

# Embryology Of Gastrointestinal Tract

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## □ Endoderm :

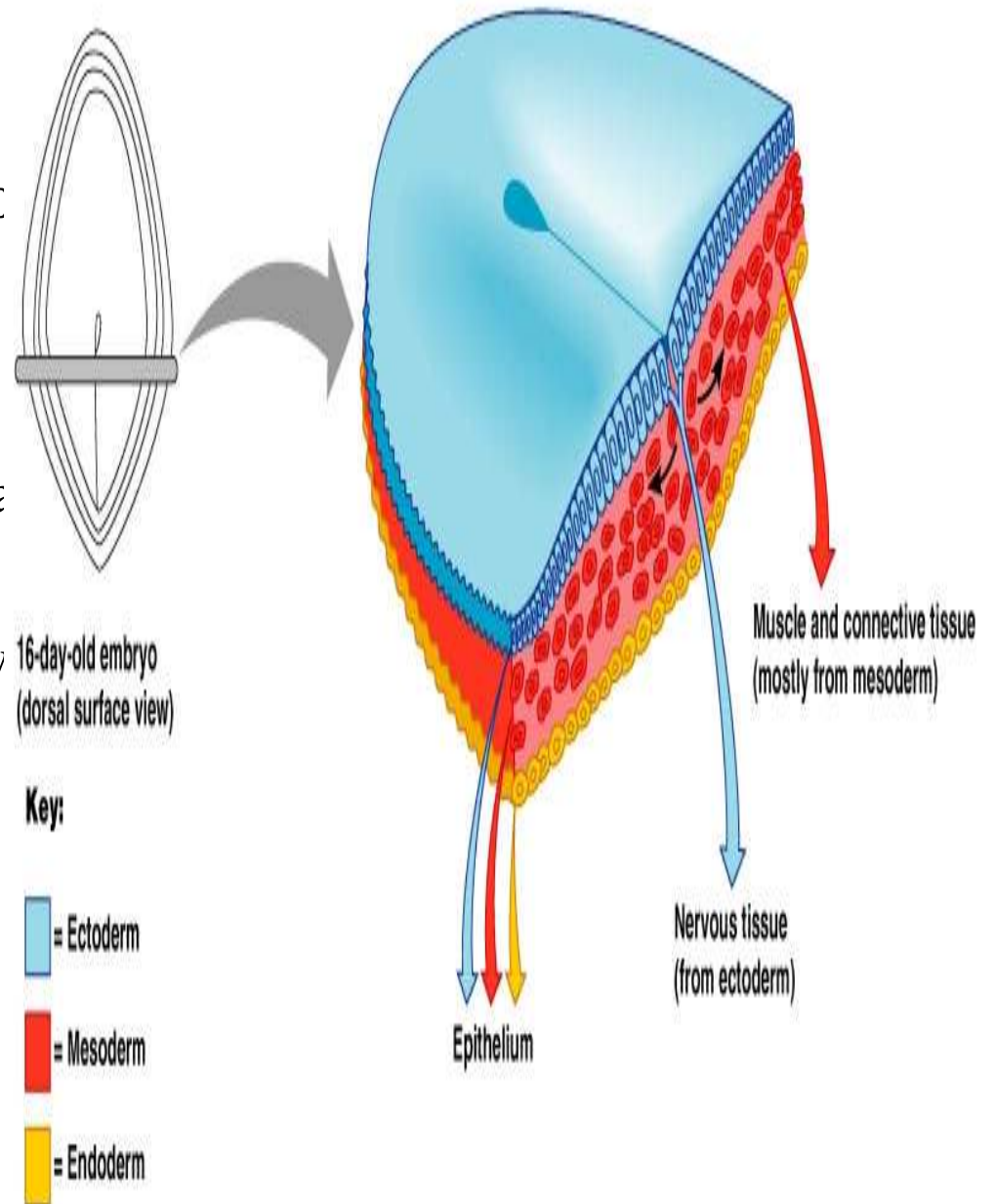
Epithelial lining & specific cells & glands (liver, pancreas).

## □ Visceral Mesoderm:

Lamina propria, muscularis mucosae, submucosa, muscularis externa, serosa, stroma of glands, mesentery & blood vessels.

## □ Ectoderm:

Enteric nervous system .



Esophagus  
x-section

Muscularis Externa

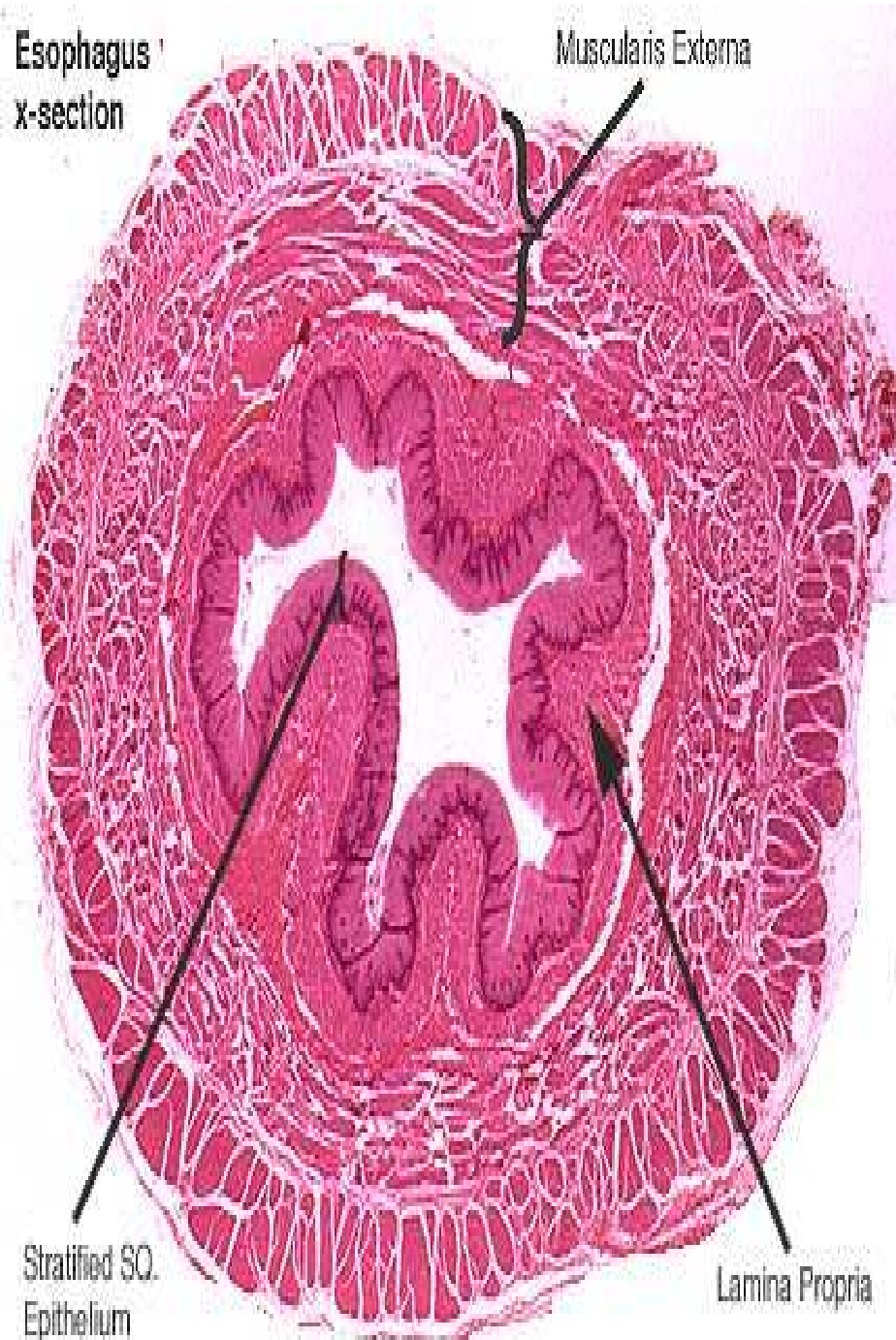
Stratified SQ.  
Epithelium  
Non-keratinized

