

# Chapter 42

## Circulation and Gas Exchange

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# Overview: Trading Places

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- Every organism must exchange materials with its environment
- Exchanges ultimately occur at the cellular level
- In unicellular organisms, these exchanges occur directly with the environment

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- For most cells making up multicellular organisms, direct exchange with the environment is not possible
  - Gills are an example of a specialized exchange system in animals
  - Internal transport and gas exchange are functionally related in most animals

Fig. 42-1



## **Concept 42.1: Circulatory systems link exchange surfaces with cells throughout the body**

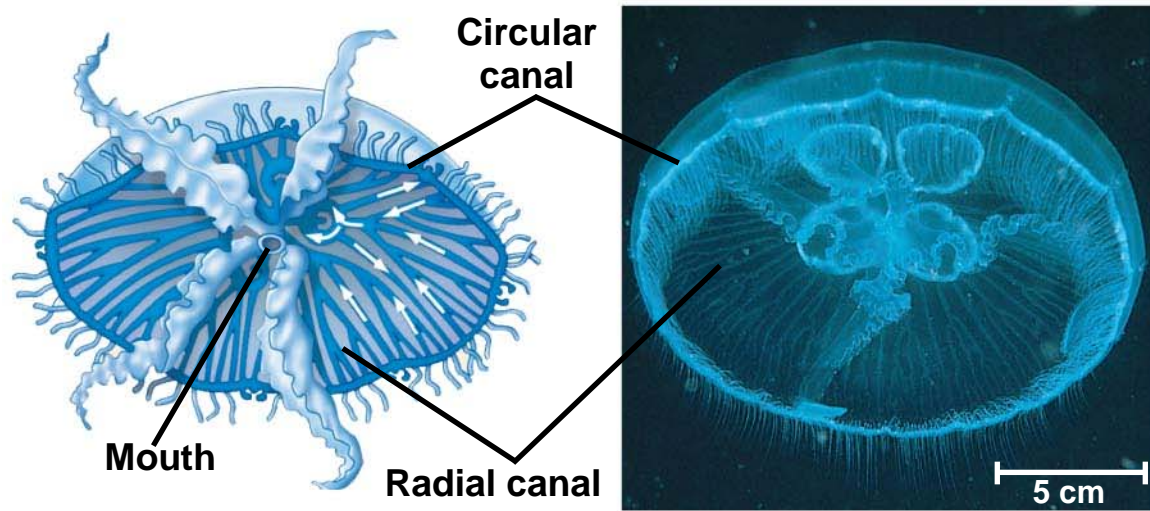
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- In small and/or thin animals, cells can exchange materials directly with the surrounding medium
- In most animals, transport systems connect the organs of exchange with the body cells
- Most complex animals have internal transport systems that circulate fluid

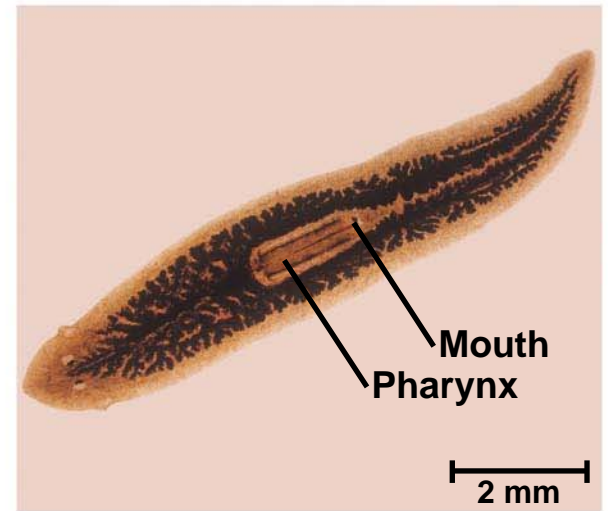
# Gastrovascular Cavities

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- Simple animals, such as cnidarians, have a body wall that is only two cells thick and that encloses a gastrovascular cavity
- This cavity functions in both digestion and distribution of substances throughout the body
- Some cnidarians, such as jellies, have elaborate gastrovascular cavities
- Flatworms have a gastrovascular cavity and a large surface area to volume ratio

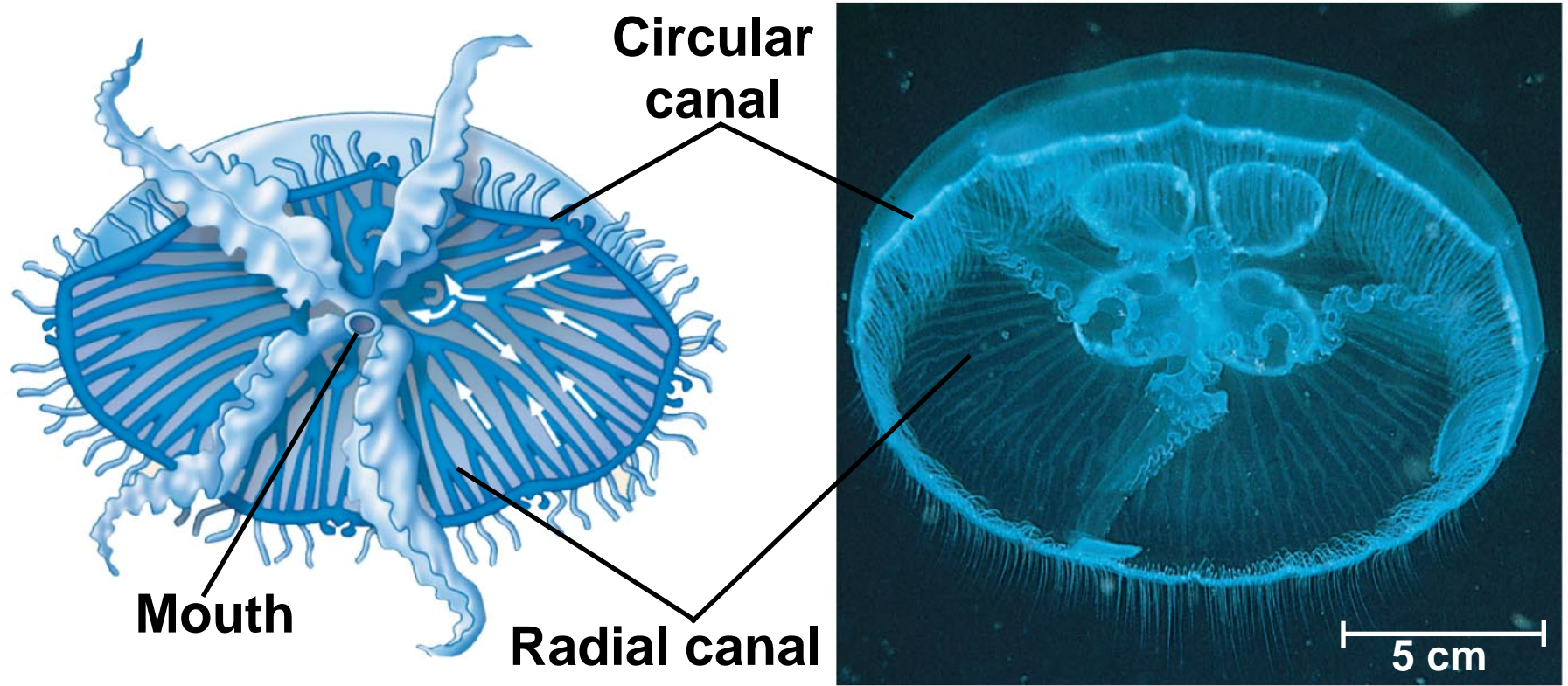


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(b) The planarian *Dugesia*, a flatworm

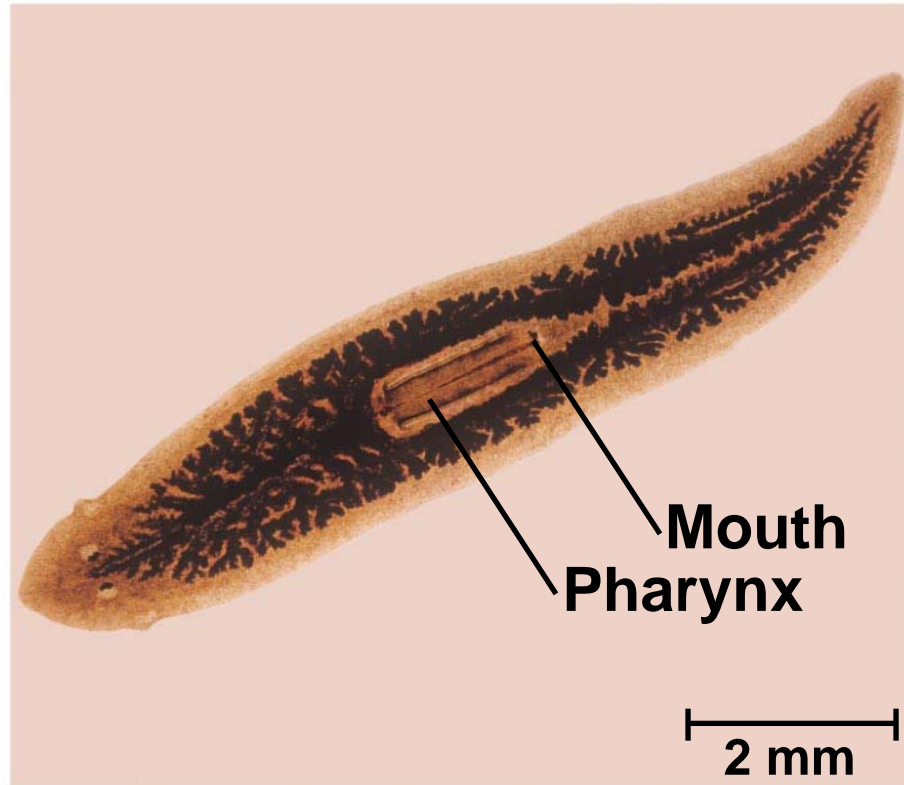
Fig. 42-2a



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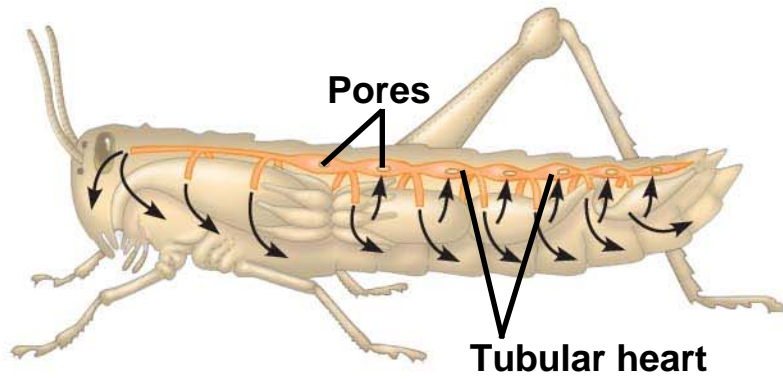
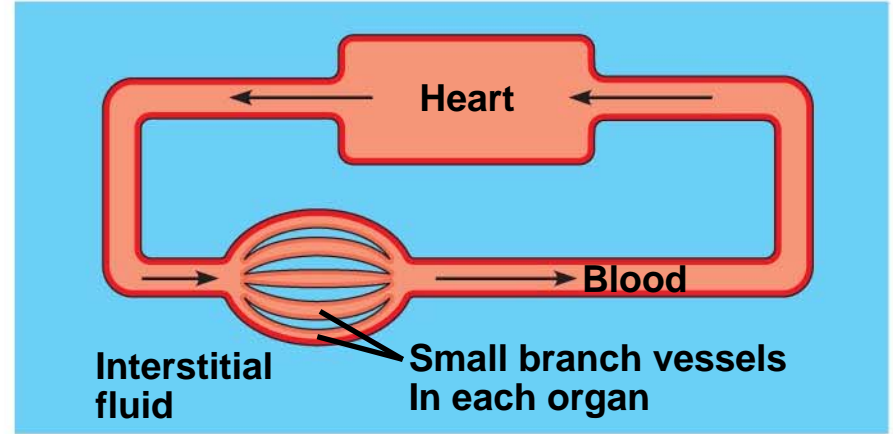
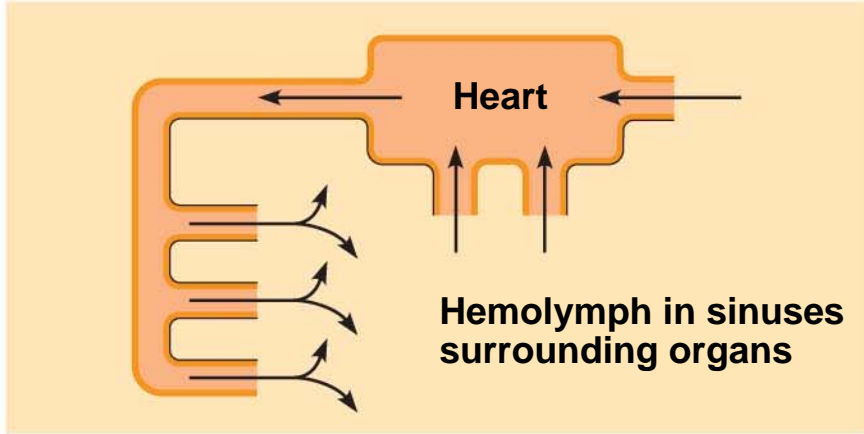
# Open and Closed Circulatory Systems

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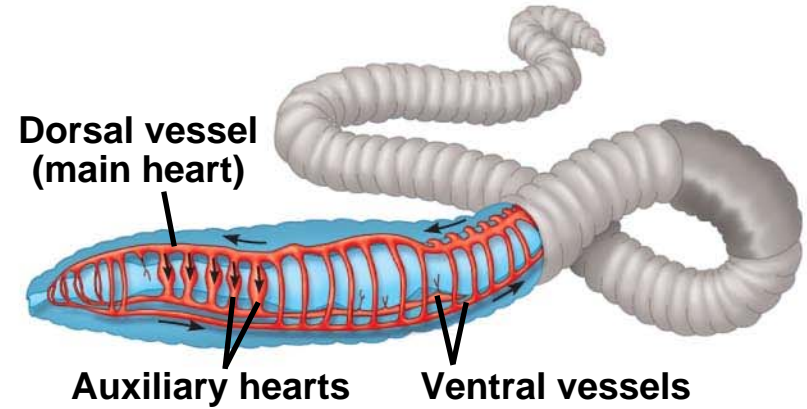
- More complex animals have either open or closed circulatory systems
- Both systems have three basic components:
  - A circulatory fluid (blood or hemolymph)
  - A set of tubes (blood vessels)
  - A muscular pump (the **heart**)

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- In insects, other arthropods, and most molluscs, blood bathes the organs directly in an **open circulatory system**
  - In an open circulatory system, there is no distinction between blood and interstitial fluid, and this general body fluid is more correctly called **hemolymph**

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- In a **closed circulatory system**, blood is confined to vessels and is distinct from the interstitial fluid
  - Closed systems are more efficient at transporting circulatory fluids to tissues and cells



(a) An open circulatory system



(b) A closed circulatory system

# Organization of Vertebrate Circulatory Systems

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- Humans and other vertebrates have a closed circulatory system, often called the **cardiovascular system**
- The three main types of blood vessels are arteries, veins, and capillaries

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- **Arteries** branch into **arterioles** and carry blood to **capillaries**
  - Networks of capillaries called **capillary beds** are the sites of chemical exchange between the blood and interstitial fluid
  - **Venules** converge into **veins** and return blood from capillaries to the heart

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- Vertebrate hearts contain two or more chambers
  - Blood enters through an **atrium** and is pumped out through a **ventricle**

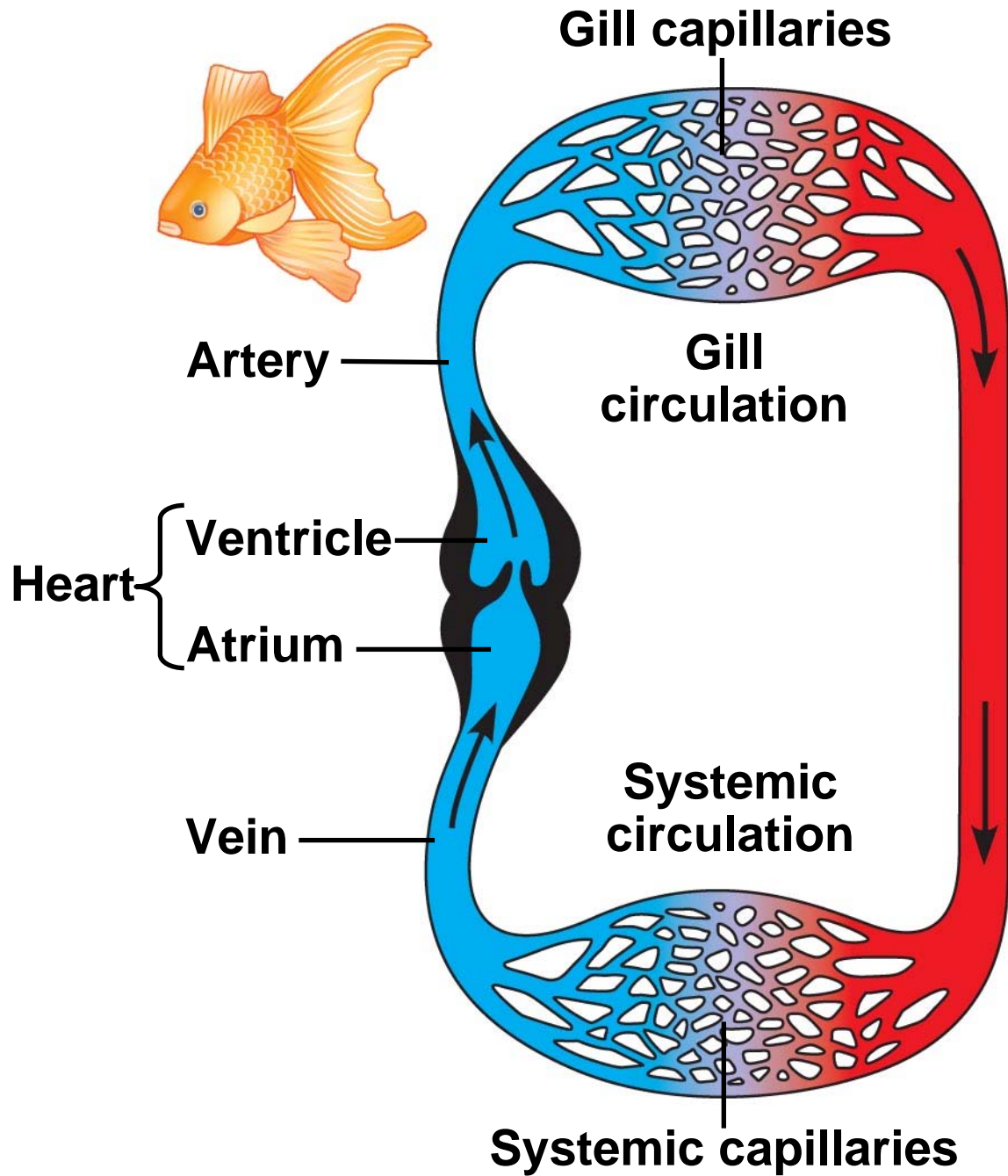


# *Single Circulation*

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- Bony fishes, rays, and sharks have **single circulation** with a two-chambered heart
- In single circulation, blood leaving the heart passes through two capillary beds before returning

Fig. 42-4

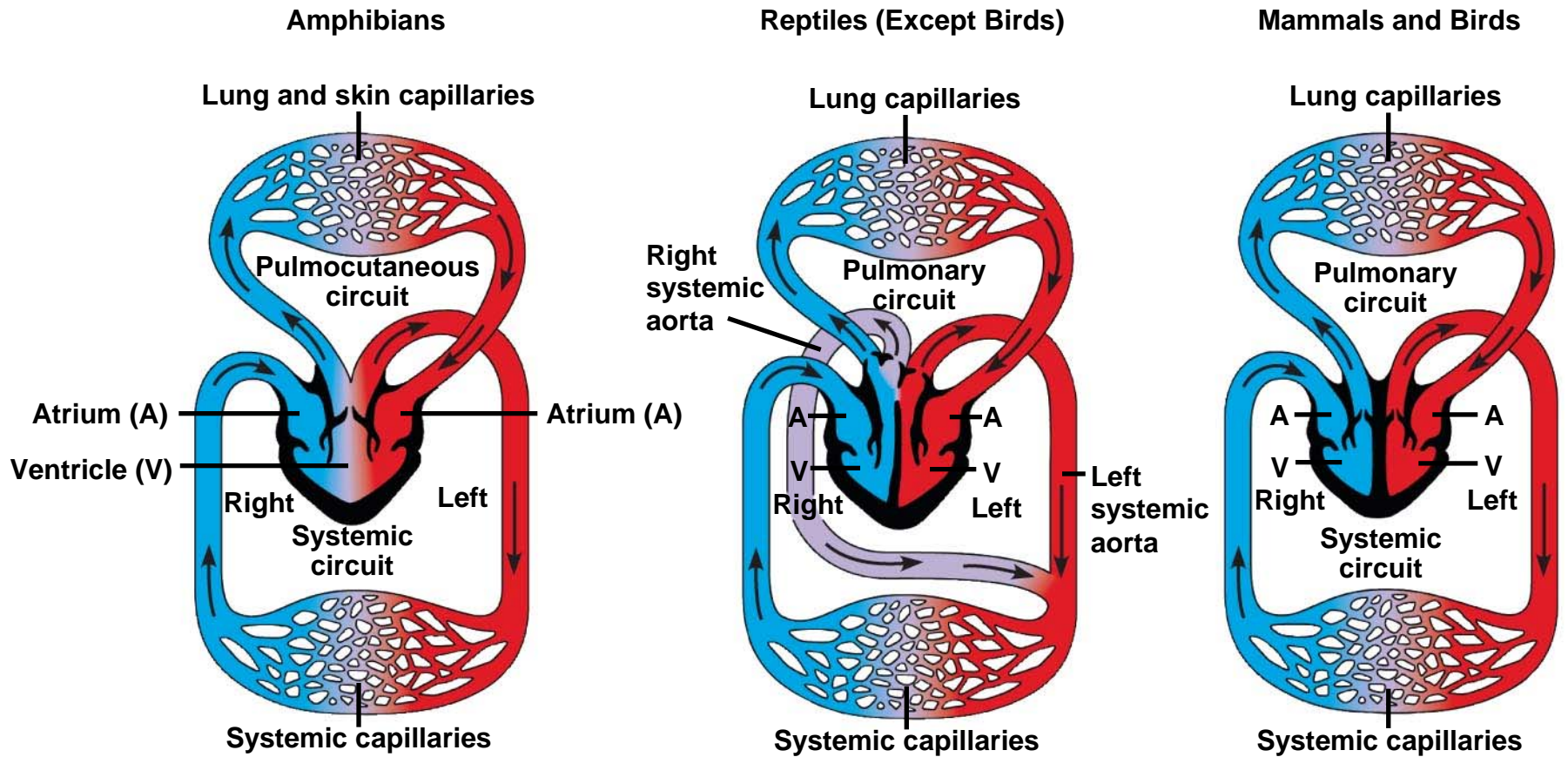


# *Double Circulation*

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- Amphibian, reptiles, and mammals have **double circulation**
- Oxygen-poor and oxygen-rich blood are pumped separately from the right and left sides of the heart

Fig. 42-5



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- In reptiles and mammals, oxygen-poor blood flows through the **pulmonary circuit** to pick up oxygen through the lungs
  - In amphibians, oxygen-poor blood flows through a **pulmocutaneous circuit** to pick up oxygen through the lungs and skin
  - Oxygen-rich blood delivers oxygen through the **systemic circuit**
  - Double circulation maintains higher blood pressure in the organs than does single circulation

# *Adaptations of Double Circulatory Systems*

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- Hearts vary in different vertebrate groups

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# Amphibians

- Frogs and other amphibians have a three-chambered heart: two atria and one ventricle
- The ventricle pumps blood into a forked artery that splits the ventricle's output into the pulmocutaneous circuit and the systemic circuit
- Underwater, blood flow to the lungs is nearly shut off

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## Reptiles (Except Birds)

- Turtles, snakes, and lizards have a three-chambered heart: two atria and one ventricle
- In alligators, caimans, and other crocodilians a septum divides the ventricle
- Reptiles have double circulation, with a pulmonary circuit (lungs) and a systemic circuit



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## Mammals and Birds

- Mammals and birds have a four-chambered heart with two atria and two ventricles
- The left side of the heart pumps and receives only oxygen-rich blood, while the right side receives and pumps only oxygen-poor blood
- Mammals and birds are endotherms and require more O<sub>2</sub> than ectotherms

## **Concept 42.2: Coordinated cycles of heart contraction drive double circulation in mammals**

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- The mammalian cardiovascular system meets the body's continuous demand for O<sub>2</sub>

