

# **•ANATOMY OF THE 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.***

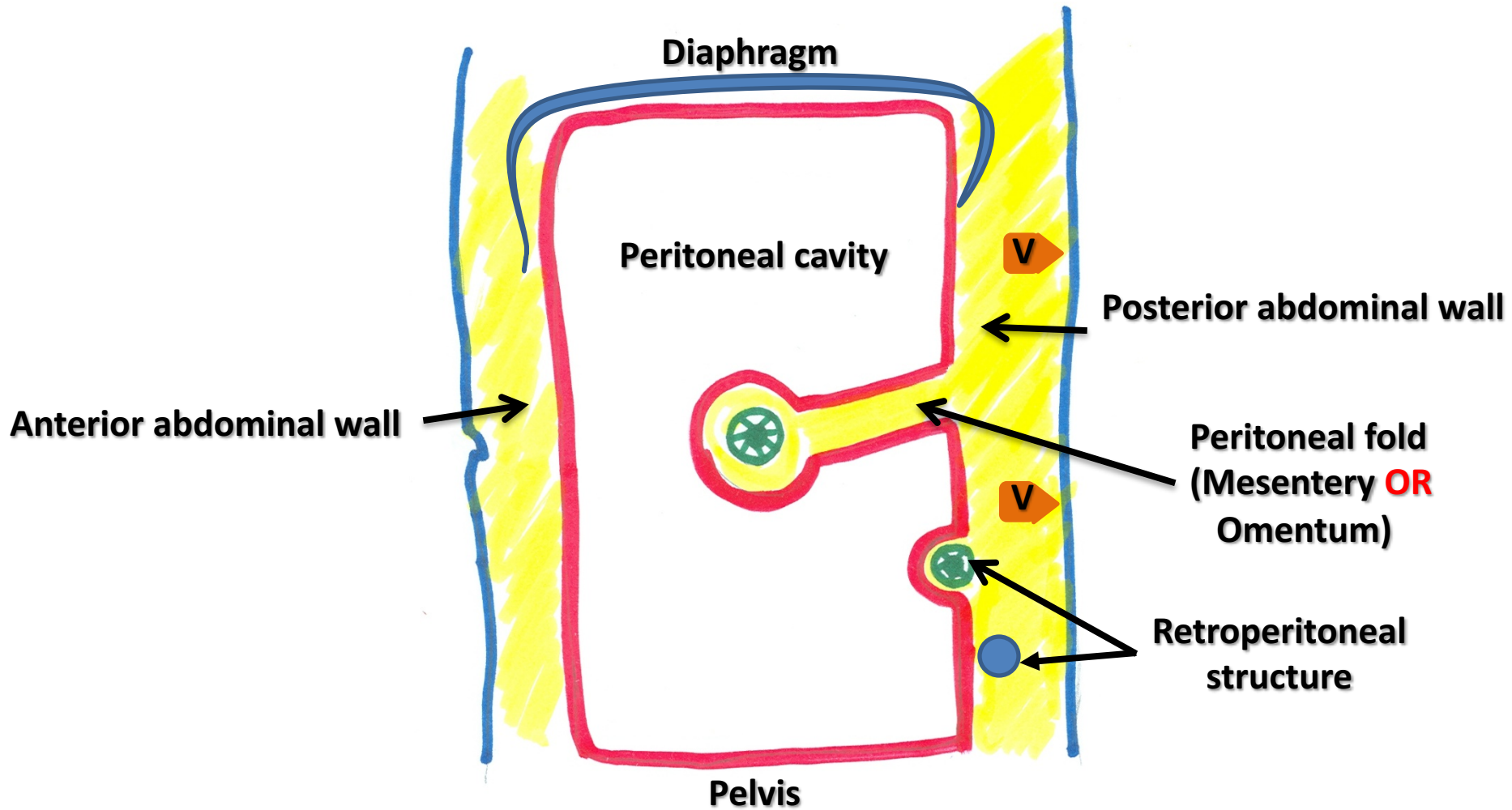
# SMALL INTESTINE