Lamina Propria

Ectoderm

Mesoderm

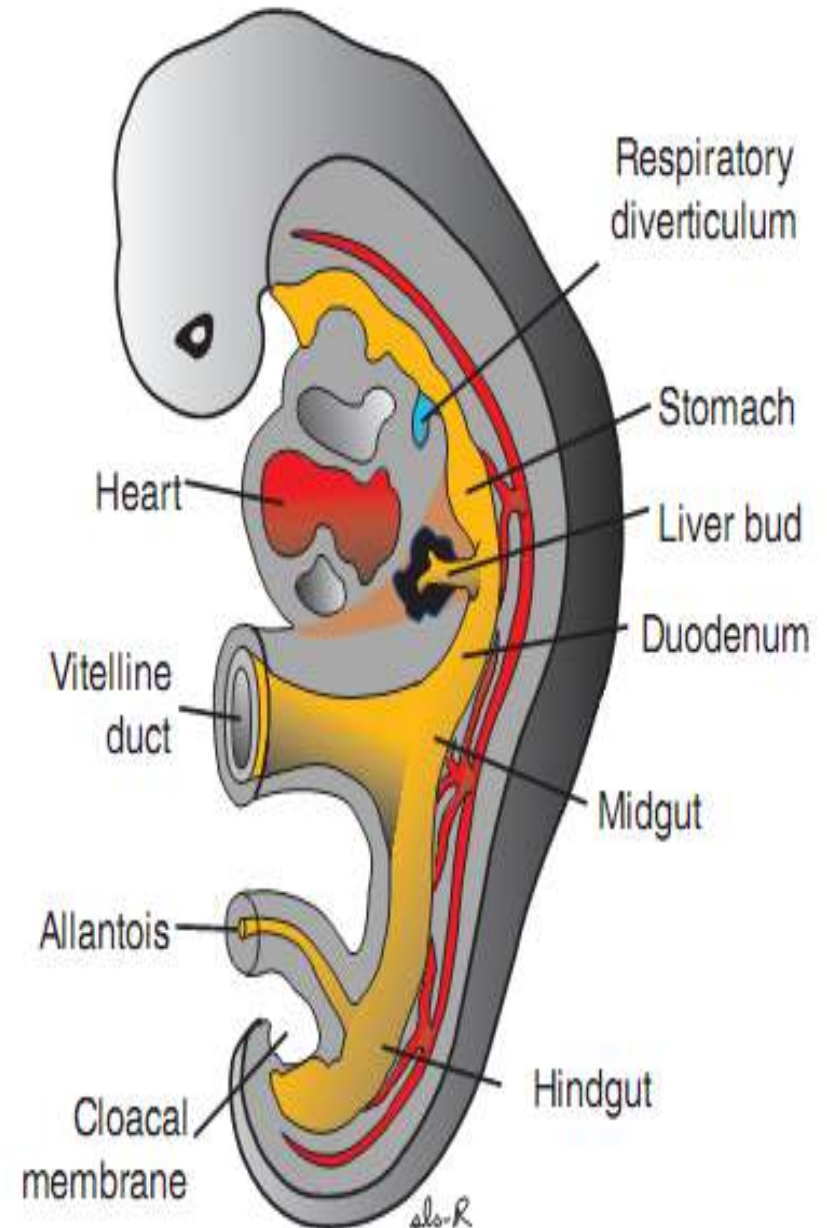
Endoderm



# Primitive Gut Tube :

➤ During craniocaudal & lateral folding of the embryo.

- 1) Foregut.
- 2) Midgut.
- 3) Hindgut.



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## Foregut :

- Oral cavity, pharynx, esophagus
- Stomach ,Upper Duodenum
- Liver
- Gallbladder & bile ducts
- Pancreas

