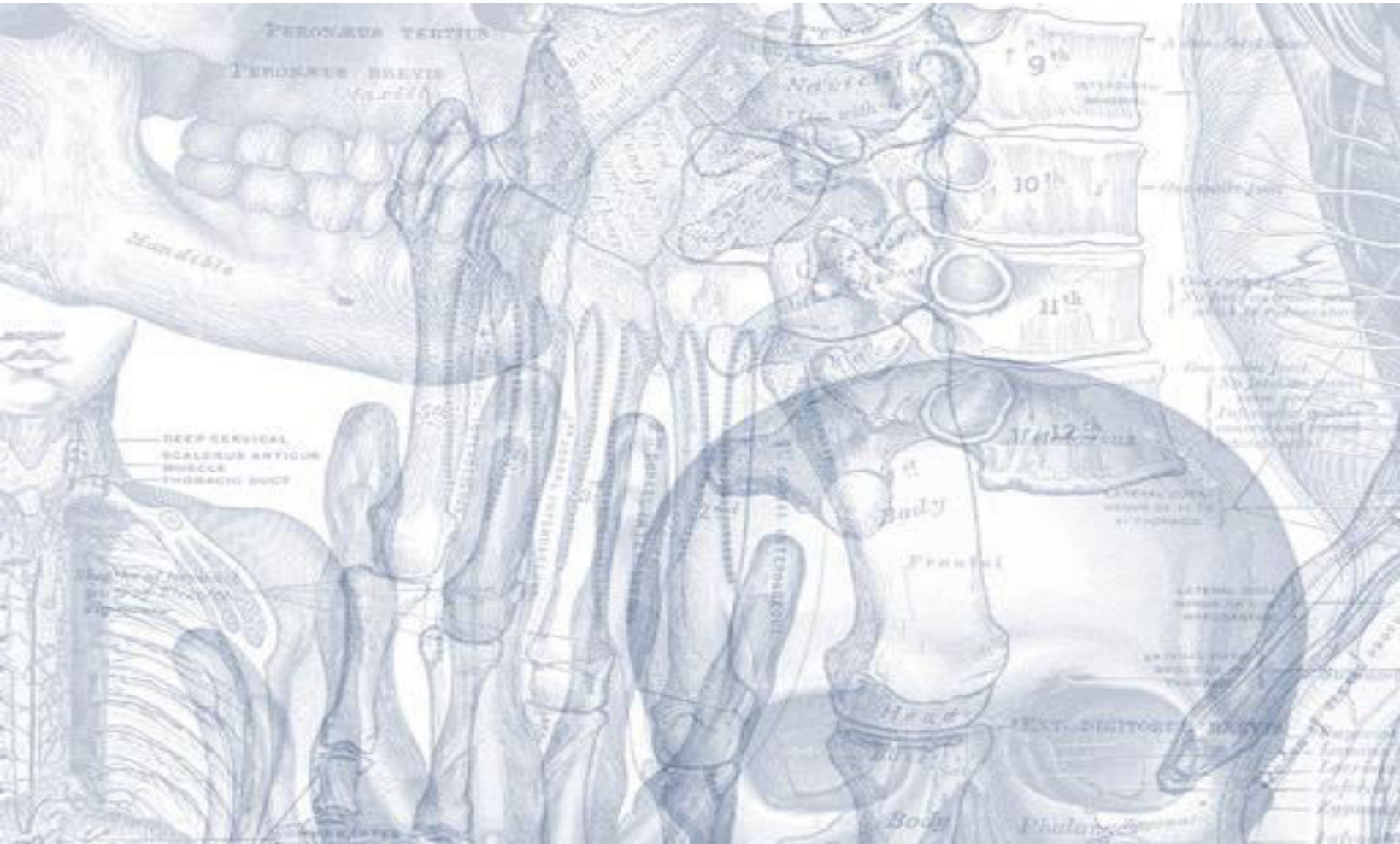


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Anatomy of Small Intestine

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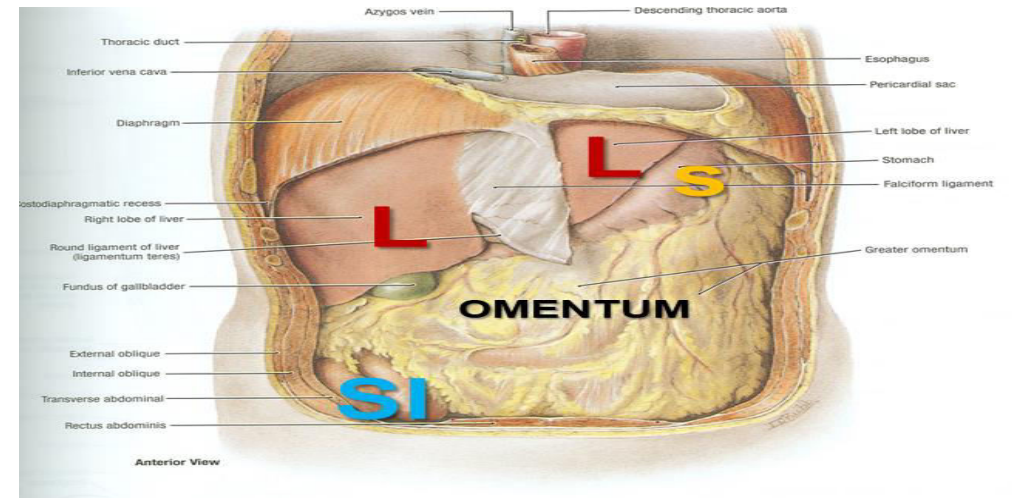
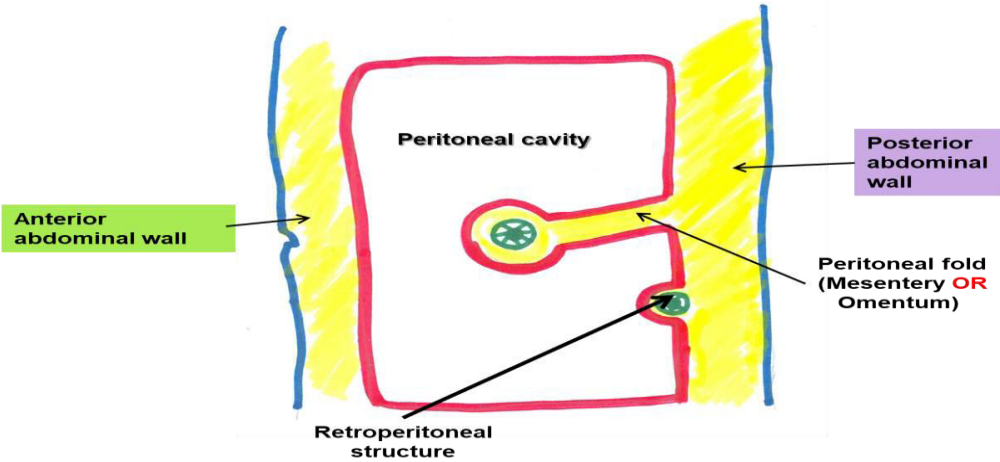
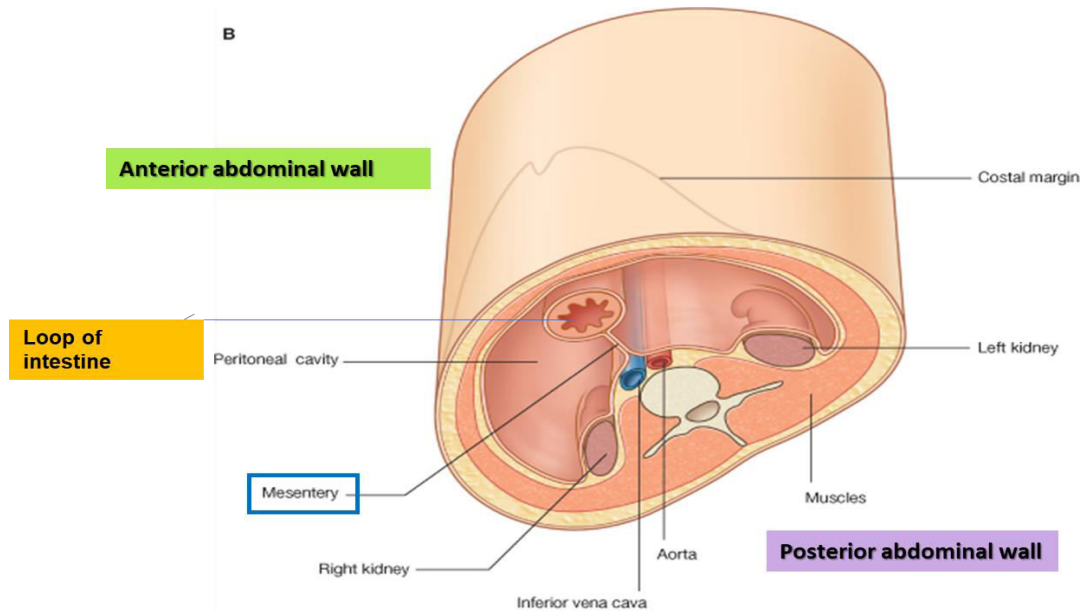
Objectives:

