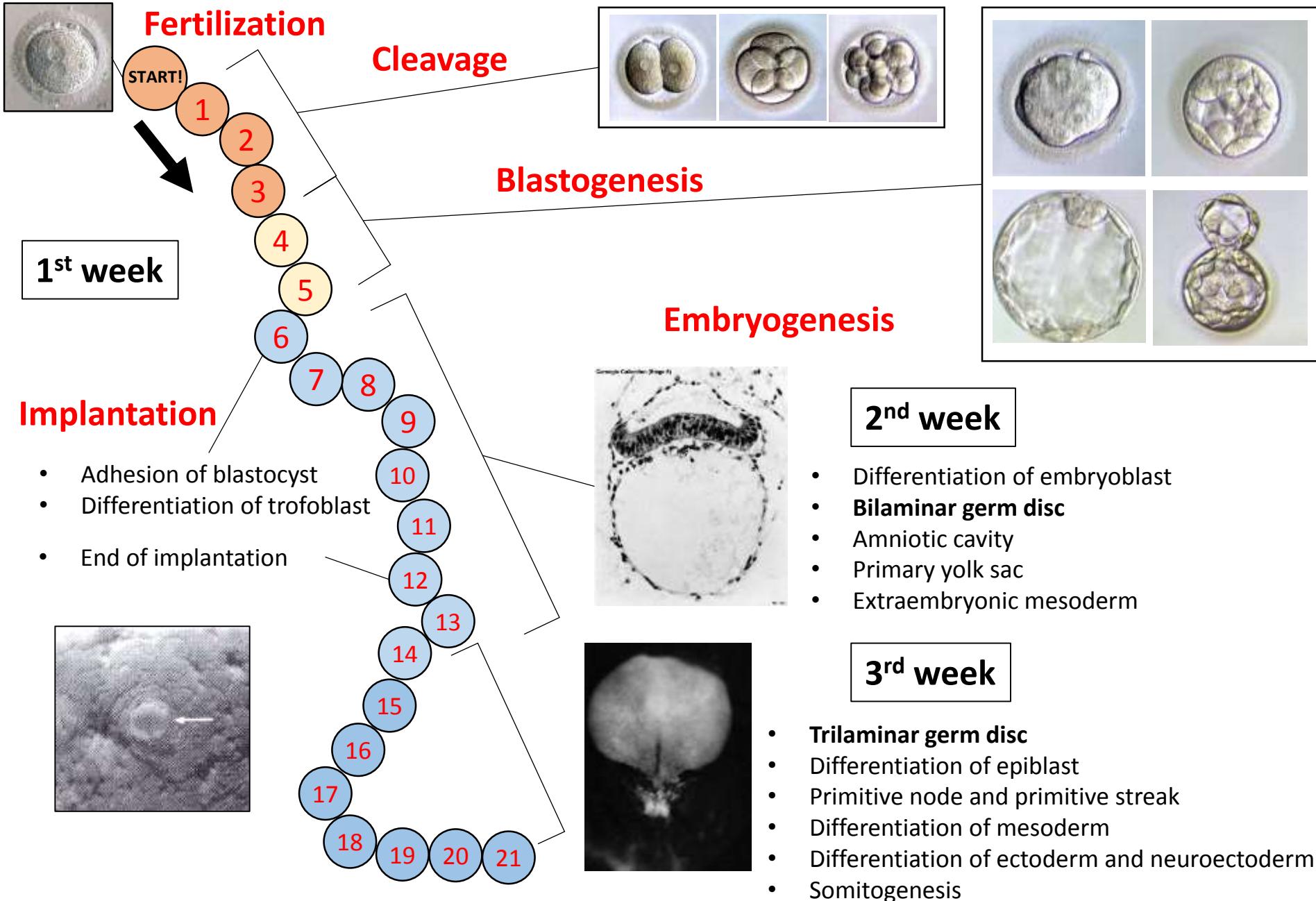


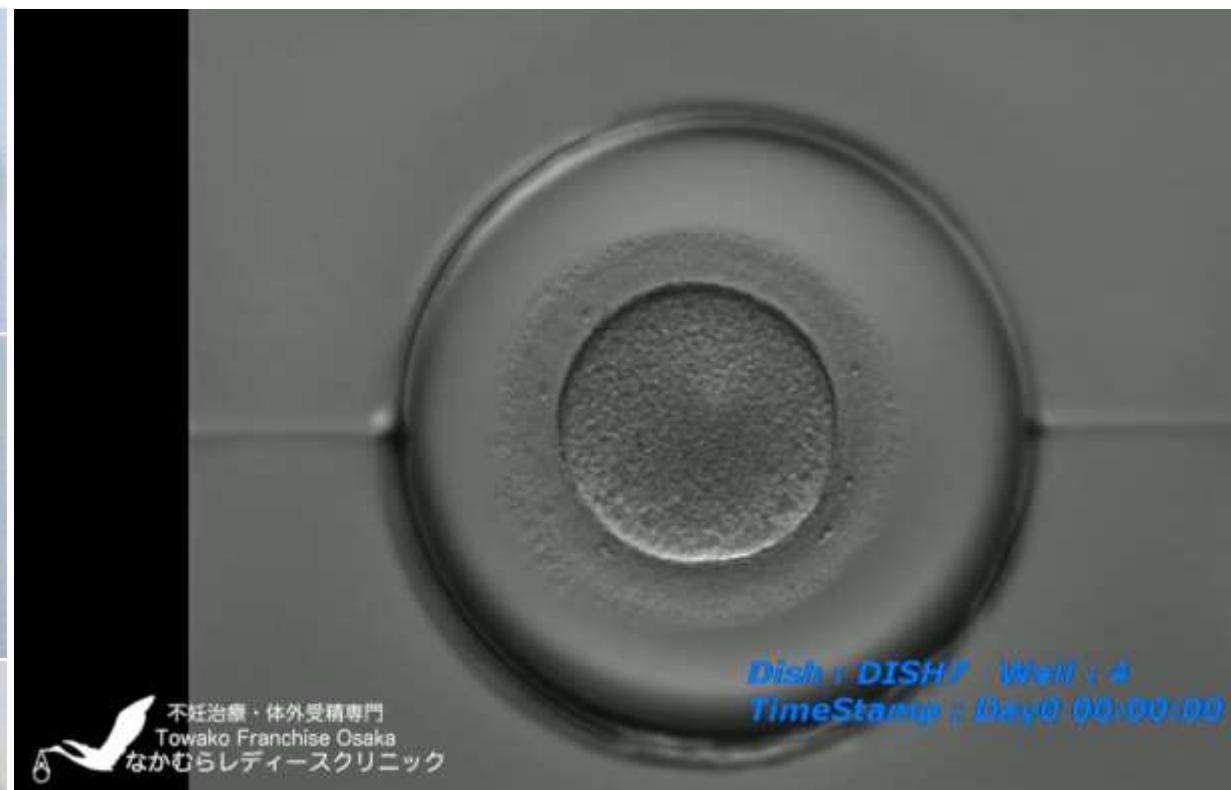
# Introduction to embryology III

# FIRST EVENTS IN HUMAN LIFE



1<sup>st</sup> week

WHAT IS DEVELOPMENTAL POTENTIAL OF BLASTOMERES?

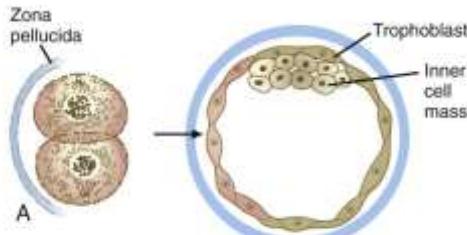


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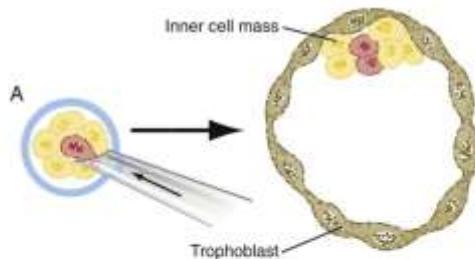
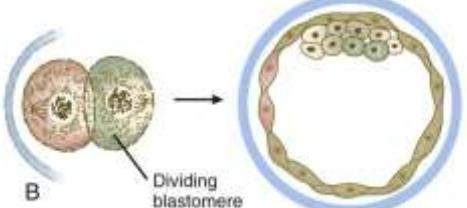
Conclusion: all blastomeres are equal.

1<sup>st</sup> week

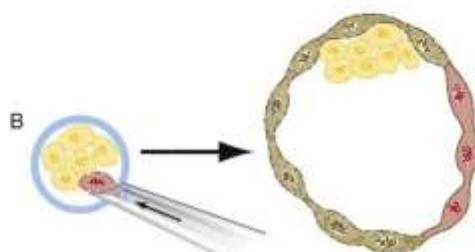
## Mechanism of differentiation



„cell polarity“



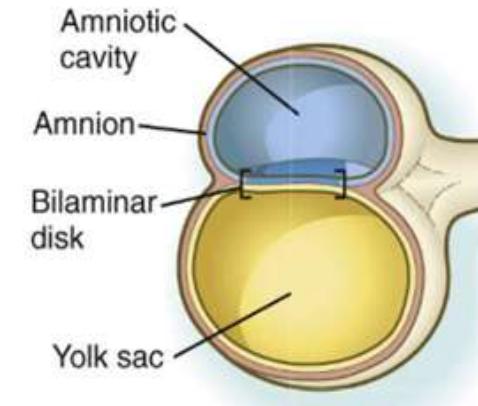
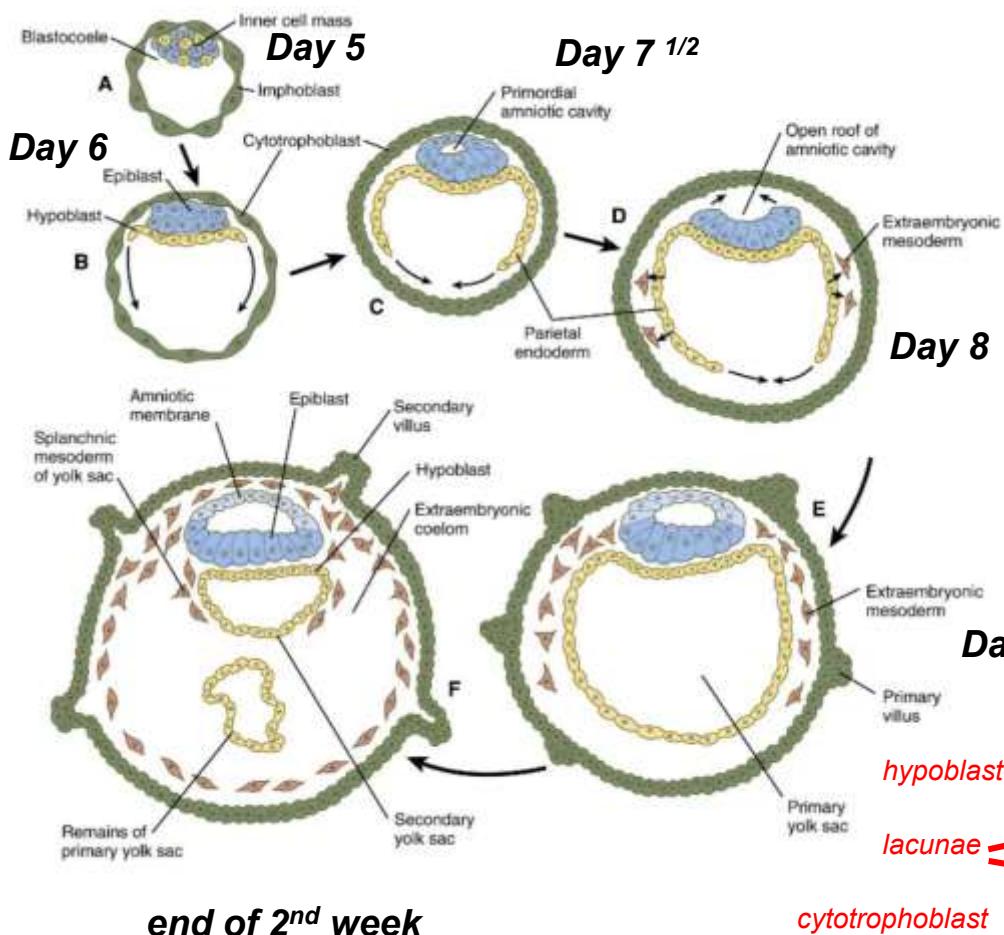
„inside-outside“



- 16-cell embryo is still totipotent – later (32-cell), it loses the full developmental potential  
→ cell are **determined**.

**1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> week**

## BILAMINAR GERM DISC



**end of 2<sup>nd</sup> week**

extraembryonic  
coelom

cytotrophoblast

hypoblast

lacunae

primary yolk sac

primary villus

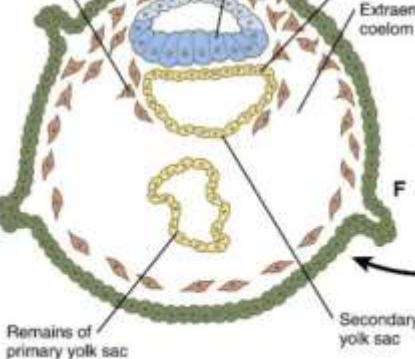
extraembryonic mesoderm

E

Day 9

F

Day 8



Open roof of  
amniotic cavity

Parietal endoderm

D

Day 7 1/2

C

B

A

Day 5

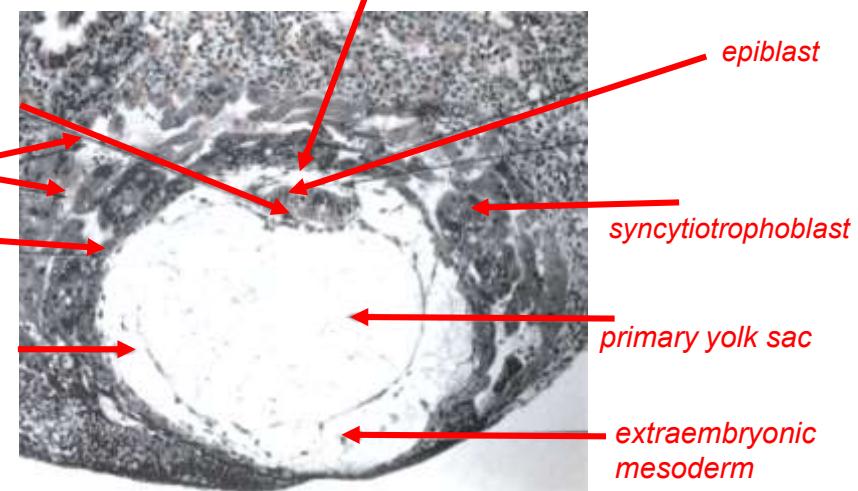
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Day 7

Day 8

Day 9

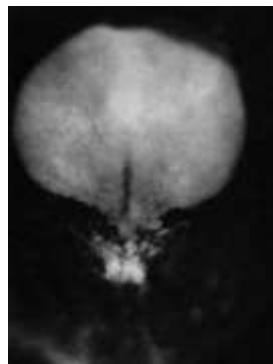
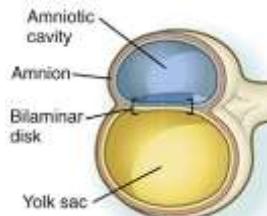
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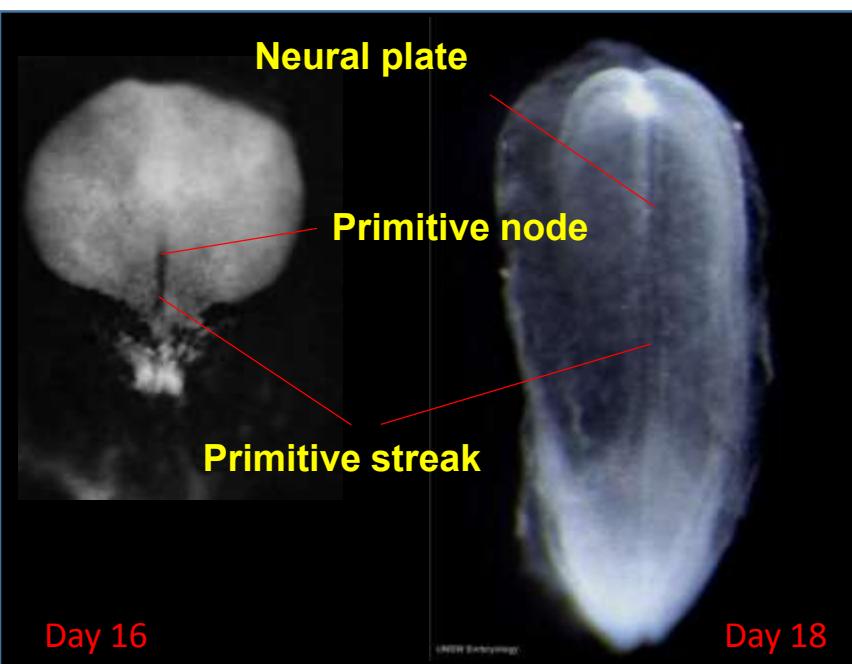
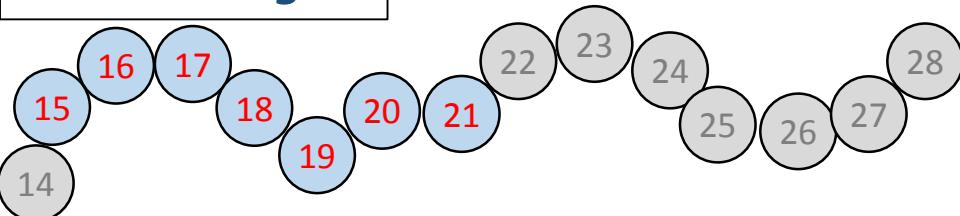
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# PRIMITIVE STREAK AND PRIMITIVE NODE

