

Medical Terms

derived from Greek & Latin

consist of:-
 Medical roots [yukhis:si]
 Combining Form [word root + vowel]
 prefix
 Suffix

Medical root

Greek root
 disease condition
 treatment diagnosis
 Latin root
 anatomical structure

Suffix → describes:-
 pathology [disease & abnormality]
 symptom
 surgical or diagnostic procedure
 part of speech.

Building medical words

1 work root + suffix (begins with vowel)

→ gastritis
 word root
 suffix

2 combining form + suffix (begins with consonant)

hepato cyste
 combining form
 suffix

3 compound word = word root + word root
 begins with vowel.

osteoarthritis
 word root
 combining word root
 suffix

Prefix → indicates:-

number
 time
 position
 direction
 negation (absence)

Plural words

-a → ax/te → pleura → pleurae
 -ax → xx + ces → thorax → thoraces
 -en → enx + ina → lumen → lumina
 -is → isx + es → diagnosis → diagnoses
 -ix → ixX + ices → appendix → appendices
 -ex → exX + ices → apex → apices
 -ma → mav + ea → carcinoma → carcinomata
 -on → onX + a → ganglion → ganglia
 -um → umX + a → bacterium → bacteria
 -us → usX + i → brachius → brachii
 -y → yX + ies → deformity → deformities

Eponyms derived from the name of a person.

diseases body part, tools
 Addison Bowman capsules Foley's catheter
 Cushing Cooper's gland Hegler dilators
 Alzheimer Wernick's center
 Parkinson or orexa
 Stokes-Adams's synchon

Acronyms medical abbreviation.

ACTH → adreno corticotropic hormone
 AIDS → acquired immune deficiency syndrome
 HDL → high density lipo protein.
 RBBB → right bundle branch block.
 ADH → anti-diuretic hormone.
 RBC → red blood cell
 MI → myocardial infarction
 TB → Tuberculosis

Medical Terms

G	dermatobas	Cutane	skin
stomach-	or	ven	mouth
neph			kidney
erythr			red
gastr			stomach
hepat			liver
immun			immune
oste			bone
arthr			joint
itis			inflammation
megaly			enlargement
ovul			tumor
cyte			cell
chondro			cartilage
algia			pain
uria			urine
ectomy			excision
osis			condition
stenas			narrowing
stenosis			discharge
rheax			ins → to vira
scope			rupture
rhix			poison
toxic			disease
pathy			nose
rhino			birth.
ost			extremities
acr			blood.
emic			
ACE			angiotensin converting enzyme
Hx			history.