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Formation of Bilaminar germ disc



- The inner cell mass (Embryoblast) of the blastocyst proliferates and takes shape of flat circular disc.
- The cells are differentiated into 2 layers:
- 1. Dorsal columnar layer (Ectoderm) called epiblast.
- 2. Ventral cuboidal layer (Endoderm) called hypoblast.



- A small cavity appears within the **epiblast**. This cavity enlarges to become the **amniotic cavity**.
- Epiblast cells adjacent to the cytotrophoblast are called amnioblasts.
- The cells secret amniotic fluid

• Day 9

- Blastocele (cavity of
 blastocyst) is lined by a new
 membrane exocoelomic
 (Heuser's) membrane that is
 formed by flattened cells
 originate from hypoblast.
- The cavity is now called
 exocoelomic cavity or
 primitive yolk sac.
- Trophoblastic lacunae
 appeared in
 syncytiotrophoblast at
 embryonic pole of the disc



• Day 11-12

- The syncytiotrophoblast cells penetrate (phagocytosis) deeper into maternal endometrium and invade its capillaries
- The lacunae become filled with maternal blood
- So, maternal blood begins to flow through lacunar system of trophoblast and this is called uteroplacental circulation.



Formation of Chorionic vesicle



 The cytotrophoblast proliferates and forms another layer of cells called extraembryonic mesoderm (E.E.M) separating the cytotrophoblast (externally) from the primitive yolk sac and amniotic cavity (internally).



• Chorionic cavity (Extraembryonic coelom)

- It is a large cavity (U shaped) developed within extraembryonic mesoderm.
- This cavity divided E. E. M. into 2 layers;
 - a- Outer layer (somatic) lines the trophoblast.
 - b- Inner layer (splanchnic) covering the amniotic cavity and primitive yolk sac.
- The 2 layers connect together at connecting stalk (where embryonic disc is connected to cytotrophoblast)



 Large portions of primitive yolk sac are pinched off. These portions are represented by exocoelomic cysts, which are often found in the extraembryonic coelom



- The exocoelomic cyst is separated from the primitive yolk sac
- The endodermal cells from the hypoblast proliferates and migrates to line the Heuser's membrane forming the secondary yolk sac.
- The 2ry yolk sac is completely lined by endoderm.



- By the end of 2nd week, The blastocyst is called chorionic vesicle having large cavity called chorionic cavity
- The Chorion (wall) is formed by three layers: 1) Syncytiotrophoblast.

2) Cytotrophoblast. 3) Somatic layer of Extraembryonic mesoderm.





- Primitive streak from proliferation of epiblastic cells (ectoderm) in the midline of the caudal half, Its cranial end enlarges to form primitive node or Hansen's node.
- A circular thickening appears in the hypoblast in the midline near cranial end to form prechordal plate (buccopharyngeal membrane)
- A circular thickening appears in hypoblast in the midline caudal to primitive streak to form cloacal membrane
- Now, the embryo has
 - Cranial and caudal ends
 - Dorsal and ventral surfaces
 - Right and left sides.









- **Primitive pit** in the primitive node
- The cells of the primitive pit proliferate and migrate cranially in the midline between epiblast (ectoderm) and hypoblast (endoderm) forming primitive notochord.
- The notochord stops at prechordal plate (buccopharyngeal membrane).



 An invagination extends from the amniotic cavity into the primitive pit then extends into primitive notochord forming the notochordal canal.
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- Degeneration of the floor of the notochordal canal and roof of the yolk sac leading to formation of neuroenteric canal.
- As the result, a **temporarily communication** of the amniotic cavity (dorsal) and the yolk sac (ventral)
- The canal maintains and adjusts the pressure between amniotic cavity and yolk sac





 The cells of the roof of the notochordal canal proliferate and close the canal forming the definitive notochord.

Functions of notochord

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- 1. It forms axis skeleton of the embryo before development of the vertebral column.
- 2. It secrets signals to stimulate development of somites from mesoderm.
- 3.It secrets signals to stimulate development of neural tube from ectoderm.

Fate of notochord

- **Degeneration and disappears** inside bodies of the vertebrae
- The part between the bodies of vertebrae forms the nucleus pulposus of the intervertebral discs
- Cellular remnants of notochord give rise to tumors called Chordoma In the axial skeleton



