

**DEVELOPMENT**  
**OF**  
**PANCREAS**  
**AND**  
**SMALL INTESTINE**

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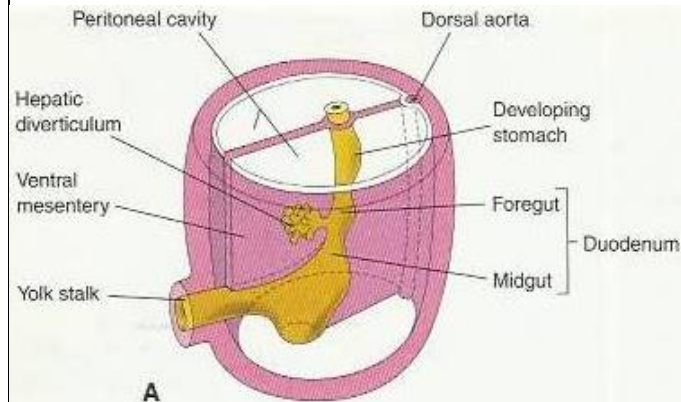
# **OBJECTIVES**

❖ ***At the end of the lecture, the students should be able to :***

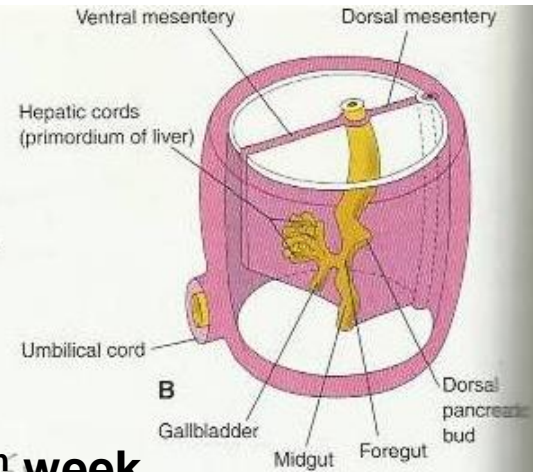
- Describe the development of the duodenum.
- Describe the development of the pancreas.
- Describe the development of the small intestine.
- Identify the congenital anomalies of the duodenum, pancreas, and the small intestine :

# DEVELOPMENT OF THE DUODENUM

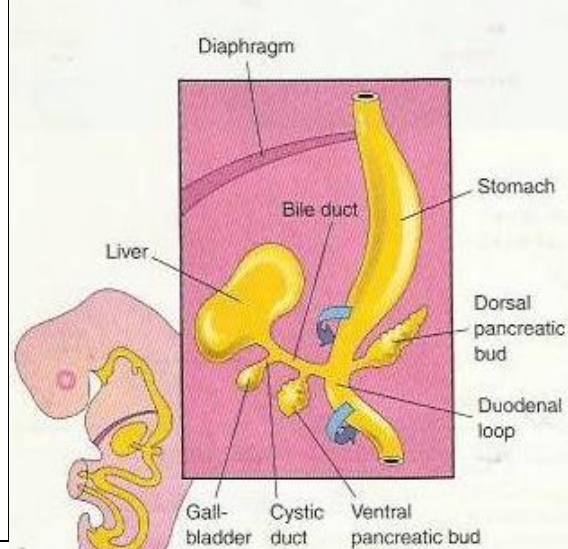
- Early in the 4<sup>th</sup> week, the duodenum develops from the endoderm of primordial gut of :
  - Caudal part of foregut.
  - Cranial part of midgut & from :
  - Splanchnic mesoderm.
  - The junction of the 2 parts of the gut lies just below or distal to the origin of bile duct (D).



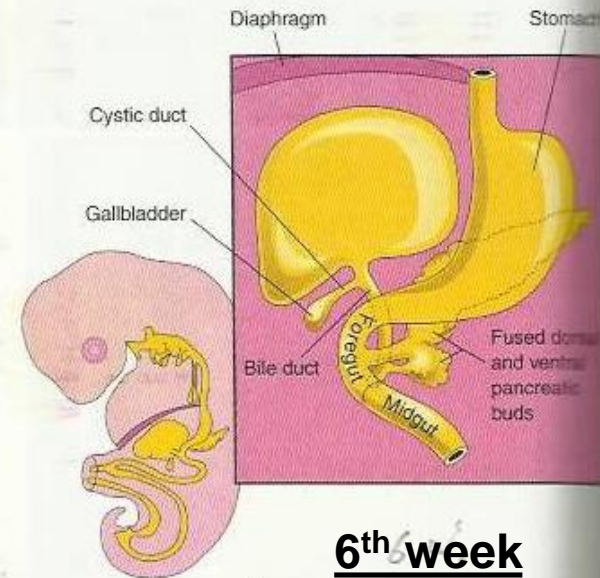
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**5<sup>th</sup> week**



