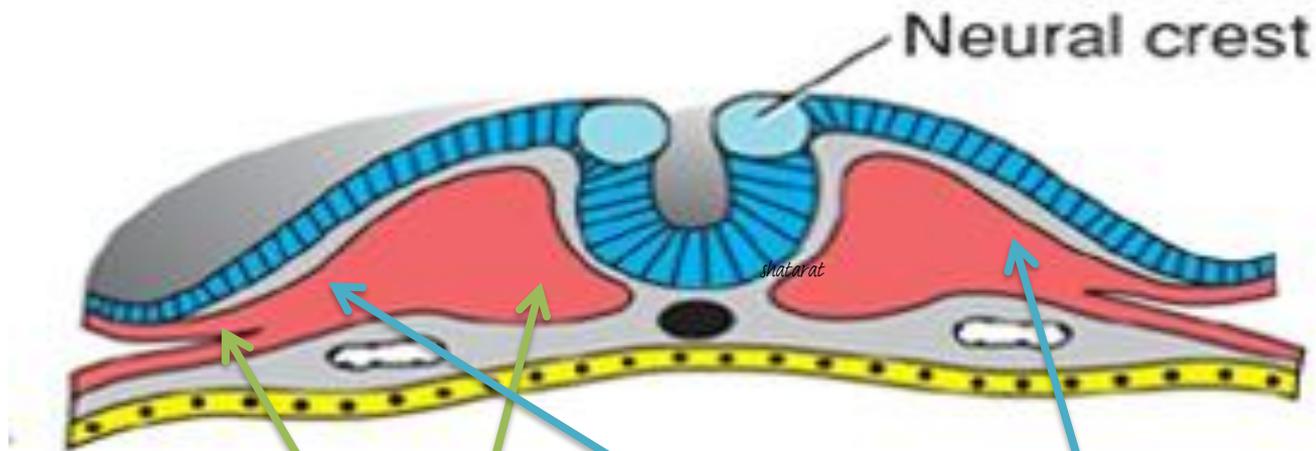


# DERIVATIVES OF THE MESODERMAL GERM LAYER

# Paraxial mesoderm



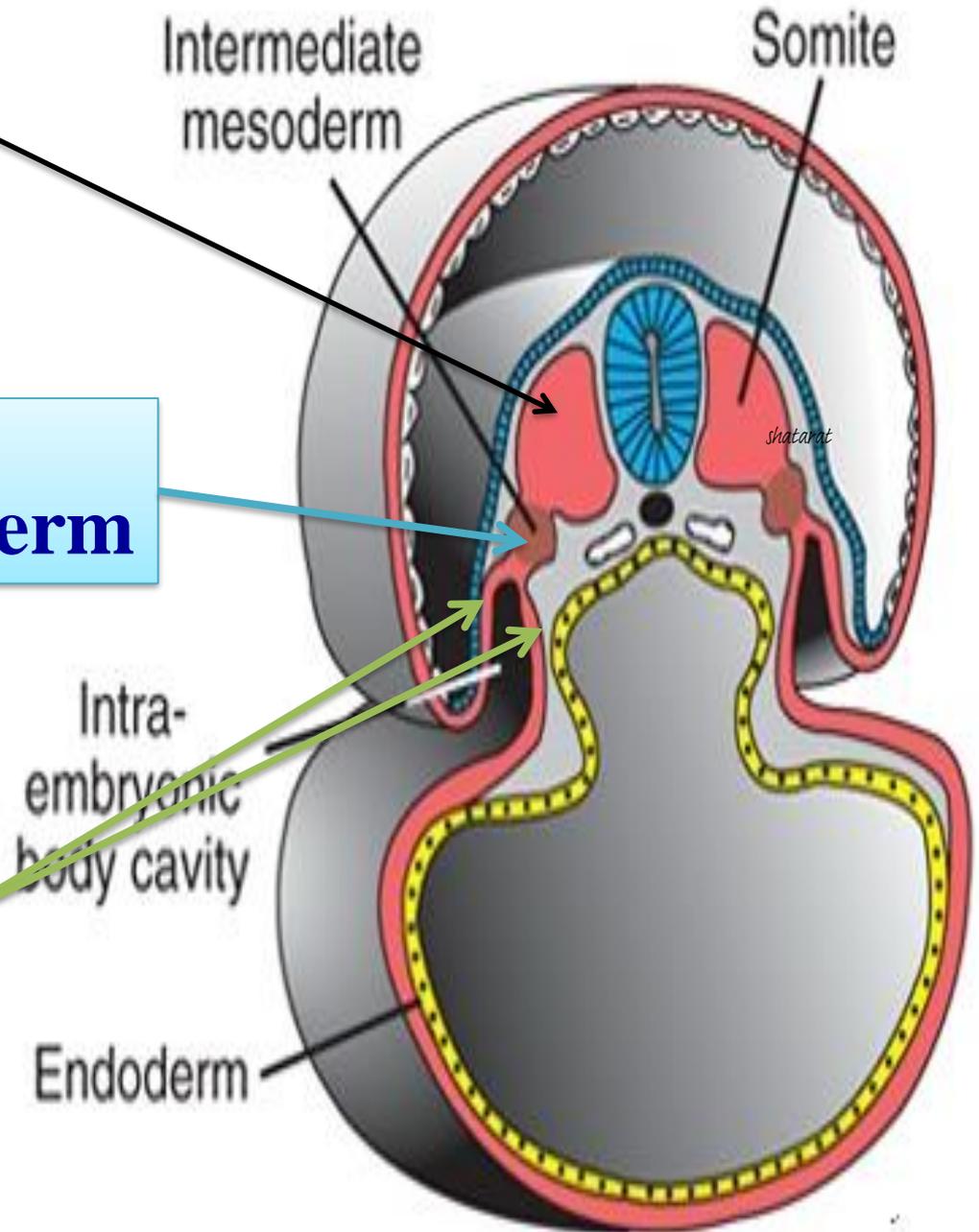
It develops into  
**TWO PERIPHERAL MASSES**  
and a **constriction in the middle**

Called:

**1-Medial mesoderm**

**2-Intermediate mesoderm**

**3-lateral mesoderm**

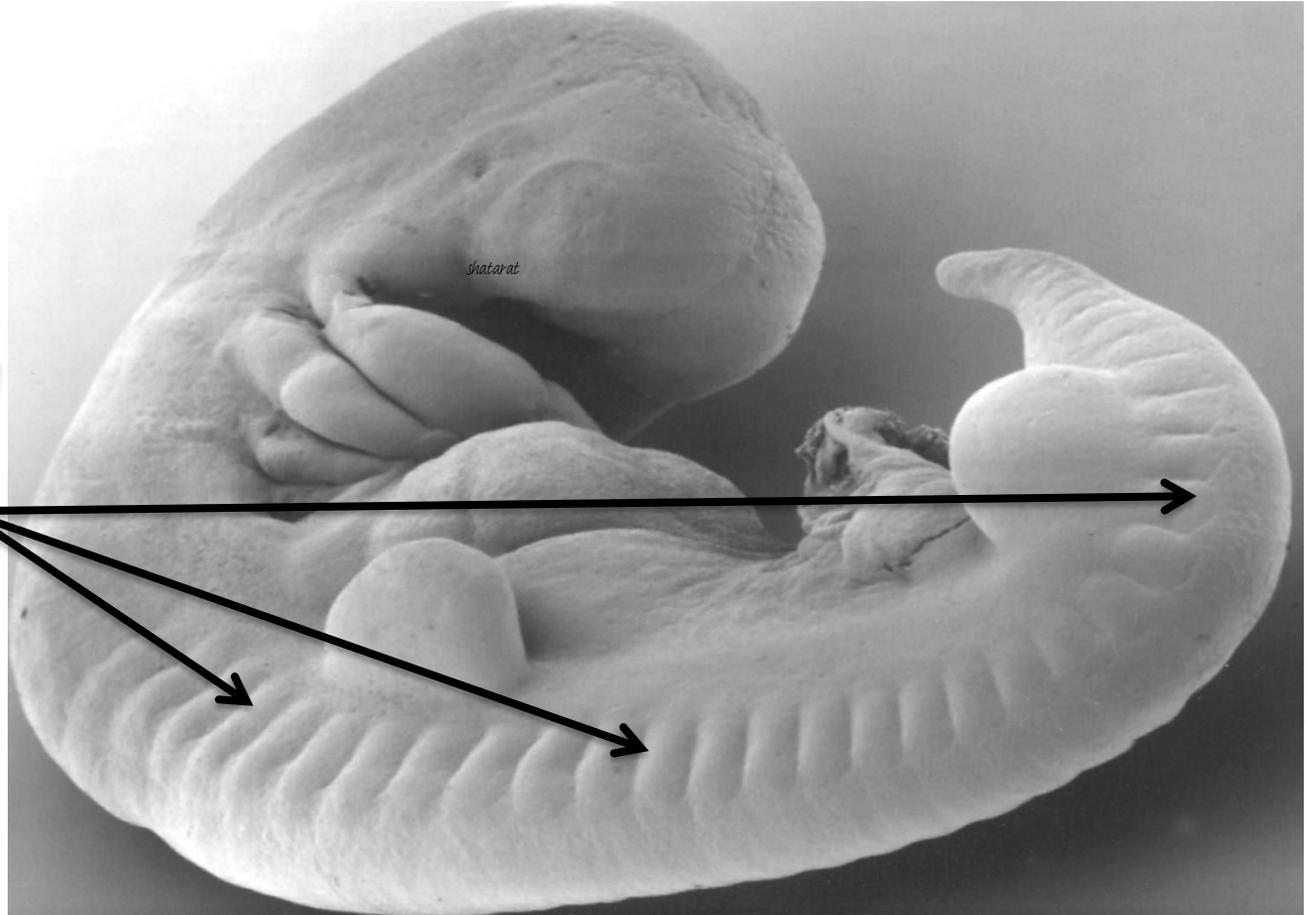


# Medial mesoderm

- The medial mesoderm enlarges pushing the ectoderm upwards to give the **somites**

➤ As the embryo develops the number of the somites  
Increases from one to reach about 44-45 somites  
➤ when the embryo is completely developed

About 10 somites vanish when the tail of the embryo is lost



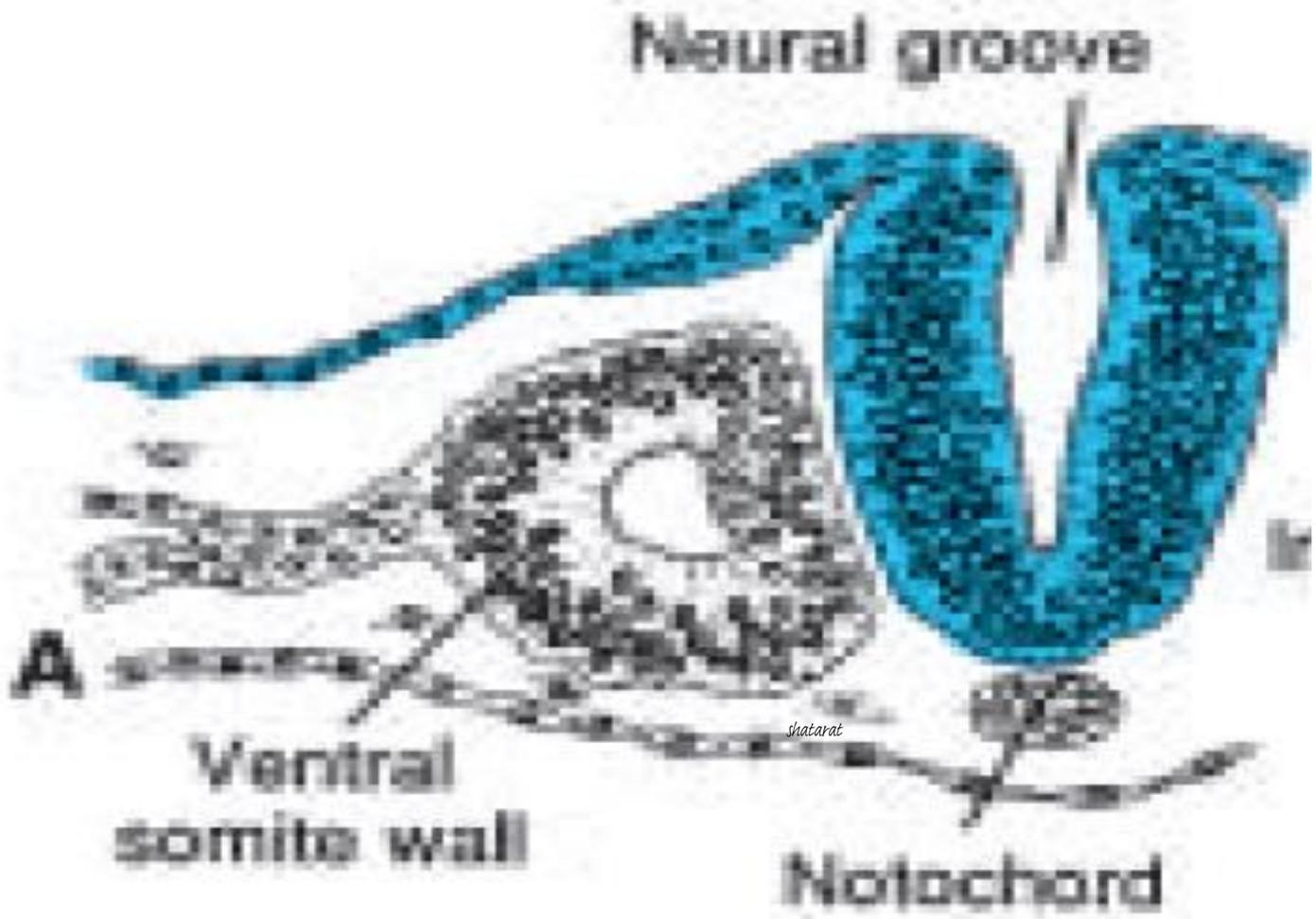
- ❖ **The first pair** of somites arises in the **occipital region** of the embryo at approximately the 20th day of development
- ❖ From here, new somites appear in craniocaudal sequence at a rate of approximately three pairs per day until the end **of the fifth week**,

**There are:**  
**four occipital**  
**eight cervical**  
**12 thoracic**  
**five lumbar**  
**five sacral,**  
**and eight to 10 coccygeal pairs.**



The  
first occipital and the last five to seven coccygeal somites later disappear

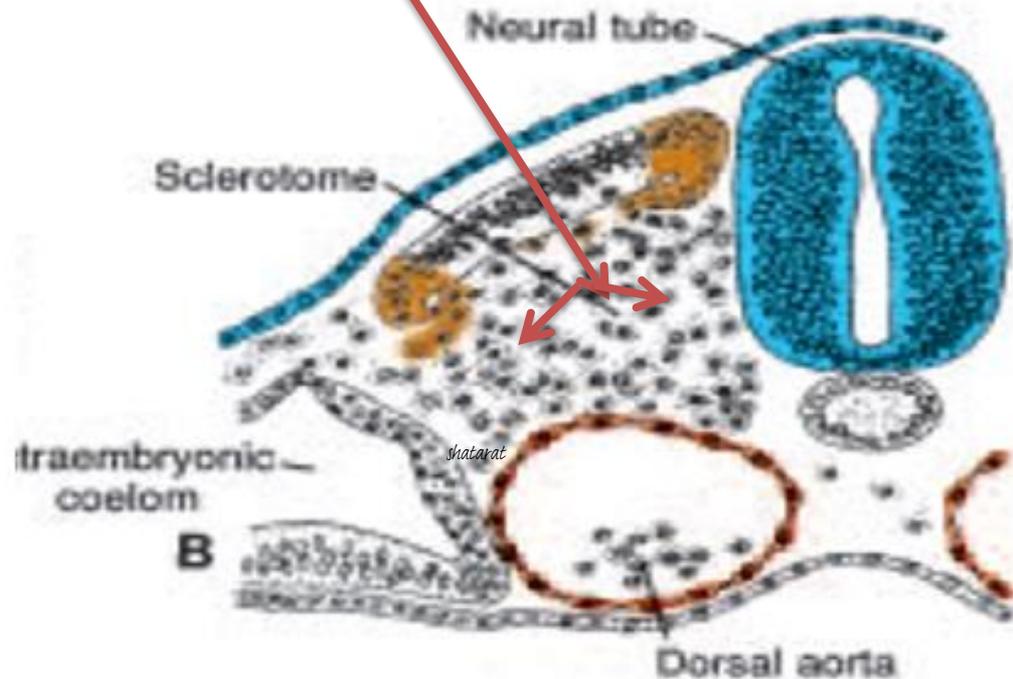
WHAT IS THE destiny OF EACH SOMITE?