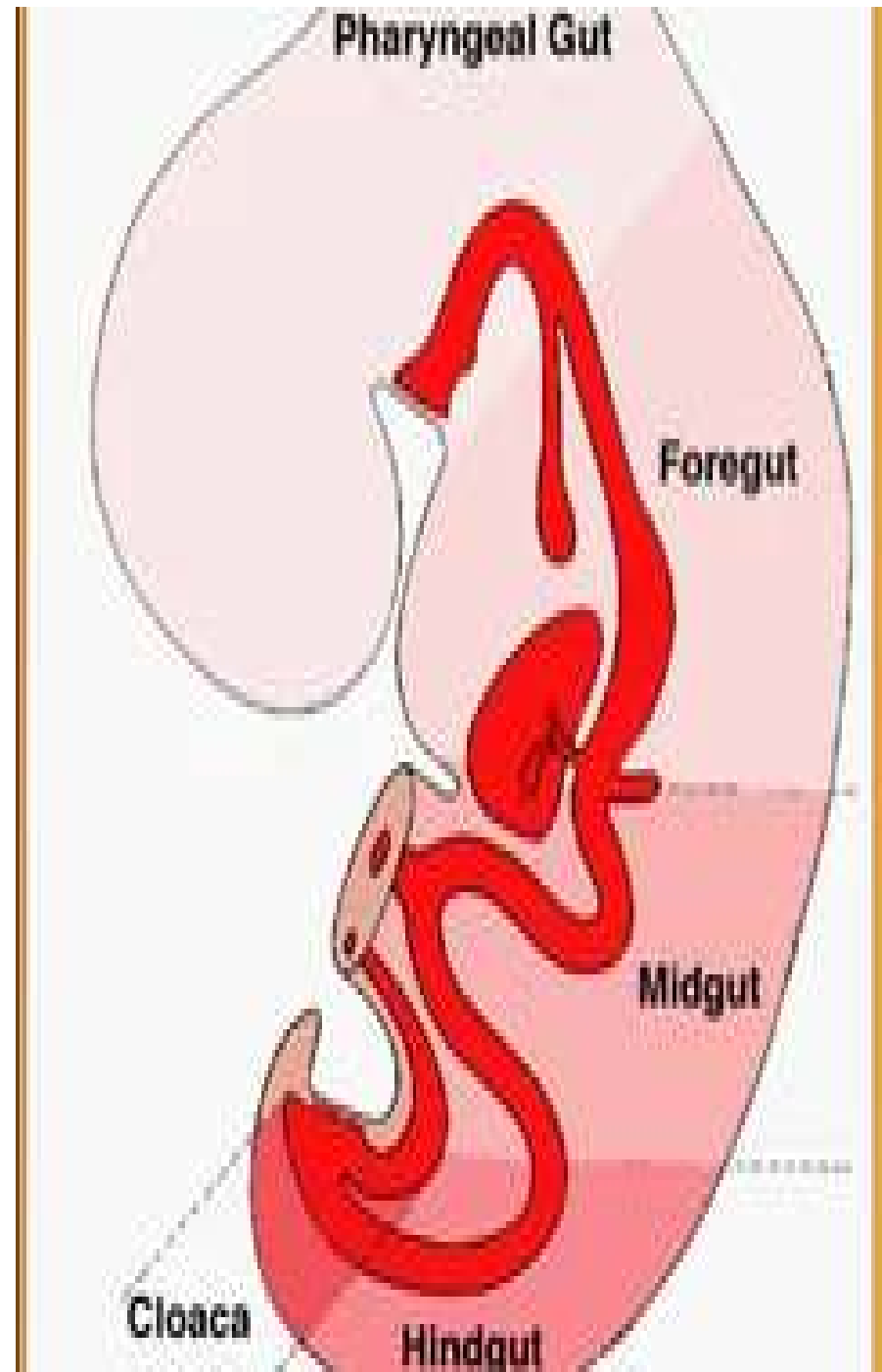
**Midgut :** rest of duodenum till

distal1/3 of transverse colon

**Hindgut :** from distal1/3 of

transverse colon ----- cloaca

( rectum ,anus ).

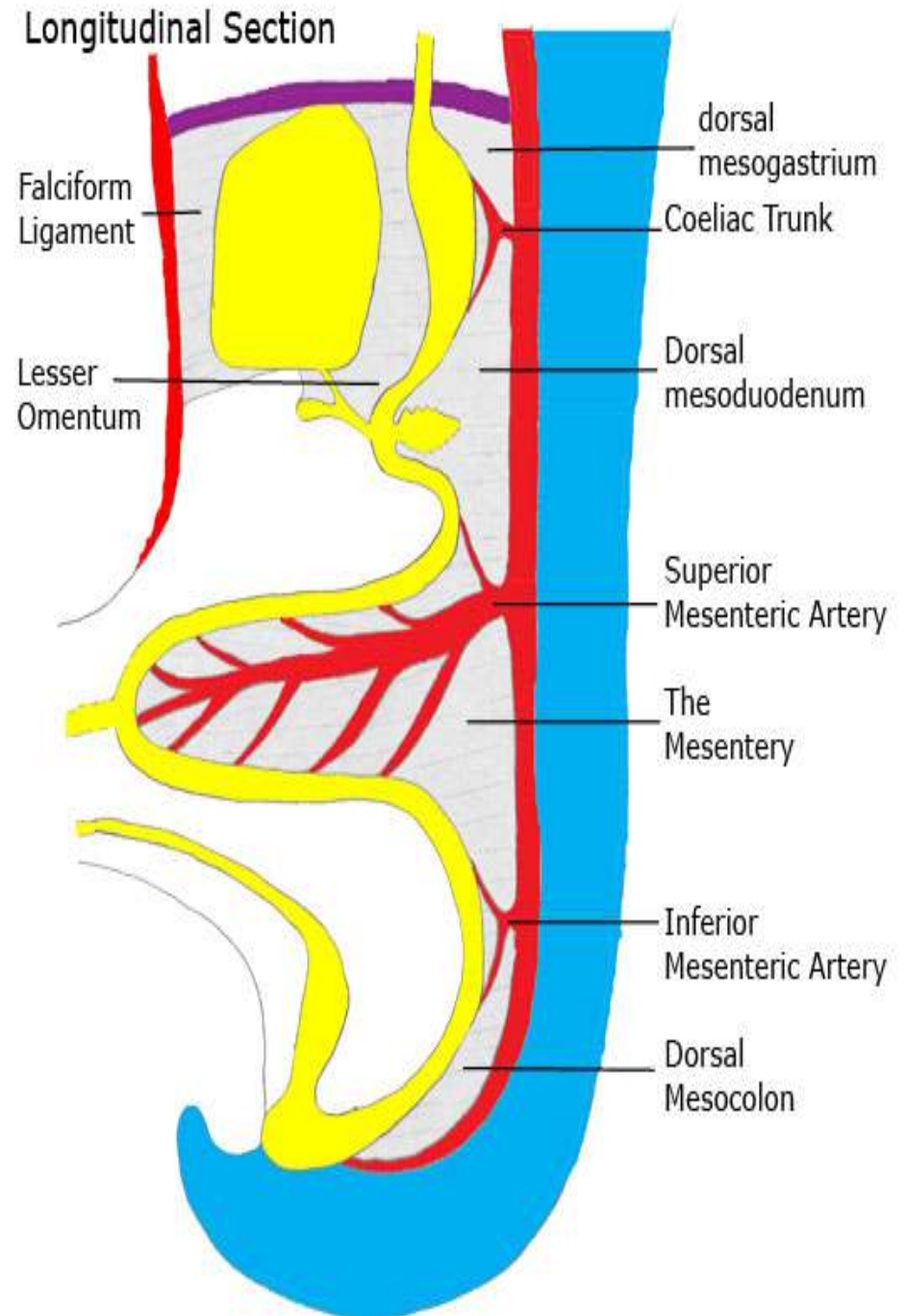


# Mesentery:

Primitive gut has :