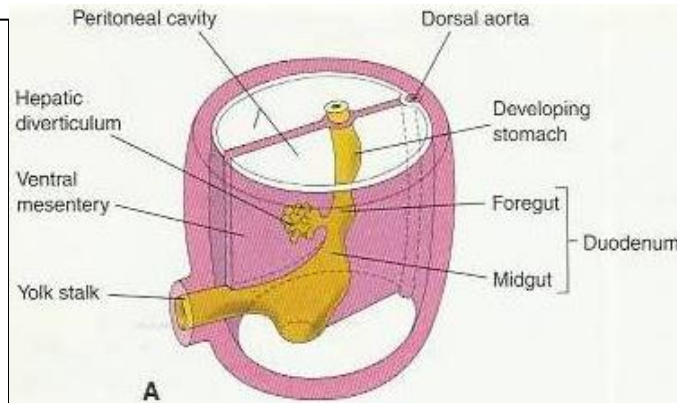
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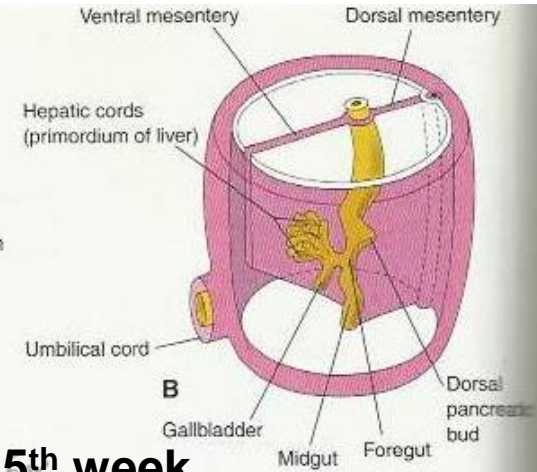
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# DEVELOPMENT OF THE DUODENUM

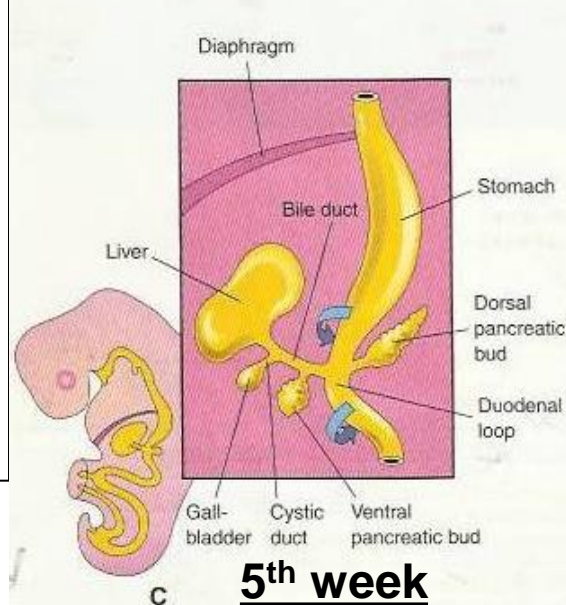
- **The duodenal loop** is formed and projected ventrally, forming a **C-shaped loop**.
- **The duodenal loop** is rotated with the stomach to the right and comes to lie on the posterior abdominal wall retroperitoneally with the developing pancreas.



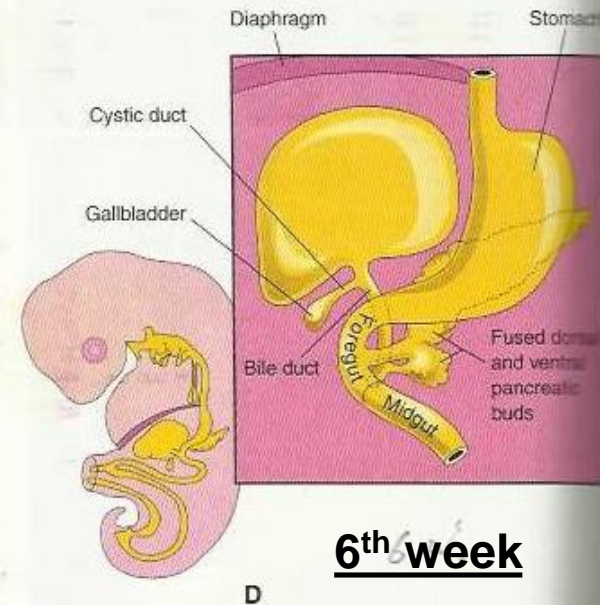
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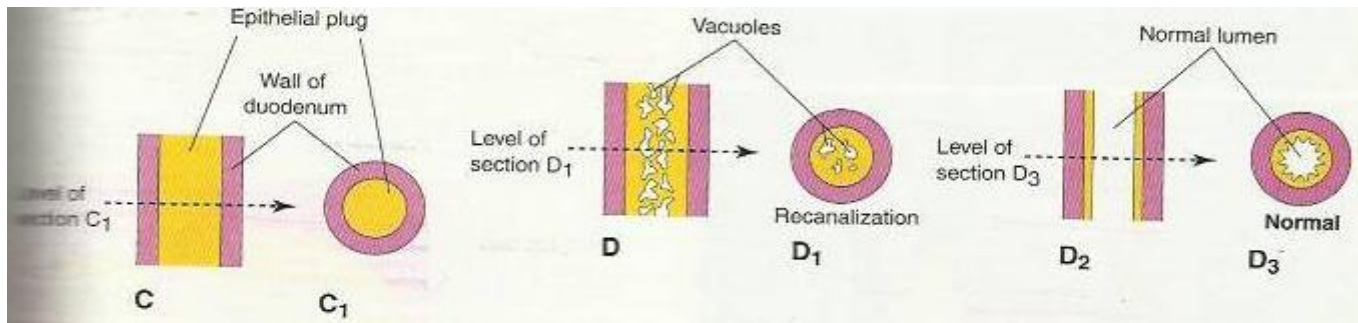


