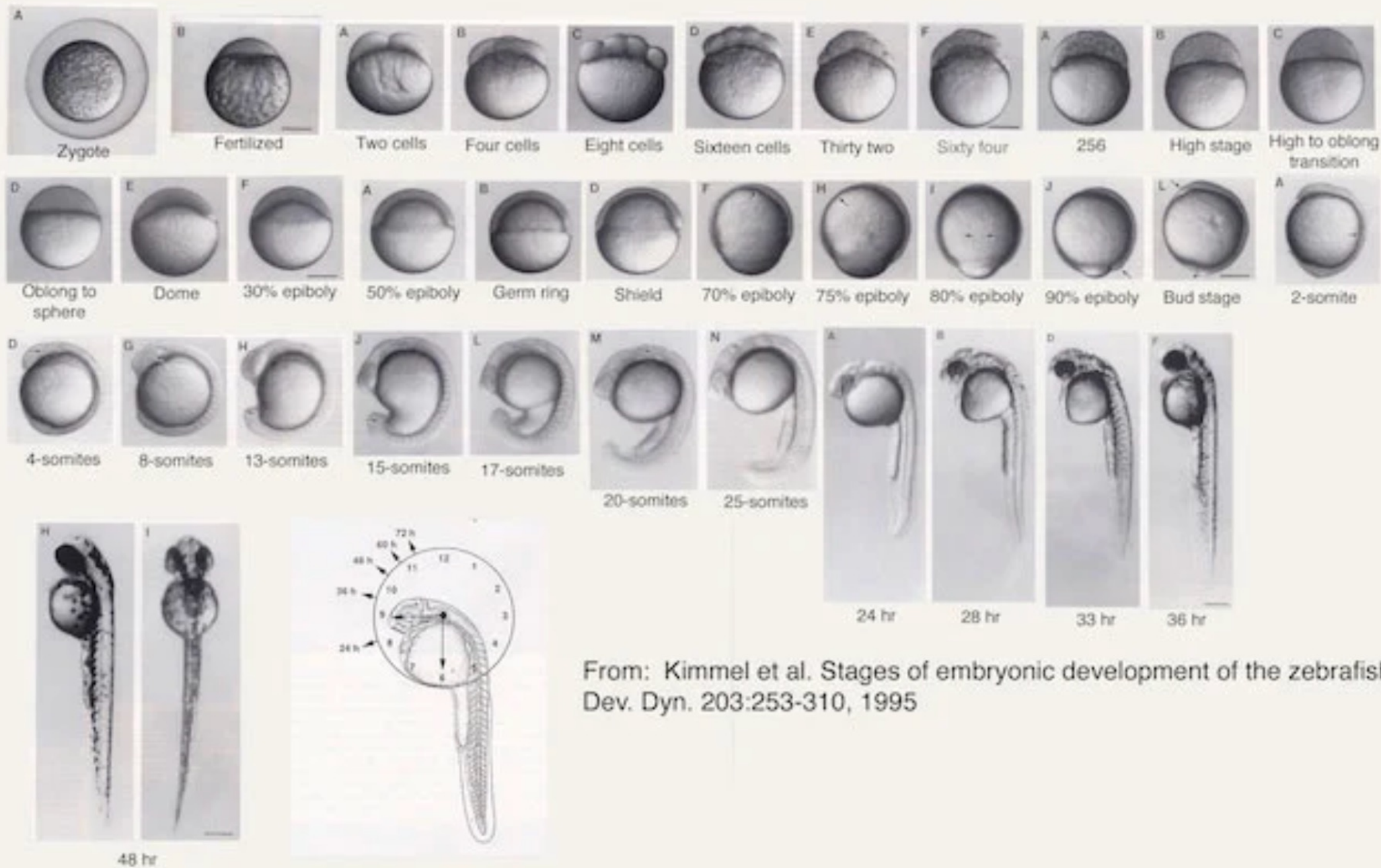
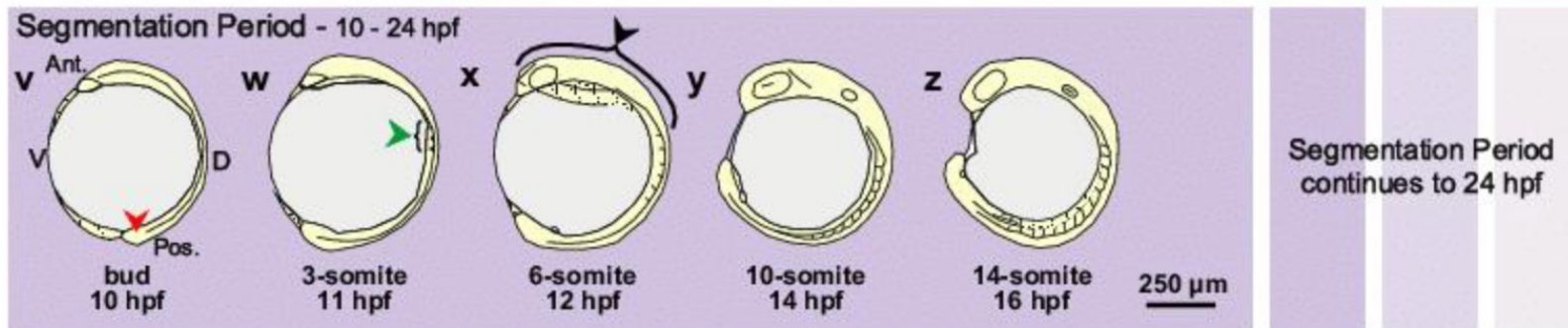
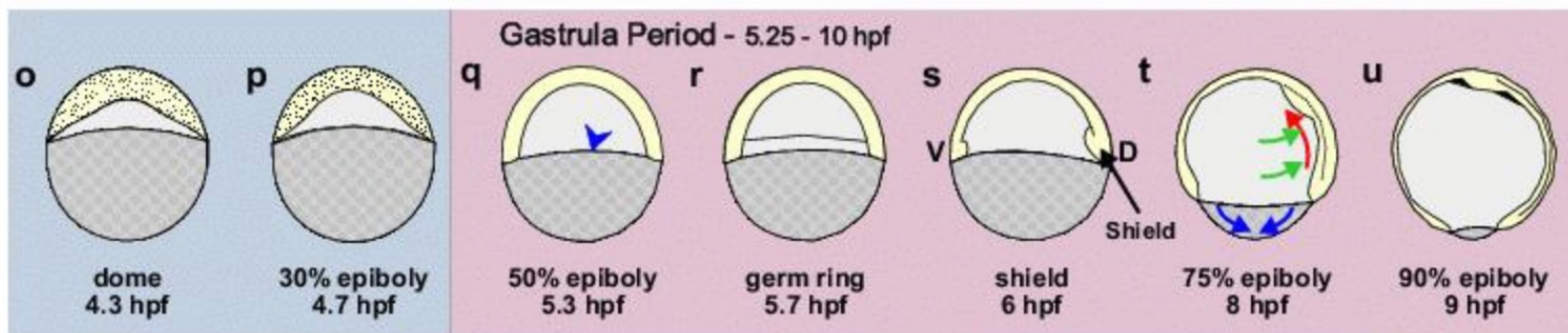
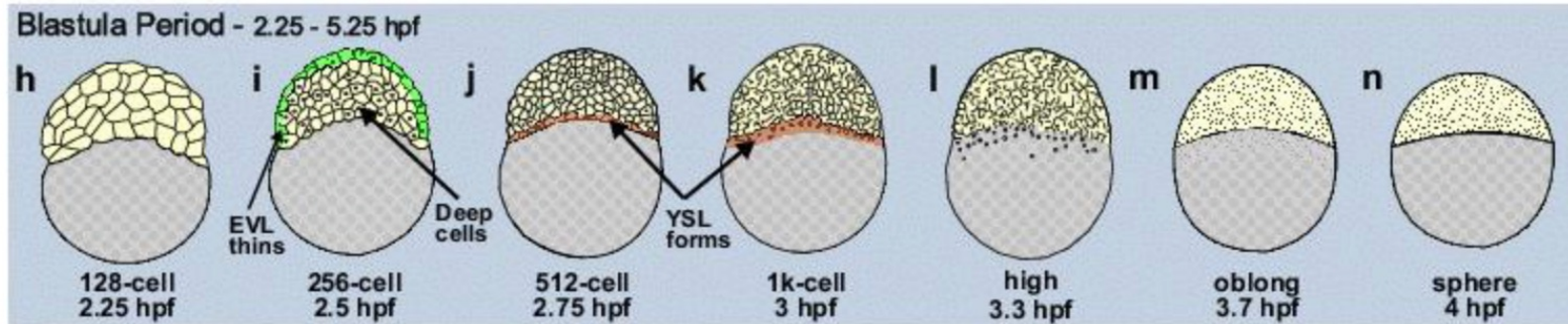
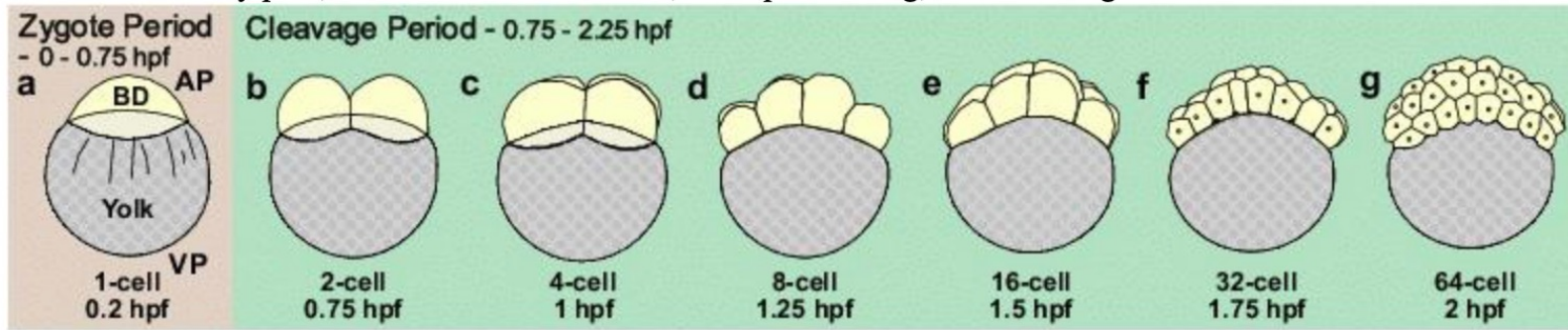




Zebrafish Gastrulation



From: Kimmel et al. Stages of embryonic development of the zebrafish
 Dev. Dyn. 203:253-310, 1995

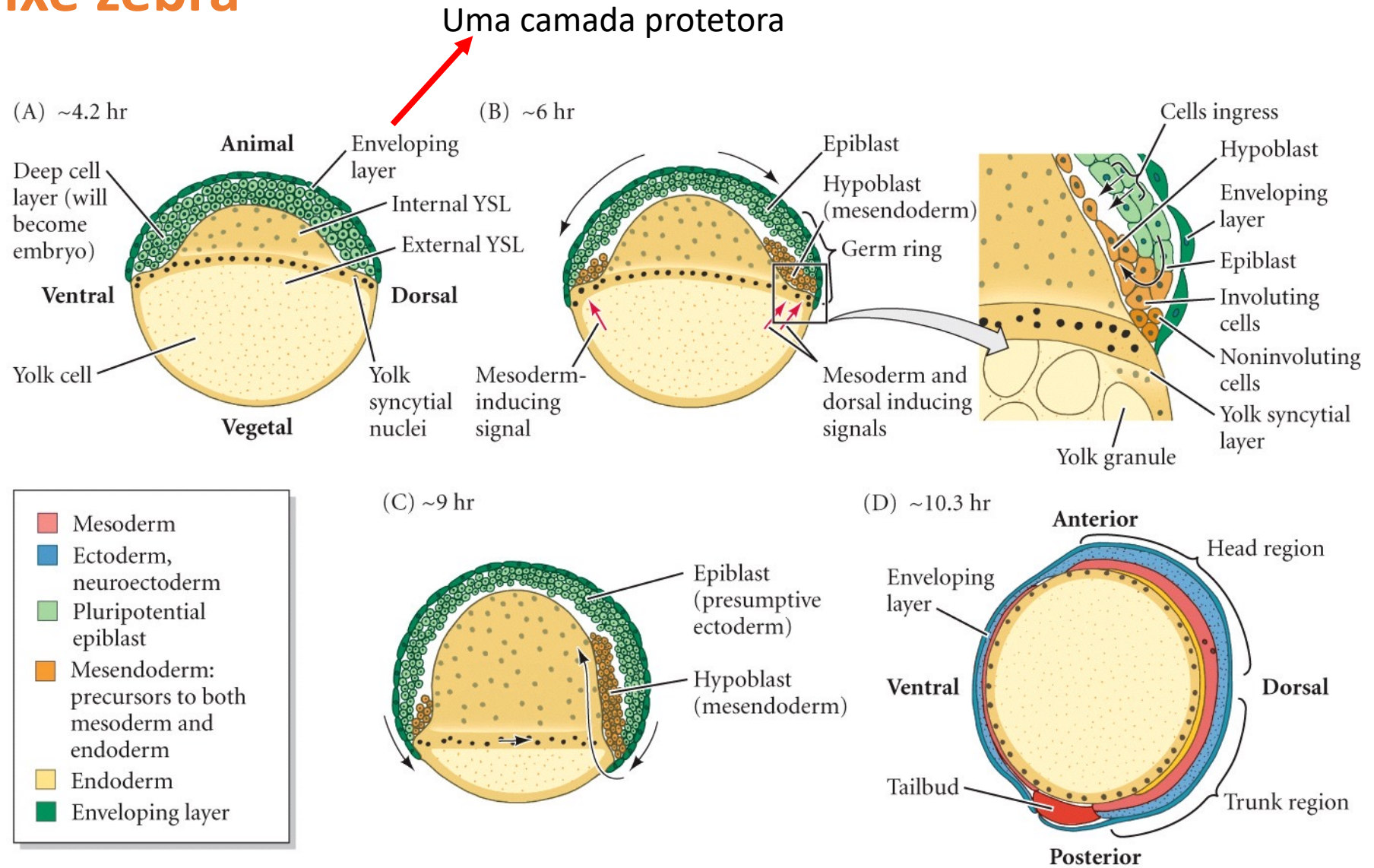




Gastrulação no peixe zebra

Nota que a terminologia no peixe difere relativamente aos amniotas:

- Corion peixe=camada vitelina outros embriões;
- Deep cell layer peixe=epiblasto amniotas;
- Epiblasto peixe=ectoderme presuntiva amniotas;
- Hipoblasto peixe=mesoderme e endoderme presuntiva amniotas

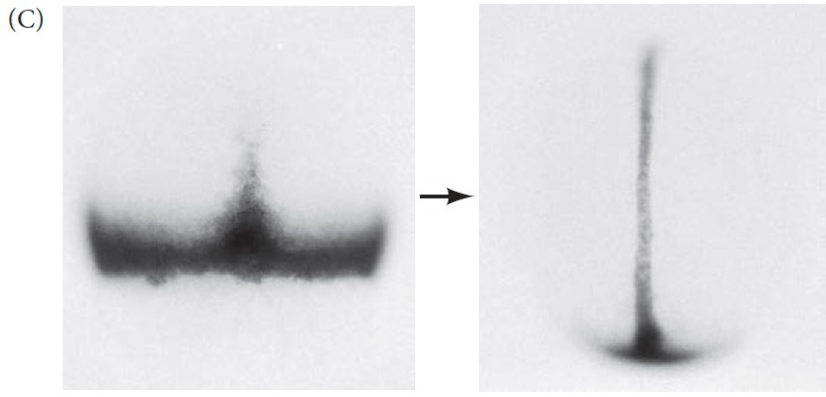
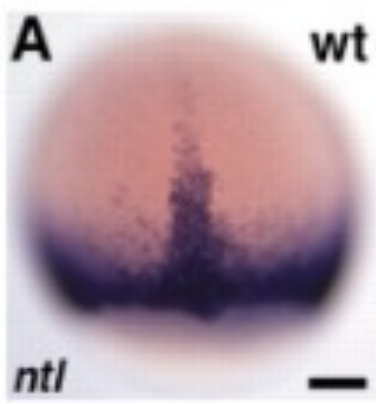
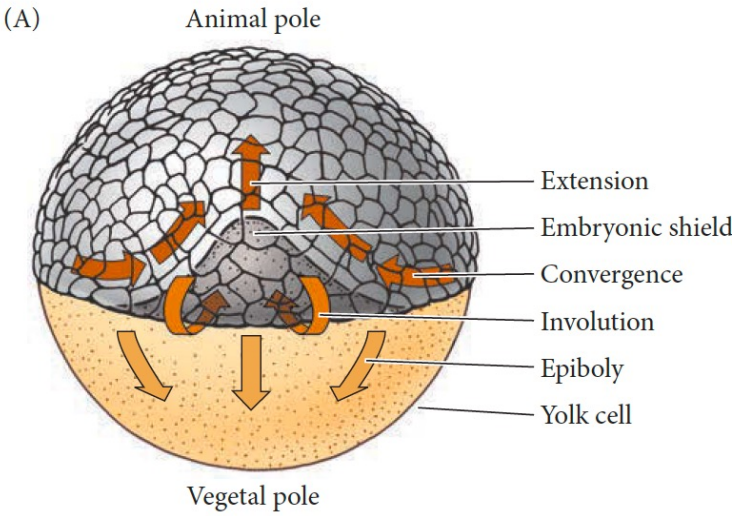
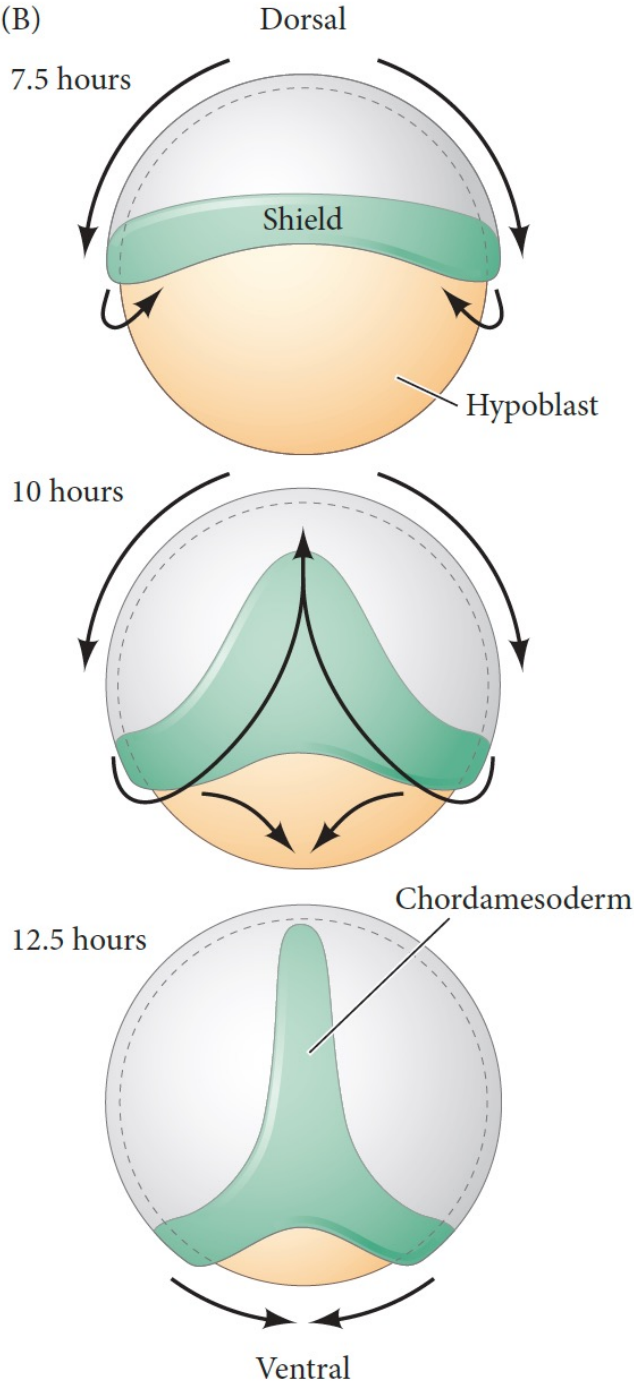


DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY 10e, Figure 8.41

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Vista lateral

Gastrulation in fish embryos



Vistas posteriores

O organizador do embrião de peixe foi descoberto com a experiência clássica de transplantação

the embryonic shield is functionally equivalent to the dorsal blastopore lip of amphibians,

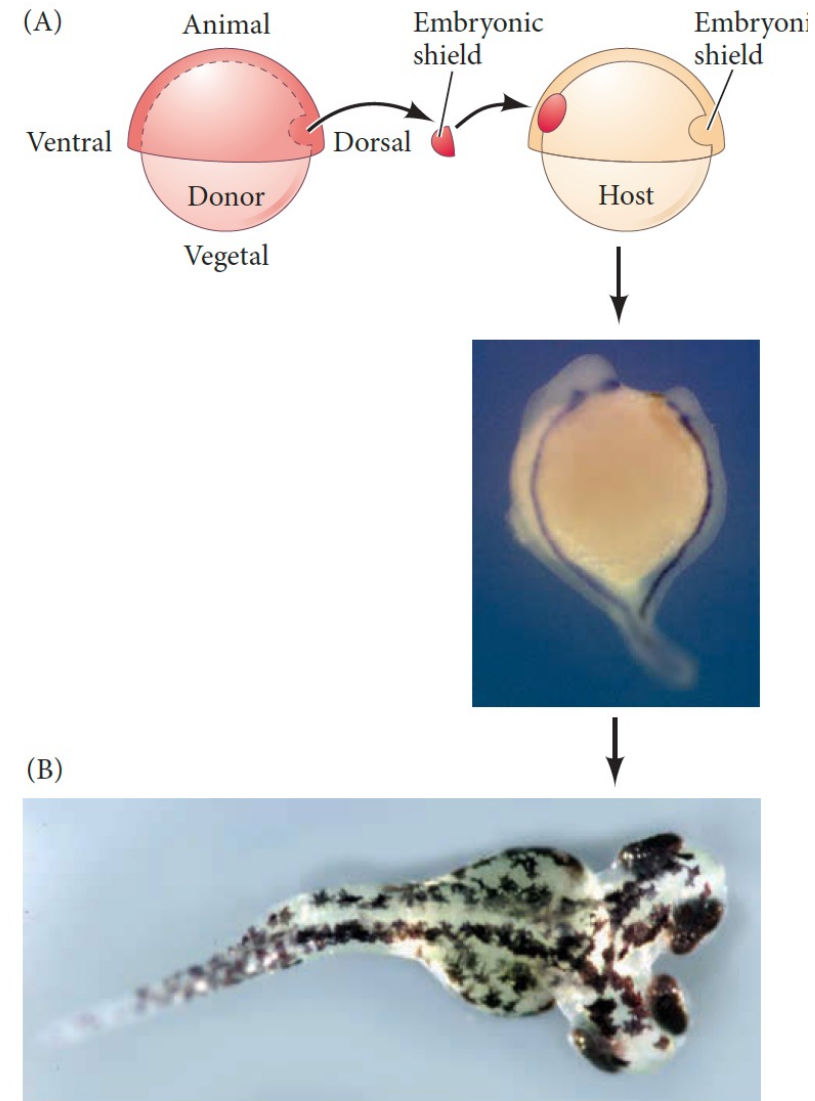
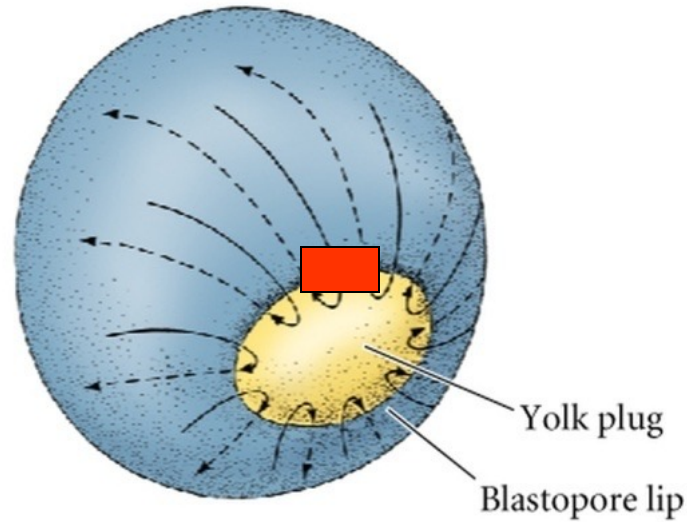
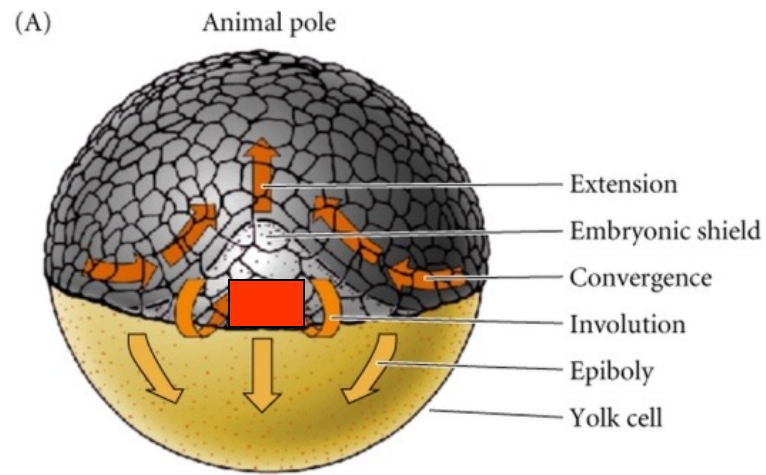


FIGURE 11.40 The embryonic shield

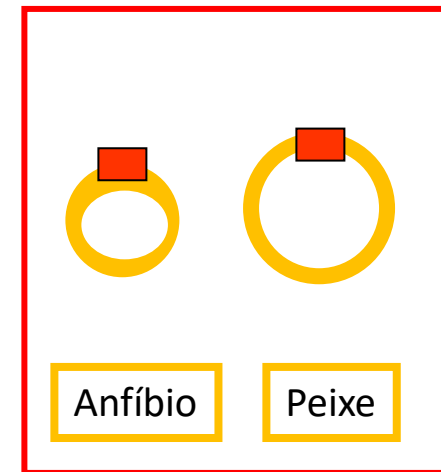
Os organizadores dos embriões de anfíbio e peixe



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■ = organizador ■ = "blastóporo" lateral/ventral

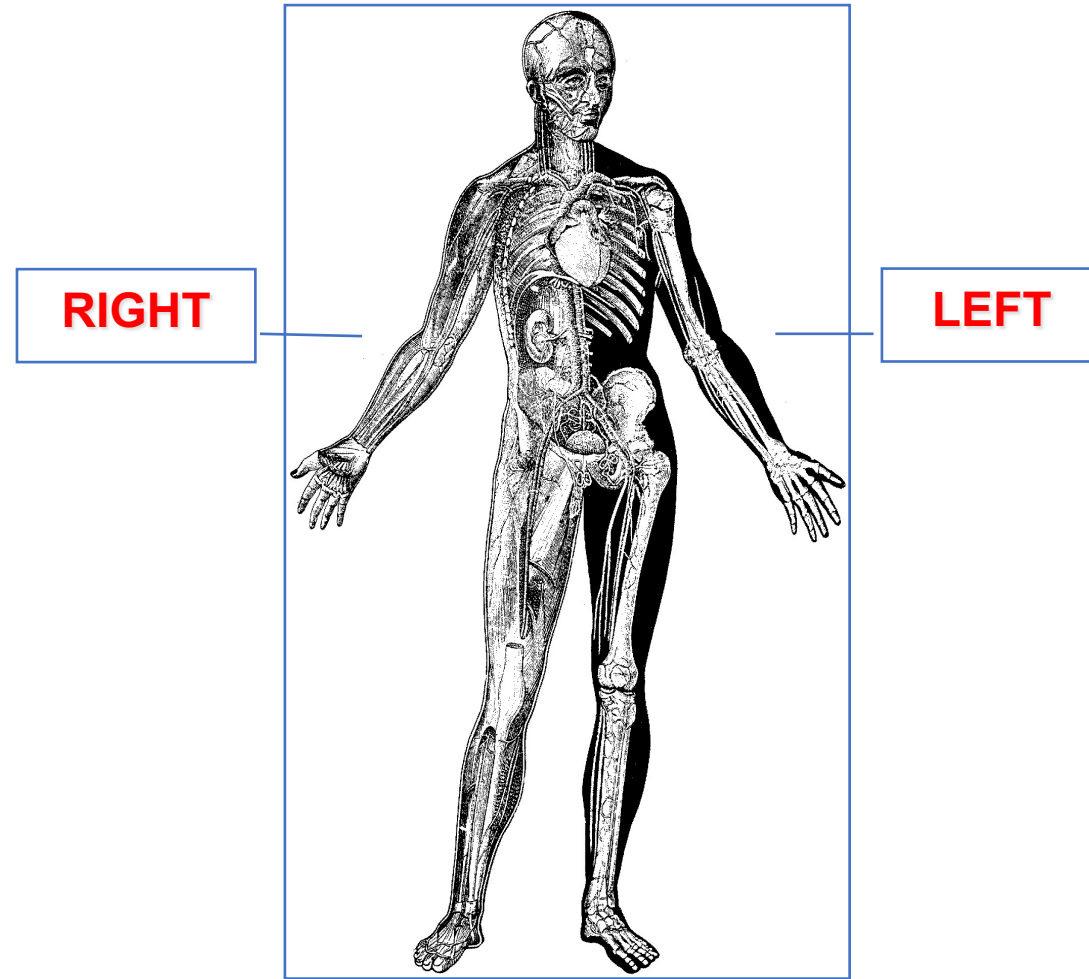
Left-Right Development

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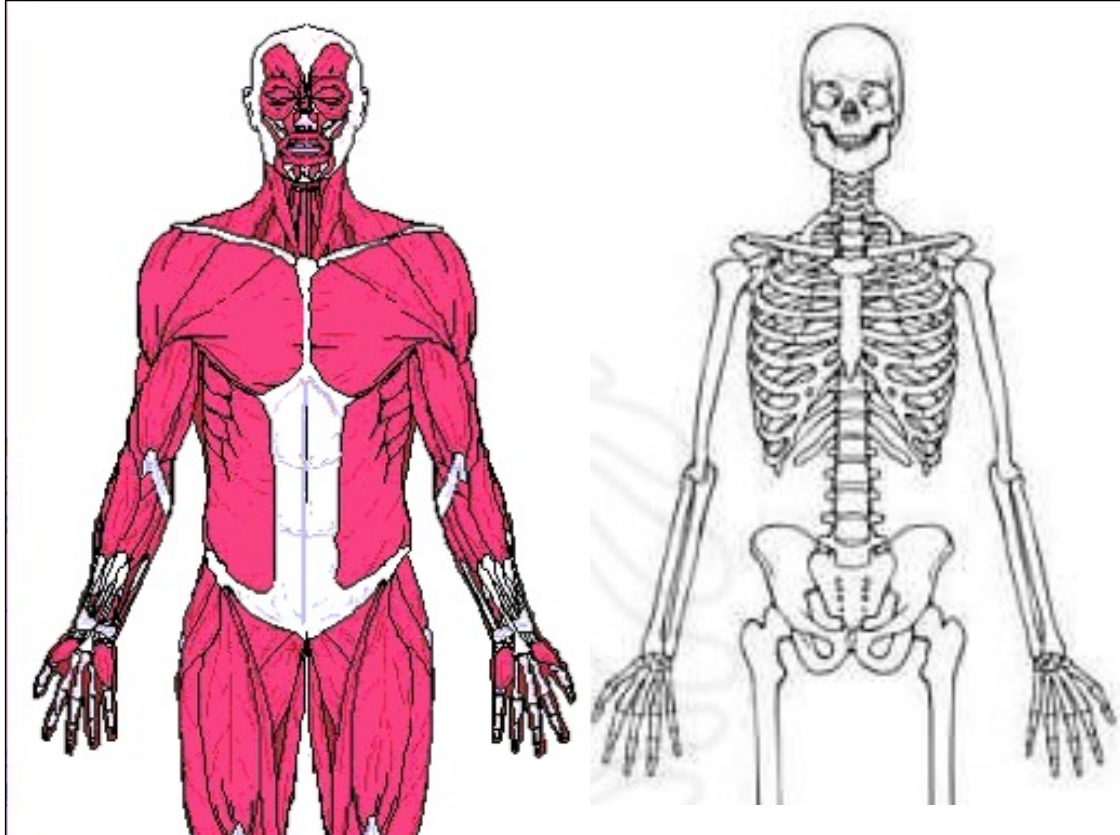
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Body laterality

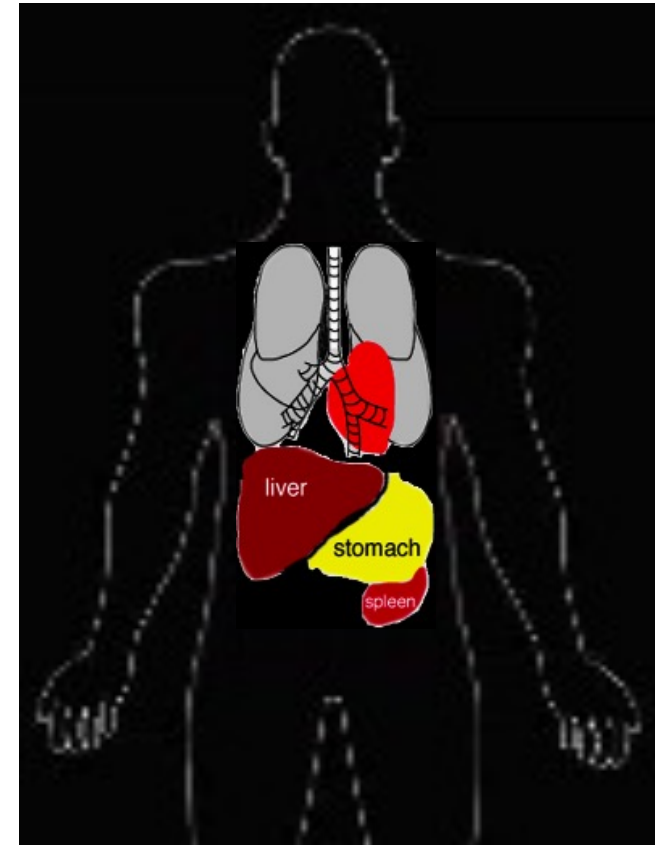


Symmetric outside asymmetric inside

Symmetric
skeleton and axial muscles

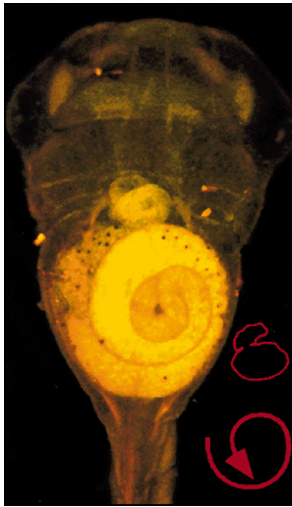


Asymmetric
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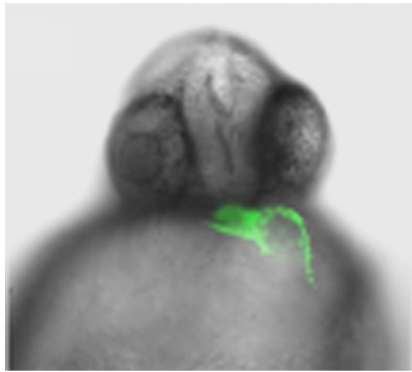