# Mammalian Circulation

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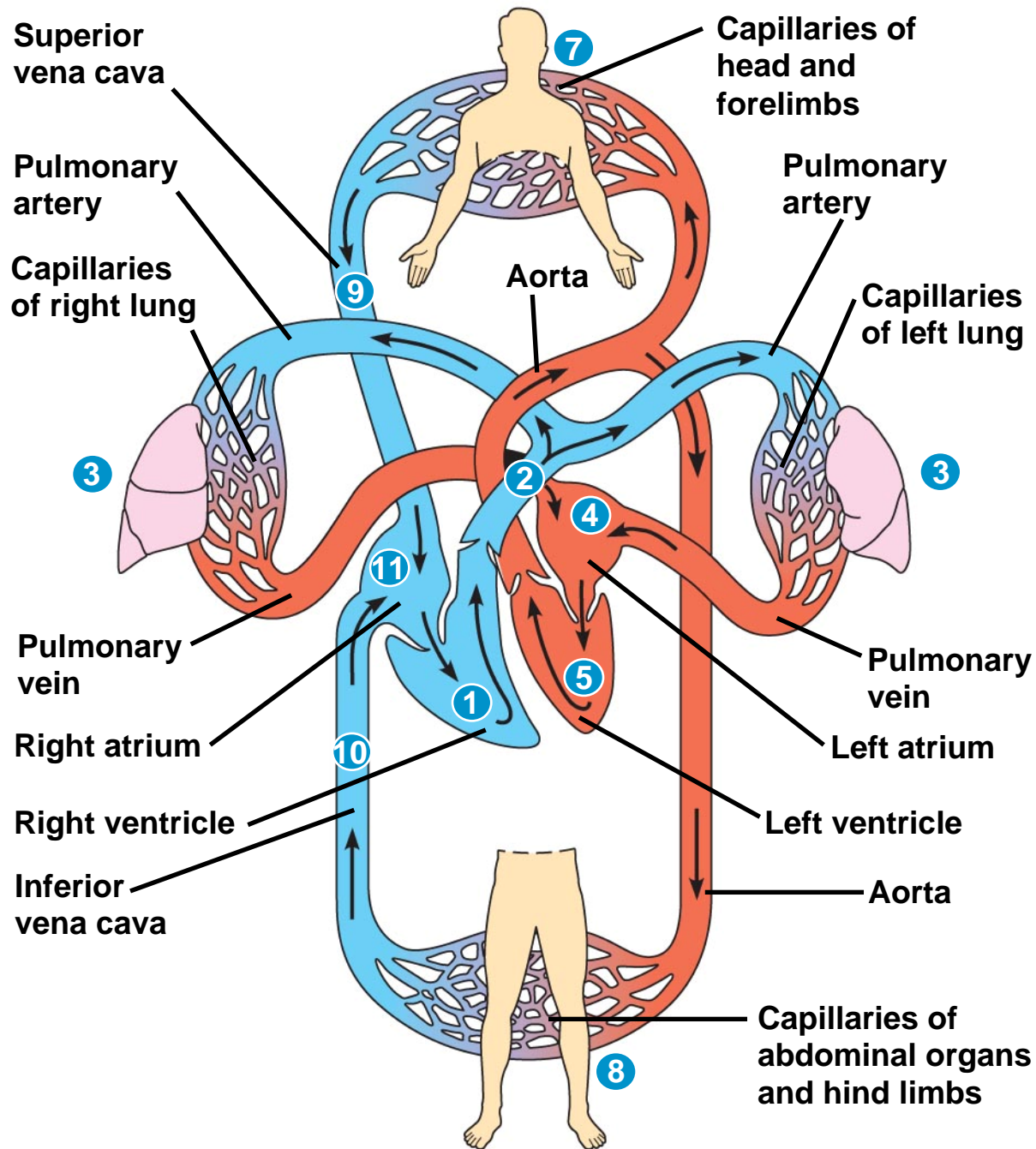
- Blood begins its flow with the right ventricle pumping blood to the lungs
- In the lungs, the blood loads  $O_2$  and unloads  $CO_2$
- Oxygen-rich blood from the lungs enters the heart at the left atrium and is pumped through the aorta to the body tissues by the left ventricle
- The aorta provides blood to the heart through the coronary arteries

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- Blood returns to the heart through the superior vena cava (blood from head, neck, and forelimbs) and inferior vena cava (blood from trunk and hind limbs)
  - The superior vena cava and inferior vena cava flow into the right atrium

**PLAY**

**Animation: Path of Blood Flow in Mammals**

Fig. 42-6



# The Mammalian Heart: *A Closer Look*

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- A closer look at the mammalian heart provides a better understanding of double circulation

Fig. 42-7

**Pulmonary artery**

**Aorta**

**Right atrium**

**Pulmonary artery**

**Left atrium**

**Semilunar valve**

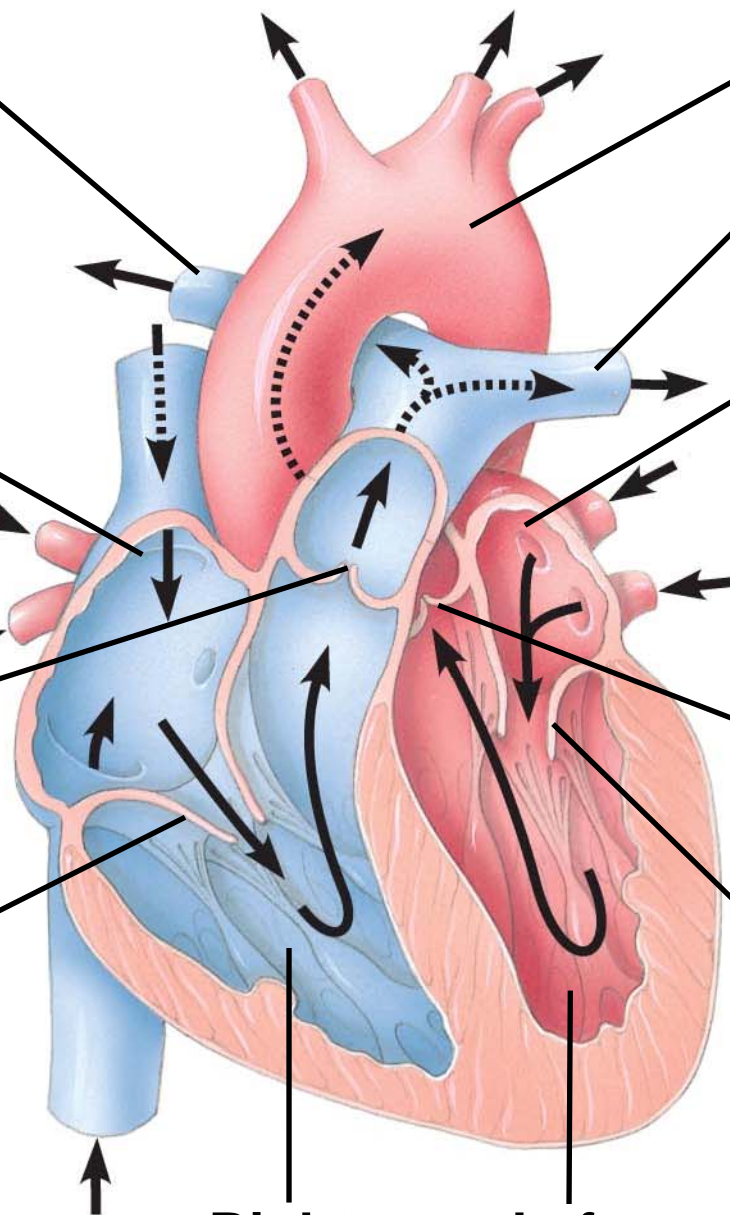
**Semilunar valve**

**Atrioventricular valve**

**Atrioventricular valve**

**Right ventricle**

**Left ventricle**



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- The heart contracts and relaxes in a rhythmic cycle called the **cardiac cycle**
  - The contraction, or pumping, phase is called **systole**
  - The relaxation, or filling, phase is called **diastole**



Fig. 42-8-1

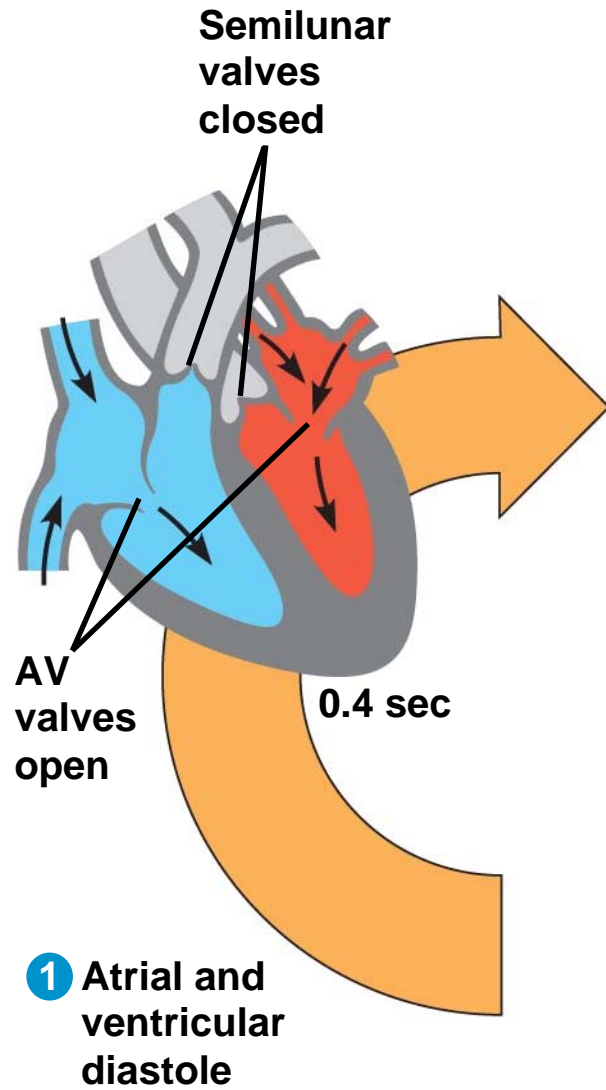


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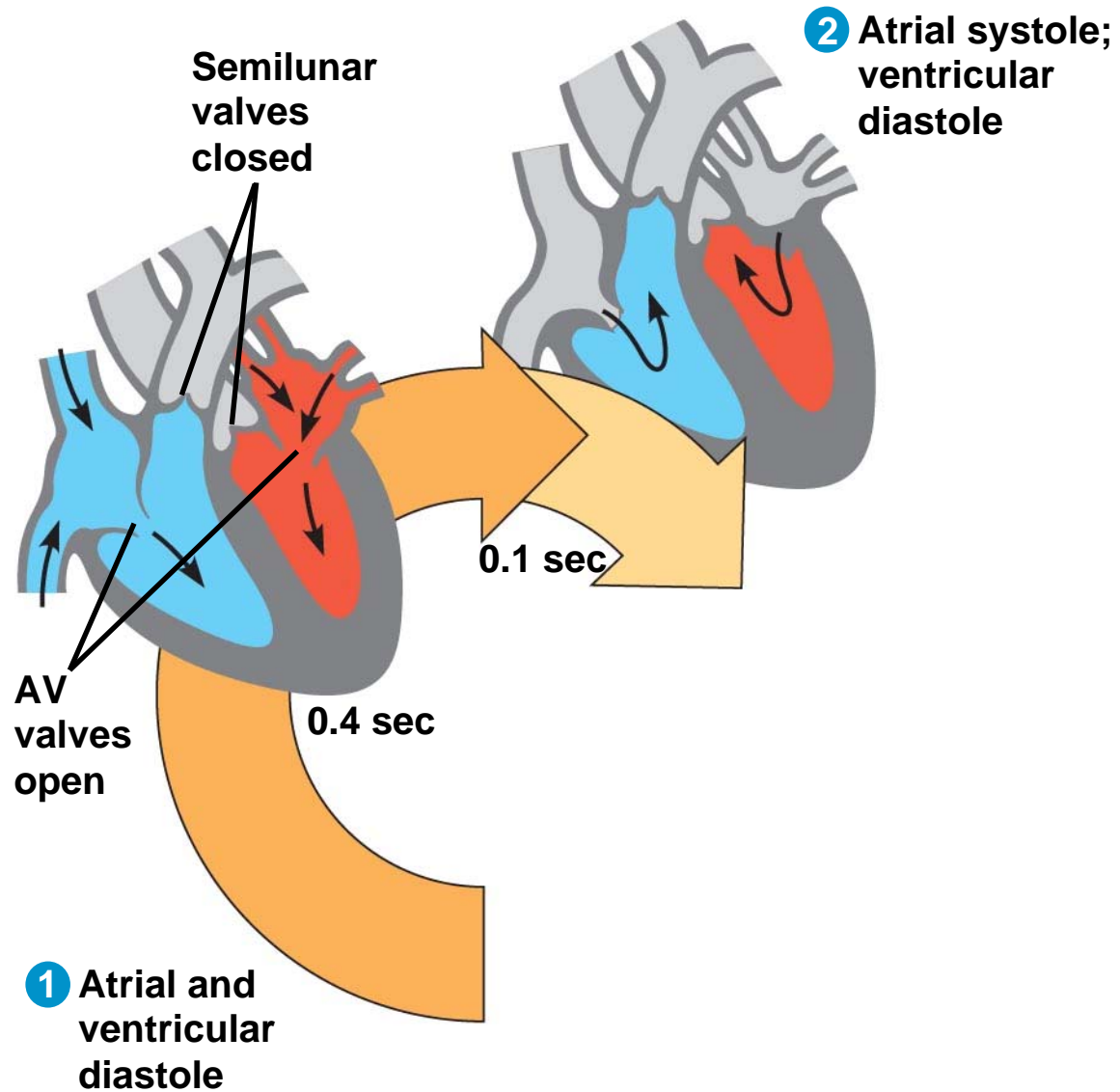
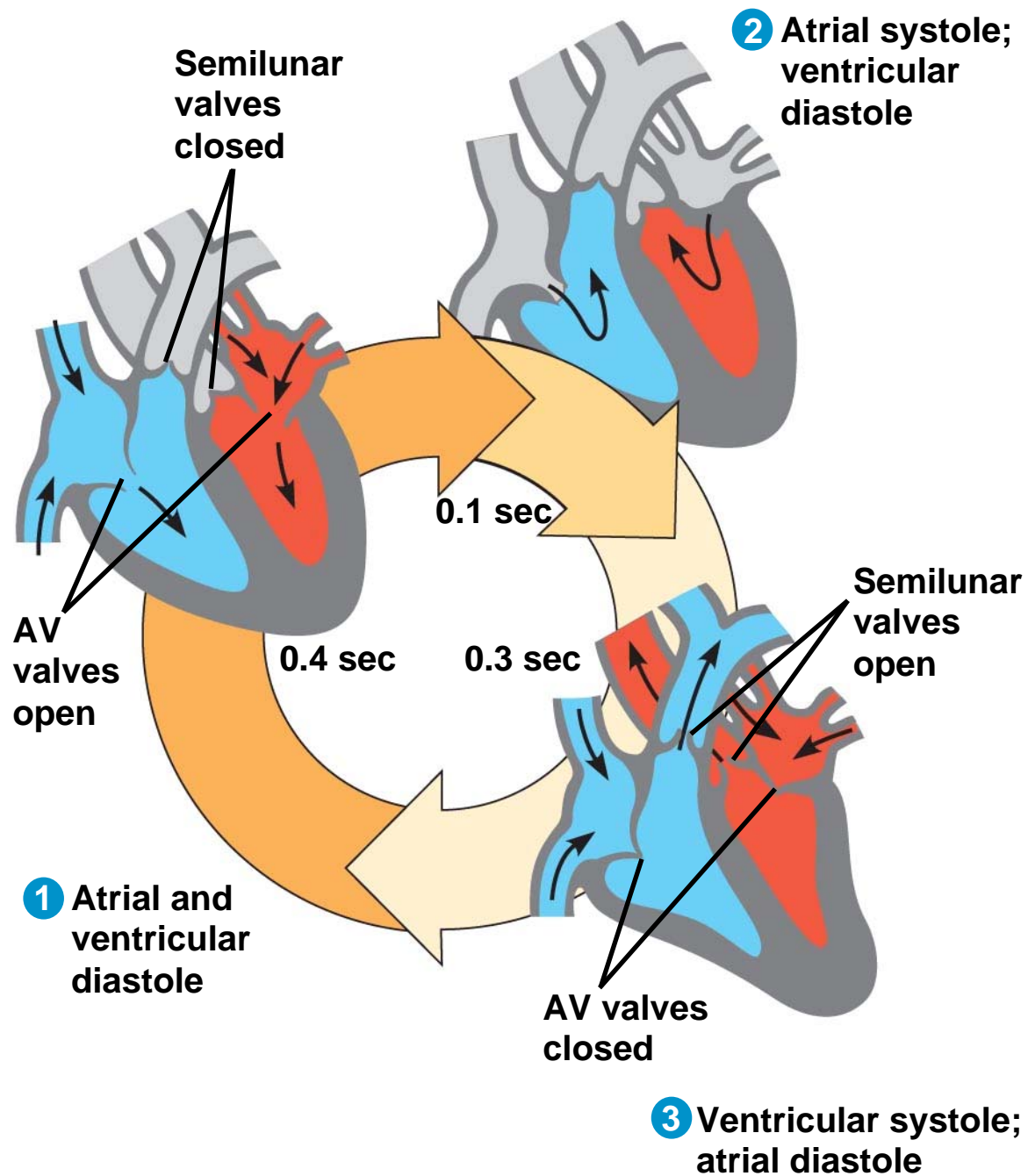


Fig. 42-8



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- The **heart rate**, also called the pulse, is the number of beats per minute
  - The **stroke volume** is the amount of blood pumped in a single contraction
  - The **cardiac output** is the volume of blood pumped into the systemic circulation per minute and depends on both the heart rate and stroke volume

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- Four valves prevent backflow of blood in the heart
  - The **atrioventricular (AV) valves** separate each atrium and ventricle
  - The **semilunar valves** control blood flow to the aorta and the pulmonary artery

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- The “lub-dup” sound of a heart beat is caused by the recoil of blood against the AV valves (lub) then against the semilunar (dup) valves
  - Backflow of blood through a defective valve causes a **heart murmur**

# Maintaining the Heart's Rhythmic Beat

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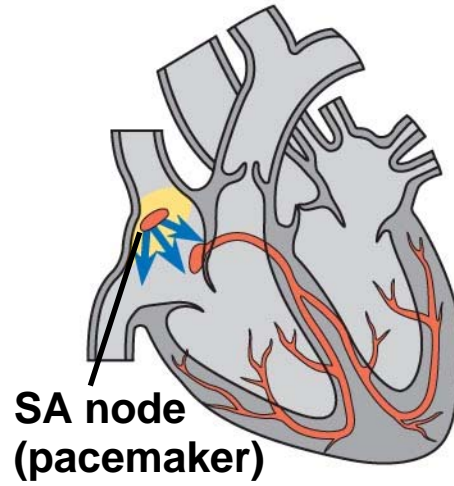
- Some cardiac muscle cells are self-excitabile, meaning they contract without any signal from the nervous system

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- The **sinoatrial (SA) node**, or *pacemaker*, sets the rate and timing at which cardiac muscle cells contract
  - Impulses from the SA node travel to the **atrioventricular (AV) node**
  - At the AV node, the impulses are delayed and then travel to the Purkinje fibers that make the ventricles contract

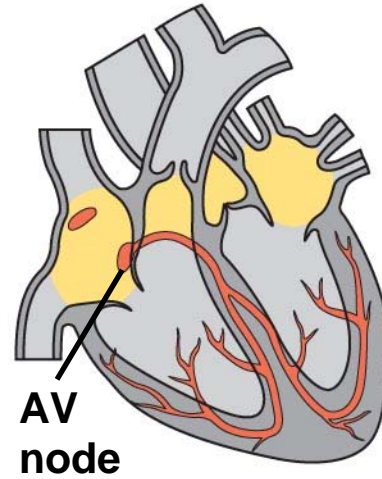


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- Impulses that travel during the cardiac cycle can be recorded as an **electrocardiogram (ECG or EKG)**

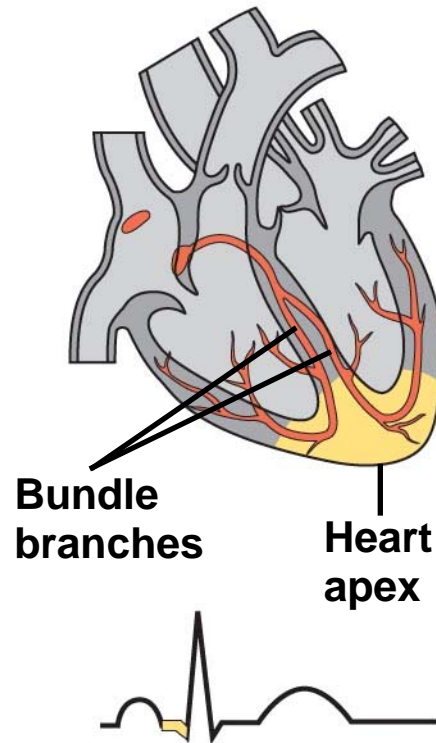
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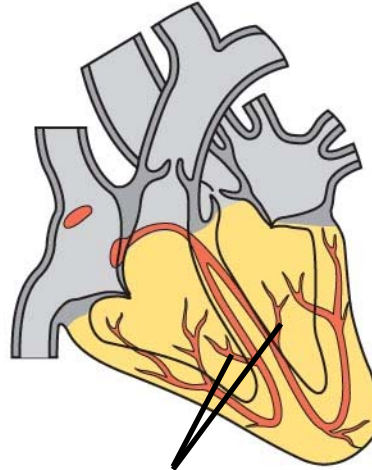
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**3** Signals pass to heart apex.



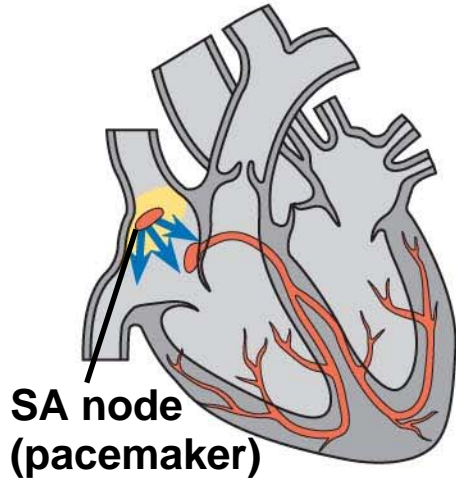
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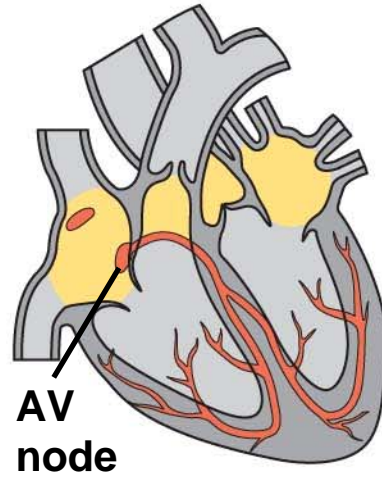
**Purkinje  
fibers**



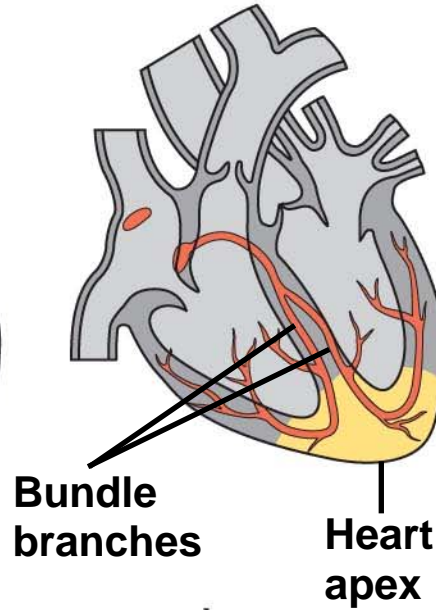
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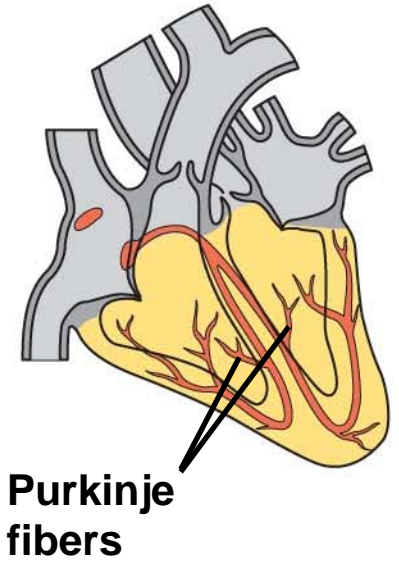
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**3 Signals pass to heart apex.**



**4 Signals spread throughout ventricles.**



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- The pacemaker is influenced by nerves, hormones, body temperature, and exercise

## **Concept 42.3: Patterns of blood pressure and flow reflect the structure and arrangement of blood vessels**

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- The physical principles that govern movement of water in plumbing systems also influence the functioning of animal circulatory systems

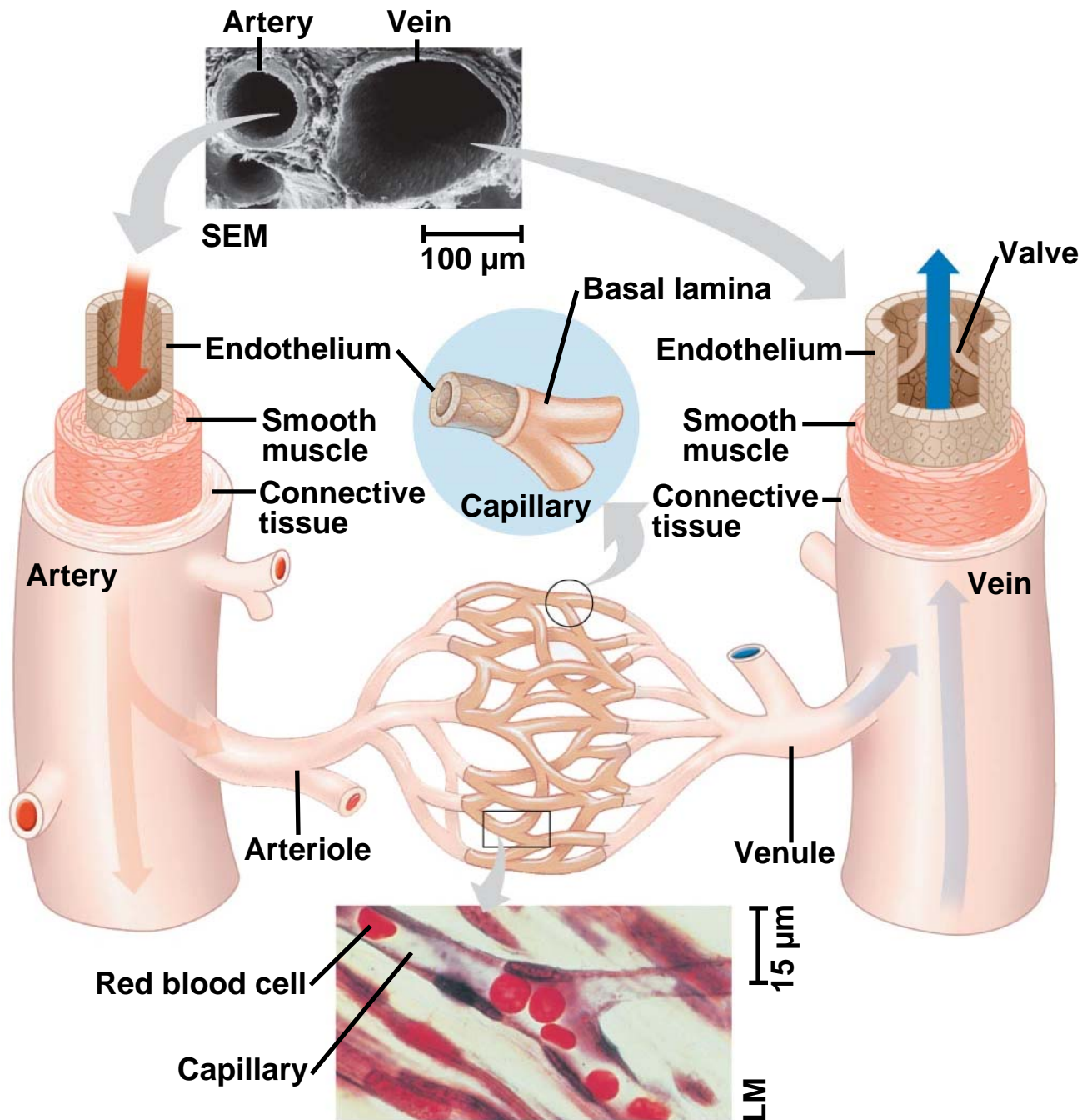


# Blood Vessel Structure and Function

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- The epithelial layer that lines blood vessels is called the **endothelium**

