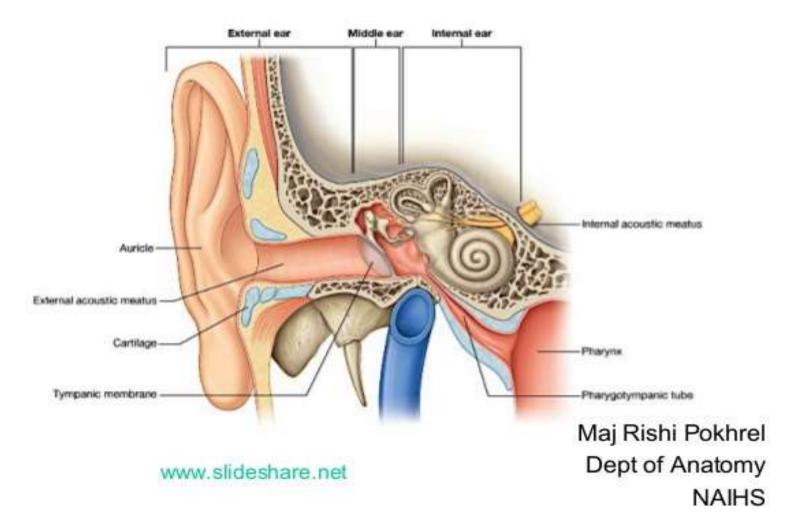
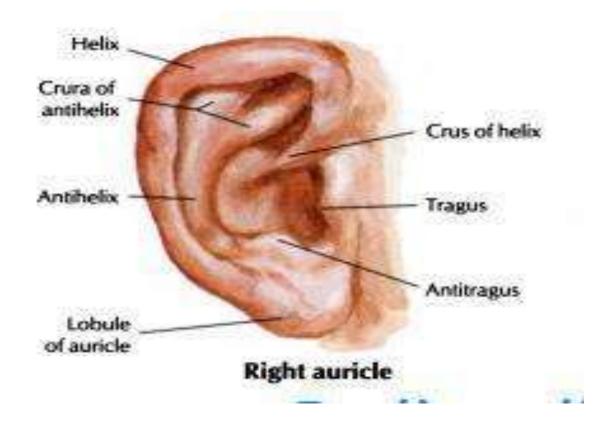
EAR AND AUDITORY PATHWAY



The Auricle: helix, crus of helix, tragus, lobule, antihelix, triangular fossa, antitragus, concha, Ext. aud. Canal opening



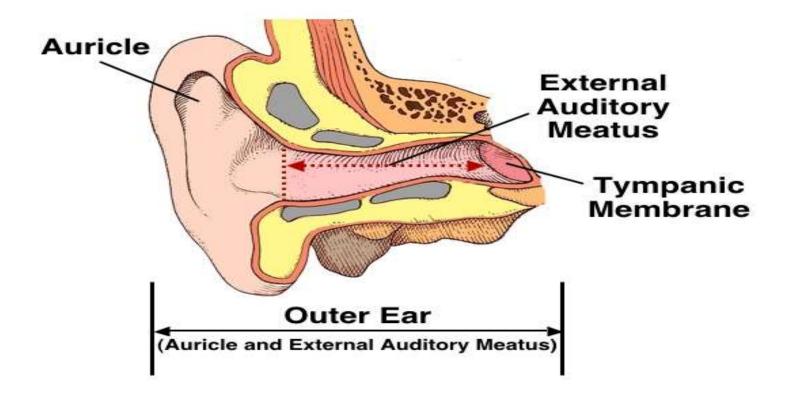
The External Auditory Canal (EAC): 24 mm