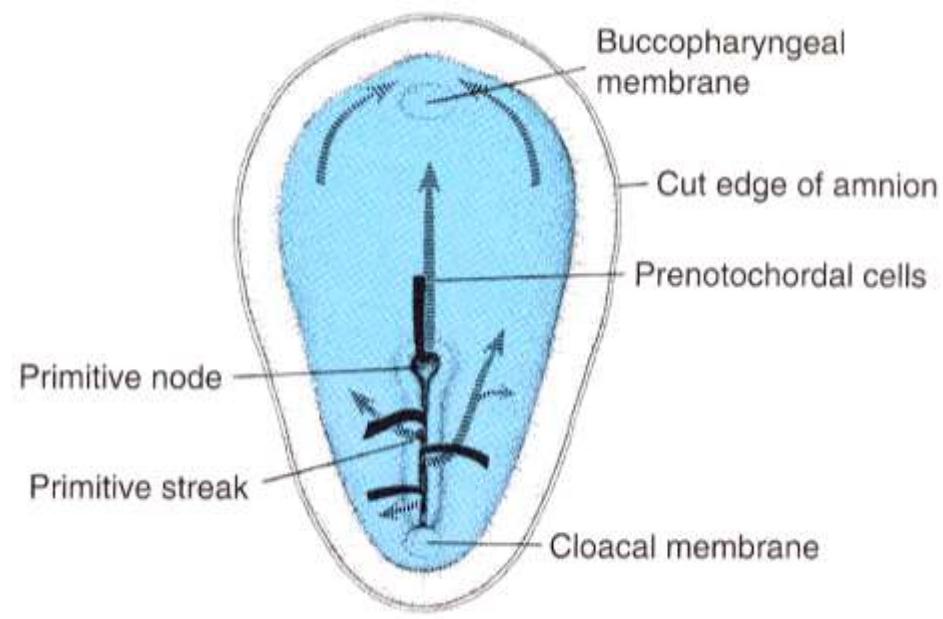
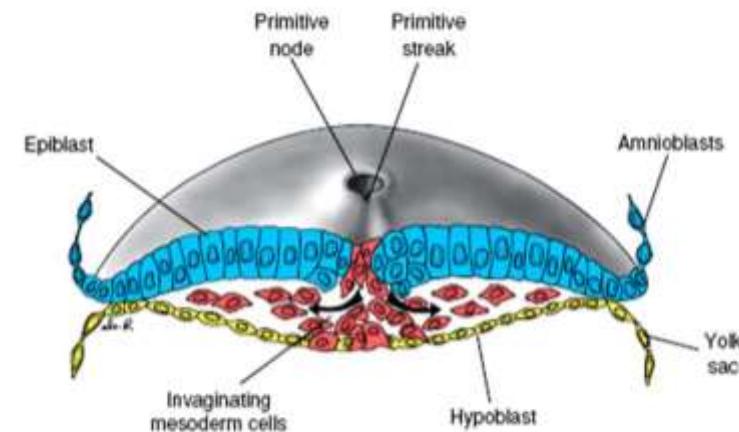
2<sup>nd</sup> week ends



3<sup>rd</sup> week begins



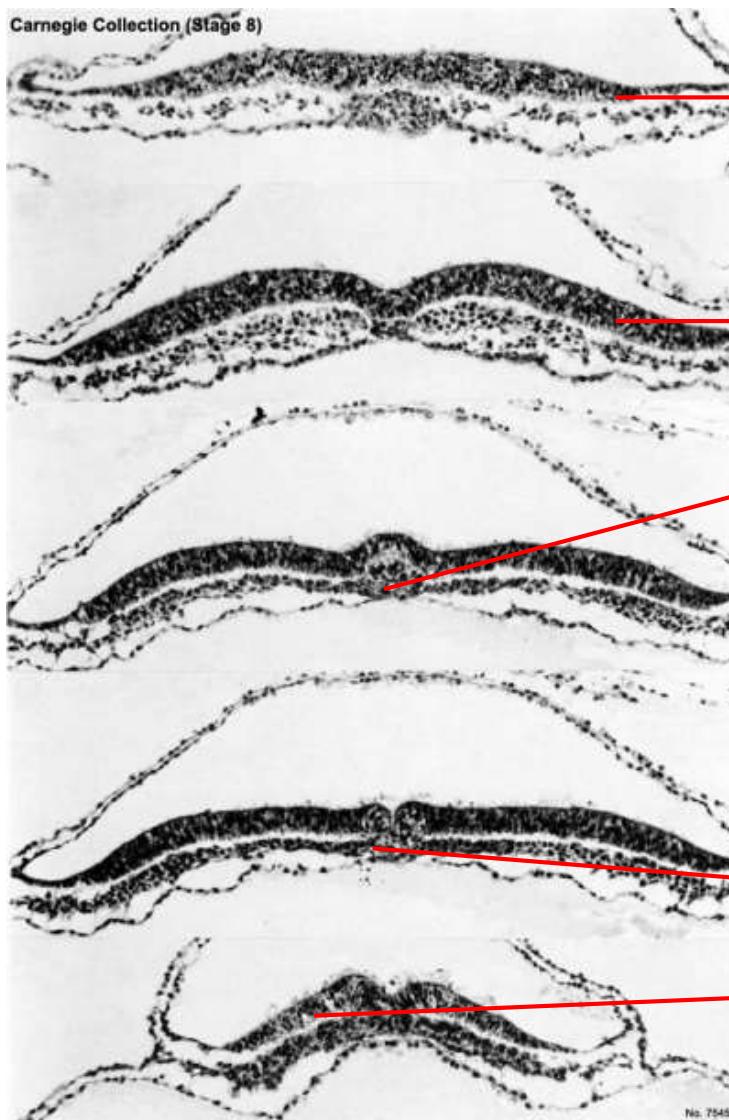
NEW STRUCTURES



# TRILAMINAR GERM DISC

# PRIMITIVE STREAK AND PRIMITIVE NODE

3<sup>rd</sup> week



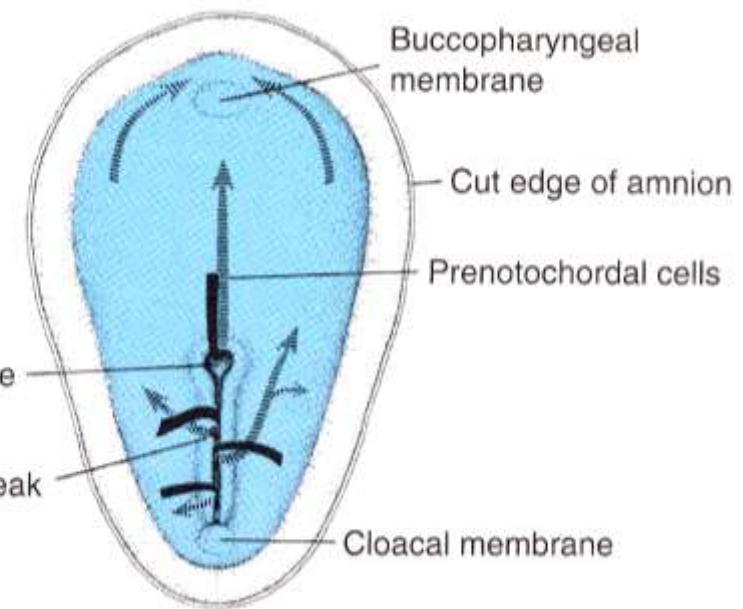
Prechordal plate

Neural plate

Notochordal process

Primitive node

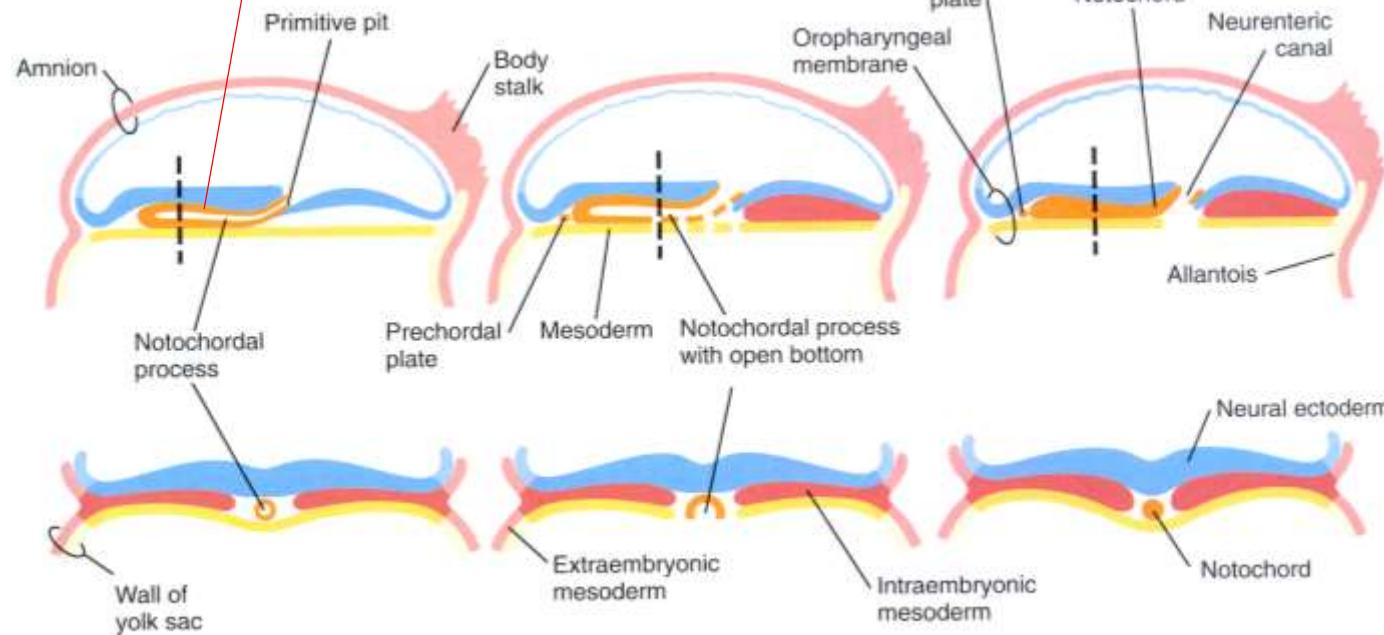
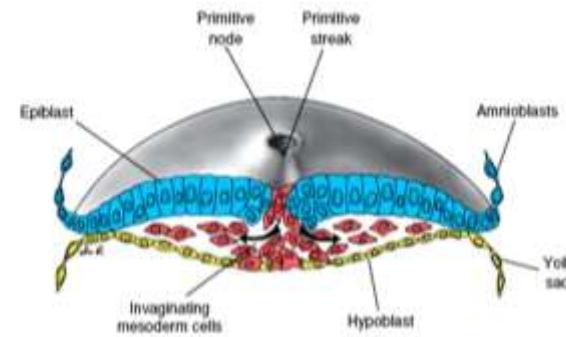
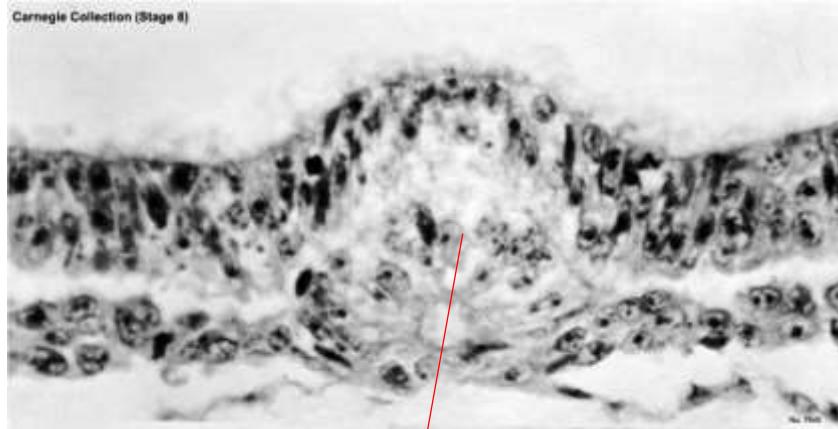
Primitive streak



# TRILAMINAR GERM DISC

# PRIMITIVE STREAK AND PRIMITIVE NODE

3<sup>rd</sup> week



Day 17

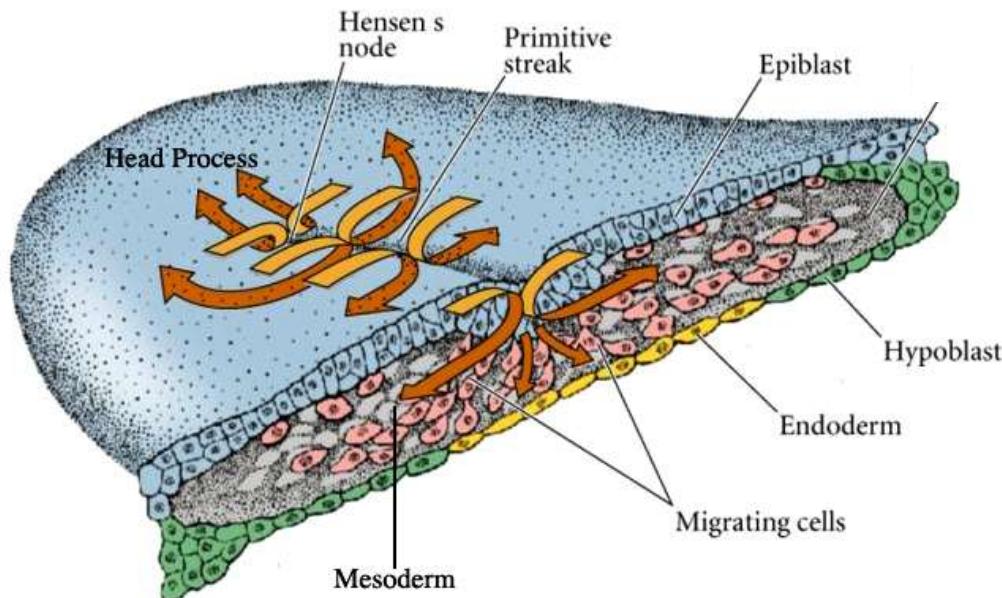
Day 18

Day 19

# TRILAMINAR GERM DISC

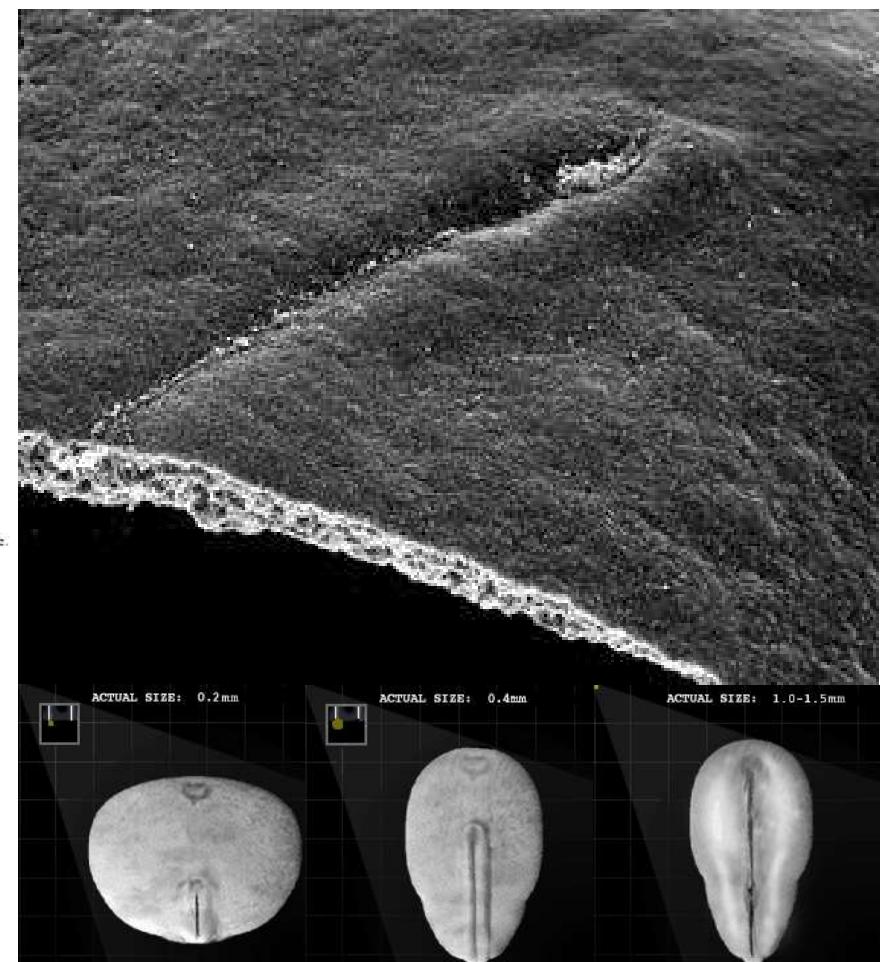
# PRIMITIVE STREAK AND PRIMITIVE NODE

3<sup>rd</sup> week



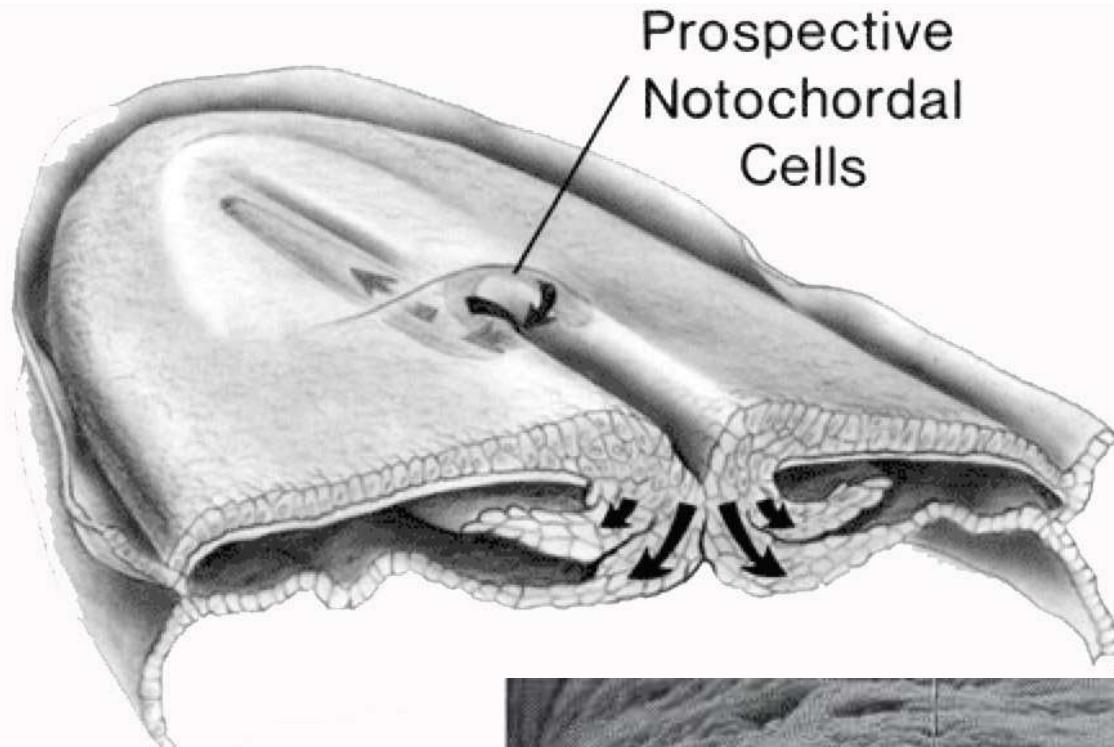
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A new cell population appears -  
MESODERM



