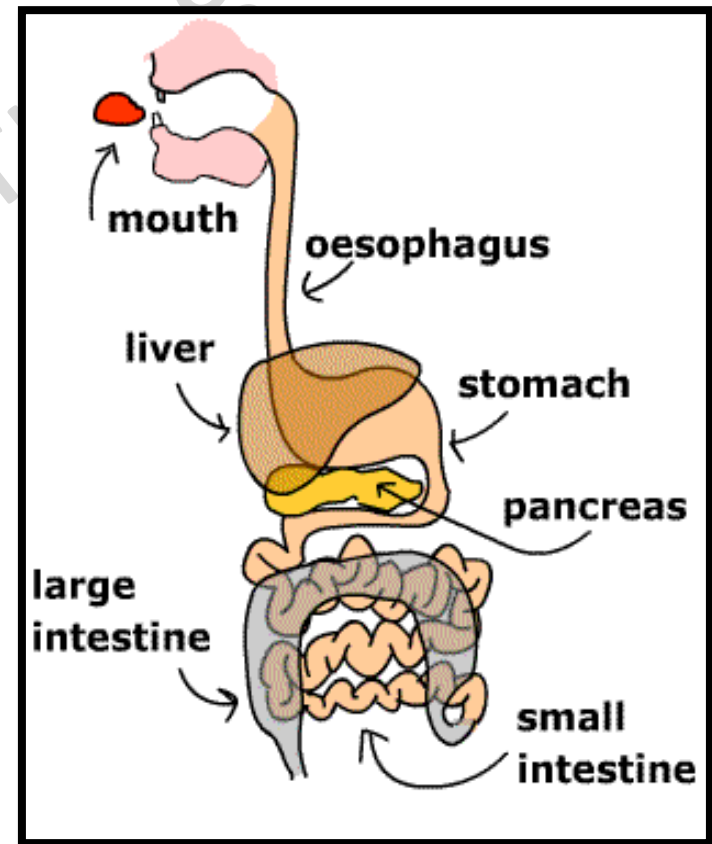


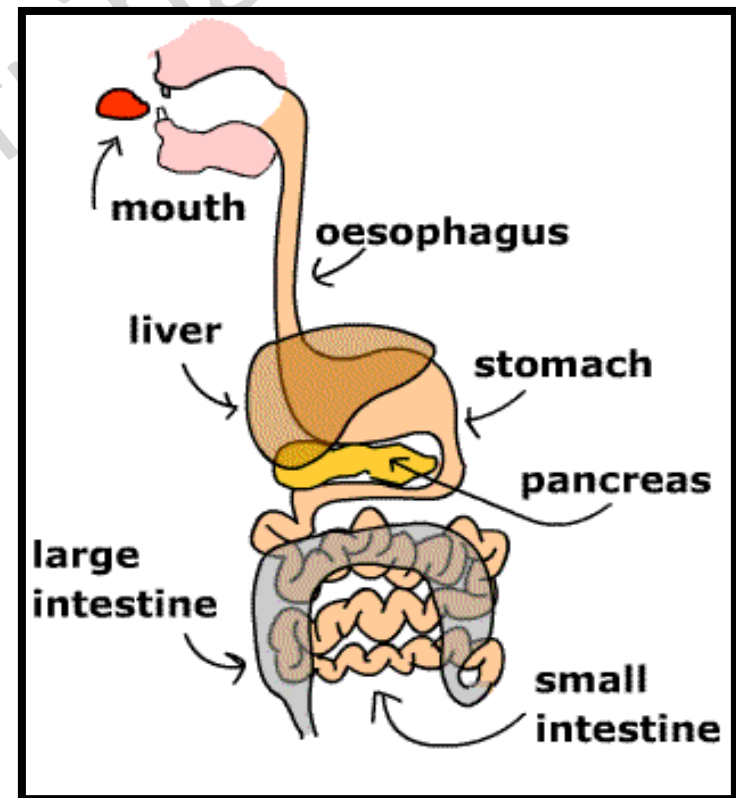
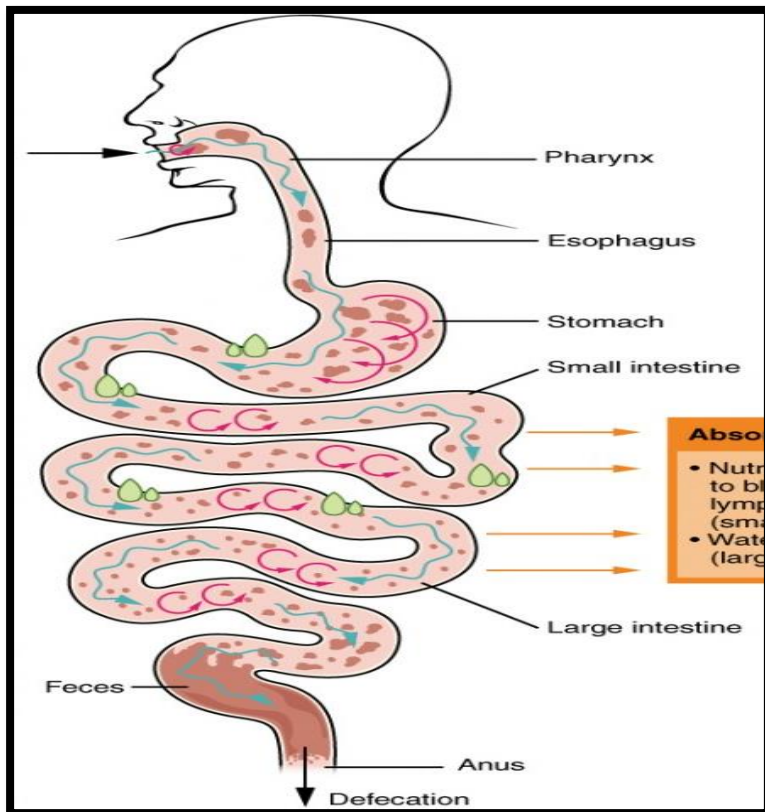
Gastro Intestinal Tract

- GIT is an organ system which takes in food, digests it, extracts energy from food and expels remaining waste as feces.



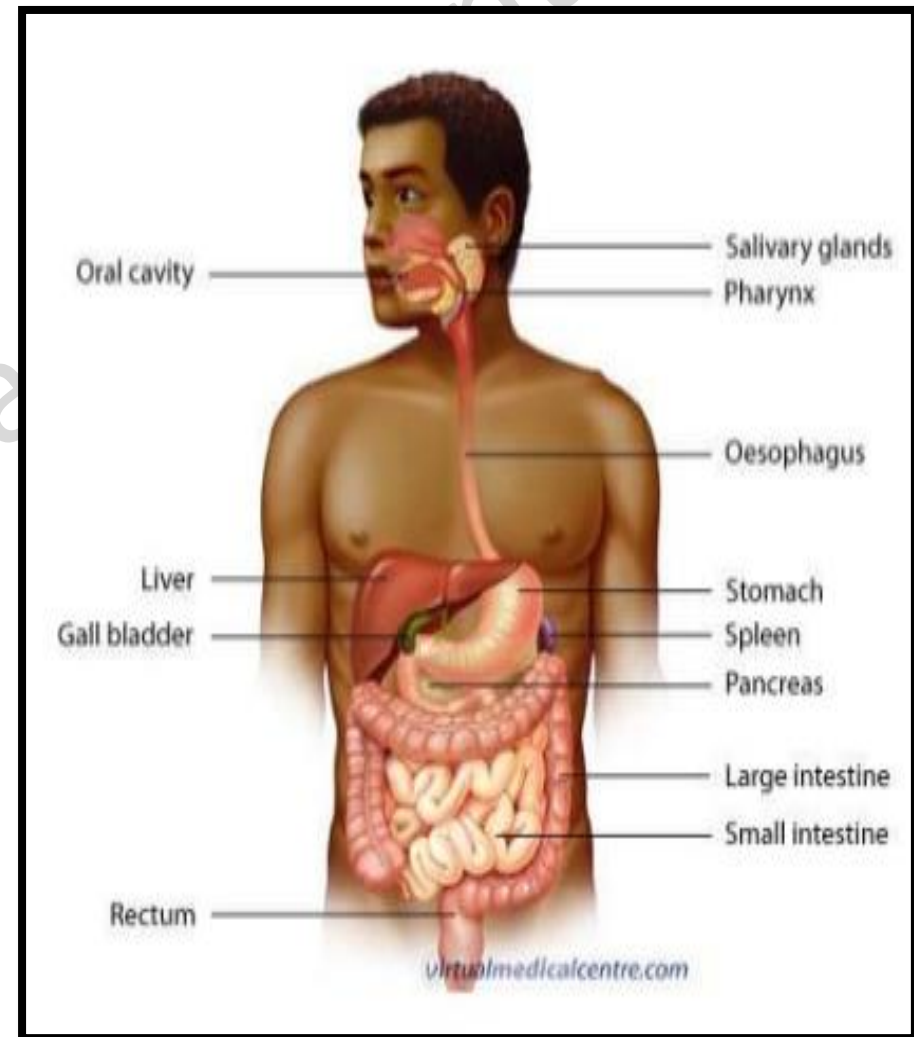
- **Digestion:**

- Process of breakdown of food macromolecules into smaller molecules with the help of enzymes.



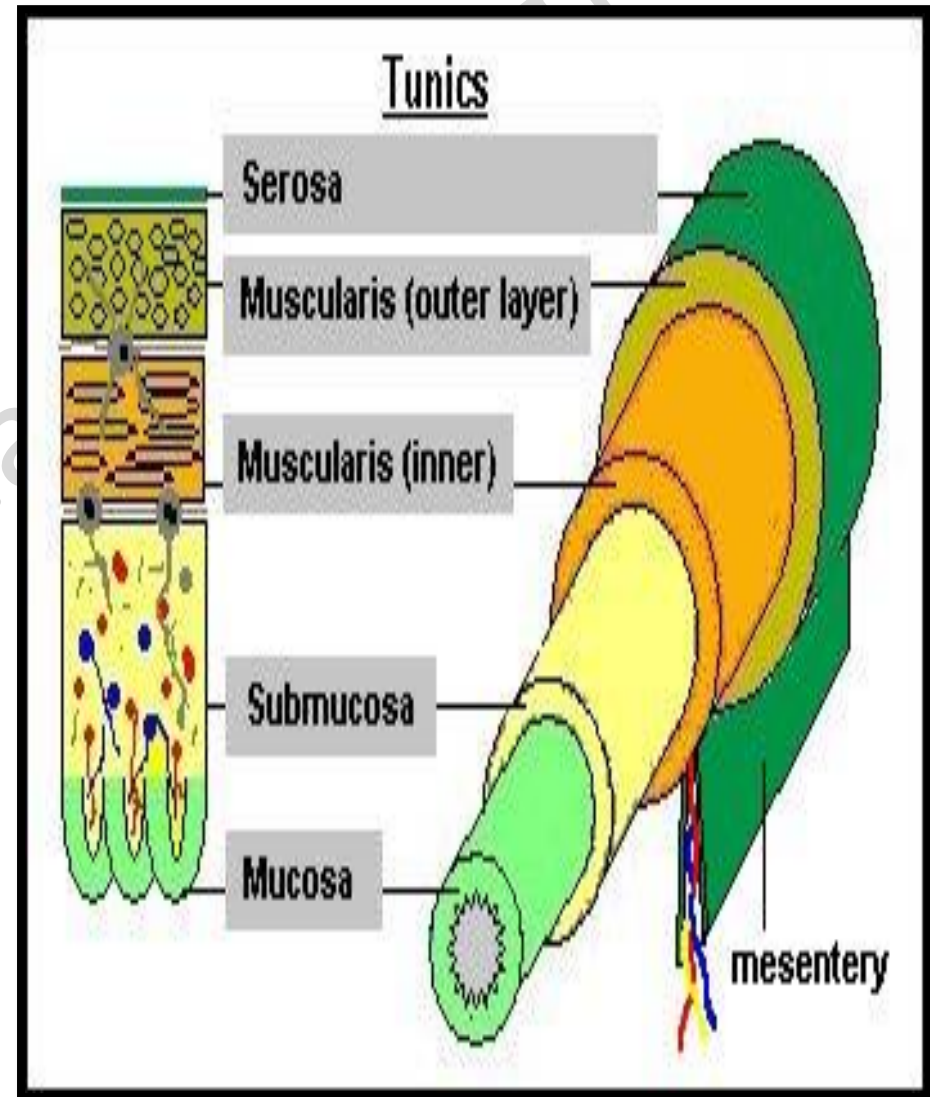
GASTROINTESTINAL SYSTEM

- **Parts:**
- *Mouth*
- *Salivary glands*
- *Esophagus*
- *Stomach*
- *Liver*
- *Pancreas*
- *Small & Large intestine*



Structure of GIT wall

1. Inner most – Mucosa
2. Submucosa
3. Muscular Layer
4. Outer most -- Serosa



Structure of GIT wall

1. Inner most – Mucosa

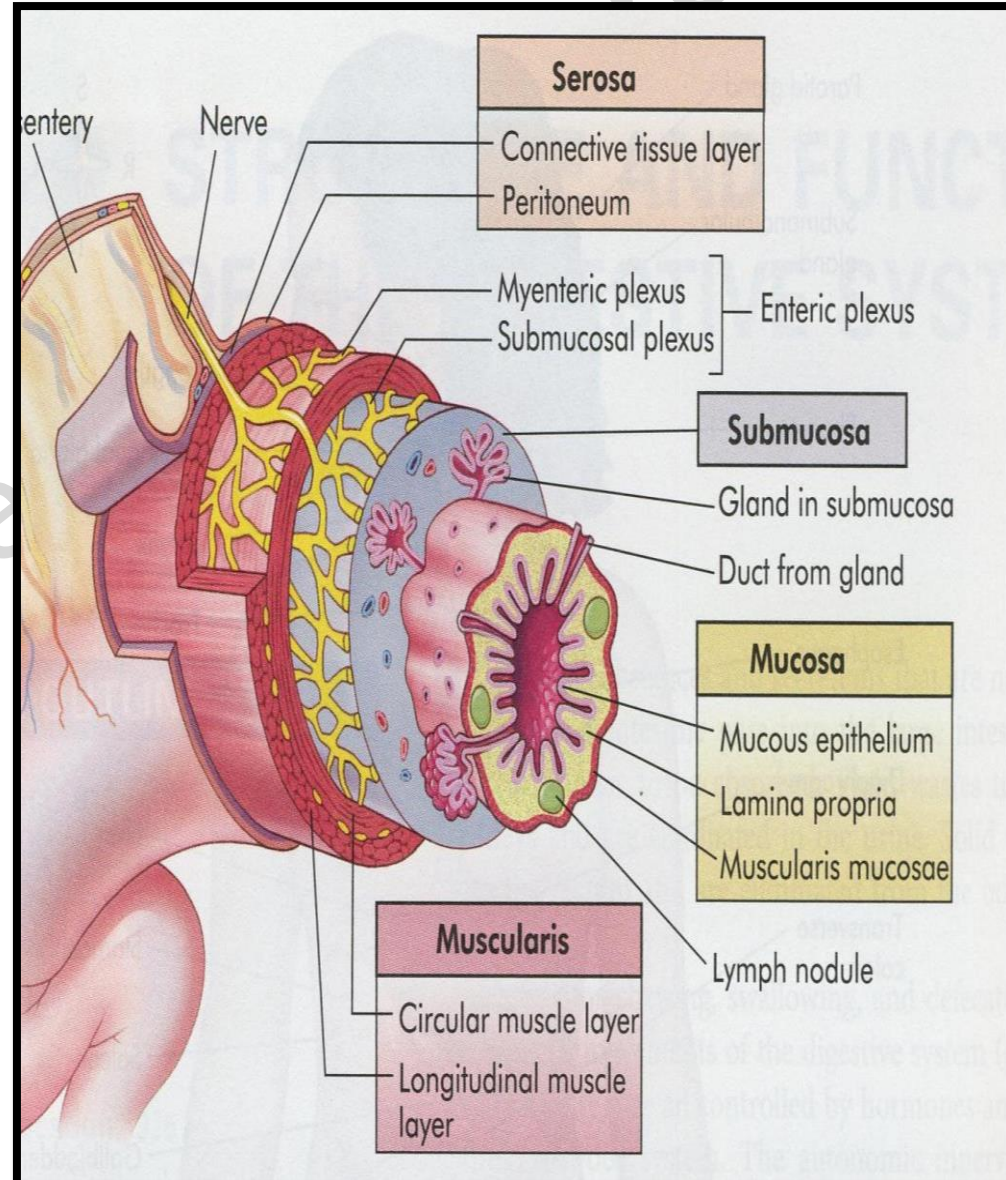
- **Epithelial layer**

- **Lamina propria**

(glands, blood vessels, lymph nodes)

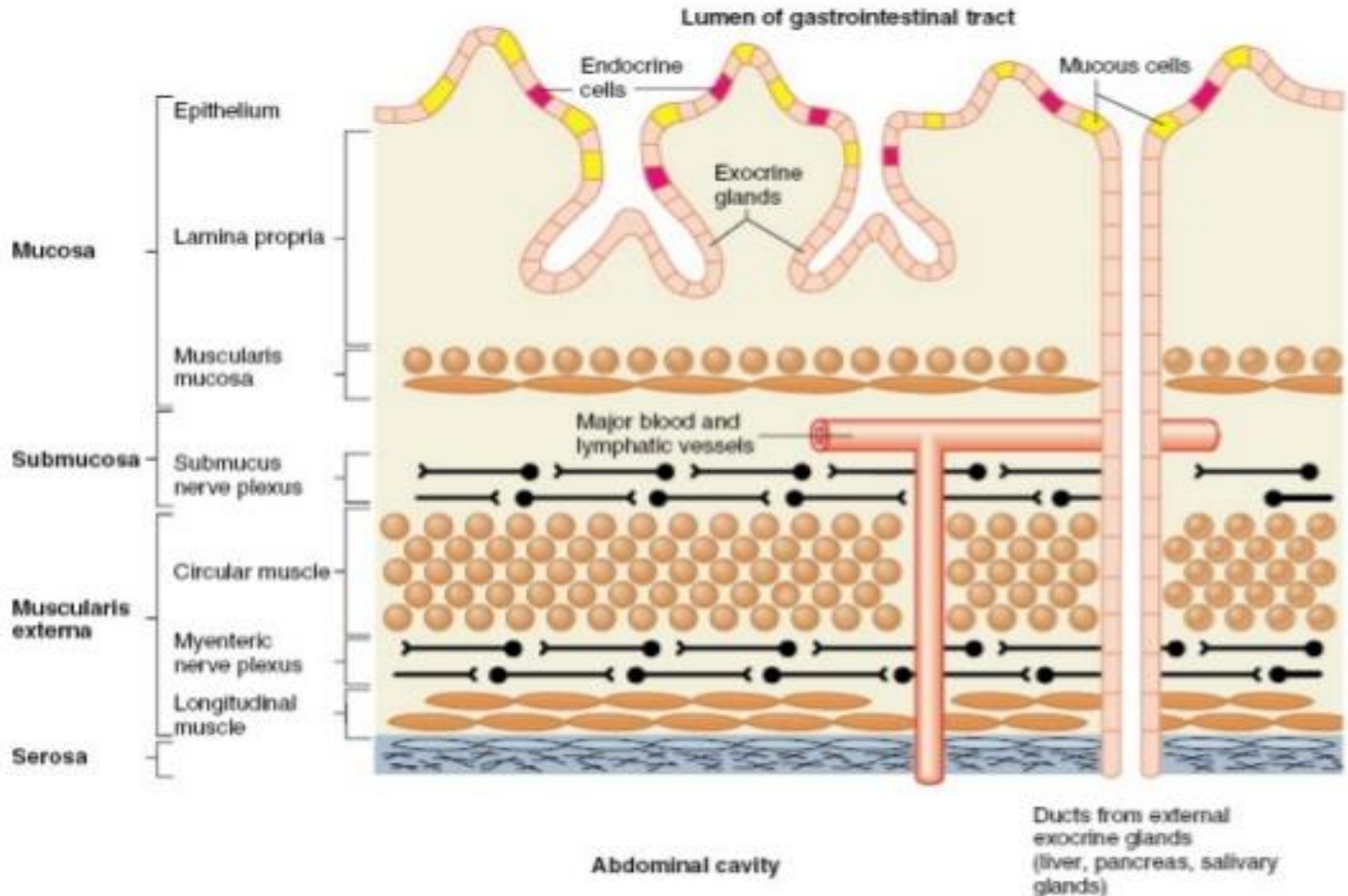
- **Muscularis mucosa**

(thin layer of smooth muscle fibers)



Structure of GIT wall

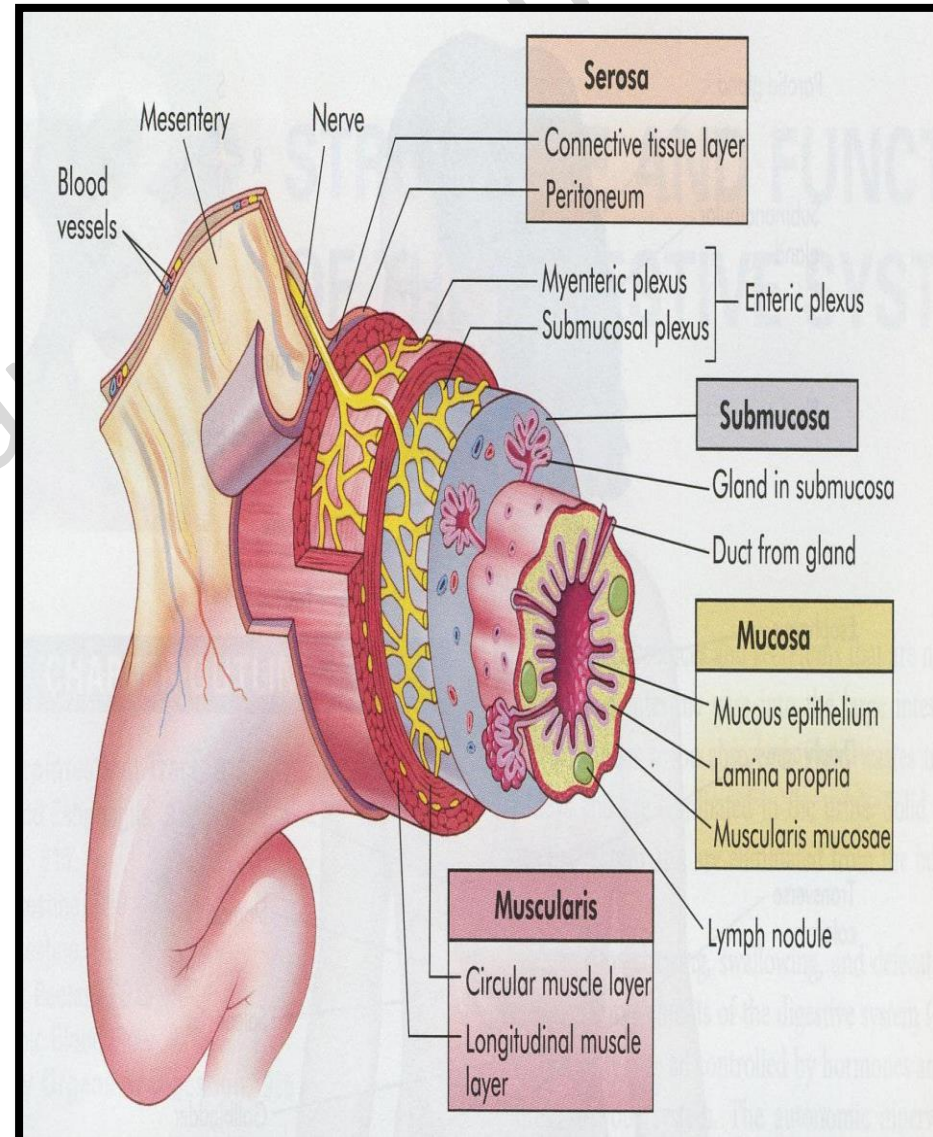
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Structure of GIT wall

2. Submucosa

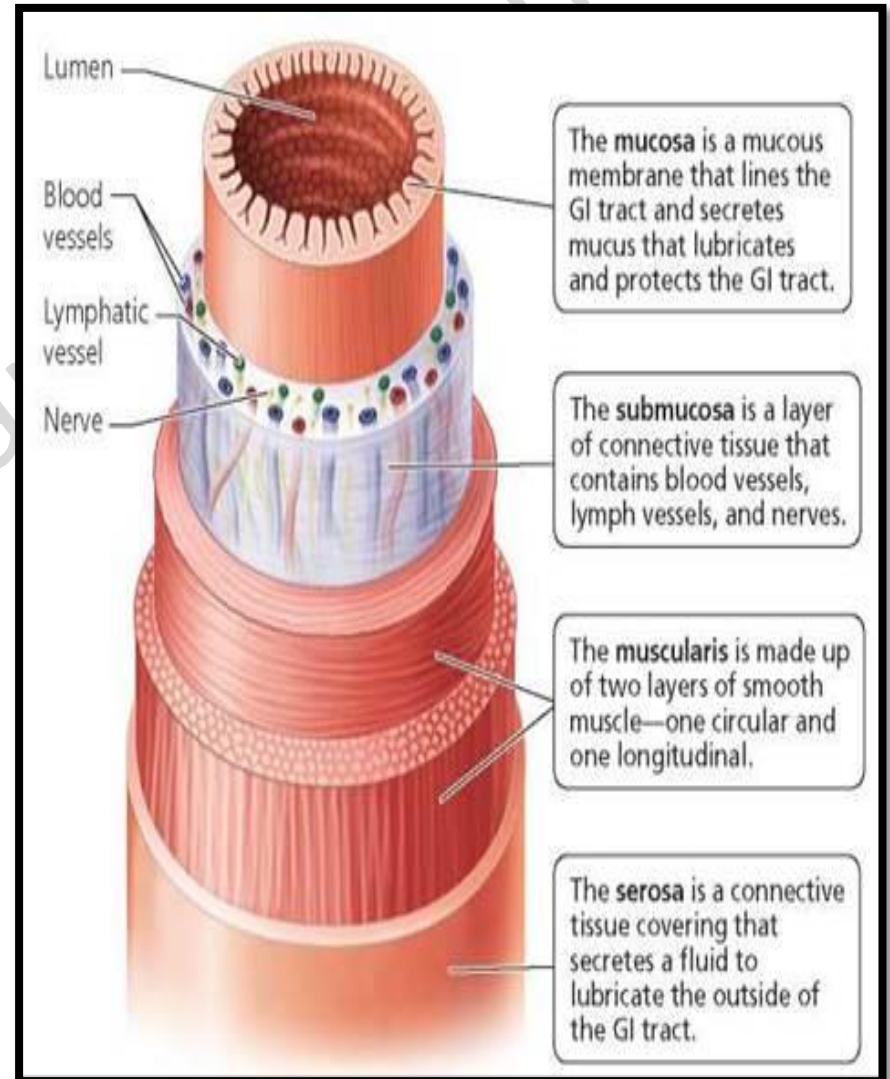
- glands,
- blood vessels
- Lymphatics
- **Meissner's nerve plexus**



Structure of GIT wall

3. Muscularis Layer

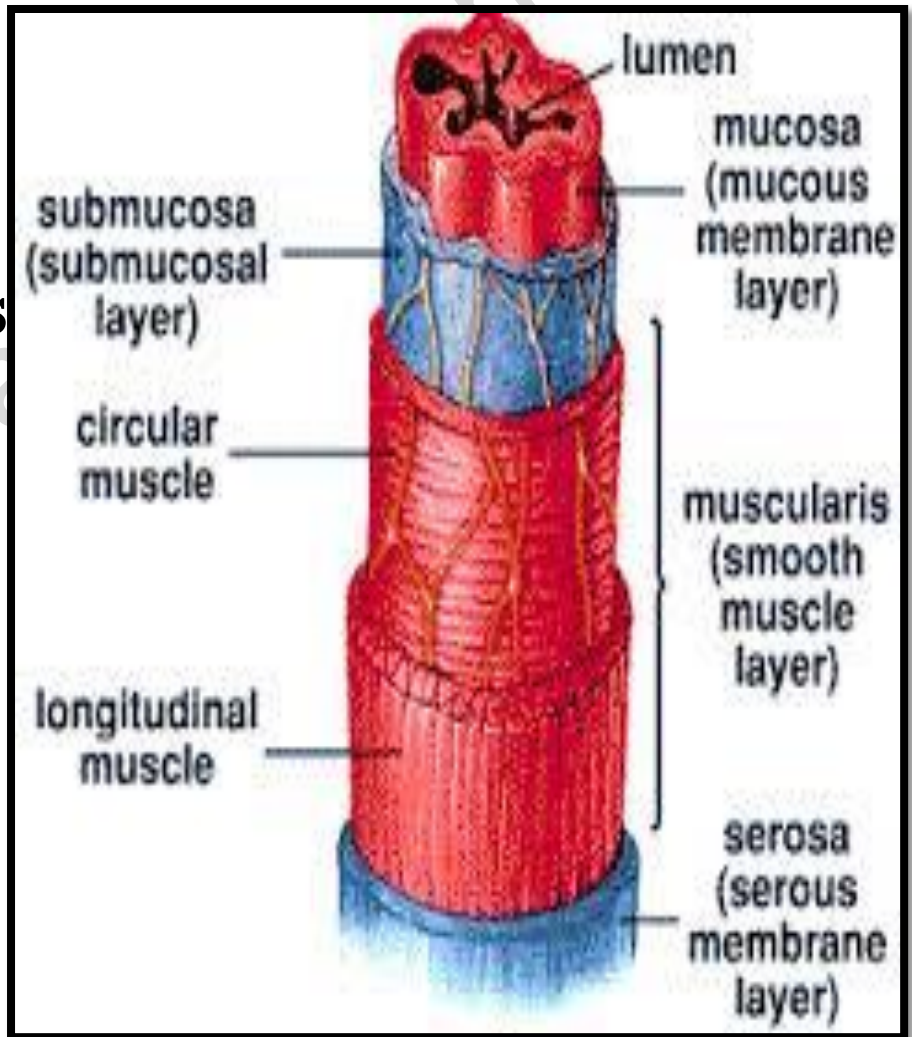
- Thick layer of smooth muscles.
- **Inner circular smooth muscle**
- **Outer Longitudinal smooth muscle**



Structure of GIT wall

3. Muscularis Layer

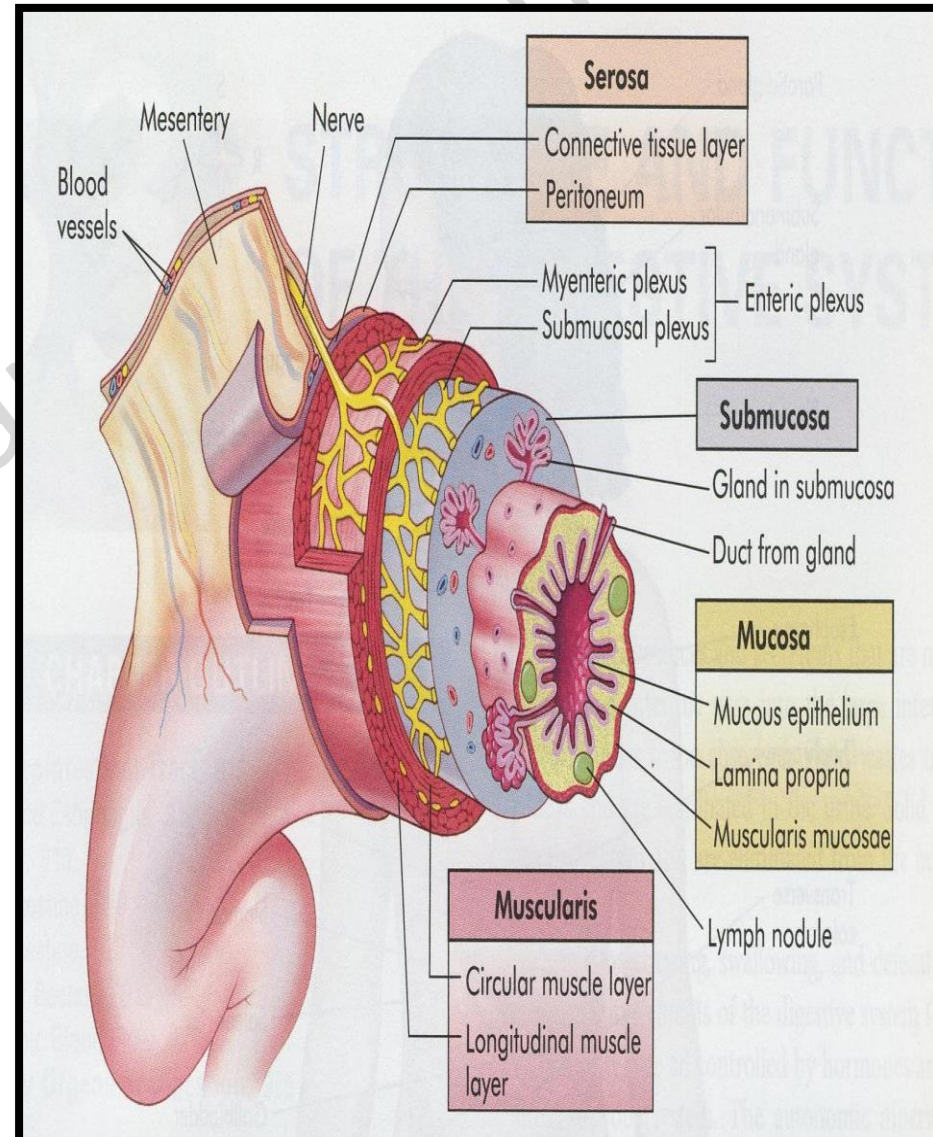
- Between two muscle layers.
- Is a network of nerve fibers
- **Myentric plexus**
(Auerbach's Plexus)



Structure of GIT wall

4. Serosa

- Outermost layer
- **Connective tissue**
- Attaches gut to surrounding structures.



Nerve plexus with in the gut (intrinsic innervation)

- **Meissner's Plexus** (Georg Meissner)

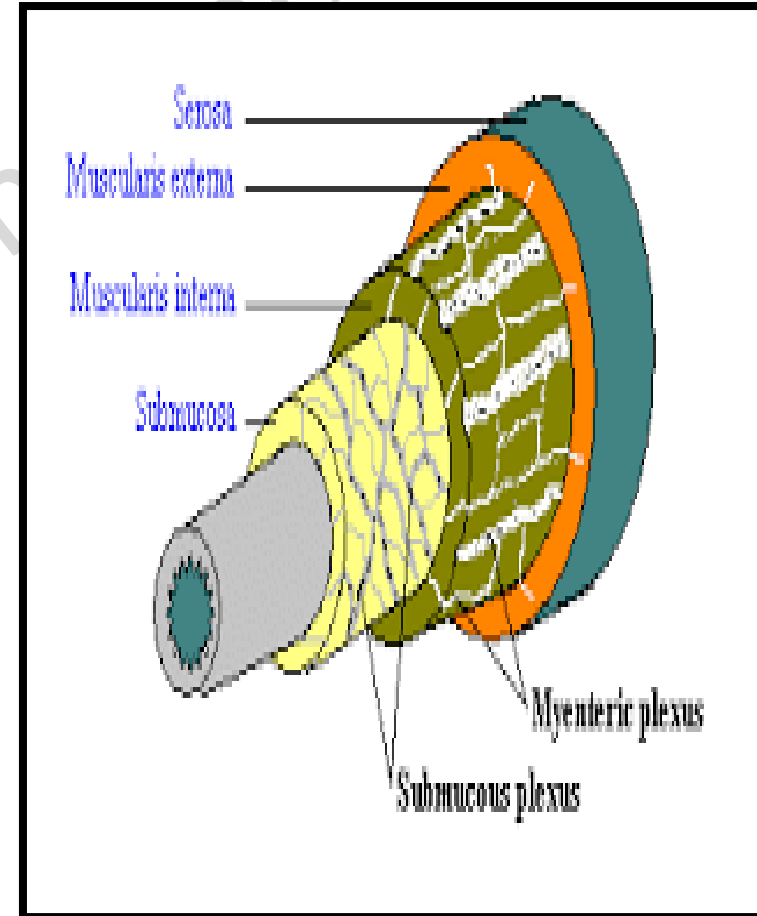
controls

- digestive secretions from glands
- Blood flow to gut

- **Myenteric Plexus** (Auerbach)

controls

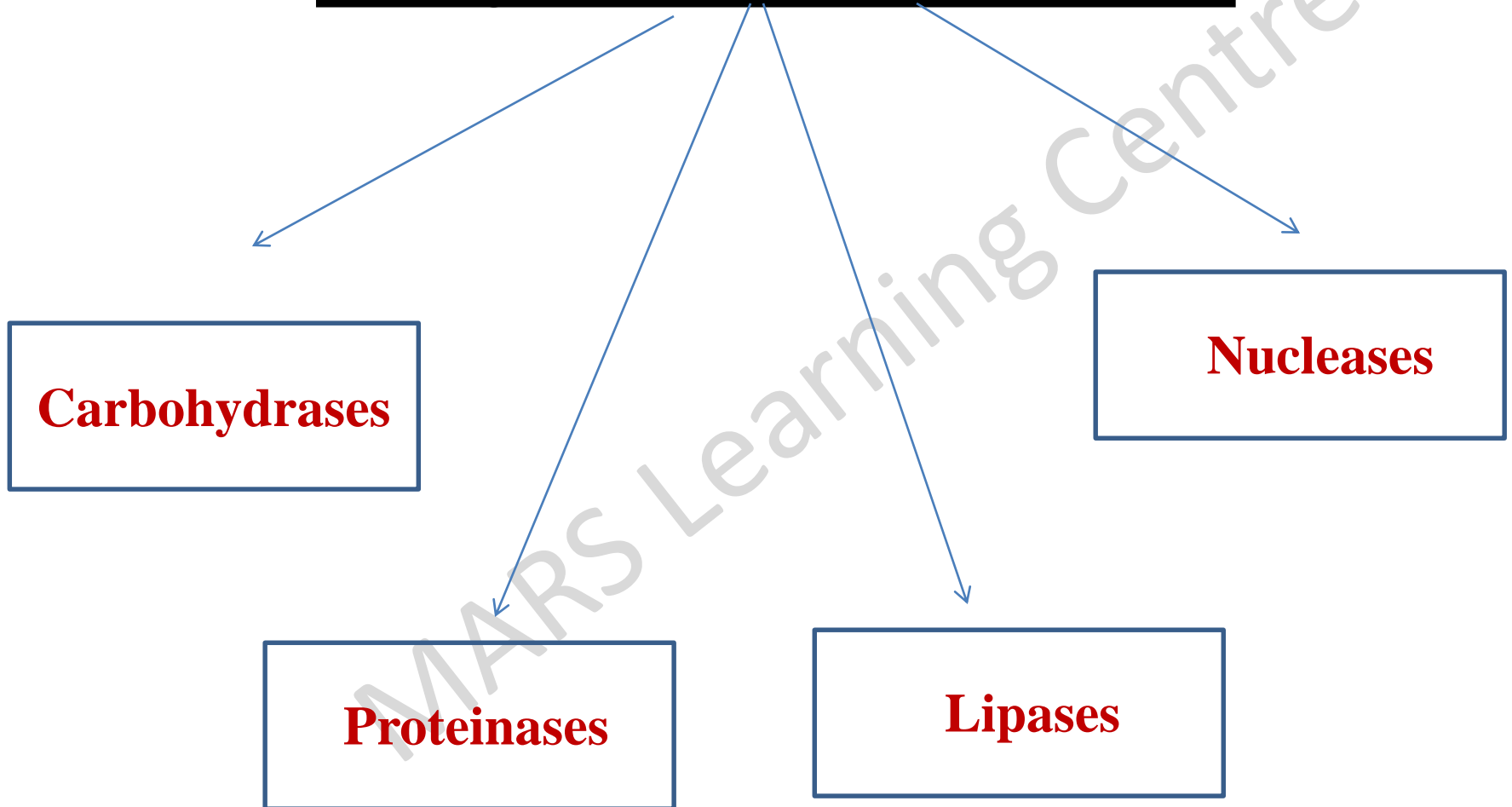
- Contractions of smooth muscles
- Motility of gut

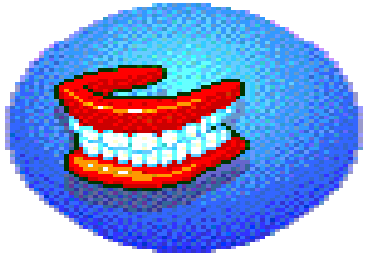


Digestive system Functions



Enzyme classification





FUNCTIONS OF MOUTH

Ingestion of food

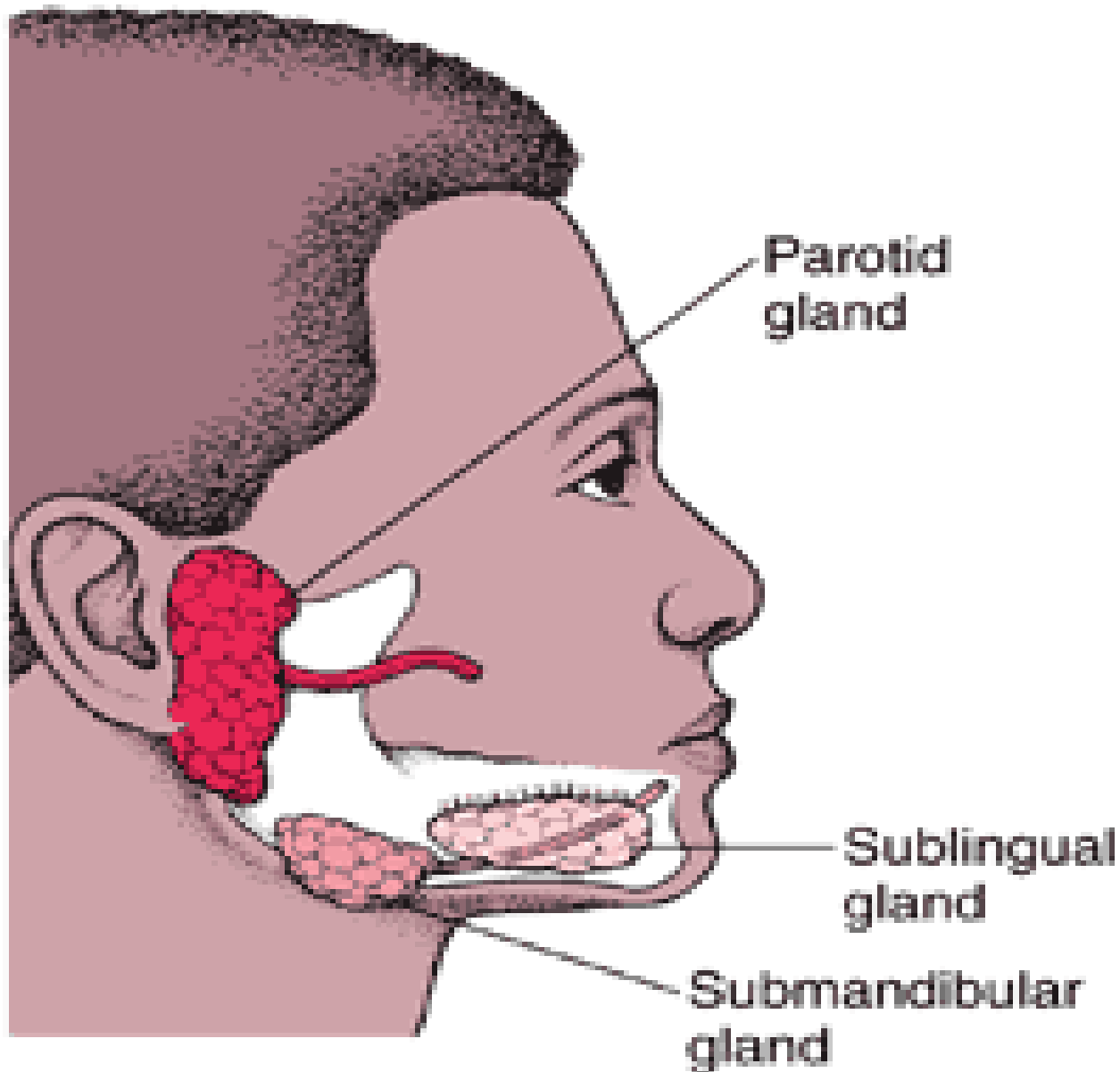
Chewing of food

Mixing the food with saliva

Appreciation of taste of food

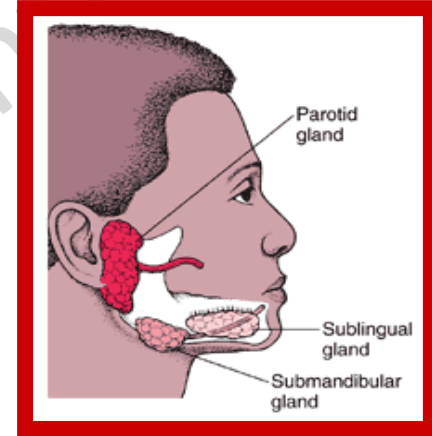
Transfer of food to the esophagus

MAJOR SALIVARY GLANDS



Composition of saliva

- 1000-1500 ml/day
- Water - 99.55%
- Solids- 0.5%
- Specific gravity: 1.002-1.012



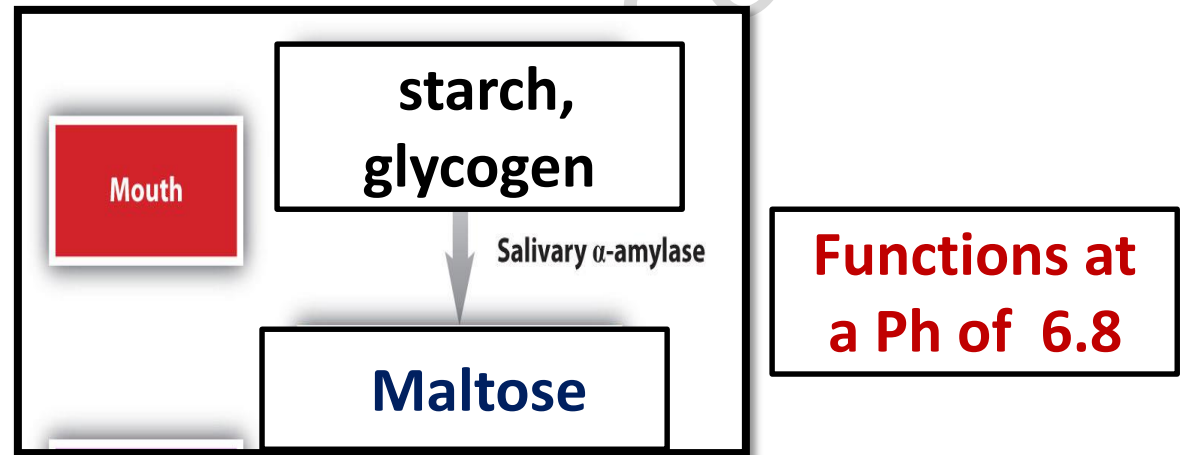
Inorganic substances

Sodium, potassium,
bicarbonate, chloride,
bromide, phosphate

Organic substances

Ptyalin (Salivary amylase)
Lingual lipase by Ebner's
glands
Mucin, lysozymes,
Thiocyanate ions

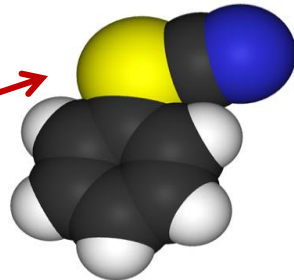
- Ptyalin function is pH specific
- Doesn't function in highly acidic medium