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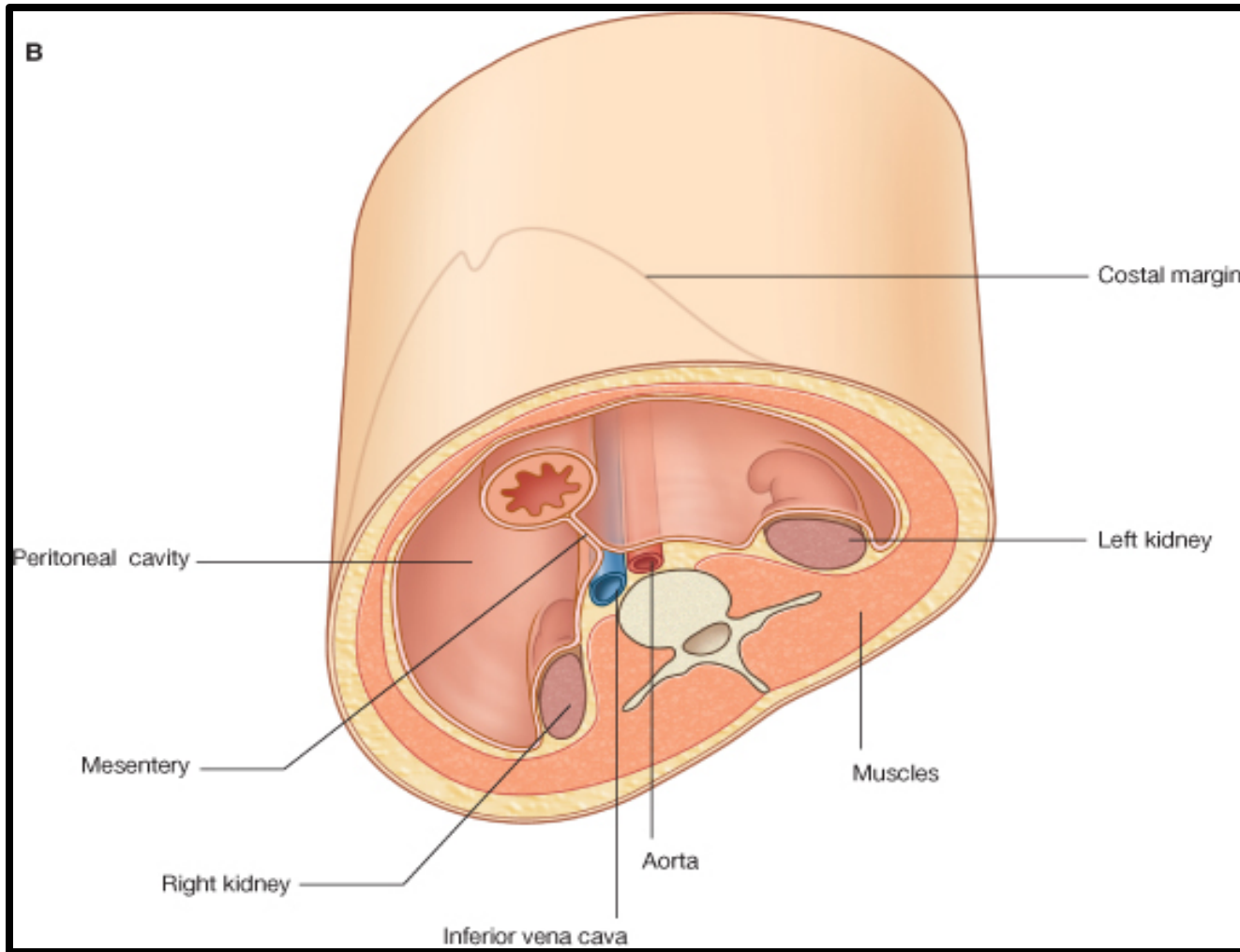
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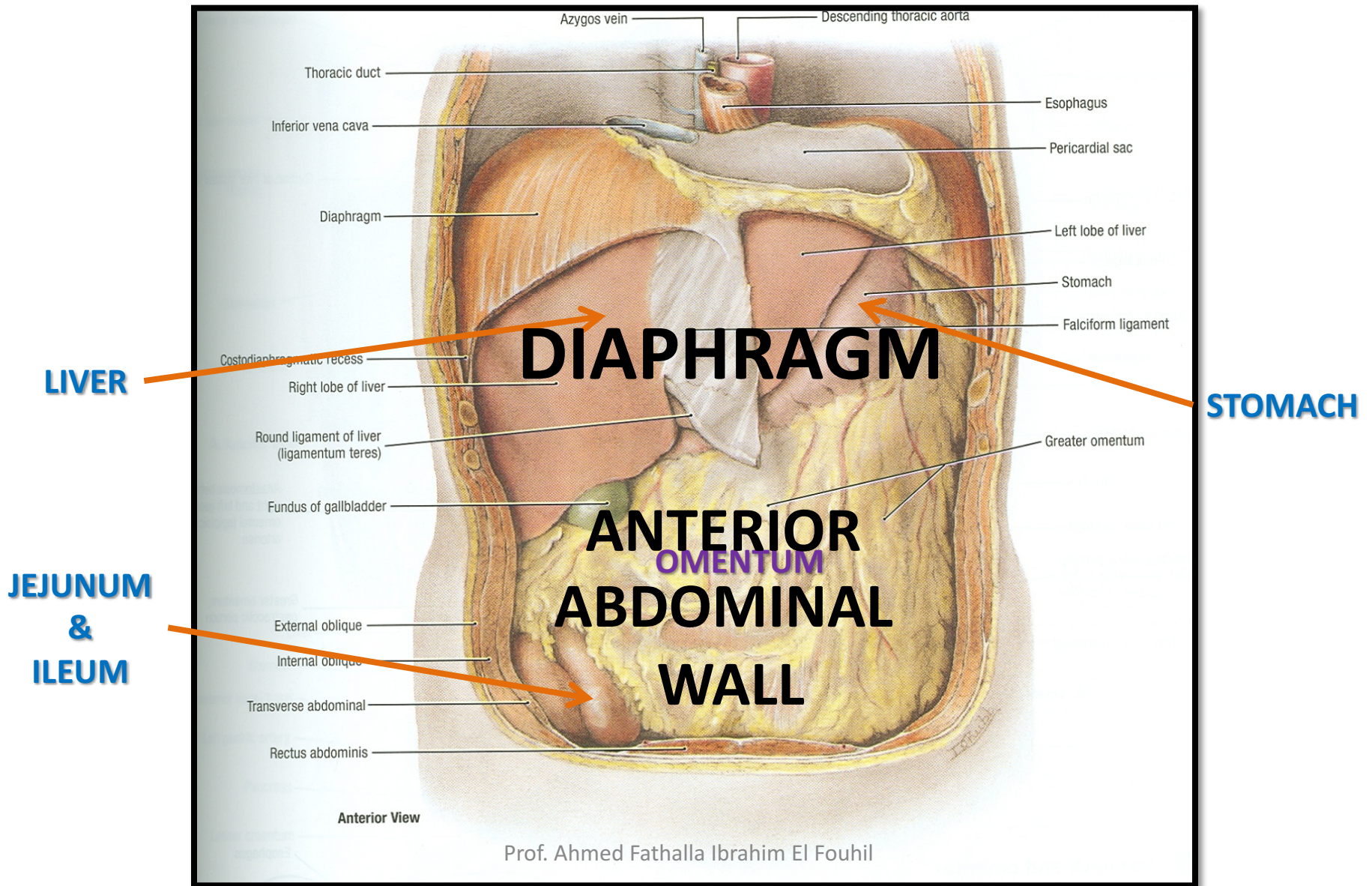