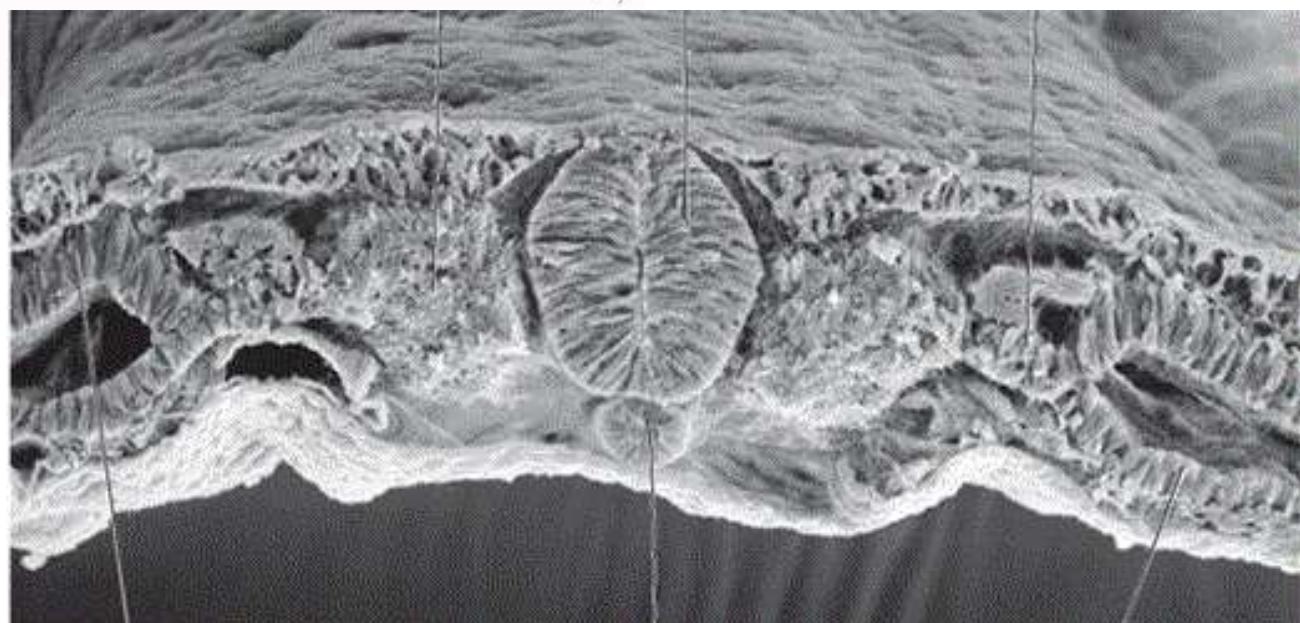
## DERIVATIVES OF MESODERM

## NOTOCHORD

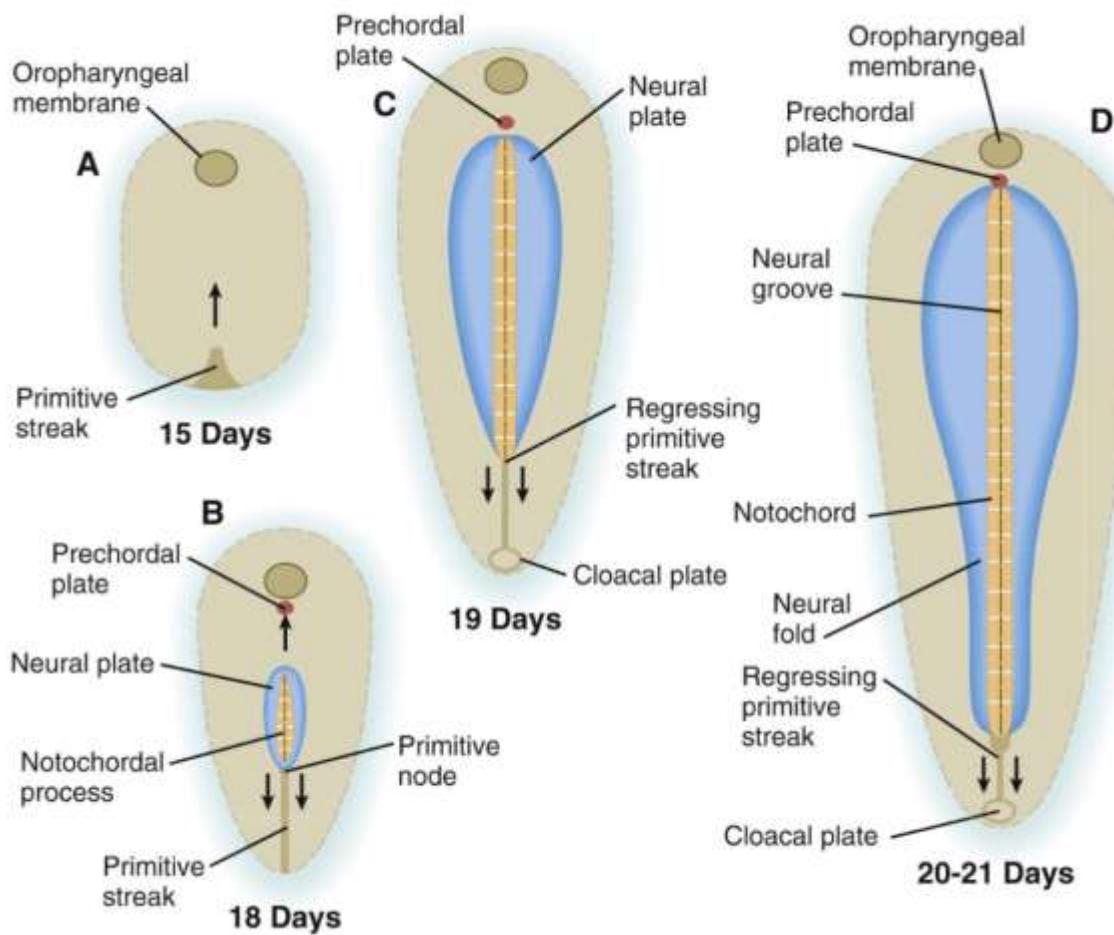


End of 2<sup>nd</sup> week

End of 3<sup>rd</sup> week



**3<sup>rd</sup> week**

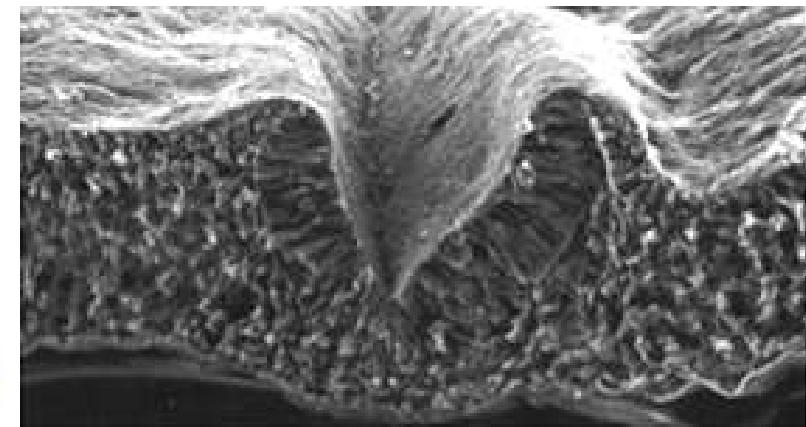
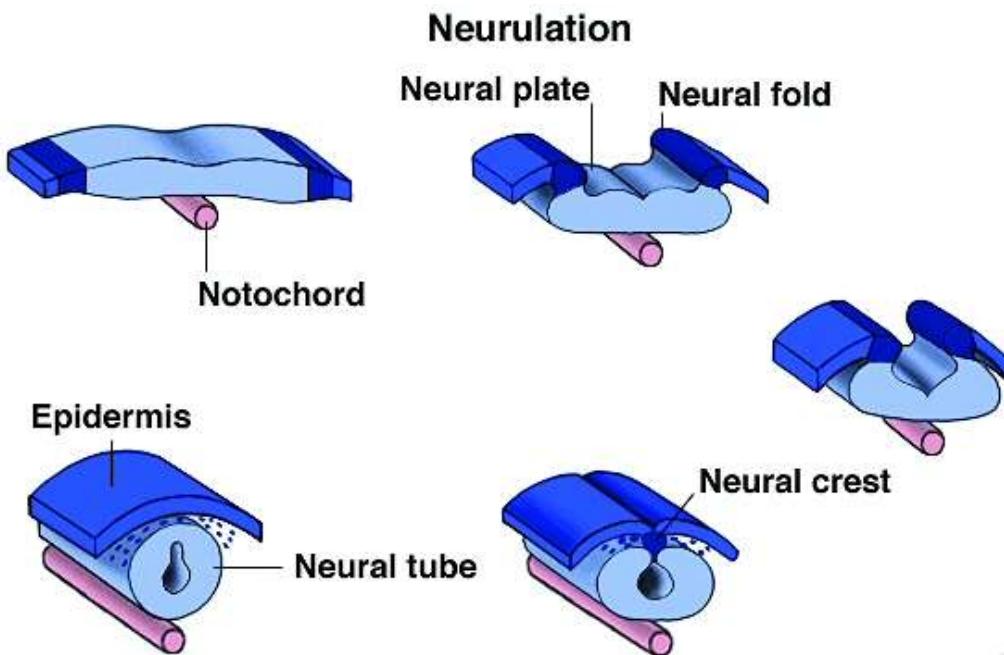


**Notochord induces differentiation of ectoderm**  
 – cellular basis of nerve system is established –  
**NEUROECTODERM**

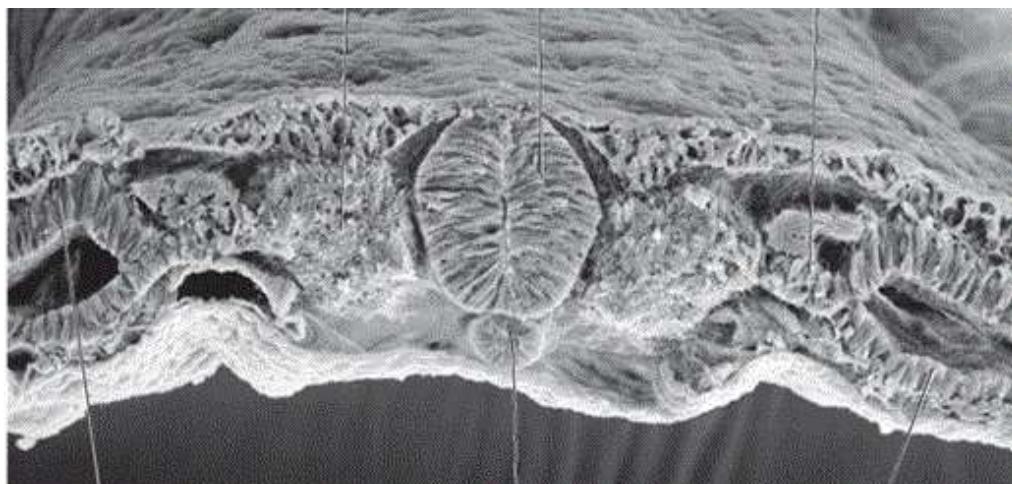
# NEURULATION

# NEURAL TUBE

3<sup>rd</sup> week



- **Neural plate**
- **Neural folds**
- **Neural tube**
- **Neural crest**

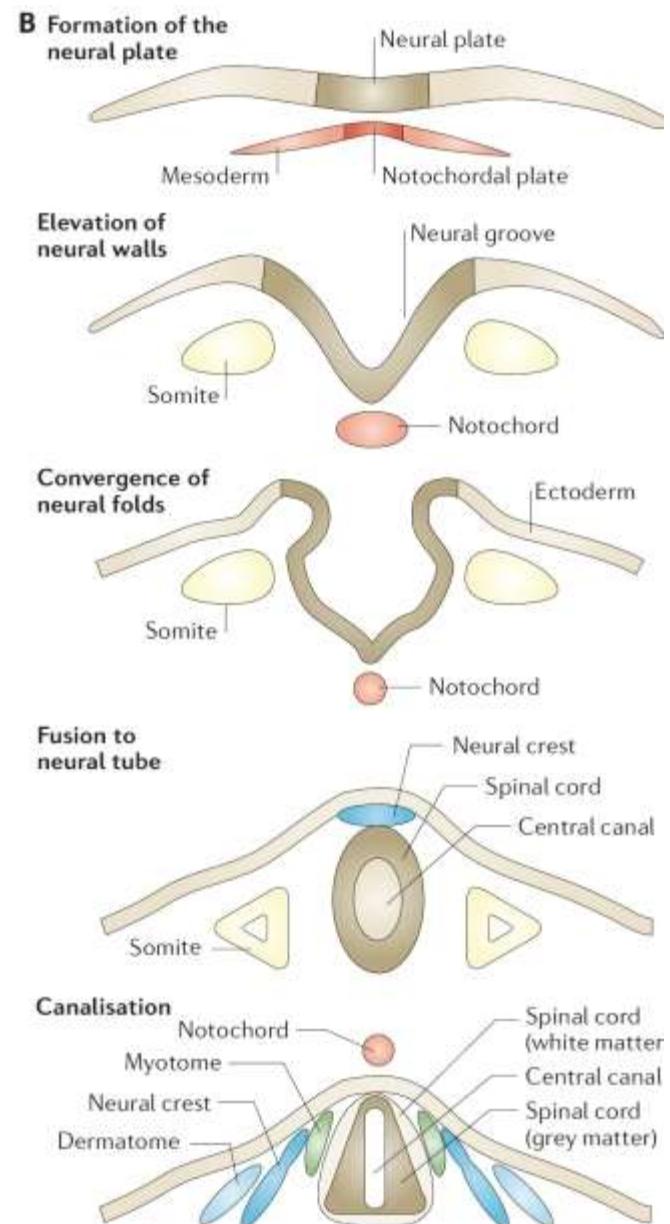
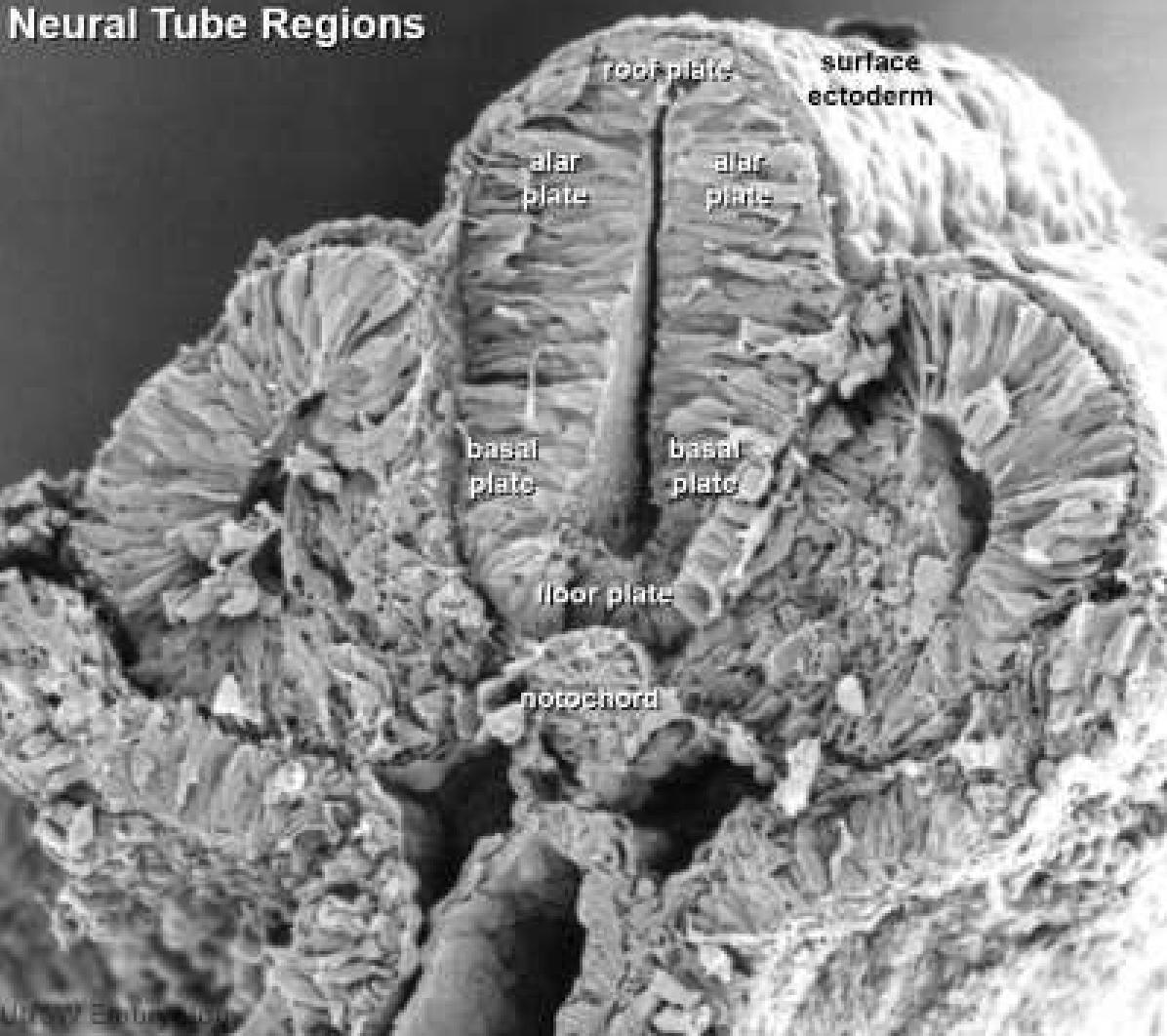


