

# RESPIRATORY SYSTEM (II)

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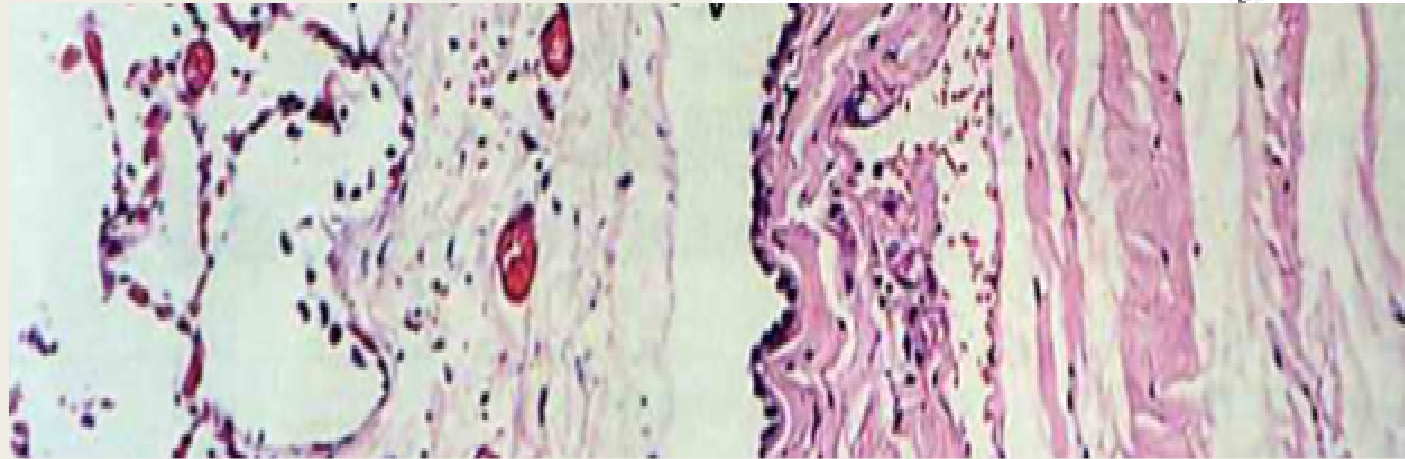
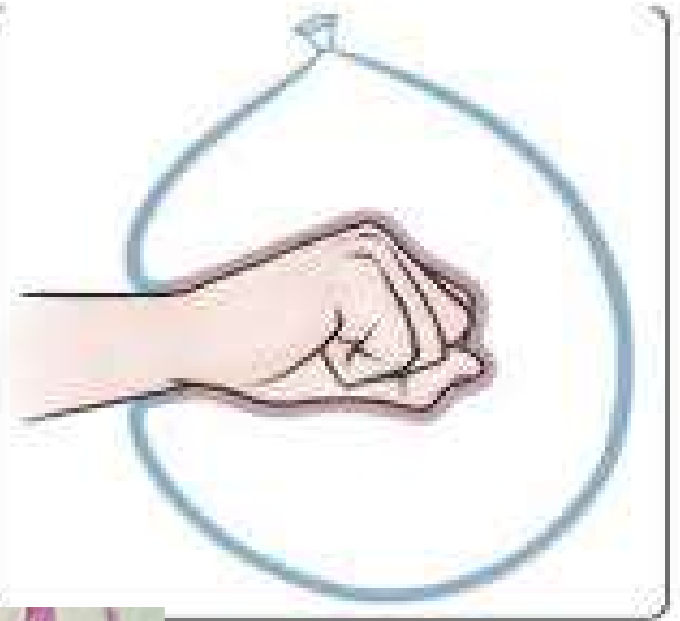
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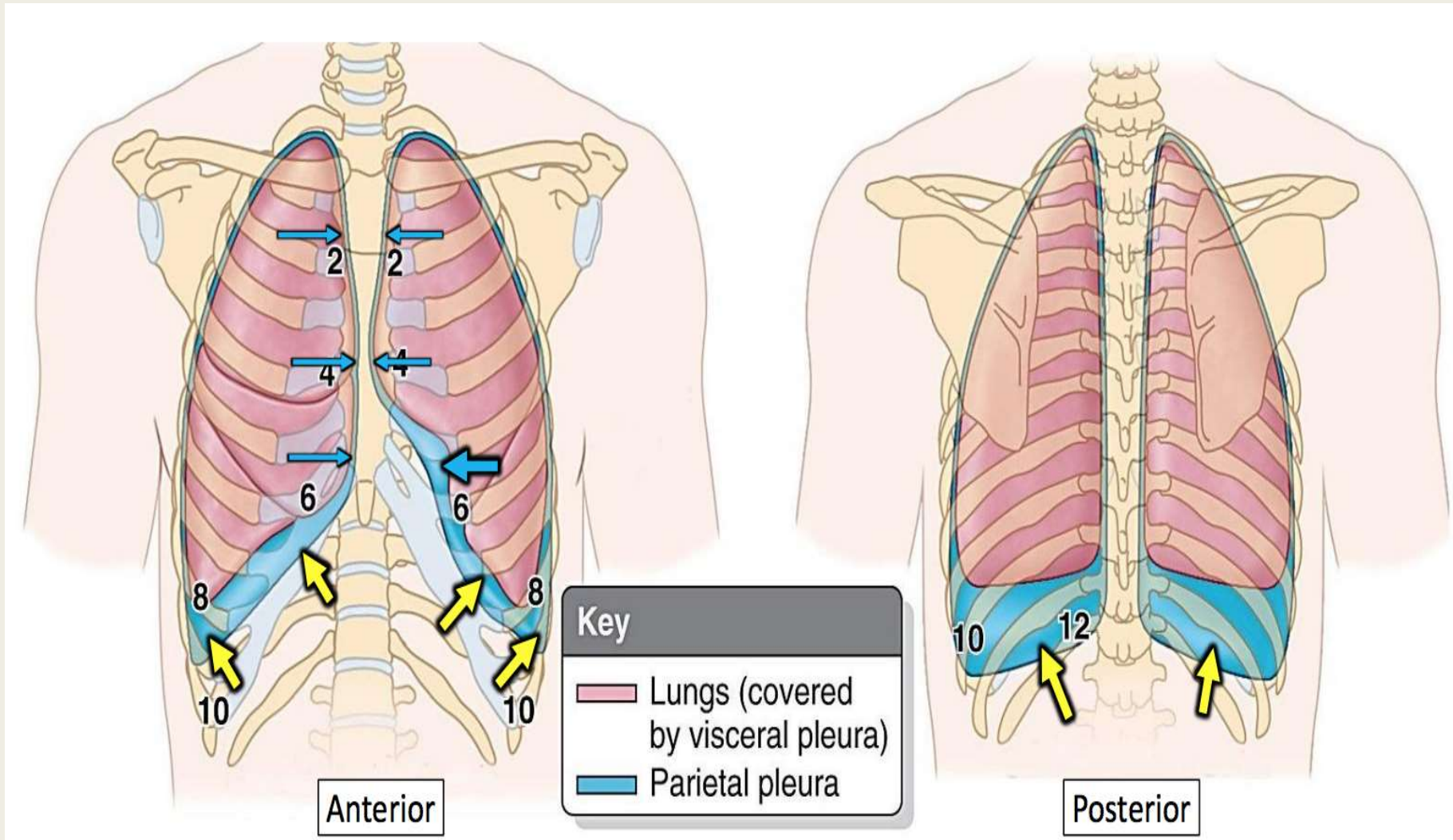


