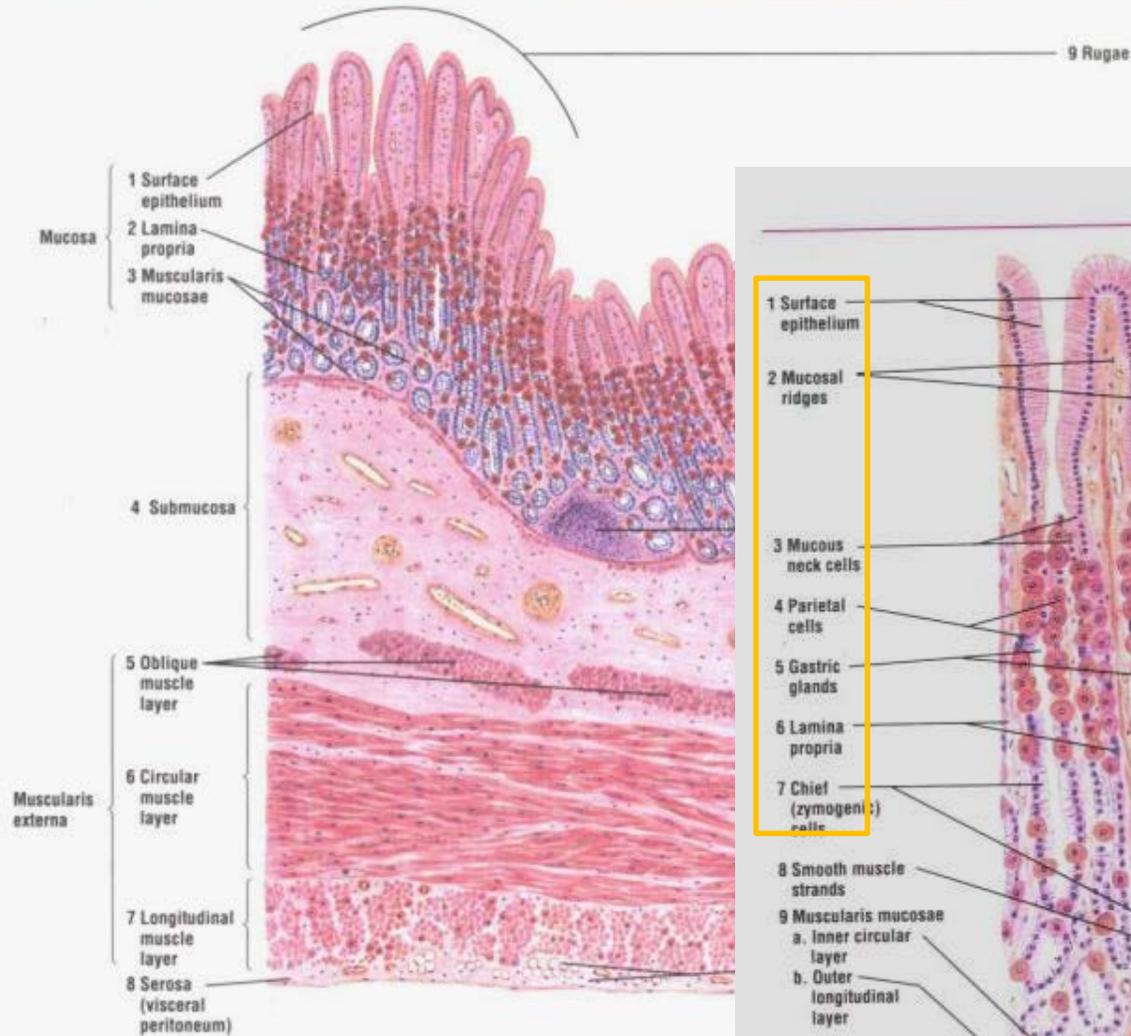


Fig. 11-6 Stomach: Fundus and Body Regions (transverse section)

The stomach have no goblet cells, no brush border on surface cells, and no villi.

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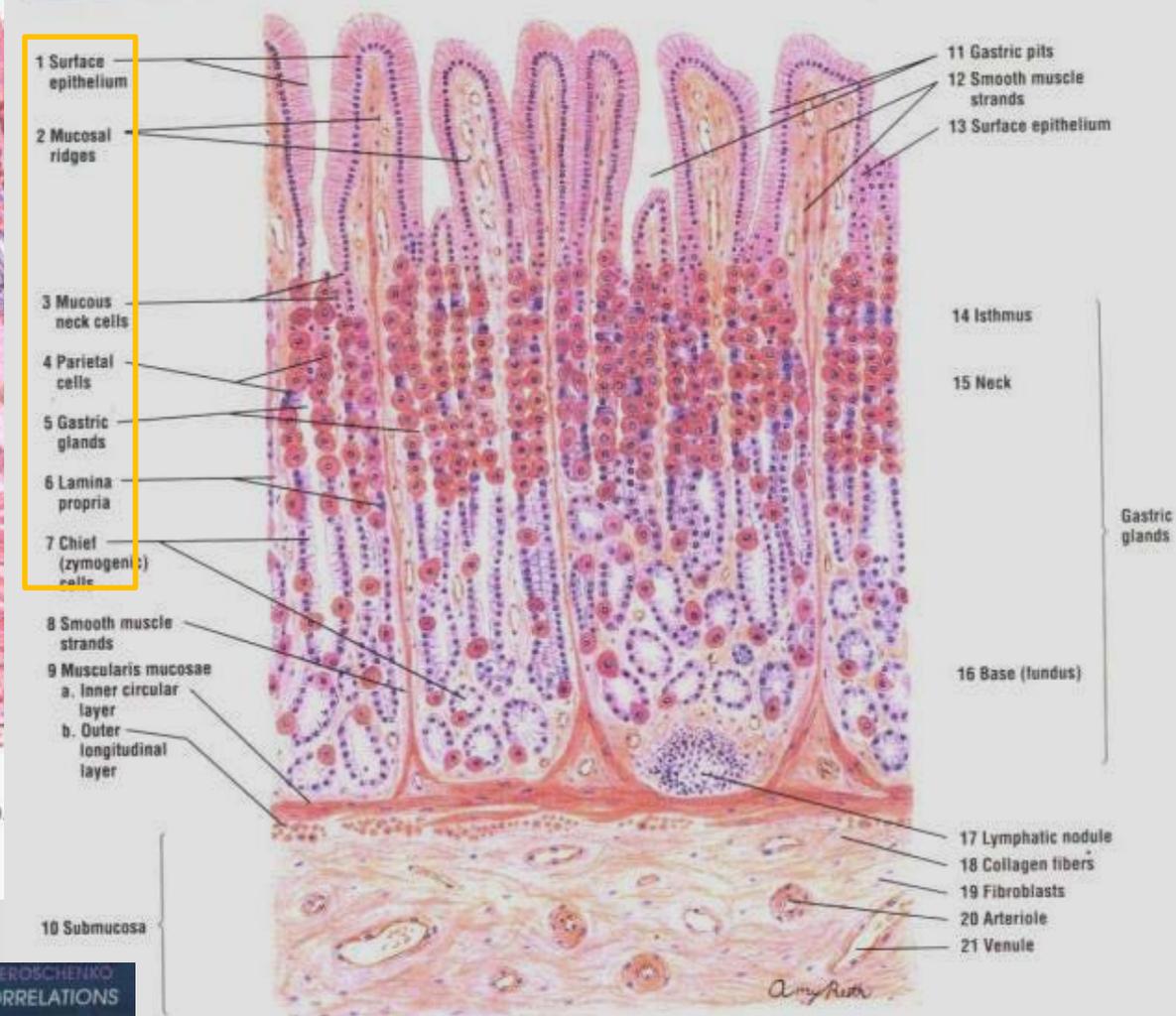
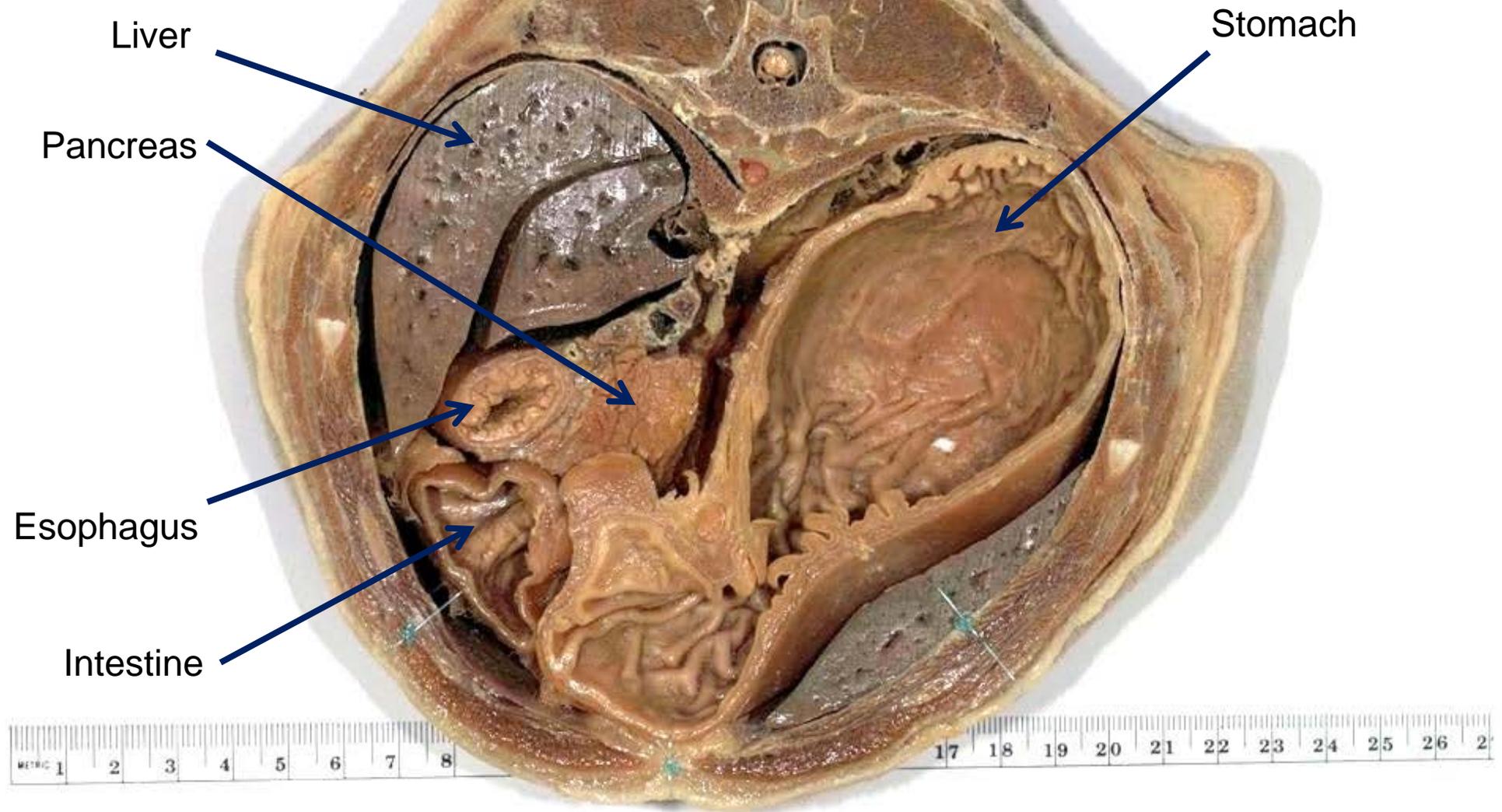
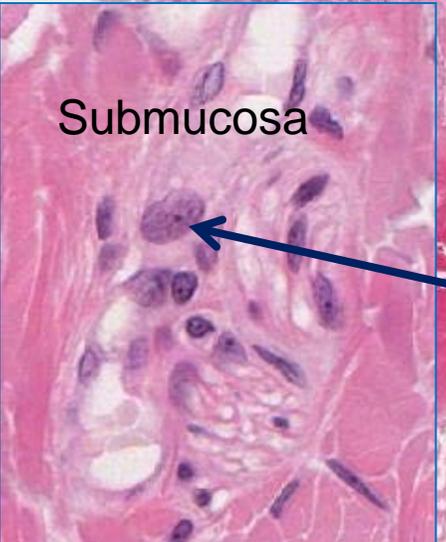
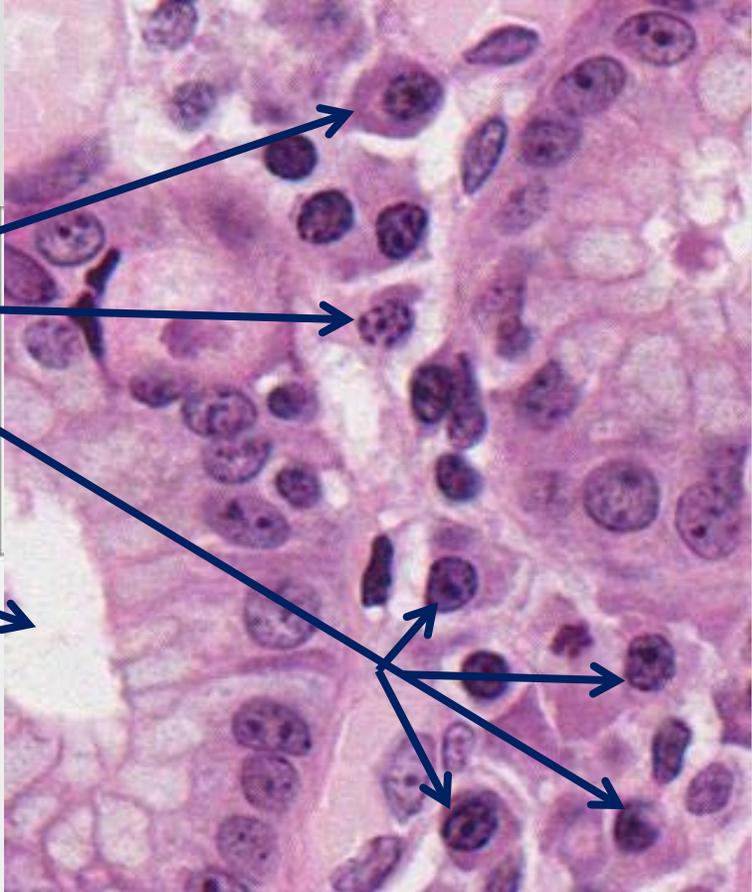
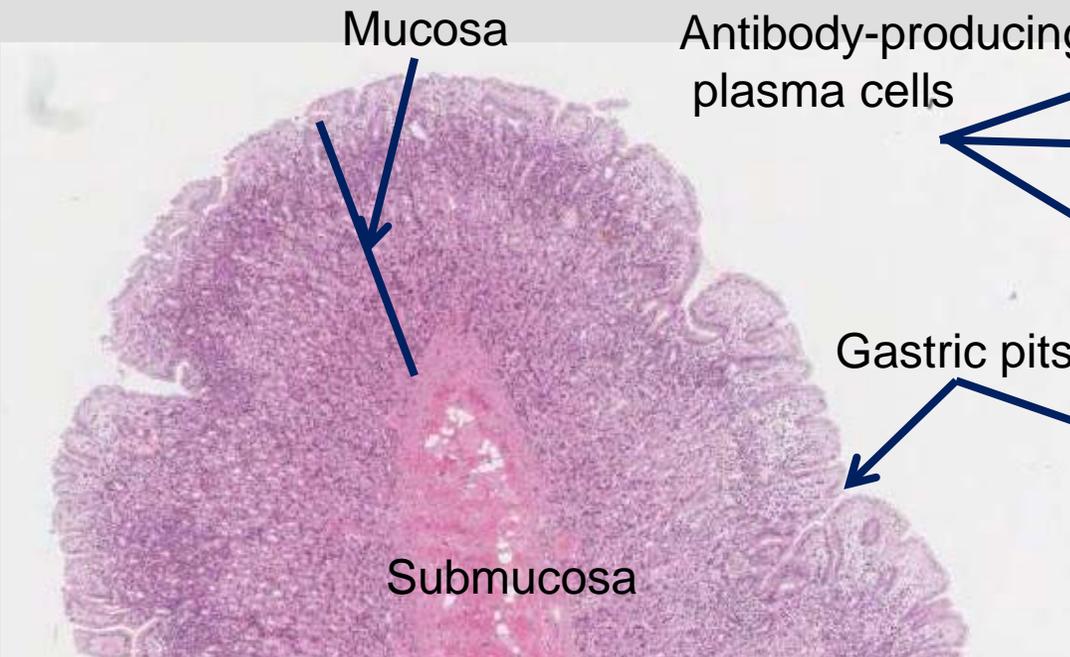


Fig. 11-7 Stomach: Mucosa of the Fundus and Body (transverse section). Stain: hematoxylin-eosin. Medium magnification.

