

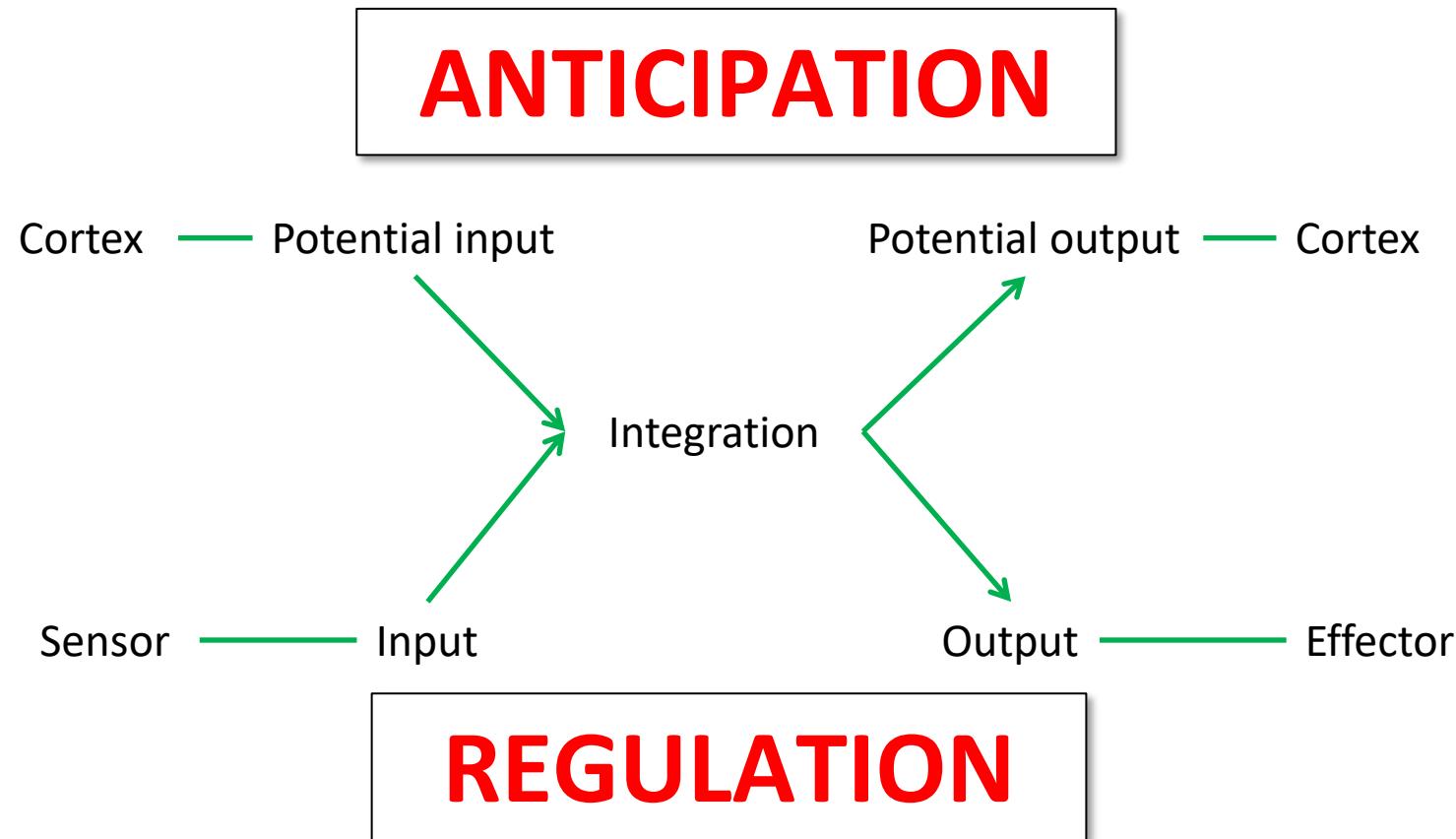
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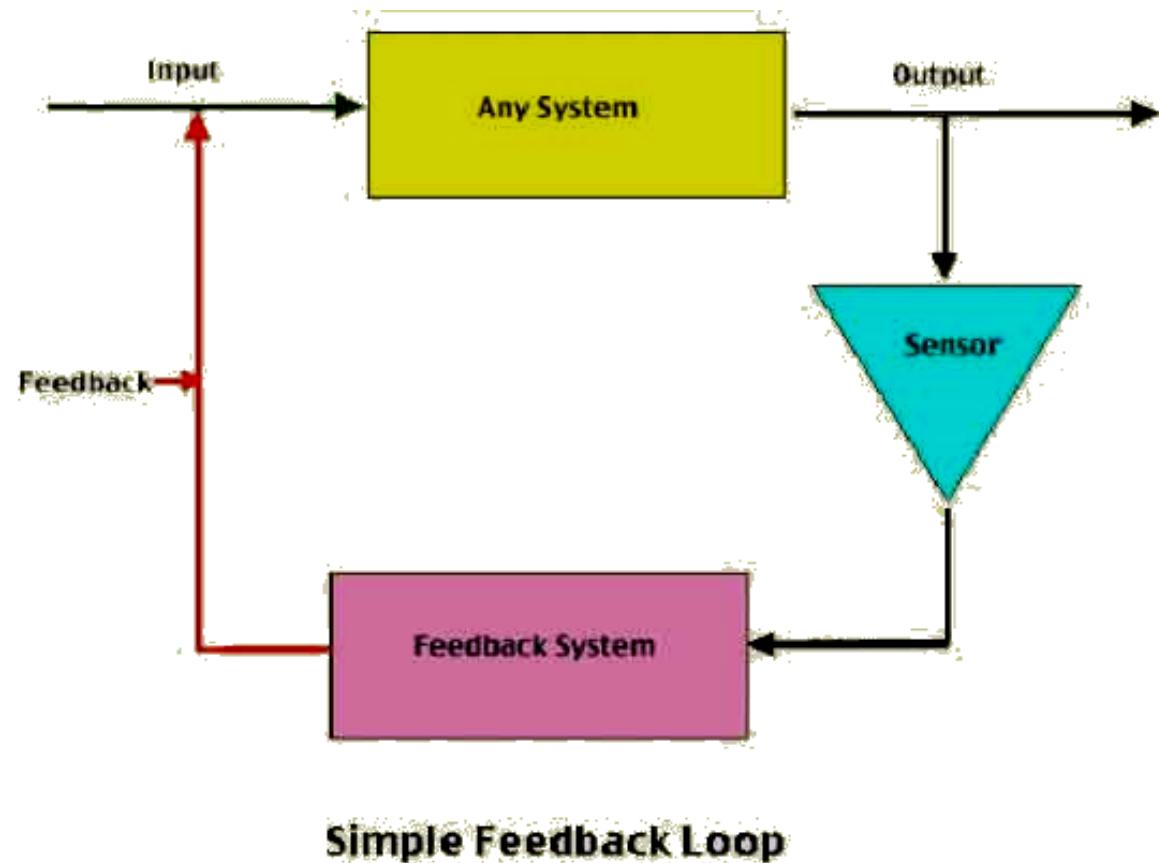
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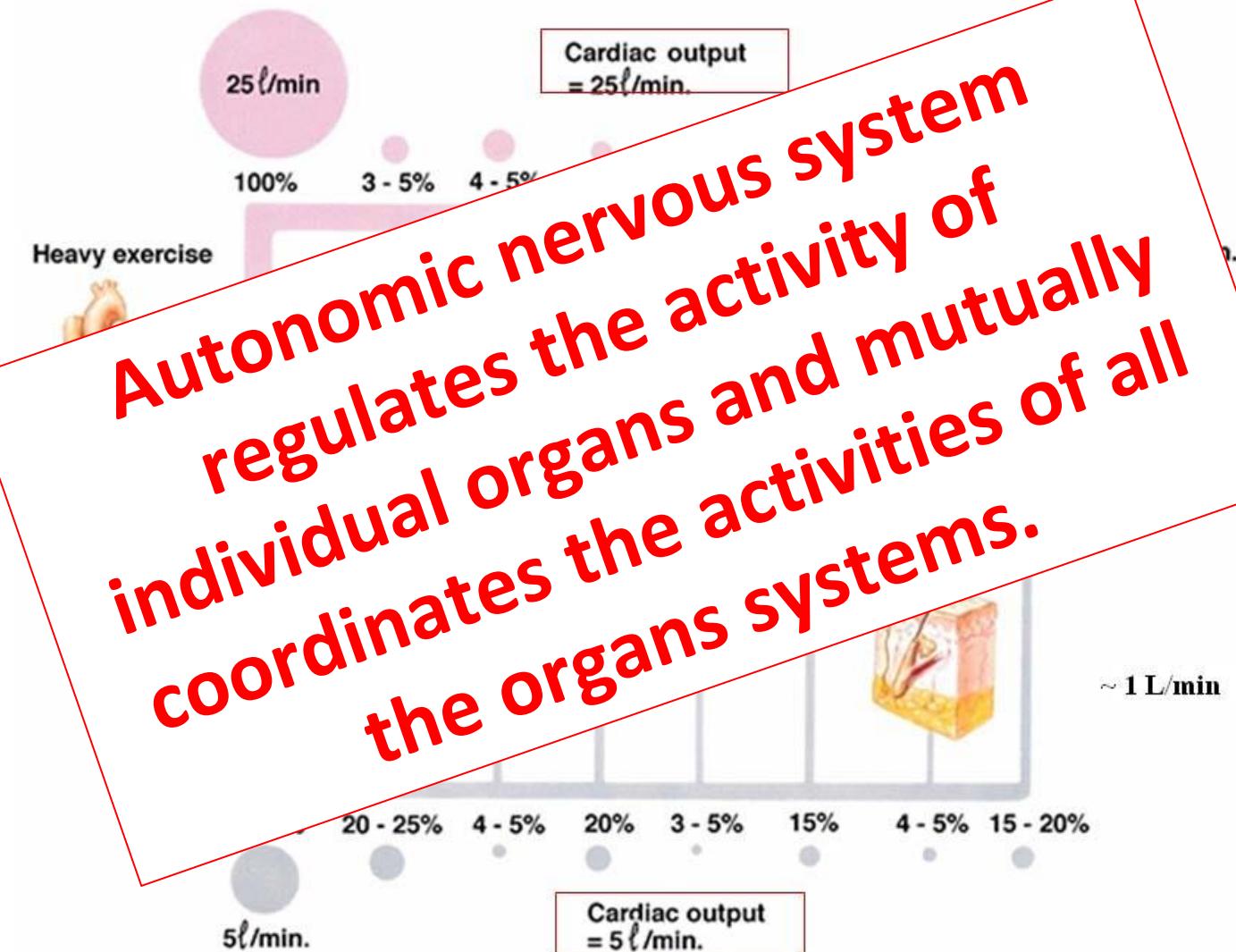
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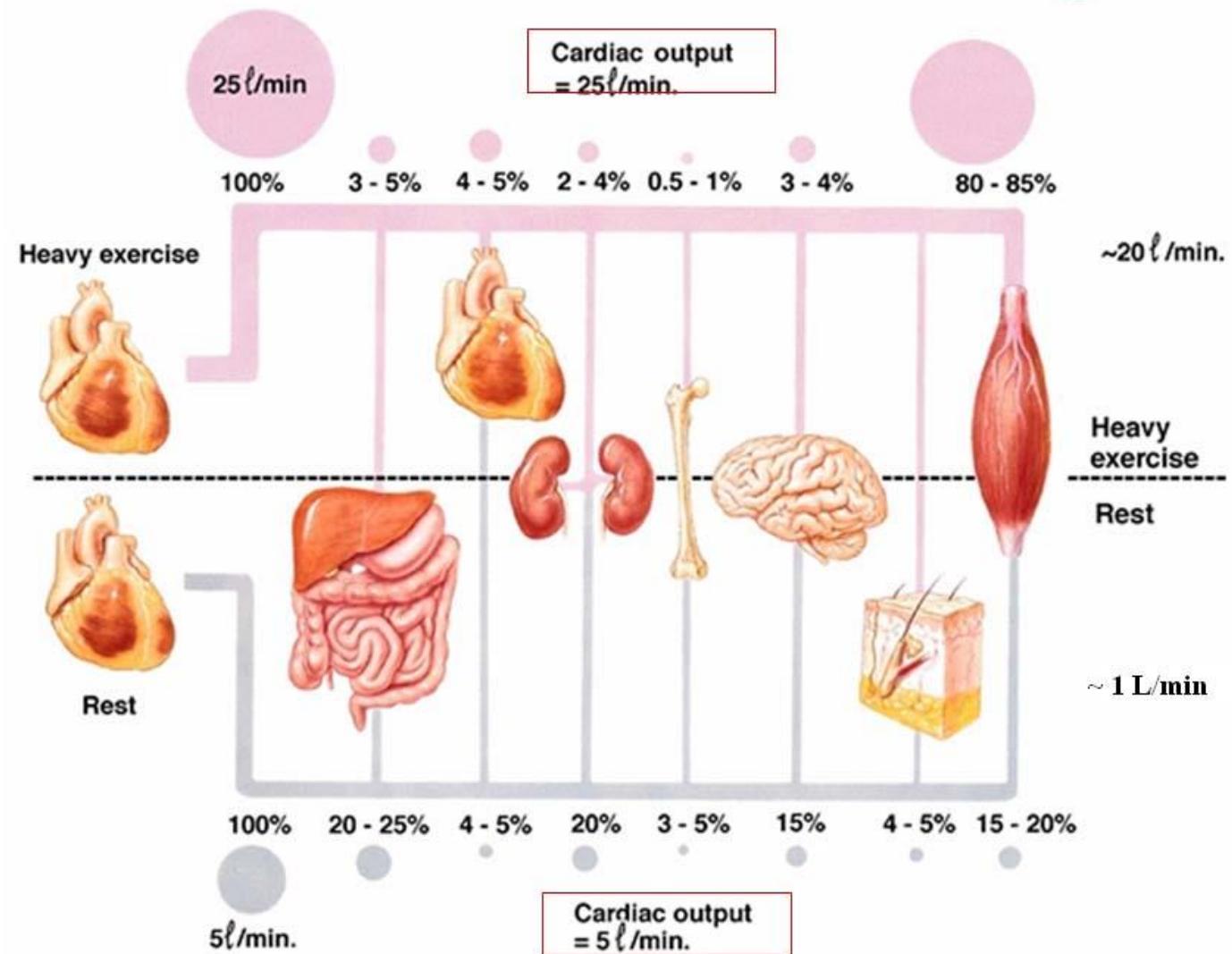
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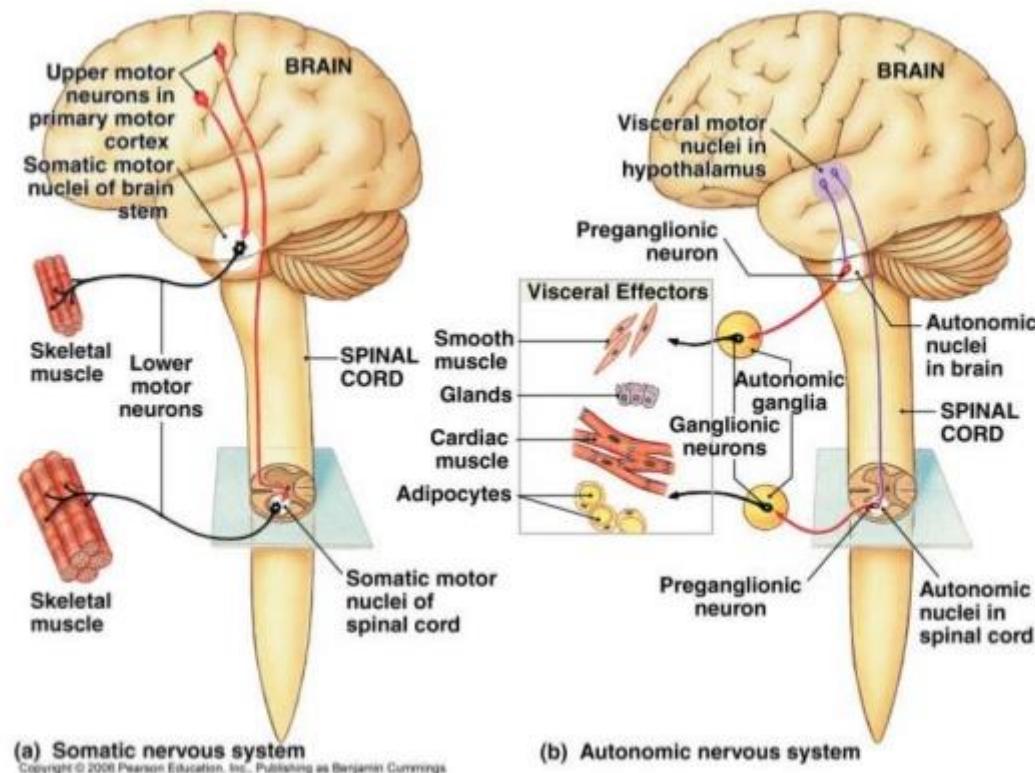
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Somatic vs. Autonomic



