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Tutorial 7

Sections 009/010

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Physiology 2130
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Your TA reminding you...

- **1st Quiz (1%)**
 - **Opens:** Oct 21st @ 4pm
 - **Closes:** Oct 22nd @ 4pm
- **1st Midterm** - Oct 25th @ 6pm-7pm **(15%)**
- **Midterm Review session**
 - **When:** Wednesday, Oct 23rd from 6:00-8:00pm
 - **Where:** Auditorium C, University Hospital, 3rd floor

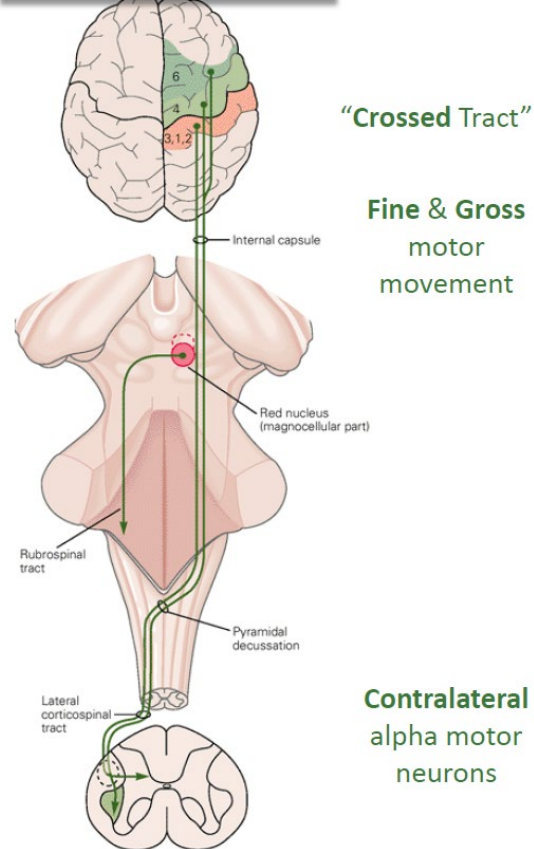
Today

- No group work!
- Learning Catalytics Question
- Basal ganglia
- Anterior pituitary and thyroid
- Thyroid Gland and Adrenal Gland

**Question from email/anonymous
suggestion box...**

Lateral vs. Ventral Corticospinal Tracts

Lateral Corticospinal Tract



Dorsal Lateral Corticospinal tract

Contralateral

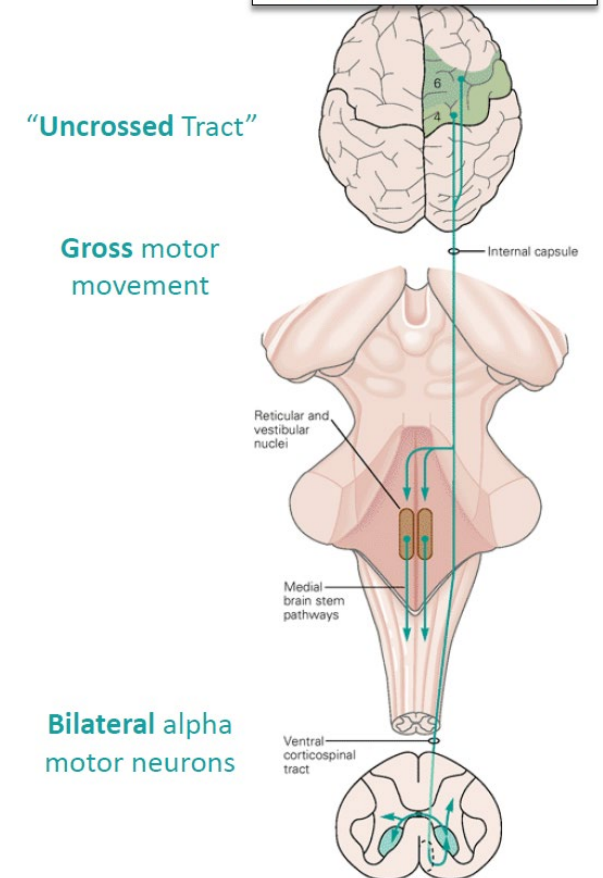
- Crosses at the pyramids of the medulla
- 80-90% of this pathway
- Fine gross motor movements

