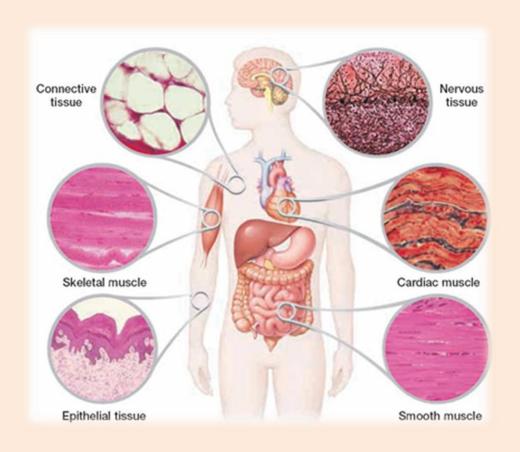
ANIMAL TISSUES

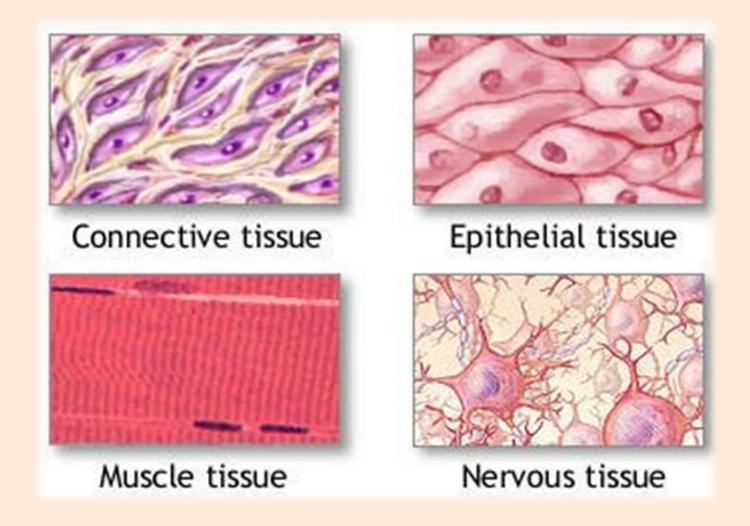


The structure of animal tissue is directly related to its function.

Animals have groups of cells in the tissue, which are combined together to perform as an organ.

Tissues are groups of cells with a basic structure and function.

There are four major types of tissues:



Epithelial tissue

Is a tissue that is made up of



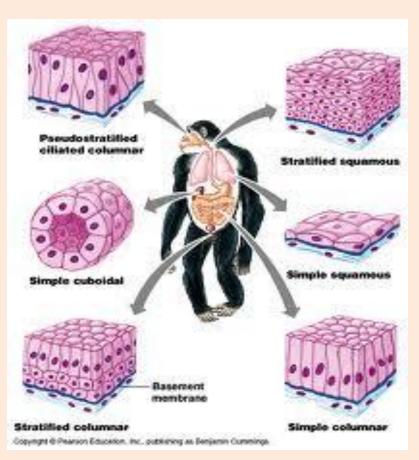
tightly packed cells that line organs and body cavities. Its cells are <u>closely</u> joined without much material between them.

It acts as a barrier against mechanical injury, invading microorganisms, and fluid loss.

Epithelial tissue can be classified considering two criteria: the number of cell layers and the shape of the cells on the free surface.

Types:

- Simple epithelium
- Stratified epithelium
- Pseudostratified
- Cubiodal
- Columnar
- Squamous.



