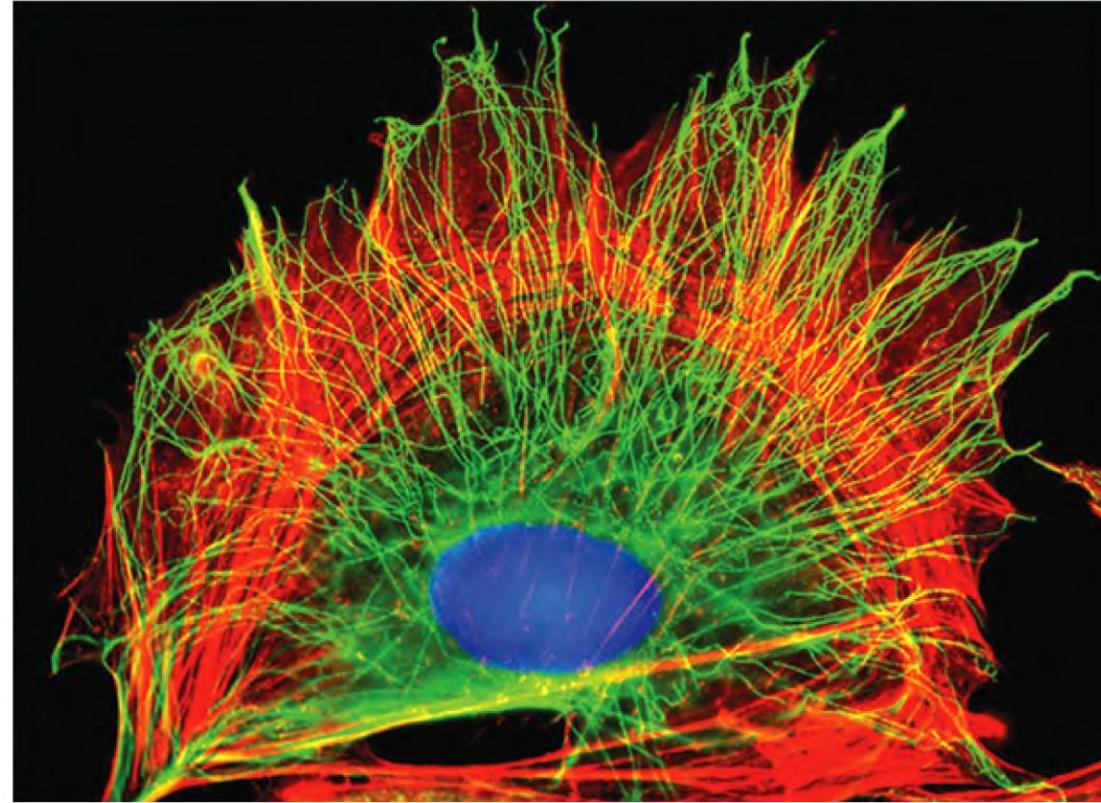


lecture 12- cell adhesions (continued) , cytoskeleton overview, intermediate filaments,



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sun**
violent femmes

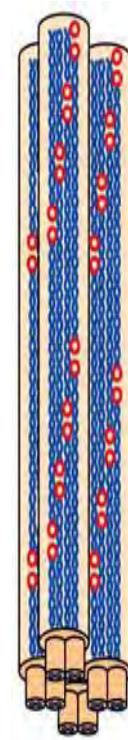
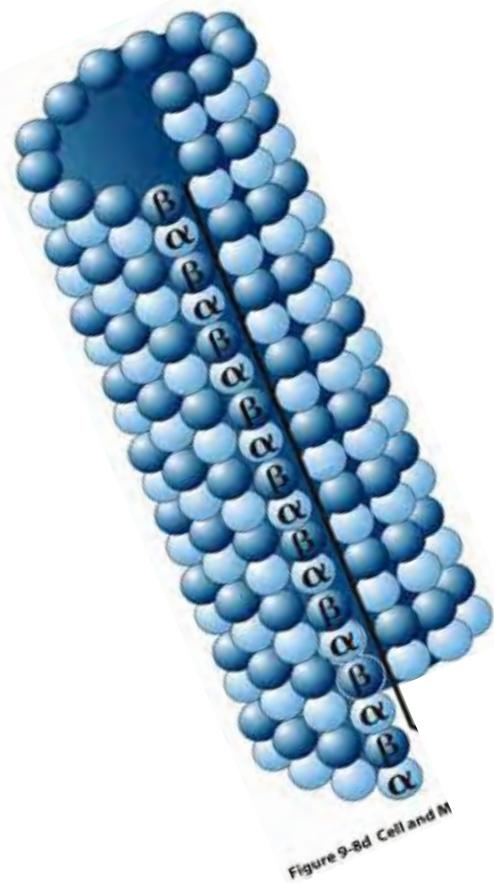


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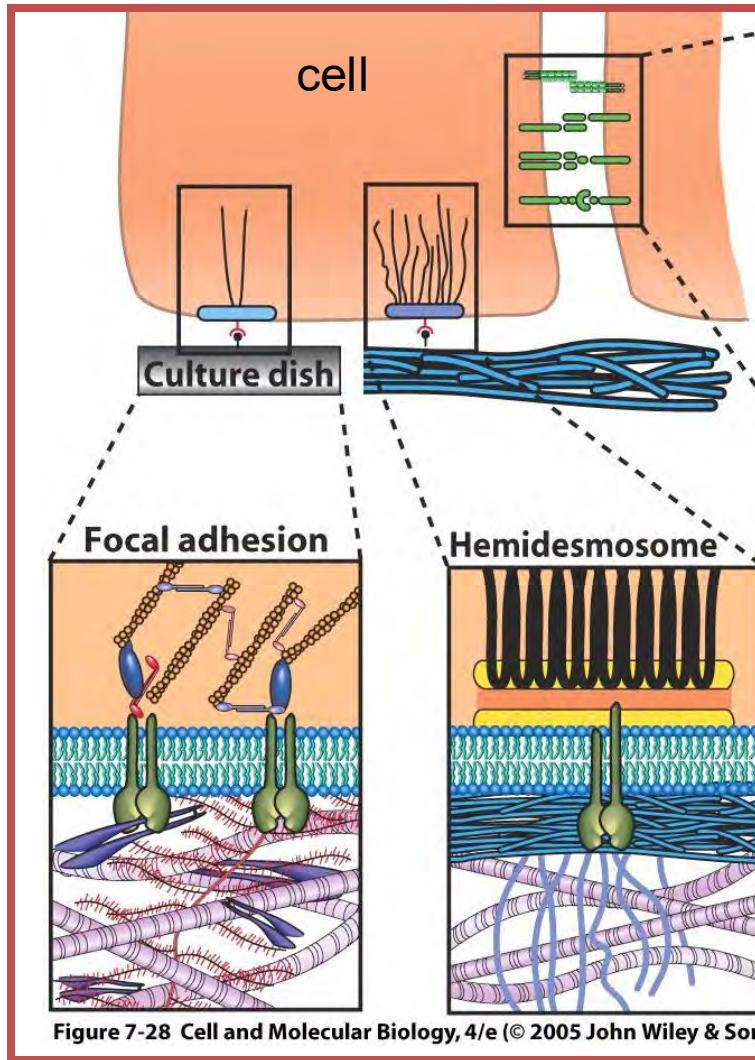
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cytoskeleton is made up of polymers – which allows cells to be dynamic!



But sometimes cells just need stability....

cell-matrix or cell-cell adhesions



Cytoskeleton

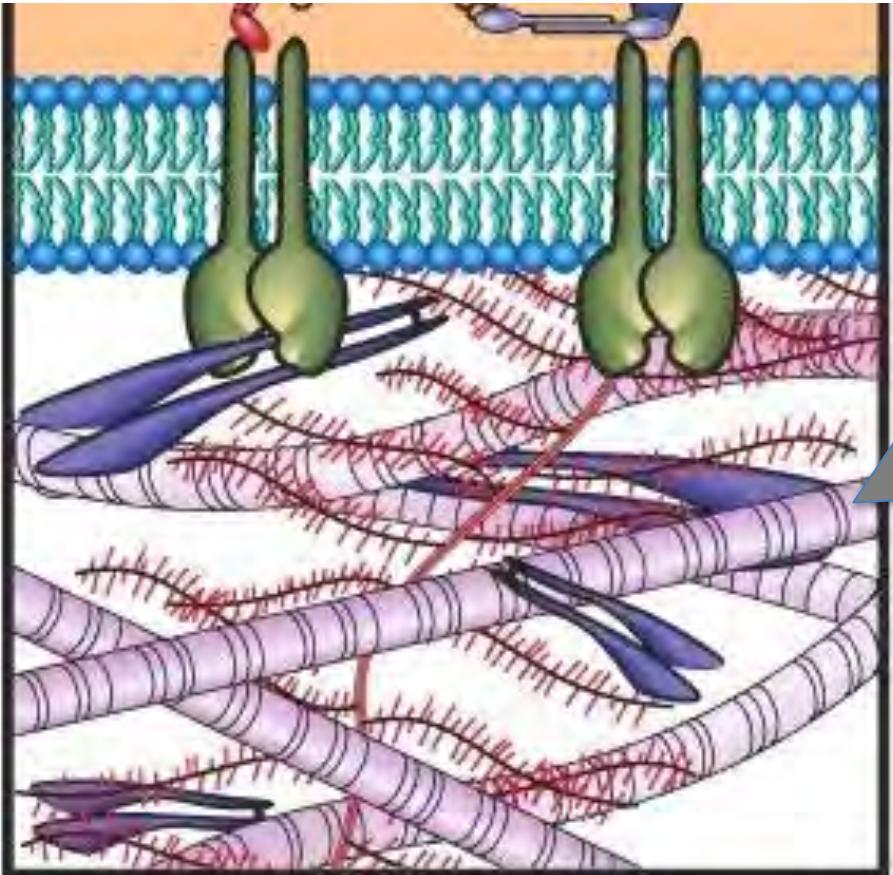
Adhesion molecule

Cell-Substrate (or matrix)

administrative

Exam 2 is Oct 21 – why not start studying today?

warm up poll question

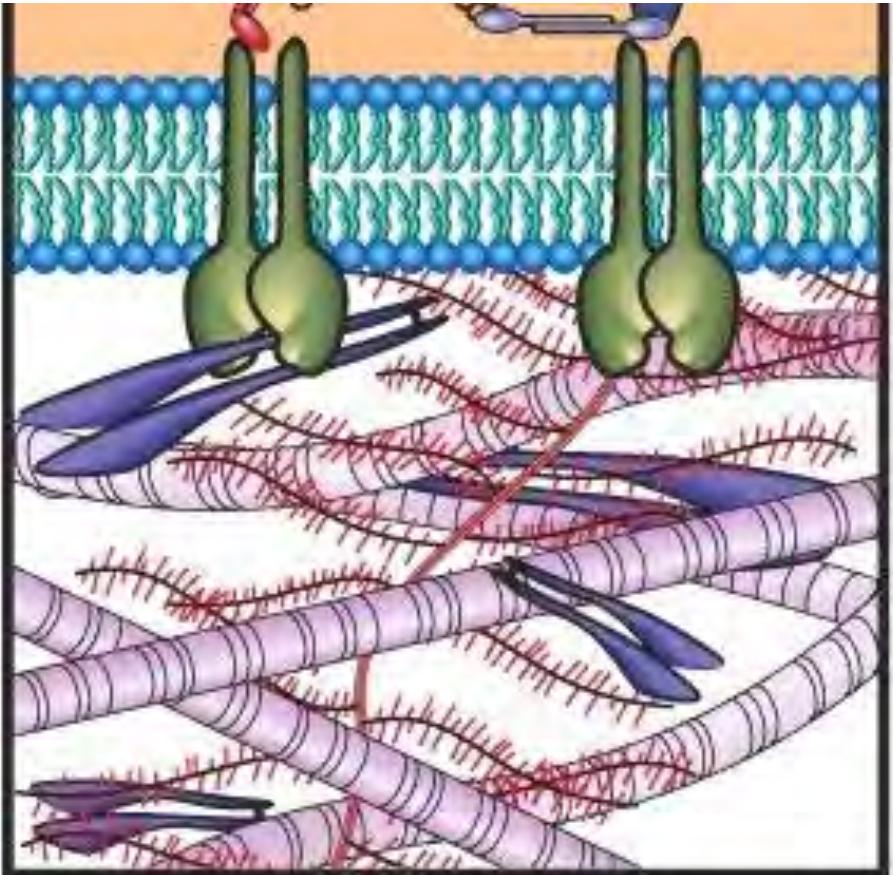


Name that ECM protein!

- a) Integrin
- b) Fibronectin
- c) Collagen
- d) Cellulose
- e) Hyaluronic acid

Figure 7-28 Cell and Molecular Bio

warm up poll question



Which of these answers is not in the ECM (and not even a protein)?

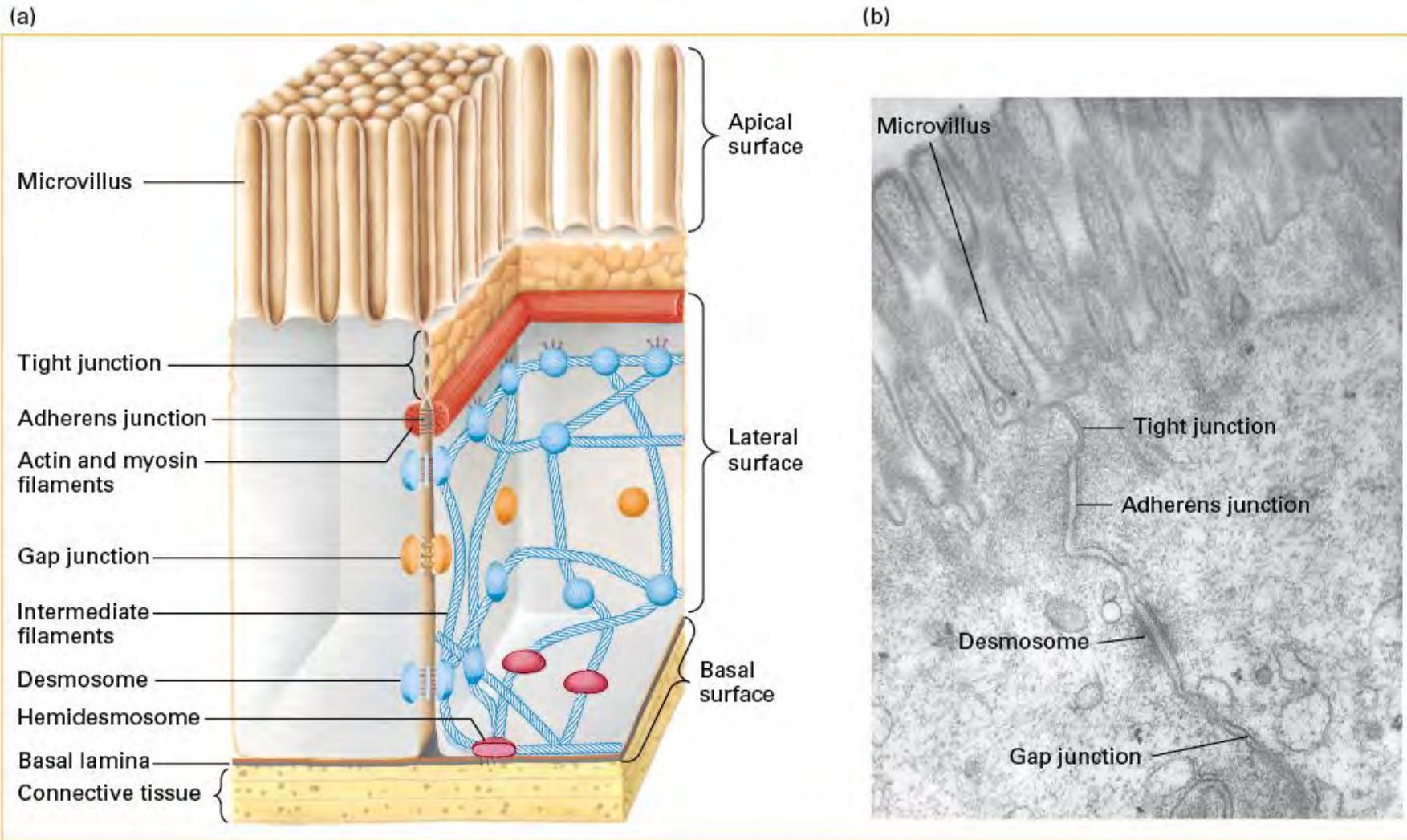
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Figure 7-28 Cell and Molecular Bio

learning objectives

- be able to: compare and contrast types of cell junctions/adhesions
- describe and interpret the experiments used to characterize different adhesion molecules
- describe the molecules contributing to cell interactions, including cytoskeletal components
- by the end of this section, you should be able to:
 - describe 4 major functions of the cytoskeleton and know which proteins contribute to these functions
 - describe, compare, and contrast the 3 different types of filaments in the cytoskeleton (ie, know their roles, and to *what specialized structures they contribute*)
 - describe intermediate filaments, know to which cellular structures they contribute, and explain how their molecular structure relates to function

major types of cell junctions



Two types do
NOT link to
cytoskeleton
(directly)

Which
way is
up?



tight junctions

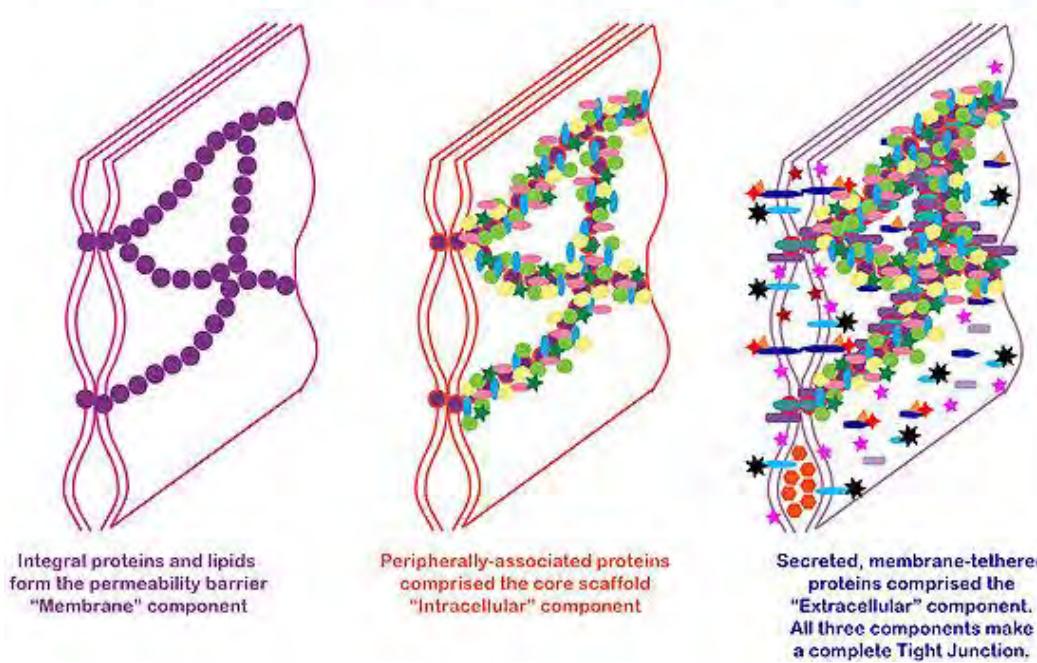
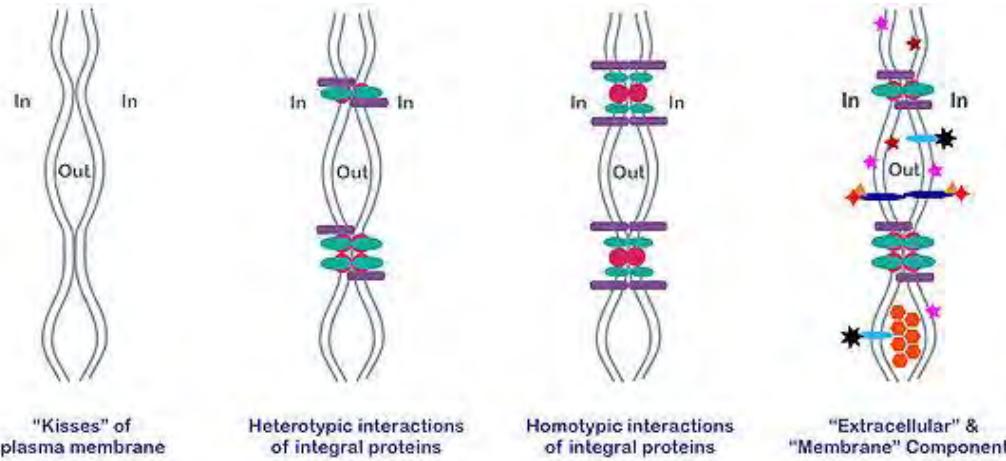
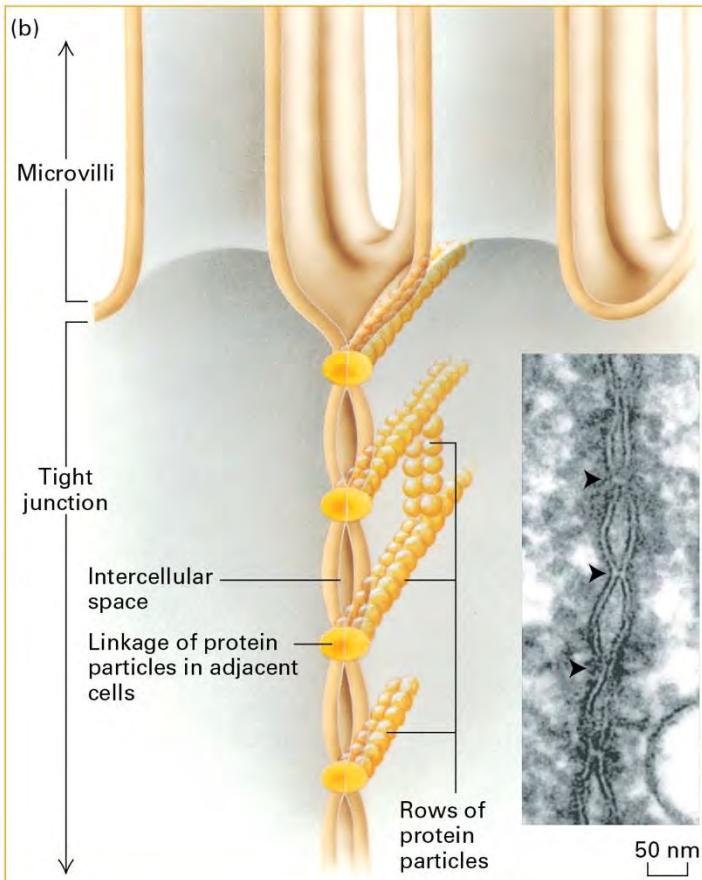
- hold cells together and make epithelial layers impermeable
- bands around cells that attach to a similar band on adjacent cells to prevent substances from slipping between
- localized **apically** ↑
- block lateral movement of membrane components = maintain cell polarity
- examples:
 - skin retains water
 - epithelial cells line the stomach and intestine. tight junctions are very important to make sure that the acid/food doesn't leak
 - tight junctions in capillaries in the brain make up the blood brain barrier, which blocks bacteria, drugs, etc

