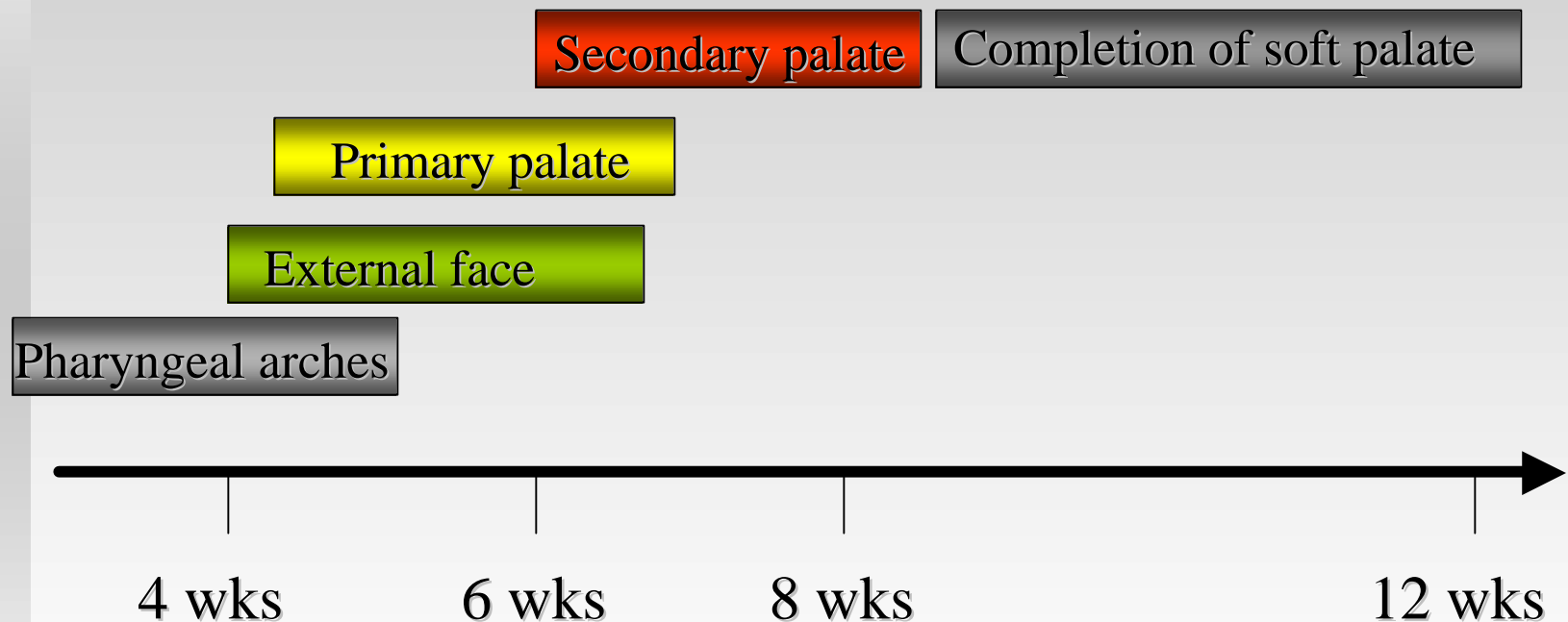


# **Facial and palatal development**

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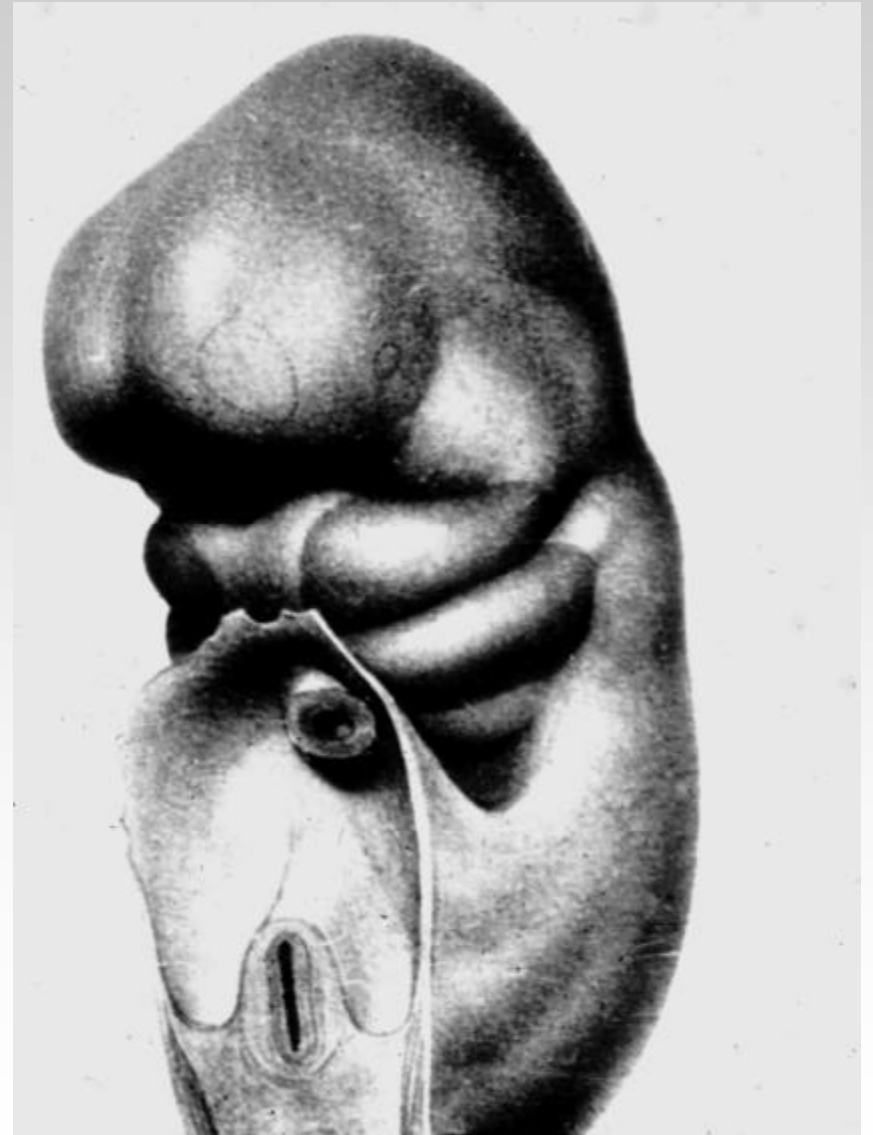
# Timeline for development



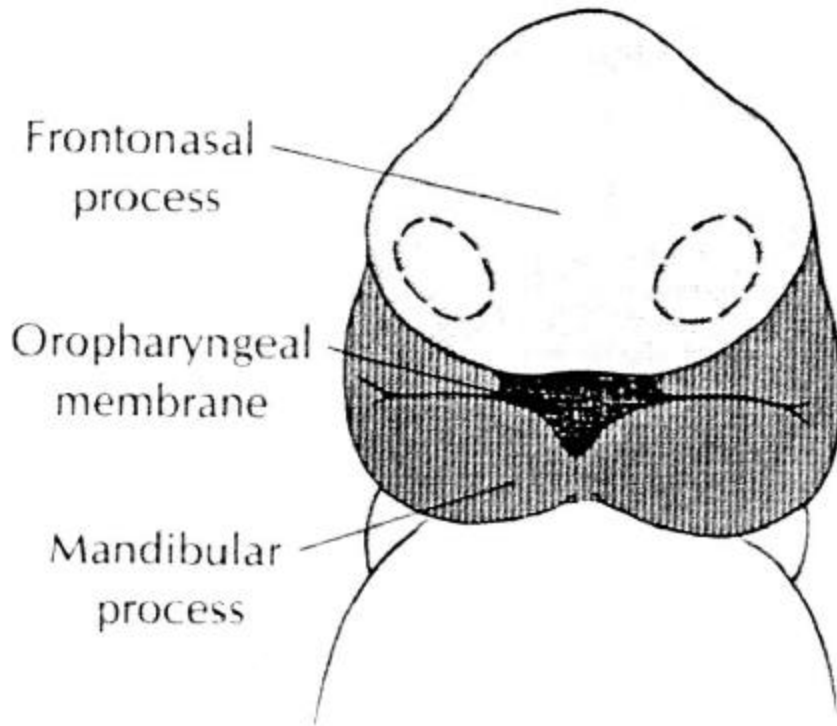
Decrease of severity of potential congenital malformations

# Contributions to the external face

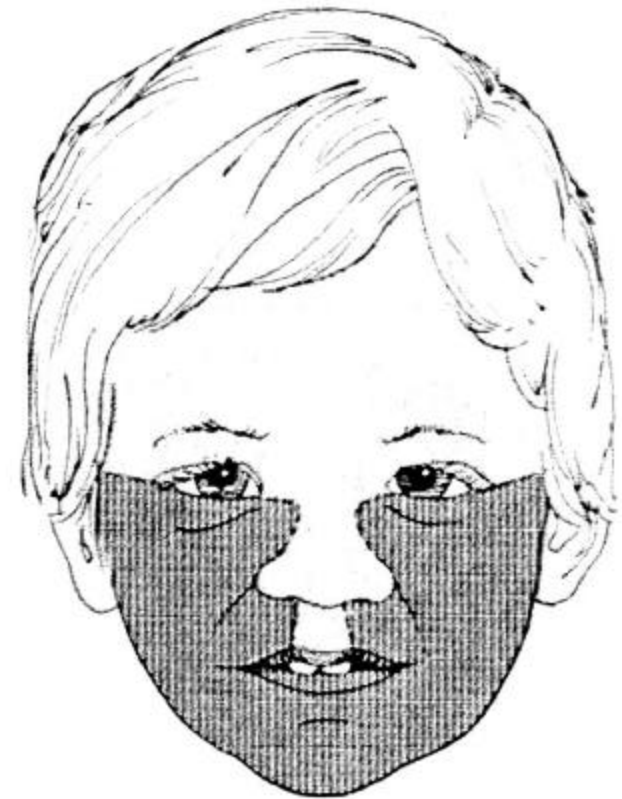
- **Periprosencephalon:** ectoderm and mostly neural-derived mesenchyme surrounding the forebrain. Frontonasal process.
- **First pharyngeal (mandibular) arch.** Mandibular and maxillary processes.



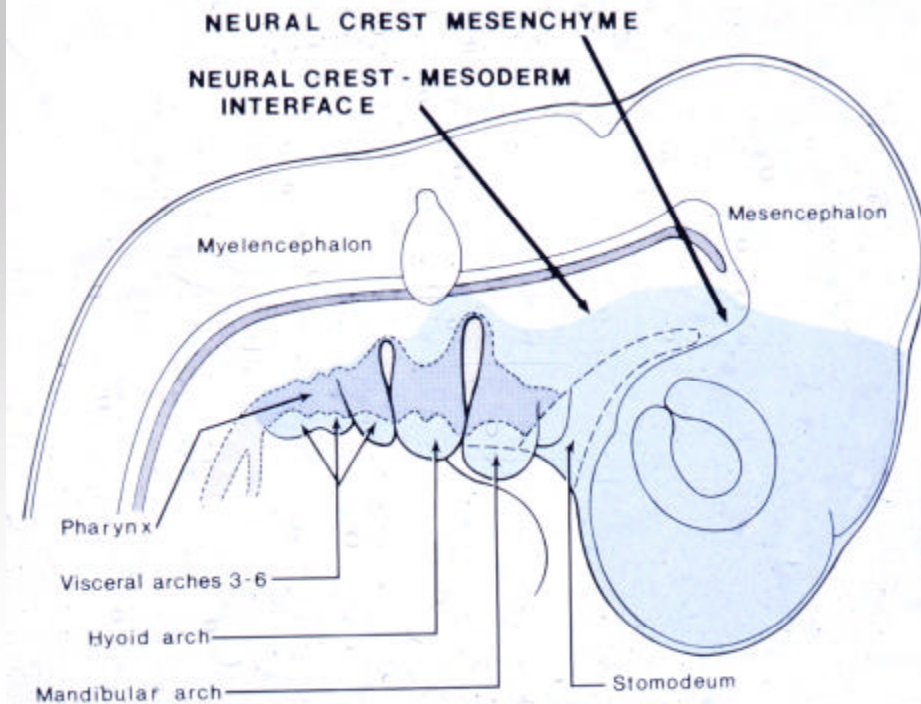
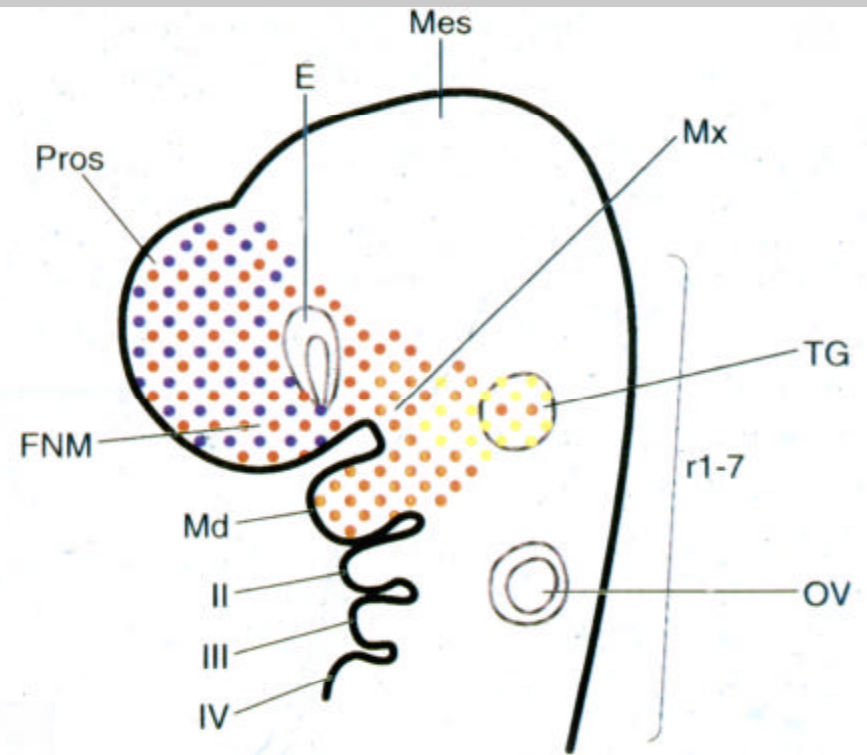
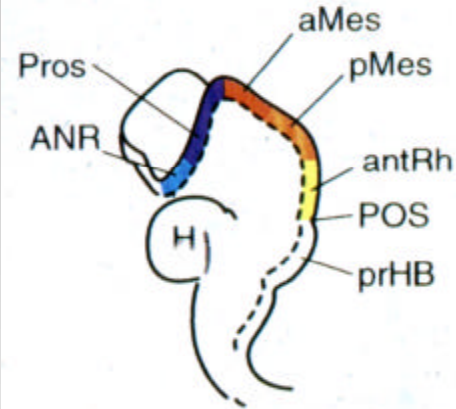
# Contributions to external face



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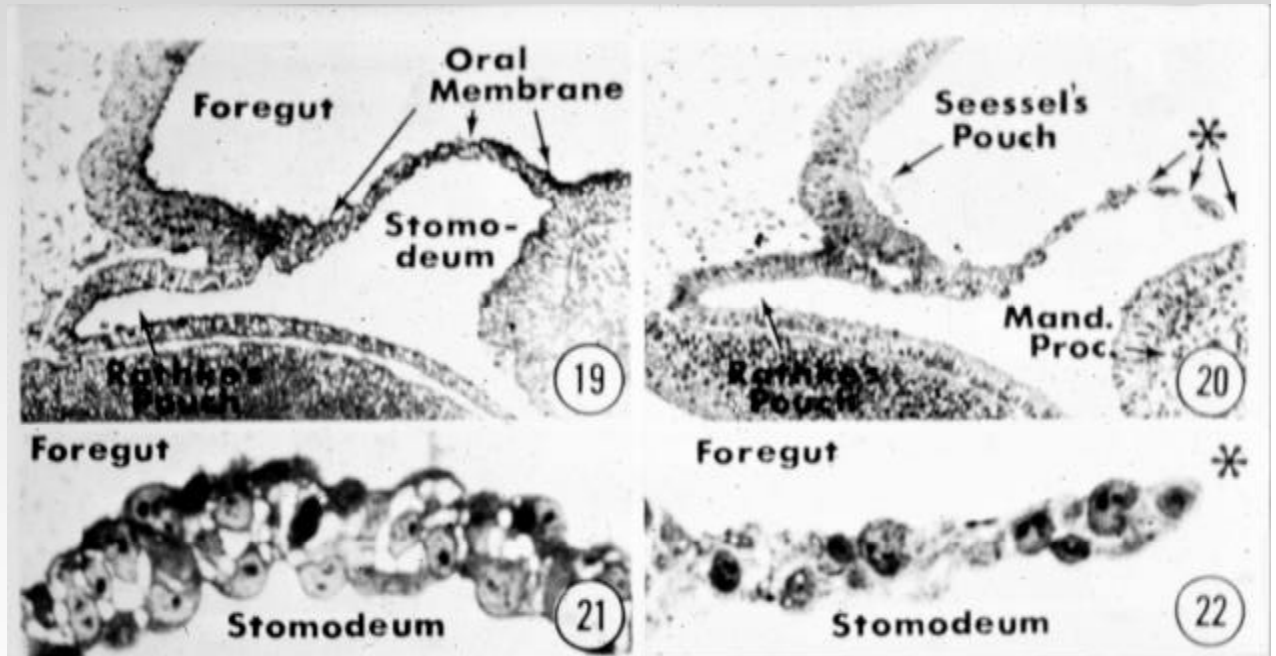
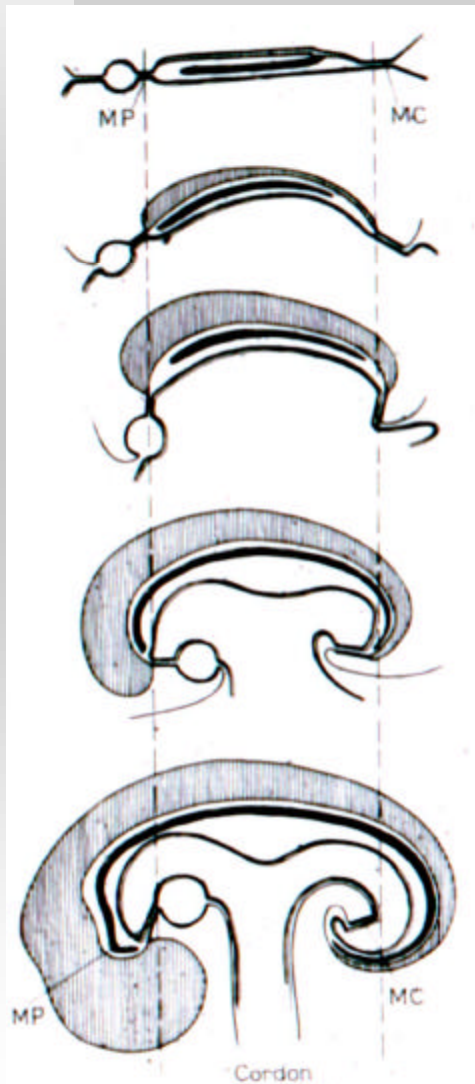


