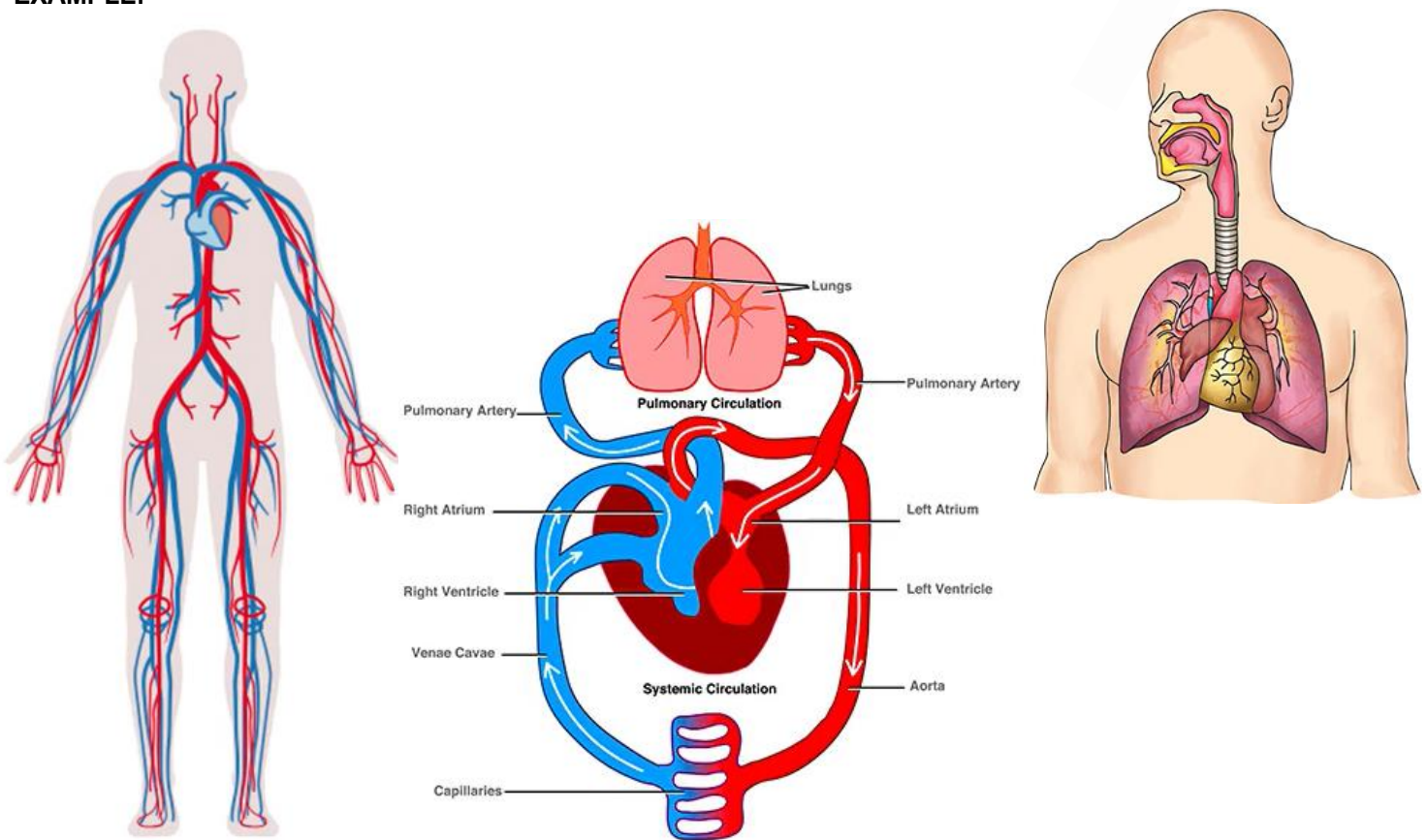


## CONCEPT: GAS EXCHANGE AND CIRCULATION

- **Respiratory system** – draws in gases from the environment, intakes  $O_2$  and outputs  $CO_2$
- **Circulatory system** – transports  $O_2$ ,  $CO_2$ , nutrients, hormones, and blood cells
  - Delivers  $O_2$  to cells for cellular respiration, and removes waste  $CO_2$
- **Ventilation** – movement of air, or water, through organs of gas exchange, like lungs or gills
- **Gas exchange** – diffusion of  $O_2$  and  $CO_2$  at respiratory tissue surface
- **Circulation** – transport of diffused gases throughout the body
- **Cellular respiration** –  $O_2$  is final electron acceptor of ETC, and  $CO_2$  is byproduct of glycolysis and citric acid cycle

