

Biology 224

Human Anatomy and Physiology II

Week 8; Lecture 1; Monday

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Excretory Physiology

The following ELEVEN slides are review. They will not be covered in lecture, but will be useful for studying.

The Nephron and Counter Current Exchange Mechanisms

Counter Current Exchange:

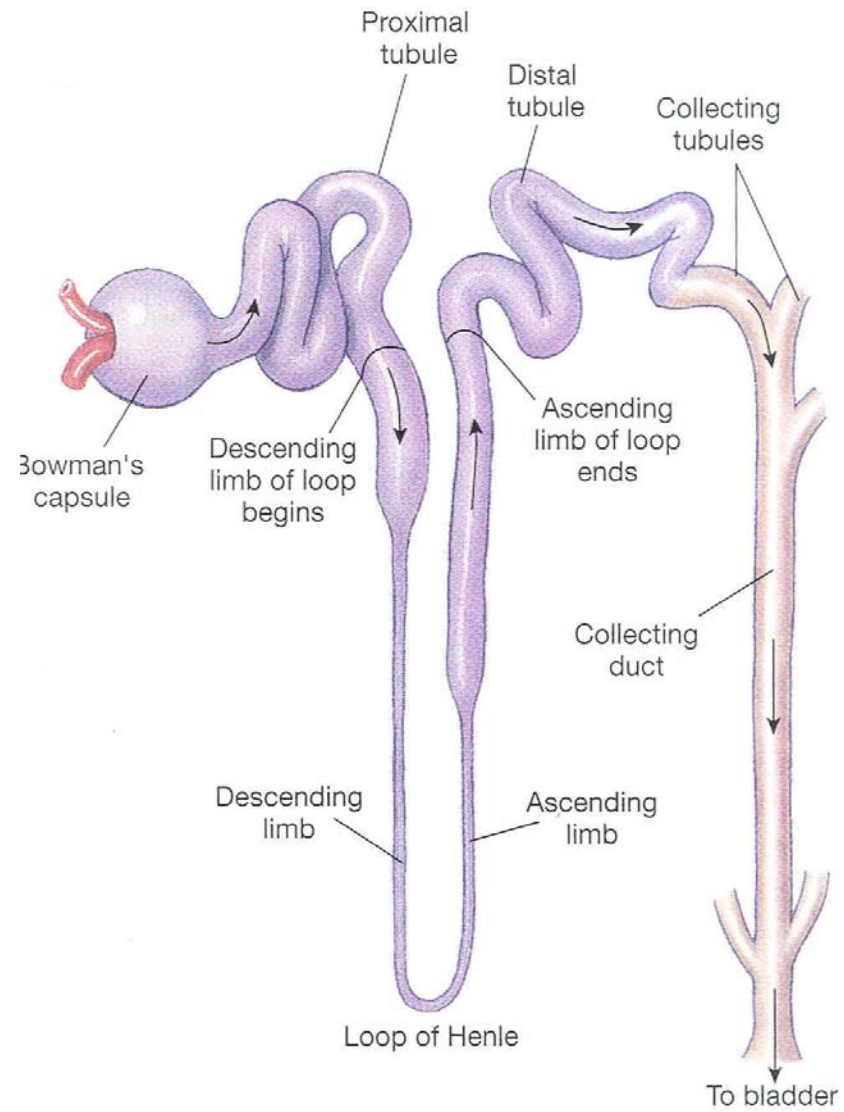
A pair of adjacent channels containing fluid is flowing in opposite directions AND having a gradient directed between the two channels.

