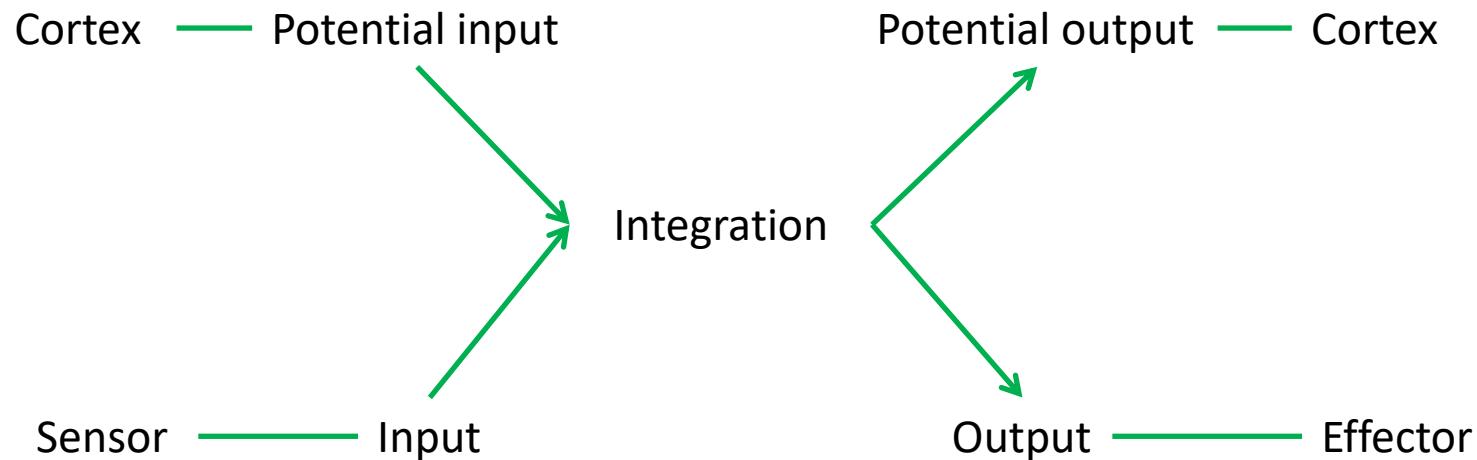


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Autonomic nervous system

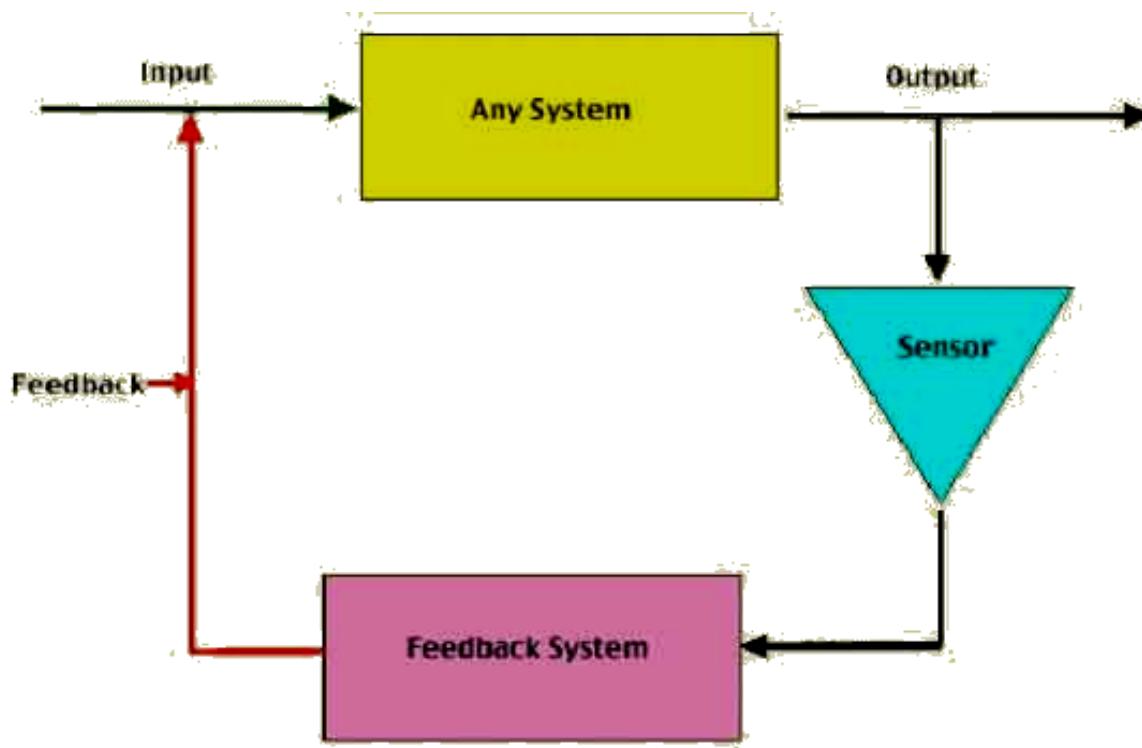
The role of nervous system

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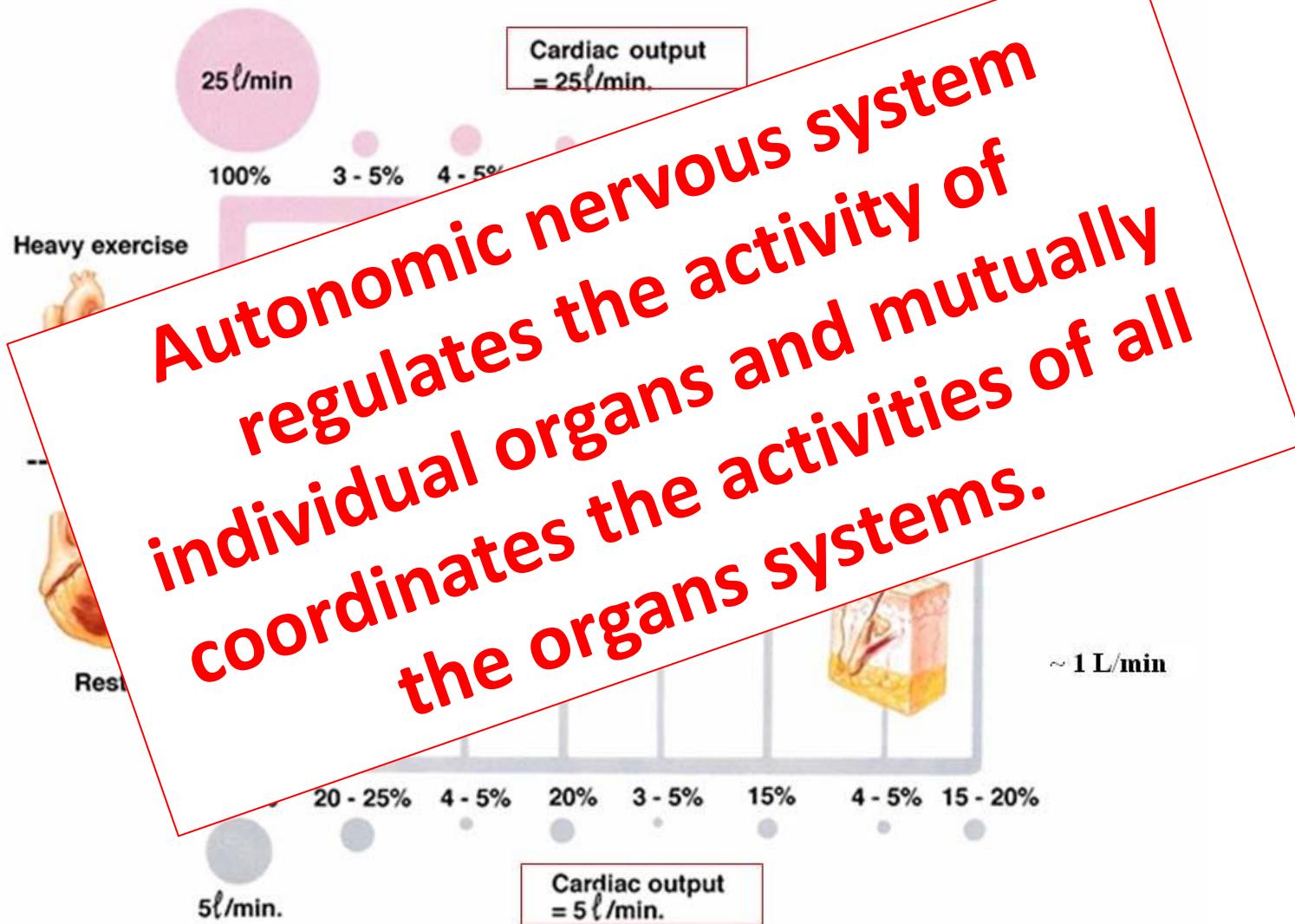
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Feedback regulation

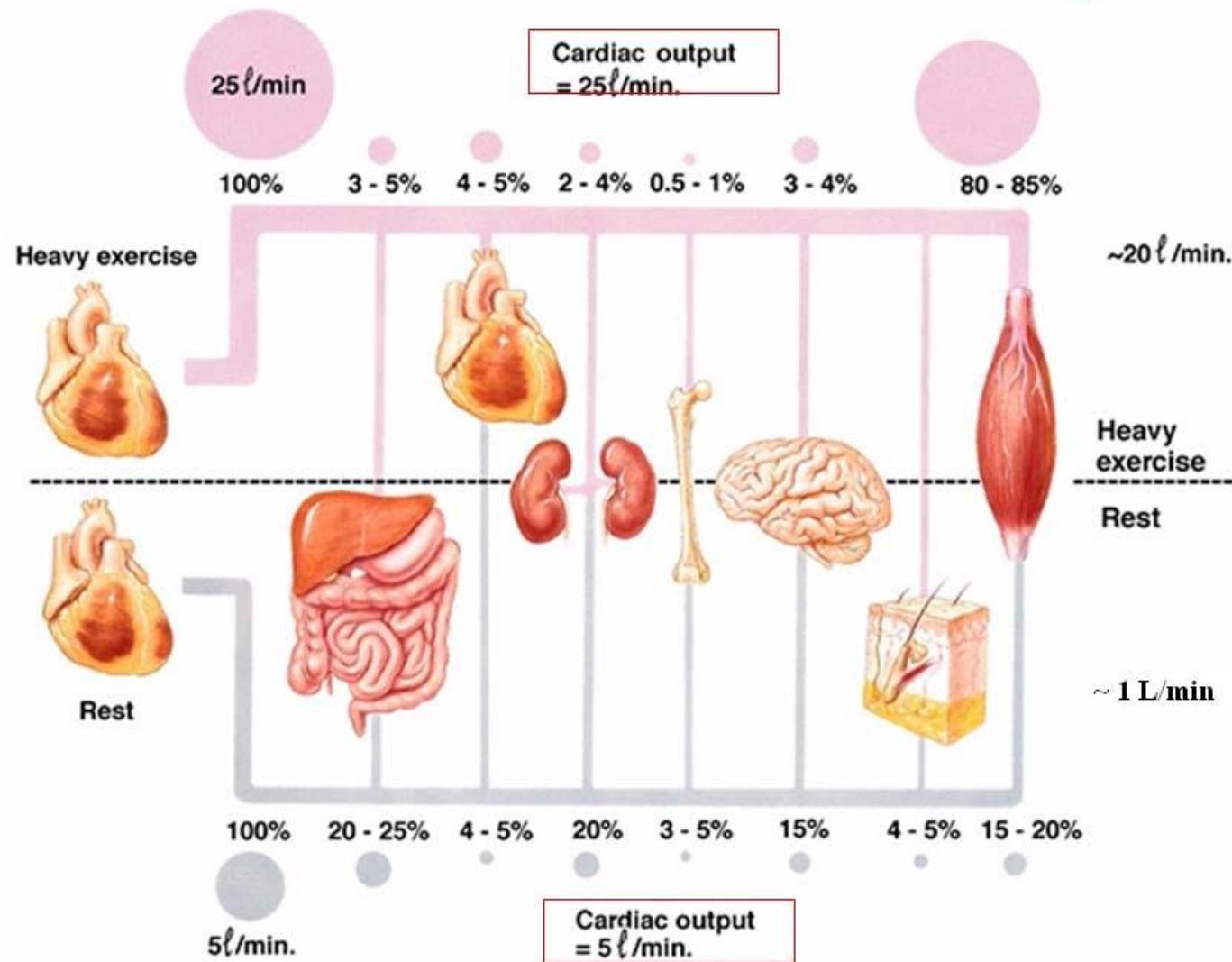


Simple Feedback Loop

Redistribution of Blood Flow During Exercise



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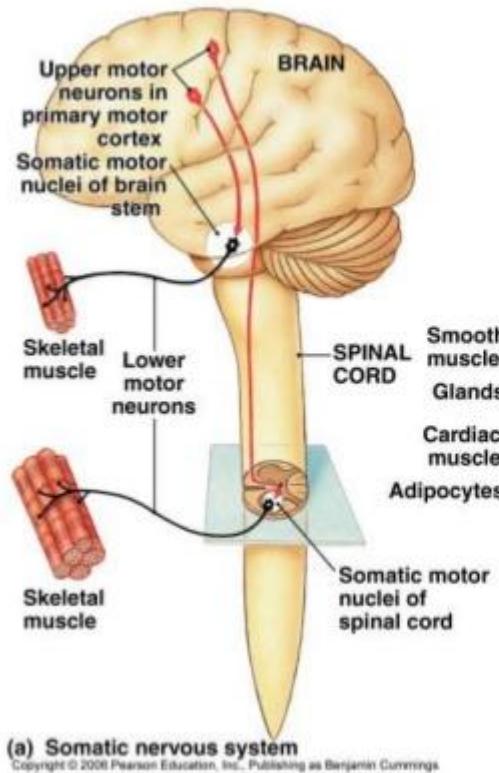


