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### **Artificial Insemination**

# Male reproduction organs



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### Male reproduction organs

- Gonads the testes
- The tubular genital tract pathway for sperm cells and semen, accessory glands (seminal vesicles, prostate, bulbourethral glands)

#### **Function**

- Sperm cells production
- Transfer of the semen to the female
- Male sex hormons production

#### **Parts**

- Testes
- Epididymis
- Ductus deferens
- Accessory glands
- Penis
- Scrotum
- Praeputium

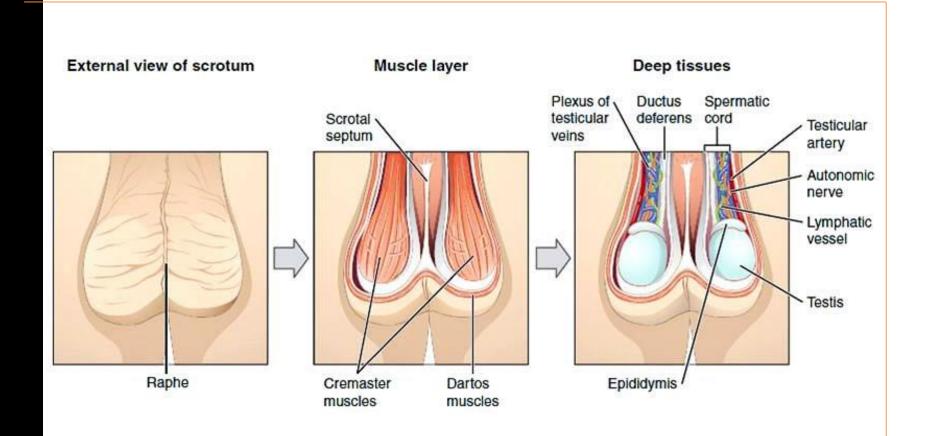
#### Scrotum

- The skin pouch for carrying testicles, epididymis, ductus deferens
- Sus, Ca caudal area
- Bo, Eq pubic area
- Abdominal protrusion similar architecture to abdominal wall

### Scrotal anatomy

- SKIN fine haired (Cap, Ov thick haired)
- TUNICA DARTOS elastic fibers layer and smooth muscle cells, creates medial septum, reacts to external tempearture changes, keeps inner temperature 3-4 °C lower than body temperature
- TUNICA VAGINALIS peritoneal protrusion
- INGUINAL RING connection to abdomen
- LIGAMENTUM TESTIS pulls testes to scrotum for optimal spermatogenesis

#### Scrotum



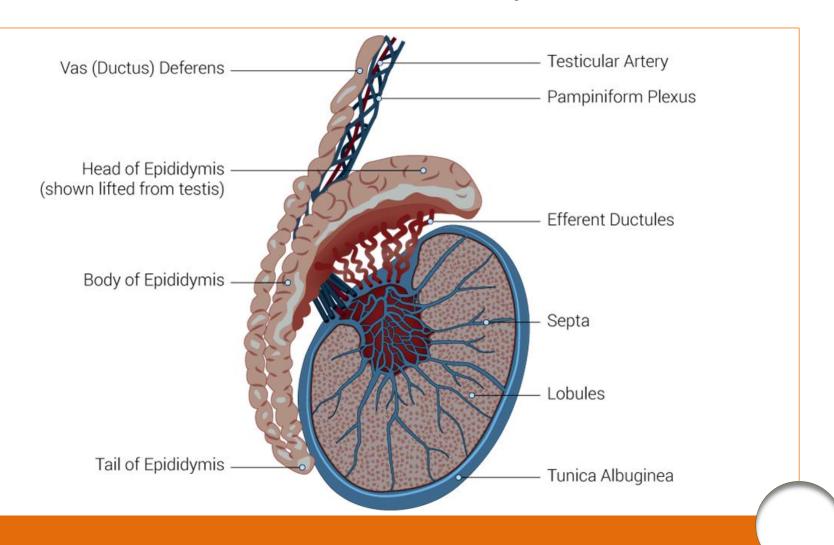
### Testes (Orchis in Greek)