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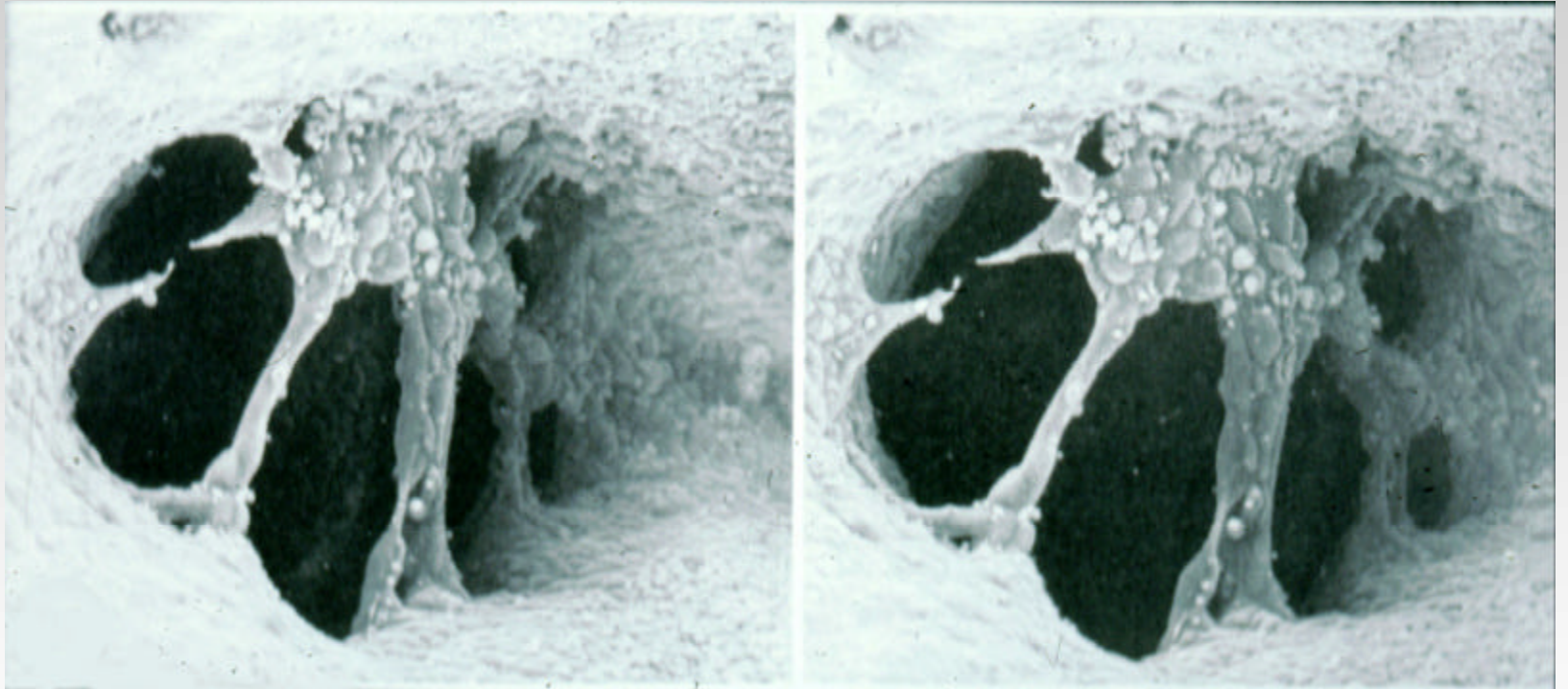
In periproencephalon: cells from anterior neural fold and neural crest from midbrain.

# Oropharyngeal membrane (buccopharyngeal, oral)



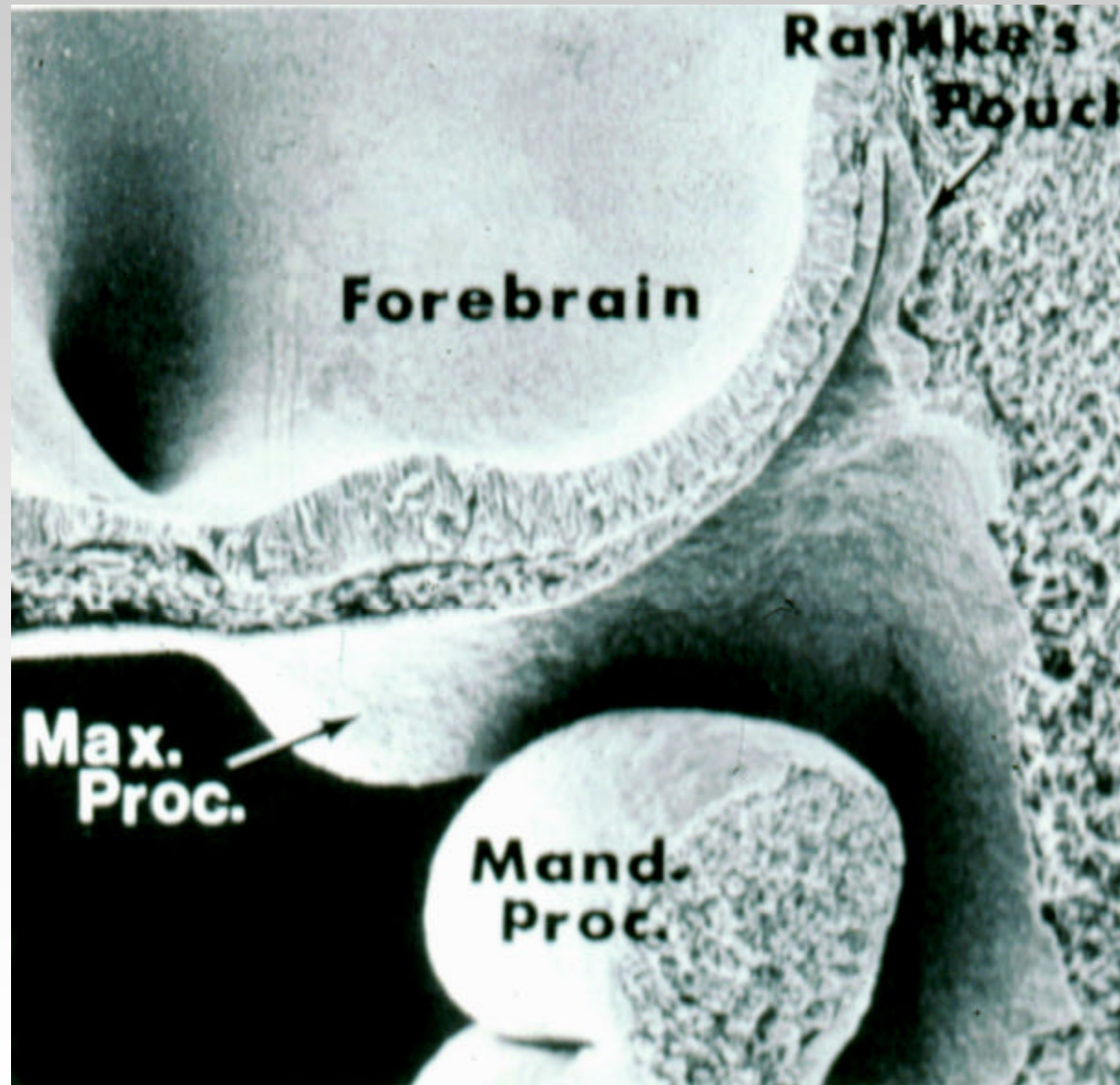
**Membrane is composed of  
ectoderm and endoderm**

# Disintegration of oropharyngeal membrane



**Communication between foregut and amniotic cavity at approximately 4 weeks of development**

# Stomodeum at 4 weeks



# Facial processes (prominences)



**Bilaterally:**

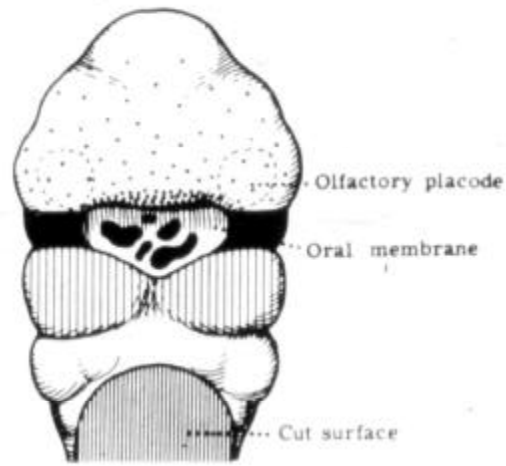
**Lateral nasal**

**Medial nasal**

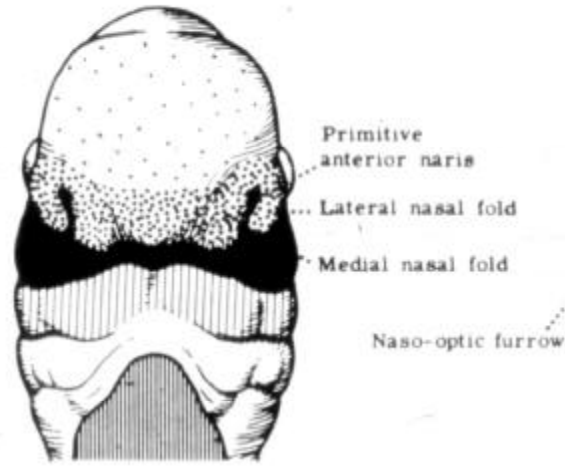
**Maxillary**

**Mandibular**

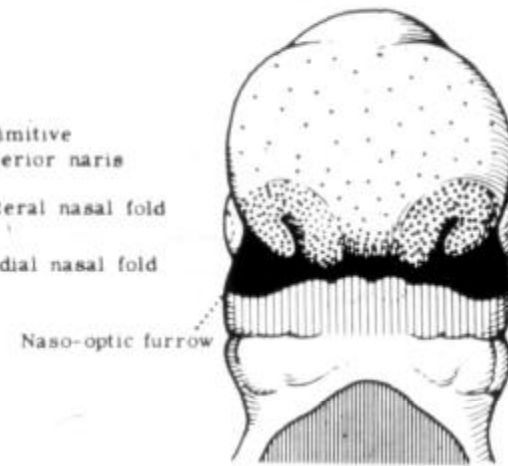
# Development external face (4-5 wks)



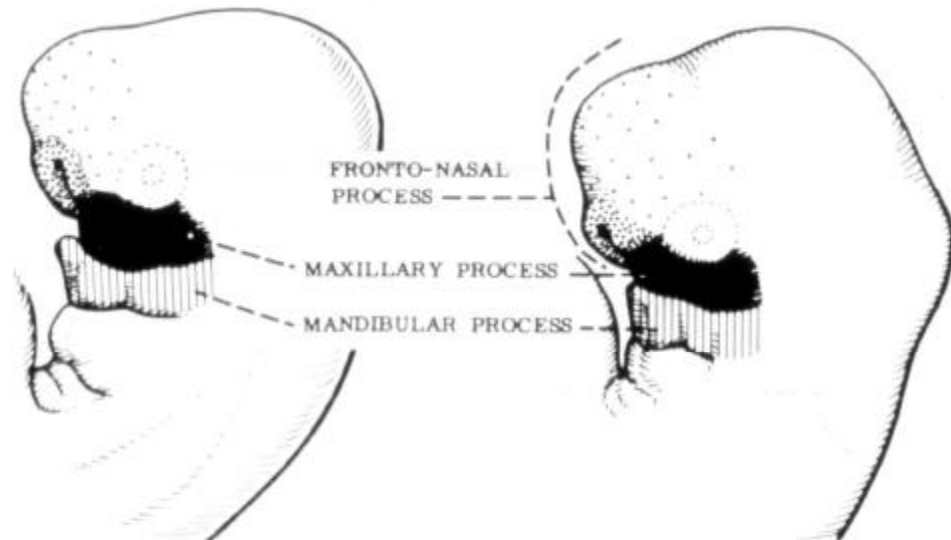
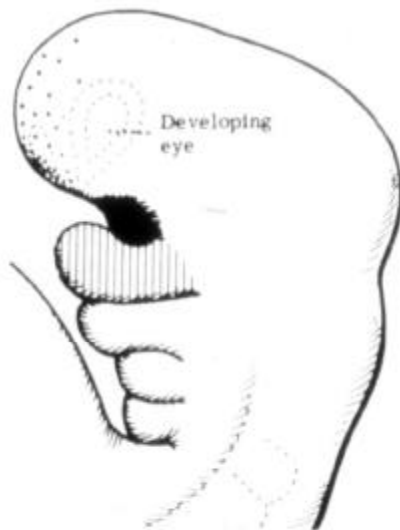
4 weeks ( 3½ mm )



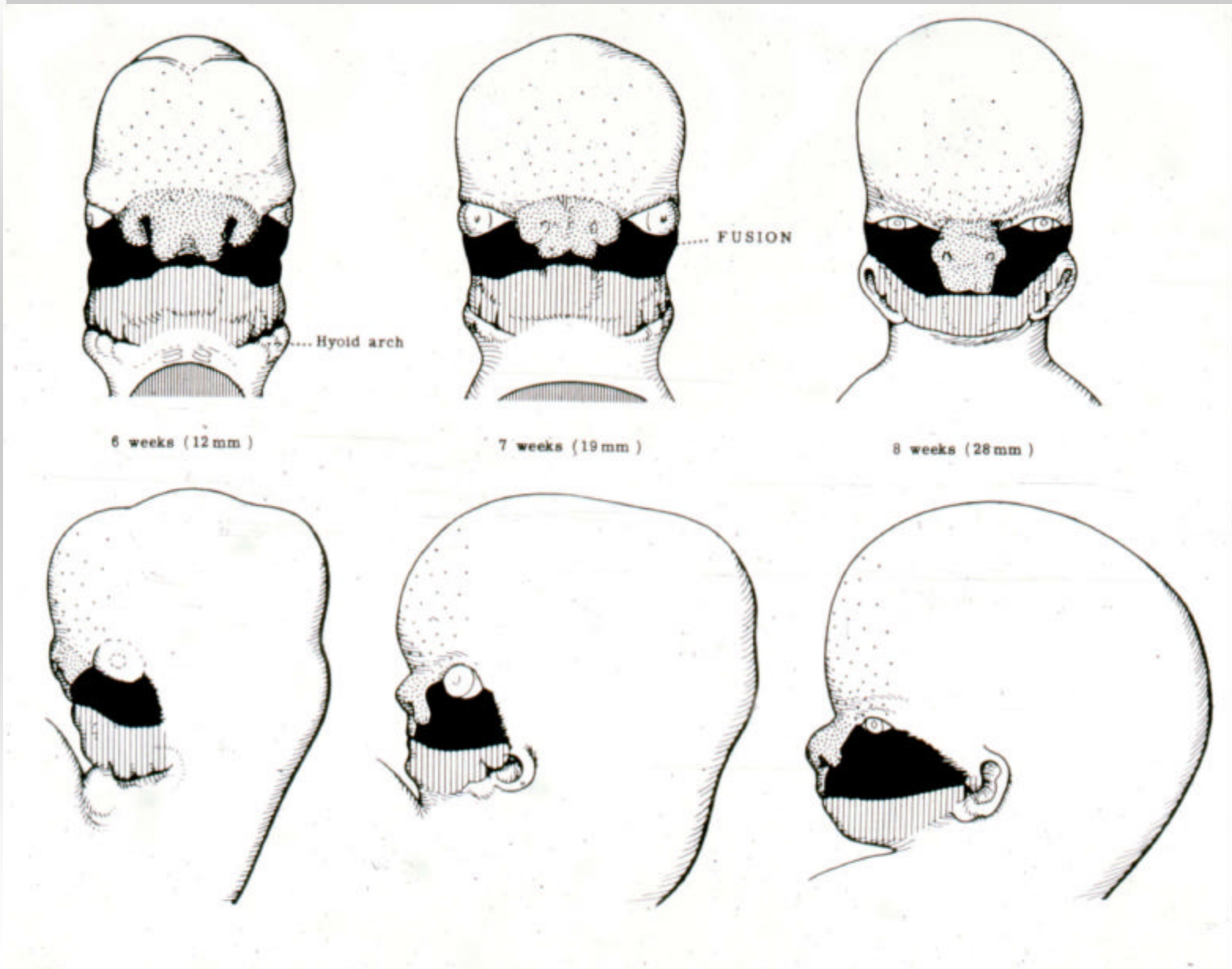
5 weeks ( 6 mm )



5 weeks ( 9 mm )



