



# Membranous Organelles

## 1. Endoplasmic reticulum:

- ✓ Rough Endoplasmic Reticulum (RER)
- ✓ Smooth Endoplasmic Reticulum (SER)

## 2. Annulate lamellae

## 3. Golgi apparatus

## 4. Secretory vesicles (granules)

## 5. Lysosomes

## 6. Peroxisomes (microbodies)

## 7. Mitochondria

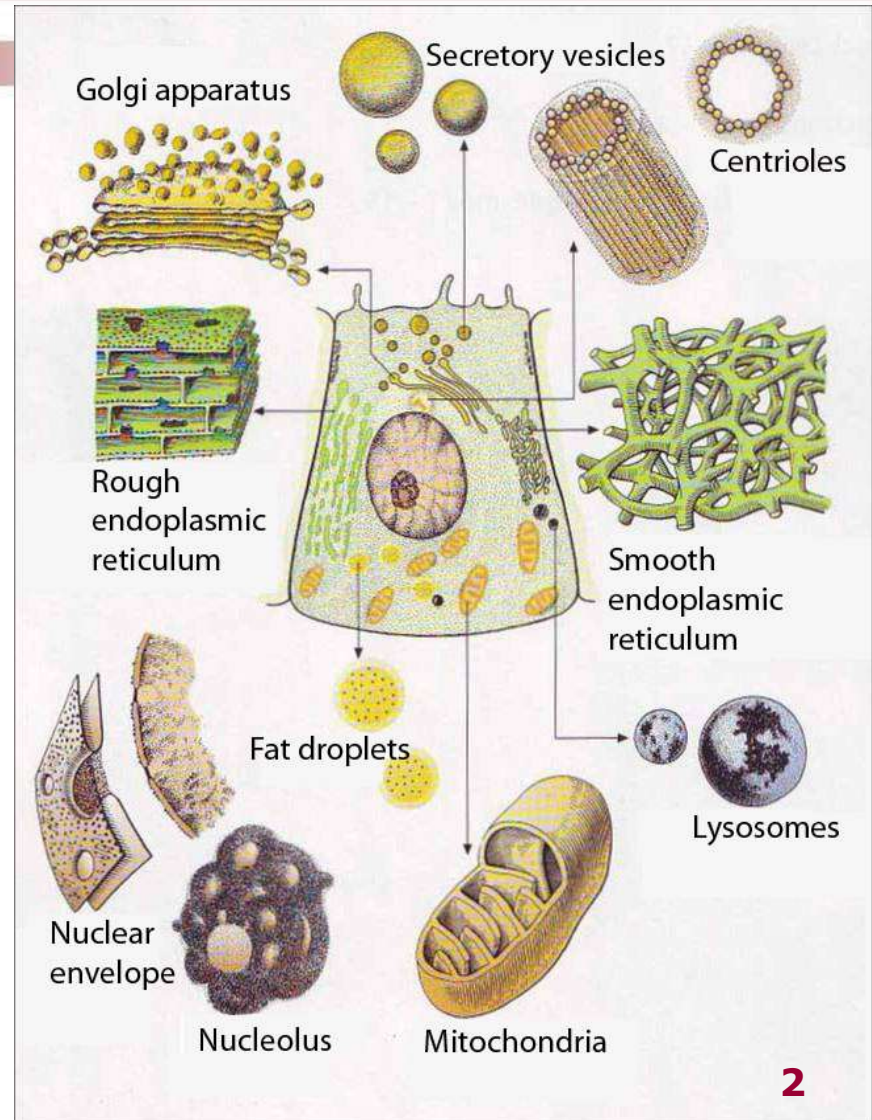
## 8. Coated vesicles





# Membrane-limited organelles

- ✓ Endoplasmic reticulum
- ✓ Annulate lamellae
- ✓ Transport vesicles
- ✓ Golgi apparatus
- ✓ Secretory vesicles
- ✓ Lysosomes
- ✓ Proteasomes
- ✓ Peroxisomes
- ✓ Mitochondria
- ✓ Coated vesicles
- ✓ Nucleus





# Ergastoplasm



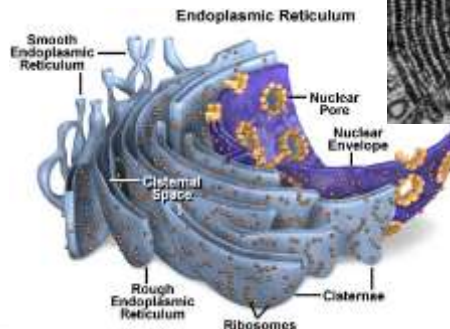
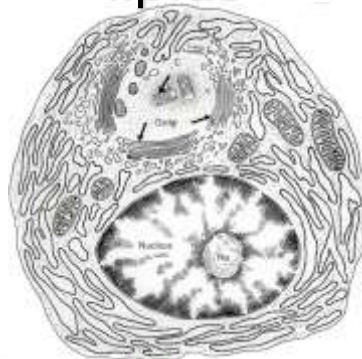
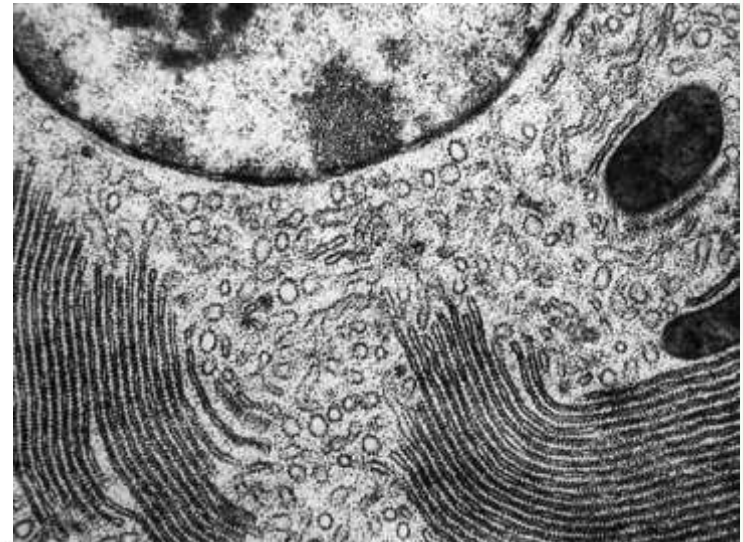
**Keith Roberts Porter**  
(1912-1997)



**Albert Claude**  
(1899-1983)



- Garnier – basophilic substance (RNA), ergastoplasm (Etymology: Gr. *ergaster*, worker + *plasma*, to mold)
- Ultrastructure: Porter, Claude, Fullam, 1945
- An interconnected network (reticulum) of:
  - ✓ cisternae (flattened sacs)
  - ✓ vacuoles
  - ✓ up to 10% of cell volume
- Chemical composition:
  - ✓ proteins – 60-65%
  - ✓ lipids – 35-40%





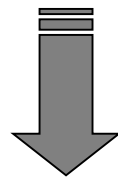
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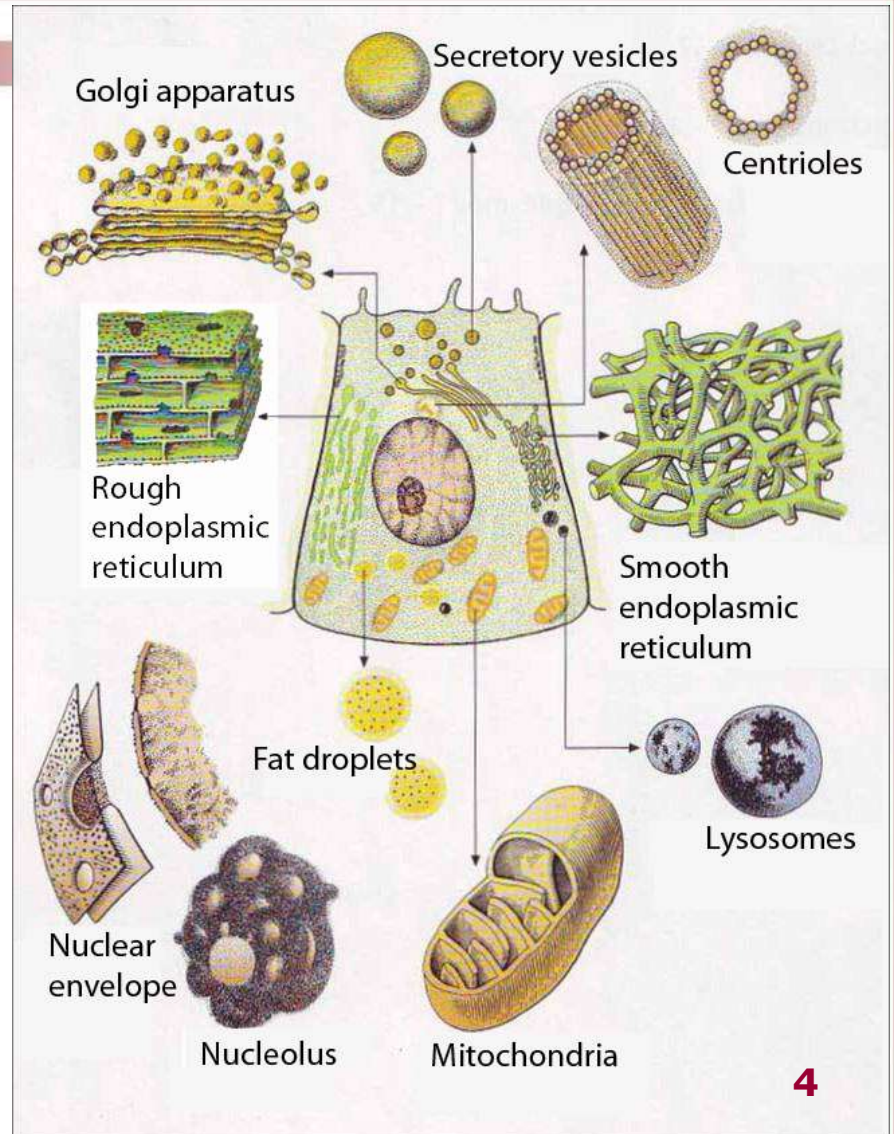
## Endoplasmic reticulum:

- ✓ rough
- ✓ smooth

## rough endoplasmic reticulum



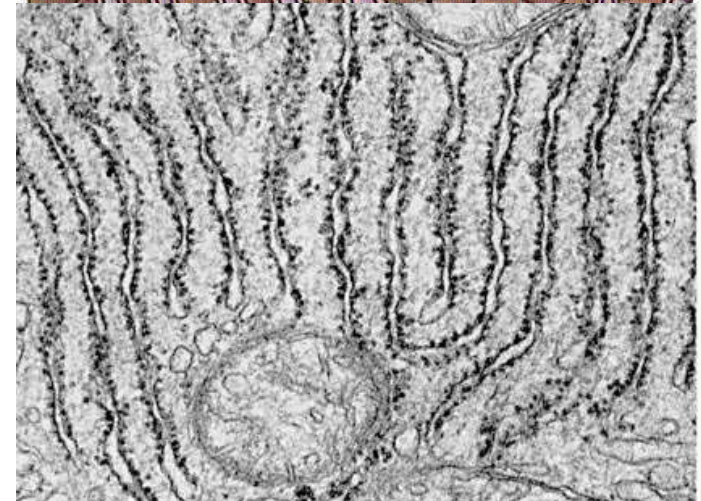
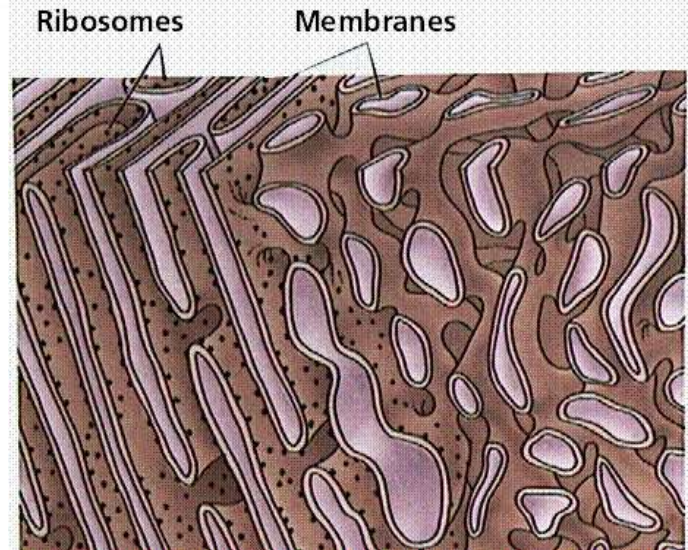
protein synthesis



# Rough (granular) endoplasmic reticulum



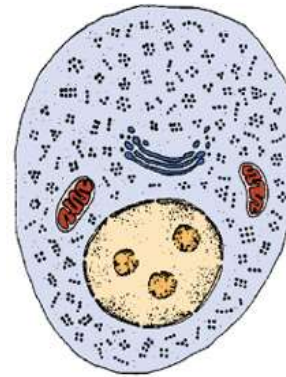
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  - ✓ cisternae – 7-8 nm
  - ✓ ribosomes
- **Functions:**
  - ✓ protein synthesis and segregation:
    - intracellular utilization
    - extracellular export
  - ✓ initial glycosylation of glycoproteins
  - ✓ phospholipid synthesis
- **Prominent in protein-synthesizing cells:**
  - ✓ blast cells
  - ✓ exocrine gland cells
  - ✓ plasma cells
  - ✓ neurons



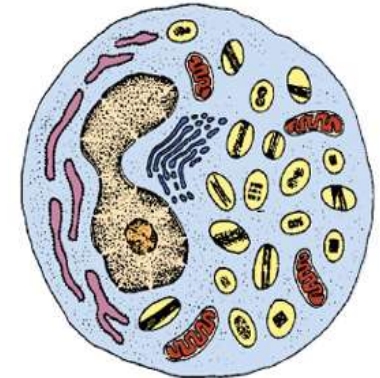
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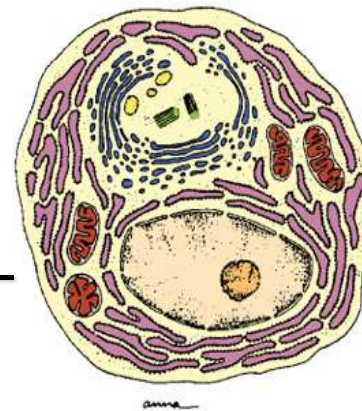
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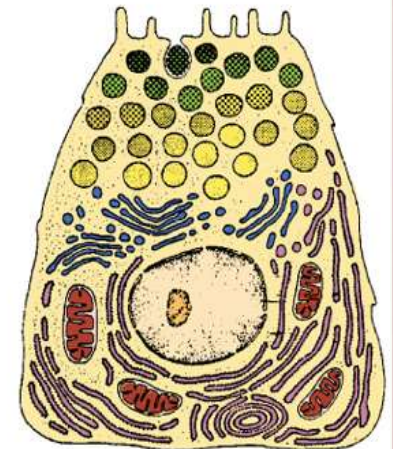
A Erythroblast



B Eosinophilic leukocyte



C Plasma cell



D Pancreatic acinar cell

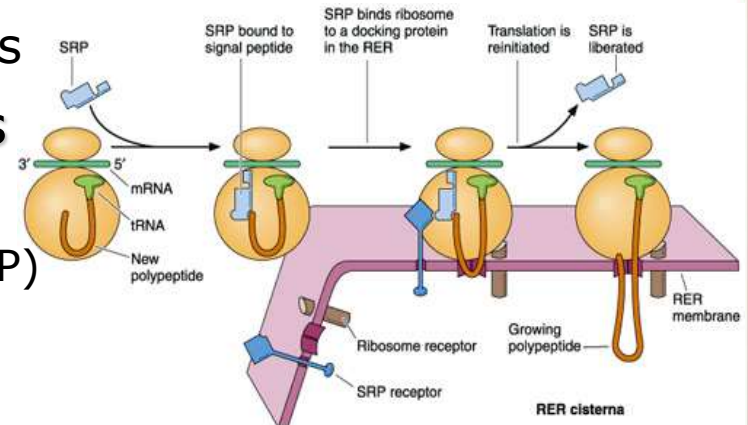




# Protein synthesis

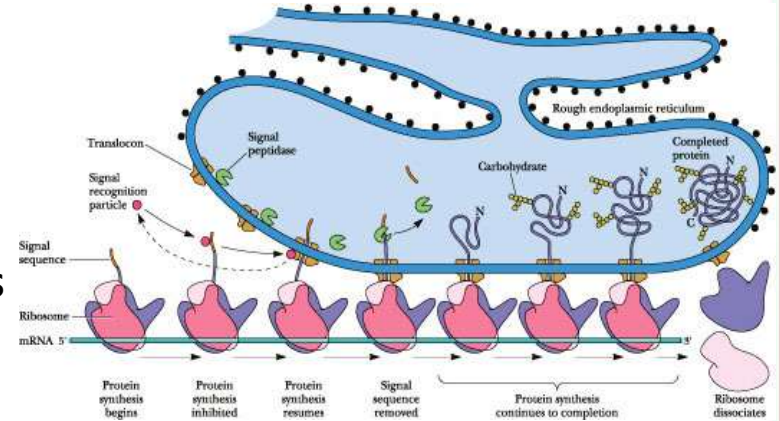
## ■ Signal hypothesis for the synthesis of secretory proteins:

- ✓ signal sequence of mRNA – 20-25 hydrophobic amino acids
- ✓ integral membrane proteins
  - ribophorins I and II
  - signal-recognition particle (SRP)
  - docking protein (SRP receptor protein)
  - translocon (translocator or translocation channel)



## ✓ steps:

- initial (core) glycosylation
- formation of disulfide bonds
- protein folding and assembly – chaperones
- proteolytic release of newly synthesized protein

