Practical training
in Histology and Embryology

Information on practical course

- Tuesday 10:30 - 13:00

- RNDr. Petr Vaňhara, PhD (30)
- Dr. Hana Kotasová, PhD (32)
- Prof. Miroslava Sedláčková, CSc (33)
- MUDr. Ivana Baltasová (36)

- General issues
- Histology and Embryology
- Sample processing

Organization issues

- Beginning - **10:30 strictly**
- Change your shoes - you will not be allowed to enter the hall w/o indoor shoes
- Lockers – Jackets, coats, bags etc.
- Cell phone – switched off or in silent mode
- Microscopic hall = laboratory
  - – eating, drinking, smoking not allowed
  - – smoking strictly forbidden anywhere in LF
  - – students have to follow the instructions
  - – academic misconducts or inappropriate behavior result in excluding from the lesson or course

- Follow safety rules
- You have dedicated working place
- You are responsible for microscope, slide set, EM atlas

- **Practical lesson**

- Introduction
- Your individual work = study of the slides, schematic but precise drawing of tissue architecture, careful description. You make your own „study atlas“
- Students come prepared for practices - schedules and syllables – pin-boards or dpt. webpage
- Your knowledge is verified during semester
- Break – 10 minutes

- **Attendance**

- 100% attendance
- Substitution only in exceptional cases, after permissions from both the teacher of your group and the lesson where you plan to substitute
- Sign in to the list
- Make a protocol, let it check and sign by the lecturer

Registration of substitution:

Datum Date	Jméno Name	Ročník Year	Skupina Group	Č. praktika Nr. of practice	Č. místa Nr. of place	Vyučující - podpis Teacher- signature

- **Protocols**
- you have to make paper protocols (no tablets, laptops)
- A4 size, blank, without lines, according to the template
- pencil handdrawings (no pen)
- complete set of your protocols is required for getting the credits
- the quality of the protocol is approved by your teacher's signature at the end of practical lesson
- Low-quality protocols cannot be approved and you have to substitute the respective practical lesson
- **Testing your knowledge**
- every student is examined 5× per semester
- testing the knowledge of structures, including their English and Latin names, functions and biological context
- short written test with images or schemes, results: „Passed" or „Failed"
- You have to successfully pass all 5 tests
- If you fail in partial test, you can repeat it once per semester
- failing in the partial tests result in the overal Credit test at the end of semester

Protokol č. ..... **Jméno:** .....

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TÉMA: .....

Seznam preparátů ke studiu:
Číslo název (barvení)

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Atlas EM: doporučené obrázky ke studiu
str. název elektronogramu

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Pokyny pro vypracování protokolu

1. Student vyhotoví barevné nákresy histologických preparátů (pastelky) nebo černobílé nákresy obrázku z atlasu elektronogramů (obyčejná tužka).
2. Každý nákres musí být opatřen následujícími údaji:
   - **název preparátu** s uvedením **metody barvení** (viz Seznam výše), event. název elektronogramu
   - **zvětšení:** 10 x 4 / 10 x 10 / 10 x20 / 10 x 40 (tj. okulár x objektiv) nebo celk. zv.: 40x / 100x / 200x / 400x
   - popis obrázku.

Kontrola protokolu

Praktické cvičení: řádné		náhradní		datum .....

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podpis učitele

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- **Credits**

  - 100% attendance

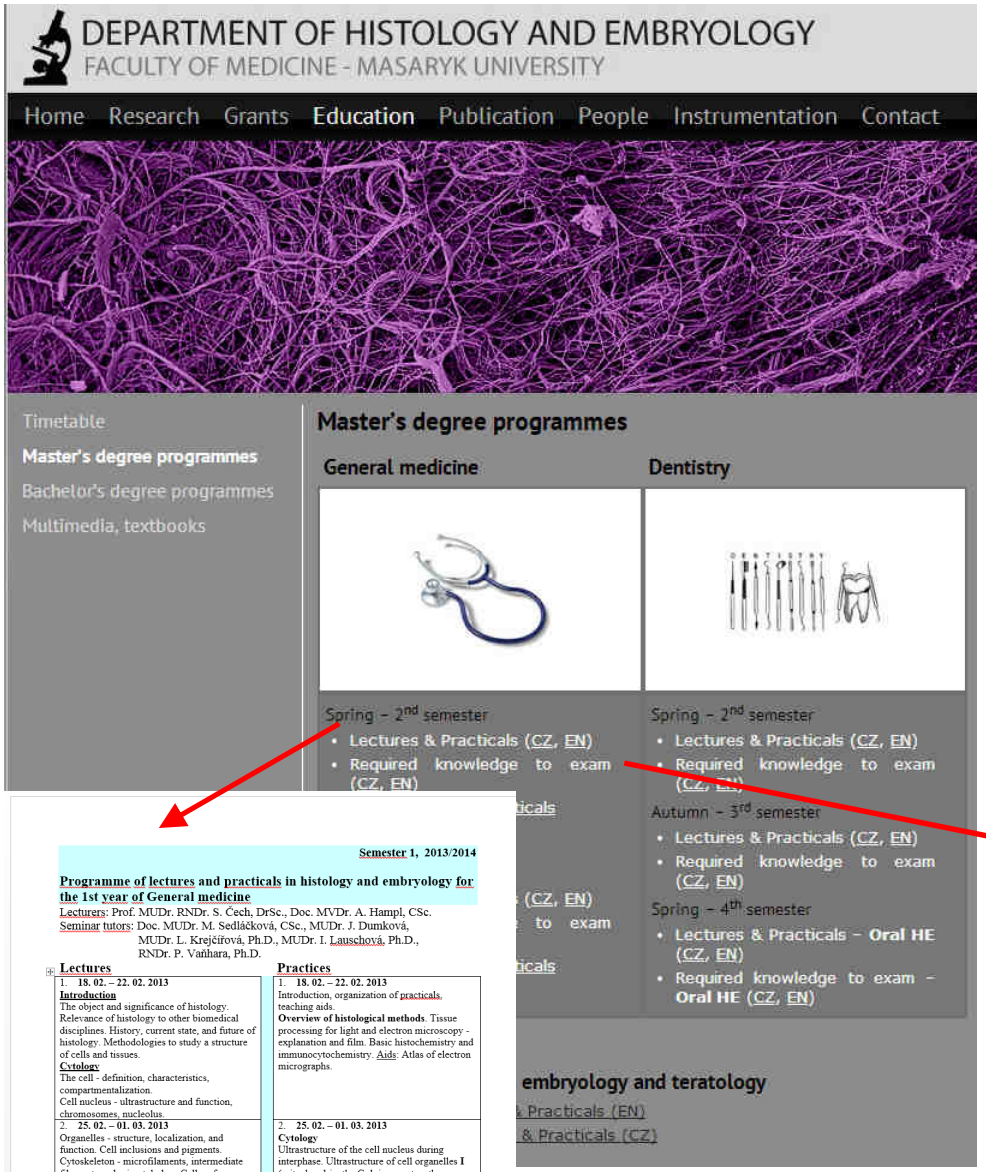
  - complete set of signed protocols from all lessons

  - Passed five tests

- End of practice:

  13:00

  - The practice is closed by the lecturer



Semester 1, 2013/2014

Programme of lectures and practicals in histology and embryology for the 1st year of General medicine

Lecturers: Prof. MUDr. RNDr. S. Čech, DrSc., Doc. MVDr. A. Hampl, CSc.
Seminar tutors: Doc. MUDr. M. Sedláčková, CSc., MUDr. J. Dumková, MUDr. L. Krejčířová, Ph.D., MUDr. I. Lauschová, Ph.D., RNDr. P. Vaňhara, Ph.D.

Lectures	Practices
1. **18. 02. – 22. 02. 2013** **Introduction** The object and significance of histology. Relevance of histology to other biomedical disciplines. History, current state, and future of histology. Methodologies to study a structure of cells and tissues. **Cytology** The cell - definition, characteristics, compartmentalization. Cell nucleus - ultrastructure and function, chromosomes, nucleolus.	1. **18. 02. – 22. 02. 2013** Introduction, organization of practicals, teaching aids. **Overview of histological methods**. Tissue processing for light and electron microscopy - explanation and film. Basic histochemistry and immunocytochemistry. Aids: Atlas of electron micrographs.
2. **25. 02. – 01. 03. 2013** Organelles - structure, localization, and function. Cell inclusions and pigments. Cytoskeleton - microfilaments, intermediate filaments and microtubules. Cell surface structures and intercellular bonds. Cell division cycle. Cell differentiation, cell migration, organization of cells into tissues and organs - general aspects.	2. **25. 02. – 01. 03. 2013** **Cytology** Ultrastructure of the cell nucleus during interphase. Ultrastructure of cell organelles **I** (mitochondria, the Golgi apparatus, the endoplasmic reticulum, ribosomes, lysosomes). Aids: Atlas of electron micrographs.
3. **04. 03. – 08. 03. 2013** **General histology** Tissues - definition, their origin, and classification. Connective and supporting tissue - general characteristics, their components and classification. The connective tissue proper - types, main distribution, and function. Supporting tissues - cartilage and bone - types, main distribution, and function. Histogenesis and regeneration of connective tissues.	3. **04. 03. – 08. 03. 2013** Ultrastructure of cell organelles **II** (peroxisomes, and the centriol). Cell inclusions. The arrangement of cell surfaces: apical, lateral, and basal ones. Intercellular junctions: adhering, occluding, and communicating ones.
4. **11. 03. – 15. 03. 2013** Epithelial tissue - definition, classification, and histogenesis. Epithelial membranes and glandular epithelium - an overview;	4. **11. 03. – 15. 03. 2013** **General histology**: Use of the light microscope, common faults in microscopy. Results of basic staining methods in histology;

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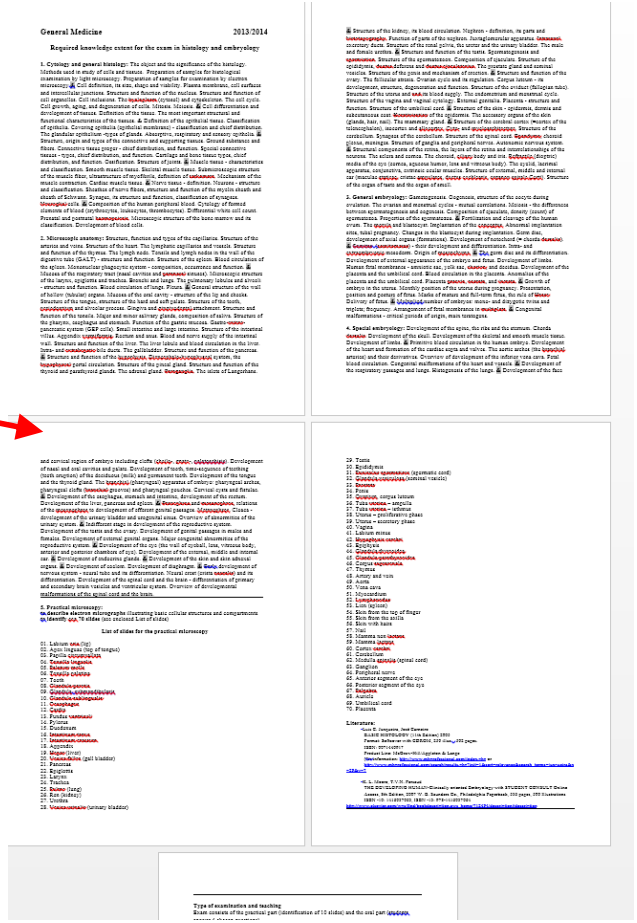
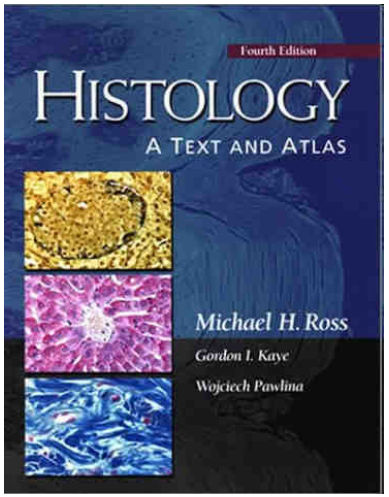
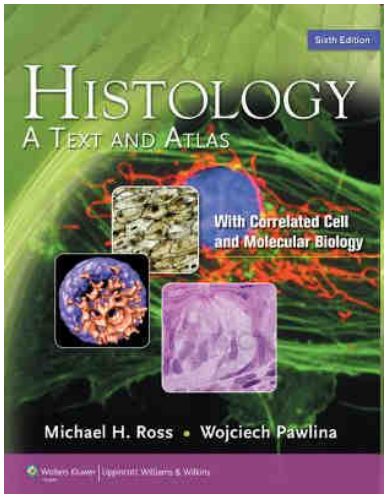
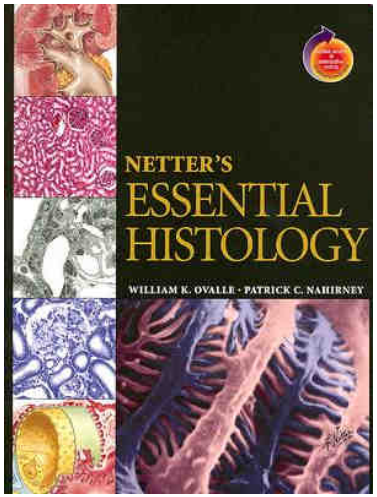
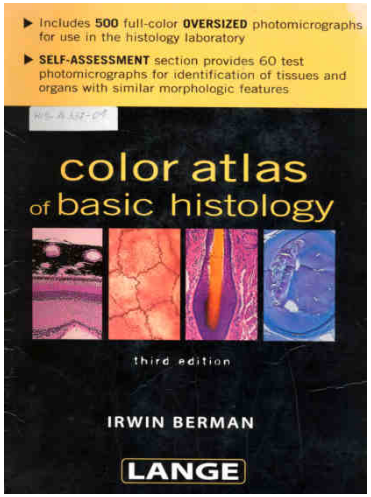


