

# Biology 112

## Study Notes Exam 6

### Chapter 17: Urinary System

**Introduction:** the **urinary system** consists of a pair of **kidneys**, which remove excess salts and nitrogenous wastes from blood, form urine and help regulate metabolism; a pair of **ureters**, which transport urine from the kidneys to the bladder; the **urinary bladder**, which stores urine; and a **urethra**, which conveys urine to the outside.

**Kidneys:** reddish-brown bean-shaped organs located on either side of the abdominal cavity from the level of the 12<sup>th</sup> thoracic to 3<sup>rd</sup> lumbar vertebrae

- kidneys are **retroperitoneal**; they lie behind the peritoneum
- renal **capsule**: tough fibrous CT and adipose tissue surrounding kidney

#### **Kidney Structure:**

- **renal sinus**: hollow chamber at medial depression; *hilum* is entrance to sinus through which blood vessels, lymphatics, nerves & ureter pass
- **renal pelvis**: funnel-shaped sac inside sinus just lateral to ureter
- **minor calyces & major calyces** route urine to pelvis & then ureter
- **renal medulla**: inner region of kidney composed of renal pyramids that collect urine
- **renal papillae**: small elevations at end of pyramids that lead into minor calyces
- **renal cortex**: outer region of kidney which houses nephrons, the functional units of kidney; renal columns are projections of cortex into medulla between pyramids

#### **Kidney Functions:**

- maintain *homeostasis* by removing metabolic wastes from blood & excreting them
- produce the hormone **erythropoietin**, which regulates red blood cell production
- regulate blood volume & blood pressure (renin-angiotensin mechanism)
- regulate volume, composition & pH of body fluids
- **pathway of blood through kidney**: aorta→renal artery→segmental artery→interlobar artery→arcuate artery→interlobular artery→afferent arteriole→glomerular capillaries→efferent arteriole→peritubular capillaries→interlobular vein→arcuate vein→interlobar vein→renal vein→inferior vena cava
- **nephron**: functional unit of kidney consisting of a renal corpuscle & renal tubule
  - o **renal corpuscle**: glomerulus (capillaries) & glomerular capsule
  - o **renal tubule**: proximal convoluted tubule, nephron loop (ascending & descending limbs), distal convoluted tubule
- **collecting ducts**: collect urine from nephrons; in renal pyramids
- collecting ducts empty into minor calyces
- glomerular capillaries receive blood from **afferent arterioles** & pass remaining blood to efferent arterioles
- **efferent arterioles** give rise to **peritubular capillaries**, which surround renal tubules
- **juxtaglomerular apparatus**: at junction of distal convoluted tubule with afferent & efferent arterioles; consists of **macula densa & juxtaglomerular cells**

**Urine Formation:** *nephrons* remove wastes from blood and regulate water & electrolyte concentrations; **urine** is end product

- **glomerular filtration:** water & dissolved materials filter (diffuse) out of glomerular capillaries
  - o glomerular capillaries are much more permeable than typical tissue capillaries
  - o composition of **filtrate** is similar to that of tissue fluid
- **filtration pressure:** net force moving material out of glomerulus & into glomerular capsule
  - o filtration is mainly due to **hydrostatic pressure** inside glomerular capillaries
  - o **osmotic pressure** of *plasma* & *hydrostatic pressure in capsule* also contribute
- **filtration rate:** varies with filtration pressure
  - o filtration pressure changes with diameters of afferent & efferent arterioles
  - o filtration rate decreases with increasing **colloid osmotic pressure** (pressure due to large proteins in plasma)
  - o filtration rate decreases with increasing **capsule hydrostatic pressure**
  - o kidneys normally produce ~ 125 ml of filtrate per minute; most is *reabsorbed*
- **regulation of filtration rate:**
  - o increased *sympathetic nerve* activity can decrease glomerular filtration rate
  - o **macula densa:** senses decreased amounts of *chloride, potassium & sodium ions* in distal tubule & causes juxtaglomerular cells to release **renin**
  - o **renin** triggers a series of changes leading to **vasoconstriction** of afferent & efferent arterioles (which may affect filtration rate) and **aldosterone** secretion, which stimulates tubular sodium reabsorption
- **tubular reabsorption:** returns some substances in filtrate to blood (peritubular capillaries)
  - o permeability of peritubular capillaries adapted for reabsorption
  - o most reabsorption occurs at **proximal tubule**; epithelial cells have microvilli
  - o different modes of transport reabsorb different substances in particular segments of renal tubule
    - active transport reabsorbs glucose, amino acids & some sodium
    - osmosis reabsorbs water
  - o active transport mechanisms have limited capacities
- **sodium & water retention:**
  - o substances that remain in filtrate are concentrated as water is reabsorbed
  - o active transport reabsorbs **sodium** ions
  - o as positive sodium ions move out of tubules, negative ions & water follow
  - o **water** is passively reabsorbed by **osmosis**
- **tubular secretion:** transports substances from plasma to tubular filtrate
  - o various organic compounds (creatinine, histamine, penicillin) are actively secreted
  - o **potassium & hydrogen ions** are secreted both actively & passively
- **regulation of urine concentration & volume:**
  - o most sodium is actively reabsorbed before urine is excreted
  - o **antidiuretic hormone (ADH)** increases permeability of distal tubule & collecting duct, promoting water reabsorption
- **urea & uric acid excretion:**
  - o diffusion passively reabsorbs urea; ~ 50% of urea excreted in urine

