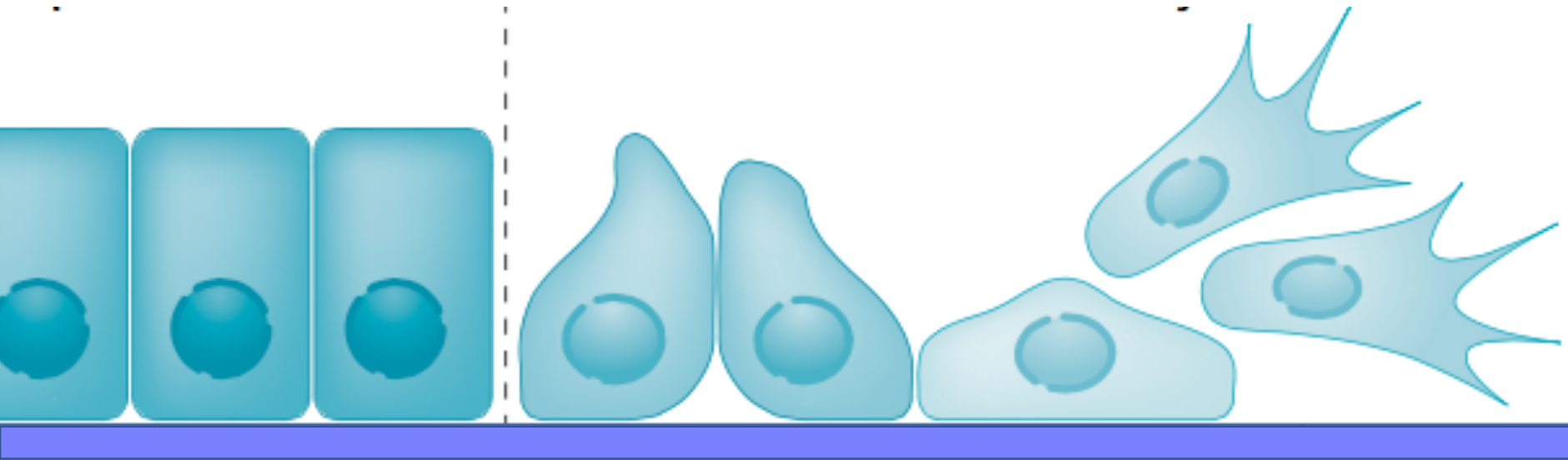


Adh rence, polarit , migration

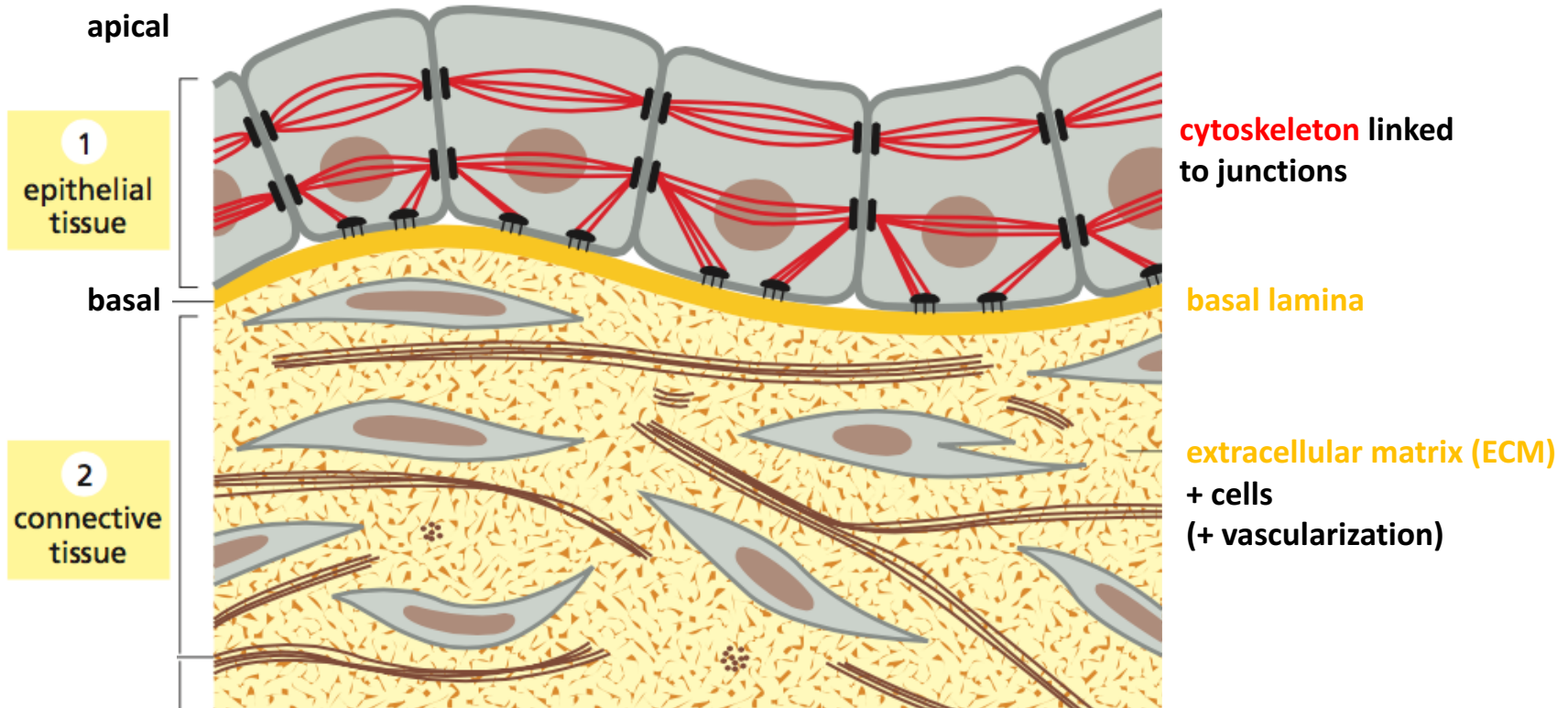


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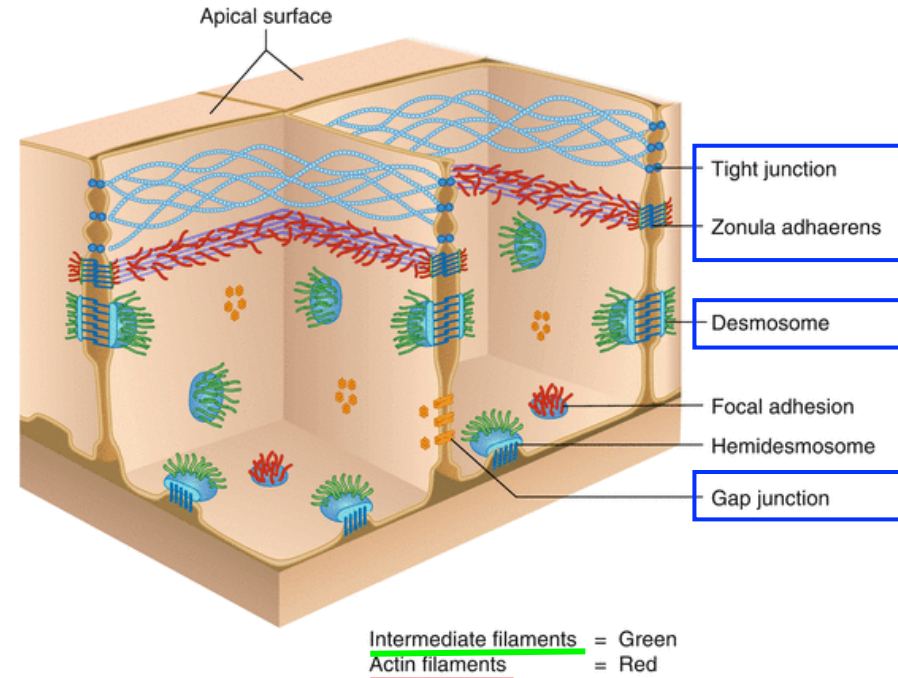
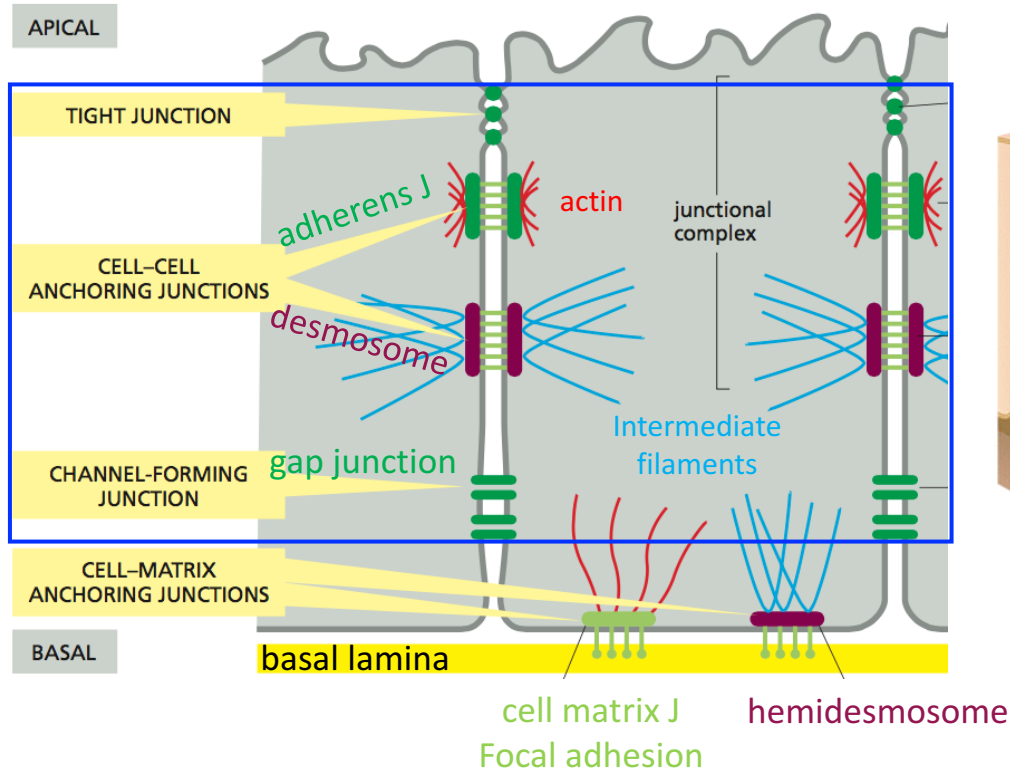
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Epithelial cells hold together and to the extracellular matrix

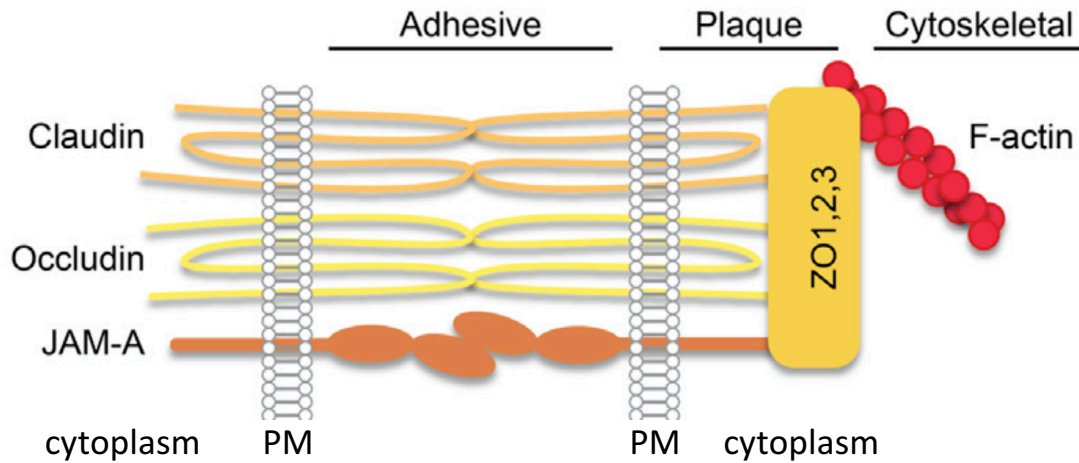


6 types of junctions in epithelial cells :

4 are cell-cell junctions

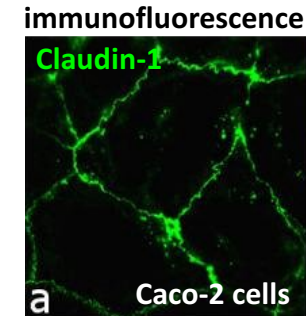


1. Tight junctions : claudins / occludins / JAMs

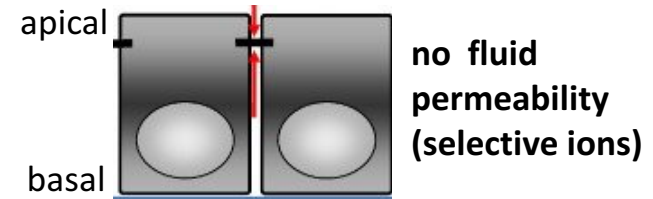


JAM : Junctional Adhesion Molecule (immunoglobulin super family)
 ZO : Zonula Occludens proteins
 PM : plasma membrane

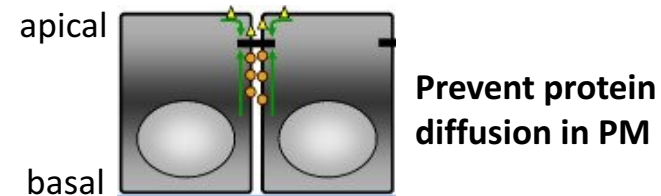
**transmembrane homophilic adhesion proteins
 + cytoplasmic scaffold proteins**



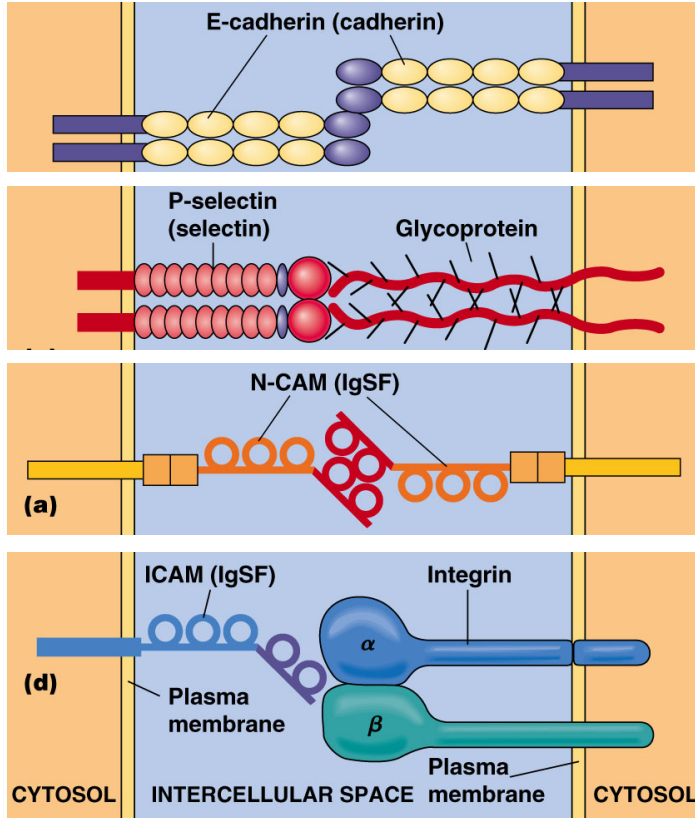
Barrier for extracellular matrix



Fence in plasma membrane



2. & 3. Cell-cell anchoring junctions : cell adhesion molecules (CAMs)



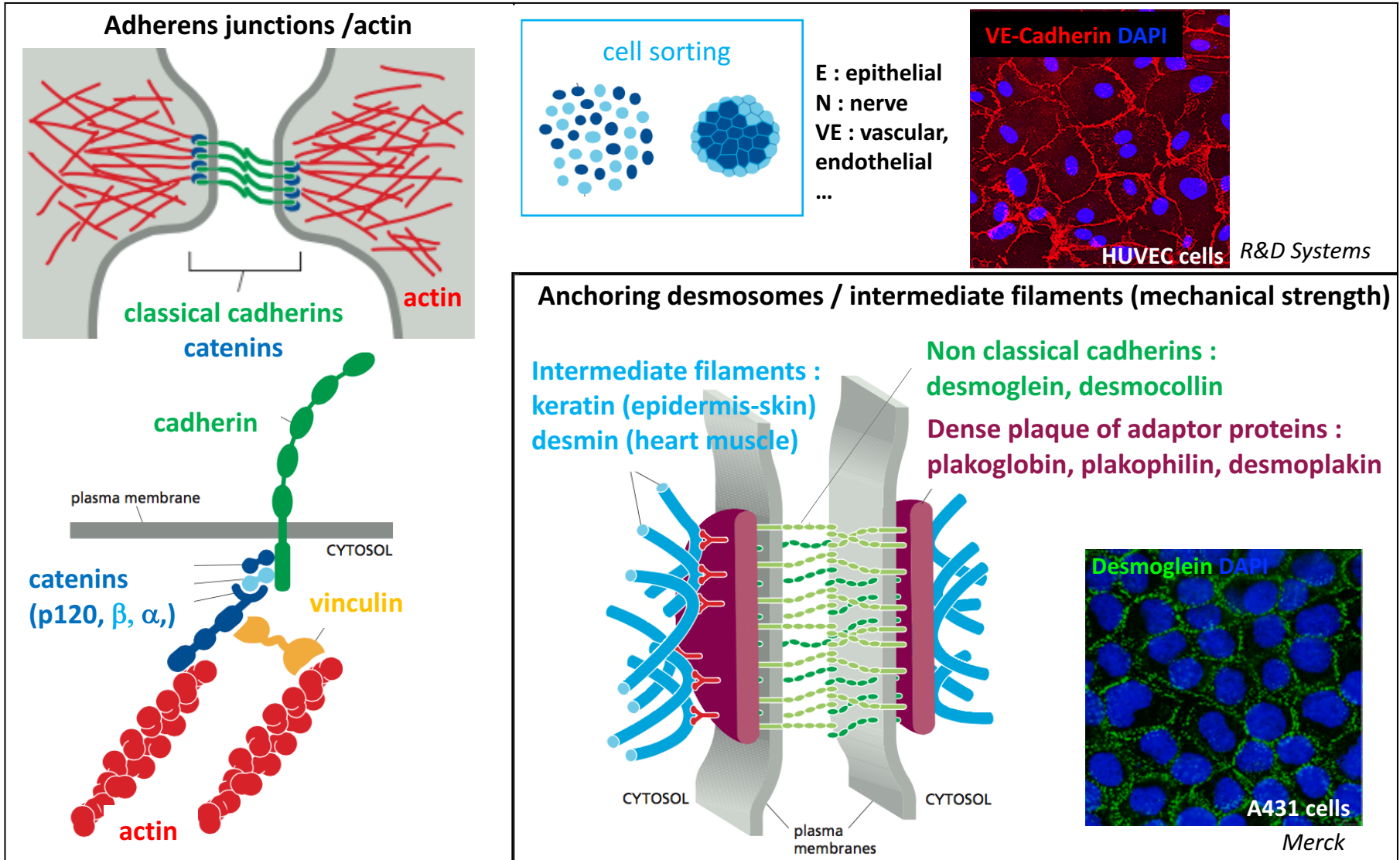
Cadherins / tissue integrity (homophilic, **Ca²⁺ dpt**)
Adherens junctions
(non classical cadherins in desmosomes)

Selectins / transient binding to glycoproteins (**Ca²⁺ dpt**)
Transient junctions (heterophilic)

IgCAMs : immunoglobulin super family (fine tuning adhesion)
- **NCAM** neural (homophilic)
- **EpCAM** epithelial (homophilic)
- **ICAMs** intercellular, **VCAMs** vascular (heterophilic integrin)

(cell / matrix junctions: Integrin / ECM binding (**Ca²⁺ dpt**))

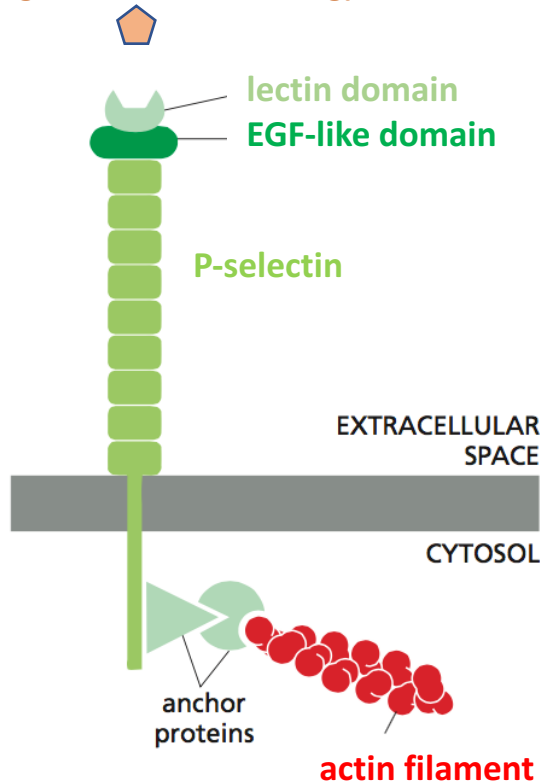
2. Adherens junctions and Desmosomes : cadherins



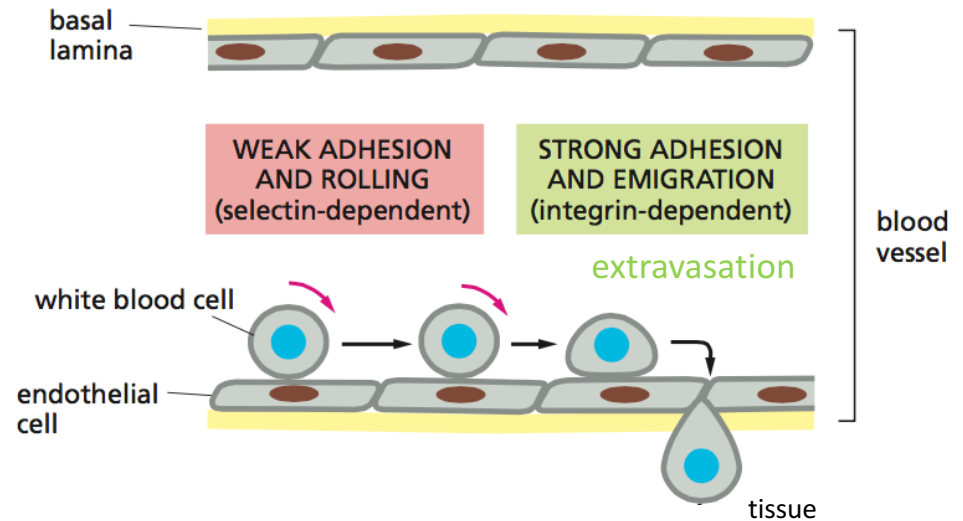
3. Transient cell-cell adhesion : selectins

(not epithelial-epithelial contact)

Ligands = Glycoproteins, glycolipids
(oligosaccharide binding)



Traffic of white blood cells in vessels rolling in the bloodstream
and going into lymphoid organ or inflamed tissue



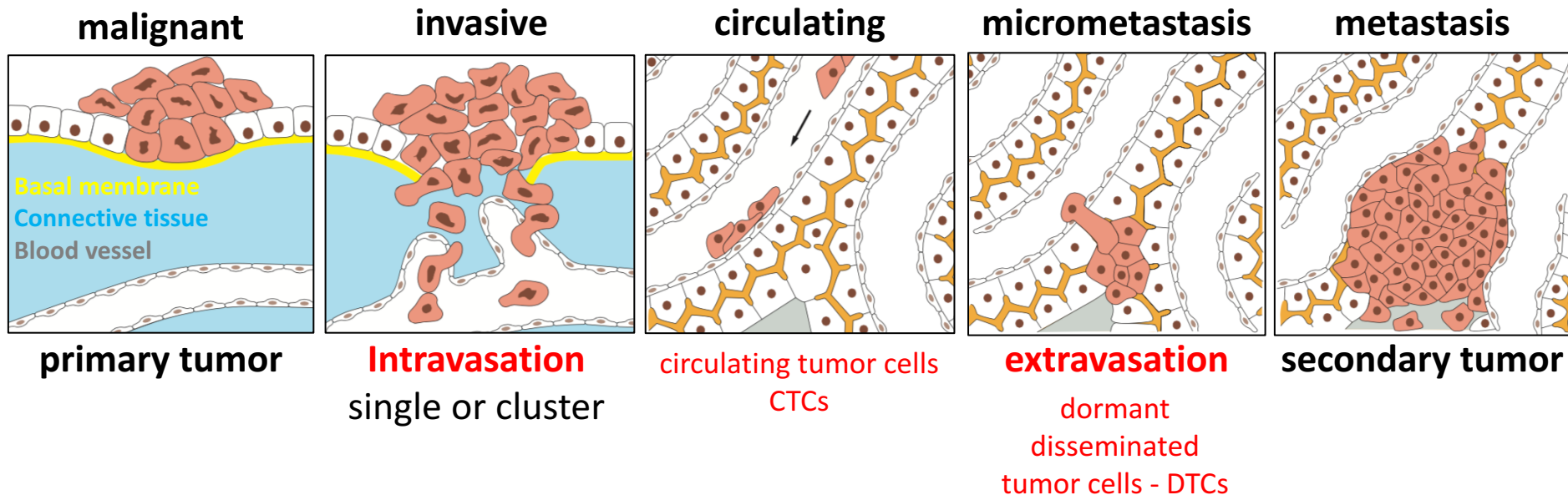
- E-selectin** : activated endothelial cells
- P-selectin** : activated endothelial cells, platelets
- Binding to white blood cells (ex : leukocytes)**
- L-selectin** : white blood cells (ex : leukocytes)
- Binding to cancer cells**

Circulating cancer cells (CTCs) in blood vessels

A **tumor/neoplasm** is a type of **abnormal and excessive growth** of tissue. The word **tumor** comes from the Latin word for **swelling**.

