

Chapter 39: Action and Support: The Muscles and Skeleton

Muscle Tissue (Muscle = "little mouse"):

- Composed of single cell type
 - Exerts force by contracting (shortening)

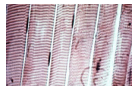
Chemical energy (ATP) $\xrightarrow{\text{Transformation}}$ Mechanical Energy



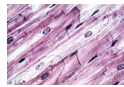
Function of Muscle:

- 1) Produce movement
- 2) Maintain posture
- 3) Support soft tissue (e.g. abdominal wall)
- 4) Guard entrance / exit (e.g. lips / anus)
- 5) Maintain body temperature (e.g. shivering)

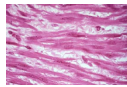
Types of Muscle Tissue:



Skeletal Muscle



Cardiac Muscle



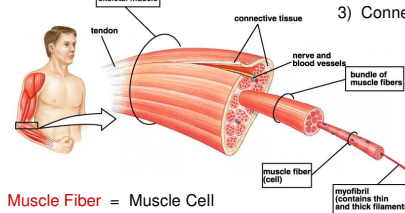
Smooth Muscle

Appearance	Striated	Striated	Not Striated
Function	Skeletal Movement	Pump Blood	Move Substances Through Hollow Tubes
# of Nuclei / Cell	Many	One	One
Contraction Speed	Slow to Fast	Intermediate	Slow
Control	Voluntary	Involuntary	Involuntary

1) Skeletal Muscle:

- Human Body = > 700 unique skeletal muscles
- Muscle structure and function are closely linked:
 - **Tendon:** Attach muscle to skeleton (Connective Tissue)
 - Whole muscle consists of:

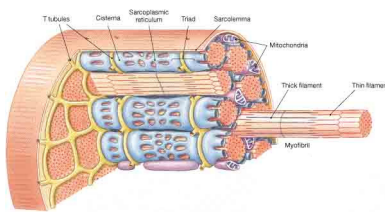
- 1) Muscle Fiber Bundles
- 2) Blood vessels/Nerves
- 3) Connective Tissue Wrap



Muscle Fiber = Muscle Cell

(Figure 39.2)

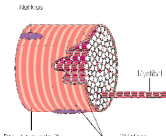
Microanatomy of Muscle:



Each Muscle Fiber Contains:

- T-tubules:** Network of passageways through fiber (conduct APs)
- Sarcoplasmic Reticulum:** Specialized endoplasmic reticulum
 - Contain calcium ions (Ca^{++})
- Myofibrils:** Cylindrical structures containing contractile fibers

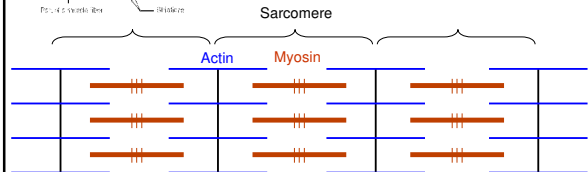
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Myofibril contractile fibers (protein):

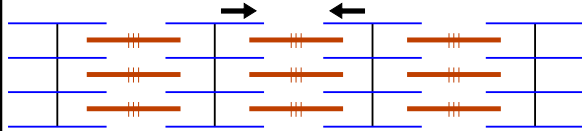
- 1) **Actin** (Thin filament)
- 2) **Myosin** (Thick filament)

Sarcomere: Repeating units of myofilaments (~ 10,000 / cell)



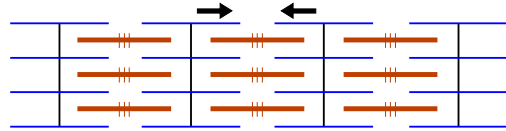
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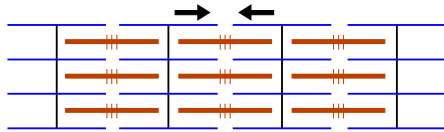
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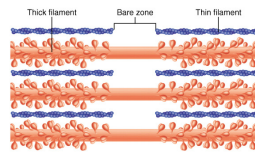


