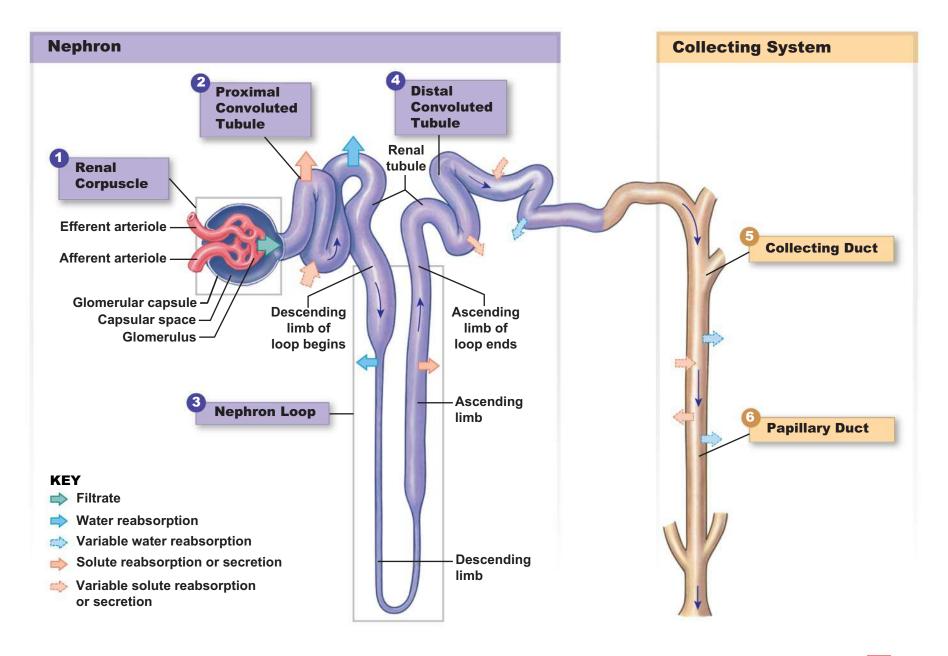
# **Urinary System:**

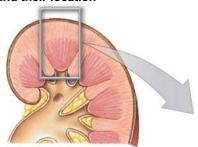
 Outcome: I can describe the specific filtration process kidneys use for blood.

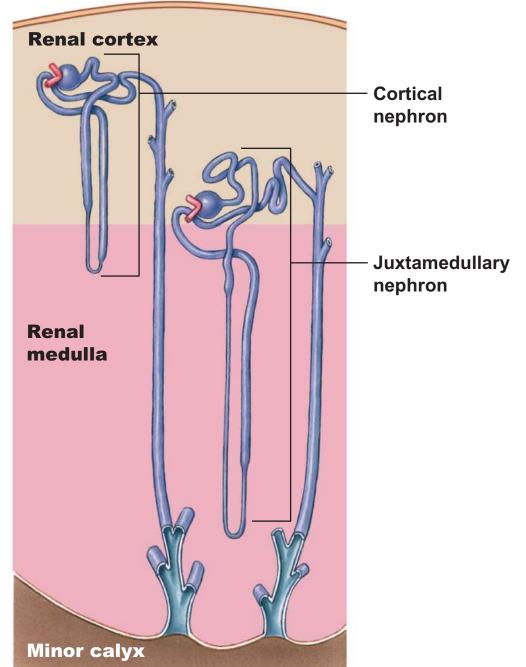
#### Drill:

What are the four main structures/organs in the urinary system?



Types of nephrons and their location





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## Segments of a Nephron

### Nephron components

- Two components
  - 1. Renal corpuscle
    - Blood pressure forces water and solutes out of the glomerular capillaries in a process called filtration
      - Produces filtrate (protein-free solution, similar to blood plasma)