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- ✓ Visceral muscle
- ✓ Gland

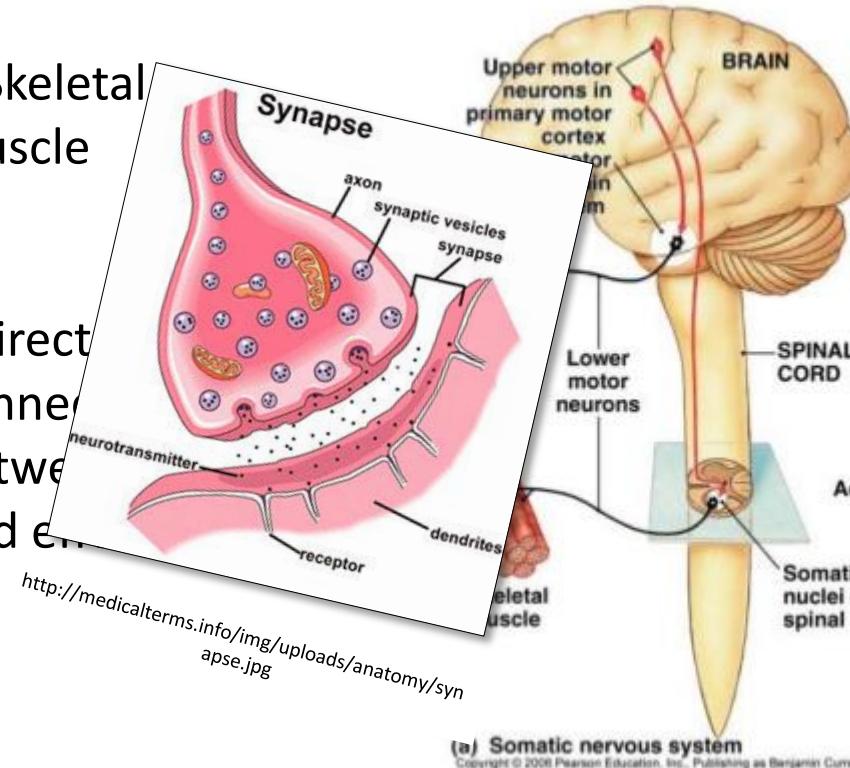
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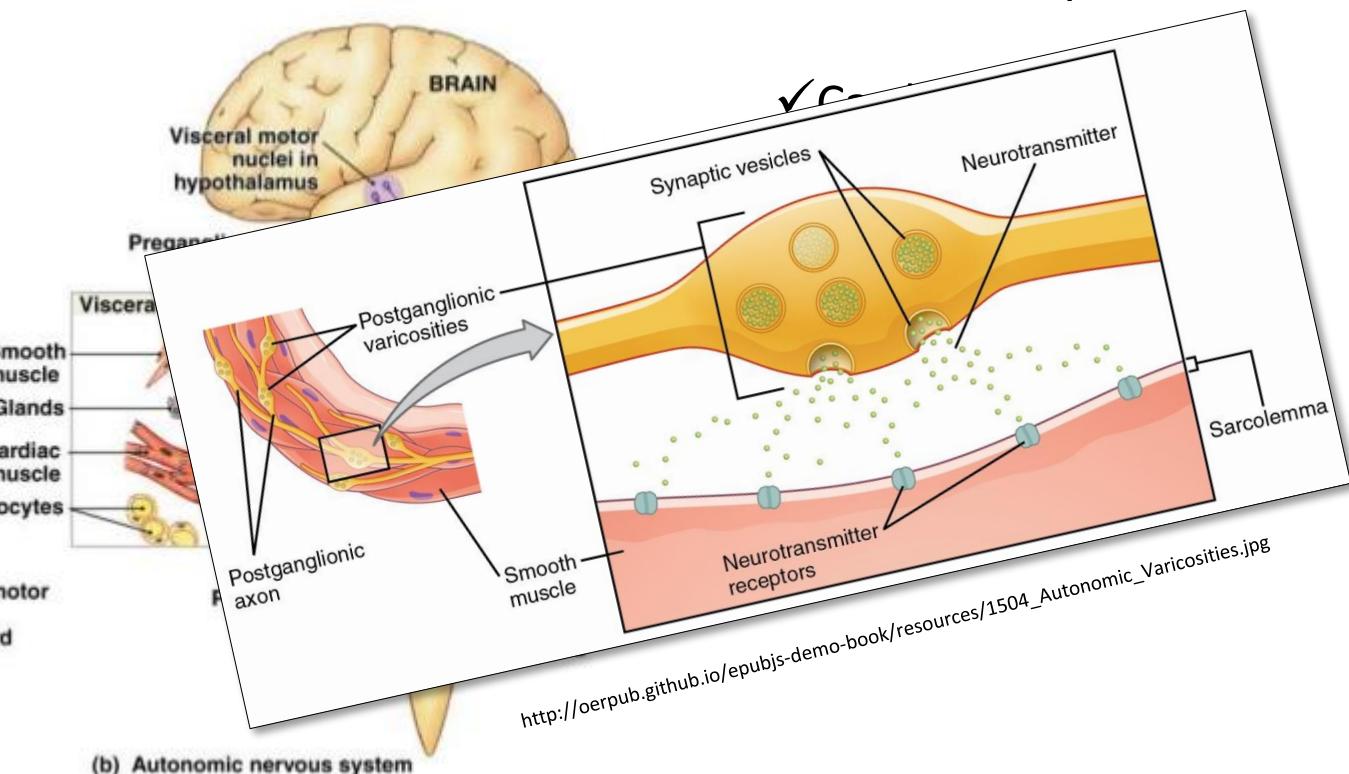
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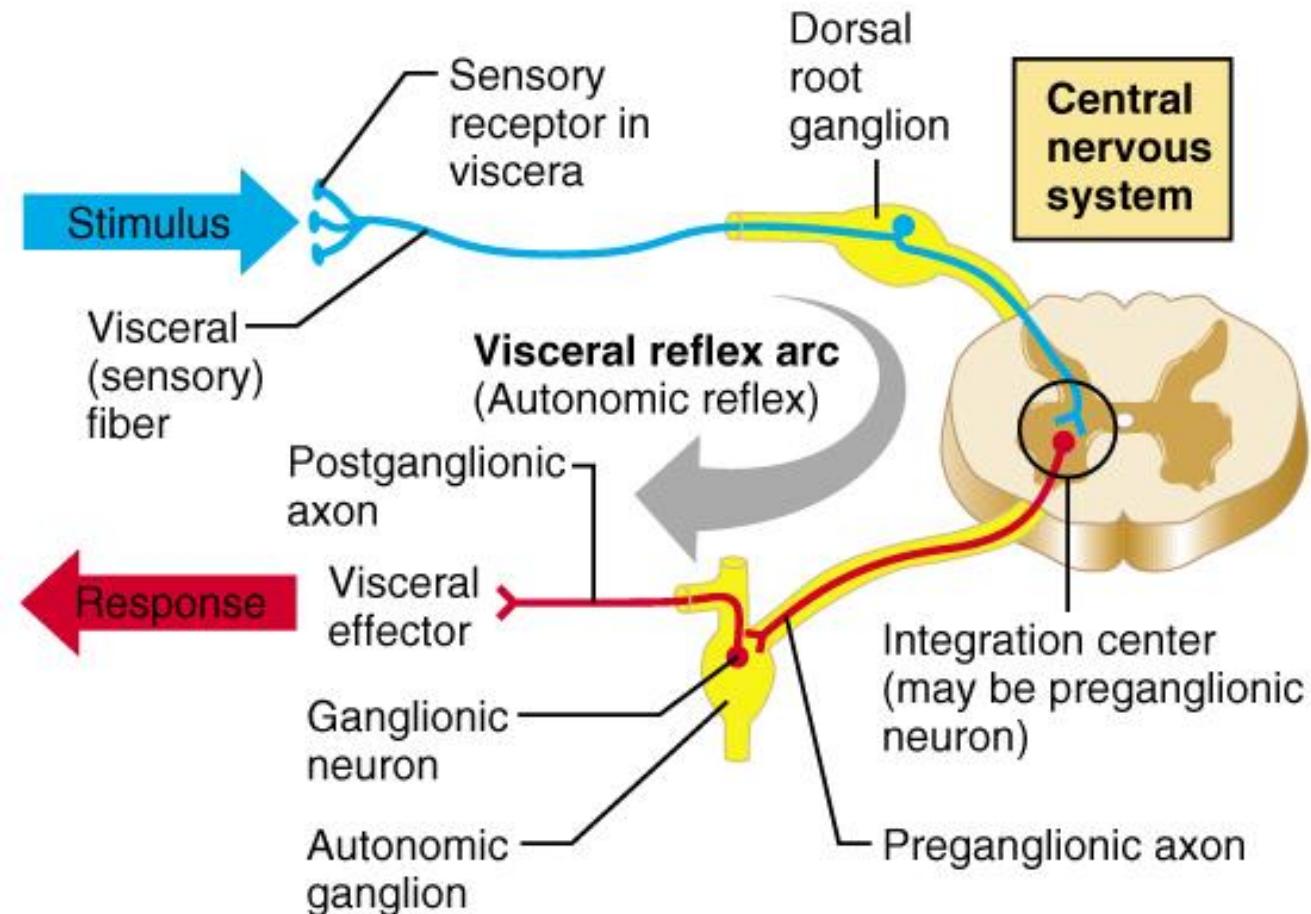


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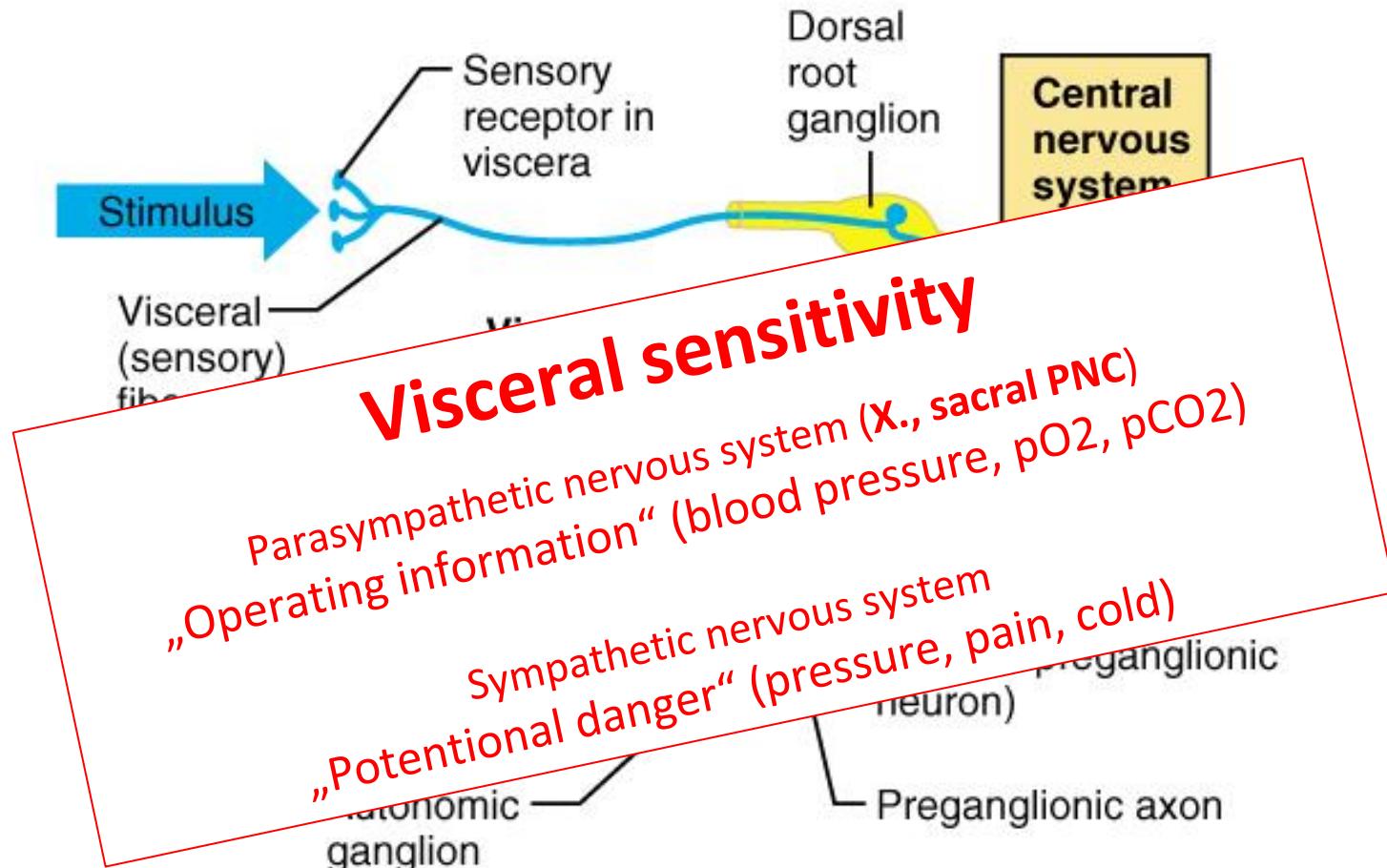