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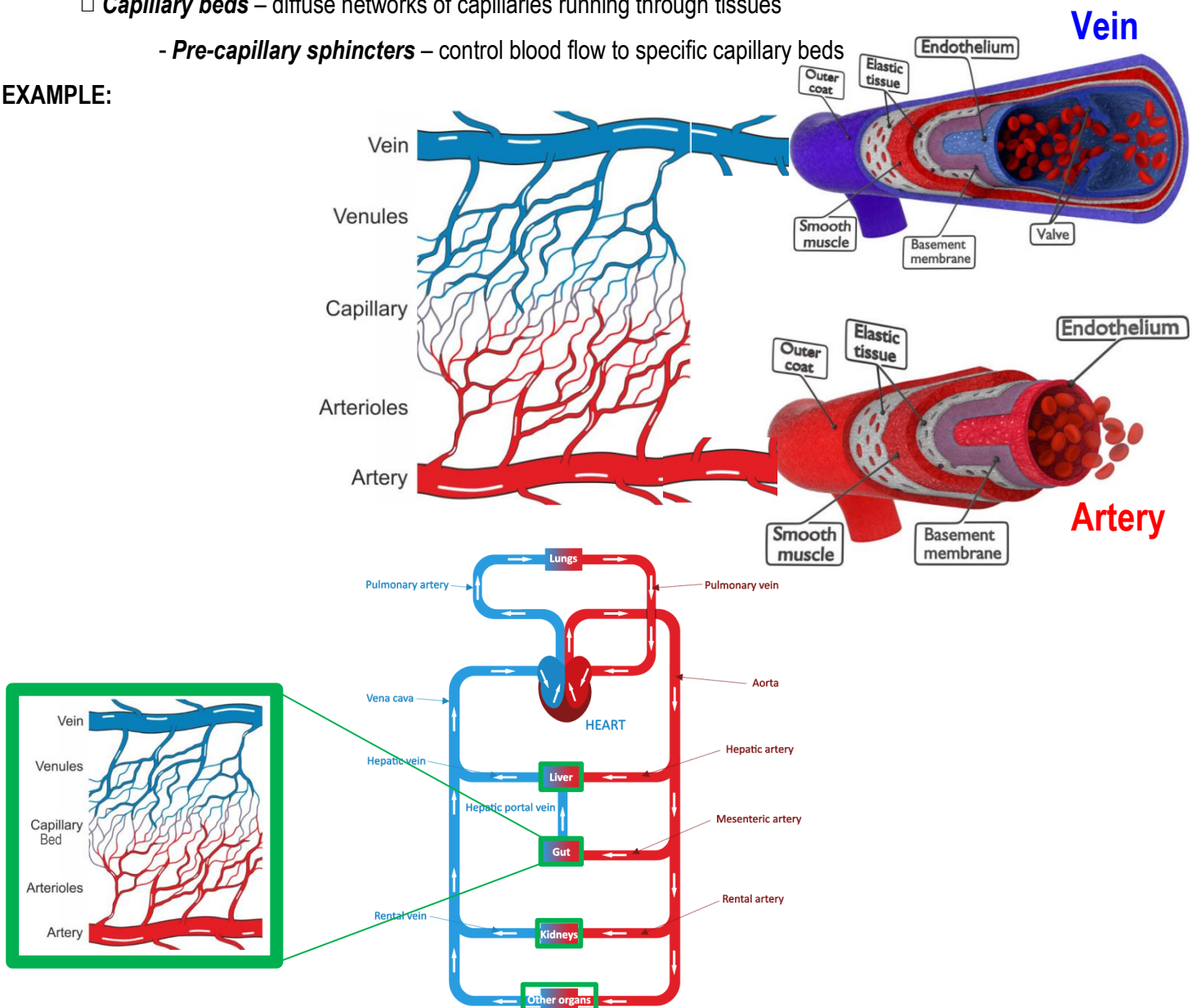


- **Pulmonary circulation** – carries deoxygenated blood from the heart to the lungs, and oxygenated blood to the heart
  - Deoxygenated blood carrying  $CO_2$  from tissues is moved from the heart to the lungs
  - Waste  $CO_2$  diffuses into the lungs, where it is exhaled
  - Inhaled  $O_2$  diffuses into the blood, and the oxygenated blood return to the heart
- **Systemic circulation** – oxygen-rich blood moves through arteries to tissues throughout the body
  - $O_2$  diffuses into cells, to be used in the mitochondrial matrix
  - Delivers nutrients and carries away waste from tissues
  - Deoxygenated blood carrying  $CO_2$  returns to the heart from the tissues

