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PREFACE

Introduction

The twelfth edition of *Body Structures & Functions* has been revised to reflect the many changes that are occurring in today's health science and medical fields. The multiskilled health practitioner (MSHP) of today must know the structure and function of each body system as well as the common diseases. All diseases and disorders content is integrated within each chapter as appropriate.

This book and the accompanying teaching materials are designed to facilitate learning. Review the introductory sections, including "How to Study Using *Body Structures and Functions*."

Major Changes to the Twelfth Edition

- Phonetic pronunciations of key words are included in each chapter.
- The new feature One Body outlines how each body system interacts with other body systems.
- The new feature **Study Tools** directs learners to additional resources to enhance learning and assess mastery of the material.
- Chapter 1: Introduction to the Structural Units—includes new information on abdominal quadrants and expanded information on homeostasis.
- Chapter 2: Chemistry of Living Things—provides expanded information on chemical bonds and a new table on essential and nonessential amino acids.
- Chapter 3: Cells—provides an expanded discussion on protoplasm.
- Chapter 5: Integumentary System—has a new table on skin color changes and disease conditions.
- Chapter 6: Skeletal System—provides an expanded discussion on bones of the pelvic girdle.
- Chapter 7: Muscular System—expands on the discussion of muscular disorders, including dystonia, heel spurs, and plantar fasciitis.
- Chapter 8: Central Nervous System—provides an expanded discussion on brain injuries.
- Chapter 9: Peripheral and Autonomic Nervous System—includes a new lab activity on cranial nerves.

- Chapter 10: Special Senses—adds new material on taste: umami.
- Chapter 11: Endocrine System—expands the discussion on classification of hormones.
- Chapter 13: Heart—presents new guidelines for cardiopulmonary resuscitation.
- Chapter 15: The Lymphatic and Immune Systems—updates the schedule for immunizations for children 0 to 18 years old, and provides new immunization schedules for adults by age group and medical condition. The normal defense mechanisms section has been moved from Chapter 16 to this chapter.
- Chapter 16: Infection Control and Standard Precautions—expands the discussion on the superbugs MRSA and C. diff. The normal defense mechanisms section has been moved from this chapter to Chapter 15.
- Chapter 18: Digestive System—provides an expanded discussion on the liver and pancreas.
- Chapter 19: Nutrition—includes updated and revised content from the United States Department of Agriculture dietary recommendations, in which the Food Pyramid has been replaced by MyPlate.
- Chapter 20: Urinary System—provides new material on the urethra and urination.
- Chapter 21: Reproductive System—presents an expanded discussion on external female genitalia and the structure of breasts. Also includes a new table on the function of testosterone and an added career profile on medical assistants.

Phonetic Pronunciations of Key Words

Phonetic pronunciations of key words are included in each chapter in parentheses following the key word. Pronounce the word by saying each syllable, placing more emphasis on the syllable in boldface capital letters. In the example below, the syllable *NAT* would receive more emphasis than the rest of the syllables.

anatomy (ah-NAT-oh-mee)

Most key word pronunciations will contain only one syllable in boldface however there are some key words that contain more than one. When a pronunciation contains more than one syllable in boldface, place *some* emphasis on the syllable in boldface *lowercase* letters and the *most* emphasis on the syllable in boldface *capital* letters. In the example below, the syllable *em* would receive some emphasis and the syllable *OL* would receive the most emphasis.

embryology (em-bree-OL-oh-jee)

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To my grandchildren and future students: Have a love for learning since it will bring much knowledge and rewards as you journey through life.

To the health care professionals of tomorrow: Your knowledge will be an asset in the art of caring for the people entrusted to your care.

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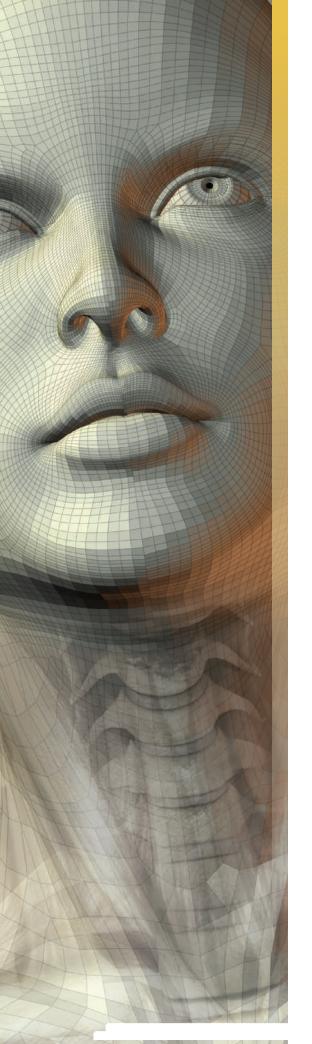
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How to Study Using **BODY STRUCTURES** & FUNCTIONS

Preview the text before attempting to study the material covered in the individual chapters. By reviewing each section of this textbook, you will better understand its organization and purpose. Reading comprehension and long-term memory levels improve dramatically when you take the time to review the text and learn how it can help you learn.

