

# ENDOCRINE ANATOMY

## Section I - Overview of Endocrine Anatomy

I. Endocrine structures include the following:

- A. Hypothalamus
- B. Pituitary gland: anterior pituitary, intermediate pituitary, and the posterior pituitary
- C. Thyroid gland
- D. Parathyroid gland (4 structures posterior to the thyroid)
- E. Kidneys
- F. Adrenal glands
- G. Pancreas
- H. Testicles
- I. Ovaries

II. To understand endocrine anatomy, the physiologic role of each of these structures must be fully understood. For this, see the physiology chapter.