By the beginning of the fourth week  
cells forming the *ventral and medial walls of the somite*  
lose their compact organization,  
and shift their position to surround the notochord  
These cells, collectively known as

## **THE SCLEROTOME**

They will  
surround the  
spinal cord and  
notochord to form  
**the  
vertebral  
column**



Cells at the dorsolateral portion of the somite also migrate as precursors of the

## limb and body wall

*shatarat*

## musculature

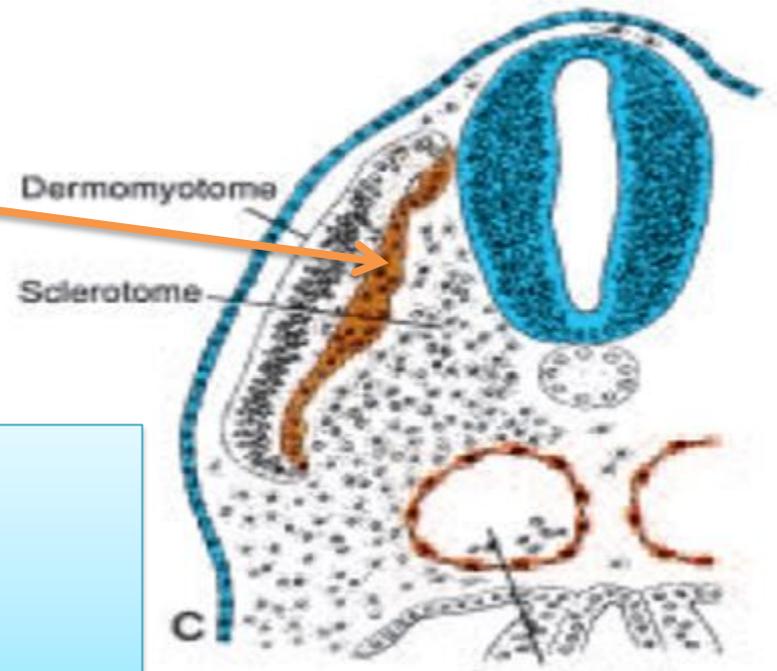
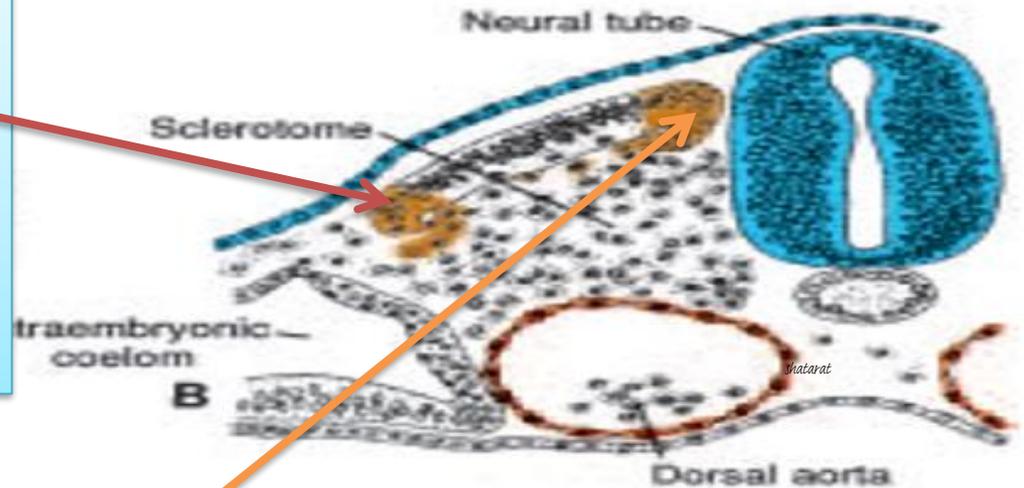
(hypomeric) musculature

*After migration of these muscle cells and cells of the sclerotome,*

*Cells at the dorsomedial* portion of the somite proliferate and migrate to form a new layer

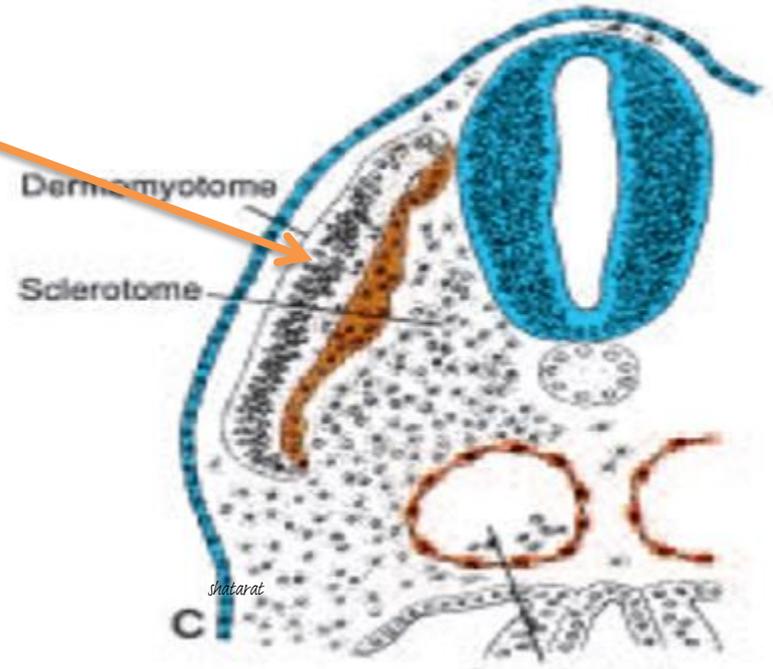
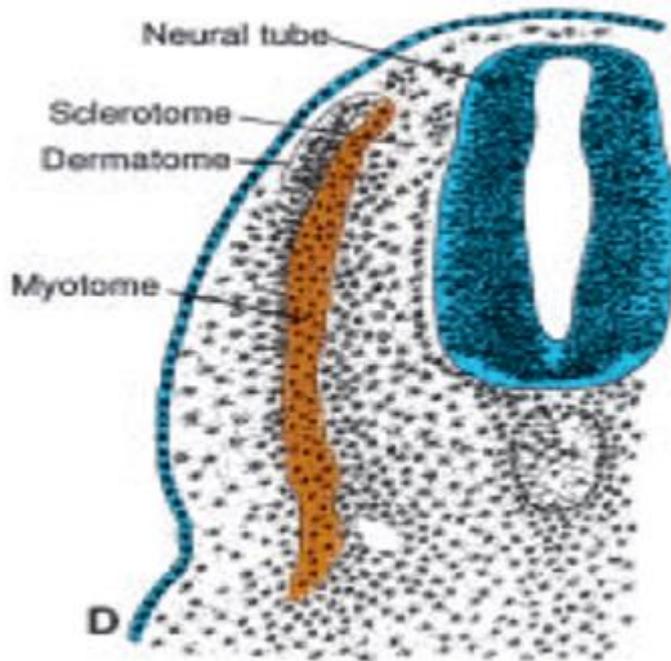
## THE MYOTOME

myotome contributes to muscles of the back (epaxial musculature)  
*or epimeric musculature*  
the **extensor muscles of the vertebral column**