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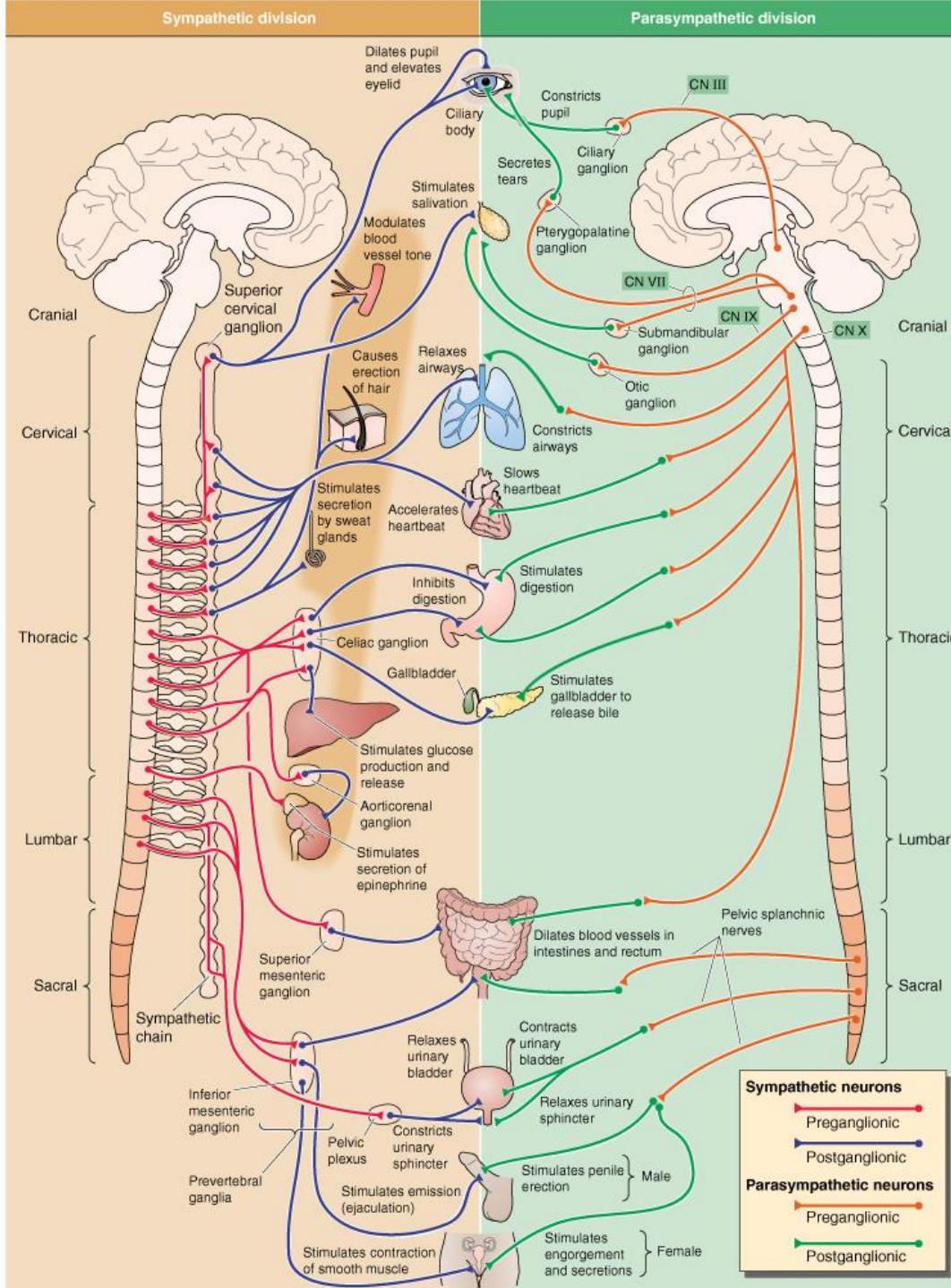


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Fight or flight response

Energy/store consumption



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Rest and digest response

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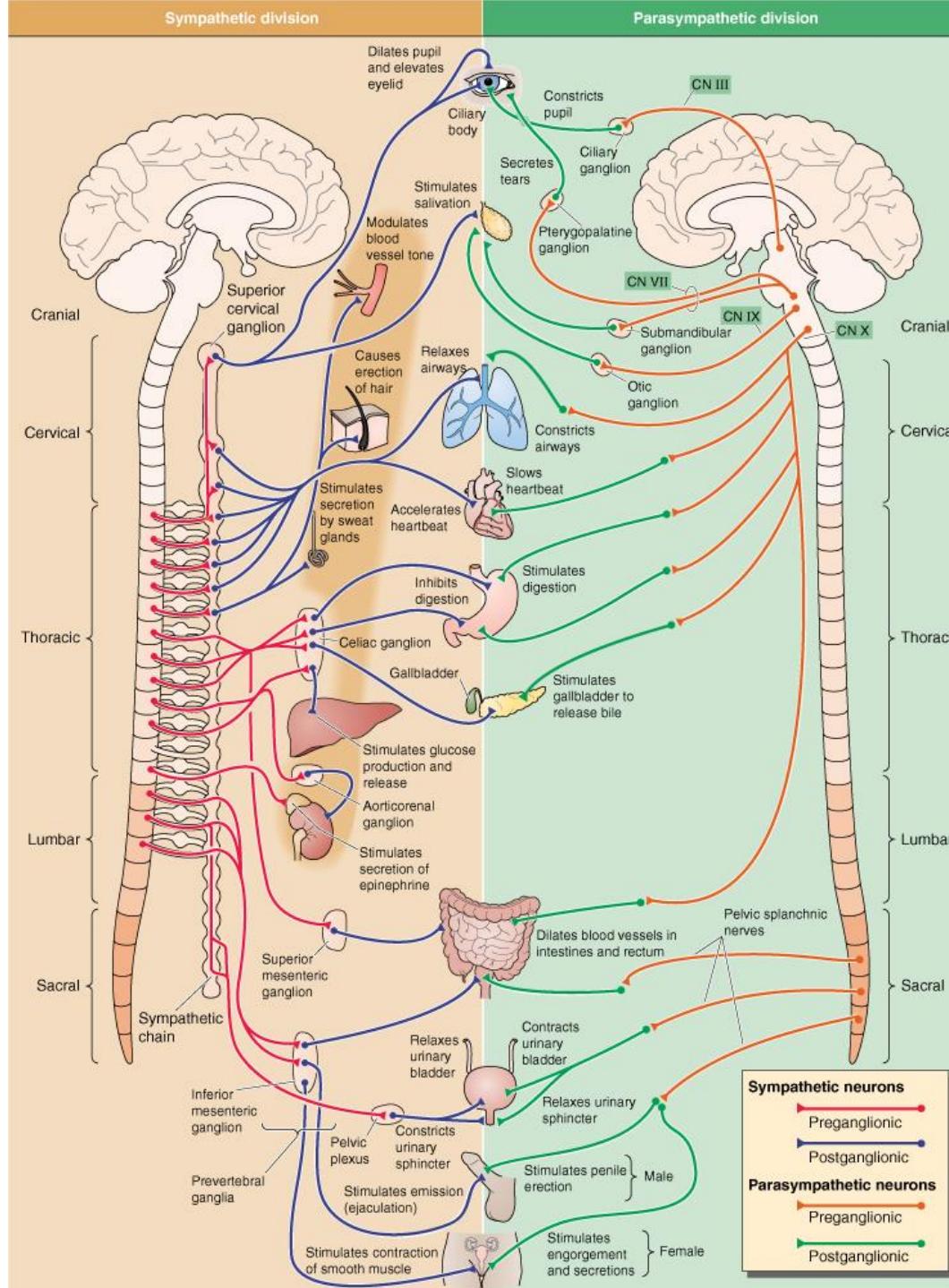
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Mostly diffuse effect



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Ganglia

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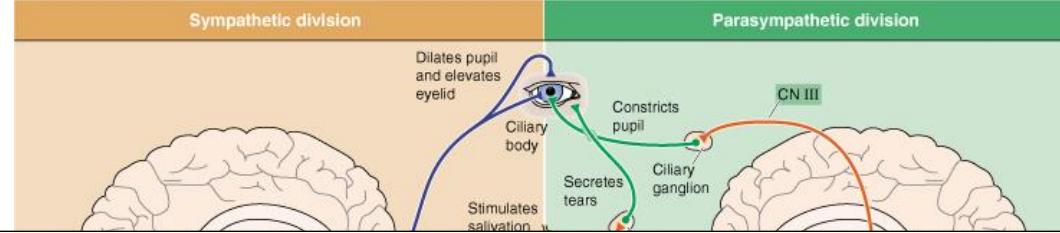
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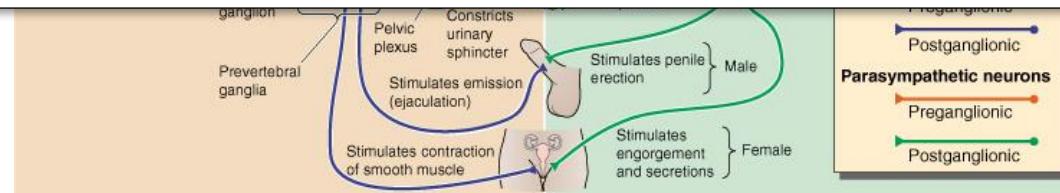
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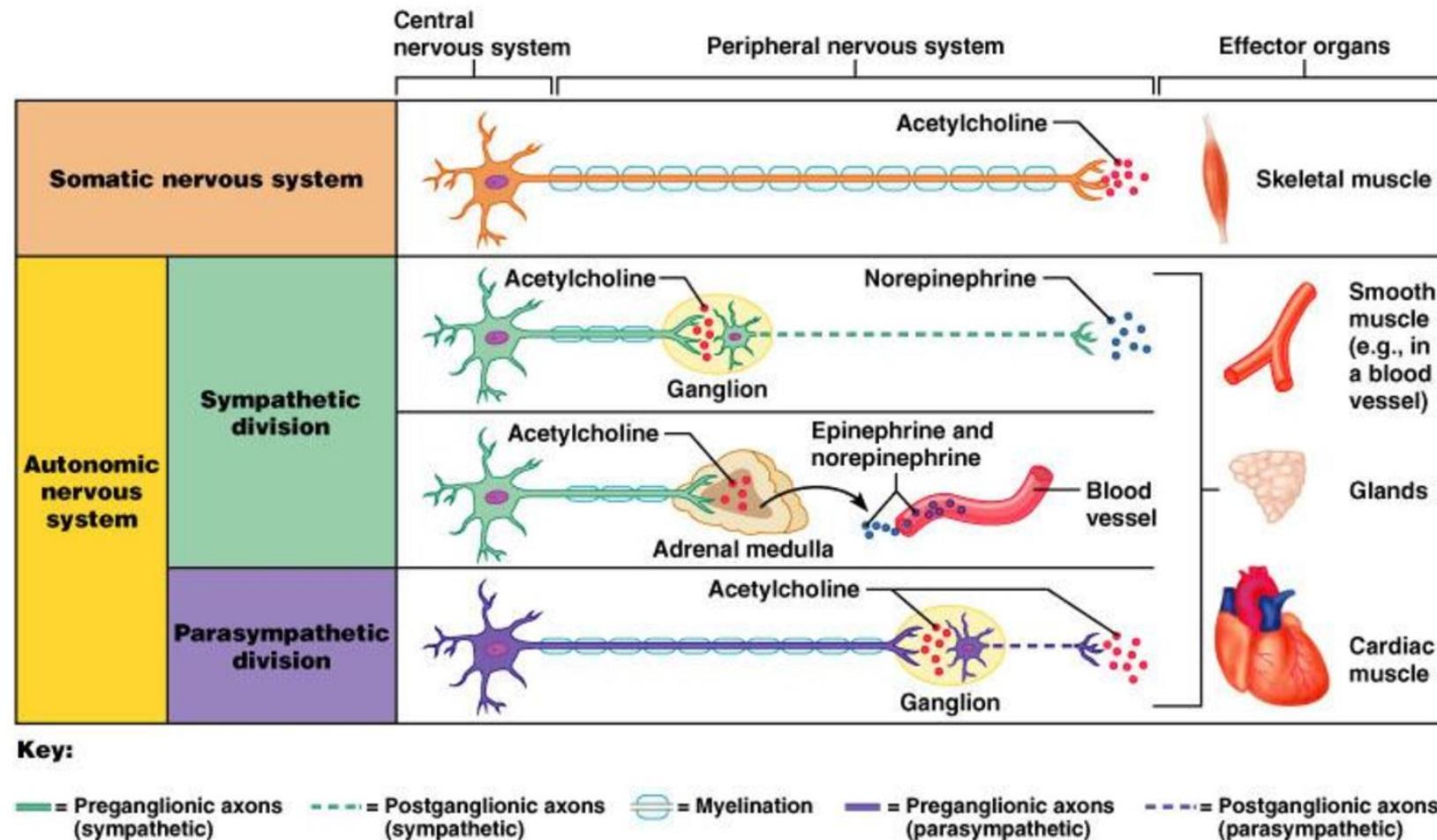
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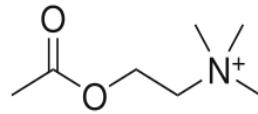
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System/function	Parasympathetic	Sympathetic
Cardiovascular	Decreased cardiac output and heart rate	Increased contraction and heart rate; increased cardiac output
Pulmonary	Bronchial constriction	Bronchial dilatation
Musculoskeletal	Muscular relaxation	Muscular contraction
Pupillary	Constriction	Dilatation
Urinary	Increased urinary output; sphincter relaxation	Decreased urinary output; sphincter contraction
Gastrointestinal	Increased motility of stomach and gastrointestinal tract; increased secretions	Decreased motility of stomach and gastrointestinal tract; decreased secretions
Glycogen to glucose conversion	No involvement	Increased
Adrenal gland	No involvement	Release epinephrine and norepinephrine



