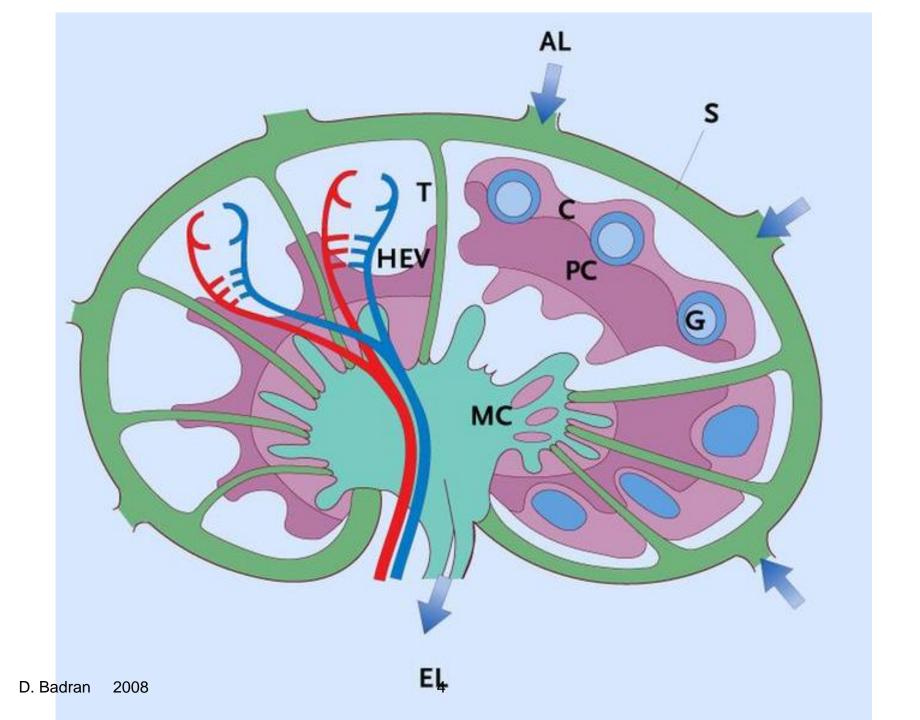
# Lymph nodes and Tonsils

# Lymph Nodes

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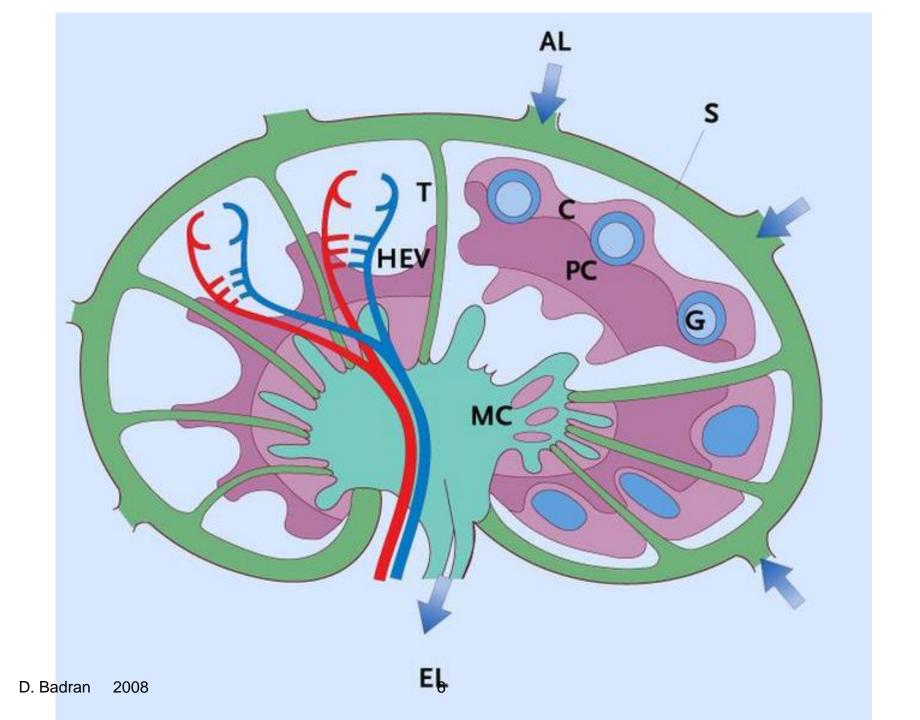


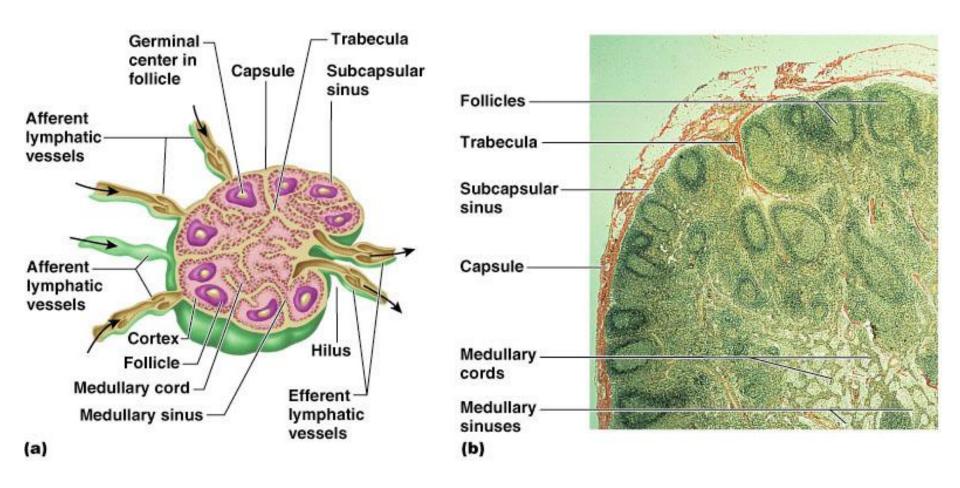
Distributed all over the body.

Each node is small, soft and surrounded by connective tissue capsule

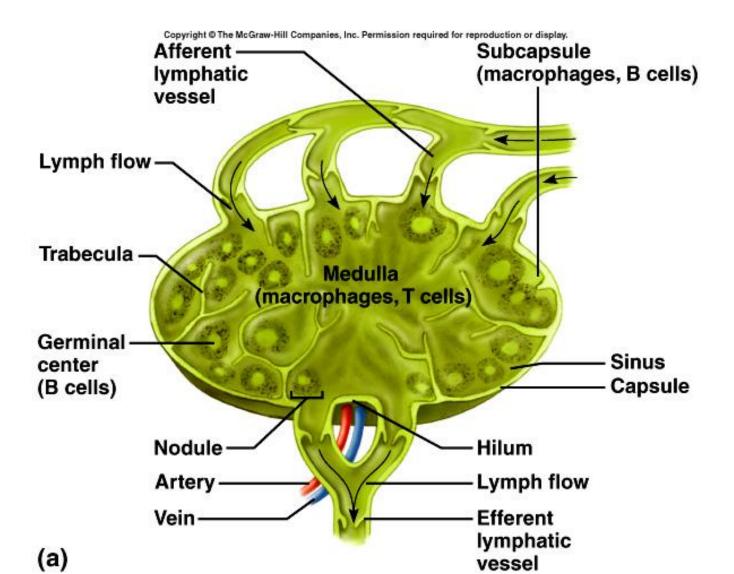
Parenchyma is composed of T and B lymphocytes, APC's and macrophages.

Divided into cortex and medulla.

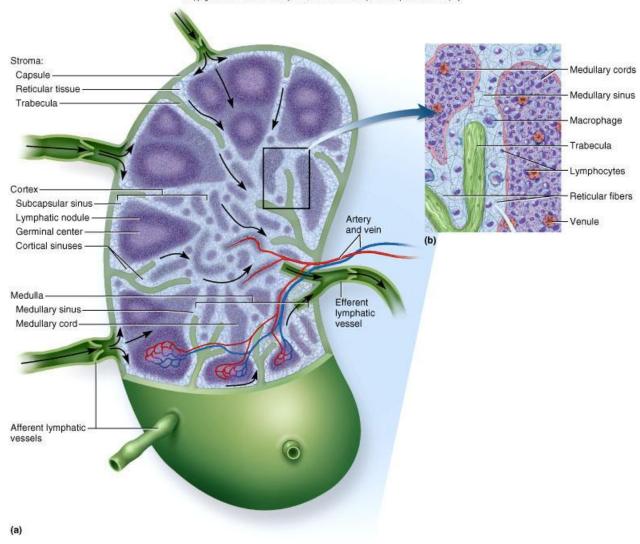




#### Structure of Lymph Node



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Surrounded by dense irregular C.T capsule.

The capsule sends trabecula into the cortex dividing it incompletely into compartments.

The capsule and trabeculae are surrounded by reticular fibres.

Afferent vessels are seen on the convex side of the node.

Afferent vessels empty into subcapsular sinus.

The subcapsular sinus is continuous with the paratrabecular siunses. The paratrabecular sinuses empty into medullary sinuses.

Medullary sinuses empty into efferent vessels.

#### Subcapsular sinus

Peritrabecular sinus

Medullary sinus

Efferent vessel

Lymph sinuses have reticular stellate cells.

Processes of stellate cells come in contact with endothelium and other similar cells.

Macrophages come in contact with stellate cells.

**Lymphoid nodule**: present in the compartments and contain B lymphocytes.

Germinal centres are seen in the middle of the nodule that had been exposed to an antigen (secondary).

The peripheral part of the nodule is known as the corona.

#### **Paracortex**

Lies between cortex and medulla.

Known as T dependant zone or juxtamedullary zone.

Rich in APC's.

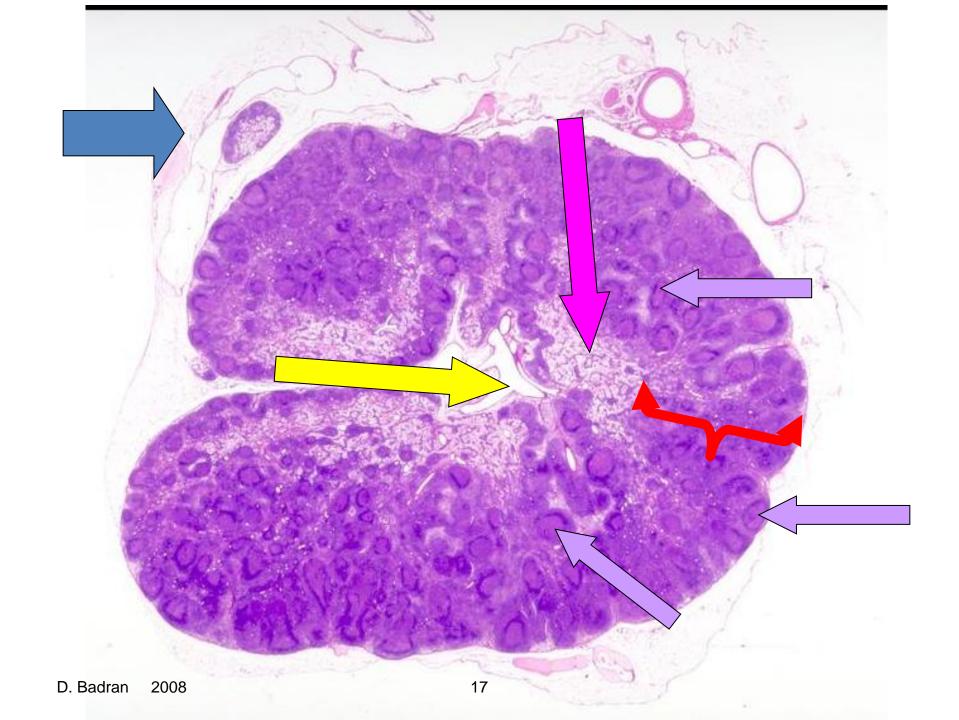
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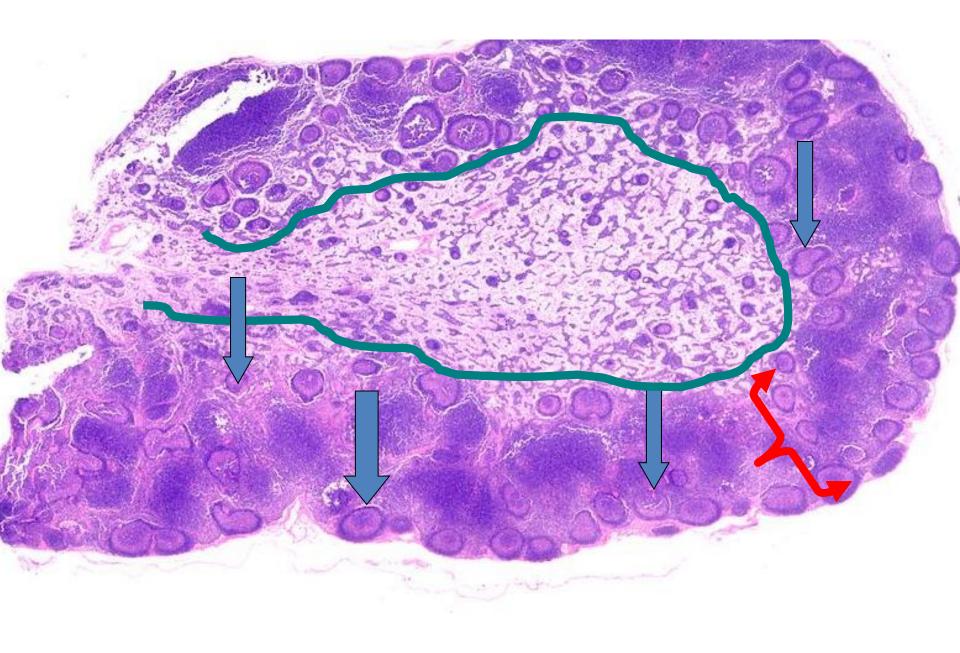
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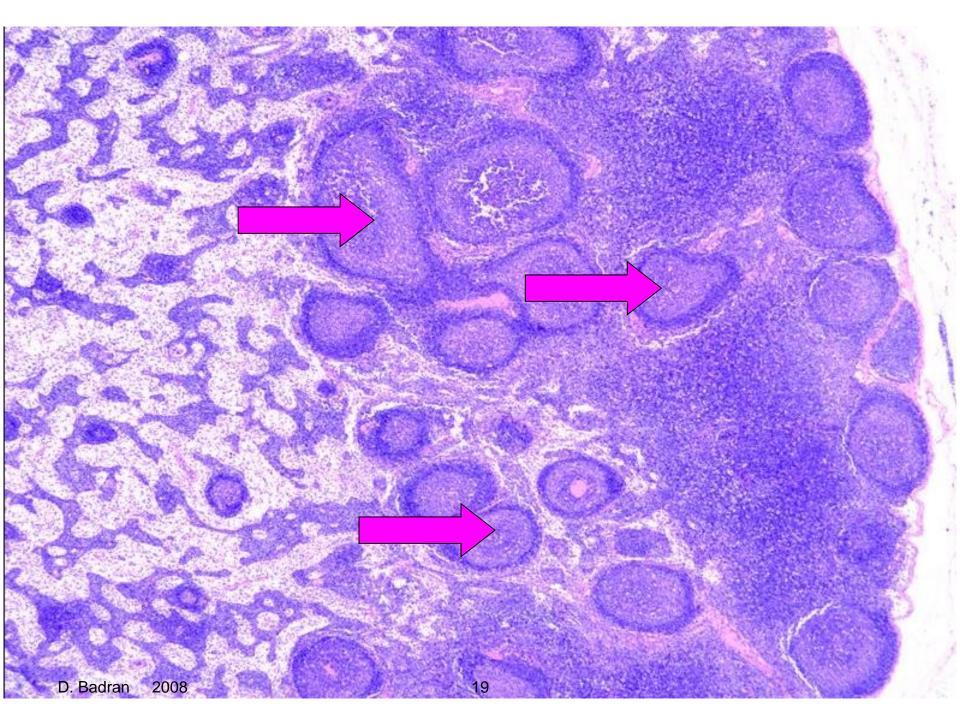
Contains large sinuses surrounded by lymphocytes, plasma cells and macrophages: <u>medullary cords</u>.

