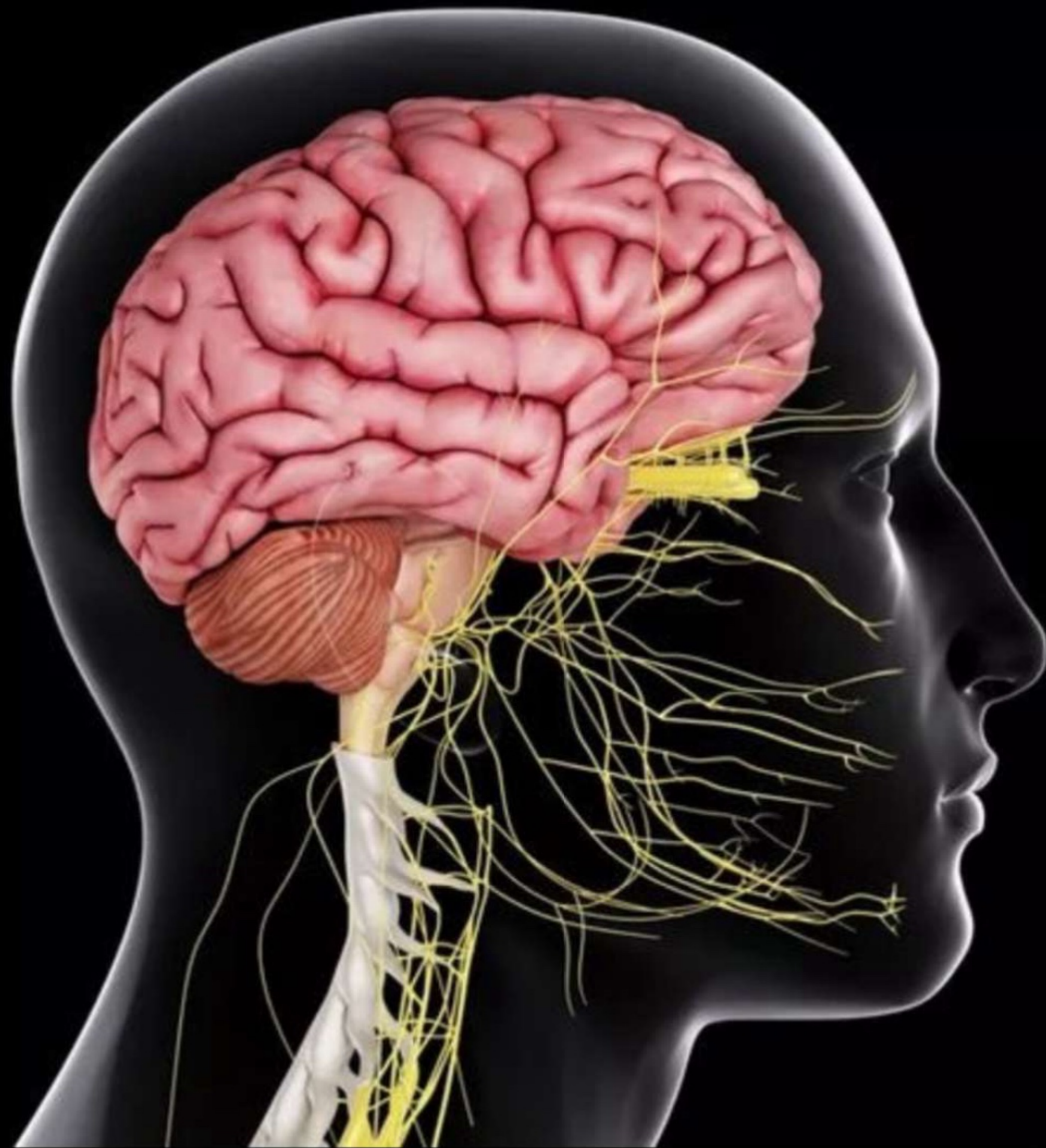




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# CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM

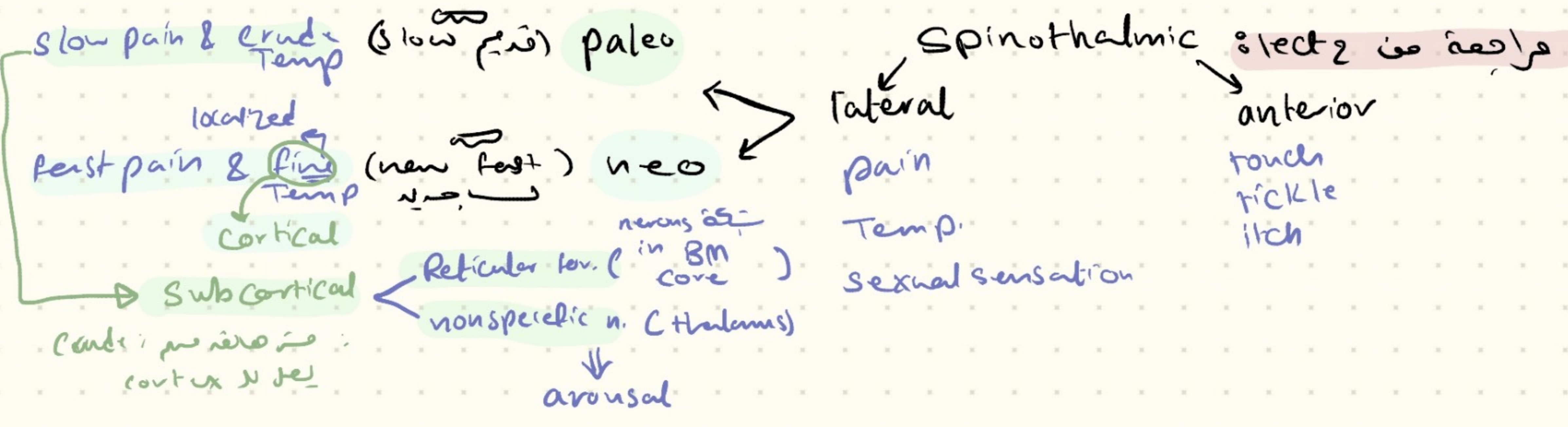


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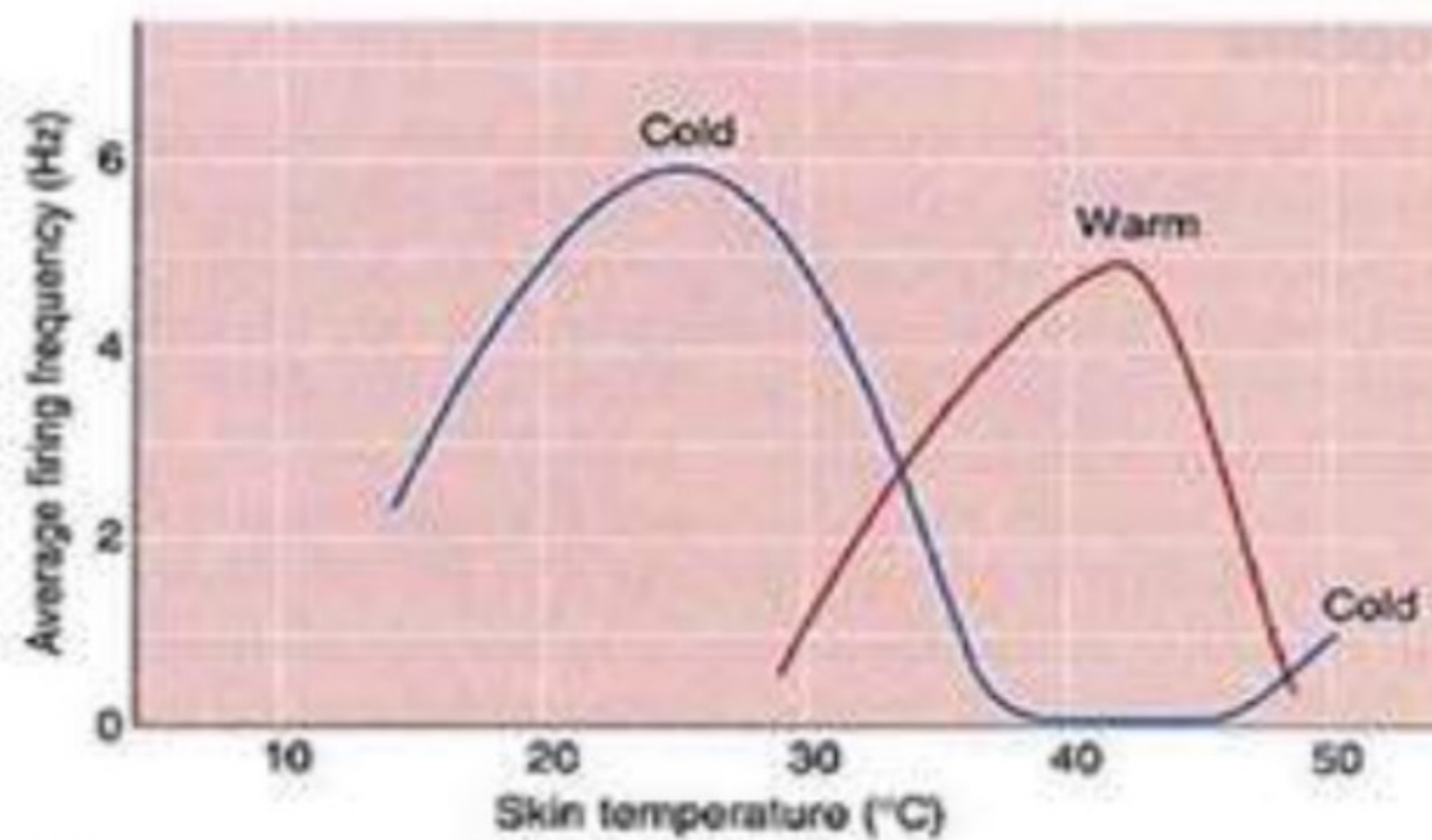
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## Thermoceptive Sensation

### Characters of thermal receptors

- Have a small receptive field and widely separated.
- \* Cold R. are 10 times more numerous than warm R. (عوداً)
- \* Cold R. adapt more slowly than warm. (دئشقر بانوسون لاسنلس) (الدمسبع)



Thermoreceptors are stimulated chemically by changing the metabolic rate

in extreme Temp there is pain activation (why): Both pain & Temp are located in lateral white column (spinothalamic) so they're close  
 ⊕ Temp = ⊕ pain  
 ↓ extremes \*

There are 2 types of thermoreceptors (1) Internal thermoreceptors located in the anterior hypothalamus for detection of the head temperature (2) External thermoreceptors: These include cold and warmth receptors and also certain pain receptors that are stimulated only by extreme degrees of heat and cold (leading to the freezing cold and burning hot sensations). These receptors are located under the epithelial layer of the skin, and there are discrete cold and warmth sensitive spots (with thermally insensitive areas in between), and the cold spots are 4-10 times more in number.

