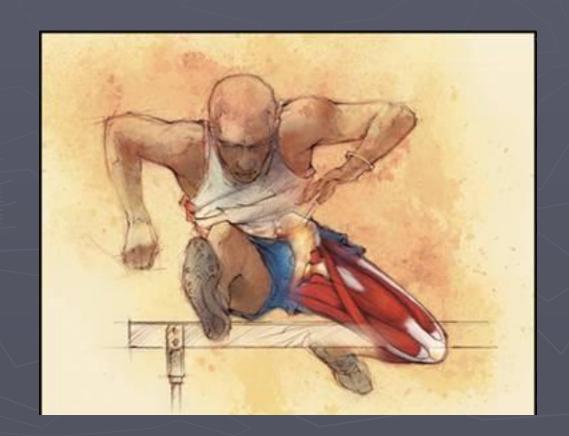
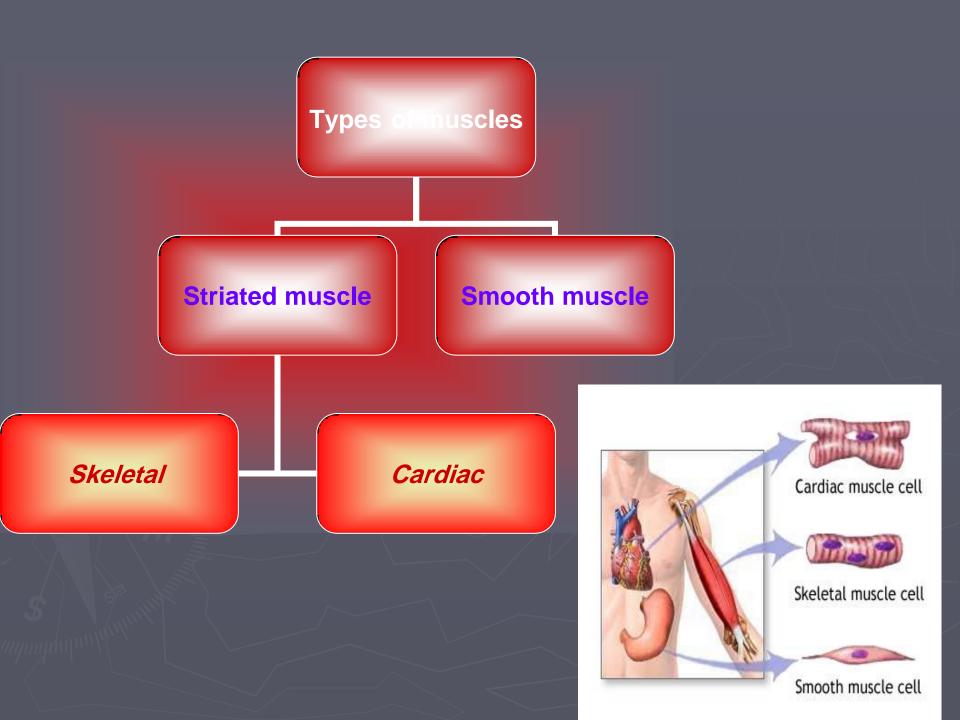
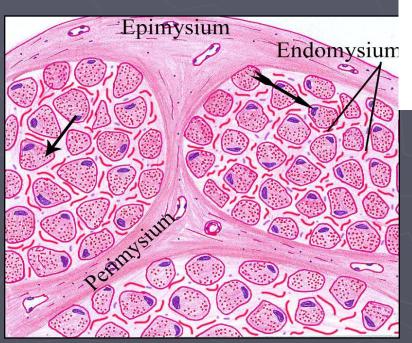
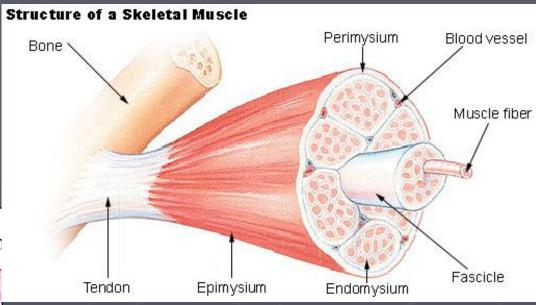
MUSCLE TISSUE (Lab)





The connective tissue component of the skeletal muscle





L.S of skeletal muscle

Skeletal muscle fibers (cells):

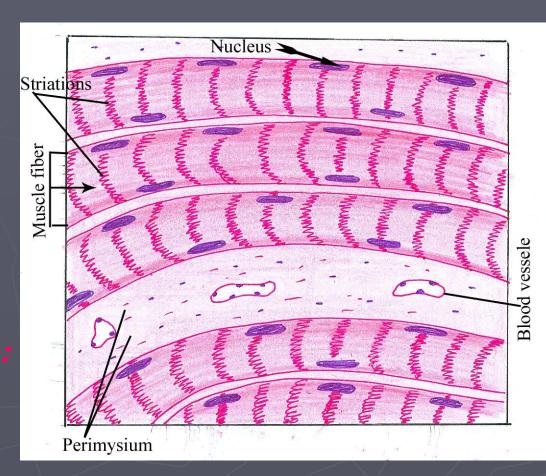
- -long
- -cylindrical in shape
- -multinucleated
- with ovoid elongated nuclei

located just beneath the

sarcolemma (cell membrane)