Somatic a autonomic nervous system

➤ „Voluntary“

✓ Skeletal muscle

■ Direct connection between CNS and effector



Somatic vs. Autonomic



➤ „Involuntary“

✓ Cardiomyocyte
✓ Visceral muscle
✓ Gland

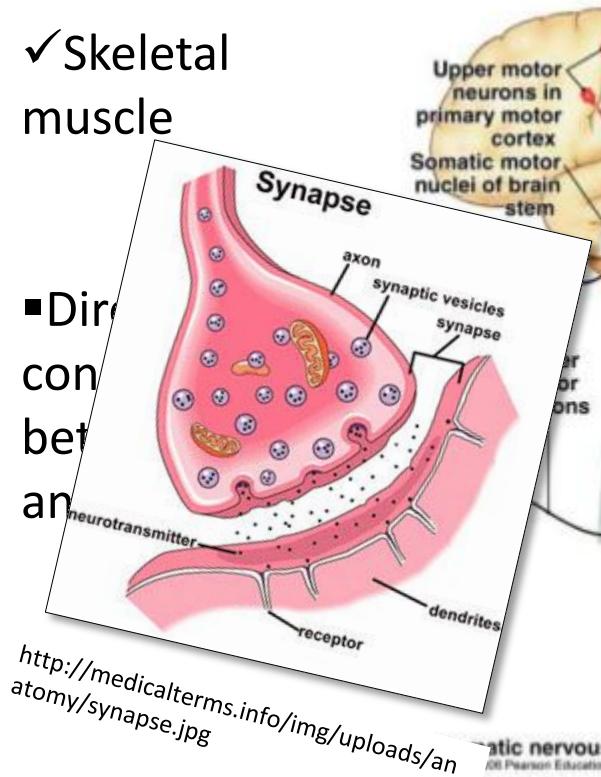
■ Autonomic ganglion inserted between CNS and effector

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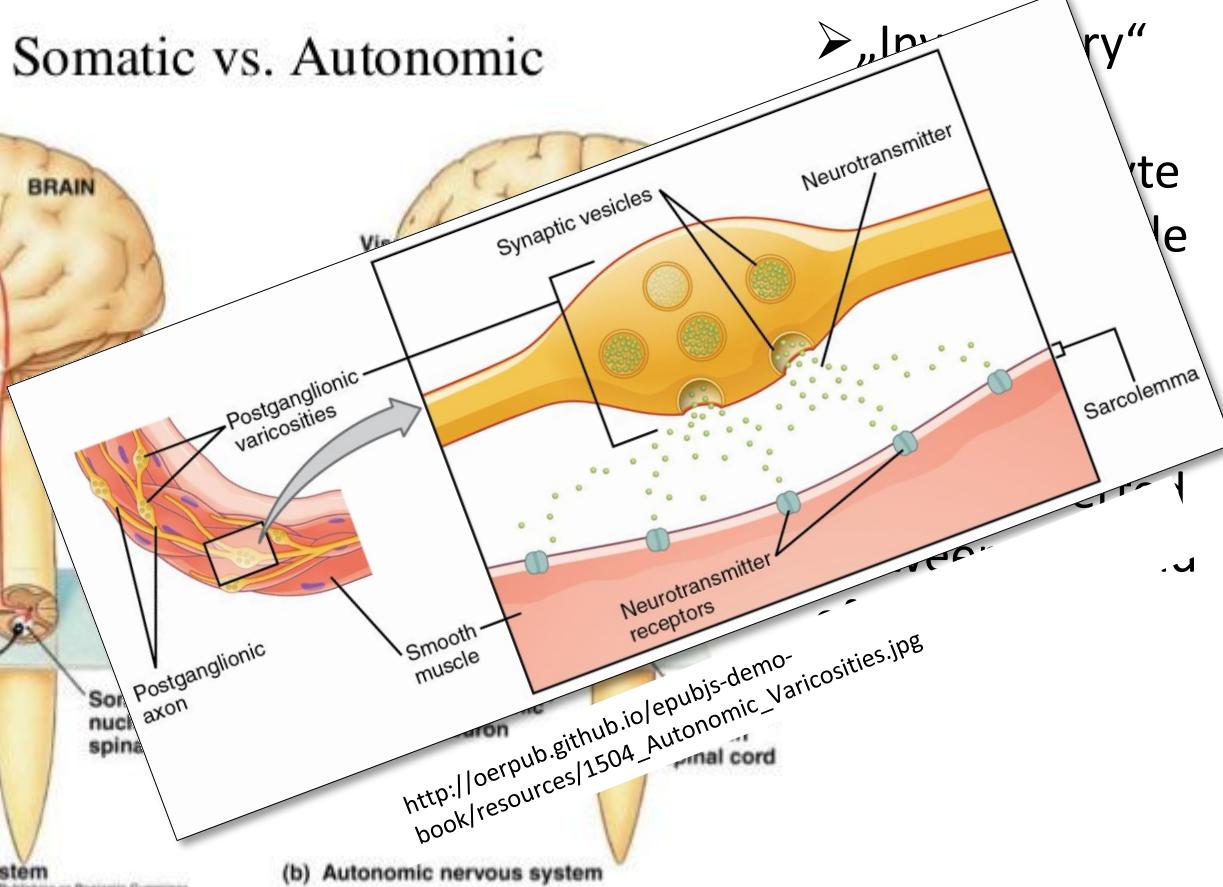
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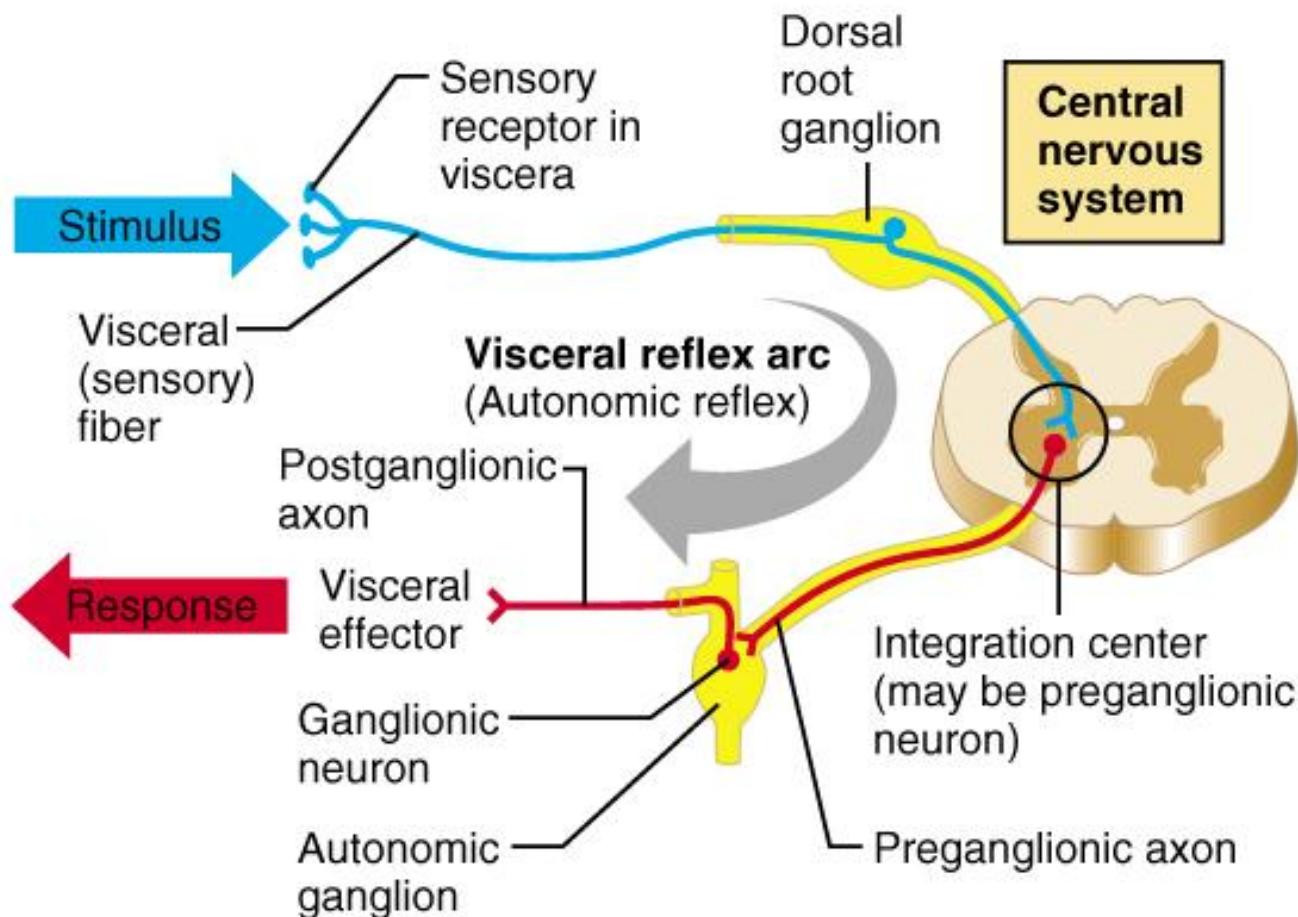
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Somatic vs. Autonomic