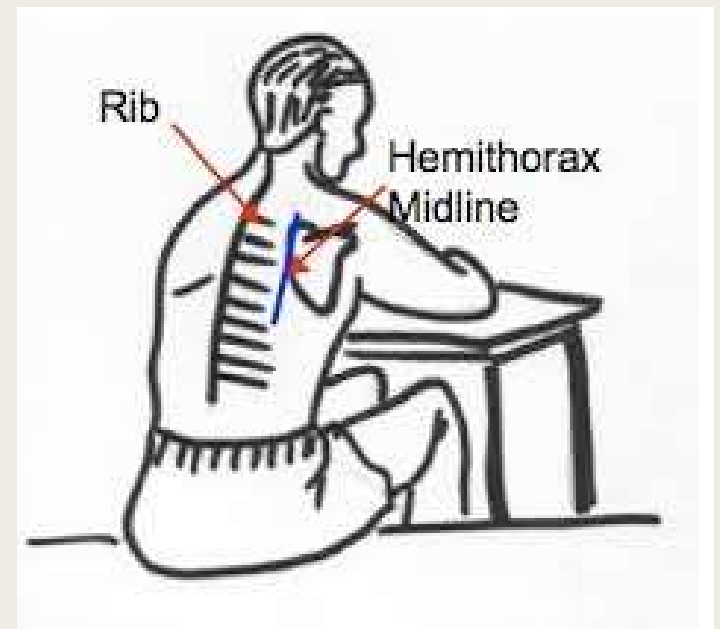
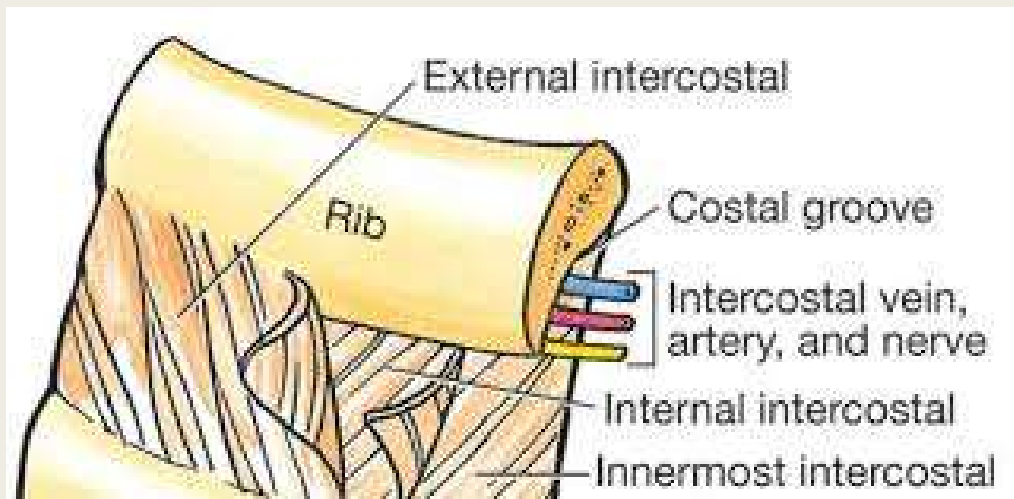
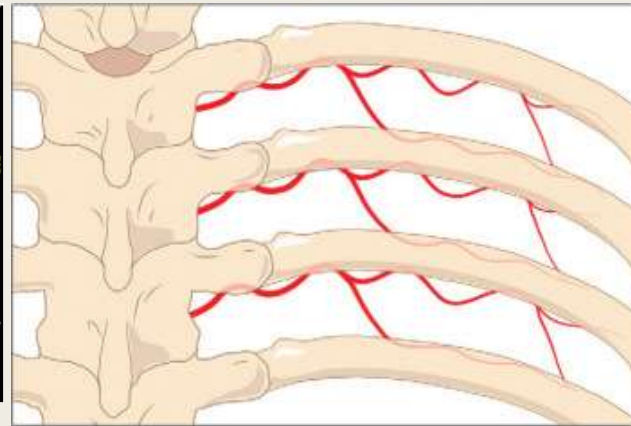
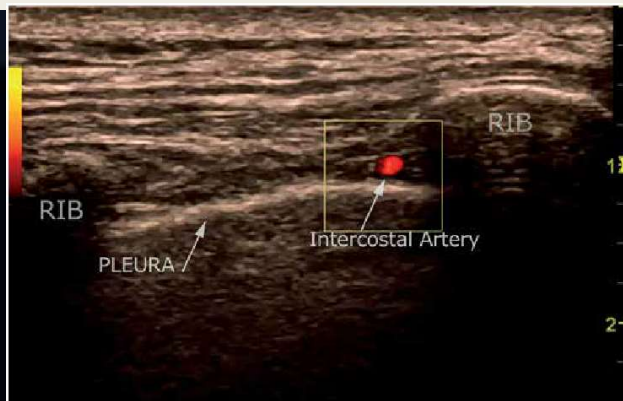


### Pleura

- Visceral
- Parietal







# Pleural space

increases in pleural fluid production cause fluid collections (effusions) in the pleural space

