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Blood Vessels

Vessel Wall

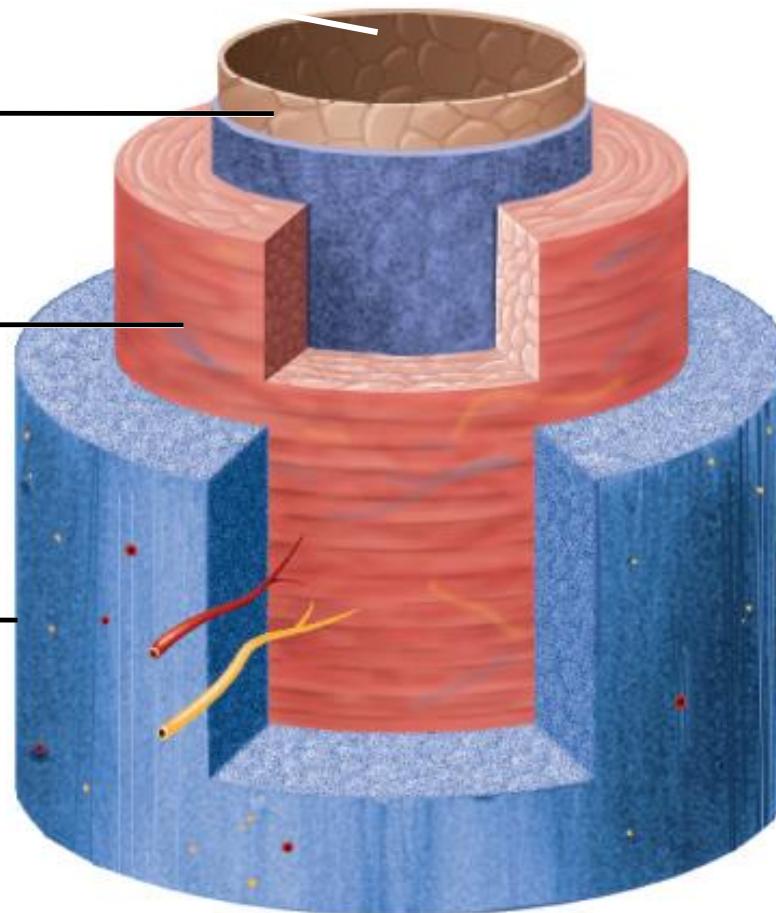
- Vessel Wall
 - Tunica interna
 - Tunica media
 - Tunica externa

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Tunica interna:
Endothelium —————

Tunica media —————

Tunica externa —————



Blood Vessel Types

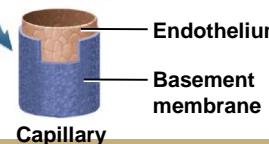
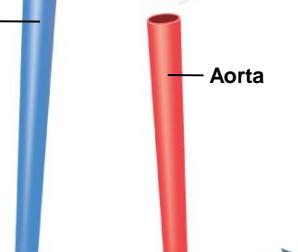
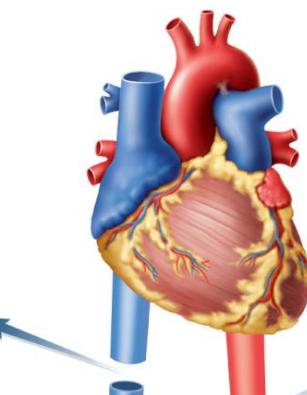
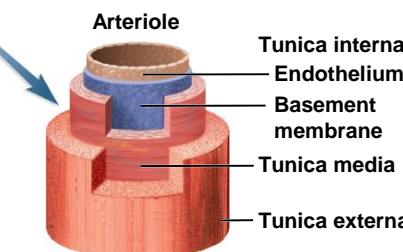
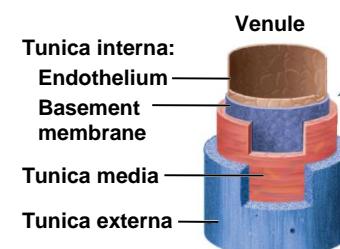
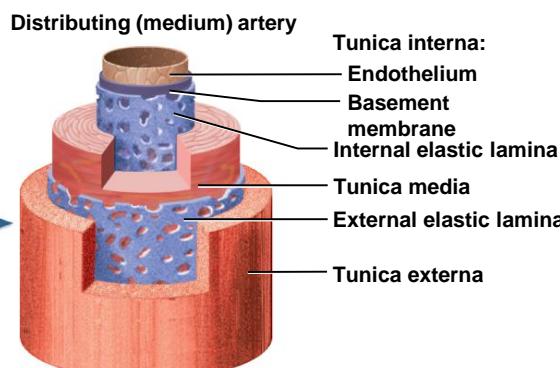
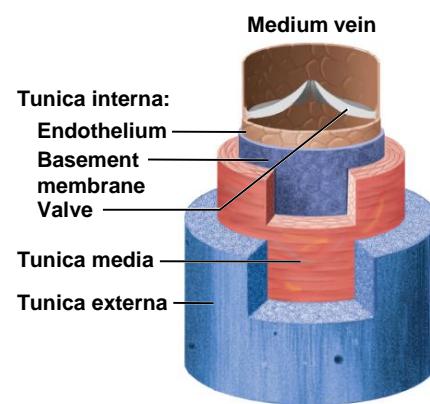
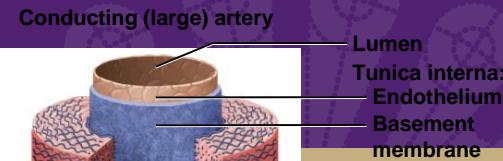
- Arteries
- Capillaries
- Veins