(a)

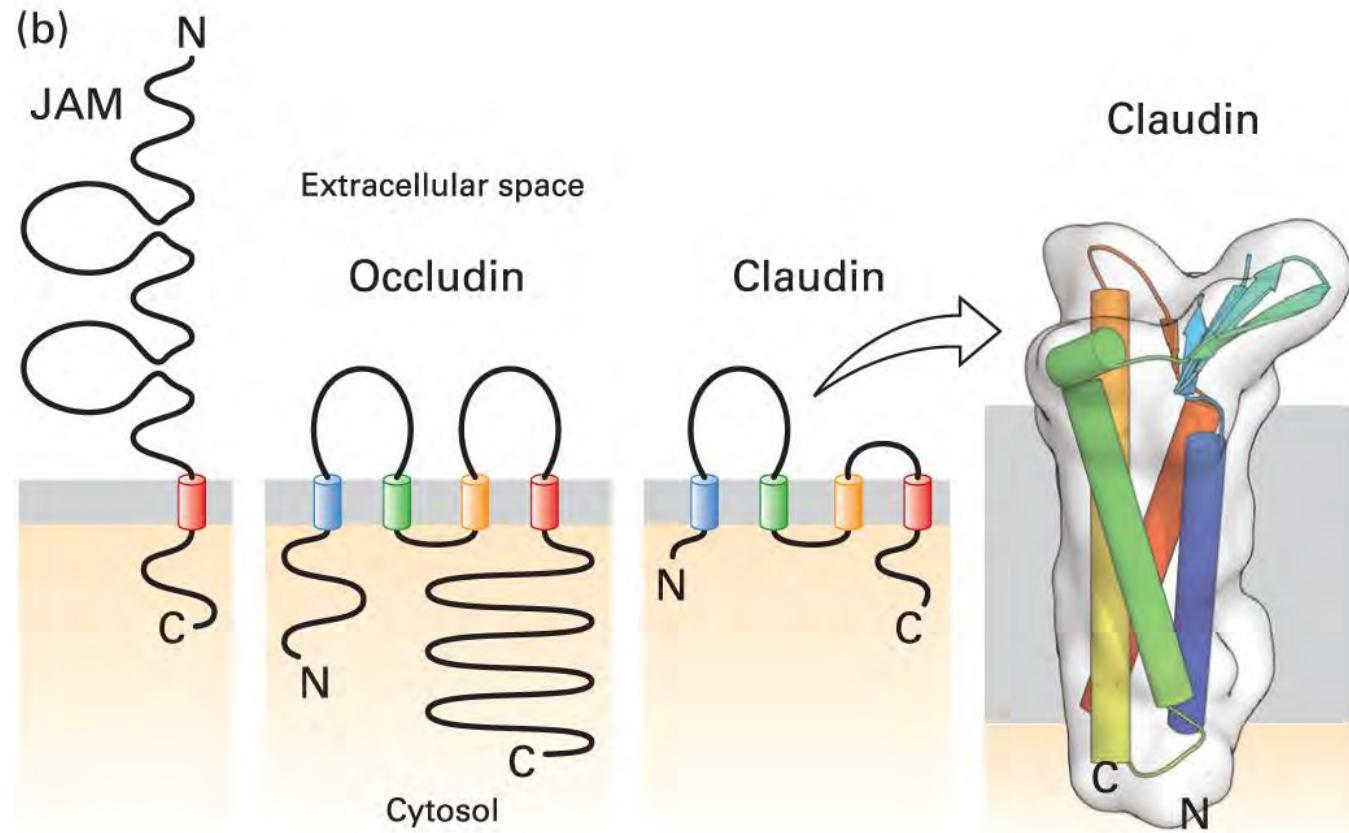


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tight junctions form strands

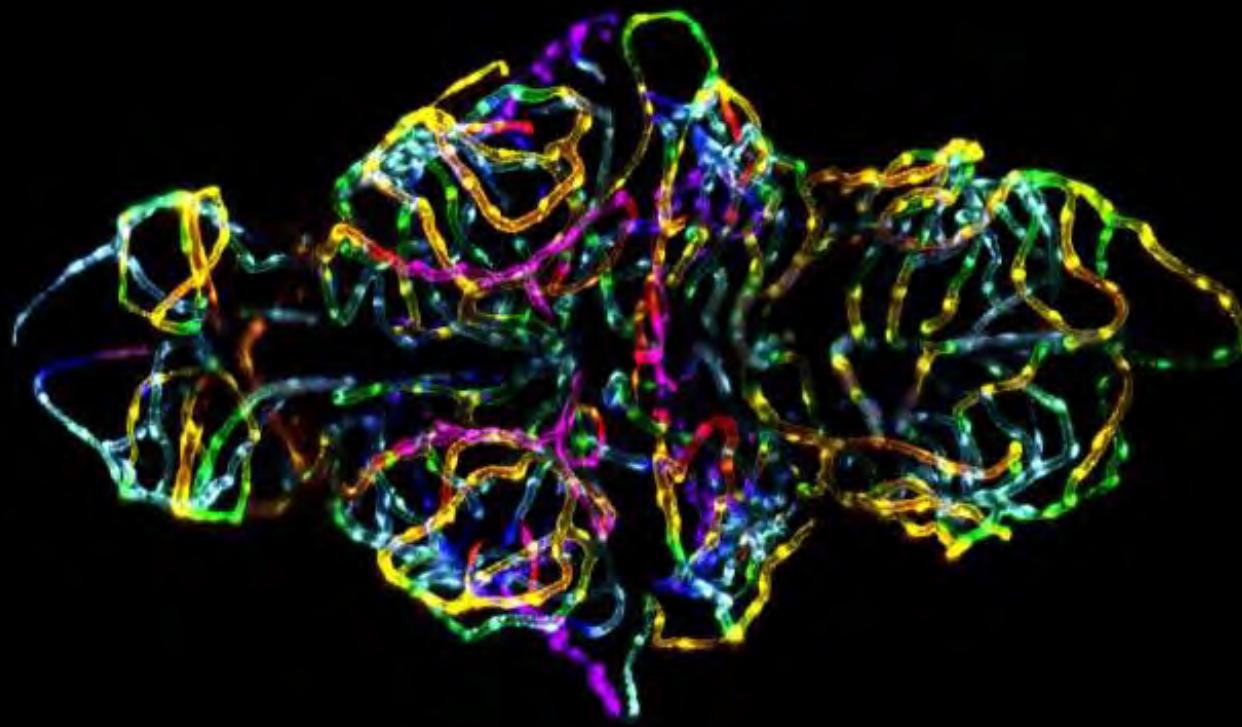


tight junction adhesion molecules



integral membrane
protein families
Occludin and
Claudin strongly
bind to their
counterparts on the
adjacent cell

example: blood brain barrier



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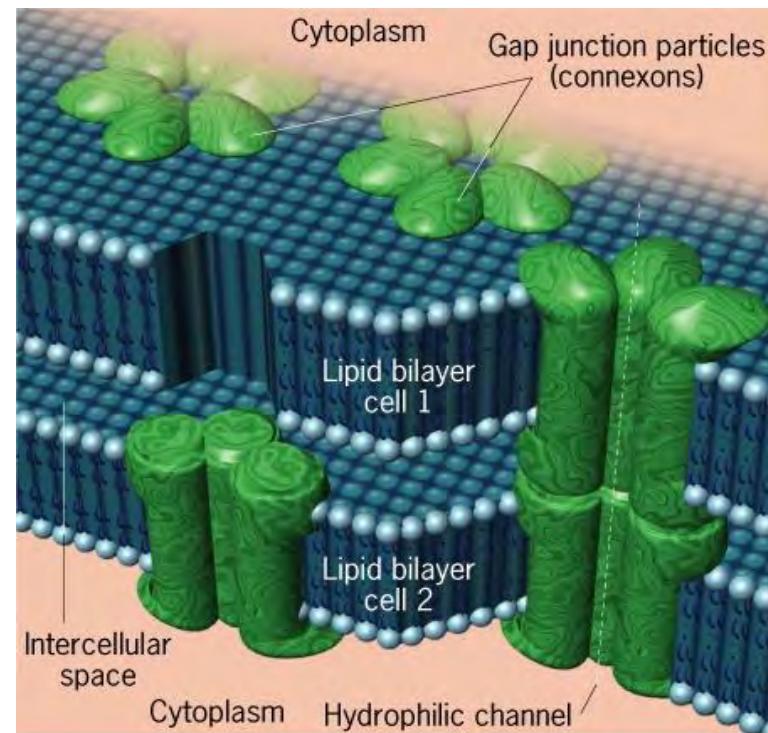
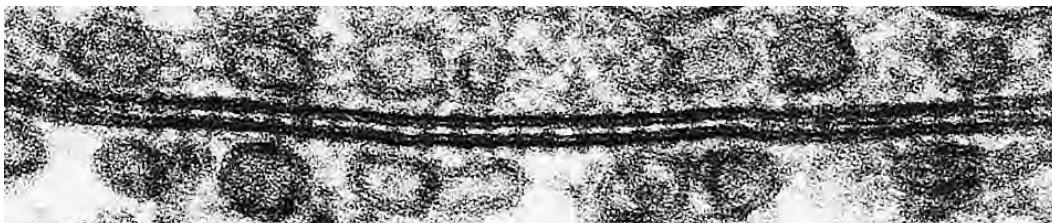
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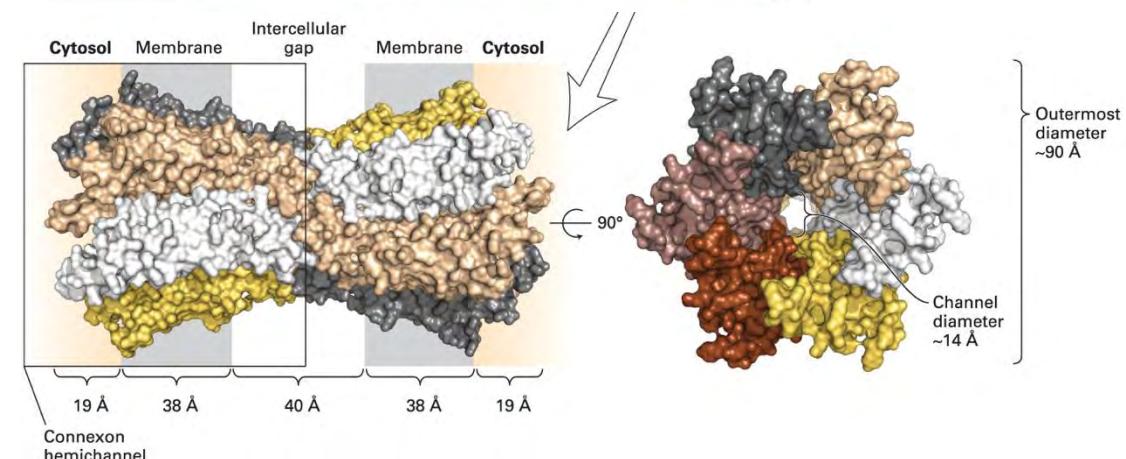
The blood-brain barrier in
a live zebrafish embryo
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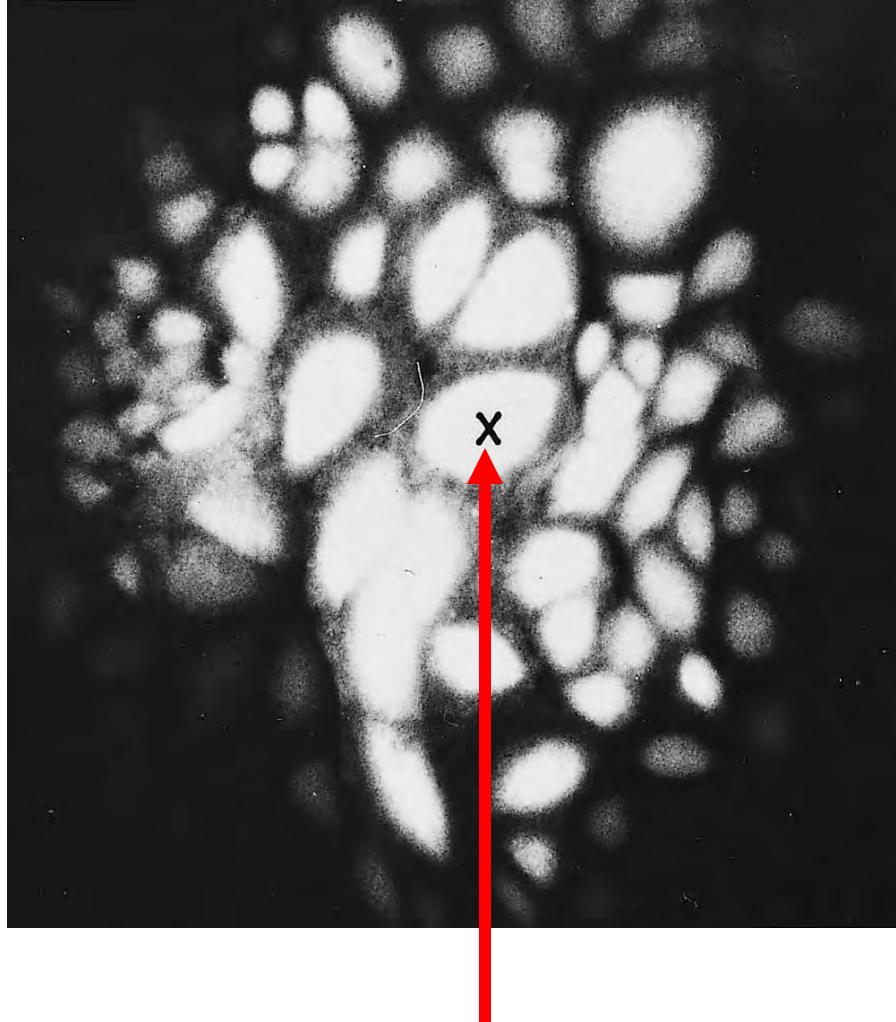
gap junctions

- permit intercellular communication
- channels between cells that allow passage of small molecules (ions, amino acids, nucleosides, etc.) (continuous)
- major protein is connexin which forms channels through the plasma membrane
- regulated 1.5nm inner diameter



what similarities
and differences to
plasmodesmata?



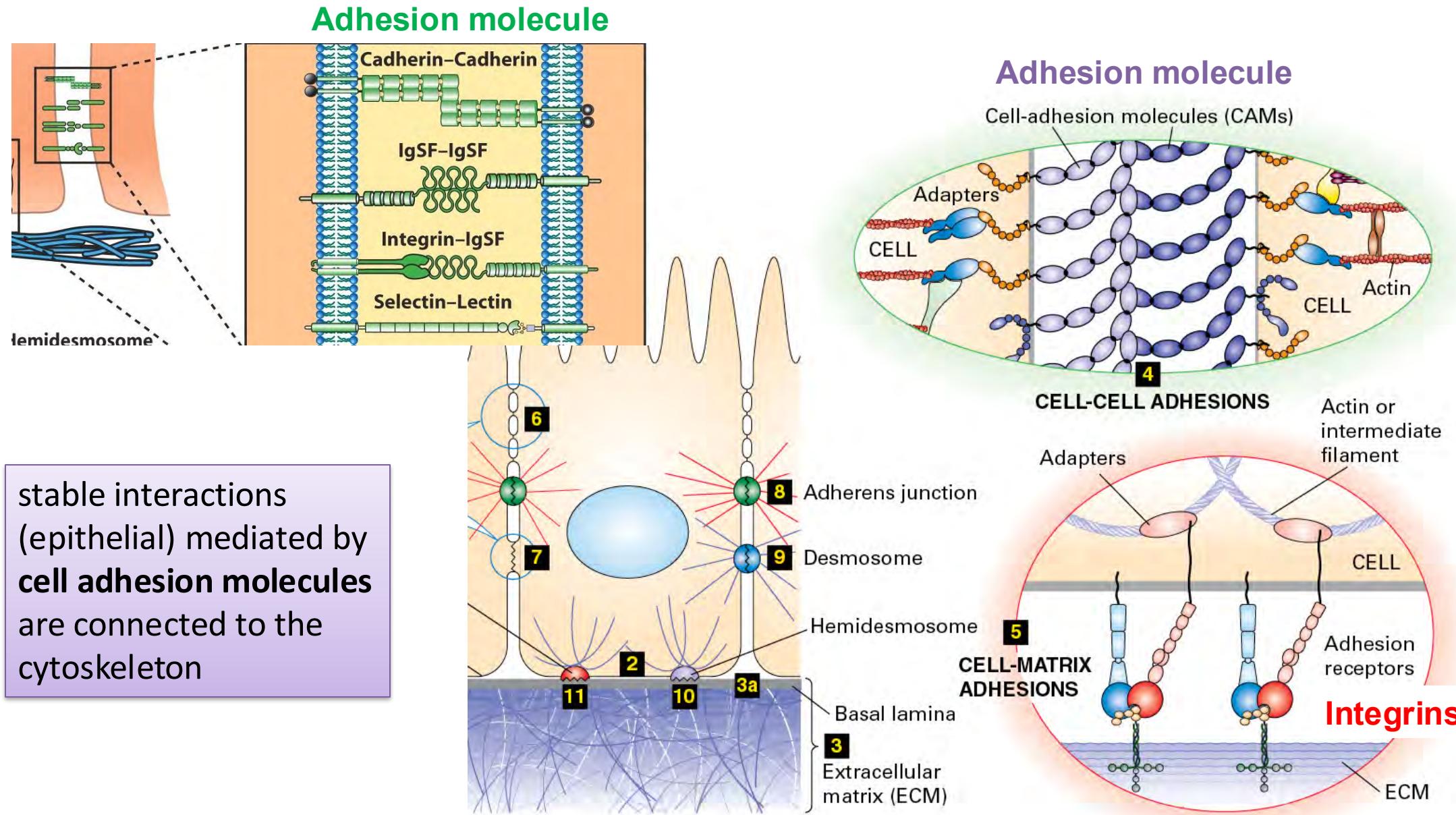


injected cell

how do we know that gap junctions are passages between cells?

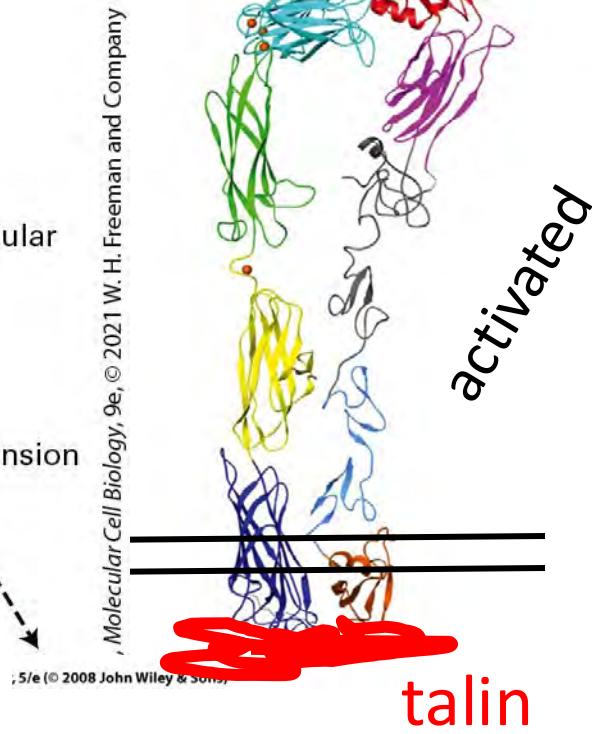
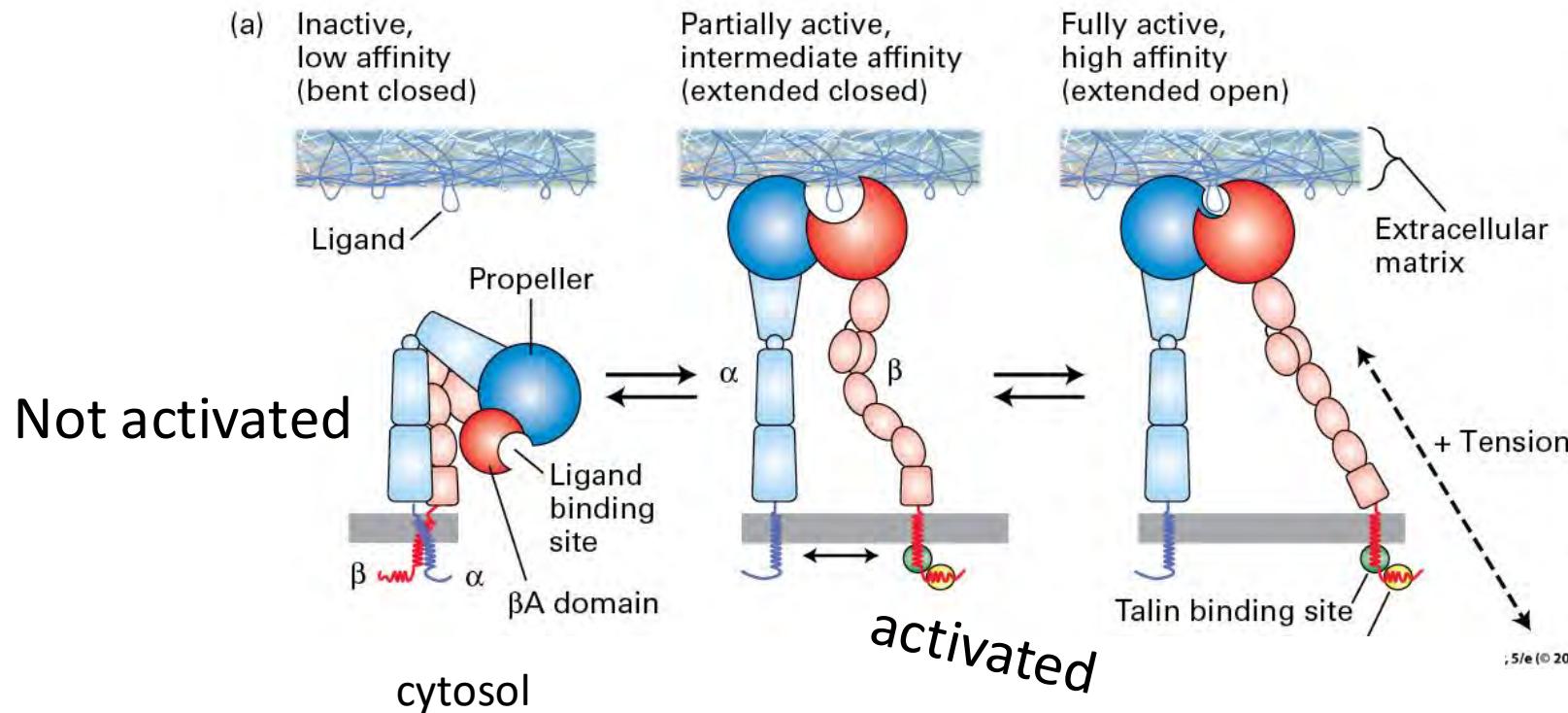
- inject fluorescently labeled small molecules into one cell
- observe that label traverses through gap junctions and into neighboring cells

cells adhere to the ECM and to neighbors



Flashback: integrins can bind to RGD-containing ECM

- Integrins change conformation to bind a substrate
- Can also bind Ig-Superfamily members
- *inside-out-signaling* – cell is ready to attach
- Outside-in-signaling – cell is attached