*The remaining dorsal  
epithelium  
forms the dermatome*

dermatomes form  
the dermis and subcutaneous tissue of the skin

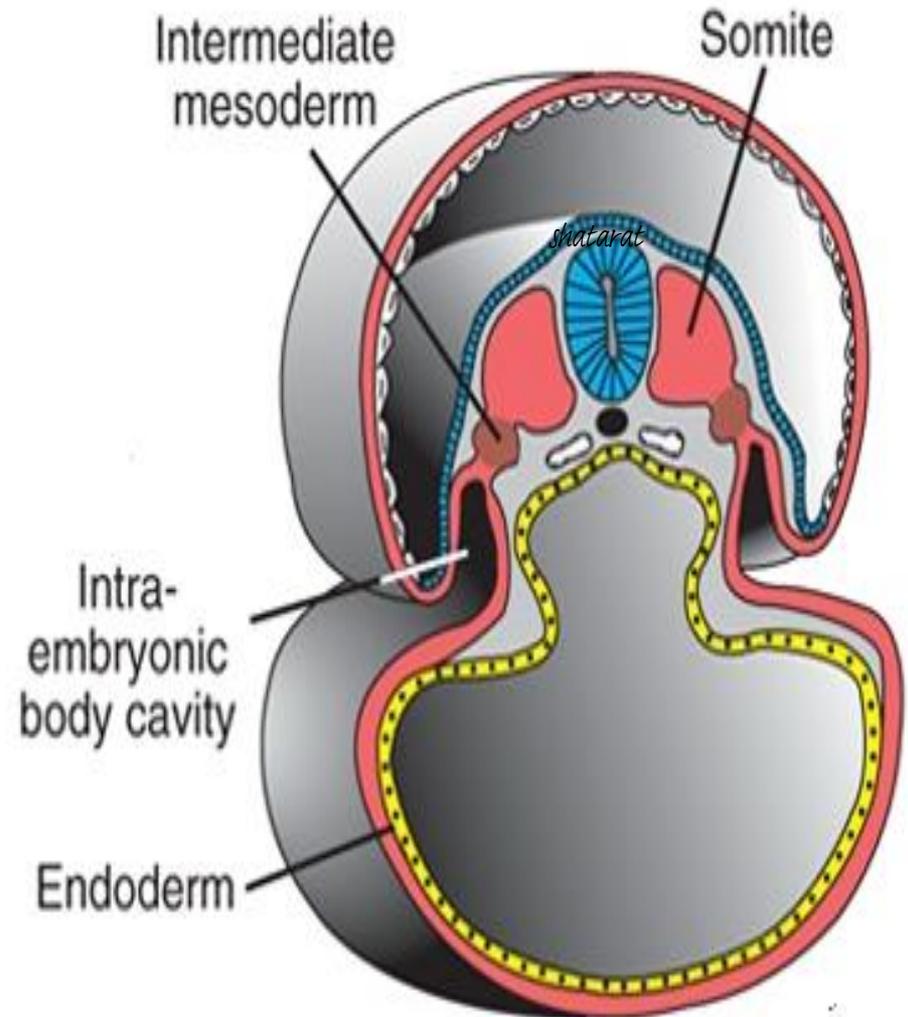


# DERIVATIVES OF THE INTERMEDIATE MESODERM

**It gives off:**

**1- Urine performing tubule (Kidney and ureter)**

**2-internal genitalia in males and femals  
(part of it not all)**



**Embryonic folds**

# **WHY the embryo folds?**

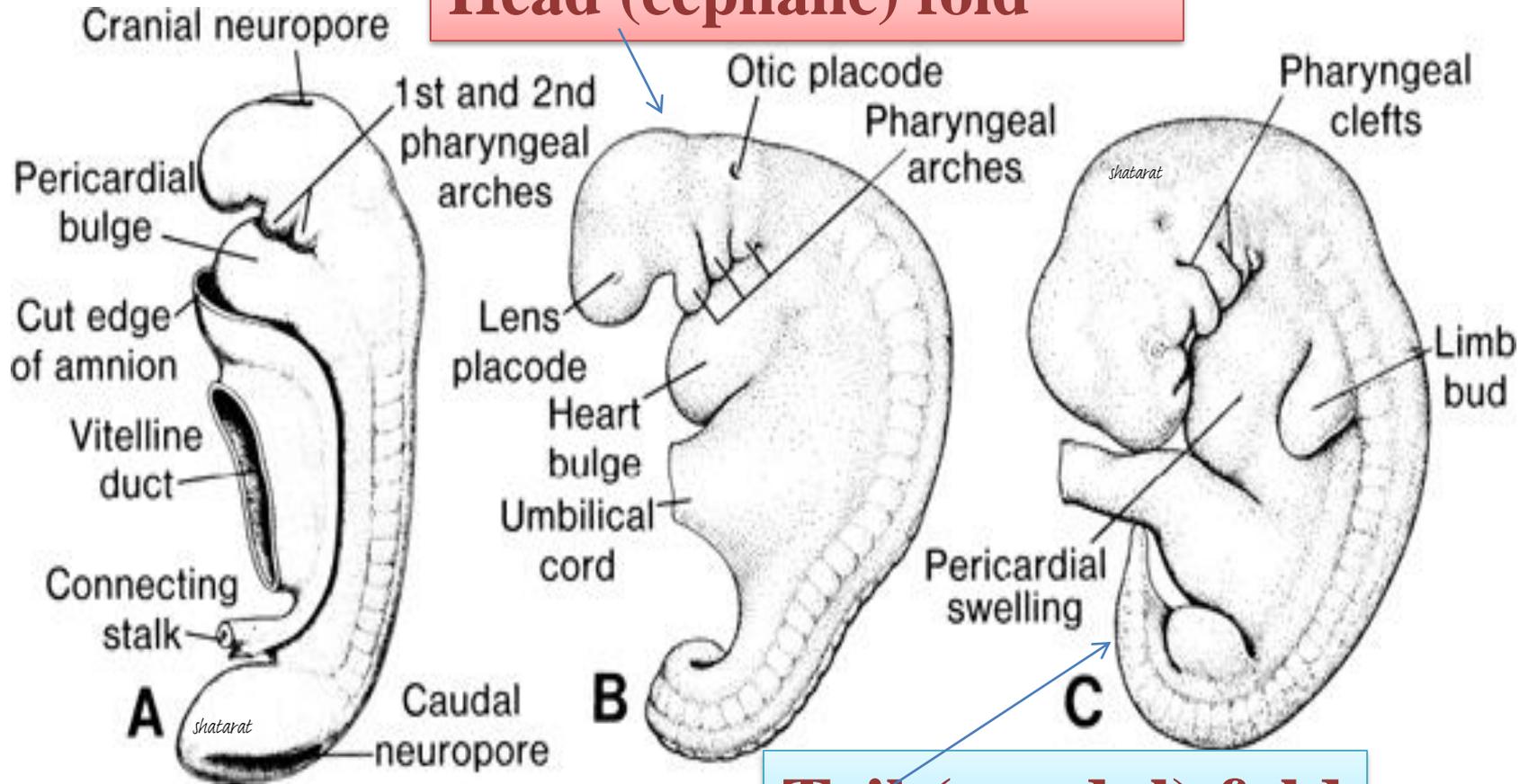
**1- Extensive and rapid growth of the cranial end of the neural tube**