Left-Right Axis

Asymmetric distribution of the internal organs



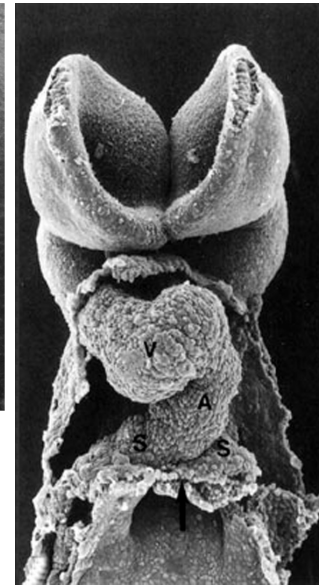
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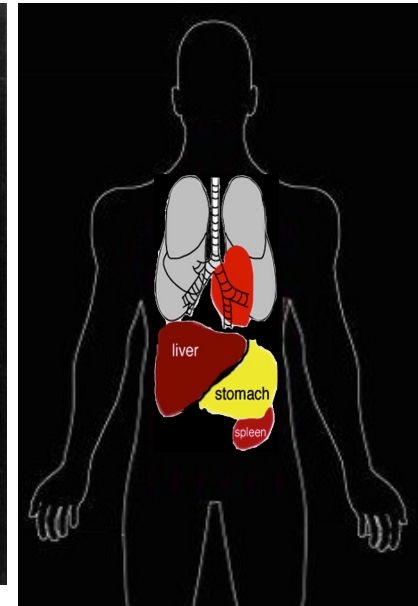
zebrafish



chicken

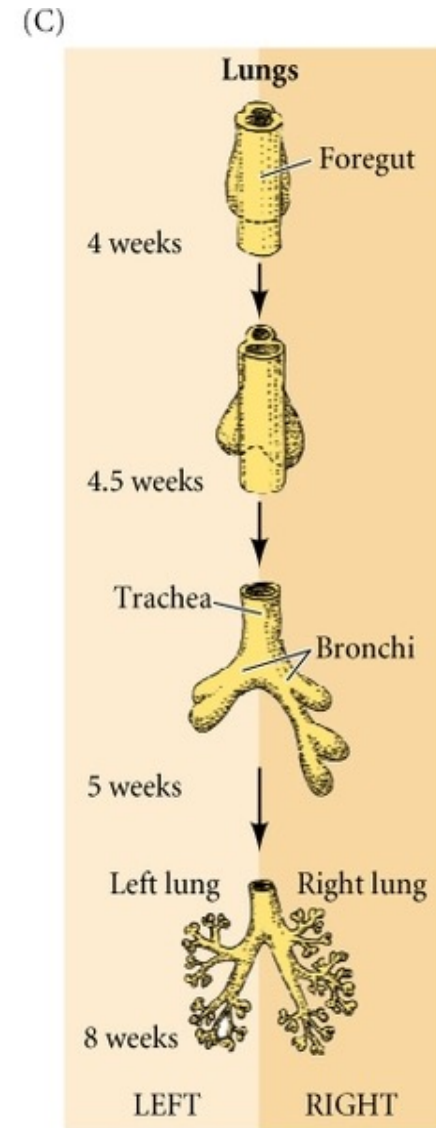
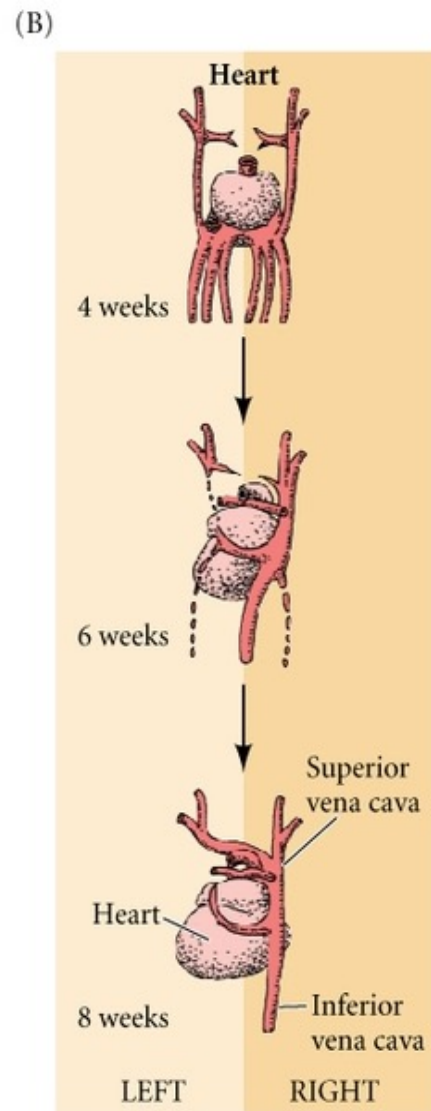
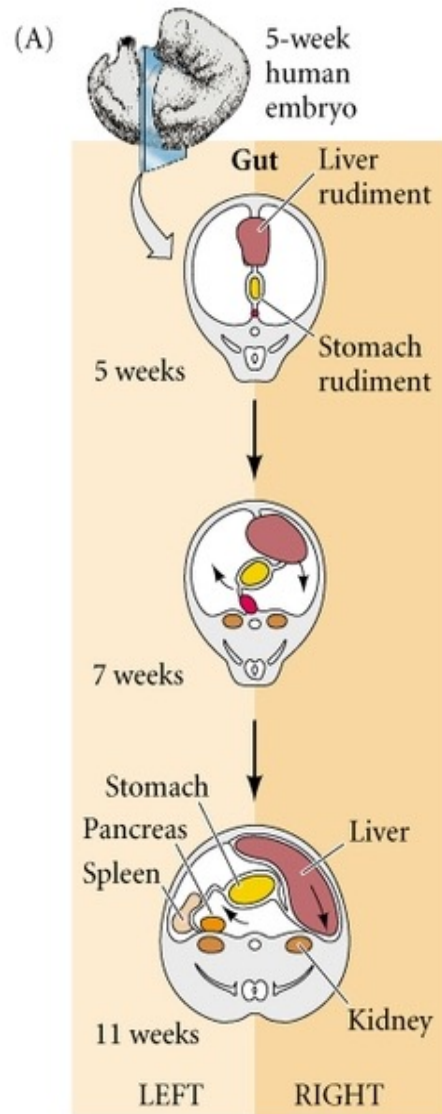


mouse



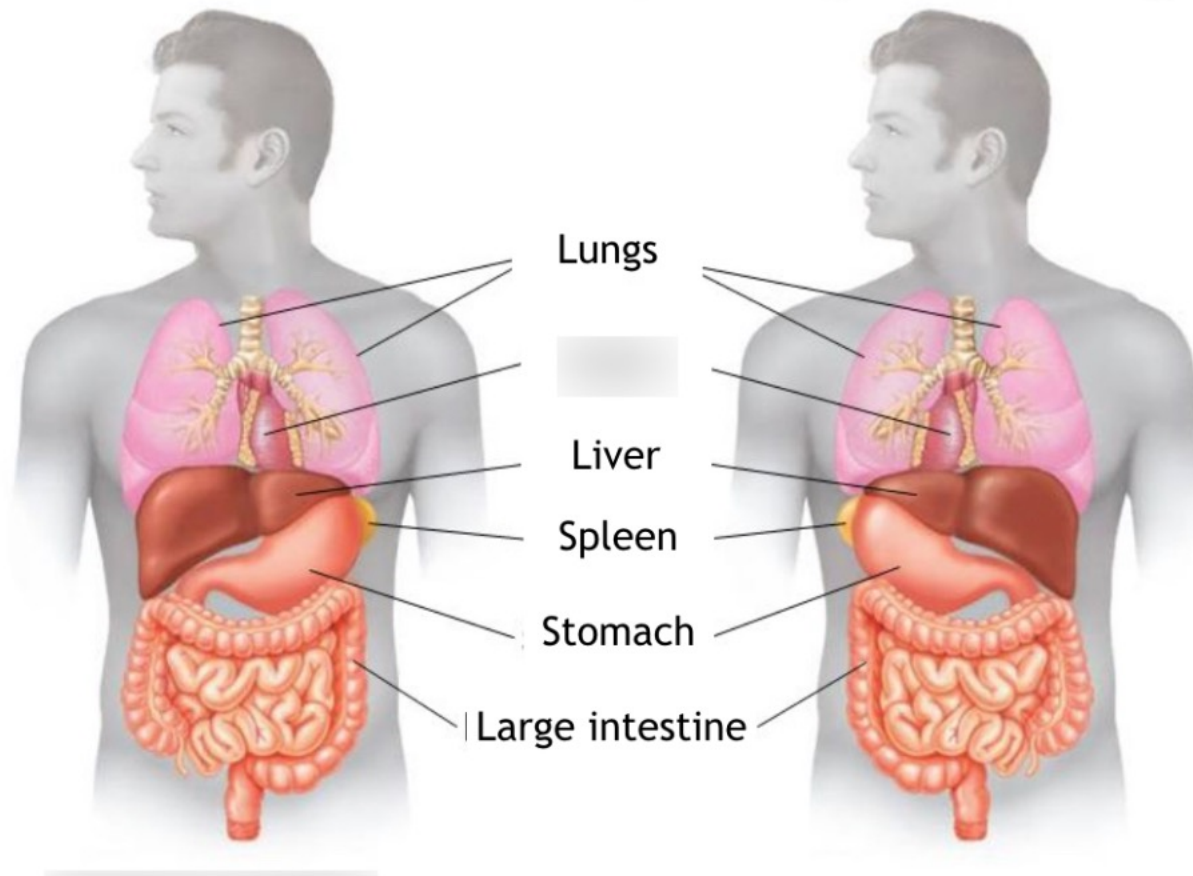
human

Asymmetry of organs



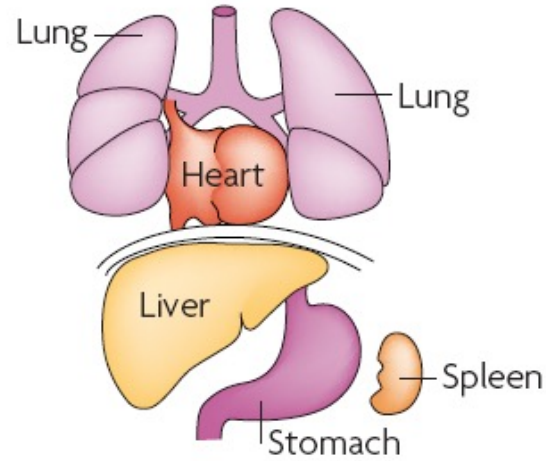
How is body asymmetry generated?

What is the difference?

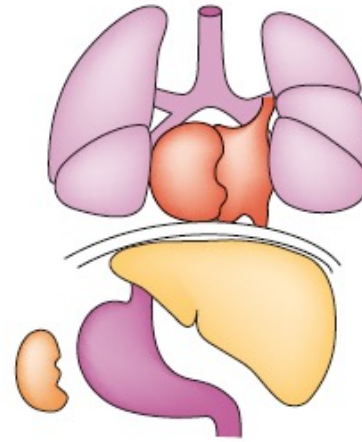


Laterality defects in humans

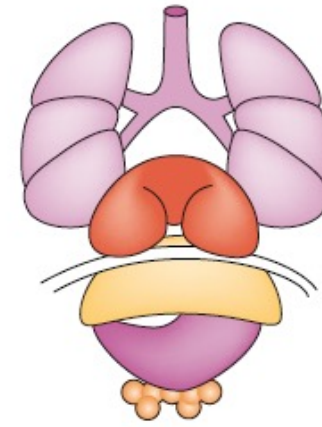
Situs solitus



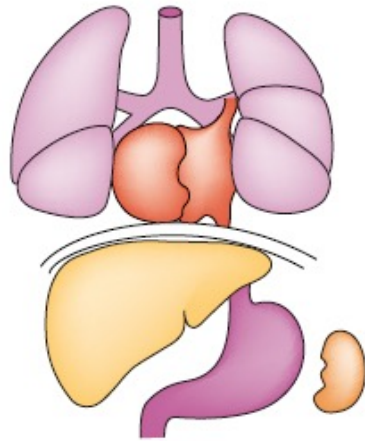
Situs inversus totalis



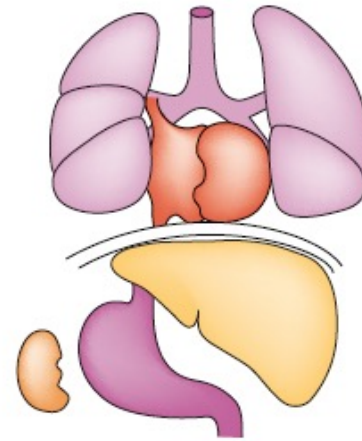
Left isomerism (polysplenia)



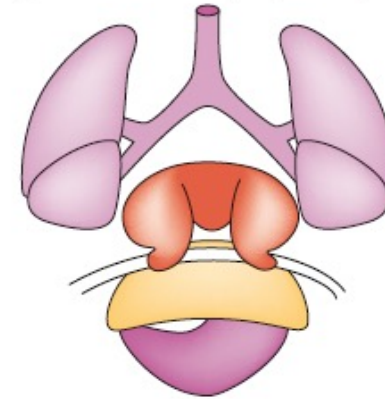
Situs inversus thoracalis



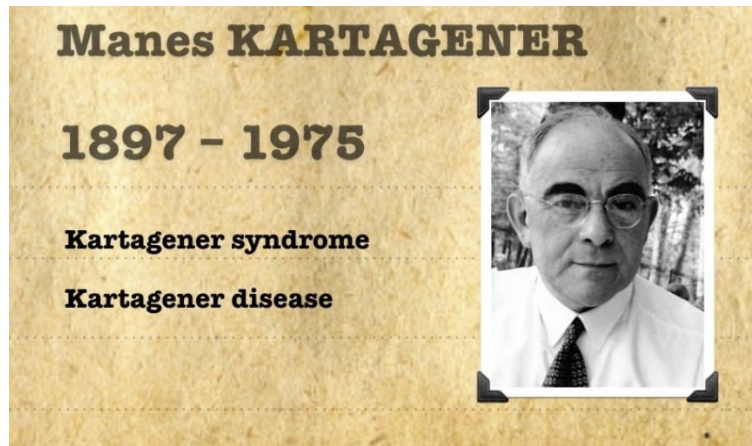
Situs inversus abdominalis



Right isomerism (asplenia)



Human patients display a triad of symptoms – Kartagener syndrome



1 - Sinusitis

2 - Bronchiectasis

3 - *situs inversus*



Afzelius BA

Later Afzelius added infertility to the list...

What is the link?

Sinusitis



Upper respiratory epithelium is ciliated

Bronchiectasis



Lower respiratory epithelium is ciliated

Infertility



Sperm cells have 1 flagellum

situs inversus



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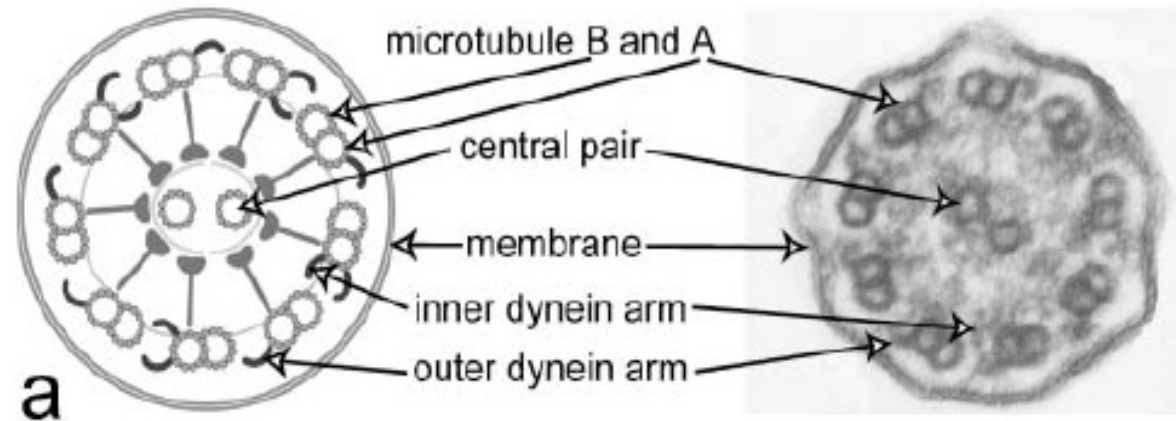
A Human Syndrome Caused by Immotile Cilia

Abstract. Four subjects who produced immotile sperm were studied. In three of the subjects, who had frequent bronchitis and sinusitis, there was no mucociliary transport, as measured by tracheobronchial clearance. Electron microscopy indicated that cilia from cells of these patients lack dynein arms.

... Three of the subjects have situs inversus totalis ...

... Visceral asymmetry is determined through the movements of cilia of some embryonic epithelial tissues.

Afzelius, Science (1976)

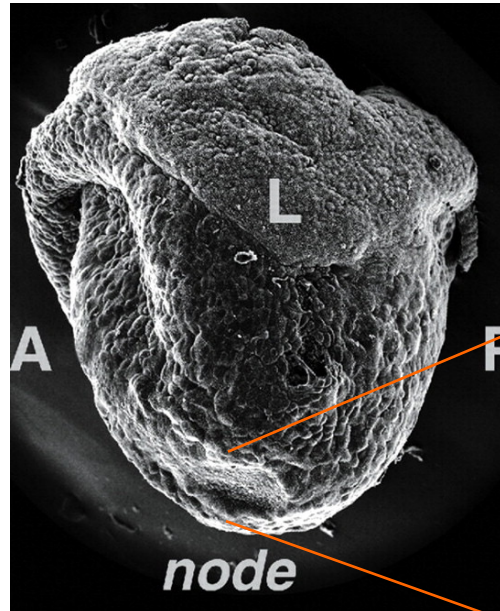


What is the embryonic epithelial tissue?

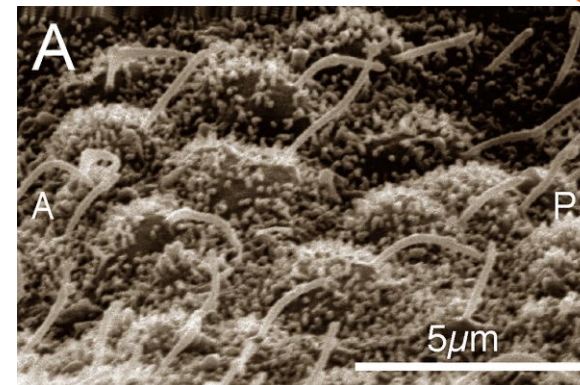
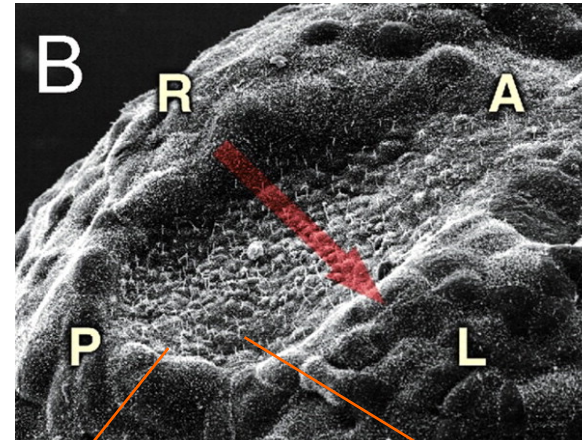


Sulik K, Dehart DB, Inagaki T, Carson JL, Vrablic T, Gesteland K, Schoenwolf GC. 1994. Morphogenesis of the murine node and notochordal plate. *Dev Dyn* 201: 260–278.

