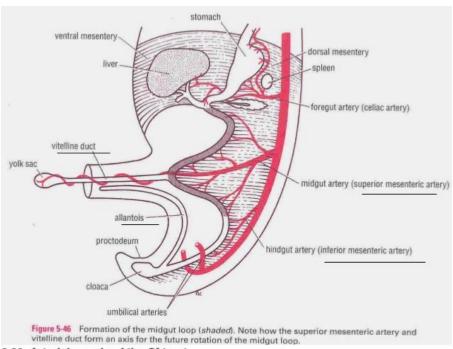
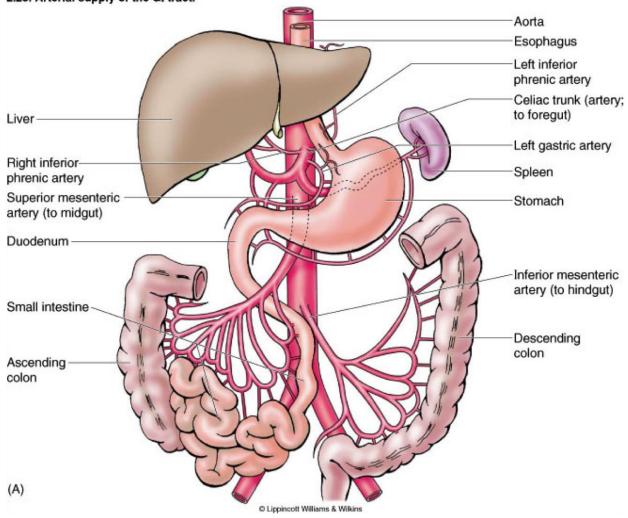
ARTERIAL SUPPLY OF GUT

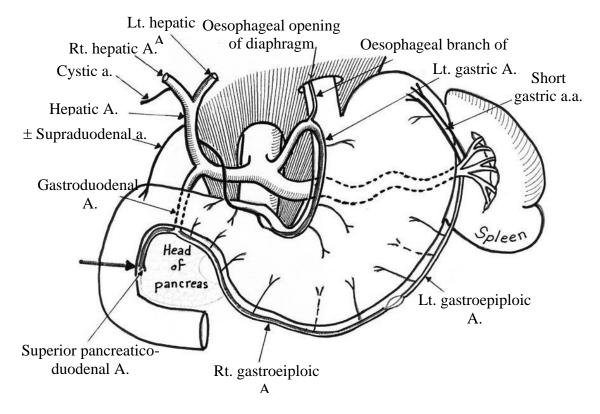


2.28. Arterial supply of the GI tract.



1. COELIAC TRUNK

- * It arises from front of a at level of upper border of L1, passes forwards for 1/2 inch then it ends by dividing into 3 terminal branches.
- * It is the artery of **foregut.**
- * On each side it is related to caeliac ganglion & a crus of diaphram.
- * Anterior relations: it is related to cavity of lesser sac.
- * **Inferiorly** it is related to upper border of body of pancreas.