Fig. 42-10



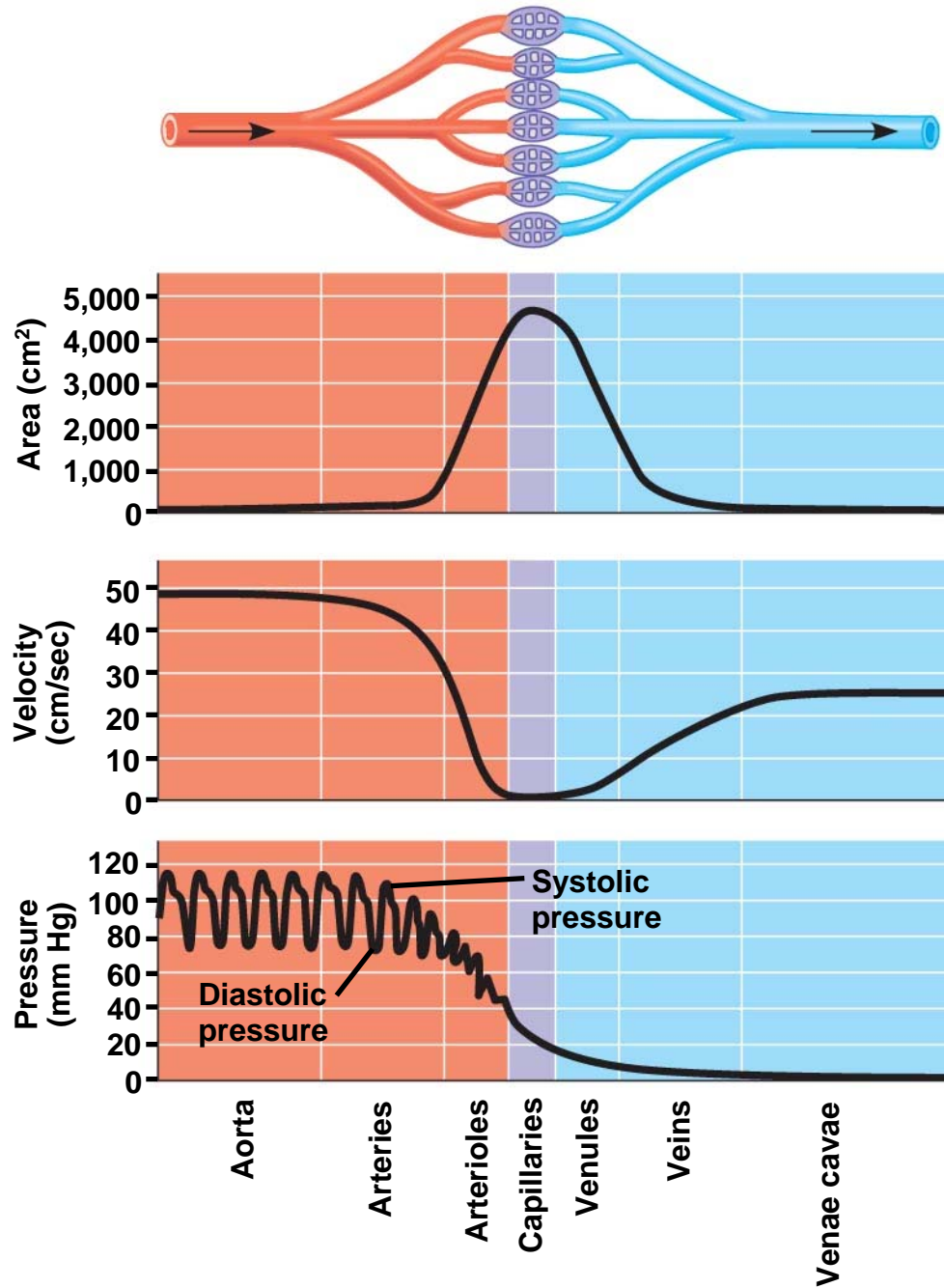
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- Capillaries have thin walls, the endothelium plus its basement membrane, to facilitate the exchange of materials
  - Arteries and veins have an endothelium, smooth muscle, and connective tissue
  - Arteries have thicker walls than veins to accommodate the high pressure of blood pumped from the heart
  - In the thinner-walled veins, blood flows back to the heart mainly as a result of muscle action

# Blood Flow Velocity

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- Physical laws governing movement of fluids through pipes affect blood flow and blood pressure
- Velocity of blood flow is slowest in the capillary beds, as a result of the high resistance and large total cross-sectional area
- Blood flow in capillaries is necessarily slow for exchange of materials

Fig. 42-11



# Blood Pressure

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- Blood pressure is the hydrostatic pressure that blood exerts against the wall of a vessel
- In rigid vessels blood pressure is maintained; less rigid vessels deform and blood pressure is lost

# *Changes in Blood Pressure During the Cardiac Cycle*

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- **Systolic pressure** is the pressure in the arteries during ventricular systole; it is the highest pressure in the arteries
- **Diastolic pressure** is the pressure in the arteries during diastole; it is lower than systolic pressure
- A **pulse** is the rhythmic bulging of artery walls with each heartbeat

# *Regulation of Blood Pressure*

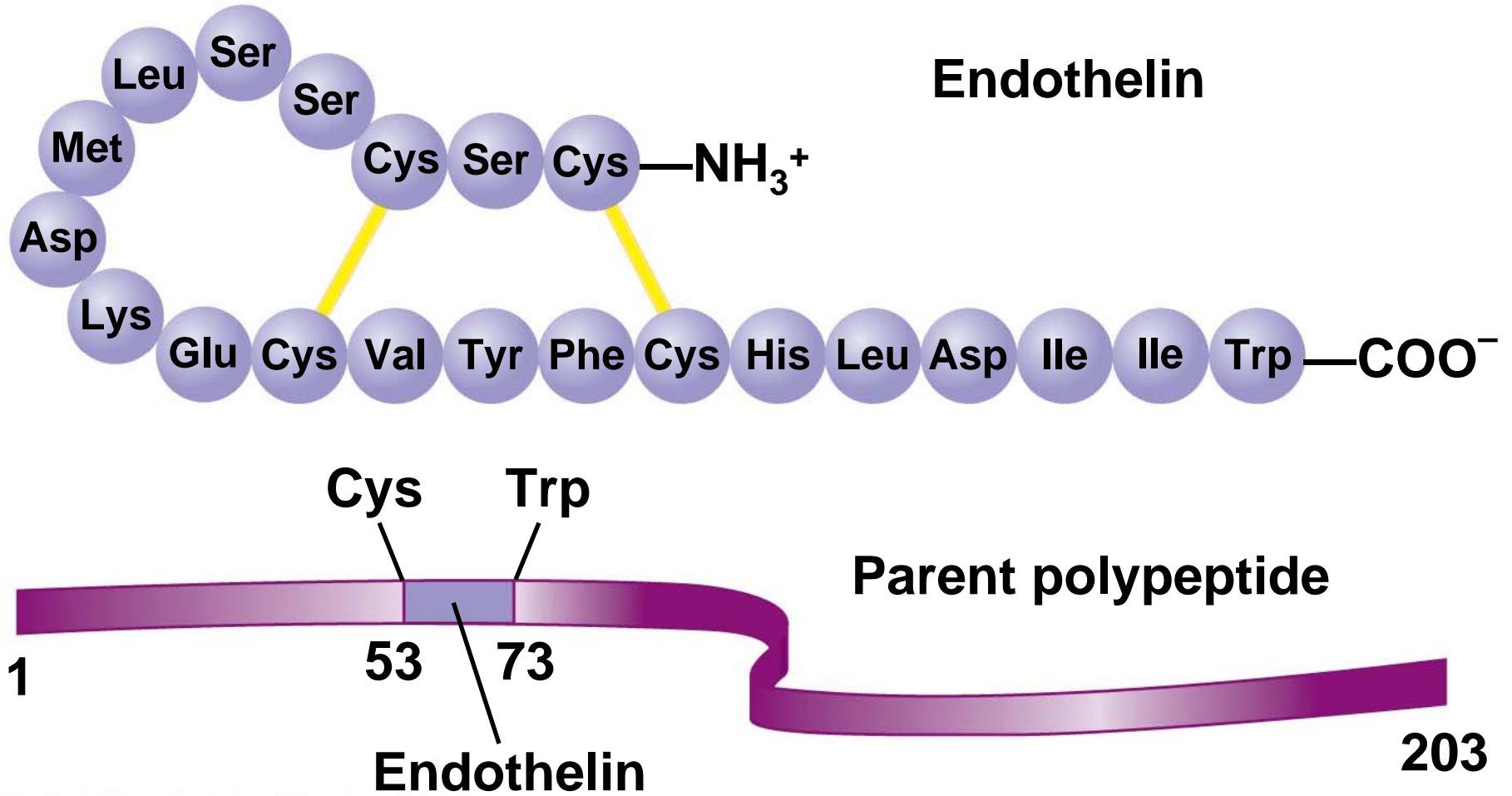
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- Blood pressure is determined by cardiac output and peripheral resistance due to constriction of arterioles
- **Vasoconstriction** is the contraction of smooth muscle in arteriole walls; it increases blood pressure
- **Vasodilation** is the relaxation of smooth muscles in the arterioles; it causes blood pressure to fall

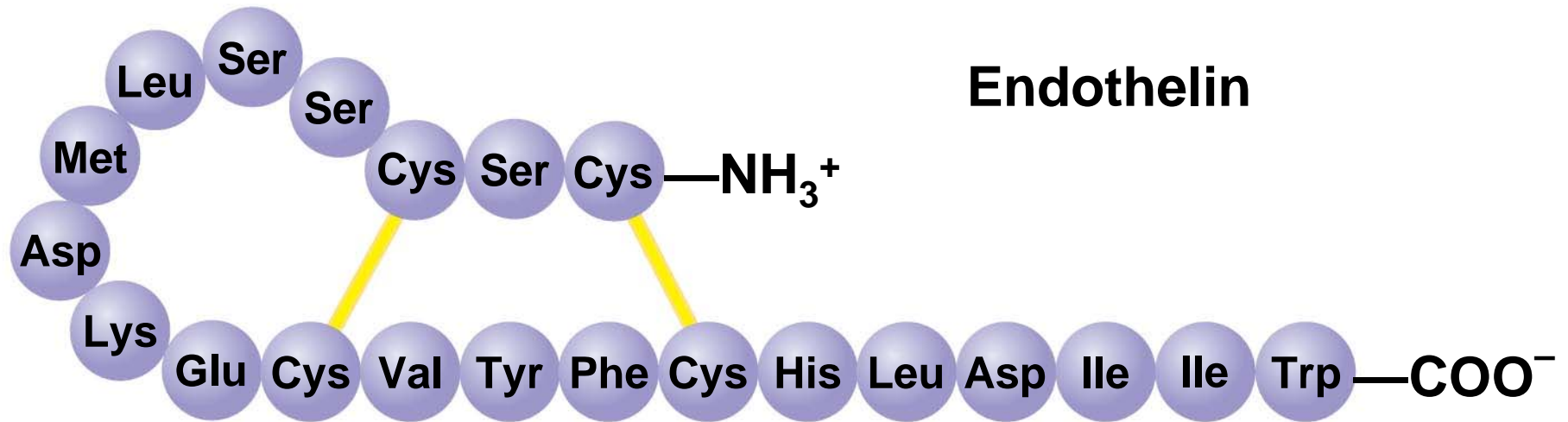


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- Vasoconstriction and vasodilation help maintain adequate blood flow as the body's demands change
  - The peptide **endothelin** is an important inducer of vasoconstriction

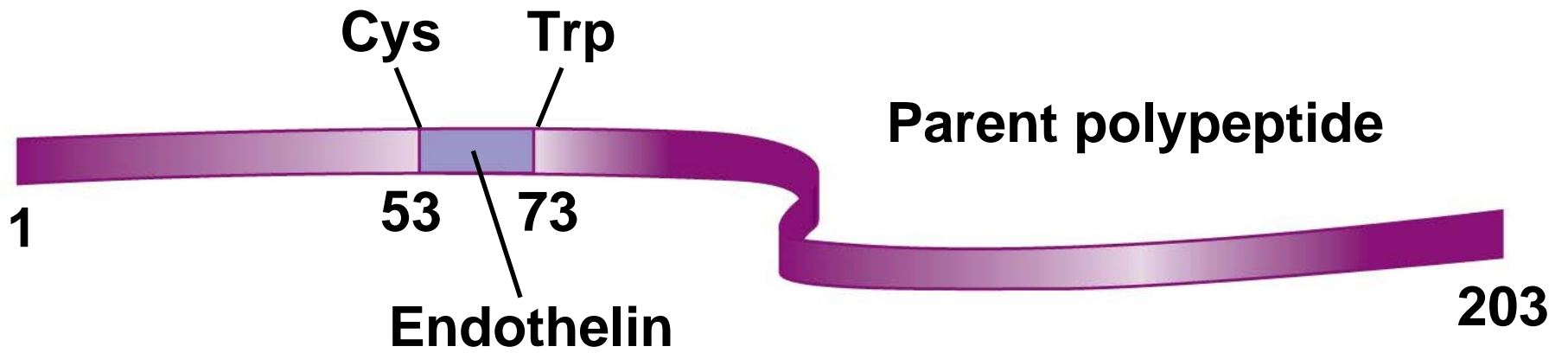
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# *Blood Pressure and Gravity*

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- Blood pressure is generally measured for an artery in the arm at the same height as the heart
- Blood pressure for a healthy 20 year old at rest is 120 mm Hg at systole and 70 mm Hg at diastole

Fig. 42-13-1

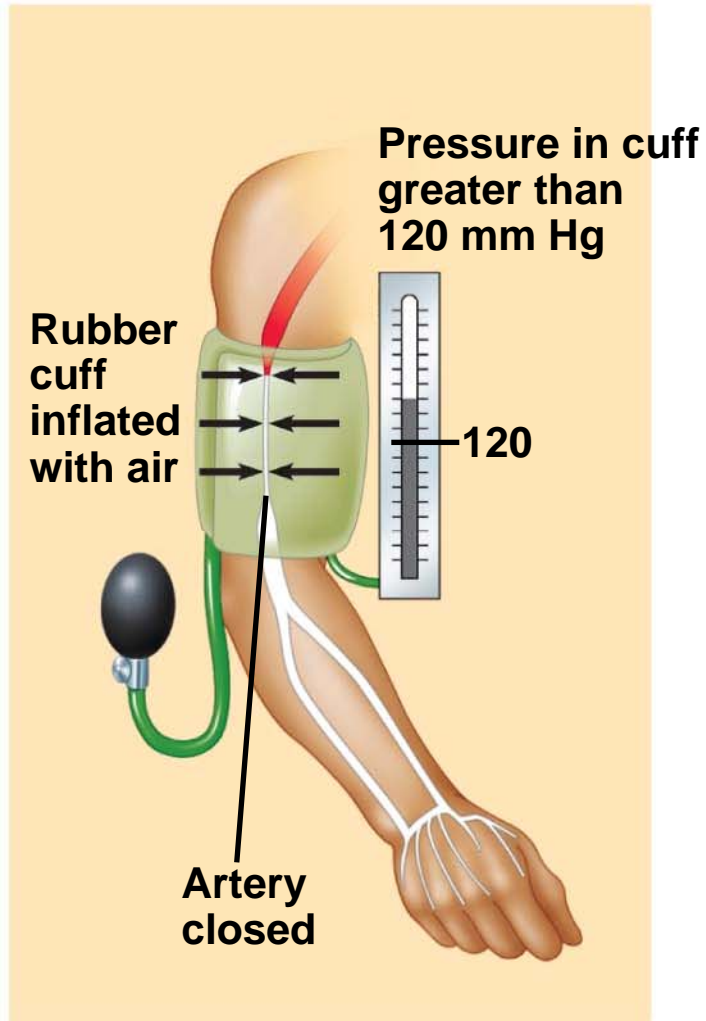
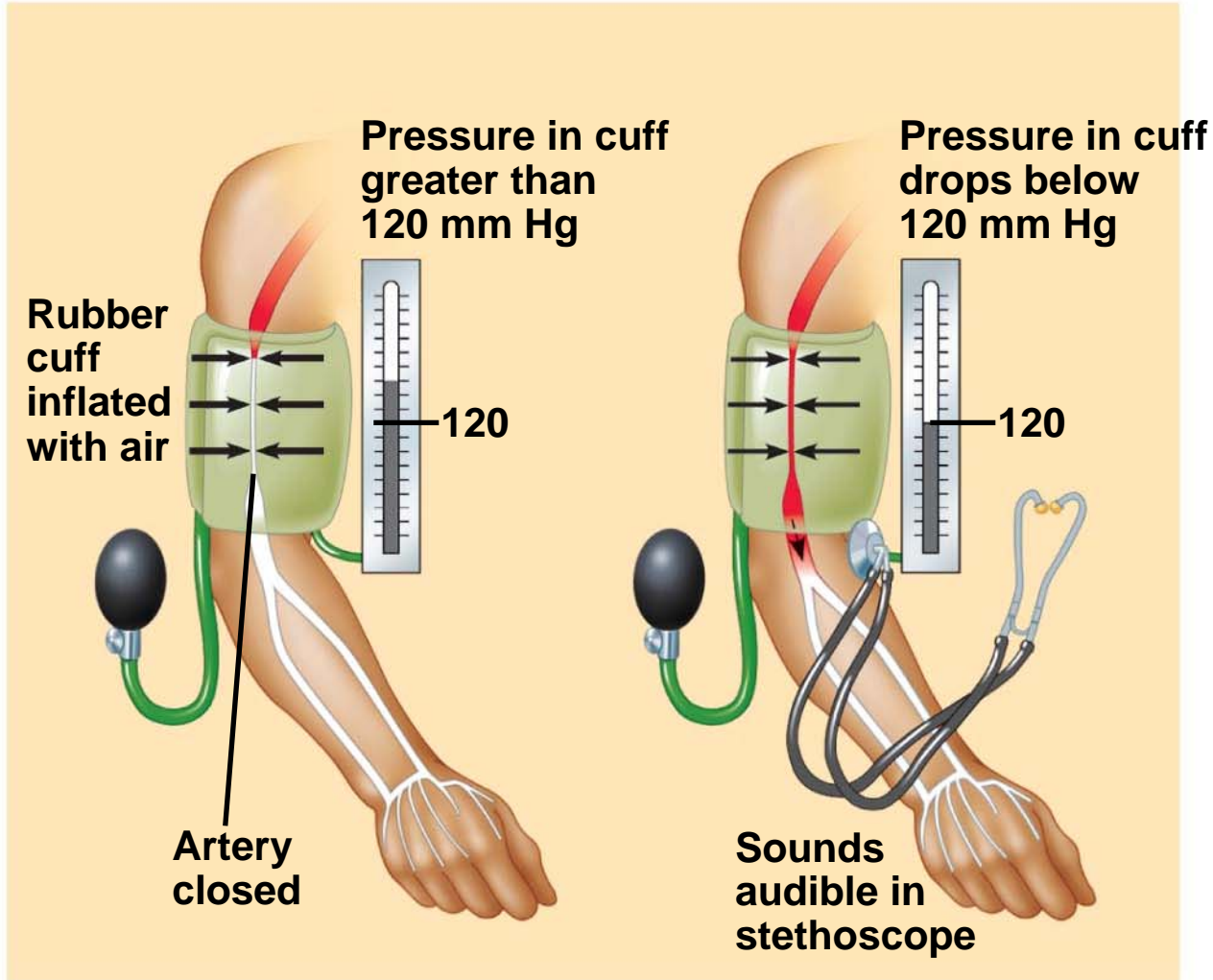
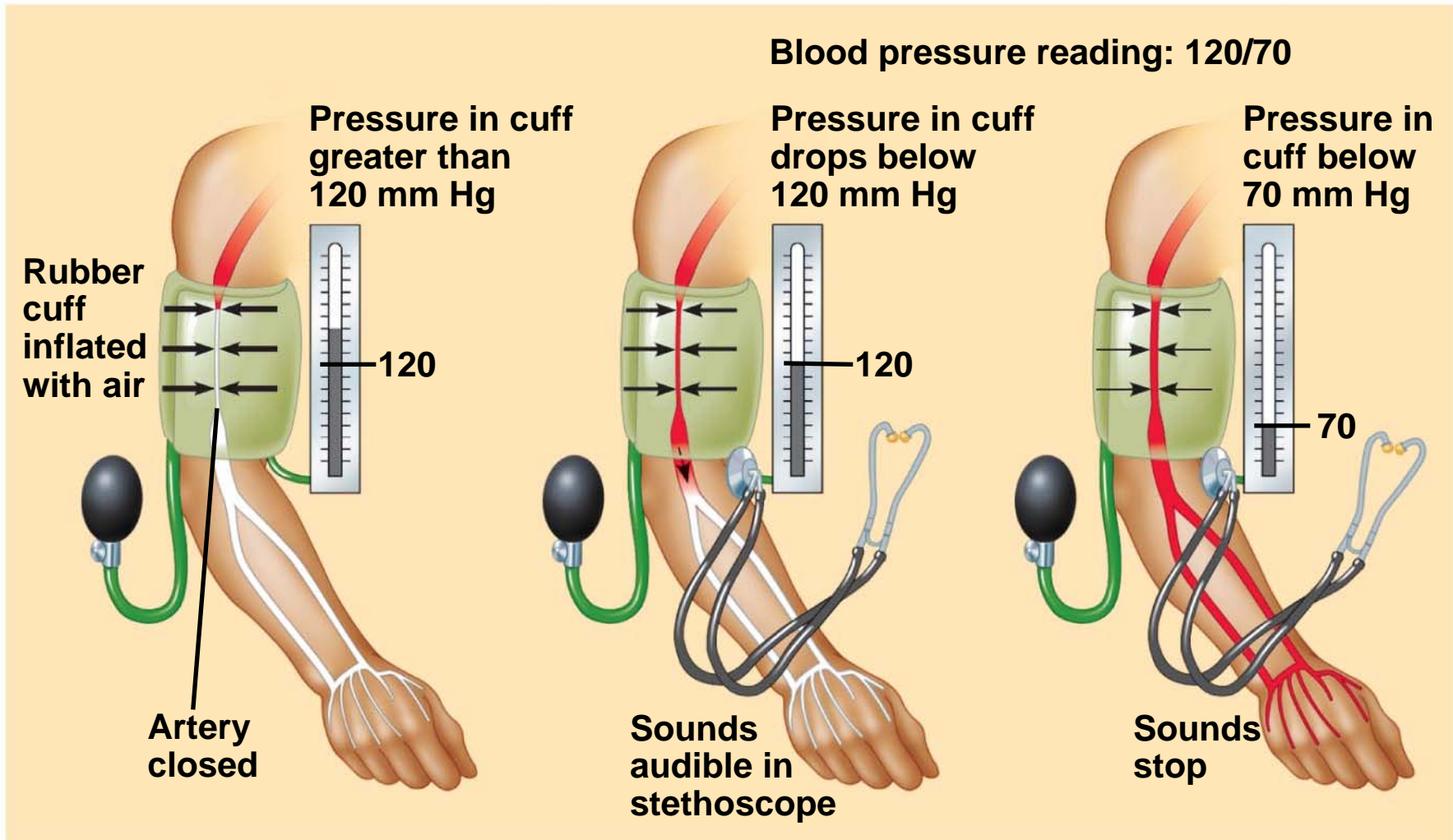


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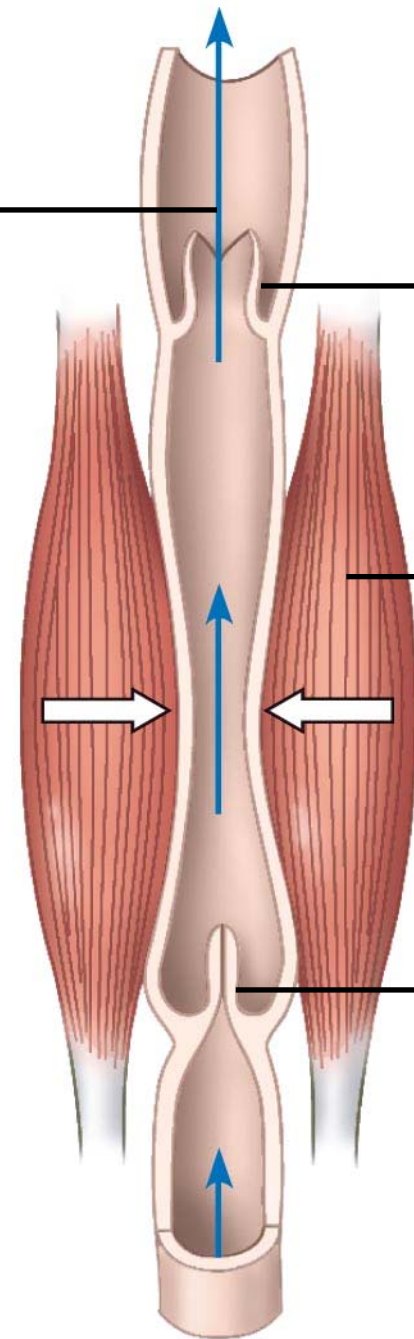




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- Fainting is caused by inadequate blood flow to the head
  - Animals with longer necks require a higher systolic pressure to pump blood a greater distance against gravity
  - Blood is moved through veins by smooth muscle contraction, skeletal muscle contraction, and expansion of the vena cava with inhalation
  - One-way valves in veins prevent backflow of blood