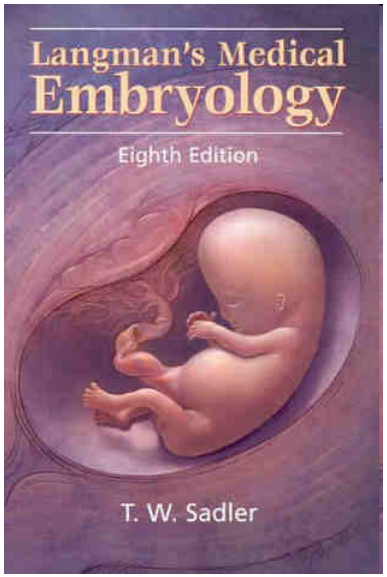
Recommended literature

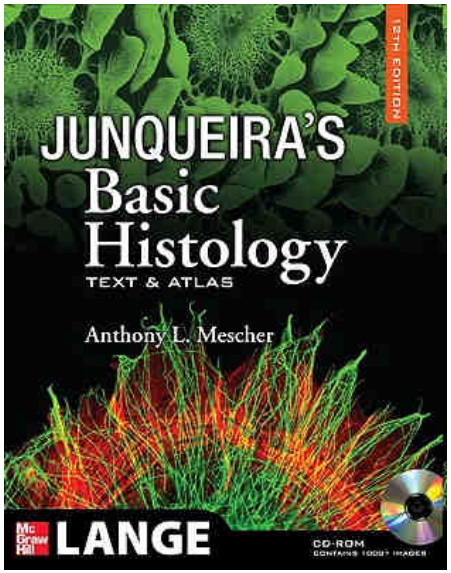




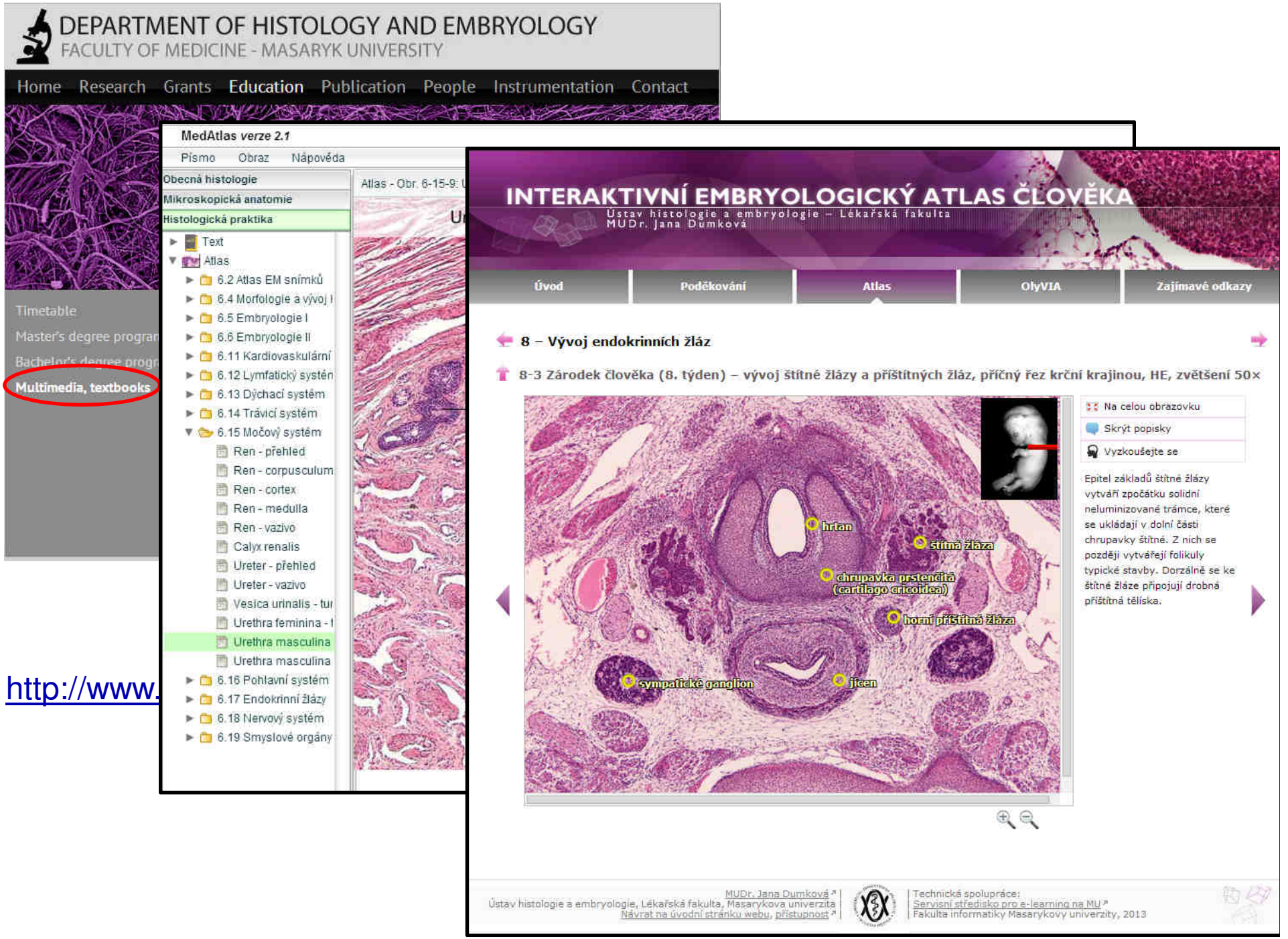








Lectures
Protocols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6.11 Kardiovaskulární
6.12 Lymfatický systén
6.13 Dýchací systém
6.14 Trávicí systém
6.15 Močový systém
Ren - přehled
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Ureter - přehled
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6.16 Pohlavní systém
6.17 Endokrinní žlázy
6.18 Nervový systém
6.19 Smyslové orgány
Atlas - Obr. 6-15-9:
INTERAKTIVNÍ EMBRYOLOGICKÝ ATLAS ČLOVĚKA
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Zajímavé odkazy
8 – Vývoj endokrinních žláz
8-3 Zárodek člověka (8. týden) – vývoj štítné žlázy a příštítných žláz, příčný řez krční krajinou, HE, zvětšení 50×
hrtan
štítná žláza
chrupavka prstenčitá (cartilago cricoidea)
horní příštitná žláza
sympatické ganglion
jícen
Na celou obrazovku
Skrýt popisky
Vyzkoušejte se
Epitel základů štítné žlázy vytváří zpočátku solidní neluminizované trámce, které se ukládají v dolní části chrupavky štítné. Z nich se později vytvářejí folikuly typické stavby. Dorzálně se ke štítné žláze připojují drobná příštitná tělíska.
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HISTOLOGY

- structure and ultrastructure of normal cells and tissues,
- **cytology and general histology**
- **special histology** = microscopic anatomy of individual organs

- relevance: oncology, surgery, hematology, pathology, forensic,…

EMBRYOLOGY

– prenatal (intra uterine) development

- **General embryology** (until 2nd month – EMBRYO)

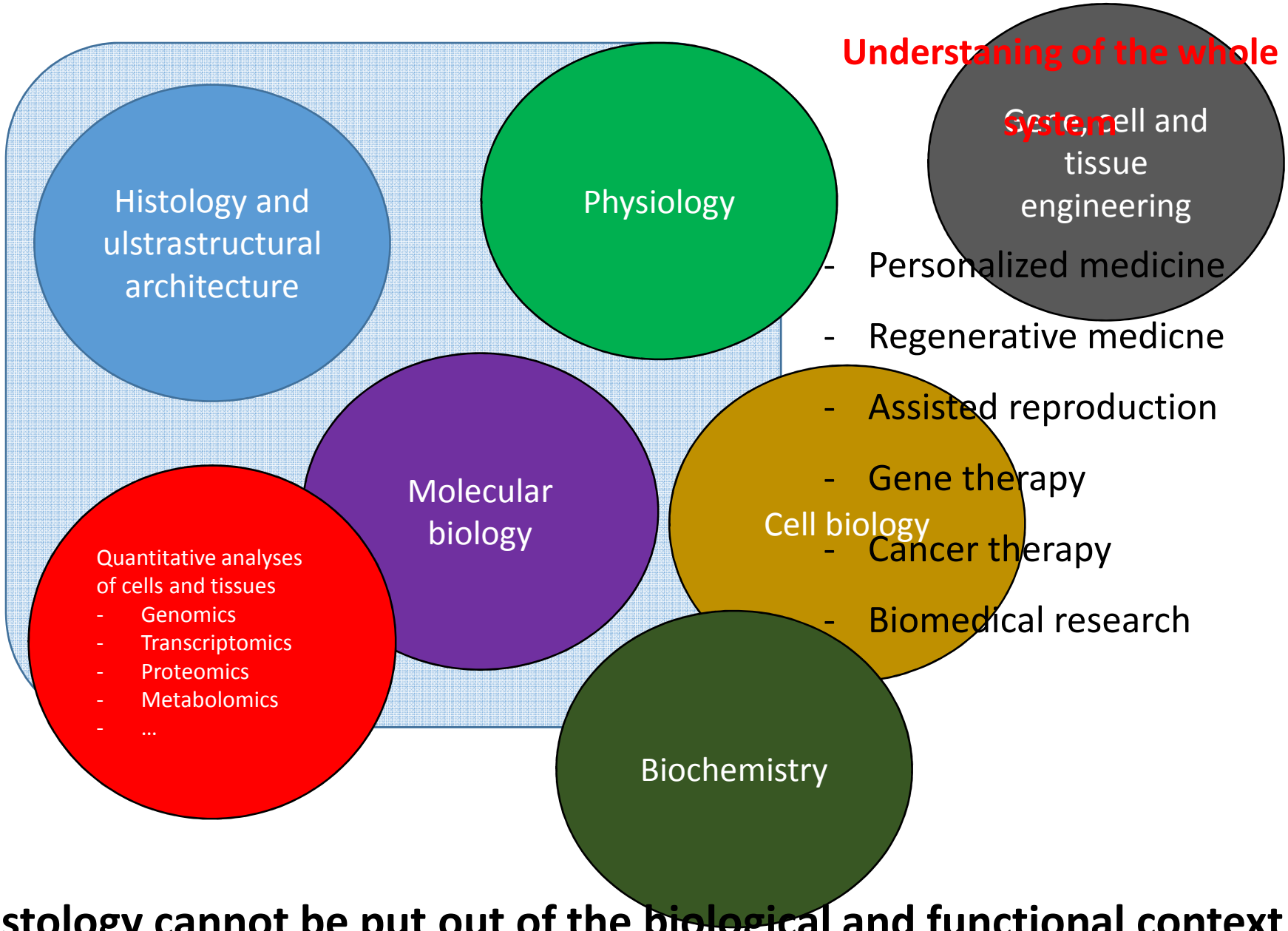
  gametogenesis and early embryonic development

- **Special embryology** (since 3rd month to birth – FETUS)

  organogenesis

- **Teratology** – defects in organ development, malformations, anomalies; prenatal screening – ultrasonography, amniocentesis, genetic and karyotype screening

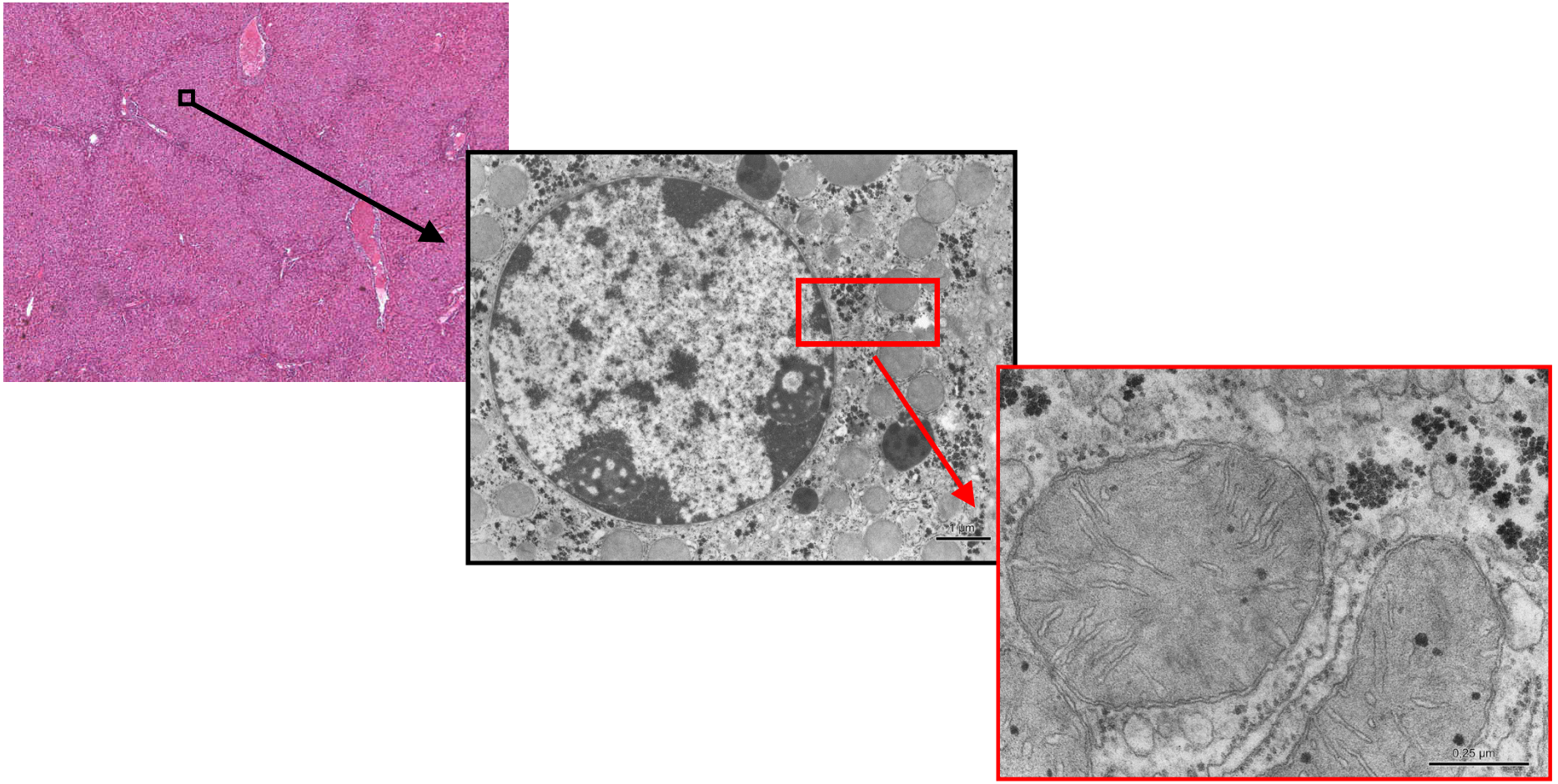
- Relevance: gynecology and obstetrics, pediatrics, assisted reproduction



Histology cannot be put out of the biological and functional context

Histology

- Resolution of naked eye – 0,1 mm
- Resolution of light microscopy – 10 nm
- Resolution of electron microscopy – 0,1 nm



Tissue processing for the light microscopy (LM)

(making of permanent preparations – slides)

- **SAMPLING** (obtaining of material – cells, tissue pieces)
- **FIXATION** of samples (tissue blocks)
- **RINSING** (washing) of samples
- **EMBEDDING** of samples - embedded blocks
- **CUTTING** of blocks - sections
- **AFFIXING** of sections
- **STAINING** of sections
- **MOUNTING** of sections

SAMPLING

- A small piece of organ (tissue) is sampled and quickly put into the fixative medium.

- Biopsy during surgical dissection of organs in living organism

  = excision

  = puncture (liver or kidney parenchyma, bone marrow)

  = curettage (uterine endometrium, adenoid vegetation)

- Necropsy from dead individual (sections); in experiments laboratory animals are used and tissue have to be sampled as soon as possible after the break of blood circulation

- The specimens shouldn't be more than **5 – 10 mm^3** thick and fixation should follow immediately.

FIXATION

- Definition: denaturation and stabilization of cell proteins with minimum artifacts)

- The reason of fixation: freshly removed tissues are chemically unstable – dry, shrink, undergo hypoxia, autolysis and bacteriological changes

- To stop or prevent these changes and preserve the structure tissue samples have to be fixed. During the fixation, all tissue proteins are converted into inactive denaturized (stable) form.

- 3 main requirements on fixatives:
  - good preservation of structure
  - quick penetration into tissue block
  - no negative effects on tissue staining

- Fixatives: solutions of different chemicals

  - organic fixatives – ALDEHYDES – formaldehyde (*most frequently used for LM*)

    – glutaraldehyde (*used for EM*)

    – ALCOHOLS – 96 – 100 % (absolute) ethylalcohol

    – ORGANIC ACIDS – glacial acetic acid, picric acid,

    trichloracetic acid

  - inorganic fixatives – INORGANIC ACIDS – chromic acid, osmium tetraoxide (OsO4)

    – SALTS OF HEAVY METALS – mercuric chloride HgC_{l2}

  - compound fixatives – mixtures (two or more chemical components to offset

    undesirable effects fo indiviual (simple) fixatives.

    FLEMMING´s fluid – with OsO_4

    ZENKER´s and HELLY´s fluid, SUSA fluid – with $HgCl_2$

    BOUIN´s fluid – with picric acid

    CARNOY´s fluid – with alcohol

Performance: fixatives are carried out at room temperature, the duration varies between **12 – 24 hours**, specimen must be covered by 20 – 50 times fixative volume:

Ratio of tissue block volume to fixative volume 1 cm^3 : 20 – 50 cm3

RINSING and EMBEDDING

- All samples should be washed to remove the excess of fixative; the choice of rinsing medium is determined by type of fixative: running tap-water or 70-80% ethanol

- Relevance of embedding: tissues and organs are brittle and unequal in density, they must be hardened before cutting

Embedding media

- water soluble – gelatine, celodal, water soluble waxes
- anhydrous – paraffin, celoidin

EMBEDDING into PARAFFIN

- dehydration – to remove water from fixed samples by ascending series of ethanol is used (50%, 70%, 90%, 96%. each step - 2 – 6 hours
- clearing – the ethanol must be replaced with organic solvatant that dissolves paraffin – benzene or xylene
- infiltration – melted paraffin wax (56°C) is used; 3 x 6 hours.

- casting (blocking out) – moulds (plastic, paper or metal chambers) are used for embedding.