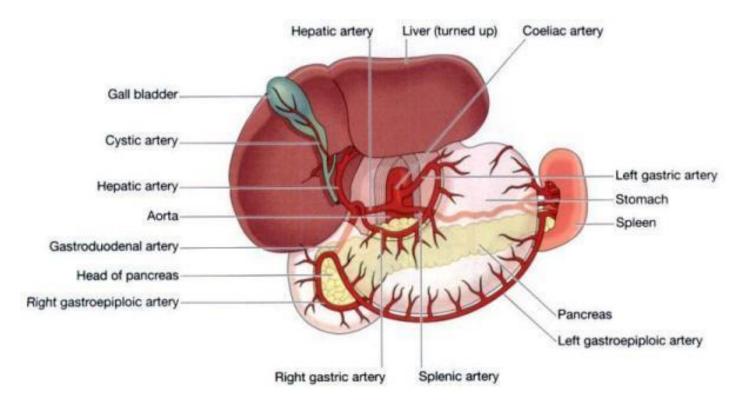


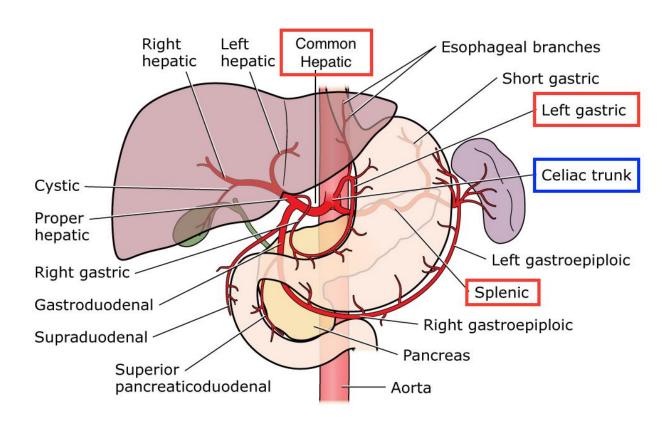
* Coeliac Trunk and its Branches *

* Branches:

- a)Left gastric artery: which gives oesophageal & gastric branches.
- **b) Splenic artery:** Tortuous, runs above body of pancreas, gives pancreatic branches, short gastric, Lt. gastroepiploic & splenic branches.
- c) Hepatic artery: Passes in the free border of lesser omentum in front of portal vein and on the left side of C.B.D. It gives right gastric artery, gastroduodenal artery (gives sup. panceatico-

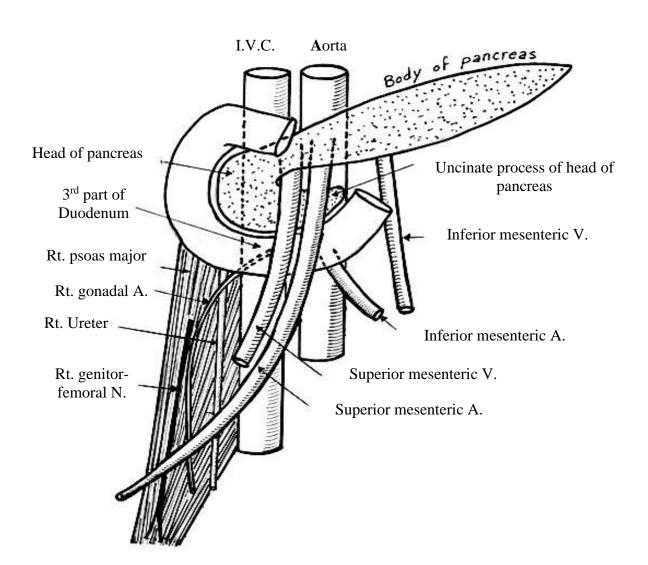
duodenal & right gastro-epiplioc arteries) and right & left terminal branches to liver.

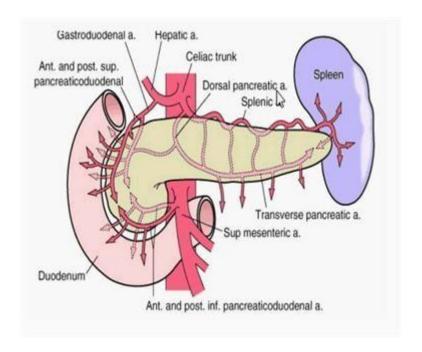


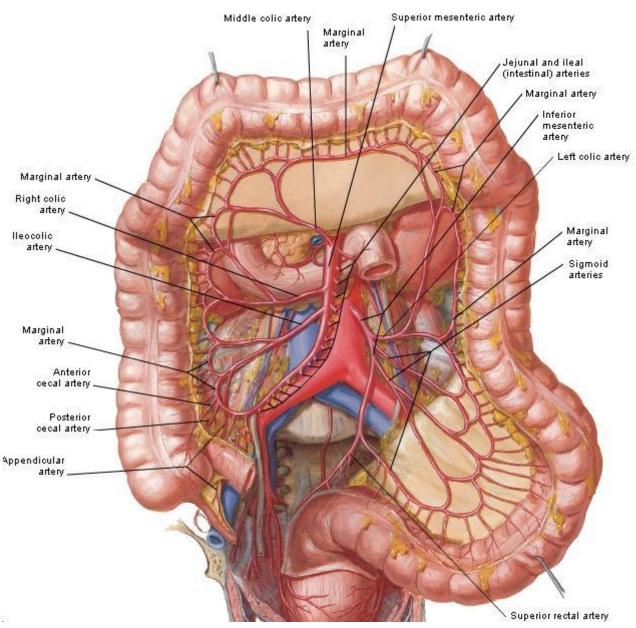


2. SUPERIOR MESENTERIC ARTERY.

- * It arises from front of a rta at level of lower border of L₁ & passing downwards and to the right to ends in the right iliac fossa by anastomosing with ileo-colic artery.
- * It is the artery of **midgut**.
- *Branches: Inferior pancreatico-duodenal, jejunal & ileal, ileo-colic, right colic & middle colic arteries.
- * Relation: It arises behind body of pancreas on the left side of its vein then both pass in front of left renal vein, uncinate process of pancreas, 3rd part of duodenum, then enters the root of mesentery of small intestine.