At the end of the lecture, students should:

- ✓ List the different parts of small intestine.
- ✓ Describe the anatomy of duodenum, jejunum & ileum regarding: *the shape, length, site of beginning & termination, peritoneal covering, arterial supply & lymphatic drainage.*
- ✓ Differentiate between each part of duodenum regarding *the length, level & relations.*
- ✓ Differentiate between the jejunum & ileum regarding *the characteristic anatomical features of each of them.*

Abdomen

What is Mesentery? It is a double layer attach the intestine to abdominal wall. If it has mesentery it is freely moveable.



L= liver, S=Spleen, SI=Small Intestine, AC=Ascending Colon, TC=Transverse Colon

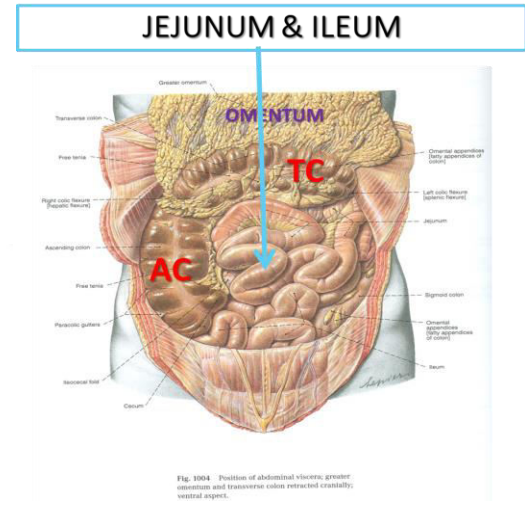
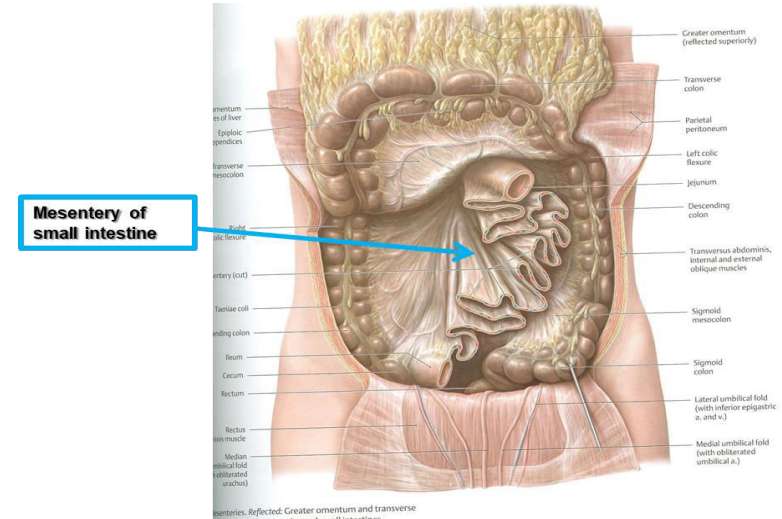
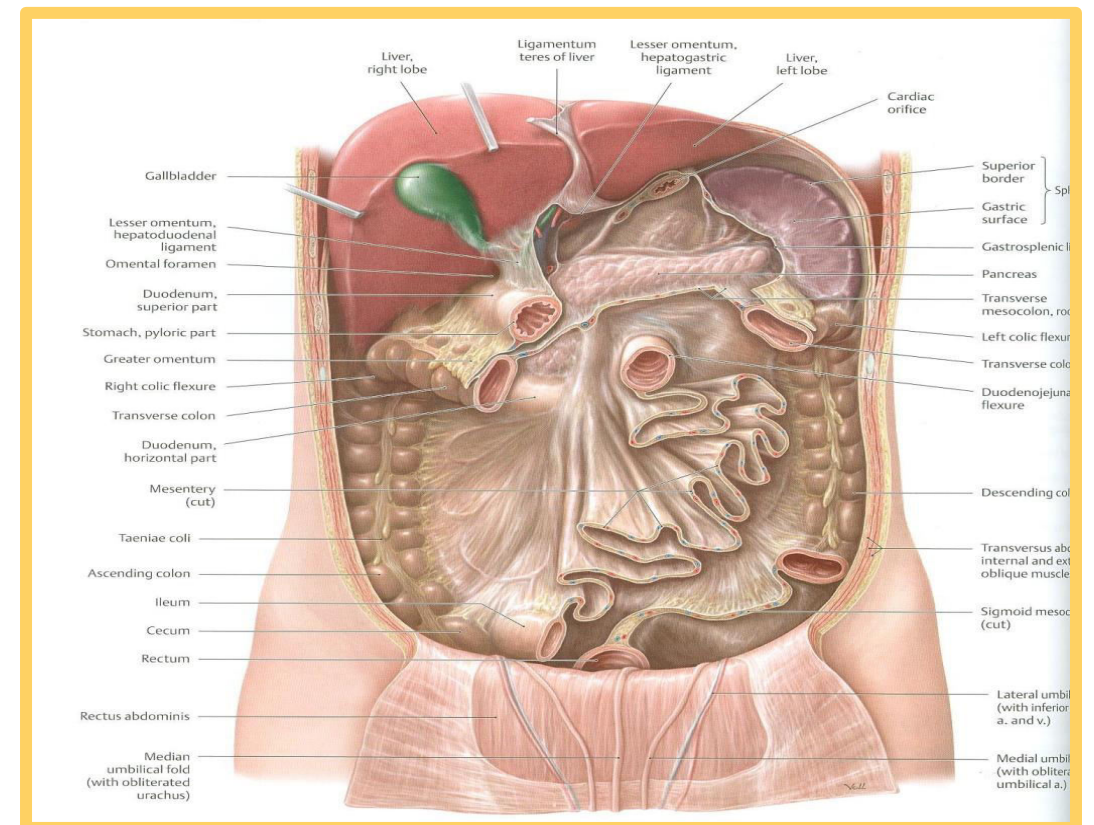
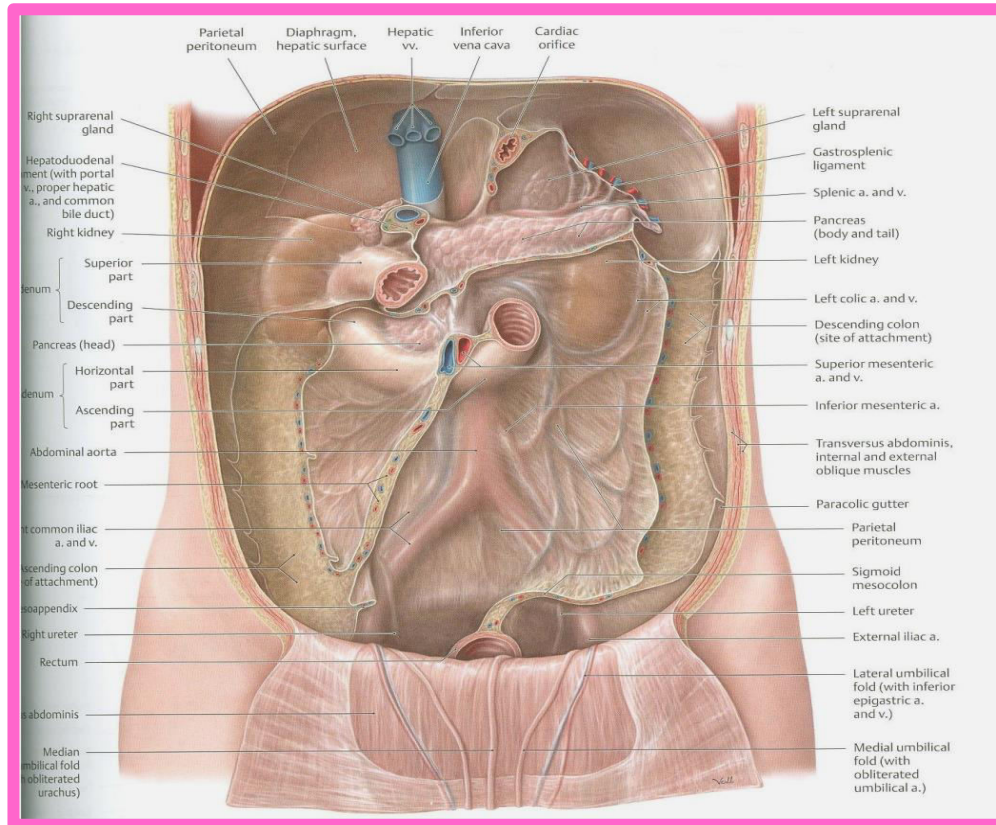