- Pair male gland
- Spermatogenesis stimulated by FSH, augmented by testosterone
- Secretion of steroid hormones Leydig cells influence of LH, testosterone
- TESTOSTERON development and function of accessory glands, copulatory organs, male sex characteristic and behavior, photoperiod affects steroidogenesis and spermatogenesis

#### Testes - evaluation

- Representative semen samples and hormone assays
- Palpation, adspection and measurement of testicles helps predict potentioal sperm output and may reveal pathologic conditions

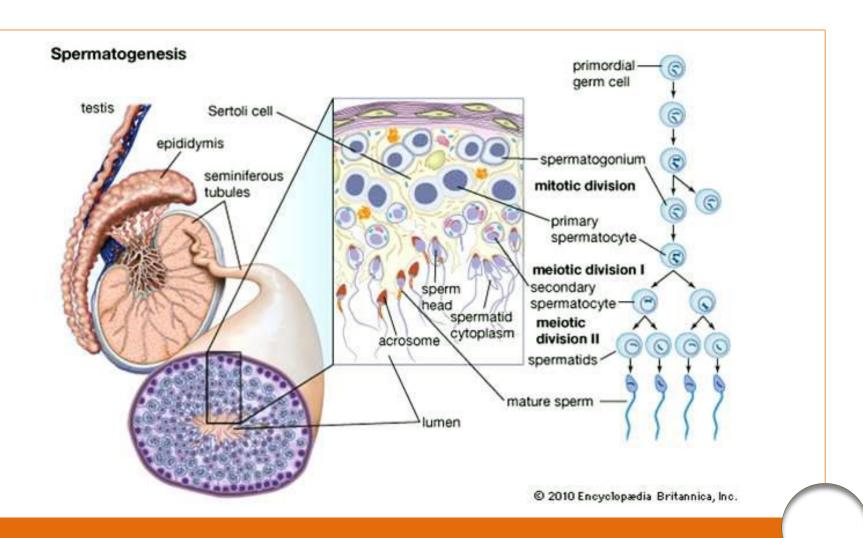
# Testical anatomy



### Testical anatomy

- TUNICA ALBUGINEA crates pyramidal lobules in testical tissue, thick fiber layer
- Each lubulus contains 2-3 curled up seminiferous tubules (spermatogenesis) with Leydig cells among them
- After 5-8 cms it straight up and flows to epididymis

#### **SPERMATOGENESIS**



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- Only in seminiferous tubules
- Origin in germinative epitel of tubules
- Reproduction, growth, maturing, transformation

# The male tubular genital tract

- Begins in testicles as efferent ductules
- Head, body and tail of epididymis
- Ductus deferens ascends into abdominal cavity via inguinal ring, passes the dorsal aspect of the bladder to enter the pelvic urethra
- Pelvic and penile urethra is shared for outlet for urine and semen

## **Epididymis**

- Connected to testicles by ligamentum epididymidis
- Storage, maturity and selective absorption of sperms
- Head efferent tubules from testicles
- Body
- Tail
- total length of ductus in bovine epididymis is 50 meters

#### **Ductus** deferens

- it contains many accessory glands in proximal part
- Smooth muscle cells in the wall peristaltic waves during ejakulation

### Spermatic cord

- Ductus deferens
- Smooth muscle musculus cremaster
- Artery
- Vein
- Inervation
- Lymphatic vessel
- in inguinal ring

### Accessory sex glands

- Contribute to the formation of seminal plasma
- Secrets provide optimal conditions for sperm cells in the urethra and in the vagina
- Nutrition for sperm cells
- SEMINAL VESICLES
- PROSTATA
- BULBOURETHRAL (Cowper's) GLANDS

#### Seminal vesicles

- The largest
- On the dorsal aspect of a bladder
- Alcalic pH, ionts, glucose
- Sperm cell nutrition
- In the end of ejakulation
- Not in dogs