Ventral Medial Corticospinal tract

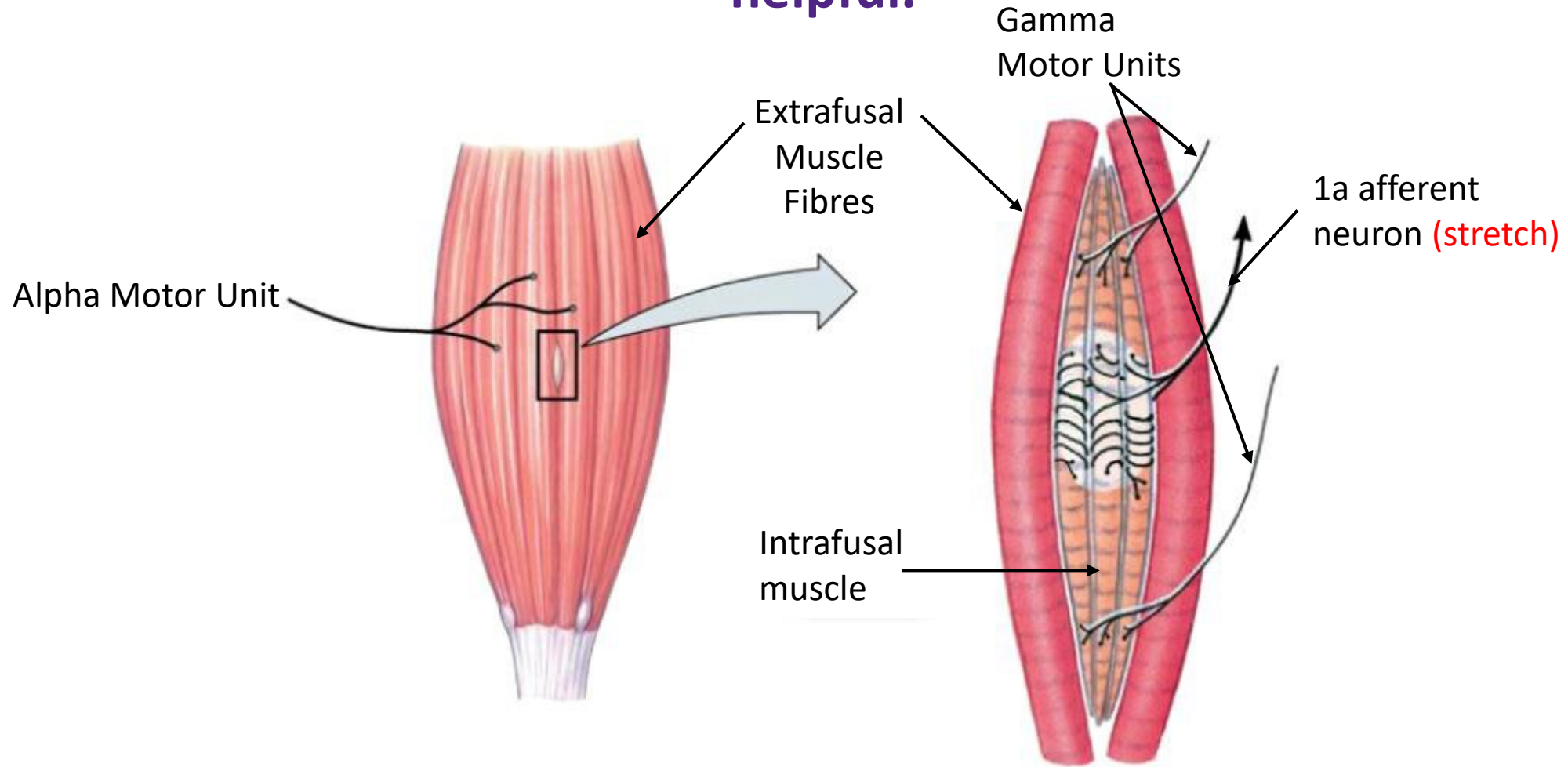
Ipsilateral

- Crosses at the spinal cord
- Gross motor movements
- Affects motor neurons on both sides of the body

Ventral Corticospinal Tract



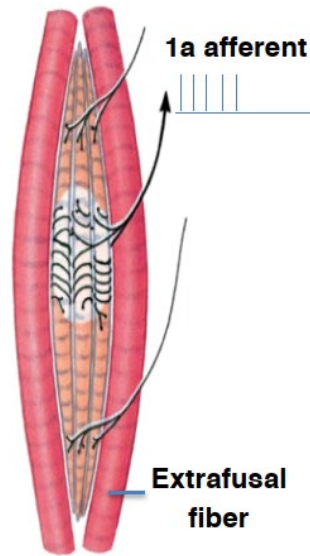
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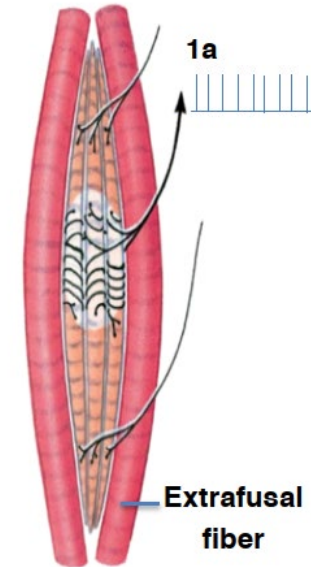
Alpha motor neuron without gamma motor neuron would lead to loss of 1a firing

- If gamma not contracting intrafusal, stretch of muscle will not be able to be detected (dangerous)



Alpha motor neuron with gamma motor neuron would maintain 1a firing

- With gamma contracting intrafusal, stretch of the muscle can still be detected



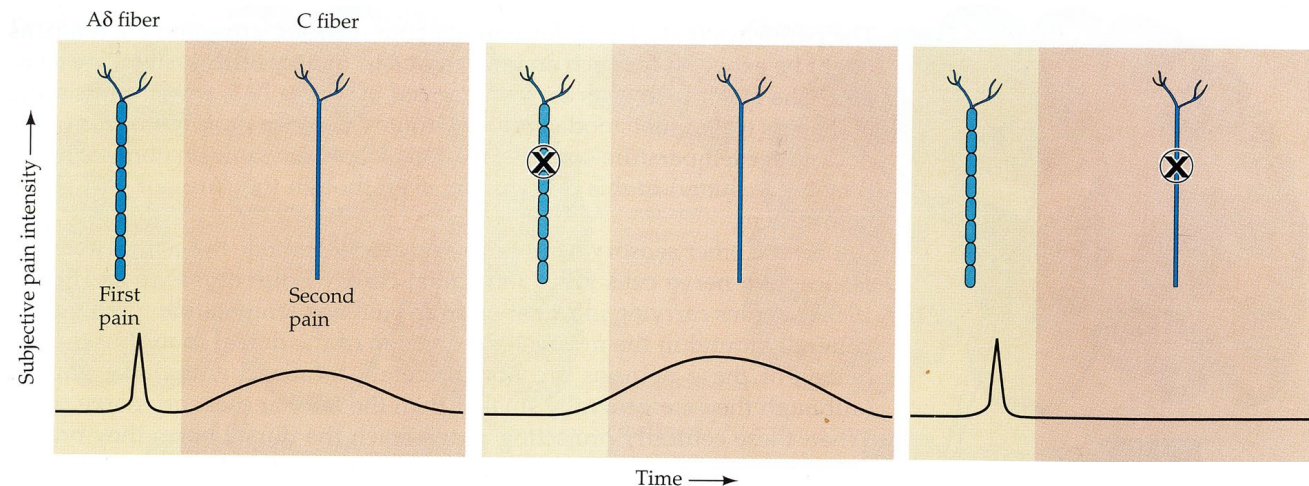
Would you be able to go over the cerebellum and basal ganglia in more detail, particularly the cerebellar circuit. I'm not sure I fully understand the concepts

- Will be covered in today's lecture slides

Where were type C fibers mentioned?