من الحاضرة الورك  
 Thermo is moderately adapting

- THE WARMTH RECEPTORS are special free nerve endings that transmit warmth sensation along with type C afferent nerve fibers.
- THE COLD RECEPTORS: They are free nerve endings transmitting cold sensation along type C and type A-delta nerve fibers

كن تعرف اكو يارد او سخن عن حرارة الجلد المحسوس يارد  
 Thermoreceptors على ال SC و SKIN  
 بارد: جلد بارد  
 (لانه لوفن على ما هو سخن = صفة حرارة)

The thermosensitive pain receptors are brought into action below

10°C and above 45°C.

pain امتداد الفيجي لى Temp من  
 \* receptors = اللفظ  
 لا يصون زم (vc =

- **Stimulation of the thermoreceptors** is stimulated chemically by changes in their **metabolic rates** produced by the thermal stimuli.   
 = Change metabolites = معرفة الحرارة
- **Adaptation of the cutaneous thermoreceptors:** These receptors are moderately adapting, and the **warmth receptors** adapt **more rapidly** than the **cold receptors**.
- **Central pathway of thermal sensations:** the **lateral spinothalamic tract**.
- **Testing thermal sensations:** This is carried out by touching the skin with the end of a metal tube that is electrically heated in a controlled manner, and the subject with **closed eyes** is asked to differentiate between various temperatures. Test tubes containing hot and cold water at different temperatures can also be used

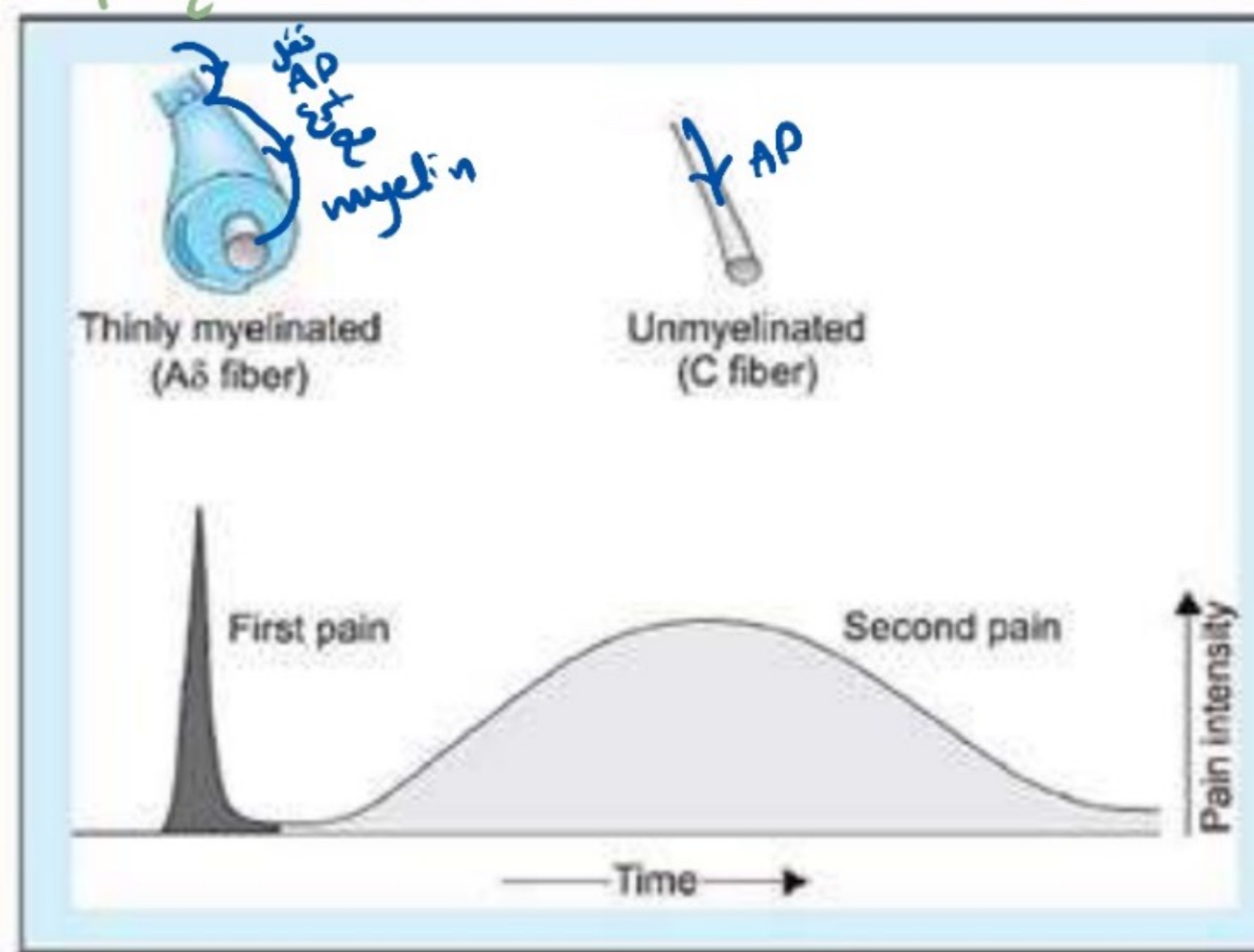
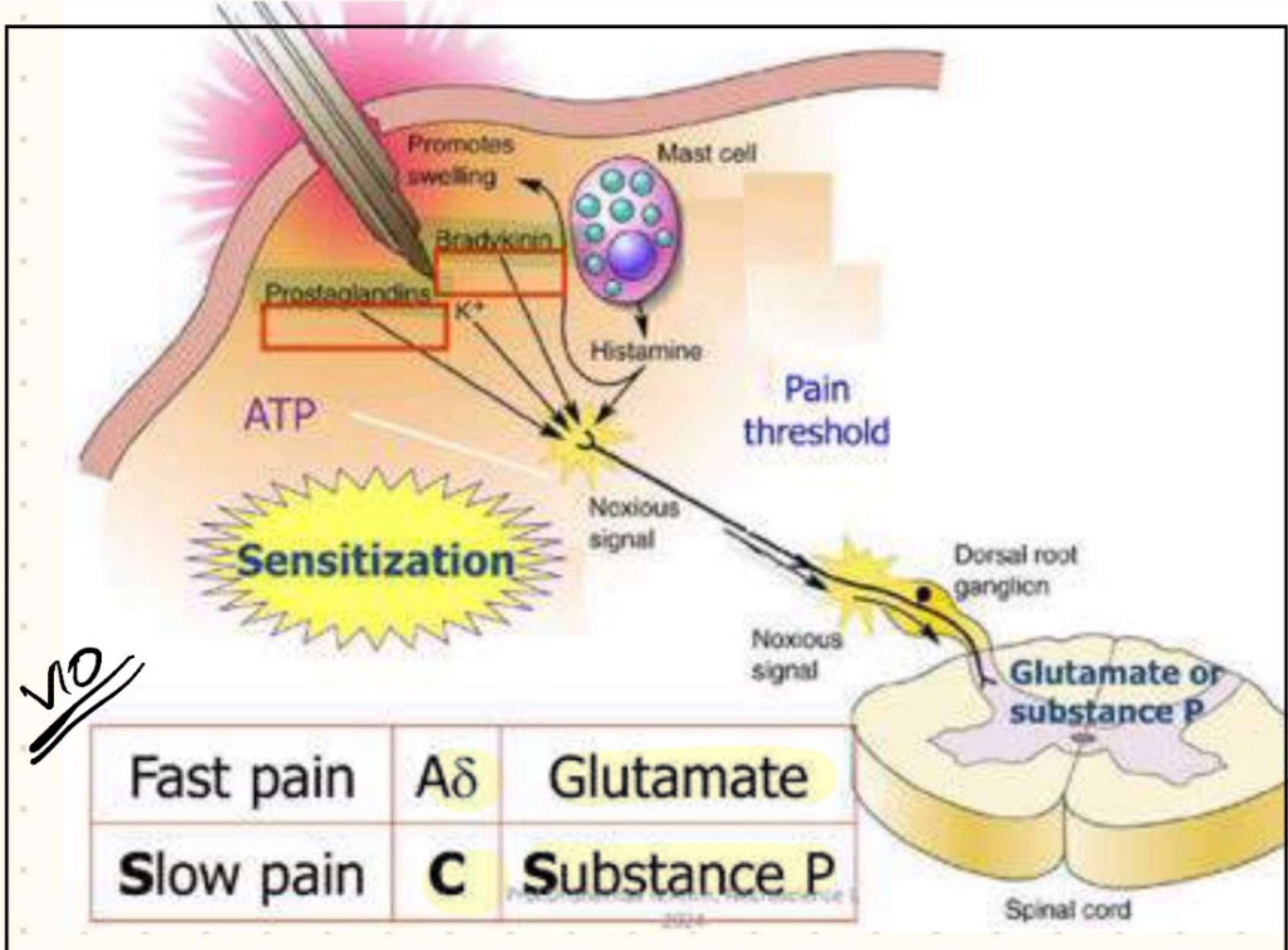
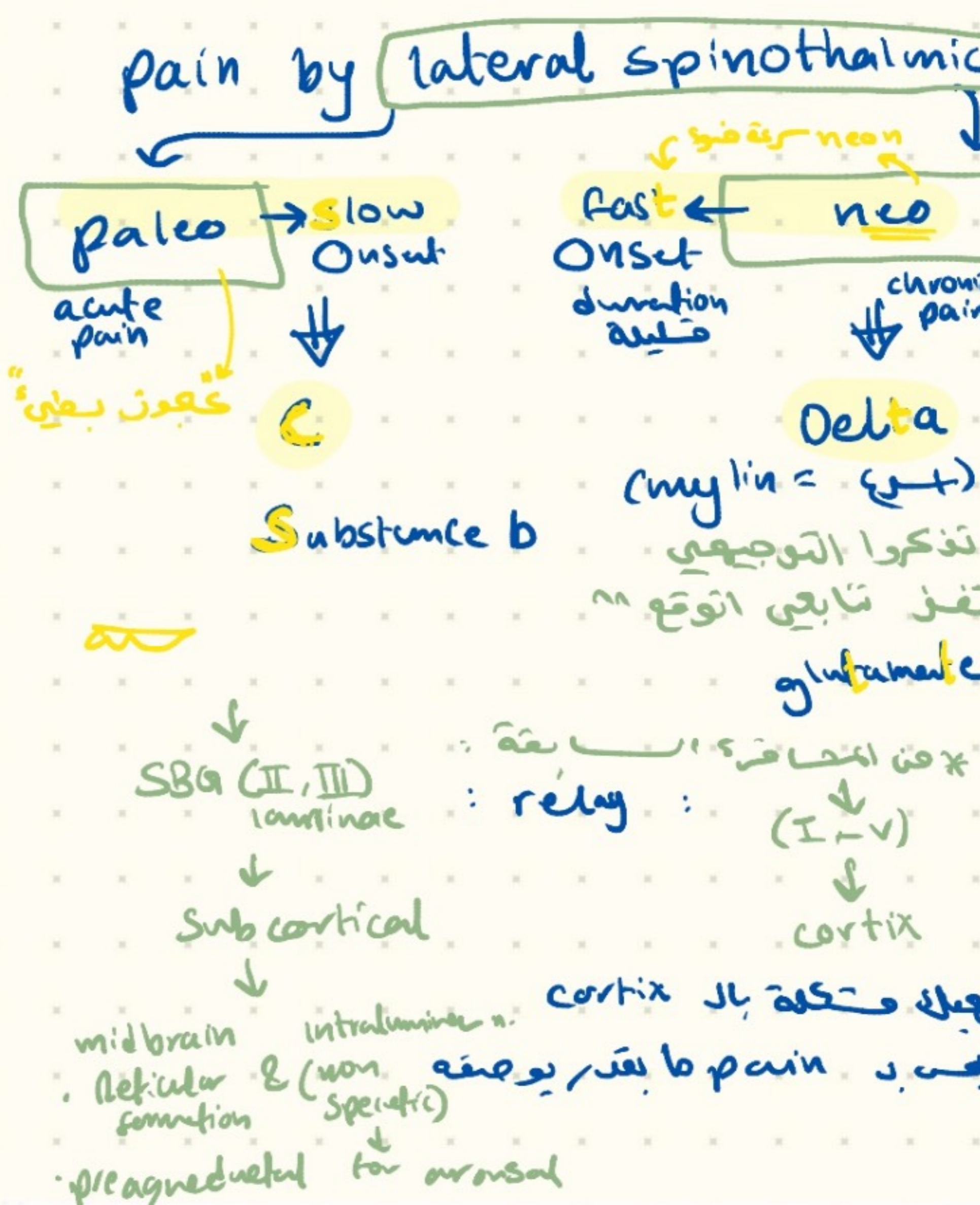
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 et hile  
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 AP ما هيقبل  
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 NO = قف  
 Signal No  
 sensation