1-Outer 1/3: Cartilaginous part: hair follicles, sebaceous glands,

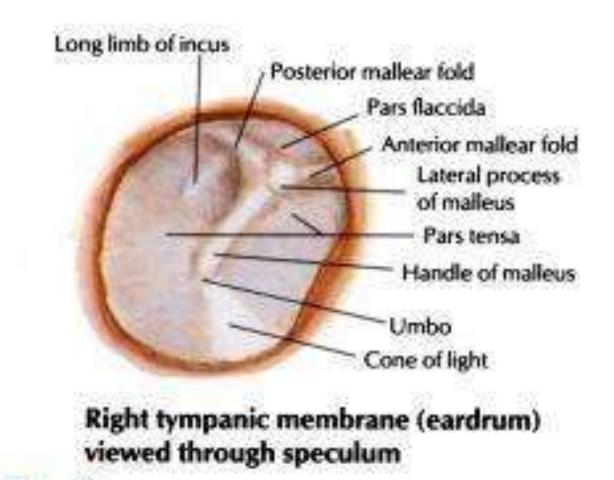
cerumen glands

The wax: is hydrophobic, acidic & with antibacterial properties,

the epithelium of the EAC has the capacity to migrate. 2- Inner 2/3: Bony part



THE TYMPANIC MEMBRANE (TM)



NERVE SUPPLY OF EXTERNAL EAR: •

- 1. Auriculo-temporal nerve (V3) •
- 2. Greater Auricular (C2, 3) •
- 3. Lesser Occipital (C2) •
- 4. Arnold`s nerve (X)
- 5. Facial nerve (sensory twigs) •

BLOOD SUPPLY OF EXTERNAL EAR: branches of • external carotid artery

Venous drainage: to posterior auricular & • superficial temporal veins

Lymphatic drainage: to pre-auricular, infra- • auricular & mastoid lymph nodes.

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THE MIDDLE EAR CLEFT •

Comprises of: •

1. Middle Ear Proper •

2. Aditus & Mastoid Antrum and Mastoid air • cells

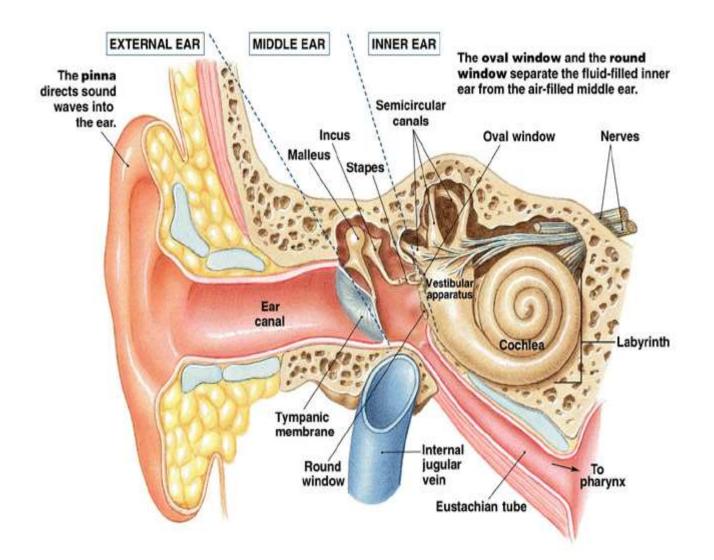
3. Eustachian Tube •

Upper 1/3: Bony •

Lower 2/3: Cartilaginous •

THE MIDDLE EAR PROPER: a box of 6 walls, is an air-containing space with bony walls except laterally by TM.

Lateral, medial, anterior, posterior, superior, inferior boundieries



Sensory nerve supply of the middle ear: •

Jocobson`s nerve, a branch of IX (Glossopharyngeal • nerve),

Motor supply of middle ear muscles: by V & VII • cranial nerves.

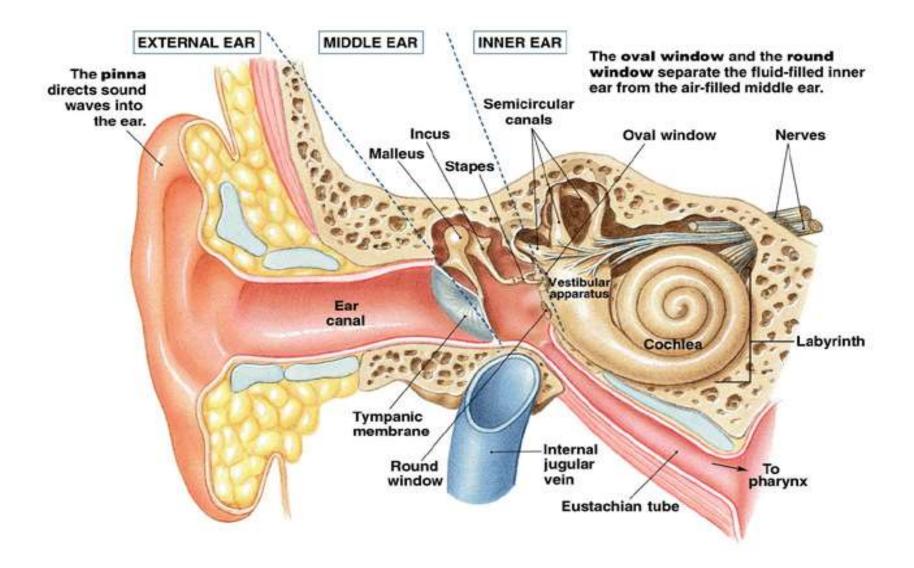
<u>Arterial supply of middle ear</u>: from branches of • external & internal carotid arteries

