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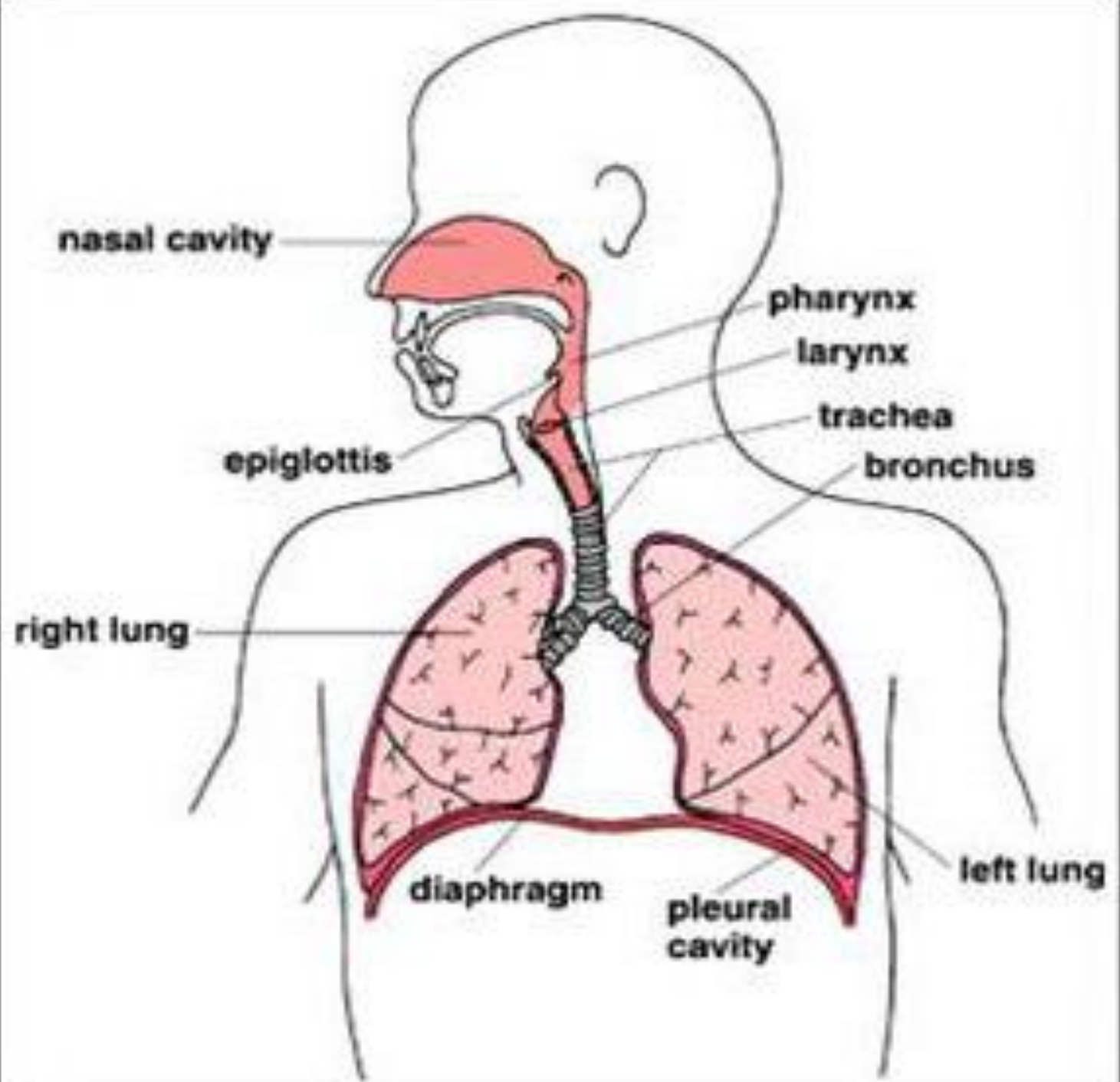
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# **Respiratory System**

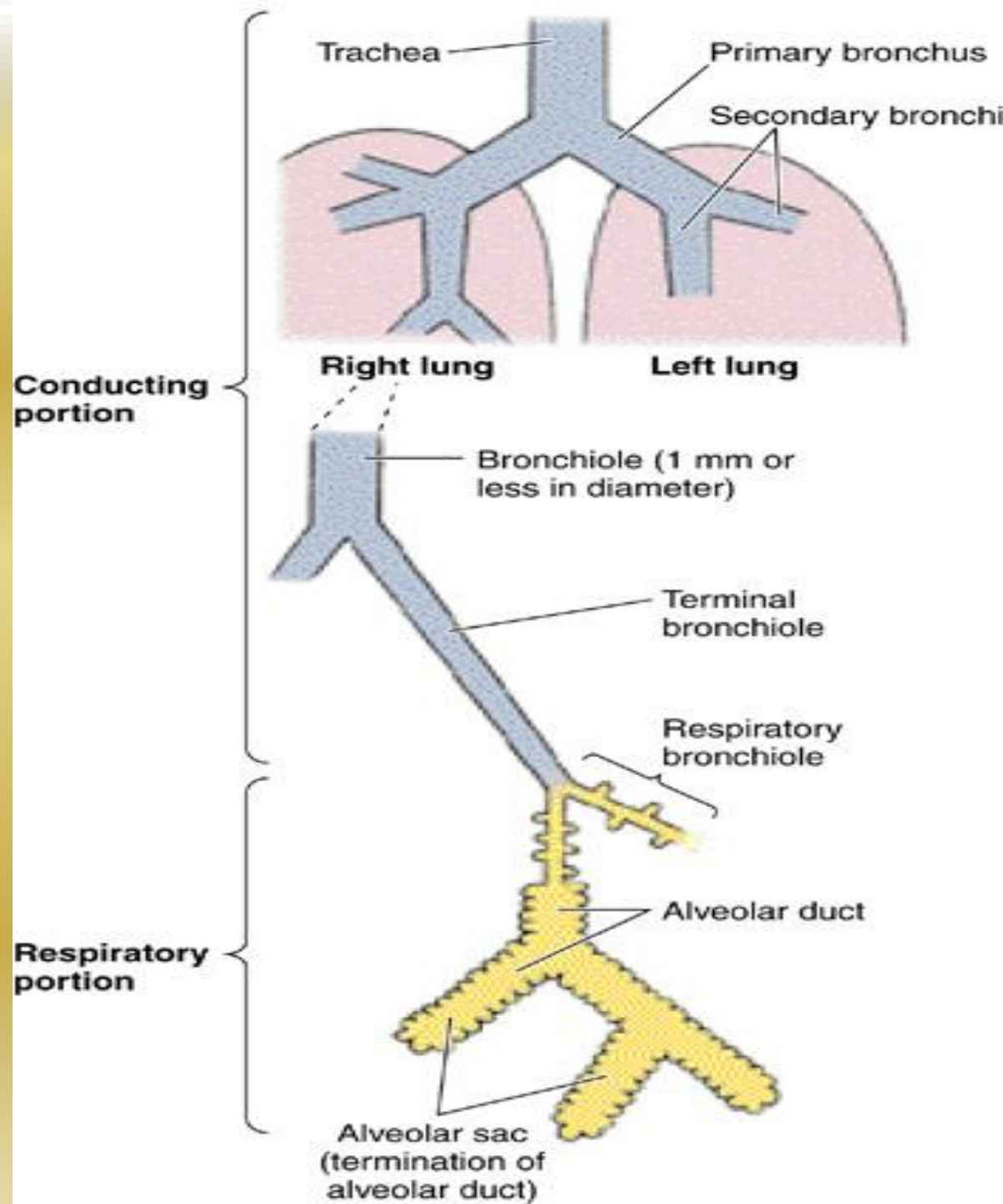
- This system is responsible for bring O<sub>2</sub> into the body and get rid carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) from the body.
- The air enters the body from nostrils then pass through nasal cavity to the pharynx, larynx, trachea, bronchi, bronchioles, then to the alveoli in the lungs.
- **Respiratory epithelium:** Respiratory tract lined with ciliated psuedostratified columnar epithelium that contains a rich population of goblet cells.



The respiratory system is divided into principle regions:

**1. Conducting portion** is consisting of the *nasal cavity, nasopharynx, larynx, trachea, bronchi, bronchioles, and terminal bronchioles.*

**2. respiratory portion** (where gas exchange take place) is consisting of *respiratory bronchioles, alveolar ducts and alveoli.*



# The Nose

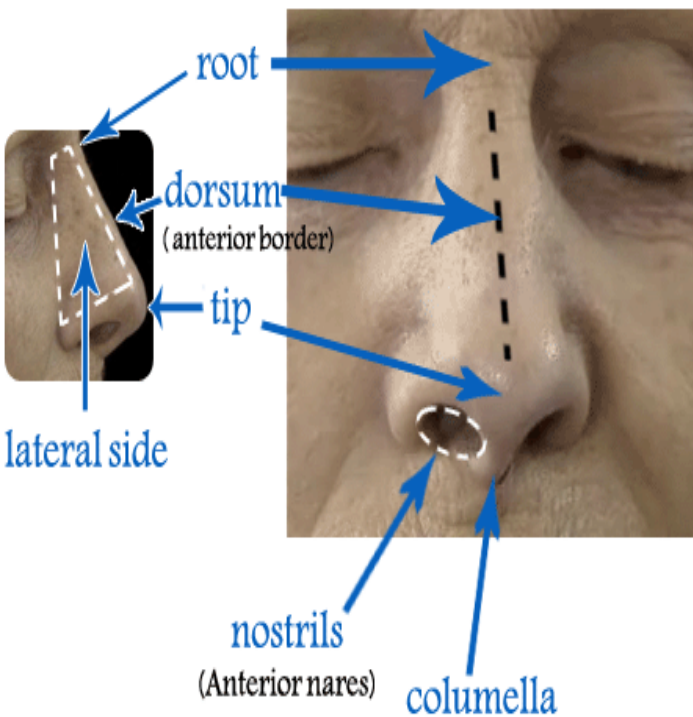
- The nasal cavity is divided into two chambers by nasal septum,
- The nasal septum forms the medial wall of the nasal chamber.
- The anterior part of nasal septum is composed from **cartilage**, and the posterior part composed from bone.
- The lateral wall of the nasal cavity contains three prominent elevations called **conchae** (superior concha, middle concha, and inferior concha). Therefore three air meatuses are formed for air passage, these are inferior, medial, and superior meatuses
- The inferior and middle conchae are lined by *respiratory epithelium*.
- The superior conchae are covered with specialized *olfactory epithelium (for smell= olfaction)*.
- **Olfactory epithelium** a specialized area of mucous membrane in the superior concha located in the roof of nasal cavity.

- The external nares (nastrils) are guarded by numerous sebaceous, and sweat glands and long hair to prevent large air borne particles like insect to get in.

- The nasal cavity is lined by mucous membrane. The mucous membrane secret serous fluid which moistened the inhaled air.

