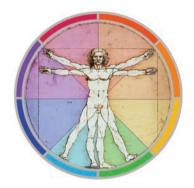
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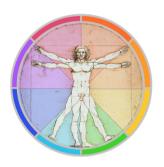
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Human Movement and Sensation

Theme 2: Integrating and coordinating roles of the nervous system

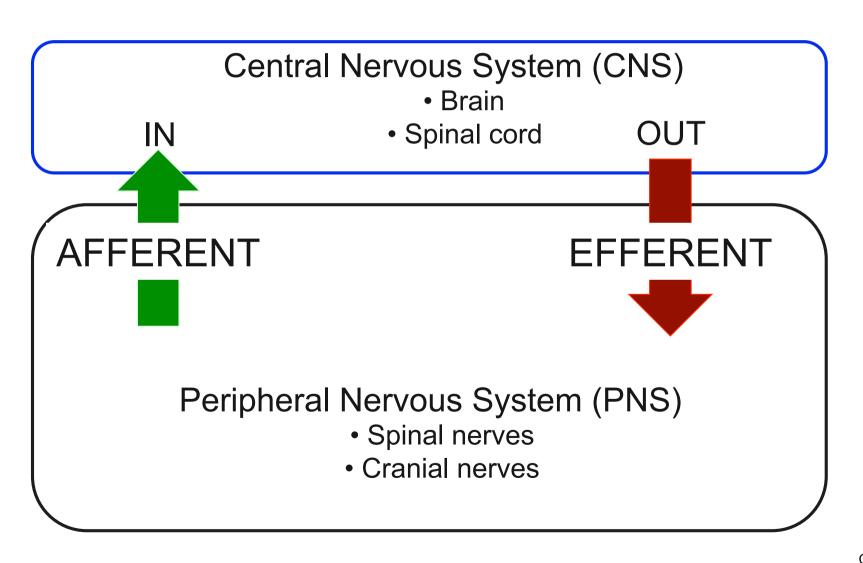
Lecture 17: Divisions of the nervous system

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Lecture 17: Learning objectives

- Understand the types of information transmitted in the nervous system and how the nervous system is divided based on these
- Understand the anatomical organisation of the somatic efferent division of the nervous system
- Understand how neurons communicate with effector cells in the somatic efferent division of the nervous system
- Understand the anatomical oraganisation of the autonomic nervous system
- Understand how autonomic neurons communicate with effector cells
- Understand the anatomical and functional differences between the sympathetic and parasympathetic divisions of the autonomic nervous system

Divisions of the nervous system: I. Based on direction of information flow



Types of information transmitted

- Somatic = the stuff we are aware of, have control over
 - Voluntary muscle control
 - SOMATIC EFFERENT (motor)
 - Sensory information we are aware of
 - SOMATIC AFFERENT (sensory)

- Autonomic = the stuff we are not aware of, have no control over
 - Involuntary muscle control
 - AUTONOMIC EFFERENT (motor)
 - > Sensory information that we don't know about
 - AUTONOMIC AFFERENT (sensory)





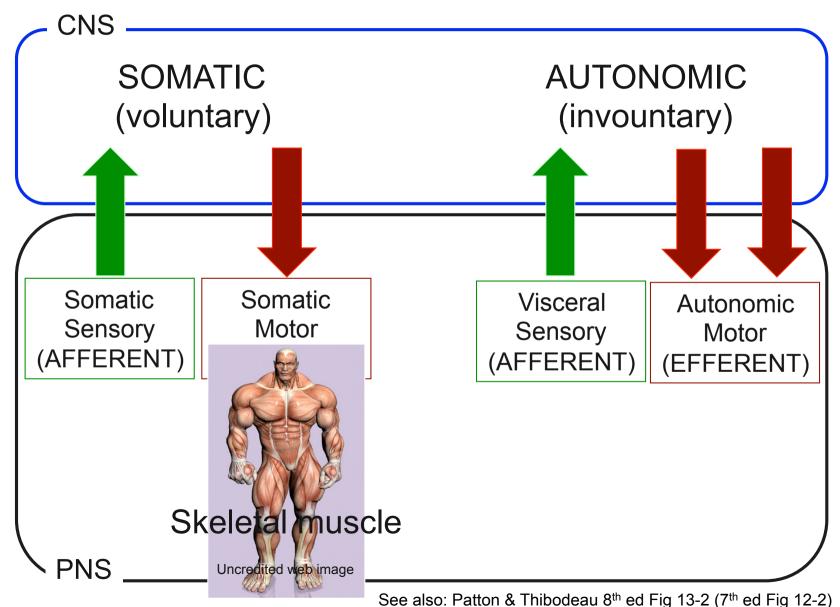
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Divisions of the nervous system:

I. Based on type of information transmitted



Nerves

Somatic Motor (EFFERENT) Division

5 Features

Voluntary control

• One neuron between CNS and effector (e.g. muscle)

Cell body in spinal cord (CNS)

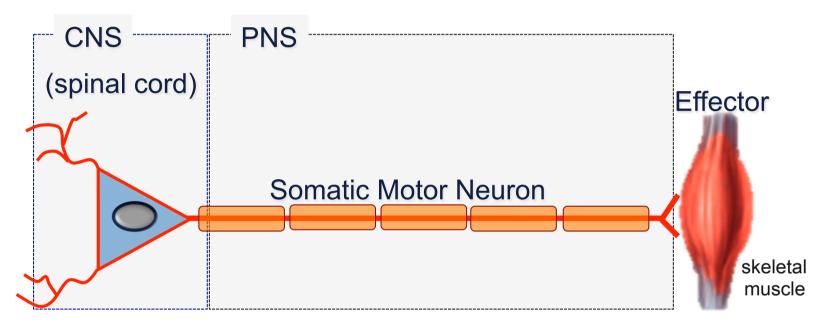
Axon in spinal nerves (PNS)

 Effectors (= things the nerves go to and control) skeletal muscle fibres _____

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Spinal cord-

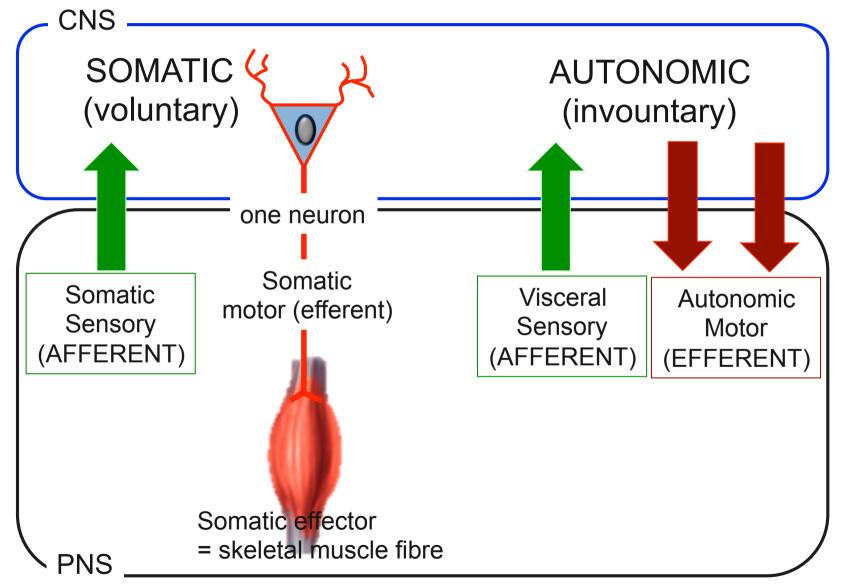
Anatomical organisation: Somatic motor (efferent)



- One motor neuron between the CNS and the effector
- Single motor neuron has its cell body in the spinal cord (CNS) and its axon in a spinal nerve (PNS)

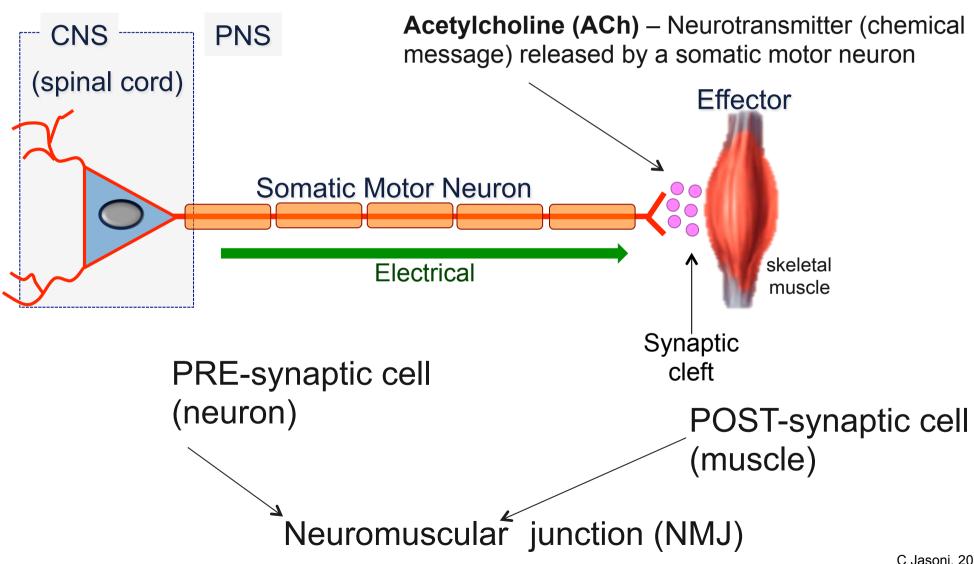
Imagine how long a single axon must be?