To get the most from this course, take an active role in your learning by integrating your senses to increase your retention. You may want to:

- *Visually* highlight important material.
- *Read* critically—turn headings, subheadings, and sentences into questions.
- *Recite* important material aloud to stimulate your auditory memory.
- Draw your own illustrations of anatomy or function processes and check them for accuracy.
- Answer (in writing or verbally) the review questions at the end of the chapter.

Each time you encounter a new chapter, preview it first to understand its overall structure. Review the **Objectives** presented at the beginning of each chapter to easily identify the key facts *before* you read the chapter. These objectives are also useful to review *after* you have completed a chapter. After reading a chapter, test yourself to see whether you can answer each objective. If you cannot, you will know exactly which areas to study again. The **Key Words** are listed at the beginning of each chapter, are highlighted in **red** (at first usage) within the chapter, and are also defined in the glossary.

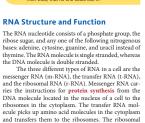


Read the main headings, subheadings, and first sentence of each paragraph-these elements serve as the outline for the whole chapter. Be careful not to overlook the illustrations, photographs, and tables, which can help you comprehend difficult material.

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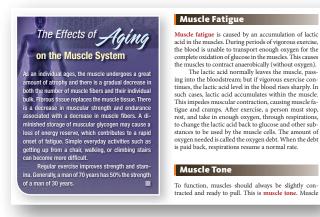
Did You Know? If you stretched out the strands of the DNA from a single cell end to end, it would measure six feet loo but would be so incredibly thin, 50 trilionths of an Nucleic Acids Nucleic acids (new-KLEE-ik) are important organic reacter actus (new KLE-ix) are important organic compounds containing the elements carbon, oxygen, hydrogen, nitrogen, and phosphorus. The two major types of nucleic acids are deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) and ribonucleic acid (RNA). Structure of Nucleic Acids

Structure of Nucleic Actus Nucleic acids are the largest known organic molecules. They are made from thousands of smaller, repeating subanits called *nucleotide*. A nucleotide is a com-plex molecule composed of three different molecular groups. Figure 2-4 shows a typical nucleotide. Group 1 is a phosphate or phosphoric acid group, H,PO_c group 2 represents a five-carbon sugar. Depending on the nu-cleotide, the sugar could be either a ribose or a deoxyri-bose sugar. Group 3 represents a nitrogenous base. The non groups of nitropenous bases are the nurines and two groups of nitrogenous bases are the purines and the pyrimidines. The purines are either adenine (A) or guanine (G); the pyrimidines are cytosine (C) and thymine (T).



and transfers them to the ribosomes. The ribosomal RNA helps in the attachment of the m-RNA to the ribosome. Protein synthesis is the process by which amino

Effects of Aging boxes are integrated within the chapters to highlight the changes that are associated with the body systems as we age.



Case Studies promote a real-world view of medical careers and encourage critical thinking.

Case Study

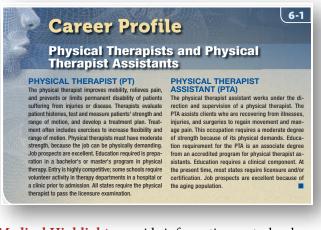
Jane Fitz, an LPN, admits Mrs. Smith, age 54, to Mercy Hospital. Mrs. Smith has had a persistent cough for 3 months and has lost 10 pounds during the past 6 weeks. Mrs. Smith has been a cigarette smoker for the past 30 years. The physician orders a CT scan to determine if she has cancer of the lung.

- 1. Describe for Mrs. Smith the CT scan procedure. 2. Name the body system involved in lung cancer and
- 3. Define cancer and the TNM and Roman Numeral classification system that will be used to describe
- describe the function of the system. The CT scan reveals a tumor of the lung and a biopsy (removal of tissue for examination) is scheduled.
- the tumor.
- 4. What actions can Jane Fitz take to reduce Mrs. Smith's anxiety?

