

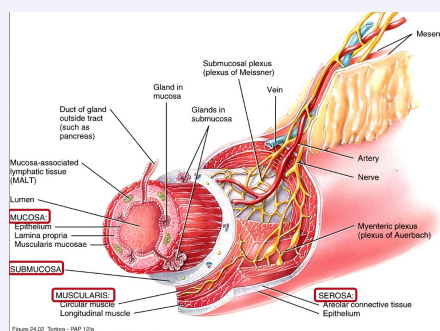
### Digestive processes

1. ingestion
2. secretion
3. motility
4. digestion
5. absorption
6. defecation

### visceral muscle contractions

oesophagus	peristaltic
stomach	peristaltic
small intestine	segmental, MMC
colon	segmentation, mass movement

### layers of the GI tract



### GI control

ENS	intrinsic set of nerves, neurons extending from esophagus to anus, 2 plexuses: myenteric (GI tract motility) & submucosal (controlling secretions)
ANS	extrinsic set of nerves; parasympathetic stimulation increases secretion & activity by stimulating ENS
	sympathetic stimulation decreases secretions & activity by inhibiting ENS

### regulation of acid secretion

atropine  
| muscarinic antagonist

NSAID'S & PG'S  
| PGE2 acid, misoprostol = PGE2 analogue

Proglumide  
| gastrin receptor antagonist

H2 receptor antagonists  
| cimetidine, ranitidine, famotidine

PPI'S - protein pump inhibitors  
| omeprazole, pantoprazole, rabeprazole, esomeprazole

### accessory organs

salivary glands	three sets: parotid, sublingual & submandibular
pancreas	endocrine - insulin & glucagon, exocrine - digestive enzymes & bicarbonate
liver	excretion of bile pigments (bilirubin & biliverdin), bile salts e.g. deoxychoilic acid emulsification of fats

### major structures

oesophagus
small intestine - duodenum, jejunum, ileum
large intestine - ascending colon, transverse colon, descending colon, sigmoid colon, rectum, anus

### hormonal control

gastrin  
| promotes gastric juice secretion, increases gastric motility, promotes growth of gastric mucosa

secretin  
| stimulates secretion of pancreatic juice & bile that are rich in bicarbonate ions

### hormonal control (cont)

cholecystokinin  
| stimulates secretion of pancreatic juice rich in digestive enzymes, causes bile ejection from gallbladder & opening of sphincter of hepatopancreatic ampulla (sphincter of Oddi), induces satiety

### saliva

mostly water (99.5%)

0.5% solutes - ions, dissolved gases, urea, nitric acid, mucus, immunoglobulin A, lysozyme & salivary amylase (acts on starch) & muramidase (anti-bacterial)

submandibular & sublingual glands produce mucin rich saliva

paratoid glands produce salivary amylase

salivated is controlled by ANS, parasympathetic stimulation promotes secretion of moderate amount of saliva, sympathetic stimulation decreases salivation

### small intestine

circular fols called the plicae circulares are permanent ridges of mucosa & submucosa that encourage turbulent flow of chyme

two muscle layers, has **serosa** not adventitia

absorptive cell - digests & absorbs nutrients

goblet cell - secretes mucus

enteroendocrine cell - secretes hormones secretine, cholecystokinin or GIP

paneth cell - secretes lysozyme & is capable of phagocytosis



### major valves - sphincters

oesophagus - upper oesophageal sphincter  
pharynx & oesophagus

oesophagus - lower oesophageal sphincter  
oesophagus & stomach

stomach - cardiac sphincter (LOS)  
oesophagus & stomach

stomach - pyloric sphincter  
stomach & duodenum

small intestine  
sphincter of Oddi

large intestine - ileocaecal sphincter  
ileum & caecum

large intestine - internal anal sphincter  
involuntary smooth muscle

large intestine - external anal sphincter  
voluntary skeletal muscle

### large intestine

approx. 5 feet in length

starts with ileocecal valve & has four parts:  
the cecum, colon (ascending, descending,  
transverse, sigmoid), rectum & anal canal

no circular folds/villi

mucosa = mostly absorptive epithelium  
mainly for water

microvilli are plentiful

interspersed goblet cells produce mucous  
but no digestive enzymes secreted

### gastric glands & cell types

surface mucous cell secretes mucus

mucous neck cell secretes mucus

parietal cell secretes HCl & intrinsic factor

### gastric glands & cell types (cont)

chief cell secretes pepsinogen & gastric lipase

G cell secretes gastrin hormone

### pancreas

lies posterior to greater curvature of stomach

pancreatic juice secreted into pancreatic duct & accessory duct & to small intestine

pancreatic duct joins common bile duct & enters duodenum at hepatopancreatic ampulla

pancreatic juice = 1200 -1500 ml daily, composed of mostly water, sodium bicarbonate (buffers acidic stomach chyme), enzymes (pancreatic amylase, proteolytic enzymes - trypsin secreted as trypsinogen, chymotrypsin, carboxypeptidase, elastase), pancreatic lipase, ribonuclease & deoxyribonuclease

histology: 99% of cells are acini, exocrine, secrete pancreatic juice (fluid + digestive enzymes)  
1% of cells are pancreatic islets (islets of Langerhans), endocrine, secrete hormones glucagon, insulin, somatostatin, & pancreatic polypeptide

### GI histology notes

oesophagus collapsible, muscular tube that lies posterior to the trachea & connects pharynx to stomach, has **adventitia**

stomach (internal anatomy) **rugae of mucosa**, oblique, circular & longitudinal layers of muscle

### GI tract functions

mouth bite, chew, swallow

pharynx & oesophagus transport

stomach mechanical disruption; absorption of water & alcohol

small intestine chemical & mechanical digestion & absorption

large intestine absorb electrolytes & vit B, K

rectum & anus defecation

### digestion phases

cephalic phase - stimulates gastric secretion & motility

gastric phase - neural & hormonal mechanisms

intestinal phase - neural & hormonal mechanisms



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