

smooth muscle (*smooth---mus---cle*)

Definition

n. A type of muscle tissue in the walls of internal organs such as the stomach, intestine, bladder, and blood vessels, excluding the heart, characterized by its non-striated appearance.

Example Sentence

Smooth muscle helps move food through the digestive system.

More Example Sentences

The contraction of **smooth muscle** in blood vessels regulates blood pressure.

Synonyms

involuntary muscle; non-striated muscle; visceral muscle

Antonyms

skeletal muscle; cardiac muscle; striated muscle

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