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PREFACE.

THE purpose of this book is to furnish laboratory instructions adapted for use in any standard course of normal Histology. With the exception of gross anatomy, no laboratory subject today enjoys more uniformity of presentation than does Histology. In the study of the fundamental tissues greater flexibility of treatment exists than in the microscopic anatomy of organs, yet in both definite routine structures must be observed and their inter-relations and significance emphasized. For this reason it is hoped that a laboratory guide designed to accomplish these ends, without reference to the peculiarities of any particular course, may prove useful.

For the most part, directions involving fresh tissues and organs, or specially stained and treated preparations, illustrative of uncommon features, have been omitted. This is done not with the intention of minimizing their importance, but because it is in these minutiae that courses vary most.

An attempt has been made to put the treatment throughout on an inductive basis. Rather than presenting a mere list of structures to be identified, in so far as is practicable, the student is led to scrutinize, explain, and reach independent conclusions. The frequent interjection of appropriate queries should relieve the instructor of much tedious and often belated individual quizzing and directing.

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A LABORATORY GUIDE IN HISTOLOGY.

INTRODUCTION.

The directions in this manual are designed to economize the student's time by reducing to a minimum the misdirected energy which is inevitable when an unfamiliar subject is pursued without guidance. The instructions for each topic are arranged in logical sequence and should be followed in the order given.

Theoretically it is desirable to approach laboratory work with one's mind unbiased by preconceptions derived from texts. Owing, however, to the crowded curriculum this time-consuming method is impracticable. Hence it is essential to prepare for each laboratory period by reading previously an account of the work to be covered that day. In this way a preparation and perspective are gained which can not be obtained by using the laboratory as a reading room.

The ability to make accurate observations is the hardest of all accomplishments, yet it is the one indispensable requisite for scientific achievement. To merely look and to intelligently observe are distinct processes. How often have we looked at our watch only to have to immediately look again when asked the time! Endeavor to develop the ability to make independent observations and conclusions, avoiding, in so far as possible, slavish dependence on books. Follow Agassiz's advice: '*Study Nature not books.*'

Students often waste much time by not planning their work and properly distributing the available working time. Always begin by studying preparations under low magnification, thereby learning the general topography or architecture; finally, under high magnification, systematically work out the detailed structure part by part.

Become thoroughly familiar with a preparation before attempting to draw it. Draw only when its structure has been mastered, a suitable field chosen, and when a decision has been reached as to the features to be portrayed and the size and style of drawing which will best accomplish this end.

Remember that the making of drawings is not Histology. It is, however, a successful method of teaching Histology. The act of carefully drawing an object in its accurate proportions, and of representing faithfully its minute anatomy automatically fixes its structure upon the mind. Moreover, it both stimulates further observation and the correction of erroneous ideas, for it is astounding how imperfect one's knowledge appears when an attempt is made to express it pictorially.

Drawings should portray the actual preparations studied. The adaption of text figures or the including of features not seen personally constitutes one type of intellectual dishonesty.

Some students seek to excuse poor or slovenly drawings on the basis that they 'are not artists.' Although the natural aptitude for drawing varies, the failure to produce creditable work is inexcusable. Poor drawings are due to insufficient knowledge of the structures involved, and to lack of neatness, care, and endeavor. So-called artistic drawings are often worthless as accurate observational records, whereas patience, interest, and a sharp pencil need never fail to produce an acceptable result.

Finally, do not fall into the error of basing conclusions on single observations—the particular region you observed may have been atypical or have involved artefacts or pathological changes. Unfortunately Histology, of necessity, deals largely with sections confined to a single plane. Learn to analyze a structure and to reconstruct it mentally as a visualized model. *Avoid becoming a two-dimensional histologist.*

PART I.—CYTOLOGY.

CHAPTER I.

THE CELL AND CELL DIVISION.

A. Resting Cell.

1. **Squamous cells.** Place scrapings from the inside of the cheek on a slide, add a drop of alcohol and cover with cover-slip. Note the scale-like *cells*, their shape, *granules*, and prominent *nuclei*. Are such cells living?

2. **Liver cells of salamander.** Study single cells intensively, noting: shape and size of *cells* and *nuclei*; *cell membrane*; *cytoplasm*; *spongioplasm* (cytoreticulum) of fused cytoplasmic granules; *hyaloplasm* (cytolymph) occupying interstices; *nuclear membrane*; *chromatin net*; *chromatin knots* (*karyosomes*); *karyoplasm*.

3. **Mammalian ovum.** Study the large spherical ova only, disregarding the surrounding follicle cells and other ovarian tissue. In addition to the structures seen in (2) observe the distinctly rounded *nucleolus*. Define a nucleolus; a karyosome.

4. **Multipolar nerve cell.** (From ventral horn of spinal cord.) Identify and study: *cytoplasm*; '*Nissl granules*'; *cell processes*; *nucleus*; *nucleolus*.

Compare corresponding structures in the several types of cells studied. What do you conclude as to the structure of protoplasm? Functions of nucleus and cytoplasm?

B. Amitosis.

Study budding cells of yeast or constricting epithelial cells of bladder. Note various stages in the formation of daughter cells.

C. Mitosis.

1. Study stages in the mitotic division of animal or plant cells. (Centrosomes and astral rays are not present in the cells of flowering plants.) Become familiar with the characteristic features of the following stages:

- (a) **Prophase:** Loose and close *spireme*; formation of *chromosomes*; *nuclear membrane?*; *equatorial plate* in side and end view; *centrosome?*
- (b) **Metaphase:** *Nuclear membrane?*; chromosome division; *spindle*; *asters*.
- (c) **Anaphase:** Stages in the migration of chromosomes to the poles of the spindle.
- (d) **Telophase:** Formation of *daughter nuclei*; reappearance of *nuclear membrane*; *centrosome?*; division of cytoplasm; general return to resting condition.

What does the complicated process of mitosis accomplish? Significance of chromosomes? What are the causative stimuli of cell division?

2. Compare with normal mitoses stages from *pathological (cancerous) tissue*. Observe *multipolar* and *asymmetrical types*.

PART II.—HISTOLOGY.

CHAPTER II.

THE EPITHELIAL TISSUES.

A. Simple Epithelia.

1. Squamous.

- (a) *Mesothelium*. Study surface of mesothelium, from the mesentery, the cell outlines of which have been made prominent by treatment with silver. Note: shape of *cells*; sinuous *cell boundaries*; position and shape of *nucleus*.

Explain the silver deposit. What is *intercellular cement*? Define a mesothelium.

- (b) *Endothelium*. Study silvered preparation of capillaries. Compare the shape and outline of cells with those of a mesothelium. Define an endothelium.

- (c) *Squamous Epithelium* (e.g., amnion). In transverse sections, note the spindle shape of cells and position of nuclei. What would be their appearance in surface view? Could you model a cell with clay?

2. Cubical.

- (a) *Transverse sections* (e.g., allantois). Note the shape of the cells and the position and size of their nuclei.

- (b) *Surface view* (e.g., allantois). Observe the regularity of the design. How many sides have the cells? Reason? Frequency of exceptions?

3. Columnar.

- (a) From the small intestine. Note: shape of *cell*;

free end; basal end; cuticula; basement membrane (membrana propria); position of nucleus; arrangement of cytoplasmic granules; unicellular (goblet) gland cells; intercellular cement; terminal bars.

In the goblet cells, note: position of *nucleus; cytoplasm; secretion*; character of the secretion and stages in its formation; discharged cells.

What is a cuticula? Cuticle? Structure of basement membranes? Origin and function of goblet cells? Does a goblet cell die after it discharges?

(b) Compare the columnar epithelium just studied with that of the colon.

B. Pseudo-stratified Epithelia.

1. **From epididymis.** Note: *basal cells; fusiform cells; columnar cells*; the latter bear false (non-vibratile) *cilia* which may appear to be fused into 'brushes.'

2. **From trachea.** The columnar cells bear true cilia.

How does this type of epithelium merit its name? In what situations does it occur? Do the three cell types represent growth stages?

C. Stratified Epithelia.

1. Transitional.

(a) *From an undistended bladder.* Note the number of strata and the *basal, club-shaped, and squamous* types of *cells*. How does this tissue merit its name?

(b) *From a distended bladder.* Compare with (a). Explain the changed appearance.

2. Stratified squamous.

(a) *From the front of the cornea.* Note that this epithelium, although but a few cells deep, shows intergrades between *columnar* and *squamous cells*.

- (b) *In a typical section*, note: *basement membrane*; the gradual transition in: (1) the shape and size of cells; (2) the condition of the *nucleus*; (3) the cytoplasmic structure; '*prickle cells*' with '*inter-cellular bridges*'; their function?

How is a stratified epithelium originally formed? Does a similar process continue throughout life? Do cilia or unicellular glands ever occur? Explain the causes of cell flattening.

3. **Stratified cubical.**

e. g., Epidermis of an amphibian. Compare with preceding.

D. Modified Epithelia.

1. **Glandular.**

- (a) *Unicellular*. Goblet cells have been studied in a previous exercise (p. 17).
- (b) *Multicellular*. Study vertical section of the skin of an amphibian. Note: *lumen* of gland; *duct*; shape of component cells. From what cells was this gland derived?

(The cytology of gland cells and the structure of various glands will be studied in detail later in the course.)

2. **Ciliated.**

- (a) *Stained preparations*. Length and size of *cilia*? How many cilia to a cell? Views as to structure and action?
- (b) *Intestinal epithelium of the clam*. In sections, note: *cilia* ending in *basal bodies* (centrosomes?), from which a brush of cytoplasmic *fibrillæ* extends along one side of the *nucleus*.
- (c) *Action of cilia*. Examine scrapings from a frog's throat placed in normal salt solution. Observe

ciliary action. How do cilia accomplish effective work? In a small sheet of epithelium in surface view observe the successive wave effects. Compare with waves in water or in a wind-blown field of grain.

3. Pigmented.

(a) *Pigmented retinal epithelium*. Note: position of *nuclei* and the pigment-free, adjacent *cytoplasm*; *pigment granules*. In lower vertebrates pigment changes its position in darkness and in light. Does this occur in man?

(b) *Pigmented epidermal cells*. Do all cells of the epithelium contain pigment?

4. Neuro-epithelium.

(a) *Gustatory sense cells*. Study *taste cells* from *taste bud* of tongue. Observe the spindle shape and the *sensory bristle* at the free end.

(b) *Olfactory sense cells*. Spindle-shaped cells whose round nuclei occupy a middle zone in the epithelium.

(c) *Auditory sense cells*. Note the numerous *hairs*. Their function?

(d) *Visual sense cells*. Identify the *rod* and *cone cells* of the *retinal epithelium* and the various differentiated portions of these specialized cells.

CHAPTER III.

THE SUSTENTATIVE TISSUES.

