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Capillary

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Definitions

Blood vessels

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Glucose

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The smallest of the body's **blood vessels**. Oxygen and **glucose** pass through capillary walls and enter the cells. Waste products such as carbon dioxide pass back from the cells into the blood through capillaries.