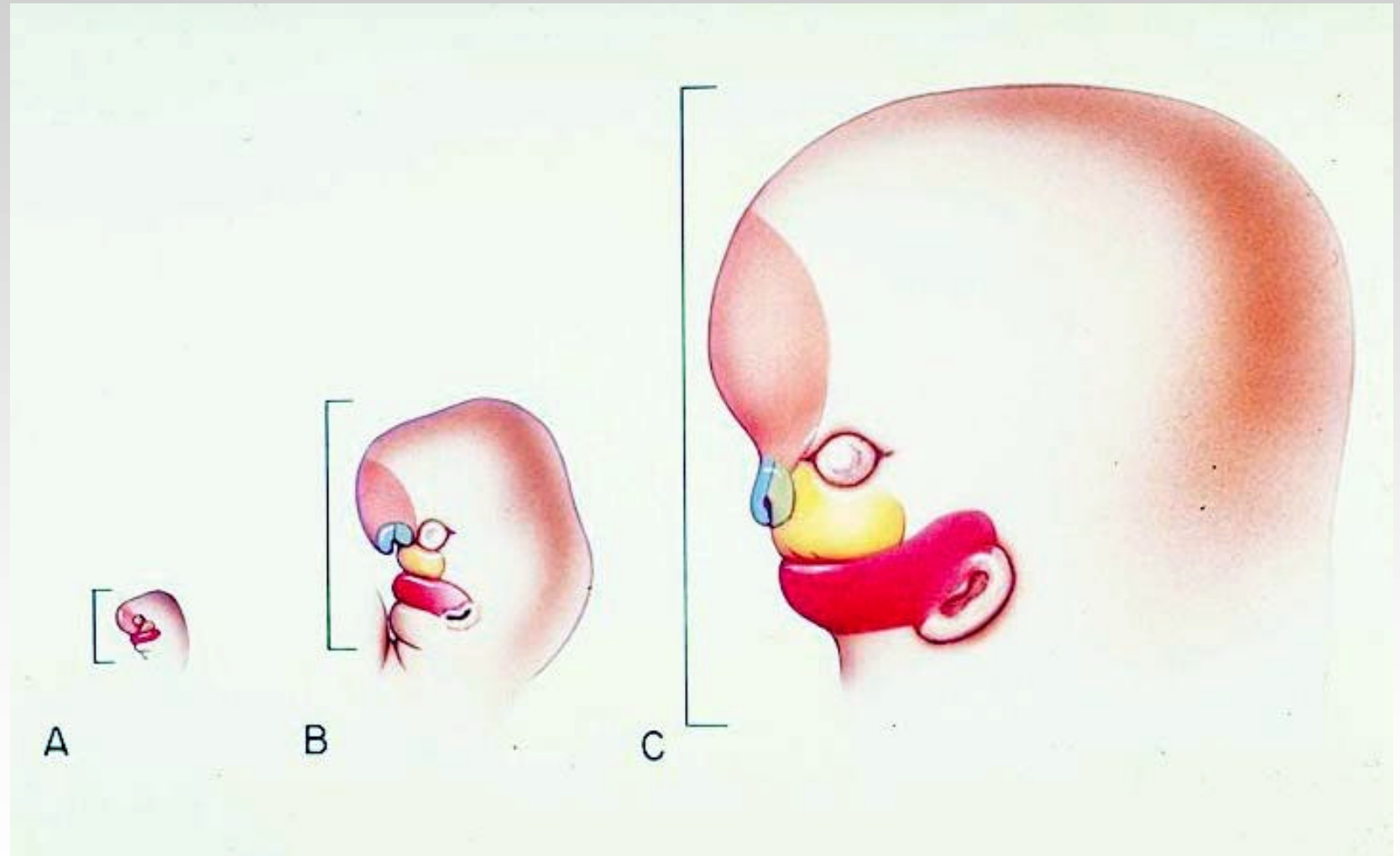
# Development external face (6-8 wks)



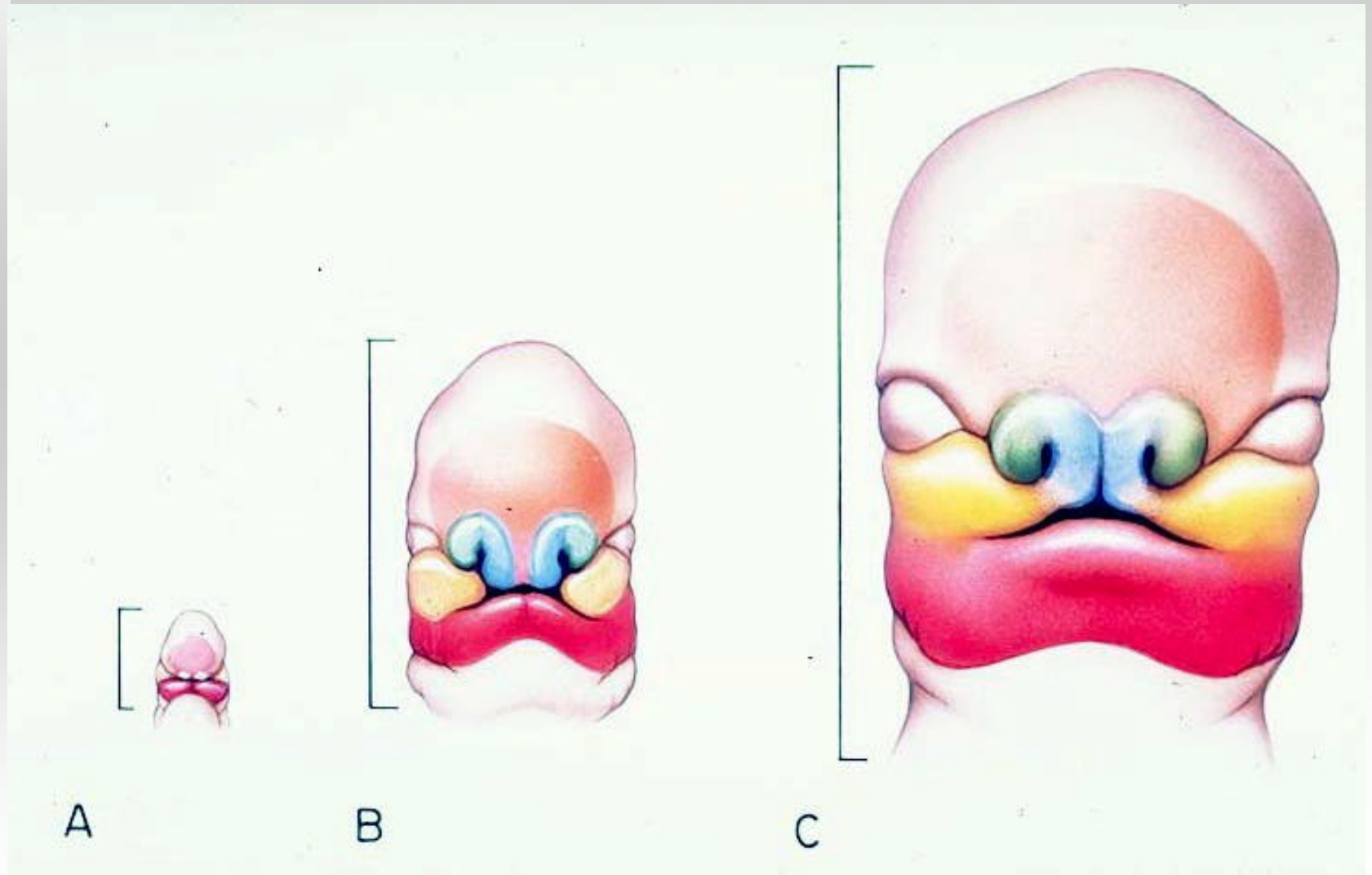
# Face development animation 1



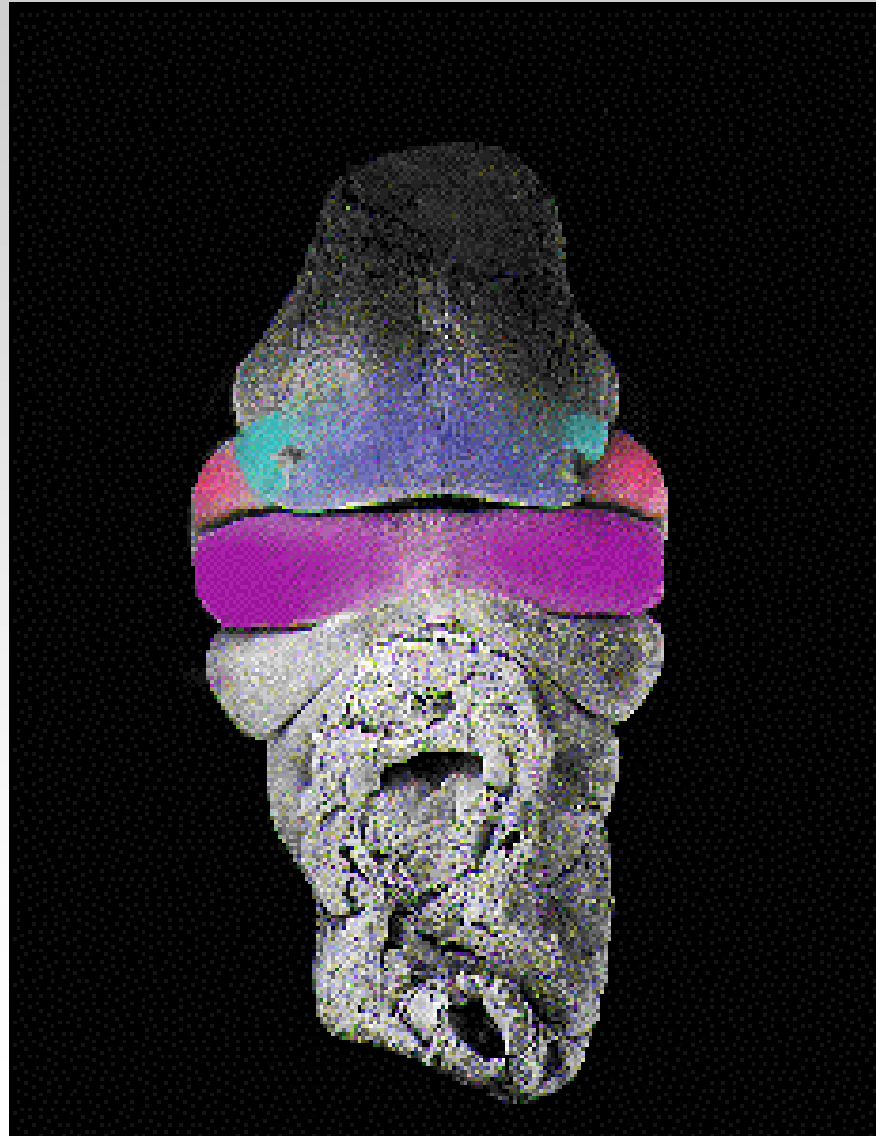
# Dimensional changes (4-6 wks)



**10-fold linear increase in size !**

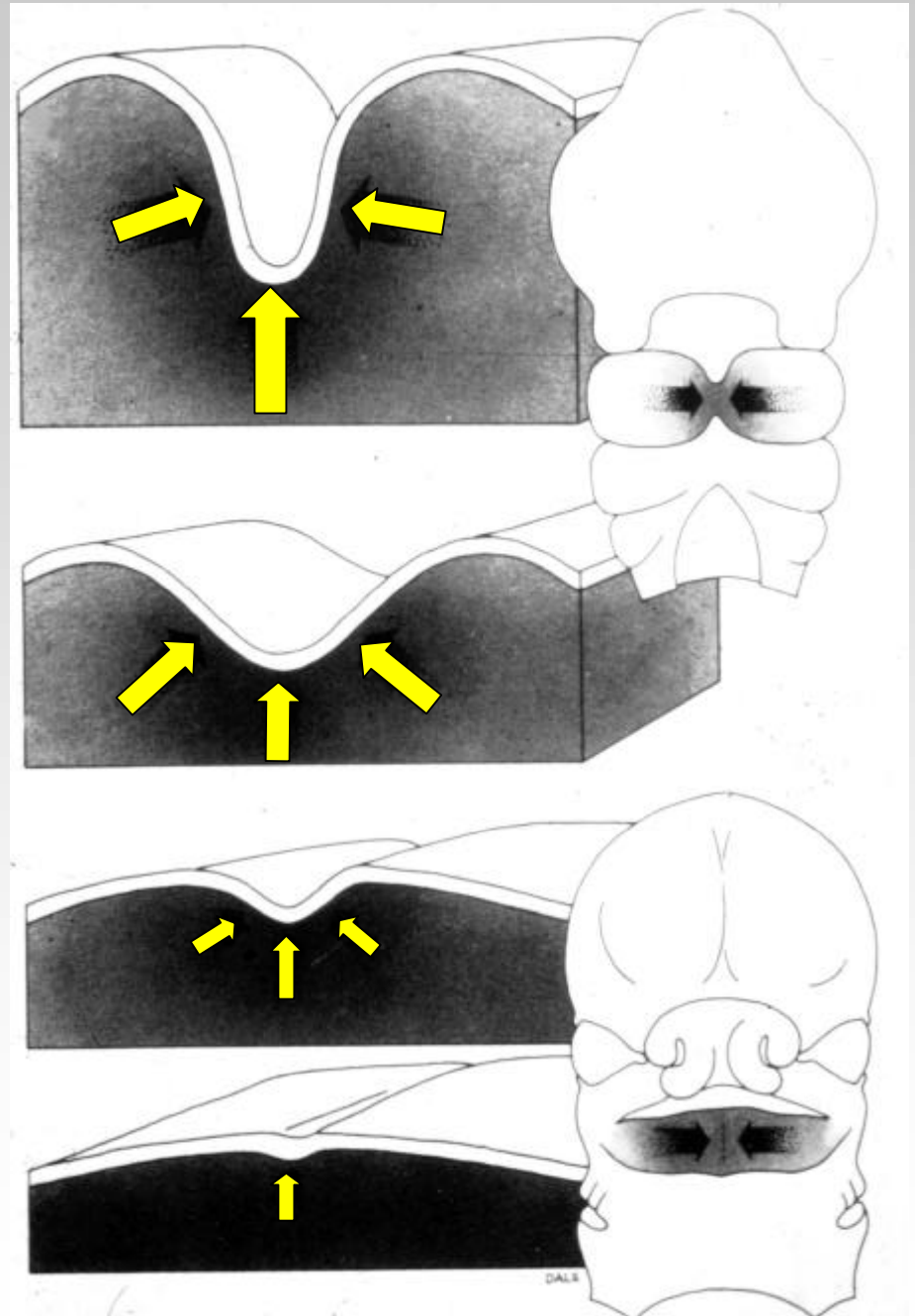


# Face development – animation 2

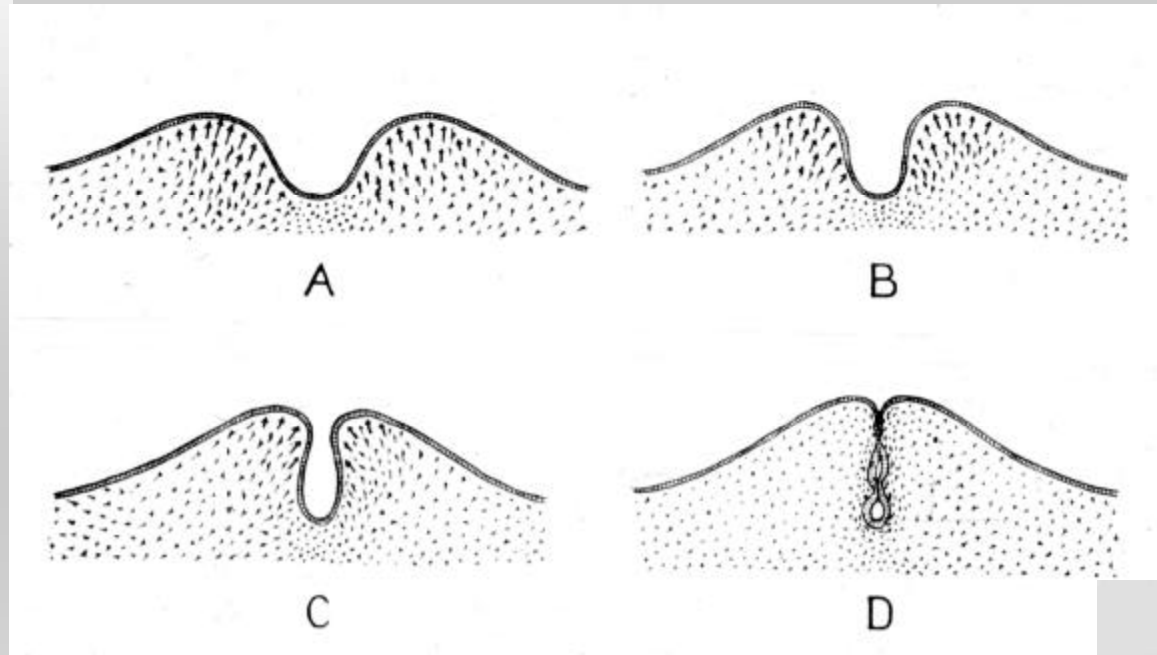


# Merging

**Differential  
mesenchymal  
proliferation.  
Elimination of  
groove.**



# Merging with epithelial inclusion

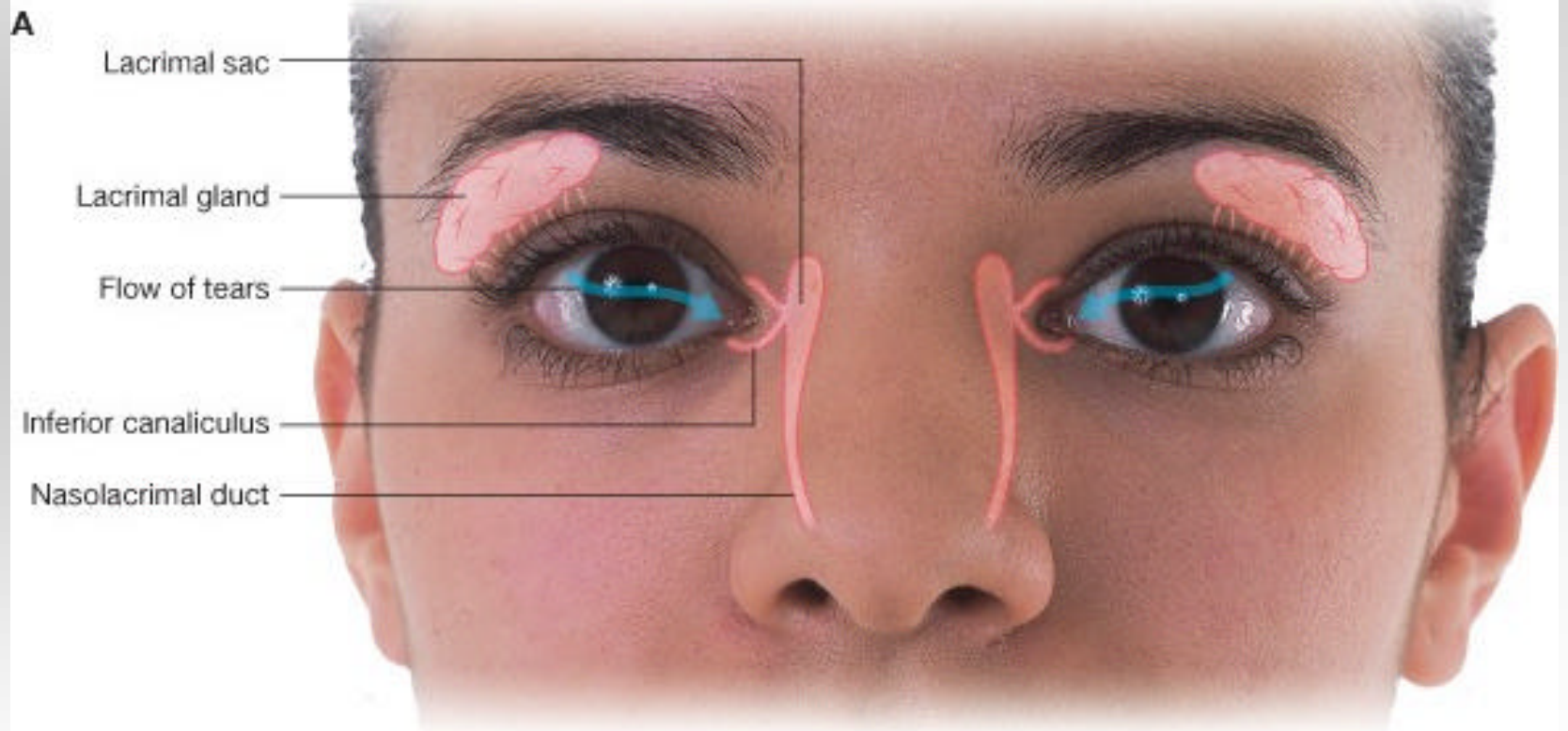


May result in facial cleft.