Fig. 42-14

**Direction of blood flow  
in vein (toward heart)**



**Valve (open)**

**Skeletal muscle**

**Valve (closed)**

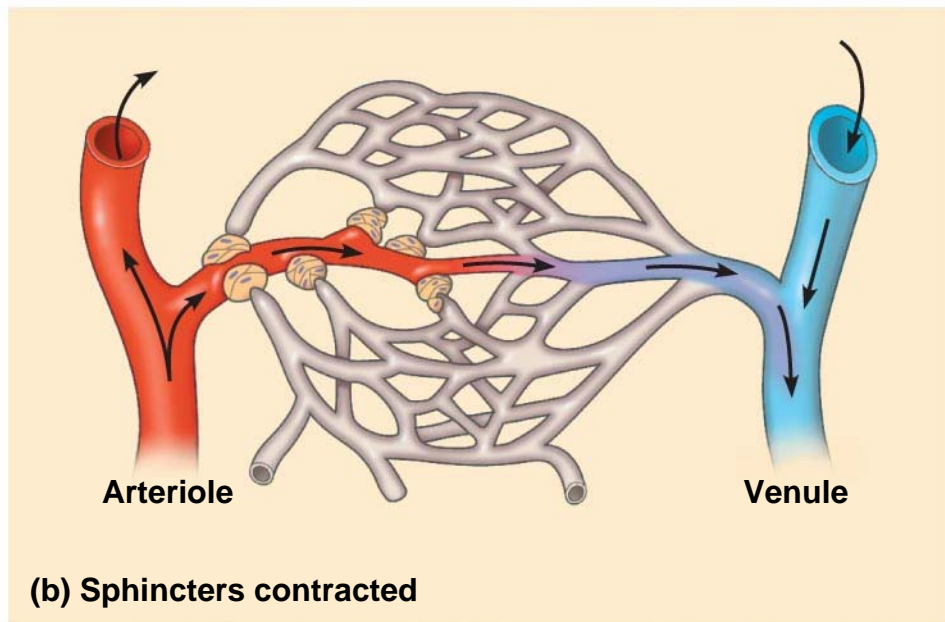
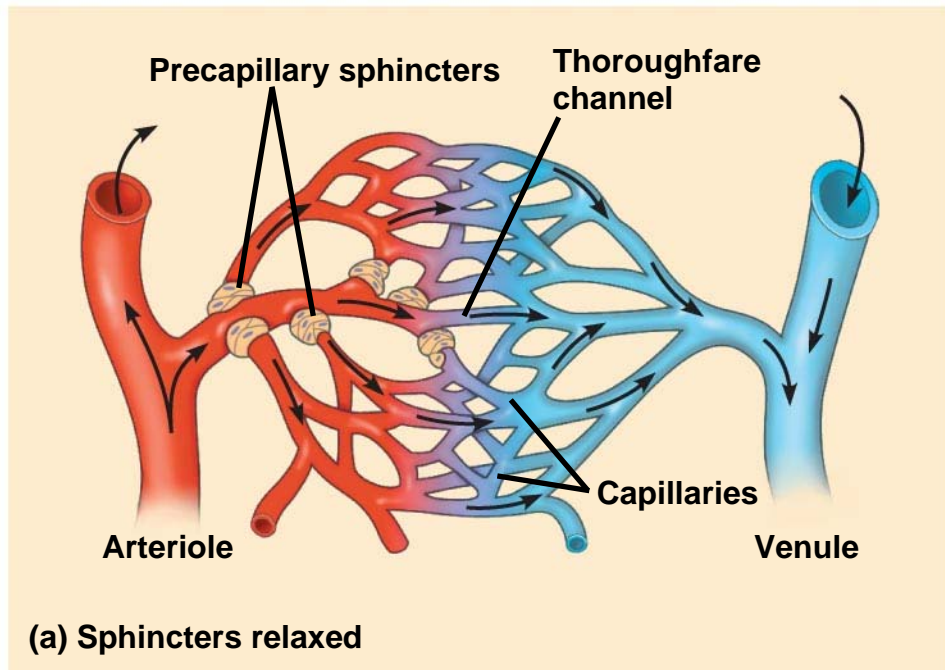
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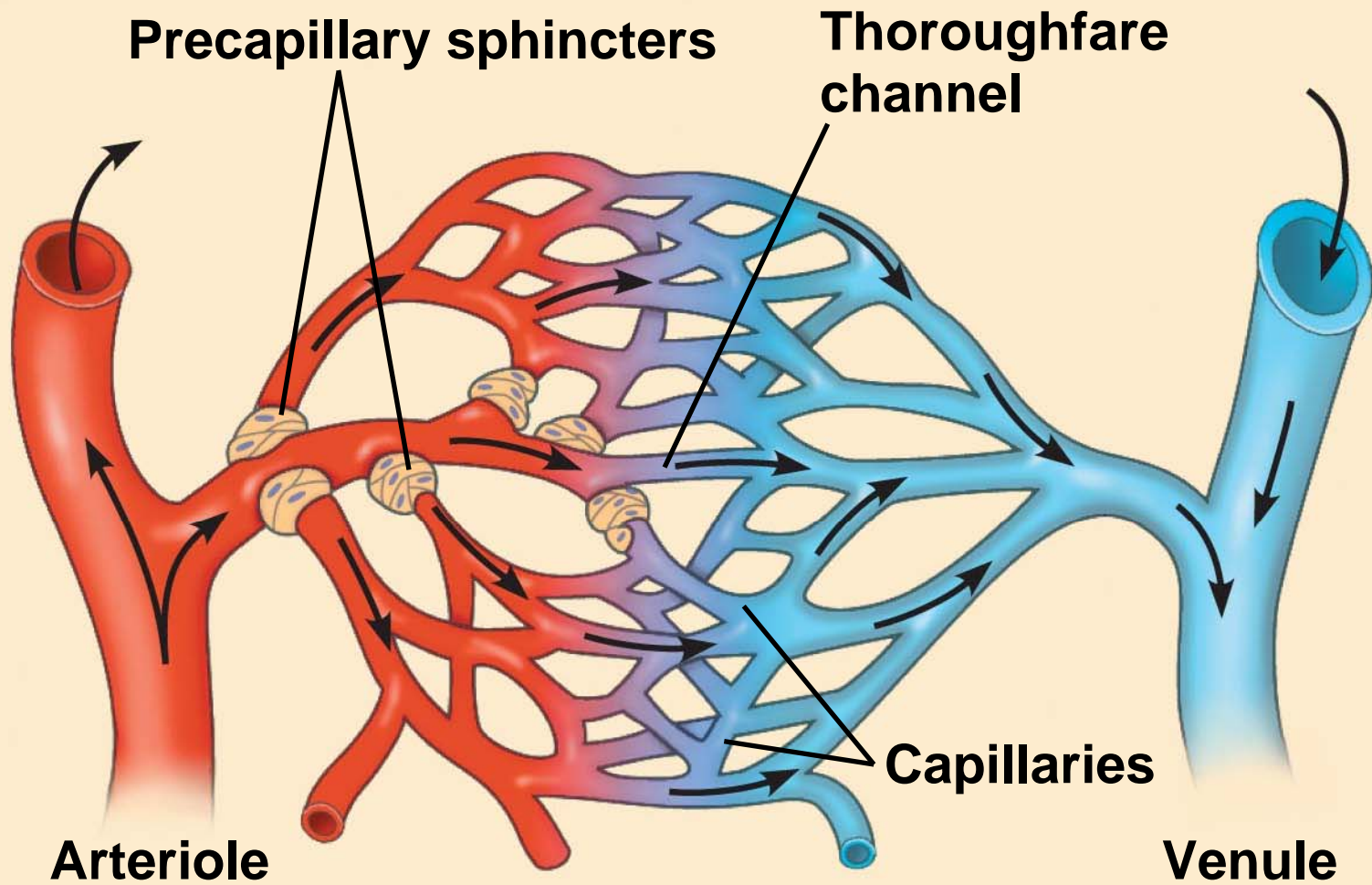
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- Capillaries in major organs are usually filled to capacity
- Blood supply varies in many other sites

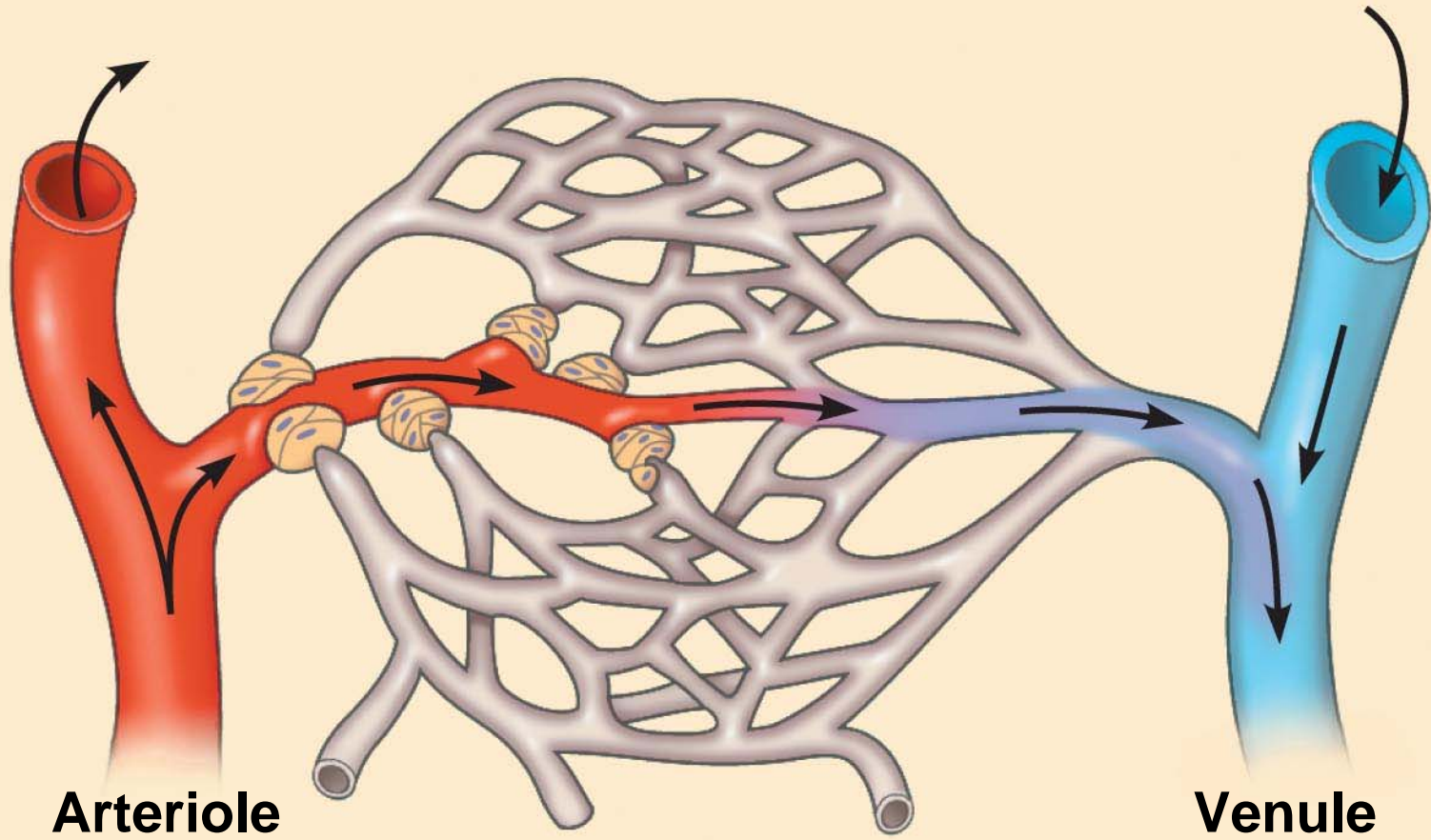
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- Two mechanisms regulate distribution of blood in capillary beds:
    - Contraction of the smooth muscle layer in the wall of an arteriole constricts the vessel
    - Precapillary sphincters control flow of blood between arterioles and venules

Fig. 42-15





**(a) Sphincters relaxed**



**(b) Sphincters contracted**

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- The critical exchange of substances between the blood and interstitial fluid takes place across the thin endothelial walls of the capillaries
  - The difference between blood pressure and osmotic pressure drives fluids out of capillaries at the arteriole end and into capillaries at the venule end



Fig. 42-16

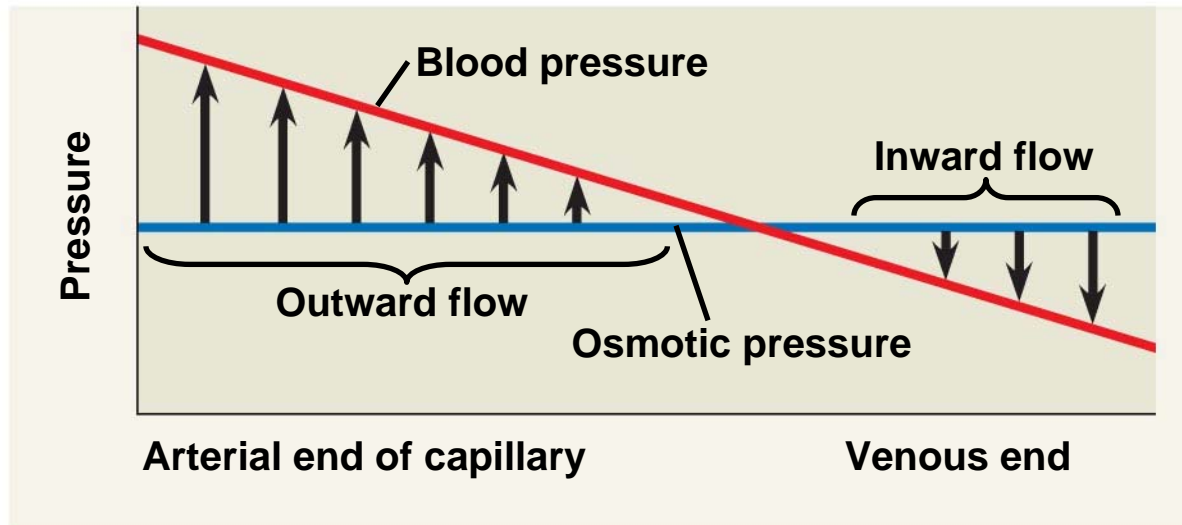
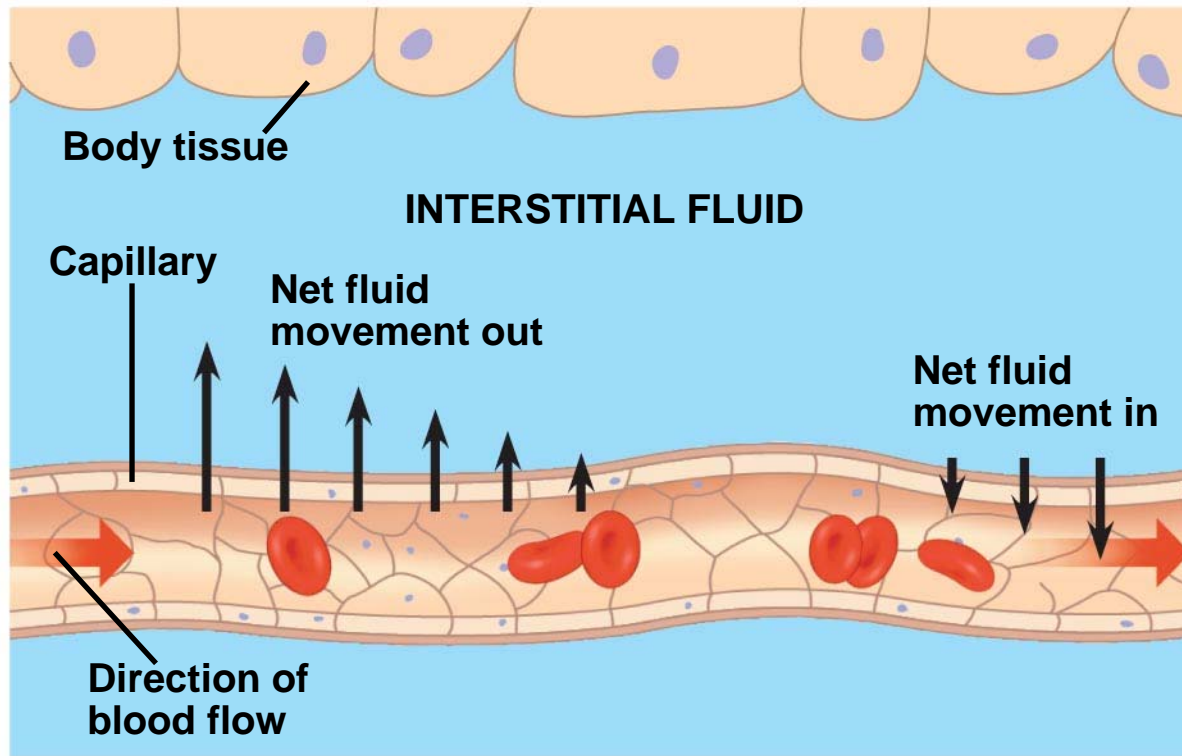


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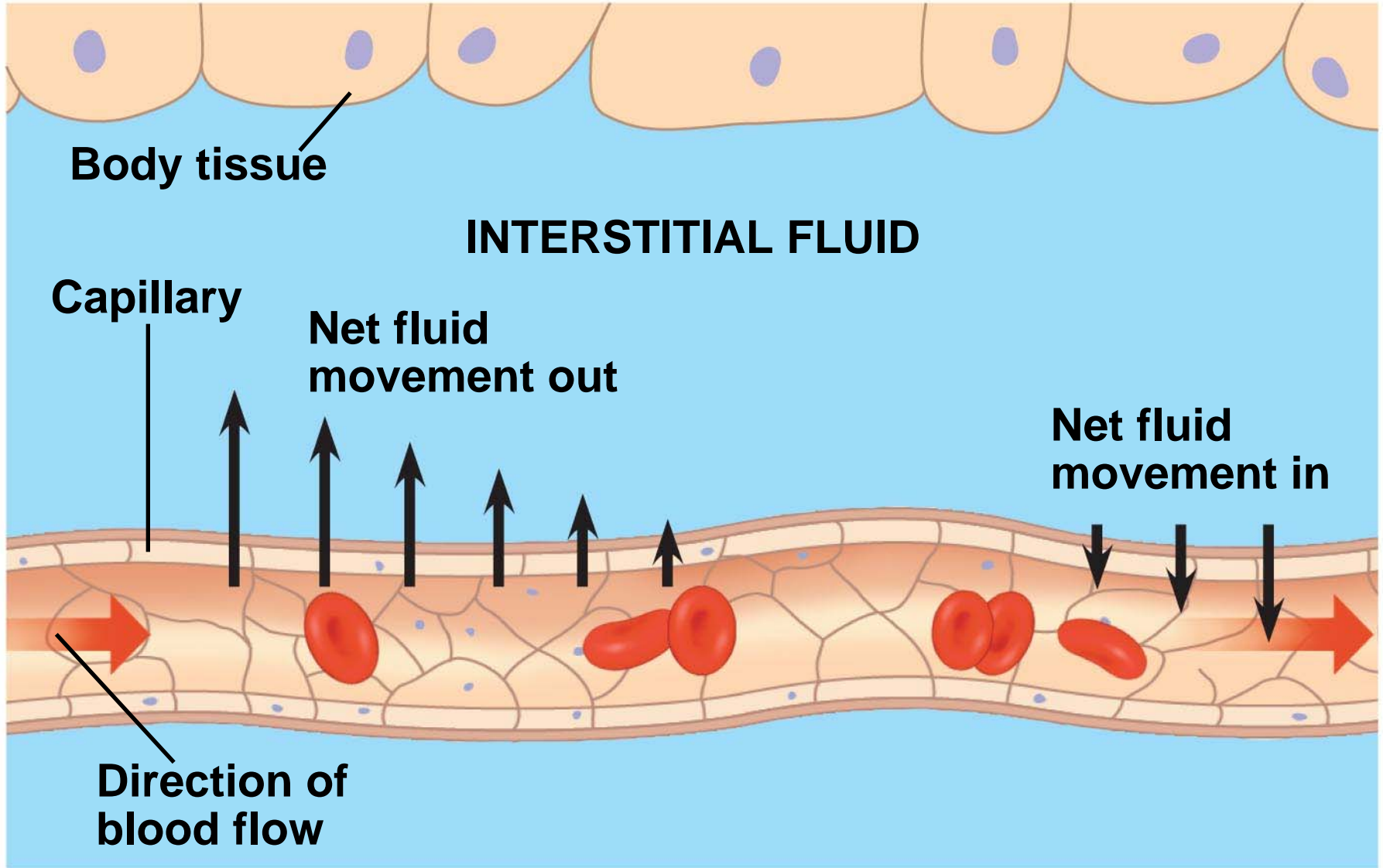
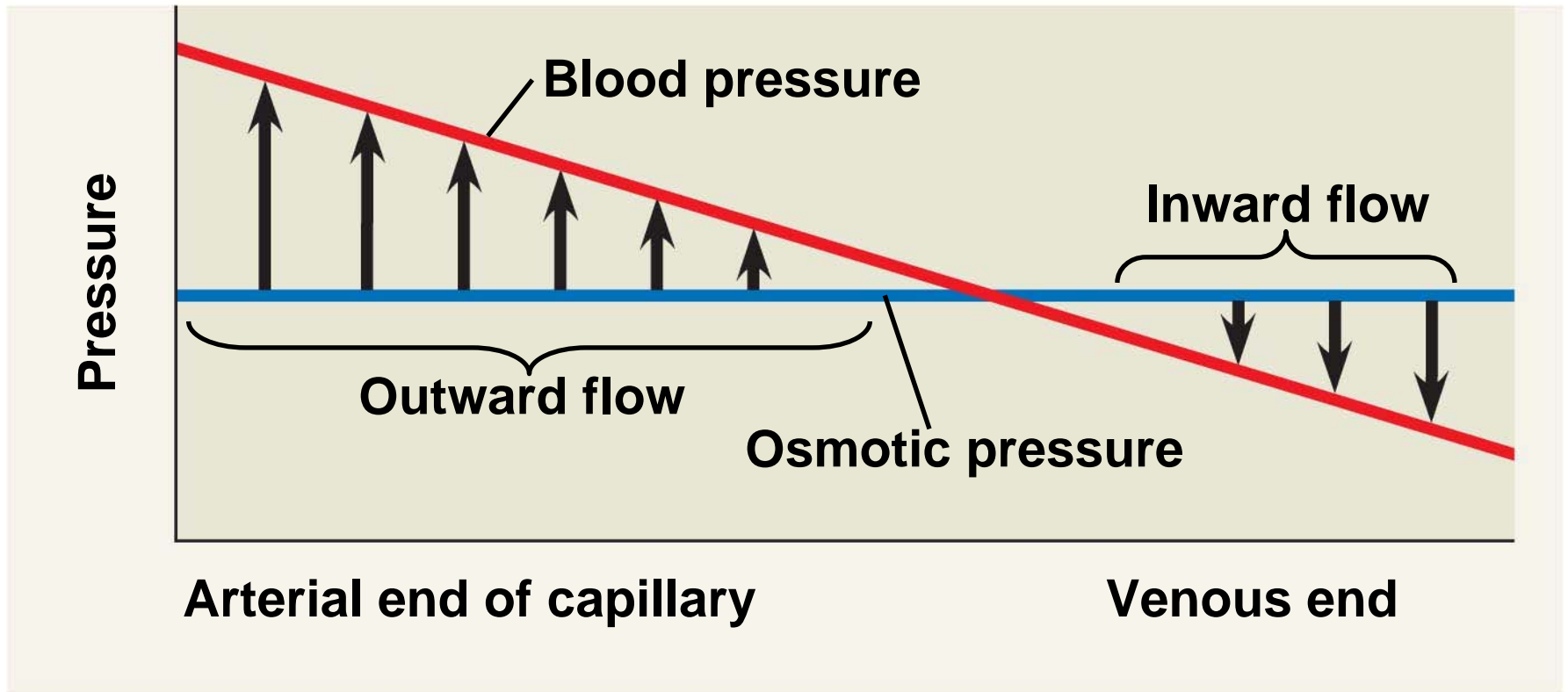


Fig. 42-16b



# Fluid Return by the Lymphatic System

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- The **lymphatic system** returns fluid that leaks out in the capillary beds
- This system aids in body defense
- Fluid, called **lymph**, reenters the circulation directly at the venous end of the capillary bed and indirectly through the lymphatic system
- The lymphatic system drains into veins in the neck

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- **Lymph nodes** are organs that filter lymph and play an important role in the body's defense
  - Edema is swelling caused by disruptions in the flow of lymph

## Concept 42.4: Blood components function in exchange, transport, and defense

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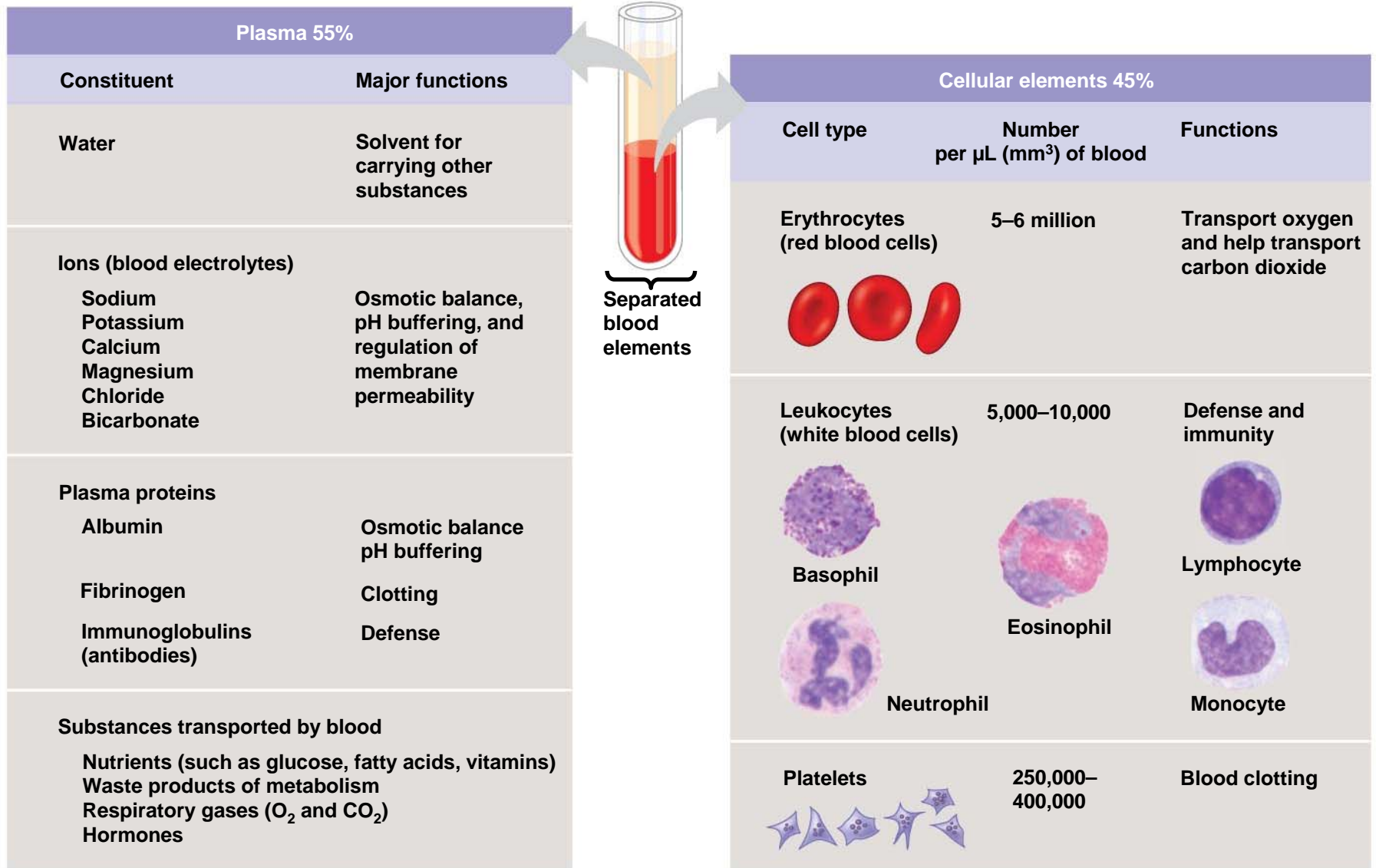
- In invertebrates with open circulation, blood (hemolymph) is not different from interstitial fluid
- Blood in the circulatory systems of vertebrates is a specialized connective tissue