- active transport reabsorbs uric acid; some uric acid is secreted
- **urine composition:** urine is ~ 95% water, & usually contains urea & uric acid
  - urine volume normally between 0.6 & 2.5 liters per day
  - urine contains varying amounts of electrolytes & may contain traces of amino acids
  - urine volume varies with fluid intake & certain environmental factors (temperature, humidity, emotion, respiratory rate, body temperature)

### Urine Elimination

- **ureters:** extend from kidneys to urinary bladder
  - peristaltic waves in ureter force urine into urinary bladder
- **urinary bladder:** stores urine & forces it through **urethra** during **micturition**
  - **trigone:** triangular region formed by openings of ureters into bladder superiorly & opening into urethra inferiorly
  - **internal urethral sphincter:** smooth muscle formed by portion of **detrusor muscle**; involuntary
  - **external urethral sphincter:** skeletal muscle; voluntary control of urination
- **micturition:** expels urine
  - contraction of detrusor muscle & relaxation of external urethral sphincter
  - **micturition reflex:** distension stimulates stretch receptors in bladder wall; **parasympathetic** motor impulses sent to detrusor muscle by micturition reflex center in spinal cord
    - as bladder fills, internal pressure increases, forcing internal urethral sphincter open
    - second reflex relaxes external urethral sphincter unless voluntarily controlled
    - nerve centers in cerebral cortex & brainstem aid control of urination
- **urethra:** conveys urine from urinary bladder to outside

## Chapter 18: Water, Electrolyte & Acid-Base Balance

**Introduction:** maintenance of water & electrolyte balance requires that equal quantities of each enter & leave the body; altering water balance affects electrolyte balance

### Distribution of Body Fluids

- **fluid compartments:** intracellular & extracellular fluid
  - o **intracellular fluid:** fluids & electrolytes enclosed by cell membrane (inside cell)
  - o **extracellular fluid:** all fluids & electrolytes outside cell membrane; fluid in spaces in between tissue cells (*interstitial fluid*), in blood vessels (*plasma*), in lymphatic vessels (*lymph*), **transcellular fluid** (cerebrospinal fluid, synovial fluid, serous fluid, aqueous & vitreous humors of eyes)
- **body fluid composition:**
  - o **extracellular fluid:** high concentrations of **sodium, chloride & bicarbonate ions**
    - *plasma* contains more **protein** than interstitial fluid or lymph
  - o **intracellular fluid:** high concentrations of **potassium, magnesium & phosphate ions**
  - o *sulfate ions* are slightly more concentrated in intracellular fluid; *calcium ions* are slightly more concentrated in extracellular fluid
- **movement of fluid between compartments:**
  - o *hydrostatic pressure & osmotic pressure* regulate fluid movements
    - **hydrostatic pressure** forces fluid out of plasma; **colloid osmotic pressure** returns fluid to plasma
    - **hydrostatic pressure** moves fluid into lymphatic vessels
    - **osmotic pressure** regulates fluid movement into & out of cells
  - o **sodium ion concentrations assist fluid movement**
    - if sodium ion concentration in interstitial fluid decreases, water moves into cells by osmosis (cells swell); if sodium ion concentration in interstitial fluid increases, water moves out of cells by osmosis (cells shrink)