## CONCEPT: VASCULATURE

- **Endothelium** – epithelial tissue that lines the interior surface of blood vessels and lymphatic vessels
- **Arteries** – transport blood away from the heart, oxygenated in systemic loop, deoxygenated in pulmonary loop
  - Have elastic walls, and are wrapped in smooth muscle allowing them to change their diameter
  - **Arterioles** – small arteries that branch off by capillary beds, have smooth muscle, and smaller diameter
- **Veins** – transport blood to the heart, deoxygenated in systemic loop, oxygenated in pulmonary loop
  - Have less smooth muscle than arteries, but many veins run through skeletal muscles
  - Contain valves to prevent backflow of blood, since pressure is lower than in arteries
  - **Veinules** – converge to form veins, formed from capillaries converging
- **Capillaries** – tiny vessels with walls only one-cell thick with a diameter roughly equivalent to that of a red blood cell
  - Only site of exchange between blood and tissues, endothelial tissue with no smooth muscle
  - **Capillary beds** – diffuse networks of capillaries running through tissues
    - **Pre-capillary sphincters** – control blood flow to specific capillary beds

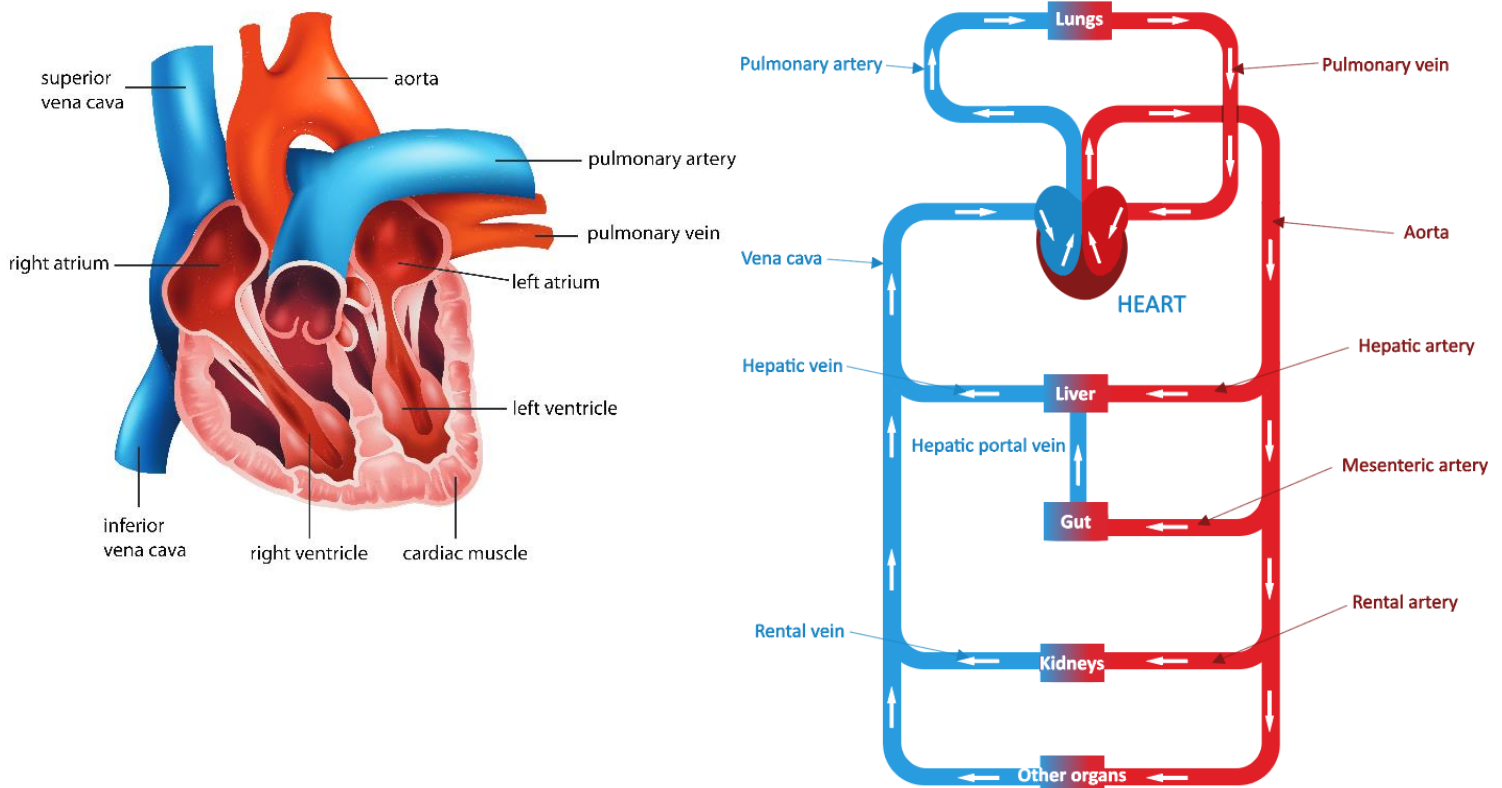
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## CONCEPT: HEART ANATOMY