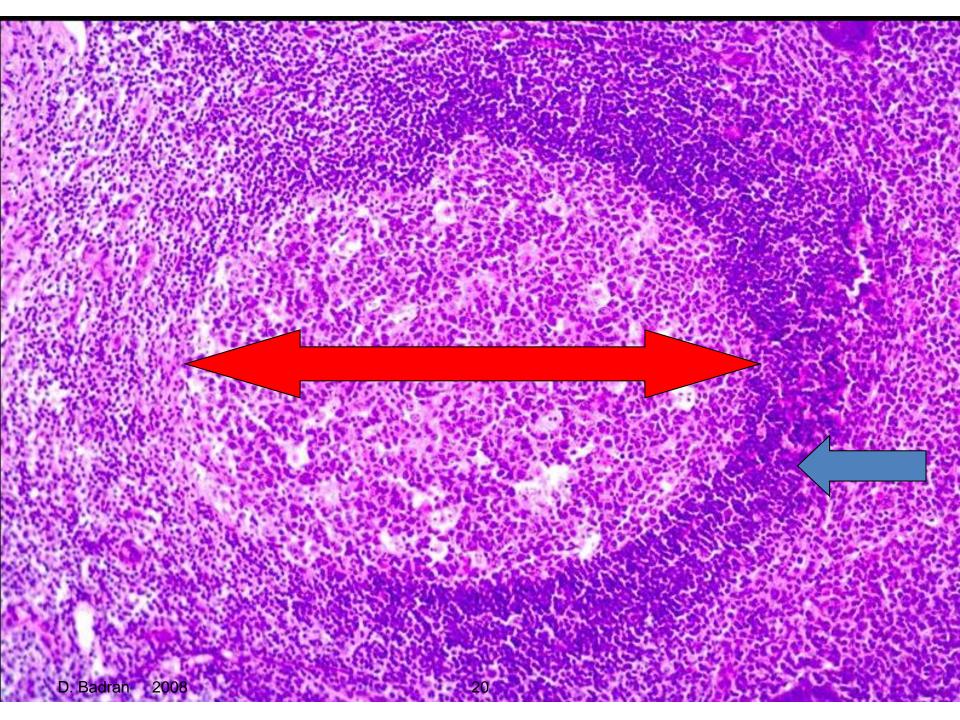
Lymphocytes migrate from the cortex to the medulla.

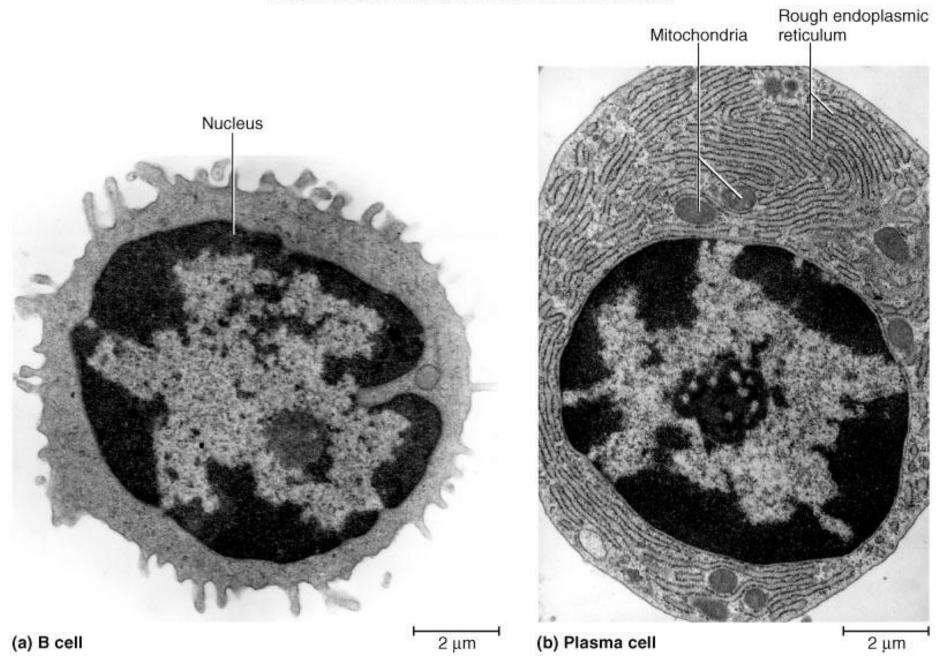
Blood vessels enter and leave through the hilum.



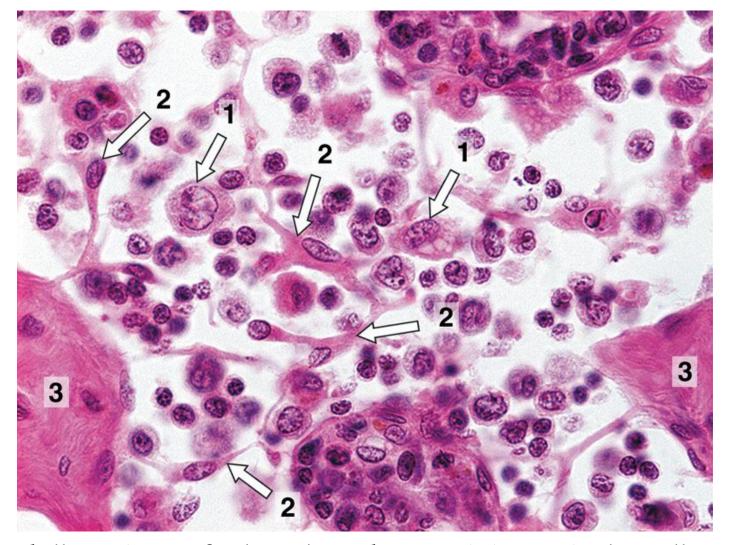






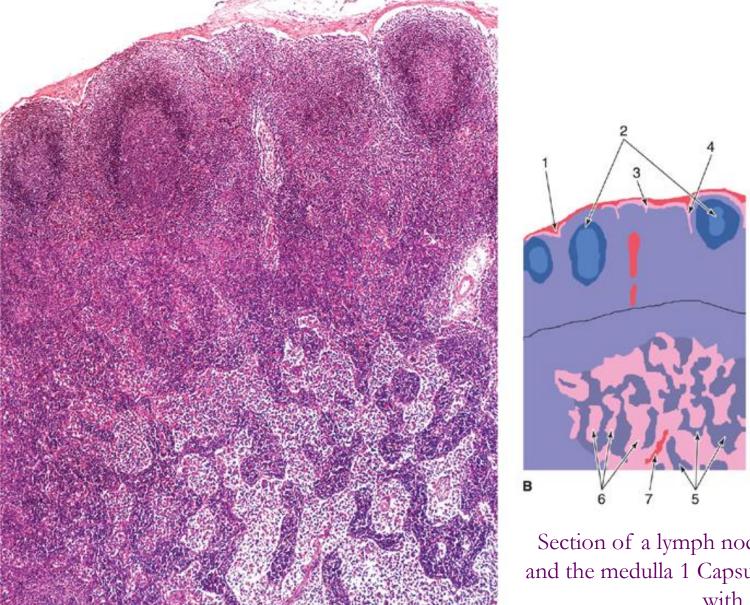


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Medullary sinus of a lymph node containing reticular cells with long processes and elongated nuclei, macrophages, and many lymphocytes. (1)

Macrophage; (2) reticular cell; (3) trabecula. H&E stain. High magnification. (Courtesy of PA Abrahamsohn.)



Section of a lymph node showing the cortex and the medulla 1 Capsule;2 lymphoid nodule with germinative center 3

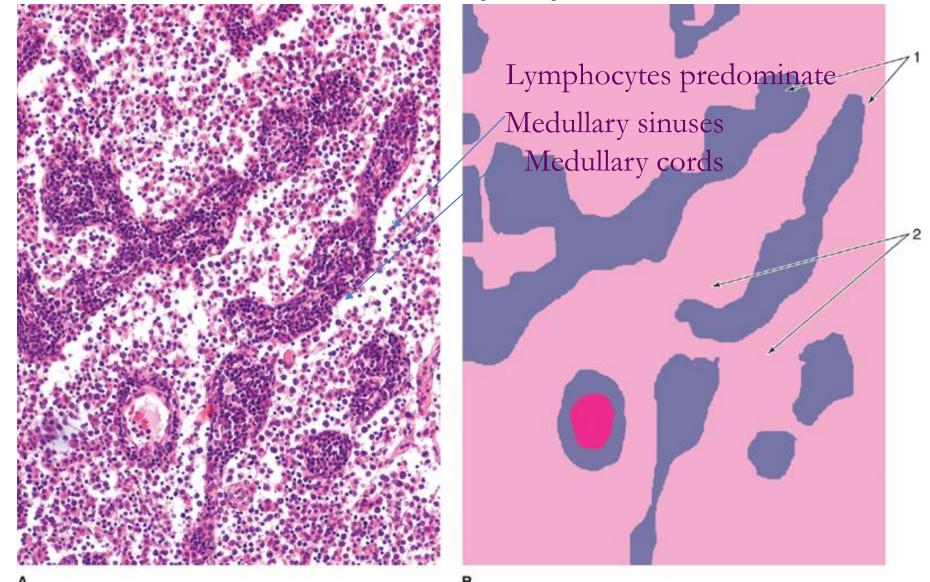
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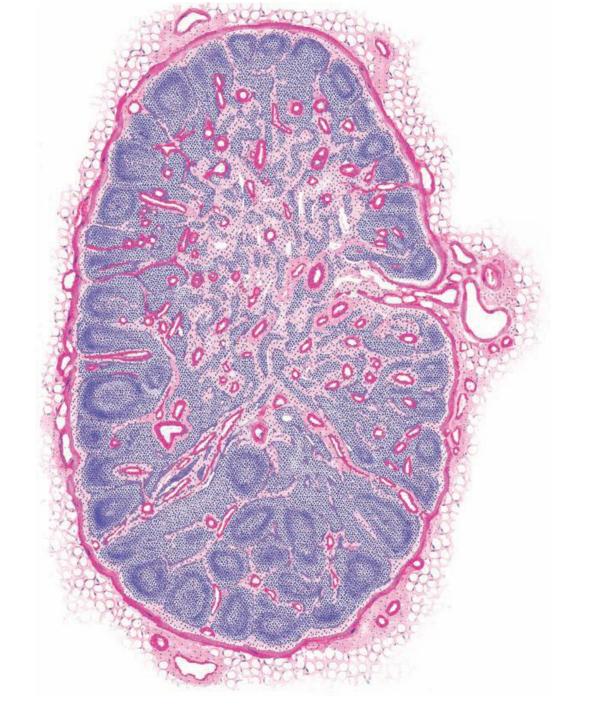
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Medulla

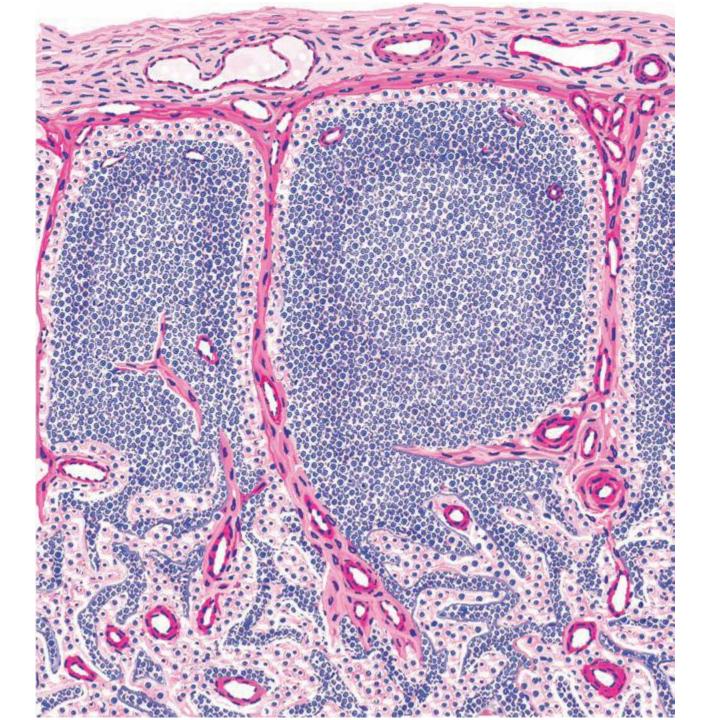
subcapsular sinus; (4) intermediate sinus; (5) medullary cords; (6) medullary sinus; (7) trabecula. (Courtesy of PA Abrahamsohn.)

