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# Development of Urinary bladder

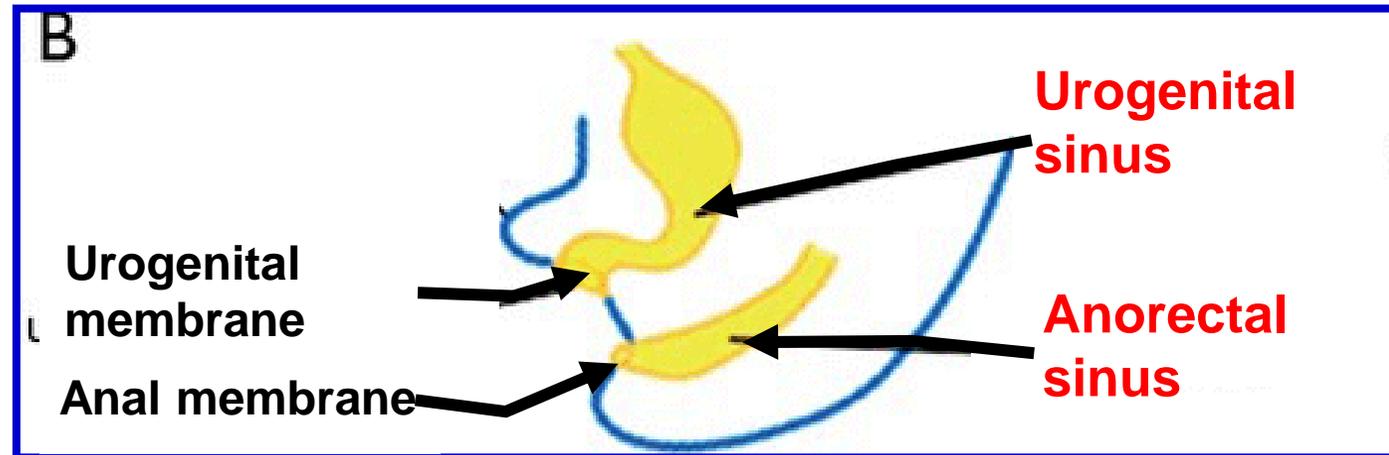
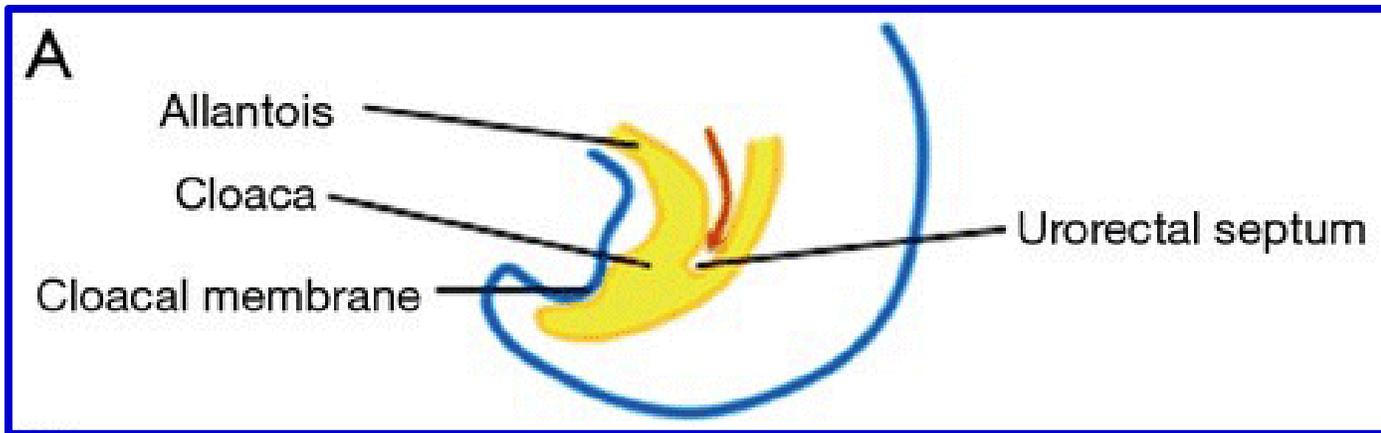
## ❖ Derivatives of cloaca

- The cloaca is the caudal dilated part of the **hindgut**, which is closed by the cloacal membrane and connected to umbilicus by **allantois (urachus)**.

- **Urorectal septum** divides the cloaca into **2 parts**:

1- Ventral part called **urogenital sinus**, closed by urogenital membrane.

2- Dorsal part called **anorectal sinus**, closed by anal membrane.



- **\*\* Derivatives of the urogenital sinus:**

- It receives openings of allantois and 2 mesonephric ducts.

- The site of opening of mesonephric ducts into **urogenital sinus** dividing it into:

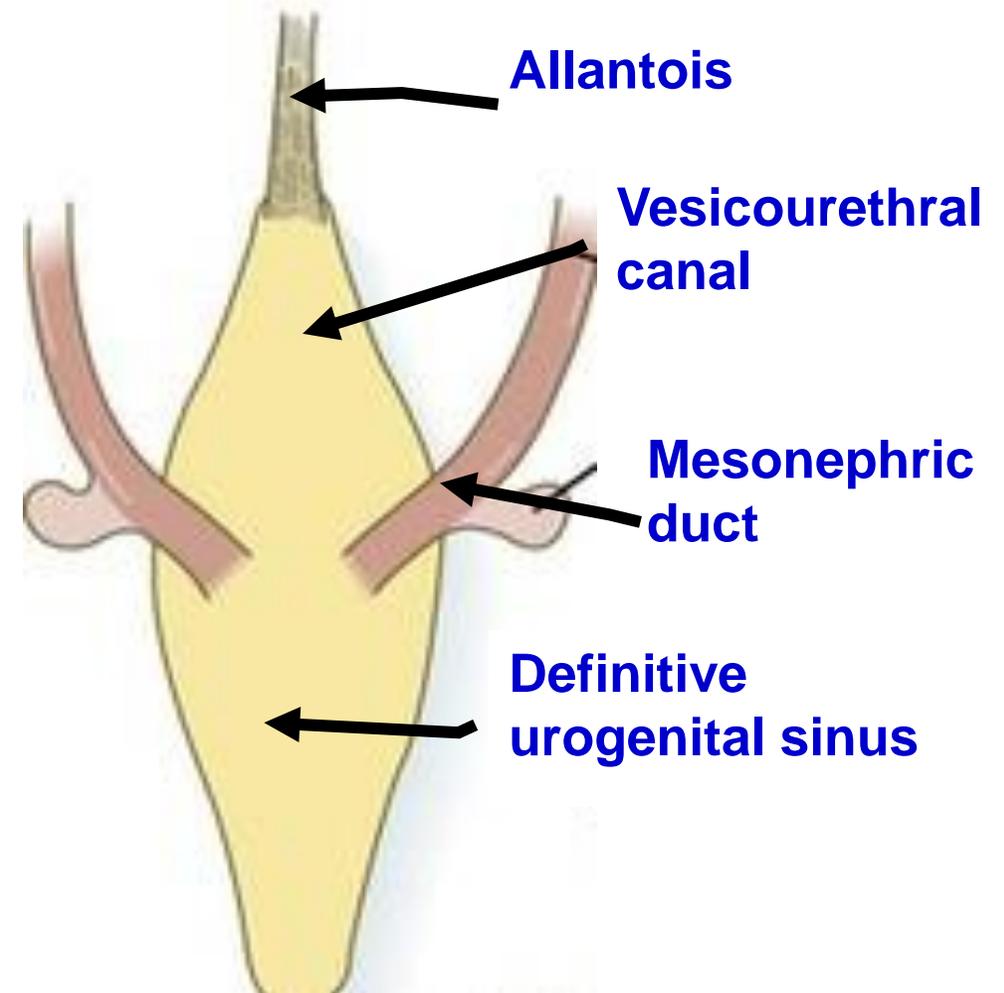
- 1- Cranial part called vesicourethral canal**

which forms mucous membrane of:

- a) Urinary bladder.**

- b) Prostatic part of urethra** above the utricle (in male) or Upper 4/5 of the **urethra** (in female).

- 2- Caudal part called definitive urogenital sinus.**



- **Development of the Urinary Bladder**

- \*\* Development of the mucous membrane**

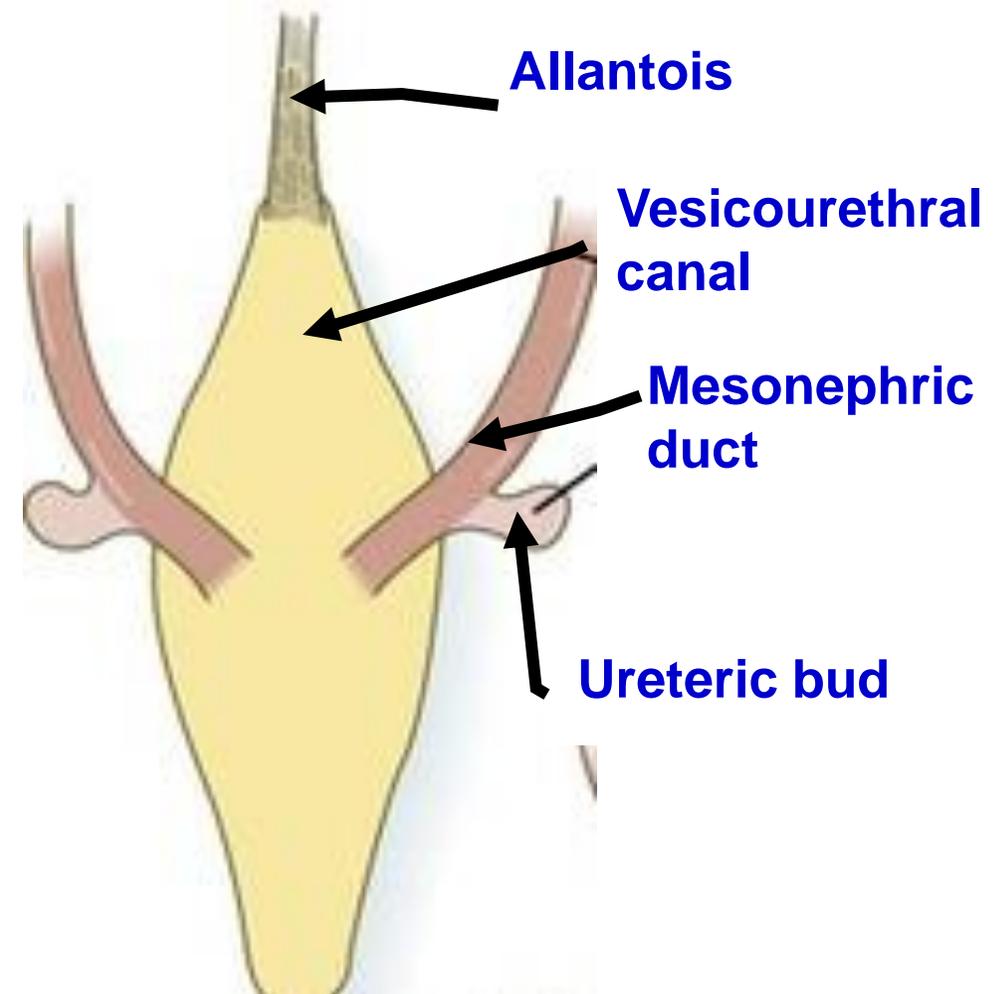
**1- Proximal part of allantois** (urachus), forms the apex of the urinary bladder (endodermal in origin).