**5th week**



**6th week**

# DEVELOPMENT OF THE DUODENUM



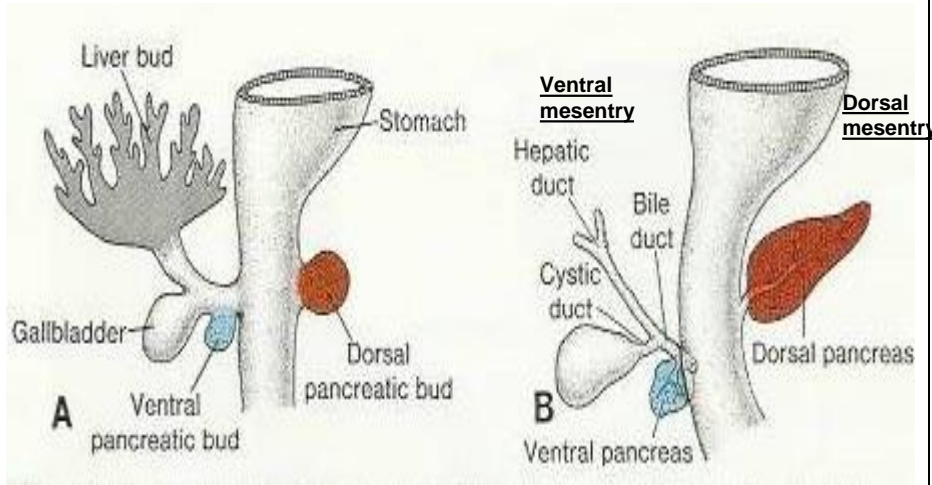
- During 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> weeks, the lumen of the duodenum is temporarily obliterated because of proliferation of its epithelial cells.
- Normally degeneration of epithelial cells occurs, so the duodenum normally becomes recanalized by the end of the embryonic period.



# Congenital anomalies

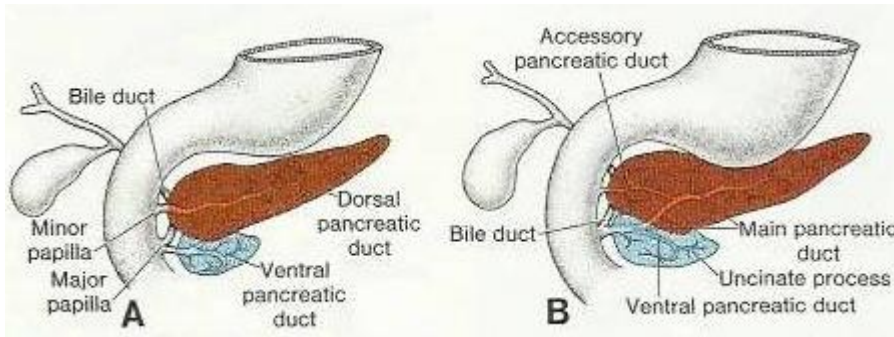
- **Duodenal stenosis**; results from incomplete recanalization of the duodenum.
- **Duodenal atresia**; leads to complete occlusion of the duodenal lumen, due to failure to reformation of the lumen, (autosomal recessive inheritance ).

# DEVELOPMENT OF PANCREAS



- The pancreas develops from 2 buds arising from the endoderm of the caudal part of foregut :
- **A ventral pancreatic bud ;** which develops from the proximal end of hepatic diverticulum (forms the liver & gall bladder).
- **A dorsal pancreatic bud ;** which develops from dorsal wall of duodenum, slightly cranial to the ventral bud.
- **Most of pancreas** is derived from the dorsal pancreatic bud.