- The moulds are filled with melted paraffin, tissue samples are then placed inside and immediately immersed in cold water to cool paraffin quickly down.
- These paraffin blocks are ready for trimming

Leica TP 1020

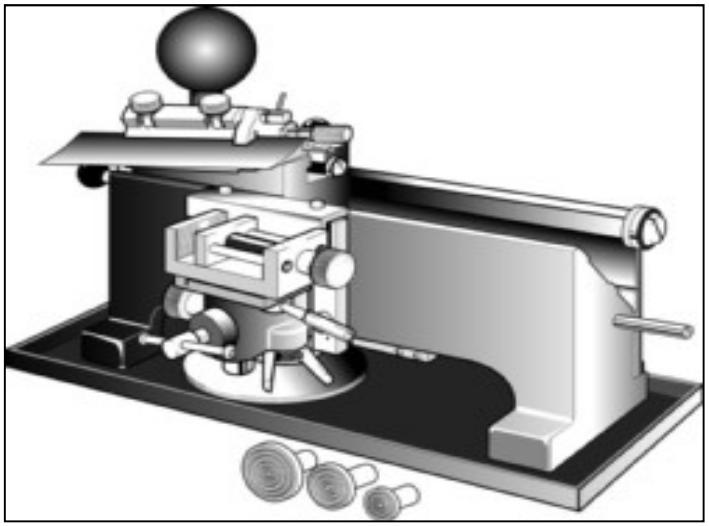
Automated device for tissue dehydration

Paper chambers

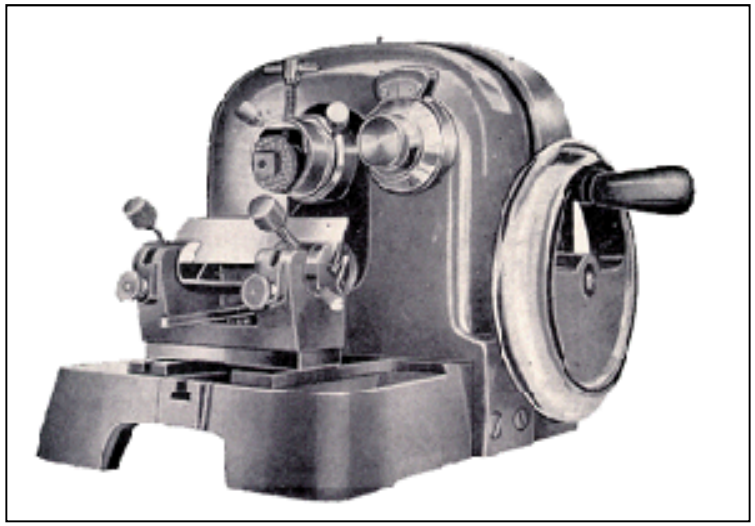
- **metal**

CUTTING

- Microtome – a machine with automatic regulation of section thickness: 5 – 10 µm is optimum.



sliding microtome – block is fixed in holder, knife or razor moves horizontally



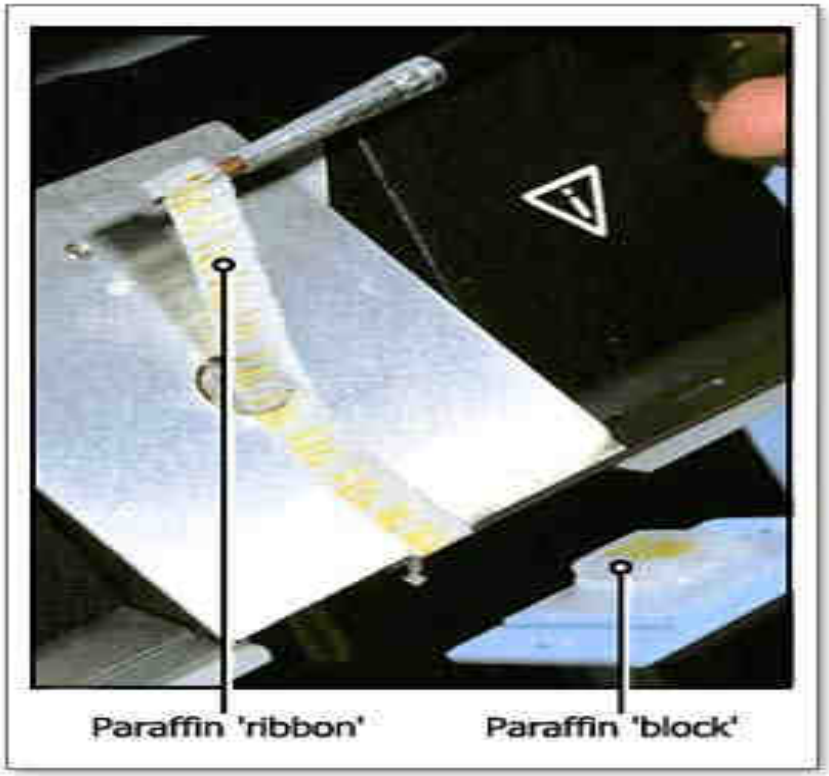
rotary microtome – knife is fixed, block holder moves vertically

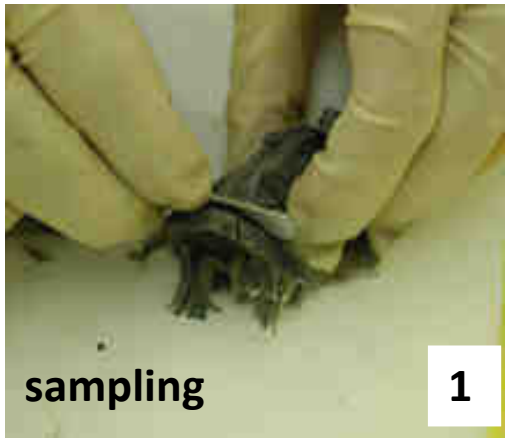
Sliding microtome

Rotary microtome

Freezing microtome (**cryostat**)
= rotary microtome housed in freezing box
(– 60º C)

Cutting of frozen tissue without the embedding

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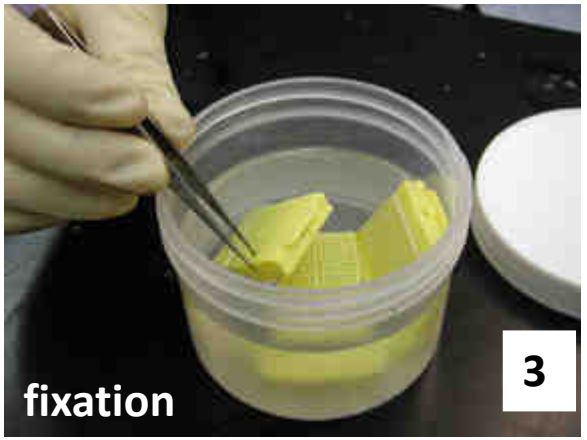
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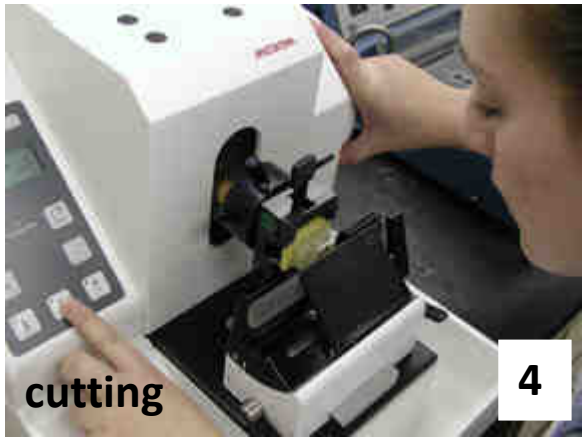
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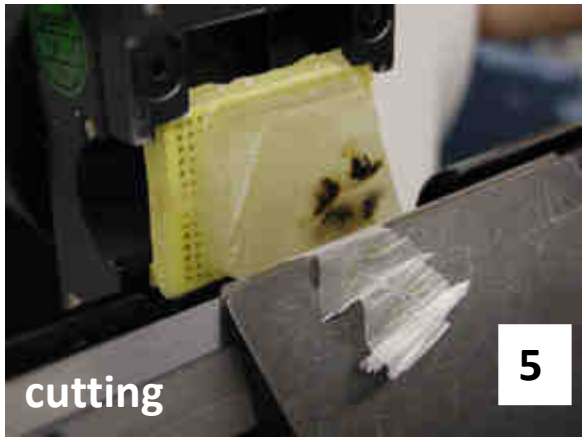
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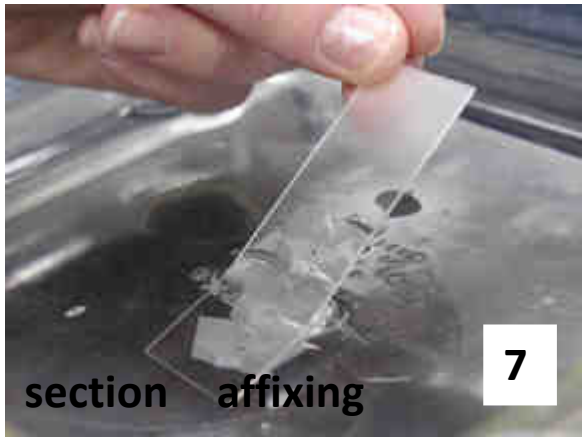
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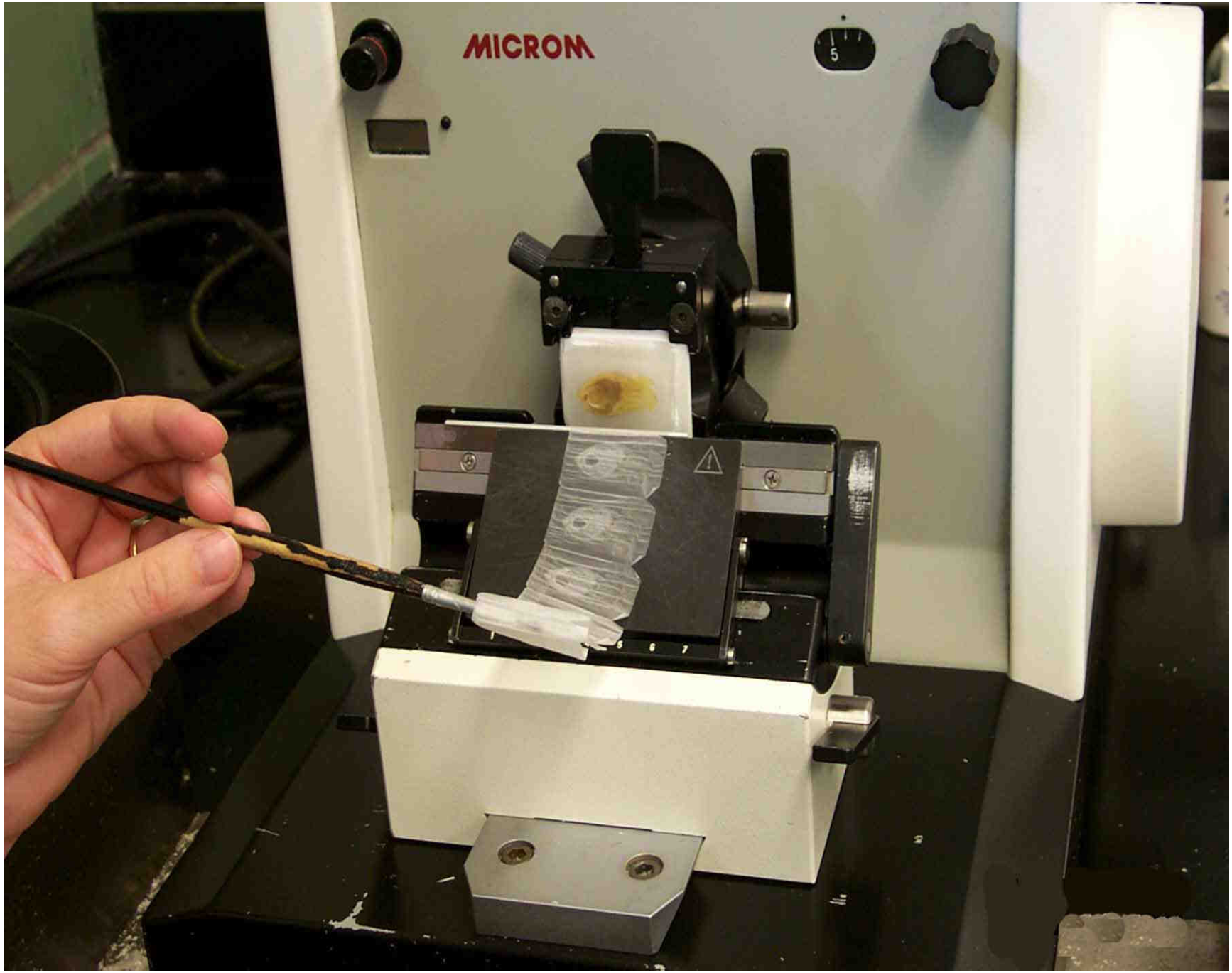
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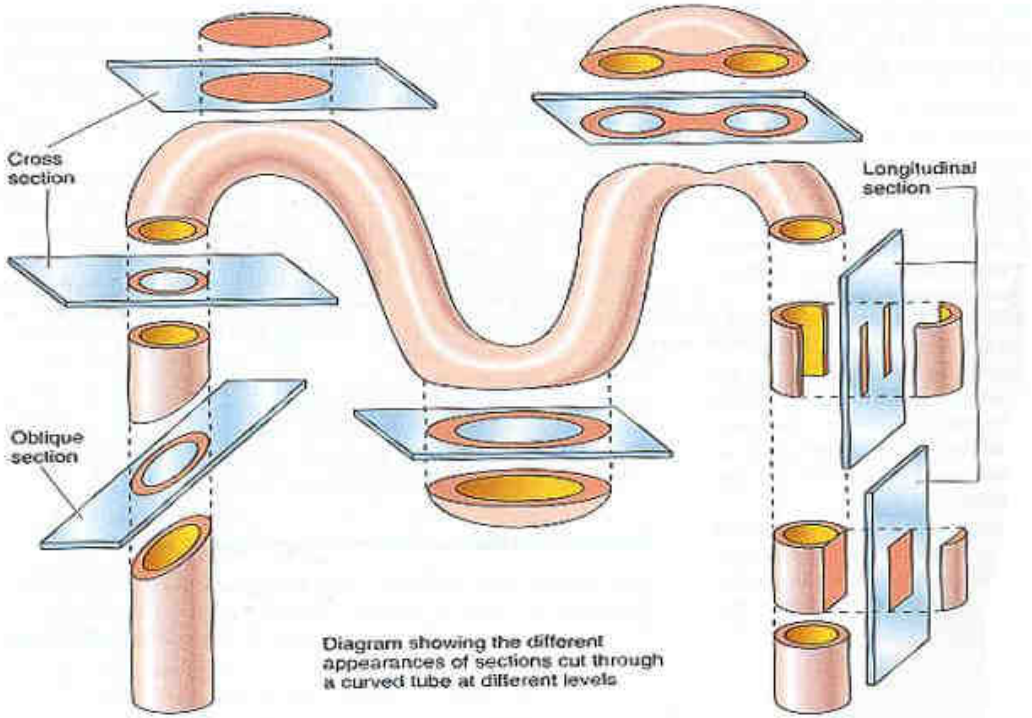
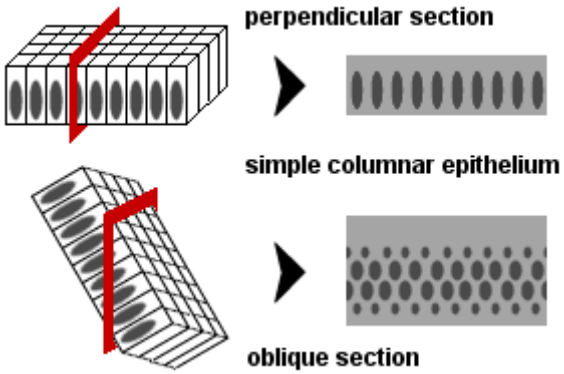


Diagram showing the different appearances of sections cut through a curved tube at different levels



AFFIXING

- Mixture of glycerin and egg albumin or gelatin

- Section are transferred from microtome razor or knife on the level of warm water (45º C), where they are stretched; then they are put on slides coated with adhesive mixture; excess of water is drained and slides are put in incubator (thermostat, 37º C) over night to affixing of sections.