## Pain "protective"

### Nociceptors

- Free nerve endings slowly (non) adapting to prolonged stimulation
- 4 types:
  - Mechanical pain receptors.
  - Thermal pain receptors.
  - Chemical pain receptors.
  - Polymodal pain receptors

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# PAIN SENSATION

- Pain is a specific unpleasant sensation, but its adequate stimulus is not specific (produced by any noxious stimulus, whether mechanical, thermal or chemical. It has a protective function and is almost non-adapting)
- **Pain receptors (the nociceptors)** are specific **naked free nerve endings**. They are more abundant in the **skin** than in the deep tissues and viscera, and they are stimulated mainly **chemically** by substances released from damaged tissue, especially **bradykinin** and certain **proteolytic enzymes**
- Actually, **nociceptors** are ion channel, which are called **Transient Receptor Potential channel (TRP)**.

To remember  
 ناجي : الـ الـ الـ  
 تكون الـ الـ الـ  
 • free (unen-capsulated)  
 • C /  $\delta$  attract  
 (المسوية) less

تذكروا من patho  
 general  
 pain by • BK  
 mediators • PG  
 • Hisb.

- All TRP channels are **gated by temperature** and various chemical ligands, but different types respond to different temperature ranges and have different activation thresholds. At least **six** types of TRP receptors have been identified in sensory neurons.
- **Fast and slow pain:** According to its **site**, pain may be classified into **cutaneous, deep, and visceral pain**. However, it is more frequently divided into **fast and slow types**.

$\delta$  : neo  
 مستر يستقبله الـ  
 cortex بينما  $\delta$  مستر  
 مستر ما يستقبله الـ  
 cortex المحترم

## Types of pain

Fast pain	Slow pain
Felt within 0.1 sec	Felt within 1 sec or more
Short duration	May be prolonged
Well localized	Poorly localized
Mechanical or thermal	All types of receptors
Usually in skin, rare in deep tissues	Skin, deep tissues & viscera

Fast pain	Slow pain
Carried by $A\delta$ , blocked by pressure	Carried by C, blocked by local anaesthetics
$A\delta$ release Glutamate	C release Substance P
Transmitted by Neospinothalamic T	Transmitted by Paleospinothalamic T
Its fibers end in sensory cortex	End in RF $\rightarrow$ Non-specific thalamic nuclei $\rightarrow$ whole cortex

①  
 \*  
 ③

④  
 ⑤  
 \*

$\delta$  (fast) بالغلظة

	FAST PAIN	SLOW PAIN
Site (origin)	Almost only in the skin	Skin, deep tissues and viscera
Stimulus	Mainly the mechanical and thermal noxious stimuli	Mechanical, thermal, and chemical, noxious stimuli
Quality ②	Pricking (sharp or acute)	Burning (aching or chronic)
Perception	0.1 second after stimulation	second or more after stimulation
Duration	Less than one second	Many seconds to a few minutes
Localization	Well-localized	Diffuse (poorly-localized)
Afferent nerve	Type A-delta nerve fibers which release glutamate	Type C nerve fibers which release substance P
Carrying tract	Neospinothalamic tract	Paleospinothalamic tract
Centre in CNS	Cerebral cortex	Reticular formation & thalamus

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# Central perception of pain sensation

• Pain sensation is transmitted to the higher centers by the lateral spinothalamic tract, which consists of 2 parts

(1) **Palaeospinothalamic tract** transmits slow pain and terminates subcortically, especially at the reticular formation and the intralaminar thalamic nuclei.

(2) **Neospinothalamic tract**: transmits fast pain, and its fibers relay first in the ventrobasal complex of the thalamus, then finally terminate at the cortical somatic sensory areas

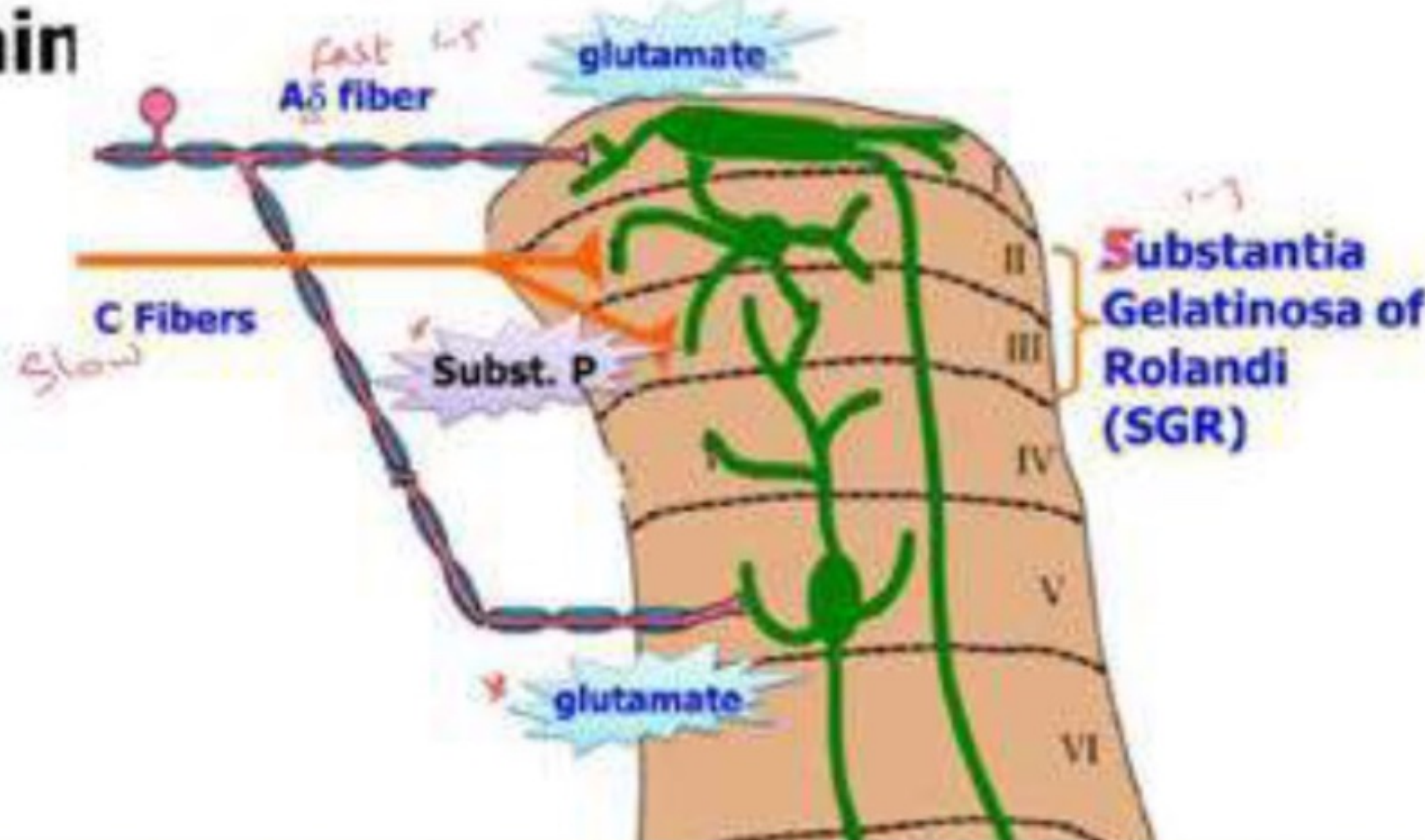
عبر  
"الله هو  
بلي بيحافظ  
علينا من احنا  
بلي بيحافظ  
على نفسنا"

• Removal of the cortical somatic sensory areas does not abolish the perception of both types of pain. This indicates that pain is generally perceived mainly at a subcortical level (in the thalamus, reticular formation, and other lower centers). However, the cortical centers are essential for interpreting the quality and locality of pain.