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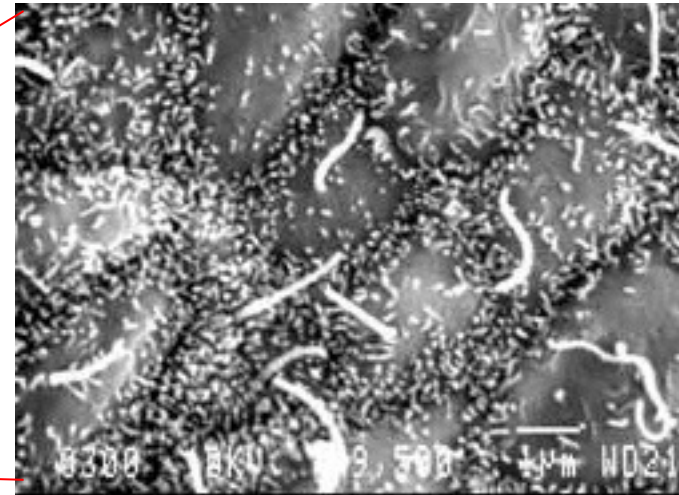
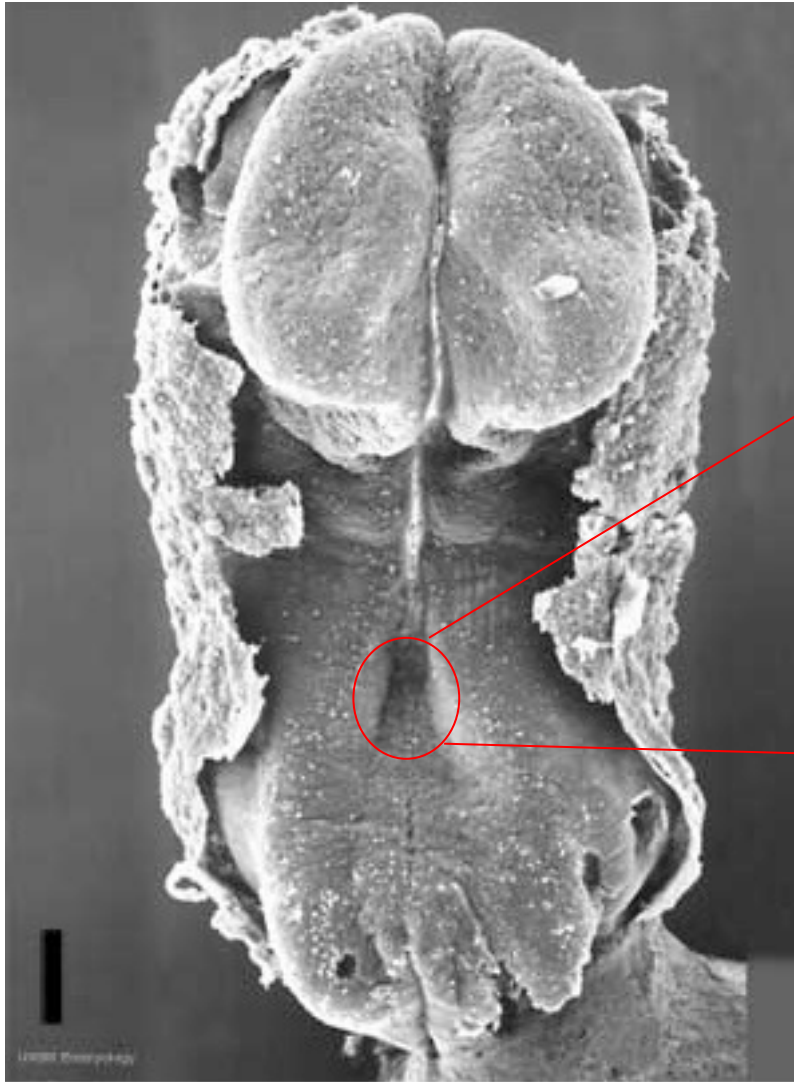


in the mouse embryonic node



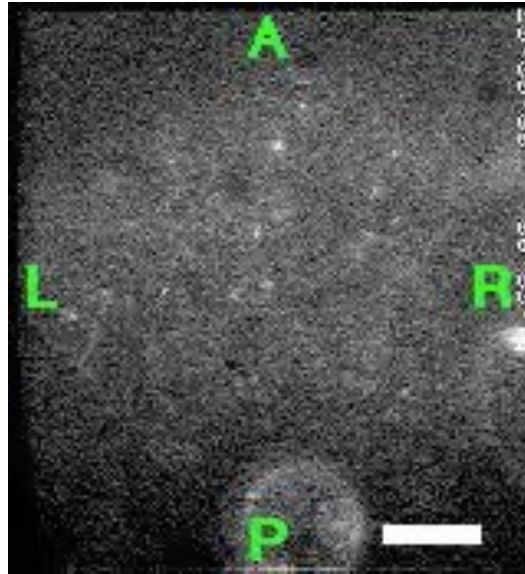
Cilia are on the surface of node cells

Human primitive node = L-R organizer



3 weeks

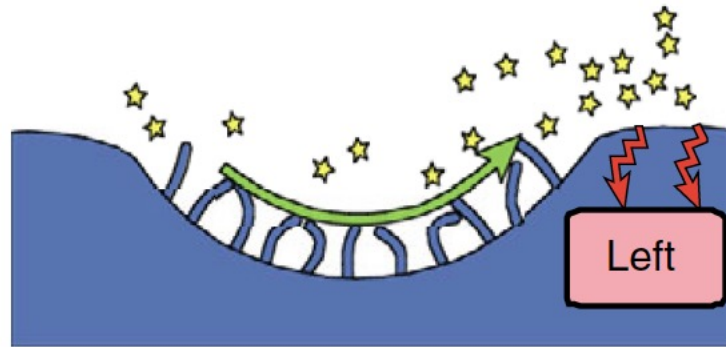
Node cilia generate a directional fluid flow towards the left



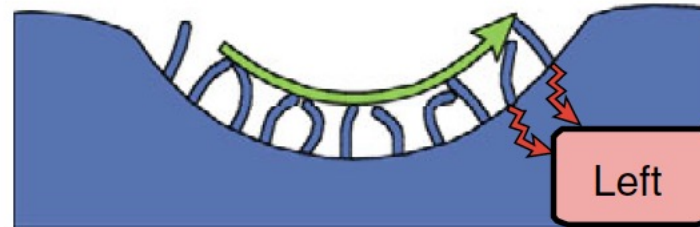
Nonaka et al. Cell (1998)






Mouse mutants with immotile, shorter or absent cilia have laterality defects

A Determinant molecule



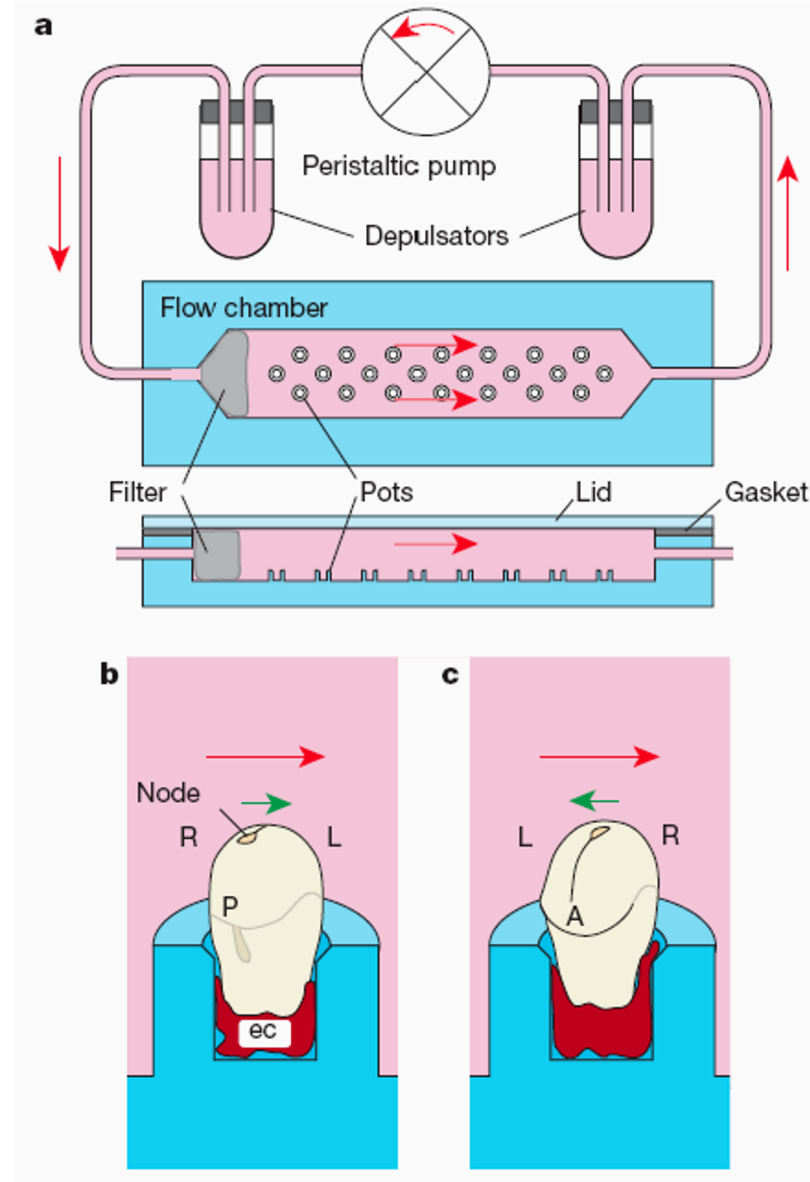
B Mechanical stress



-  Determinant molecule
-  Nodal flow
-  Cilium
-  Left-determinant signal, intra- or inter-cells
-  Generation of left side-specific character

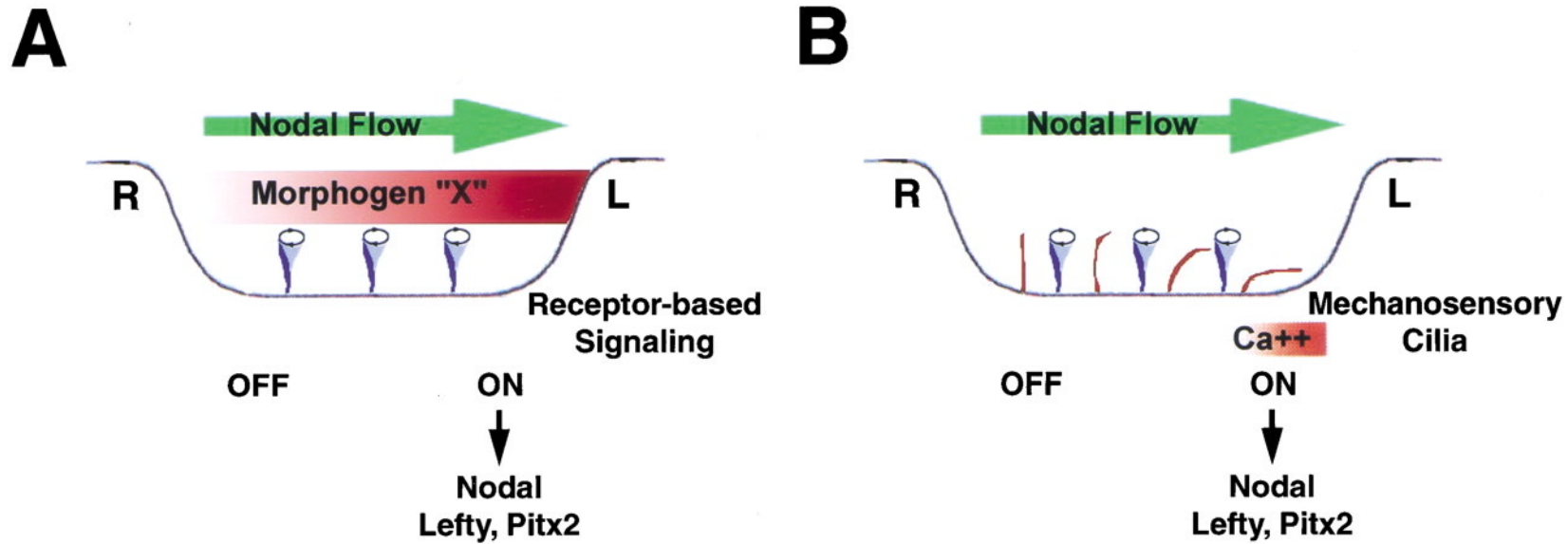
How could we test if the direction of fluid flow is important?

Testing the role of the nodal flow



(Nonaka *et al.* Nature 2002)

Alternative models of the proposed signaling events functioning downstream of nodal flow.

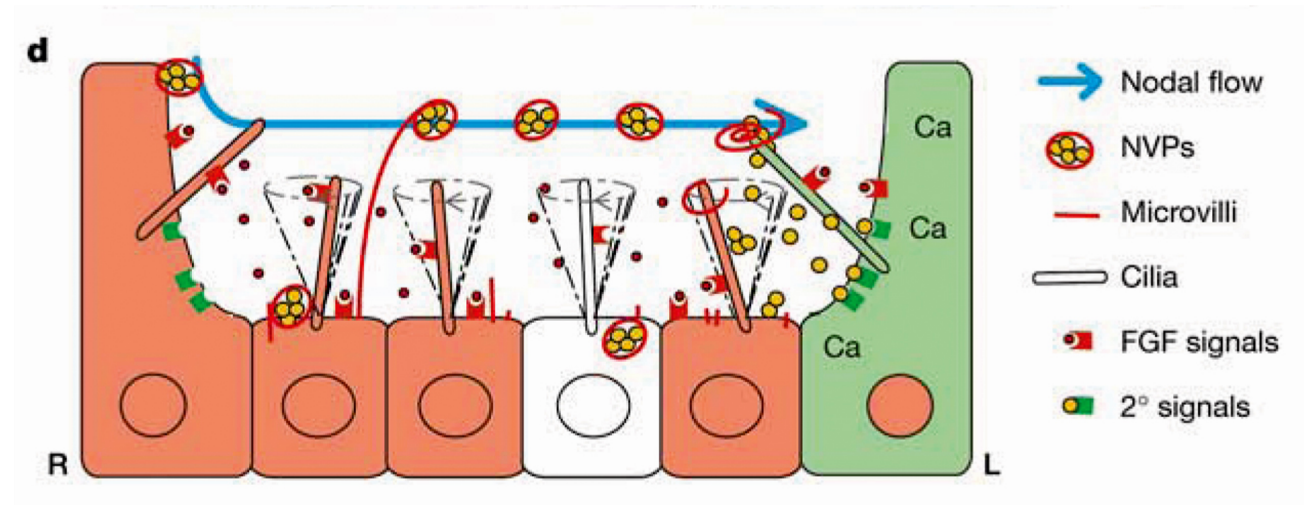


Clifford J. Tabin, and Kyle J. Vogan *Genes Dev.* 2003;17:1-6



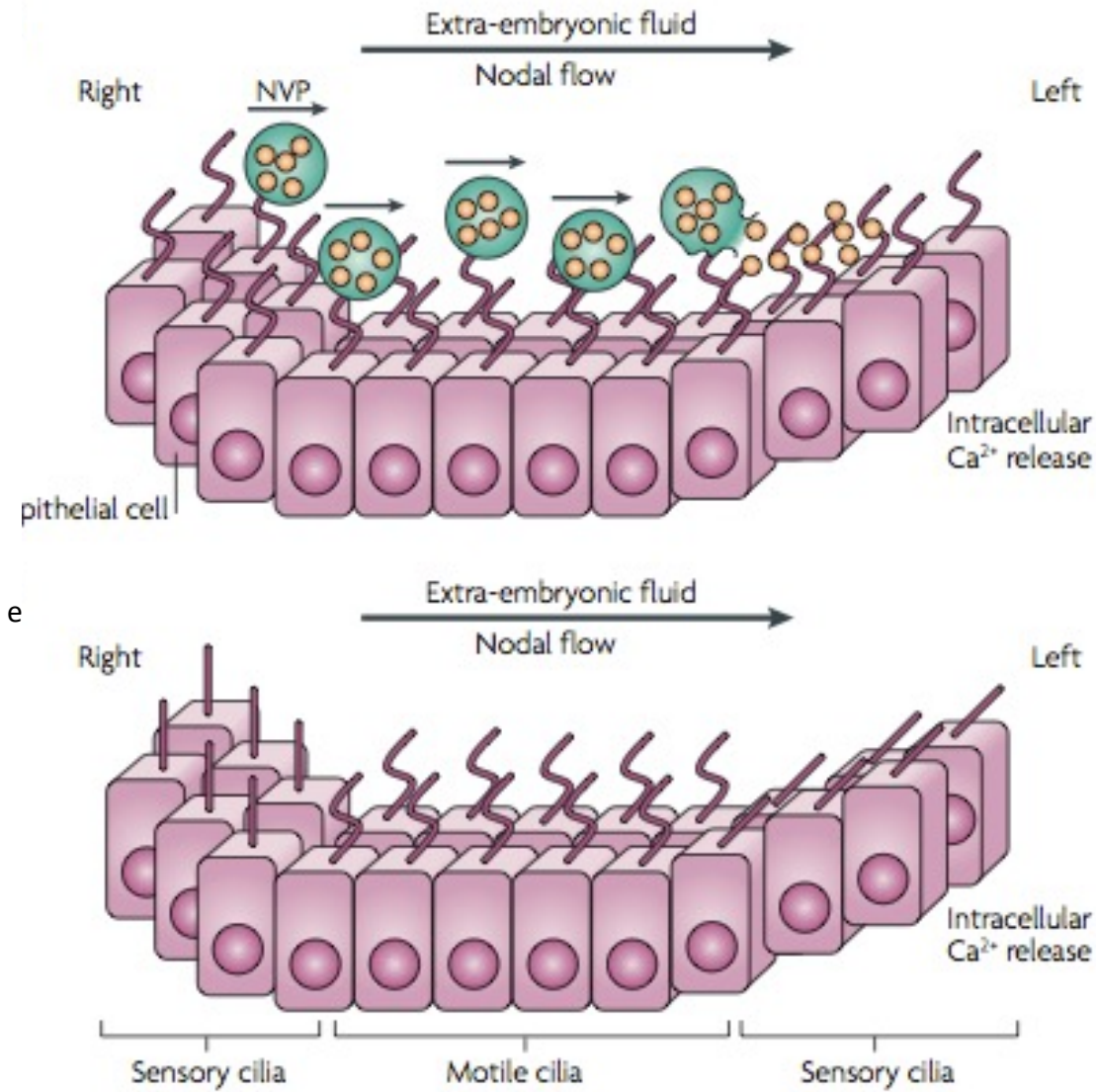
How does the Fluid Flow confer LR asymmetry?