Divisions of the nervous system: I. Somatic motor

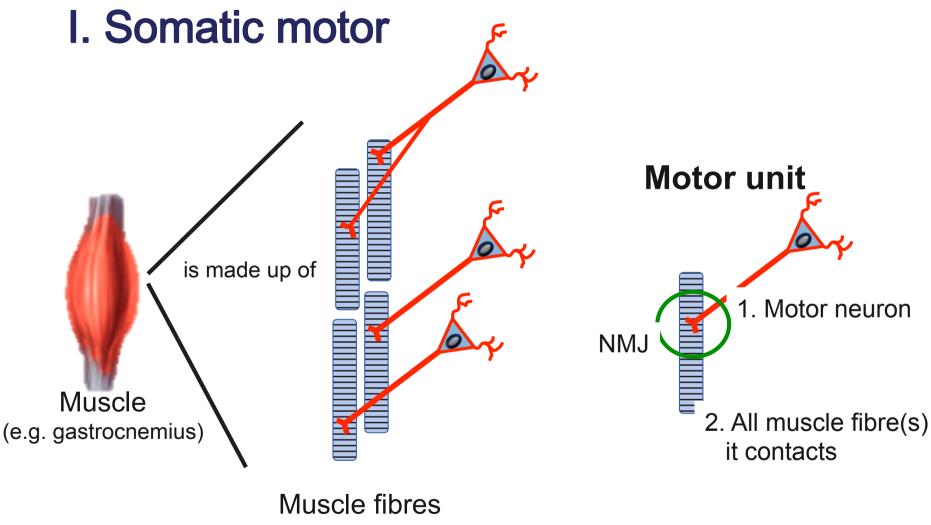


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Anatomical organisation: Somatic motor (efferent) SYNAPSE

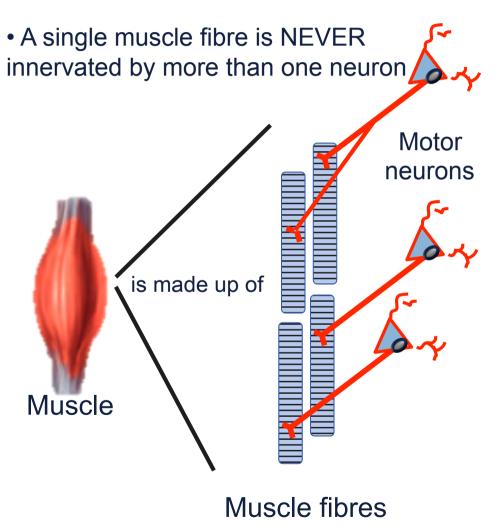


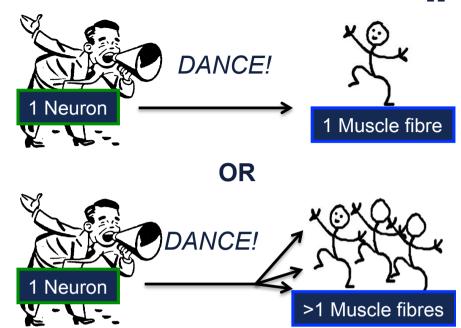
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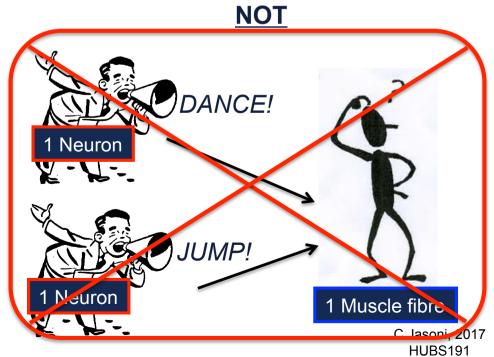