Fig. 1004 Position of abdominal viscera; greater omentum and transverse colon retracted cranially; ventral aspect.

Abdomen

The small intestines consist of two parts:

- 1- fixed part (no mesentery) (retroperitoneal) : **duodenum**
- 2- free (movable) part (with mesentery) : **jejunum & ileum**



RELATION BETWEEN EMBRYOLOGICAL ORIGIN & ARTERIAL SUPPLY

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Arterial supply depends on the embryological origin :

Foregut → Coeliac trunk

Midgut → superior mesenteric

Hindgut → Inferior mesenteric

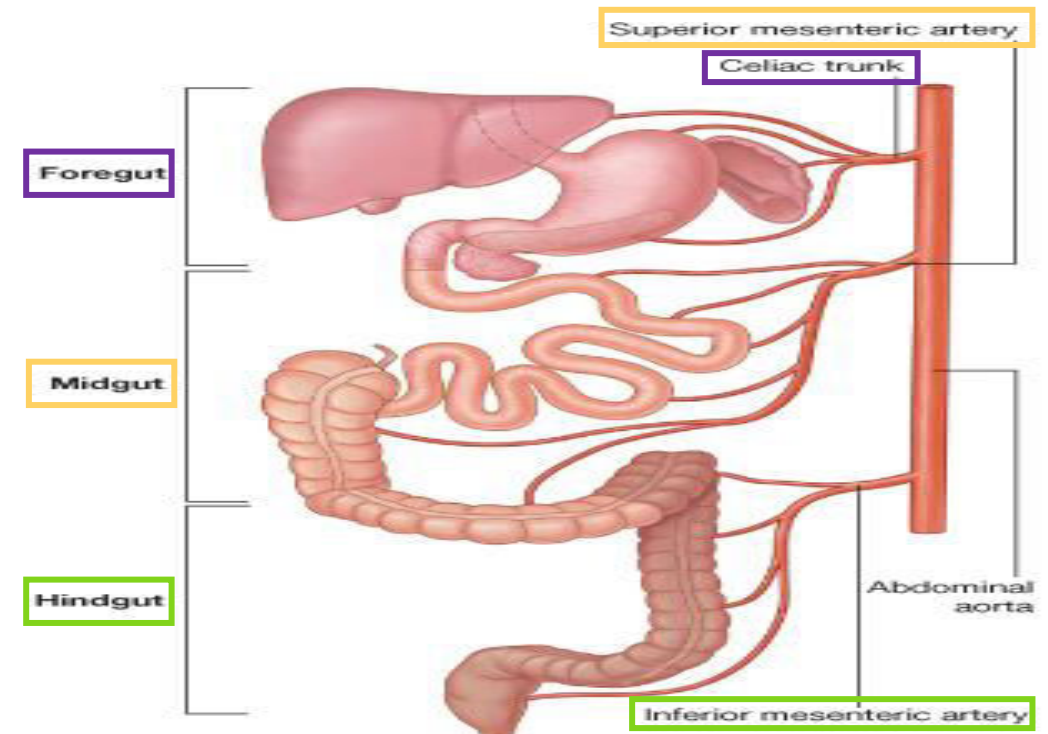
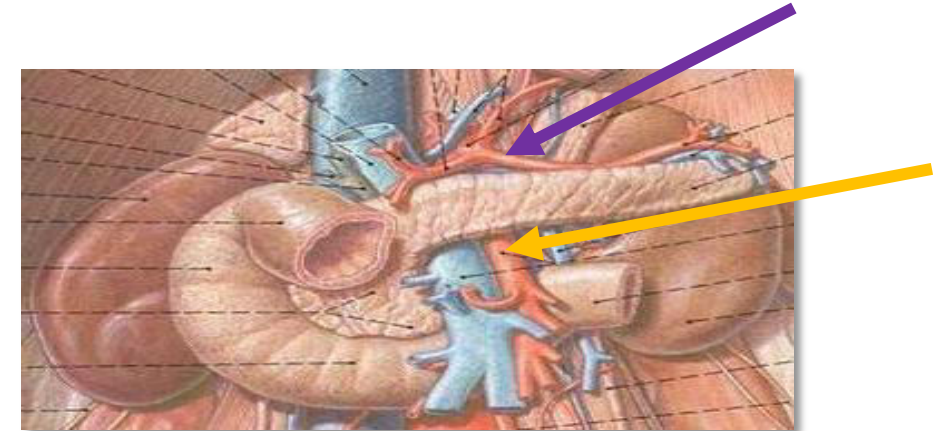
Duodenum:

- Origin: foregut & midgut
- Arterial supply:
 1. Coeliac trunk (artery of foregut)
 2. Superior mesenteric: (artery of midgut)

The duodenum has 2 arterial supply because of the double origin
The junction of foregut and midgut is at the second part of the duodenum

Jejunum & ileum:

- Origin: midgut
- Arterial supply:
Superior mesenteric: (artery of midgut)



Duodenum

Duodenum	
<i>Shape</i>	C-shaped loop
<i>Length</i>	10 inches
<i>Beginning</i>	At <u>pyloro-duodenal junction</u>
<i>Termination</i>	At <u>duodeno-jejunal flexure</u>
<i>Peritoneal covering</i>	Retroperitoneal {fixed movement}
<i>Divisions</i>	4 parts {superior-descending-horizontal-ascending} <i>next slide</i>
<i>Embryological origin</i>	Foregut & midgut
<i>Arterial supply</i>	Coeliac & superior mesenteric
<i>Venous drainage</i>	Superior mesenteric & portal veins
<i>Lymphatic drainage</i>	Coeliac & superior mesenteric lymph nodes

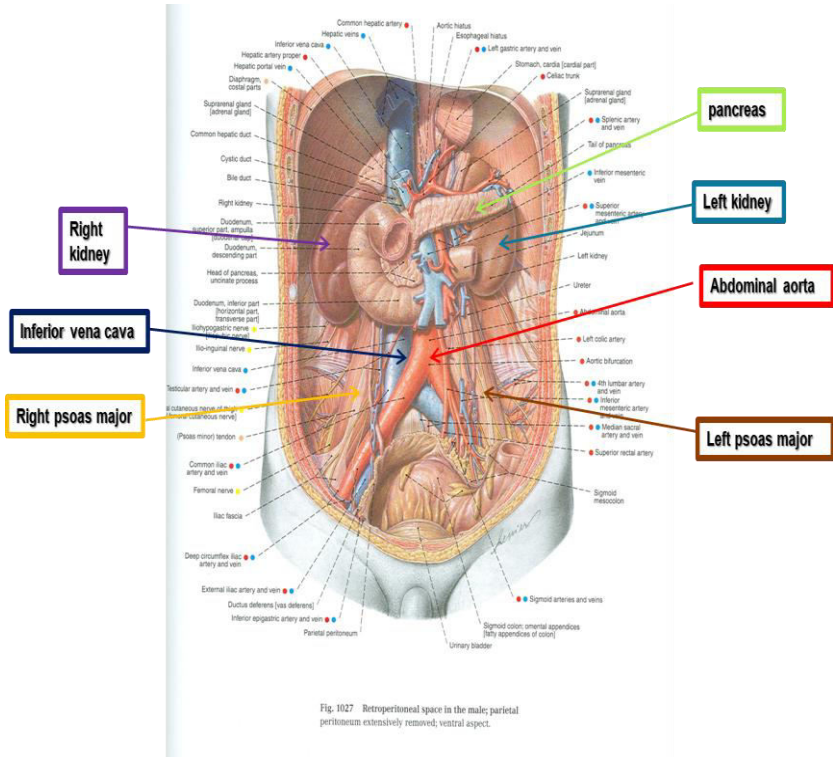
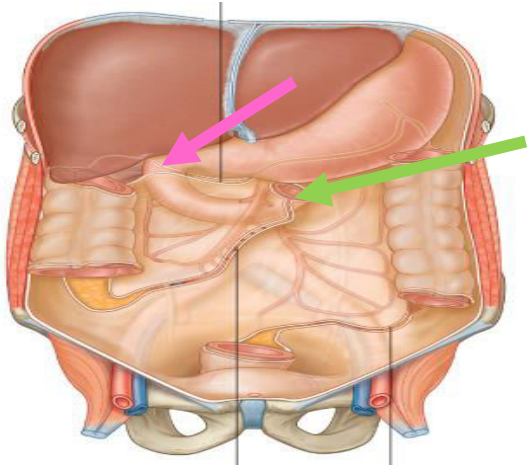