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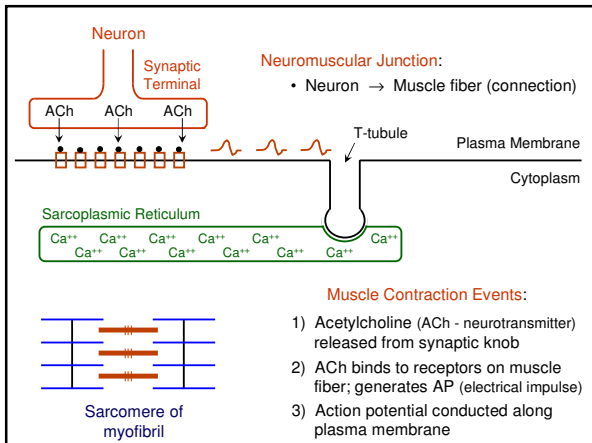
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Requires ATP
(600 trillion / second / cell)

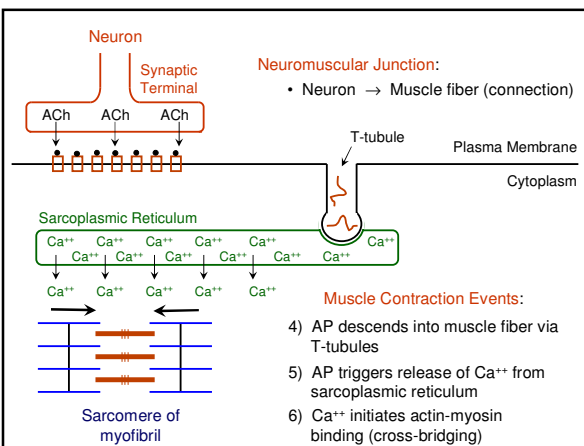


Sliding Filament Theory



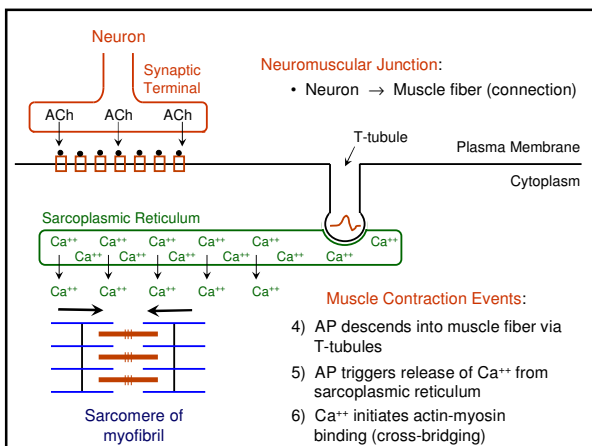
Muscle Contraction Events:

- 1) Acetylcholine (ACh - neurotransmitter) released from synaptic knob
- 2) ACh binds to receptors on muscle fiber; generates AP (electrical impulse)
- 3) Action potential conducted along plasma membrane



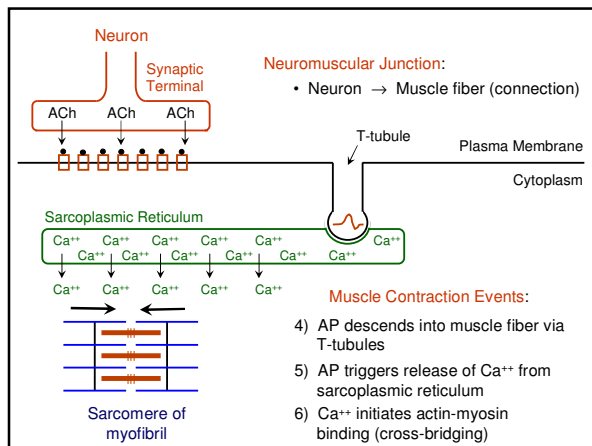
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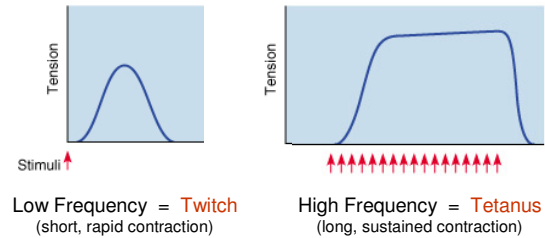
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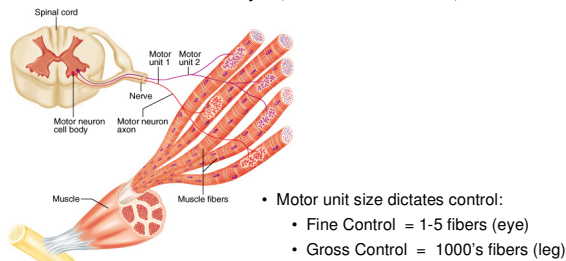
1) Length of Muscle Contraction → AP Frequency