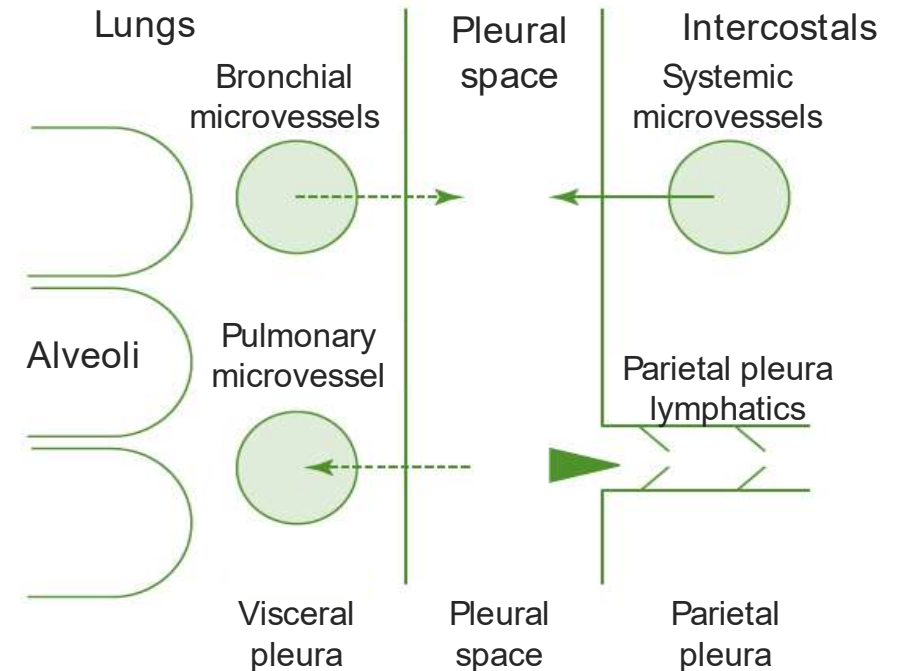
## Pleural Fluid Sources and Drainage

Pleural space contains a minimal amount of fluid

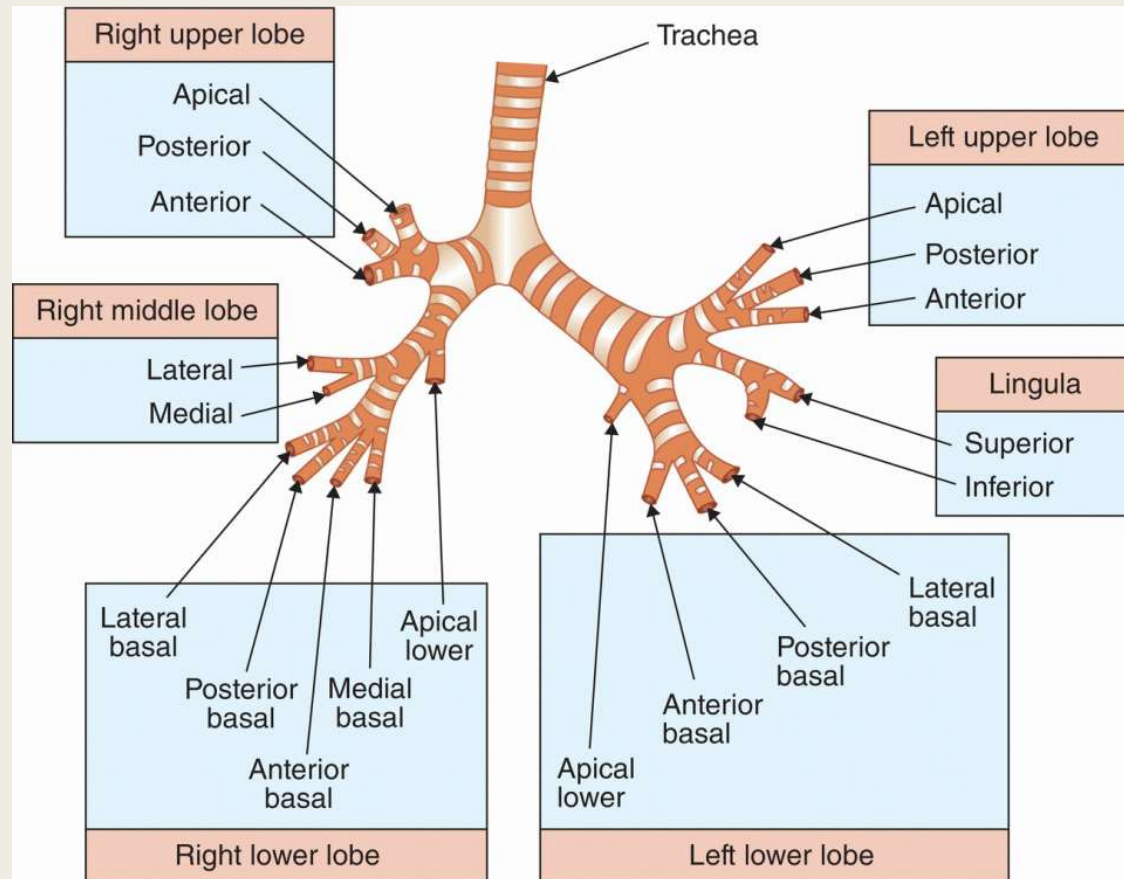
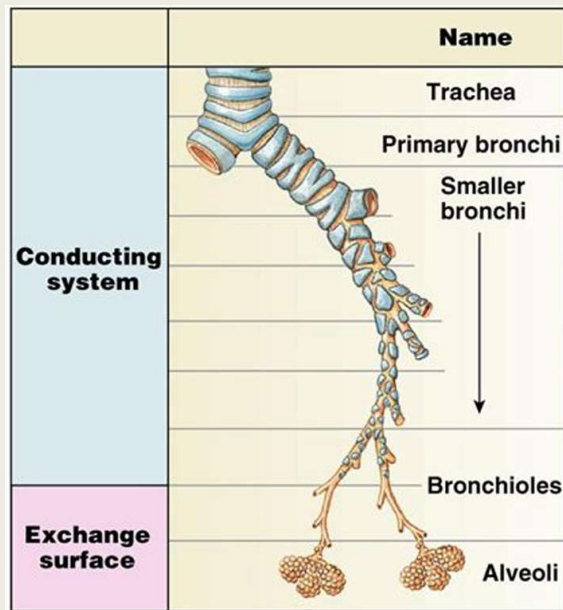
Fluid forms from bronchial and intercostal circulation

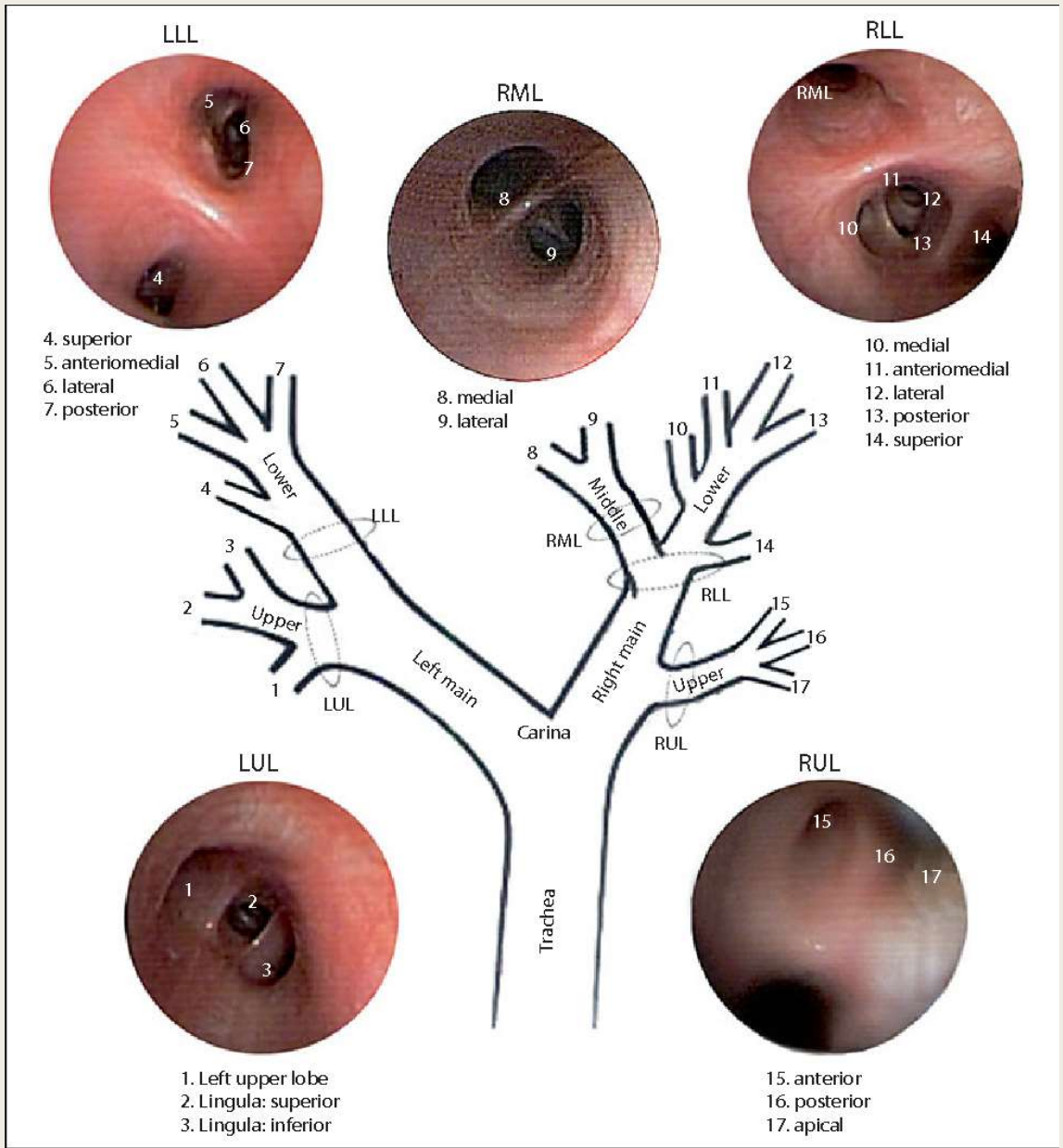
Pleural fluid drains into both parietal pleura and lung lymphatics