Dr. Everling, Lecture 2, Slide 23

Fiber Type	Fiber characteristics	Associated stimuli
A β (beta)	Large, myelinated	Mechanical stimuli (touch)
A δ (delta)	Small, myelinated	Intense mechanical or mechanothermal stimuli, fast pain
C	Small, unmyelinated	Heat, cold, slow pain



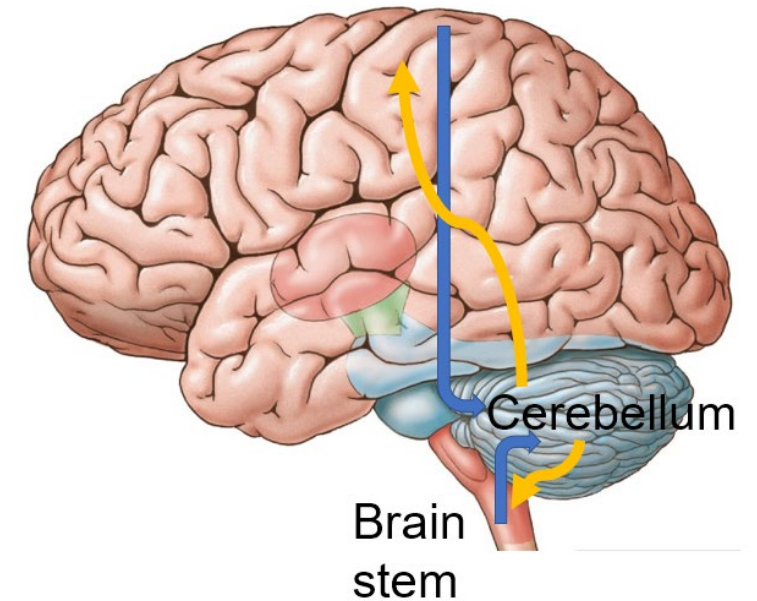
Learning Catalytic Question

Motor Physiology: The Cerebellum and Basal Ganglia

Chapter 3: Dr. Everling

The Cerebellum

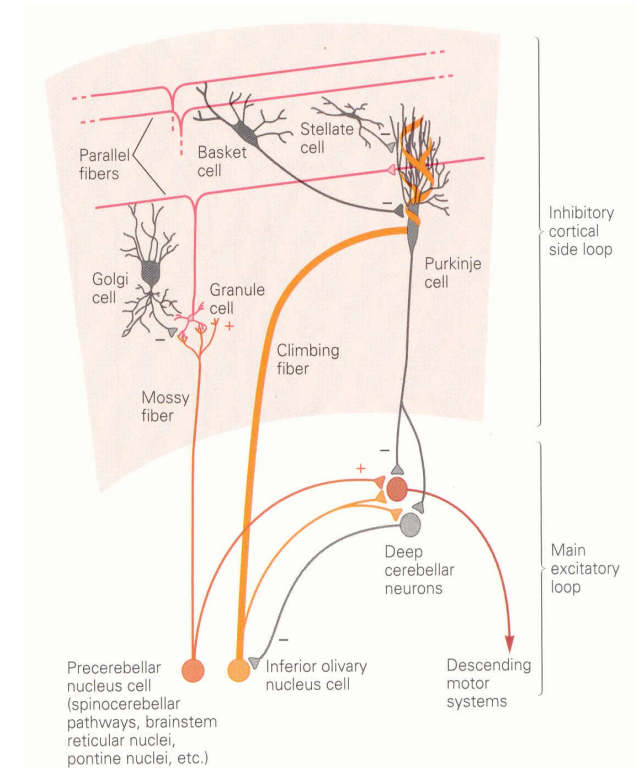
- **Function:** evaluates difference between intended and actual movement action
- Cortex, brain stem and spinal cord send signals **TOWARDS**
- Cerebellum sends signals **BACK**, however these can be modified for motor learning



The Cerebellum Circuit

Two inputs:

- **Mossy fibers:** Synapse on granule cells.
 - Axons of granule cells form parallel fibers which synapse on Purkinje cells
- **Climbing fibers:** Synapse directly on Purkinje cells.
- Mossy and climbing fibers excite Purkinje cells, which provide cerebellum output through inhibition

