

Neuroscience Word Origins

Many neuroscience words come from the Greek or Latin language. Can you guess the original meaning of the neuroscience words? Draw a line from each word in **column A** to the picture in **column B** that illustrates the original meaning of the word. Early neuroscientists who gave structures these names usually used words that they thought looked like certain brain structures. For example, in the list below, the "arachnoid" of the brain reminded scientists of a spider's web, so they named it with the Greek word referring to spiders.

Column A

Arachnoid

Astrocyte

Cauda equina

Cochlea

Dendrite

Hippocampus

Insula

Malleus

Pineal

Pons

Column B