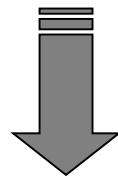




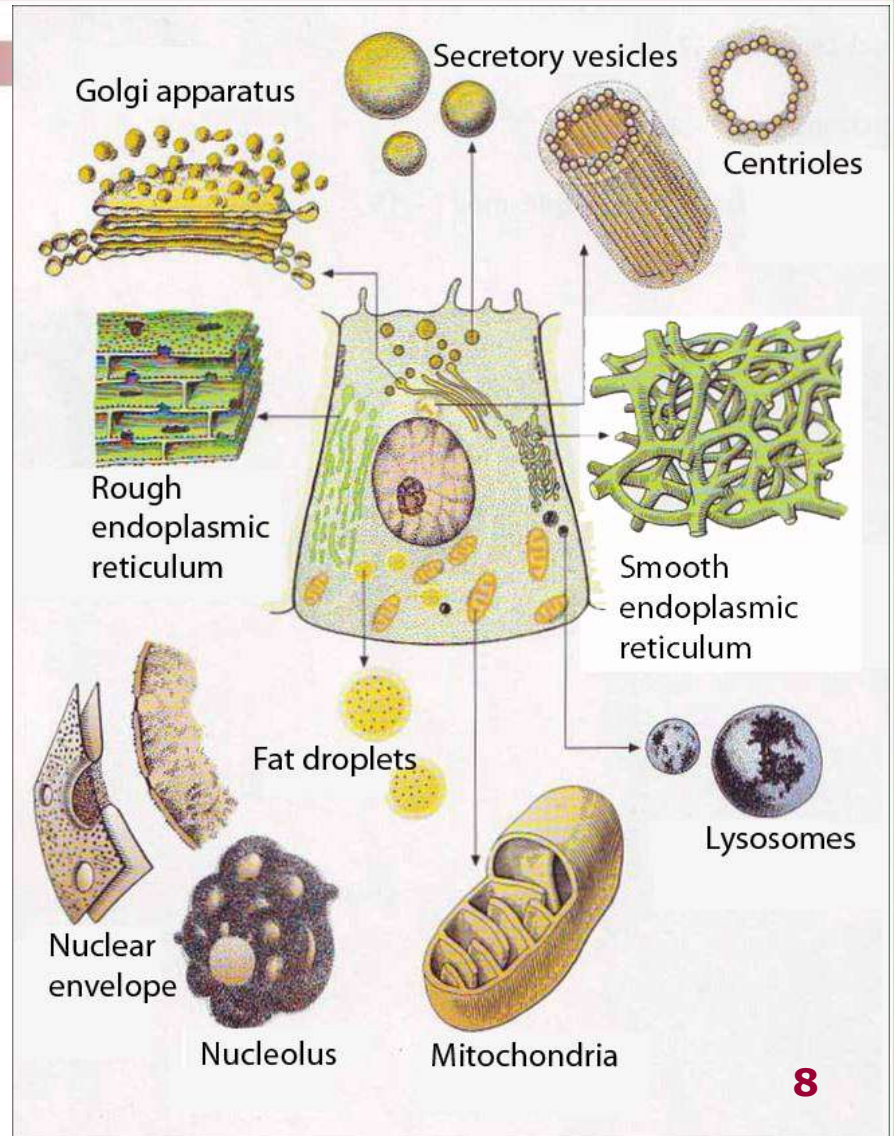
# Endoplasmic reticulum

- Endoplasmic reticulum:

**smooth endoplasmic reticulum**



lipid synthesis  
steroid synthesis  
detoxification

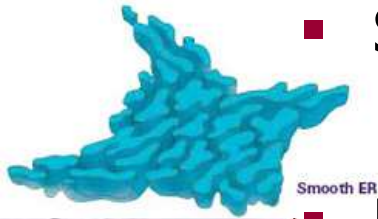




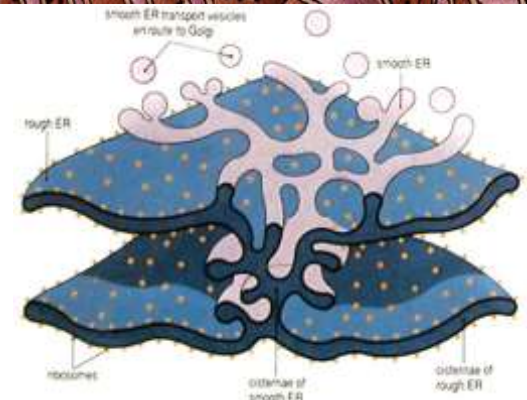
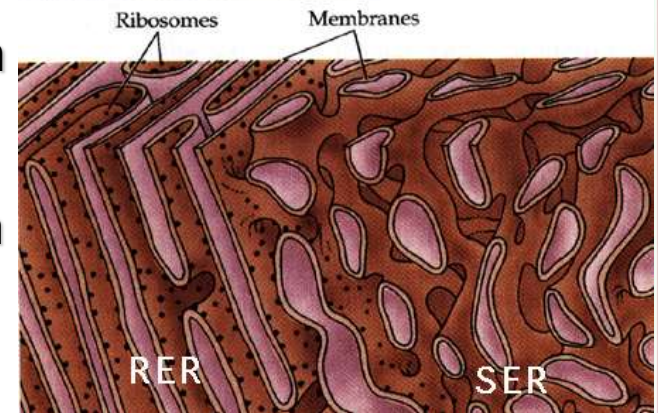
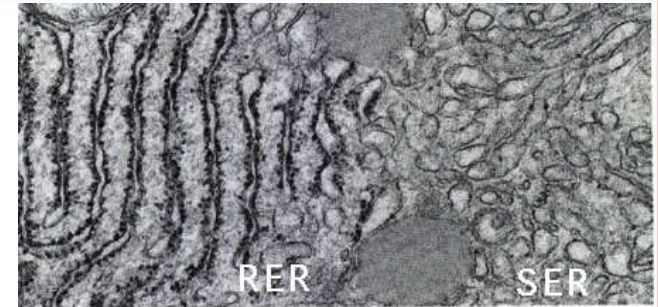


# Smooth (agranular) endoplasmic reticulum

- **Structure:**
  - ✓ tubular cisternae - 6-7 nm
  - ✓ lacks the associated ribosomes
- **Functions:**
  - ✓ lipid absorption and metabolism
  - ✓ glycogen metabolism
  - ✓ synthesis of steroid hormones
  - ✓ regulation of  $Ca^{2+}$  concentration
  - ✓ drug detoxification
- **Well-developed in:**
  - ✓ steroid-producing cells:
    - cells of adrenal cortex
    - interstitial cells of gonads
  - ✓ other cell types:
    - liver cells (hepatocytes)
    - skeletal and cardiac muscle cells - sarcoplasmic reticulum
    - nerve cells (neurons)
    - glandular cells



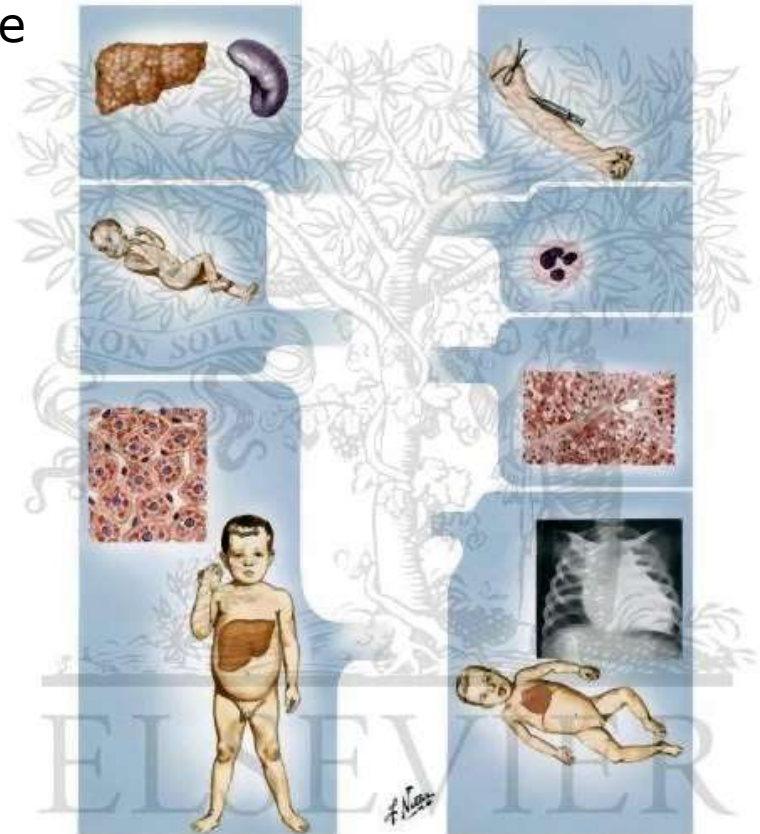
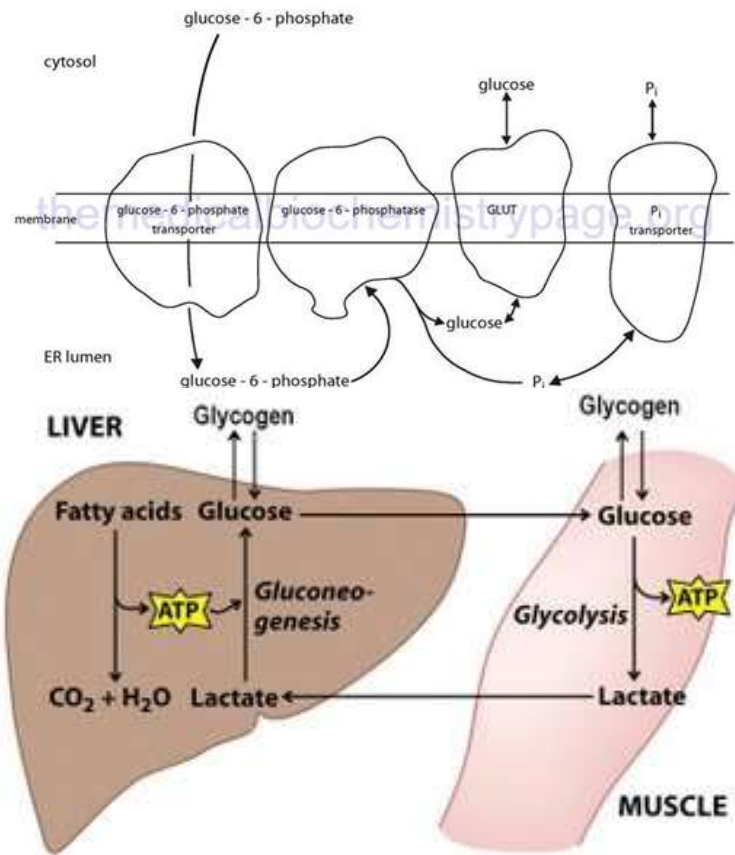
Smooth ER





# Endoplasmic reticulum: clinical significance

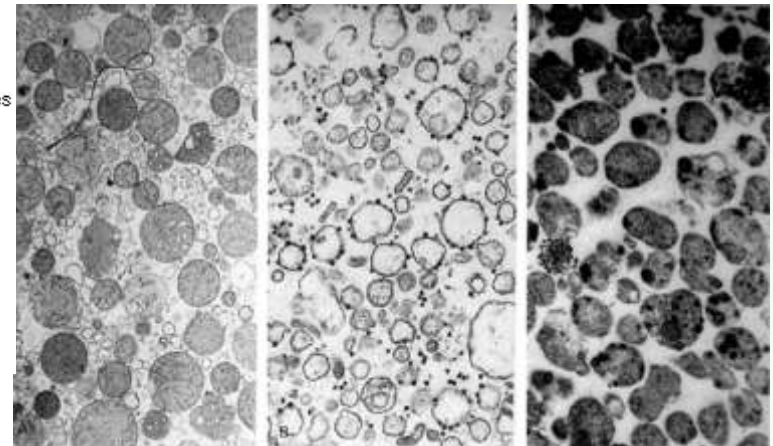
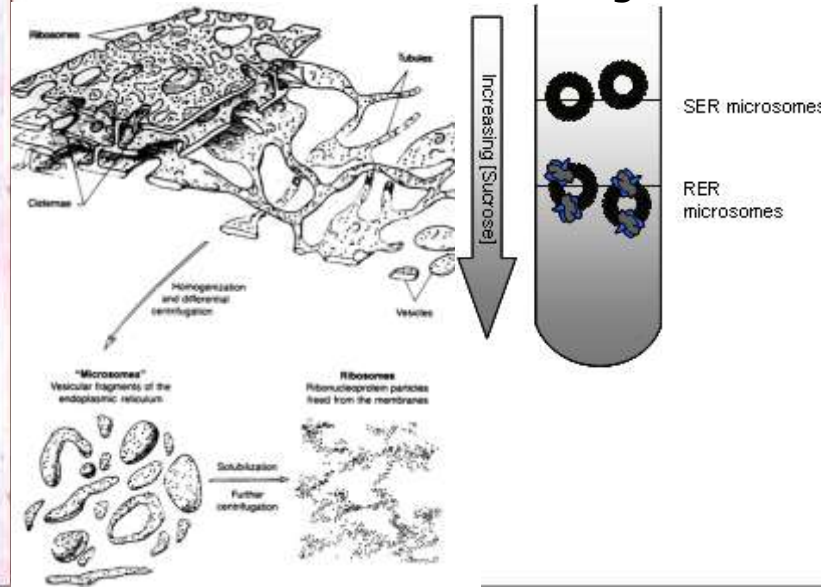
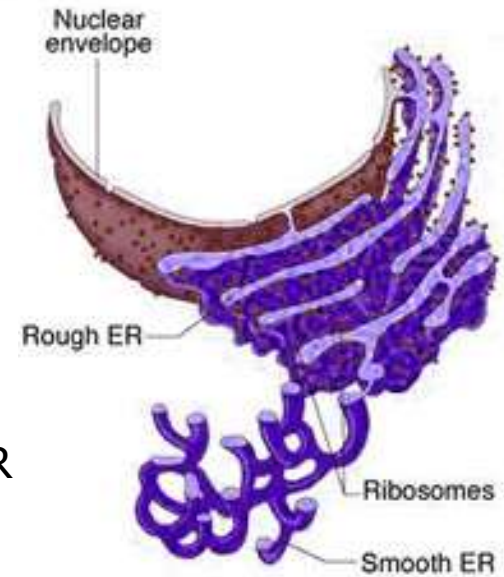
- Morbus von Gierke – type I glycogen storage disease:
  - ✓ gene deficiency of the enzyme glucose-6-phosphatase
  - ✓ increased glycogen storage in liver and kidneys





# Endoplasmic reticulum: origin

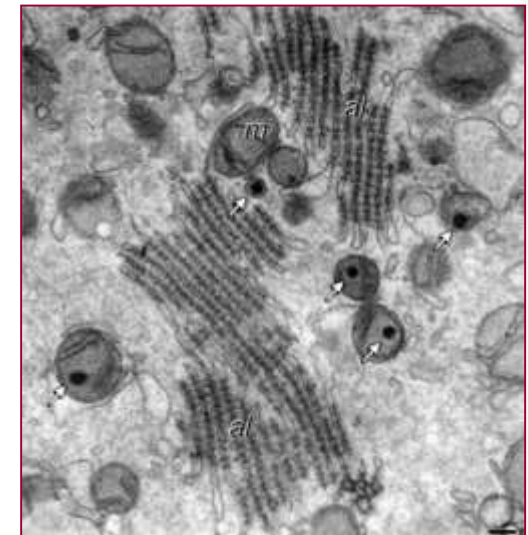
- rough ER:
  - ✓ continuous with the outer layer of the nuclear envelope
- smooth ER:
  - ✓ degranulation of rough ER
- microsomes – 100 nm
  - ✓ not ordinarily present in living cells
  - ✓ vesicle-like artifacts formed from the ER
  - ✓ last-order fraction, achieved by differential centrifugation





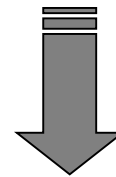
# Annulate lamellae

- **Structure:**
  - ✓ stacks of flat, membranous cisternae
  - ✓ contain numerous pore complexes
  - ✓ frequently seen as extensions of RER cisternae
  - ✓ intermediate stage between the ER and the nuclear envelope
- **Origin:**
  - ✓ derived from the nuclear envelope
- **Abundant in:**
  - ✓ human oocytes
  - ✓ spermatozoa
  - ✓ Sertoli cells in testis
  - ✓ tumor cells
- **Function:**
  - ✓ largely unknown
  - ✓ attachment sites for stored RNA
  - ✓ reserve fund for nuclear envelope

