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Myoepithelial Cell

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A contractile cell found between the secretory cells and basement membrane of exocrine glands. Each myoepithelial cell has long cytoplasmic processes that wrap around a secretory unit. The contraction of the myoepithelial processes forces the secretory product from the secretory unit into its duct.