# Mediators of somatic and autonomic nervous system

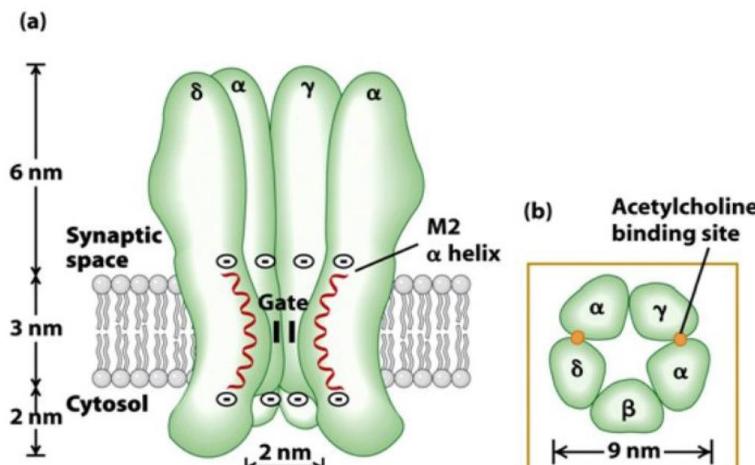


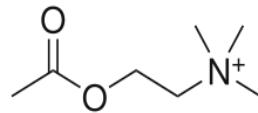


# Acetylcholine

## Preganglionic fibers

- Sympathetic
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- ✓ Nicotinic receptor
  - Ligand-gated ion channels
  - $\text{Na}^+$ ,  $\text{K}^+$ ,  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$
  - Neuronal ( $\text{N}_\text{N}$ ) and muscle ( $\text{N}_\text{M}$ ) type
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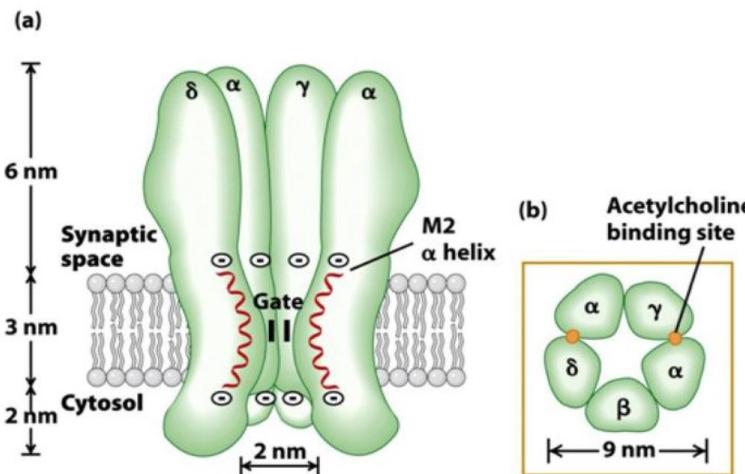




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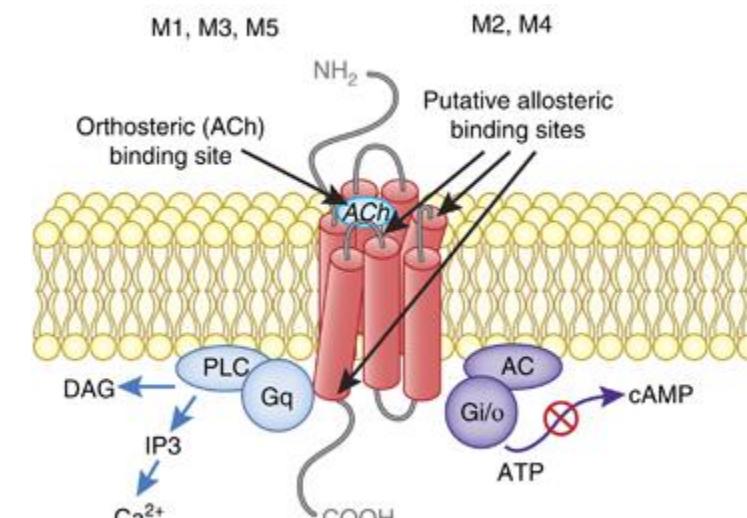
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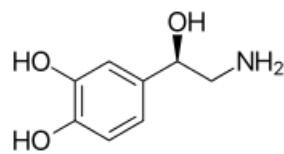
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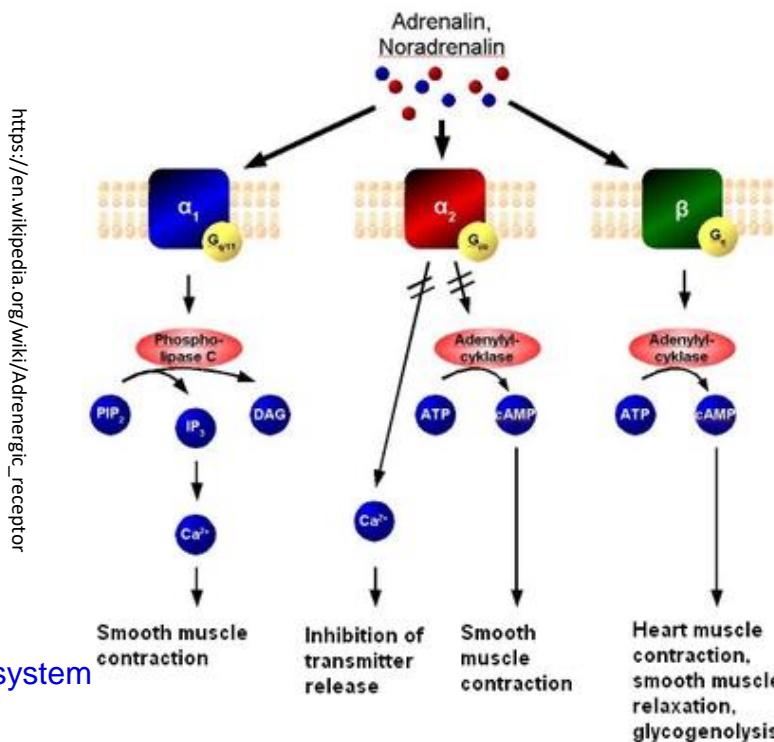
- Parasympathetic
- ✓ Muscarinic receptor
  - G-coupled
  - Excitatory
    - M1, M3, M5
  - Inhibitory
    - M2, M4



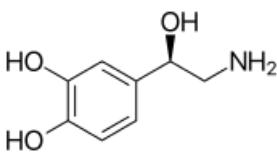


# Norepinephrine

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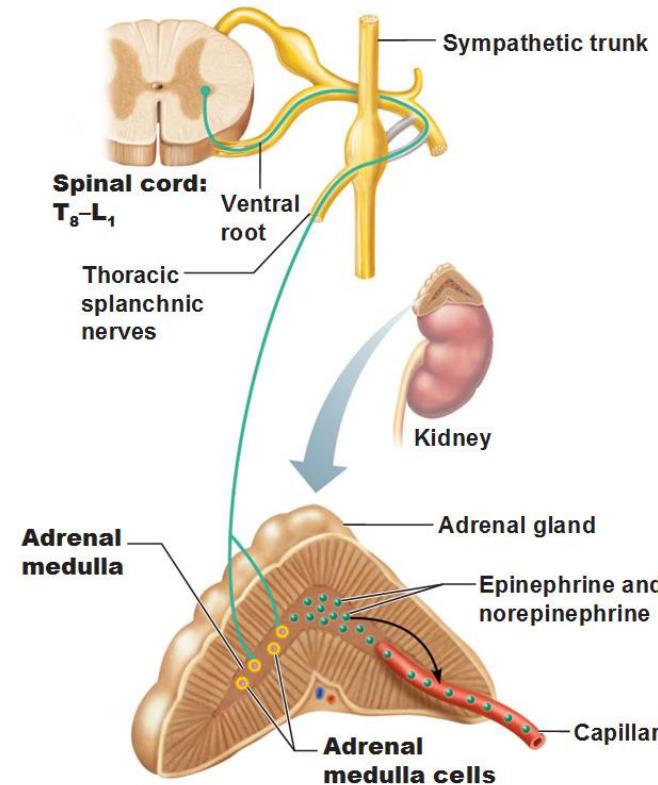
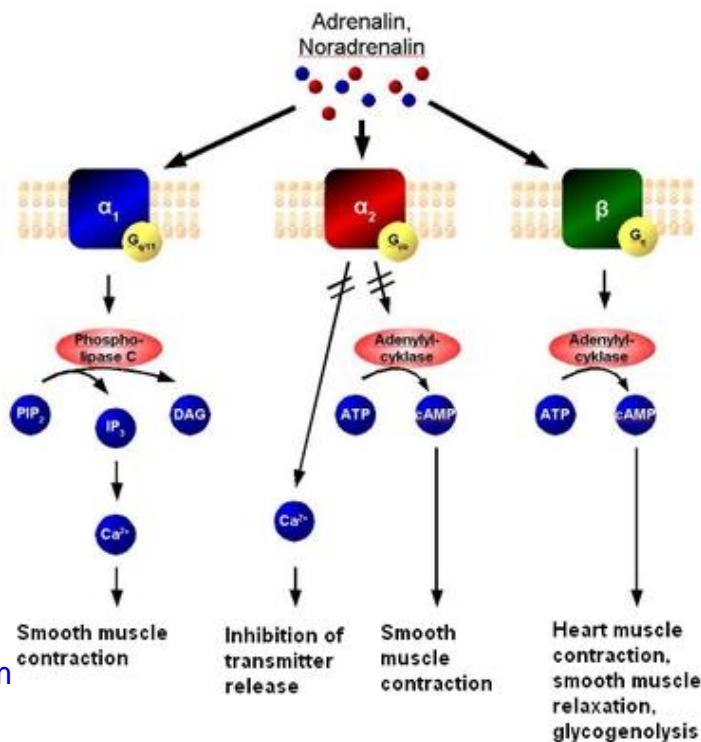
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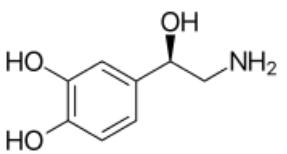
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- Adrenal medulla
  - Modified sympathetic ganglion
  - „Transmitters“ (stress hormones) secreted into the blood stream
    - Norepinephrine
    - Epinephrine

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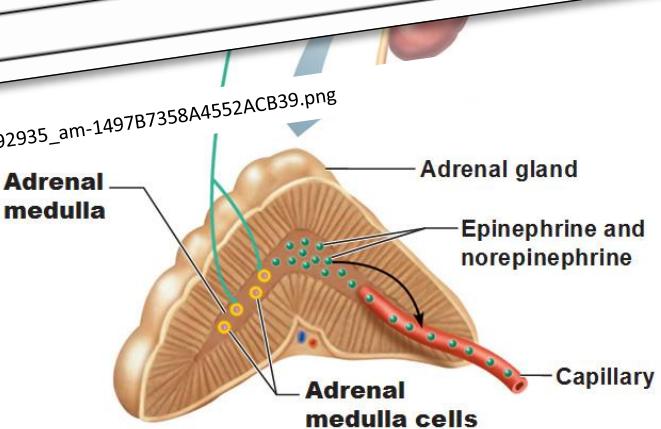
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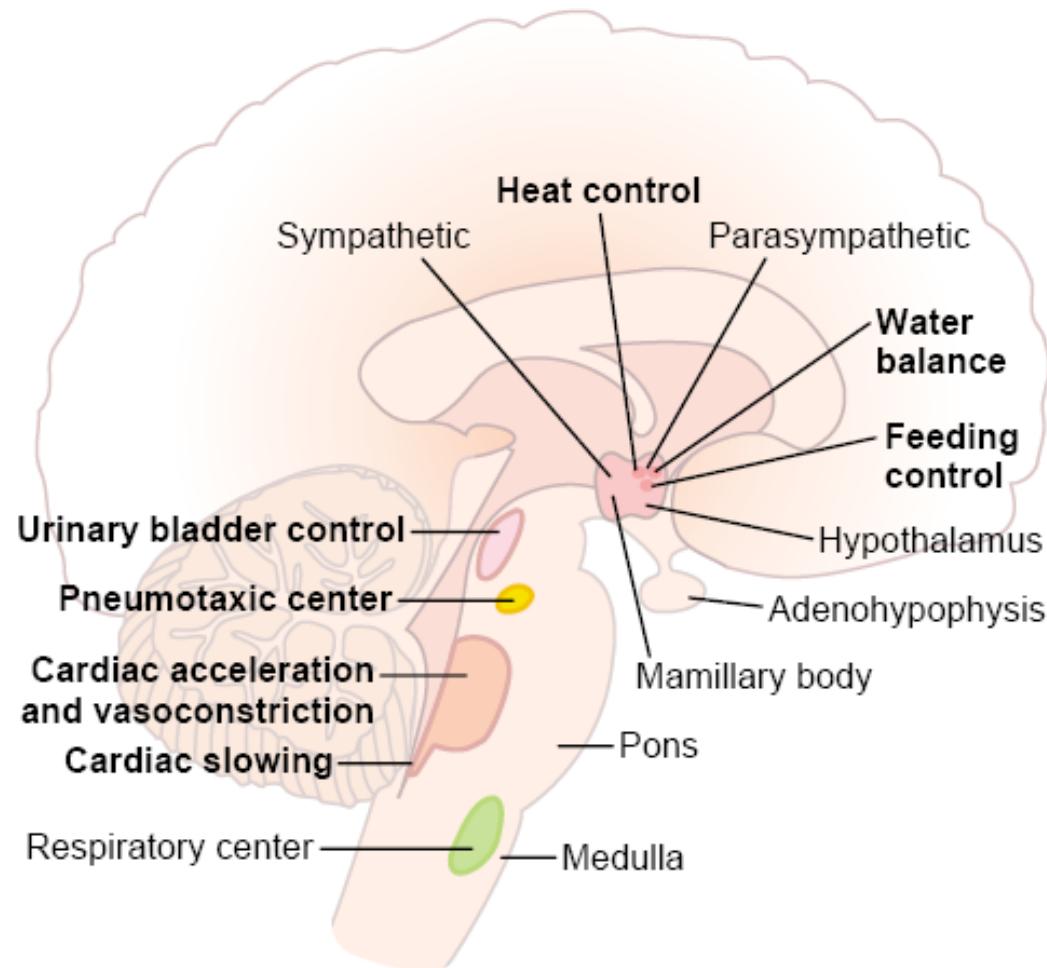
Receptor	G protein and effectors	Agonists	Tissue	Responses
Alpha <sub>1</sub>	Gq ↑ phospholipase C, IP3 and DAG, intracellular Ca <sup>2+</sup>	Epi ≥ NE >> Iso Phenylephrine	Vascular, GU smooth muscle Liver Intestinal smooth muscle Heart	Contraction Glycogenolysis; gluconeogenesis Hyperpolarization and relaxation Increased contractile force; arrhythmias
Alpha <sub>2</sub>	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 <sub>1</sub>	Gs ↑adenylyl cyclase, cAMP, L-type Ca <sup>2+</sup> channel opening	Iso > Epi = NE Dobutamine	Juxtaglomerular cells Heart	Increased renin secretion Increased force and rate of contraction and AV nodal conduction velocity
Beta <sub>2</sub>	Gs ↑adenylyl cyclase	Iso > Epi >> NE Terbutamine	Smooth muscle (vascular, bronchial, GI, GU) Skeletal muscle	Relaxation Glycogenolysis; uptake of K <sup>+</sup>
Beta <sub>3</sub>	Gs ↑adenylyl cyclase	Iso = NE > Epi	Adipose tissue	Lipolysis
Epi, epinephrine; NE, norepinephrine; Iso, isoproterenol				

