

A and P Chapter One Medical Word List

Roots

path/o: disease

epitheli/o: epithelium

sarc/o: flesh

lip/o: fat

erythr/o: red

chrom/o: color

system/o: system

cyt/o: cell

my/o: muscle

hist/o: tissue

som/o: body

carcin/o: cancer

kary/o: nucleus

cyan/o: blue

xanth/o: yellow

viscer/o: internal organs

leuk/o: white

neur/o: nerve

organ/o: organ

melan/o: black

onc/o: tumor

ethi/o: causes

Prefixes

dia: through, complete

hyper: above, excessive

meta: after, behind

pro: before

dys: difficult, painful, abnormal, bad

hypo: below, deficient

neo: new

Suffixes

-al, -ic, -ous: pertaining to

-genesis: origin, cause

-oid: resembling

-ology: study of

-gen: substance or agent that produces or causes

-cyte: cell

-genic: producing, causing

-ologist: one who studies

-oma: tumor

-pathy: disease

-plasm: material forming cells

-sis: state of

-itis: inflammation

-osis: abnormal condition

-plasia: formation, a growth

-sarcoma: malignant tumor

-stasis: control, stop