Stretching of sections on warm water

Stretching on a warm plate

STAINING

- Different cell or tissue structures are not apparent without staining.
- Cellular structures exhibit different affinity to staining dyes

alkaline dyes (basic or nuclear) – react with anionic groups of cell and tissue components

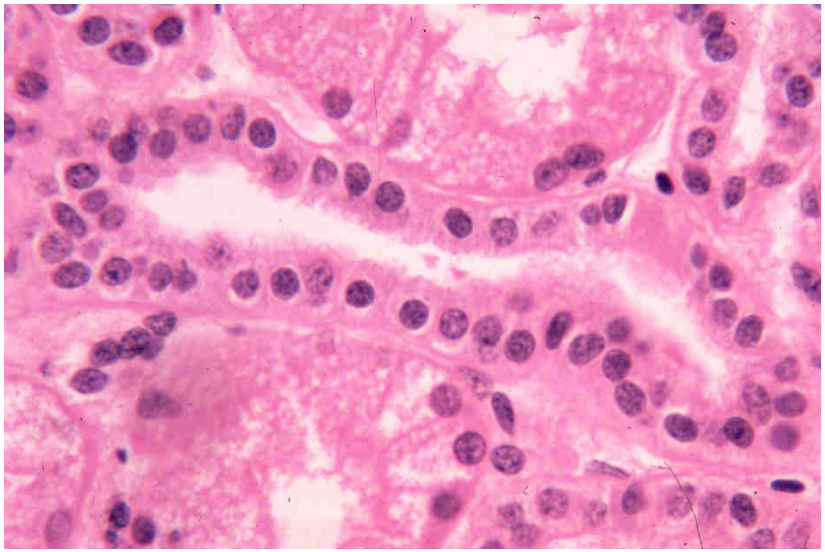
basophilia – basophilic structures in the cell

acid dyes (cytoplasmic) – react with cationic groups

acidophilia – acidophilic structures in the cell

neutrophilia – no reaction

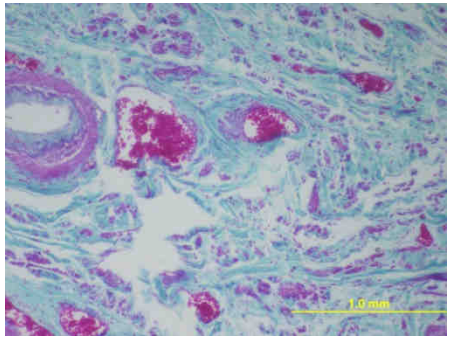
HE – the most frequent used method

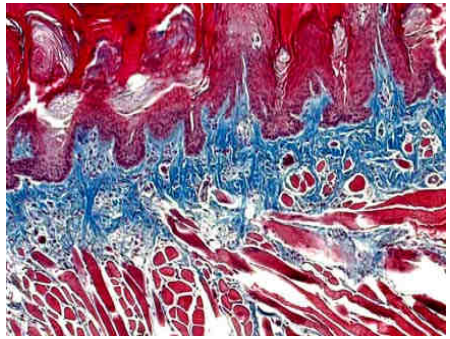


Staining methods:

routine – HE, AZAN

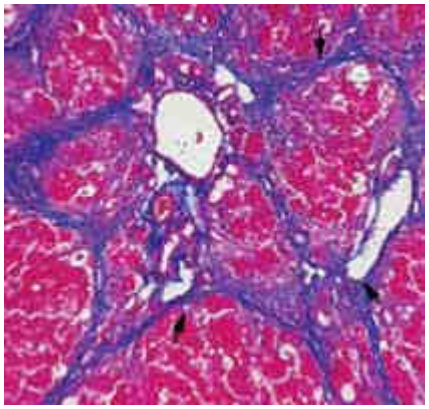
(demonstrate all components of tissue)





special

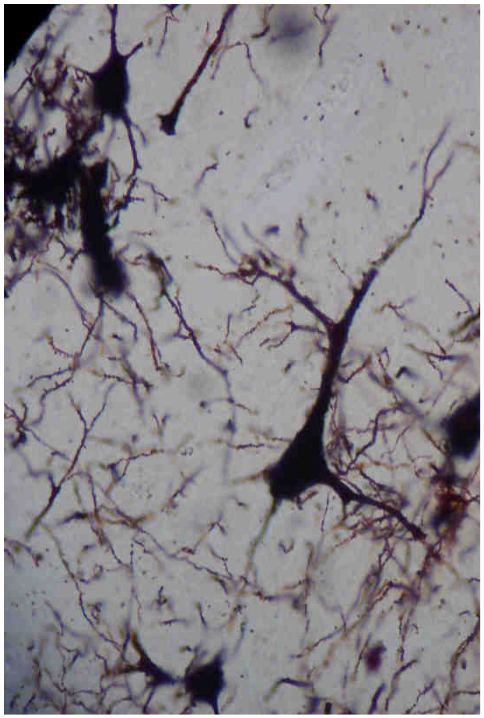
visualizes only special structures



Lipid droplets
detected by oil red

impregnation

by silver salt for detection
of nerve or reticular fibers



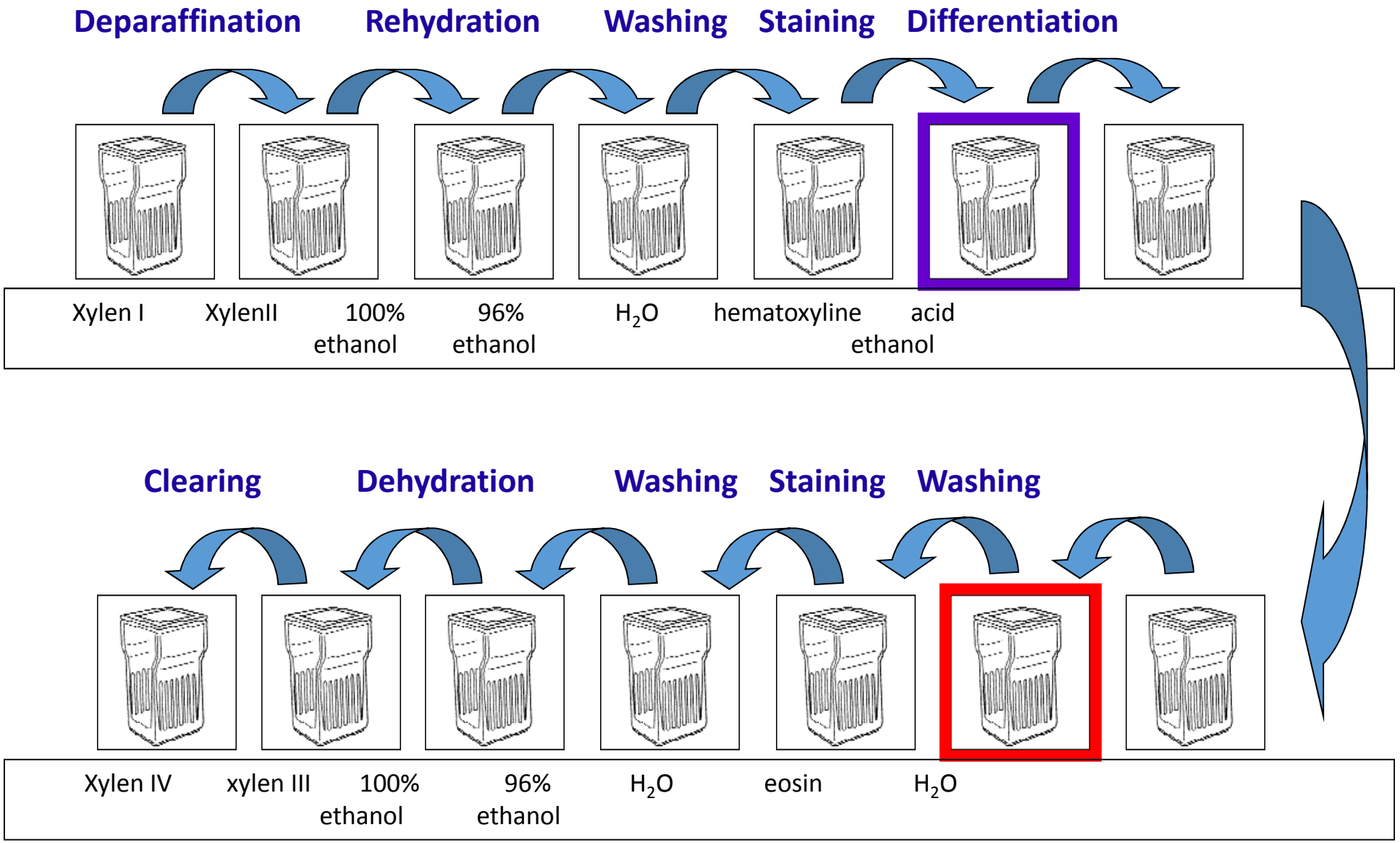
ROUTINE STAINING with HEMATOXYLINE – EOSIN (HE)

Hematoxyline – basic (nuclear) dye

Eosin – acid (cytoplasmic dye

- Staining procedure:
- paraffin must be removed (dissolved) by xylene
- sections are rehydrated in descending series of ethanol (100% →96% →80%)
- staining with hematoxyline
- differentiation in acid ethanol and water (excess of dye is removed)
- staining with eosin
- rinsing in water (excess of dye is removed)
- dehydration in graded ethanol series (80% →96% →100%)
- clearing in xylene

HEMATOXYLINE – EOSIN (HE)



Staining results:

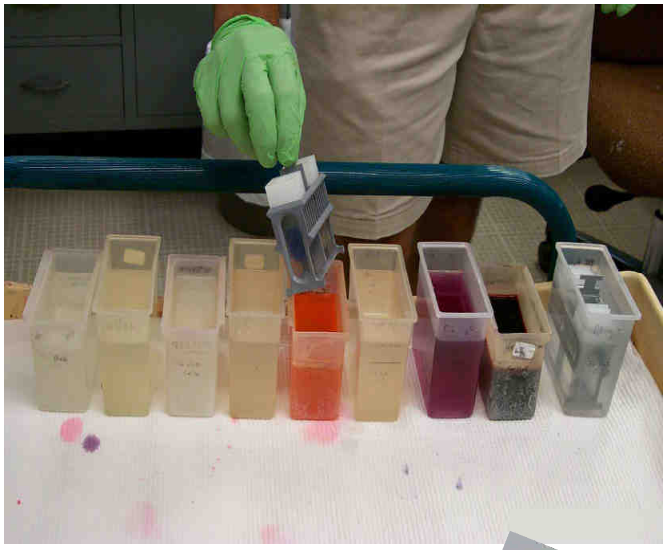
- **HE** = ***H****ematoxyline* – ***E****osin*
  nuclei – bright clear blue or dark violet
  cytoplasm and collagen fibers – pink
  muscle tissue – red

- **HES** = ***H****ematoxyline* – ***E****osin* – ***S****afron*
  connective tissue – yellow

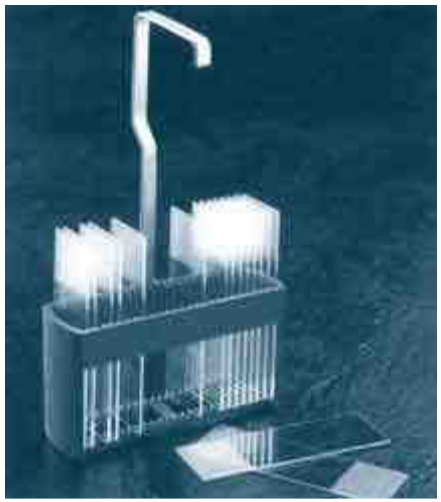
- **AZAN** = ***AZ****ocarmin* – ***AN****iline blue* – *orange G*
  nuclei – red
  erythrocytes – orange
  muscle – red
  collagen fibers – blue

Staining tools:

cuvette



flask



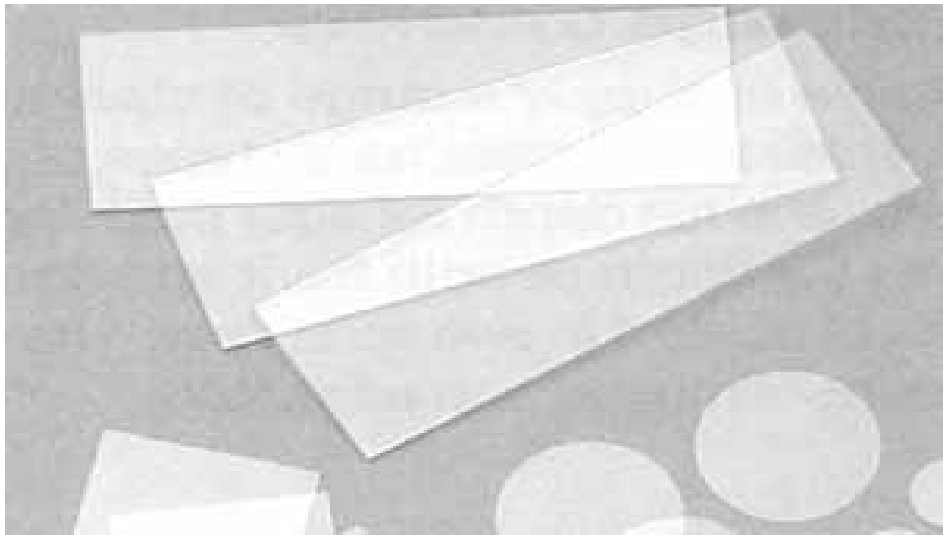
slides holder
(basket)

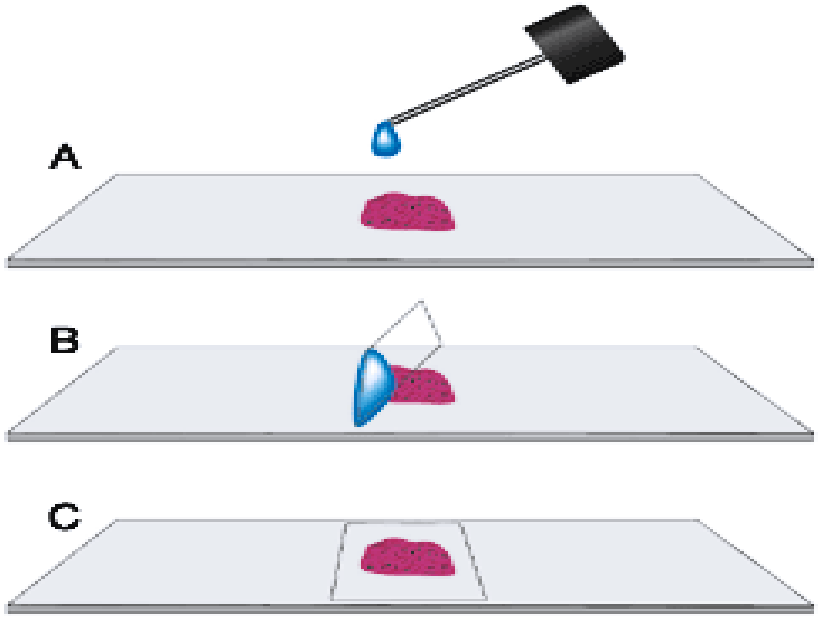
Automatic slide stainer

staining set of boxes with media

MOUNTING

- Finally, preparates are closed with coverslip (coverglass) to form a permanent preparate. Small amount of mounting medium must be placed between stained section and the coverslip.

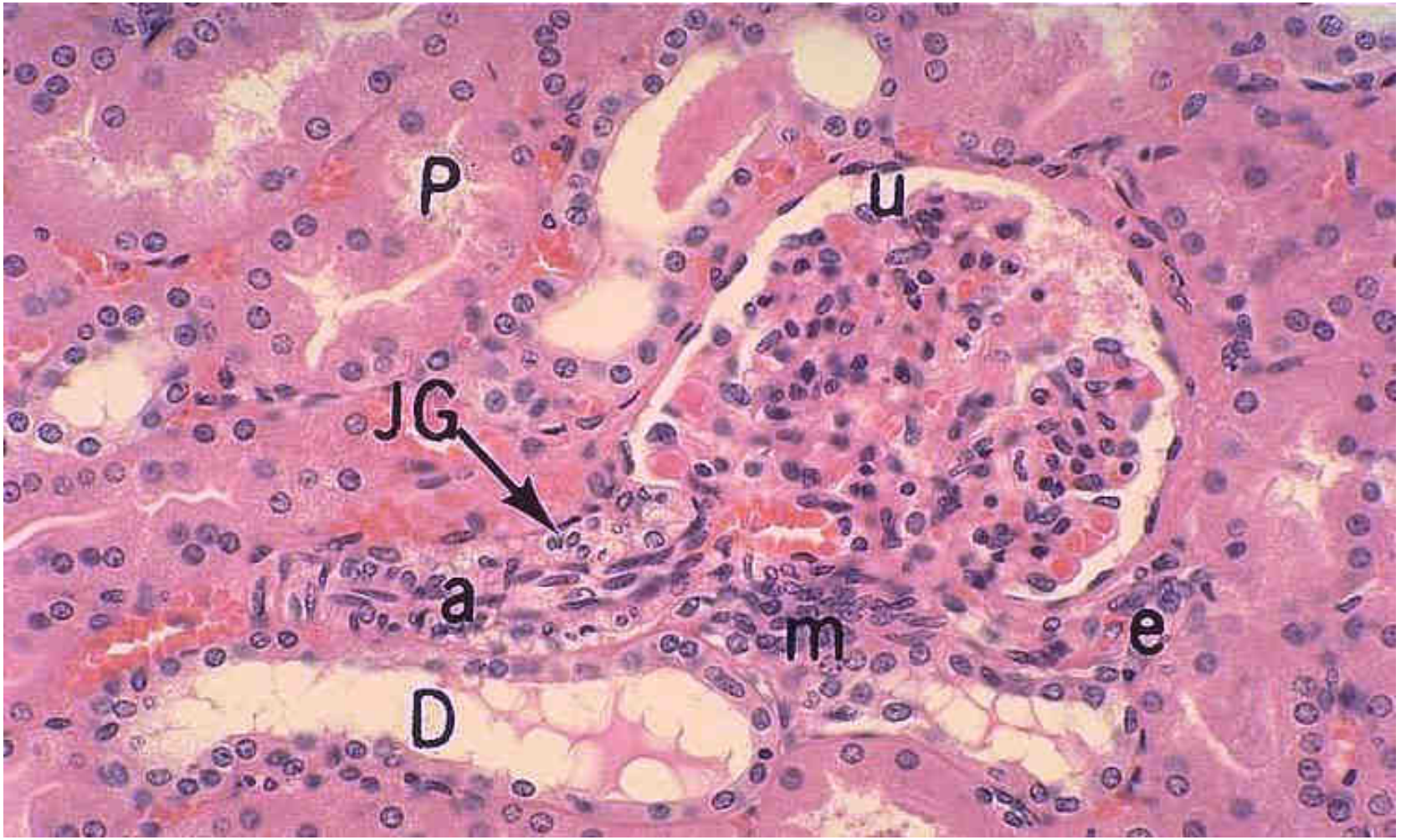




- **Mounting media**: soluble in xylene – **canada balsam**
  soluble in water – glycerin-gelatine, arabic gum

