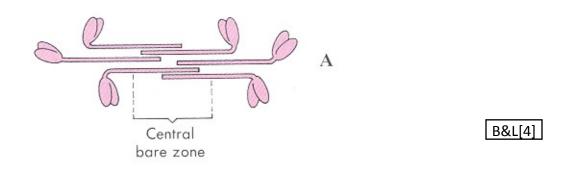
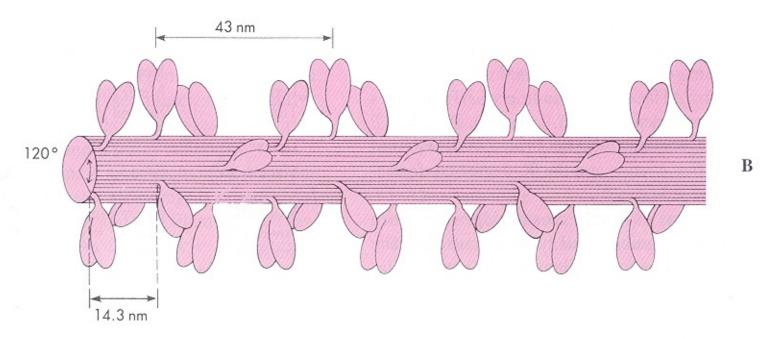


Figure 6-1 Organization of skeletal muscle, from the gross to the molecular level. F, G, H, and I are cross sections at the levels indicated. (Drawing by Sylvia Colard Keene. Modified from Fawcett DW: Bloom and Fawcett: A Textbook of Histology. Philadelphia: WB Saunders, 1986.)

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■ Fig. 17-6 Proposed structure of the thick filament. A, Initiation of filament. Filament formation begins with an end-to-end association of the tails of myosin molecules. B, Segment of filament. "Crowns" of three cross-bridges project at intervals of 14.3 nm along the thick filament, and successive crowns are rotated. The result is a thick filament with rows of cross-bridges projecting toward the surrounding lattice of thin filaments. The core titin molecule is not illustrated. (Redrawn from Murray JM, Weber A: Sci Am 230:58, 1974.)

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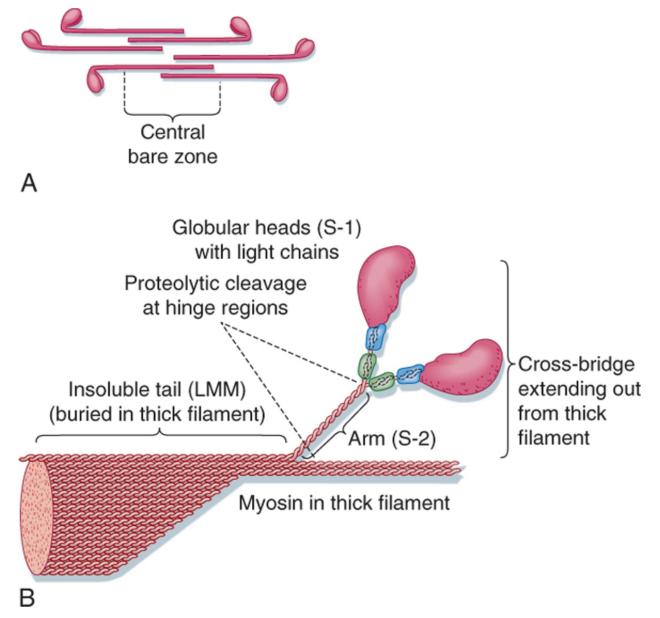
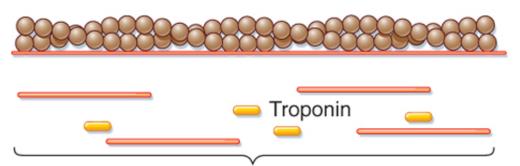


Figure 12-6 Organization of a thick filament. A thick filament is formed by the polymerization of myosin molecules in a tail-to-tail configuration extending from the center of the sarcomere (A). An individual myosin molecule has a tail region and a cross-bridge region. The cross-bridge region is composed of an arm and globular heads (B). The globular heads contain light chains that are important for the function of myosin ATPase activity.