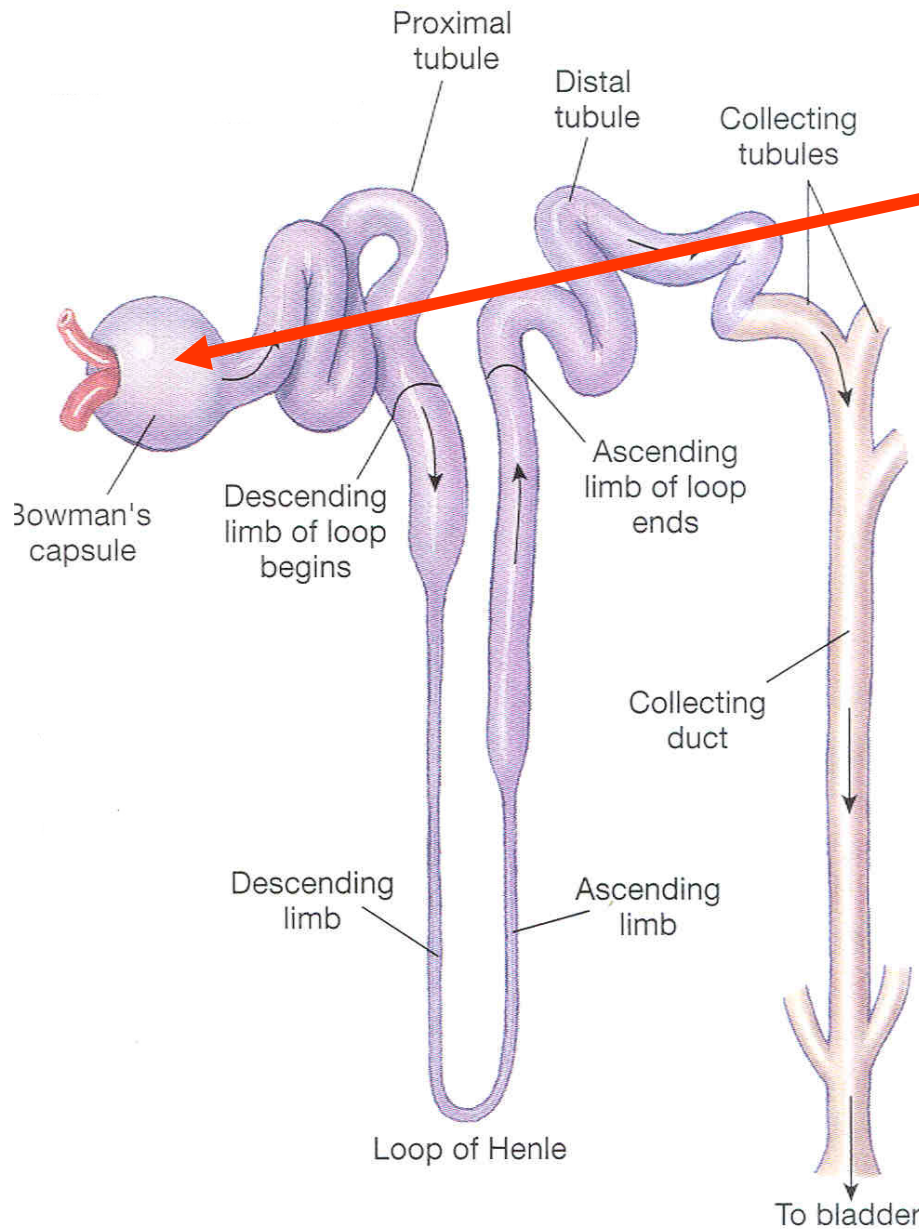
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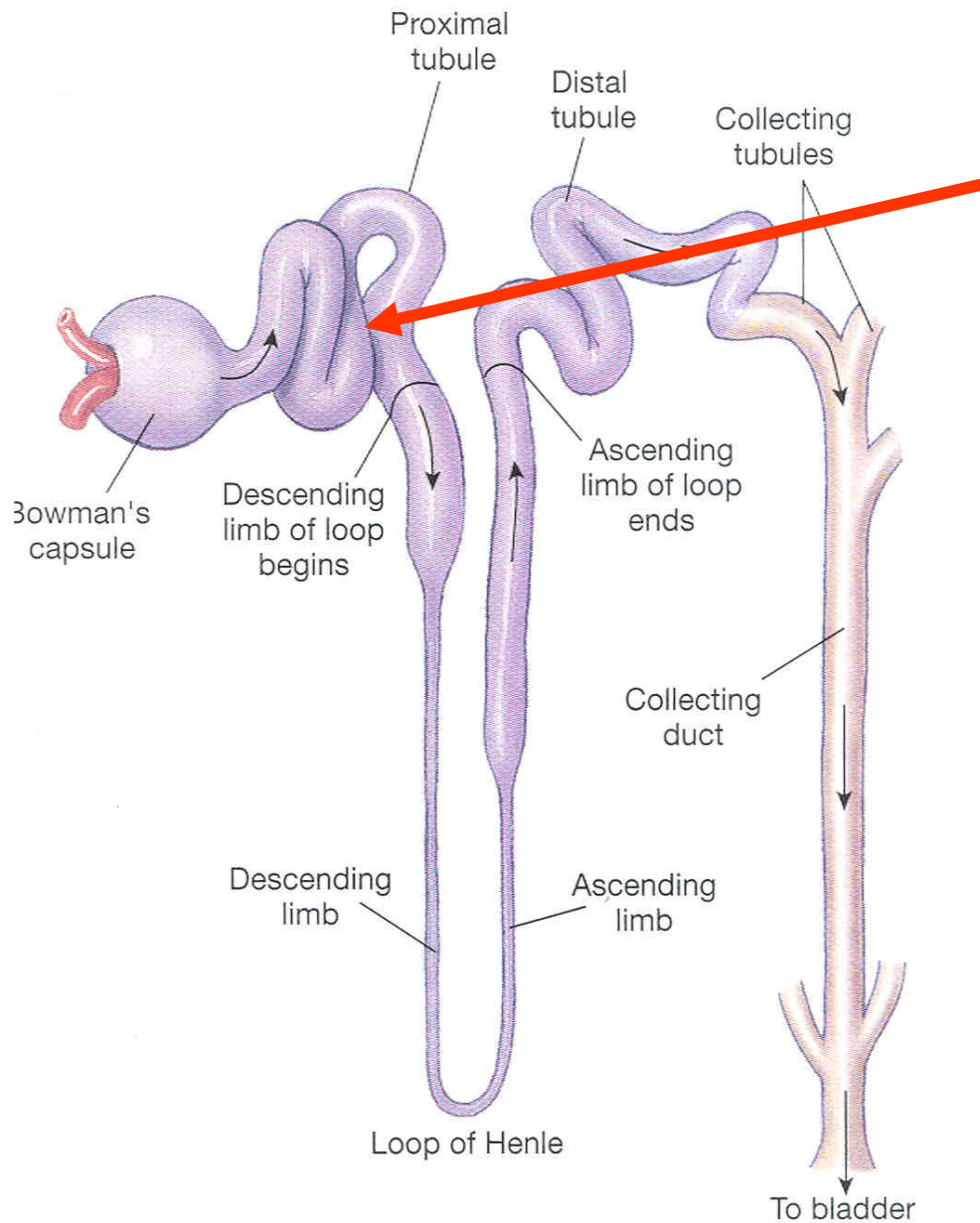
The Nephron





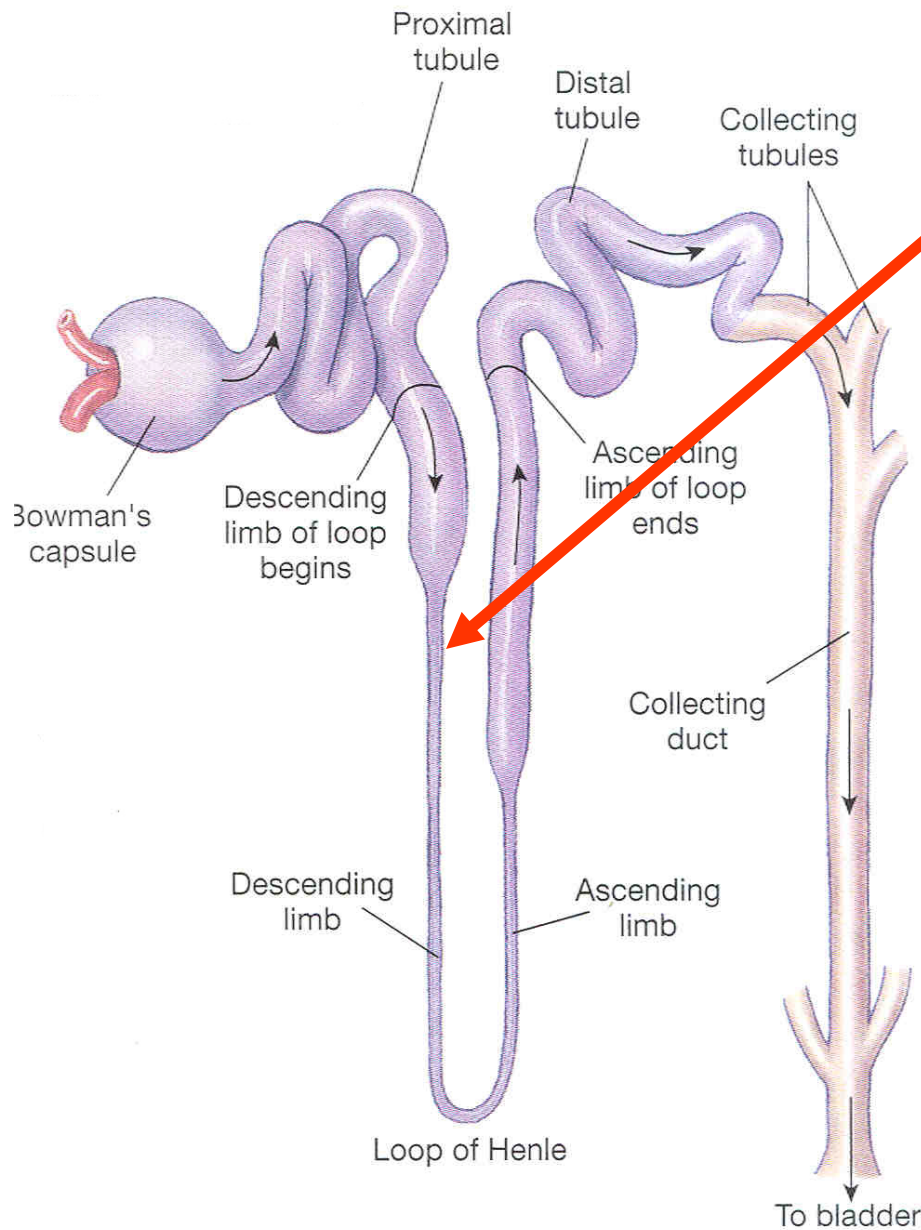
BOWMAN'S CAPSULE:

A spherical capsule around glomerulus (blood vessels).



PROXIMAL CONVOLUTED TUBULE:

About 75% of sodium is removed from fluid here (by active transport, chlorine follows passively.)

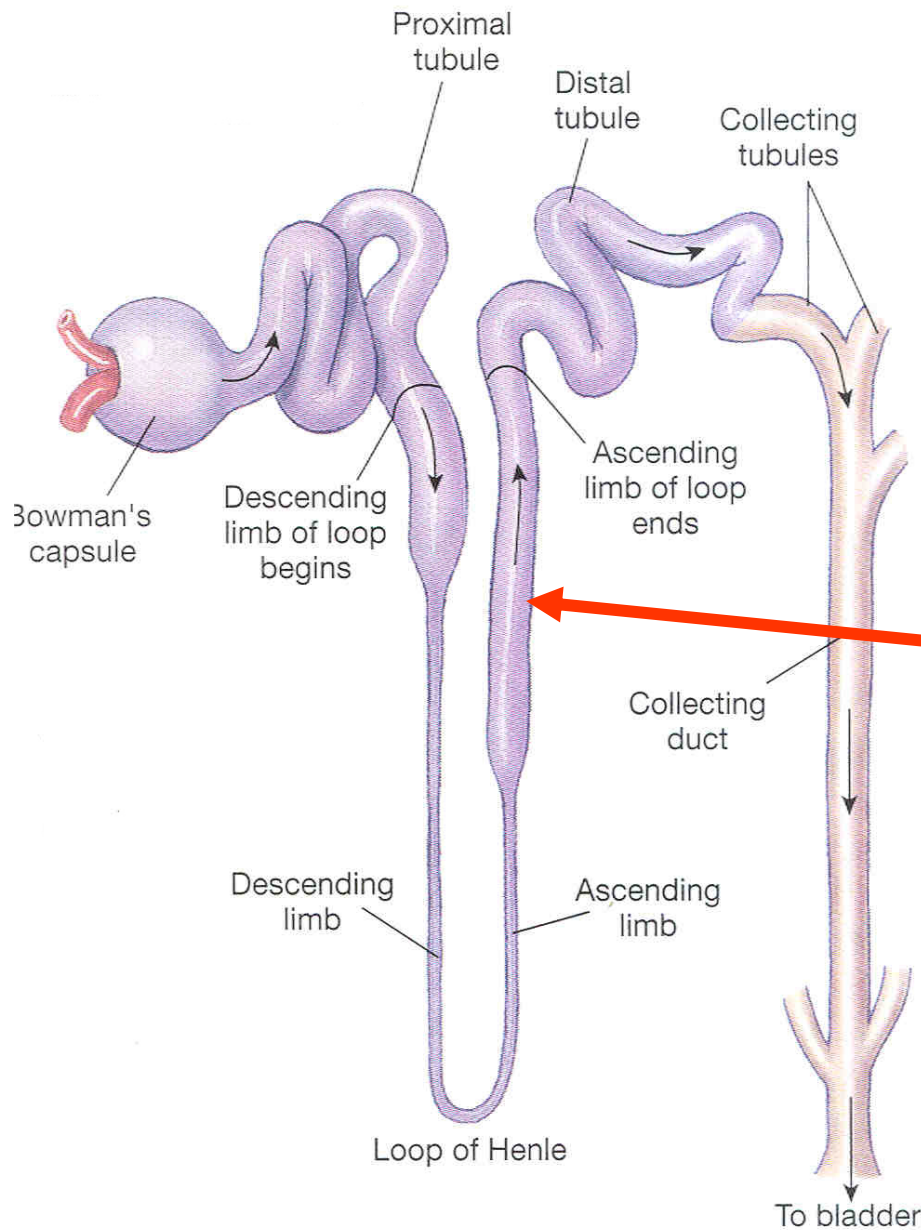


LOOP OF HENLE:

The counter current exchanger:

DESCENDING LOOP OF HENLE:

Permeable to water and other solutes.