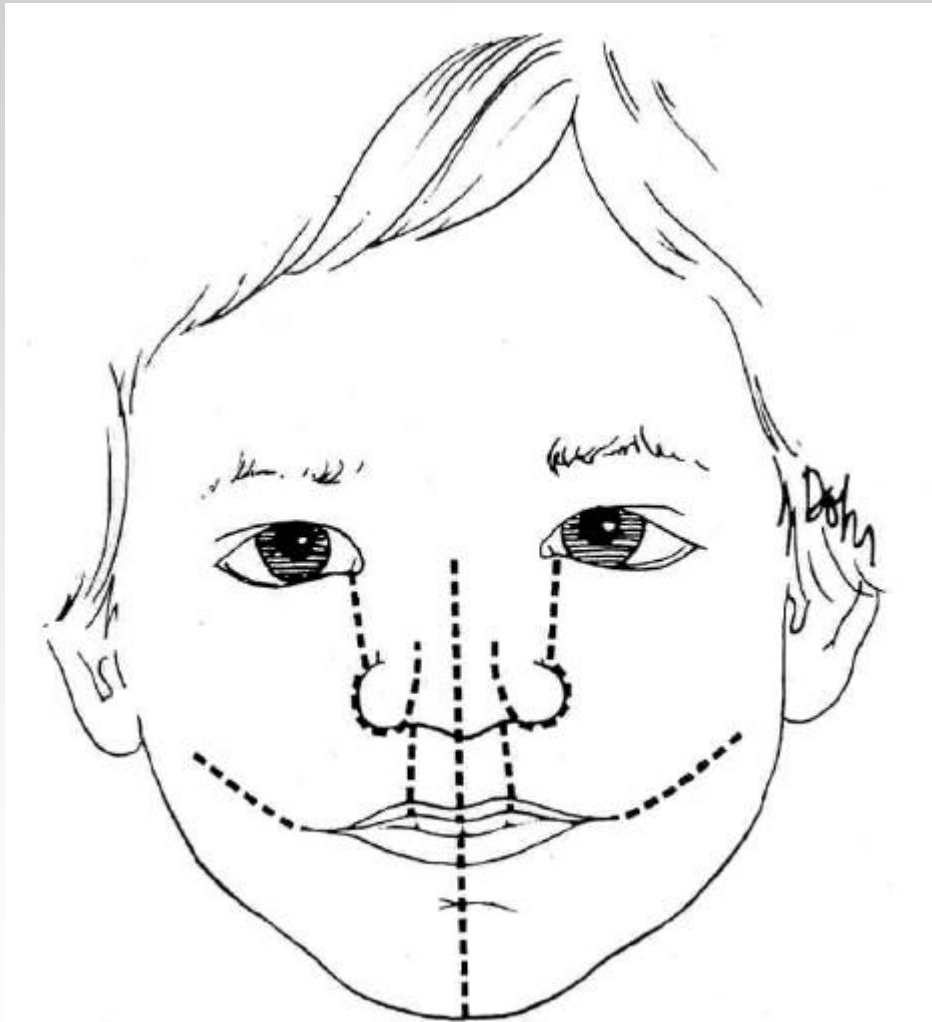
May be normal between LNP and maxillary process where enclosed epithelium gives rise to part of nasolacrimal duct epithelium.



# Nasolacrimal duct between maxillary and lateral nasal processes

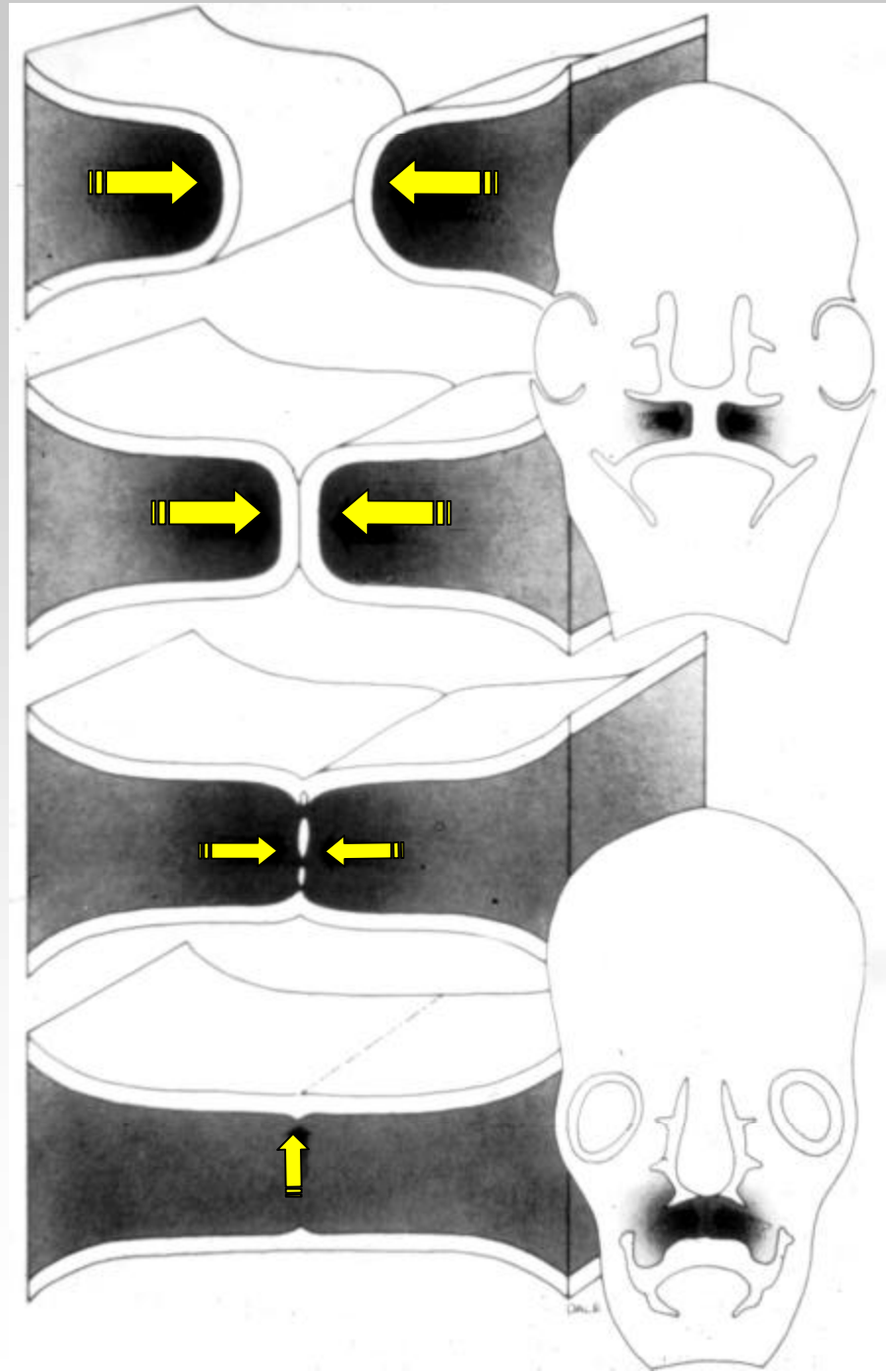


# Sites of potential facial clefts

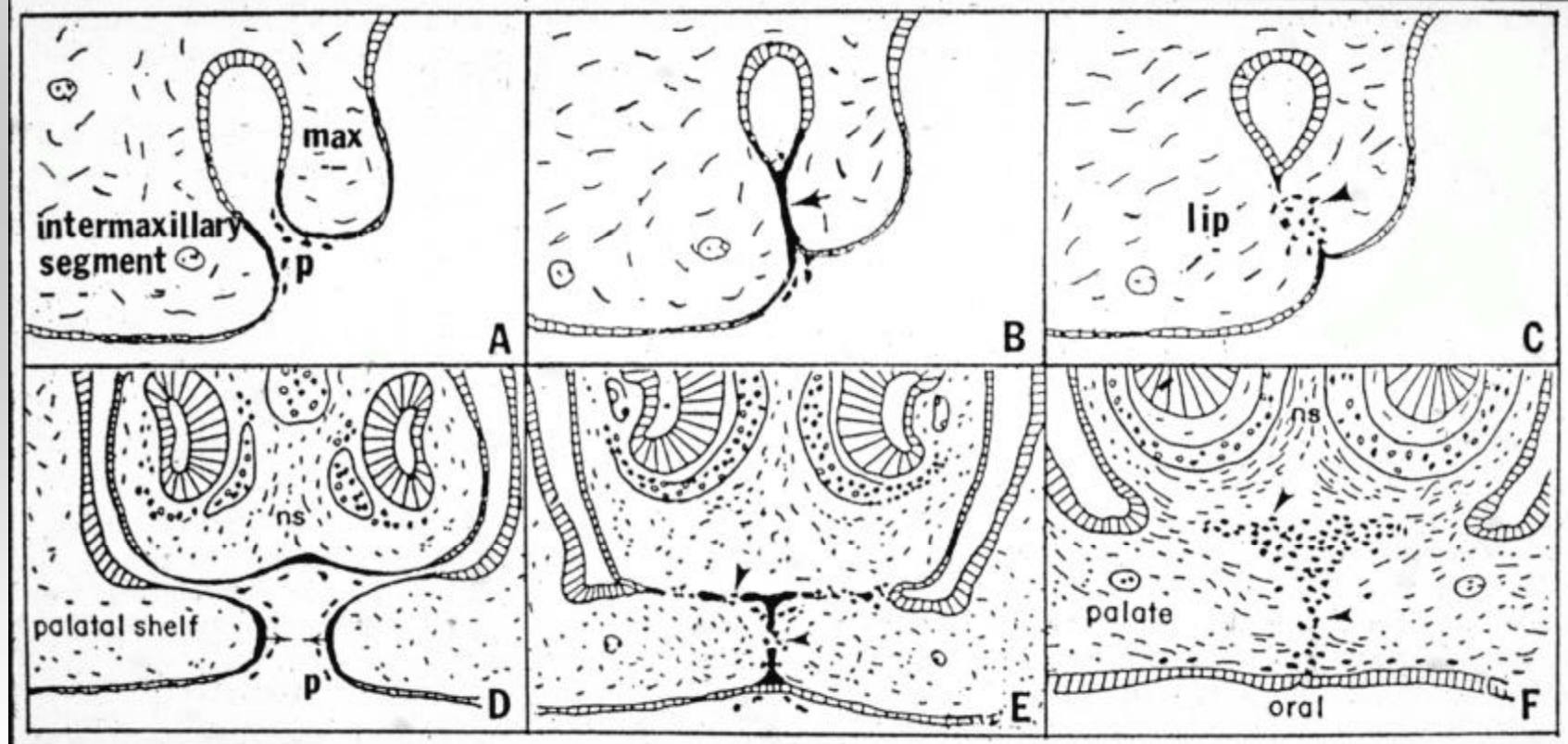


# Fusion

**Contact and fusion of epithelium-covered surfaces.  
Removal of epithelium**



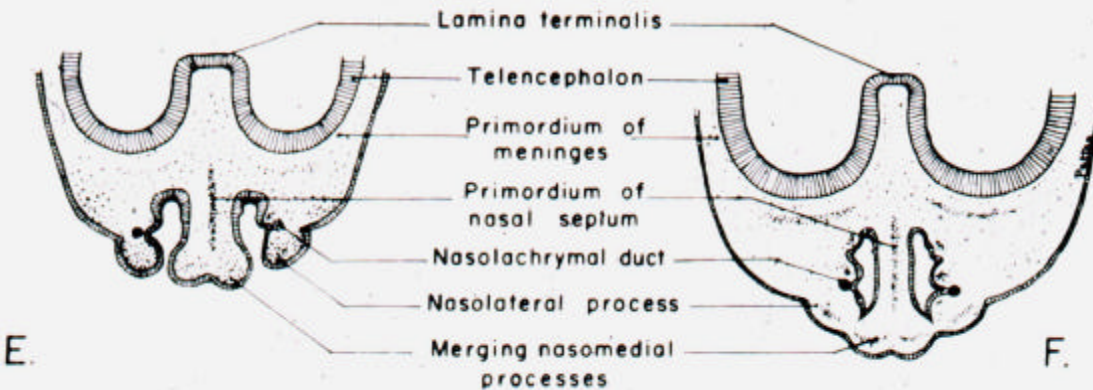
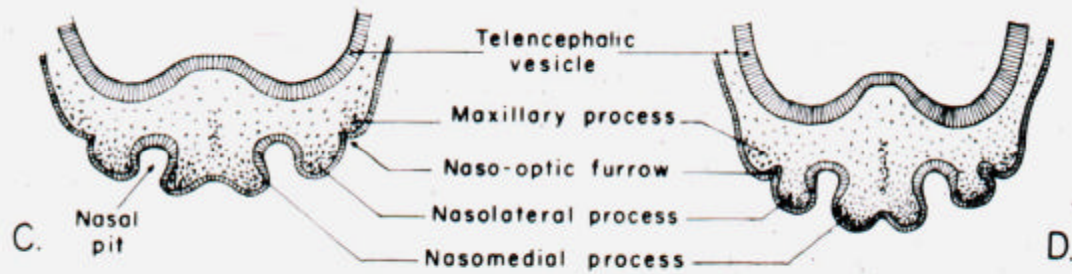
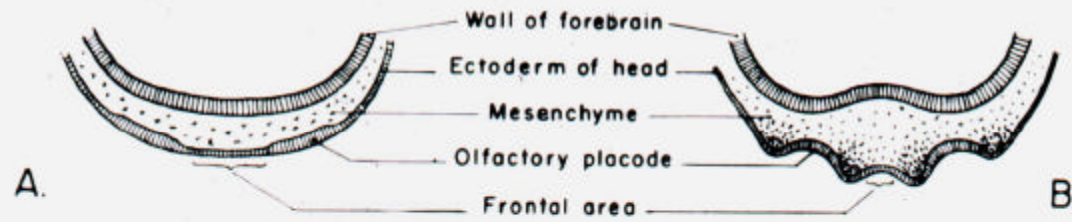
# Fusion in primary and secondary palate development



# **Fate of fused epithelium**

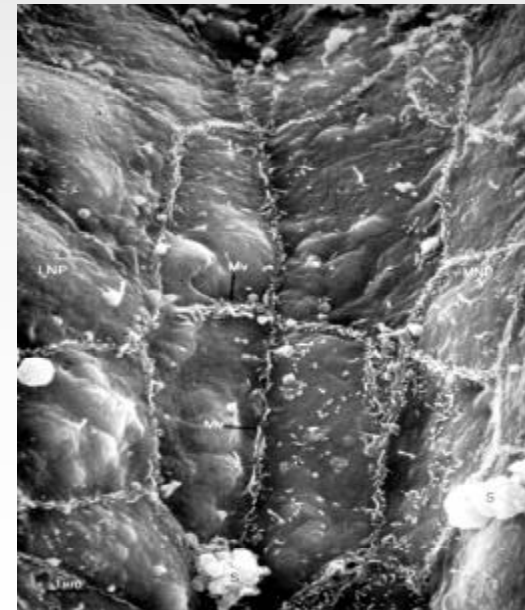
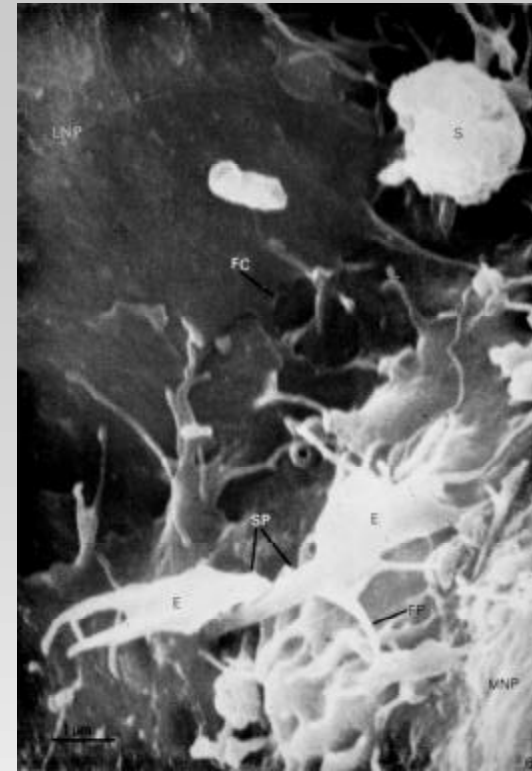
- **Non-proliferating epithelium in rapidly growing environment: passive stretch and incorporation in nearby surface epithelia**
- **Apoptosis and phagocytosis**
- **Epithelial-mesenchymal transformation**