Pleural fluid cycles at 0.4 ml / kg / hour



# Bronchial tree





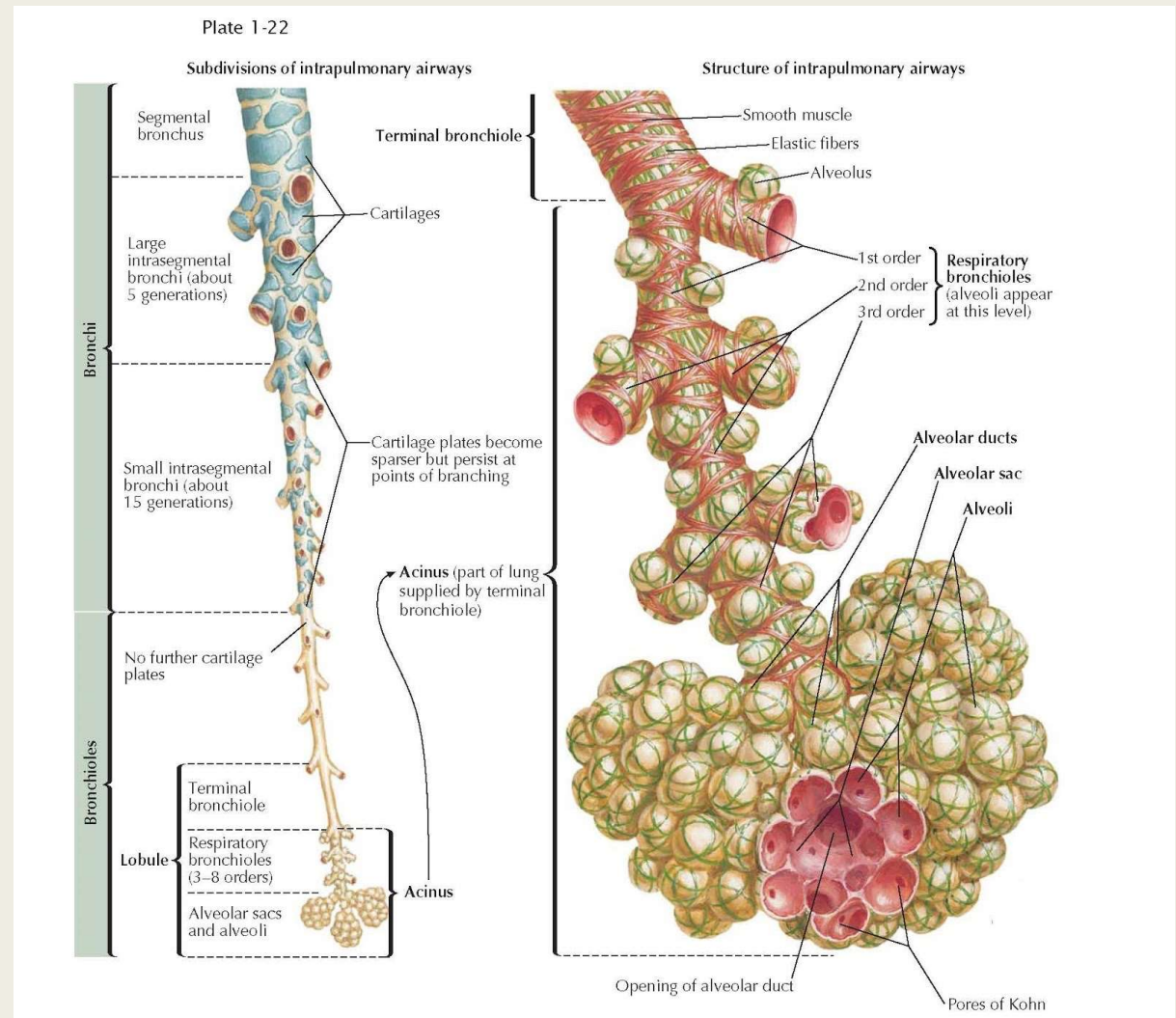
Bronchi

Bronchioles

Terminal bronchioles

Respiratory bronchioles

Alveoli

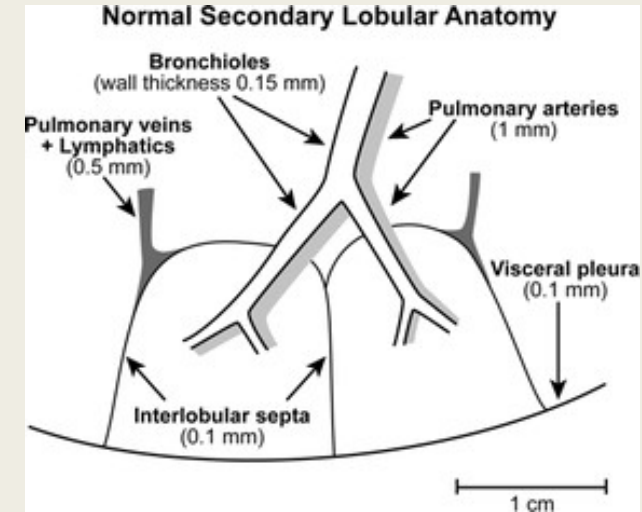
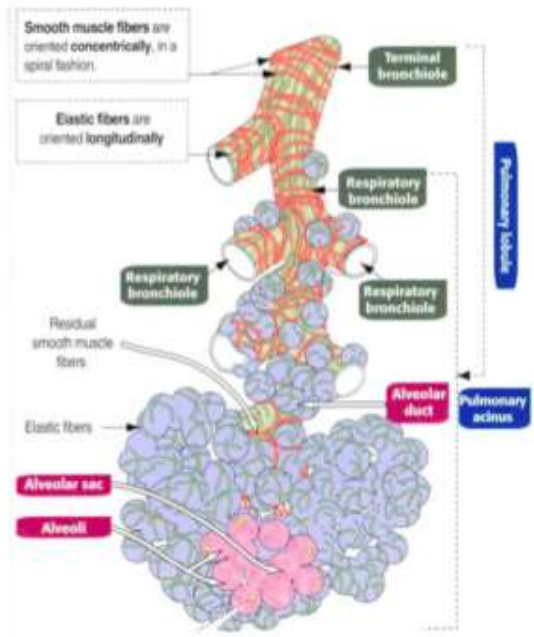