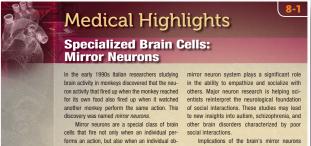
Medical Terminology Review introduces you to common medical prefixes and suffixes and how they work to form medical terms.

chromo	colored	mei	lessening or reduction
-some	body	-o/sis	condition of
chromo/some	colored body in the cell contains the DNA	mei/osis	condition of lessening of chromosomes
cyto	cell	meta	beyond or after
-skeleton	framework	-stasis	controlling or stopping
cyto/skeleton	framework of the cell	meta/stasis	beyond control
hyper	excessive	neo	new
-tonic	strength, concentration	-plasm	growth
hyper/tonic	excessive concentration	neo/plasm	new growth
hypo	below normal	phag/o/	eat
hypo/tonic	below normal concentration	-cytosis	process of
iso	same as	phagocytosis	process of cell eating

Career Profiles provide descriptions of many health professions in today's dynamic health and medical environment. These profiles describe the role of each professional, and may even provide you with insight into possible future career paths.



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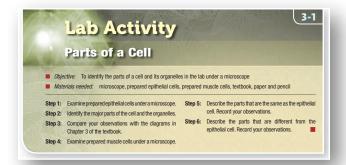
serves someone else performing the same action.

and emotions behind those actions. The brain's

system include learning more about speech and Mirror neurons appear to lead us to simulate not just another person's actions, but the intention treating patients who have had strokes. **Review Questions** will help you measure whether you have mastered the material that you have covered. Questions in a variety of formats are presented to reinforce important information within each chapter. Also integrated here and in the workbook are applied academic activities for math, spelling, communication, and legalethical issues.

Review Questions	
Select the letter of the choice that best completes the state	ement.
 A substance that has weight and occupies space is called: a. kinetic energy b. catalyst c. matter d. potential energy Walking is an example of: a. catalyst b. kinetic energy c. matter d. potential energy Water is classified as a(n): a. etom b. element c. mineral d. compound 	 Atoms of a specific element that have the same number of protons but a different number of neutrons are called: a. isotopes b. DNA c. RNA d. compounds Sugar stored in the liver and muscle cells for energy is called: a. glucose b. glycogen c. fructose d. ribose

Lab Activities incorporate an element of interactivity to the content, further enhancing comprehension.



NEW Phonetic Pronunciations of Key Words

Phonetic pronunciations of key words in each chapter are in parentheses following the key word. Pronounce the word by saying each syllable, placing more emphasis on the syllable in boldface capital letters.

organs before sexual reproduction can take place. The female gonads, called the ovaries, produce egg cells (ova). The male gonads, the testes, produce sperm. Normal cell division is known as mitosis. In the formation of the germ cells, a special process of cell division occurs called meiosis. In the female, the specific meiotic process is called oogenesis (oh-oh JEN-ch-sis); in the male, spermatogenesis (oper-mah-toh-JEN-ch-sis).

process is called **orgenesis** (on-on-JEN-en-sis); in the male, spermatogenesis (sper-mah-toh-JEN-ch-sis). In humans, the somatic (body) cells, including skin, fat, muscle, nerve, and bone cells, contain 46 chromosomes in the nucleus. Forty-four of these are autosomes (nonsex chromosomes). The remaining two are sex chromosomes. Each chromosome has a partner of the same size and shape so that they can be paired, Figure 21-1. In the female, the somatic cells contain fore degenerating. Approximately 100 million spermatozoa are contained in 1 mL of ejaculated seminal fluid. They are fairly uniform in shape and size. If the count is less than 20 million per milliliter, the male is considered to be sterile. These millions of sperm cells swim toward the ovum that has been released from the ovary. The large quantity of sperm is necessary because a great number are destroyed before they even approach the ovum. Many die from the acidity of the secretions in the male urethra or the vagina. Some cannot withstand the high temperature of the female abdomen, while others lack the propulsion ability to progress from the vagina to the upper uterine (fallopian) tube.

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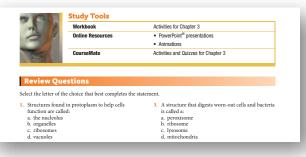
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Any of the following symptoms may be an early indication of cancer: changes in bowel or bladder habits, sores that do not heal, obvious changes in a mole or wart, unusual bleeding or discharge, a new lump or thickening in the breast or elsewhere, difficulty in wallowing or frequent indigestion, a persistent cough, or hoarseness. Diaemostic tests can detect the early stages of can-

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PROLOGUE

The History of Anatomical Science and Scientists

Much of the early study of gross anatomy and physiology comes from Aristotle, a Greek philosopher. Aristotle believed that every organ had a specific function and that function is based on the organ's structure. Most of Aristotle's ideas were based on the dissection of plants and animals. He never dissected a human body.

