

MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY: THE BODY	
Terms	Definitions
active transport	the movement of solutes against a gradient and requires the expenditure of energy (usually ATP)
anatomy	the study of the structure and relationship between body parts
antagonistic hormones	hormones that act to return body conditions to within acceptable limits from opposite directions
antigen	any molecule, usually a protein or polysaccharide, that can be identified as foreign or unusual. It may be a toxin, or a part of the protein coat of a virus, or a molecule unique to the plasma membranes
apocrine gland secretion	the process that takes up the secret, liberates your armpits, legs, hands, and feet
atrium	each of the two upper chambers of the heart
axons	the smallest quantity of an element that still possesses the characteristics of the element
ATP (adenosine triphosphate)	a common source of activation energy for metabolic reactions
axons	the two upper chambers of the heart
endocrine system (hormones)	controls the activities of organs, glands, and various muscular tissues
axons	the bones that revolve around the vertical axis of the skeleton, liberates the spine and skull
axons	of the bones of each leg and arm and appear to organize their development
axons	the part of the muscle between the origin and insertion
axons	describes the relationship between the pressure (P) and the volume (V) of a gas. The law states that if the volume increases, then the pressure must decrease (or vice versa)
axons	transports blood vessels with extremely low walls
axons	any of certain organic compounds, including the sugars, starches, and celluloses
axons	describes all the activities of the heart through one complete heartbeat - that is, through one contraction and relaxation of both the atria and the ventricles
axons	responsible for the rhythmic contractions of the heart
axons	is the volume of blood pumped out of the right or left ventricle per minute. CO = SV x HR
axons	consists of the heart, blood vessels, and blood. This system transports nutrients, oxygen, and hormones to cells and removes metabolic waste. It protects the body and regulates body temperature
axons	an agent that promotes the development of cancer
axons	used to refer to the circulatory system (the heart and blood vessels)
axons	a person who does not show symptoms of a disease, but who carries an infectious organism and can transmit it to others
axons	the inner wall of living organisms. A cell contains a nucleus and a cell wall (in plants) or a cell membrane (in animals) which surrounds the cellular material, called cytoplasm
axons	a system of treatment based on manipulation of the spine



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