Dog cross section of body

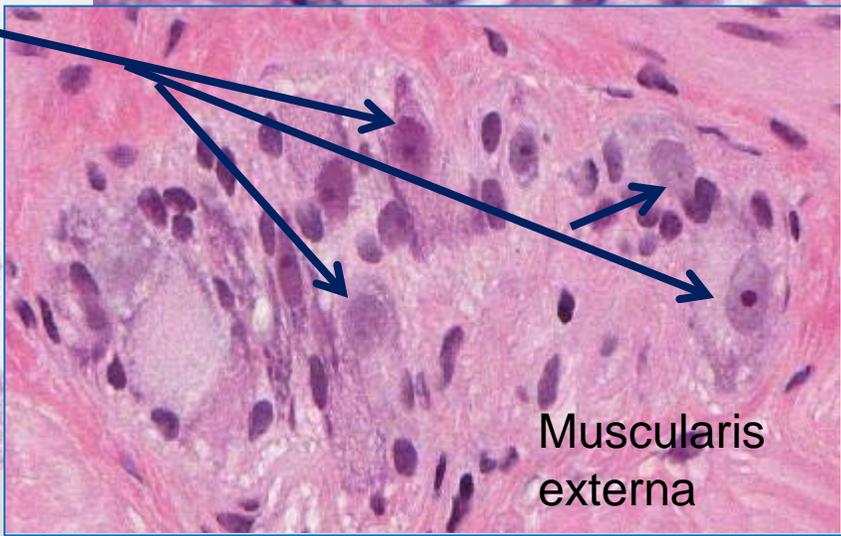


# 145 Fundic stomach

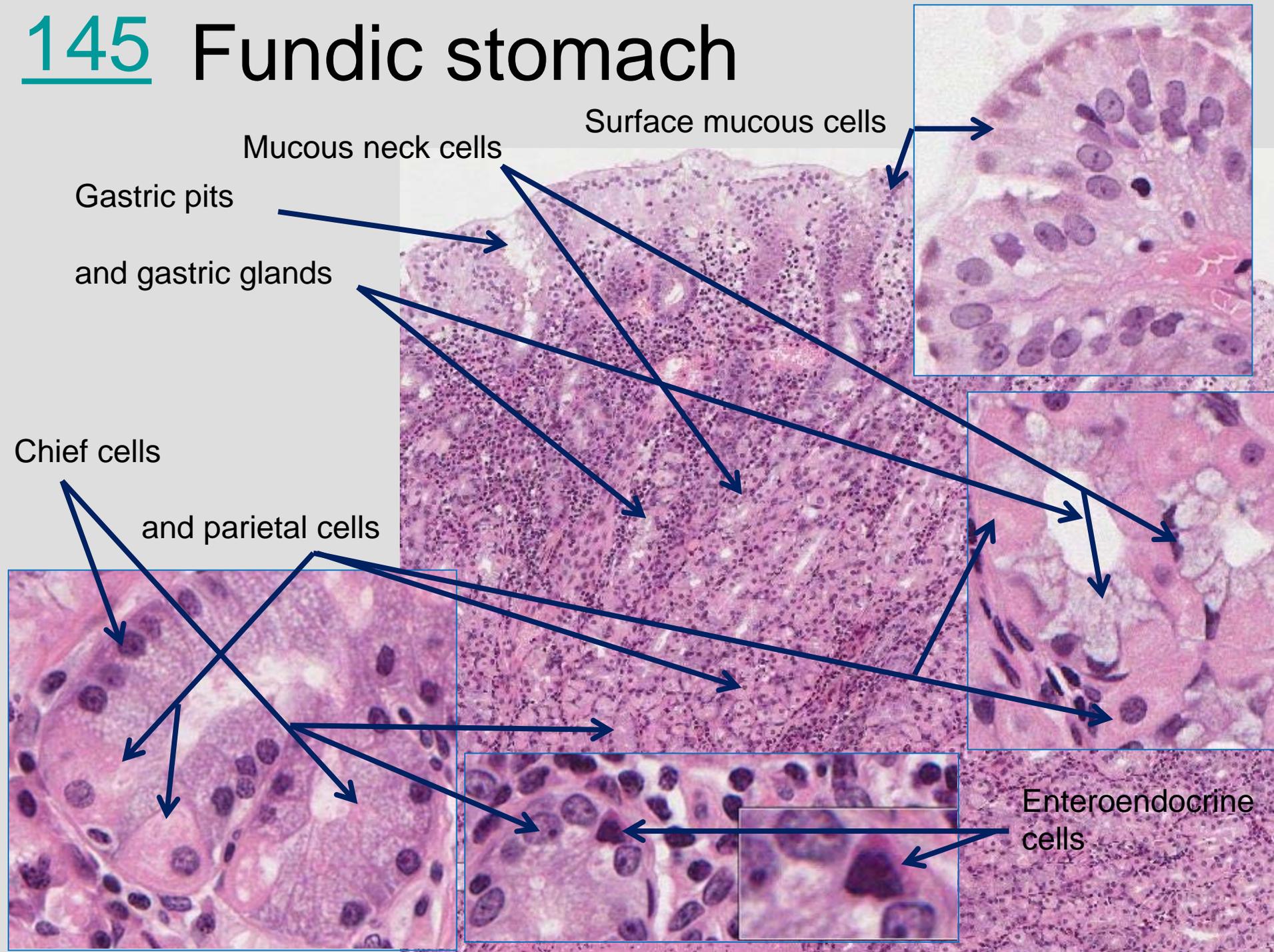


Ganglion cells of the Auerbach's plexus regulate the muscularis externa

Ganglion cells of the Meissner's plexus regulates muscularis mucosa

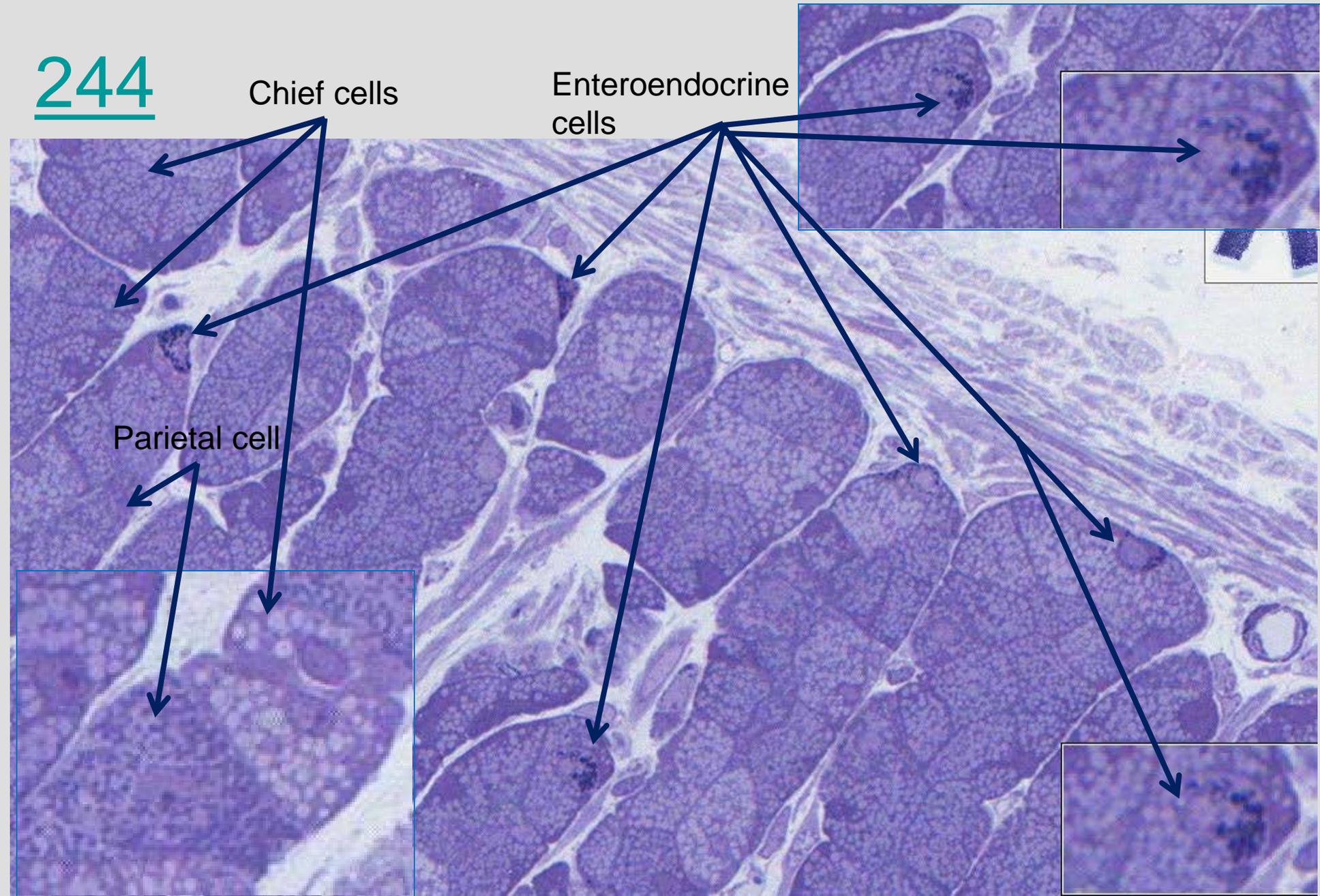


# 145 Fundic stomach



# Mucus neck cells Fundic stomach, rabbit (toluidine blue)

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Chief cells

Enteroendocrine cells

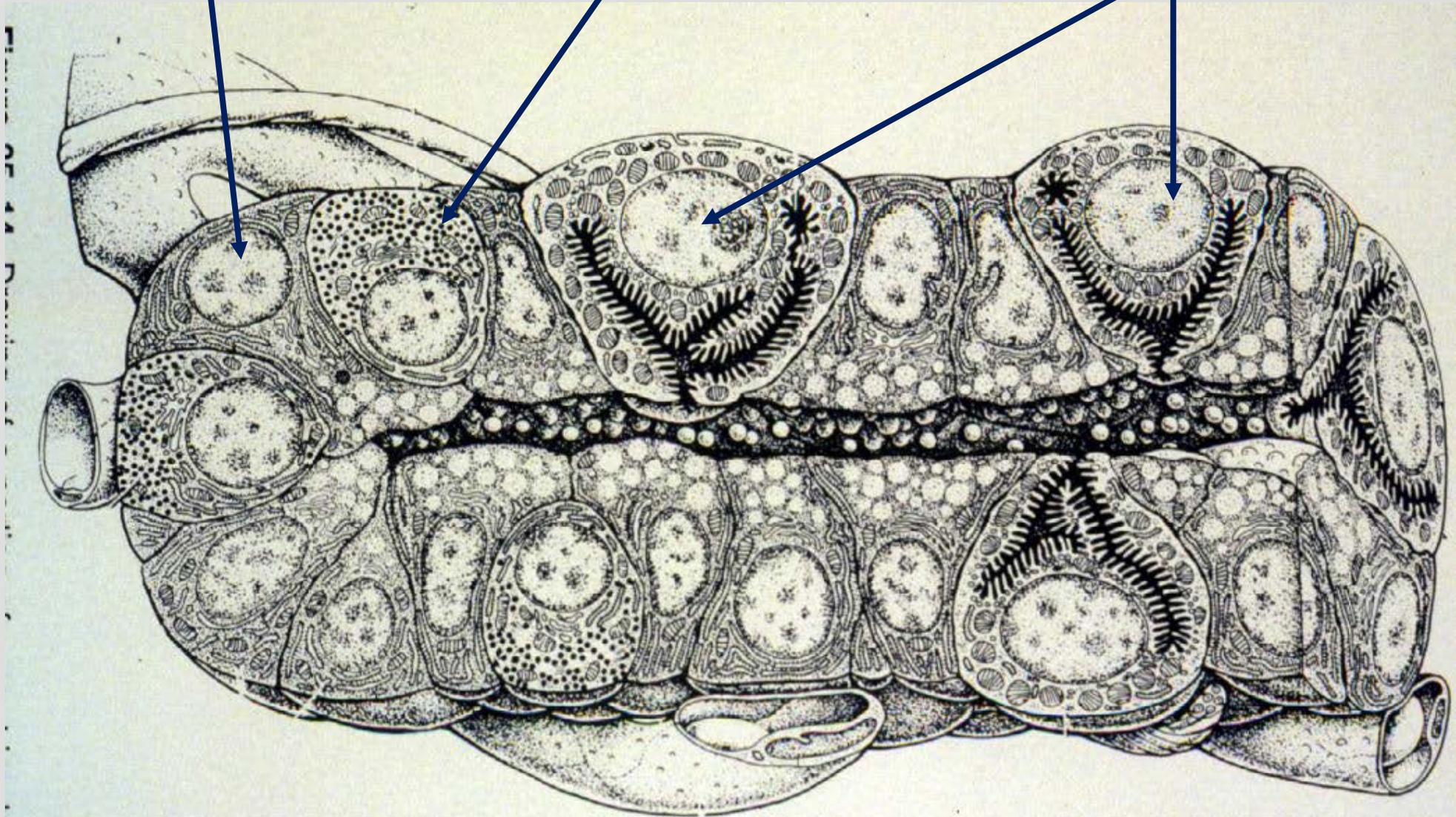
Parietal cell

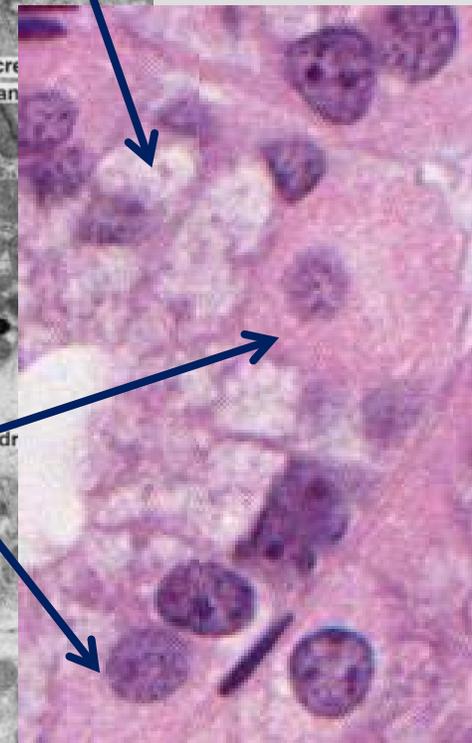
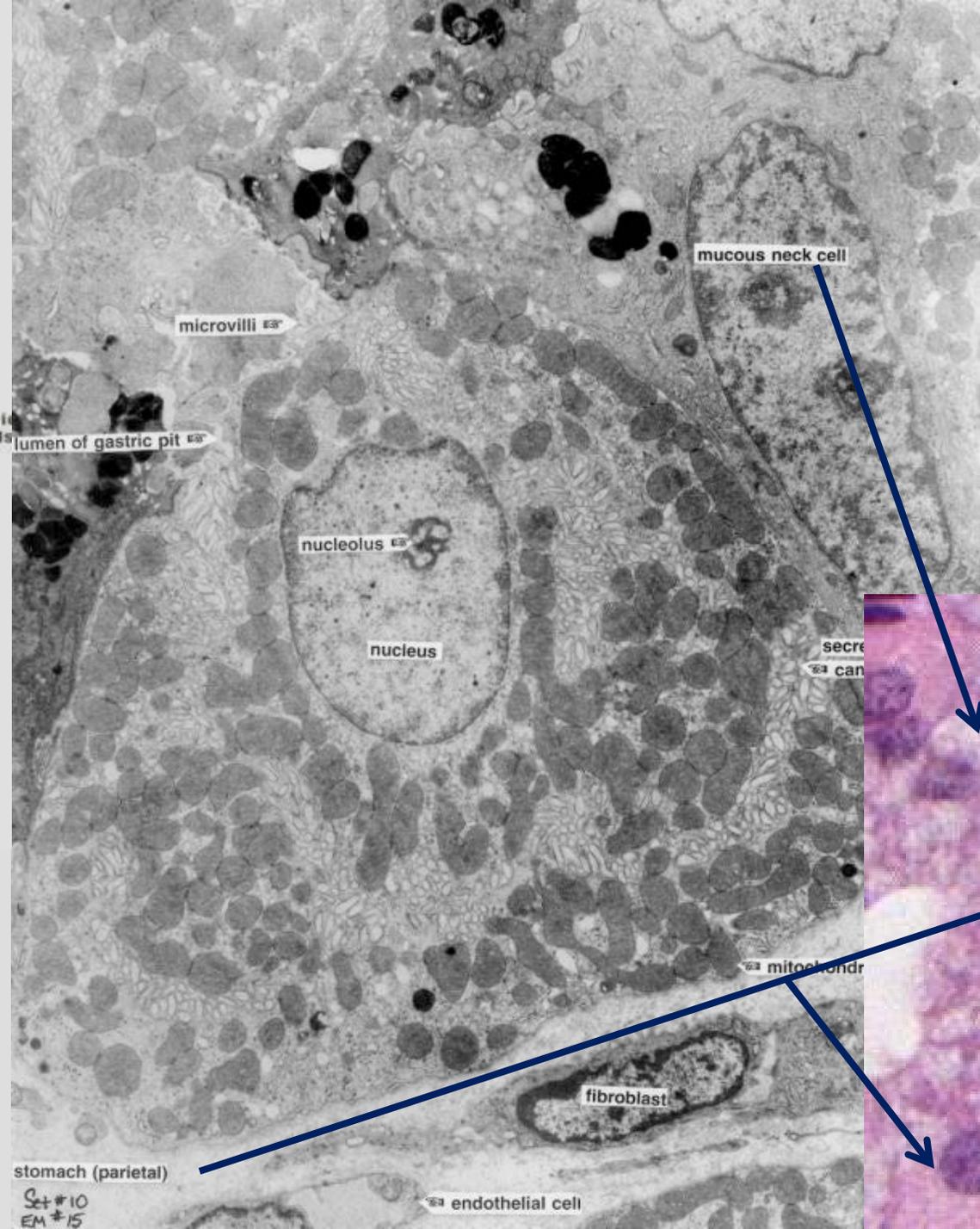
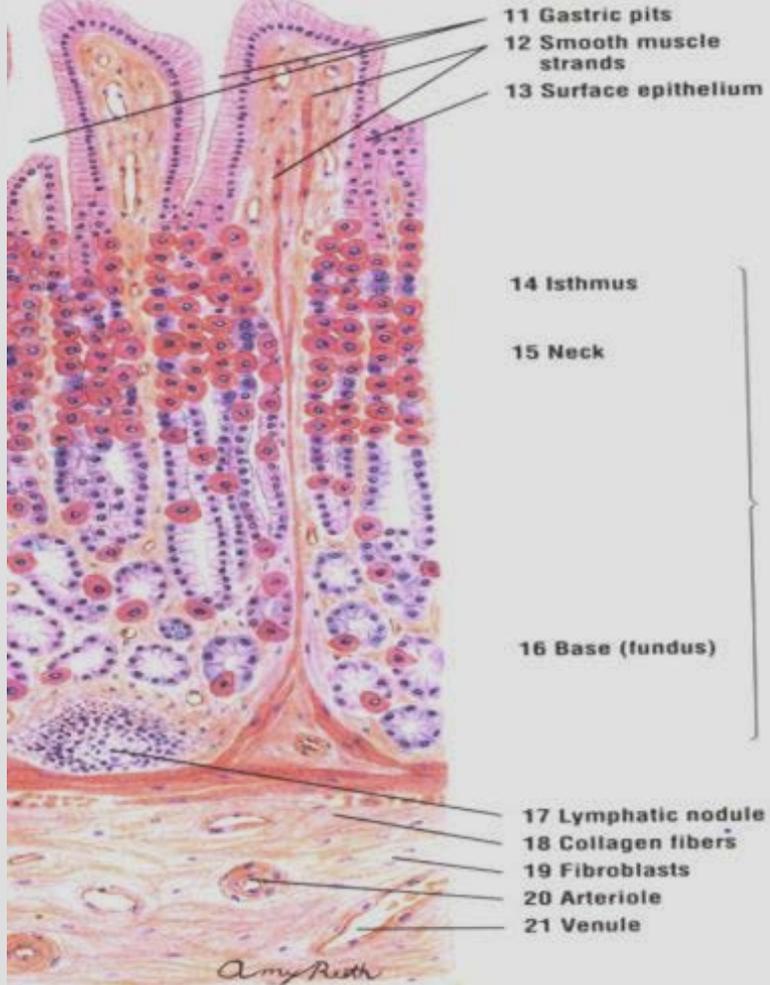
Chief cell

Enteroendocrine cell

Parietal cells

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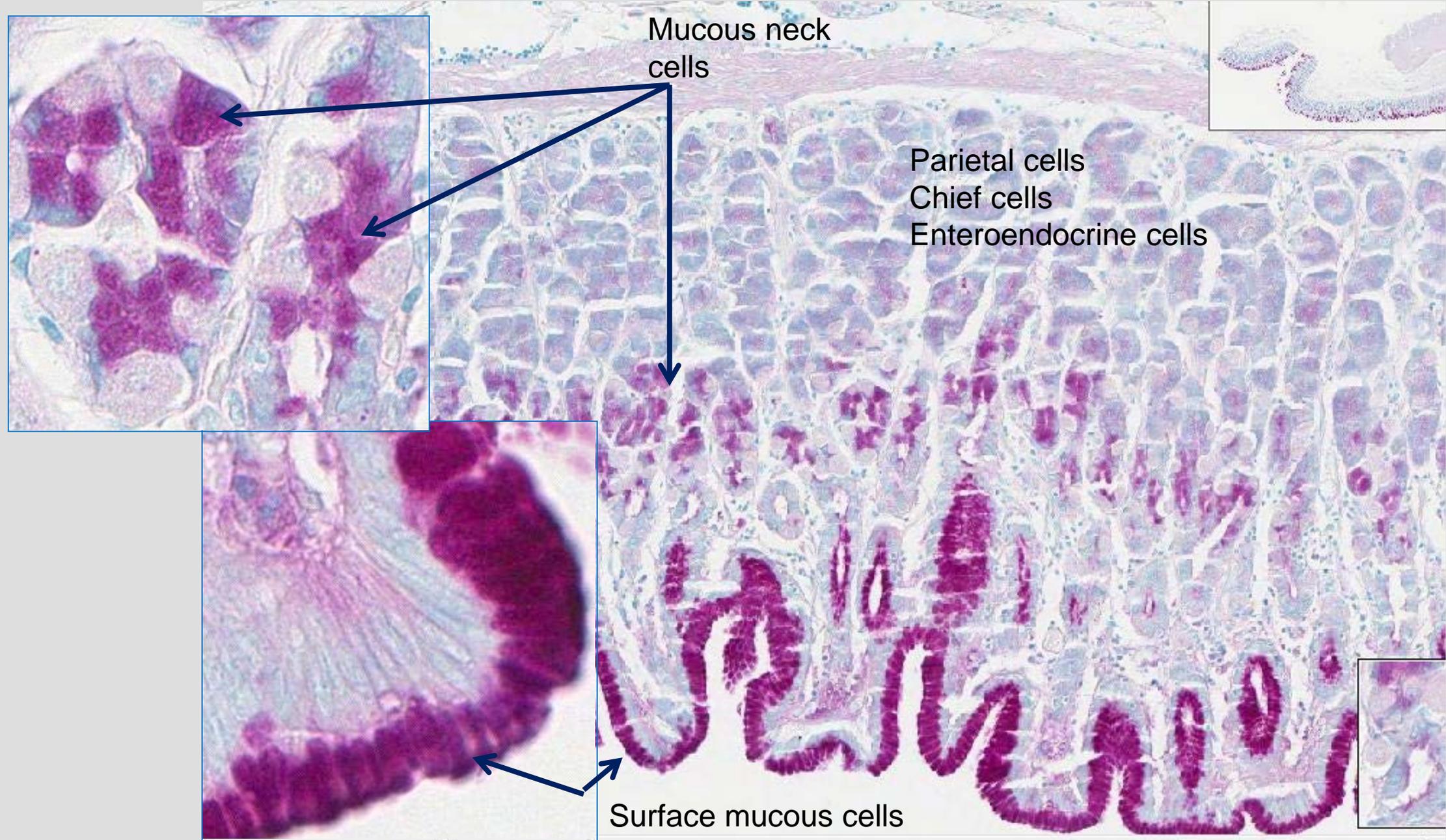