- **Heart** – muscular organ that contracts to generate pressure waves that push blood through blood vessels
  - **Atria** – receive blood from veins
  - **Ventricles** – receive blood from atria, and pump blood into arteries
  - **Atrioventricular valves** – prevent backflow from ventricle to atrium, tricuspid valve on right, mitral valve on left
  - **Semilunar valves** – prevent backflow from arteries to ventricles, pulmonary valve on right, aortic valve on left
    - Heart murmur – blood moves back across a valve, often due to damage or infection in valve
- **Pulmonary artery** – delivers deoxygenated blood from the heart to the capillary beds in the lungs
- **Pulmonary veins** – delivers oxygenated blood from the lungs back to the heart
- **Aorta** – delivers oxygenated blood from the heart to the tissues
- **Venae cava (superior and inferior)** – delivers deoxygenated blood to the heart from capillary beds in the body's tissues

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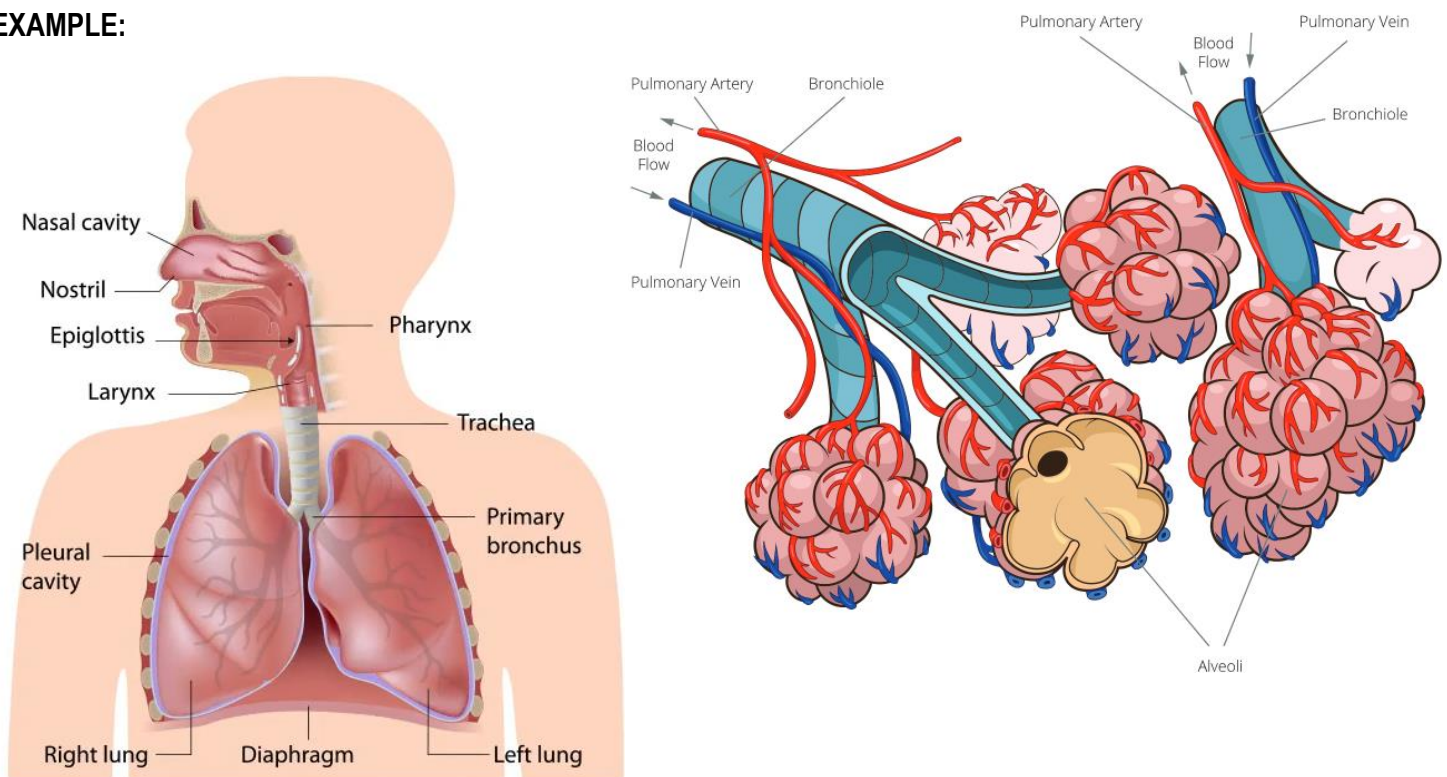