In the third century bc, Herophilus founded the first school of anatomy and encouraged the dissection of the human body. He is credited with demonstrating that the brain is the center of the nervous system. It was a Greek physician, Galen, however, who is credited with the creation of the first standard medical text expanding on Aristotle's ideas. Galen was the first to discover many muscles and the first to find the value in monitoring an individual's pulse. Galen never performed human dissections and many of his theories were later proven wrong.

The first medical schools were founded in the Middle Ages; however, instructors at this time were hesitant to question the theories and beliefs founded by the early Greeks such as Aristotle and Galen. As a result, very few ideas or discoveries were made in the medical field in the Middle Ages.

During the Renaissance, however, interest in anatomy was renewed due in part to the work of artist Leonardo da Vinci who studied the form and function of the human body. It was during this period in history that the first systematic study of the structure of the human body was made. Many of these early scientists were hindered in their pursuit of knowledge of the human body because it was believed by many that human dissections were immoral and illegal. For example, Andreas Vesalius, a founder of modern anatomy, was sentenced to death because of his anatomical dissections of humans.

In the seventeenth century, the invention of the microscope aided in new anatomical discoveries and research. Scientists could now see structures that were invisible to the naked eye. Robert Hooke's investigation of cork under the microscope was the foundation of the theory that the cell is the basic unit of life. This theory was later proved and expanded on by other scientists in the eighteenth century as technological advances continued to improve.

Advances in technology have continued into today and new anatomical and physiological discoveries are still being made. With the mapping of the human genome, completed in 2003, the complete genetic code has been documented. It is hoped that this knowledge will enable discoveries into disease processes and the development of cures for many of the diseases that continue to plague our society.

The use of new types of medical imaging, such as computerized scanning and digitalized photography,

has helped researchers make new discoveries about the body.

Use key words to search the Internet for new discoveries related to a particular body system and the scientists who made those discoveries.

Chapter 1

INTRODUCTION TO THE STRUCTURAL UNITS

Objectives

Identify and discuss the different branches of anatomy

- Identify terms referring to location, direction, planes, and sections of the body
- Identify the body cavities and the organs they contain
- Identify and discuss body processes
- Identify the units of measure used in health care
- Define the key words that relate to this chapter

Key Words

abdominal cavity abdominopelvic cavity anabolism anatomical position anatomy anterior biology buccal cavity catabolism caudal cell cephalic coronal (frontal) plane cranial cavity cytology deep dermatology disease

distal dorsal dorsal cavity embryology endocrinology epigastric external histology homeostasis hypogastric inferior internal lateral medial metabolism metric system midsagittal plane nasal cavity neurology oral cavity orbital cavity

organ system organs pelvic cavity physiology planes posterior proximal quadrants sagittal plane section spinal cavity superficial superior thoracic cavity tissues transverse umbilical umbilicus ventral

Anatomy and Physiology

Anatomy and physiology are branches of a much larger science called **biology** (bye-**OL**-oh-jee). Biology is the study of all forms of life. Biology studies microscopic one-celled organisms, multi-celled organisms, plants, animals, and humans.

Anatomy (ah-NAT-oh-mee) studies the shape and structure of an organism's body and the relationship of one body part to another. The word *anatomy* comes from the Greek *ana*, meaning "apart," and *temuein*, "to cut"; thus, the acquisition of knowledge on human anatomy comes basically from dissection. However, one cannot fully appreciate and understand anatomy without the study of its sister science, **physiology** (fiz-ee-**OL**-oh-jee). Physiology studies the function of each body part and how the functions of the various body parts coordinate to form a complete living organism. Any abnormal change in a structure or function that produces symptoms is considered a **disease**.

Branches of Anatomy

Anatomy is subdivided into many branches based on the investigative techniques used, the type of knowledge desired, or the parts of the body under study.

- 1. Gross anatomy. Gross anatomy is the study of large and easily observable structures on an organism. This is done through dissection and visible inspection with the naked eye. In gross anatomy, the different body parts and regions are studied with regard to their general shape, external features, and main divisions.
- 2. Microscopic anatomy. Microscopic anatomy refers to the use of microscopes to enable one to see the minute details of organ parts. The ultrawave and electron microscopes provide greater magnification and resolution than optical microscopes. Microscopic anatomy is subdivided into two branches. One branch is cytology (sigh-TOL-oh-jee), which is the study of the structure, function, and development of cells that comprise the different body parts. The other subdivision is histology (hiss-TOL-oh-jee), which studies the tissues and organs that make up the entire body of an organism.
- 3. Developmental anatomy. Developmental anatomy studies the growth and development of an organism during its lifetime. More specifically, embryology (em-bree-OL-oh-jee) studies the formation of an organism from the fertilized egg to birth.