A. Connective Tissue.

I. Embryonic.

Mesenchyme. Study the mesenchymal cells of a young embryo. Are there discrete cells? What is a *syncytium*? What occupies the intercellular spaces? What is the significance of studying this embryonic tissue at this point?

II. Loose fibrous tissue.

1. *Reticular tissue.*

- (a) Examine under very low magnification a thin slice of a lymphoid organ which has been subjected to tryptic digestion, leaving the connective-tissue framework alone. Observe the minutely branching trestle-work of reticular tissue. Focus freely.
- (b) Study the reticulum in sections of a lymphoid organ. Note: *cells*; their shape; position of *nucleus*; *fibrillæ*; anastomosing *processes*; sharpness of cell outlines.

How does reticular tissue differ from mesenchyma?
What occupies the interstices between cells?
Where in the body is reticular tissue found?
What is '*lymphoid tissue*'?

2. *Mucous tissue.*

- (a) Study a region in a transverse section of the umbilical cord, remote from blood vessels. Note: *cells*; *nuclei*; character of *cytoplasm*; *cell processes*; *in-*

tercellular matrix. Do all processes anastomose? Is this tissue a syncytium? Nature of matrix? Is mucous tissue found in adults?

- (b) Study a region near blood vessels. Note: modification of cell shapes; *mucin*; *white fibers* and their relation to *cells*. How are white fibers formed?

3. *Areolar tissue*.

- (a) Tease a small shred of subcutaneous fascia in normal saline. Mount and examine. Note: wavy bundles of *white fibers*; do either fibers or bundles branch?; single, hair-like, tense *elastic fibers*; anastomoses?

Compare size of single white and elastic fibers. Adaptation of areolar tissue to its uses?

Draw 1 per cent. acetic acid under cover slip with filter paper. Observe immediately and explain result.

- (b) Sections of the digestive tube show well areolar tissue between the epithelial and muscular layers; with ordinary stains elastic fibers are not seen.
- (c) Study preparations of teased fascia stained, *e. g.*, with orange G and orcein. What can be said of the specificity of these stains? Follow single elastic fibers and observe anastomoses.
- (d) Study films of areolar tissue stained with methylene blue. Observe various forms of '*connective tissue corpuscles*' in the interspaces and, rarely, migratory granular *leucocytes* ('mast' cells, etc.).

III. Compact fibrous tissue.

1. *Elastic tissue*.

- (a) Teased or sectioned ligamentum nuchæ of ox. Note: size, shape, and anastomoses of *fibers*; *fiber sheath*?; interfibrillar substance?; what is it?
- (b) Study elastic tissue in a section of aorta stained differentially for *elastin*. Look for branching and

anastomoses. Where else in the body does dense elastic tissue occur?

- (c) Study in surface view an elastic membrane dissected from an aorta. Why called a '*fenestrated membrane*'? Revise your knowledge derived in (b).

2. *Tendon (compact white fibrous).*

- (a) *Transverse sections.* Note: *epitendineum* (*vagina fibrosa*); *peritendineum* (radial septa); *blood vessels*; *perifascicular septa* (*endotendineum*); *fasciculi*; *tendon cells*; their shape, wing-like *processes*, and *nuclei*; *primary fiber bundles*; *fibrillæ*? Real shape of tendon cells? Relation of cells to fiber bundles?
- (b) *Longitudinal sections.* Note: parallel *fiber bundles*; *fibrillæ*?; *nuclei*; their arrangement.

Fitness of tendon for its uses? What is the structure of *ligaments*, *fasciæ*, and *aponeuroses*?

IV. Modified connective tissue.

1. *Adipose tissue.*

- (a) Study stages in the formation and coalescence of fat droplets (specifically stained) forming in connective tissue. (If such preparations are not available, similar stages in the elaboration of fat droplets may be found in mammary gland cells.)
- (b) '*Signet*' *fat cells.* These represent moderately distended cells in connective tissue, free from pressure. Observe the position of the *cytoplasm* and its abundance near and remote from *nucleus*. Resemblance of cell to signet ring? Is fat actually present in this preparation? Explain.
- (c) *Aggregated fat cells* (e. g., in the panniculus adiposus). Observe separation into *lobules* by un-

modified connective tissue. Shape of cells? Reason? Functions of adipose tissue?

- (d) Study in surface view mesentery stained with hematoxylin and Sudan III or Scharlack R. With what structures are fat cells chiefly associated? Significance? Staining activity of hematoxylin? Of Sudan III? Specificity of the fat stain? Its use as a test? Other specific fat stains?

2. *Pigment cells.*

Observe pigment cells from the dermis of an amphibian or the scale of a fish. Note: *nucleus; cell processes; melanin granules in cytoplasm.*

Constancy of processes? Correlation of pigment distribution and body color in living animal?

B. Cartilage.

1. Hyaline cartilage.

- (a) Mount fresh sections of *articular cartilage* (e.g., frog's femur) in picric acid solution. Note: *perichondrium; cartilage cells* (single and in groups) and their arrangement; appearance of cells near and remote from perichondrium; *cytoplasmic granules; matrix; blood vessels?*

Significance of cartilage cell groups?

- (b) Study sections of hyaline cartilage. Note: *perichondrium* (outer and inner layer) and its composition; transition to *cartilage*; youngest *cartilage cells*; single mature *cells* and *cell groups*; *lacunæ*; *lacunar capsule*; *matrix*; *blood vessels?*

What are the events of perichondrial cartilage growth?

Explain the relation of matrix, lacunar capsule, lacunæ, and cells from the standpoint of interstitial cartilage growth. Explain presence of more or less isolated cells and cell groups from the standpoint of growth; can intermediate stages be found? Do lacunæ exist in life? What is 'gristle'? Distribution of hyaline cartilage in the body?

2. Elastic cartilage.

In sections (stained for elastin), note: *perichondrium*; *cell groups*; *capsules*; *matrix*; *elastic fibers* and their anastomoses; *white fibers*?; relation to perichondrium; blood vessels?

Color of fresh tissue? Reason? Occurrence of elastic cartilage in the body?

3. Fibro-cartilage.

In sections, note: shape, structure, and arrangement of *cells*; their relation to *matrix*; arrangement of *white fibrous tissue bundles*; *perichondrium*? Distribution of fibro-cartilage?

Compare critically hyaline, fibro-, and elastic cartilage.

C. Bone.

1. Adult bone.

(a) *Decalcified long bone*. In a transverse section, note: *periosteum*; number and composition of its layers; *perforating fibers* (of Sharpey); their purpose?; *periosteal (outer circumferential) lamellæ*; *Haversian systems*; *interstitial lamellæ*; *endosteal (inner circumferential) lamellæ*; *endosteum*; *marrow cavity*; with what does it connect?; *marrow*.

(b) *Ground bone*.

(a') *Transverse sections*. The organic matter has been removed by maceration. Note: *periosteal lamellæ*; *Volkman's canals*; *Haversian systems*; concentric *Haversian lamellæ*; *lacunæ*; *canaliculi*; *interstitial lamellæ* and arrangement of their lacunæ.

What occupies Haversian canals?; lacunæ?; canaliculi? Inter-relation of these structures? Relation of lacunæ to lamellæ?

(b') *Longitudinal sections.* Observe anastomoses of *Haversian canals* and *systems* and their relation to the *marrow cavity*. Identify all structures possible.

(c) In decalcified preparations of peeled-off lamellæ viewed on the flat (or by means of text figures) observe the fibrous basis of lamellæ. What are the *decussating fibers* (of Sharpey)?

2. Development of bone.

(a) *Intramembranous ossification.*

In sections of developing membrane bone, note: *periosteum* and its inner layer of *osteoblasts*; connective-tissue *matrix*; *bone spicules* and *matrix*; *osteogenic fibers* at the growing tips of spicules continuous with connective-tissue fibers; *osteoblasts*; *bone cells*; *osteoclasts*; *Howship's lacunæ*.

Become familiar with the rôle of each of the above in the process of early and late bone formation.

(b) *Intracartilaginous ossification.*

In sections of an ossifying cartilage bone, note: *perichondrium* and its transition to *periosteum*; structure of the outer *fibrous* and inner *osteogenic layer* of periosteum; periosteal buds of 'irrupted' *osteogenic tissue*.

Near center of cartilage observe the center of ossification with its *primary marrow cavities*. From the extremities toward this center note the change in the shape, size, and arrangement of the *cartilage cells*. Identify: *calcifying cartilage matrix*; *bony spicules* and *matrix*; *osteoblasts*; *bone cells*; *osteoclasts*; *Howship's lacunæ*.

By what means and how completely is calcified cartilage resorbed? Acquire a vivid mental picture

of the complete process of intracartilaginous ossification in light of the preparation before you. What is the ultimate fate of bone formed in this way? Observe the intramembranous ossification taking place under the periosteum. Its relation to the adult 'long' bone? How do long bones increase in diameter and in length? Origin of Haversian systems? Interpretation of interstitial lamellæ?

D. Blood.

1. Erythroplastids and leucocytes.

- (a) Make a fresh preparation of amphibian blood. Note: *erythrocytes*: their size; shape; color; *nucleus*; *leucocytes*: their relative abundance; size; shape; *pseudopodia*; *nucleus*; *cytoplasmic granules*; *ectoplasm*? Select an active leucocyte and observe its changes in form and *ameboid movement*.
- (b) Make a fresh preparation of undiluted human blood and examine immediately. Note: single *erythroplastids*; *rouleaux*; *leucocytes* and their relative abundance; *crenated corpuscles*. Explain all conditions observed.
- (c) Make a fresh preparation of human blood diluted in .85 per cent. saline solution. Note: *erythroplastids*: their shape (make many observations in surface and edge view); color; *nucleus*?; changing appearance of red corpuscles at high and low focus; *leucocytes*: their shape, *cell processes*?; *ameboid movements*?; *nucleus*; *cytoplasmic granules*.
- (d) To the preparation last used add .4 per cent. saline solution by drawing it under the cover glass with filter paper. Shape of erythroplastids? Next draw under tap water. Observe immediately and explain the occurrences of the entire experiment. What is 'laking'? What are 'blood shadows'?

- (e) Make a new fresh preparation of human blood and dilute with .11 per cent. saline solution. Observe the effect on red corpuscles and formulate a rational explanation for *all* the phenomena observed in (d) and (e).

2. Blood platelets.

Prick finger through a drop of methyl violet in .85 per cent. saline solution. Mount and examine. Note: *leucocytes* and their *nuclei*; *blood platelets*: their shape, relative size, frequency, and structure; tendency to aggregate in groups? What are platelets? Origin? Function?