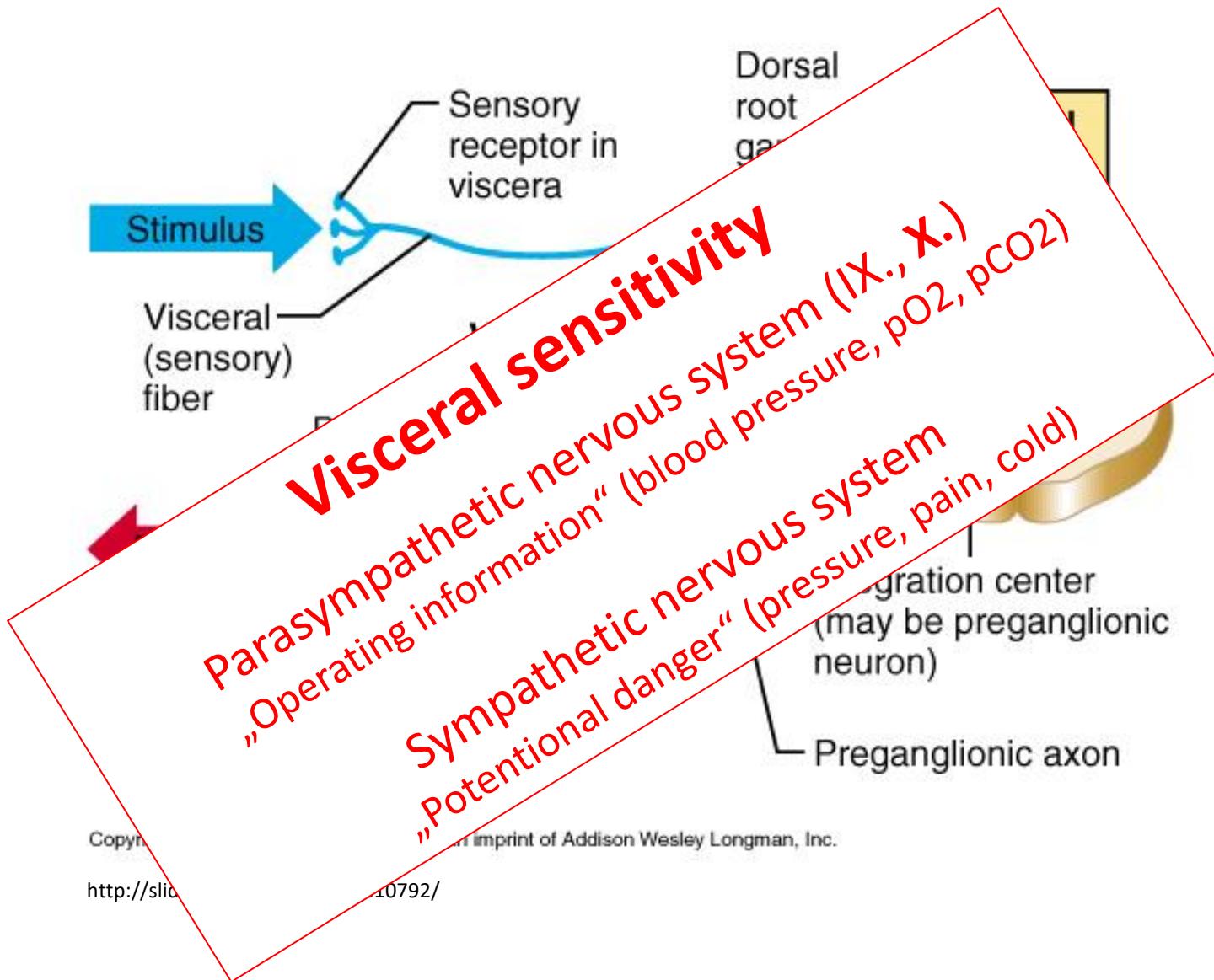
Visceral reflex loop



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Sympathetic nervous system

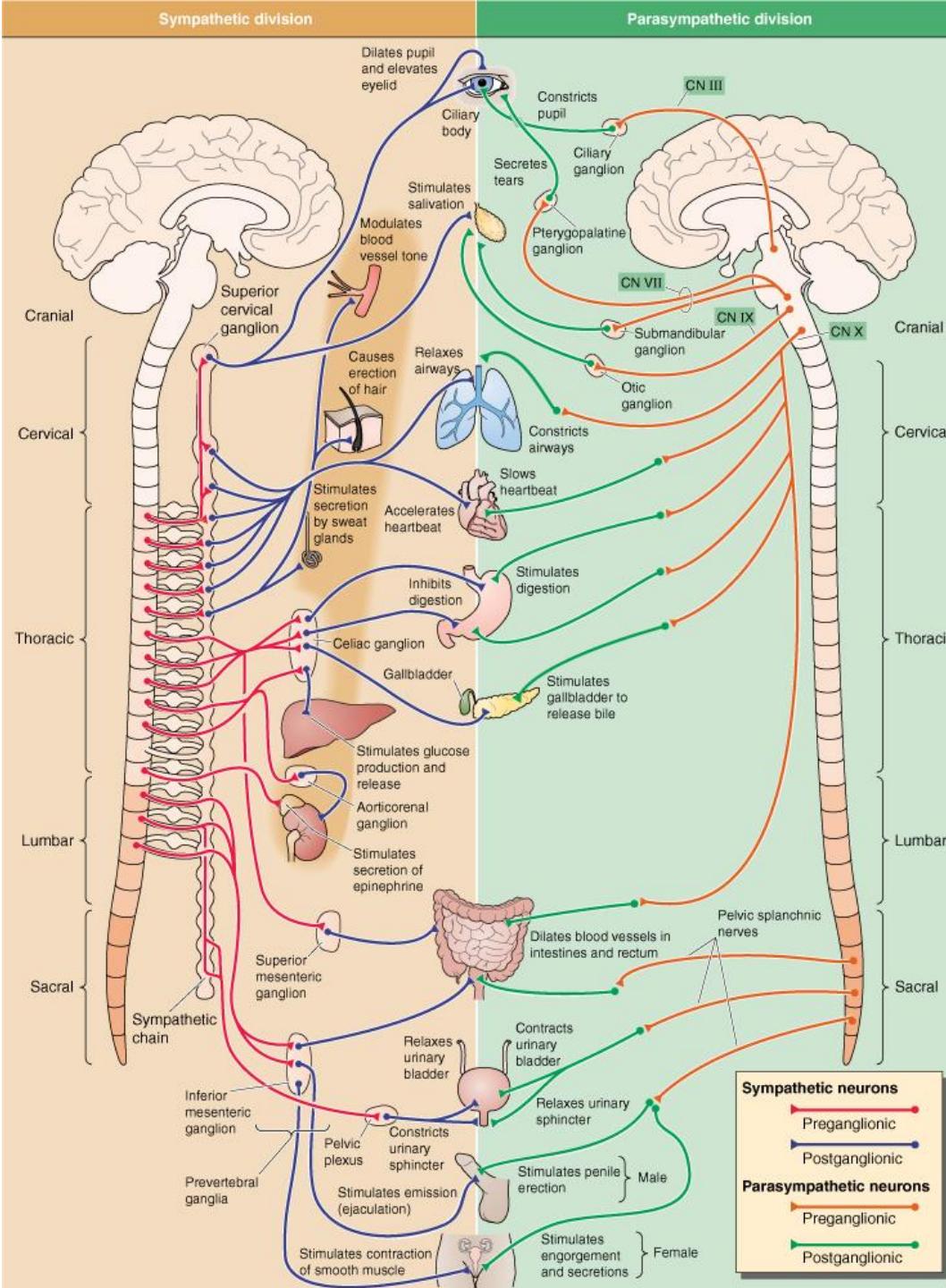
Fight or flight response

Energy/store consumption

Preganglionic neuron
– Spinal cord
-Thoraco - lumbar system

Ganglia
Paravertebral
-Truncus sympathicus
- Majority
Prevertebral
-Plexus aorticus

Mostly diffuse effect



Parasympathetic nervous system

Rest and digest response

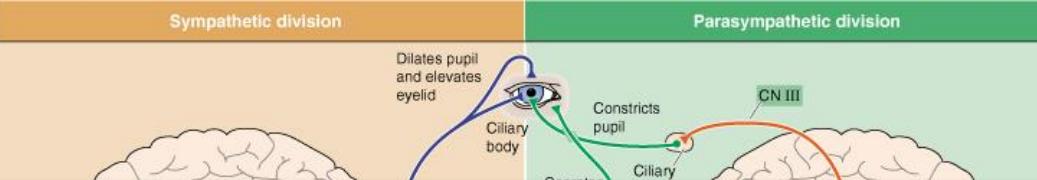
Energy conservation/energy store production

Preganglionic neuron
– Brain stem and spinal cord
– cranio-sacral system

Ganglia
Close to target organs or intramurally

Mostly local effect

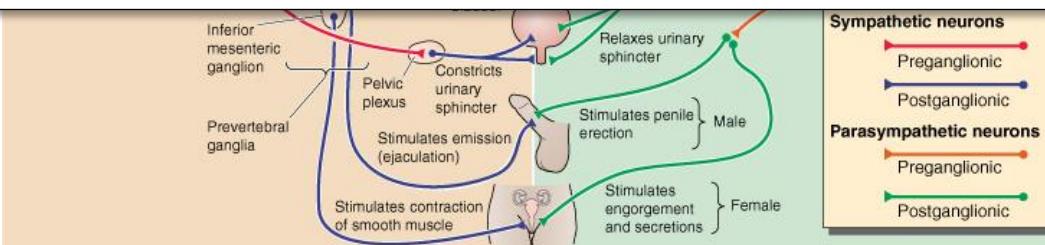
Sympathetic nervous system



Parasympathetic nervous system

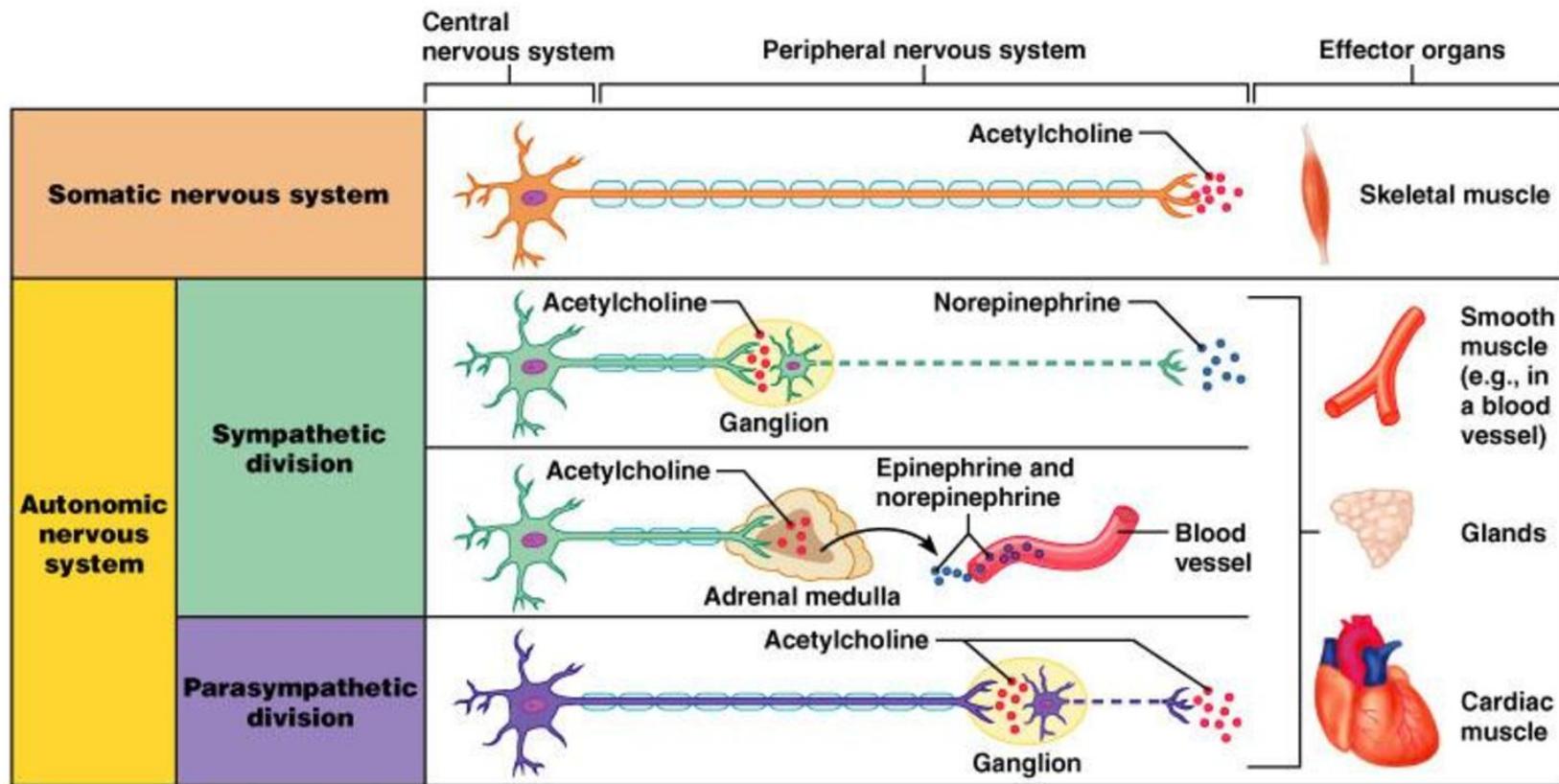
	System/function	Parasympathetic	Sympathetic
Fight or flight response	Cardiovascular	Decreased cardiac output and heart rate	Increased contraction and heart rate; increased cardiac output
Energy consumption	Pulmonary	Bronchial constriction	Bronchial dilatation
Preganglionic – Spinal	Musculoskeletal	Muscular relaxation	Muscular contraction
-Thoracoabdominal system	Pupillary	Constriction	Dilatation
Gastrointestinal	Urinary	Increased urinary output; sphincter relaxation	Decreased urinary output; sphincter contraction
Gastric	Glycogen to glucose conversion	No involvement	Increased
Paravertebral	Adrenal gland	No involvement	Release epinephrine and norepinephrine
-Truncus sympathetic			
-Male genitalia			
Prevention			
-Plexus aorticus			

Mostly diffuse effect



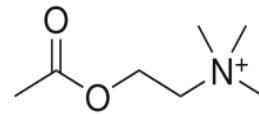
Mostly local effect

Mediators of somatic and autonomic nervous system



Key:

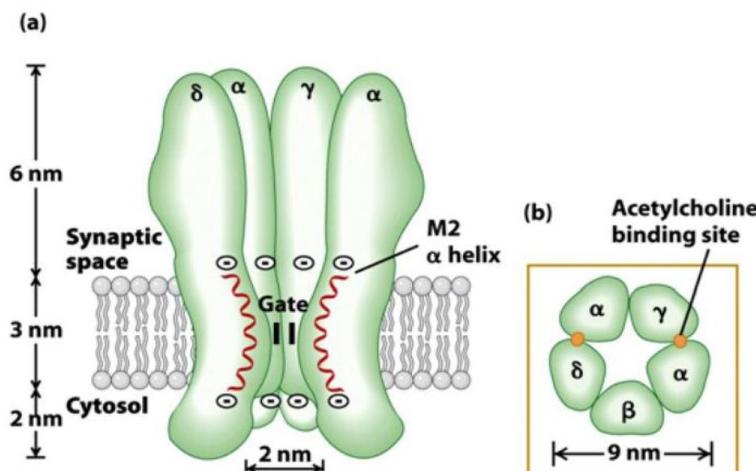
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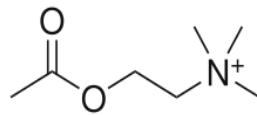


Acetylcholine

Preganglionic fibers

- Sympathetic
- Parasympathetic
- ✓ Nicotinic receptor
 - Ligand-gated ion channels
 - Na^+ , K^+ , Ca^{2+}
 - Neuronal (N_N) and muscle (N_M) type
 - Excitatory

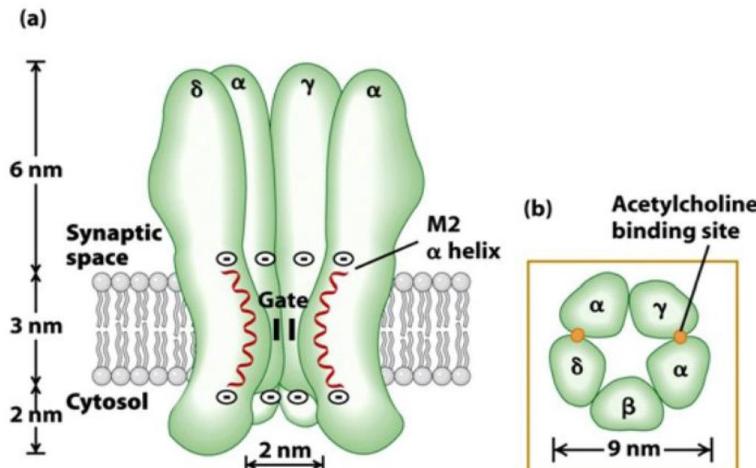




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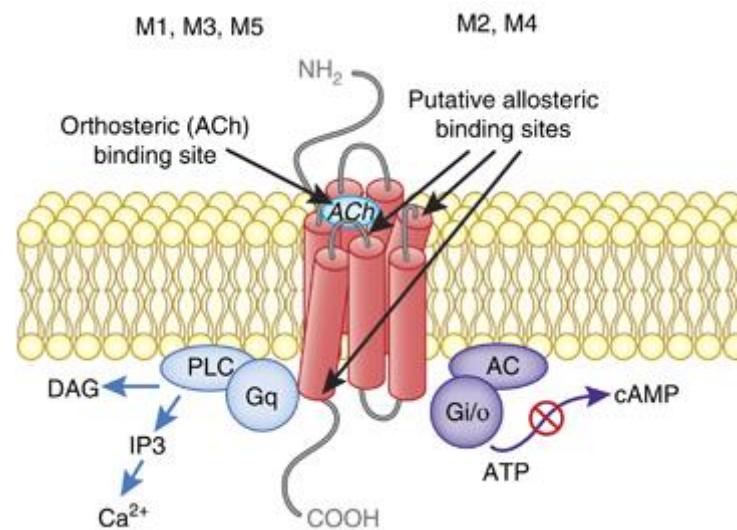
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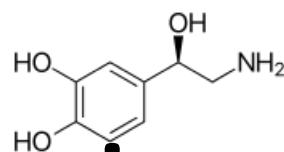
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Postganglionic fibers

