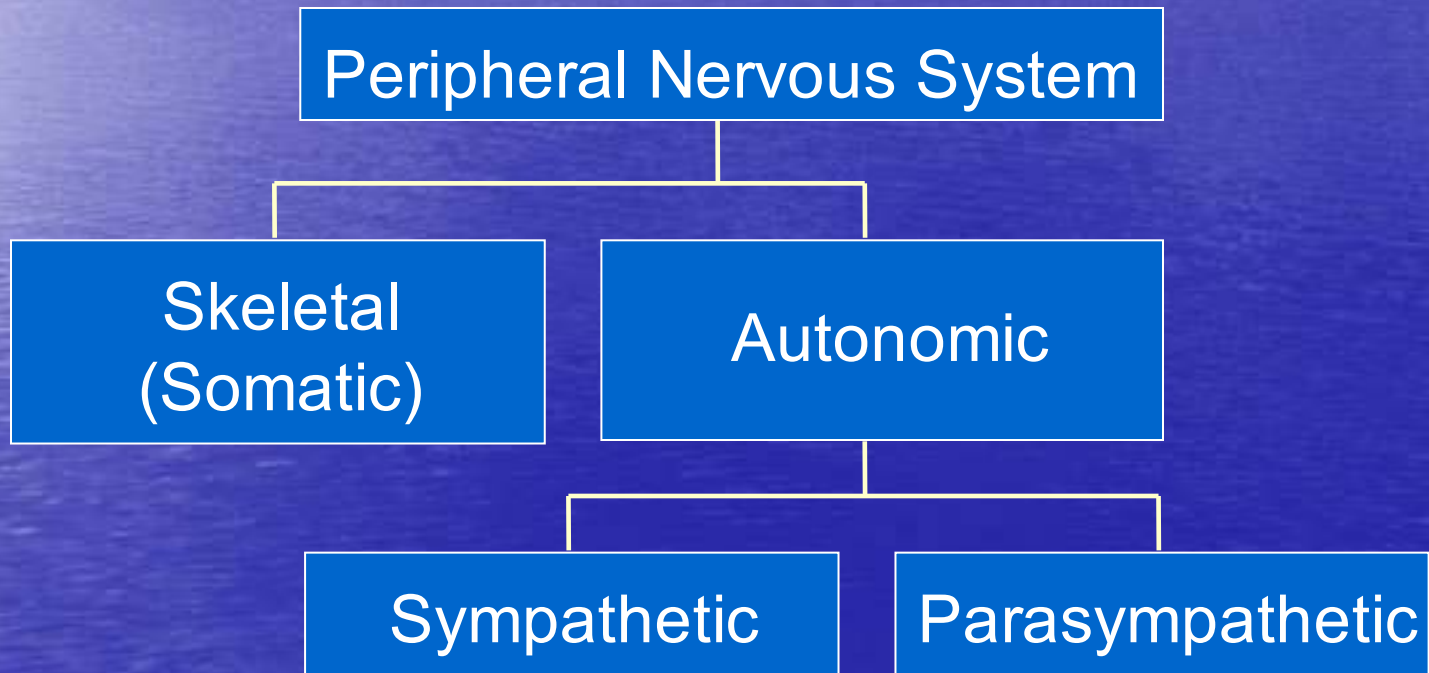


Peripheral Nervous System



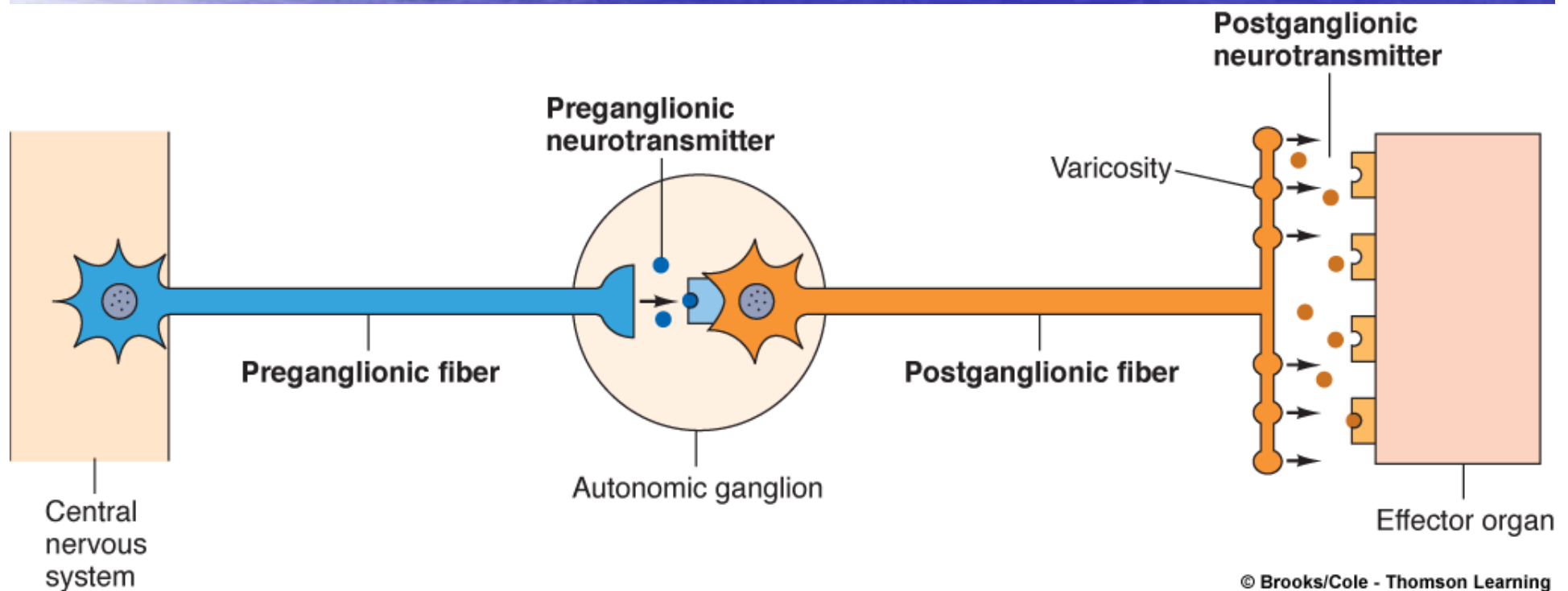
AUTONOMIC NERVOUS SYSTEM

innervates cardiac, smooth muscle, exocrine glands/some endocrines

releases neurotransmitters: acetylcholine and norepinephrine.