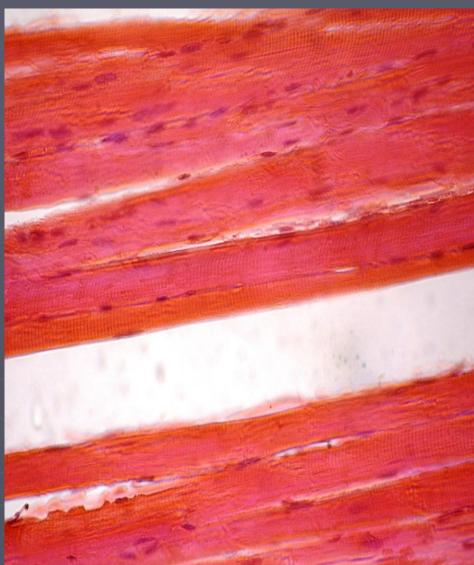
The sarcoplasm (cytoplasm)

- -deeply acidophilic
- -filled with long, cylinderical, parallel fibrils called myofibrils.

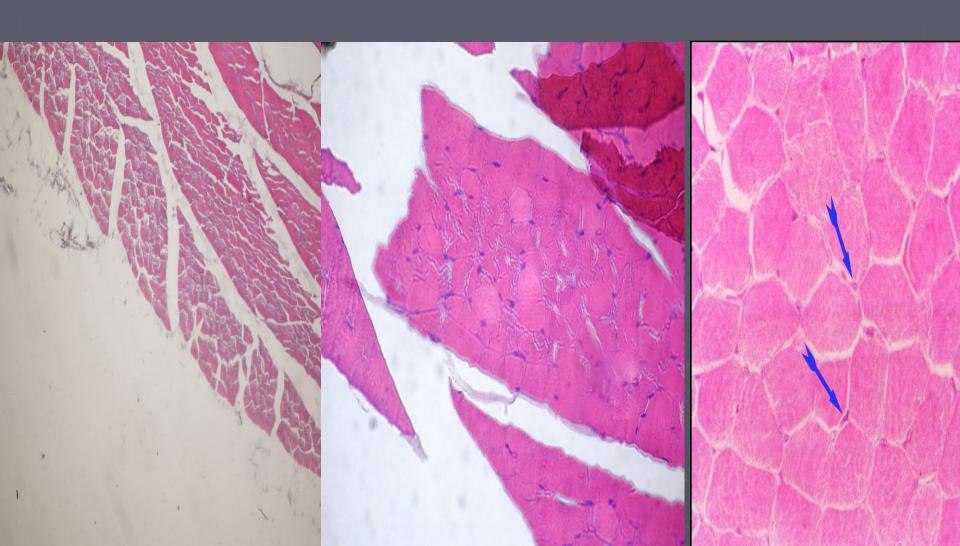


L.S of skeletal muscle





T.S of skeletal muscle



Sarcomere of skeletal muscle

- Each muscle fiber *(myofiber)* contains *myofibrils* which composed of bundles of *myofilaments* which are the contractile elements of striated muscle. These myofilaments

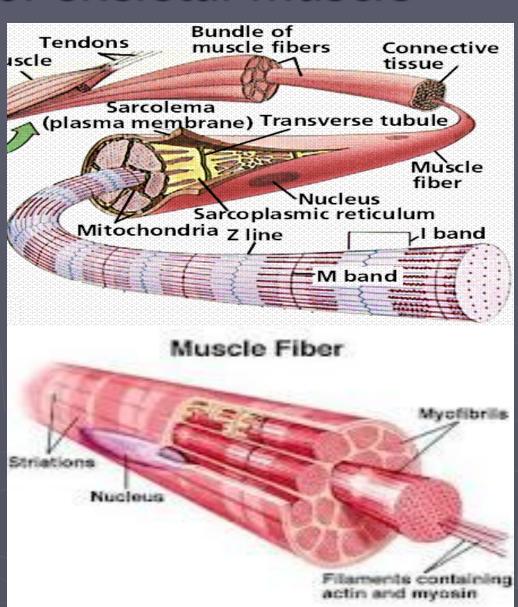
1- Thin filaments (actin).

2- Thick filaments (myosin).