Tumor/neoplasm are classified into four main groups:

- Benign (ex: skin mole)
- In situ (potentially malignant)
- Unknown behavior
- **Malignant = cancers (focus of oncology)**



3. Transient cell-cell adhesion : selectins

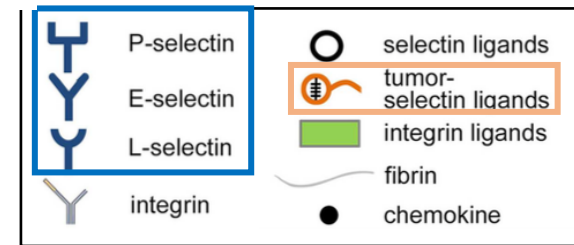
(not epithelial-epithelial contact)

Tumor cells in blood vessels rolling in the bloodstream

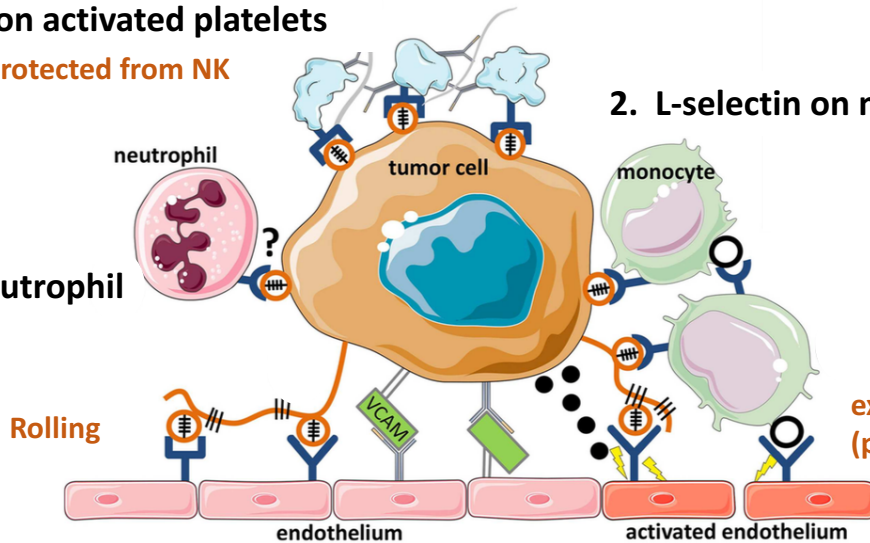
1. P-selectin on activated platelets

Cancer cell protected from NK

2. L-selectin on monocyte



2. L-selectin on neutrophil



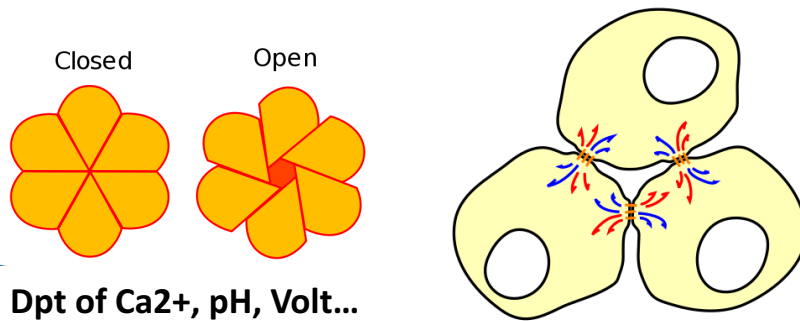
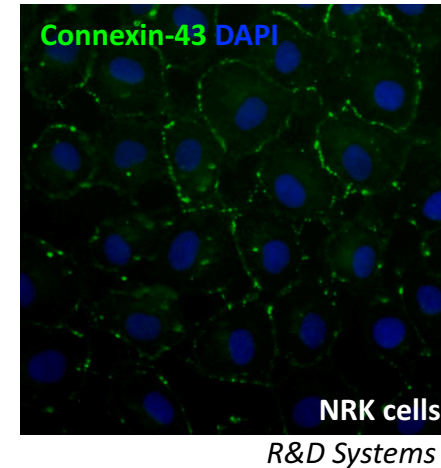
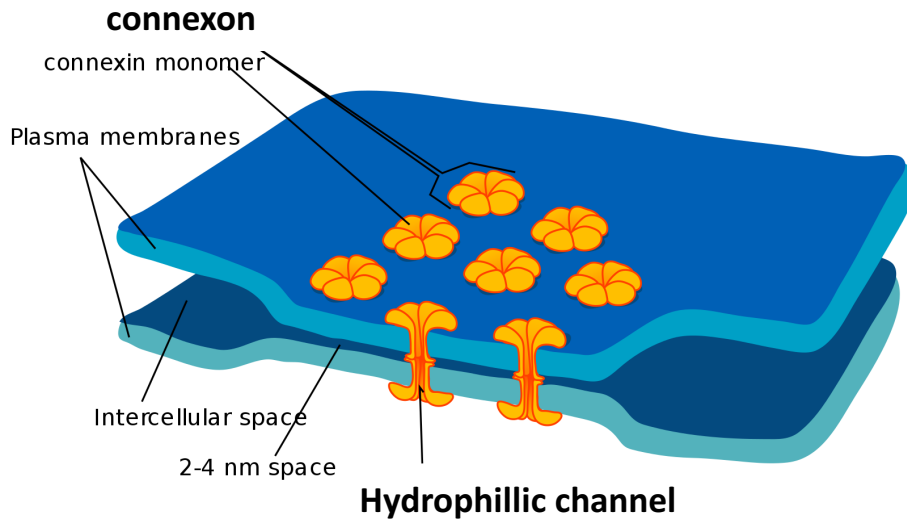
extravasation to adjacent tissue
(possible metastasis)

3. P/E-selectin on endothelium

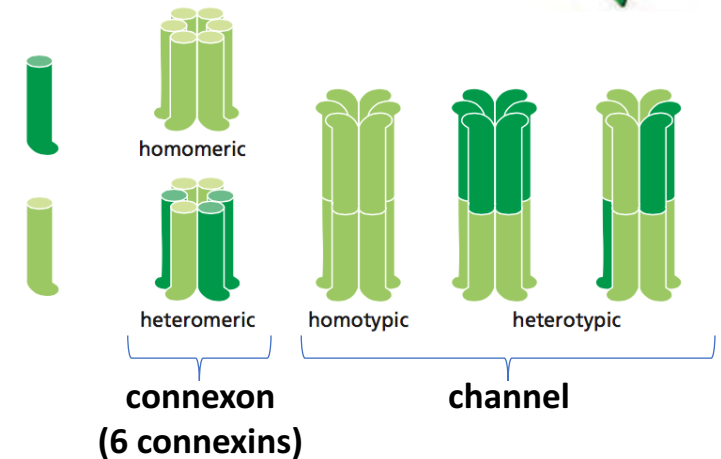
3. Integrin / VCAM adhesion

4. E-selectin on activated endothelium

4. Channel / gap junctions : connexins



Pore size of 1.4 nm, exchange inorganic ions and small water-soluble molecules (1 kDa)
Chemical and electrical coupling



Adapted from wikipedia

Figures 19-23 & 25, Molecular Biology of the Cell 6th

Cell-cell junctions and diseases

Tight junctions : claudins

Leaky barrier : enteric disorder, asthma, neurodegeneration ...

Sawada, Path. International, 2012, Greene et al., Fluids & Barriers of the CNS, 2019

Anchoring junctions : adherence - classical cadherins

Macular dystrophy (eye disease)

El-Amraoui & Petit, Pro. Mol. Biol. Trans. Sci., 2013

Anchoring junctions : desmosomes - non classical cadherins

- Arrhythmogenic cardiomyopathy if plakophilin, desmoplakin, desmoglein or desmocolin mutations.

Akdis et al., Cardiovasc Med, 2017, Stevens et al., J. Card. Dev & Disease, 2020

- Pemphigus = blistering skin disease if desmoglein autoantibodies

Schmidt et al., The Lancet, 2019

Gap junctions : connexins

- Atrial fibrillation (heart arrhythmia)

- Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease (PNS)

Hernández-Guerra et al., J. Hepato., 2019

Virus / bacteria infections

Dong et al., Thoracic cancer, 2020

Transient cell-cell adhesion : selectins

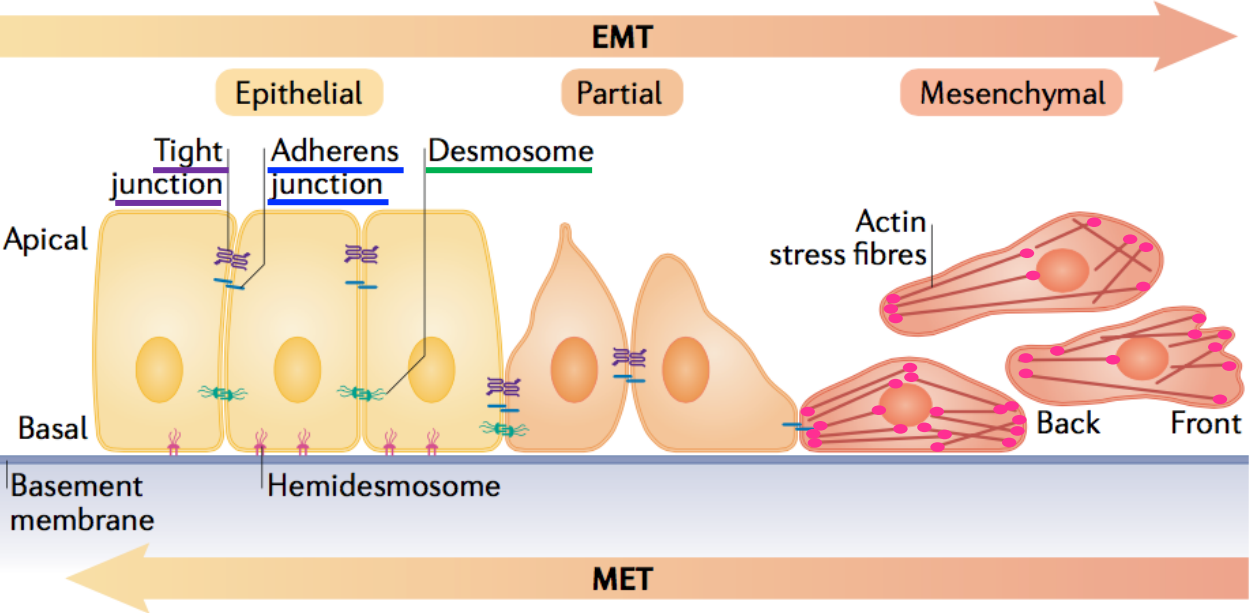
Inflammation disease (innate immune response)

Impellizzeri & Cuzzocrea, Expert Opin. Ther. Targets, 2014

EMT = epithelial–mesenchymal transition

MET = mesenchymal-epithelial transition

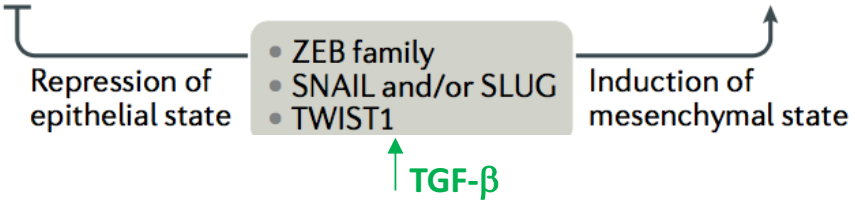
Cell junction remodeling



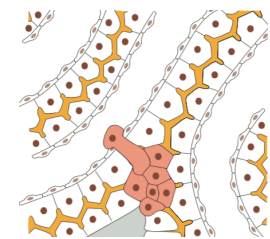
- Claudin / tight junction
- E-cadherins / adherens junction
- Desmocollin, plakophilin / desmosome
- Connexins / gap junction
- Tumor suppressors but also prometastatics (collective migration, gap junctions with endothelium)

- E-cadherin
- Epithelial cell adhesion molecule
- Occludins
- Claudins
- $\alpha6\beta4$ integrins
- Cytokeratins
- Crumbs
- PATJ
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- N-cadherin
- Vimentin
- Fibronectin
- $\beta1$ and $\beta3$ integrins
- MMPs

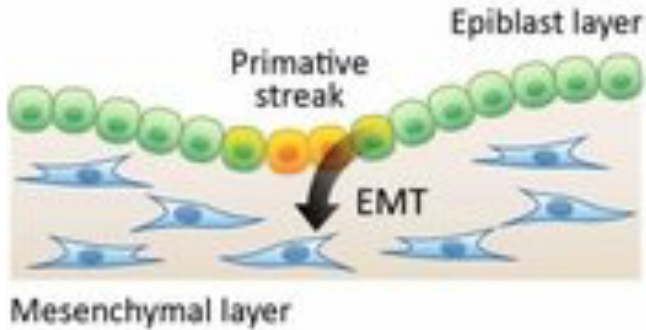


Selectins, VCAM/integrin :
extravasation MET (metastasis)

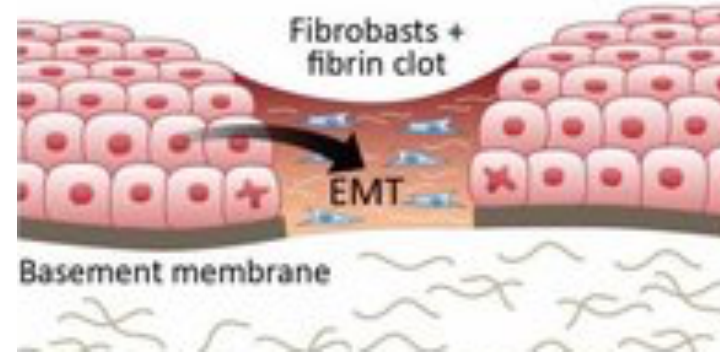


EMT / MET in physiopathology

Embryonic development

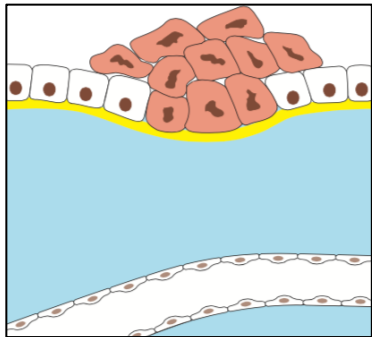


Wound healing



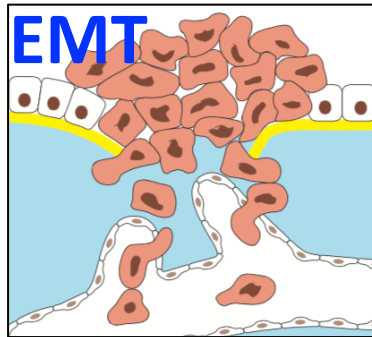
Cancer metastasis

benign or malignant



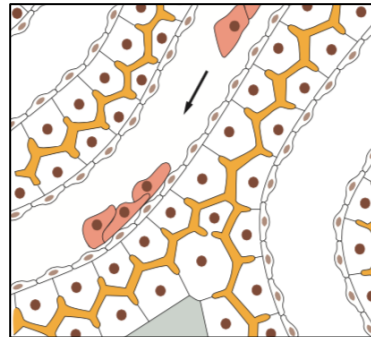
primary tumor

invasive



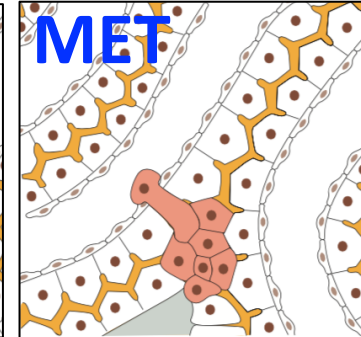
Intravasation

circulating



CTCs

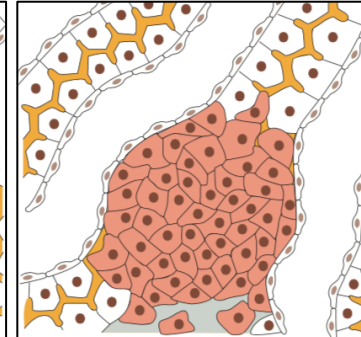
micrometastasis



extravasation

DTCs

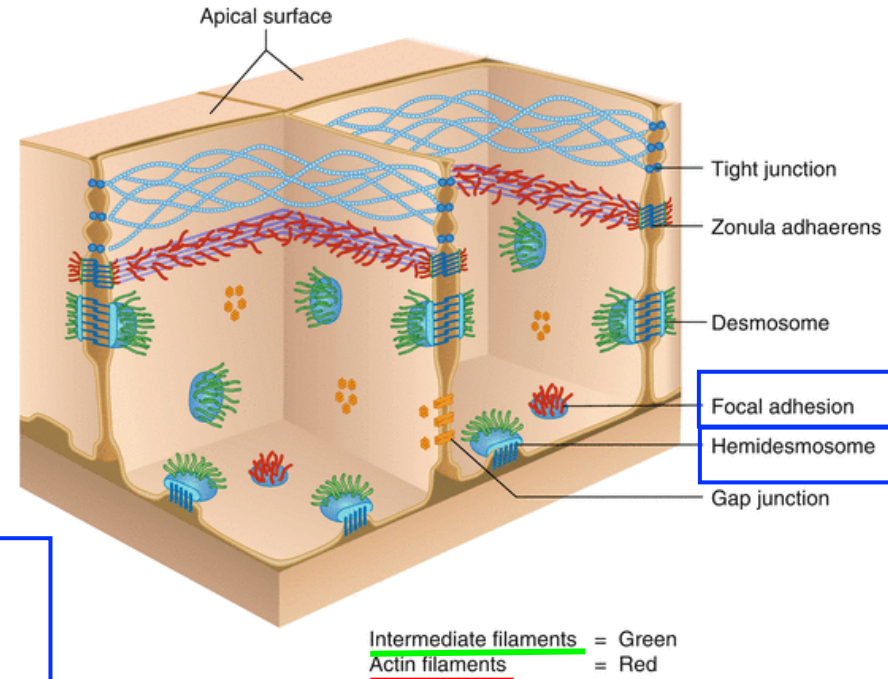
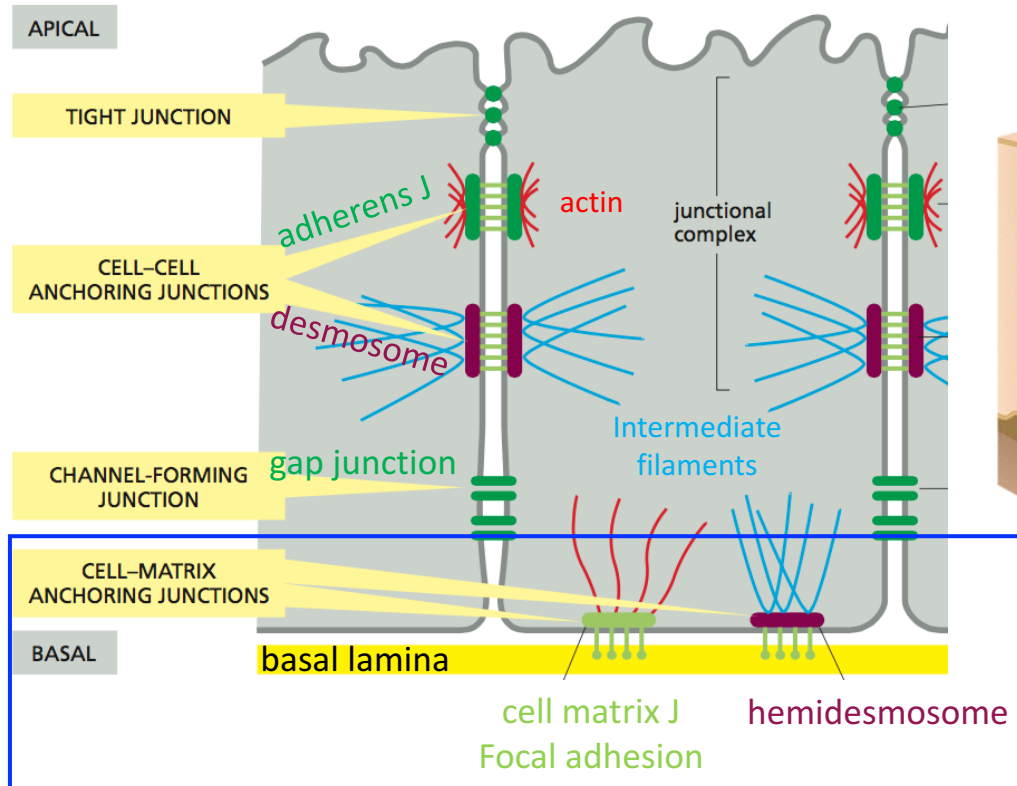
metastasis



secondary tumor

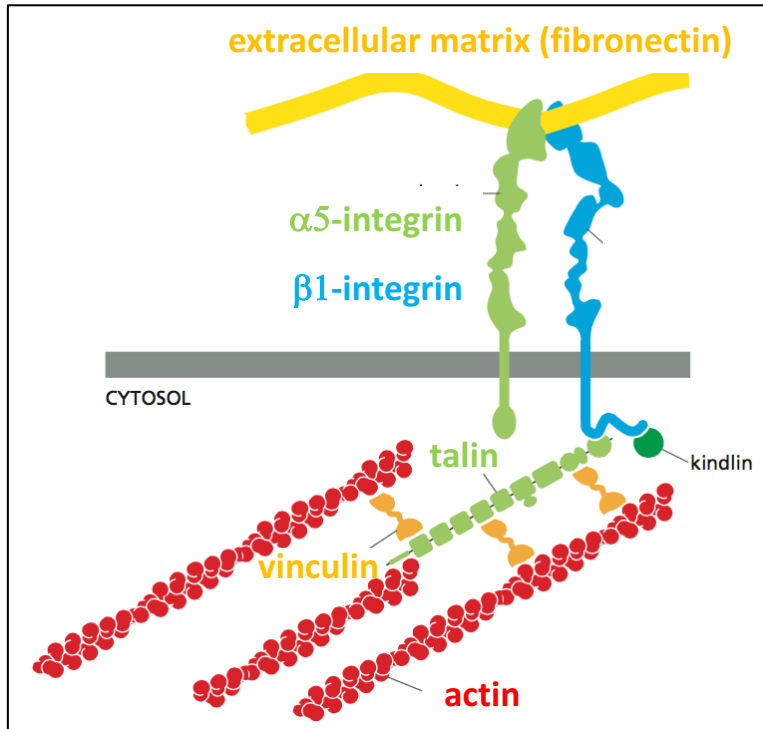
6 types of junctions in epithelial cells :