Control of Skeletal Muscle Contractions:

1) Strength of Muscle Contraction → # of Fibers Stimulated

Motor Unit: A single motor neuron and all the muscle fibers innervated by it (motor unit = all-or-none)



Skeletal System:

- Supporting framework for the body

Types of Animal Skeletons:

- 1) **Hydrostatic Skeleton** (e.g. earthworm, mollusk)
 - Fluid-filled compartments provides support
- 2) **Exoskeleton** (e.g. insects, crustaceans)
 - Rigid, external skeleton supporting body
- 3) **Endoskeleton** (e.g. humans)
 - Rigid, internal skeleton supporting body

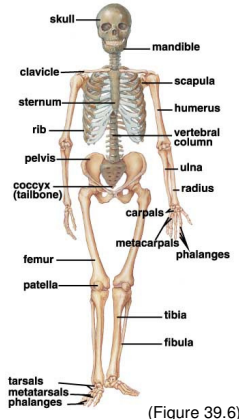


Human Skeleton = 206 bones

- **Axial skeleton**
 - Skull, vertebral column, rib cage
- **Appendicular Skeleton**
 - Extremities

Functions:

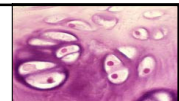
- 1) Supports body / protects organs
- 2) Locomotion
- 3) Blood cell production (red bone marrow)
- 4) Storage site
 - Calcium and Phosphorus
 - Energy (yellow bone marrow)
- 5) Sensory transduction (e.g. inner ear)



Skeletal Tissue Types:

1) **Cartilage** (connective tissue)

- Provides flexible support / connections:
 - a) Forms skeleton (early development)
 - b) Covers end of bones (joints)
 - c) Forms nose / ears
 - d) Connects ribs to sternum
 - e) Forms shock-absorbing pads (e.g. intervertebral discs)
- Consists of living cells (**chondrocytes**) in protein matrix
- No direct blood supply

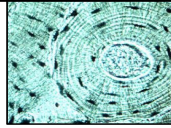


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Secrete collagen fibers

Skeletal Tissue Types:

2) **Bone** (connective tissue)

- Provides strong, rigid framework
- Consists of:
 - a) Collagen fibers (hardened with **calcium phosphate** deposits)
 - b) Osteoblasts (build bone)
 - c) Osteocytes (mature bone cells)
 - d) Osteoclasts (dissolve bone)
- Bone is constantly remodeled (5 - 10% each year)



Types of Bones:

1) **Compact bone**

- Hard, outer shell
- Site of muscle attachment

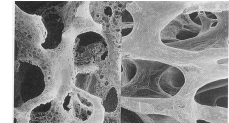
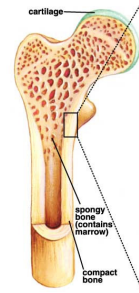
2) **Spongy bone**

- Interior latticework (porous)
- Contains bone marrow

- Bone density reaches peak at age 35

• **Osteoporosis** ("porous bone")

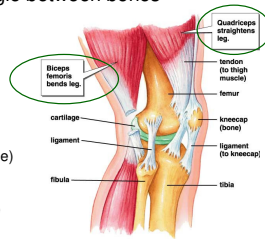
- Predominates in women (8x)
- Treatment:
 - Exercise; Ca++ supplements
 - Hormone replacement therapy



Body Movement:

Joint = Point at which two bones meet

- **Ligament** = Fibrous connective tissue attaching bones
- **Antagonistic muscles** drive movement:
 - **Flexion** = Decrease angle between bones
 - **Extension** = increase angle between bones



Types of Joints:

1) **Hinge joint:**

- 2 - dimensional movement (e.g. knee)

1) **Ball-and-socket joint:**

- 3 - dimensional movement (e.g. hip)