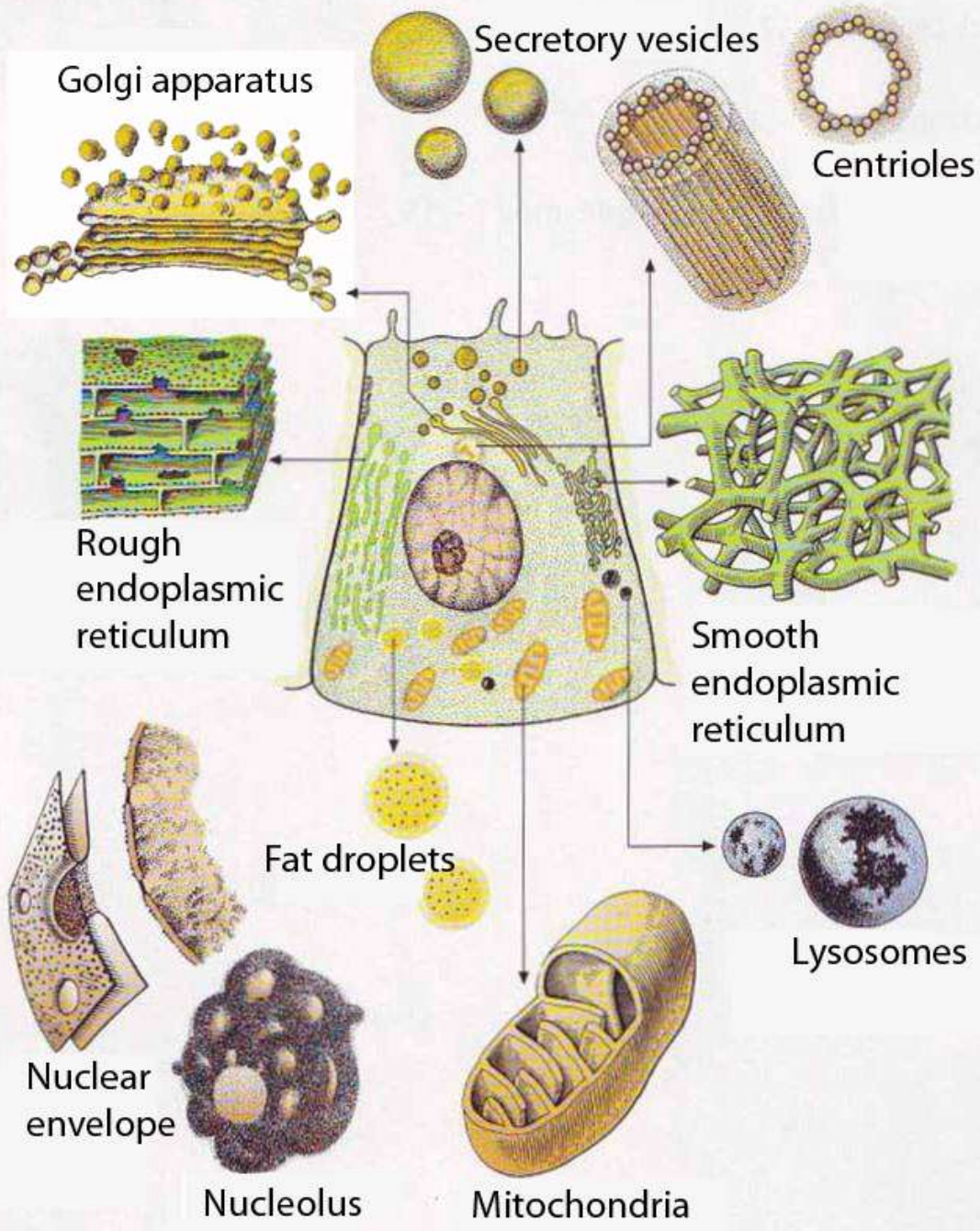


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## Golgi Apparatus



sorting





**Cammillo Golgi**  
(1843-1926)

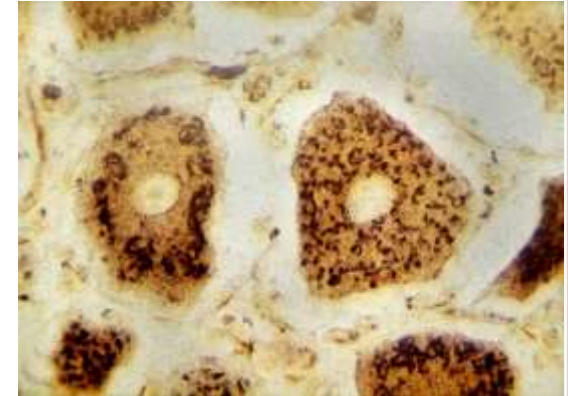


# Golgi Apparatus



The Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine 1906

- *ital.* – *apparato reticolare interno*:  
Cammillo Golgi, 1886, 1898

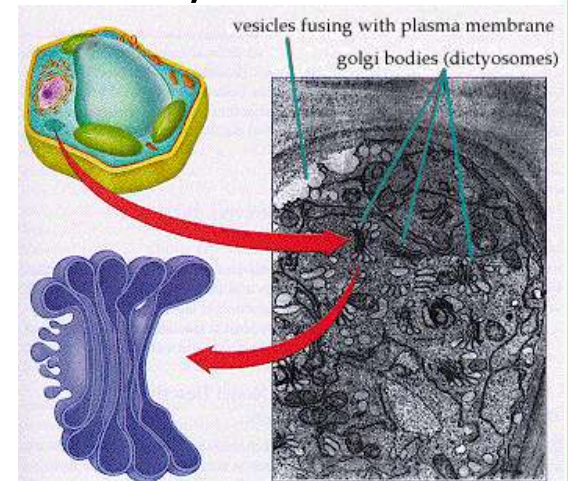


- Synonyms:
  - ✓ Golgi complex
  - ✓ Golgi zone
  - ✓ Golgi bodies

- Ultrastructure: A. Dalton, M. Felix, 1953

## Dictyosome:

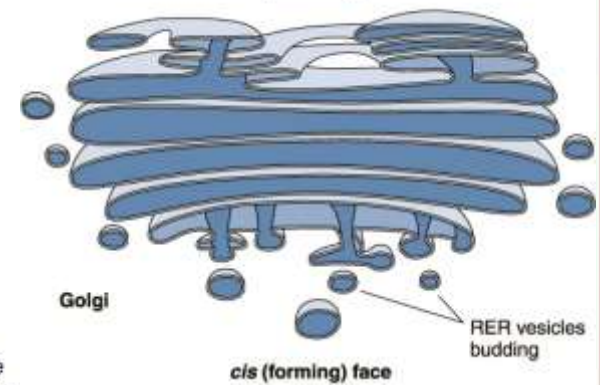
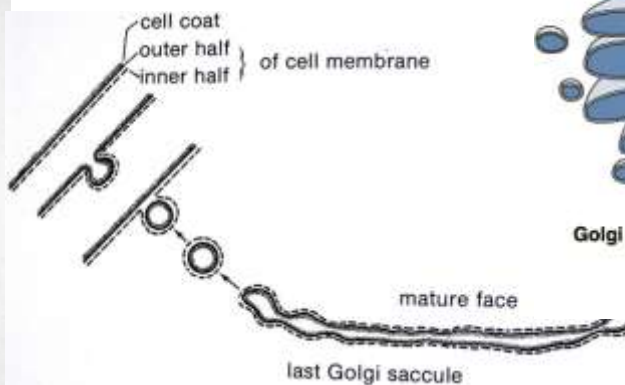
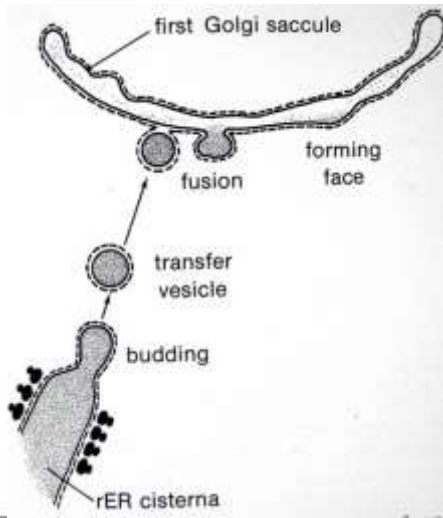
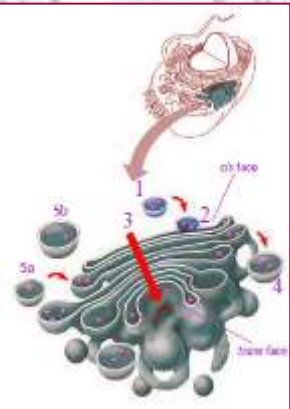
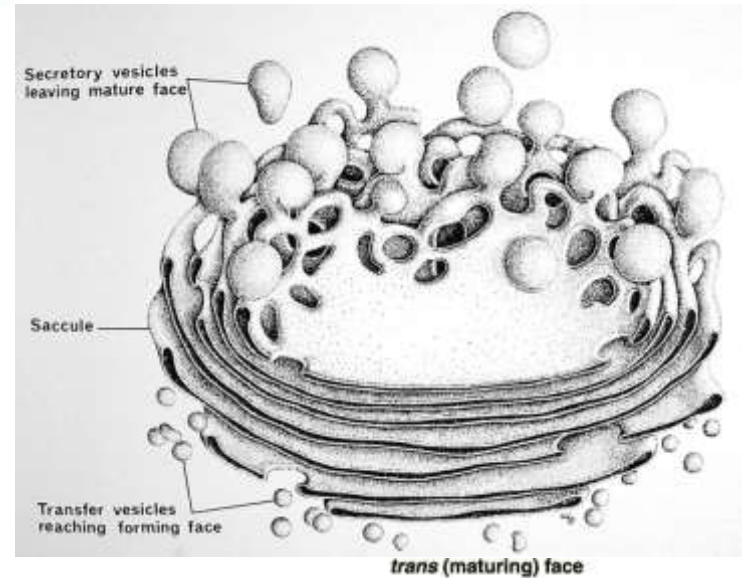
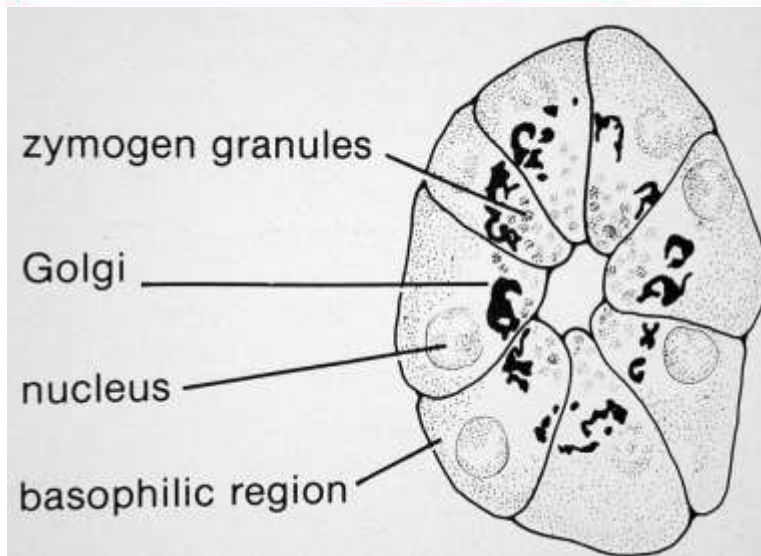
- stacks of smooth membrane-limited:
  - ✓ 3-12 flattened cisternae (50-200 nm)
  - ✓ vesicles (30-50 nm)
  - ✓ large, clear vacuoles (200-300 nm)





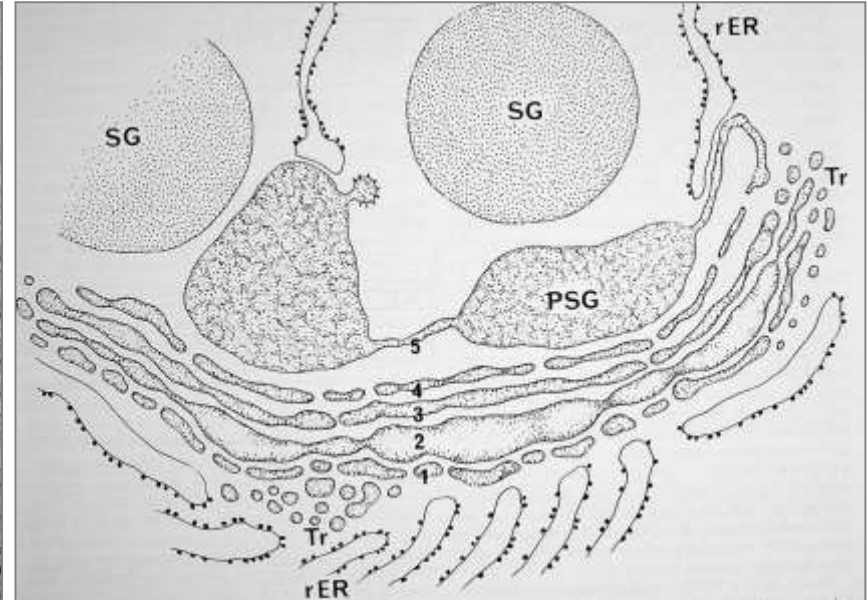
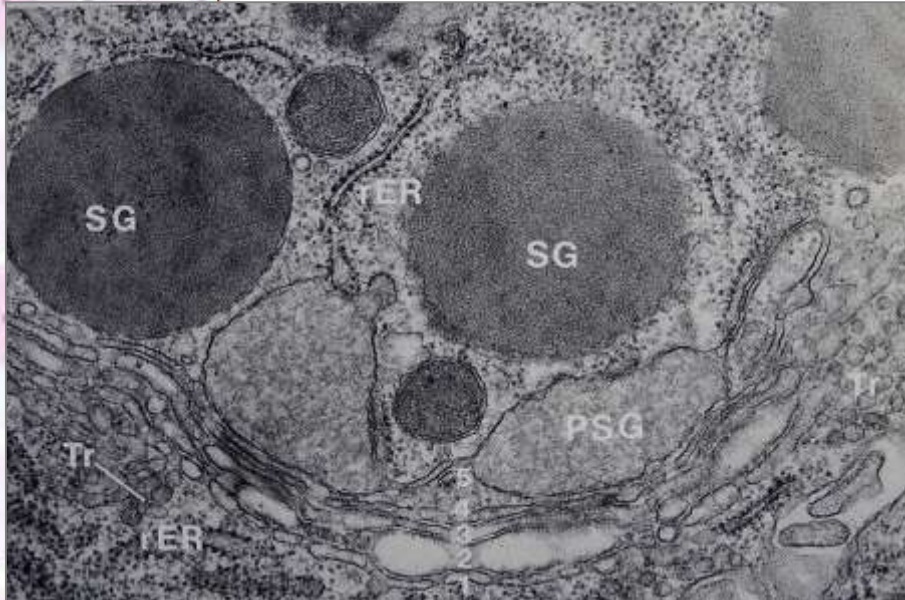
# Golgi Apparatus – structure

- both morphologically and functionally polarized structure:





# Golgi Apparatus – internal polarity



***GERL*** concept – ***zone of Novikoff*** (1964)

***G*** – Golgi apparatus

***ER*** – Endoplasmic Reticulum

***L*** – Lysosomes

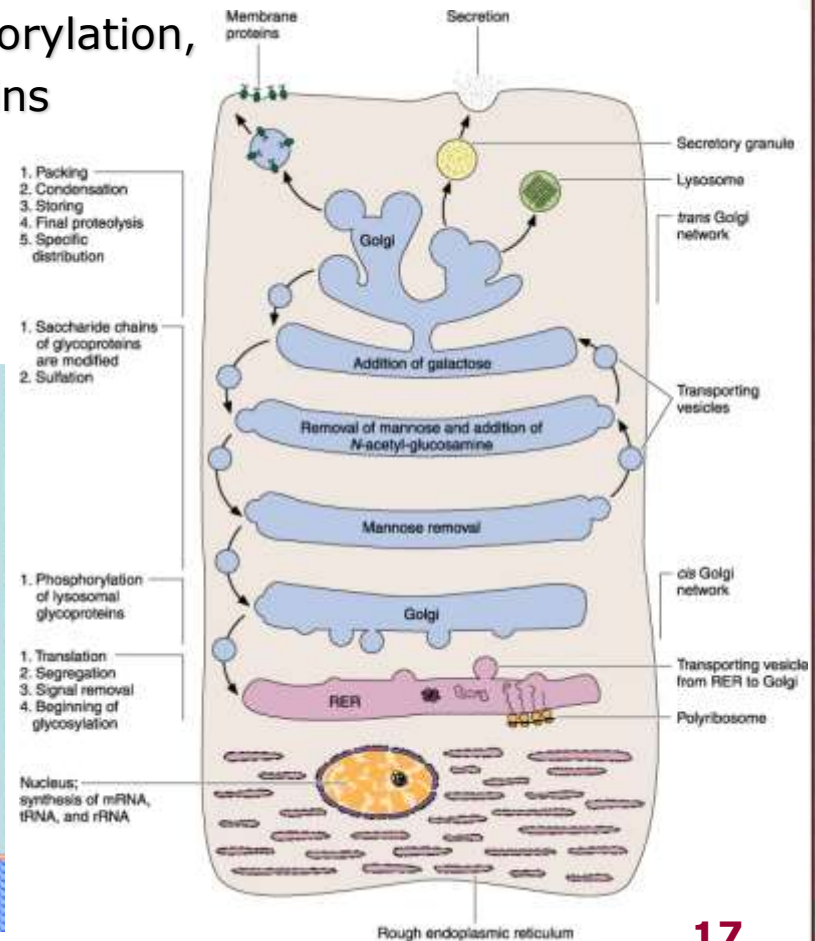
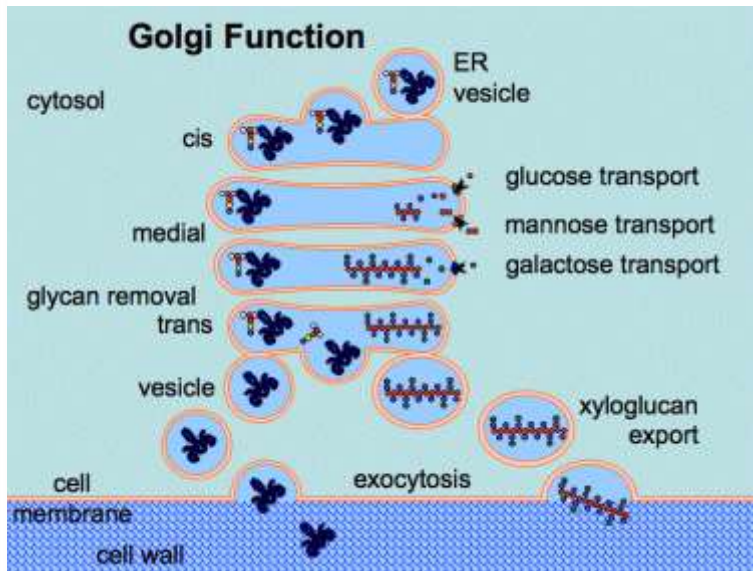




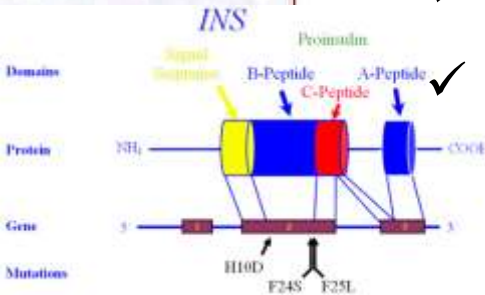
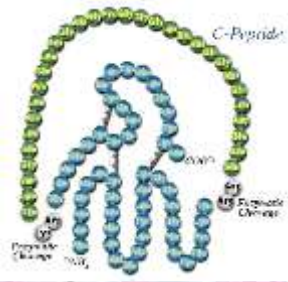


# Golgi Apparatus – functional polarity

- trafficking and sorting of proteins:
  - ✓ glycosylation, sulfation, phosphorylation, and limited proteolysis of proteins
  - ✓ initiates packing, concentration, and storage of secretory products