- Pulmonary circulation – right atrium → right ventricle → pulmonary artery → lungs → pulmonary vein → left atrium
  - Oxygenates the bloods in capillary beds at the alveoli of the lungs, gets rid of waste  $\text{CO}_2$
- Systemic circulation – left atrium → left ventricle → aorta → body tissues → venae cava → right atrium
  - Delivers  $\text{O}_2$  to tissues via capillary beds throughout the body, and picks up waste  $\text{CO}_2$

## CONCEPT: LUNG ANATOMY

- **Pharynx** – throat area behind the mouth, shared passage way for air, food, and water
- **Trachea** – brings air from pharynx to lungs, supported by c-shaped cartilage rings
  - **Larynx** – beginning of the trachea, contains the vocal folds
  - Primary bronchi – first branches into the lungs
- **Bronchi** – branches from the primary bronchi that diffuse through the lungs, supported by cartilage
  - **Bronchioles** – smallest branches of the bronchi, supported by smooth muscle
- **Lungs** – organs of respiration that inhale air to absorb  $O_2$ , and exhale waste  $CO_2$  from cellular respiration
  - **Alveoli** – grape-like ends of the smallest bronchioles where gas exchange occurs between air and blood
    - Thin, aqueous interface between air and surrounding capillary bed
    - Surfactant – mix of phospholipids and proteins produced by some alveoli to reduce surface tension
- **Diaphragm** – sheet of muscle that separates thoracic (chest) and abdominal (belly) cavities