**bronchopulmonary segment**  
 portion of lung tissue supplied by a given tertiary (segmental) bronchus

**pulmonary lobule**  
 portion of lung tissue supplied by a given terminal bronchiole

**pulmonary acinus**  
 portion of lung tissue supplied by a given respiratory bronchiole



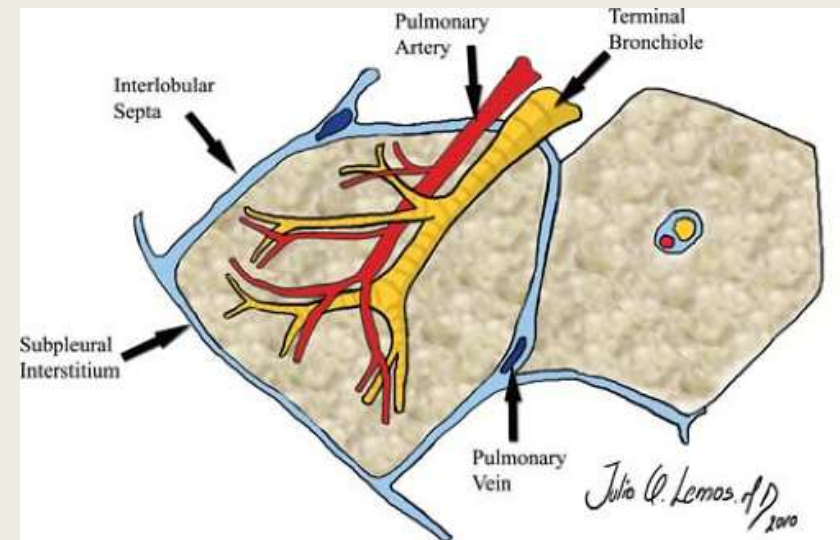
## Secondary Pulmonary Lobulule

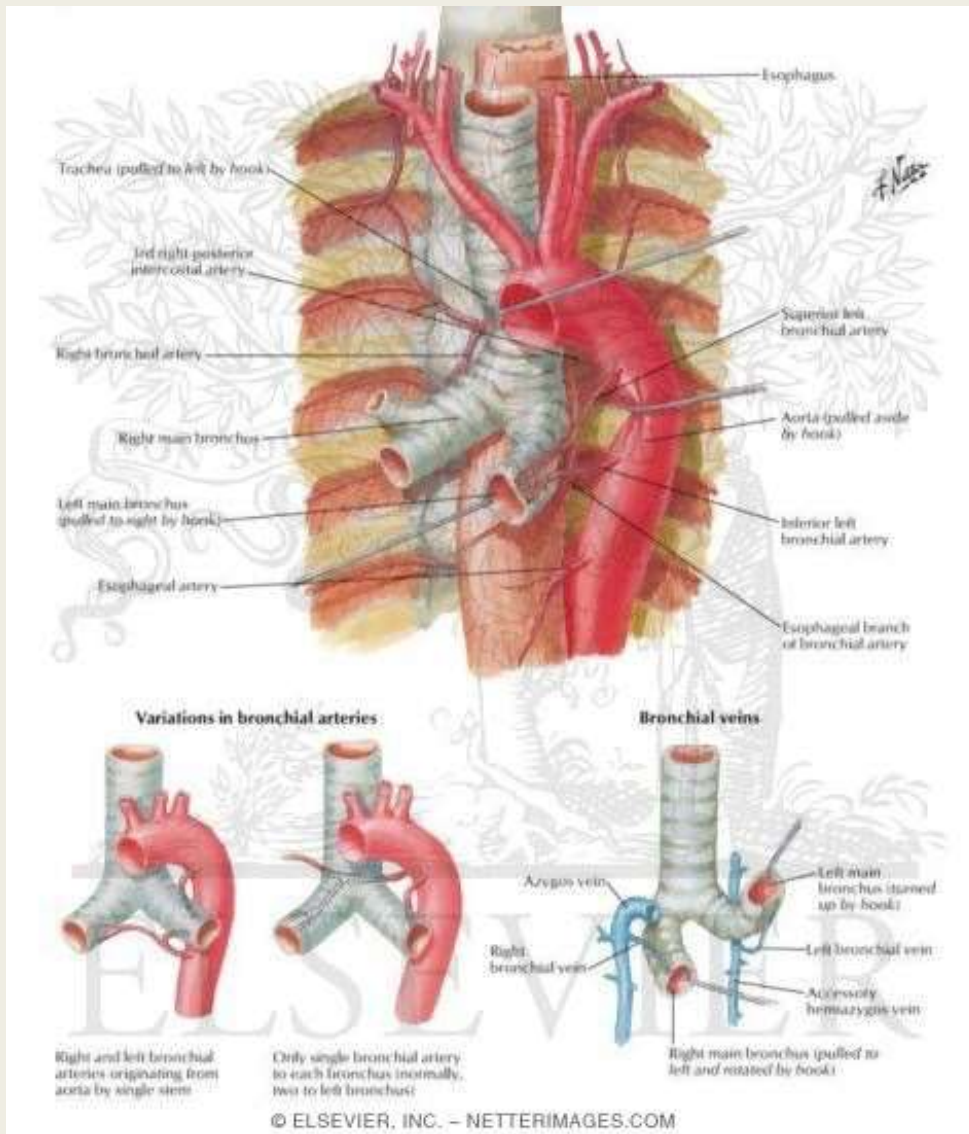
Supplied by a terminal bronchiole (size - up to 2.5 cm) bounded by fibrous (interlobular) septa and containing internal (interlobular) septa.

Contains up to 12 acini and 30 - 50 primary lobules.

blood supply - pulmonary artery branch

blood drainage - pulmonary veins located at lobule periphery though interlobular septa



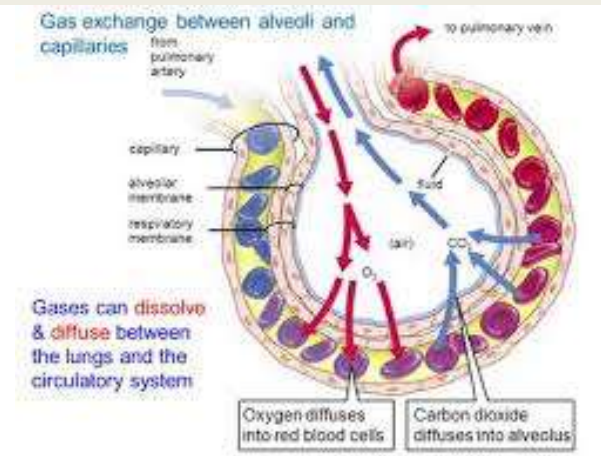


# Pulmonary and Bronchial artery supply

## Two arterial circulations to the lungs

### 1. Pulmonary arteries and veins

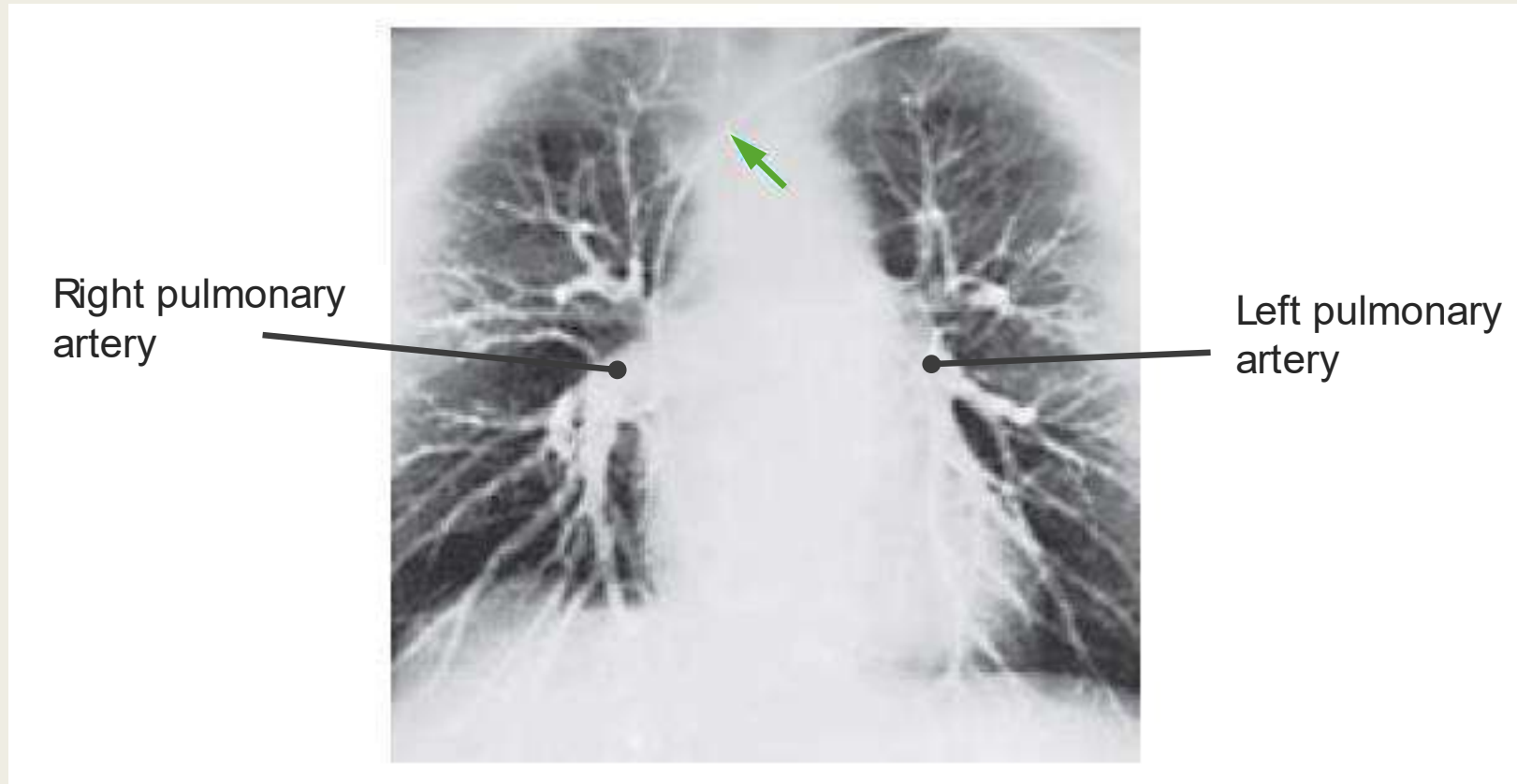
- Arise from the right ventricle and drain into the left atrium
- Involved in gas exchange
- Low pressure system