Monomeric or globular actin



Filamentous actin

Nebulin

Tropomyosin

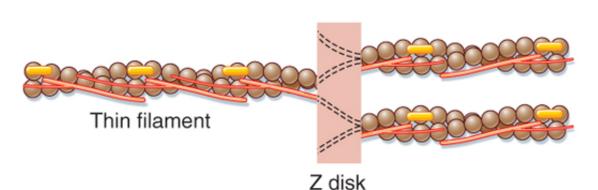
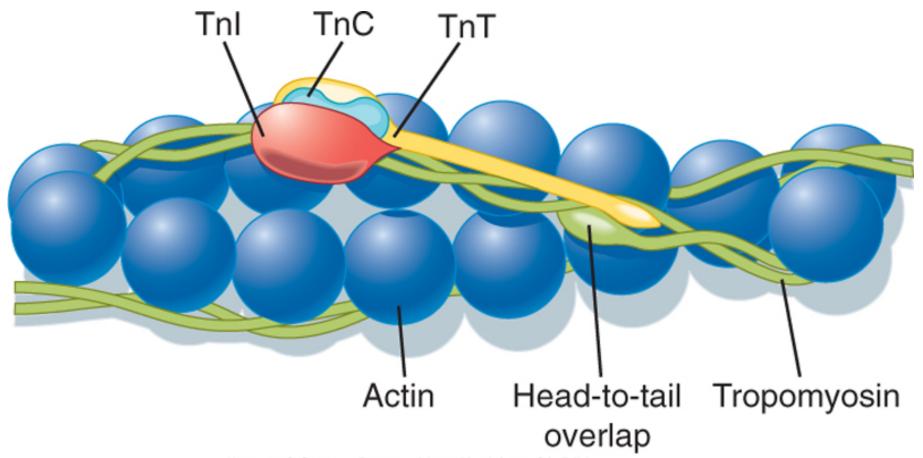


Figure 12-5 Organization of a thin filament. Polymerization of monomeric actin into filamentous actin forms the backbone of the thin filament. The filament contains several other structural/regulatory proteins such as nebulin, tropomyosin, and troponin.

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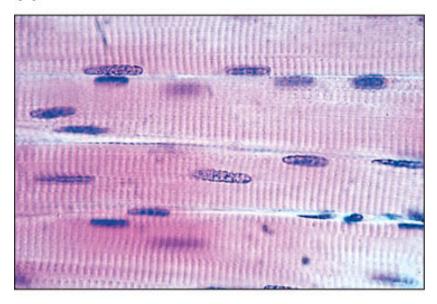
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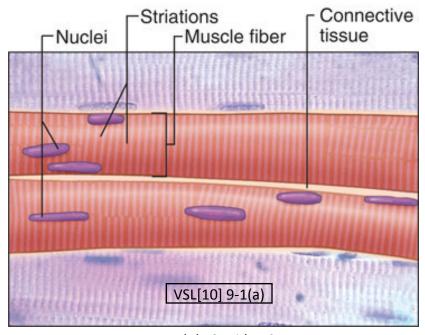


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Figure 12-12 Organization of the thin filament showing a double-helical array of tropomyosin on the actin filament, with sequential tropomyosin molecules arranged in a head-to-tail configuration. Such a configuration may promote the interaction of one tropomyosin unit with an adjacent tropomyosin. Also shown is the troponin complex consisting of its three subunits: troponin C (TnC), troponin I (TnI), and troponin T (TnT). See text for details. (From Gordon AM et al: Physiol Rev 80:853, 2000.)

(a) Skeletal muscle





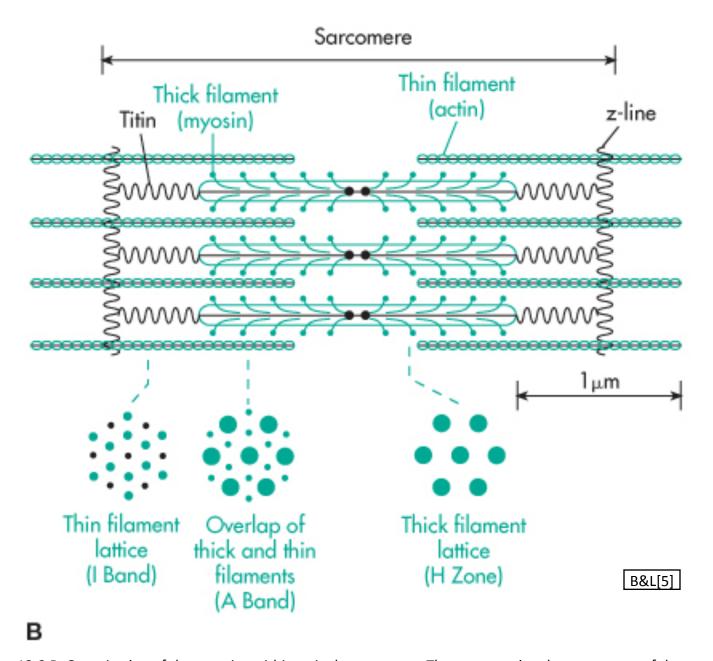


Figure 12-2 B, Organization of the proteins within a single sarcomere. The cross-sectional arrangement of the proteins is also illustrated

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