Anatomy

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- Study of the structure and shape of the body and its parts
- Observation is used to see sizes and relationships of parts

Types of Anatomy

Gross anatomy

- Large structures
- Easily observable
- Let's look at an example of gross anatomy using the digestive system organs



(i) Digestive System

Breaks food down into absorbable nutrients that enter the blood for distribution to body cells; indigestible foodstuffs are eliminated as feces.

Types of Anatomy

Microscopic anatomy

- Structures are too small to be seen with the naked eye
- Cells and tissues can be viewed only with a microscope

 Let's look at an example of microscopic anatomy using a digestive system organ, the stomach



Physiology

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Study of how the body and its parts work or function

Relationship Between Anatomy and Physiology

- Structure determines what functions can occur
 - For example, the air sacs of the lungs have very thin walls, a feature that enables them to exchange gases and provide oxygen to the body

Levels of Structural Organization

- Six levels of structural organization
 - 1. Atoms
 - 2. Cells
 - 3. Tissues
 - 4. Organs
 - 5. Organ systems
 - 6. Organisms







Atoms



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Atoms combine to

form molecules.