2 are cell-matrix junctions

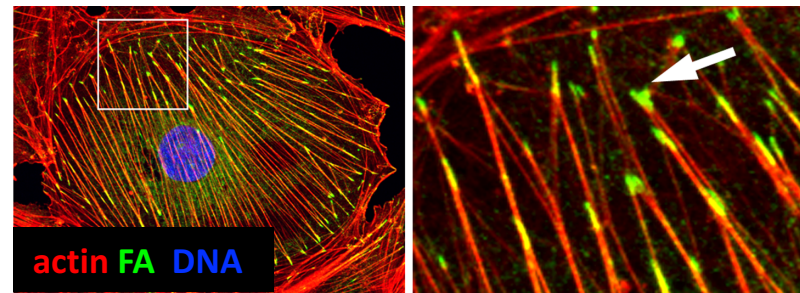
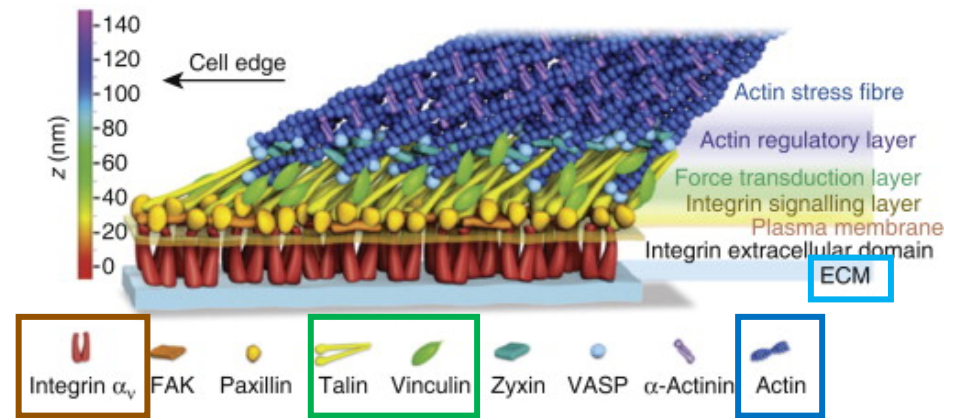


1. Cell-matrix anchoring junctions : integrins in focal adhesions (FAs)

Integrins : matrix receptors



focal adhesion



FAs important for cell migration

Figure 19-55, *Molecular Biology of the Cell 6th*
 Schwartz, *Curr Biol*, 2011 ; Jeruschke et al., *PLOS ONE*, 2015

2. Cell-matrix anchoring junctions : integrins in hemidesmosomes

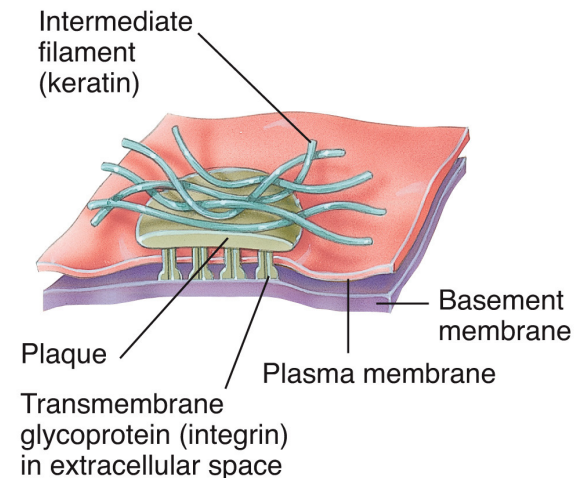
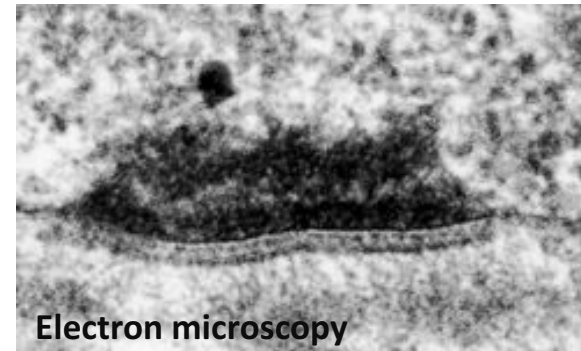
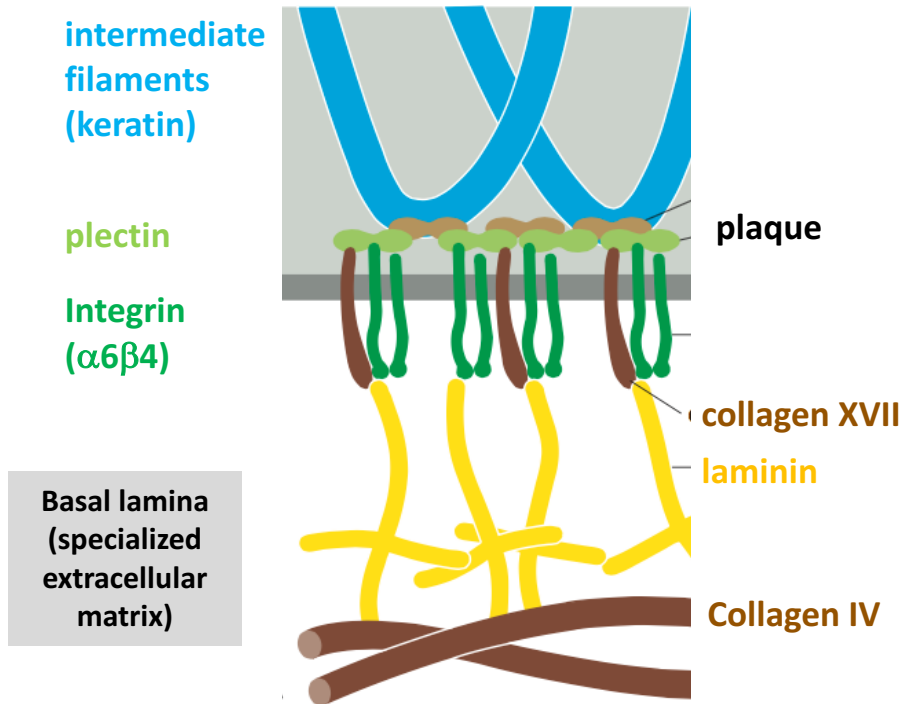
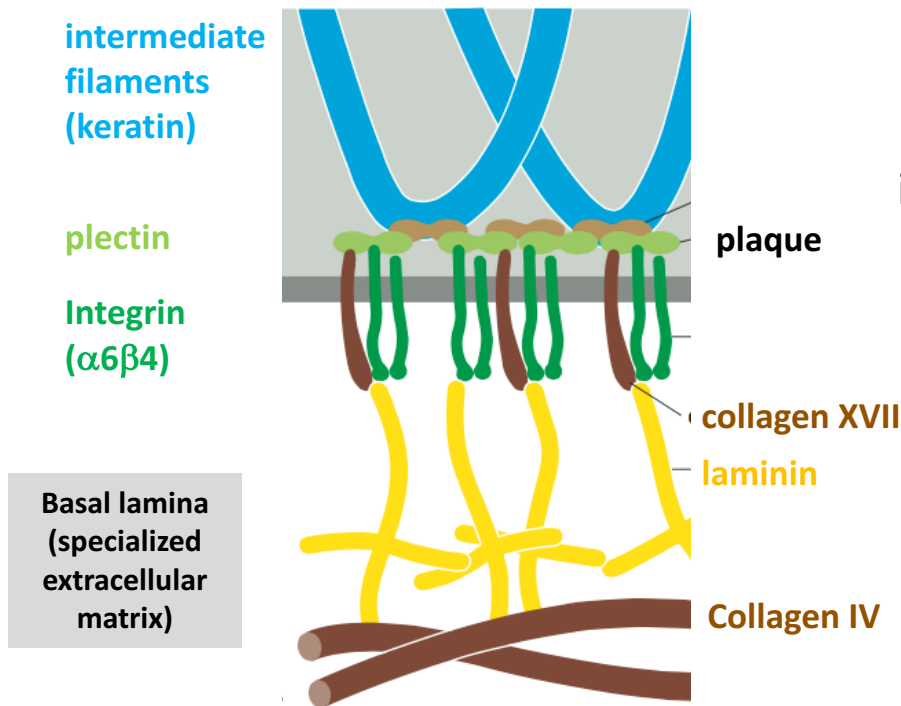


Figure 19-56, *Molecular Biology of the Cell 6th*
H. [Jastrow](#) ; Quizlet

Cell-matrix junctions and diseases



Skin blistering disorders :
junctional epidermolysis bullosa
mutations in
integrin $\alpha6\beta4$, collagen XVII, laminin or plectin

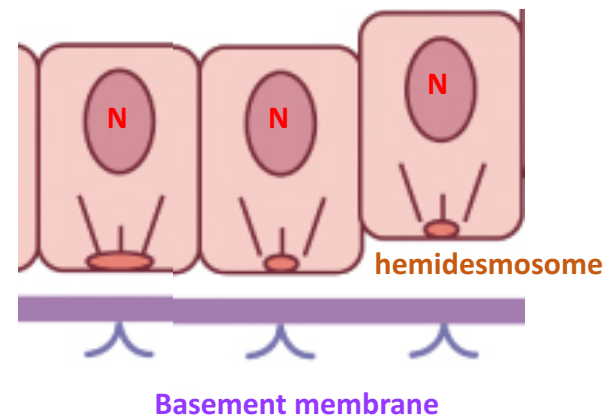
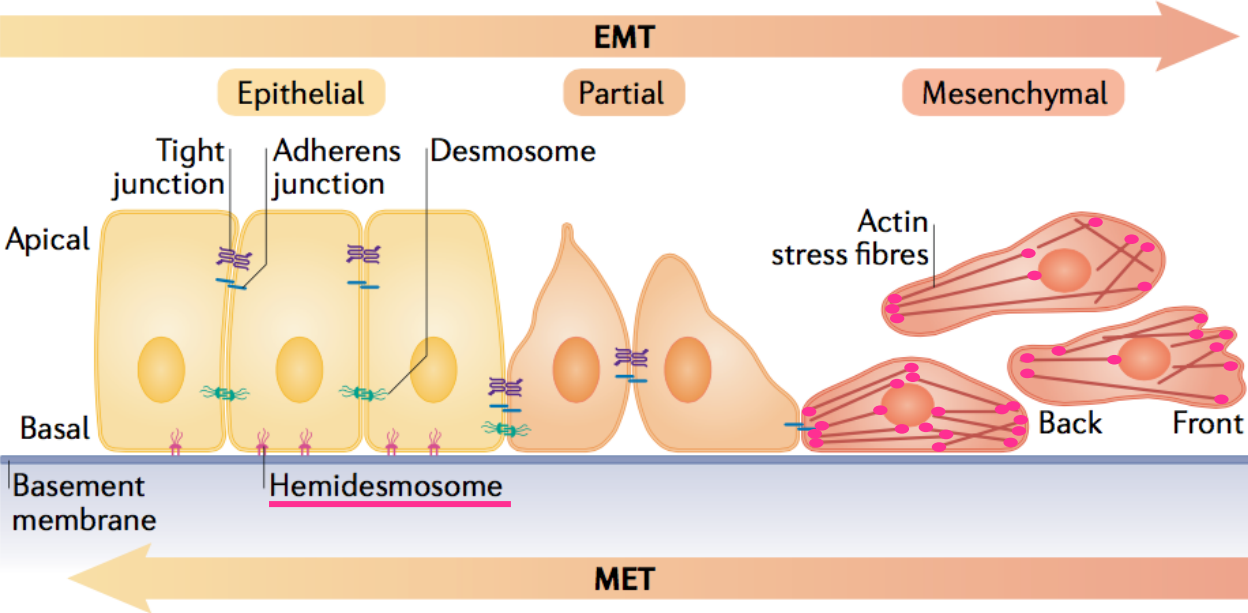


Figure 19-56, *Molecular Biology of the Cell 6th*
Plastic surgery key

EMT = epithelial–mesenchymal transition

MET = mesenchymal-epithelial transition

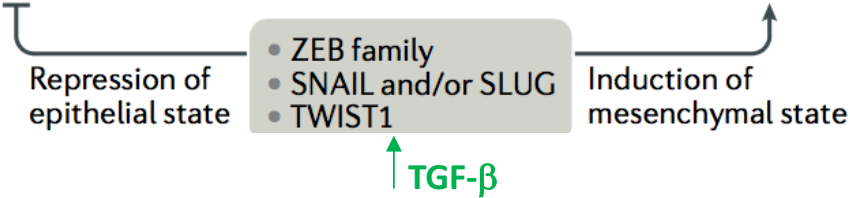


Cell junction remodeling

Hemi-desmosome
Tumor suppressor ...
Focal adhesion
Pro-tumoral ...

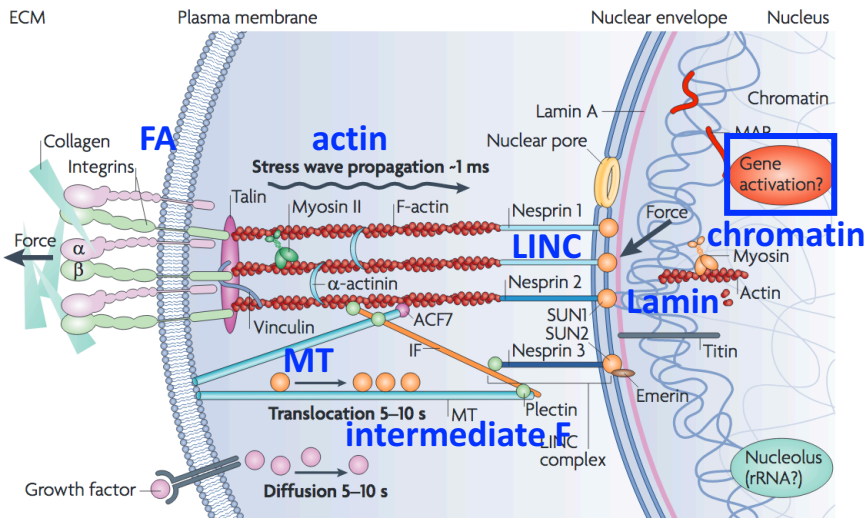
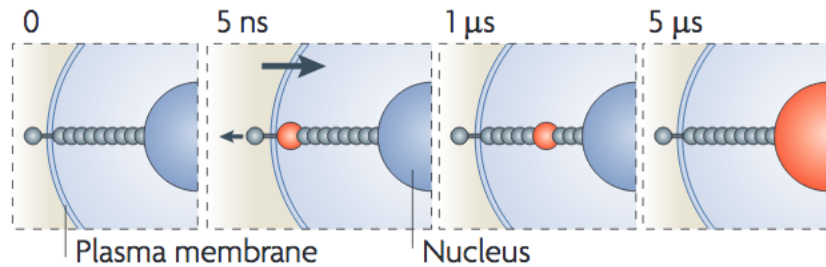
- E-cadherin
 - Epithelial cell adhesion molecule
 - Occludins
 - Claudins
 - $\alpha 6 \beta 4$ integrins
 - Cytokeratins
- Hemidesmosome**
- Crumbs
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 - LGL

- Focal adhesion**
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 - Vimentin
 - Fibronectin
 - $\beta 1$ and $\beta 3$ integrins
 - MMPs



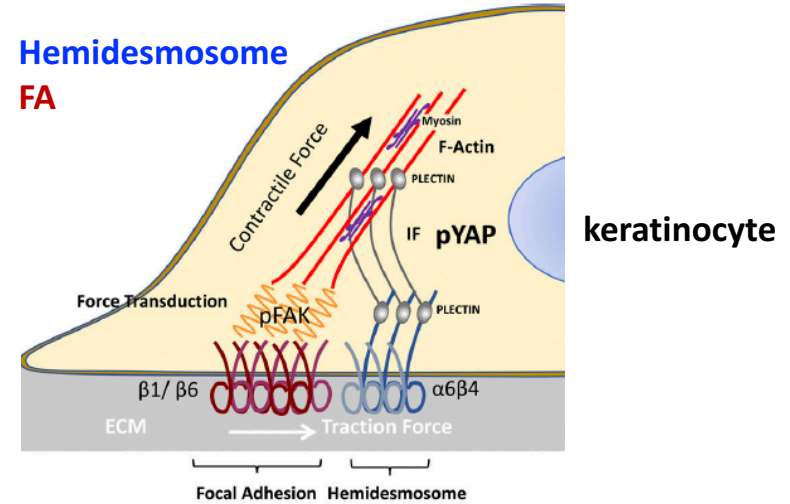
FA and hemidesmosome : mechanotransduction

FA : mechanical force propagation to the nucleus

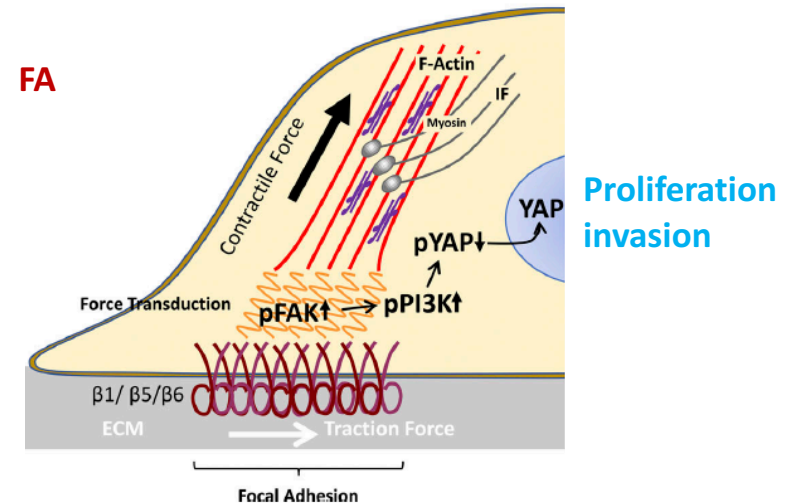


Hemidesmosome

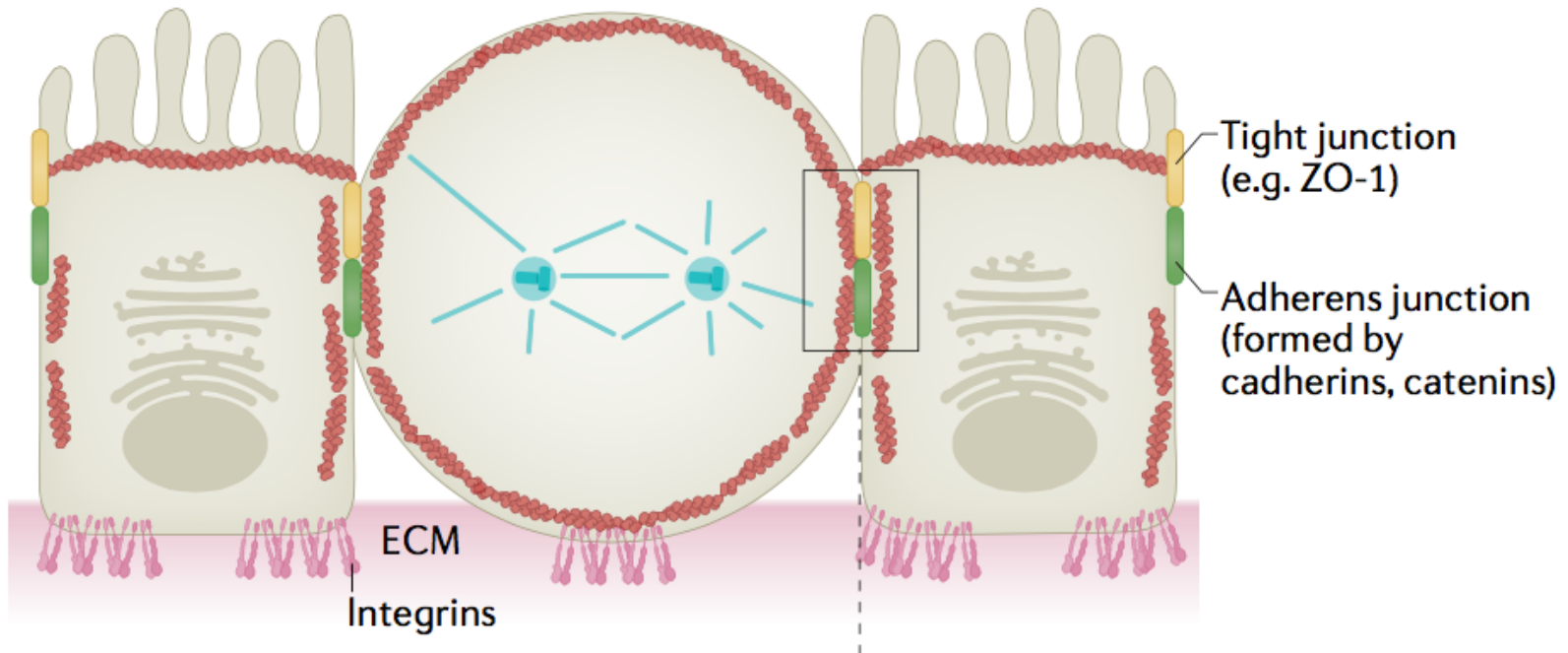
FA



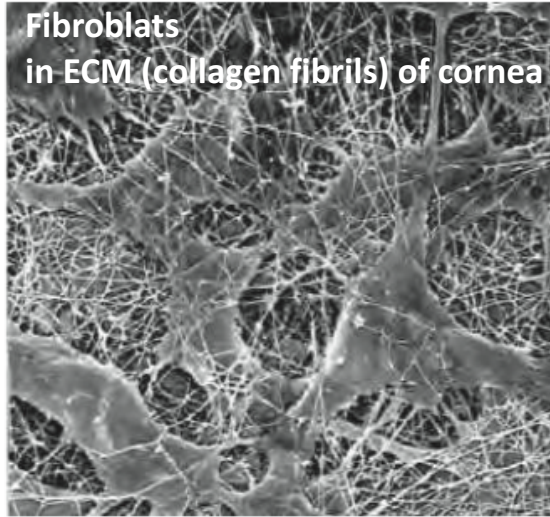
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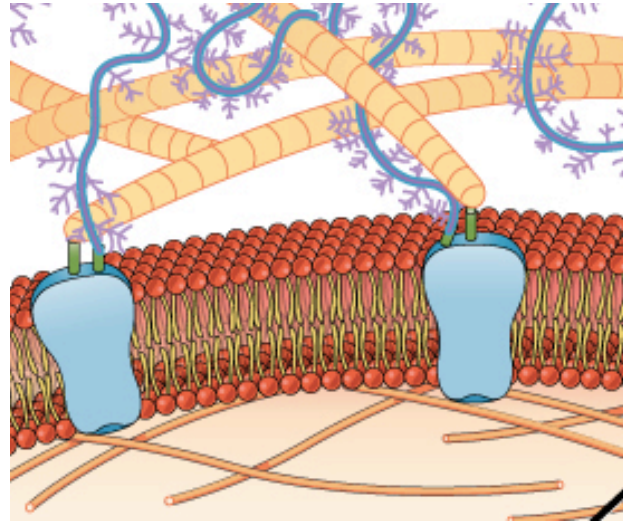
Junctions and mitosis