- EM 15 Parietal cell produces
1. HCl
  2. Bicarbonate
  3. **Intrinsic factor** for vitamin B12 absorption by gut: needed in red blood cell formation

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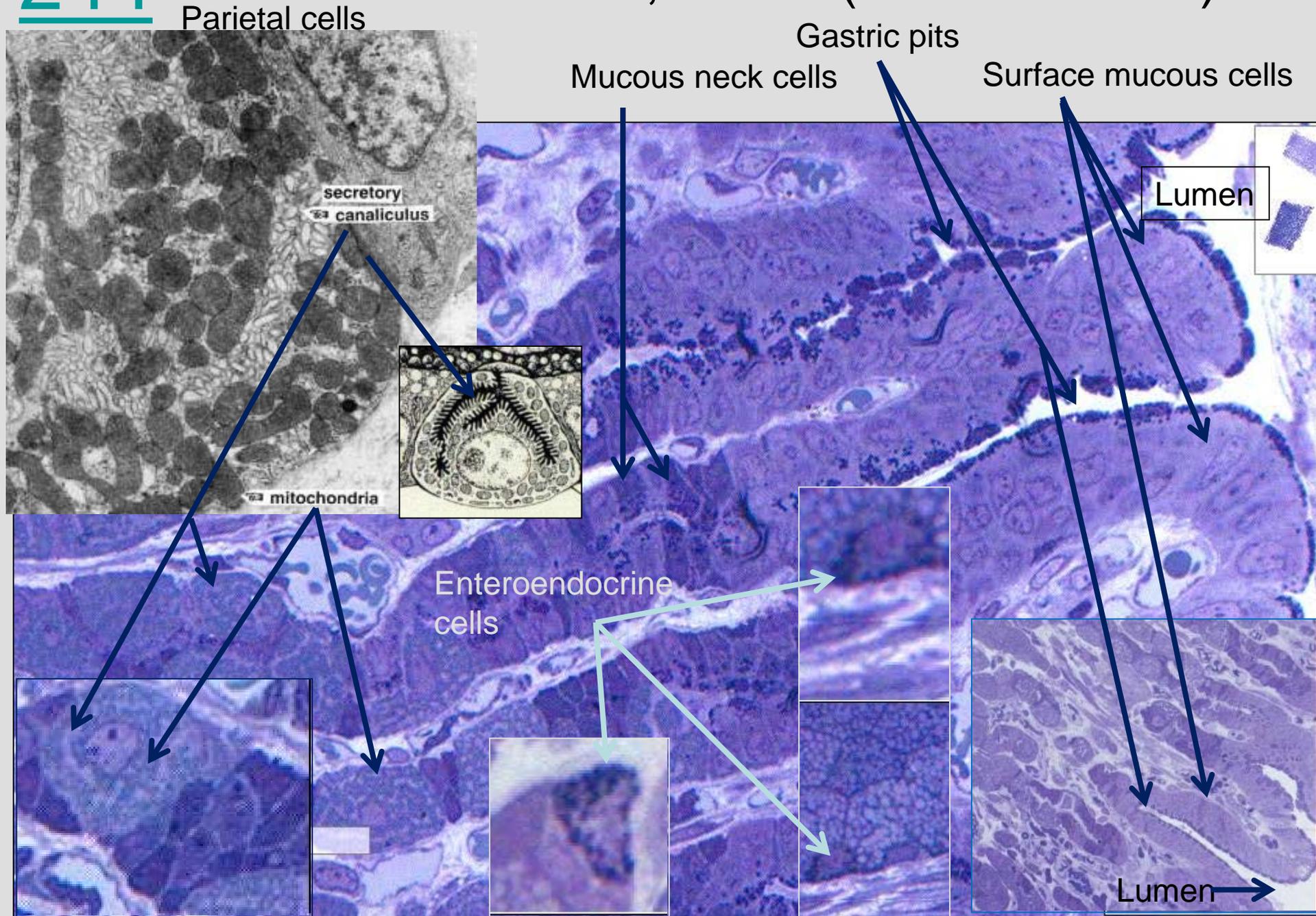
# Fundic stomach, monkey (PAS)

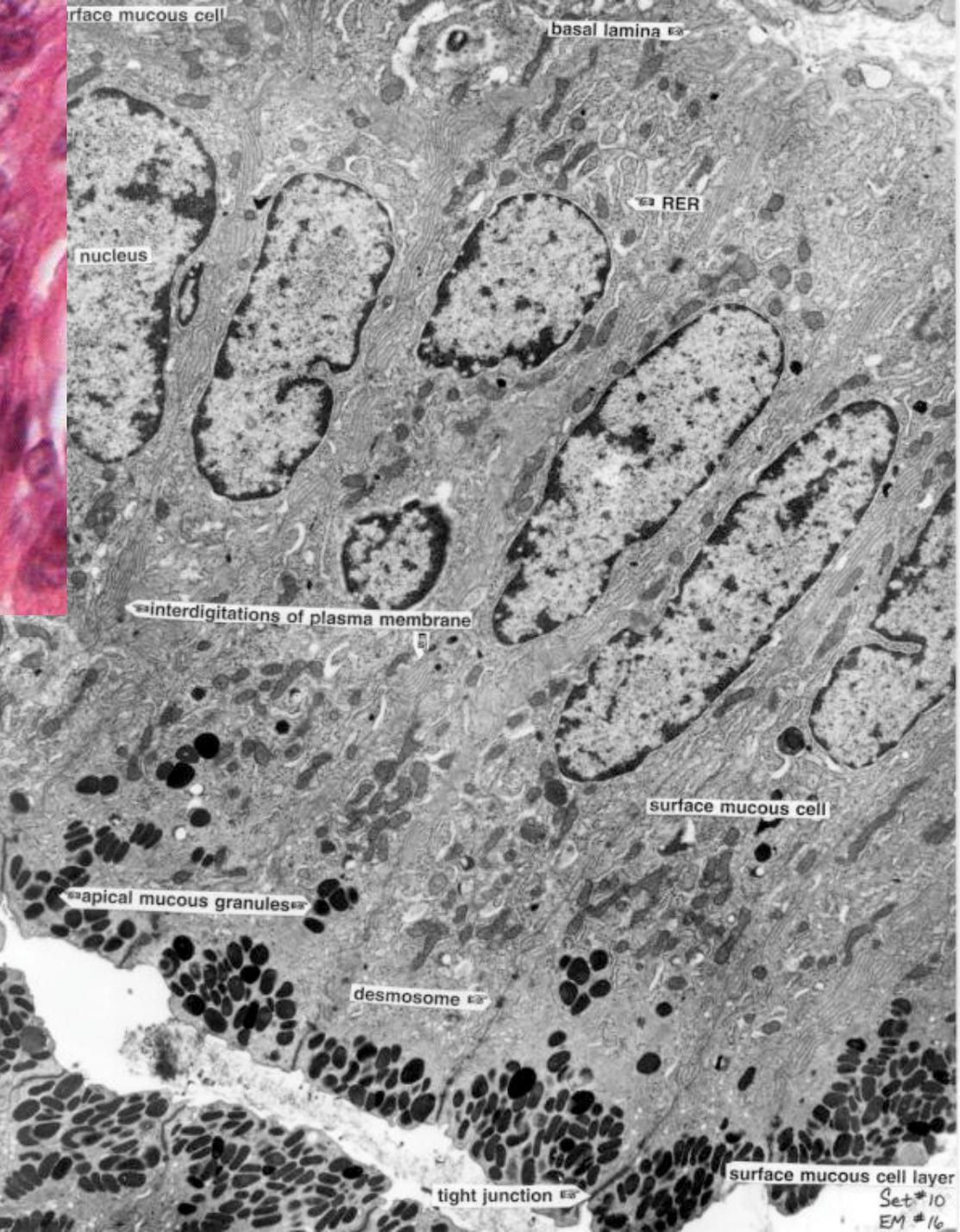
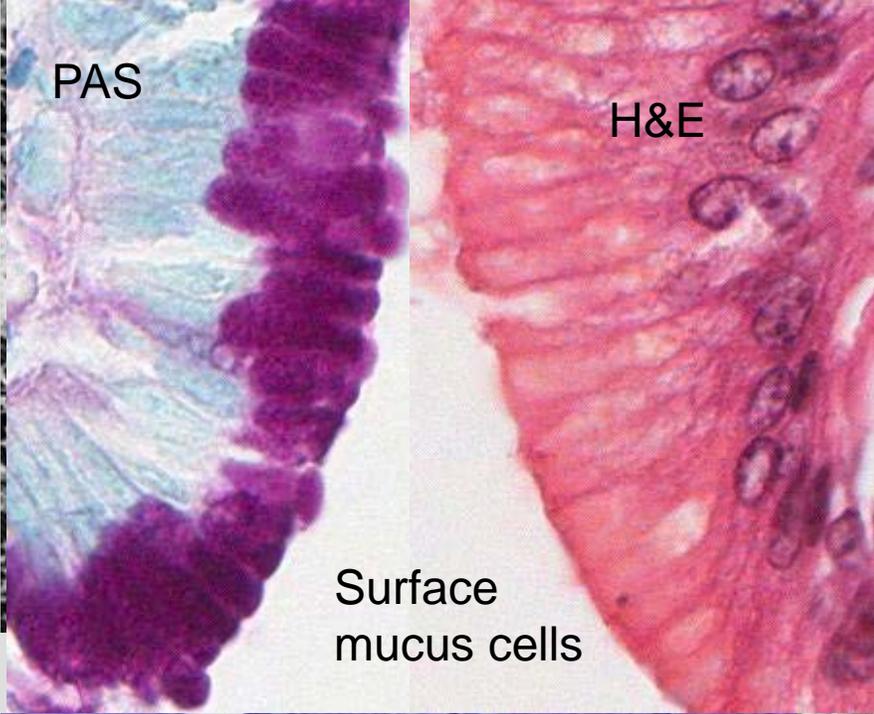


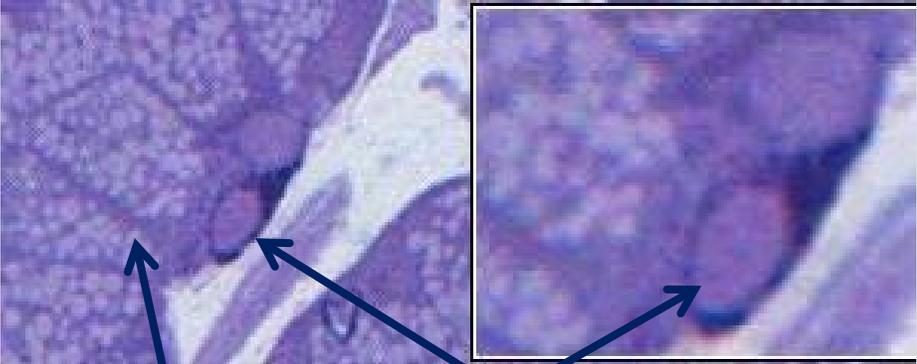
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# Fundic stomach, rabbit (toluidine blue)

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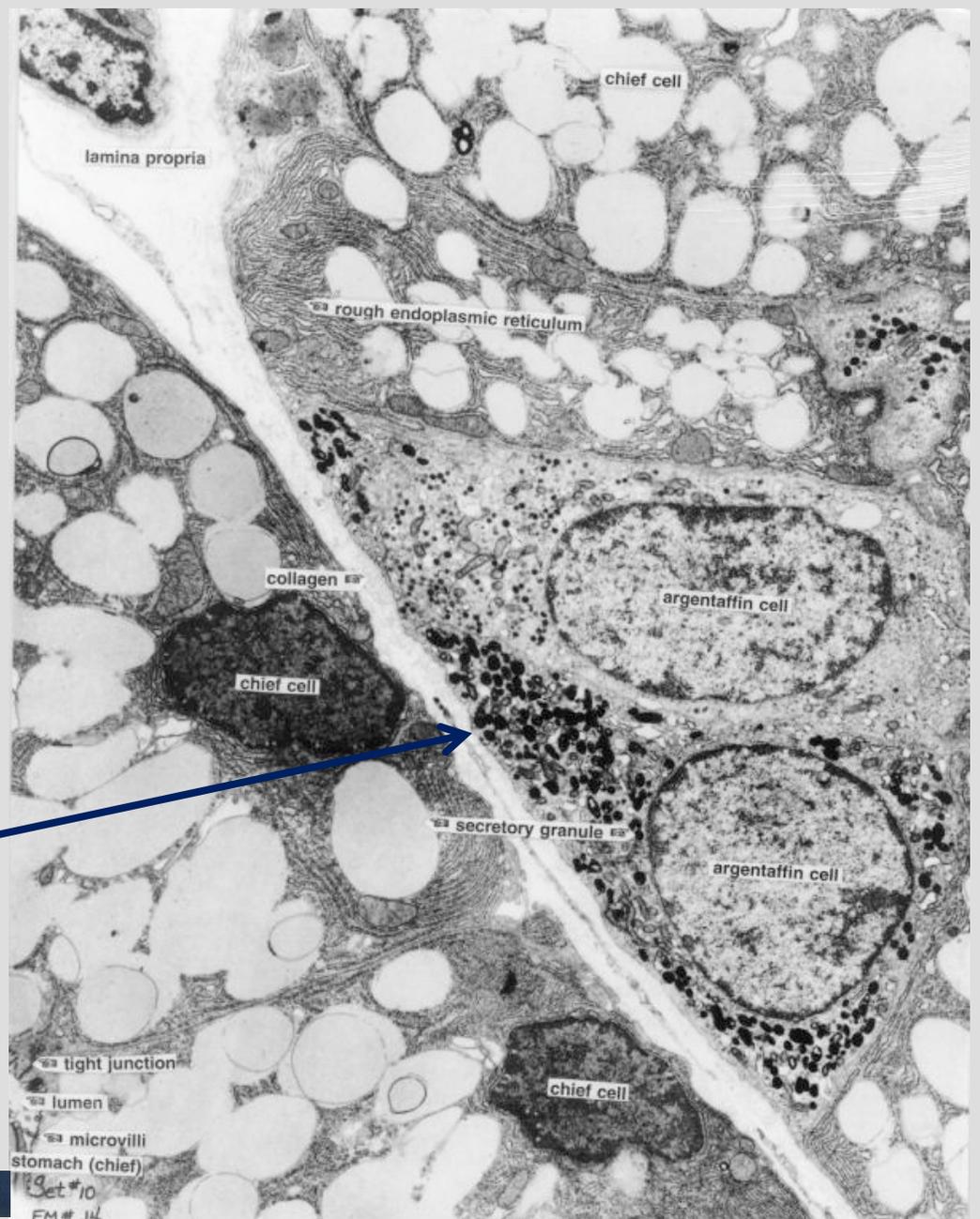
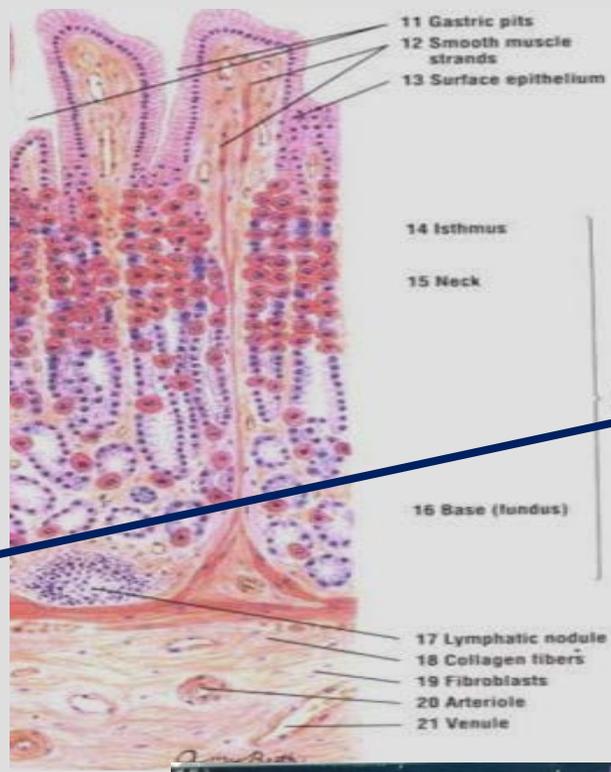






Large granules of chief cell

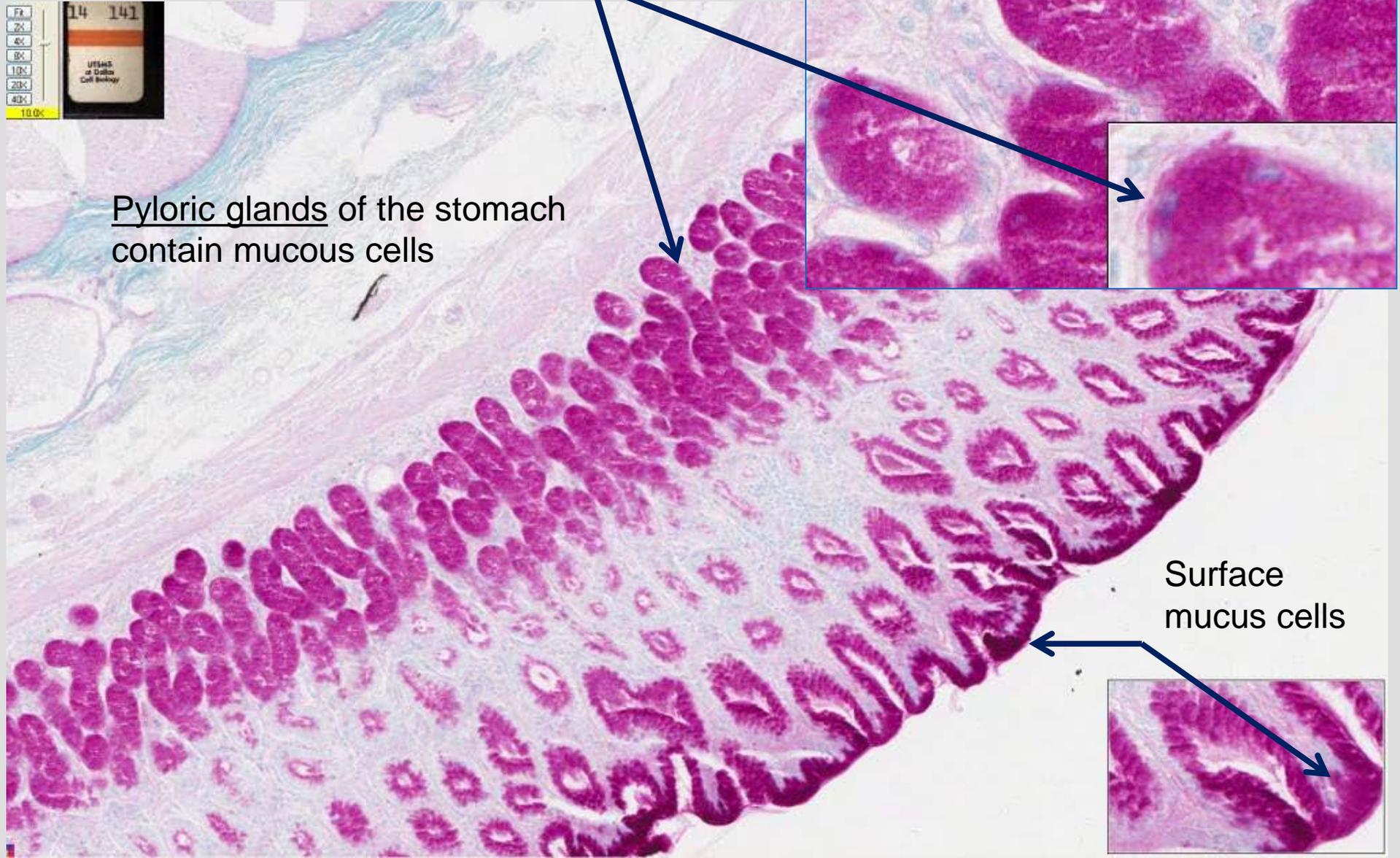
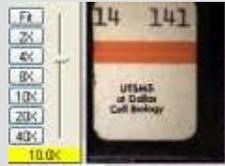
Granules of an argentaffin cell