<u>Venous drainage</u>: to pterygoid plexus or superior • petrosal

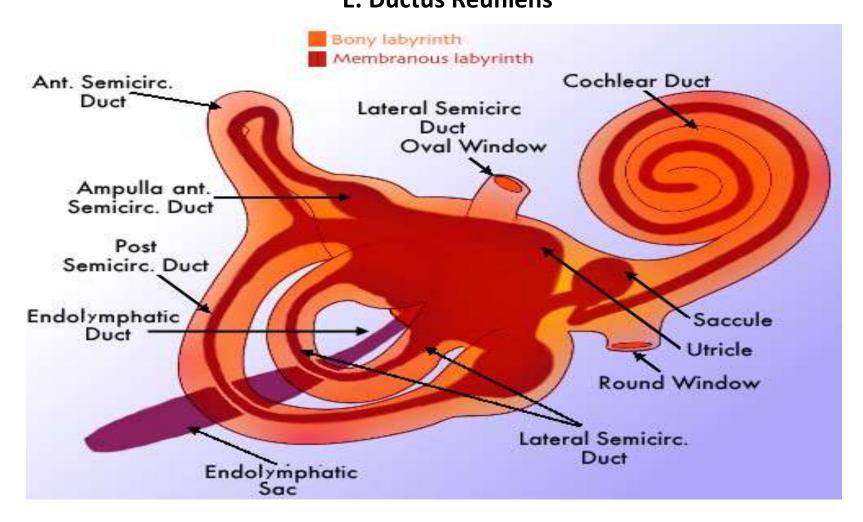
sinus •

<u>Lymphatics</u>: to retropharyngeal lymph node •

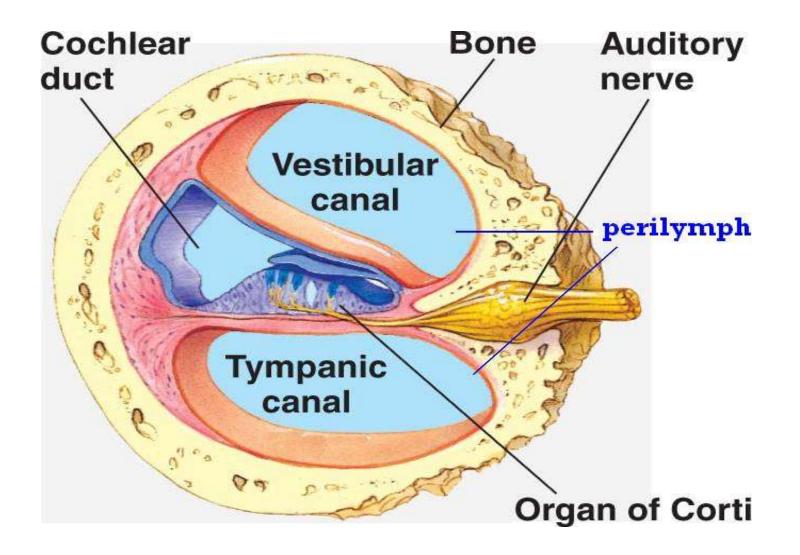
Inner ear 1. Bony Labyrinth :comprises of A. Bony Semicircular Canals (SCCs), B. vestibule, C. Cochlea



 Membranous Labyrinth: comprises of
A. Membranous SCCs, B. Utricle & Saccule, C. Cochlear Duct – triangular in cross section (Organ of Corti), D. Endolymphatic Duct & Sac, E. Ductus Reuniens



Organ of corti



Hearing