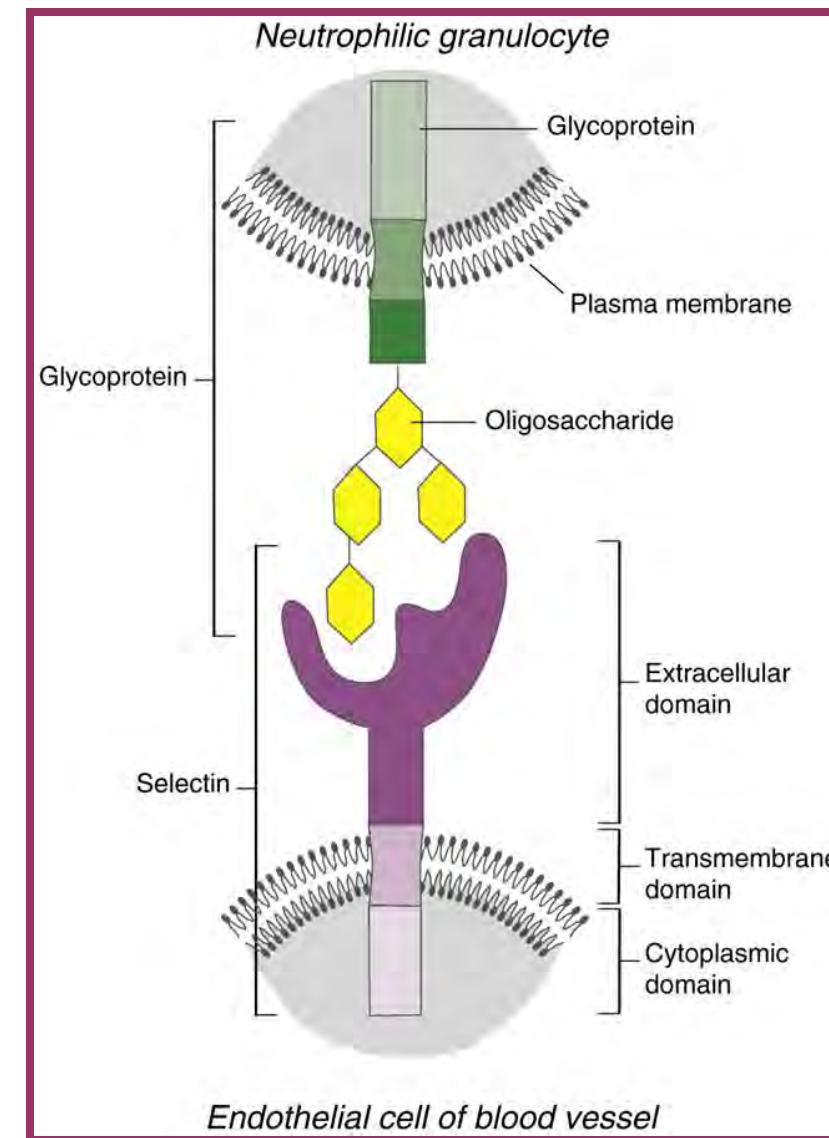


Selectins mediate cell associations/movement

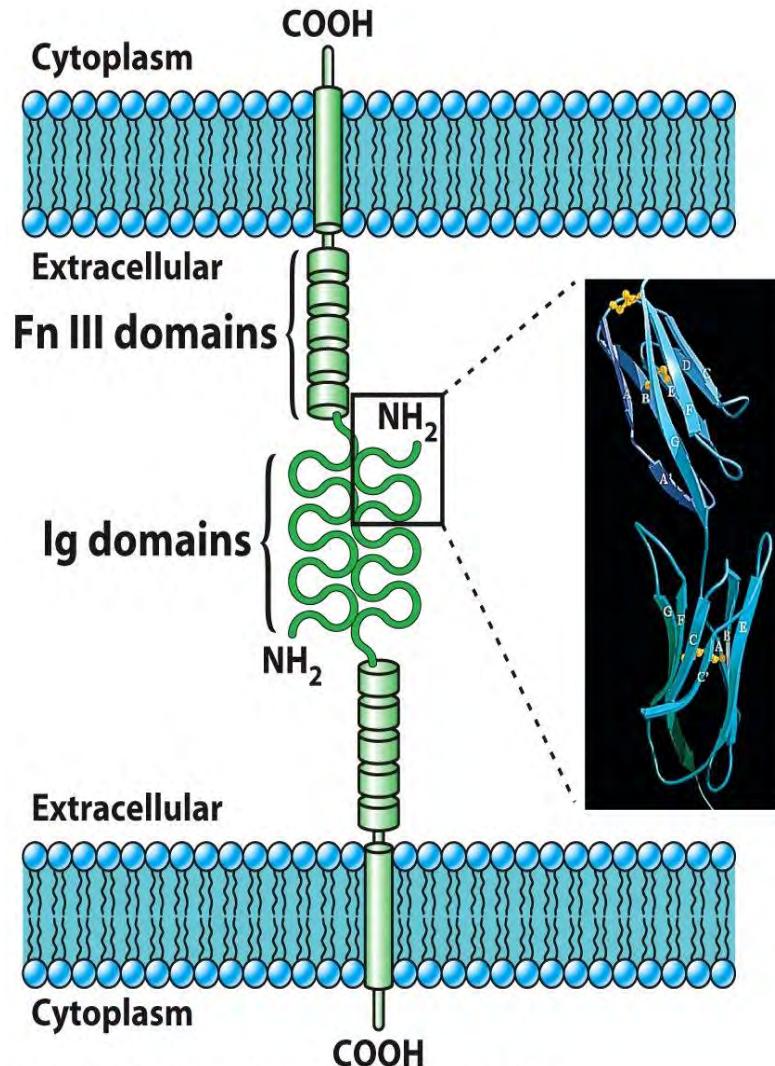
- Lectin (protein) domain binds to carbohydrates on glycoprotein

e.g: white blood cells in extravasation

You will see more about this in discussion



Ig-superfamily members (IgSF) can have homotypic or heterotypic adhesion



- Integral membrane proteins
- Multiple Cell Adhesion Molecules (CAMs) (L1)
- Immunoglobulin (Ig) domain of one N-CAM binds to opposing N-CAM
- Or bind to integrins
- Ca⁺²-independent
- If antibodies to N-CAM are added to cultured neurons, the neurons dissociate

Cadherins mediate cell-cell adhesion (homotypic adhesion)

- Multiple types of cadherins; each type mediates adhesion of different types of cells (e.g. P, E, etc.)
- Extracellular domain has Ca^{+2} binding sites.
- Blocking antibodies can cause dissociation
- Cadherin are also in epithelial cell junctions

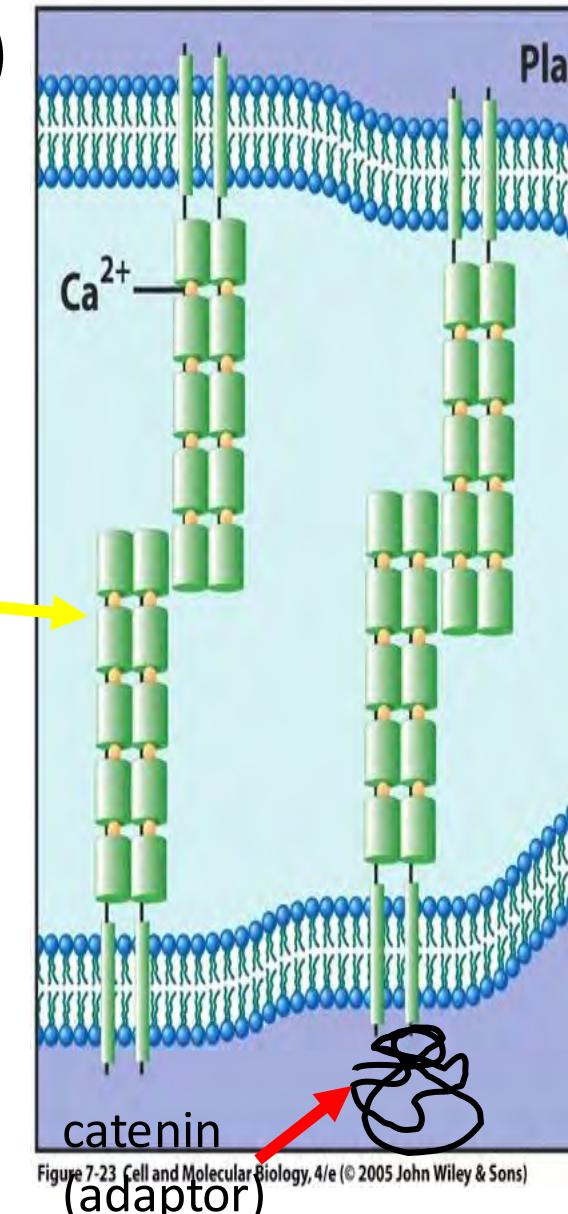
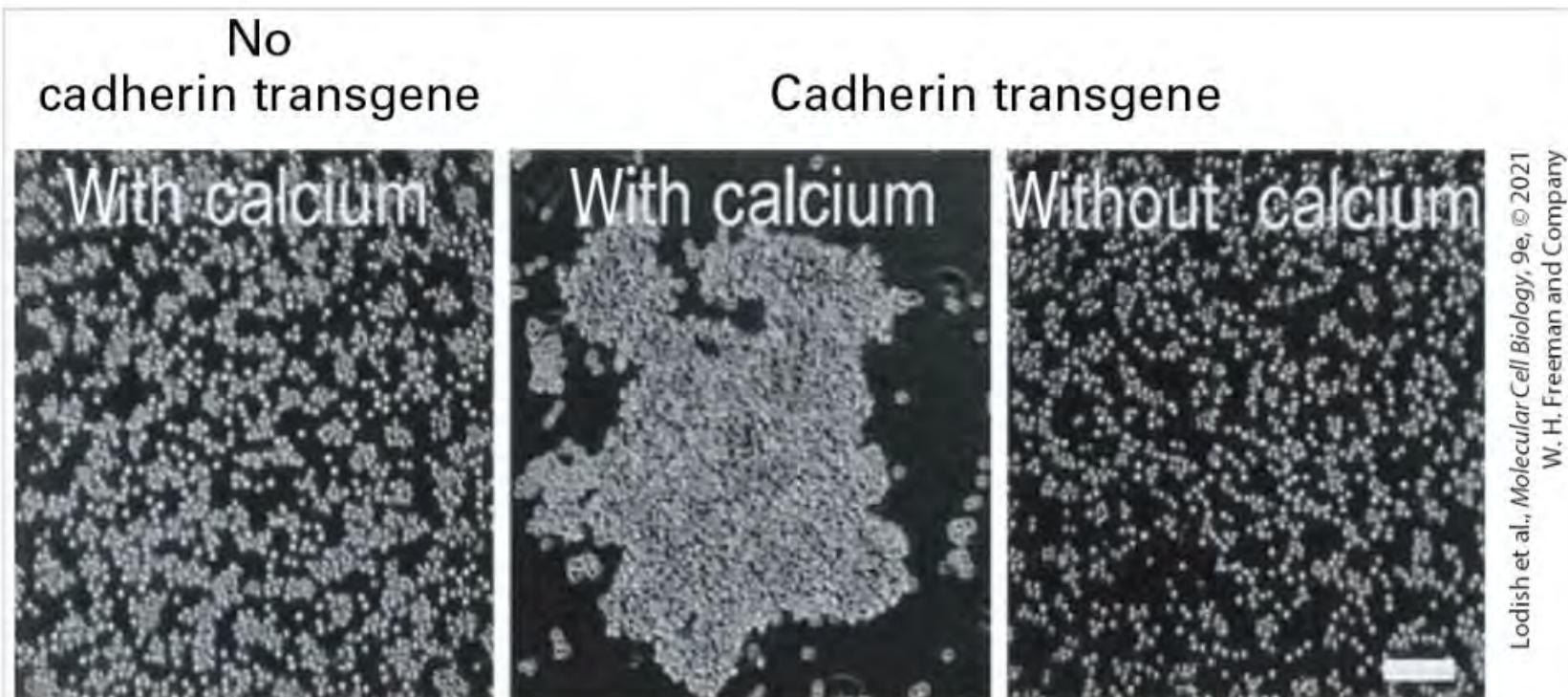


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catenin
(adaptor)

a cadherin experiment

Adhesion is Ca^{2+} -dependent



EXPERIMENTAL FIGURE 20-12 E-cadherin mediates Ca^{2+} -dependent adhesion of L cells. U

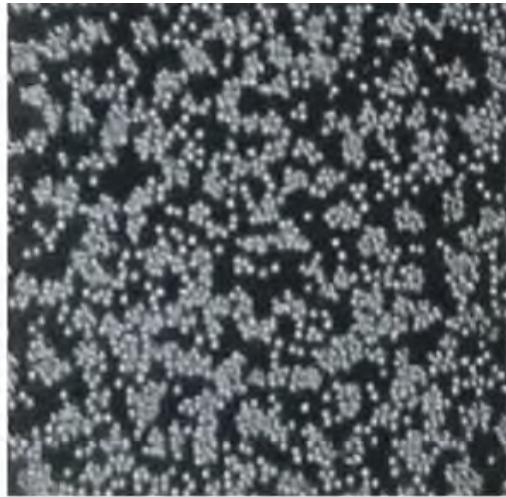
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another cadherin experiment

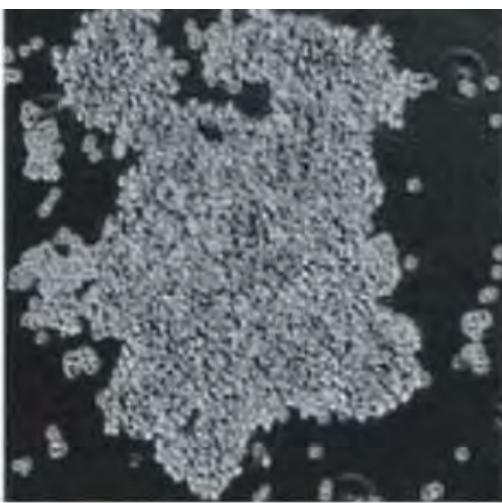
What happens if you add **E-cadherin** to some cells and **N-cadherin** to other cell then mix them?

- a) they don't stick
- b) they stick weakly
- c) they clump into two groups

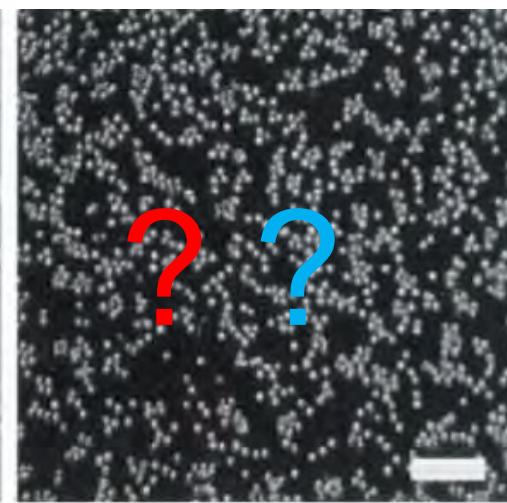
No cadherins



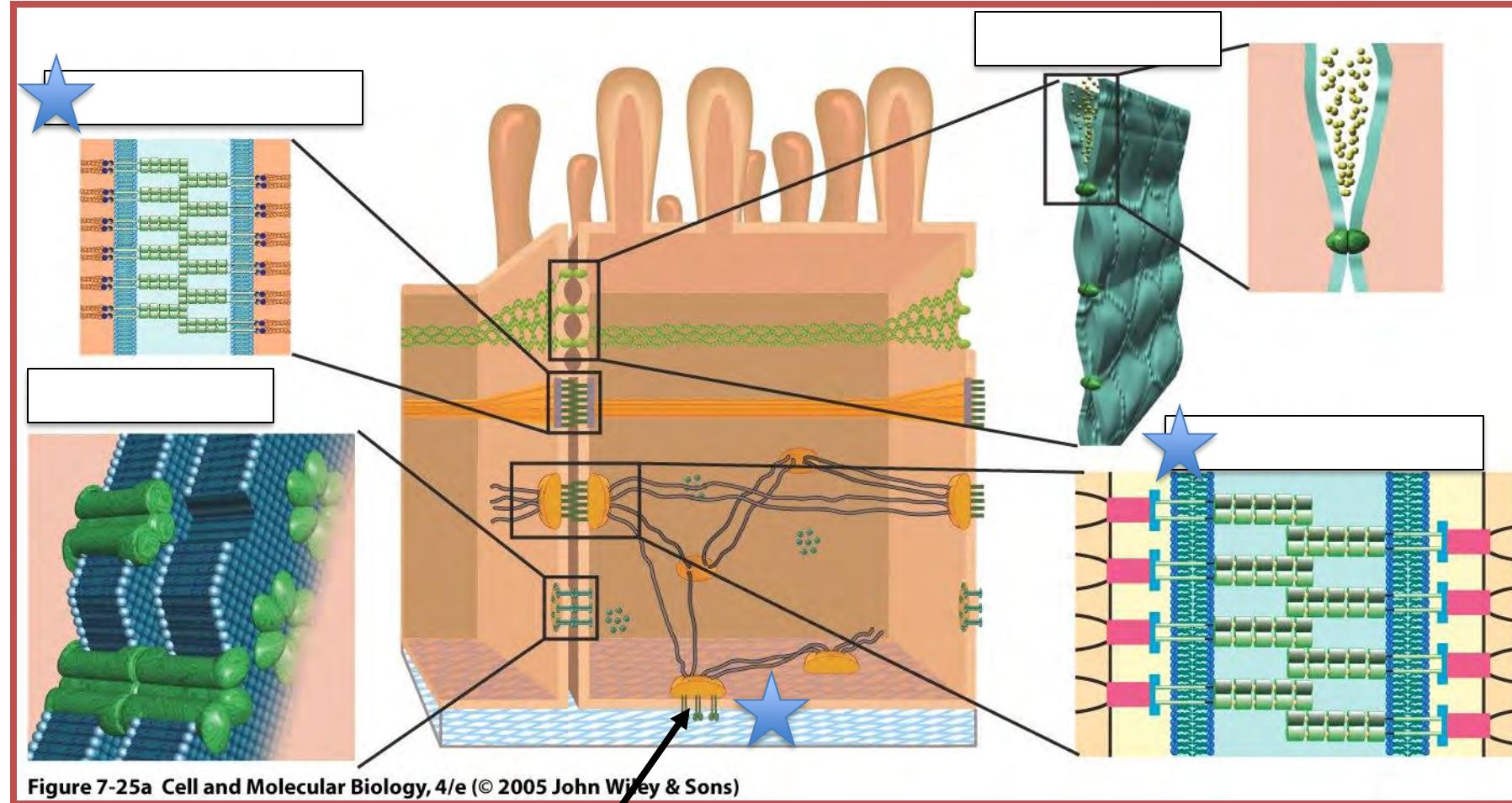
One cadherin



Two different cadherins?

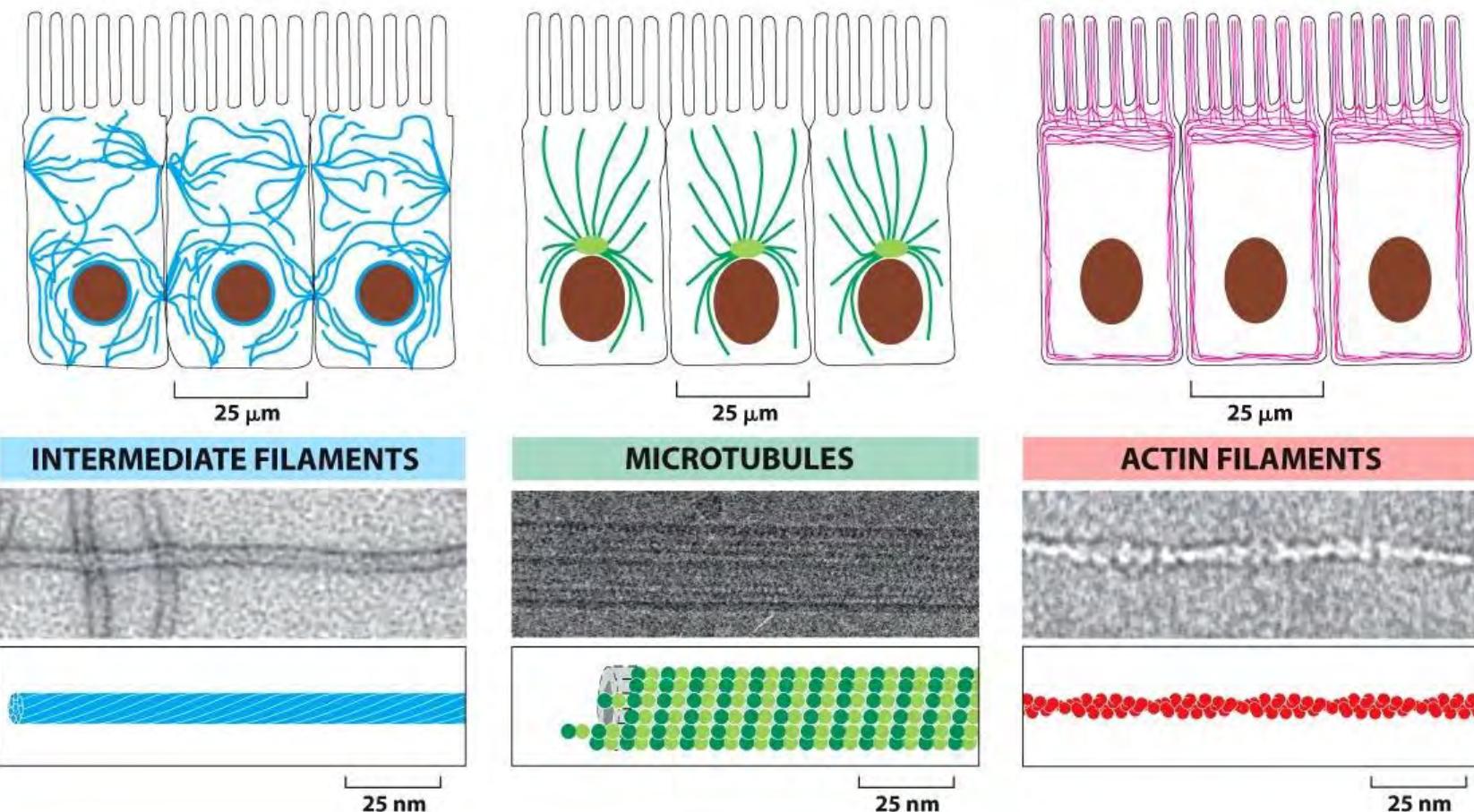


in epithelia, four types of cell junctions connect cells to each other and link to cytoskeleton