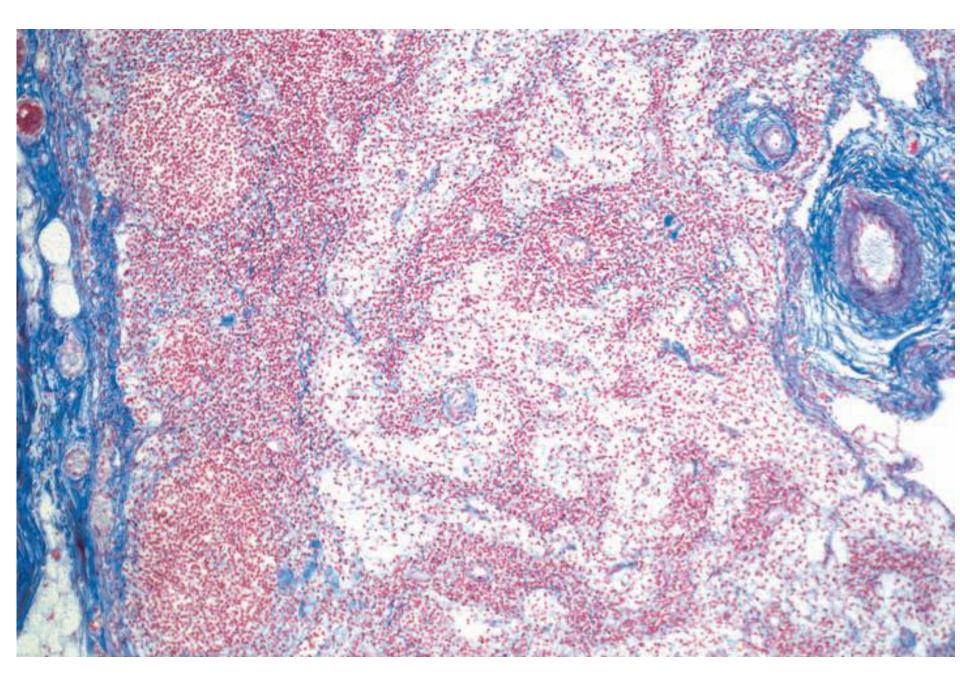
## Medulla of Lymph Node

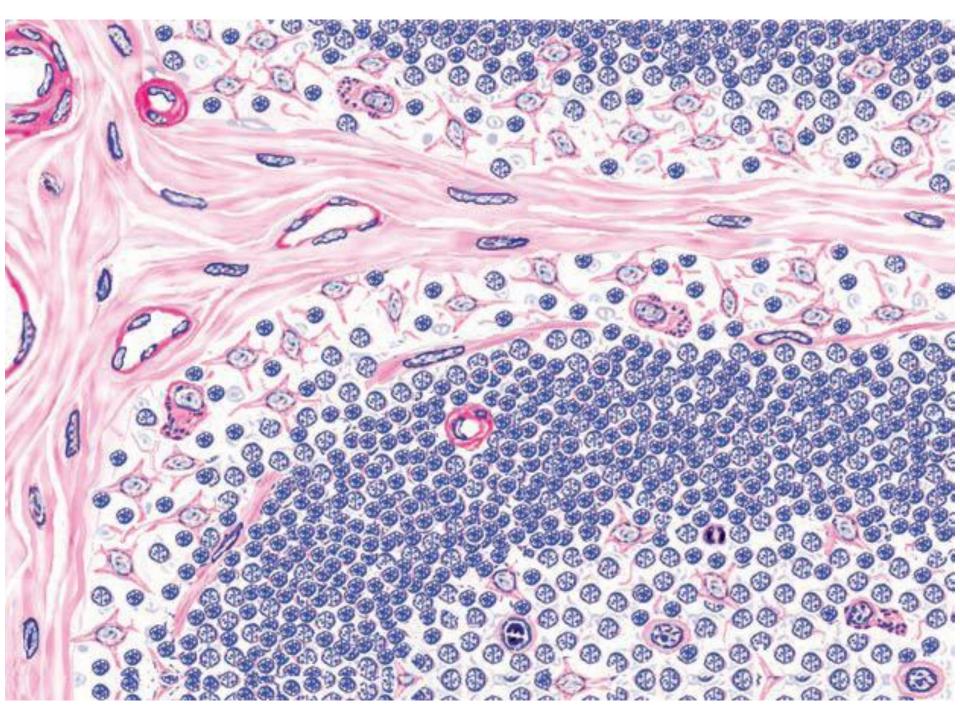


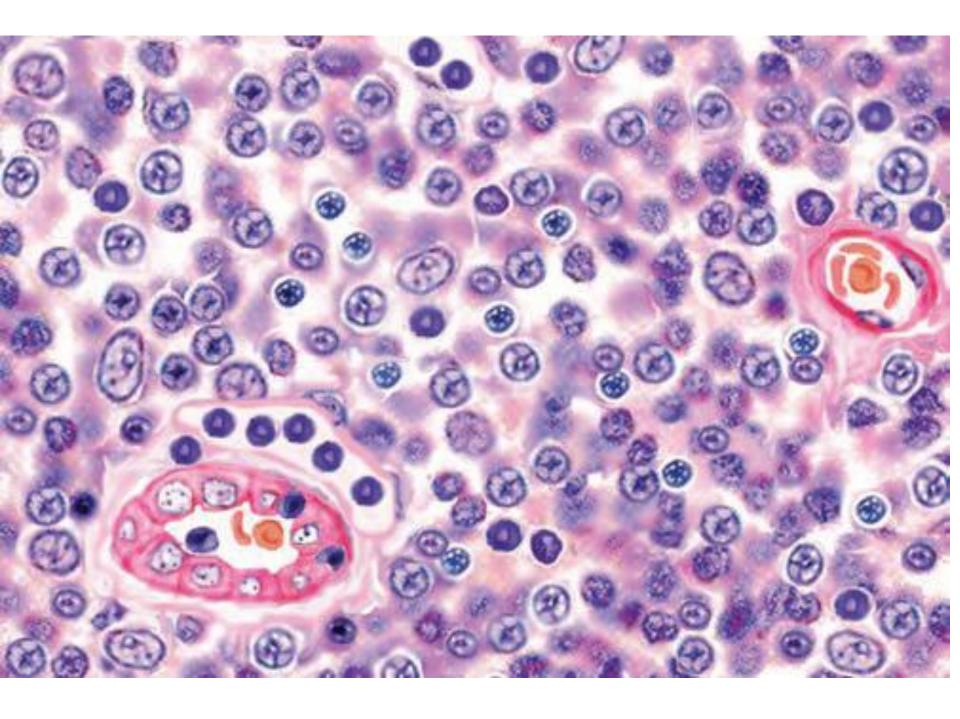


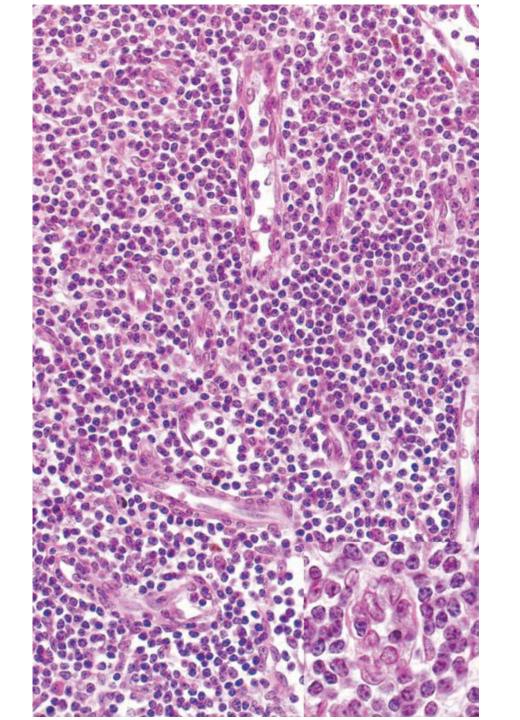


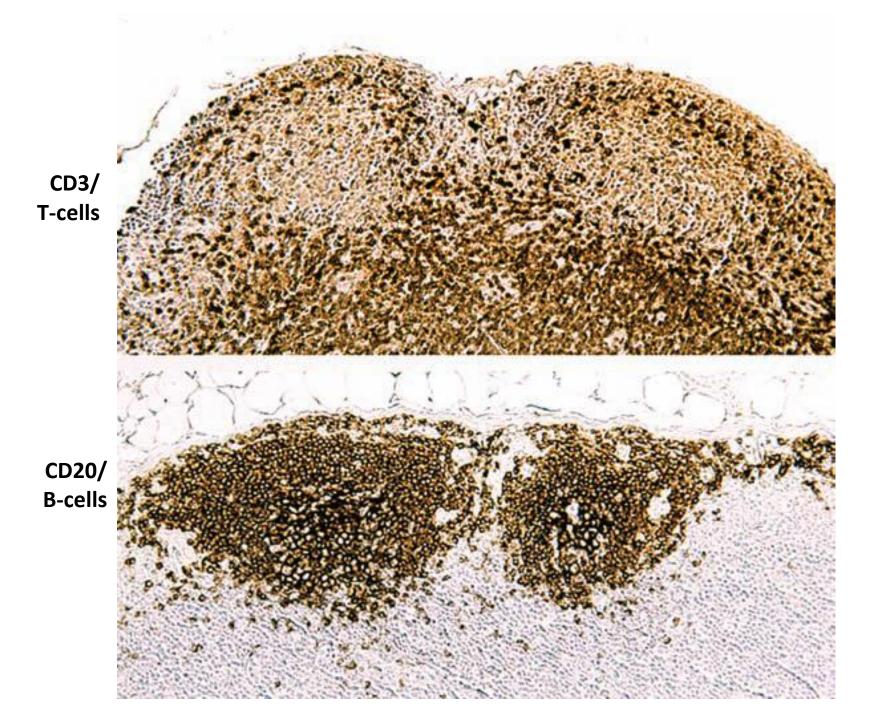


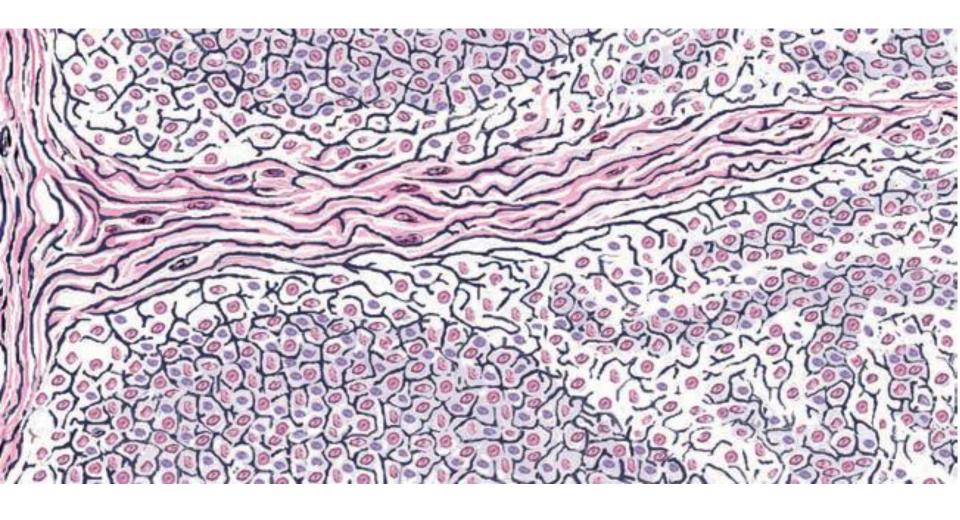


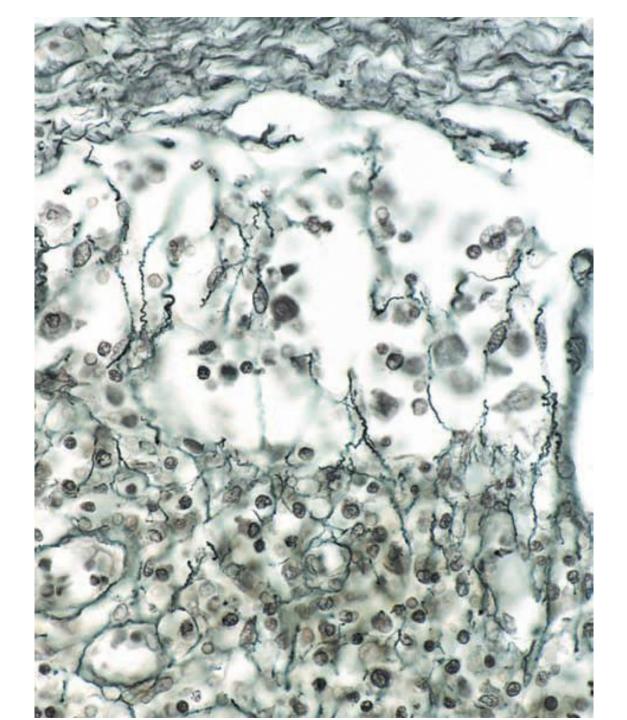


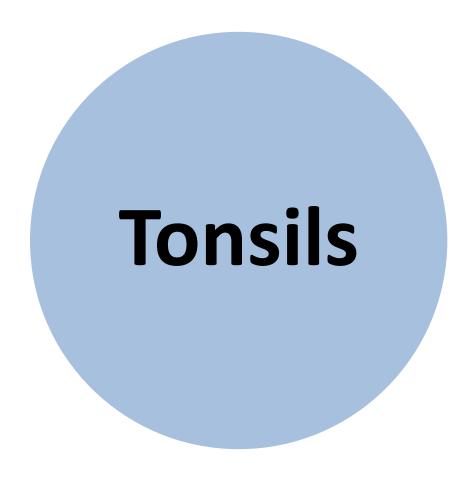


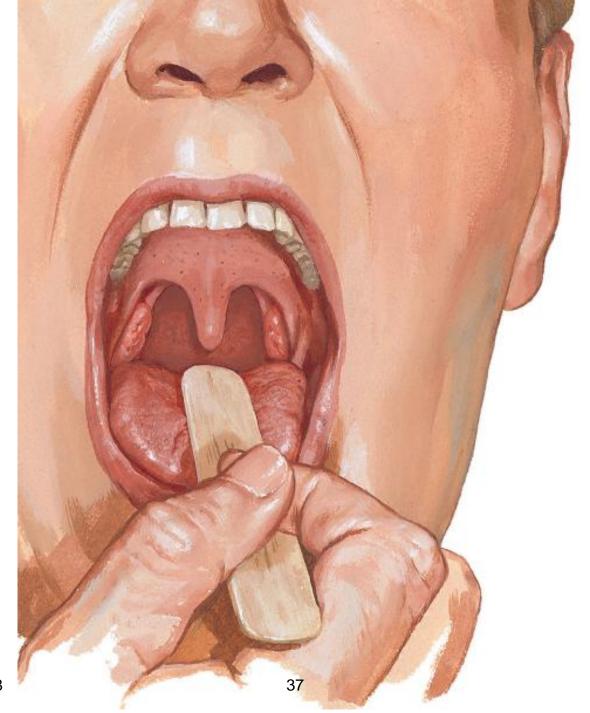












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#### **Palatine Tonsils**

Location: in the tonsillar fossa between the palatoglossal and palatopharyngeal arches.

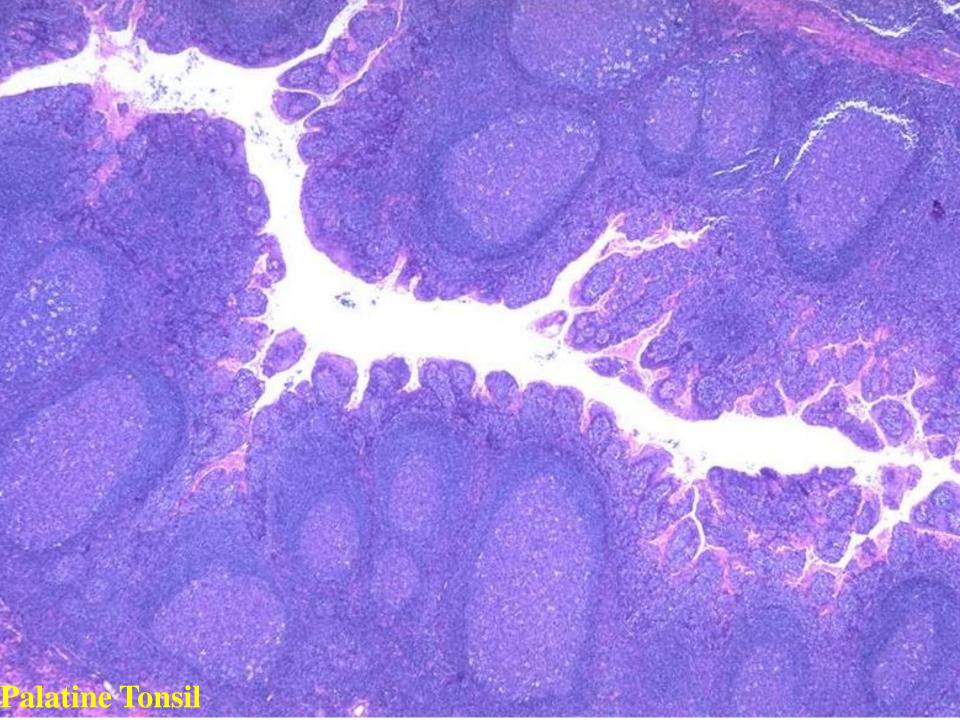