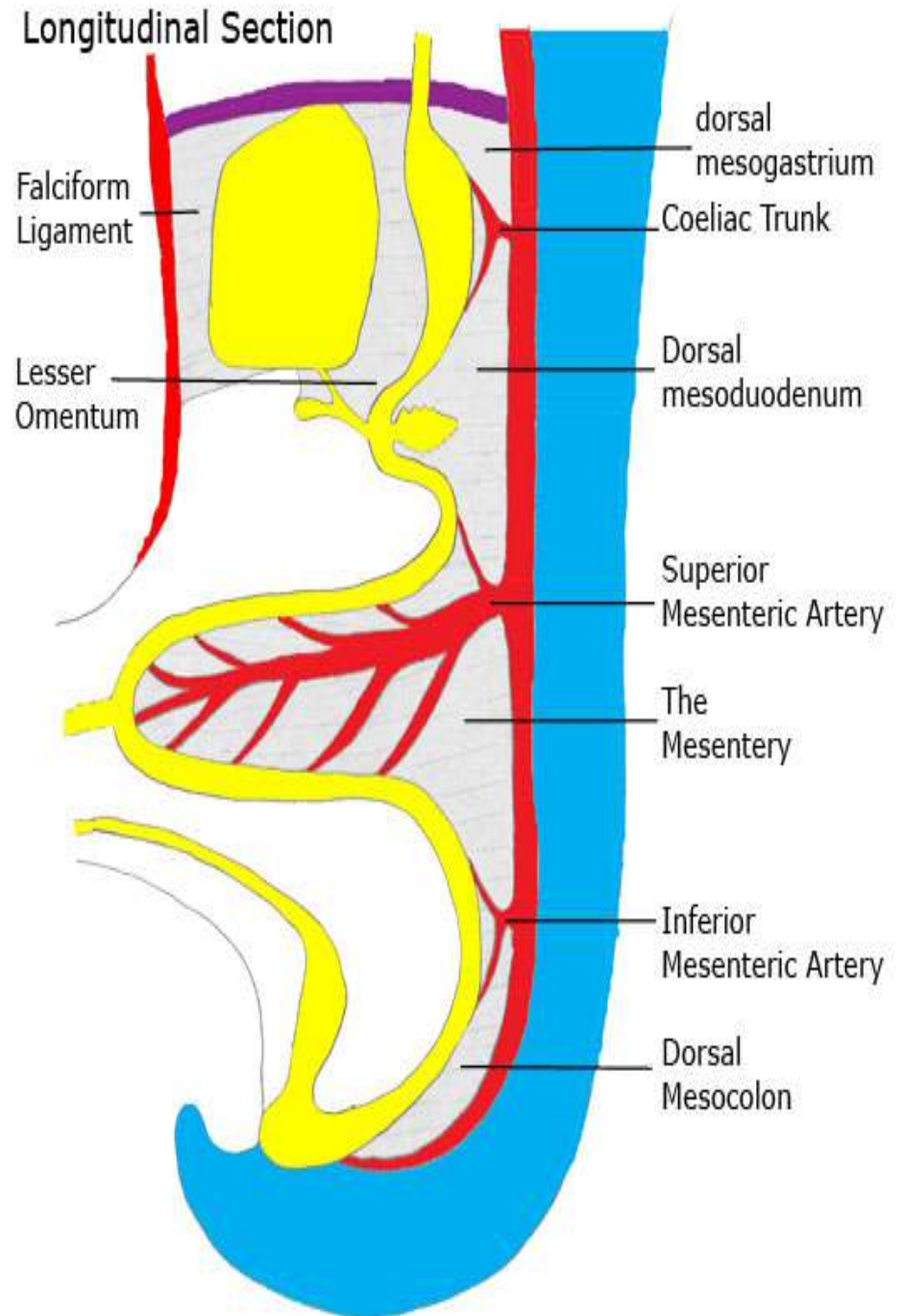
1) **Dorsal mesentery**: initially it connects gut to posterior abdominal wall but at 5<sup>th</sup> wk ,it narrowed and presented in :

- **Stomach region** (dorsal mesogastrium or greater omentum)
- **Duodenum** (dorsal mesoduodenum )
- **Colon** ( dorsal mesocolon)
- **jejunum & ileum** (mesentery proper)



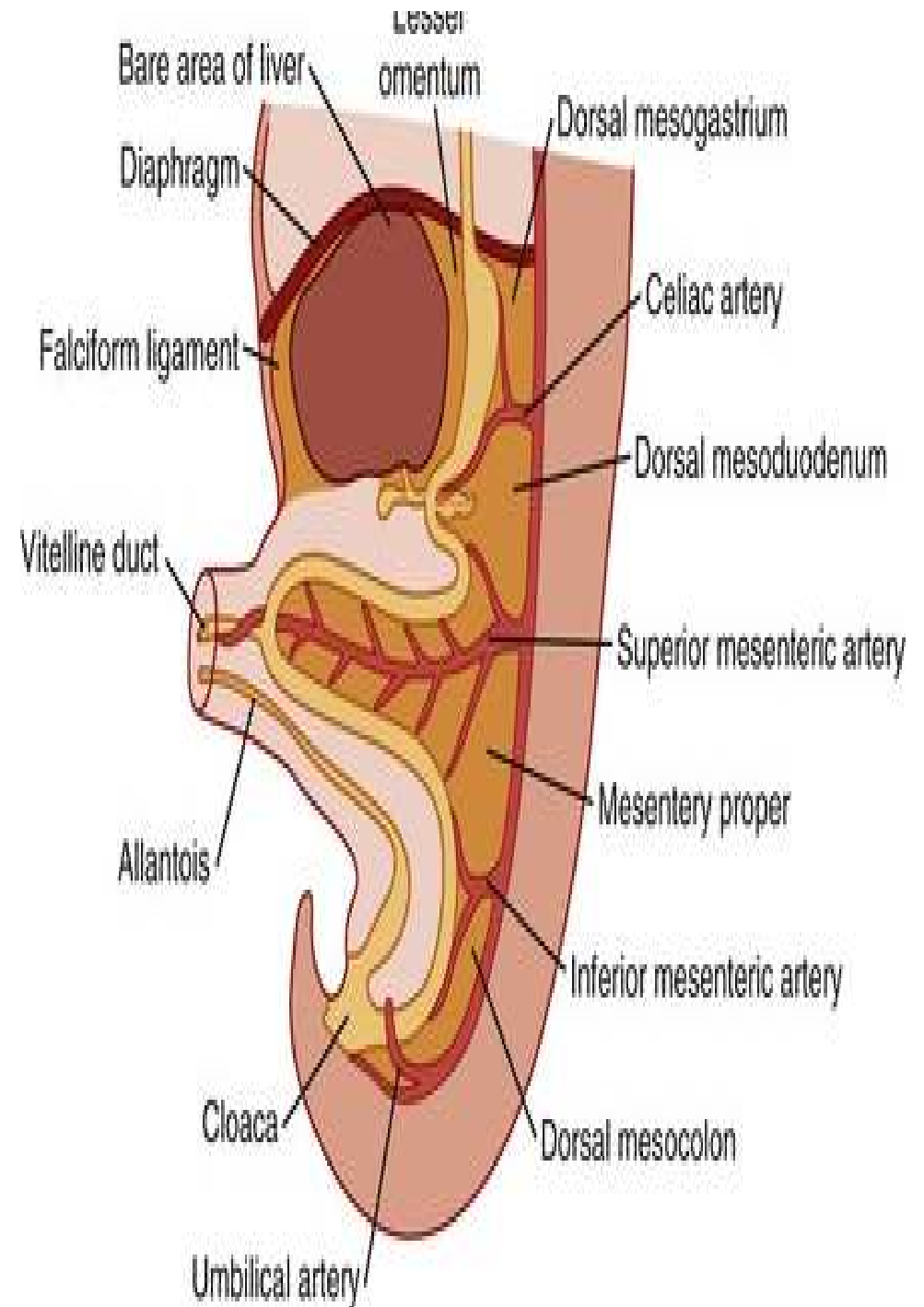
## 2) Ventral mesentery:

- It is presented in the terminal part of the esophagus, stomach & upper duodenum.
- Once the liver invades & grows, it divided the ventral mesentery to:
  - **ventral mesogastrium or lesser omentum** which connects the terminal part of the esophagus, stomach & upper duodenum to the liver.