### 2. Bronchial arteries and veins

- Arise from the systemic circulation
- Provide oxygenated blood to lung tissue
- High pressure system

# Pulmonary artery



# Pulmonary Artery

Arise from the right ventricle as the pulmonary trunk

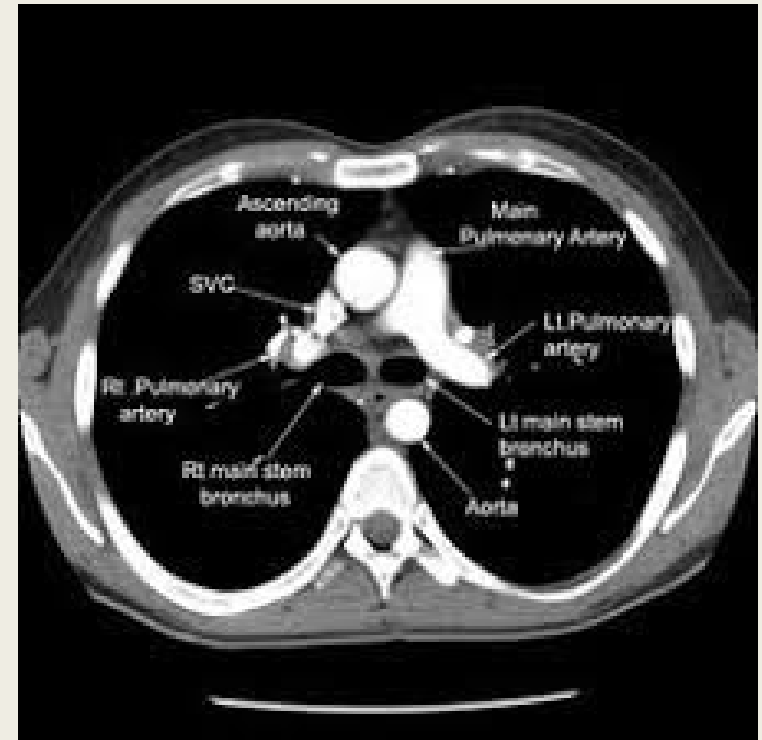
Divides into right and left pulmonary arteries adjacent to the carina

Enter the lung at the hilar

Further divisions follow each bronchial division

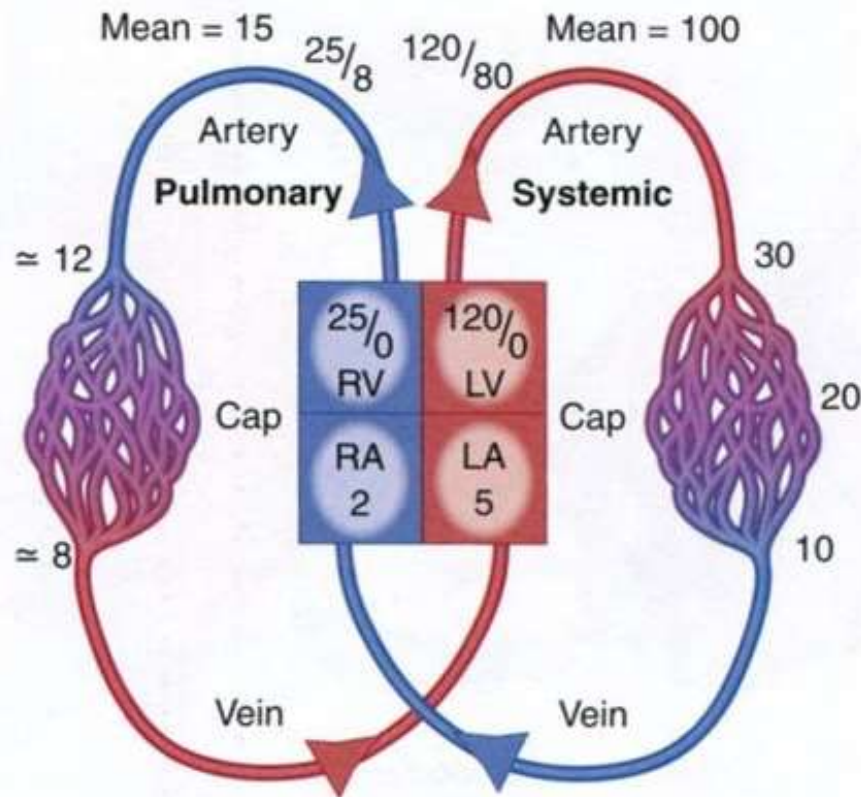
Each bronchus therefore has an accompanying bronchial artery

Eventually divide into pulmonary arterioles that form capillary plexi over the alveoli