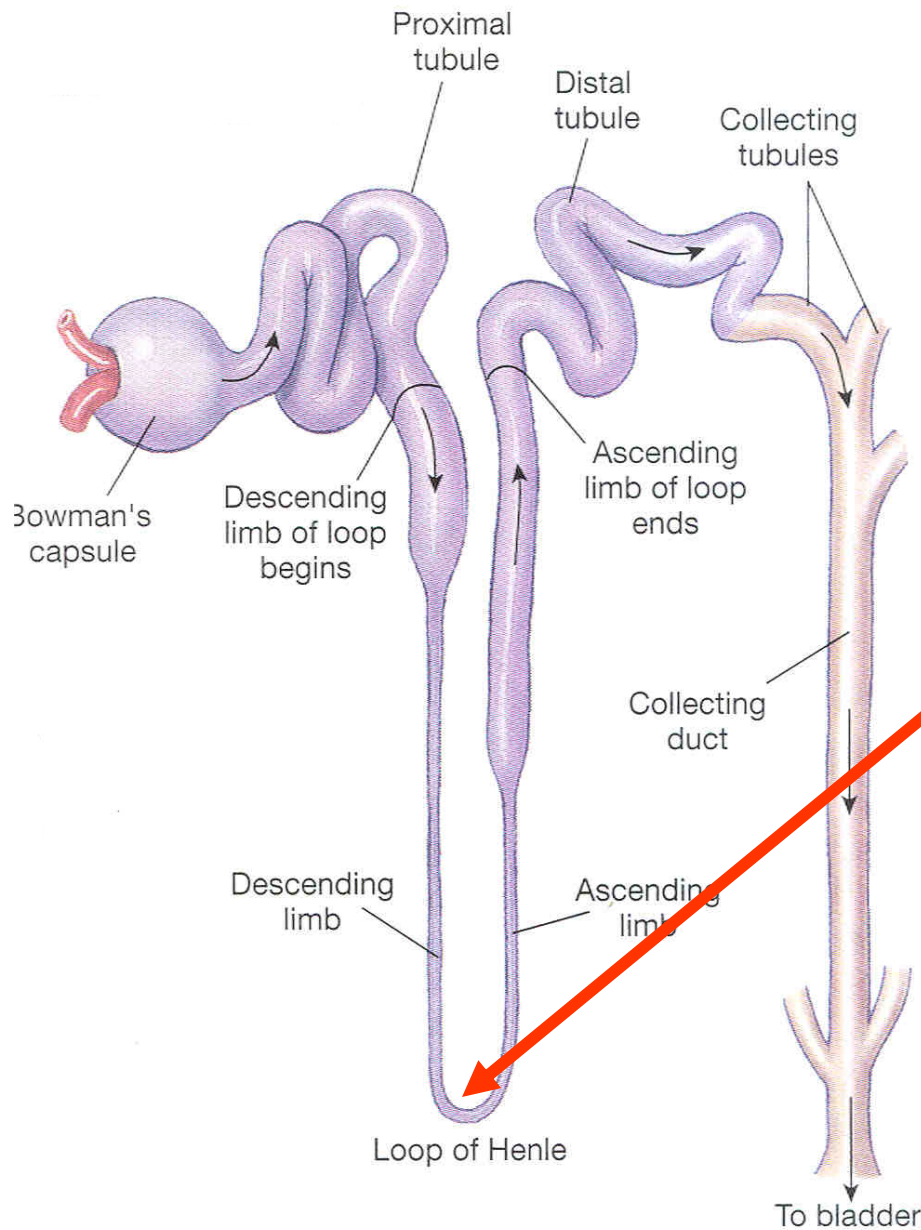


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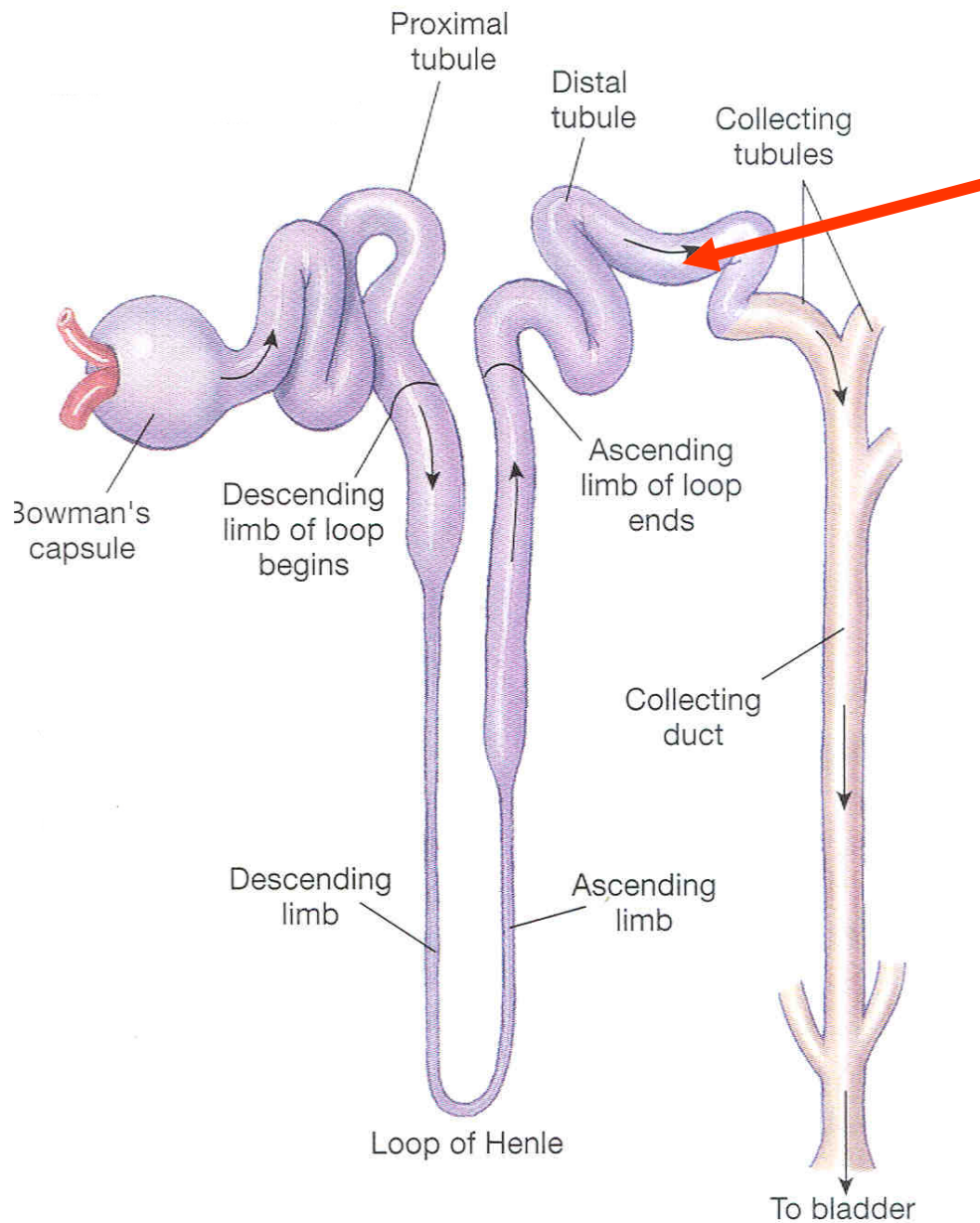
ASCENDING LOOP OF HENLE:

Chlorine ions--active transport out. Sodium follows. Water does NOT.



