# Sensory receptors

Unencapsulated receptors

Don't have connective tissue capsule

Encapsulated receptors Have connective tissue capsule

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2nd lecture

1- Merkel disc

 for light touch and sensing an object texture
 expanded nerve endings associated with merkel cell

- 2- Free nerve endings
- ➢ In papillary dermis
- ➢ Temperature, pain, itching, tactile sensation
- 3- Root hair plexuses
- Surround the bases of hair follicles in reticular dermis
- ≻Detect movements of hair



**Root hair plexuses** 

# **Unencapsulated nerve receptors**



## **Meissner corpuscles:**

- ➢ Encapsulated
- ➢ In the dermal papilla
- Light touch
- Are numerous in fingertips, palms and soles
- Decline in number with aging

## **Pacinian corpuscles**

Encapsulated
Found deep in reticular dermis and hypodermis

Coarse touch, pressure (sustained touch) and vibrations



## **Ruffini corpuscles:**

≻Encapsulated

Stretch (tension) and twisting (torque)

# Skin Appendages





Hair follicle is a tube of stratified squamous epithelium, invaginated into the dermis

## **INNER ROOT SHEATH**

Disintegrates at the level of

the sebaceous gland Only stratum basale and stratum spinosum

make invagination and form : OUTER ROOT SHEATH

 $\succ$  Is continuous with the

epidermis

> It does not take part in

hair formation

Surrounded by a glassy

basement membrane

Basement membrane is

surrounded by a connective

tissue sheath, or dermal sheath







### **Sebaceous glands**

Secrete an oily or waxy matter, called sebum, to lubricate and waterproof the skin and hair

### Secrete by holocrine mode of

secretion The whole cell is die and secrete the sebum يعني كأنه هذول الخلايا بضحوا بحياتهم عشان يكون عندك بشرة ناعمة \* In the last lecture we said that the thick skin in the soles and palms does not contain hair , so we do not have sebaceous gland Why ??

Simply, if we have sebaceous gland in the palms or soles, it would be very difficult for you to hold things and you can't walk or run as normal you do.

\* The secretion of this gland is stimulated by :

Estrogen + Testosterone .

This takes place around puberty time , we start producing these hormones and the skin starts to be oily .

\* Sometimes the opening (duct) of this gland is "blocked" due to excessive secretion, so the sebum collected below the level of epidermis producing ( Comedo or blackheads ) See the next slide :)



Simple branched acinar gland

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Sometimes this sebum got infected by "Propionibacterium acne" Remember microbiology :) So acne is common during puberty time .

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انسداد A **comedo** is a clogged hair follicle (pore) in the skin. Keratin combines with oil to block the follicle

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#### Pili = Hair

Arrector pili muscles are small muscles extend from hair follicles to the dermal papilla

Contraction of these muscles causes the hairs to stand on end (goose bumps)

Innervated by the autonomic nervous system (sympathetic ) because it is smooth muscle

The process that the hair is removed is called (Depilatory).

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The attachments of these muscles to dermal papillae cause dimples seen in goosebumps

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Pulls hairs upright when cold or frightened

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The role of this muscle is more prominent in animals, because it reduces heat loss through the surface of their bodies

# **Structure of the hair shaft**

النخاع Medulla: large vacuolated and moderately keratinized cells

القشرة Cortex: heavily keratinized and densely packed cells) and contains pigment melanin

Cuticle: thin layer heavily keratinized squamous cells covering the cortex very hard

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Hairs grow discontinuously, with periods of growth followed by periods of rest and this growth does not occur synchronously in all regions of the body or even in the same area

## Hair Growth Cycle

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# **Sweat Glands**

# **Eccrine sweat gland**

- Merocrine secretion
- Empty directly onto skin surface
- Location: most all over body (esp. abundant on palms & soles: ~ 500/cm<sup>2</sup>)
- Clear, watery secretion (99%)
   H<sub>2</sub>O; rest NaCl + some waste
   products

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# Apocrine sweat gland

- Empty into hair follicle
- Location: armpits, groin, nipples
- Viscous, cloudy secretion → good nutrient source for bacteria (odor !!)
- Secretion may contain Pheromones
- Secretion begins at puberty and is stimulated during emotional distress

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## Apocrine sweat glands

## Eccrine (merocrine) sweat glands

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Hard plates of keratin on the dorsal surface of each distal phalanx Lack of pigment makes them colorless

## Nail parts

- 1. Free edge: the part you cut
- 2. Body: pink part
- 3. Lunula: white semicircle area
- 4. Eponychium: proximal nail fold (cuticle)
- 5. Hyponychium: under the free edge where dirt accumulates
- 6. Nail bed: directly under the pink part
- 7. Nail matrix: growth

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# Practical sections for the exam

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Sebaceous gland

Arrector pili Pacinian corpuscle Sweat gland

Hair shaft/root Dermal papilla Hair matrix

## **Meissner corpuscle**

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## THICK OR THIN SKIN ????

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### Q1: Which of the following is a real difference between thick and thin skin?

a. Thick skin has hair follicles while thin skin doesn't

- b. Thick skin has thinner dermis than thin skin
- c. Unlike thick skin, thin skin has well developed stratum granulosum
- d. None of the above is a real difference

ANSWER: B

# Q2: A component of the hair follicle that is formed by the continuation of epidermis of the skin:

- a. Inner root sheath
- b. Outer root sheath
- c. Glassy membrane
- d. None of the above

**ANSWER: B** 

#### Q3: Merkel cells and melanocytes are located in:

- a. Stratum corneum
- b. Stratum granulosum
- c. Stratum spinosum
- d. Stratum basale

#### ANSWER: D

### Q4: Which of the following is false regarding this section?

a. It is found in thin skin such as the upper eyelid

b. Both eccrine sweat glands and sebaceous glands can be seen

c. The inner root sheath ends at the level of sebaceous glands

d. None of the above is false

ANSWER: A

- Q5: The labelled structure is:
- a. Meissner's corpuscle
- b. Pacinian corpuscle
- c. Hair root
- d. Apocrine sweat glands

ANSWER: B

Q6: Which of the following is false regarding this histology section:

a. It is taken from the palms and soles of the feet

- b. No hair or sebaceous glands
- c. This section is taken from the eyelid
- d. Thick skin with prominent stratum corneum

### ANSWER: C

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#### Q7: The following section represents:

- a. Meissner corpuscle
- b. Pacinian Corpuscle
- c. Ruffini Corpuscle
- d. Merkel disc

#### ANSWER: B

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Q8: Apocrine sweat glands and sebaceous glands are similar to

each other in which of the following features?

- a. Location in the body
- b. Association with hair follicles
- c. Their mode of secretion
- d. The produced material

#### ANSWER: B

#### Q9: Which of the following statements is wrong regarding thickskin?

- a. It is found in palms and soles
- b. Its epidermis consists of five layers
- c. Its dermis is thicker than the dermis of thin skin
- d. It has no hair or sebaceous glands

#### ANSWER: C

#### Q10: Which of the following is true about melanocytes?

- a. They store the melanin pigment, so they appear brown in color
- b. They are located in stratum spinosum
- c. They transfer melanosomes to nearby keratinocytes
- d. Their proliferation is stimulated by exposure to sun light

#### ANSWER: C

### Q11: Mismatched pair:

a. Stratum spinosum / Langerhans cells are abundant

- b. Stratum Lucidum / not found in all skin types
- c. Stratum corneum / Dead cells
- d. Stratum granulsoum / non-membranous bound lamellar granules

#### ANSWER: D