قلنا ان لا عدد  
اقول الاعداد  
من صستر ما يستعمله  
subcortical = cortex

## Roles of the cortex in pain perception are ?

1. Localization of pain.
2. Discrimination of pain
3. Modulation of pain.



## Distribution of pain receptors

Widely distributed

1. Sup. Layers of skin
2. Periosteum
3. Arterial walls
4. Joint surface
5. Flax & tentorium of cranial cavity

Less distributed

Deep tissues & Viscera

Absent

1. Liver
2. Parenchyma
3. Lung alveoli
4. Brain tissue

5. visceral  
pleural/pericard.

pain insensitive

less receptors in viscera

# CUTANEOUS PAIN:

1

- This may be fast, well-localized, pricking, or slow, diffuse burning pain. It is not referred to and is tested by either pricking the skin with a pin or heating the subject's skin and recording the temperature at which pain occurs.

## CUTANEOUS HYPERALGESIA

- This is pathological hypersensitivity to pain. It is of 2 types:

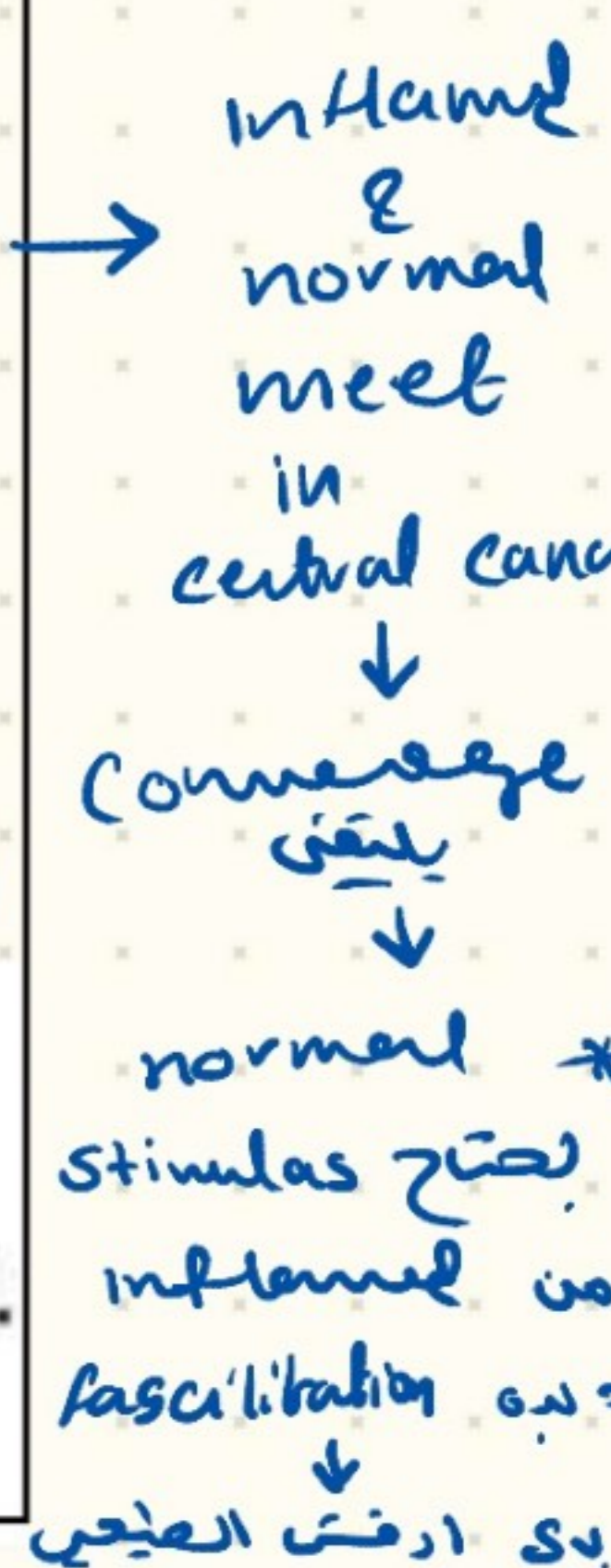
(1) **Primary hyperalgesia:** This occurs in the injured skin area and the surrounding area of flare (V.D.), in which the pain threshold is lowered so that non-noxious stimuli become painful. It is due to sensitization of the pain receptors by some substances released from the damaged tissues (histamine, kinins, K, certain enzymes, or prostaglandins). It has also been suggested to be due to the release of substance P from nerve endings due to a local axon reflex through antidromic impulses, which sensitizes the pain nerve endings and produces V.D. (i.e. flare), the triple response

هذه المواد تقلل pain threshold : sensitization  
touch ال حساسية  
⊕ pain Sensitivity stimuli

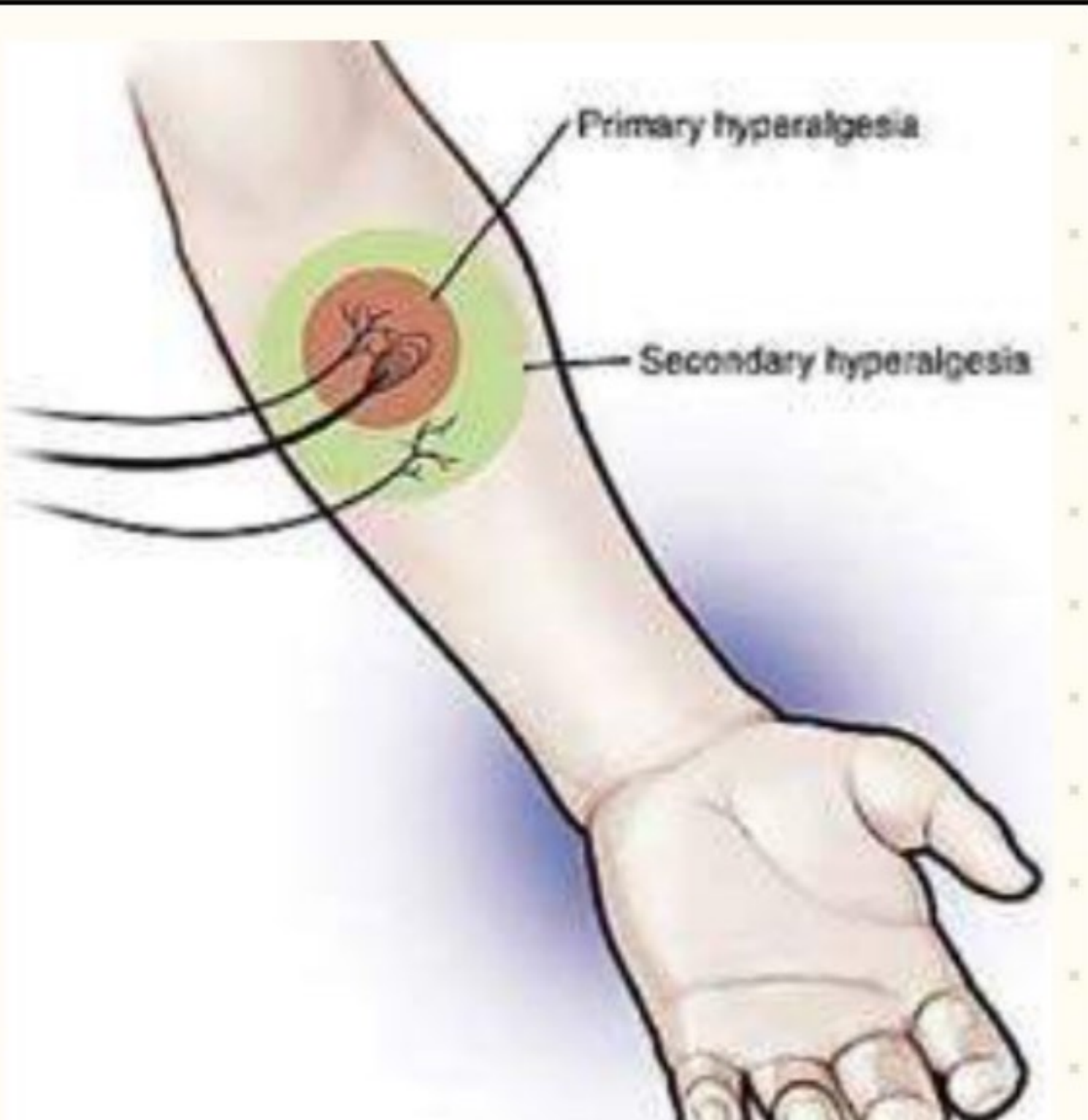
تسبب الحرق

(2) **Secondary hyperalgesia:** This occurs in the healthy skin area beyond primary hyperalgesia. The pain threshold is not lowered in this area but is normal or even elevated. However, the pain aroused from such an area is prolonged and exaggerated. This is explained by the convergence facilitation mechanism, which occurs as follows: The central neurons are facilitated by impulses discharged from the area of injury, and afferent fibers from the area of secondary hyperalgesia converge on the facilitated neurons. Thus the pain aroused in this area becomes exaggerated.

شرح خارجي



\*\* Secondary hyperalgesia can occur in the absence of primary hyperalgesia if there is central facilitation of sensory transmission. This occurs in certain thalamic and spinal cord lesions



Triple response → swell  
redness  
flare (spread of redness)  
↓  
V.D

↓ threshold = firing  
normal & inflamed  
تقلل الحرق  
Normal skin

Substance P also → sensitize nociceptors  
(كيف حفزوا مستقبلات)

local axon reflex : nocio detect pain generate AP

antidromic : signal in nerve end → nerve body (org) → ادعى  
generating substance

## DEEP PAIN:

2

- This originates from **muscles, joints, periosteum**. It initiates reflex contraction of near muscles. Deep pain may result from trauma to the deep structures, **bone fractures**, and **inflammation**, arthritis (inflammation of joints) and **muscle ischemia**.

