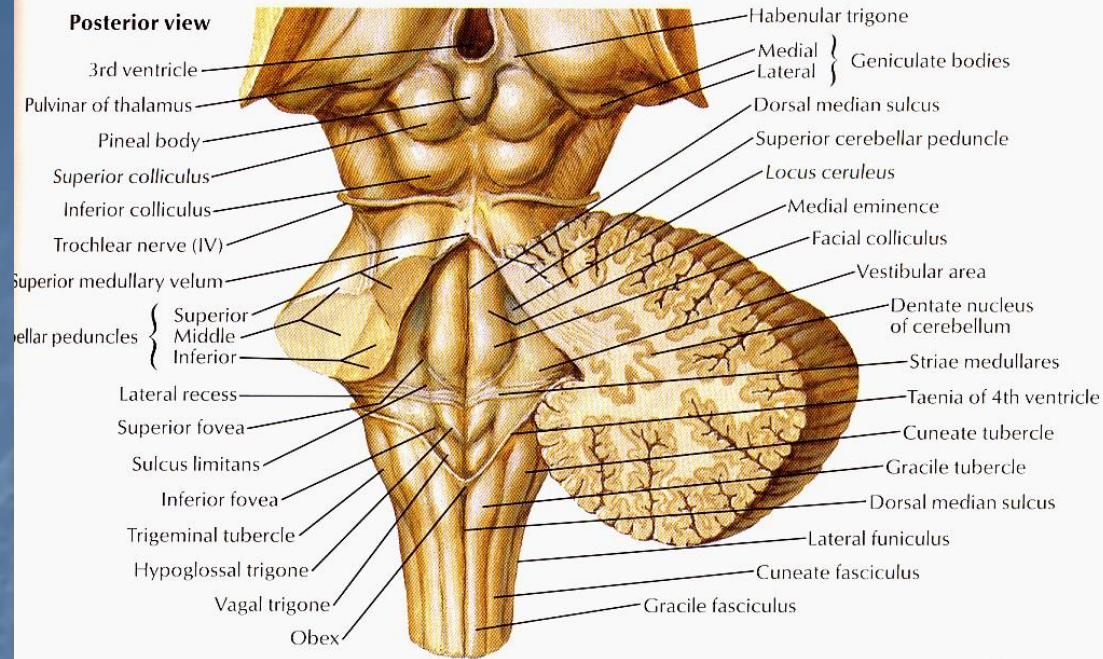


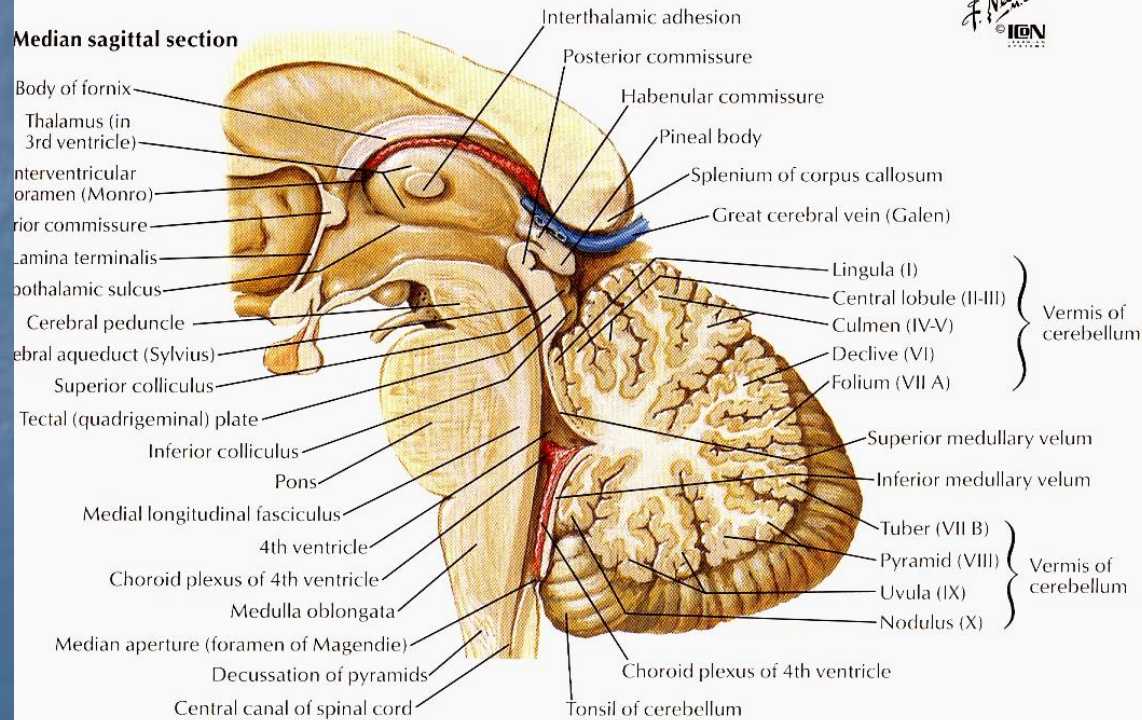
# CEREBELLUM

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**Posterior view**

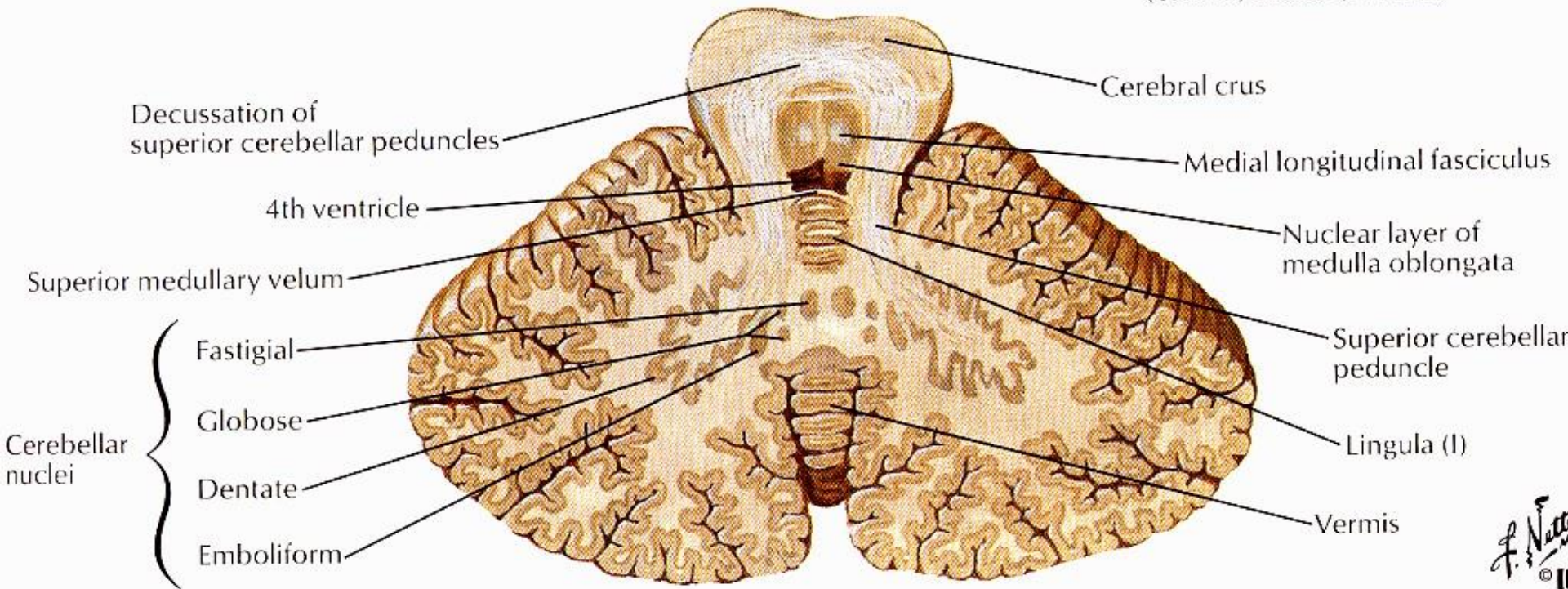


**Median sagittal section**



# Cerebellar folia

Cortex, subcortical white matter, nuclei



**Excessive folding of the cerebellar surface (cortex)**

# The cerebellum – relations and structure

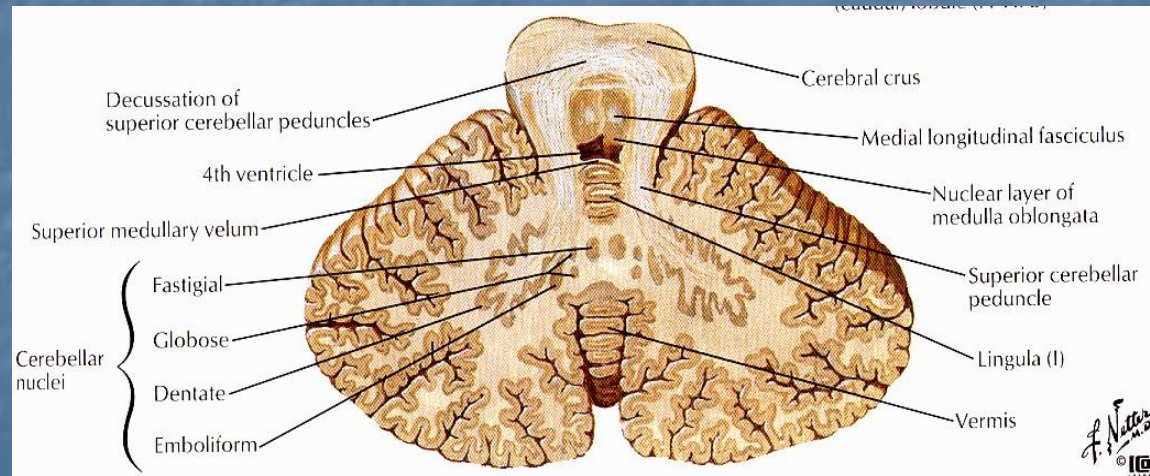
- Located in the posterior cranial fossa
- Connected with the brain stem by peduncles (inferior, middle, superior)
- Is covered by the cerebellar cortex (3 layers). Cortex is extensively folded (folia-oriented mediolaterally)
- In the white matter are the cerebellar nuclei

Fossa cranii posterior

Pedunculi cerebellares (inferior, medius, superior)

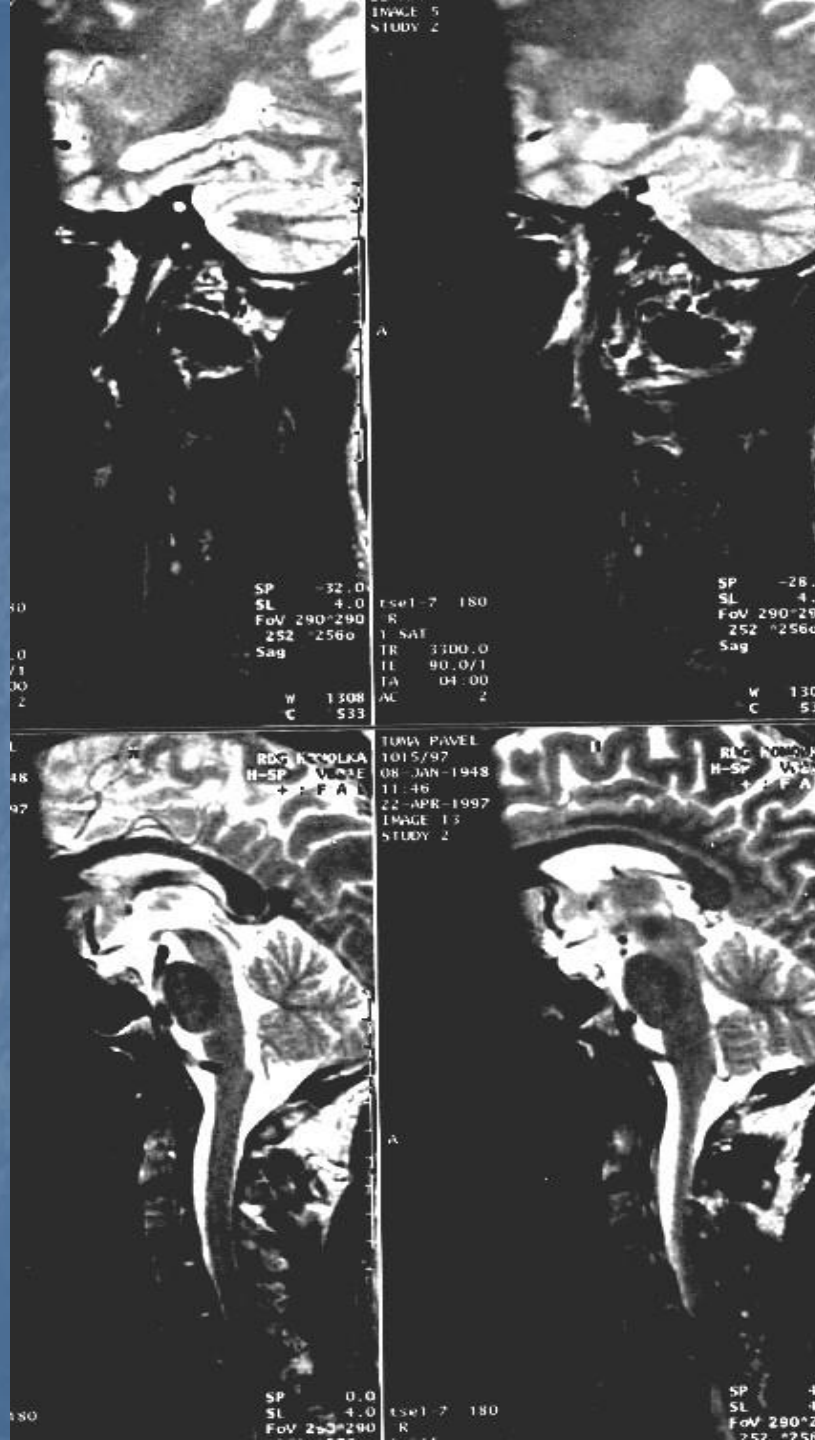
Cortex – 3 vrstvy

V bílé hmotě mozečková jádra



# MR examination

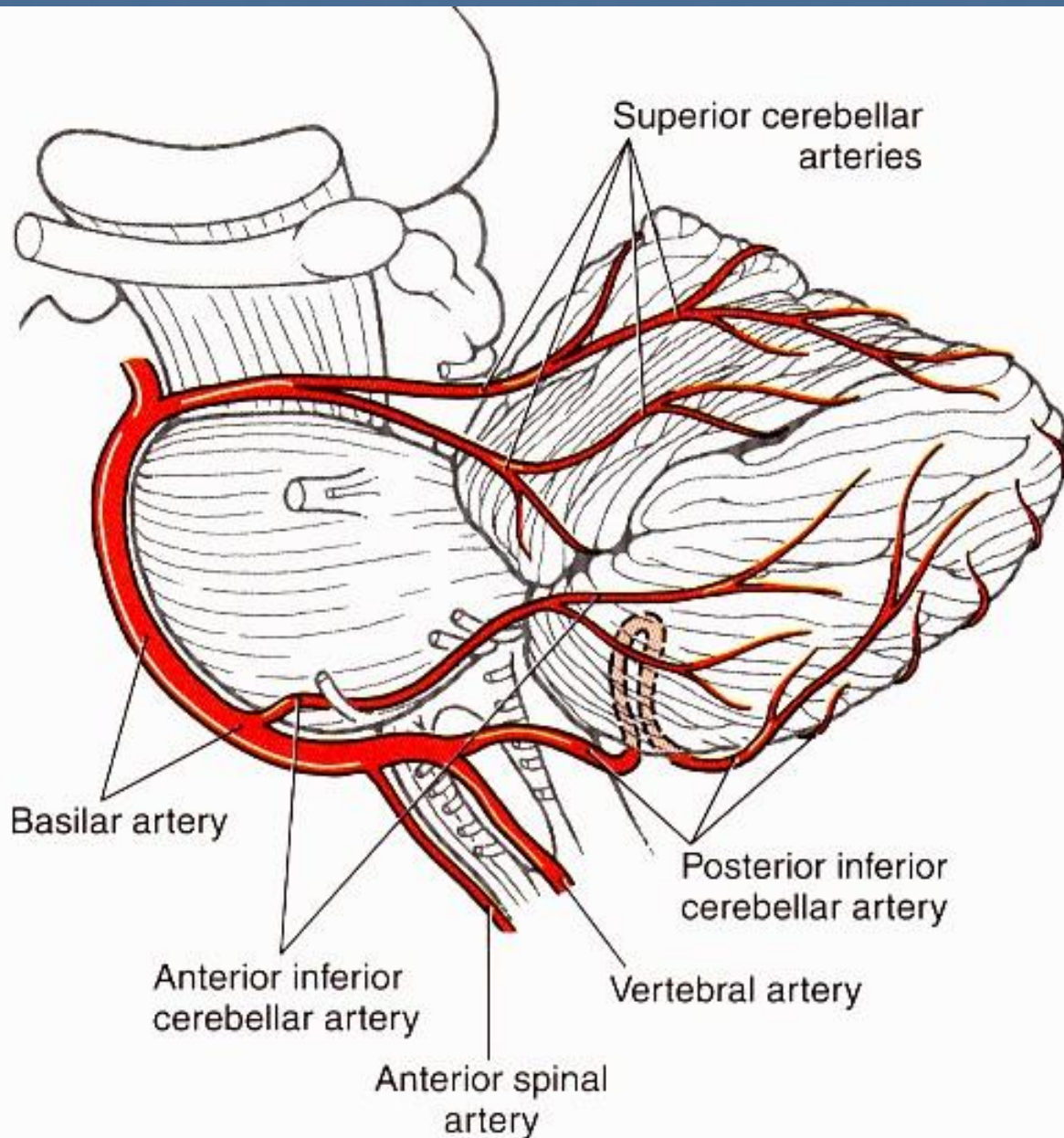
## Posterior cranial fossa



# MR vyšetření Fossa cranii posterior

Arterial  
supply

Arteriae  
cerebellares



AICA

PICA

Weigert  
staining



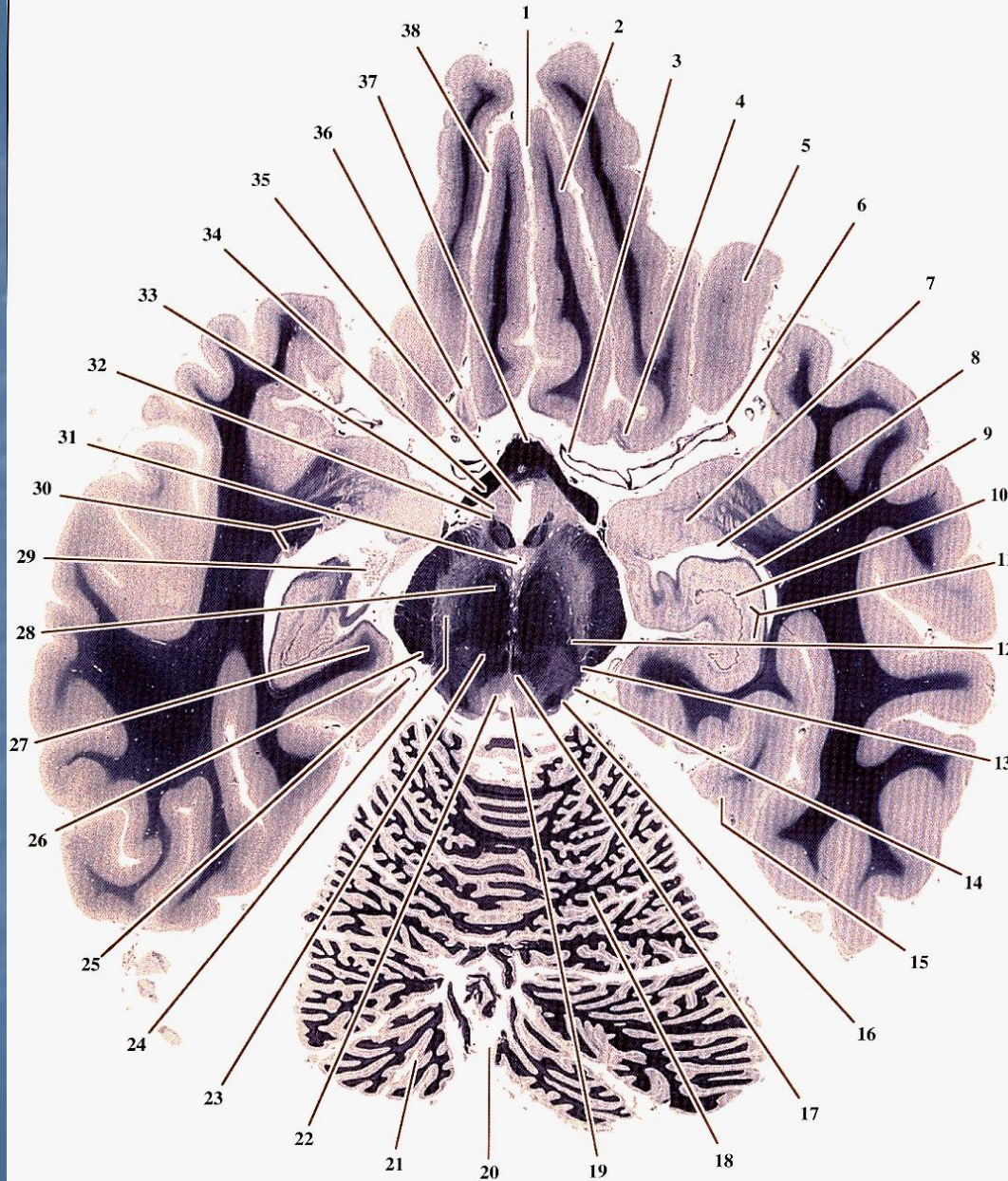
HORIZONTAL SECTION OF THE BRAIN, COMPLETE: LEVEL INCLUDING THE OPTIC CHIASM AND THE ROSTRAL OPTIC TRACTS