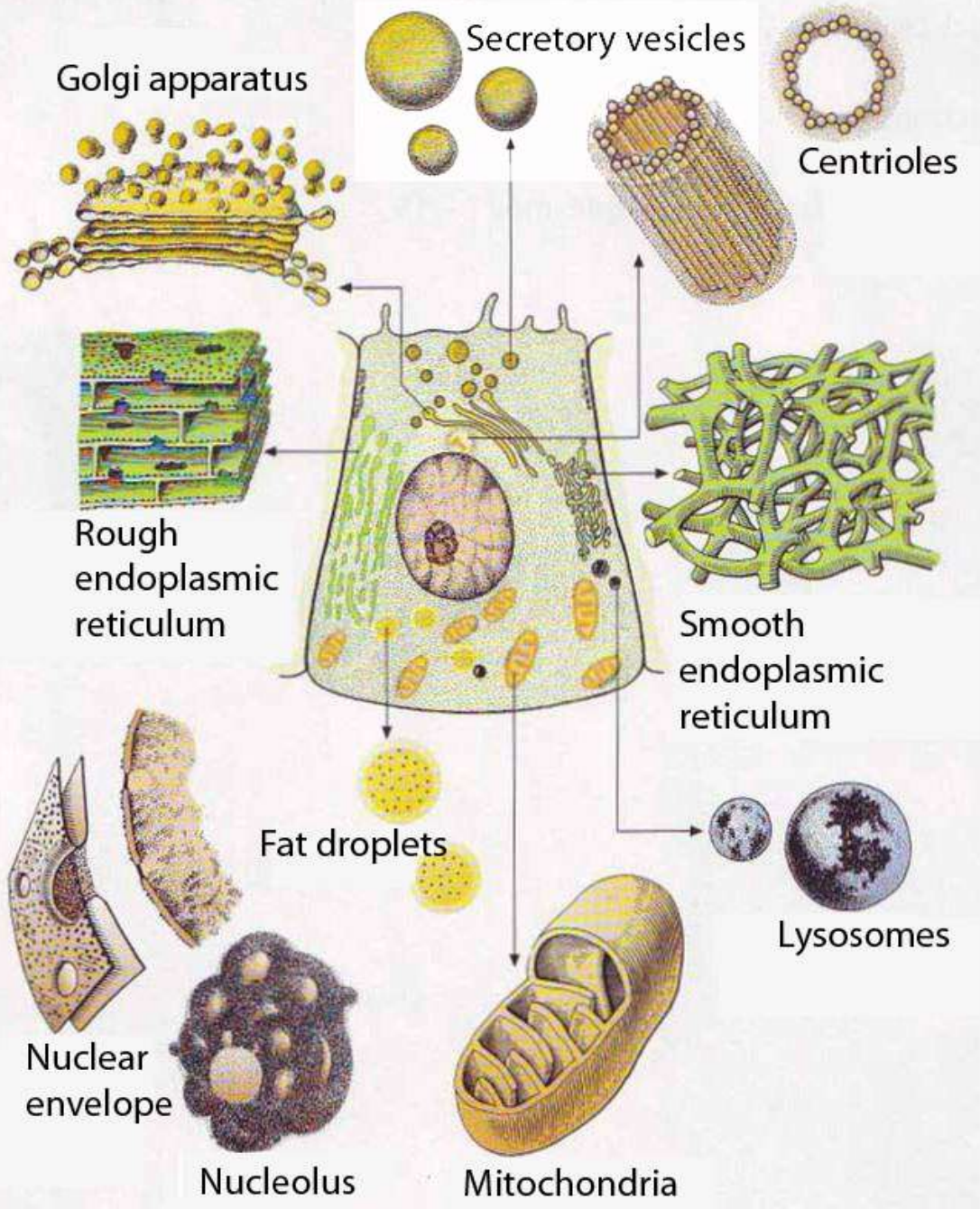


# Golgi Apparatus – clinical relevance



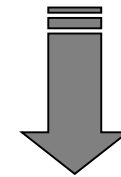
- **Hyperproinsulinaemia:**
  - ✓ immature forms of insulin make up the majority of circulating insulin
- **Mucopolipidosis** – a group of inherited metabolic disorders in which mucopolysaccharides and lipids accumulate in tissues:
  - ✓ **type I (sialidosis)** – a deficiency of the lysosomal enzyme sialidase
  - ✓ **type II (inclusion, I-cell disease)** – a deficiency in a phosphorylating enzyme normally present in the Golgi complex ⇒ lysosomes contain large inclusions of undigested glycosaminoglycans and glycolipids
  - ✓ **type III (pseudo-Hurler polydystrophy)** – the glycoproteins are not destined for lysosomes
  - ✓ **type IV** – alterations of a protein in the cell that is believed to be involved in the movement of molecules such as calcium across cell membranes





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## Secretory vesicles (granules)



storage and release of secretory products

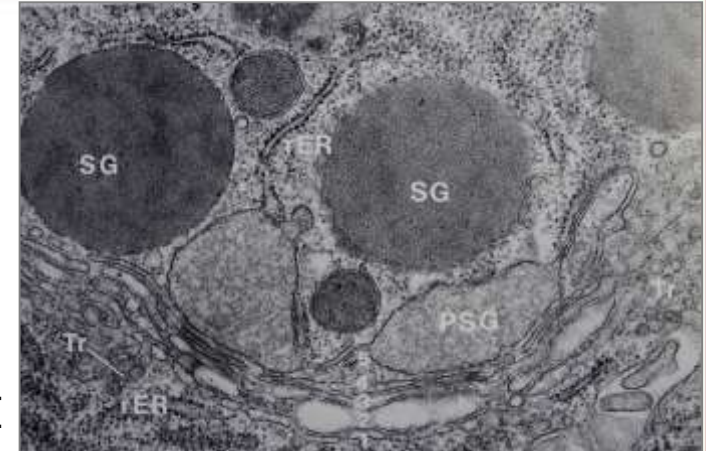
Animation illustrates how secretion vesicles, arising from the Golgi, fuse with the PM and dump the contents of their lumen outside of the cell. Note that the membrane of the SV turns insideout and becomes new PM.

-  Lipid Bilayer (SV)
-  Lipid Bilayer (PM)
-  Transmembrane Protein
-  Peripheral Protein (inside)
-  Peripheral Protein (outside)
-  Soluble Proteins

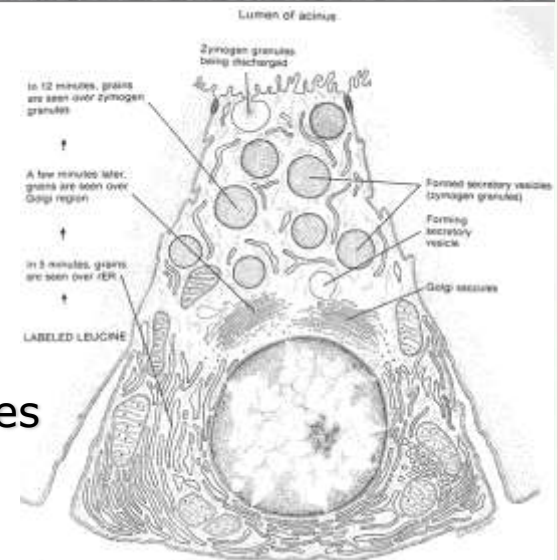


# Secretory vesicles

- Secretory granules:
  - ✓ shape – spherical
  - ✓ diameter – 0.15  $\mu\text{m}$ ->1  $\mu\text{m}$
  - ✓ clathrin-coated vesicles
  - ✓ core – histamine, chromogranin B, secretogranin II



Neurosecretosomes – hormones



Zymogen granules – digestive enzymes

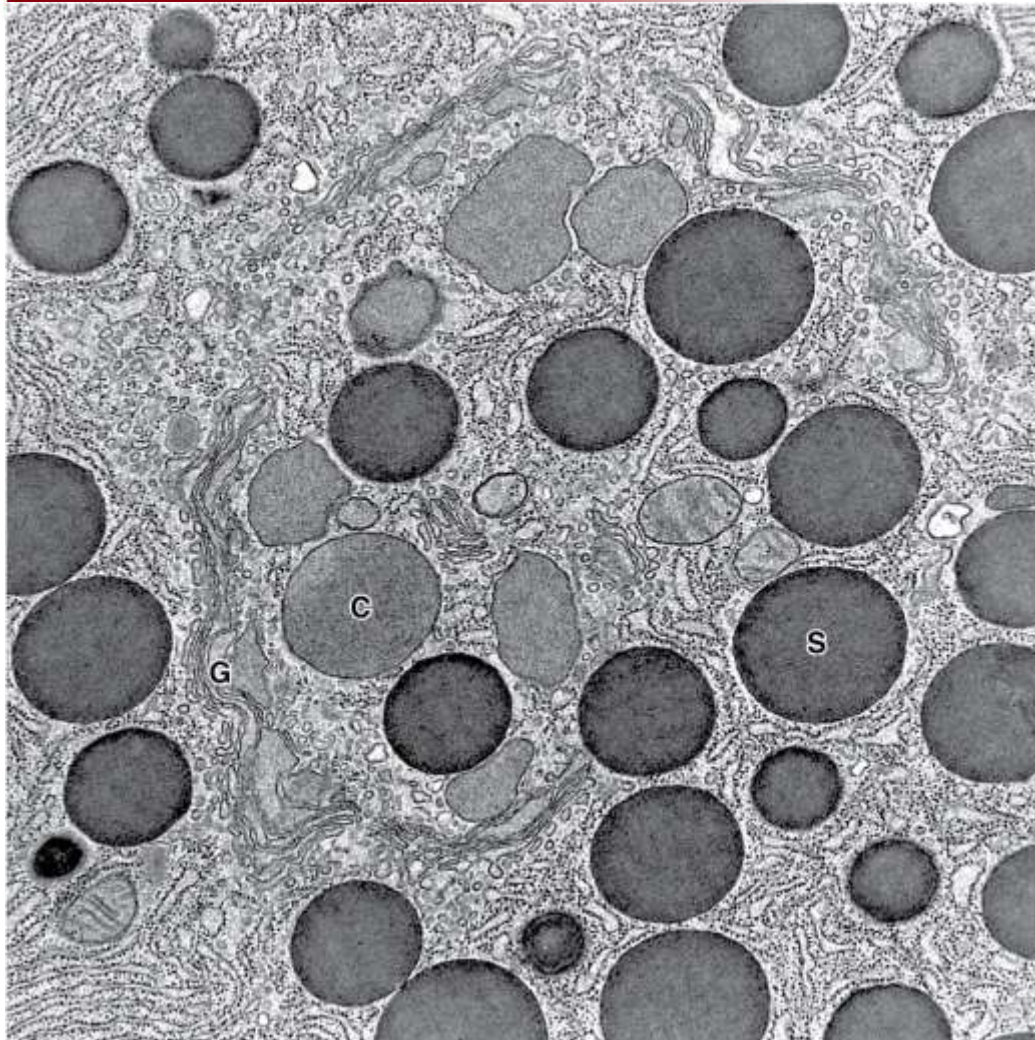


Synaptic vesicles – transmitters



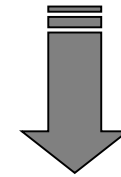


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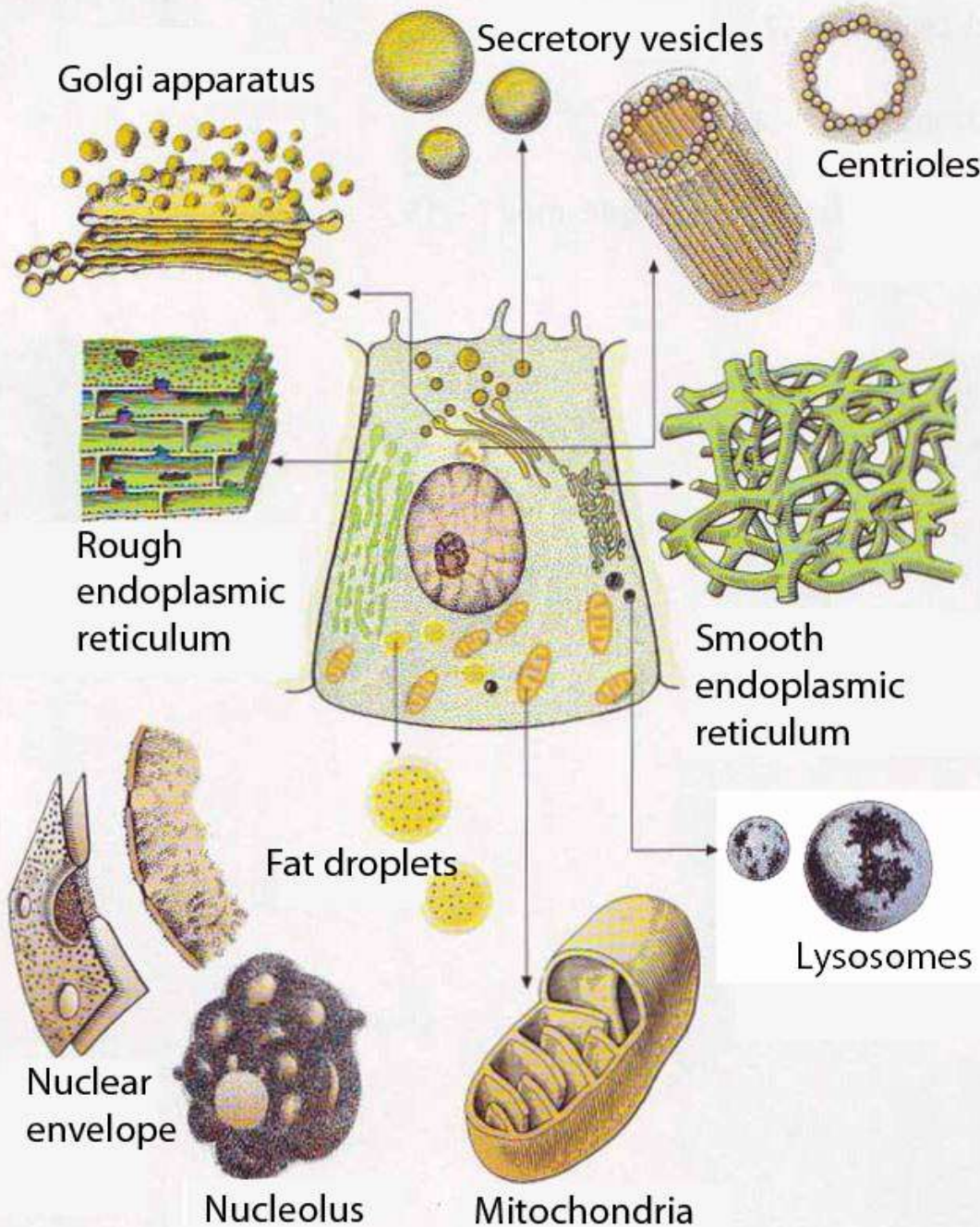


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## Lysosomes

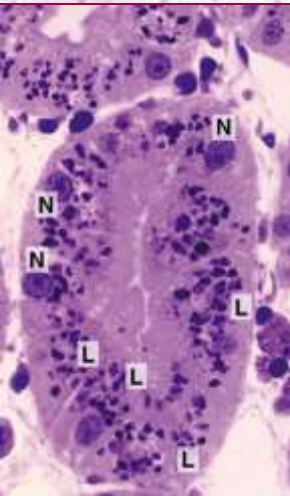


intracellular digestion





**Christian de Duve**  
(1917-2013)



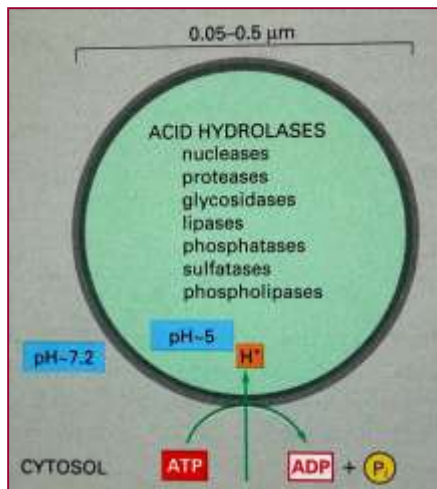
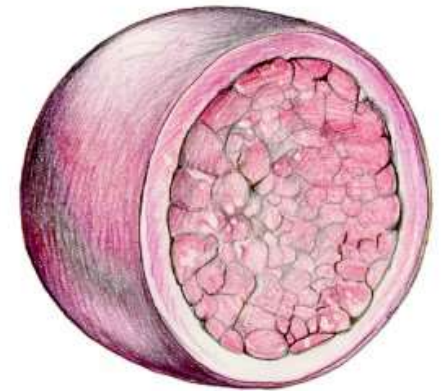
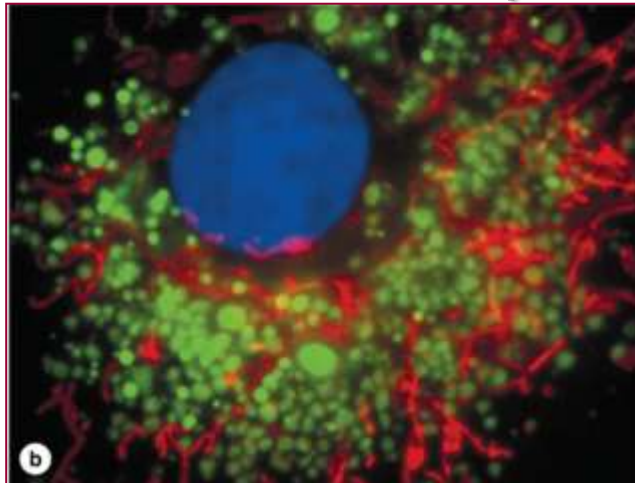
# Lysosomes

▪ (Gr. *lysis*, dissolution or destruction + *soma*, body)

▪ Discovered by Christian de Duve, 1955



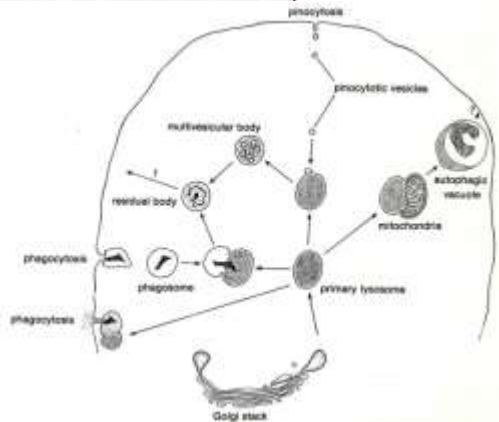
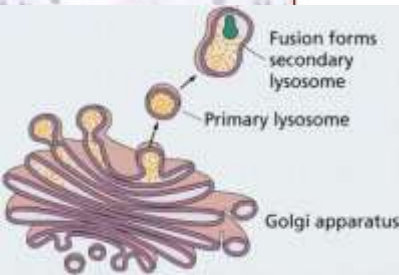
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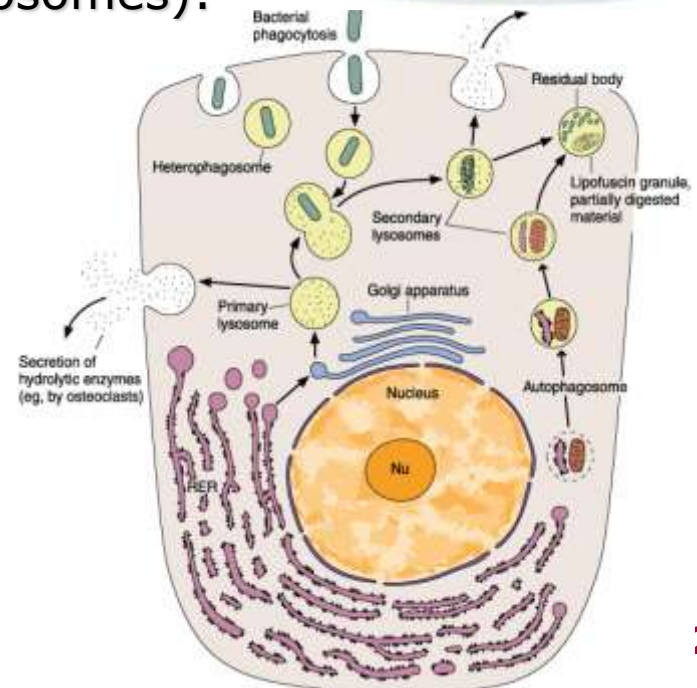
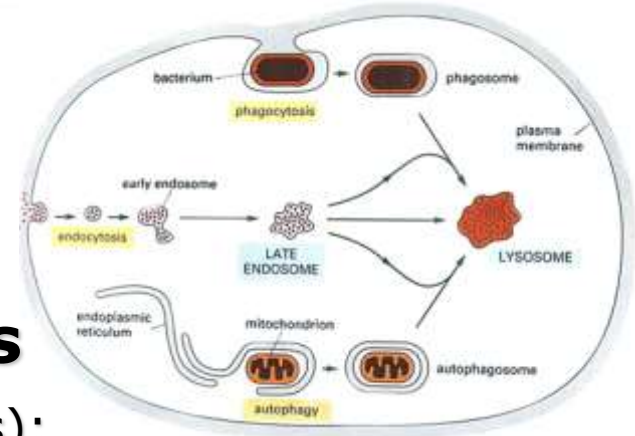
## Spherical organelles:

- ✓ size – 0.05-0.5 μm
- ✓ single layer (unit) membrane – 6 nm
- ✓ lysosomal matrix – pH 5 ⇒ favorable for enzymatic activity
- ✓ more than 40 hydrolytic enzymes

# Lysosomes – stages



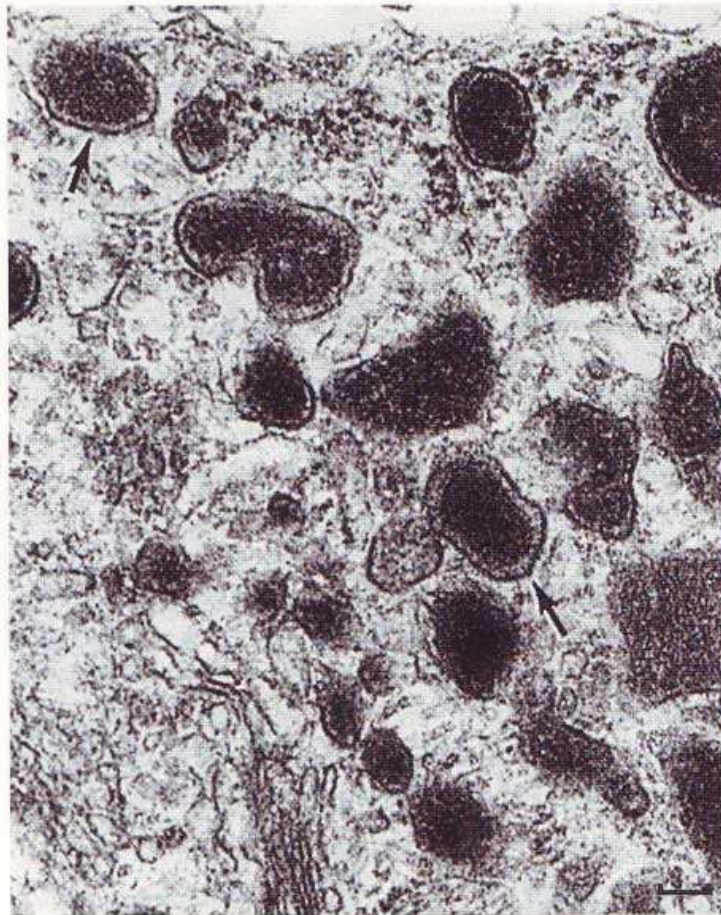
- **Primary lysosomes:**  
inactive enzymes
- **Secondary lysosomes**  
(phagosomes, phagolysosomes):
  - ✓ heterolysosomes  
(heterophagosomes)
  - ✓ autophagosomes  
(autophagic vacuoles)
  - ✓ residual bodies  
(telolysosomes)  
⇒ lipofuscin droplets
  - ✓ pinocytotic vesicles
  - ✓ multivesicular bodies



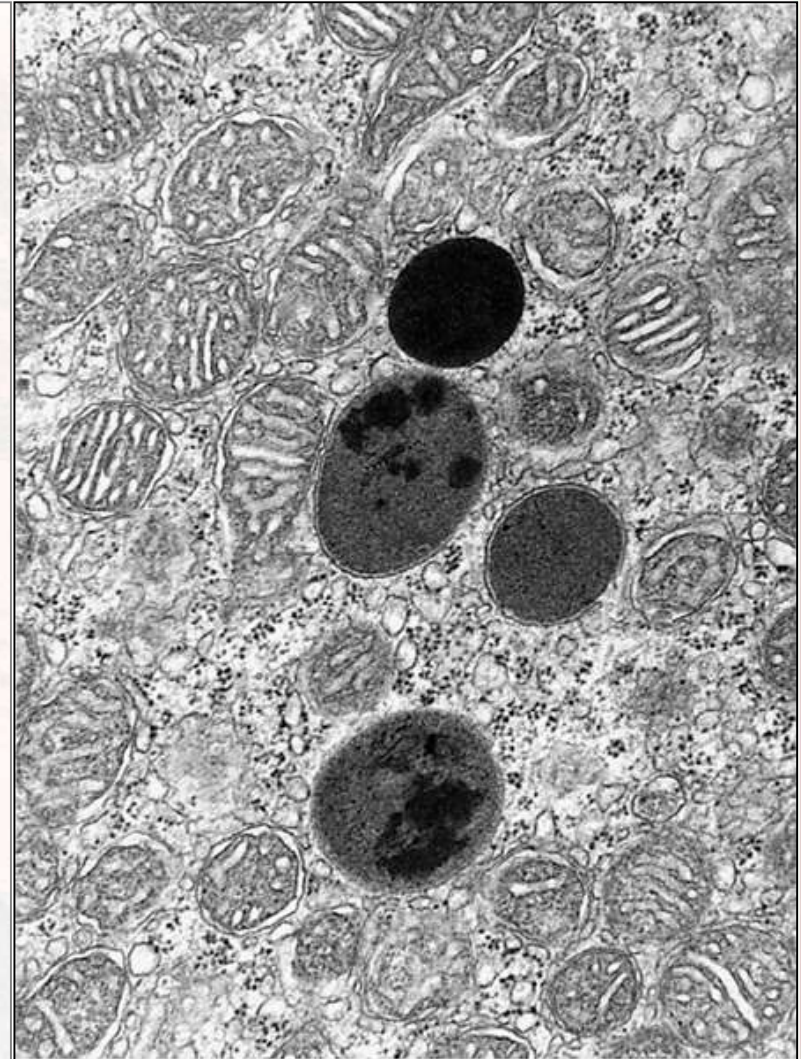




# Lysosomes – ultrastructure



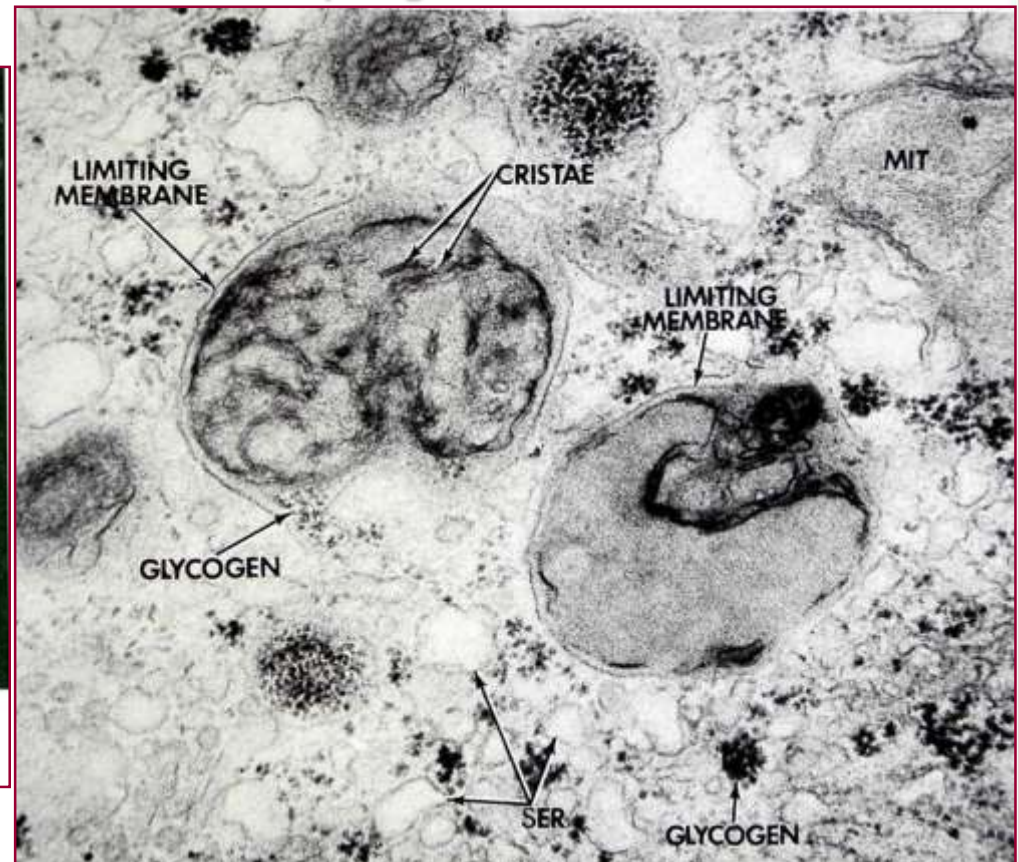
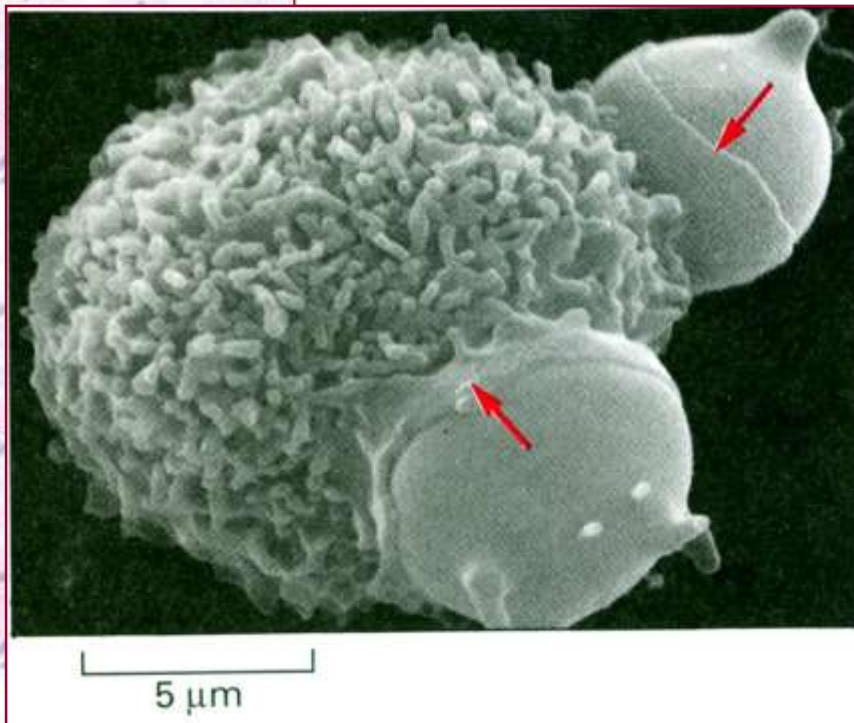
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# Lysosomes – "suicide-bags" or "suicide-sacs"

- (autophagy – self-eating, Gr. *auto*, self + *phagein*, to eat)
- controlled digestion of damaged organelles within a cell
- autophagic cell death – a form of programmed self destruction (autolysis)



- the cells' garbage disposal system

*"For the greatest benefit to mankind"*  
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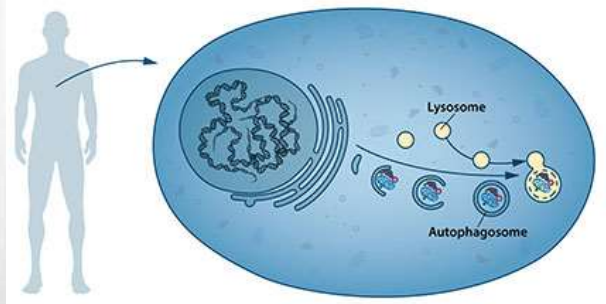
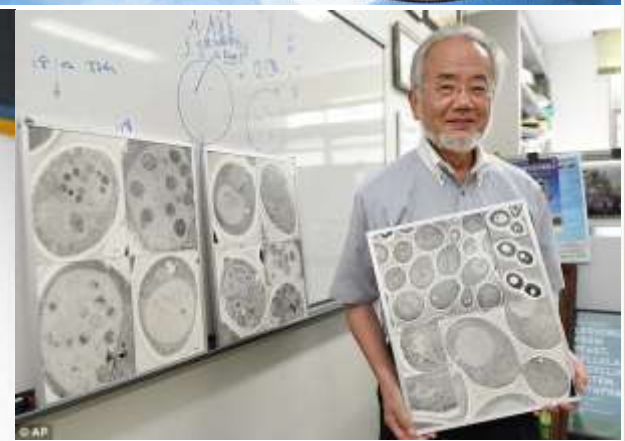
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**Yoshinori Ohsumi**  
*"for his discoveries of mechanisms for autophagy"*

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# Proteasomes

- multiple-protease complexes that digest proteins targeted

- There are two major intracellular devices in which damaged or unneeded proteins are broken down:

- ✓ lysosomes
- ✓ proteasomes

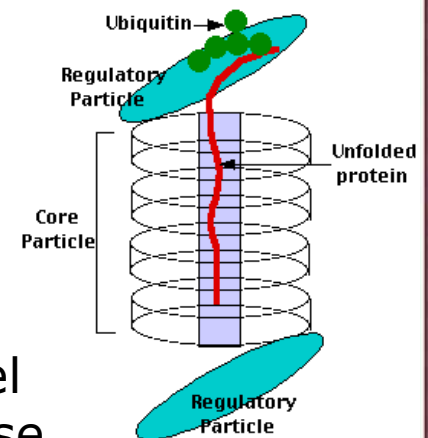
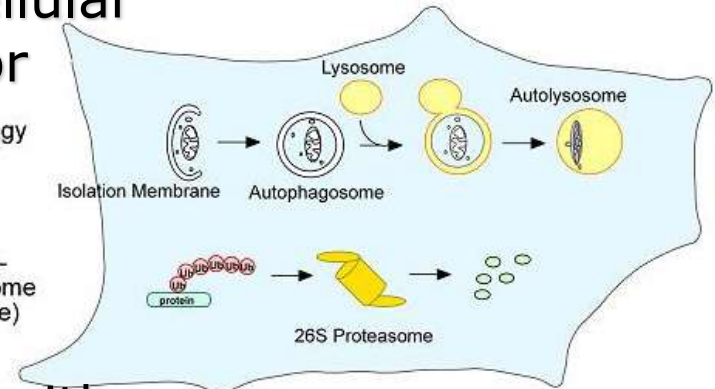
- Proteasomes deal primarily with proteins as individual molecules, whereas lysosomes digest bulk material introduced into the cell or whole organelles and vesicles

- Proteasome has:

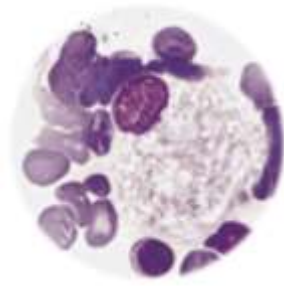
- ✓ a core particle with the shape of a barrel
- ✓ a regulatory particle that contains ATPase

Autophagy (bulk)

Ubiquitin-Proteasome (Selective)



The Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2004) was awarded to Aaron Ciechanover, Avram Hershko and Irwin Rose "for the discovery of ubiquitin-mediated protein degradation"



# Lysosomes – clinical relevance

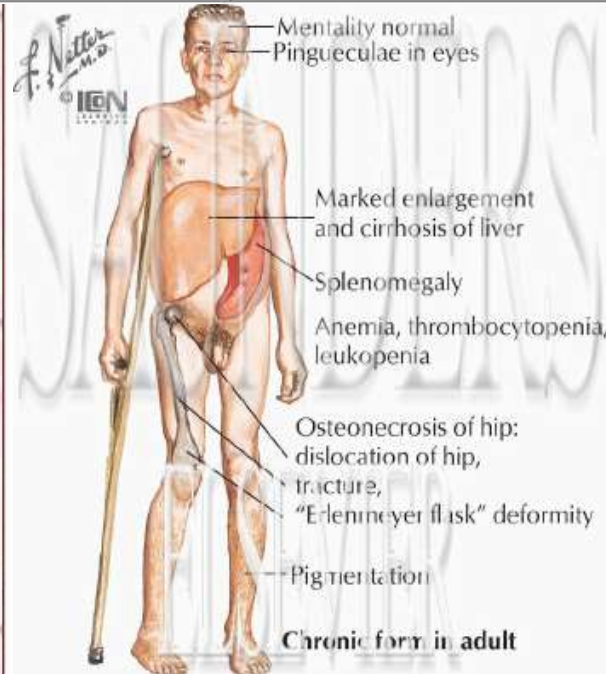
## ■ Lysosomal storage diseases:

**Table 2–3. Examples of Diseases Caused by Lysosomal Enzyme Failure and Accumulation of Undigested Material in Different Cell Types.**

Disease	Faulty Enzyme	Main Organs Affected
Hurler disease	$\alpha$ -L-Iduronidase	Skeleton and nervous system
Sanfilippo syndrome A	Heparan sulfate sulfamidase	Skeleton and nervous system
Tay-Sachs	Hexosaminidase-A	Nervous system
Gaucher	$\beta$ -D-Glycosidase	Liver and spleen
I-cell disease	Phosphotransferase	Skeleton and nervous system