- 4. Comparative anatomy. Humans are one of many animals found in the animal kingdom. The different body parts and organs of humans can be studied with regard to similarities and differences with other animals in the animal kingdom.
- **5. Systematic anatomy.** Systematic anatomy is the study of the structure of various organs or parts that comprise a particular organ system. Depending on the particular organ system under study, a specific term is applied, for example:
 - a. **Dermatology** (der-mah-**TOL**-oh-jee)—study of the integumentary system (skin, hair, and nails)
 - b. **Endocrinology** (**en**-doh-krin-**OL**-oh-jee)— study of the endocrine or hormonal system
 - c. **Neurology** (**new-ROL**-oh-jee)—study of the nervous system.

Anatomical Terminology

In the study of anatomy and physiology, special words are used to describe the specific location of a structure or organ, or the relative position or direction of one body part to another. The initial reference point used is the anatomical position. In the **anatomical position**, a human being is standing erect, with face forward, arms at the side, and palms forward, Figure 1-1.

Terms Referring to Location or Position and Direction

See Figures 1-1 and 1-2.

- Anterior or ventral means "front" or "in front of." For example, the knees are located on the anterior surface of the human body. A ventral hernia may protrude from the front or belly of the abdomen.
- Posterior or dorsal means "back" or "in back of." For example, human shoulder blades are found on the posterior surface of the body. The dorsal aspect of the foot is the top of the foot.
- Cephalic (seh-FAL-ick) and caudal (KAWD-al) refer to direction: Cephalic means "skull" or "head end" of the body; caudal means "tail end." For example, a blow to the skull may increase cranial pressure and cause headaches. Caudal anesthesia is injected in the lower spine.
- Superior means "upper" or "above another" and inferior refers to "lower" or "below another." For

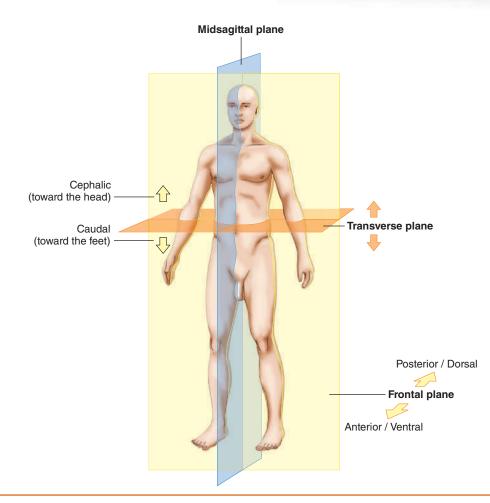


Figure 1-1 Body directions: Cephalic refers to the skull or head end of the body, and caudal refers to the tail end. Anterior (or ventral) means "front" or "in front of." Posterior (or dorsal) means "back" or "in back of."

example, the heart and lungs are situated superior to the diaphragm, while the intestines are inferior to it.

- Medial signifies "toward the midline or median plane of the body," while lateral means "away" or "toward the side of the body." For example, the nose is medial to the eyes and the ears are lateral to the nose.
- Proximal means "toward the point of attachment to the body" or "toward the trunk of the body; distal means "away from the point of attachment or origin" or "farthest from the trunk." For example, the wrist is proximal to the hand; the elbow is distal to the shoulder. *Note:* These two words are used primarily to describe the appendages or extremities.
- Superficial or external and deep or internal superficial implies "on or near the surface of the

body." For example, a superficial wound involves an injury to the outer skin. A deep injury involves damage to an internal organ such as the stomach. The terms *external* and *internal* are specifically used to refer to body cavities and hollow organs.

Terms Referring to Body Planes and Sections

Planes are imaginary anatomical dividing lines that are useful in separating body structures, Figure 1-3. A **section** is a cut made through the body in the direction of a certain plane.

The **sagittal plane** (**SAJ**-ih-tal) divides the body into right and left parts. If the plane started in the middle of the skull and proceeded down, bisecting the sternum and the vertebral column, the body would be divided equally into right and left halves. This would be known as the **midsagittal plane**.

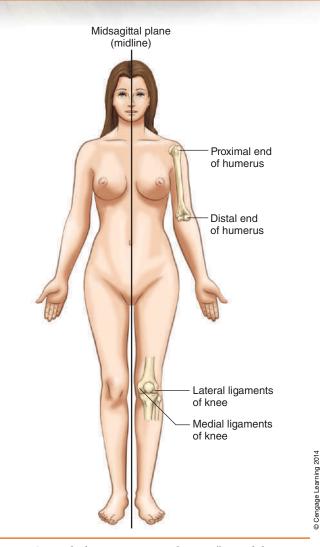


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A **coronal (frontal) plane** is a vertical cut at right angles to the sagittal plane, dividing the body into anterior and posterior portions. The term *coronal* comes from the coronal suture, which runs perpendicular (at a right angle) to the sagittal suture. A **transverse** or cross section is a horizontal cut that divides the body into upper and lower portions.