3. Stained smears.

In stained preparations determine the approximate relative frequency of red and white corpuscles. Study carefully the cytology of leucocytes according to the following classification:

- (1) *Lymphocytes*. (about the size of red corpuscle or somewhat larger): narrow rim of non-granular cytoplasm; round checkered nuclei.
- (2) *Large mononuclear leucocytes* (two or three times size of red corpuscles): considerable non-granular cytoplasm; pale, round or bean-shaped nuclei.
- (3) *Polymorphonuclear leucocytes* (larger than red corpuscles): granular cytoplasm; nucleus variously constricted.
 - (a) *Eosinophiles (oxyphiles)*: coarse eosinophilic granules.
 - (b) *Basophiles* (mast cells): coarse basophilic granules.
 - (c) *Neutrophiles*: fine neutrophilic granules.

Compare critically each type with the others and estimate the relative frequencies. Do true *polynuclear* forms occur? Are blood platelets present? Which types are most actively ameboid and phagocytic?

Primary origin of *basophilic* and *eosinophilic granules*?

4. Fibrin.

Study stained fibrin. Note: *fibrin filaments* and their arrangement; *blood platelets*; relation of platelets to fibrin; significance?

5. Blood crystals.

Examine crystals of (a) *hemoglobin* and (b) *hemin* and observe their size, shape, color, and relation to one another. Compare.

6. Technique of smears and staining.

(a) *Wright's Blood Stain.*

- (1) Touch drop of fresh blood to slide or cover glass (cleaned with alcohol). With a quick, even stroke of a cover glass spread this drop into a thin film. Wave smear preparation in air to hasten drying.
- (2) Cover preparation with Wright's stain and allow it to act for *one* minute.
- (3) Add to the stain on the film about an equal amount of distilled water, drop by drop, until the stain becomes translucent (*not* transparent) and a yellowish, metallic scum appears on the surface. Let stand for *two and one-half* minutes (not longer).
- (4) Decolorize by dipping preparation into distilled water until the thinnest parts of the film are pinkish orange when held to the light. The original blue coloration should practically disappear.
- (5) Draw off surplus water, blot gently, and set away to dry.
- (6) When thoroughly dry, mount in balsam.

(b) *Jenner's Blood Stain.*

- (1) Stain smears for *two* to *five* minutes.
- (2) Rinse briefly in water, blot, dry, and mount.

E. Bone Marrow.

1. **Red bone marrow.** In sections and smears, note: *megakaryocytes*; *myelocytes*; stages (*erythroblast*; *normoblast*) in the formation of *erythroplastids*; various types of *leucocytes*; *reticulum*; *fat*.

Shape of *megakaryocyte nucleus* (decide only after studying many)? Function of megakaryocytes? Name all functions of embryonic and adult bone marrow. In what situations does it occur?

2. **Yellow bone marrow.** Compare with red marrow as to structure, function, and distribution.

CHAPTER IV.

THE MUSCULAR TISSUES.

A. Non-striate (Smooth) Muscle.

1. *Teased cells.* Note: shape of isolated *cells*; shape, position, and size of *nucleus*; *sarcoplasm*, *perinuclear cytoplasm*; *myofibrils*?

2. *Sections* (e. g., bladder; intestine).

- (a) Observe the inter-relation of cells cut longitudinally. Compare apparent lengths of cells with isolated elements. Explain. Compare shape of nuclei with those of connective tissue; diagnostic value?
- (b) In fibers cut transversely, note: shape and variable size of *fibers*; position of *nucleus*; *intercellular material*; arrangement in *bundles*. Explain variable size of fibers and inconstancy of nucleus. Distribution of smooth muscle in the body?

3. *Blood supply.* In sections of injected smooth muscle observe *capillaries* and their anastomoses and relation to *muscle fibers*.

B. Striate Muscle.

I. Cardiac muscle.

1. *Longitudinal sections.* Note: shape, size, and branching of '*cells*'; *sarcolemma*; *intercalated discs*; shape and position of *nuclei*; *sarcoplasm*; *myofibrils*; *light (isotropic)* and *dark (anisotropic) bands*; inter-muscular *connective tissue*.

Do intercalated discs mark cell boundaries? Is there always a nucleus between two successive discs? Search preparation for evidence on these points.

2. *Transverse sections.* Note: *fibers*; their variable shape; position of *nuclei*; *sarcoplasm*; position of

myofibrils; sarcolemma; intermuscular connective tissue; capillaries. Explain frequent absence of nuclei.

II. Skeletal muscle.

1. *Teased fibers.* Tease a small fragment of fresh muscle in normal saline solution and examine. Note: size and shape of *fibers; myofibrils; cross striations; nuclei; sarcolemma.*

Add 1 per cent. acetic acid and observe again.

2. *Longitudinal sections.* Note: size and shape of *fibers; branching?; endomysium* and its *nuclei; sarcolemma; shape, position, and number of muscle cell nuclei; sarcoplasm; myofibrils; sarcostyles (Koelliker's columns); light (isotropic) bands, bisected by Krause's membrane (Z); dark (anisotropic) bands bisected by Hensen's membrane (M); on either side of Krause's membrane an accessory membrane (N).*

The Z lines divide the fibers into homologous segments (*sarcomeres*). Number of nuclei to a fiber? Is the fiber a syncytium? Length of a fiber? Study the sarcolemma in torn or shrunken fibers.

3. *Transverse sections.* Note: *epimysium; perimysium; fascicles; endomysium; blood vessels; sarcolemma; sarcoplasm; nuclei; their position; areas of Cohnheim; fibrils.*

Relation of Cohnheim's areas to Koelliker's columns? Interpretation of Cohnheim's areas? What visible changes occur in muscle fibers during contraction? Theories of contraction? Why do muscles enlarge with exercise? Compare critically cardiac and skeletal muscle.

4. *Blood supply.* In sections of injected skeletal muscle observe the abundance of anastomosing *capillaries* and their intimate relation to *muscle fibers.*

5. *Relation of muscle to tendon.* Study longitudinal sections through the junction of the two. Observe the mode of insertion and attachment of muscle fibers. Do muscle fibers end abruptly?

CHAPTER V.
THE NERVOUS TISSUES.

A. Cells.

1. **Multipolar cell** (of spinal cord). Note: *nucleus*; *nucleolus*; *chromatin*?; *cytoplasm*; *neurofibrils*; *Nissl granules*?; *dendrons* and their number; *axon*; how distinguished from dendron?; *implantation cone* (*axon hillock*).

Toluidin blue preparations. Compare structures with those just seen. Note: size, number, and location of '*Nissl granules*.' Are they found in dendrons? In axons? Function? Causes and significance of *chromatolysis*?

2. **Purkinje cell** (of cerebellum). Note: shape of *cells*; *axon*; *collaterals*?; *dendrons* and extent and system of branching.

3. **Pyramidal cell** (of motor cortex). Note: shape; direction of apex; *axon collaterals*?; *dendrons*; *branches*.

4. **Spinal ganglion cell**. Note: cell structure; intracellular *neurofibrils*?; short intra- or extracapsular *dendrons*? '*end discs*'?; fused *axon* and *dendron*; its intracapsular convolutions; do its components again separate?; *capsule* and its relation to the surrounding *connective tissue*.

5. **Sympathetic ganglion cell**. Compare with (4) structure for structure. Wherein do they differ?

Size limits of nerve cells? What is a neuron? Its maximum length? Define an *axon* and *dendron*. Function of each.

6. **Neuroglia cells and fibers**. Identify '*spider*' and '*mossy*' *cells*. Appearance and distribution of fibers? Their relation to the cells? Origin and function of neuroglia tissue?

B. Fibers.

I. Myelinated fibers.

1. *Teased fibers.* Note: *axis cylinder; neurofibrils?; myelin sheath; myelin segments; incisures and segments of Schmidt-Lantermann; their interpretation?; neurilemma (sheath of Schwann); its nuclei; nodes of Ranvier; internodal segments.*

Why does osmic acid stain myelin black? Is the myelin sheath cellular? Its probable function? What is a possible explanation for the existence of nodes of Ranvier? Length of neurilemma cells?

2. *Transverse section of a peripheral nerve trunk.* Note: *epineurium; perineurium; endoneurium; Henle's sheath; fascicles; fibers; axis cylinder; neurofibrils; neuroplasm; myelin sheath; neurilemma.*

Are fibers uniform in size? Significance? Are the neurilemma and sarcolemma homologous structures?

3. Study preparations which show the *neurokeratin framework* selectively stained. In silvered preparations observe the 'cross of Ranvier' at the nodes. Explain.

II. Unmyelinated fibers.

Observe: *axis cylinder; neurilemma?; sheath nuclei.*
Do nodes occur?

III. Nerve terminations.

Study preparations showing: *free nerve endings; muscle spindles; tactile and lamellar corpuscles, motor end plates, etc.*

PART III.—MICROSCOPIC ANATOMY OF ORGANS.

CHAPTER VI.

THE CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.

A. Capillaries and Precapillaries.

1. Study *capillaries* in pia mater or mesentery. Note: *endothelium*; *endothelial nuclei*; cell boundaries; supporting sheath? How can the diameter of these vessels in micra be estimated?

2. In the same preparation find *precapillaries*. Presence of other coats besides endothelium? How can *arterial precapillaries* be distinguished from *venous precapillaries*? Distinguish the nuclei of endothelium, smooth muscle, and connective tissue by their shape and orientation.

3. Observe the shape and orientation of endothelial cells in silvered mesentery or pia mater. Nuclei?

4. Study (e.g., in placental villi) transverse sections of *capillaries* and *precapillaries*.

B. Arterioles and Venules.

1. Examine larger vessels in the pia mater or mesentery. Distinguish an *outer (connective tissue) coat*, *middle (muscular) coat*, and *inner (endothelial) coat*. Differentiate the nuclei of these coats.

2. In sections find an *arteriole* and *venule* of the same size.

Note: *tunica intima*; *tunica media*; *tunica externa*. Compare their relative thicknesses. Relative size of lumina?

- (a) *Arteriole*. In the *tunica intima* peripheral to the endothelium distinguish the *internal elastic membrane*. Is it a complete membrane? What fundamental tissues comprise the *media* and *externa*?
- (b) *Venule*. Compare the *intima* carefully with that of the arteriole. *Internal elastic membrane*?

C. Arteries.

1. *Transverse section of a medium-sized artery*. Observe the relative thickness of the three tunics and the fundamental tissues in each.

- (a) *Tunica intima*. Note: *endothelium*; how many cells thick?; *subendothelial layer*; what fundamental tissue is it?; *internal elastic membrane*; to which tunic does it belong?
- (b) *Tunica media*. Note: arrangement and relative amount of *elastic* and *muscular tissue*; reason?; presence of *elastic membranes*?; reason?
- (c) *Tunica externa*. Is it sharply delimited? Tissues present and their arrangement? Note: *external elastic membrane*; is it a single membrane?; to what tunic does it belong?; *vasa vasorum*.

2. *Transverse section of the aorta*. Compare intensively with medium-sized artery. Note: difference in *tunica intima*; composition of *media*; amount and disposition of *elastic tissue*; relative thickness of tunics.

3. Examine a *fenestrated membrane* mounted on the flat. Propriety of this name?

4. For comparison study a *small artery*. Observe the relative thickness of the tunics and compare the amount

and distribution of elastic tissue in small-, medium-, and large-sized arteries.

D. Veins.

1. *Transverse section of a medium-sized vein.* Observe the relative thickness of the three tunics. Follow the directions above for a medium-sized artery. Do the following structures occur: *internal elastic membrane?*; elastic tissue in *media?*; *external elastic membrane?* Compare with medium-sized artery part for part.

2. Study for comparison a *small vein*. Is there a *sub-endothelial layer?* Note relative thickness of tunics and compare with a medium-sized vein and a small artery.

3. *Longitudinal section through a vein and valve.* Note: *tunics* of vein; arrangement of smooth muscle in *media*; tunics involved in the *valve*; *constituent tissues* of valve.

E. Heart.

In a section identify the three layers corresponding to the tunics of a blood vessel. In the *epicardium* observe an outer *mesothelium* and inner *areolar tissue*. Between the *cardiac muscle fibers* of the *myocardium* note the *endomysium*. The *endocardium* consists of *endothelial* and *subendothelial layers*.

F. Lymph Vessels.

Transverse section of the *thoracic duct*. Identify the three tunics. Which type of blood vessel does it most closely resemble? Compare with a blood vessel of the same caliber.

CHAPTER VII.

THE LYMPHATIC ORGANS.

A. Diffuse Lymphoid Tissue.

1. Study the structure of *lymphoid tissue* (formerly called *adenoid tissue*). What fundamental tissue forms the branched and anastomosing meshwork? Identify the various types of cells occupying the interstices.

2. Observe the diffuse lymphoid tissue beneath the epithelial lining of the intestinal tract.

B. Lymph Nodules.

1. Solitary nodules.

These may be found just beneath the intestinal epithelium. Note: their greater compactness, which delimits them from the surrounding diffuse lymphoid tissue; pale *germinal center*; does every nodule possess one?; *mitoses*.

Compare the cells in the germinal center and periphery with respect to the amount of cytoplasm and the size and stainability of their nuclei. Why is the germinal center pale? Appropriateness of this name?

Compare with the more frequent solitary nodules of the appendix.

2. Aggregate nodules (Peyer's patches).

Examine a section of the small intestine passing through a Peyer's patch. Are the constituent nodules confluent or separated by fibrous tissue?

Compare with the nodules of the appendix.

C. Tonsil.

1. Palatine tonsil.

Study vertical sections. Note: *epithelium*; how many cells thick?; branching *crypts*; diffuse *lymphoid tissue*; *lymph nodules*; *germinal centers*; *capillaries*; *trabeculæ*; connective-tissue *capsule*; *mucous glands*.

Does the tonsillar tissue invade the *submucosa*? Infiltration of epithelium by leucocytes? Where most frequent? What are '*salivary corpuscles*'? Why is the tonsil a frequent portal of infection?

2. Lingual tonsil.

Compare its structure with the palatine tonsil. Observe the *central pit*, or *crypt*, of each lymphoid mound. These mounds in the aggregate constitute the 'lingual tonsil.'

3. Pharyngeal tonsil.

Note: *lymph nodules*; *epithelium*; *pits*; the lobulation and poorly circumscribed limits of the mass.

What are the '*adenoids*' of clinicians? What are '*tubal tonsils*'?

D. Lymph Gland or Node.

1. General architecture. (From sections of an entire gland.) Note: *hilus*; *capsule* and septa-like *trabeculæ* extending inward from it; *cortex* and *lymph nodules*; *medulla* and *medullary cords*; peripheral *lymph sinus*; *cortical* and *medullary lymph sinuses*; *blood vessels*.

2. Detailed structure.

(a) *Capsule and cortex*. Note: *capsule* and *trabeculæ*; their constituent tissues; relation of *reticulum* to *trabeculæ*; *lymph nodules*; their number and relation to *trabeculæ*; *germinal centers* and types of cells present; relation of nodule to sinuses; *peripheral sinus*; *endothelial lining*?; connection

of peripheral with *central sinuses*; relation of central sinuses to trabeculæ.

(b) *Medulla*. Note: *medullary cords*; *germinal centers?*; *sinuses* and contents; *endothelial lining?*; *blood vessels*; their relation to *trabeculæ*.

(c) Look for evidence of *phagocytosis* by leucocytes and by reticulum cells. What are the functions of lymph glands? Are lymph sinuses well-defined endothelial tubes or merely irregular, washed-out channels in the lymphoid tissue? Have they an endothelial lining, and if so is it complete?

Be able to trace the complete course of the lymph and blood into and out of the gland. Do the blood capillaries and lymph sinuses communicate?

E. Hemolymph Gland or Node.

Compare part for part with the lymph gland, using the outline above. Are there distinct *lymph nodules* or *germinal centers*? A distinct *cortex* and *medulla*? Observe carefully the *sinuses* and their contents. Are there said to be lymphatic connections? Functions of hemolymph gland? Where found? Normal color?

F. Spleen.

1. **General architecture.** Study vertical sections in a region near the capsule. Note: *capsule*; at right angles to it *interlobular trabeculæ* which bound *lobules*; *intralobular trabeculæ*; *splenic nodules* (*Malpighian corpuscles*); *germinal centers?*; *splenic pulp*; *arteries*; *veins*.

About how wide is a splenic lobule? Into how many compartments is it said to be divided? Significance?

2. Detailed structure.

(a) *Connective-tissue framework*. In the *capsule* distinguish the outer *tunica serosa*; what is its structure?; a more common name for it? Identify the inner *tunica albuginea*; what fundamental tissue present?; how does it merit its name? Composition of *trabeculae*?; relation of *trabeculae* to the *reticulum*?; presence of *veins* in *trabeculae*.

(b) *Splenic nodule*. Note: kinds of cells present; *mitoses*; 'central' artery; its usual position? Why are two central arteries frequently observed? Occurrence of *germinal centers*? Determine if possible the density of the *reticulum* at the center and periphery of nodules.

(c) *Splenic pulp*. Note: *pulp cords*; intercordsal *splenic sinuses* showing *fenestrations* in transverse section; *erythroplastids*; nucleated *erythroblasts*?; *lymphocytes*; other *leucocytes*.

Identify the *splenic cells* with large rounded nuclei and considerable cytoplasm; evidence of *phagocytic action*?; what type of leucocyte do they resemble?; are the two identical? Smear preparations of the pulp tissue are instructive.

What are the functions of the spleen as indicated by your observations? Compare with hemolymph gland as to structure and function. Contrast the spleen with a lymph gland.

3. Blood supply. If sections of injected spleen are available, study the relation of the arteries and veins to each other and to the septa and splenic nodules. In any case understand thoroughly the complete circulation of the blood.

CHAPTER VIII.

THE DUCTLESS GLANDS.

A. Thymus.

1. **General architecture.** In sections, identify: *lobes; lobules*, each invested with a fibrous *capsule* which serves also as an *interlobular septum; intralobular septa; cortex; medulla; thymic (Hassal's) corpuscles; blood vessels*.

Are cortex and medulla sharply demarked? Occurrence of *germinal centers*? Extent inward of intralobular septa? May the medulla interconnect lobules?

2. **Detailed structure.** Identify the types of cells found in the close-meshed *reticulum*. *Mitoses*? What differentiates the lymphoid tissue into a distinct *cortex* and *medulla*?

Study a *thymic corpuscle*. Where found? Note: *central cells*; number?; their appearance and contents; *peripheral cells*; their arrangement; stainability of the corpuscle; views as to its origin?

Origin of the lymphocytes? How much of the thymus is of entodermal origin?

What functions may be inferred? Action of its internal secretion? Correlation between size of thymus and age of the individual?

Contrast critically the thymus, spleen, and lymph gland.

B. Thyreoid.

1. **General architecture.** In sections, identify: fibro-elastic *capsule; interlobular septa; lobules; follicles; colloid; interfollicular stroma* and *blood vessels*.

2. Detailed structure.

(a) *Follicular epithelium*. Note: number of cells thick; correlation of follicle size, cell shape, and amount of colloid content; position of *nucleus*; character and stainability of *cytoplasm*; *basement membrane*?

Examine the character of the *colloid*. Cells, vacuoles, or other inclusions? Why usually a spiny border? Relation of colloid to the internal secretion?

(b) *Interfollicular stroma*. Constituent tissues? Observe the rich vascular supply and its intimate relation to the follicles; significance?

Trace the probable path of exit of the internal secretion. Functions of the thyreoid?

C. Parathyreoid.

Study sections. Identify: thin *capsule*; *lobules*?; cellular *cords* or *masses*; connective-tissue *stroma*; *blood vessels*.

Examine the cellular cords or masses and observe the poorly staining *chief cells* and *acidophile cells*. Note the relation of the abundant *sinusoidal capillaries* to the gland tissue. Is *colloid* ever found?

Origin, location, and function of the parathyreoids?

D. Suprarenal.

1. **General architecture.** Study vertical sections. Identify: *capsule*; in *cortex*, *zona glomerulosa*, *zona fasciculata*, and *zona reticularis*; compare their breadths; *medulla*; *blood vessels*.

2. Detailed structure.

(a) *Cortex*. Note: fibro-elastic *capsule*; delicate *trabeculae* extending inward and bearing *capillaries*; shape and

arrangement of cells in each zone; intimate relation to capillaries; fat-vacuolated cells of *z. fasciculata*; pigment-containing cells of *z. reticularis*.

(b) *Medulla*. Note: cellular *cords* and *masses*; usual stellate appearance of *chromaffin cells*; reason?; their intimate relation to *sinusoids*; *veins*; *arteries*; *nerve trunks* and *cells*?

Correlate the adult structure of the suprarenal with its development. What is *adrenalin*? Where formed and its function? What is the *chromaffin reaction*?

3. **Blood supply.** By means of injected sections, or texts, learn the course of the blood.

E. Carotid Gland.

In sections observe the spheroidal *cell masses* embedded in connective tissue and the constituent *cords* of *chromaffin cells* bordered by *sinusoidal capillaries*. What is its origin, location, and probable function? Compare with descriptions of the *coccygeal gland*. Is the latter a chromaffin organ?

F. Hypophysis (Pituitary Body).

1. **General topography.** (Sagittal sections.) Identify: *capsule*; *anterior (glandular) lobe*; *interglandular cleft*; *intermediate portion* with *colloid-filled cysts*; *posterior (neural) lobe*.

2. Detailed structure.

(a) *Anterior lobe*. Note: fibrous *capsule*; delicate *trabeculae* extending inward from it; *epithelial cords*; branching and anastomoses?; shapes of *cells* and their varieties as to the character and stainability of their *cytoplasm*; arrangement of these types of cells in the cords; relation of cords to *sinusoidal capillaries*. Compare the *anterior lobe* with the *parathyreoid*.