Hemidesmosomes – junctions with ECM and intermediate filaments
and focal adhesions (not shown) ⭐

three types of cytoskeletal filaments



adherens junctions couple the **actin** cytoskeleton of neighboring cells

the integral membrane protein

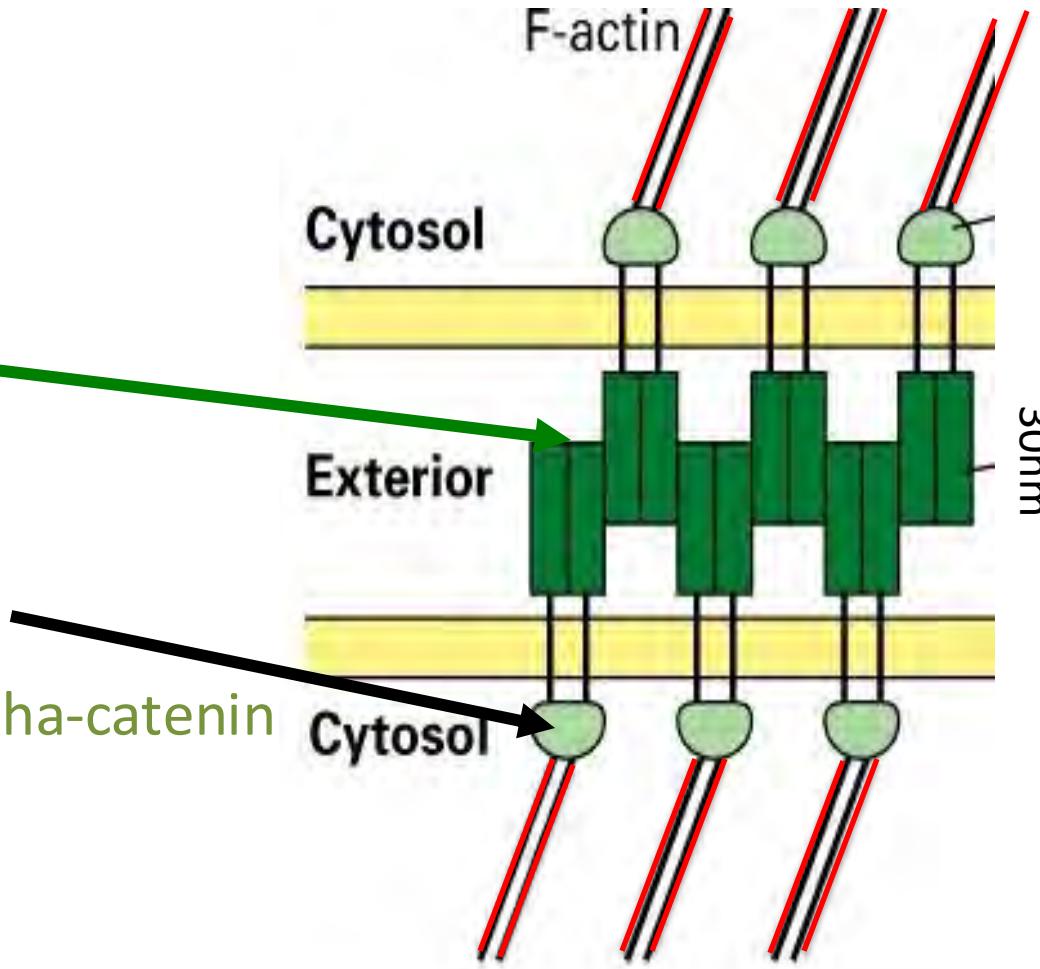
Cadherin

Adhesion molecule

and adaptor proteins

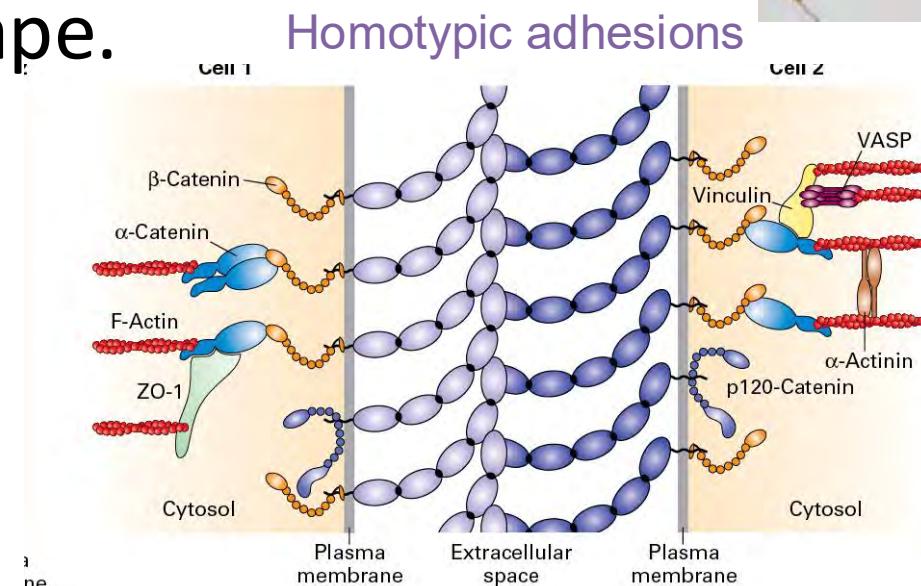
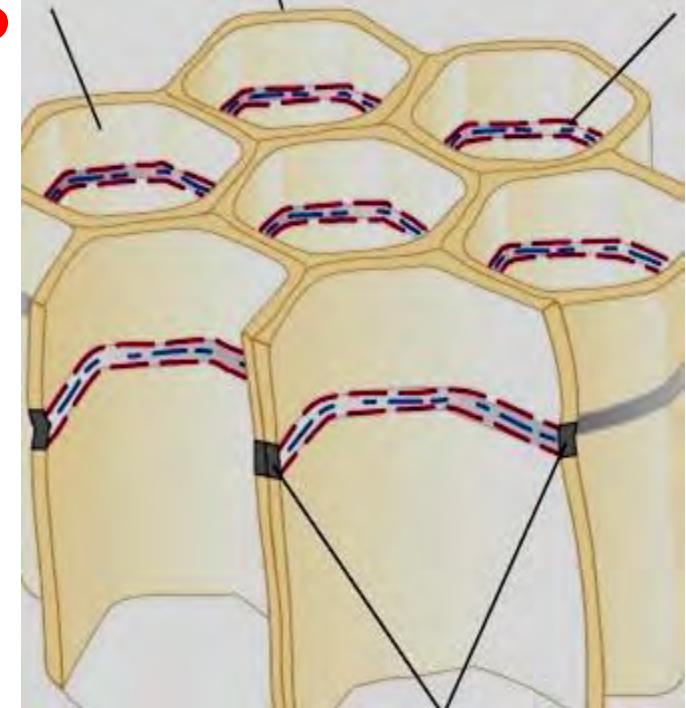
such as **beta-catenin, alpha-catenin**
connect cadherin to

actin filaments



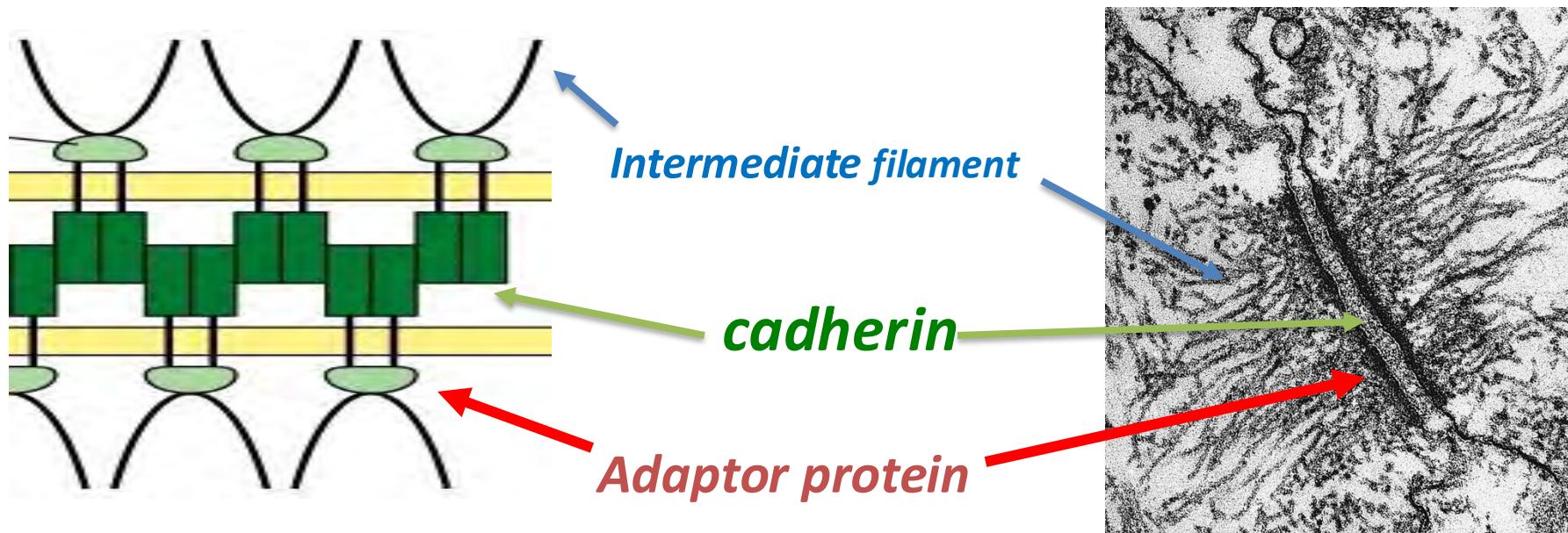
adherens junctions

- adherens junctions coordinate cell-cell activity and help stabilize the epithelium
 - **Actin-myosin filaments** form a “belt” around each cell that allows a group of cells to coordinate shape.
 - they are frequently associated with tight junctions



desmosomes

- important cell-cell adhesions for structural support/mechanical strength of tissue (e.g. skin epithelia, heart muscle)
- 1 μ m discs (not belts)
- Cadherin proteins (called desmogleins & desmocollins) connect to adaptor proteins that connect to cytoskeletal component intermediate filaments
- (remember hemi-desmosomes? they also link to intermediate filaments)



recall

Integrins associate with cytoskeleton in hemidesmosomes = cell-matrix adhesions: basal side of cells (filaments) attach to basement membrane

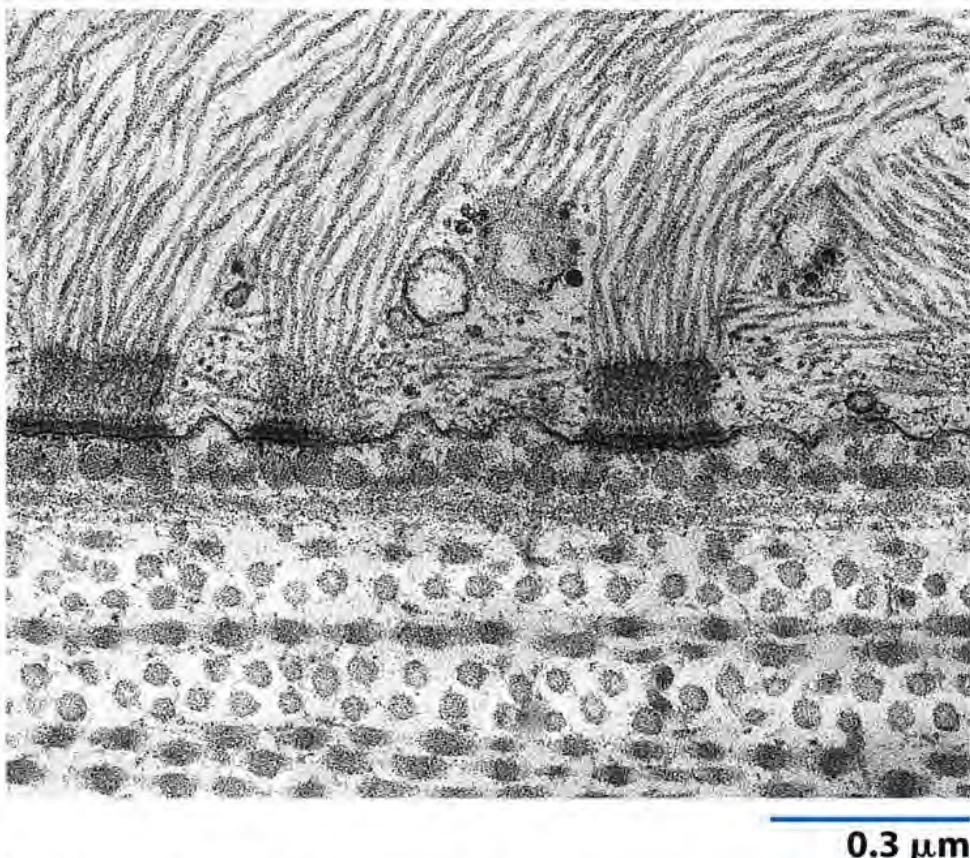


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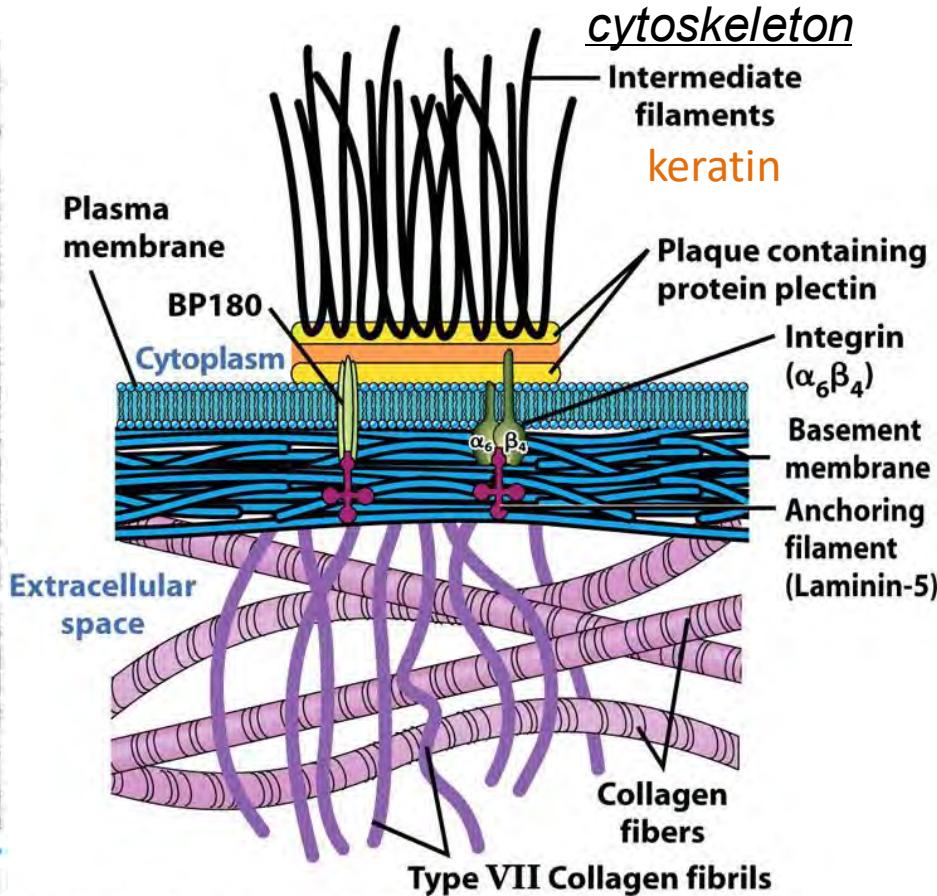
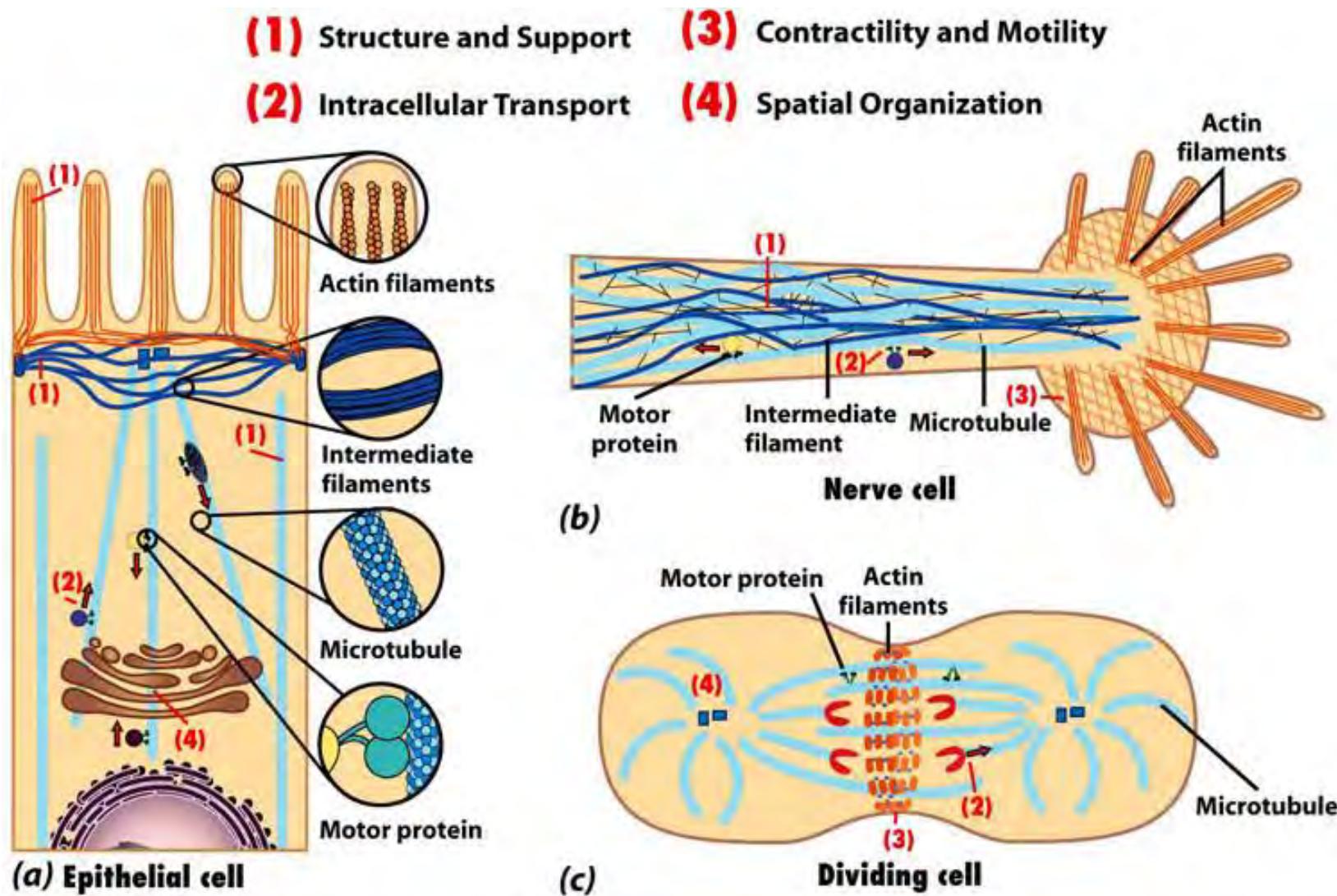
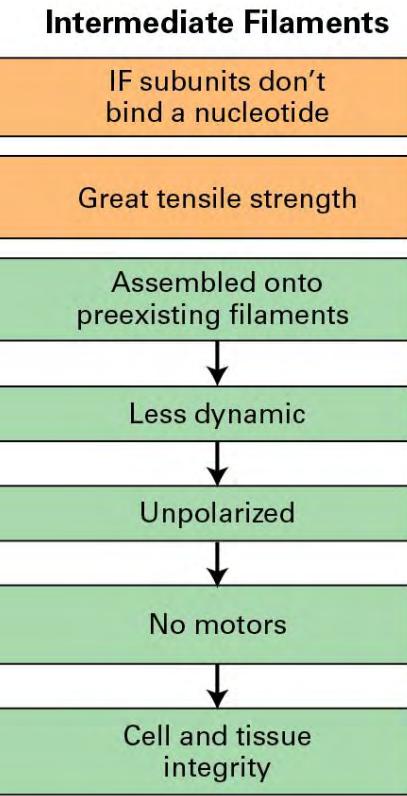


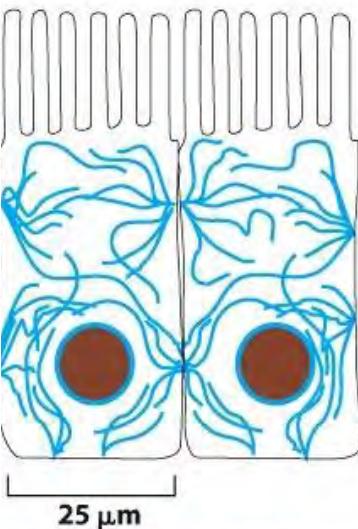
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cytoskeleton overview



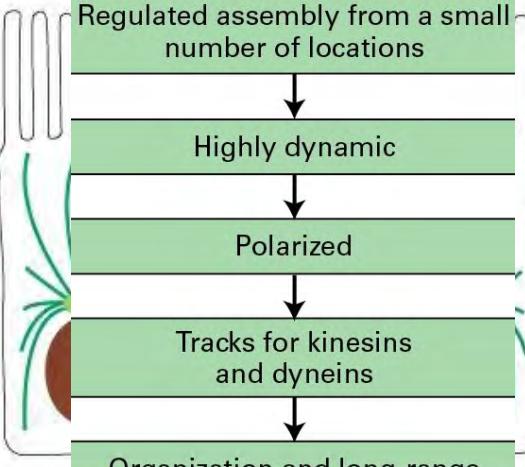
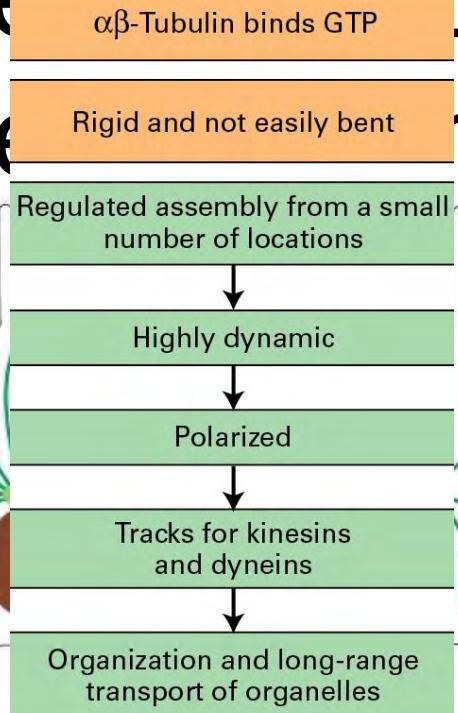


three types of skeletal filaments...