Permanent histological slides for study in the light microscope

Hematoxyline and eosin (HE)



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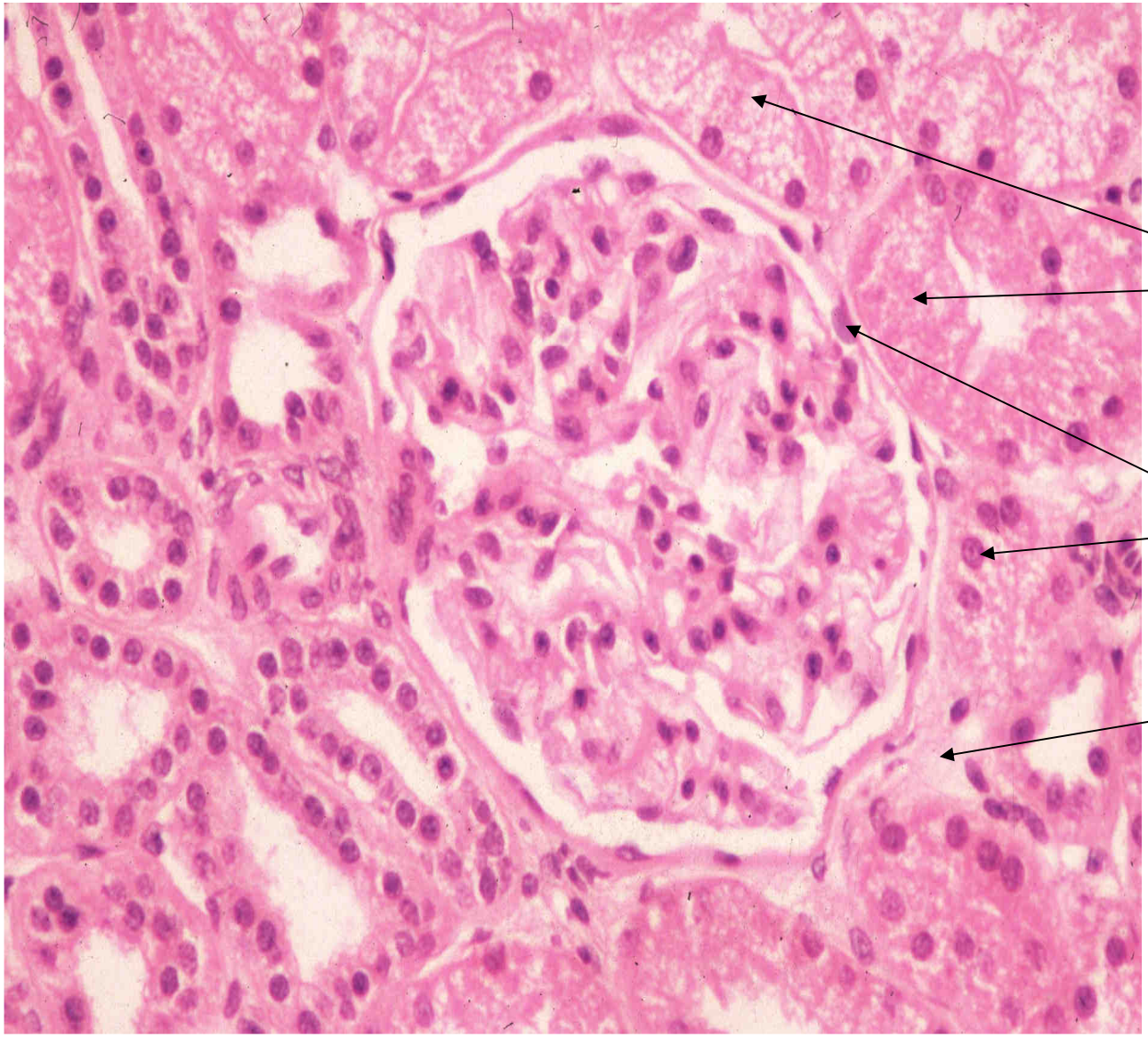

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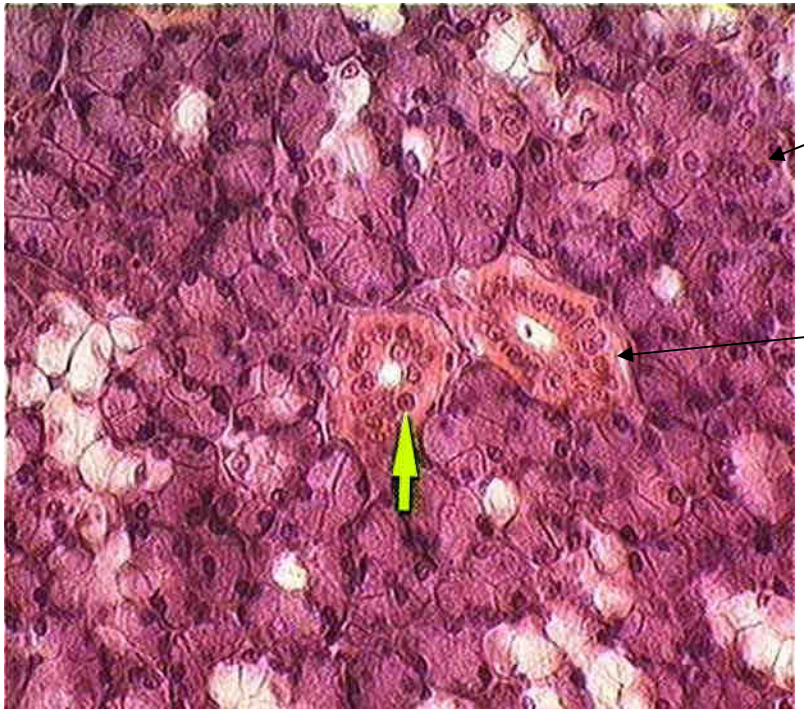
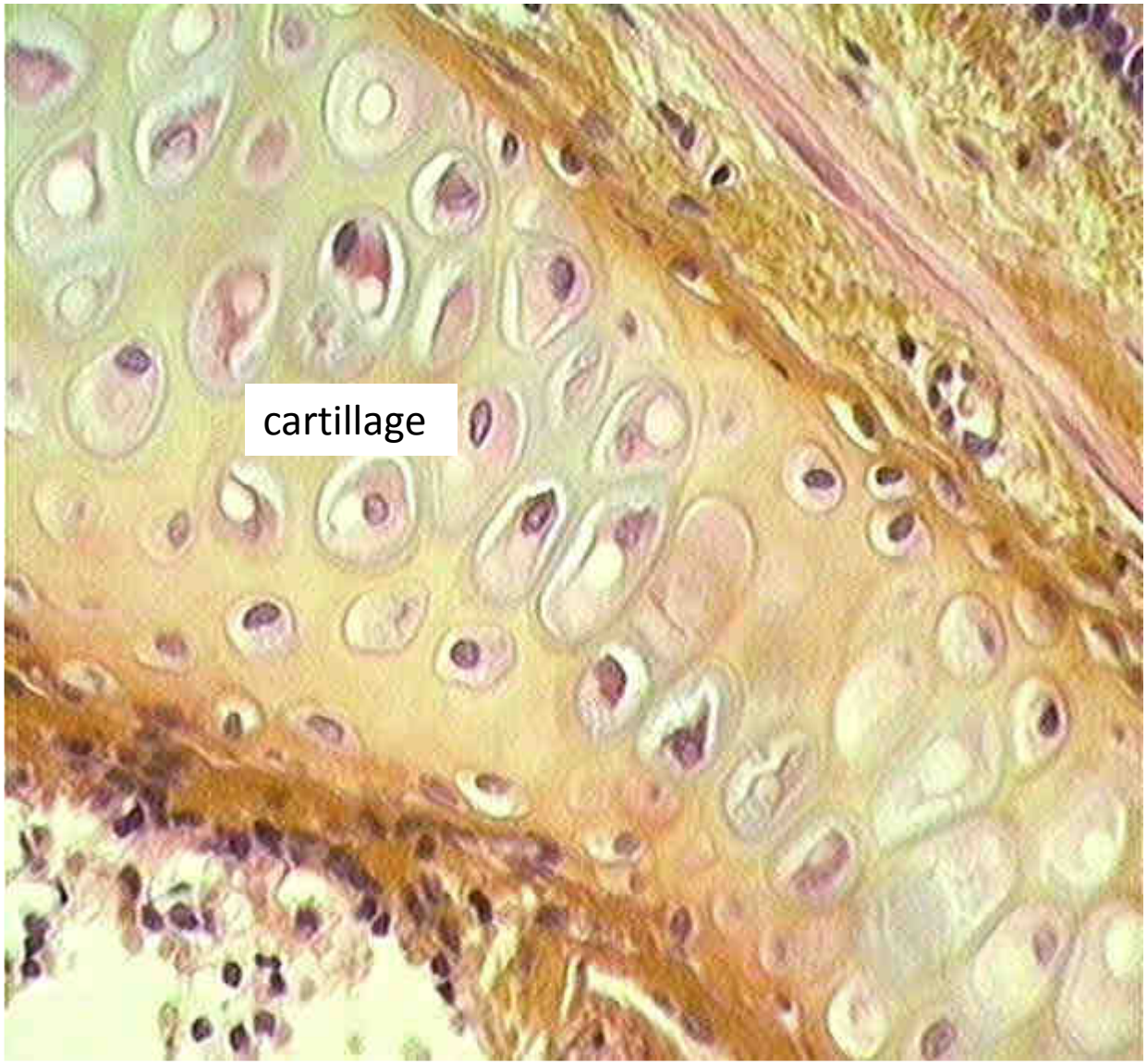


basophilic cytoplasm of glandular cells *(contains ribosomes with RNA)*

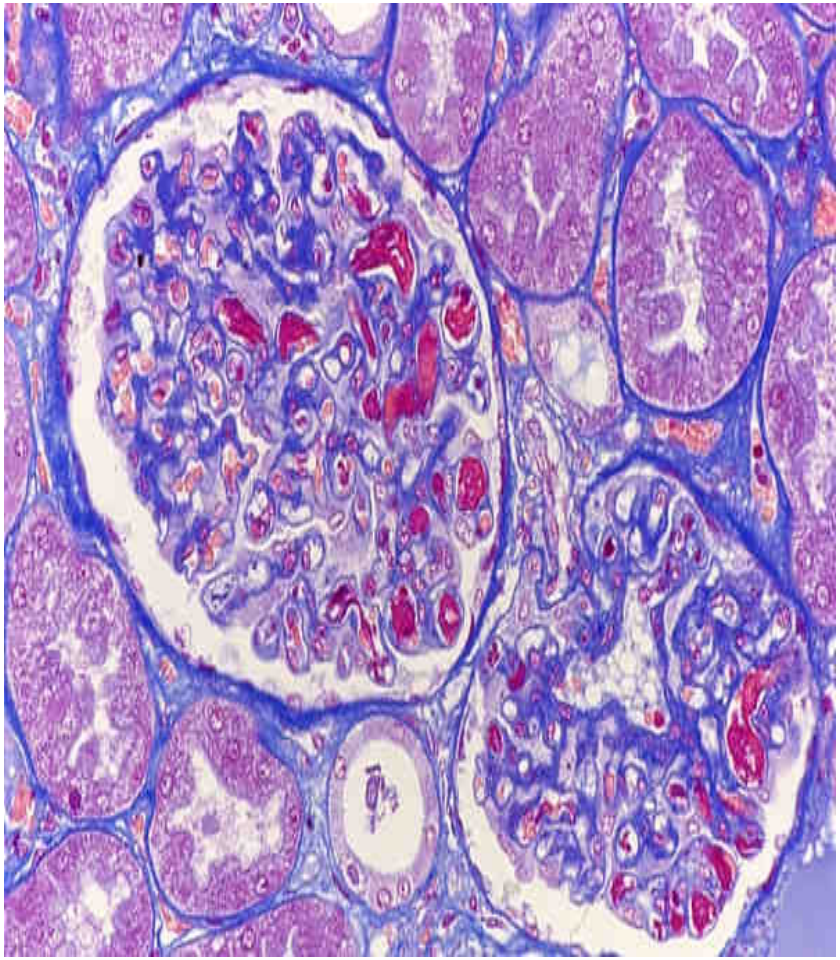
acidophilic cytoplasm of epithelial cells

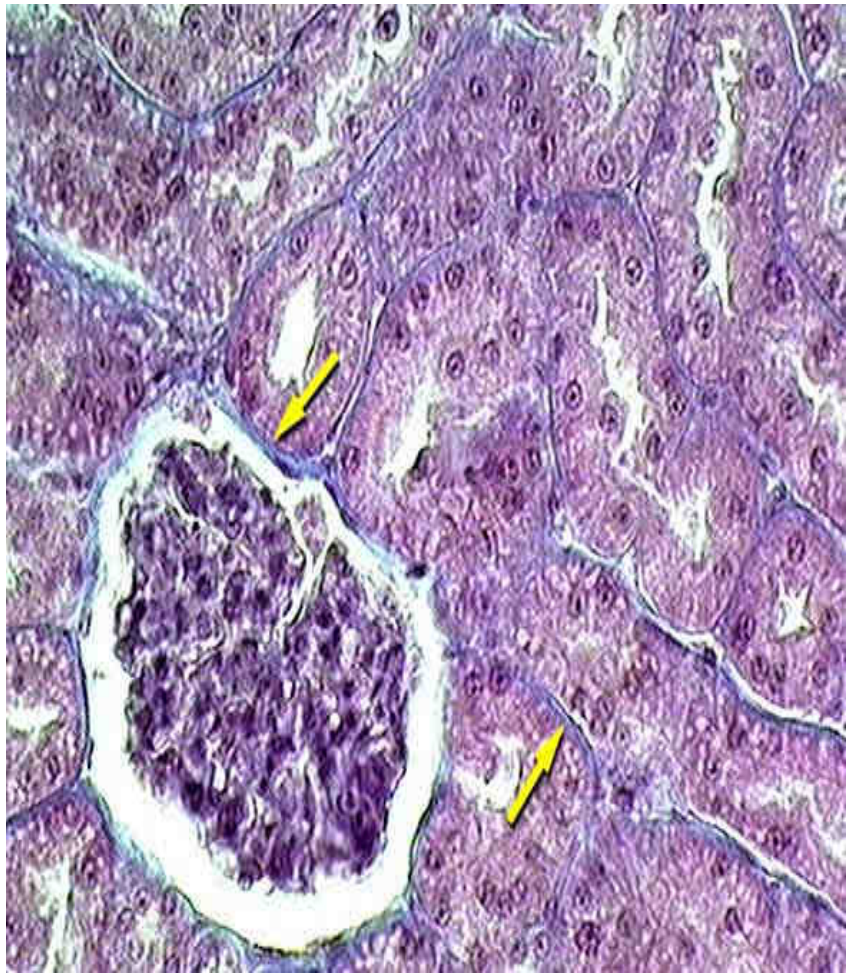
Hematoxyline, eosin and saffron (HES)



Collagenous fibers
of connective tissue
are yellow after staining
with saffron

Azocarmine and aniline blue (AZAN)