# Blood Composition and Function

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- Blood consists of several kinds of cells suspended in a liquid matrix called **plasma**
- The cellular elements occupy about 45% of the volume of blood

Fig. 42-17





# *Plasma*

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- Blood plasma is about 90% water
- Among its solutes are inorganic salts in the form of dissolved ions, sometimes called electrolytes
- Another important class of solutes is the plasma proteins, which influence blood pH, osmotic pressure, and viscosity
- Various plasma proteins function in lipid transport, immunity, and blood clotting

# *Cellular Elements*

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- Suspended in blood plasma are two types of cells:
  - Red blood cells (erythrocytes) transport oxygen
  - White blood cells (leukocytes) function in defense
- **Platelets**, a third cellular element, are fragments of cells that are involved in clotting

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# Erythrocytes

- Red blood cells, or **erythrocytes**, are by far the most numerous blood cells
- They transport oxygen throughout the body
- They contain **hemoglobin**, the iron-containing protein that transports oxygen

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# Leukocytes

- There are five major types of white blood cells, or **leukocytes**: monocytes, neutrophils, basophils, eosinophils, and lymphocytes
- They function in defense by phagocytizing bacteria and debris or by producing antibodies
- They are found both in and outside of the circulatory system

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# Platelets

- Platelets are fragments of cells and function in blood clotting

# *Blood Clotting*

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- When the endothelium of a blood vessel is damaged, the clotting mechanism begins
- A cascade of complex reactions converts fibrinogen to **fibrin**, forming a clot
- A blood clot formed within a blood vessel is called a **thrombus** and can block blood flow

Fig. 42-18-1

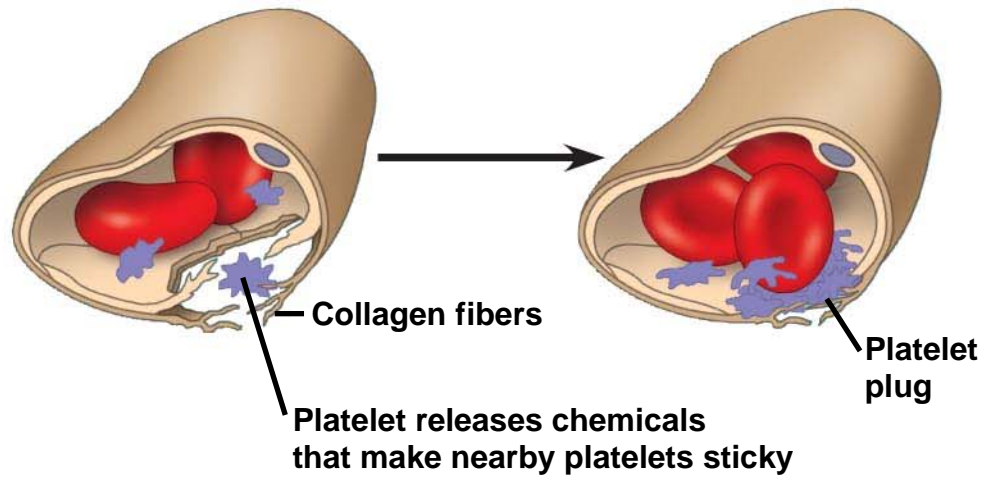


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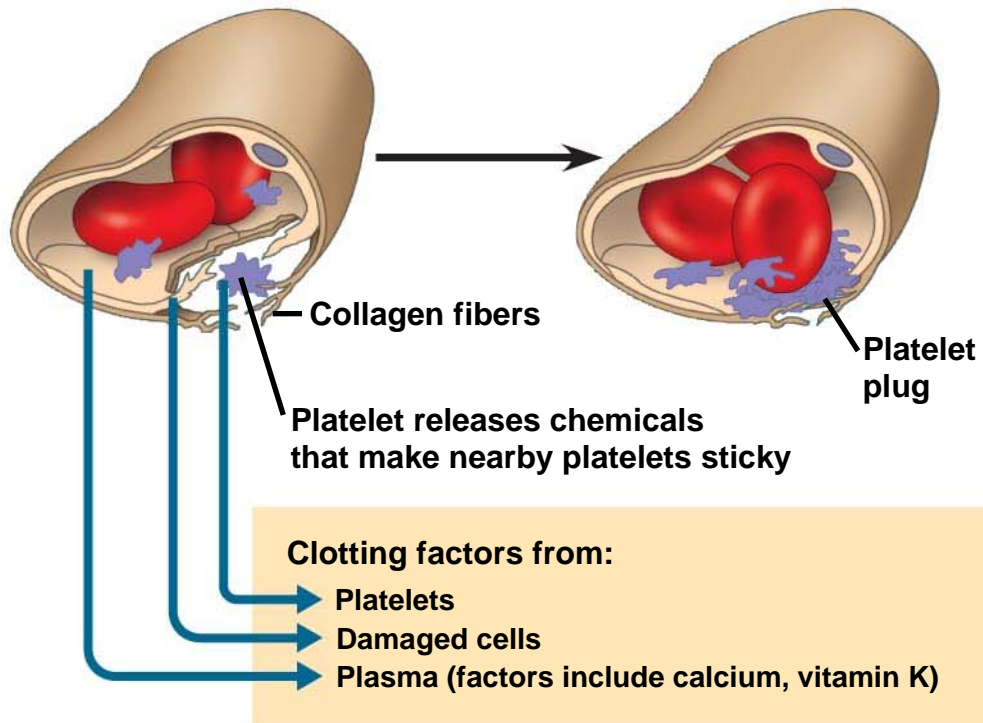




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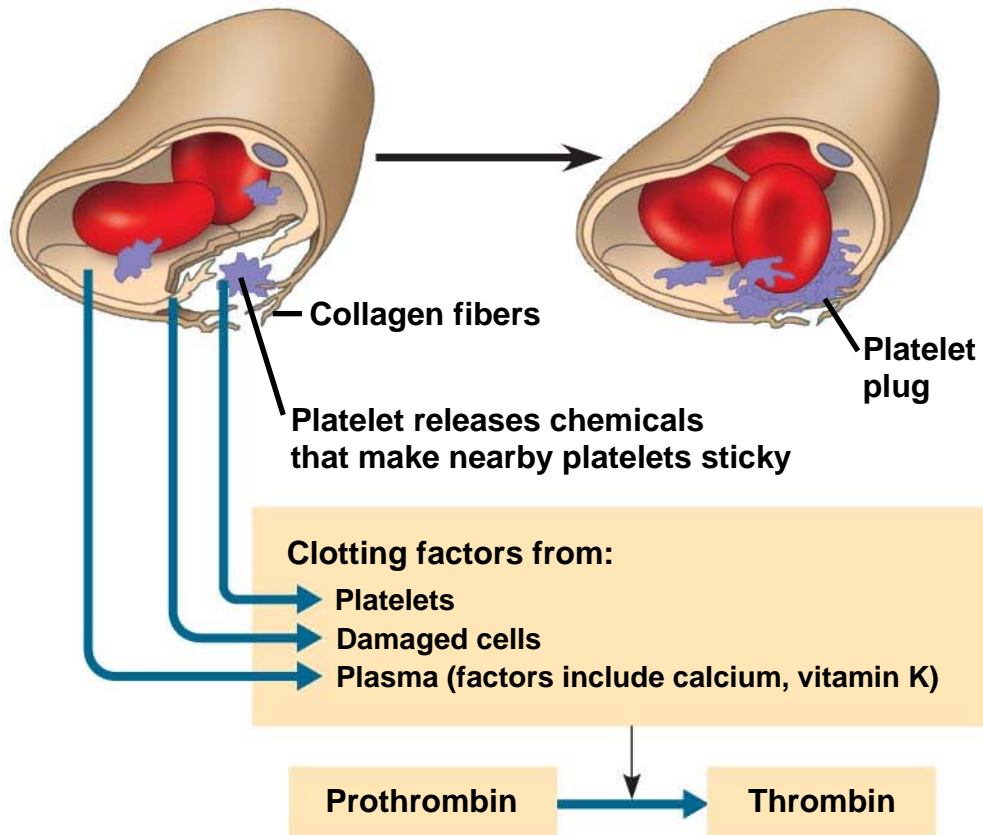
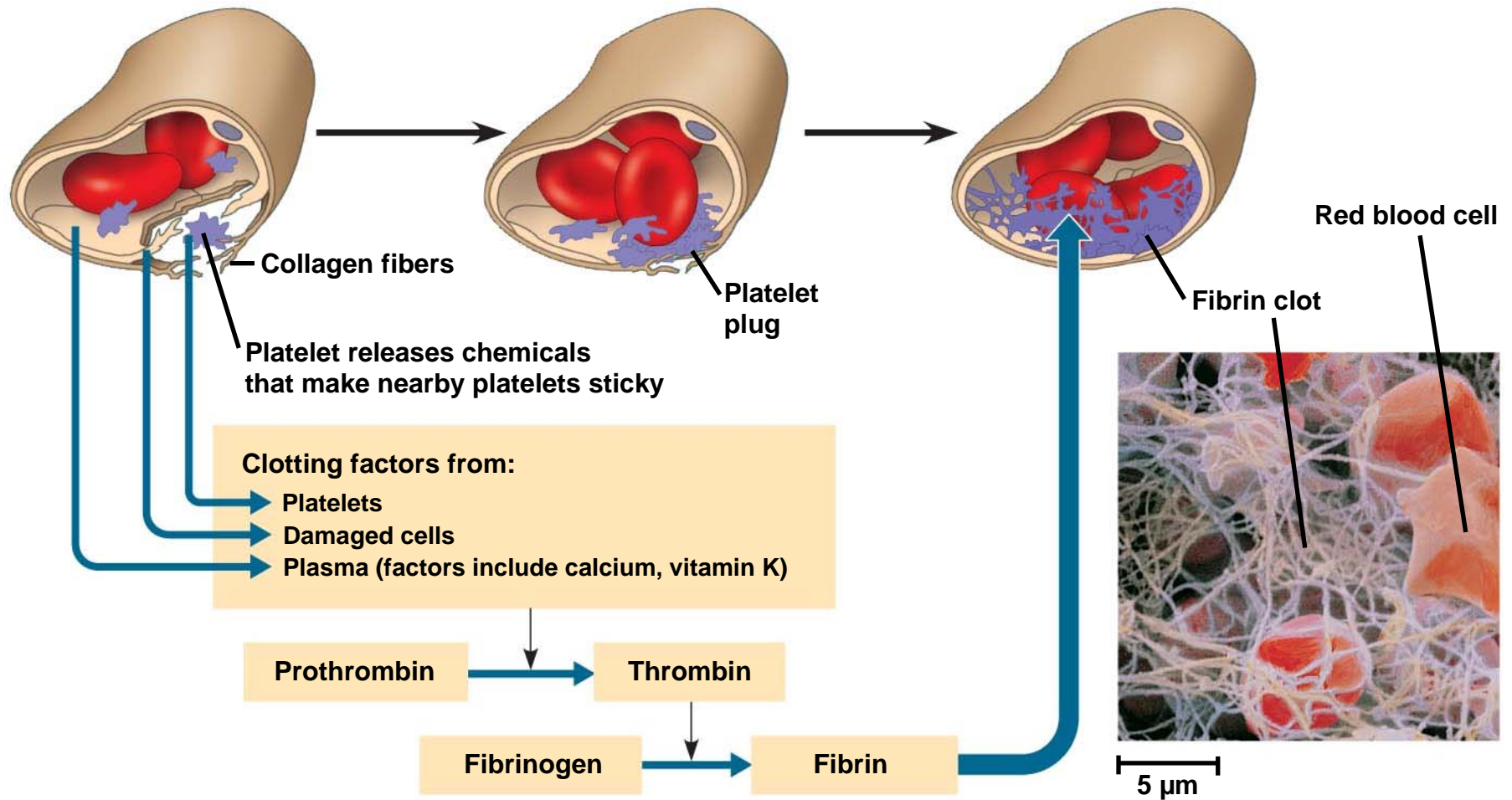


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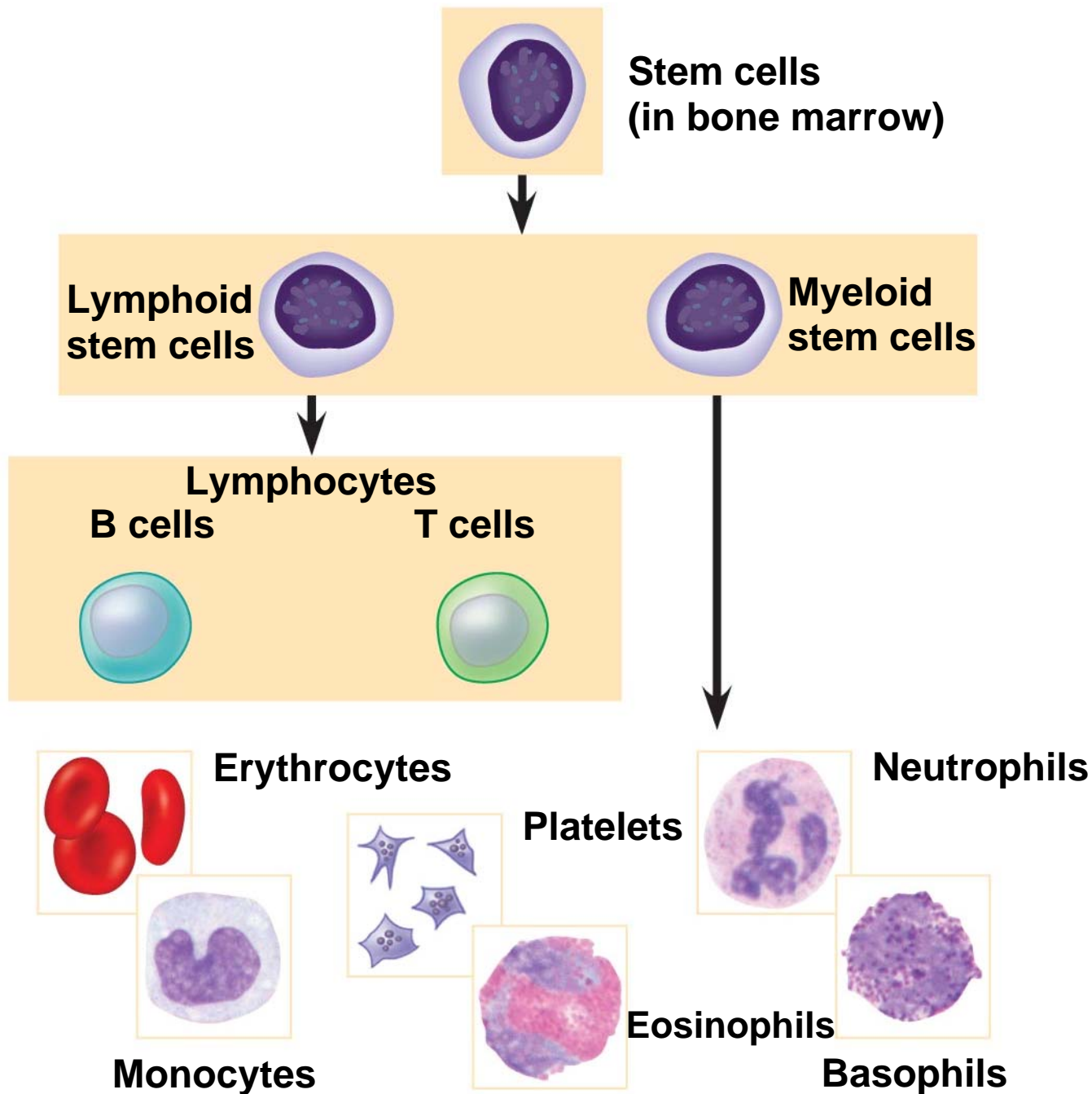


# *Stem Cells and the Replacement of Cellular Elements*

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- The cellular elements of blood wear out and are replaced constantly throughout a person's life
- Erythrocytes, leukocytes, and platelets all develop from a common source of **stem cells** in the red marrow of bones
- The hormone **erythropoietin (EPO)** stimulates erythrocyte production when oxygen delivery is low

Fig. 42-19



# Cardiovascular Disease

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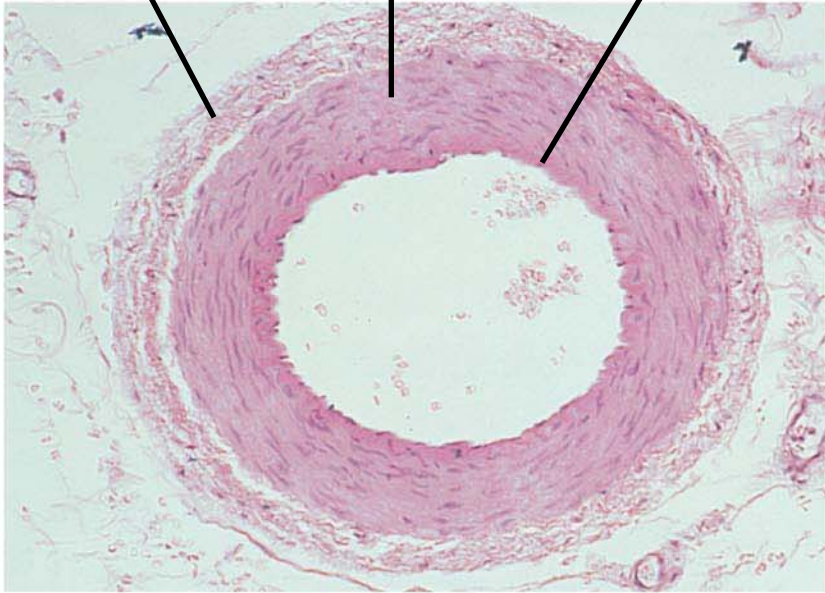
- Cardiovascular diseases are disorders of the heart and the blood vessels
- They account for more than half the deaths in the United States

# *Atherosclerosis*

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- One type of cardiovascular disease, **atherosclerosis**, is caused by the buildup of plaque deposits within arteries

**Connective tissue**      **Smooth muscle**      **Endothelium**



**(a) Normal artery**

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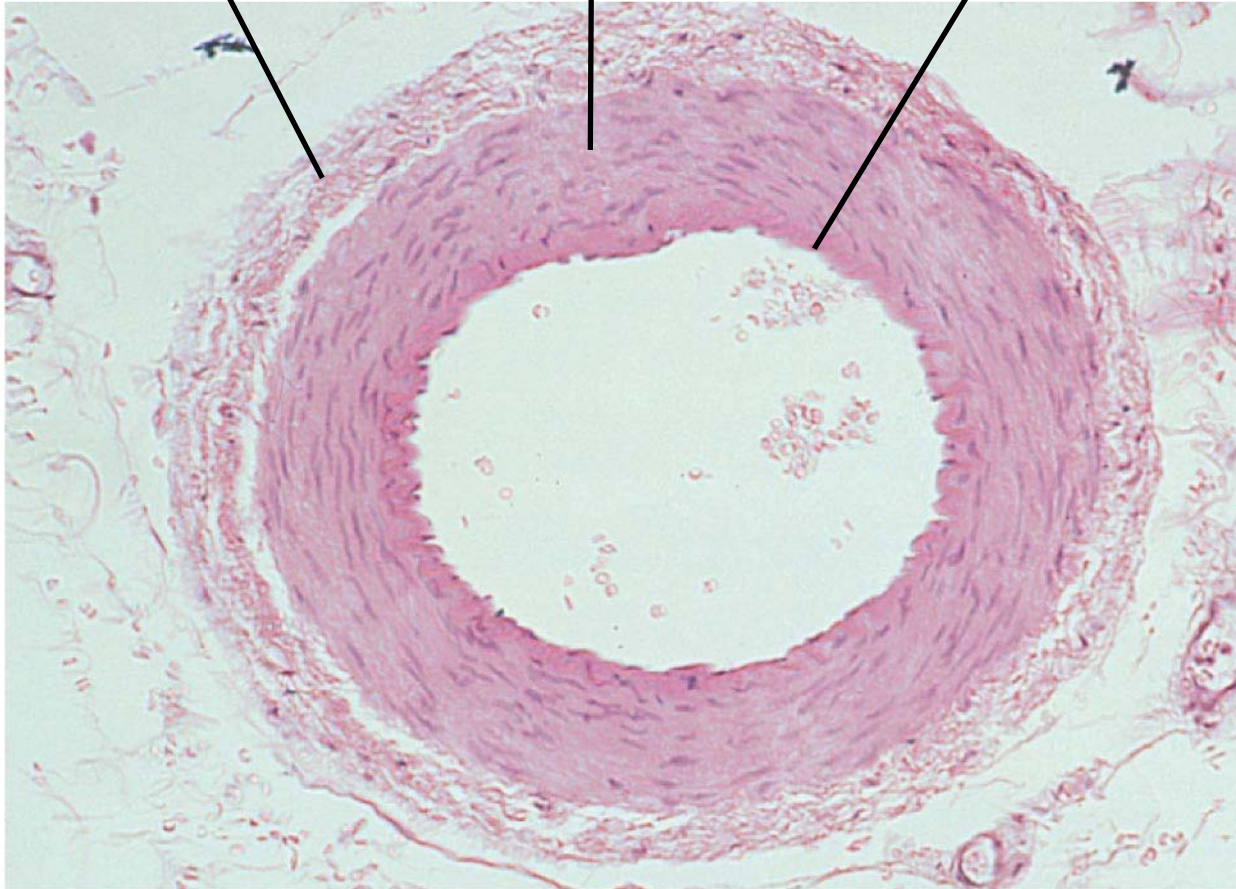
**Plaque**



**(b) Partly clogged artery**

250  $\mu$ m

**Connective tissue**      **Smooth muscle**      **Endothelium**



**(a) Normal artery**

50  $\mu\text{m}$





# *Heart Attacks and Stroke*

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- A **heart attack** is the death of cardiac muscle tissue resulting from blockage of one or more coronary arteries
- A **stroke** is the death of nervous tissue in the brain, usually resulting from rupture or blockage of arteries in the head

# *Treatment and Diagnosis of Cardiovascular Disease*

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- Cholesterol is a major contributor to atherosclerosis
- **Low-density lipoproteins (LDLs)** are associated with plaque formation; these are “bad cholesterol”
- **High-density lipoproteins (HDLs)** reduce the deposition of cholesterol; these are “good cholesterol”
- The proportion of LDL relative to HDL can be decreased by exercise, not smoking, and avoiding foods with *trans* fats

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- **Hypertension**, or high blood pressure, promotes atherosclerosis and increases the risk of heart attack and stroke
  - Hypertension can be reduced by dietary changes, exercise, and/or medication

## Concept 42.5: Gas exchange occurs across specialized respiratory surfaces

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- **Gas exchange** supplies oxygen for cellular respiration and disposes of carbon dioxide

# Partial Pressure Gradients in Gas Exchange

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- Gases diffuse down pressure gradients in the lungs and other organs as a result of differences in partial pressure
- **Partial pressure** is the pressure exerted by a particular gas in a mixture of gases

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- A gas diffuses from a region of higher partial pressure to a region of lower partial pressure
  - In the lungs and tissues,  $O_2$  and  $CO_2$  diffuse from where their partial pressures are higher to where they are lower

# Respiratory Media

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- Animals can use air or water as a source of  $O_2$ , or respiratory medium
- In a given volume, there is less  $O_2$  available in water than in air
- Obtaining  $O_2$  from water requires greater efficiency than air breathing



# Respiratory Surfaces

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- Animals require large, moist respiratory surfaces for exchange of gases between their cells and the respiratory medium, either air or water
- Gas exchange across respiratory surfaces takes place by diffusion
- Respiratory surfaces vary by animal and can include the outer surface, skin, gills, tracheae, and lungs

# Gills in Aquatic Animals

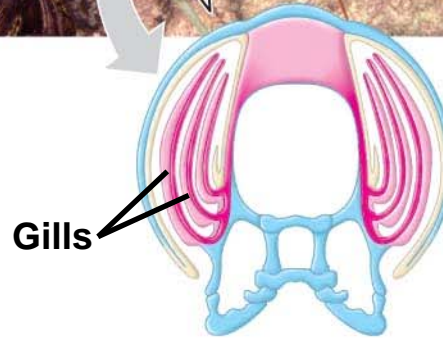
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- Gills are outfoldings of the body that create a large surface area for gas exchange



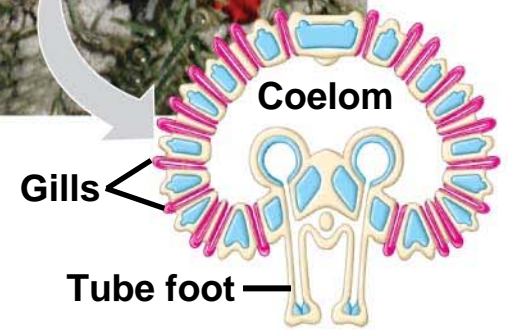
Parapodium (functions as gill)