## ISCHEMIC PAIN

- This occurs due to either a severe muscle **spasm** (cramp) or occlusive vascular disease. A certain metabolite known as the **Lewis P factor** causes pain if it **accumulates** in the muscle. At **rest**, muscle ischemia causes the liberation of a small amount of this factor (due to **damage** of some muscle fibers) that can often be **washed off**, so pain is absent during rest. However on performing an exercise, the P factor is formed in larger amounts that accumulate in the muscle (due to the **impaired blood flow**), leading to pain. Thus, ischemic pain appears only after a **latent period** from the start of exercise. Examples of this pain are (a) **Angina pectoris** and (b) **Intermittent claudication** (severe pain in the muscles of the **lower limbs** during walking that commonly occurs as a result of **vascular occlusive disease**).

تقلصات متقطعة

مع المجهود  
النشاط

=  
↑ Lewis P

تجمع في الدم وأصله في ischemia

= تراكم P = ألم

## VISCERAL PAIN

3

- Pain is almost the only sensation produced from the viscera (since there are only a few thermal and touch receptors and no proprioceptors in the viscera). Most viscera contain only a **few pain receptors**, so **localized damage** does not cause significant pain. However, generalized damage causes significant pain. Also, if a viscus is inflamed, minor stimuli may cause severe pain, a type of primary hyperalgesia. Some viscera are **pain insensitive**, e.g., the **liver tissue**, **lung alveoli**, the **visceral layers** of the **peritoneum**, **pleura**, and **pericardium** (but the **parietal layers** of these membranes are very painful).
- **Characters of visceral pain**: It is frequently **referred** to specific areas in the skin. It is often associated with **sweating**, **nausea**, **parasympathetic effects** (e.g., bradycardia and hypotension), and some somatic effects, e.g., contraction of the near abdominal muscles (known as **guarding** and **rigidity**).

# REFERRED (RADIATING) PAIN

This pain is felt away from its original site. It is most common with visceral pain (deep pain may be referred, but cutaneous pain is not referred). The structure in which pain originates and the structure to which pain is referred develop from the same embryonic segment, and frequently they are far away from each other due to the migration of the various organs during development

same root  
بغضيب

visceral pain  
receptors are widely separated  
صحة يحس في أماكن بعيدة  
عند receptors كيو

## EXAMPLES OF REFERRED PAIN

- (1) Pain of an inflamed gall bladder is transmitted by afferent phrenic nerve fibers, so it is usually referred to the tip of the right shoulder.
- (2) Cardiac pain is usually referred to the left shoulder and inner side of the left arm (less frequently to the right shoulder or the epigastrium).
- (3) Pain from the kidneys and ureters is referred to the testicular region.
- (4) Pain of appendicitis is referred to the umbilical region.

## Radiated vs. Referred

↓  
الألم في مكان  
الاستجابة في مكان آخر  
الألم في مكان آخر  
الاستجابة في مكان آخر  
not only visceral  
referred  
autonomic / somatic  
sensations  
Nausea & vomit  
muscle cont.

عند فحص البطن  
كأنه التهاب المرارة: ألم في  
هيكون متحرك، ألم في  
muscles و referred  
contraction وعامة

\* ألم في skin & viscera يلتقي  
converge in  
the same (SQR)

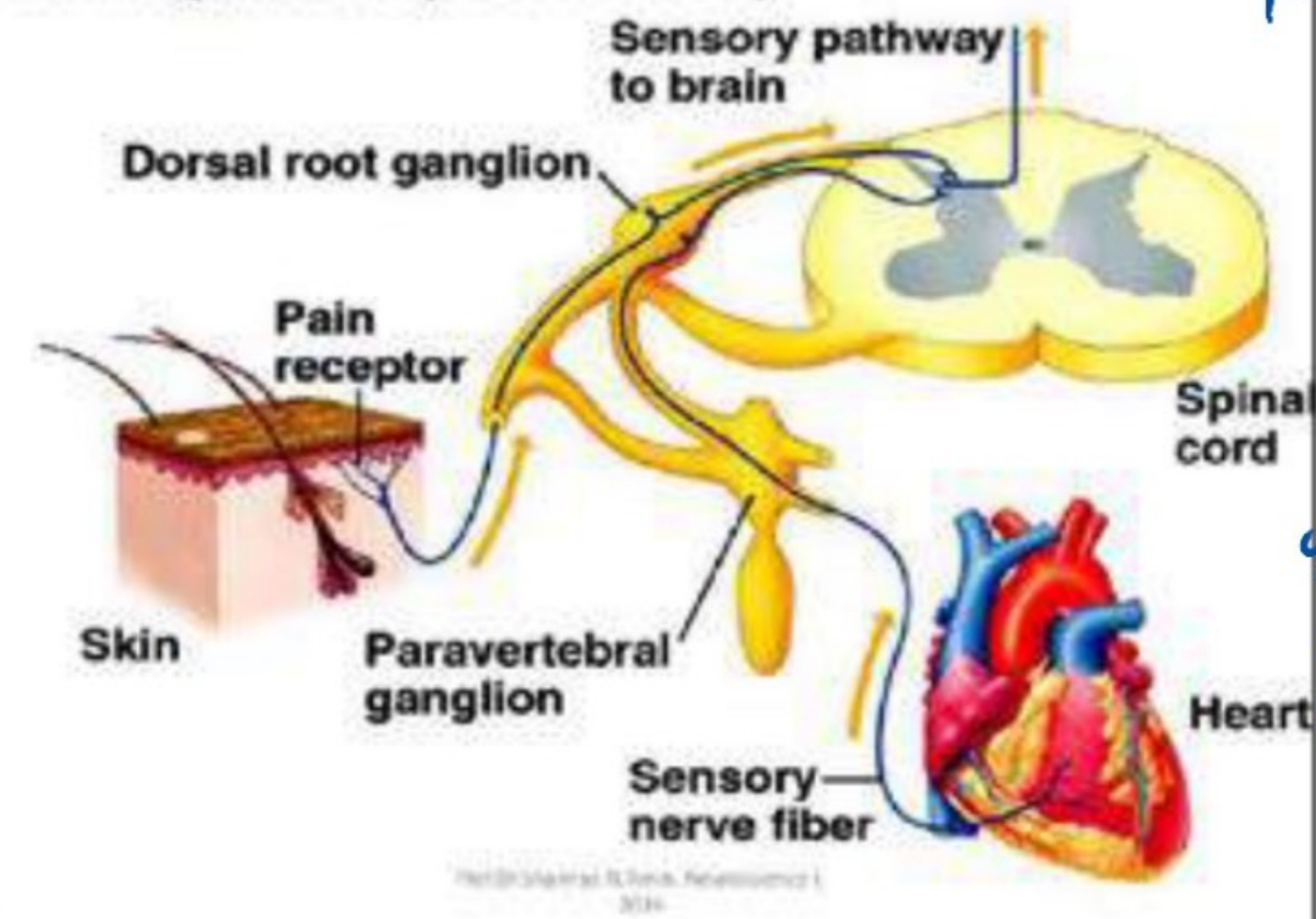
يصلات لنفس ال cortical area  
↓

project pain to skin  
لأنها متعودة دائما  
يبيجى ال stimuli عنها

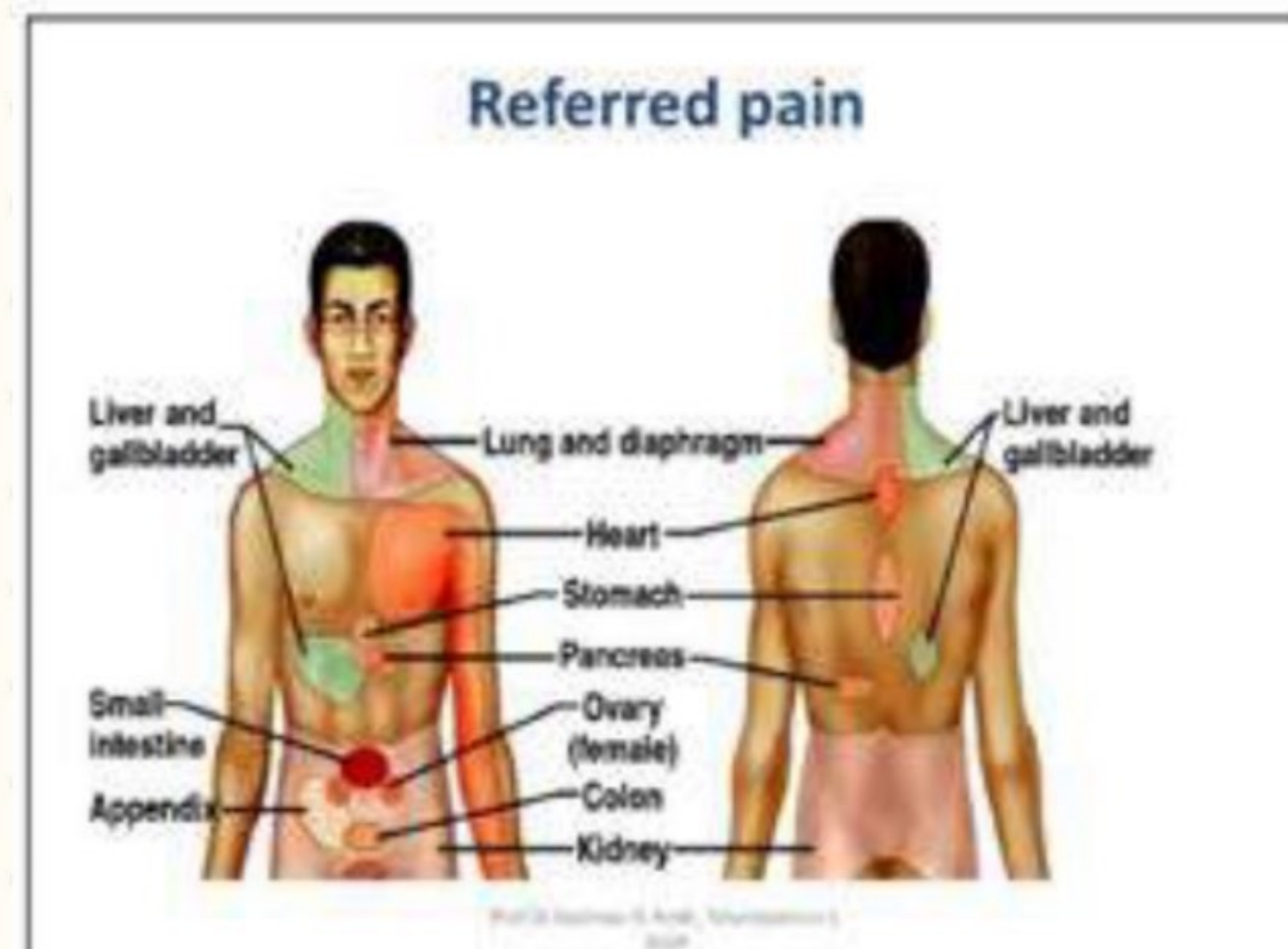
## MECHANISM OF REFERRED PAIN:

The main cause of referred pain is the convergence of peripheral and visceral pain fibers on the same spinothalamic neurons that project to the high centers in the brain (in addition to plasticity in the CNS). It is explained by the convergence projection mechanism as follows: Pain stimuli from a diseased viscus excite the spinothalamic neurons at a certain segment of the spinal cord, which then discharges to the brain. However, pain is projected to the somatic area from which the sensory nerves enter the same spinal segment. Normally, the brain does not receive signals from the viscera, and it is even unaware of their existence.