**2- Vesicourethral canal**, forms most of the urinary bladder (endodermal in origin).

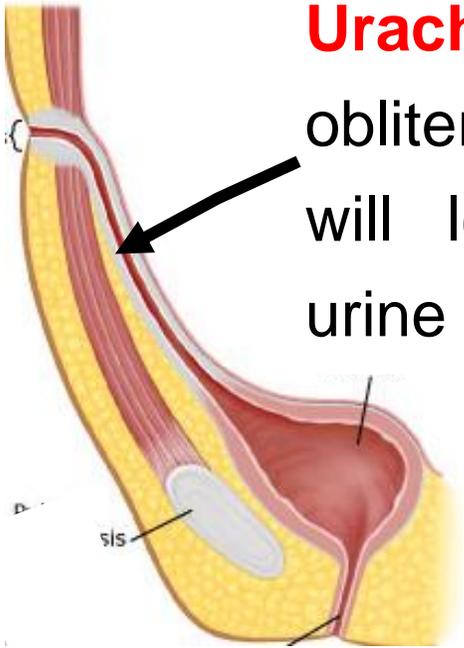
**3- Proximal parts of mesonephric ducts** till the opening of ureteric buds form **trigone** (mesodermal in origin).

- \*\* Development of muscles** (from the mesoderm surrounding the vesicourethral canal).

- Distal part of allantois (urachus) obliterated, fibrosed and formed **median umbilical ligament.**

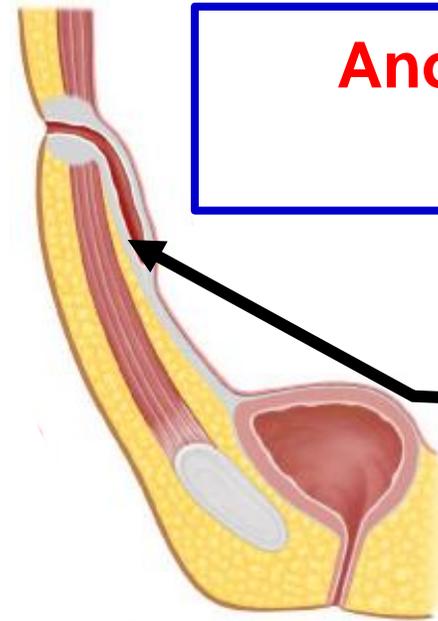


**Urachal fistula:** failure of obliteration of **urachus**. This will lead to discharge of urine from umbilicus.

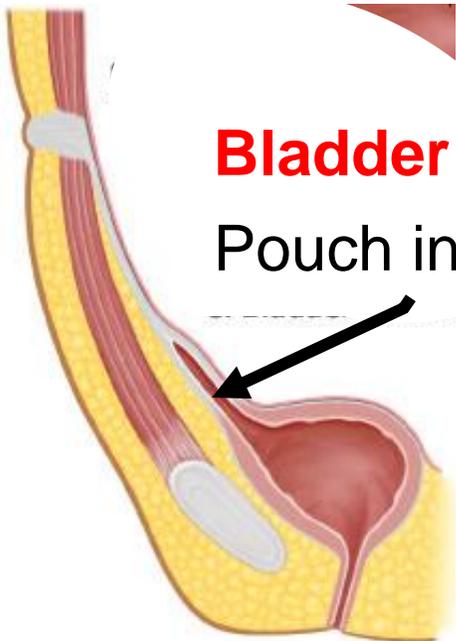


**Anomalies of urachus (allantois):**

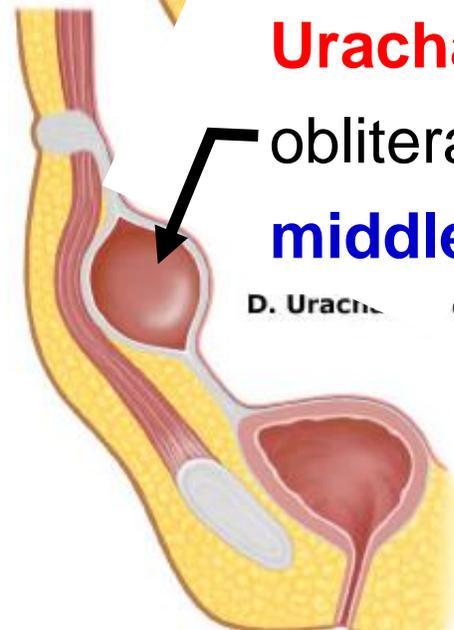
**Urachal sinus:** failure of obliteration of **distal** part of urachus.



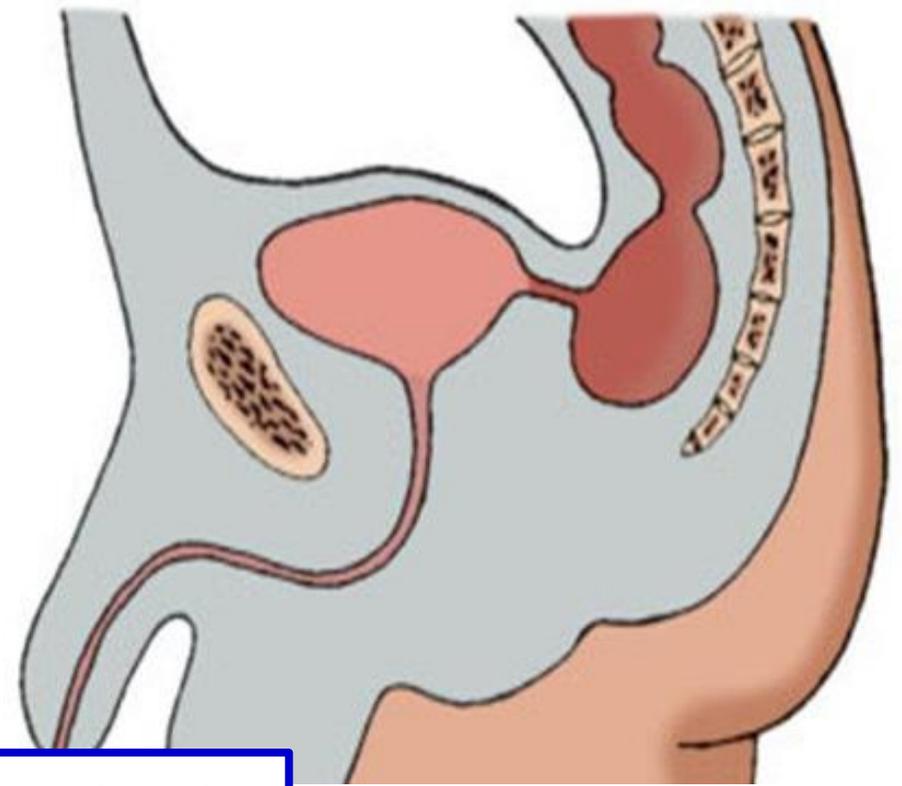
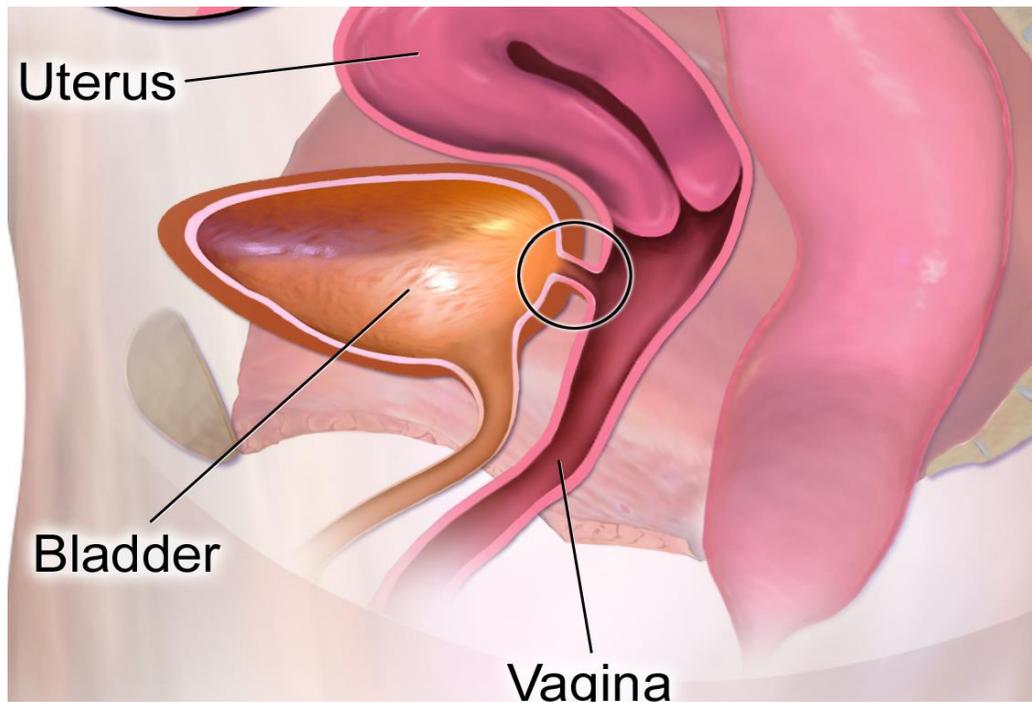
**Bladder diverticulum:**  
Pouch in the apex



**Urachal cyst:** failure of obliteration of the **middle** part of urachus.



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**Fistulae of the urinary bladder:** due to defect in the urorectal septum.

(a) **Vesicovaginal fistula:** communication between urinary bladder and vagina (**female**).

(b) **Rectovesical fistula:** communication between urinary bladder and rectum (**male**).

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- **Ectopia vesica:**

- The inner aspect of the urinary bladder is exposed below the umbilicus.
- This occurs due to failure of the formation of the anterior abdominal wall and anterior wall of the urinary bladder.