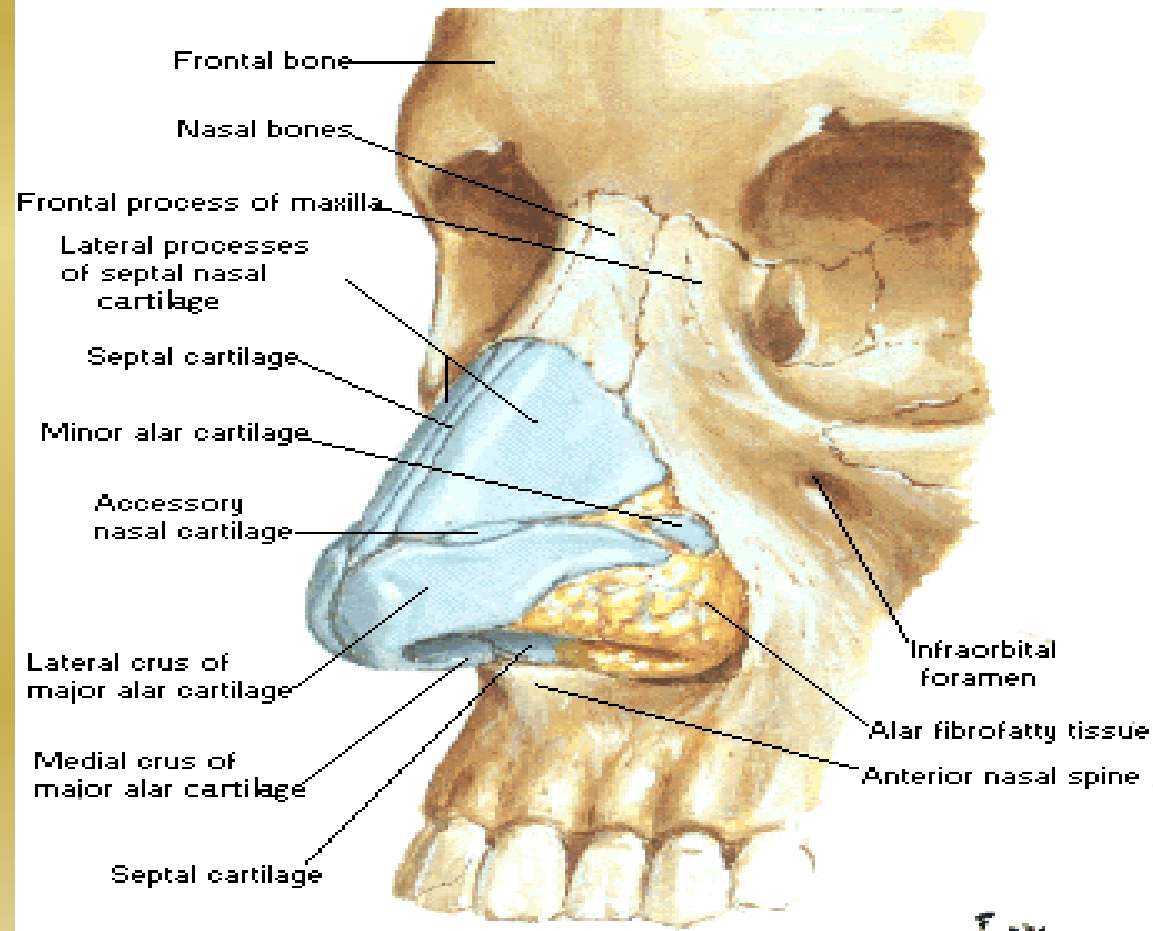
- Nasal cavity rich in blood which warm the air.

# External nose features



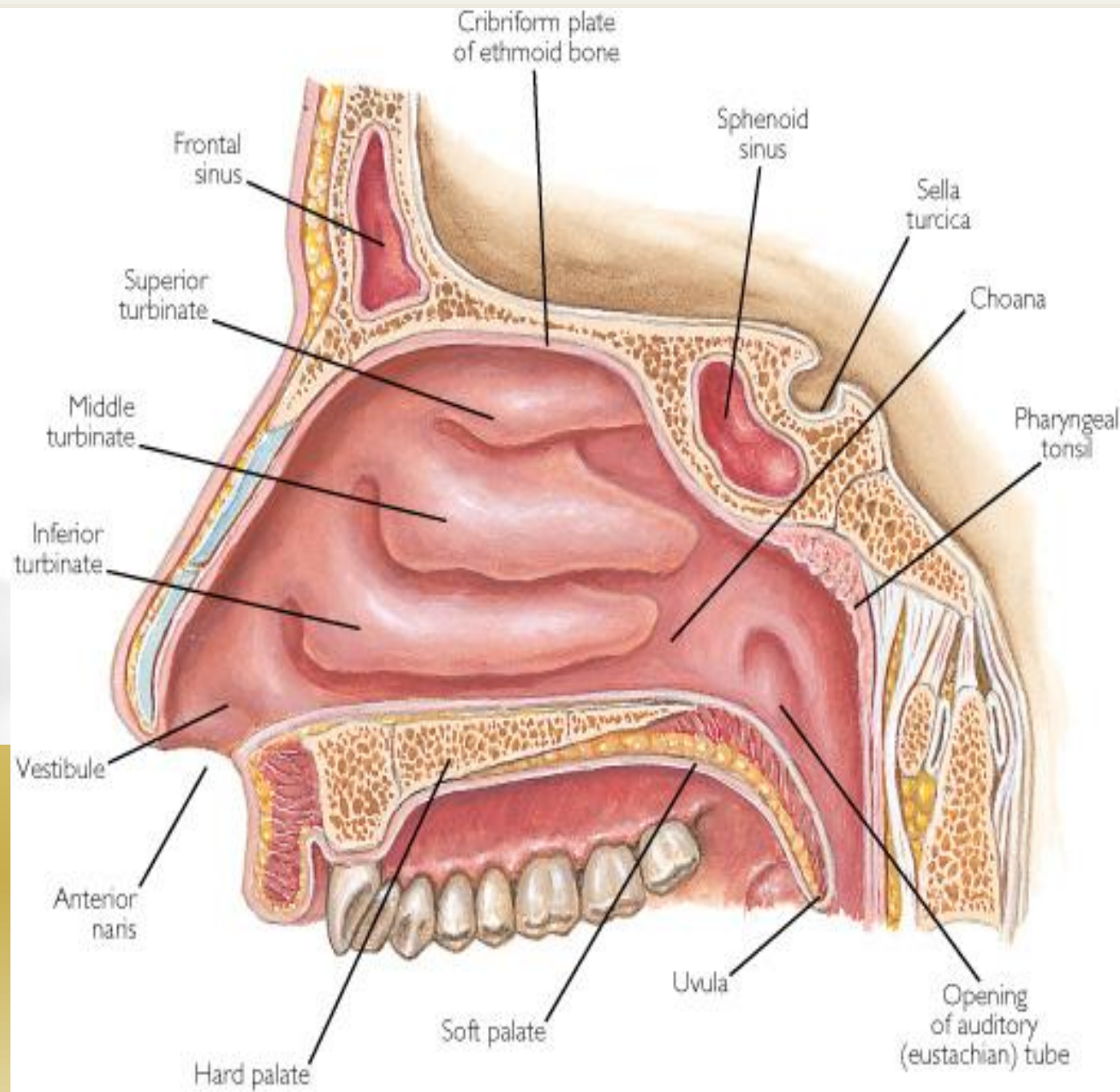
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# Nose [Skeleton] Anterolateral View



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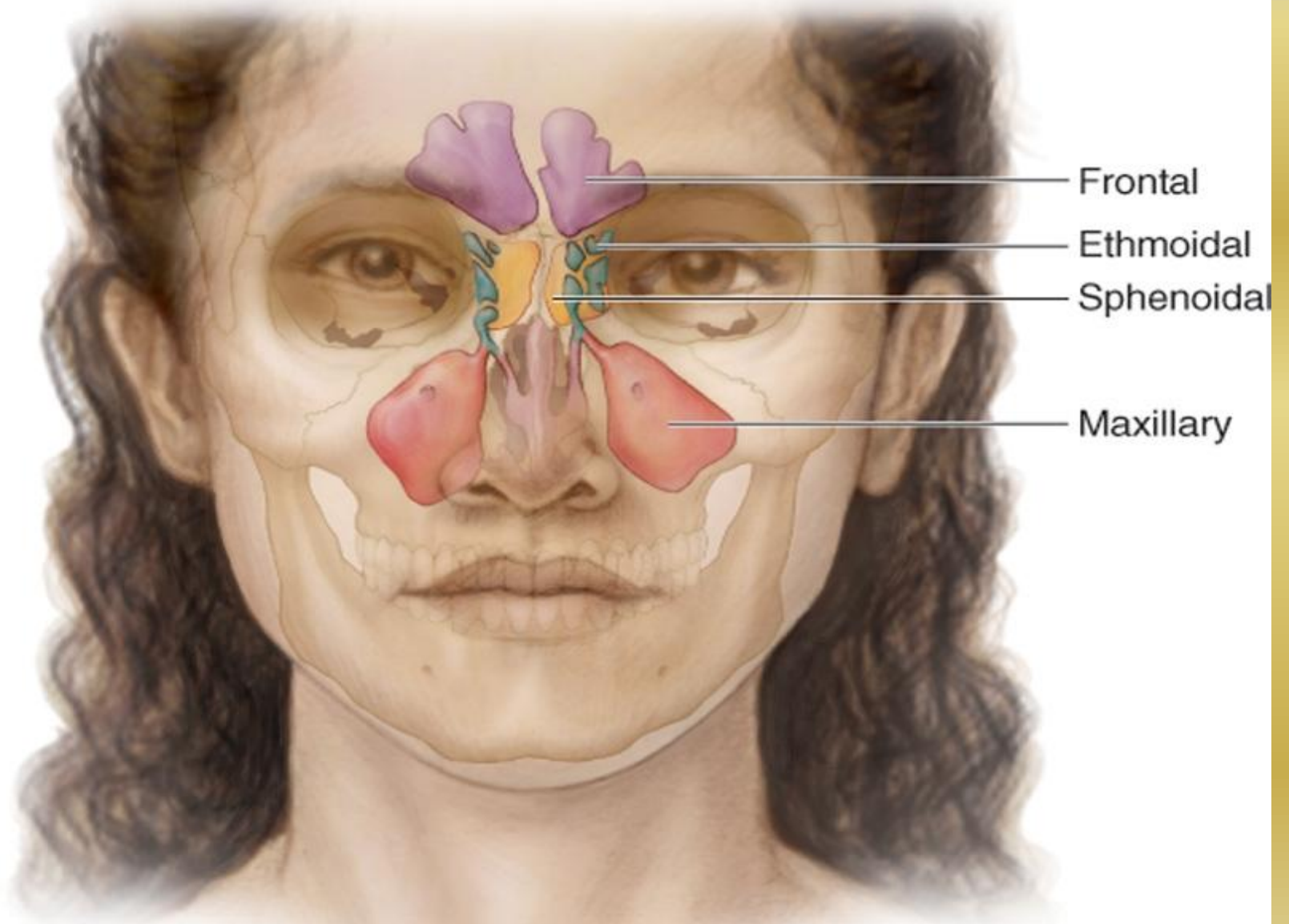


# Functions of the Nose

- form a resonating cavity for noise.
- It is an olfactory organ for sense order.
- It is a part of respiratory system (**it is function to filter, warm and moisten the inhaled air before reaches to the lungs).**

# Paranasal Sinuses (Air filled cavities)

- Sinuses are cavities in the skull.
- These sinus present in the **frontal bone** (called *frontal sinus*), **ethmoid bone** (called *ethmoidal sinus*), **sphenoid bone** (called *sphenoidal sinus*), **maxillary bone** (called *maxillary sinus*).
- They are lined with a **thinner respiratory epithelium** that contains few *goblet cells*. And the *lammina propria* contains only small glands.
- The paranasal sinuses communicate with the nasal cavity through small opening.
- Other opening in the nasal cavity is **lacrimal opening**.