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Smooth muscle contraction  
Inhibition of transmitter release  
Smooth muscle contraction  
Heart muscle contraction, smooth muscle relaxation, glycogenolysis

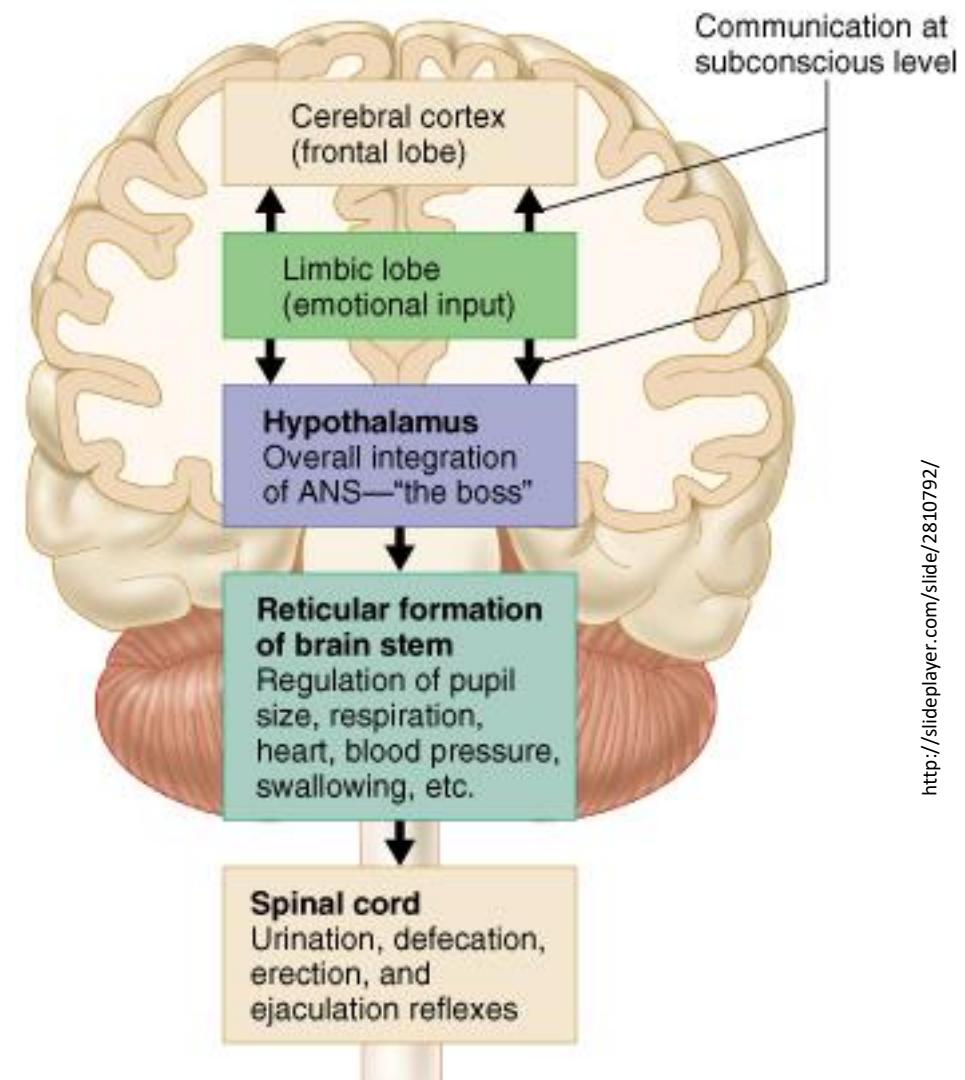


# Brain centers controlling autonomic nervous system



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



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# Hypothalamus

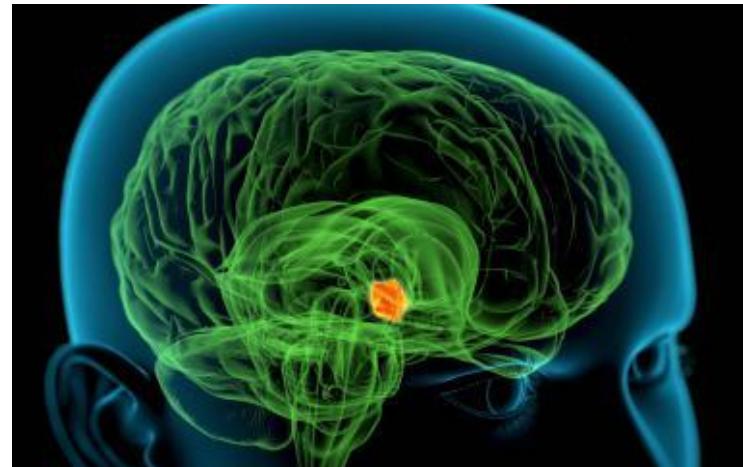
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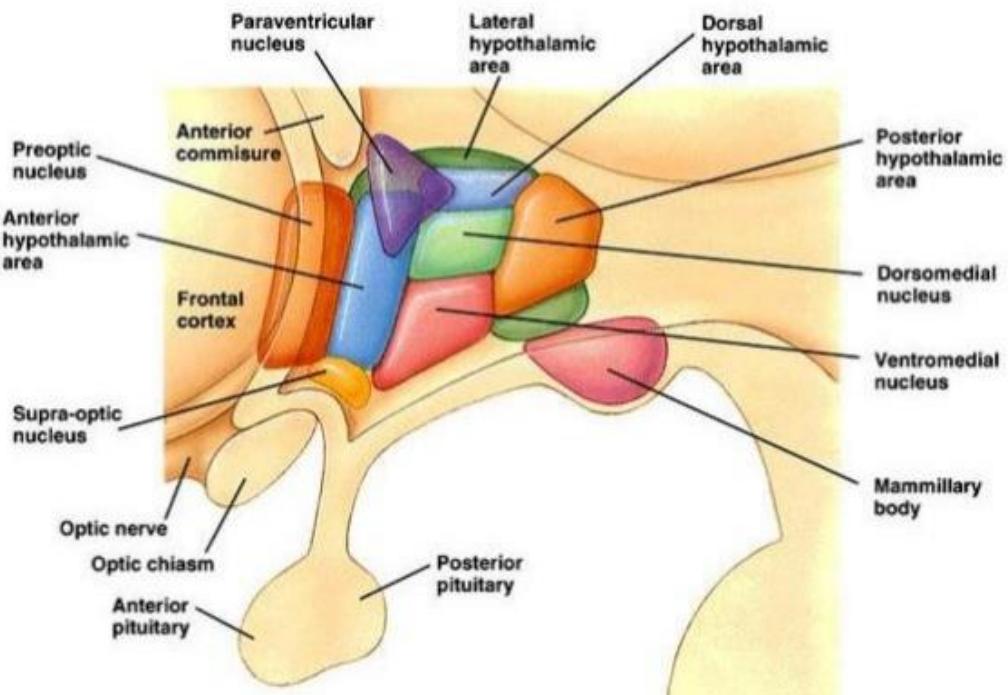
- Behavioral modulation
- Regulation of autonomic nervous system



- **Maintenance of homeostasis**



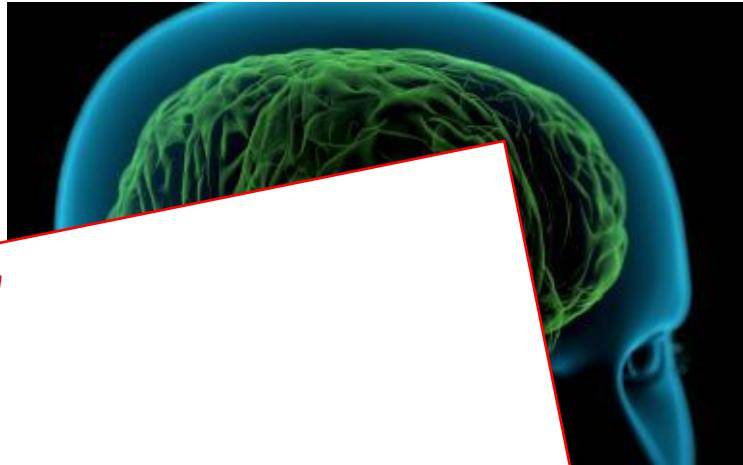
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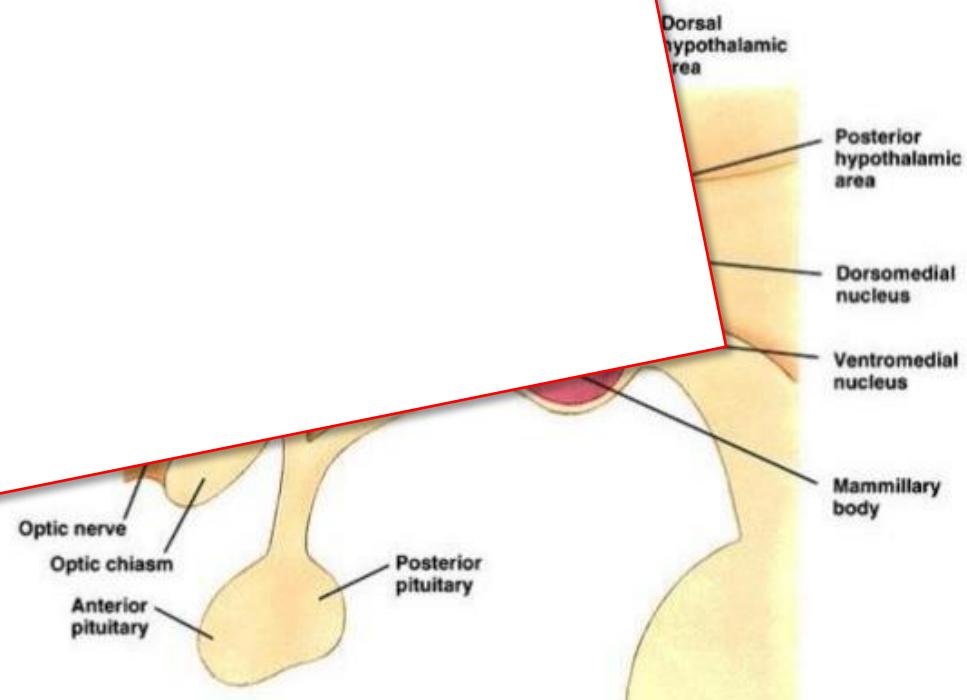
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- Integration of the information from inner environment ✓ **Biological clock – circadian /seasonal activity**
- Behavioral regulation
- Regulatory control of the nervous system
- Maintenance of homeostasis

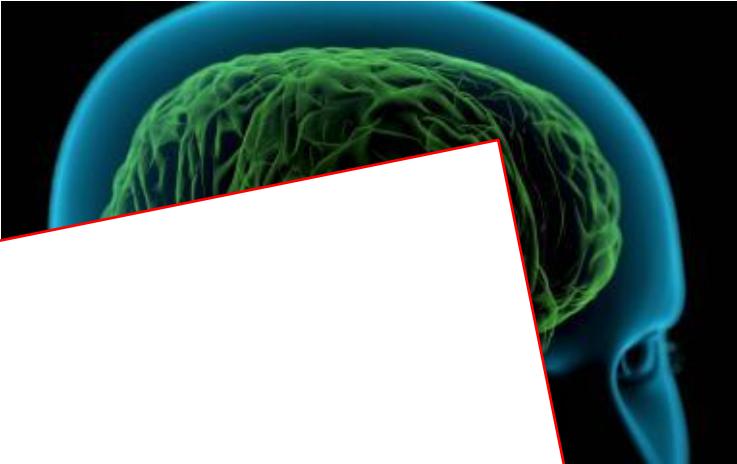


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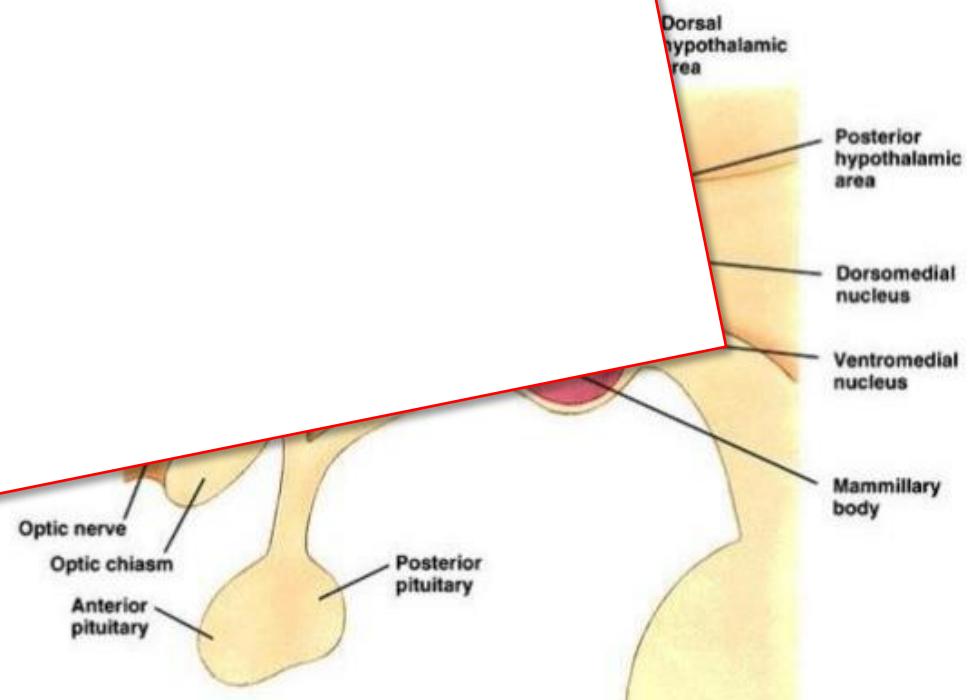


