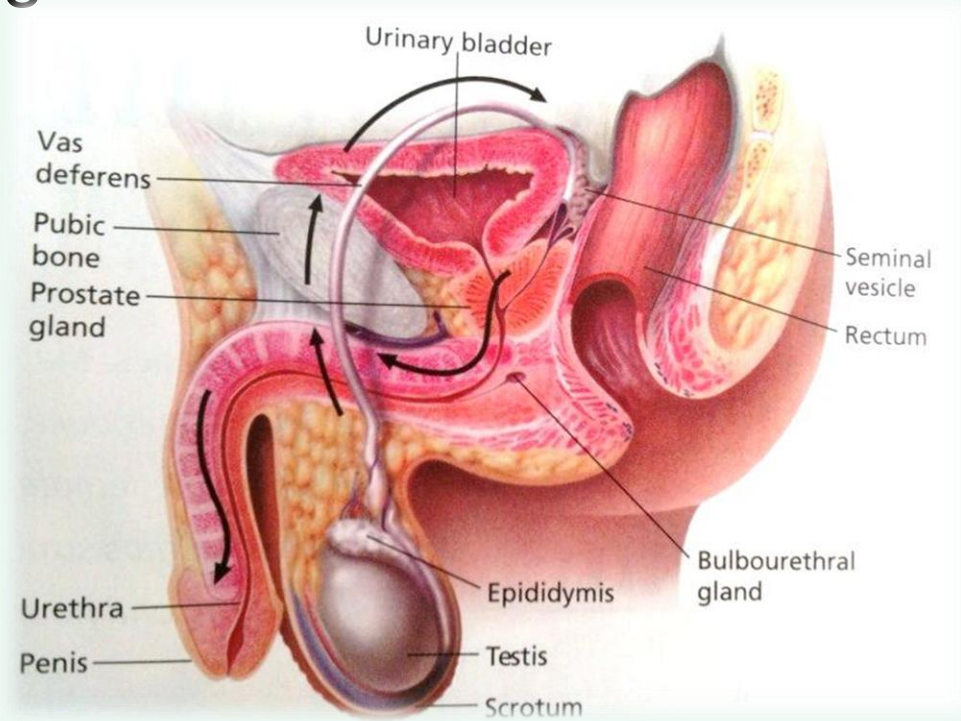




MALE REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM

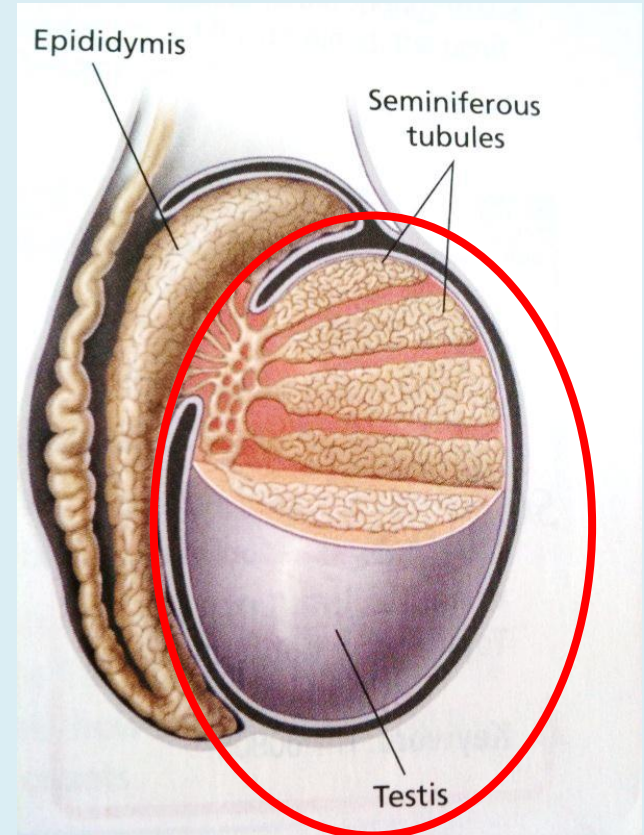
MALE REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM

- Testes
- Seminiferous tubules
- Scrotum
- Epididymis
- Vas deferens
- Seminal vesicles
- Prostate gland
- Bulbourethral gland
- Urethra
- Ejaculatory duct
- Penis