“The updated morphogen model to NVP model”



Tanaka, Y., Okada, Y. and Hirokawa, N. (2005). FGF-induced vesicular release of Sonic hedgehog and retinoic acid in leftward nodal flow is critical for left-right determination. *Nature* 435, 172-177.

Are these two models compatible?



Physicists asked: How can rotating cilia generate a laminar flow?



The relevance of numerical simulations

Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A. 2004 May 11; 101(19): 7234–7239.

Published online 2004 Apr 26. doi: [10.1073/pnas.0402001101](https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.0402001101)

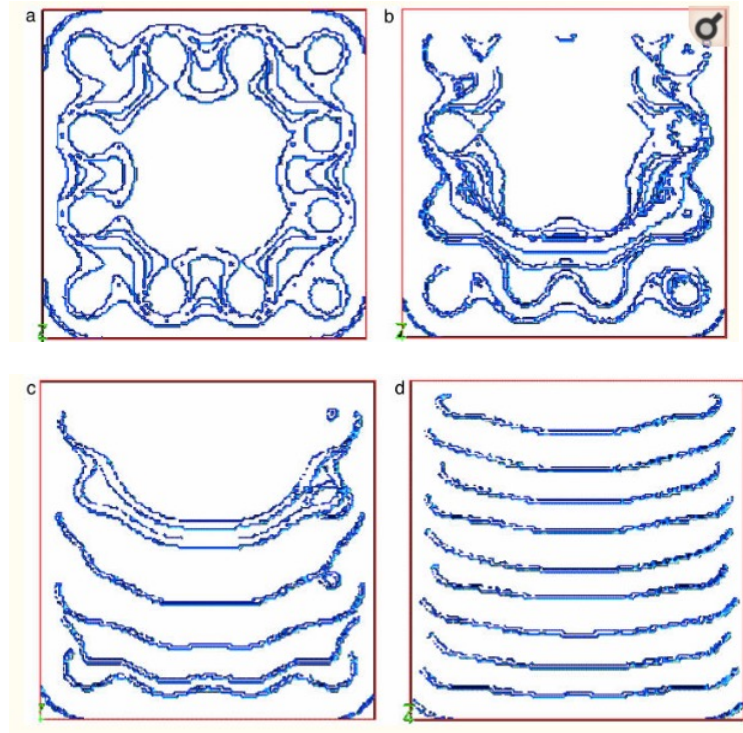
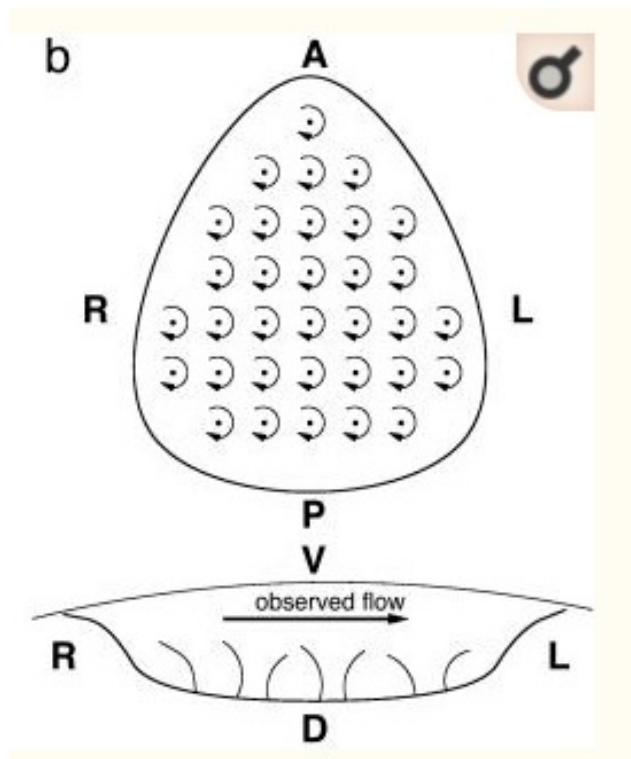
Developmental Biology, Physics

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Fluid-dynamical basis of the embryonic development of left-right asymmetry in vertebrates

[Julyan H. E. Cartwright](#),^{*†} [Oreste Piro](#),^{‡†} and [Idan Tuval](#)^{††}



Biologists confirmed cilia were tilted

PLoS Biol. 2005 Aug; 3(8): e268.

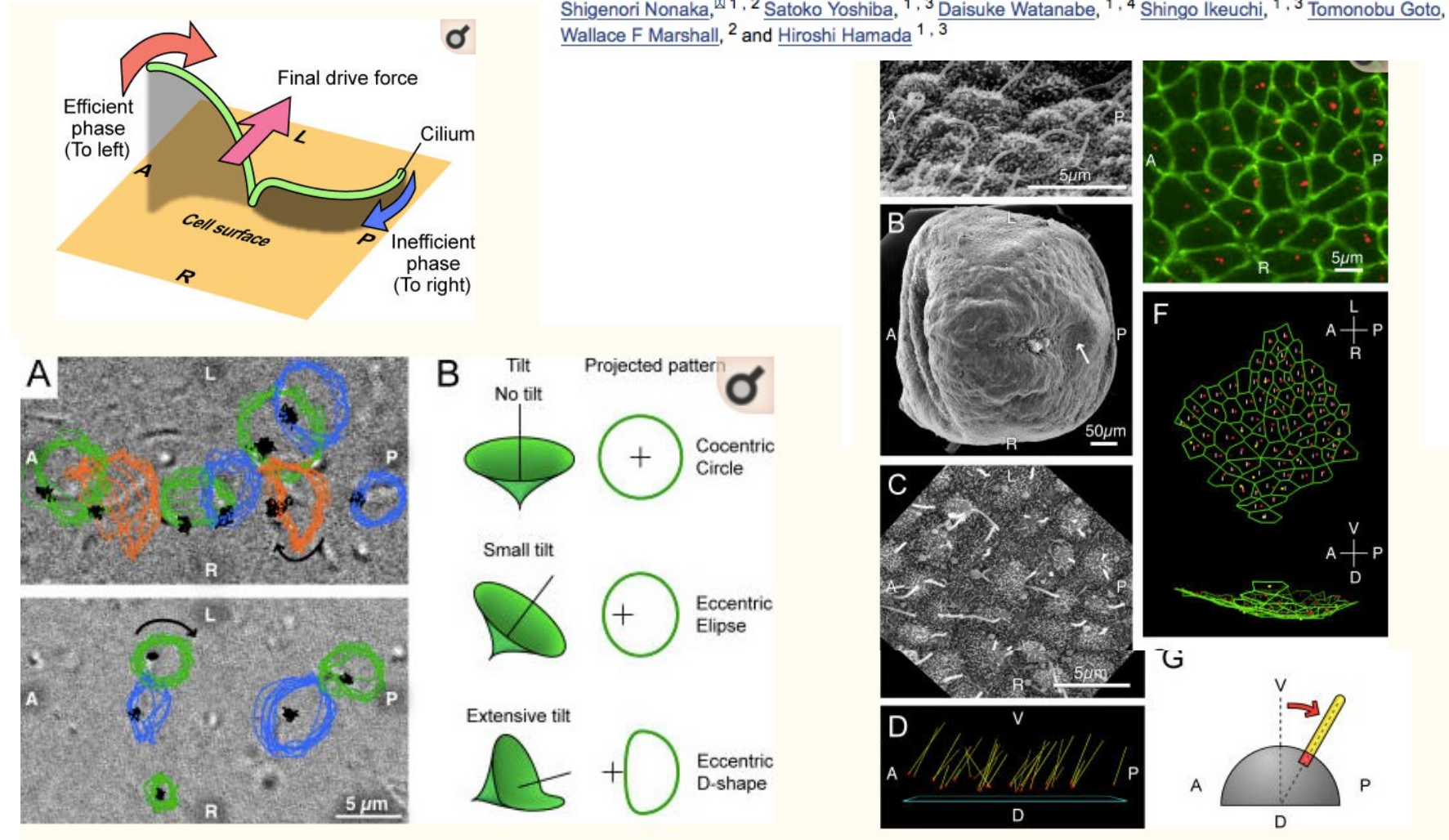
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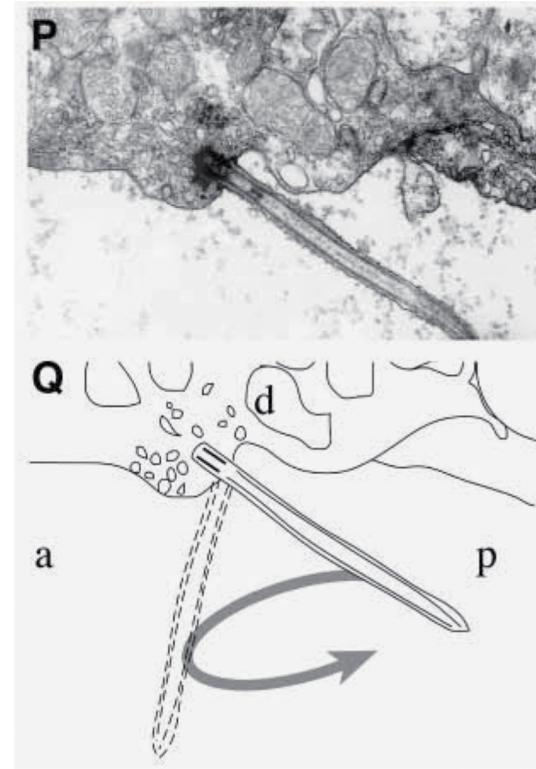
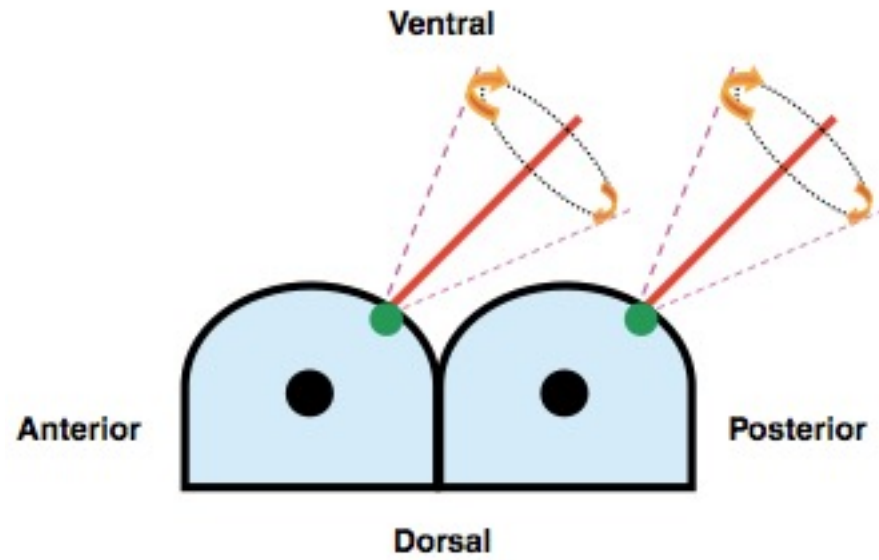
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De Novo Formation of Left-Right Asymmetry by Posterior Tilt of Nodal Cilia

Shigenori Nonaka,^{1,2} Satoko Yoshida,^{1,3} Daisuke Watanabe,^{1,4} Shingo Ikeuchi,^{1,3} Tomonobu Goto,⁵ Wallace F Marshall,² and Hiroshi Hamada^{1,3}



Zebrafish LRO cilia also have a posterior tilt



Kramer-Zucker *et al.*, *Development* (2005)

Polarity of the epithelial cells - planar cell polarity

Physicists asked: How can NVPs be thrown and explode at low Reynolds number ?

$$Re = \frac{\rho u L}{\mu}$$

Re = reynolds number

ρ = density of the fluid

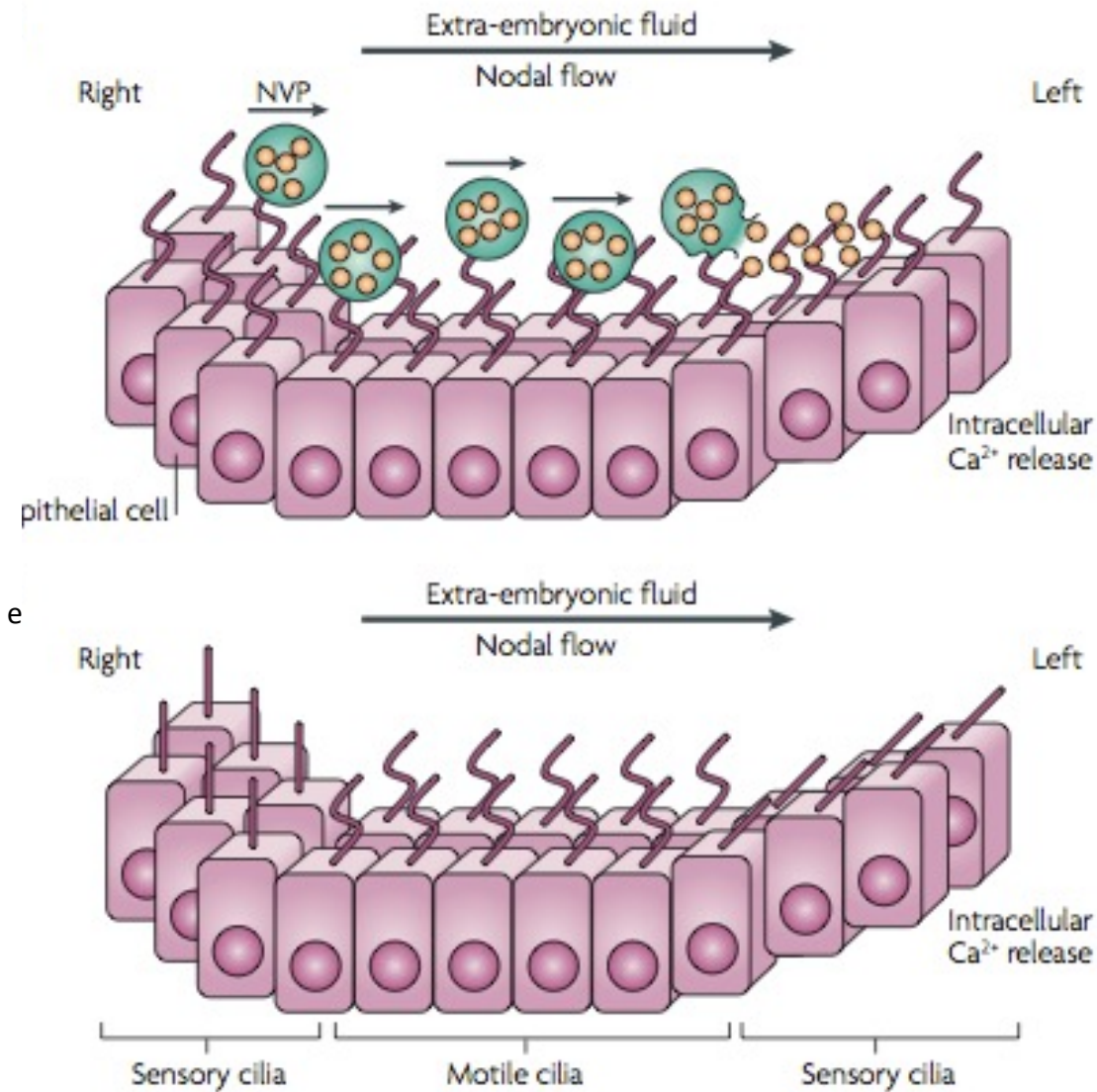
u = flow speed

L = characteristic linear dimension

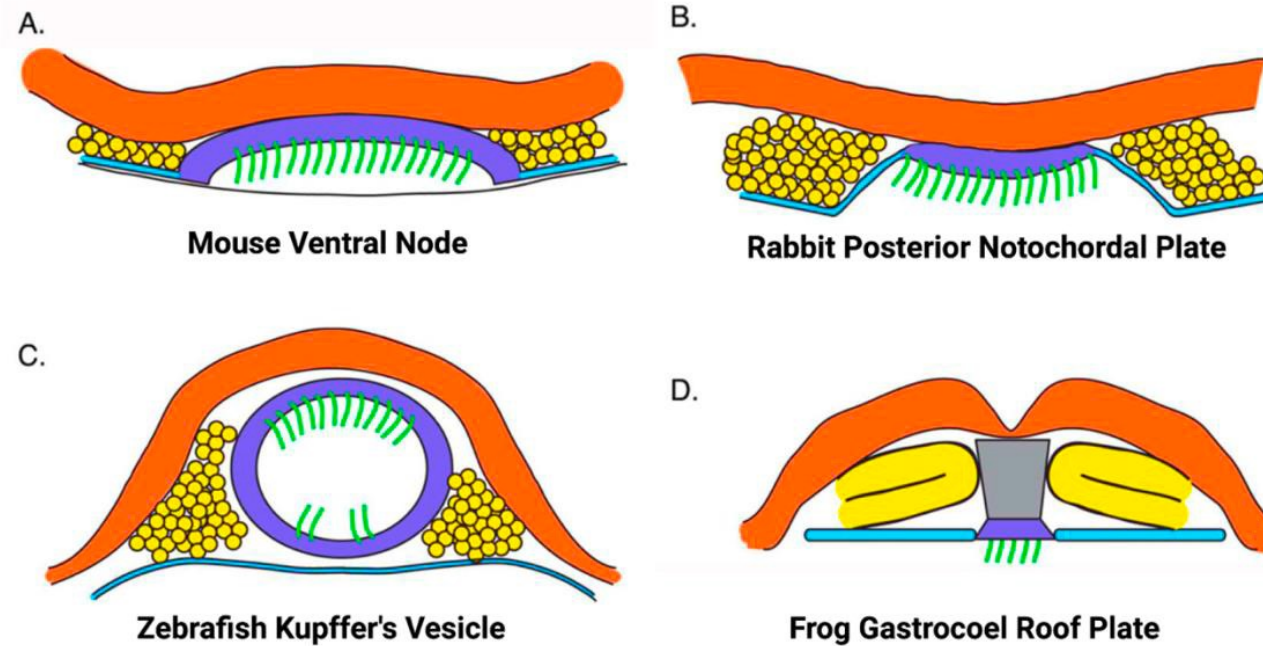
μ = dynamic viscosity of the fluid

laminar flow occurs at low Reynolds numbers, where viscous forces are dominant, and is characterized by smooth, constant fluid motion.