The deep part is surrounded by dense capsule.

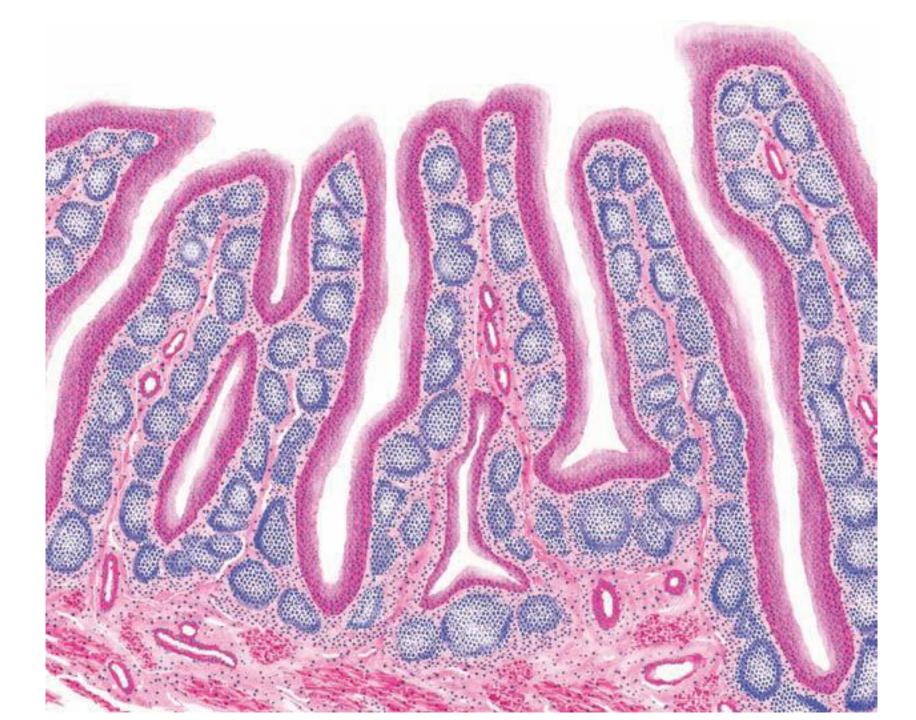
The superficial aspect is covered by stratified squamous non keratinizing epithelium.

The epithelium form 10-15 crypts.

The parenchyma is composed of many lymphoid nodules.







# **Pharyngeal Tonsil**

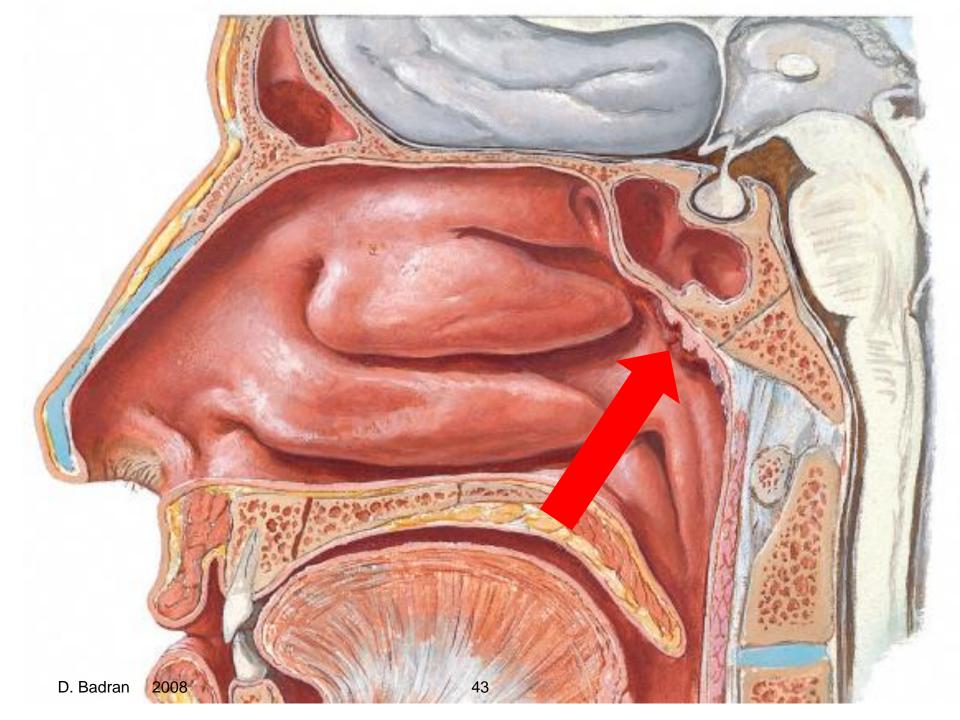
Single, in the roof of the nasopharynx.

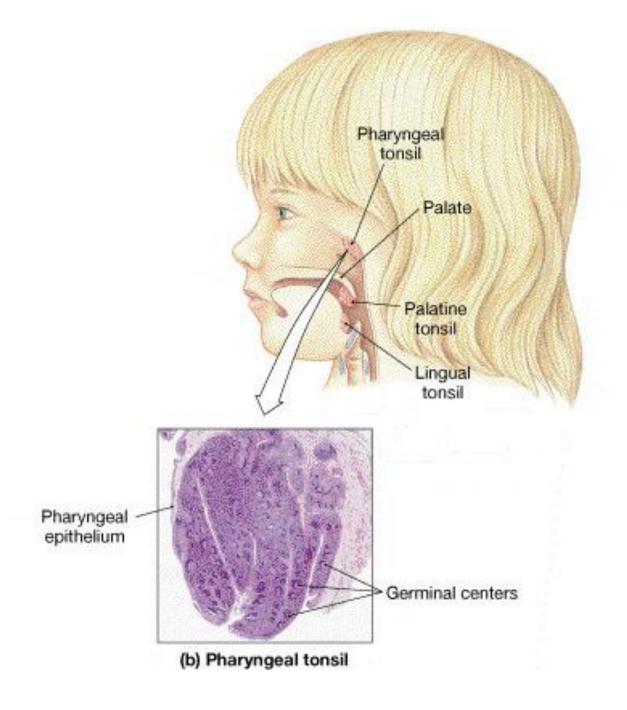
The capsule is thinner than in palatine tonsil.

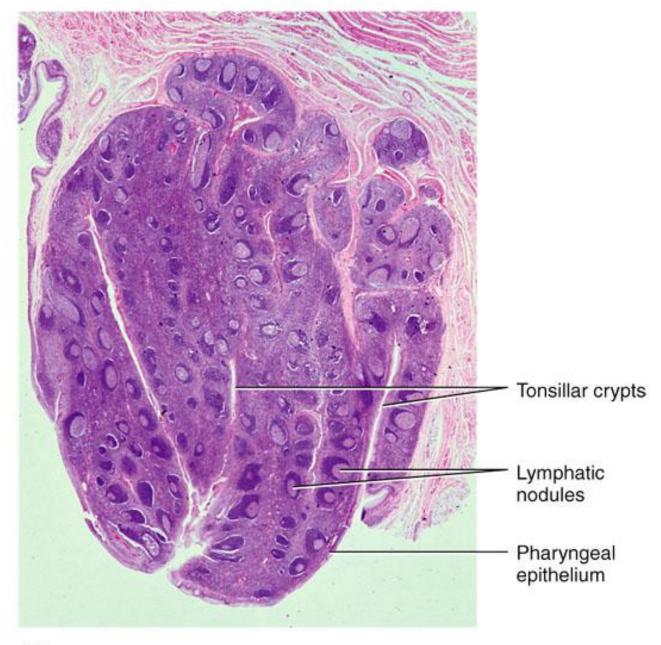
Epithelium covering is alternating stratified squamous and respiratory epithelium.

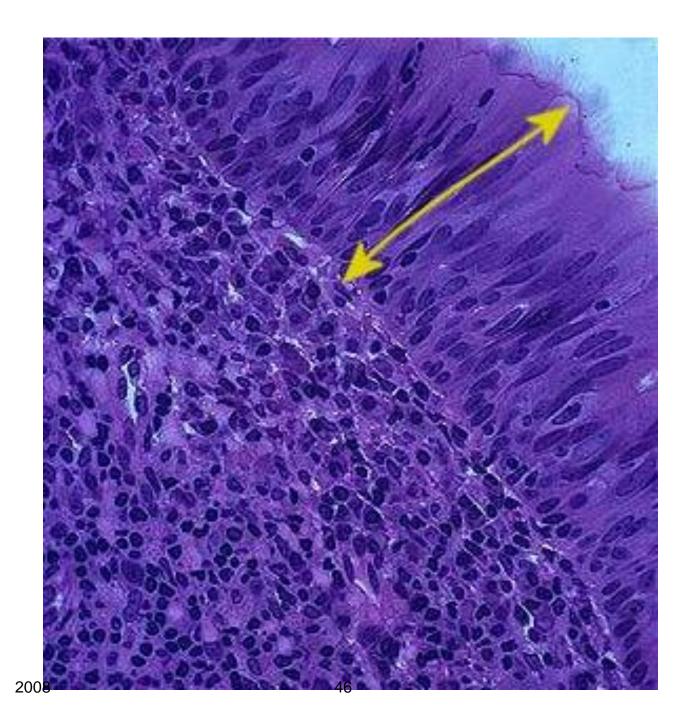
No crypts but *Pleats*.