- Parasympathetic
- ✓ Muscarinic receptor
 - G-coupled
 - Excitatory
 - M1, M3, M5
 - Inhibitory
 - M2, M4

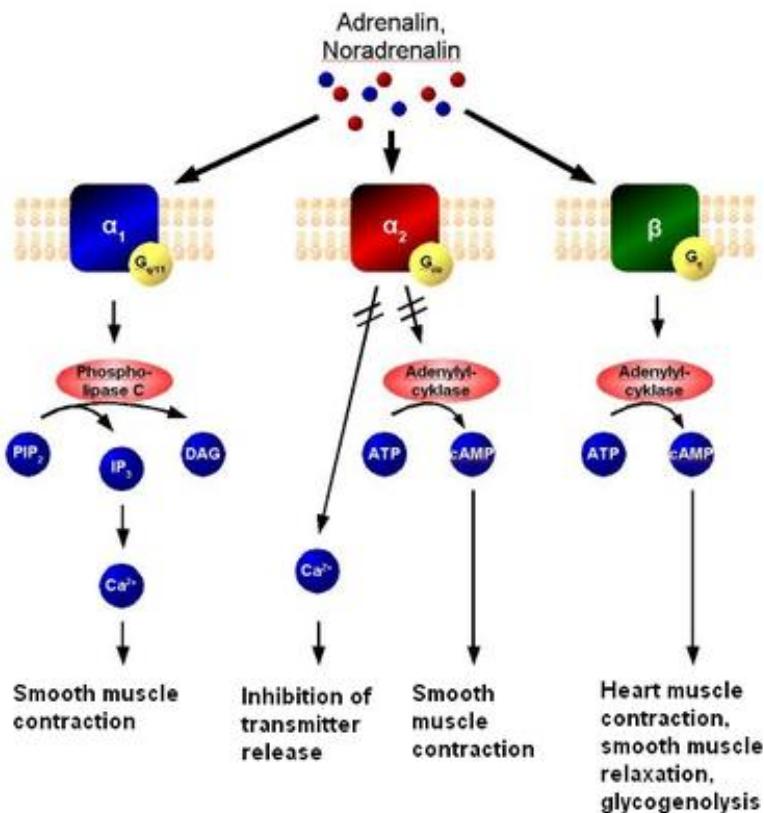


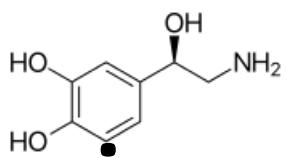
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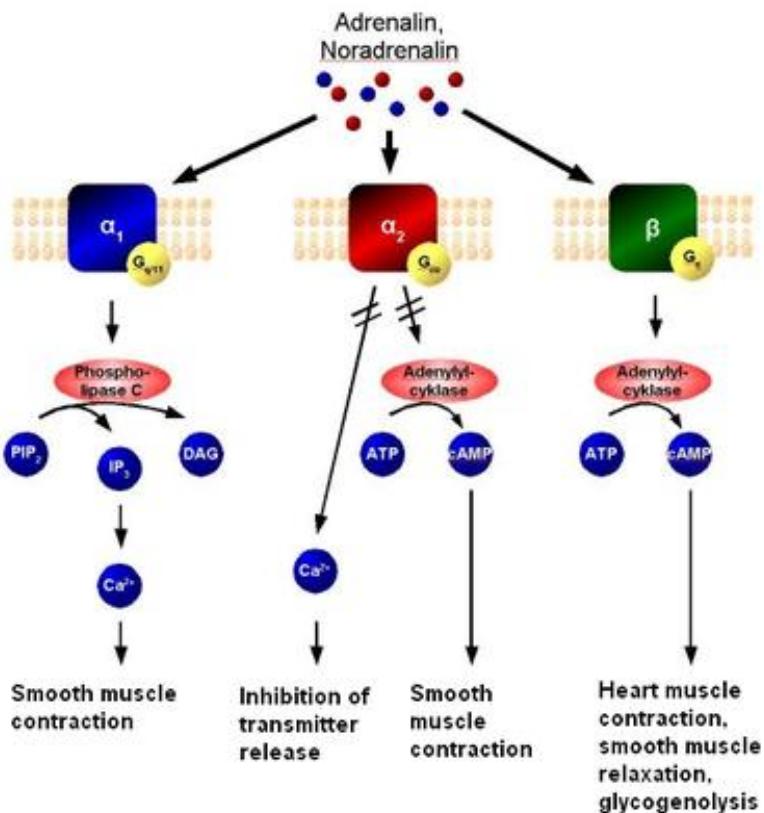
- Postganglionic sympathetic fibers
- Adrenergic receptor
 - G-coupled
 - α type – generally excitatory (contraction)
 - β type – generally inhibitory (relaxation)
with an exception of !!! heart !!!



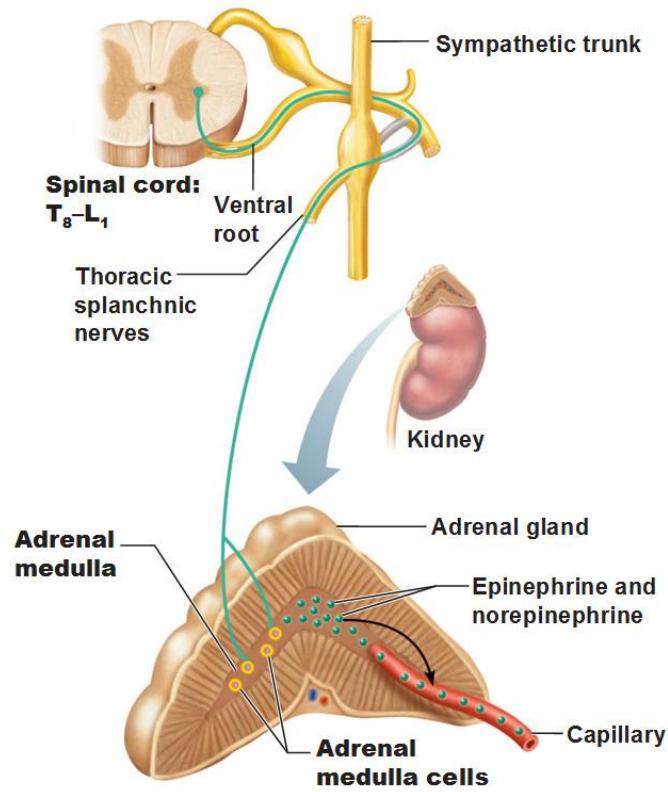


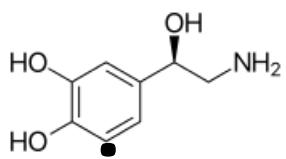
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- Adrenal medulla
 - Modified sympathetic ganglion
 - „Transmitters“ (stress hormones) secreted into the blood stream
 - Norepinephrine
 - Epinephrine





Norepinephrine

- Postganglionic sympathetic fibers
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 - α type – generally excitatory (contraction)
 - β type – generally inhibitory with an exception
- Adrenal medulla
 - Modified sympathetic fibers
 - Transmitter: NE

Receptor	G protein and effectors	Agonists	Tissue	Responses
Alpha ₁	Gq ↑ phospholipase C, IP3 and DAG, intracellular Ca ²⁺	Epi ≥ NE >> Iso Phenylephrine	Vascular, GU smooth muscle Liver Intestinal smooth muscle Heart	Contraction Glycogenolysis; gluconeogenesis Hyperpolarization and relaxation Increased contractile force; arrhythmias
Alpha ₂	Gi, Go ↓ adenylyl cyclase ↓ cAMP	Epi ≥ NE >> Iso Clonidine	Pancreatic islets (β cells) Platelets Nerve terminals Vascular smooth muscle	Decreased insulin secretion Aggregation Decreased release of NE Contraction
Beta ₁	Gs ↑ adenylyl cyclase, cAMP, L-type Ca ²⁺ channel opening	Iso > Epi = NE Dobutamine	Juxtaglomerular cells Heart	Increased renin secretion Increased force and rate of contraction and AV nodal conduction velocity
Beta ₂	Gs ↑ adenylyl cyclase	Iso > Epi >> NE Terbutamine	Smooth muscle (vascular, bronchial, GI, GU) Skeletal muscle	Relaxation
Beta ₃	Gs ↑ adenylyl cyclase	Iso = NE > Epi	Adipose tissue	Glycogenolysis; uptake of K ⁺ Lipolysis

Note: Epi, epinephrine; NE, norepinephrine; Iso, isoproterenol

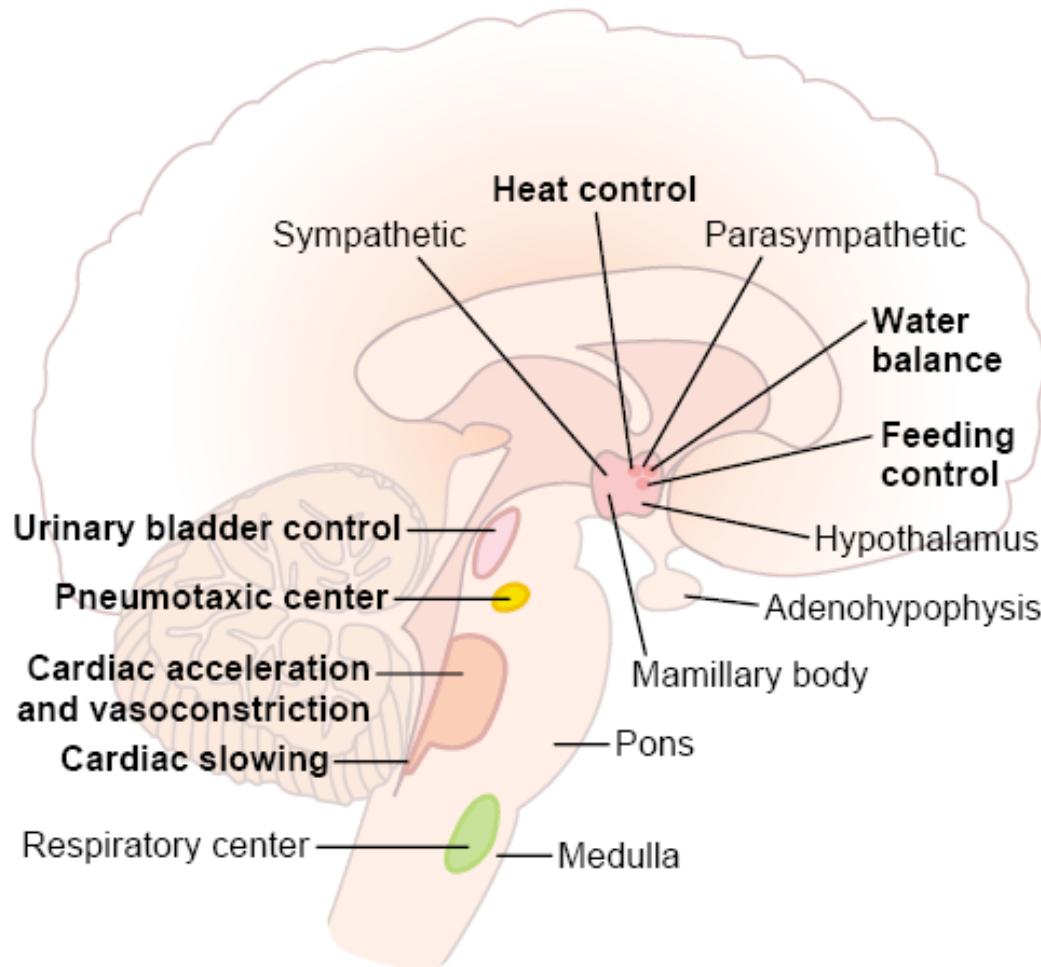
Smooth muscle contraction
contraction, smooth muscle relaxation, glycogenolysis