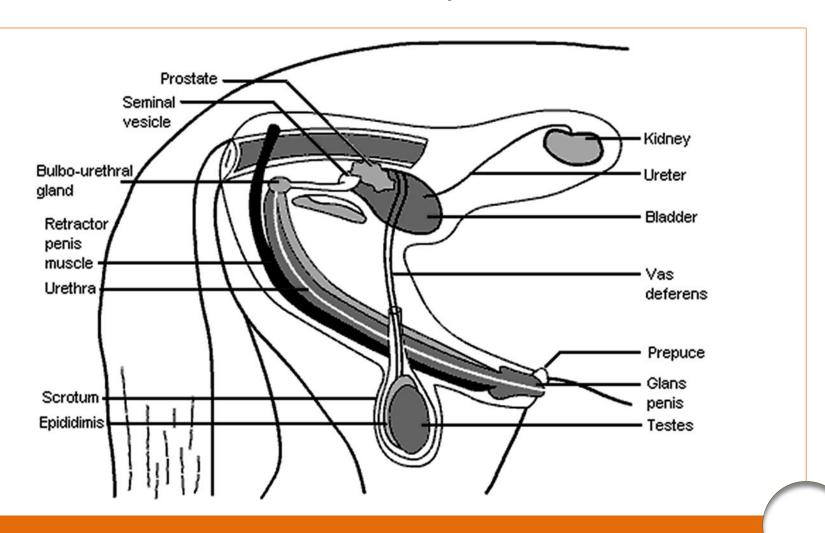
#### **Prostata**

- On a bladder cervix
- 2 symetrical parts
- Enters uretra by two ducts
- Secret is "milky", watery, highly alcalic
- Neutralization of low pH in vagina

### Bulbourethral glands

- Cowper's glands
- Situated on urethra when leaving pelvic space
- Two parts species dependent
- Thick secret to smooth urethra and to elevate its pH

# Anatomy

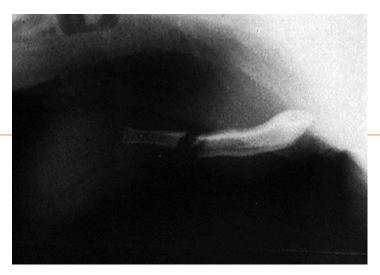


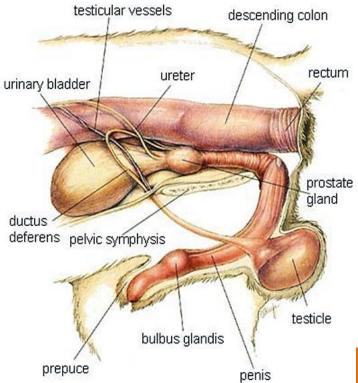
#### **Penis**

- Copulation organ
- For inserting semen to female
- Special structure to be able to enlarge, to get straight during sexual irritation
- CORPUS CAVERNOSUM errectile unit, sponge like, fibrous case, able to be filled by blood, two branches leading from ischiadic bones, ventral sulcus for urethra

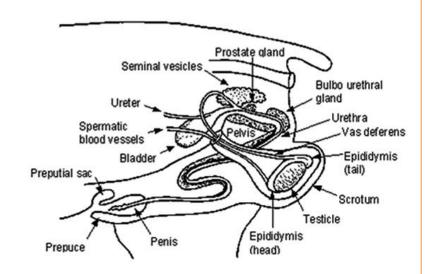
#### **Penis**

- Equine strong penis, 0,5 m long, large glans
- Bovine cylindrical, fibroelastic, S-shaped during erection straightens, 1 m long, small glans
- Swine no glans, S-shaped, screw end
- Ram S-shape, extra urethral end
- Dog os penis









#### Praeputium

- Skin cover for retracting penis
- Mucous membrane with numerous sebaceal glands producing SMEGMA – sharp odour secret

#### Semen

- Sperm cells + secrets of accessory glands
- Epitelial cells, leukocytes
- 90-98% is water
- Feromones
- lons
- Evaluation: composition, sperm vitality, sperm cell count, concentration
- Nutrition, age, housing, exercise, using in reproduction

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