The extracellular matrix (ECM)



10 μm



Proteoglycan
collagen fibrils

almost 300 ECM proteins

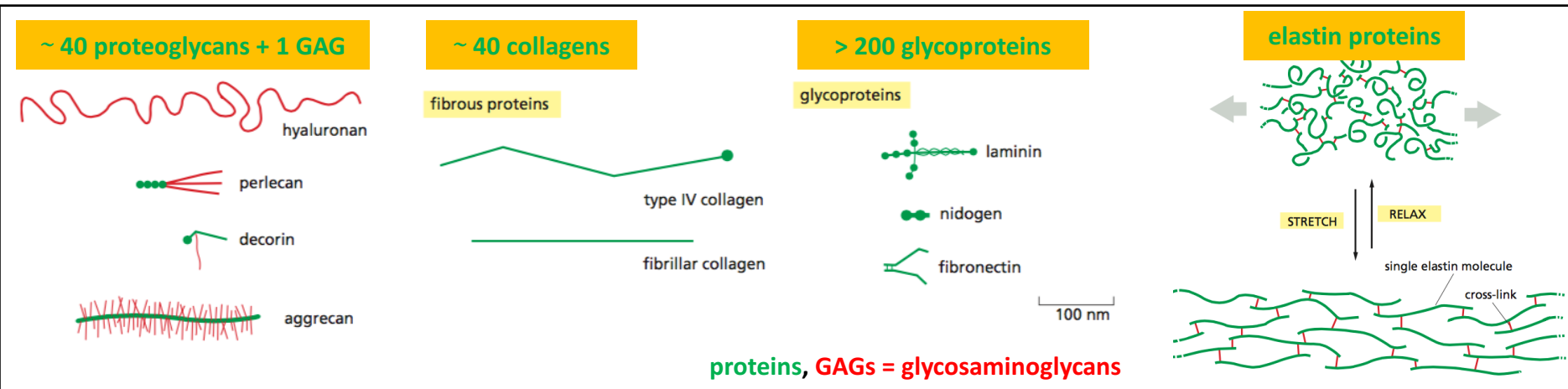
fibronectin

bone/teeth : calcified
cornea : transparent
tendon : rope-like

integrin

secreted from sparse
fibroblast cells or related
(osteoblasts)

cytoskeleton

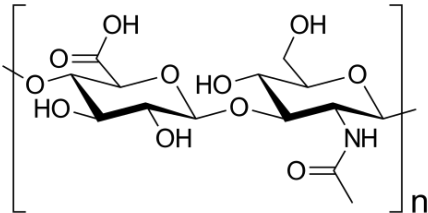


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Figure 19-30 & 32, Molecular Biology of the Cell 6th

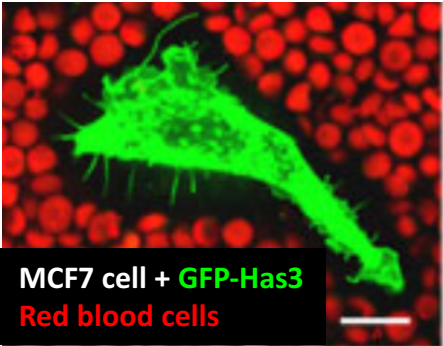
1. Glycosaminoglycans (GAGs), proteoglycans

GAG = disaccharide repeats
 negatively charged, stiff and bulky :
 attract Na⁺ and H₂O creating a
 turgor against compressive forces



Ex : hyaluronan
 (-4GlcUAβ1-3GlcNAcβ1-)_n

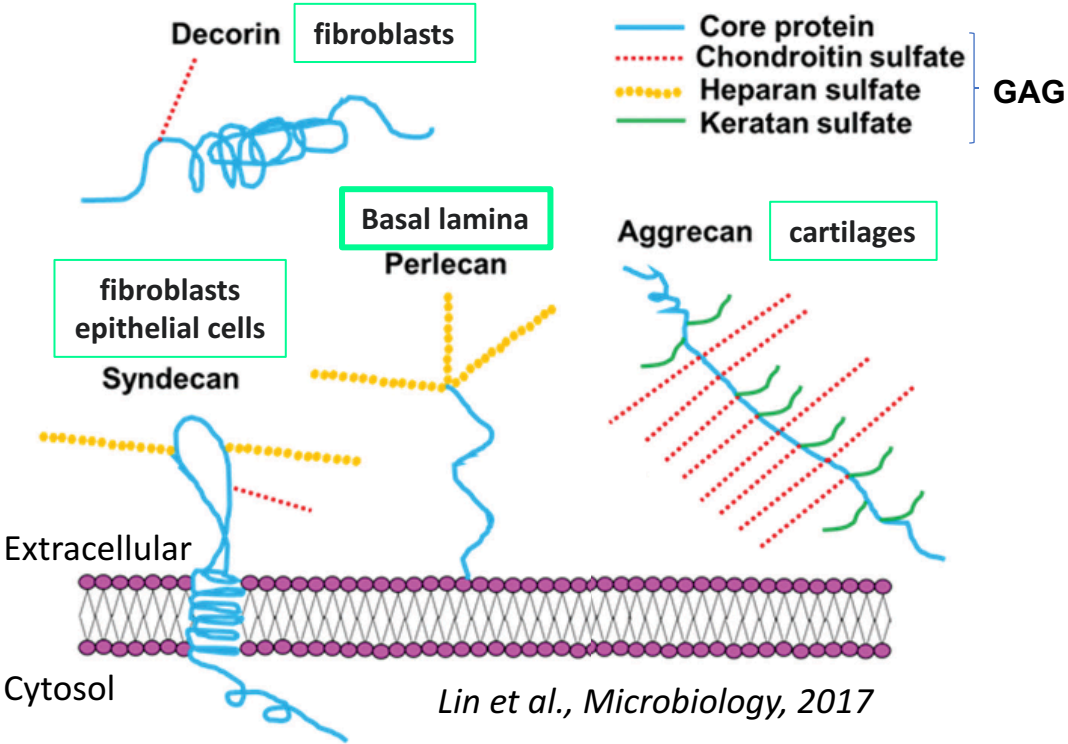
Migration, wound healing



MCF7 cell + GFP-Has3
 Red blood cells

Kultti et al., JBC, 2006

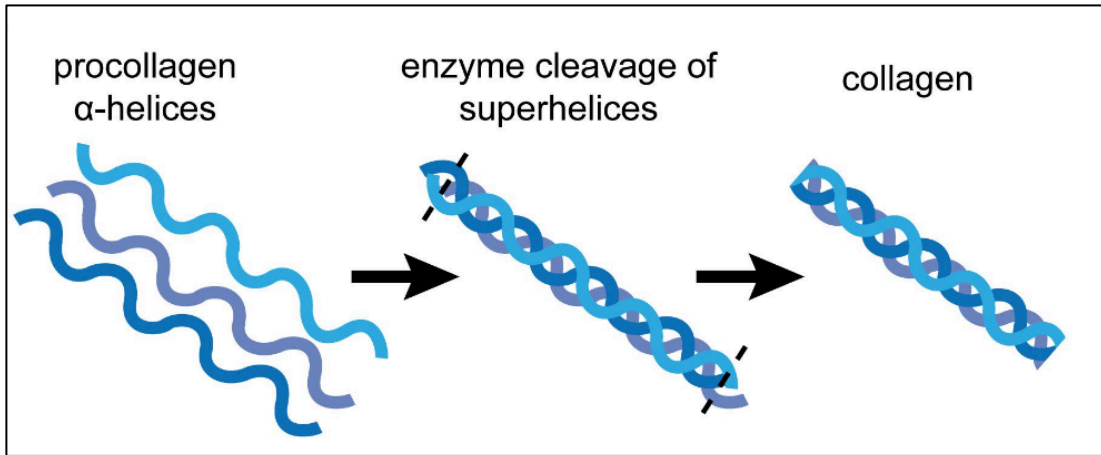
proteoglycan



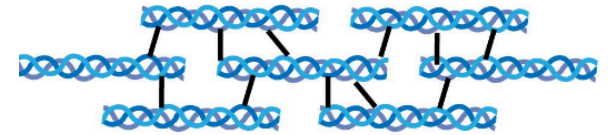
Lin et al., Microbiology, 2017

- Resist compressive forces
- Diffusion of nutrients, metabolites, hormones (blood / tissues)

2. Collagens



fibrillar collagen (i.e. type I, III, V)

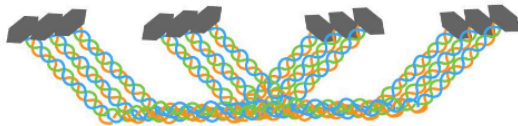


- hydrophobic, non elastic
- type I : skin, bone ...
- resist tensile forces
- organized by cell tension

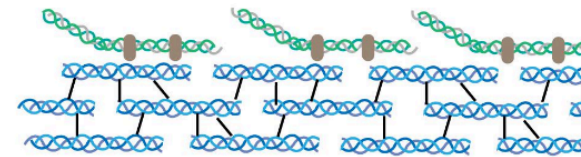
beaded (i.e. type VI)



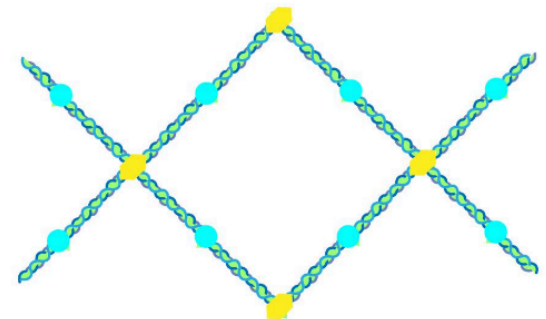
anchoring (i.e. VII)



FACIT (i.e. type XII, XIV)



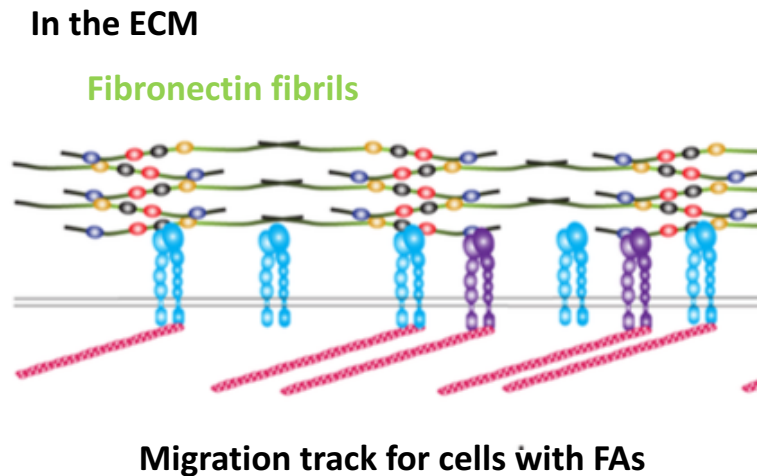
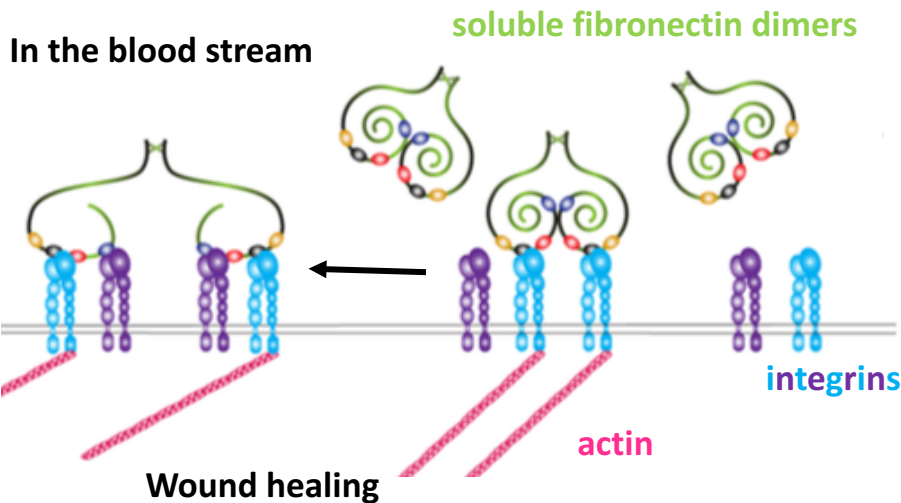
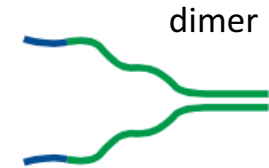
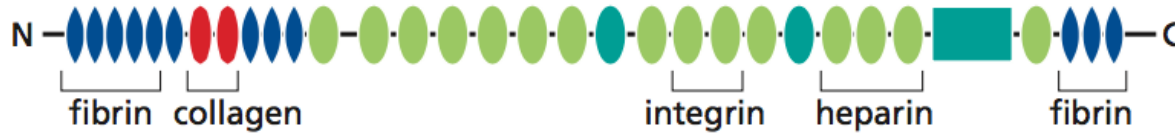
netforming collagen (i.e. type IV)



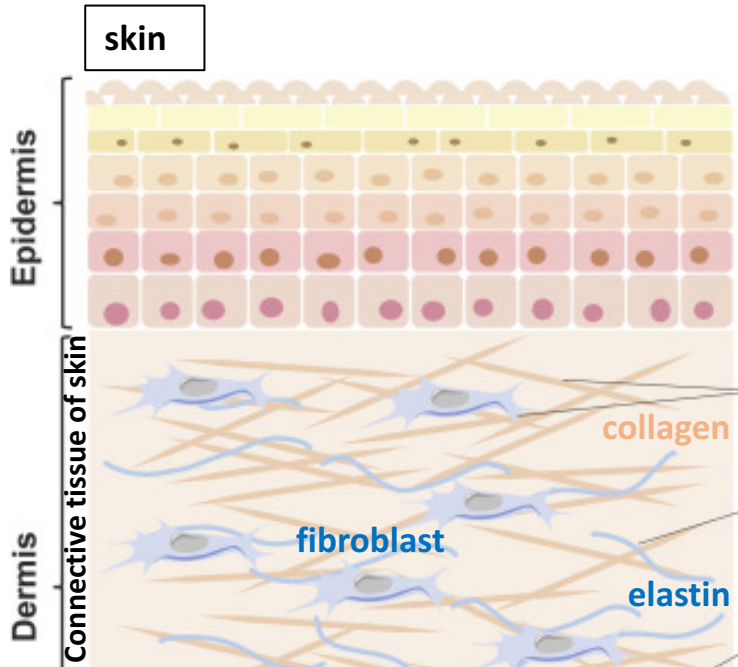
Basal lamina
(specialized extracellular matrix)

3. Glycoproteins : fibronectin

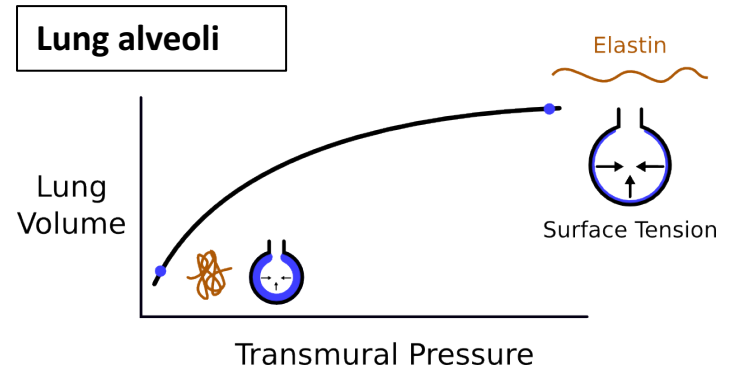
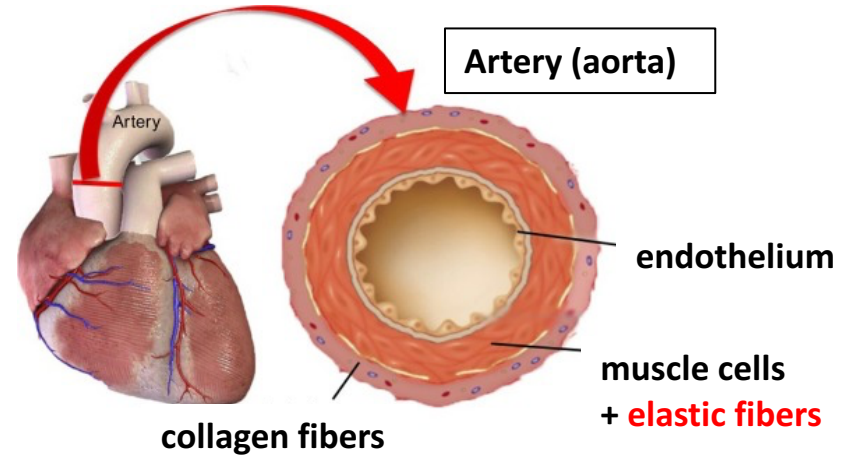
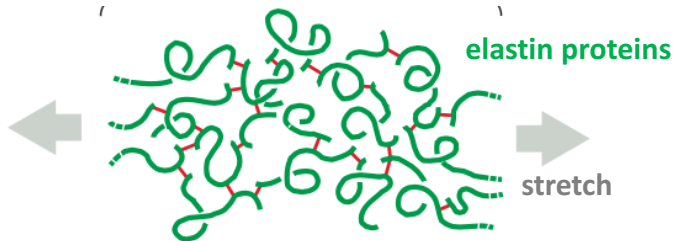
fibronectin



4. Elastin



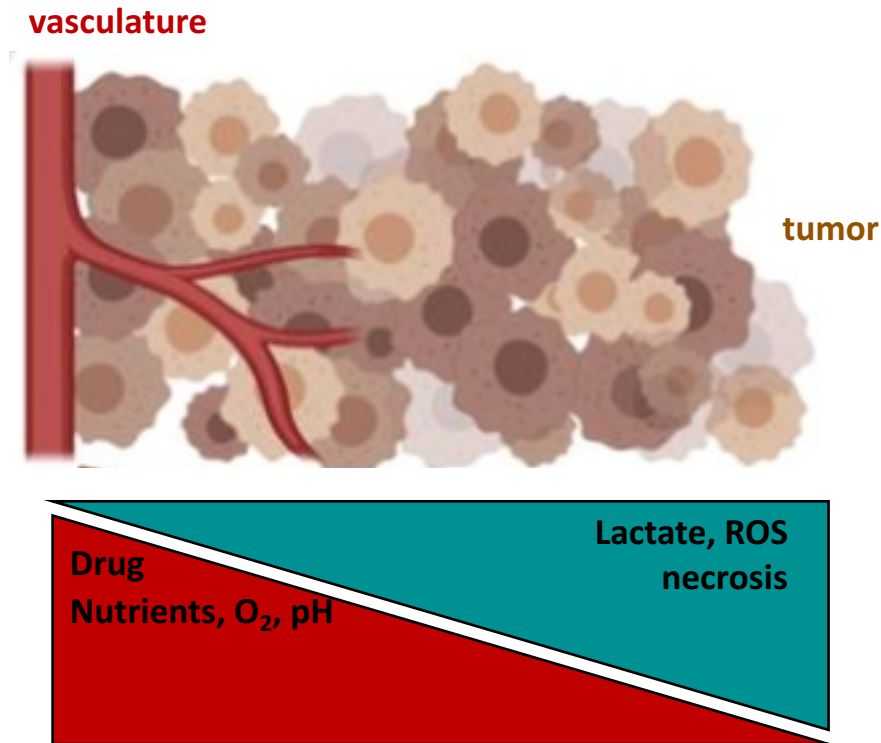
- hydrophobic, elastic (stretch and relax)
- resilience of the matrix after stretch