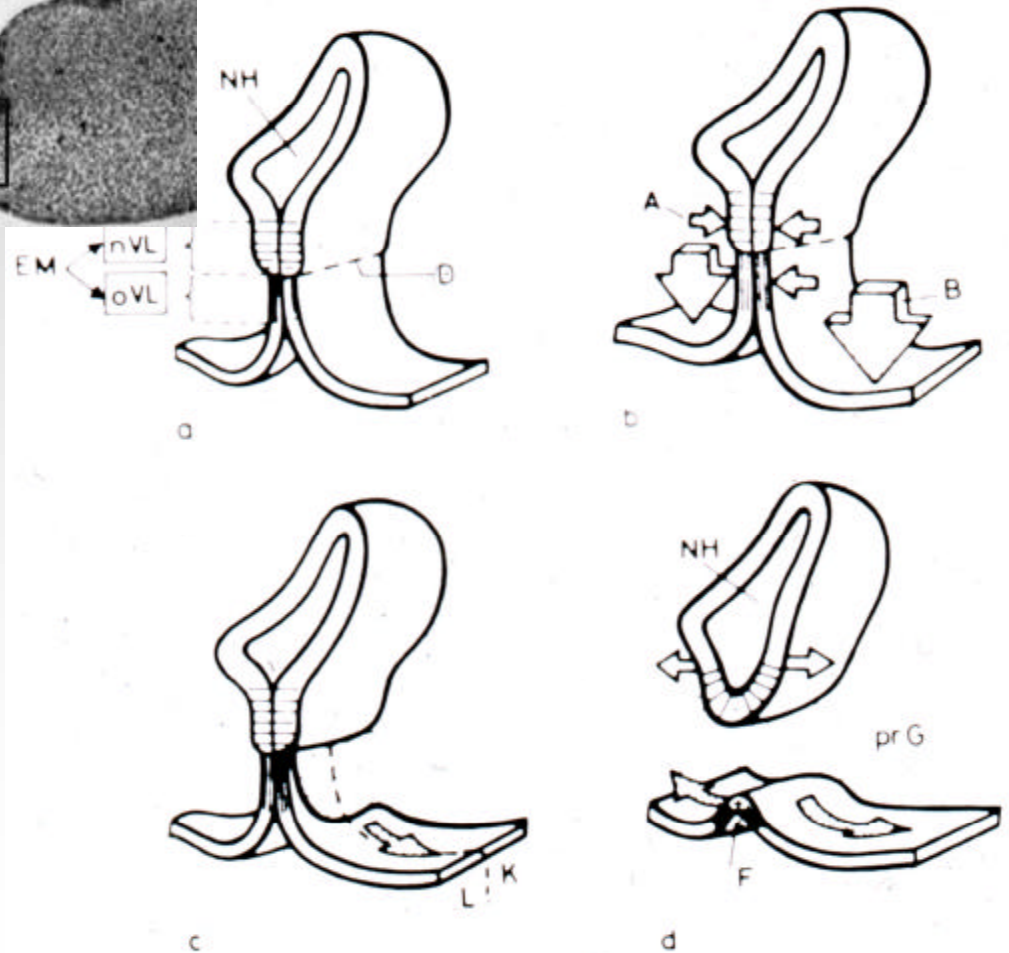
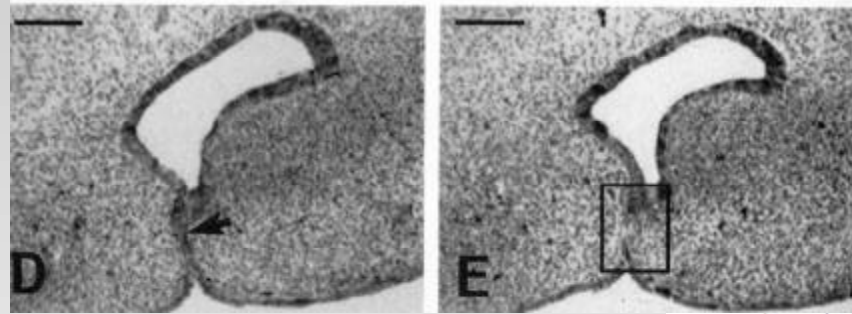
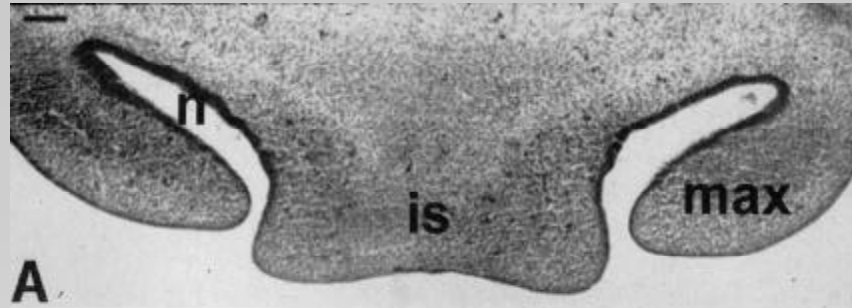
# Development of nose



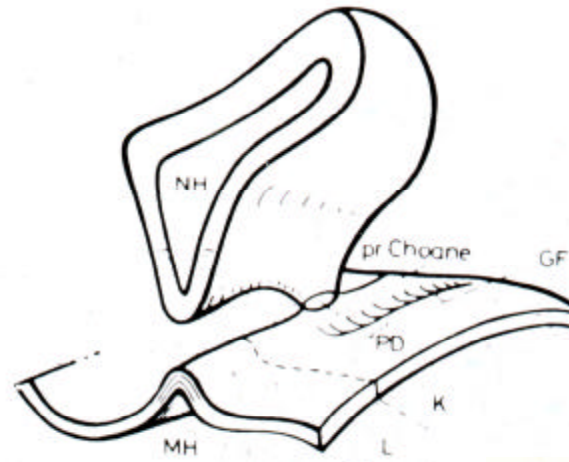
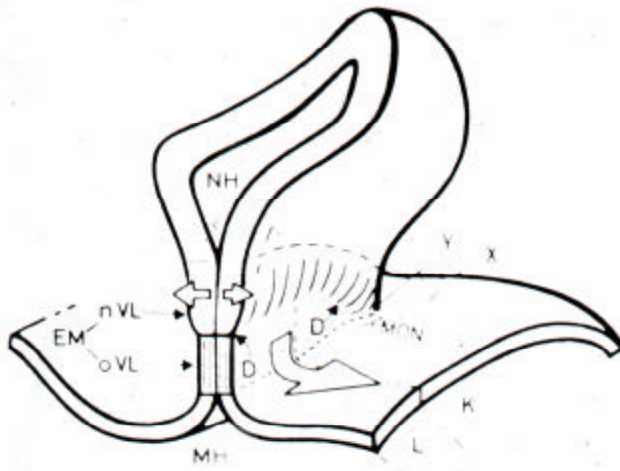


**Initial fusion of medial and lateral nasal processes, and subsequently between medial nasal and maxillary processes.**

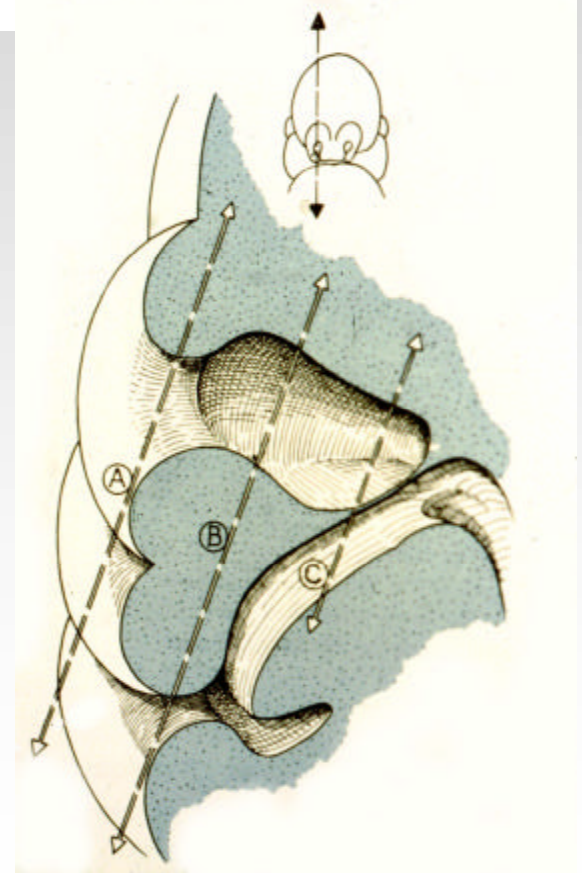


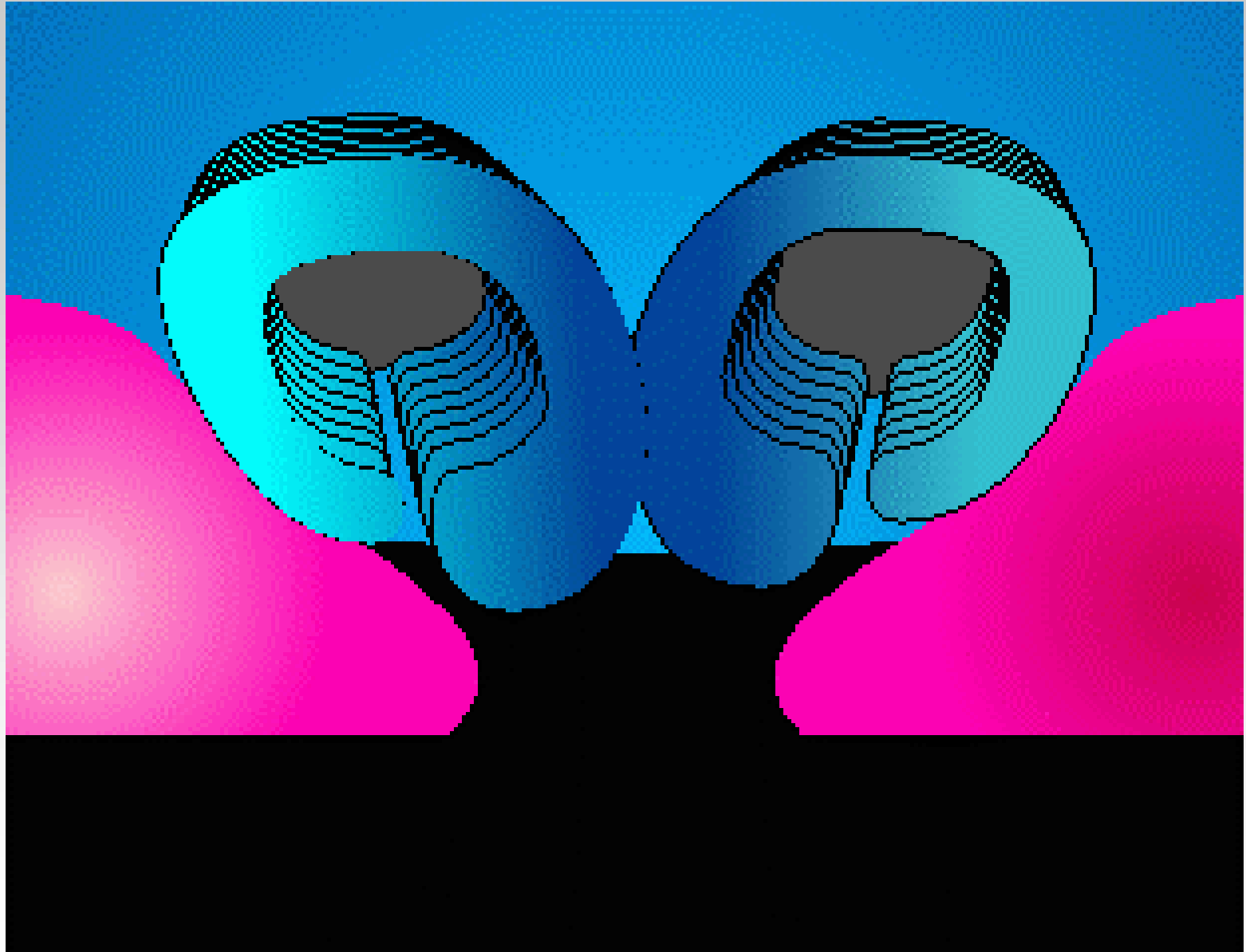


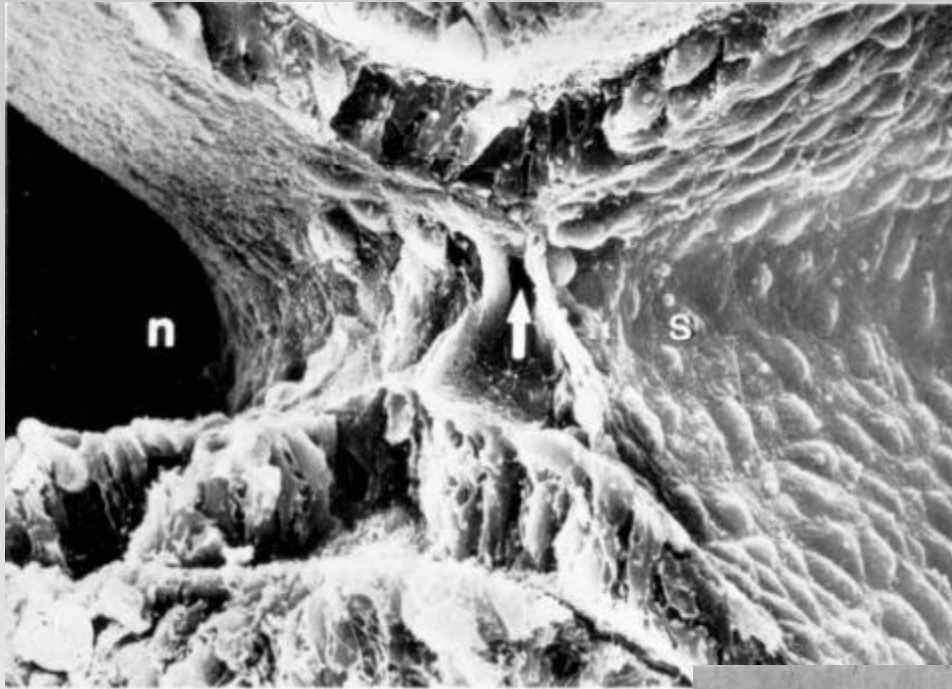
**Disappearance  
of epithelium in  
fusion line.**



**All epithelium in fusion line is removed except oronasal membrane (ectoderm-ectoderm)**

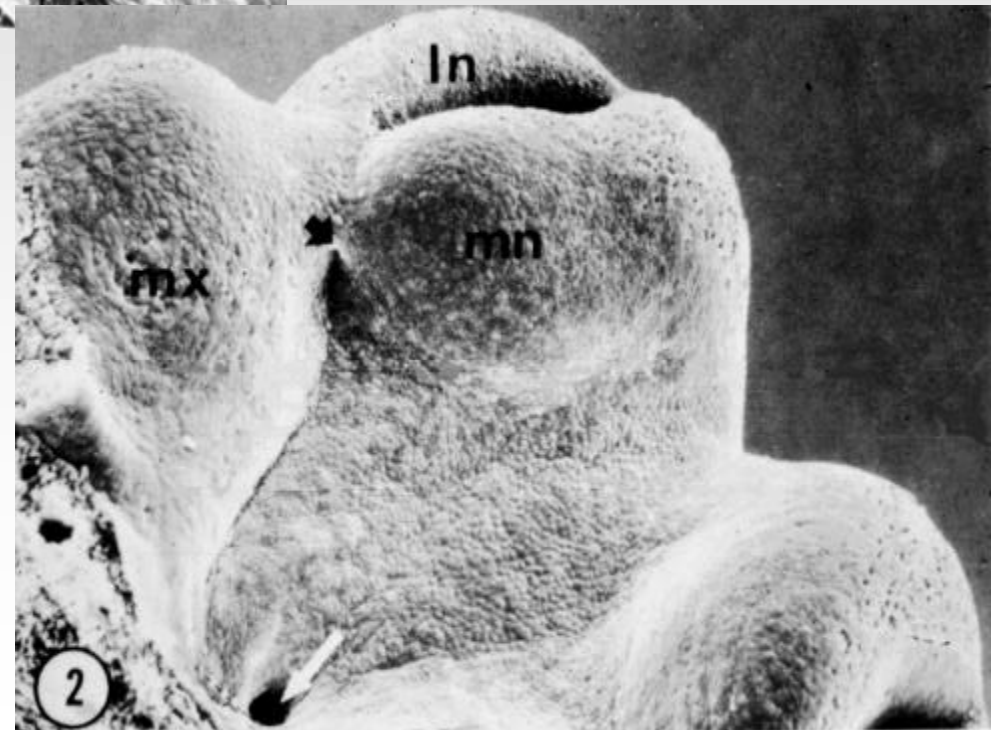






# Oronasal membrane

**Breaks down at about 6 wks of development.**



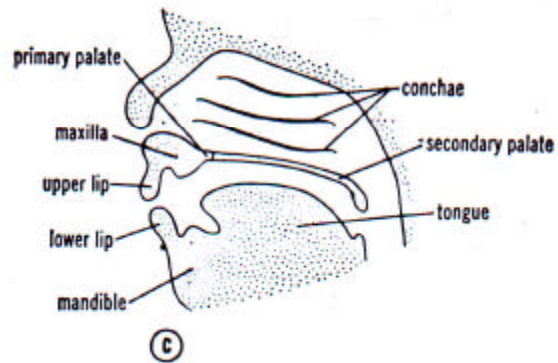
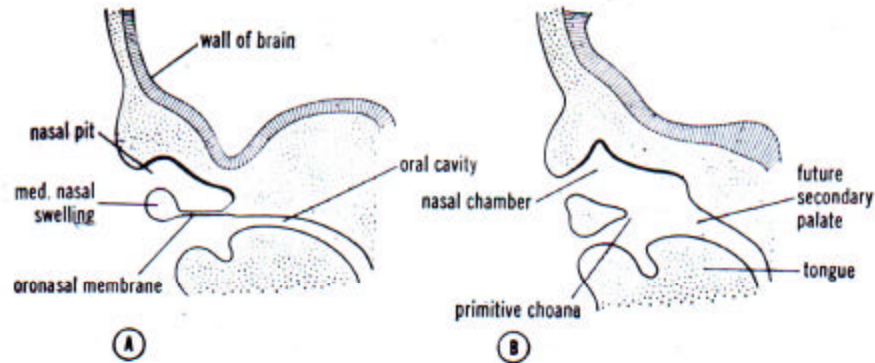
# Primary (primitive) palate