## EXAMPLE:

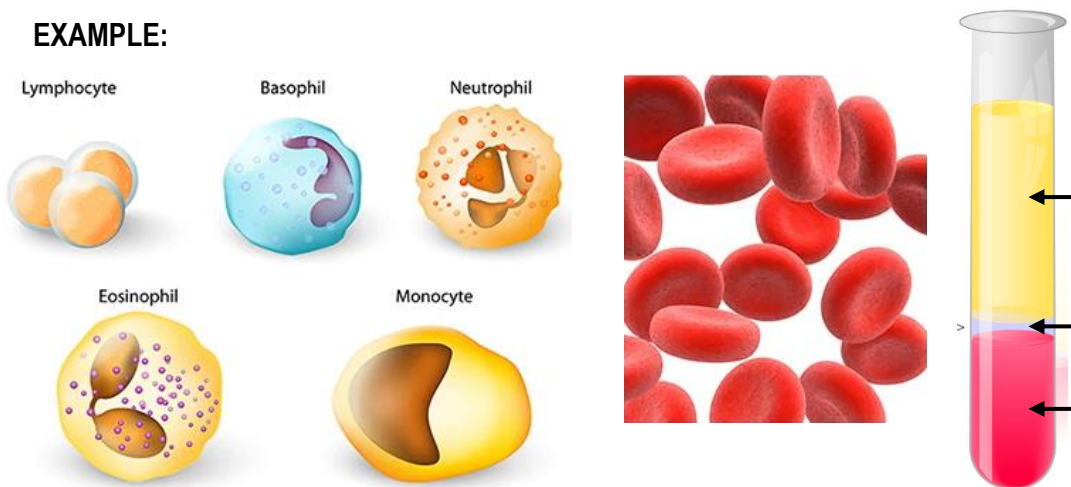




## CONCEPT: BLOOD COMPOSITION

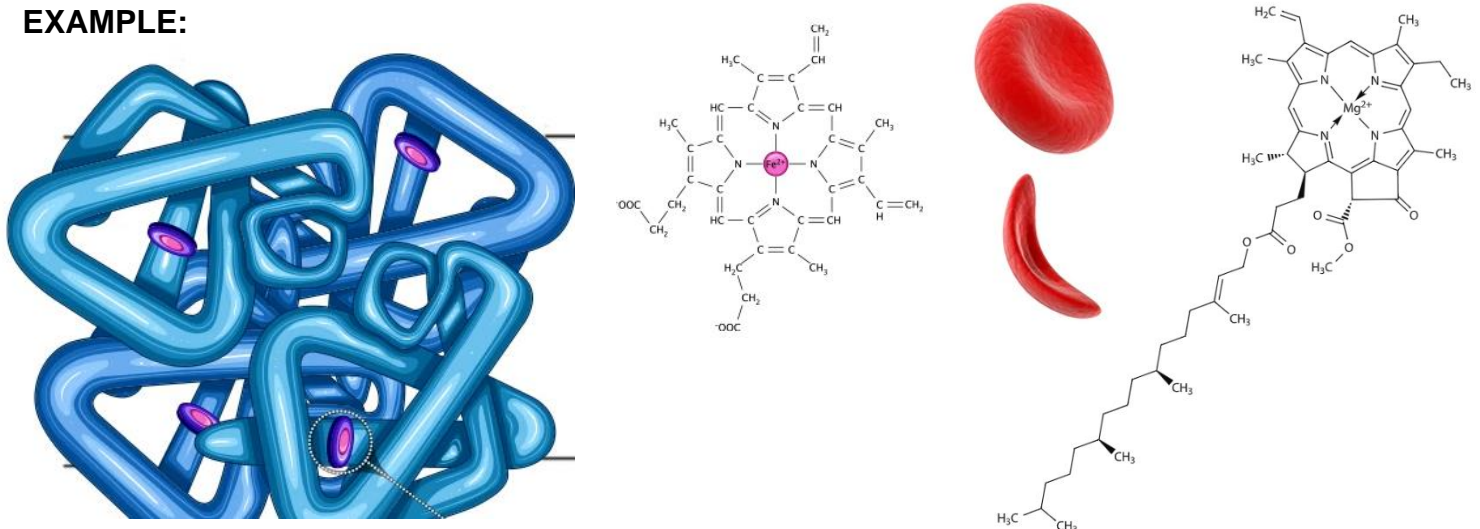
- **Blood** – fluid that flows through blood vessels, transports nutrients and wastes, and performs gas exchange with tissues
- **Plasma** – special extracellular matrix that composes the liquid part of blood
  - Made of water, electrolytes, organic compounds, and dissolved gases
- **Platelets** – small cell fragments that are involved in the **blood clotting** wound response
  - Rapidly plug holes, while other factors are recruited to help seal the wound site
  - **Thrombus** – clot that forms in a blood vessel blocking blood flow
- **White blood cells (leukocytes)** – immune system cells that help identify and fight infections
- **Red blood cells (erythrocytes)** – carry  $O_2$  from the lungs via hemoglobin, lack nuclei and organelles at maturity
  - **Erythropoietin** – hormone secreted by the kidney to stimulate RBC production in bone marrow

## EXAMPLE:



- Respiratory pigments – molecules that increase the oxygen-carrying capacity of blood, change color from  $O_2$  binding
  - **Hemoglobin** – protein made of 4 polypeptide subunits that contain hemes to bind oxygen
    - **Heme** – iron-containing cofactor with porphyrin ring that is reduced/oxidized to transport  $O_2$  in RBCs
  - **Myoglobin** – primary pigment of skeletal muscles, contains only 1 heme, binds  $O_2$  tighter than hemoglobin
- **Sickle-cell disease** – abnormal form of hemoglobin aggregates in RBCs, distorting shape, and inhibiting functions

## EXAMPLE:



## CONCEPT: LYMPHATIC SYSTEM

- **Lymphatic system** – network of lymphatic vessels that carry lymph toward the heart
  - Drains plasma from interstitial fluid, and plays important role in the immune system
  - **Lymph** – clear fluid that circulates through lymphatic system, forms when interstitial fluid enters lymphatic ducts
  - **Lymph nodes** – organs of the lymphatic system that are critical to immune function
  - Spleen and thymus important organs of lymphatic system

### EXAMPLE:

