

Word Roots				Prefixes (cont)				Suffixes (cont)					
arthr: joint	chondr: cartilage	dermat / cutane: skin	encephal: brain	enter: first	primi-: first	-malacia: softening	-megaly: enlargement	-oma: tumor	-osis: abnormal condition; increase (blood cell)				
erythr: red	esthes: feeling	gastr: stomach	hemat: blood	hepat: liver	pseudo-: false								
hydr: water	hyster: uterus	immun: immunity	mening: meninges	hepat: liver	quadri-: four								
nas: nose	nat: birth	nephr / ren: kidney	neur: nerve	hepat: liver	retro-: backward, behind								
ot: ear	splen: spleen	stomat / or: mouth	therm: heat	hepat: liver	sub- / inter-: between								
				muscul: muscle	super-: upper, above								
				oste: bone	syn- / sym-: union, together, joined								
				ur: urine	tachy-: rapid								
					ultra- : excess, beyond								

Prefixes

-ac / -al / -ar:	-ar / -al: pertaining to	-ary / -eal / -ic / -ical: pertaining to	-cele: hernia, swelling
-clasis: to break; surgical fracture	-cyte: cell	-desis: binding, fixation	-dynia / -algia: pain
-ectomy: excision, removal	-edema: swelling	-emesis: vomiting	-emia: blood condition
-gen / -genesis: forming, producing, origin	-iasis: abnormal condition (produced by something specific)	-iatry: medicine; treatment	-ician / -ist: specialist
-ile / -ior / -ous / tic: pertaining to	-itis: inflammation	-lith: stone, calculus	-logy: study of
			-lysis: separation; destruction; loosening

Suffixes

-ac / -al / -ar: pertaining to	-ary / -eal / -ic / -ical: pertaining to	-cele: hernia, swelling	-cepsis: surgical puncture	-rrhea: discharge, flow	-rrhexis: rupture	-scler: abnormal condition of hardening
-clasis: to break; surgical fracture	-cyte: cell	-desis: binding, fixation	-dynia / -algia: pain	-ectasis: dilation, expansion	-stomy: forming an opening	-tome: instrument to cut
-ectomy: excision, removal	-edema: swelling	-emesis: vomiting	-emia: blood condition	-stria: a line or groove	-y : condition; process	
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a- / an-: without, not
ab-: from, away from
ad-: toward
an-: without
anti- / contra: against
bi-: two
brady-: slow
dia- / trans-: through, across
dipl- / diplo-: double
dys-: bad; painful; difficult
ecto- / exo- / extra-: outside, outward
endo- / intra-: in, within
epi-: above, upon
eu-: good, normal
hemi-: one half
hetero-: different
homo- / homeo-: same
hyper-: excessive, above normal
hypo-: under, below, deficient
infra-: under, below
macro-: large
mal-: bad
micro-: small
mono- / uni-: one
pan-: all
para-: near; beyond
peri- / circum-: around
poly- / multi-: many, much
post-: after, behind
pre- / pro-: before, in front of



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