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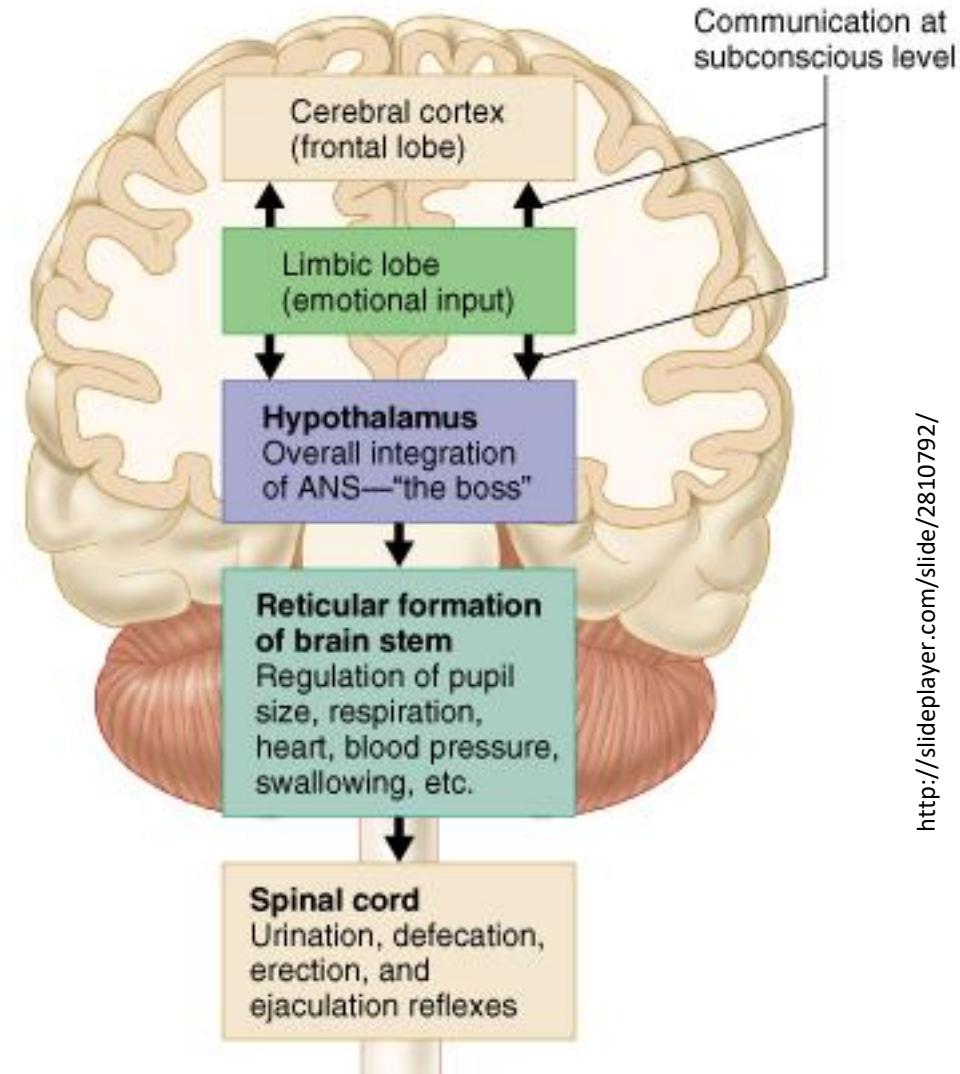
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Brain centers controlling autonomic nervous system



Brain centers controlling autonomic nervous system

- Most of the regulations are unconscious and originate from the hypothalamus
- Strong emotional experiences or strong emotional memories can trigger autonomic response (usually sympathetic)



Hypothalamus

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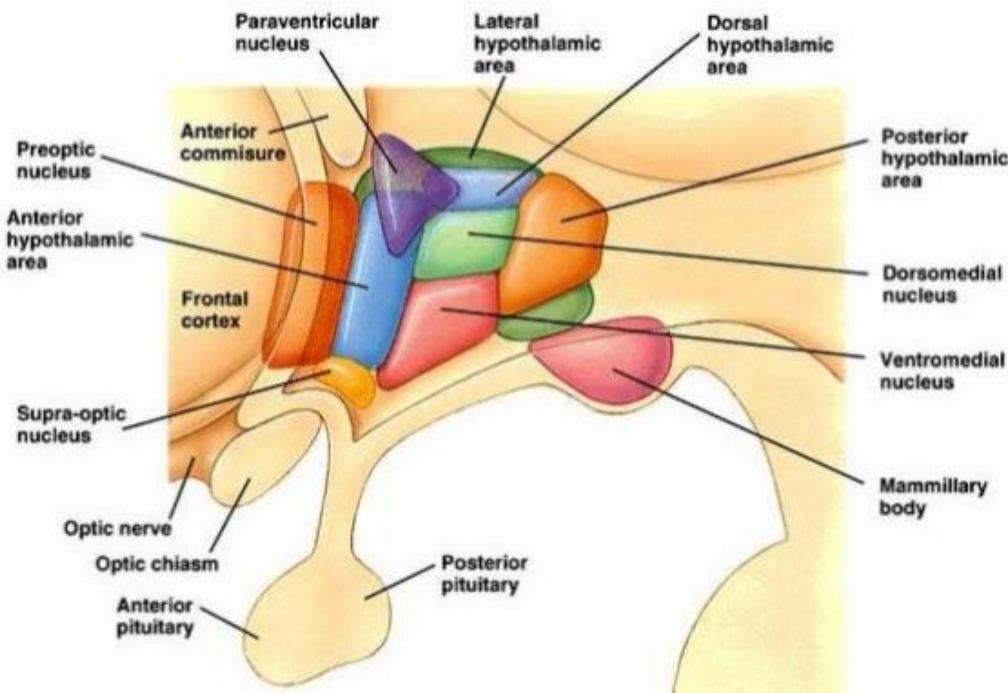
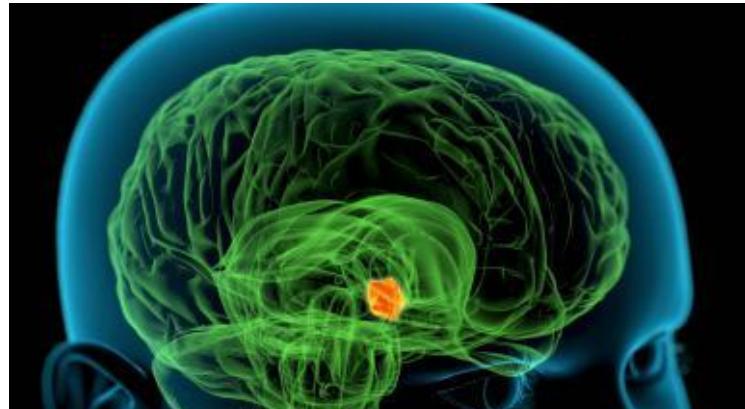
- Key center of autonomic regulations and coordination
- Integration of the information from inner and outer environment



- Behavioral modulation
- Regulation of autonomic nervous system



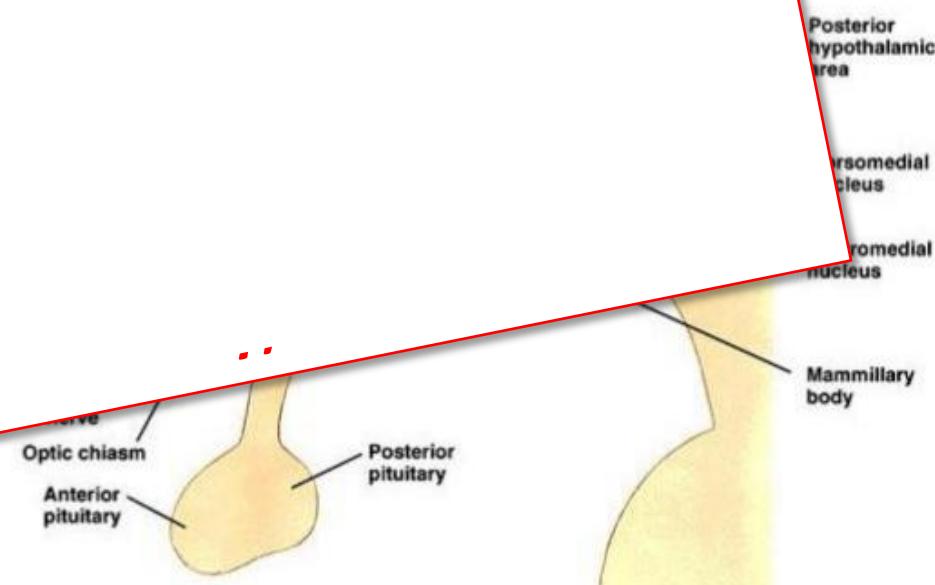
- **Maintenance of homeostasis**



Hypothalamus

- Key center of autonomic regulations and coordination
- Integrates **Biological clock – circadian /seasonal activity**
- Be
- Regulates pituitary gland
- Main

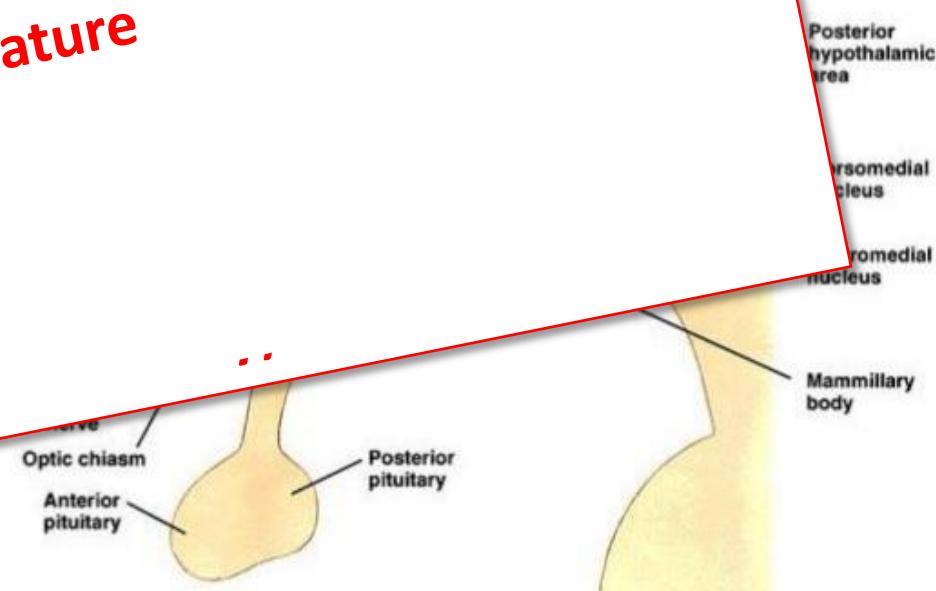
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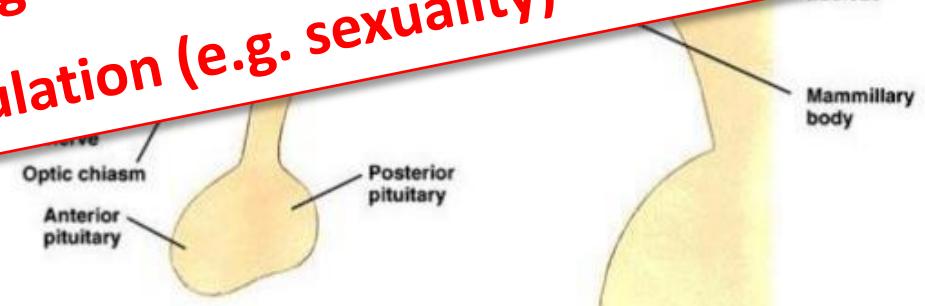
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- Key center of autonomic regulations and coordination
- Integrates ✓ **Biological clock – circadian /seasonal activity**
- Regulates ✓ **Autonomic nervous system regulation**
- Behavioral ✓ **Endocrine system regulation**
- Begets ✓ **Food and water intake regulation**
- Regulates ✓ **Regulation of body temperature**
- Regulates nerve fibers
- Mainly involved in ✓ **Regulation of body temperature**



Hypothalamus

- Key center of autonomic regulations and coordination
- Integrates:
 - ✓ Biological clock – circadian / seasonal activity
 - ✓ Autonomic nervous system regulation
 - ✓ Endocrine system regulation
 - ✓ Food and water intake regulation
 - ✓ Regulation of body temperature
 - ✓ „Immediate“ behavior regulation (e.g. when hunger)
 - ✓ „Long-term“ behavior regulation (e.g. maternal beh.)
 - ✓ Instinctive behavior regulation (e.g. sexuality)
- Behavioral regulation
- Regulates endocrine system
- Regulates nervous system
- Mainly involved in regulation of internal environment



Hypothalamus

Paraventricular and supraoptic nuclei

- regulate water balance
- produce ADH and oxytocin
- destruction causes diabetes insipidus
- paraventricular nucleus projects to autonomic nuclei of brainstem and spinal cord

Anterior nucleus

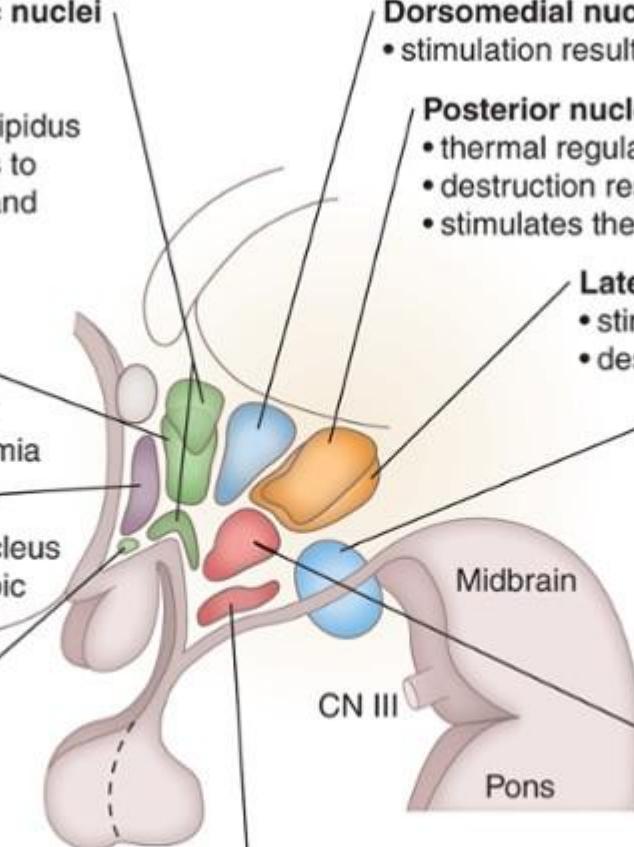
- thermal regulation (dissipation of heat)
- stimulates parasympathetic NS
- destruction results in hyperthermia