Motor unit

• A single neuron makes contact with one or several muscle fibres

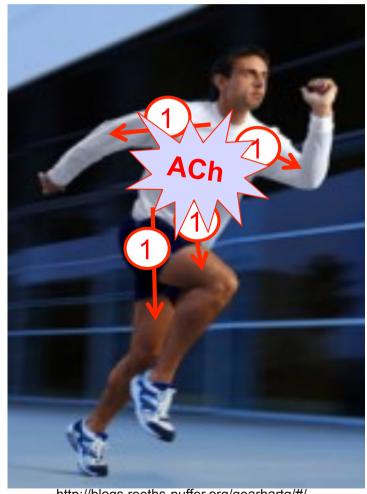






Summary: Somatic motor division

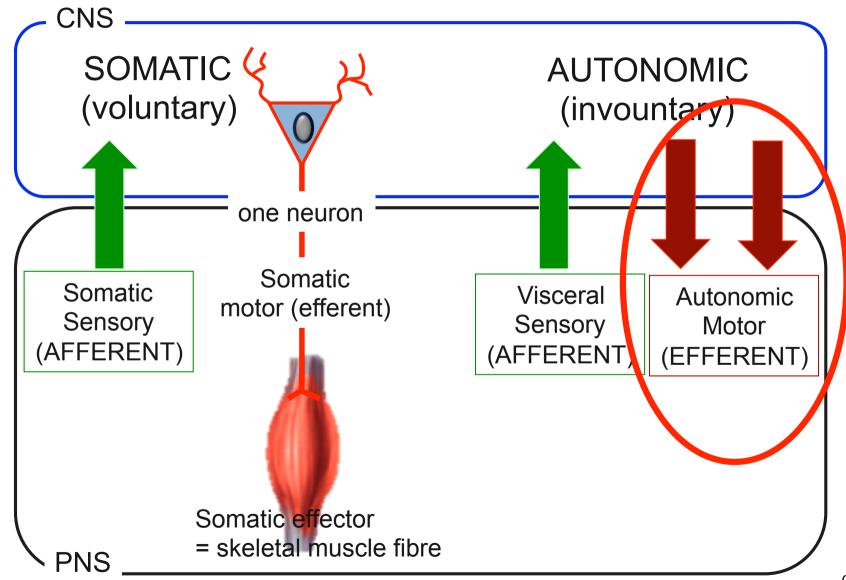
- Voluntary movement
- Efferent information flow AWAY from CNS
- One neuron transmits the information to one motor unit (= 1 or more muscle fibres)
- Cell body in CNS (spinal cord)
- Axon is myelinated
- Neurotransmitter = Acetylcholine (ACh)



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Divisions of the nervous system:

II. Autonomic motor (efferent)



Autonomic Nervous System

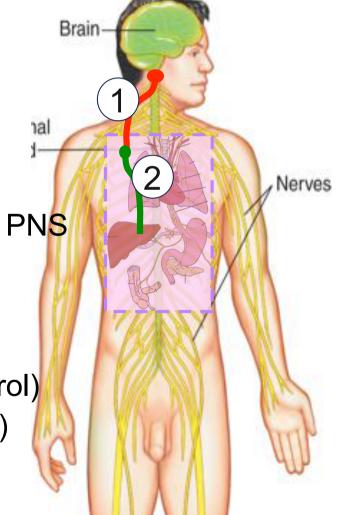
Involuntary control

Two neurons between CNS and effector

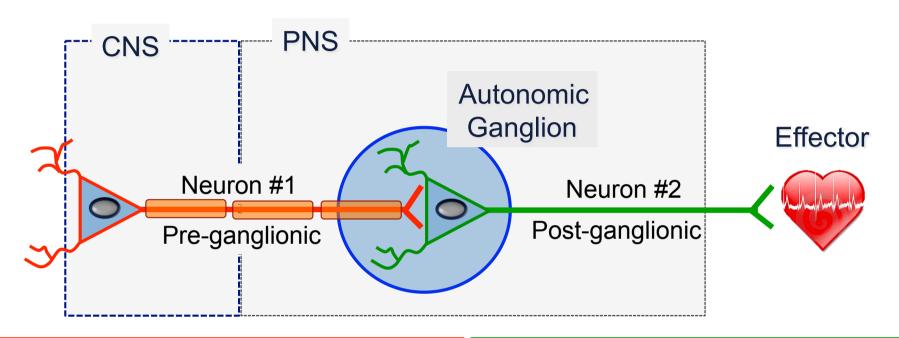
Neuron #1 has cell body in CNS and axon in PNS

Neuron #2 has cell body and axon in PNS

Effectors (= things the nerves go to and control)
 i) smooth muscle, ii) cardiac muscle, iii)
 glands, iv) adipose (fat) tissue