(a) Marine worm



Gills

(b) Crayfish

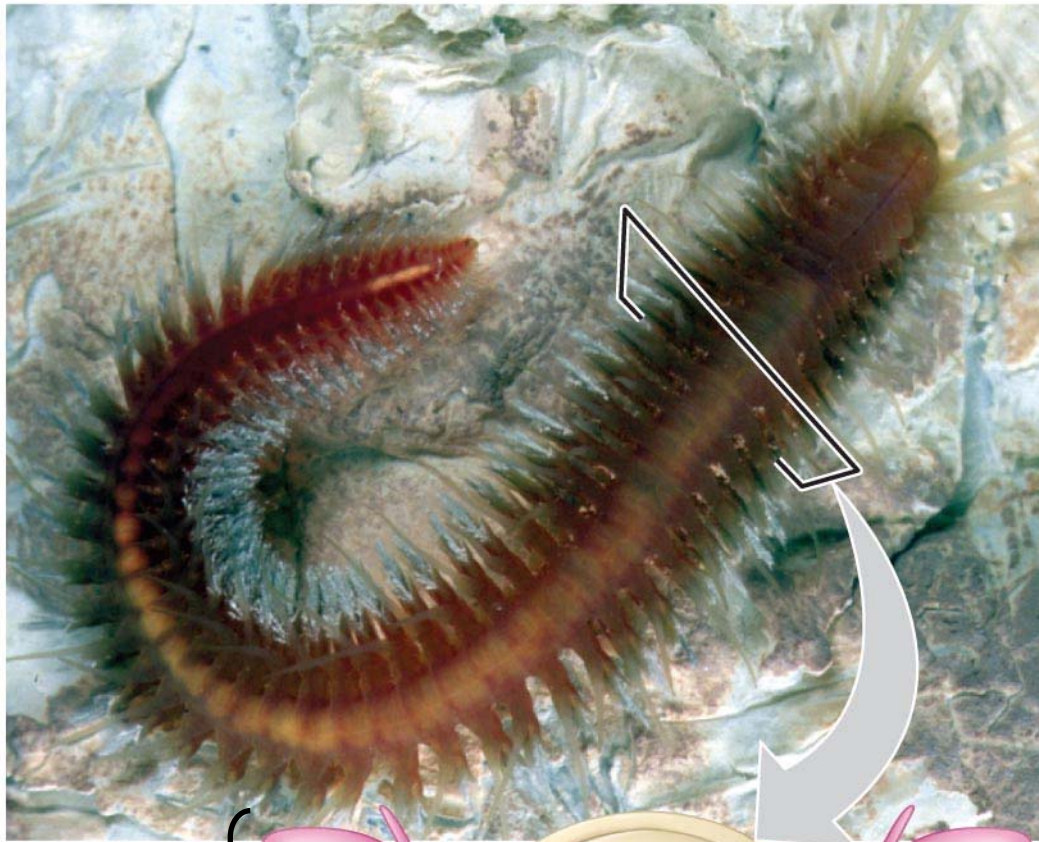


Gills

Tube foot

(c) Sea star

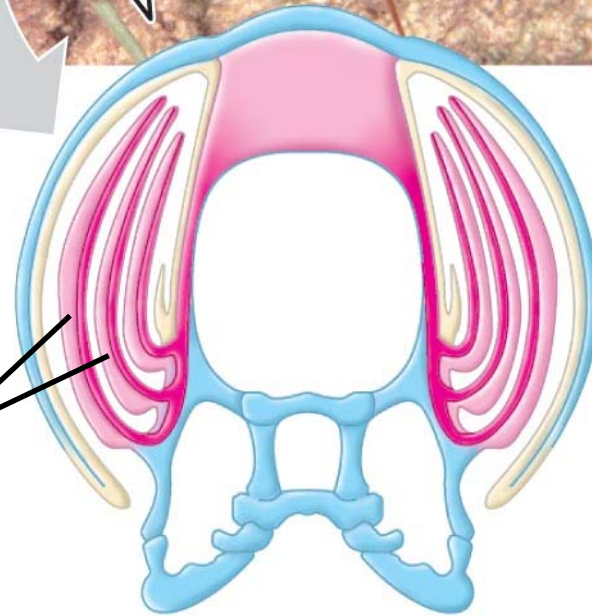
Fig. 42-21a



**Parapodium (functions as gill)**

**(a) Marine worm**

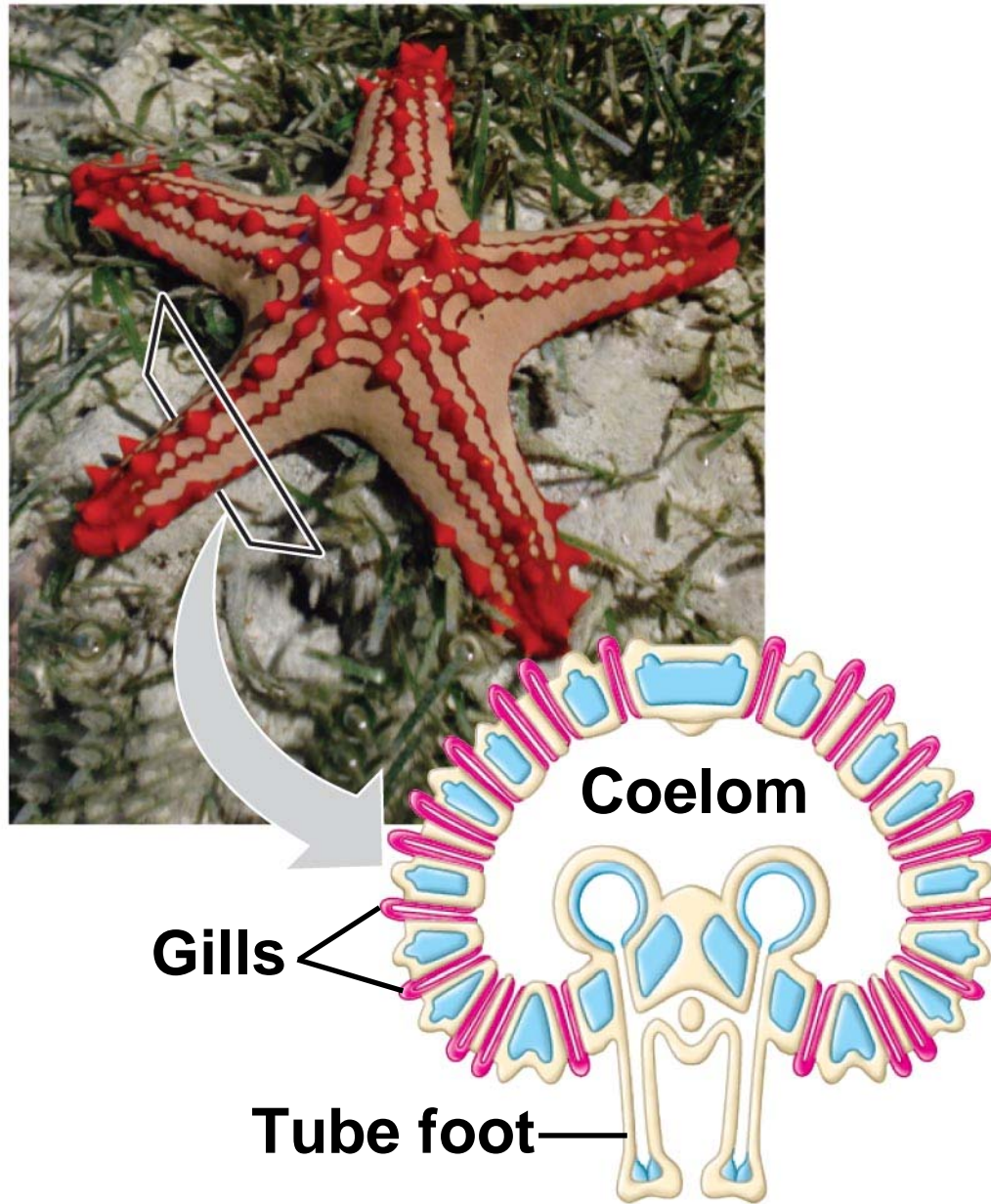
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**Gills**

## **(b) Crayfish**

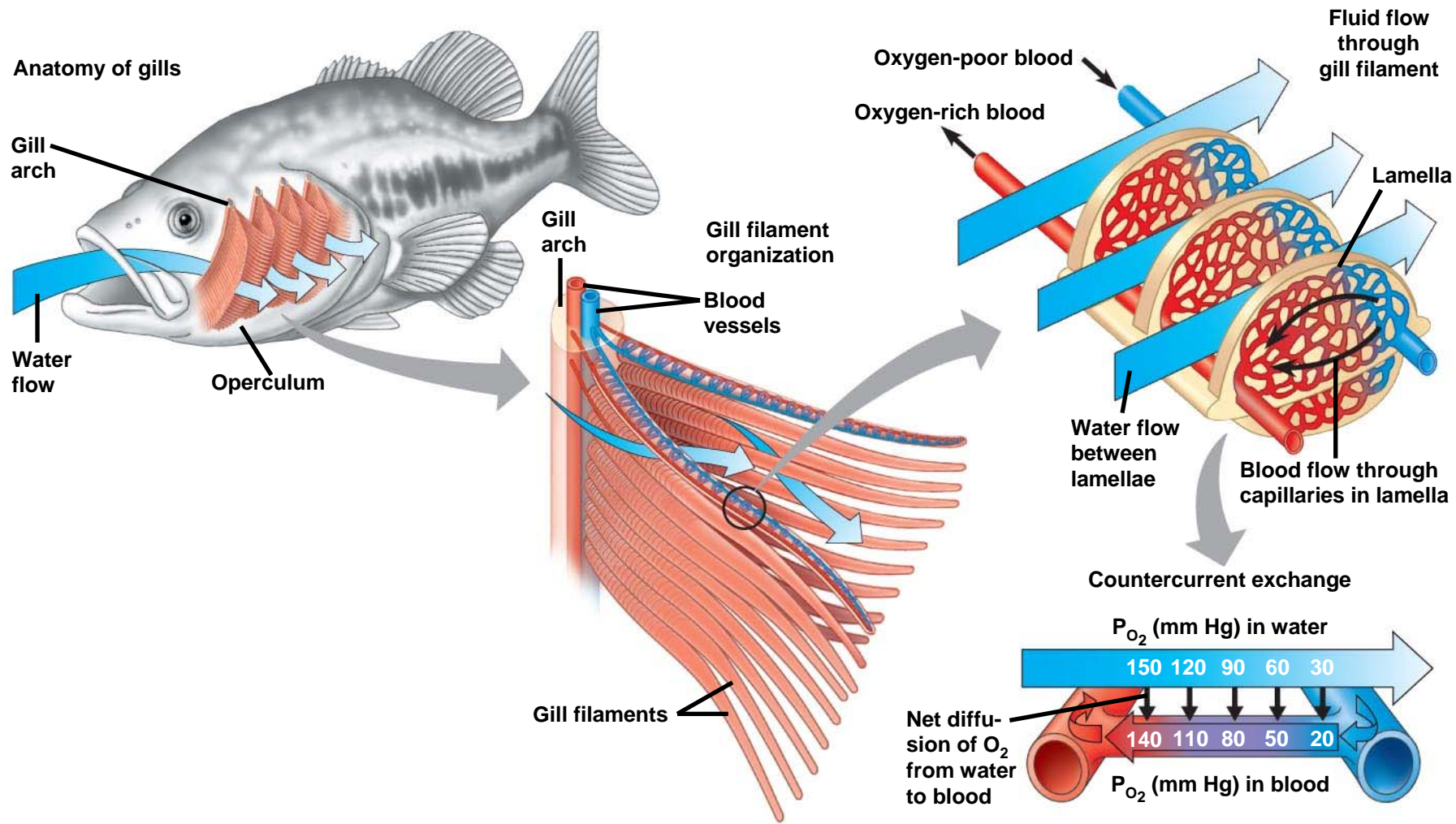
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**(c) Sea star**

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- **Ventilation** moves the respiratory medium over the respiratory surface
  - Aquatic animals move through water or move water over their gills for ventilation
  - Fish gills use a **countercurrent exchange** system, where blood flows in the opposite direction to water passing over the gills; blood is always less saturated with O<sub>2</sub> than the water it meets

Fig. 42-22



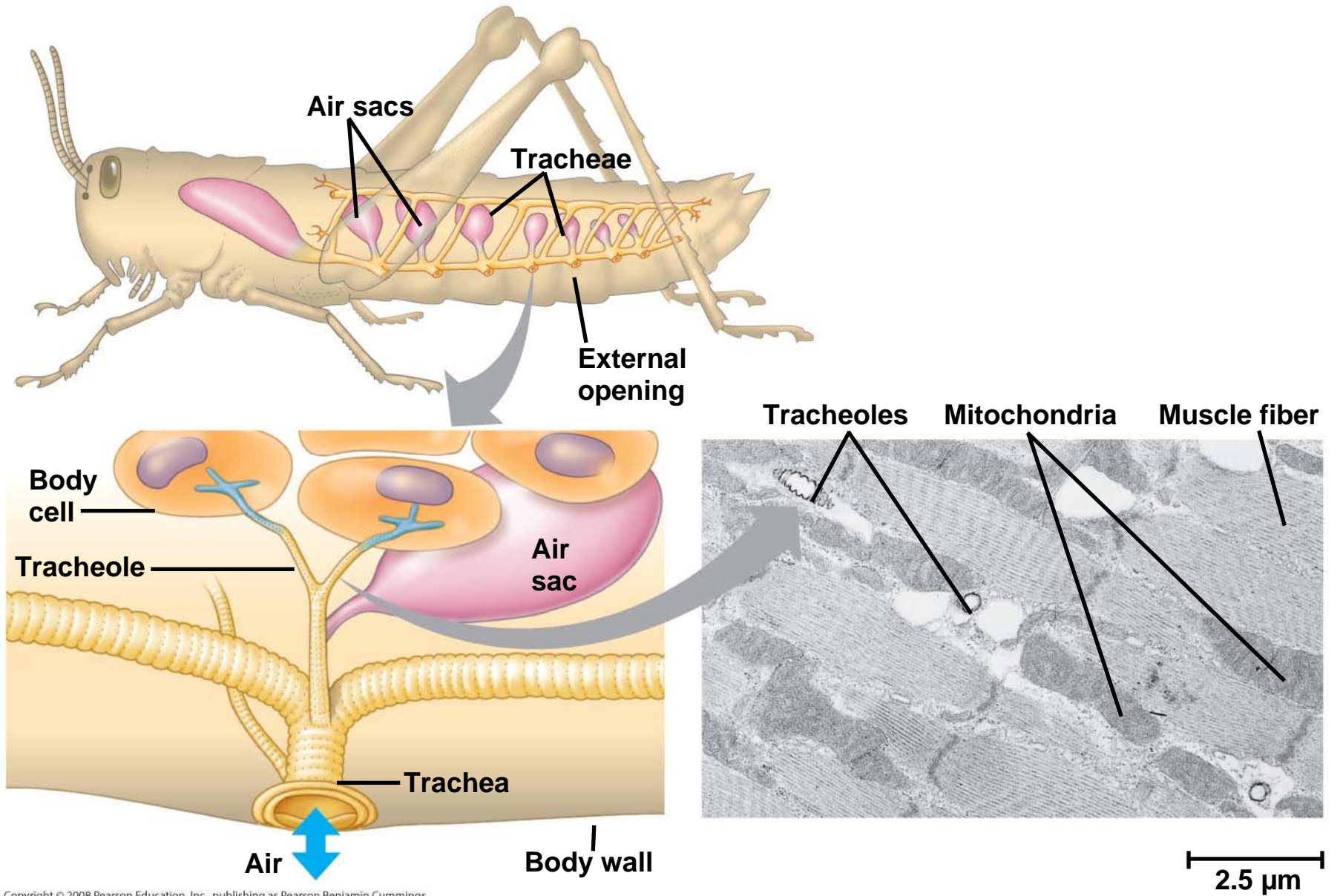


# Tracheal Systems in Insects

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- The **tracheal system** of insects consists of tiny branching tubes that penetrate the body
- The tracheal tubes supply  $O_2$  directly to body cells
- The respiratory and circulatory systems are separate
- Larger insects must ventilate their tracheal system to meet  $O_2$  demands

Fig. 42-23



# Lungs

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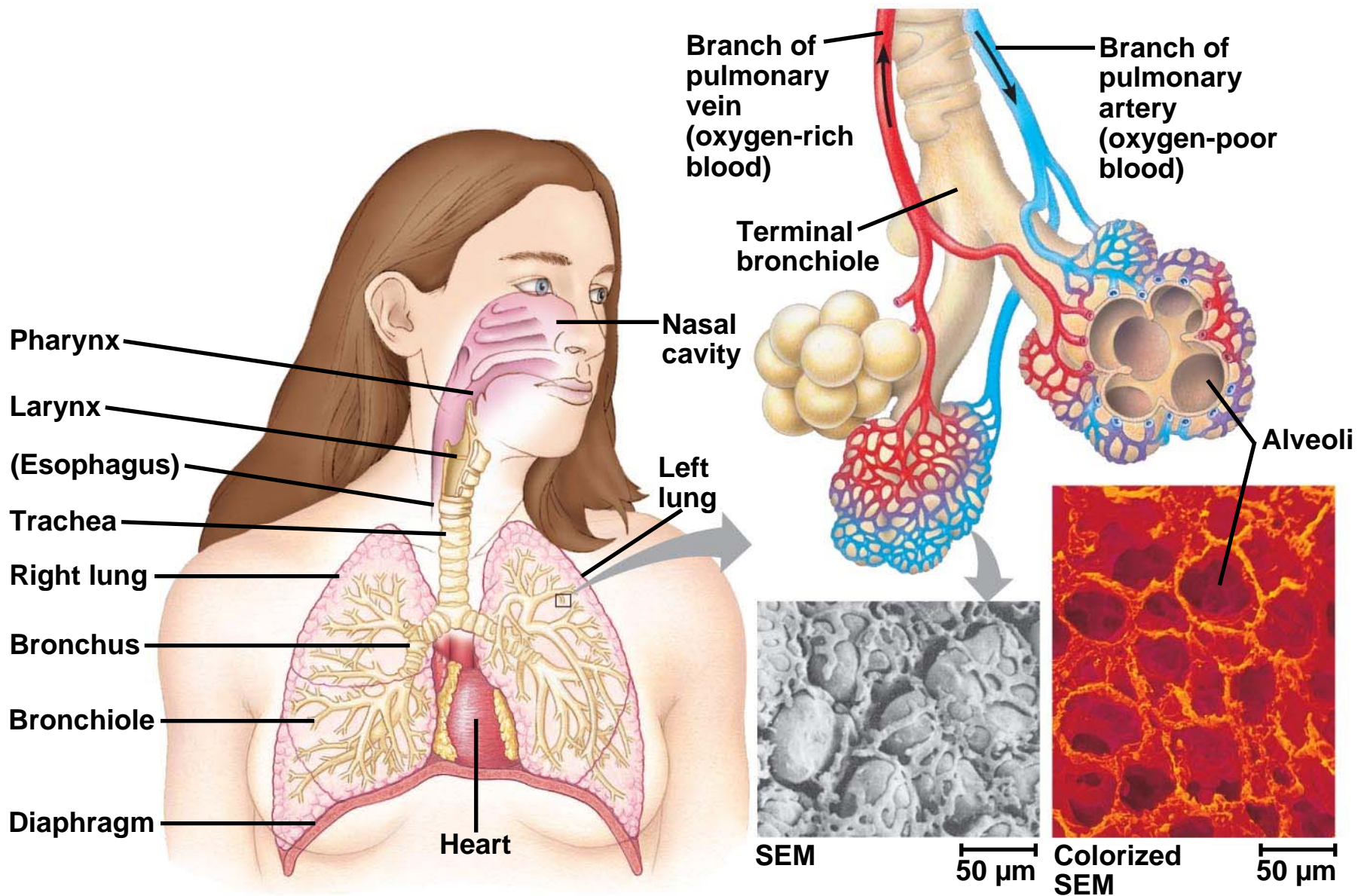
- **Lungs** are an infolding of the body surface
- The circulatory system (open or closed) transports gases between the lungs and the rest of the body
- The size and complexity of lungs correlate with an animal's metabolic rate

# *Mammalian Respiratory Systems: A Closer Look*

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- A system of branching ducts conveys air to the lungs
- Air inhaled through the nostrils passes through the pharynx via the **larynx**, **trachea**, **bronchi**, **bronchioles**, and **alveoli**, where gas exchange occurs
- Exhaled air passes over the **vocal cords** to create sounds
- Secretions called **surfactants** coat the surface of the alveoli

Fig. 42-24



# Concept 42.6: Breathing ventilates the lungs

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- The process that ventilates the lungs is **breathing**, the alternate inhalation and exhalation of air

# How an Amphibian Breathes

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- An amphibian such as a frog ventilates its lungs by **positive pressure breathing**, which forces air down the trachea

# How a Mammal Breathes

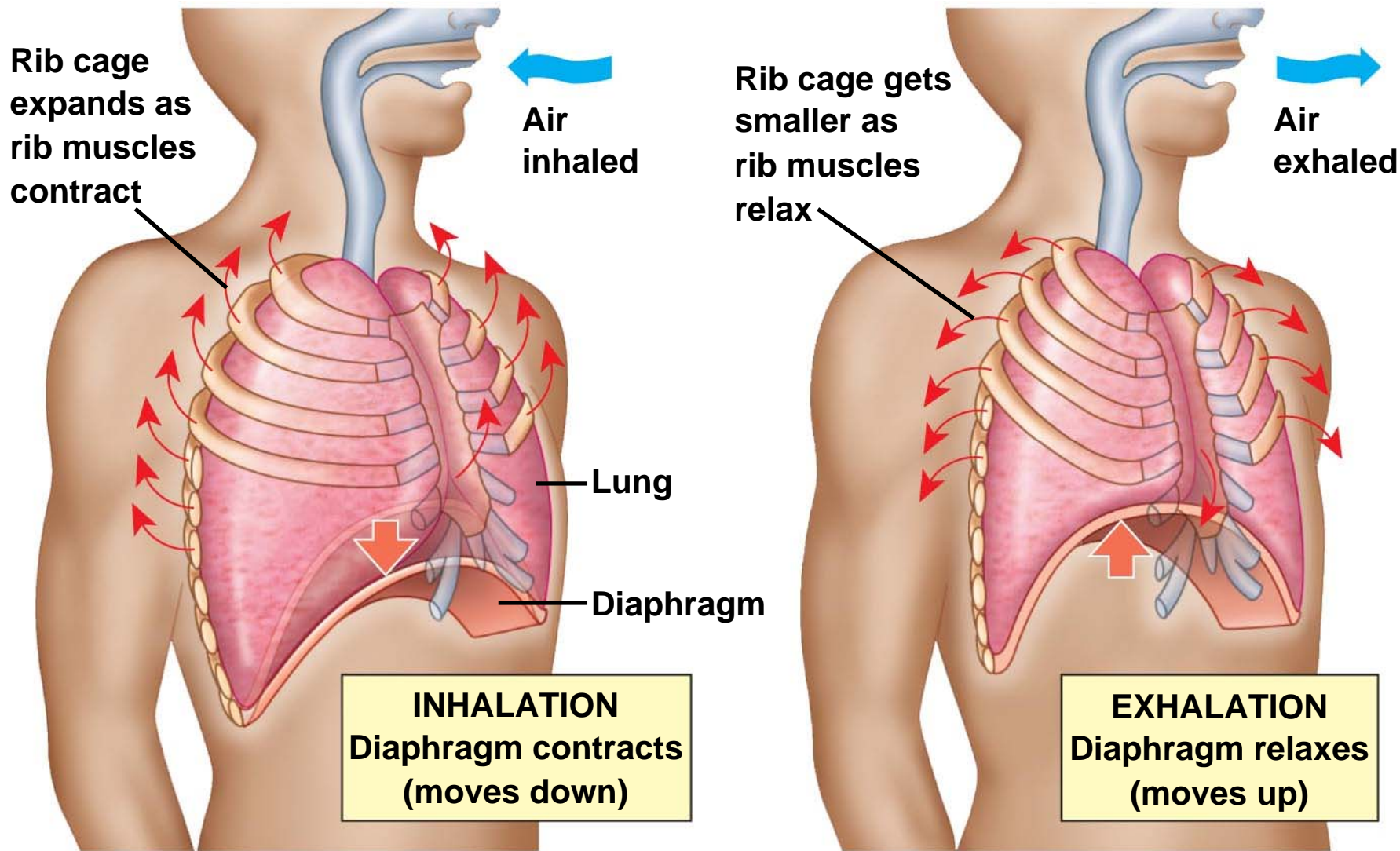
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- Mammals ventilate their lungs by **negative pressure breathing**, which pulls air into the lungs
- Lung volume increases as the rib muscles and **diaphragm** contract
- The **tidal volume** is the volume of air inhaled with each breath



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- The maximum tidal volume is the **vital capacity**
  - After exhalation, a **residual volume** of air remains in the lungs

Fig. 42-25

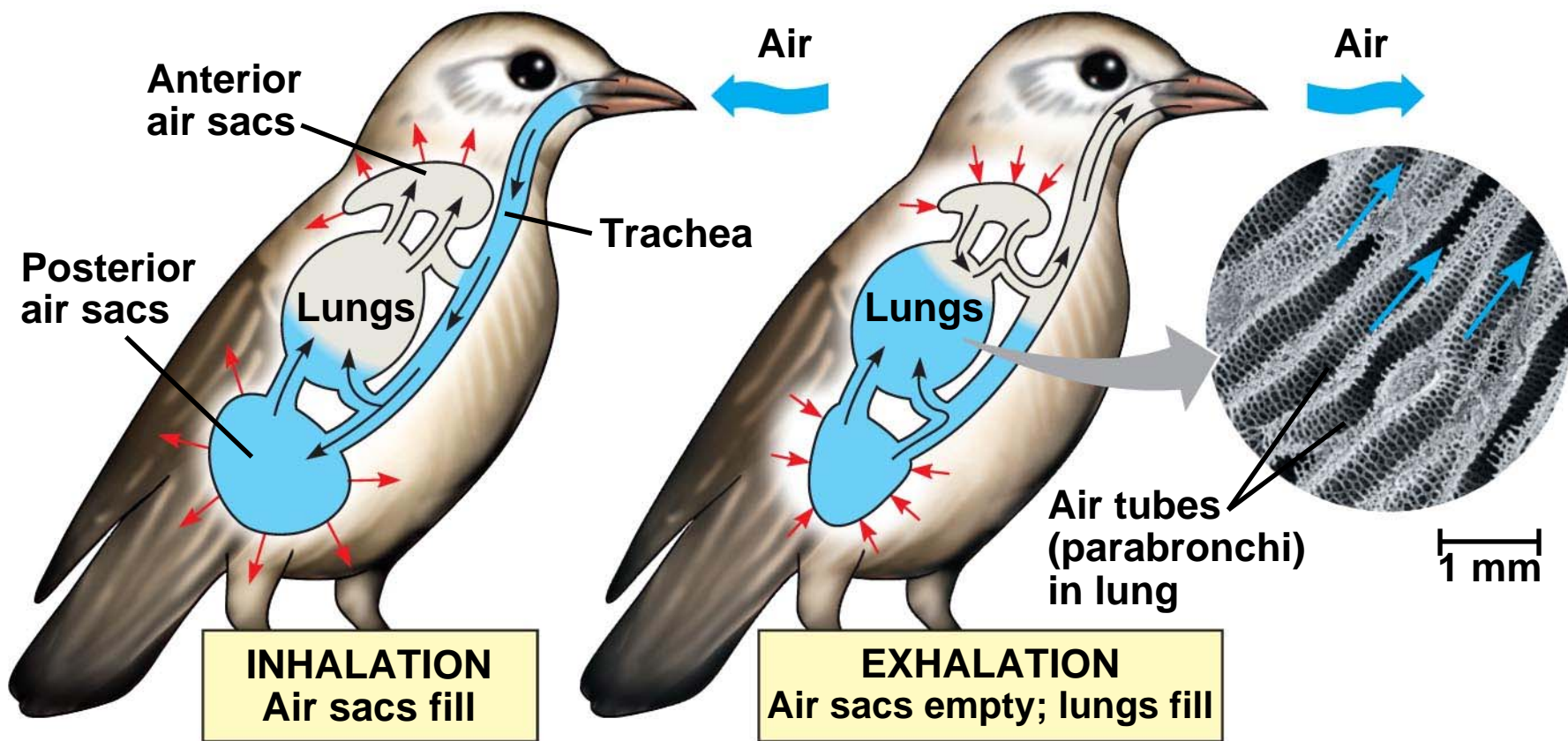


# How a Bird Breathes

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- Birds have eight or nine air sacs that function as bellows that keep air flowing through the lungs
- Air passes through the lungs in one direction only
- Every exhalation completely renews the air in the lungs