**2- The faster growth of the axial part of the embryonic disc than its periphery**

**3- Enlargement of the amnion**

# Folding of the embryo Cephalocaudally and Laterally

## Head (cephalic) fold

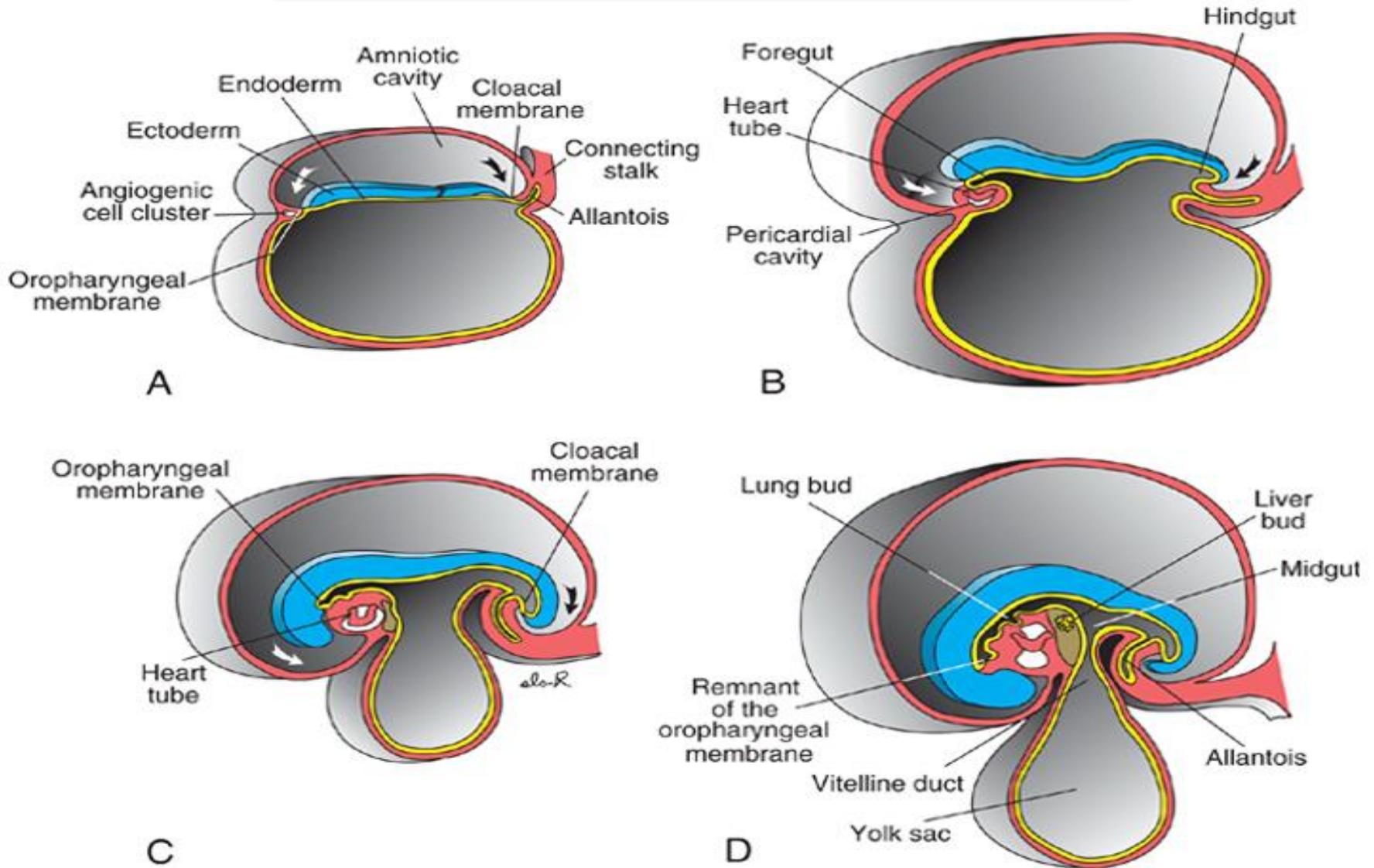


## Tail (caudal) fold

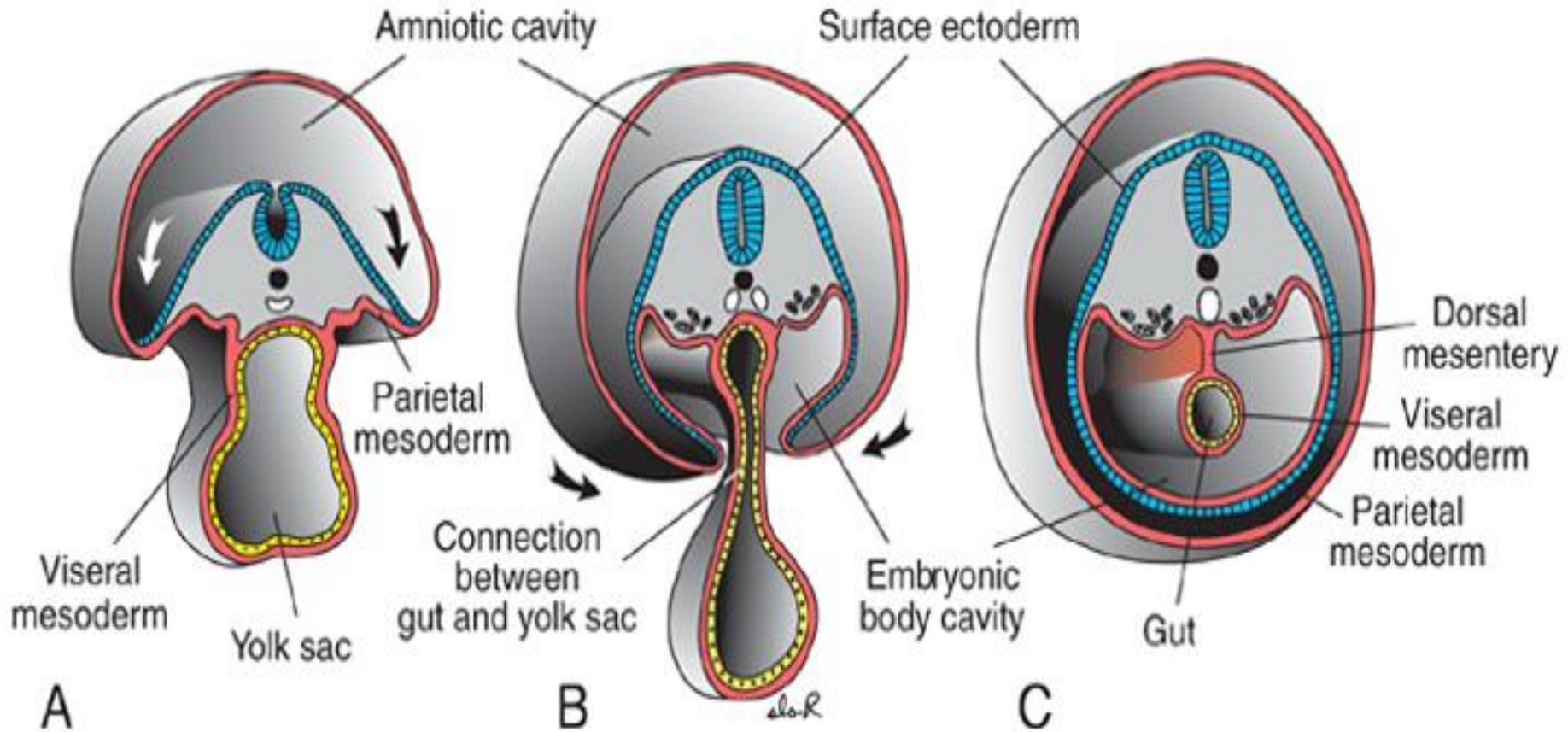
The embryonic disc begins to bulge into the amniotic cavity and to fold