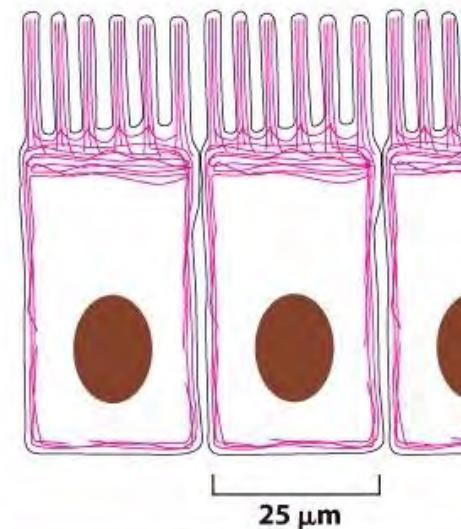
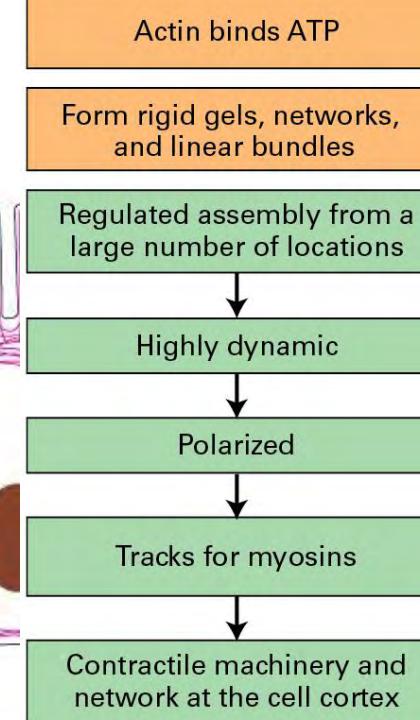


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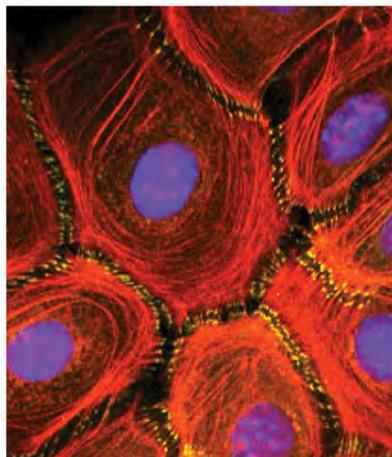
Microtubules



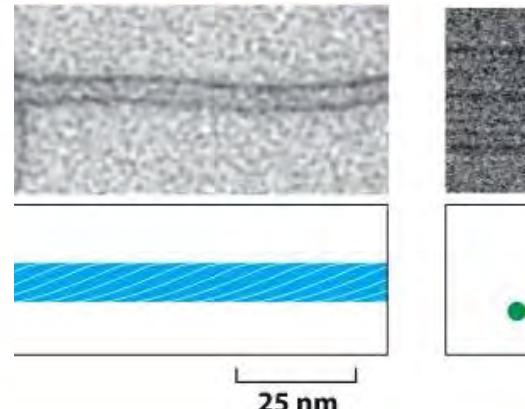
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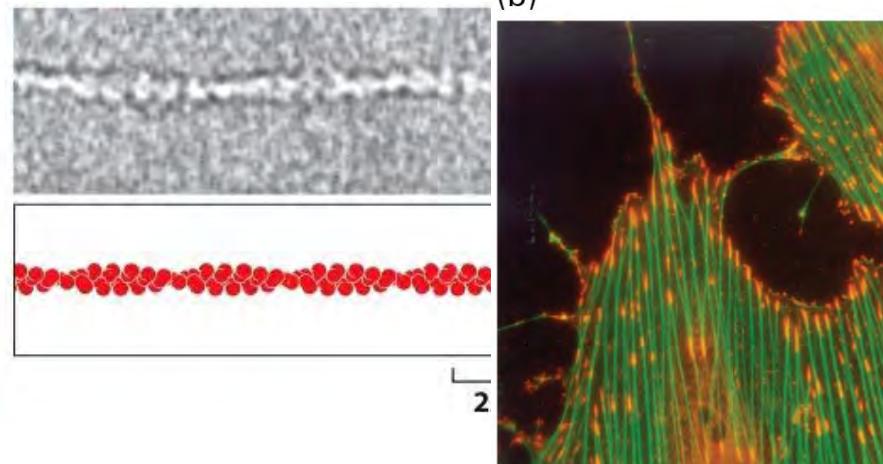
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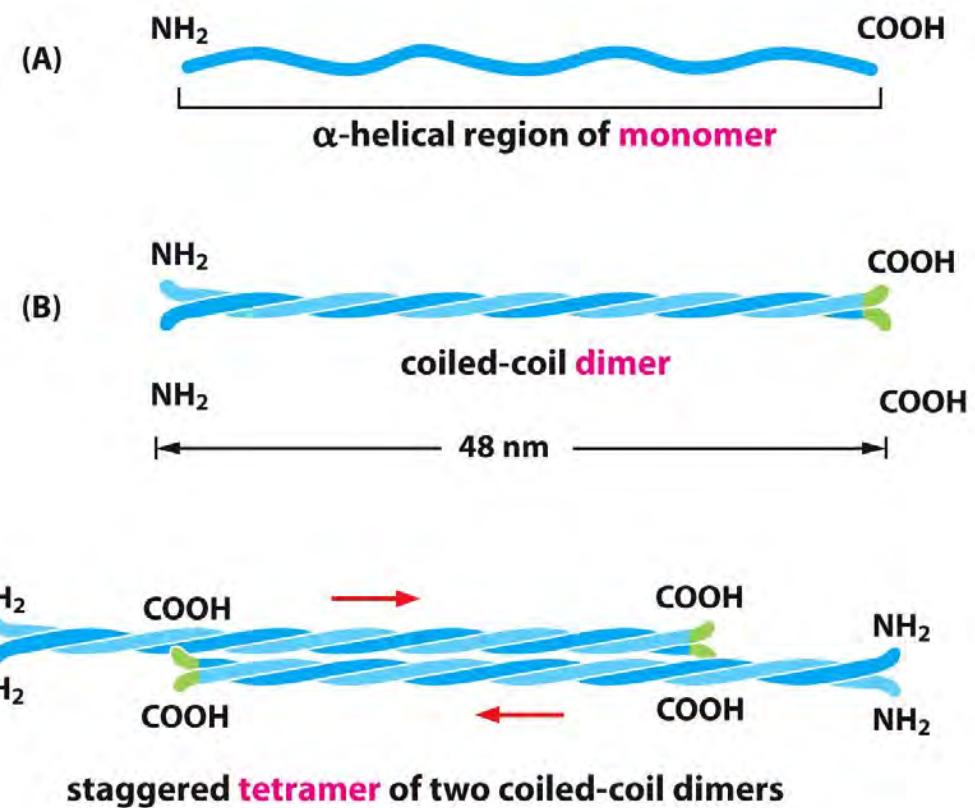
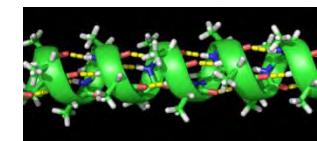


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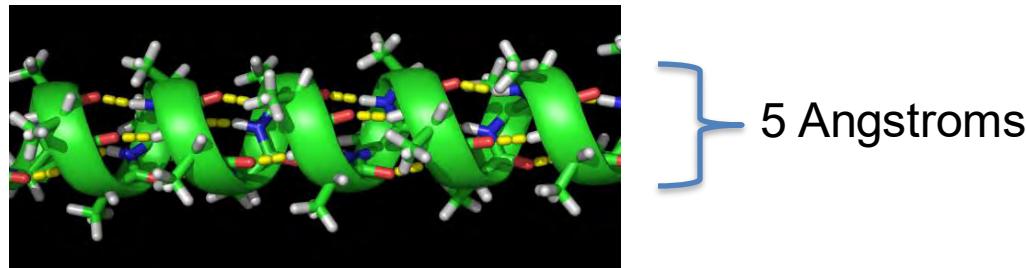


intermediate filaments

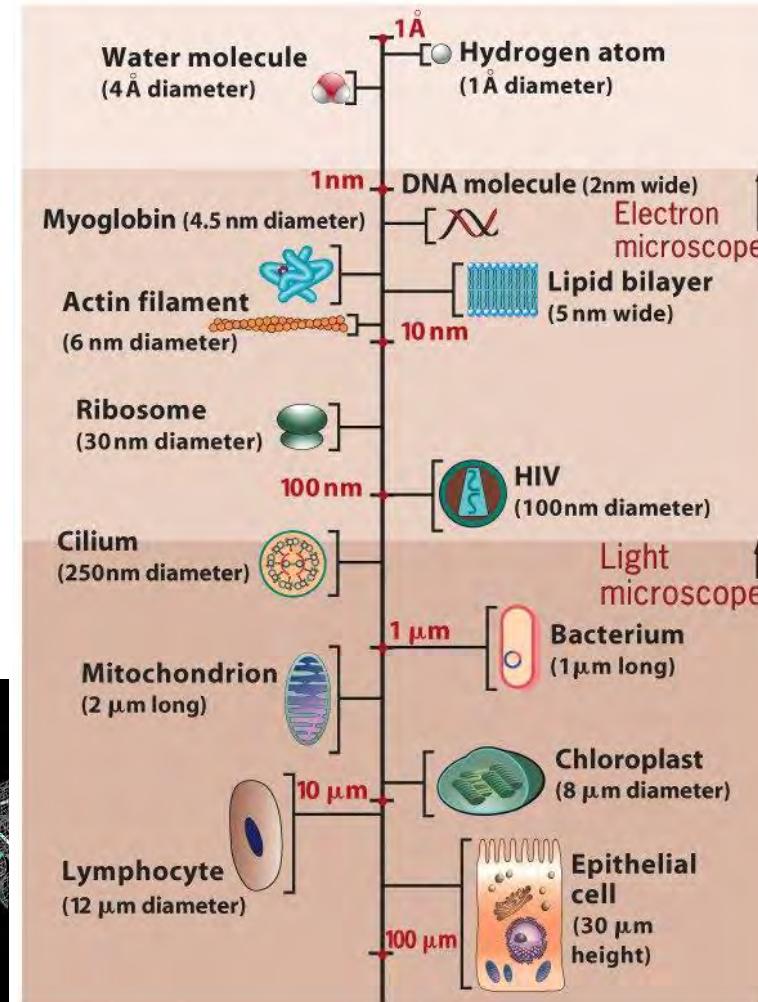
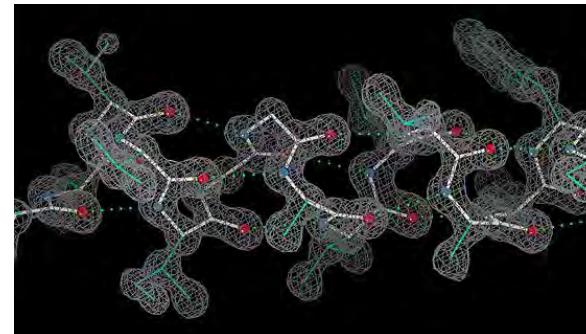
- **non-polarized** fibers of proteins = __ nm in diameter
- **mechanical support**, nuclear lamina, neurofilaments of axons
- heterogeneous- >65 genes but structurally similar
 - keratin, vimentin, desmin, lamin, nestin, NeuroFilaments



an aside on alpha helices



- side chains face outward, but not much space in the middle



intermediate filaments

- **non-polarized** fibers of proteins = nm in diameter
- **mechanical support**, nuclear lamina, neurofilaments of axons
- heterogeneous- >65 genes but structurally similar
 - keratin, vimentin, desmin, lamin, nestin, NeuroFilaments
- **most stable cytoskeletal structure**; subunits incorporated in middle;
- does NOT require GTP or ATP to form

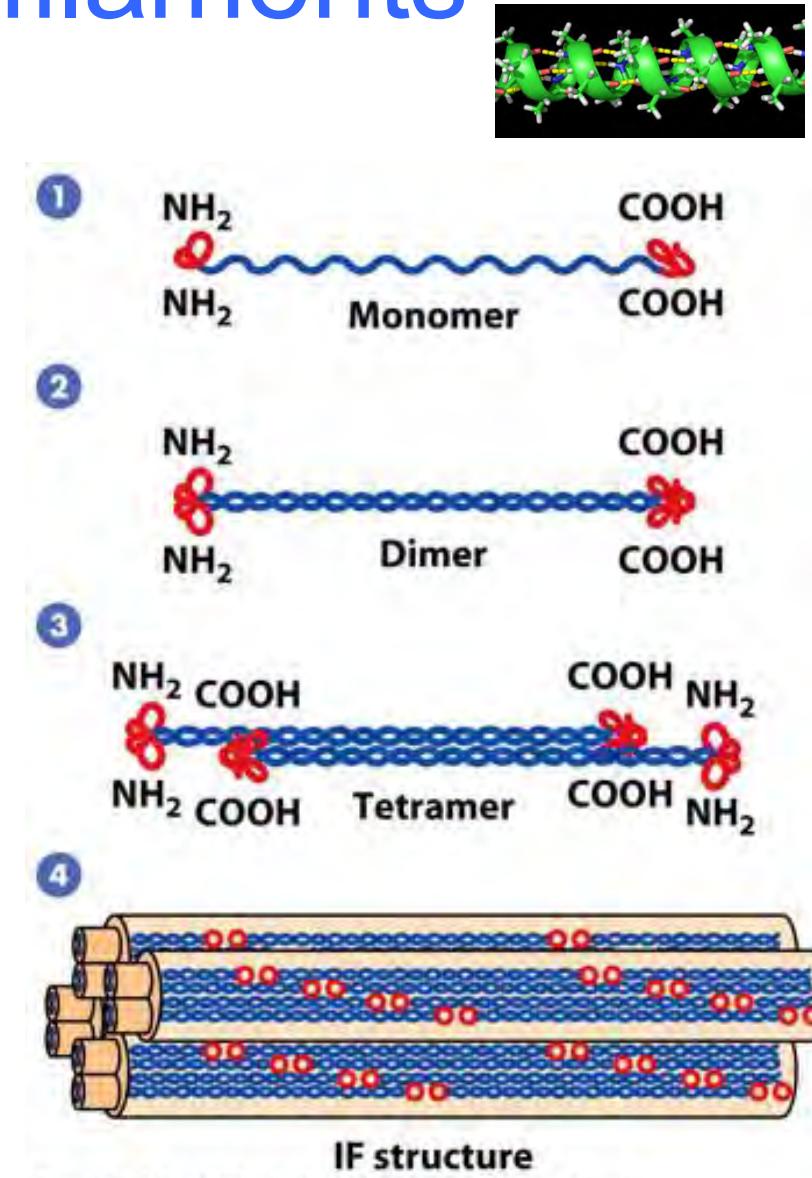
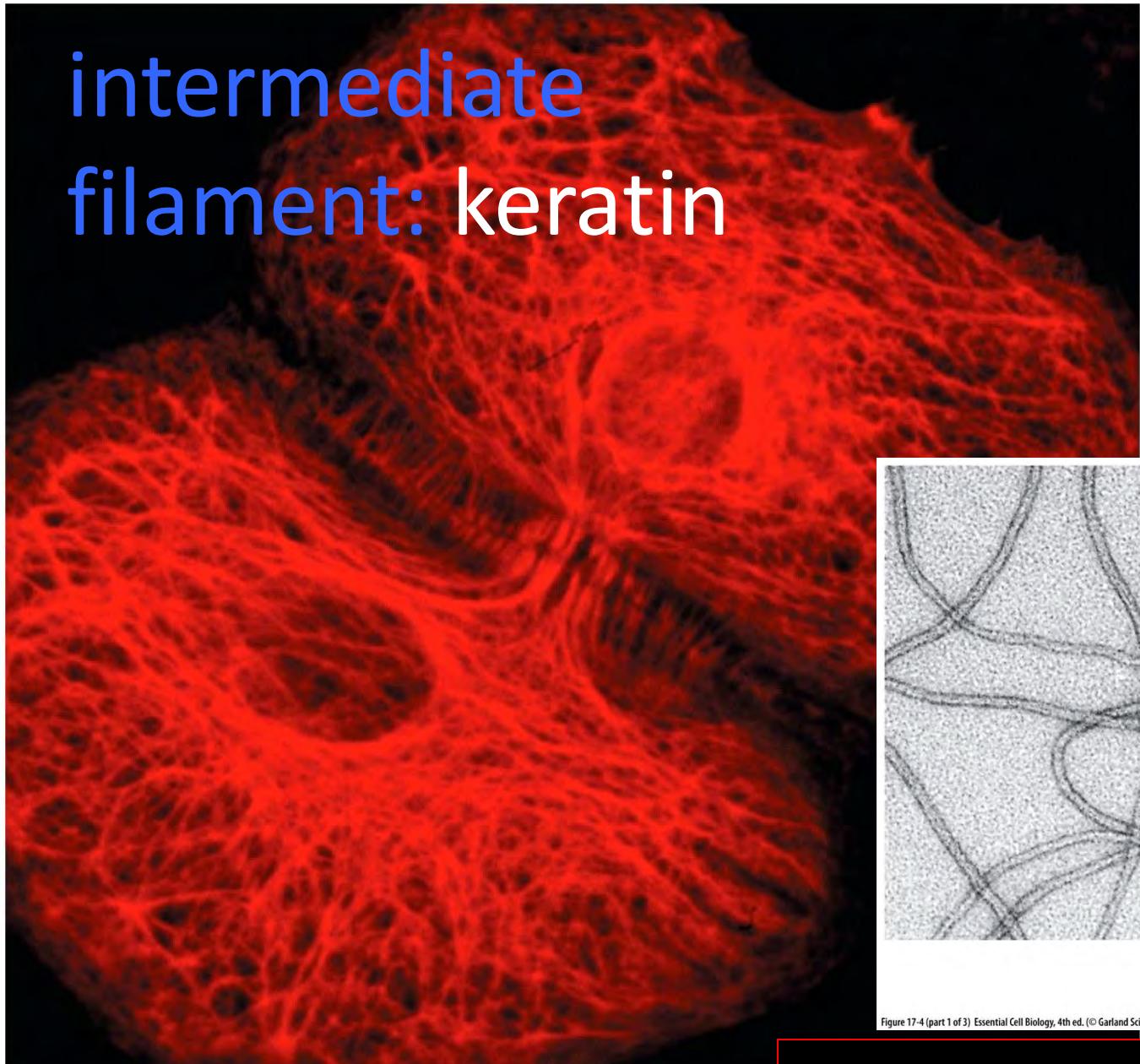
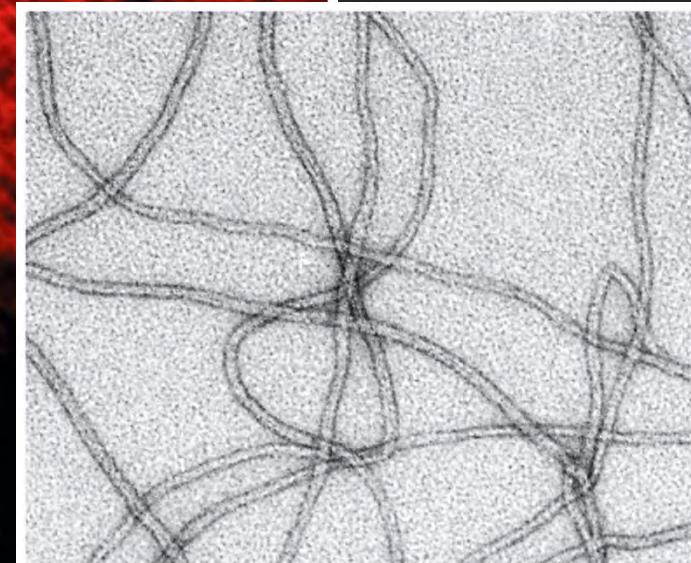


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intermediate filament: keratin



note
flexibility in
shape



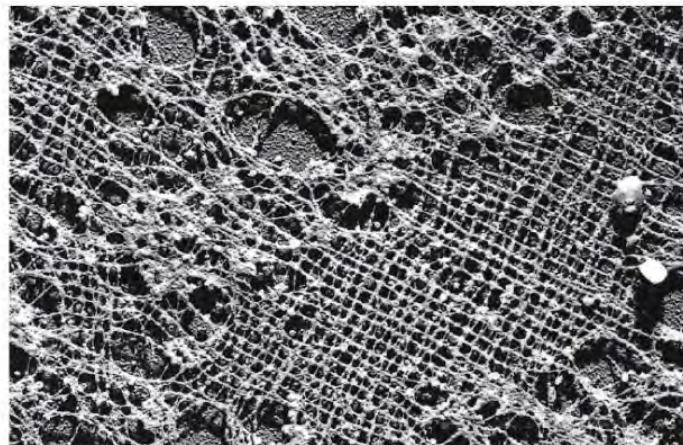
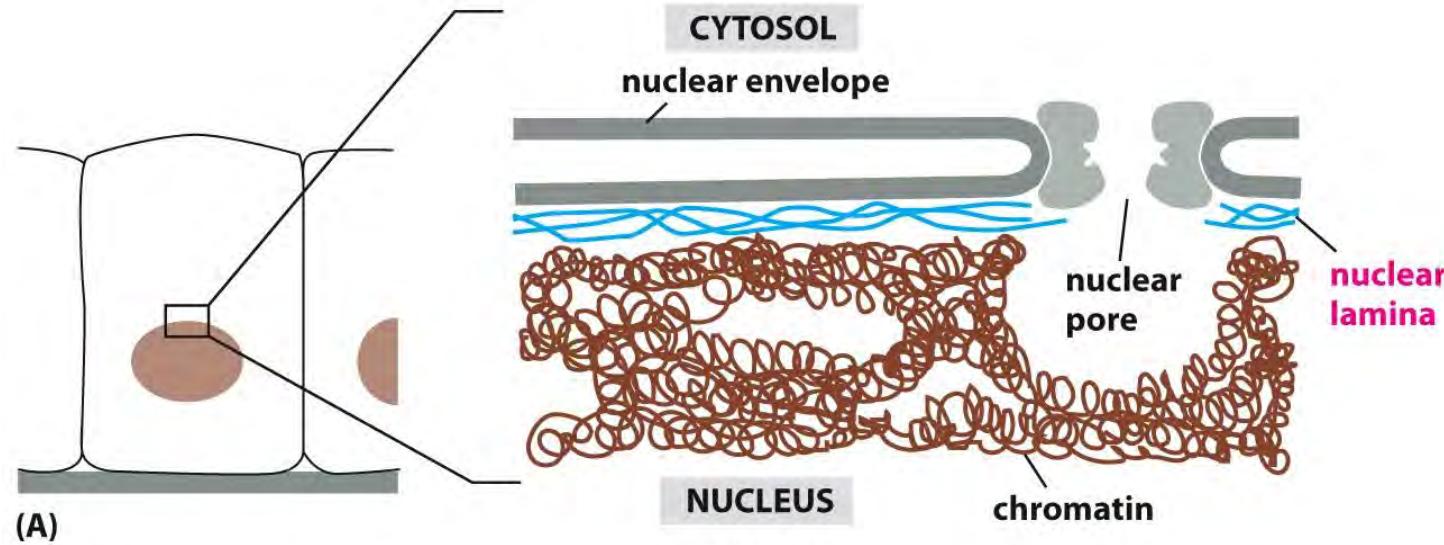
0.1 μm

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From Pierre A. Coulombe and M. Bishr Omary, *Curr. Opin. Cell Biol.* 14:110, 2002

• cultured skin cells

intermediate filaments provide structure to nuclei



nuclear lamins

<- what kind of image is this?