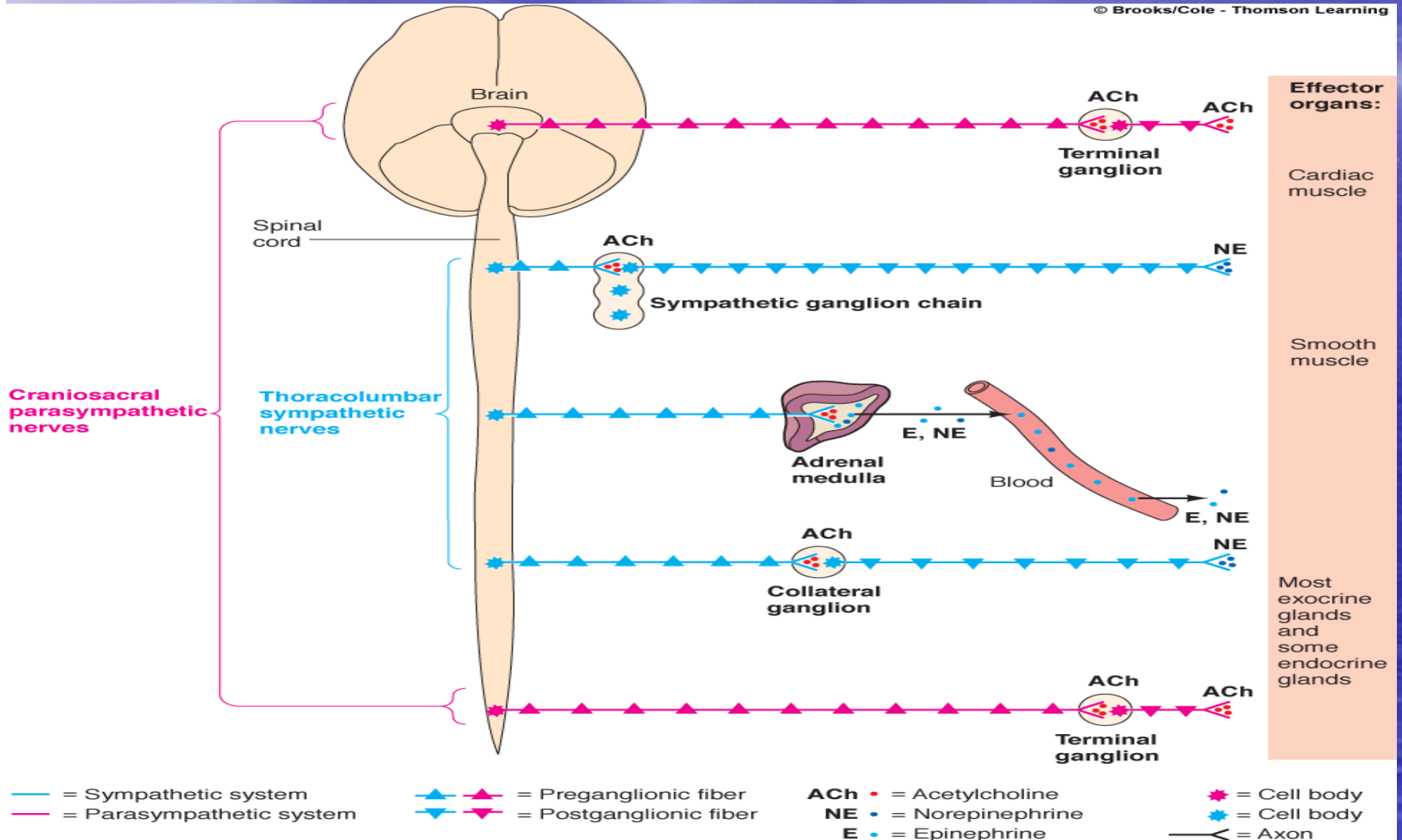
Sympathetic NS – thoracolumbar outflow, ganglia near CNS

Parasympathetic NS – CranioSacral outflow, ganglia near effector organs.



The preganglionic fibers of both branches of the ANS release Ach.
 Parasympathetic postganglionic fibers release ACh.
 Sympathetic postganglionic fibers release noradrenalin

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Autonomic Nervous System

- Can be divided into:

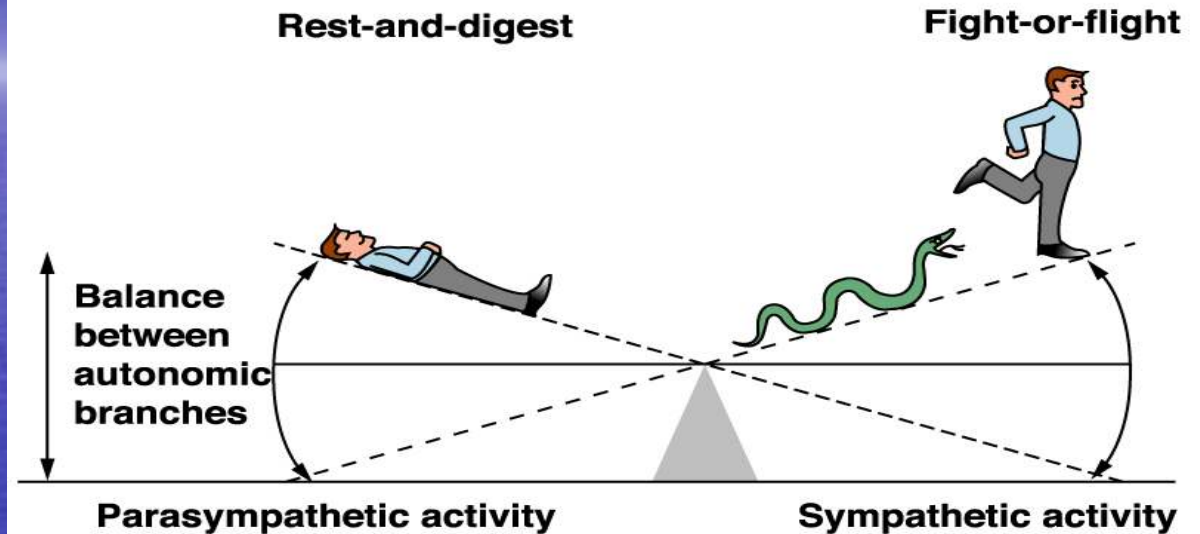
Sympathetic Nervous System

- “Fight or Flight”