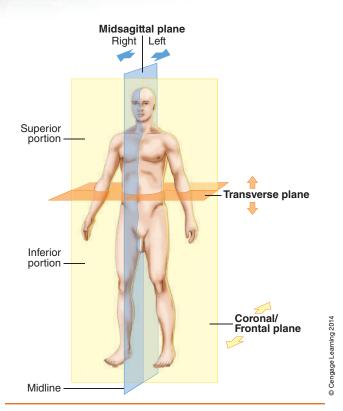


Figure 1-3 Body planes: The midsagittal plane divides the body equally into right and left halves. The transverse plane divides the body into upper and lower portions. The coronal (or frontal) plane divides the body into anterior and posterior portions.

Terms Referring to Cavities of the Body

The organs that comprise most of the body systems are located in four major cavities: cranial, spinal, thoracic, and abdominopelvic, Figure 1-4. The cranial and spinal cavities are within a larger region known as the posterior (dorsal) cavity. The thoracic and abdominopelvic cavities are found in the anterior (ventral) cavity.

The **dorsal cavity** contains the brain and spinal cord: The brain is in the **cranial cavity** and the spinal cord is in the **spinal cavity**, Figure 1-4. The diaphragm divides the ventral cavity into two parts: the upper thoracic and lower abdominopelvic cavities.

The central area of the **thoracic cavity** (tho-**RASS**-ik) is called the mediastinum. It lies between the lungs and extends from the sternum (breast bone) to the vertebrae of the back. The esophagus, bronchi, lungs, trachea, thymus gland, and heart are located in the thoracic cavity. The heart itself is contained within a smaller cavity, called the pericardial cavity.

The thoracic cavity is further subdivided into two pleural cavities. The left lung is in the left cavity, the right lung is in the right cavity. Each lung is covered with a thin membrane called the pleura.

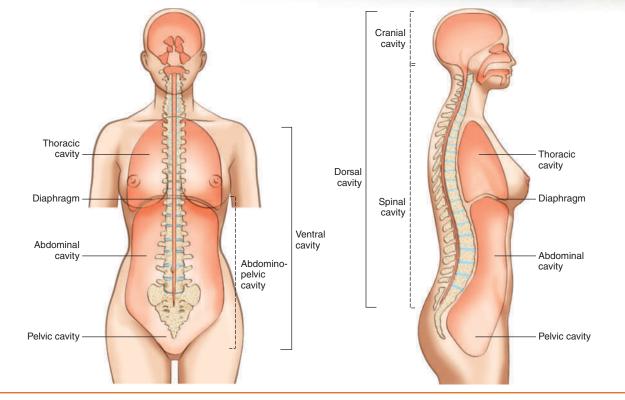


Figure 1-4 The major body cavities

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Terms Referring to Regions in the Abdominopelvic Cavity

To locate the abdominal and pelvic organs more easily, the abdominopelvic cavity is divided into nine regions, Figure 1-5.

The nine regions are located in the upper, middle, and lower parts of the abdomen:

The upper or epigastric (ep-ih-GAS-trick) region is located just below the sternum (breast bone). The right hypochondriac (high-poh-KON-dree-ack) and the left hypochondriac regions are located below the ribs.

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Smaller Cavities

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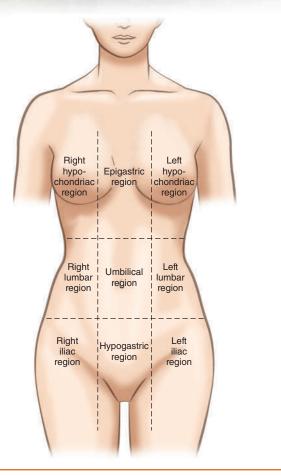


Figure 1–5 *Regions of the thorax and abdomen*

that passes through the **umbilicus** (um-**BILL**-ih-kus) at right angles. The four resulting quadrants are named according to their positions: right upper quadrant (RUQ), left upper quadrant (LUQ), right lower quadrant (RLQ), and left lower quadrant (LLQ), Figure 1-6.

Did You Know? McBurney's point is not at the top of a mountain but midway between the umbilicus and the iliac crest (the prominent area on the hip bone) and the right lower quadrant or right inguinal area. This area is painful when a person has appendicitis.

Life Functions

When we examine humans, plants, one-celled organisms, or multicelled organisms, we recognize that all of them have one thing in common: They are alive.