# NEURULATION

# NEURAL TUBE AND NEURAL CREST

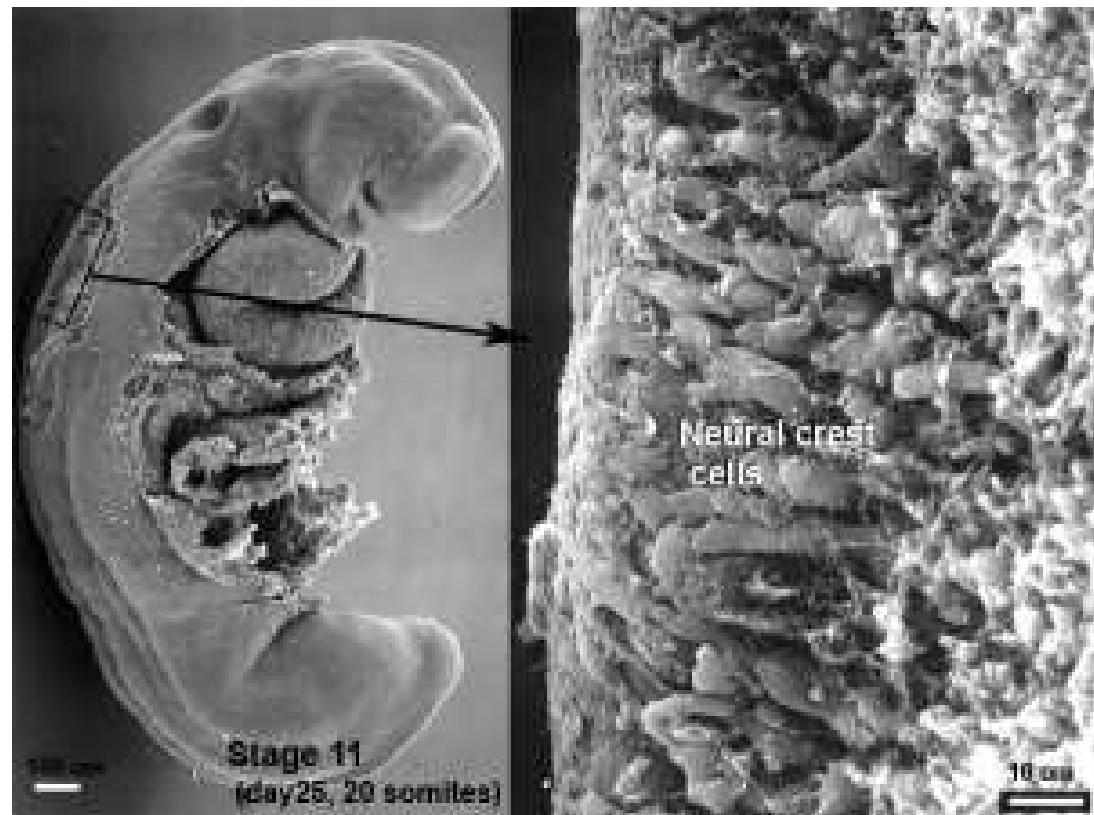
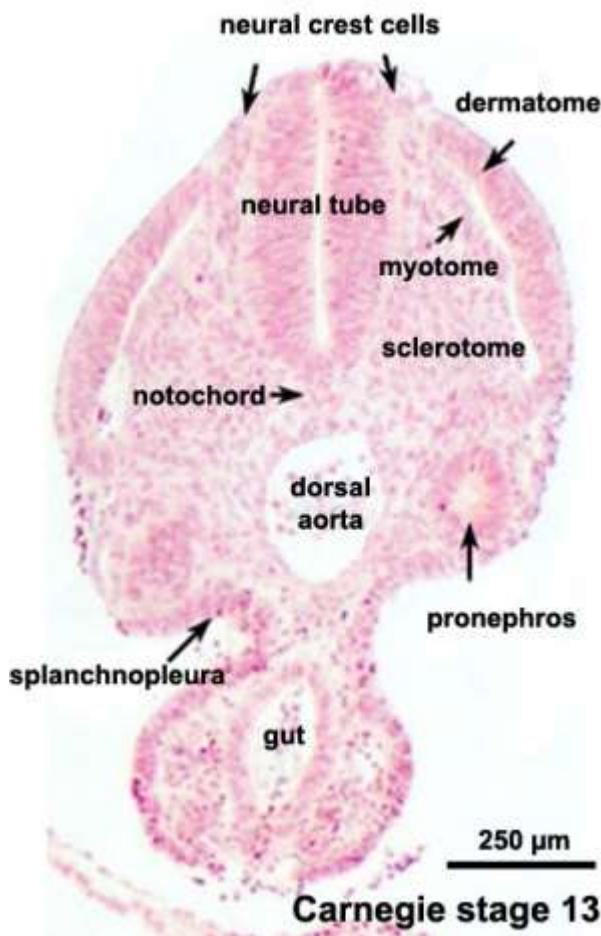
3rd – 4<sup>th</sup> week

## Neural Tube Regions

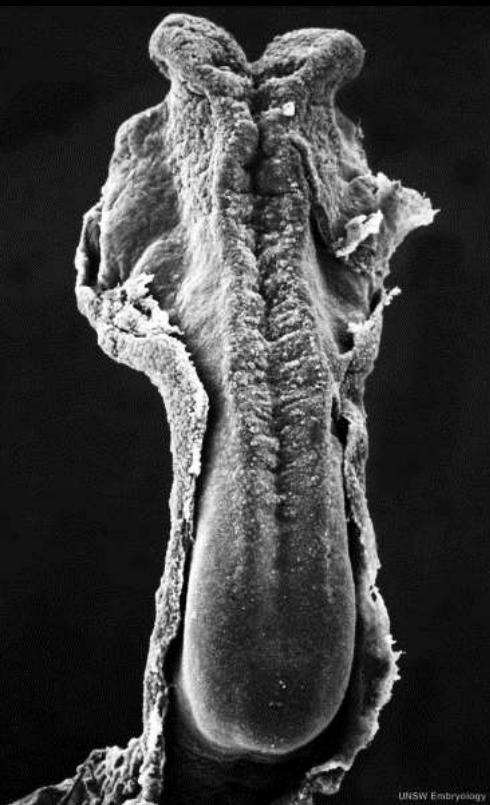


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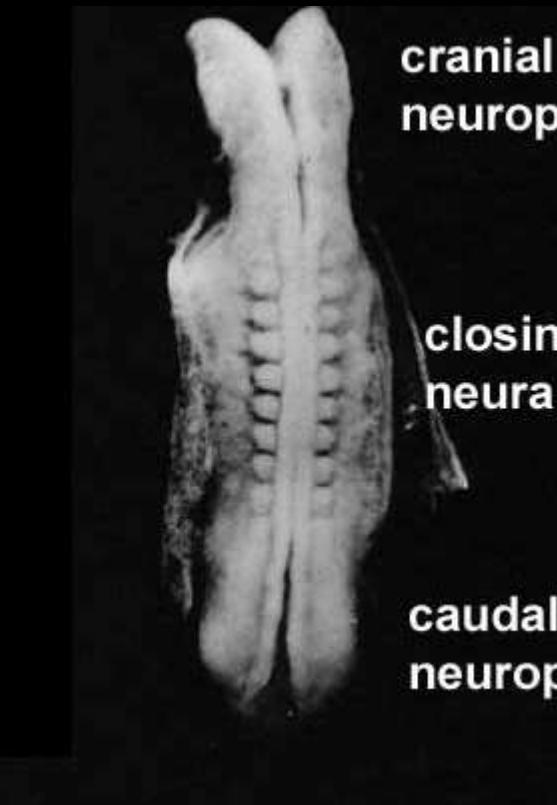
# NEURAL TUBE AND NEURAL CREST



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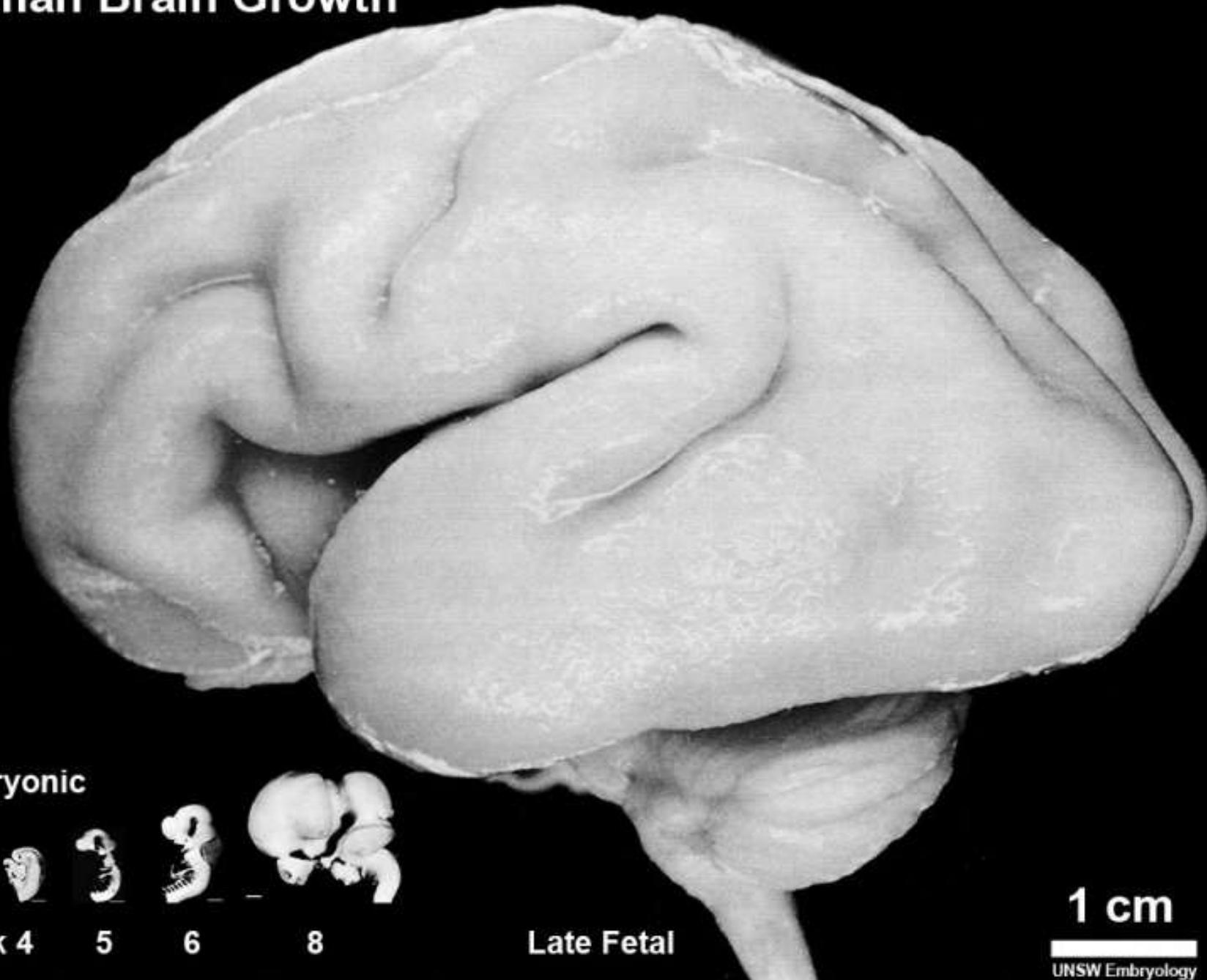


brain  
fold  
  
neural  
groove



cranial  
neuropore  
  
closing  
neural tube  
  
caudal  
neuropore

# Human Brain Growth



Embryonic



Week 4

5

6

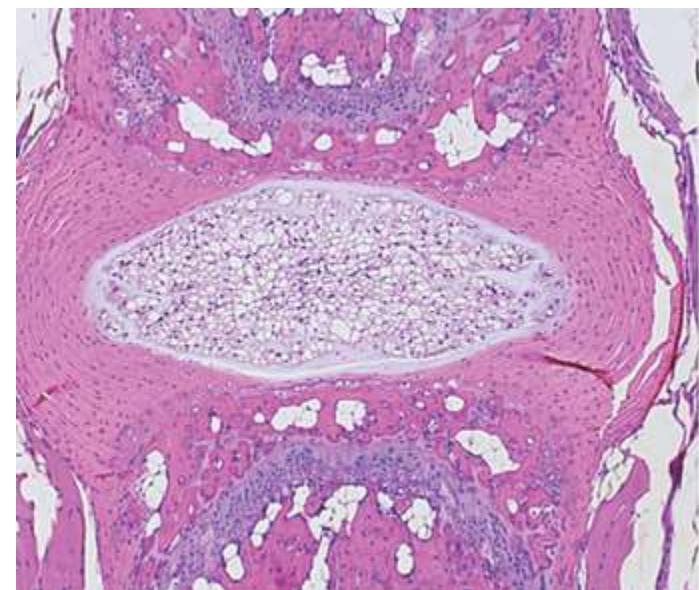
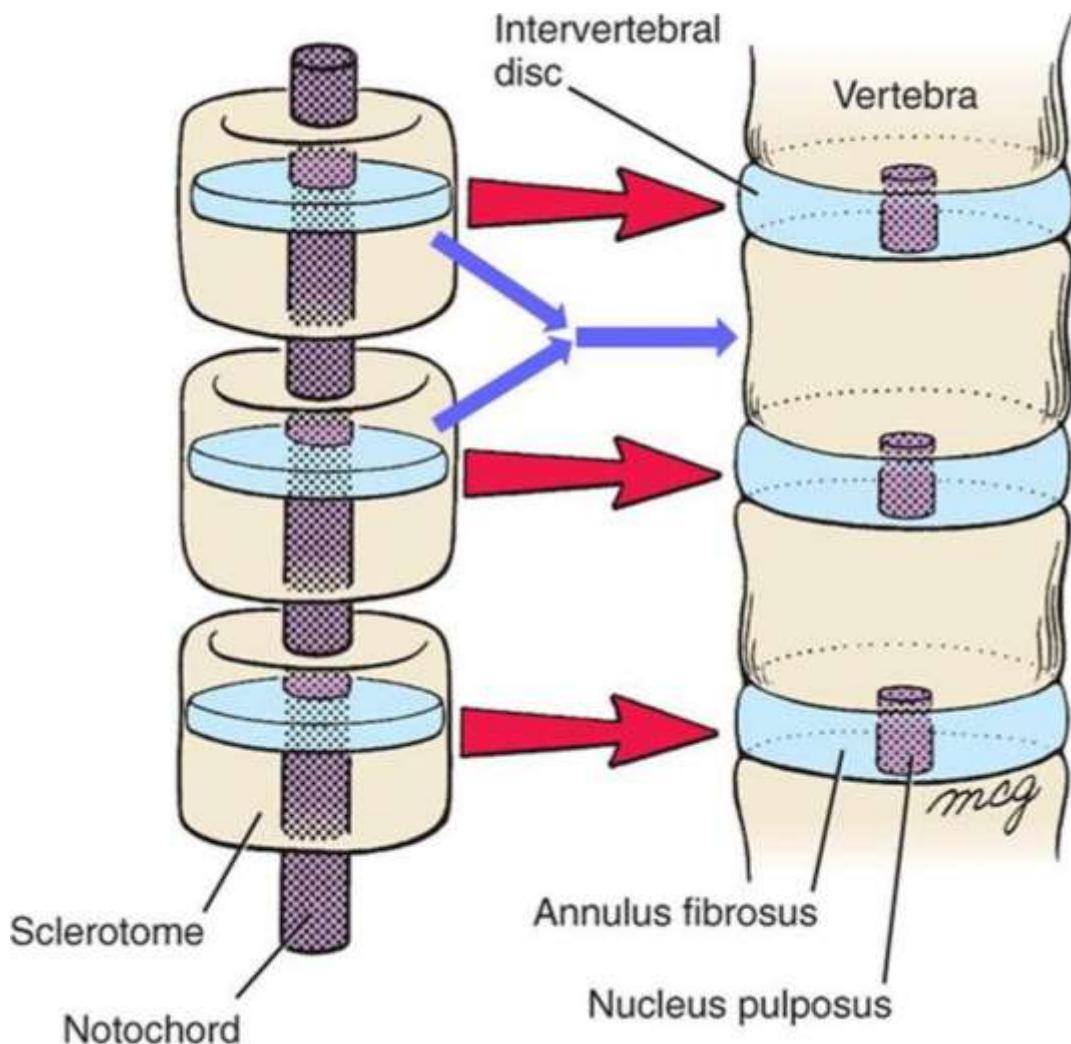
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Late Fetal

