

The Reproductive Systems

1. Purpose of Sexual Reproduction
2. Origin of Reproductive Organs
 - A. Genital Tercle
3. Male Reproductive Anatomy and Physiology
 - A. Testes
 - i. Development and Decent
 - a. Retroperitoneal
 - b. Initial Development
 - c. Decent
 - d. Inguinal Canal
 - ii. Location and Anatomical Considerations
 - a. Scrotum
 - b. Spermatic Cord
 - c. Cremaster Muscles
 - d. Dartos Muscle
 - e. Median Septum
 - f. Tunica Albuginea
 - g. Septa

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- Lobules
- iii. Seminiferous Tubules
- a. Germinal Tissue
 - b. Spermatogenic Cells
 - c. Sustentacular Cells
 - Nourishment
 - Androgen-Binding Protein
 - Inhibin
 - Blood-Testis Barrier - (Study images online – see image bank search tool)
 - * Tight Junctions
 - * Basal and Apical Compartments
 - * Function
 - d. Interstitial Endocrinocytes
 - Testosterone
- B. Sperm
- i. Anatomy
 - a. Head
 - Acrosome
 - b. Middle Piece
 - Mitochondria

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c. Tail: Flagellum

d. Sperm Count

- Normal
- Infertility
- Sterile

e. Maturation

C. Accessory Ducts

i. Epididymis

a. Functions

b. Anatomy

- Head
- Body
- Tail

ii. Ductus Deferens

iii. Ejaculatory Duct

iv. Urethra

a. Prostatic Portion

b. Membranous Portion

c. Penile (Spongy) Portion

D. Accessory Glands

- Semen

i. Seminal Vesicles

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- a. Location
 - b. Functions
 - c. Sympathetic Innervation
 - ii. Prostate Gland
 - iii. Bulbourethral Glands (Cowper's glands)
- E. Semen
- F. Penis
- i. Urethra
 - ii. Erectile Tissue
 - a. Corpora Cavernosa
 - Venous Sinusoids
 - b. Corpus Spongiosum
 - c. Glans Penis
 - d. Prepuce (Foreskin)
 - Circumcision.
- G. Hormonal Regulation (*Pull out handout on “Male Hormonal Regulation”*)
- i. Interstitial Endocrinocytes
 - a. Testosterone
 - FSH and LH

b. Inhibin

4. Female Reproductive Anatomy and Physiology

A. Review and Introduction to the System

B. Locations and Supportive Ligaments or organs

- i. Broad Ligament
- ii. Mesovarian
- iii. Ovarian Ligament
- iv. Suspensory Ligament

C. Ovaries

- Oogenesis

i. Cortex

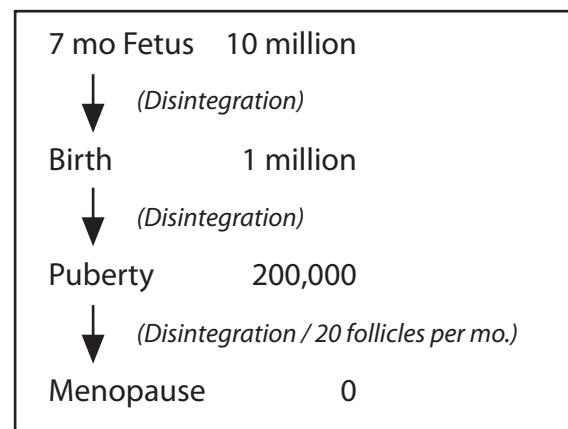
- a. Tunica Albuginea
- b. Follicles

- Primordial Follicles

* Primary Oocyte

- Ovarian Follicles
- Corpus Luteum
- Corpus Albicans

* Relaxin



D. Ovulation

i. Uterine Tubes

a. Regions

- Infundibulum
- Ampulla
- Isthmus

b. Histology

- Serous Membrane
- Muscularis
- Mucous Membrane

E. Fimbriae

F. Uterus

i. Ligaments

- a. Round Ligaments
- b. Broad Ligaments
- c. Fundus
- d. Body
- e. Cervix.
- f. Isthmus
- g. Cervical Canal

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h. Uterine Cavity

ii. Uterine Tissues

a. Serosal Layer

b. Myometrium

c. Endometrium

- **Tissue Layers:**

- * Stratum Functionalis

- * Stratum Basalis

- Hormone Regulation (See Handout)