Fig. 42-26



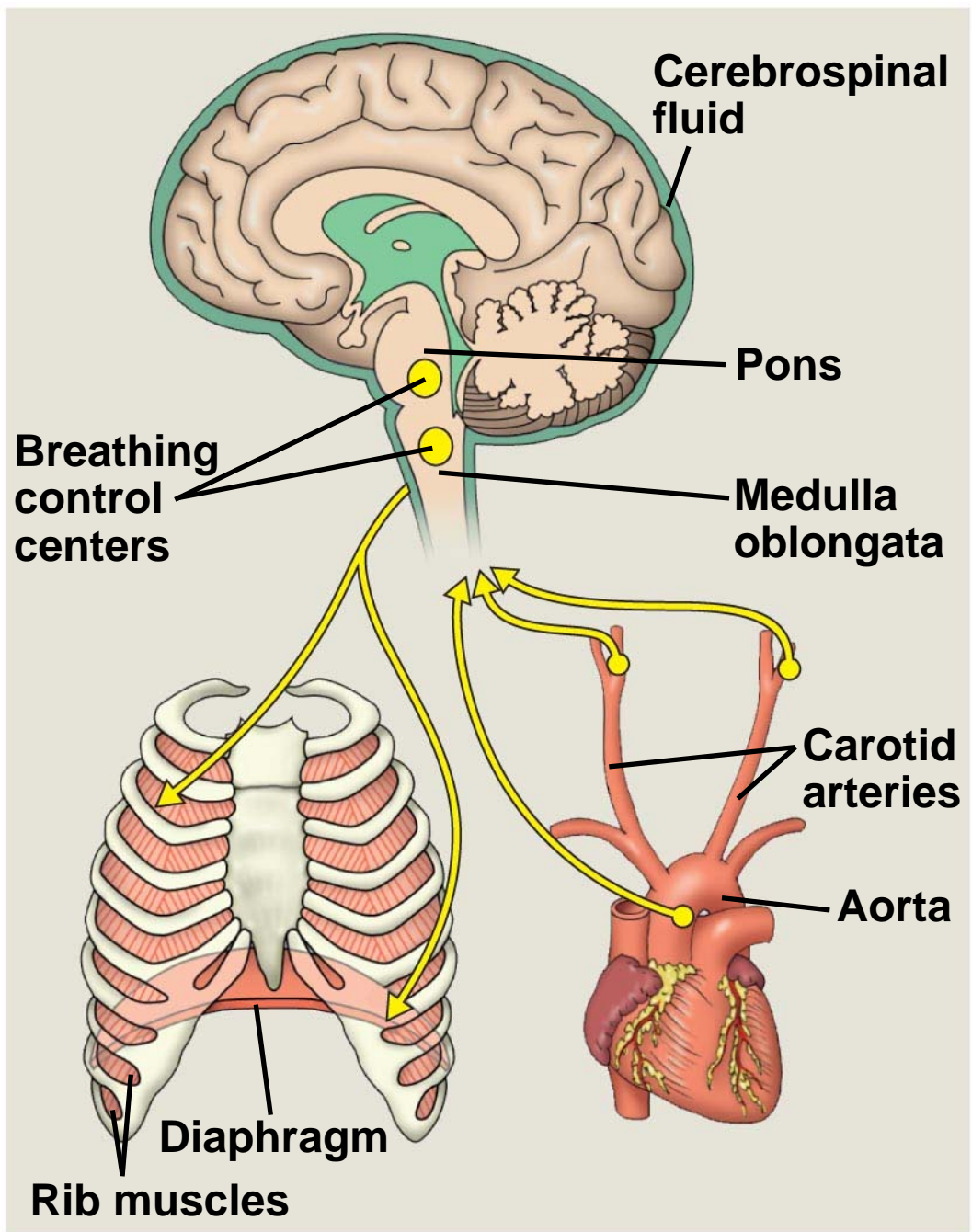
# Control of Breathing in Humans

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- In humans, the main **breathing control centers** are in two regions of the brain, the medulla oblongata and the pons
- The medulla regulates the rate and depth of breathing in response to pH changes in the cerebrospinal fluid
- The medulla adjusts breathing rate and depth to match metabolic demands
- The pons regulates the tempo

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- Sensors in the aorta and carotid arteries monitor  $O_2$  and  $CO_2$  concentrations in the blood
  - These sensors exert secondary control over breathing

Fig. 42-27



## Concept 42.7: Adaptations for gas exchange include pigments that bind and transport gases

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- The metabolic demands of many organisms require that the blood transport large quantities of O<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub>

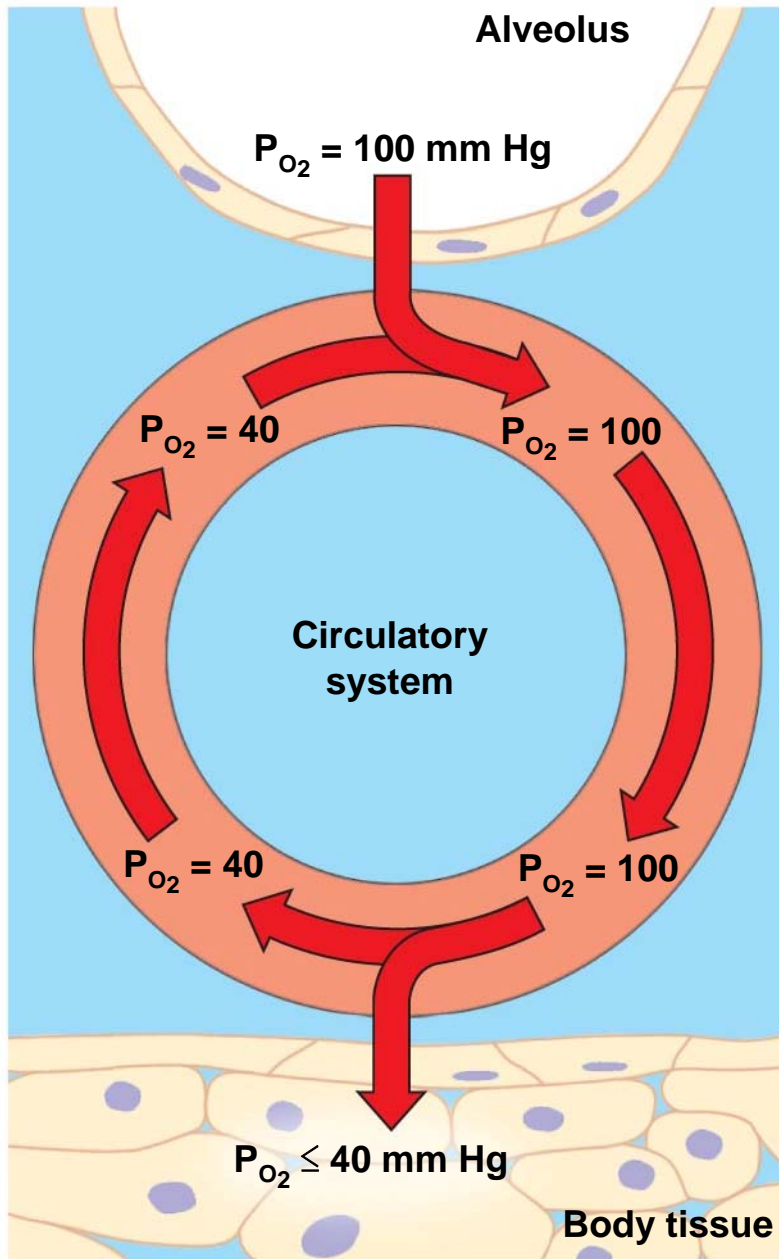


# Coordination of Circulation and Gas Exchange

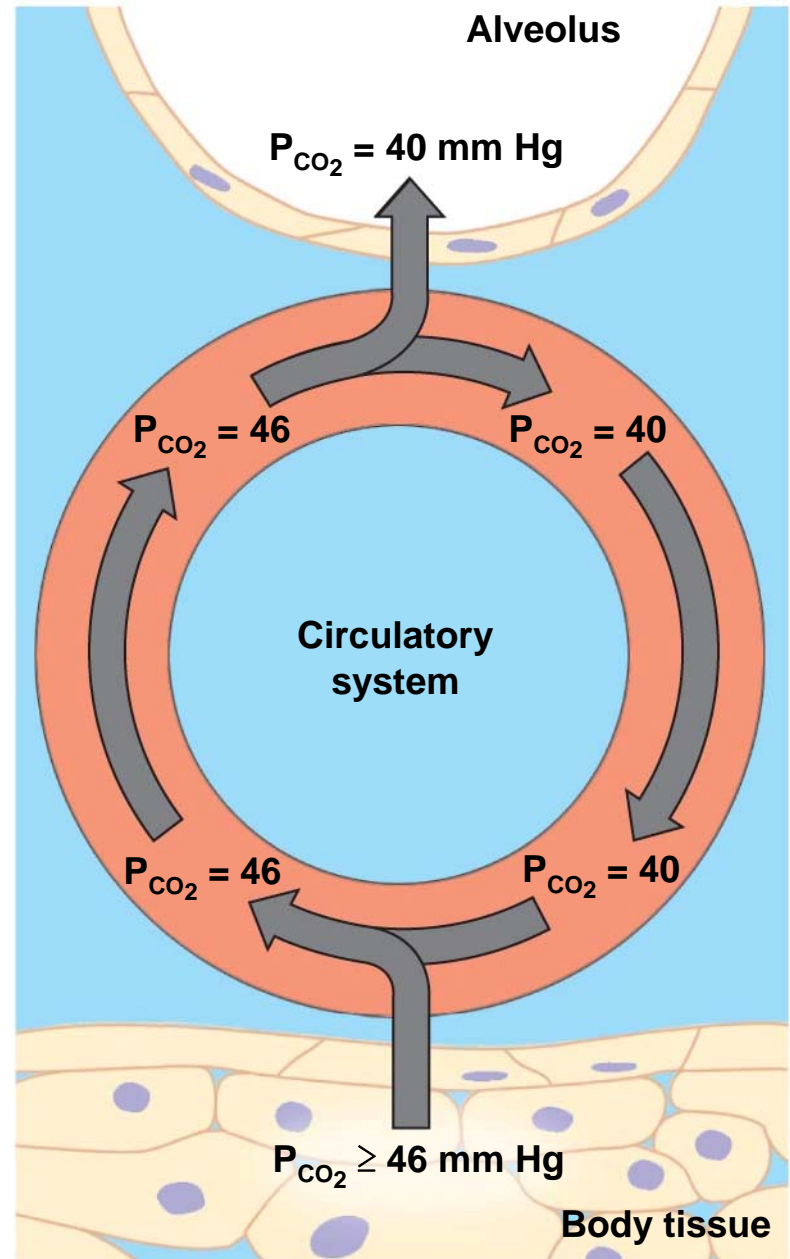
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- Blood arriving in the lungs has a low partial pressure of  $O_2$  and a high partial pressure of  $CO_2$  relative to air in the alveoli
- In the alveoli,  $O_2$  diffuses into the blood and  $CO_2$  diffuses into the air
- In tissue capillaries, partial pressure gradients favor diffusion of  $O_2$  into the interstitial fluids and  $CO_2$  into the blood

Fig. 42-28



(a) Oxygen



(b) Carbon dioxide

# Respiratory Pigments

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- **Respiratory pigments**, proteins that transport oxygen, greatly increase the amount of oxygen that blood can carry
- Arthropods and many molluscs have hemocyanin with copper as the oxygen-binding component
- Most vertebrates and some invertebrates use hemoglobin contained within erythrocytes

# *Hemoglobin*

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- A single hemoglobin molecule can carry four molecules of  $O_2$
- The hemoglobin dissociation curve shows that a small change in the partial pressure of oxygen can result in a large change in delivery of  $O_2$
- $CO_2$  produced during cellular respiration lowers blood pH and decreases the affinity of hemoglobin for  $O_2$ ; this is called the **Bohr shift**

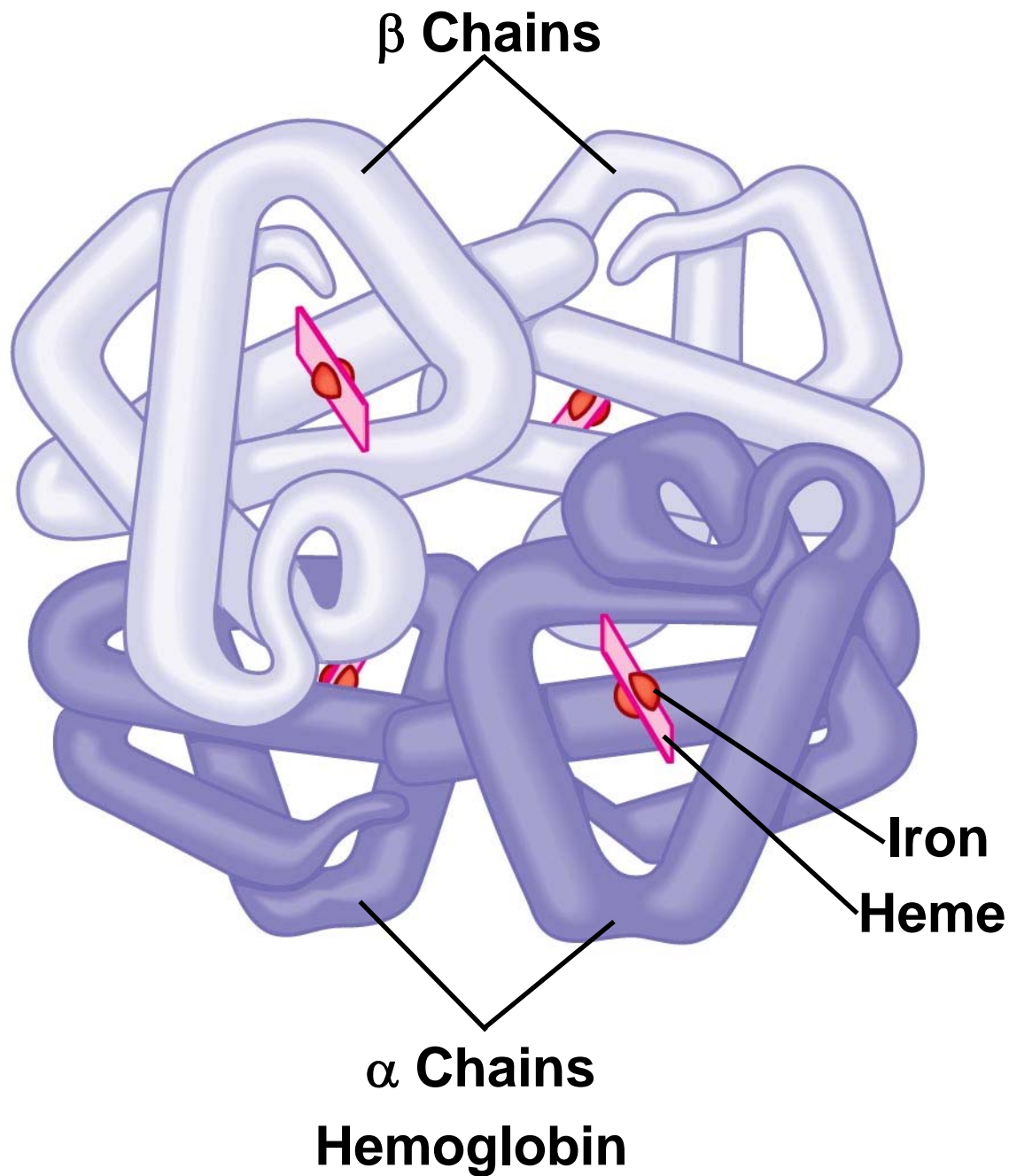
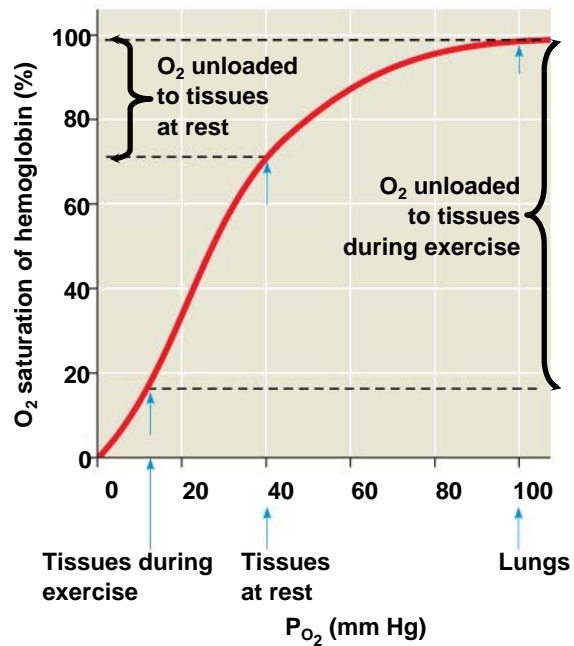
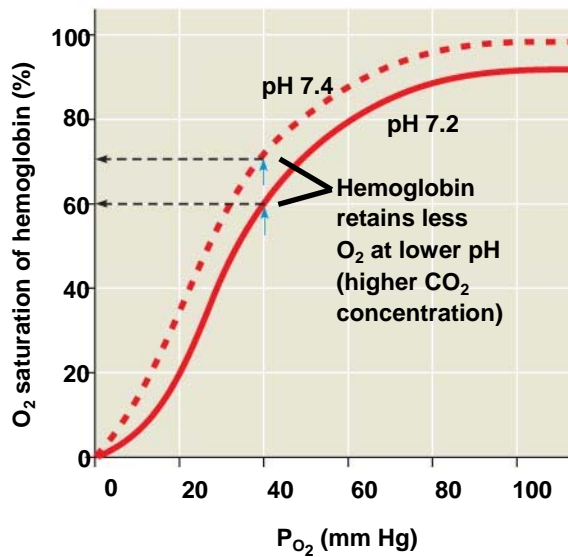


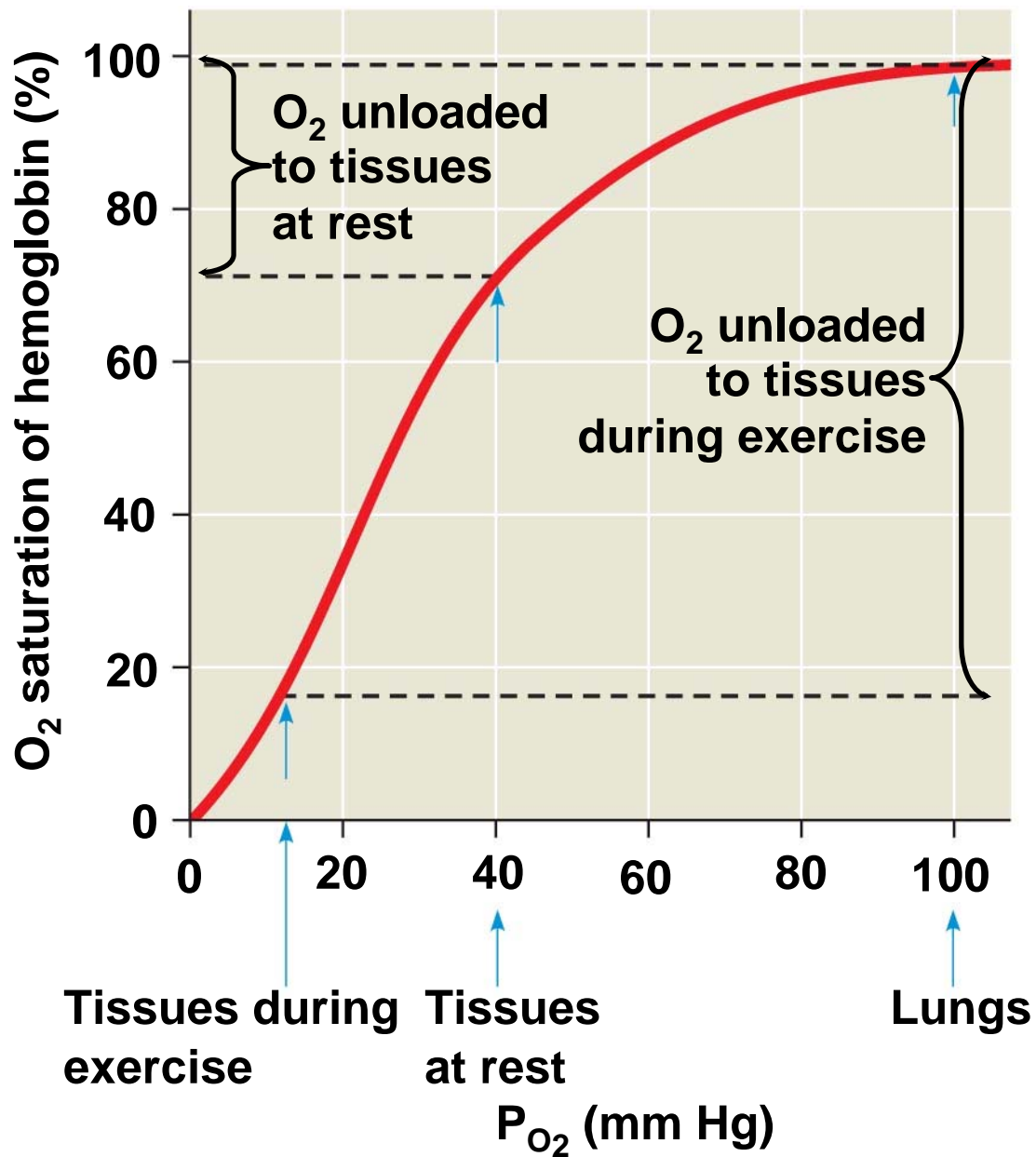
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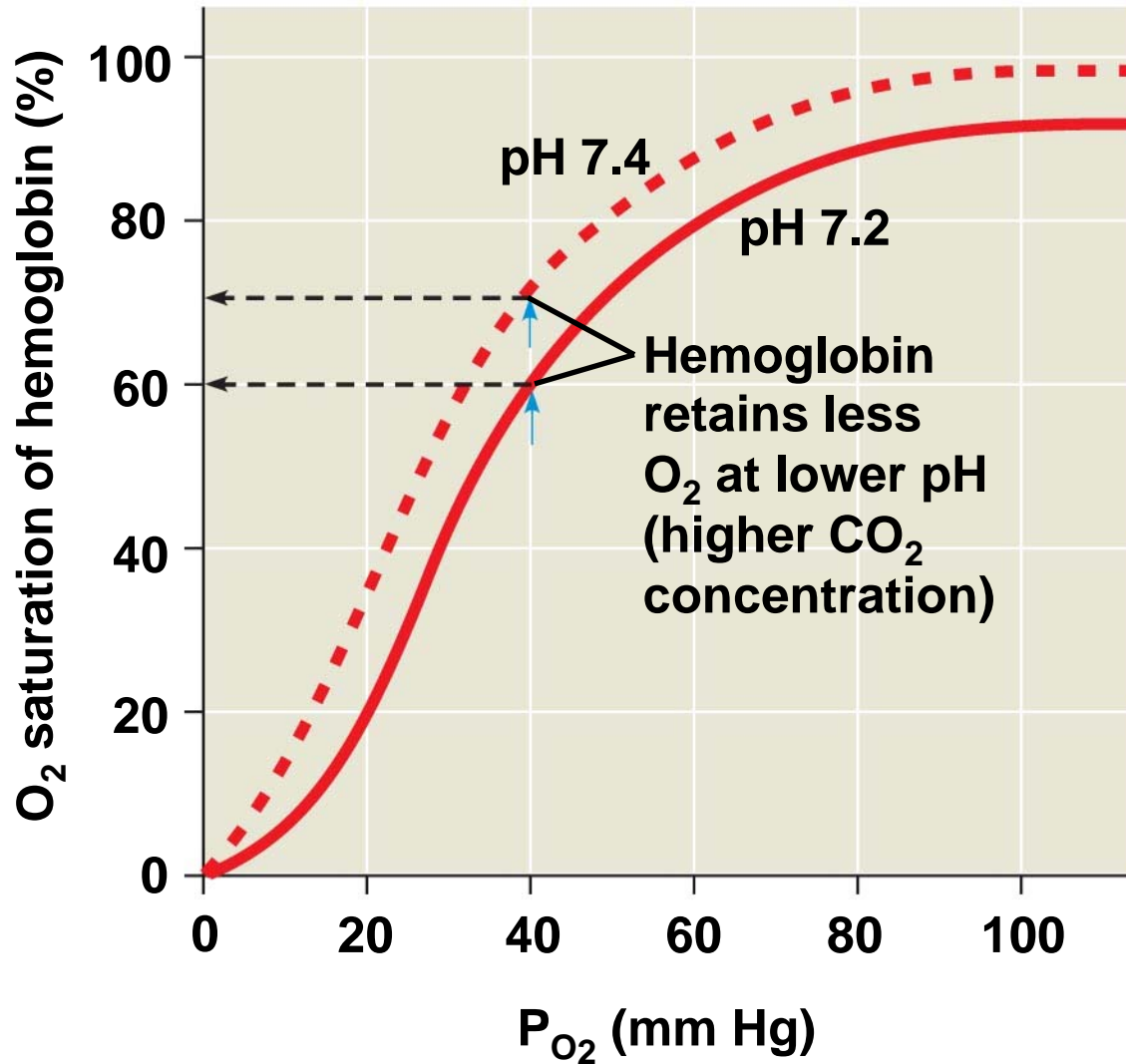
(a) P<sub>O<sub>2</sub></sub> and hemoglobin dissociation at pH 7.4



(b) pH and hemoglobin dissociation



(a)  $P_{O_2}$  and hemoglobin dissociation at pH 7.4



**(b) pH and hemoglobin dissociation**



# Carbon Dioxide Transport

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- Hemoglobin also helps transport  $\text{CO}_2$  and assists in buffering
- $\text{CO}_2$  from respiring cells diffuses into the blood and is transported either in blood plasma, bound to hemoglobin, or as bicarbonate ions ( $\text{HCO}_3^-$ )

**PLAY**

Animation:  $\text{O}_2$  from Blood to Tissues

**PLAY**

Animation:  $\text{CO}_2$  from Tissues to Blood

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Animation:  $\text{CO}_2$  from Blood to Lungs