# Cephalocaudally

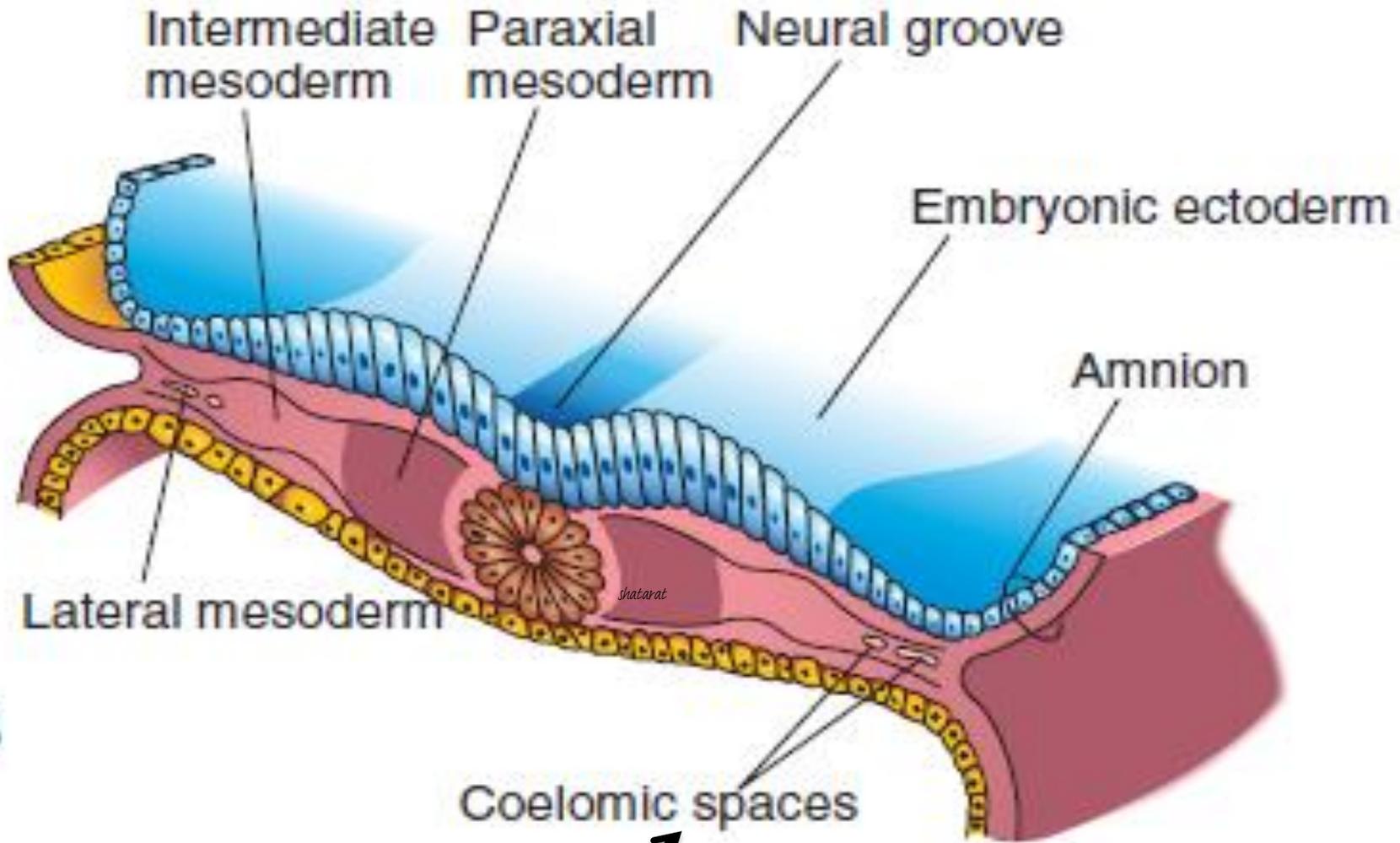
# Folding of the embryo Cephalocaudally



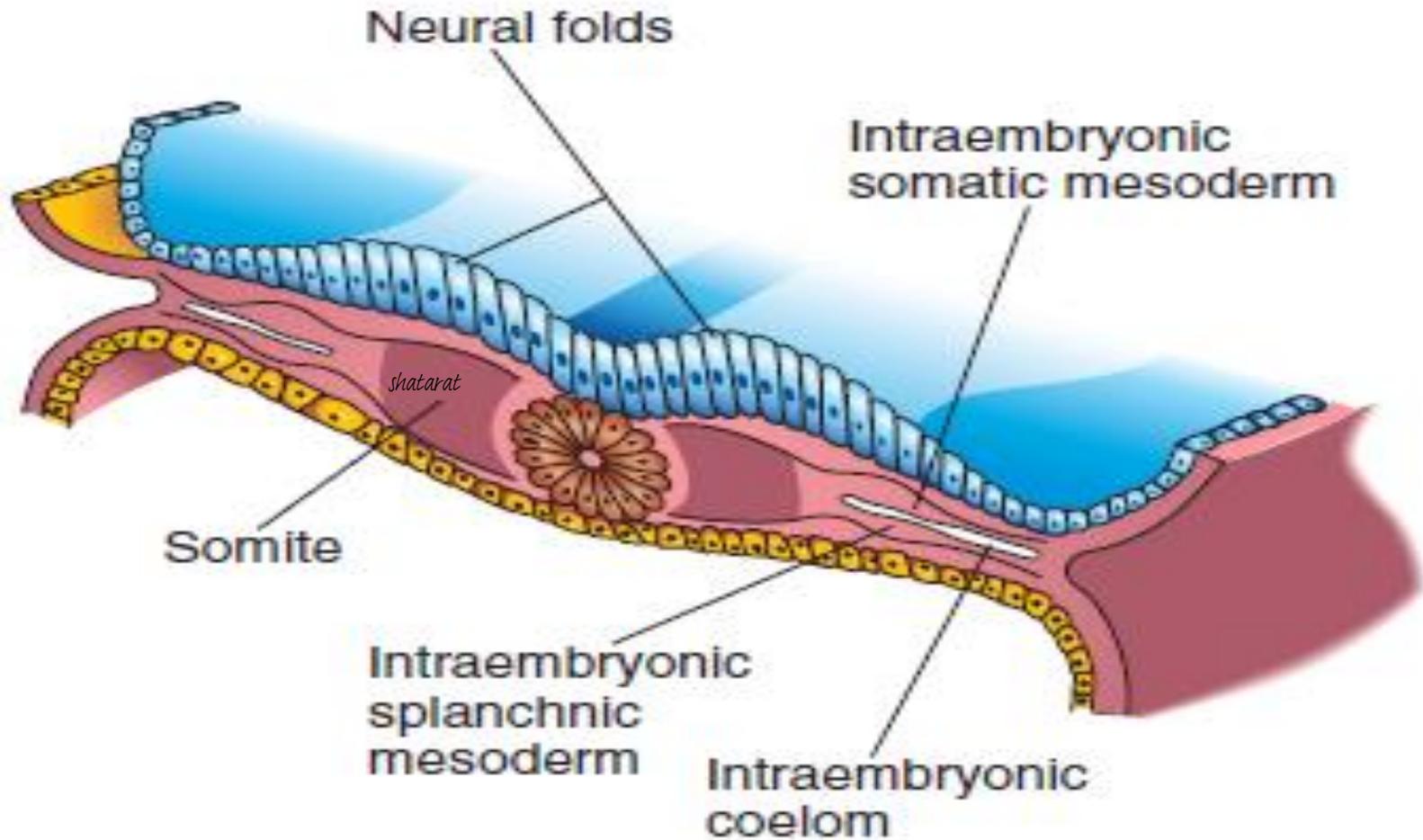
# Folding of the embryo Laterally



DERIVATIVES OF  
THE LATERAL  
MESODERM

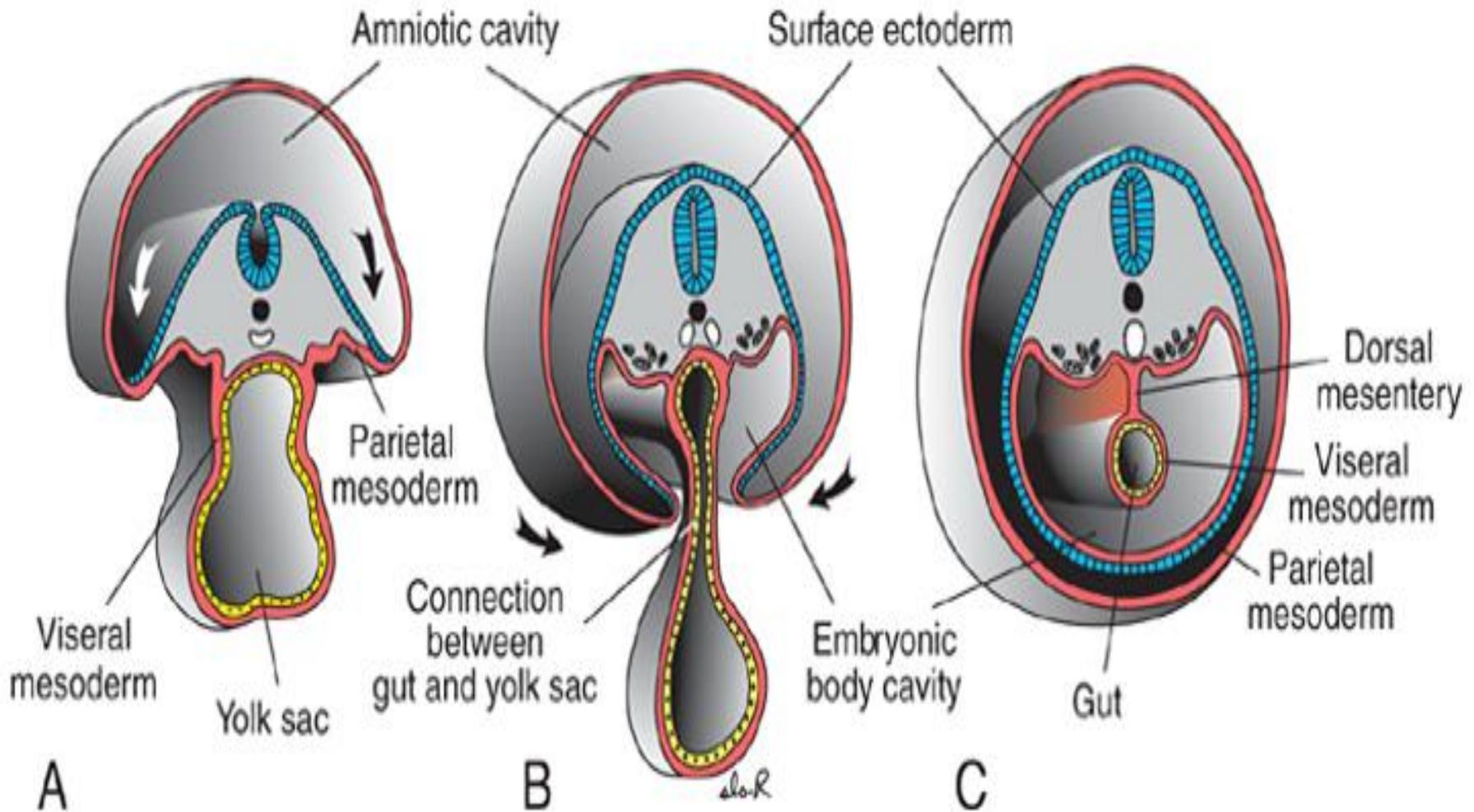


**The intraembryonic coelom (body cavity) first appears as small, isolated, coelomic spaces in the lateral intraembryonic mesoderm**