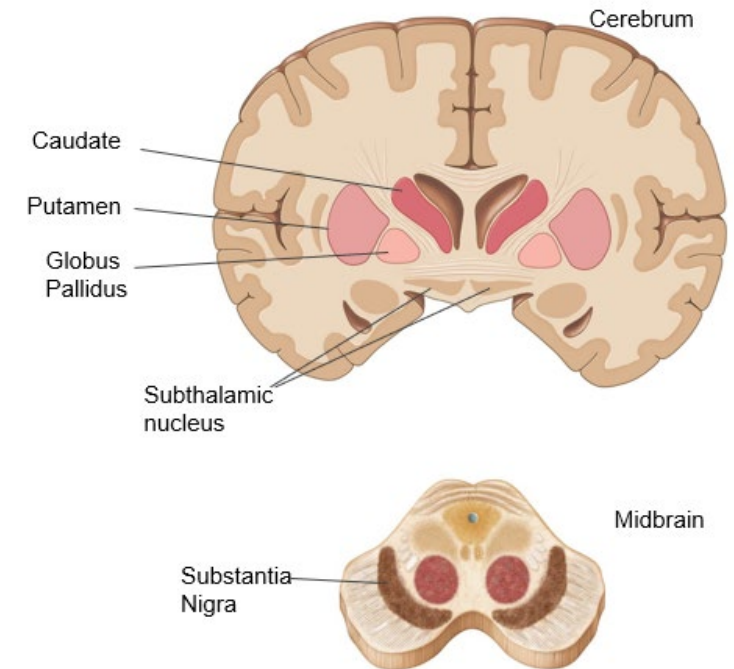


The Basal Ganglia

- **Function:** regulating and planning movements
- Cortex send signals **TOWARDS**
- Basal ganglia sends signals **BACK** through the thalamus

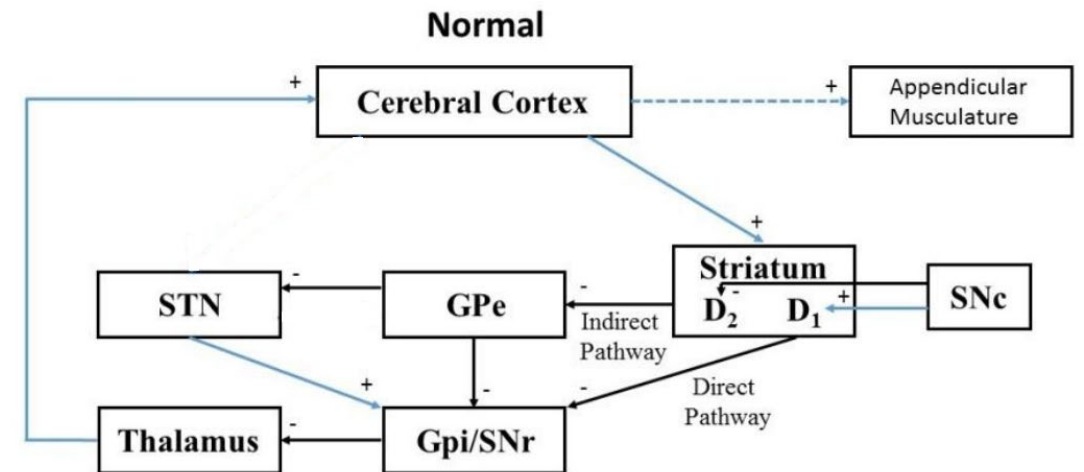
Two main functions

1. Production of movement – **direct pathway**
2. Inhibition of movement – **indirect pathway**



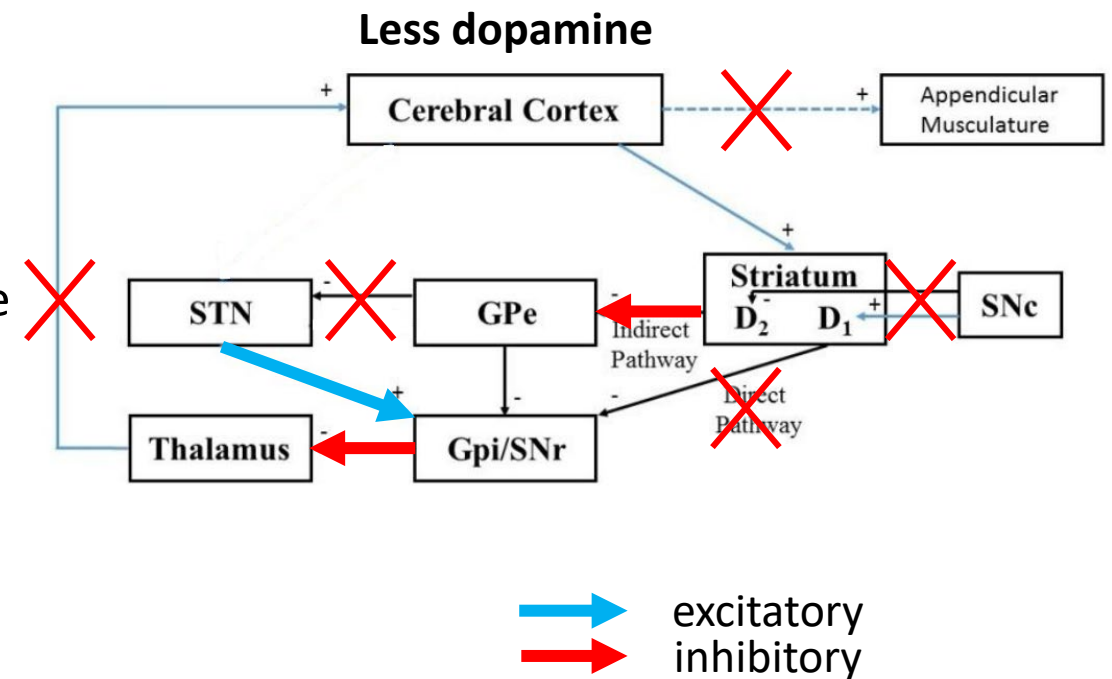
Basal Ganglia Circuit

- Cerebral cortex sends excitatory signals to striatum (caudate + putamen)
- Direct pathway (movement):
 - **striatum** inhibitory projections to **globus pallidus internal**
 - **globus pallidus inhibitory** projections to **thalamus**
- Indirect pathway (Inhibit movement):
 - **striatum** inhibitory projections to **globus pallidus external**
 - **globus pallidus external** inhibitory projections to **subthalamic nucleus**
 - **subthalamic nucleus** excitatory projections to **globus pallidus internal**
- **globus pallidus internal** inhibitory projections to **thalamus**
- **thalamus** excitatory projections to **cortex**