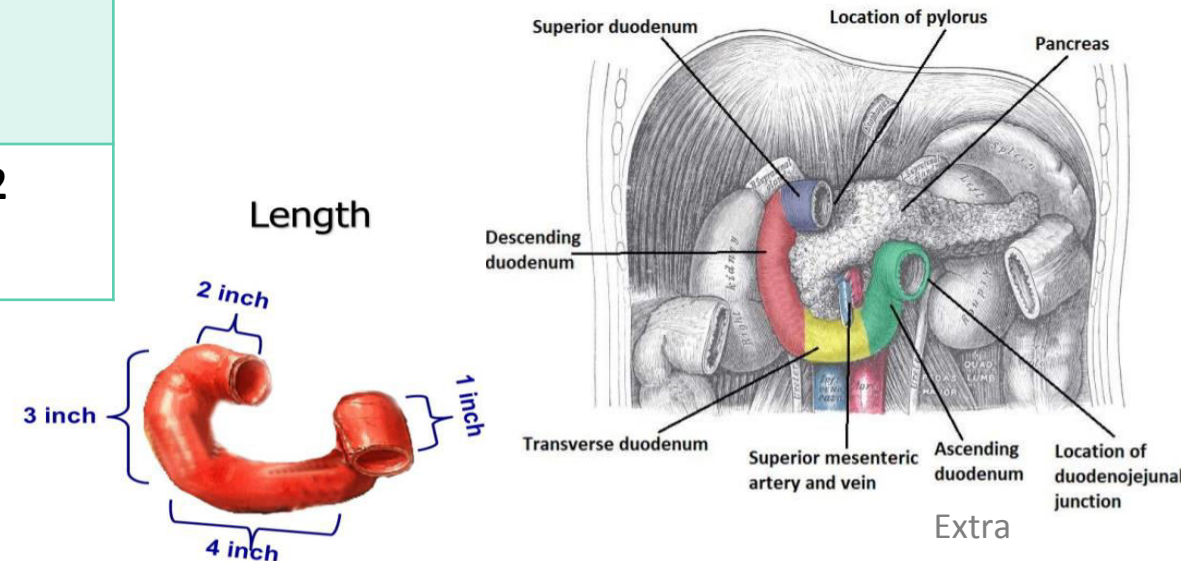
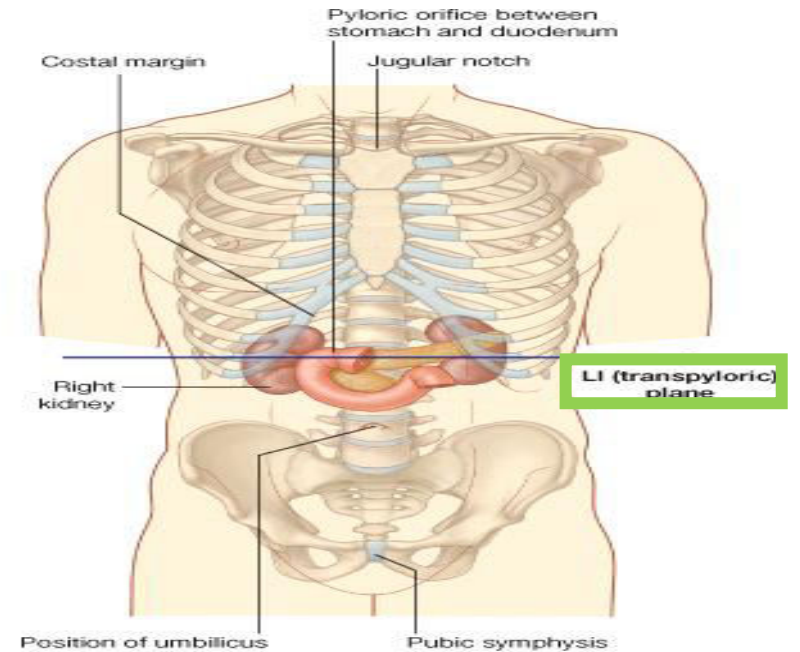
Fig. 1027 Retroperitoneal space in the male; parietal peritoneum extensively removed, ventral aspect.

Duodenum

Parts Important

Part	Length	Level (surface anatomy)
FIRST PART (Superior)	2 INCHES	L1 (Transpyloric Plane)
SECOND PART (Descending)	3 INCHES	Descends From L1 TO L3
THIRD PART (Horizontal)	4 INCHES	L3 (Subcotal Plane)
FOURTH PART (Ascending)	1 INCHES	Ascends From L3 TO L2

Total = 10 inches



Duodenum

First Part

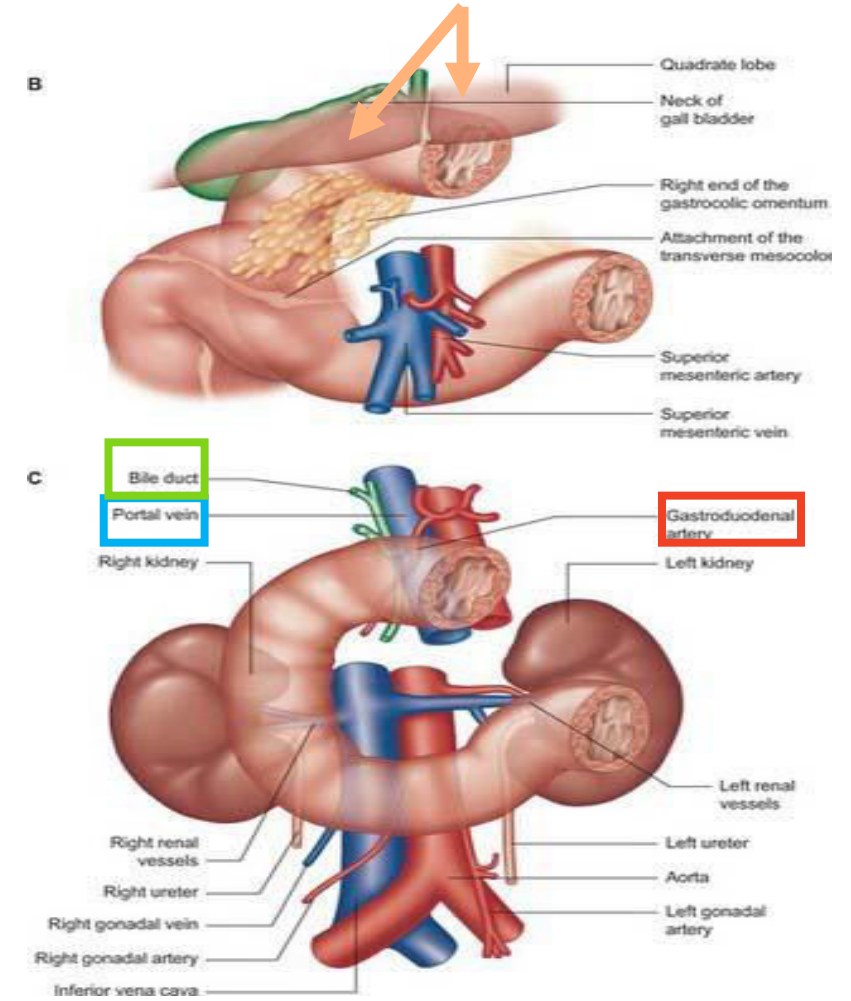
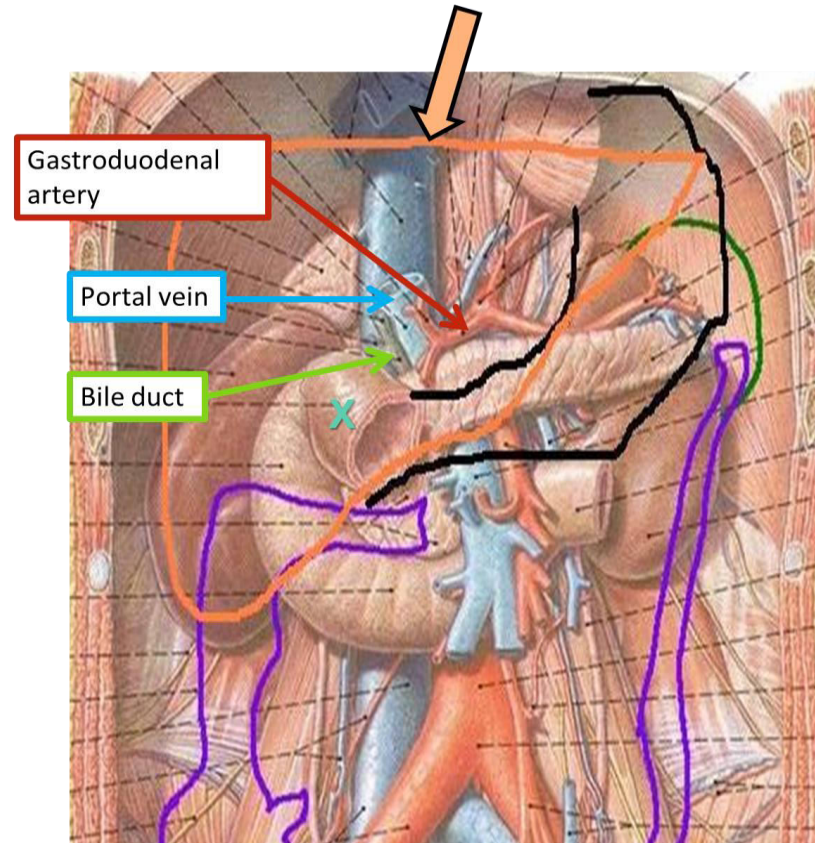
Relations of the first part:

Anterior:

1. Liver

Posterior:

1. Gastroduodenal artery
2. Portal vein
3. Bile duct

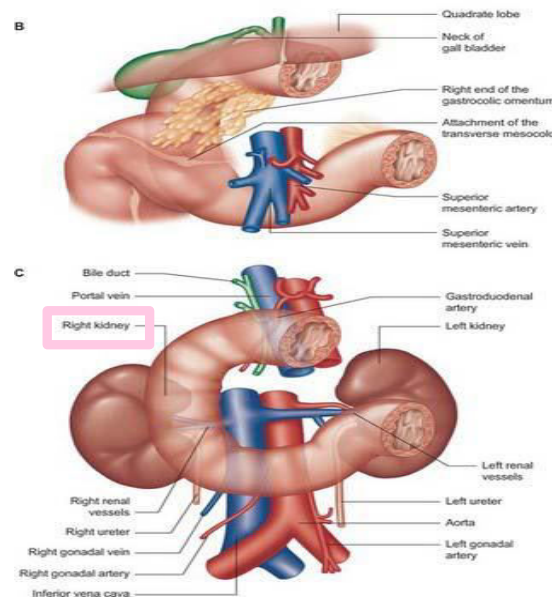
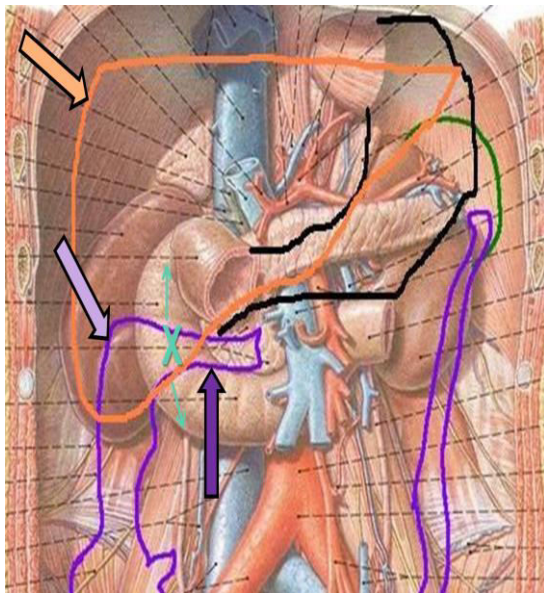


Duodenum

Second Part

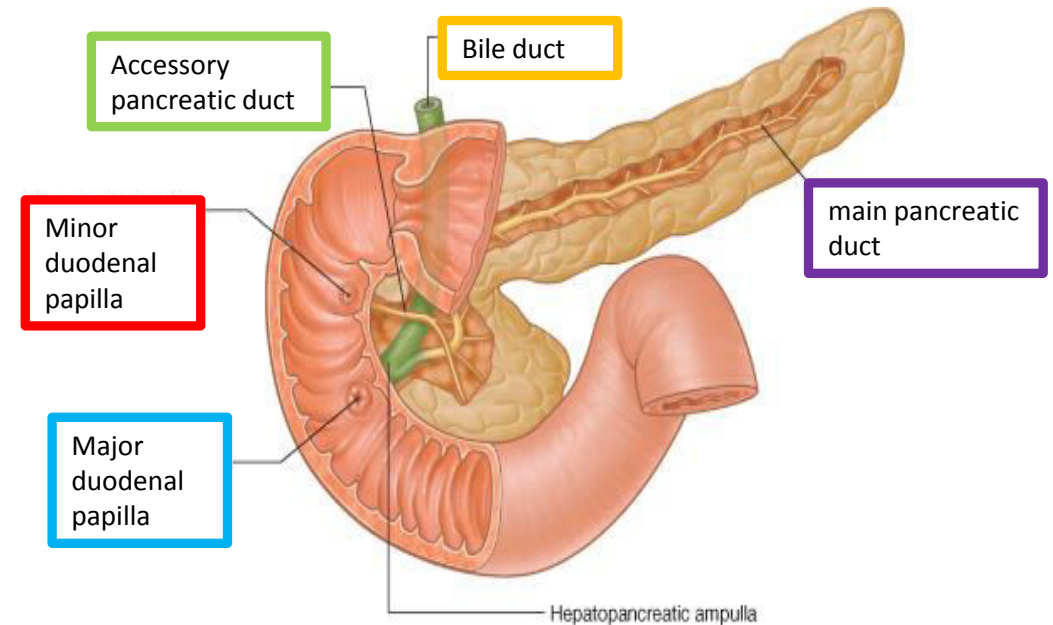
<i>Anterior</i>	<i>Posterior</i>	<i>Medial</i>	<i>Lateral</i>
1. <u>Liver</u>	<u>Right kidney</u>	Pancreas	<u>Right colic flexure</u>
2. <u>Transverse colon</u>			
3. Small intestine*			