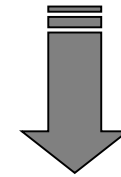


**Phillippe Gaucher (1854-1918)**

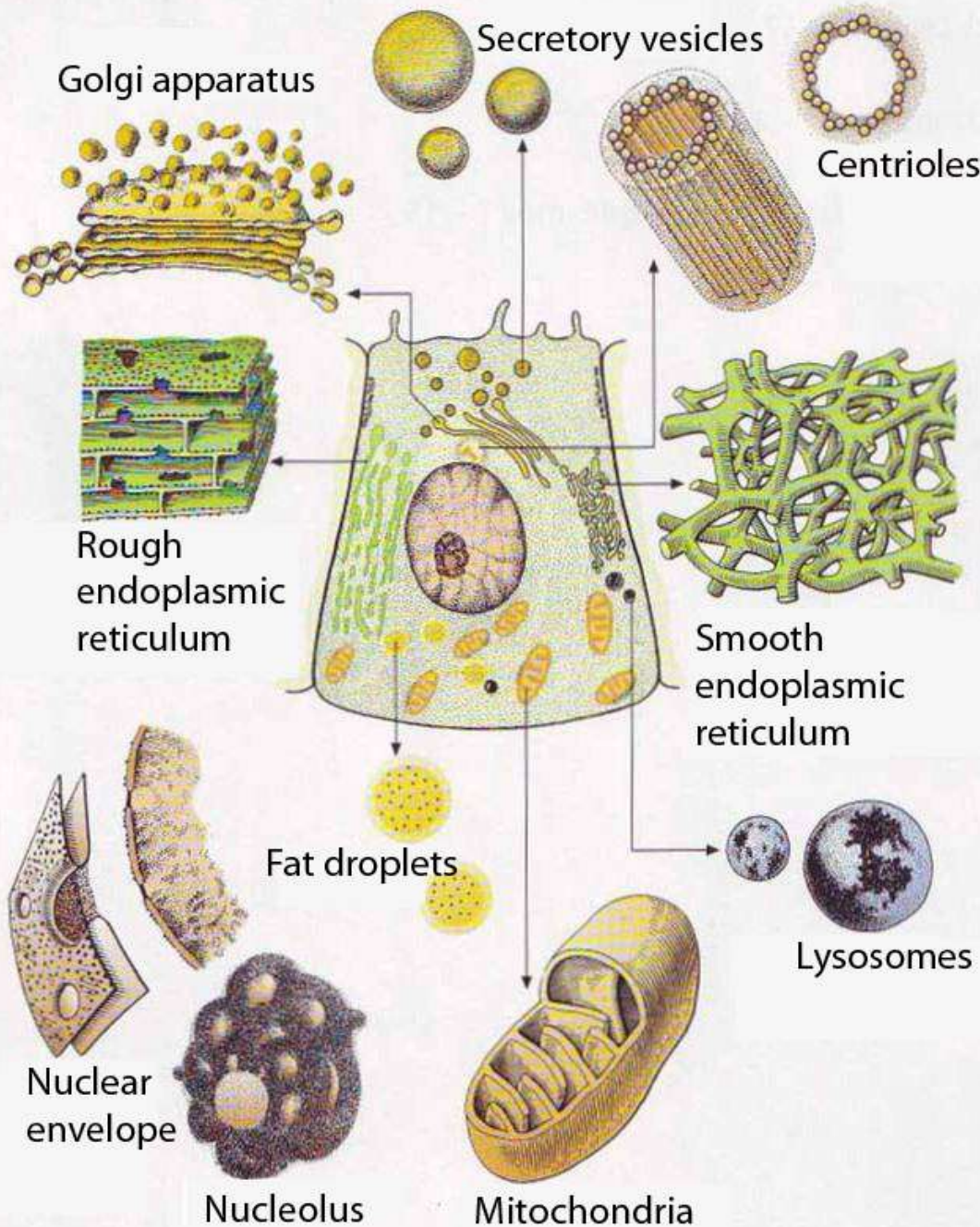


# Membranous Organelles

## Peroxisomes



sites for  
oxygen  
utilization



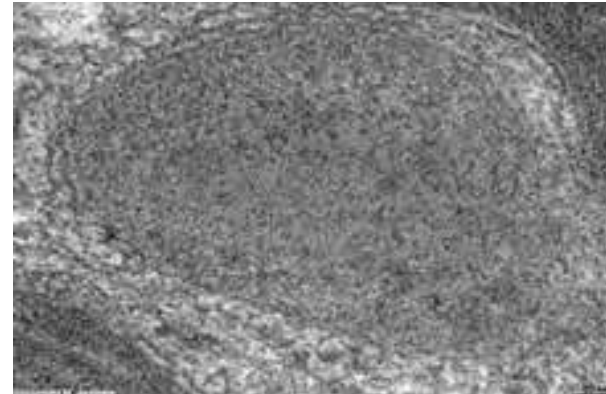
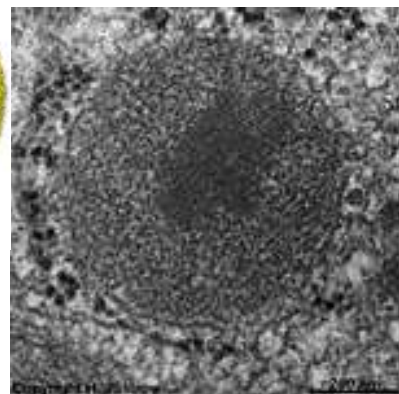
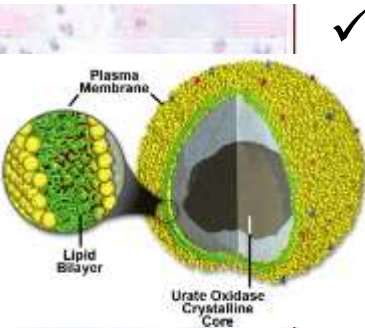
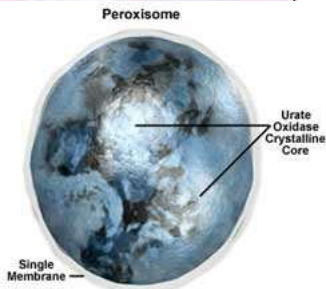
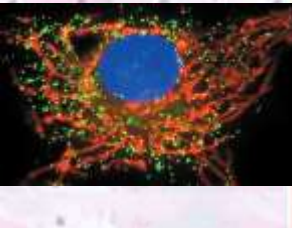
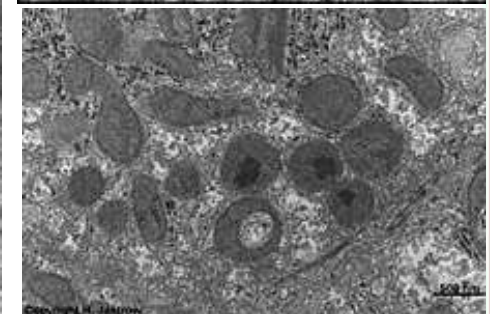
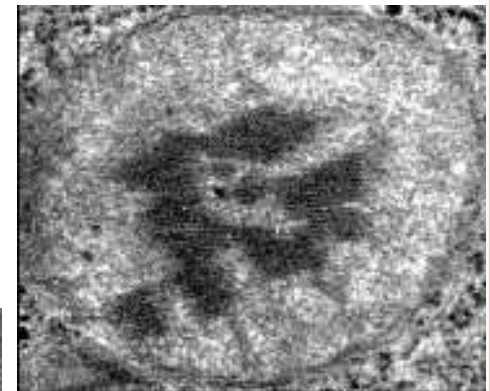
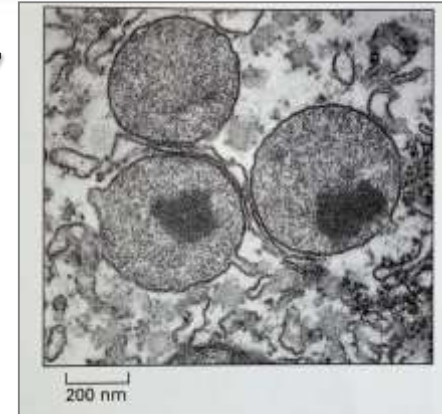
# Peroxisomes (microbodies)

identified by EM as organelles by Christian de Duve, 1967

- *Gr. peroxide + soma, body*
- microbodies: Rhodin, 1954

**Spherical organelles:** 70-100/cell

- ✓ size – 0.5-3  $\mu\text{m}$  (macroperoxisomes)
- ✓ microperoxisomes – 0.1-0.3  $\mu\text{m}$
- ✓ homogeneous matrix (crystalloid core or nucleoid)
- ✓ marginal plate
- ✓ single layer membrane – 6-8 nm





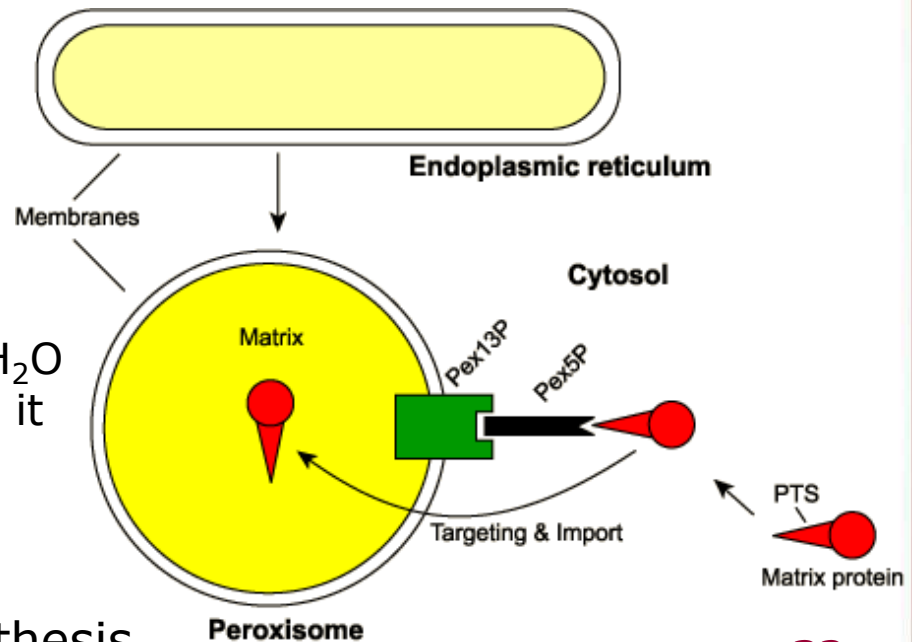
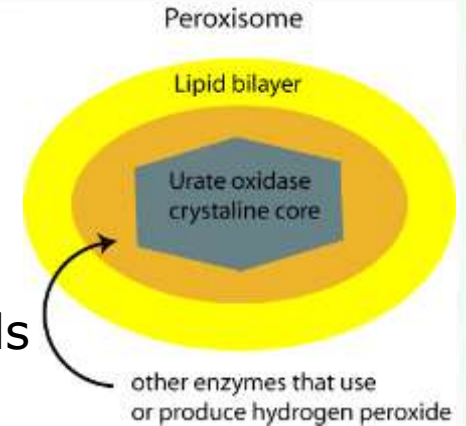
# Peroxisomes – structure and function

## Enzymes: >50

- ✓ catalase – 40%
- ✓ peroxidase
- ✓  $\beta$ -oxydase of very long-chain fatty acids
- ✓ D- and L-amino oxydases
- ✓ urate oxidase

## Functions:

- ✓ a compartment for oxidation reactions:
  - decomposes  $H_2O_2$  to  $H_2O$  and  $O_2$  and eliminates it
  - degrades several toxic molecules and prescription drugs
- ✓ involved in lipid biosynthesis
- ✓ important role in cellular respiration





# Peroxisomes – clinical relevance

## ▪ Peroxisomal disorders –

17 inherited metabolic diseases:

- ✓ Refsum's disease – leukodystrophy:
  - faulty enzymes during the alpha-oxidation of phytanic acid
- ✓ Zellweger syndrome:
  - deficiency in the protein import can lead to empty peroxisomes
- ✓ X-chromosome-linked adrenoleukodystrophy:
  - a defective integral membrane protein that participates in transporting very long-chain fatty acids into the peroxisome for  $\beta$ -oxidation



**Sigvald Bernhard Refsum**  
(1907–1991)



Figure 2. Characteristic: shortening of the fourth toe in Refsum's disease. A.J. Wilb, N.J. Manning and M.M. Rolly: Refsum's disease. Q J Med 2001; 94: 403–406



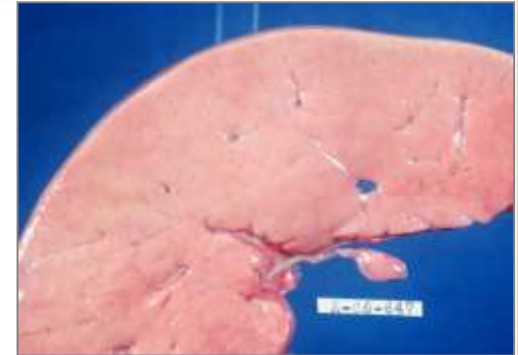
# Peroxisomes – clinical relevance



**Edgar Otto Conrad  
von Gierke  
(1877–1945)**

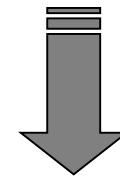
## ✓ Von Gierke disease:

- glycogen storage disease type 1
- impairment of glycogenolysis:
  - ✓ hypoglycemia
  - ✓ hyperlipidemia (excess acetyl CoA)
  - ✓ accumulation of glycogen in the liver and kidneys

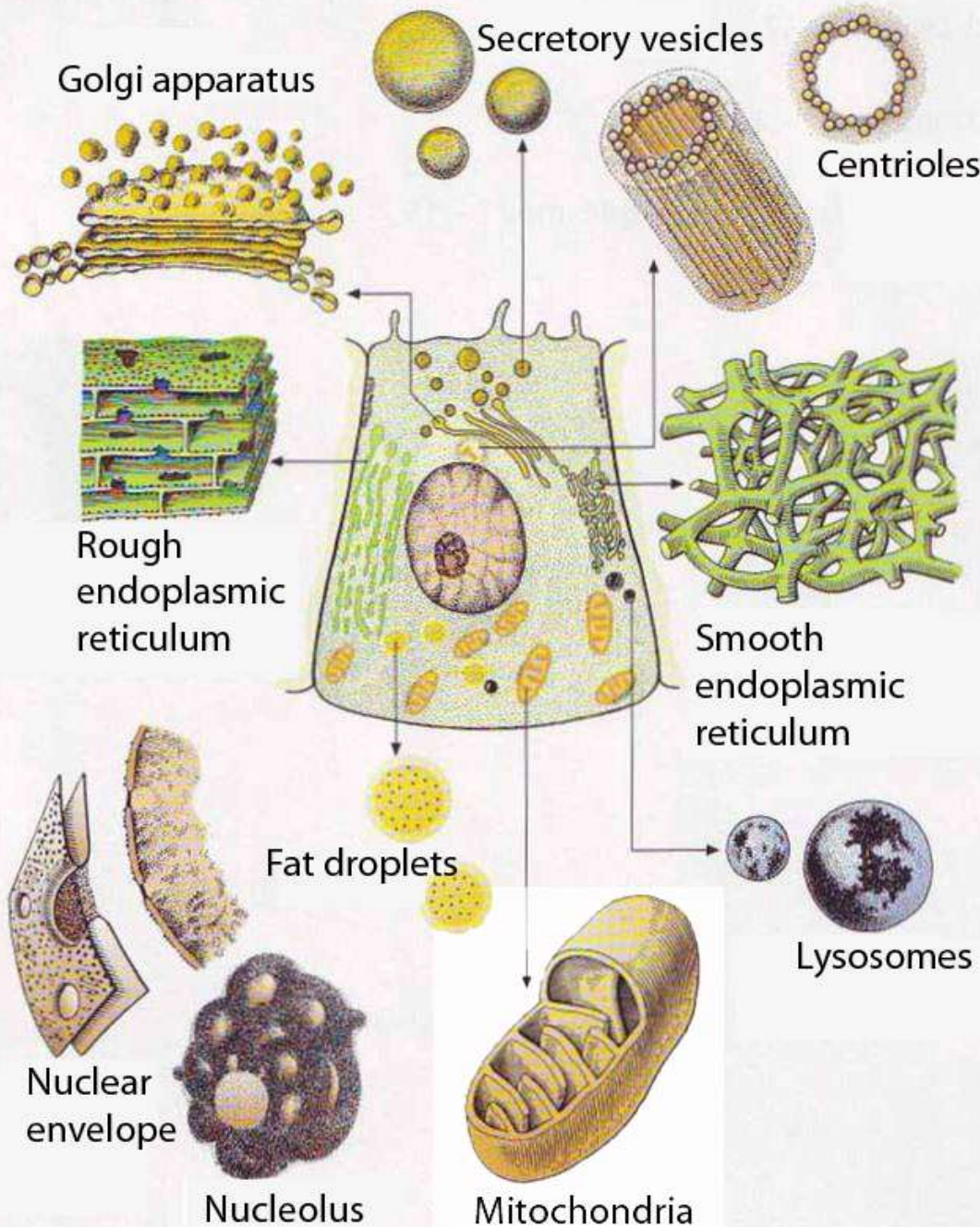


# Membranous Organelles

## Mitochondria



ATP and steroid synthesis



# Mitochondria



Mitochondrion

- vitally staining – Janus green B

- Gr. *mitos*, thread + *chondros*, granule:

Carl Benda, 1898

- First observations:

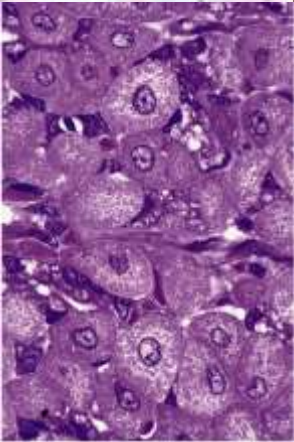
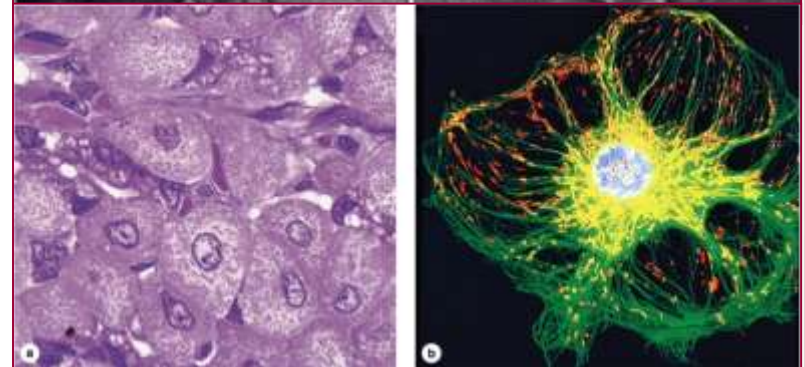
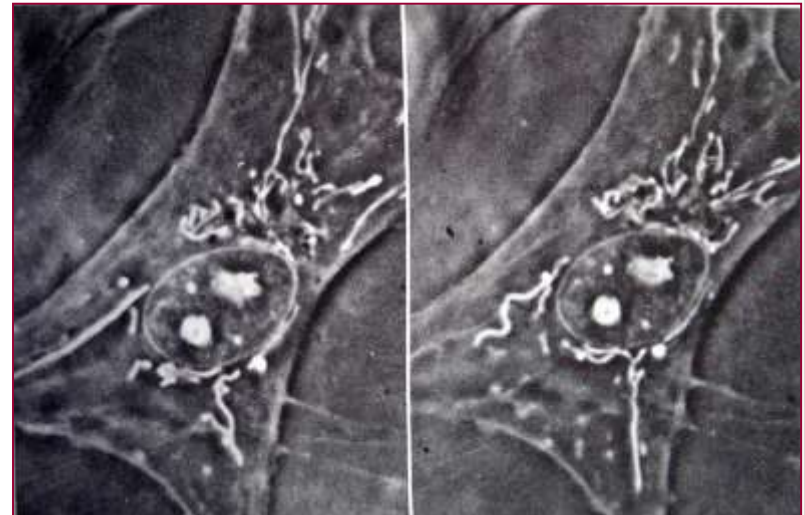
- ✓ Kölliker, 1850
- ✓ Flemming, 1882
- ✓ R. Altmann, 1890:  
bioblasts