### Convergence Projection theory



هذه ال theory  
فكرتها انه جوك  
متعود اللم غالباً  
هنا ال skin  
مش قلبك زي  
المدرسي لو صار  
مشكلة بشك بامكانه  
يلجى دائما بفكره  
(ال skin) مش بالقلب  
(قلب) فيجسد  
باللم مثلاً shoulders  
لانه هيك عقلي ترجمه  
+ skin فيه receptors اعتر







# THE PAIN CONTROL ANALGESIA SYSTEM

- This is a specific system that blocks pain transmission in the CNS ( Its major constituents include the following:
  1. The periventricular nuclei in the hypothalamus.
  2. The periaqueductal gray area (PAG) in the midbrain and upper pons.
  3. The raphe Magnus nucleus (RMN) in the lower pons and upper medulla.
  4. pain inhibitory complex (PIC) in the spinal cord's dorsal horns. Certain cortical areas are also involved in the pain analgesia system (especially the limbic association areas), and the principal mediators in this system are the opioid peptides (see next)

## Pain control

endorphins (opioids)

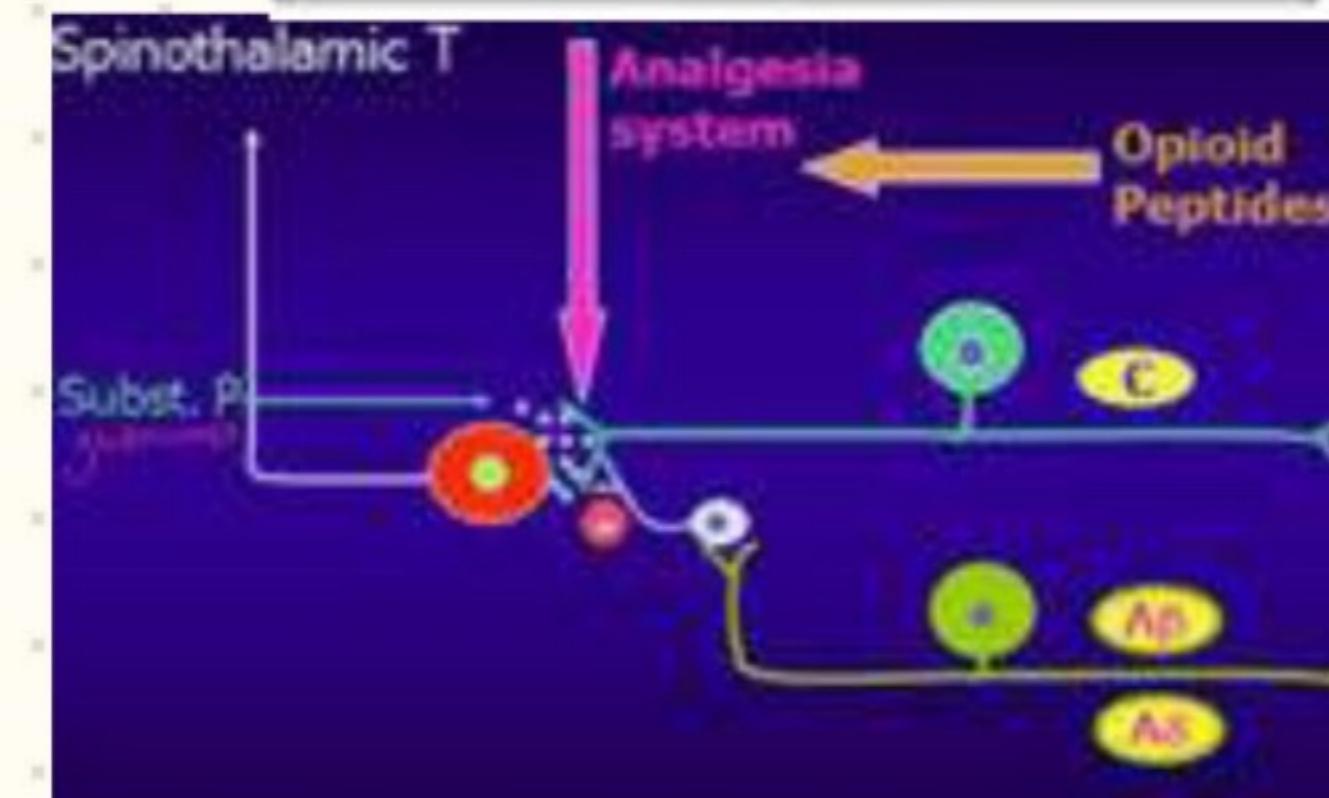
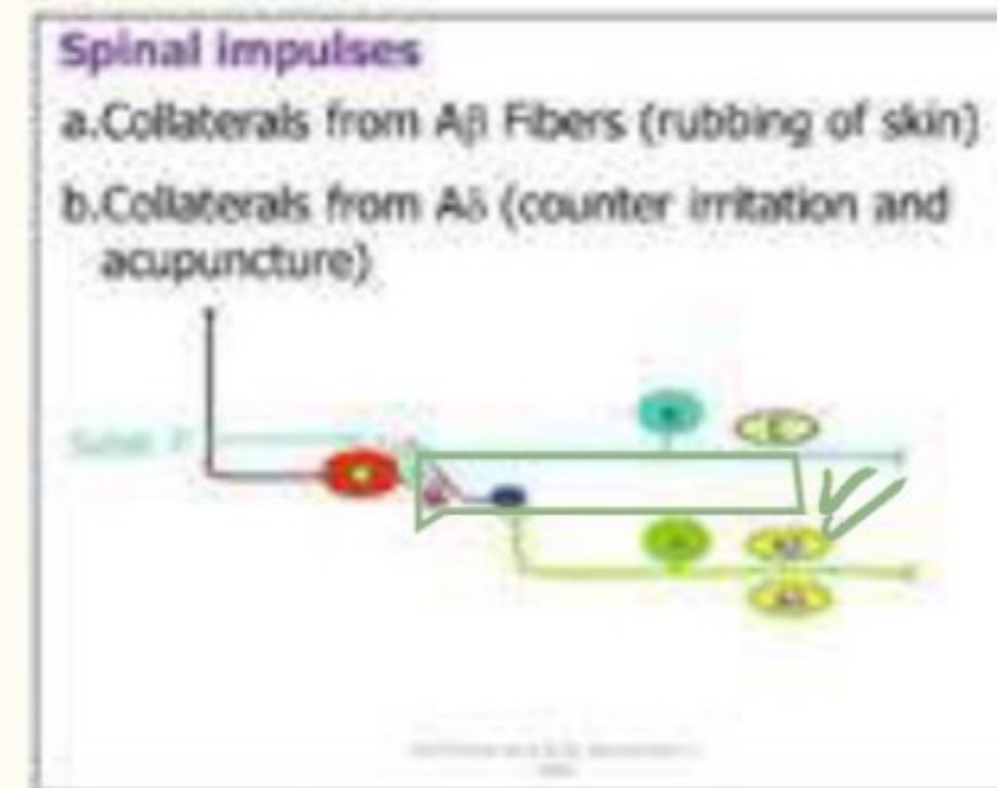
### The gate theory

The dorsal horn cells of the spinal cord, in particular the cells of the SGR, act as a gate for the transmission of pain sensation to the brain

Opening of the gate	Closure of the gate
Impulses in C fibers	Analgesia system
	Opioid peptides
	Impulses in Aβ or Aδ