Preoptic area

- contains sexually dimorphic nucleus
- regulates release of gonadotropin-releasing hormone

Suprachiasmatic nucleus

- receives input from retina
- controls circadian rhythms



Dorsomedial nucleus

- stimulation results in obesity and savage behavior

Posterior nucleus

- thermal regulation (conservation of heat)
- destruction results in inability to thermoregulate
- stimulates the sympathetic NS

Lateral nucleus

- stimulation induces eating
- destruction results in starvation

Mammillary body

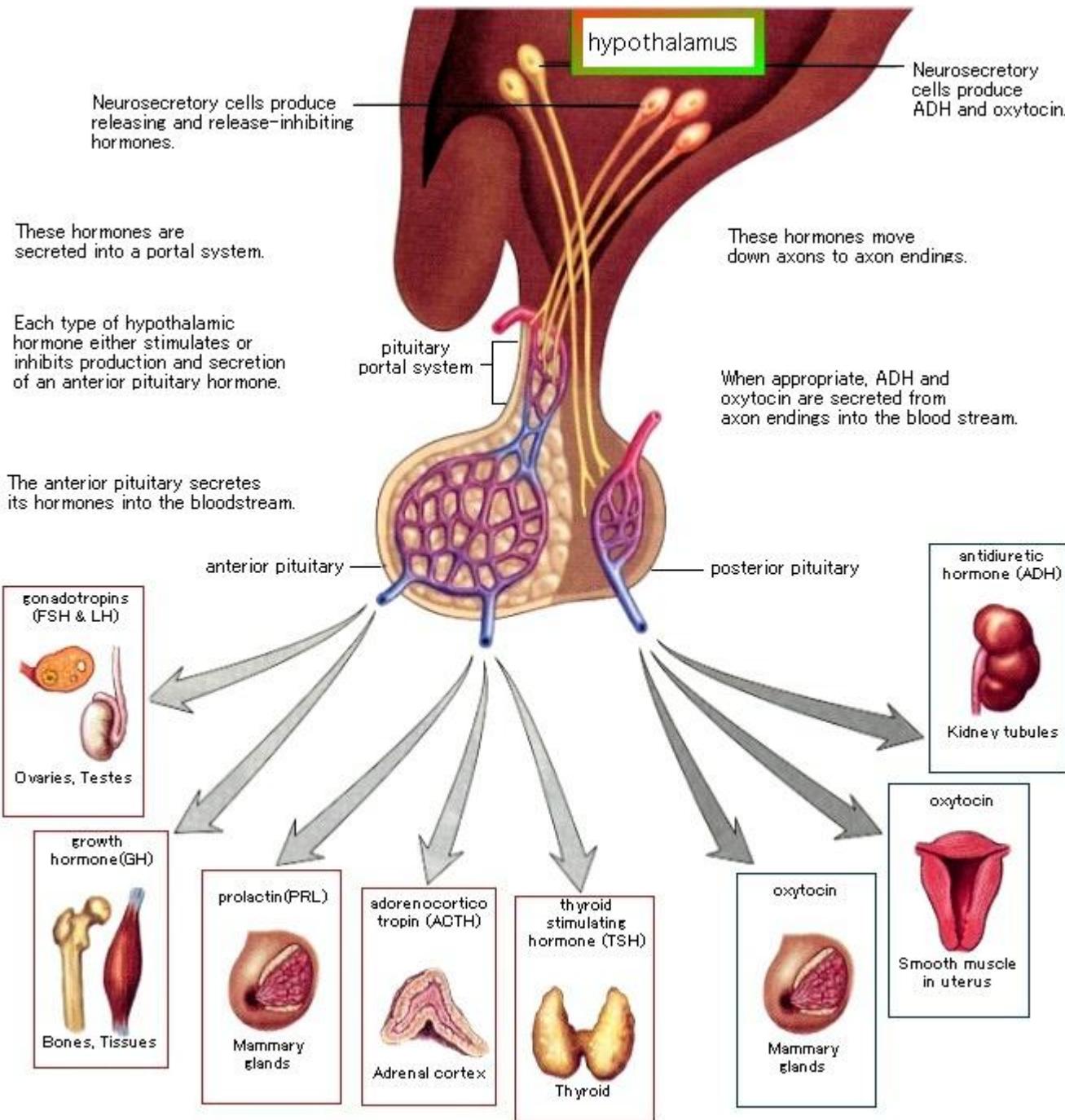
- receives input from hippocampal formation via fornix
- projects to anterior nucleus of thalamus
- contains hemorrhagic lesions in Wernicke's encephalopathy

Ventromedial nucleus

- satiety center
- destruction results in obesity and savage behavior

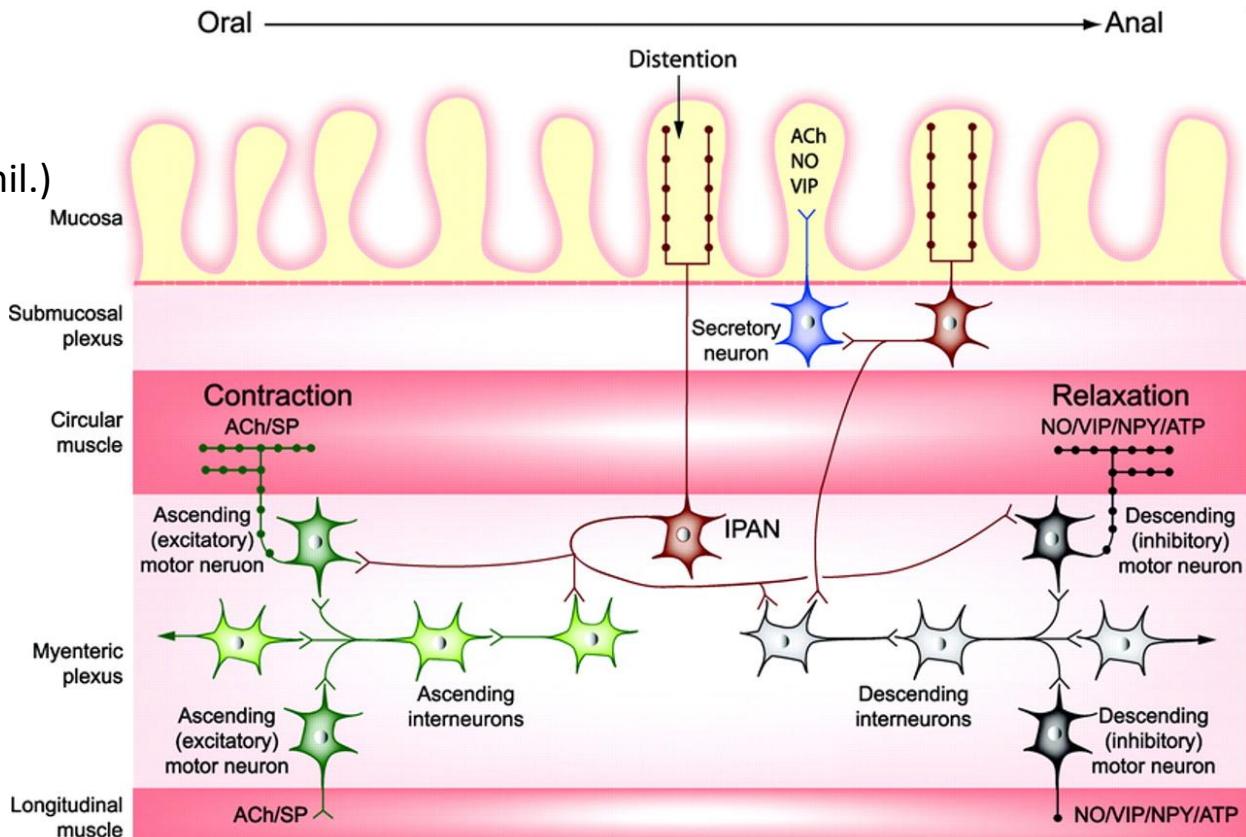
Arcuate nucleus

- produces hypothalamic releasing factors
- contains DOPA-ergic neurons that inhibit prolactin release



Enteric nervous system

- aprox. 500 mil. neurons
 - (brain aprox. 100 bil.)
 - (spinal cord aprox. 100 mil.)
- Plexus myentericus
- Plexus submucosus
- Sensory component
- Executive component
- Interneurons
- High level of autonomy
 - „brain in the gut“



Furness JB (2006) The Enteric Nervous System. Blackwell, Oxford, pp 274

Enteric nervous system

- Autonomy
 - Control of motility
 - Control of secretion
 - Control of blood flow

The Brain in Your Gut

The gut's brain, known as the enteric nervous system, is located in sheaths of tissue lining the esophagus, stomach, small intestine and colon.

SMALL INTESTINE CROSS SECTION

Submucosal plexus

Layer contains sensory cells that communicate with the myenteric plexus and motor fibers that stimulate the secretion of fluids into the lumen.

Myenteric plexus

Layer contains the neurons responsible for regulating the enzyme output of adjacent organs.

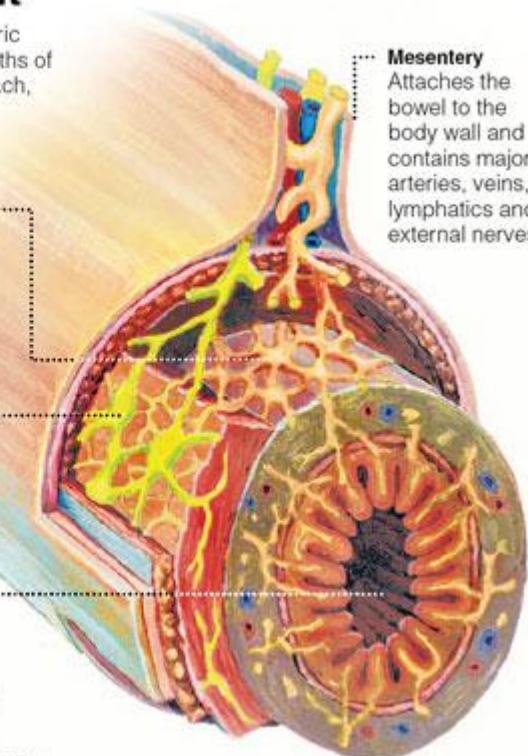
Lumen

No nerves actually enter this area, where digestion occurs. The brains in the head and gut have to monitor conditions in the lumen across the lining of the bowel.

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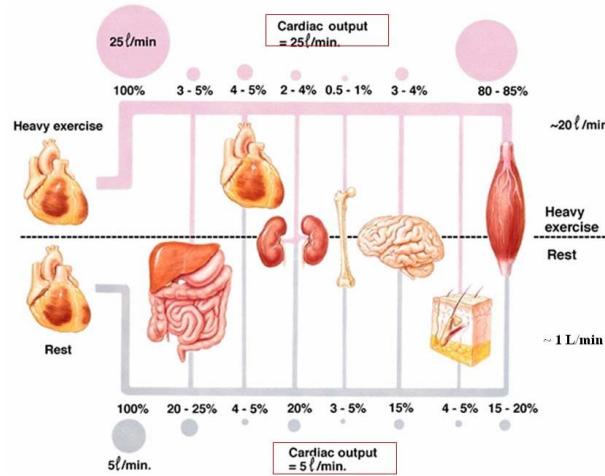
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Mesentery
Attaches the bowel to the body wall and contains major arteries, veins, lymphatics and external nerves.



