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Pi, Psi, Pi, & Rho) pp 206–211

psychros/a/on = cold (cf. kryos p 179), e.g. psychotherapy

pteron = wing, e.g. pterodactyl, helicopter

ptōsis = a falling, ptōma = fallen body, corpse
e.g. symptom, ptomaine, carpopptosis

ptyein = to spit, e.g. ptyalism

pyelos = pelvis, e.g. pyelonephritis, pyelotomy

pylē = gate, e.g. pylon, pylorus

pyon = pus, e.g. pyorrhea, pyogenesis

pyr/pyros = fire, pyretos = fever,
e.g. pyrotechnic, pyrogen, pyro-

Greek Letter Rho, P)

rhēgnuein = to break, -rrhagia = bleeding,
e.g. hemorrhage

rhaptein = to sew, + ōdē (song) = rhapsode,
e.g. -rhaphy

rhecin = to flow, rheuma/rheumatosis = flowing,
e.g. diarrhea, gonorrhea, rheumatism, pyorrhea

rhis/rhinos = nose, e.g. rhinitis,

otorhinolaryngo-, rhinoceros

rhiza = root, e.g. rhizoid, rhizotomy

rhodon = rose

rhombos = spinning top in shape of rhombos

**rhythmos = regular recurring motion,
e.g. rhythm, -rhythmia**

Greek Letter Sigma

sakcharon = sugar < Sansrit śarkarā

**salpinx/salpingos = trumpet, used now for tube,
either Fallopian or Eustachian, cf. salpingoophoritis
vs. salpingopharyngeal**

sarx/sarkos = flesh, e.g. sarcophagus, sarcoma

sauros = lizard, deinos = fearful, dinosaur

**schizein = to split, schistos = split,
e.g. schizophrenic, schistosomiasis, schism, schist**

seiein = to shake, seismos = earthquake, e.g. seismograph

sēma/sēmatos, semeion = sign, e.g. semiotics

**sēpein = to rot, sēpsis = rotting or decay,
sapro = rotten, sēptikos = putrefactive
e.g. antiseptic, asepsis, saprogenic**

sialon = saliva, e.g. sialorrhea, sialosis

sideros = iron (cf L ferrum), e.g. siderite, sidero-

sigma = Σ , $-\sigma$ -, $-s$, later C-shape), e.g. sigmoid

siphōn/siphōnos = siphon, tube, pipe

sitos = grain $\rightarrow$ food, e.g. parasitos

skellein = to dry up, skeleton/ $\tilde{e}$ /os = dried, esp. body

skelos = leg, e.g. isosceles triangle

sklēros/ $\tilde{e}$ /on = hard, e.g. arteriosclerosis

**skopecin = to examine, inspect, look out for
(cf. skeptesthai, szeptikos) skopos = spy
e.g. microscope, gyroscope, stethoscope**

**sōma/sōmatos = body, cf. L corpus,
e.g. psychosomatic, chromosome, somatology**

**spaein = draw or wrench or snatch, spasmos = convulsion
e.g. spasm, spasmodic, spastic**