### Water Balance

- **water intake:** most water comes from consuming liquids or foods
  - o *oxidative metabolism* produces some water
- **regulation of water intake:** **thirst** is primary regulator of water intake
  - o drinking & stomach distention by fluid inhibit thirst
  - o increase in osmotic pressure in extracellular fluids activates *osmoreceptors* in the **thirst center** in the *hypothalamus* of the brain
- water output: water is lost in urine, feces, sweat & evaporation from skin & lungs
- **regulation of water output:** *distal convoluted tubules & collecting ducts* of nephrons regulate water output in urine through effects of **ADH**
  - o if ADH is present, more water is reabsorbed & less urine is produced

### Electrolyte Balance

- **electrolyte intake:** most important ions from electrolytes are sodium, potassium, calcium, magnesium, chloride, sulfate, phosphate, bicarbonate & hydrogen ions; these are obtained in foods and beverages or as by-products of metabolism

- **regulation of electrolyte intake:** food & drink usually provide adequate electrolytes
  - o severe electrolyte deficit may produce salt craving
- **electrolyte output:** electrolytes lost in perspiration, feces & urine
- **regulation of electrolyte output:** concentrations of sodium, potassium & calcium ions need to be carefully regulated
  - o *aldosterone* from adrenal cortex regulates sodium & potassium ions
  - o *parathyroid hormone & calcitonin* regulate calcium ions
  - o negative ions are secondarily regulated by positive ion movement

### Acid-Base Balance

- body fluid pH must be maintained within a certain range
- **acids** are electrolytes that release hydrogen ions; **bases** combine with hydrogen ions
- sources of hydrogen ions:
  - o **aerobic respiration of glucose** produces *carbonic acid* (carbon dioxide combined with water)
  - o **anaerobic respiration of glucose** produces *lactic acid*
  - o **oxidation of sulfur-containing amino acids** produces *sulfuric acid*
  - o **incomplete oxidation of fatty acids** produces *acidic ketone bodies*
  - o **hydrolysis of phosphoproteins & nucleic acids** produces *phosphoric acid*
- **strengths of acids & bases:** acids & bases vary in ionization extent (strength)
  - o strong acids (hydrochloric acid) ionize more completely
  - o weak acids (carbonic acid) ionize less completely
- **regulation of hydrogen ion concentration:**
  - o **acid-base buffer systems:** buffer systems convert strong acids into weaker acids or strong bases into weaker bases
    - **bicarbonate buffer system:** uses bicarbonate ions ( $\text{HCO}_3^-$ ) as weak base & carbonic acid ( $\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3$ ) as weak acid
      - reactions:  $\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{CO}_3 \rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{HCO}_3^-$
    - **phosphate buffer system:** mixture of dihydrogen phosphate (weak acid) & monohydrogen phosphate (weak base); helps regulate hydrogen ions
    - **protein buffer system:** proteins in plasma & within cells can act as weak acids or weak bases
  - o **respiratory center of brain** controls rate & depth of breathing to regulate pH
  - o kidney nephrons secrete hydrogen ions to regulate pH
  - o acid-base buffers act more rapidly; physiological buffers (respiratory center, kidneys) act more slowly

### Acid-Base imbalances

- **acidosis:** blood pH < 7.35
  - o **respiratory acidosis** results from increases in concentrations of carbon dioxide & carbonic acid
  - o **metabolic acidosis** results from accumulation of other acids or loss of bases
- **alkalosis:** blood pH > 7.45
  - o **respiratory alkalosis** results from loss of concentrations of carbon dioxide & carbonic acid
  - o **metabolic acidosis** results from loss of hydrogen ions or gain of bases

## Chapter 19: Reproductive Systems

**Introduction:** reproductive organs produce sex cells (*sperm* in males & *oocytes* in females) & sex hormones, sustain sex cells or transport them to sites of fertilization