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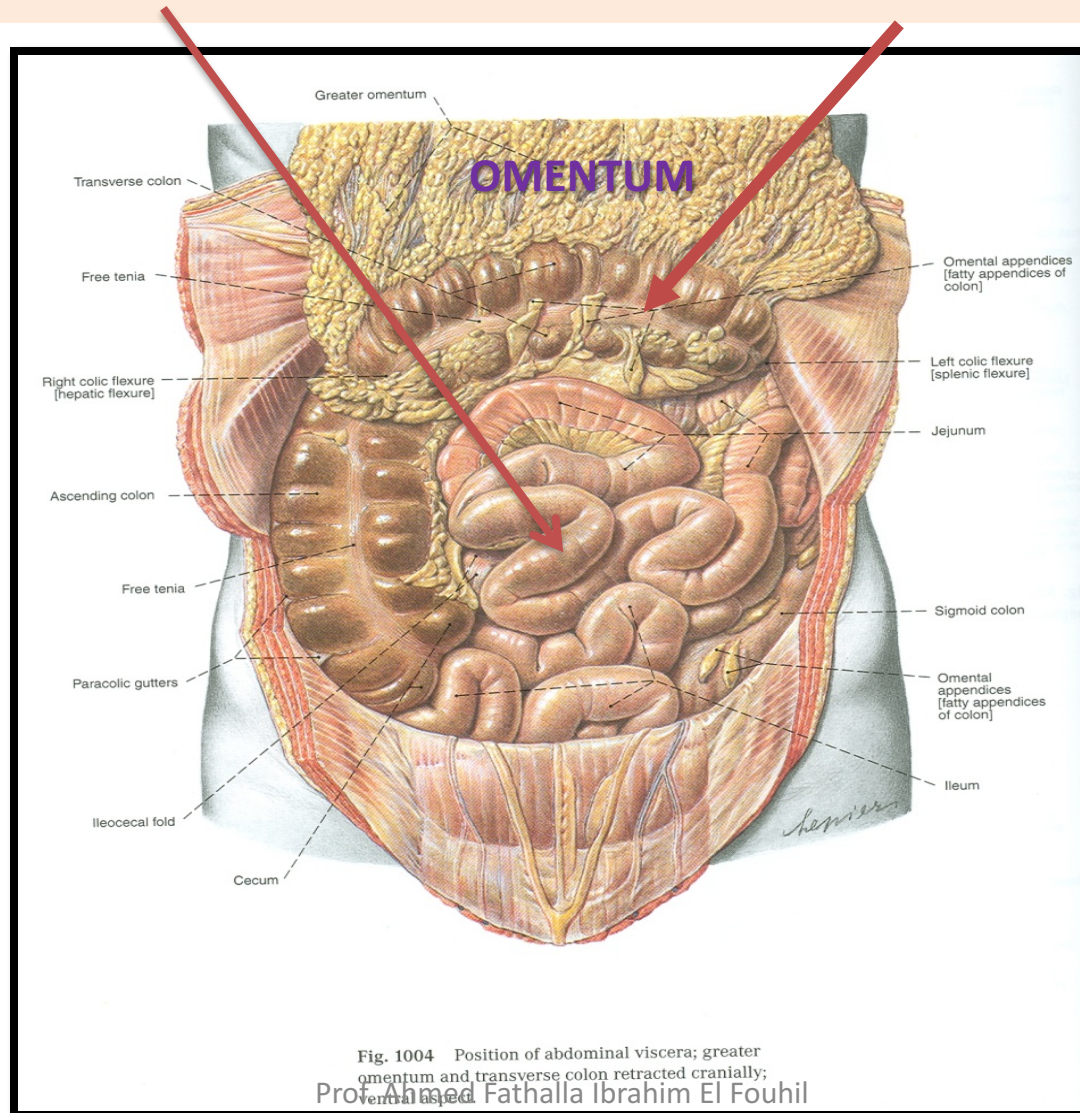