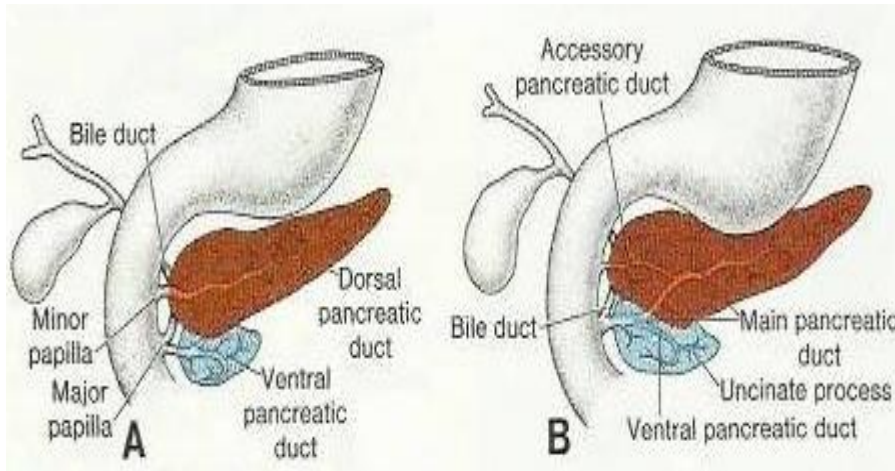
# DEVELOPMENT OF PANCREAS



- When the duodenum rotates to the right and becomes C-shaped, the ventral pancreatic bud moves dorsally to lie below and behind the dorsal bud.
- Later the 2 buds fused together and lying in the dorsal mesentery.

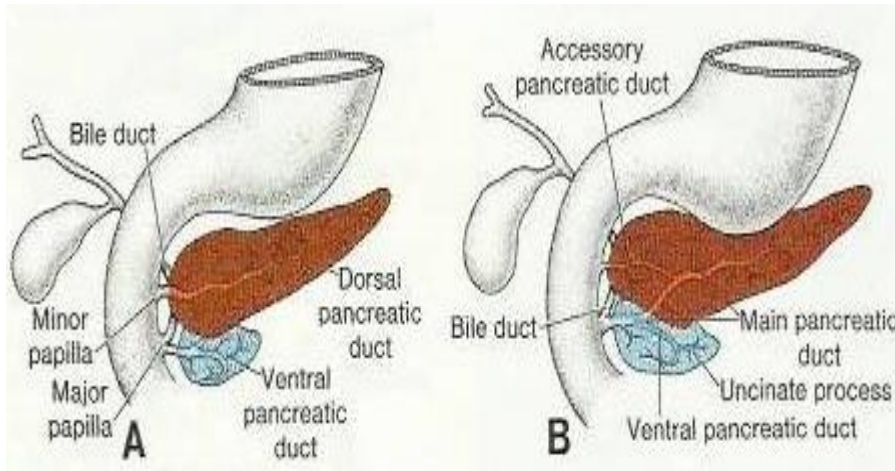


# DEVELOPMENT OF PANCREAS



- **The ventral bud forms :**
- Uncinate process.
- Inferior part of head of pancreas.
- **The dorsal pancreatic bud forms :**
- Upper part of of head.
- Neck.
- Body &
- Tail of panc

# DEVELOPMENT OF PANCREAS



- **The main pancreatic duct is formed from :**
  - The duct of the ventral bud.
  - The distal part of duct of dorsal bud.
- **The accessory pancreatic duct is derived from :**
  - Proximal part of duct of dorsal bud.
- **The parenchyma of pancreas** is derived from the endoderm of pancreatic buds.
- **Pancreatic islets** develops from parenchymatous pancreatic tissue.
- **Insuline secretion** begins at 5<sup>th</sup> month of pregnancy.

# Congenital anomalies

- **Accessory pancreatic tissue**; located in the wall of the stomach, duodenum, or ileal diverticulum.
- **Anular pancreas**; a thin flat band of pancreatic tissue surrounding the second part of the duodenum, causing duodenal obstruction