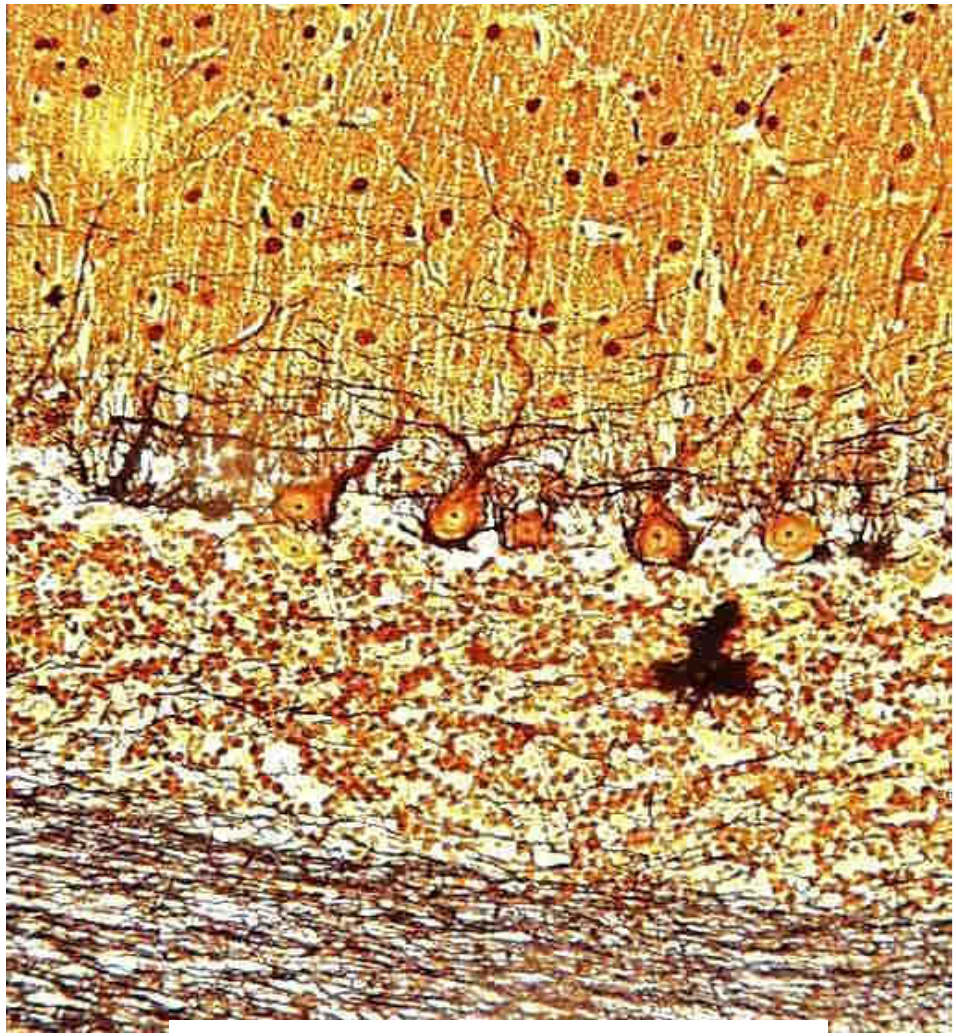




Kidney – collagen connective tissue

Impregnation of tissue with silver

Lien - reticular fibers

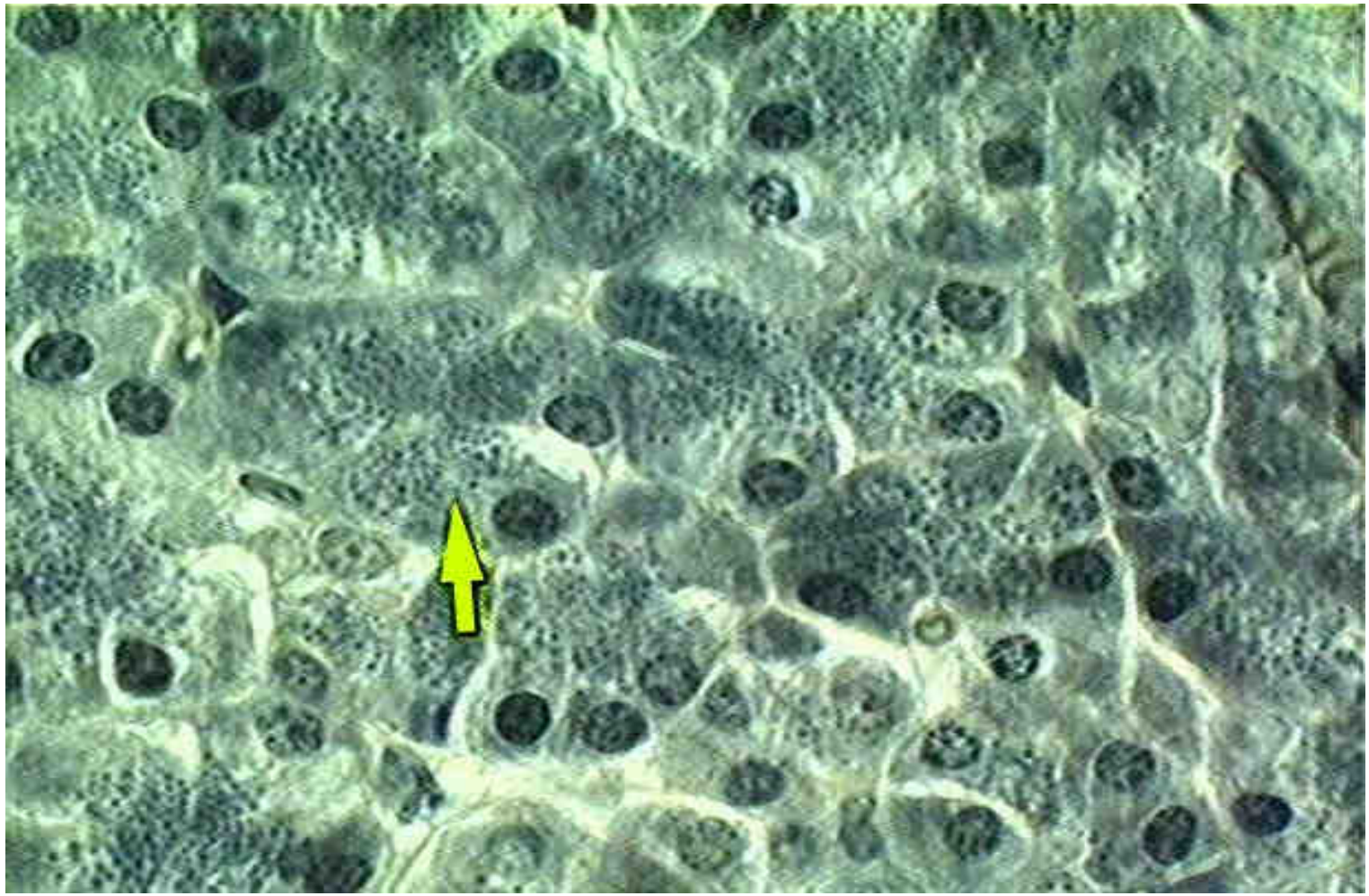


Cerebellum – nerve fibers

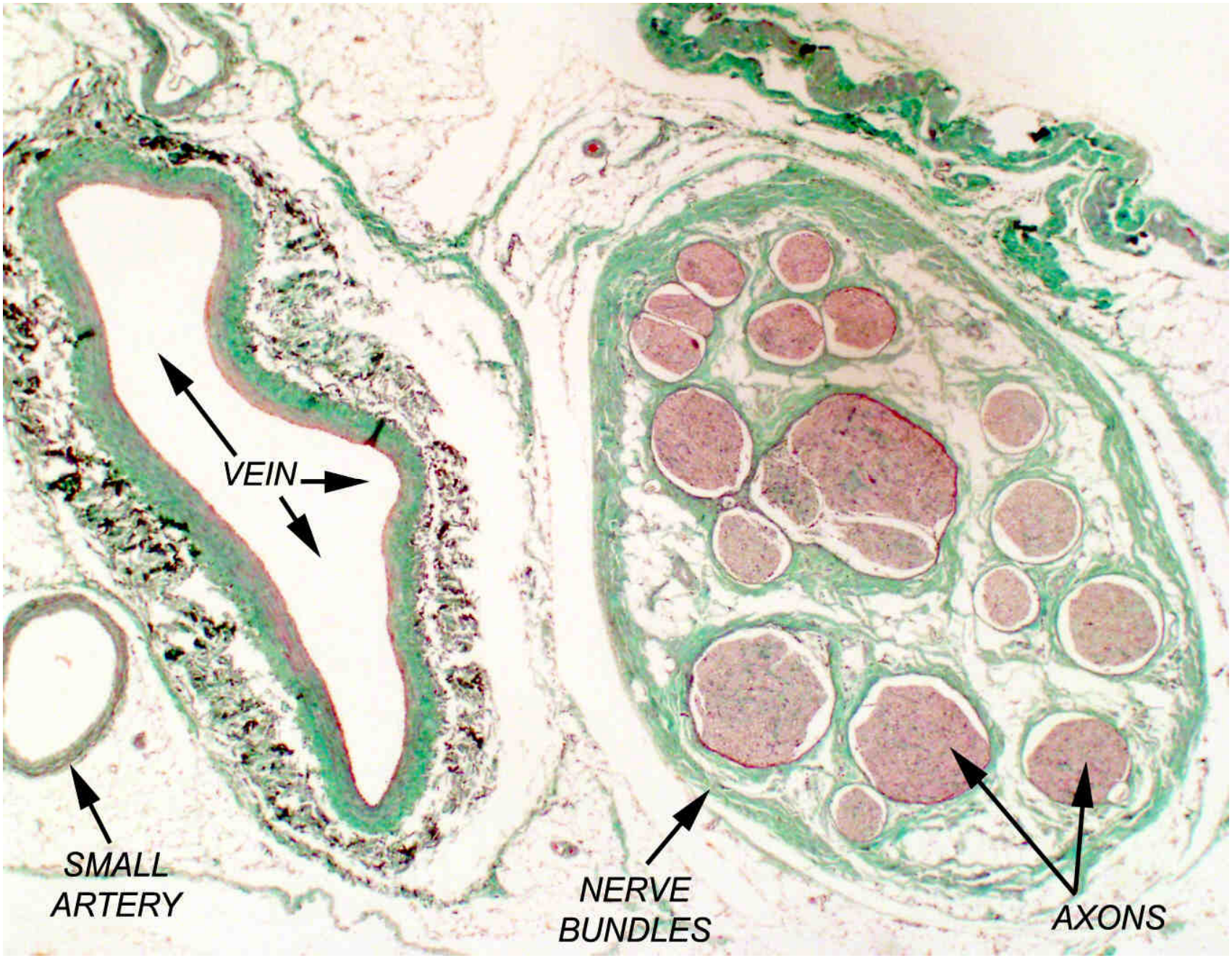
Iron hematoxyline

Skeletal muscle cells (fibers)

Iron hematoxyline



Mitochondria in hepatocytes


VEIN
SMALL ARTERY
NERVE BUNDLES
AXONS

Histochemistry and Immunohistochemistry

- Relevance:

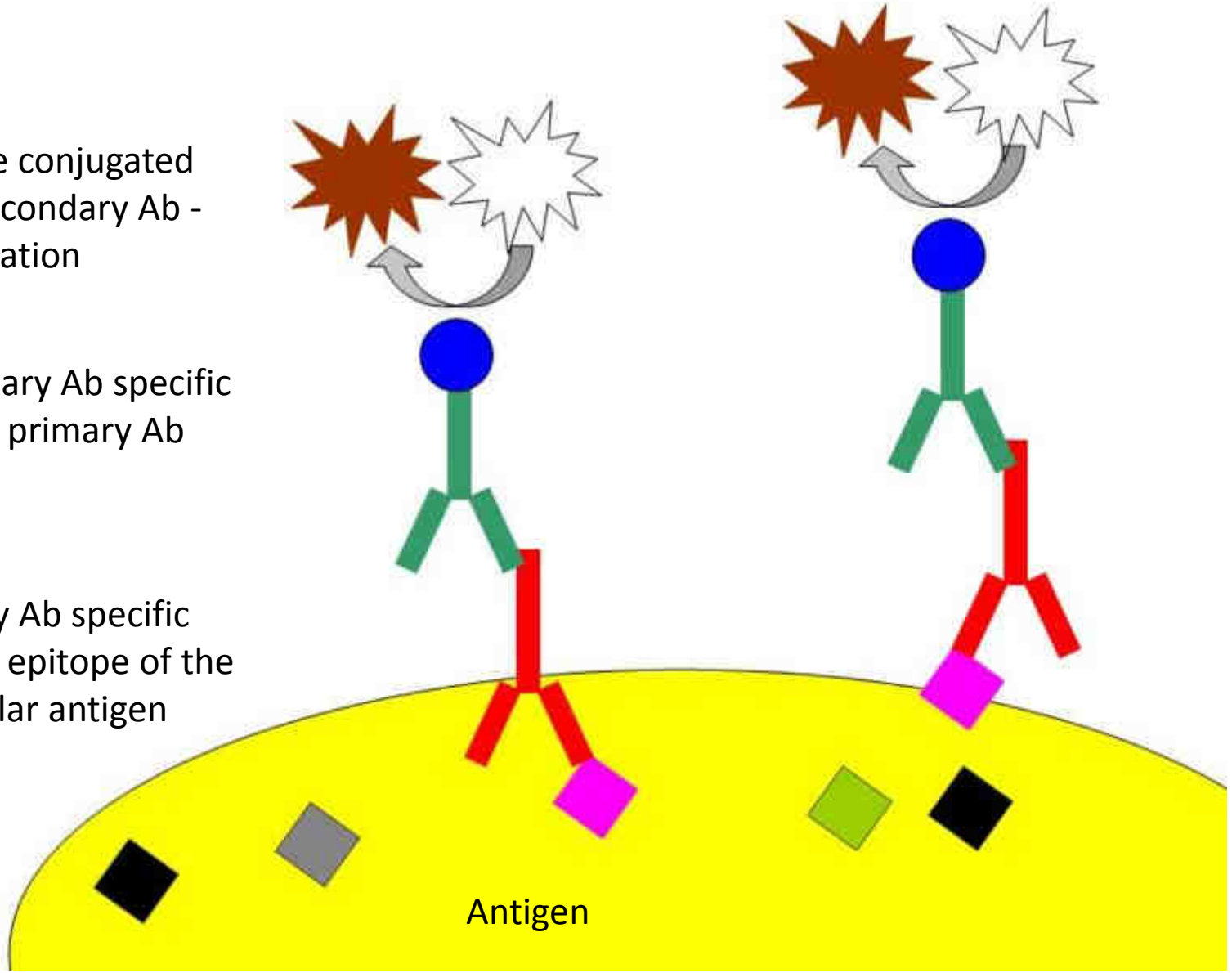
various chemical compounds detected „in situ“ (proteins, AA, NA, saccharides, lipids, enzymes, pigments, inorganic substances – Fe, Ca, Zn)

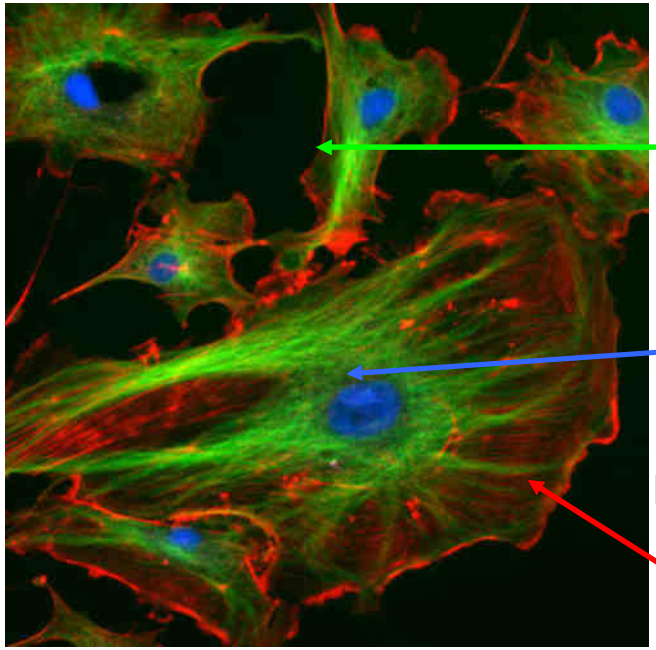
Various epitopes detected by immunotechniques