Connective tissue

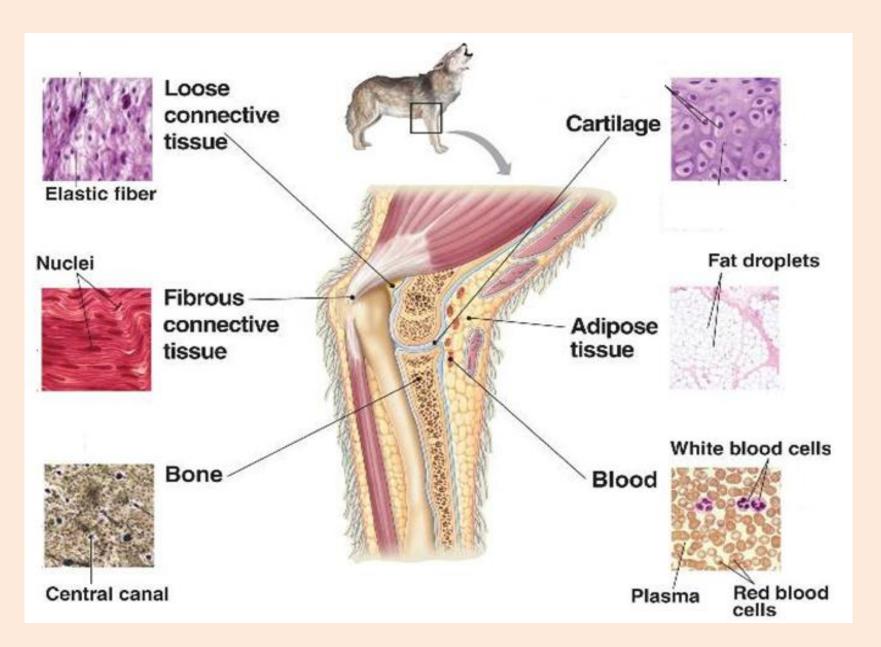


Tissue that works mainly to bind and support other tissues.

They have sparse populations of cells scattered through an extracellular matrix. This extracellular matrix is a web of fibers that can be liquid, solid or jellylike.

There are a few major types of connective tissue.

- LOOSE (Wraps and cushions organs. Under the skin)
- Adipose (Function as storage)
- Dense (Tendons and ligaments)
- Cartilage (example: ends of bones and nose)
- Bone (Solid because of the Calcium carbonate. Has blood supply and nerves running through the Haversian canal systems).
- Blood (Liquid, contains red blood cells, white blood cells and platelets)



Muscle tissue

Is made up of long, excitable

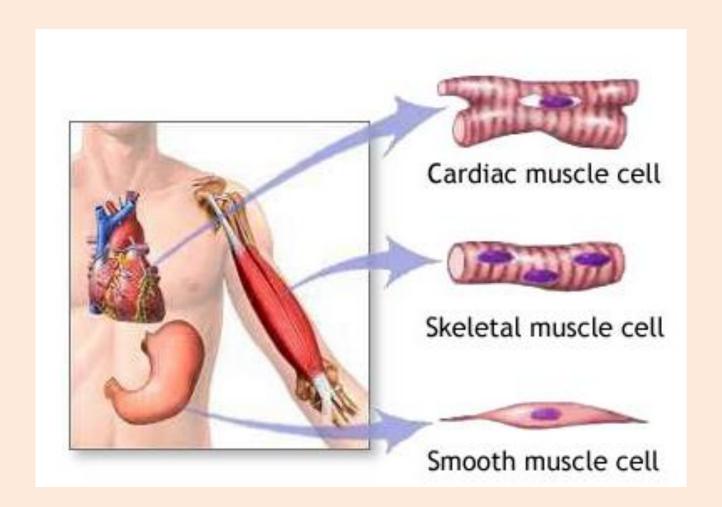
cells that are capable of considerable contraction. These are arranged in a parallel pattern.

There are a large number of microfilaments that are made of contractile proteins actin and myosin.

Since this is needed for movement it is one of the most abundant tissues in most animals.

There are three types of muscle tissue:

- Skeletal muscle, which is normally responsible for the voluntary movement in the body.
- Cardiac muscle that forms the wall of the <u>heart</u>.
 This muscle relays signals from cell to cell during a heartbeat.
- Smooth muscle which is found in the digestive track, bladder, arteries, and other internal organs. Involuntary movement.



Some tissues