➤ **Falciform ligament** which connect liver to ventral body wall.

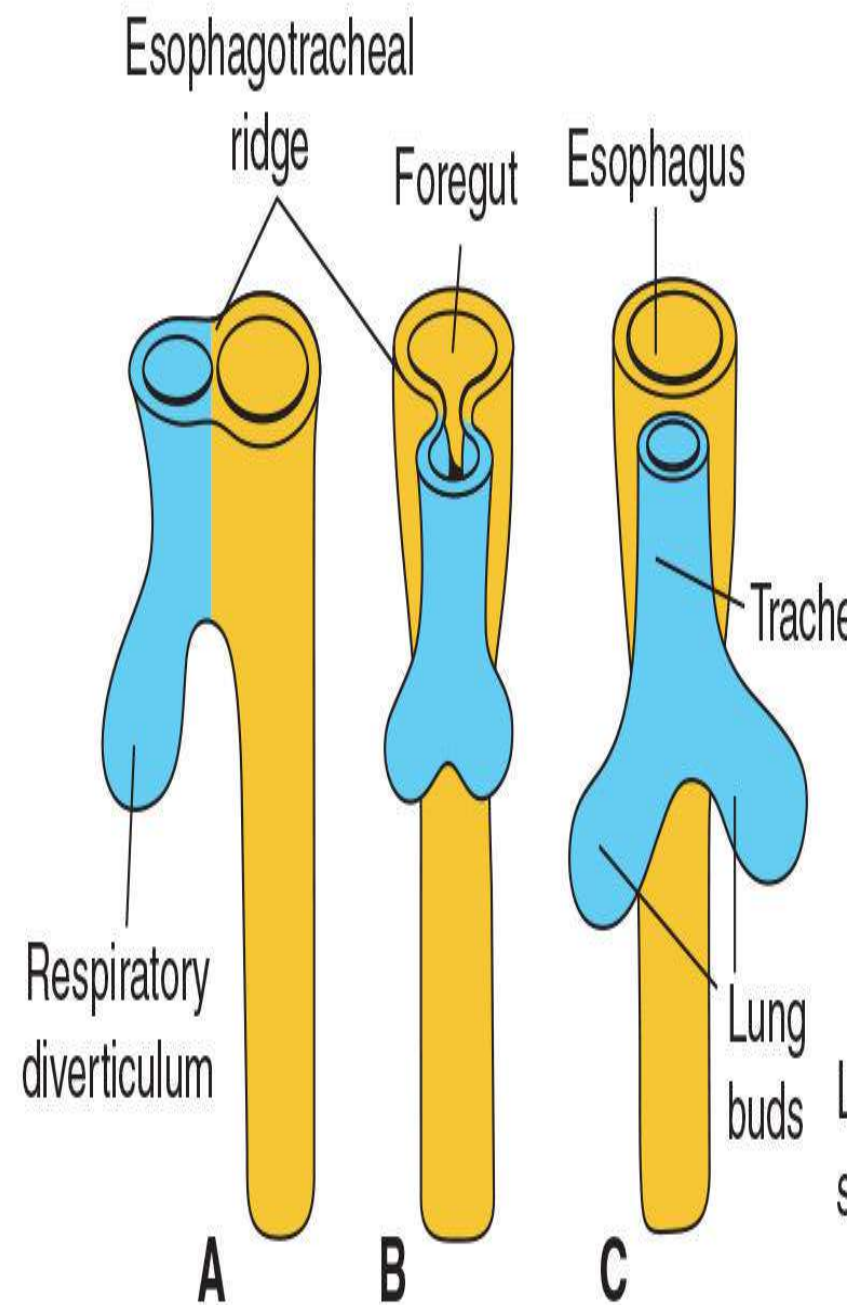
The Free margin of falciform ligament contain umbilical vein which obliterated after birth.





# Esophagus :

- ❑ It developed at **4 wk** .
- ❑ Foregut caudal to pharyngeal gut started budding of **respiratory diverticulum (lung bud)** ventrally then tracheoesophageal septum form to separated lung bud from esophagus.
- ❑ at first time the esophagus is short but because descent of heart & lung it rapidly lengthen.



# Stomach:

- It arises at 4 wk of fetal life.
- Its appearance & position is greatly changed during development .why?
- The positional changes assumed when stomach rotates around the longitudinal , anteroposterior axis.