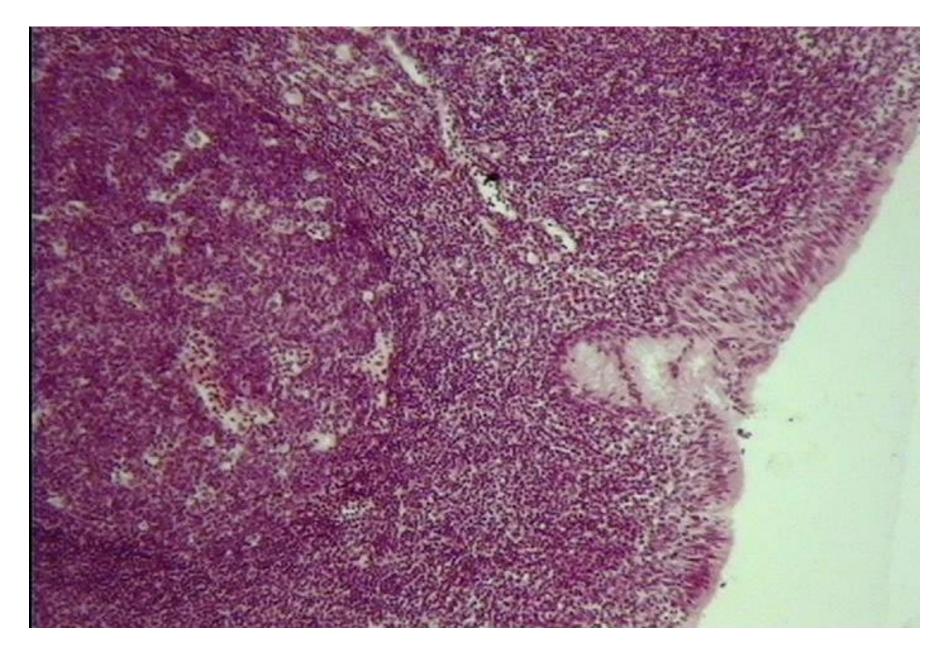
Ducts of glands (seromucous) open into the pleats.



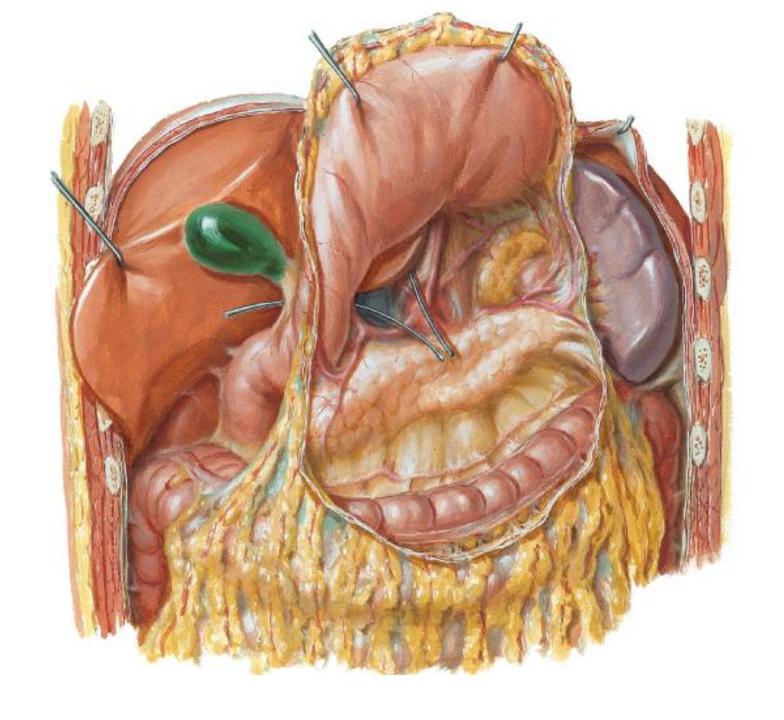


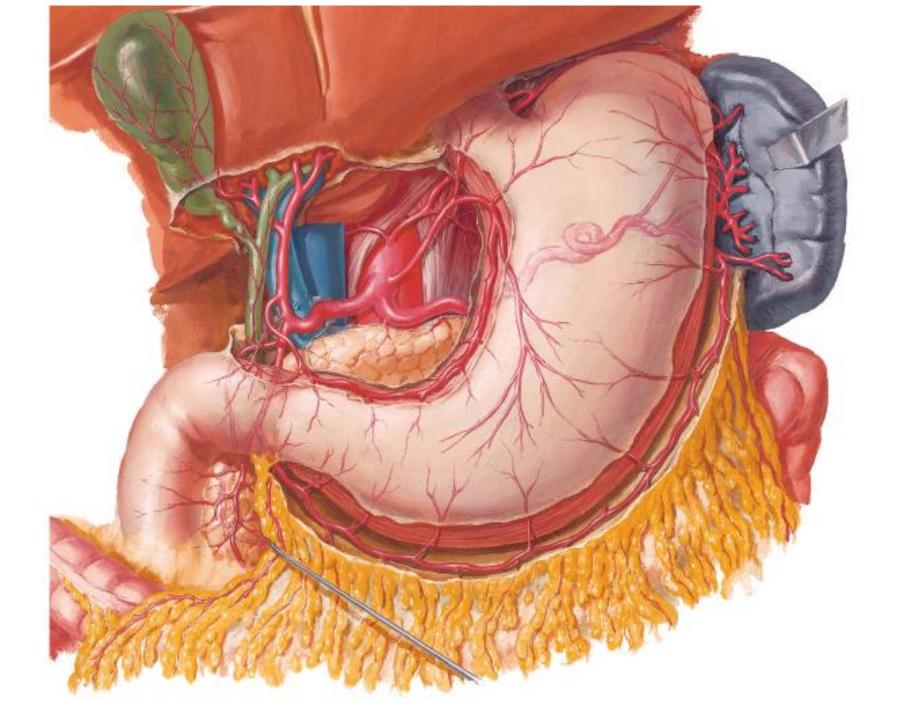


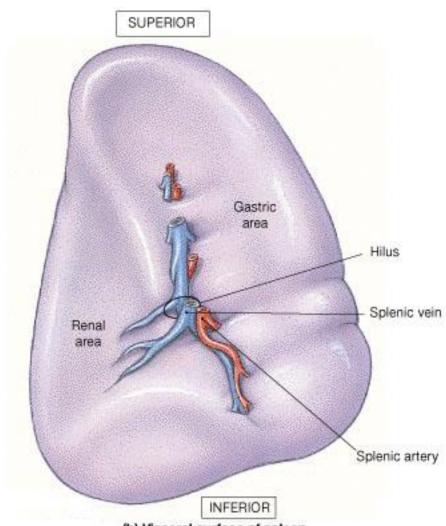




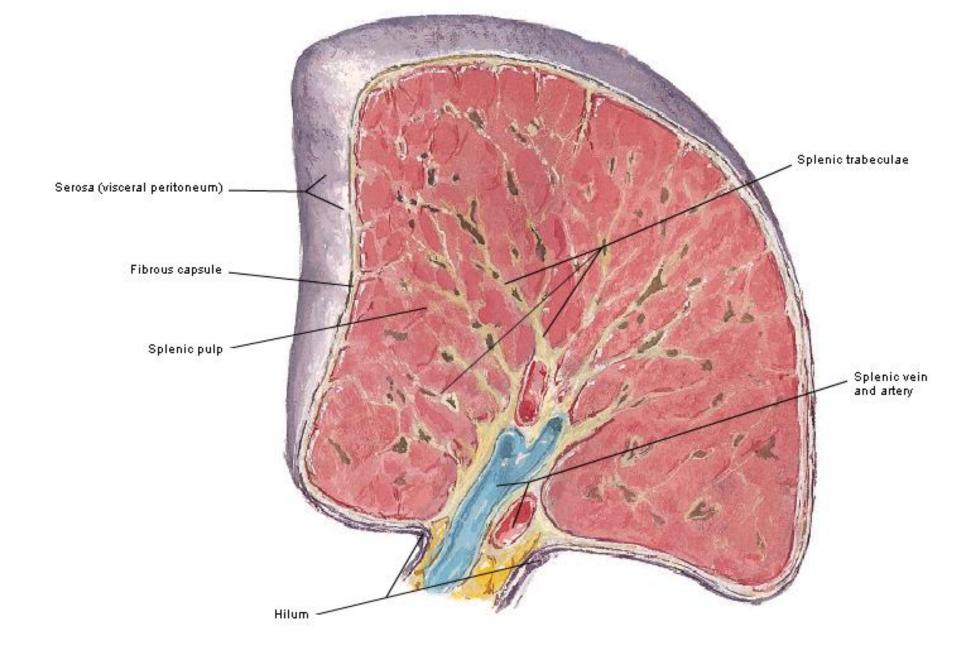
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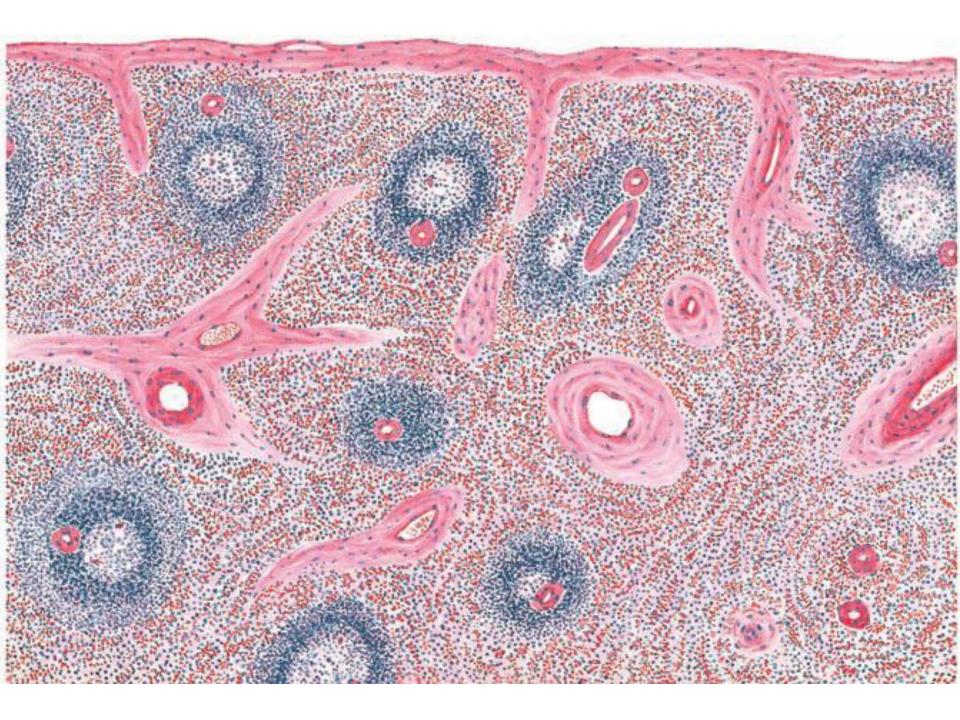