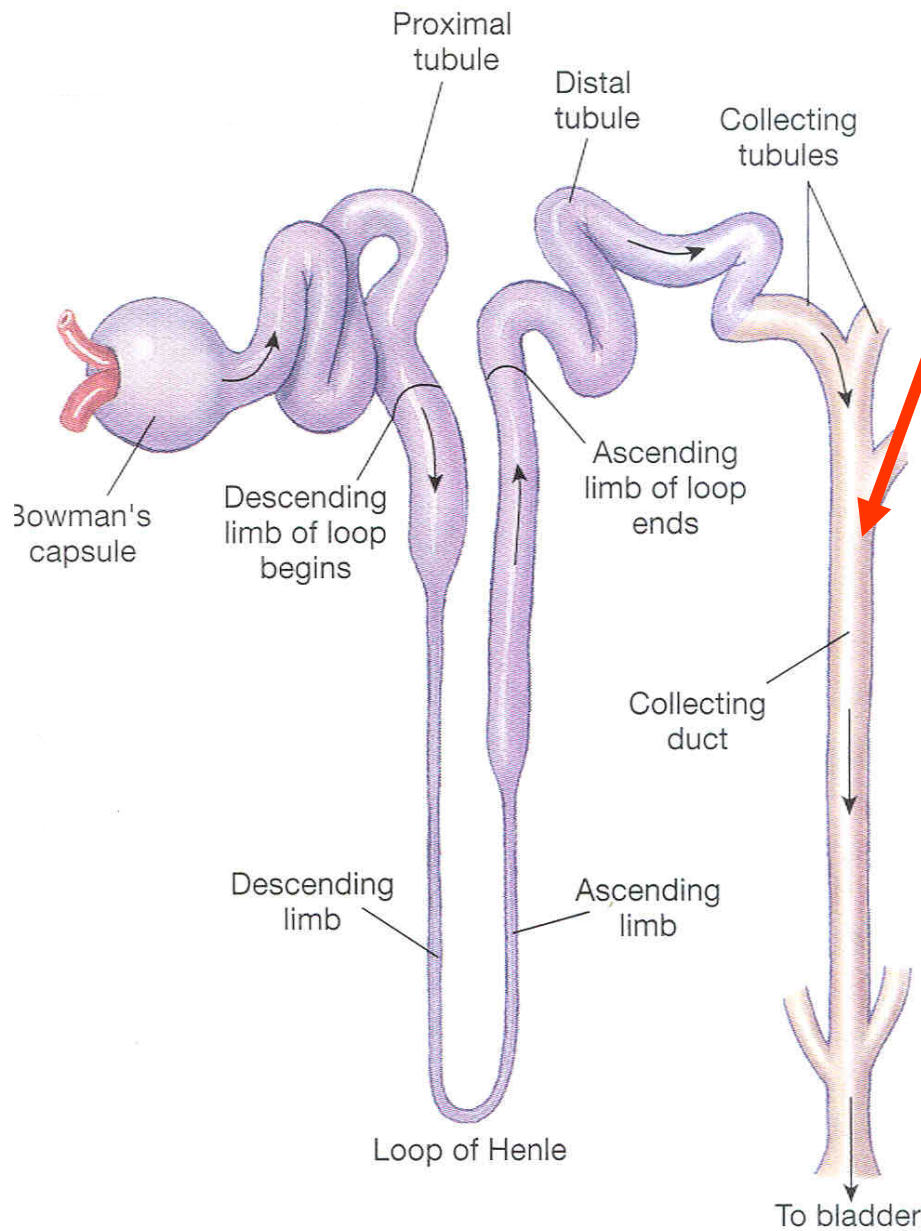
LOOP OF HENLE:

The counter current exchanger sets up a gradient of more salt toward turn in loop, less near convoluted tubules.



DISTAL CONVOLUTED TUBULE:

NaCl, Potassium,
ammonia,
carbonate removed
here.



COLLECTING TUBULE:

Passes parallel to Loop of Henle, THROUGH PROGRESSIVELY MORE CONCENTRATED INTERSTITIAL SPACE.

In Collecting Tubule, water wants to move from region of higher to lower “water concentration” (**OSMOSIS**). The tendency to do this increases as it passes through more distal regions of collecting tubule.

VASCULARIZATION OF KIDNEYS

Renal Arteries are branches of descending aorta. Ultimately, branches of it give rise to glomeruli.

Kidneys drained by Renal Veins which dump into inferior vena cava. (As body wall structures, they DON NOT dump into hepatic portal system.