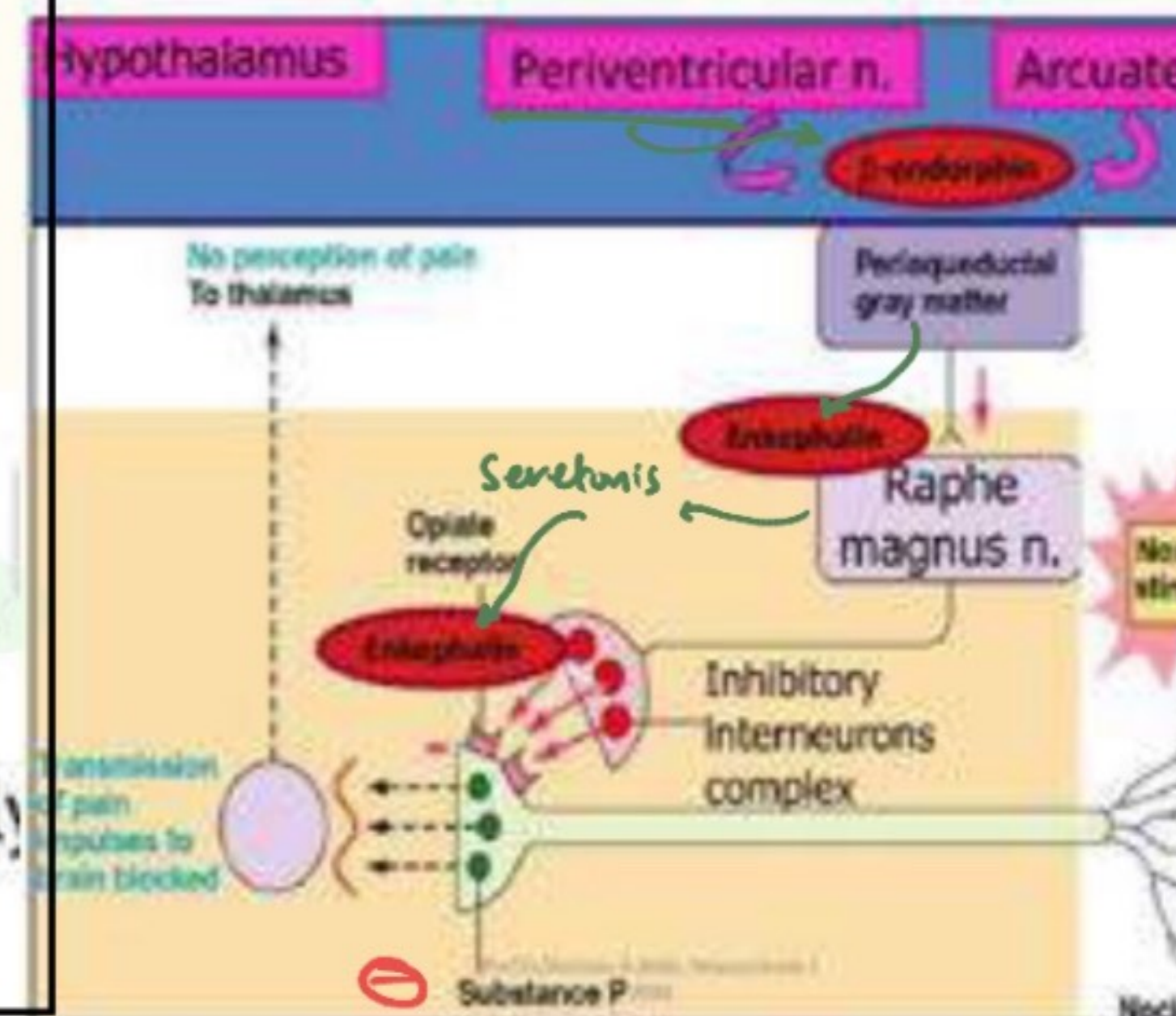
# THE OPIOID PEPTIDES

- These are morphine-like neurotransmitters naturally formed in the body (so they are called the own body's morphine). Morphine (the active substance in opium) is a potent analgesic substance that produces its effect by binding to specific opiate receptors in the nervous system. Similarly, opioid peptides are analgesic substances that act by binding to opiate receptors. The most important opioid peptides include the following:
  - (1) **Enkephalins**: These are 2 types, **met-enkephalins** and **leu-enkephalin**.
  - (2) **Endorphins**: There are several types, the commonest of which is **beta-endorphin**.
  - (3) **Dynorphins** are normally present in minute amounts in the CNS



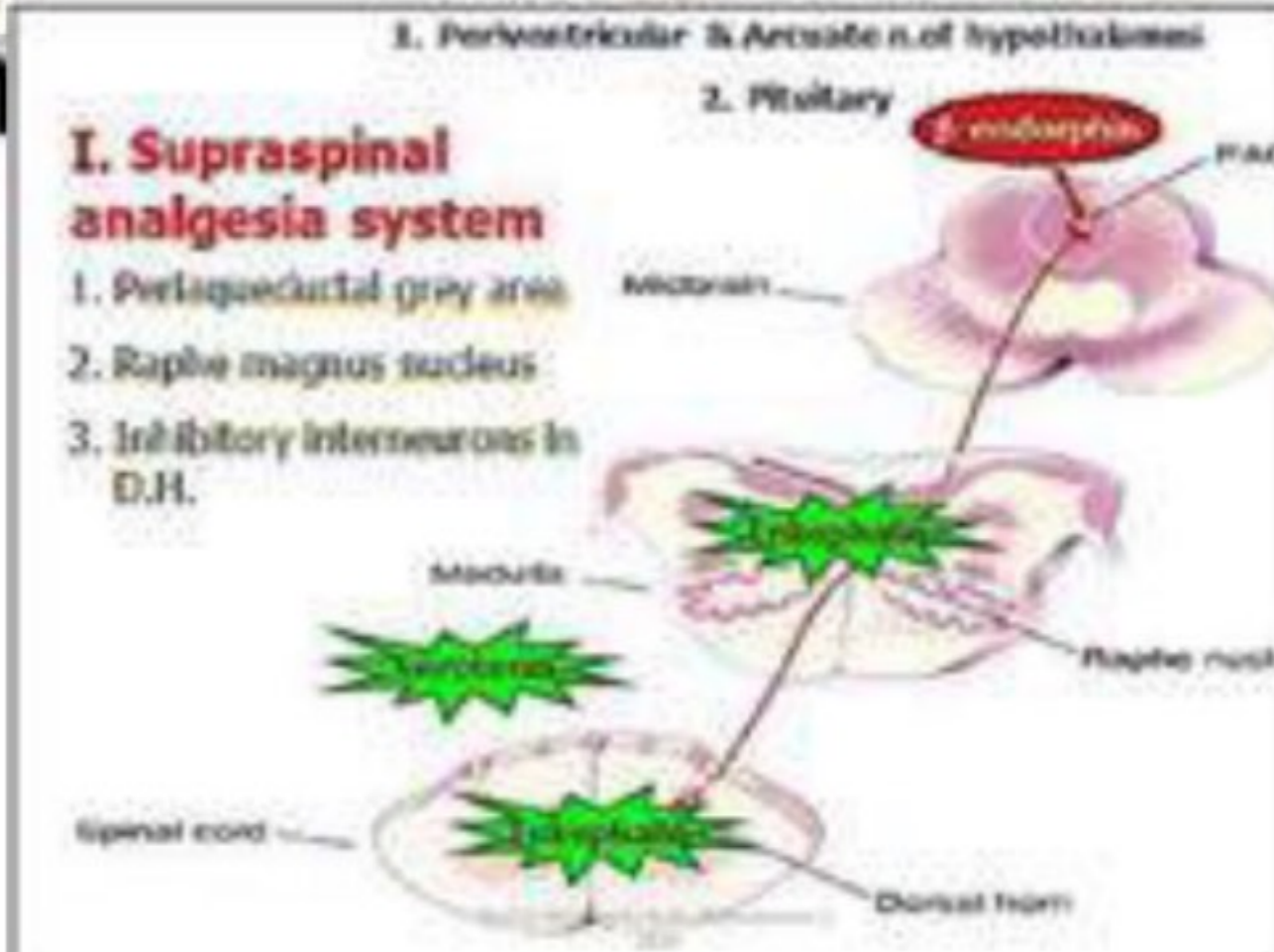
## The opiate receptors

These are 5 types, and they are especially present in the analgesia system and on the central endings of the pain-conducting nerve fibers at the dorsal horns. They can be stimulated both exogenously (by morphine) and endogenously (by the opioid peptides).



# Mechanism of pain control by the analgesia system

- The Gating Theory:** Ronald Melzak and Patrick Wall proposed this theory in 1960. The hypothesis focused on the **interaction of neurons in the dorsal horn** of the spinal cord (Lamina I to IV). The analgesia system produces its effect by stimulating the Pain Inhibitory complex (PIC). The PIC consists of **short enkephalinergic neurons that terminate on the central endings of the pain-conducting afferent nerves**. The released **enkephalin** is believed to cause both **presynaptic and postsynaptic inhibition** of incoming type C and type Aδ pain fibers **where they synapse in the dorsal horns**



- Pain inhibition by this mechanism occurs through the following 2 pathways:

**(A) Peripheral pathway of pain inhibition (spinal inhibition):**

Collaterals from the thick A-beta nerve fibers that transmit mechanoreceptive sensations directly stimulate the PIC. This explains how pain is relieved by counterirritants, mechanical stimuli (e.g. skin rubbing), and acupuncture (see below). Depending on such a mechanism, severe pain can be relieved by electrical stimulation of the thick sensory nerve fibers.

**(B) Central pathway of pain inhibition (supraspinal inhibition):**

Excitation of the hypothalamic periventricular nuclei or certain cortical areas depresses pain as follows:

- (1) The nerve fibers from the hypothalamic or the cortical areas release beta-endorphins, which stimulate the PAG.
- (2) The PAG projects enkephalinergic neurons (i.e. neurons that release enkephalin) that stimulate the raphe Magnus nucleus (RMN).
- (3) The RMN projects serotonergic neurons (i.e., neurons that release serotonin) that block pain signals by activating the PIC.
- It is also probable that the analgesia system can inhibit pain transmission at other points than the PIC, especially at the thalamic intralaminar nuclei and the reticular nuclei in the brain stem.

Pressure  
 مثال واقعي  
 عيونك انكسرت  
 او اخذت عليها  
 قف الدم  
 pre synaptic  
 inhibition  
 center of c  
 ↓  
 substance  
 release

**Stress analgesia:** Certain stress conditions are associated with analgesia e.g. during the stress of a battle, severely-wounded soldiers frequently feel no pain till the battle is over. Such analgesia is produced by impulses discharged from the cerebral cortex and hypothalamus, which excite the central pathway of pain inhibition (see above)