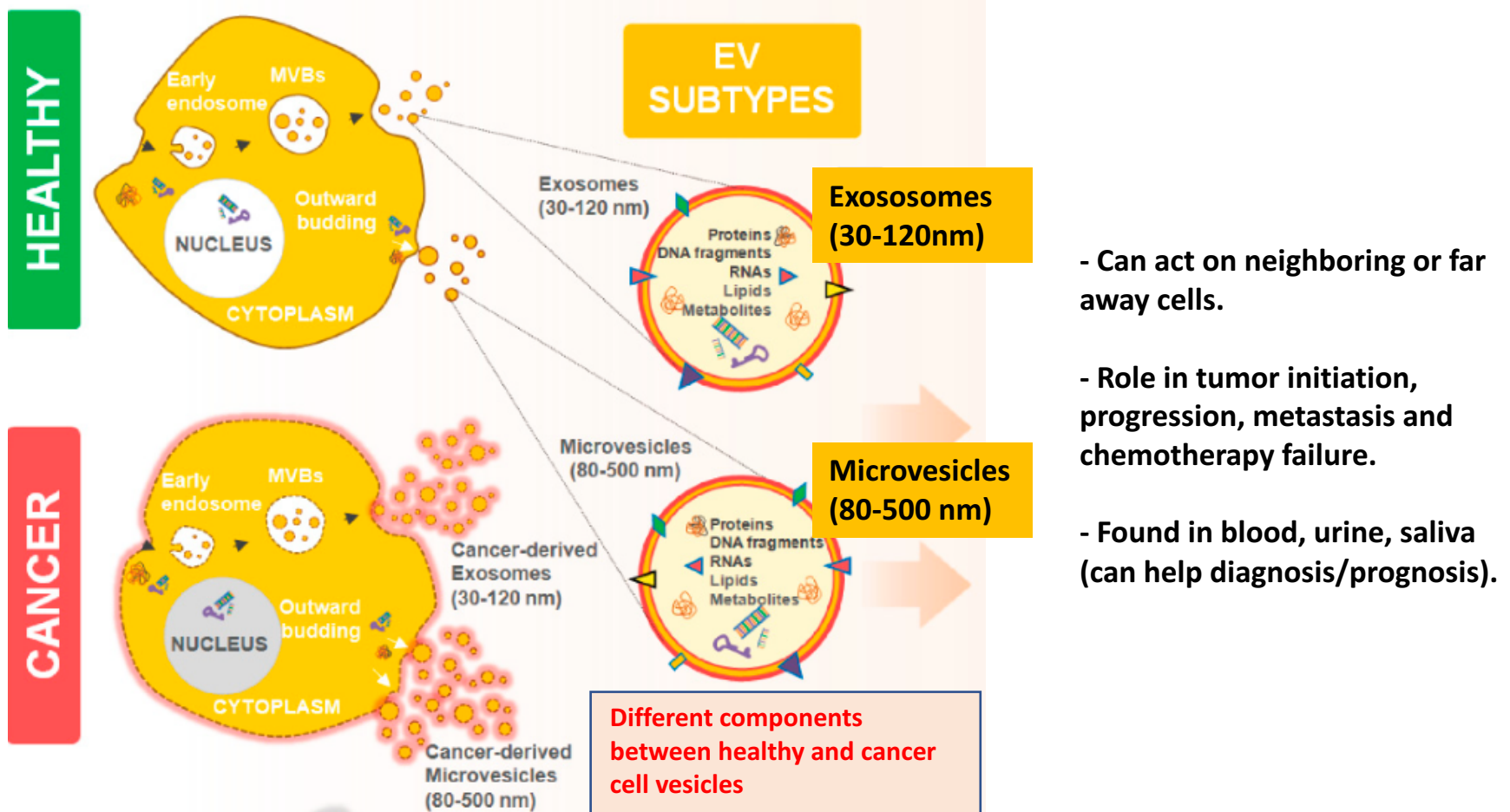
Freitas-Rodriguez et al., BBA, 2017
 Figure 32, Molecular Biology of the Cell 6th
 Taki et al., [Comput. & Visualiz. for Intravascular Imaging & Comp.-Assisted Stenting](#), 2017

Pathway medicine

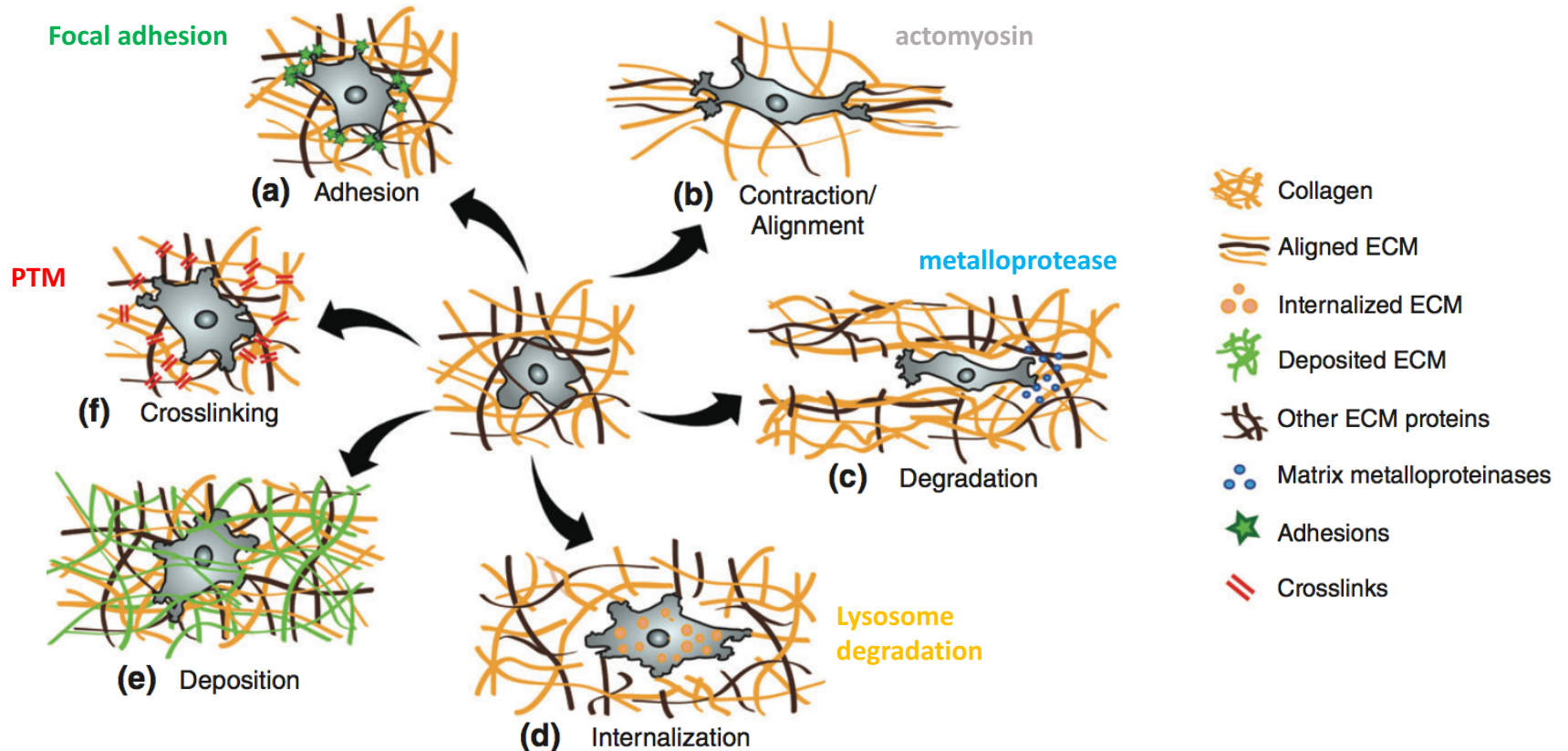
ECM contains nutrients, GFs, cytokines, hormones



ECM contains nutrients, GFs, cytokines, hormones but also extracellular vesicles (Evs)

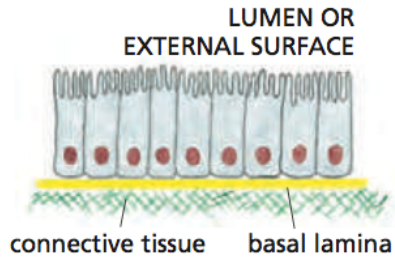


Extracellular matrix remodeling by cells : stiffness

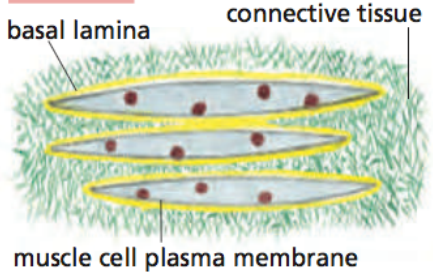


A thin specialized matrix sheet : the basal lamina (or basement membrane)

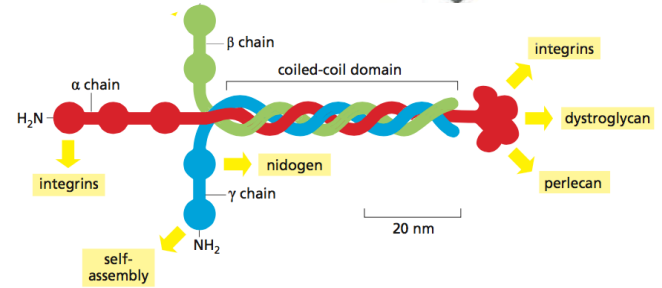
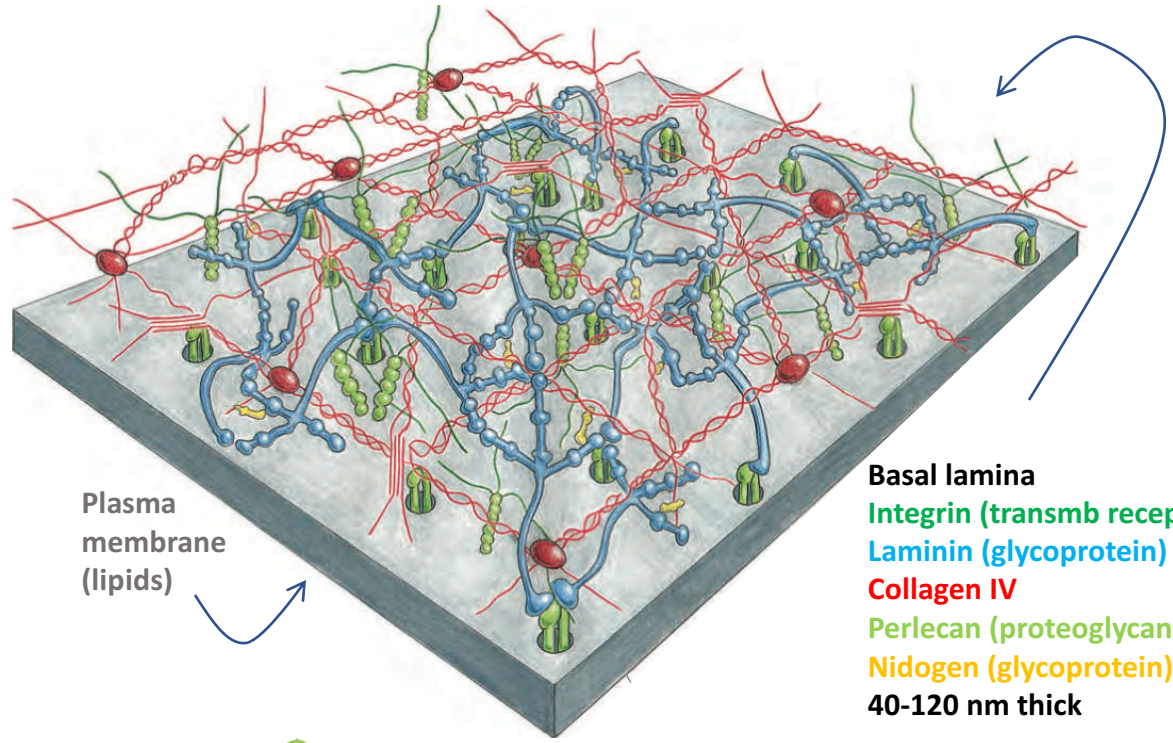
EPITHELIUM



MUSCLE



- Mechanic connection
- Filter, cell barrier
- Polarity, survival, proliferation, differentiation, migration
- Tissue regeneration

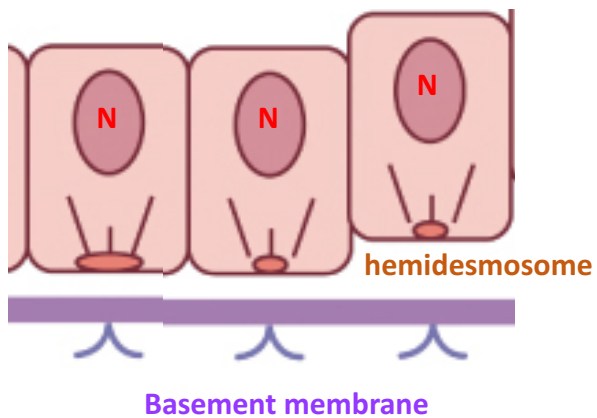


Laminin α , β , γ

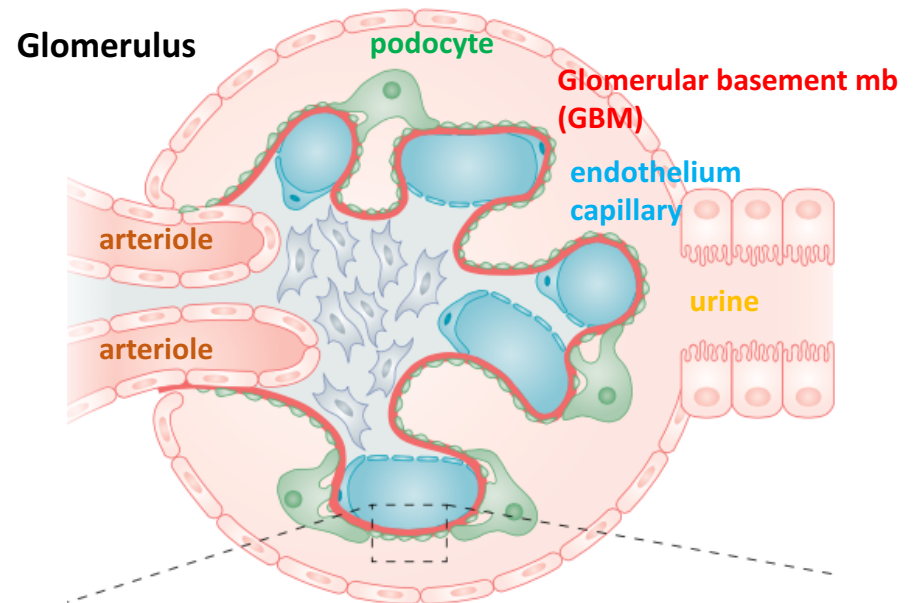
Figure 19-50, 52, 53, Molecular Biology of the Cell 6th

Basal lamina and diseases

Junctional epidermolysis bullosa
(Laminin)



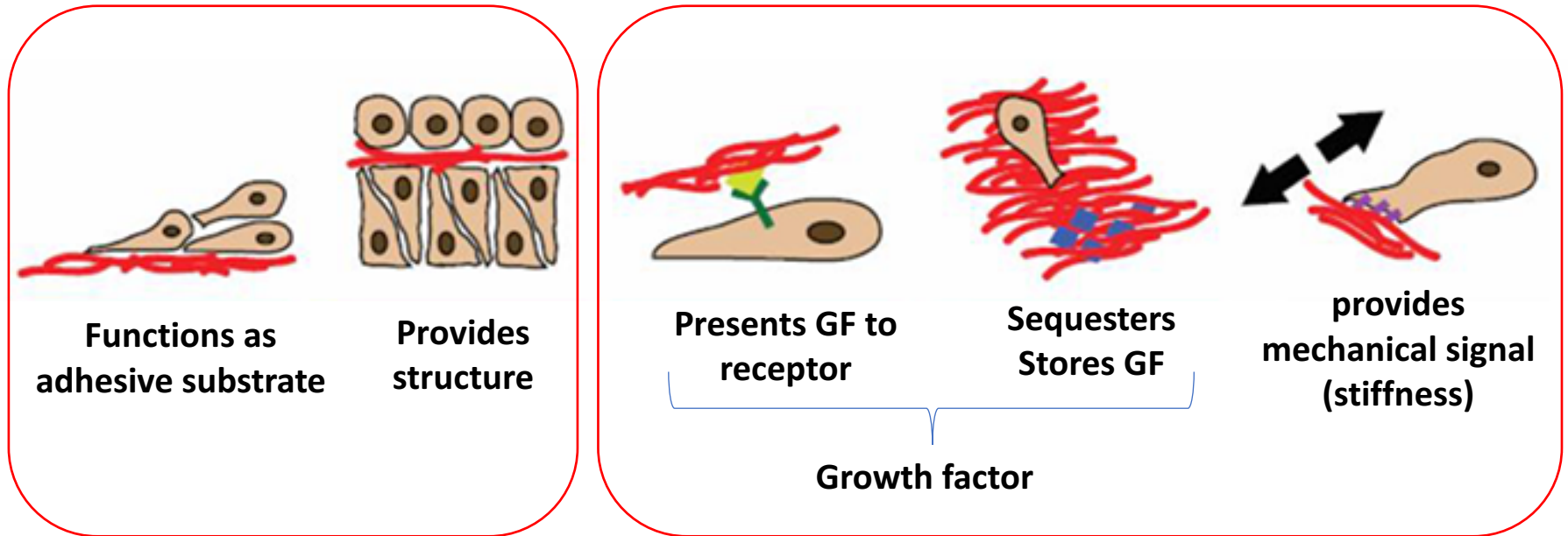
Kidney disorders
(Collagen IV, laminin :
basal lamina thickening or disruption)



Plastic surgery key

*Figure 19-56, Molecular Biology of the Cell 6th
Naylor et al, Nephrology, 2020*

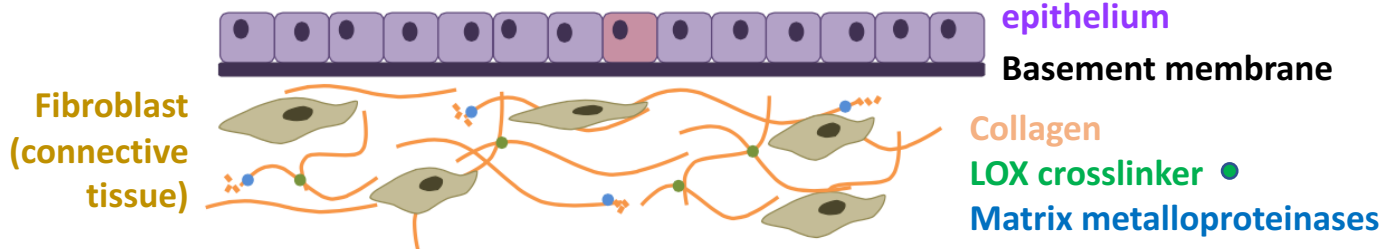
Functions of the extracellular matrix (ECM)



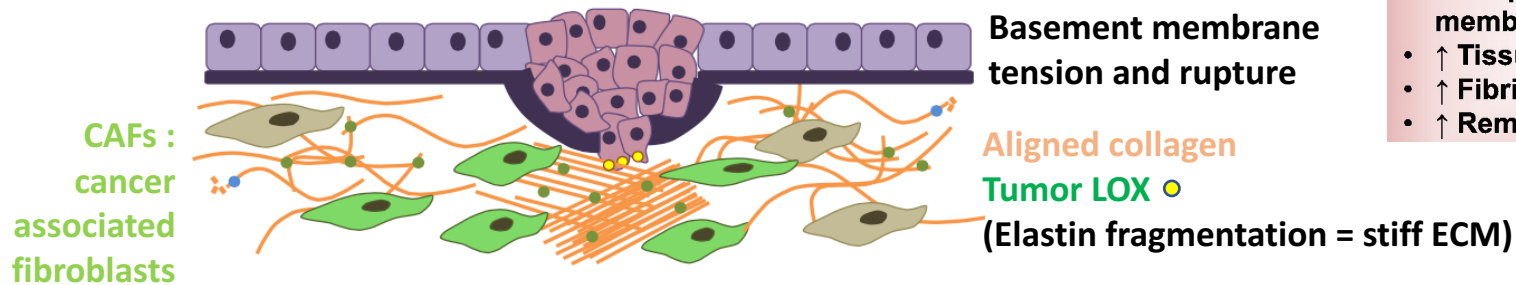
Misregulation in cancer

Invasive tumor : ECM remodeling for migration

1. Regulation of Healthy Tissue Homeostasis



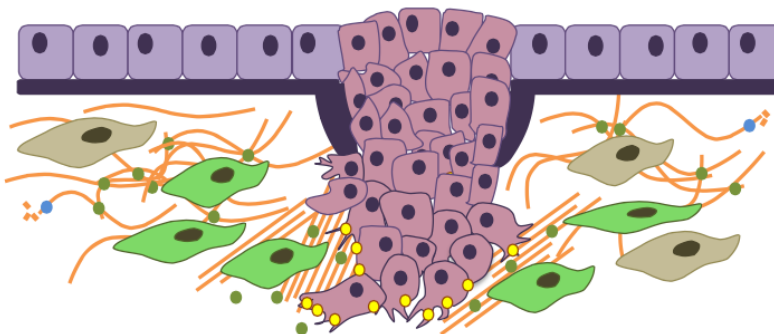
2. ECM Remodeling During Tumor Progression



ECM alteration

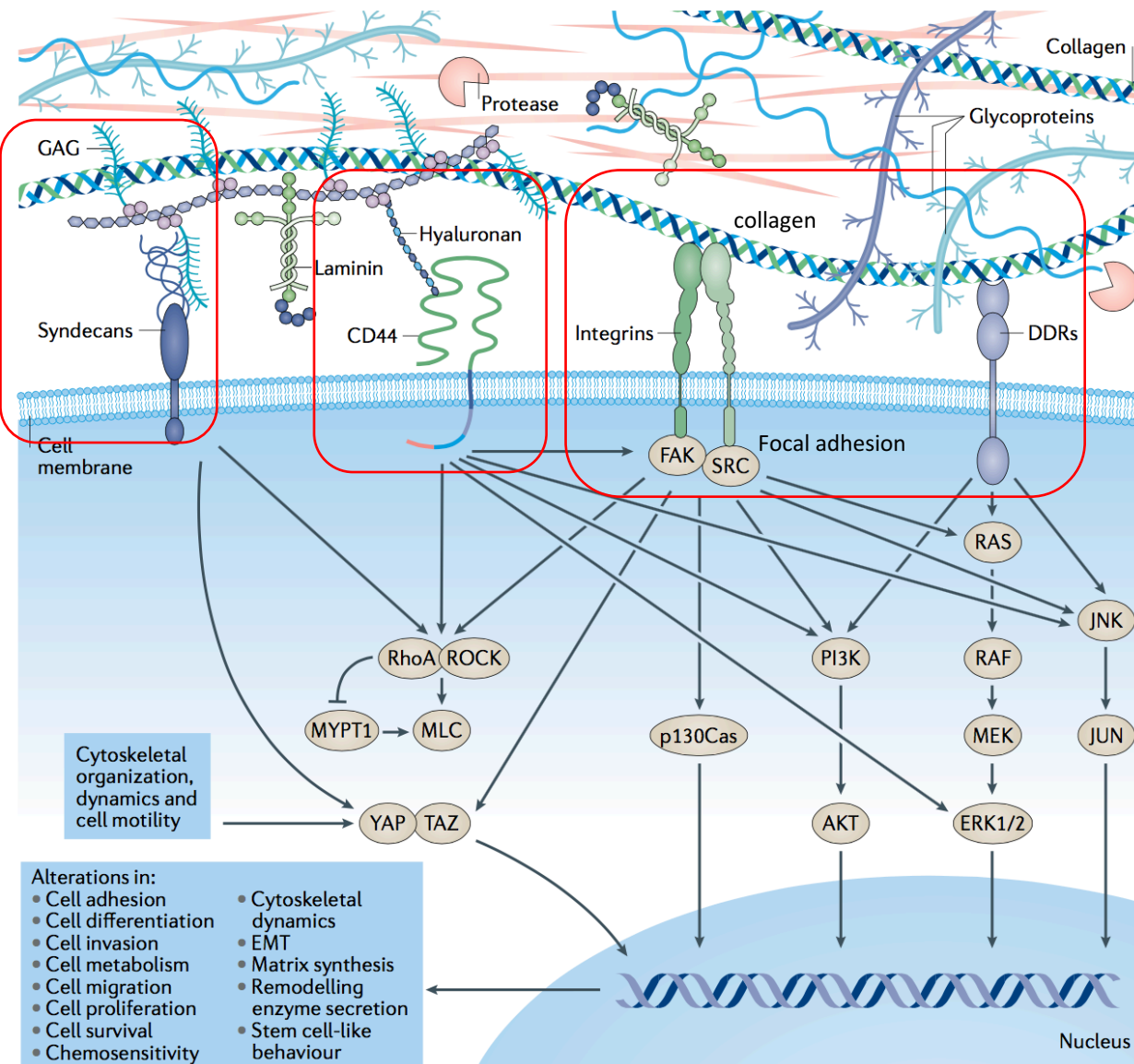
- Disruption of basement membrane
- ↑ Tissue stiffness
- ↑ Fibrillar collagens
- ↑ Remodeling enzymes