# Functions of paranasal sinuses

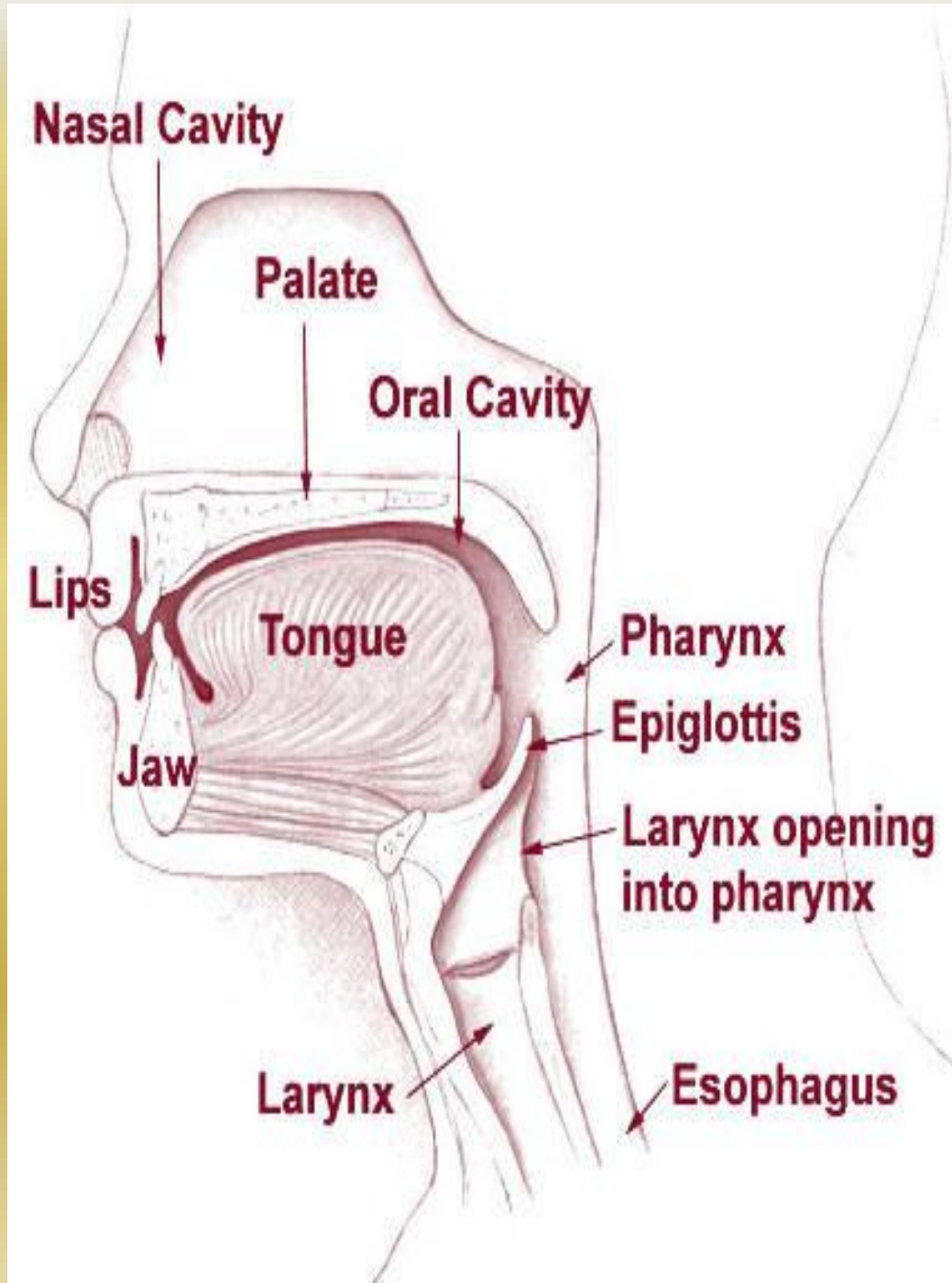
- Lighten weight of skull.
- Sound resonance.

# pharynx

Posterior to the nasal cavity there is pharynx (*nasopharynx* which continuing caudally with *oropharynx* and then *laryngeopharynx*).

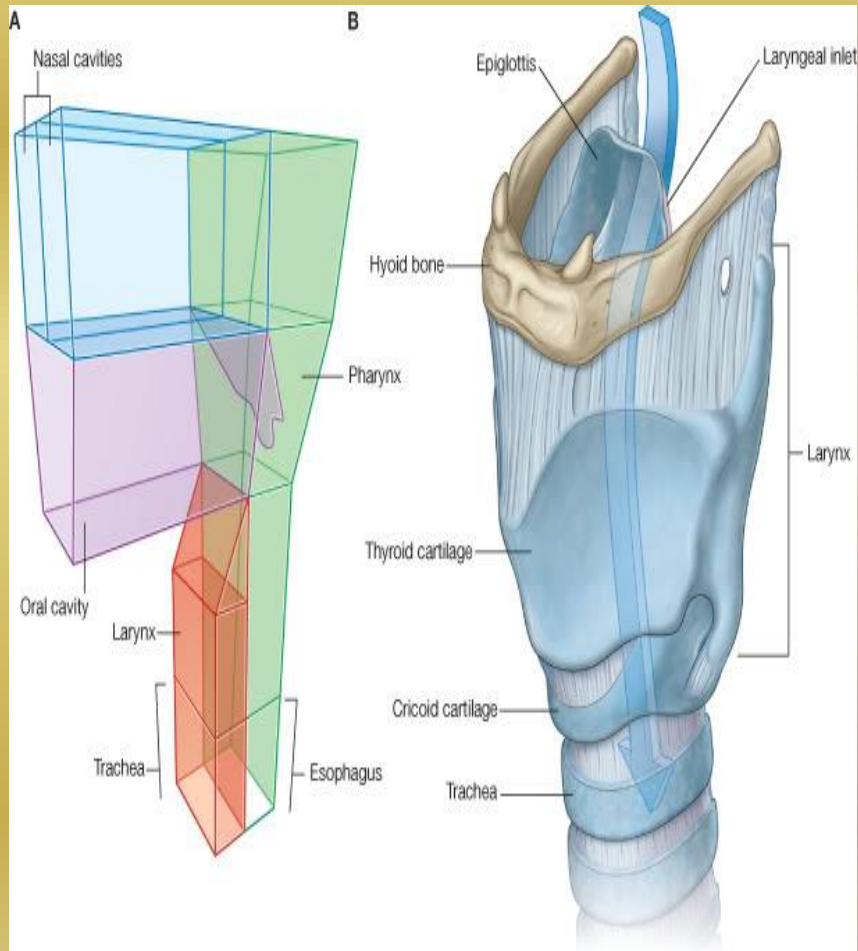
## Function:

1. Air passage between nasal cavity and larynx.
2. Passage way for swallowed food and drink between oral cavity and esophagus.

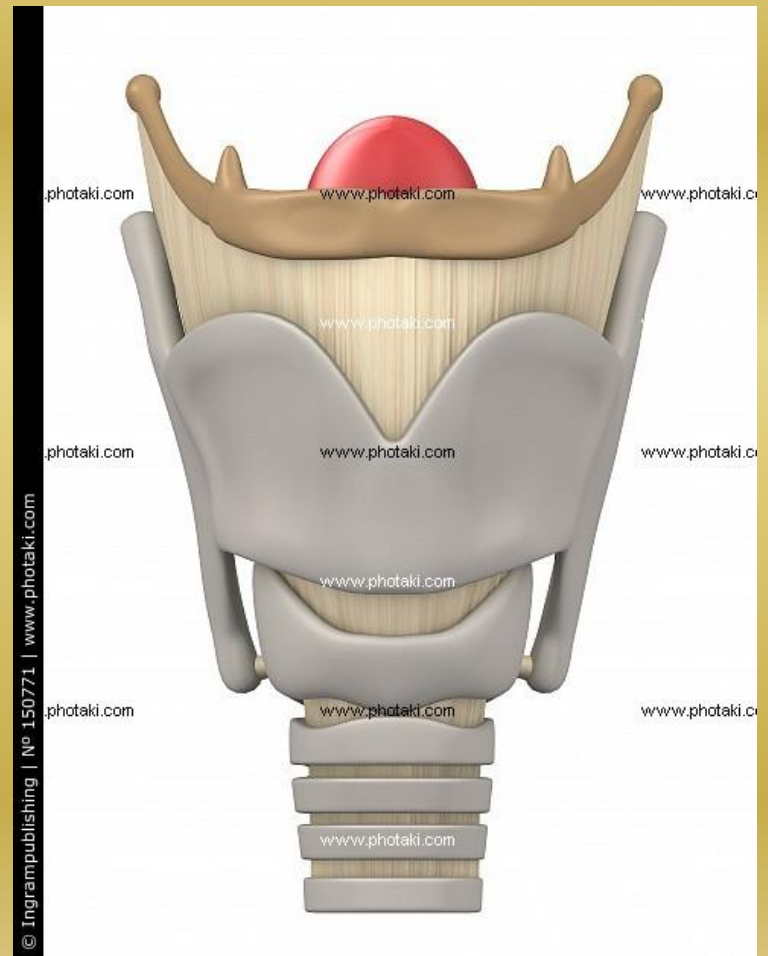


# Larynx

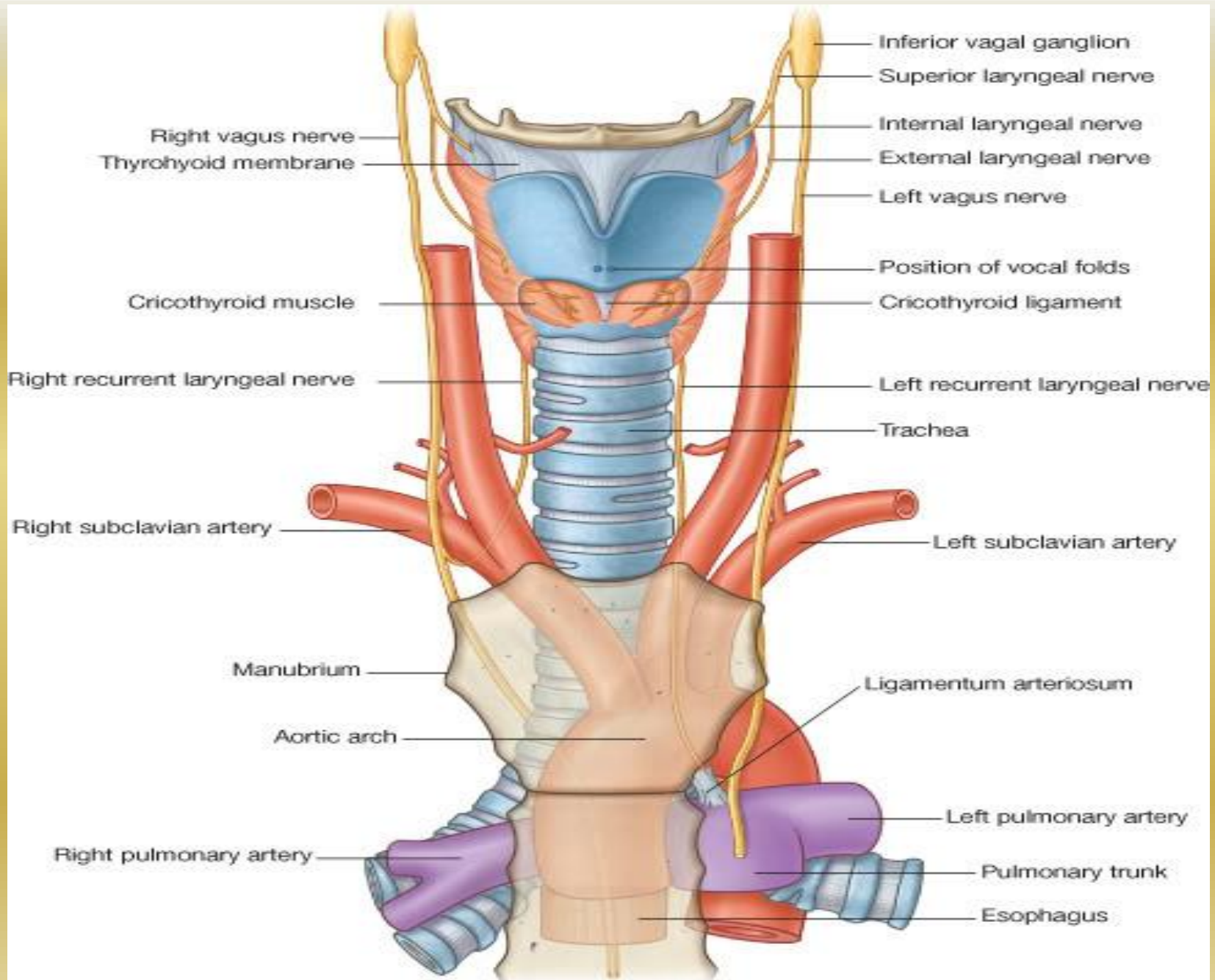
- It is irregular tube that connect the pharynx with trachea.
- It is also called voice box because it contains **vocal cords**.
- The structure of the larynx is mainly composed from **cartilages** and also **muscles** and **ligaments**.
- There are nine cartilages in the larynx
  - *Thyroid cartilages* (pair) called Adam's apple
  - *Artynoid cartilages* (pair)
  - *Cricoid* (single)
  - *Epiglottis* (single)
  - *Coneiform*
  - *Corniculate*
- **Epiglottis** projects from rim of the larynx extends into the pharynx.
- Below the epiglottis, the mucosa forms 2 pairs of folds that extend into the lumen of the pharynx.