- Size:

- ✓ 0.5-1  $\mu\text{m}$  wide
- ✓ length up to 10  $\mu\text{m}$

- Number – varying:

- ✓ fibroblasts – 100
- ✓ hepatocytes – 800 (25%)
- ✓ oocytes – 300 000



# Mitochondria – structure

■ Ultrastructure: G. Palade, F.S. Sjöstrand, 1952

■ **two mitochondrial membranes:**

✓ **outer** (6-7 nm) ~50% proteins and lipids:

- transport proteins (porin)
- enzymes: oxidases, hydrolases, transferases, enzymes of fatty acid metabolism, cytochromes

✓ **inner:** 80% proteins and cardiolipin

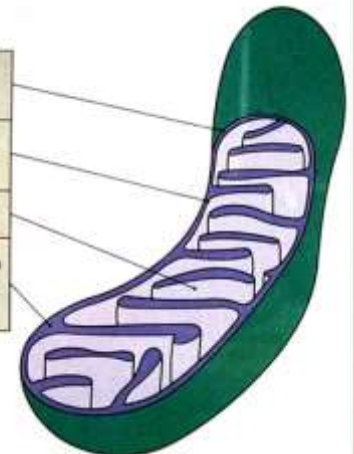
- reductases, oxidases, dehydrogenases, ATP synthase, transferases, cytochromes
- enzymes for oxidative phosphorylation and for electron transport system (cytochromes)
- forms cristae (tubules) – intracristal space
- attached elementary particles

■ **intramembranous space (outer chamber) – 4-10 nm**

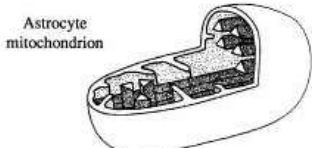
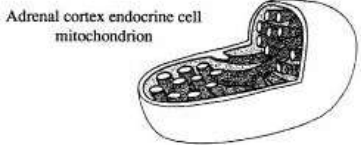
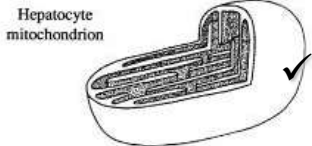
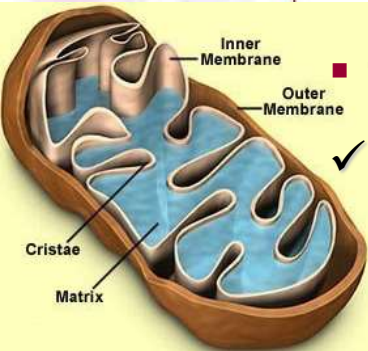
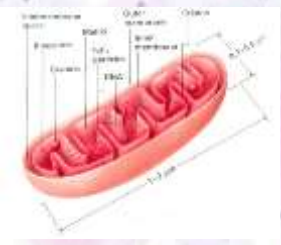
■ **matrix – intercristal (matrix) space**



Function of associated enzymes	
lipid synthesis fatty acid metabolism	Outer membrane
respiratory chain ATP production	Inner membrane
TCA cycle	Matrix
nucleotide phosphorylation (i.e. ADP → ATP)	Intermembranous space



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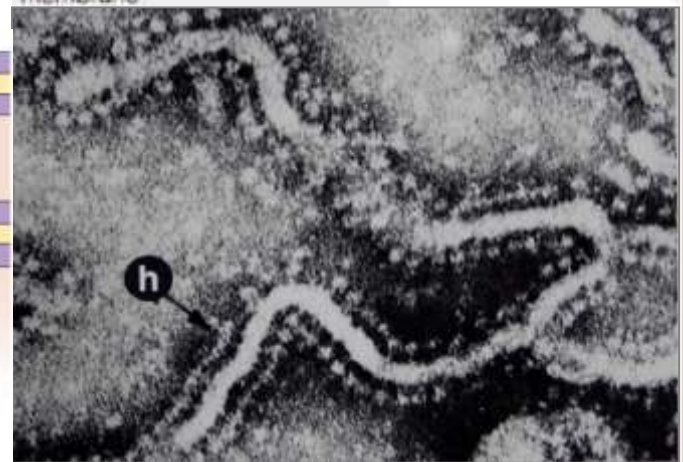
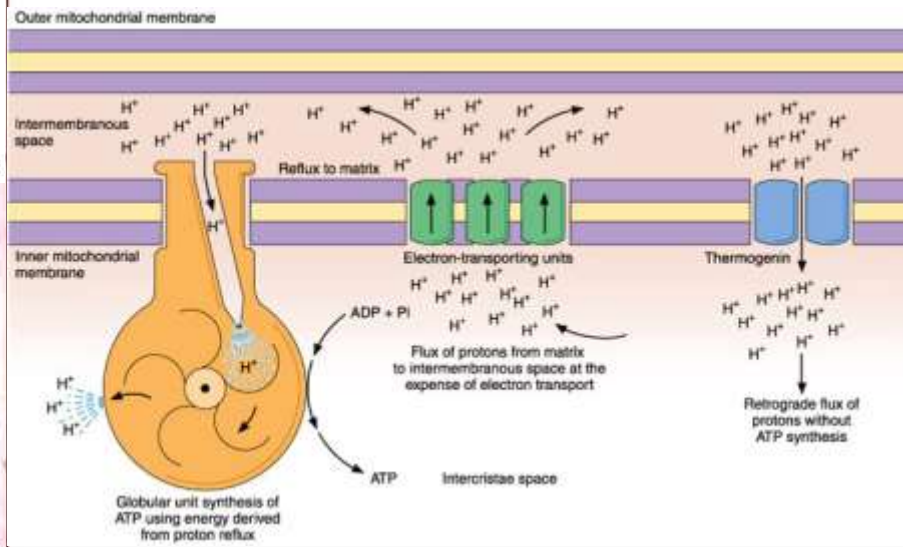
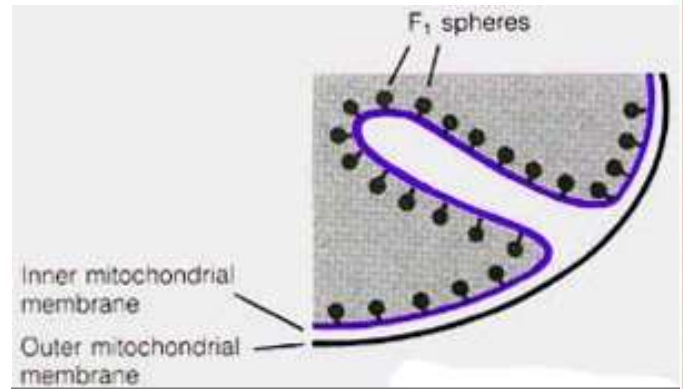
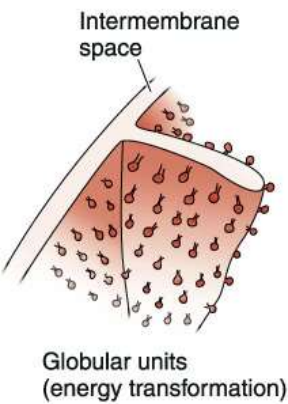




**Humberto Fernández Morán**  
(1924-1999)

# Mitochondria – structure

- **Elementary particles:** *Fernández-Morán*, 1962-1964  
( $F_1$ -spheres, oxisomes, ATP somes) = 10000-100000/cell; ~ 8-9 nm
  - ✓ tennis racquet-shaped structures:
    - spherical head 9-10 nm, ATP synthase
    - cylindrical stalk – 4-5 nm
    - basis – 11 nm
  - oxidative phosphorylation
  - synthesis of ATP
  - electron transport system (400 nm<sup>2</sup>)
  - artifact structures



# Mitochondria – structure and function



## ■ Mitochondrial matrix: (intercrystal space; inner chamber)

rich in proteins, DNA, RNA

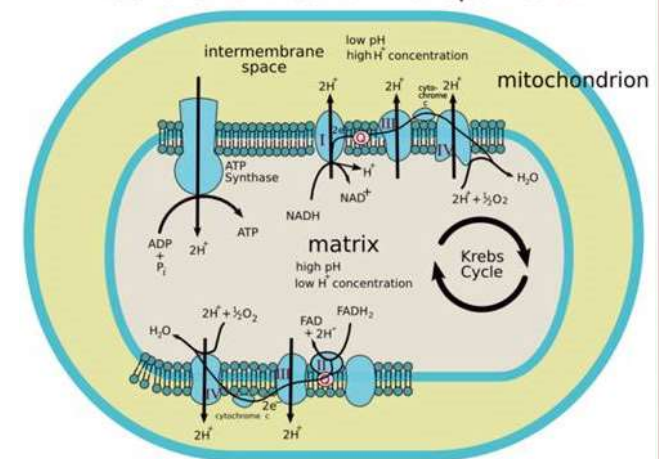
- ✓ matrix granules: 30-50 nm; storage site for divalent cations –  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$
- ✓ mitoribosomes (mrRNA): 15-20 nm
- ✓ mitochondrial mRNA, tRNA
- ✓ circular DNA: 2-3 nm
- ✓ RNA- and DNA-polymerases
- ✓ Krebs cycle enzymes
- ✓ enzymes for lipid synthesis
- ✓ enzymes for protein synthesis

## ■ Origin of mitochondria:

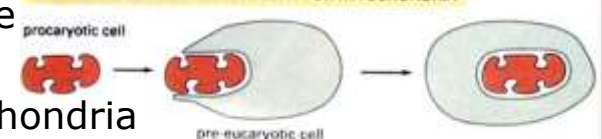
- ✓ evolutionary from an ancestral aerobic prokaryote adapted to an endosymbiotic life (intracellular symbiosis)
- ✓ new mitochondria – from preexisting mitochondria by growth and subsequent division (fission)



Mitochondrial Electron Transport Chain

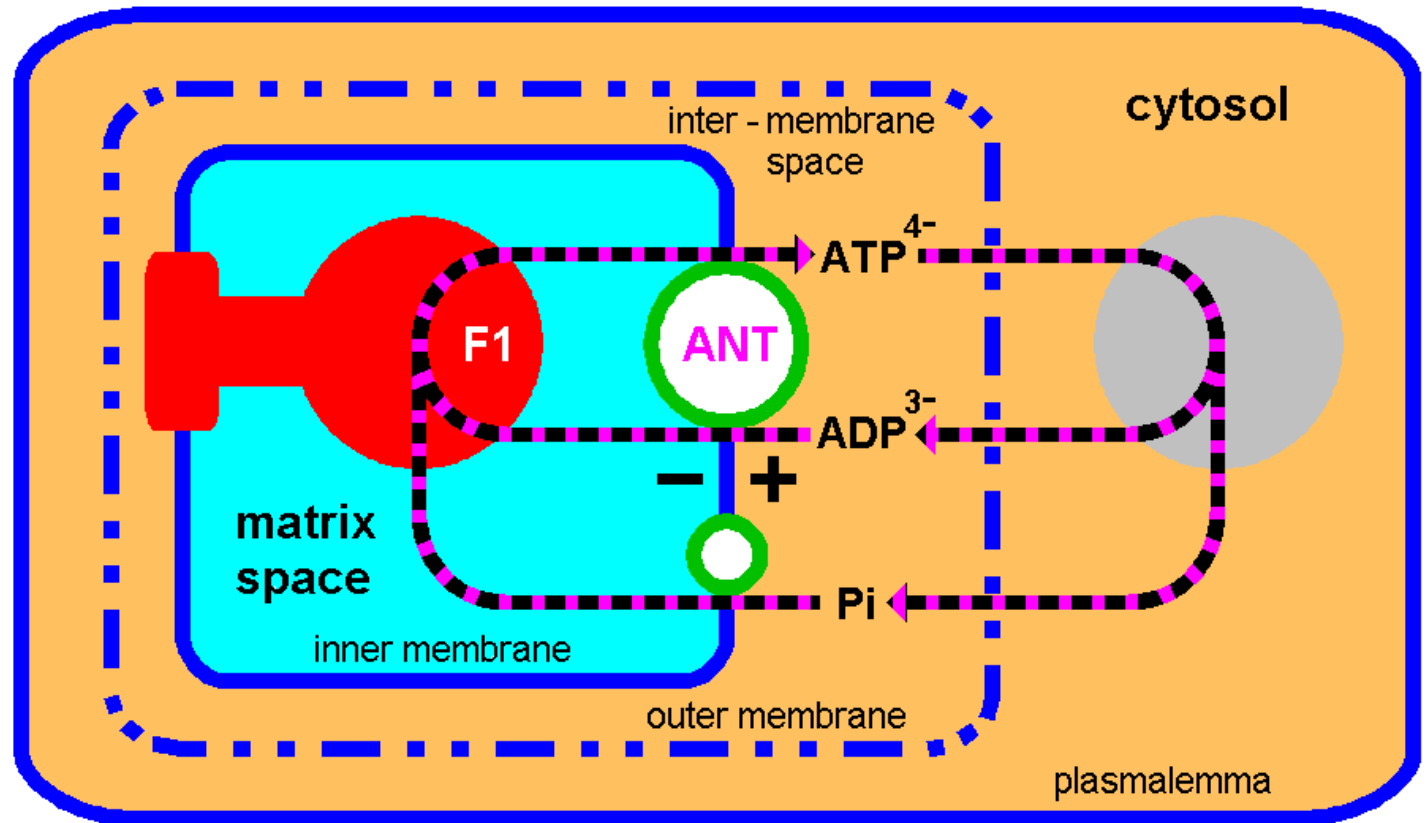


PROPOSED EVOLUTIONARY PATHWAY FOR MITOCHONDRIA





# Mitochondria – the power plants of the cell





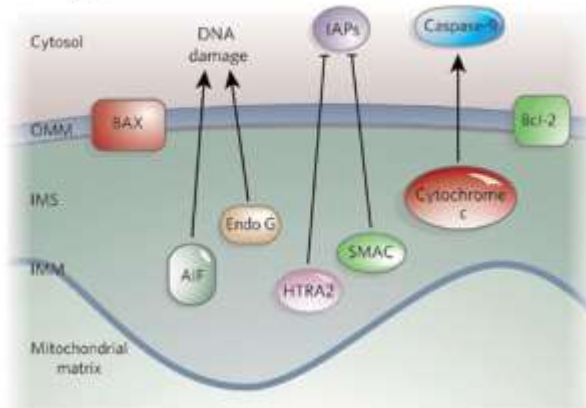


# Mitochondrial diseases

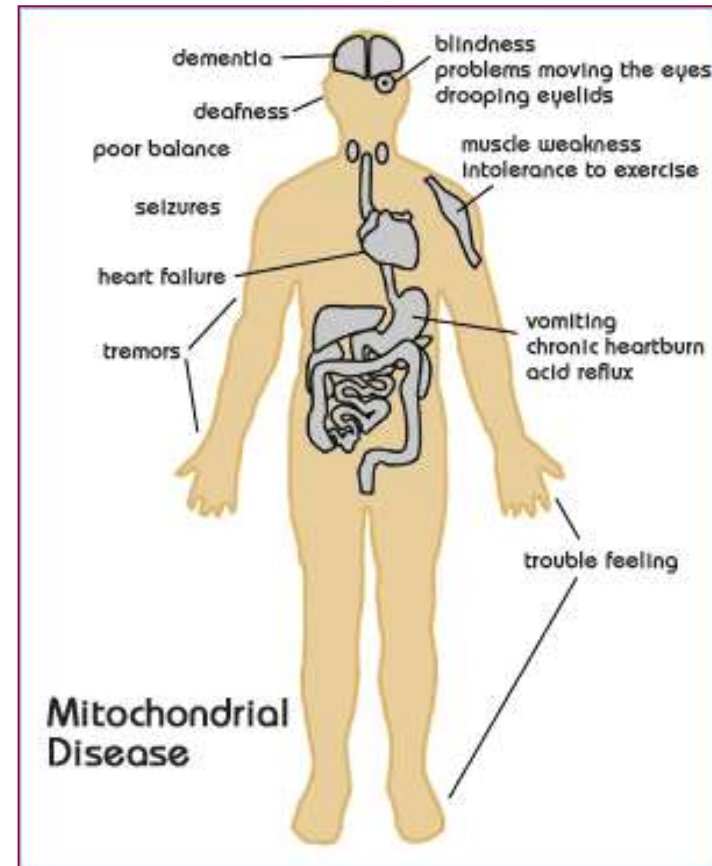
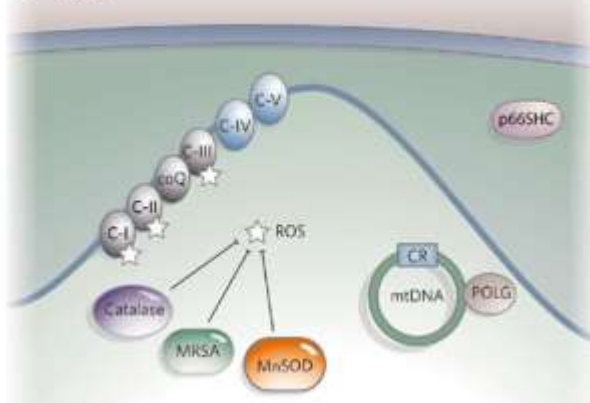
- ✓ mitochondrial disorders – more than 40 entities
- ✓ possible relationships to aging and death



