

ANIMAL BIOLOGY LABORATORY  
Lab 6: Phyla Mollusca and Annelida (Kingdom Animalia)

*Read pages 105-106 and 120-121 in your lab manual before coming to lab.*

**Objectives:**

- Recognize the basic structure and organization of molluscs.
- Compare and contrast filter-feeding and predatory molluscs.
- Recognize and distinguish between annelid classes and subclasses.
- Compare and contrast free-living aquatic, free-living terrestrial and ectoparasitic annelids.

**Phylum Mollusca**

- Four major morphological features:
- Shell
  - Mantle
  - Visceral mass
  - Foot

*Exercise 9A: Bivalve Anatomy*

**Freshwater Clam (*Anodonta*) Dissection**

(see instructions on pages 106-113; Figs. 9.2, 9.3, 9.4, 9.5, 9.6, and 9.7)

**Class Bivalvia** (clams, oysters, mussels)

- Marine and freshwater
- Body compressed between two hinged shells

**Identify** the following body regions:

- Cranial
- Caudal
- Dorsal
- Ventral

**Identify** the following structures:

- Incurrent siphon
- Foot
- Digestive gland
- Shell
- Umbo
- Stomach
- Mantle
- Labial palps
- Mouth
- Gills
- Adductor muscles
- Gonad
- Excurrent siphon
- Visceral mass
- Intestine

***Review Questions***

All questions pp. 109-113

*Exercise 9C: Cephalopod Anatomy*

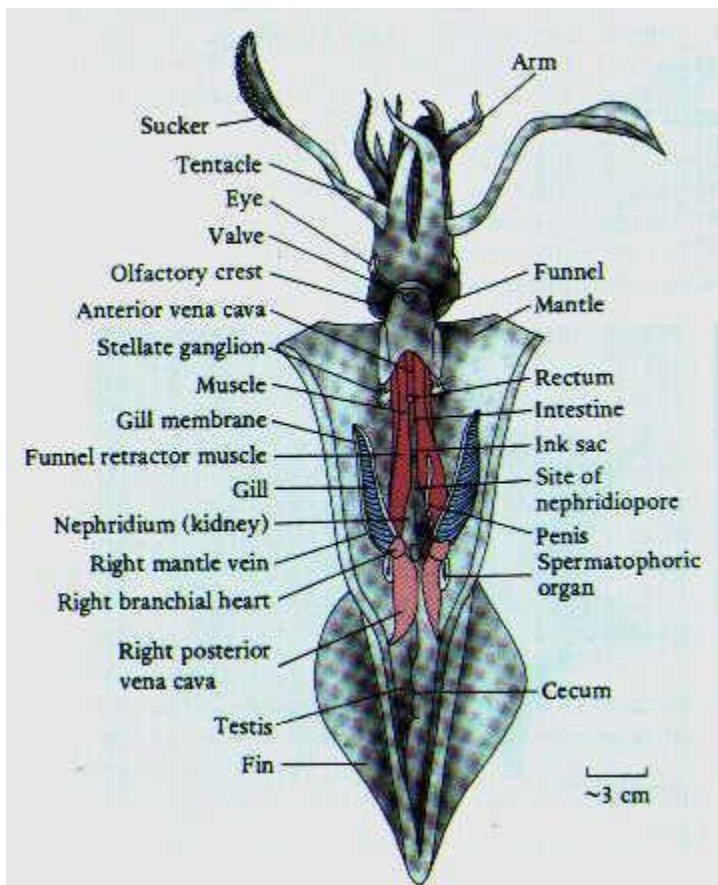
**Class Cephalopoda**

- Marine predators
- Foot separated into tentacles and arms
- Well-developed eyes

**Identify** the following structures:

- Collar
- Eyes
- Digestive cecum
- Branchial hearts
- Tentacles
- Fins muscles
- Mantle
- Arms
- Siphon retractor
- Siphon
- Gills
- Anus
- Ink sac

*Lab Manual:* pp. 116-119; Fig. 9.13 & Figure below.



Why do cephalopods have more sensory structures than bivalves?

**Observe the additional preserved specimens on display and answer the following questions.**

What are similarities and differences among the nautilus, octopus and squid?

What features of the chiton reflect living in the intertidal zone?

What problems are faced by terrestrial gastropods?

**Phylum Annelida** (sandworms, earthworms, leeches)

- Segmented worms
- True coelom
- Closed circulatory system
- Complete digestive tract