TESTES

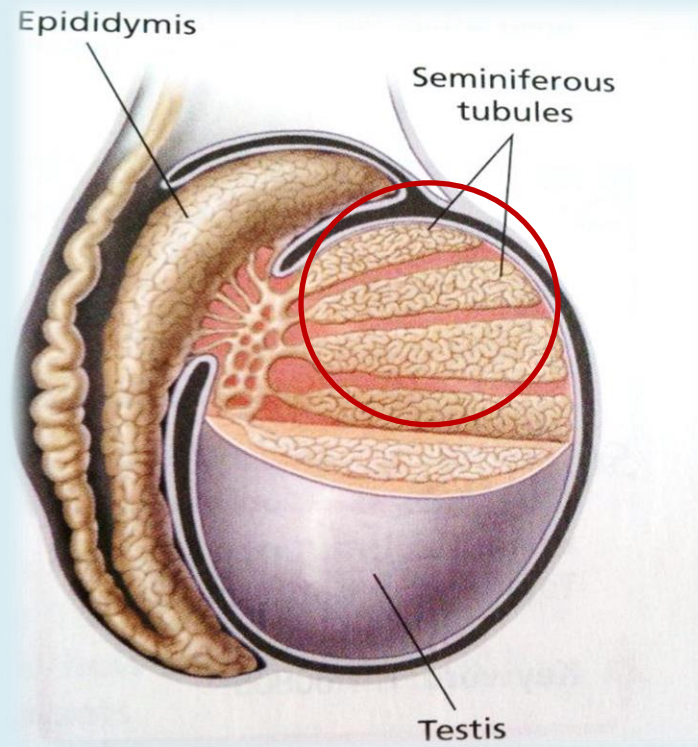
- The male reproductive system contains two egg-shaped testes, that are the gamete-producing organs.
- Each testis is about 4cm and has about 250 compartments that contain the **seminiferous tubules**.



Why are the testes outside the body?

SEMINIFEROUS TUBULES

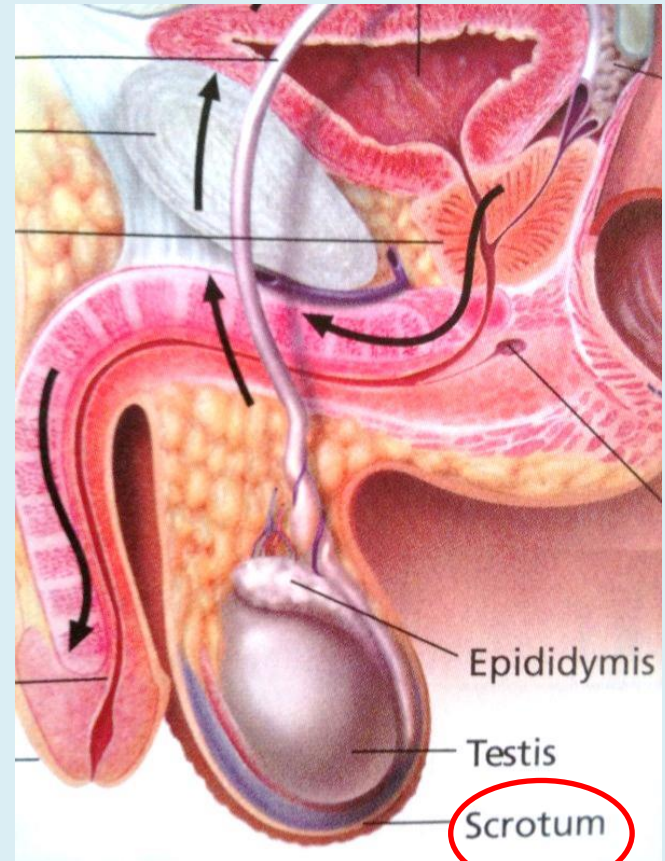
- Tubules inside the testes, where the sperm is produced.