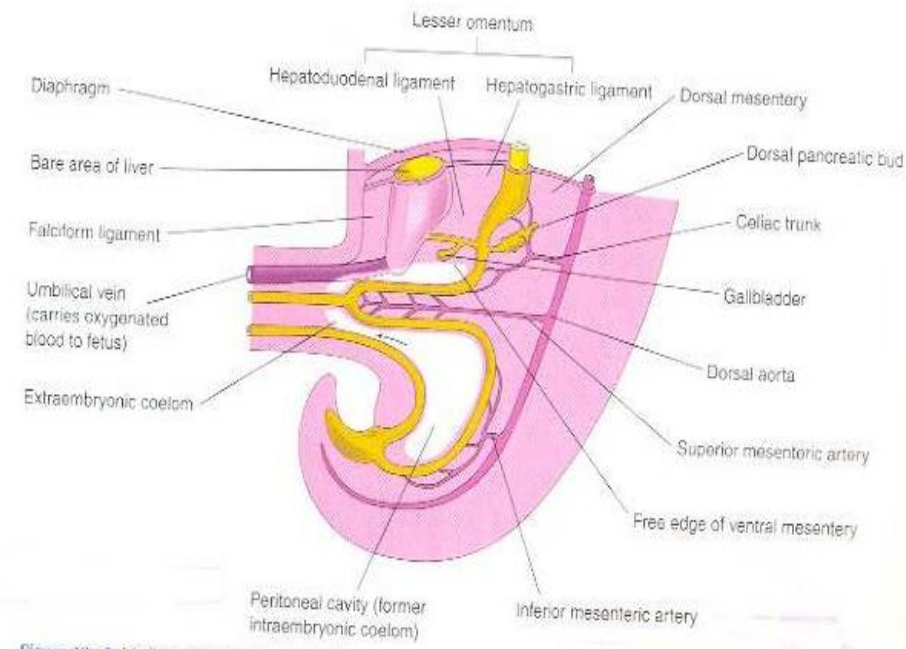
# DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL INTESTINE

- **Derivatives of cranial part of the midgut loop :**
- Distal part of the duodenum (proximal part of duodenum is developed from caudal part of foregut).
- Jejunum.
- Upper part of the ileum.
- **Derivatives of the caudal part of midgut loop :**
- Lower portion of ileum.
- Cecum & appendix.
- Ascending colon and proximal 2/3 of transverse colon.
- **So, the small intestine is developed from :**
- **Caudal part of foregut.**
- **All midgut.**
- **Midgut is supplied by superior mesenteric artery (artery of midgut).**

# STAGES OF DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL INTESTINE

- Preherniation stage.
- Stage of physiological umbilical hernia.
- stage of rotation of midgut loop.
- Stage of reduction of umbilical hernia.
- Stage of fixation of various parts of intestine.

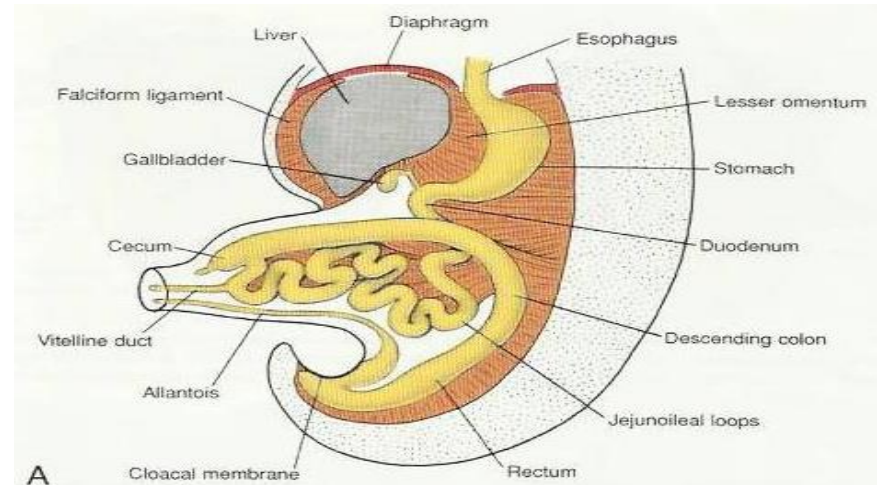
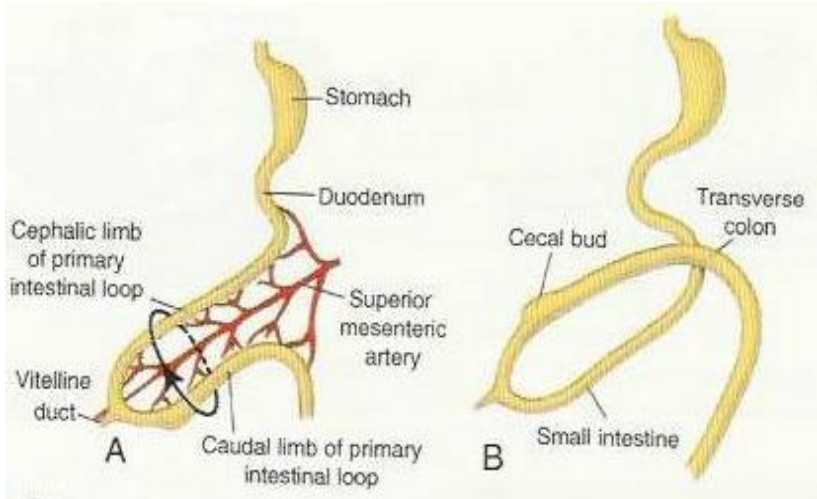
# Development of midgut loop