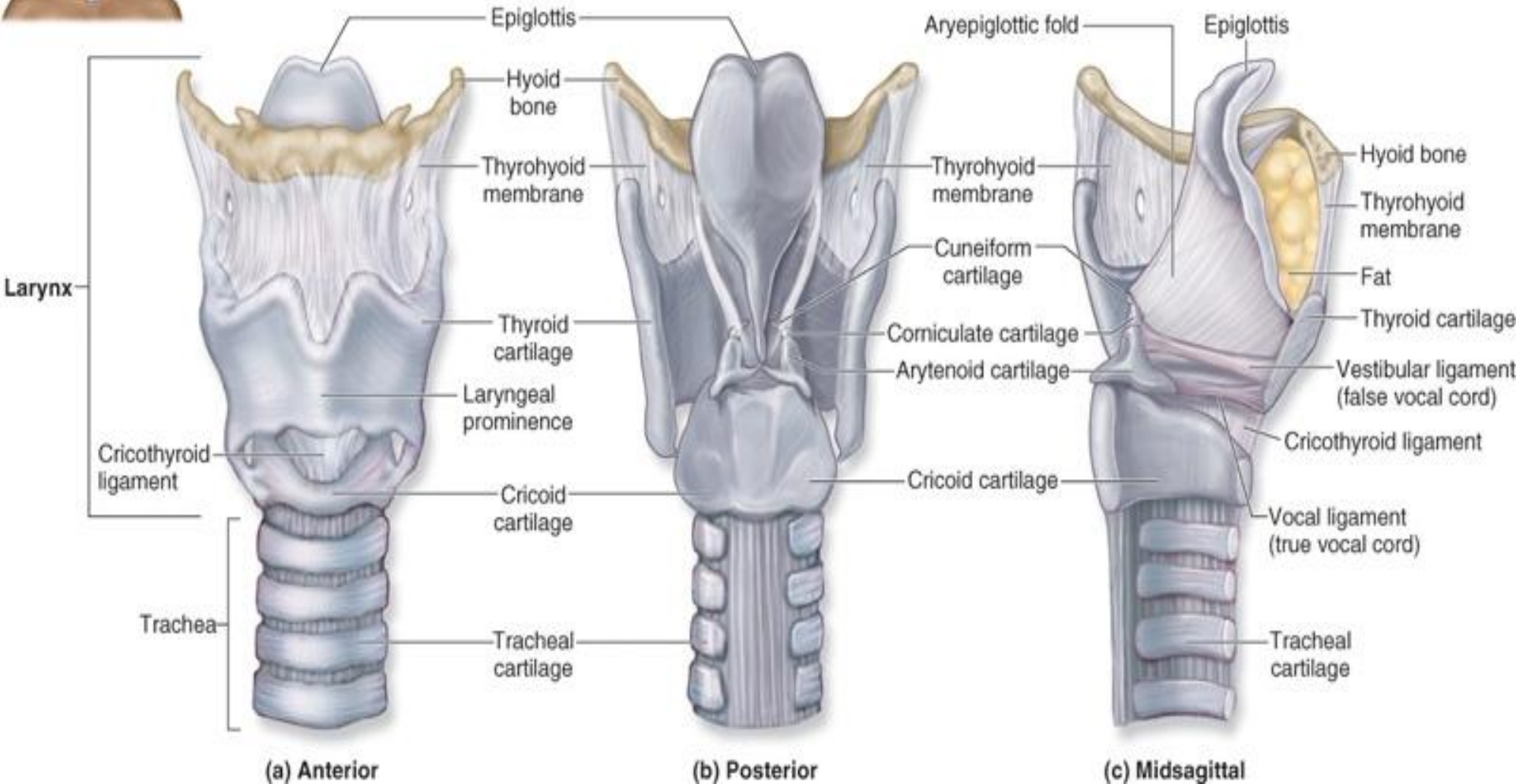


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# Functions of larynx

- Produce sound because it contains the vocal cords.
- Prevent food from entering the trachea.
- It passes air to the trachea.

## Vocal cords

- Vocal cords are folds of tissue, there are two types of vocal cords, true vocal cords and false vocal cords.
- True vocal cords make sound but false vocal cords don't make sound.

Right

Back of Neck

Left



TVC

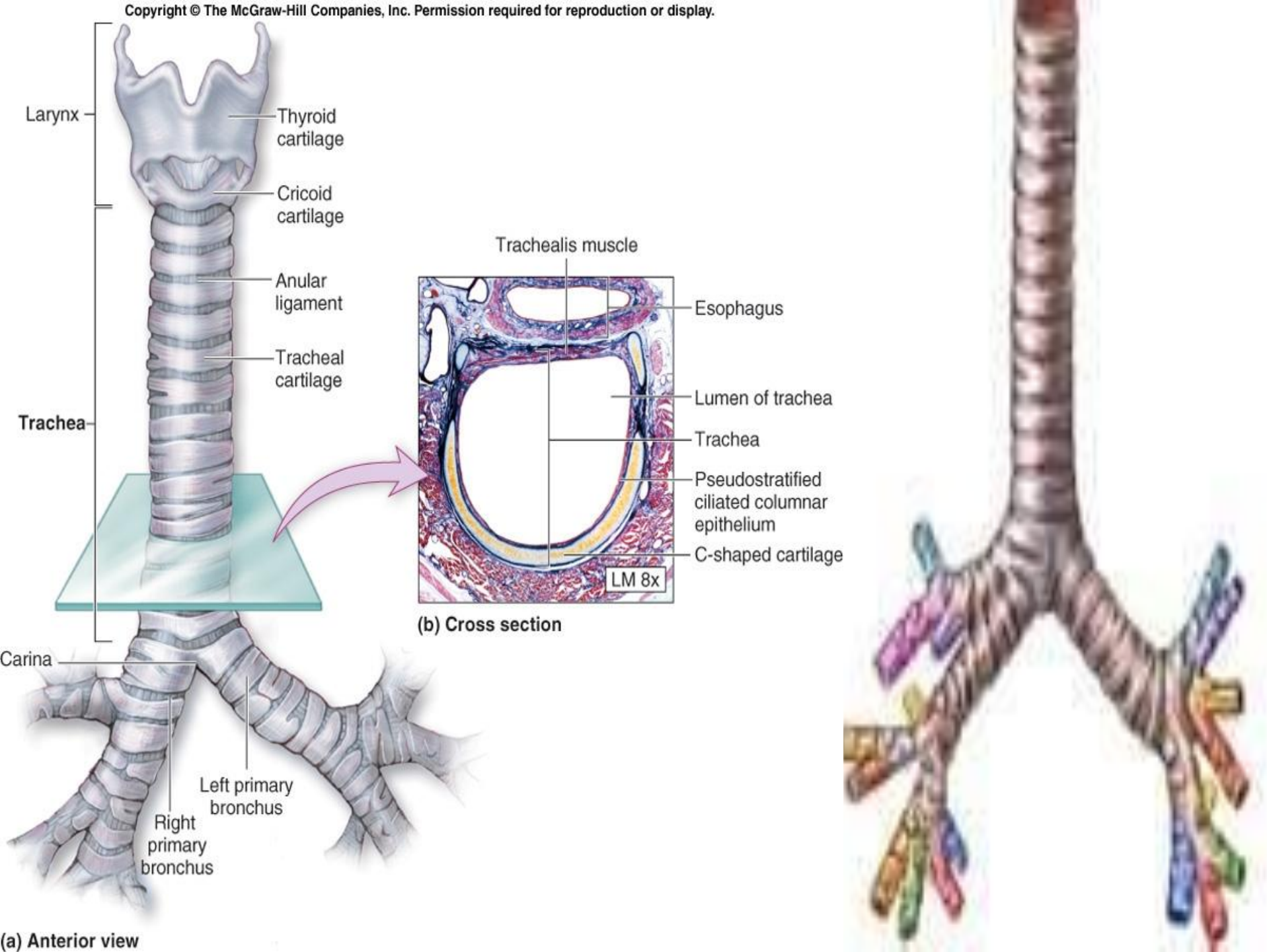
ABducted or Vocal Cords Apart

ADducted or Vocal Cords Together

Front of Throat

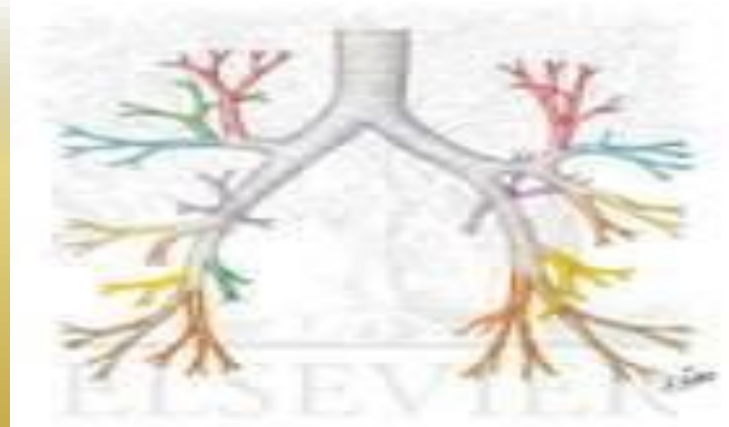
# Trachea

- The trachea (windpipe) is lined with a typical *respiratory mucosa*.
- In the lamina propria are (16-20) C-shaped rings cartilage that keep the tracheal lumen open and numerous *seromucous glands* that produce a more fluid mucus.



# Bronchial Tree

- The trachea divided into *two primary bronchi* that enter the lungs at the hilum.
- At each hilum, arteries are enter and veins and lymphatic vessels leave.
- After entering the lungs the *bronchi giving rise to 3 bronchi in the right lung, and 2 bronchi in the left lung each of which supplies a pulmonary lobe.*
- These lobe bronchi divide repeatedly giving rise to smaller bronchi
- The terminal branches are called bronchioles.
- Each bronchiole branches to form 5-7 terminal bronchioles.





- **Bronchi** are lined with respiratory mucosa. And the walls contain cartilage and smooth muscle.

- **Bronchioles** is composed largely smooth muscle and elastic fibers and there is no cartilage.