3. Collagen Alignment Guides Cell Motility



Desmoplasia
growth of fibrous connective tissue around the tumor

ECM : cell signaling in cancer



Receptor / signaling / transcription
Cell proliferation : Pi3K, Ras, MAPK
Cell survival
Cell adhesion /migration : FA, actin
Cell invasion
Cell differentiation

Matricryptin proteins

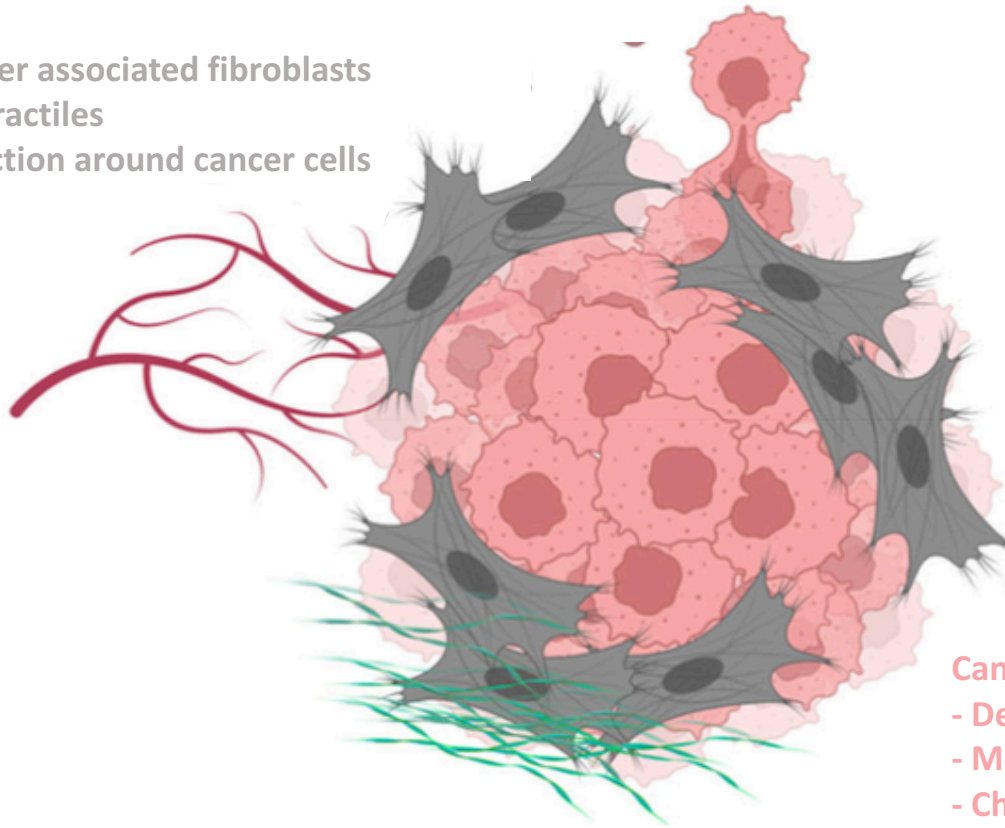
- Generated by ECM proteolysis
 - chemokines, cytokines-like

. Anti-tumoral :
 collagen XVIII : endostatin

. Pro-tumoral :
 Laminin 111 fragments

A capsule of cancer-associated fibroblasts (CAFs) that enwraps primary cancer cells

CAFs : cancer associated fibroblasts
Highly contractiles
Rigid protection around cancer cells



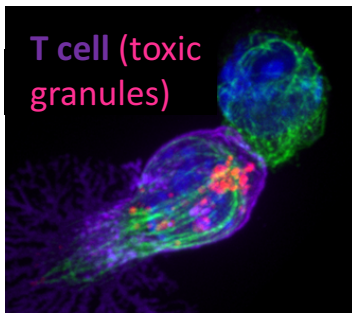
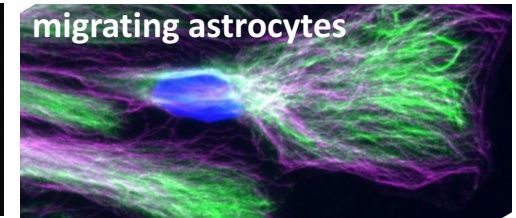
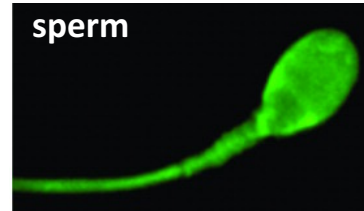
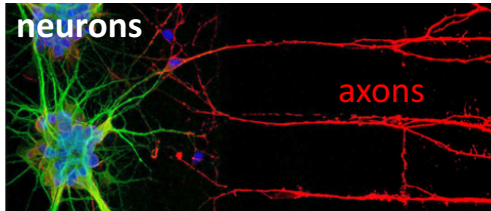
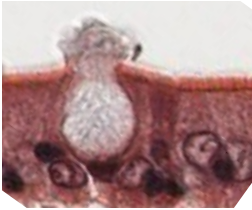
Cancer cells

- Decreased internal cell tension
- Modified YAP-mediated transcription
- Chemotherapy resistance

Proliferation, stemness, immunosuppression, angiogenesis, metastasis

Cell polarity

Intestinal epithelium

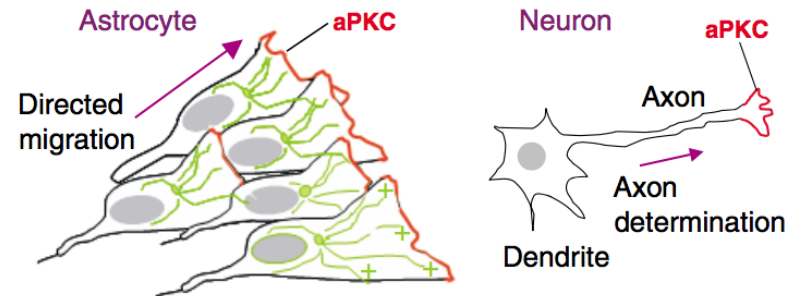
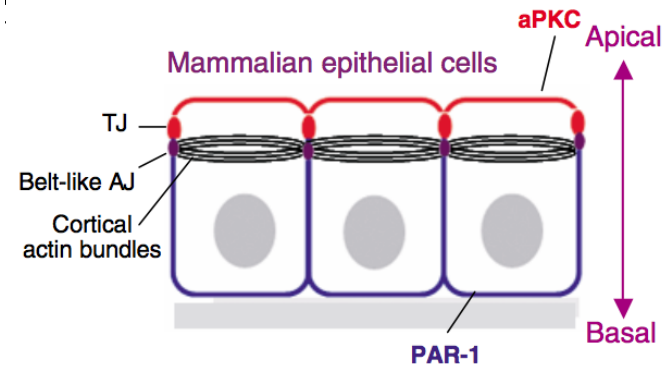
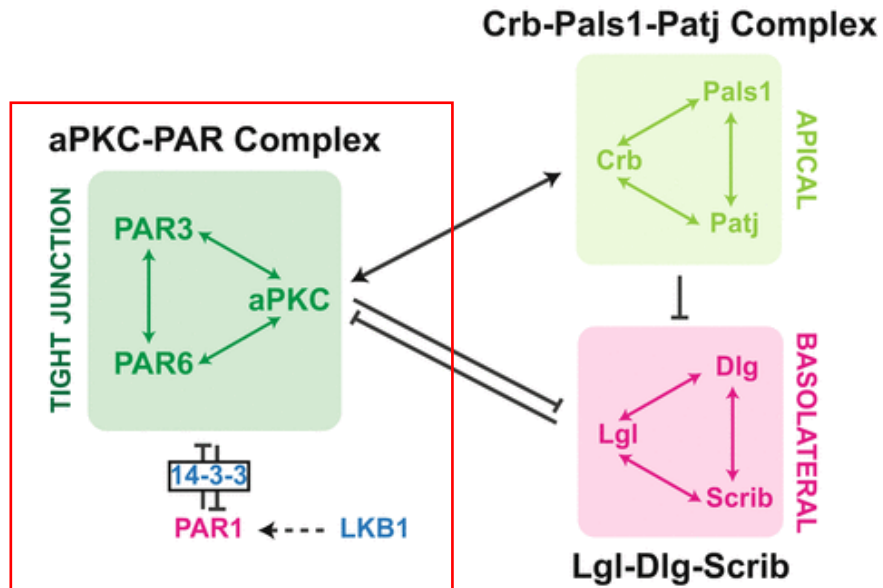


- asymmetric cellular shape
- asymmetric distribution of molecules / organelles
- asymmetric functions

Need :

- to break symmetry and then to maintain asymmetry
- establish subcellular domains
- cytoskeleton

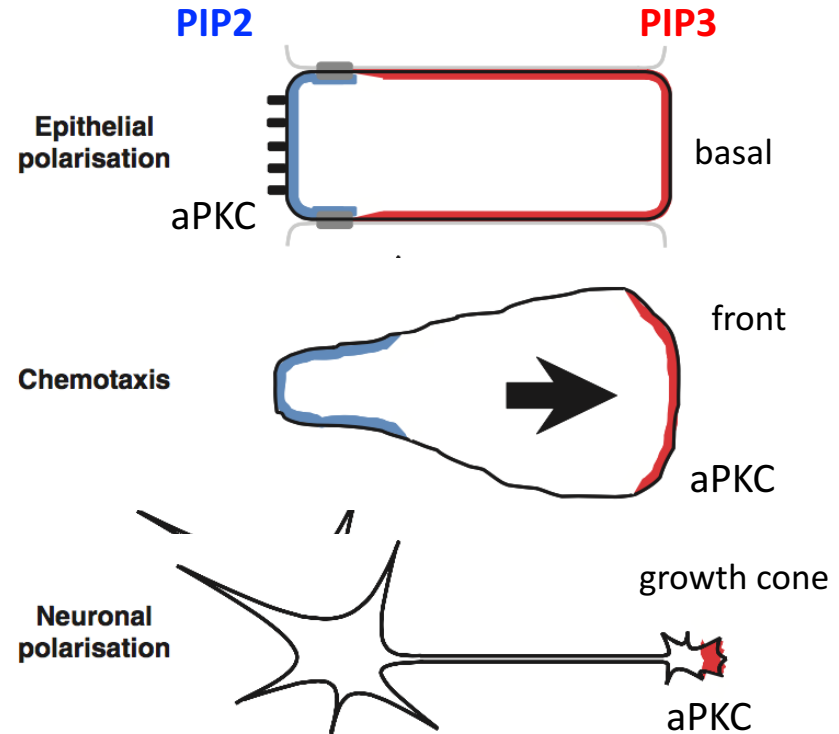
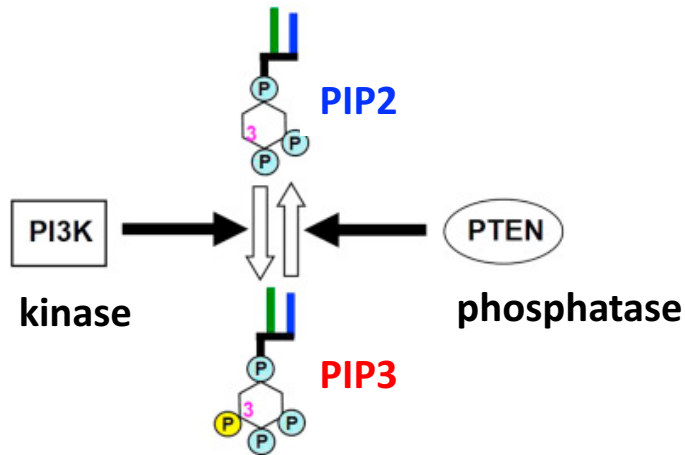
Three polarity complexes : initiation and maintenance



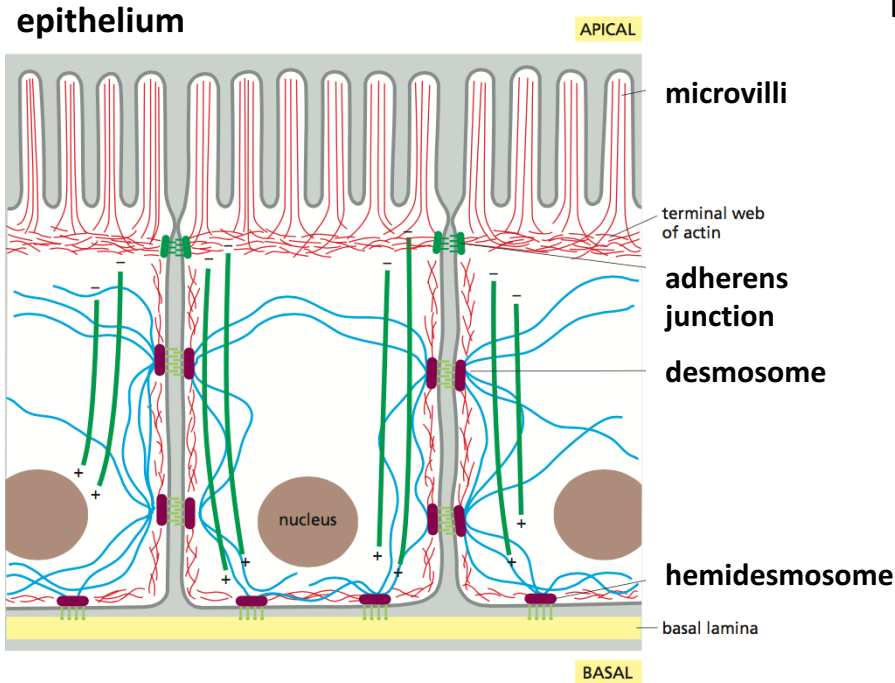
Ohno et al., Cell Polarity, 2015
 Suzuki & Ohno, J Cell Sci, 2006

Two phospholipids : initiation and maintenance

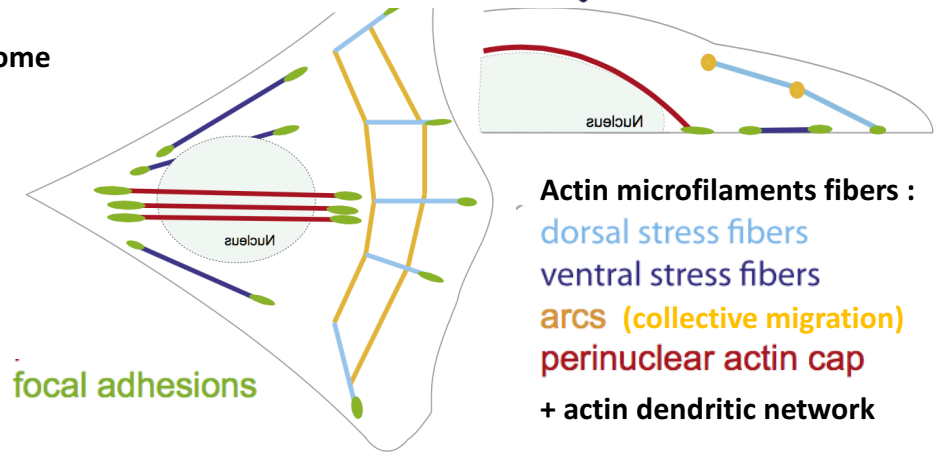
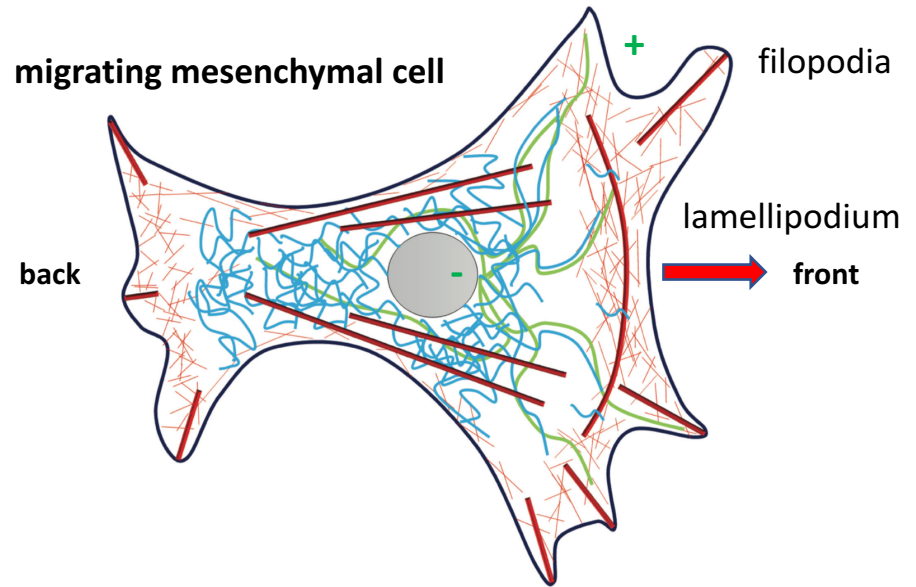
Phosphatidylinositol lipids



Cytoskeleton and polarity



Actin microfilament / septin
Microtubules Intermediate filaments



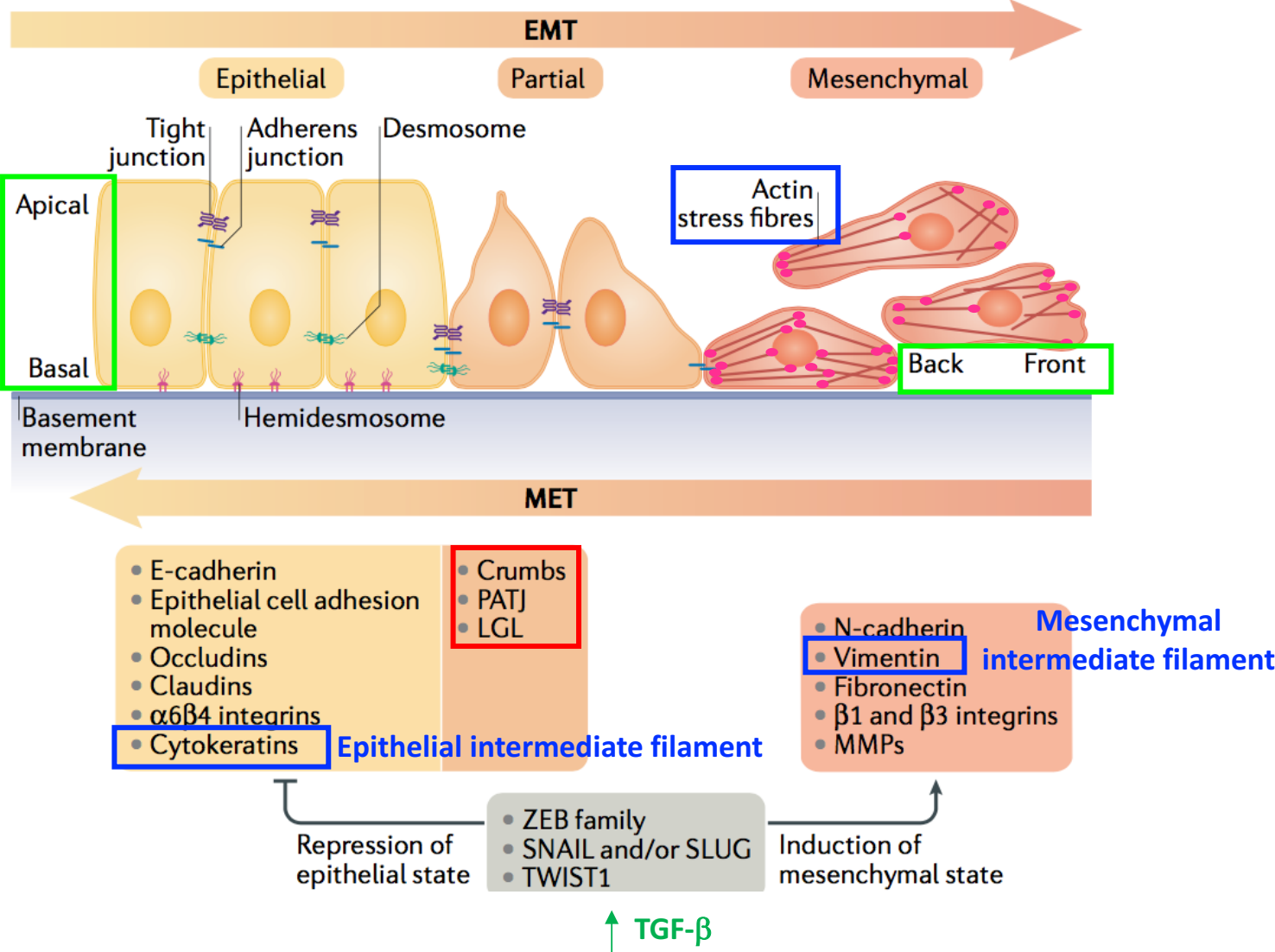
Adapted from figure 16-4, *Molecular Biology of the Cell 6th*

Battaglia et al., *F1000 Res.*, 2018

Burridge & Guilluy, *Exp Cell Res*, 2015

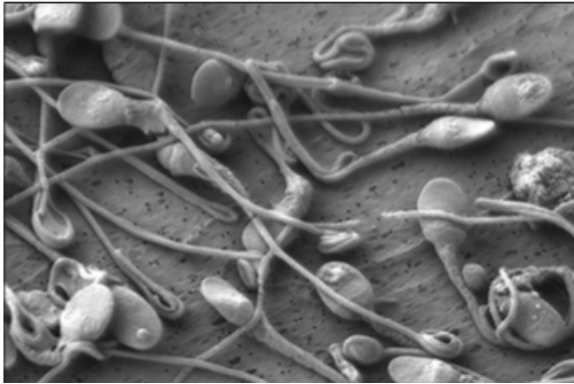
EMT = epithelial–mesenchymal transition

MET = mesenchymal-epithelial transition

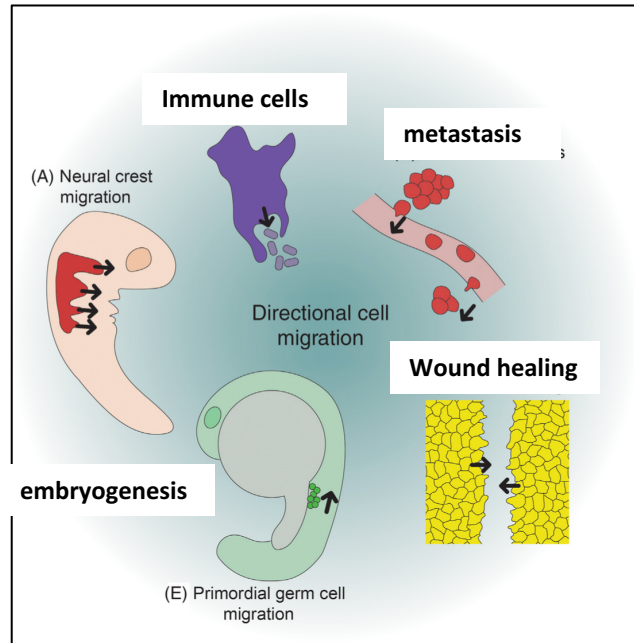


Cellular migration in human

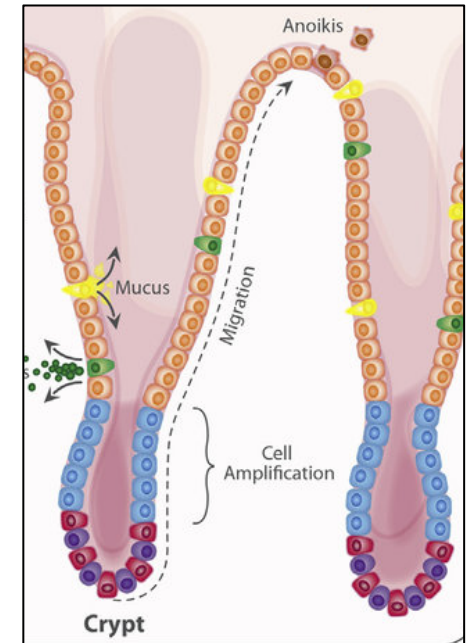
sperm : swimming
not migration ...