Marchi  
Staining

Marchiho  
metoda

Kluver - Barrera

Kluver –  
Barrera



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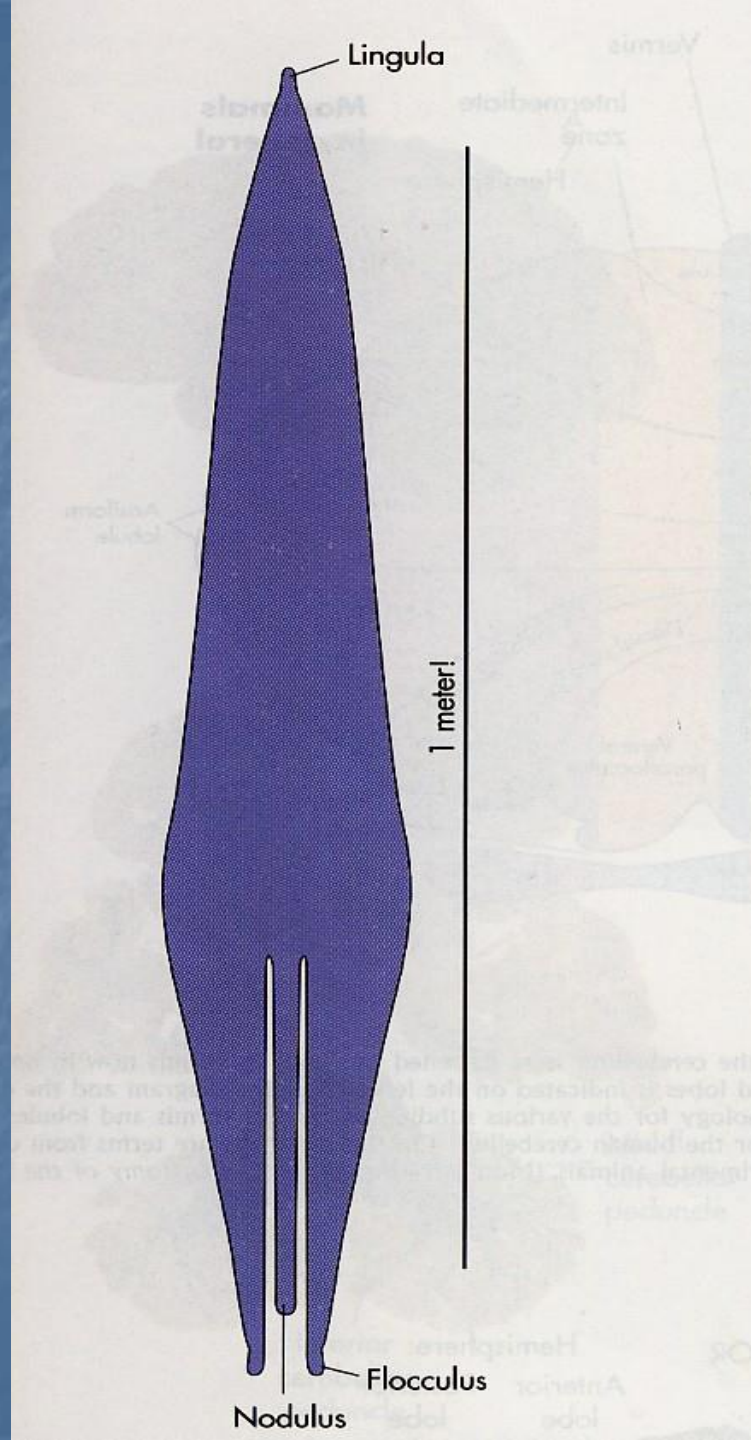
# Unfolded surface of the cerebellum

Dvourozněrná  
rekonstrukce  
povrchu (kůry)

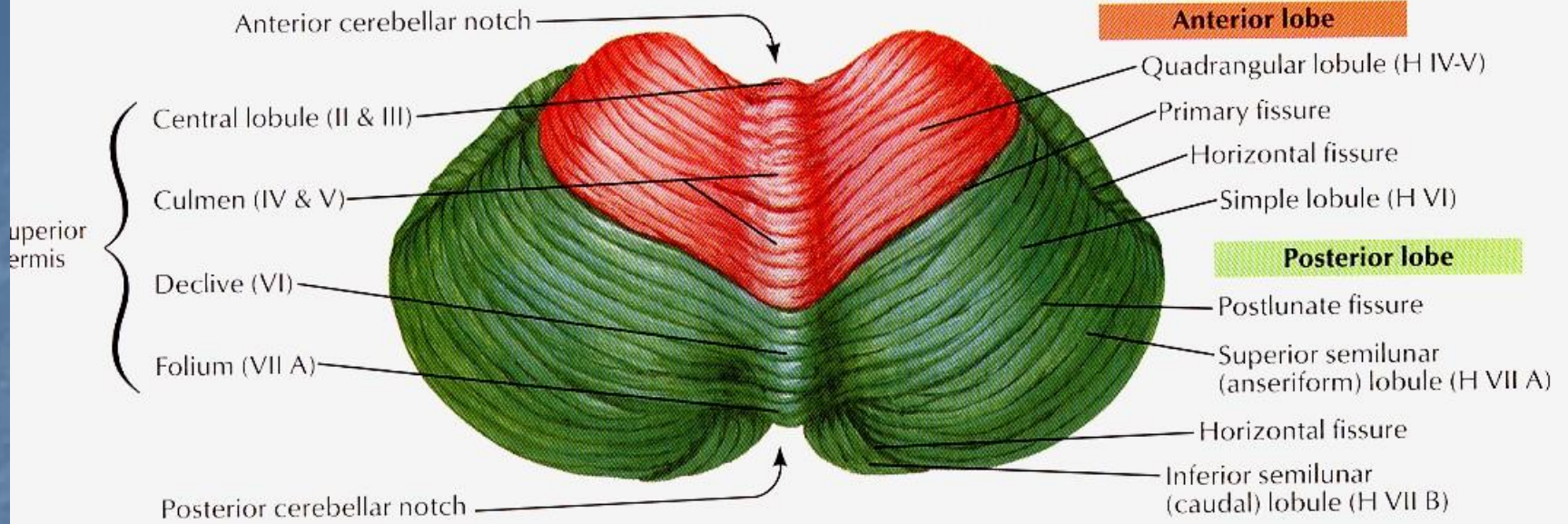
Mozečku

Two-dimensional  
reconstruction of the  
cerebellar surface

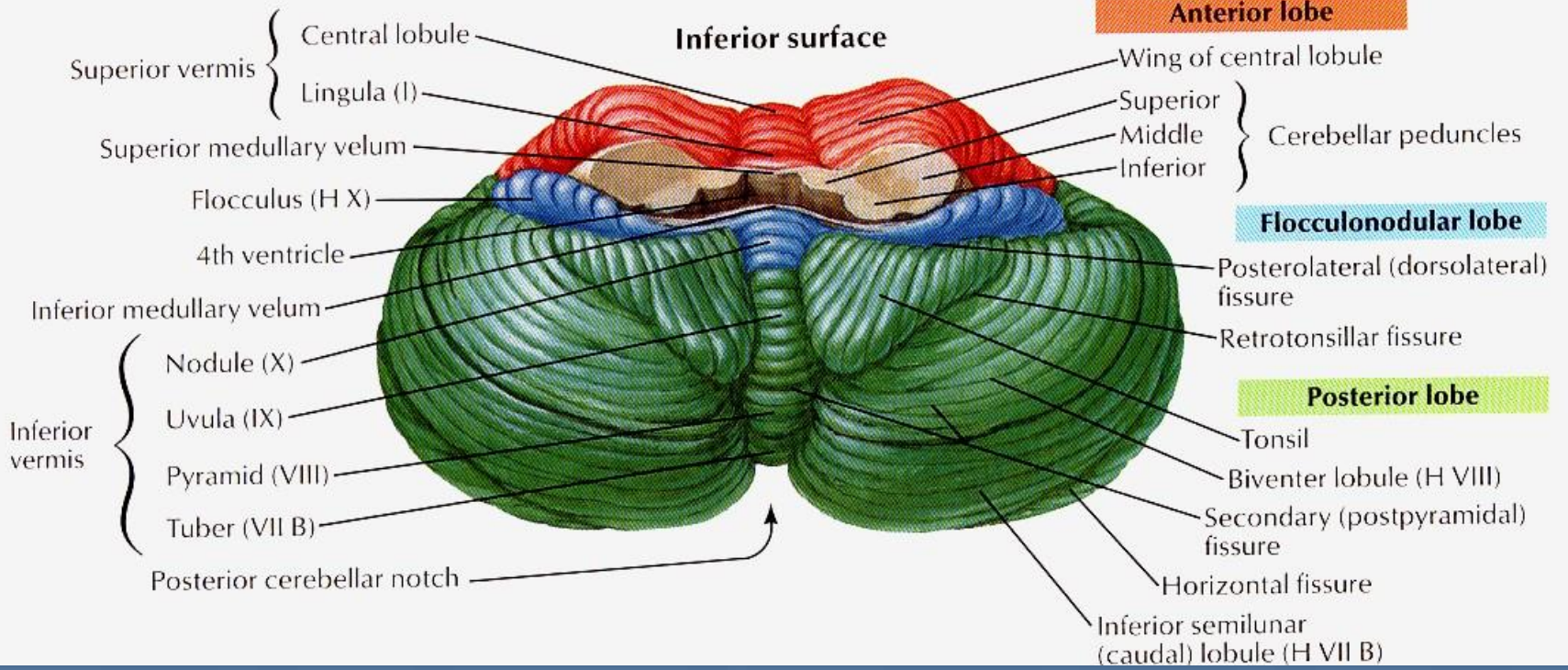
Length x width

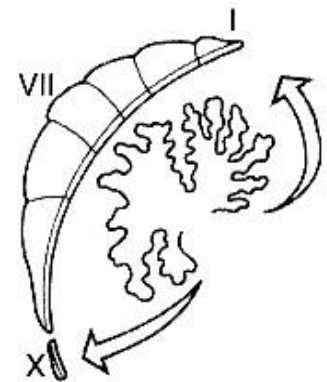
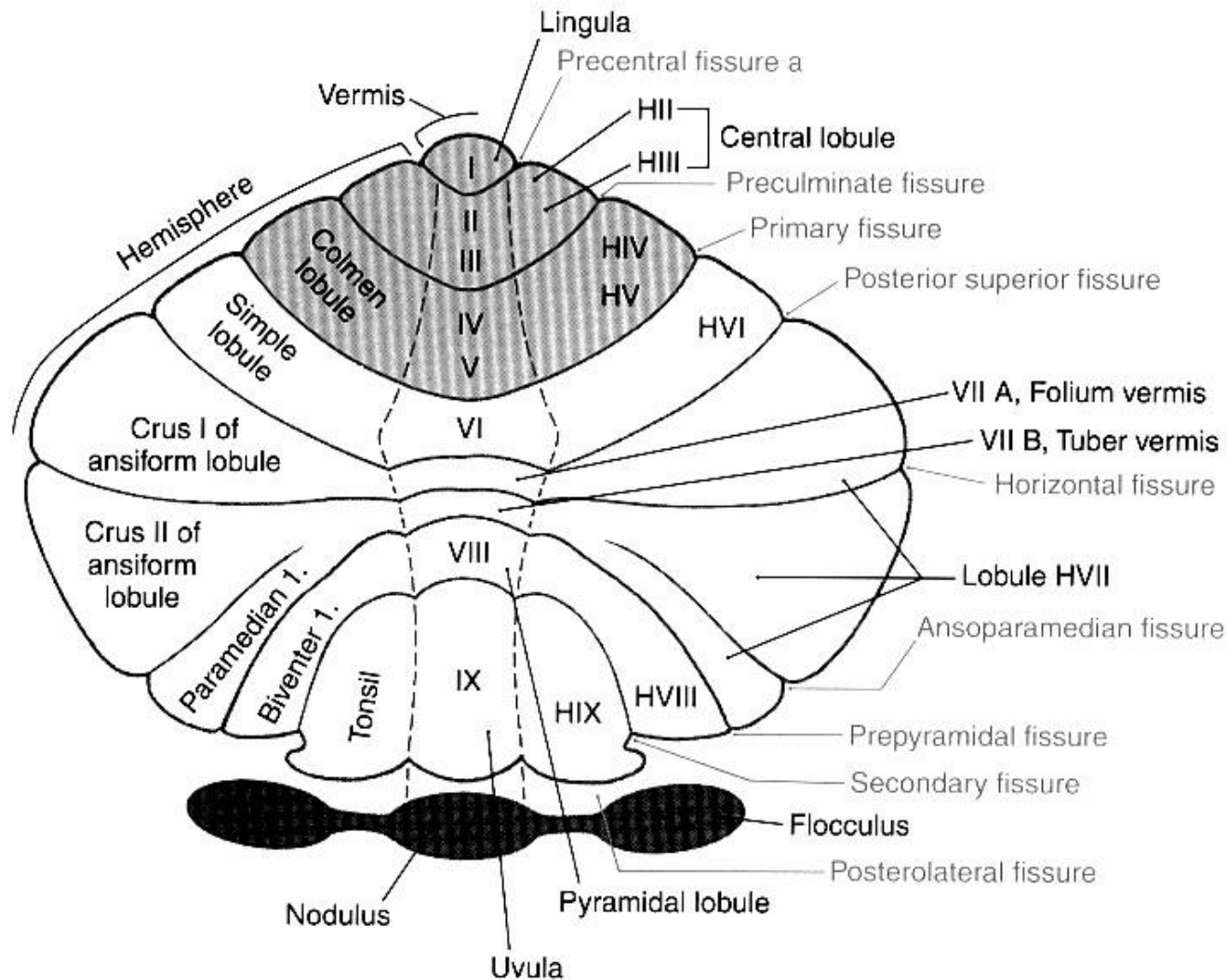


### Superior surface



### Inferior surface



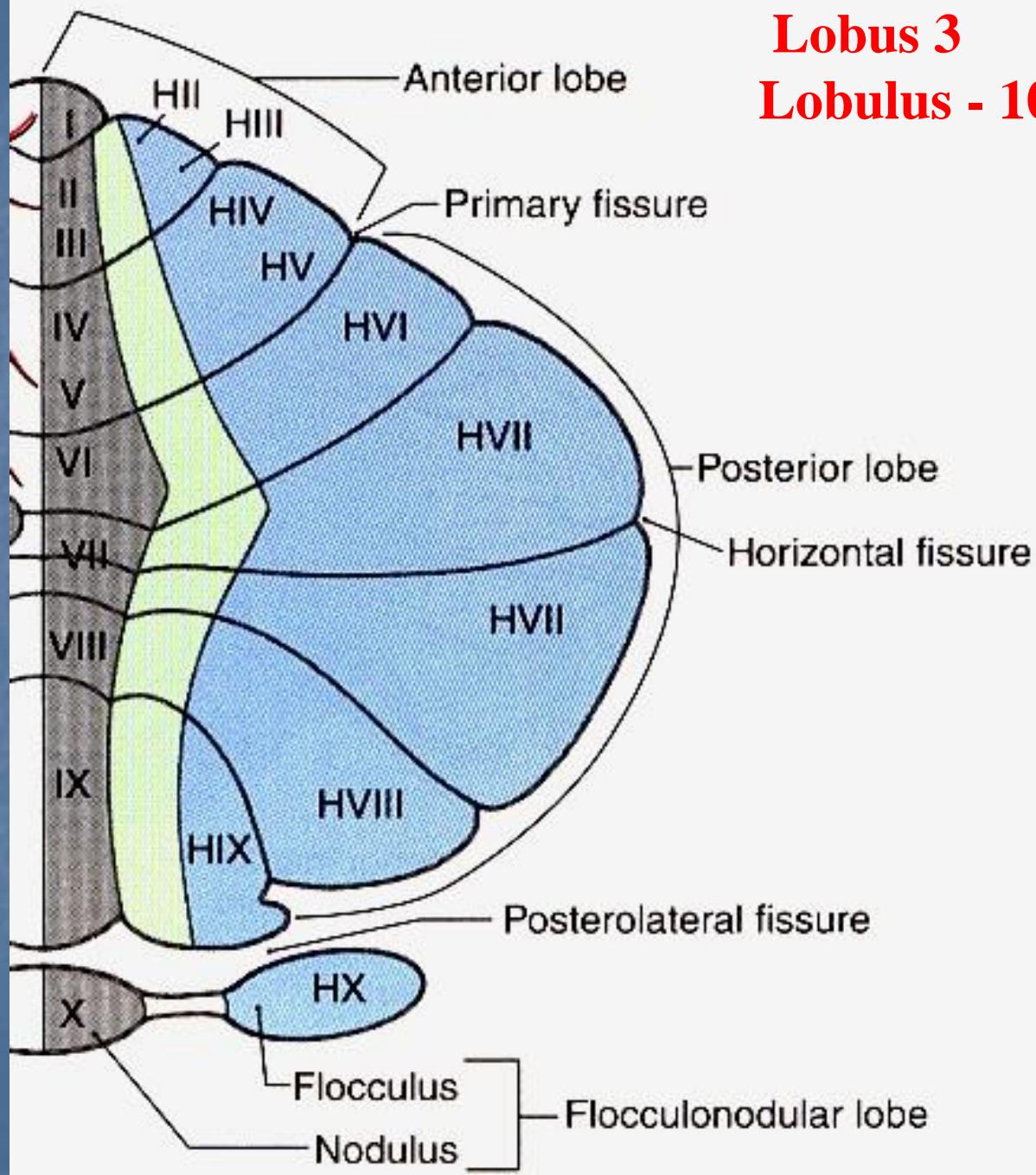


Anterior lobe
  Posterior lobe
  Flocculonodular lobe

Figure 27-2. Unfolded view (see upper right) of the cerebellar cortex showing lobes, lobules (by name and number), and main fissures (printed in blue). The lobules of the hemisphere are designated by the prefix "H," to show which lobule of the hemisphere (H) is continuous with its corresponding (designated by the Roman numeral) vermal lobule. I., lobule.

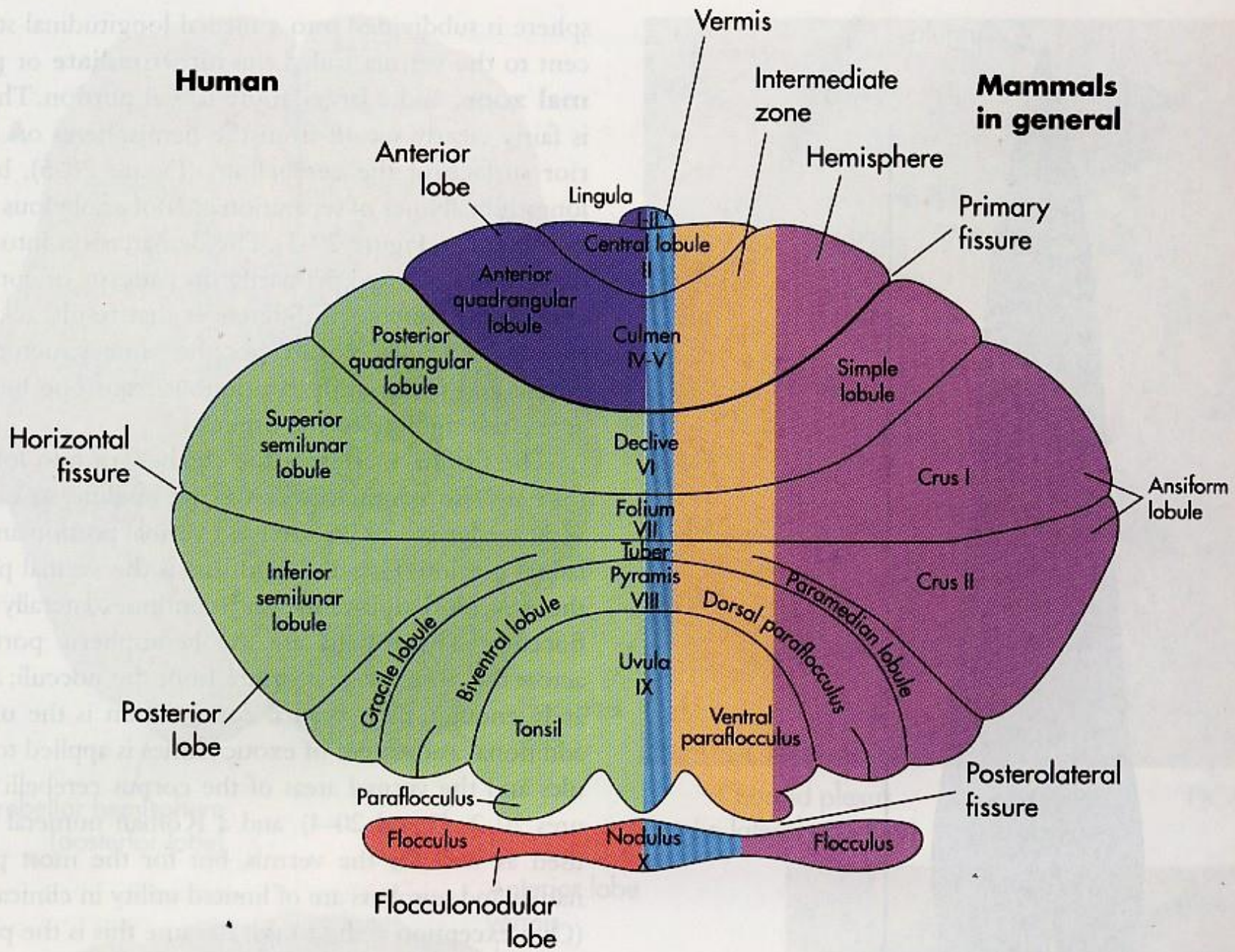
Cerebellar  
lobes and  
lobuli

Mozečkové  
Laloky (3) a  
Lalůčky (10)



**Lobus 3**  
**Lobulus - 10**

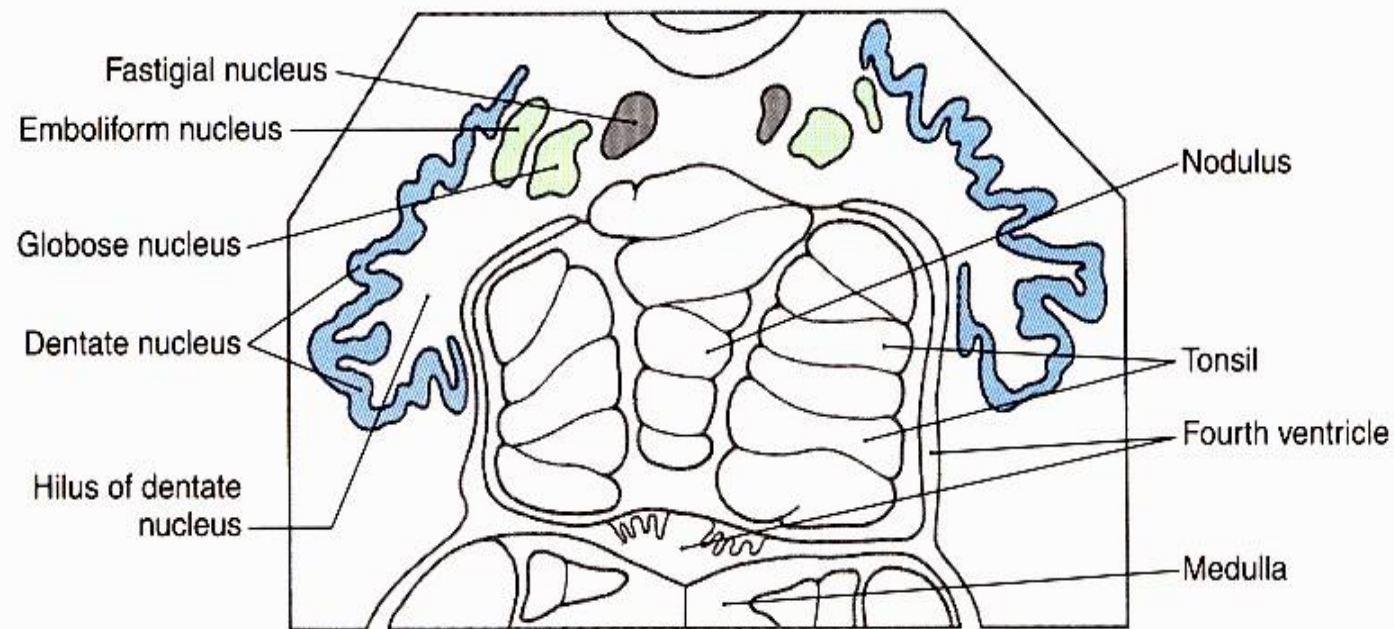
Vermis  
Paravermální  
oblast (zóna)  
Laterální část  
hemisféry



CEREBELLAR NUCLEI, neurons  
glutamatergic, excitatory, high  
spontaneous activity

## Mozečková jadra

Neurony glutamátergní (excitační), vysoká  
spontánní aktivita



**Figure 27-5.** The cerebellar nuclei in cross section, drawn from a slide. The color coding of each nucleus corresponds to its appropriate zone in Figure 27-4.