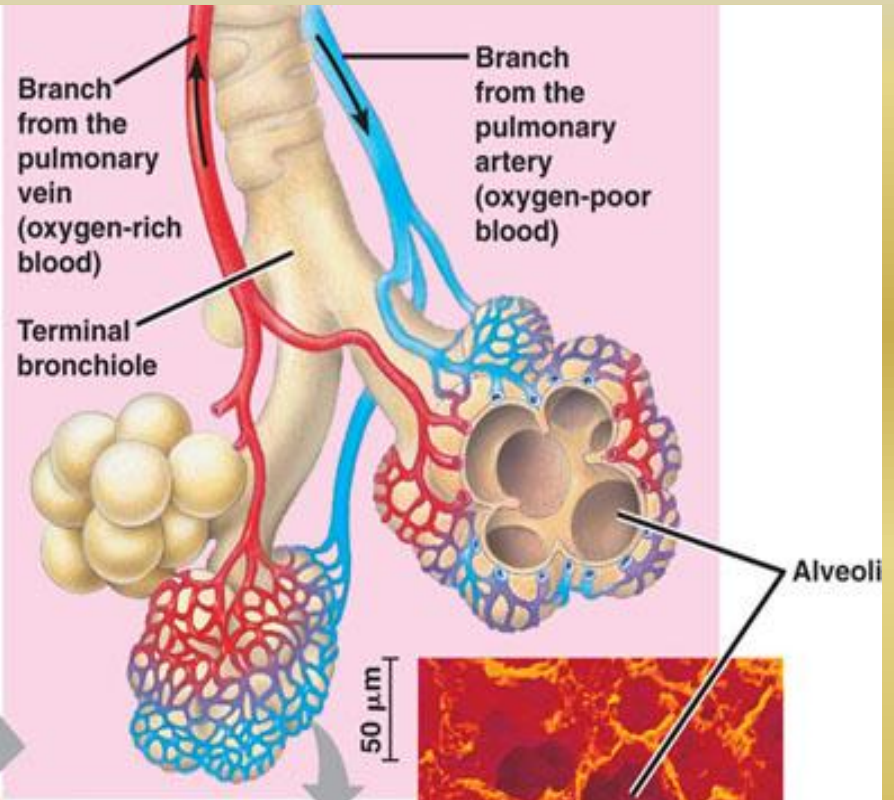
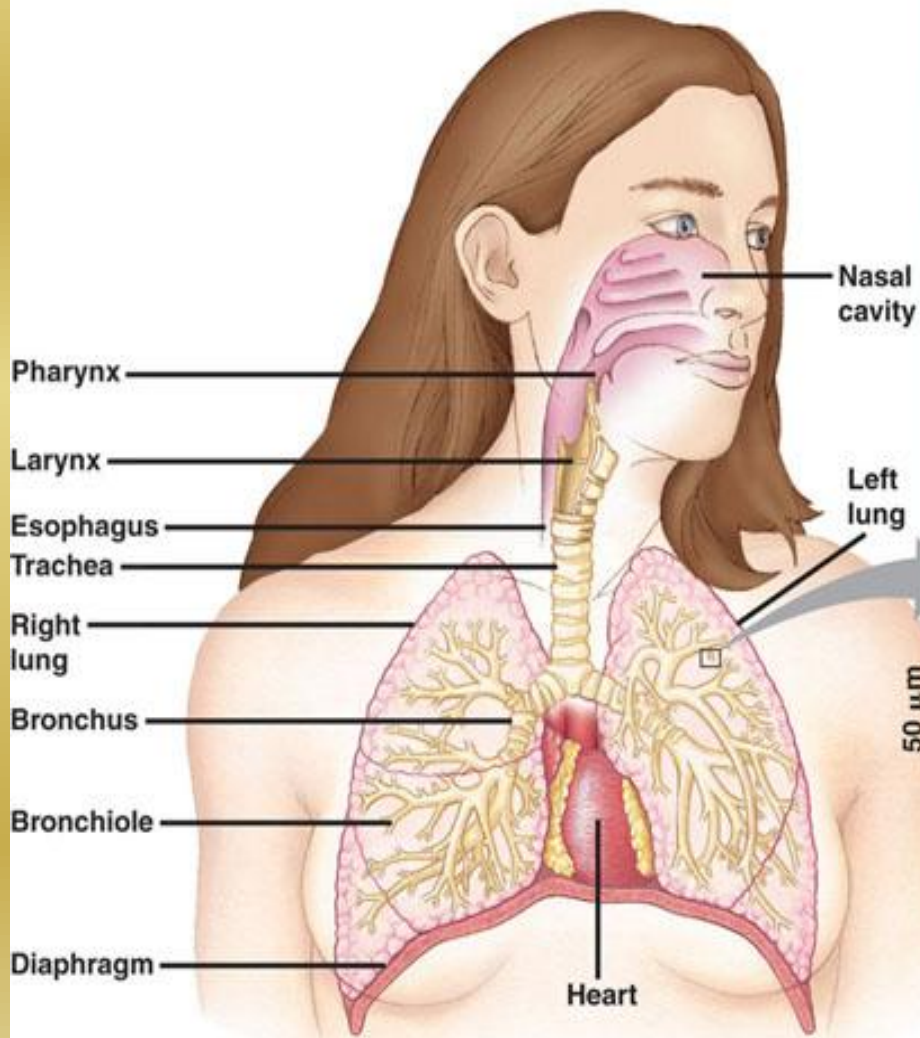
- **Terminal bronchioles** subdivides into 2 or more **respiratory bronchioles**.

- **Alveolar ducts** and **then alveoli**.

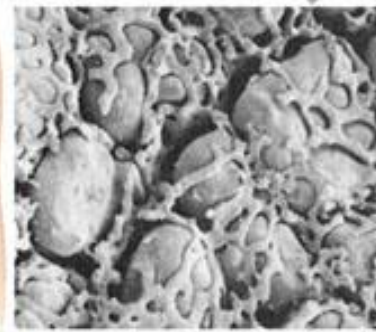
- Both alveolar ducts and alveoli are lined by squamous epithelial cells and have elastic and reticular fibers within lamina propria of their walls.

- **Alveoli** are specialized sac like structures that make up the greater part of the lungs.

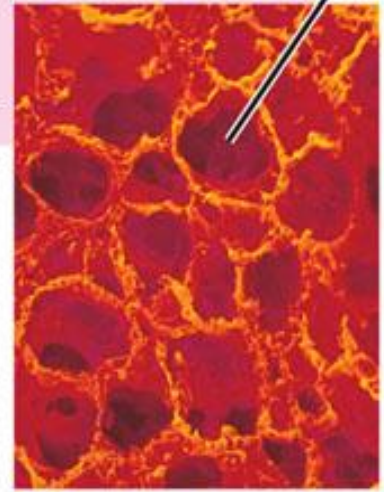
- Alveoli are the main sites for the principle function of the lungs (the exchange of O<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> between inspired air and blood).



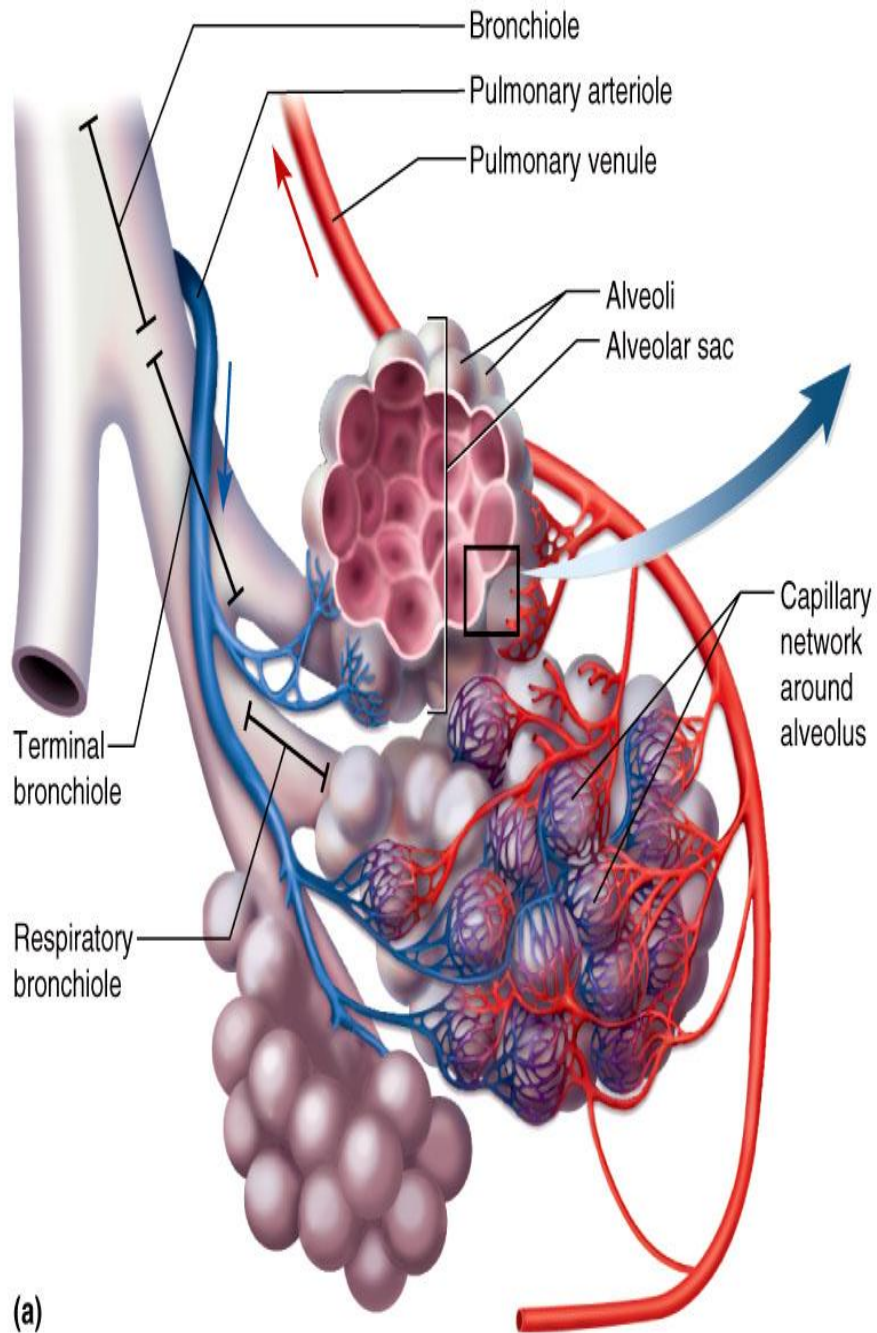
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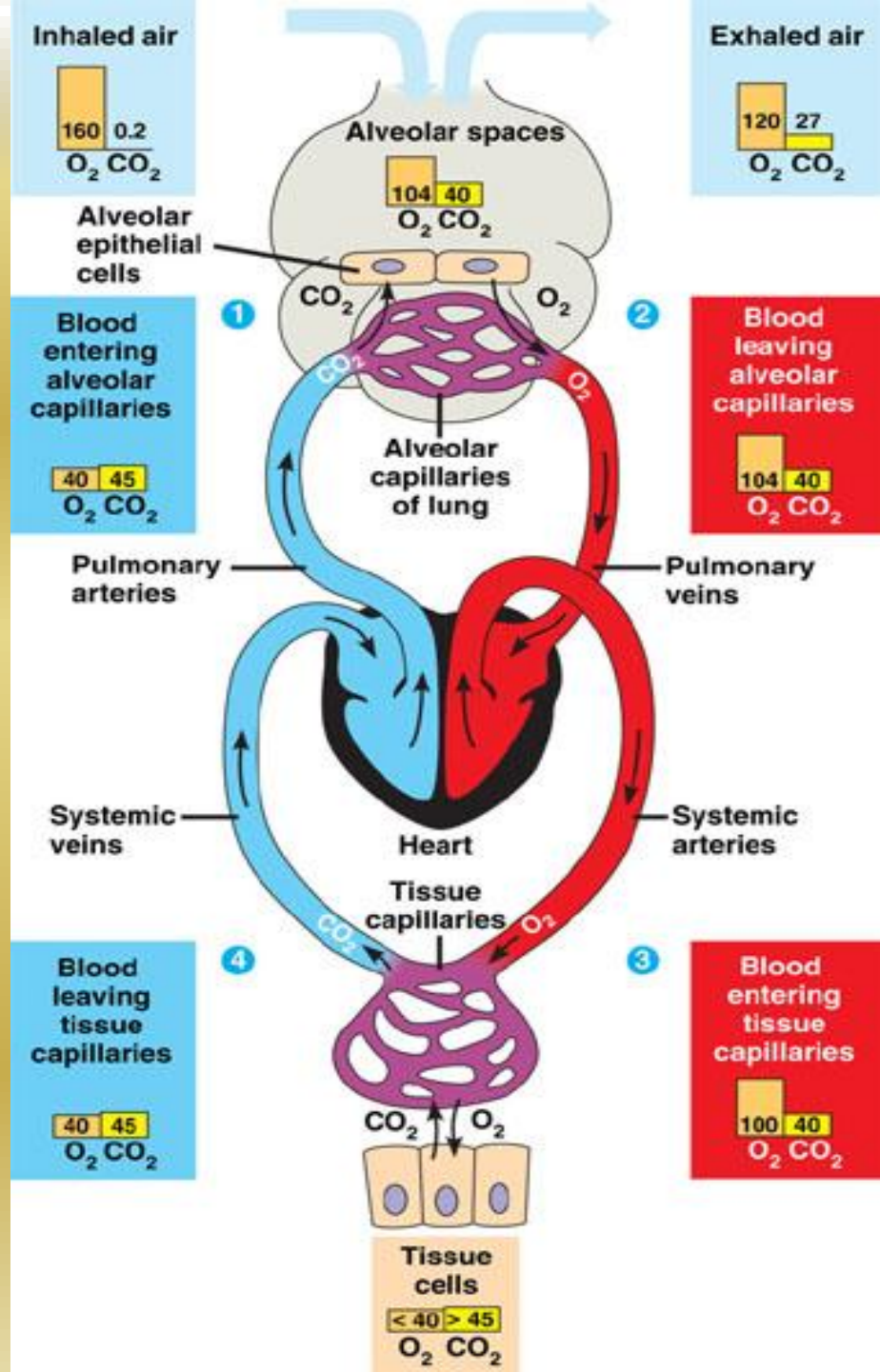
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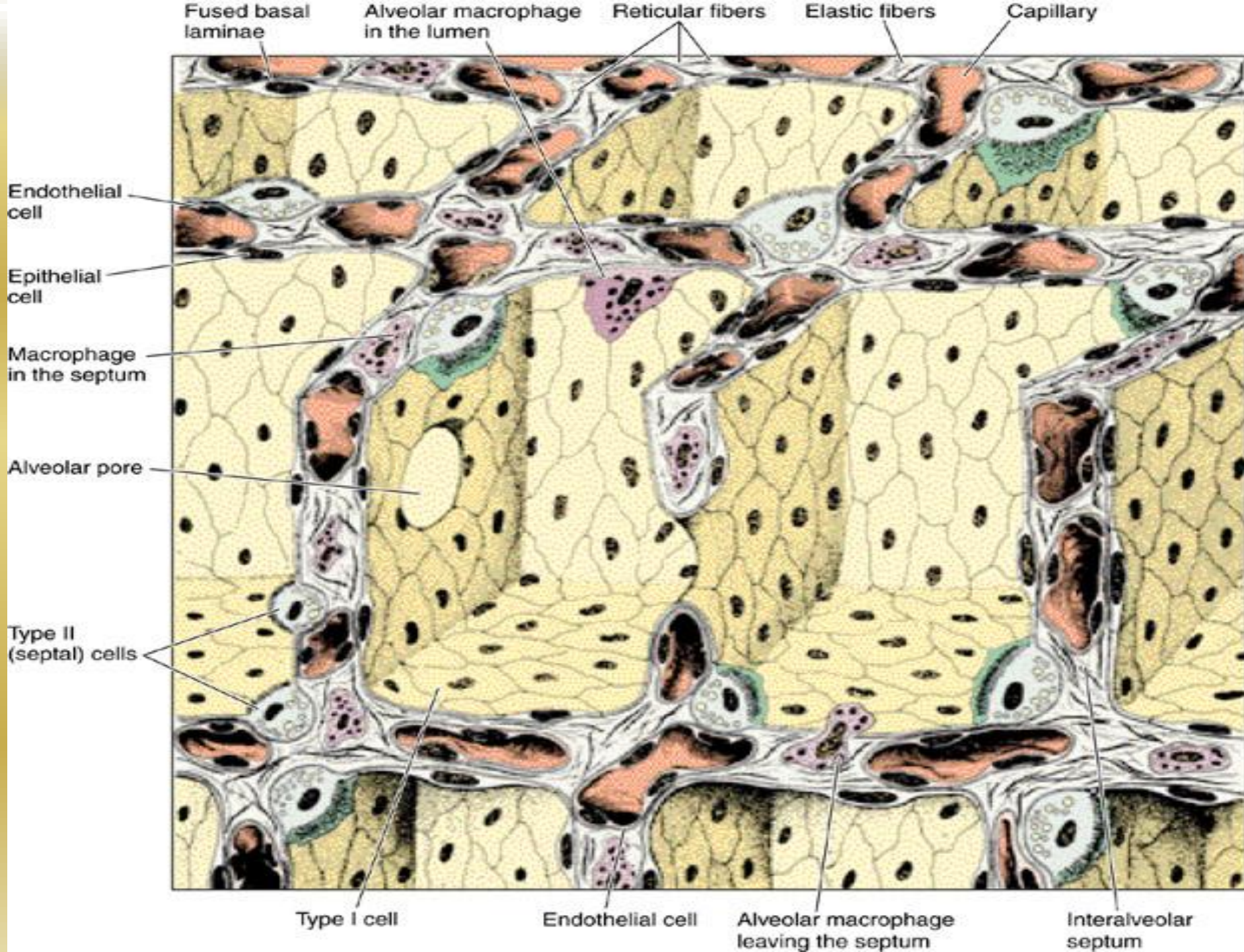


