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$$(1a) \quad y_t = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 y_{t-1} + \beta_0 x_t + \beta_1 x_{t-1} + \epsilon_t,$$

where $\epsilon_t \sim \text{iid}(0, \sigma^2)$ and $|\alpha_1| < 1$ (see Hendry, Pagan, and Sargan 1984).

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First consider a static equilibrium defined, as above, as an environment in which all change has ceased, recalling that we are treating (y_t, x_t) as jointly stationary. The long-run values are given by the unconditional expectations of the form $E(y_t)$ in (1a). Defining $y^* = E(y_t)$ and $x^* = E(x_t) \forall t$, we have, since $E(\epsilon_t) = 0$,

$$y^* = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 y^* + \beta_0 x^* + \beta_1 x^*,$$

and hence

$$y^* = \frac{\alpha_0 + (\beta_0 + \beta_1)x^*}{(1 - \alpha_1)} \equiv k_0 + k_1 x^*,$$

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or

$$E(y_t) = k_0 + k_1 E(x_t).$$

Then k_1 is the *long-run multiplier* of y with respect to x .

Now subtract y_{t-1} from both sides of (1a) and then add and subtract $\beta_{\text{UNDEFINED: SUB_TEXT}} x_{t-1}$ on the right-hand side to get ¹

$$(1b) \quad \Delta y_t = \alpha_0 + (\alpha_1 - 1)y_{t-1} + \beta_0 \Delta x_t + (\beta_0 + \beta_1)x_{t-1} + \epsilon_t$$

and finally add and subtract $(\alpha_1 - 1)x_{t-1}$ on the right side, yielding

$$(1c) \quad \begin{aligned} \Delta y_t = & \alpha_0 + (\alpha_1 - 1)(y_{t-1} - x_{t-1}) + \beta_0 \Delta x_t \\ & + (\beta_0 + \beta_1 + \alpha_1 - 1)x_{t-1} + \epsilon_t. \end{aligned}$$

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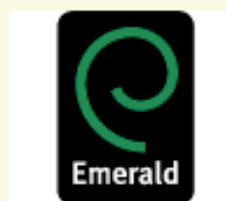
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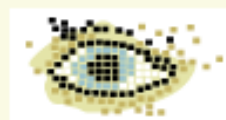
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$$E(y_t) = k_0 + k_1 E(x_t).$$

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Now subtract y_{t-1} from both sides of (1a) and then add and subtract $\beta_{\text{UNDEFINED: SUB_TEXT}} x_{t-1}$ on the right-hand side to get ¹

$$(1b) \quad \Delta y_t = \alpha_0 + (\alpha_1 - 1)y_{t-1} + \beta_0 \Delta x_t + (\beta_0 + \beta_1)x_{t-1} + \epsilon_t$$

and finally add and subtract $(\alpha_1 - 1)x_{t-1}$ on the right side, yielding

$$(1c) \quad \begin{aligned} \Delta y_t = & \alpha_0 + (\alpha_1 - 1)(y_{t-1} - x_{t-1}) + \beta_0 \Delta x_t \\ & + (\beta_0 + \beta_1 + \alpha_1 - 1)x_{t-1} + \epsilon_t. \end{aligned}$$