## Mozečková kůra – 3 vrstvy

# Structure of the cerebellar cortex - 3 layers:

**I. molecular layer - inhibitory interneurons**

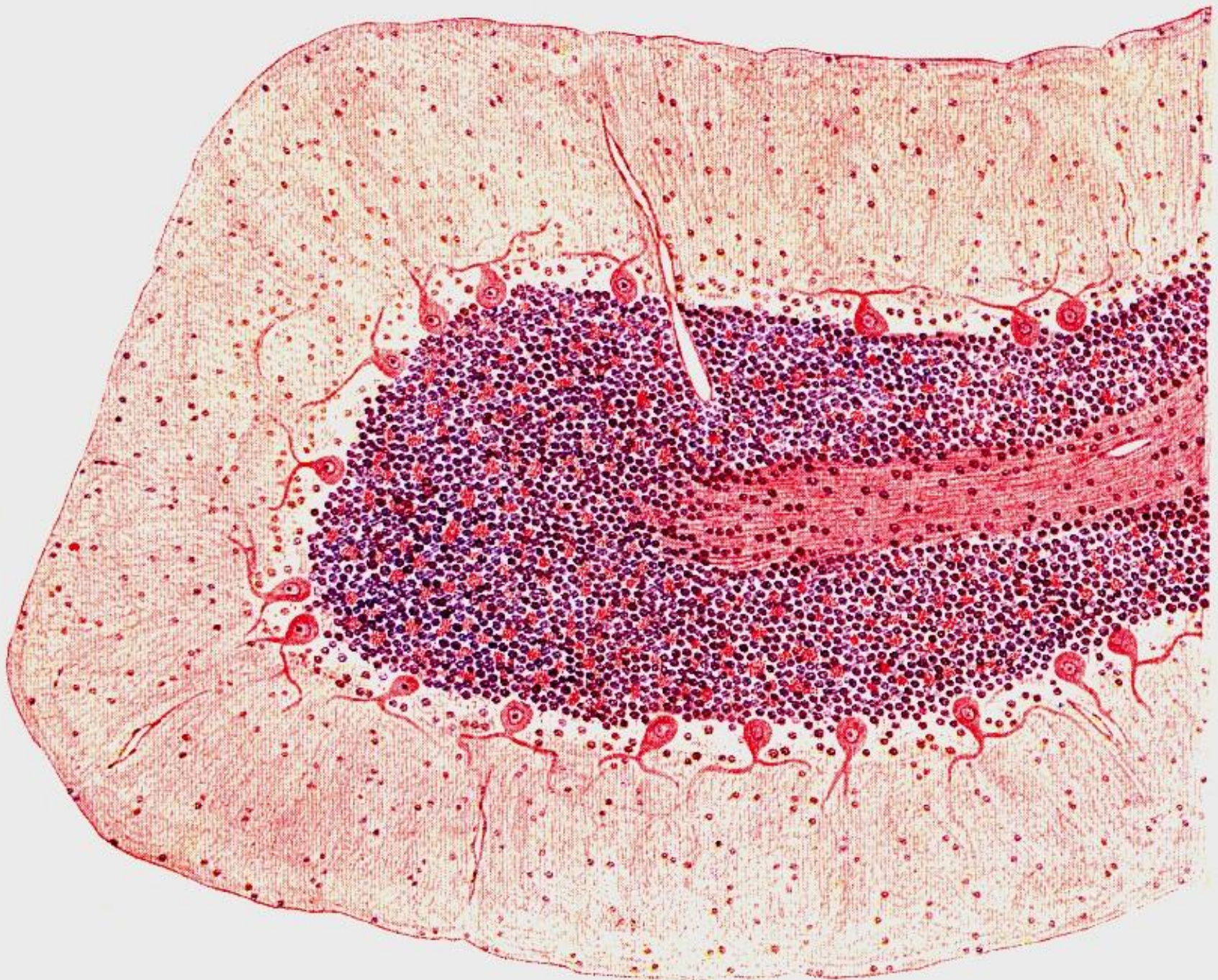
**I. Molekulární vrstva – inhibiční interneurony**

**II. Purkinje cell layer – inhibitory projecting neurons**

**II. Vrstva Purkyňových buněk (stratum purkinjese) – inhibiční, projekční neurony**

**III. granular layer – prevail excitatory neurons**

**III. Vrstva granulárních buněk – převaha excitačních neuronů**



Strat.  
cinereum

Strat.  
gangliosum

Strat.  
ferrugineum

weisses  
Marklager



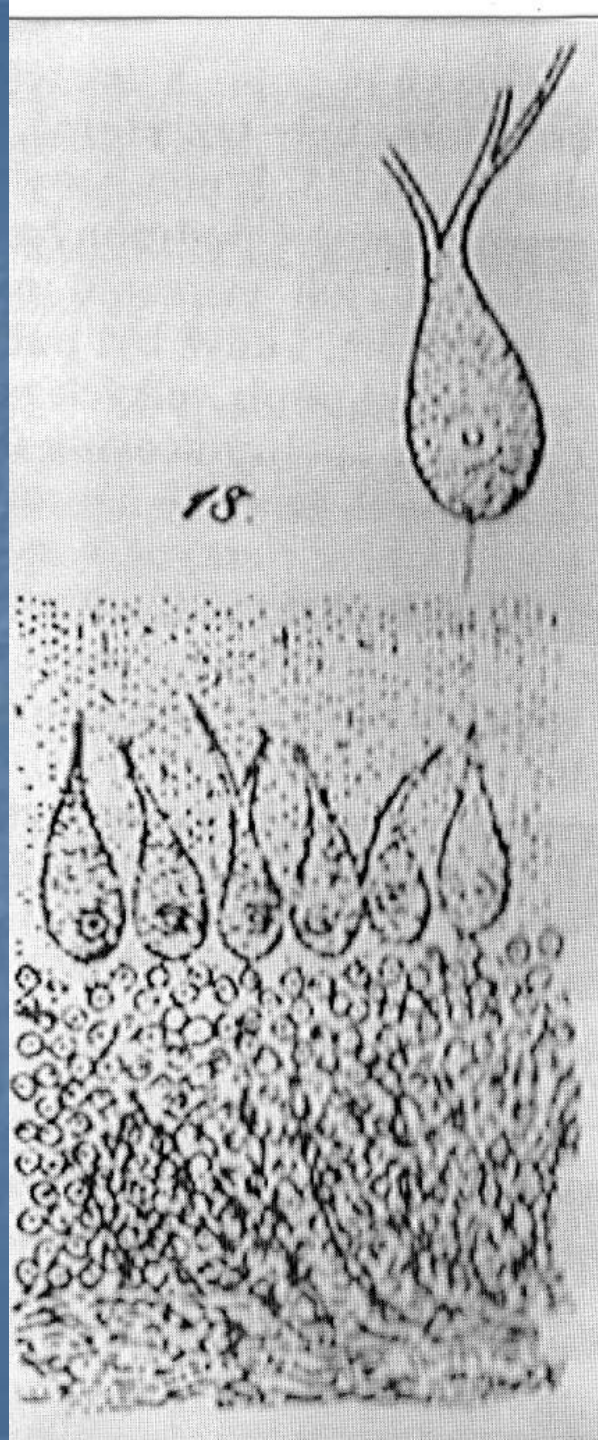
**J.E. Purkyně 1837**

**1832 první mikroskop**

**Univerzita ve Vratislavi**

**Prof. Heidenheim :**

.....“ hatte Purkyně den charakteristischen, allgemeinen Unterschied zwischen Tier und Pflanzenzellen zum erstmale mit vollkommener Klarheit erkannt „



## R. y Cajal : Histologie du systeme nerveux, 1911.

**Cellules de Purkinje.** — Ces cellules, dont le nom rappelle celui du savant qui les a découvertes <sup>1</sup>, sont volumineuses, ovoïdes, semi-lunaires ou mitrales et disposées en une rangée discontinue, juste aux confins de la couche plexiforme et de celle des grains. Leur diamètre, quelque peu variable suivant les mammifères, oscille chez l'homme entre 35 et 65  $\mu$ .

1. PURKINJE, Bericht auf der Versammlung deutscher Naturforscher in Prag, 1837.

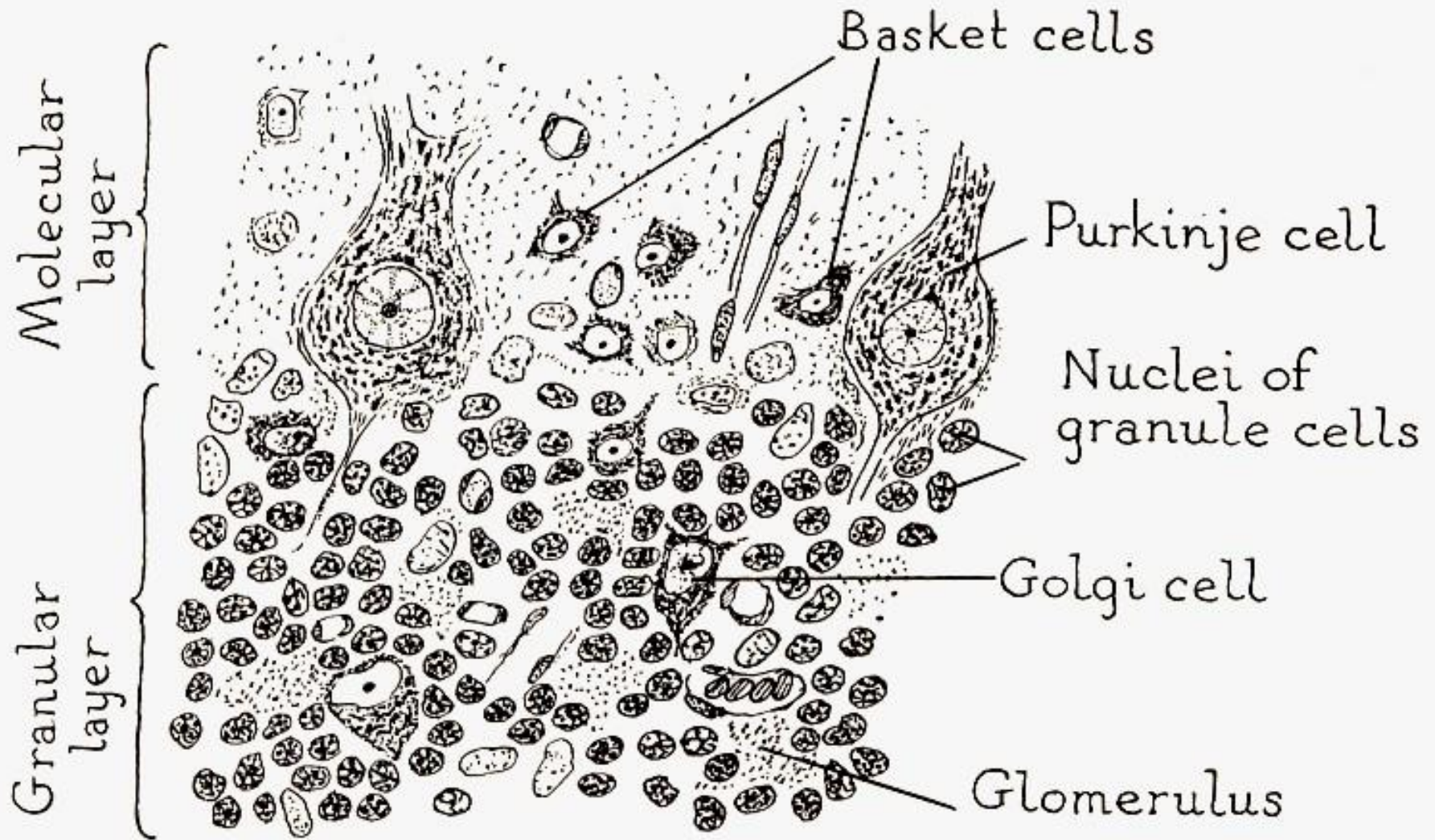
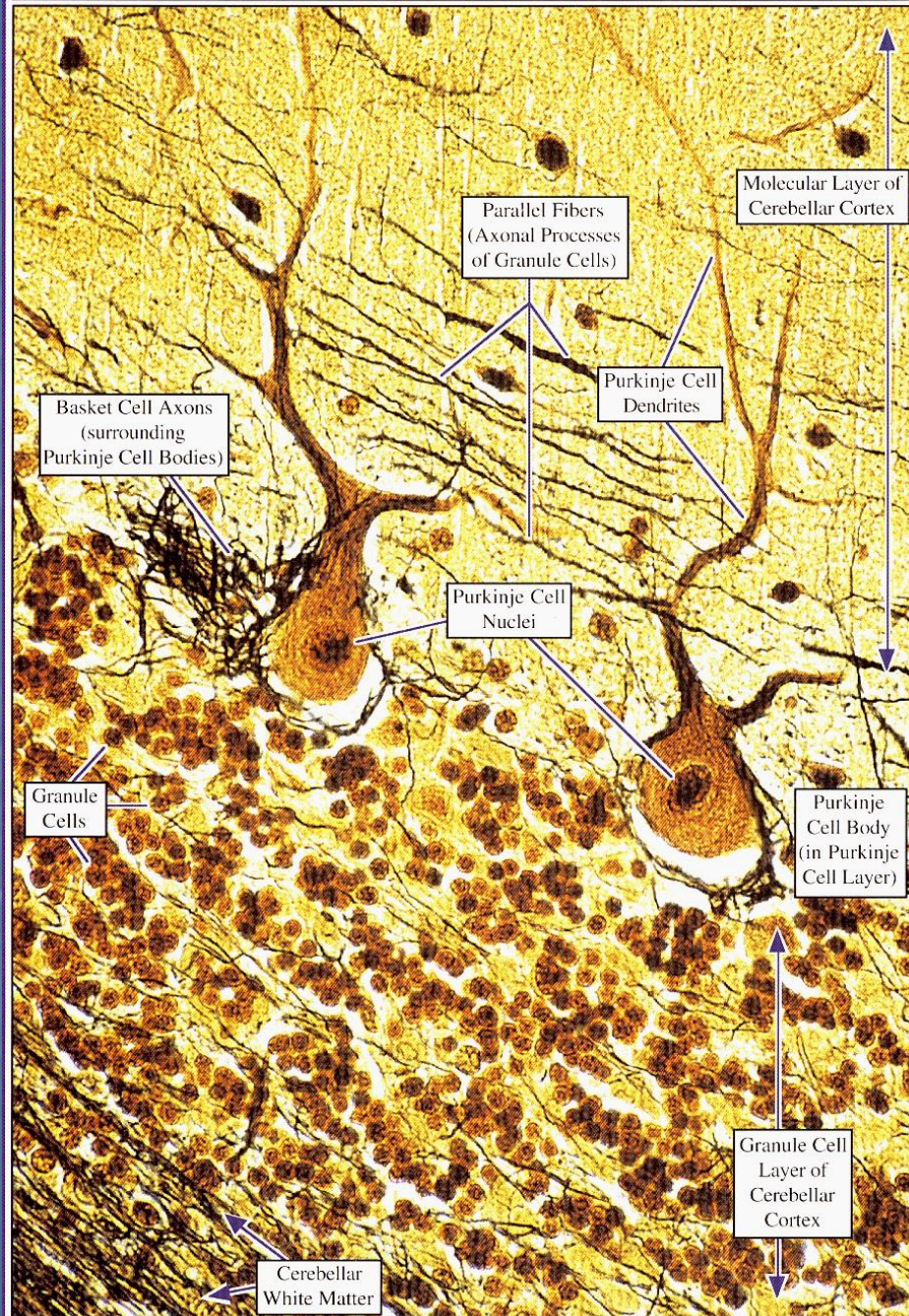


FIG. 246. Part of a section through human cerebellar cortex. Nissl stain. (After Cajal)

CEREBELLAR CORTEX: 400X ORIGINAL MAGNIFICATION,  
15  $\mu$  SECTION, BIELSCHOWSKY SILVER TECHNIQUE



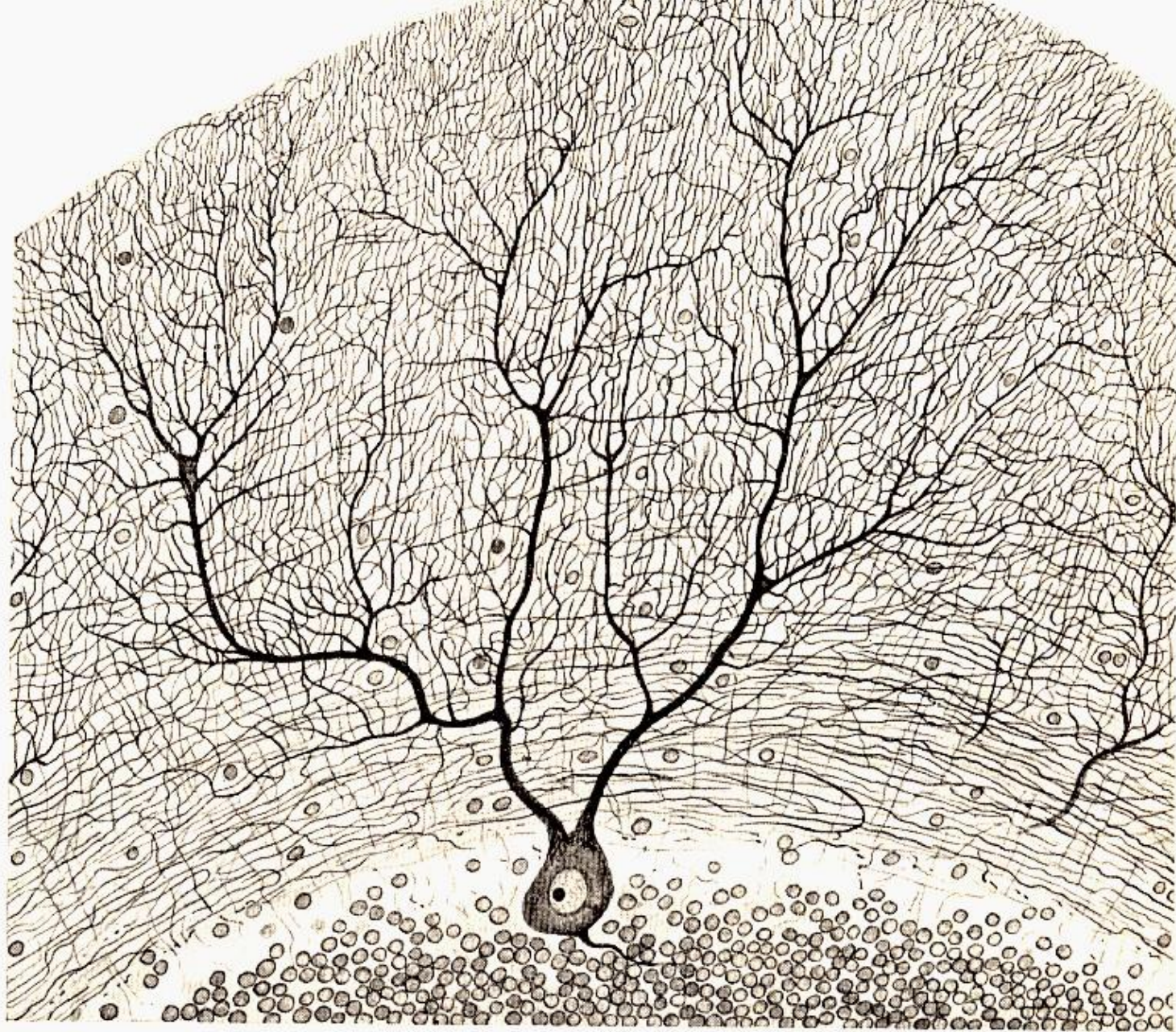


Abb. 261. Purkinjesehe Zelle aus der menschlichen Kleinhirnrinde. Die Dendriten bilden untereinander ein zusammenhängendes Netzwerk. Gros-Schultze-Methode. Vergr. etwa 300fach