crawling cells : in embryos or adults

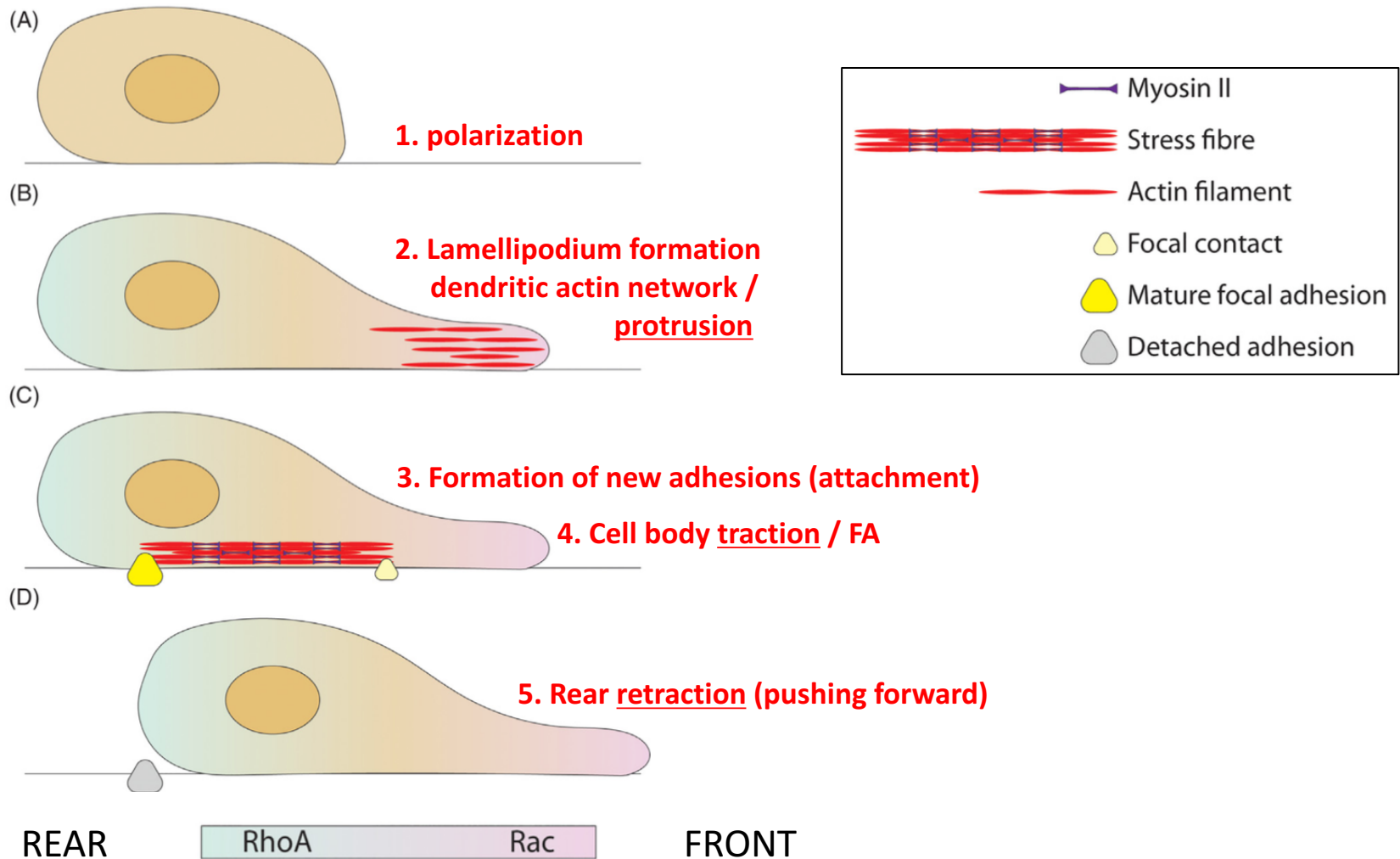


Shellard & Mayor, Trends Cell Biol, 2020

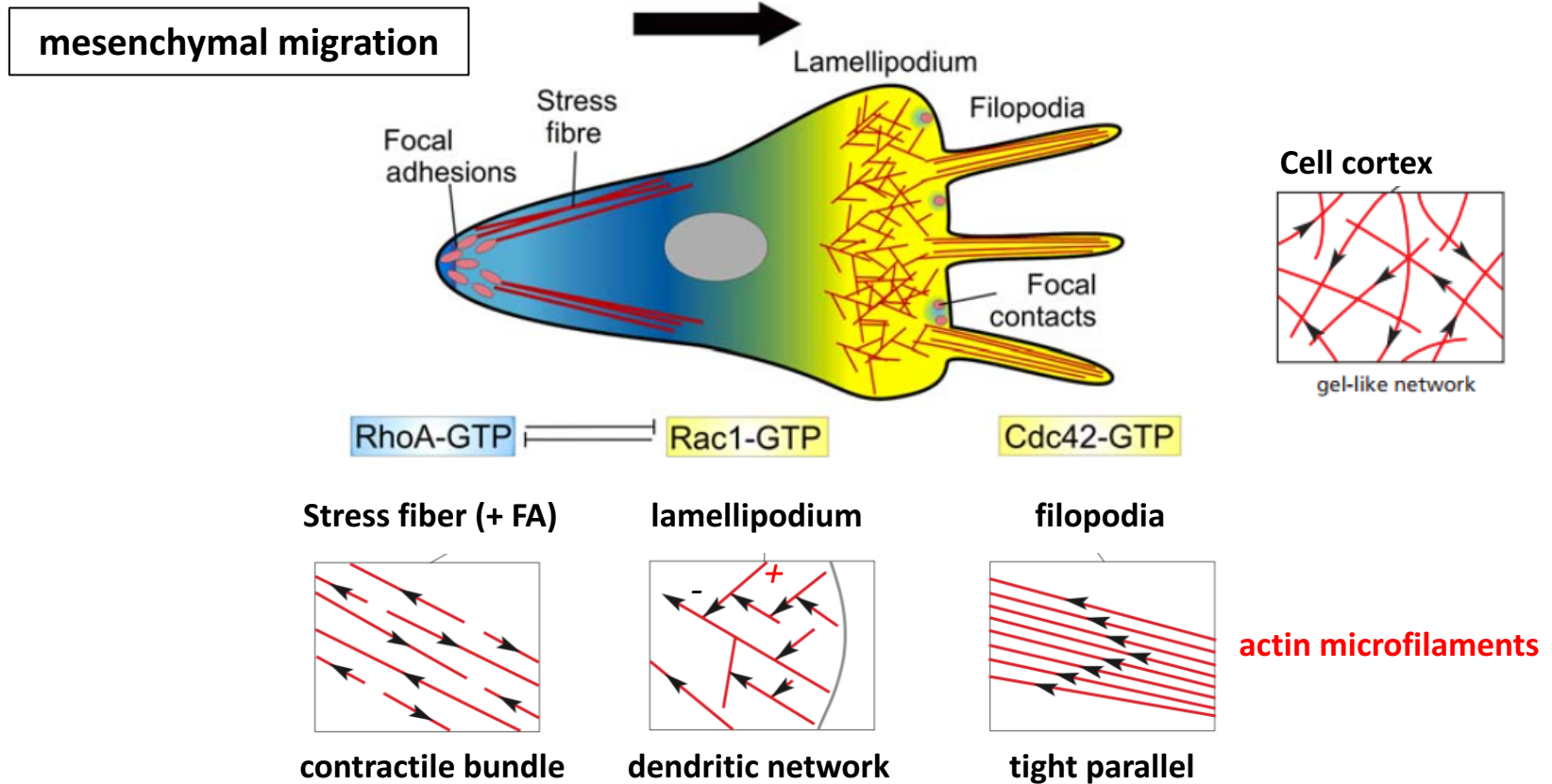


N. Bradbury

Five steps for mesenchymal cellular migration in 2D

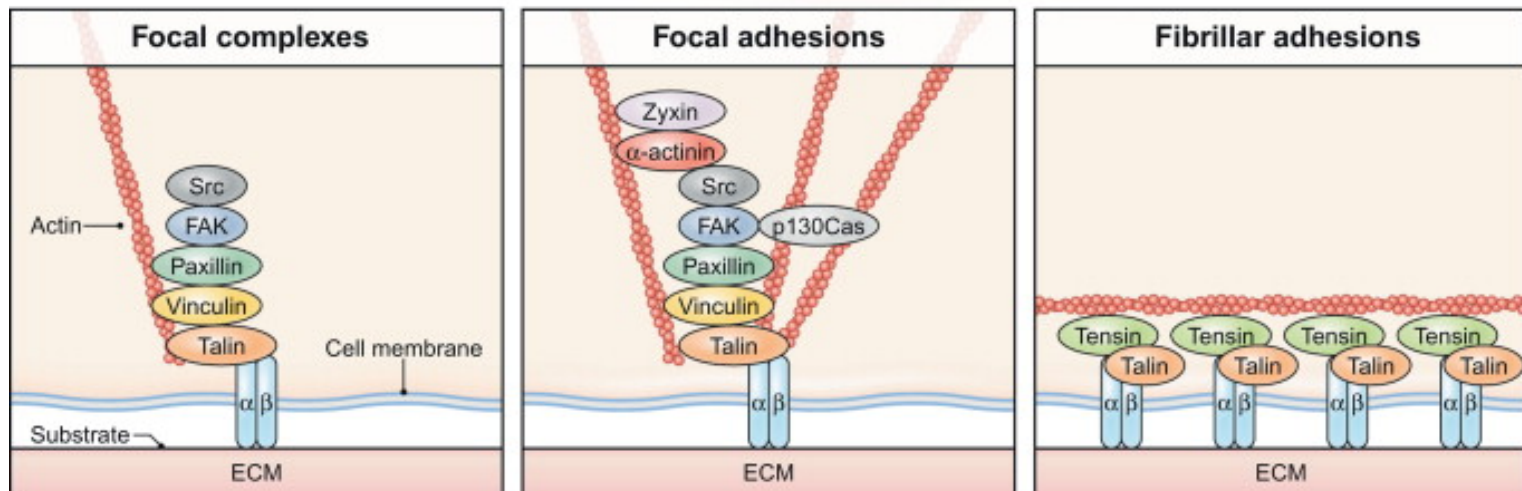
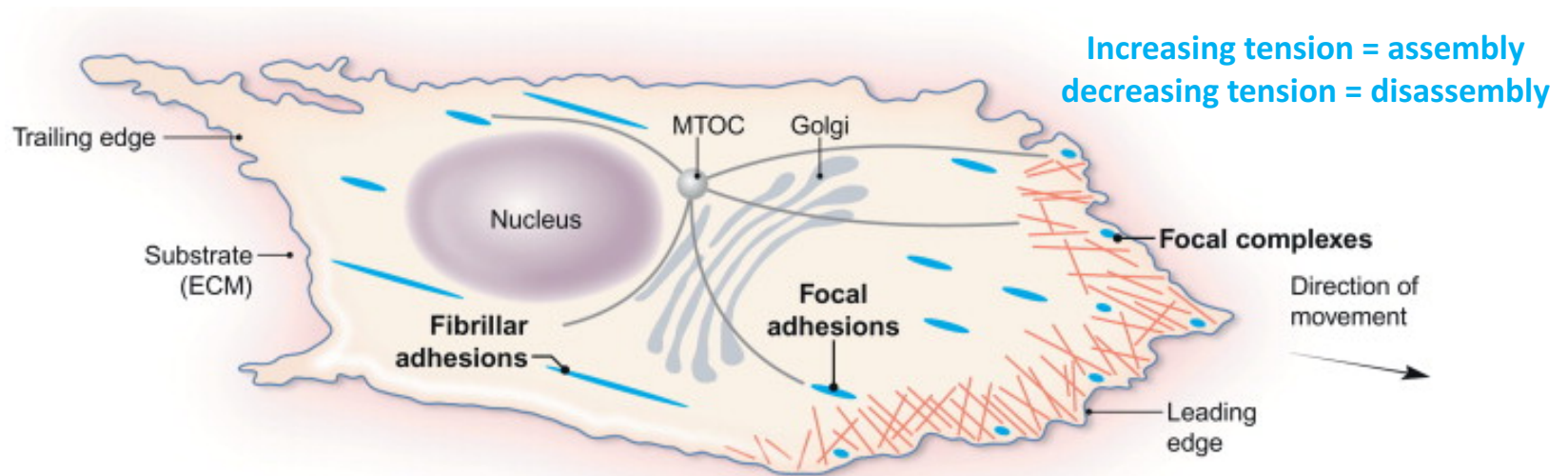


Rho, Rac, Cdc42 GTPases and actin cytoskeleton

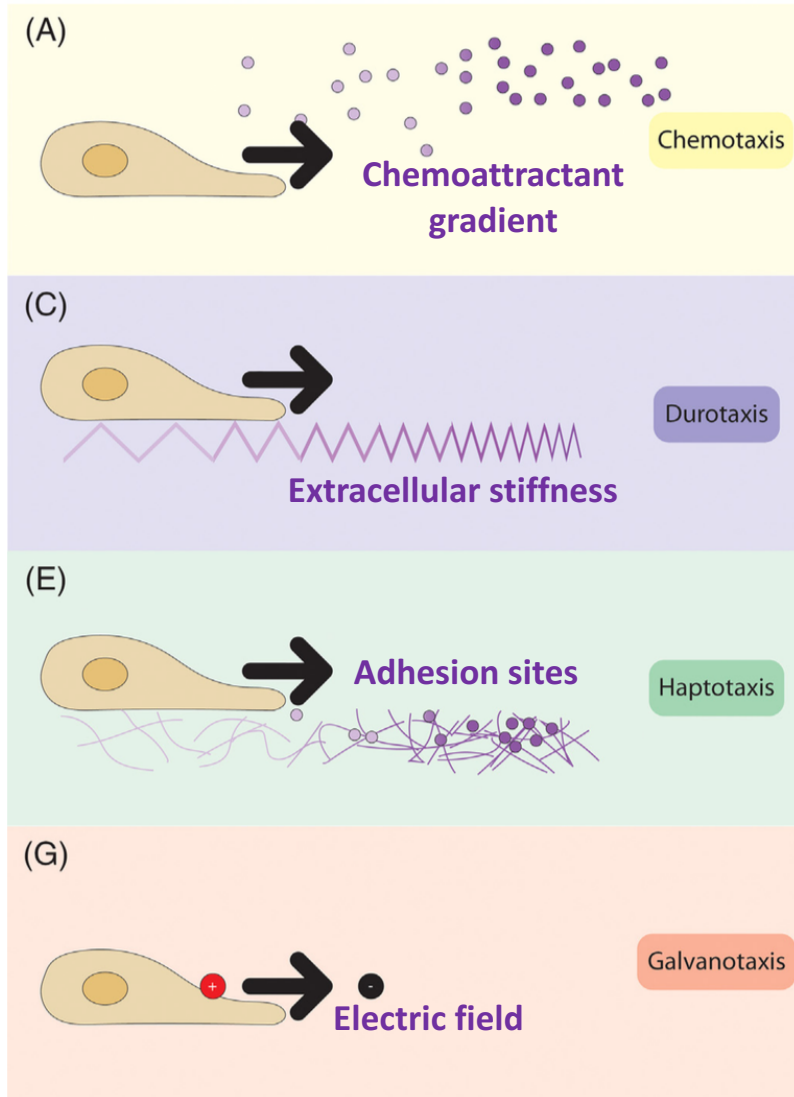


Mayor & Carmona-Fontaine, Trends Cell Biol, 2010
 Figure 16-21, Molecular Biology of the Cell 6th

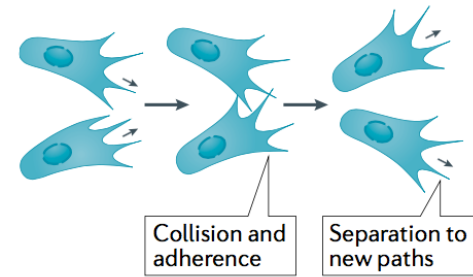
Focal adhesions maturation and disassembly



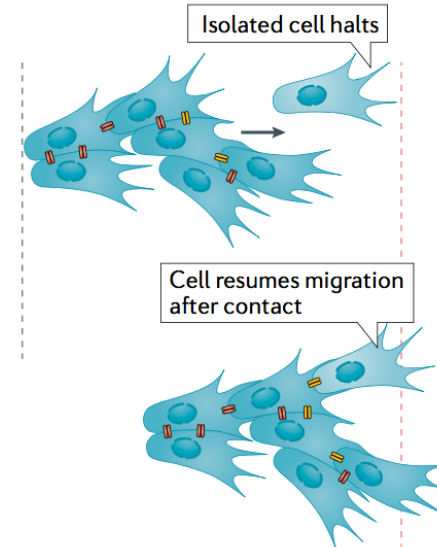
Determinants of migration direction



Contact inhibition of migration



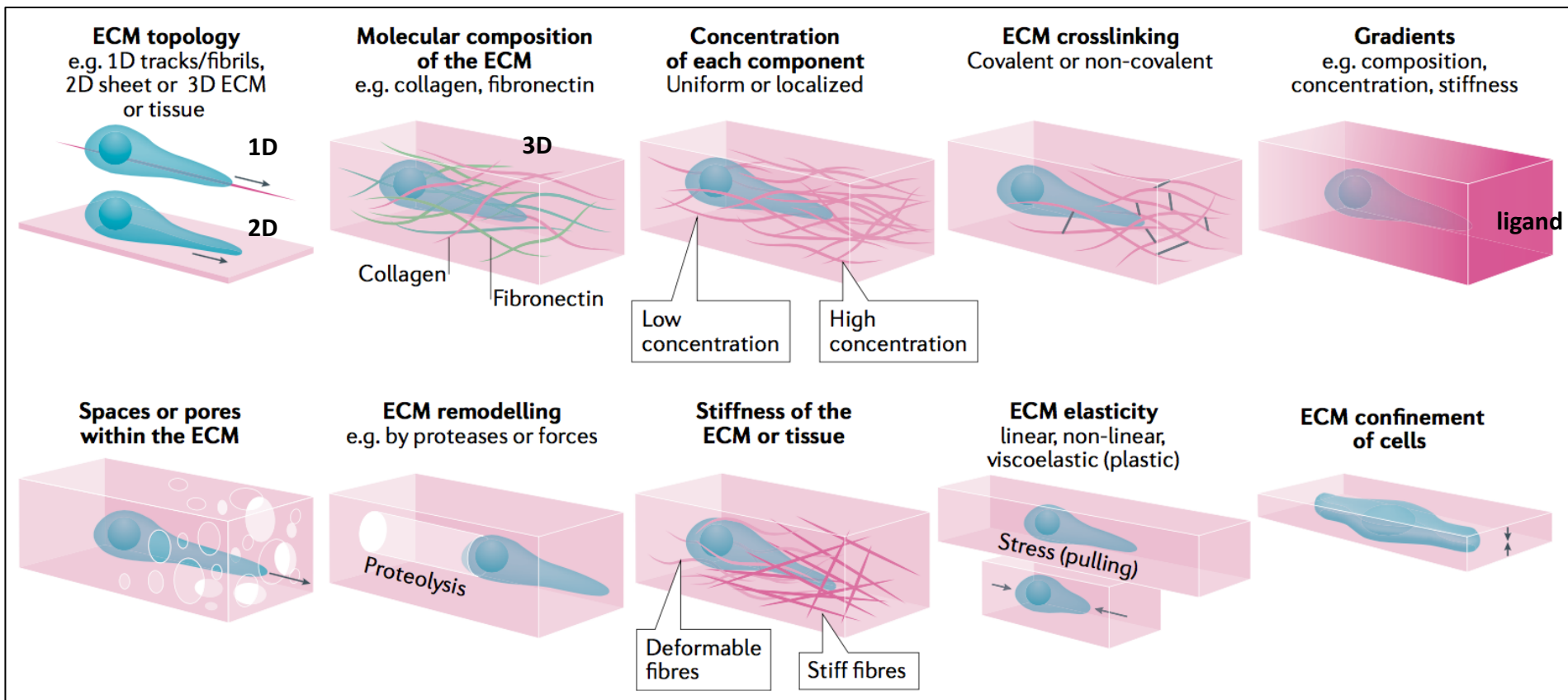
Contact stimulation of migration



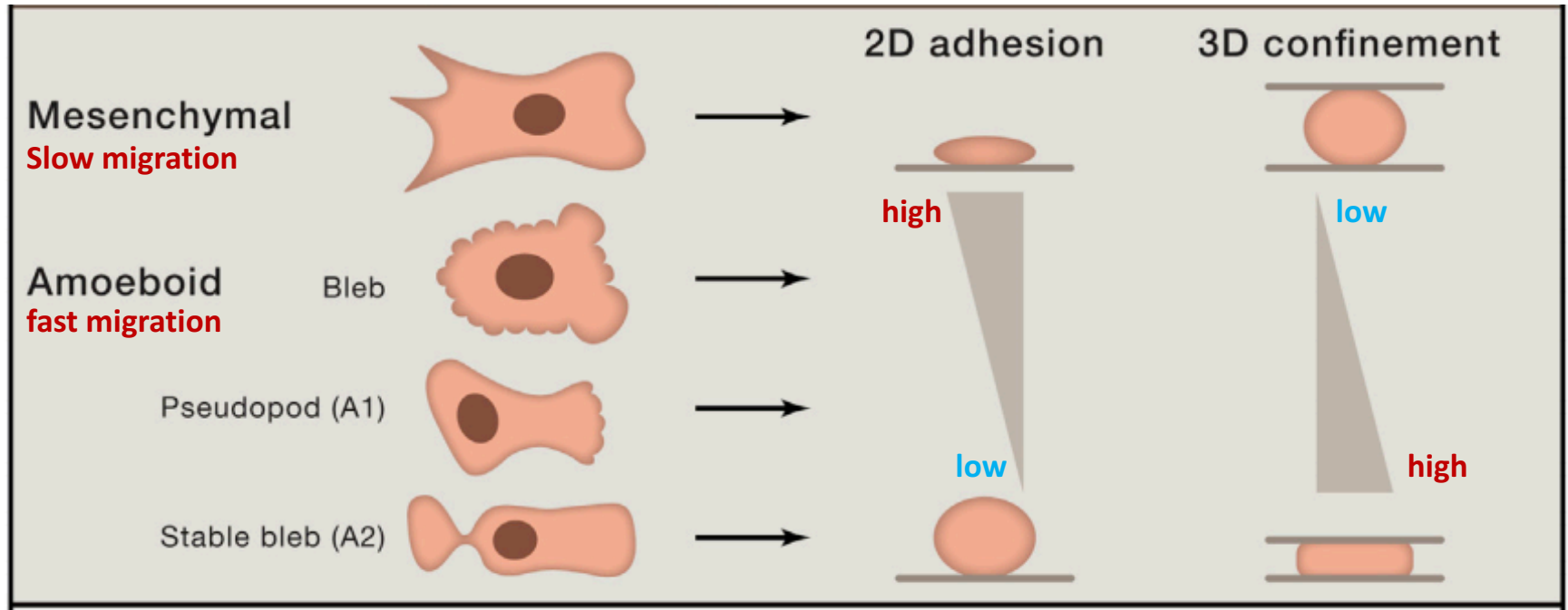
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Yamada & Sixt, *Mol Cell Biol*, 2019