(b) *Intermediate portion*. Observe: *interglandular cleft* and its lining; epithelium-lined *cysts* containing '*colloid*'; character of each; relative abundance of *capillaries* as compared to anterior lobe.

(c) *Posterior lobe*. Study the delicate *capsule* and the *neuroglia cells* and *fibers*.

How does the hypophysis develop and what functions are ascribed to the anterior and intermediate lobes?

G. Epiphysis (Pineal Body).

In a section, observe: *capsule*; *trabeculae*; poorly defined *lobes*; pigment-containing *cells*; *acervulus cerebri* (*brain sand*); rich blood supply.

What is the '*pineal eye*' of certain lizards. Has the epiphysis any known function in man?

Name all other organs with internal secretion not yet studied.

CHAPTER IX.

SEROUS AND MUCOUS MEMBRANES AND GLANDS.

A. Serous Membranes.

Study sections of *serous membranes*. Kind of *epithelium*? What special term is applied to it? Nature of *tunica propria*? What is the *subserous layer*? In what situations is it absent? What are '*stomata*' and how are they interpreted? Character of the *secretion* and its use?

How do serous membranes compare with *synovial membranes* and *bursæ* in structure?

B. Mucous Membranes.

Study sections of *mucous membranes* from various locations. Compare in each the type of *epithelium*, *membrana propria** (*basement membrane*), and *tunica propria*. Occurrence of a *muscularis mucosæ*? In what locations is the tunica propria infiltrated with *lymphocytes*? What other structures course in the tunica propria? Compare the *tunica propria* and *submucosa* as to structure, compactness, and function. Presence of *glands* in submucosa? Where do mucous membranes occur? Functions?

C. Glands.

1. **Physiologic types.** *Mucous* and *serous glands*. Study sections in detail. Compare: *cytoplasm* and *secretion*;

* Prominent in trachea.

their character and stainability; position and shape of *nucleus*. In a mixed gland (e. g., submaxillary) these contrasts are sharp.

Difference in the fresh secretions of the two types of gland? Learn the secretory cycle in each type and find illustrative stages. What is a '*crescent*' or '*demicune*'? How is its secretion carried away?

The ductless glands have been studied (pp. 40-43). Specialized types, such as cytogenic glands (p. 62) and sweat and sebaceous glands (pp. 73-74) will be taken up later in the course.

2. Histologic types. Observe the following types: (1) *simple tubular* (e. g., intestinal glands or crypts); (2) *convoluted tubular* (e. g., sweat glands); (3) *branched tubular* (e. g., gastric glands); (4) *simple* and *branched saccular* (sebaceous glands).

Occasionally instructive sections of compound glands are found: (1) *compound tubular* (e. g., kidney; testis); (2) *compound tubulo-alveolar* (e. g., salivary glands; pancreas); *compound saccular* (mammary gland).

CHAPTER X.

THE DIGESTIVE SYSTEM.

I. THE ORAL CAVITY.

A. Lip.

In a vertical section, note: differences in thickness, compactness, and structure of *epidermis* and *oral epithelium*; variations in height of connective-tissue *papillæ*; why is the lip red?; transitions at edge of lip; presence of *hairs*, *sebaceous glands*, and *sweat glands* in *skin*, and of *labial glands* (what type?) in *submucosa*.

Compare the looseness of the mucous membranes of the lip, tongue, and hard palate, and the skin of the back of the hand.

B. Teeth.

1. **General topography.** Examine a longitudinal section of an entire tooth. Identify: *crown*; *neck*; *root*; *pulp cavity*; *root canal*; *enamel*; *cement*; *dentine*.

2. **Detailed structure.**

(a) *Decalcified tooth.* Study the contents of the *pulp cavity* in sections. Note: *reticular tissue*; *blood vessels*; *nerves*?; *odontoblasts* and their *dentinal* (Tomes') *fibers* extending into the *dentinal canals*.

Function of the odontoblasts? How many dentinal fibers to an odontoblast? Their function? Why is dentine sensitive to pain?

If the section is of a developing tooth, identify the *inner*

enamel epithelium and its component *ameloblast cells*. Observe the cuticular *Tomes' processes* extending from the individual odontoblasts. How is enamel formed?

(b) *Ground sections.*

(a') *Enamel*. Note: *enamel prisms*; their shape, arrangement, and markings; *contour lines (of Retzius)*; enamel-dentine junction; *interglobular spaces*.

(b') *Dentine*. Observe the *dentinal tubules*. What is their shape, arrangement, and relation to the *pulp cavity*? Study their branching and anastomoses. Identify the *contour lines (of Owen)* and the *granular layer (of Tomes)*.

(c') *Cement*. Observe the *lacunæ* and *canaliculæ*. Are *lamellæ* well marked? What is cement and how is it formed?

C. Tongue.

1. **General architecture.** Study vertical sections. Note: *mucous membrane* and *lingual papillæ*; dense *submucosa* and regional variations in the firmness with which the mucosa is bound to it; *lingual glands*; *lingual tonsil*?; longitudinal, transverse, and vertical *muscle bundles*; *lingual septum*.

What is the method of insertion of muscle fibers into the connective tissue of the mucous membrane?

2. **Lingual papillæ.**

(a) *Filiform* (and *conical*) and *fungiform papillæ*. Note: their relative abundance; shape; fitness of their names?; primary and secondary connective-tissue elevations, or *papillæ*, extending into them; presence of *taste buds*?

Compare the cornification of epithelium in the two.

(b) *Vallate papillæ*. Propriety of name? Note: restricted location of *taste buds* and *secondary papillæ*; *von*

Ebner's glands; what type of gland? Where do the *ducts* open?

(c) *Foliate papillæ*. Compare with vallate. How do they differ in gross appearance? Relative development in rabbit and man?

(d) *Taste bud*. If possible distinguish: darker and more slender *taste cells* ending in cuticular *bristles* which extend into the *taste pore*; paler and more robust *supporting cells*.

D. Soft Palate.

Study vertical sections. Note: variation in *epithelium* on nasal and oral surfaces; *taste buds*?; *palatine glands*; *fat*; *muscle*.

The palatine, lingual, and pharyngeal tonsils have been treated under lymphoid organs (p. 37).

II. THE DIGESTIVE TUBE.

In studying the digestive tube it is important to recognize the unity of architecture throughout. Each division from within outward possesses the following coats: (1) *mucosa*, including the *muscularis mucosæ*; (2) *submucosa*; (3) *muscularis*, with its inner circular and outer longitudinal layers; (4) *serosa* or *adventitia*.

Compare carefully the structure and relative extent of development of these parts in the various divisions of the digestive tube.

A. Esophagus.

Study sections preferably at various levels. Note: *mucous membrane*; character of *epithelium*; connective-tissue *papillæ*; *lymph nodules*?; direction of fibers in *muscularis mucosæ*. In the *submucosa* observe the 'deep' *esophageal glands* and

their long *ducts*; type of gland cell? Study the structure and arrangement of the *muscular coats* and of the fibrous *adventitia*.

Significance of extensively folded mucosa? How are the various coats affected by the passage of food? What is the distribution of striated muscle? Is the adventitial coat a serosa?

B. Cardio-Esophageal Junction.

Study longitudinal sections, observing the abrupt transition between the two types of epithelium.

Compare the '*superficial*' *esophageal glands* with the 'deep' ones already studied as regards depth of position and stainability. Are superficial glands located elsewhere in the esophagus?

Observe the type of epithelium lining the cardia and compare the *cardiac glands* with the superficial esophageal glands. *Mucous cells*? *Acidophilic cells*? Interpretation of cardiac glands? Extent of area occupied?

C. Stomach.

1. Compare vertical sections through various regions. Note: folded *mucosa*; absence of *papillæ*; *gastric pits*; *glands*; *lymph nodules*?; *muscularis mucosæ*; how many layers?; *submucosa*; *muscularis*; presence of an innermost oblique muscular layer?; *serosa*; how is it different from the *adventitia* of the esophagus?

2. **Cardia.** This has been studied in conjunction with the esophagus.

3. Fundus or corpus.

(a) *Mucosa.* Study vertical sections in detail. Determine the shape, length, and extent of branching of the

gastric (fundus) glands and their relation to the *gastric pits (foveoli)*. *Tunica propria*? Compare the surface epithelium with that of the pits. Why do not goblet cells occur?

(b) *Gastric glands*. Identify in each a *neck*, *body*, and *fundus*. Is there a distinct *lumen*? Observe the shape, position, and relative abundance of *chief cells*. Location of the *nucleus* and the character and stainability of the *cytoplasm*? Make similar observations on the *parietal cells*; where are they most numerous?; how does their secretion reach the lumen? What functions are attributed to each type of cell?

4. **Pylorus.** Compare the pyloric and fundic *epithelium* as regards: depth of *pit*; length and tortuousness of *gland*; shape of *gland cells* and character of their *cytoplasm*. Nature of the *secretion*?

D. Small Intestine.

1. Duodenum.

(a) Identify in sections the various coats and compare with esophagus and stomach. Note: *plicæ circulares*; *papillæ*; *intestinal (Lieberkühn's) glands*; *duodenal (Brunner's) glands*.

(b) *Mucosa*. Study the columnar *epithelium*, noting *goblet cells* and the striate *cuticula*. In the *tunica propria* observe the diffuse *lymphoid infiltration* and occasional *lymph nodules*. How do the latter affect the *villi* and *glands* over them? What coats are responsible for (1) *plicæ circulares*; (2) *villi*?

(c) *Villi*. In *villi* cut variously observe the core of *lymphoid tissue* and identify the axially placed *lacteal* and the delicate *blood vessels*. *Smooth muscle fibers*? What is the shape of an entire villus?

(d) *Intestinal glands*. Depth of penetration into mucosa? Branching? If possible identify the *granule cells of Paneth*. Their significance? Are these glands actual out-pocketings of the surface epithelium or merely crypts formed by contiguous villi? How may glands and villi be distinguished in transverse section?

(e) *Duodenal glands*. Where located? Appearance and stainability of the *cells* and nature of *secretion*? Where do the *ducts* open?

2. Jejunum and ileum.

Follow the directions for the duodenum. Does the duodenal (Brunner) type of gland occur? Relative prominence of *plicæ circulares*? True shape of entire jejunal and ileal villi? Look for *aggregate lymph nodules* (*Peyer's patches*) and compare with solitary nodules. Location of aggregate nodules?

E. Large Intestine.

1. Colon.

Study sections. Note: absence of *plicæ circulares* and villi; columnar, lining *epithelium*; does it contain goblet cells?; elongated *intestinal glands* with abundant *goblet cells*; frequent *solitary lymph nodules*; are these confined to the mucosa?; arrangement of longitudinal muscle coat into *tæniæ*; thickness of longitudinal coat between *tæniæ*? Relative length of intestinal glands in large and small intestine?