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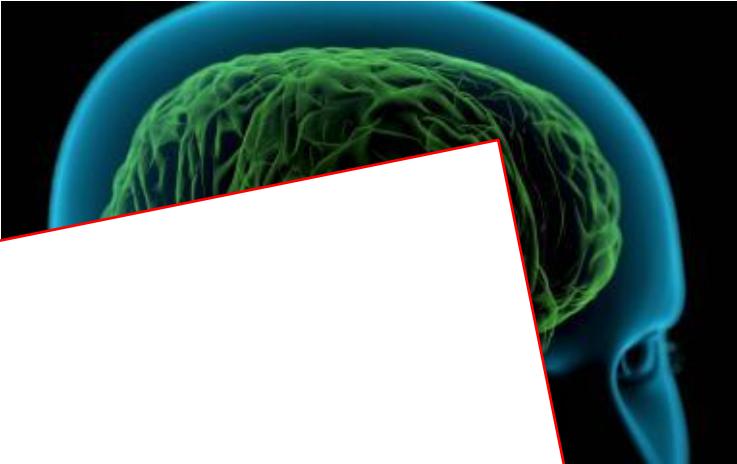
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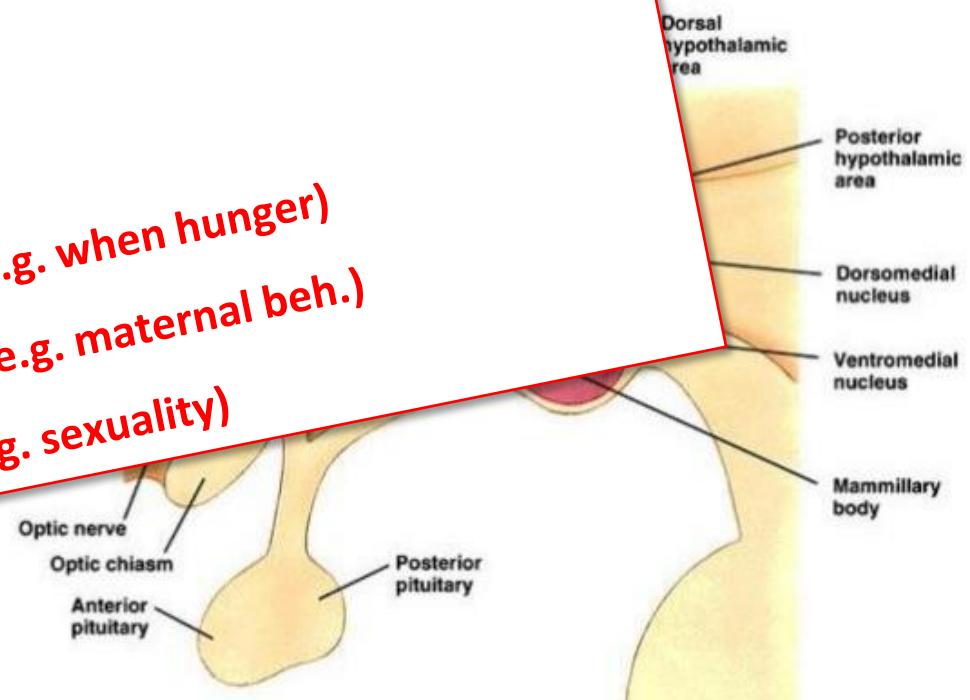
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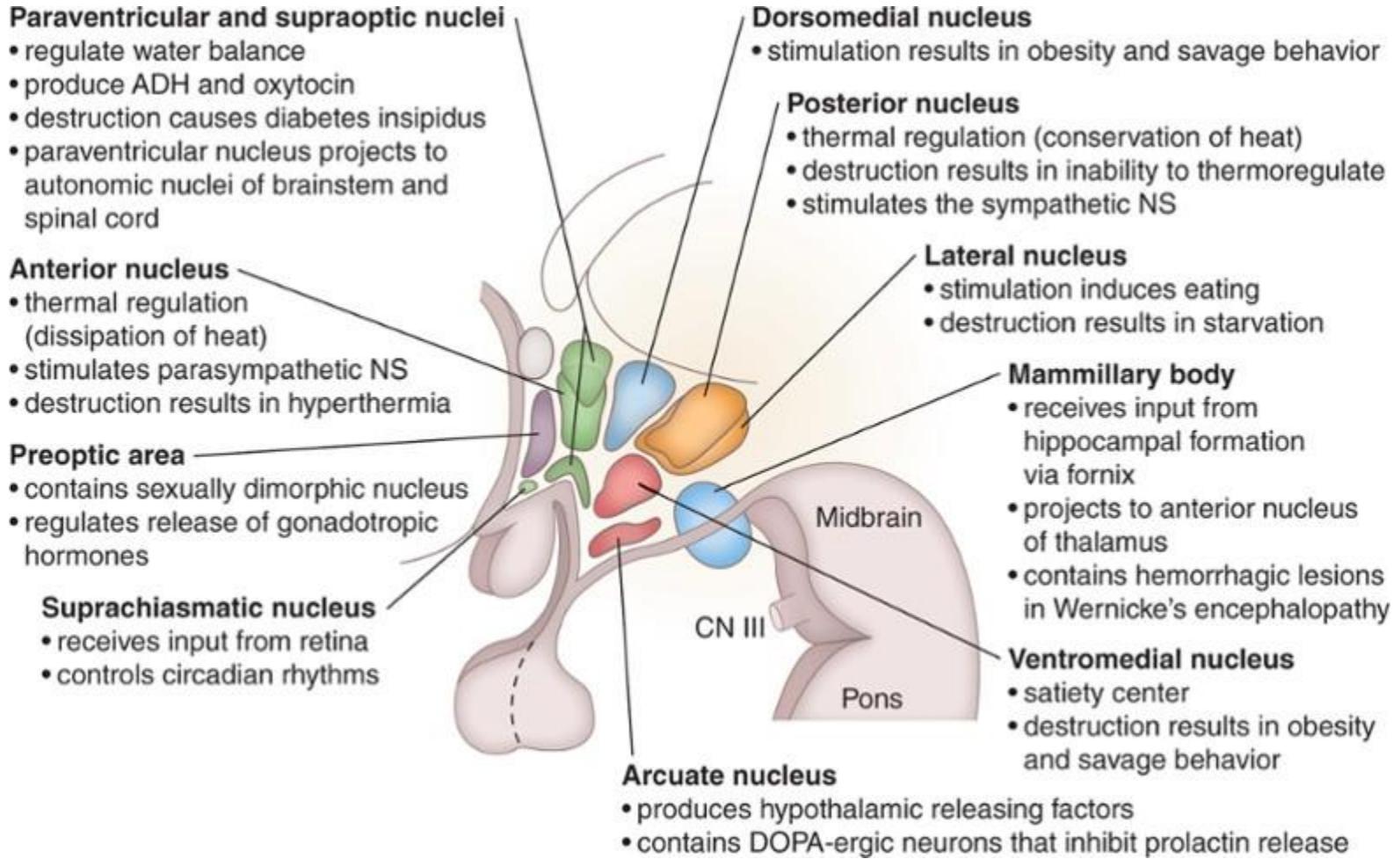


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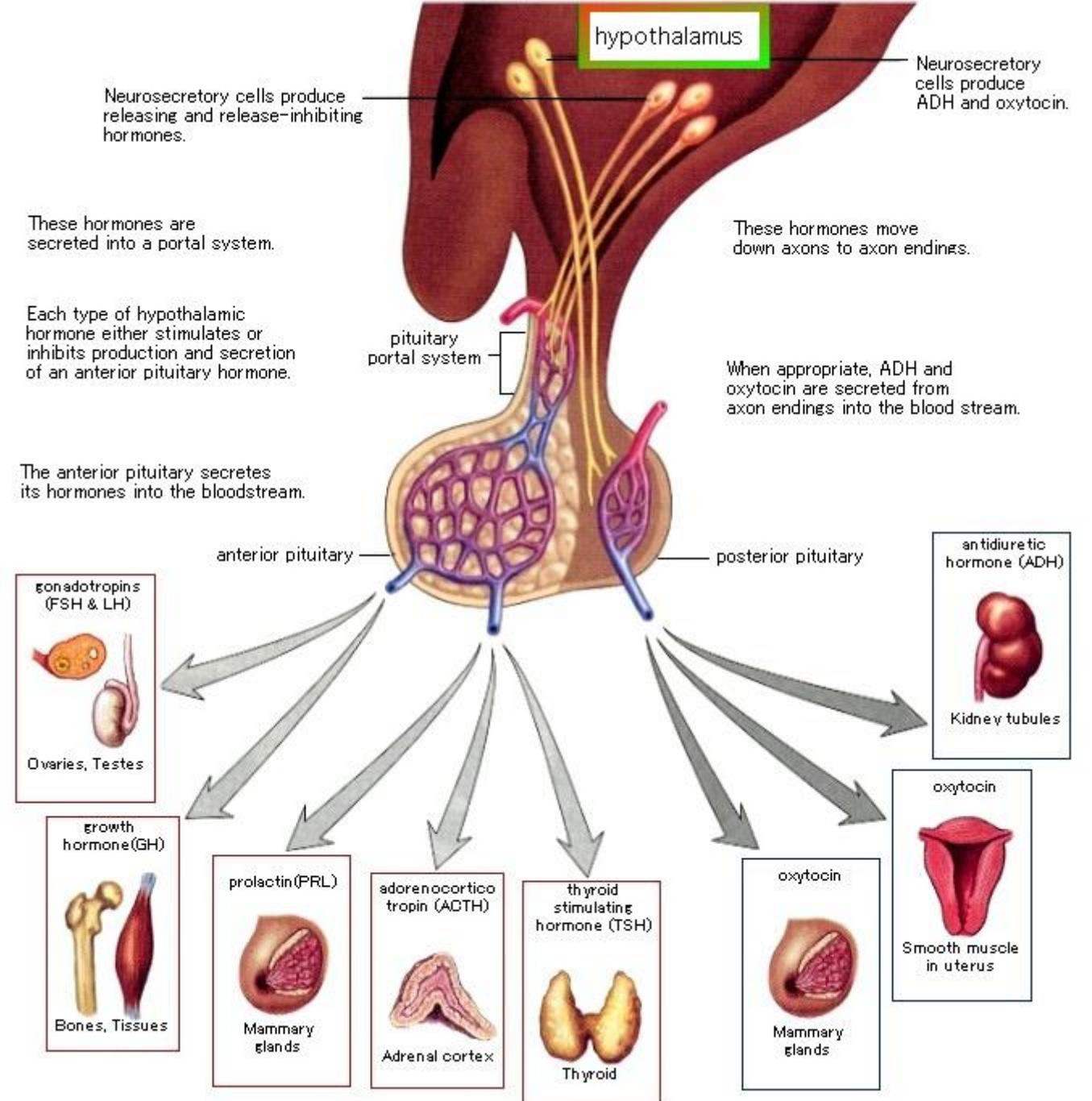


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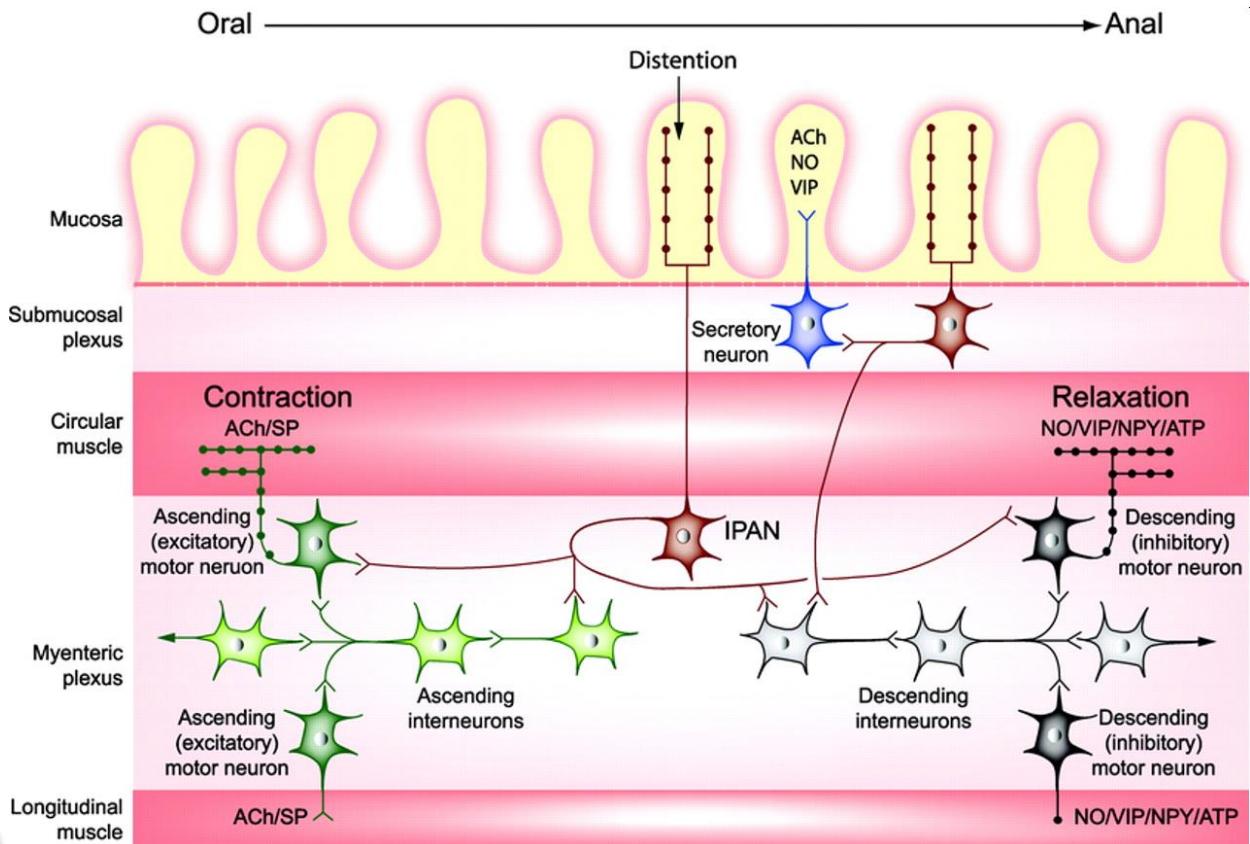