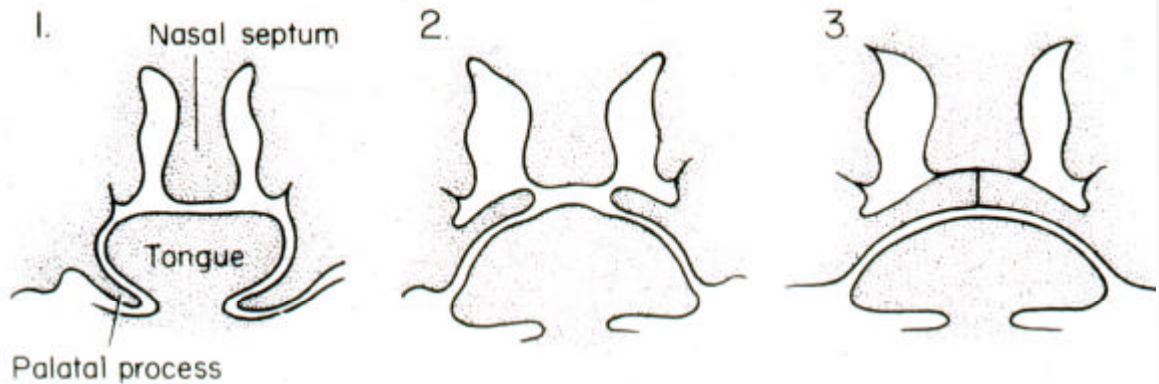
**Primary palate composed of: intermaxillary segment of merged MNP's and the rostral tips of the maxillary processes.**

**P: primary (primitive) choana permitting oro-nasal communication**

# Development of primary and secondary palate



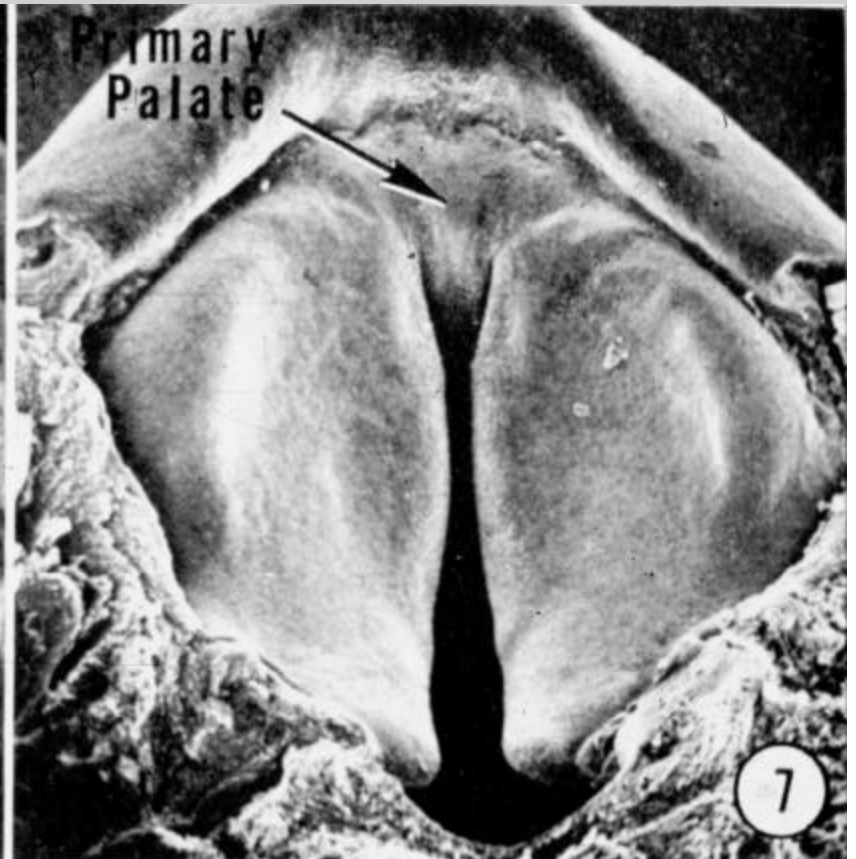
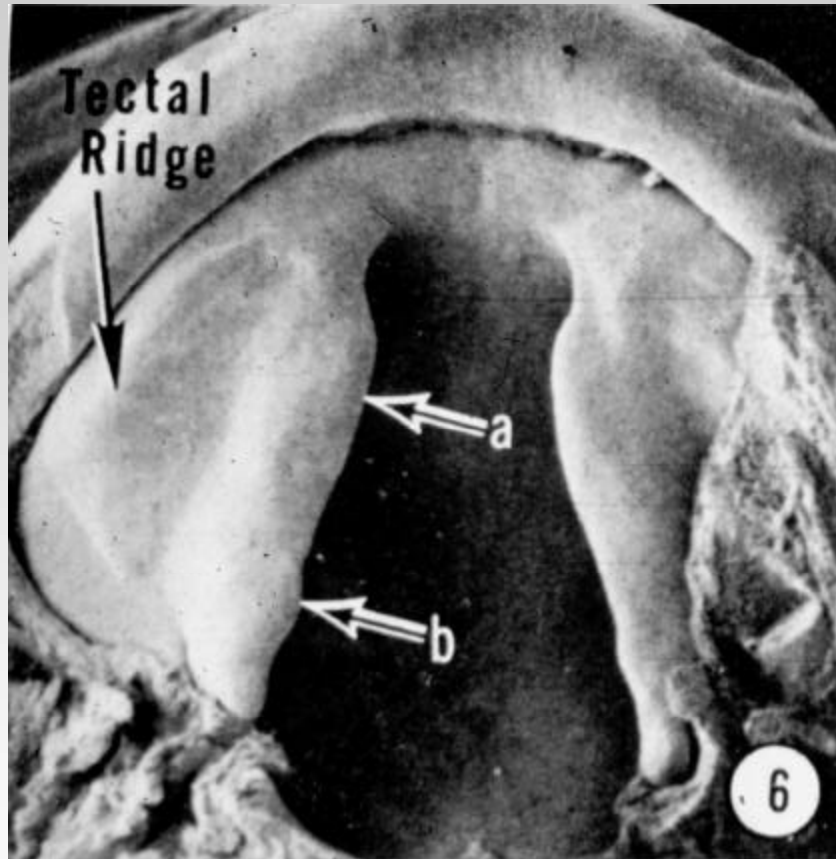
## Secondary palate development



## **Intrinsic factors in the successful development of the secondary palate: increase in size of palatal processes**

- Mesenchymal cell proliferation – ceases hours before palatal processes become horizontal
- ECM production increasing volume of palatal processes
- Hydration of ECM – major increase in volume and turgor just prior to horizontalization

# Secondary palate development



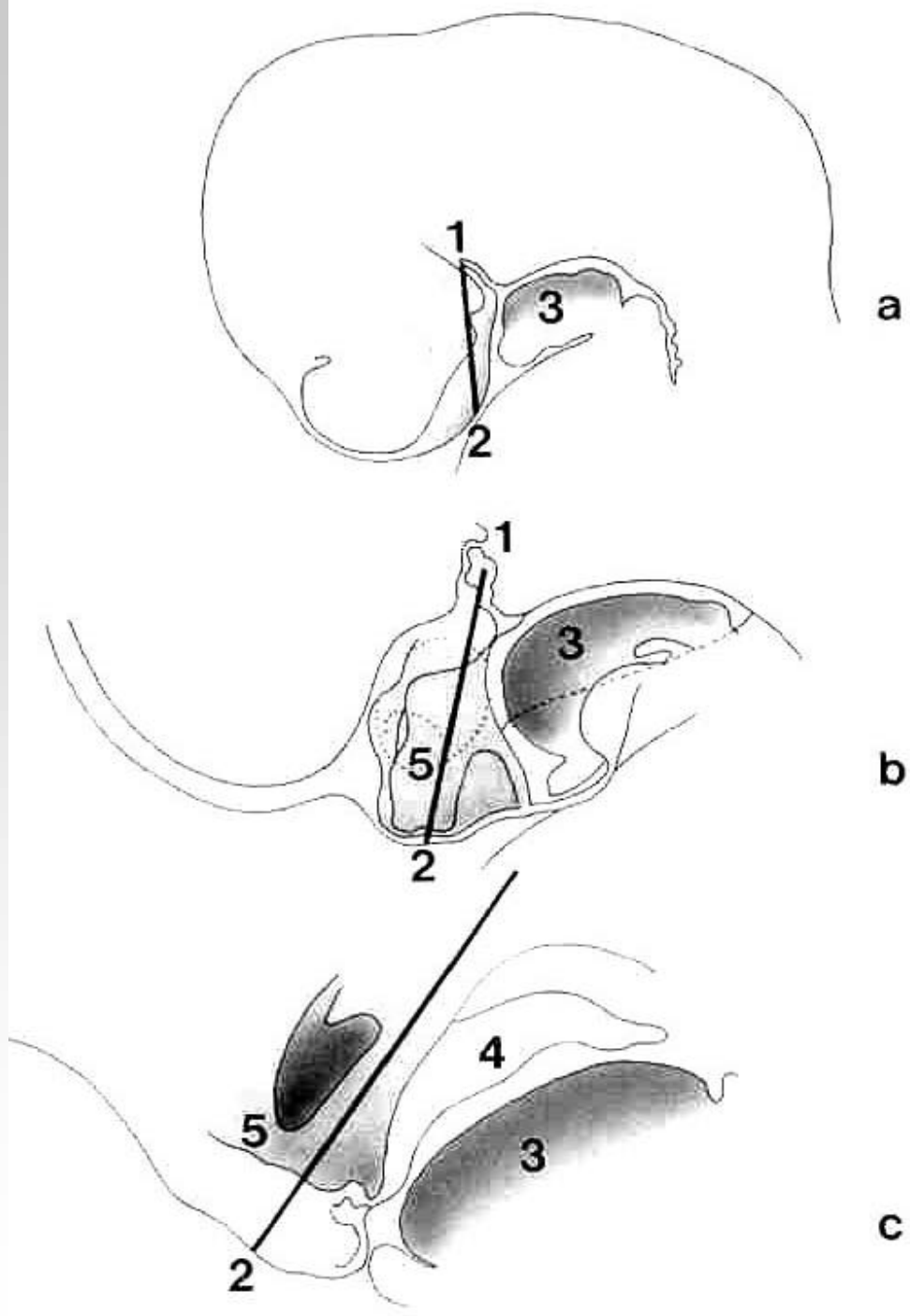
**Palatal processes develop on the oral surfaces of the maxillary processes: initially vertically oriented, they assume horizontal orientation during eighth week of development.**

# Horizontalization of palatal processes



# **Factors contributing to the horizontalization of the palatal processes**

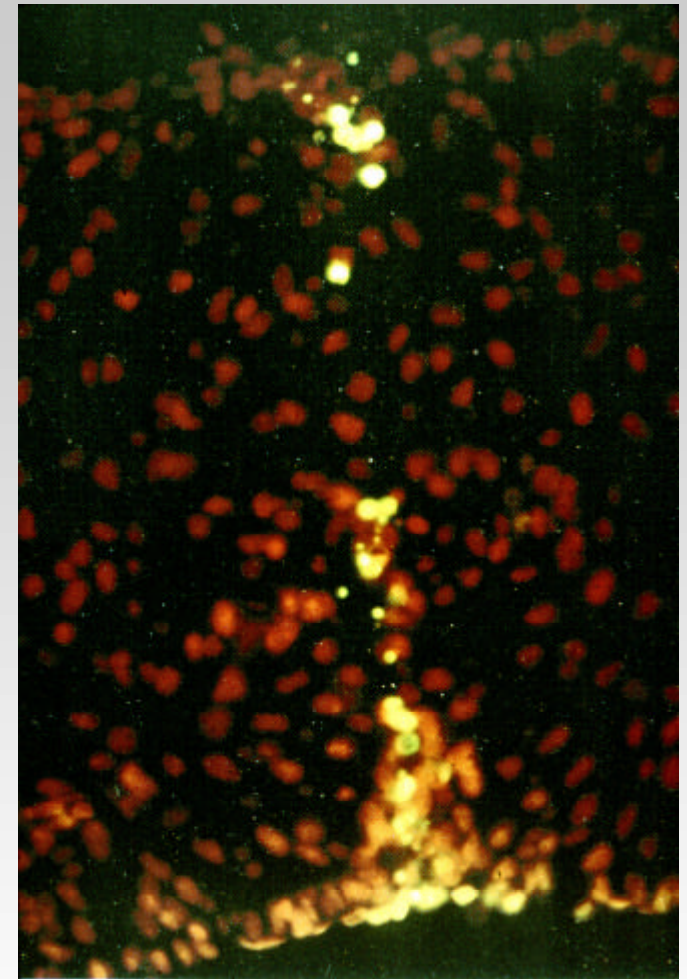
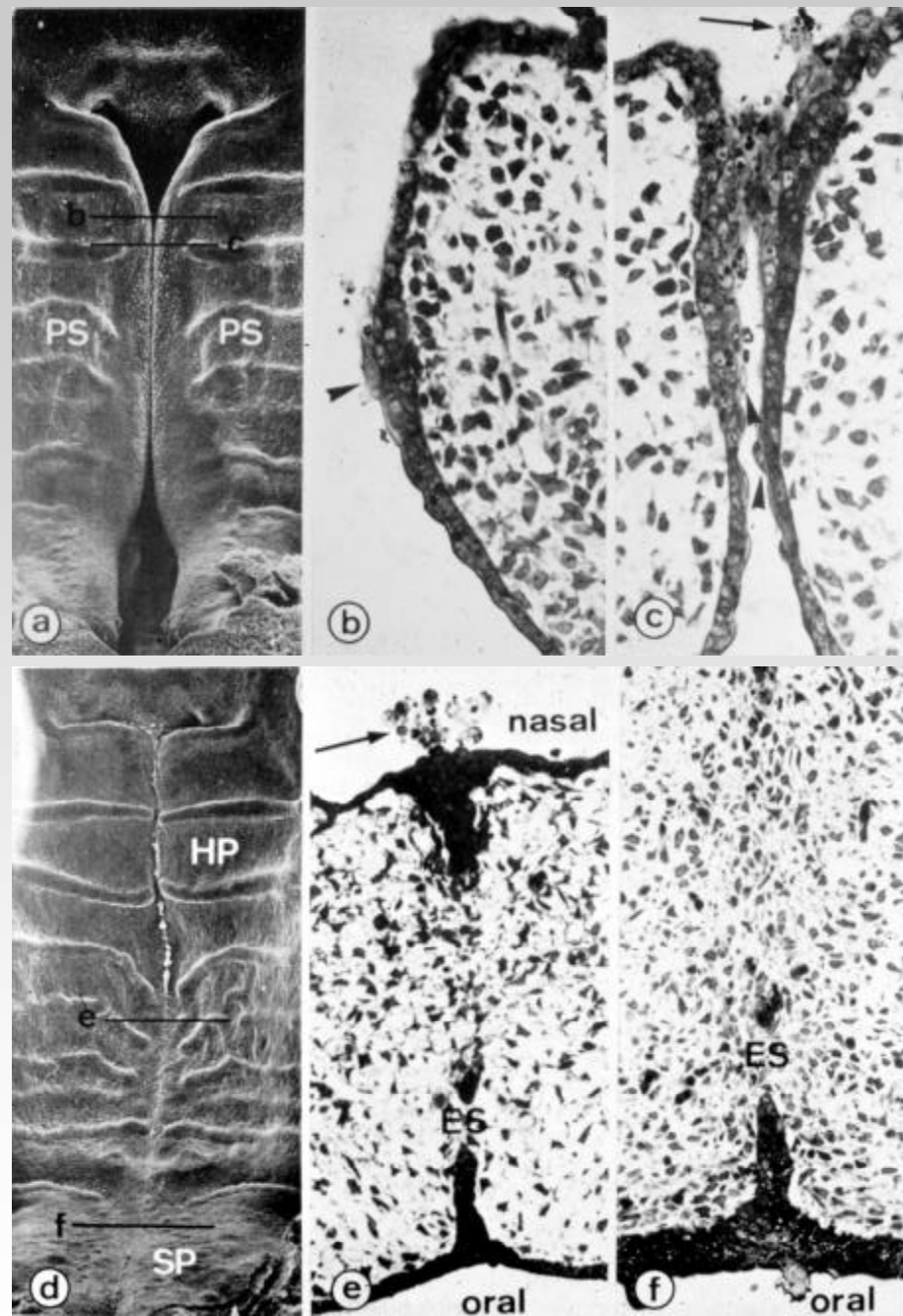
- Turgor in the palatal processes
- Movements of the tongue – primitive swallowing- allowing tongue to move out of the way
- Downward and forward growth of lower jaw complex – providing space for the secondary palate
- Straightening of the cranial base – providing mechanical conditions for horizontalization