**Basket cells, inhibitory interneurons,  
GABAergic**

**Košíčkové buňky,  
inhibiční interneurony**

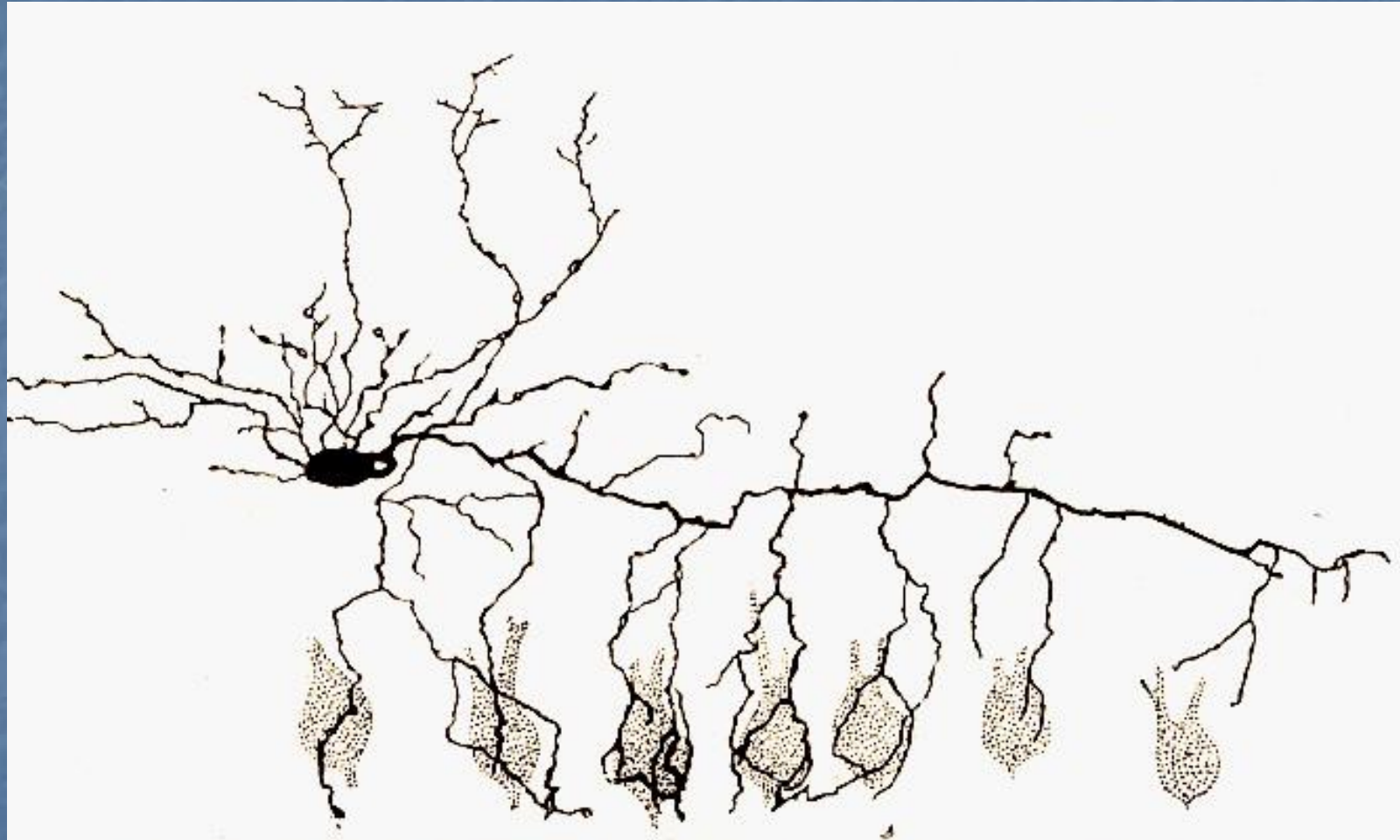
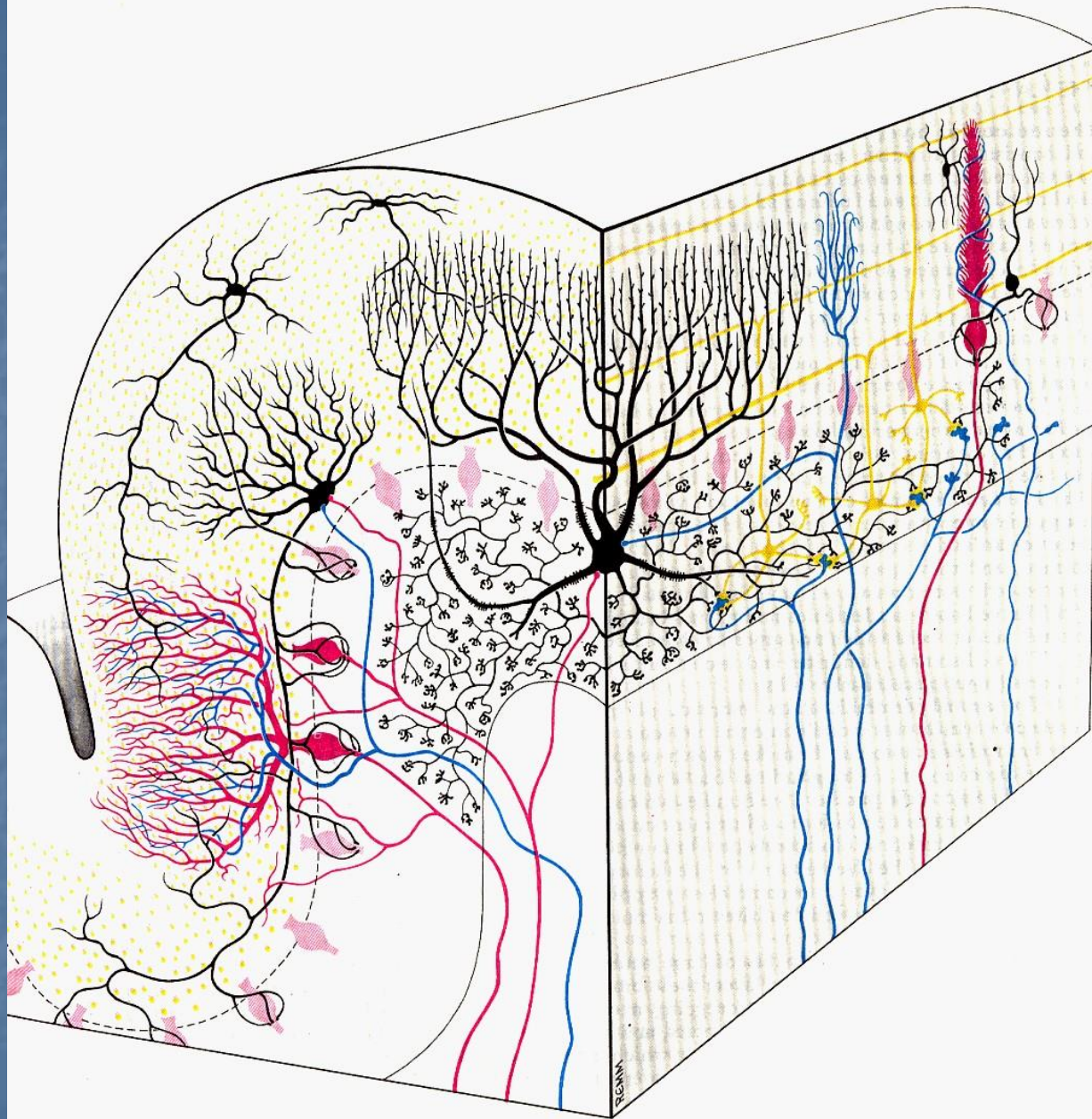


Abb. 265. Korbzelle mit ihrem Neuriten und dessen kollateralen Verzweigungen an den Purkinjeschen Zellen. Mensch. Golgi-Präparat.  
(Nach Jakob, Hdb. mikr. Anat. d. Menschen 4, I (1928))

Stärzellen





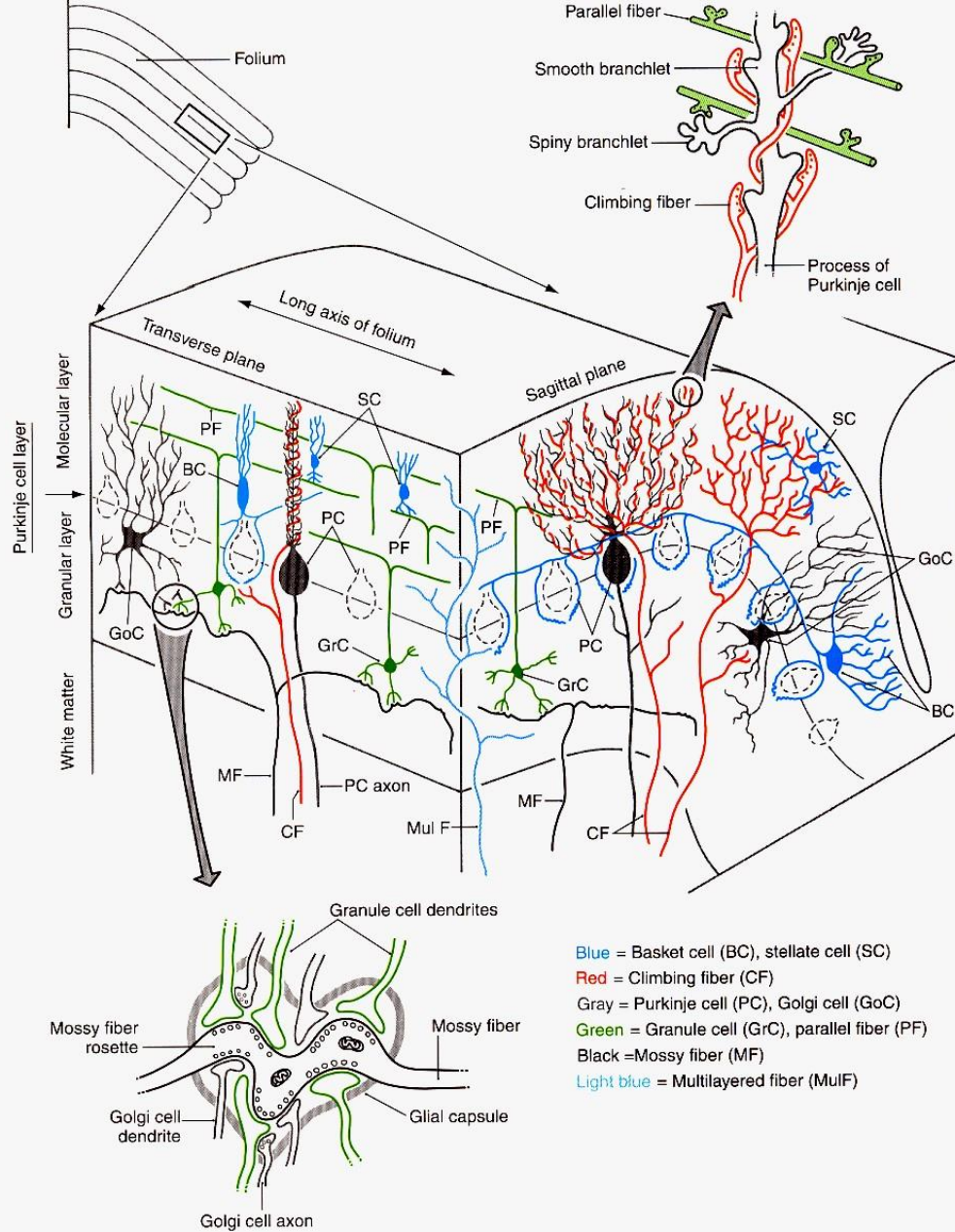
79 The general organization of the cerebellar cortex: a single cerebellar folium has been sectioned vertically, both in its longitudinal axis (right part of the diagram) and transversely (on the left). Note: (1) Purkinje cells (red); (2) inhibitory interneurons (black) including outer stellate, basket and Golgi cells; (3) granule cells and their ascending axons which bifurcate into longitudinally disposed horizontal fibres

(yellow); (4) climbing fibres and mossy afferents (blue). Note also the synaptic glomeruli formed between the terminals of the mossy afferent fibres, the complex dendrite tips of the granule cells, and the ramifications of the Golgi cell axon. (Redrawn from: *The Cerebellum as a Neuronal Machine* by J. C. Eccles, M. Ito and J. Szentágothai. With the permission of the authors and the publishers Springer, 1967.)



Mossy fibers –  
 Granule cells-  
 Parallel fibers  
 –Purkinjě cells

Mechová  
 Vlákna-  
 granulární b.  
 Paralelní vl.



Climbing  
 fiber –  
 Purkinjě  
 cell

Šplhavá  
 Vlákna –  
 Purkyňovy  
 bb.

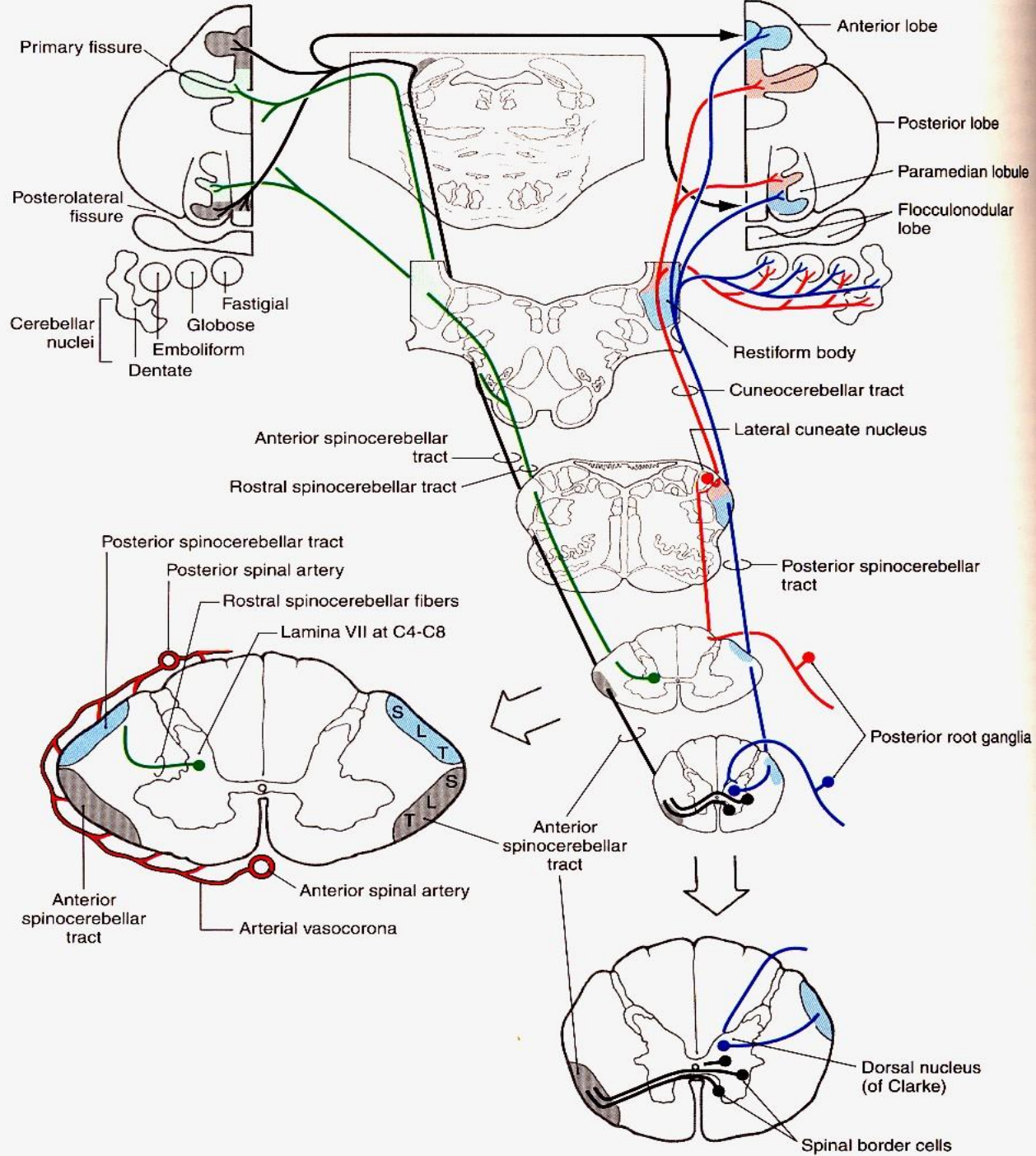
**Figure 27-8.** Cell types and synaptic relations in the cerebellar cortex in transverse and sagittal planes. Note the structure of the cerebellar glomerulus (lower left) and the interaction of parallel and climbing fibers (upper right) with the dendritic processes of Purkinje cells. Compare with Figure 27-9.

## Aferentní a eferentní spoje kůry mozečku

# Afferent and efferent connections

- **Tracts**
- **Vestibulocerebellar (from the labyrinth and vestibular nuclei)**
- **Spinocerebellar ant., post., rostral, cuneocerebellar**
- **Olivocerebellar**
- **Reticulocerebellar**
- **Nucleocerebellar**
- **Pontocerebellar !! (cortico-ponto-cerebellar)**
- **Corticonuclear (from the cerebellar cortex to the nuclei)**
- **Vermis – ncl. fastigii**
- **Paravermal zone – ncl. Emboliformis + globosus**
- **Lateral hemisphere – ncl. dentatus**
- **From cerebellar nuclei to the brain stem and to the thalamus**

Lamina V-  
- VIII



**Spinocerebellar**

**Pathways**

**Posterior** T1 – L2,  
uncrossed

ICP, proprioceptors

**Anterior** L3 – L5

2x-crossed, SCP,  
cutaneous signals

**Rostral** C4 – C8

Uncrossed, ICP

Cutaneous signals

**Cuneocerebellar**

C2 – T4

uncrossed

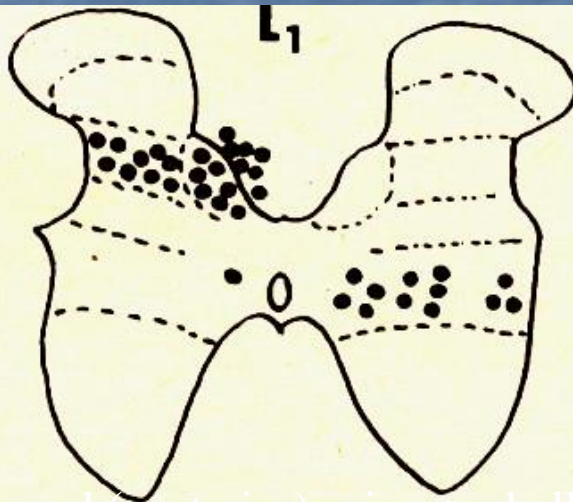
Lateral cuneate nc.,  
propriocept.

ICP

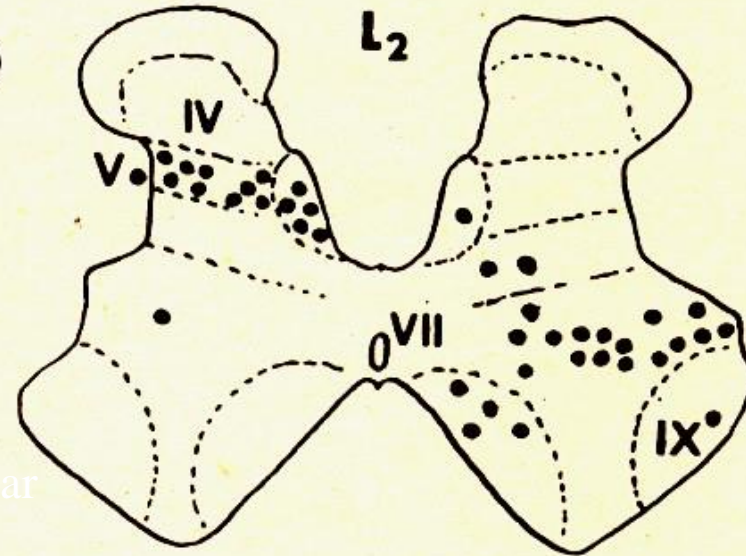
# Origin of the spinocerebellar pathways

a

b



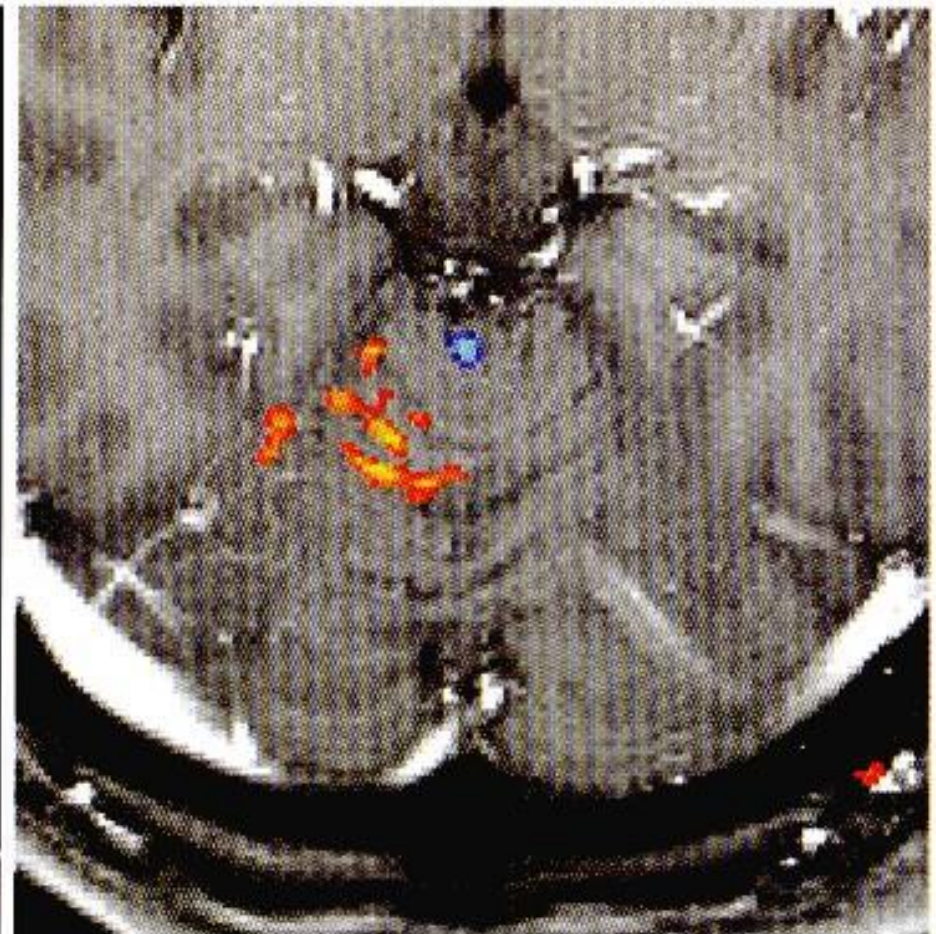
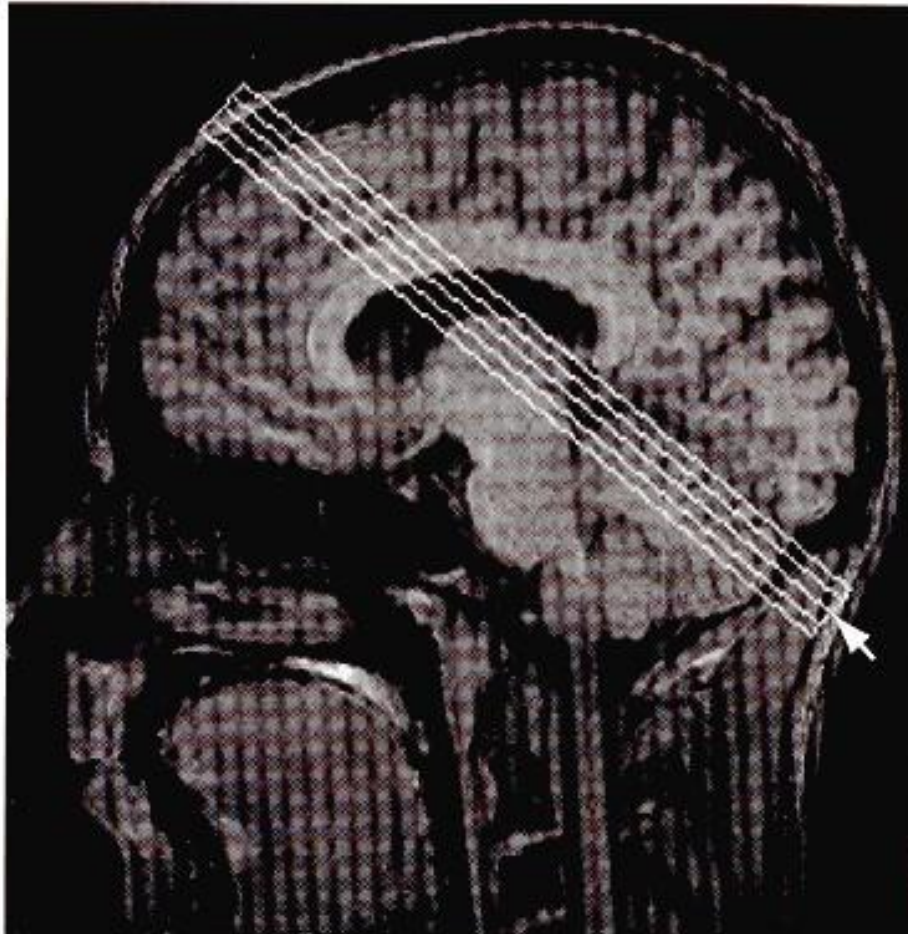
Dorsal (posterior) spinocerebellar  
projection- uncrossed



Ventral (anterior) spinocerebellar  
projection - crossed

FMI — increased blood flow during flexion and extension of ipsilateral hand (red, orange signal) and foot (blue signal)

Funkční MR, flexe a extenze ruky (červený, oranžový signál), nohy (modrý signál)



Zvýšení průtoku krve ve spinálním mozečku (lobus anterior)