### Organs of the Male Reproductive System

- **testes:** primary male sex organs that produce sperm cells & male sex hormones
  - testes are composed of *lobules* separated by connective tissue & filled with *seminiferous tubules*
  - **sperm cells** are produced by *spermatocytes* in epithelium lining seminiferous tubules
    - *supporting cells* (*Sertoli cells*) nourish & support spermatogenic cells
  - **interstitial cells** produce *testosterone* (male sex hormone)
  - **spermatogenesis:** process of sperm cell formation in seminiferous tubules
    - *spermatogonia* give rise to *primary spermatocytes* by mitosis
    - **meiosis: spermatocytes to spermatids**
      - **meiosis I** separates *homologous pairs* of chromosomes; cells begin *diploid* (46 chromosomes) & end up *haploid* (23 chromosomes)
      - **meiosis II** separates *chromatids* (duplicated chromosomes attached at centromere; like mitosis)
      - meiosis I: primary spermatocyte forms 2 *secondary spermatocytes*
      - meiosis II: each secondary spermatocyte forms 2 *spermatids*
    - **spermiogenesis: spermatids to sperm**
      - each spermatid undergoes changes to form sperm cell
      - at one end of nucleus, head region forms, including a tightly enclosed nucleus with an *acrosome* (contains hydrolytic enzymes for penetration of egg cell) at top
      - at other end, tail region forms, with a *flagellum* forming from *centrioles* & attached to the head region by a midpiece containing many mitochondria (supplying energy for moving flagellum)
- **male internal accessory organs**
  - **epididymis:** tightly coiled tube that leads into vas deferens
    - stores & nourishes immature sperm cells & promotes their maturation
  - **vas deferens** (ductus deferens): propels live sperm from epididymis to urethra
    - runs from epididymis upward anterior to pubic bone into pelvic cavity, loops over ureter & descends posteriorly along bladder, where it joins with seminal vesicle to form *ejaculatory duct*
  - **seminal vesicles:** attached to vas deferens on posterior wall of bladder
    - secrete seminal fluid: a viscous alkaline fluid containing *fructose* (sugar), a coagulating enzyme & *prostaglandins* (stimulate muscular contractions of female reproductive organs to propel sperm to egg cell)
  - **prostate gland:** encircles urethra just inferior to bladder
    - secretes a milky, slightly alkaline fluid containing enzymes & prostate-specific antigen (PSA) that enters prostatic urethra during ejaculation
    - prostate gland hypertrophy affects nearly every elderly male
  - **bulbourethral glands** (Cowper's glands): small glands inferior to prostate gland

- produce mucus prior to ejaculation that neutralizes acidic urine in urethra
- **semen**: consists of sperm cells & secretions of seminal vesicles, prostate gland & bulbourethral glands
  - slightly alkaline & includes nutrients & prostaglandins
- **male external reproductive organs**:
  - **scrotum**: sac of skin & fascia that houses testes in left & right compartments
    - temperature of scrotum must be ~ 3°C lower than core body temperature for production of viable sperm
    - temperature maintained by contraction & relaxation of *dartos & cremaster muscles*... contraction pulls scrotum closer to body, increasing temperature, while relaxation allows scrotum to lower, decreasing temperature
  - **penis**: copulatory organ; releases sperm produced by testes
    - penis made up of attached root & free body or shaft ending in enlarged tip called *glans penis*
    - *prepuce* (foreskin): cuff of skin over penis; may be removed (circumcision)
    - **erectile tissue** (*corpus spongiosum & corpora cavernosum*): network of connective tissue & smooth muscle with vascular spaces that become filled with blood during sexual excitement

### Hormonal Regulation of Male Reproductive Function

- *Gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH)* release from hypothalamus controls release of *follicle-stimulating hormone (FSH)* & *luteinizing hormone (LH)* from anterior pituitary
- **FSH** stimulates sustentacular cells to release androgen-binding protein (ABP), which causes spermatogenic cells to bind **testosterone** & begin spermatogenesis
- **LH** binds to interstitial cells & stimulates them to secrete testosterone
- **testosterone** stimulates development of male reproductive organs and develops & maintains male secondary sex characteristics
- *testosterone* feeds back (negative feedback) to hypothalamus & anterior pituitary, inhibiting release of GnRH & tropic hormones

### Organs of the Female Reproductive System

- **ovaries**: primary female sex organs that produce oocytes & female sex hormones
  - outer **cortex** houses follicles; inner **medulla** contains blood vessels & nerves
  - **primordial follicles**: contain **primary oocyte** encased by a layer of *follicular cells*
    - millions formed in cortex during prenatal development
    - begin meiosis during development, but stop midway through meiosis I & don't continue until puberty
    - number of primary oocytes steadily declines throughout female's life
  - **oogenesis**: **ovum** formation by *meiosis* in follicles of ovaries
    - starting at puberty, one follicle is chosen each month to complete *meiosis I*, resulting in a large *secondary oocyte* & a small **polar body**
    - the *secondary oocyte* begins meiosis II, but arrests in metaphase II (awaiting fertilization in oviduct to complete meiosis II); the *polar body* may divide to form 2 smaller polar bodies