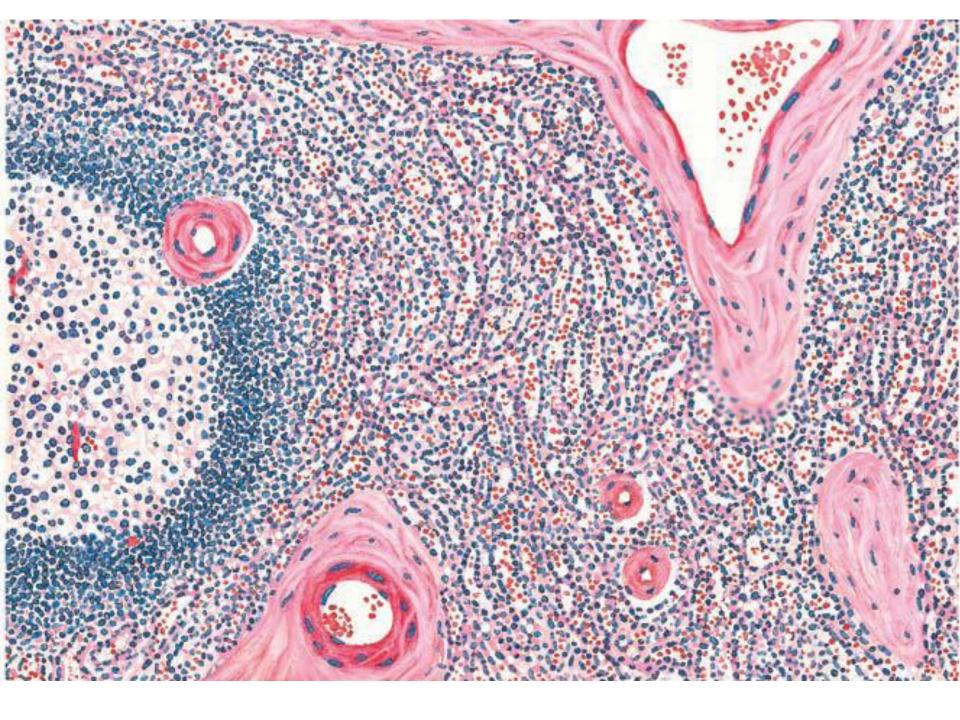


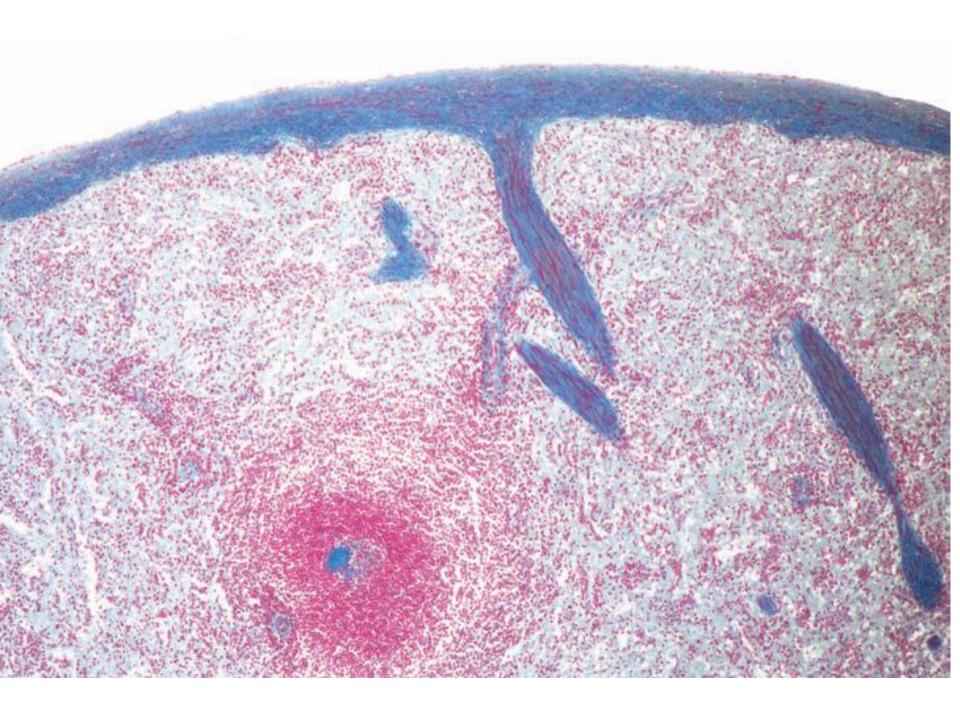


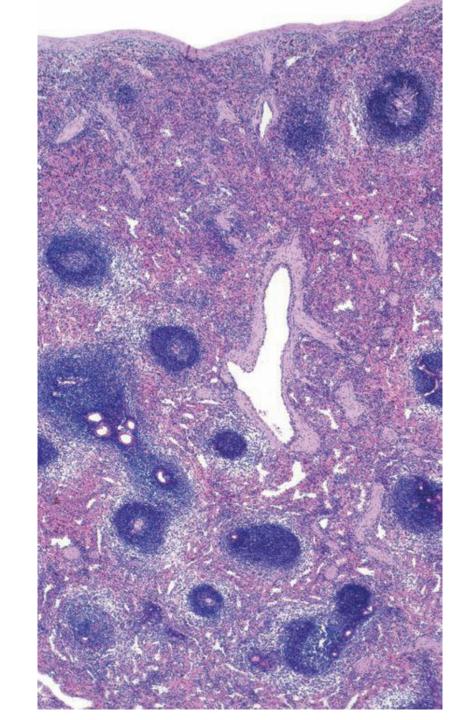
(b) Visceral surface of spleen

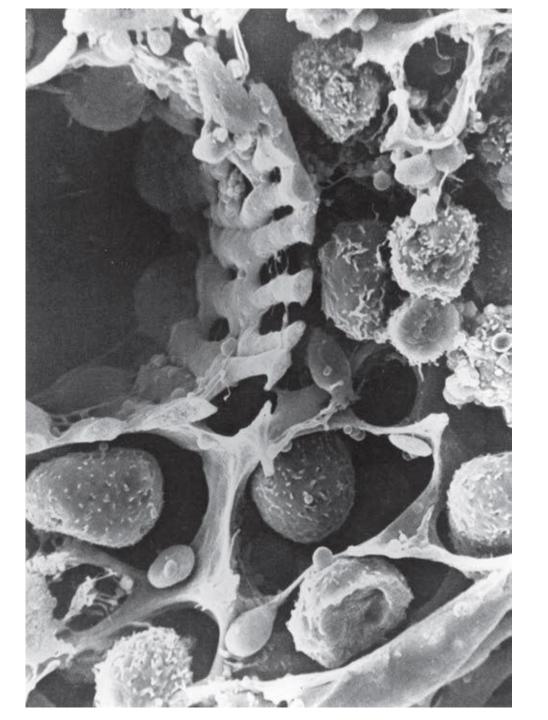




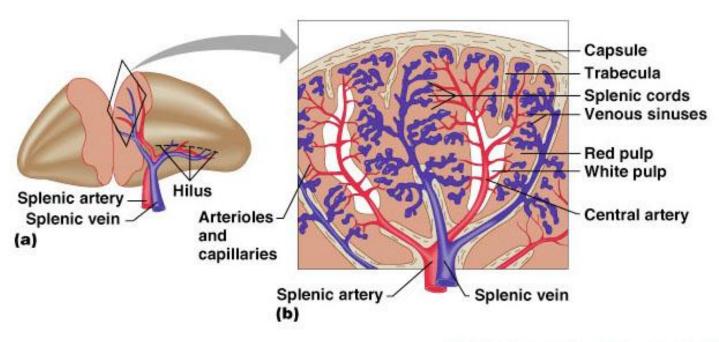




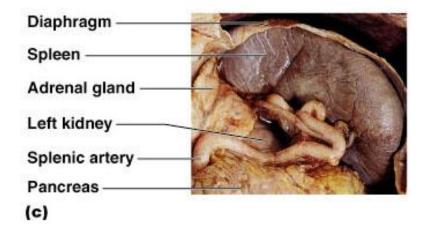


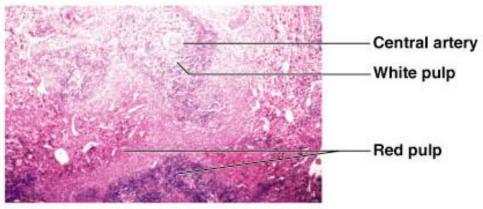


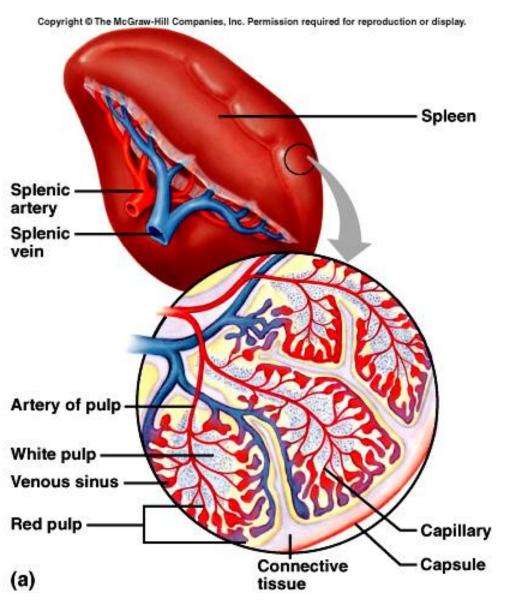


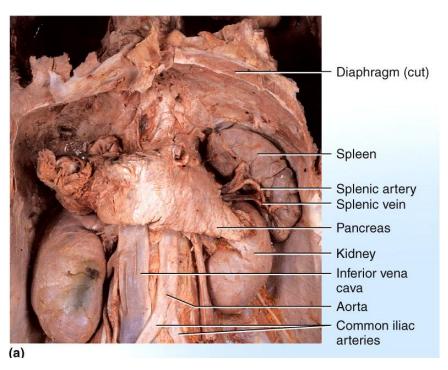


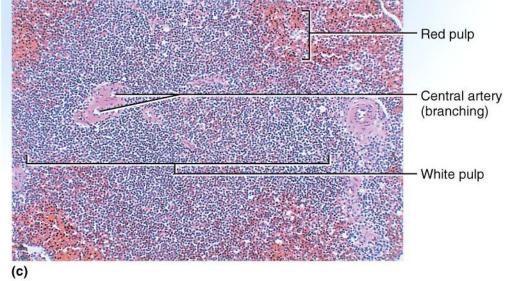
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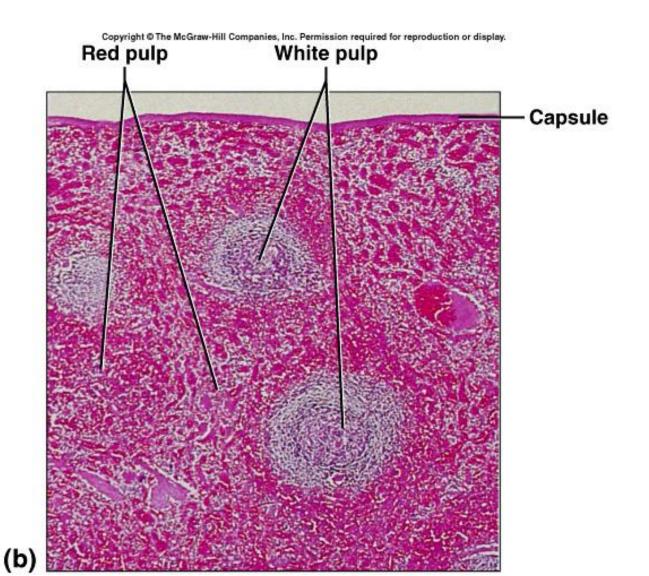


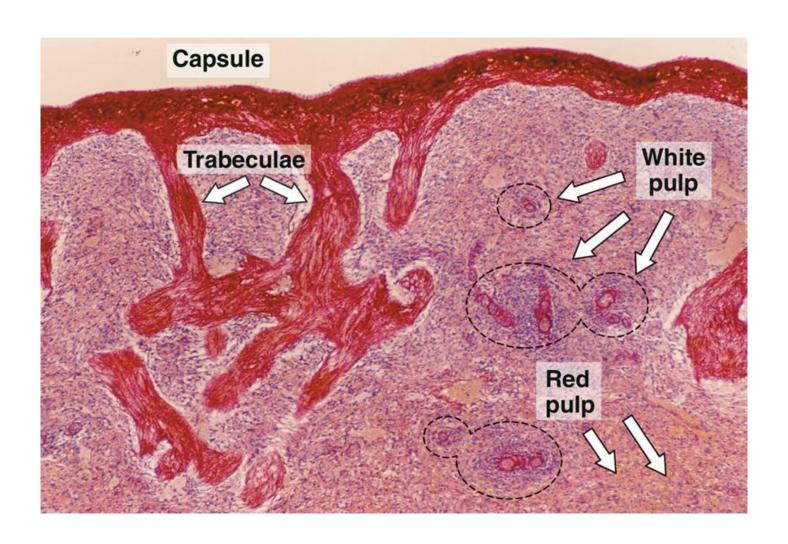




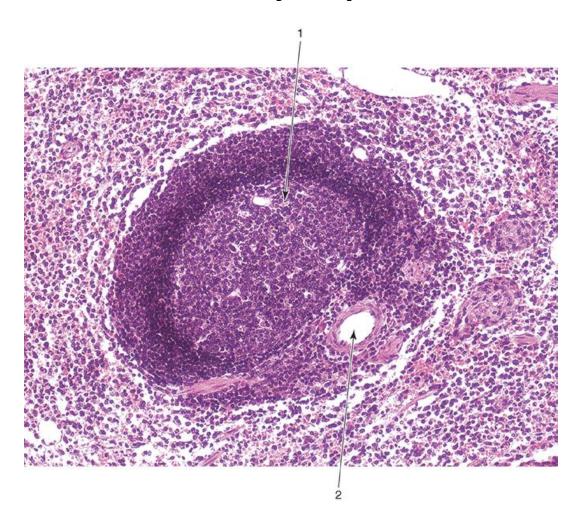






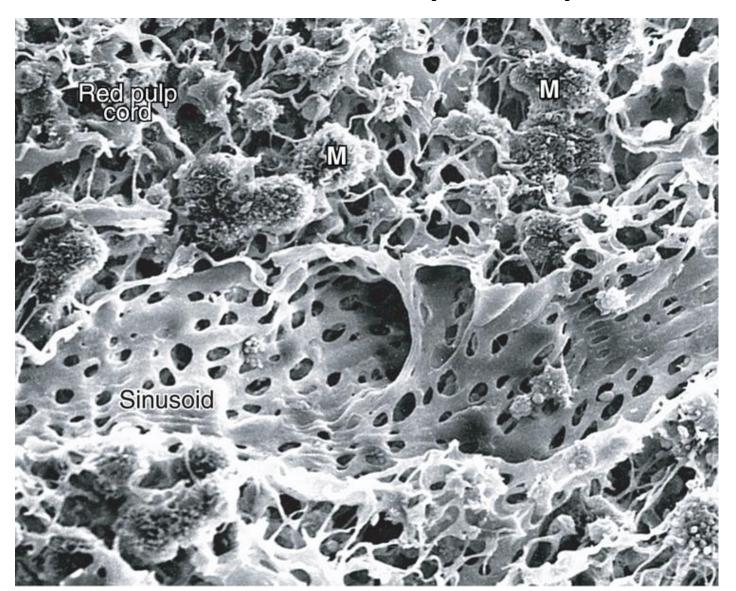


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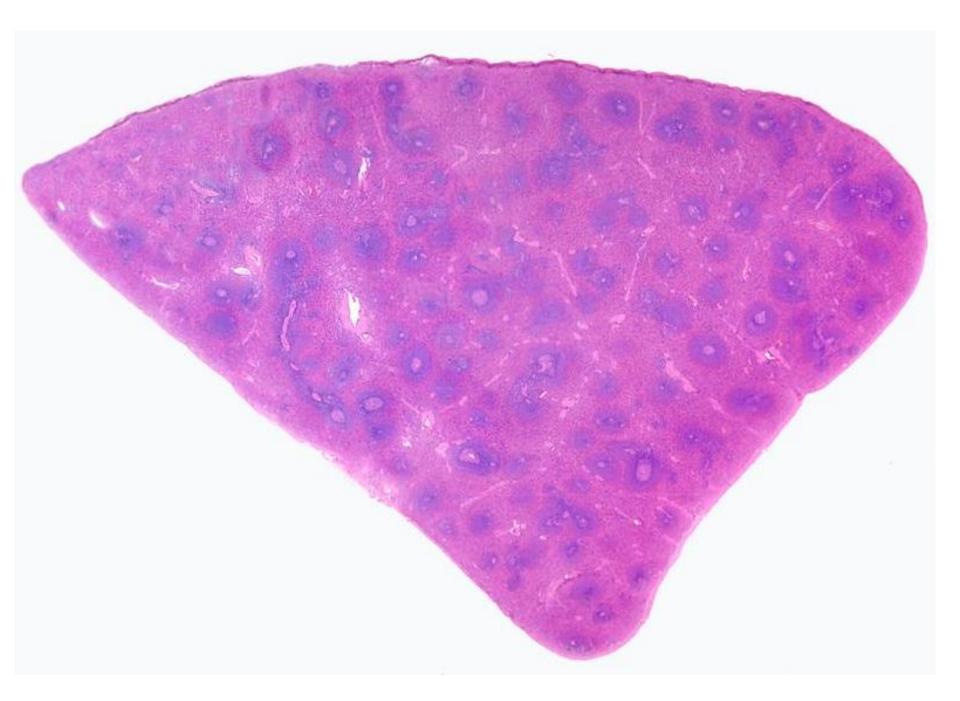
Germinative Center .1 Central artery .2