# ABDOMEN - LAYER 1



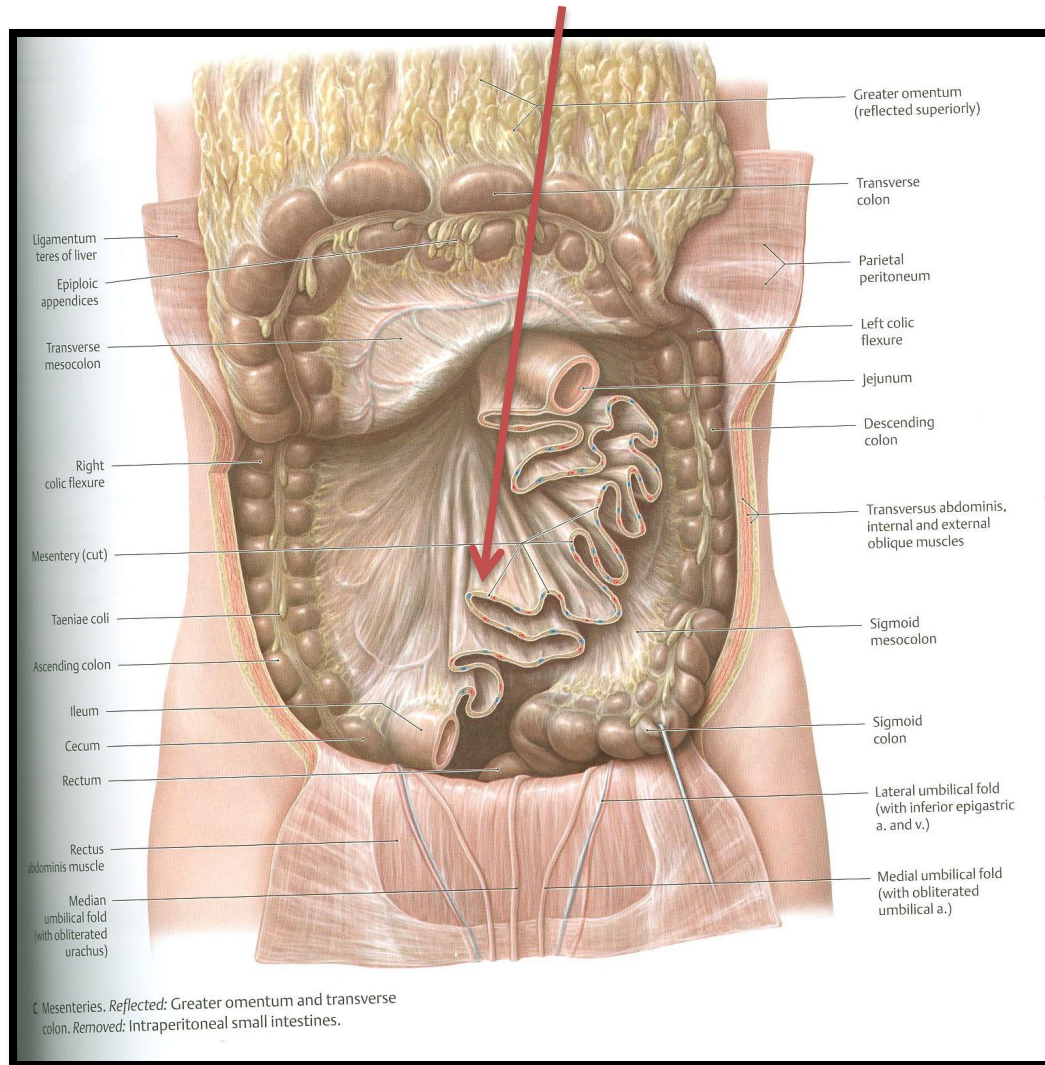
# REST OF LAYER 1

## JEJUNUM & ILEUM + TRANSVERSE COLON





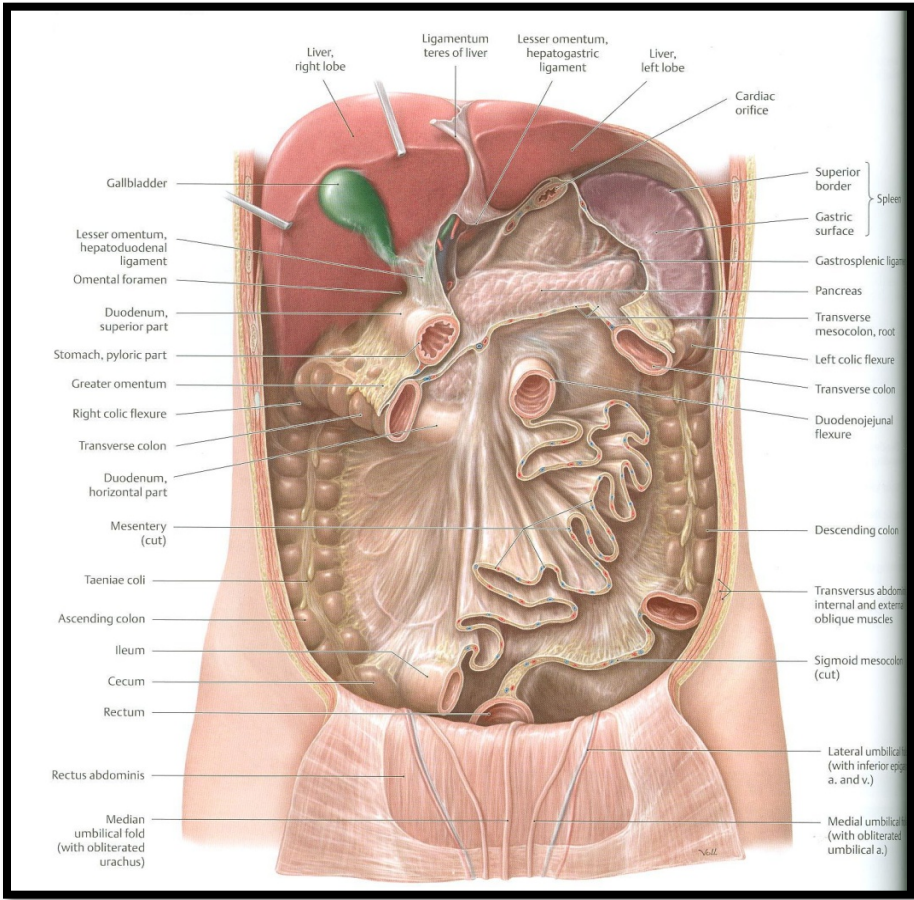
# MESENTERY OF SMALL INTESTINE



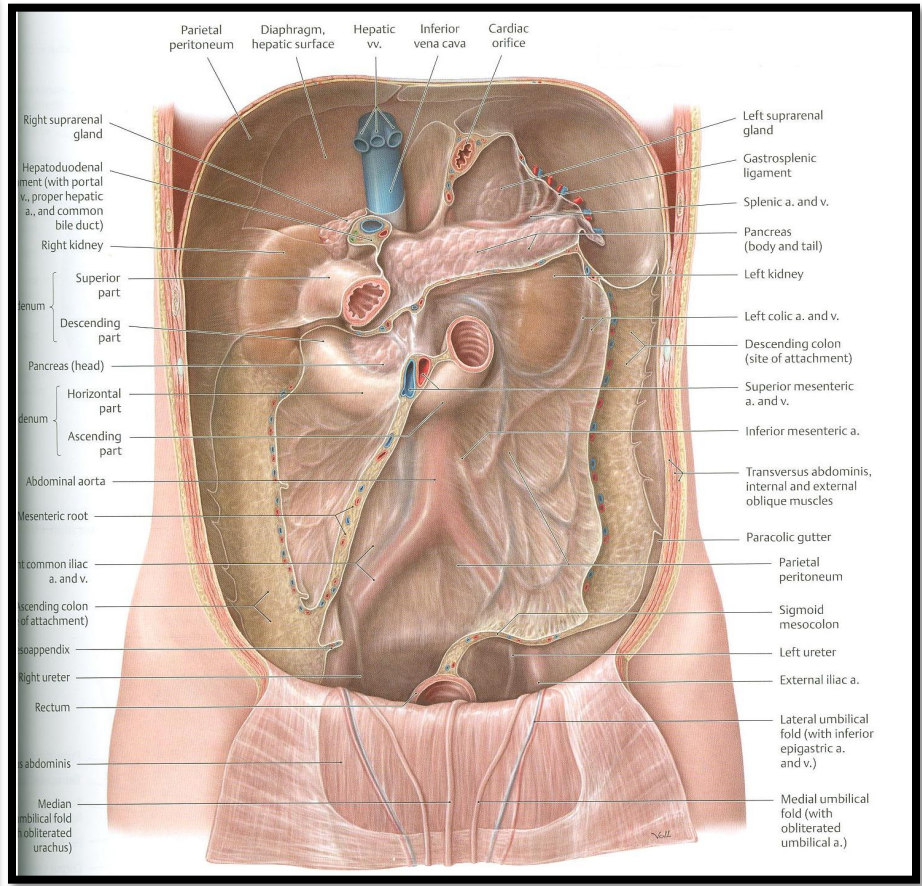
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# ABDOMEN – LAYER 3 (IN BLACK) + PART OF LAYER 2 (IN BLUE)