*we mean jejunum and ileum



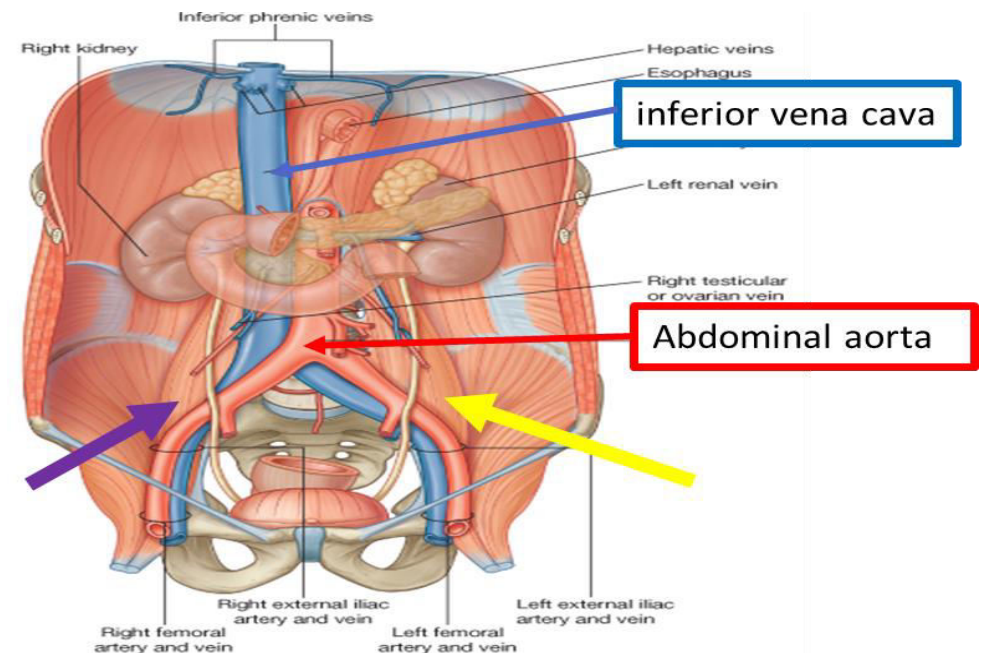
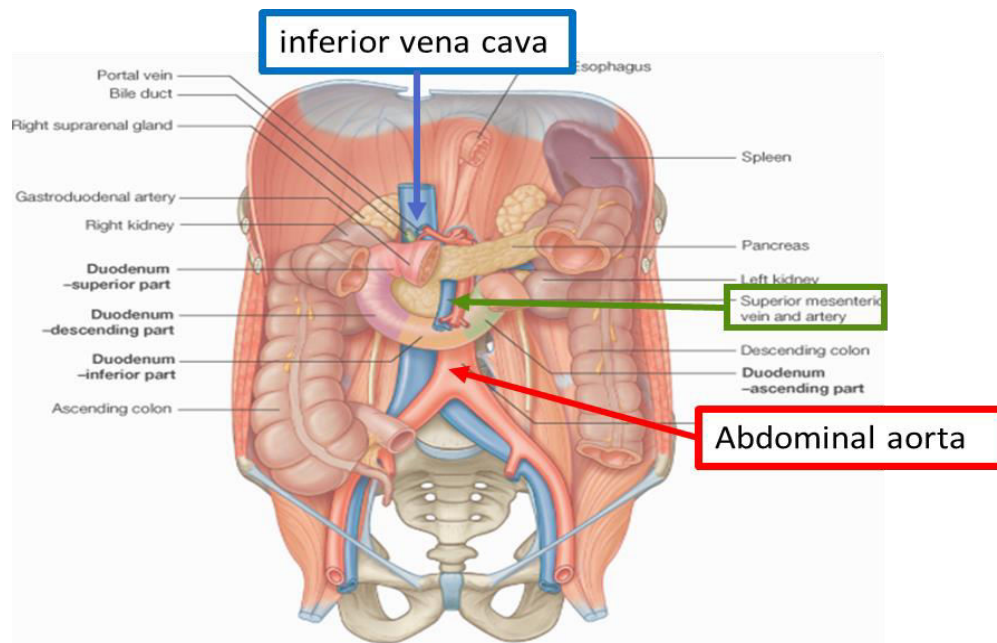
Openings of second part:

1. Common opening of bile duct & main pancreatic duct: on summit of major duodenal papilla.
2. Opening of accessory pancreatic duct (one inch higher): on summit of minor duodenal papilla.



Duodenum Third & Fourth Part

Relations	Anteriorly	Posteriorly
3rd	1- Small Intestine 2- <u>Superior Mesenteric vessels</u>	1- <u>Right psoas major</u> 2- <u>Inferior vena cava</u> 3- <u>Abdominal aorta</u> 4- Inferior mesenteric vessels (originate at L3)
4th	Small Intestines	<u>Left Psoas major</u>



Duodenum Summary

This slide is extra and summarizes the slides before

Duodenum		Superior (1 st)	Descending (2 nd)	Inferior (3 rd)	Ascending (4 th)
Part		2 in.	3 in.	4 in.	1 in.
Length		L1 – transpyloric plane	L1 → L3	L3 – subcotal plane	L3 → L2
Relations	Anterior	1. Liver	1. Liver 2. Transverse colon 3. Small intestine (J & L)	1. Small intestine 2. Superior mesenteric vessels	1. Small intestine
	Posterior	1. Bile duct 2. Gastroduodenal artery 3. Portal vein	1. Right kidney	1. Right psoas major 2. Inferior vena cava 3. Abdominal aorta 4. Inferior mesenteric vessels	1. Left psoas major
	Medial		1. Pancreas		
	Lateral		1. Right colic flexure		

Jejunum & Ileum

Shape

- Coiled tube

Length

- 6 meters (20 feet)