Spinocerebellum

Vermis  
Intermediate  
hemisphere

Cerebrocerebellum

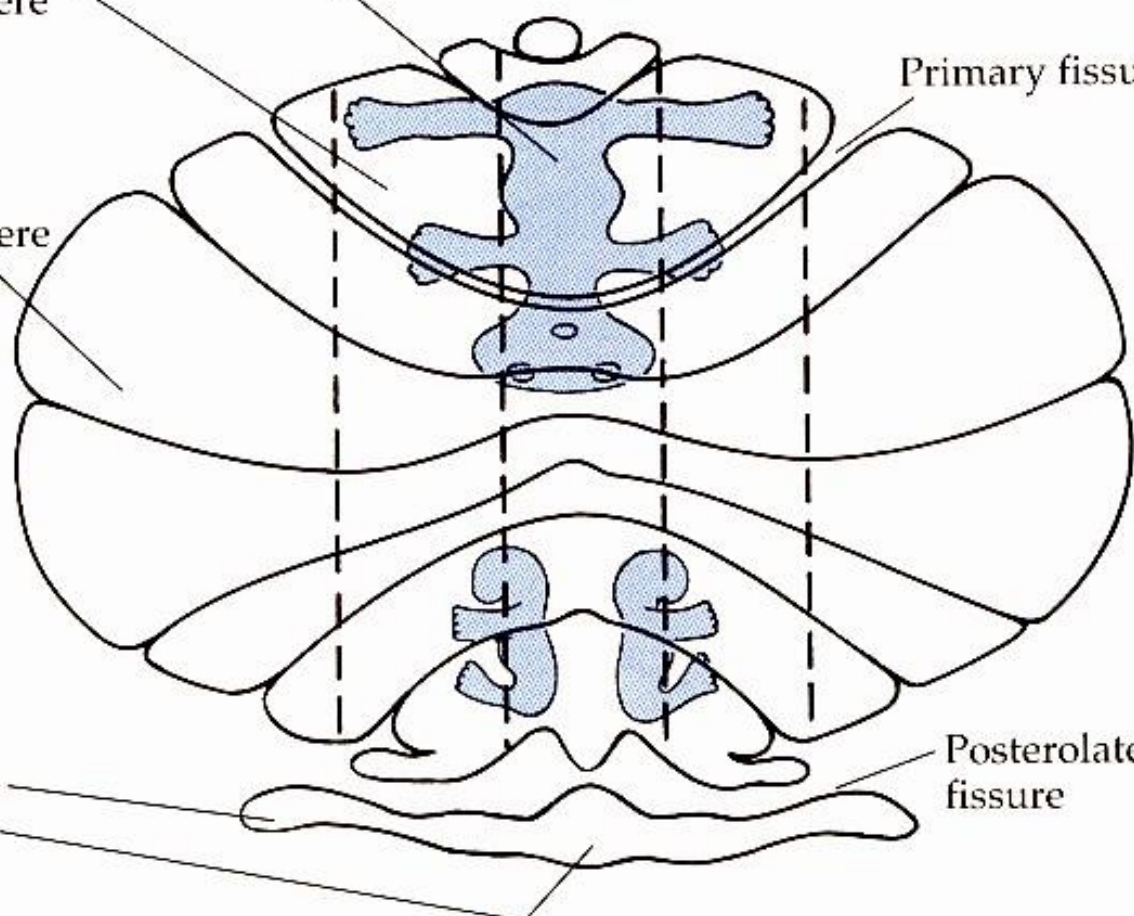
Lateral  
hemisphere

Vestibulocerebellum

Flocculus  
Nodulus

Primary fissure

Posterolateral  
fissure

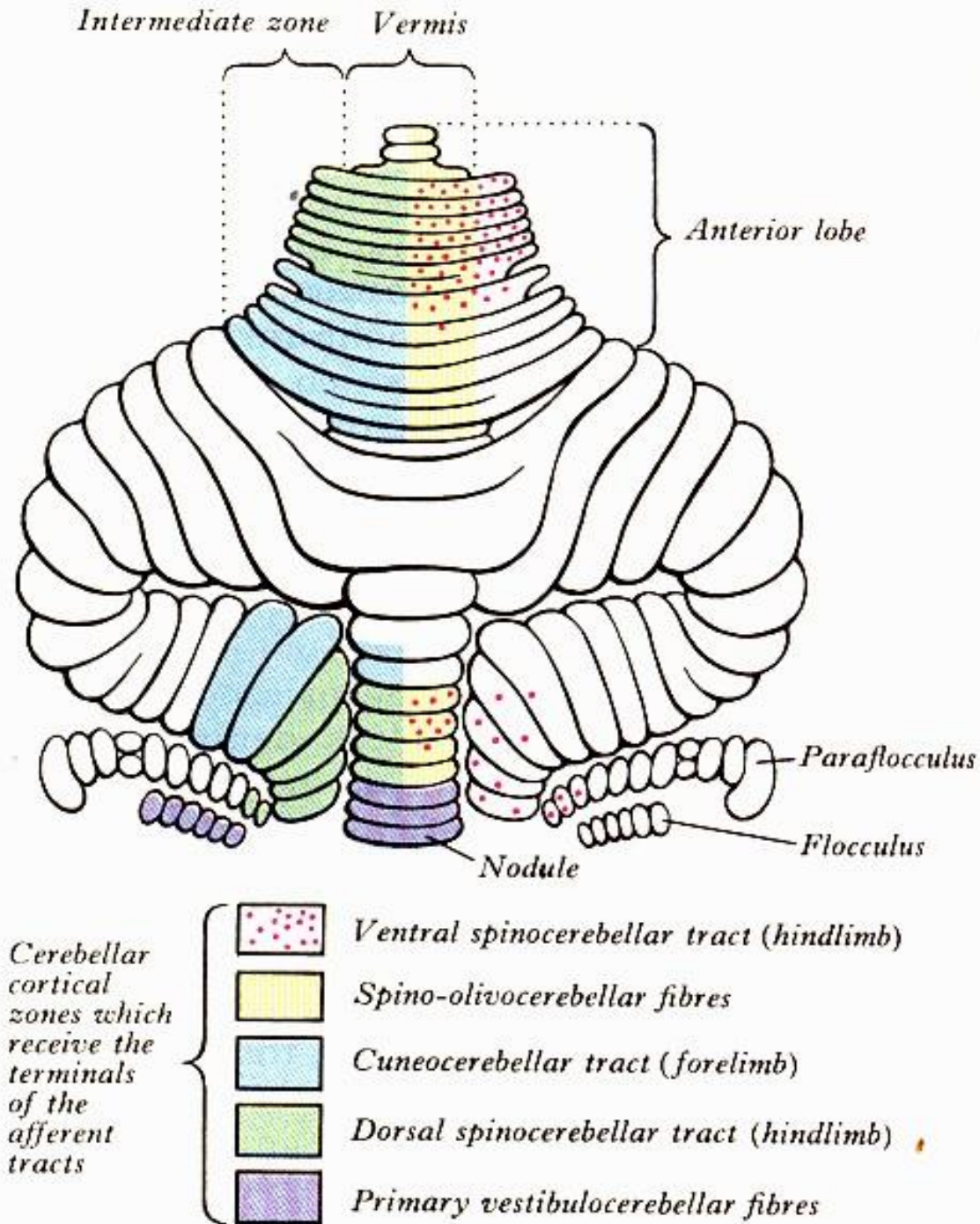


Afferent  
projections

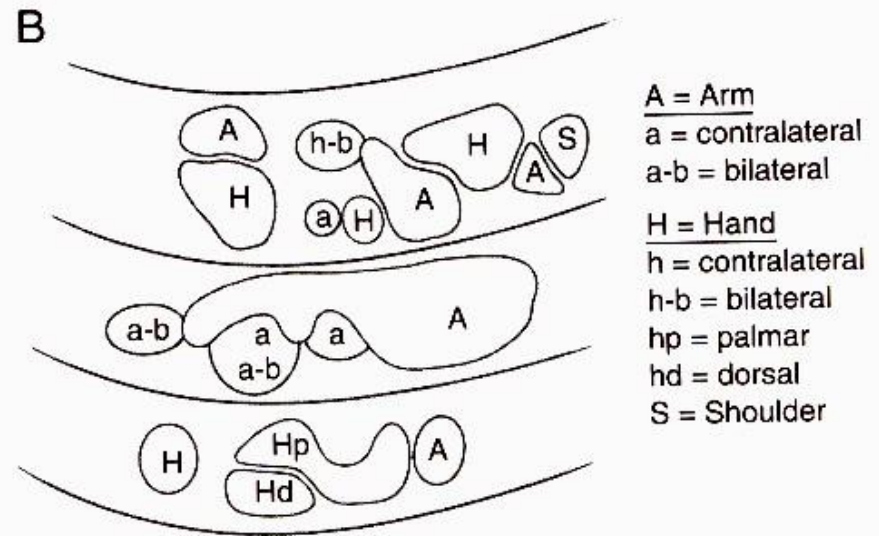
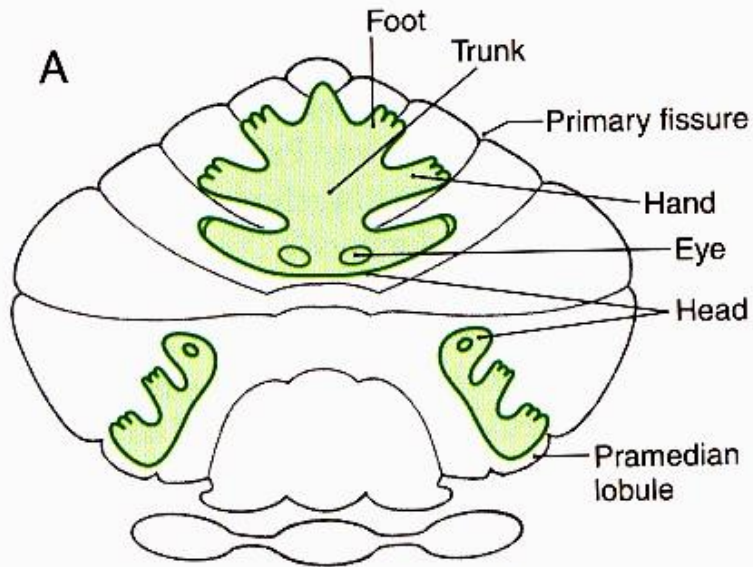
Aferentní

Spoje

Mossy  
fibers



The cerebellar cortical areas of termination of the afferent tracts

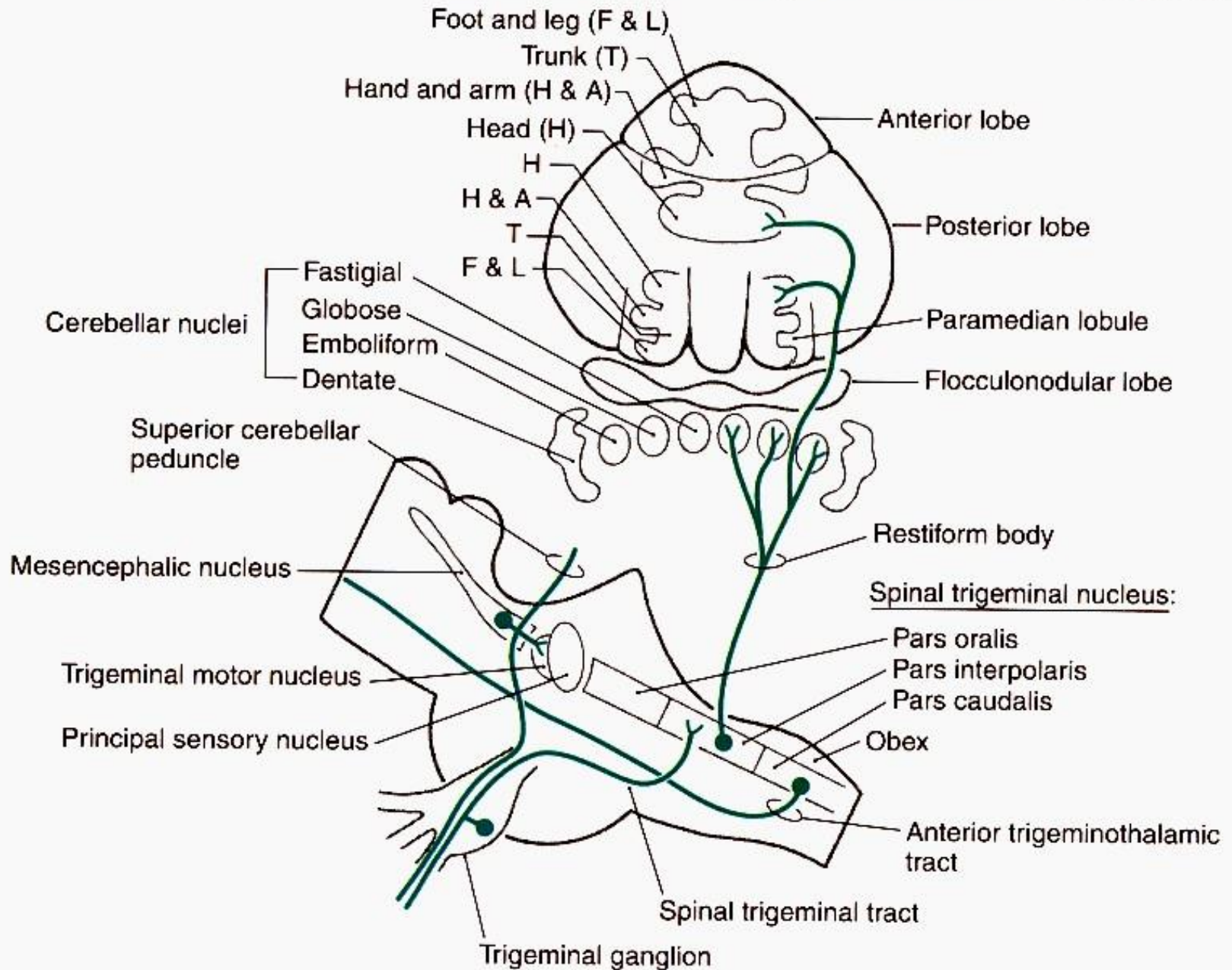


**Figure 27-10.** Somatotopy in the cerebellar cortex (*A*) and a summary representation of fractured somatotopy in the paramedian lobule (*B*) of a primate. In the somatotopic map, body areas were originally thought to be continuous (*A*), but more recent studies suggest that discontinuous body parts (or areas) may be represented in immediately adjacent cortical regions (*B*). (*B* is adapted from Welker et al, 1988, with permission.)

Lobulus I – V, VIII.



# Trigemino-cerebellar Connections



# AFFERENTS TO THE CEREBELLAR CORTEX I.

- **Climbing fibers (Šplhavá vlákna)**

- inferior olive (each P.cell receives only 1 c.f., many synapses with P.c.), excitatory (glutamate), firing frequency of the c.f. is very low (1 impulse/sec), c.f. elicit burst of action potentials in the P.c.

- C.f. inform about errors in the execution of movements – error indicators !!

Climbing  
Fibers  
Olivo-  
cerebellar  
projections  
(crossed)

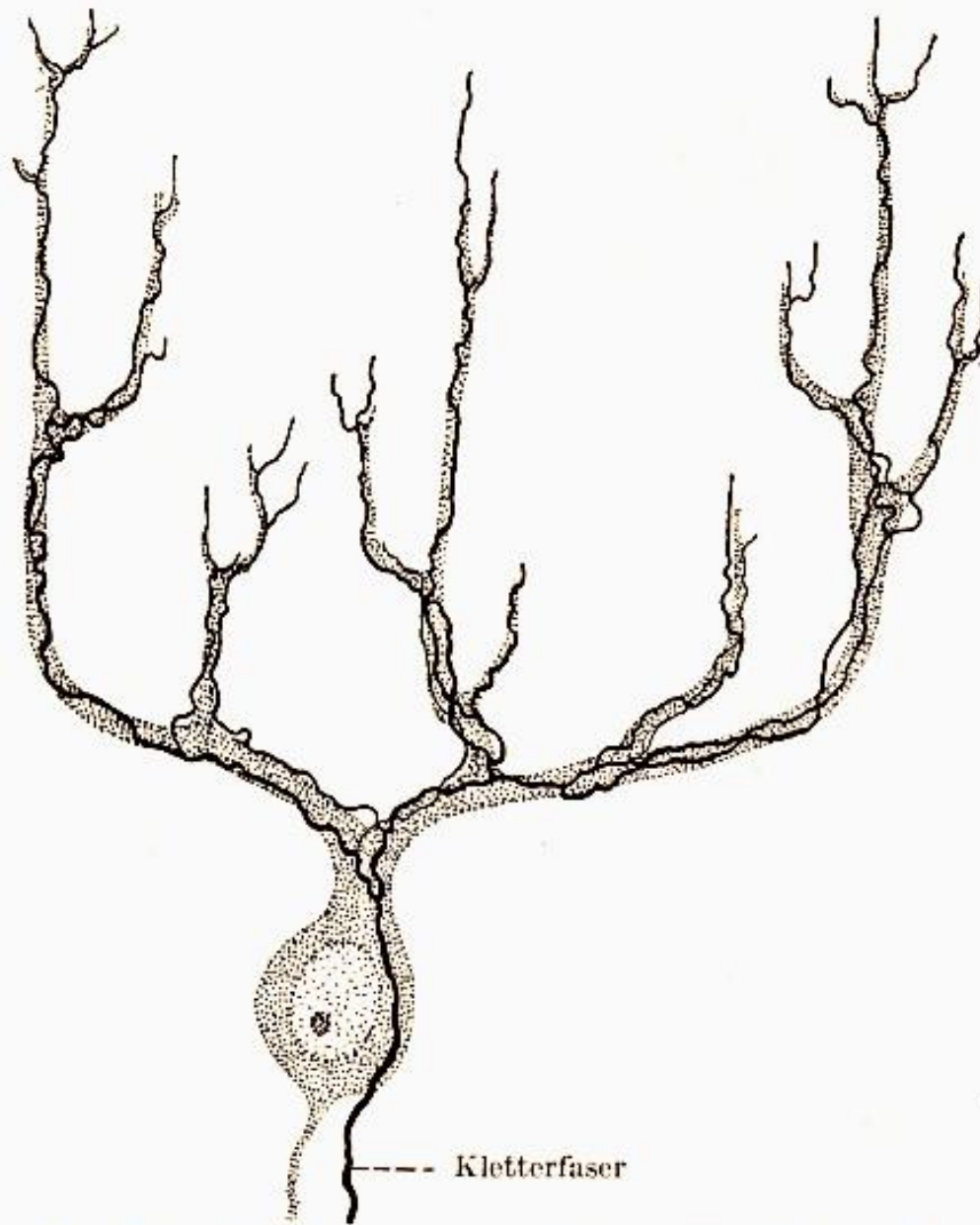
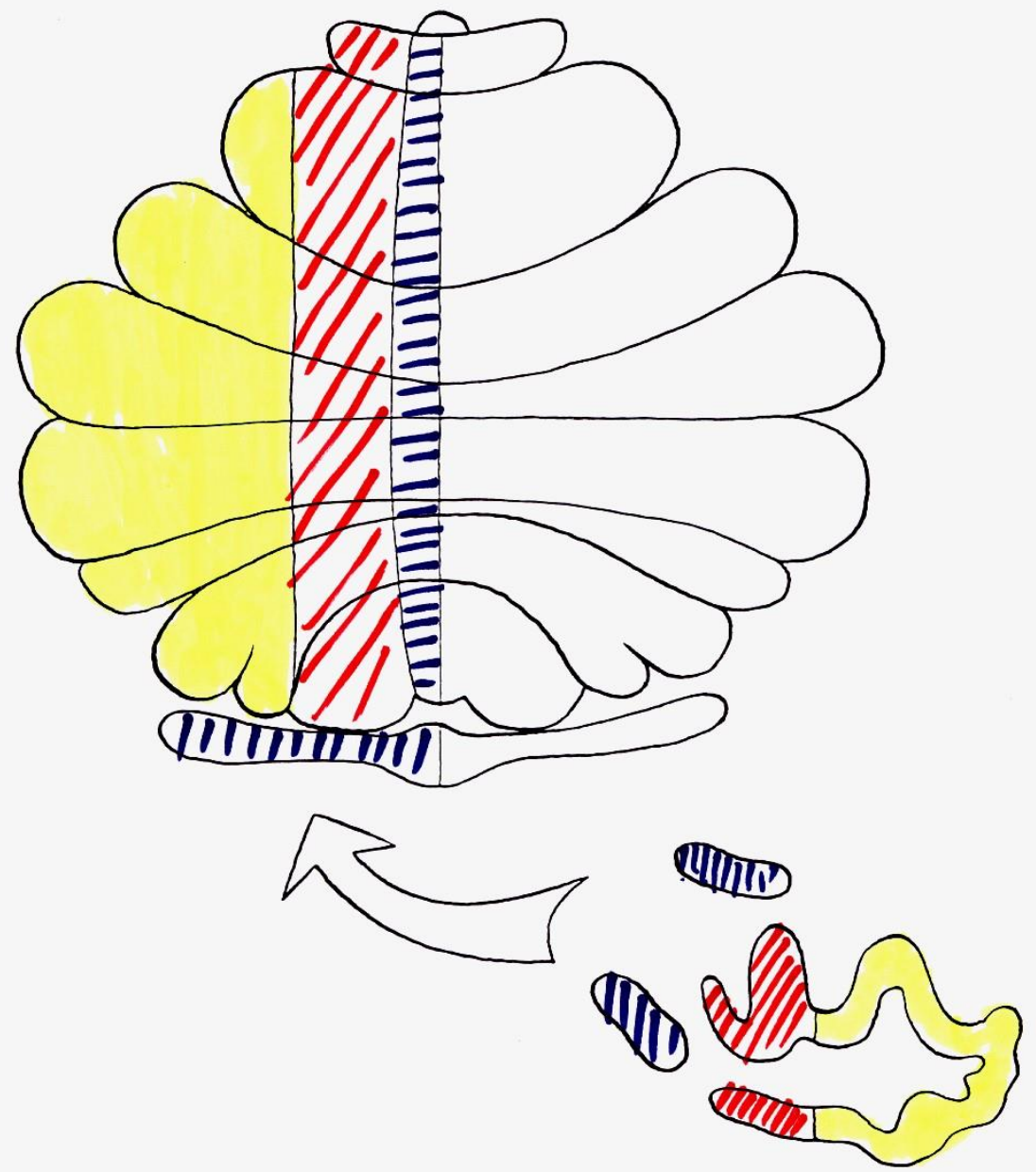


Abb. 264. Purkinjesche Zelle mit Kletterfaser  
(halbschematisch)

Šplhavá vlákna  
Olivocerebelární  
Projekce  
(zkřížená)

Climbing fibers

Šplhavá  
vlákna



Olivocerebellar  
projection

## AFFERENTS TO THE CEREBELLAR CORTEX II

- **Mossy fibers (Mechová vlákna)** - spinal cord, RF, pontine nuclei, ncll. of cranial nerves.
- End in the granular layer and each of which contacts large number of granular neurons. Granular cell axon contacts large number of P. c. via parallel fibers.
- Mossy fibers are excitatory (glutamate).
- Each mossy fiber influences many P.c. but the excitatory effect is weak. Many mossy fibers must be active together to provide sufficient excitation to fire a P.c.
- **Mossy fibers provide precisely graded information about movements, skin stimulations, joint position and about motor commands issued from the cerebral cortex.**