- Saliva contains –

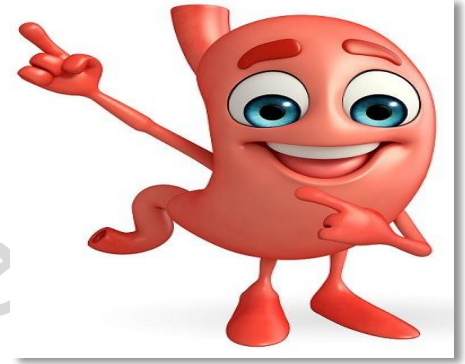
Lysozymes & Thiocyanate ions

Thiocyanate

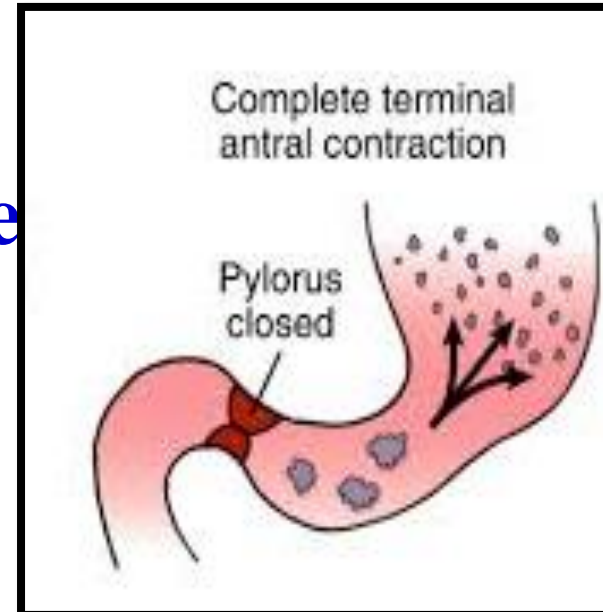


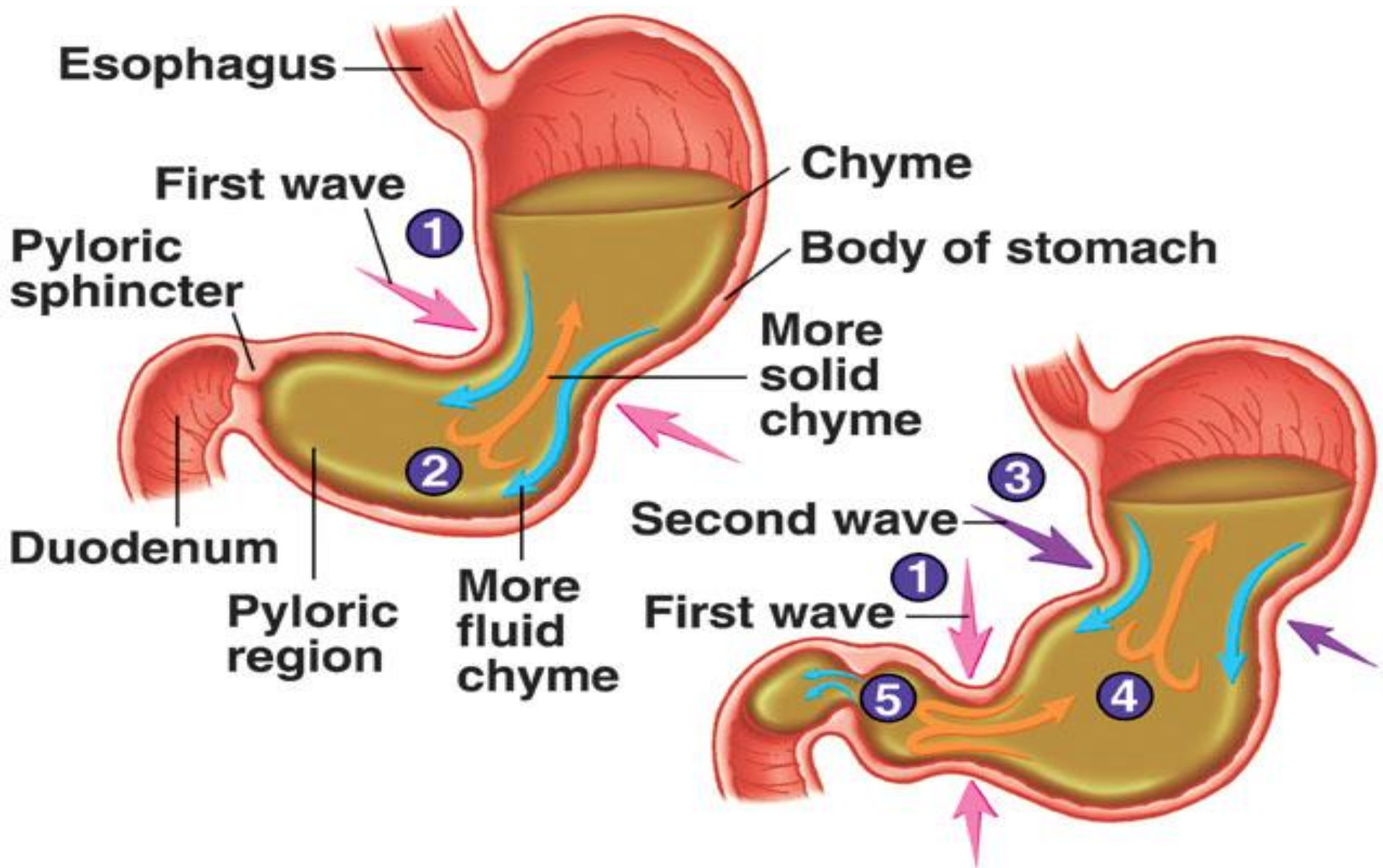
Bactericidal function

Digestion in stomach



- Bolus mixed with gastric juice.
- Remains for 3 -4 hours
- **Peristaltic contractions** of stomach.
- Converts bolus to **semi fluid chyme**





Digestion in stomach is by gastric juice secreted by gastric glands and aided by peristalsis

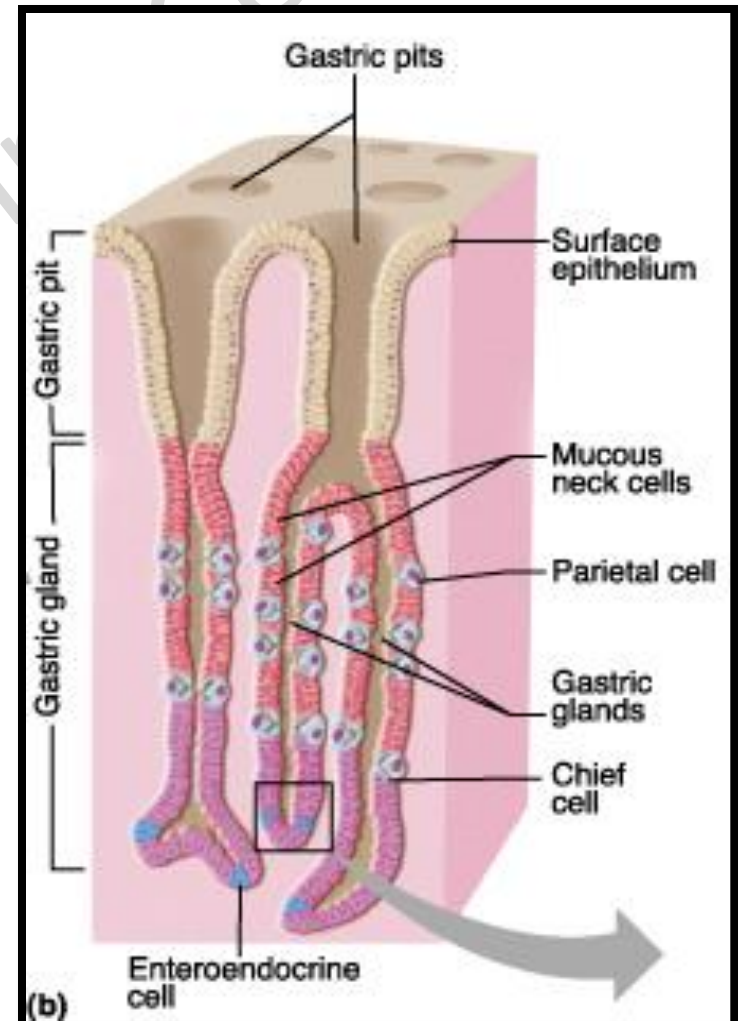
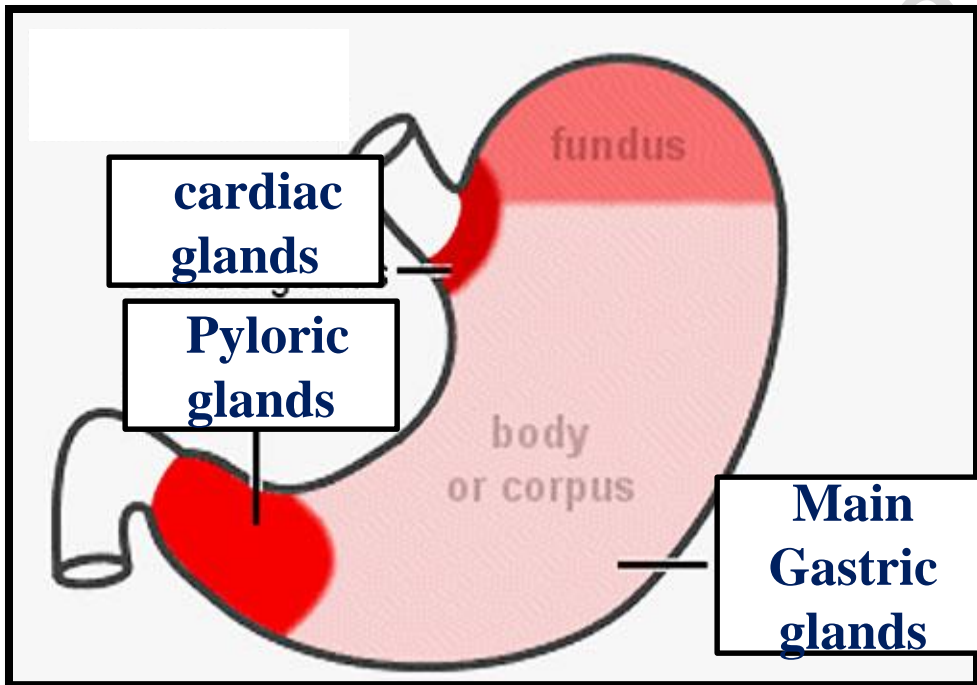
Gastric Mucosa

- Invaginations of gastric mucosa



Gastric Glands

- Types of gastric glands



Cardiac Glands

Main Gastric glands

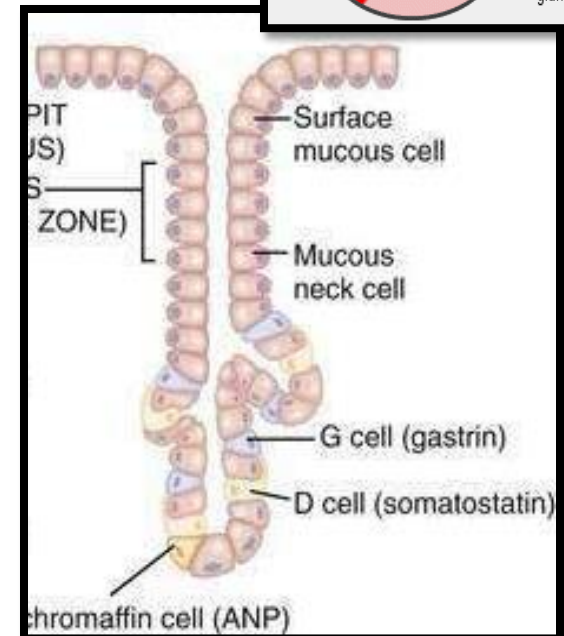
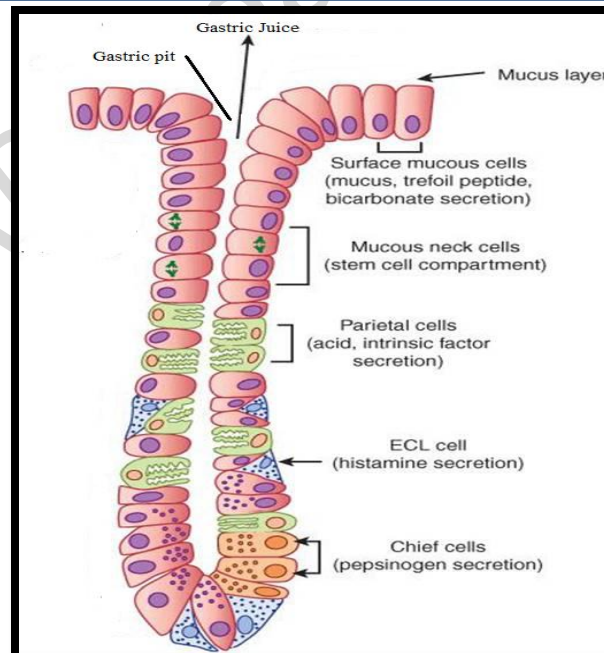
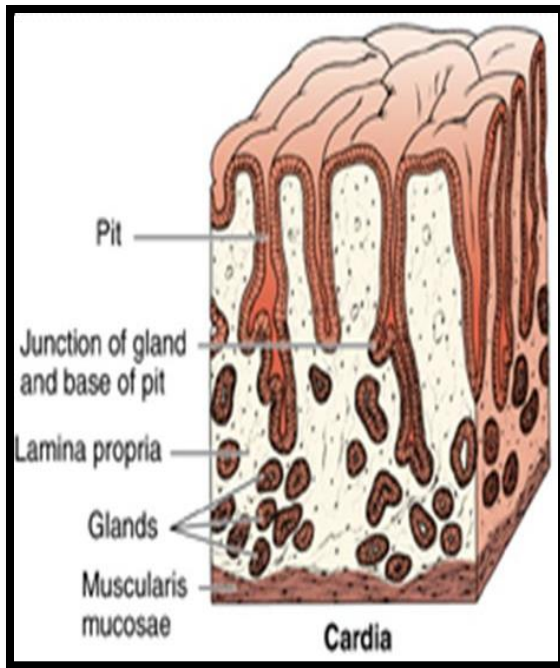
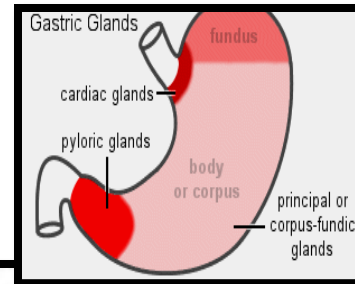
Pyloric glands

Secretes – mucus

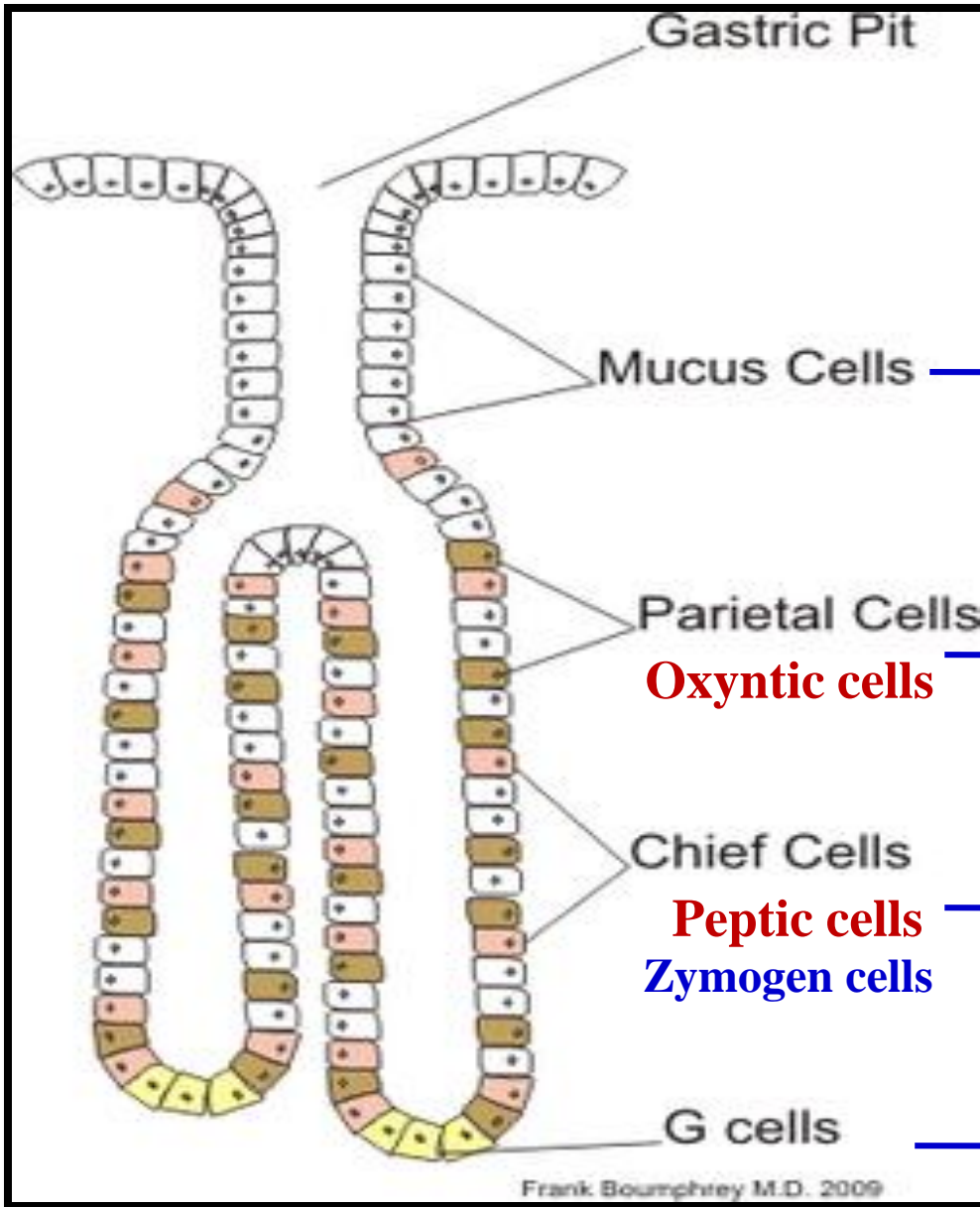
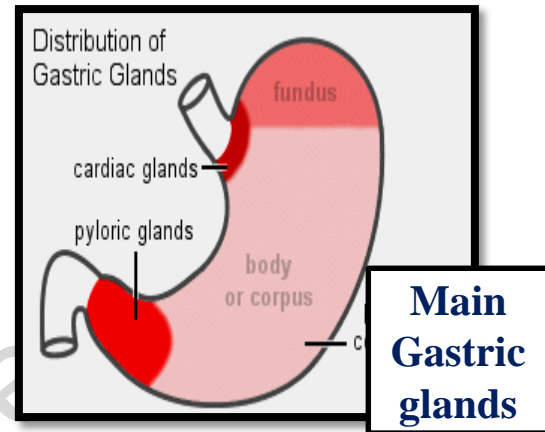
Oxyntic glands

mucus,
Gastrin

Mucus, Hcl, Intrinsic factor of
castle, Pepsinogen, gastric
lipase, histamine



Cells in Main Gastric gland



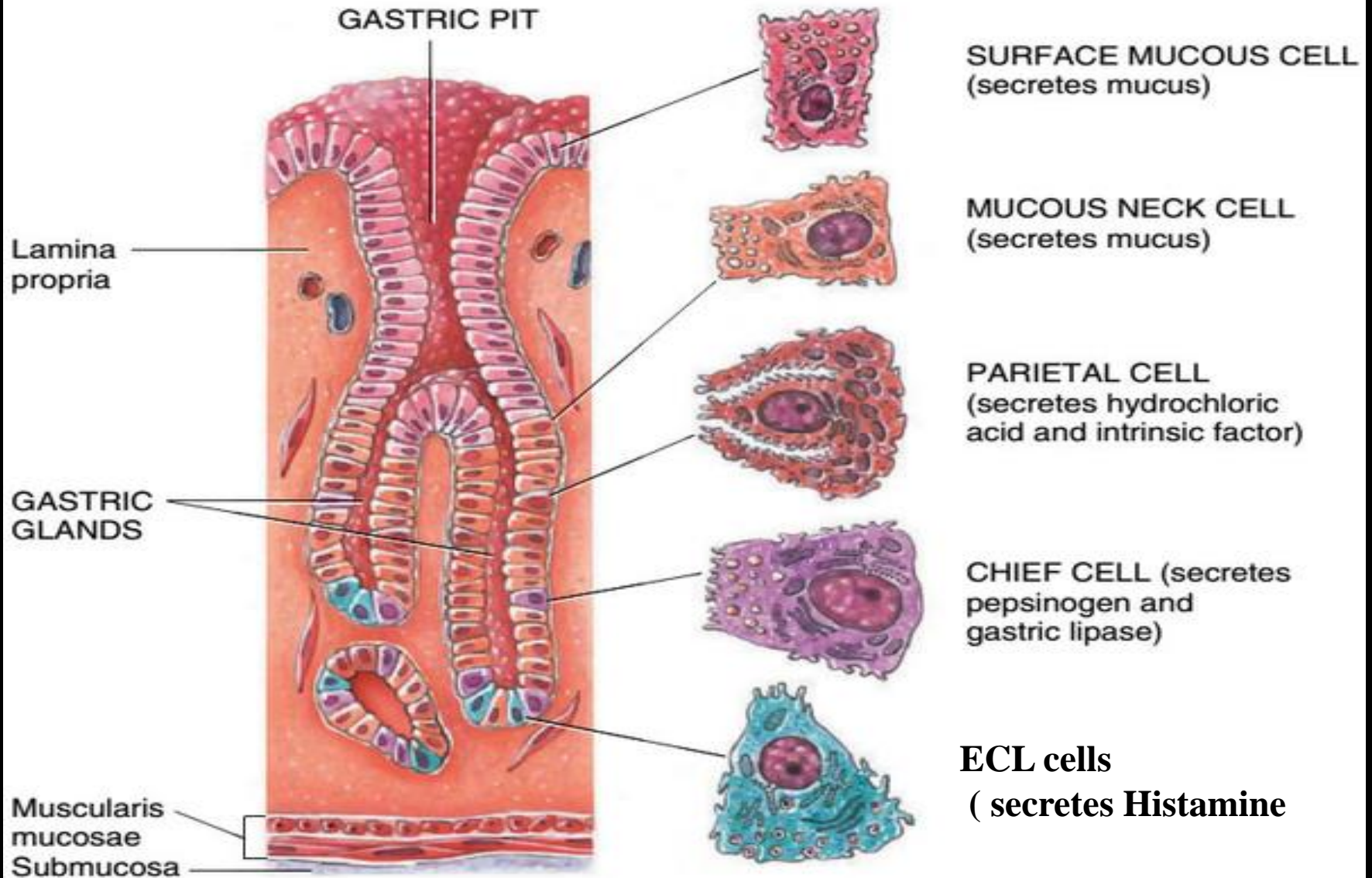
Mucin ,HCO₃⁻

HCl , Intrinsic factor

pepsinogen
proteolytic enzymes
gelatinase

Gastrin hormone

Main Gastric glands



Composition of gastric juice

2 – 3lt /day

Water - 99.55%

Solids- 0.5%

pH: 1- 3.5 (acidic)

**Inorganic substances: Na^+ , Cl^- , K^+ , Mg^+ , H^+ ,
 Hcl , HCO_3^- , So_4^{2-}**



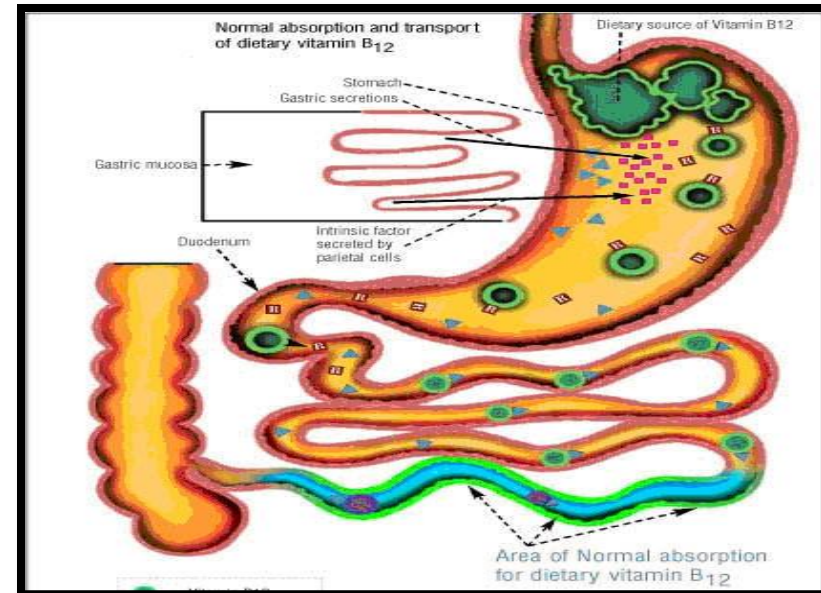
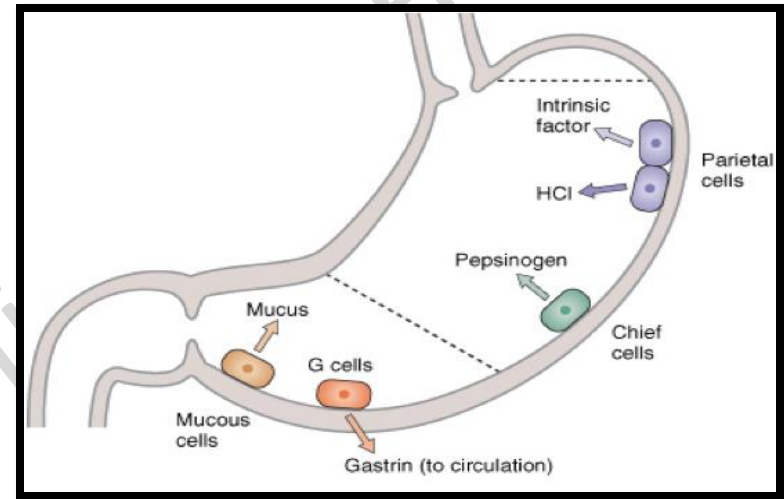
Composition & Functions of gastric juice

Organic substances

- 1. Pepsinogen** $\xrightarrow{\text{HCl activates}}$ **Pepsin**
- 2. Renin/ chymosin** - present in infants and animals (curdles milk)
 \searrow
casein protein $\xrightarrow{\hspace{10em}}$ **calcium paracaseinate**
- 3. Gastric lipase** $\xrightarrow{\hspace{2em}}$ **milk fat tributyrin** $\xrightarrow{\hspace{2em}}$ **fatty acids**
- 4. Gastric amylase** $\xrightarrow{\hspace{10em}}$ **on starch**
- 5. Mucous** – gel like , lubricates food & coats the mucosa.
- 6. Intrinsic factor of castle** $\xrightarrow{\hspace{2em}}$ **Absorption of vit B₁₂**
- 7. Gelatinase** $\xrightarrow{\hspace{2em}}$ **acts on meat proteoglycans**

Intrinsic Factor of Castle

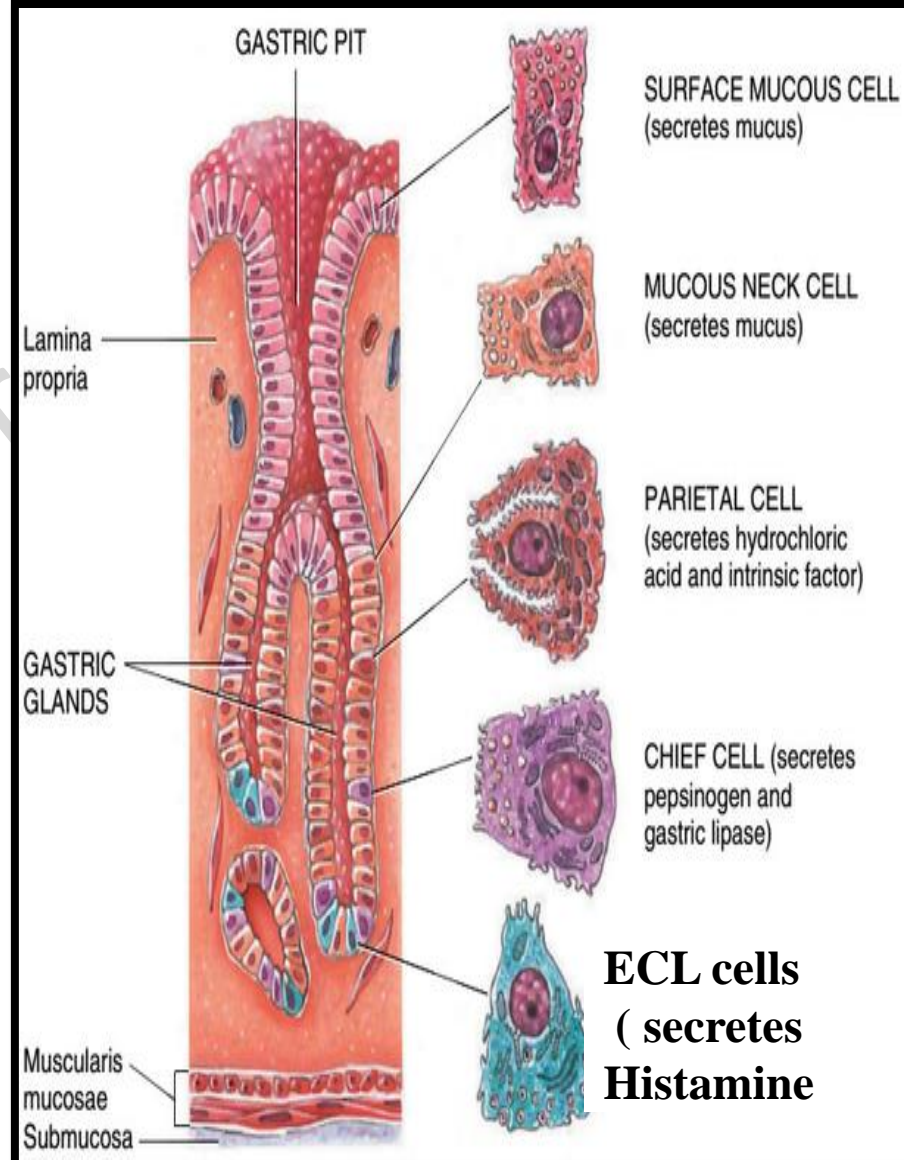
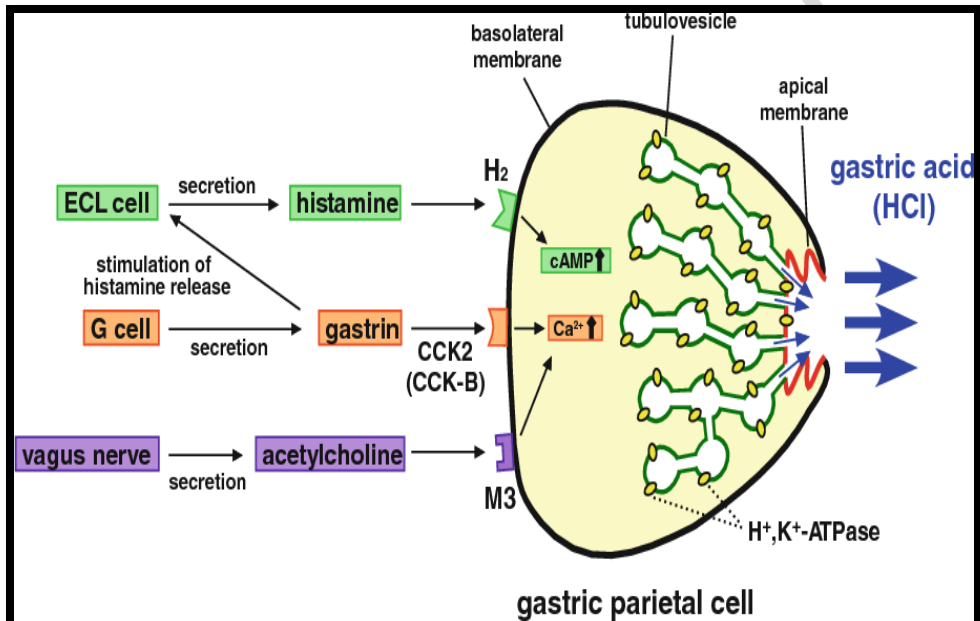
- **Source** : Parietal cells in fundus of stomach.
- **Function**: Absorption of Vit B₁₂ from terminal ileum.
- **Deficiency** : Pernicious anemia



- Enterochromaffin cells
- Secrete Histamine, serotonin

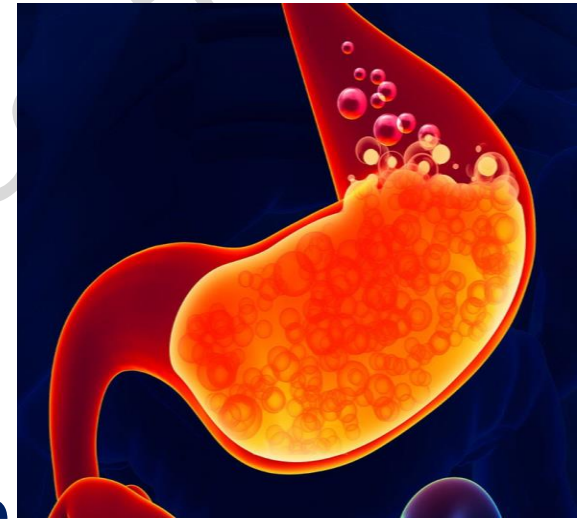


**Stimulates parietal cells
for HCl secretion**

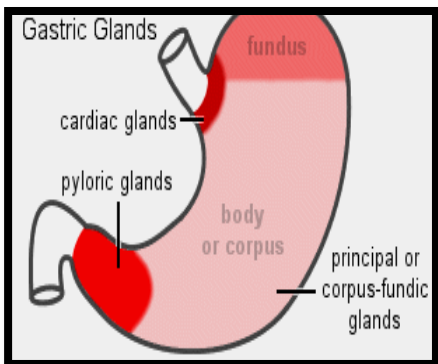


ACTIONS OF HCl

- 1. Bacteriolytic action**
- 2. Activation of Pepsinogen**
- 3. Denaturization of the proteins**
- 4. It causes the acidity of the chyme**
- 5. It provides the acid medium for the action of the enzymes.**
- 6. Iron released from the organic compounds are converted from Ferric to ferrous form.**



Hormones secreted by Gastric glands



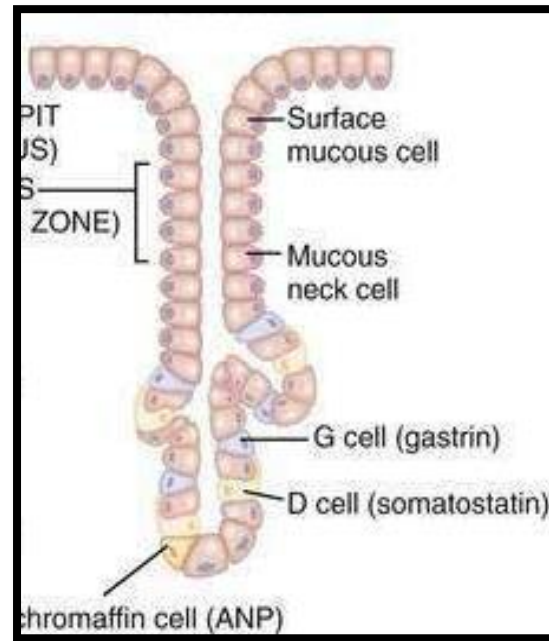
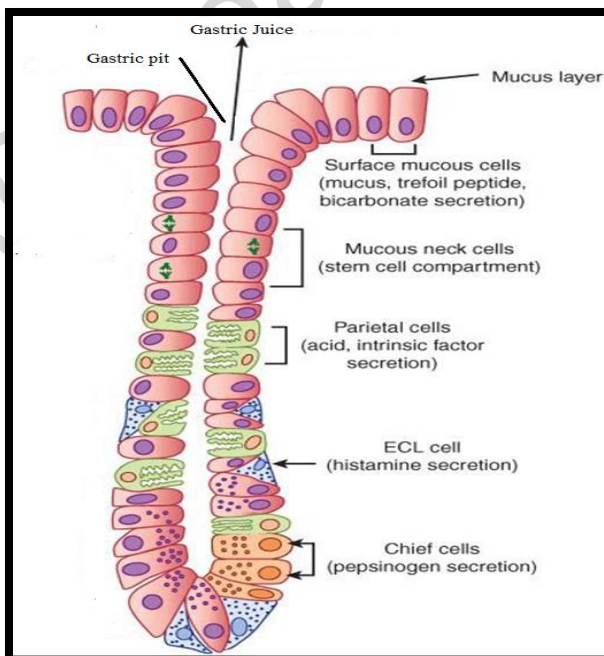
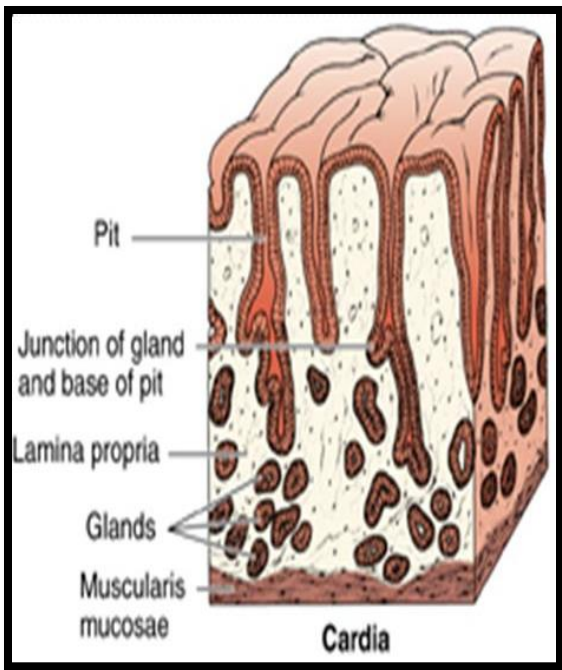
Main Gastric glands
Oxyntic glands

Pyloric
glands

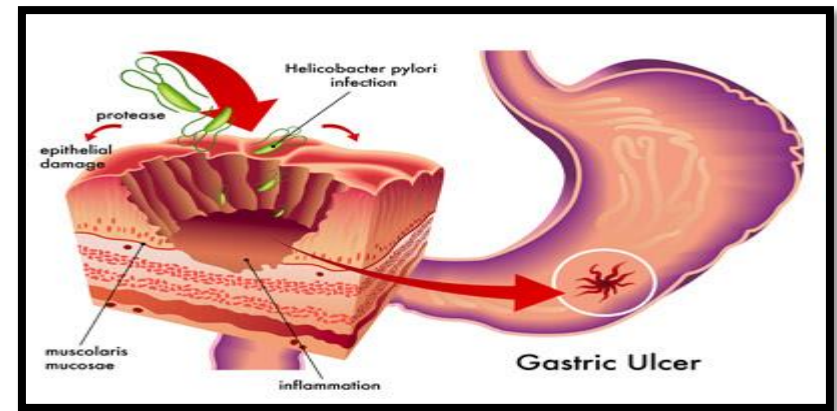
Cardiac Glands

histamine
&
serotonin

G cells –Gastrin
D cells - Somatostatin



Peptic Ulcer



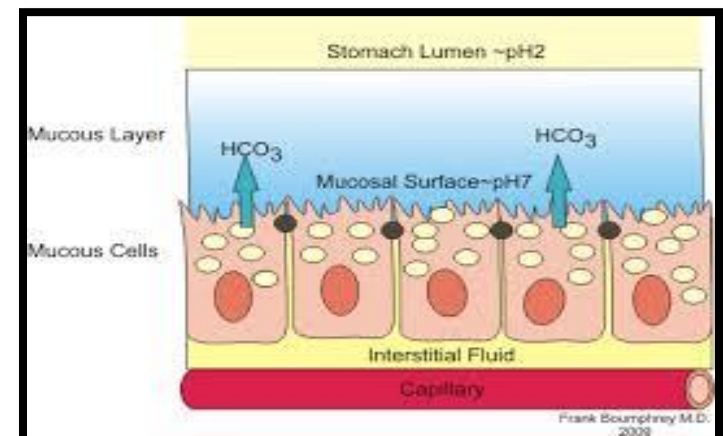
- **Definition :**

- Breakdown of mucosal- epithelium of stomach/ duodenum due to digestive action of gastric juice.

- **Cause :**

- 1) Reduced ability of mucosal barrier to produce enough mucus & bicarbonate ions to prevent irritation by gastric secretion.

- 2) Hyper secretion of gastric acid



- **Absence of Hcl secretion – Achlorhydria**
- Gastric juice does not have **carbohydrate digesting enzymes**

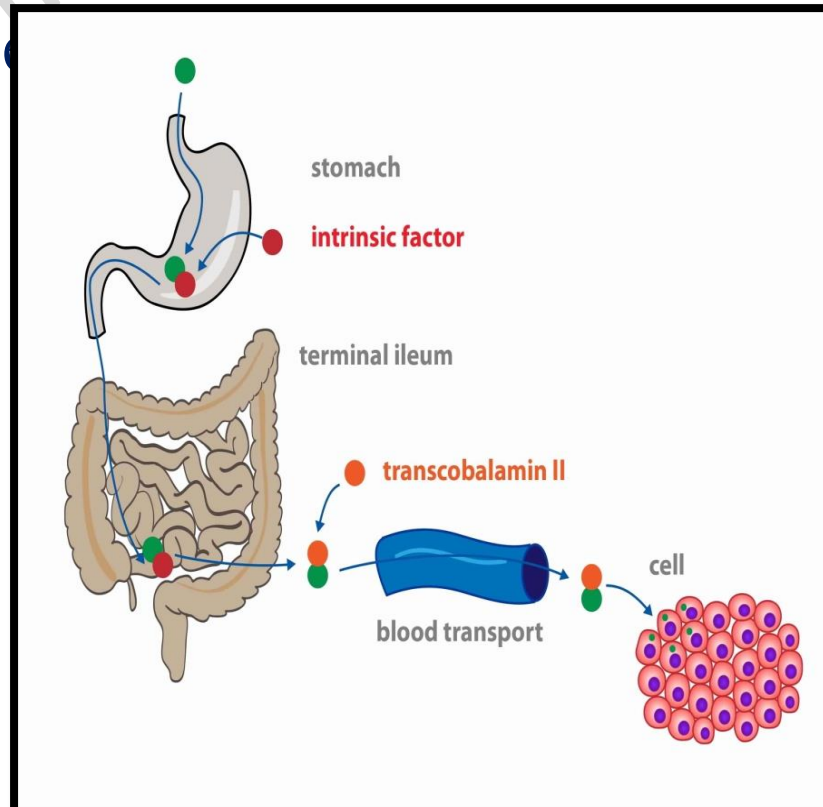
- Oxyntic cells of gastric glands



Intrinsic Factor of castle



For vit B₁₂ absorption in ileum



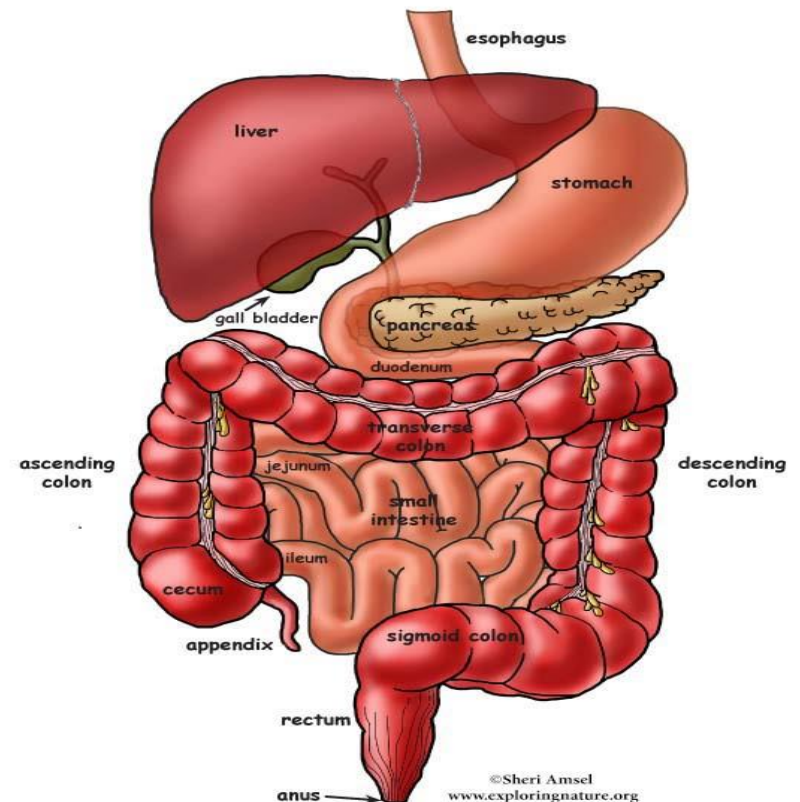
Digestion in Intestine

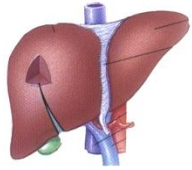
- Chyme is mixed with 3 digestive juices

1) Bile juice

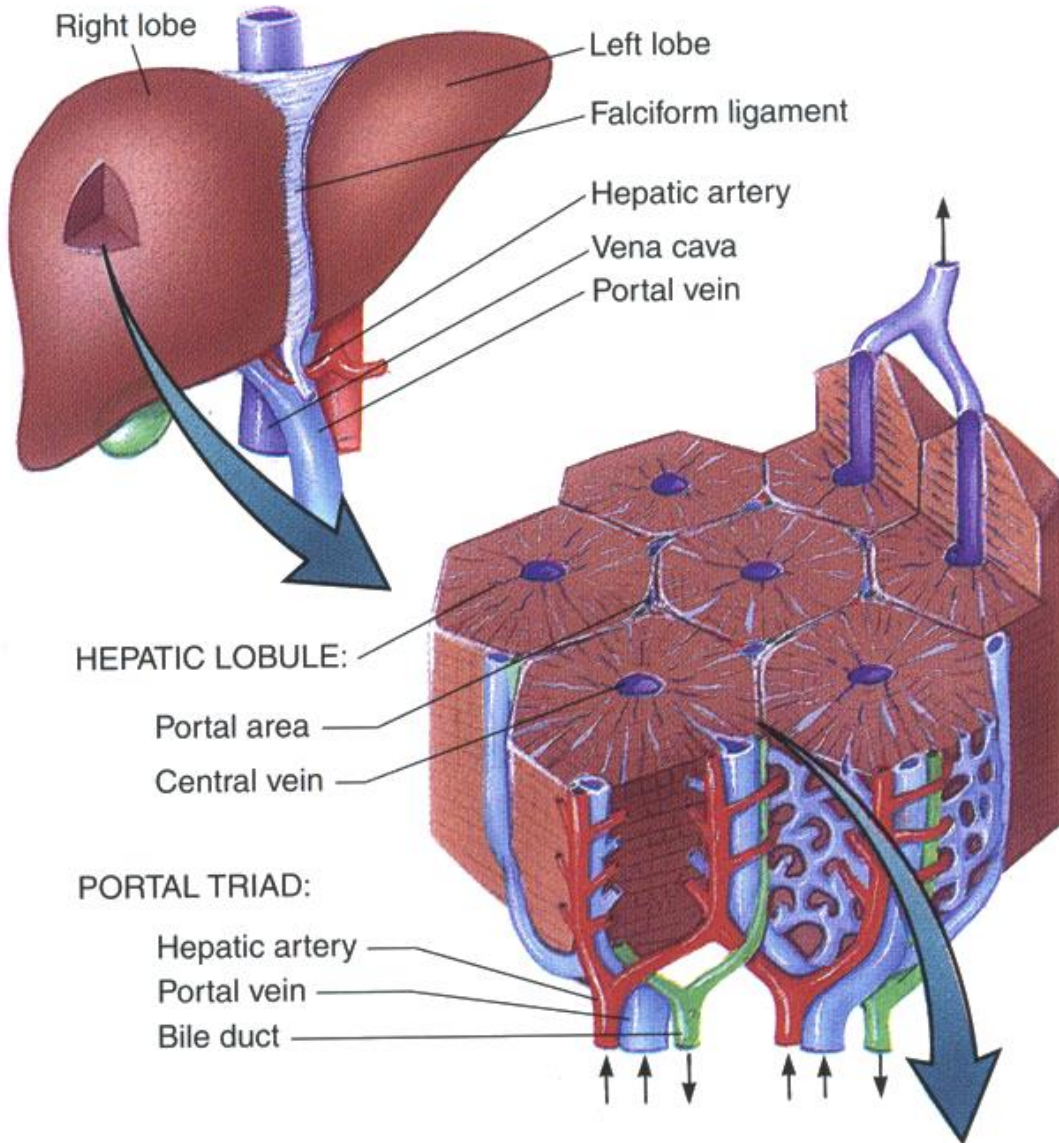
2) Pancreatic juice

3) Succus Entericus





LIVER



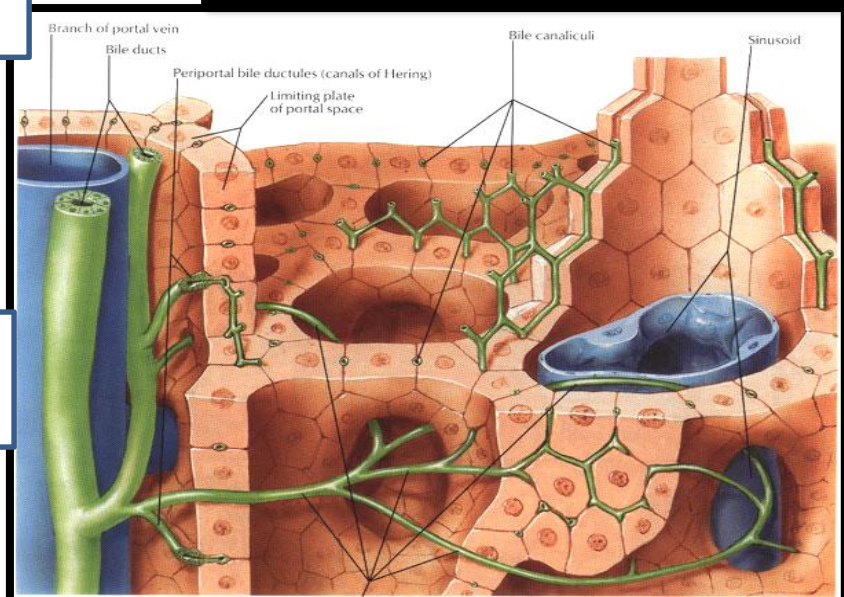
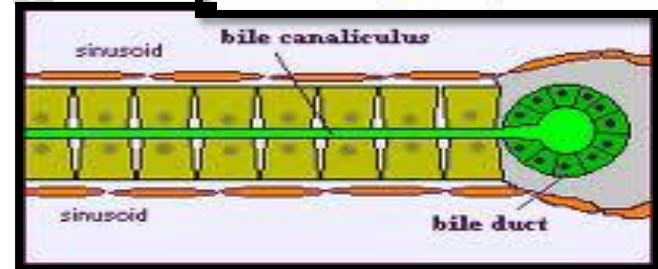
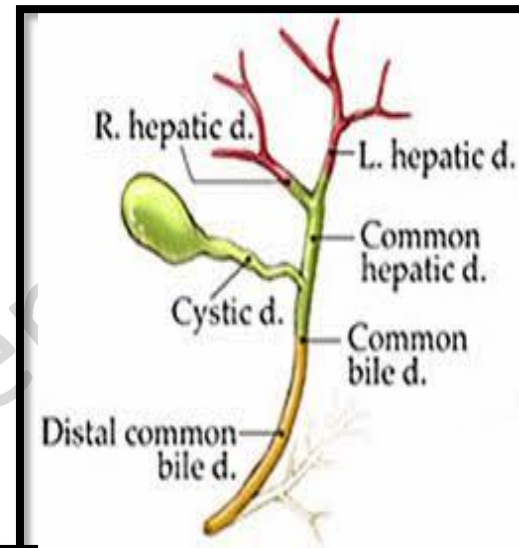
- Largest gland in the body
- Liver tissue is divided into hexagon shaped lobules separated by connective tissue septa
- Function: Bile synthesis



Choleresis

Bile

- A digestive juice secreted by hepatocytes.
- Drained in to bile canaliculi.