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# Development of urethra

## **\*\* Development of the female urethra**

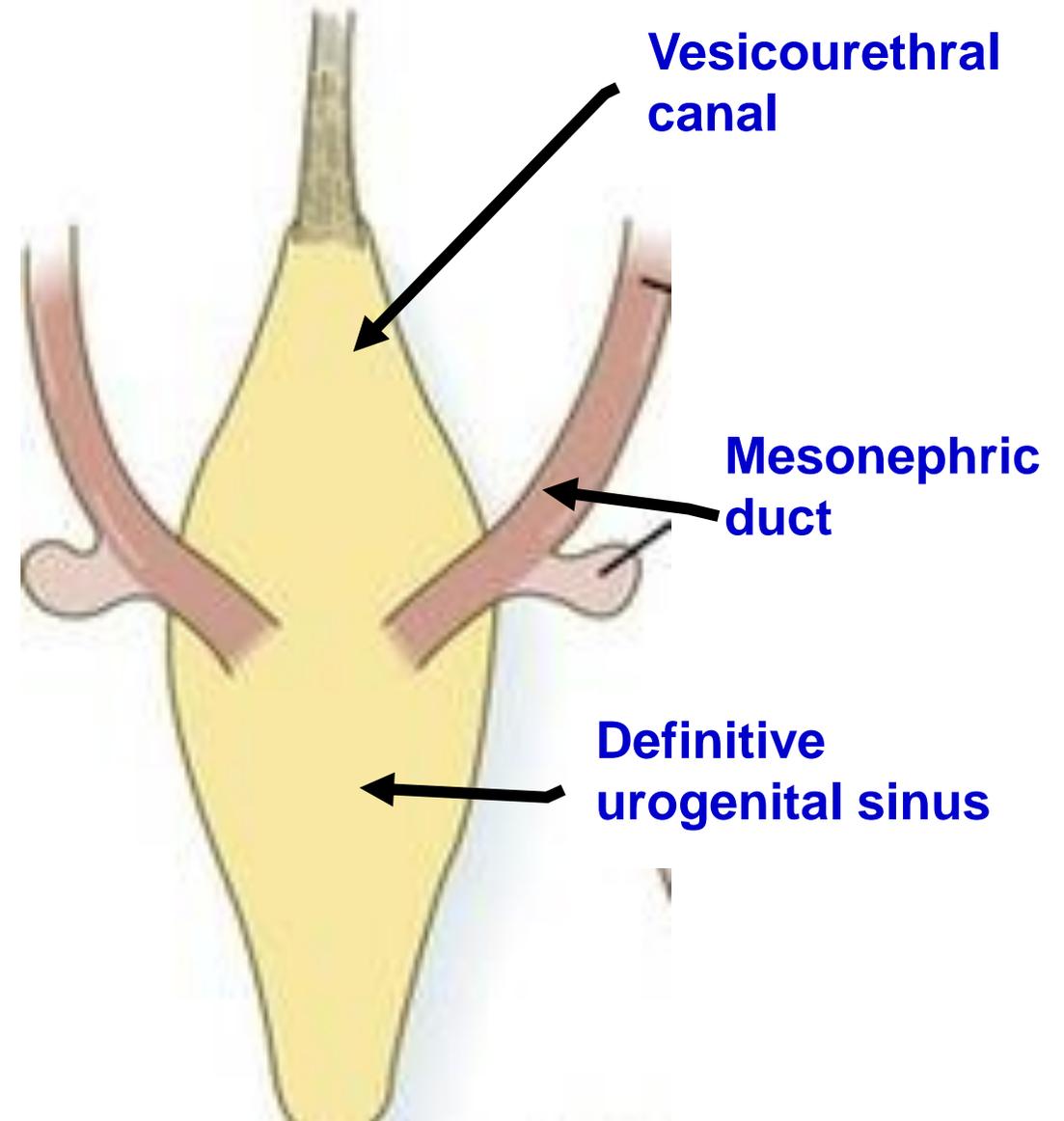
- The site of opening of mesonephric ducts into **urogenital sinus** dividing it into:

### **1- Cranial part called vesicourethral canal**

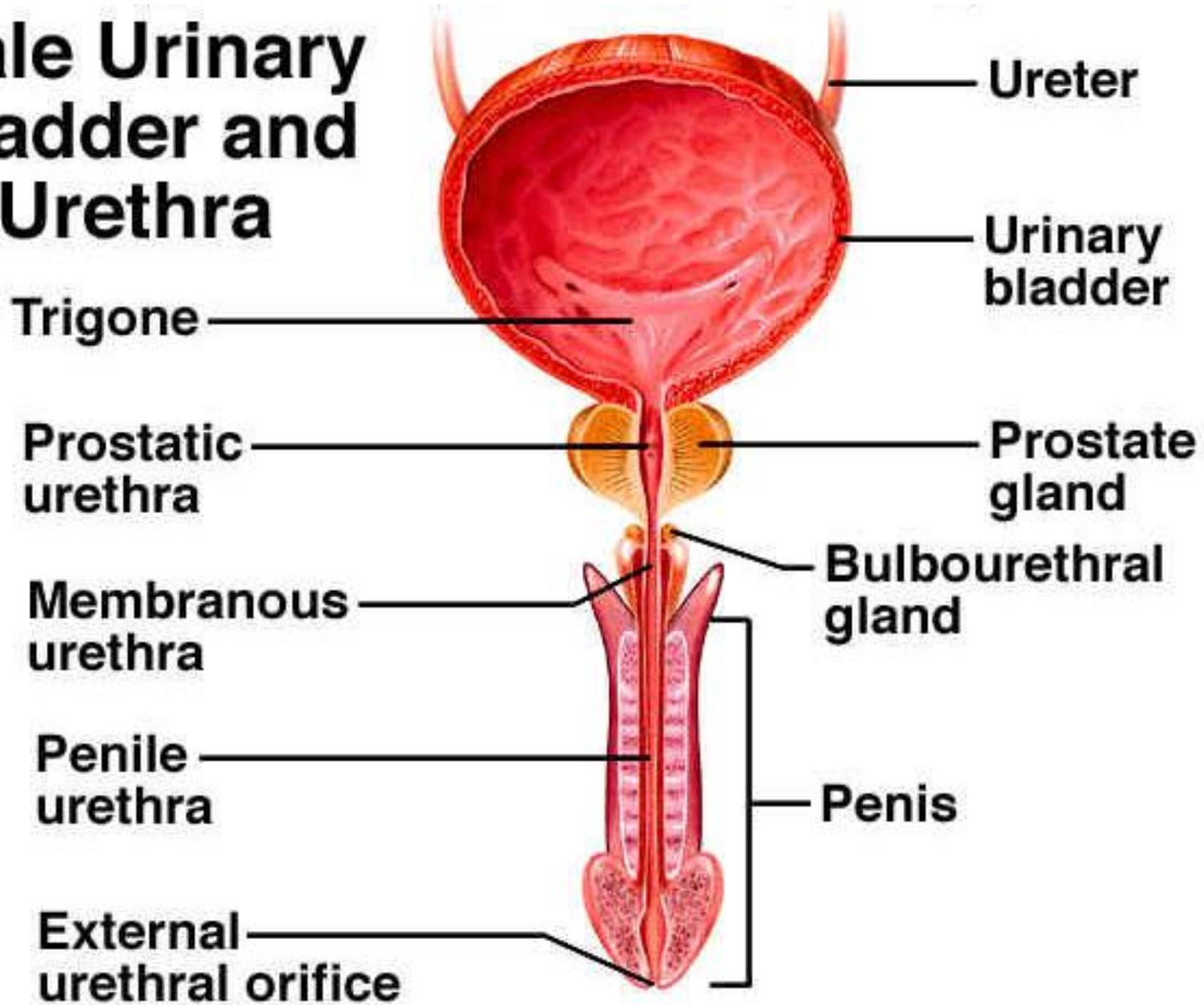
which forms mucous membrane of Upper 4/5 of the urethra.

### **2- Caudal part called definitive urogenital sinus**

- The urethral sphincters are developed from the surrounding mesoderm.



# Male Urinary Bladder and Urethra



## **\*\* Development of male urethra**

**A- Vesicourethral canal forms** Prostatic part of the urethra above the utricle .

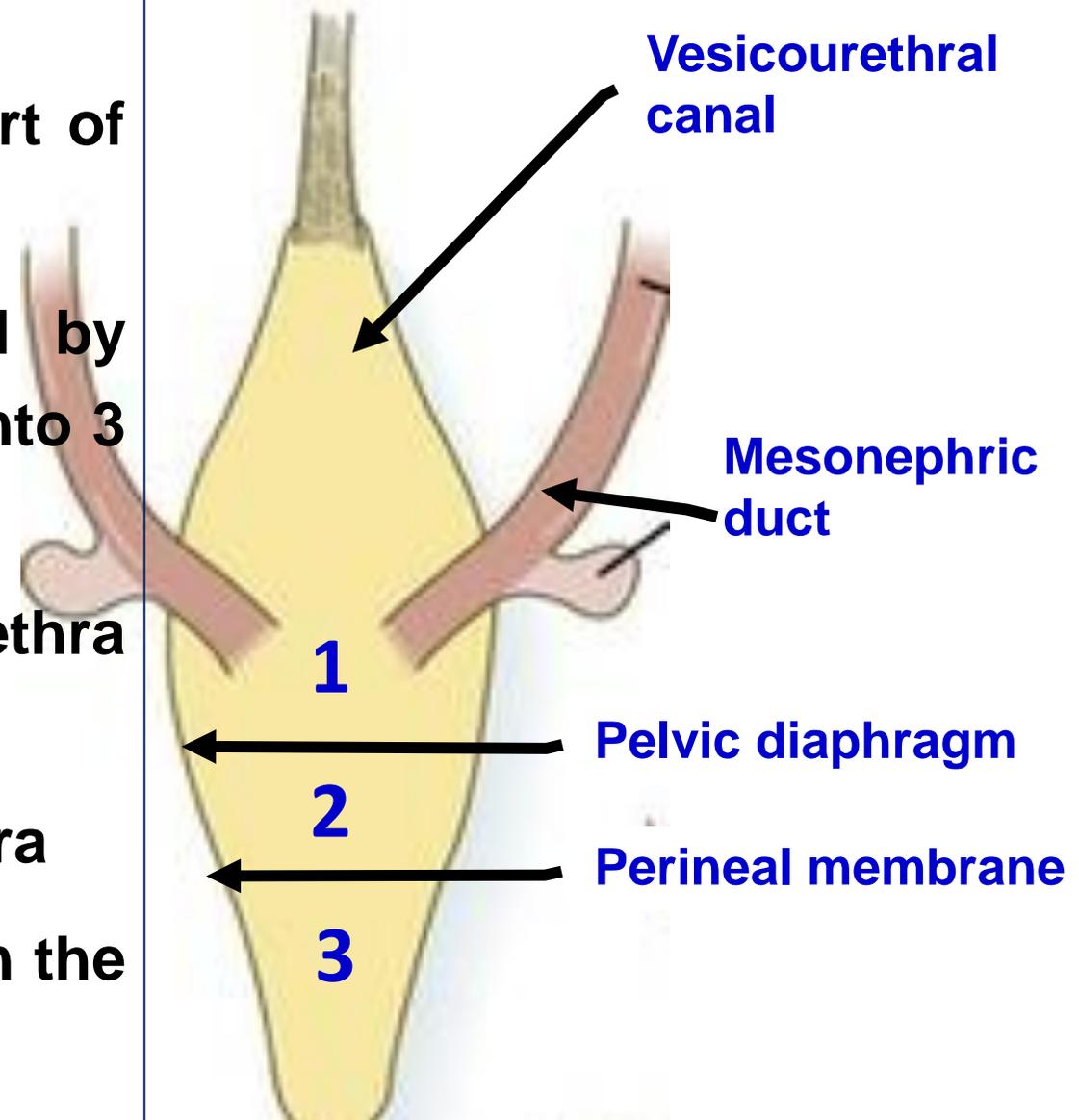
**A- Definitive urogenital sinus** is divided by **pelvic diaphragm** and **perineal membrane** into 3 parts:

**1- Cranial part** form **Prostatic** part of the urethra **below** the utricle

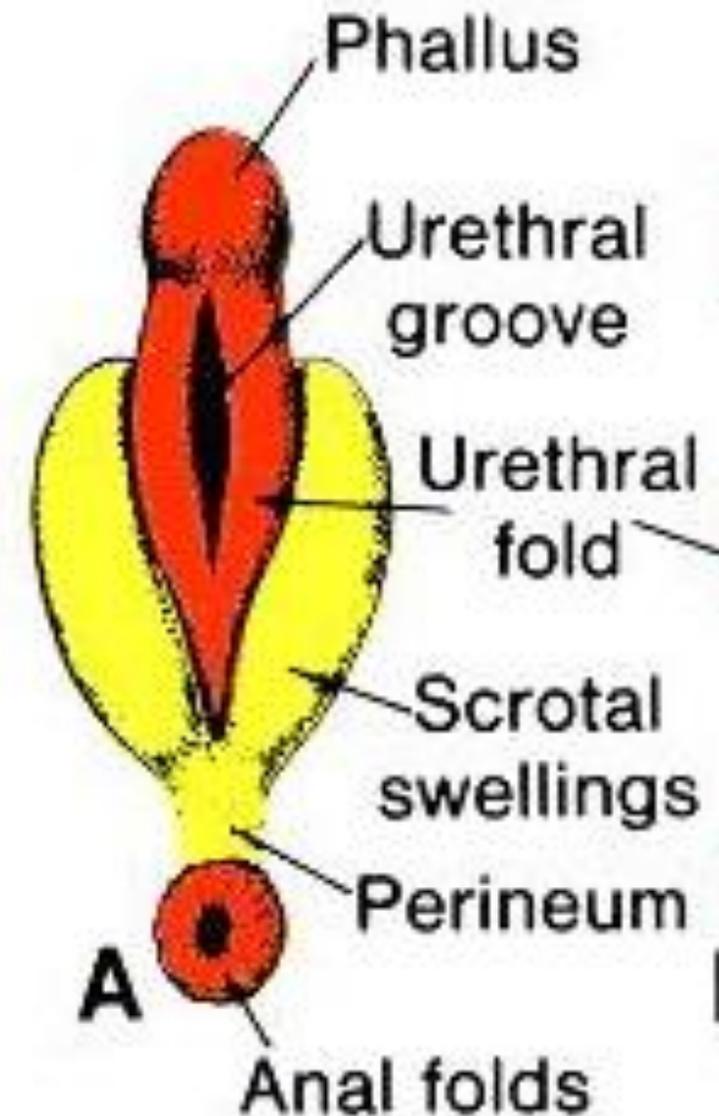
**2- Middle part** forms the **membranous** urethra

**3- Caudal part** forms forms **penile urethra** in the root of the penis

- The urethral sphincters are developed from the surrounding mesoderm.



- **Steps of development of penile (spongy) urethra**
- 2 folds develop on each side of the urogenital membrane
  - a. Inner fold called urethral fold.**
  - b. Outer fold called genital fold (scrotal).**
- The 2 genital fold meet each other **cranial** to the urogenital membrane to form **genital tubercle (phallus)** that forms **body of the penis**.
  - The 2 urethral folds fuse with each other to form **urethral tube --- solidified --- urethral plate --- canalized --- urethral groove** -- edges of the urethral groove fuse with each other --- **penile urethra in body of the penis**.
- Mesoderm around the urethra forms erectile tissues and blood vessels of the penis.



## • Hypospadias

- External meatus is found on the lower surface of the penis.
- It is caused by failure in fusion of the urethral groove.

**A- Complete:** groove extends from the head of the penis till the scrotum (resembles labia majora).

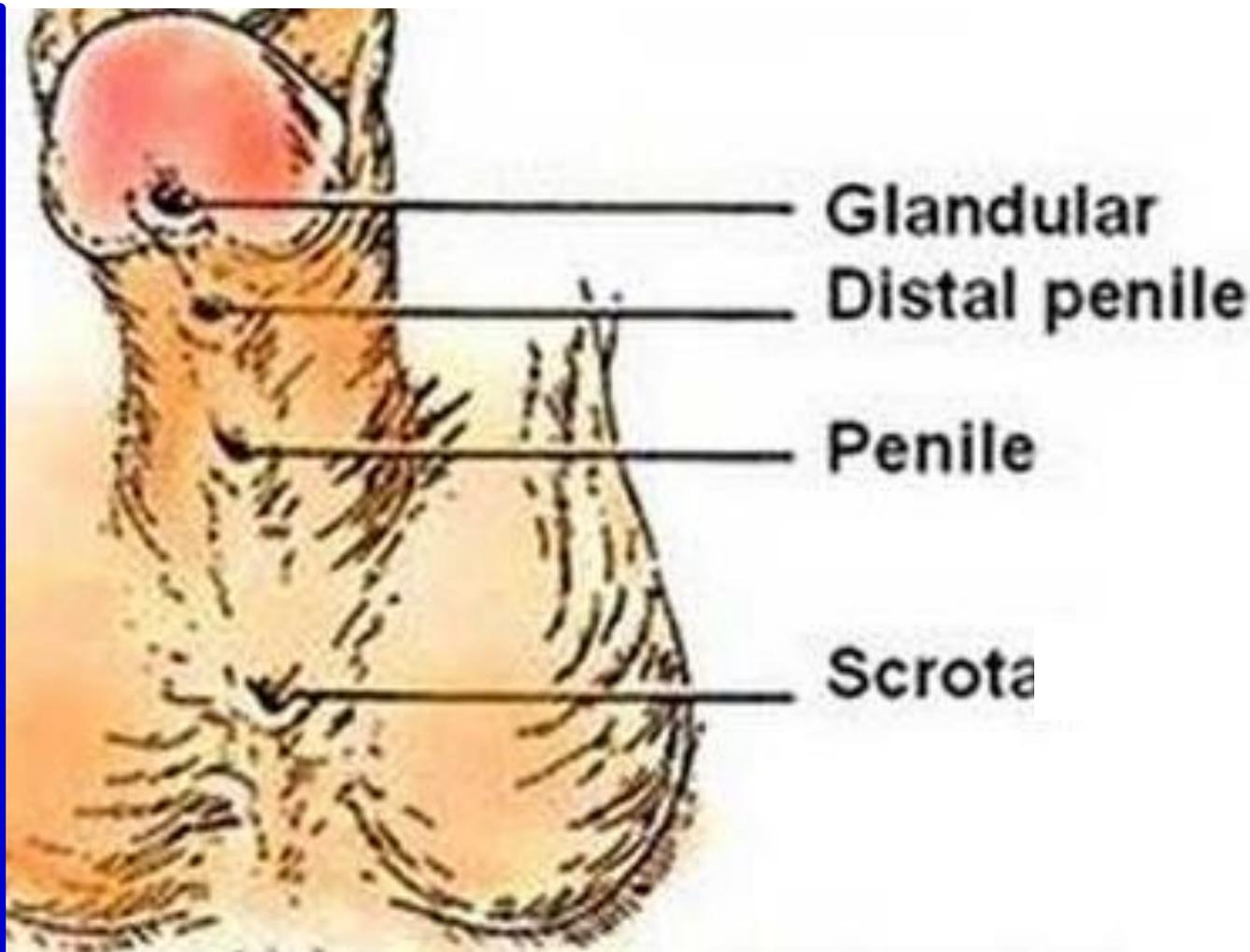
### **B- Incomplete:**

**a- Scrotal:** at the root of the penis.

**b- Penile:** at any site along the inferior surface of the penis

**c- Distal** at the terminal of body

**d- Glandular:** at glans penis (The best one for man, can not be repair).



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- **Epispadias**

- The opening of urethra lies on the upper surface of the penis.

- It is either occurred alone or with ectopia vesica.

- **Glandular:** at glans penis.

- **Penile:** at any site along the superior surface of the penis

- **Penopubic:** at the base of the penis.

- **Urethral fistula**

- **(defect in urorectal septum)**

- **Recto-urethral fistula:** communication between rectum and urethra.

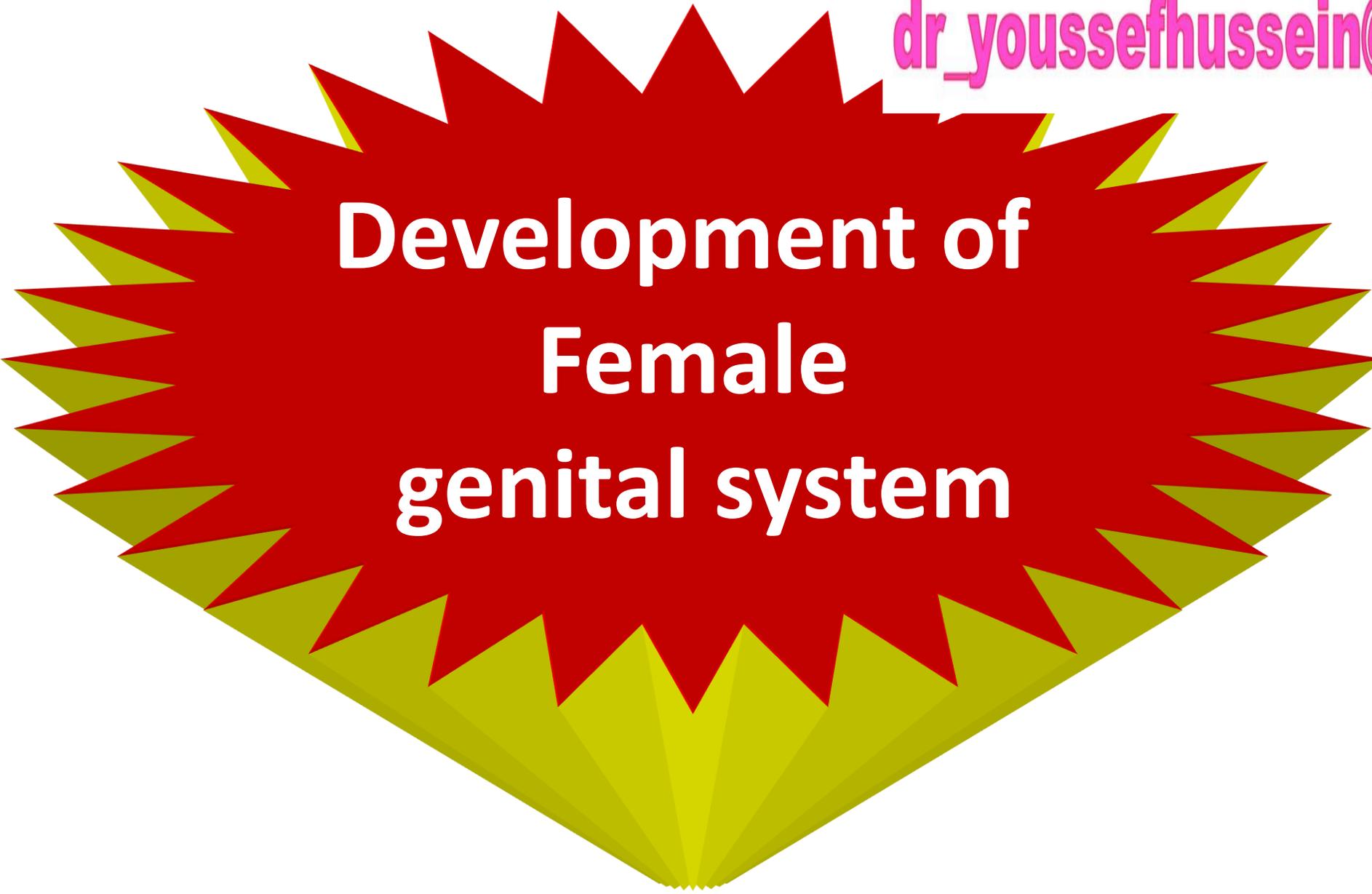
- **Urethrovaginal fistula:** communication between vagina and urethra.