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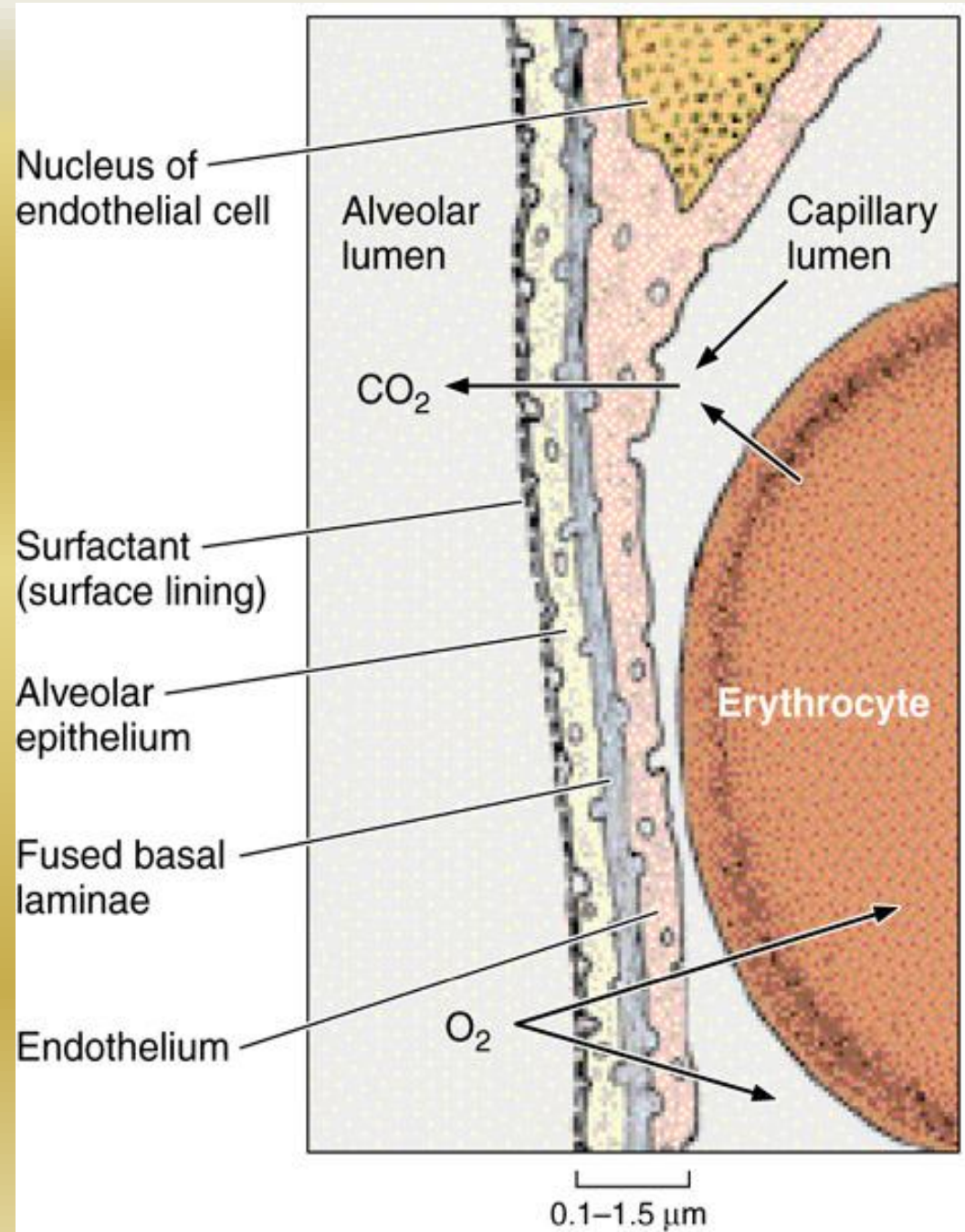


# Respiratory membrane

- Thin wall between the inhaled gases within the alveolar lumen and blood capillaries consists of:
  - Alveolar epithelium (squamous cell).
  - Endothelial cells of capillaries.
  - Fused basement membrane.



Portion of the interalveolar septum showing the blood-air barrier. To reach the erythrocyte, O<sub>2</sub> traverses the surface lining, the alveolar epithelium cytoplasm, and the plasma. In some locations, there is loose interstitial tissue between the epithelium and the endothelium.



# Lungs and pleural membrane

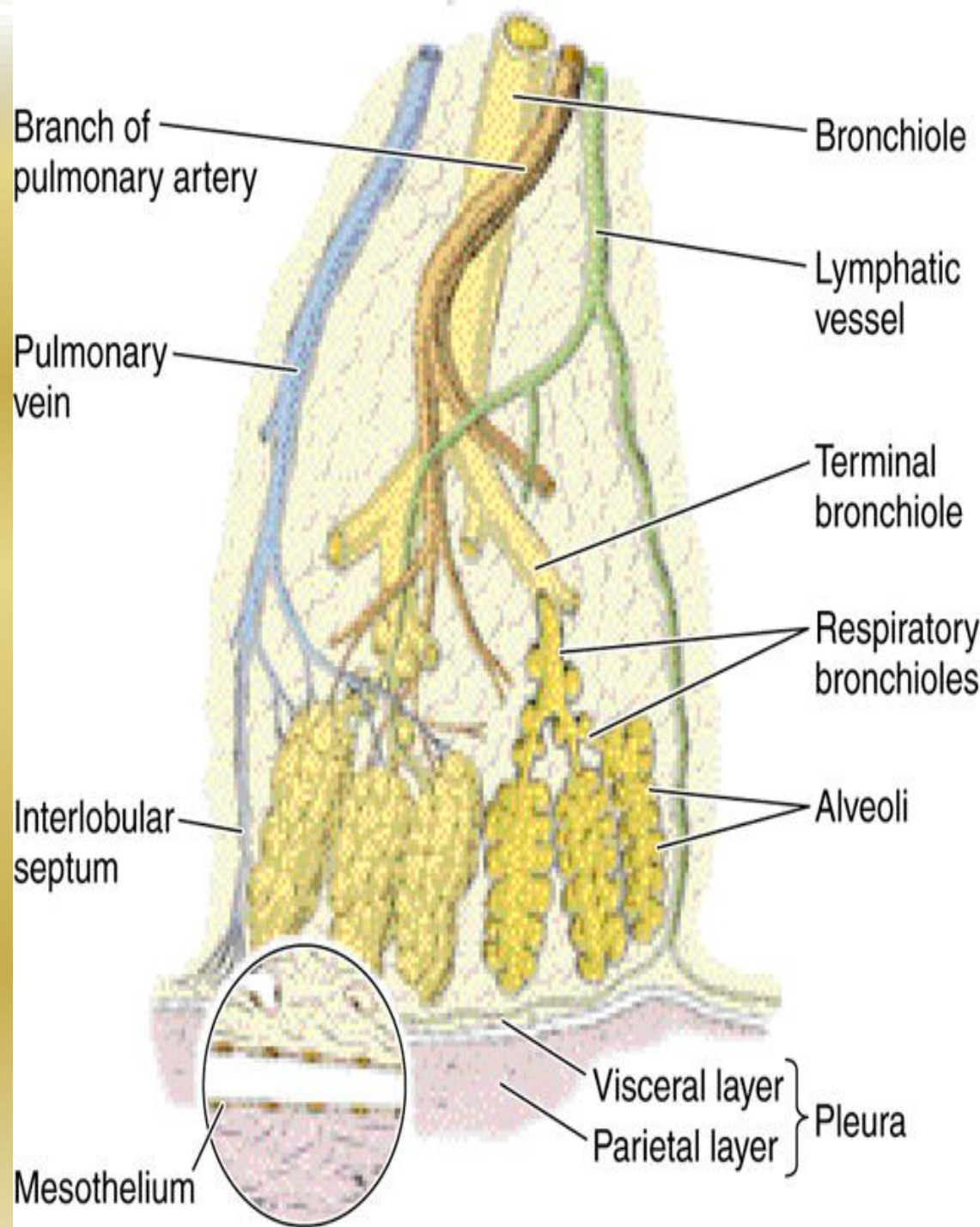
- **Right lung** has three lobes:
  - Superior
  - Middle lobe
  - Inferior lobe
  
- **Left lung** has two lobes:
  - Superior lobe
  - Inferior lobe

# pleura

- Is the serous membrane covering the lungs.
- It consists of two layers:
  - *Parietal layer*
  - *Visceral layer*
- Both layers are composed of *mesothelial cells resting on a fine connective tissue layer that contains collagen and elastic fibers.*
- The space between parietal pleura and visceral pleura is called pleural cavity.
- **Pleural cavity** contains only a *small amount of liquid that act a lubricant, facilitating the smooth sliding of one surface over the other during respiratory movements.*



Blood and lymph circulation in a pulmonary lobule. Both vessels and bronchi are enlarged out of proportion in this drawing. In the interlobular septum, only one vein (on the left) and one lymphatic vessel (on the right) are shown, although both actually coexist in both regions. At the lower left, an enlargement of the pleura shows its mesothelial lining.