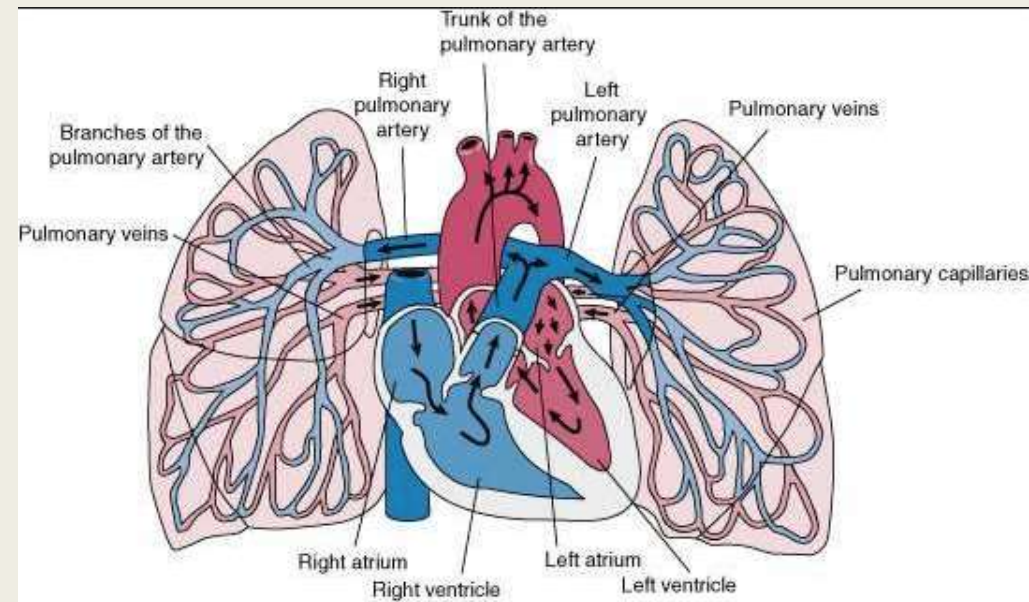
# Pulmonary artery





**Figure 6.4** Comparison of pressure (mmHg) in the pulmonary and systemic circulations.

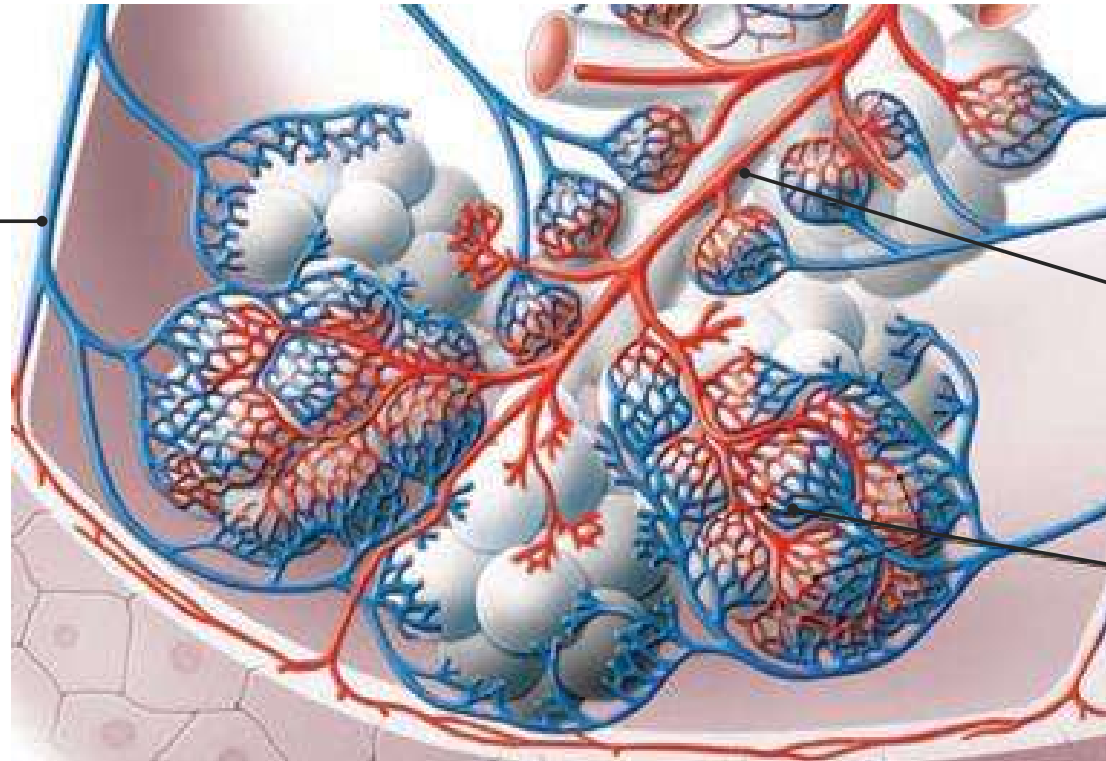
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**Pulmonary circulation**  
(Low pressure)

**Systemic circulation**  
(High pressure)

Pulmonary  
venule



Pulmonary  
arteriole

Branching  
interconnected  
capillaries over  
alveoli



Pulmonary capillaries merge to form pulmonary venules which in turn form pulmonary veins

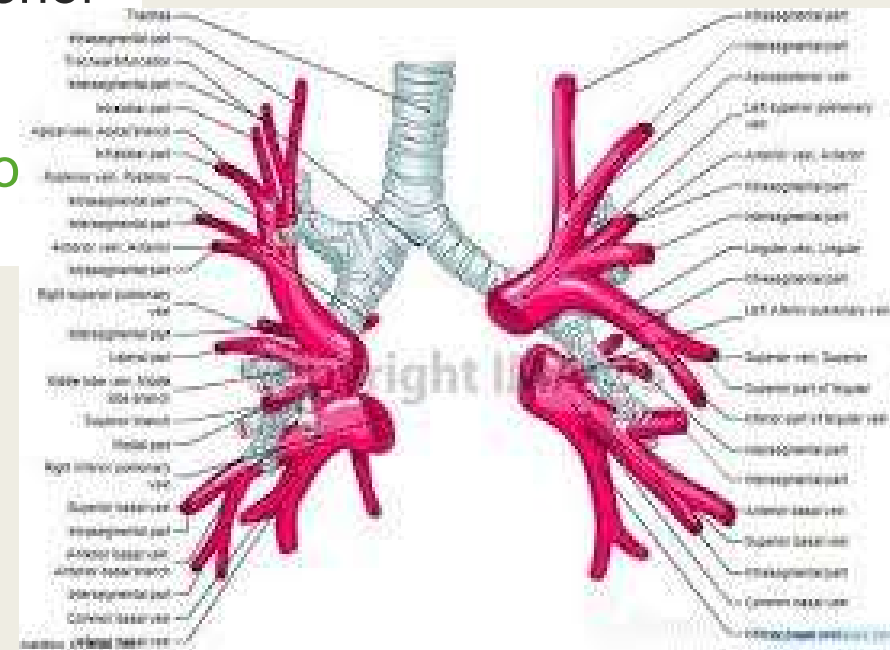
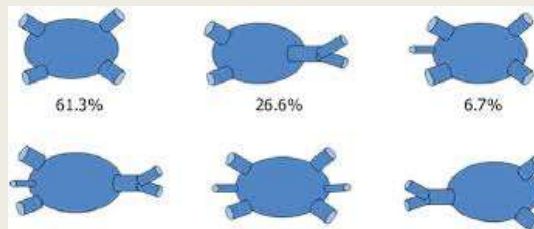
Pulmonary veins accompany the bronchial tree

Hence form in reverse a similar branching pattern as pulmonary arteries

Leave the lungs at the hilar as right and left inferior and superior pulmonary veins

The superior pulmonary veins drain directly into the left atrium

2 veins for left atrium each lungs



# Bronchial artery

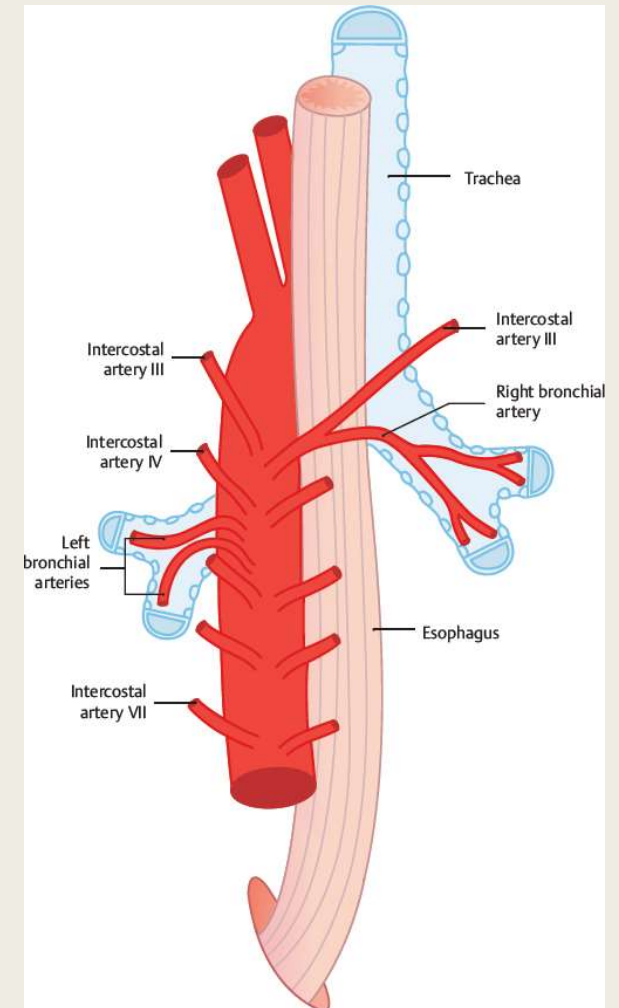
Supply blood to

- Airways down to the level of the terminal bronchioles
- Visceral pleura
- Intrapulmonary blood vessel walls and the lymphatics