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# Enteric nervous system

- 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“



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# Enteric nervous system

- Autonomy
  - Control of motility
  - Control of secretion
  - Control of blood flow
- Autonomic nervous system
  - Whole GIT regulation
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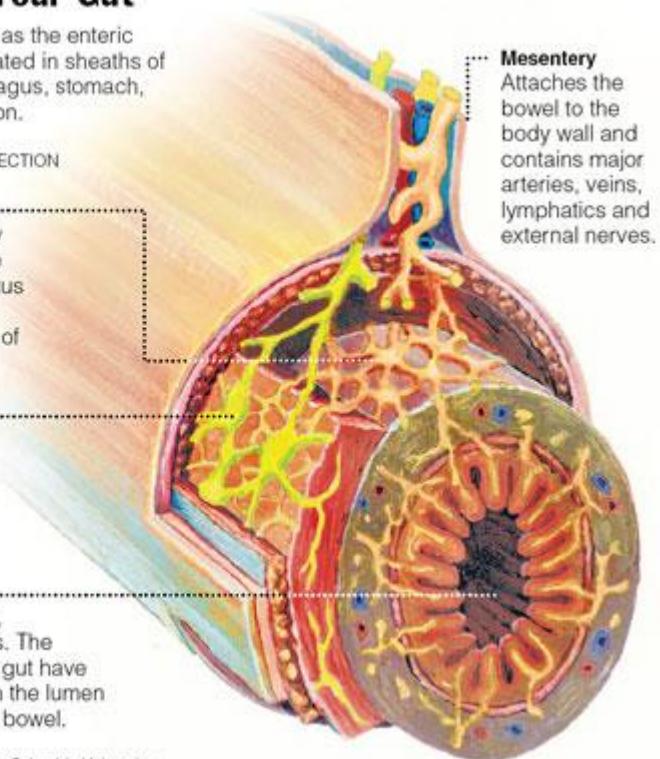
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**Submucosal plexus** .....  
Layer contains sensory cells that communicate with the myenteric plexus and motor fibers that stimulate the secretion of fluids into the lumen.

**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.

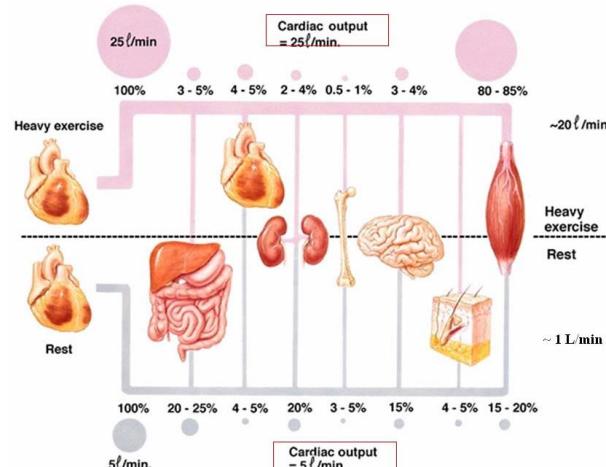
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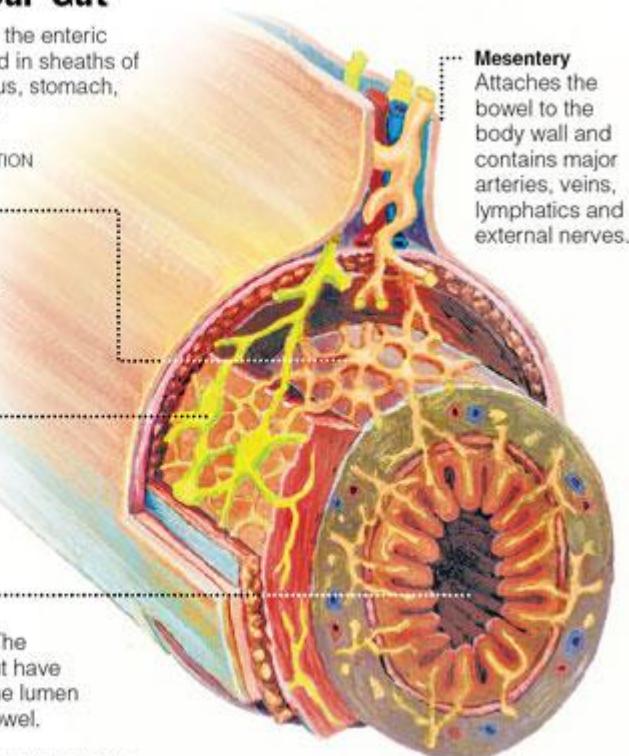
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SMALL INTESTINE CROSS SECTION

**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.

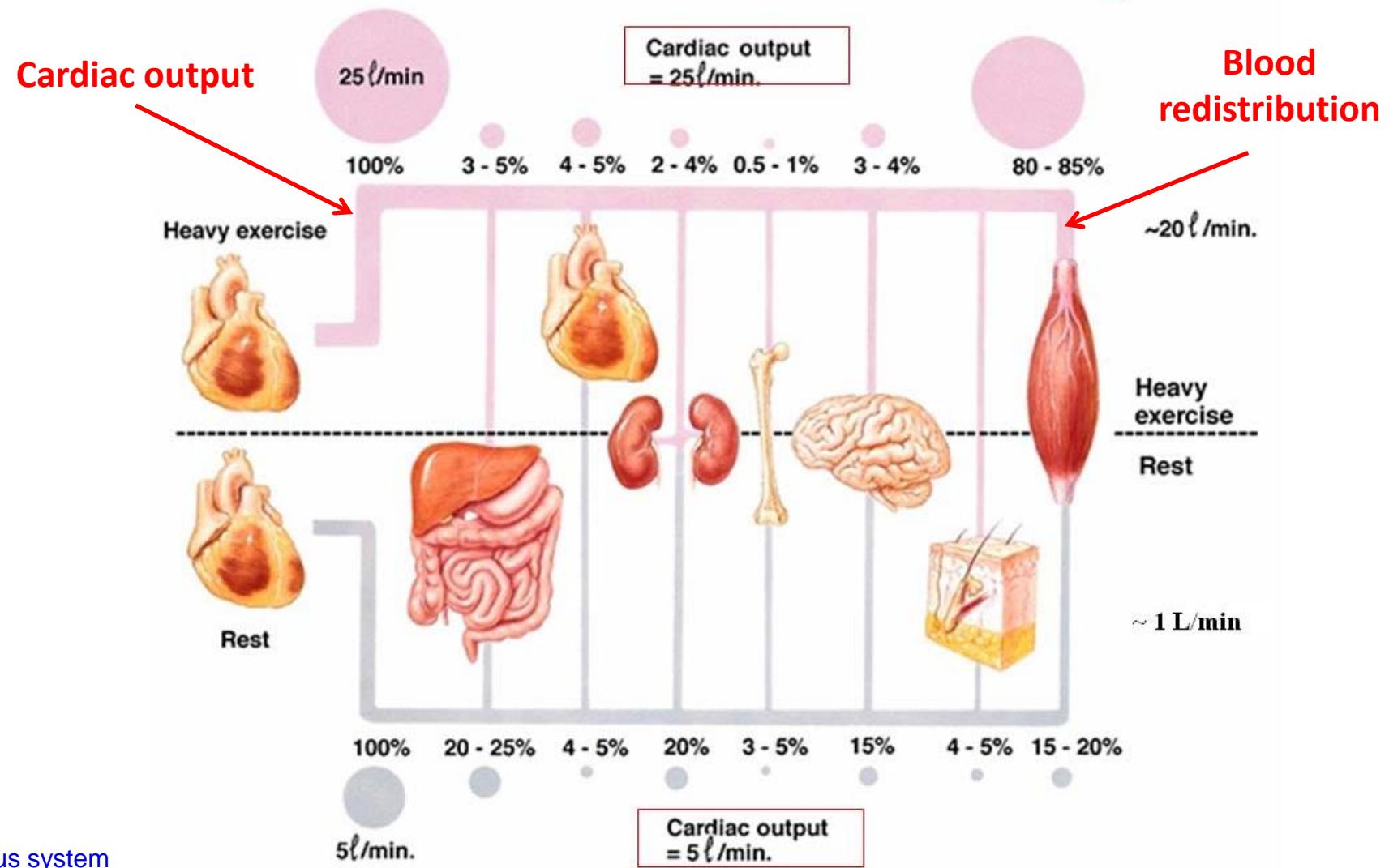
**Lumen** No nerves actually enter this area, where digestion occurs. The brains in the head and gut have to monitor conditions in the lumen across the lining of the bowel.



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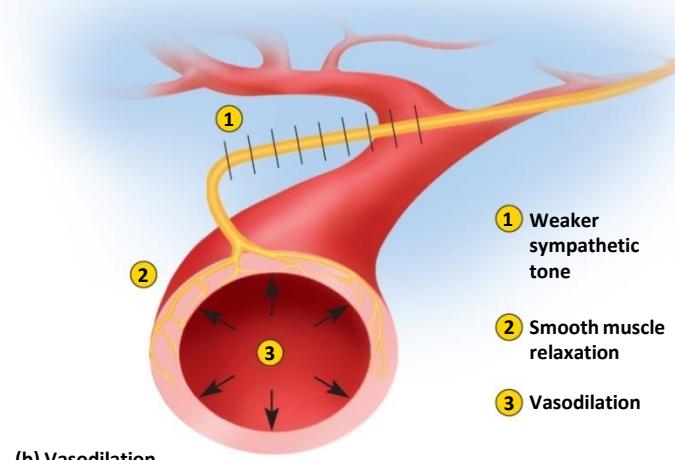
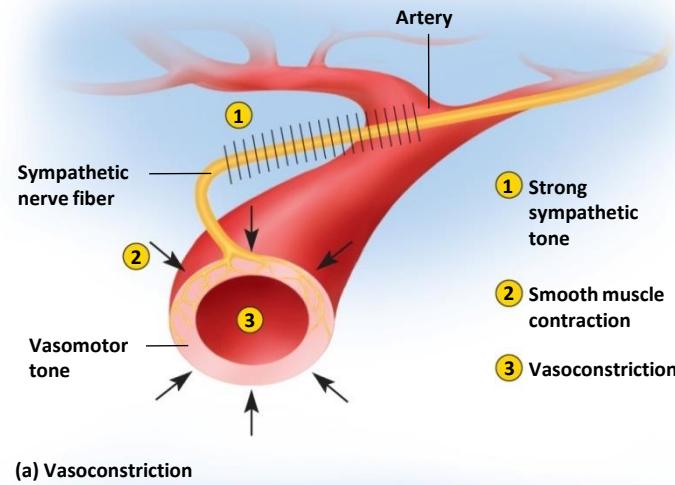
# ANS and cardiovascular system



# ANS and cardiovascular system

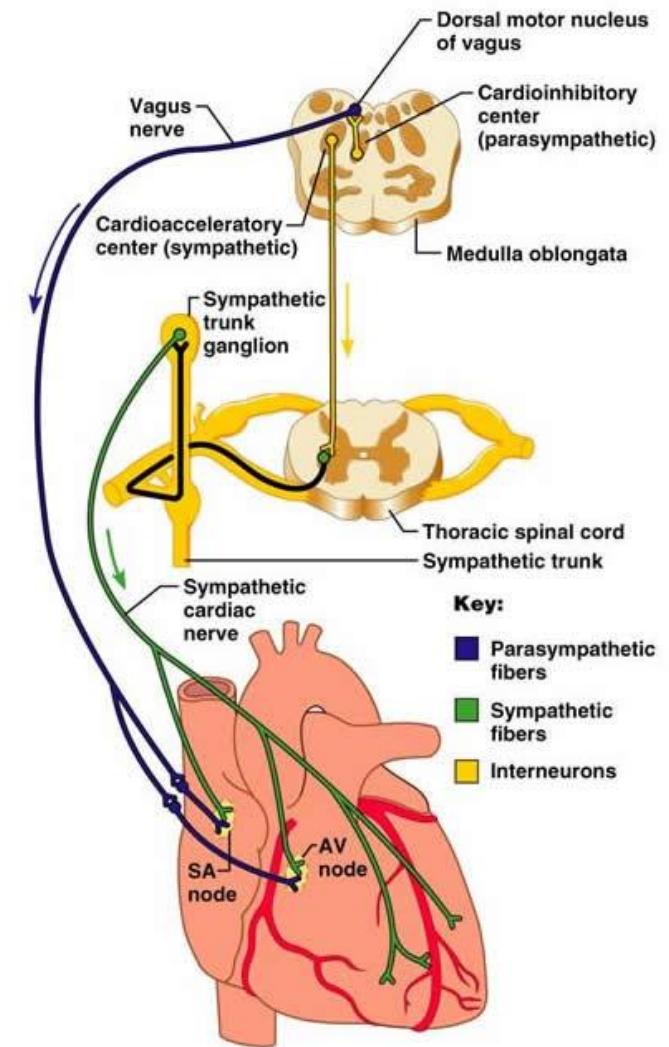
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- Local regulatory mechanisms play major role in vasoreactivity
- Sympathetic regulation
  - Skin vessels contraction
  - Muscle vessels dilatation
- Parasympathetic regulation
  - GIT vessels dilation

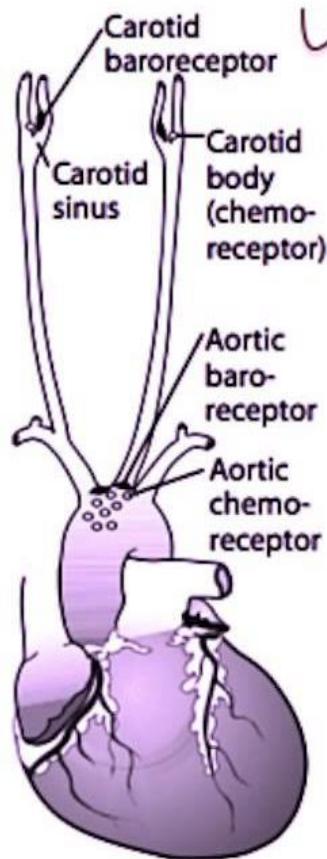


# ANS and cardiovascular system

- 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).