EM 14

- Large granules of chief cell
- Granules of an argentaffin cell
- Lamina propria
- Nuclei

# 141 Pyloric stomach, monkey (PAS)



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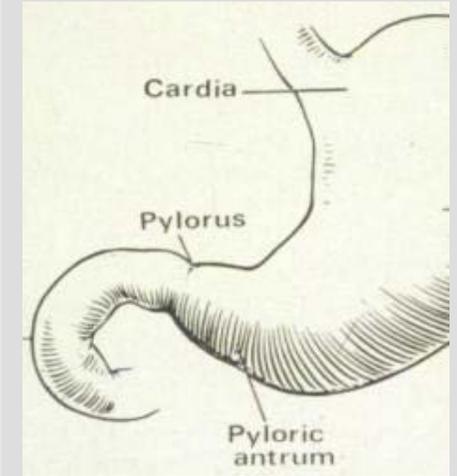
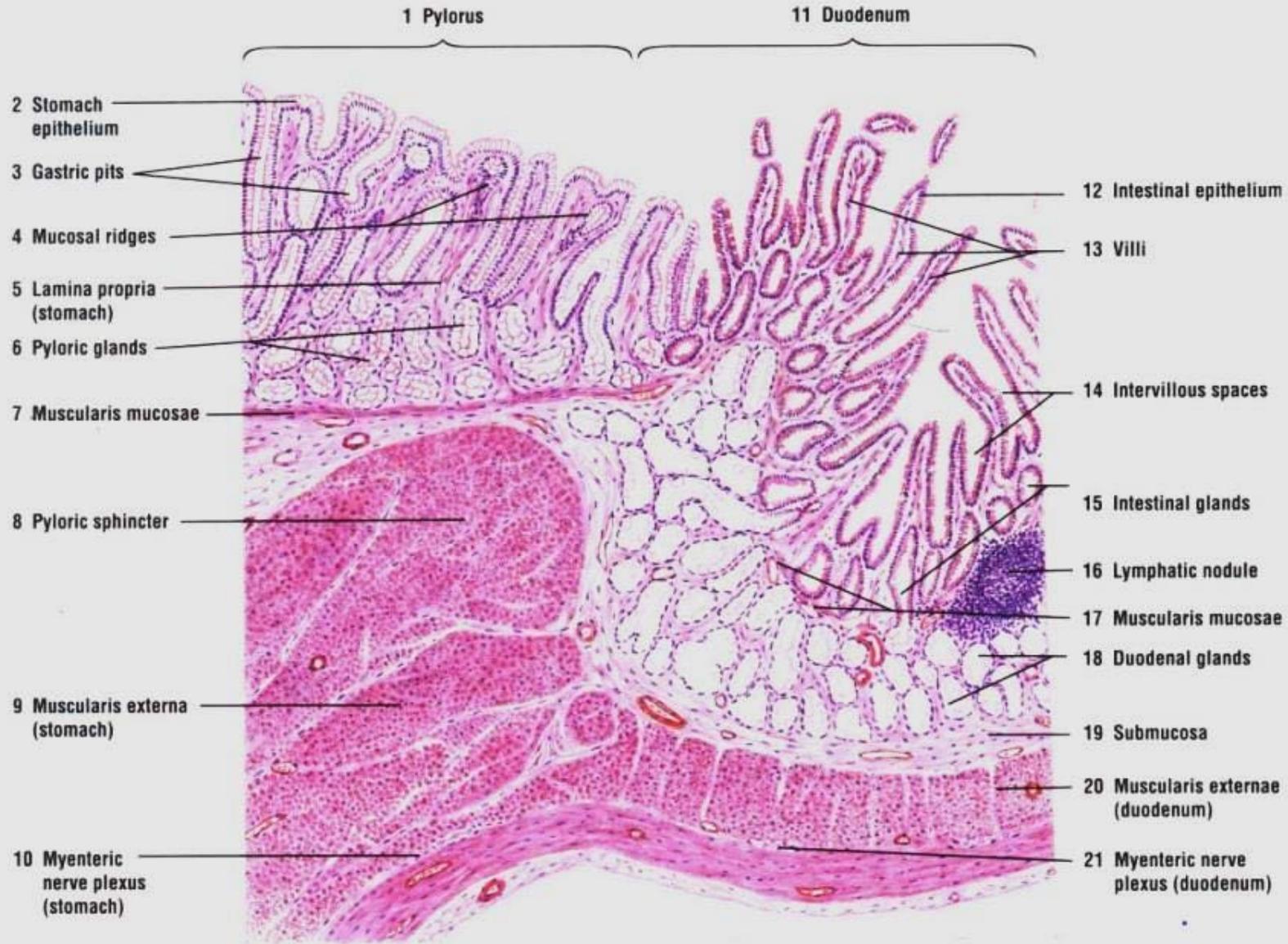
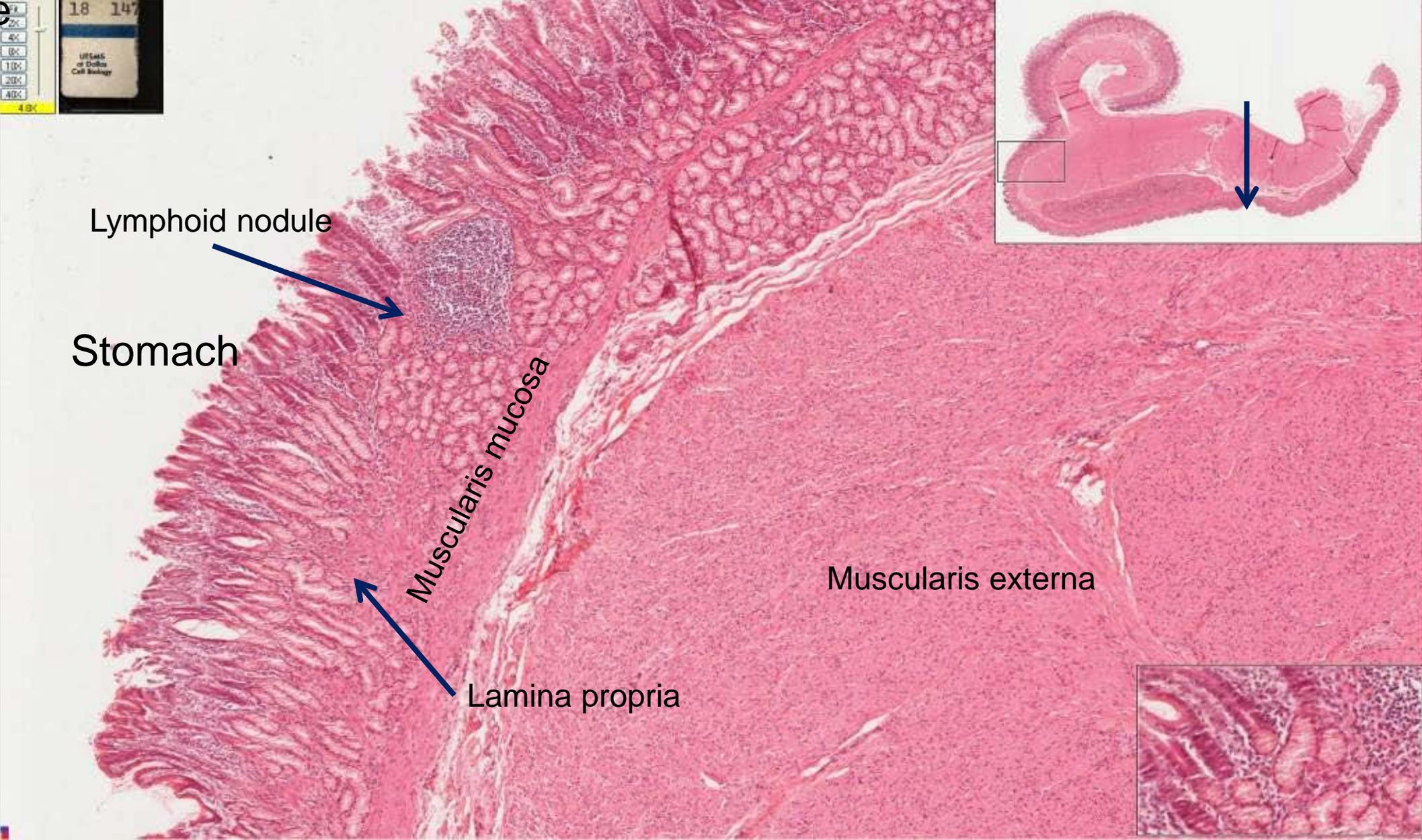


Fig. 11-11 Pyloric-Duodenal Junction (longitudinal section). Stain: hematoxylin-eosin. Low magnification.

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# Pyloroduodenal junction, baboon

Intestine



Lymphoid nodule

Stomach

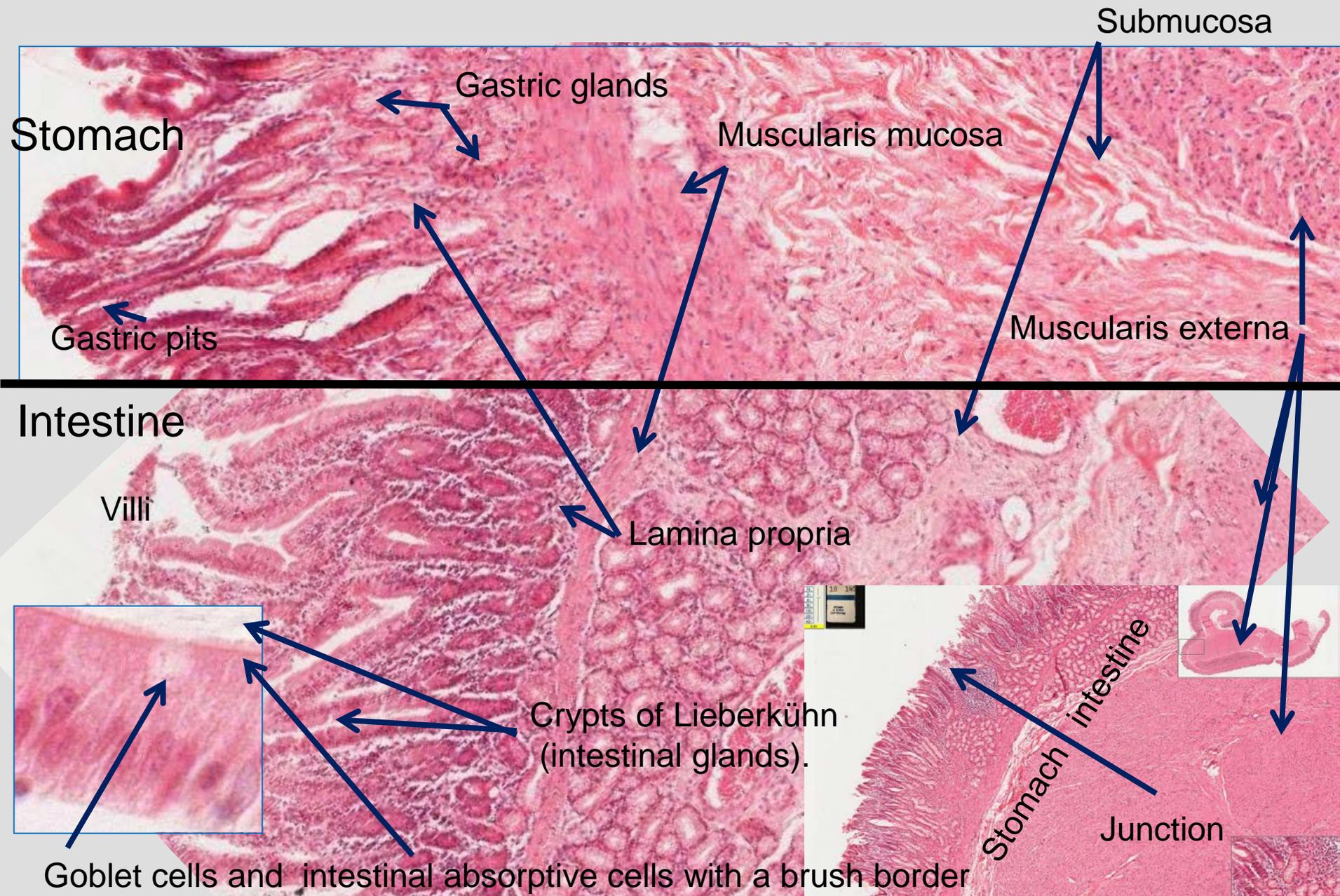
Muscularis mucosa

Lamina propria

Muscularis externa



# 147 Pyloroduodenal junction, baboon



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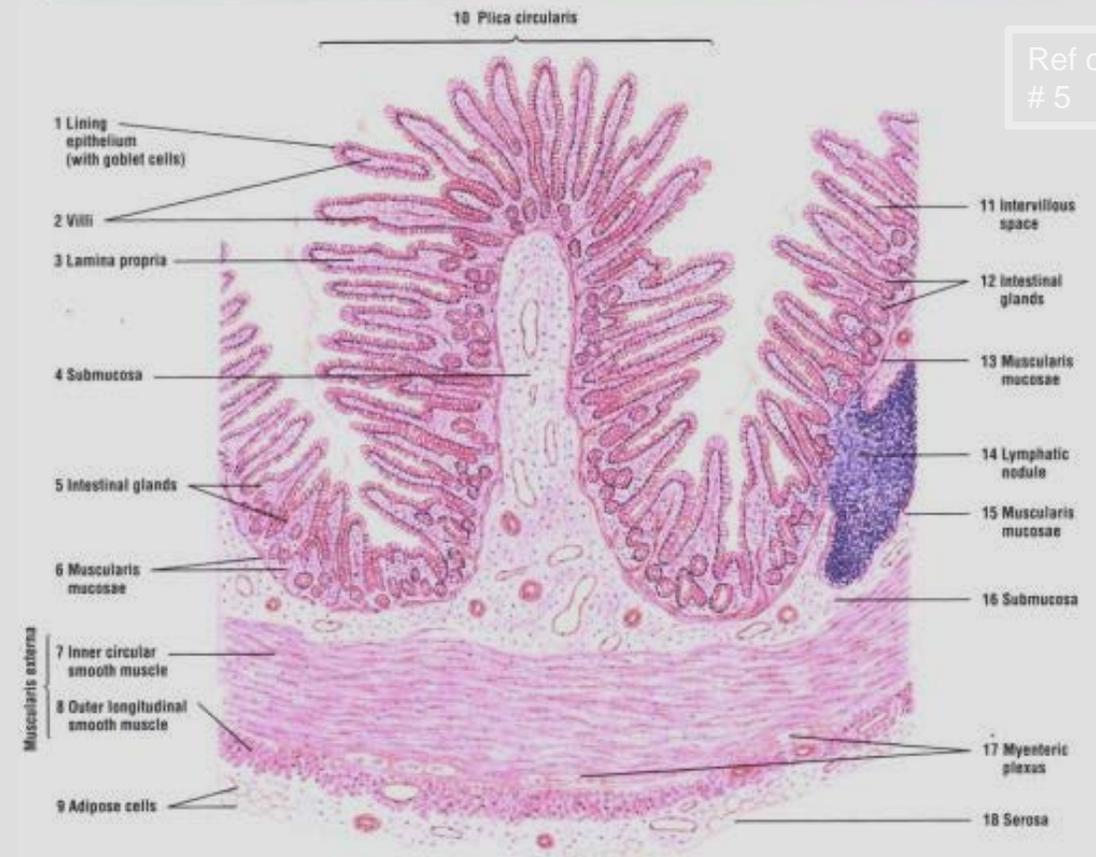
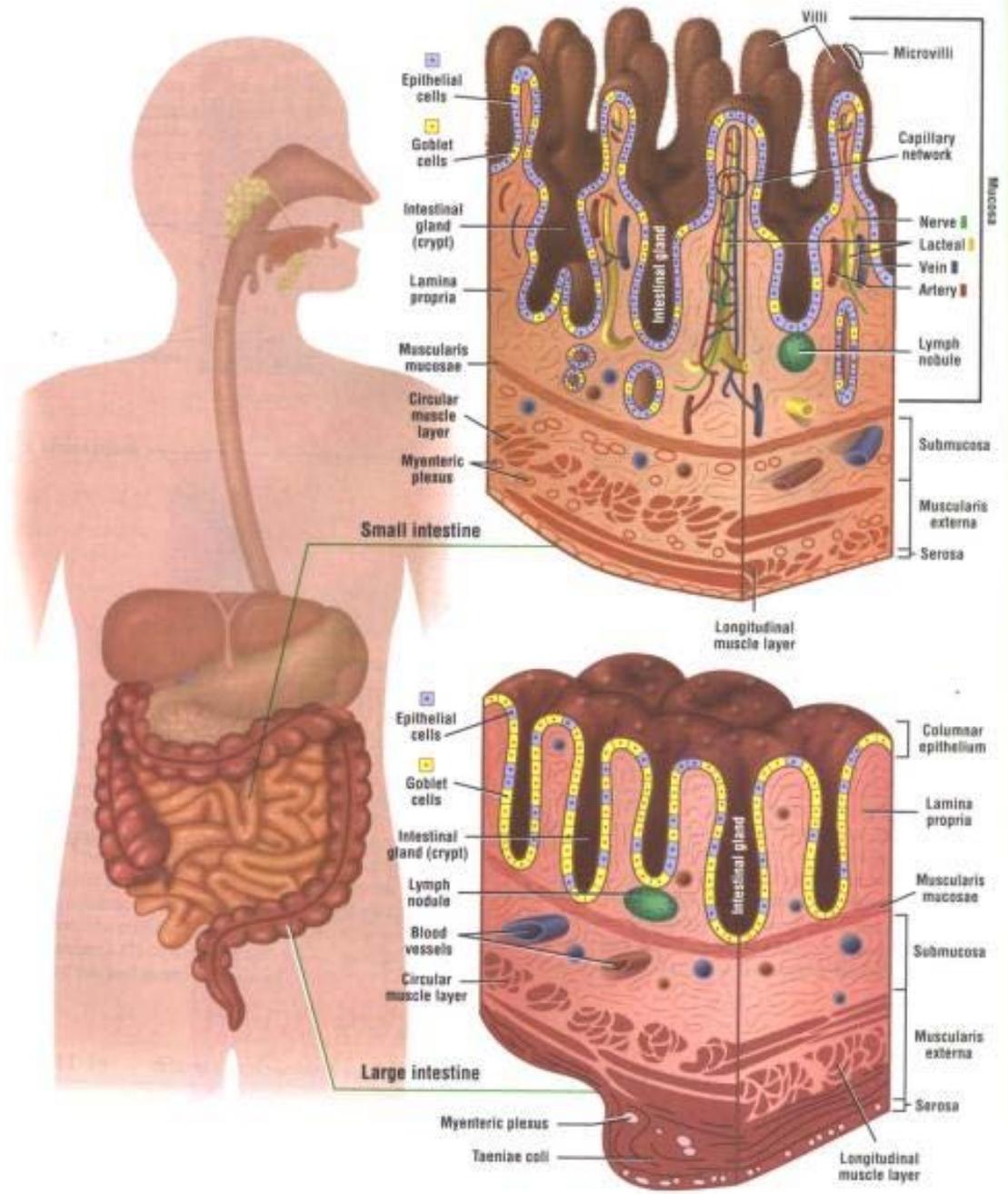


Fig. 12-2 Small Intestine: Jejunum-Ileum (transverse section). Stain: hematoxylineosin. Low magnification.