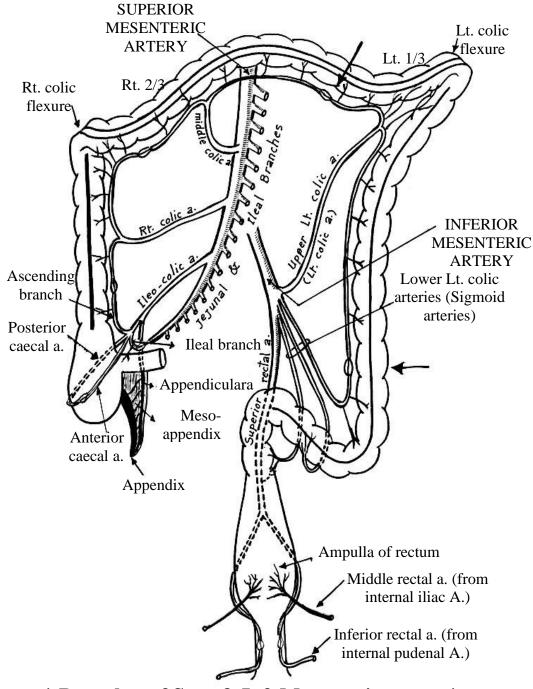




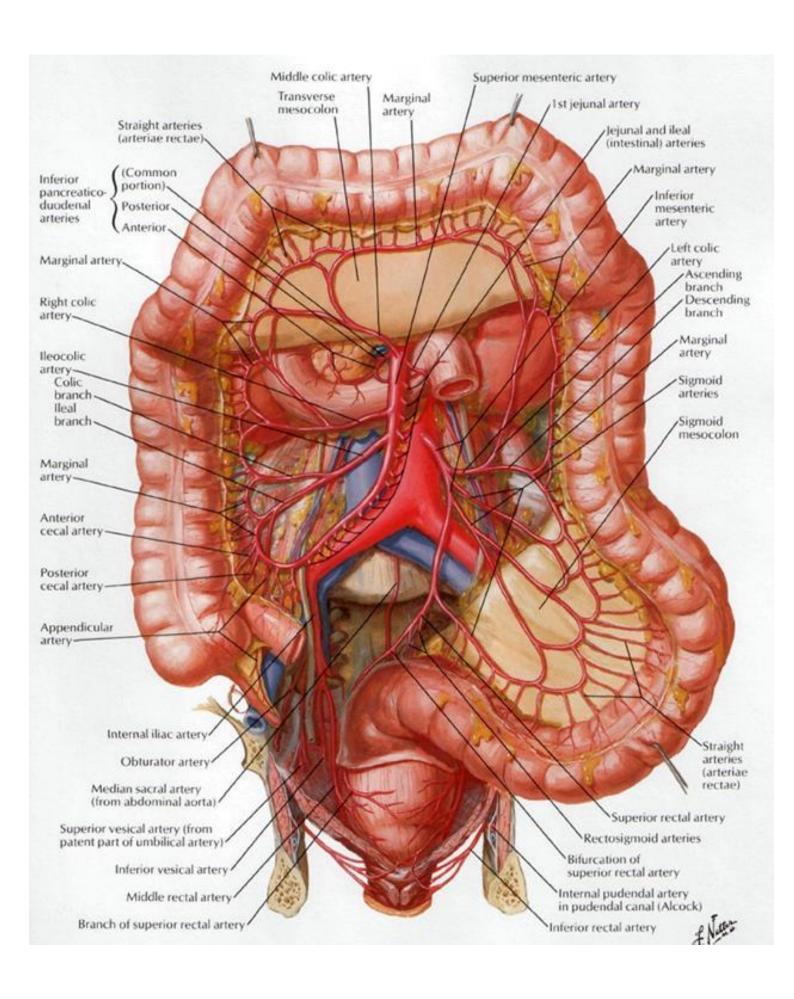
*Superior and Inferior Mesenteric Arteries *

3. INF. MESENTERIC ARTERY.

- * *It arises* from front of aorta at levle of L₃ behind 3rd part of duodenum.
- * *It ends* by entering the pelvis, by crossing middle of left common iliac artery as superior rectal artery.
- * It is the artery of **hindgut.**
- * **Branches:** Superior left colic artery, inferior left colic arteries (sigmoid arteries). superior rectal artery (main arterial supply to rectum & upper half of anal canal).