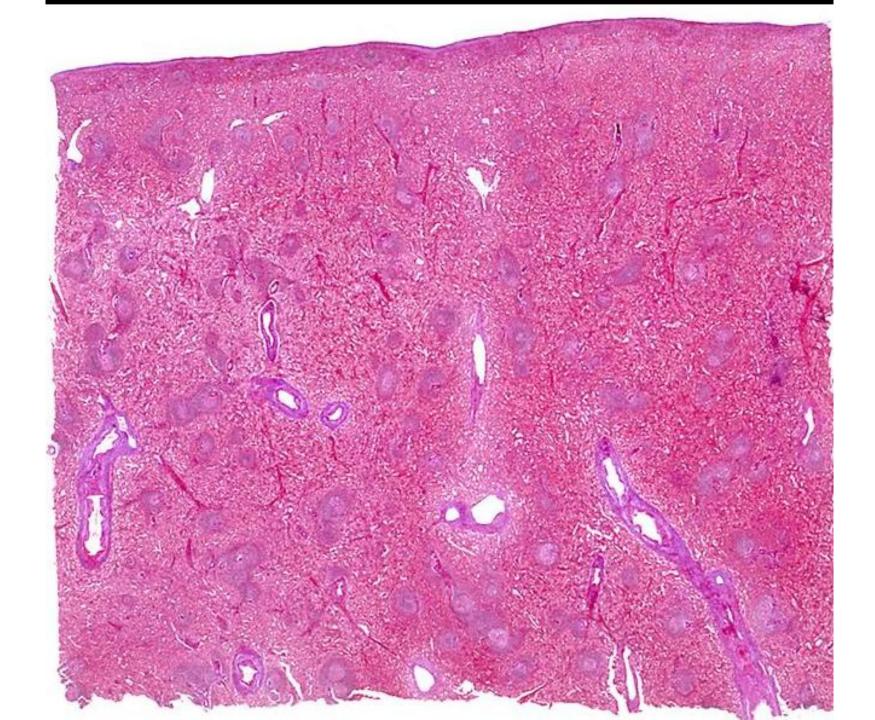
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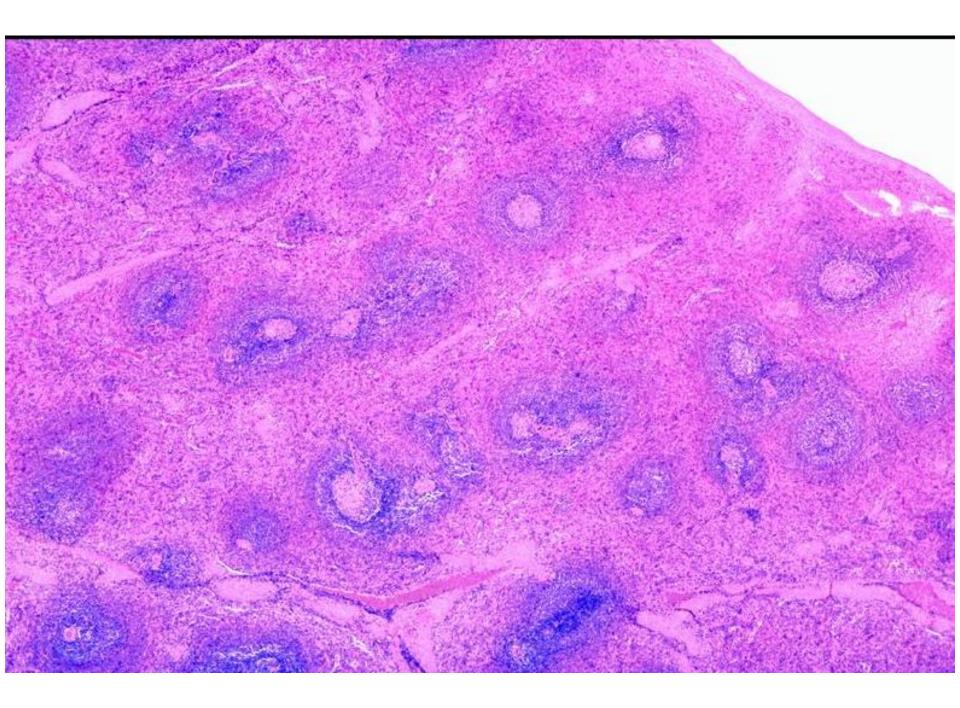


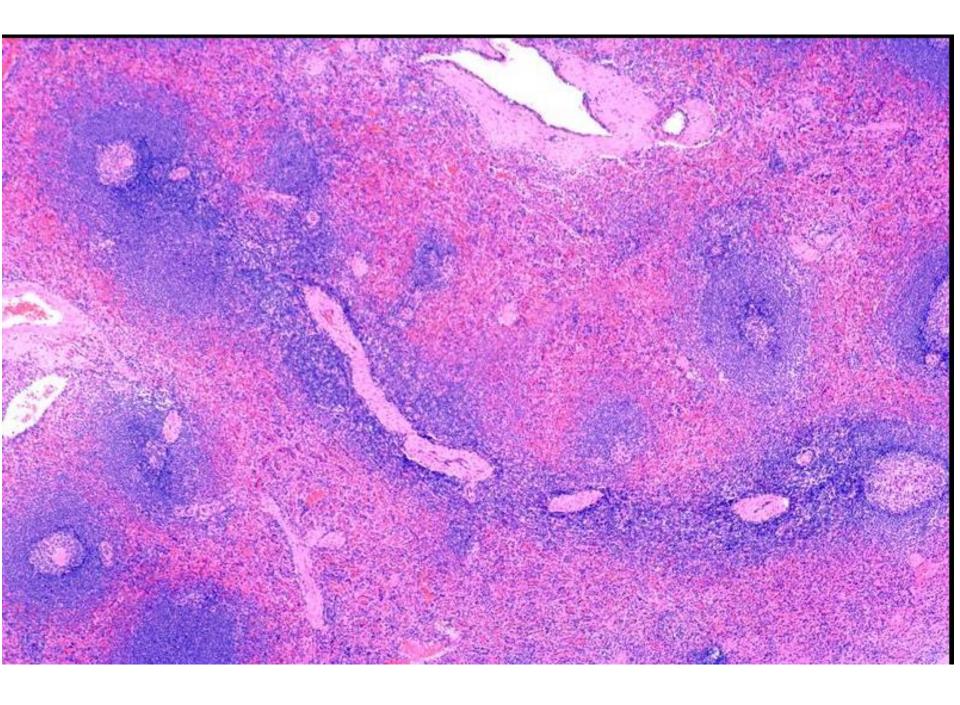
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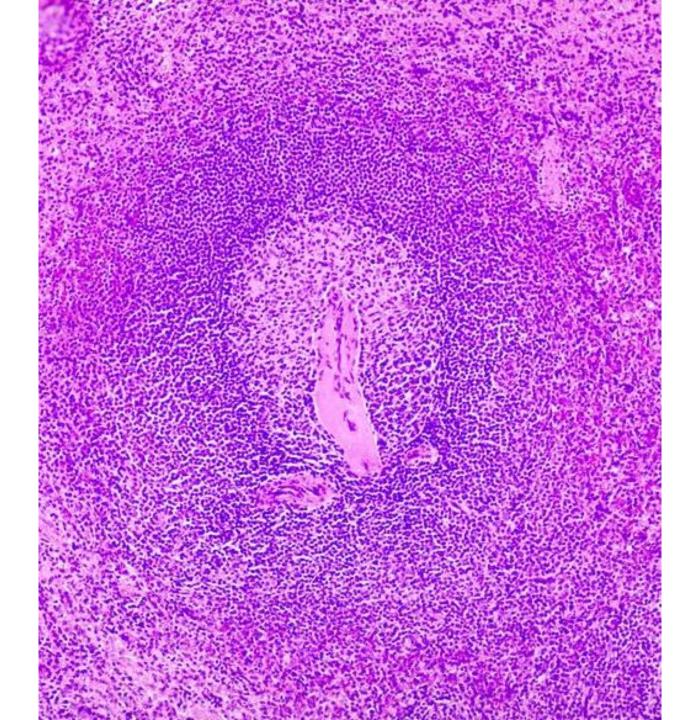
Fenestrated endothelium