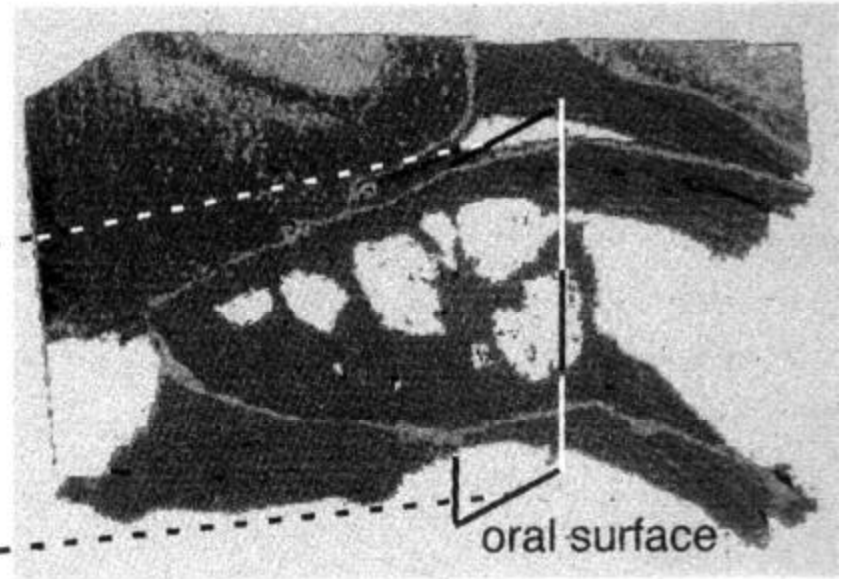
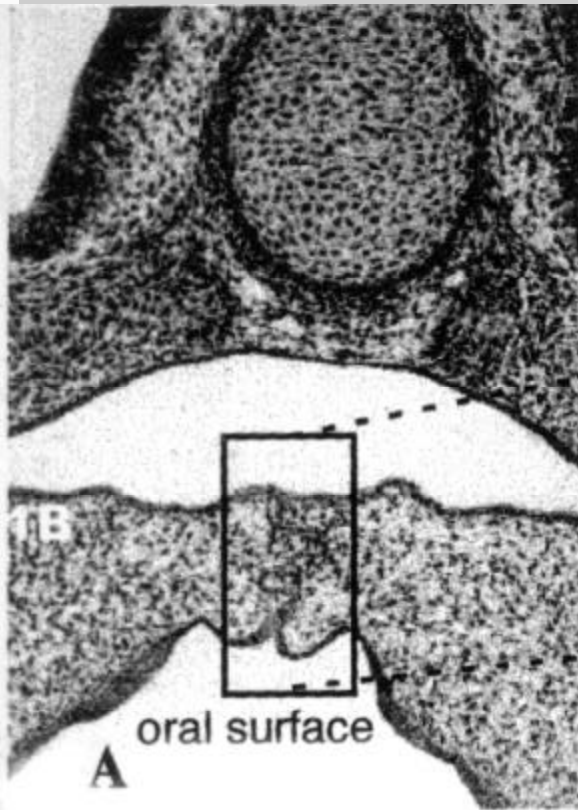


## **Factors contributing to the successful fusion of the secondary palate: the medial edge epithelium (MEE)**

- Apoptosis of MEE surface cells immediately prior to fusion
- Development of temporary glycoprotein membrane coating, enabling adhesion between MEE cells of opposing palatal processes
- Successful removal of MEE from fusion line

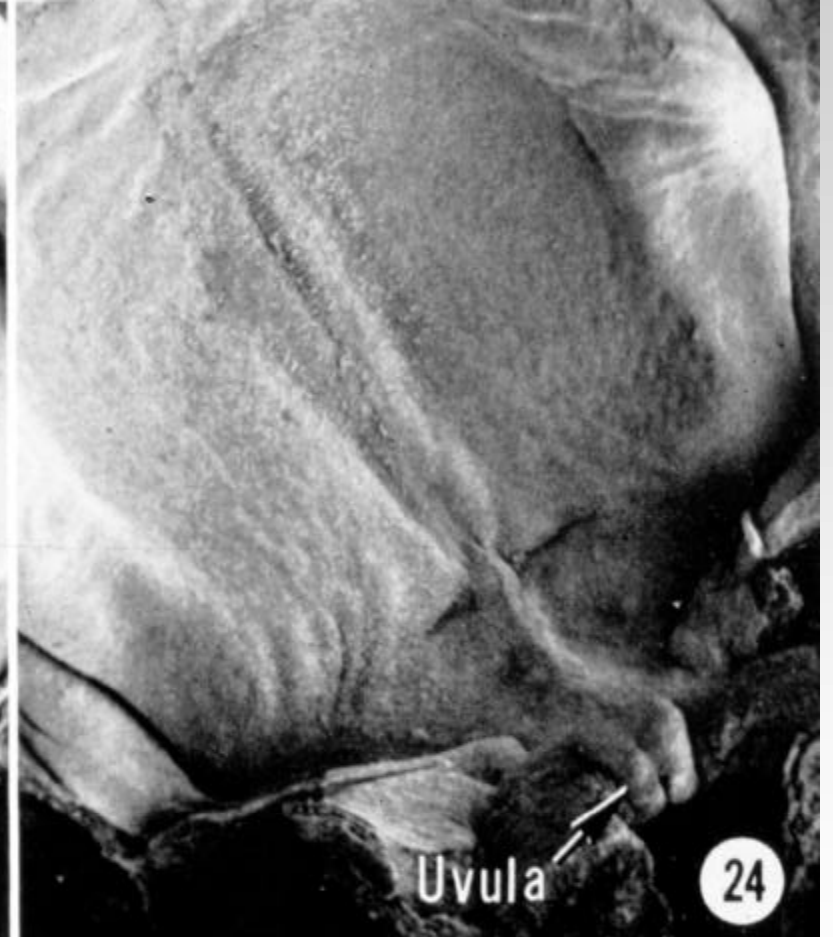
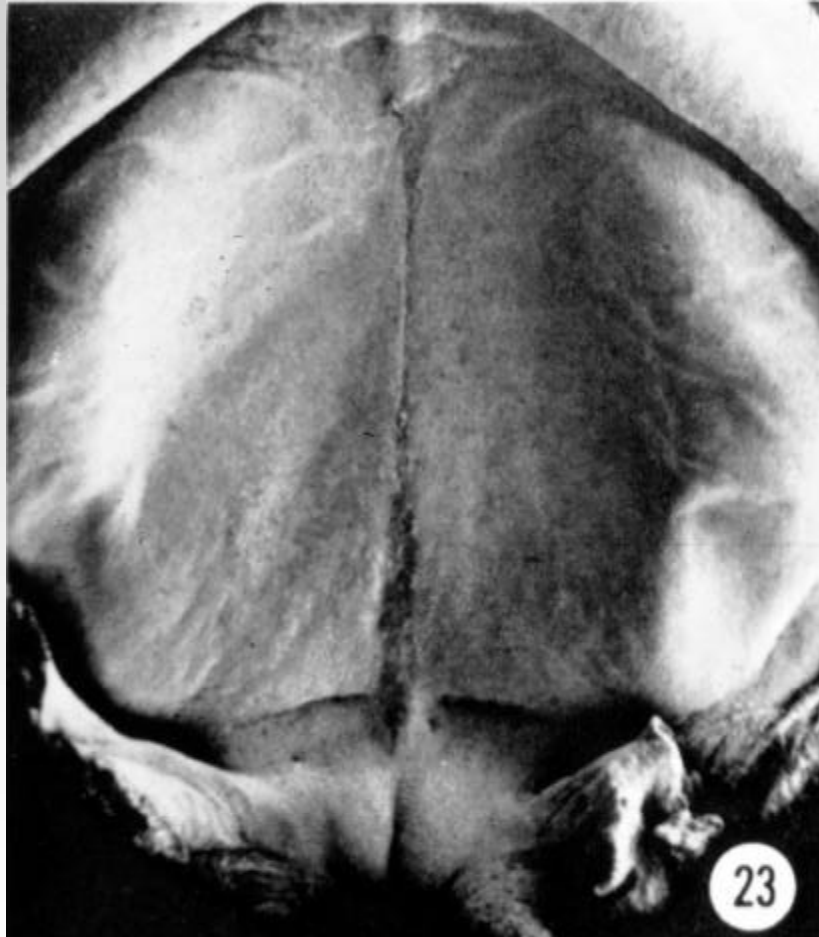


**Fate of MEE cells:  
apoptosis (TUNEL  
reaction above) and  
phagocytosis**

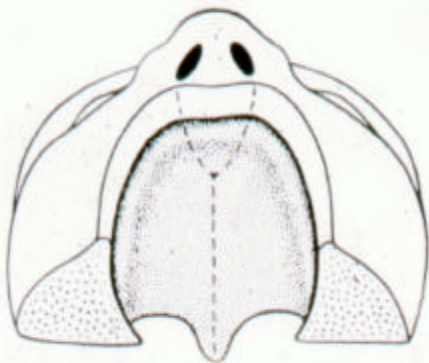


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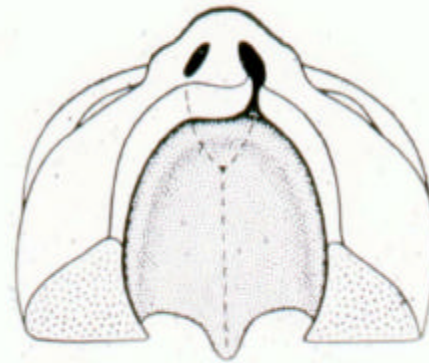
# Completion of palate formation



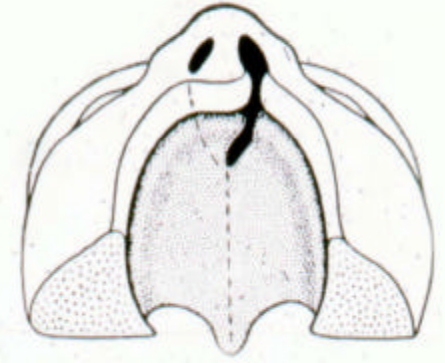
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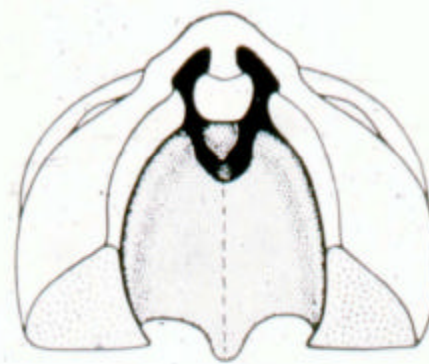
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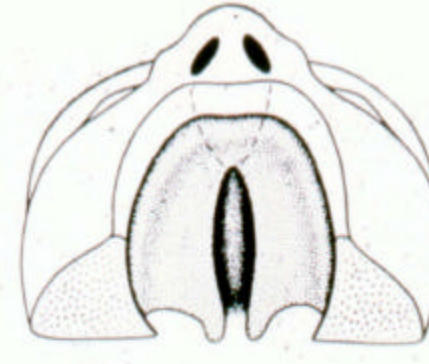
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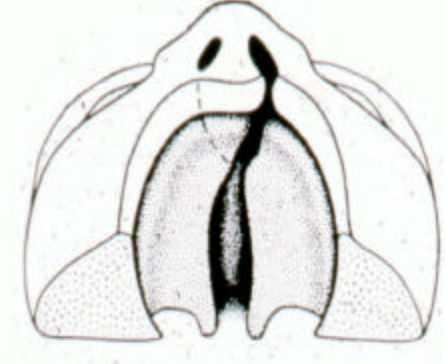
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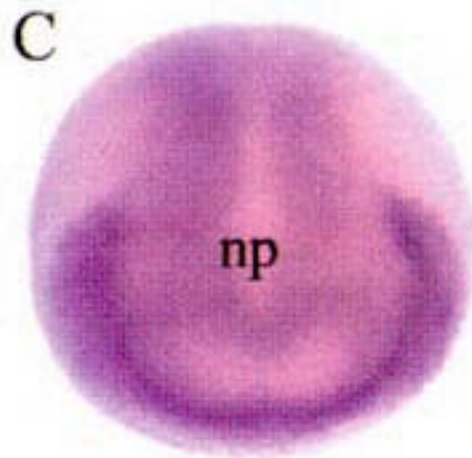
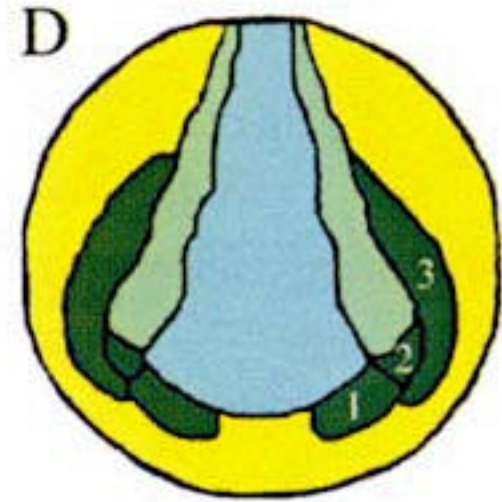
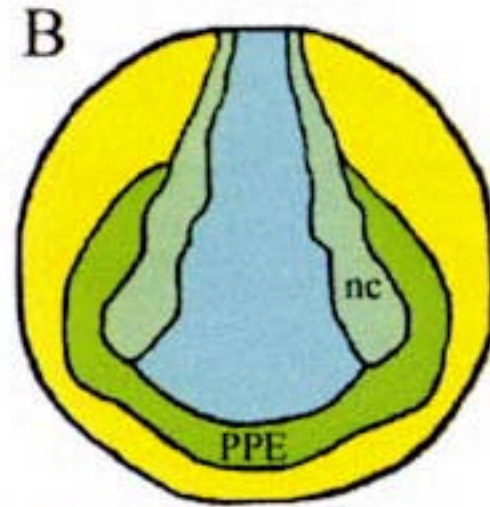
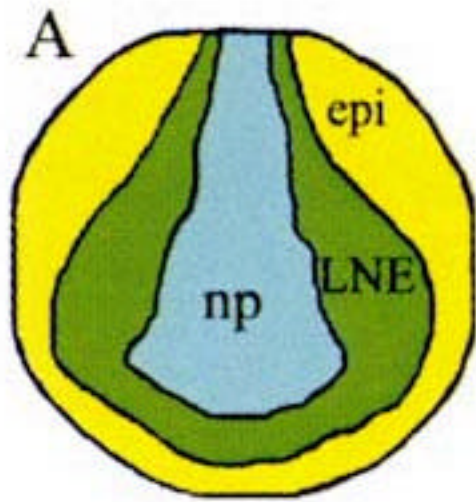
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# **PLACODES**

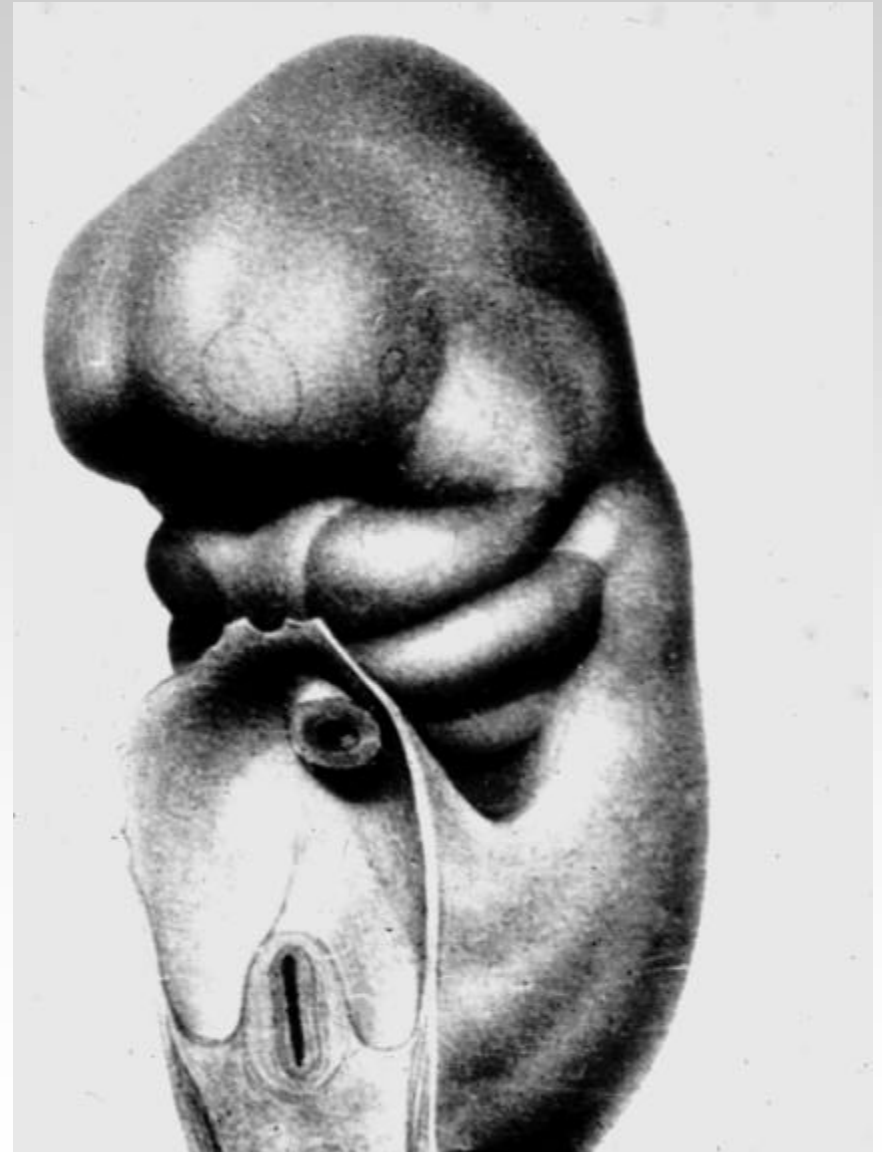
**Localized thickened areas of specialized ectoderm, lateral to the neural crest, at the border between neural plate and the future epidermis.**