- **At the beginning of 6th week, the midgut elongates to form a ventral U-shaped midgut loop.**
- **Midgut loop communicates with the yolk sac by vitelline duct or yolk stalk.**
- **As a result of rapidly growing liver, kidneys & gut the abdominal cavity is temporarily too small to contain the developing rapidly growing intestinal loop.**
- **So, Midgut loop projects into the umbilical cord ...this is called physiological umbilical herniation (begins at 6<sup>th</sup> w.).**

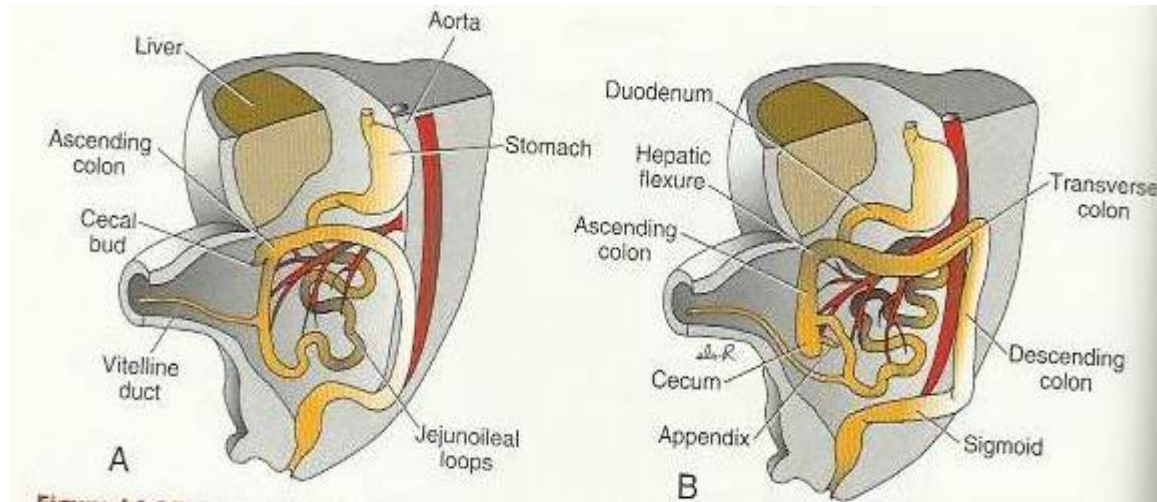


# ROTATION OF THE MIDGUT LOOP



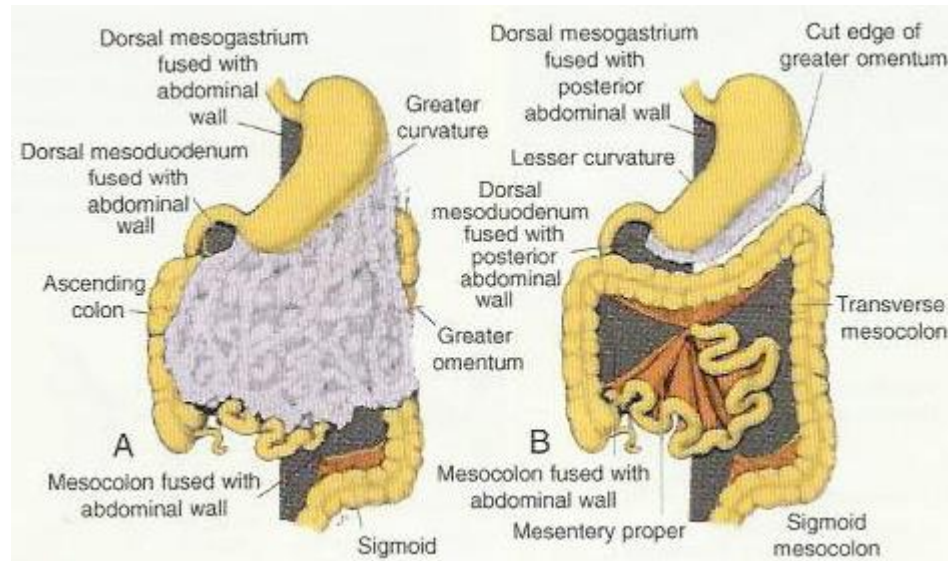
- Midgut loop has a cranial limb & a caudal limb.
- Midgut loop rotates around the axis of the **superior mesenteric artery**.
- **Midgut loop rotates first 90 degrees to bring the cranial limb to the right and caudal limb to left during the physiological hernia.**
- The cranial limb of midgut loop elongates to form the intestinal coiled loops (jejunum & ileum).
- This rotation is **counterclockwise** and it is completed to 270 degrees, so after reduction of physiological hernia it rotates to about 180 degrees.