SCROTUM

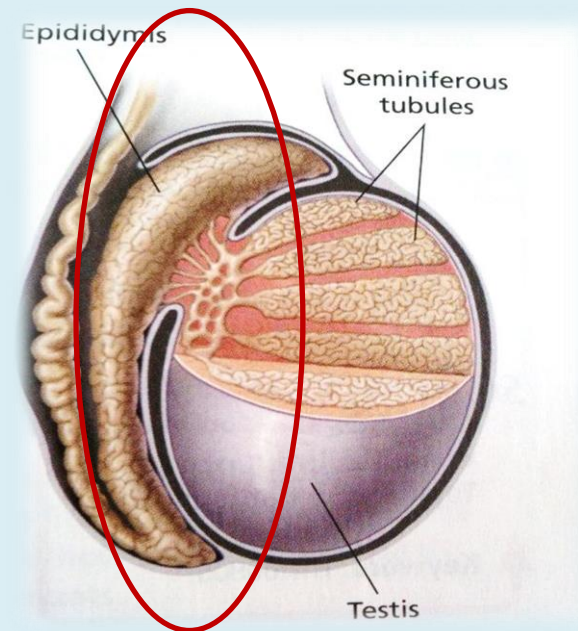
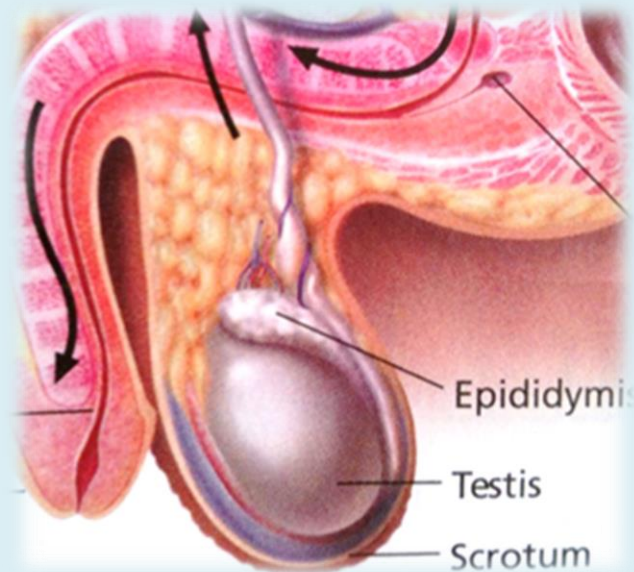
The testes develop within the abdominal cavity. Before a male is born, the testes leave this cavity and descend into a external sac called the scrotum.

The slightly cooler T° of the scrotum is necessary for the development of normal sperm.



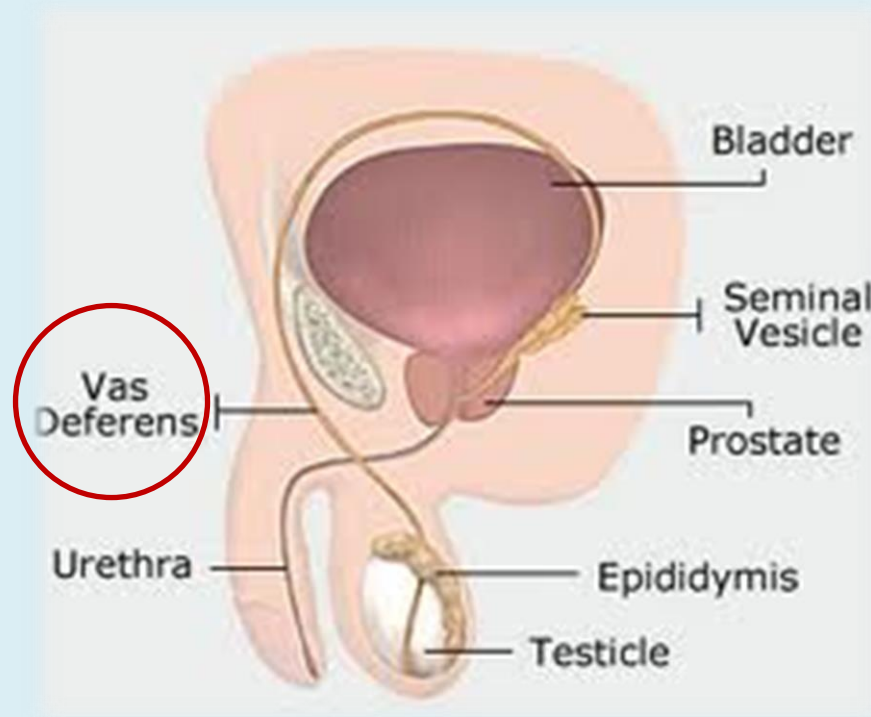
EPIDIDYMIS

Long coiled tube that is closely attached to each testes. Sperm matures inside the epididymis where is also stored.