INNERVATION OF KIDNEYS

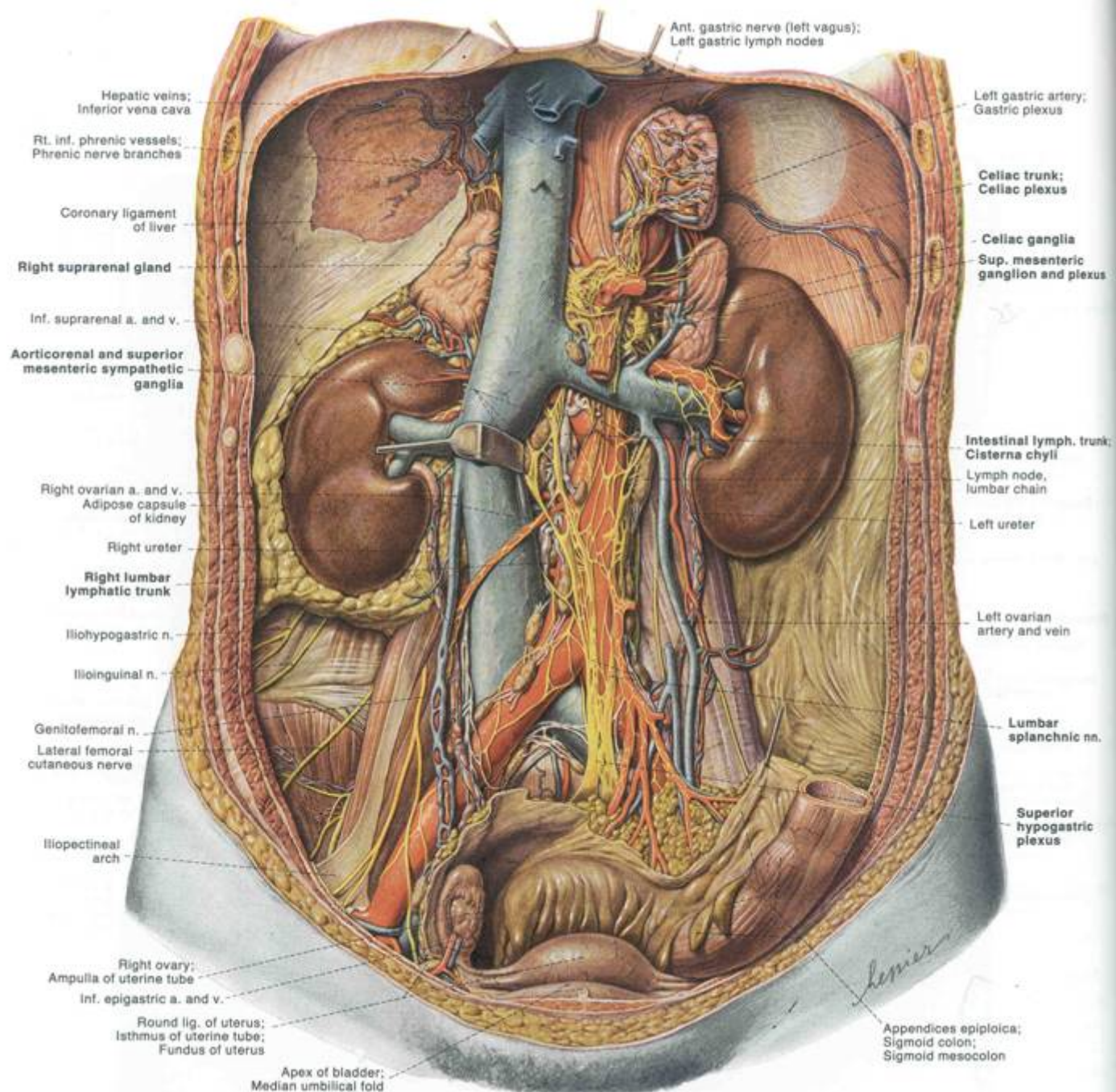
Sympathetic Innervation: Lower thoracic, upper lumbar, T12-L2. Synapse in nearby celiac ganglion.

Sympathetic Function: constricts blood flow to kidneys, decreasing overall kidney output.

INNERVATION OF KIDNEYS

Parasympathetic Innervation: Vagus nerve (of course!) Synapse on target organ.

Parasympathetic Function: increases blood flow to kidneys, increasing kidney filtration function.



VASCULARIZATION OF BLADDER

Superior and Inferior Vesicular Arteries
(Right and Left)

Superior and Inferior Vesicular Veins
(Right and Left)

INNERVATION OF BLADDER

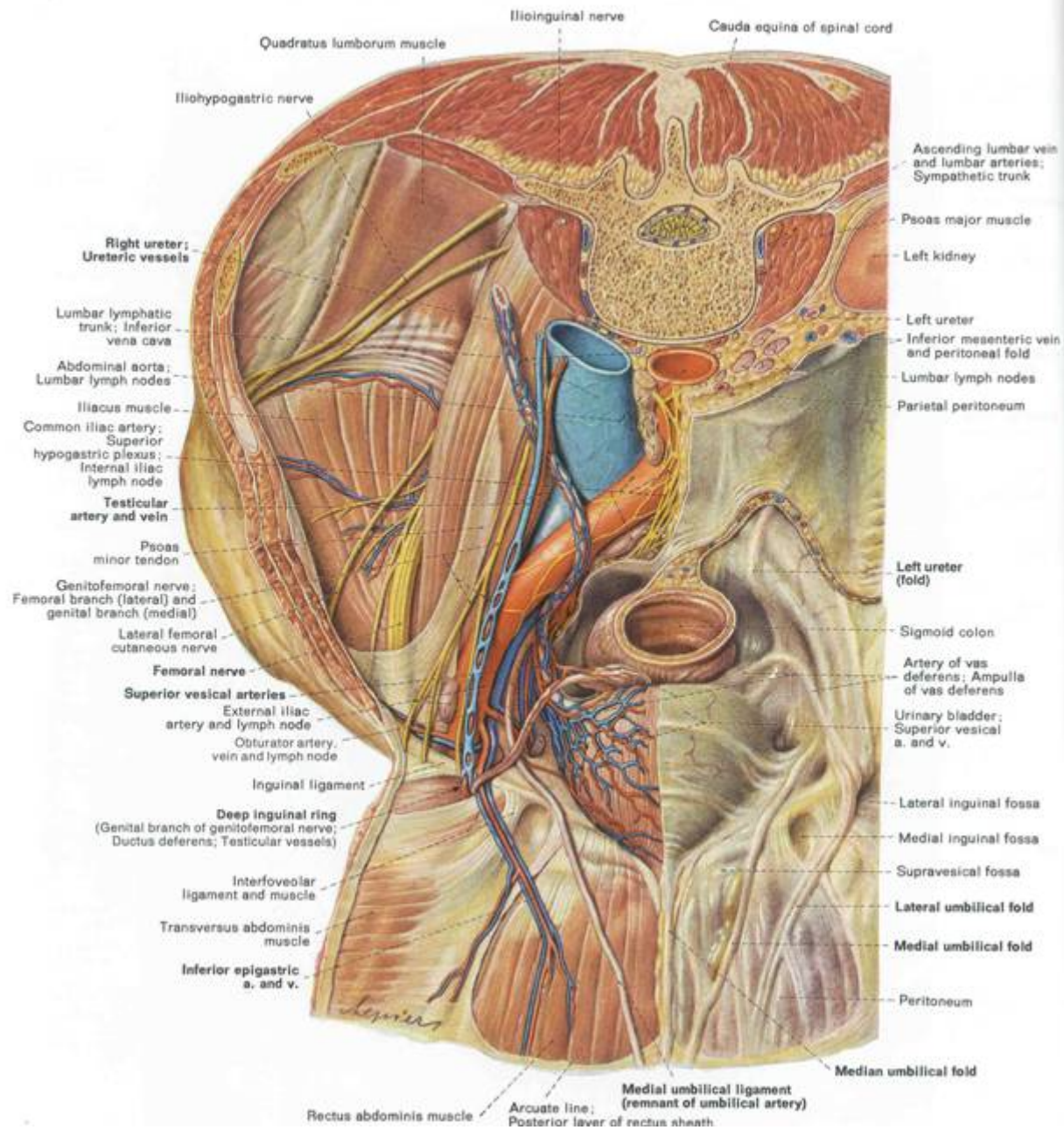
Sympathetic Innervation: L2, L3.