Inter Lobular ducts

Rt & Lt hepatic ducts

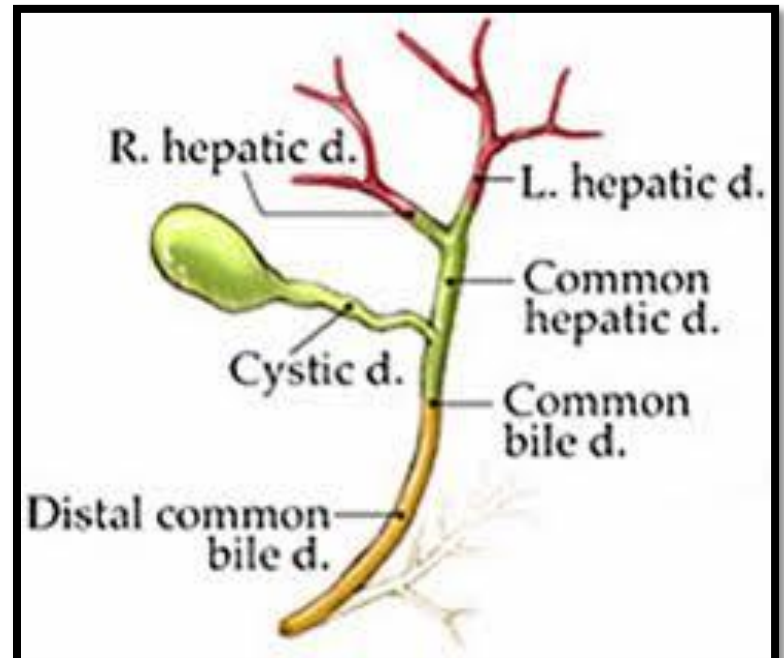
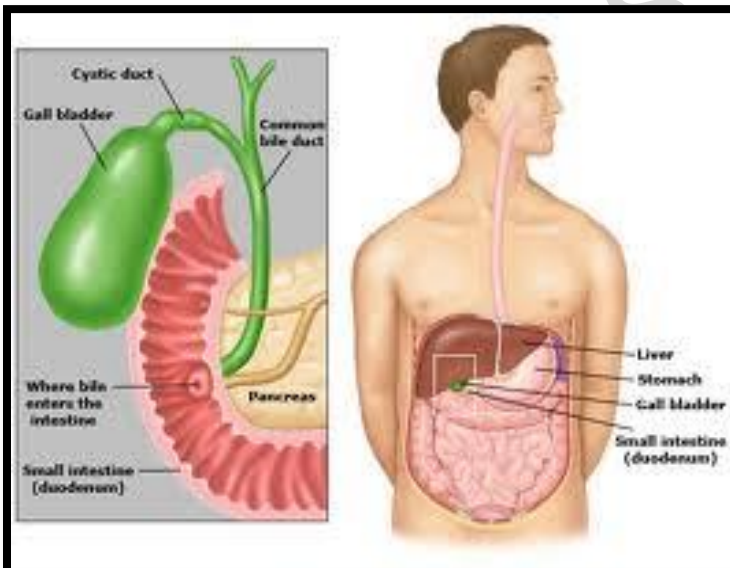
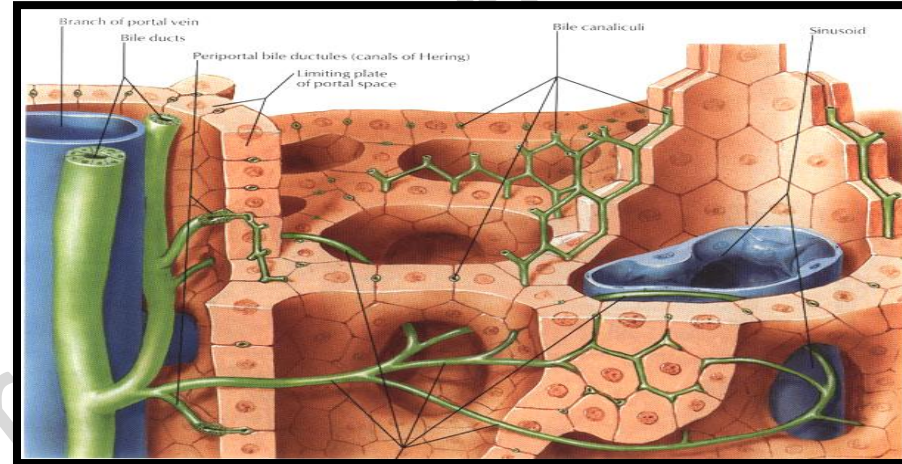
Common Hepatic duct

cystic duct

Common bile duct

Bile Juice

- Secreted by **Hepatocytes**.
- Drained via hepatic duct to **Gall bladder**.
- When chyme enters duodenum **bile is released** from gall bladder

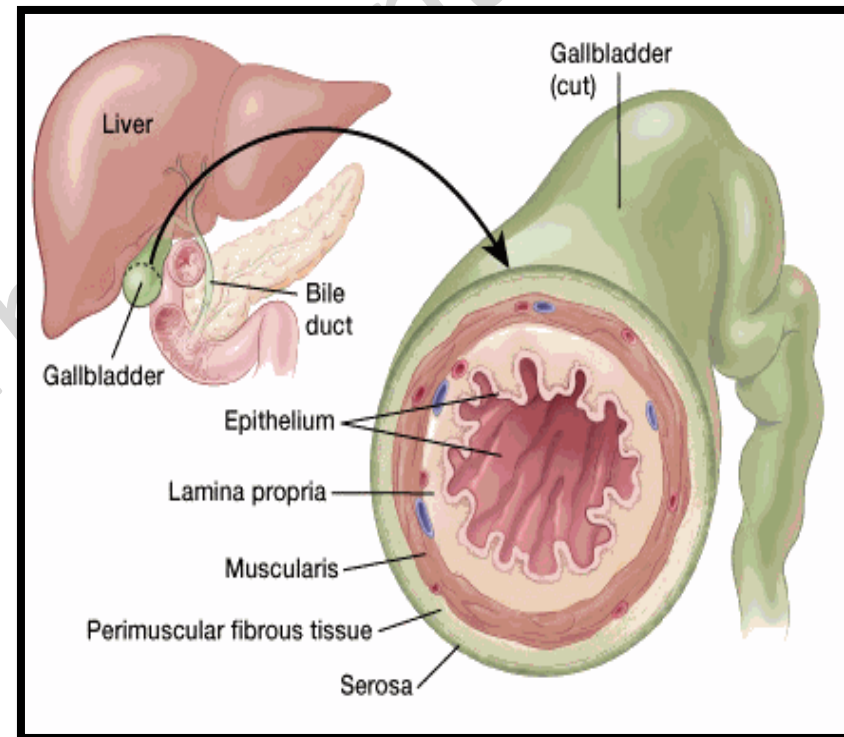


GALL BLADDER

- Pear shaped dilated sac.
- Capacity – 50 – 60 ml

FUNCTIONS

- storage & concentration of bile in interdigestive phase.
- Mucosa absorbs water, NaCl, HCO_3^-
- Reduces Bile ph. [8.6 \rightarrow 7.6]
- Mucosa secretes mucin to lubricate chyme.
- Organic constituents 5-6 times concentrated
- Makes bile thick, viscous & dark colored.



BILE

- Colour : golden yellow
- Volume : 600 – 1000ml/day
- Ph : 7.8 – 8.6 (alkaline)
- 92% water,
- Composition :

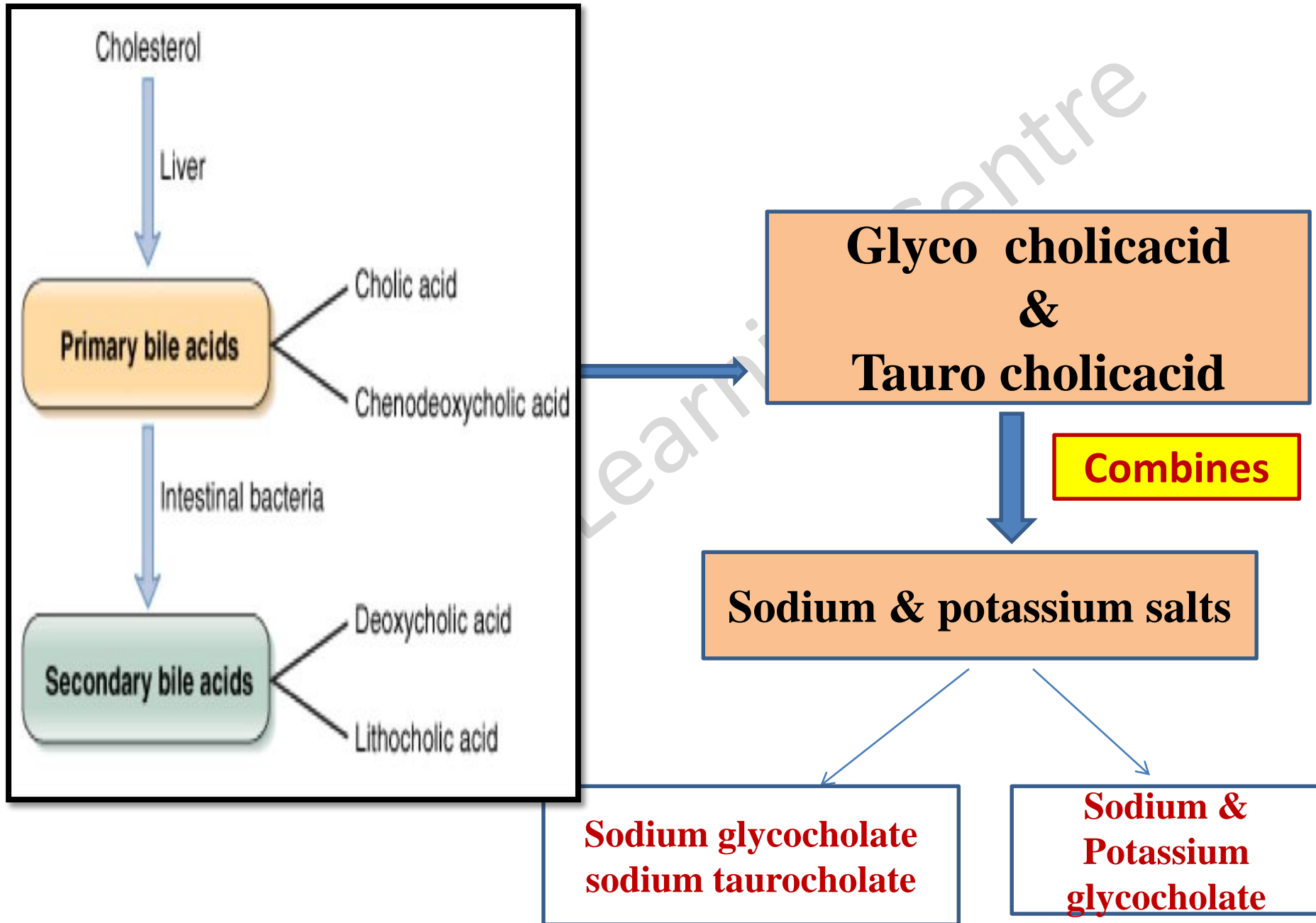
Organic

- Bile salts – 6%
- Bile pigments- 0.3 %
- Cholesterol- 0.9 %
- fatty acids – 0.3%
- Lecithin – 0.3 %

In organic

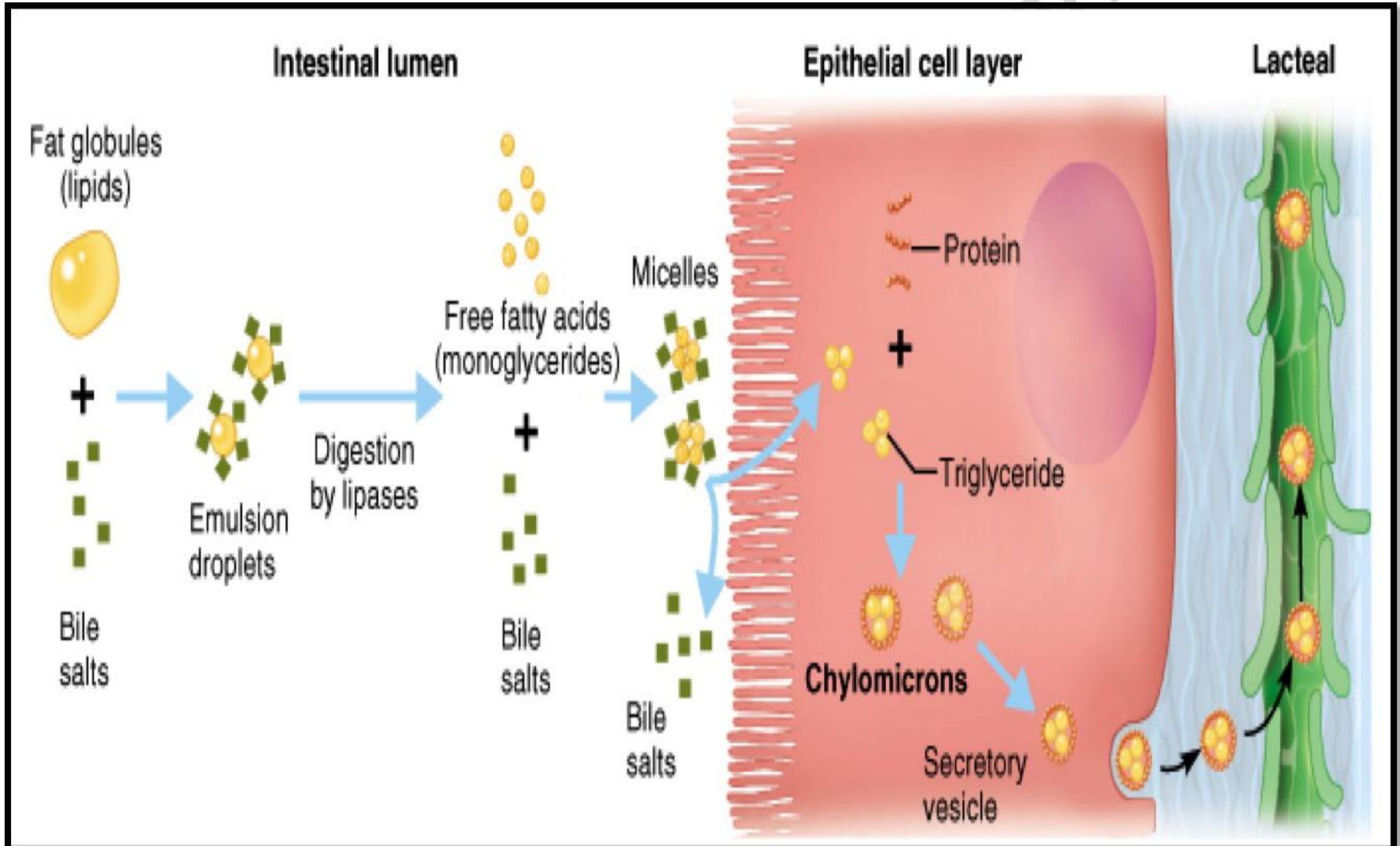
- Electrolyte
(Na^+ , Cl^- , HCO_3^- , Ca^{2+})
- Water





Functions of bile acids

Bile Acids , Lecithin helps in digestion & absorption of fats

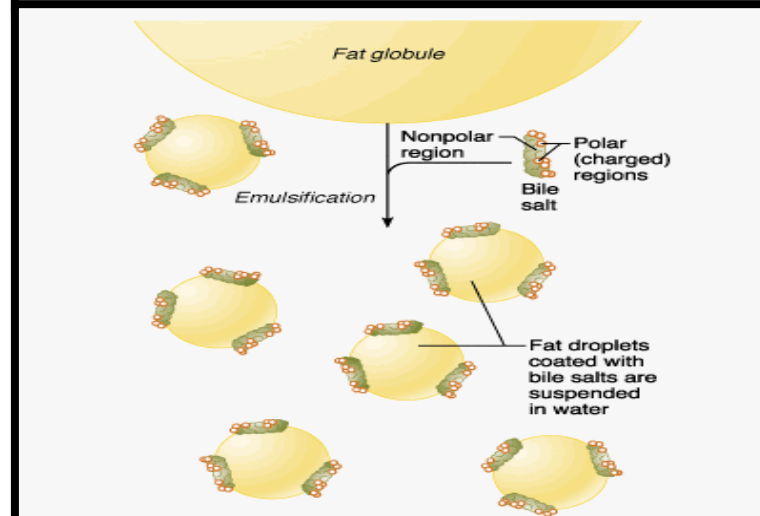
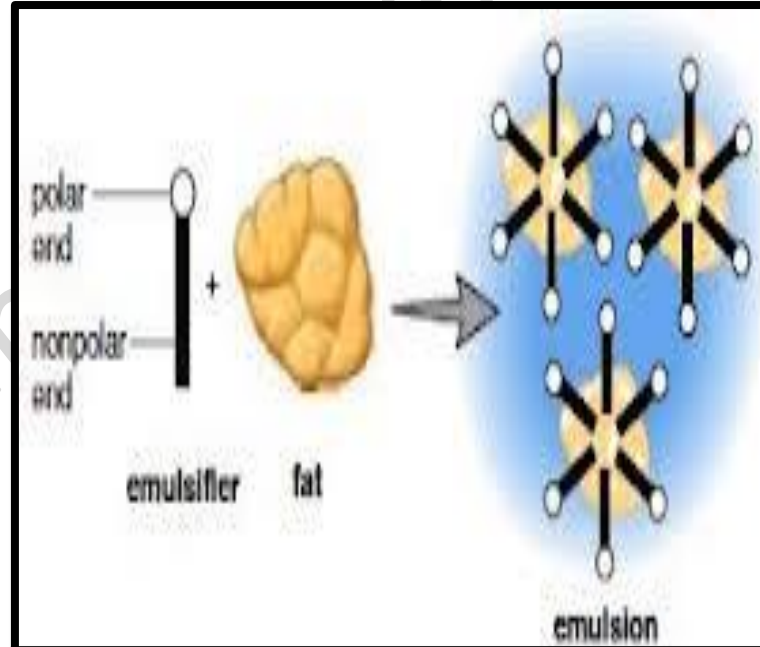


Digestion of Fats

- Bile salts surrounds fat
- Reduce the surface tension of fats.
- **detergent action of bile salts breaks large fat molecule to smaller droplets.**

Emulsification

- Thus increases the surface area for the action of intestinal lipolytic enzymes



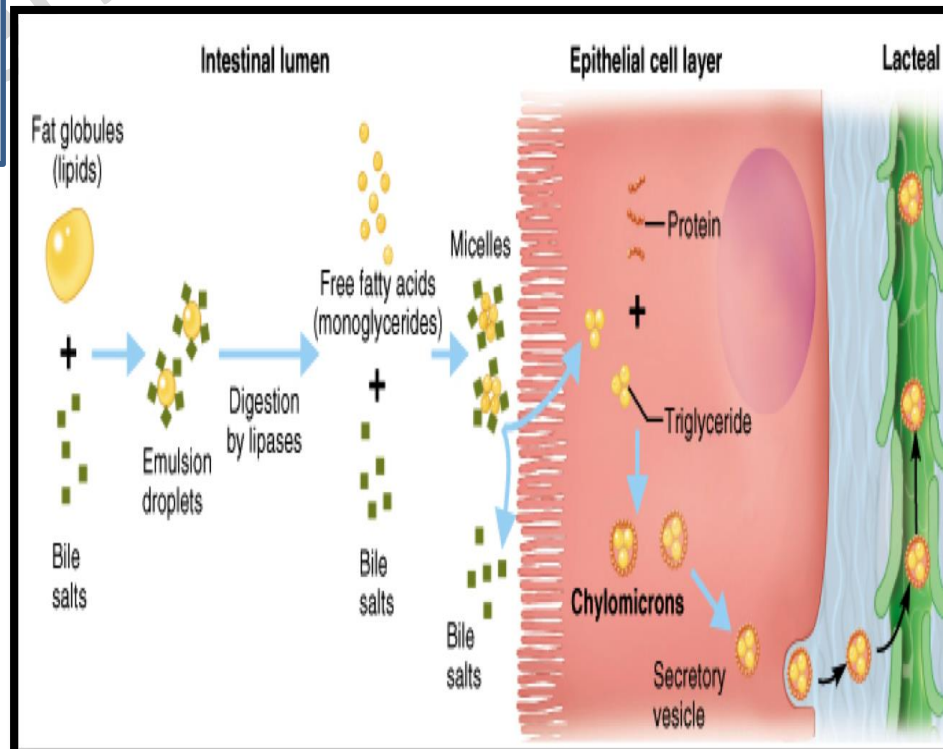
Emulsified fat

**Intestinal
Lipases**

Fatty acids + monoglycerides

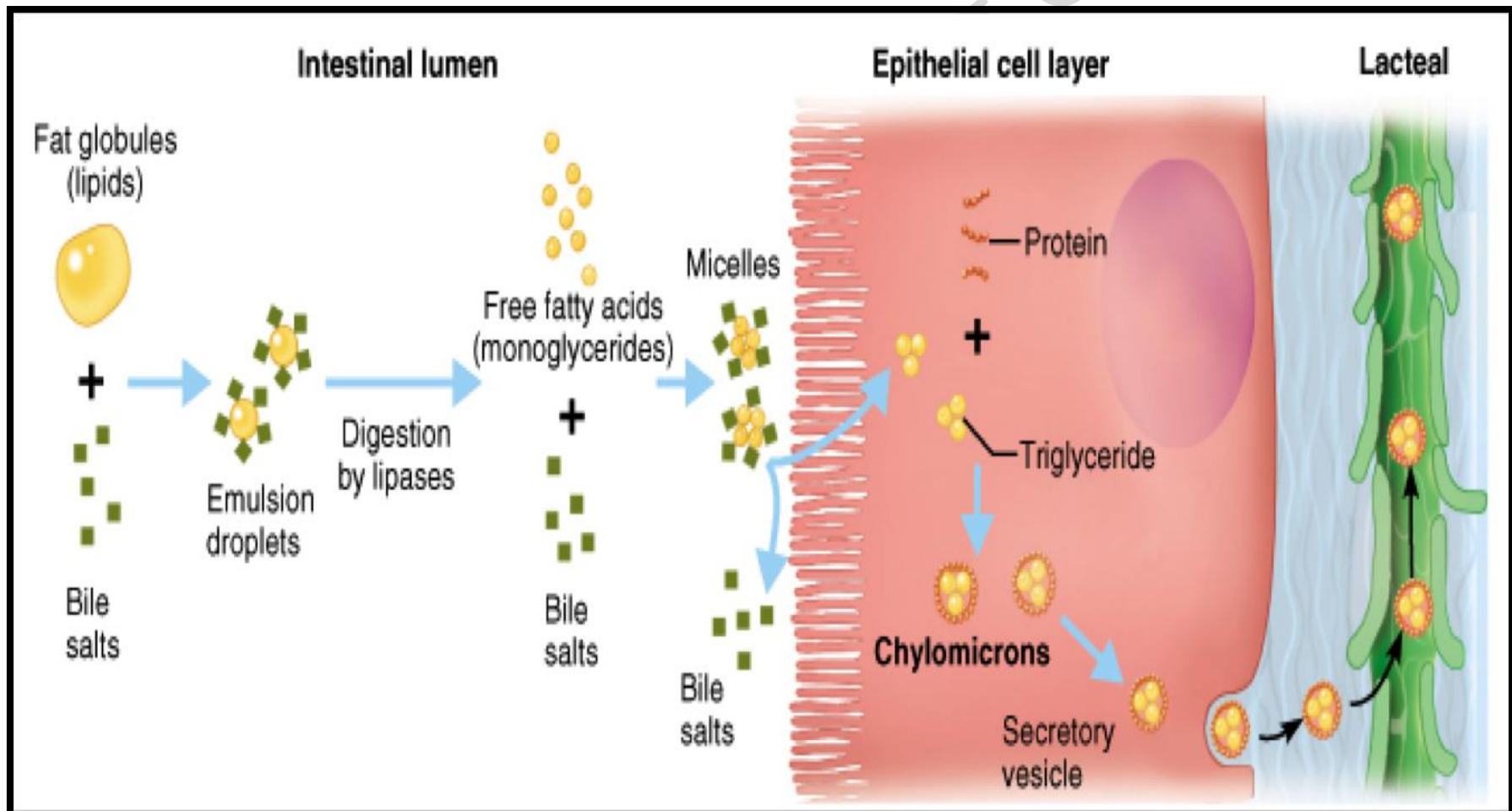
Includes lipases

- from pancreatic juice
- from intestinal juice

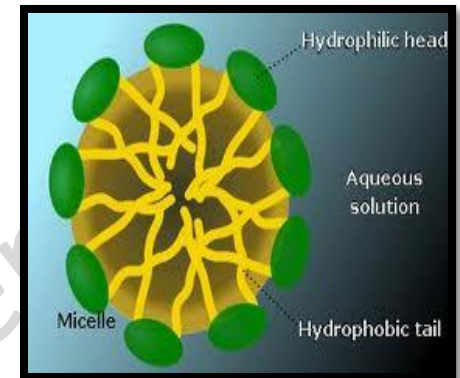


Intestinal fat absorption

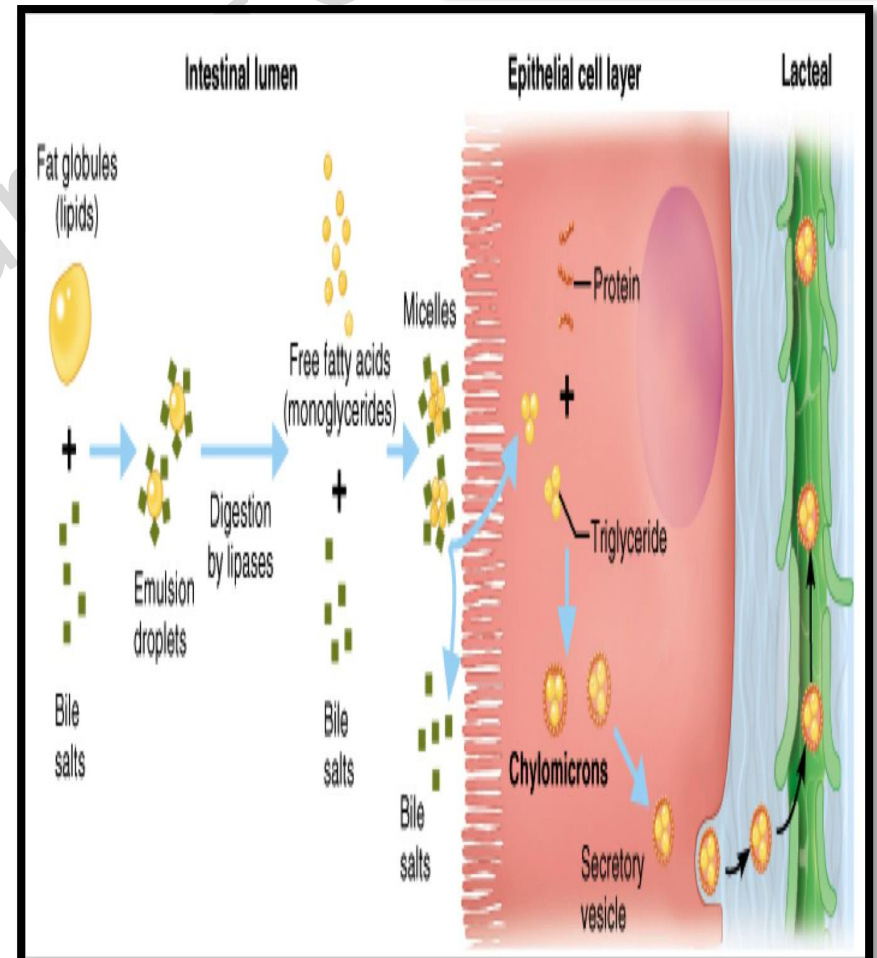
- **By forming Micelles**



Intestinal fat absorption



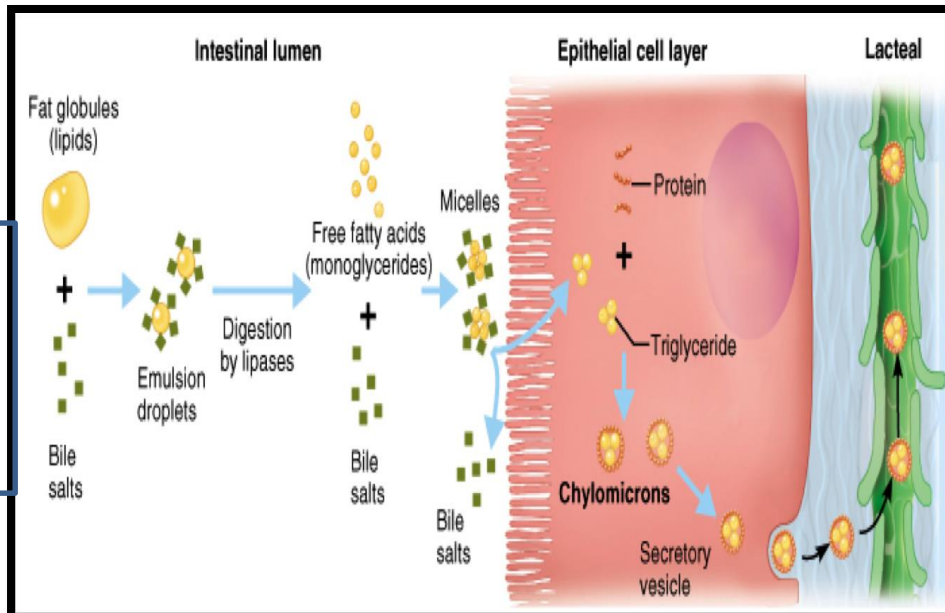
- By forming Micelles
- They are spherical globules
- 3-6 nm in diameter
- Formed by 20 – 40 bile salts .
- Hydrophobic – combines with fat
- Hydrophilic projecting outward
- Monoglycerides & fatty acids in its core .



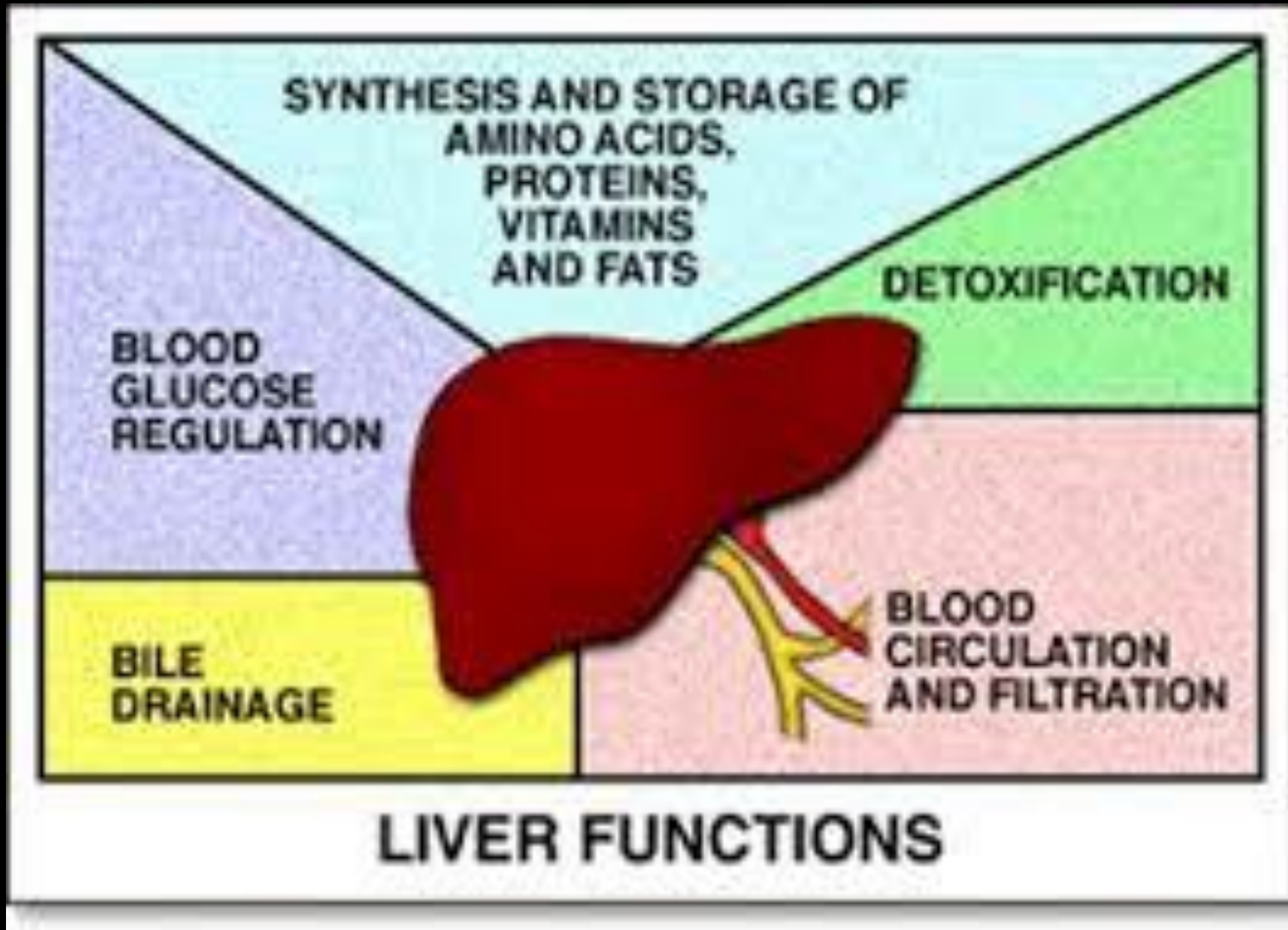
Fat Absorption

- When Micelle contacts intestinal epithelial cell membrane.
- Fat digestion products & fat soluble vitamins diffuse into the cell.
- Bile salts of micelle remains in intestine
- **Later gets absorbed into portal blood from ileum**

Bile salts helps in absorption of fat soluble vitamins like A,D,E,K

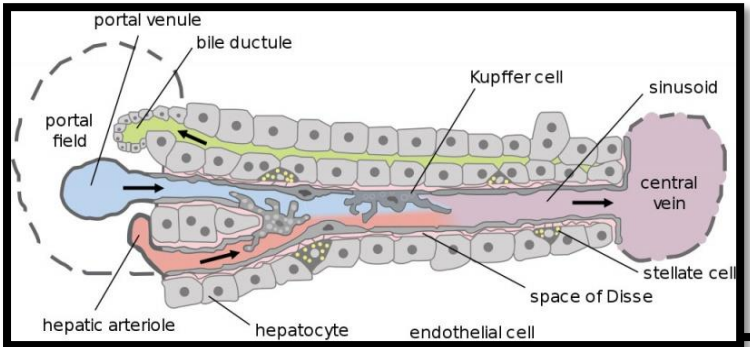


LIVER FUNCTIONS



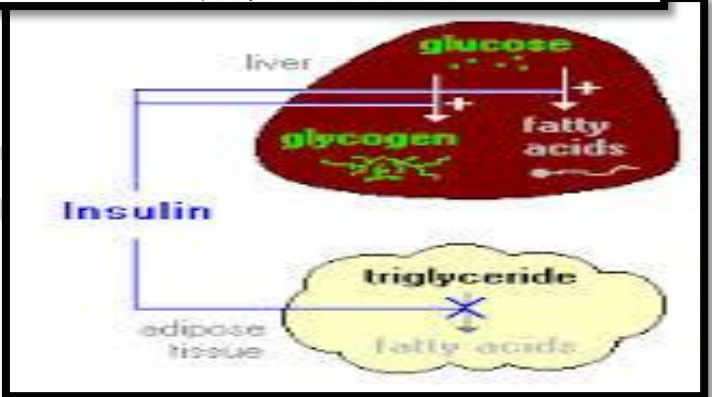
1. Secretory Function :

Bile → fat digestion & absorption



2. Metabolism

- glycogenesis, gluconeogenesis, glycogenolysis, lipoprotein synthesis.



3. Detoxification

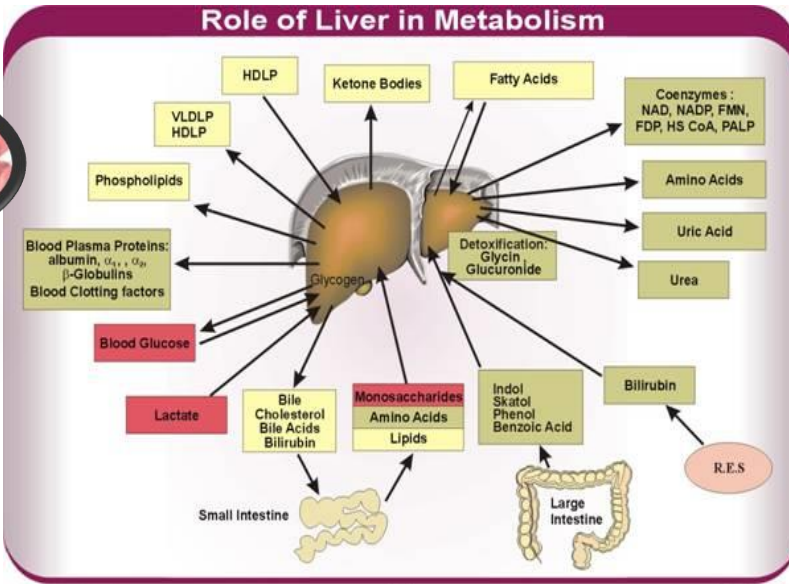
- Kupffer cells removes bacteria
- Detoxifies drugs & excretes through bile



4. Storage & synthesis

Storage - Glucose, vit A,D,E,K, vit B12, iron, copper, molybdenum

Synthesis – Heparin, vit A

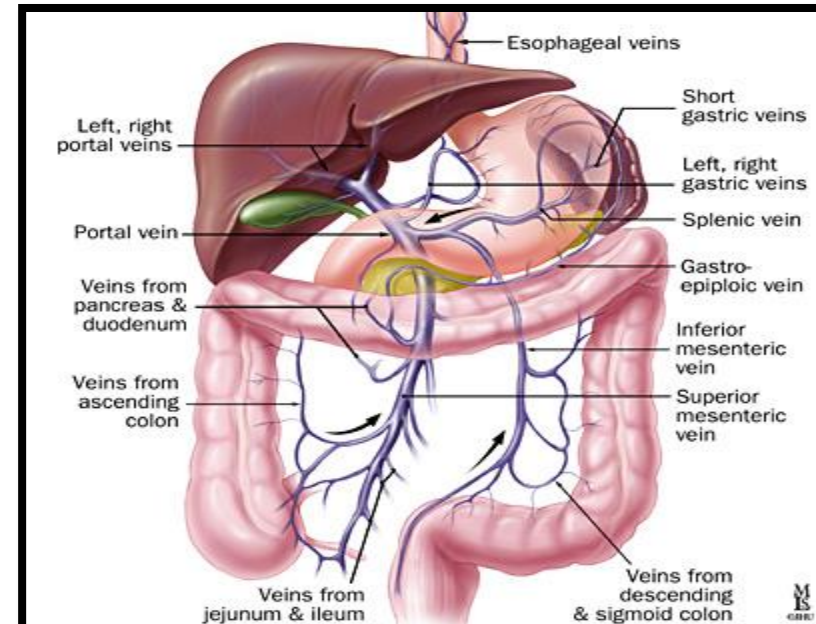
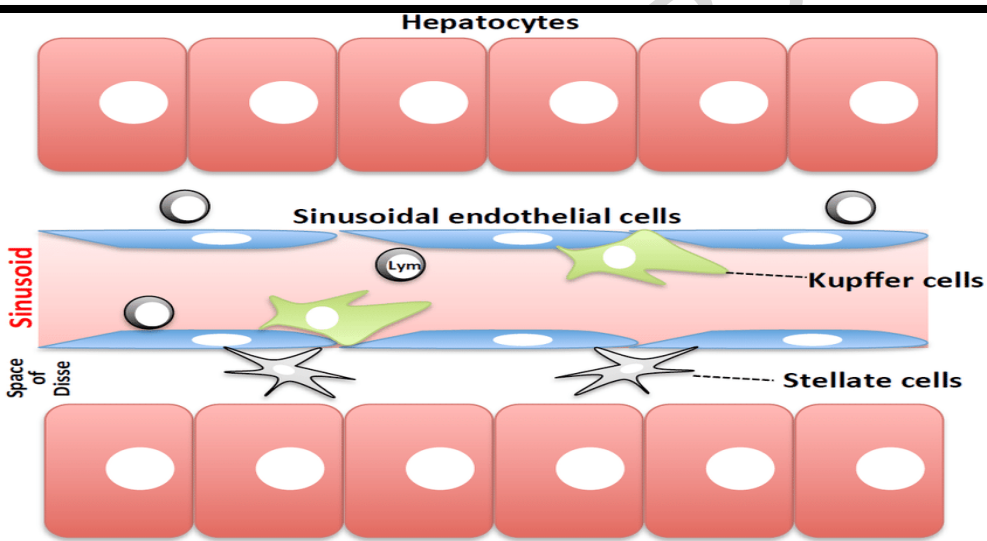
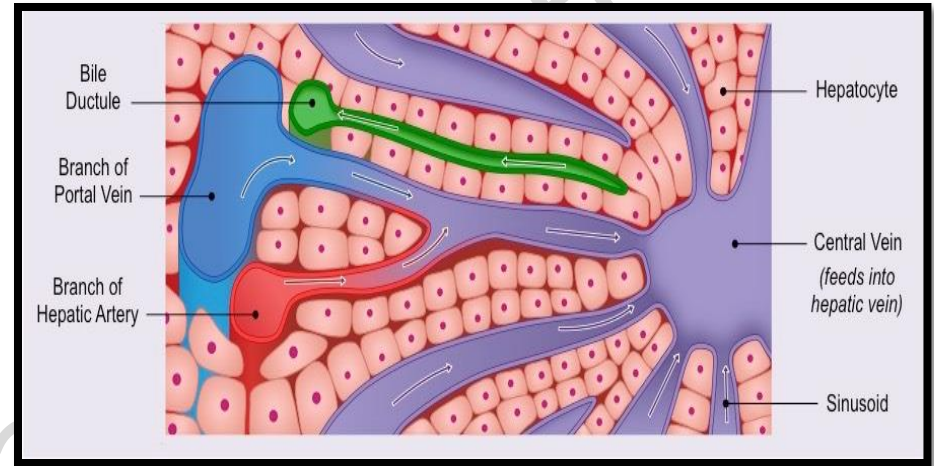


• Liver sinusoids – **Kupffer cells**

**Ingested pathogens
in intestine**

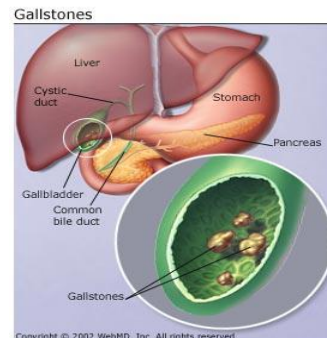
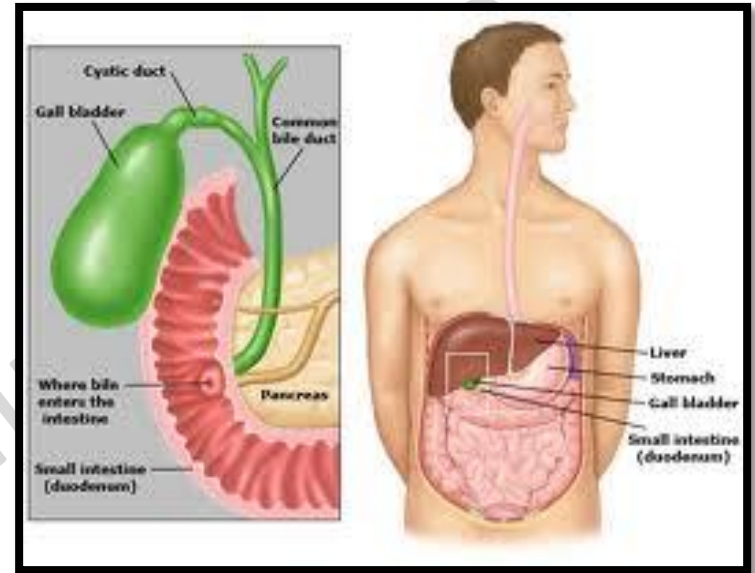
**Reaches liver via
portal vein**

**Destroyed by
Kupffer cells**



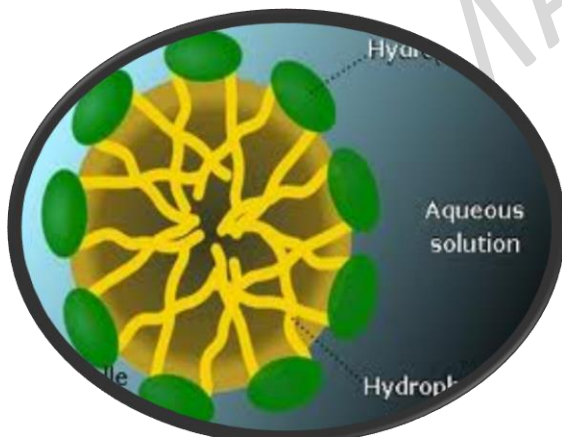
Gall Bladder

- Pear shaped structure
- Inferior surface of liver
- Storage and concentration of bile.
- **Gall stone** :
 - cholesterol, calcium carbonate
 - bilirubin
- **Treatment** – Lithotripsy
 - cholecystectomy



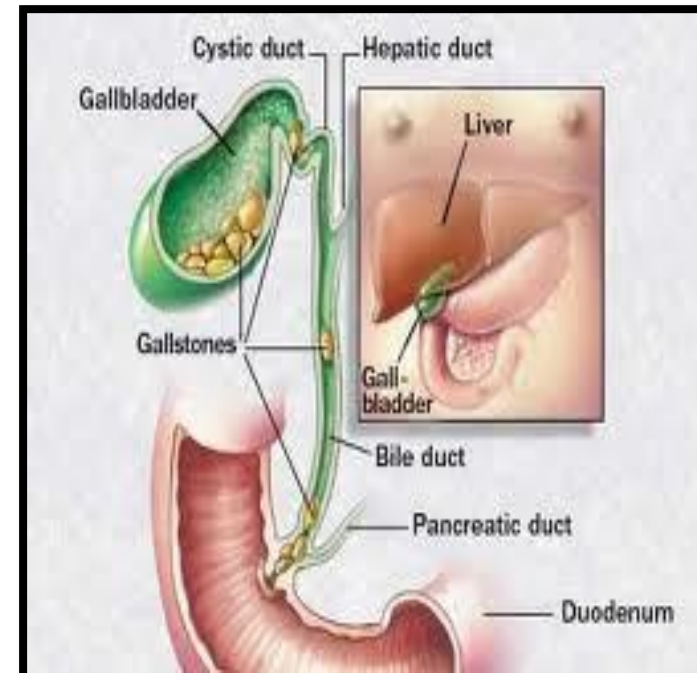
GALL STONES

- Cholelithiasis/ cholecystolithiasis
- **Cause** : Precipitation of Cholesterol in bile
- cholesterol : bile salts - 1: 20
- When ratio < 1:13

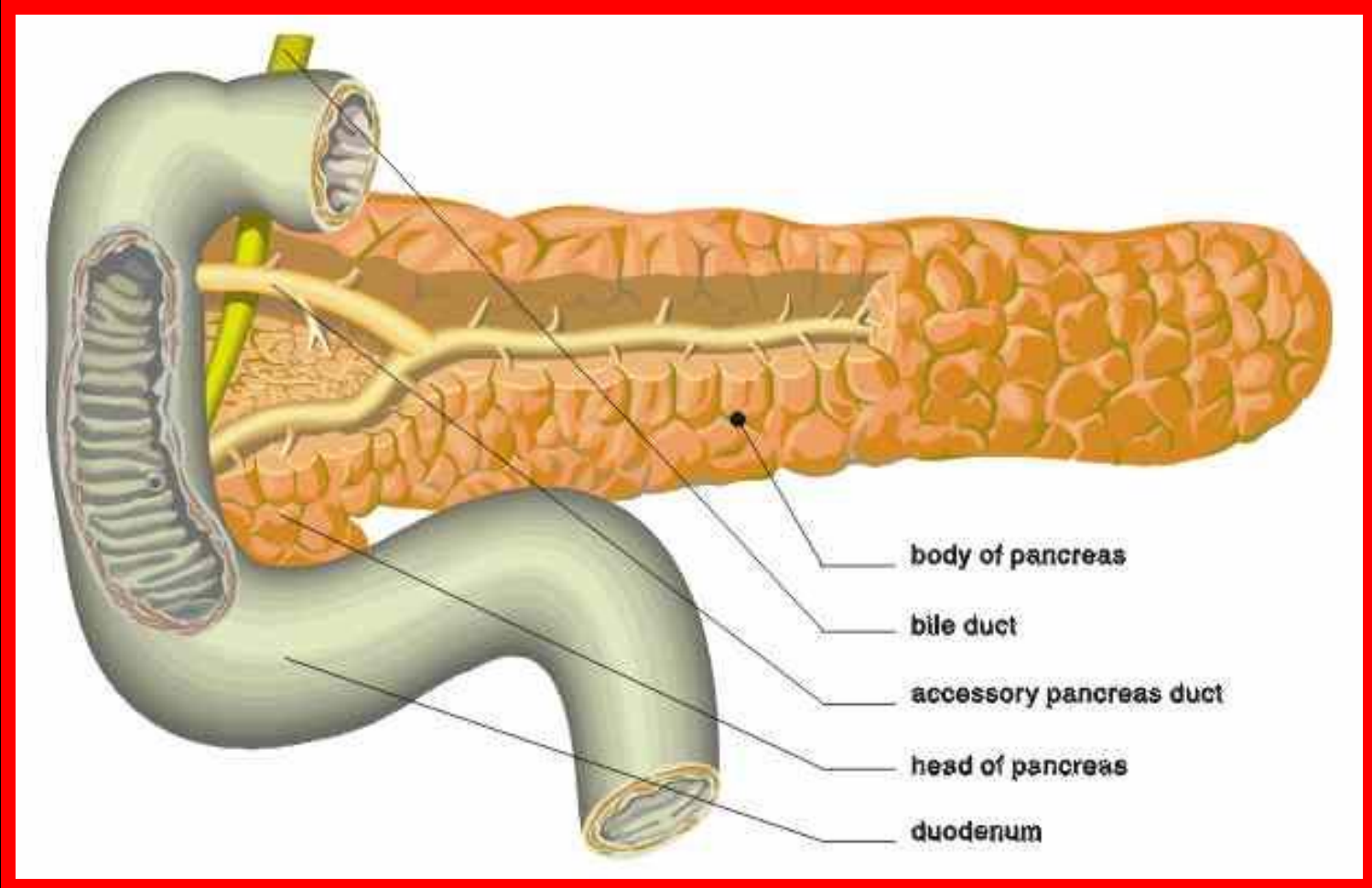


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Cholesterol precipitates forming stones

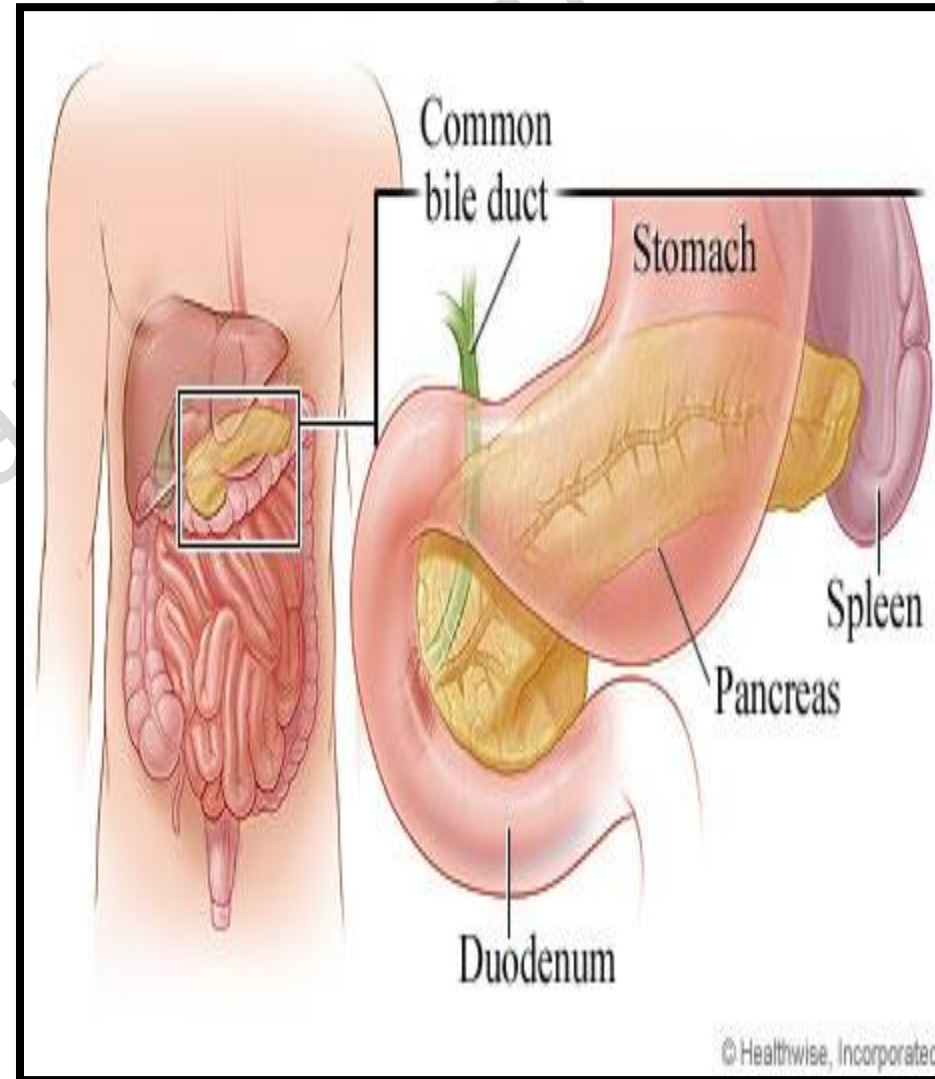
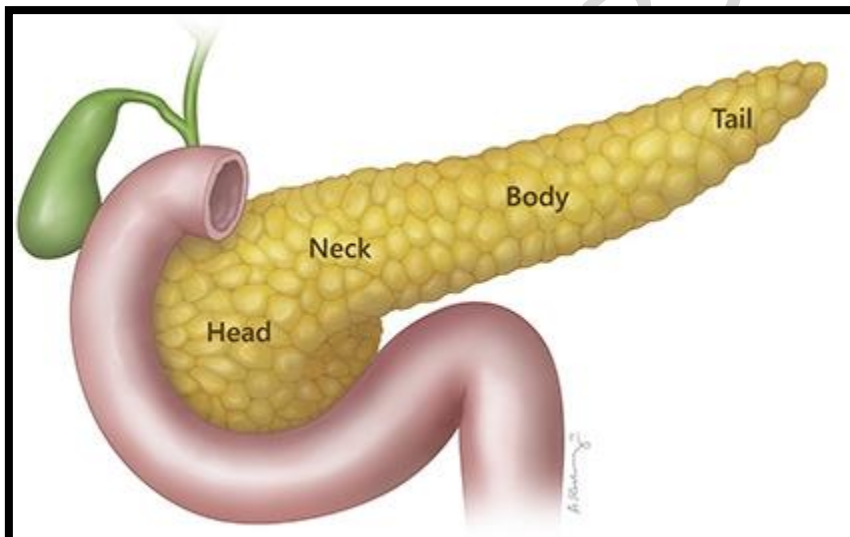


Pancreatic Juice



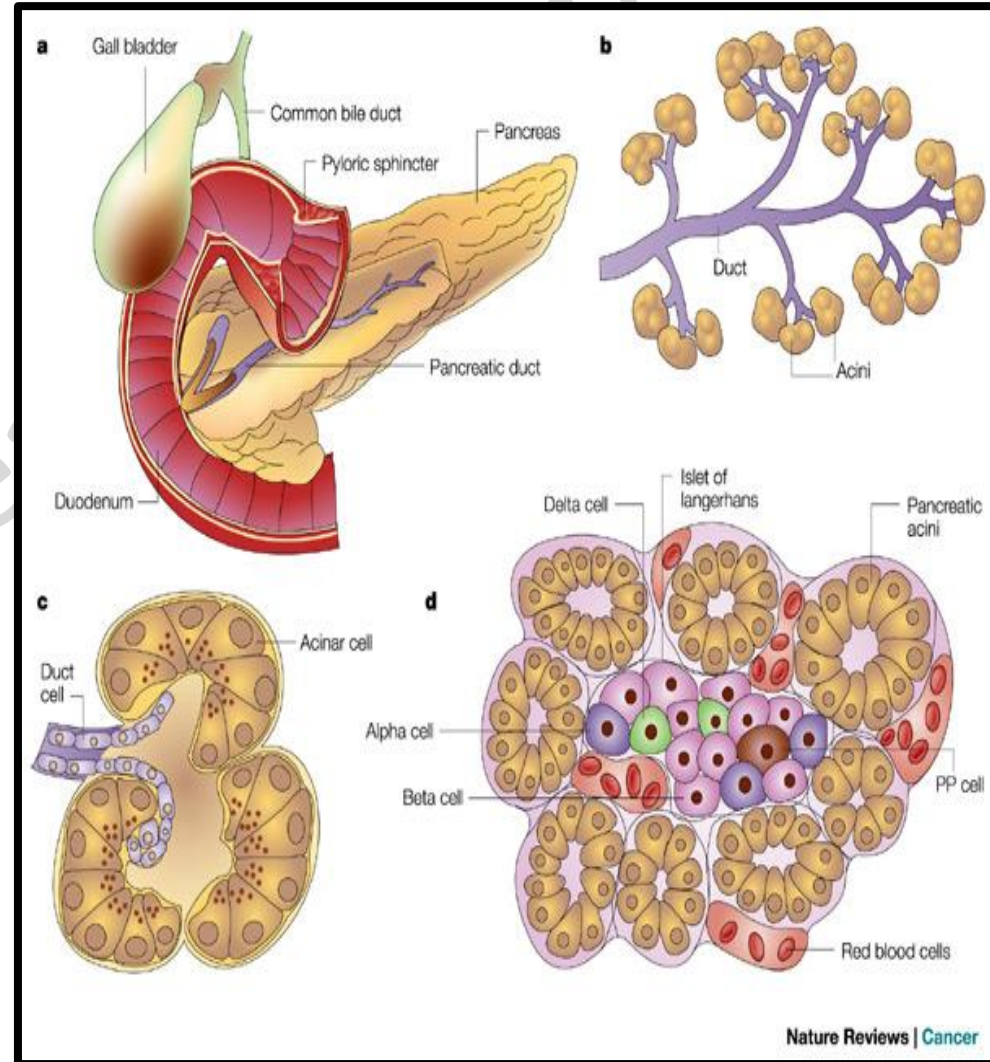
PANCREAS

- Accessory digestive gland
- Location : Retroperitoneal
- Parts :



Functions of Pancreas

- **Exocrine** :
secrete pancreatic juice
- **Endocrine** :
secrete insulin,
glucagon, somatostatin



- Pancreatic Ducts

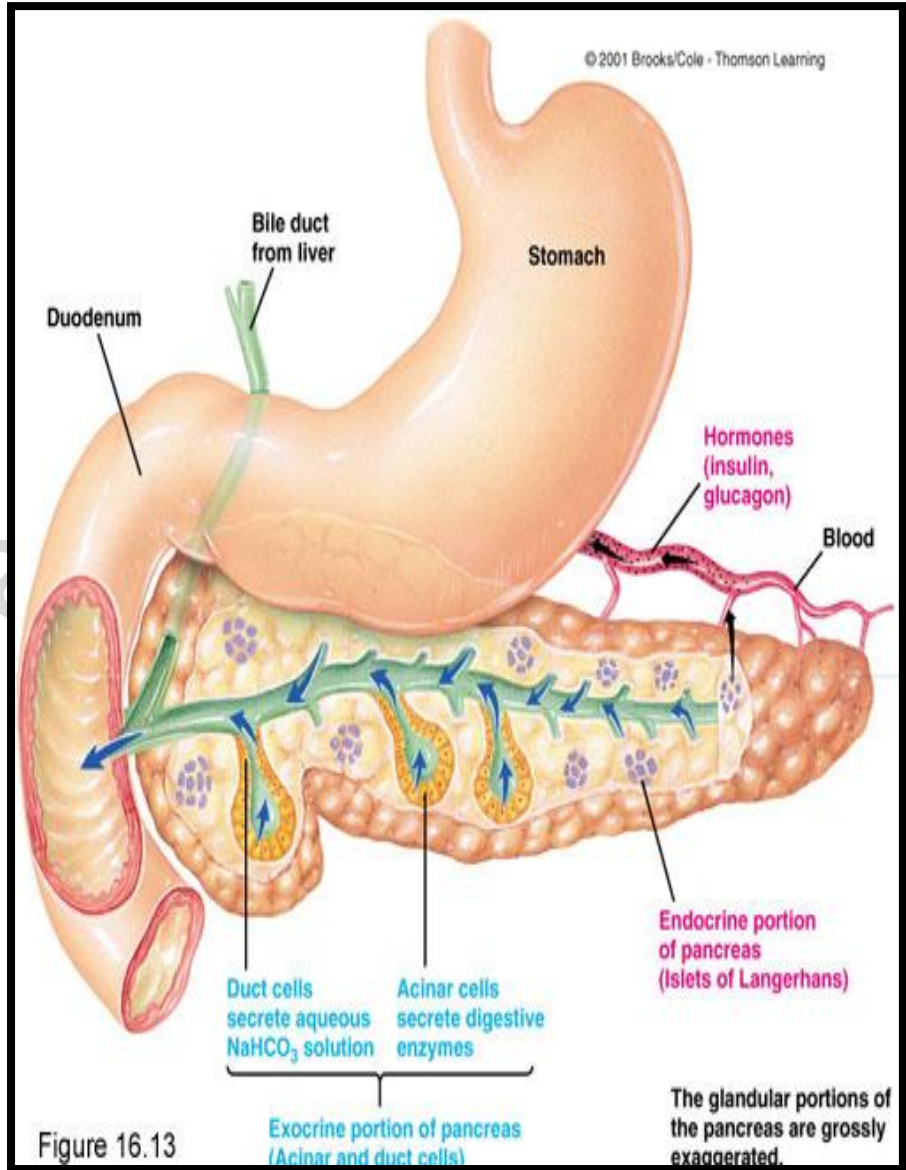
- Duct of wirsung

- Wirsung + CBD

Ampulla of Vater

Guarded by


Sphincter of Oddi

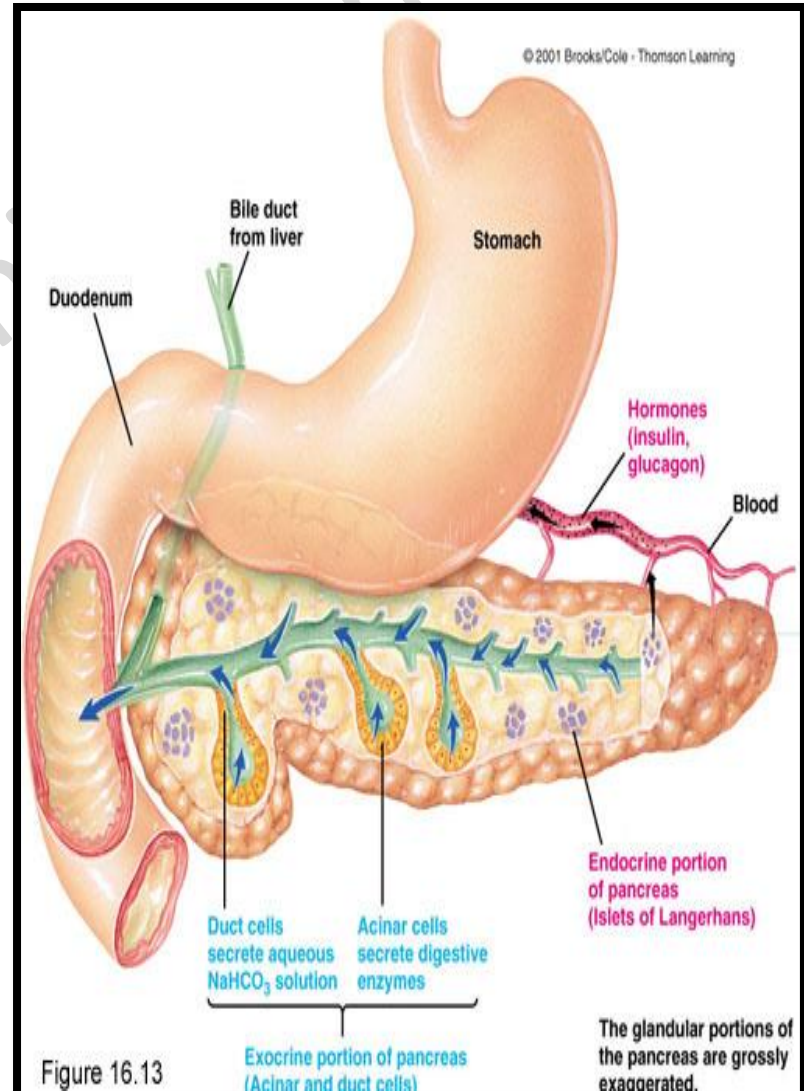


Pancreatic Juice

- **Volume** : 1200 – 1500 ml/day
- **Colourless fluid**
- **Highly alkaline –Ph 7.8 – 8.4**

Due to


- **High conc of HCO_3^- ions**



Composition of Pancreatic Juice

- 96 % H₂O + 4% Solids

Organic

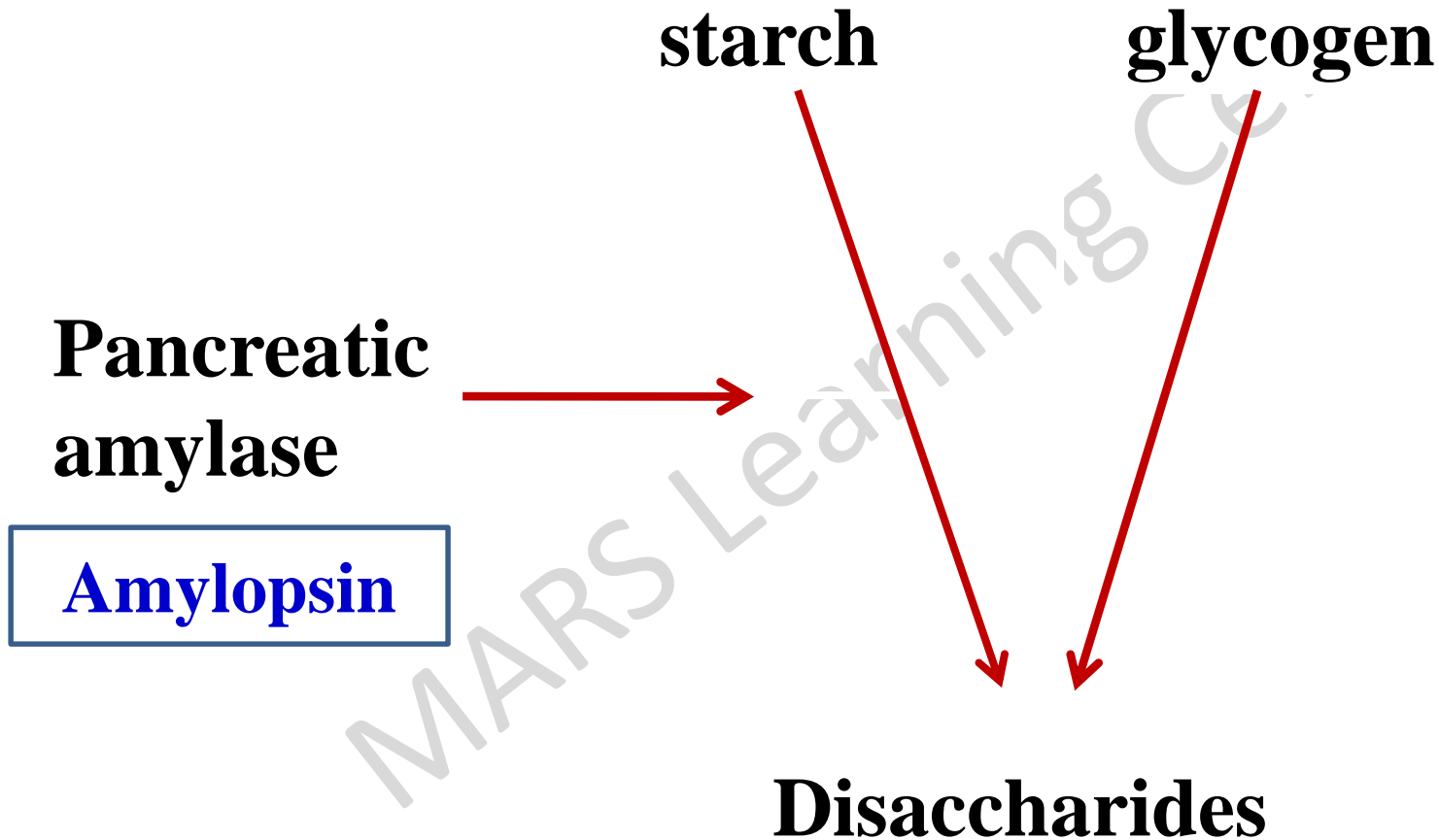
Pancreatic Amylase
Pancreatic Lipase
Pancreatic Protease
Trypsin Inhibitor

In Organic

Na⁺ , K⁺
Ca²⁺ , Mg²⁺
HCO³⁻ , Cl⁻



Functions of Pancreatic Enzymes



Proteolytic enzymes

Inactive when secreted

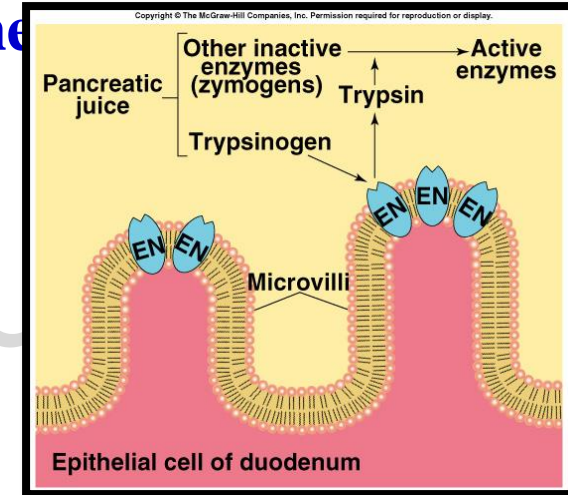


trypsinogen

Enterokinase of small intestine activates trypsinogen



trypsin



chymotrypsinogen



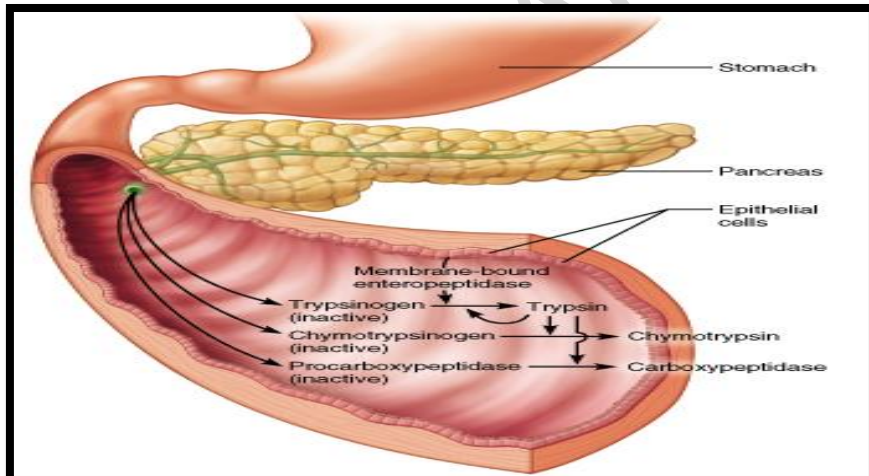
chymotrypsin

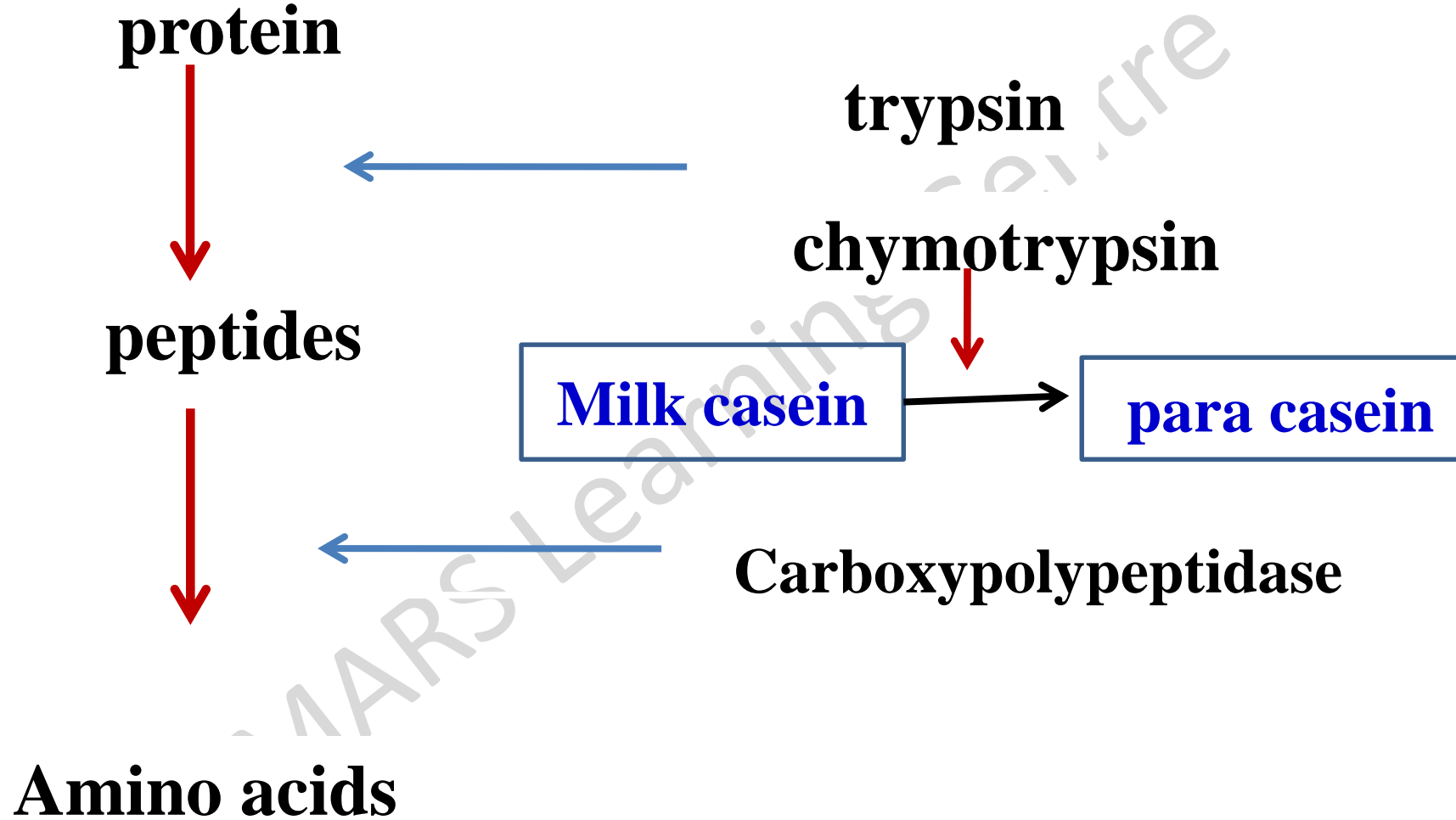
Learning

procarboxypolypeptidase



Carboxypolypeptidase





Pancreatic lipase

fats

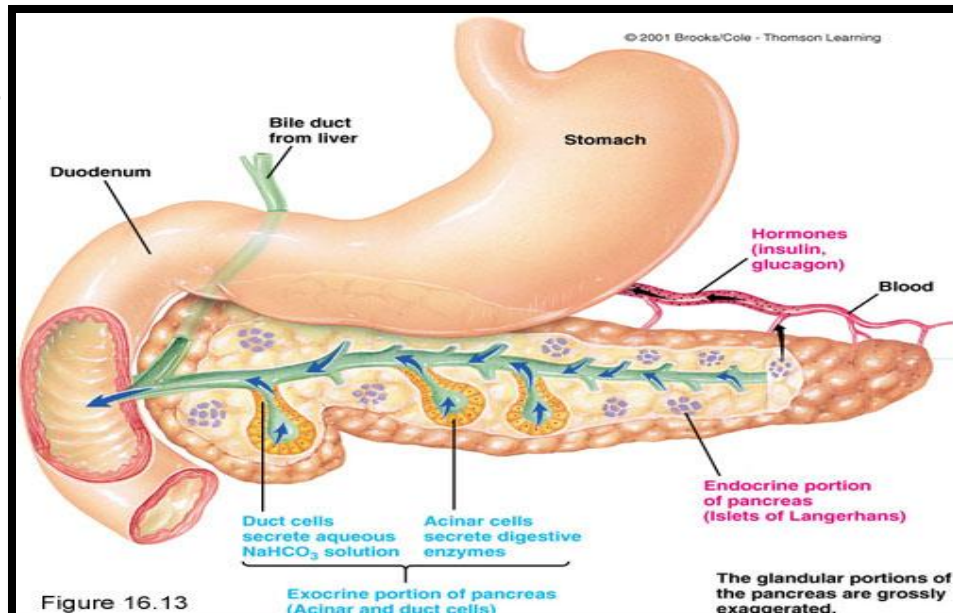
Steapsins

**Fatty acids and
monoglycerides
glycerol**

MARS Learning Centre

Trypsin inhibitor

- Secreted by Acinar cells .
- Prevents activation of trypsin in the pancreas .
- prevents the digestion and other enzymes



Regulation of Pancreatic secretion

- Entry of acidic chyme to duodenum

↑ Pancreatic secretion

By releasing two hormones from duodenal cells

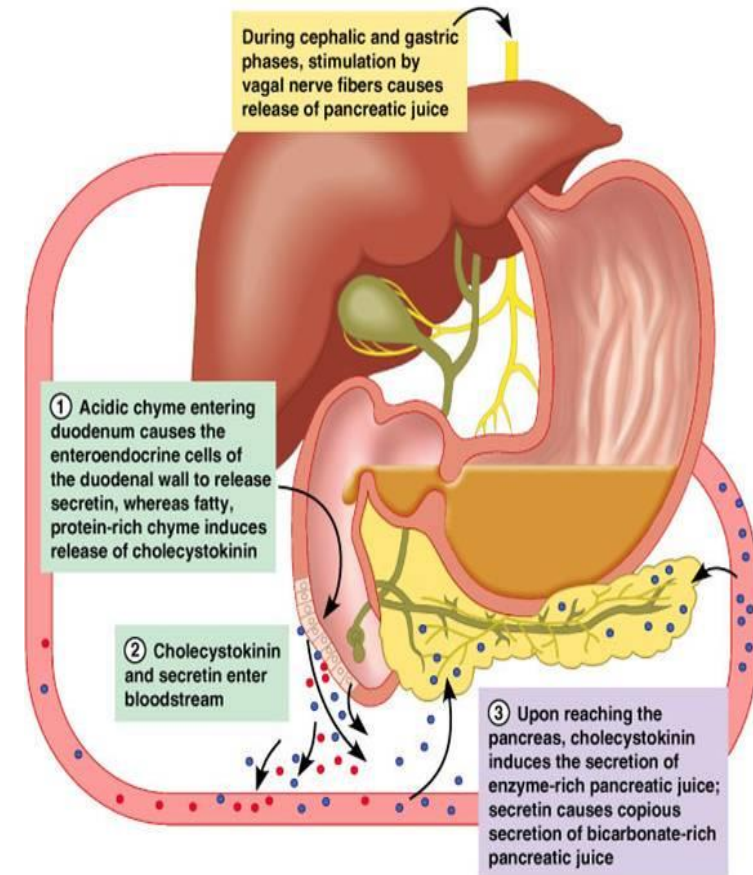
Secretin

cholecystokinin

↑ **HCO₃⁻ secretion**

↑ **enzyme secretion**

Acetylcholine (ACh)
released by vagus nerve



Small intestinal secretions

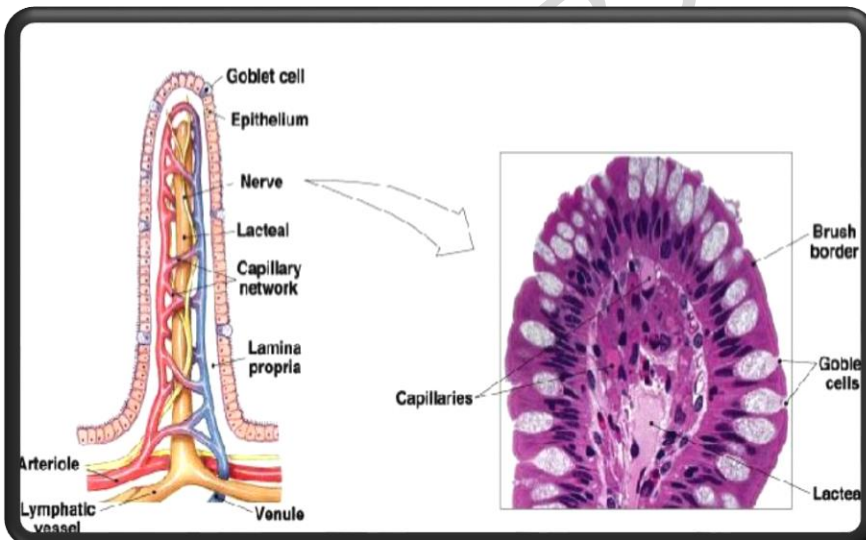
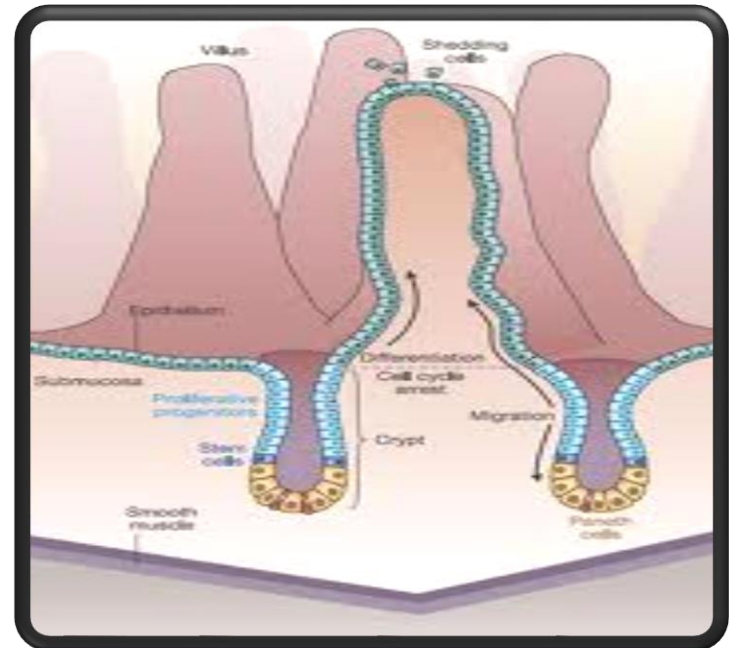
- Between adjacent villi



crypts of lieberkhun

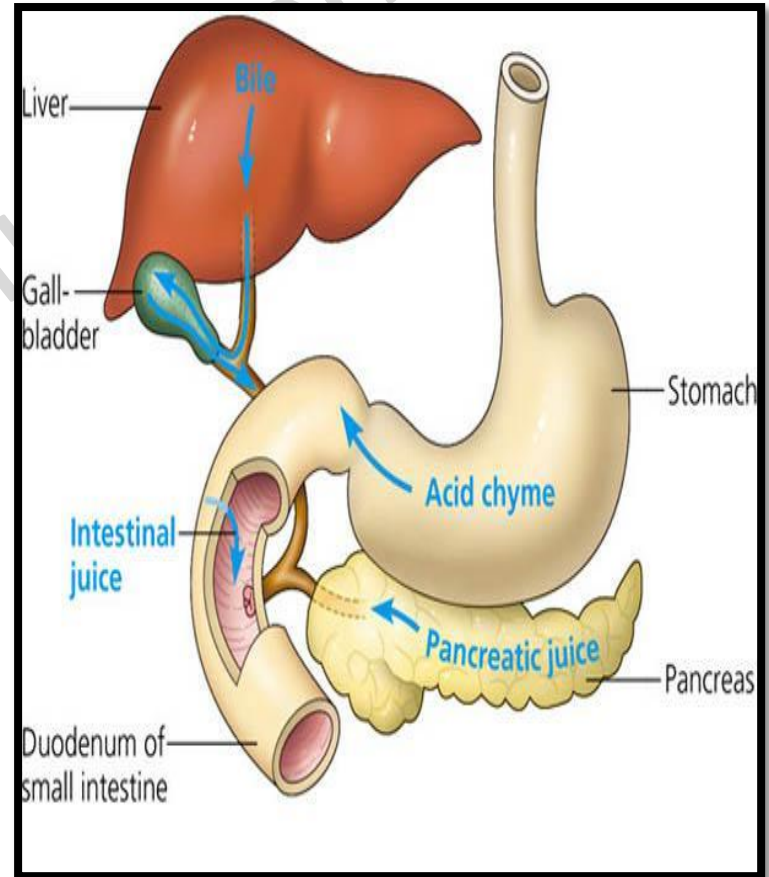


Intestinal glands



Intestinal juice/ Succus Entericus

- 1800- 2000 ml/day
- Transparent yellowish fluid
- **Alkaline pH (7.5-8)**
- Water – 98%
- Solids-organic , inorganic



Succus Entericus

Organic

- Activating enzymes
- Digestive enzymes
- Hormones
- Mucus by Goblet cells

Enzymes

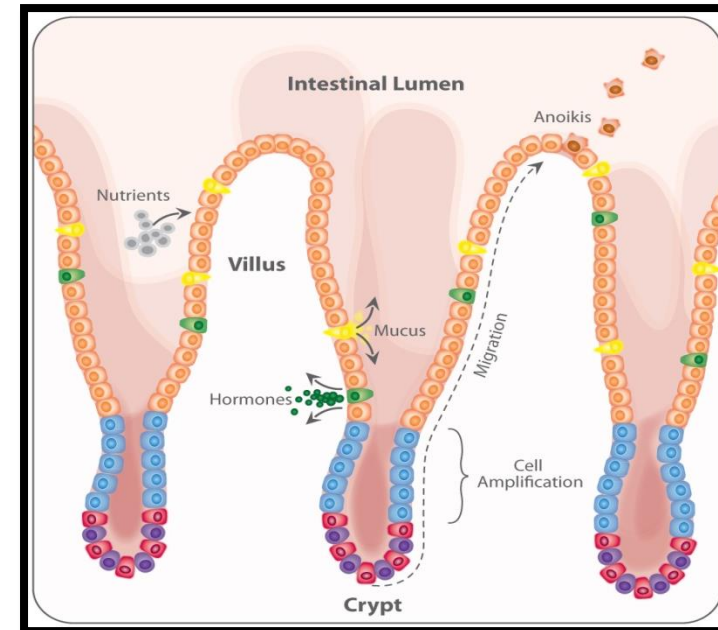
- Enterokinase
- Sucrase, maltase, lactase
- Amino peptidase, dipeptidase
- Lipase

Hormones

- Secretin, CCK-PZ,
- Enterogastrone, VIP, GIP

Inorganic

- Sodium
- Chloride
- Bicarbonates

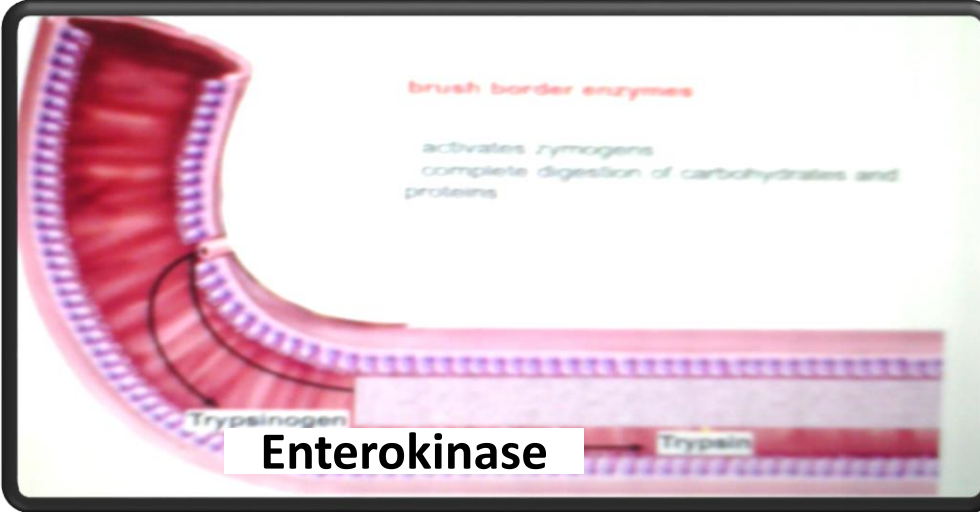


Enzymes :