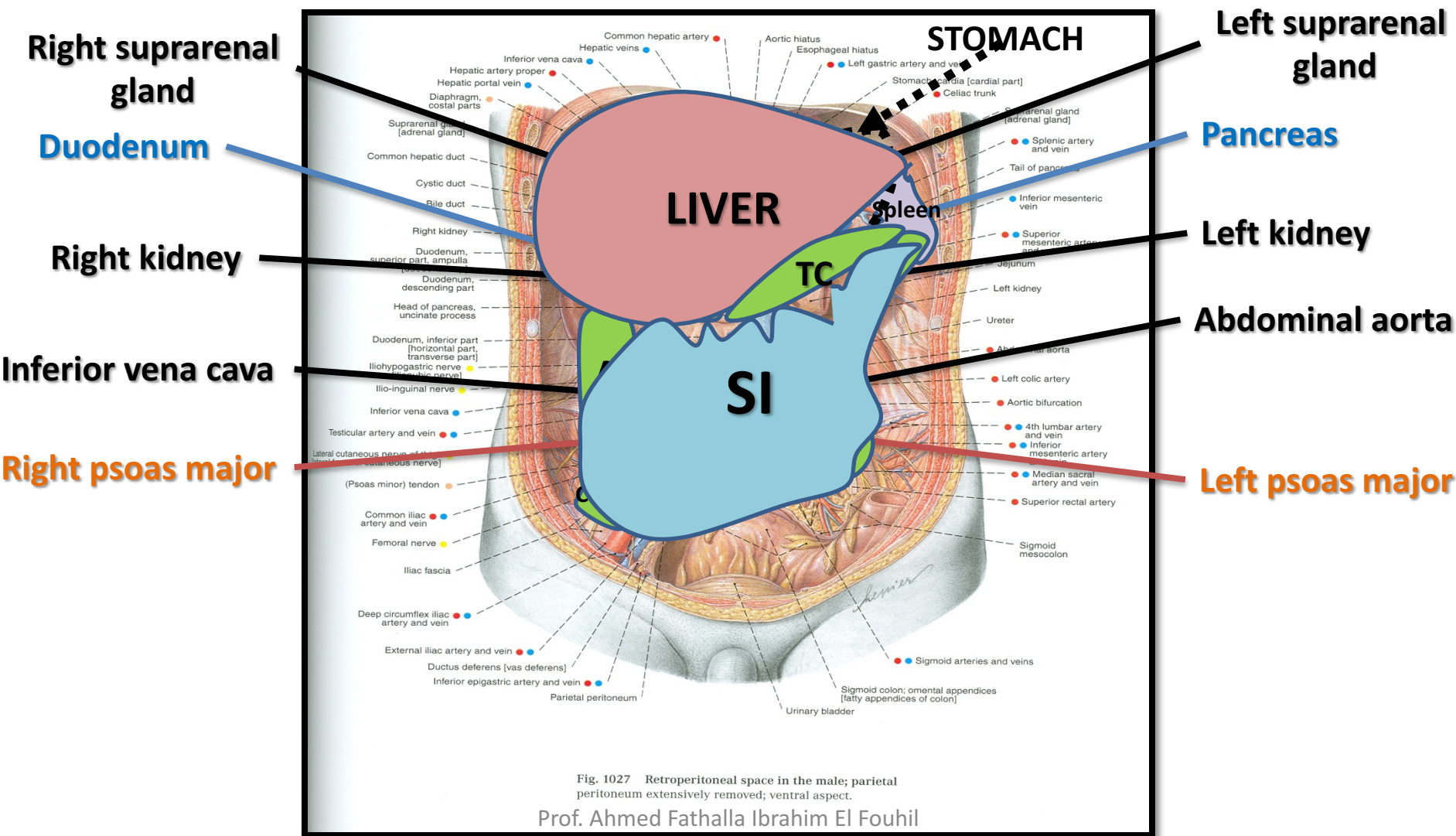


Fig. 1027 Retroperitoneal space in the male; parietal peritoneum extensively removed; ventral aspect.  
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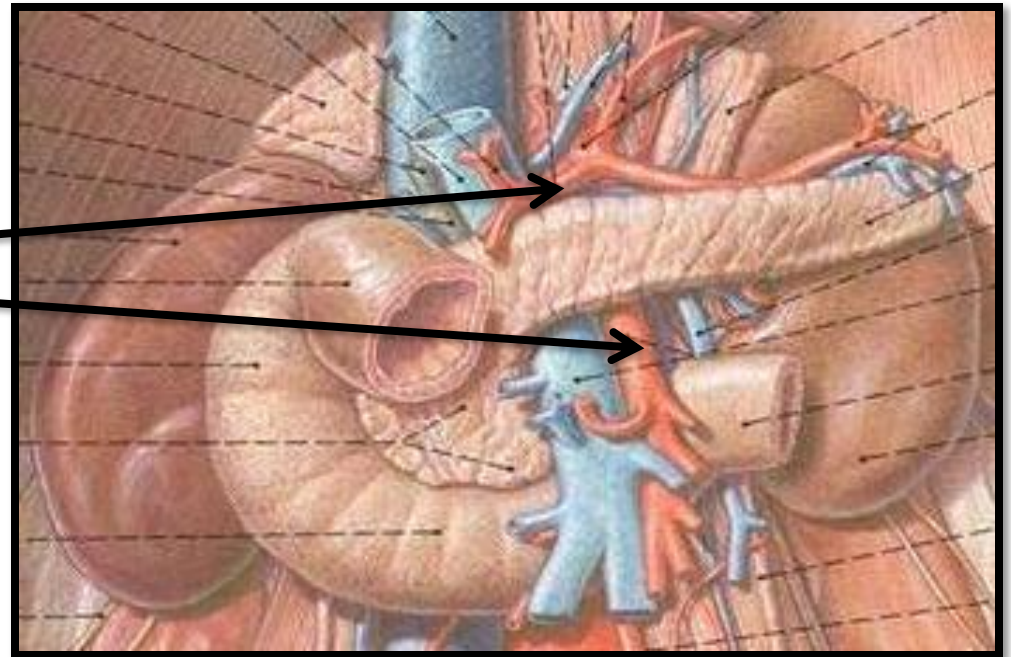
# RELATION BETWEEN EMBRYOLOGICAL ORIGIN & ARTERIAL SUPPLY