Sympathetic Function: inhibit
constriction of muscular wall of
bladder, contract sphincters.

INNERVATION OF BLADDER

Parasympathetic Innervation: S2-4.
Synapse right on bladder wall.

Parasympathetic Function:
stimulate constriction of muscular
wall of bladder, relax sphincters.



HORMONAL CONTROL OF EXCRETION

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increases permeability of collecting tubule to
water. More water CAN ESCAPE OUT OF
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HORMONAL CONTROL OF EXCRETION

Inhibition of ADH -- decreases permeability of collecting tubule to water. Less water CAN ESCAPE OUT OF IT INTO THE INCREASING CONCENTRATION GRADIENT that was set up by the Loops of Henle. (More water retained in a less concentrated urine.)

EXAMPLES OF DIURETICS:

- Caffeine
- Hops in beer
- Alcohol
- Pepper or chili (hot spices)
- Mustard
- Large quantities of Vitamin C

KIDNEYS AND BLOOD PRESSURE REGULATION

Because kidneys receive so much vascularization, they are intimately tied to fluid (water balance) regulation, and therefore blood pressure regulation.

WATER BALANCE:

The Amount of water to removed or retained is controlled in part by the kidneys.

Water Gain: Ingested food and fluid; metabolic water

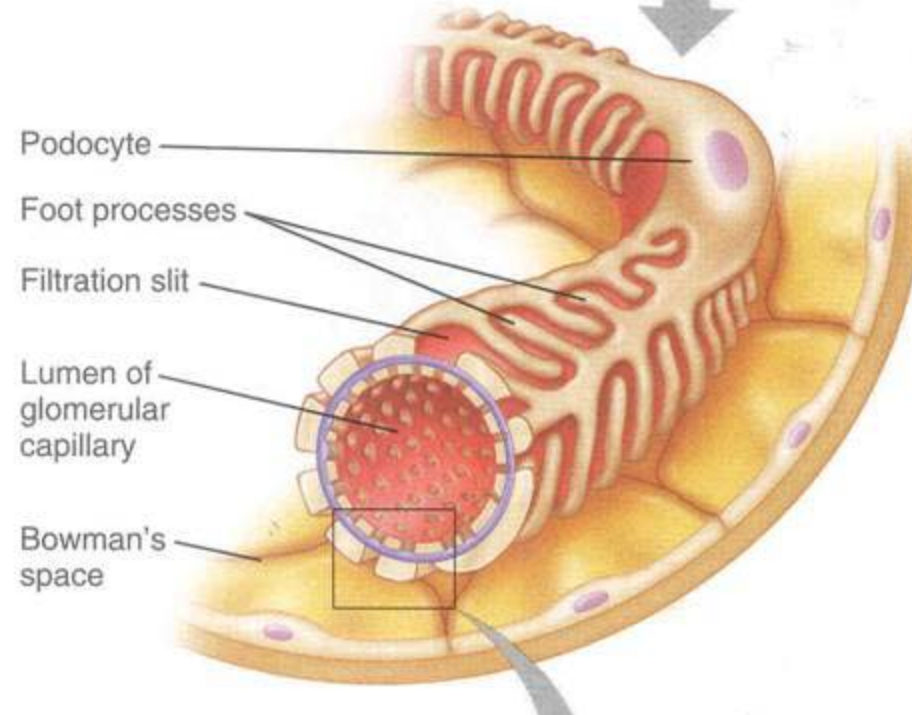
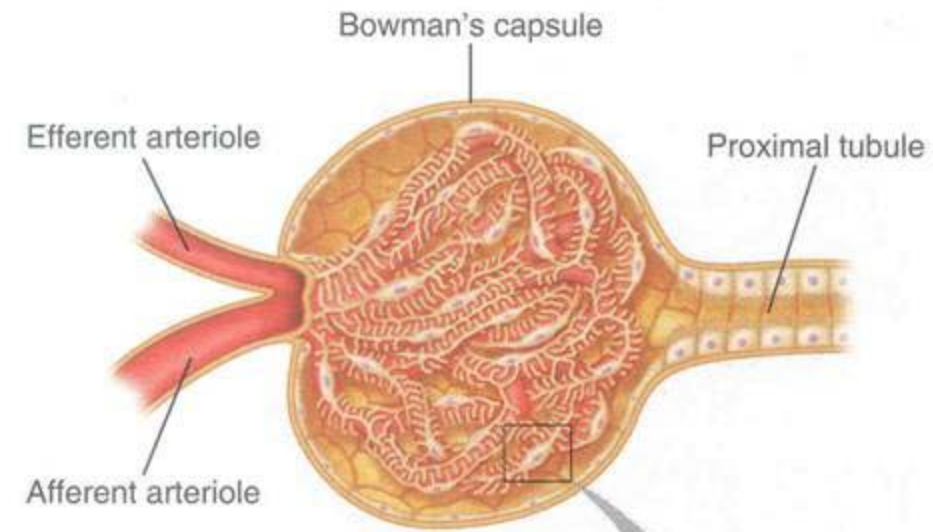
Carbohydrates + Oxygen \rightarrow Water + CO₂