- The respiratory system exposes to a large number of insults like infectious agents and non infectious agents.
- Therefore respiratory system has defense mechanisms represented by:
  - abundant lymphoid tissues.
  - alveolar macrophage
  - mucous secretion and cilia in the respiratory epithelium.
  - cough reflex

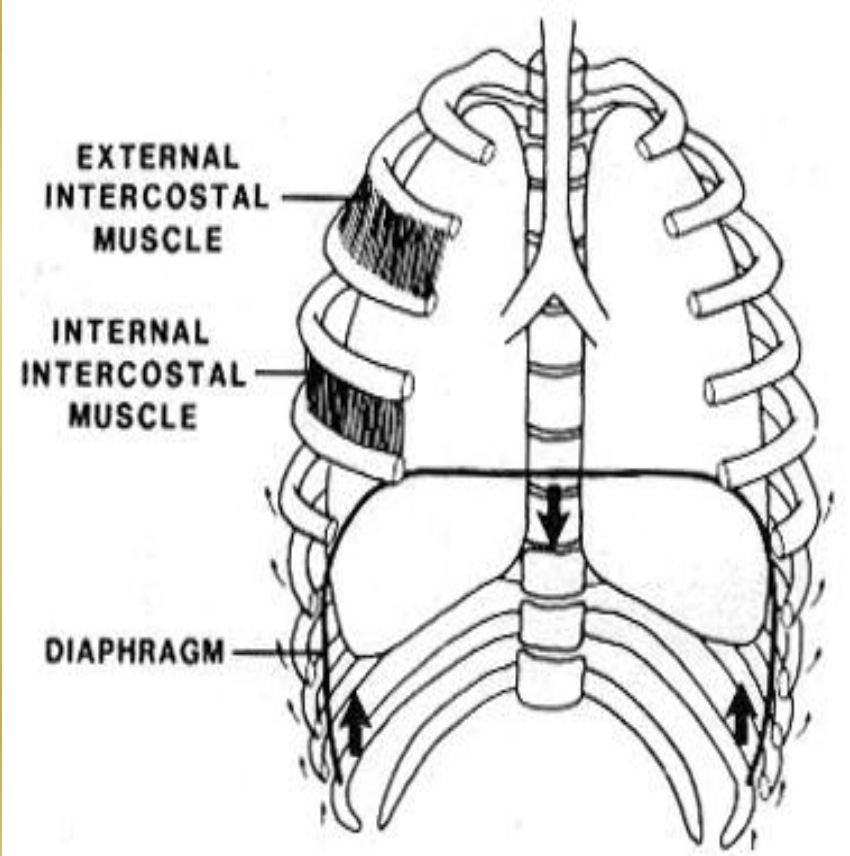
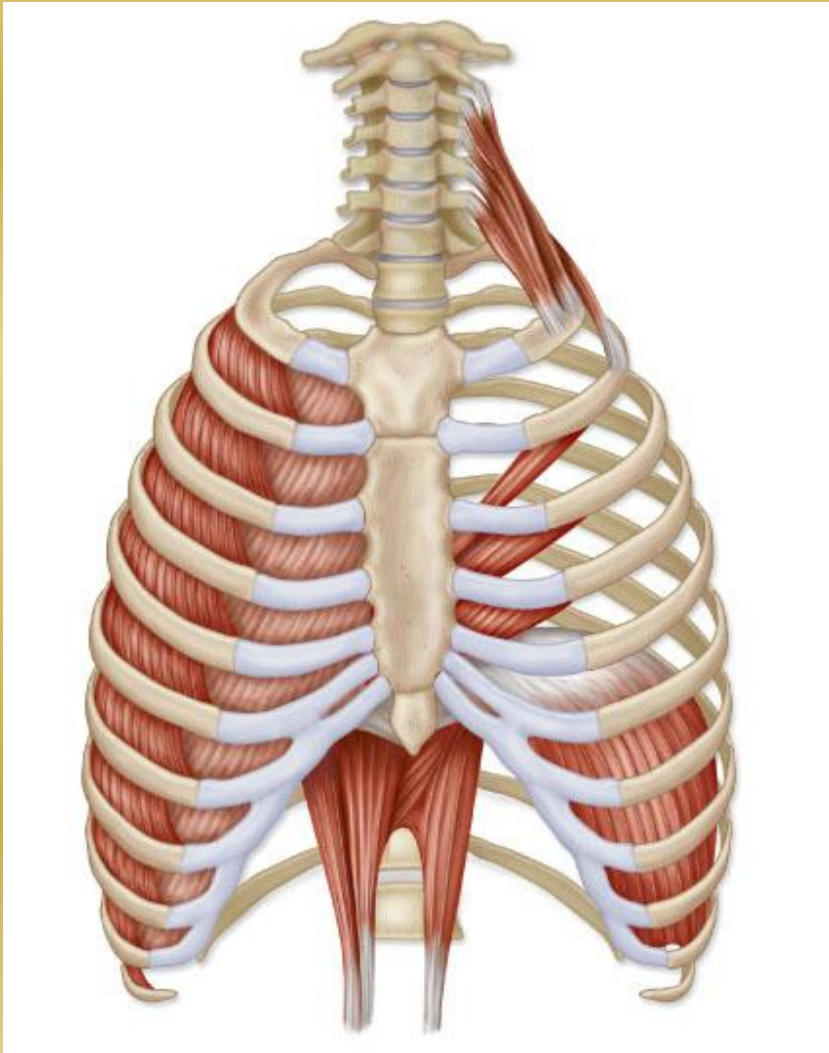
# Respiratory Cycle

1. Inspiration in which air is taken into the lungs.
2. Expiration in which air is breath out.
3. A short pause before the next inspiration.

# **Respiratory movements (mechanism of respiration)**

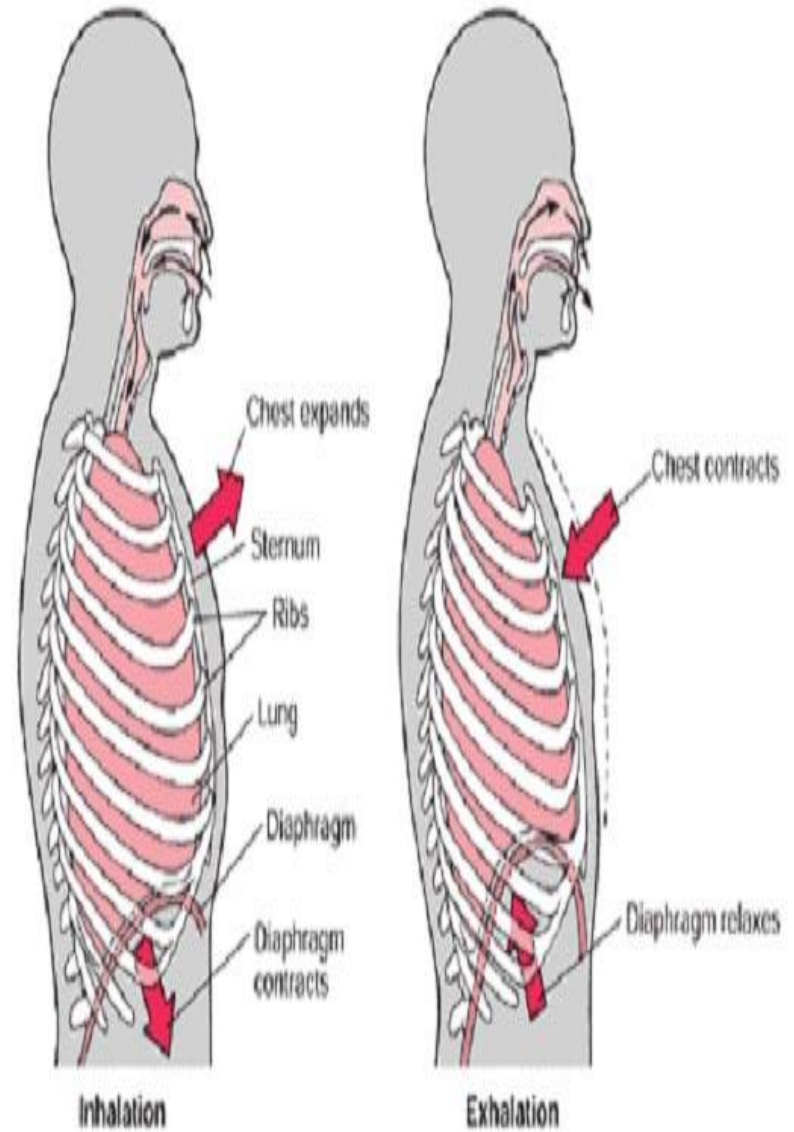
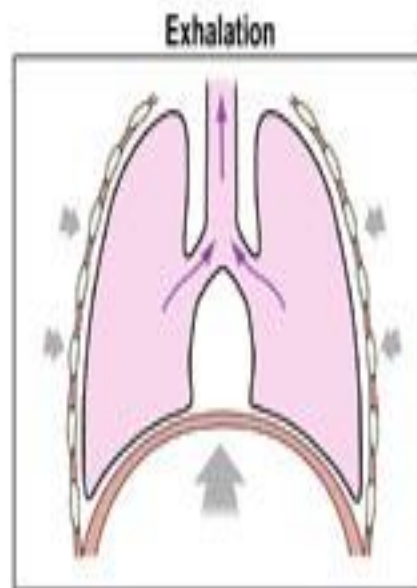
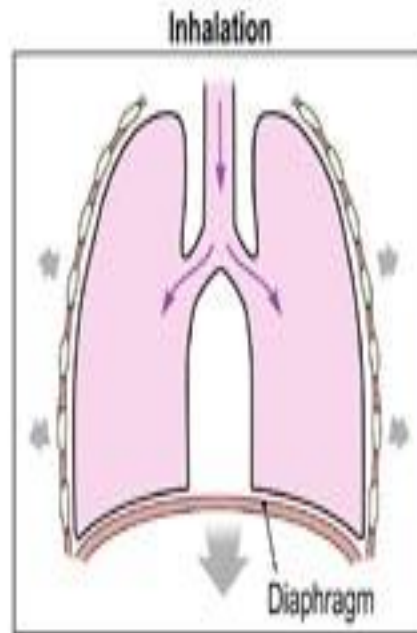
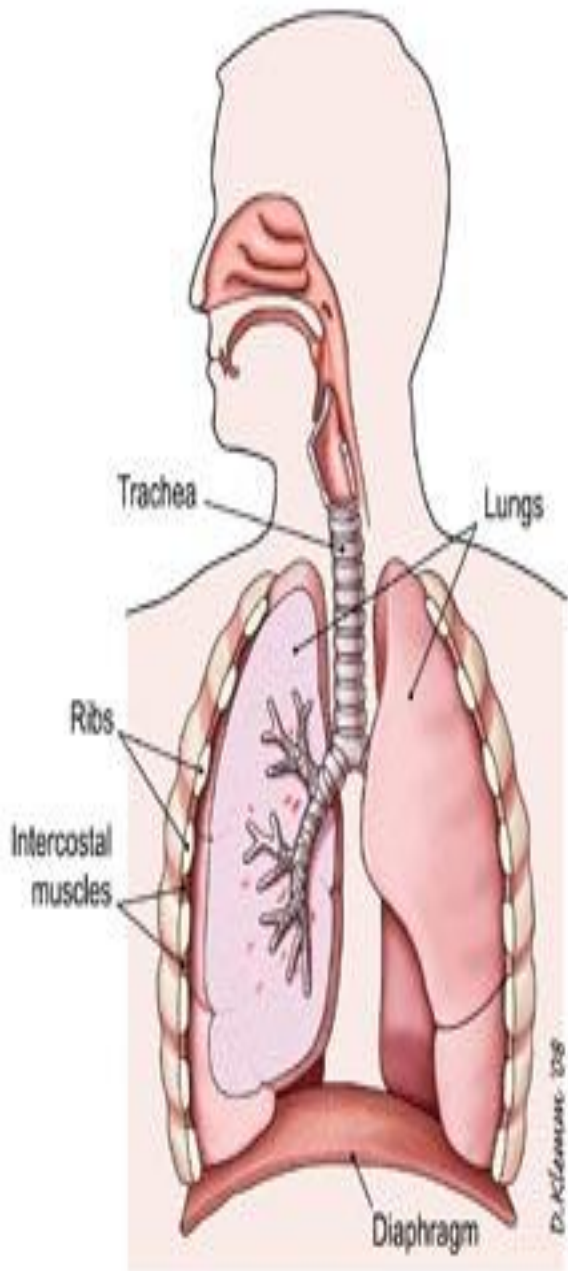
- **Muscles of Respiration**