- the secondary oocyte is **ovulated** & is picked up by uterine tube; if fertilization occurs, meiosis II is completed, forming the **ovum** and another *polar body*
    - *the end result of complete oogenesis is 3 small polar bodies & one very large ovum* (only the ovum is a functional female gamete); the ovum contains most of the cytosol, with ample nutrients for the 7 day journey to the uterus
  - **ovulation**: ejection of oocyte from follicle & ovary
    - **corpus luteum**: structure formed from follicle cells following ovulation; eventually degenerates
- **female internal accessory organs**
  - **uterine tubes (fallopian tubes or oviducts)**: receive ovulated oocyte from ovary & provide site for fertilization
    - ovulated oocyte is cast into peritoneal cavity; *cilia* of fimbriae sweep oocyte into uterine tube
    - ciliated cells lining tube & peristaltic contractions of smooth muscle in wall of the tube help transport secondary oocyte down uterine tube
  - **uterus**: hollow, thick-walled organ in pelvis that receives, retains & nourishes a fertilized ovum
    - consists of fundus, body & cervix from superior to inferior; *cervix* (neck) projects into vagina
    - uterine wall composed of *perimetrium* (serous membrane), *myometrium* (smooth muscle) & *endometrium* (epithelial tissue) from outside to inside
    - contraction of muscles in myometrium expels baby during childbirth
    - inner lining of endometrium provides site for implantation of embryo; in absence of pregnancy it is shed during uterine cycle
  - **vagina**: thin-walled tube extending from cervix to body exterior
    - provides passageway for delivery of baby, for menstrual flow & for delivery of semen (& sperm) to uterine tube
    - **urethra** is embedded in anterior wall
    - wall consists of outer fibroelastic adventitia, smooth muscle muscularis & mucosa of stratified squamous epithelium with ridges (*rugae*)
- **female external reproductive organs**
  - **labia majora**: elongated skin folds running posteriorly from mons pubis & enclosing labia minora
  - **labia minora** enclose recess called **vestibule**, which contains the external opening of urethra (anteriorly) & vagina (posteriorly)
  - **clitoris**: small protruding erectile tissue (*corpora cavernosa*) hooded by prepuce formed by junction of labia minora folds

### Hormonal Regulation of Ovarian Cycle

- **GnRH** released from hypothalamus stimulates FSH & LH release from anterior pituitary
- **FSH & LH** stimulate follicle growth & **estrogen** secretion
- **estrogen** levels rise & feed back to anterior pituitary, *inhibiting* release (while stimulating production) of FSH & LH; in ovary, estrogen secretion is enhanced by maturation of follicles under the influence of FSH

- as estrogen levels peak (about midcycle), a burstlike release of accumulated LH (& FSH) from anterior pituitary stimulates secondary oocyte formation & **ovulation**; LH also transforms the ruptured follicle into a corpus luteum
- release of **progesterone, estrogen & inhibin** from *corpus luteum* inhibits release of FSH & LH from anterior pituitary
- as LH blood levels decline, corpus luteum degenerates, & declining levels of progesterone & estrogen remove block to FSH & LH release; cycle begins again
- **ovarian cycle**: monthly series of events (~ 28 days) associated with egg maturation
- **uterine (menstrual) cycle**: cyclic changes in uterine endometrium in response to ovarian hormones in blood

### **Mammary Glands**

- present in both sexes; normally only function in females
- produce milk & nourish newborn baby
- composed of modified sweat glands contained within a rounded skin-covered breast, anterior to pectoral muscles
- lobules within lobes contain **alveoli** that produce milk when a woman is lactating following childbirth
- ovarian hormones stimulate breast development; alveolar glands & ducts enlarge & fat is deposited within breasts

**Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs or Venereal Diseases (VDs)**: infectious diseases spread through sexual contact

- **Gonorrhea**: caused by bacterium *Neisseria gonorrhoeae*
- **Syphilis**: caused by bacterium *Treponema pallidum*
- **Chlamydia**: caused by parasitic bacterium *Chlamydia trachomatis*
- **Genital Warts**: caused by human papillomavirus (HPV) (certain types also cause invasive cervical cancer)
- **Genital Herpes**: caused by human herpesviruses (herpes simplex virus, Epstein-Barr virus)
- bacterial pathogens treated with antibiotics, while viral pathogens are generally treated with antiviral medications

