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Levels of Organization



HUMAN TISSUES

- •There are four types of tissues found in animals:
- •Epithelial tissue
- Connective tissue
- Muscle tissue
- •Nervous tissue.

Types of Tissues







Simple Epithelium Simple epithelium is made up of a single layer of identical cells, which are usually found on secretory and

absorptive surfaces			
Cells	Location	Function	
Simple squamous epithelium	Air sacs of lungs and the lining of the heart, blood vessels, and lymphatic vessels	Allows materials to pass through by diffusion and filtration, and secretes lubricating substance	
Simple cuboidal epithelium	In ducts and secretory portions of small glands and in kidney tubules	Secretes and absorbs	
Simple columnar epithelium	Ciliated tissues are in bronchi, uterine tubes, and uterus; smooth (nonciliated tissues) are in the digestive tract, bladder	Absorbs; it also secretes mucous and enzymes	
Pseudostratified columnar epithelium	Ciliated tissue lines the trachea and much of the upper respiratory tract	Secretes mucus; ciliated tissue moves mucus	

Simple Squamous Epithelium

• Ex\ Lung slide: The walls of lung air sacs (alveoli)

Simple quboidal Epithelium •Ex\ Kidney slide: the tubules of the kidney





Simple cuboidal epithelium



Stratified Epithelium Stratified epithelium consists of several layers of cells of

various shapes		
Stratified squamous epithelium	Lines the esophagus, mouth, and vagina	Protects against abrasion
Stratified cuboidal epithelium	Sweat glands, salivary glands, and the mammary glands	Protective tissue
Stratified columnar epithelium	The male urethra and the ducts of some glands	Secretes and protects
Transitional epithelium	Lines the bladder, uretha, and the ureters	Allows the urinary organs to expand and stretch

STRATIFIED SQUAMOUS EPITHELIUM

Ex of non Keratinized stratified squamous epithelium \ vagina

• Ex of Keratinized stratified squamous epithelium \ Palmar Human Skin

Stratified squamous epithelium

Non Keratinized

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Stratified Cuboidal Epithelium Stratified columnar epithelium

EX\ Ducts of salivary and sweat glands

Ex\ Male urethra





Transitional Epithelium Tissue EX\ Bladder

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MUSCLE TISSUE

• Muscle tissue is specialized for contraction. The cells are elongated, and are also known as muscle fibers. They contain the contractile proteins actin and myosin, which interact to shorten and elongate the cells. There are three different types of muscle tissue: skeletal, cardiac and smooth.

• Skeletal muscles are attached to bones, and contraction of these muscles generates body movements (legs movement, hands movement, etc.). The skeletal muscle fibers are long and cylindrical, with multiple peripherally located nuclei. The cells have striations, alternating light and dark bands that result from the ordered arrangement of actin and myosin fibers within the cell.



• Cardiac muscle is present in the heart. The cells are shorter, less striated than skeletal muscle with single branched nucleus. Individual cells are connected by **desmosomes**. These cellular connections are visible under the microscope as dark bands called intercalated disks. These cellular Communication junctions are necessary for the coordinated beating of the heart.



Smooth muscle

• Smooth muscle tissue is found in the walls of hollow organs, such as the gastrointestinal tract, blood vessels, and the urinary bladder. Contractions of these muscles propel fluid or materials through the organs (i.e. food through the GI tract, Blood through blood vessels, urine pushed out of bladder), smooth muscle cells are not striated



Smooth muscle tissue

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Nervous Tissue

- Nervous tissue is specialized for communication and composes the brain, spinal cord, and peripheral nerves. The tissue consists of two major cell types: **neurons** and **glial cells**.
- Neurons communicate with each other via electrical and chemical signals. They have nucleated cell bodies and two types of elongated cellular processes: dendrites –which Receive signals, and axons – which send signals.