a Apoptosis

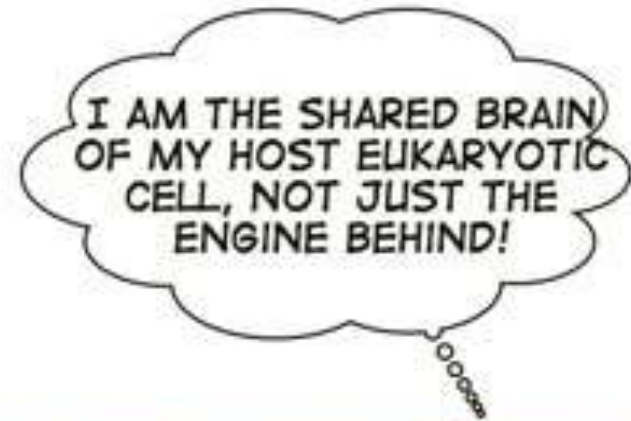
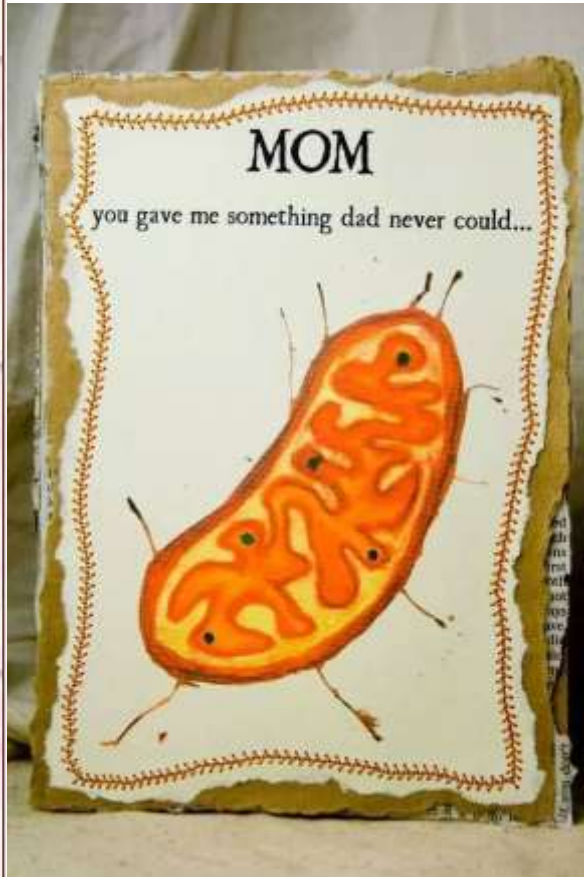


b Ageing





# Mitochondria – “the cell’s brain”



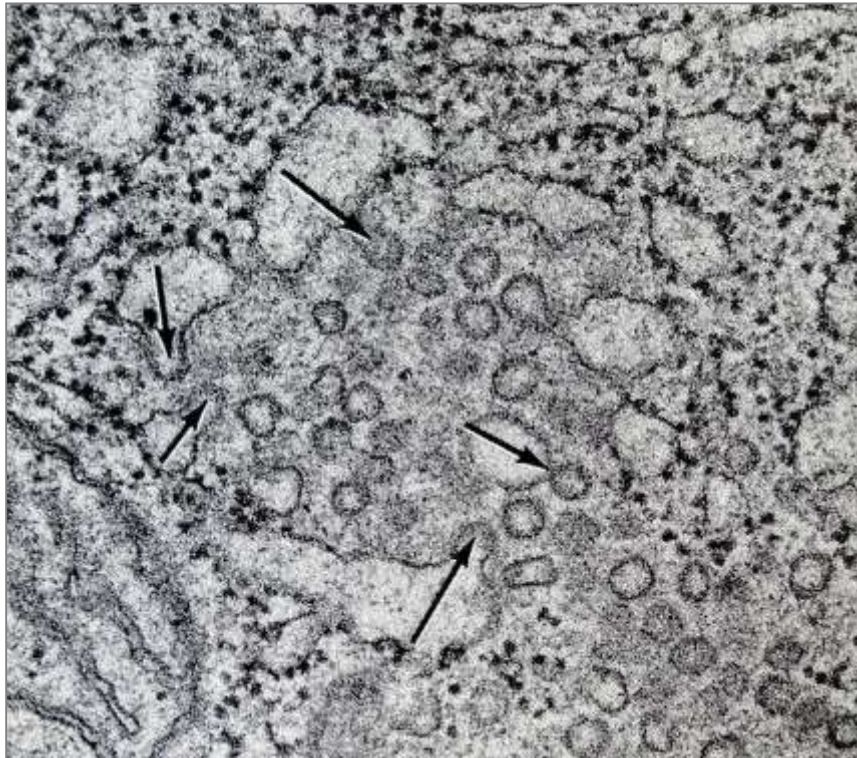


# Coated vesicles



**E.G. Gray, 1962** – coated vesicles

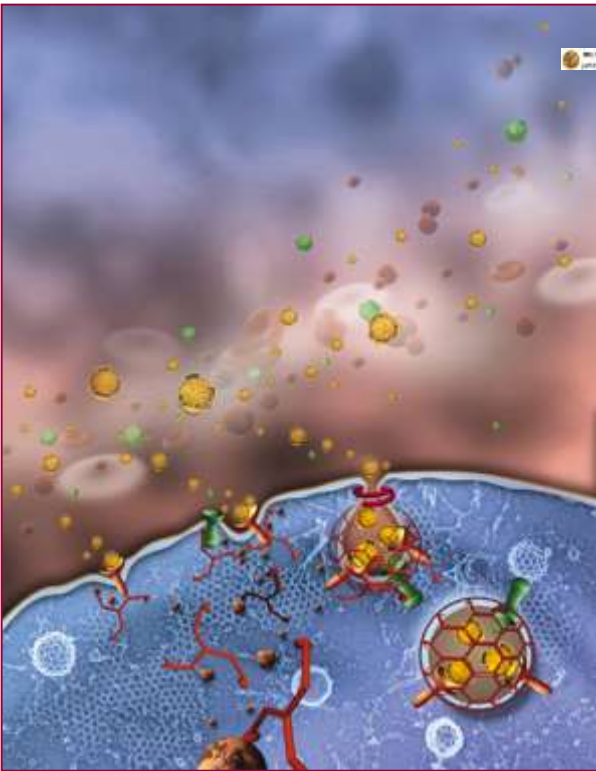
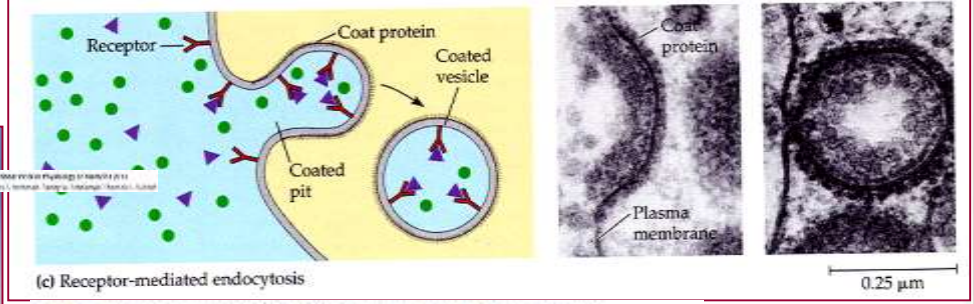
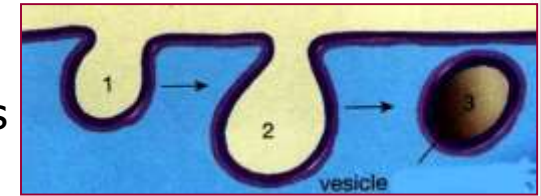
- ✓ size – 20-250 nm
- ✓ 6-8 nm spines
- ✓ single membrane – 7.5-8 nm





# Coated vesicles – types

- 3 types coated vesicles:
  - ✓ clathrin-coated vesicles – 6-8 nm spines
  - ✓ coatomer-coated vesicles
  - ✓ caveolae



The Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine 2013  
James E. Rothman, Randy W. Schekman, Thomas C. Südhof

*"for their discoveries of machinery regulating vesicle traffic, a major transport system in our cells".*



Photo: A. Mahmoud  
James E. Rothman



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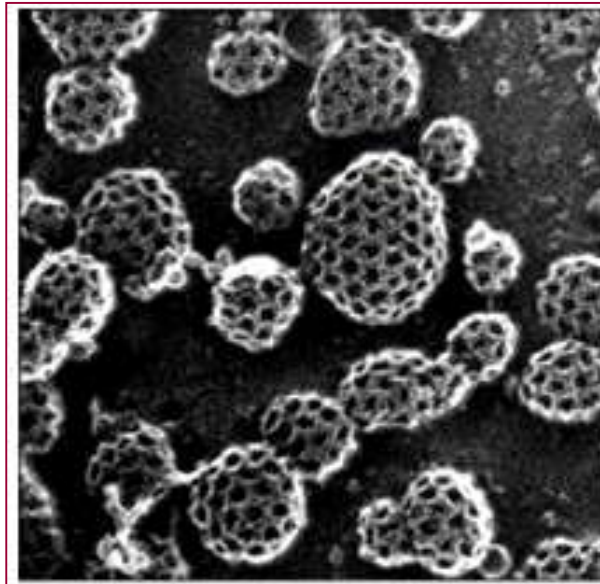
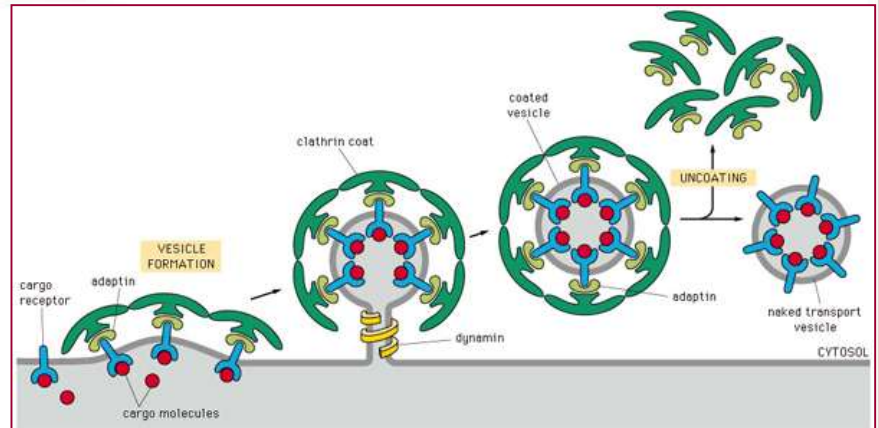
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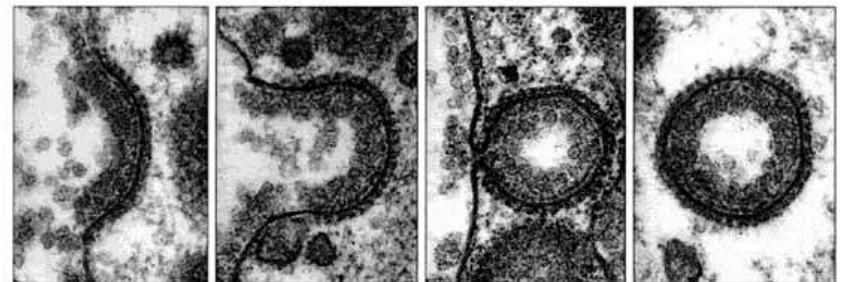


# Clathrin-coated vesicles

- ✓ mediate selective transport of transmembrane receptors
- ✓ transmembrane proteins (spines) 6-8 nm
- ✓ clathrin molecules, bound via adaptin
- ✓ formed by endocytosis or from the Golgi apparatus



## Formation of Clathrin-Coated Vesicles



- 2500 every minute
- CCV uncoat within seconds

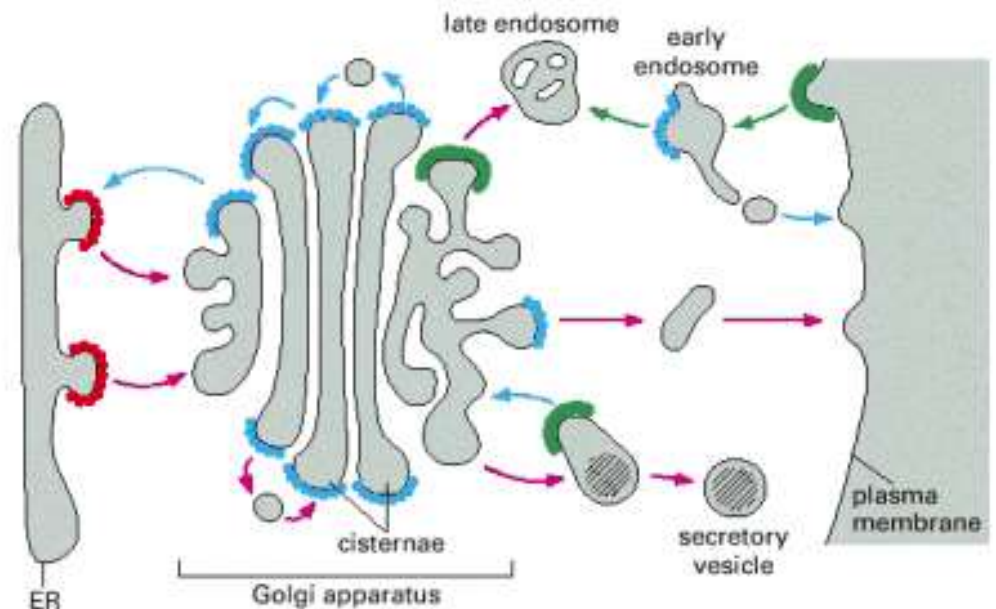
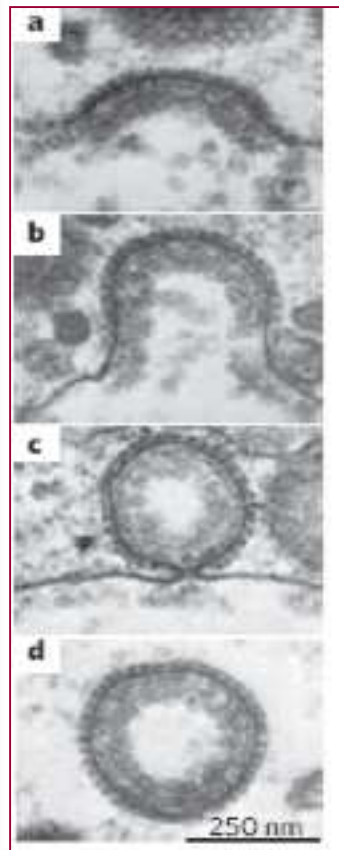
Clathrin-coated pits and vesicles **45**





# Coatmer-coated vesicles

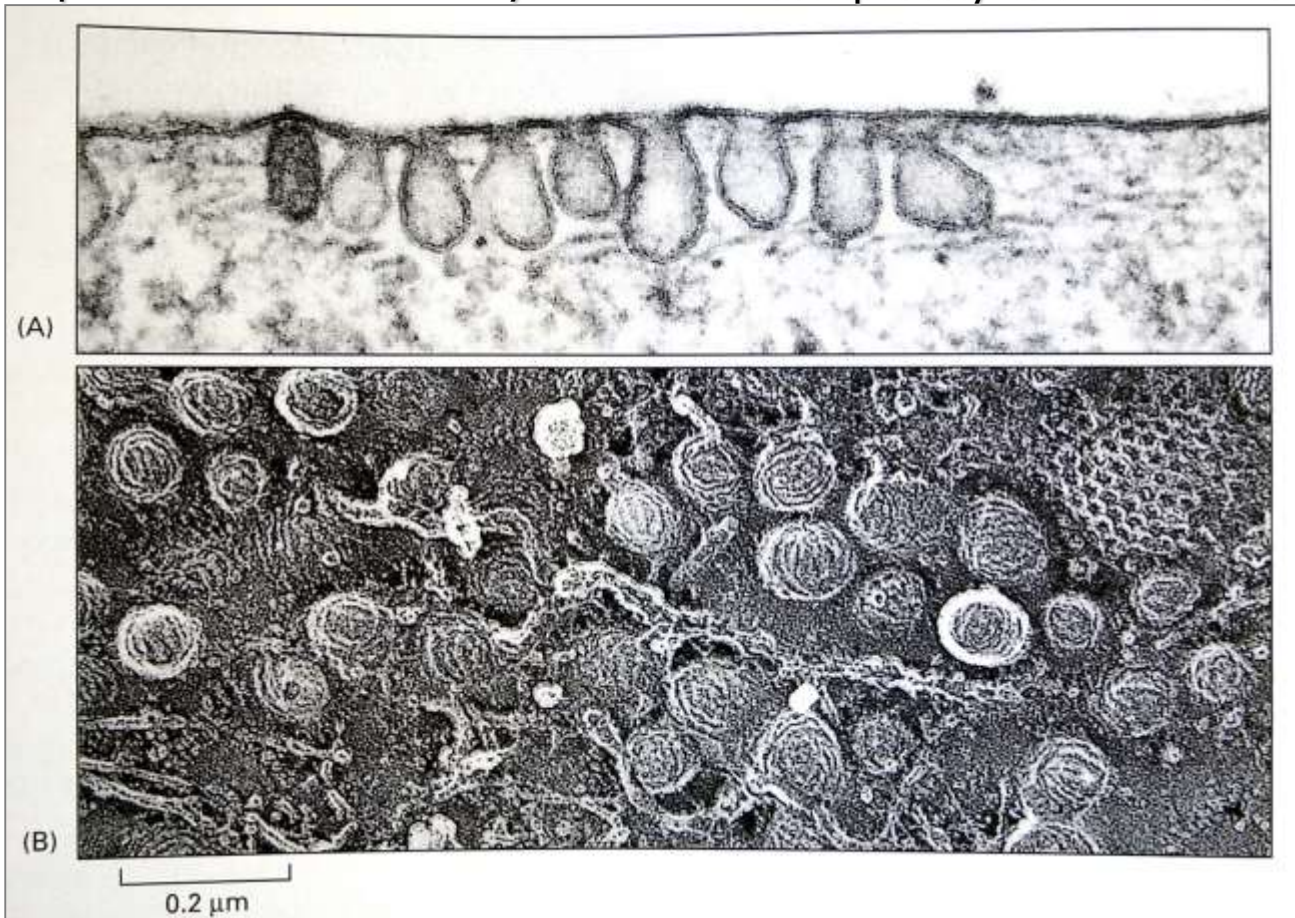
- ✓ COPII ( $\alpha$ -COP) – responsible for anterograde transport from the endoplasmic reticulum to the Golgi complex
- ✓ COPI ( $\beta$ -COP) – involved in Golgi to endoplasmic reticulum (retrograde) vesicle transport, and possibly also in intra-Golgi transport





# Caveolae

- Lat. for *little caves*
- ✓ small (50–100 nm) invaginations of the plasma membrane
- ✓ potocytosis – a type of receptor-mediated endocytosis
- ✓ in endothelial cells and adipocytes
- ✓ completely lack in neurons





*Thank you...*