Parasympathetic Nervous System

- “Rest and Digest”

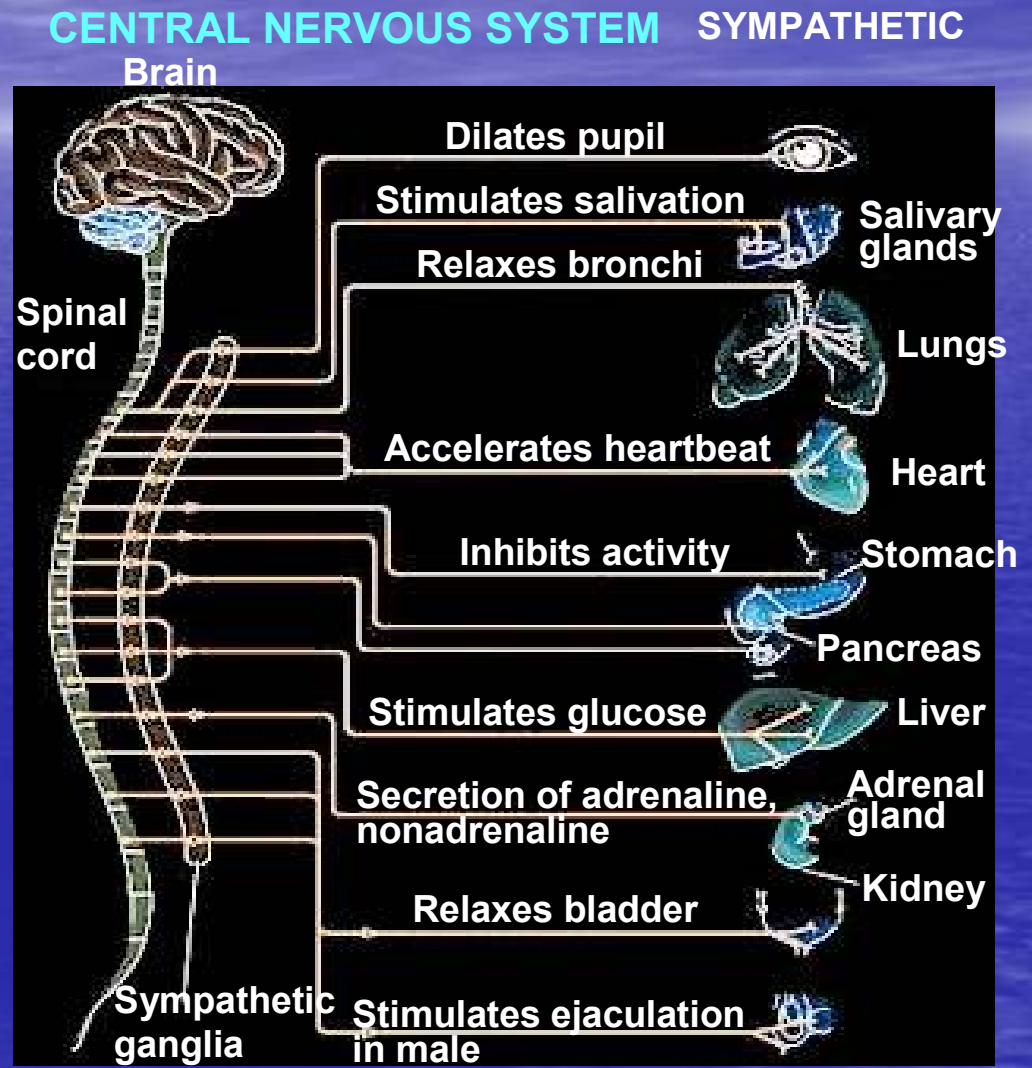
- Control involuntary functions
 - heartbeat
 - blood pressure
 - respiration
 - perspiration
 - digestion