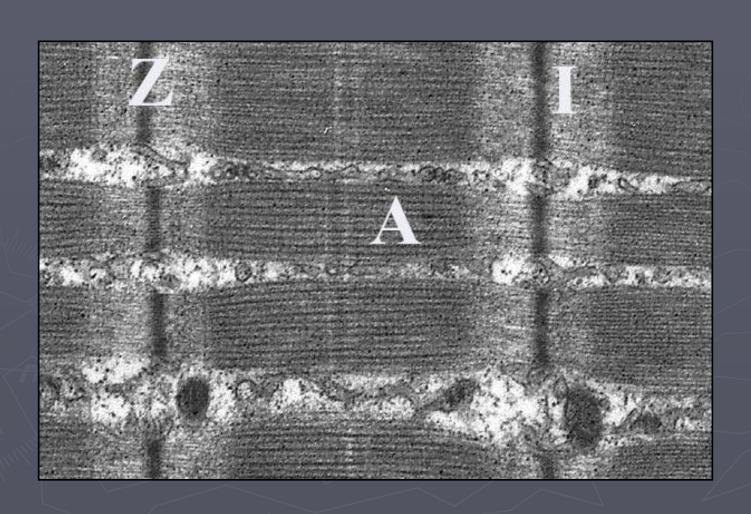
-The arrangment of actin and myosin filaments gives the myofibrils their *characteristic regular striation*

Sarcomere

The smallest repetitive unit in LS of the myofibril is called sarcomere which extends from one Z line to the next.



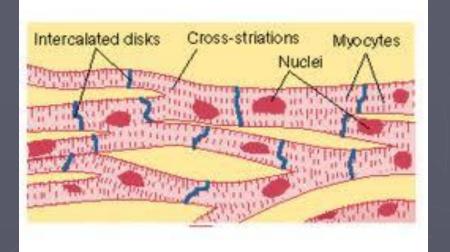
Sarcomere of skeletal muscle

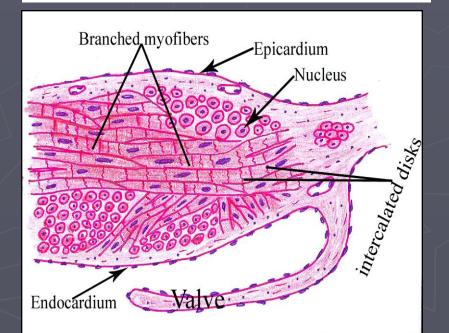


Cardiac muscle

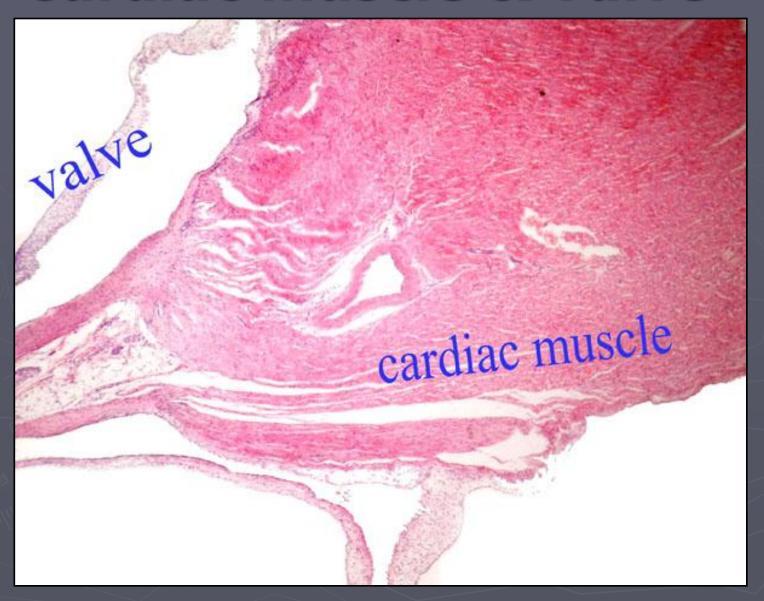
Cardiac muscle fibers

- cylindrical in shape.
- They branch and anastomose with each other.
- -composed of several cardiac muscle cells smaller than the skeletal one -run in different directions
- -binuclated
- Less acidophilic





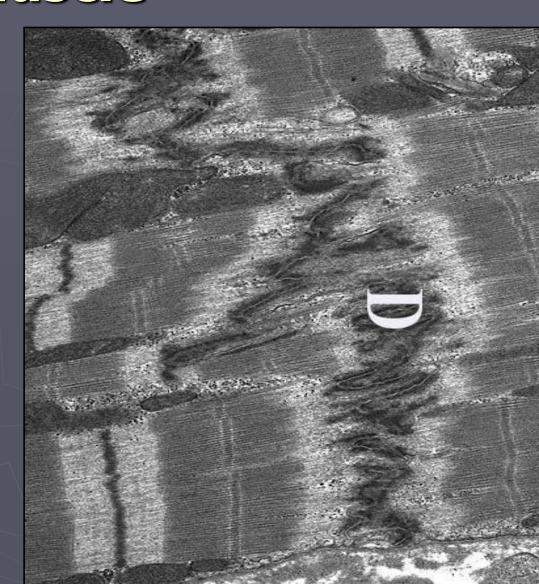
Cardiac muscle & Valve



Intercalated disc of cardiac muscle

Cardiac muscle has the same types and arrangement of myofilaments (thick and thin filaments) as those of skeletal muscle.

- The intercalated disks (D) represent the junctional complexes between the cell membranes of 2 successive cardiac muscle cells.





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