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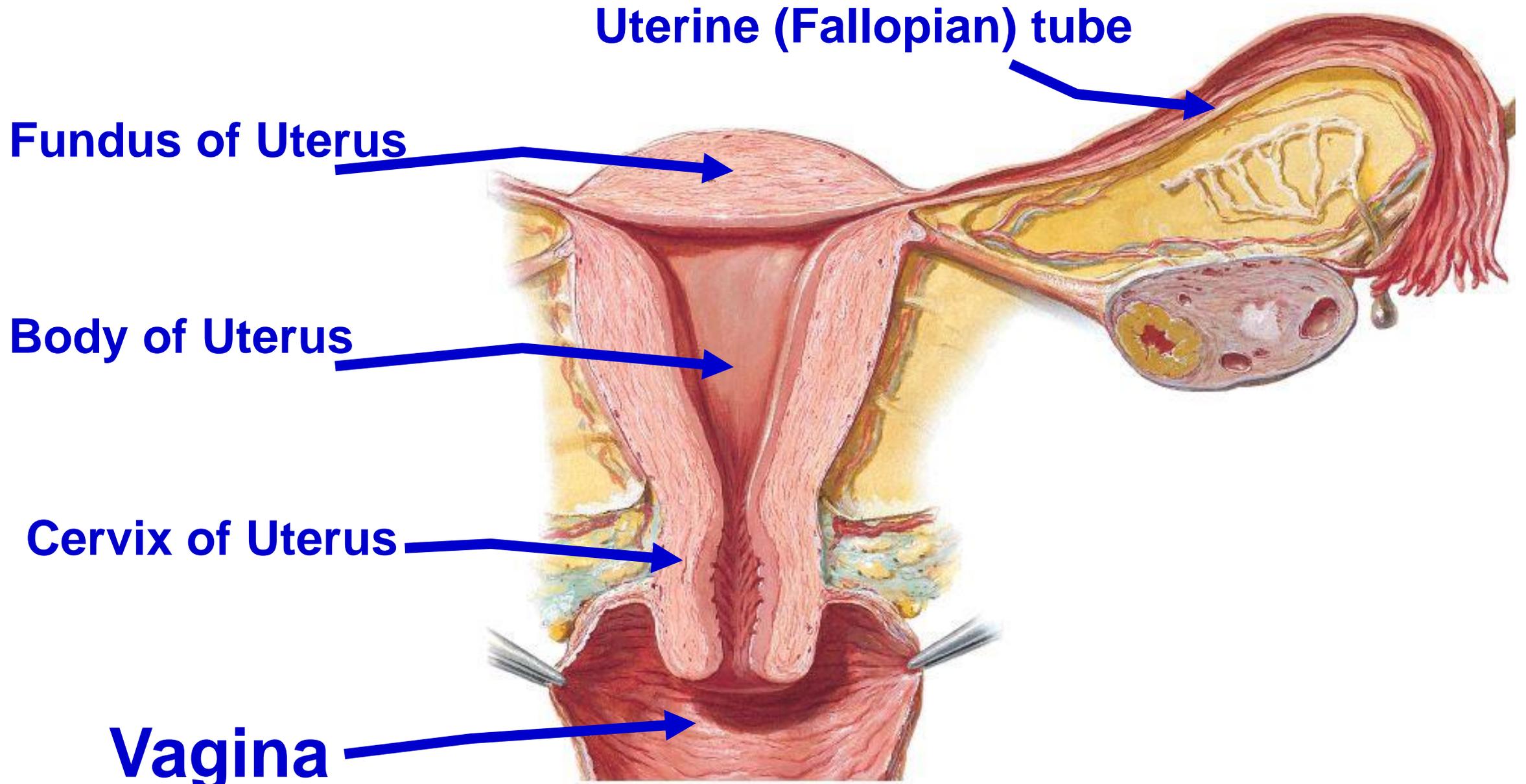


**Epispadias**

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**Development of  
Female  
genital system**



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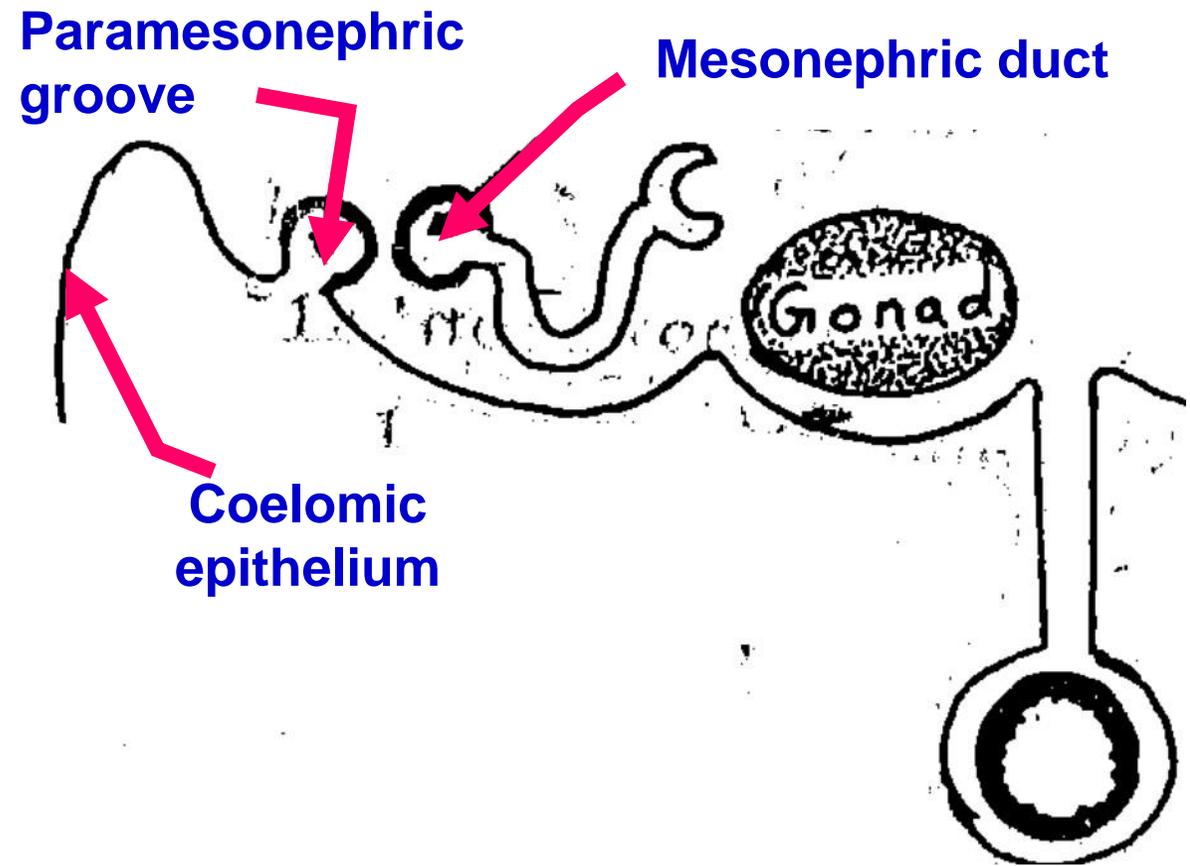
- **Development of paramesonephric**
  - **(Mullerian duct)**

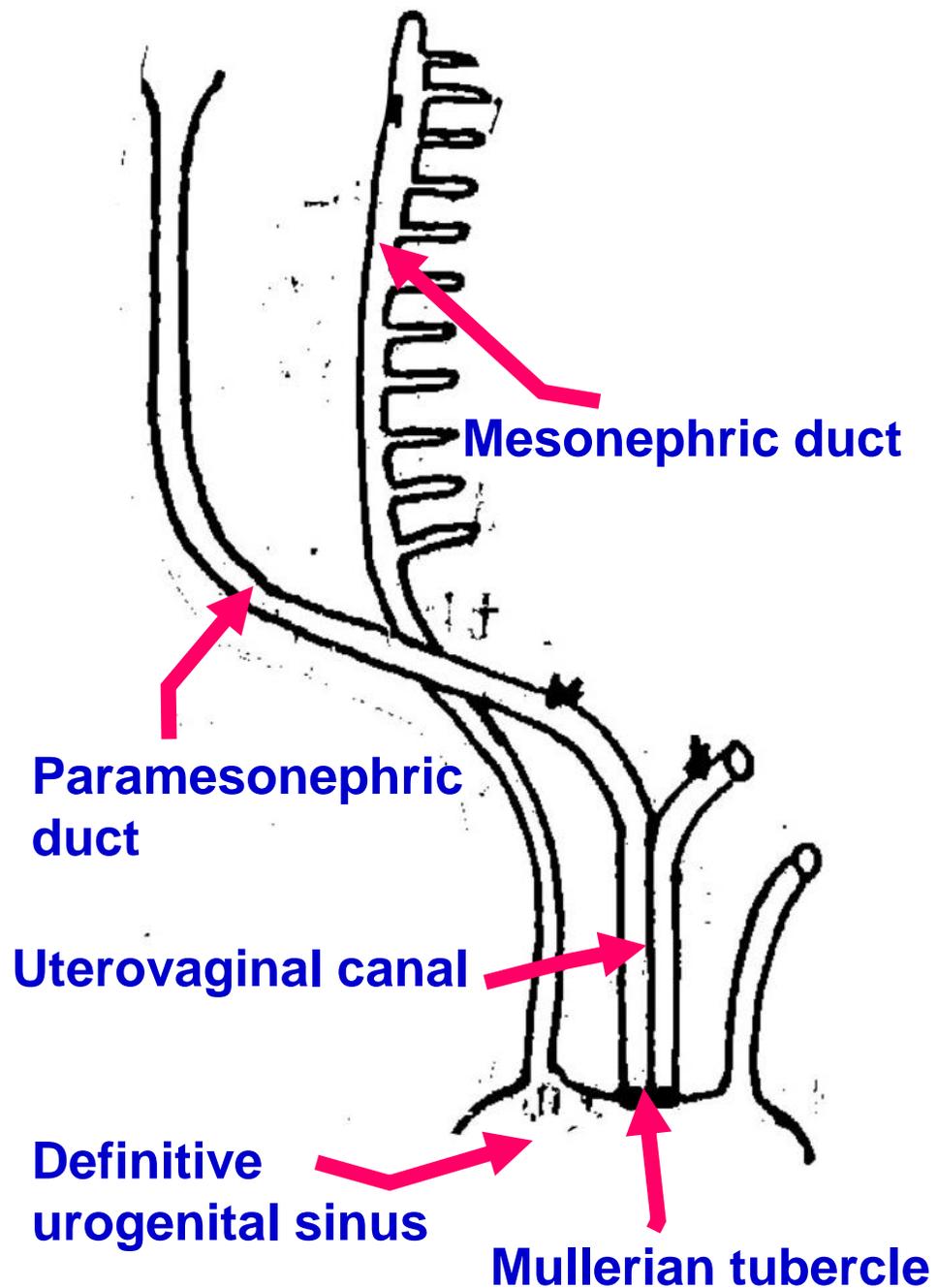
- **Indifferentiation Stage:**

**(in male and female embryos)**

\* **Paramesonephric groove** developed from **coelomic epithelium** covering **intermediate mesoderm**, lateral to **mesonephric duct** (**Wolffian duct**).

\* This groove transformed into **paramesonephric duct** (**Mullerian duct**).





- \* **The cranial end** of each paramesonephric duct opens into the peritoneal (coelomic) cavity.
- \* **Caudal end** remains blind.
- \* **After lateral folding** of the embryo the duct crosses ventral to mesonephric duct **till reaching the back** of the definitive urogenital sinus.
- \*\* **Paramesonephric duct is now formed of 3 parts:**
  - 1- Cranial vertical part:** lateral to mesonephric duct.
  - 2- Intermediate transverse part:** ventral to duct.
  - 3- Caudal vertical part:** medial to duct.
  - The caudal parts of 2 ducts **unite with each other** forming the **uterovaginal canal, separated by septum**.
  - The tip of the caudal end of the uterovaginal canal project into the posterior wall of the definitive urogenital sinus producing an elevation called **Mullerian tubercle**.