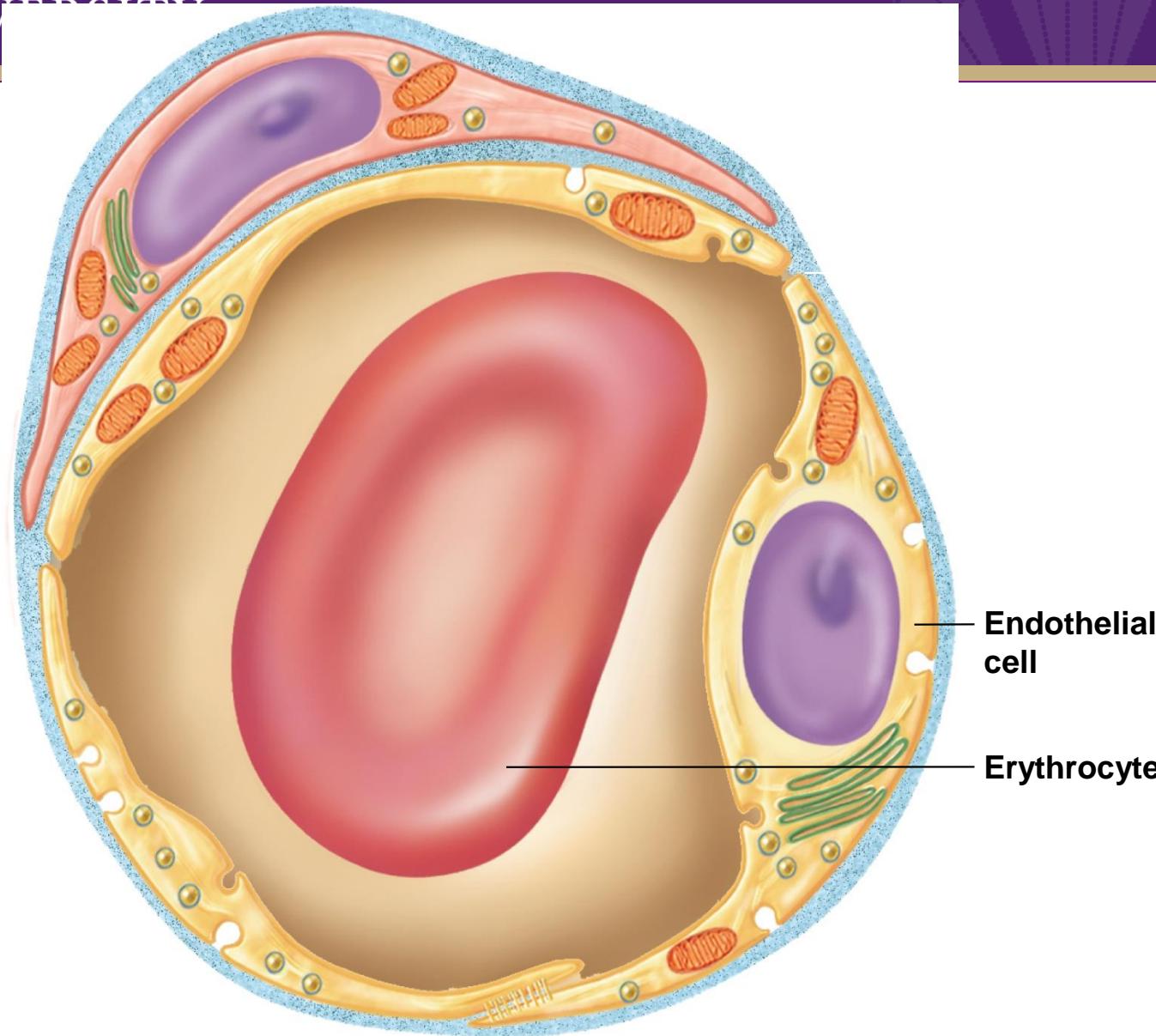
Fig. 20.2

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Mechanisms of Venous Return

- Pressure gradient
- Gravity
- Skeletal muscle pump

Blood Pressure



- Force exerted on inner walls of vessels by blood
- Arterial pressure vs venous pressure
- Systolic pressure vs diastolic pressure