Enteric nervous system

- Autonomy
 - Control of motility
 - Control of secretion
 - Control of blood flow
- Autonomic nervous system
 - Whole GIT regulation
 - Coordination of all organ systems activities



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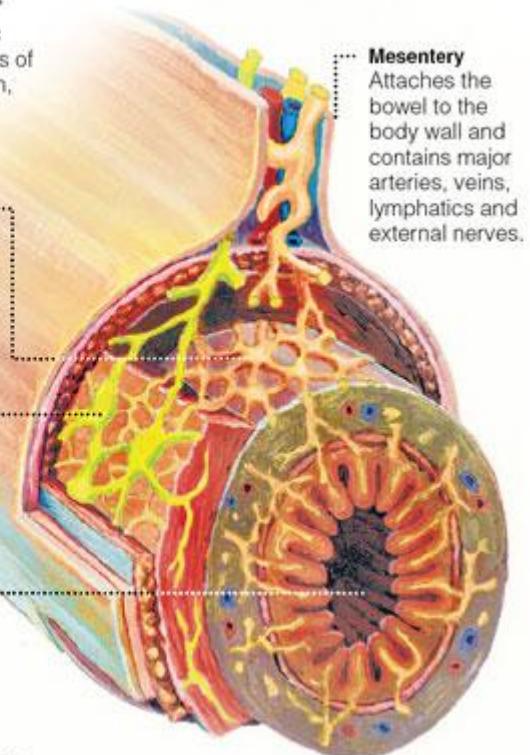
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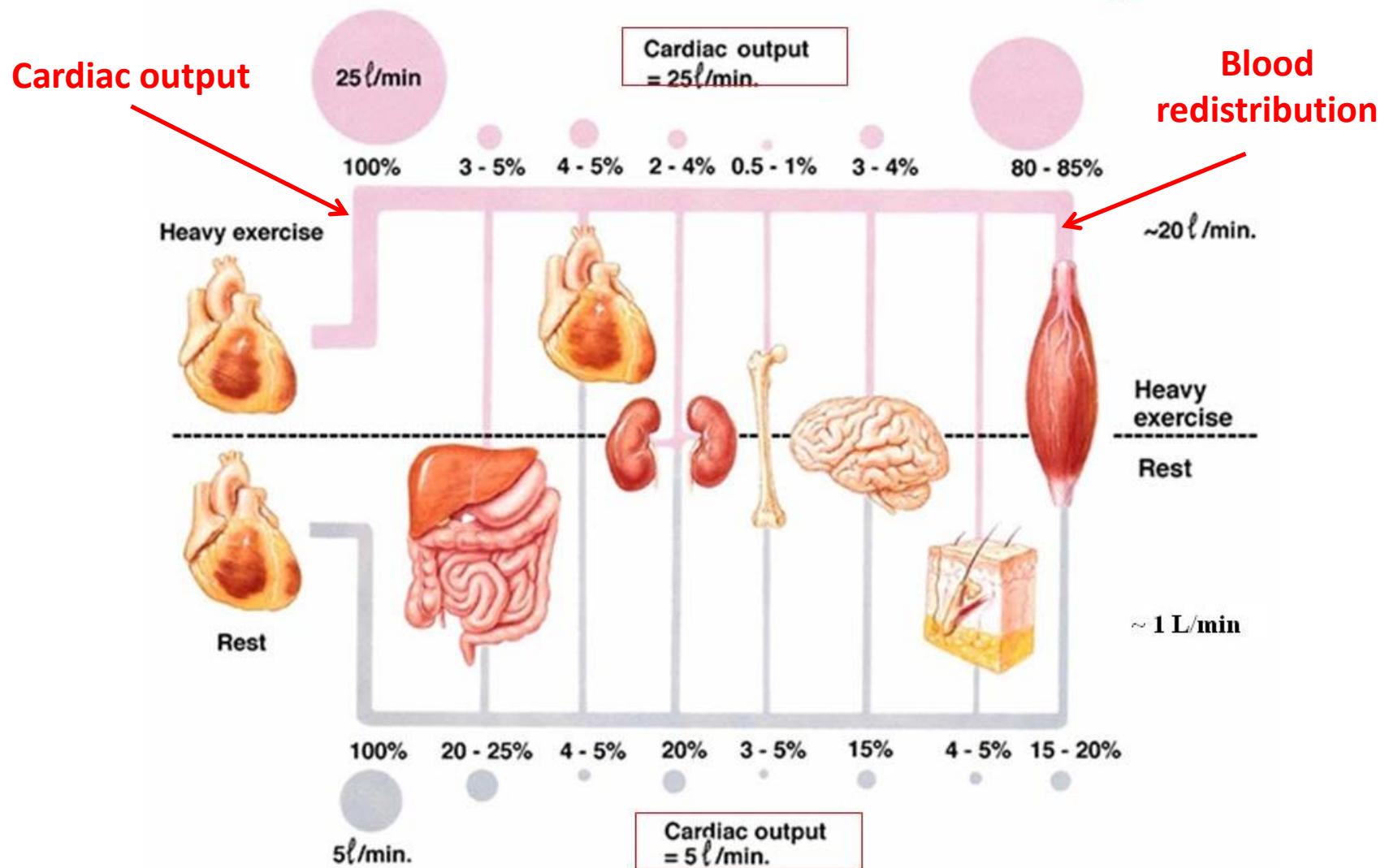
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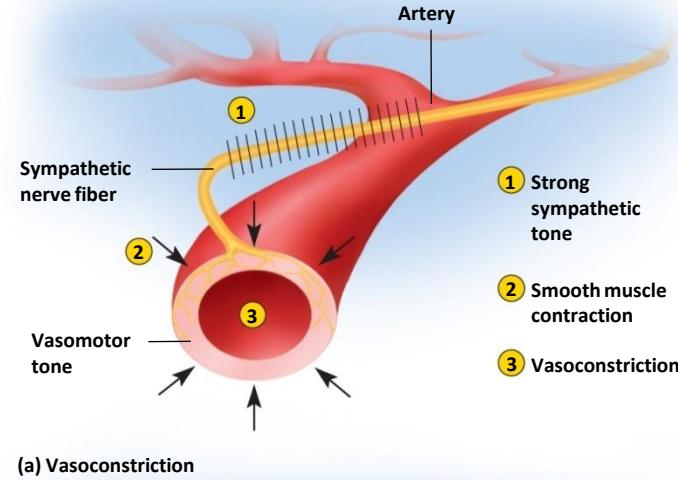
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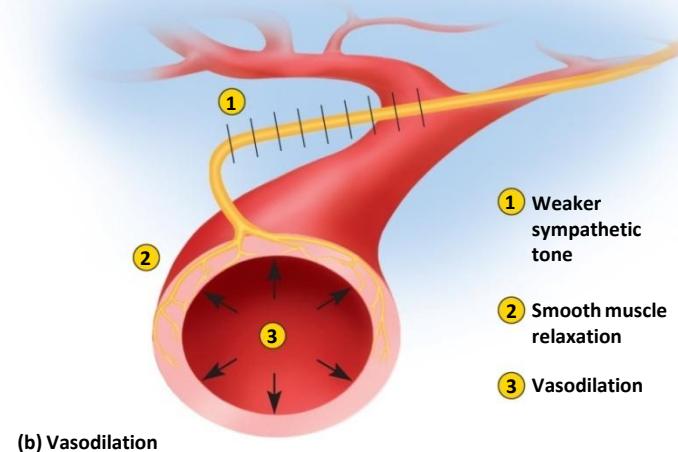
ANS and cardiovascular system

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- Local regulatory mechanisms play major role in vasoreactivity
- Sympathetic regulation
 - Skin vessels contraction
 - Muscle vessels dilatation
- Parasympathetic regulation
 - GIT vessels dilation



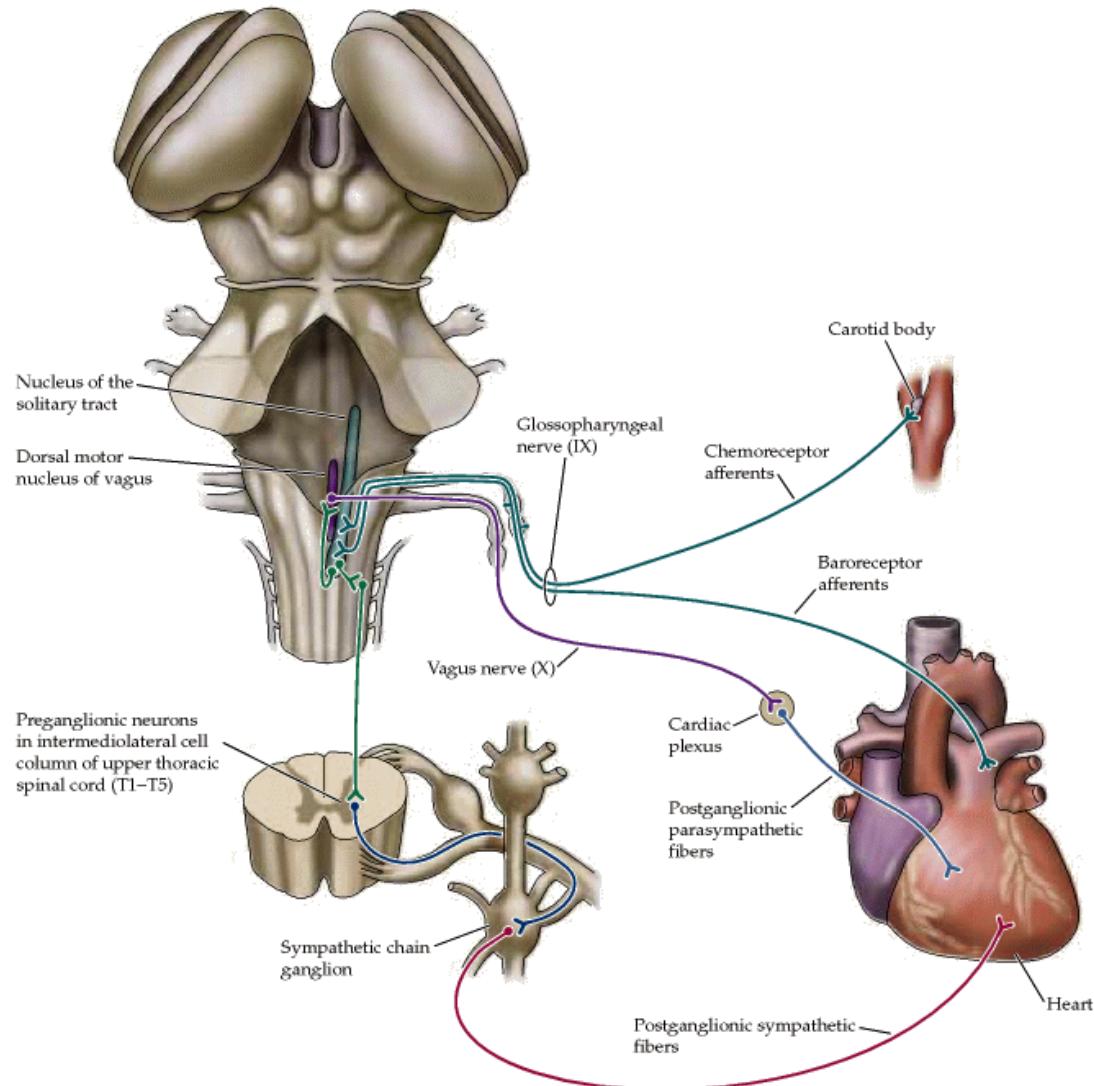
(a) Vasoconstriction



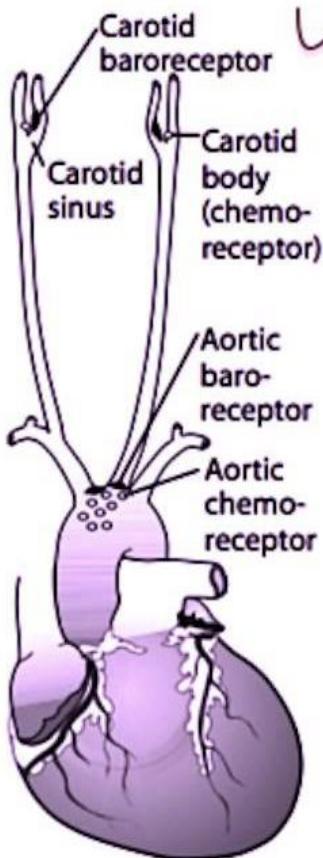
(b) Vasodilation

ANS and cardiovascular system

- Sympathetic regulation
 - Heart rate increase
 - Contractility increase
 - Conductivity increase
- Parasympathetic regulation
 - Heart rate decrease
 - Contractility decrease
 - Conductivity decrease



Baroreceptors a chemoreceptors



Receptors:

1. Aortic arch transmits via vagus nerve to medulla (responds only to ↑ BP)
2. Carotid sinus transmits via glossopharyngeal nerve to solitary nucleus of medulla (responds to ↓ and ↑ in BP).