1 cm

## NOTOCHORD IN ADULT BODY

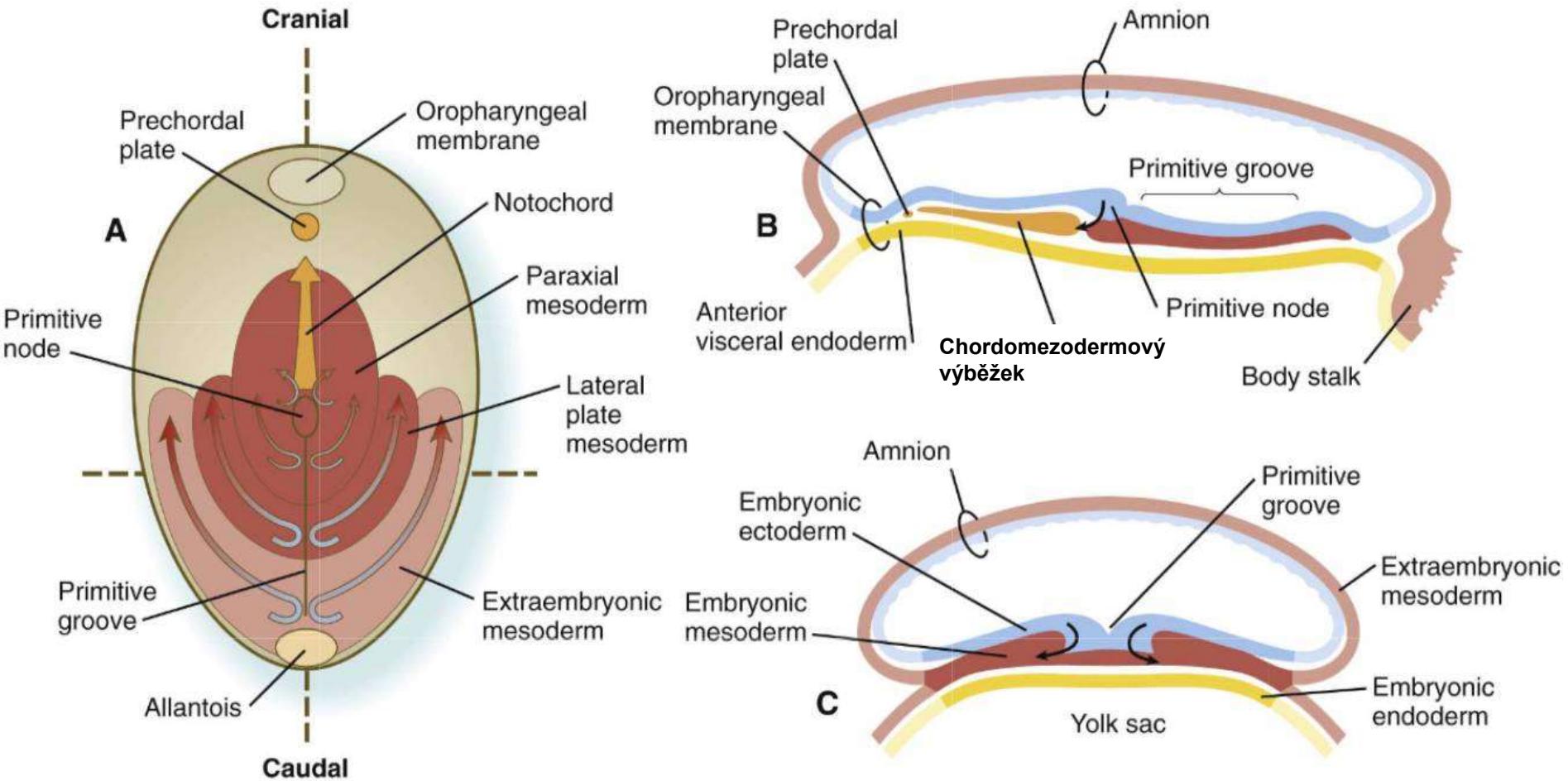
## INTERVERTEBRAL DISC



# GASTRULATION

# MESODERM

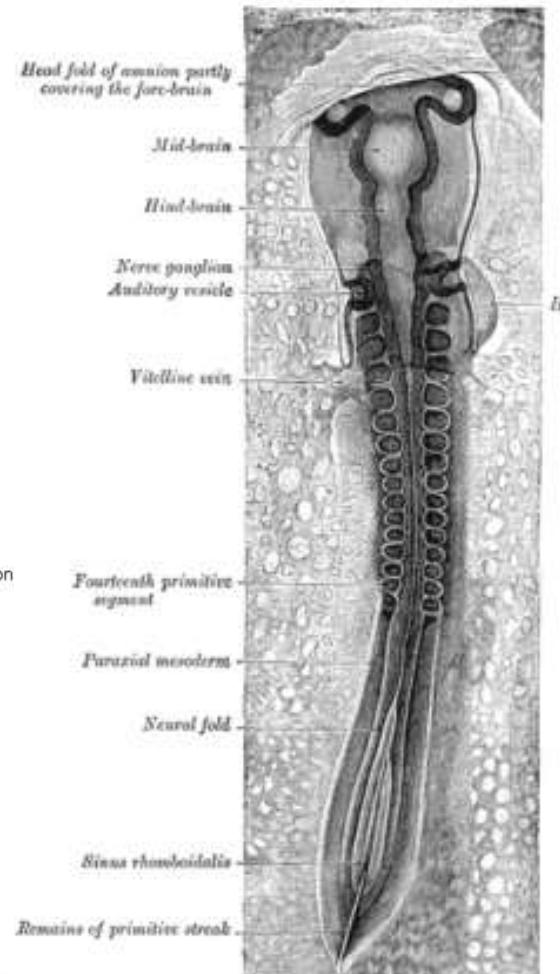
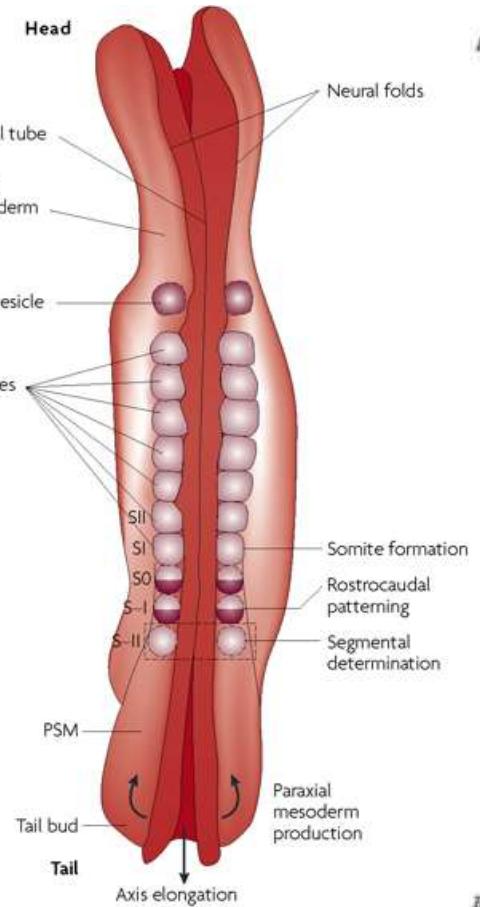
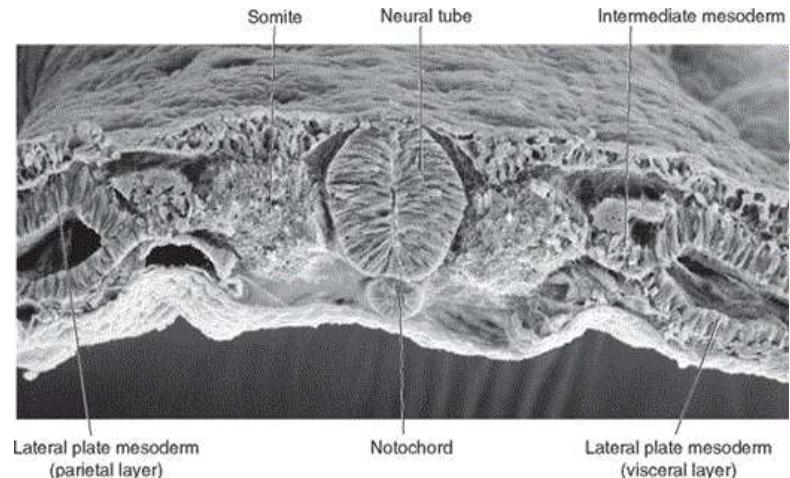
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# DERIVATIVES OF MESODERM

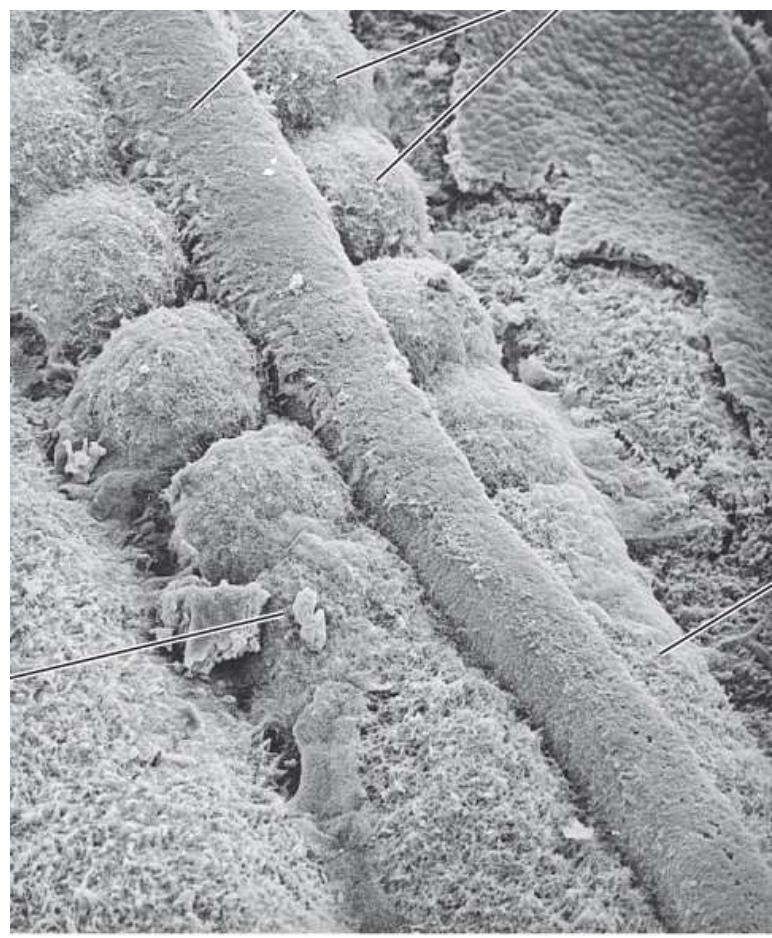
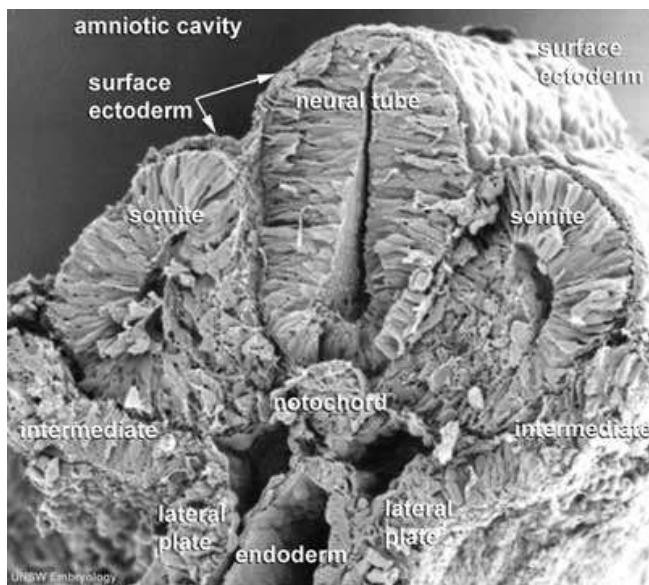
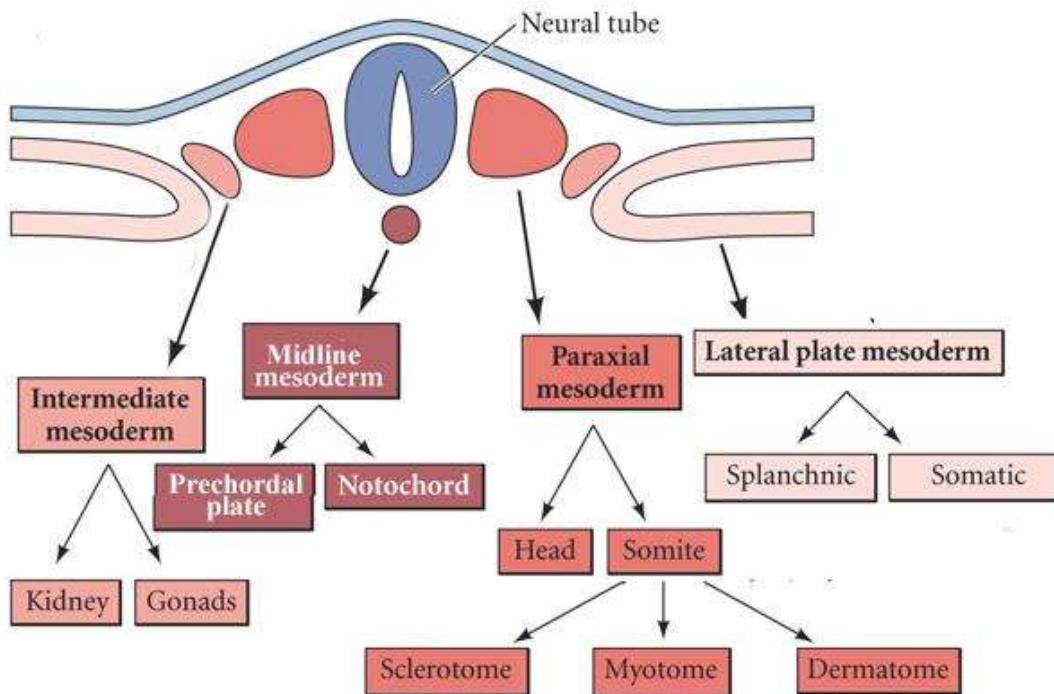
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3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> week



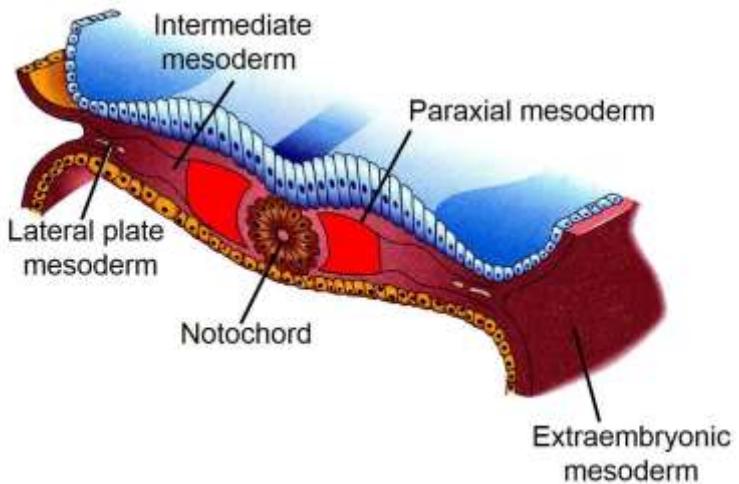
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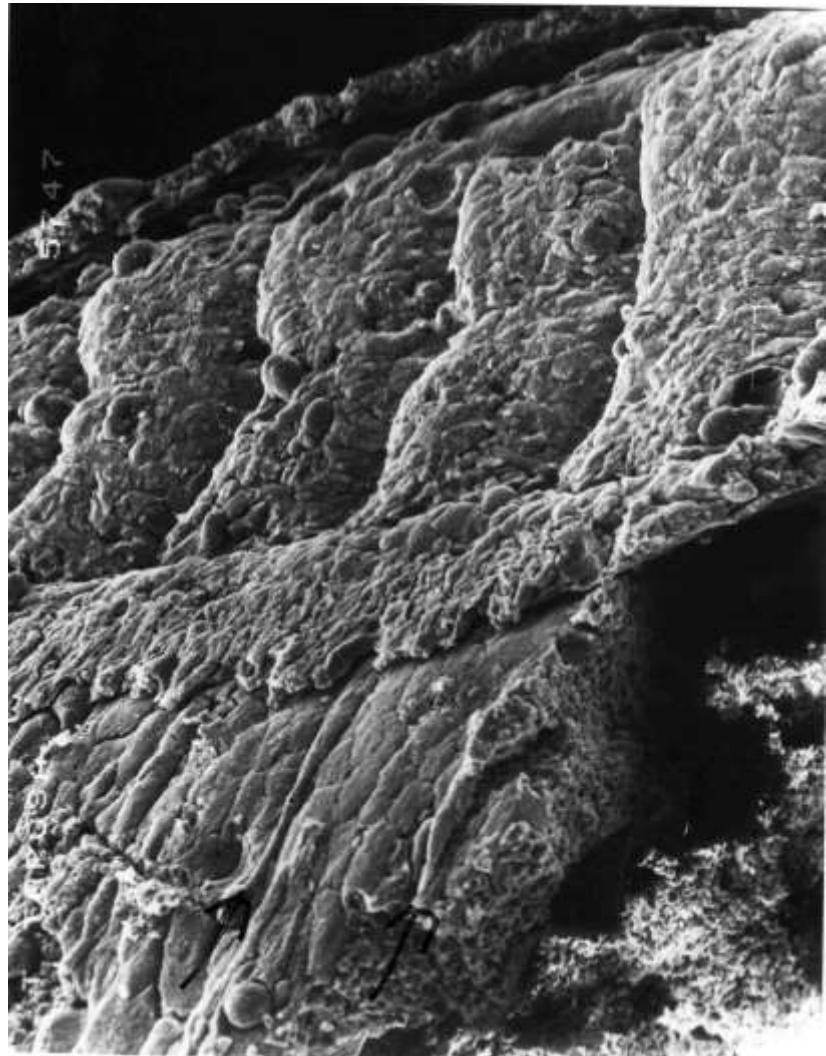


# OTHER DERIVATIVES OF MESODERM

3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> week



- heart, cardiovascular system
- urogenital system
- muscle and skeletal system
- hematopoietic and lymphatic systems
- connective tissue, dermis
- mesothelium



## DEVELOPMENTAL DISORDERS DURING GASTRULATION

- Primitive streak is a temporary embryonic structure. Persistent primitive streak causes **sacrococcygeal teratoma**.

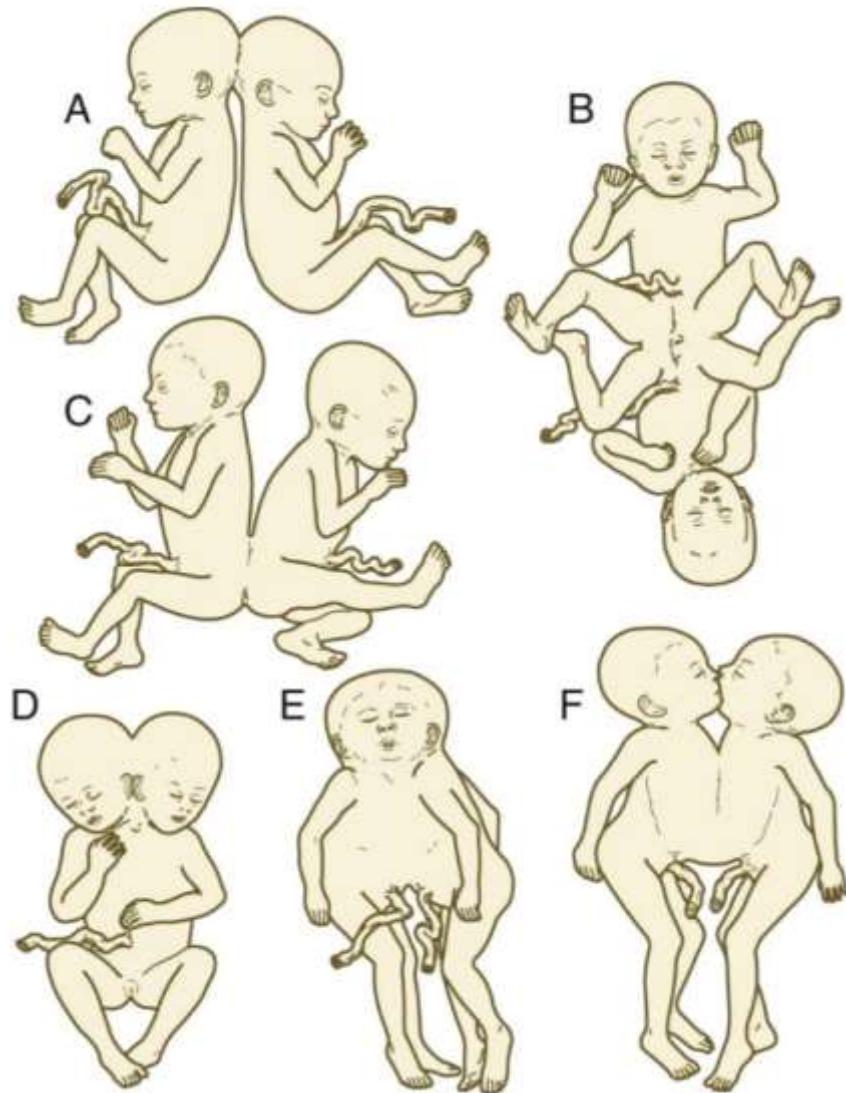


- Failure of primitive streak leads to absence of mesoderm in affected region - **sirenomelia**
  - limbs
  - urogenital system
  - GIT



## DEVELOPMENTAL DISORDERS DURING GASTRULATION

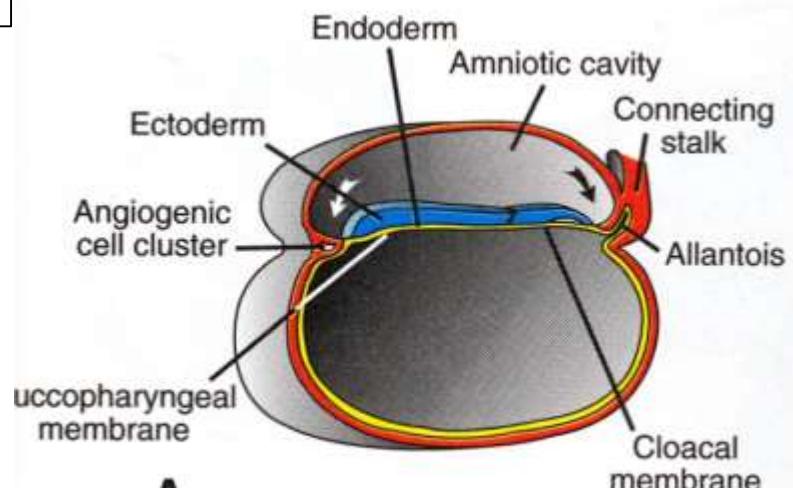
- If two primitive streaks form, conjoined twins may develop