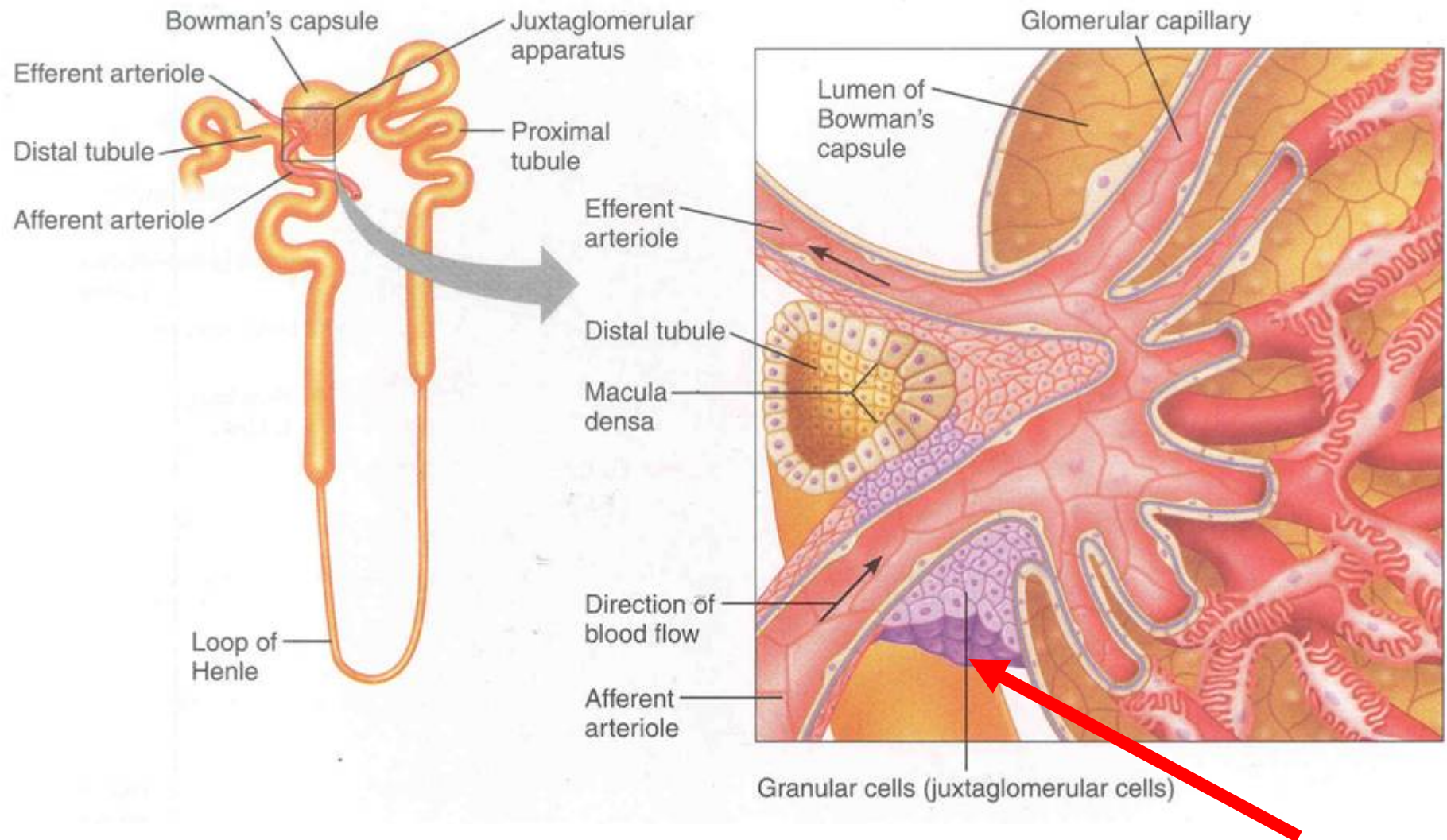


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Water Loss: urine, feces, sweat, evaporation at lungs or skin.





A change in fluid pressure in the extracellular region is sensed by the **JUXTAGLOMERULAR CELLS**.

OVERLAP:

INTRODUCING THE
ENDOCRINE SYSTEM
WITH EXAMPLES FROM
THE EXCRETORY SYSTEM.

ENDOCRINE SYSTEM

HORMONAL COMMUNICATION

Note: Nervous system is predominantly electrical in nature, though neurotransmitters are chemicals that diffuse between neurons. The synaptic cleft is very narrow, so nervous transmission remains high.

ENDOCRINE structures communicate by secreting chemicals INTO THE CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.

Because the endocrine system is a system wherein chemical diffuse through the circulatory system, it is slower, but often long-lasting in effect.

TYPES OF CHEMICAL REGULATORY AGENTS

- Simple, Widespread, Nonspecific (e.g. carbon dioxide, oxygen, calcium, etc.)
- More Complex and Specifically **MESSENGERS**.

Animals have specialized tissues that secrete regulatory molecules into the interstitial tissue and blood, and act on remote **TARGET CELLS** within the same organism (person).

The tissues that produce these molecules are **ENDOCRINE GLANDS**. The messenger molecules are called **HORMONES**.

By interaction of a hormone molecule with particular **RECEPTOR MOLECULES**, there is initiated in the target cell a series of steps that influence one or more aspects of the physiology or metabolism of the target cell.

Although hormones come into contact with all tissues in the body by virtue of their travel through the cardiovascular system, only cells that contain receptors specific for the hormone are affected by the hormone. These types of cells or organs are called **TARGET CELLS** or **TARGET ORGANS**.

PROPERTIES OF HORMONES

1. Hormones are produced and secreted by endocrine cells in TRACE AMOUNTS.
2. Hormones circulate in the blood to reach all tissues.
3. But, hormones react only with specific receptor molecules present in certain target cells/tissues.
4. Hormones act in CATALYTIC QUANTITIES, frequently activating enzymes.
5. A single hormone may have multiple effects on a single target tissue, or on several different target tissues.

Remember!!!

Just because a structure does one thing, doesn't mean it can't do other things.

Many structures are endocrine organs, and have other functions as well.

CLASSIFICATION OF HORMONES

(Hormone Classification by Function)

- **Kinetic Effects** – generally MOVEMENTS OF SOME KNID. E.g. pigment migration, muscle contraction, glandular secretion.
- **Metabolic Effects** – consisting mainly of changes in the RATE and balance of chemical reactions and concentrations in the body.
- **Morphogenetic Effects** – have to do with GROWTH and DIFFERENTIATION.

REGULATION OF HORMONE SECRETION

Generally modulated by **NEGATIVE FEEDBACK**. That is, the concentration of hormone itself (once it reaches a certain critical level or concentration), or a products of the response to the hormone by a target tissue, willhave an **INHIBITORY EFFEECT** on the synthetic or secretory processes responsible for the original production of the hormone.

Here, we will use a kidney function to demonstrate an endocrine feedback loop.

KIDNEYS AND BLOOD PRESSURE REGULATION

THE “RENIN-ANGIOTENSIN SYSTEM”

1. Decrease in blood pressure causes decrease in amount of extracellular fluid.
2. Decrease in extracellular pressure near distal convoluted tubule causes juxtaglomerular cells to release the hormone RENIN.
3. RENIN in blood stream converts the liver enzyme ANGIOTENSINOGEN into ANGIOTENSIN I.
4. ANGIOTENSIN CONVERTING ENZYME (in the lung) converts Angiotensin I into ANGIOTENSIN II.
5. Angiotensin II causes ADRENAL GLAND to secrete/release ALDOSTERONE.
6. Aldosterone is a vasoconstrictor (increasing blood pressure) and INCREASES COLLECTING DUCT PERMIABILITY.
7. Urine volume decreased, fluid retained, blood volume increases, blood pressure up.

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