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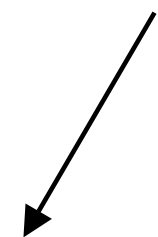
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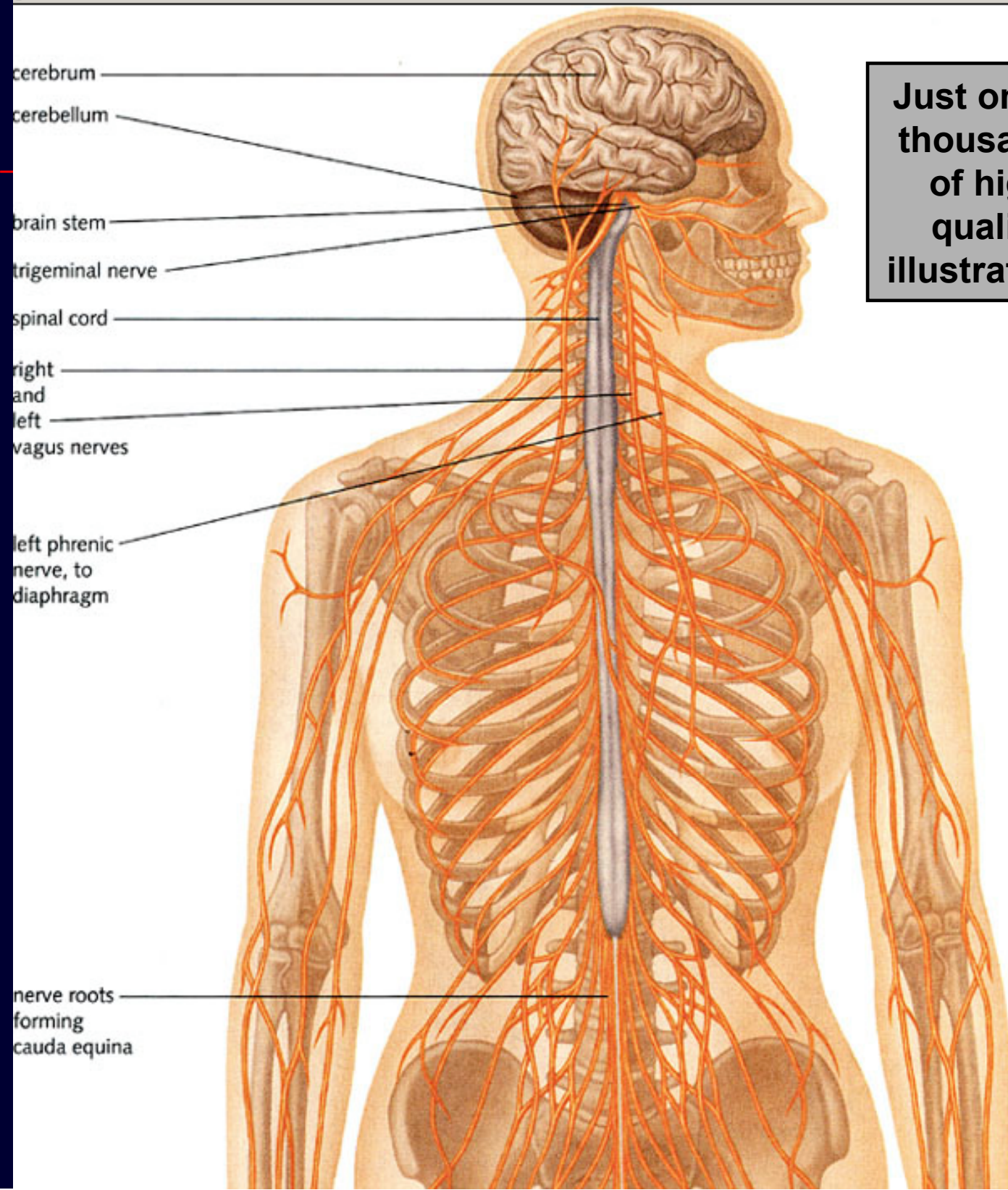
Other cell types are necessary to support the neurons. **Blood vessel** blockage can be looked upon as an enormous series of 'chains' or circuits of neurons, each receiving excitatory and inhibitory impulses from other neurons, and each sending impulses along its axon if the balance of incoming signals is in favour of excitation. A large percentage of the human race will die from disease of the **blood vessels**, and many more people will be permanently handicapped, especially by **stroke** (blockage or rupture of blood vessels).