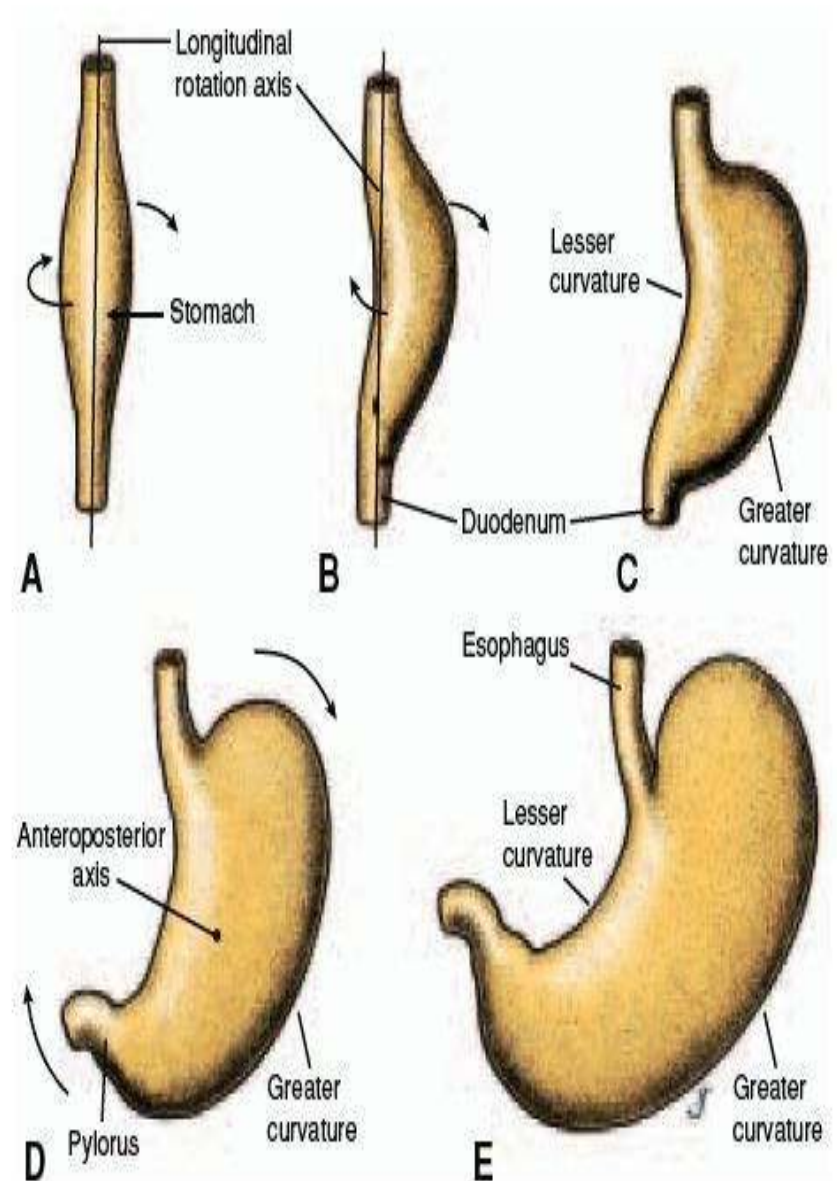
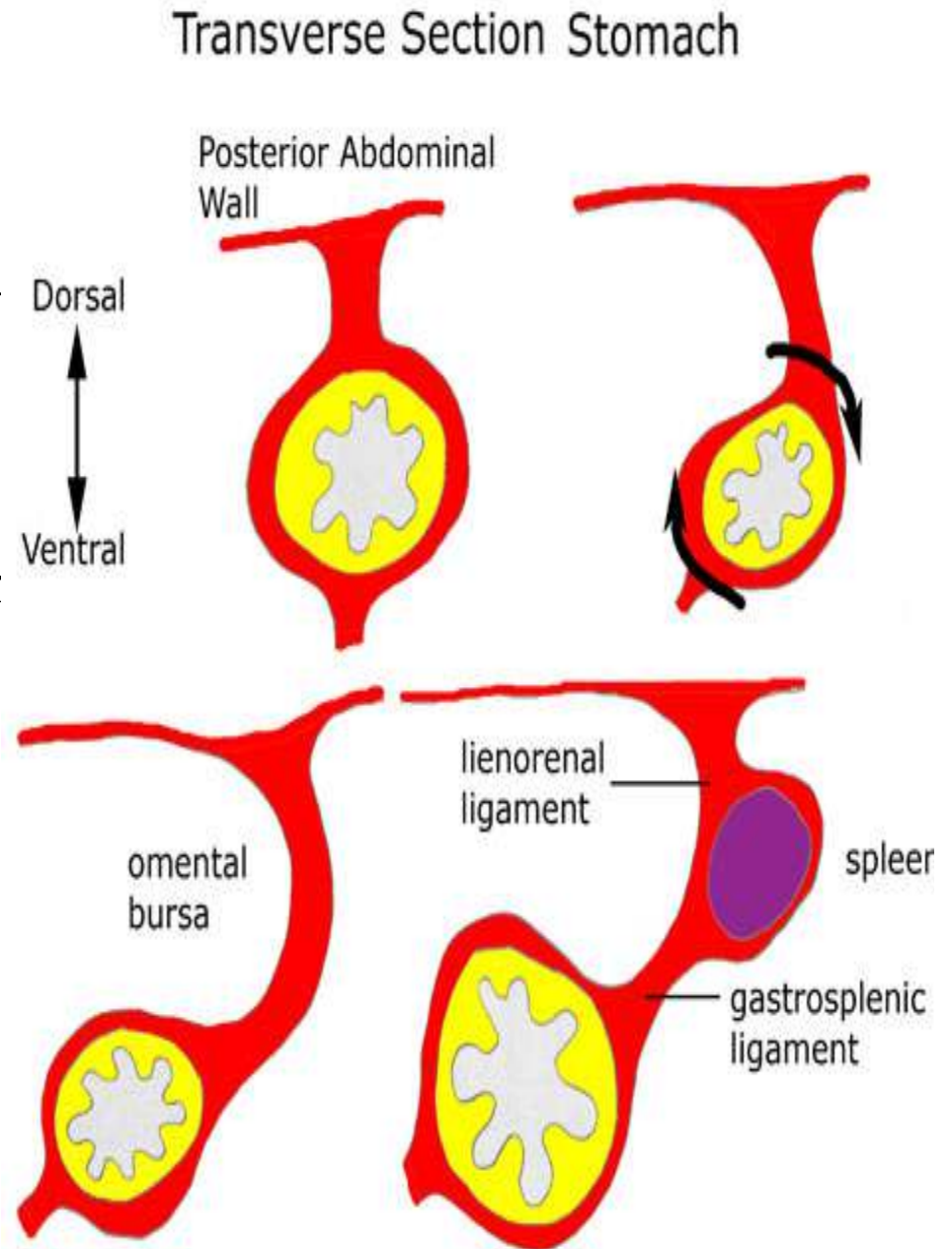
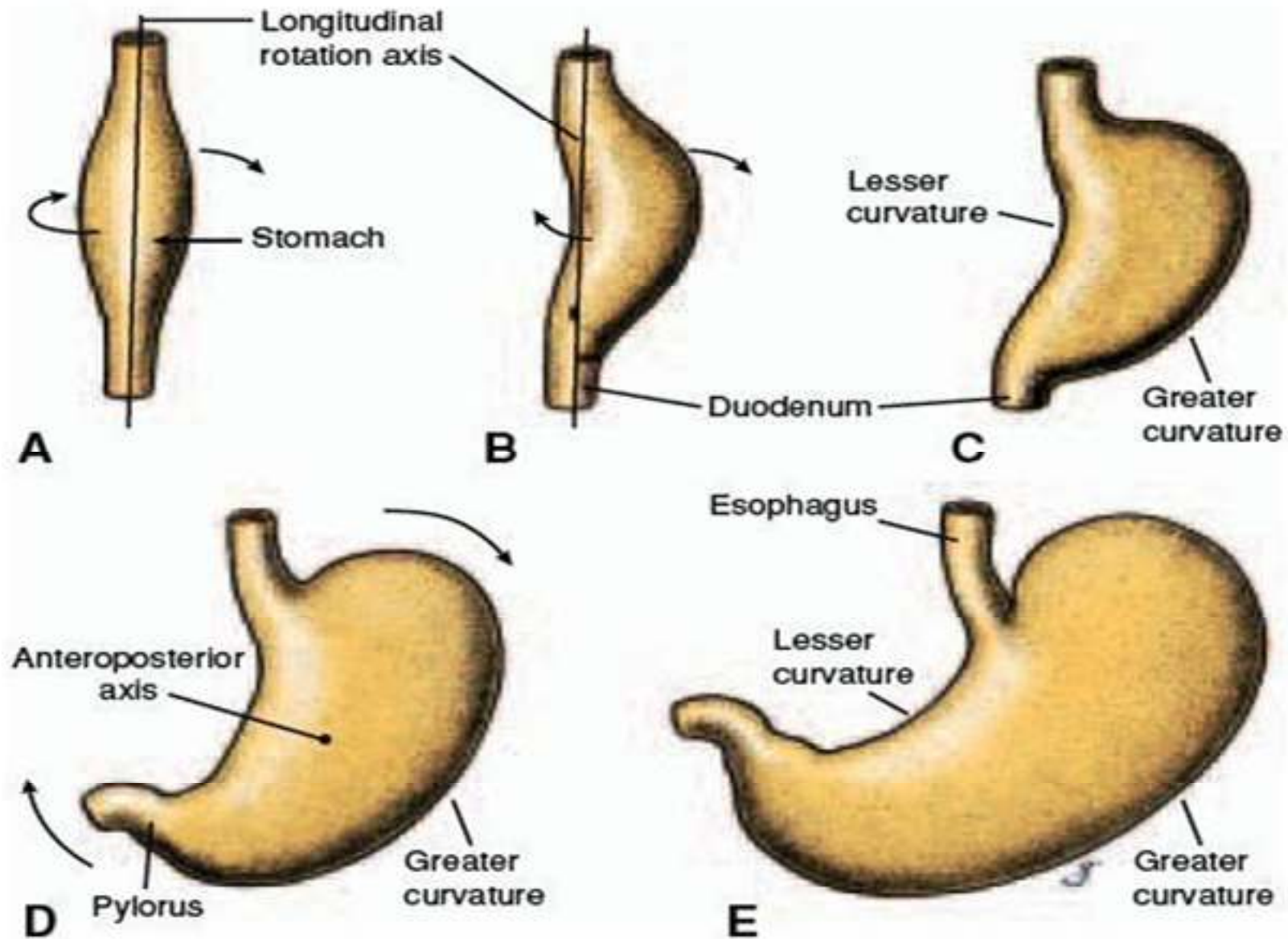