2. Appendix or vermiform process.

Compare with colon. *Tæniæ*? Observe the extreme infiltration of the mucosa by lymphocytes and the number and position of the more or less confluent *lymph nodules*. Is the *muscularis mucosæ* intact?

F. Rectum and Anus.

In a longitudinal section observe the step-like transition in epithelia. Size of *rectal glands*? Other differences from colon? Composition of *internal* and *external sphincter*? Type of *circumanal glands*?

G. Blood Vessels of the Digestive Tube.

Examine sections of injected stomach or intestine. Distinguish the *intramuscular*- and extensive *submucous plexuses*, whence *axial arteries* extend into the villi and peripherally placed *veins* descend the villi to retrace the arterial course. Richness of blood supply in the several coats?

What is the arrangement of the *lymphatics*?

H. Nerves of the Digestive Tube.

Examine for nerve cells the various sections already studied. Look for the *myenteric plexus* between the muscle coats; for the *submucous plexus* in the submucosa. If heavy-metal preparations are available, *cells* and *fibers* are easily demonstrated.

Central origin of these fibers? Probable peripheral distribution? Functions?

III. THE GLANDS OF DIGESTION.

A. Salivary Glands.

The small glands (*labial, lingual, palatine*, and *von Ebner's*) have been studied in connection with the oral cavity (pp. 46-48).

1. Parotid.

(a) *General architecture*. In sections, identify: *capsule*; *septa*; *lobules*; *interlobular ducts*; *intralobular ducts*; *alveoli* or *acini*; *blood vessels*.

(b) *Detailed structure.*

- (a') *Alveoli.* Note: shape; size of *lumen*; *gland cells*; character and stainability of their *cytoplasm*; *zymogen granules*?; position of *nucleus*; *basement membrane*.

The parotid is a compound tubulo-alveolar gland; explain. Is the parotid a serous, mucous, or mixed gland?

- (b') *Duct system.* Continuous with the *alveolus* is the *intercalary (intermediate) duct*, of flattened cells; next in order is the *secretory (salivary)* portion, of simple columnar cells with *basal striations*; finally comes the *excretory* portion with cells pseudostratified or in two layers.

Distinguish these divisions in transverse and longitudinal section. Determine which are interlobular, intralobular, or both.

2. **Submaxillary.**

Is the general architecture and duct system like that of the parotid? Estimating from their relative frequencies in sections, how do the *intercalary* and *secretory* ducts compare in length with those of the parotid?

Identify *mucous*, *serous*, and *mixed alveoli* and compare as to shape, size of *lumen*, character and stainability of *cytoplasm*, and position of *nucleus*. What is the proportion of mucous to serous alveoli? What are '*crescents*' or '*demi-lunes*'? Their abundance and significance? How is their secretion drained?

3. **Sublingual.**

Compare with the submaxillary. Is there a distinct *capsule*? Judging from their frequency in sections, are the *secretory ducts* long or short? Do *intercalary ducts* occur? Are there any purely *serous alveoli*? Can this be decided

from single sections? Compare with submaxillary for frequency of *crescents* and the total ratio of *serous* to *mucous cells*.

B. Pancreas.

1. **General architecture.** In sections, identify: *lobules*; *capsule*; *inter- and intralobular septa* and *ducts*; *alveoli* or *acini*; *pancreatic islands (of Langerhans)*; *blood vessels*.

2. Detailed structure.

(a) *Alveoli*. Note: shape (compare with parotid); *lumen?*; *basement membrane*; *gland cells*; position of *nucleus*; *zymogen granules* and their position; *centro-alveolar* or *centro-acinal cells*; what are they? Nature and function of *glandular secretion?*

(b) *Duct system*. Elongated *intercalary (intermediate) ducts*, continuous with *centro-alveolar cells*, pass over into *interlobular (excretory) ducts*. Distinguish these divisions. Do *secretory ducts* occur?

(c) *Pancreatic islands*. Observe their size, shape, frequency, position, and relation to neighboring alveoli. Shape, character, and stainability of the cells? Note their arrangement into *anastomosing cords* and the intimate relation to *capillary sinusoids*. *Ducts?* Do connections exist between islands and alveoli or their ducts? Functions of the islands?

What gland does the pancreas most resemble in structure and function? Compare, enumerating five important structural differences.

C. Liver.

1. **General architecture.** Study sections of pig and human liver. Identify: *capsule (of Glisson)*; *lobules*; their size, shape, and arrangement; *interlobular septa*; at the

angles of the lobules, *portal canals* containing each a branch of the *portal vein*, *hepatic artery*, and *bile duct*; *central vein* of lobule, from which radiate *sinusoids* separated by *cords* or *trabeculae* of *liver cells*; *sublobular veins* coursing independently in the interlobular connective tissue.

In what essential respect does the liver of the pig differ from that of man?

2. Detailed structure.

(a) *Connective-tissue framework*. Fundamental tissues present in the serous *capsule*? In the *interlobular septa*? Can an intralobular *reticulum* be identified? What are *stellate cells* (of *Kupfer*)?

(b) *Portal canal*. Look for these at the angles of lobules. Identify: thin-walled *interlobular veins* (branch of portal), the largest of the three chief components; *interlobular artery* (branch of hepatic), the smallest of the three; *bile duct*, intermediate in size. Search also for lymphatic vessels and nerves.

(c) *Parenchyma*. In the lobules observe the radial *cords* of *hepatic cells*. Arrangement and anastomoses? How many cells thick are the cords? Character of *cytoplasm*? Presence in cytoplasm of *fat globules* or *pigment*? May cells have more than one *nucleus*? Mark the intimate relation to bordering *sinusoids*.

(d) *Duct system*. If heavy-metal preparations are available,* study the arrangement of intralobular *bile capillaries*. With how many cells is each in contact? Structure? In sections of portal canals examine the epithelium and *fibro-elastic coat* of the interlobular *bile ducts*. Method of union between interlobular bile ducts and bile capillaries?

3. Blood supply. Study sections, preferably injected.

* Bile capillaries are also prominent in ordinary sections of salamander liver.

Blood enters the liver through the interlobular branches of the *hepatic artery* and *portal vein*, already seen within portal canals. Quantity, quality, and destination of blood in each? Within lobules note the extent of radial *capillary sinusoids*, their anastomoses, and convergence to the *intra-lobular (central) vein*. Look for lobules cut to show the union of central and *sublobular veins*; the latter are easily identified by their thick walls and isolated position in the interlobular connective tissue. Into what vessels do the sublobular veins drain? Obtain a vivid conception of the complete course of the blood.

Are '*hepatic lobules*' comparable to lobules of other glands? What are '*portal lobules*'?

4. **Gall bladder.** In vertical sections, identify: *mucosa*; *submucosa*?; *muscularis*; *serosa*. Type of folded epithelium? Goblet cells? Mucous glands? Definite arrangement of *muscularis*?

CHAPTER XI.

THE RESPIRATORY SYSTEM.

A. Larynx.

In a section of the *larynx*, note: type of *epithelium*; *tunica propria*; *lymphoid cells*; *submucosa*; type of *gland*; *muscle*; *cartilages*; more than one type of cartilage?

Vocal cords. Observe the type of *epithelium*; its close relation to the fibrous, elastic '*cords*'; *elastic cartilage?*; *submucosa?*

B. Trachea, Bronchi and Bronchioles.

1. *Trachea*. Study transverse sections. Note: *mucous membrane*; type of *epithelium*; *goblet cells*; prominent *basement membrane*; character of *tunica propria*; *submucosa*; nature of its *tracheal glands*; *adventitia* containing *tracheal cartilages*; *trachealis muscle*.

2. *Bronchus*. Compare with trachea as regards: *epithelium*; presence of *cartilage plates*; presence of *muscularis mucosæ*; abundance of *glands*; relation to pulmonary and bronchial *blood vessels*.

3. *Bronchiole*. Compare with bronchus as regards: *epithelium*; *glands*; *cartilage*; relative development of *muscularis mucosæ*; *blood vessels*.

C. Lung.

1. *Bronchi* and *bronchioles* are continued into *respiratory*, or *terminal, bronchioles*, with epithelia ranging from the low,

columnar, ciliated type to flattened, non-ciliate, and non-glandular *respiratory epithelium*; the latter is partially composed of *non-nucleated plates*. Next in order are the *alveolar ducts*, having respiratory epithelium and scattered bundles of smooth muscle. Thence non-muscular *atria* are usually recognized, leading into the *alveolar sacs*, which terminate in pocket-like *alveoli* of respiratory epithelium.

Identify the above divisions, both in transverse and longitudinal section, and study their structure in detail. Understand thoroughly the histology of the alveoli and their relation to capillaries.

2. In *vertical sections*, identify and study: *mesothelium* and thin *tunica propria* of pulmonary *pleura*; *subserous layer* (fibro-elastic); *interlobular septa*; *interalveolar septa*.

3. *Blood supply*. Study injected sections, observing the profuse capillary net and its intimacy to the alveoli. Through sections and texts discover the complete pulmonary and bronchial circulations, giving special attention to the association of definite blood vessels with the various divisions of the respiratory tree.

CHAPTER XII.

THE URINARY SYSTEM.

A. Kidney.

1. **General architecture.** In a longitudinal section of an entire kidney, identify: *capsule*; *cortex*; *medulla*; *hilus* leading into the *renal sinus*, which is lined by the *pelvis* and *calyces*; *renal (Malpighian) pyramids*, each projecting, as a *renal papilla*, into a *calyx*; *renal columns* (of Bertin) formed by the cortex dipping down between pyramids to the renal sinus; in cortex, the radially arranged *pars radiata* (medullary rays) alternating with the *pars convoluta* (labyrinths); in the *pars convoluta*, *renal (Malpighian) corpuscles*.

2. Detailed structure.

(a) Learn from preparations of *uriniferous tubules* isolated by teasing, and from reconstruction in texts, the size and shape of the various divisions and their order of sequence.

(b) *Cortex*. Study radial and tangential sections. Observe the *capsule* (constituent tissues?), numerous *blood vessels*, and the scanty *interstitial tissue*.

In the *pars convoluta*, note: *renal corpuscle*; its *glomerulus* (afferent and efferent vessels?); *glomerular (Bowman's) capsule* and its visceral and parietal epithelium; *neck*, its position and epithelial transition; *proximal* and *distal convoluted tubules*; *arched collecting (junctional) tubules*.

In the *pars radiata*, note: *proximal convoluted tubules* (spiral portion); *ascending limb of Henle's loop*; *straight collecting tubules*.

(c) *Medulla*. Study radial and tangential sections.