**1- Development of uterine (Fallopian) tubes from** cranial vertical part.

**2- Development of the uterus** from horizontal part of 2 paramesonephric ducts and cranial part of the uterovaginal canal **after degeneration of the septum.**

**3- Development of the vagina:**

- \* Upper 4/5 from the caudal part of uterovaginal canal (mesodermal).
- \* The lower 1/5 from the definitive urogenital sinus (endodermal).

**N.B; The muscles** formed from the mesoderm of the genital ridge.

- **Development of the hymen**

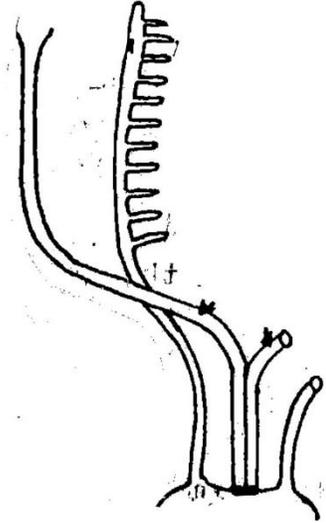
- It is a thin membrane separate definitive urogenital sinus from uterovaginal canal
- **Hymen about 1.5 cm from the opening of vagina.**
- The central part of the hymen degenerate forming an opening.

- **Variations of the hymen;**

**1-** Thin membrane with central opening.

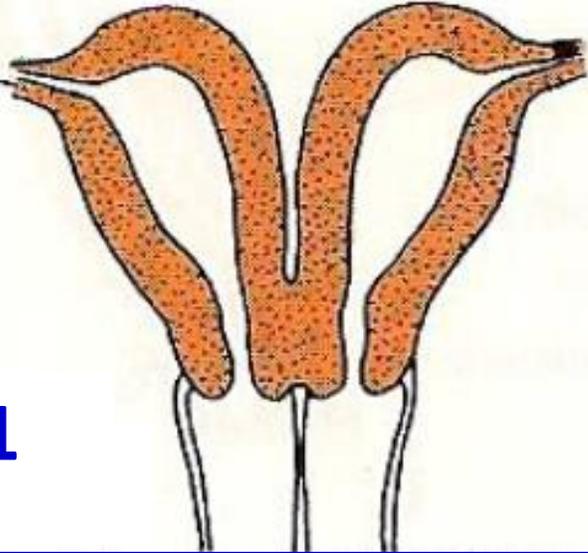
**2-** Ring.

**3-** Semilunar. **4-** Cribriform. **5-** Completely absent. **6-** Imperforate.



Uterine  
tube

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## Congenital anomalies of the uterus

### ❖ 1- Uterus didelphys:

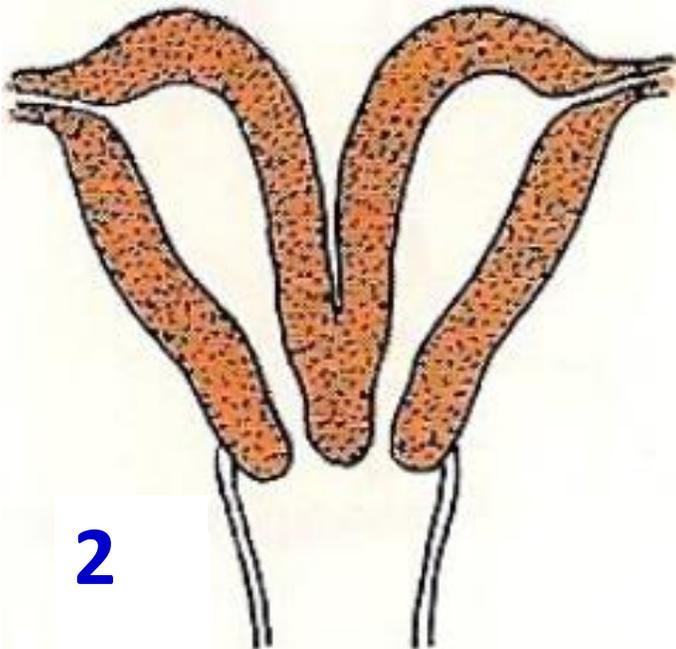
- Uterus with 2 bodies, 2 cervixes and double vagina.
- It occurs due to complete failure of degeneration of the uterovaginal septum.

### ❖ 2- Uterus bicornis bicollis

(cornis= horn=cavity) (collis=cervix):

- Uterus with 2 bodies, 2 cervixes and one vagina.
- It occurs due to incomplete degeneration of the uterovaginal septum.

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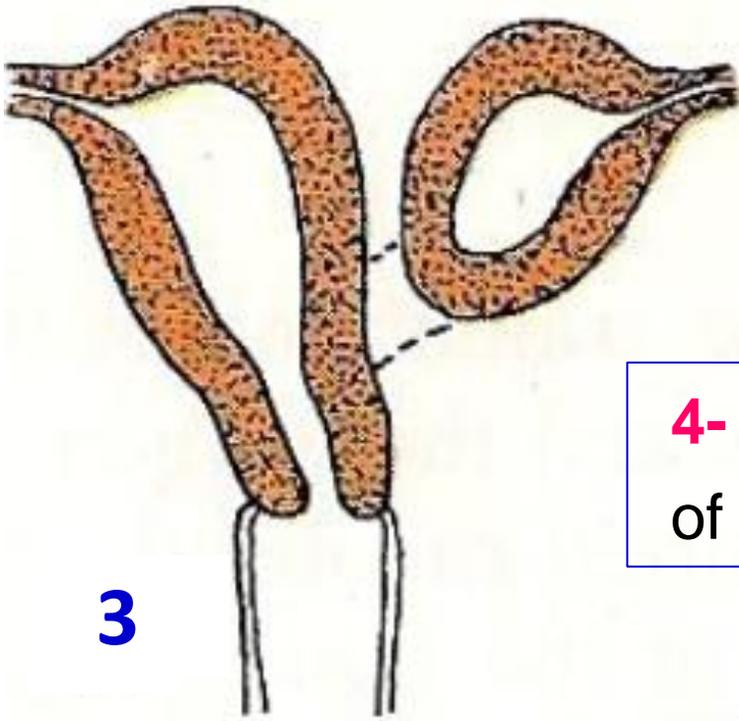
## Congenital anomalies of the uterus

### 3- Uterus bicornis unicollis

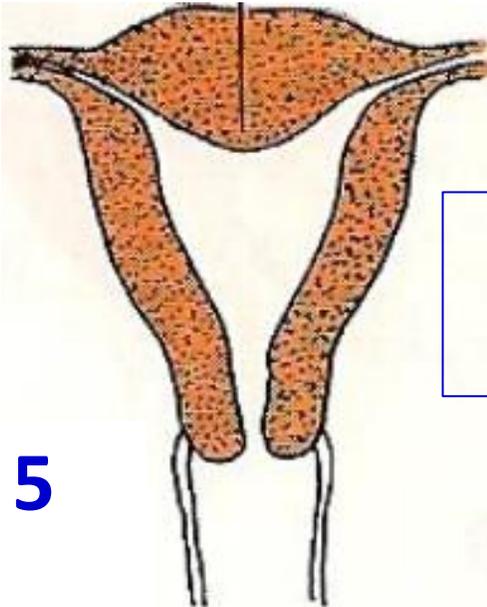
- Uterus with 2 bodies and one cervix.

4- Uterus unicornis with rudimentary horn, failure of development of one para-mesonephric duct.

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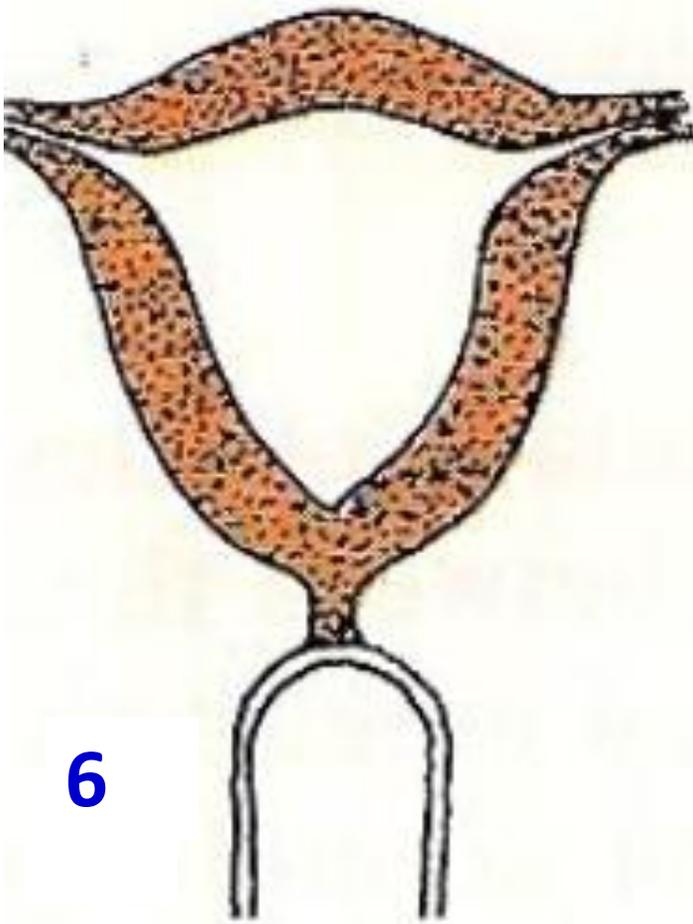


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5- Uterus arcuatus: uterus with a depressed fundus.

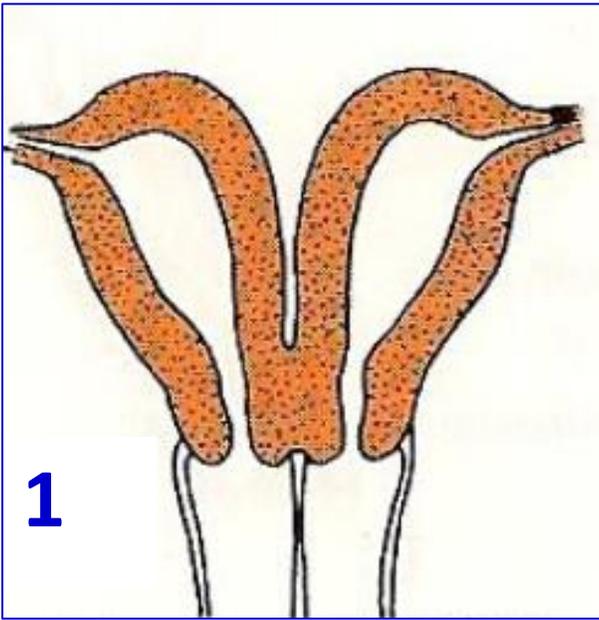
## Congenital anomalies of the uterus



6- Cervical atresia

7- Infantile uterus, small uterus.