Problem for the 1st model

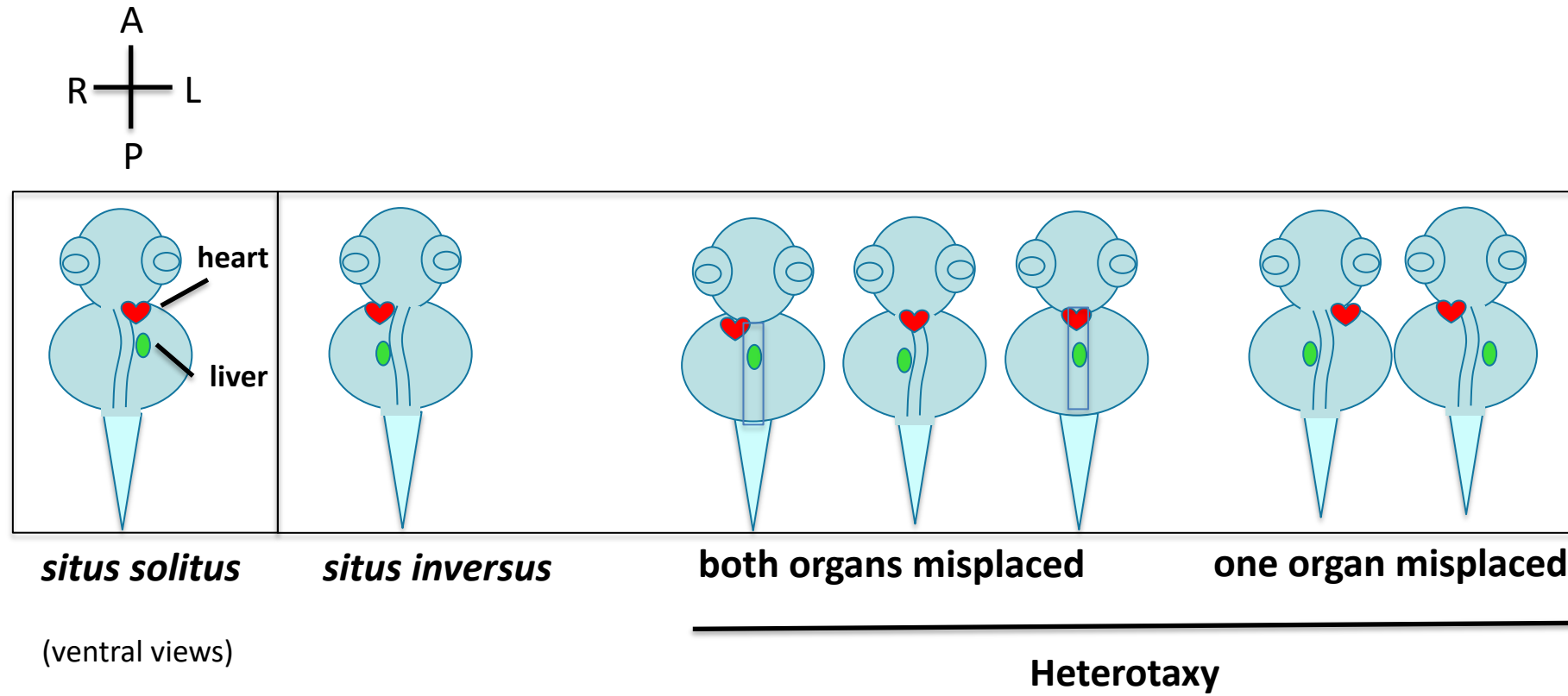


Morphological diversity in left-right organizers amongst vertebrate species



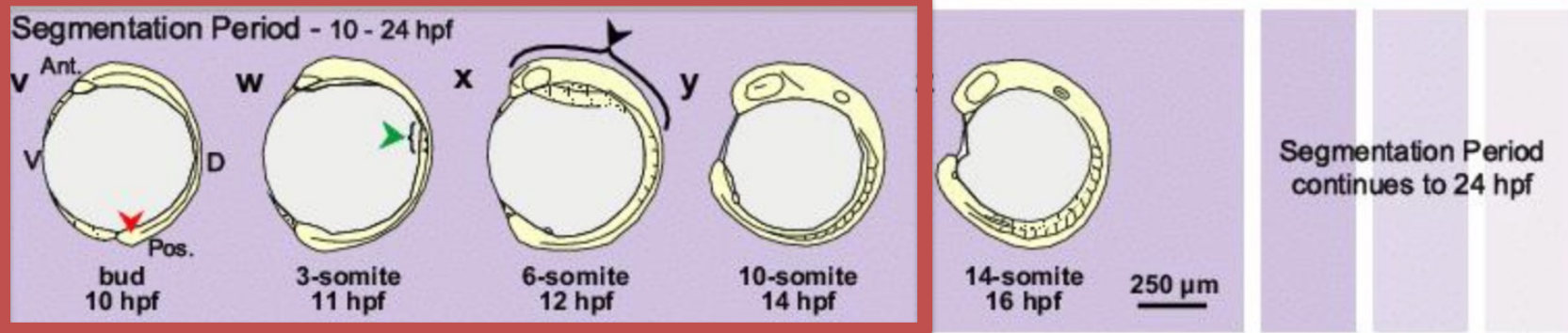
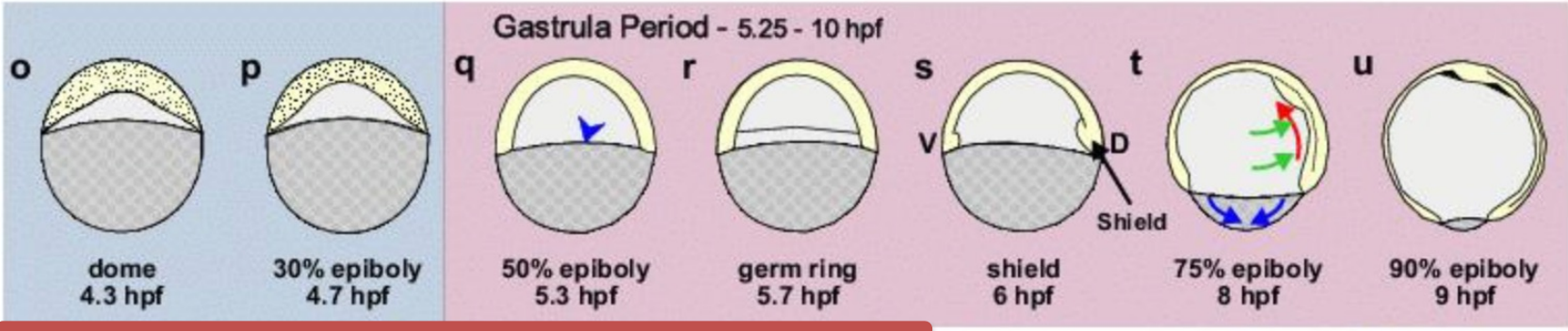
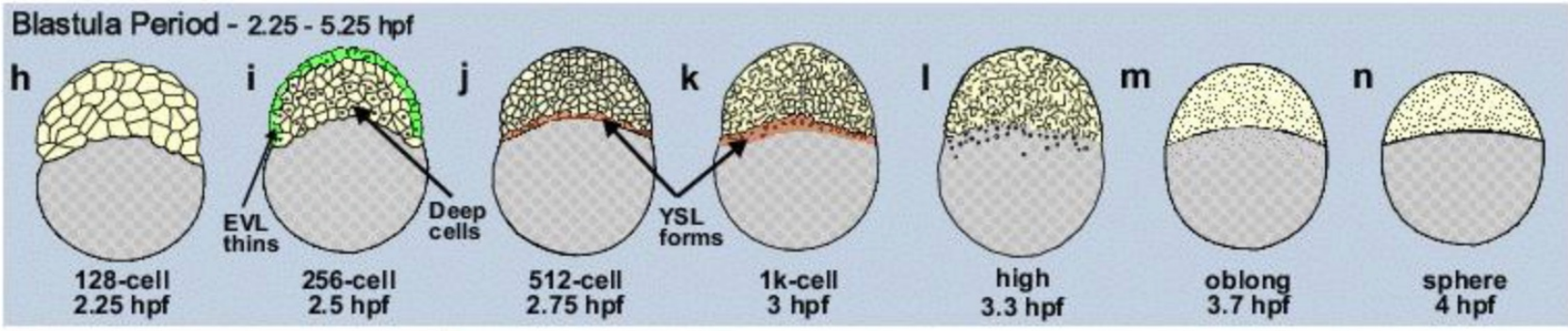
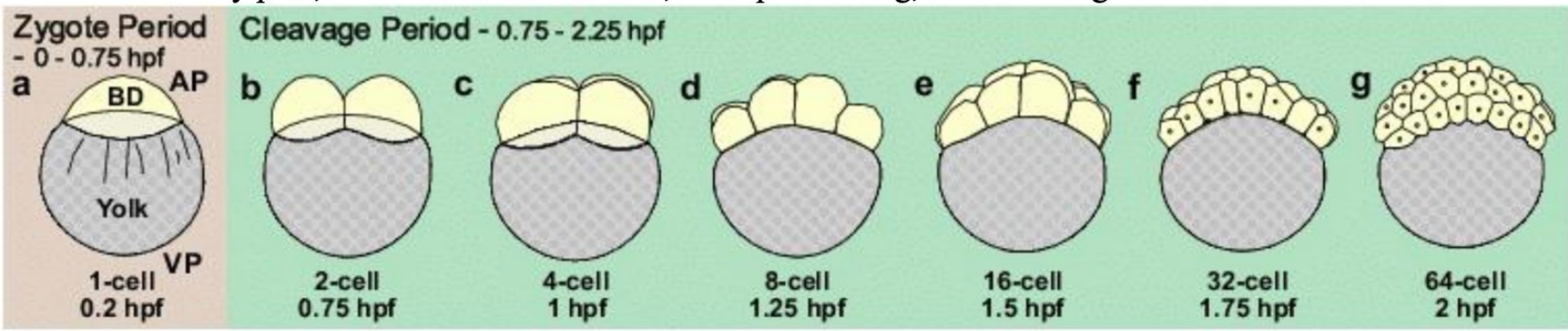
Transverse view, dorsal is up. Ectoderm is orange, paraxial mesoderm is yellow, endoderm/hypoblast is blue, left-right organizer (LRO) is purple, and cilia within the LRO are green. (A) The mouse ventral node and (B) the rabbit posterior notochordal plate are situated beneath the ectoderm and are laterally contiguous with the endoderm. Unlike in rabbit, the ventral pit of the mouse node is enclosed by Reichardt's membrane. (C) Zebrafish Kupffer's vesicle is an enclosed sphere with cilia concentrated on the dorsal anterior surface. (D) The *Xenopus* gastrocoel roof plate is contiguous with the lateral endoderm, and cilia point into the gastrocoel cavity. Panels are not size-matched. Figure and description adapted from (Lee & Anderson, 2008a).

Organ laterality is also affected in zebrafish laterality mutants

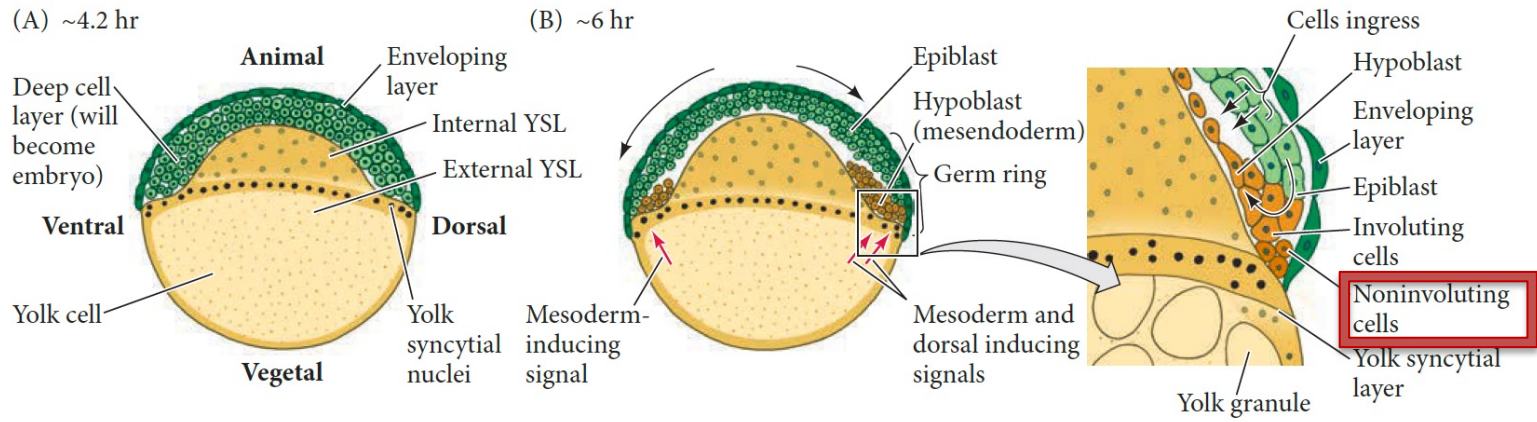


Zebrafish is ideal to study left-right development

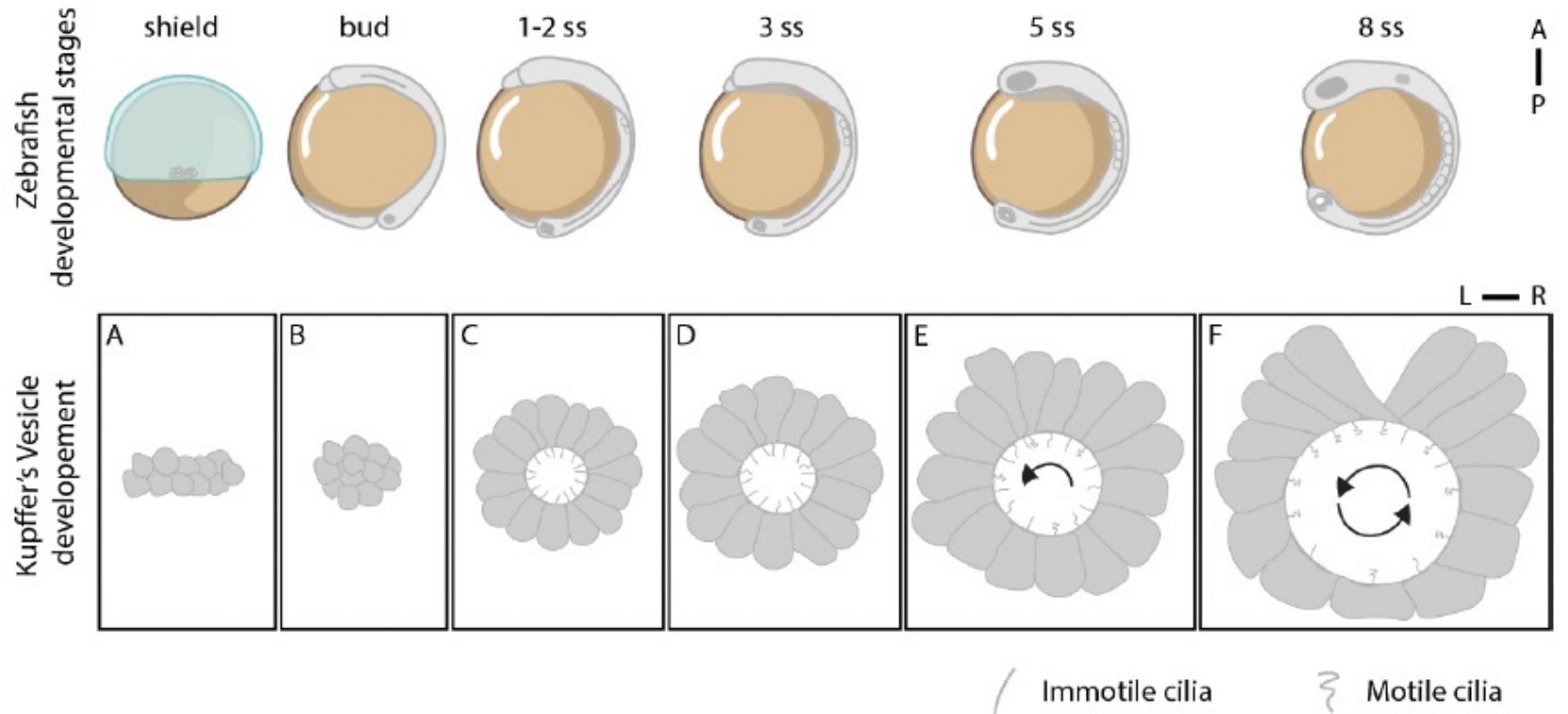




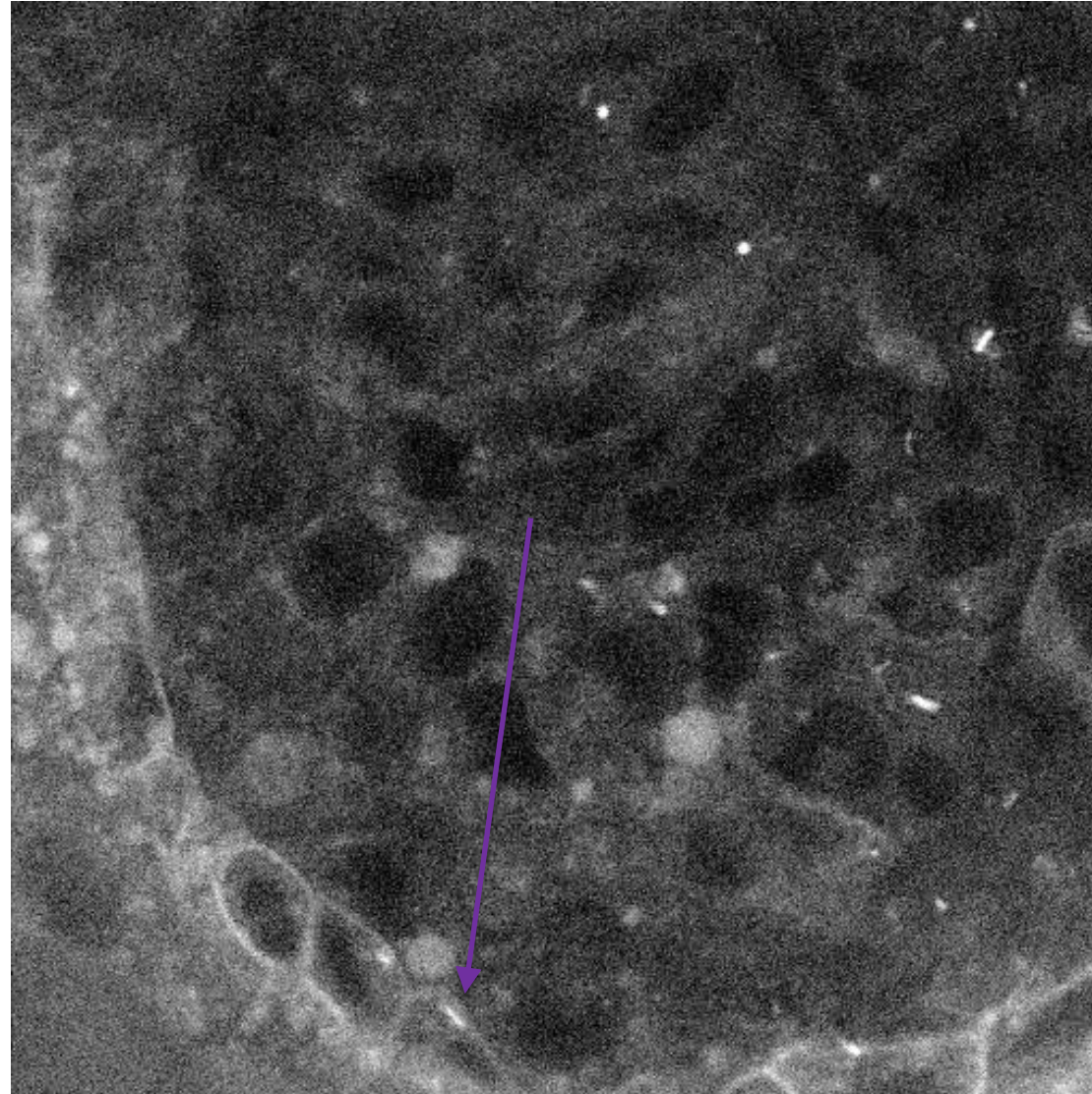
LRO development →



Non-involting cells give rise to the Kupffer's vesicle (the fish left-right organizer).