1. Activating Enzymes

- Enterokinase

activates pancreatic trypsinogen



2. Digestive enzymes

- sucrase, maltase, lactase

disacch

monosacharides

- amino, dipeptidase

peptides

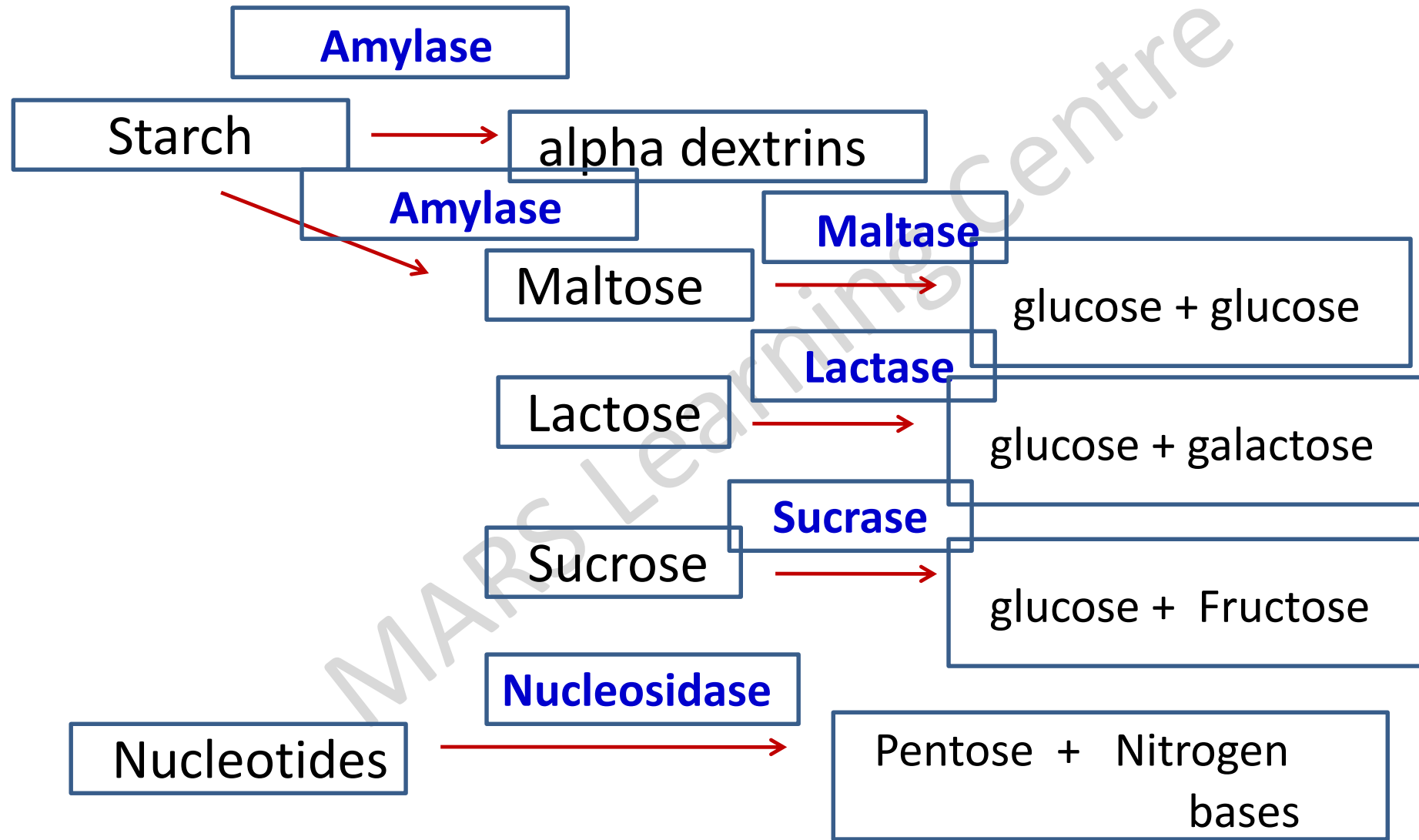
amino acids

Erepsins

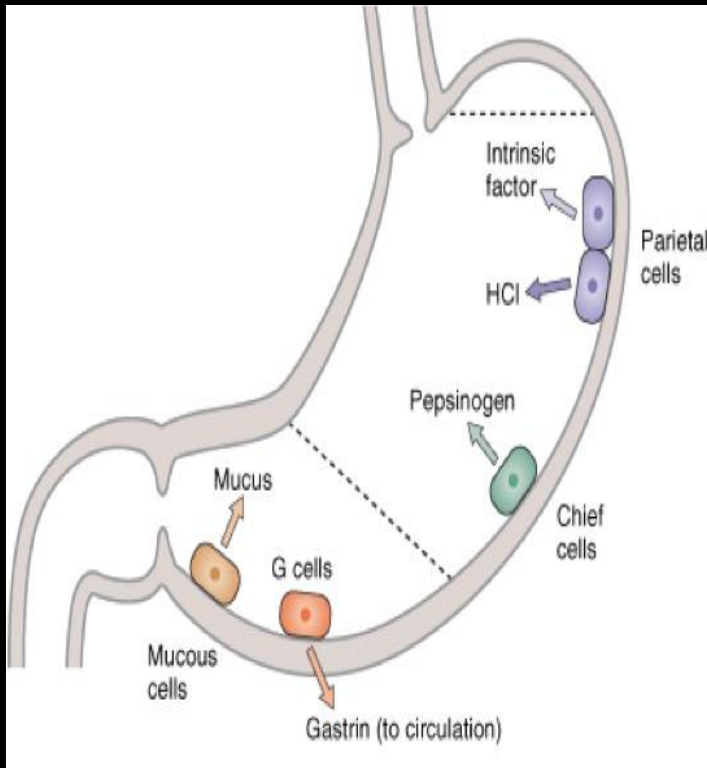
- intestinal lipase

fats

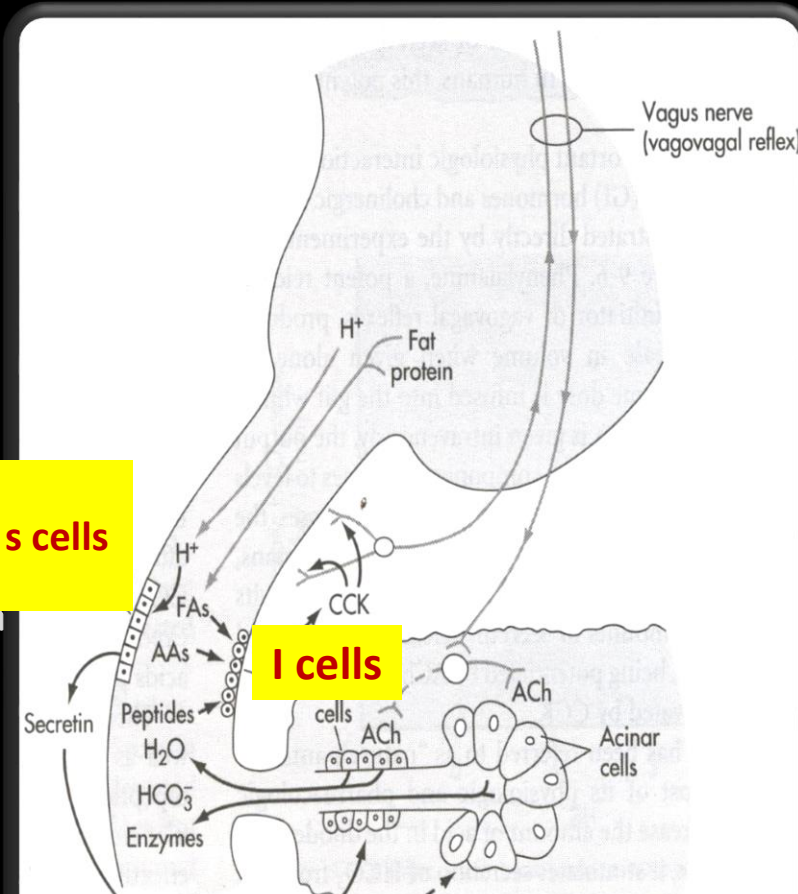
fatty acids, glycerol



HORMONES	SOURCE	ACTIONS
GASTRIN	G – Cells in stomach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Increases - Gastric juice - Gastric motility
CCK -PZ	I – Cells of duodenum , jejunum Stimulus- acidic chyme in deuodenum, fat and protein breakdown products in chyme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Succus entericus - enzyme rich pancreatic juice - contraction of gall bladder to release bile - intestinal motility
SECRETIN	S – Cells of duodenum , jejunum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ↑ Alkaline watery pancreatic & bile secretion

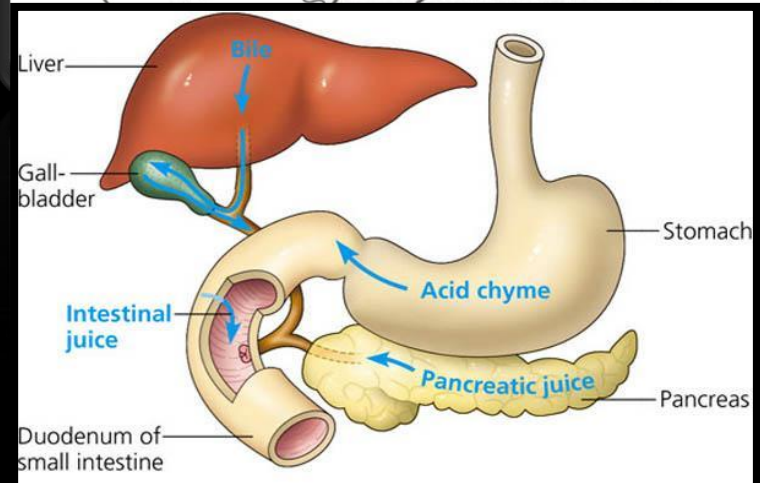


G – cells



s cells

I cells



<p>GIP (gastric inhibitory polypeptide)</p>	<p>mucosa of duodenum , jejunum</p>	<p>- ↓ gastric secretion gastric motility</p>
<p>VIP (vasoactive intestinal polypeptide)</p>	<p>Jejunum in response to fatty meals</p>	<p>- ↑ Intestinal secretions - inhibits gastric juice - dilates blood vessels</p>
<p>Duocrinin</p>	<p>cells of duodenum</p>	<p>- ↑ Intestinal secretions (Brunners gland)</p>
<p>Enterocrinin</p>	<p>small intestinal epithelium</p>	<p>- ↑ Succus entericus</p>
<p>Somatostatin</p>	<p>delta cells of Islets of Langerhans</p>	<p>↓ insulin , glucagon from pancreas</p>

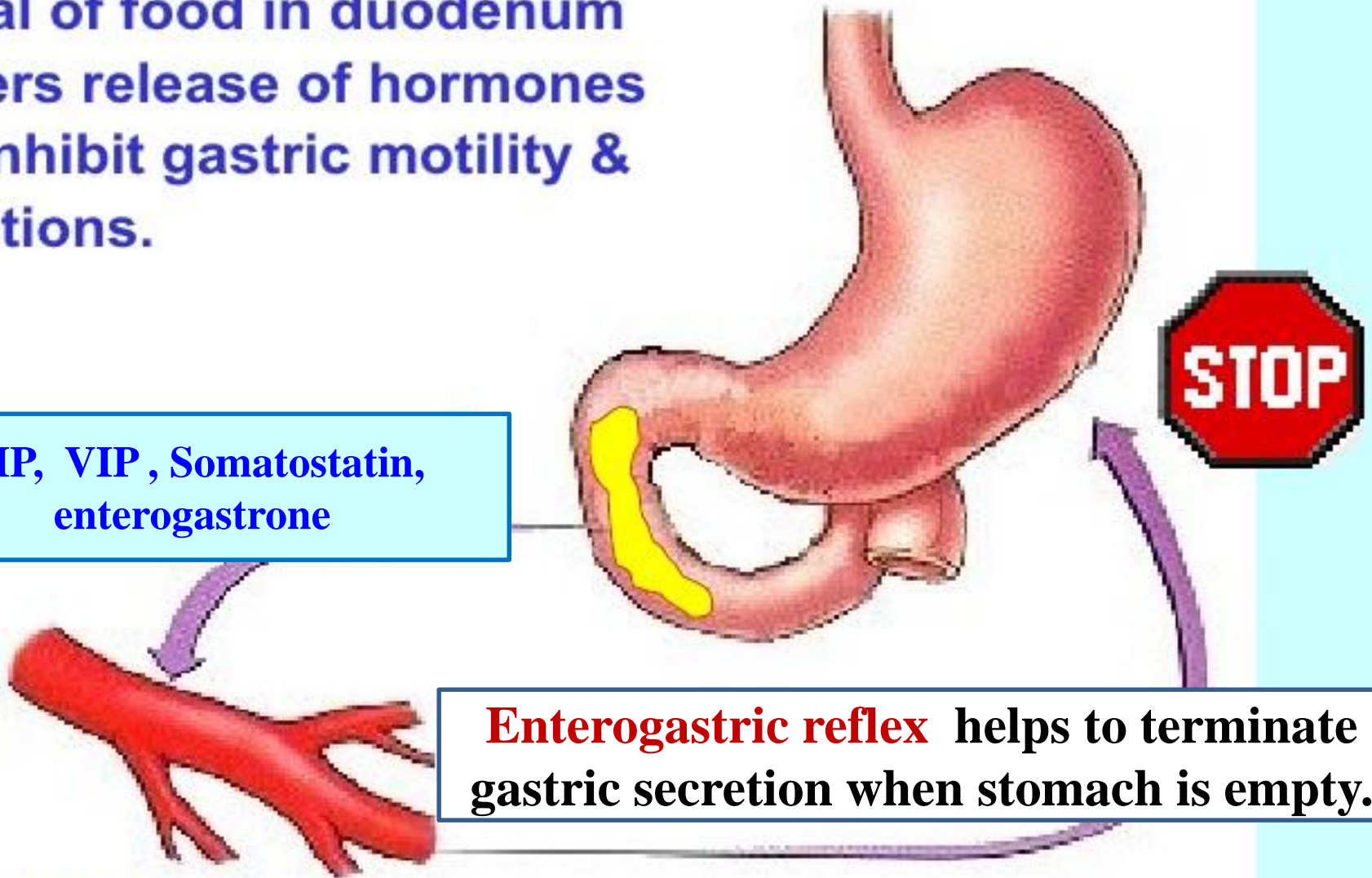
Intestinal Phase

Arrival of food in duodenum triggers release of hormones that inhibit gastric motility & secretions.

GIP, VIP, Somatostatin, enterogastrone

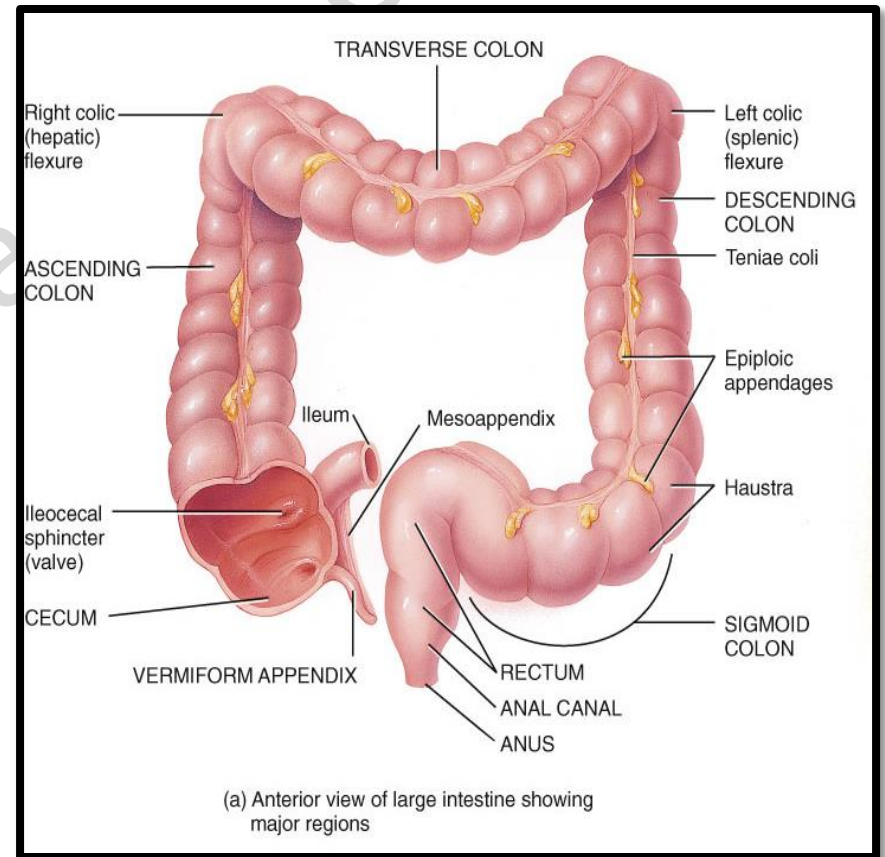
Enterogastric reflex helps to terminate gastric secretion when stomach is empty.

Circulation



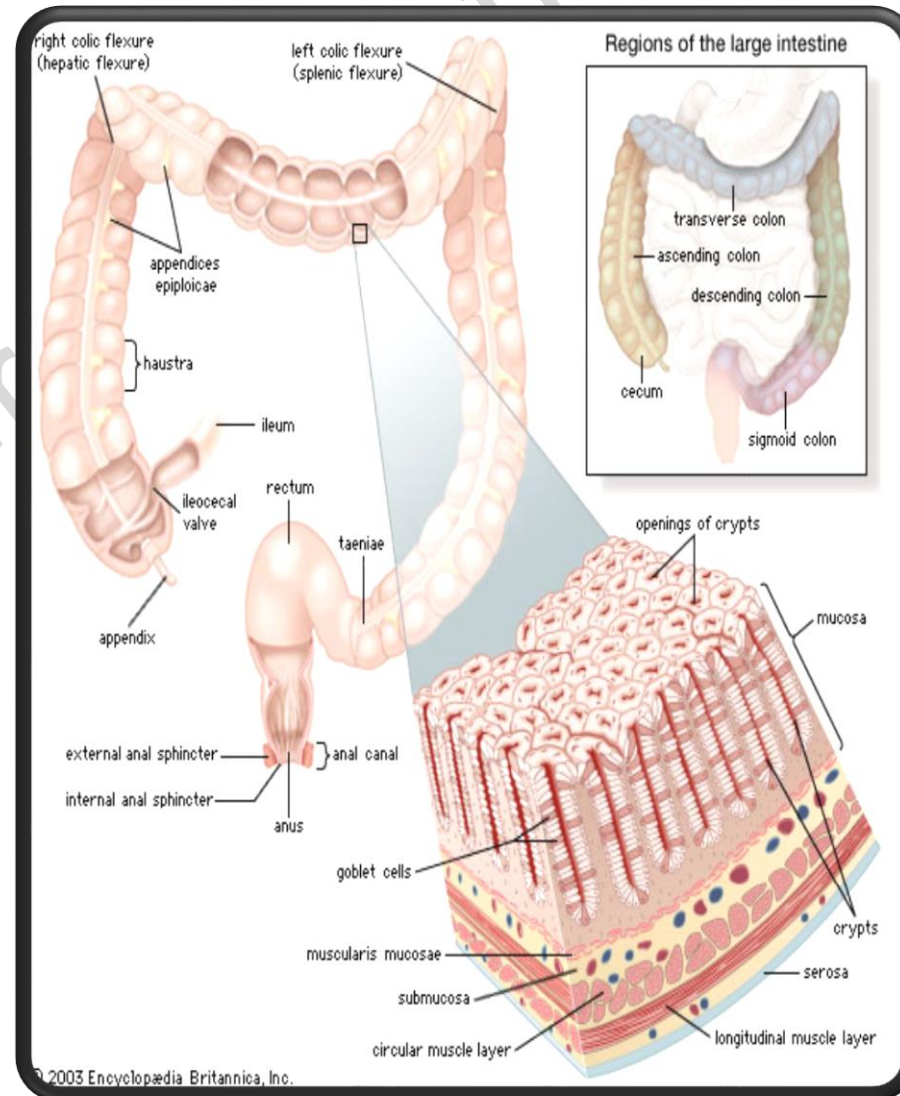
Parts of large intestine

- Cecum
- Appendix
- Ascending colon
- Transverse colon
- Descending Colon
- Sigmoid colon
- Rectum



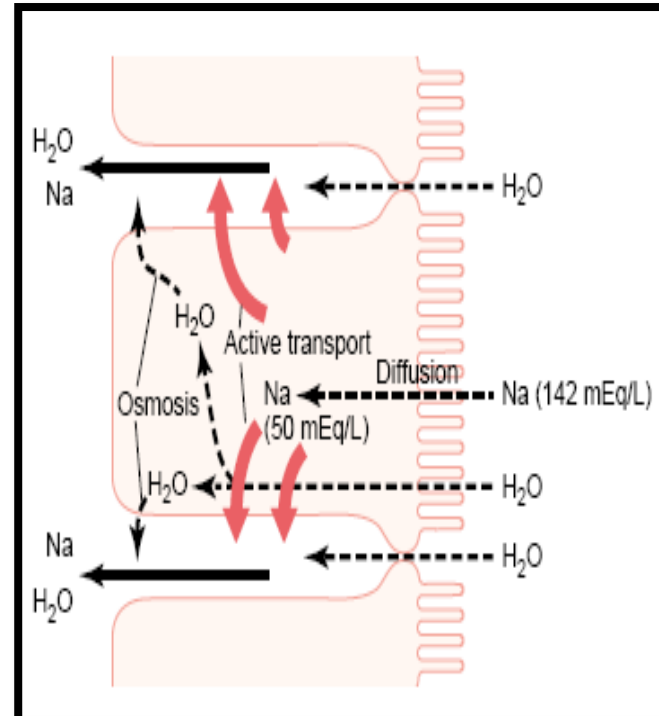
Secretions of LI

- Highly alkaline
- **Composition**
 - Mucus
 - NaHCO_3
 - Potassium
 - Chloride ions
 - Water



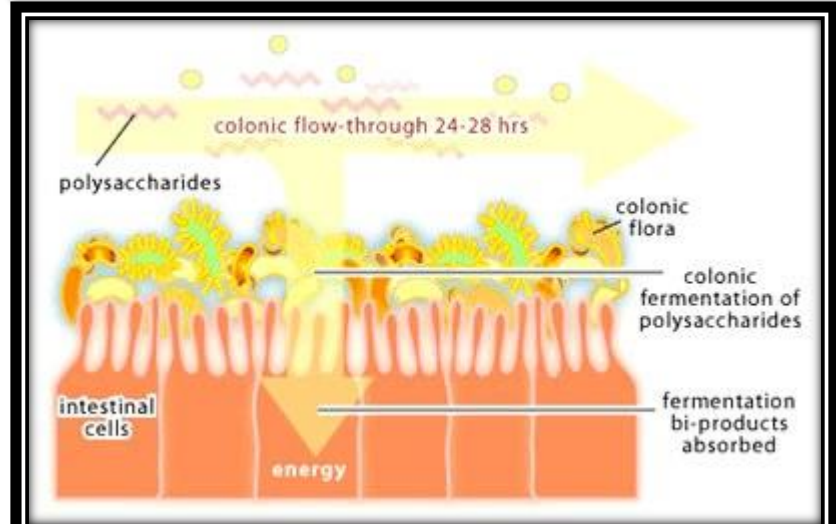
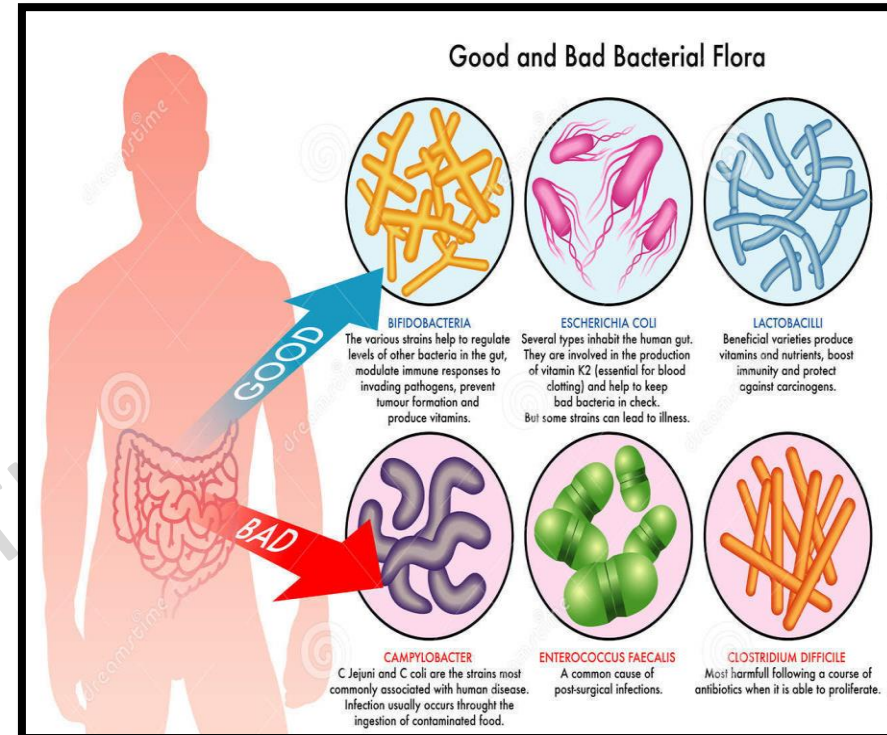
Functions of LI

- **Absorption** : water , electorlytes.
- **Synthesis**: production of some vitamins (vit K, B –comp, vit K, folic acid)
- **Excretion** : waste products (mercury, lead)
- **Formation of Feaces**
- **Defecation**



Bacterial Flora of LI

- Stagnation , low oxygen tension favours bacterial growth .
- Harmless : - E.coli
-enterobacter aerogenes
- Harmful :gas gangrene bacilli



Significance of Colonic Bacterial Flora

1. Synthesis : Vit C , Vit B group , folic acid , Vit K₂
- indole , skatole – faecal odour

2. **Convert bile pigments** → Stercobilinogen , urobilinogen

Imparts colour
to faeces

Imparts colour
to urine

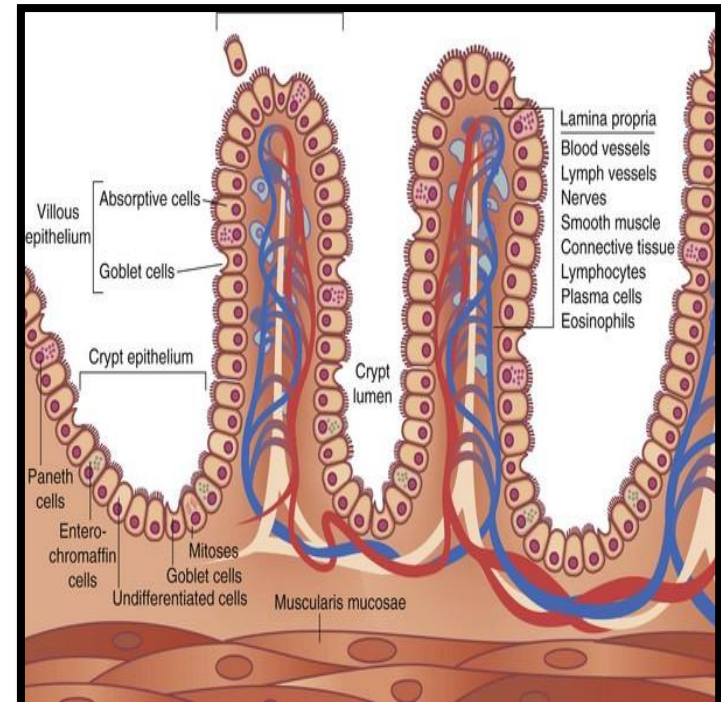
3. Production of intestinal gases (7-10L/day)

breakdown of undigested nutrients

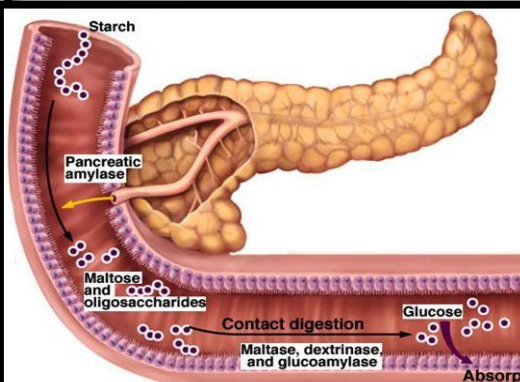
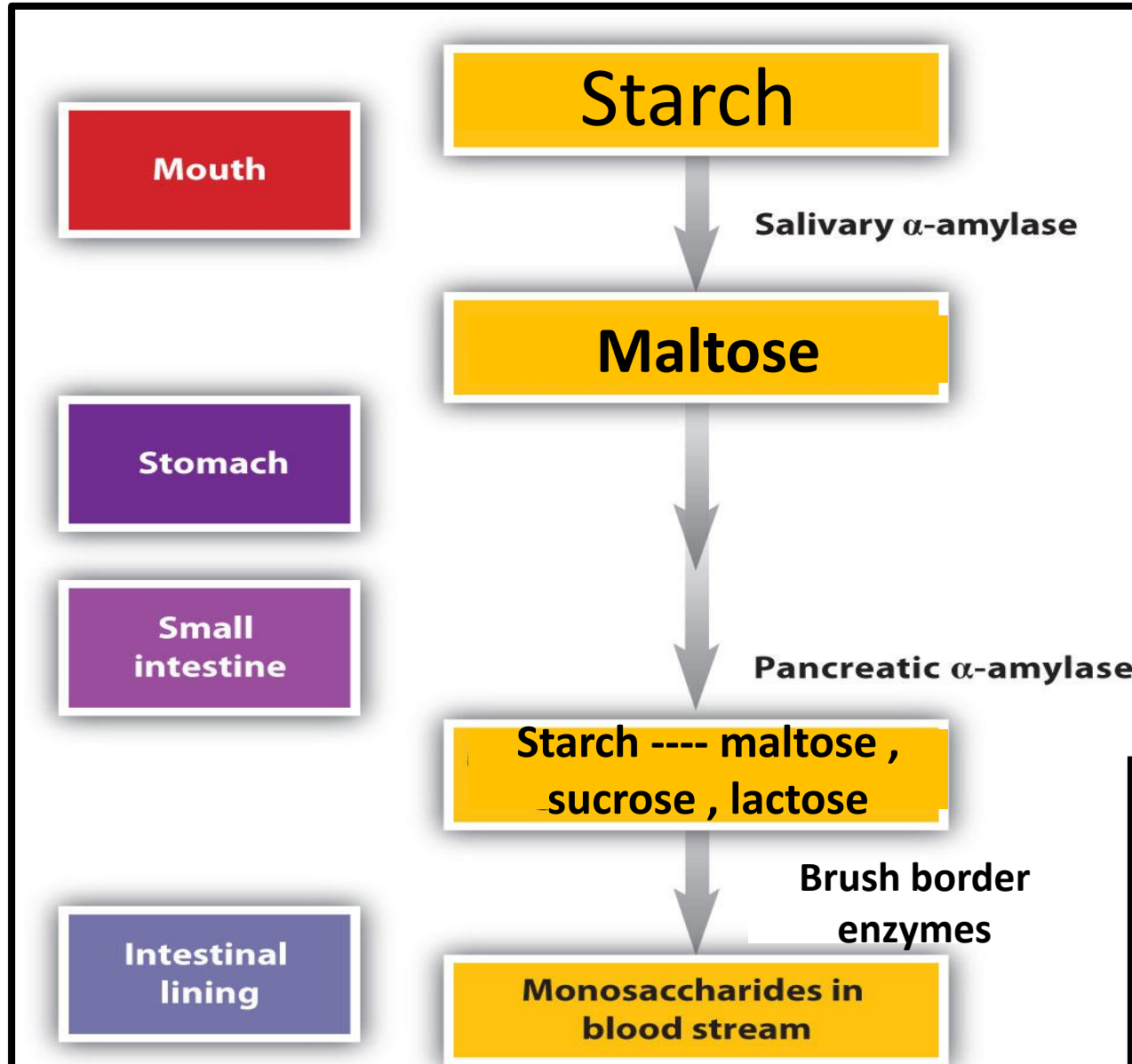
**600ml/day is released
out**

Summary of Digestion & Absorption

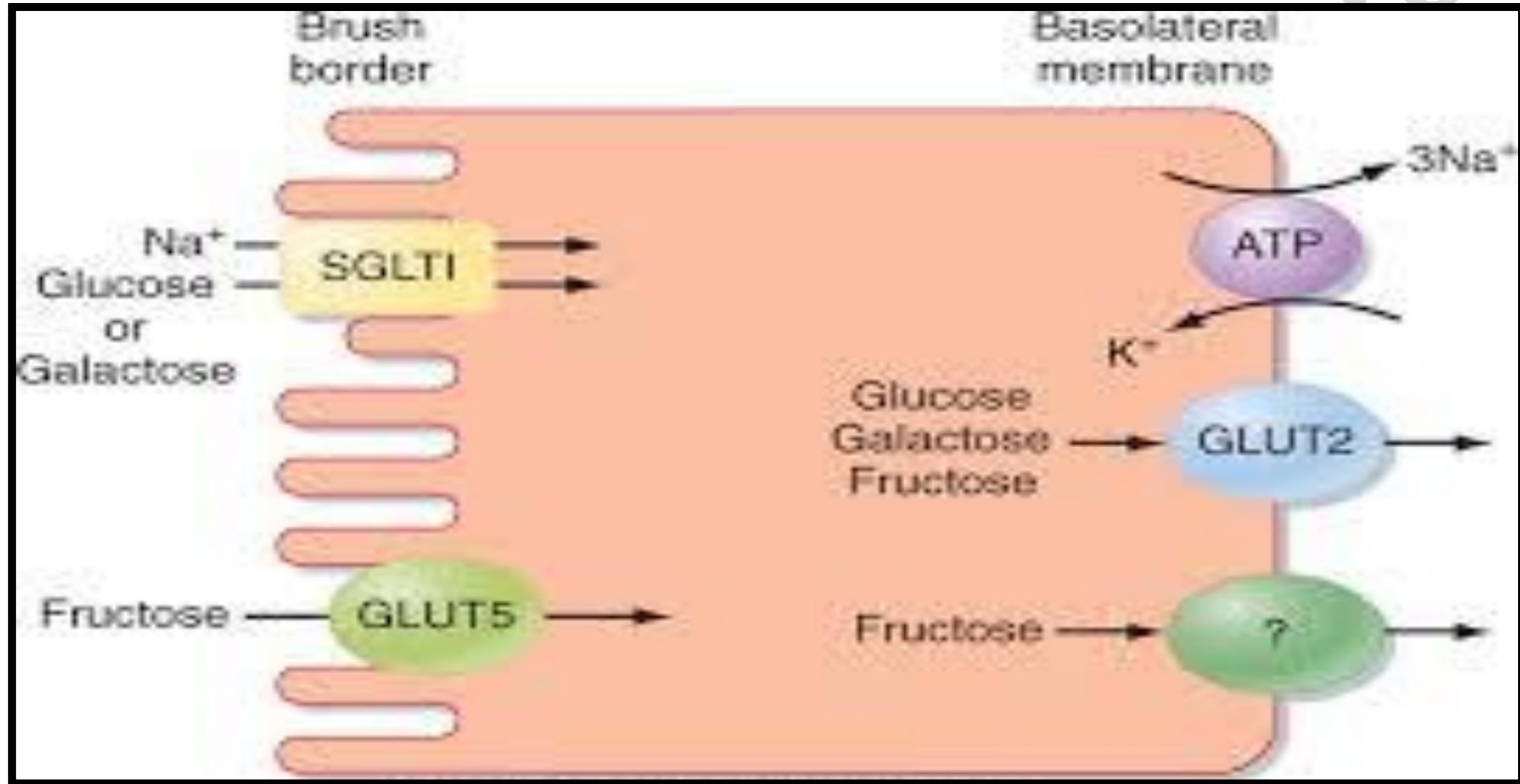
- Absorption mainly occurs in ileum of small intestine **by intestinal villi.**



CHO digestion

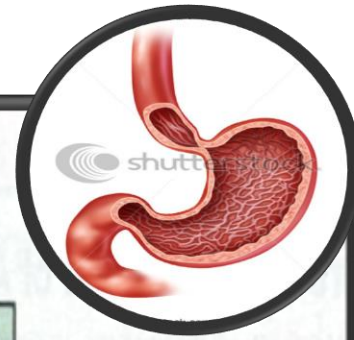


CHO absorption

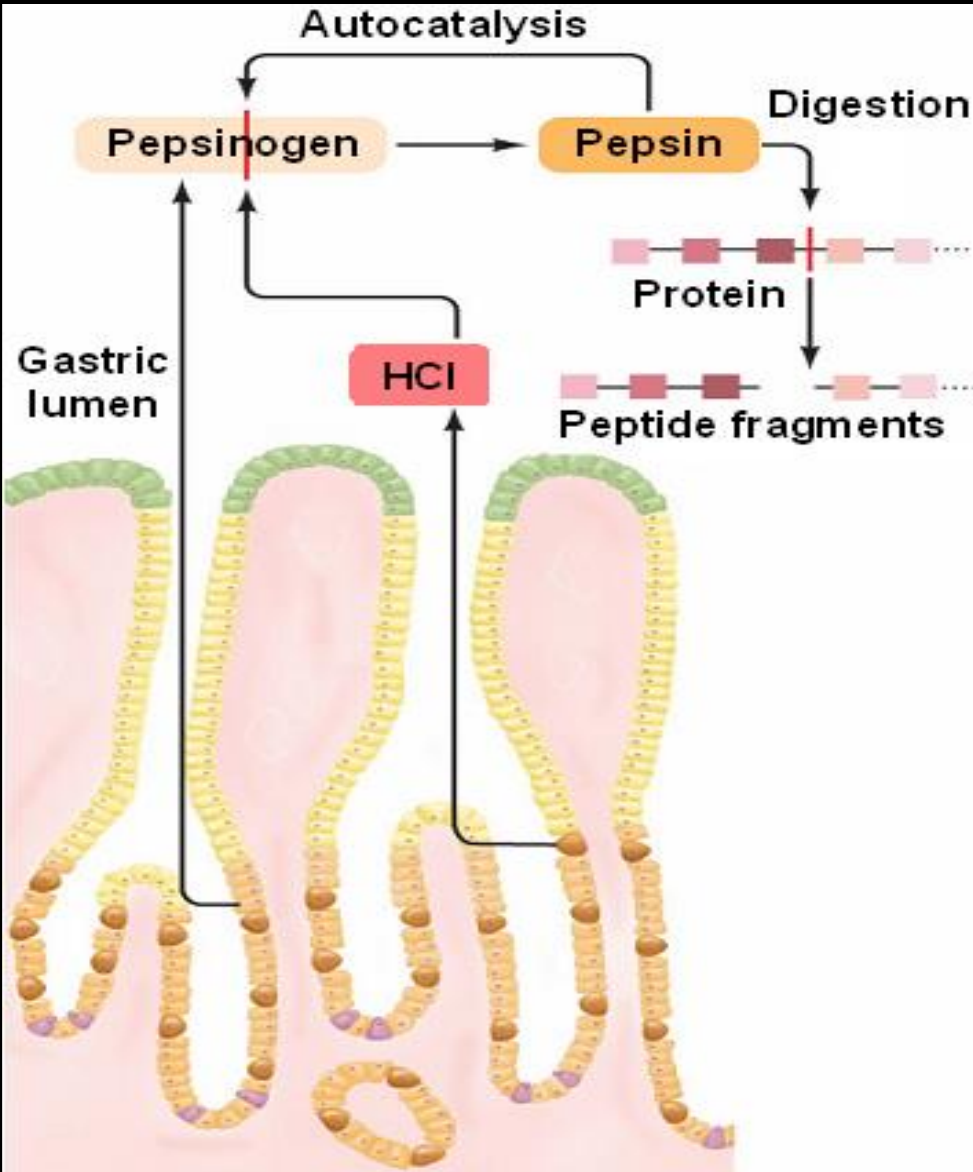


Glucose, galactose --- **sodium dependent active transport**
Fructose ----- **Facilitated Diffusion**

DIGESTION OF PROTEINS



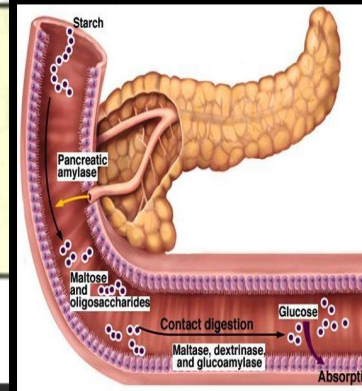
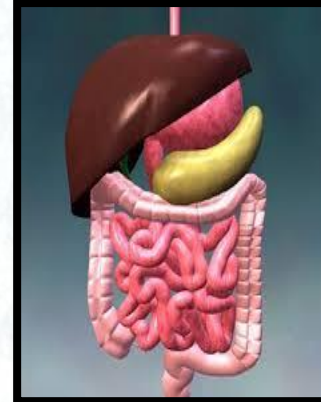
Stomach



Pepsin in presence of hydrochloric acid

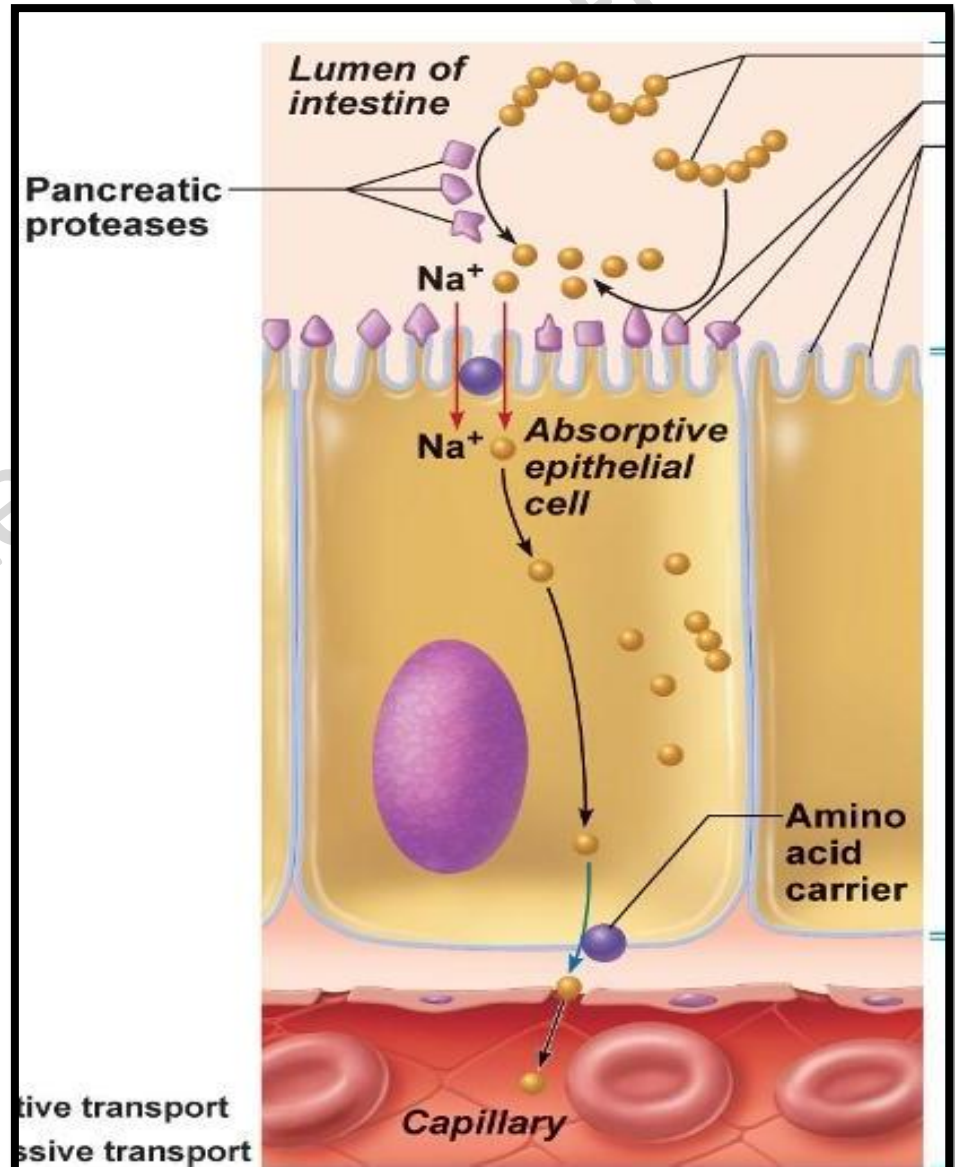
Pancreatic enzymes (trypsin, chymotrypsin, carboxypeptidase)

Brush-border enzymes (aminopeptidases and dipeptidases)



Protein absorption

- Na⁺ dependent Active transport.
- ATP dependent



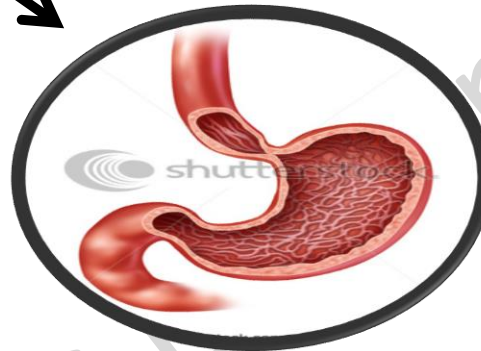
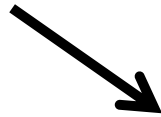
DIGESTION OF FATS



Mouth



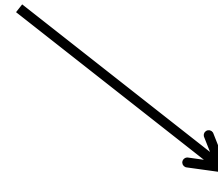
~~Salivary lipase~~



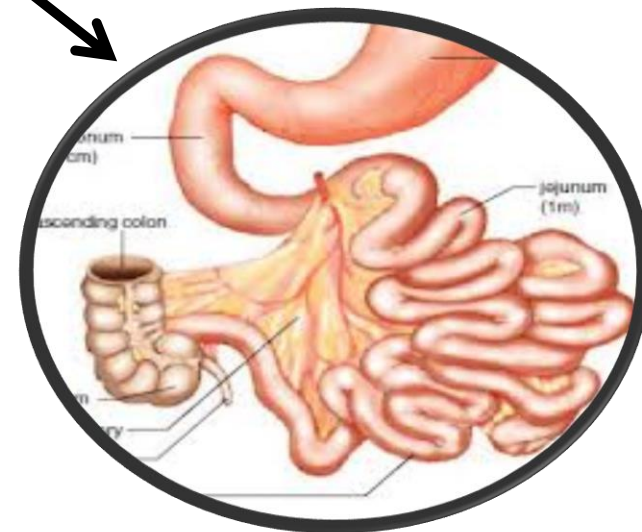
Stomach



Gastric lipase



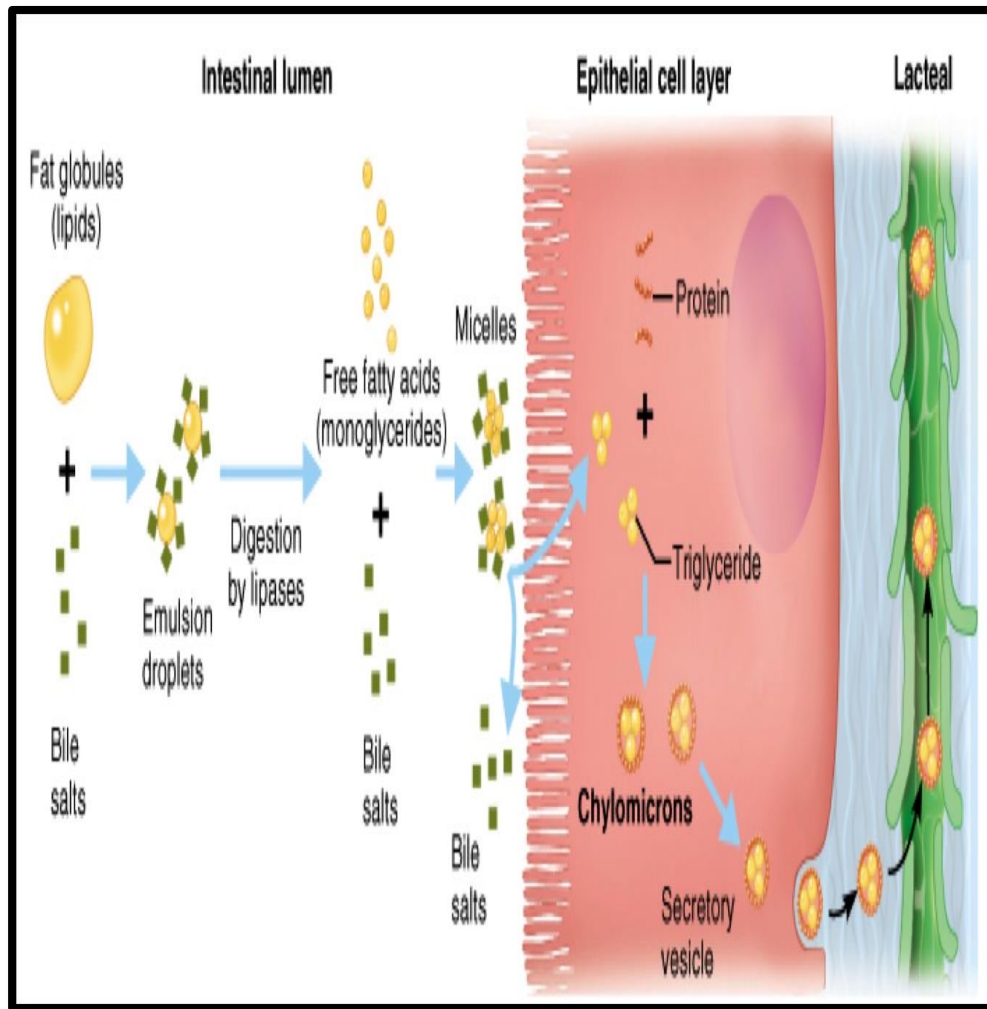
Small Intestine



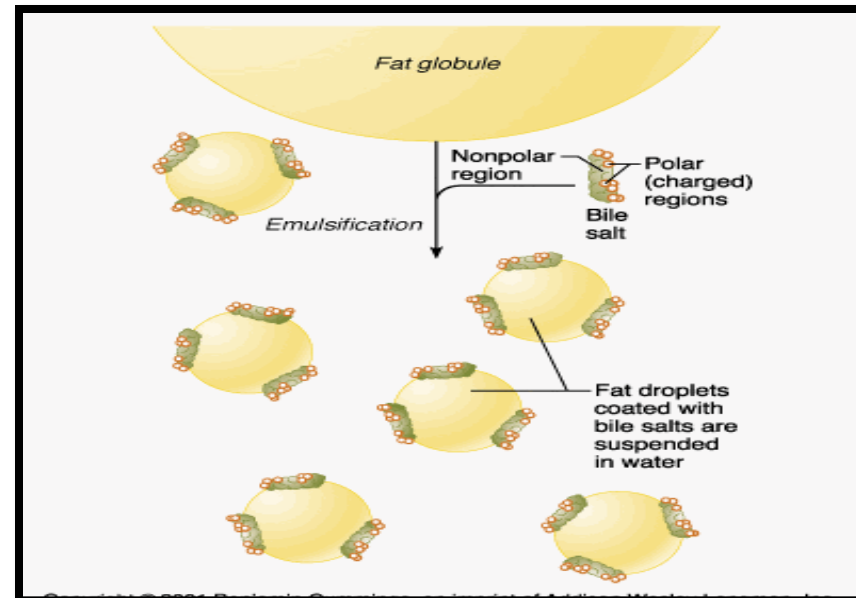
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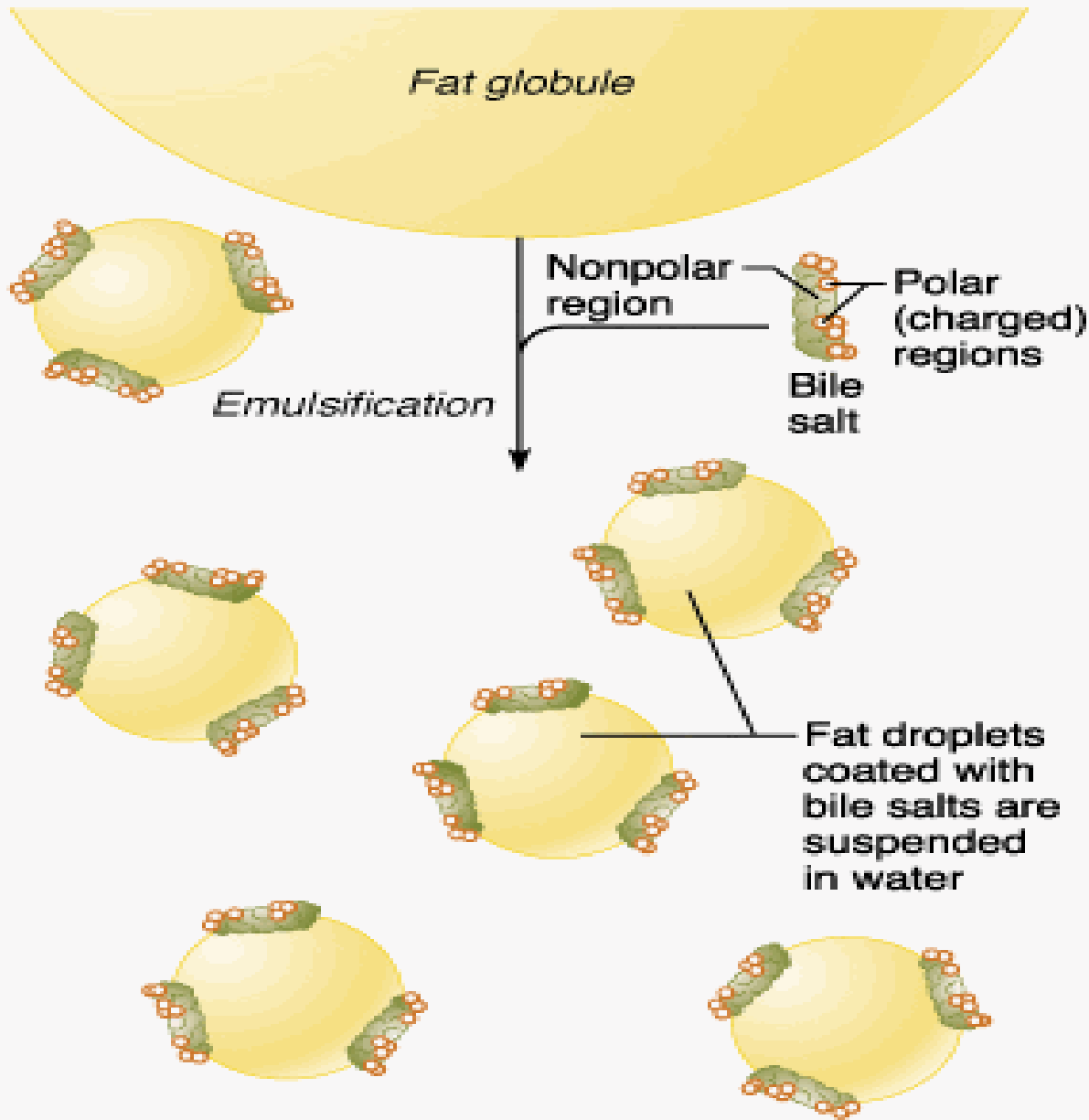