ECM feature modulating migration in 3D



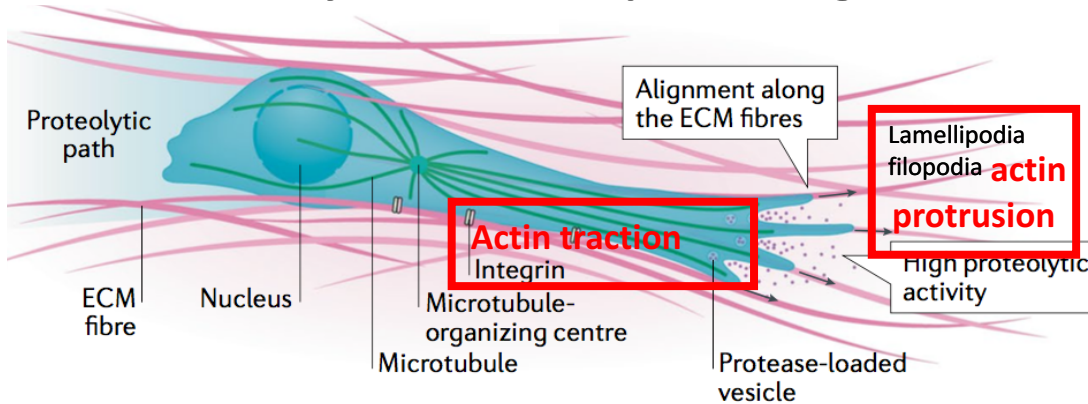
Modes of migration adopted by cells in 2D/3D



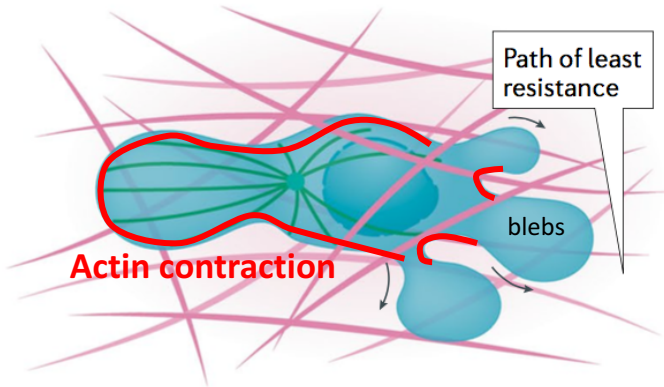
Influenced by strength of :
- Adhesion to the substrate
- Physical confinement
- Contractility

Modes of migration adopted by cells in 3D

Mesenchymal / lamellipodial migration



Amoeboid migration



Traction

Cell break the wall

Propulsion

Cell go through holes in the wall



Strong adhesion ECM

Front : Rac1 branched actin protrusion

ECM proteolysis

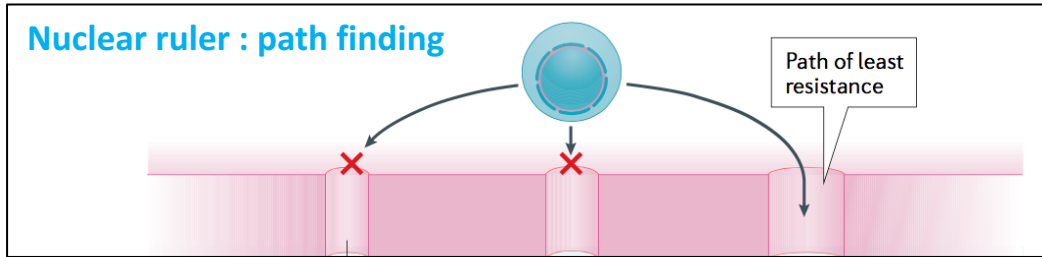
Nucleus in the back / MTs in the front

Low adhesion ECM

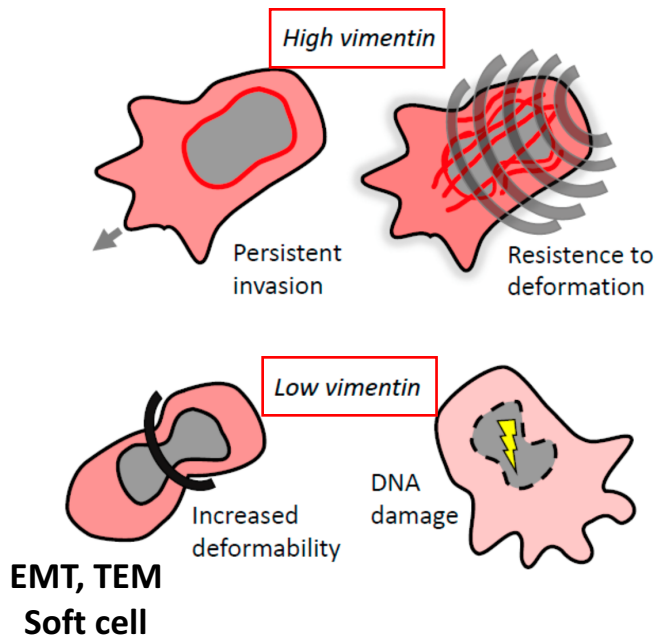
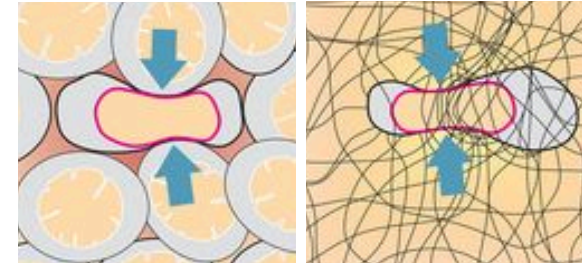
Back : RhoA Myosin contraction

Nucleus in the front / MTs in the back

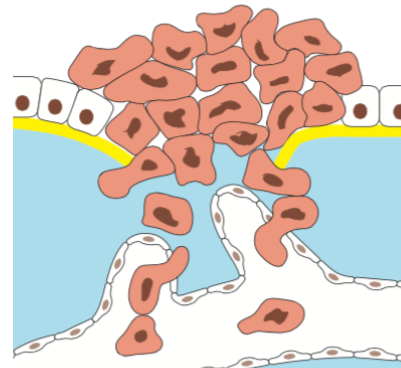
Nucleus and cell migration



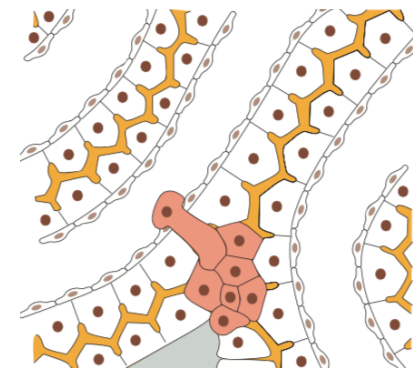
Nucleus = stress sensor



intravasation (EMT)



extravasation (MET)



CTCs (circulating tumor cells in the blood stream) : round and stiff cells

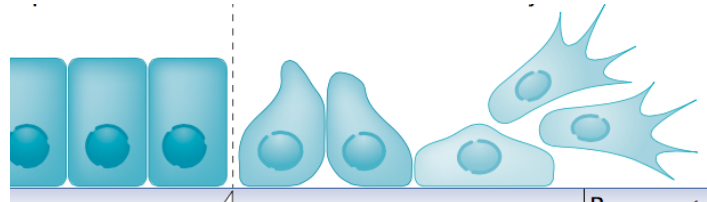
Venturini et al., Science, 2020

Yamada & Sixt, Mol Cell Biol, 2019

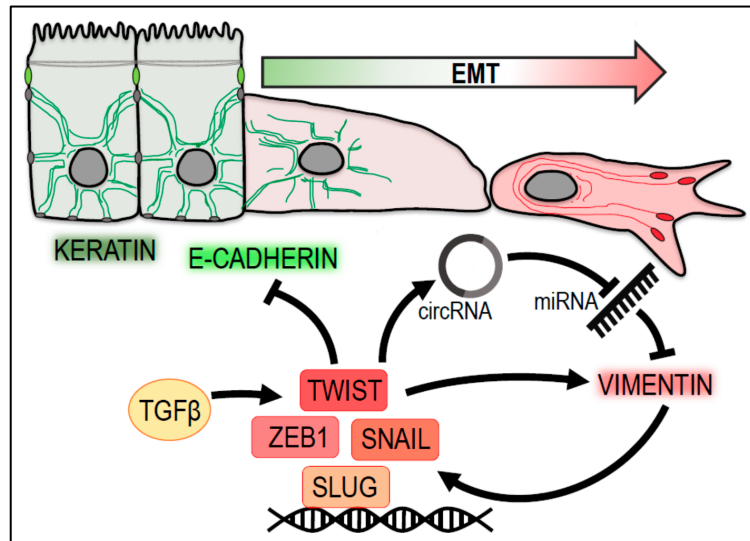
Strouhalova et al., Cancers, 2020

20-16, Molecular Biology of the Cell 6th

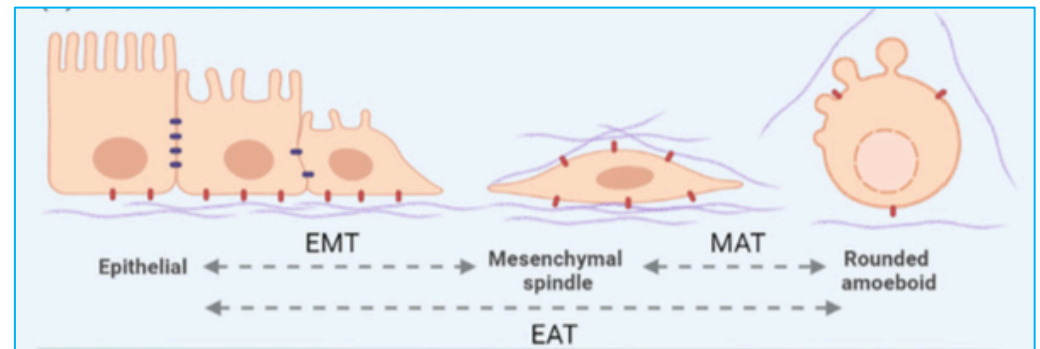
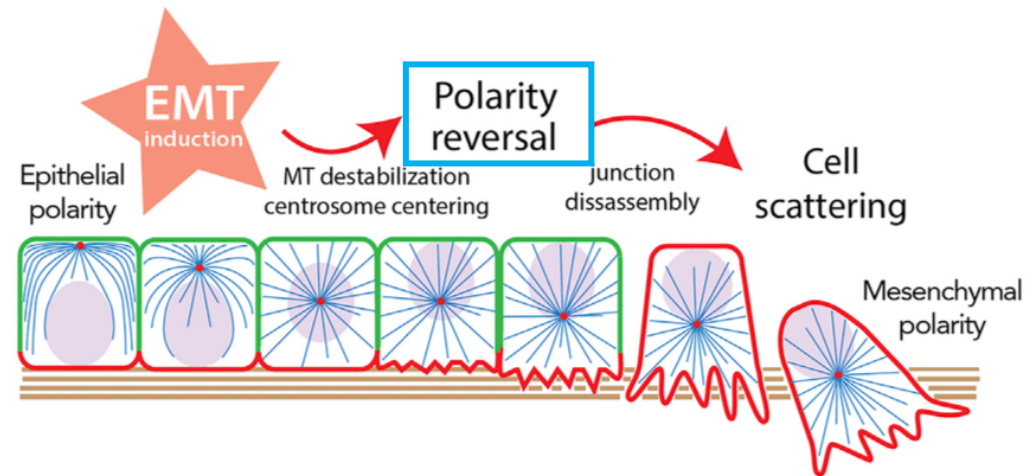
EMT = epithelial–mesenchymal transition



EMT & MET = abnormally reactivated during metastasis



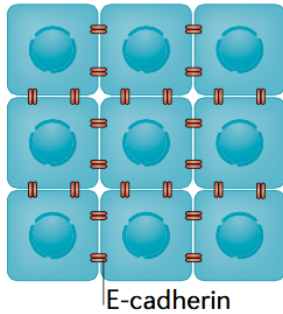
intermediate filaments : **keratin** / **vimentin** switch
 Cadherin : **E-Cad** / **N-Cad** switch
 Hemidesmosome / **focal adhesion**



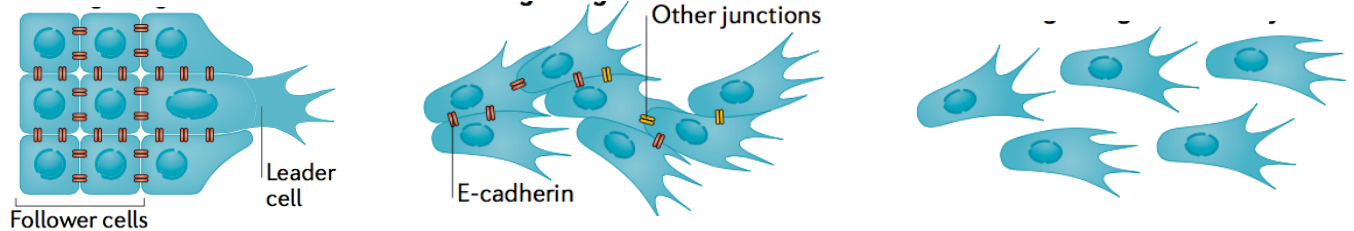
Yamada & Sixt, *Mol Cell Biol*, 2019 ; Strouhalova et al., *Cancers*, 2020
 Burute et al., *Dev Cell*, 2017 ; Graziani et al, *Trends in Cell Biology*, 2022

EMT in cancer : individual or collective migration

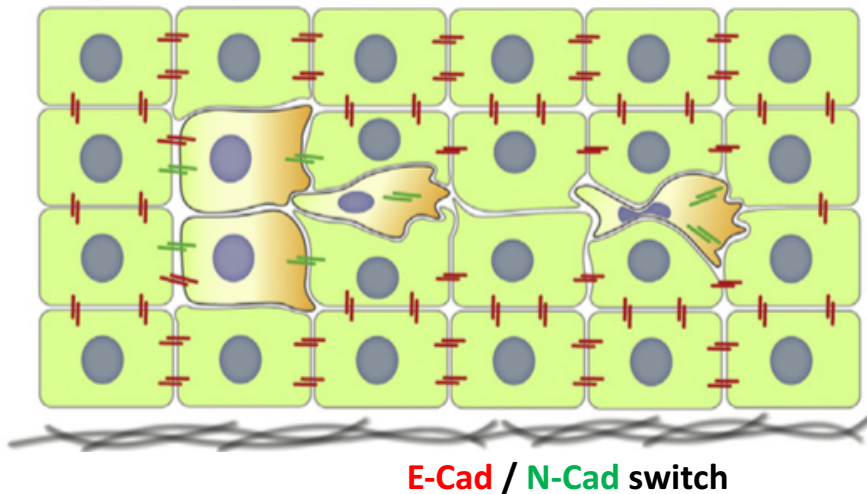
epithelium



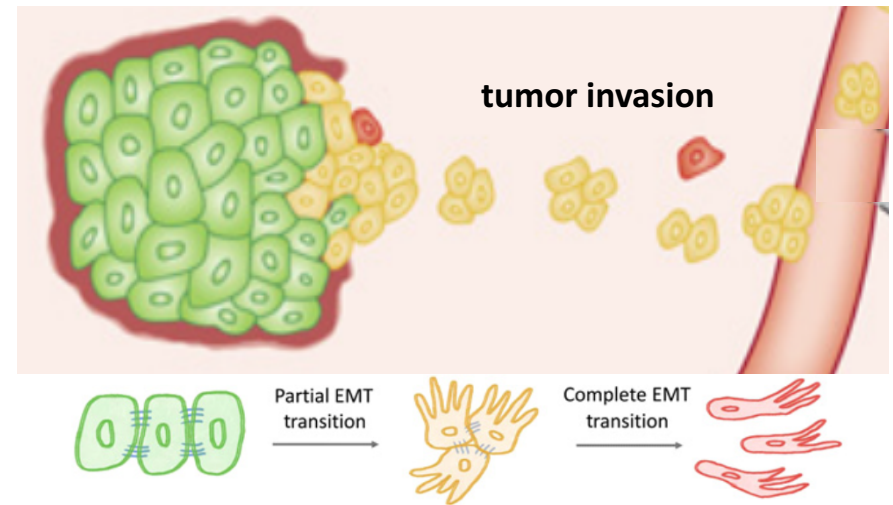
EMT effectiveness (mesenchymal property)



Complete EMT : confinement of the single migrating cell in the epithelium

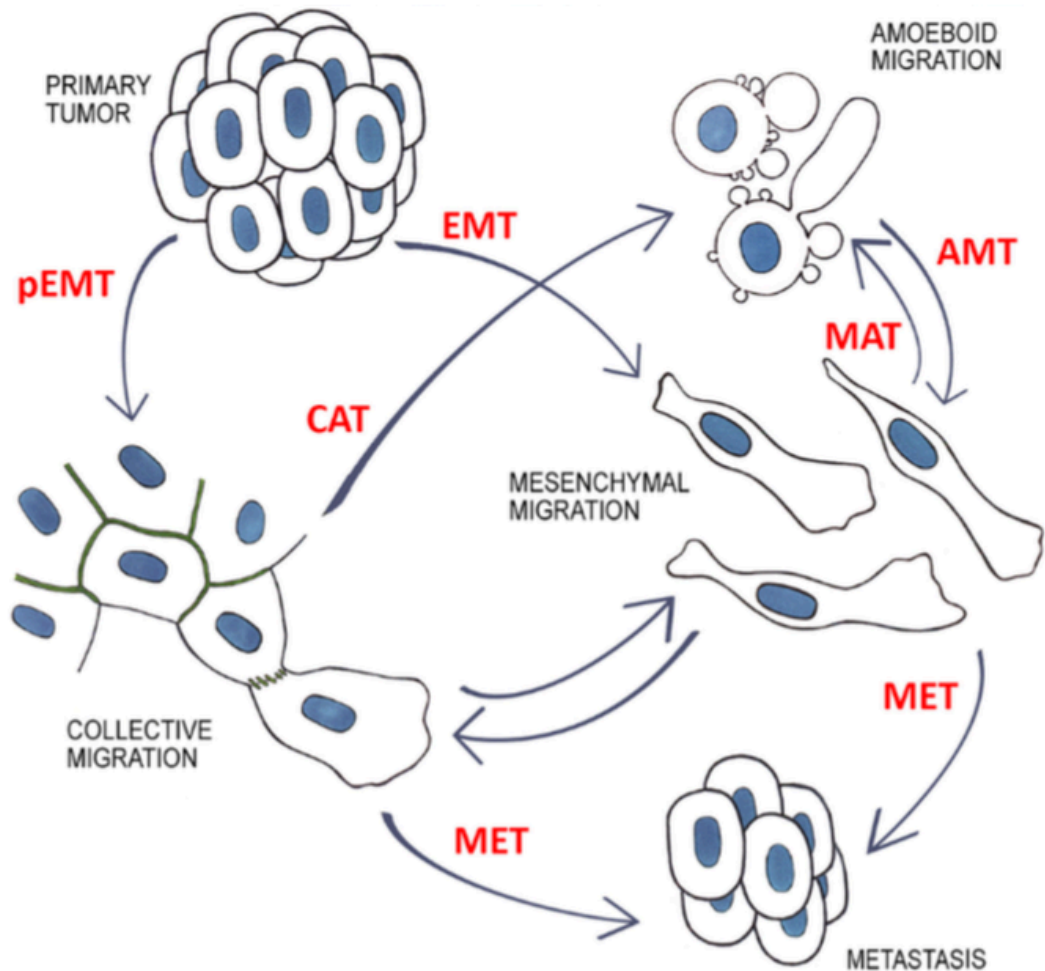


Partial EMT : collective cell migration



Yamada & Sixt, *Mol Cell Biol*, 2019
 Barriga & Mayor, *Sem Cell Dev Biol*, 2018
 Bocci et al., *Cancer Research*, 2019

Plasticity of cancer cell migration



Migrastatics :
anti-invasion / anti-metastatic
drugs ?

Therapeutic strategies related to metastasis ?

Preventing EMT (TEM) ?

- . How
- . When ? (early/late events of dissemination)

Targeting circulating tumor cells ?

Probably not in the blood stream for a long time ...

Best chance : targeting DTCs / their niches ?

Modulating quiescence - senescence ?

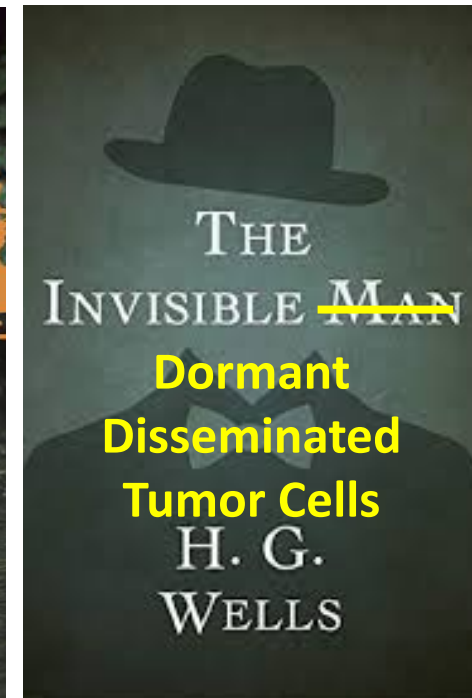
See cell cycle slides



CELLS

Migrating cells

DTC : dormant, resistant and killers if they wake-up



Ways to reduce your cancer risk



Do not smoke or use any form of tobacco



Avoid too much sun, use **sun protection**

Make your home **smoke-free**



Reduce indoor and outdoor **air pollution**



Enjoy a **healthy diet**



Be **physically active**



Breastfeeding reduces the mother's cancer risk



Limit alcohol intake



Vaccinate your children against Hepatitis B and HPV



Take part in organized **cancer screening programmes**