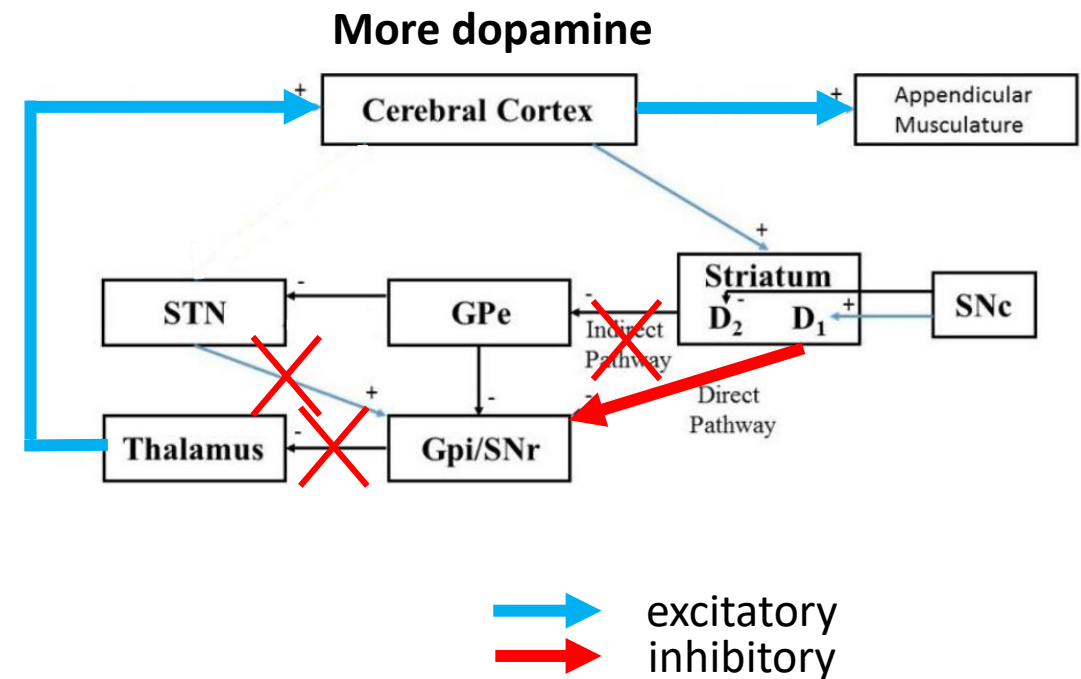
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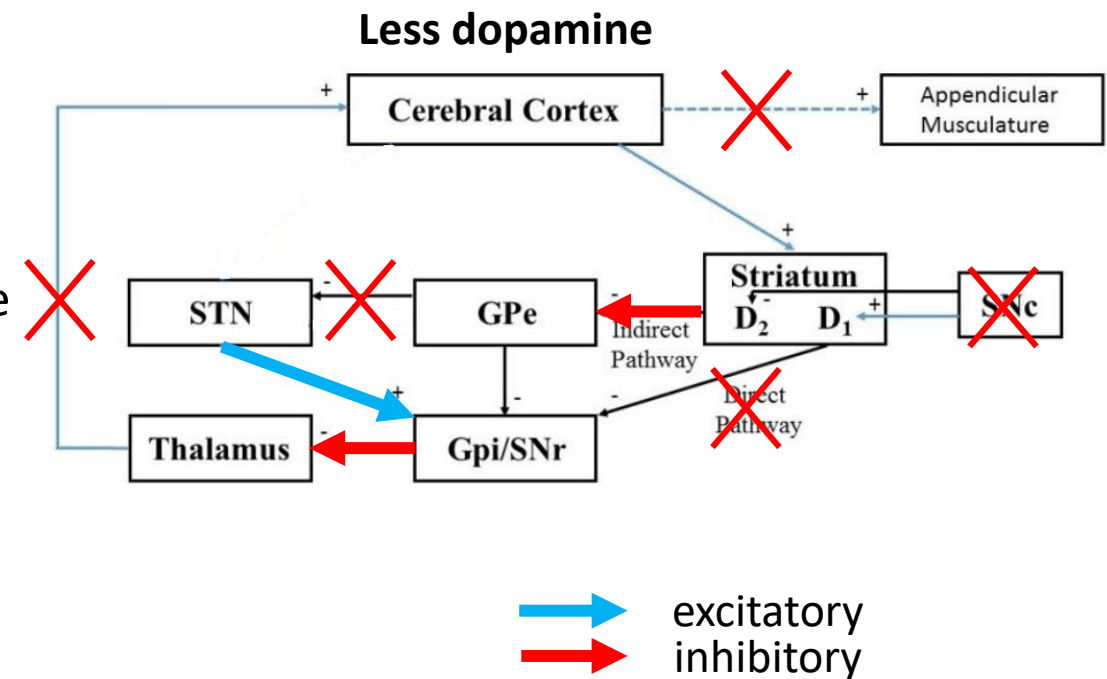
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- **thalamus** will excite the cortex
- **Movement** initiated



Parkinson Disease

- Loss of neurons in substantia nigra pars compacta
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Endocrine: Anterior pituitary and thyroid