Digestion of Lipids



- In small Intestine
 - 1) Bile salts of liver
 - 2) Pancreatic Lipases
 - 3) Intestinal Lipases





Pancreatic lipase

Neutral fat

Fatty acids and monoglycerides

Steapsins

intestinal lipase

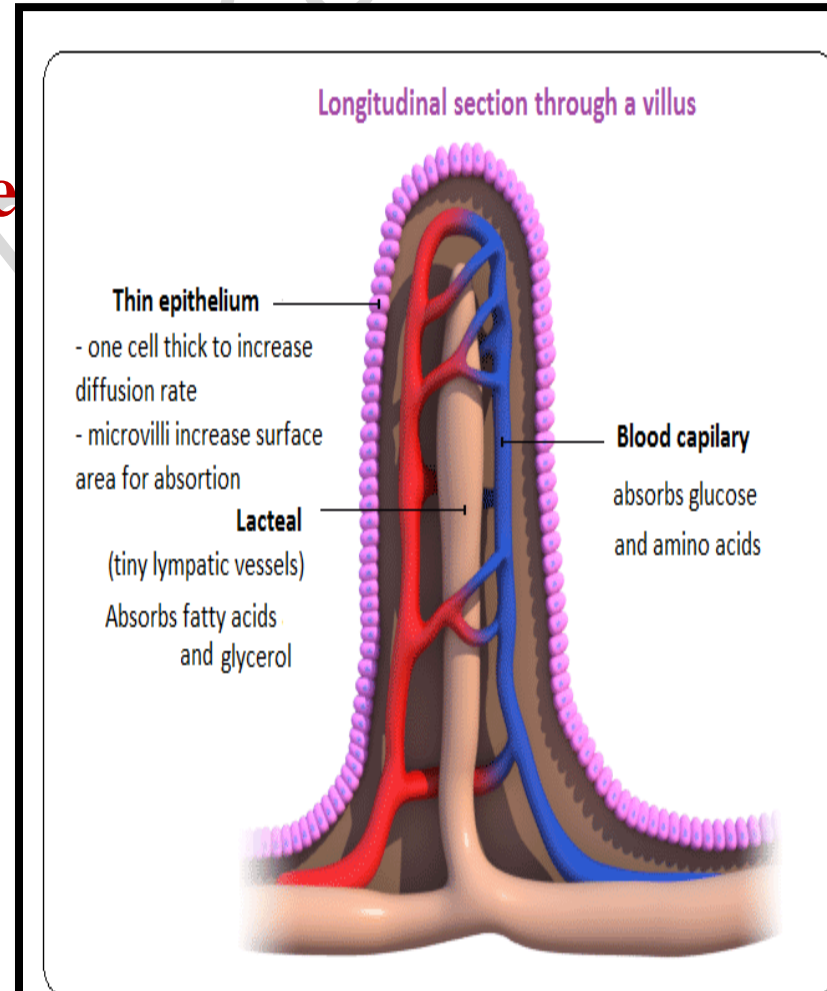
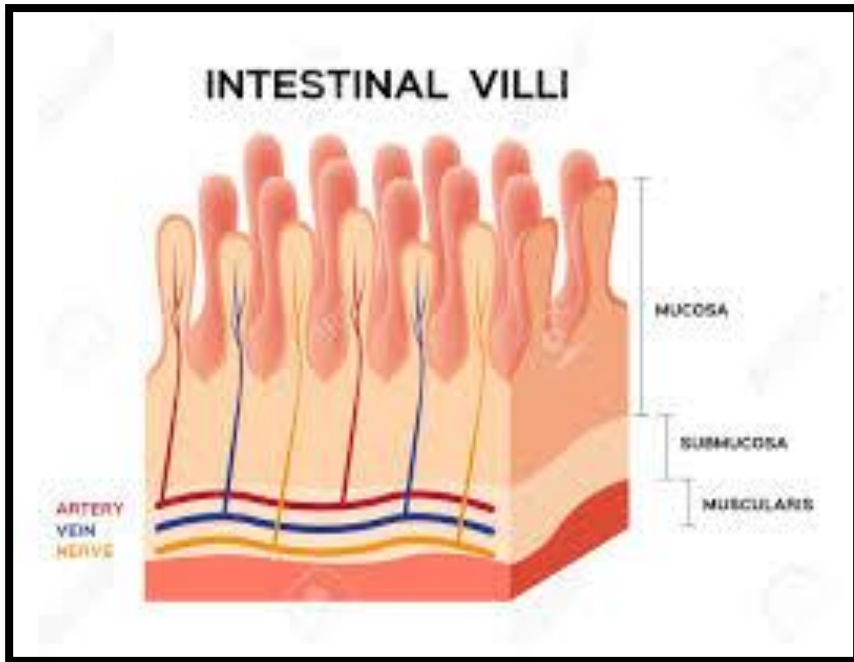
fats

fatty acids, glycerol



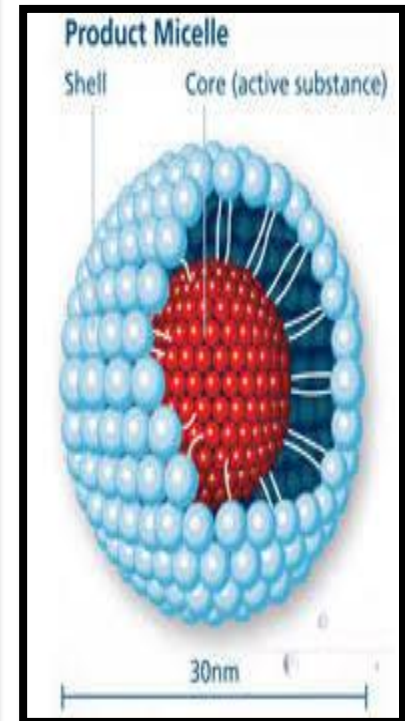
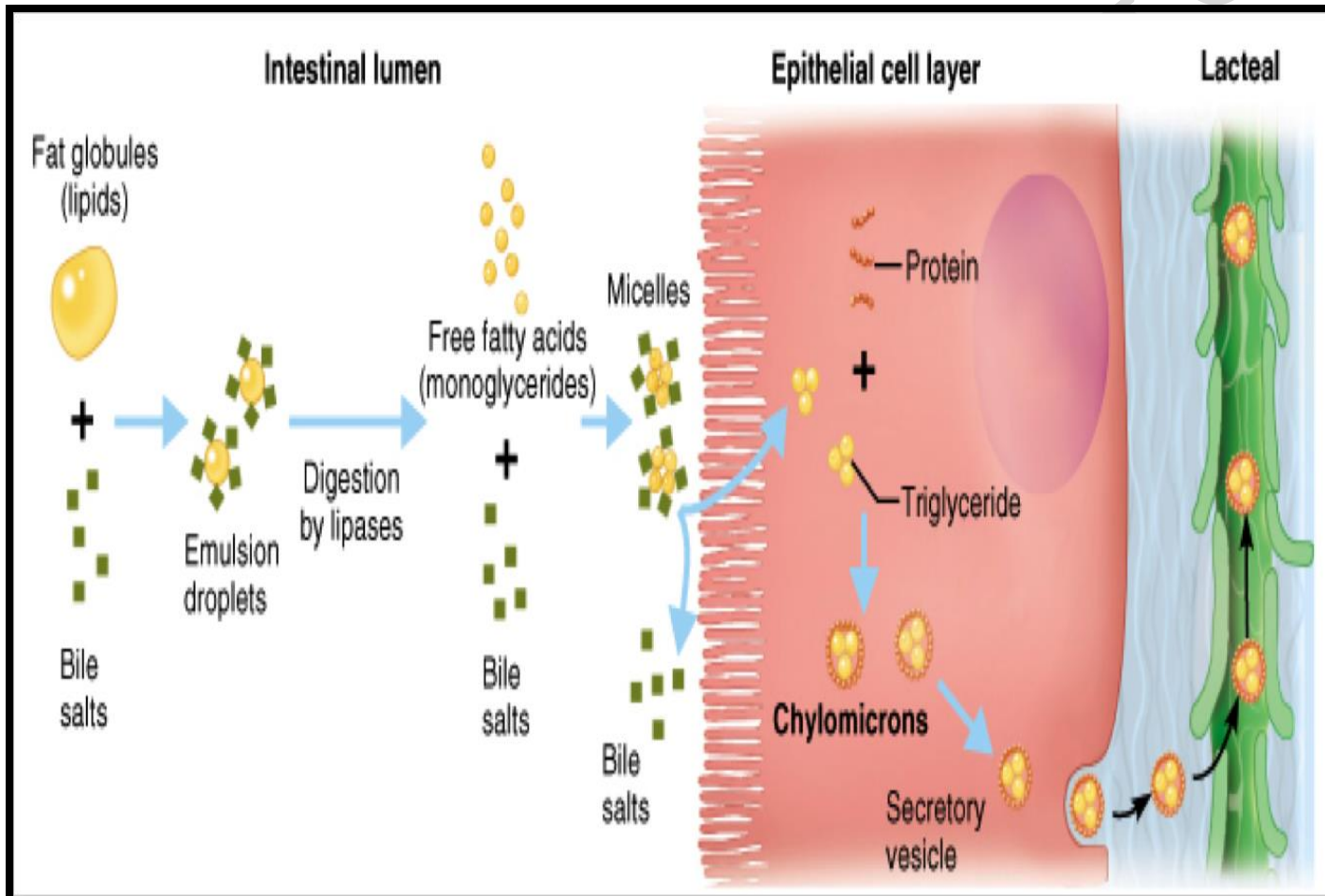
Intestinal fat absorption

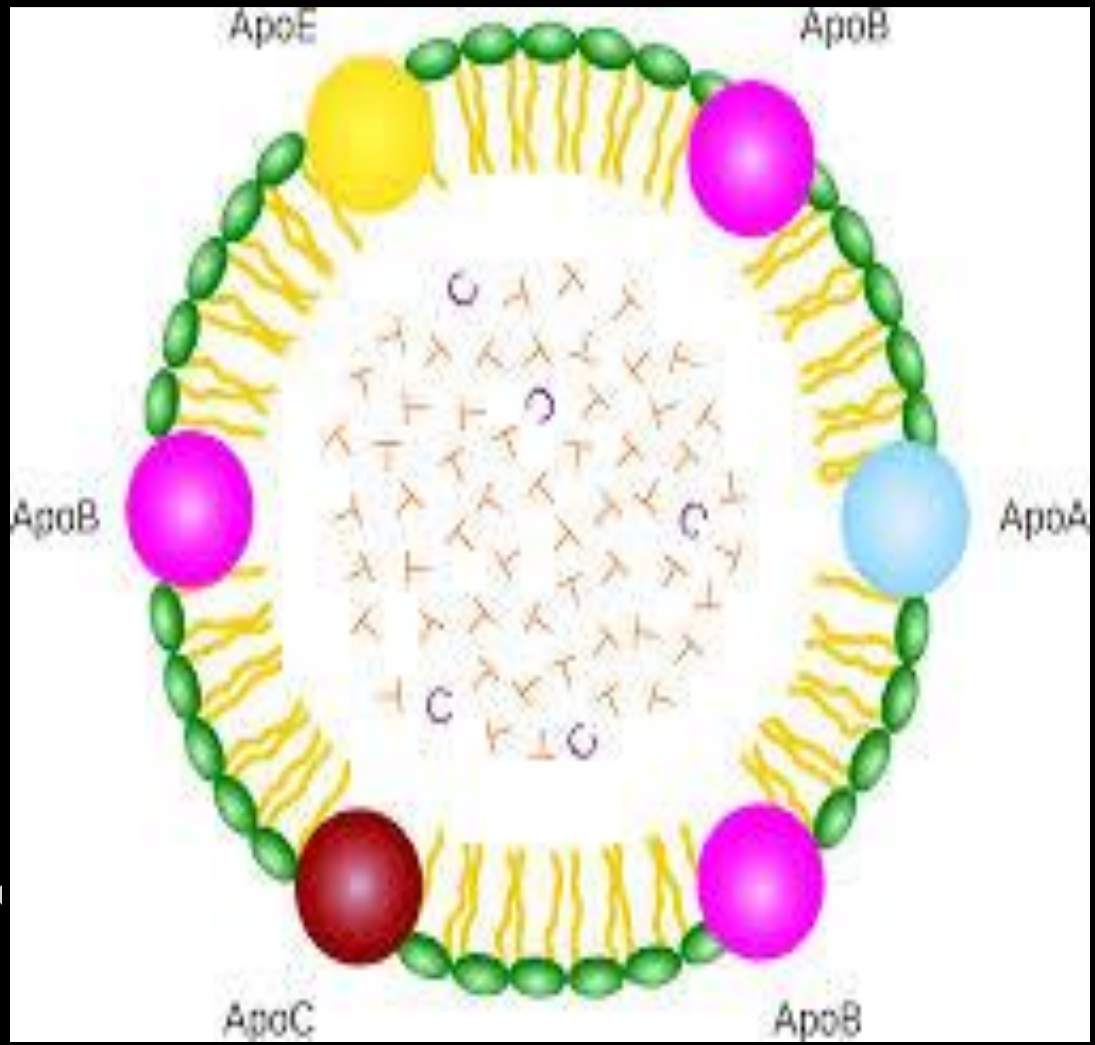
- Small intestine has villi
- **Lacteal in its center**
- **Lipids are absorbed as micelle**



Intestinal fat absorption

- **Micelles** – spherical water soluble droplets formed by bile salts , phospholipids with fat in the center



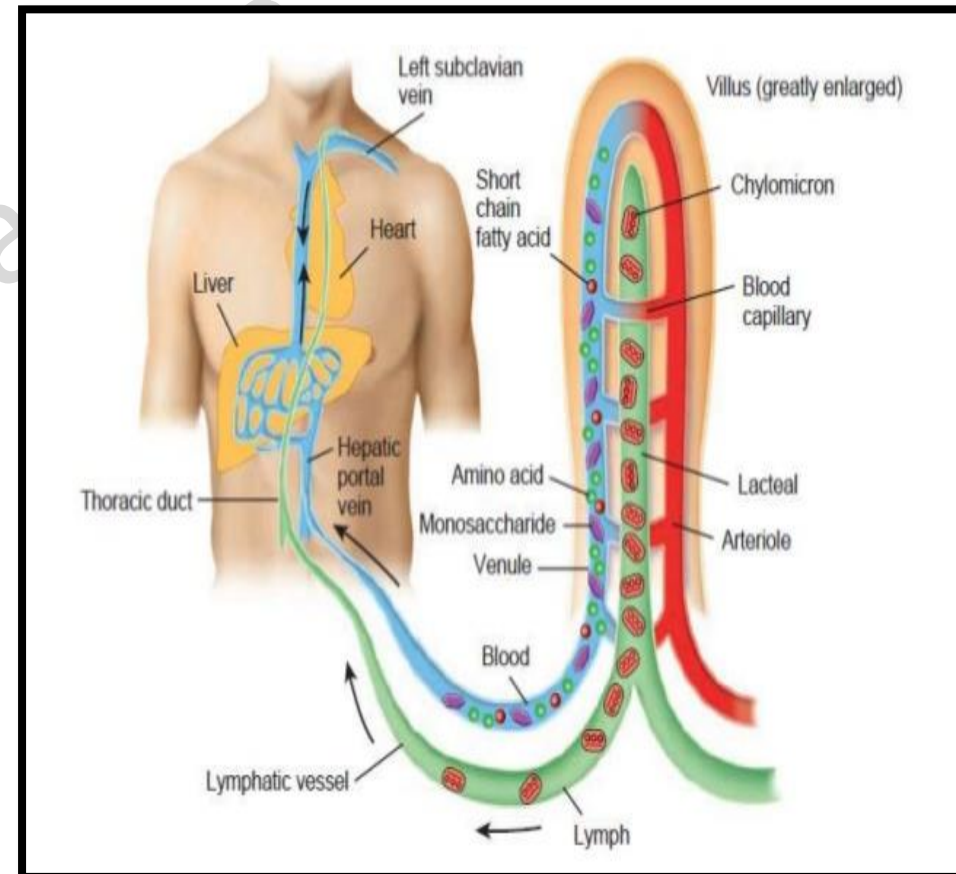


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- Lacteal after absorption of lipids

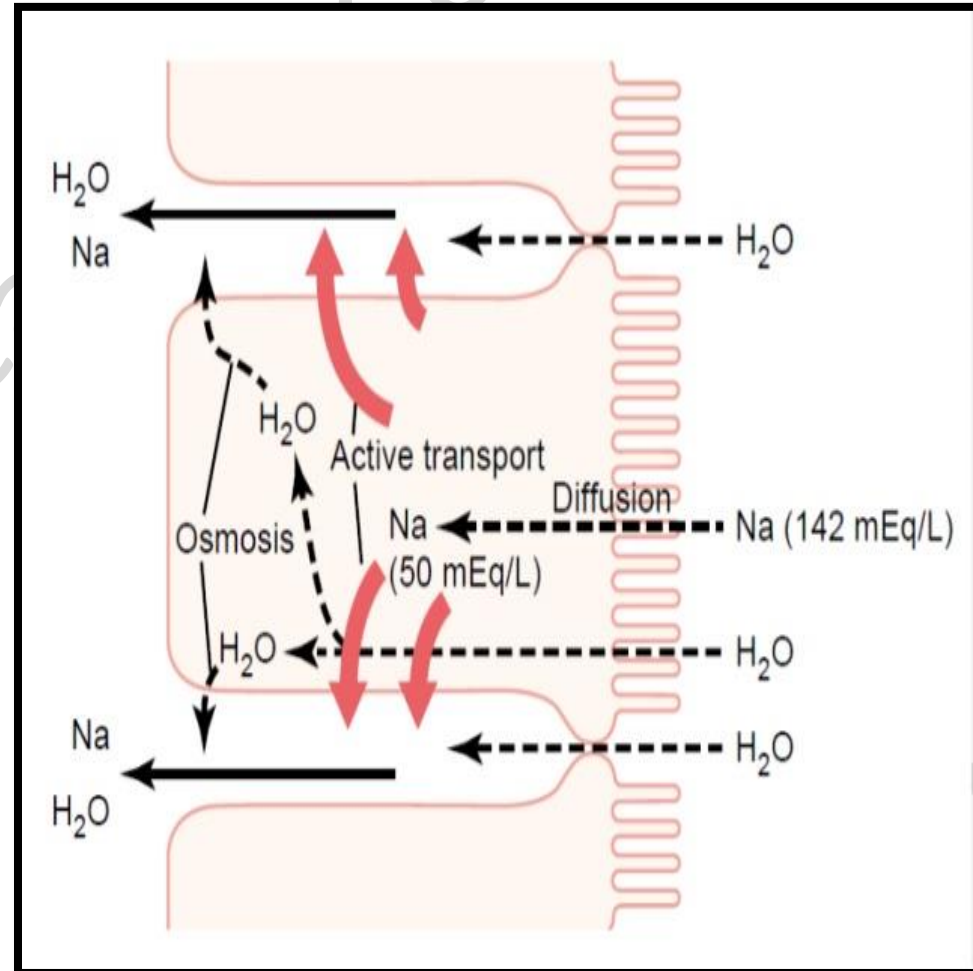
- Has white colored fluid

- **Chyle**



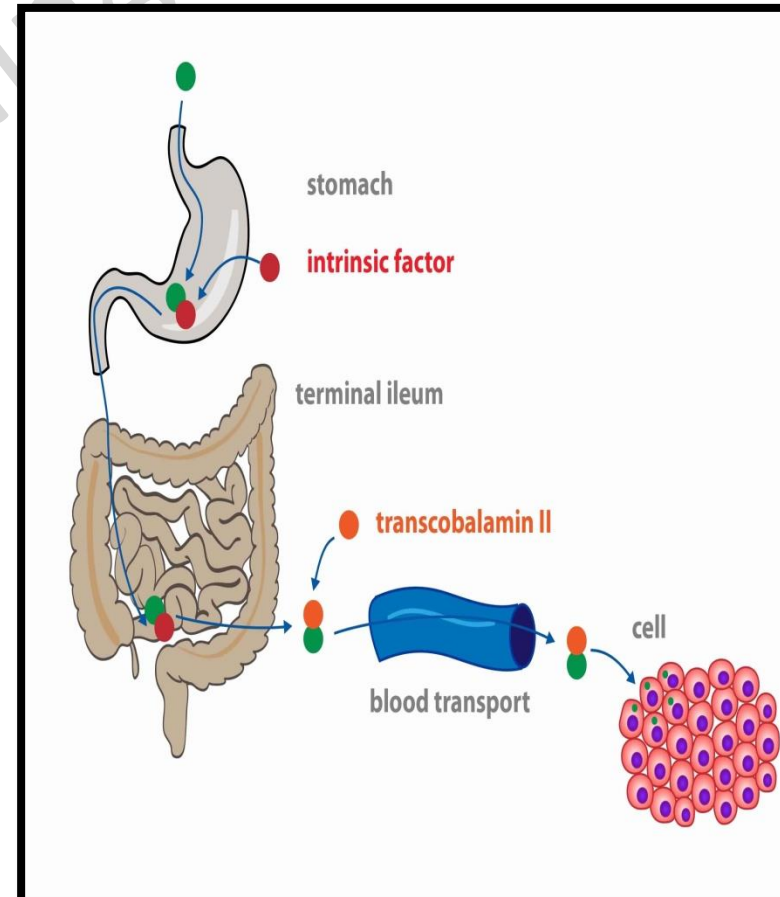
Water reabsorption

- Water reabsorbed with electrolytes & water soluble vitamins



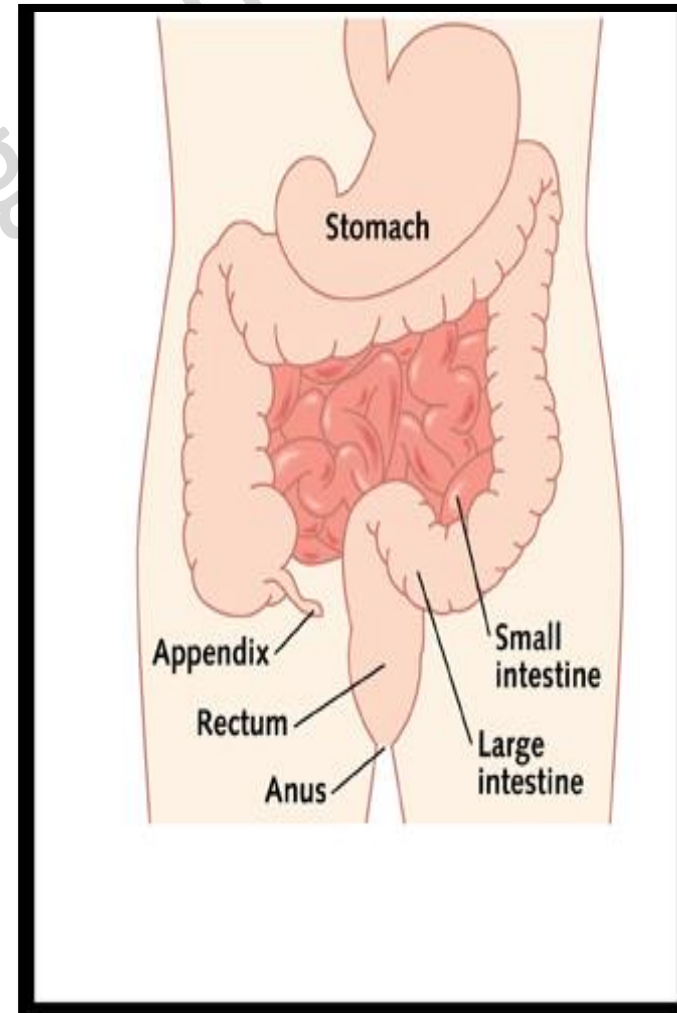
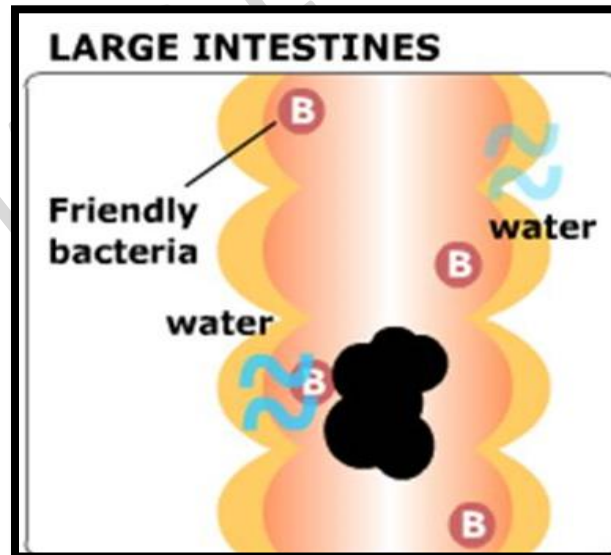
Vitamin B₁₂ reabsorption

- From Terminal Ileum
- With **Intrinsic Factor of castle**
- Released from **parietal cells of stomach**



Absorption in large intestine

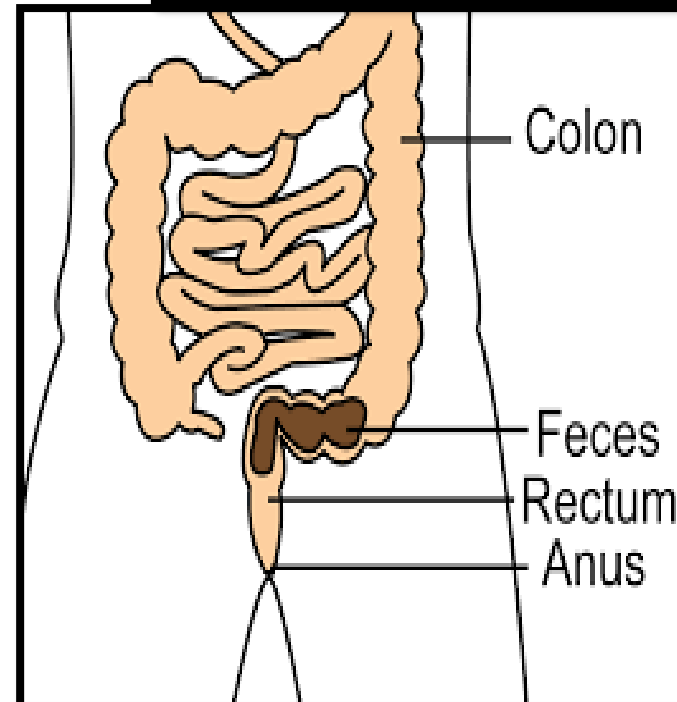
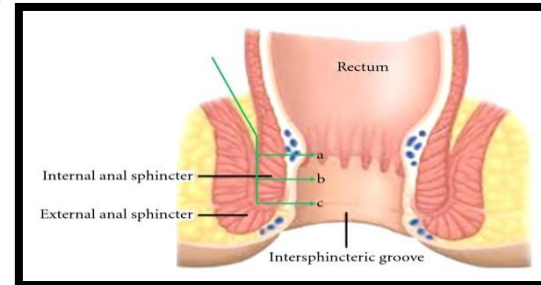
- Water
- **Vit – B complex**
- **Vit K**



Egestion

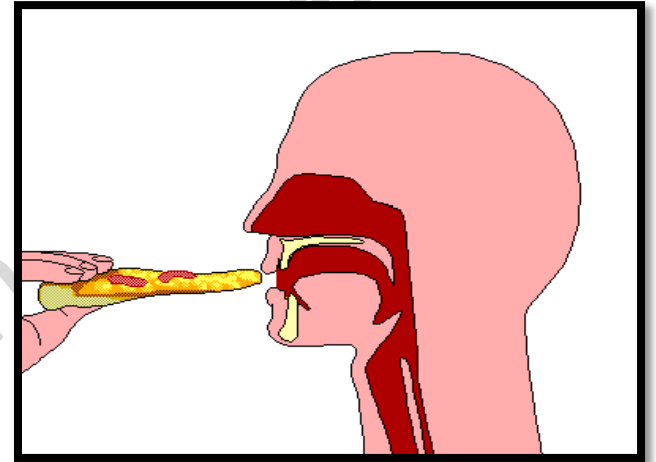


- **Excretion of undigested remains of food.**
- **Feaces is brown**
↓
- **Urobilin & stercobilin**
- Defecation is by movements of stomach, large intestine , rectum & anal sphincters.

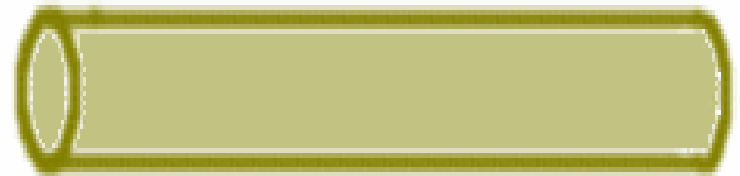


Movements of GIT

- Deglutition



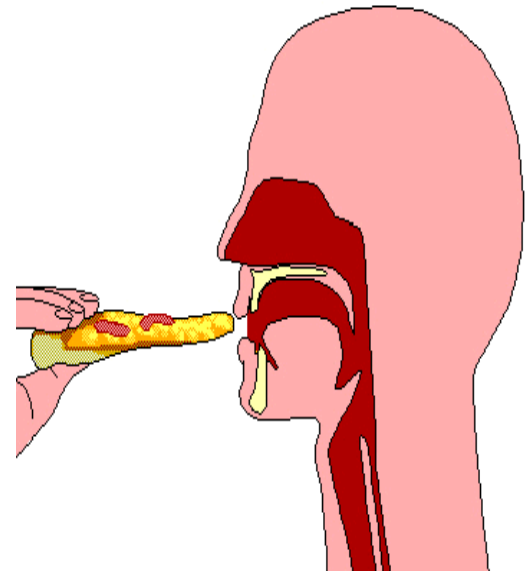
- Segmentation Contractions



- Peristalsis



Deglutition is a process by which bolus is moved from mouth into stomach via esophagus.



Stages of deglutition

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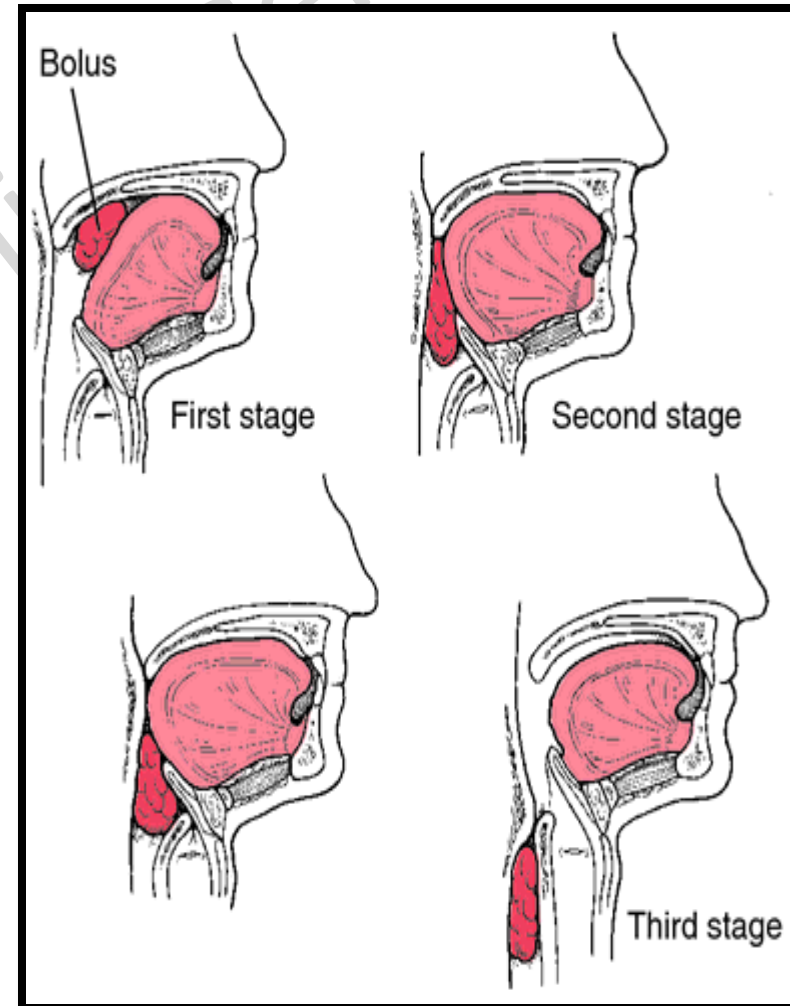
[voluntary]

2. PHARYNGEAL STAGE

[Involuntary]

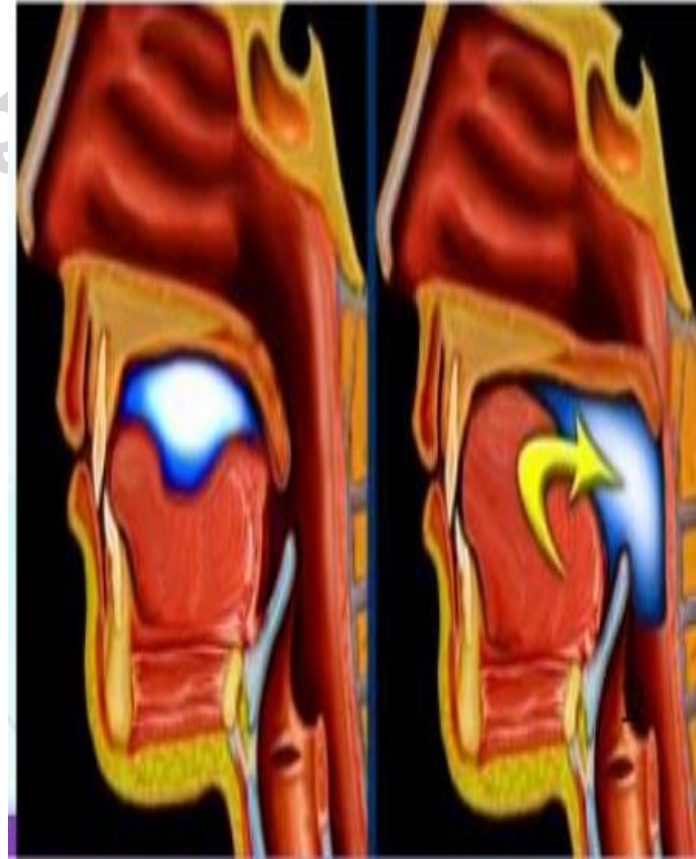
3. ESOPHAGEAL STAGE

[Involuntary]



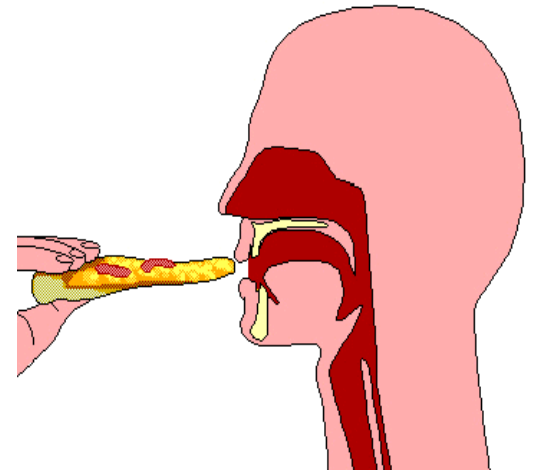
ORAL STAGE

- Voluntary stage
- Bolus is pushed from oral cavity into the pharynx
- Tongue is elevated and pressed against hard palate .
- Develops positive pressure in the posterior part of the oral cavity
- Which pushes bolus into pharynx



PHARYNGEAL STAGE

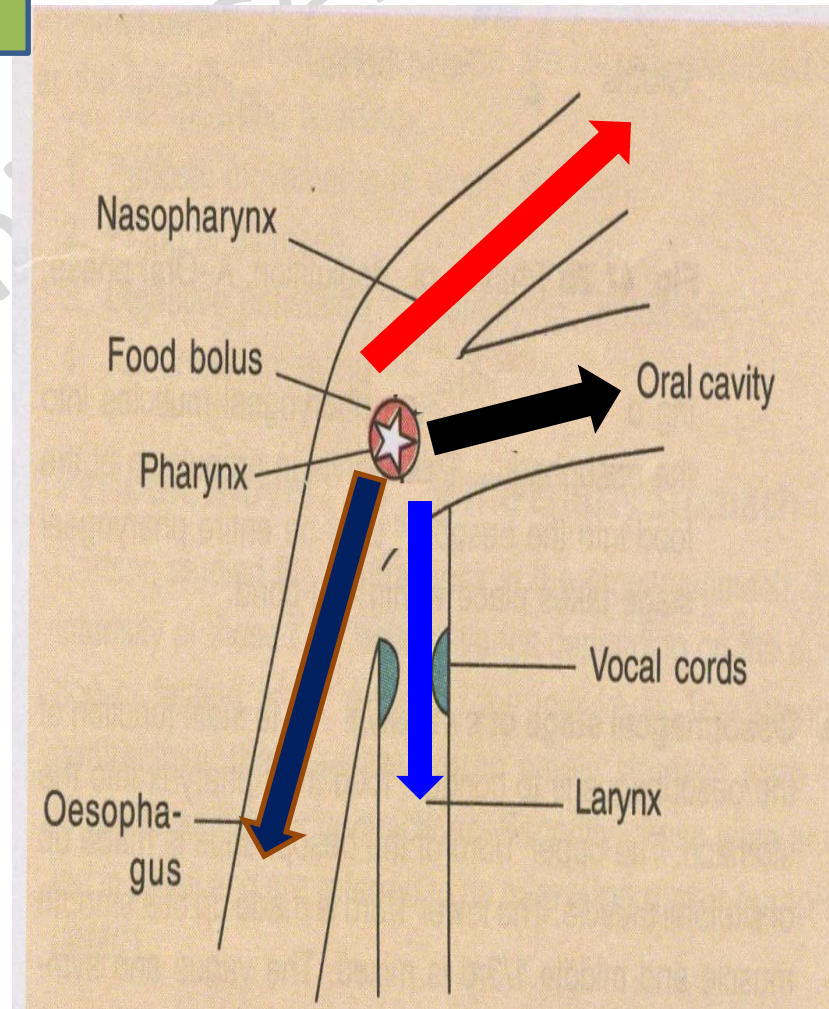
- **involuntary stage**
- **Bolus is pushed from pharynx into esophagus**



PHARYNGEAL STAGE

4 possible exits for bolus

- ❖ back into mouth
- ❖ upwards into nasopharynx
- ❖ forward into larynx
- ❖ entrance into esophagus



BACK INTO THE MOUTH

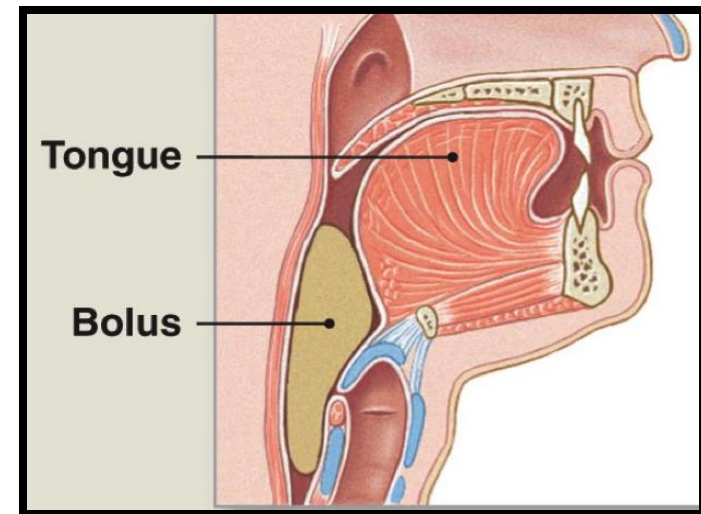
➤ **Tongue is positioned against palate**



➤ **Raised intraoral pressure**



➤ **Prevents backward movement of bolus into mouth**

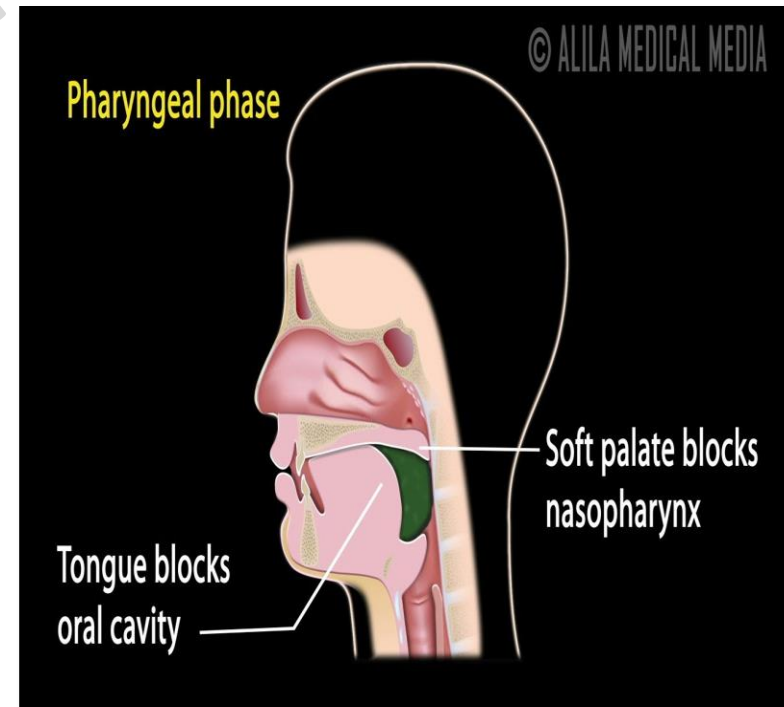


2. Upwards into nasopharynx

➤ **Upward movement of soft palate**

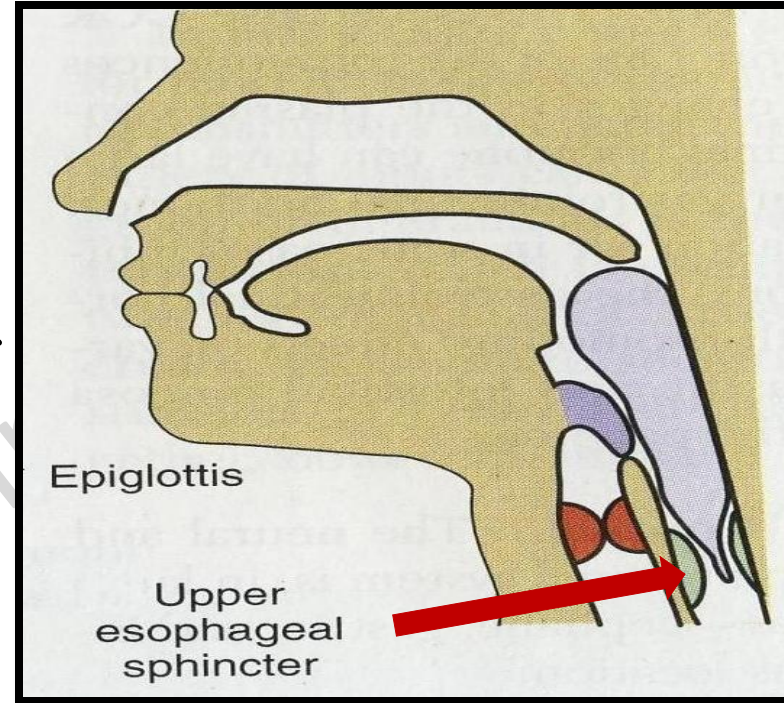


➤ **blocks posterior nares**



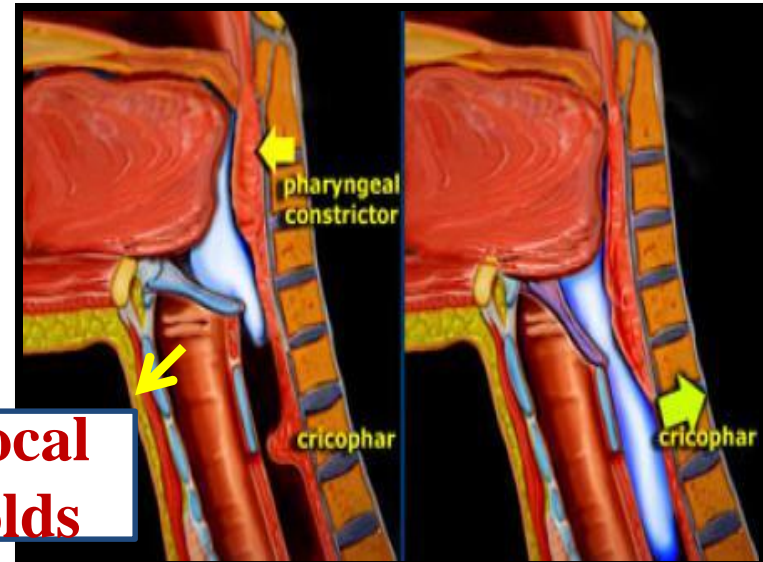
3. Forward into larynx

- Approximation of vocal folds
- Forward and upward movement of larynx
- Epiglottis swing back over the laryngeal opening