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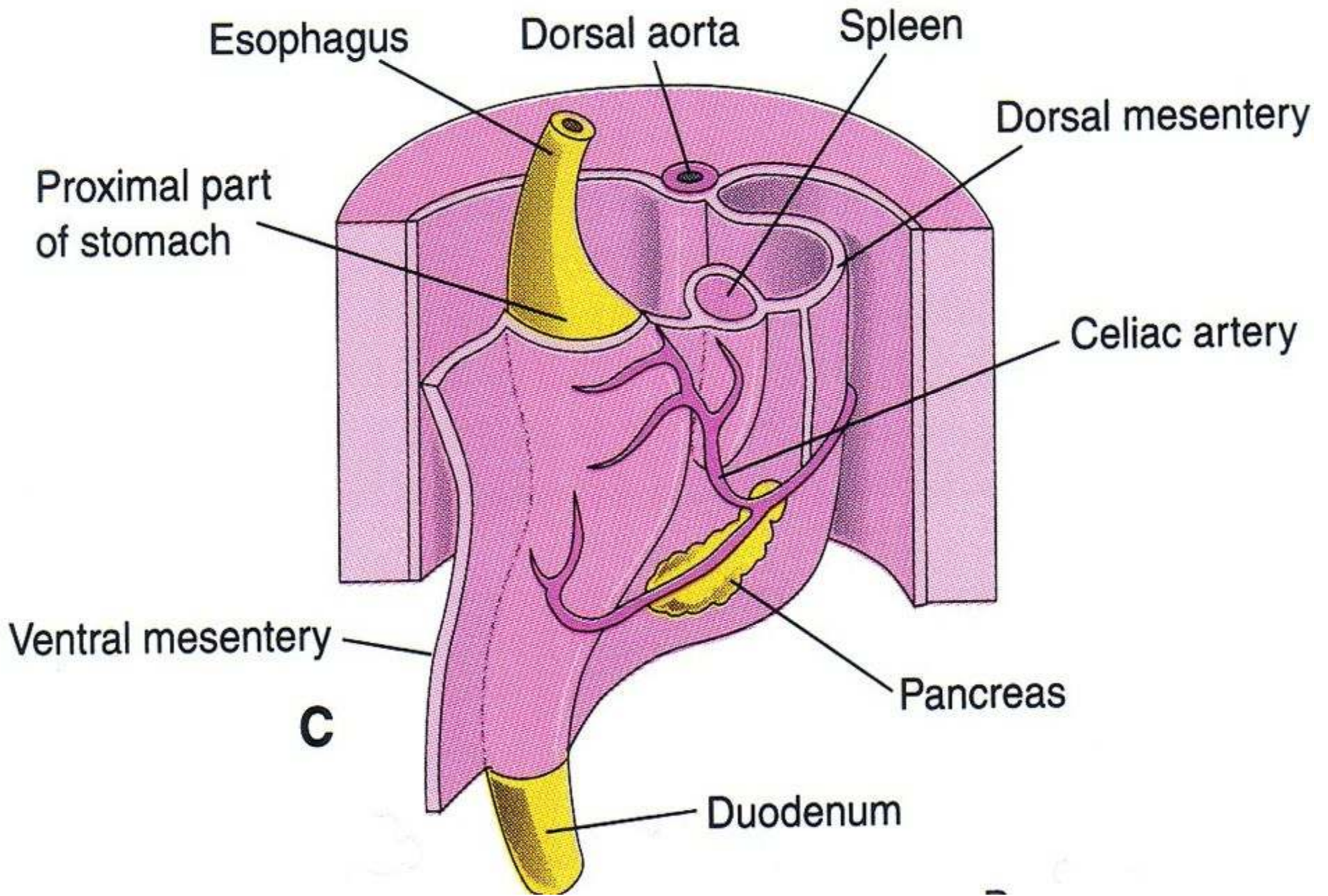
## When stomach rotates 90° around longitudinal axis :

- LT side of stomach be anteriorly ( LT vagus be anterior)
- RT side of stomach be posteriorly ( RT vagus be posterior)
- Original posterior wall grow faster than anterior so appears greater curvature & lesser curvature.
- Dorsal mesogastrium move to LT & leaving a space behind stomach called lesser sac but ventral mesogastrium move to RT .



