

Urinary/Excretory System Prefixes, Suffixes and Roots

Suffix, Root, Prefix	Definition	Example
-pasty	Surgical repair	Arthroplasty, osterplasty
Aug-	Increase	Augmentation
Carcin-	Cancer	Carcinoma, carcinogen
-centesis	Surgical puncture	Amniocentesis, thoracentesis
Cleav-	To divide	Cleavage
Embol-	Stopper	Embolism
Enter-	Intestines	Enterococcal infection
Fiss-	Split	Fissure
Glott-	Language	Polyglot, epiglottis
Kal-	Potassium	Hyperkalemia
-magaly	Enlargement	Acromegaly
Mort-	Death	Mortal wound, mortality
Nephr-	Kidney	nephron
Oligo-	Few	Oligodendrites
-opsy	To view	Autopsy
Palp-	Feel or touch	palpate
Proct-	Rectum	Proctologist
Ren-	Kidney	Renal failure
Scend-	Climb	Ascend, descend