Cortico-pontine pathway, 17 millions fibers

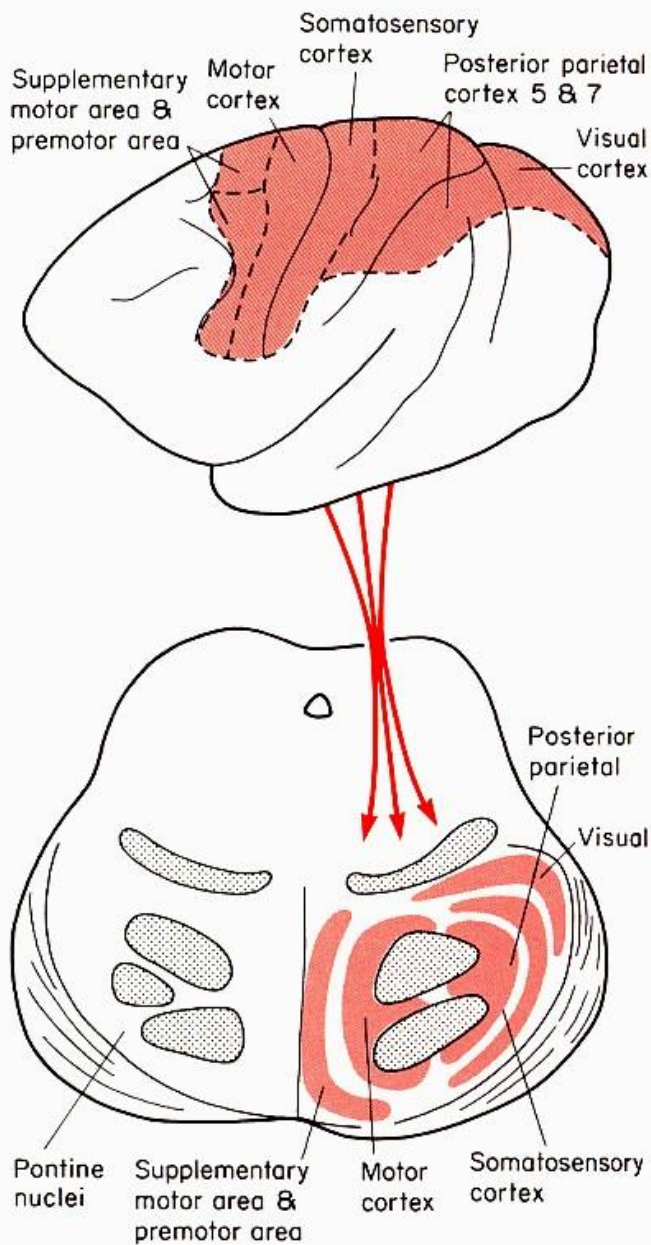
Neocortex –

ipsilat. pontine ncll. - pontocerebellar pathway –

contralateral cerebellar cortex (mossy fibers)

Pontocerebellar fibers = largest contingent of mossy fibers

SYSTEMS



Kortiko-pontinní dráha

17 milionů vláken

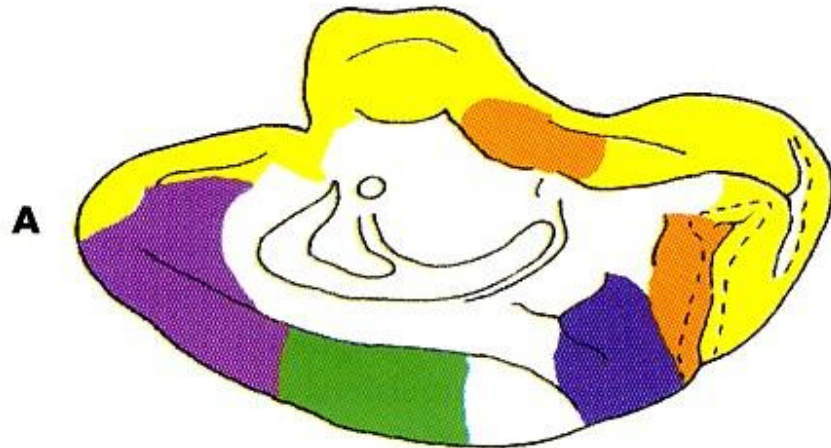
Neokortex – ipsilaterální pontinní jádra

Pontocerebelární dráha –

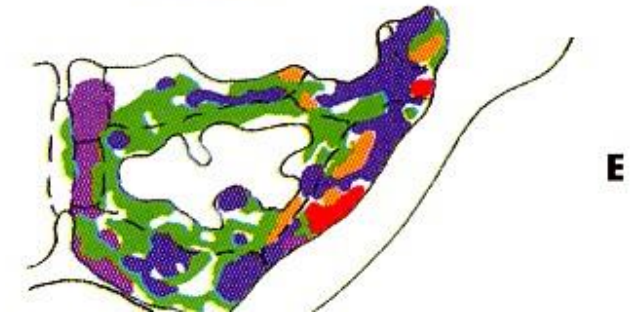
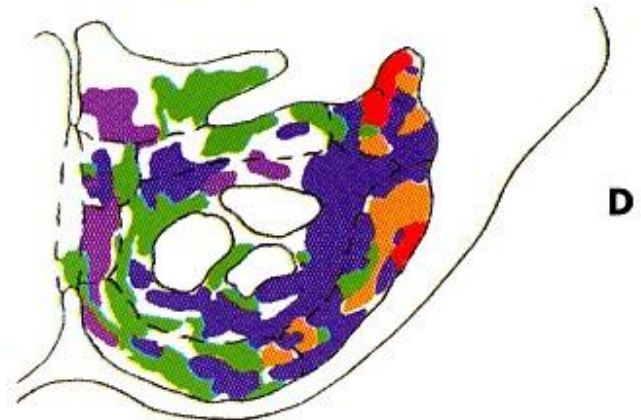
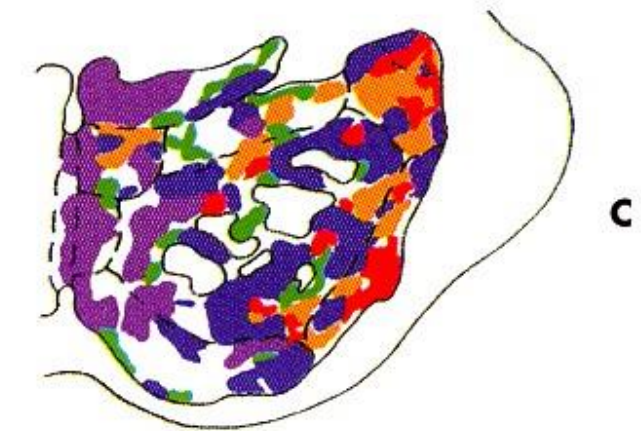
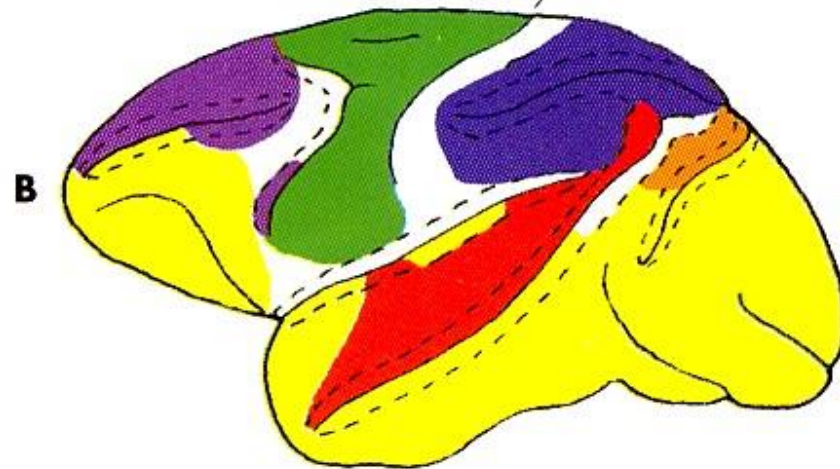
Kontralaterální mozečková kůra (mechová vlákna)

# Cortico-ponto-cerebellar pathway

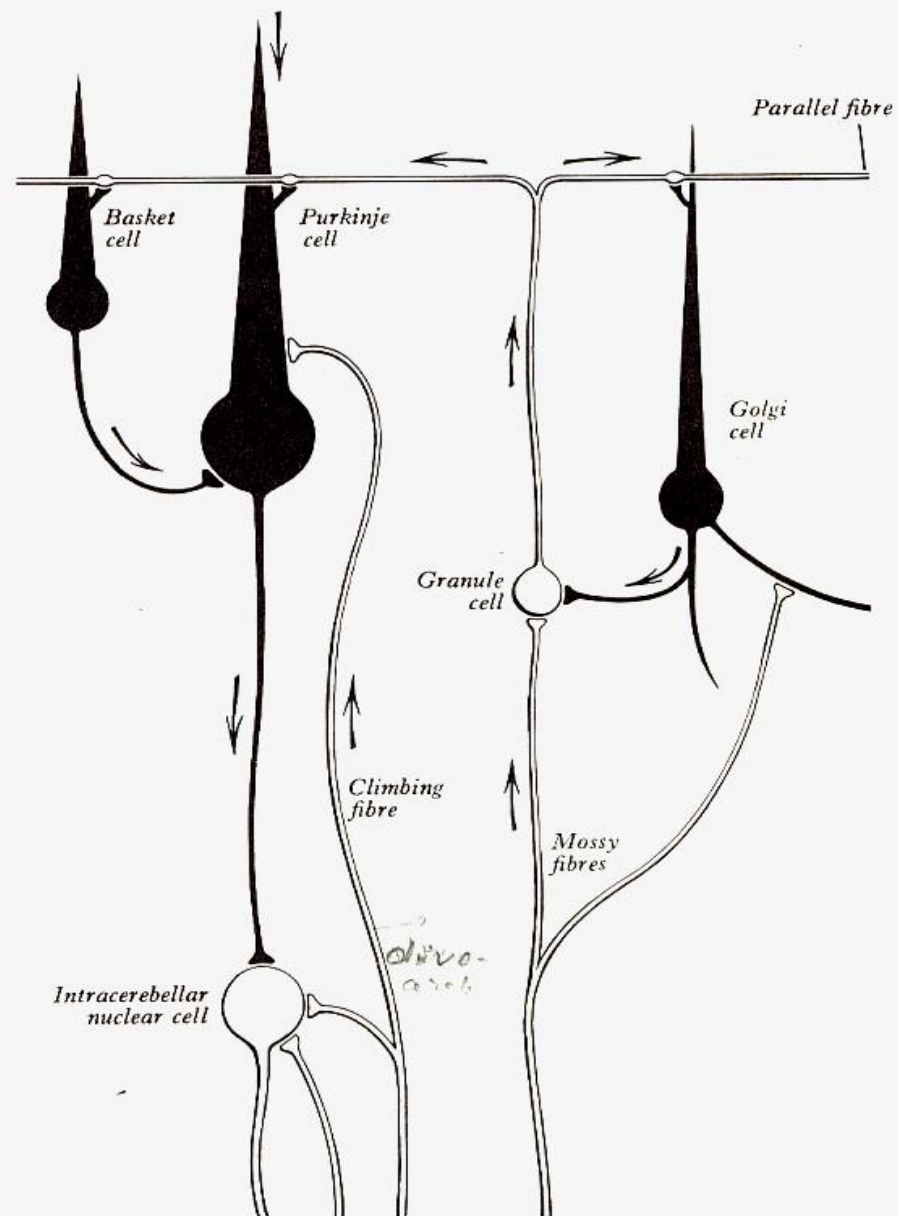
Cortico – ponto – cerebellar pathway



Central sulcus

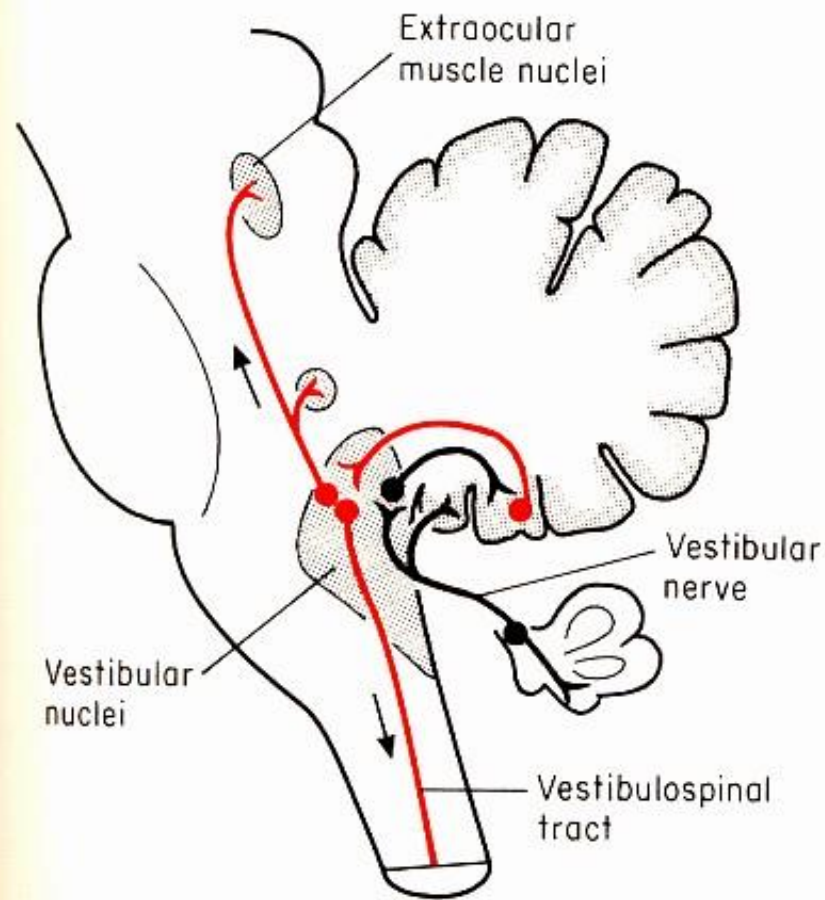


J. Eccles 1967  
Nobel Prize in  
Physiology and  
medicine 1963



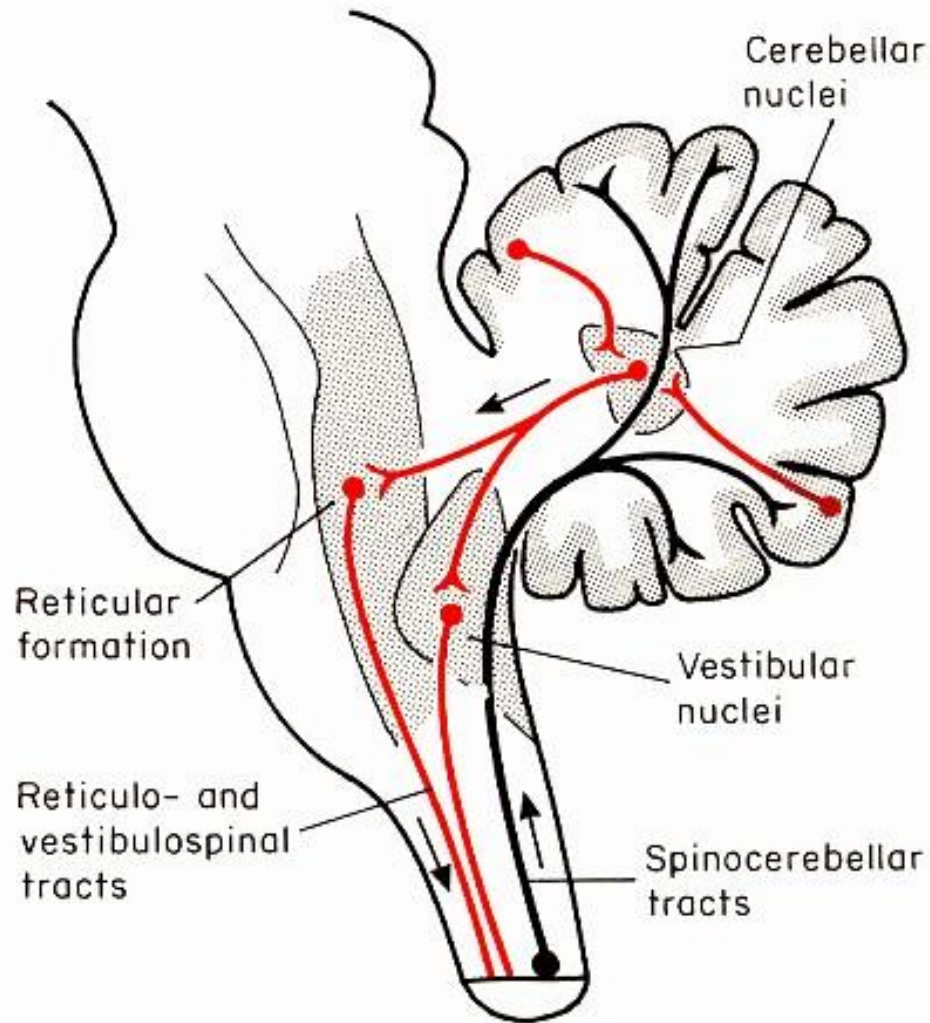
7.82 An analysis of the essential circuitry and synaptic contacts between the climbing and mossy afferent fibres, the main neuronal elements of the cerebellar cortex, and the neurons of the intracerebellar nuclei, based upon cytological and microelectrode studies. Excitatory cells, neurites and terminals are white surrounded by a black line; inhibitory elements are solid black. By courtesy of Professor J. C. Eccles.





**Fig. 11.3.** *The main connections of the vestibulocerebellum.* Afferents are shown in black and efferents in red in a schematic drawing of a sagittal section through the brain stem. Note primary and secondary vestibulocerebellar fibers and the projection back to the vestibular nuclei. In addition to afferents from the vestibulocerebellum, the vestibular nuclei also receive cerebellar afferents from the anterior lobe vermis and from the fastigial nucleus.

"SPINOCEREBELLUM"



**Fig. 11.4.** *The main connections of the spino-cerebellum.* Note that the spino-cerebellum can influence spinal motoneurons via reticulospinal and vestibulospinal pathways.

## **Efferent connections of the cerebellar cortex** **Eferentní spoje mozečkové kůry**

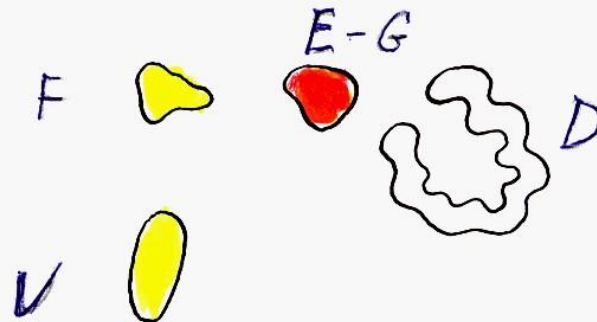
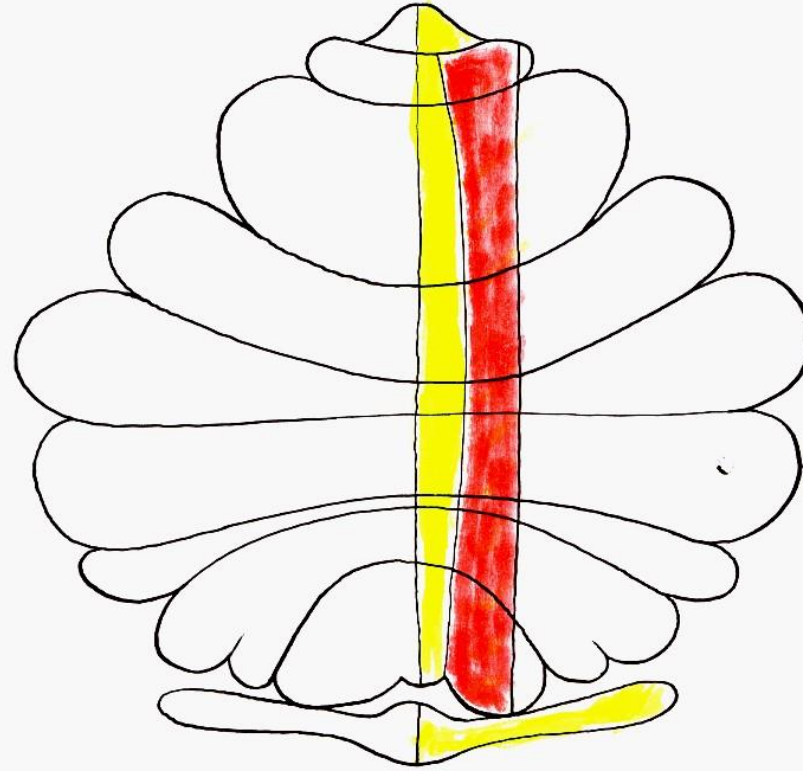
### **Cerebellar cortex – cerebellar nuclei**

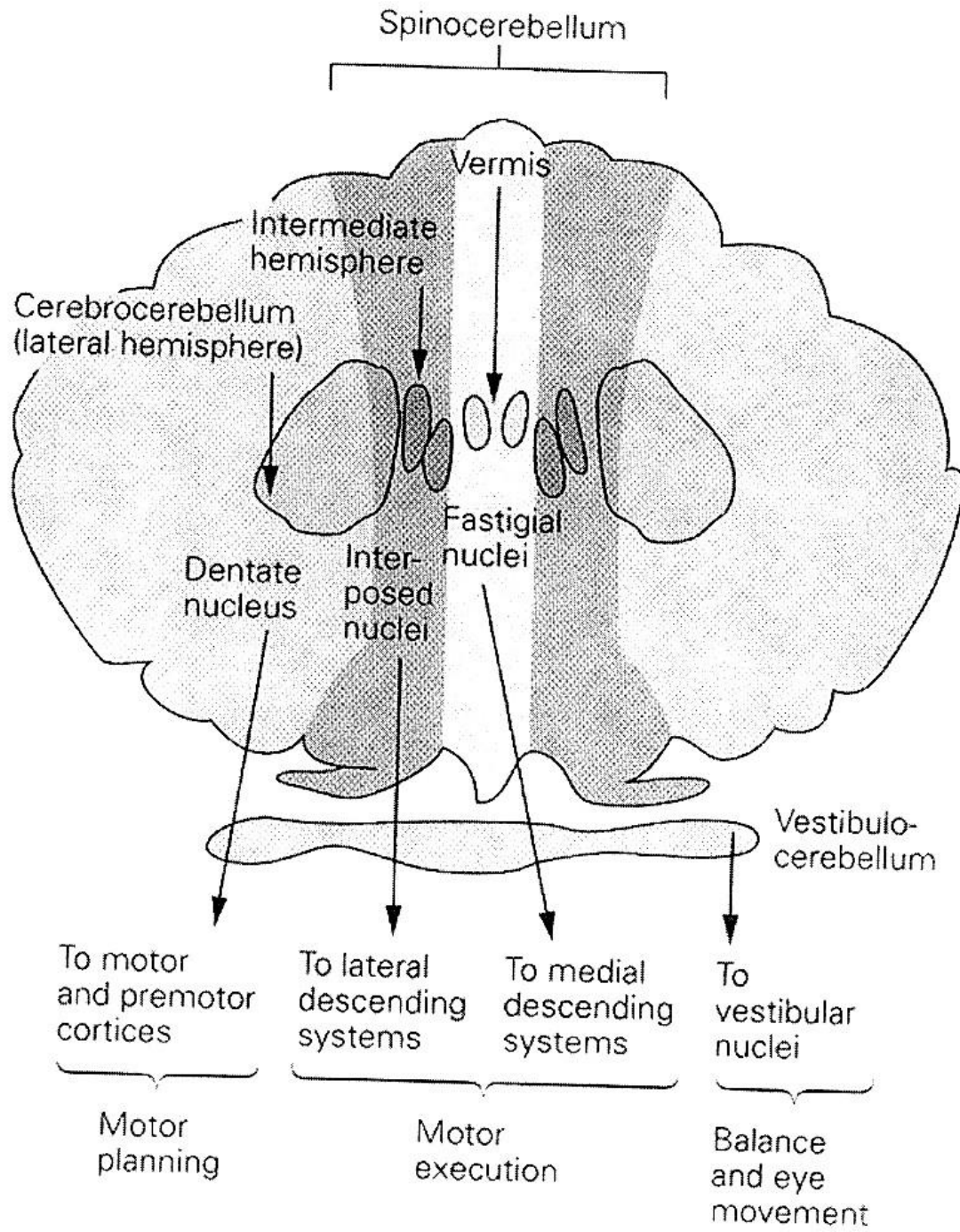
**vermis** – ncl. fastigii, ncll. vestibulares

**paravermal zone** – ncl. emboliformis, globosus.

**lateral hemisphere** – ncl. dentatus

# Corticonuclear projection





Spinocerebellum

Vermis

Intermediate hemisphere

Cerebrocerebellum (lateral hemisphere)