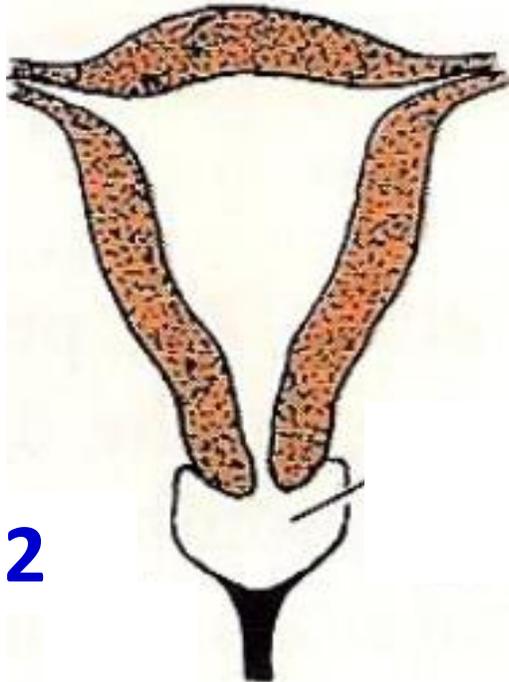
## Congenital anomalies of the vagina



### ❖ 1- Double vagina:

- It occurs due to complete failure of degeneration of the uterovaginal septum.

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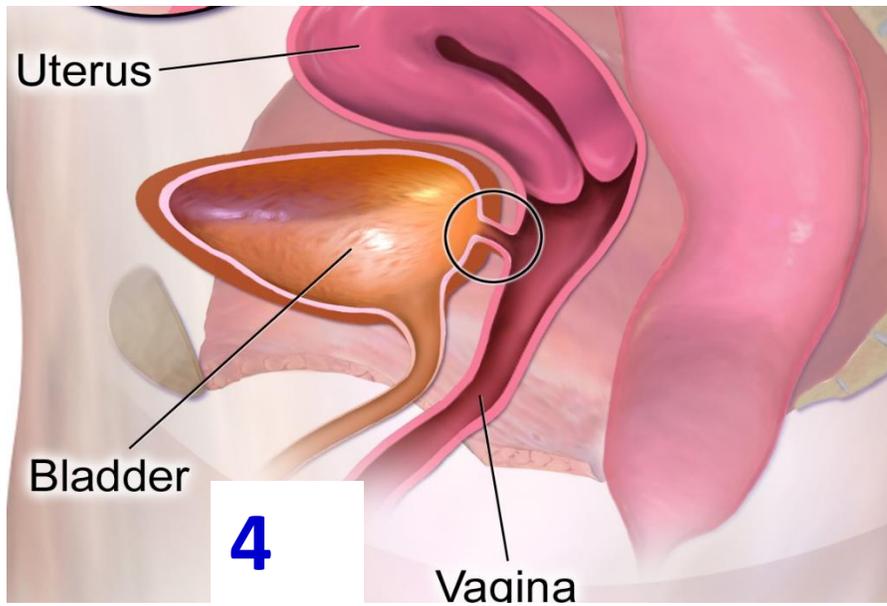


**2- Atresia of the vagina:** failure of canalization.

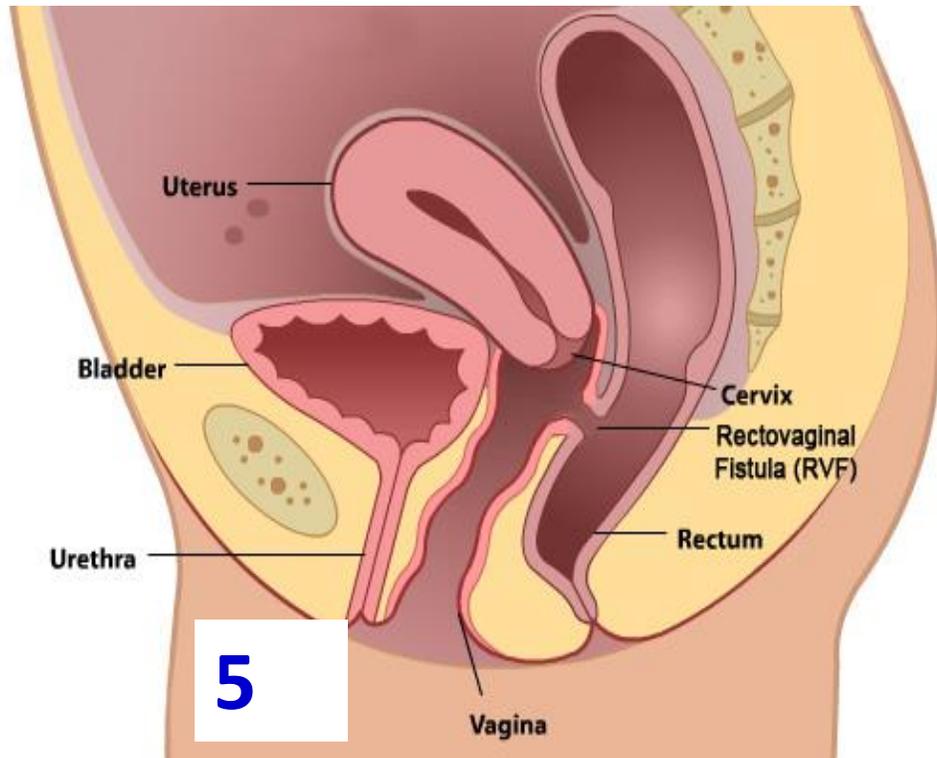
**3- Imperforate hymen:** occurs due to failure of breakdown of the hymen. It leads to collection of the blood in the vagina and uterus after puberty.

## Congenital anomalies of the vagina

**4- Vesicovaginal fistula:** connection between vagina and urinary bladder.



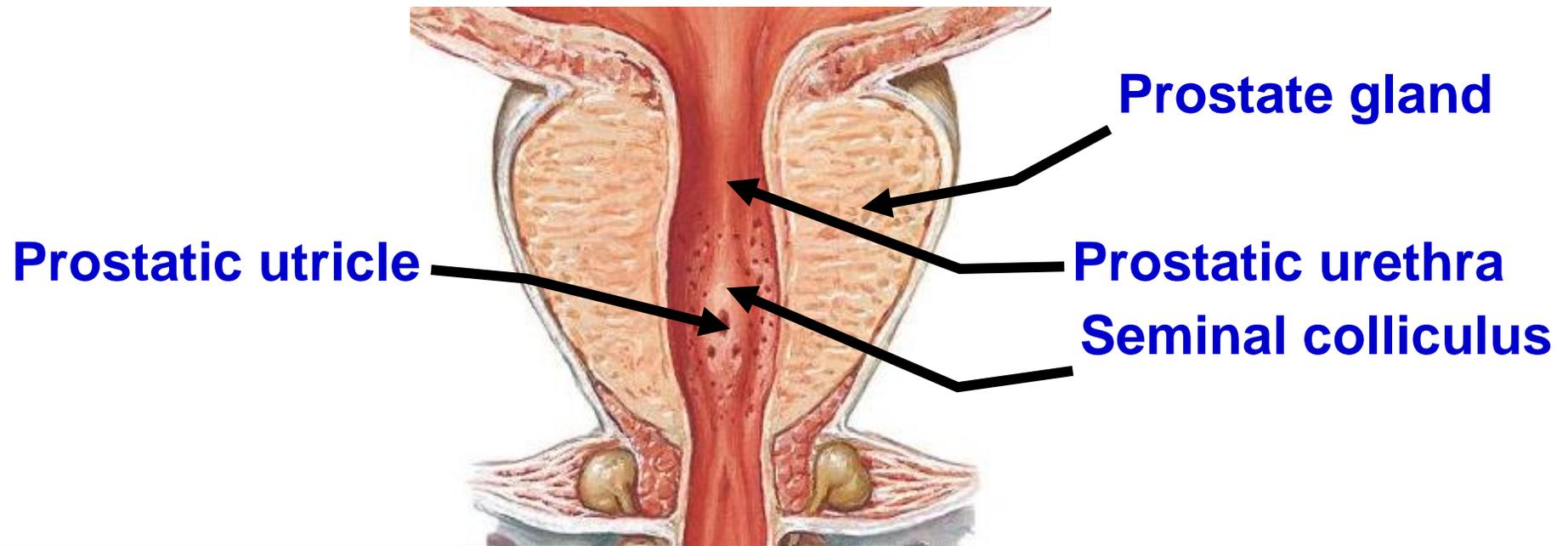
**5- Rectovaginal fistula:** connection between vagina and rectum.



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# Paramesonephric duct in Male



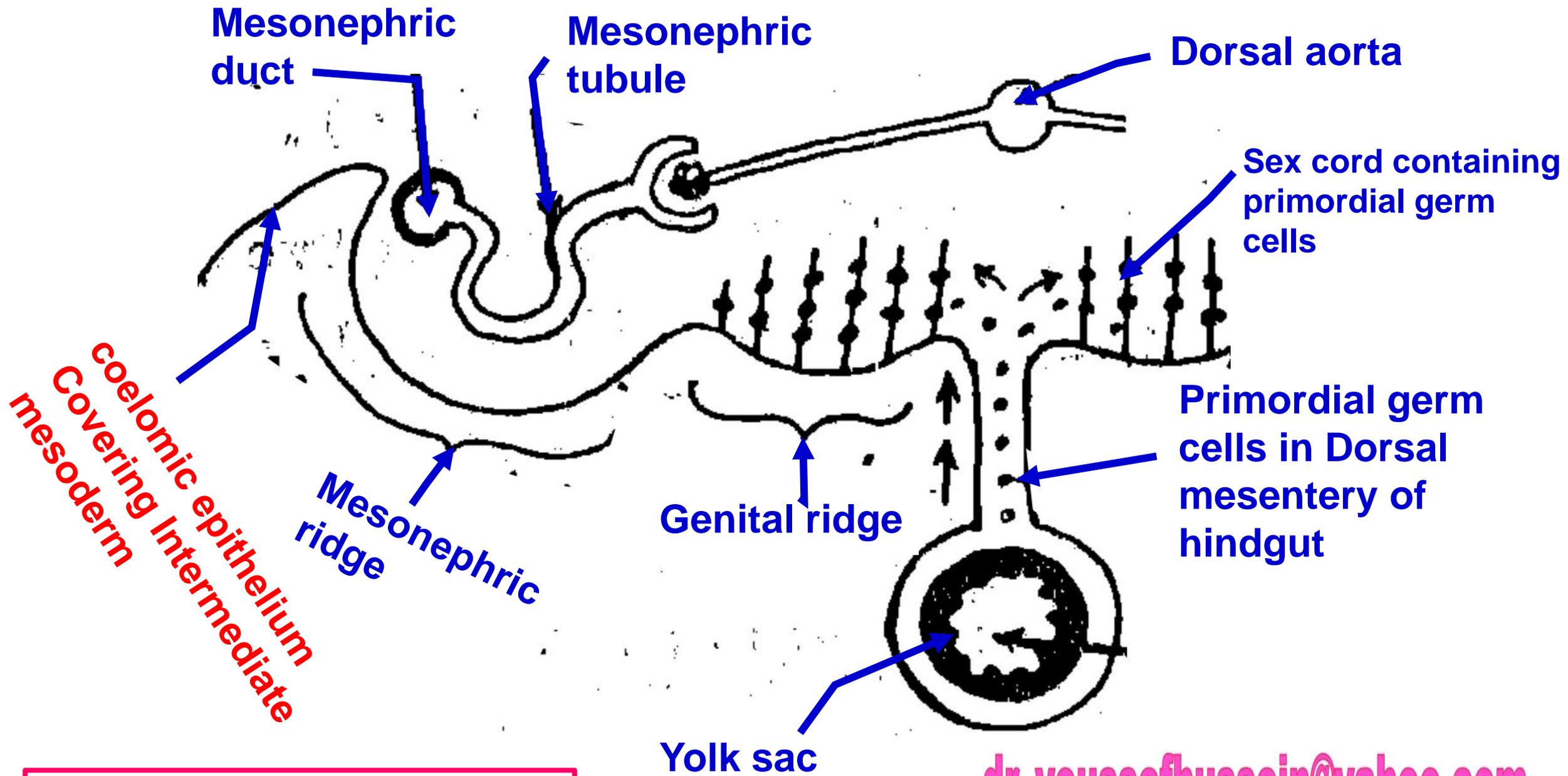
### **A- In male:**

- The paramesonephric duct disappears leaving remnants
  - a. The cranial part forms the **appendix of the testis**.
  - b. The uterovaginal canal forms the **prostatic utricle**.
  - c. The Mullerian tubercle forms the **seminal colliculus**.