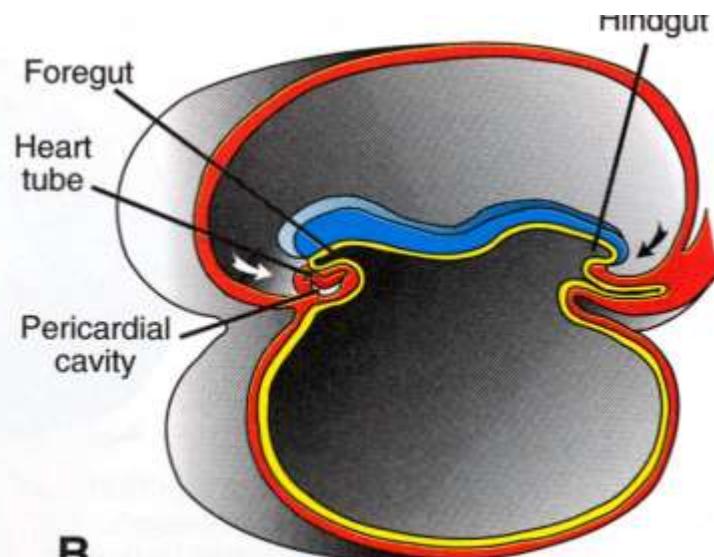
# NEW BODY PLAN

# FOLDING OF EMBRYO

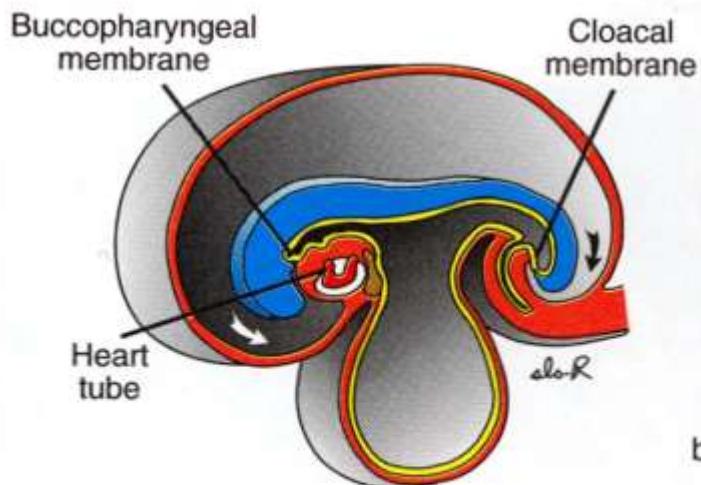
4<sup>th</sup> week



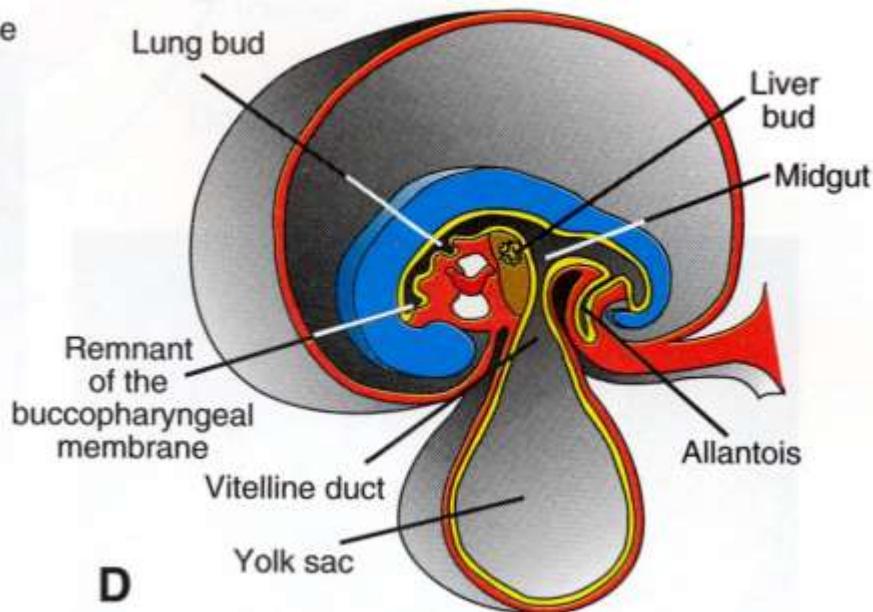
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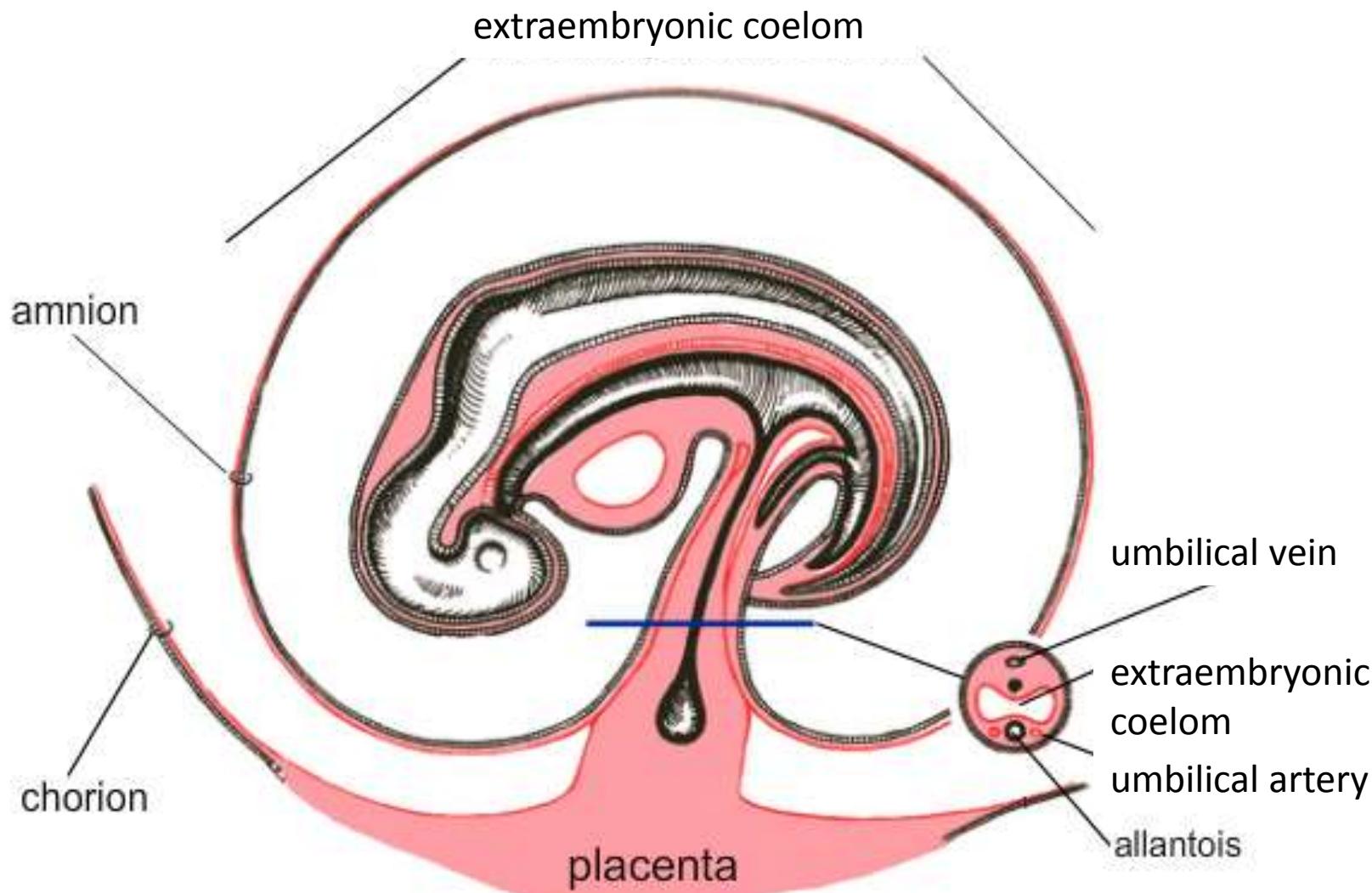
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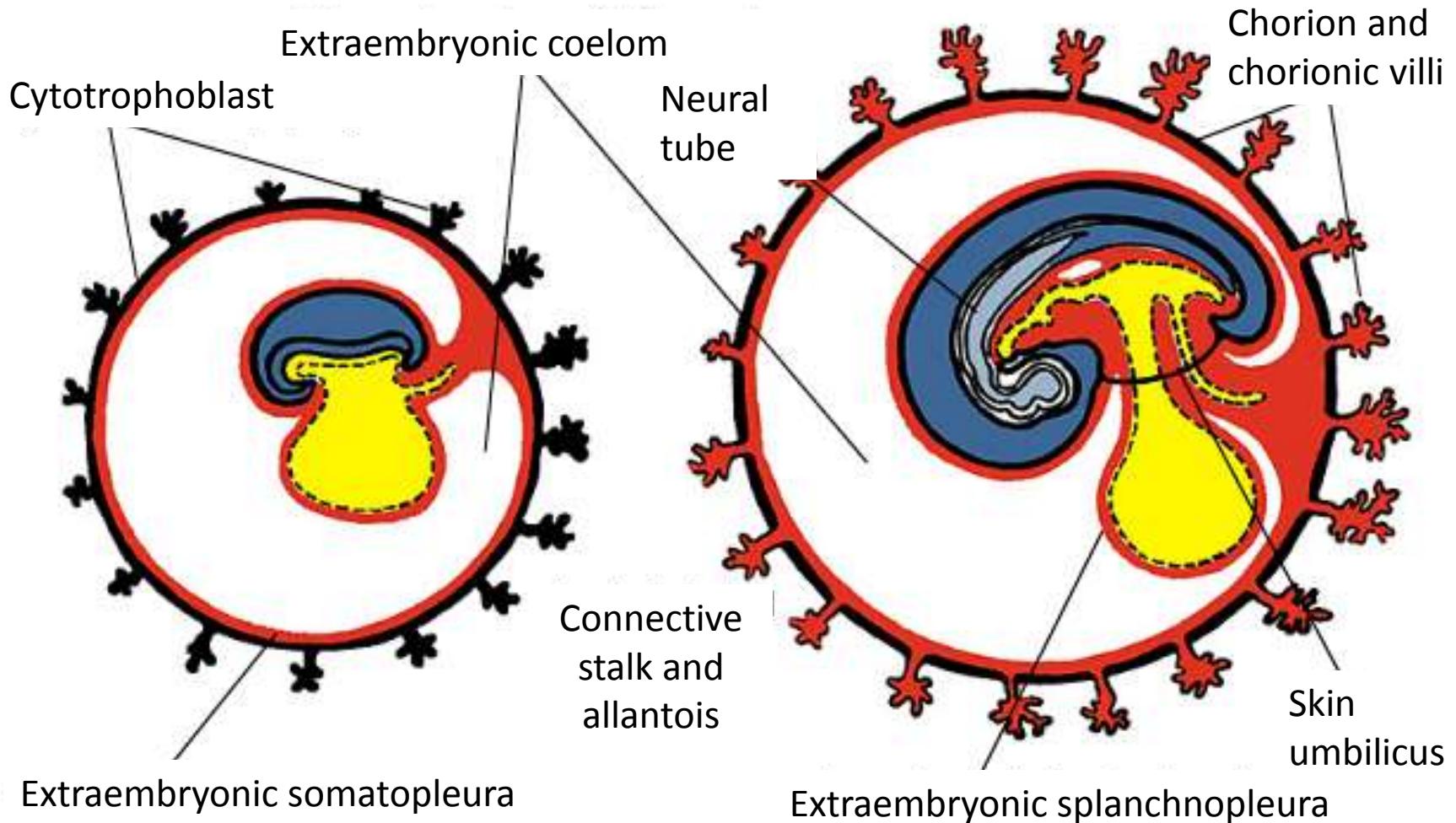


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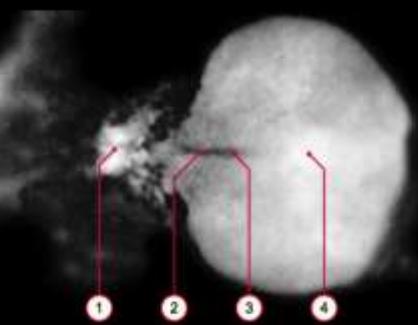




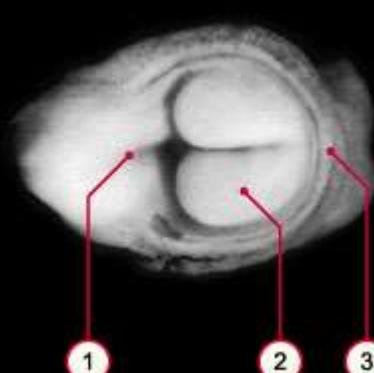
- bilaminar → trilaminar germ disc
- cephalocaudal and lateral flexion of embryo

<http://www.embryology.ch/anglais/iperiodembry/carnegie03.html#st710>

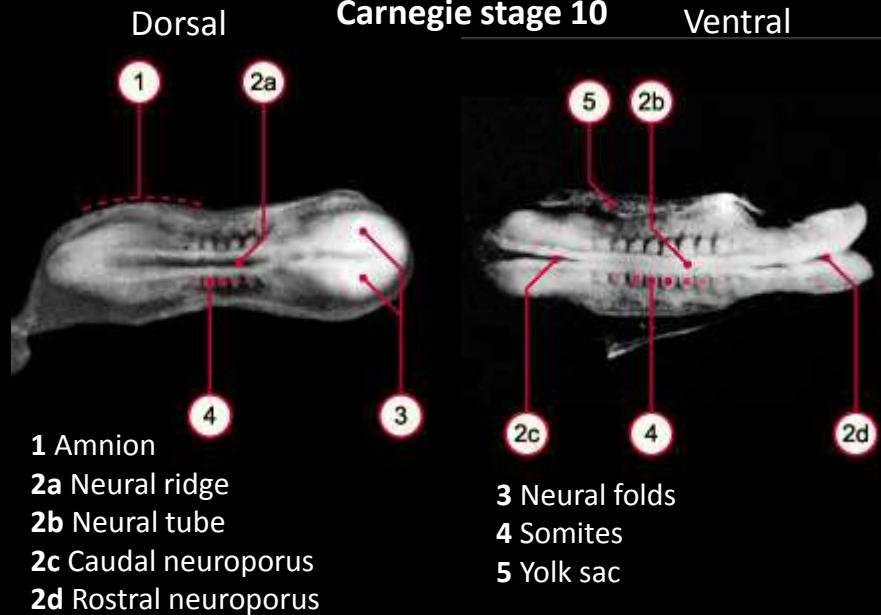
**Day 19**  
0.4 mm  
Carnegie stage 7



**Day 25**  
1.5-2.5 mm  
Carnegie stage 9



**Day 28**  
2-3.5 mm  
Carnegie stage 10



1 Yolk sac  
2 Primitive streak  
3 Primitive node  
4 Germ disc

1 Primitive streak  
2 Neural folds  
3 Amnion

1 Amnion  
2a Neural ridge  
2b Neural tube  
2c Caudal neuroporus  
2d Rostral neuroporus

3 Neural folds  
4 Somites  
5 Yolk sac

# EMBRYONIC DEVELOPMENT

week 4-6



4W

- Mesoderm segmentation
- Primitive gut
- Esophagotracheal diverticulum
- Heart (starts beating day 22-23)
- Limb buds
- Primary brain vesicles, closing of neuropores
- Differentiation of neural crest
- Origin of thyroid and anterior pituitary
- Ectodermal placodes, optic vesicle
- Liver diverticulum
- Septum transversum

5W

- Segmentation of mesoderm continues
- Posterior pituitary
- Heart septation begins
- Lung buds branch - pseudoglandular stage of lung development
- Cochlea grows
- Lens vesicle, nasal placodes
- Fourth brain ventricle forms
- Pharyngeal arches, ridges and pouches
- Limb buds grow
- Hematopoiesis in liver
- Retinal pigment

6W

- Derivatives of endodermal pharyngeal pouches (parathyroid, thymus)
- Adrenal gland
- Heart and lungs descended to thorax
- Innervation of limbs, differentiation of myoblasts
- Face development – maxillary and mandibular processes, palatine, choans
- Telencephalon stratifies – archicortex, paleocortex and neocortex. Choroid plexus
- Rotation of stomach
- Pancreatic diverticula fuse

# EMBRYONIC DEVELOPMENT

week 8



7-8W

- Secretion from endocrine pancreas
- Growth of liver, growth and luminalization of bile ducts
- Ossification of limbs begin
- Development of brain nuclei



