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- > **Neurology** is the study of nervous system.
- Nervous system receives the information with regard to the changes in the environment (external and internal) of the body and in response regulates appropriate function.



Nervous system

- > The unit of the nervous system is the **neuron**.
- > A nerve cell with all its processes or parts is called a neuron.
- > The nerve cells have **two types of processes**.
- Axon: A long process which carries the impulse away from the cell body.
- Dendrons/ Dendrites: One or more short and branched processes which carry impulses towards the cell body.

➤Cell body: Generally contains a large nucleus, neuroplasm, neurofibrils, Nissl bodies (angular granules), mitochondria, Golgi apparatus, endoplasmic reticulum, ribosomes, inclusions, neurosecretary materials and cell membrane.

Classification of Neuron

- The Neurons are classified according to their number of processes, such as
- ➢ Apolar,
- ➢ Unipolar,
- > Bipolar,

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- > Pseudo-Unipolar
- > Multipolar, etc.



Classification of Neuron

- Neurons can be classified **according to relative lengths** of axons and dendrons.
- (a) Golgi type-I: The dendrites are short and numerous. The axons are long. Peripheral neurons and those forming tracts in CNS belong to this category.

(b) Golgi type-II: Axons are short and morphologically similar to those of dendrites. They are confined within grey matter and establish synaptic Golgi Type ii Neuron connections with other neurons.

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- Amacrine neurons: These are unusual neurons of retina and possess numerous neurites (terminal fibers of axon and dendrons) without axons.
- Efferent or motor fibers: The Axons or nerve fibers which carry impulses from the central nervous system (CNS) to periphery.
- > Affarent or sensory fibers: Those carry impulses to the CNS.

The motor neurons are generally multipolar and the sensory neurons are bipolar or unipolar in nature.

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Functionally the nervous system is divided into (a) Somatic nervous system and (b) Autonomic nervous system.

THANK YOU