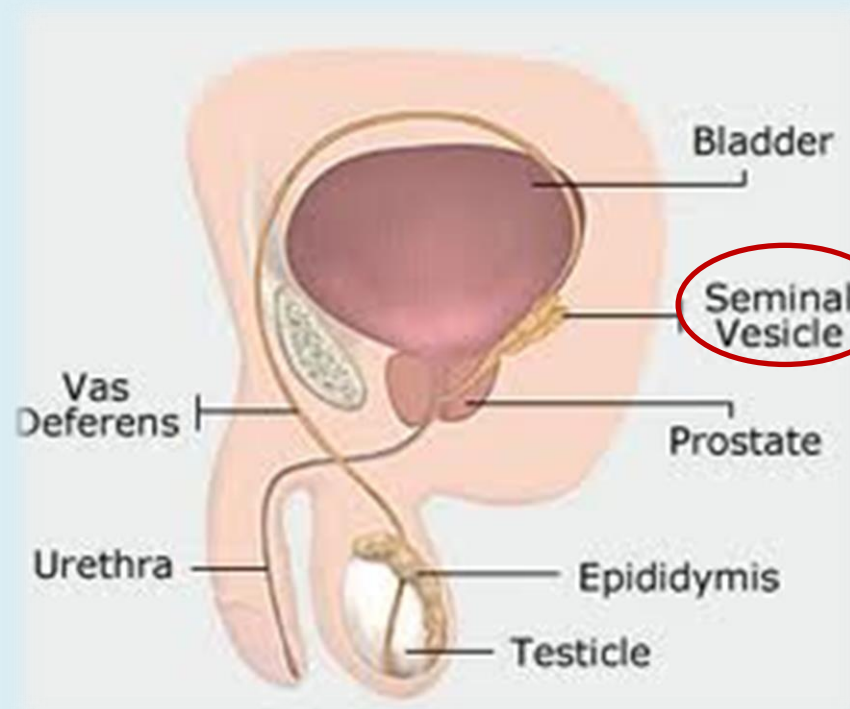
VAS DEFERENS

Duct through which sperm move from the epididymis to the ejaculatory duct at the base of the penis.



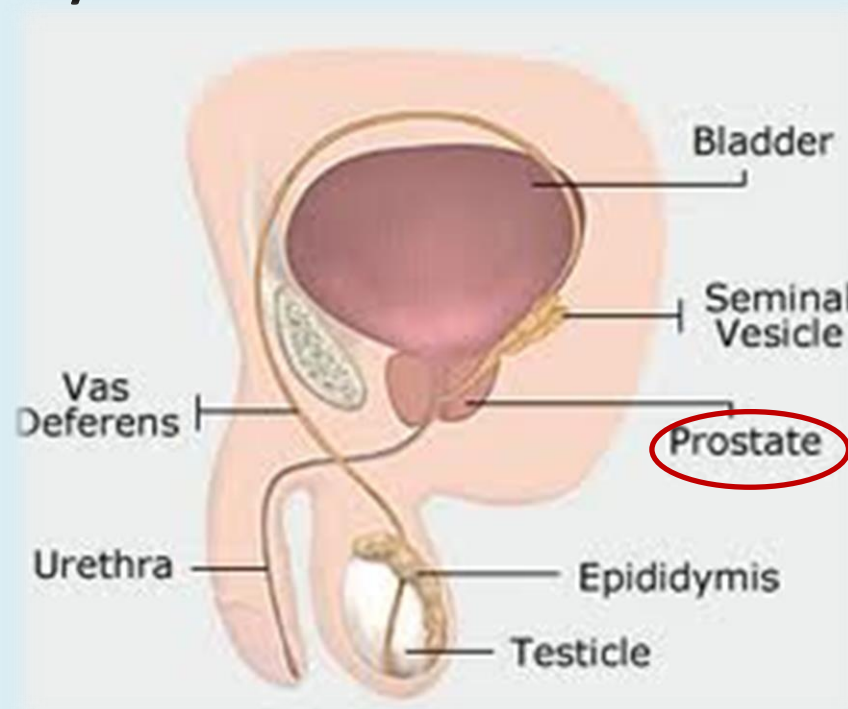
SEMINAL VESICLE

One of two glandular structures in male vertebrates that hold and secrete seminal fluid rich in sugars that sperm use for energy.