* Branches of Sup. & Inf. Mesenteric artery *



- * **N.B.:** Anastomosis along the medial aspect of ascending & desceding colon and mesenteric border of transverse colon, forms the marginal artery which gives the vasa recta. The latter are the terminal arterial branches to the colon.
- This marginal artery has a great surgical importance as it can maintain the viability of a long segment of the colon after division of a major colic branch.
- According to blood supply, the colon is divided to 4 surgical segments:
 - **1. 1st segment:** include terminal 10 inches of ileum, caecum, ascending colon, right colic flexure & right 1/3 of transverse colon.
 - **2. 2nd segment:** Middle 1/3 of transverse colon.
 - **3. 3rd segment:** left 1/3 of transverse colon and descending colon.
 - **4. 4th segment:** Sigmoid colon.
- * **Lymphatic drainage** of colon follows arterial supply to the following lymph nodes in sequence:
 - 1. **Epicolic nodes** on the bowel wall.
 - 2. **Paracolic nodes** between the marginal artery and the bowel.
 - 3. **Intermediate nodes** on the main vessels along the colic arteries.
 - 4. **Central nodes** alongside the superior and inferior mesenteric vessels.

Portal circulation

- * It begins & ends by capillaries. It has no valves.
- * Difference between the portal and systemic circulation.*

Portal circulation	Systemic circulation		
1- Formed by the portal vein and	1- Formed by the I.V.C. & S.V.C.		
its tributaries	and their tributaries.		
2- Has no valves.	2-May contain valves.		
3- Starts by tributaries and ends	3- Starts by tributaries and ends in		
by branches.	large vein .		

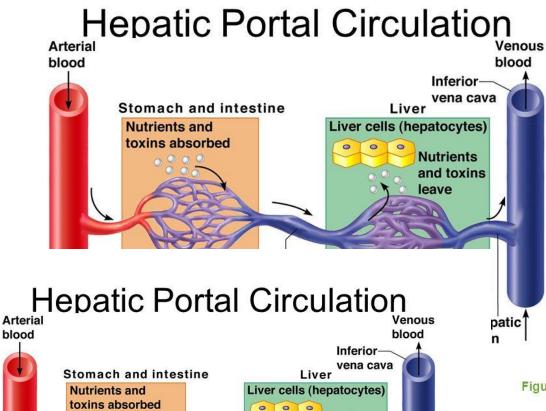
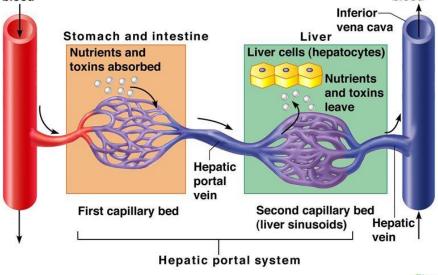
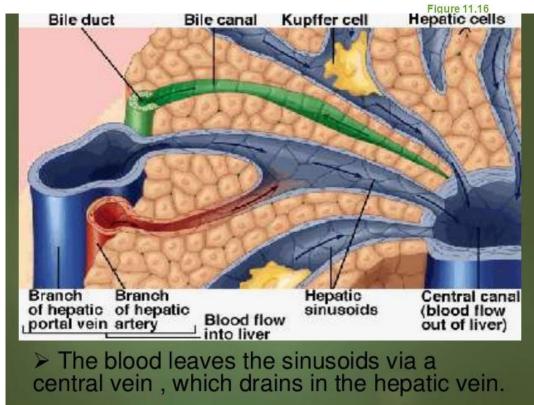
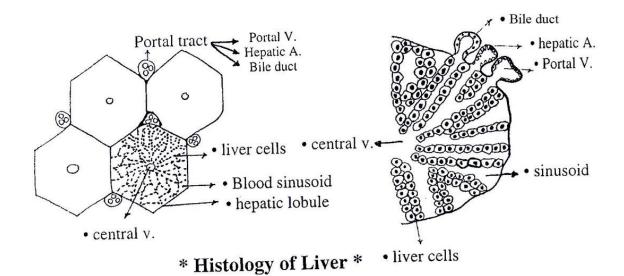


