

# Glandular Epithelia

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◦ Gland: 1 or more cells that make & secrete aqueous fluid

## Classified

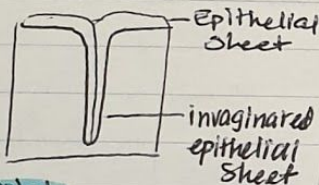
### Site of Release

Endocrine:  
(internal ~~secretion~~ secretion)  
ex. hormones

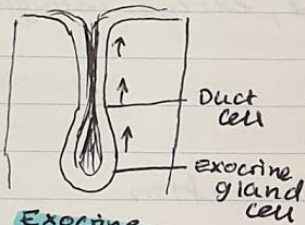
Exocrine: external secretion  
(sweat)

# of cells: → Unicellular (ex. goblet cells)  
→ multicellular (ex. salivary)

## Multicellular exocrine & endocrine formation:



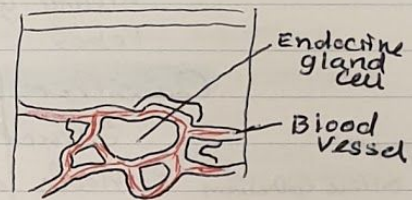
**Initial:**  
glands form  
by invagination  
(inward growth)  
of an epithelial  
sheet



**Exocrine Gland:**  
Retain connecting  
cells →  
form a duct  
for transporting  
secretions  
to epithelial  
surface, and  
to skin,  
body cavities  
& other bodily  
surfaces.

Exocrine > Endocrine

Exocrine  
Can: multicellular  
- unicellular  
↳ mucous cells  
↳ goblet cells



**Endocrine:**  
Lose connecting  
cells. Secrete  
hormones in  
intestinal fluid.  
The hormones  
enter the blood.  
↳ hormones  
travel  
through  
lymph  
or blood

~~All multicellular~~

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## Exocrine glands

### Unicellular

Example: mucous cells & goblet cells

Location: epithelial linings of intestinal & respiratory tracts

Function: produce mucin (sugar-protein that dissolves in water to form mucus)  
 ↳ protective coating

### Multicellular Exocrine glands

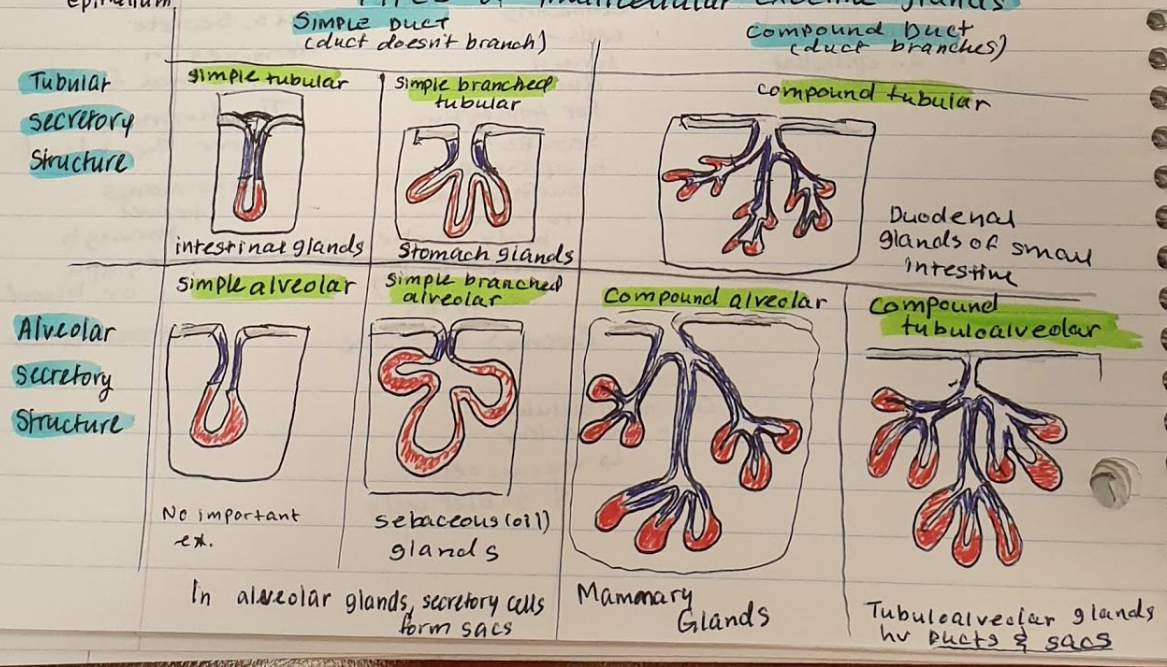
DESCRIPTION: composed of a duct & secretory unit  
 ↳ usually surrounded by supportive connective tissue that supplies blood & innervation  
 ↳ connective tissue can form capsule around gland, extend into gland, divide it into lobes

### Classified by:

- Structure
- Mode of Secretion.

- KEY
- Surface Epithelium
  - Duct Cell
  - Secretory Epithelium

## TYPES of multicellular Exocrine glands

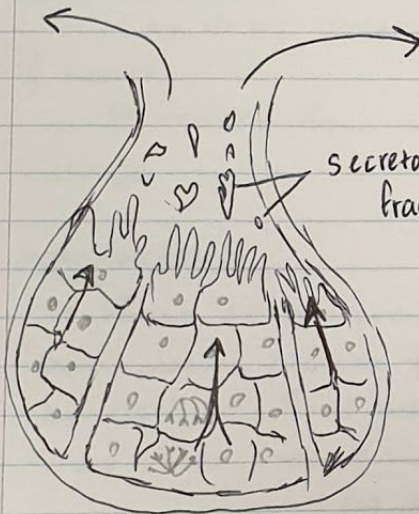


Main modes of Secretion in Human  
exocrine glands

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(a) Merocrine glands secrete their products by exocytosis as they're produced ex. sweat glands, pancreas



(b) Holocrine glands, the secretory cell ruptures releasing secretions  $\frac{1}{3}$  dead cell fragments (sebaceous oil glands)

(c) Apocrine: accumulate products within, but only apex ruptures; whether this exists in humans is controversial (mammary cells)