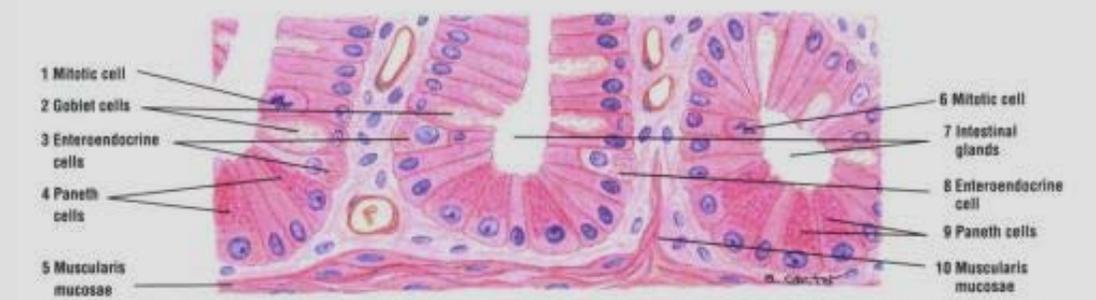


Fig. 12-3 Intestinal Glands With Paneth Cells and Enteroendocrine Cells. Stain: hematoxylin-eosin, plastic section. High magnification.

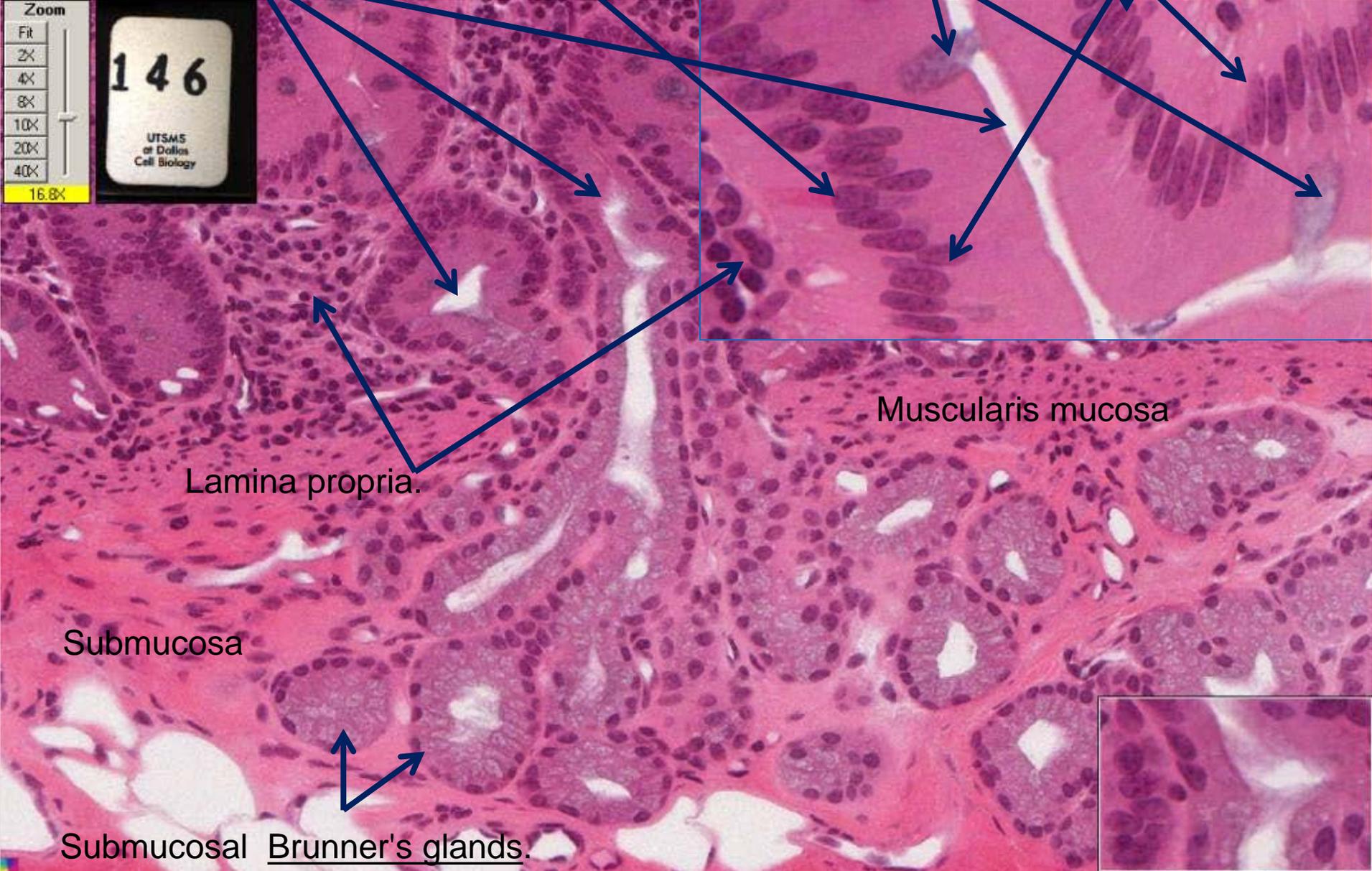
# 146 Duodenum, monkey

Crypts of Lieberkühn

Enteroendocrine cell

Goblet and absorptive cells,

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Lamina propria.

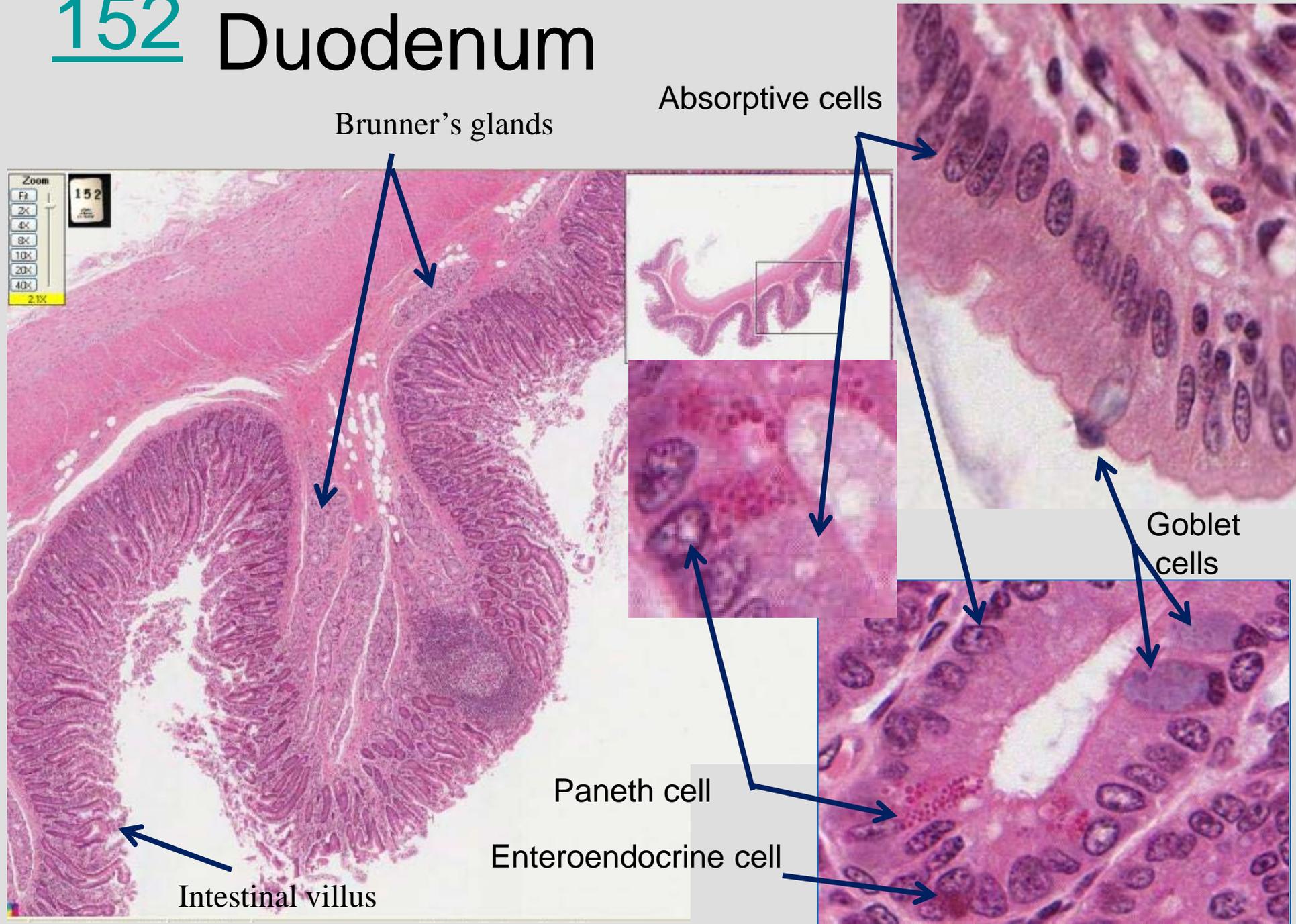
Muscularis mucosa

Submucosa

Submucosal Brunner's glands.



# 152 Duodenum



# 447 Small intestine

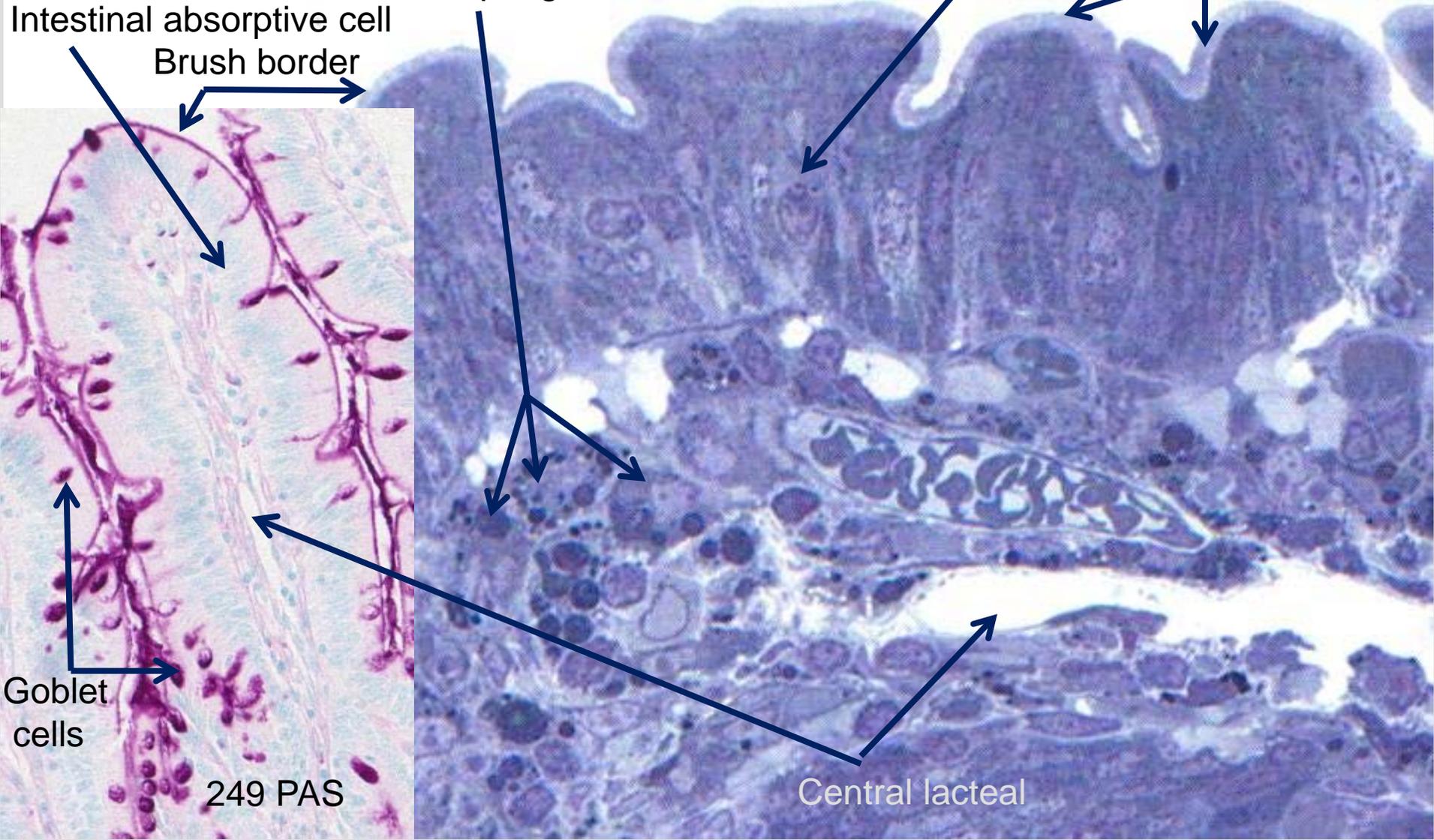
Mucus of goblet cells and the carbohydrates in the brush border are PAS positive for sugars

Intestinal villus

Intestinal absorptive cell  
Brush border

Macrophages

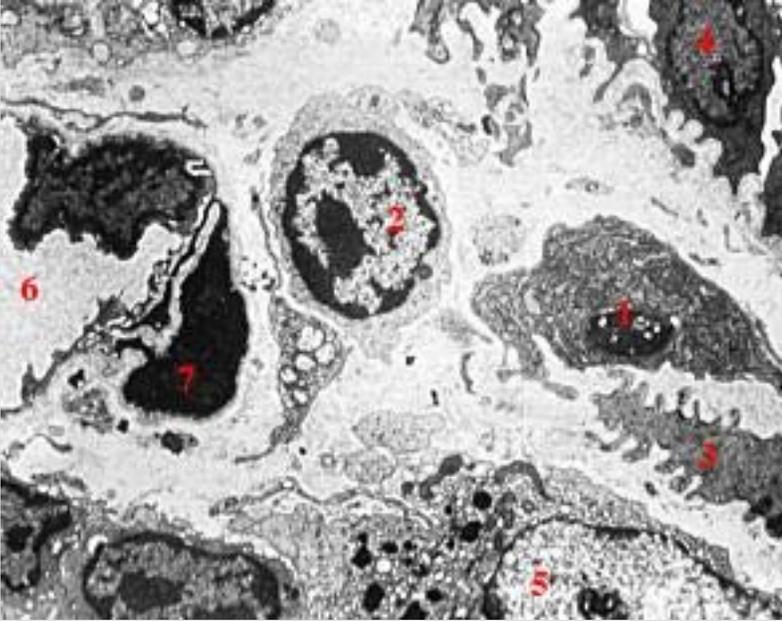
Intestinal absorptive cell  
Brush border



Goblet cells

249 PAS

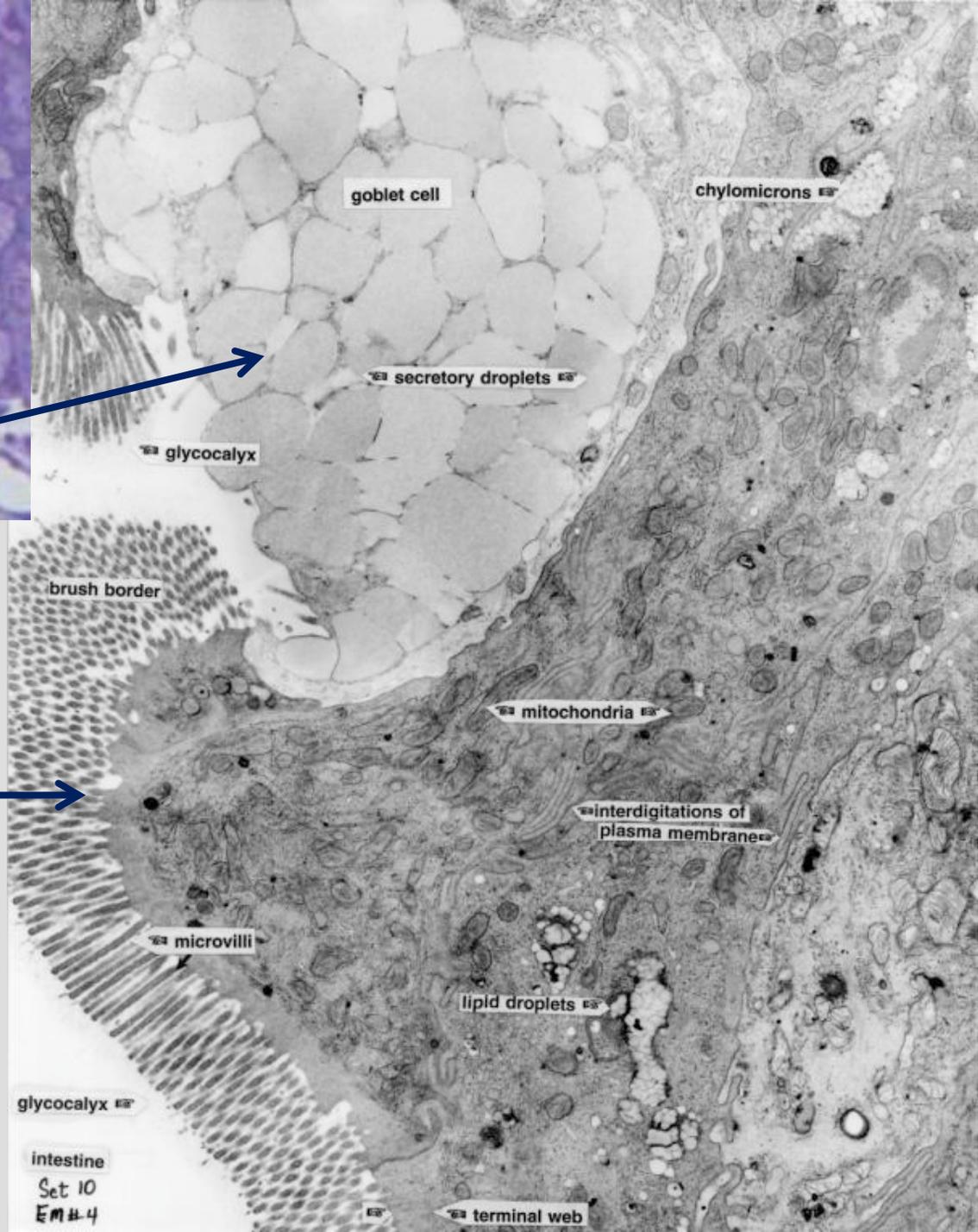
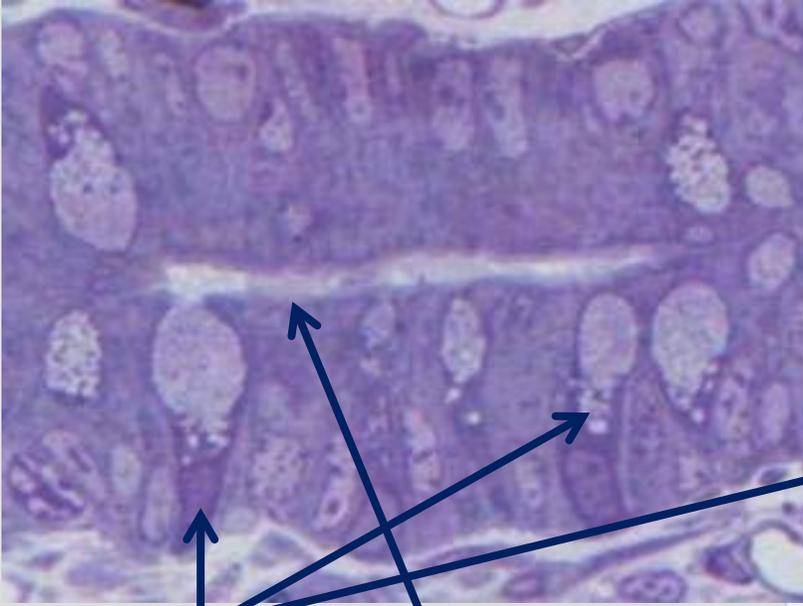
Central lacteal