Beginning

- At duodeno-jejunal flexure

Termination

- At ileocecal junction *Or valve/orifice*

Peritoneal fold

- Mesentery of small intestine

Embryological origin

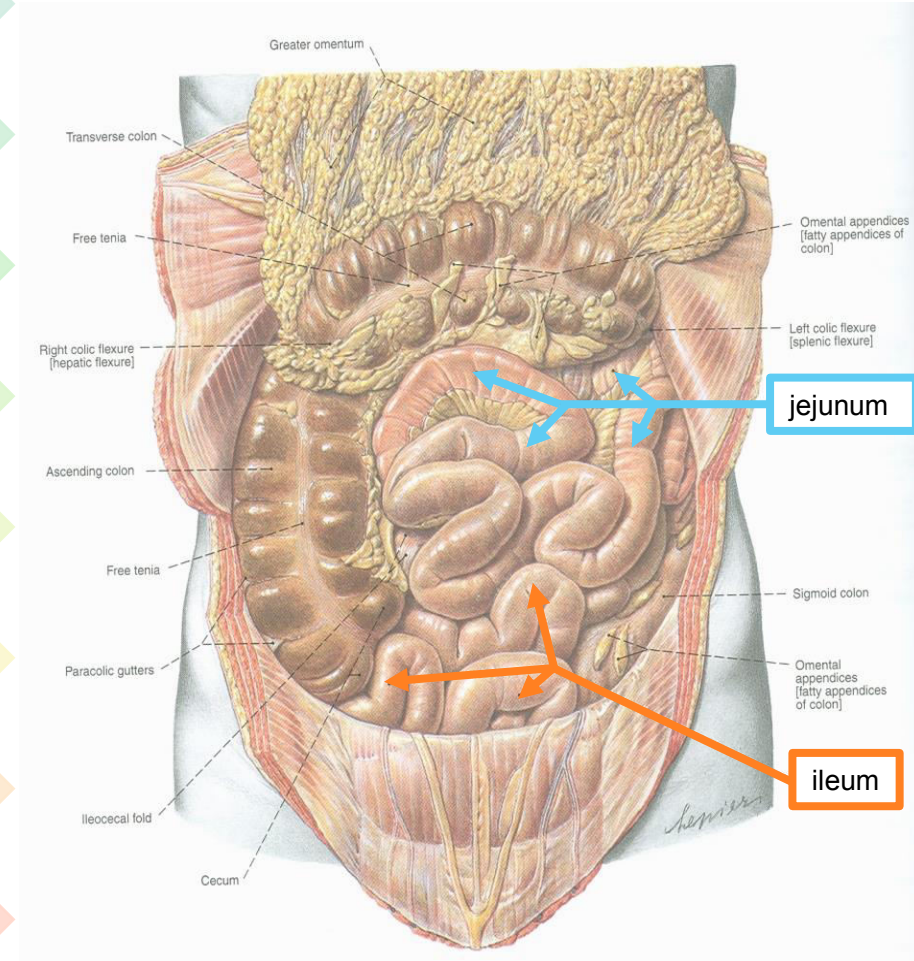
- midgut

Blood supply

- **Superior mesenteric Artery & Vein**

Lymphatic drainage

- **Superior mesenteric lymph nodes**

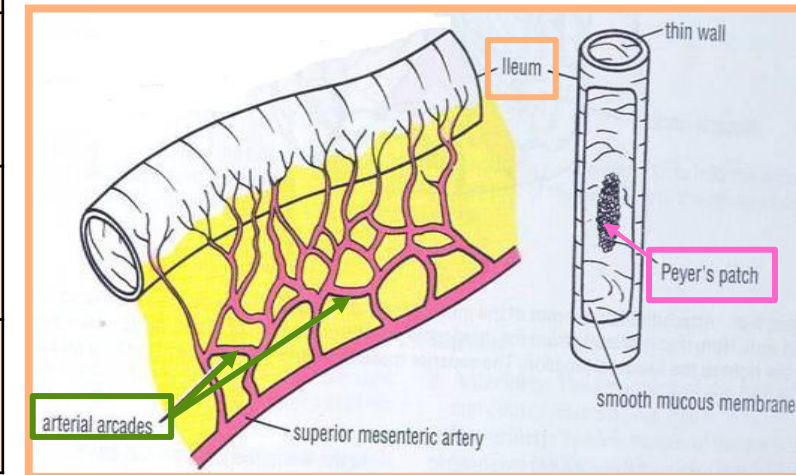
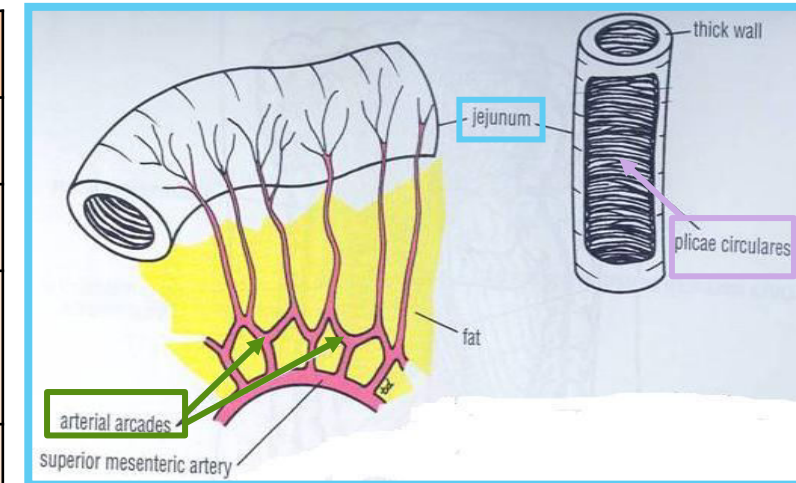


Jejunum & Ileum

Comparison (Jejunum absorbs more than the ileum and needs more blood)

	Jejunum	Ileum
Length*	Shorter (proximal 2/5) of SI	Longer (distal 3/5) of SI
Diameter	Wider	Narrower
Wall	Thicker (more plicae circulares)	Thinner (less plicae circulares)
Appearance	Dark red (more vascular)	Light red (less vascular)
Vessels?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High & less arcades • Long terminal branches 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low & more arcades • Short terminal branches
Mesenteric fat**	Small amount & Away from intestinal border	Large amount & Close to intestinal border
Lymphoid tissue	Few aggregations	Numerous aggregations (peyer's patches)

- Plicae circulares: they are mucosal folds.
- Arcades: Anastomosing arterial arches.
- High: farther from the intestinal wall
- Low: nearer intestinal wall



*in regards to the total length of jejunum and ileum. (SI = Small Intestine)

**In general, the mesentery of the jejunum has less fat than the ileum. Also, the fat in the jejunum is not near the intestinal wall (the gap in the picture).

Summary

	Duodenum	Ileum	Jejunum
<i>Shape</i>	C-shaped	Coiled tube	
<i>Peritoneal covering</i>	Retroperitoneal	With mesentery	
<i>Length</i>	10 inch	2/5 of SI	3/5 of SI
<i>Beginning</i>	Pyloro-duodenal junction	Duodeno-jejunal flexure	
<i>End</i>	Duodeno-jejunal flexure	Ileocecal junction	
<i>Embryological origin</i>	Foregut & midgut	Midgut	
<i>Arterial Supply</i>	Celiac & superior mesenteric arteries	Superior mesenteric artery	
<i>Venous Drainage</i>	Superior mesenteric → portal vein	Superior mesenteric vein	
<i>Lymphatic Drainage</i>	Celiac & superior mesenteric lymph nodes	Superior mesenteric lymph node	

MCQ

1-The origin of the duodenum is :

- A- Foregut
- B- Midgut
- C- Hindgut
- D- A and B

2-The lymphatic drainage of the duodenum is :

- A- coeliac
- B- superior mesenteric
- C- A and B
- D- Inferior mesenteric

3-Which level lies the third part of duodenum?

- A-Transpyloric plane.
- B-Subcotal plane
- C-L1 to L3
- D-L3 to L2

4-Which of the following lies anterior to the first part of duodenum?

- A-liver.
- B-Bile duct.
- C-Portal vein.
- D-Aorta.

5-the blood supply for the jejunum and ileum is from the:

- A-Celiac trunk
- B-Superior mesenteric artery
- C-Inferior mesenteric artery

6-which of the following has a major contribution to the thickness of the jejunum?

- A-Plicae circulares
- B-Lymphoid tissue
- C-Mesenteric fat

7- Which of the following lies anterior to the third part of duodenum?

- A- Liver
- B- Superior mesenteric vessels
- C- Inferior mesenteric vessels
- D- Abdominal aorta

8- Which one of the following structures can be injured in case of perforated duodenal ulcer?

- A- Right kidney
- B- Right colic flexure
- C- Gastroduodenal artery
- D- Inferior mesenteric vessels



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