Prevents bolus from entering trachea

- **Causes temporary arrest of breathing.**

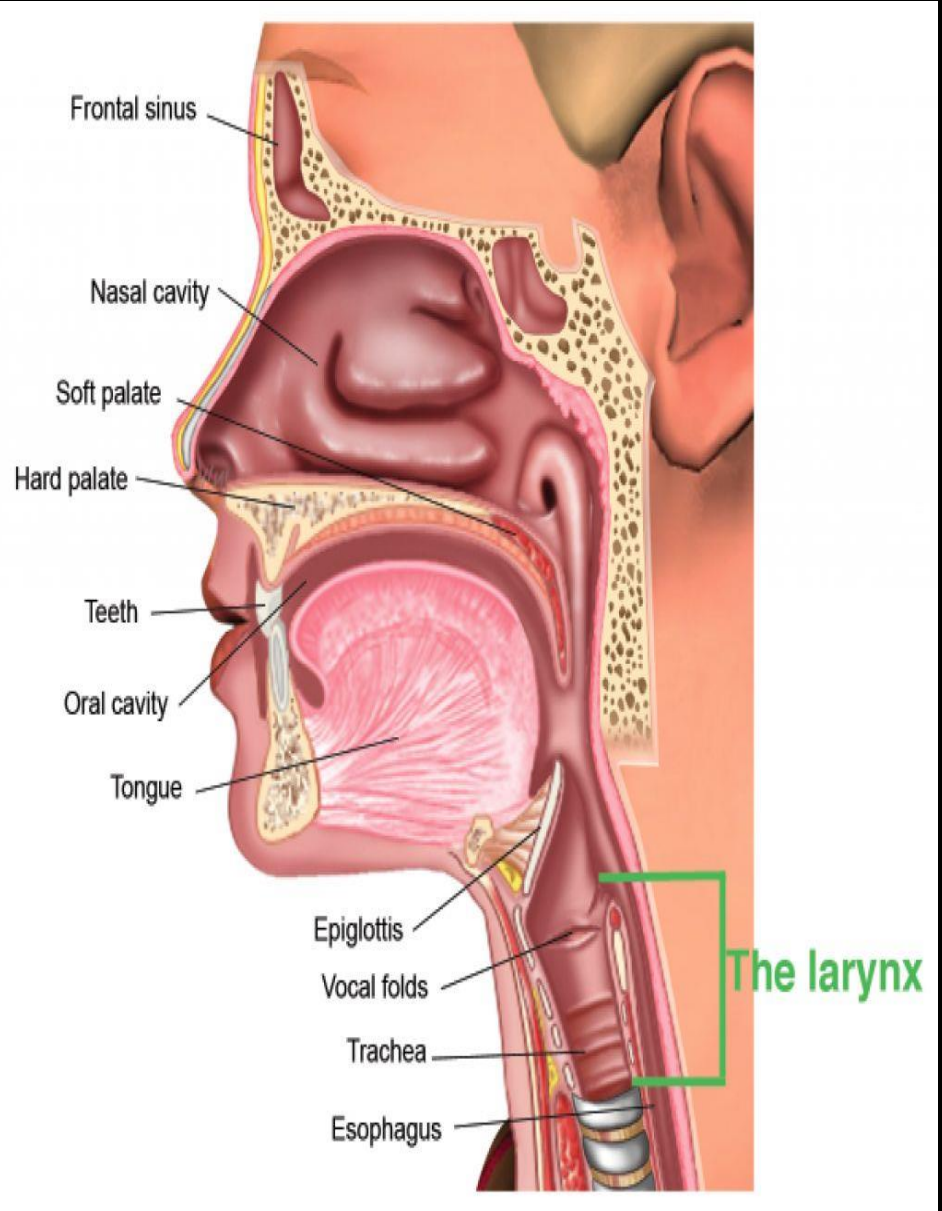


Vocal folds



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Frontal sinus

Nasal cavity

Soft palate

Hard palate

Teeth

Oral cavity

Tongue

Epiglottis

Vocal folds

Trachea

Esophagus

The larynx

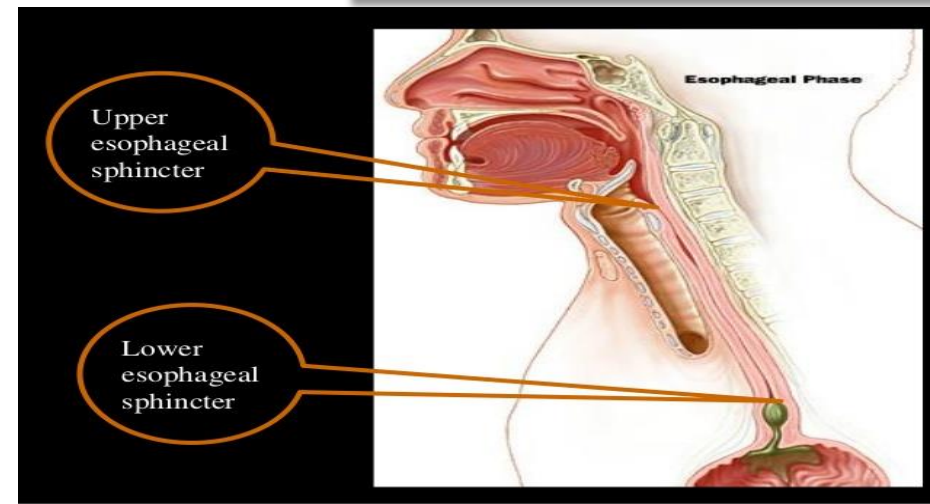
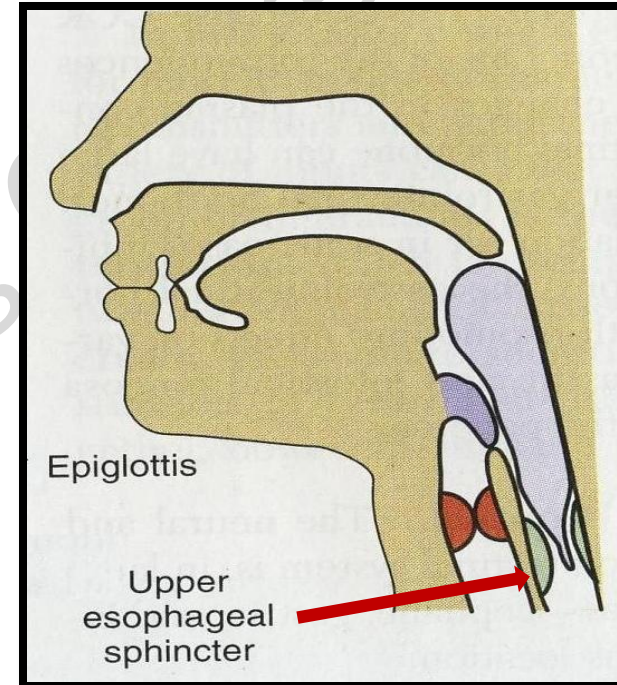
4. BOLUS INTO ESOPHAGUS

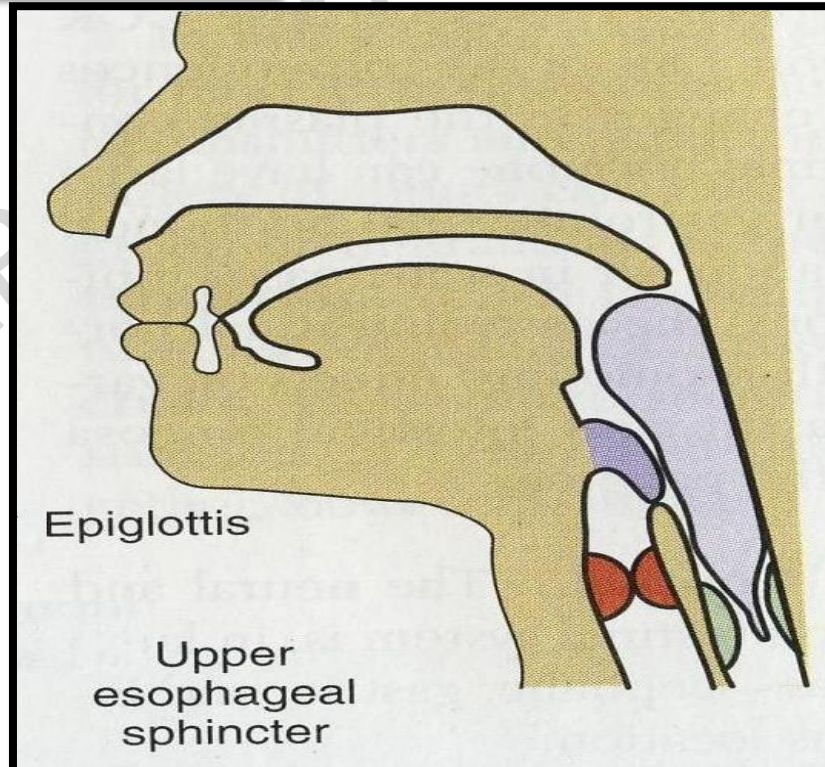
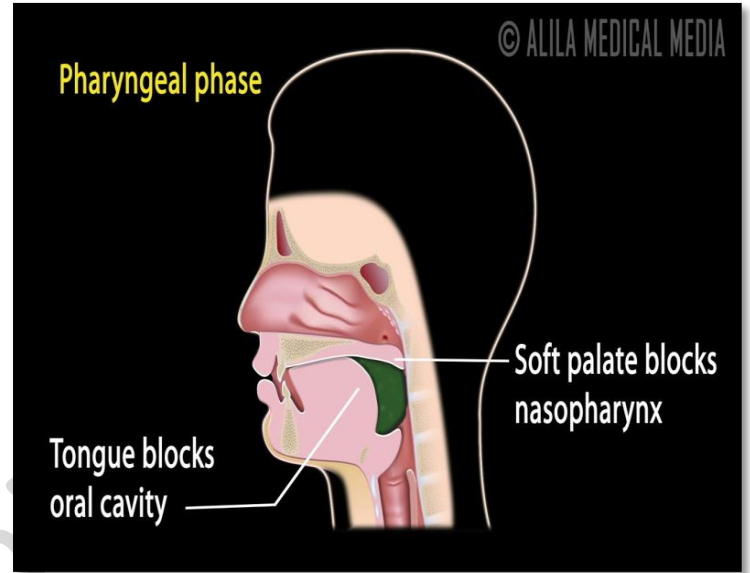
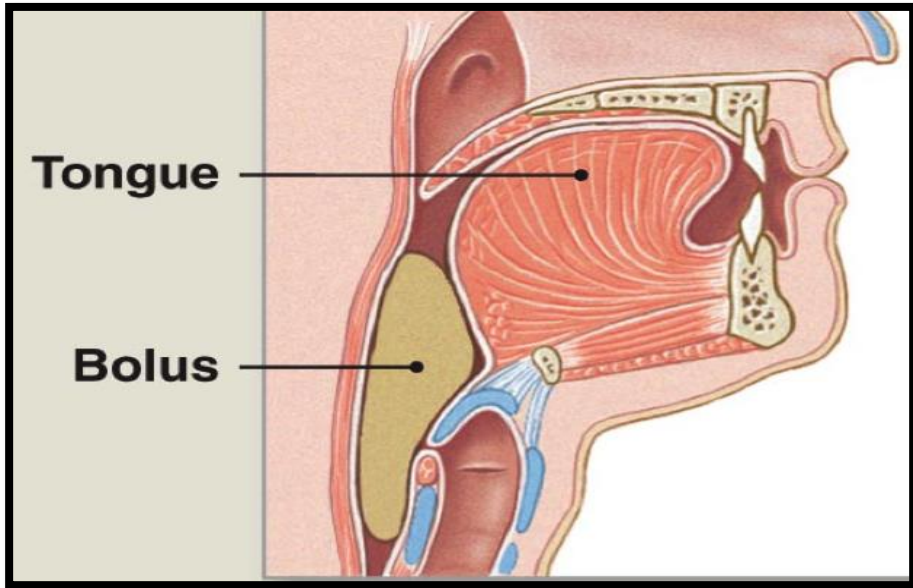
- Upward movement of larynx by neck muscles



Relaxes upper esophageal sphincter

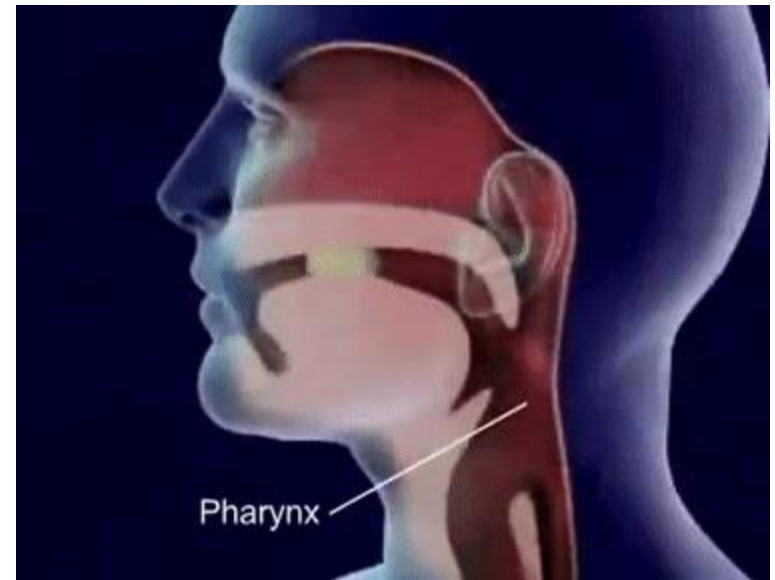
- Bolus enters esophagus





Pharyngeal stage of deglutition

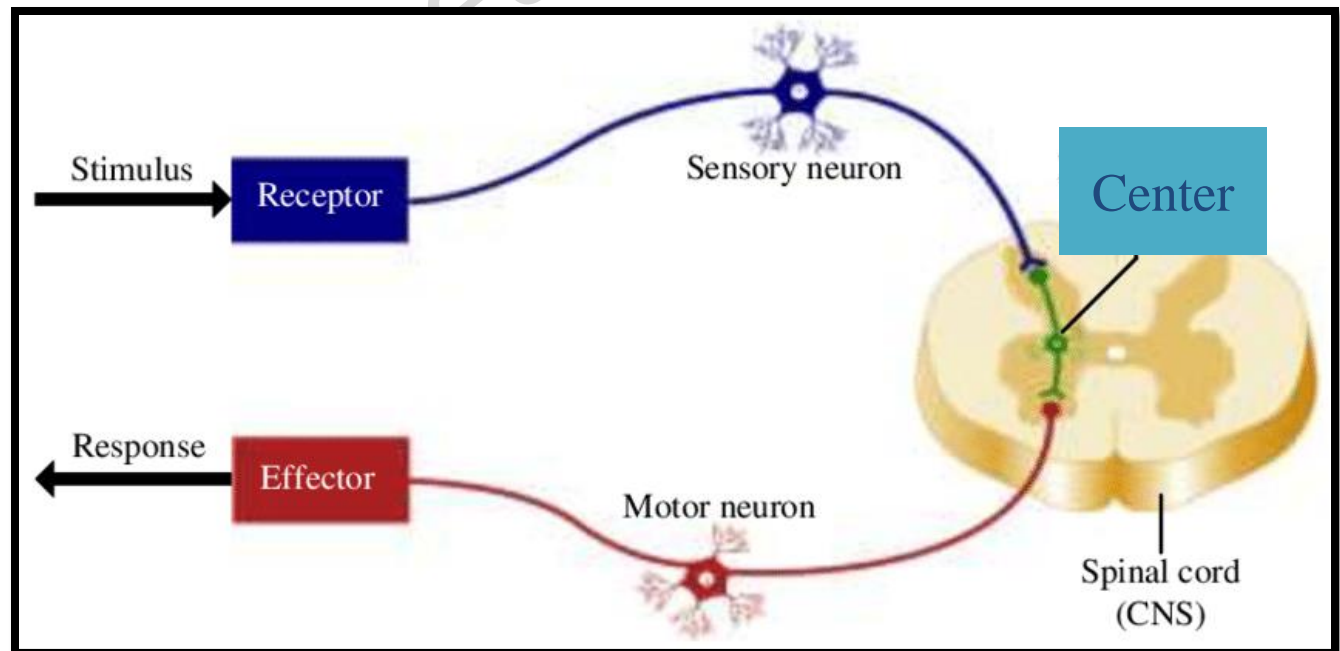
- Involves co-ordinated movements of soft palate, larynx, vocal folds and upper esophageal sphincter.
- Entire process is **involuntary (reflexive)**
- Called **Deglutition Reflex**
- **Time – 2 seconds**



What is a Reflex ?

- Is an instantaneous movement in response to stimulus due to neural pathways.

• Components of reflex arc



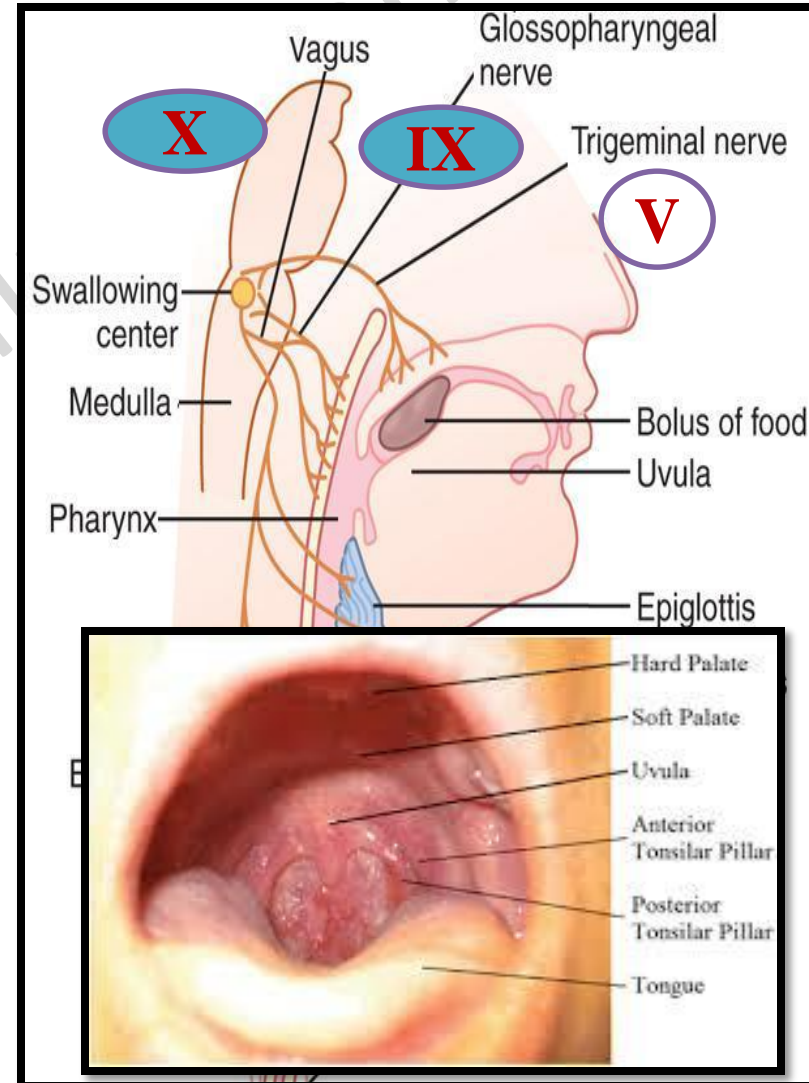
DEGLUTITION REFLEX

Stimulus : Bolus in pharynx

Receptors-

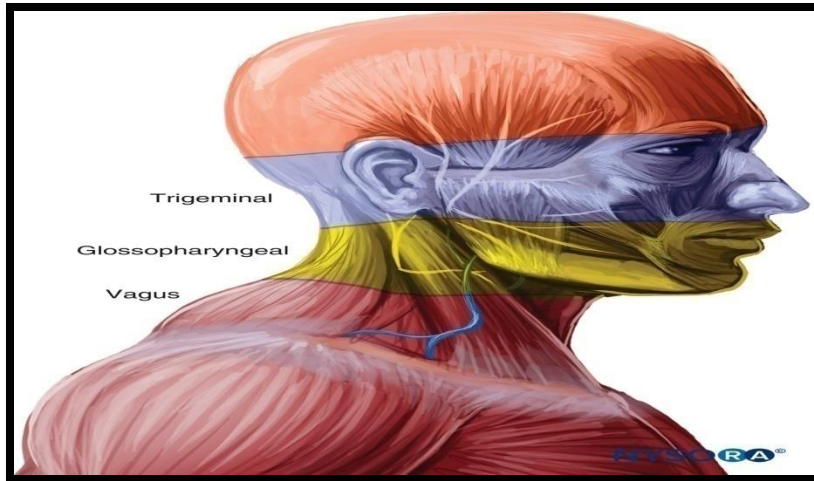
Mechano & tactile receptors in tonsillar pillars, posterior pharyngeal wall, soft palate, epiglottis

Afferent – V, IX, X cranial nerves



DEGLUTITION REFLEX

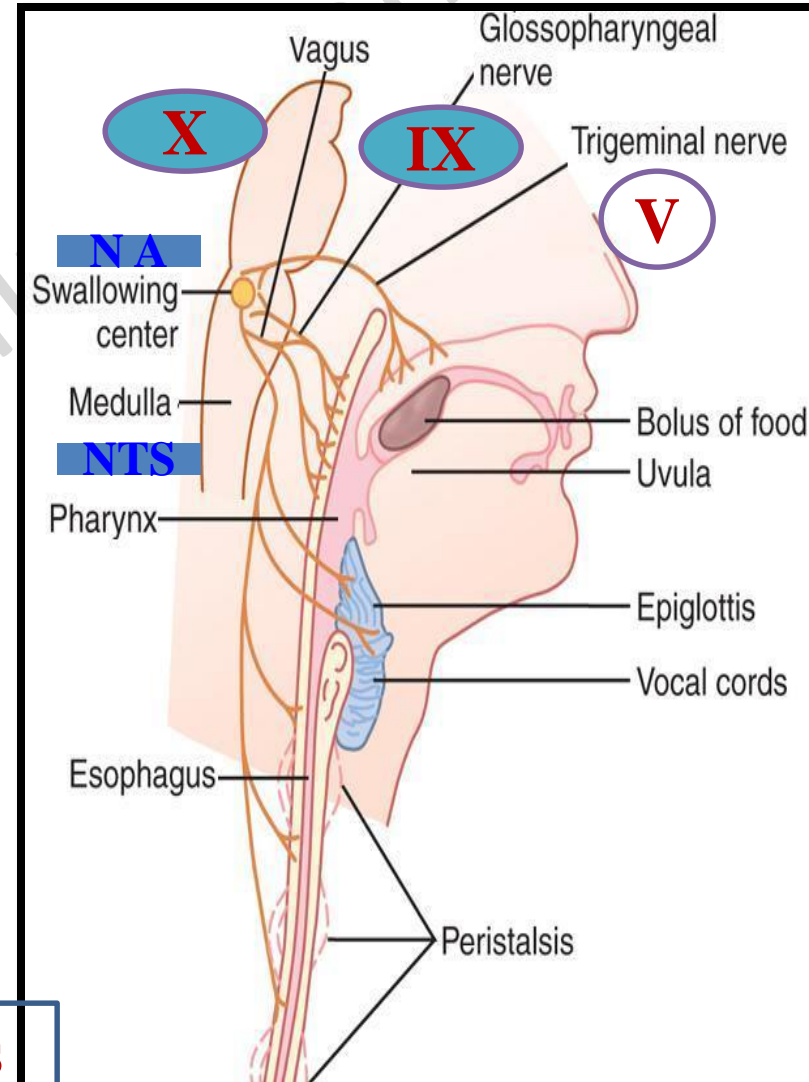
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Deglutition center-

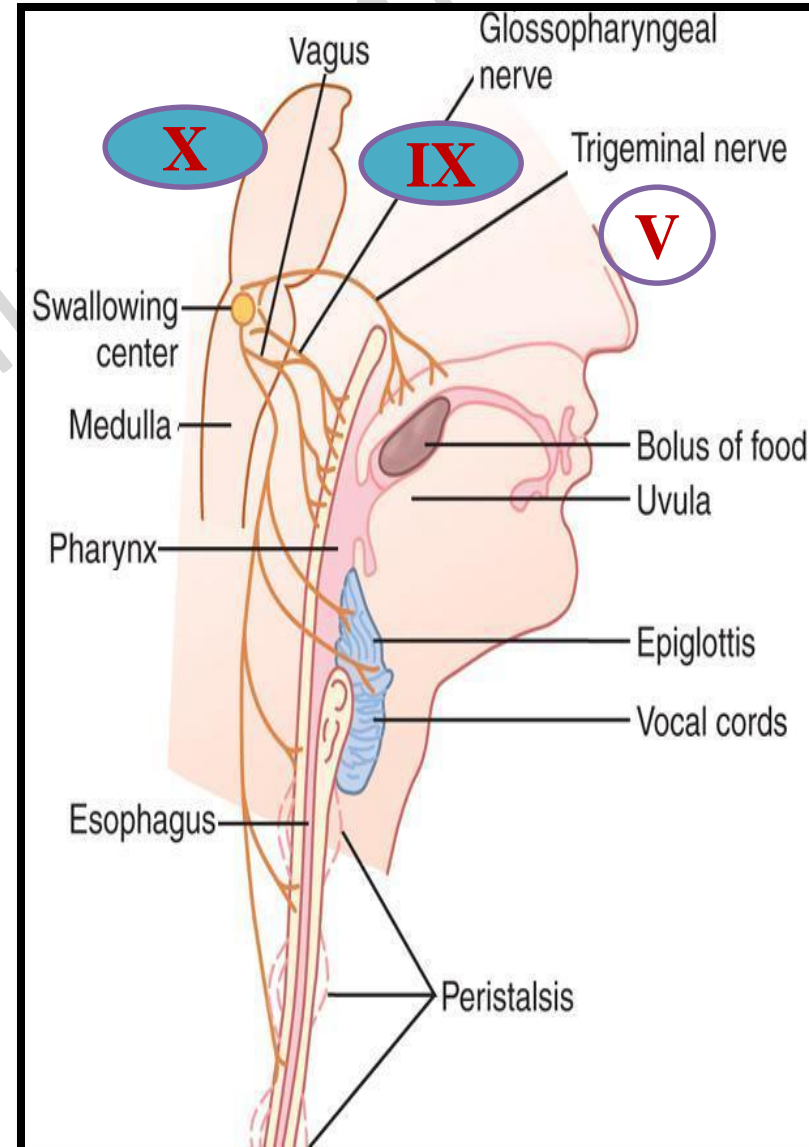
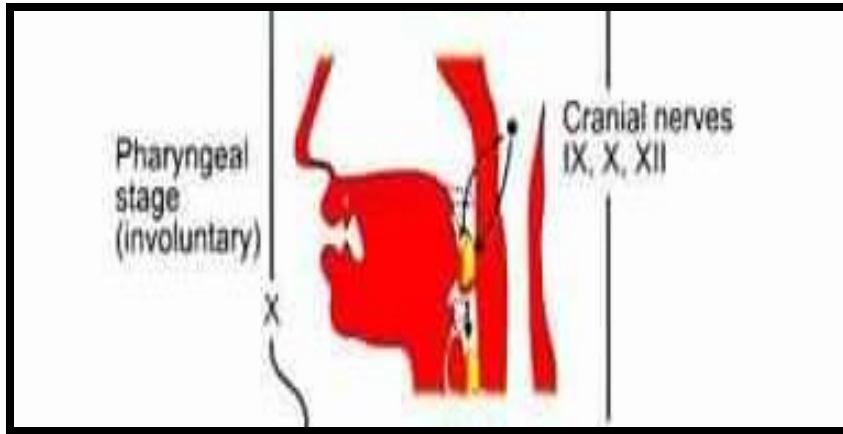
lower pons & medulla

Nucleus Tractus solitarius, N Ambiguus



DEGLUTITION REFLEX

Efferent – Motor impulses via
V, IX, X, XII cranial nerves



Effect – muscular contraction in
pharynx & larynx

DEGLUTITION REFLEX

Stimulus : Bolus in pharynx

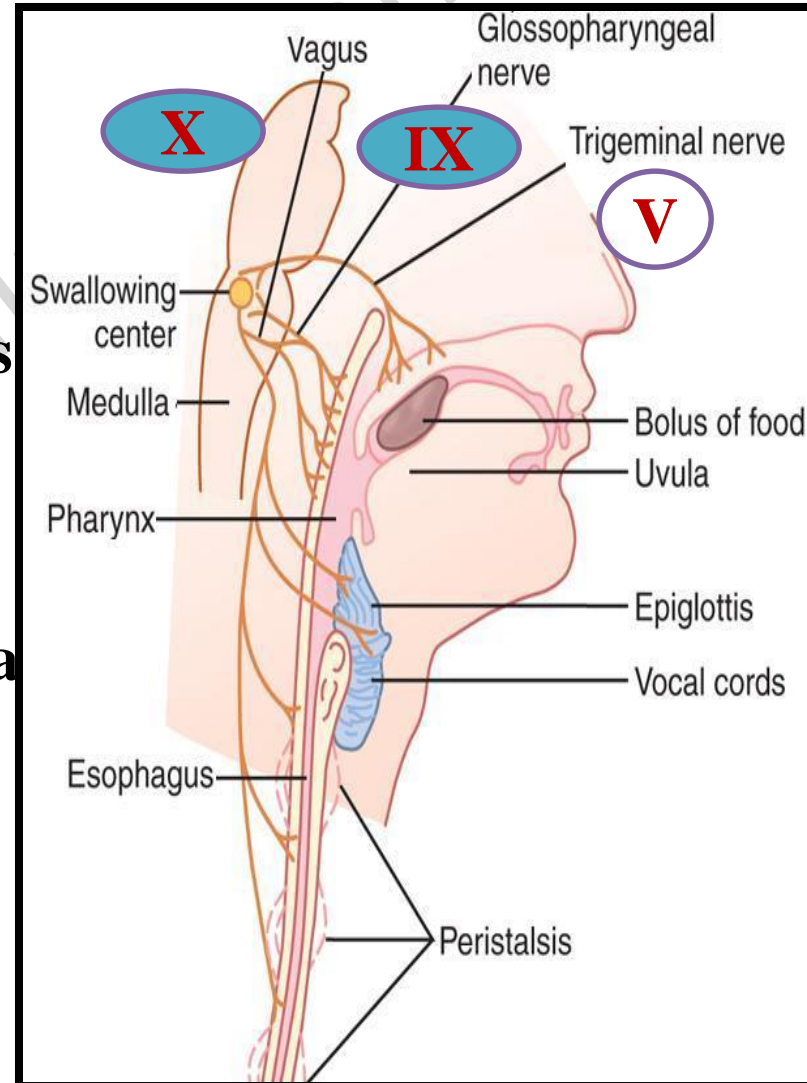
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Afferent – V, IX, X cranial nerves

Deglutition center-lower pons & medulla

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Effect – muscular contraction in pharynx & larynx



DEGLUTITION REFLEX

Food in Pharynx



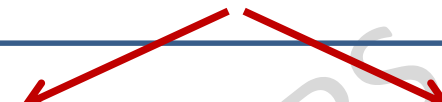
stimulates tactile receptors of pharynx



afferents via sensory division of V, IX nerve



to Deglutition centre in Pons & Medulla

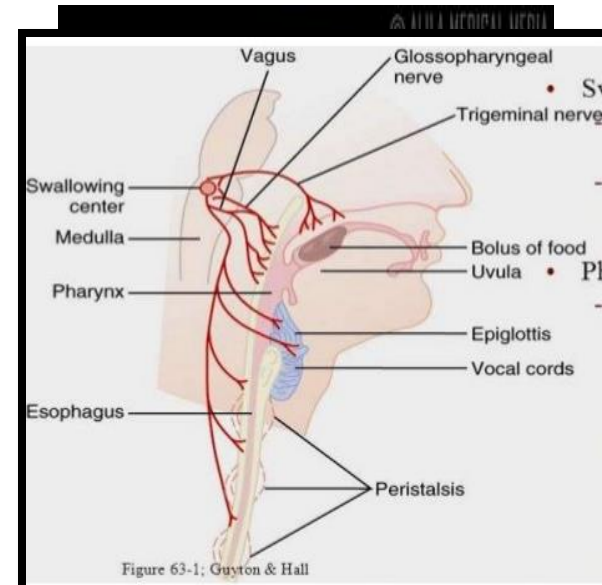


inhibits respiratory centre

Motor impulses V, IX, X, XII

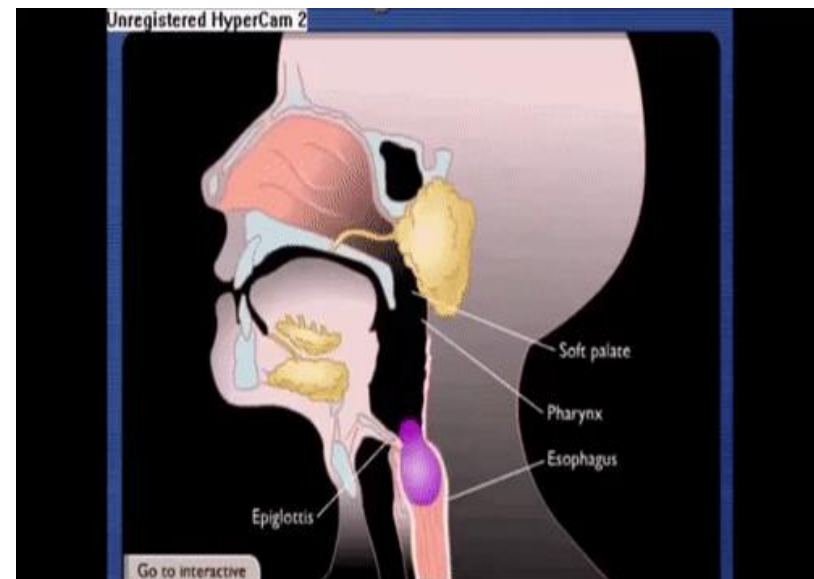
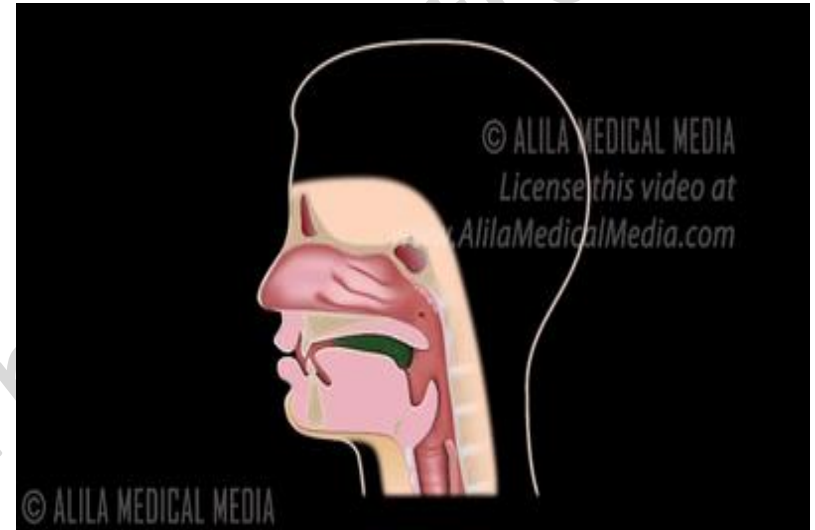
Deglutition Apnea

- movement of soft palate
- approximation of vocal cords , closure of epiglottis
- esophageal sphincter relax



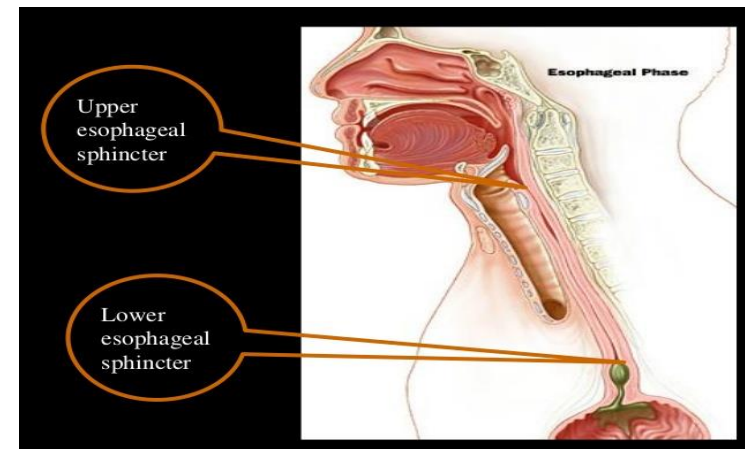
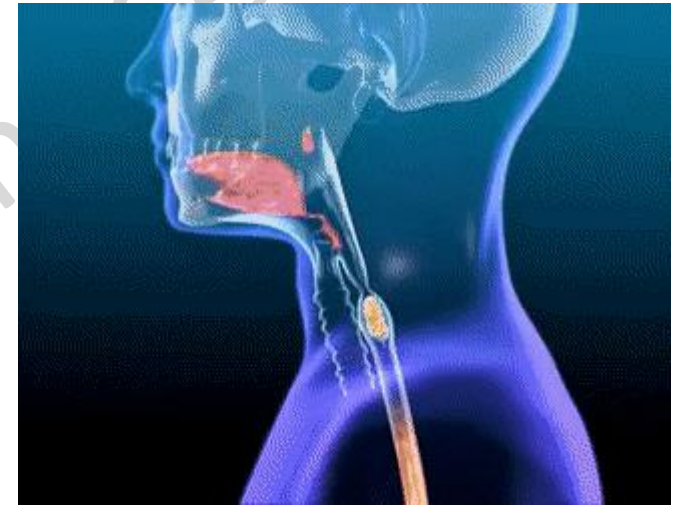
Changes in Pharyngeal stage of deglutition

- **Upward movement of soft palate**
 - closes posterior nares
- **Approximation of vocal folds**
- **Upward movement of larynx**
 - Relaxes upper esophageal sphincter
- **Epiglottis swings over glottis**
 - Temporary arrest of breathing
- **Strong wave of contraction begins in pharyngeal muscle**



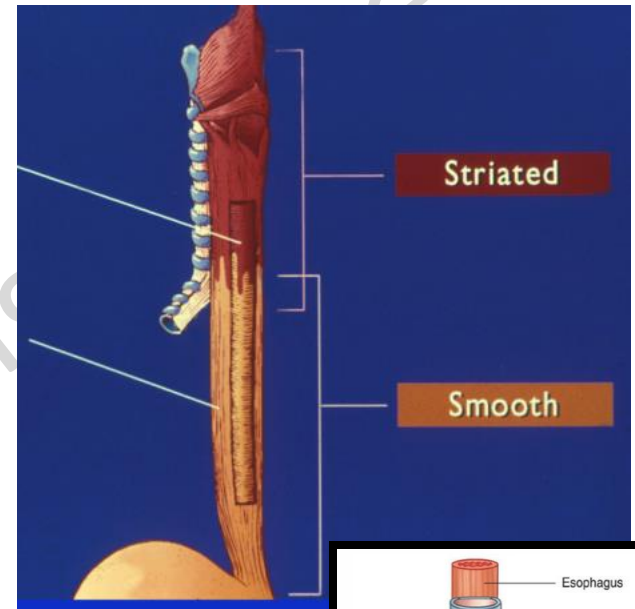
ESOPHAGEAL STAGE

- **Movement of bolus from upper esophagus to stomach**
- **involuntary stage**
- **By Peristaltic contractions of muscular wall of esophagus**
- **Time – 8 – 10 seconds**

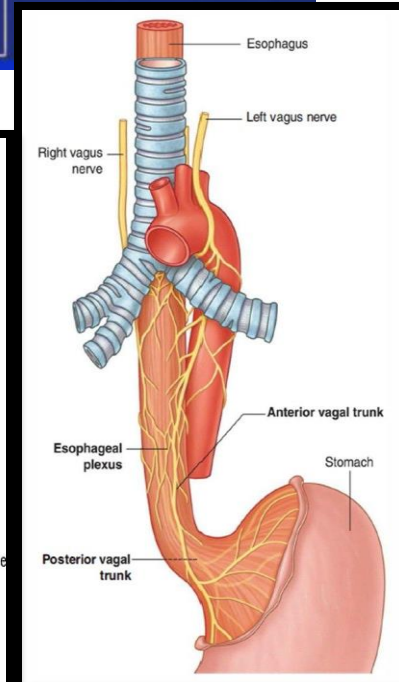
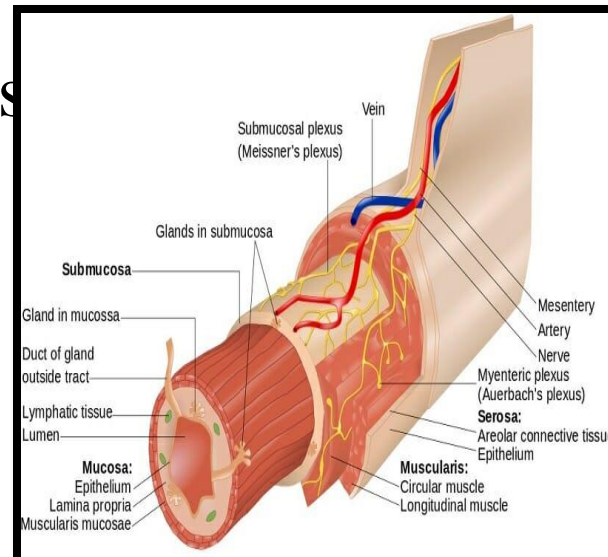


Anatomy of oesophagus

- Hollow muscular organ
- Length: 25cm
- Upper 1/3rd : skeletal muscle
- Lower 2/3rd: smooth muscle



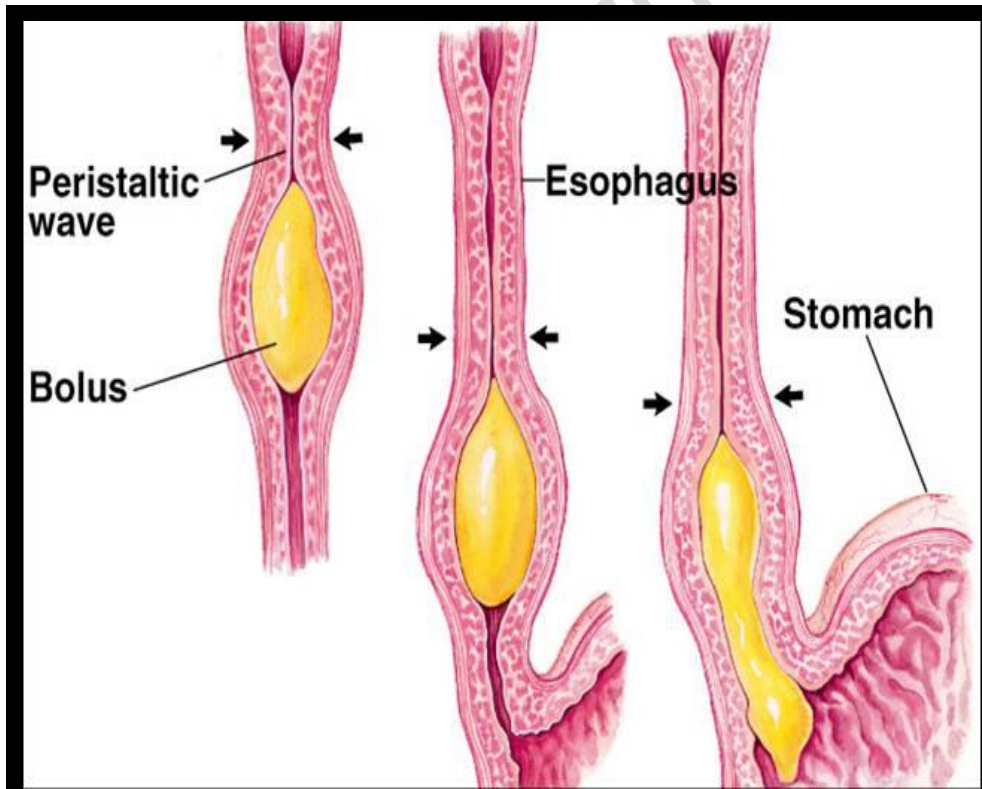
- Innervation of muscles
- Intrinsic – Myenteric plexus
- Extrinsic – Vagus nerve



Esophageal stage is aided by
two types of peristalsis

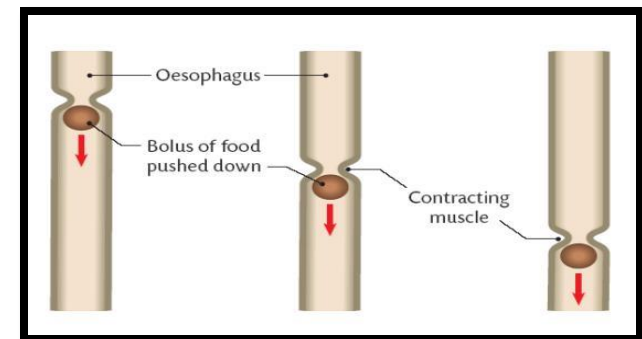
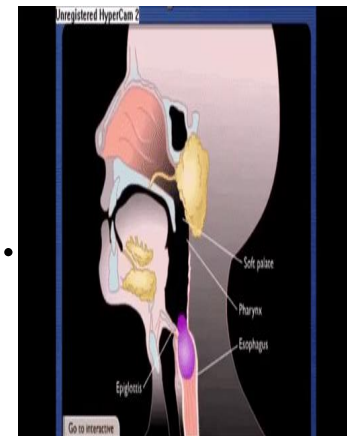
Primary Peristalsis

Secondary Peristalsis



Primary Oesophageal peristalsis-

- A wave of contraction preceded by wave of relaxation
- propels the food through the esophagus to the stomach
- Is the continuation of pharyngeal peristaltic wave.
- Mediated by --- Vagus (extrinsic) Nerve from deglutition centre.