# Location of placodes

- *Near forebrain :*

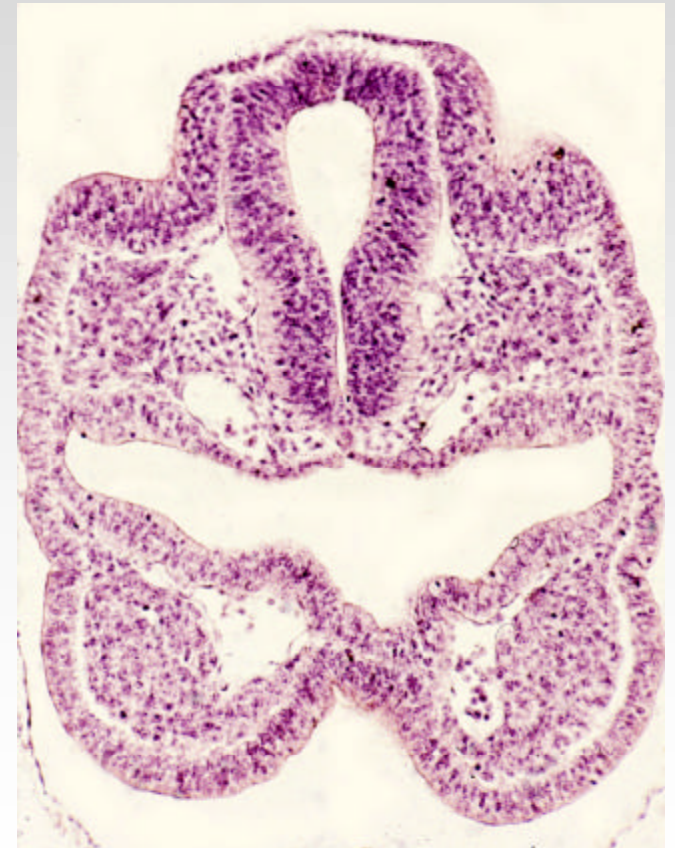
- ◆ **Olfactory placode**
- ◆ **Lens placode**



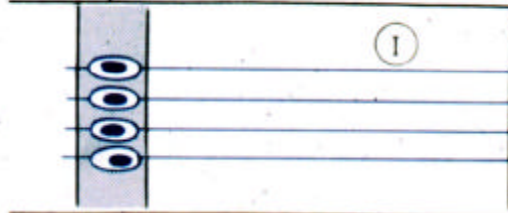
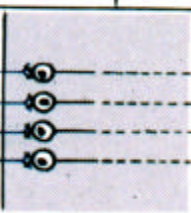
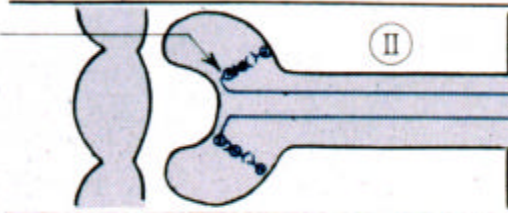
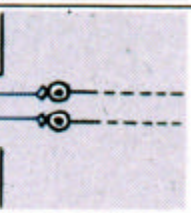
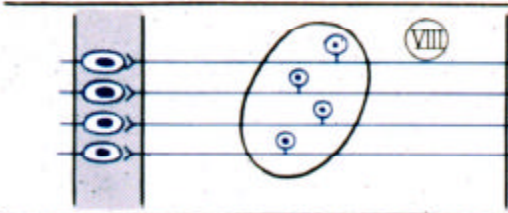
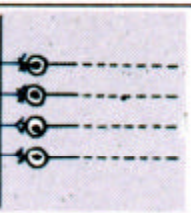
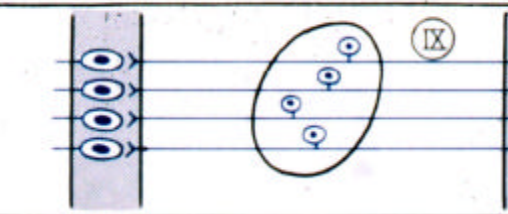
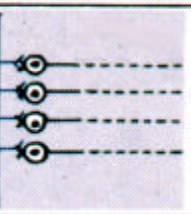
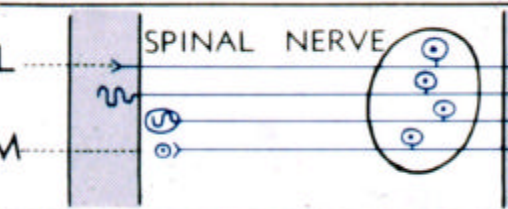
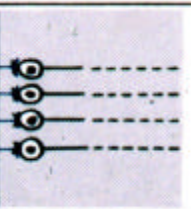
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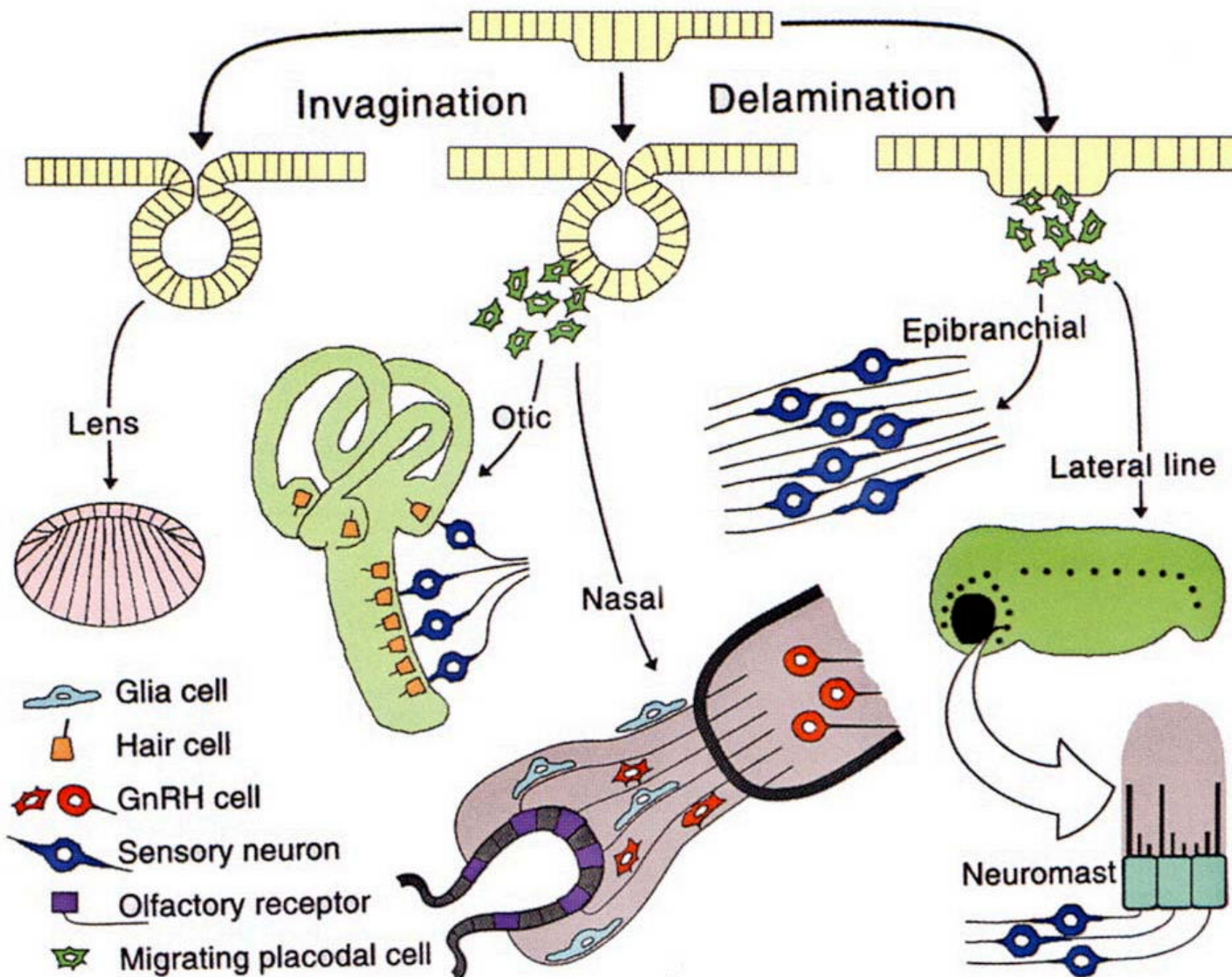
- *Dorsolateral* :

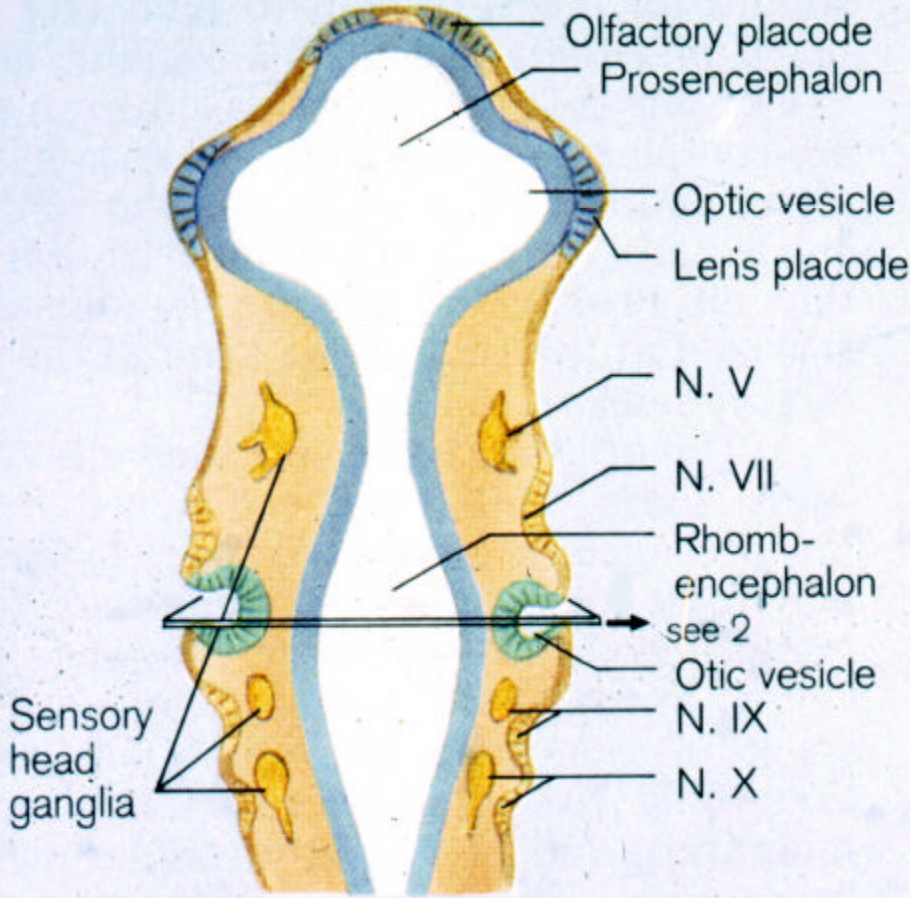
**Otic placode: related to (= evolved from or having common origin with) lateral line system**



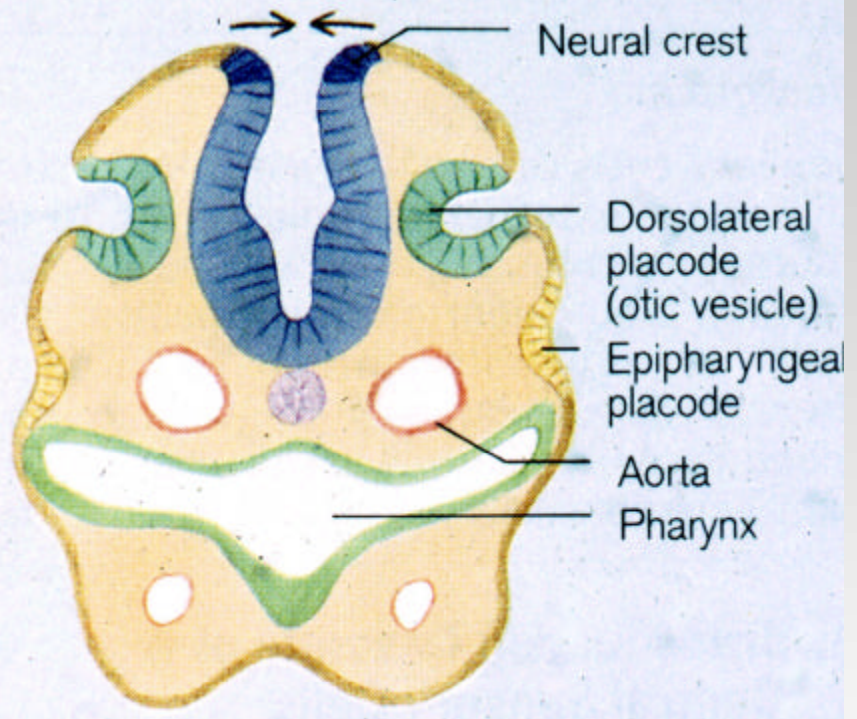
# Development of organs of special sense

|   |   | Surface ectoderm  | Nervous System  |                     | ORIGIN OF SENSORY ELEMENTS  | ORIGIN OF NERVOUS CONDUCTORS  |
|---|---|---|---|---------------------|---|-------------------------------|
|   |   |    |    | OL-FACTION          | Placode   | Placode                       |
|   |   |    |    | VISION              | Neural tube   | Neural tube                   |
|   |   |   |   | AUDITION<br>BALANCE | Placode   | Placode                       |
|   |   |  |  | TASTE               | Sensory differentiation of certain cells of surface ectodermal covering of tongue | Neural crest (spinal ganglia) |
| L | M |  |  | PAIN<br>TOUCH       | Free nerve endings (L) :<br>neural crest.<br>Mesenchymal cells (M)                | Neural crest (spinal ganglia) |





1  
 Sensory placodes



2  
 Dorsolateral and epipharyngeal placodes

Classification of placodes

## NEURAL CREST CELLS

## PLACODES

LOCATION  
DERIVATIVES

LOCATION  
DERIVATIVES

Ciliary

Trigeminal

Proximal VII (Root)

Ethmoidal

Sphenopalatine

Proximal IX  
(Superior)

Proximal X  
(Jugular)

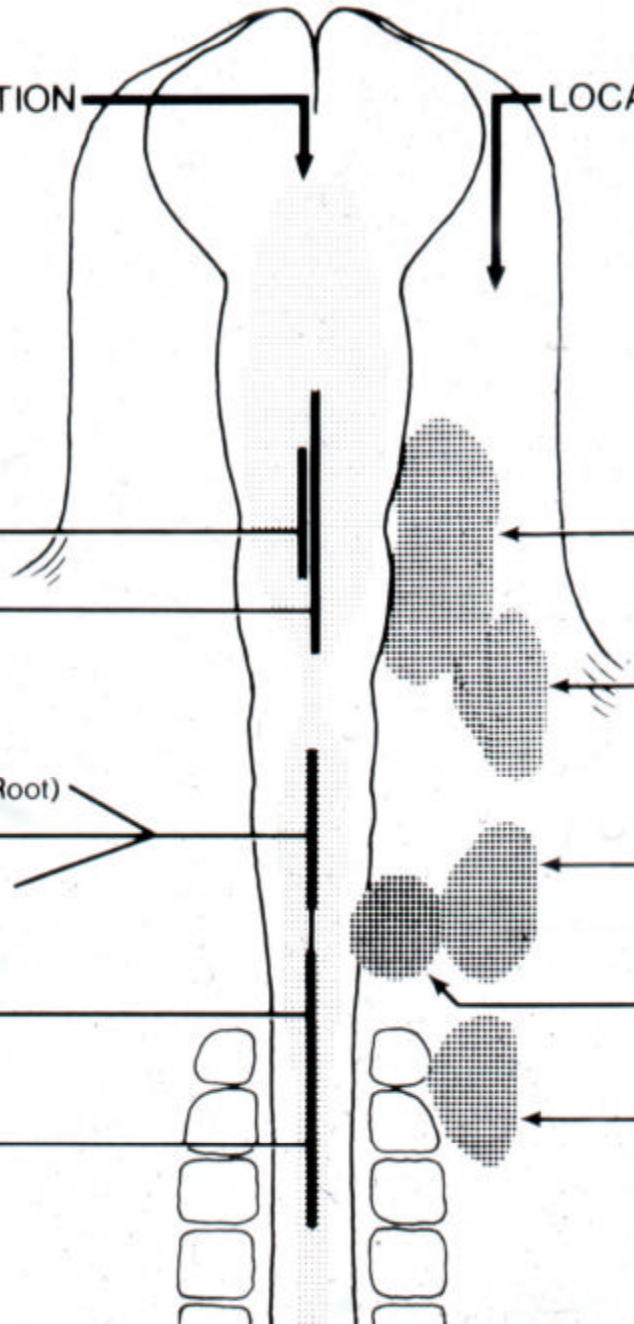
Trigeminal

Distal VII  
(Geniculate)

Distal IX  
(Petrosal)

Vestibulo-acoustic

Distal X  
(Nodose)



# Branchiomic nerves: origins and axon projection patterns

## Origins of Branchial Nerves

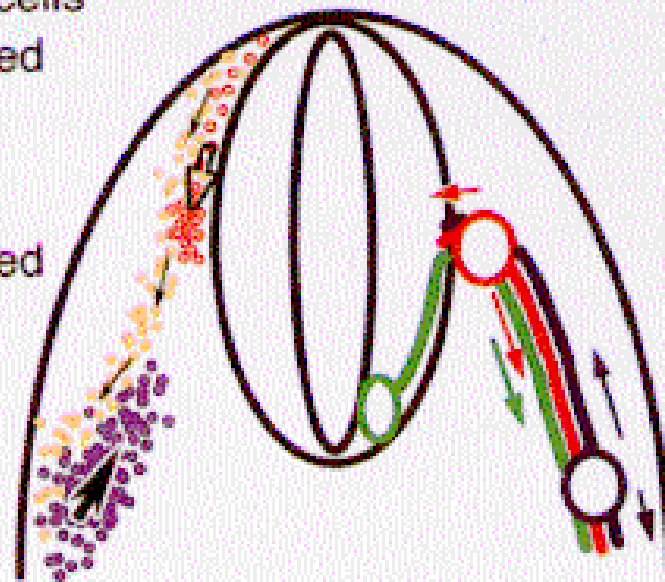
neuronal precursor cells

● neural crest-derived

● placode-derived

glial precursor cells

● neural crest-derived



## Axon Projection Pattern

- sensory neurons in the proximal ganglion
- sensory neurons in the distal ganglion
- motor neurons