#### 2. Renal tubule

- Tubular passageway
- Receives filtrate and modifies it to create urine

## Segments of a Nephron

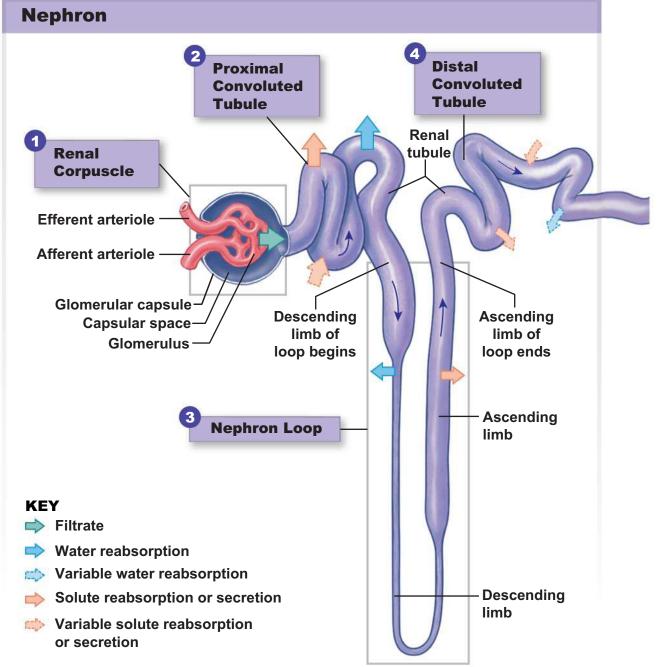
### Nephron segments

- Renal corpuscle
  - Glomerular capsule (cup-shaped chamber)
  - Capillary network (glomerulus)
- Proximal convoluted tubule (PCT)
  - Reabsorbs nutrients from the filtrate (now called tubular fluid)

## Segments of a Nephron

## Nephron segments (continued)

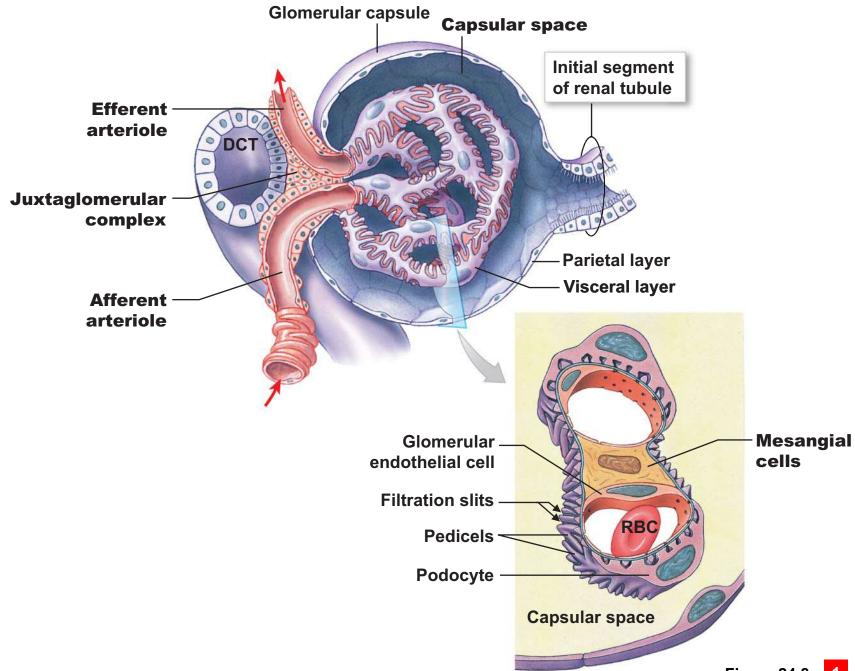
- Nephron loop (Loop of Henle)
  - Establishes osmotic gradient for water reabsorption
  - Each limb contains a thin segment and a thick segment
- Distal convoluted tubule (DCT)
  - Adjusts tubular fluid composition by reabsorption and secretion