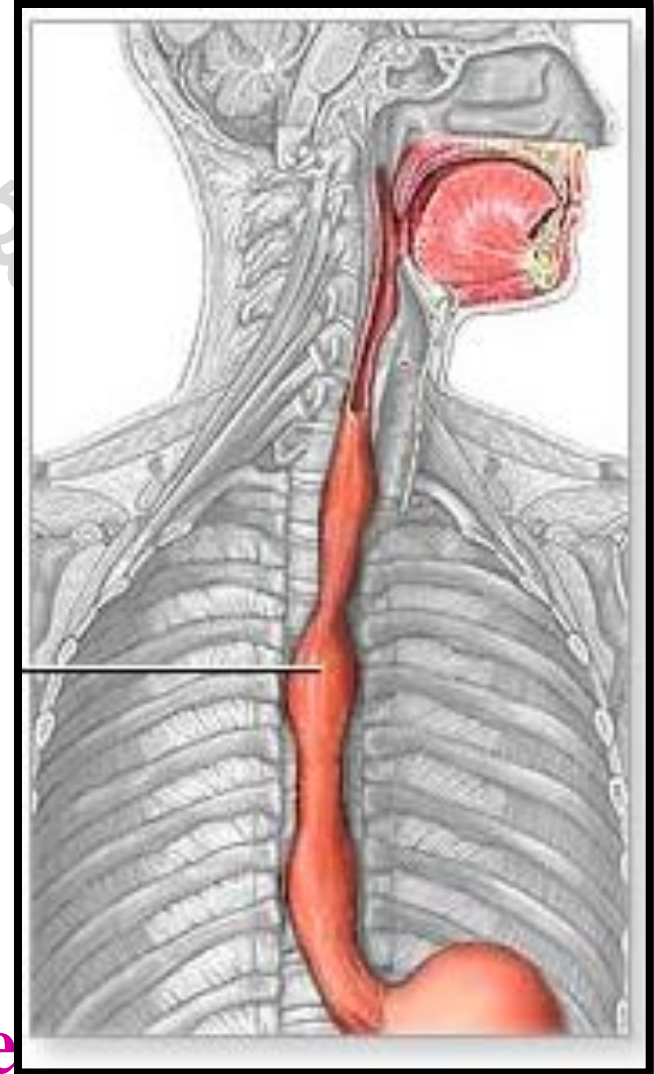
If the primary peristaltic wave fails to push bolus

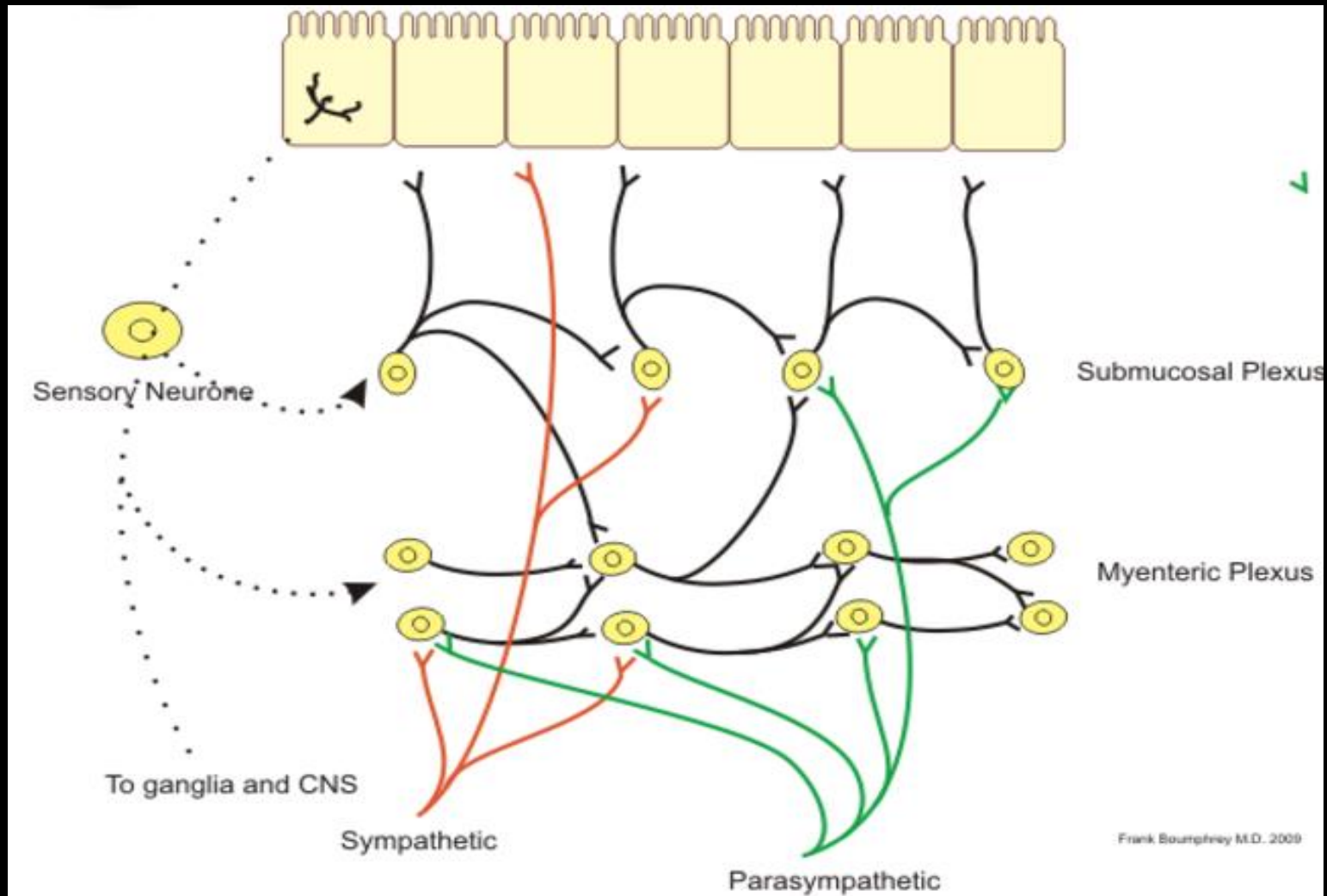
↓
Accumulated food in esophagus

↓
Stimulates stretch & tactile receptors of esophageal wall

↓
Stimulation of myentric plexus

↓
initiates secondary peristalsis
Later supported by vagus nerve





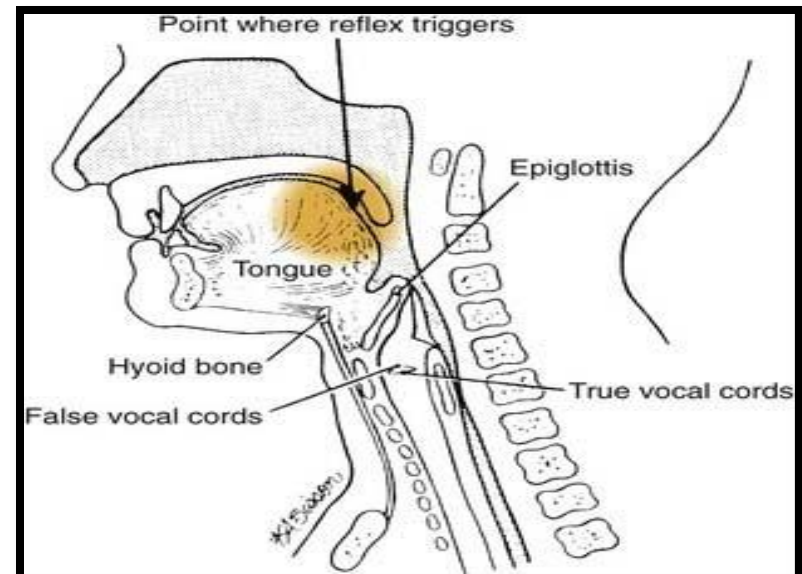
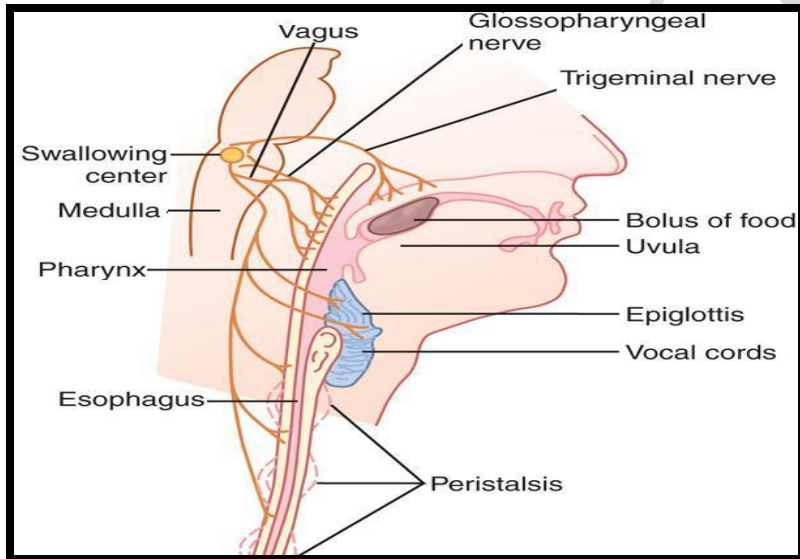
Sensory nerves from receptors sends signals to myentric plexus and to medulla

Disorders of deglutition

1) Absence of deglutition reflex

Cause: Paralysis of V, IX, X cranial nerve.

Effect : Regurgitation of food into nasal cavity
Aspiration into trachea.



2) Aerophagia

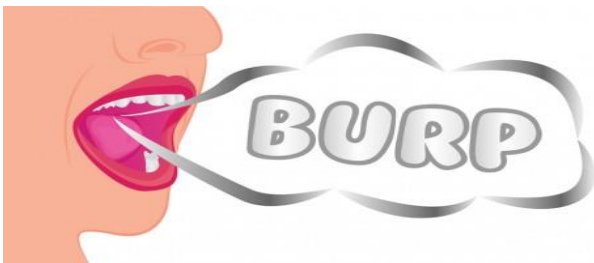


unavoidable swallowing of air along with food and liquids

Cause : Reduced tone of upper esophageal sphincter

Swallowed air

Regurgitates to oral cavity (burp)



passes into colon

colonic bacteria converts it to flatus

3) Dysphagia

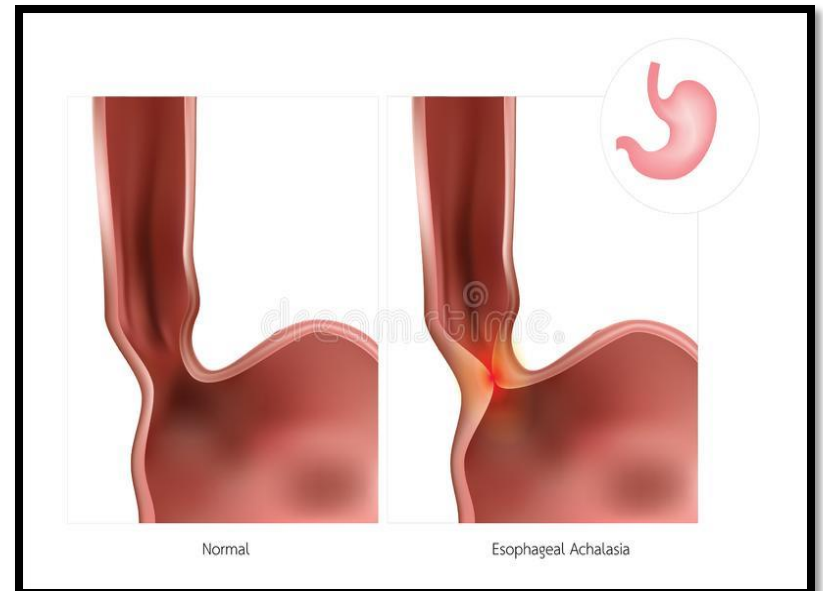
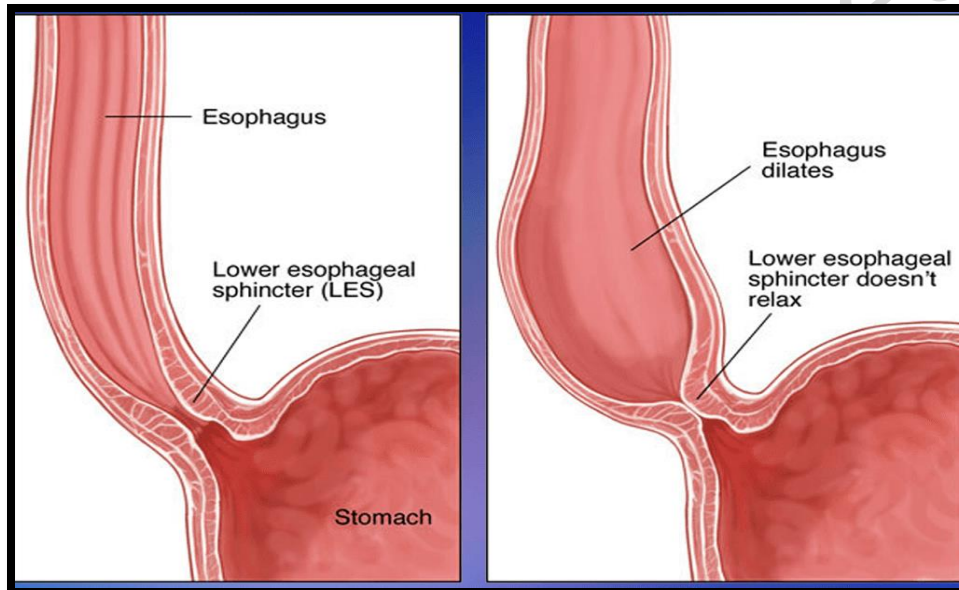
- Difficulty in swallowing

- Ex: - presence of foreign body in pharynx
- Pharyngitis
 - Inflammation of oral cavity



4) Achalasia cardia

- Accumulation of food in lower part of esophagus resulting in massive dilatation and infection of esophagus.



Achalasia cardia

Cause:

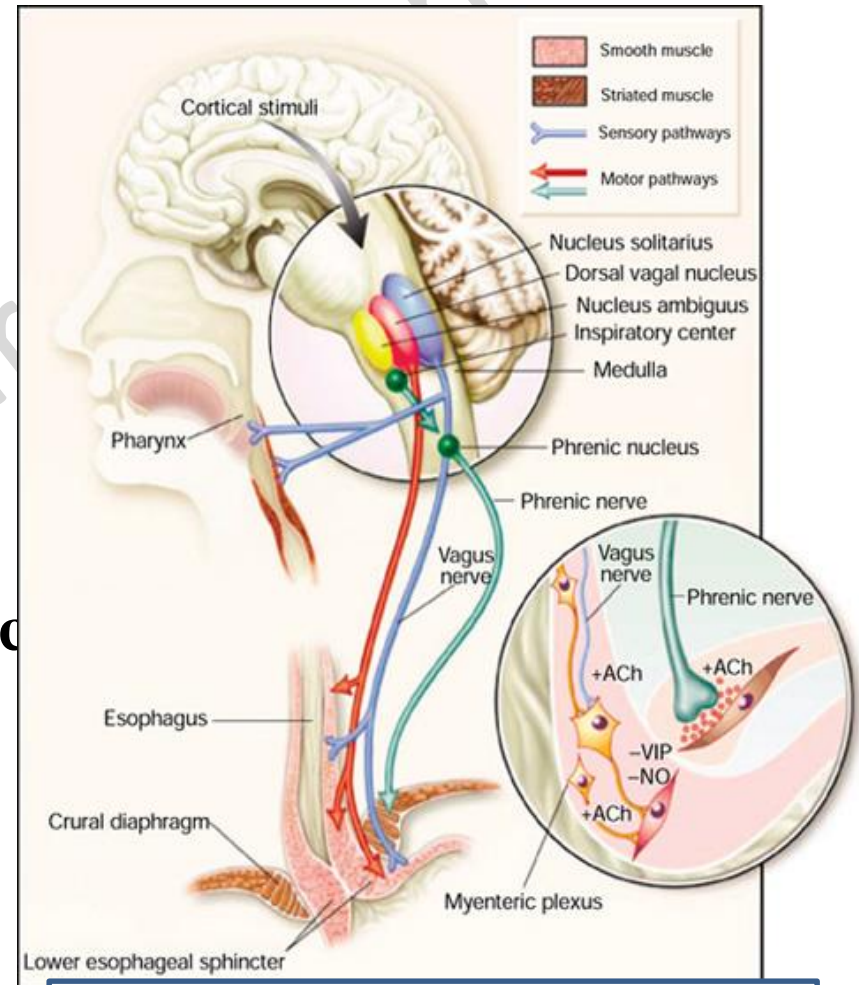
Degeneration of inhibitory fibers of Myenteric plexus at lower 2/3rd of esophagus



Defective release of inhibitory neurotransmitter - **NO** (nitric oxide), **VIP** (vasoactive intestinal polypeptide)



LES doesnot relax



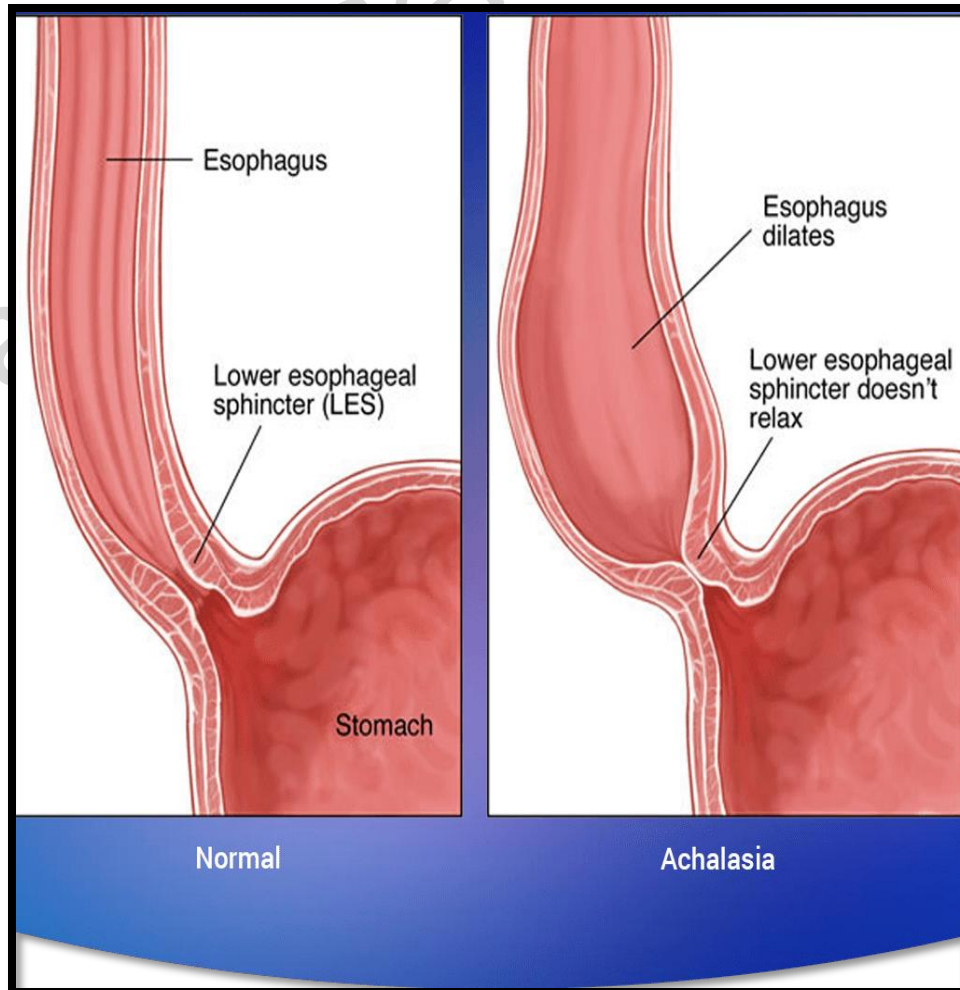
Increased tone of LES

Achalasia cardia

Disturbed emptying

**Esophageal accumulation
for months & years**

**Massive distension &
infection**

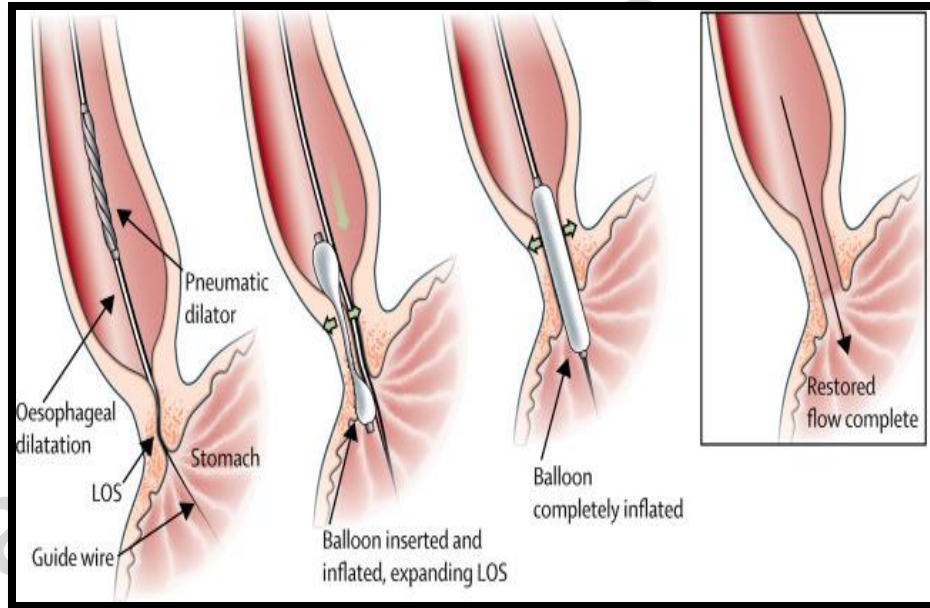


Achalasia cardia

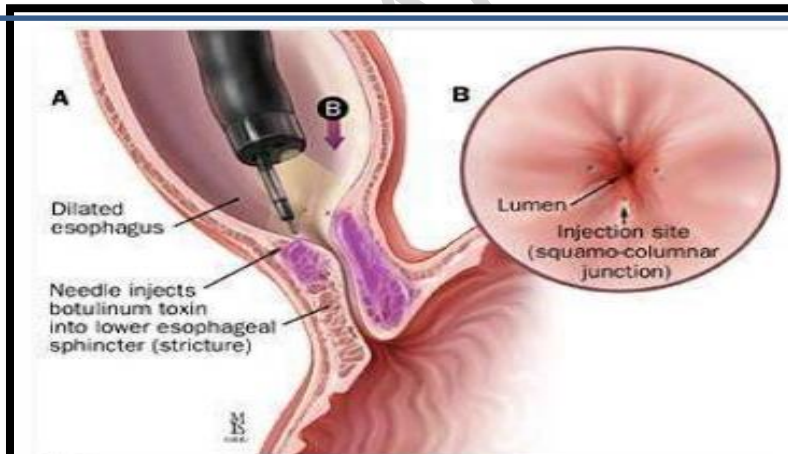
- Treatment:

1) Pneumatic dilatation

- Balloon insertion and inflation.



2) Injection of Botulinum toxin

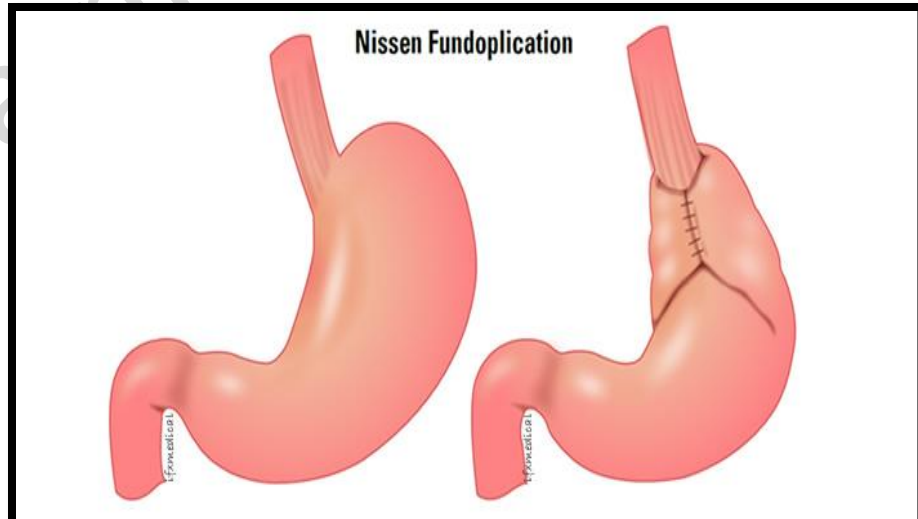
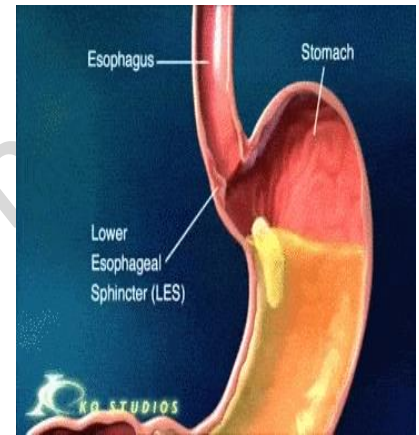


- Endoscopic injection into LOS.

**Relaxes
LES**

5) Gastric Reflux Disease

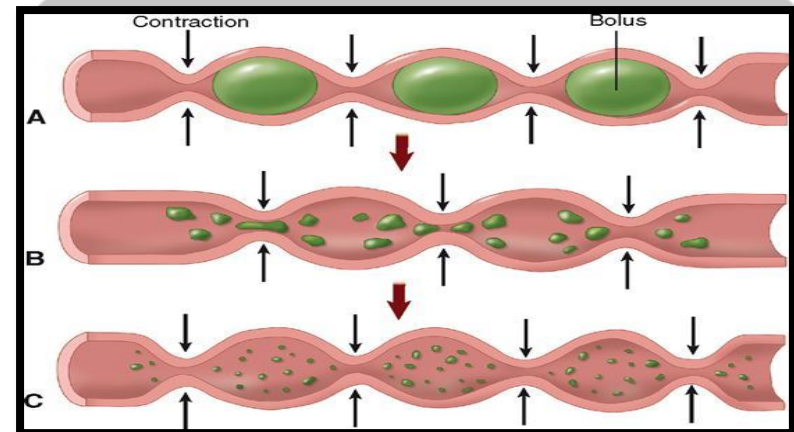
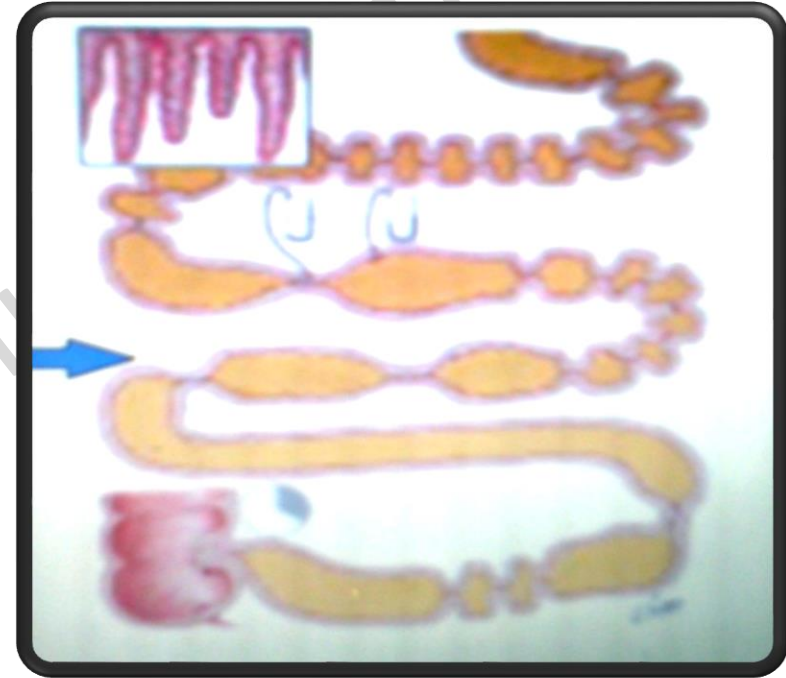
- **LES incompetence**
- Reflux of acidic gastric contents into esophagus.
- **Features:** Heart burn
- Esophageal ulcer
- **Trt: Fundoplication**



Portion of fundus is wrapped around lower end of esophagus. Thus LES is inside stomach

Segmentation contraction

- Mixing / Churning movements
- Small intestine is divided into segments 2 – 5cm in length
- Alternate contracted & relaxed segments.
- **Function:**
 - Helps in digestion and absorption of nutrients.



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Segmentation Contraction

on contraction



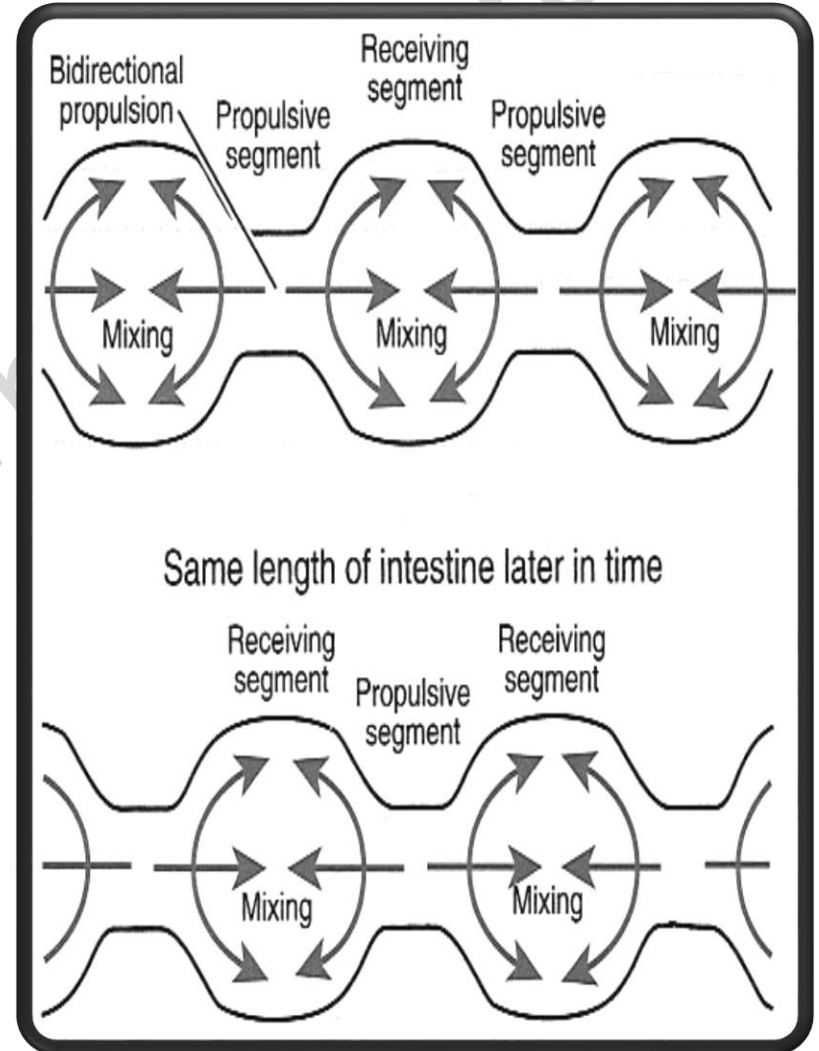
chyme moves back & forth
up & down

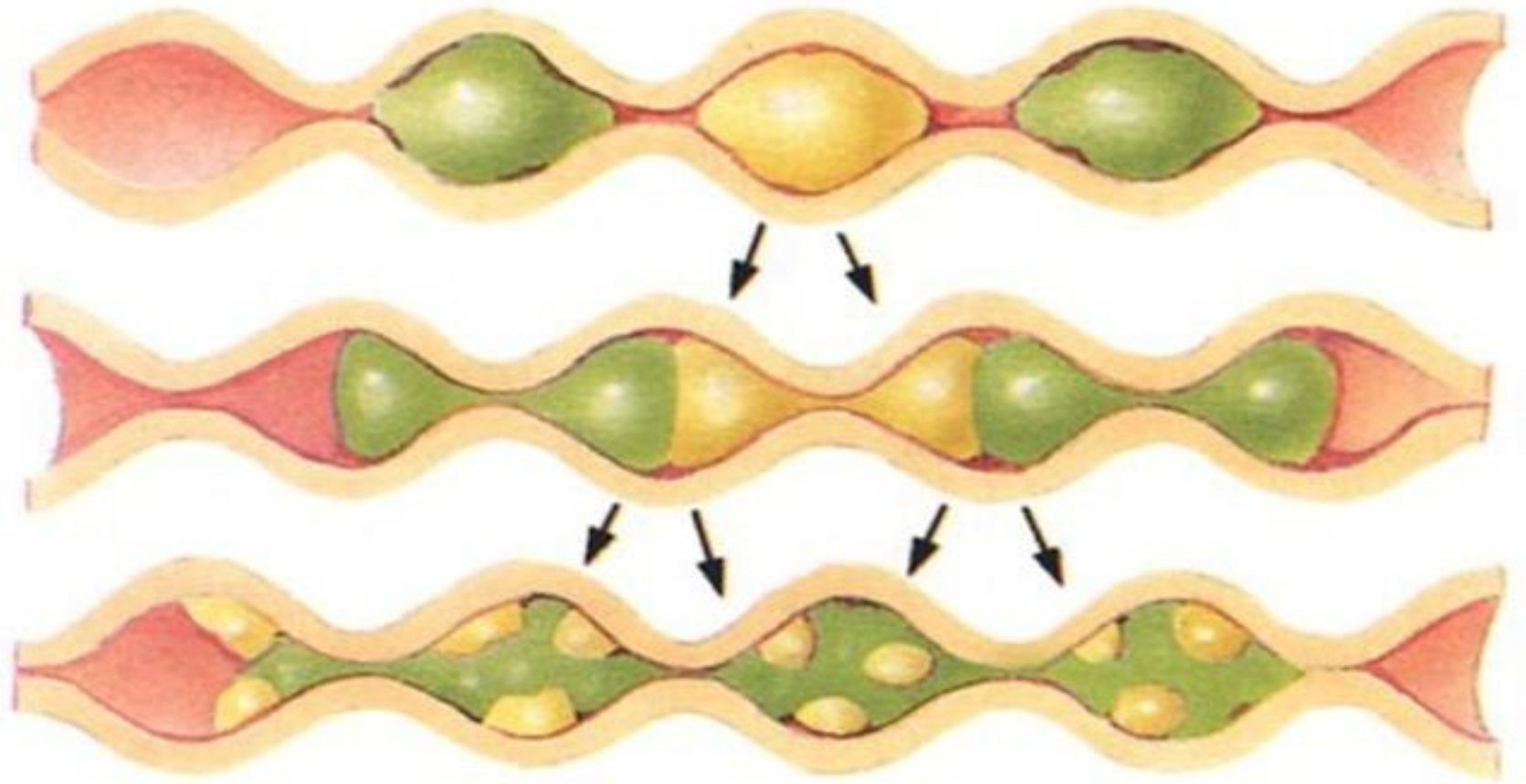


on relaxation of the segment



chyme moves back into the
segment

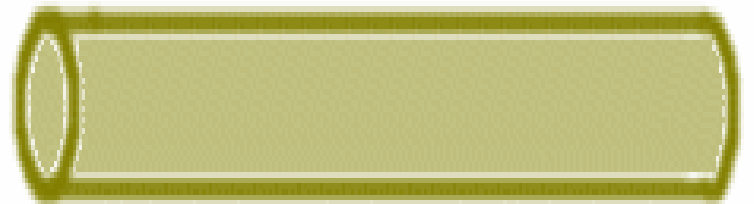
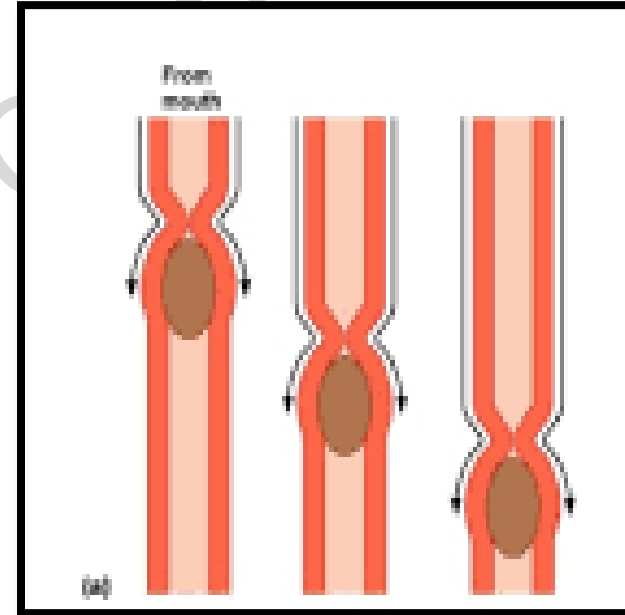


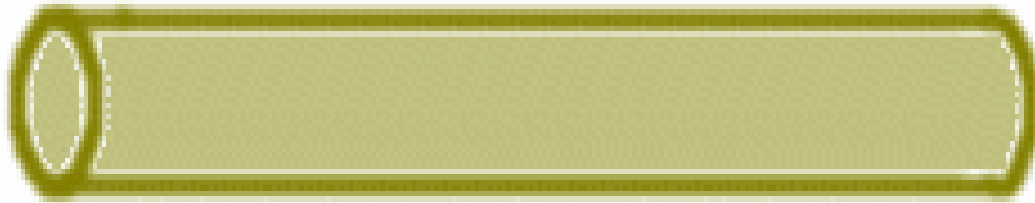
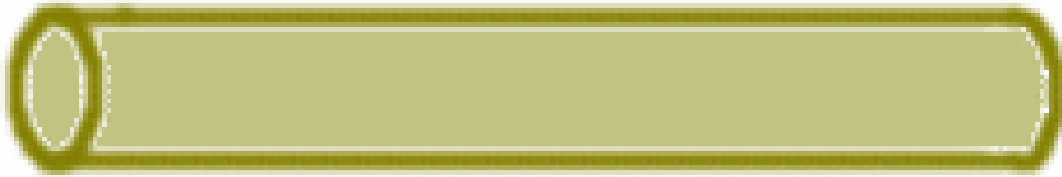


Long transit time helps in thorough Mixing, digestion , absorption of the Intestinal Contents

Peristalsis

- A wave of contraction & relaxation of circular muscles.
- **In oesophagus, small intestine & large intestine.**
- **Function: Propels food forward**





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Balanced diet

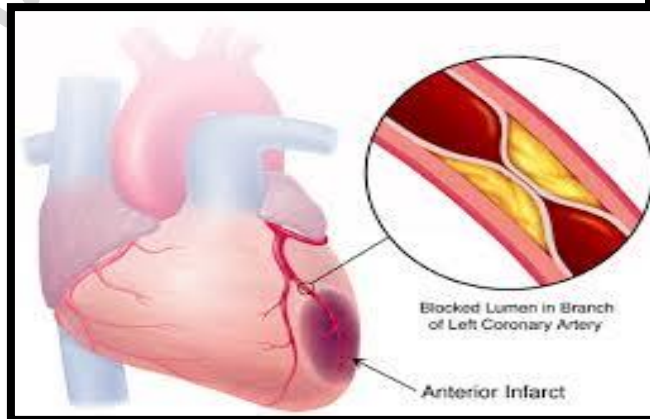
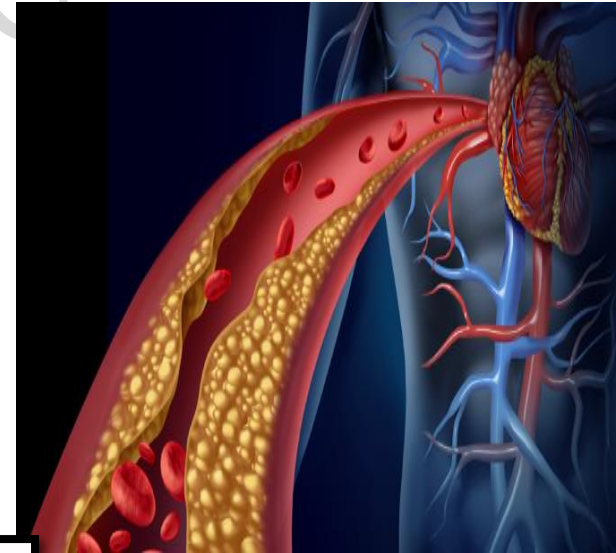
- Diet which contains nutrients in appropriate proportions for the normal growth and development.
- Proteins: $\frac{1}{5}$ (Body builders)
- Fat: $\frac{1}{5}$
- CHO: $\frac{3}{5}$

**Energy
producers**



Hypercholesterolemia

- Excess cholesterol level in blood
- Excess saturated fat intake
- Leads to :
 - **Thrombosis**
 - Heart attack



Fluorosis

- Excess Flouride intake
- Features:
- Tooth Decay
- Bone decay



Kwashiorkor

- **Protein Deficiency disorder**
- **in children 1-5 years**
 - Retarded growth of body and mind.
 - Muscle wasting
 - Swelling of ankles, feet, belly
 - Enlarged liver
 - Immune deficiency.



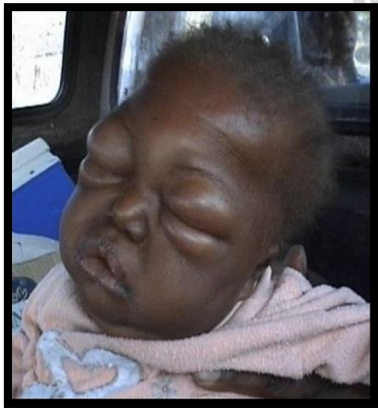
Marasmus

- **Severe deficiency of all nutrients.**
- **Features :**
- **Stunted growth**
- **Wasting of all tissues**
- **Anemia**
- **Infections**
- **Seen in infants below 1 year.**



- **Kwashiorkor**

- Above 1 year of age
- Deficiency of proteins only
- Extensive oedema
- Subcutaneous fat present
- Under weight



- **Marasmus**

- Below one year of age
- Deficiency of both proteins & calories
- No oedema
- Subcutaneous fat absent
- Severely emaciated

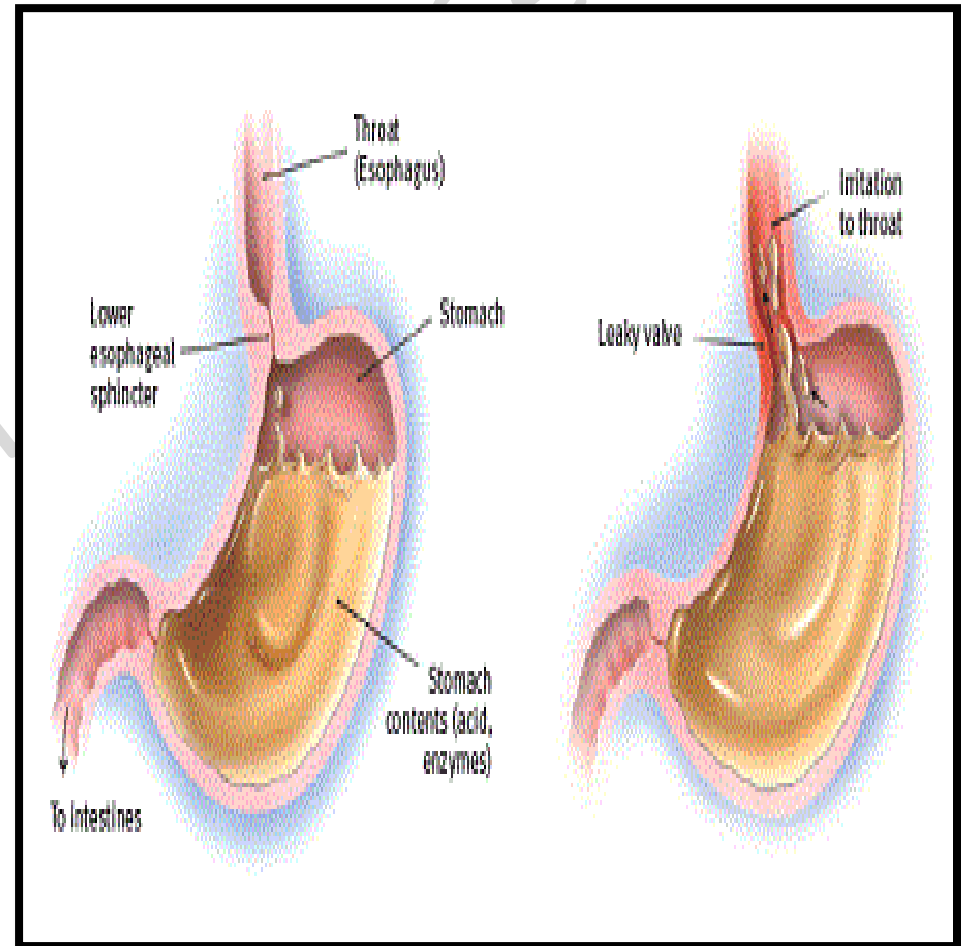


Dyspepsisa

- Indigestion

- Features

- Heart burn
- Abdominal pain
- Nausea
- Bloating



JAUNDICE

Definition :

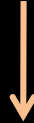
Jaundice is a condition characterized by yellowish discolouration of skin, sclera & mucus membrane due to increased plasma bilirubin concentration.



- *Normal Plasma Bilirubin* – **< 1.2 mg/dl**
(**< 25 μmol/L**)

Plasma Bilirubin

> 2.5 mg/dl



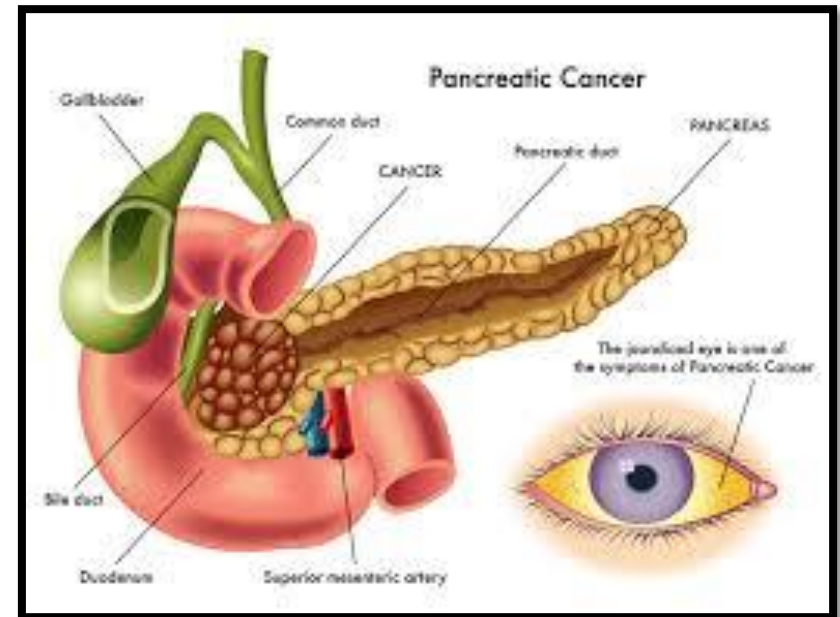
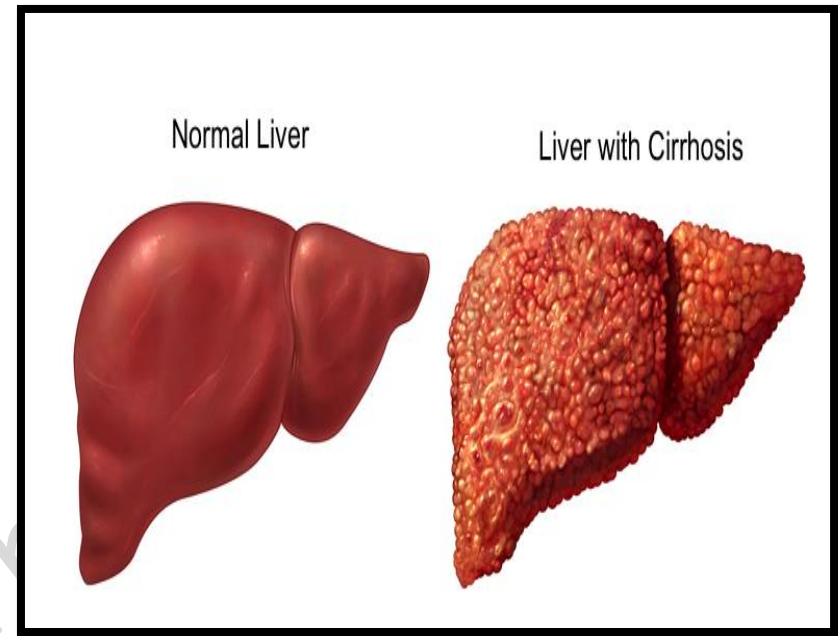
disorder



Jaundice

JAUNDICE

- Causes :
- Hepatitis
- Liver cancer
- Gall stones
- Pancreatic cancer



Constipation

- Defn : Difficulty / failure of voiding of feces.
- Reduced colon motility



Slows faecal movement

Excess absorption of water
Hard , dry faeces

Causes :

1. Irregular bowel habit
2. Lack of dietary fibers
3. Endocrine disorders- hypothyroidism , Diabetes Mellitus



Diarrhoea

- Frequent discharge of soft / fluid stools.
- Irritation of colon ----- ↑ Mass peristalsis

- Causes :

1. Infections – amoebic dysenteries
2. Presence of irritants
3. Anxiety
4. Thyrotoxicosis



Vomiting (EMESIS)

- **Abnormal emptying of the stomach and upper intestine through esophagus and mouth.**



Stimuli that induce vomiting:

- Gastritis
- Gastroenteritis
- Pyloric stenosis
- Over eating
- Cholecystitis
- Food allergy
- Pancreatitis
- Hepatitis
- **Lactose intolerance**