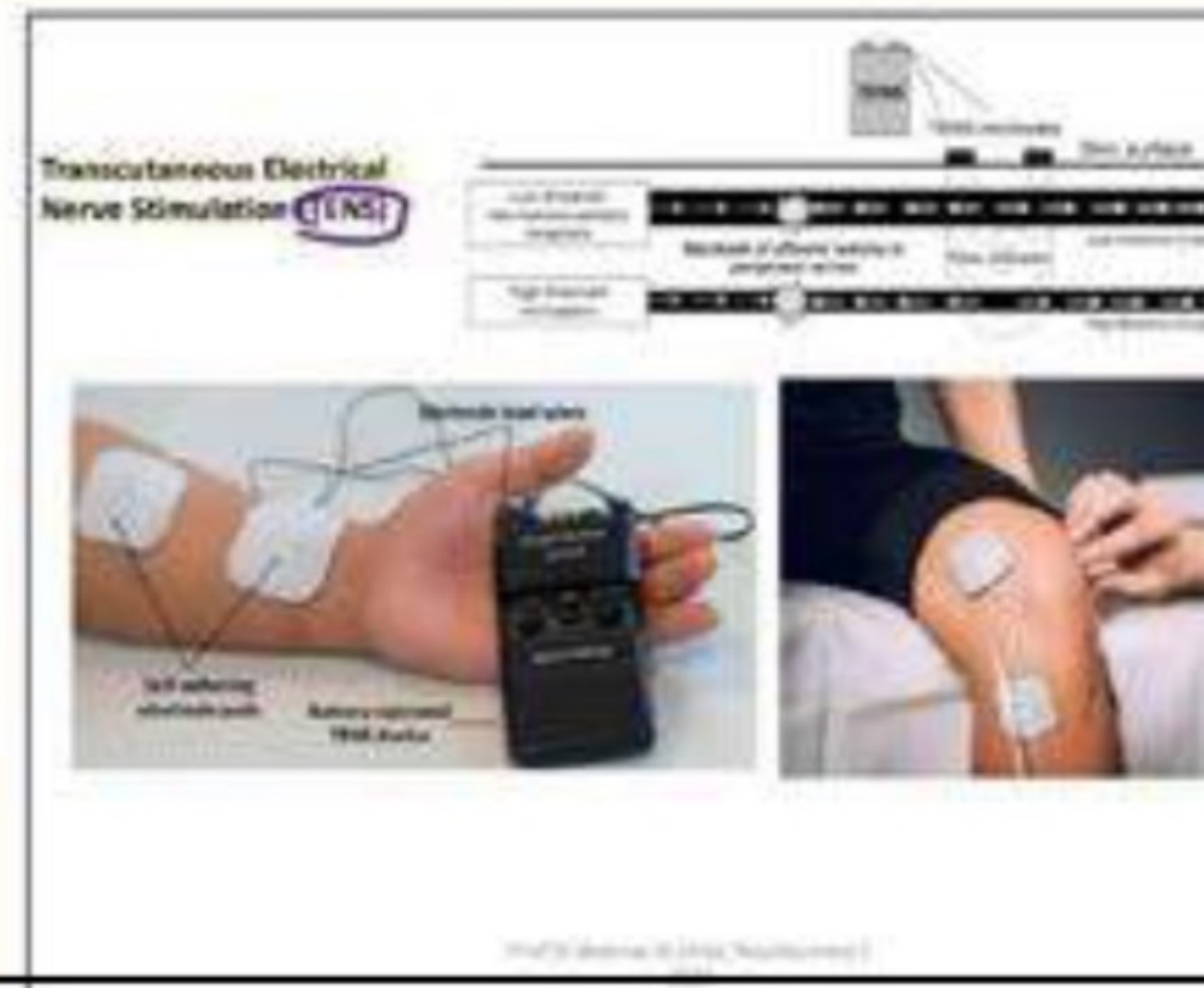
تصل trauma  
 لا يشعرو فينا  
 بعد تاي يوم او  
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 يوم باول يوم stress  
 بمستوى hypoth  
 يكون في  
 endorphins

**Acupuncture:** Acupuncture relieves pain by activating the peripheral pathway of pain inhibition and psychogenic excitation of the central pathway. Both mechanisms lead to stimulation of the PIC in the dorsal horns of the spinal cord, which blocks pain transmission by releasing enkephalins (see above)

الابر الصينية  
 A-delta  
 pricking (fast)  
 pain  
 الكوي من غير ما  
 شمسو

وقت ليس للدراسات اولا ماسكي

**Transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation (TENS)** activates a complex neuronal network to result in a reduction in pain. At frequencies and intensities used clinically, TENS activates large-diameter afferent fibers.



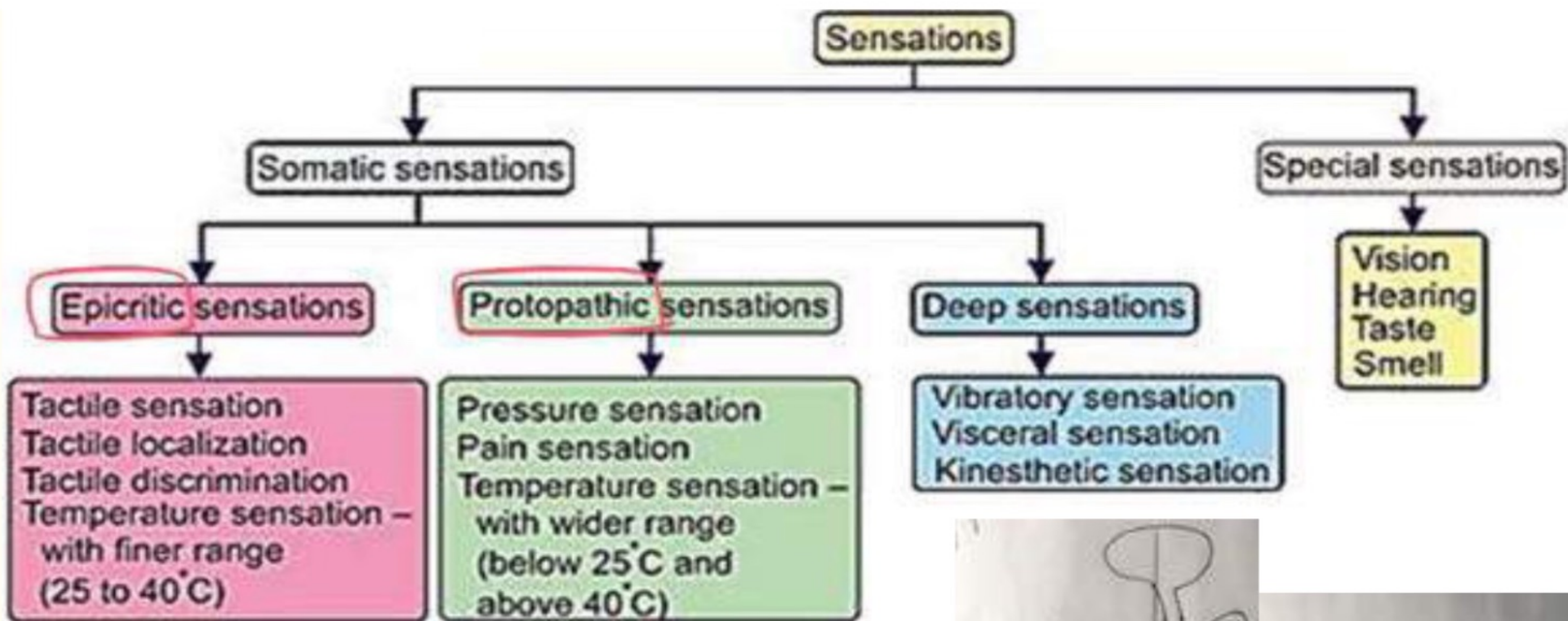
A-beta & delta

mild peripheral ⊕ = ⊕β fibers = صعقات كهربائية منخفضة توضع باليد

لترد → lateral inhibition (inhibitory complex 2<sup>nd</sup> order neuron)

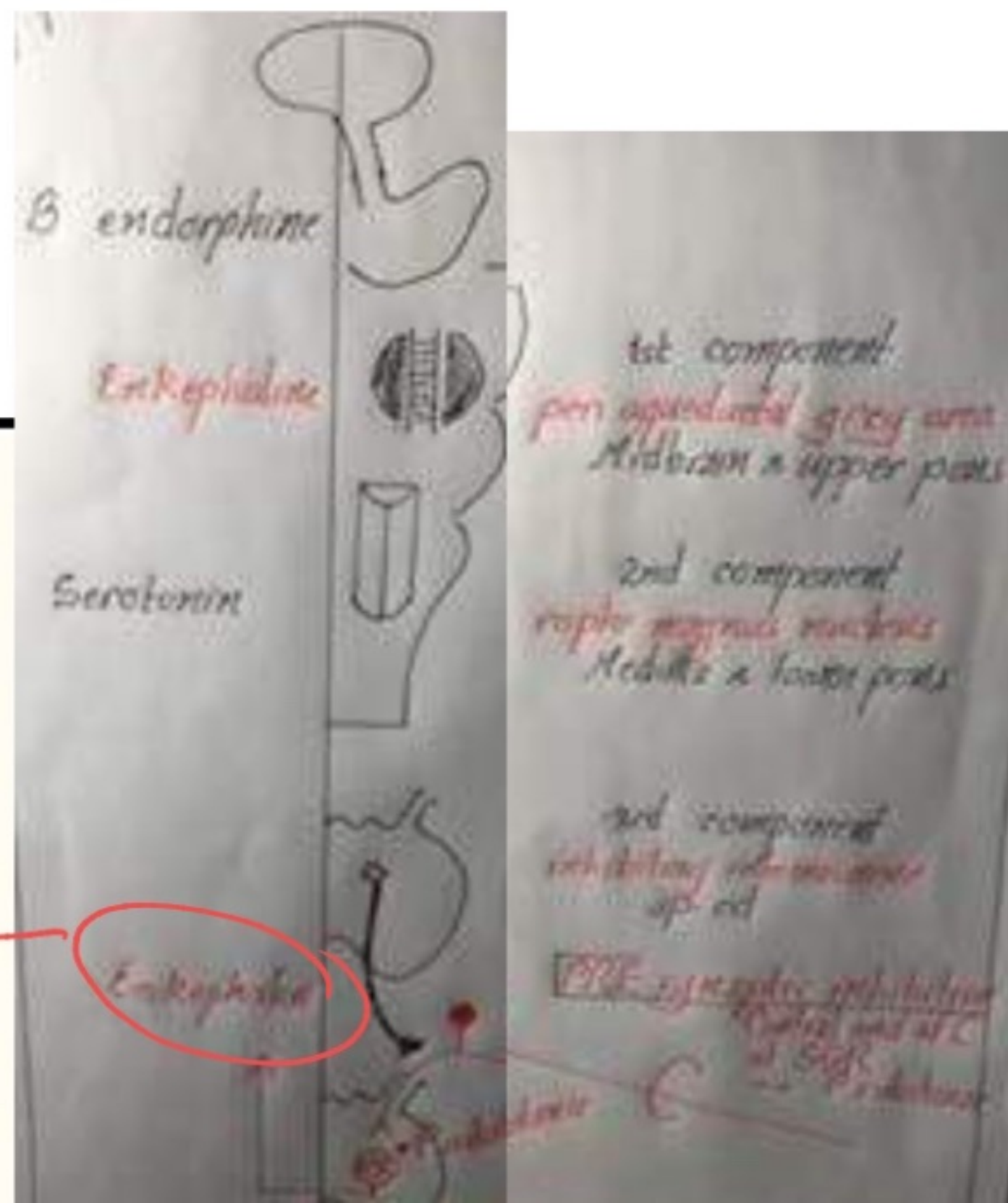
## PROTOPATHIC AND EPICRITIC SENSATIONS

- **1) Protopathic (primitive) sensations:** These are crude sensations that are perceived at a subcortical level (mainly at the thalamus). They include gross movements ("joints, crude pain and tactile sensations and extremes of temperature.
- **(2) Epicritic (cortical) sensations:** These are fine sensations perceived in the cortical sensory areas, e.g. tactile localization and discrimination, stereognosis, and fine grades of temperature. These sensations are well localized.



Fine localized cortex

crude



الوصيد العنقودي ←

Enkephaline