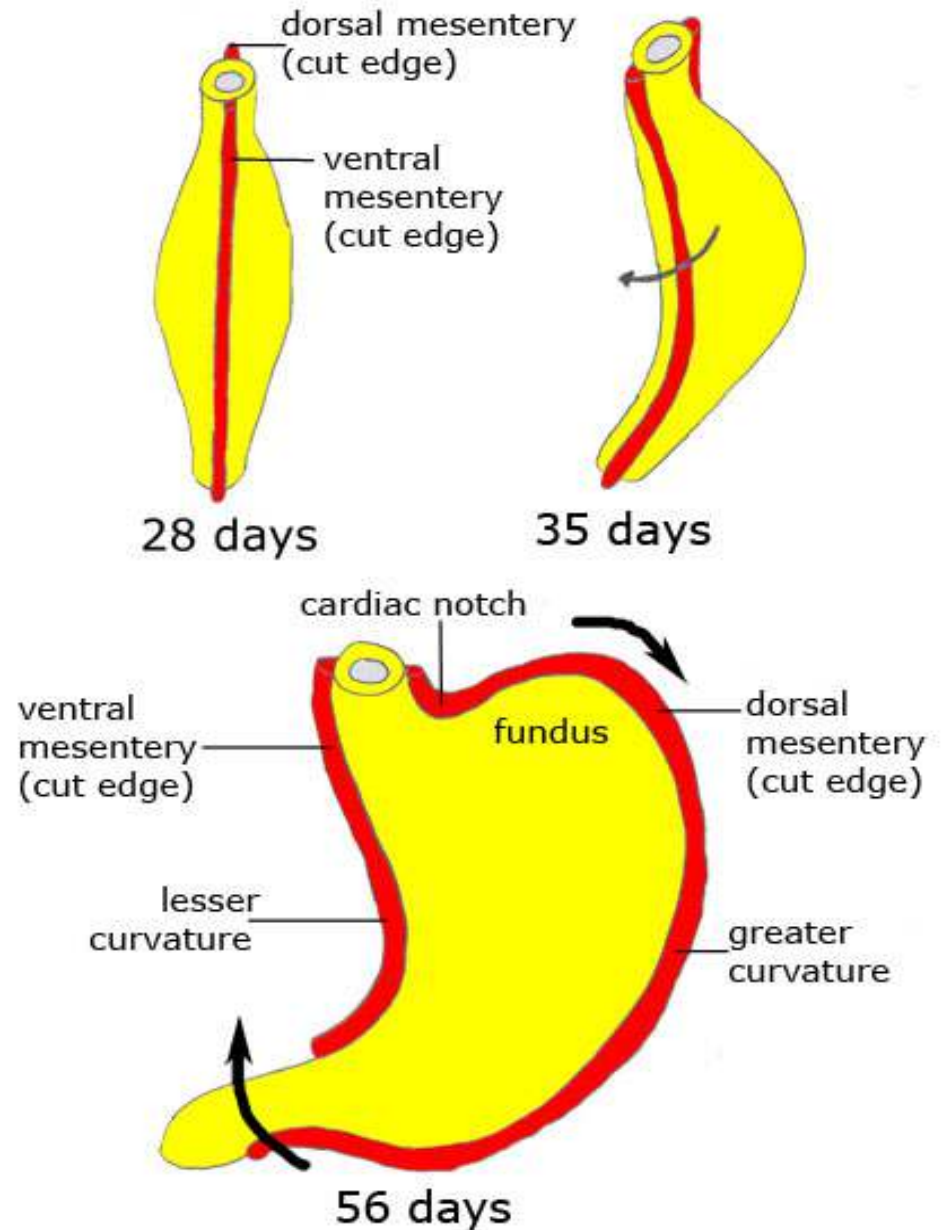


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## When stomach rotates around anteroposterior axis :

- At 1<sup>st</sup> both cardiac end & pyloric end of stomach lie in mid line but after this rotation cardiac end move down & LT but pyloric end moved up & RT.
- After this 2 rotations the stomach assumed final position.

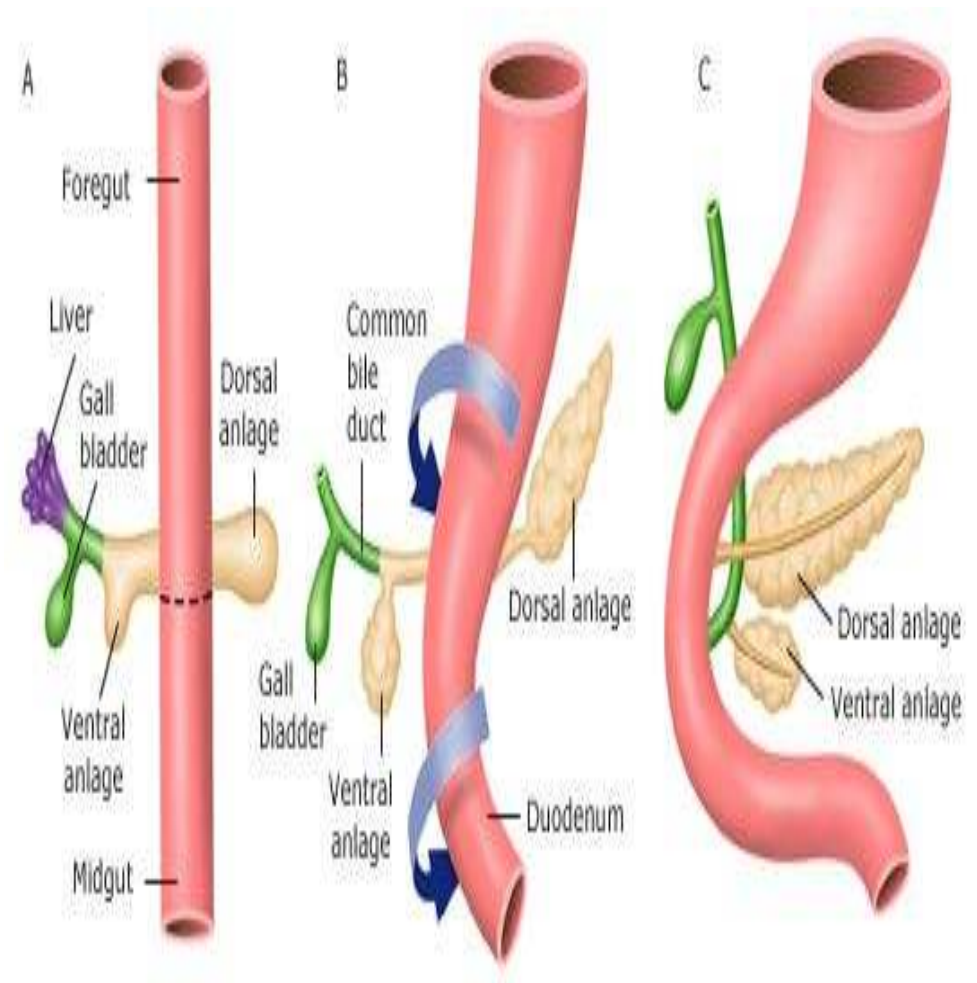


# Duodenum:

Its junction of both:

❑ **Terminal part of foregut & cephalic part of mid gut.**

❑ When stomach rotate the duodenum also rotate to RT as C shape . This rotation cause swing of duodenum from initial midline to RT side abdominal cavity .



❑ Duodenum & head of pancreas press against dorsal body wall so dorsal mesoduodenum fused & disappears except in 1<sup>st</sup> part of duodenum .

❑ At end, rest of duodenum & head, neck & body of pancreas is fixed secondary retroperitoneally.