# RETURN OF MIDGUT TO ABDOMEN



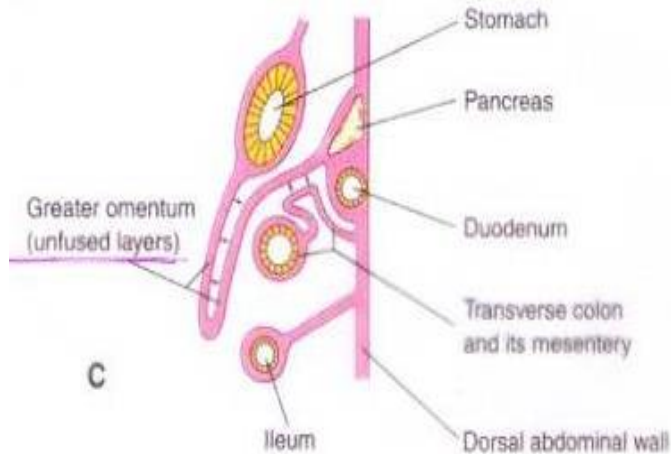
- During 10<sup>th</sup> week, the intestines return to the abdomen due to regression of liver & kidneys, and expansion of abdominal cavity. It is called **reduction of physiological midgut hernia**.
- Rotation is completed and the coiled intestinal loops lie in their final position in the left side.
- The cecum at first lies below the liver, but later it descends to lie in the right iliac fossa.

# FIXATION OF VARIOUS PARTS OF INTESTINE

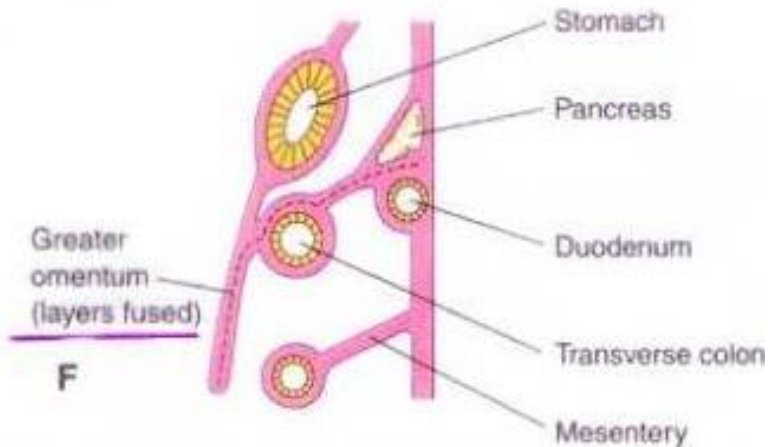


- **The mesentery of jejunoileal loops** is at first continuous with that of the ascending colon.
- When the mesentery of ascending colon fuses with the posterior abdominal wall, **the mesentery of small intestine** becomes fan-shaped and acquires a new line of attachment that passes from duodenojejunal junction to the ileocecal junction.

# Fixation of various parts of intestines



Intestines prior to fixation



Intestines after fixation

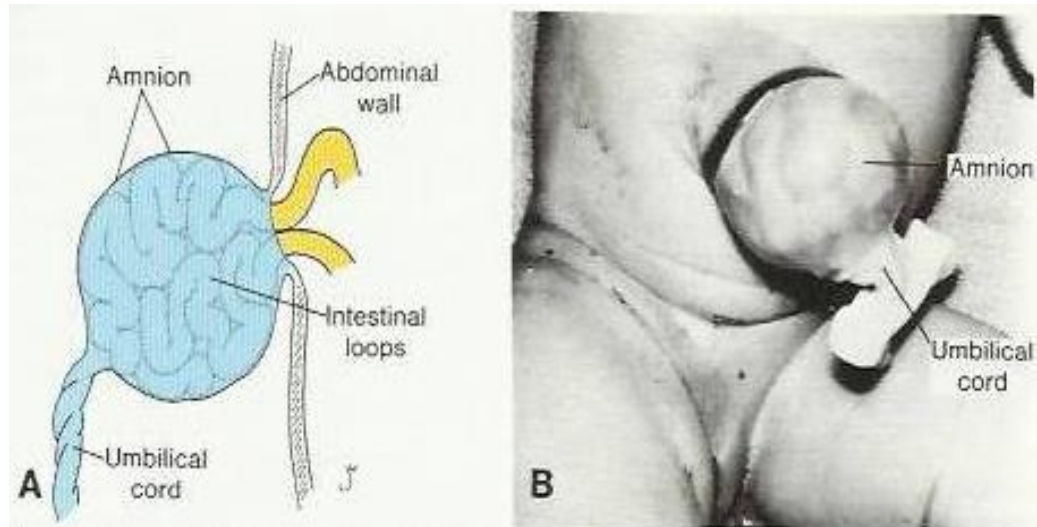
- The enlarged colon presses the duodenum & pancreas against the posterior abdominal wall.