8-9W

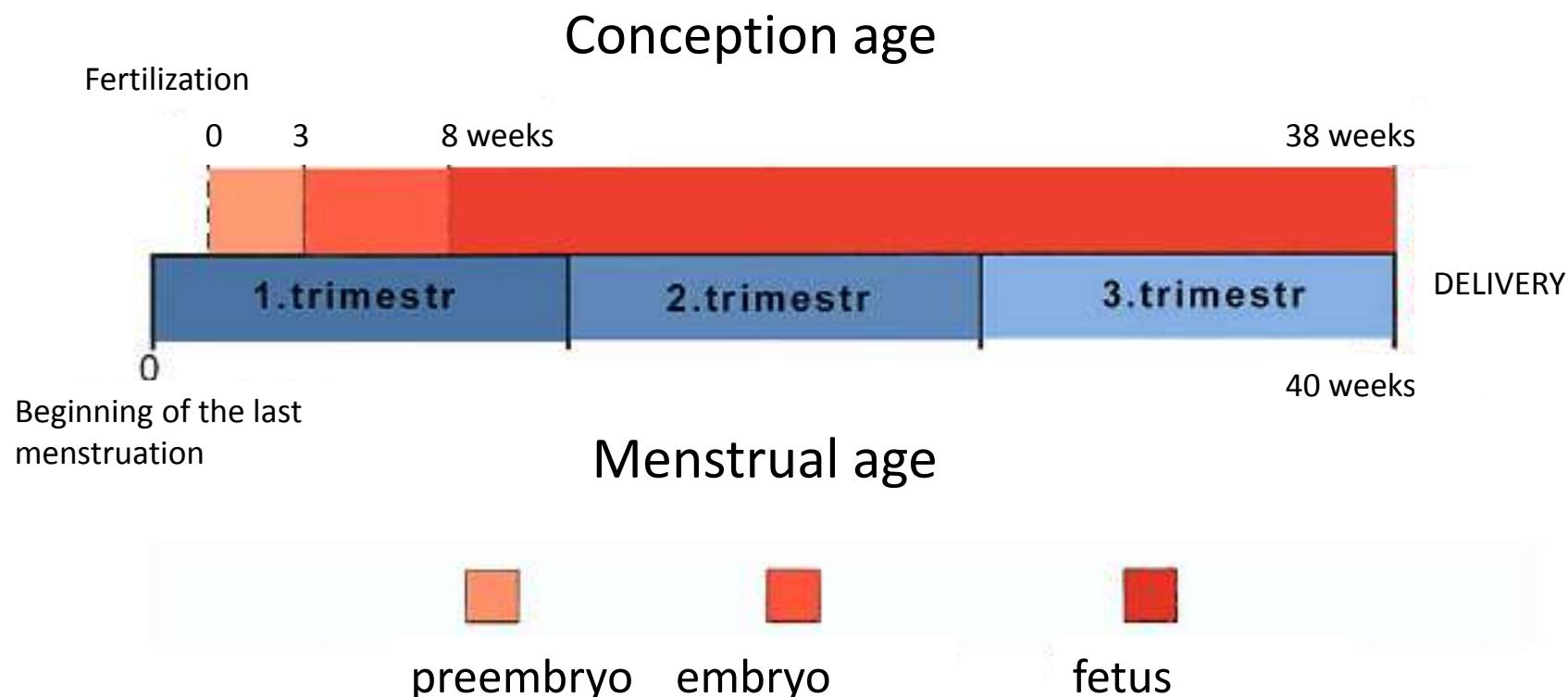
- Joints of upper and lower limbs allow rotation
- Fingers grow
- Stratification of cerebellar cortex
- Perforation of anal membrane
- Herniation of intestinal loops
- Testes produce testosterone
- Nose, mouth, eyelids, ear, external ear start to grow
- Backbone - 33-34 cartilaginous vertebrae
- Embryonic tail diminished

# LENGTH OF PREGNANCY

280 days (= 40 weeks = 10 lunar months) from the first day of the last **menstruation**

266 days (= 38 weeks) **from ovulation** (gestation age)

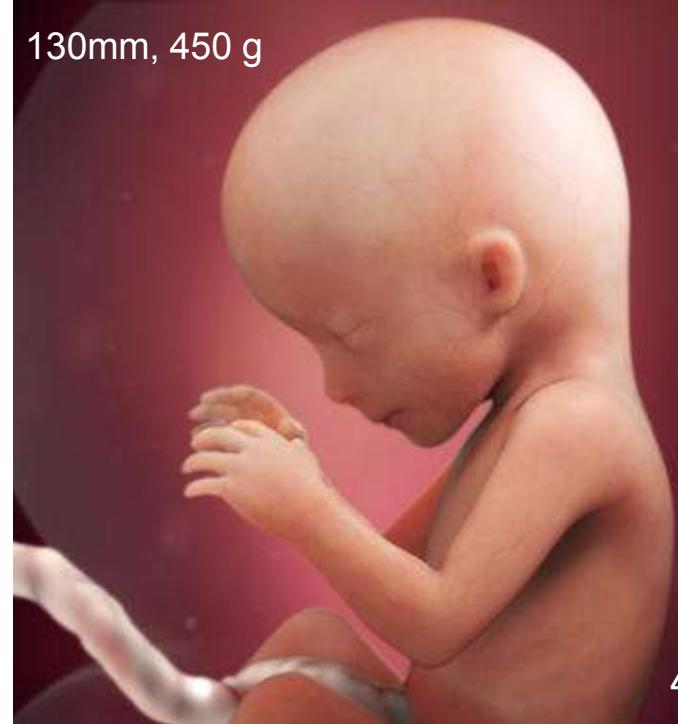
Calculation of term: First day of the last **menstruation + 1 year– 3 months + 7 days**



# FETAL DEVELOPMENT

month 4-5

60-70mm, 150 g



- Fetus swallows amniotic fluid – necessary for GIT development
- Rapid growth of head (non-proportional to rest of body)
- Eyelids fuse
- Ossification centers visible by ultrasound examination
- Development of external genitalia
- Kidneys produce urine, other organs start to work
- Skeletal muscles innervated
- Physiological umbilical hernia, in 12th weeks reposition of intestinal loops

- Rapid growth of fetus
- Ossification of skeleton
- Face growths, mandible visible
- Apparent external genitalia

# FETAL DEVELOPMENT

month 5-9



- Limbs growth
- Mother feels fetal movements
- Vernix caseosa, lanugo
- Short hairs and eyelashes
- Fetus reacts to sound and later to light
- Lungs start to produce surfactant
- Limit of viability

- Eyelids open
- Wrinkled skin with visible capillaries
- Subcutaneous fat
- Hairs grow
- Maturing of organ systems

- Subcutaneous fat accumulates in limbs
- Smooth, red skin
- Hallmarks of full term fetus



**Full term** – related to length of pregnancy (menstrual age)

- preterm (<37 weeks)
- full term (38 – 40 weeks)
- after term (>42 weeks) (meconium in amniotic fluid)

**Fetal maturity** – development of fetus: **mature X immature**

### **HALLMARKS OF FETAL MATURITY**

**Major:**

- **length (50 – 51 cm),**
- **weight (around 3500 g, physiological range 2500 - 4000g),**
- head sizes
- boys - testes in scrotum, girls - labia majora over labia minora

**Minor:**

- eutrophic fetus, subcutaneous fat
- skin is not blue (no cyanosis), lanugo remains on shoulders and back,
- eyelashes, hairs several cm long, nails over fingertips
- cranial bones hard, anterior and posterior fontanelle are palpable, and separated
- newborn cries and moves (Apgar score)

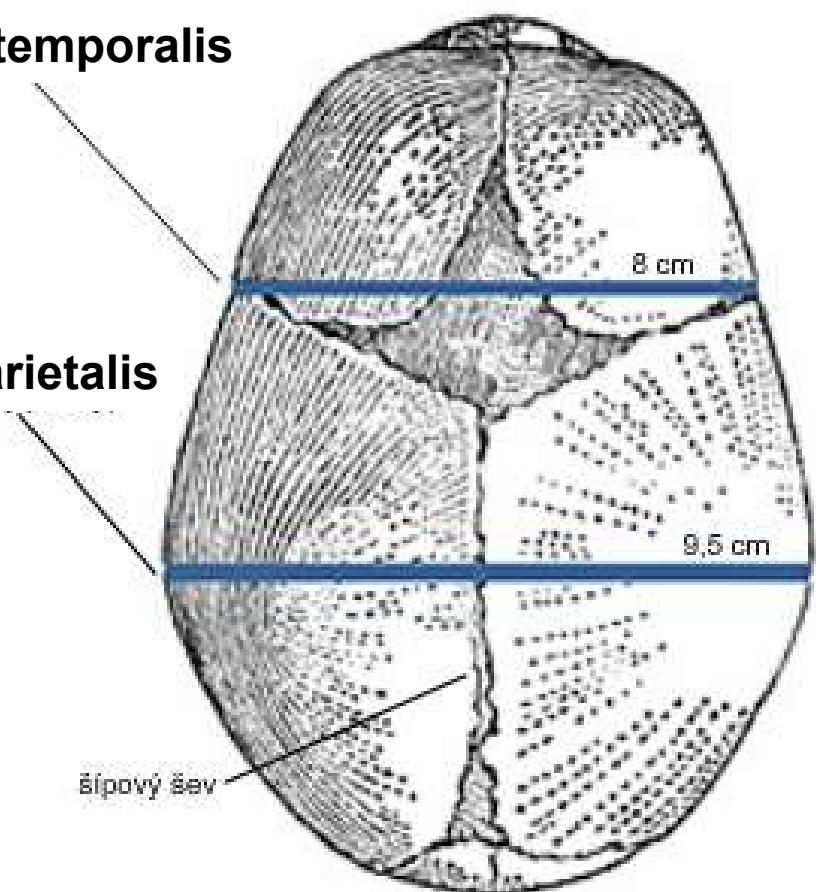
**Diameter bitemporalis – 8,00 cm**

(join of the most distant points on sutura coronaria)

**Diameter biparietalis – 9,5 cm**

(join of midpoints of tubera parietalia)

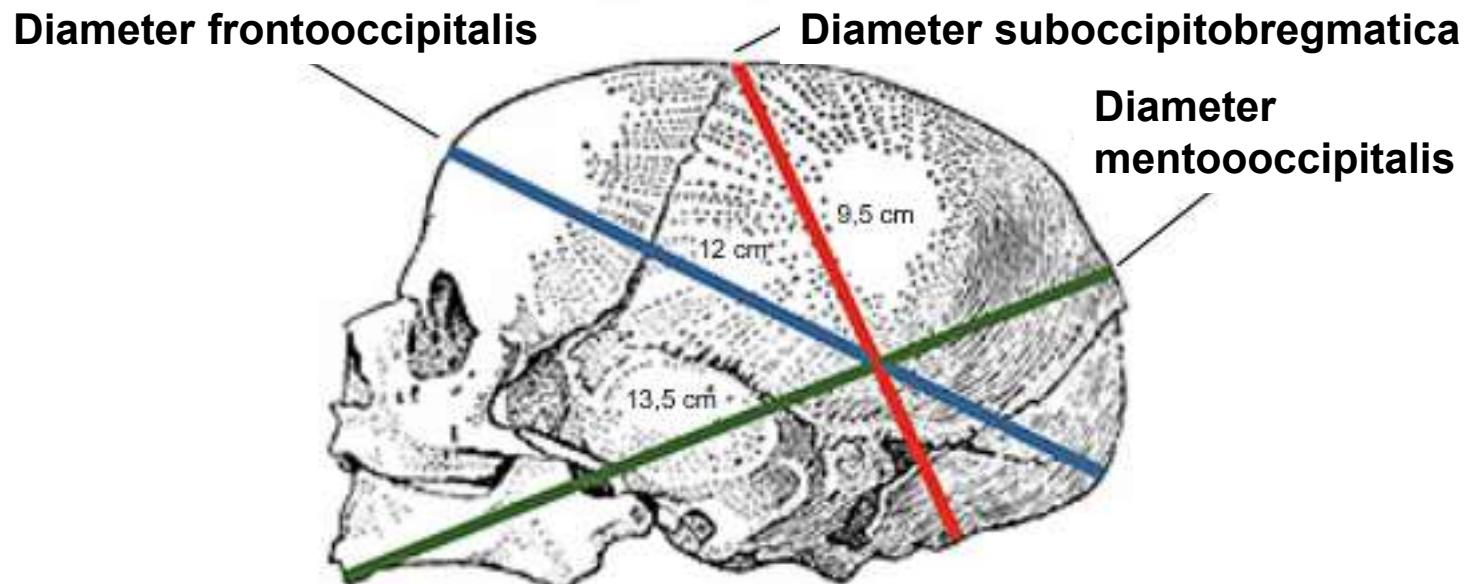
**Diameter bitemporalis**



**Diameter biparietalis**

Oblique sizes:

- **Diameter frontooccipitalis – 12.0 cm** (join of forehead midpoint and most distant point of occiput)
- **Circumferentia frontooccipitalis – 34.0 cm**
- **Diameter suboccipitobregmatica – 9.5 cm** (join of protuberantia occipitalis externa and midpoint of large fontanelle)
- **Circumferentia suboccipitobregmatica – 32.0 cm**
- **Diameter mentoooccipitalis – 13.5 cm** (join of chin midpoint and most distant point of occiput)
- **circumferentia mentooccipitalis – 35 - 36 cm**
- **Diameter biacromialis – 12.0 cm, circumferentia biacromialis – 35 cm**
- (join of acromion – acromion)



**RULE OF HASSE**

- forensic medicine

3. – 5. lunar month: length in cm = square of month

6. – 10. lunar month: length in cm = months multiplied by 5

Lunar month	Length of fetus[cm]
3	9
4	16
5	25
6	30
7	35
8	40
9	45
10	50

# FETUS IN UTERUS

1. **LIE (*SITUS*)** = relationship of the long axis of the fetus to that of the mother

- longitudinal: (99 %)
- transverse: (1 %) perpendicular axes
- oblique: unstable → longitudinal or transverse position

2. **POSITION (*POSITIO*)** = fetal backbone relative to uterus ridge

- **first**= left (back to the left)
- **second**= right (back to the right)
- first/second common/less common

3. **FETAL HABITUS (*HABITUS*)** = relationship of one fetal part to another

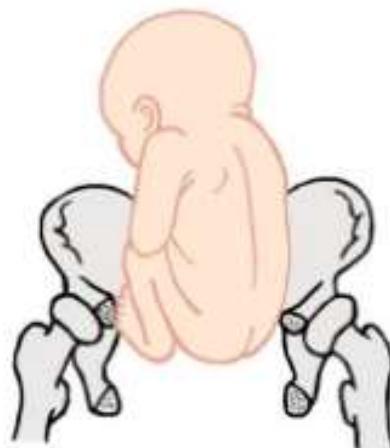
- regular = head and limbs in flexion
- irregular = everything else

4. **PRESENTATION (*PRAESENTATIO*)** = that part of the fetus lying over the pelvic inlet; the presenting body part of the fetus.

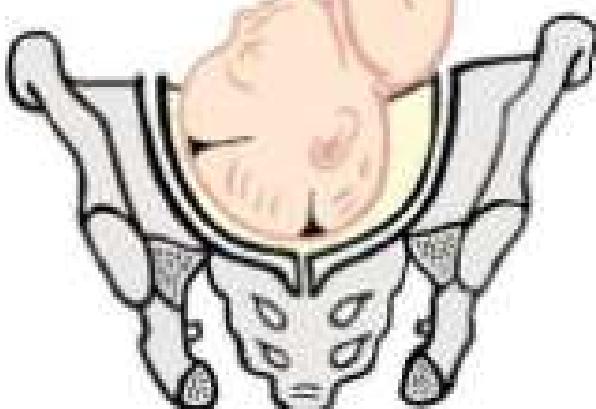
- occiput (most common)
- vertex, forehead, face (1%)
- breech
- trunk, shoulder

# SITUS

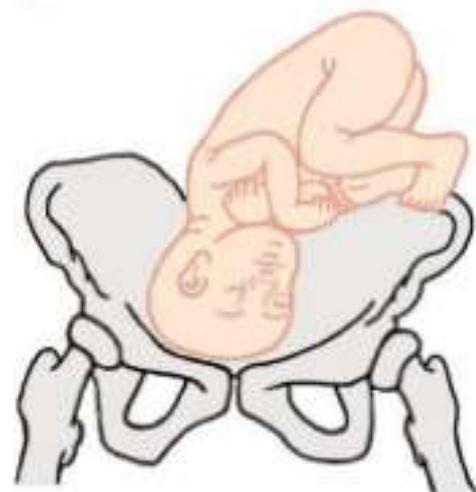
longitudinal - occiput



longitudinal - breech



transverse

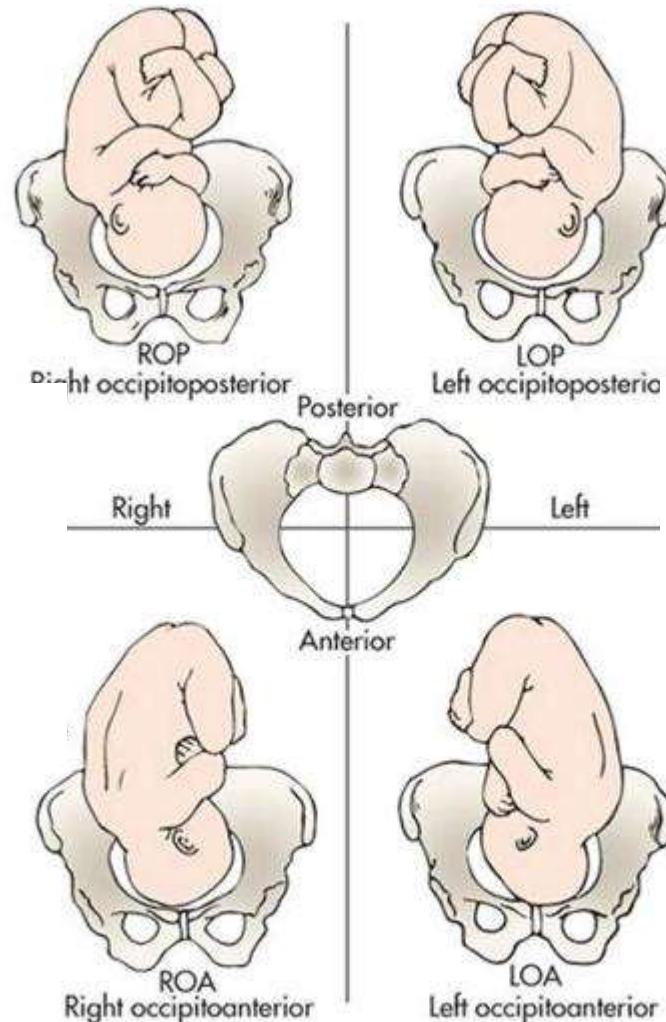


oblique



# POSITIO

## 2. COMMON „RIGHT“



## 2. LESS COMMON

## 1. COMMON „LEFT“

## 1. LESS COMMON

Lie: Longitudinal or vertical  
Presentation: Vertex  
Reference point: Occiput  
Attitude: General flexion

