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INTRODUCTION



- The urinary system consists of two kidneys, two ureters, a urinary bladder, and a urethra.
- The kidneys alone perform the functions just described and manufacture urine in the process.
- The other organs of the urinary system provide temporary storage reservoirs for urine or serve as transportation channels to carry it from one body region to another..



URINARY SYSTEM







Functions of the Urinary System



- Filter.
- Waste processing.
- Elimination.
- Regulation.
- Other regulatory functions
- Conversion.





- Location. superior lumbar region;
- Positioning- the right kidney is positioned slightly lower than the left.
- Size-12 cm (5 inches) long, 6 cm (2.5 inches) wide, and 3 cm (1 inch) thick
- Adrenal gland
- Fibrous capsule-a glistening appearance.
- Perirenal fat capsule





- Renal fascia. -the outermost capsule,
- Renal cortex.-The outer region,
- Renal medulla -a darker, reddish-brown area,
- Renal pyramids.-triangular regions with a striped appearance
- Renal columns -pyramids are separated by extensions of cortexlike tissue
- Renal pelvis Medial to the hilum is a flat, basin like cavity





- Calyces- form cup-shaped areas that enclose the tips of the pyramid and collect urine
- Renal artery segmental arteries-each segmental artery gives off several branches called interlobar arteries.
- Arcuate arteries. -cortex-medulla junction, interlobar arteries give off arcuate arteries,
- Cortical radiate arteries.-Small cortical radiate arteries then branch off the arcuate arteries









NEPHRONS



- Nephrons are the structural and functional units of the kidneys.
- Nephrons- over a million tiny structures & is responsible for forming urine.
- Glomerulus -knot of capillaries.
- Renal Tubule
- **Bowman's capsule.** The closed end of the renal tubule is enlarged and cup-shaped and completely surrounds the glomerulus, and it is called the **glomerular** or Bowman's capsule.
- **Podocytes.** The inner layer of the capsule is made up of highly modified **octopus-like** cells called podocytes.









NEPHRONS



- Foot processes. intertwine with one another and cling to the glomerulus.
- Collecting duct. A collecting tubule called the collecting duct, which receives urine from many nephrons.
- Proximal convoluted tubule. The part of the tubule that is near to the glomerular capsule.
- Loop of Henle. The loop of Henle is the hairpin loop following the proximal convoluted tubule.







- Distal convoluted tubule.
- Cortical nephrons.
- Juxtamedullary nephrons.
- Afferent arteriole. The afferent arteriole, which arises from a cortical radiate artery, is the "feeder vessel".
- Efferent arteriole. The efferent arteriole receives blood that has passed through the glomerulus.
- **Peritubular capillaries.** They arise from the efferent arteriole that drains the glomerulus.



STRUCTURE OF URETER











- Size. The ureters are two slender tubes each 25 to 30 cm (10 to 12 inches) long and 6 mm (1/4 inch) in diameter.
- Location. runs behind the peritoneum from the renal hilum to the posterior aspect of the bladder
- Function
- The ureters are passageways that carry urine from the kidneys to the bladder
- It propel urine into the bladder by peristalsis
- Prevented from flowing back by small valve-like folds of bladder mucosa





STRUCTURE OF URINARY BLADDER







Urinary Bladder



- Location. retroperitoneally in the pelvis & posterior to the symphysis pubis.
- Function. urine storage.
- **Trigone-** The smooth triangular region of the bladder base outlined by these three openings is called the trigone, where infections tend to persist.
- **Detrusor muscles-** The bladder wall contains three layers of smooth muscle, collectively called the detrusor muscle, and its mucosa is a special type of epithelium, **transitional epithelium**.



STRUCTURE OF URETHRA





Prostatic urethra Membranous urethra Corpus spongiosum Penis Spongy

urethra

Bladder, right side view

FEMALE





URETHRA



- Internal urethral sphincter. At the bladder-urethral junction an involuntary sphincter that keeps the urethra closed
- External urethral sphincter. A second sphincter, the external urethral sphincter, is voluntarily controlled.
- Female urethra. The female urethra is about **3 to 4 cm** (1 1/2 inches) long, and its external orifice, or opening, lies anteriorly to the vaginal opening.
- Male urethra. In me, the urethra is approximately 20 cm (8 inches) long and has three named regions: the prostatic, membranous, and spongy (penile) urethrae; it opens at the tip of the penis after traveling down its length.

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CONCLUSION



- The **urinary system**, also known as the **urinary tract** or **renal system**, consists of the kidney, ureters, bladder, and the <u>urethra</u>.
- The urine is then passed through the ureters to the bladder, where it is stored.
- During urination, the urine is passed from the bladder through the urethra to the outside of the body.
- 800–2,000 milliliters (mL) of urine are normally produced every day in a healthy human.