Chapter 3: Dr. Beye

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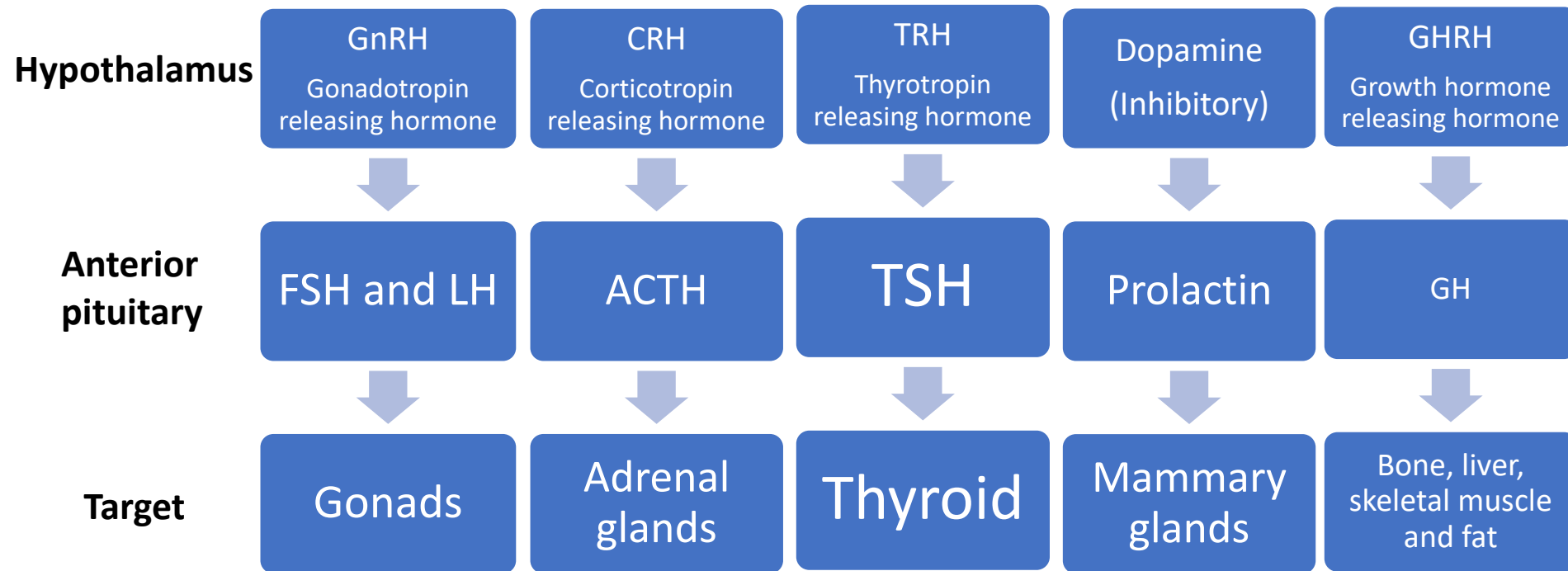
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Hypothalamus-Anterior Pituitary



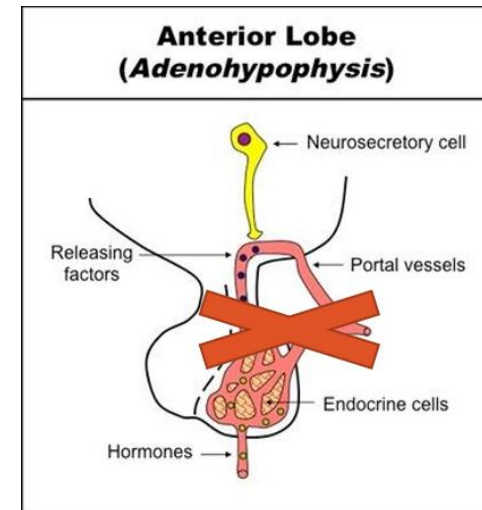
1. Hypothalamus makes and releases hormone into portal system
2. Hormone travels through hypothalamic hypophyseal portal system to ant pit
3. Hormone acts on ant pit to make and release a hormone into general circulation
4. Hormone travels through general circulation to target tissue

If the hypothalamic-hypophyseal portal system was destroyed...

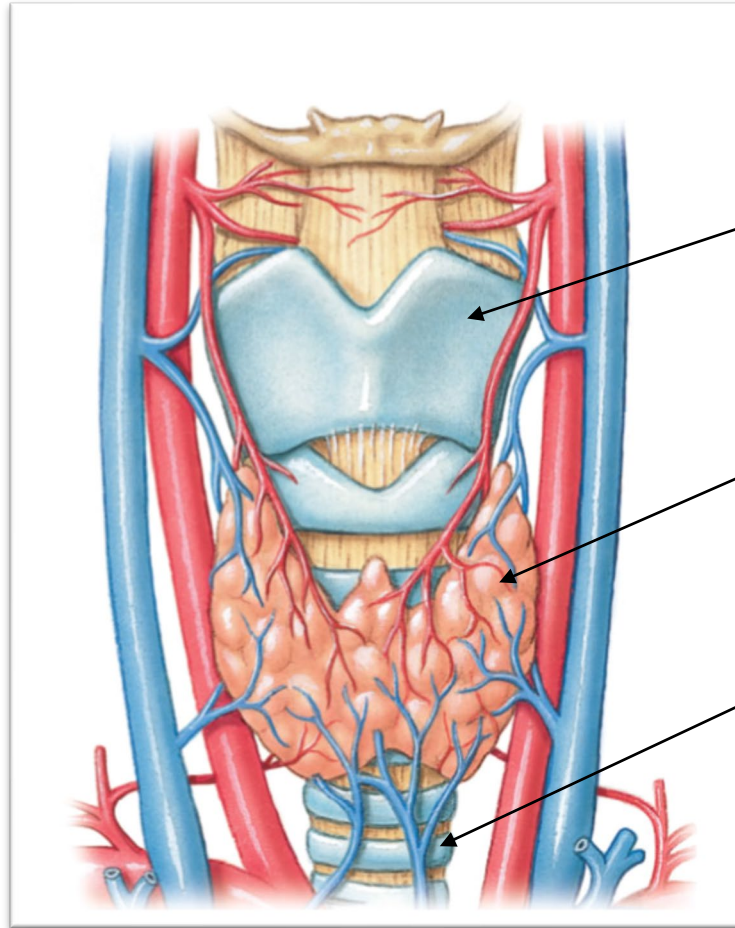
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Thyroid Gland