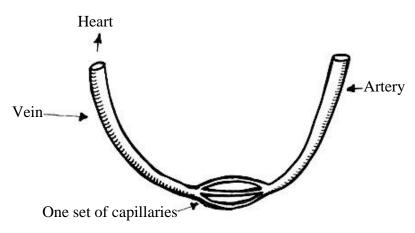
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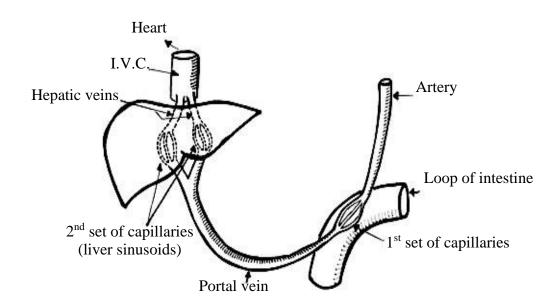




* Systemic circulation *

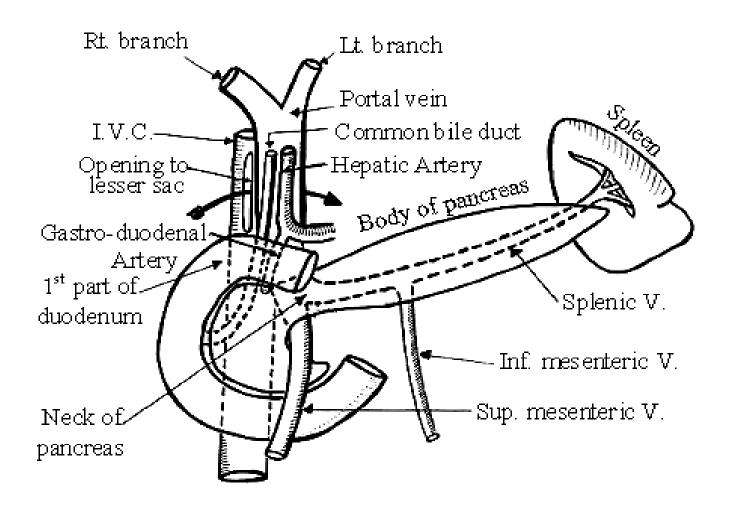


* Portal Circulation*



PORTAL VEIN

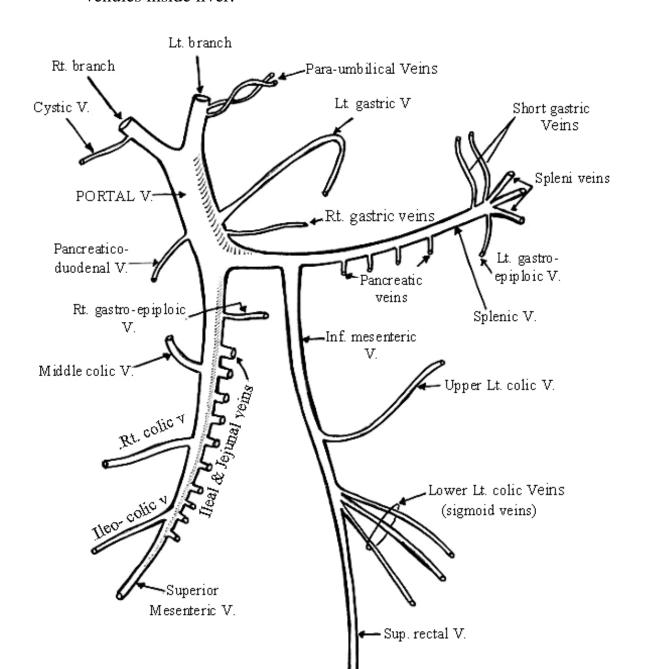
- * **It begins** behind neck of pancreas by union of superior mesenteric vein & splenic vein & **ends** in porta hepatis by dividing into right & left branches.
- * Course & relation: It ascends upward & to right in front of I.V.C. & behind the 1st part of duodenum (separated from it by gastroduodenal artery & C.B.D.) Then it ascends in free border of lesser omentum in front of opening to lesser sac & behind hepatic artery & C.B.D.