- *Maybe influenced by thought and emotion*

Sympathetic

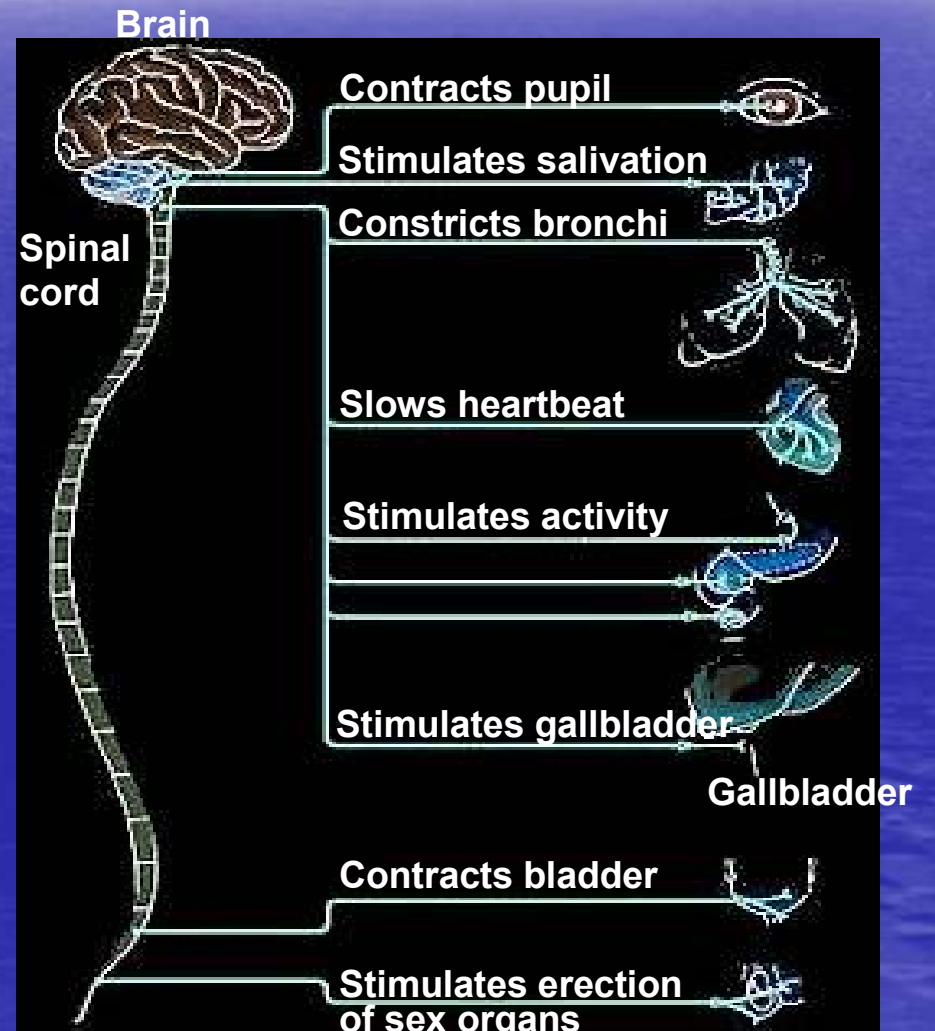
- “ Fight or flight” response
- Release adrenaline and noradrenaline
- Increases heart rate and blood pressure
- Increases blood flow to skeletal muscles
- Inhibits digestive functions



Parasympathetic

- “ Rest and digest ” system
- Calms body to conserve and maintain energy
- Lowers heartbeat, breathing rate, blood pressure

CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM PARASYMPATHETIC



Sympathetic **Vs** Parasympathetic

- Sympathetic

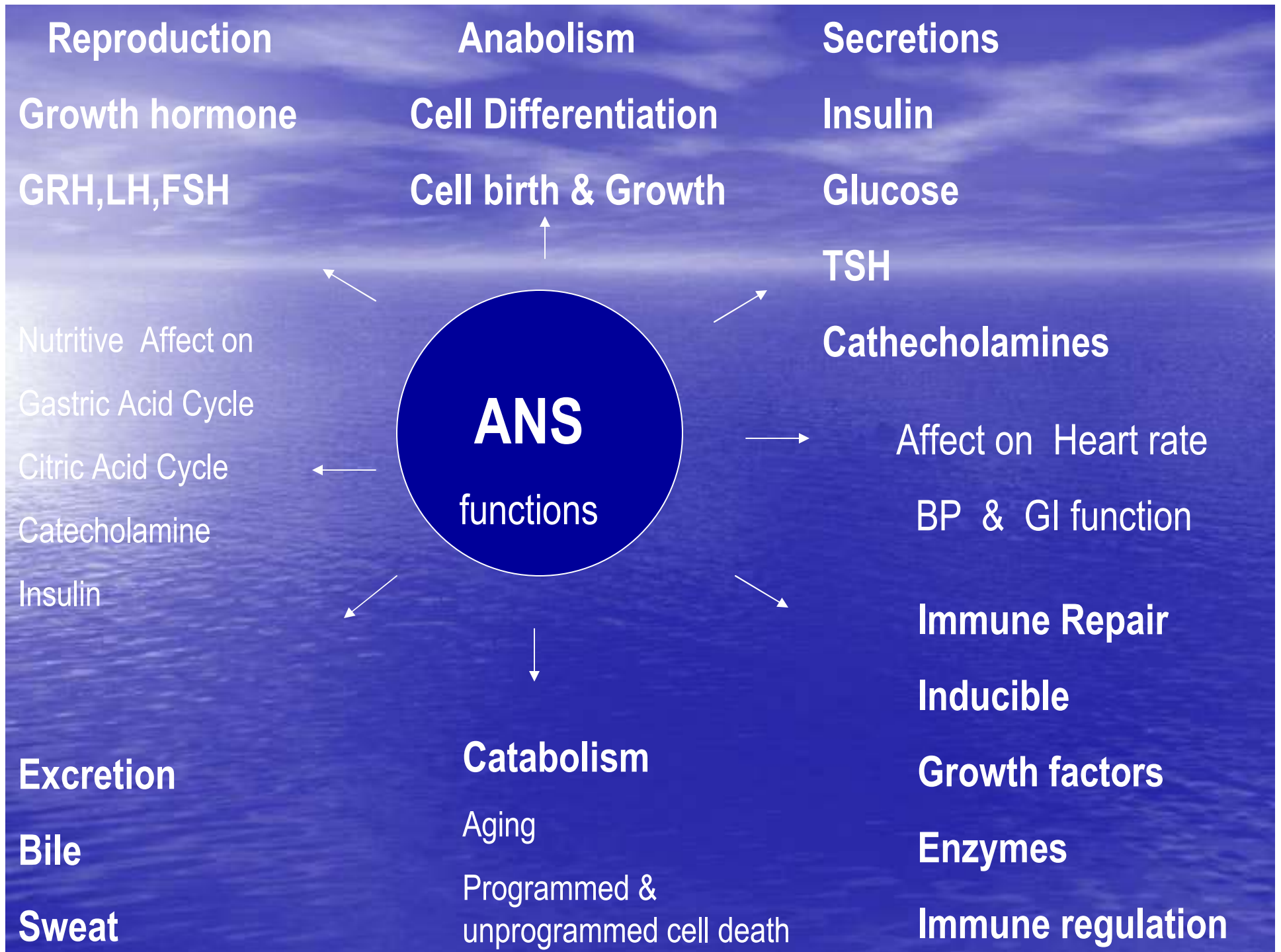
- Prepares for “fight or flight” response
- Increases blood flow to skeletal muscles
- Chained ganglia

- Parasympathetic

- Calming effect
- Increases blood flow to organs
- Cell bodies near organ innervated

	Parasympathetic	Sympathetic
Pupil of the eye	Constricts; reduces light to retina	Dilates; increases light to retina
Skin blood vessels	Dilates; skin warm	Constricts; skin cool
Salivary glands	Stimulate saliva secretion	Inhibit saliva secretion
Bronchial airways	Constricts reducing air intake	Relaxes or increases air intake

	PARASYMPATHETIC	SYMPATHETIC
Heart beat	Inhibits reducing blood pressure	Stimulates increasing blood pressure
Adrenal gland	No effect	Stimulates release of adrenaline (increase heart beat and blood sugar)
Stomach, pancreas, small & large intestines	Stimulates activities	Inhibits activities
Urinary bladder	Stimulate urination	Inhibit urination
Sexual Activity	Causes Arousal	Causes Orgasm



- The visceral organs receive dual innervation. They are signaled by both subdivisions of the ANS. Responses range from circulation and digestion to sweating and urination.