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**Development  
of gonads  
(Testis & Ovary)**



**Undifferentiation Stage**

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## • DEVELOPMENT OF THE GONADS

\* The gonads, in both sexes, pass into 2 stages of development:

### A- Undifferentiation Stage:

\* In the first stage of gonadal development, it is impossible to distinguish between testis and ovary.

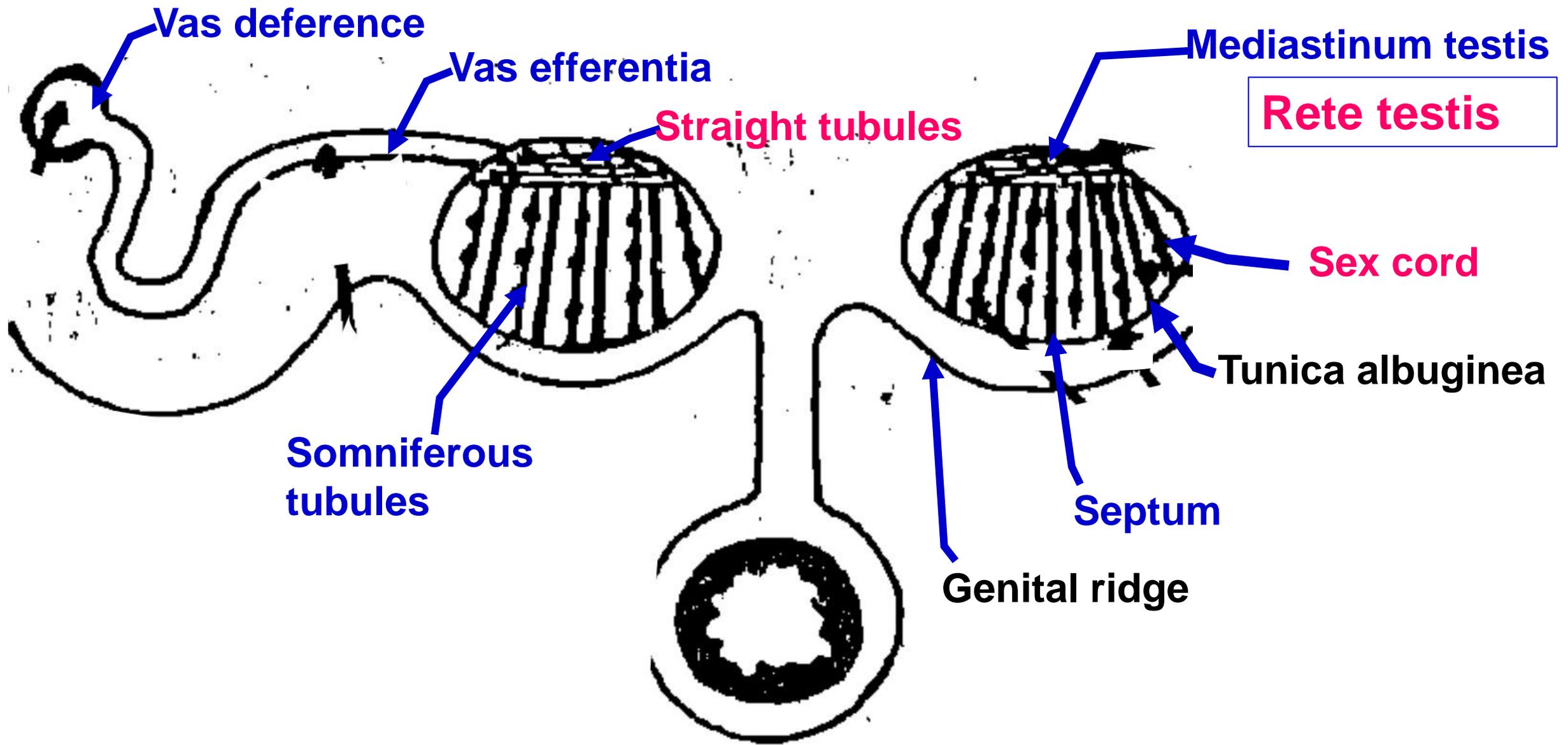
\* **Paired Genital ridges** arise from the **coelomic epithelium covering intermediate mesoderm medial** to the mesonephric ridge, (on each side).

\* In the **4<sup>th</sup> week**, **primordial germ cells** begins to **migrate** from the endoderm lining **yolk sac** to the **genital ridges** via dorsal mesentery of hindgut

\* Simultaneously, the **epithelium of genital ridge** proliferate and form **sex cords** opposite the **middle part** of the mesonephric tubules

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# Development of Testis



## \* DEVELOPMENT OF THE TESTIS

- \* At the **6th week** of intrauterine life under the effect of Y-chromosome that has **testis detecting factor** (**SRY gene (Sex-determining region Y protein)**).
- \* The **sex cords** will be separated from genital ridge by a fibrous capsule (**tunica albuginea**).
- \* The tunica albuginea send connective tissue **septa** dividing the testis into 200-300 compartments.
- \* Each compartment contains **2-3 cords**.
- \* The **septa fuse** at the dorsal border of the testis to form the **mediastinum testis**.
- \* The **sex cords** communicate with each other at mediastinum testis forming **rete testis**.
- \* The **sex cords** canalize to form **seminiferous tubules**.
- \* The **rete testis** will be canalized forming **straight tubules**. These straight tubules will join with the **vasa efferentia** (**remnant of middle of mesonephric tubule**).

- **Descent of the Testis**

- **Aim of descend:** Because the process of spermatogenesis requires degree of temperature lower than that of the abdomen
- The testes descend through inguinal canal into the scrotum **by age 3 months** of pregnancy, In most cases, the testes pass down by **age 6 months without any treatment.**

- **Factors controlling the descent:**

- **Gubernaculum** (after mesonephros has atrophied) Cranially it has its **origin** at the testis and **inserts** in the region of the genital swelling (future scrotum).
- **Formation of the processes vaginalis** on which testes will slide through inguinal canal.
- Human chorionic gonadotrophin hormone from placenta, testosterone and Anti Mullerin Hormone.
- **Increasing intra-abdominal pressure** due to organ growth.

- **Developing of the cells:**

- 1- **Primordial germ cells** give the spermatogonia.
- 2- **Coelomic epithelium** gives rise the supporting cells of Sertoli.
- 3- **Mesenchymal cells**, give rise the interstitial cells of Leydig.

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- **Congenital anomalies of the Testis:**

**1- Agenesi**s of one or both testis. Bilateral agenesi resulted in sterility.

**2- Primordial Germ cell aplasia** (**No** spermatogonia) either degeneration or failure of migration

**3- Abnormality in the descent of the testis:**

**a- Cryptorchidism** (Undescended testis) remains in the abdomen. It causes sterility due to atrophy of spermatogenic cells or malignancy.

**b- Incomplete descent:** It may be found in inguinal canal or superficial inguinal ring.

**c- Ectopic testis:** the testis descends to an abnormal site.

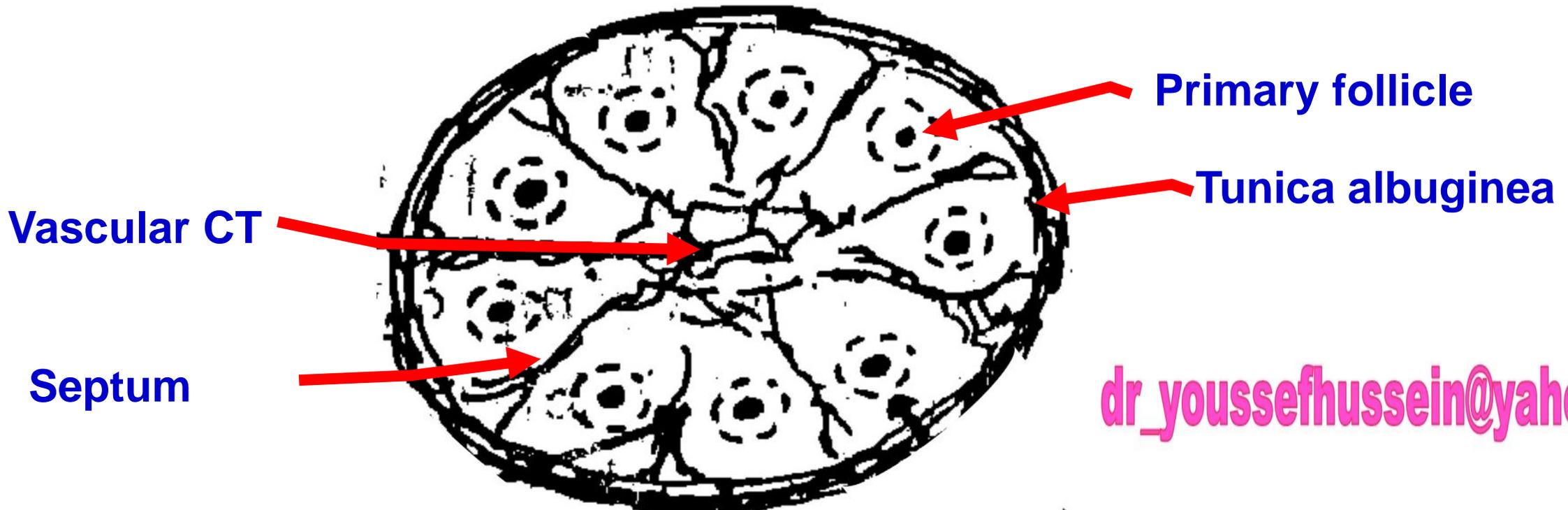
**4- Klinefelter syndrome (44+ XXY) leads to sterility**

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# Development of Ovary

## • DEVELOPMENT OF THE OVARY

- \* The sex cords will be separated by a fibrous capsule (**tunica albuginea**).
- \* The sex cords in the **medulla** (center) **degenerated** and replaced by **a vascular connective tissue**.
- \* **In the 3<sup>rd</sup> month**, the **sex cords in the cortex** (peripheral): flat cells surrounding each primordial germ cells (oogonia) forming **primary follicle**.



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- **Congenital Anomalies of the Ovary:**

**1- Agenesis** of one or both ovaries.

**2. Primordial Germ cell aplasia (No oogonia)** either degeneration or failure of migration

**3. Ovarian hypoplasia** (Turner's syndrome): (44+x0).

**4. Ectopic ovary:** It may be found in abnormal site.

**5. Hermaphroditism (rare):**

**a- True hermaphroditism (Ovo-testis):** both ovarian and testicular tissues are present.

**b- Pseudo hermaphroditism:**

- **Male Pseudo hermaphroditism (44+XY):** fetus has testis and female external genital organs.

- **Female Pseudo hermaphroditism (44+XX):** fetus has ovaries and male external genital organs

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