All living organisms are capable of carrying on life functions. **Life functions** are a series of highly organized and related activities that allow living organisms to live, grow, and maintain themselves.

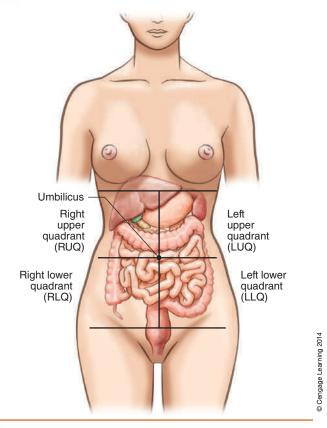


Figure 1-6 *Division of the abdomen into quadrants*

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These vital life functions include movement, ingestion, digestion, transport, respiration, synthesis, assimilation, growth, secretion, excretion, regulation (sensitivity), and reproduction, Table 1-1.

Human Development

During our lifetime, the body carries on numerous life functions that keep us alive and active. Living depends on the constant release of energy in every cell of the body. Powered by the energy that is released from food, the cells are able to maintain their own living condition and, thus, the life of a human being.

A complex life-form like a human being consists of over 50 trillion cells. The **cell** is the basic unit of structure and function of all living things. Early in human development, certain groups of cells become highly specialized for specific functions, such as movement or growth.

Special cells—grouped according to function, shape, size, and structure—are called **tissues**. Tissues, in turn, form larger functional and structural units known as **organs**. For example, human skin is an organ of epithelial, connective, muscular, and nervous tissue. In

LIFE FUNCTIONS/BODY SYSTEMS	DEFINITION
Movement Muscle System	The ability of the whole organism—or a part of it—to move
Ingestion Assimilation Digestive System	The process by which an organism takes in food The breakdown of complex food molecules into simpler food molecules The transformation of digested food molecules into living tissue for growth and self-repair
Transport Circulatory System	The movement of necessary substances to, into, and around cells, and of cellular products and wastes out of and away from cells
Respiration Respiratory System	The burning or oxidation of food molecules in a cell to release energy, water, and carbon dioxide
Immune System of Body / Lymphatic System	Filters out harmful bacteria and produces the white blood cells; lymphocytes
Protection / Integumentary System	Waterproof covering of body
Growth Skeletal System	The enlargement of an organism due to synthesis and assimilation, resulting in an increase in the number and size of its cells
Secretion Endocrine System	The formation and release of hormones from a cell or structure
Excretion Urinary System	The removal of metabolic waste products from an organism
Regulation (Sensitivity) Nervous System	The ability of an organism to respond to its environment so as to maintain a balanced state (homeostasis)
Reproduction Reproductive System	The ability of an organism to produce offspring with similar characteristics (This is <i>essential</i> for species survival as opposed to individual survival.)

much the same way, kidneys consist of highly specialized connective and epithelial tissue.

The organs of the human body do not operate independently. They function interdependently with one another to form a live, functioning organism. Some organs are grouped together because more than one is needed to perform a function. Such a grouping is called an **organ system**. One example is the digestive system composed of the teeth, esophagus, stomach, small intestine, and large intestine. In this textbook you will study the various body systems and the organs that comprise them.

Body Processes

Homeostasis

Homeostasis (hoe-mee-oh-STAY-sis) is the ability of the body to regulate its internal environment within narrow limits. Maintaining homeostasis is essential to survival; imbalance results in **disease** (**DIZ-ease**). All organ systems contribute to homeostasis. Examples of homeostasis controls are blood sugar levels, body temperature, heart rate, and the fluid environment of the cells.

Most of homeostasis control works on a **negative feedback loop.** Feedback responses reverse disturbances to our body's condition. An example of how a negative feedback loop operates is seen in maintaining our body temperature. Our normal body temperature is 37°C (98.6°F). Outside, on a very hot summer day, our body temperature rises. The hypothalamus in the brain detects this and sends signals to various organs and we start to sweat (sweating is a cooling process). As water is excreted by the sweat glands on the skin, it evaporates (evaporation is a cooling mechanism). In addition, our blood vessels dilate to bring blood near the skin's surface to dissipate body heat. If we go outside on a cold day and our body temperature falls below 37°C (98.6°F), the hypothalamus of the brain detects this and sends signals to the muscles, causing us to shiver, which raises the body temperature (increased muscle activity produces heat). In addition, the hypothalamus sends signals to the blood vessels, causing them to constrict, which reduces blood flow near the surface, which conserves body heat.