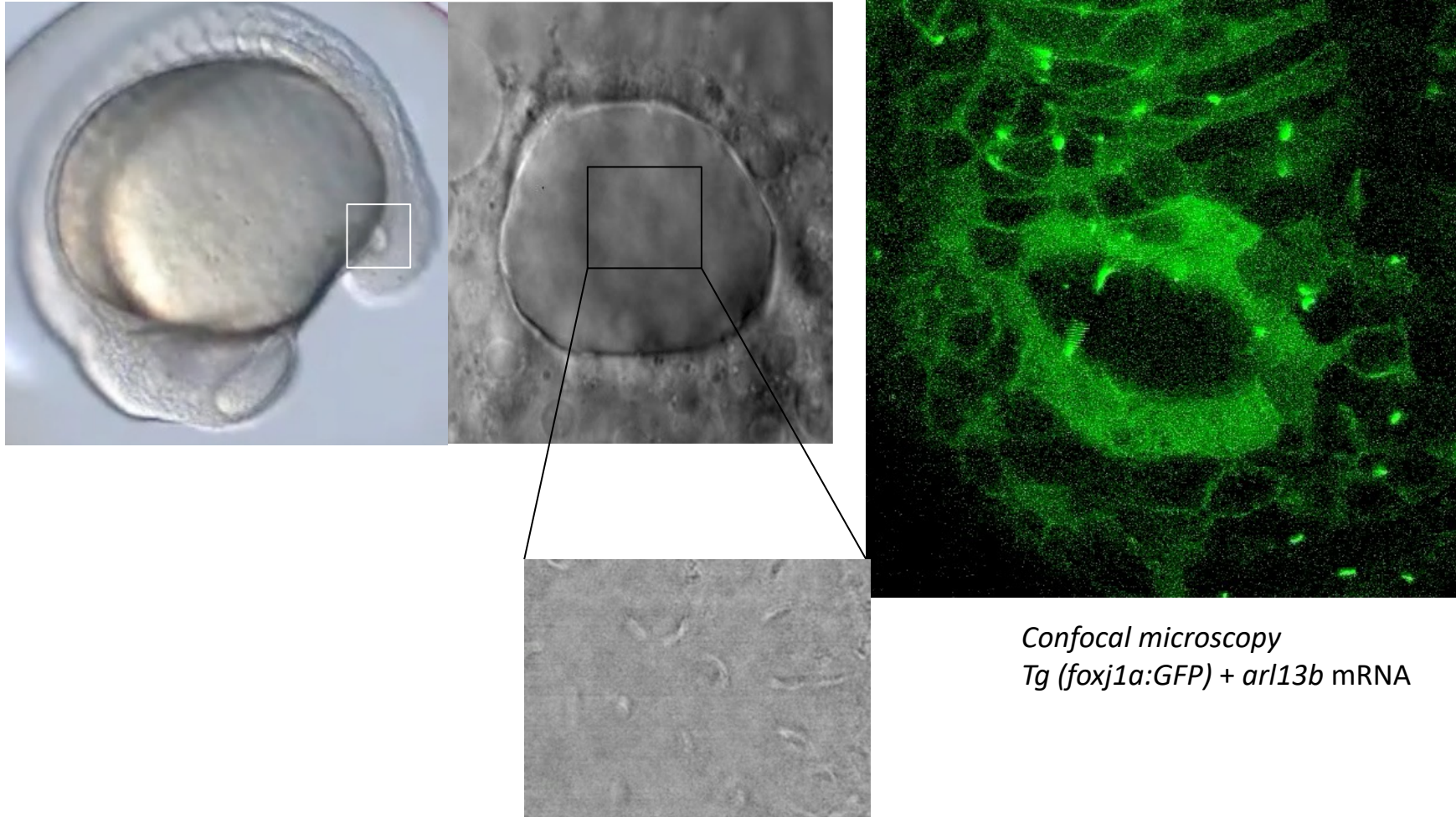


The zebrafish LR organizer has 2 types of cilia



Standing Question!

The zebrafish embryo is transparent allowing non-invasive live imaging of the left-right organizer

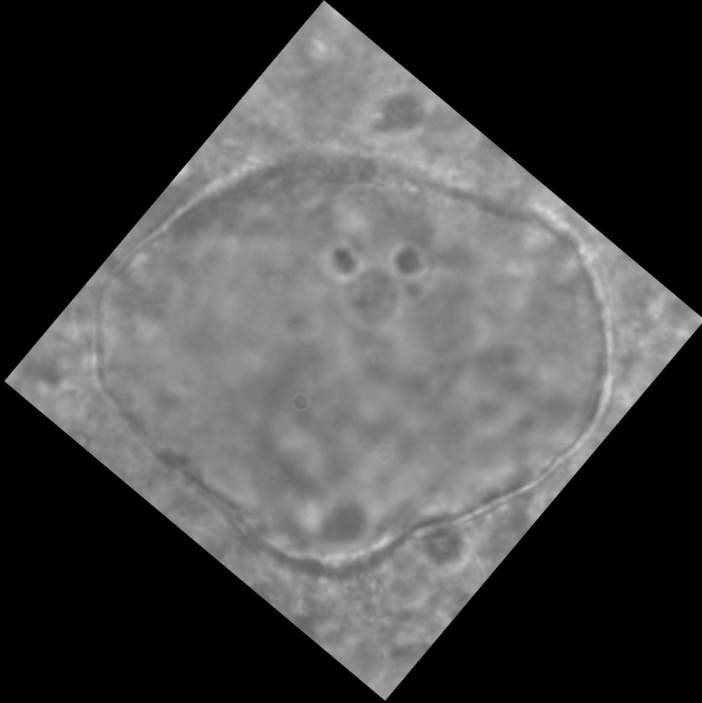


Confocal microscopy
Tg (foxj1a:GFP) + arl13b mRNA

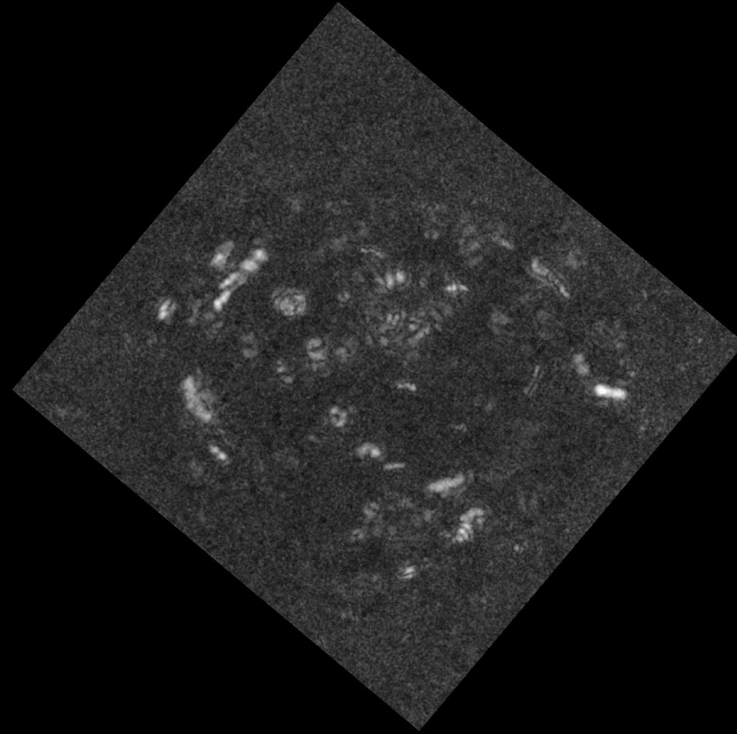
High speed video-microscopy
(2000 fps)

Motile cilia also generate flow in the zebrafish LRO

Light microscopy

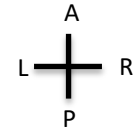
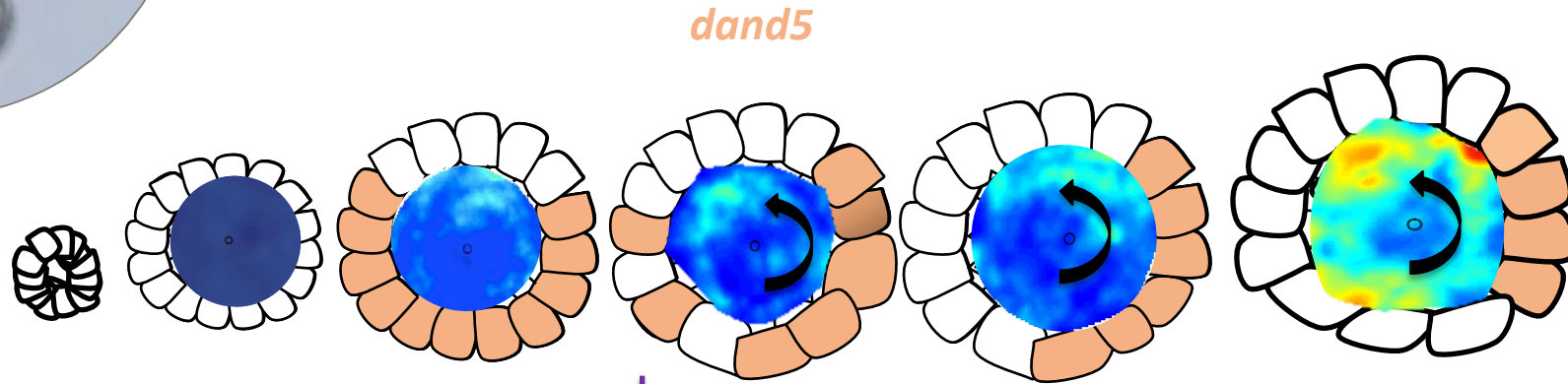
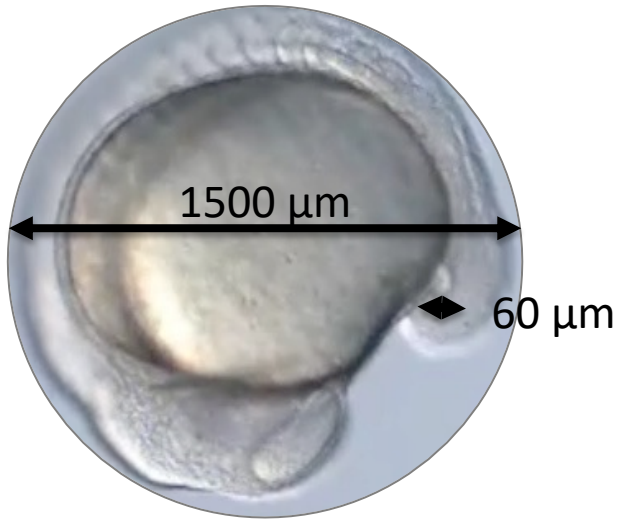


Native particles

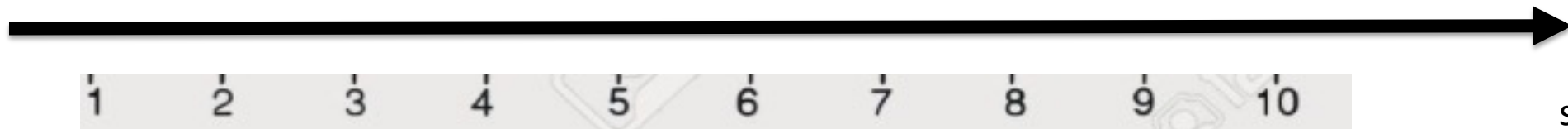


Native particle tracking

dand5 is the first asymmetric gene expressed in the left-right organizer

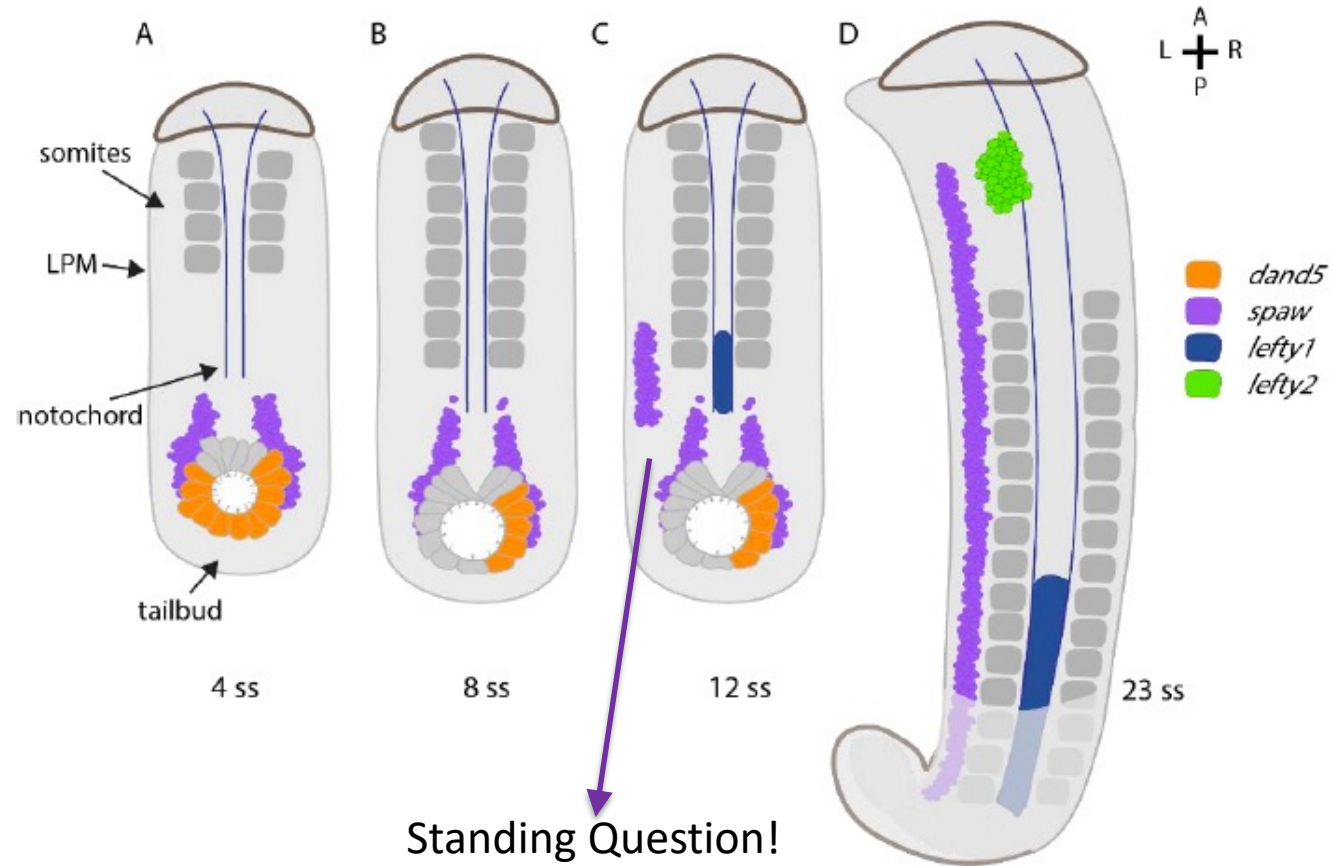


Standing Question!



somite stages

The conserved L-R Asymmetry cascade



spaw=nodal

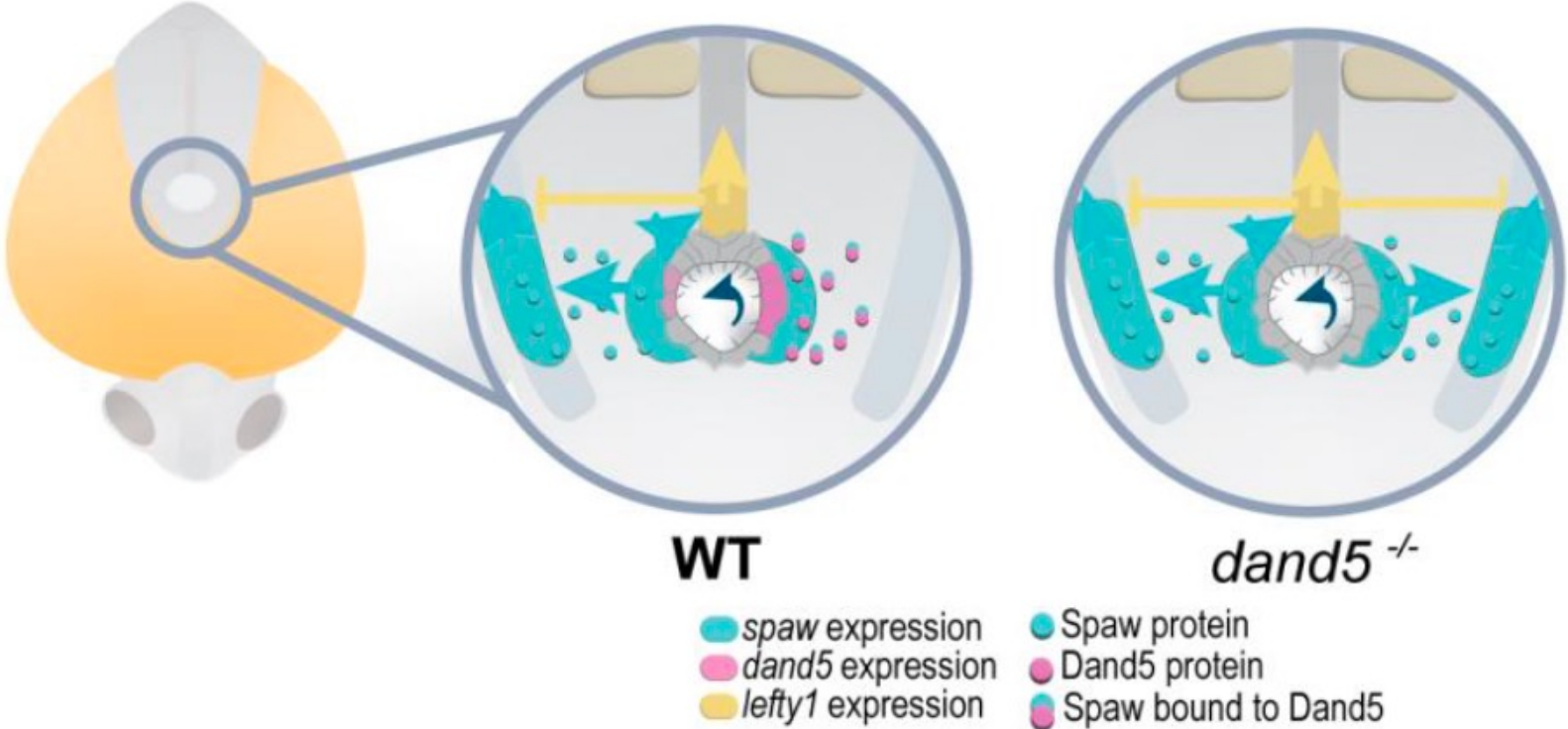
Nodal = secreted ligand of the TGF-beta (transforming growth factor-beta) superfamily of proteins. Ligands of this family bind various TGF-beta receptors leading to recruitment and activation of SMAD family transcription factors that regulate gene expression.