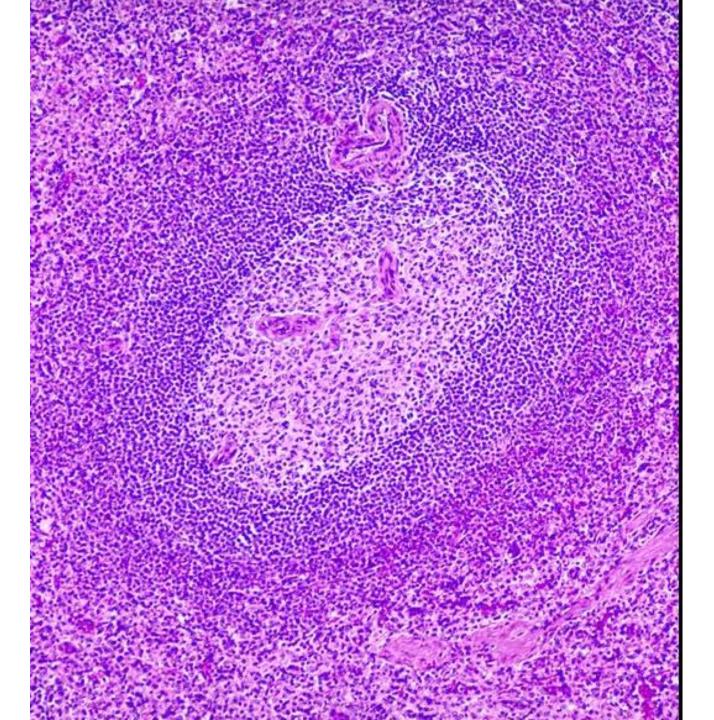


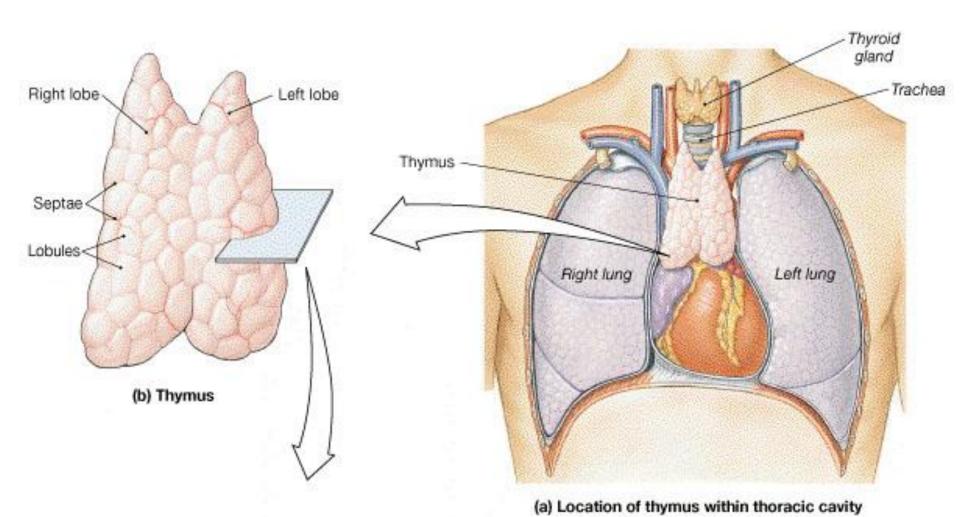


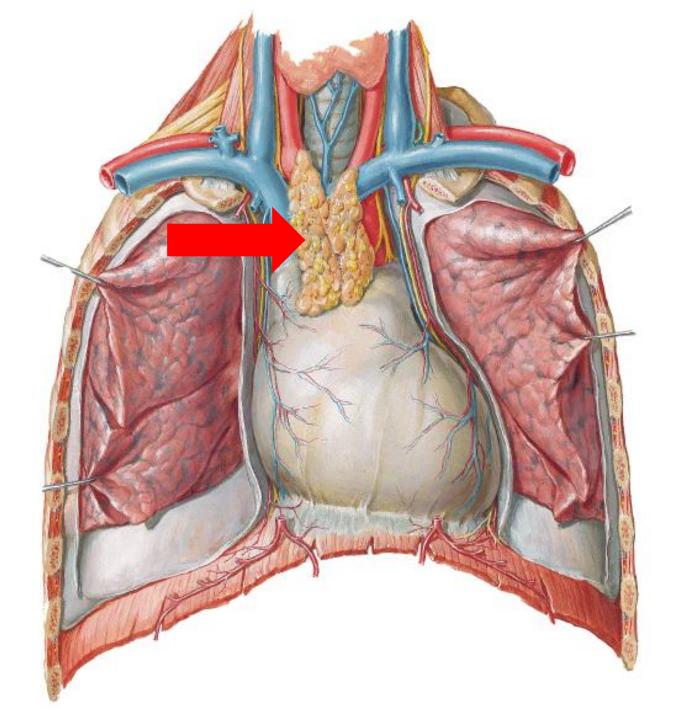






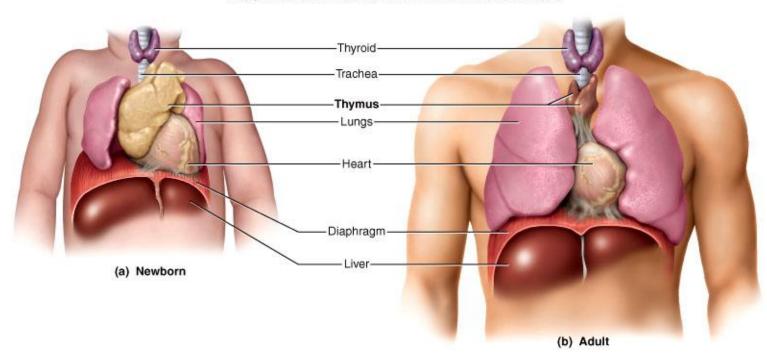


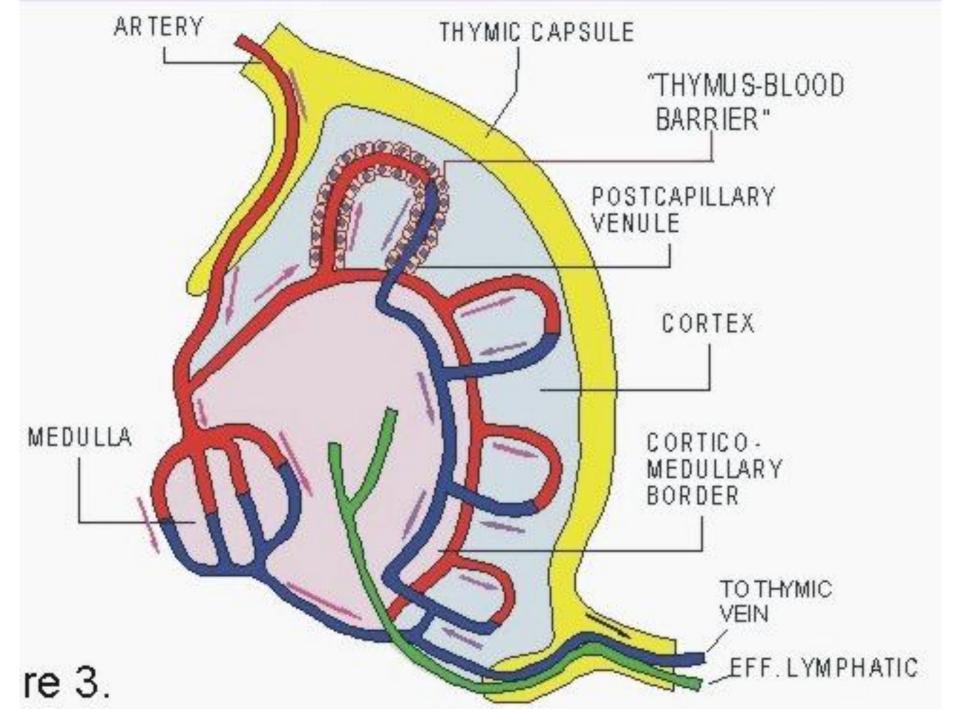




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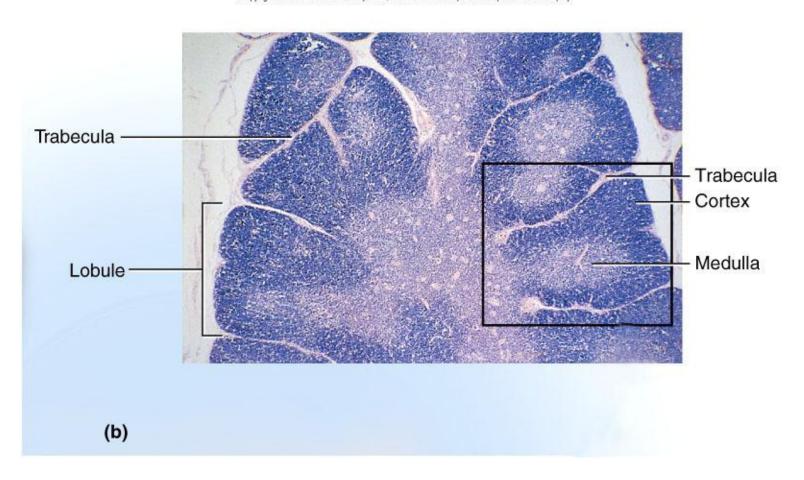
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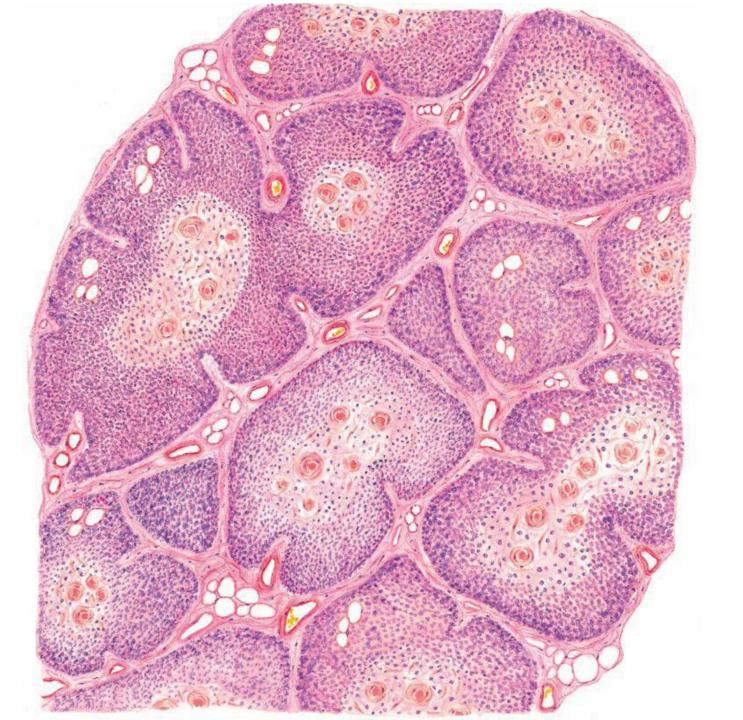


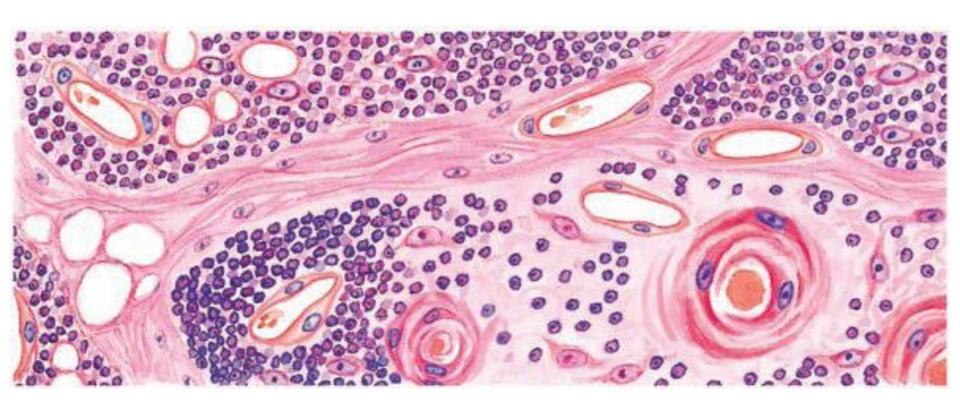


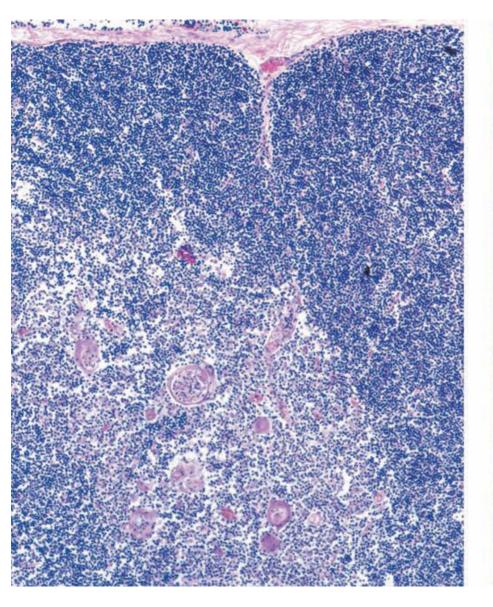
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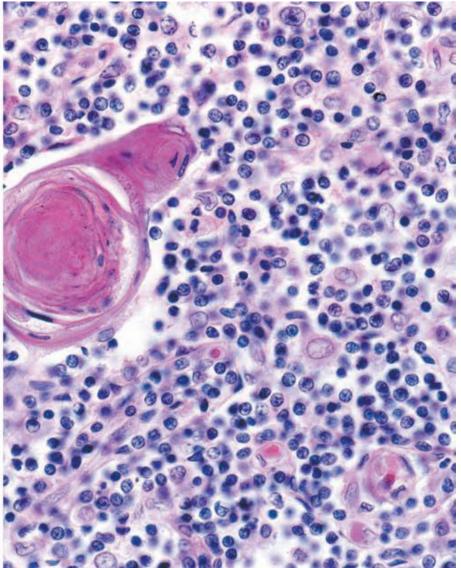
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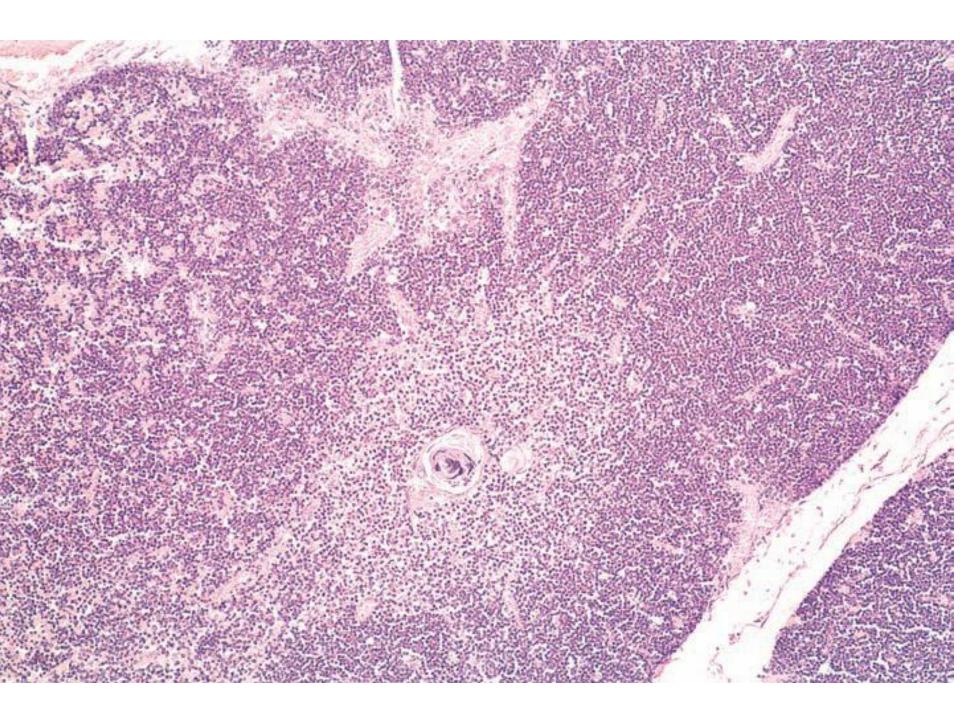


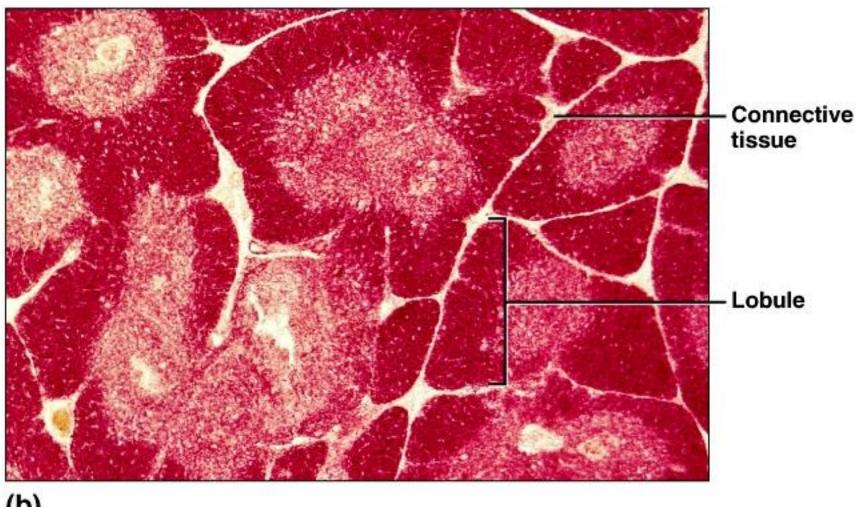












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