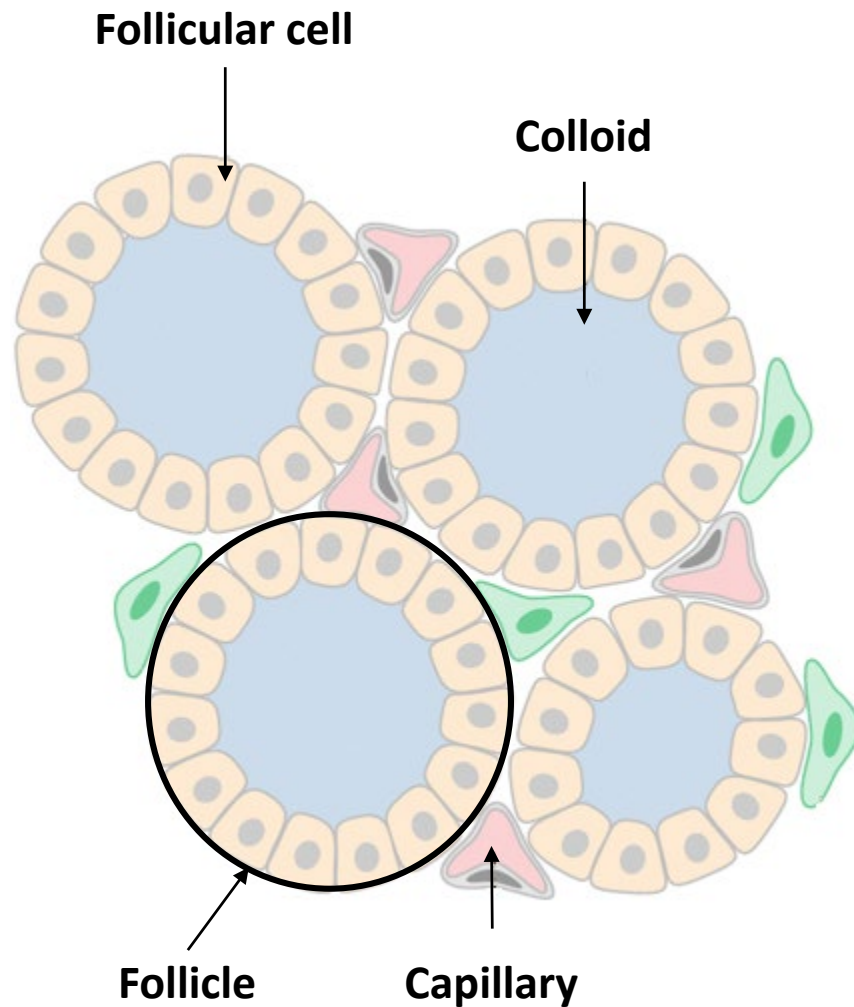


Thyroid Cartilage

Thyroid Gland

Trachea

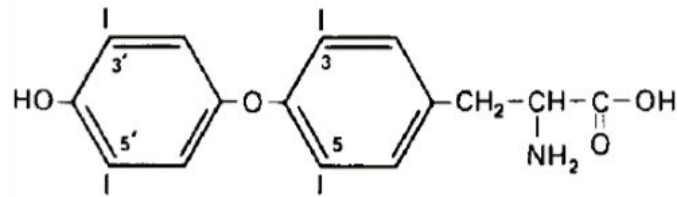
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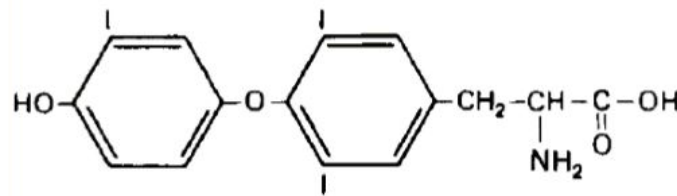
1. **Capillary**: TH transport
2. **Follicle**: functional unit where TH is made
3. **Colloid**: TH is made and stored here
4. **Follicular cells**: acquire and produce TH building blocks

Thyroid Hormone Overview

- TH is an **amine hormone** with properties similar to steroid hormone
- Function: **increase basal metabolic rate**; acts on nearly every cell of body
- 2 key components: tyrosine and iodide



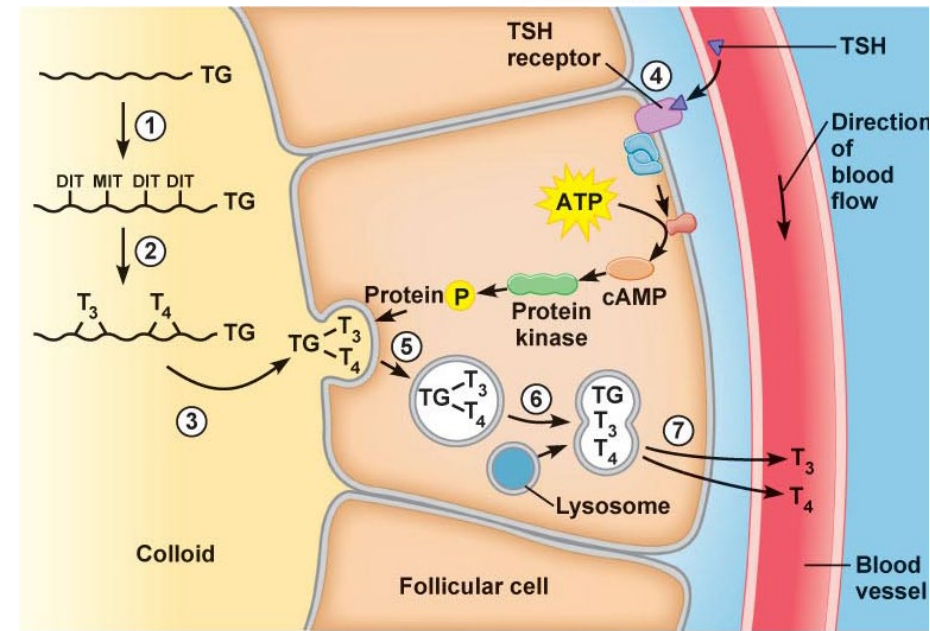
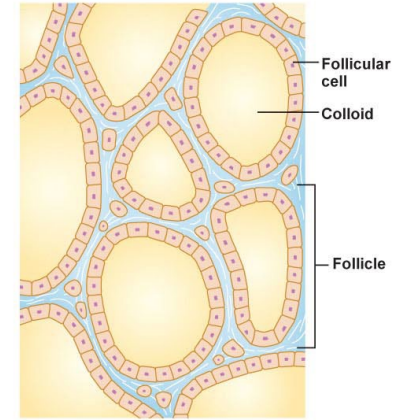
3,5,3',5'-Tetraiodothyronine (thyroxine, T₄)