## Chapter 20: Pregnancy, Growth, Development & Genetics

**Pregnancy:** the presence of a developing offspring in the uterus

- consists of 3 **trimesters**, each ~ 3 months long
- **transport of sex cells:** sperm in semen moves from vagina through female reproductive tract, aided by *flagellum* and muscular contractions of uterus & uterine tube stimulated by *prostaglandins* in semen
- **fertilization:** union of egg cell & sperm cell to form a **zygote**
  - o enzymes from sperm cell acrosome aid in penetration of **zona pellucida** surrounding egg cell membrane
  - o only head region of one sperm cell with nucleus enters egg cell
  - o changes in zona pellucida & plasma membrane prevent further sperm entry
  - o fusion of egg cell nucleus & sperm cell nucleus produces *zygote* with 46 chromosomes

**Prenatal period:**

- **cleavage:** rapid cell division of zygote, producing successively smaller cells
- developing offspring moves down uterine tube & implants in **endometrium** of *uterus*
- **placenta** forms about third month from embryonic & maternal cells
- **hormones during pregnancy:**
  - o embryonic cells produce **hCG** (human chorionic gonadotropin), which maintains corpus luteum & hormone secretion
  - o once formed, placenta releases high levels of **estrogen & progesterone**
  - o *estrogens & progesterone* maintain uterine wall & inhibit FSH & LH
  - o progesterone & **relaxin** inhibit uterine contractions
  - o estrogens enlarge vagina; relaxin relaxes ligaments of pelvic joints
  - o *placental lactogen* stimulates breast & mammary gland development
  - o increased *aldosterone* stimulates water retention; increased *PTH* maintains high blood calcium
- **embryonic stage:** from beginning of second week through eighth week
  - o *inner cell mass* organizes into 3 **primary germ layers**
  - o embryonic disc attaches to developing placenta
  - o **placental membrane** forms from epithelium chorionic villi & capillary epithelium
    - transfers oxygen & nutrients to embryo; removes CO<sub>2</sub> & wastes
  - o fluid-filled **amnion** surrounds embryo
  - o **umbilical cord** forms as amnion wraps around tissue under embryo
  - o **yolk sac** forms under embryonic disc; produces blood cells & primary germ cells
  - o **allantois** extends from yolk sac into connecting stalk; forms blood cells & umbilical arteries & veins
- **fetal stage:** from ninth week of development through birth
  - o mostly already existing structures grow & mature
  - o fetus is full-term at end of 38 weeks
  - o **umbilical vein** transports oxygenated blood from placenta to fetus
  - o *ductus venosus* bypasses liver; *foramen ovale* & *ductus arteriosus* bypass lungs
  - o umbilical arteries carry mostly deoxygenated blood to placenta through internal iliac arteries

- fetal blood is enriched with oxygen; fetal hemoglobin has greater oxygen affinity
- **childbirth**
  - placental *progesterone* inhibits uterine contractions during pregnancy
  - decreasing progesterone near end of third trimester & release of prostaglandin initiate birth process
  - *oxytocin* from posterior pituitary stimulates uterine contractions & labor
  - following birth, placental tissues are expelled

### Postnatal period

- following childbirth, placental hormones decline, releasing block to prolactin
- **prolactin** stimulates milk secretion
- suckling causes *oxytocin* release, which stimulates milk ejection
- **neonatal period**: from birth to end of first 4 weeks
  - newborn begins to breathe; first breath must be powerful to expand lungs
  - also begins to obtain nutrients, excrete waste & regulate body temperature
  - newborn depends largely on stored fat for energy (liver still immature)
  - homeostatic mechanisms also immature
  - liver & lung circulatory bypasses constrict & close

### Genetics

- chromosomes & genes are in homologous pairs (one from sperm & one from egg)
- **karyotypes** show all 46 chromosomes in pairs
- 22 pairs of *autosomes* & one pair of sex chromosomes (XX in females; XY in males)
- **homozygous**: 2 identical alleles for a trait
- **heterozygous**: 2 different alleles for a trait
- **genotype**: alleles present (genetic information) for a trait
- **phenotype**: physical appearance for a trait
- **dominant alleles** mask expression of **recessive alleles**
- **polygenetic inheritance**: traits controlled by more than one gene
- Punnett squares & pedigrees depict gene transmission in families