Metabolism

The functional activities of cells that result in growth, repair, energy release, use of food, and secretions are combined under the heading of **metabolism** (meh-**TAB**-oh-lizm). Metabolism consists of two processes that are opposite to each other: anabolism and catabolism. **Anabolism** (ah-**NAB**-oh-lizm) is the building up of complex materials from simpler ones such as food and oxygen and requires energy. **Catabolism** (kah-**TAB**-oh-lizm) is the breaking down and changing of complex substances into simpler ones, with a release of energy and carbon dioxide. The sum of all the chemical reactions within a cell is therefore called metabolism.

Metric System

To understand the language used in *Body Structure and Function*, you must be familiar with the metric system. The medical community measures length, determines weight, and measures volume using this system. The **metric system** is a decimal system based on the power of 10. Just as there are 100 cents in a dollar, there are 100 centimeters in a meter (see Appendix A).

Some of the prefixes used in the metric system are:

centi = 1/100 (one/one-hundredth)

$$milli = 1/1000 (one/one-thousandth)$$

micro = 1/1,000,000 (one/one-millionth)

Lengths are measured using meters instead of inches and feet.

1 centimeter (cm) =
$$0.4$$
 inch
2.5 cm = 1 inch

Weights are measured using grams instead of ounces and pounds.

1 gram (g) = 1 ounce
1 kilogram (kg) = 2.2 pounds
$$1000 \text{ g} = 1 \text{ kg}$$

In drug dosages, the most familiar unit used is the gram or milligram (mg)

$$500 \text{ mg} = 0.5 \text{ g}$$

Volumes are measured using liters or milliliters instead of quarts, pints, ounces, teaspoon, and tablespoon.

1 liter (L) = 1.06 quarts (a liter is slightly larger than a quart)

1 L = 1000 milliliters (mL)

For liquid drug dosage milliliters are used.

5 mL = 1 teaspoon15 mL = 1 tablespoon30 mL = 1 ounce

Medical Highlights

Biotechnology and Nanotechnology

In the future we will see advances in the treatment and diagnosis of disease using techniques such as *biotechnology* and *nanotechnology*.

Biotechnology refers to any technological application that uses biological systems, living organisms, or derivatives thereof to make or modify products or processes for specific uses. One field of biotechnology, genetic engineering, has introduced techniques such as gene therapy, recombinant DNA technology, and the polymerase chain reaction. These techniques make use of genes and DNA molecules to diagnose disease and insert new and healthy genes into the body to replace damaged cells. Using the techniques of biotechnology, biopharmaceutical drugs have been developed. Scientists are trying to develop biopharmaceutical drugs to treat diseases such as hepatitis, cancer, and heart disease.

Nanotechnology is a relatively new science that manipulates atoms and molecules to form new materials. Nanotechnology deals with materials a billion times smaller than a soccer ball. We cannot even visualize such minute dimensions. At this size, matter exhibits unusual properties that can be engineered to perform tasks not otherwise possible.

At present the signs of disease first appear at a cellular level. To date, instruments used within medicine have only been able to detect abnormalities at the macro level. Being able to diagnose and treat disease at the molecular level will enable physicians to reach the root origins of disease and assist—or even replace—the healing process.

The development of nanotechnology for nanomedical applications is a priority of the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Among the long-term goals of the NIH is to be able to use nanoparticles to seek out cancer cells before tumors grow and to remove and/or replace "broken" parts of cells or cell mechanisms with miniature, molecular sized biological "machines" and use these "machines" as pumps or robots to deliver medicines when and where needed in the body.

Medical Terminology

ana	apart	infer/ior	below a part
-tom	cutting	-al	pertaining to
-у	process of	caud	tail
ana/tom/y	process of cutting apart; study	caud/al	pertaining to the tail
	of body parts by dissection	crani	skull
-ology	study of	crani/al	pertaining to the skull
bio	life	dist	distant
bio/logy	study of life	dist/al	pertaining to a distant part
physio	nature	dors	back
physi/ology	study of nature or natural function	dors/al	pertaining to the back
	of body	later	side
ante	in front of	later/al	pertaining to the side
anter/ior	in the front	medi	middle
poster	behind	medi/al	pertaining to the middle
poster/ior	in back of	proxim	near
super	above	proxim/al	pertaining to nearness or close
super/ior	above a part	ventr	belly, front side
infer	below	ventr/al	pertaining to the belly or front side
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Review Questions

Select the letter of the choice that best completes the statement.

- **1.** The study of the size and shape of the heart is called:
 - a. physiology
 - b. anatomy
 - c. histology
 - d. embryology

- **2.** Physiology is the study of:
 - a. the size of the cell
 - b. the shape of the kidney
 - c. the function of the lungs
 - d. the size and shape of the liver