Enzyme conjugated with secondary Ab - visualization

Secondary Ab specific against primary Ab

Primary Ab specific against epitope of the particular antigen

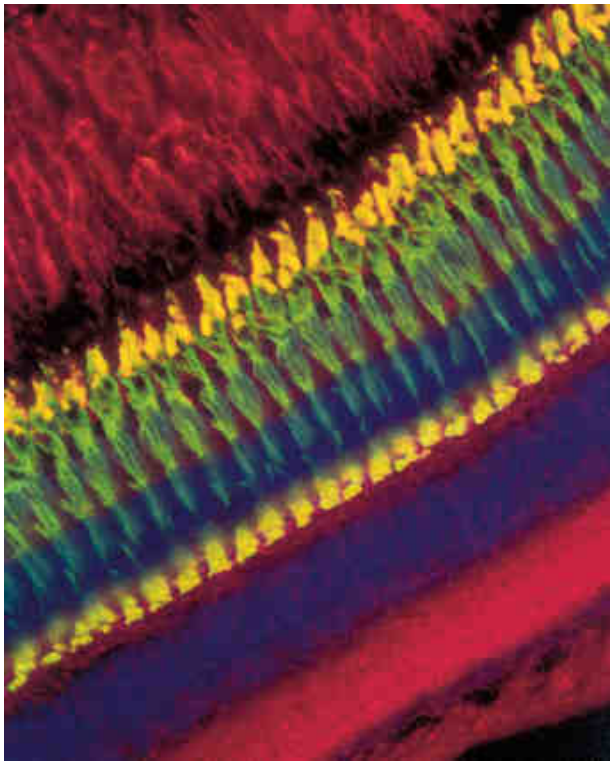


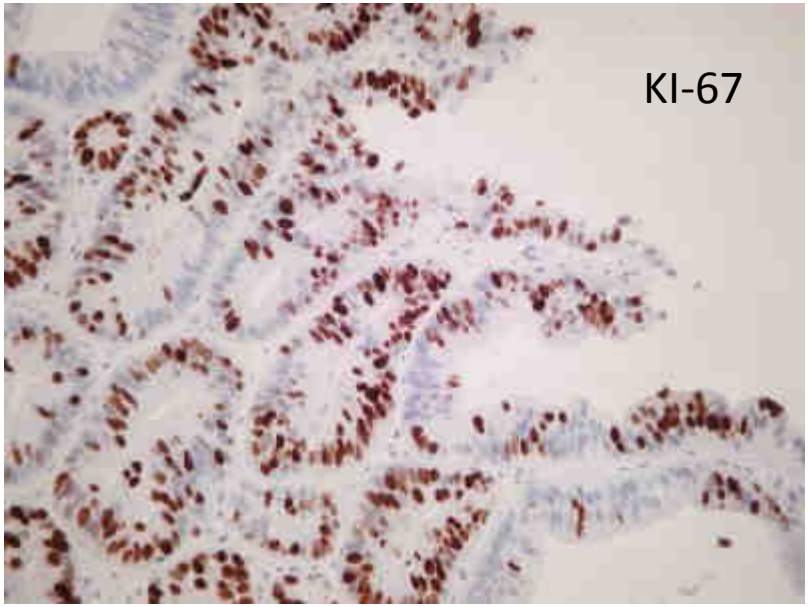


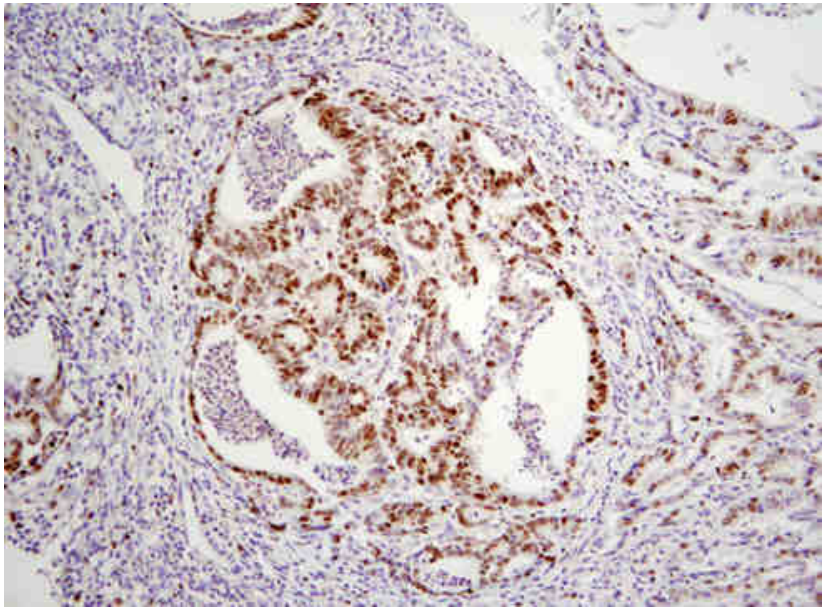
Actin (cytoskeleton)

DAPI (nucleus)

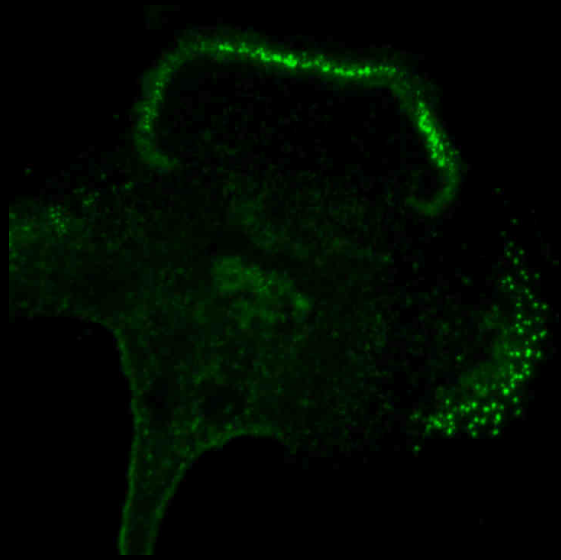
Microtubules (cytoskeleton)

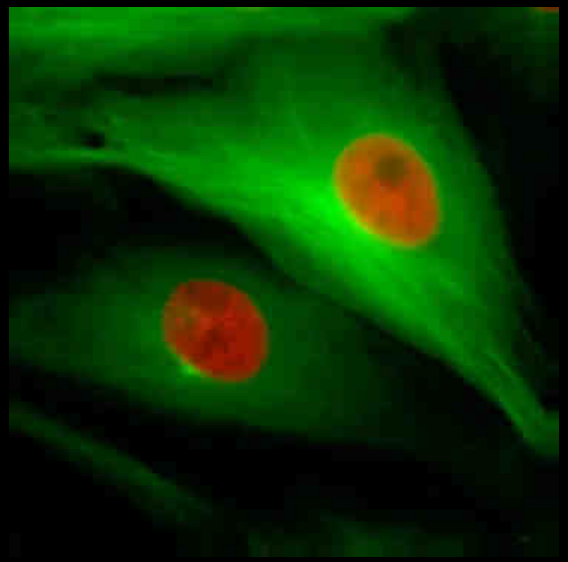


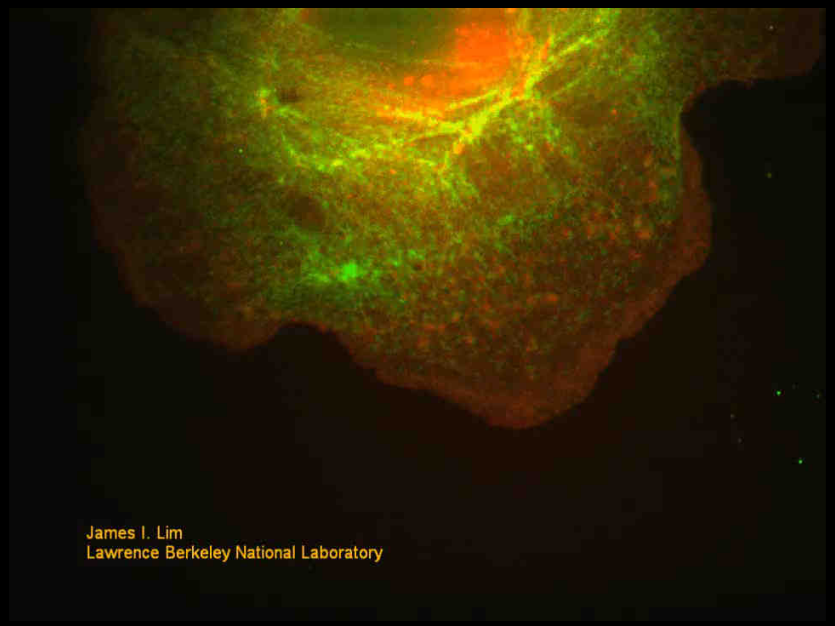




- Fluorescence labelled proteins





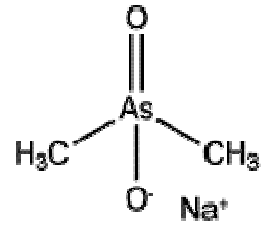


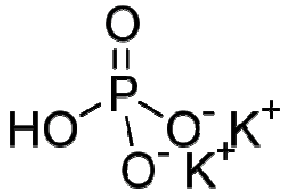
Tissue processing for the EM

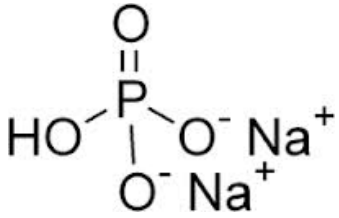
- pH of all solutions (media) must be buffered on **7.2 – 7.4**
  Cacodylate or phosphate buffer is frequently used.

- Absolutely dustfree environment

- Solutions (media) have to be precise (artifacts)







Tissue processing for the EM

- **SAMPLING** – immediatelly after arresting of blood circulation, tissue block sized no more than **$1mm^3$**
- **FIXATION** – glutaraldehyde (binds amine groups) + OsO_4 (binds lipids) are used as double fixation
- **RINSING** – distilled water
- **DEHYDRATION -** ethanol
- **EMBEDDING** – gelatin capsule or plastic forms are filled with some medium (which can be polymerized from liquid to solid form) and pieces of fixed tissue are placed into this medium. Epoxyd resins (Epon, Durcupan, Araldite) are usually used as in water insoluble media.
- **CUTTING** – ultrathin sections (in ultramictomes)
- **CONTRASTING** ≈ staining

Embedding tools: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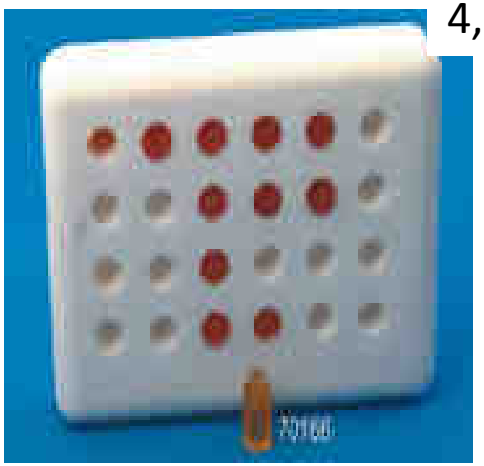
2

gelatin (1) or plastic (2) capsules

capsule holder (3)


3

embedding plates
(4, 5)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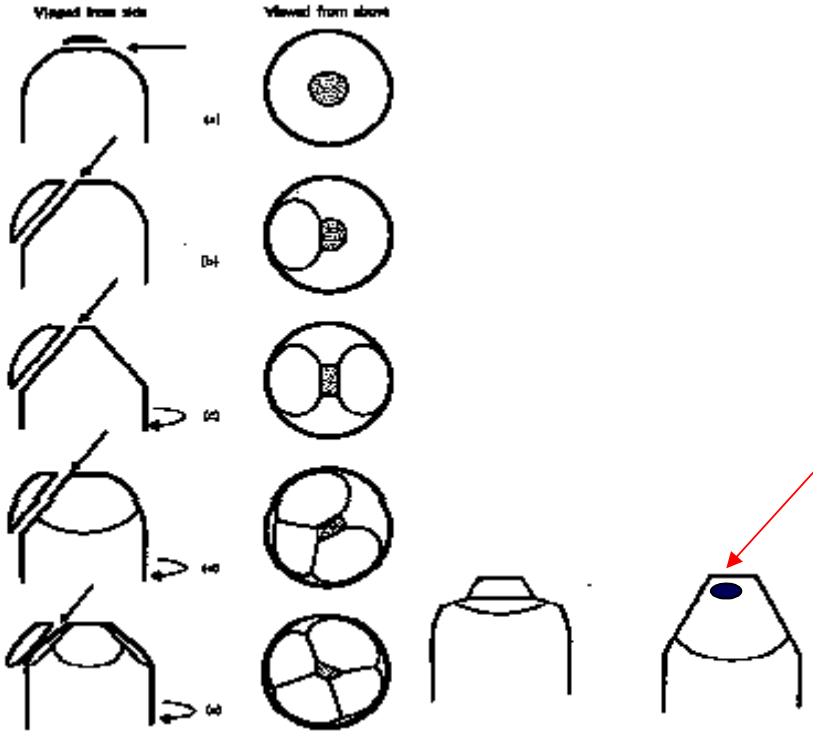
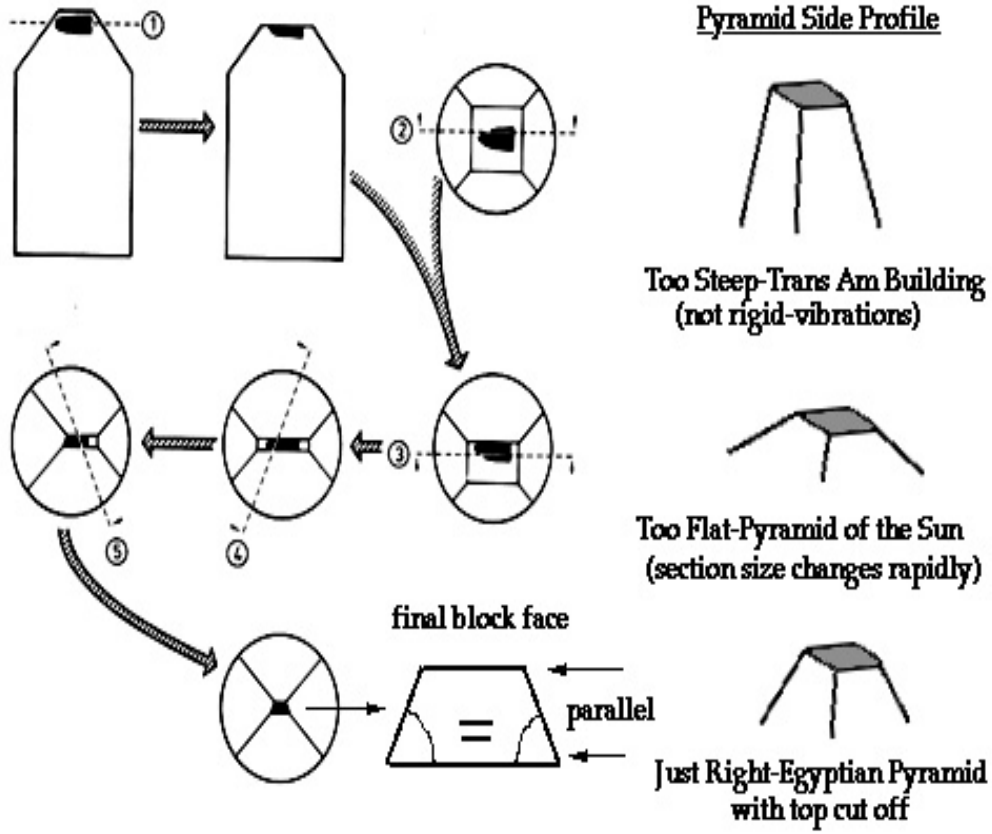
Embedded blocks
prepared for cutting

Trimming the Specimen Block

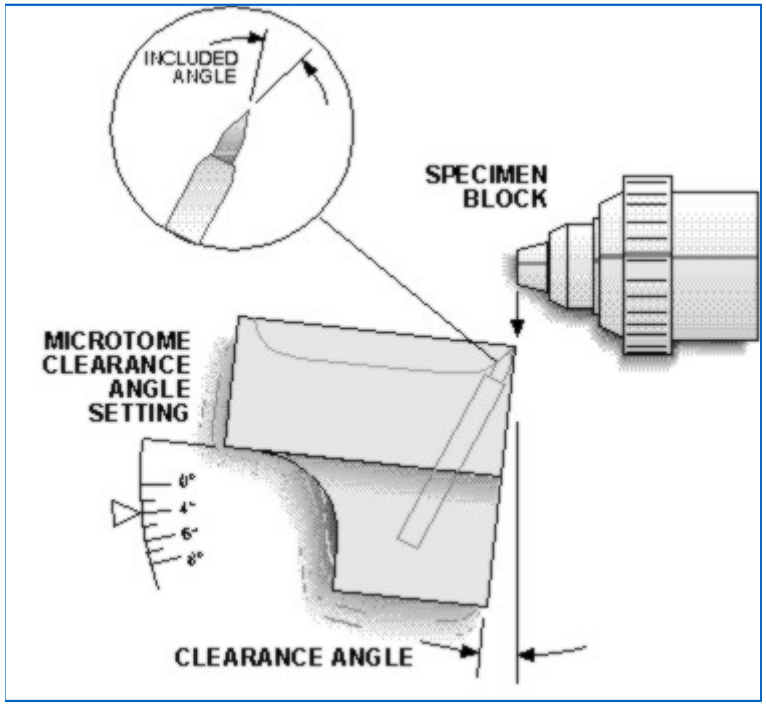
By trimming, using ultramicrotome, an excess of hard medium is removed and pyramide with minimal cut surface (0.1 mm2) is prepared.