EM 17 Basal portion of intestinal absorptive cell

1. Plasma cell
2. Lymphocyte
3. Smooth muscle
4. Intestinal absorptive cell
5. Macrophage
6. Lumen of capillary
7. Pericyte of capillary

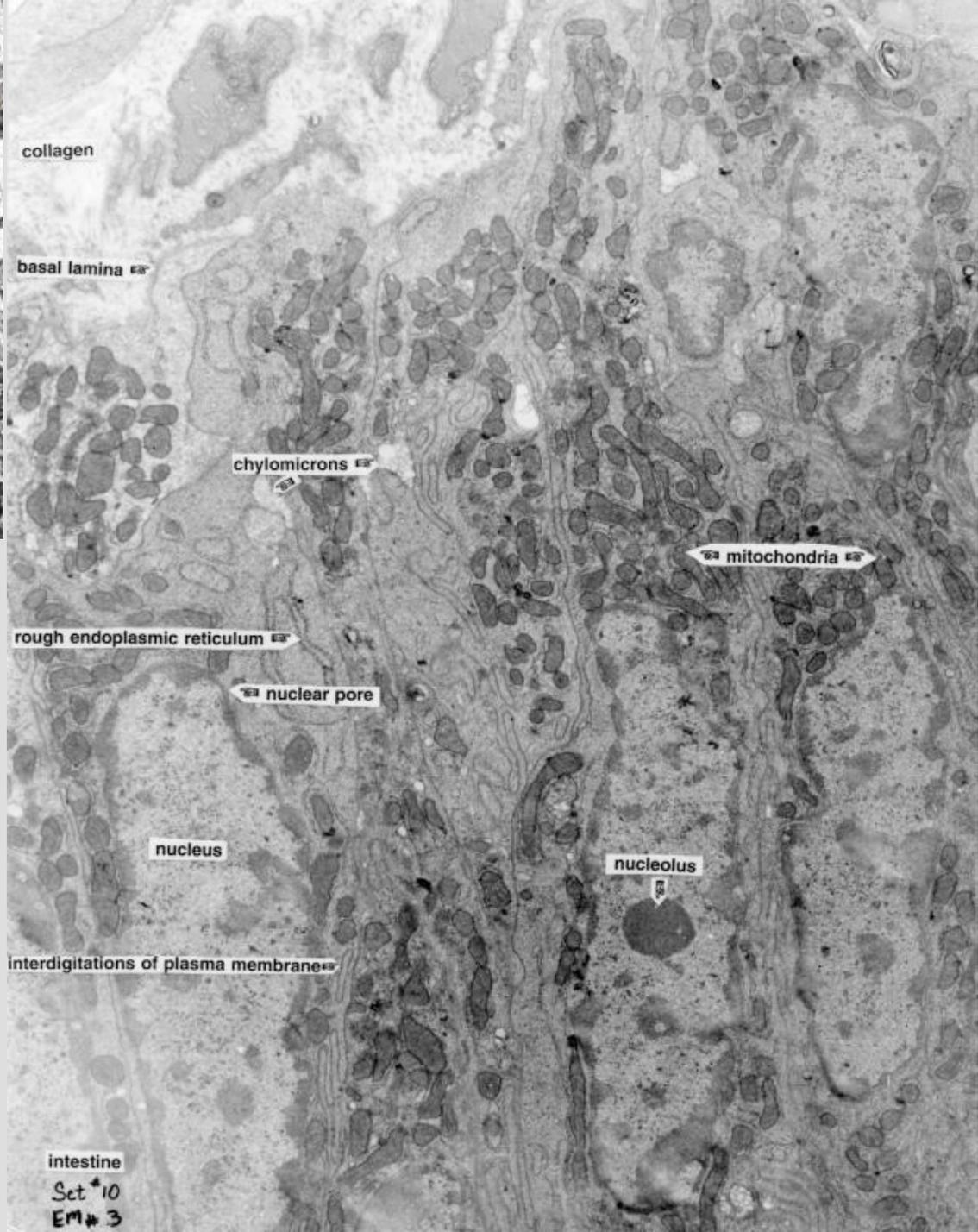
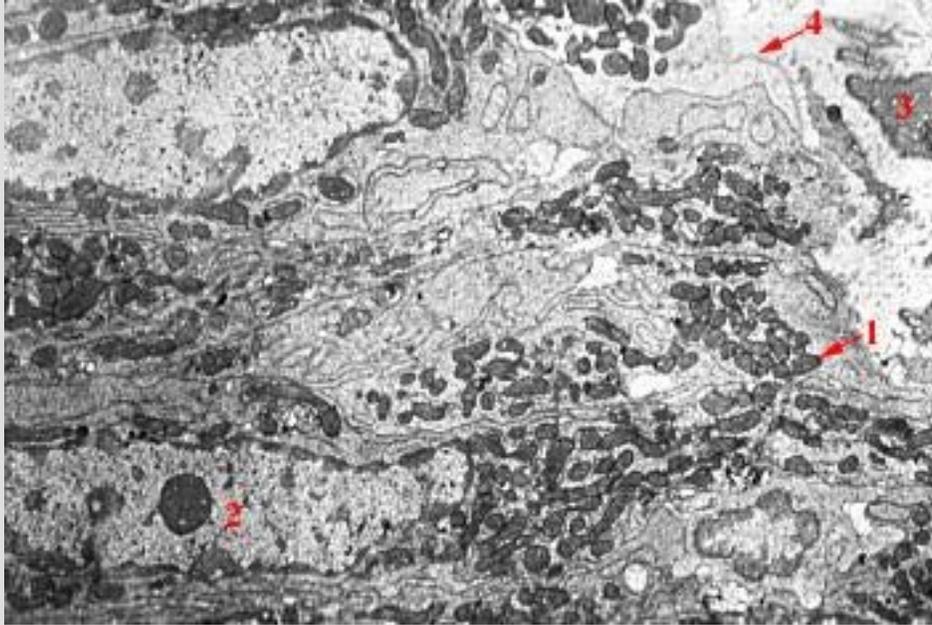




Goblet cell

EM 4. Apical portion of intestinal absorptive cell

1. Microvilli of brush border
2. Droplets of goblet cell
3. Terminal web
4. Lipid in SER
5. lumen

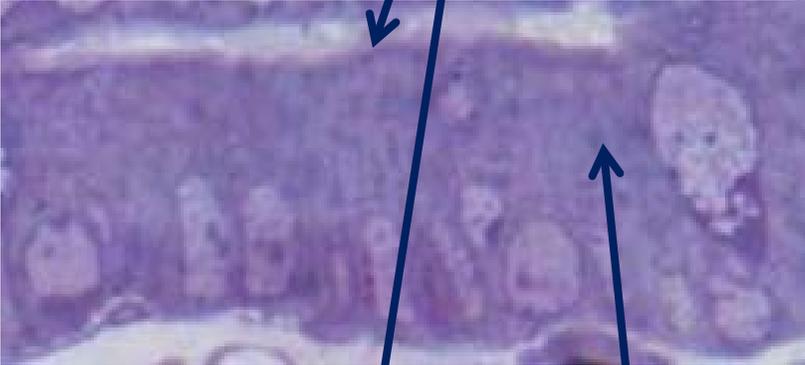


Basal portion of intestinal absorptive cell

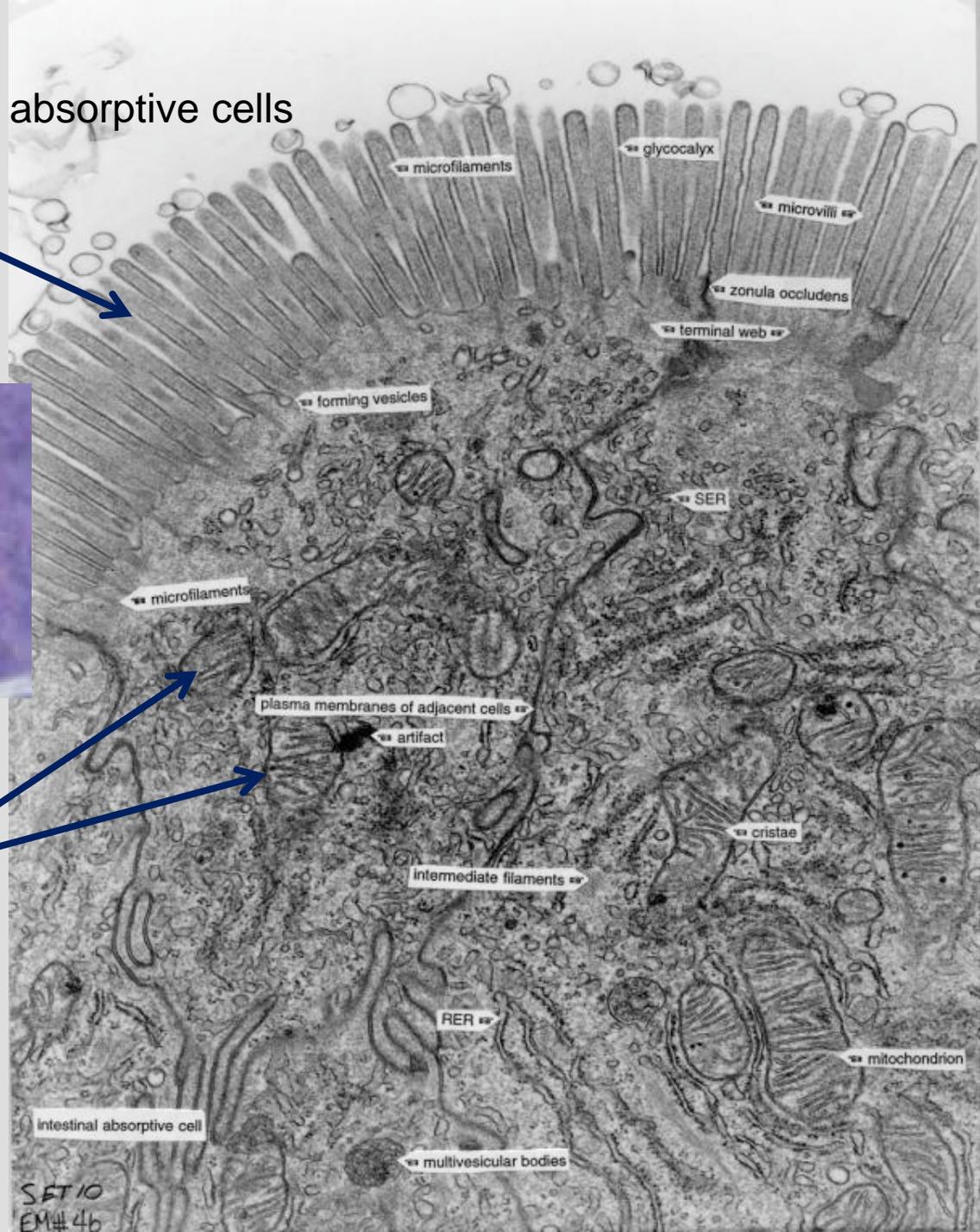
1. Mitochondria
2. Nuclei of intestinal absorptive cell
3. Smooth muscle of muscularis mucosa
4. Basal lamina

EM 4b

Brush border of intestinal absorptive cells



Mitochondria

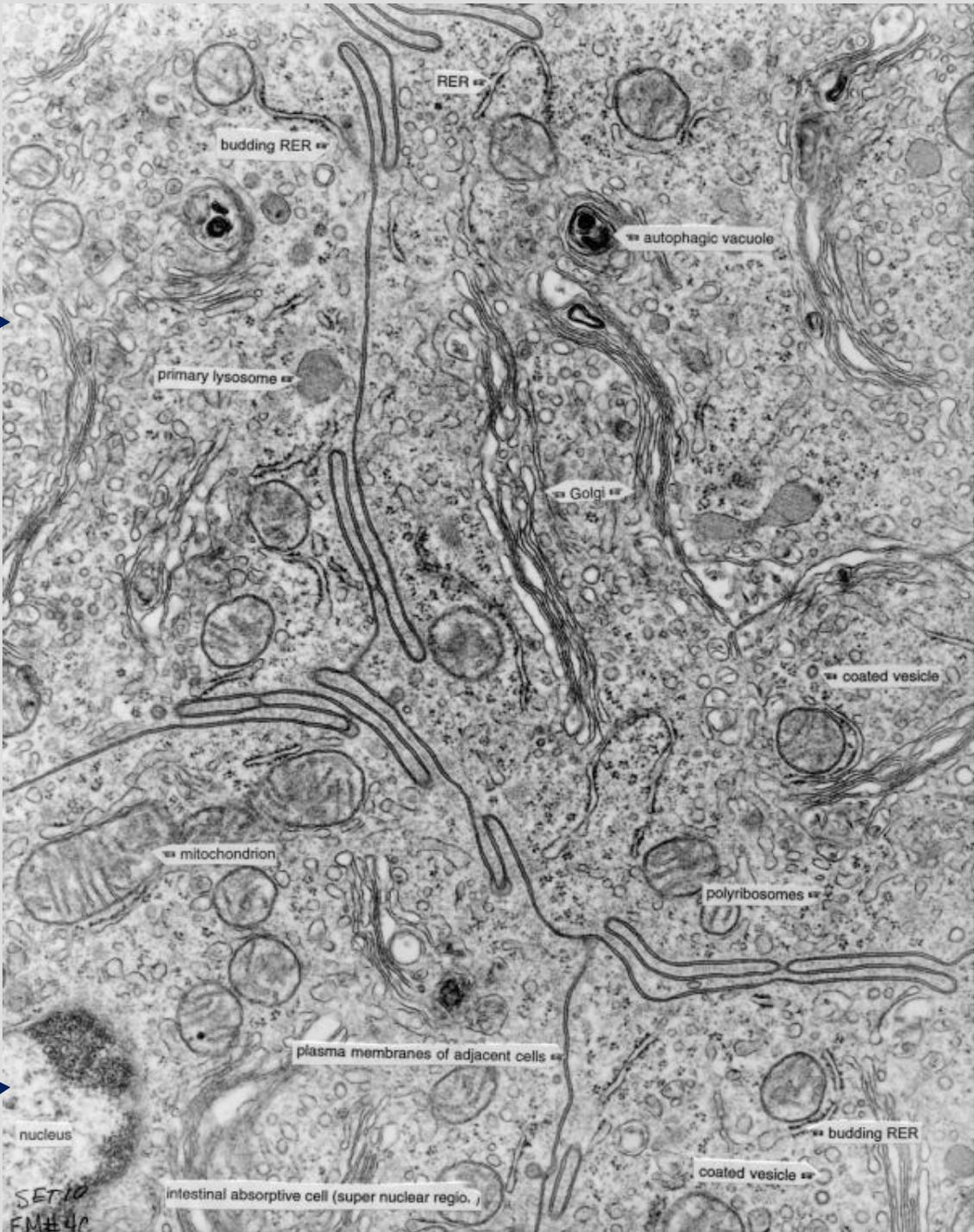


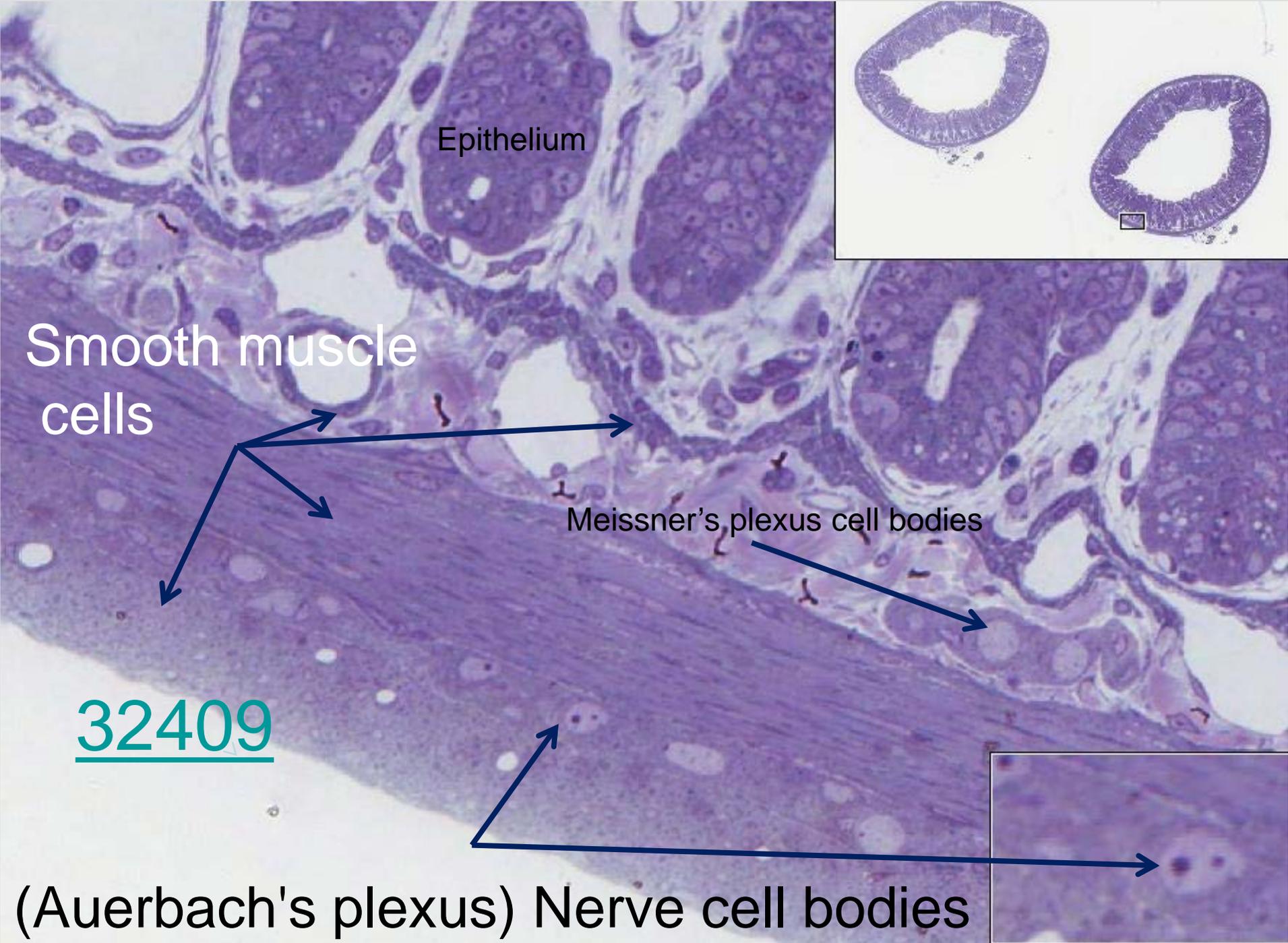
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Intestinal absorptive cells in cytoplasm just above the nucleus



Nucleus





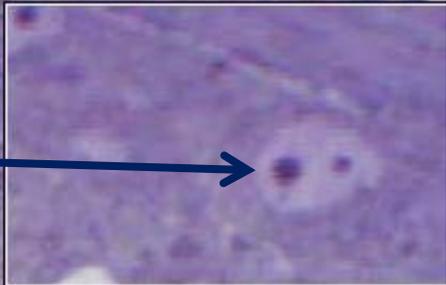
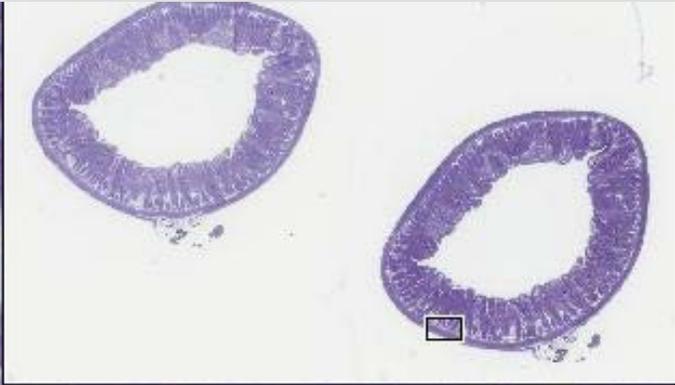
Epithelium

