

Chapter 35: Urinary System

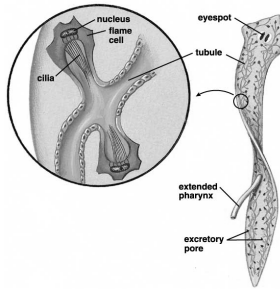


Urinary System: ('Excretory System')

Maintains
homeostatic
conditions within
body fluids

Types of Animal Excretory Systems:

1) Protonephridia (e.g. flatworms):



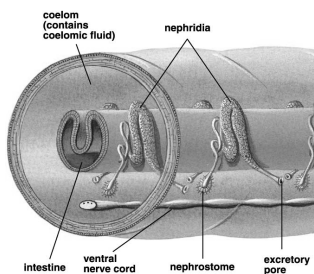
- **Flame Cells:**
 - Bulbous, ciliated cells; collect waste from body fluids
- **Tube Network:**
 - Convey waste to external pores
- Fluid moves via beating cilia

(Figure 35.1)

Types of Animal Excretory Systems:

2) Nephridia (e.g. earthworms, mollusks):

- **Nephrostome:** Funnel-shaped openings to body cavity; collect fluids
- Fluids pass into tube (movement = cilia)
- Nutrients / ions reabsorbed from tube into blood
- Waste (urine) expelled via excretory pores



(Figure 35.2)

Human Urinary System:

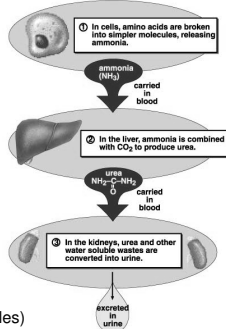
The human urinary system ain't just for pee'n...

Homeostatic Functions:

- 1) Maintain water balance
- 2) Regulate [ion] (Na^+ , K^+ , Ca^{++} , Cl^-)
- 3) Maintain blood pH
- 4) Maintain blood pressure and $[\text{O}_2]$ in blood
- 5) Eliminate cellular waste (e.g. urea)

Urea = Product of amino acid metabolism

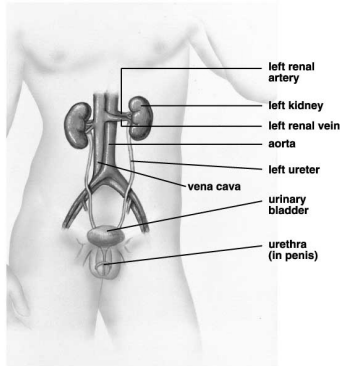
Uric Acid: Secreted by animals in xeric (dry) conditions (birds/reptiles)



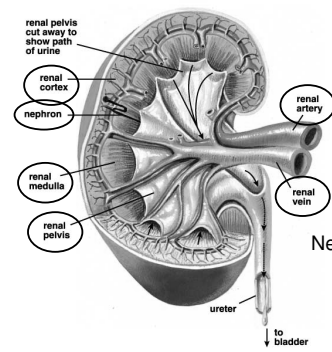
Human Urinary System:

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- 1) Kidneys
 - Filter blood
 - Reabsorb nutrients
- 2) Ureters
 - Transport urine away from kidney
 - Movement via peristalsis
- 3) Bladder
 - Stores urine
 - Maximum capacity ~ 1 L
- 3) Urethra
 - Transport urine from bladder to outside body
 - Internal sphincter (invol.)
 - External sphincter (vol.)



Gross Anatomy of the Kidney:

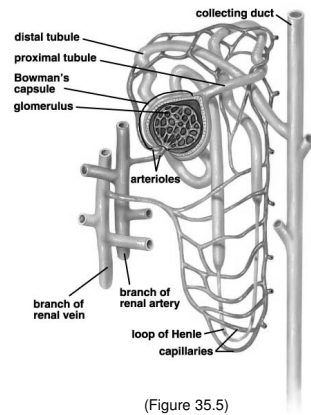


- 1/4 of cardiac output delivered to kidneys (1.25 L/min)

Nephron: Functional unit of the kidney
• 1 million / kidney

Nephron Anatomy:

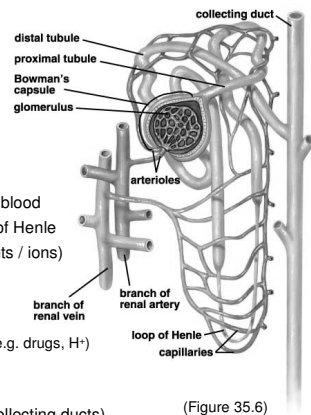
- 1) Glomerulus:
 - Capillary bed
- 2) Bowman's Capsule:
 - Collects fluids from blood
- 3) Tubule:
 - Conducting tube
 - (a) Proximal Tubule
 - (b) Loop of Henle
 - (c) Distal Tubule
 - (d) Collecting Duct



(Figure 35.5)

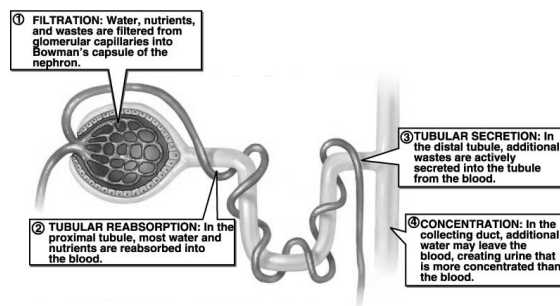
Nephron Physiology:

- 1) Filtration:
 - Movement of materials
 - glomerulus → Bowman's capsule
 - Ions, nutrients, waste, water
 - Filtrate = Filtered fluids
- 2) Tubular Reabsorption:
 - Water / nutrients returned to blood
 - Proximal Tubule / Loop of Henle
 - Active Transport (nutrients / ions)
 - Osmosis (water)
- 3) Tubular Secretion:
 - Wastes / excess substances move from blood to filtrate (e.g. drugs, H^+)
 - Distal Tubule
- 4) Concentration:
 - Additional water removed (collecting ducts)



(Figure 35.6)

Summary of Nephron Physiology:



(Figure 35.6)

Urine: Waste and remaining water from nephron

- 95% water / 5% solutes (ions, urea)

(1) Color / Transparency:

- Dilute = Pale yellow / clear
- Concentrated = Deep yellow (Urochrome)

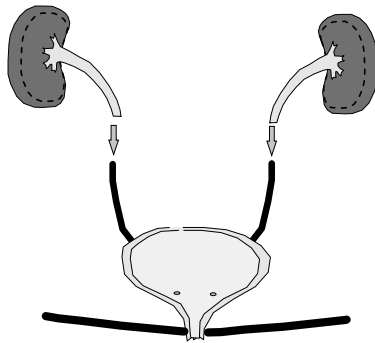
(2) Odor:

- Fresh = Slight odor
- Old = Ammonia odor (bacteria)

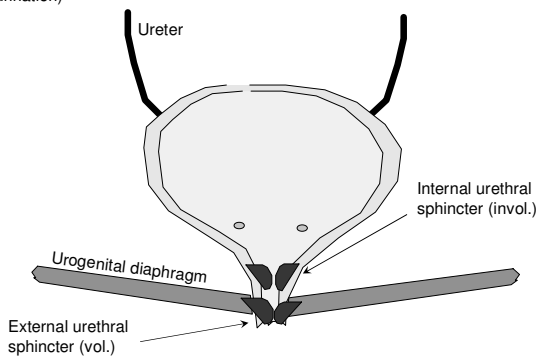
(3) pH:

- Acidic (pH ~ 6)

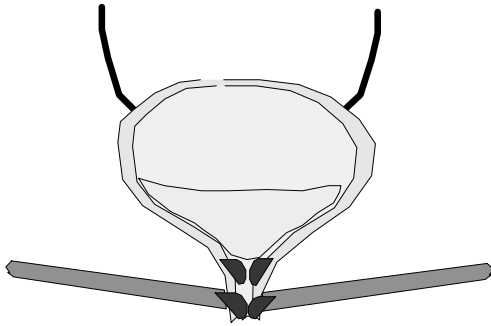
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(urination)