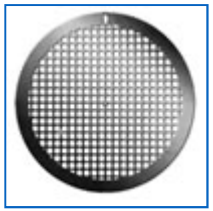
Minimum of tissue (black) is in the top of pyramid

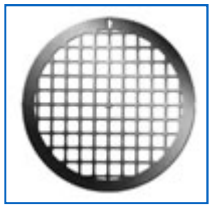


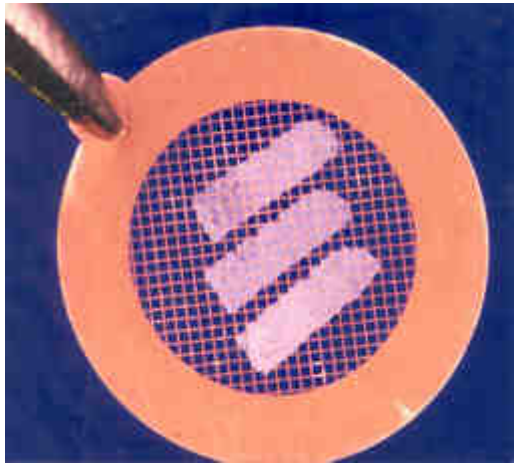


Cutting









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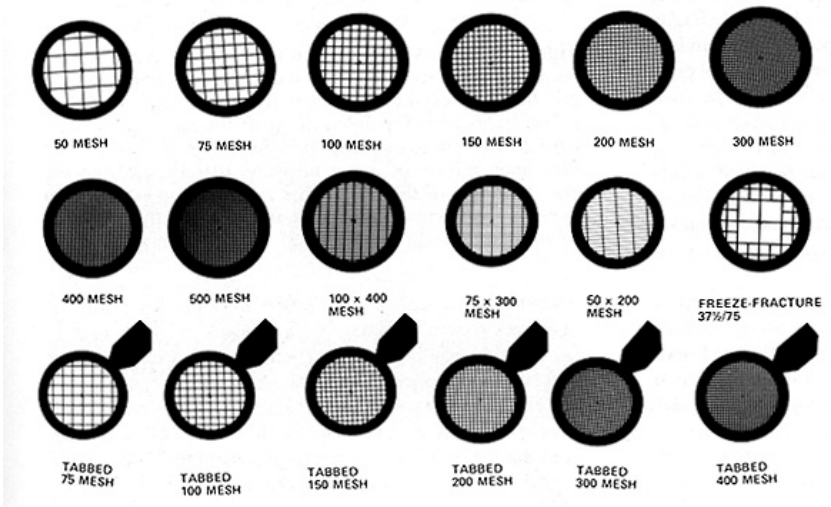
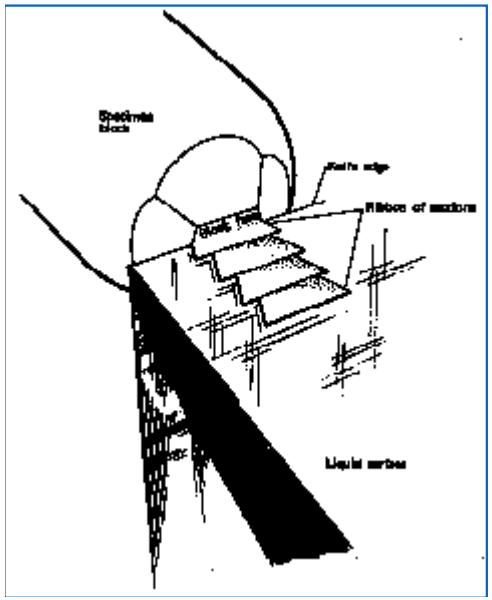
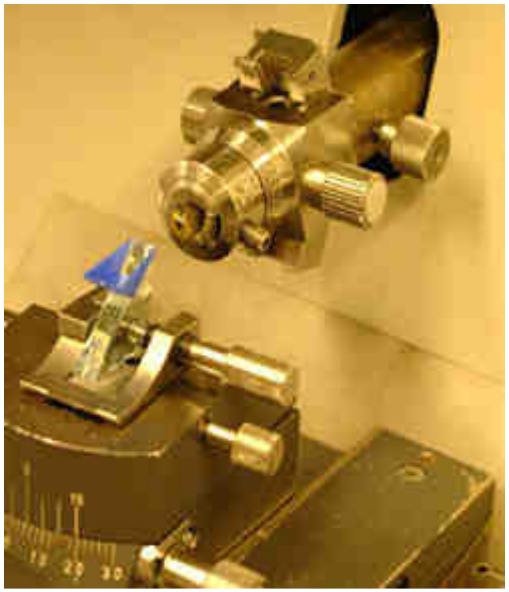






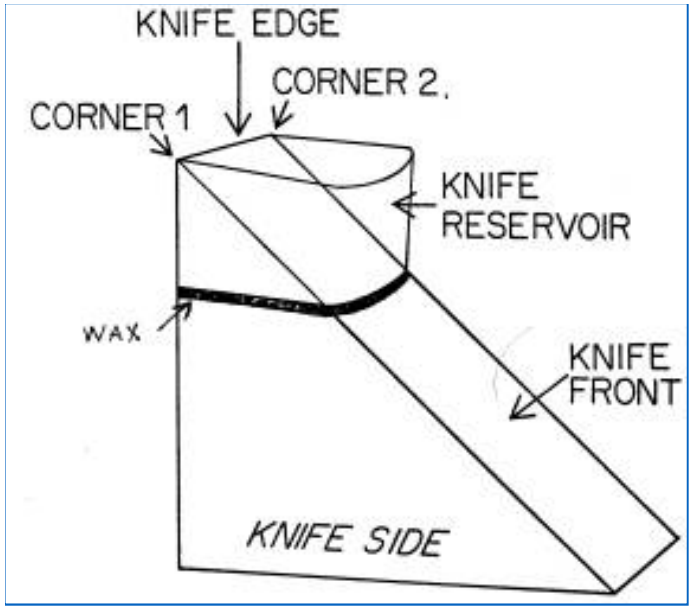
Cutting

Ultrathin sections (70 – 100 nm) - ultramicrotomes.

Glass or diamond (b) knives with water reservoir are used

Sections slide flow on water in small container attached to the knive

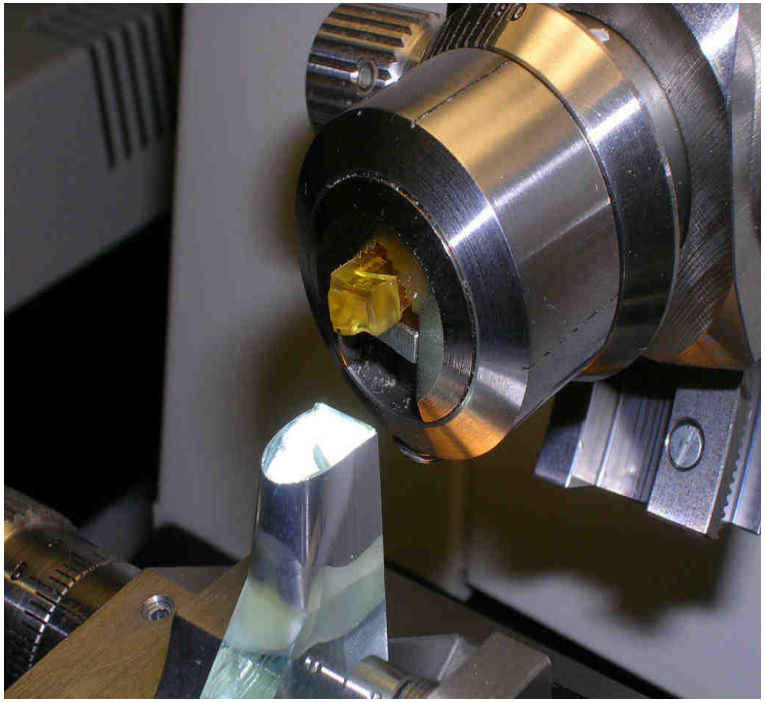
Supporting grids



Ultramicrotom knives:

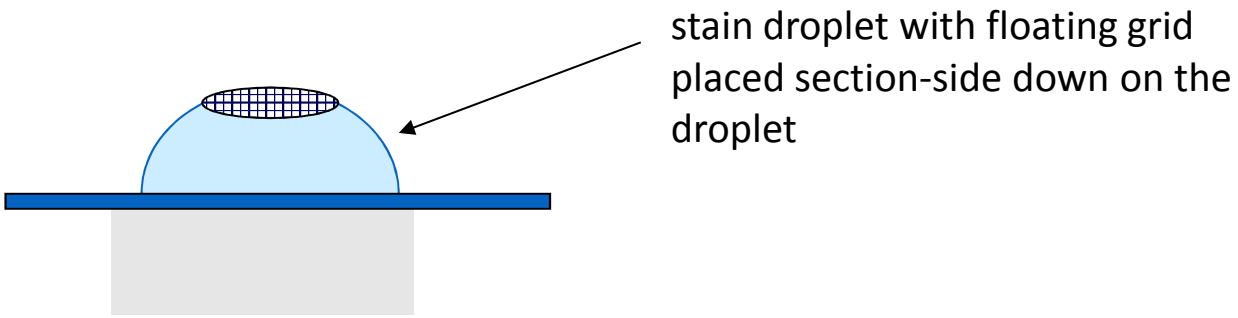
glass

diamond

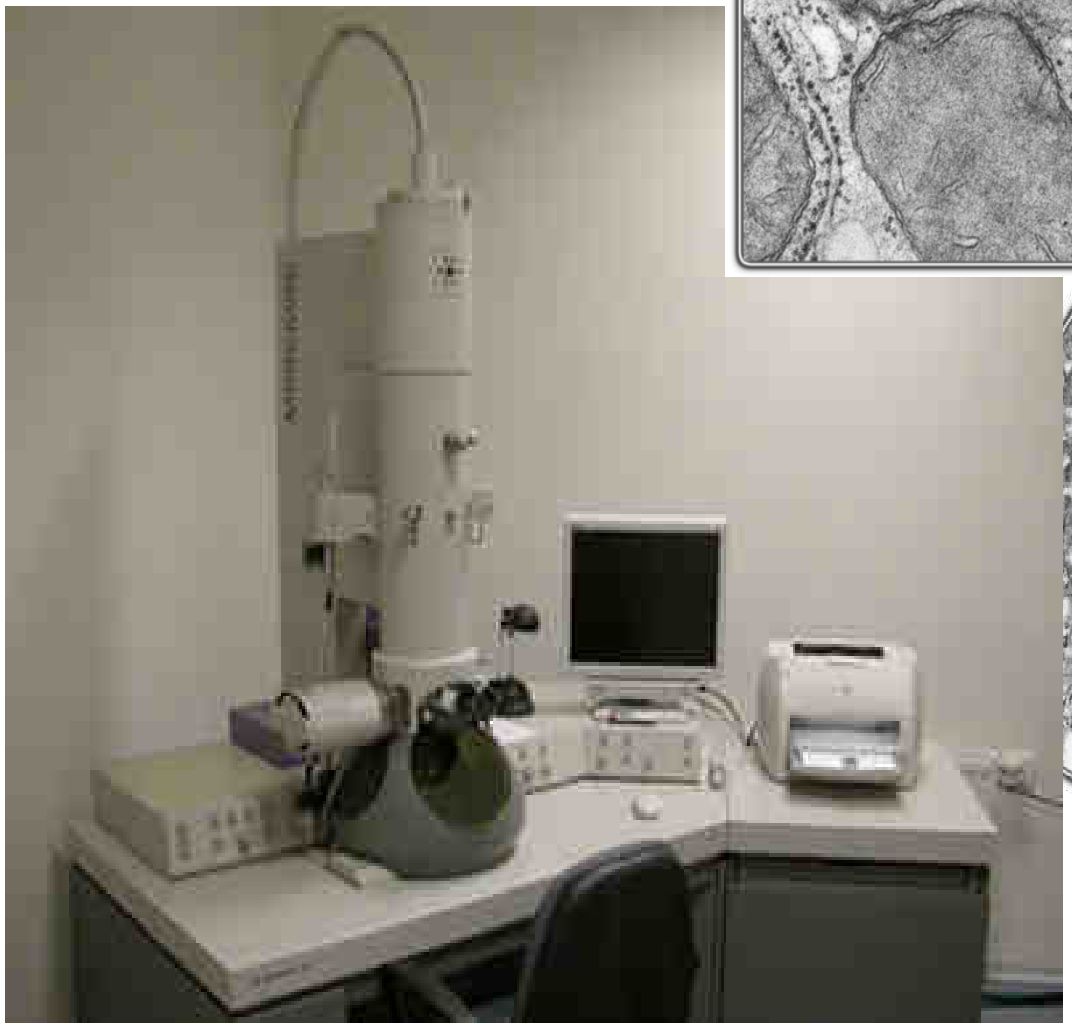


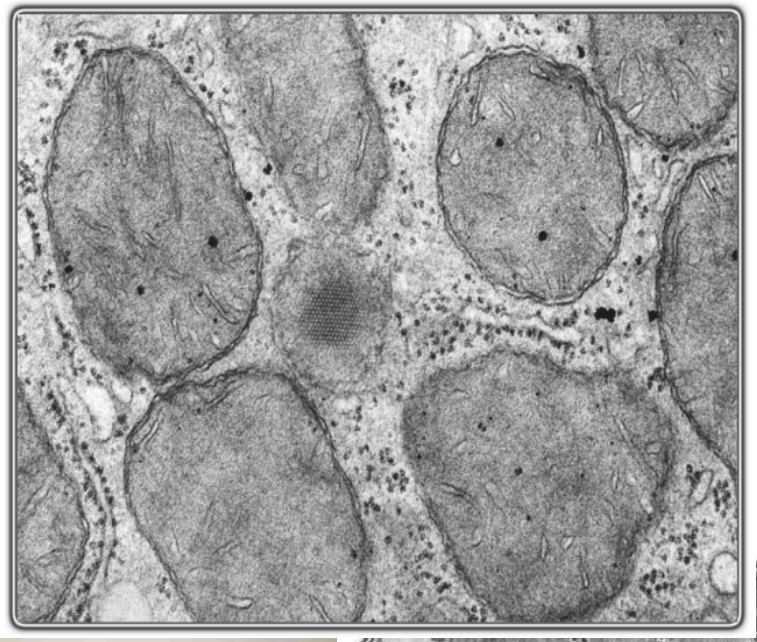
CONTRASTING (=STAINING)

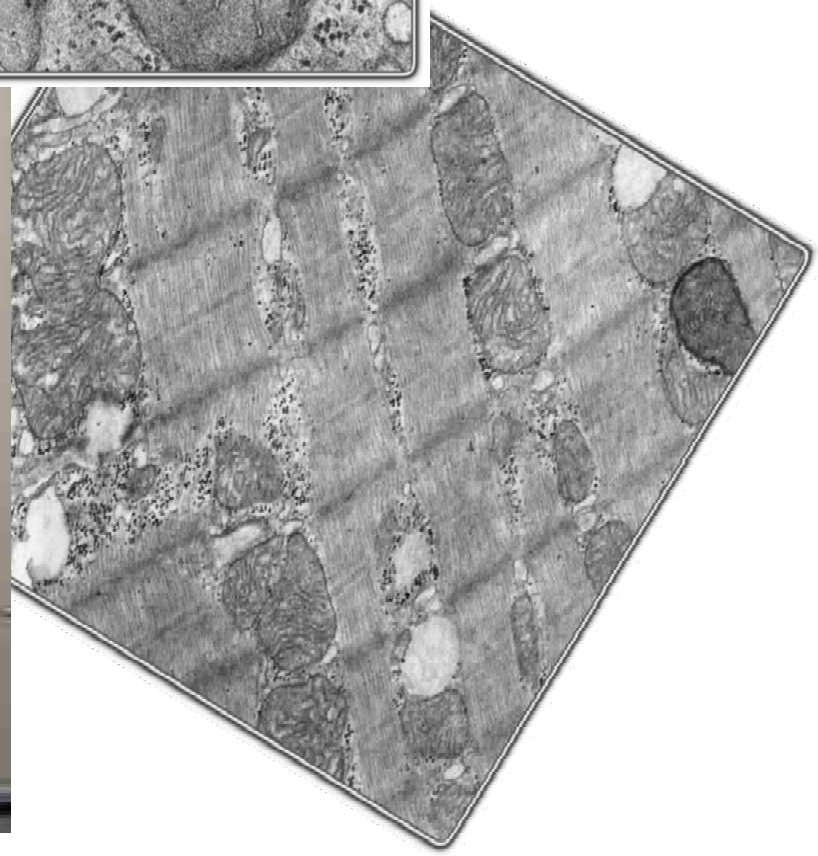
- principle of differentiation of structures – different dispersion of beam of electrons depending on atomic weight of elements.
  „electron dyes“ are thus mixtures of heavy metals: uranylacetate or lead citrate



Differences between LM and EM		
	LM	**EM**
Sampling	< 1 cm^3 minutes	< 1 mm^3 seconds
Fixation	formaldehyde 12 – 24 hours	glutaraldehyde 1 – 3 hours
Embedding	paraffin	epoxid resins (Durcupan)
Cutting Thickness of sections	microtome 5 – 10 µm	Ultramicrotomes 50 – 100 nm
Staining (LM) contrasting (EM)	dyes (*hematoxyline – eosin*)	heavy metals (*uranylacetate,lead citrate*)
Mounting (only LM)		---
Result	histological slide (preparate)	photograph of ultrathin section







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