(B)

1 μm

intermediate filaments provide strength to tissues

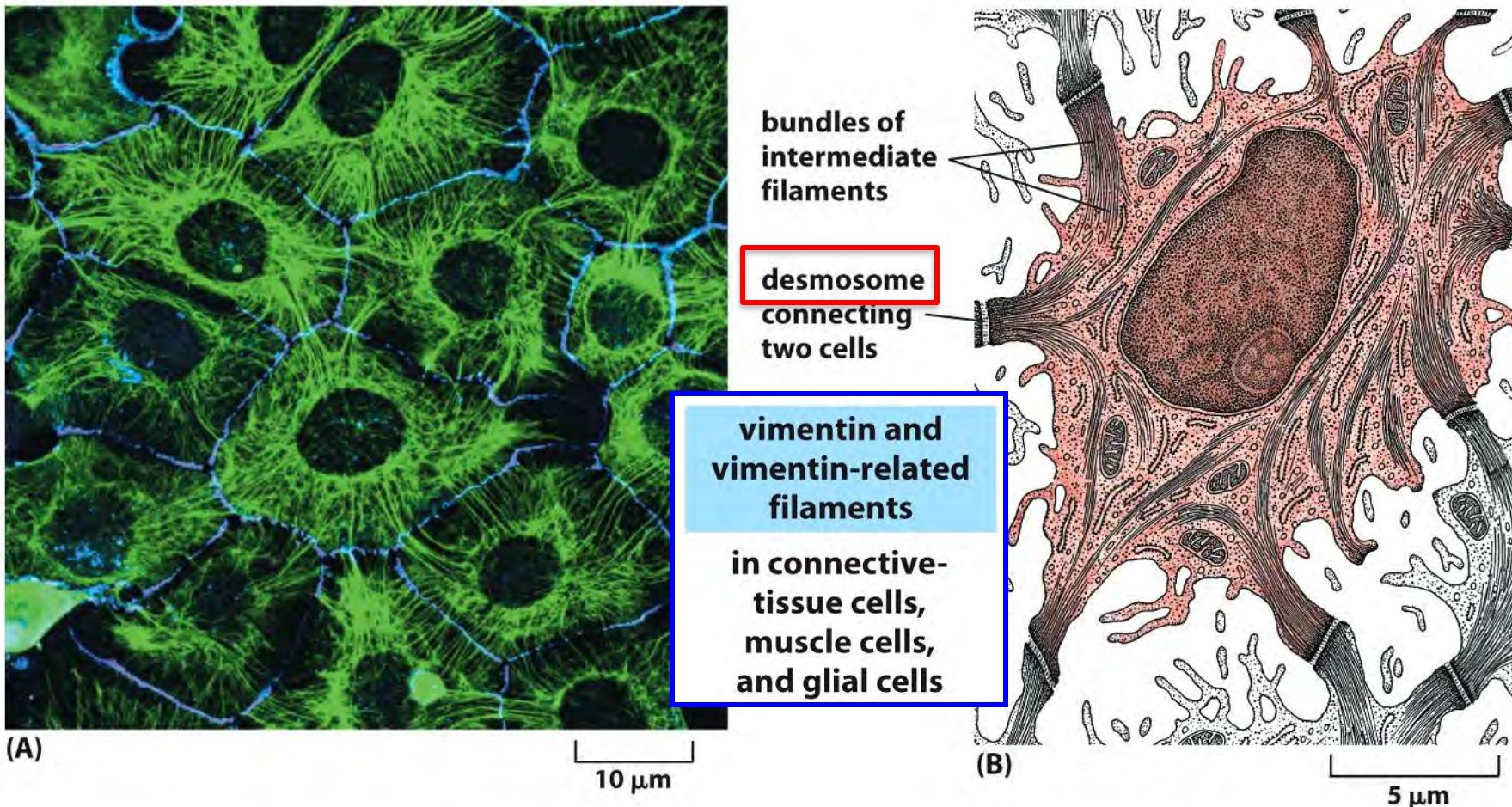
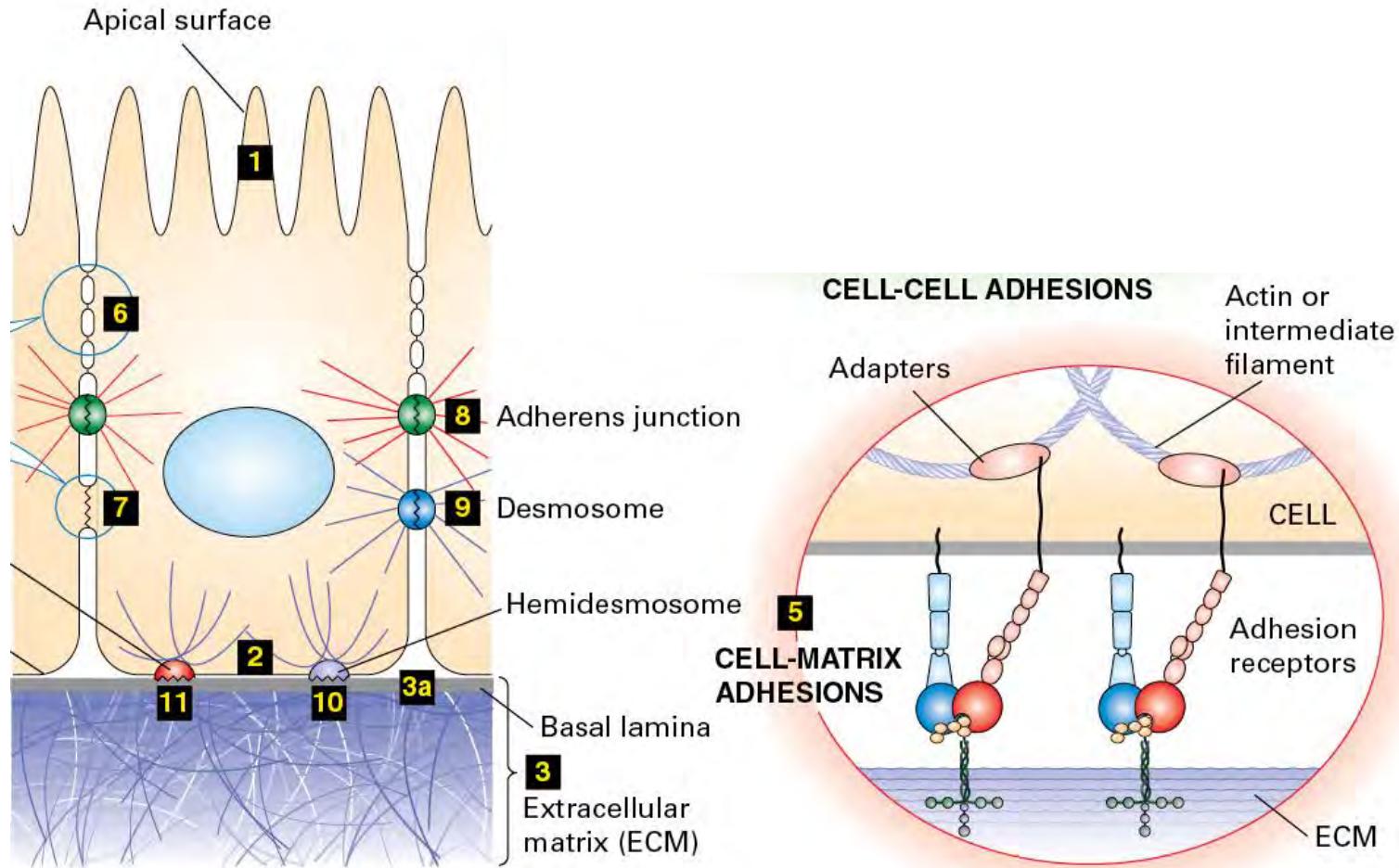


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cells adhere to the ECM and to neighbors

two of these adhesions require intermediate filaments

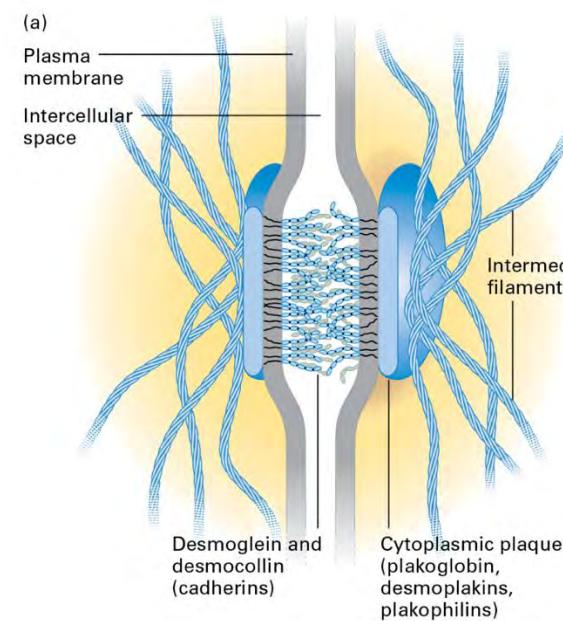


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desmosomes & hemidesmosomes

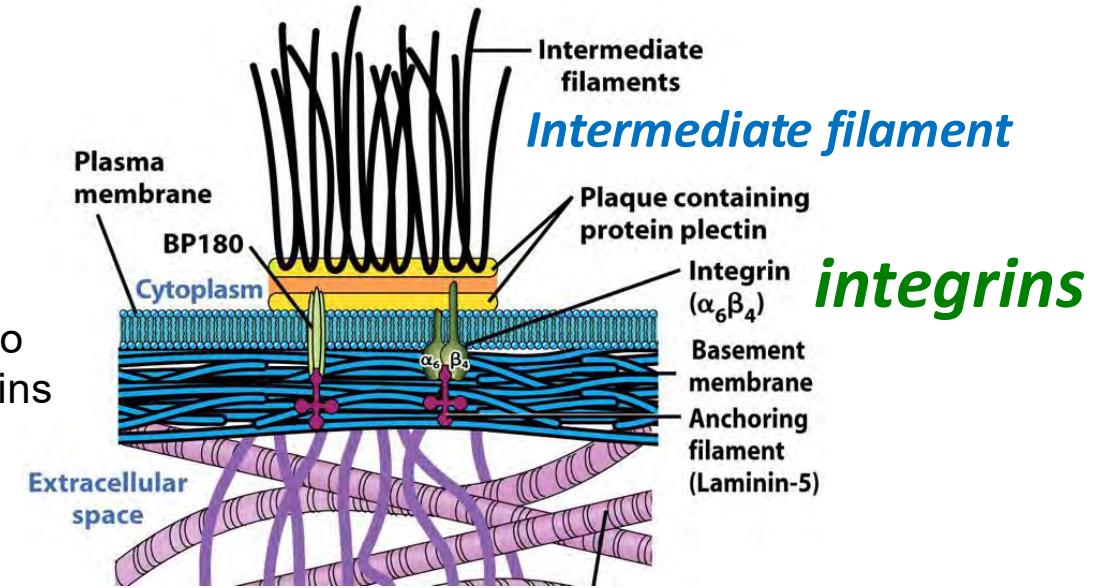
- important cell-cell adhesions for **structural support/mechanical strength**
- desmosomes use Cadherins proteins to bind other cells and connect to intermediate filaments
- hemi-desmosomes use Integrin proteins to bind ECM and link to intermediate filaments

Intermediate filament
cadherin



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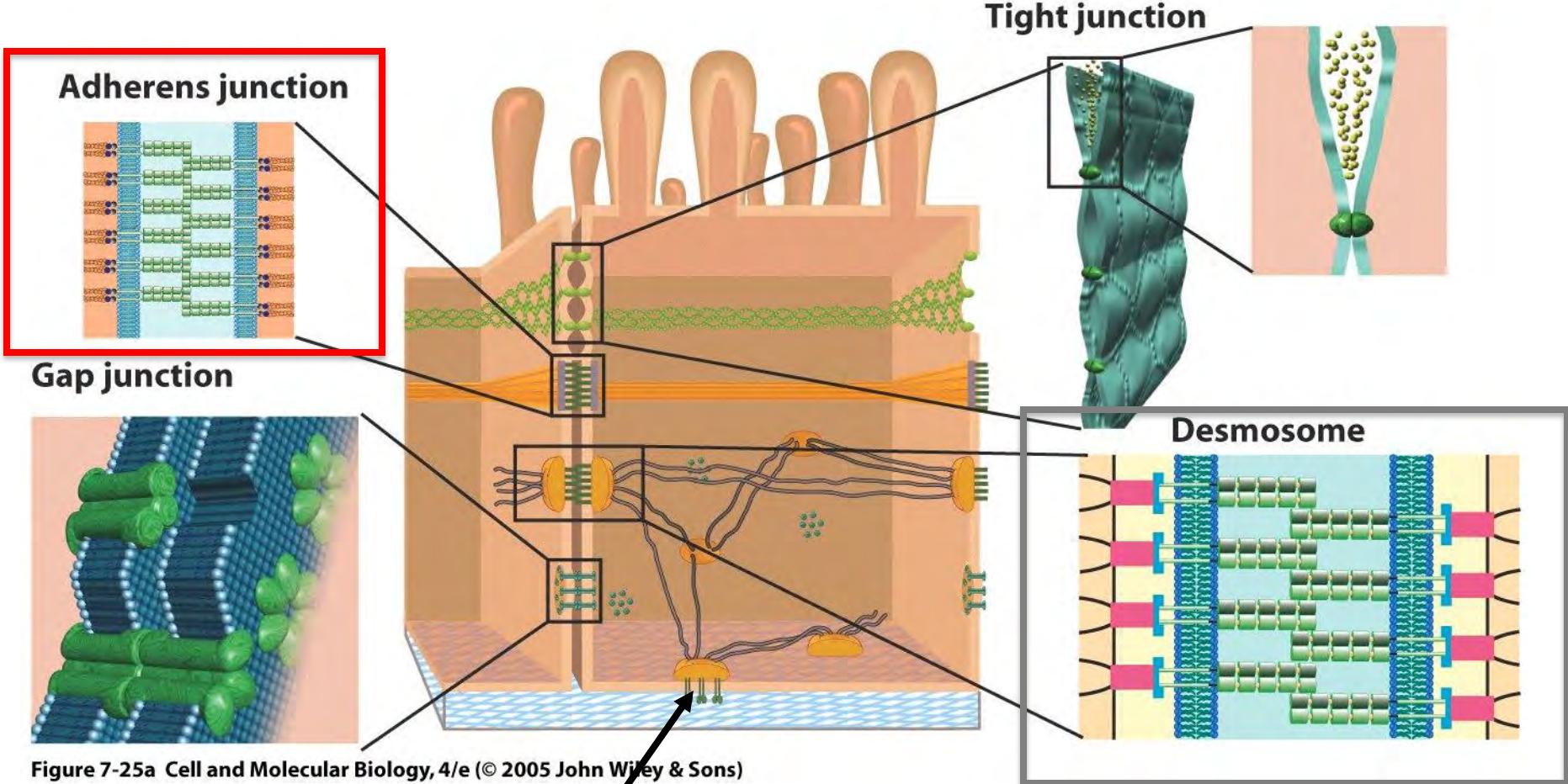
Both adhesions also have adaptor proteins



integrins

major types of cell junctions - three connect to the cytoskeleton

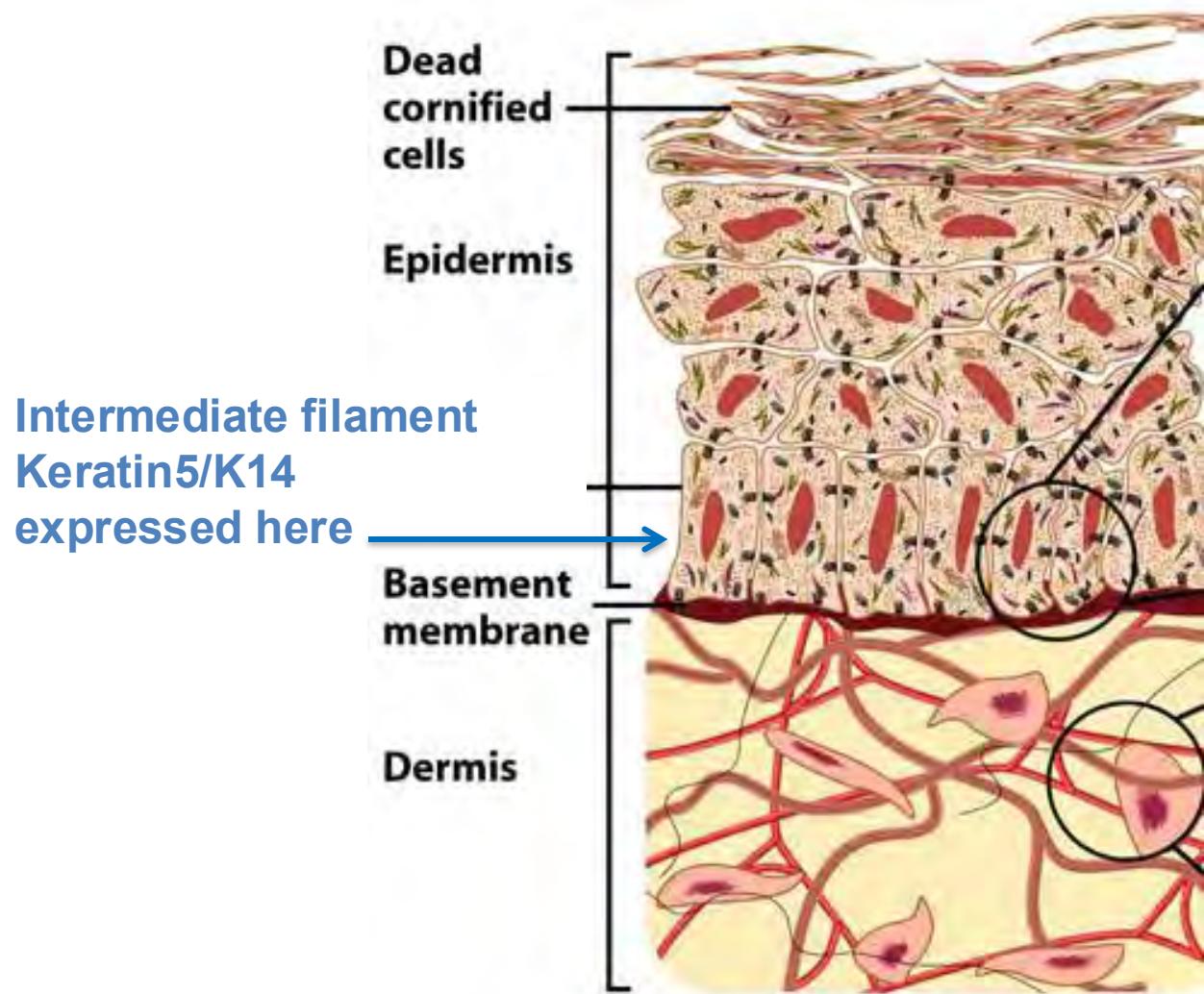
Adherens junctions use cadherins to link to ACTIN



And **focal adhesions** to the ECM use **integrins** associated with **actin** (not shown)

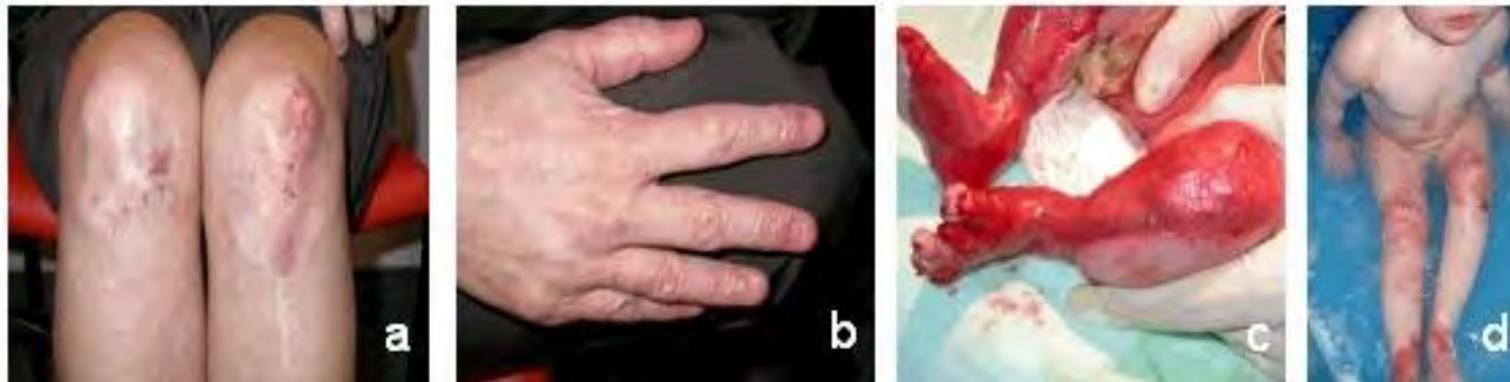
Hemidesmosomes – junctions with ECM and intermediate filaments

human skin tissue



blistering disease caused by mutations in intermediate filament proteins

epidermolysis bullosa (EBS)



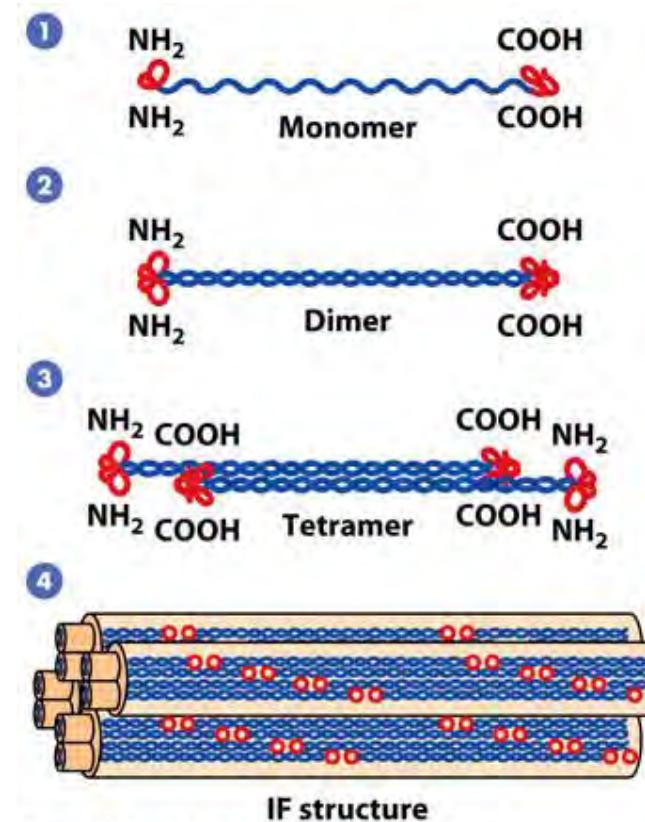
Pfendner and Lucky 2006

50 in 1 million live births – genetic autosomal disease –
mutations in Keratin K14 or K5 polypeptides

most occurrences of EBS are due to point mutations (usually missense) in either Keratin 5 or K14. how could missense mutations in K5 and K14 lead to this autosomal *dominantly* inherited disease?

poll 4: what is a missense mutation?