Note: *descending* and *ascending limbs of Henle's loop*; *Henle's loop*; *collecting tubules*; *papillary ducts*.

(d) Compare the various tubules as regards: size; caliber of *lumen*; size and shape of *cells*; character and stainability of *cytoplasm*; *basement membrane*.

Examine proximal convoluted tubules for 'rodded' cytoplasm and state of preservation of free edge. How is the size of its lumen said to vary with functional activity?

How far into the medulla may Henle's loops dip? Is there any correlation between the position of Henle's loop in the medulla and of its renal corpuscle in the cortex? What is the correlation between the depth of position of Henle's loop and the length and disposition of its thin segment?

How abundant are renal corpuscles just beneath the kidney capsule? Relative size of afferent and efferent arterioles of glomeruli? Significance? Where are water and salts probably excreted? Where urea? Importance of a glomerulus at the very beginning of a renal tubule in light of its flushing function?

What constitutes a 'renal lobule'; or *renculus*, the anatomical unit of the kidney?

3. Blood supply. Study radial sections of injected kidney and text figures.

Identify: (a) *Arteries*—*interlobar*; *arciform*; *interlobular*; *afferent* and *efferent arterioles* of glomerulus; *glomerular capillaries*; *arteriolæ rectæ*. What is a *rete mirabile*?

(b) *Veins*—*capillaries* of cortex and medulla; *stellate*; *interlobular*; *arciform*; *venulæ rectæ*; *interlobar*.

B. Ureter.

Transverse sections. Note: folded *mucosa*; *tunica propria*; poorly demarked *submucosa*; *muscularis*; *adventitia*.

Type of *epithelium*? Observe the intimate relation of the abundant *capillaries* to it; are any capillaries intra-epithelial? *Glands*? Number and arrangement of muscle coats? How do these differ in the upper and lower halves of the tube? Is there a *tunica serosa*? Explain.

Understand the gross and histologic relations between the ureter, renal pelvis, calyces, and papillary ducts.

C. Bladder.

1. *Vertical sections*. (The general appearance varies greatly with the degree of distension.) Identify similar coats as in the ureter.

Note: presence or absence of *folds* in the *mucosa*; binucleate epithelial cells?; epithelial *pits* or *crypts*?; *glands*?; *solitary lymph nodules*?; interlacing *muscle bundles*; can separate muscular coats be distinguished?; *tunica serosa*?

2. *Distended bladder*. Examine vertical sections for changes in the epithelium and muscularis. What has happened to the epithelial cells?

D. Urethra.

1. Female urethra.

Transverse sections. Identify: folded *mucosa*; *tunica propria*; broad *submucosa* containing many thin-walled *veins*; *muscularis*. Is there an *adventitia*?

In detail, note: type of *epithelium*; *urethral glands*; nature of their secretion?; broad *venous channels* in submucosa (*corpus cavernosum*) and extending into muscularis; number and arrangement of muscular coats. Is the female urethra erectile? With what portion only of the male urethra does the entire female urethra correspond?

2. **Male urethra**. This will be studied in connection with the penis (p. 65).

CHAPTER XIII.

THE REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM.

I. MALE GENITAL ORGANS.

A. Testis.

1. **General architecture.** Study sections (preferably longitudinal) of an entire testis. Identify: *tunica albuginea*; *tunica vasculosa*; *mediastinum*, from which radiating *septula* divide the testis into *lobules*; within lobules convoluted *seminiferous tubules*, continuous with *straight tubules* which anastomose in the mediastinum to form the *rete testis*; *ductuli efferentes*; *epididymis*; *ductus deferens*?; *blood vessels*.

2. **Detailed structure.** Note: *seminiferous tubules*; their *fibrous wall*, *basement membrane*, and *stratified epithelium*; various strata in the latter exhibiting stages in *spermatogenesis*; *sustentacular cells* (of *Sertoli*) and the distinctive position, shape, and appearance of both cells and nuclei; *interstitial cells* in the connective-tissue *stroma*; their size, amount of cytoplasm and cytoplasmic *inclusions* (pigment granules, fat droplets, or rod-like crystalloids).

What is a cytogenic gland? How long are uncoiled seminiferous tubules? Do tubules branch, anastomose, or exhibit blind ends? How many tubules to a lobule? What functions are ascribed to the sustentacular cells? What to the interstitial cells?

3. Spermatozoa.

(a) Identify the *head*, *neck*, and *tail*. Shape of head on the flat and in profile? Relative length of head and tail?

Length of spermatozoa? When and where do they first become motile? Rate of swimming? Orientation to ciliary currents?

(b) *Living spermatozoa*. Cut fresh epididymis (preferably of a dog) into small pieces and place in normal saline solution. Mount a drop of the mixture and examine. Observe motility and variations in vigor. Study the undulatory lashing of the tail.

4. Spermatogenesis. Developmental stages occur in order at successive levels from periphery to lumen of seminiferous tubules. Note: *spermatogonia*, next to *basement membrane*; *primary spermatocytes* (largest in size); *secondary spermatocytes* (about half size of preceding); *spermatids* (about half size of preceding); *spermatozoa*.

Which stages exhibit mitoses? Find several stages in the transformation of spermatids into spermatozoa. Homologize the various parts of a spermatozoön with the cellular constituents of an unchanged spermatid.

B. Ductuli efferentes.

Study sections of a lobule of the epididymis. Note: alternate groups of *columnar cells* (usually ciliated) and *cuboidal cells* (occasionally ciliated) producing an irregular lumen; *acidophilic* and *clear cells* and their distribution; vesicular masses of *secretion*?; distinct *basement membrane*; circular layer of *smooth muscle*; connective-tissue *stroma*. Are the *cilia* motile?

C. Ductus epididymidis.

In sections of ducts cut variously, observe: type of *epithelium*; character of *cytoplasm*; matted *cilia*; *basement membrane*; circular *muscle layer*; connective-tissue *stroma*.

Compare with efferent ducts. Are the cilia motile?

What effect has the secretion of the epithelium upon spermatozoa?

D. Ductus deferens.

Transverse sections. Note: *mucosa*; type of *epithelium*; absence of cilia; *tunica propria*; robust *muscularis*; number, arrangement, and relative thickness of muscle coats; *adventitia*.

How does the *ampulla* differ in structure from the duct proper?

E. Seminal Vesicle.

Vertical sections. Note: *sacculations*, honeycombed with epithelial *pits* and *folds*; *mucosa*; type of *epithelium*; *glands*?; *tunica propria*; *muscularis*; number and arrangement of muscular coats; *adventitia*.

Identify the contents of the lumen. What is the chief function of the seminal vesicle?

Compare the structure of the *ejaculatory duct* with that of the ductus deferens (*ampulla*) and seminal vesicle.

F. Prostate.

Vertical sections. Note: *capsule* continuous with a dense *stroma*; constituent tissues?; *sacculated alveoli*; type of *epithelium*?; *prostatic concretions*, their occurrence, size, and markings; how interpreted?

Nature of *prostatic secretion*? What constitutes *semen*? To which histologic type of gland (p. 45) does the prostate belong?

From sections or texts learn the structure of the *bulbo-urethral* glands. Probable function? Homologue in the female?

G. Penis and Male Urethra.

1. Corpus penis.

(a) *General topography.* Study transverse sections. Identify: *epidermis*; *corium*; *subcutaneous*; *panniculus adiposus*?; *corpora cavernosa penis*; *corpus cavernosum urethræ* (c. *spongiosum*); *tunica albuginea*; *pectiniform septum*; *trabeculæ*; *blood vessels* and *spaces*; *urethra*.

(b) *Detailed structure.* Composition of *tunica albuginea*? Number and arrangement of layers? Why is the septum called 'pectiniform'? Constituent tissues of *trabeculæ*? Location and characteristics of *helicine arteries*? Note the thick-walled *blood vessels* with localized intimal swellings, and the endothelium-lined *venous spaces* of the *erectile tissue*.

Understand the course of the blood in the flaccid and erect penis, and the mechanics of erection. Compare the penis and clitoris in structure.

(c) *Male urethra.* Note: *mucosa*; type of *epithelium*; *urethral glands* (of Littré); *tunica propria* and *submucosa* permeated by *venous spaces* of the *erectile tissue*; *muscularis*? *tunica albuginea*.

Learn the difference in the *prostatic*, *membranous*, and *cavernous urethræ* as regards epithelium and muscularis. The entire female urethra corresponds to how much of the male urethra?

2. *Glans penis.* Note: Difference in the *epithelium* on the outer and inner surface of the *prepuce*; close adherence of the epithelium of the *glans*; *glands of Tyson*?; *sensory corpuscles*.

Gross relation of glans to corpus penis?

II. FEMALE GENITAL ORGANS.

A. Ovary.

1. **General topography.** Study sections of an entire ovary. Identify: *hilus*; *cortex*; *germinal epithelium*; *tunica albuginea*; *follicles* and their location; *cortical stroma*; *corpus luteum*?; *corpus albicans*?; *medulla*; *medullary stroma*; *blood vessels*.

2. **Detailed structure.**

(a) *Cortex*. Note: *germinal epithelium*; how different from ordinary mesothelium?; *tunica albuginea* and *cortical stroma*; their constituent tissues?; 'interstitial' cells?; *primary* and *vesicular* (Graafian) *follicles*; their distribution according to degree of development.

(b) *Vesicular* (Graafian) *follicles*. Study a maturing follicle. From without inward, note: *theca folliculi*; its fibrous *tunica externa* and vascular *tunica interna*; *membrana propria*; *stratum granulosum*; cavity, or *antrum*, containing *liquor folliculi*; *cumulus oöphorus*; *corona radiata*; *zona pellucida*; *ovum*.

In *ovum*, observe: *vitelline membrane*?; *cytoplasm*, containing *deutoplasm*; *nucleus*; *chromatin cords*; *nucleolus*.

How many ova are present at birth? Is this number subsequently increased? How many mature in a life-time? Views regarding the origin of the *zona pellucida* and *liquor folliculi*? Views as to the mechanics of follicle rupture? Look for *atretic follicles*.

(c) *Oögenesis*. Search for stages illustrating follicular development. Study: (1) change in size and *deutoplasm* content of ova; (2) appearance and increase in thickness of *zona pellucida*; (3) change from a single layer of flattened or cubical *follicular cells*, through stages of solid, stratified, radiating epithelium, to the formation of a *cumulus oöphorus*

and *stratum granulosum* by the accumulation of *liquor folliculi*; (4) arrangement of the loose *stroma* into the *theca*, with its two *tunics*.

With what stages in spermatogenesis do the ova seen correspond? What stage in spermatogenesis corresponds to the mature ovum and polar bodies?

(d) *Medulla*. Observe the loose *stroma*, absence of follicles, and abundant *blood vessels*.