- * Estrogen

- * Progesterone

5. Hormonal Regulation in the Nonpregnant Female (See Handout)

A. Cycles

i. Menstrual Cycle

ii. Ovarian Cycle

B. Regulatory Hormones and Essential Functions

i. Gonadotropin-Releasing Hormone (GnRH)

- a. Anterior Pituitary Gland

b. Stimulatory Effects on Production of Follicle Stimulating Hormone and Luteinizing Hormones

ii. Follicle-Stimulating Hormone (FSH)

a. Effect on ~20 Primordial Follicles

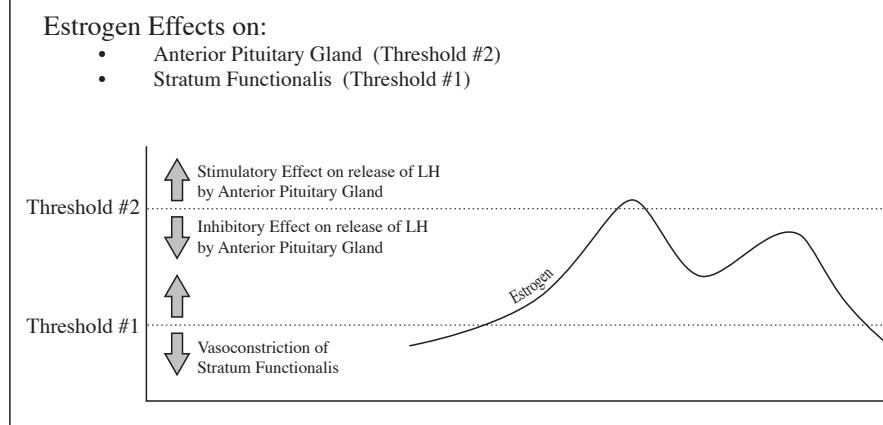
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iv. Estrogen

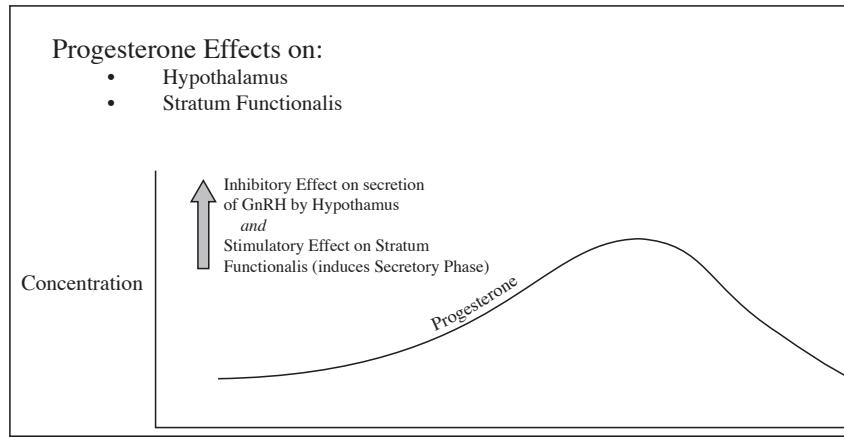
a. Effects on Stratum Basalis

b. Effect on Anterior Pituitary Gland and Release of Luteinizing Hormone

• Luteinizing Hormone Spike



v. Progesterone



C. Putting it all Together (Know this very well)

→ Cyclical Coordination and Associated Structures and Events

i. Primordial Follicles

a. Estrogen

- Effect on Stratum Basalis
- Effect on Anterior Pituitary Gland and Luteinizing Hormone

ii. Primary, Secondary Tertiary Follicle

- Antrum

iii. Ovulation

iv. Corpus Luteum

- Estrogen
- Progesterone

v. Corpus Albicans

vi. Menstruation

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6. Hormonal Regulation in the Pregnant Female (See Handout)

- A. Fertilization and Embryonic Development
- B. Human Chorionic Gonadotropin
 - i. Hormonal Effects
- C. Relaxin
- D. Prolactin and Oxytocin

7. Accessory Structures

- A. Vagina
- B. External Genital Organs
 - i. Mons Pubis
 - ii. Labia Majora
 - iii. Labia Minora
 - iv. Clitoris
 - v. Vestibule
- C. Perineum
 - i. Urogenital Region
 - ii. Anal Region

8. Mammary Glands

- A. Suspensory Ligaments
- B. Lactiferous Ducts

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- C. Lactiferous Sinus
- D. Areola
- E. Nipple
- F. Benefits of Breastfeeding
- G. Hormonal Regulation
 - i. Prolactin
 - ii. Oxytocin