## DUODENUM:

☐ Origin: Foregut & Midgut

☐ Arterial supply:

1. Coeliac trunk (artery of foregut)
2. Superior mesenteric: (artery of midgut)




## JEJUNUM & ILEUM:

☐ Origin: Midgut

☐ Arterial supply:

Superior mesenteric: (artery of midgut)

# DUODENUM

- ❑ **SHAPE:** C-shaped loop
  - ❑ **LENGTH:** 10 inches
  - ❑ **BEGINNING:** at pyloro-duodenal junction
  - ❑ **TERMINATION:** at duodeno-jejunal flexure
  - ❑ **PERITONEAL COVERING:** retroperitoneal
  - ❑ **DIVISIONS:** 4 parts
  - ❑ **EMBRYOLOGICAL ORIGIN:** foregut & midgut
  - ❑ **ARTERIAL SUPPLY:** coeliac & superior mesenteric
  - ❑ **LYMPHATIC DRAINAGE:** coeliac & superior mesenteric
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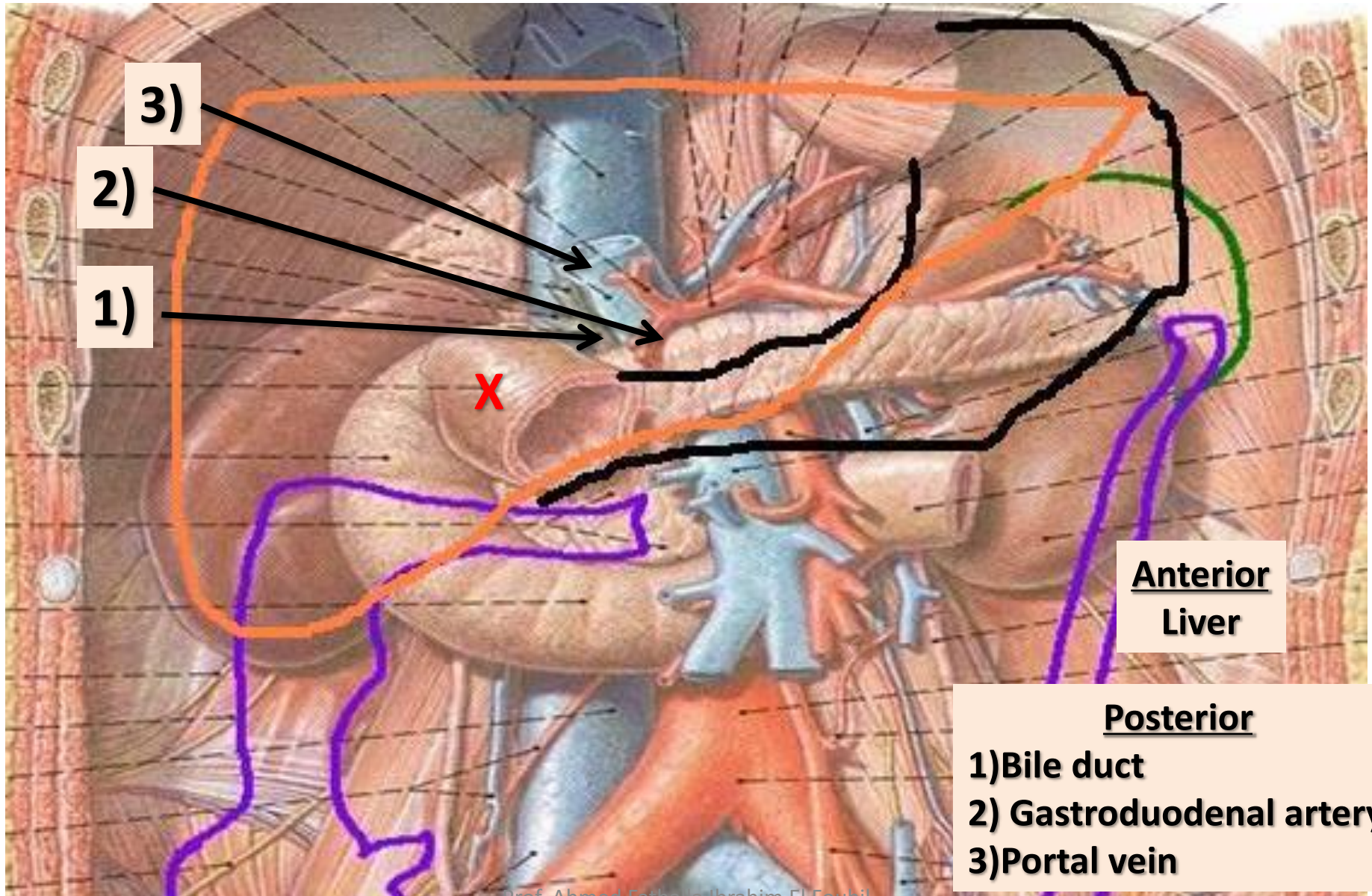


# **DUODENUM**

## **LENGTH – SURFACE ANATOMY**

<b>PART</b>	<b>LENGTH</b>	<b>LEVEL</b>
<b>FIRST PART (HORIZONTAL)</b>	<b>2 INCHES</b>	<b>L1 (TRANSPYLORIC PLANE)</b>
<b>SECOND PART (DESCENDING)</b>	<b>3 INCHES</b>	<b>DESCENDS FROM L1 TO L3</b>
<b>THIRD PART (HORIZONTAL)</b>	<b>4 INCHES</b>	<b>L3 (SUBCOTAL PLANE)</b>
<b>FOURTH PART (ASCENDING)</b>	<b>1 INCHES</b>	<b>ASCENDS FROM L3 TO L2</b>