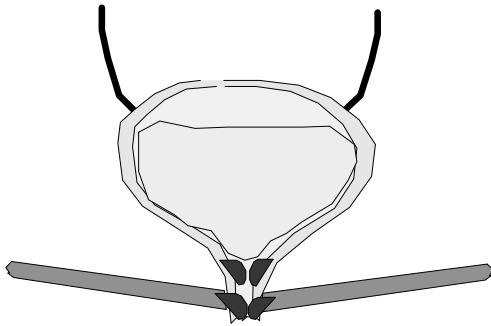
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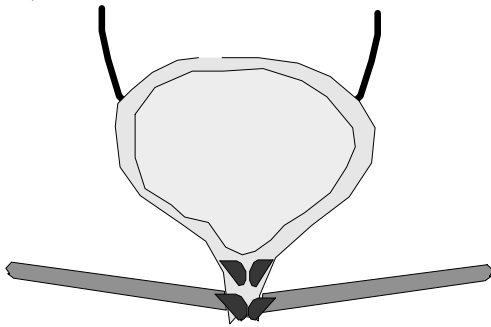
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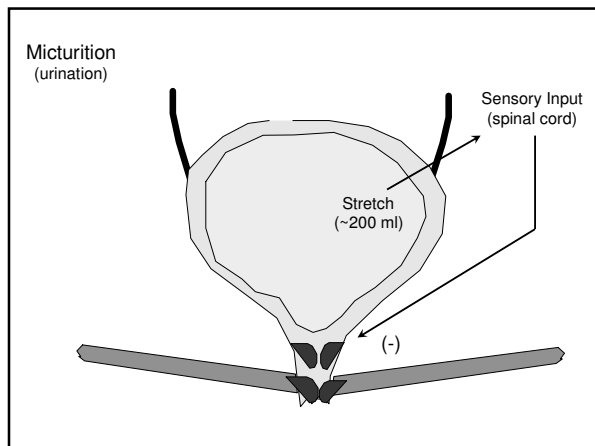


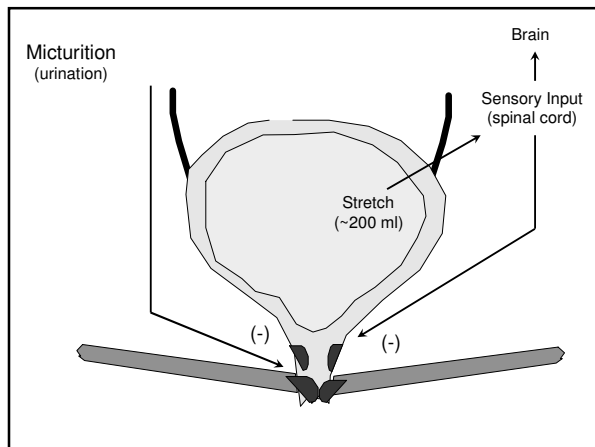
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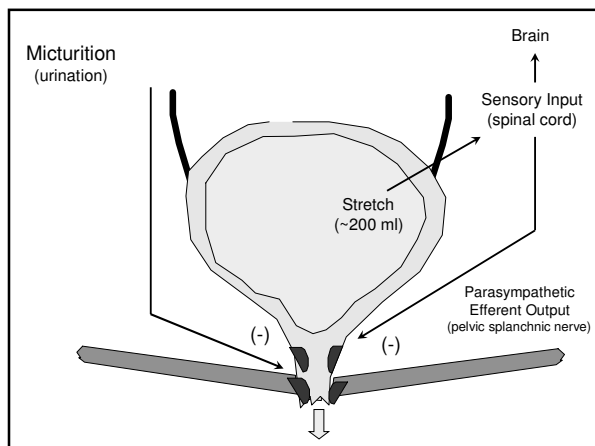


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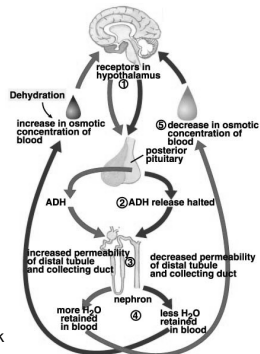
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- (1) Eliminate waste
- (2) Balance [ion]
- (3) Maintain pH

} Nephron
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(4) Regulate water balance:

- Collecting duct permeability variable
 - Impermeable = 22.5 L urine / day
 - Permeable = 1.5 L urine / day
- Permeability controlled via hormones
 - Antidiuretic Hormone (Pituitary)
 - Increases permeability
 - Controlled via negative feedback



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(5a) Regulate blood pressure:

- Low BP → Kidneys release renin
 - Catalyzes formation of angiotensin
 - Constricts arterioles (= ↑ BP)

(5b) Regulate [O₂] in blood:

- Low [O₂] → Kidneys release erythropoietin (↑ RBCs)