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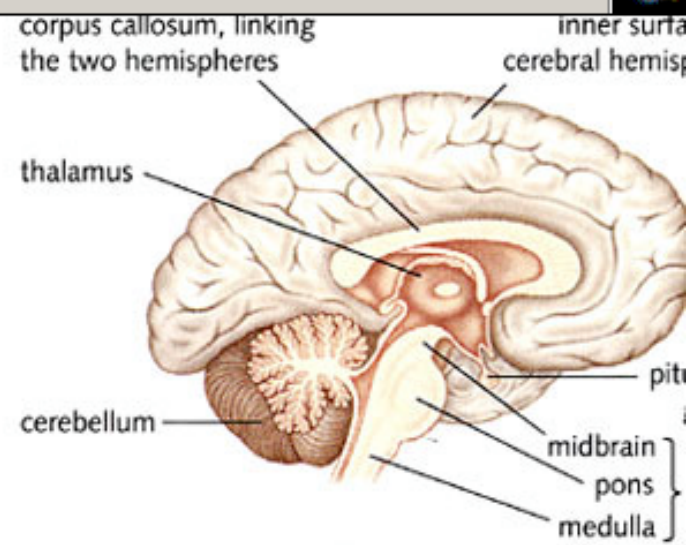
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In the PNS, groups of, usually several, axons are bundled together into *nerve trunks*. Individual axons are well protected and peripheral nerves are fairly flexible. They even stretch somewhat, which is necessary if they run near a limb joint, or when a surgeon wishes to suture together two divided nerve stumps. Larger nerves have their own tiny blood vessels.

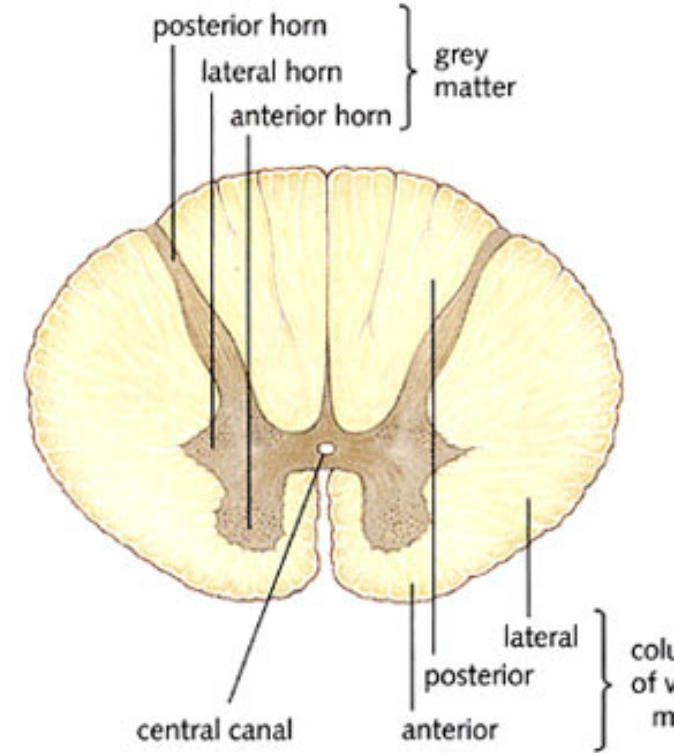
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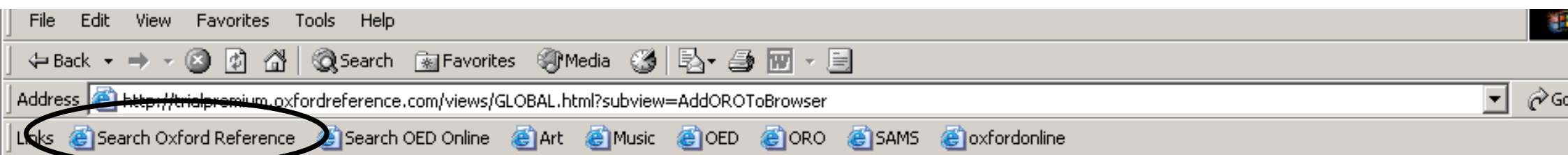
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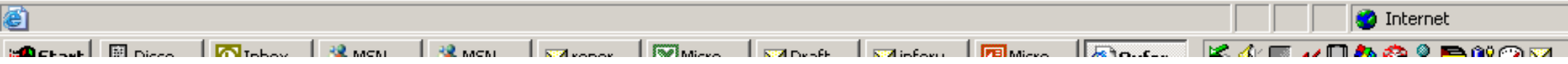
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