Autonomic nervous system: Basic anatomical features



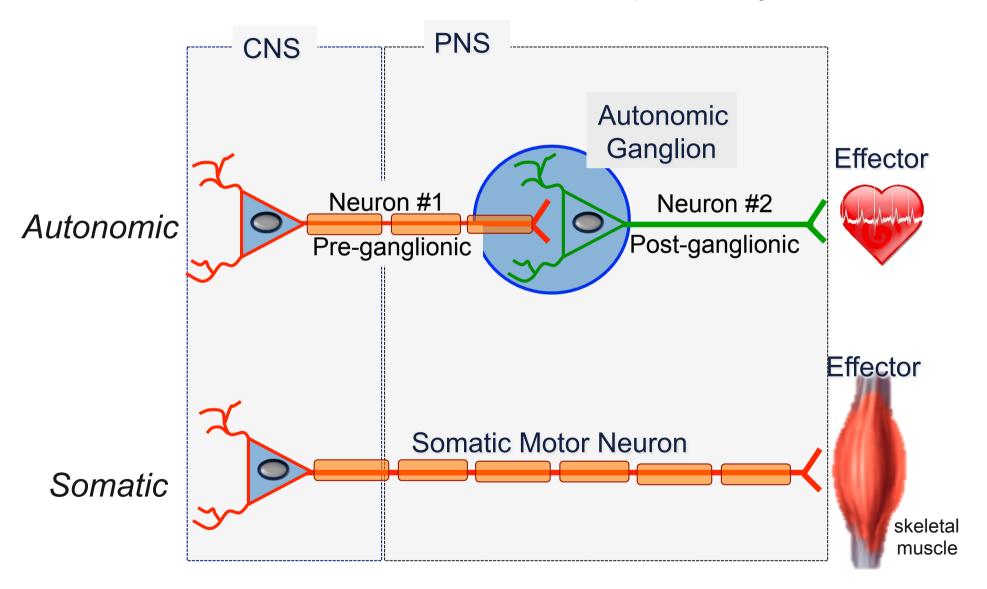
Neuron #1:

- Cell body in CNS
- Axon extends outside CNS
- Synapse in Autonomic Ganglion
- Pre-ganglionic neuron
- Neurotransmitter = acetylcholine (ACh)
- Myelinated

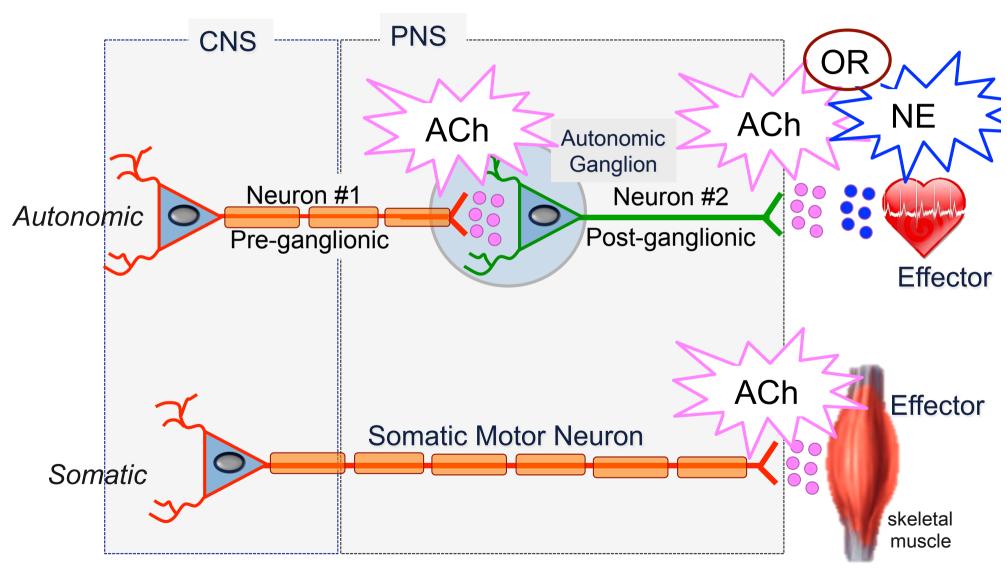
Neuron #2:

- Cell body in PNS, autonomic ganglion
- Axon extends to effector organ
- Synapse on effector organ
- Post-ganglionic neuron
- Neurotransmitter = acetylcholine (ACh)
 OR noradrenaline (NE)
- Unmyelinated