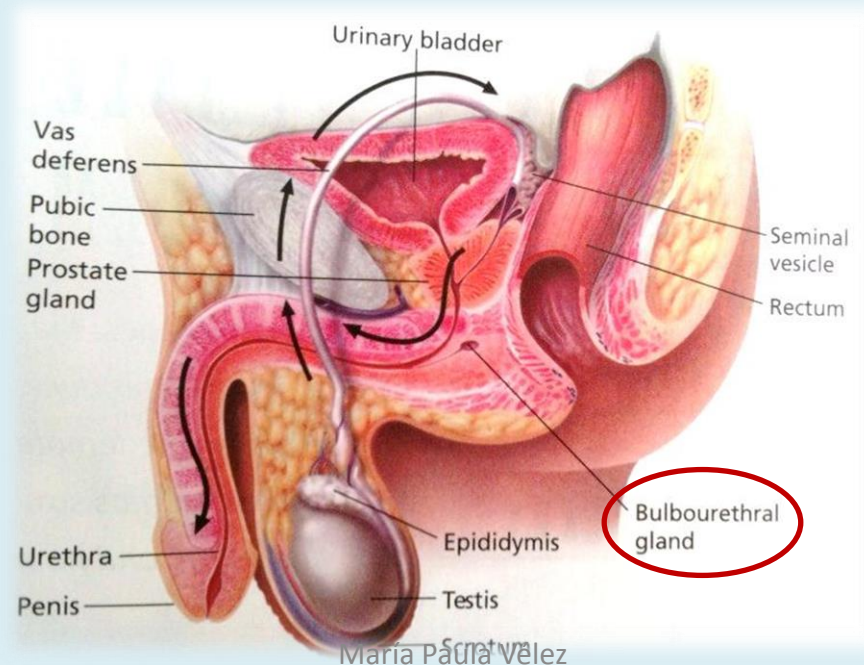
PROSTATE GLAND

Located below the bladder, secretes an alkaline fluid that neutralizes the acids in the female reproductive system.



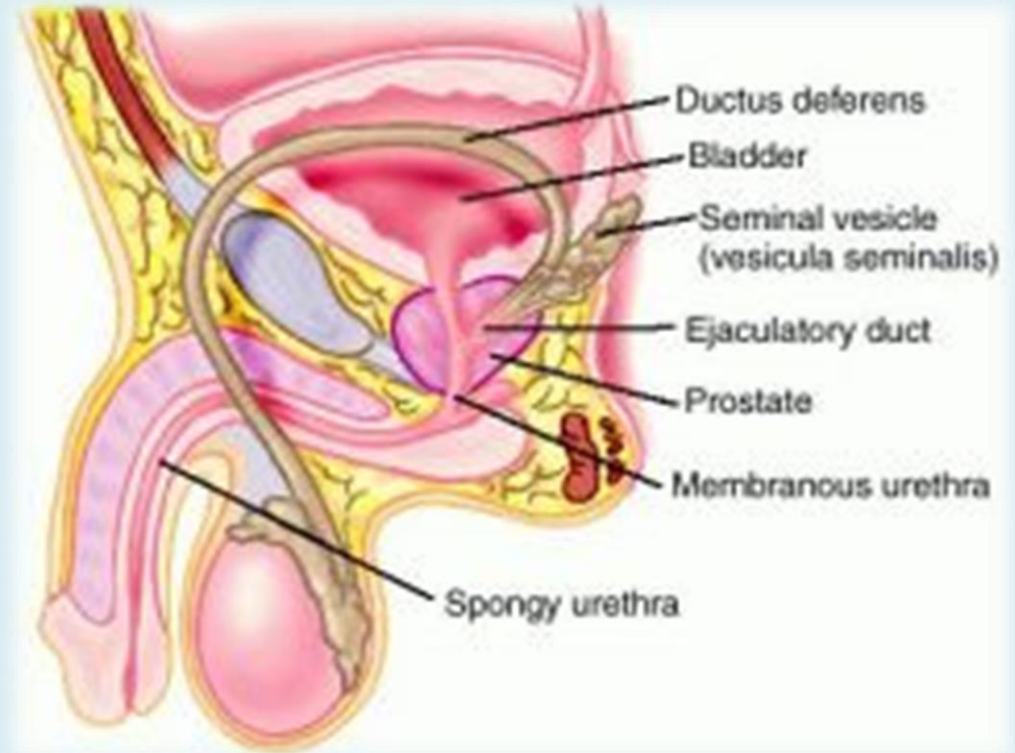
BULBOURETHRAL GLAND

- Before sperm leave the body, this gland secretes an alkaline fluid that neutralizes traces of acidic urine in the urethra.



Ejaculatory duct

Semen is already formed and passes through the ejaculatory duct before it reaches the urethra.



URETHRA

Tube that carries urine from the urinary bladder to the outside of the body.