Fastigial nuclei

Dentate nucleus

Inter-posed nuclei

Vestibulocerebellum

To motor and premotor cortices

To lateral descending systems

To medial descending systems

To vestibular nuclei

Motor planning

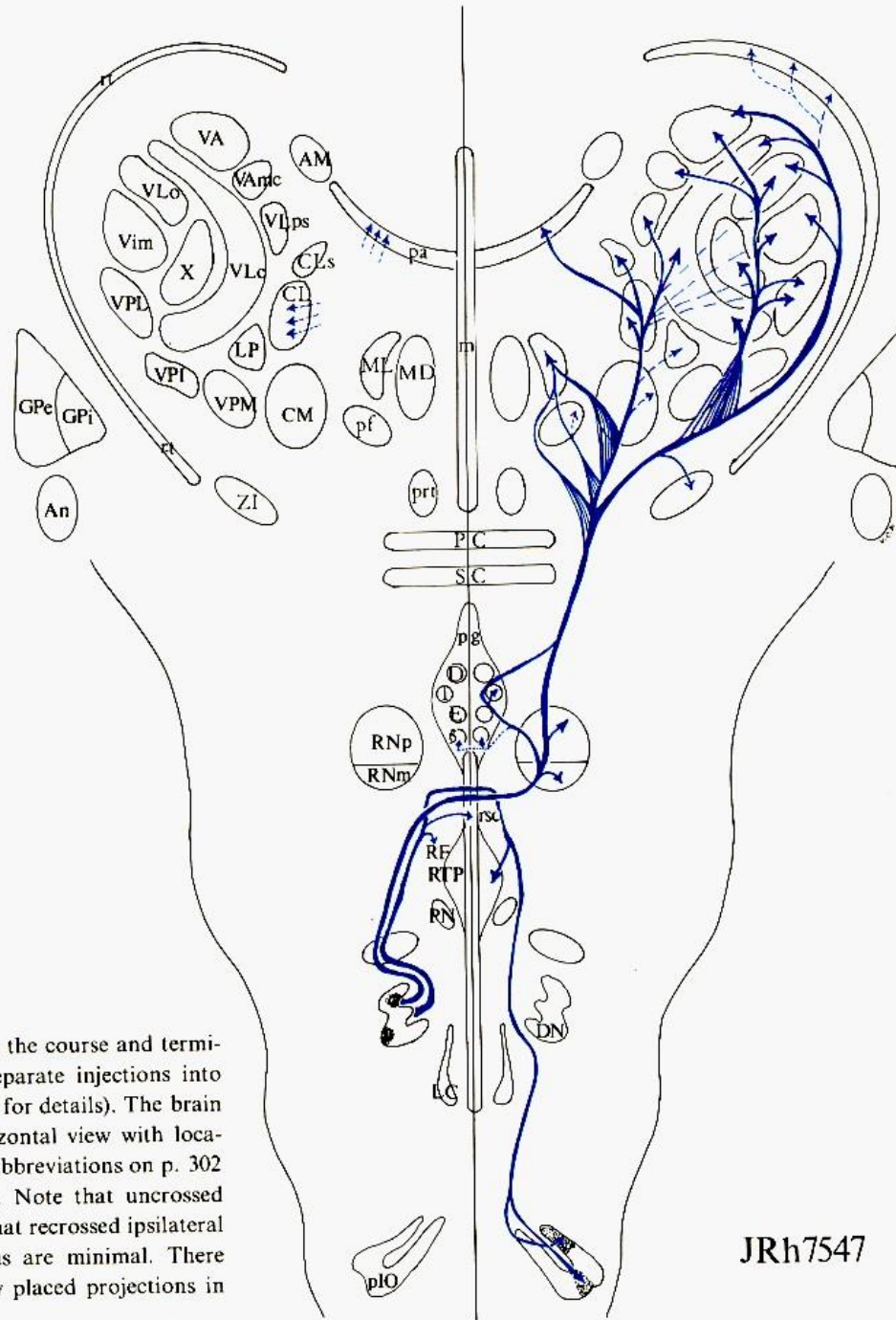
Motor execution

Balance and eye movement

# Efferent connections of the cerebellar nuclei

## Eferentní spoje mozečkových jader

- **Fastigial nucleus** – vestibular nuclei, reticular formation
- **Emboliformis + globosus nucleus** - reticular formation, ncl. ruber, thalamus
- **Nucleus dentatus** – ncl. ruber, contralateral thalamus  
(**ventrolateral nucleus**, intralaminar thalamic nuclei, ventral anterior nc.,
- **Ventrolateral nucleus (VL)** – **primary motor cortex (area 4)**



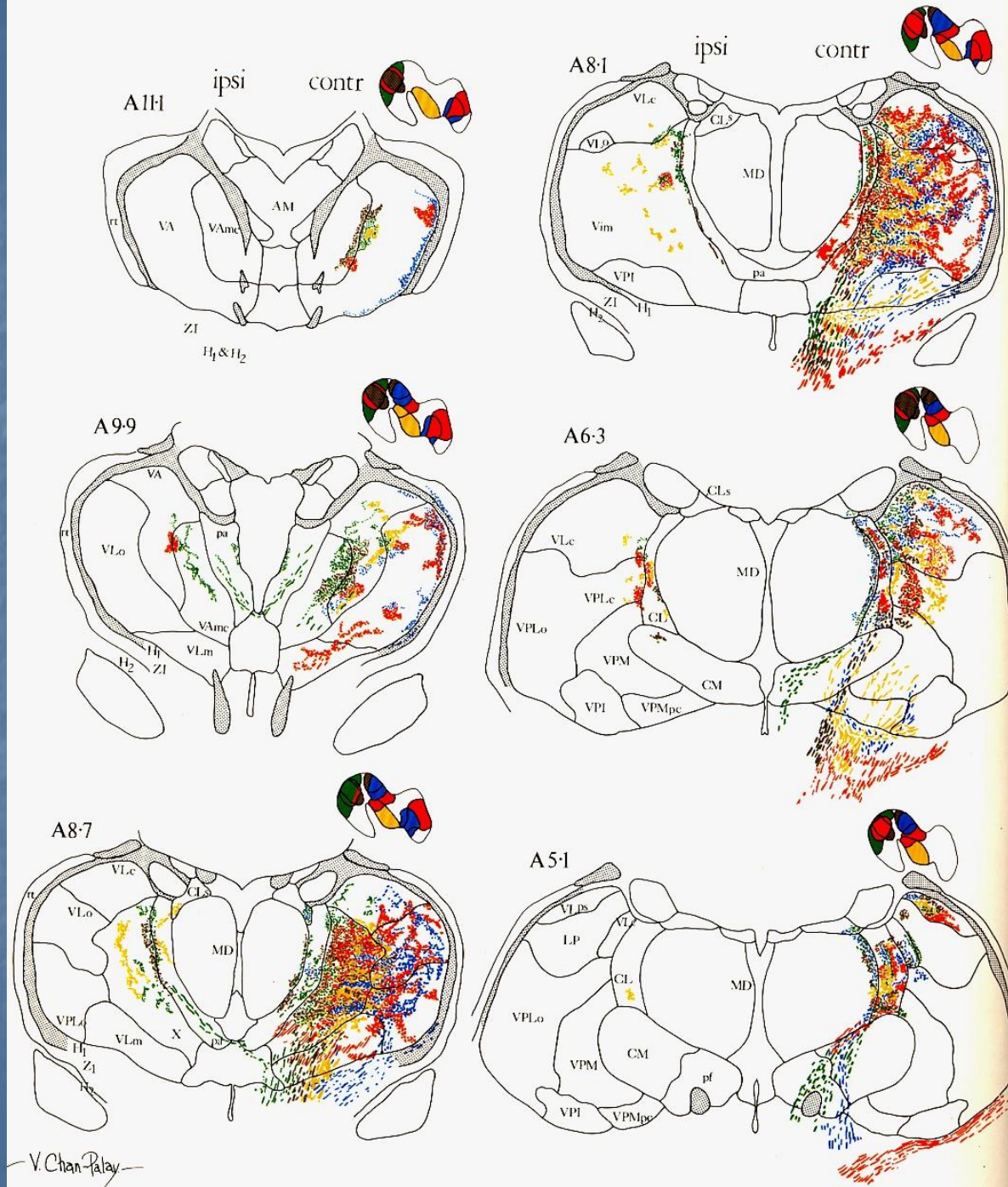
**Fig. 13-7c.** Summary diagram showing the course and terminations of labeled axons after two separate injections into the dentate nucleus, JRh 7547 (see text for details). The brain stem and thalamus are shown in horizontal view with locations of nuclei indicated according to abbreviations on p. 302 (Compare with Figs. 13-4c to 13-8c). Note that uncrossed ipsilateral projections are absent and that recrossed ipsilateral projections to the ipsilateral thalamus are minimal. There is a pronounced emphasis on laterally placed projections in the thalamus

JRh7547

# Thalamus

## Ncl. Ventralis Lateralis

Ncl. VL –  
Motor cortex



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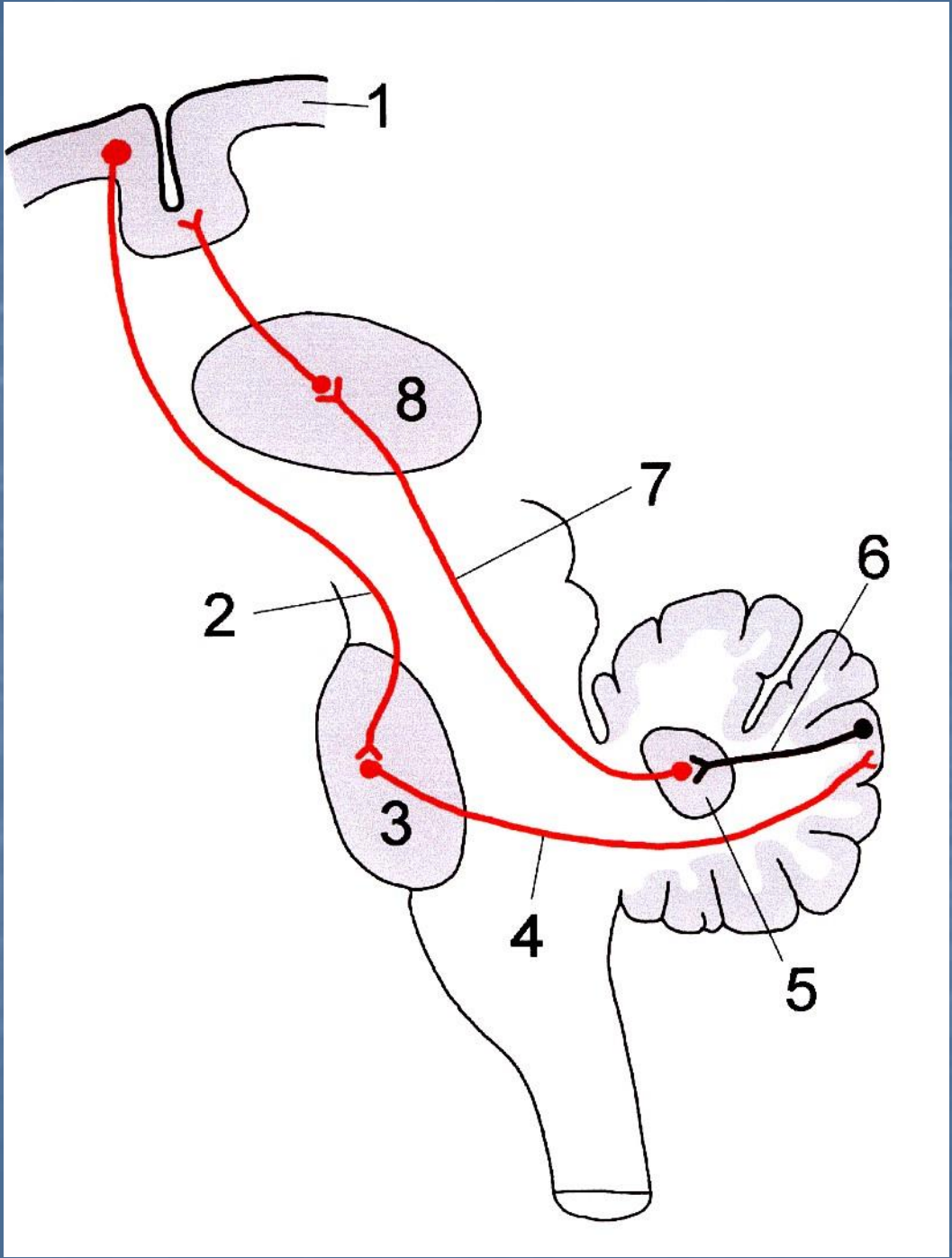
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Cortico-  
ponto-  
cerebello-  
cortical circuit

(Transcerebellar  
Circuit)



# Mozeček

- **Přijímá sensitivní signály, ale neúčastní se volní diskriminace, nebo interpretace**
- **Ovlivňuje motorické funkce, ale resekce mozečku nevyvolává obrny**
- **Stimulace mozečku nevyvolává pohyb**
- **Ovlivňuje kognitivní funkce, zejména motorické učení a vyšší mentální funkce (uvažování, plánování)**

# Mozečkové syndromy

- Vestibulární mozeček a vermis (zejména v lobus anterior) – poruchy rovnováhy, stoje a chůze, chůze o široké bazi, nystagmus
- Spinální mozeček – kontroluje axiální svalstvo a proximální svaly končetin. Při poškození zvýšení tonu extensorů.
- Pontinní mozeček (hemisféry) - přestřelování pohybů (hypermetrie, prst – lalůček, prst- špička nosu). Adiadochokinéza, třes (méně než 5 Hz- zhoršuje se na konci zacíleného pohybu), poruchy řeči a výslovnosti (dysartrie, skandovaná řeč), poruchy plánování, paměti, uvažování (kognitivní poruchy).
- Cerebellární kognitivně - afektivní syndrom (1998) – vermis, lobus posterior

## **CEREBELLUM**

- 1) Receives extensive sensory input, but is not involved in voluntary discrimination or interpretation**
- 2) Influences motor functions, but resection of the cerebellar cortex does not result in lasting paralysis**
- 3) Stimulation of the cerebellar cortex does not evoke movements**
- 4) Influences cognitive functions namely motor learning and higher mental functions**

# Paleocerebellar lesions

(syndrome)

## MIDLINE LESIONS

The midline portions of the cerebellum may be invaded by a tumor, typically a “medulloblastoma” that occurs in childhood. In adults, a similar syndrome may be seen in chronic alcoholism, which causes degeneration of the vermis. The patient has an unsteady, staggering **ataxic gait**, walks on a wide base, and sways from side to side. **Cerebellar nystagmus** is “pendular,” with eye movements of equal speed in both directions, usually in the horizontal plane. It is attributed to interruption of connections of the vermis with the ocular motor nuclei by way of the vestibular nuclei and the reticular formation. The signs are at first limited to a disturbance of equilibrium; however, additional cerebellar signs appear when a tumor invades other parts of the cerebellum.

equilibrium

## Neocerebellar syndrome (lesion of the hemisphere)

The following signs, in varying degrees of severity, are those of a neocerebellar syndrome. Movements are **ataxic** (intermittent or jerky). There is **dysmetria**; for example, when the patient reaches out with the finger to an object, the finger overshoots the mark or deviates from it (**past-pointing**). Rapidly alternating movements, such as flexion and extension of the fingers or pronation and supination of the forearm, are performed in a clumsy manner (**adiadochokinesis**). **Asynergy** is separation of smoothly flowing voluntary movements into successions of mechanical or puppet-like movements (**decomposition of movement**). There may be **hypotonia** of muscles, which also tire easily. Cerebellar **tremor**, which occurs most frequently with demyelinating lesions in the cerebellar peduncles, usually occurs at the end of a particular movement (**intention tremor**). **Dysarthria** is evident if asynergy involves muscles used in speech, which is then thick and monotonous (slurring; scanning speech). There may be nystagmus, if the lesion encroaches on the vermis. The deficits noted are superimposed

# Cerebellar - cognitive affective syndrome

- **Schmahmann and Sherman (1998) in patients with cerebellar lesions described CCAS**
- **Executive dysfunction (disturbances in planning, abstract reasoning, memory)**
- **Language symptoms (agrammatisms)**
- **Behavior – affective disturbances (blunting of affect, disinhibited and inappropriate behavior)**
  
- **Lesions of the cerebellum interrupt communication with the motor systems, association cortex.**
- **Psychiatric disorders result from midline vermis lesions (communication with the limbic system)**



THE END

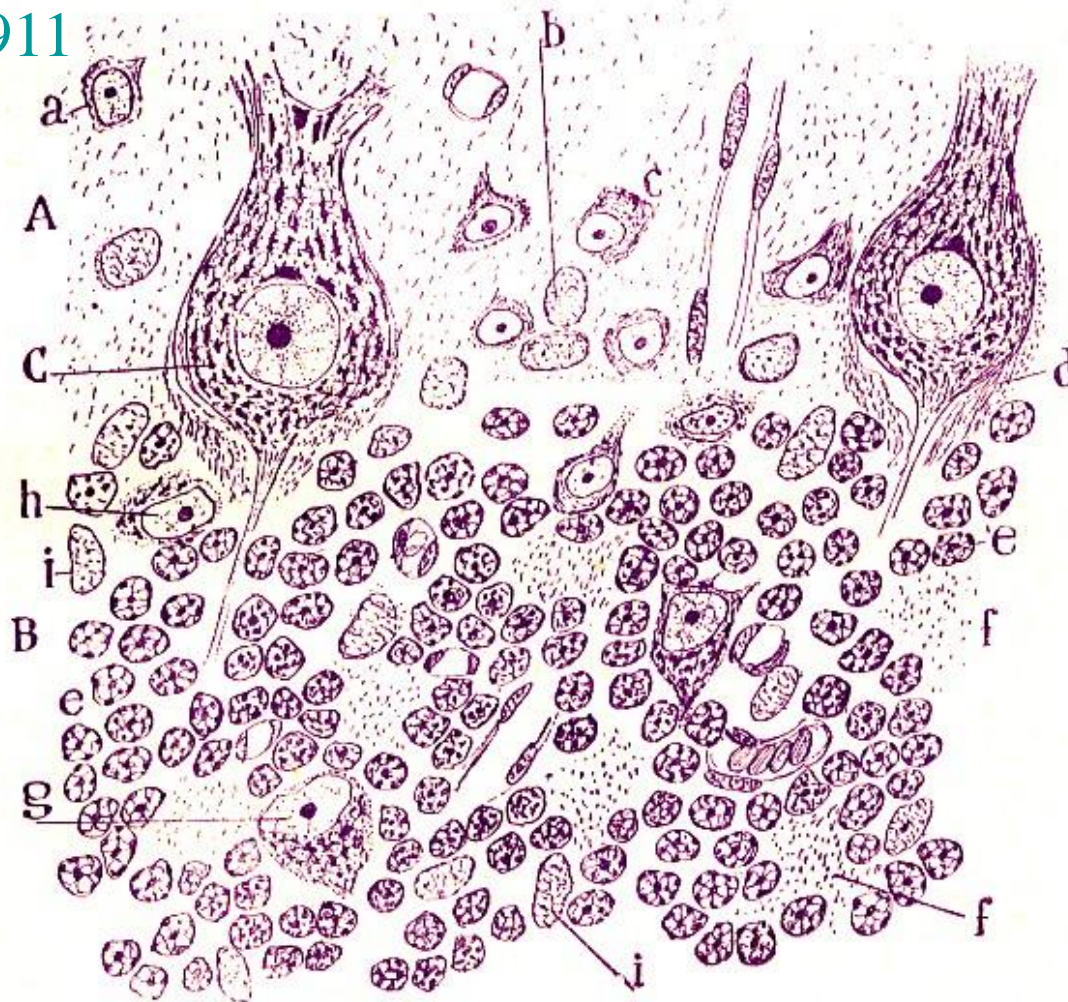
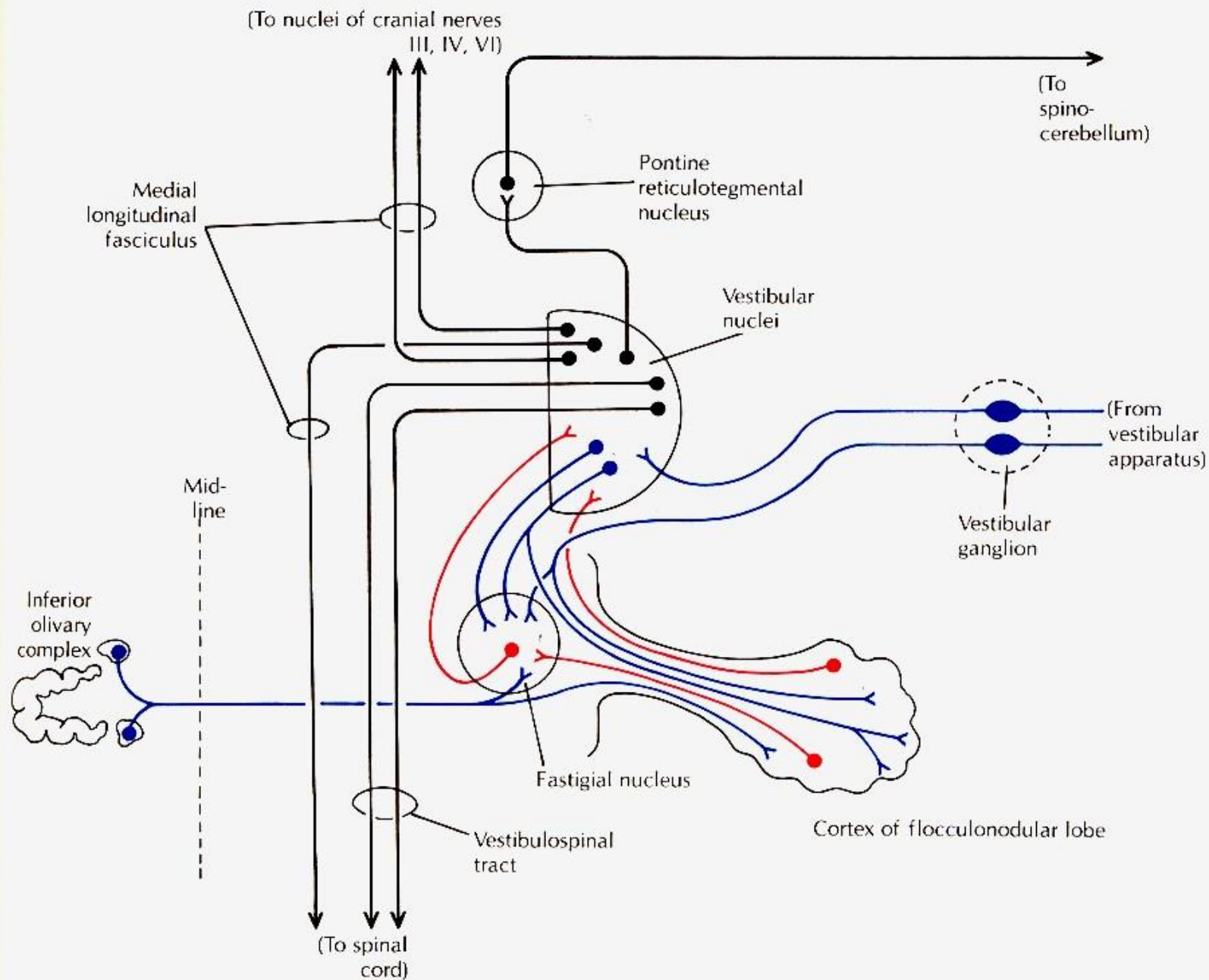


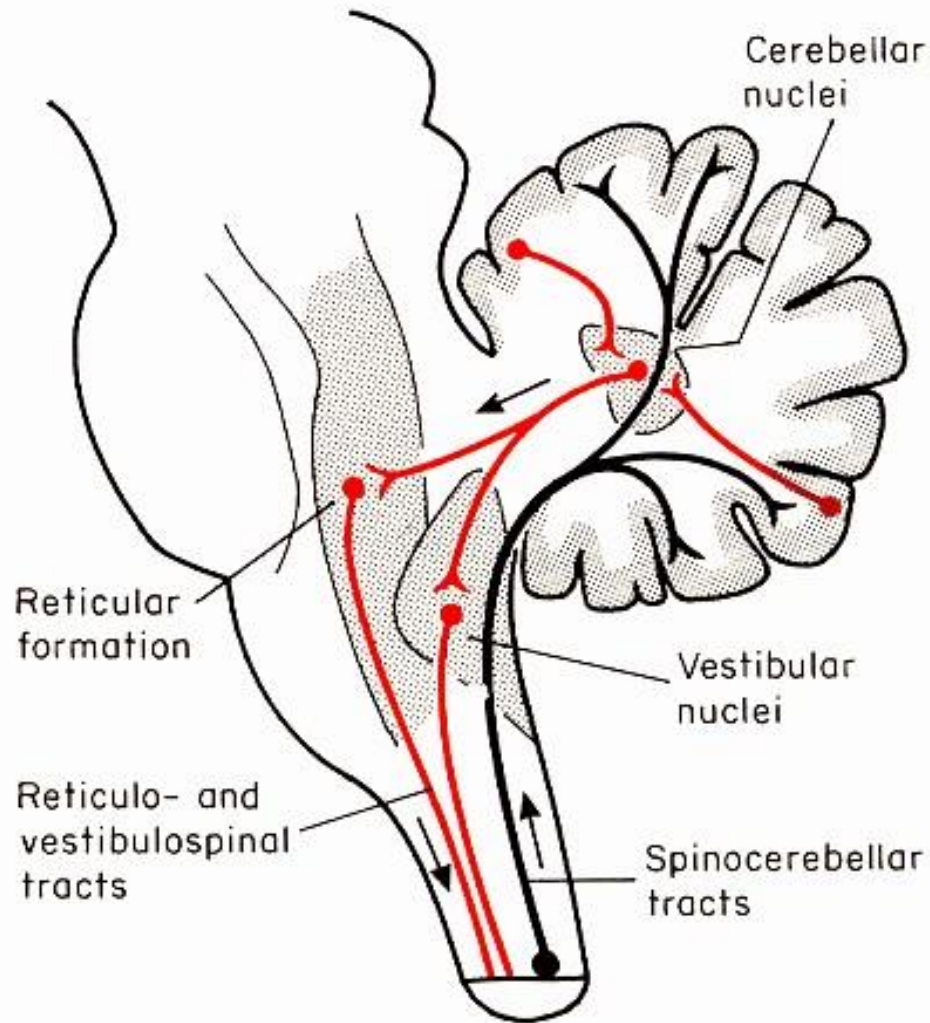
FIG. 1. — Portion d'une coupe de l'écorce du cervelet; homme adulte. Méthode de Nissl; obj. apochrom. 1,30.