<u>Structural differences</u> between Somatic and Autonomic efferent pathways

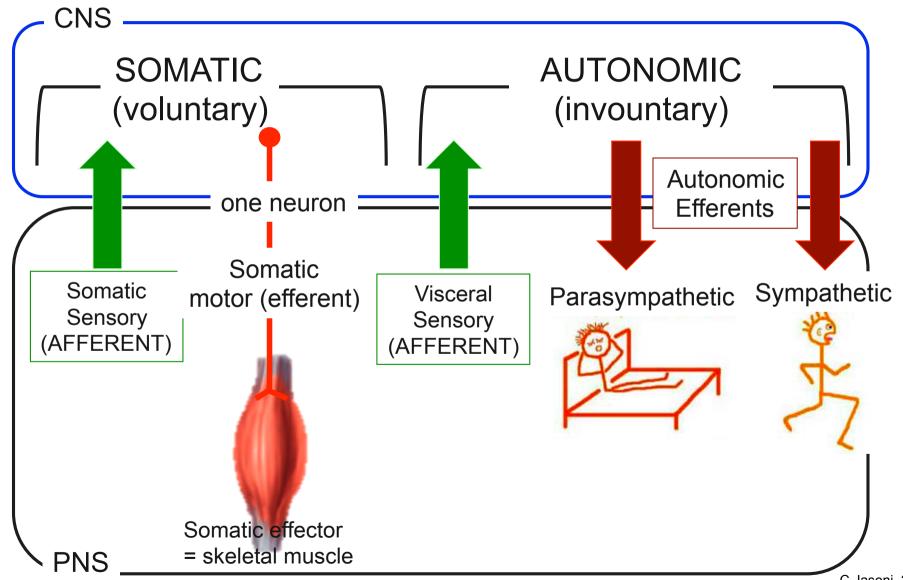


Neurotransmitter differences between Somatic and Autonomic efferent pathways



NE = norepinephrine (also called noradrenaline)

Divisions of the nervous system: II. Autonomic nervous system



See also: Patton & Thibodeau 8th ed Fig 13-2 (7th ed Fig 12-2)

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Subdivisions of the autonomic nervous system

SYMPATHETIC

- Prepares the body for acute/stress responses
- "Fight or Flight" system.
- Effects include:
 - increased (↑) heart rate
 - Constricting blood vessels to skin and viscera (↑ blood flow to muscles)

 - > \ salivation
 - → ↑ pupil size
 - ↑ sweating

PARASYMPATHETIC

- Prepares the body for restful situations:
- "REST AND DIGEST" system.
- Effects include:
 - → decreased (↓) heart rate
 - ↑ gastric motility
 - → ↓ pupil size
 - ↑ salivation.



Subdivisions of the autonomic nervous system

SYMPATHETIC

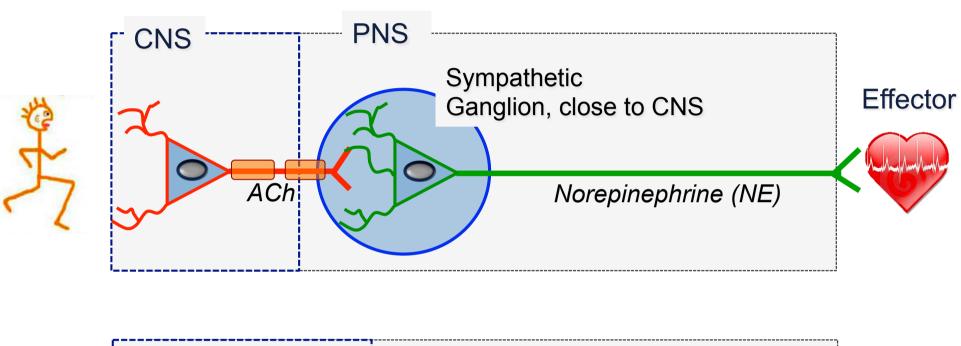
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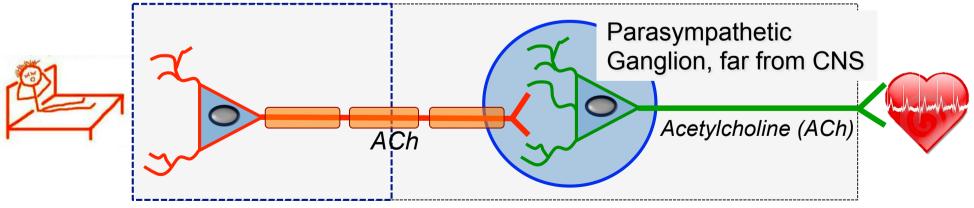
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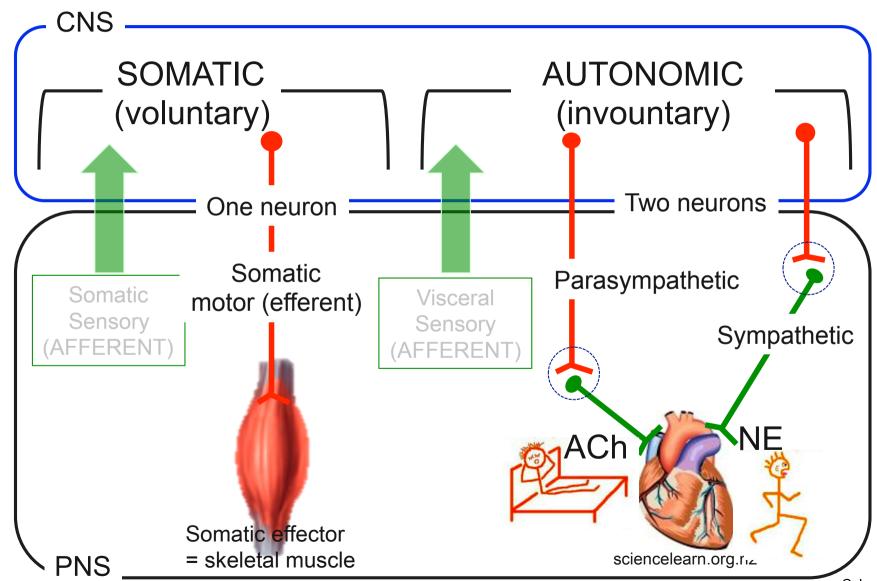
Structural and neurotransmitter differences between sympathetic and parasympathetic nervous systems