**C & F**

- Most of duodenal mesentery is absorbed, so most of duodenum ( except for about the first 2.5 cm derived from foregut) & pancreas become retroperitoneal.

**C & F**

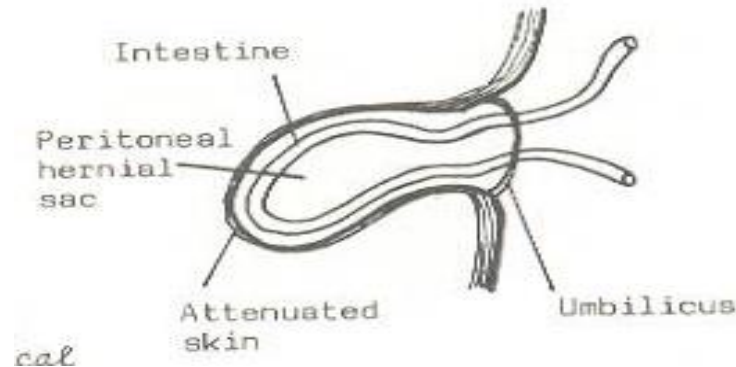
# Congenital Omphalocele



- It is a persistence of herniation of abdominal contents into proximal part of umbilical cord due to failure of reduction of physiological hernia to abdominal cavity at 10th week.
- Herniation of intestines occurs in 1 of 5000 births – herniation of liver & intestines occurs in 1 of 10,000 births.
- It is accompanied by small abdominal cavity.
- The hernial sac is covered by the epithelium of the umbilical cord, the amnion.
- Immediate surgical repair is required.



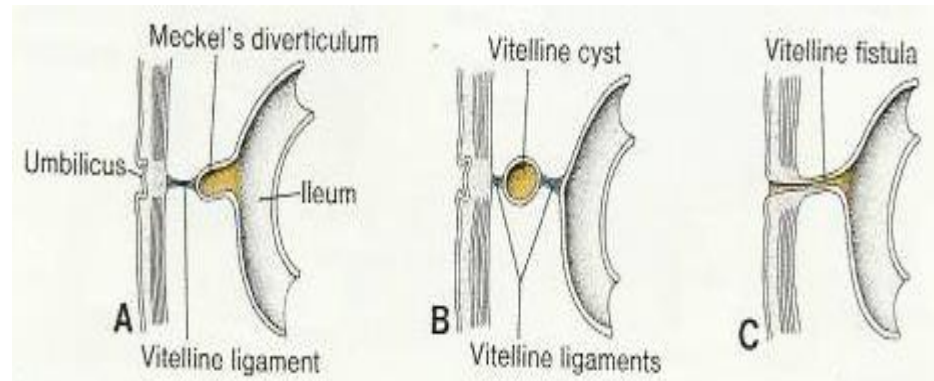
# Umbilical Hernia



- The intestines return to abdominal cavity at 10th week, but herniated through an imperfectly closed umbilicus.
- It is a common type of hernia.
- The herniated contents are usually the greater omentum & small intestine.
- The hernial sac is covered by skin & subcutaneous tissue.
- It protrudes during crying, straining or coughing and can be easily be reduced through the fibrous ring at umbilicus.
- Surgery is performed at age of 3-5 years.



# Ileal (Meckel) Diverticulum



- It is one of the most common anomalies of the digestive tract, present in about 2% -4% of people, more common in males.
- It is a small pouch from the ileum, and may contain small patches of gastric & pancreatic tissues causing ulceration, bleeding or even perforation.
- It is the remnant of proximal part **nonobliterated part of yolk stalk** (or vitelline duct).
- **It arises from antimesenteric border** of ileum, 1/2 meter from ileocecal junction.
- It sometimes becomes inflamed and causes symptoms that mimic appendicitis.
- It may be connected to the umbilicus by a fibrous cord, and the middle portion forms a cyst or may remain patent forming the fistula so, faecal matter is carried through the duct into umbilicus.

# SUMMARY

- The foregut gives rise to :
- Duodenum (proximal to the opening of the bile duct).
- Pancreas.
- Biliary apparatus.
- The pancreas develops from :
- Dorsal & ventral pancreatic buds that form the endodermal lining of the foregut.

# SUMMARY

- The midgut gives rise to  
The small intestine :
- Duodenum (distal to bile duct).
- Jejunum & ileum.
- **Physiological umbilical hernia :**  
The midgut forms a U-shaped intestinal loop that herniated into the umbilical cord during 6<sup>th</sup> week.
- **Omphalocele** results from failure of return of the intestine into the abdomen.
- **Ileal diverticula** are common; however, only a few of them become inflamed and produce pain.

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