Lefty1 = secreted ligand of the TGF-beta (transforming growth factor-beta) superfamily of proteins. Expressed in the notochord as mRNA.

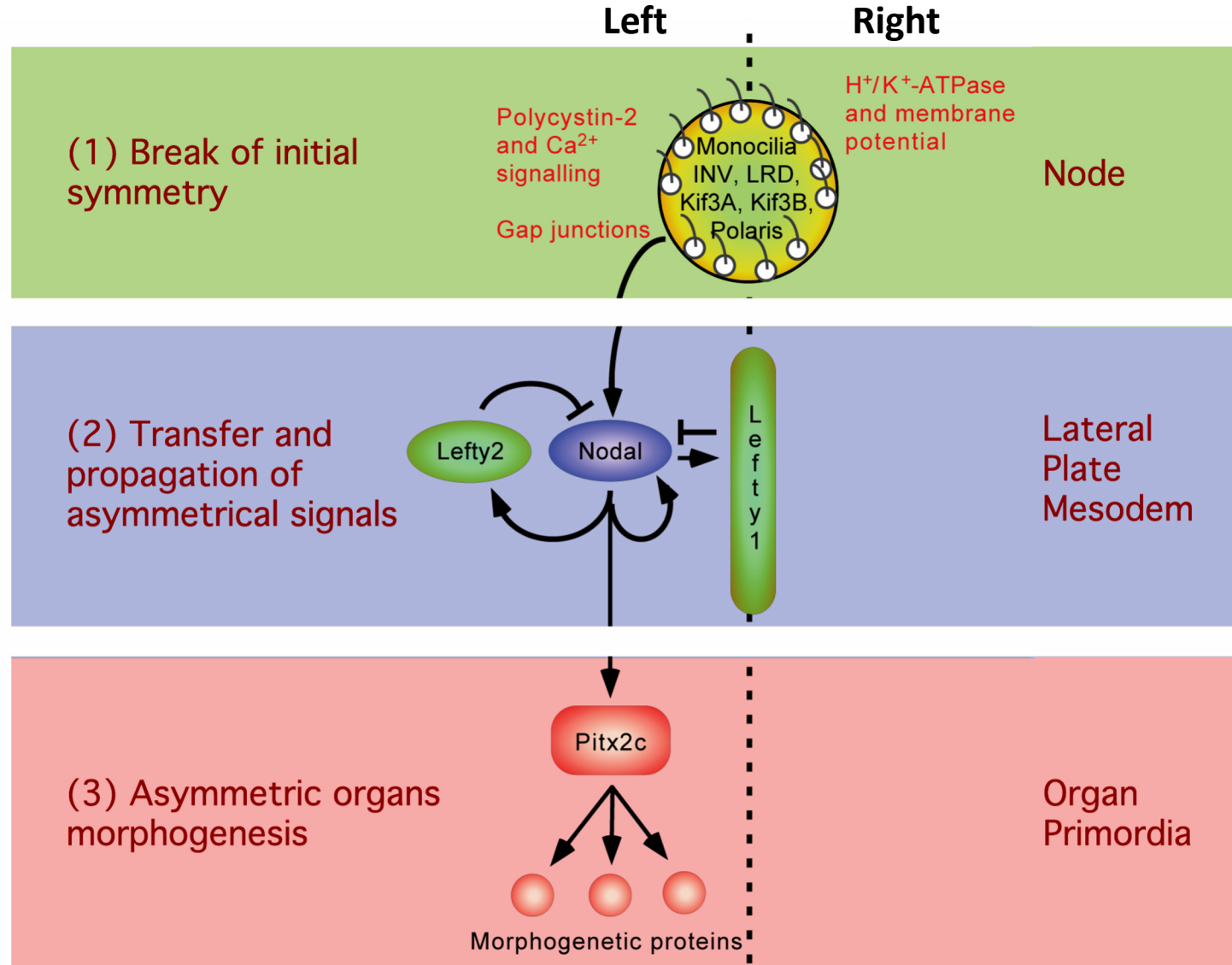
Lefty2 = secreted ligand of the TGF-beta (transforming growth factor-beta) superfamily of proteins. Expressed in the heart field as mRNA.

Dand5 = secreted protein antagonist of BMP and Nodal. Expressed in the Left-Right organizer as mRNA.

Dand5 inhibits Spaw on the right side of the LRO



The conserved L-R Asymmetry cascade



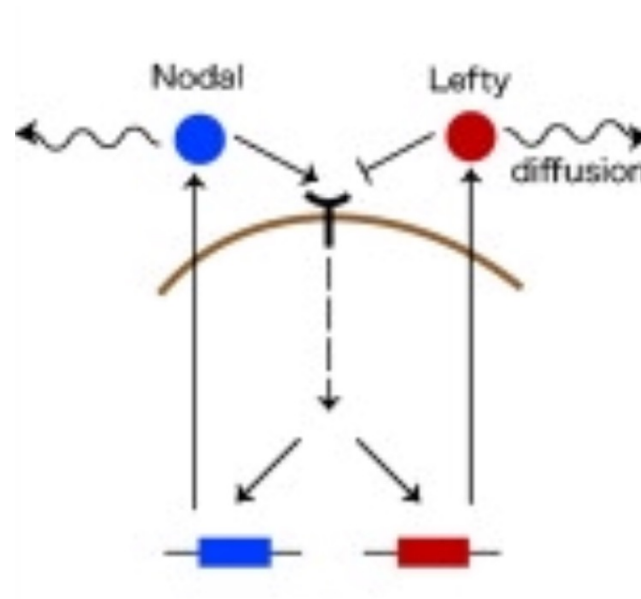
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The SELI system

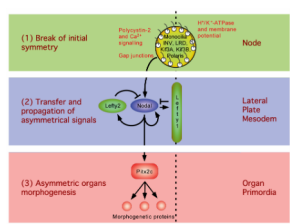
Nodal and Lefty constitute a reaction-diffusion system, a theoretical model that involves two diffusible molecules, an activator and a feedback inhibitor ([Turing, 1952](#)).

A reaction-diffusion system has been proposed to underlie pattern formation during development because a “self-enhancement and lateral-inhibition” nature of the model can produce “self-organizing patterns” ([Meinhardt and Gierer, 2000](#), [Meinhardt, 2001](#)).

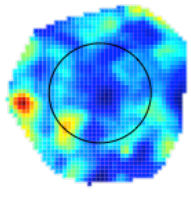
Importantly, this model has a potential to convert a small difference between two separated regions into a robust difference through **local activation and long-range inhibition**.



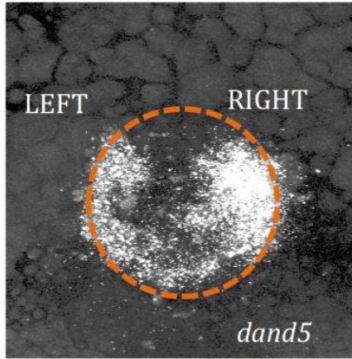
The conserved L-R sequence of events



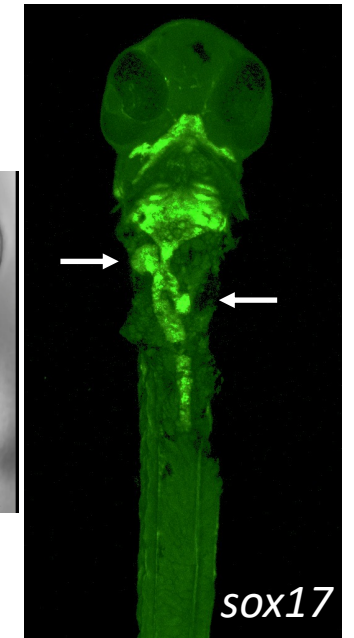
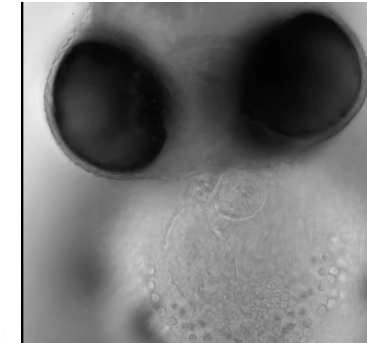
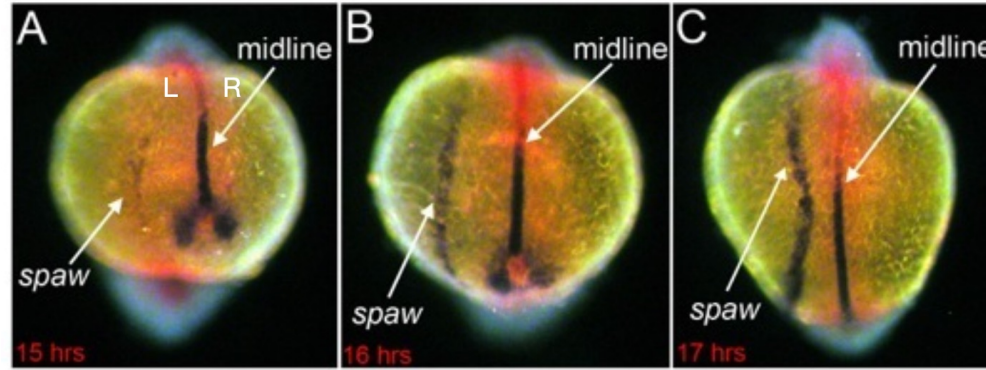
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Asymmetric flow



Asymmetric *dand5* gene expression



sox17

LR organizer (LRO)

10 hrs

12 hrs

Lateral Plate Mesoderm (LPM)

14 hrs

16 hrs

20 hrs

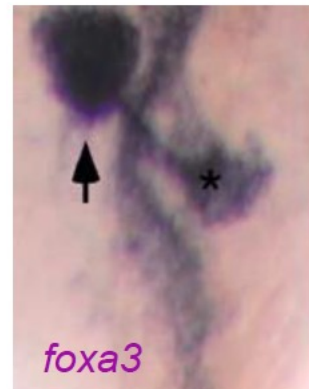
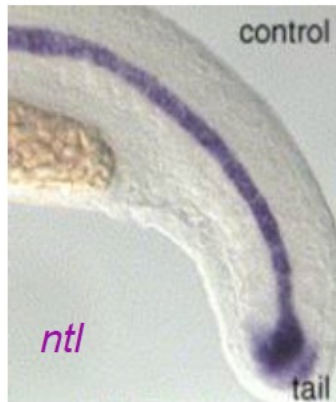
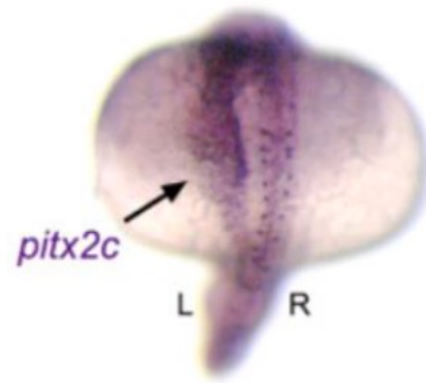
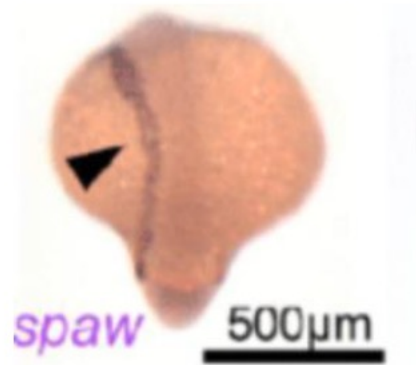
Heart

27 hrs

Liver and Pancreas

40 hrs

The conserved L-R sequence of events *by in situ* hybridization



The heart looping



The gut asymmetric organs

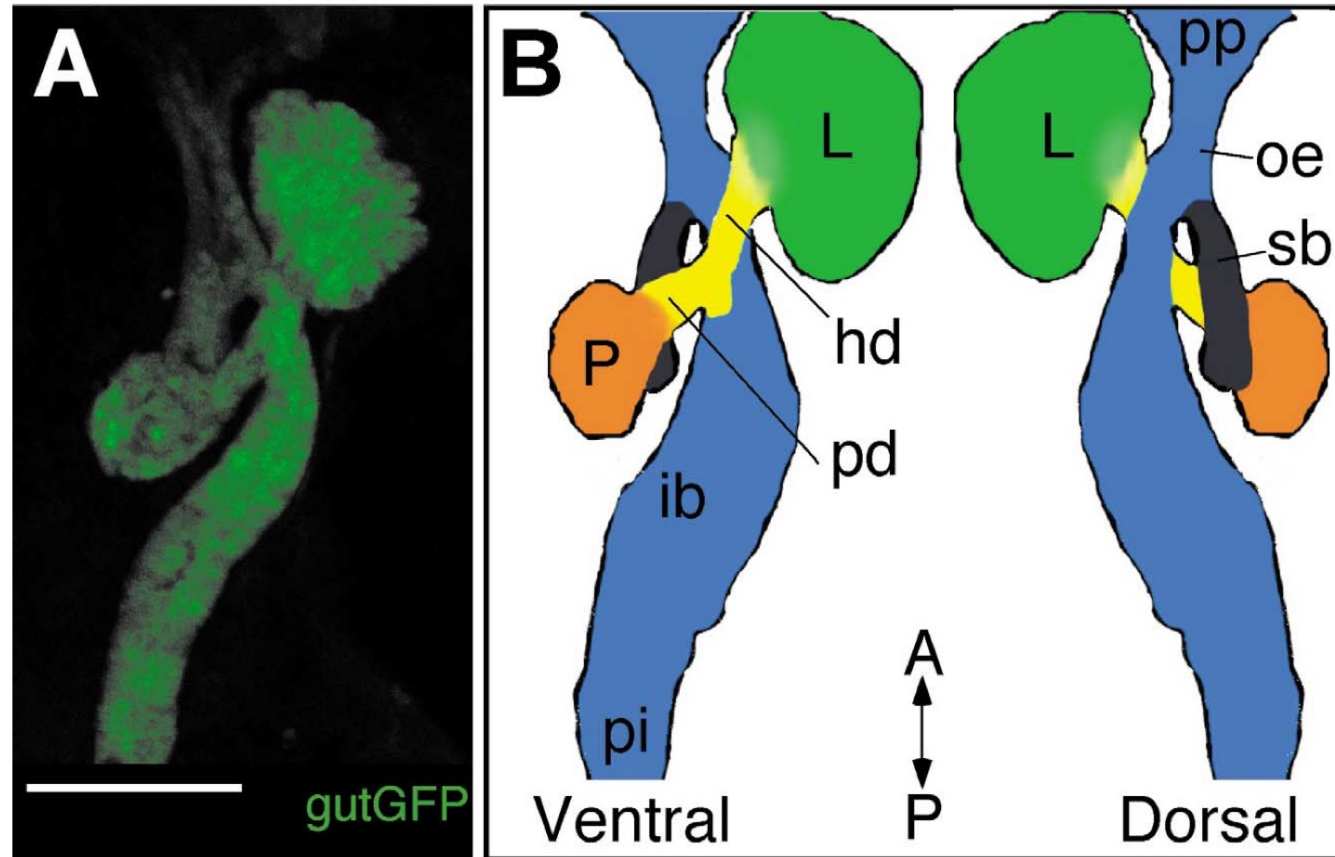


Fig. 1. The 52-hpf zebrafish digestive system as visualized in the stable transgenic gutGFP line. (A) Two-dimensional projection of a confocal stack, ventral view with anterior to the top. GFP expression occurs in all organs of the digestive system as well as the endodermal lining of the swim bladder. Scale bar, 100 μ m. (B) Schematic drawings (ventral and dorsal views, anterior to the top) showing the identity and location of GFP-expressing organs at 52 hpf. L, liver; hd, hepatic duct; pd, pancreatic duct; P, pancreas; ib, intestinal bulb; pi, posterior intestine; pp, posterior region of the pharynx; oe, oesophagus; sb, swim bladder.