# HABITUS AND PRESENTATION



## HABITUS

irregular (any other)

regular

## PRESENTATION

occiput

vertex

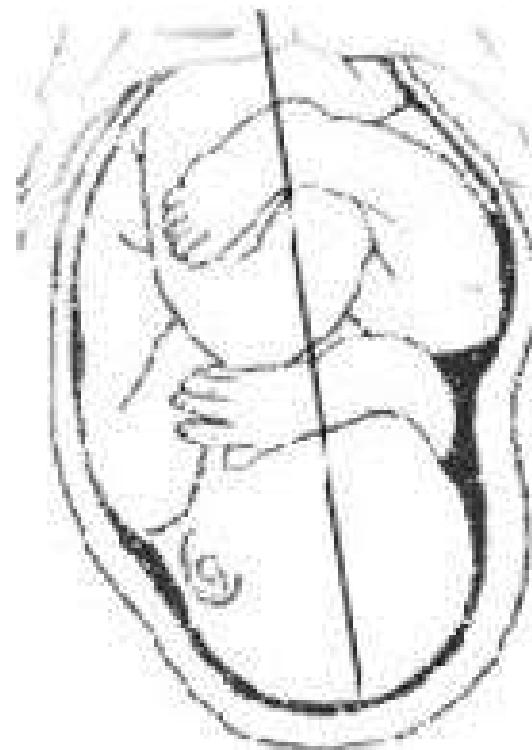
forehead

face



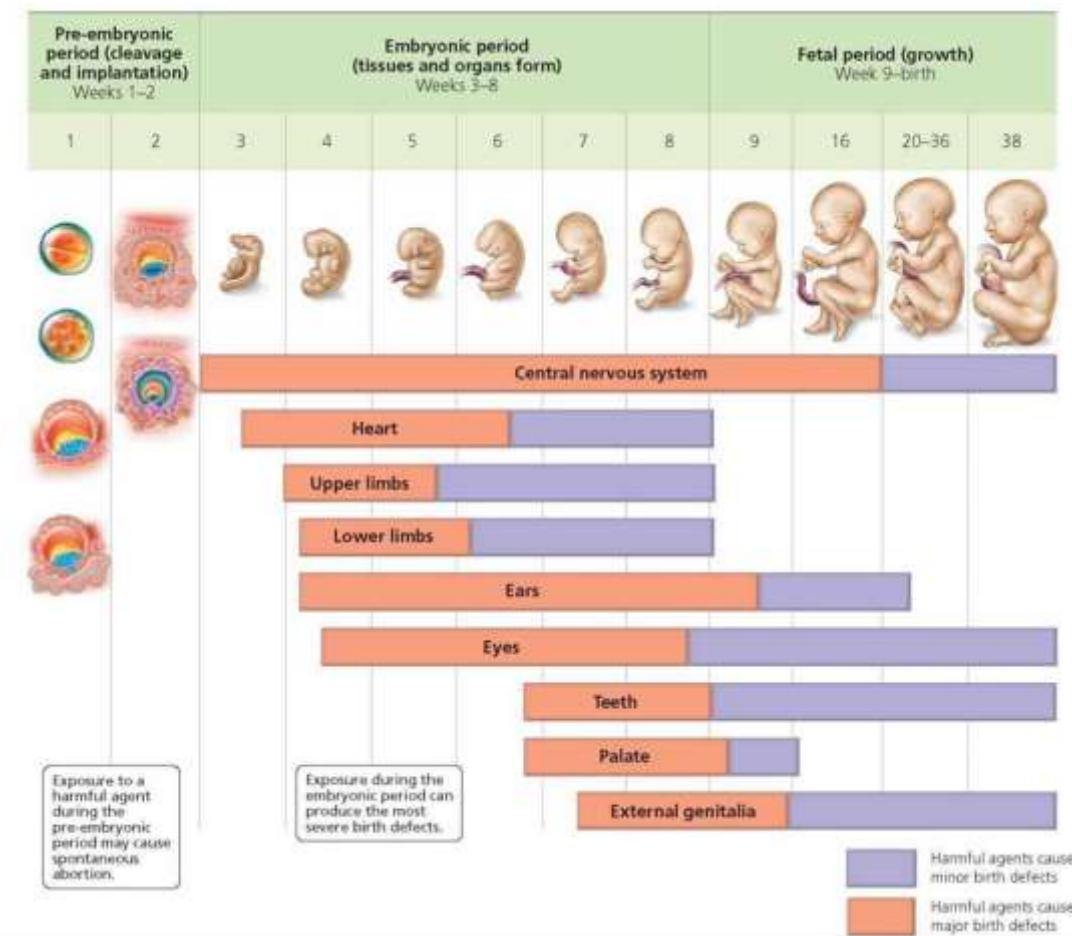
## PHYSIOLOGICAL IMPOSITION OF FETUS IN UTERUS

- LIE LONGITUDINAL - HEAD FIRST
- POSITION FIRST COMMON
- HABITUS REGULAR
- PRESENTATION - OCCIPUT



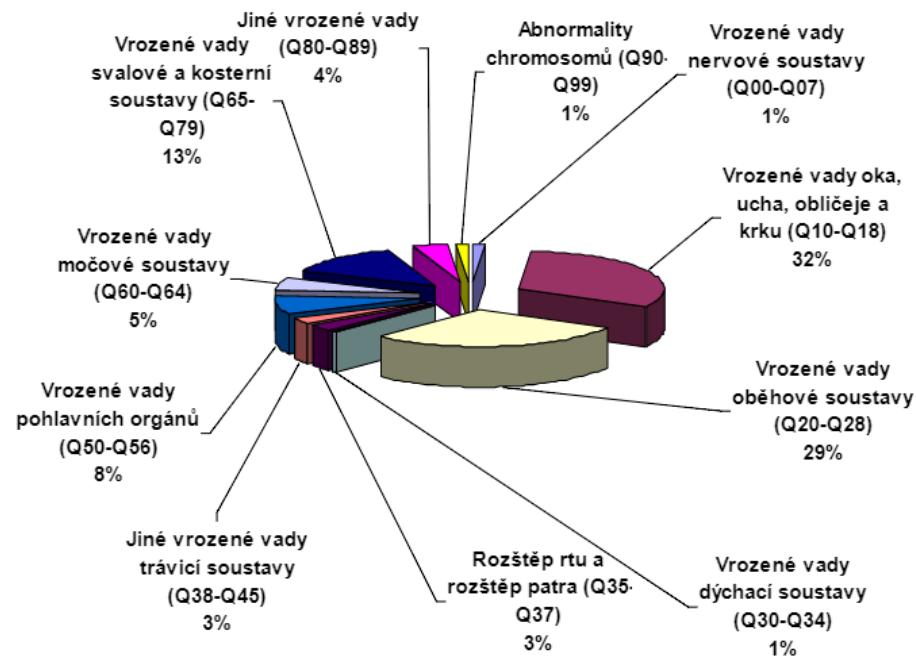
# INTRODUCTION TO TERATOLOGY

- Congenital disorders – due to abnormal developmental events
- Genetic (inherited) or nongenetic (external) causes
- Teratogens
- Critical developmental periods
- Life style (alcohol, smoking, drugs)
- Infections (rubeola, HIV, toxoplasmosis)
- Lack or abundance of key substances (folic acid × retinoids)
- Chronic diseases (medical treatment)



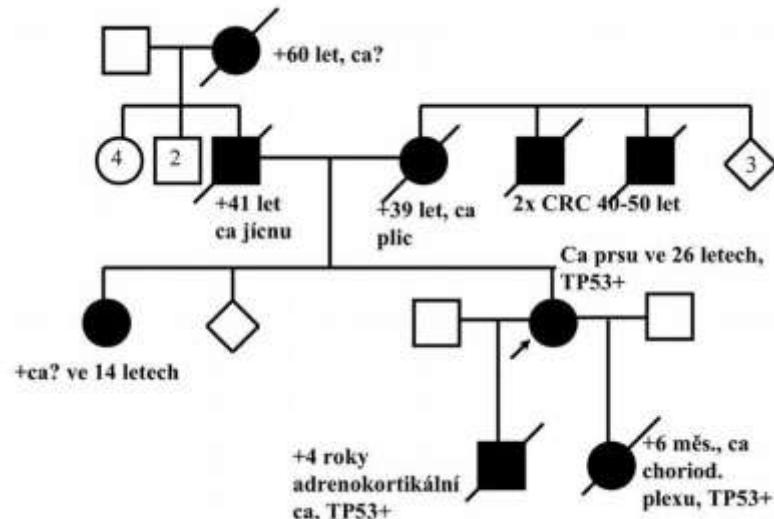
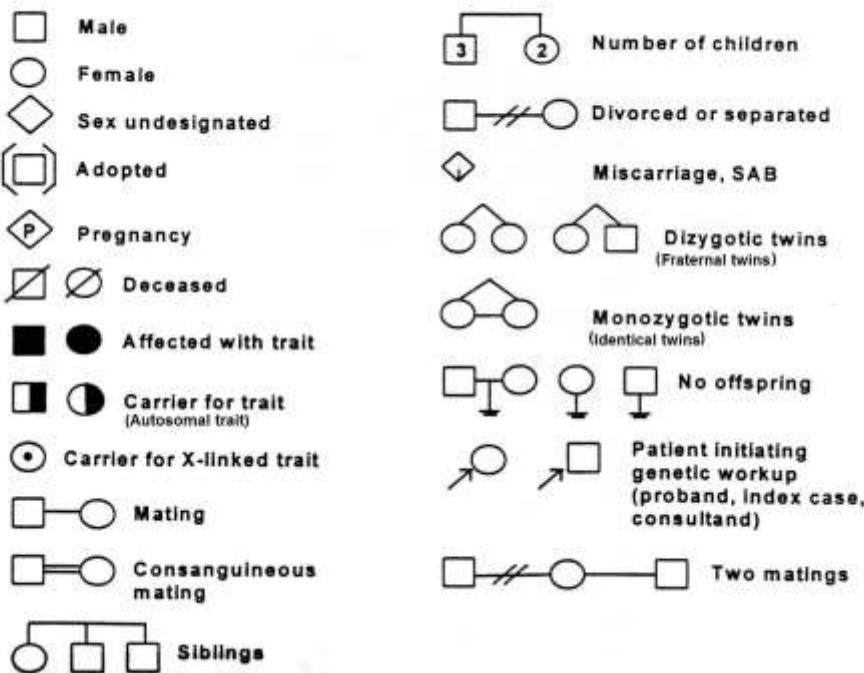
# INTRODUCTION TO PRENATAL DIAGNOSTICS

- Interdisciplinary care – biochemistry, genetics, gynecology and obstetrics, neonatology – parts of fetal medicine
- Revealing high risk pregnancies, access to preventive and therapeutic care
- Preventing delivery of fetuses with severe congenital malformations
- Support of delivery of genetically high-risk babies
- Planning and providing clinical care
- Genetic counselling
- Biochemical and ultrasound screening
- Karyotyping and DNA diagnostics
- Clinical diagnostics
- Indication:
  - congenital disorders in family
  - positive screening in 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester
  - abnormal finding by ultrasound
  - maternal age (over 35 years)



# GENETIC COUNSELING

- Anamnesis (case history)
- Preconception counselling
- Explaining of examination results, causes, clinical symptoms, therapeutic options
- Minimization of risk of repeated disease
- Providing diagnosis and information for free choice
- Providing precise diagnosis and risk estimation
- Providing care during pregnancy and later



**NONDIRECTIVE  
ALL EXAMINATIONS AND  
PROCEDURES ARE VOLUNTARY**

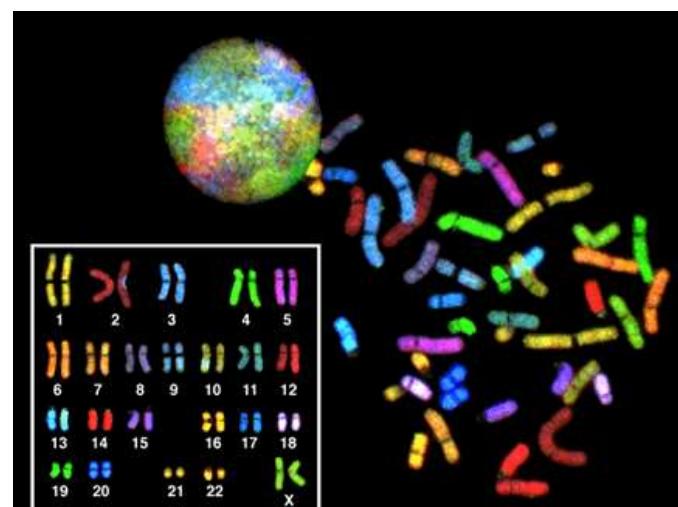
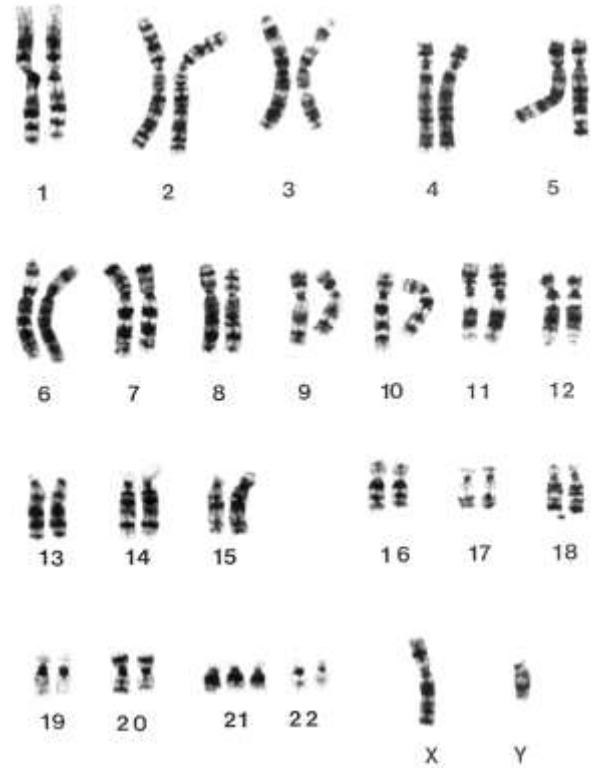
# BIOCHEMICAL SCREENING

- Non invasive
- Revealing high risk pregnancies – chromosomal aberrations and clefts
- **Screening is not a diagnostics** → further examinations (amniocentesis, karyotype, US)
- Tests between weeks 14-16 („TRIPLE test“)
  - low sensitivity and specificity (50-60%), high false positivity (70%)
  - AFP, E3, hCG
  - chromosomal aberrations, abnormal closing of neural tube, defects of body walls
- Combined screening in week 11-13
  - chromosomal aberrations – Down: 47,XY,+21, Edwards: 47,XY,+18, Patau 47,XY,+18
  - US –nuchal translucence, NT
  - PAPP-A, hCG (multiplies of median, MoM)
  - age included in algorithm
  - output: screening positive vs. negative (limit 1:100)



# INVASIVE DIAGNOSTICS

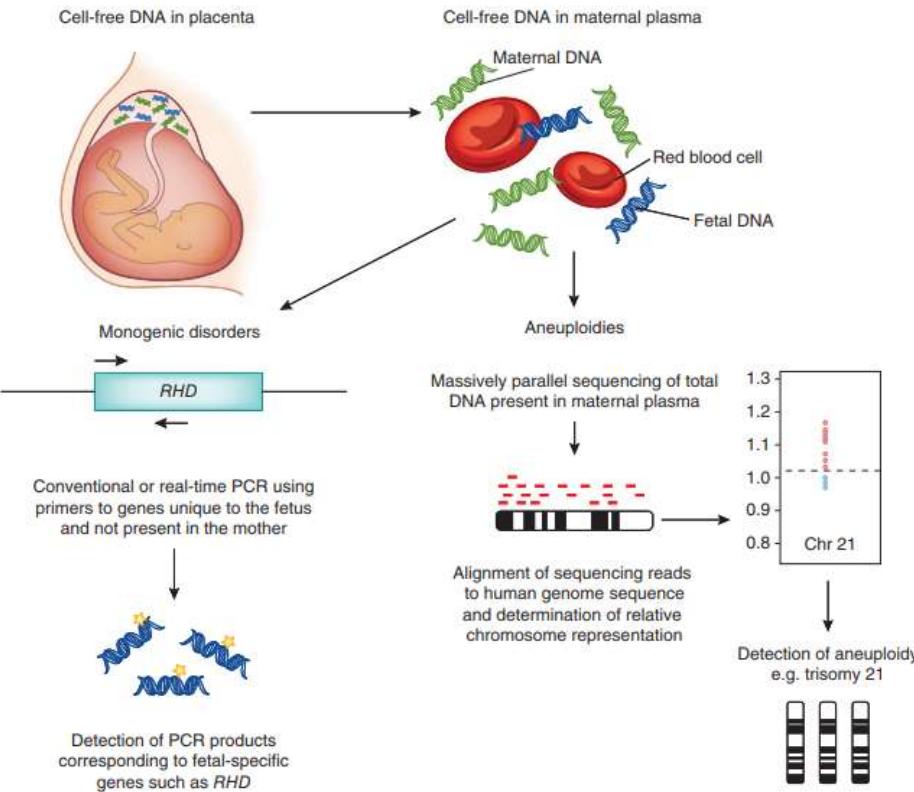
- Amniocentesis
  - 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> week
  - US controlled amniotic fluid aspiration
  - Cell culture, karyotype
  - Risk of miscarriage 0.5-1%
- Chorion villus biopsy
  - 10<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> week
  - Karyotype, molecular genetic examination
  - Risk 0.5-1%
- Cordocentesis
  - 22<sup>nd</sup> week
  - Sampling of venous umbilical blood
  - Now diagnostics and therapy of blood diseases (anemia, infections), or diagnostics in multiple pregnancies
  - Risk 1%
- Fetoscopy
  - Transabdominally (earlier transcervically)
  - Visualization and fetal biopsy
  - Risk 3-10%, done rarely



# ULTRASOUND DIAGNOSTICS

- 6-8<sup>th</sup> week
  - confirmation of pregnancy, heart action
  - number of fetuses
- 13-14<sup>th</sup> week
  - nuchal translucence (risk > 3 mm)
  - nasal bone (present × absent), **minor markers** (omphalocele, tricuspidal regurgitation, abnormality in ductus venosus flow, enlargement of urinary bladder-megavesica)
  - fetal size
- 20-22<sup>nd</sup> week
  - detailed screening
  - fetal biometry (biparietal diameter, head circumference, length of femur)
  - head and CNS (shape, cavity in septum pellucidum, ventricles, cerebellum, cisterna magna), face (lip, jaws, nose, orbits, profile), heart (action, size, axis, 4-chamber projection, outflow tracts, ...), thorax (pathological structures), abdominal cavity (stomach, intestine, kidneys, urinary bladder, umbilicus and umbilical vessels), backbone, limbs, palms, feet
  - placenta, volume of amniotic fluid
- 30<sup>th</sup> week
  - fetal size
  - volume of amniotic fluid
  - placenta (exclusion of *placenta praevia*)

# ADVANCEMENTS IN MOLECULAR GENETICS



Analysis of cell-free fetal DNA in maternal blood  
Since 12<sup>th</sup> week  
Massive parallel sequencing (Next-Gen Sequencing)  
Common aneuploidies (trisomy 21,13,18)  
Monogeneic disorders

SOP-M8	NEINVAZIVNÍ DETEKE ANEUPLOIDIÍ CHROMOZOMŮ 13, 18 A 21 POMOCÍ MULTIPLEX PCR A MASIVNÍHO PARALELNÍHO SEKVENOVÁNÍ (MPS)
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Test Clíriga se značkou „CE“, která je nezbytná pro provádění laboratorního vyšetření v zemích EU, splňuje základní požadavky Směrnice řady IVD 98/76/EC pro in vitro diagnostiku.

## VÝSLEDEK VYŠETŘENÍ:

Chromozom	Stav	Předpokládané frakce	Předpokládané pohlaví plodu
13	normální	7,1 %	ženské
18	normální		
21	normální		

## ZÁVĚR:

Analyzou volné fetální DNA cirkulující v krvi těhotné nebylo zjištěno zvýšené riziko aneuploidie chromozomů 13, 18 a 21.

Komentář: doporučujeme genetickou konzultaci.

Pozn: Při patologickém nálezu je výsledek nutné ověřit některým z invazivních postupů (např. odber plodové vody, choriových klik, kurdocenéza s naslednou QF-PCR analýzou nebo stanovením klasického karyotypu apod.).

# THANK YOU FOR ATTENTION

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