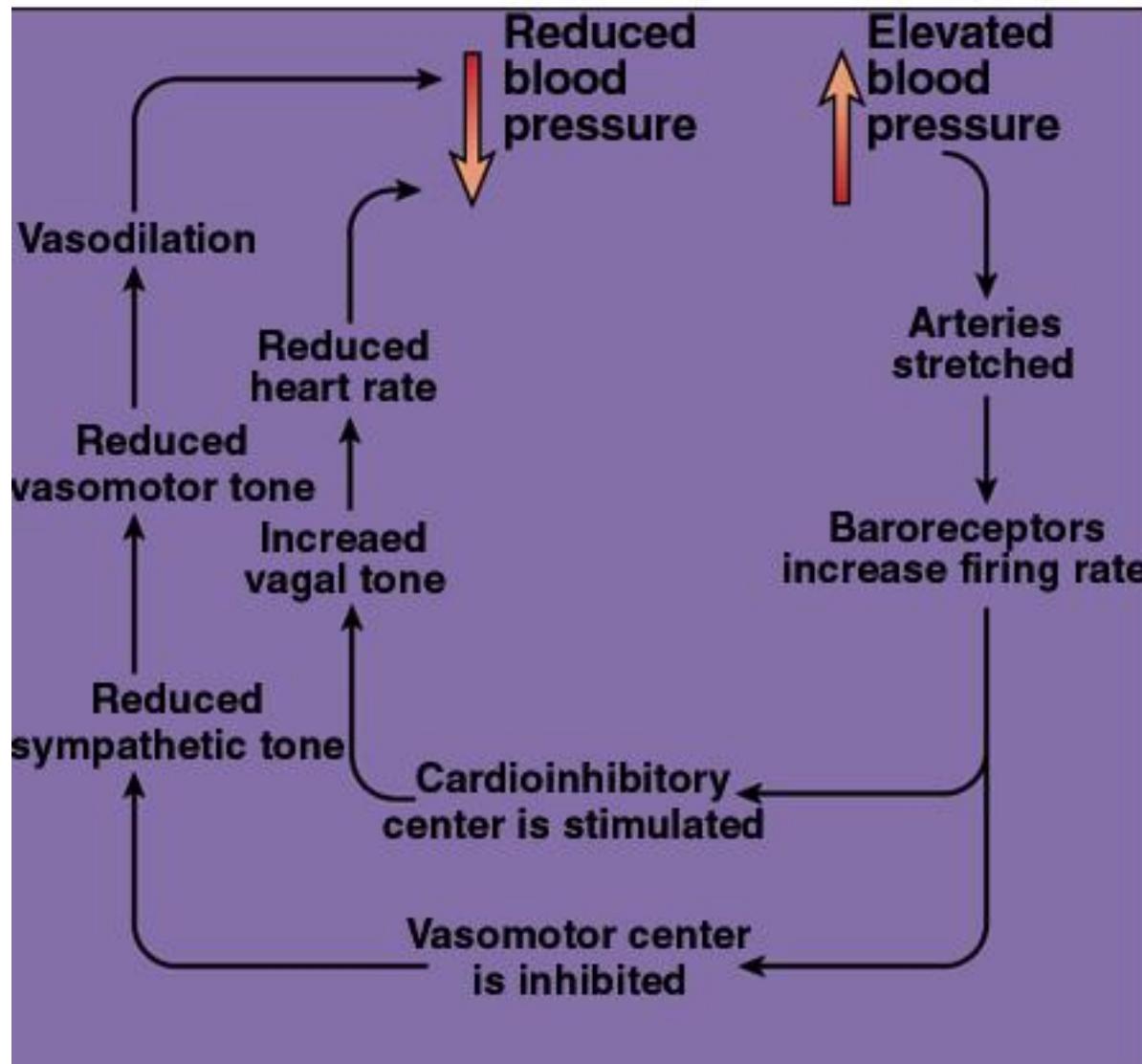
Baroreceptors:

1. Hypotension → ↓ arterial pressure → ↓ stretch → ↓ afferent baroreceptor firing → ↑ efferent sympathetic firing and ↓ efferent parasympathetic stimulation → vasoconstriction, ↑ HR, ↑ contractility, ↑ BP. Important in the response to severe hemorrhage.
2. Carotid massage → ↑ pressure on carotid artery → ↑ stretch → ↑ afferent baroreceptor firing → ↓ HR.

Chemoreceptors:

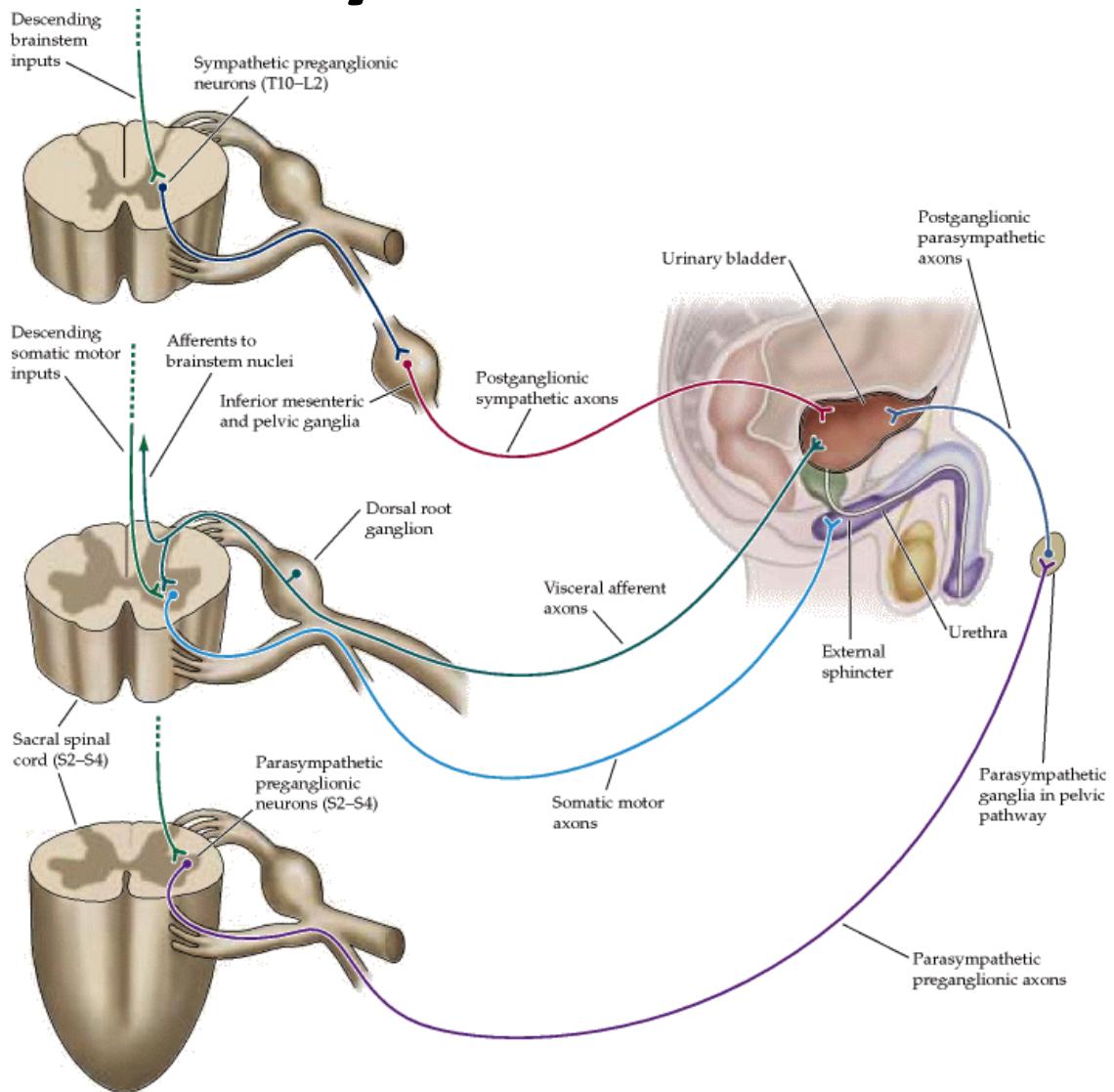
1. Peripheral—carotid and aortic bodies respond to ↓ PO₂ (< 60 mmHg), ↑ PCO₂, and ↓ pH of blood.
2. Central—respond to changes in pH and PCO₂ of brain interstitial fluid, which in turn are influenced by arterial CO₂. Do not directly respond to PO₂. Responsible for Cushing reaction—↑ intracranial pressure constricts arterioles → cerebral ischemia → hypertension (sympathetic response) → reflex bradycardia. Note: Cushing triad = hypertension, bradycardia, respiratory depression.

Baroreflex



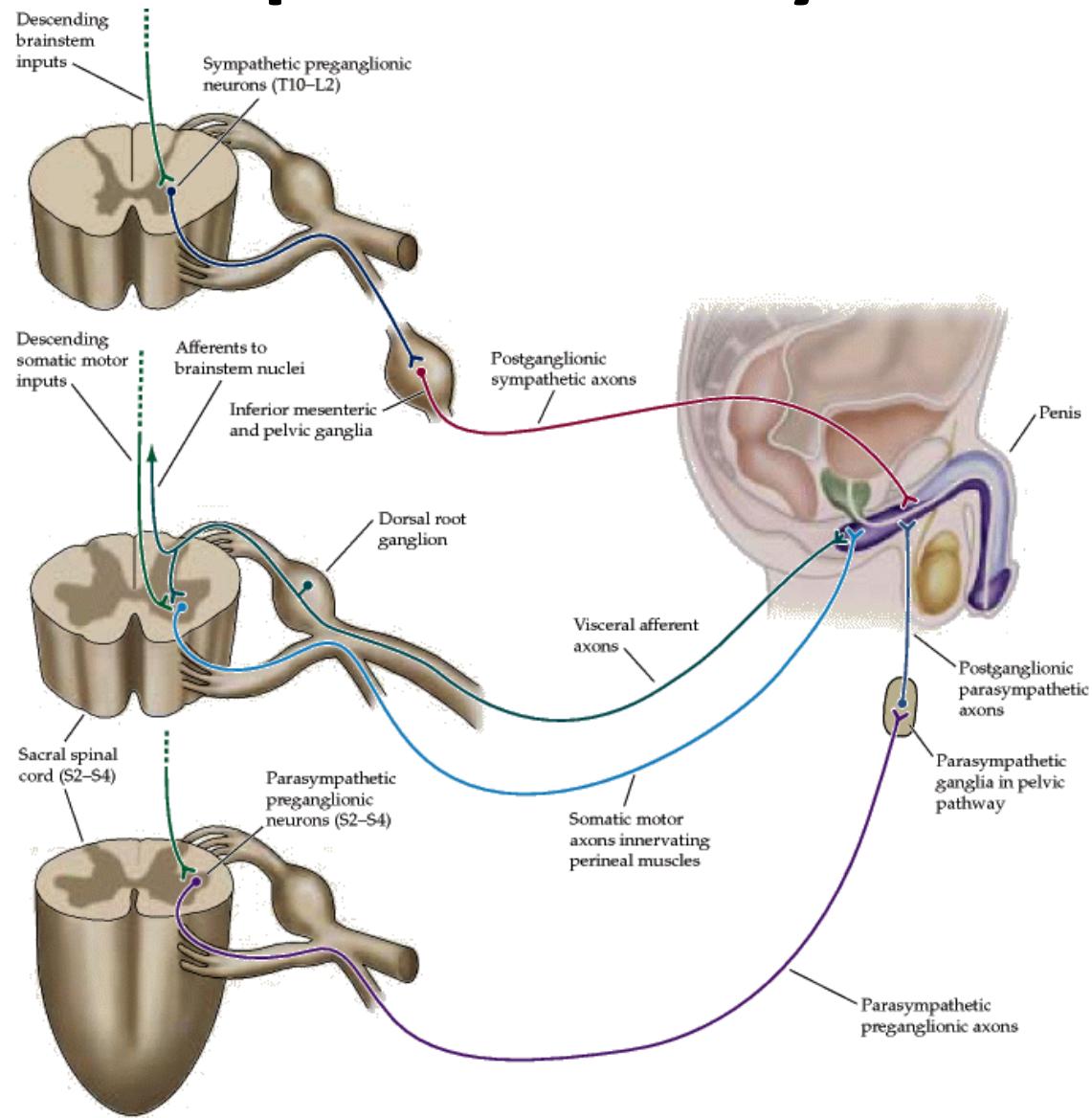
ANS and urinary bladder

- Sympathetic regulation
 - Detrusor relaxation
 - Sphincter contraction
- Parasympathetic regulation
 - Detrusor contraction
 - Sphincter relaxation



ANS and male reproductive system

- Parasympathetic reg.
 - Erection
- Sympathetic reg.
 - Ejaculation



ANS and female reproductive system

Very complicated.....

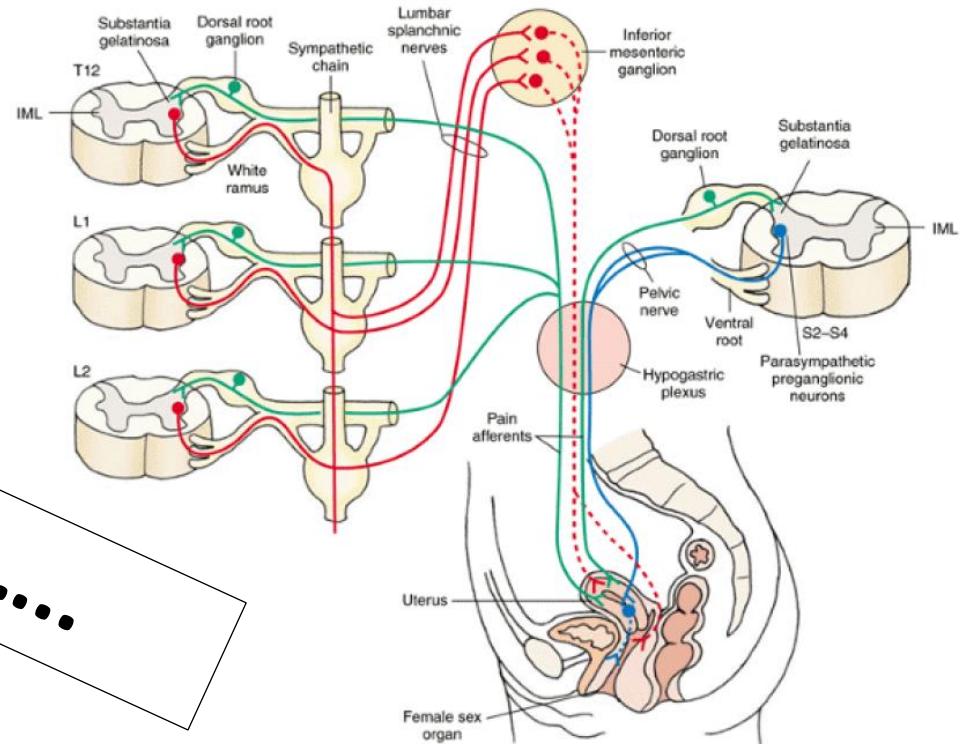


Figure 22-10 Autonomic innervation of the female reproductive system (see text for details). Red = sympathetic nervous system, blue = parasympathetic nervous system. Solid lines = preganglionic fibers, dotted lines = postganglionic fibers. The green lines indicate pain afferents.