**Class Polychaeta**

- Many chaete
- Parapodia
- Well developed head
- No clitellum
- Mostly marine

*Exercise 10A: Polychaete (Nereis) Anatomy*

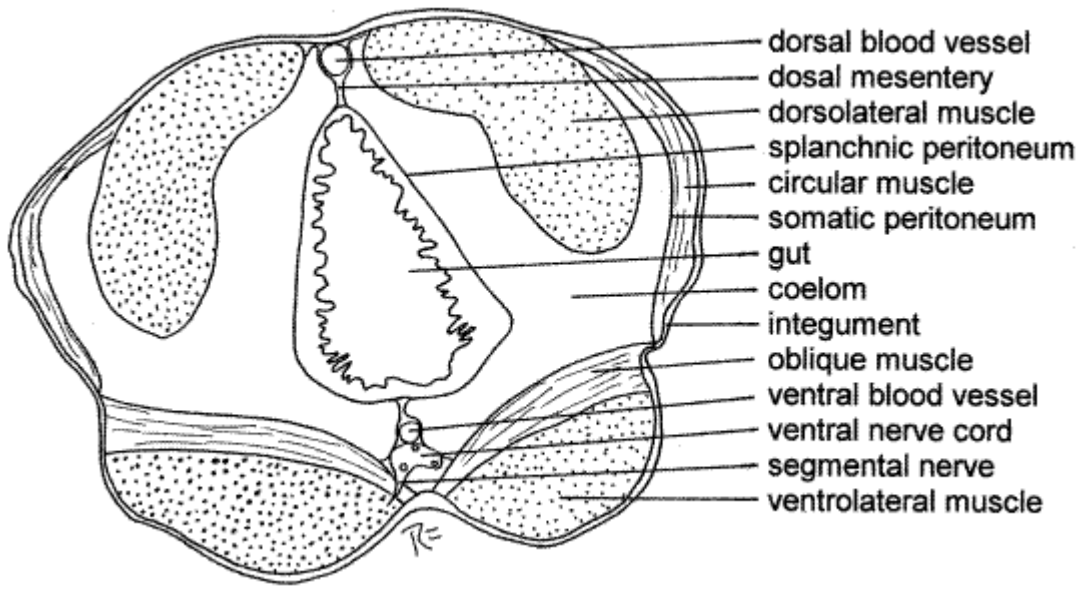
*Nereis*: preserved specimen (Fig. 10.1)

**Identify** the following structures:

- Head
- Tentacles
- Parapodia
- Setae

*Nereis*: cross-section slide (*see figure below*) **Identify** the following structures:

- Dorsal blood vessel
- Coelom
- Intestine
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**Review Questions**

All questions p. 122

*Exercise 10B: Oligochaete (Lumbricus) Anatomy*  
**Earthworm Dissection**

(see instructions: pg. 123-129)

**Class Clitellata Subclass Oligochaeta**

- Clitellum present
- Few setae
- No parapodia
- Mostly terrestrial and freshwater

*Lumbricus*: dissection (Figs. 10.3 & 10.4)

**Identify** the following structures:

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|-------------|-------------|--------------------|
| • Mouth     | • Crop      | • Seminal vesicles |
| • Clitellum | • Gizzard   | • Nephridia        |
| • Pharynx   | • Intestine | • Septa            |
| • Esophagus | • Hearts    |                    |

*Lumbricus*: cross-section slide (Fig. 10.5)

**Identify** the following structures:

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|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| • Dorsal blood vessel | • Ventral nerve cord | • Longitudinal muscles |
| • Intestine           | • Epidermis          | • Ventral blood vessel |
| • Coelom              | • Circular muscles   |                        |

### Review Questions

All Questions p. 123-128

### Class Clitellata Subclass Hirudinea

- Many annuli
- Clitellum present
- No setae
- No parapodia
- Anterior and posterior suckers

### Exercise 10C: Hirudinea Anatomy and Locomotion

Leech: preserved specimen (Figs. 10.6 & 10.7)

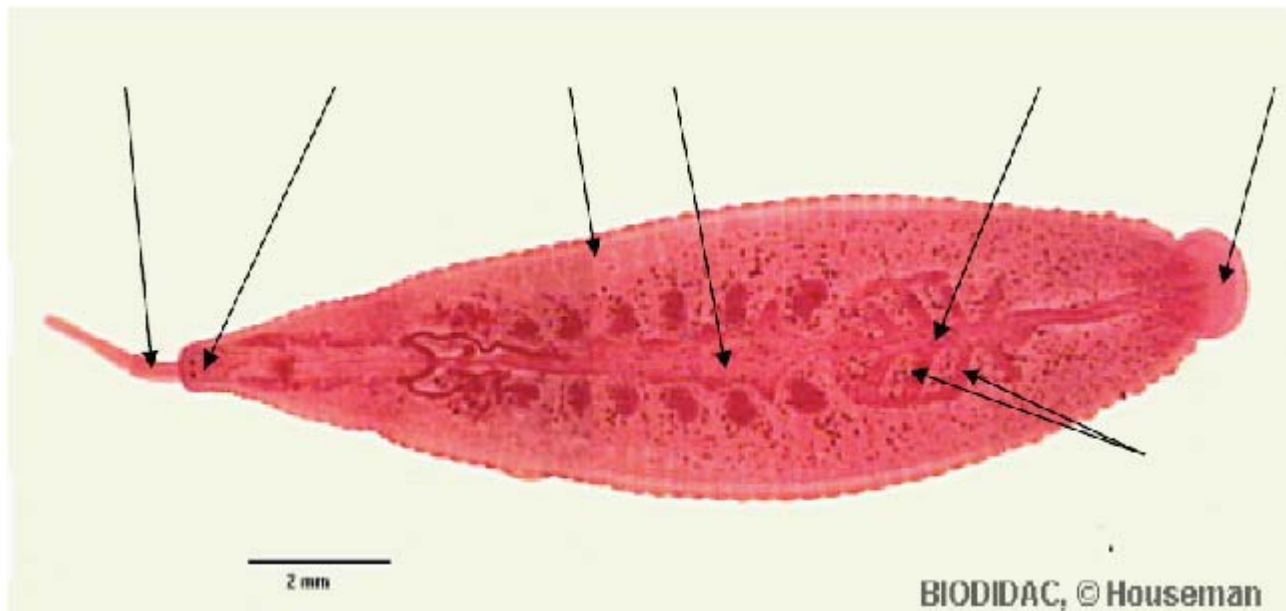
**Identify** the following structures:

- Anterior sucker
- Posterior sucker
- Segments

Leech: whole mount slide (Fig. 10.7)

**Identify** the following structures and label the image below:

- Anterior sucker
- Posterior sucker
- Intestine
- Crop
- Coelom
- Intestinal ceca
- Proboscis



What is the function of the large crop?

### Review Questions

All questions p. 131

\* Read pages 135-140; 141; 153; 155 in your lab manual before coming to lab next week.