- a) one that results in a new AA codon
- b) one that results in a stop codon
- c) one that alters the reading frame
- d) one that prevents the transcript from being made



What's autosomal dominant?

most occurrences of EBS are due to point mutations (usually missense) in either Keratin 5 or K14. how could missense mutations in K5 and K14 lead to this autosomal *dominantly* inherited disease?

- what about IF assembly helps you understand what might occur in these cells?

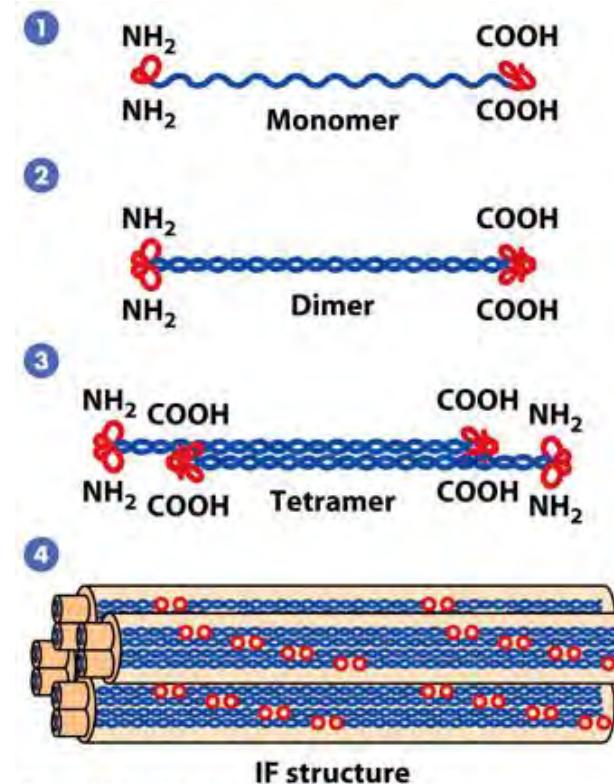
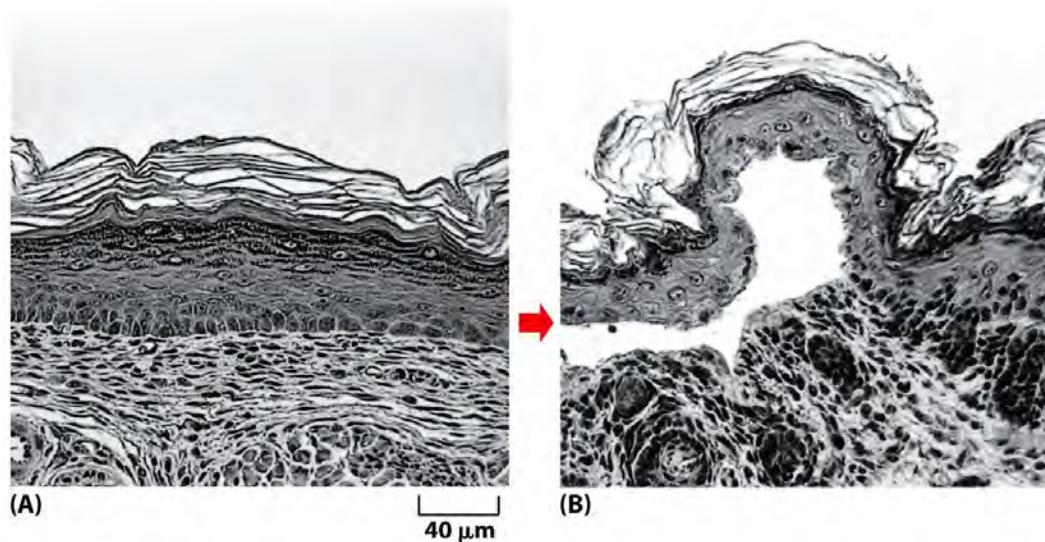


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(are the cells breaking away from basement membrane or being broken?)

blistering disease can also be an autoimmune disease – antibodies block protein function (bullous pemphigoid)

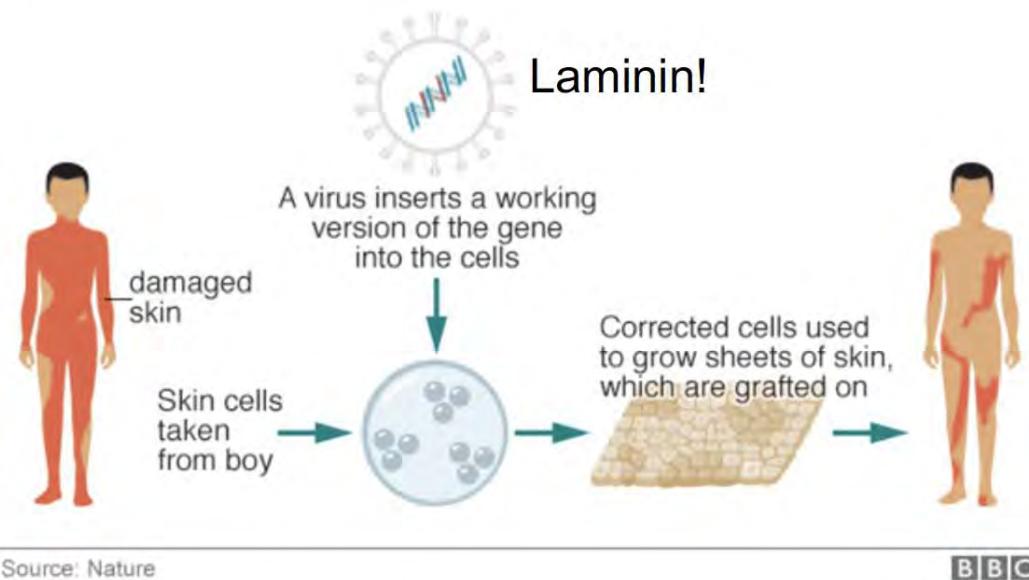
poll 5: What's the most likely antigen for this kind of disease?

- A. keratin
- B. vimentin
- C. occludins
- D. integrins
- E. connexins

there are several classes of *auto-immune diseases* that develop later in life and cause similar severe blistering

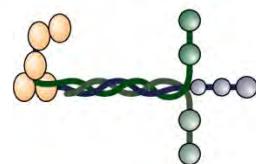
Interesting case in the news ... “butterfly child”

- <https://www.bbc.com/news/health-41914101>



Where did
we see
Laminin?

Laminin



Article | Published: 08 November 2017

Regeneration of the entire human epidermis using transgenic stem cells

Tobias Hirsch, et al... & Michele De Luca

Nature volume 551, pages 327–332 (16 November 2017)

Primary paper: <https://www.nature.com/articles/nature24487>

Exploring cell junctions- case study: extravasation

Neutrophil-
Type of white
blood cell
(leukocyte)

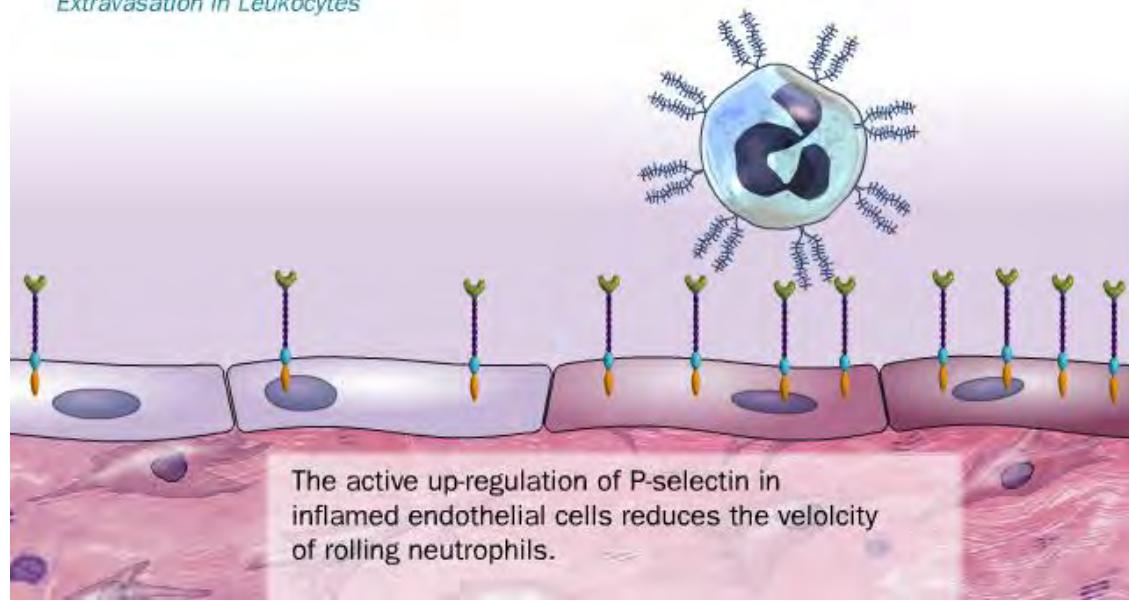
Extravasation

Rolling Neutrophil

Integrin Activation

Transendothelial Migration

Extravasation in Leukocytes



Endothelium-
Type of
epithelium
- lining inside

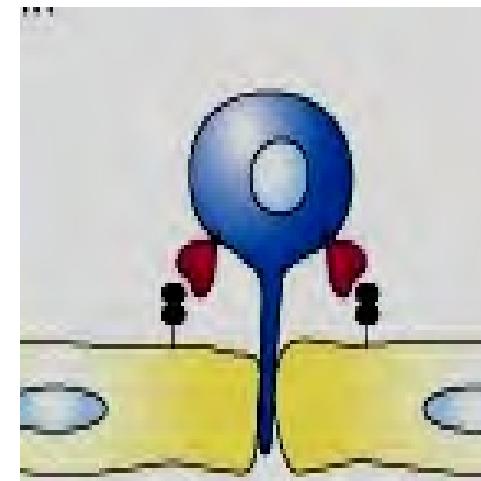
a topic for discussion

a leukocyte responding to an invader
must escape from the bloodstream

the leukocyte moves between the **endothelial** cells of the blood vessel =extravasation (post capillary venules)

poll 6: what kinds of junctions would you expect those **epithelial** cells to have?

- a)adherens junctions
- b)gap junctions
- c)tight junctions
- d)hemidesmosomes
- e)all of the above

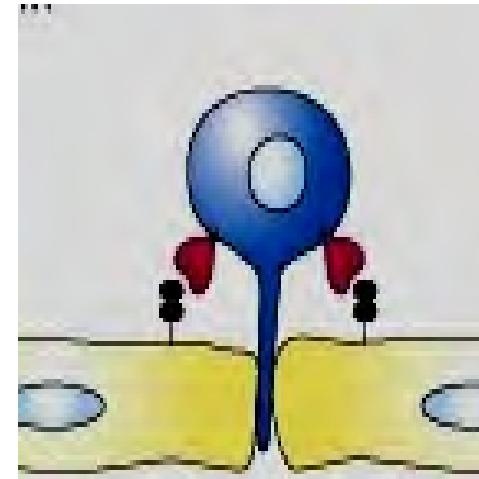


a leukocyte responding to an invader
must escape from the bloodstream

poll question:

which of the following
junctions is the major barrier
to the leukocyte?

- a) gap junctions
- b) tight junctions
- c) desmosomes
- d) hemidesmosomes
- e) all of the above

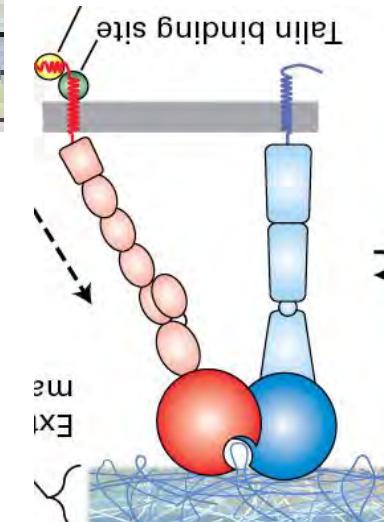
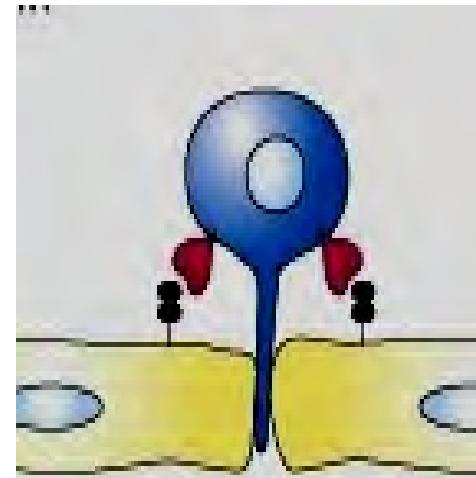


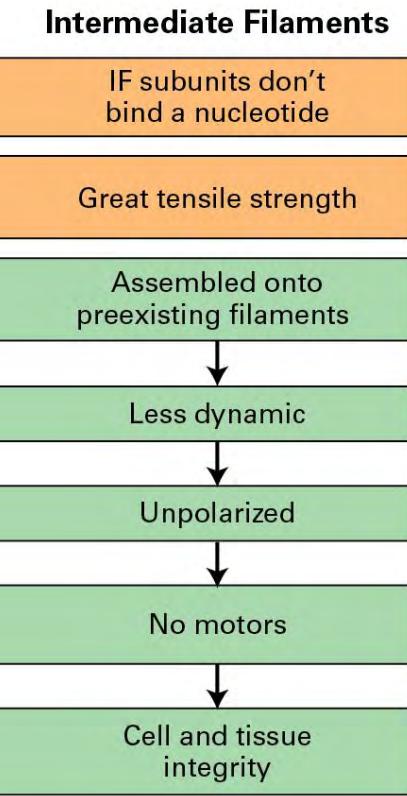
a leukocyte activates integrins to escape from the bloodstream

poll question :

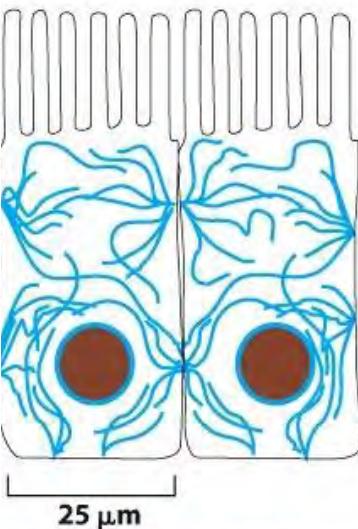
which of the following junctions
also contain integrins?

- a) adherens junctions
- b) gap junctions
- c) desmosomes
- d) hemidesmosomes
- e) two of the above





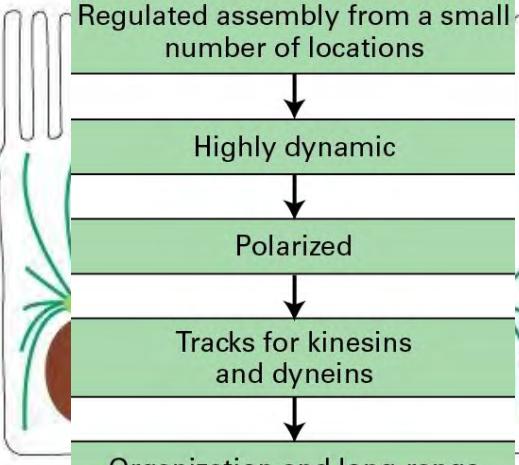
three types of skeletal filaments...



Part (b) Courtesy of Keith Burridge. Part (c) Courtesy of William J. Brown, Cornell University. Part (d) Courtesy of Elaine Fuchs.

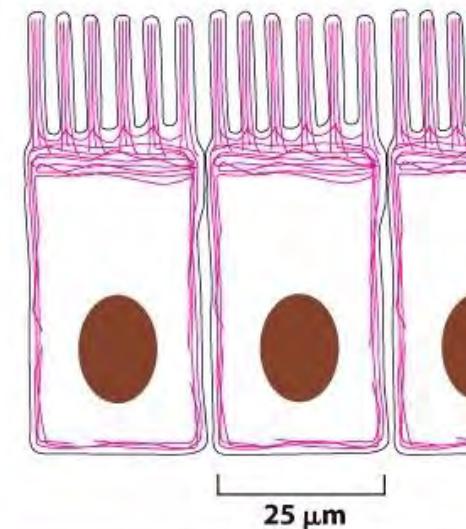
Microtubules

- $\alpha\beta$ -Tubulin binds GTP
- Rigid and not easily bent
- Regulated assembly from a small number of locations
- Highly dynamic
- Polarized
- Tracks for kinesins and dyneins
- Organization and long-range transport of organelles

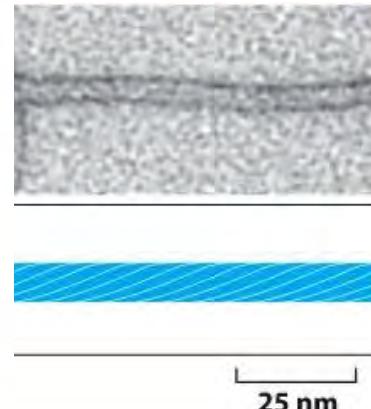
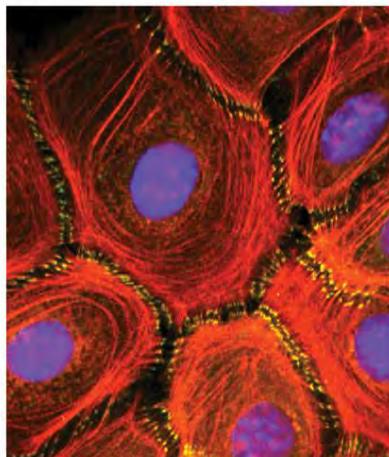


(a) Microfilaments

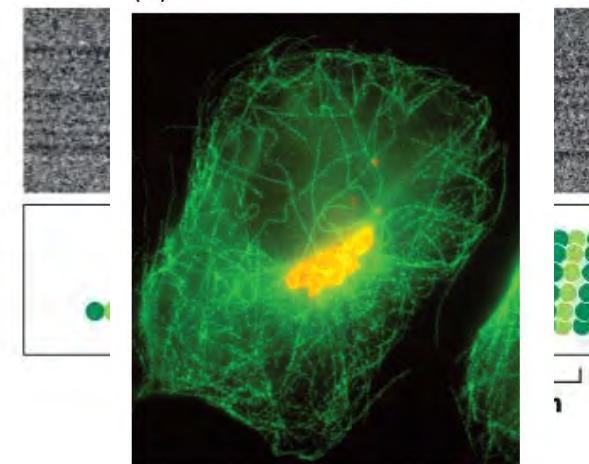
- Actin binds ATP
- Form rigid gels, networks, and linear bundles
- Regulated assembly from a large number of locations
- Highly dynamic
- Polarized
- Tracks for myosins
- Contractile machinery and network at the cell cortex



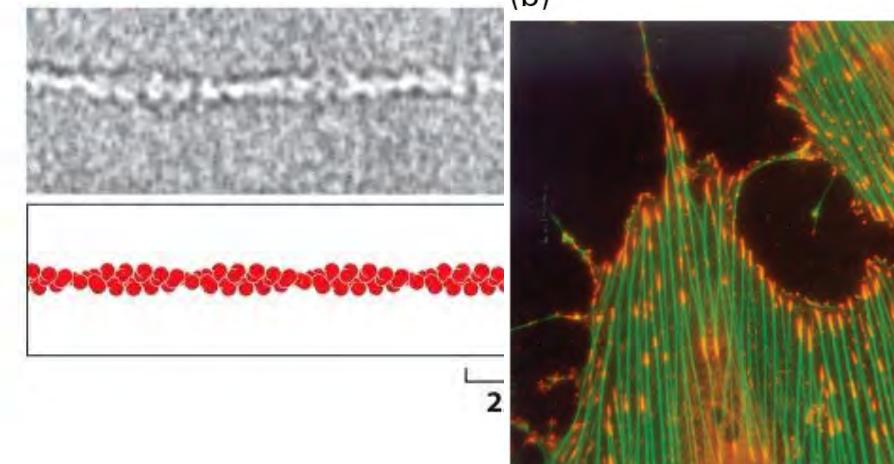
(d)

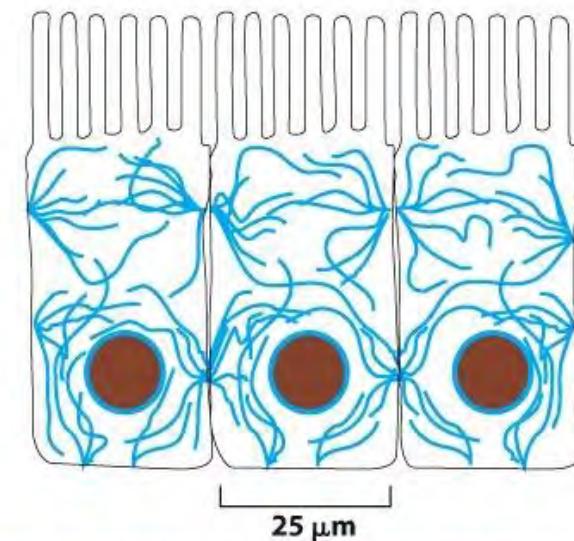
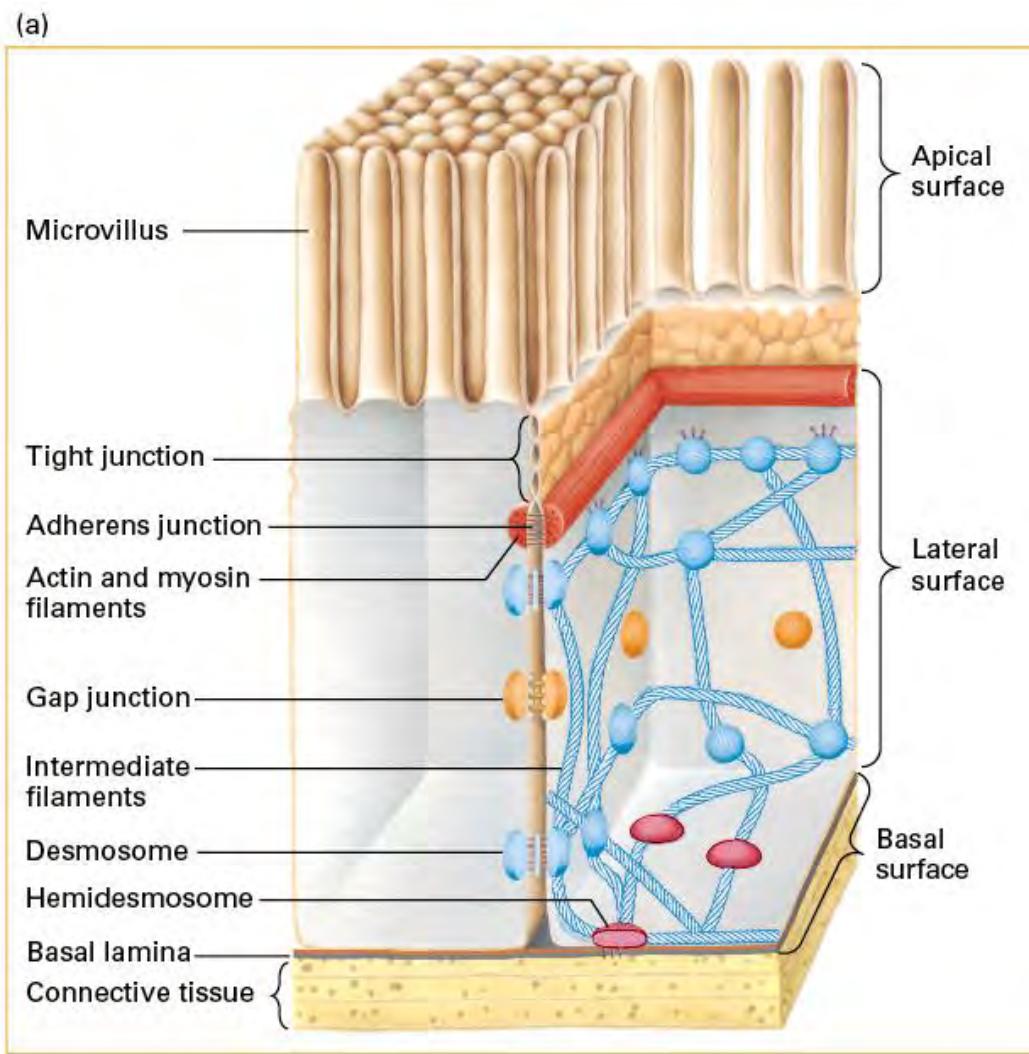