3,5,3'-Triiodothyronine (T₃)

Thyroid Hormone Synthesis

1. Tyrosine residues of thyroglobulin iodinated
2. Two iodinated residues join by covalent bond
3. Thyroid hormones stored in colloid
4. TSH binds receptor and activates thyroid hormone synthesis
5. Follicular cells take in thyroglobulin by endocytosis
6. Endosome fuses with lysosome
7. Lysosomal enzymes cause release of T3 and T4
8. T3 and T4 diffuse into bloodstream



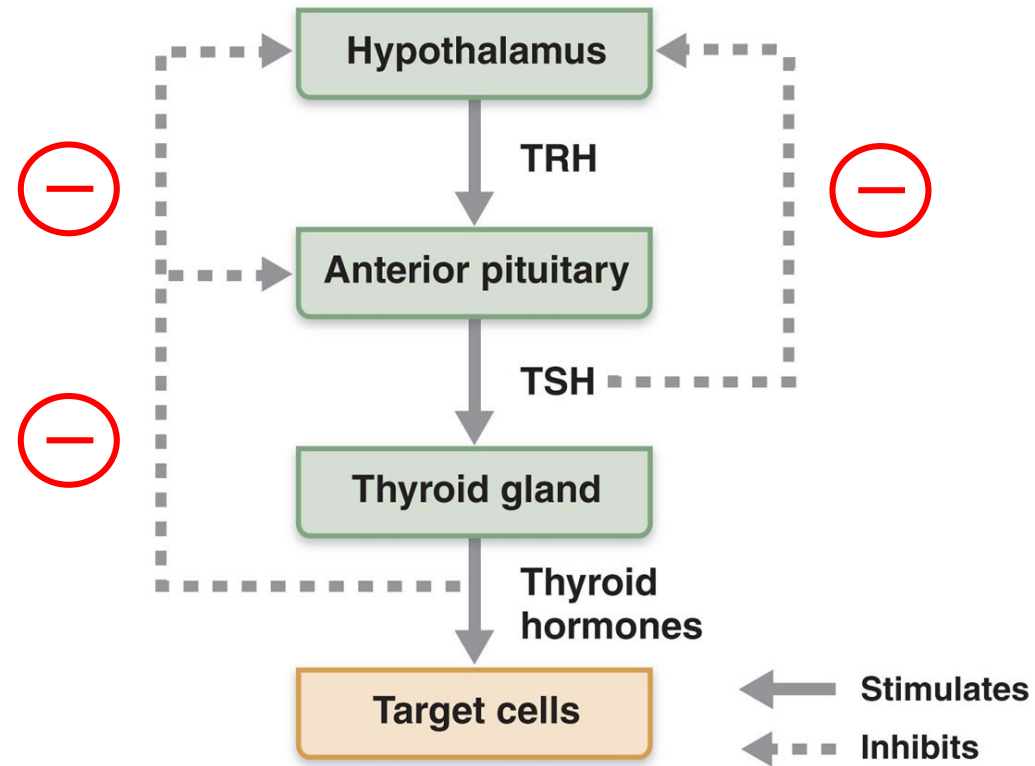
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Thyroid Hormone Modulation



Thyroid Gland and Adrenal Gland

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Thyroid Gland Disorders

	Hyperthyroidism	Hypothyroidism
Symptoms	Weight loss Increase HR Sensitive to heat Fidgety, hyperactive, irritable	Weight gain Decrease HR Sensitive to cold Fatigue, depression
Causes	↑ TRH or ↑ TSH (leads to Goiter) Grave's disease: Ab to TSH receptor	↓ TRH ↓ TSH Poor diet/iodide deficiency (leads to Goiter) Can also result in atrophy: Autoimmune destruction of thyroid gland

Adrenal Gland: Layers

(Not on midterm)

	Layers	Categories of Hormones	Example	Stimulus	Effect
Cortex	Zona glomerulosa	Mineralocorticoids	Aldosterone	RAAS pathway (@ low BP)	Increase Na ⁺ reabsorption
Cortex	Zona fasciculata	Glucocorticoids	Cortisol	ACTH	-
Cortex	Zona reticularis	Androgens	DHEA	-	-
Medulla	Medulla	Catecholamines	Epinephrine	Sympathetic Nervous System	SNS response

Three classes of steroids: Mineralocorticoids, Glucocorticoids and Androgens

Next Tutorial (Oct 29th)

- Endocrinology

What Questions Do You Have?

You can ask in the **Owl forums** as well!

Also anonymously ask questions in the **online dropbox!!**