# RELATIONS OF FIRST PART





# RELATIONS OF SECOND PART

## Anterior

- 1) Liver
- 2) TC
- 3) SI

Posterior  
Right kidney

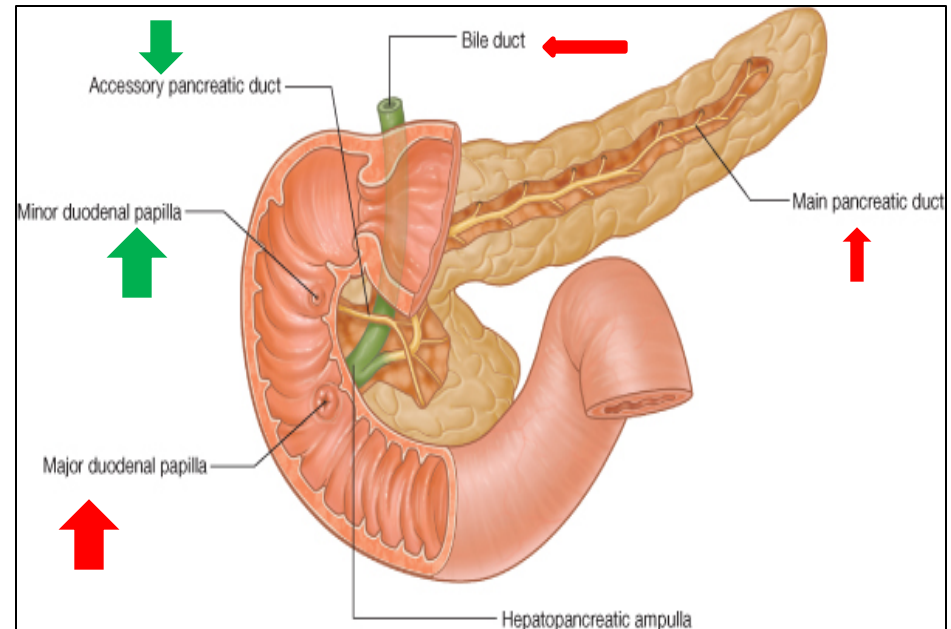
Lateral  
RCF

Medial  
Pancreas



# OPENINGS IN SECOND PART OF DUODENUM

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.





# RELATIONS OF THIRD PART

## Anterior:

a) Small intestine

b) Superior mesenteric vessels

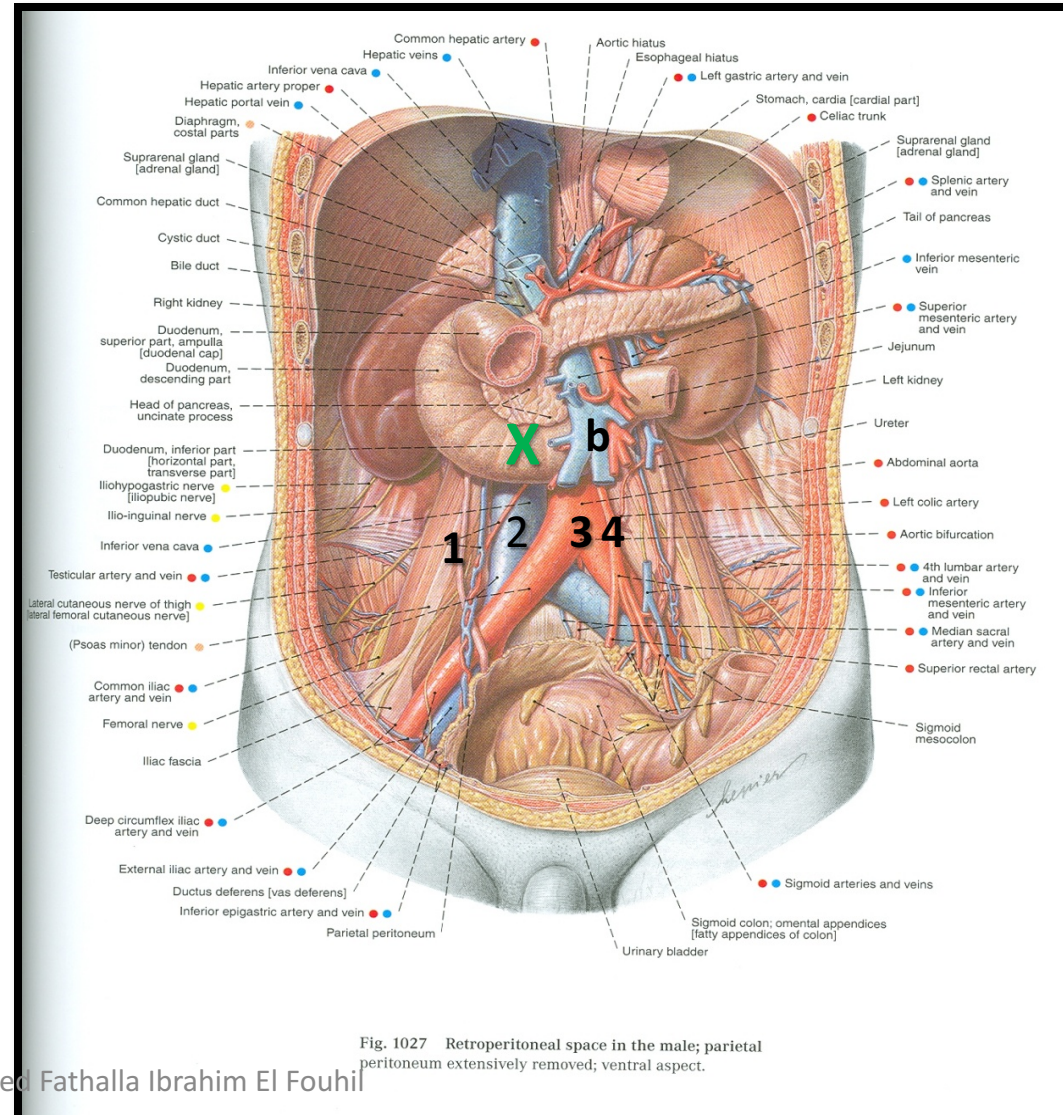
## Posterior:

1) Right psoas major

2) Inferior vena cava

3) Abdominal aorta

4) Inferior mesenteric vessels



# RELATIONS OF FOURTH PART

□ Anterior:  
Small intestine

□ Posterior:  
Left psoas major

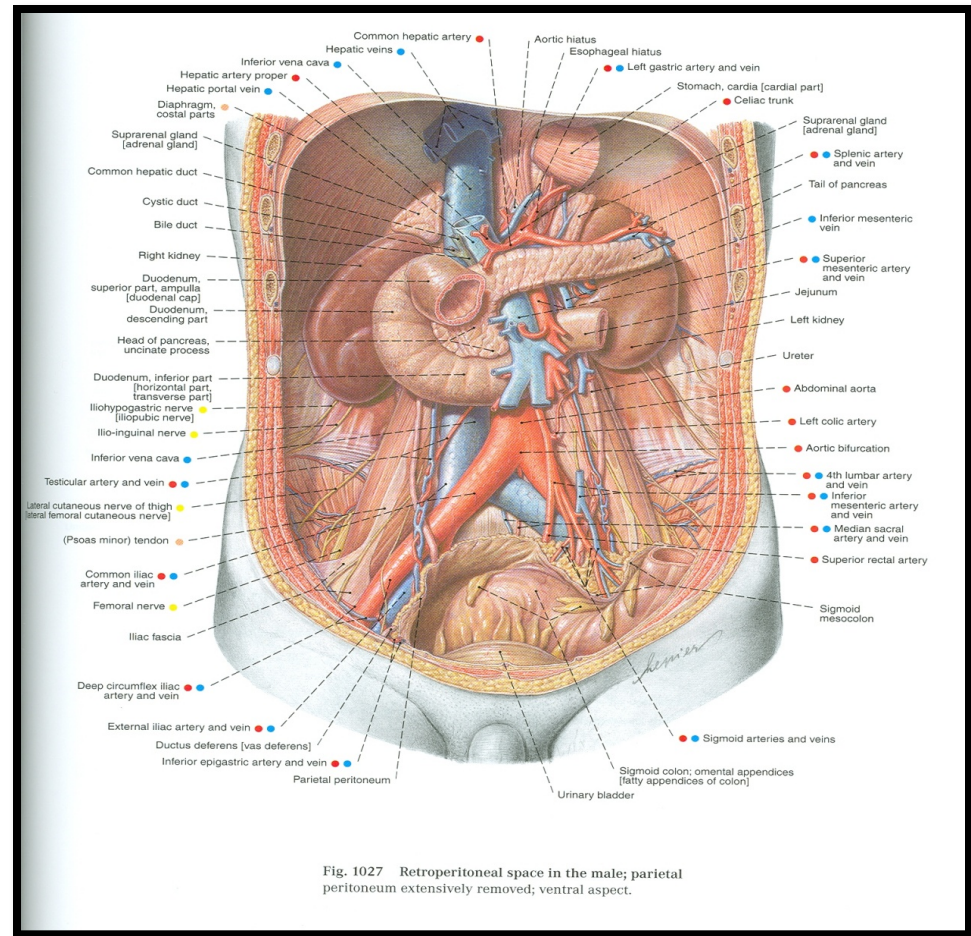
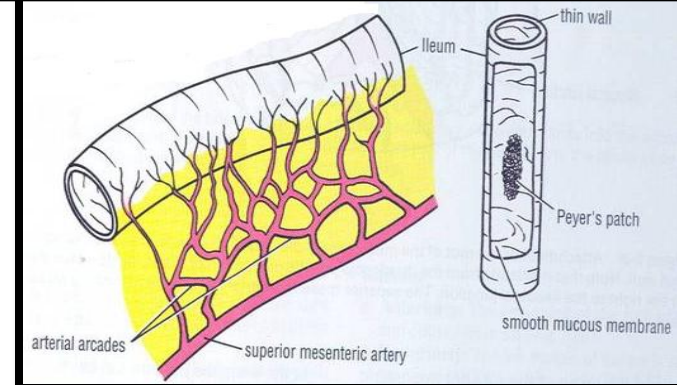
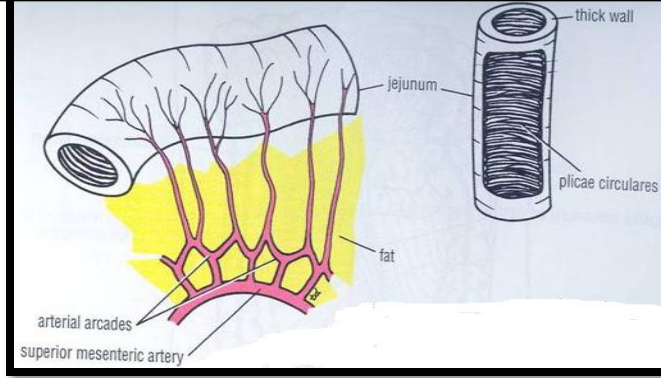


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# JEJUNUM & ILEUM

- ❑ **SHAPE:** coiled tube
- ❑ **LENGTH:** 6 meters (20 feet)
- ❑ **BEGINNING:** at duodeno-jejunal flexure
- ❑ **TERMINATION:** at ileo-caecal junction
- ❑ **PERITONEAL FOLD:** mesentery of small intestine
- ❑ **EMBRYOLOGICAL ORIGIN:** midgut
- ❑ **ARTERIAL SUPPLY:** superior mesenteric
- ❑ **LYMPHATIC DRAINAGE:** superior mesenteric




	<b>JEJUNUM</b>	<b>ILEUM</b>
<b>LENGTH</b>	Shorter (proximal 2/5)	Longer (distal 3/5)
<b>DIAMETER</b>	Wider	Narrower
<b>WALL</b>	Thicker (more plicae circulares)	Thinner (less plica circulares)
<b>APPEARANCE</b>	Dark red (more vascular)	Light red (less vascular)
<b>VESSELS</b>	Less arcades (long terminal branches)	More arcades (short terminal branches)
<b>MESENTERIC FAT</b>	Small amount near intestinal border	Large amount near intestinal border
<b>LYMPHOID TISSUE</b>	Few aggregations	Numerous aggregations (Peyer's patches)




# QUESTION 1

Which one of the following is anterior to the third part of duodenum?

1. Superior mesenteric vessels 
2. Right kidney
3. Right posas major muscle
4. Abdominal aorta

## QUESTION 2

Which one of the following structures could be injured in case of perforated duodenal ulcer?

1. Right kidney
2. Right colic flexure
3. Gastroduodenal artery 
4. Inferior mesenteric vessels

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