A, région inférieure de la couche plexiforme; — B, couche des grains; — C, corps des cellules de Purkinje; — a, cellule étoilée de la couche plexiforme; — b, noyaux des cellules épithéliales; — c, autre cellule étoilée avec chromatine marginale; — d, masse fibrillaire correspondant aux corbeilles qui embrassent les corps des cellules de Purkinje; — e, noyaux des grains; — f, îlots granuleux ou cérébelleux; — g, h, cellules de Golgi ou à cylindre-axe court de la zone des grains; — i, noyaux des cellules névrogliales.

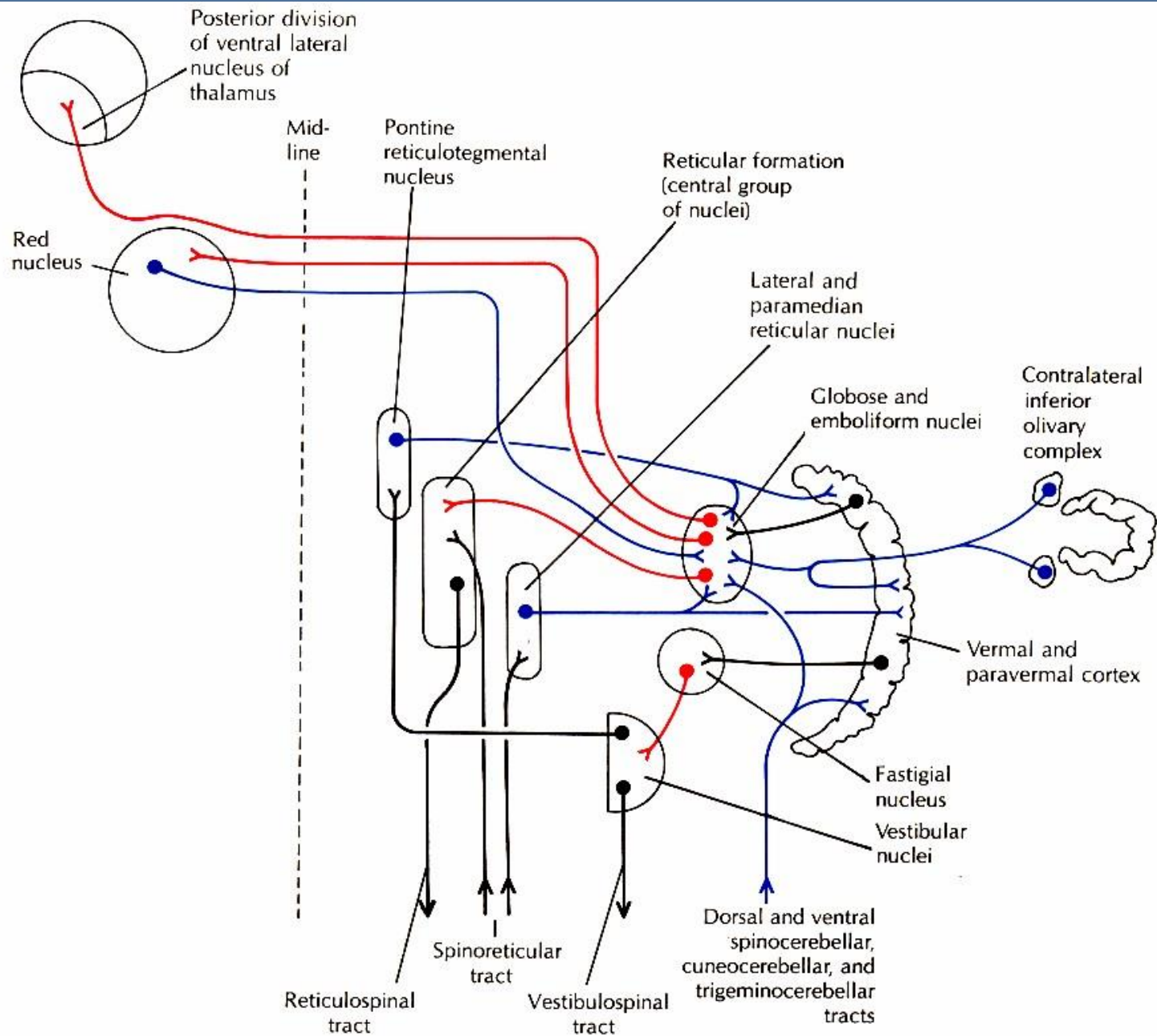


**Figure 10-13.** Connections of the vestibulocerebellum and vestibular nuclei.

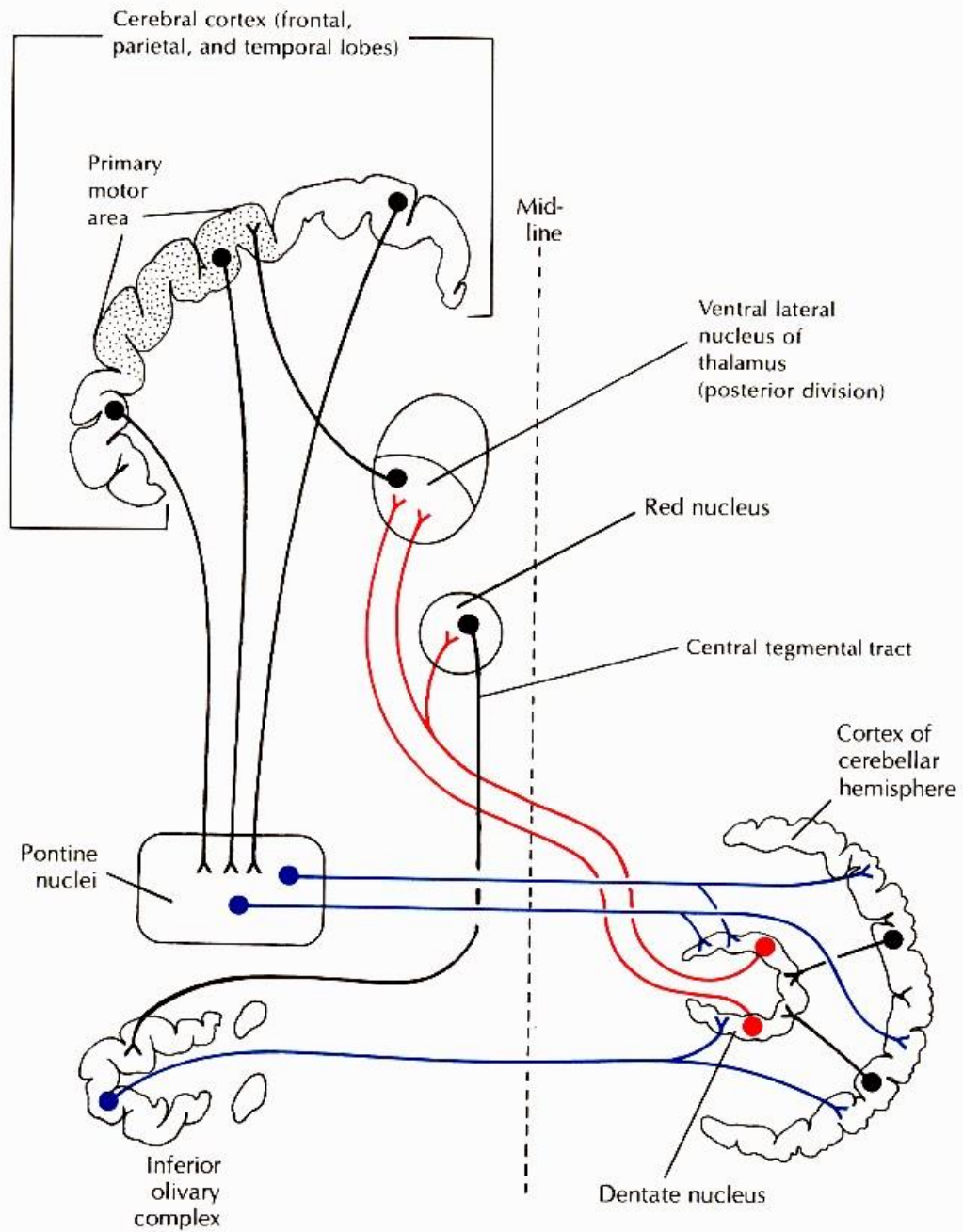
"SPINOCEREBELLUM"



**Fig. 11.4.** *The main connections of the spino-cerebellum.* Note that the spino-cerebellum can influence spinal motoneurons via reticulospinal and vestibulospinal pathways.

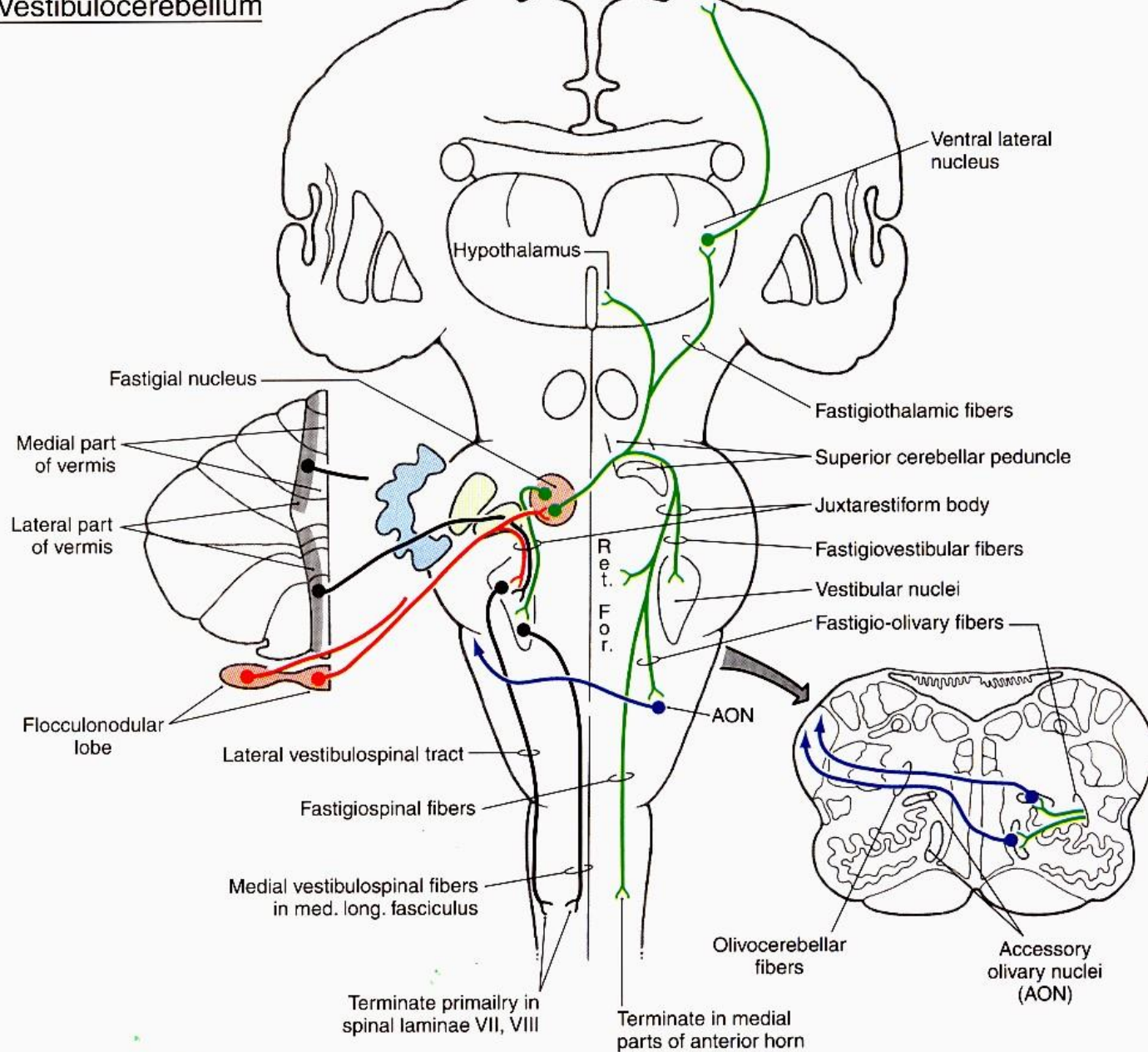


**Figure 10-14.** Connections of the spinocerebellum.

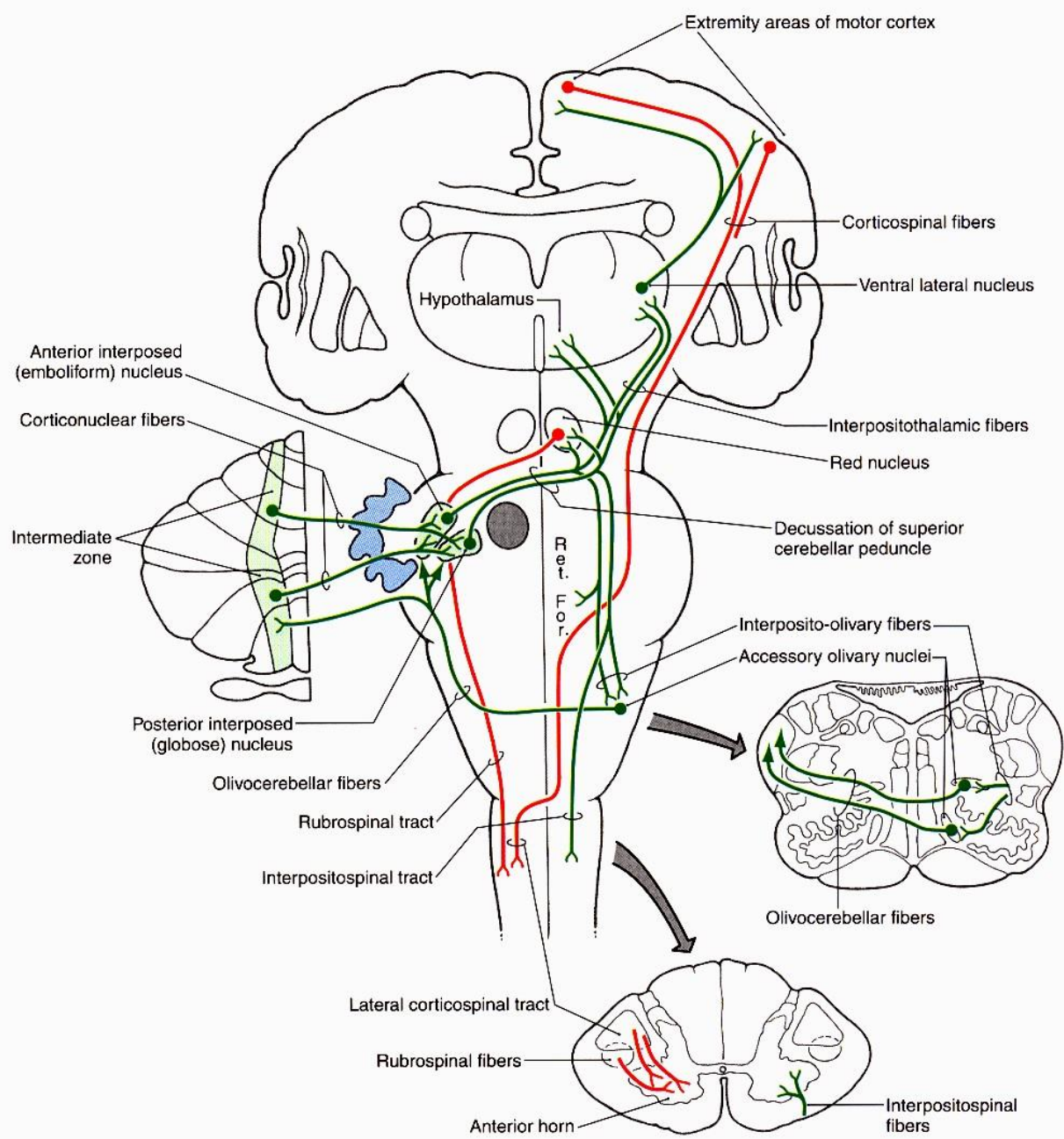


**Figure 10-15.** Connections of the pontocerebellum.

Vestibulocerebellum

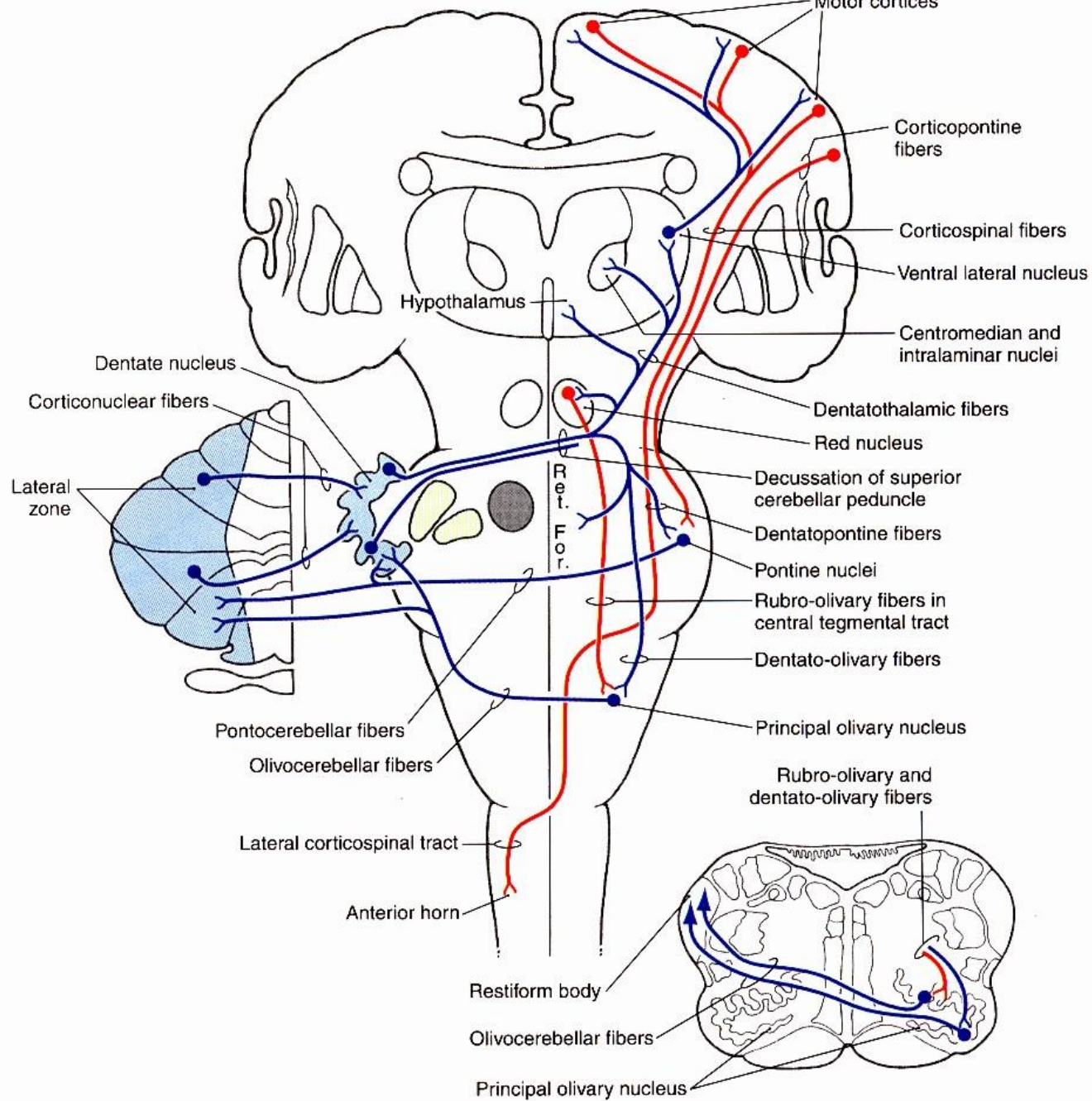


**Figure 27-14.** Projections of the vestibulocerebellum and of the lateral part of the medial zone through the fastigial vestibular nuclei. med. long., medial longitudinal; Ret. For., reticular formation.



**Figure 27-16.** Projections of the spinocerebellum (intermediate zone) through the emboliform and globose nuclei. Ret. reticular formation.





**Figure 27-17.** Projections of the pontocerebellum (lateral zone) through the dentate nucleus. Ret. For., reticular forma