**PLAY**

Animation:  $\text{O}_2$  from Lungs to Blood

Fig. 42-30

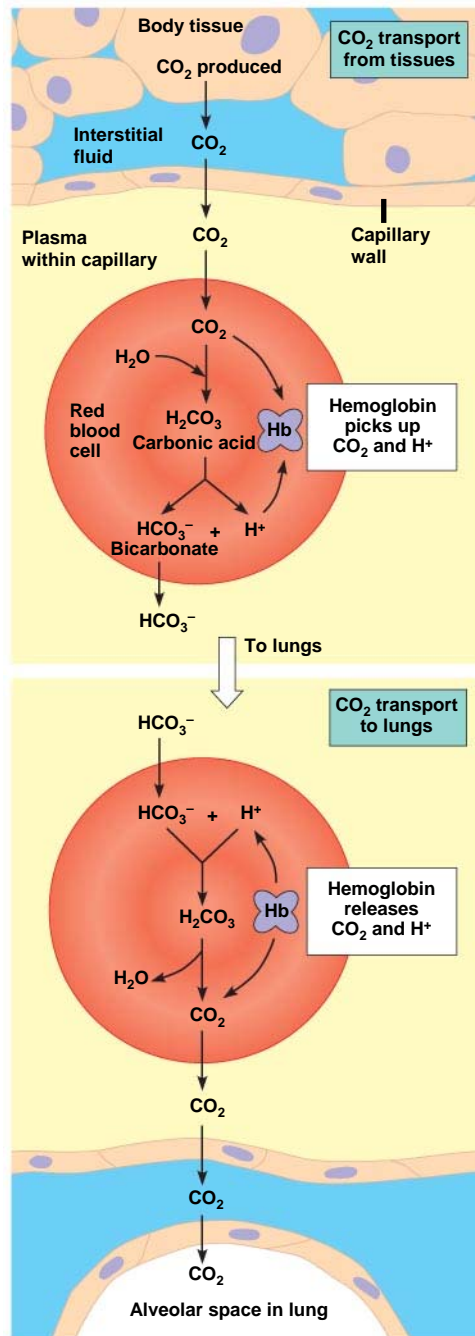


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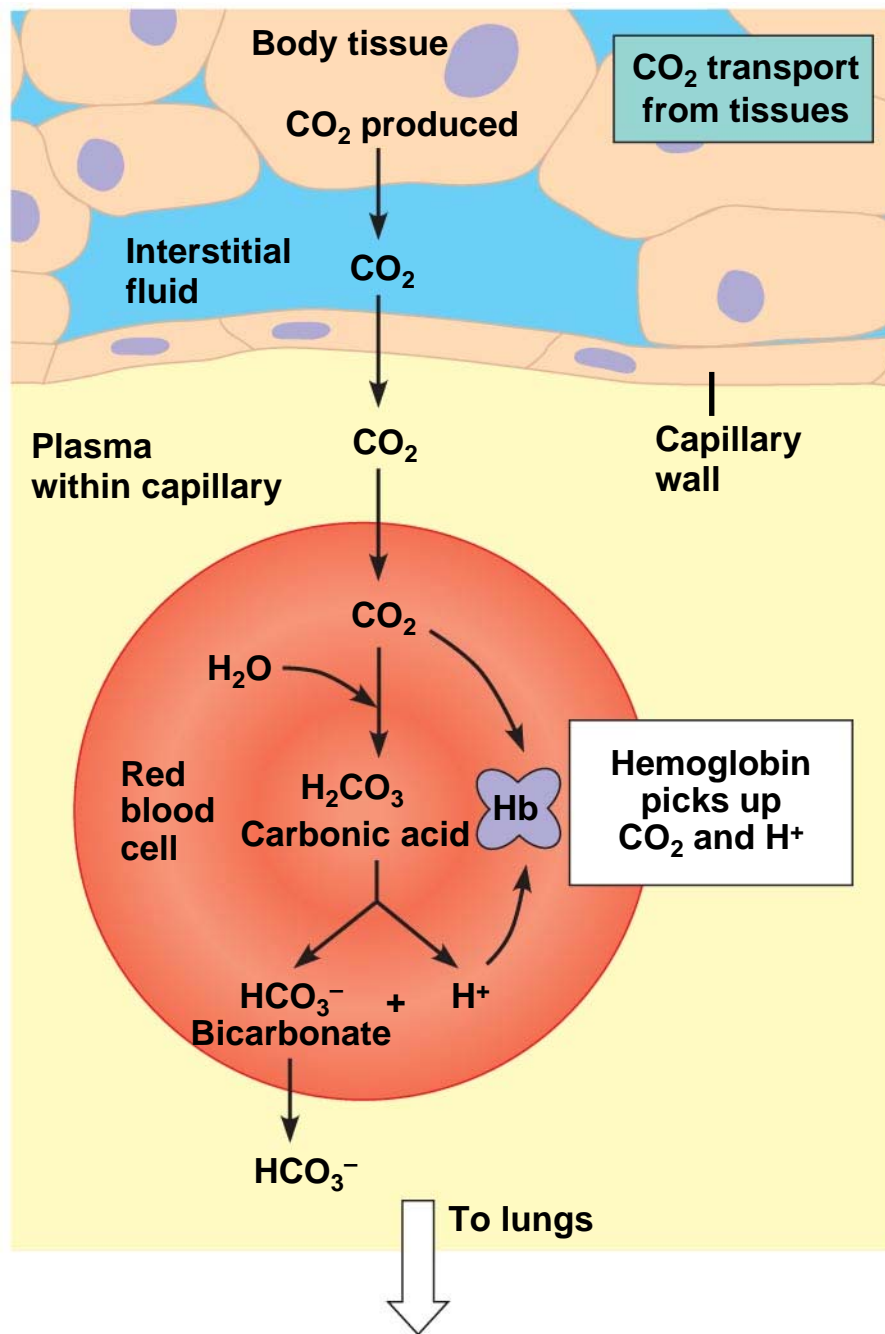
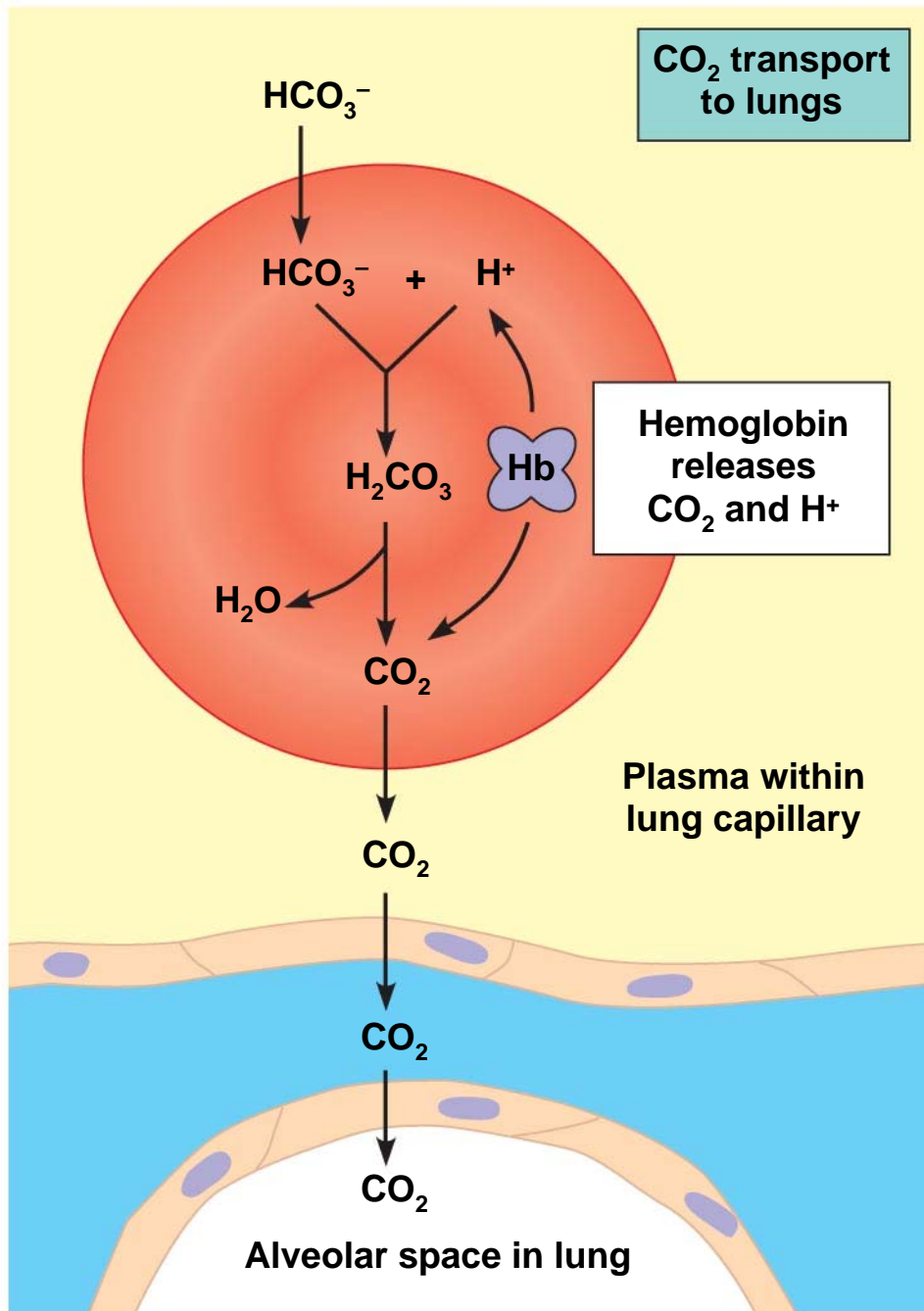


Fig. 42-30b



# Elite Animal Athletes

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- Migratory and diving mammals have evolutionary adaptations that allow them to perform extraordinary feats

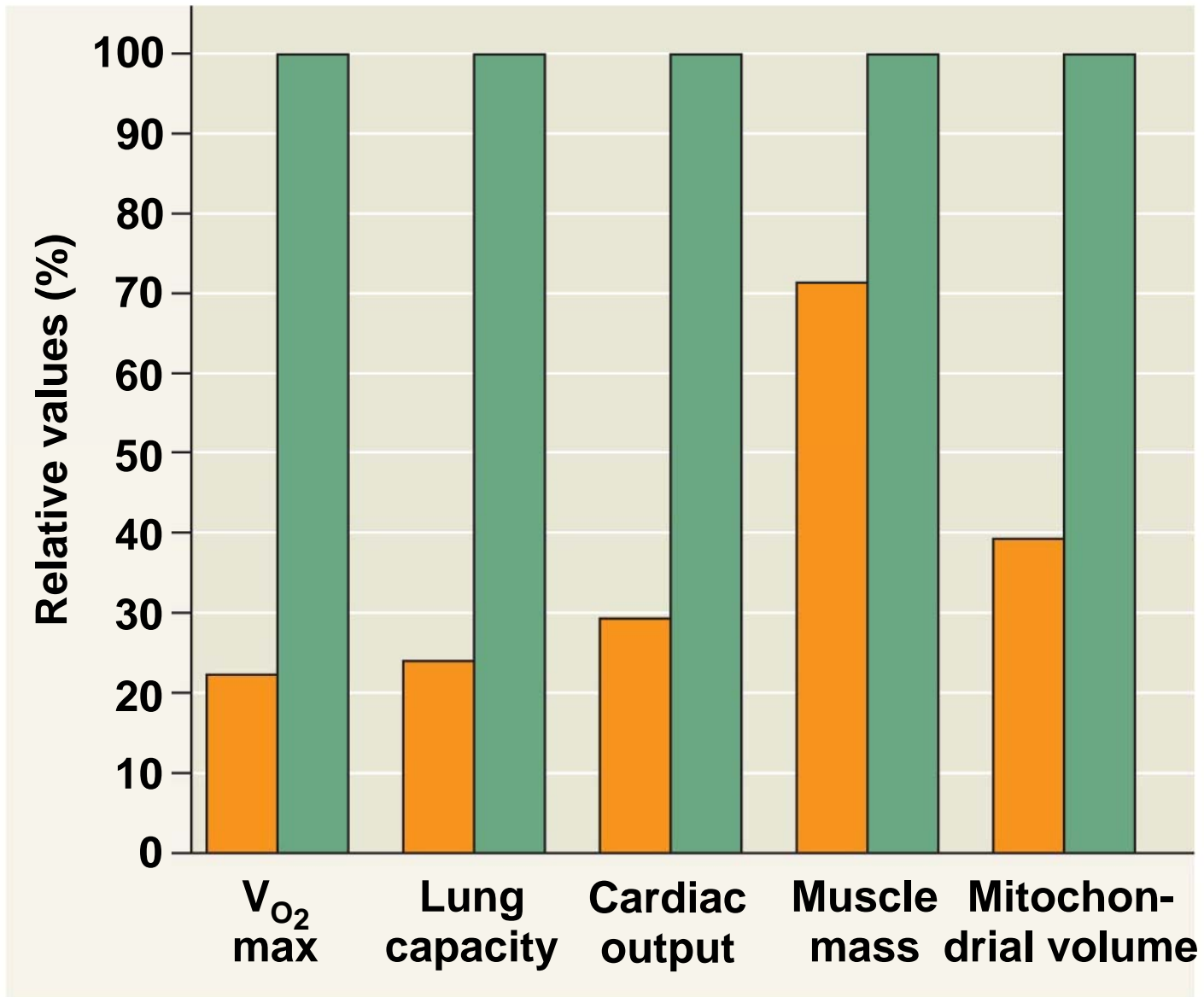
# *The Ultimate Endurance Runner*

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- The extreme O<sub>2</sub> consumption of the antelope-like pronghorn underlies its ability to run at high speed over long distances

**RESULTS**

Goat  
Pronghorn



# *Diving Mammals*

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- Deep-diving air breathers stockpile O<sub>2</sub> and deplete it slowly
- Weddell seals have a high blood to body volume ratio and can store oxygen in their muscles in **myoglobin** proteins



Fig. 42-UN2

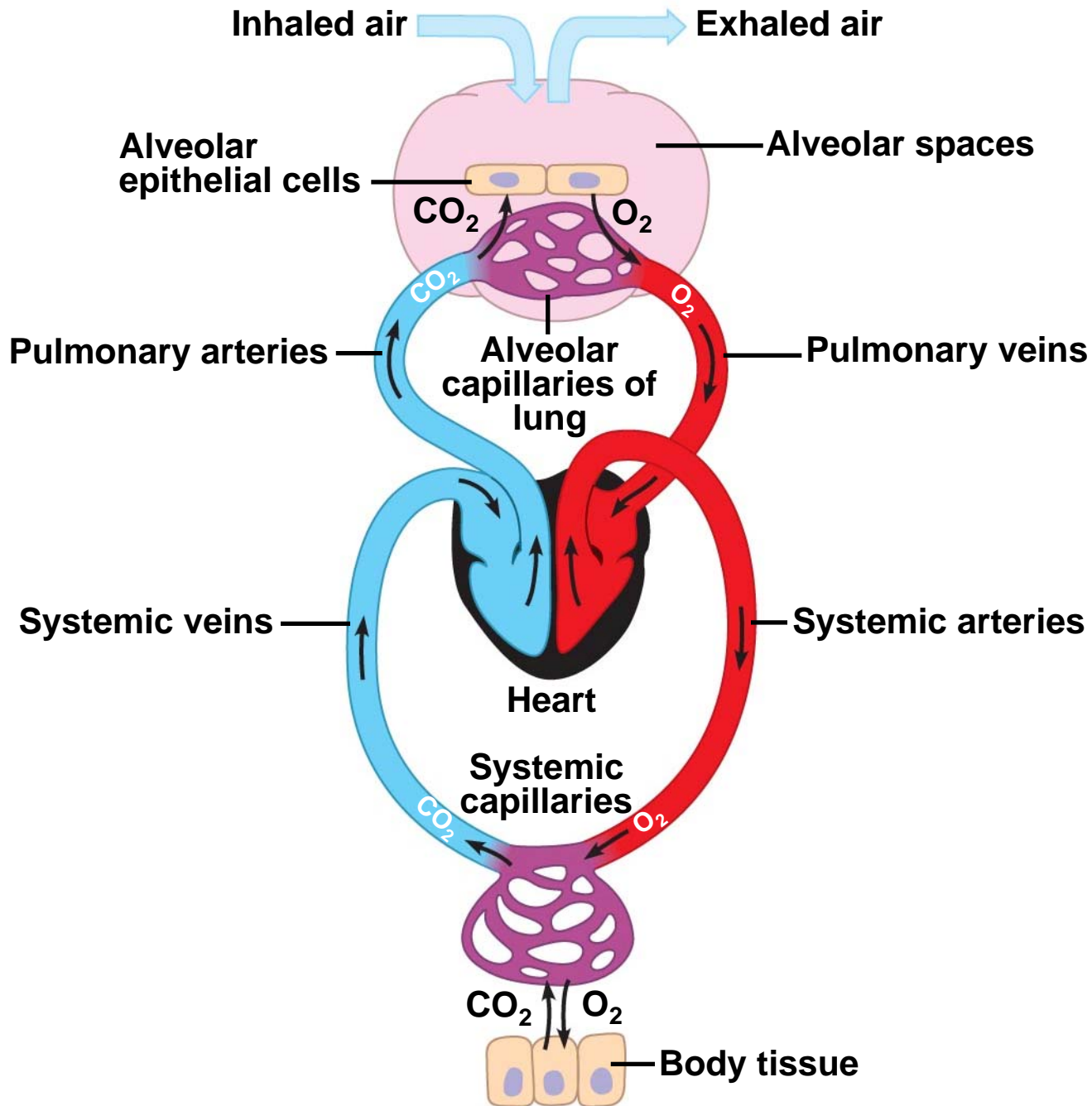
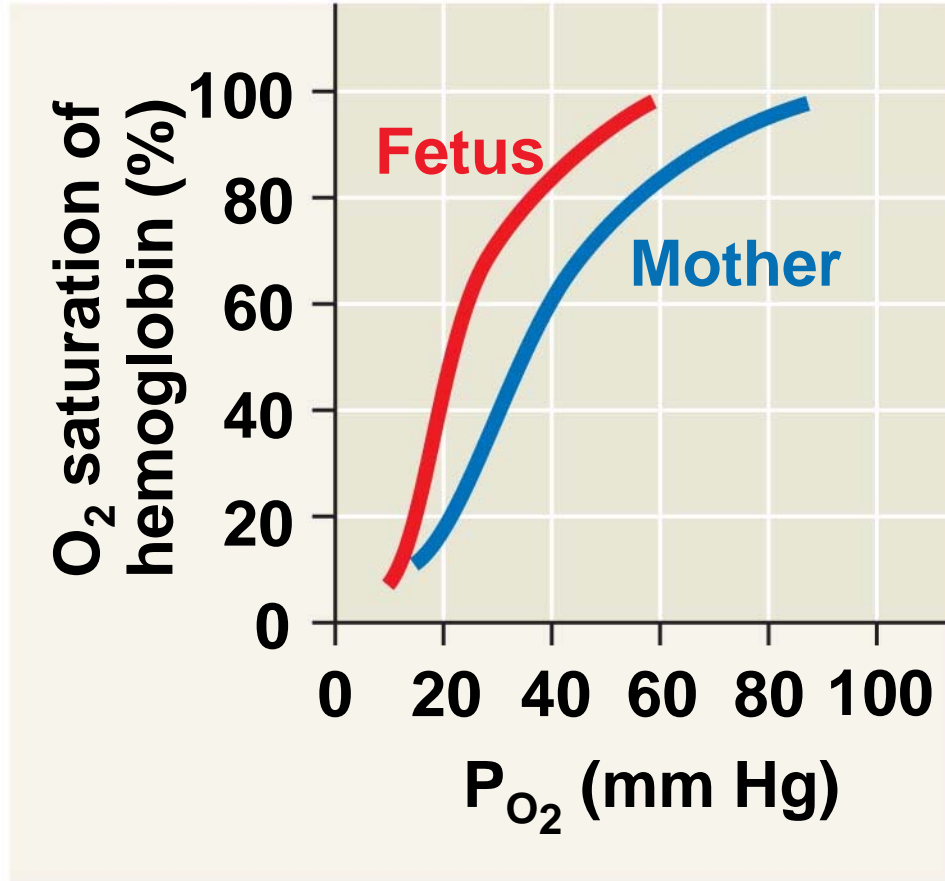
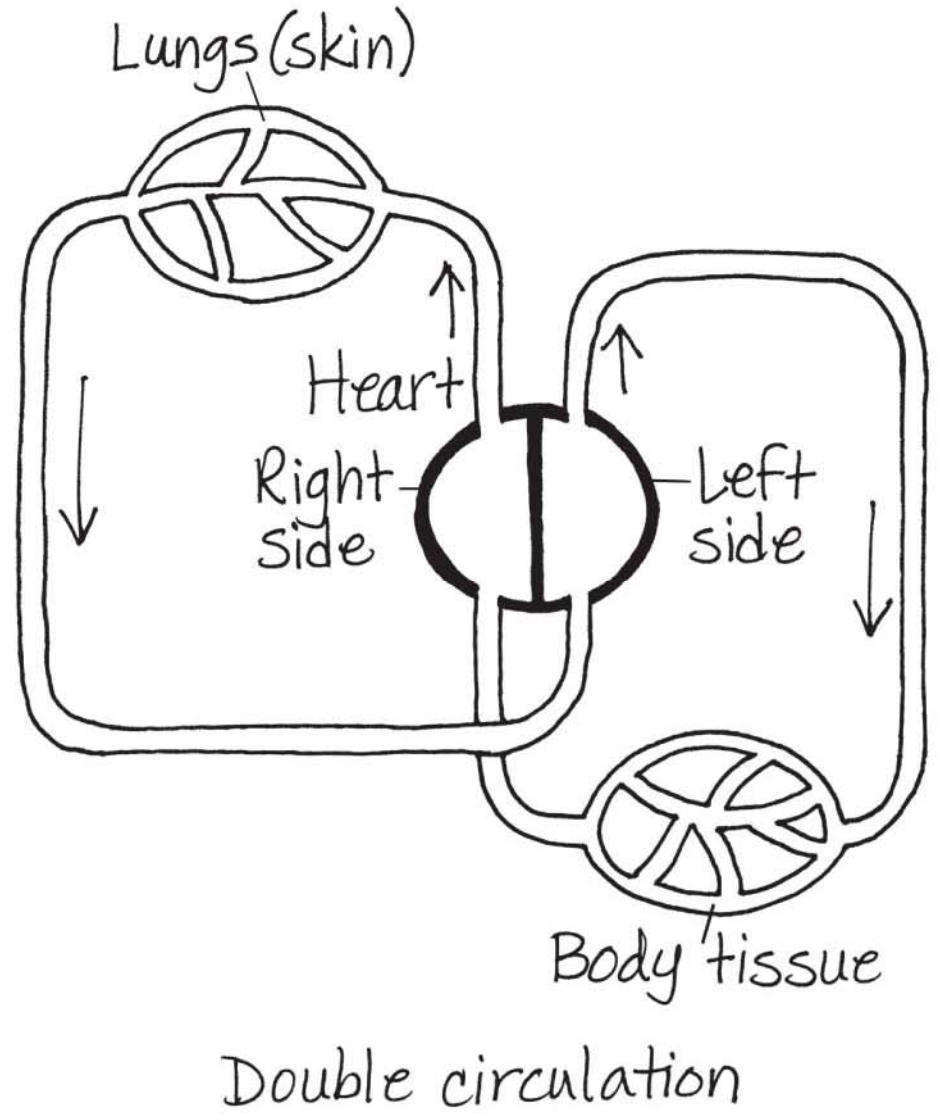
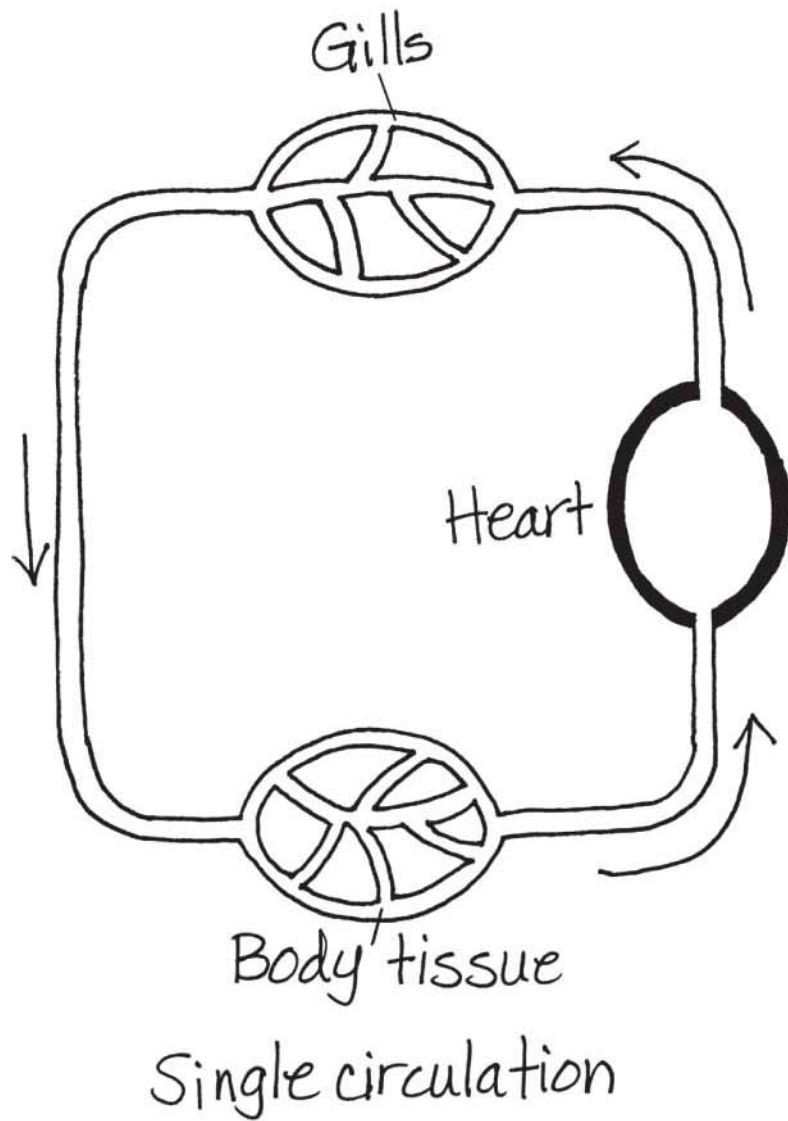


Fig. 42-UN3



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# You should now be able to:

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1. Compare and contrast open and closed circulatory systems
2. Compare and contrast the circulatory systems of fish, amphibians, non-bird reptiles, and mammals or birds
3. Distinguish between pulmonary and systemic circuits and explain the function of each
4. Trace the path of a red blood cell through the human heart, pulmonary circuit, and systemic circuit

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5. Define cardiac cycle and explain the role of the sinoatrial node
  6. Relate the structures of capillaries, arteries, and veins to their function
  7. Define blood pressure and cardiac output and describe two factors that influence each
  8. Explain how osmotic pressure and hydrostatic pressure regulate the exchange of fluid and solutes across the capillary walls

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9. Describe the role played by the lymphatic system in relation to the circulatory system
  10. Describe the function of erythrocytes, leukocytes, platelets, fibrin
  11. Distinguish between a heart attack and stroke
  12. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of water and of air as respiratory media

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13. For humans, describe the exchange of gases in the lungs and in tissues
  14. Draw and explain the hemoglobin-oxygen dissociation curve