Divisions of the nervous system:

II. Autonomic nervous system

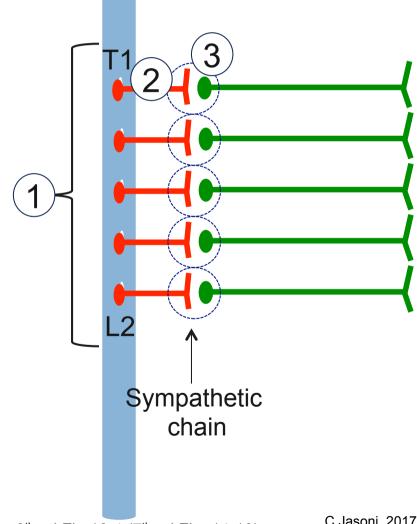


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Sympathetic nervous system: Exit from CNS and position of ganglia

- (1) Axon of preganglionic neurons leaves CNS at *thoracolumbar* levels (spinal cord)
- (2) Axon extends a short distance
- (3) Synapse and cell body of postganglionic neuron are in *sympathetic ganglion*

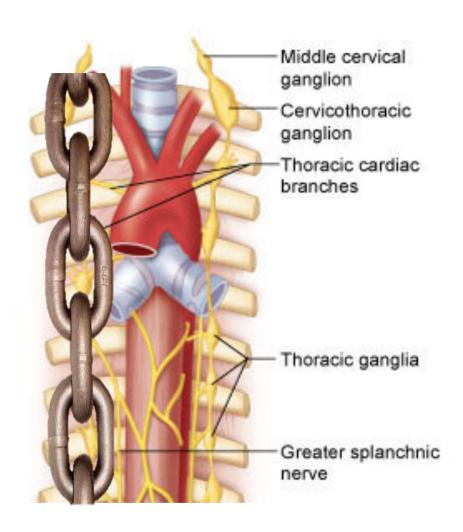


Brain

spinal cord

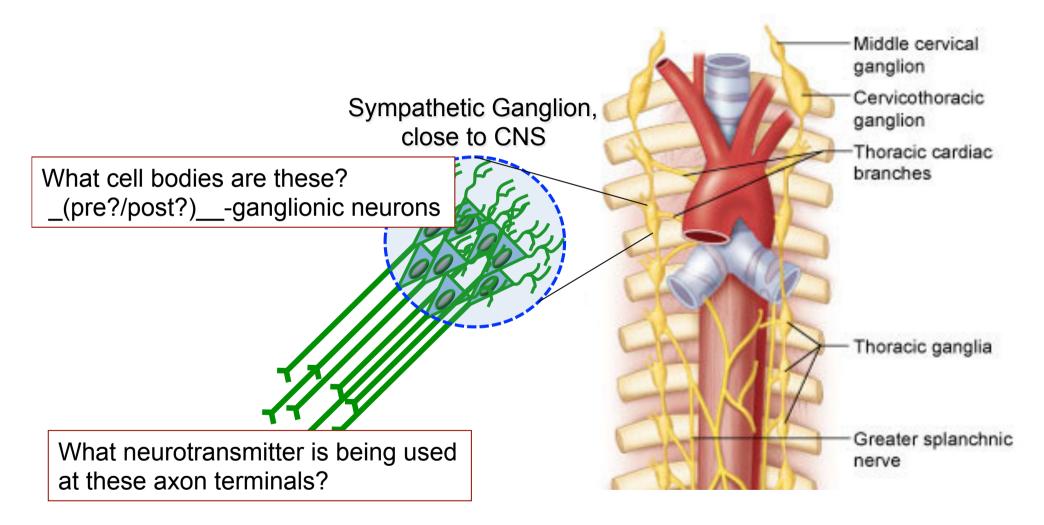
Sympathetic chain ganglia

- 21-23 pairs
- Alongside vertebral column
- Place where preganglionic (neuron #1) axons synapse
- → onto postganglionic (neuron #2) input zone



Patton & Thibodeau 8th ed Fig 16-3 (7th ed Fig 14-17)

Sympathetic chain ganglia



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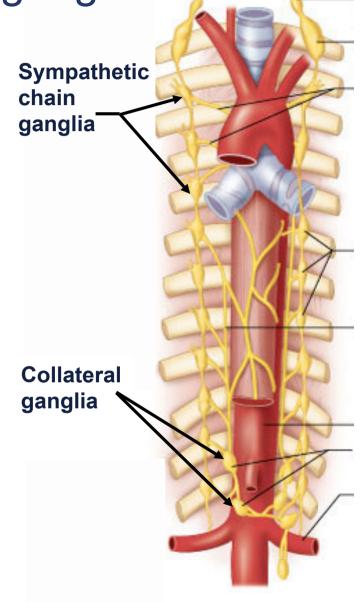
Two types of sympathetic ganglia

CHAIN GANGLIA:

- 21-23 pairs
- Alongside vertebral column
- Place where preganglionic (neuron #1) axons synapse

COLLATERAL GANGLIA:

- 3 main collateral ganglia
- Contain preganglionic axons that did not make synapses in chain ganglia

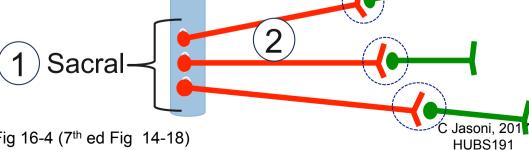


Parasympathetic nervous system: Exit from CNS and position of ganglia

nd
Brain

1 Cranial
Spinal cord

- (1) Axon of preganglionic neuron leaves CNS at **cranial** (brainstem) and **sacral** (spinal cord) levels
 - Sometimes called "craniosacral" nerves or nervous system
- (2) Axon of preganglionic neurons is long
- (3) Synapse and post-ganglionic neuron cell body in ganglion in or near the effector organs