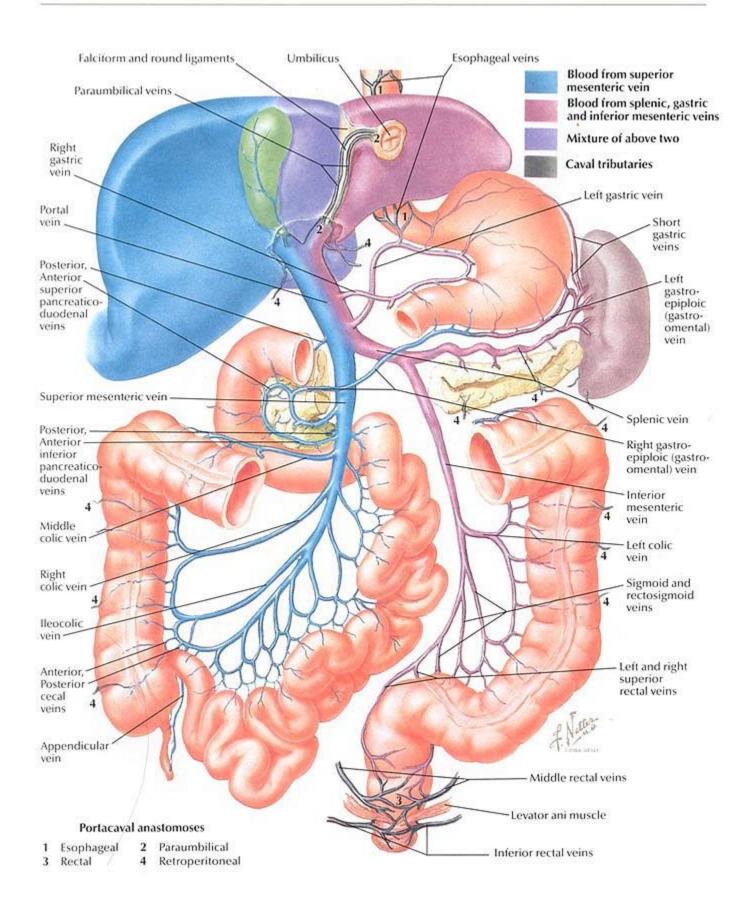
PORTAL VEIN

* Tributaries:

- 1. *Splenic* vein.: Receive splenic veins, short gastric veins (receives oesophageal veins.), left gastroepiploic vein, pancreatic veins, inferior mesenteric vein. The latter recieve superior rectal vein, inferior left colic & superior left colic veins.
- 2. *Superior mesenteric* vein: Jejunal, ileal, ileocolic, right colic, middle colic & right gastroepiploic veins.
- 3. **Right gastric & left gastric** veins (the later receives oesophageal veins).
- 4. *Para-umbilical veins* drain into the left branch of portal vein (drain skin around umbilicus during infancy then obliterated).
- 5. *Cystic veins* draining the G.B. passes directly into the portal venules inside liver.



Portal Vein Tributaries: Portacaval Anastomoses



Porto-Systemic Anastomoses

* In portal hypertension anastomoses between the portal and systemic circulations occurs at many sites.

A] Anastomoses at lower part of esophagus between:

- Esophageal veins of left gastric vein &short gastric veins (portal).
- Esophageal veins of vena azygos (systemic).
- * *In portal hypertension* opening of this anastomosis, leads to *esophageal varices*. Its rupture leads to haematemesis and melena.

B] Anastomoses at lower end of rectum and upper 1/2 of anal canal between:

- Superior rectal vein (portal).
- Middle and inferior rectal veins (systemic).
- * *In portal hypertension* opening of this anastomosis leads to formation of *secondary piles* and bleeding per rectum.

c] Anastomoses around the umbilicus:

- Para- umbilical veins if remain patent (portal).
- Superior & inferior epigastric veins (systemic).
- In portal hypertension opening of this anastomoses leads to dilatation of the veins in a radial direction around the umbilicus, a condition called *caput medusa*.

d] Other areas of anastomoses:

- 1- At the *bare areas of the liver*:
 - * Between capillaries inside the liver (portal) .
 - * Phrenic veins of the diaphragm (systemic).

2- At the *posterior abdominal wall*:

* Between the colic veins (portal).

* Lumbar veins (systemic).