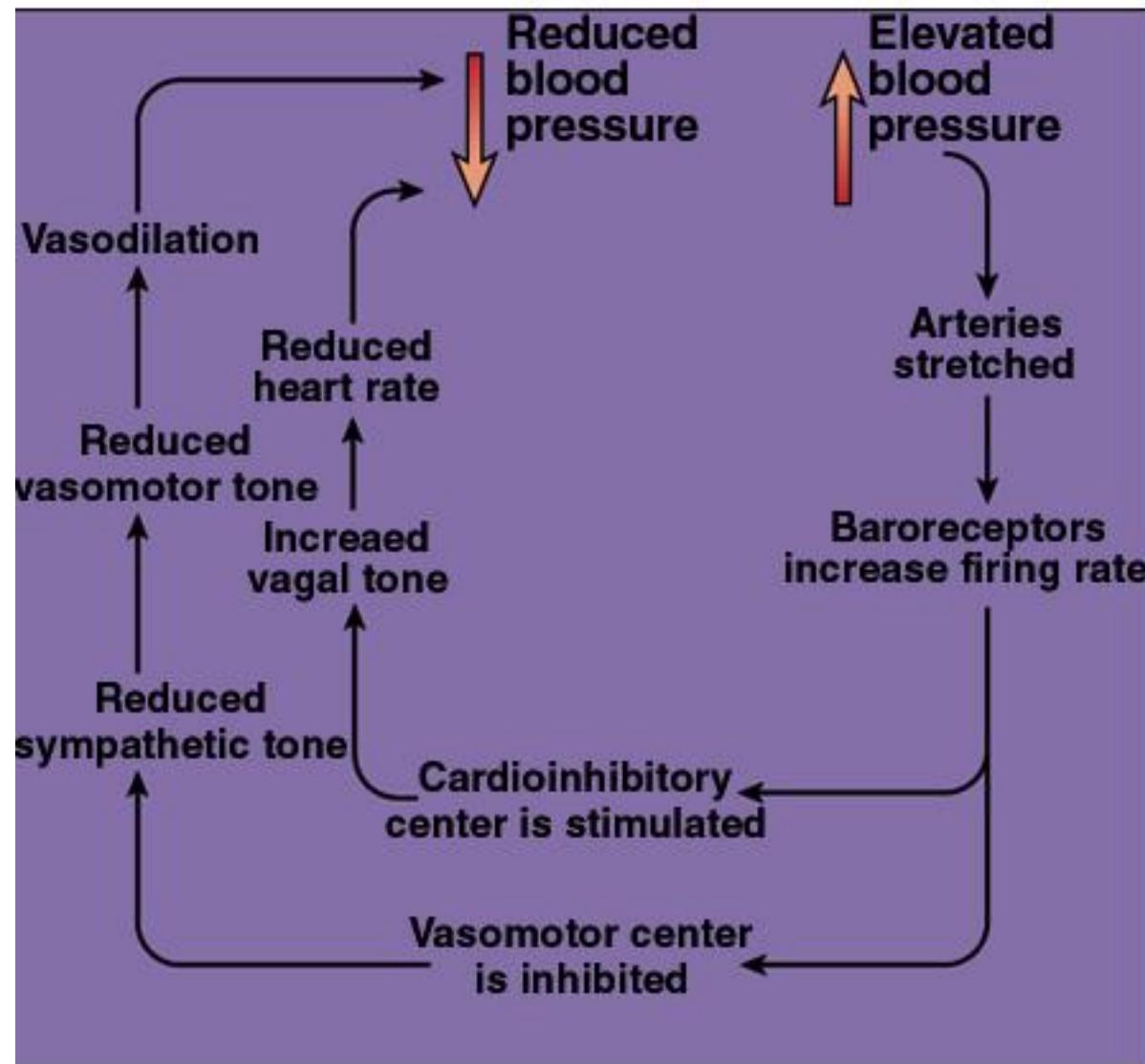
## Baroreceptors:

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:

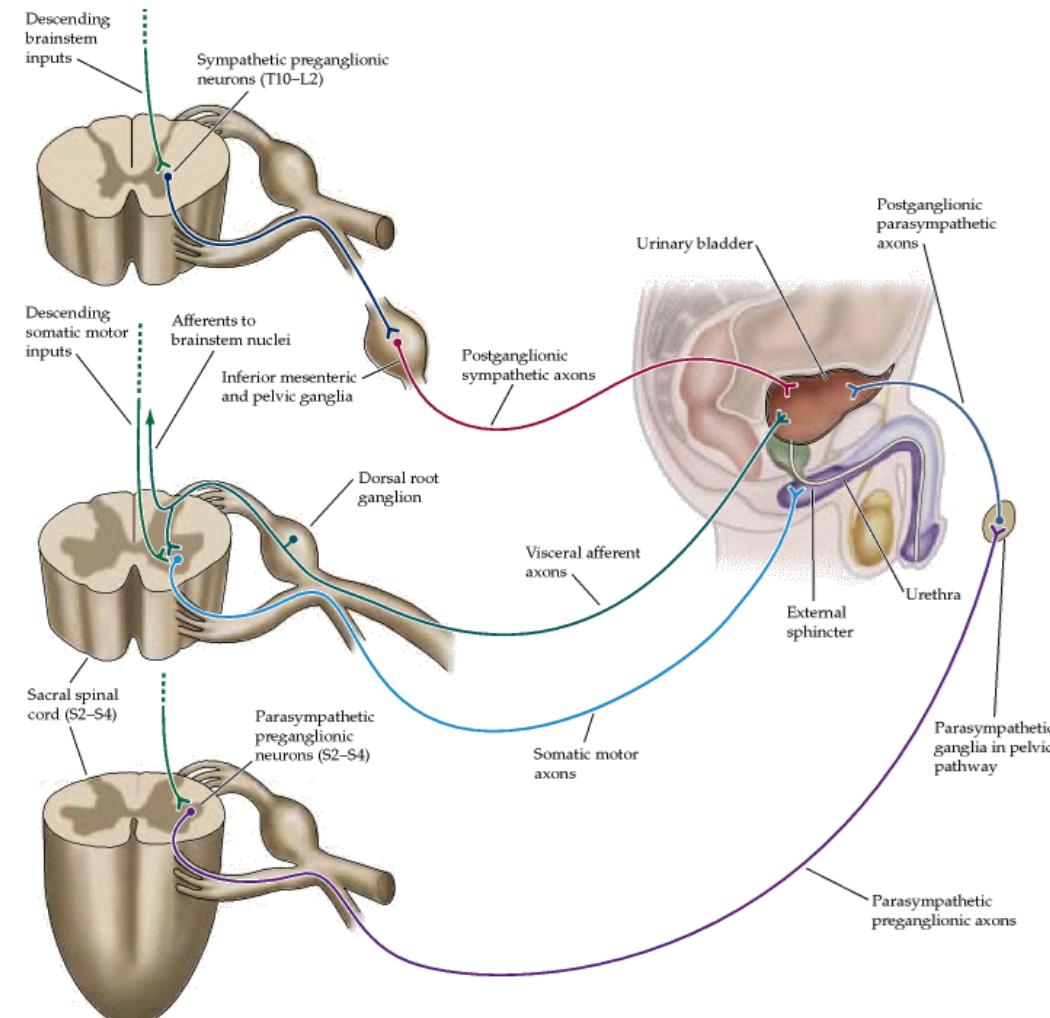
1. Peripheral — carotid and aortic bodies respond to ↓  $Po_2$  (< 60 mmHg), ↑  $PCO_2$ , and ↓ pH of blood.
2. Central — respond to changes in pH and  $PCO_2$  of brain interstitial fluid, which in turn are influenced by arterial  $CO_2$ . Do not directly respond to  $Po_2$ . Responsible for Cushing reaction — ↑ intracranial pressure constricts arterioles → cerebral ischemia → hypertension (sympathetic response) → reflex bradycardia. Note: Cushing triad = hypertension, bradycardia, respiratory depression.

# Baroreflex



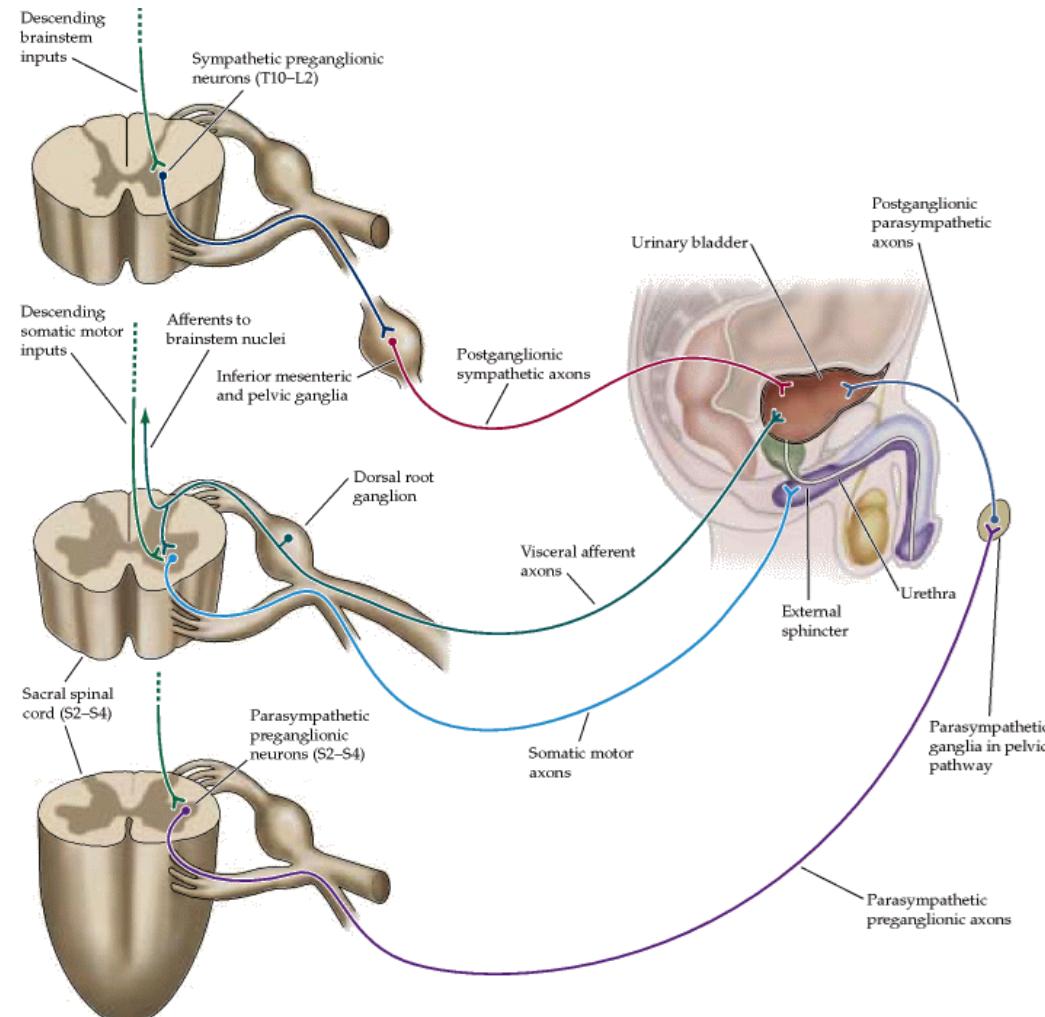
# ANS and urinary bladder

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



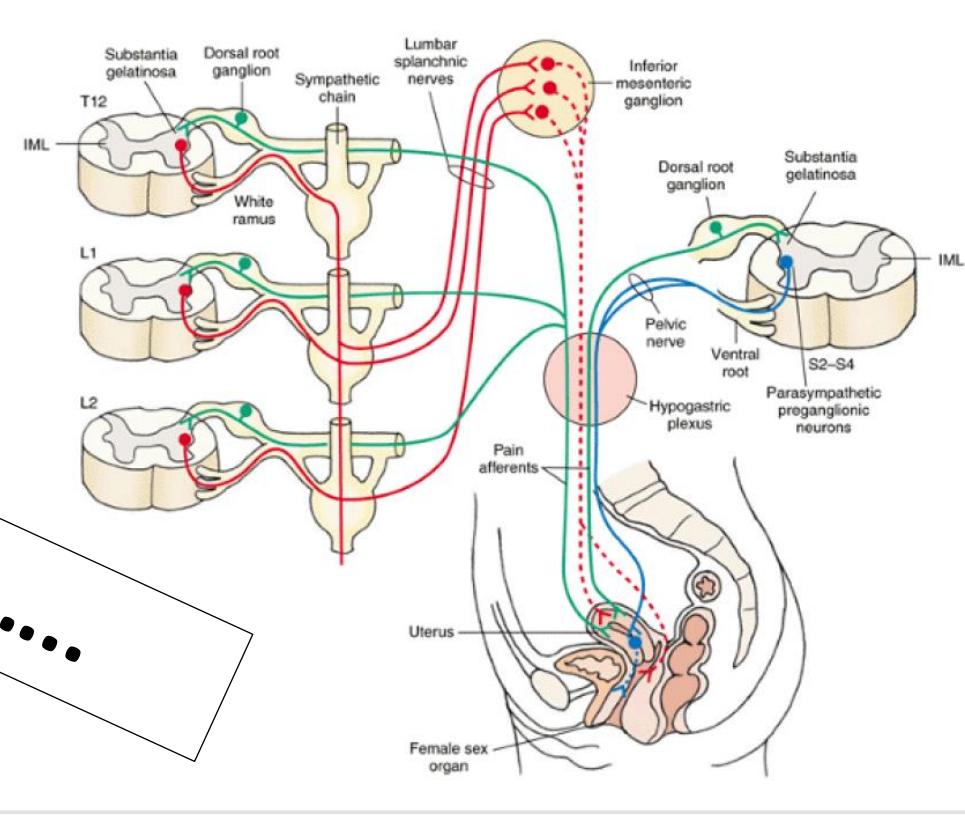
# ANS and male reproductive system

- 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.

## 82. The basic division and functions of autonomic nervous system

- Definition of autonomic nervous system
- Somatic and autonomic nervous system comparison (function, synapse reflex circuit...)
- Comparison of sympathetic and parasympathetic division
- Basic characteristics of neurotransmitter and receptor systems (description of autonomic innervation of particular systems is covered in each organ system separately)
- Examples of brain centers controlling the autonomic nervous system (both in hypothalamus, brain stem...)
- Pupillary light reflex
- Role of hypothalamus in essential regulations
- Brief characterization of enteric nervous system and its specifics

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