See also: Patton & Thibodeau 8th ed Fig 16-4 (7th ed Fig 14-18)

Summary of sympathetic vs parasympathetic pathways (Table 14-5, P&T)

	Feature	Sympathetic	Parasympathetic
Preganglionic neuron	Cell body location in CNS:	-Thoracolumbar: (spinal cord T1 to L2)	-Craniosacral: (brainstem and sacral spinal cord)
	Synapse in:	-Sympathetic chain or collateral ganglion	-Parasymp. ganglion in or near effector
	Length of fibres:	-Relatively short	-Relatively long
	Neurotransmitter:	-Acetylcholine	-Acetylcholine
Postganglionic neuron	Cell body location:	-Sympathetic chain or collateral ganglion	-Parasymp. ganglion in or near effector
	Length of fibres: Neurotransmitter:	-Relatively long -Noradrenaline (most)	-Relatively short -Acetylcholine

Lecture 17: Post-lecture quiz

- What neurotransmitter is used by a somatic efferent neuron?
 (a) Acetylcholine; (b) Norepinephrine; (c) Both; (d) Neither
- Which of the following is true about the sympathetic chain ganglia.
- (a) The preganglionic neurons are unmyelinated;
- (b) They contain the axons of postganglionic neurons
- (c) They contain cell bodies that utilise norepinephrine
- (d) They contain cell bodies that give rise to myelinated axons
- If you were told that your craniosacral nervous system were activated, does that mean that you are: (a) relaxed; (b) thoughtful; (c) hyperactive; (d) sympathetic
- Which statement is true of a post-ganglionic parasympathetic neuron
- (a) It is myelinated; (b) It receives input from an unmyelinated axon; (c) Its cell body resides distant from the CNS; (d) Its cell body can be found in the collateral ganglion

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