3. Corpus luteum. In sections, identify: fibrous *capsule*; *corpus hæmorrhagicum*; plicated zone of *lutein cells* cut into radial cords by vascular connective-tissue *trabeculæ*; size, shape, and character of *lutein cells*; their fat-vacuolated *cytoplasm*.

Origin and history of the components of the corpus luteum? Origin, structure, and fate of the *corpus albicans*? Do the *corpus luteum verum* and *corpus luteum spurium* differ histologically? Functions?

B. Uterine Tube.

1. Isthmus or ampulla. Transverse sections. Note: *mucosa*; *plicæ*; type of *epithelium*; areas of non-ciliated cells?; *mucous cells* or *glands*?; vascular *tunica propria*; does it contain *smooth muscle*?; *muscularis*; number and arrangement of its coats; *adventitia*; *serosa*?

Functions of *cilia*? Is a *submucosa* recognizable? May the muscular coat be considered a *muscularis mucosæ*? Compare part for part the uterine tube, ductus deferens, and ureter.

2. Infundibulum. Compare sections of the *fimbriated end* of the tube with the lower portion just studied. Relative development of *lumen*, *plicæ*, and *muscularis*? Do *villi* occur? Are the *mucosa* and *serosa* continuous at the infundibular margin?

C. Uterus.

1. Resting uterus.

(a) *General topography.* Study transverse sections of an entire uterus of a child or lower mammal. Identify: *lumen*; *mucosa* (*endometrium*); its extreme thickness and *glands*; *muscularis* (*myometrium*); number and arrangement of the muscle coats; *serosa* (*perimetrium*).

Size of lumen in life? Is there a *submucosa*?

(b) *Detailed structure.* (Vertical sections of adult uterus.)

(a') *Mucosa.* Note: type of *epithelium*; ciliated areas?; *tunica propria*; its vascularity and highly cellular character; *uterine glands*; their shape and lining epithelium.

How do the glands of the corpus and cervix differ as regards shape and secretion? What are 'ovules of Naboth'? Function of the *cervical glands* during pregnancy?

(b') *Muscularis.* Distinguish the number, arrangement, and relative thickness of the poorly defined muscle coats. Propriety of the term '*stratum vasculare*' for the middle layer? Can the inner coat be regarded as an hypertrophied *muscularis mucosæ*?

(c') *Serosa.* Constituent tissues?

2. **Menstruating uterus.** Study vertical sections. Compare with normal uterus as regards: thickness of *mucosa*; condition of *epithelium* and *tunica propria*; enlargement of *blood vessels* and *glands*; *hemorrhages*, subepithelial and external.

Extent of destruction of the mucosa? Method of repair? Understand the stages of the menstrual cycle and the views regarding its significance.

D. Decidual Membranes.

1. **Decidua vera.** Vertical sections of pregnant uterine wall. Observe the *amnion* and *chorion* lying on the *decidua vera*; the latter is divisible into a superficial *compact* and a deep *cavernous layer*.

Note: absence of *uterine epithelium* and *glands* in the *compact layer*; laterally stretched glands in the *cavernous layer*; *decidual cells*; their size, shape, and number of *nuclei*; their origin?; *muscularis*; size of muscle cells.

2. **Decidua basalis and placenta.** (Vertical sections.)

(a) *General topography.* Identify: in *placenta foetalis*, *amnion*, *chorion*, *chorionic villi* (free and attached), *intervillous blood spaces*; in *placenta uterina* (*decidua basalis*), *compact layer*, *septa*, *blood vessels*, *cavernous layer*, *glands*?

(b) *Detailed structure.*

(a') Observe under low magnification an immersed *chorionic villus*, noting its broad main *stems* and profuse terminal *branches*.

(b') *Chorionic villi* in section. Observe: axial tissue and vessels; inner *epithelial layer* (*of Langhans*)?; outer *syncytial layer*; *syncytial knots*; *canalized fibrin*.

(c') *Decidua basalis.* Follow directions for *decidua vera* above; in addition observe *septa* and their contents and attached *chorionic villi*.

3. **Blood supply.** Trace the course of maternal and fetal blood. What simple fact indicates that these do not mingle? Why is the absence of clotting in the intervillous spaces remarkable? What functions are ascribed to the chorionic syncytium?

E. Vagina.

Vertical sections. Note: *mucosa*; *rugæ*; type of *epithelium*; absence of *glands*; *papillæ*; *lymph nodules?*; *muscularis*; number and arrangement of its coats, fibrous *adventitia*.

A loose, vascular layer deep in the tunica propria is sometimes regarded as a *submucosa*.

F. Mammary Gland.

This will be treated with the derivatives of the skin (p. 74).

CHAPTER XIV.

THE SKIN AND CUTANEOUS APPENDAGES.

A. Skin.

1. **General features.** With a lens examine the volar surface of the index finger. Observe the *sulci* and *cristæ* and the rows of *sweat gland pores* on the latter. Compare the skin of the palm and dorsum of the hand and of the forearm.

2. **Vertical sections** (preferably of palmar or plantar surface).

(a) *Epidermis*. Identify: (1) *stratum germinativum* composed of a basal layer of *columnar cells* and of overlying, polygonal *prickle cells*; *mitoses*? (2) *stratum granulosum*, a double or triple row of coarsely granular, flattened cells; (3) *stratum lucidum*, a thin, clear layer with indistinct nuclei and cell boundaries; (4) *stratum corneum*, a thick, poorly staining layer of progressively flattened and cornified cells.

How does the skin of the general body surface differ from that of the palm or sole as regards the number of strata present and the thickness of each? Where is the *pigment* of a white brunette located? Of a negro? What is the histology of '*freckles*' and of '*tan*'? Views as to pigment origin? Learn the chemical transformations accompanying the physical changes in the history of an epidermal cell.

(b) *Corium or derma*. Distinguish a poorly demarked, superficial *papillary layer* and a deep, looser and coarser *reticular layer*. What is the general direction of the interlacing fibers?

In the *papillary layer* identify numerous conical *papillæ* bounded by a *basement membrane* and containing *vascular loops* or occasional *tactile corpuscles*.

(c) *Subcutaneous*. Identify bands of areolar tissue containing lobules of fat. Find here and in the deep corium *sweat glands*, *sebaceous glands*, *hair follicles*, and occasional *lamellar corpuscles*.

What constitutes a *panniculus adiposus*?

B. Nails.

1. **General topography.** Examine longitudinal and transverse sections. Identify: *nail body* overlying the longitudinally ridged *nail bed* and ending distally in the *free edge*, with its subjacent *hyponychium*; *nail root*, beginning at the *lunula* and *nail groove (sulcus)*, with its overhanging *eponychium*, and extending proximally over the *nail matrix*.

2. Detailed structure.

(a) *Nail root*. Note: epidermal fold of the *sulcus* in which lies the *nail plate*; *stratum germinativum*; *stratum granulosum*? What layer does the *nail plate* represent? Which layer comprises the *eponychium*? Its extent into the *sulcus*? Explain the progressive thickening of the nail distad and the general method of nail growth. Extent and interpretation of the *lunula*?

(b) *Nail body*. Compare with the nail root. Relation of *hyponychium* to *nail bed*? Relation of *nail plate* to epidermal strata at lateral margins? Significance of the narrow light band seen just proximal to the free edge of a nail? Interpretation of white spots in the nail plate? Rate of nail growth? Are nails replaced after total removal?

C. Hair.

1. **General topography.** In longitudinal sections, identify: *shaft*; *root*; *bulb*; *follicle*, consisting of an *inner* and *outer epithelial root sheath* and a *connective-tissue sheath*; *papilla*; angular insertion of hair; *sebaceous glands*; *arrector muscles*.

2. **Detailed structure.** Transverse and longitudinal sections. From without inward, note: *connective-tissue sheath* with an outer *longitudinal*, middle *circular*, and inner *hyaline* (i. e., basement membrane) *layer*; *outer root sheath*, a continuation of the stratum germinativum; *inner root sheath*, with an outer *Henle's layer* (single row of non-nucleated cells), a middle *Huxley's layer* (two or three rows deep), and a *cuticle* of cornified scales; *hair*, with an outer *cuticle*, middle *cortex*, and inconstant *medulla*.

Ascertain the structural differences at various levels from texts and longitudinal sections, and find corresponding transverse sections. Note especially the changes in the hair cuticle and cortex from shaft, through root, to bulb. Contents of the papilla? In light of its development homologize all layers of the hair follicle with unmodified skin.

Position of *arrector muscles* and *sebaceous glands* with respect to each other and to the angular insertion of the hair? Explain '*goose flesh*.' What cells in the hair bear pigment? Causes of whitening of the hair? Method and rate of hair growth? Method and frequency of replacement? Will hairs forcibly removed be replaced?

C. Sebaceous Glands.

Longitudinal sections. Identify: fibrous *sheath*; *basement membrane*; *alveoli*; *duct*; its relation to the hair fol-

lice; shape and character of basal and central cells of alveoli; progressive stages in fatty, cellular degeneration.

What is the composition and use of *sebum*? Distribution of sebaceous glands? What are '*black heads*' and '*wens*'?

D. Sweat Glands.

1. **General topography.** Study vertical sections of skin. Observe: position and size of coiled, secreting *fundus*; size and course of *duct*; its point of entrance, with respect to papillæ, into the skin; epidermal portion of duct; *pore*.

2. **Detailed structure.** Note: connective-tissue *sheath*; *basement membrane*; *smooth muscle fibers* of fundus; type of *epithelium* of fundus; character of its *cytoplasm*; type of epithelium of duct in corium; structure of duct in epidermis; its pronounced spiral epidermal course.

Composition and use of sweat? Occurrence of modified sweat glands?

E. Mammary Gland.

1. **General topography.** Study vertical sections or text figures, through the nipple and underlying corpus. Identify: *lobes*; *lobules*; interlobular *connective tissue* and *fat*; *alveoli*; *lactiferous ducts*; *lactiferous sinus*; *nipple*; *areola*.

2. **Active gland.** In sections, note: interlobular and interalveolar *connective tissue*; *alveoli*; *basement membrane*; type of *alveolar epithelium*; its variations in form and fat droplet content; *ducts* and their contents.

If available, study osmic preparations, but in any case understand the secretory activity of the epithelium. Compare with a sebaceous gland. Is fat elaborated by the gland cells or merely transferred through them? What is said to help the fat droplets of milk remain in emulsion?

What are '*witch milk*' and '*colostrum*'? Origin of '*colostrum corpuscles*'?

To which histologic type (p. 45) does the mammary gland belong? Compare with sweat glands in development and structure. Significance? What are the *areolar glands* (of Montgomery)?

3. **Resting gland.** Compare with lactating gland as regards: *adipose* and *connective tissue*; *glandular tissue* and *ducts*; size and contents of their *lumina*. With the cessation of lactation do alveoli degenerate in part or merely shrink? Postclimacteric history? Structure of the male mamma?

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