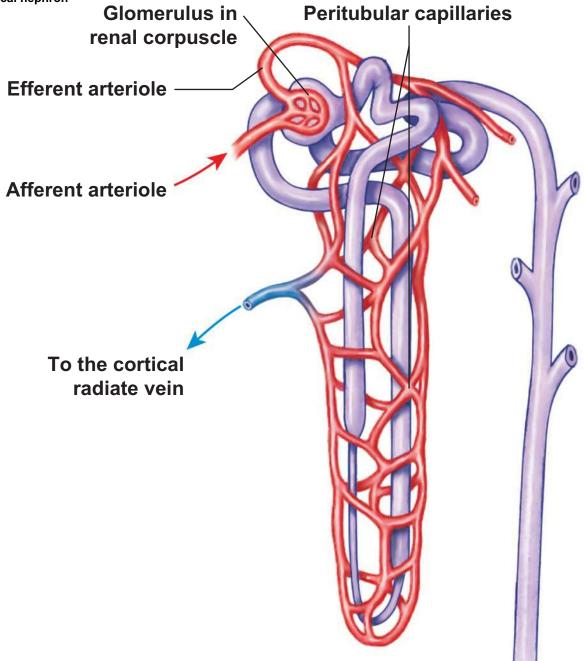


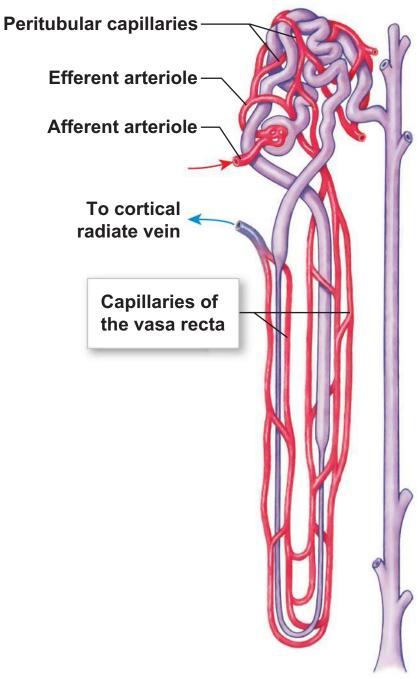
## **Circulation Patterns in the Kidney**

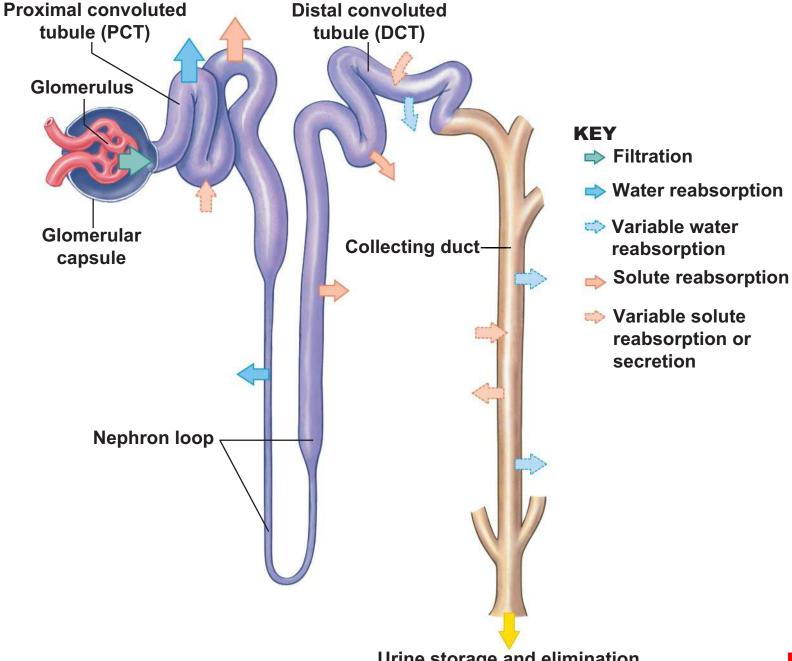
#### Blood flow around a nephron

- Afferent arteriole
  - Supplies blood to each individual nephron
- Glomerulus (FILTRATION OCCURS HERE)
- Efferent arteriole
  - Carries blood from the glomerulus to the peritubular capillaries
- Peritubular capillaries (in Cortical Nephron)
- Vasa Recta (in Juxtmedullary Nephron)
  - Surround the entire renal tubule
  - Collect water and solutes absorbed by the nephron
  - Deliver other solutes to the nephron for secretion
  - Drain into cortical radiate veins









#### **Glomerular Filtration Rate**

## Glomerular filtration rate (GFR)

- Amount of filtrate produced by the kidneys each minute
  - Each kidney has ~6 m<sup>2</sup> (64 sq. ft.) of filtration surface
  - GFR averages 125 mL/min (180 L/day)
    - ~99 percent is reabsorbed

# **Urinary System:**

- Exit Ticket:
- Describe the pathway of blood flow into the kidney.
  What arteries are being pass through (in order)?