Smooth muscle cells

Meissner's plexus cell bodies

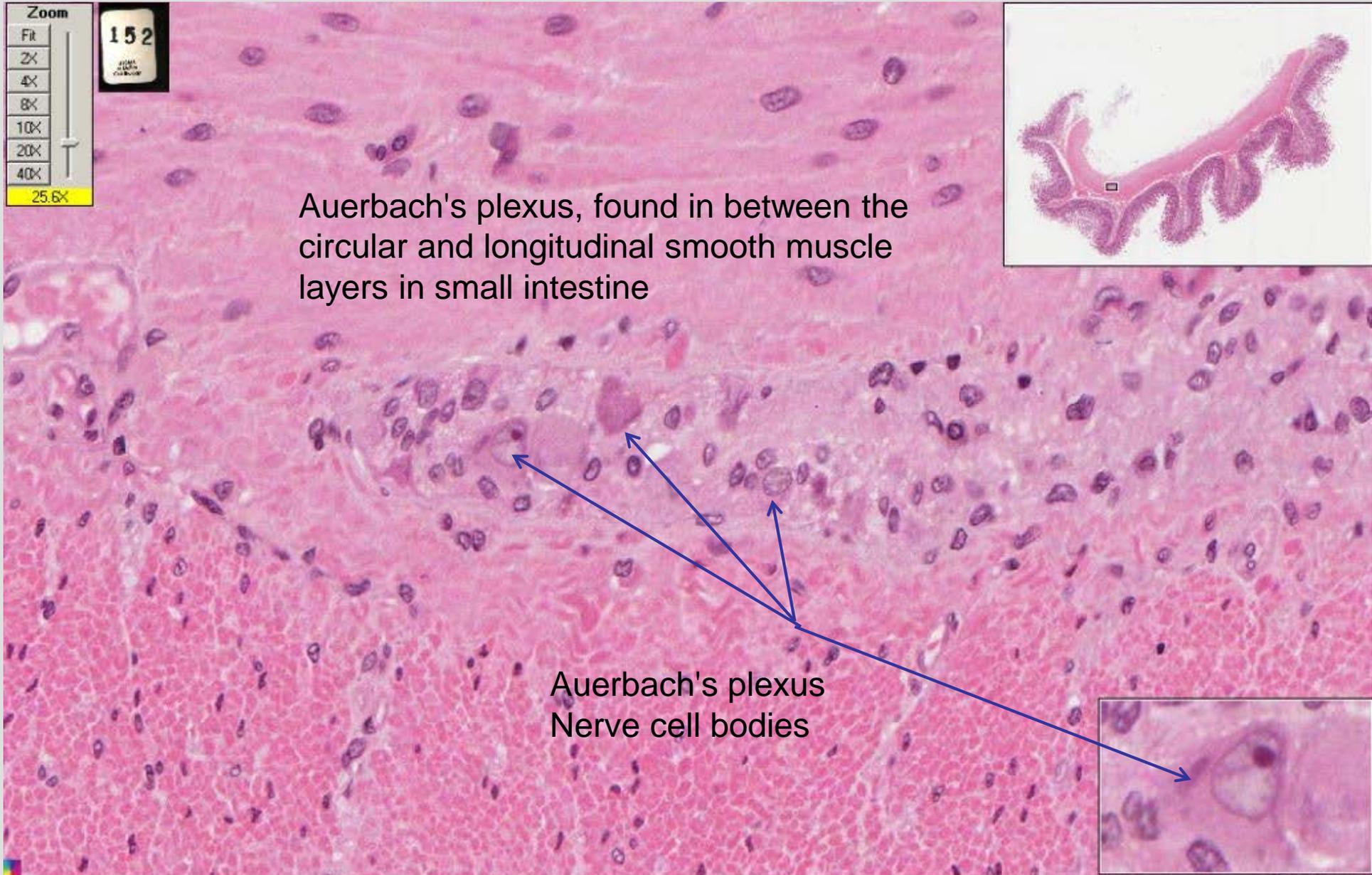
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(Auerbach's plexus) Nerve cell bodies



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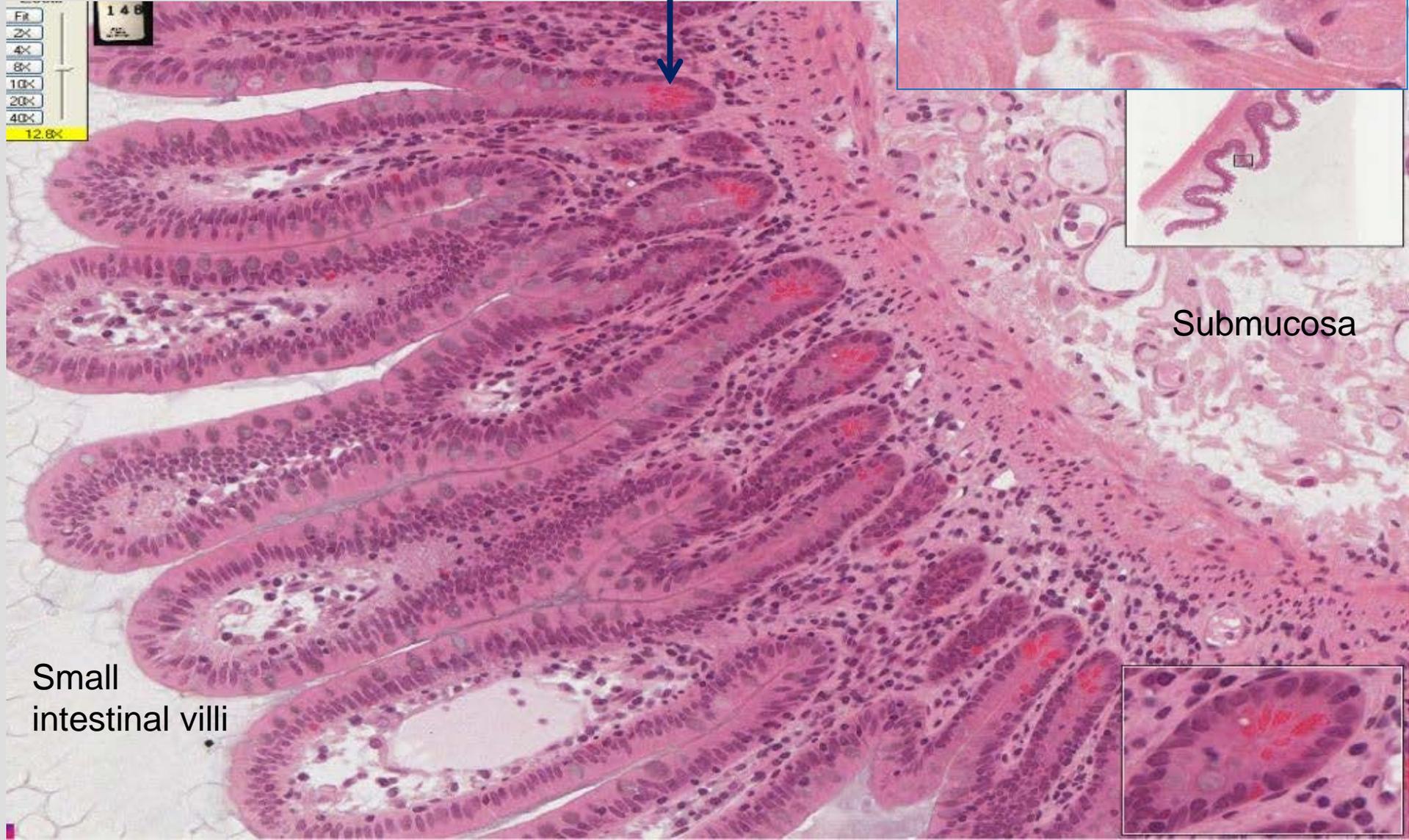
# Duodenum (small intestine)



# 148 Ileum

Meissner's plexus cell bodies in submucosa

Paneth cell



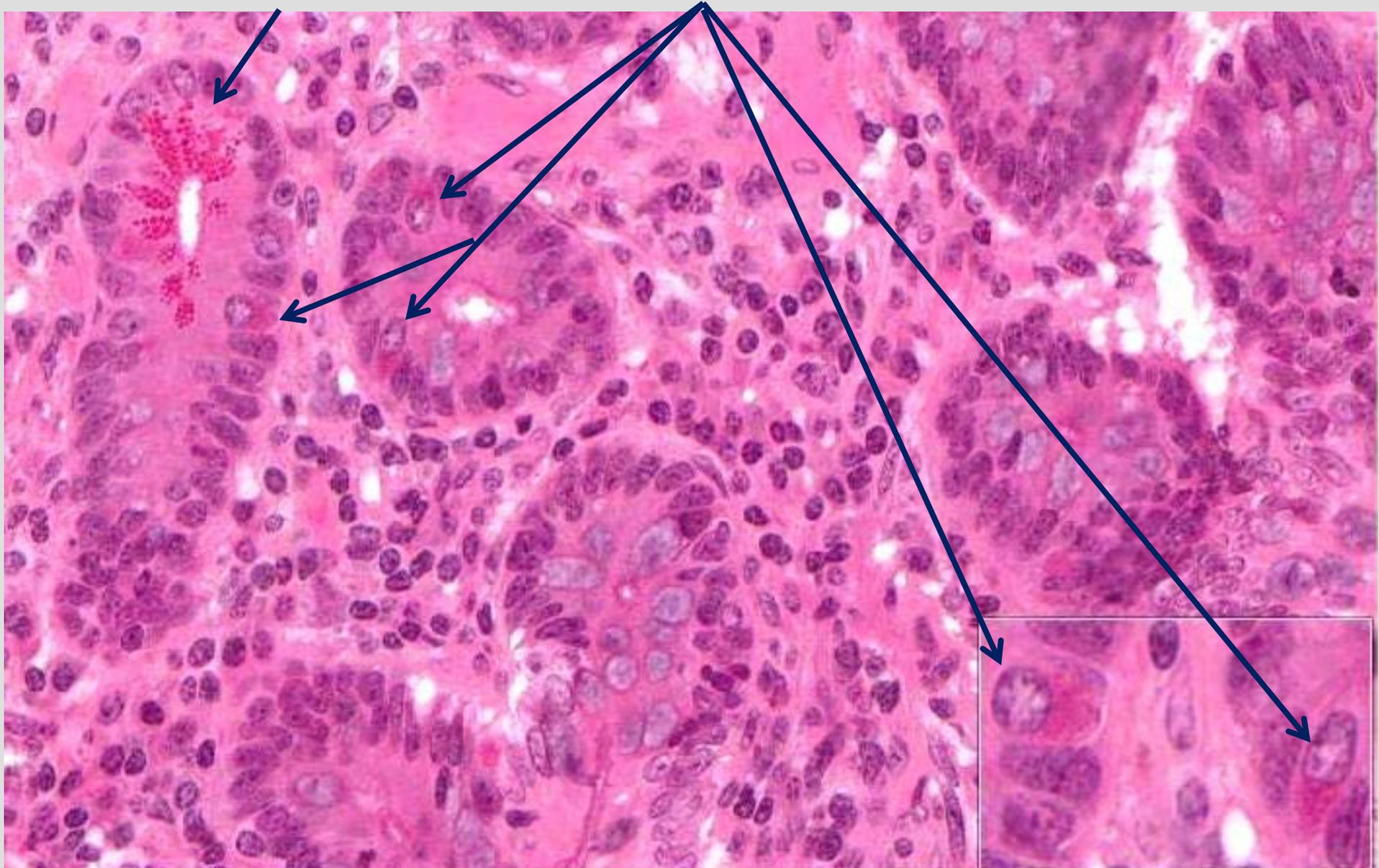
Small intestinal villi

Submucosa

# 250 Argentaffin cells of Ileum, monkey

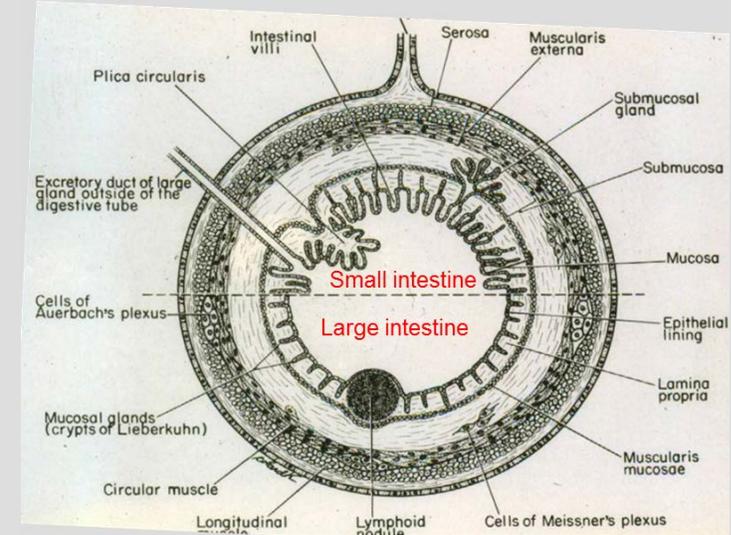
Paneth cell

Enteroendocrine cells also called Argentaffin cells



# Compare luminal surfaces of the small and large intestines

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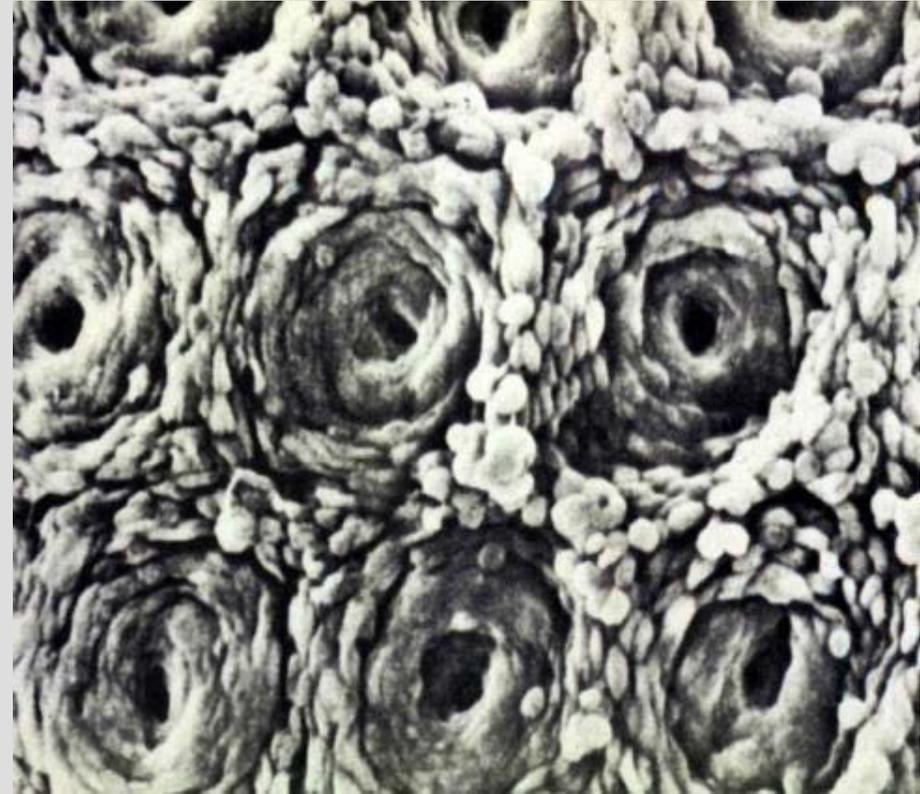
small intestines

large intestines

**Villi**



**NO Villi**



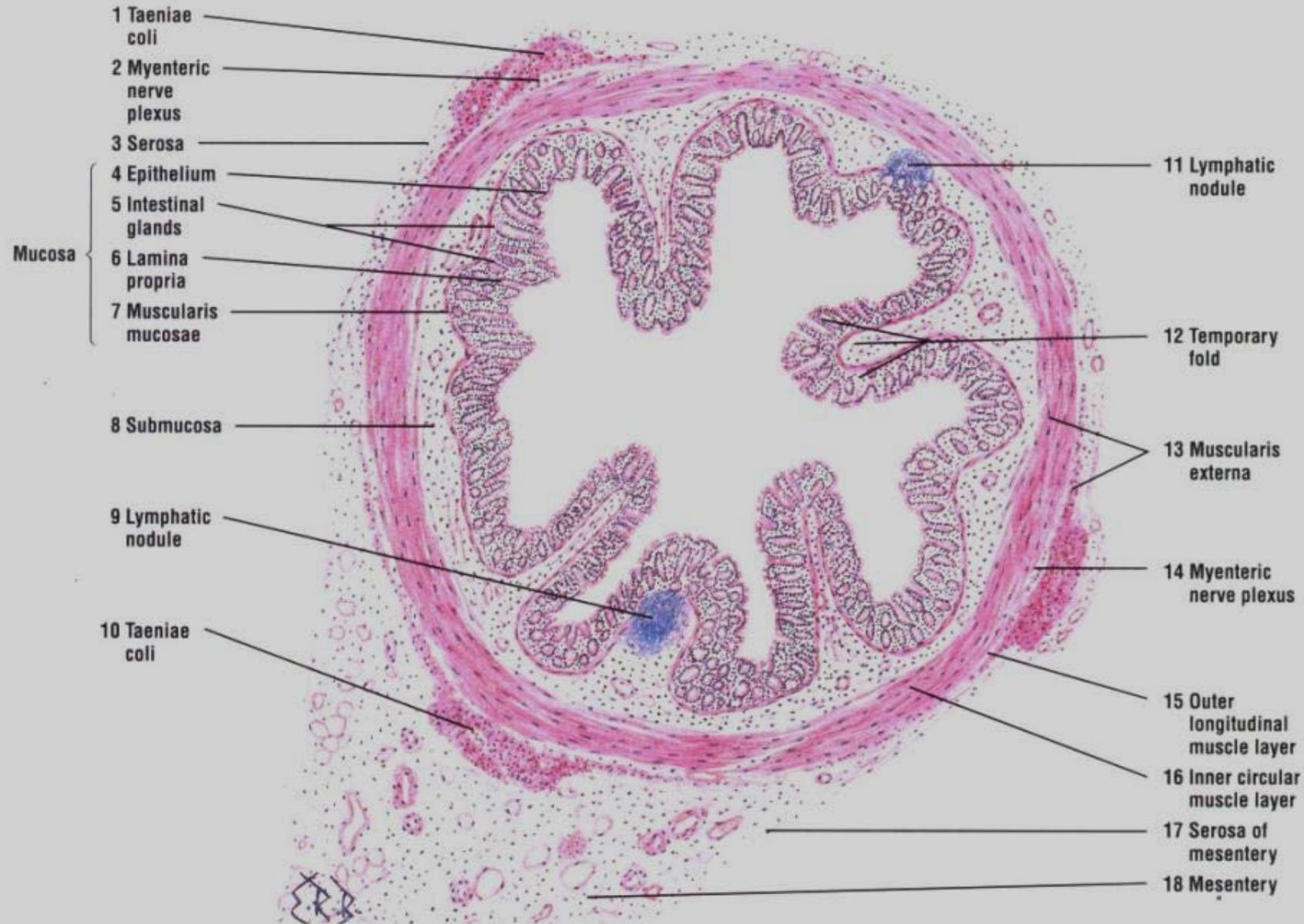
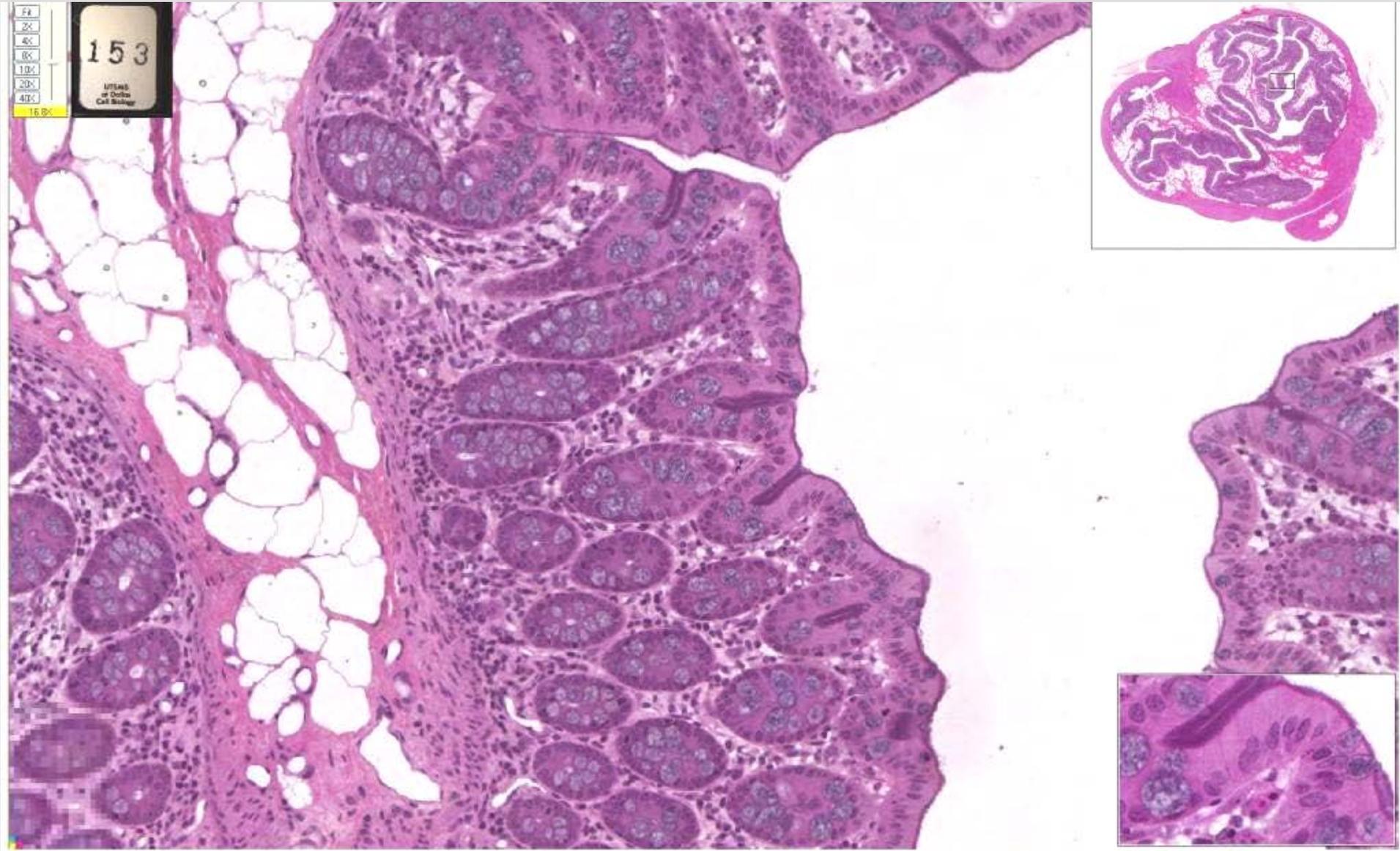