1. Diaphragm
2. Intercostal muscles (mainly external intercostal muscles and also internal intercostal muscles).
3. Neck muscles
4. Abdominal muscles



## • **Inspiration**

- During inspiration brain stem sends a message to diaphragm to contract (so it moves down) and also external intercostal muscles contract.
- Contraction of diaphragm and external intercostal muscles lead to increase space of thoracic cavity and decrease pressure in the pulmonary cavity.
- Decrease pressure in pulmonary cavity leads lungs to expand that cause the air moves from atmosphere to the lungs.



## • **Expiration**

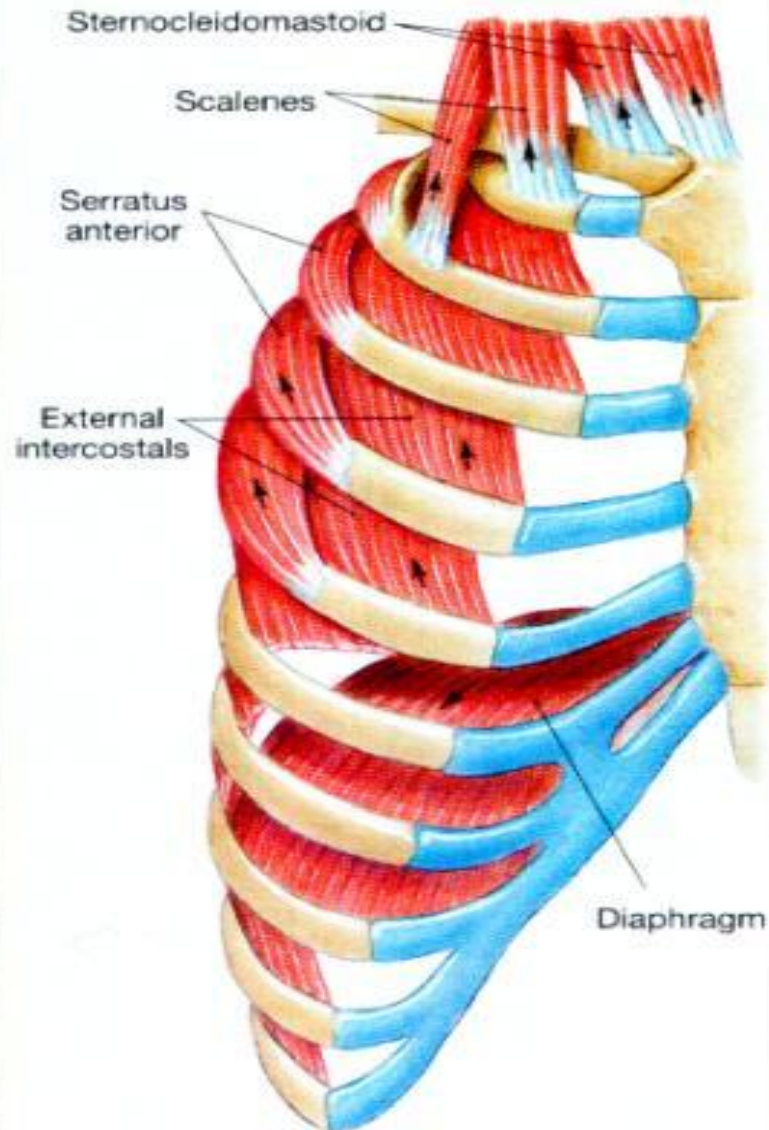
- When the diaphragm and intercostal muscles relax the abdominal cavity push against thoracic cavity. That leads to increase pulmonary pressure.
- Increase pulmonary pressure leads air to leave
- lungs and get out.

**Note:** An important factor to prevent pulmonary collapse during expiration is the presence a phospholipid material called surfactant.

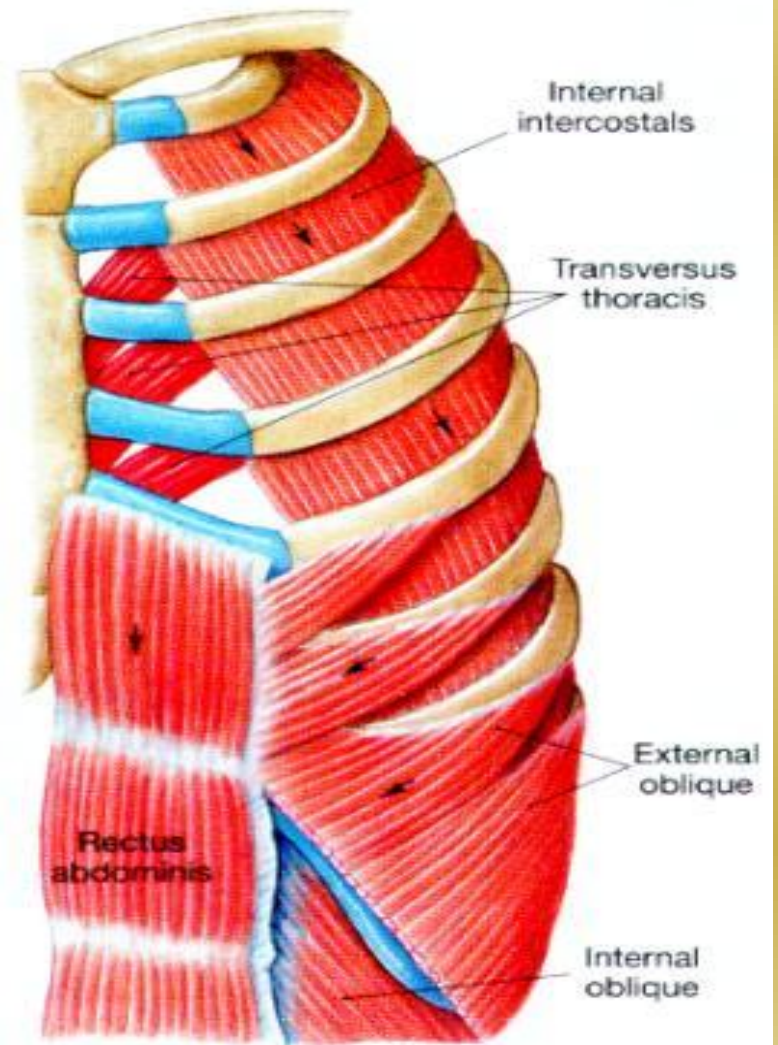
- Surfactant is a liquid material secreted by alveolar cells. It acts to decrease surface tension at alveolar level, lubrication and prevent alveolar collaps.



INSPIRATION



EXPIRATION



# Internal and external respiration

- External respiration: the exchange of gases between air in alveoli of the lungs and blood is called external respiration.
- Internal respiration: exchange of gases between blood and body cells is called internal respiration.

# Transport of blood gases

- To understand how transport O<sub>2</sub> between blood and body cells we should know the following:
  1. The atmosphere is a mixture of gases N<sub>2</sub> (79%), O<sub>2</sub> (21%), and CO<sub>2</sub> (0.04%). The pressure exerted by the atmosphere can be measured using barometer. At the sea level it is equal to that of column of 760mm of mercury.
  2. Each gas exerts pressure proportional to its own concentration. The partial pressure of O<sub>2</sub> in atmosphere in atmospheric air expressed as pO<sub>2</sub> is  $(2/100) \times 760 = 160$  mmHg.

# Composition of atmosphere air and alveolar air

	<b>pO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>pCO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>pN<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>pH<sub>2</sub>O</b>
<b>Atmosphere air</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>3.7</b>
<b>Alveolar air</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>569</b>	<b>47</b>
<b>Expired air</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>566</b>	<b>47</b>

- The  $pO_2$  of deoxygenated blood circulating in the walls of alveoli is about 40 mmHg. The  $pO_2$  of alveolar air is much higher (104 mmHg). Hence  $O_2$  diffuses easily from alveolar air to blood.
- $O_2$  combines with hemoglobin to form oxyhemoglobin.
- $pO_2$  of arterial blood 100mmHg. In contrast  $pO_2$  of tissue fluid is 40 mmHg. Hence oxygen readily diffuses from blood to tissue.

# Steps of Respiration

1. Ventilation: exchange of air between atmosphere and alveoli by *bulk flow*
2. Gas exchange of O<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> between alveolar air and blood (RBC contains Hb which has high affinity for O<sub>2</sub>) in lung capillaries by *diffusion*.
3. Gas transport O<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> through pulmonary and systemic circulation by *bulk flow*.
4. Gas exchange of O<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> between blood in the tissue capillaries and cells in the tissue by *diffusion*.
5. Cellular respiration (utilization) of O<sub>2</sub> and production of CO<sub>2</sub>.

# Factors affecting the affinity of hemoglobin to O<sub>2</sub>

Hb decreases its affinity to O<sub>2</sub>

1. Fever
2. pH
3. Accumulation of 2,3 –Diphosphoglycerate (2,3- DPG)

# Control of Respiration

- Respiration is controlled by the nervous system.
- in the brain the **respiratory center** presents in the **medulla** and **pons**.
- The respiratory center receives input from **chemoreceptors** (carotid body and aortic body).
- When CO<sub>2</sub> increases in the blood chemoreceptors send impulses to the respiratory center.
- The respiratory center sends impulses that increase the rate and depth of respiration so the CO<sub>2</sub> level returns to the normal.



# Lung functions test

- We can assessment lung function by measure the pulmonary volume and capacity, by using spirometry apparatus.
- **Tidal volume** is a volume of inspired or expired air under resting condition (in adult = 500ml).
- **Inspiratory reserve volume** is a volume of air inspired maximally after normal inspiration (3000ml).
- **Expiratory reserve volume** is a volume of air expired forcibly after normal expiration (1200ml).
- **Residual volume** is a volume of air remains in the lungs after end forced expiration (1200ml).
- **Inspiratory capacity** is a maximum amount of air that can be inhaled after normal tidal expiration (tidal volume + inspiratory reserve)(3500ml).

- **Functional residual capacity** amount of air remaining in the lungs after a normal tidal expiration (Residual volume + expiratory reserve volume) (2400ml).
- **Total lung capacity** is a maximum amount of air the lungs can contain (5900ml).
- **Pulmonary ventilation (volume/minute) =**  
**Tidal volume X Respiratory rate**

# Respiratory Volumes and Capacities