(c)



(b)





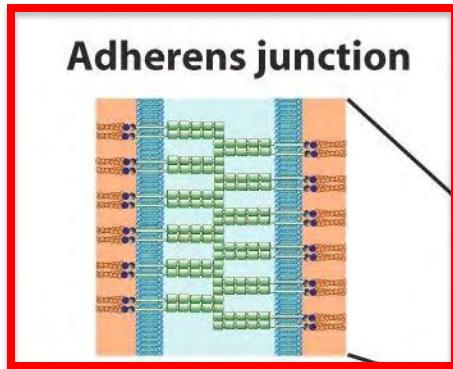
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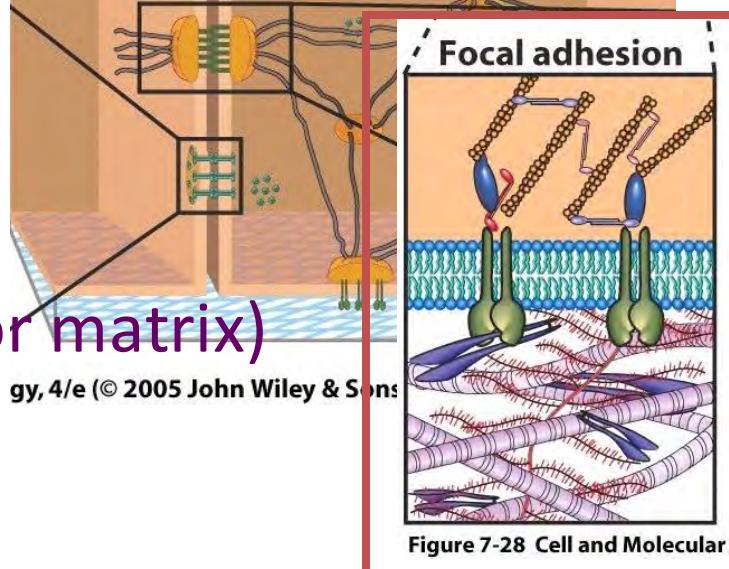
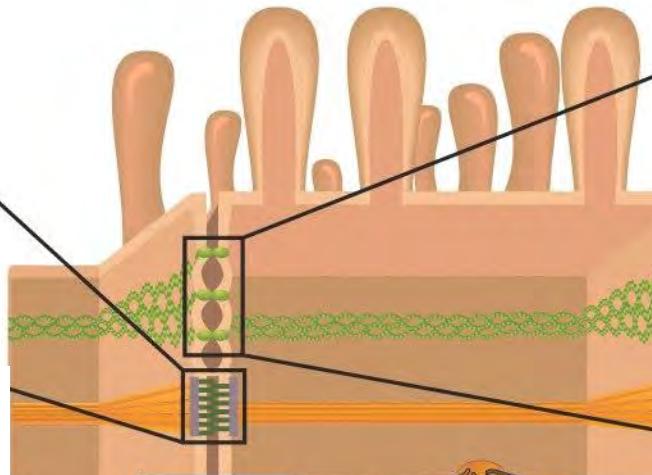
25 nm

major types of cell junctions - two connect to the **actin** cytoskeleton

Adherens junctions use
cadherins to
link to ACTIN

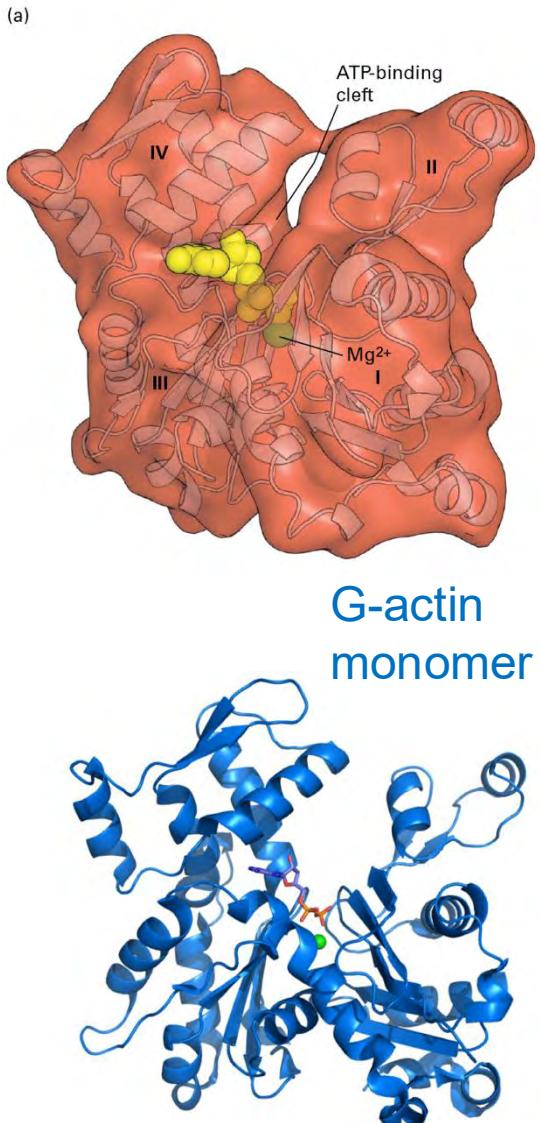


Cell-Substrate (or matrix)



focal adhesions to
the ECM (or on a petri
dish) use **integrins**
associated with **actin**

microfilaments = actin filaments = F-actin



(b)

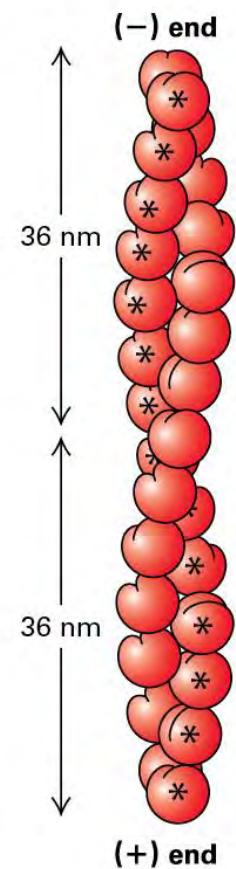
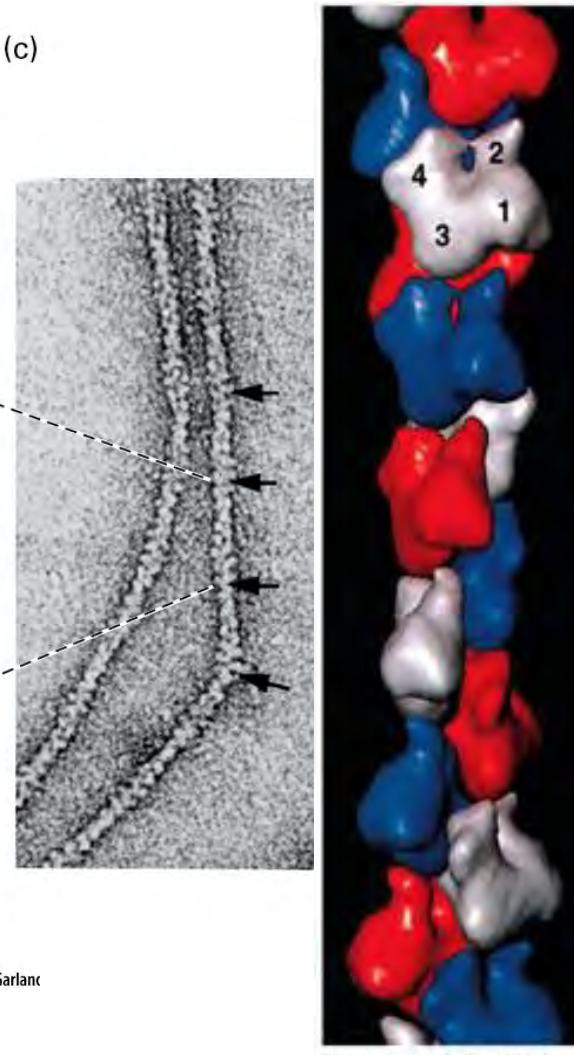


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(c)



polarized polymers of actin protein monomers (G-actin) = ___ nm in diameter

required for

cell motility/dynamics (fill cell protrusions)

AND transport

AND structural (think: junctions)

assembly requires **ATP** – hydrolyzed within polymer (ADP bound)

can form strands, bundles, branches dependent on context and associated proteins

microtubules

- polarized +/-, hollow tube nm diameter
- made up of α and β subunits (heterodimers) that can be added and released (13 protofilaments)
- stabilized by associated proteins

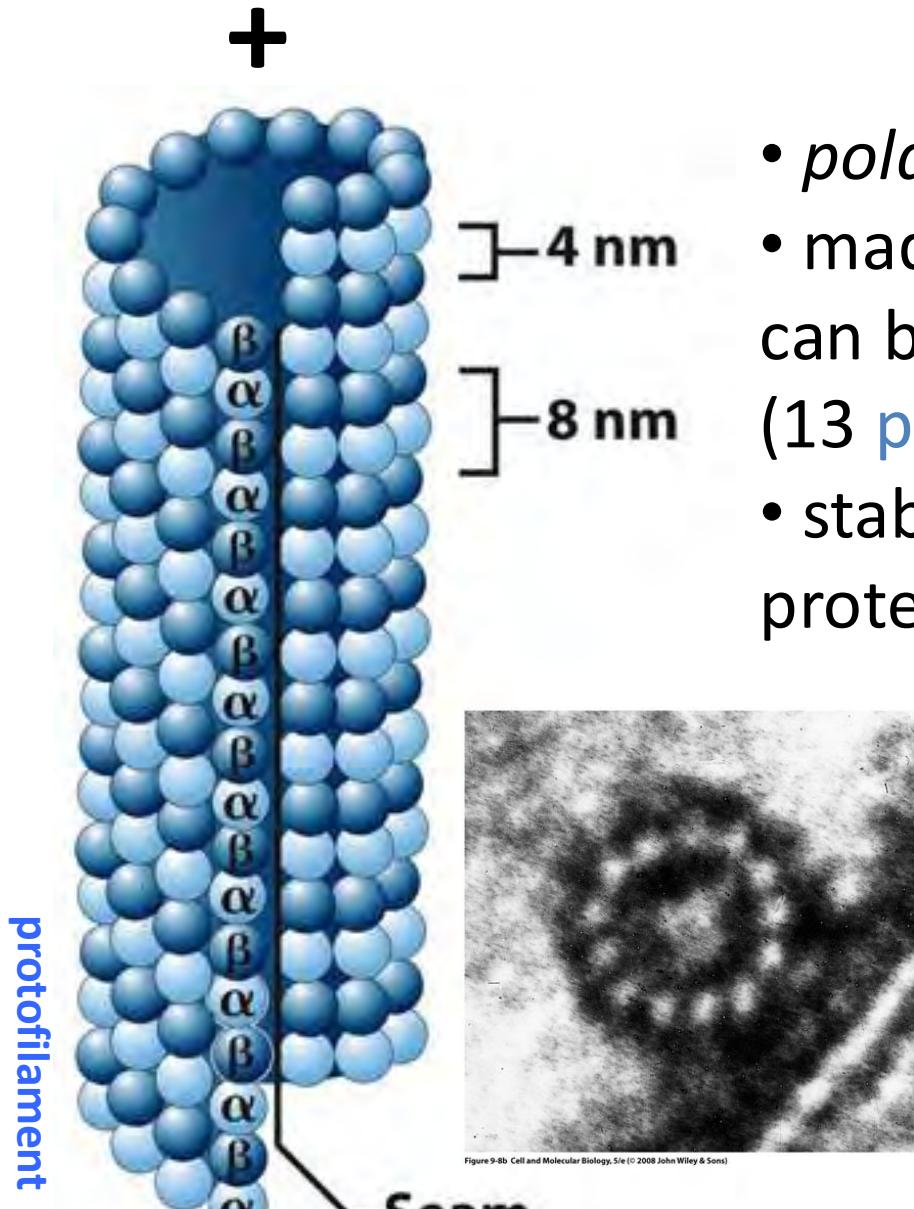
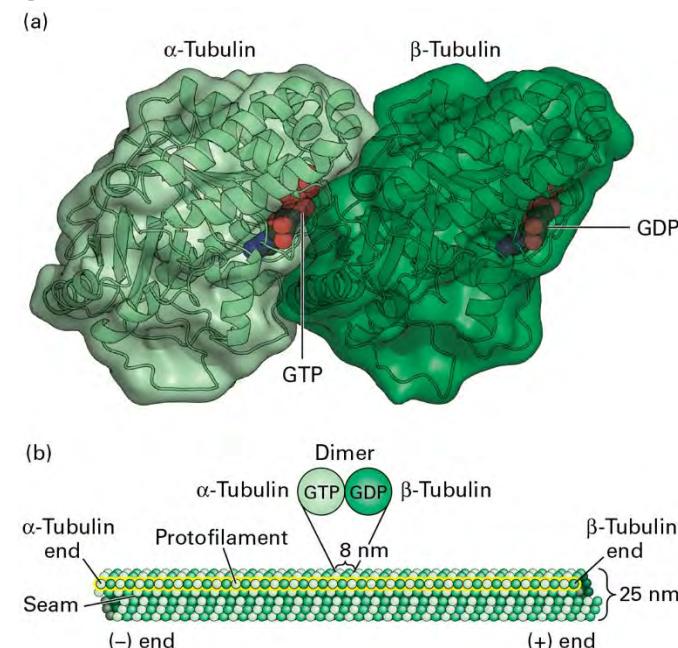


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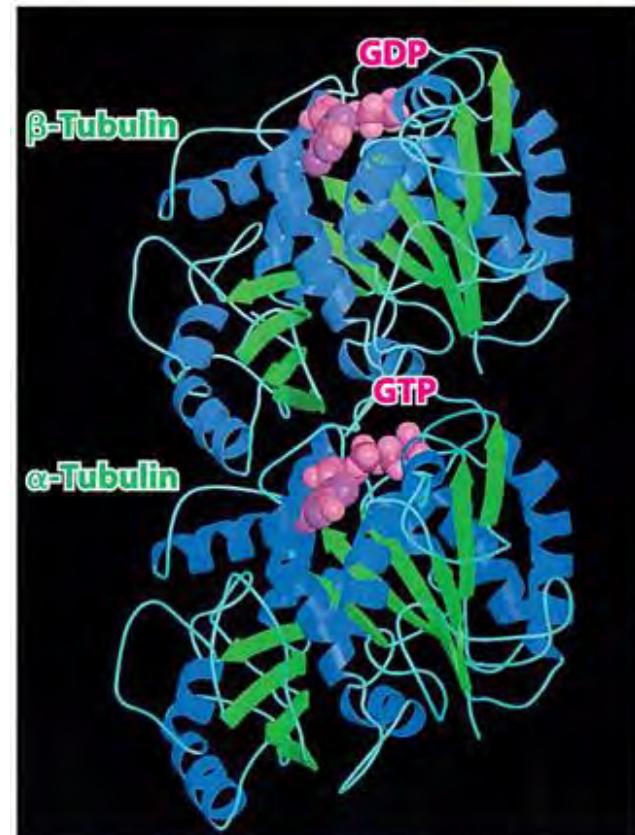
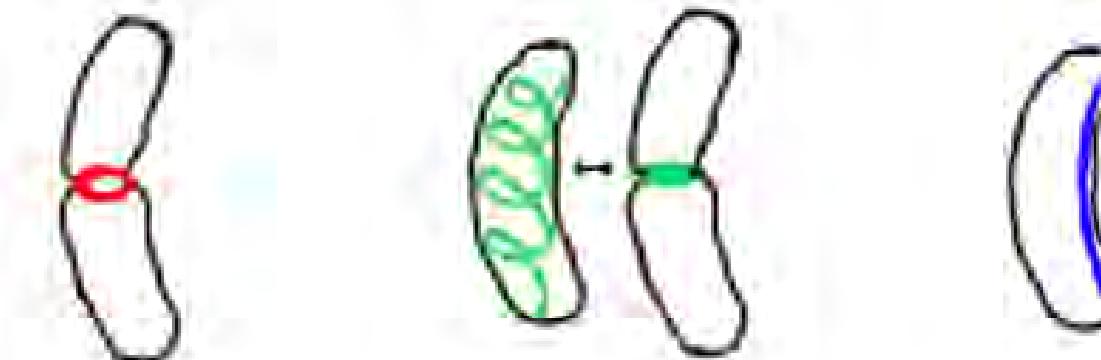


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prokaryotes have cytoskeletal filaments too!

	Division	Polarity	Shape
Eukaryotes	Tubulin	Actin	Intermediate filaments
Prokaryotes	FtsZ	MreB	CreS

Caulobacter localization



polymerizes,
uses GTP, strong
3D structural
similarity

polymerizes, strong 3D
structural similarity

strong primary AND 3D
structural similarities
(nuclear lamin and cytokeratin)

Based on - Gitai, Z. (2005). "The New Bacterial Cell Biology: Moving Parts and Subcellular Architecture". Cell 120 (5): 577-586.

Next time- making cytoskeleton move

human skin tissue epithelia

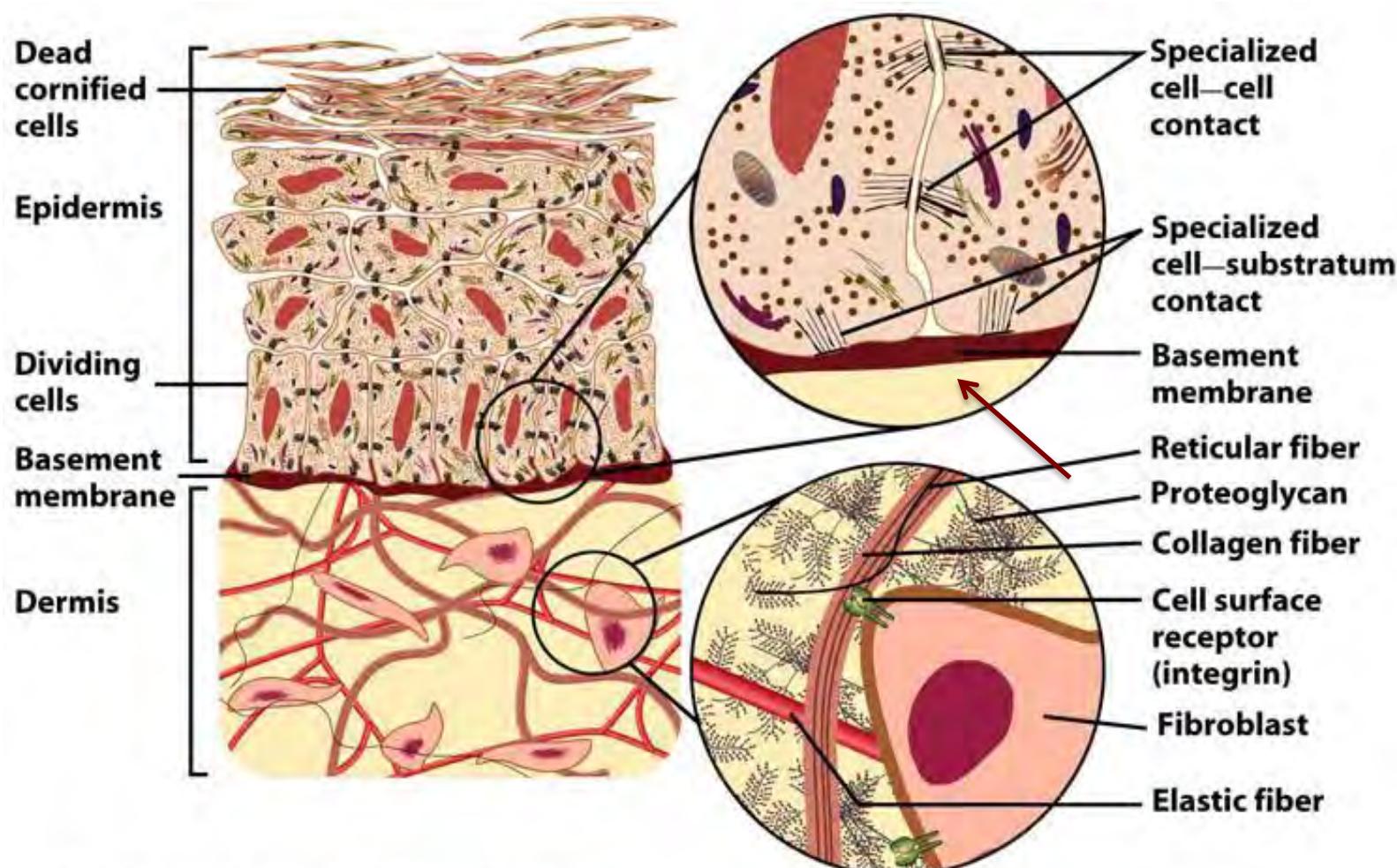
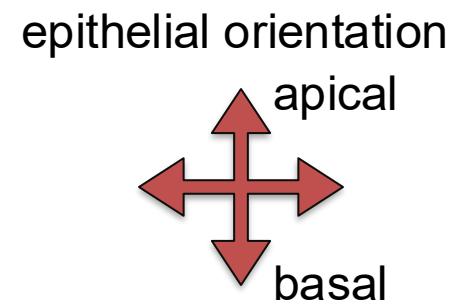


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the dermis is also largely
extracellular matrix