Fig. 12-6 Large Intestine: Colon and Mesentery (panoramic view, transverse section). Stain: hematoxylin-eosin. Low magnification.

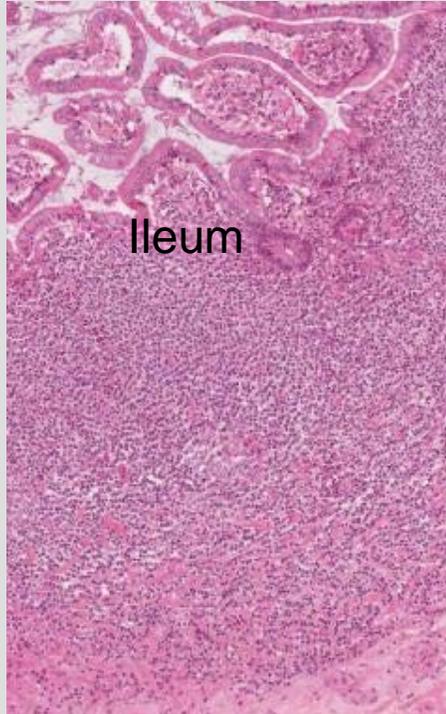
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# Large intestine or Colon, monkey

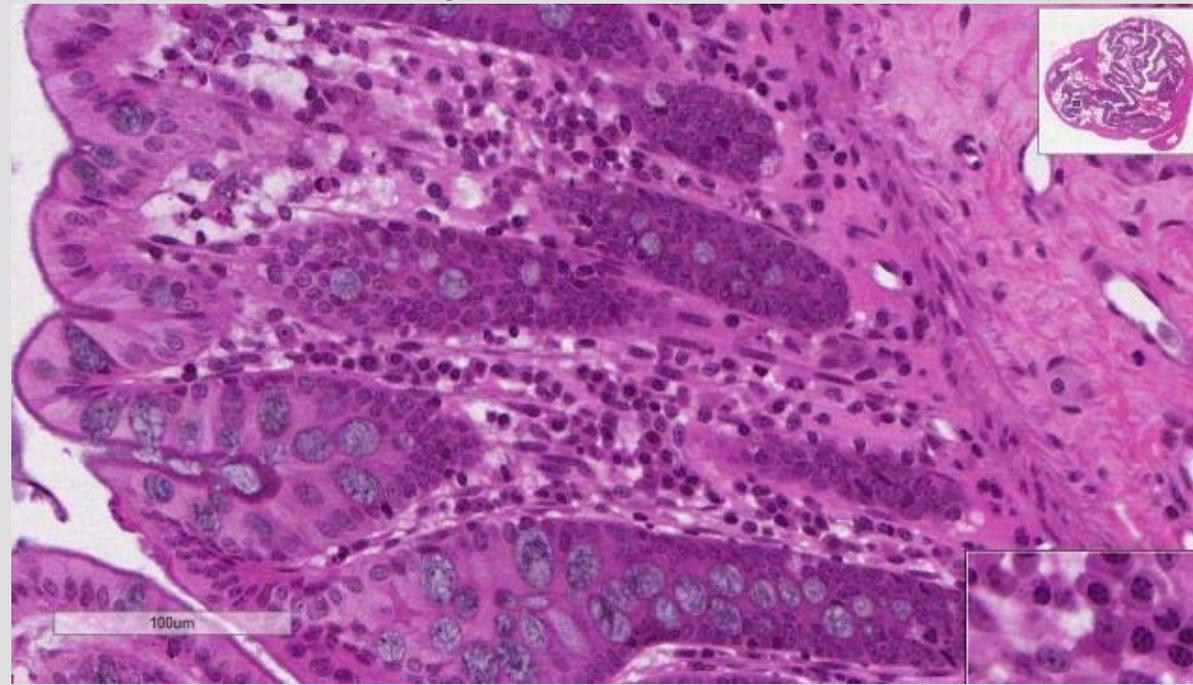


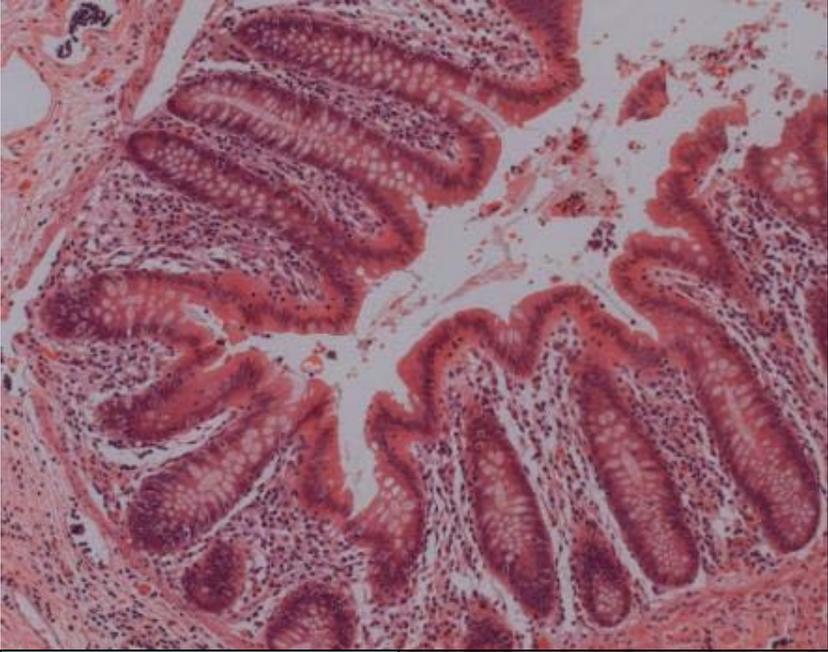


Solitary lymph follicles in the lamina propria seen throughout the GI tract help the immune system maintain a barrier between the environment and the internal milieu of the body. Other contributors include luminal epithelium, HCl in the stomach, and mucus produced by many goblet cells in the intestines.

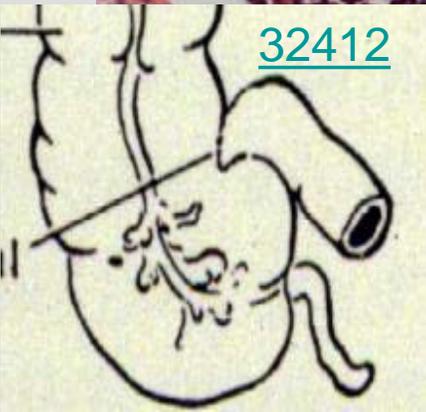


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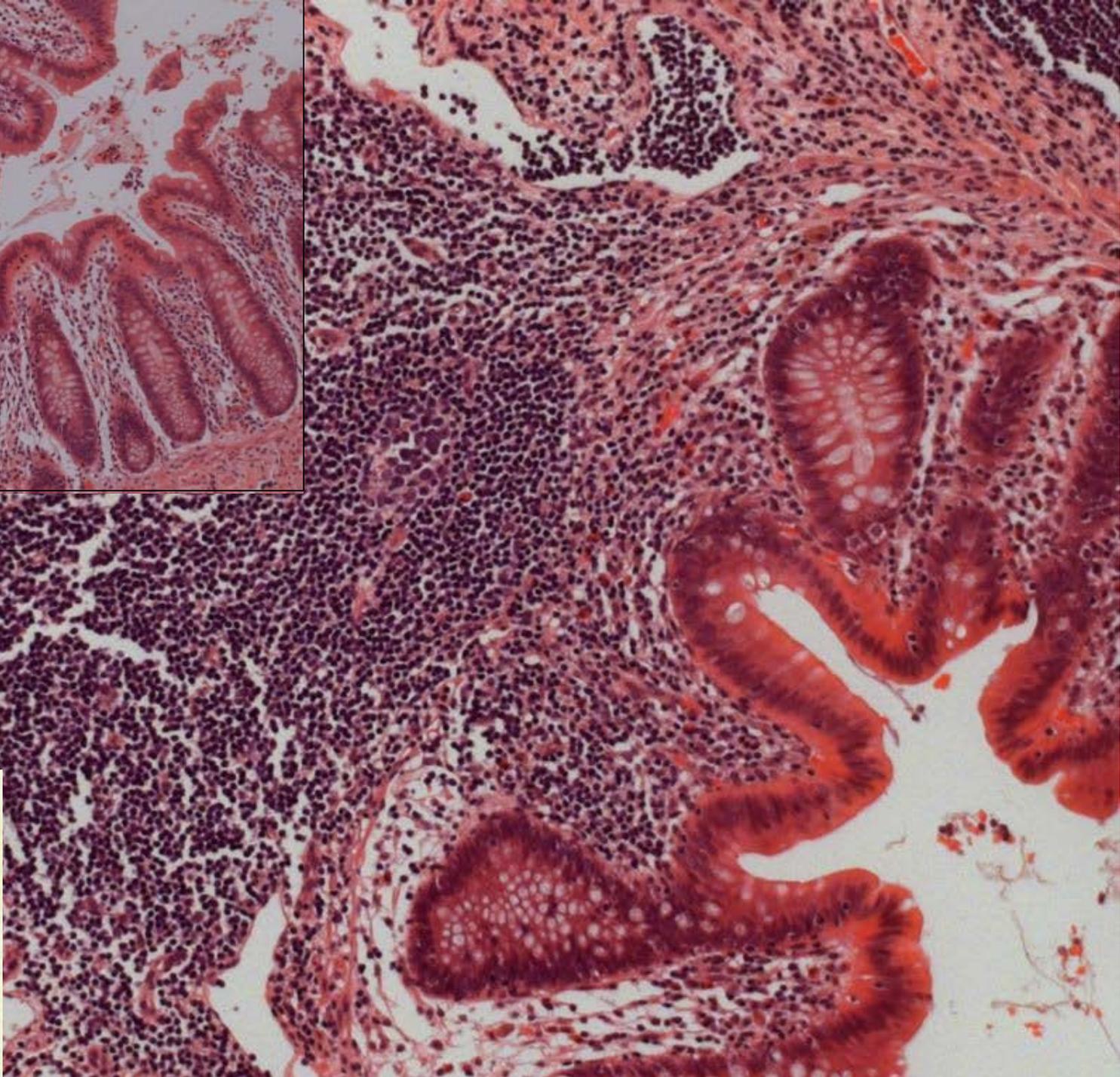




Human appendix



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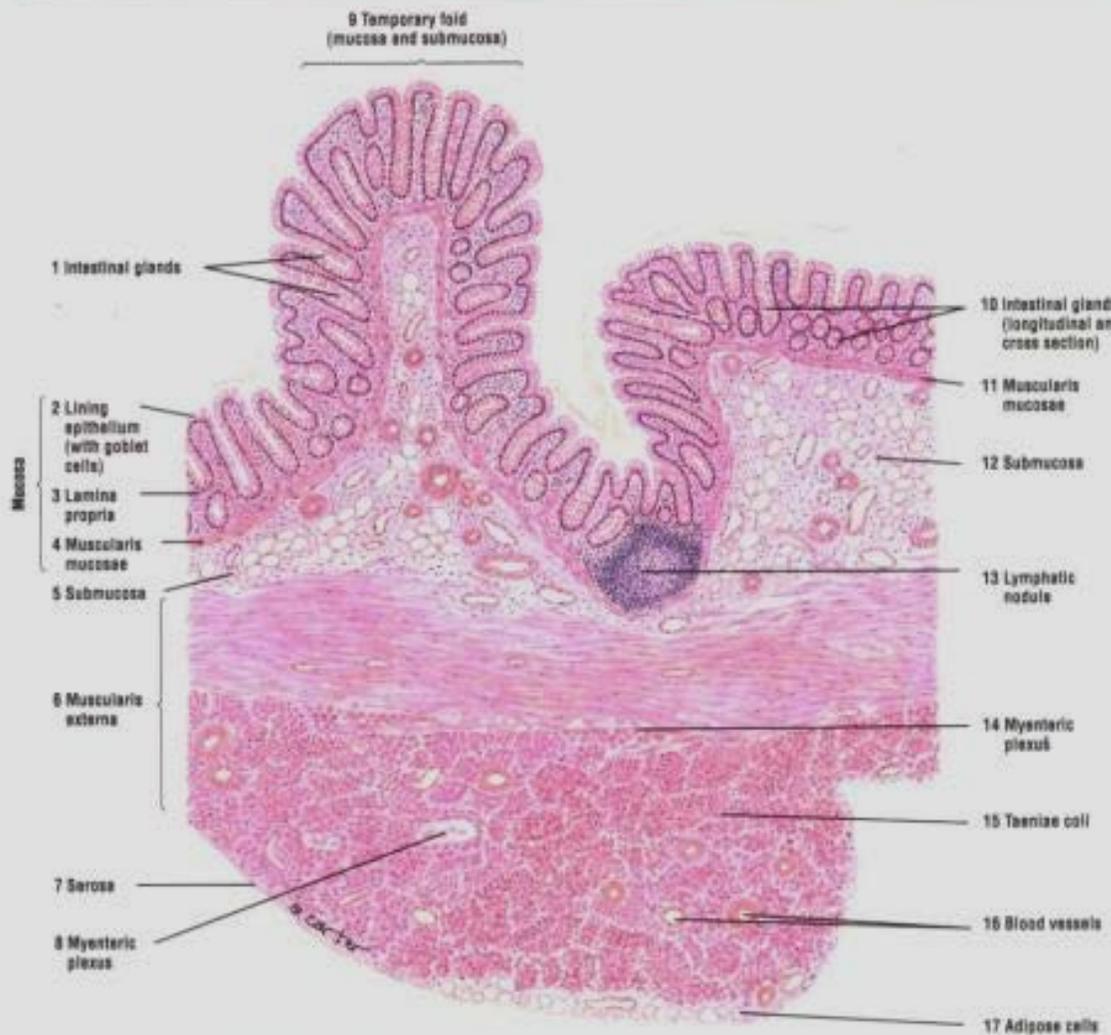


Fig. 12-7 Large Intestine: Colon Wall (transverse section). Stain: hematoxylin-eosin. Medium magnification.



Fig. 12-10 Anal Canal (longitudinal section). Stain: hematoxylin-eosin. Low magnification.

Large intestines

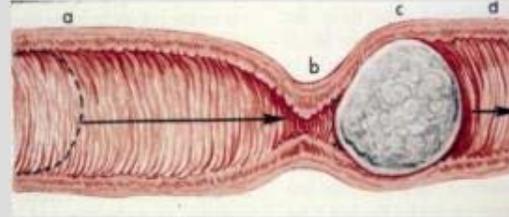
Anal skin



# In summary

## Function of the Digestive System

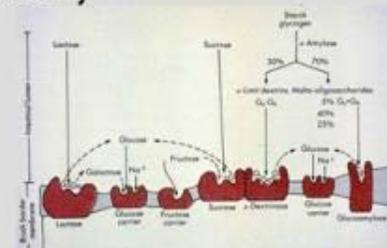
Movement of food



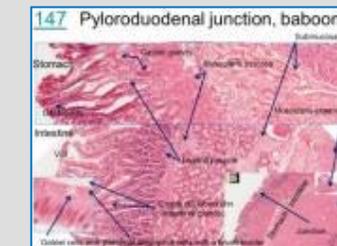
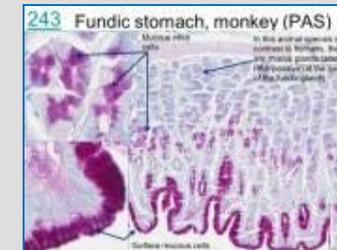
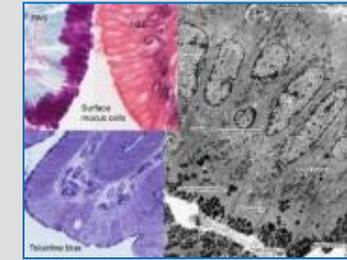
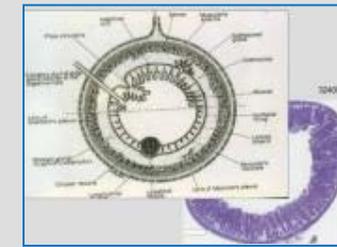
Secretion of digestive juices



Absorption of digested foods, water, and electrolytes



The digestive system functions to obtain metabolites, yet maintain a barrier between the environment and the internal milieu of the body.



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# Questions on the Digestive system

1. Which of these cells is/are found both in the stomach and intestines?
  - a. enteroendocrine (argentaffin cells)
  - b. fibroblasts
  - c. goblet cell
  - d. **a and b**
  - e. a, b, and c
  
2. The digestive system functions to obtain metabolites necessary for growth and energy needs; however, it must maintain a barrier between the environment and the internal milieu of the body. Which of the following is the least effective feature of this barrier?
  - a. composition of saliva
  - b. acid environment of the stomach
  - c. large volume of mucus produced into the lumen of the large intestine
  - d. **the chylomicron fat absorption mechanism via central lacteal**
  - e. nearby and abundant immune defense structures and mechanisms

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