These spaces coalesce to form a single, horseshoe-shaped cavity—the **intraembryonic coelom**

*The coelom divides the lateral mesoderm into two layers:*



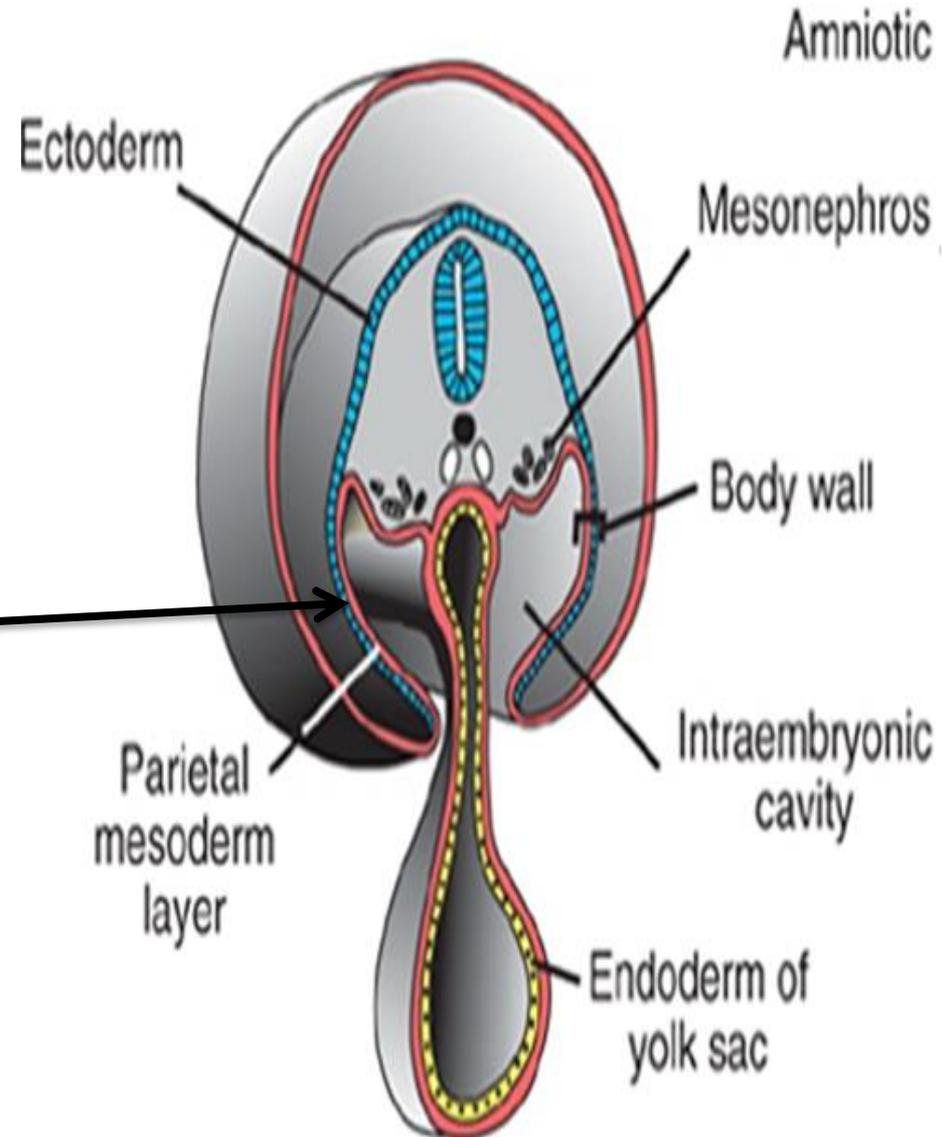
Lateral mesoderm splits into two layers:

1- Parietal (somatic)

2- Visceral (splanchnic)

➤ Mesoderm from **the parietal layer**, together with **overlying ectoderm**, forms **the lateral body wall folds**

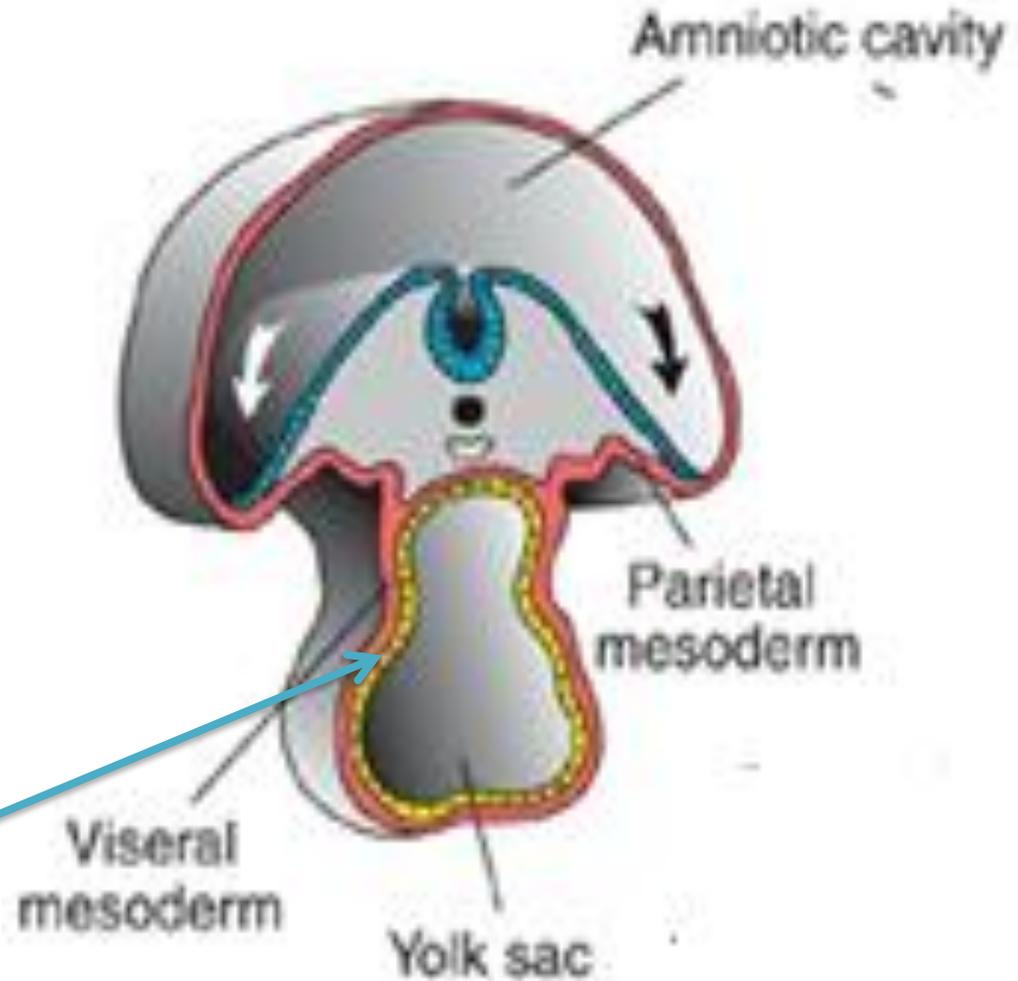
➤ These folds, together with the head (cephalic) and tail (caudal) folds, **close the ventral body wall**



# The visceral layer of lateral mesoderm

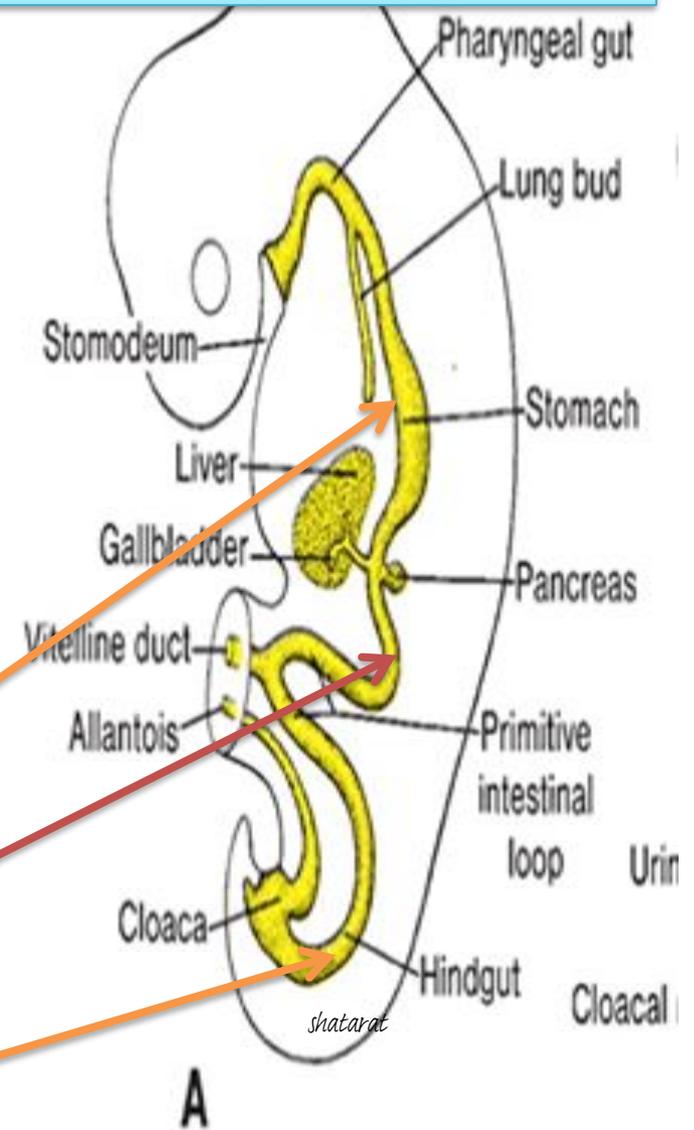
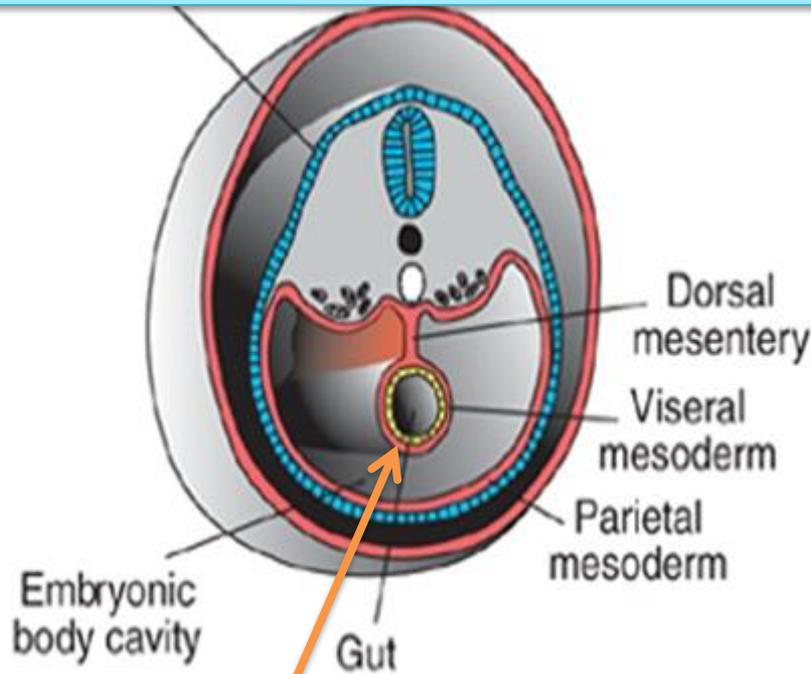
Surrounds the primitive gut and together with embryonic endoderm, forms

THE WALL  
OF THE  
GUT TUBE



**DERIVATIVES OF  
THE ENDODERMAL GERM  
LAYER**

➤ The gastrointestinal tract is the main organ system derived from the endodermal germ layer



The tube is divided into three regions:

**FOREGUT**

**MIDGUT**

**HINDGUT**

**The midgut remains in communication with the yolk sac.**

Initially, this connection is wide but as a result of body folding, it gradually becomes long and narrow to form

***the vitelline duct***

*Only much later, when the vitelline duct is obliterated, does the midgut lose its connection with the original endoderm-lined cavity and obtain its free position in the abdominal cavity*