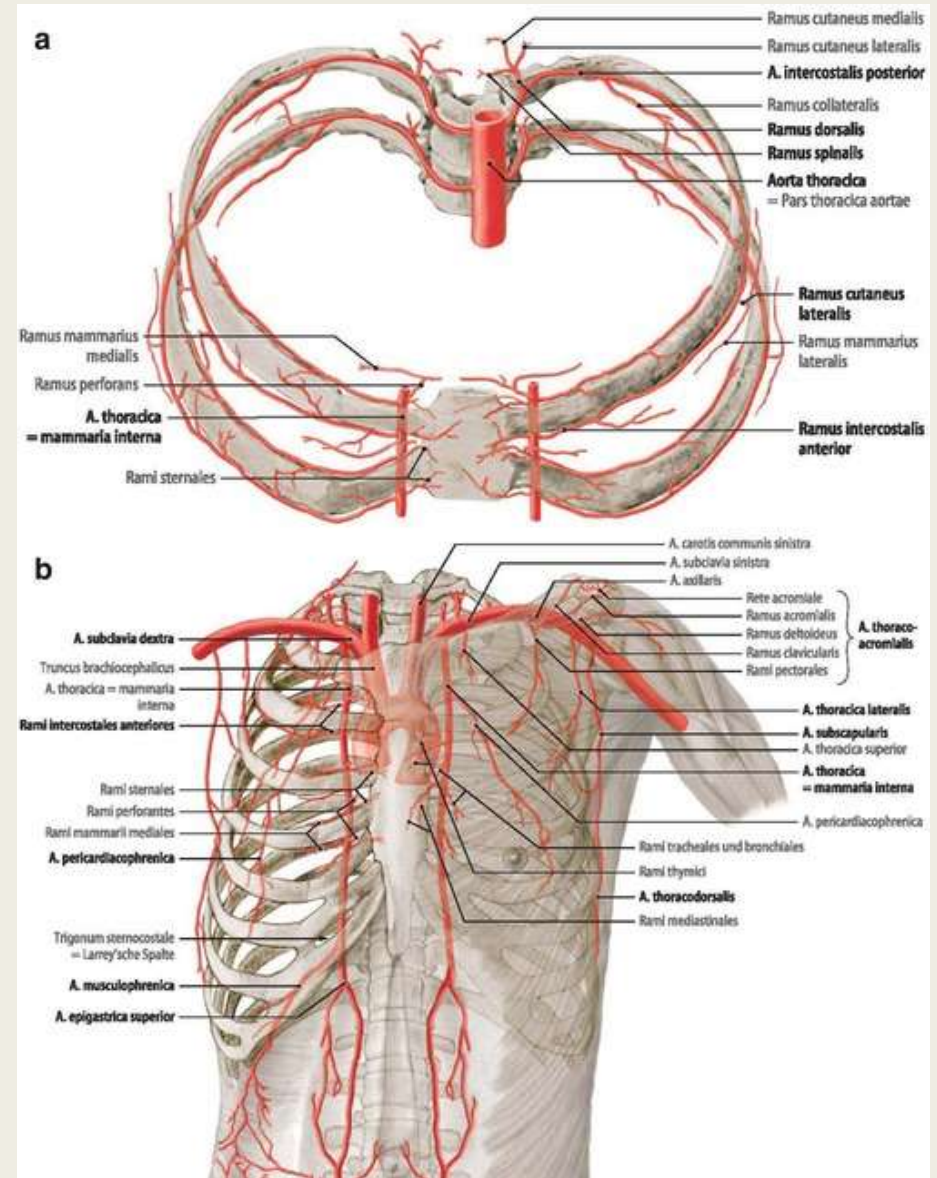
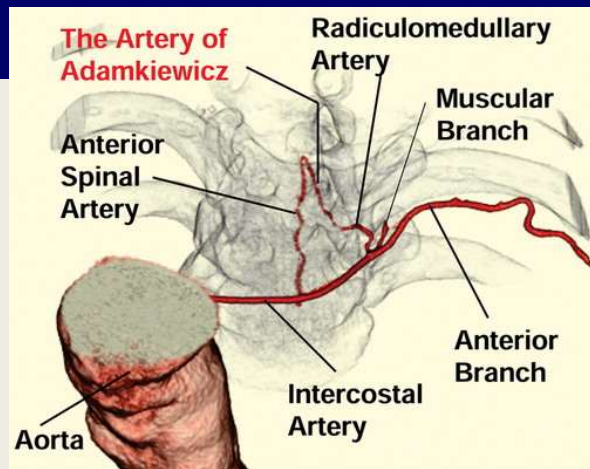
# Bronchial artery

Origins (can be variable)

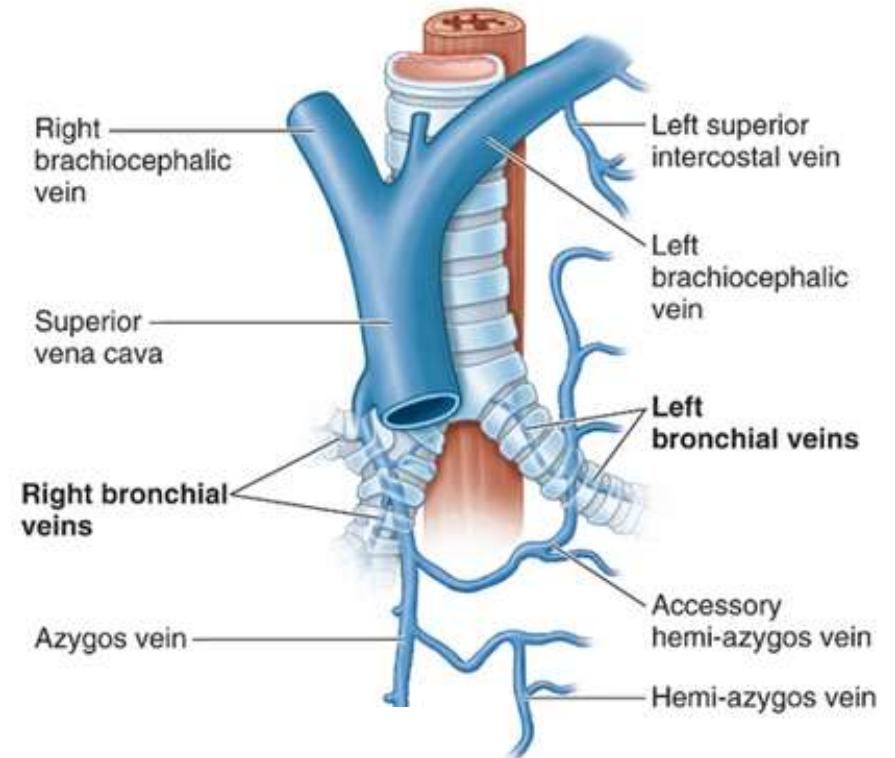
- Right bronchial artery arises from 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> intercostal artery
- Left bronchial artery arises directly from the aorta



- Sometimes part of blood supply of anterior spinal artery come from bronchial vessels.
- When bronchial artery embolization is performed, consideration must be given to the arterial supply to the spinal cord.
- **Most important is Anterior Spinal Artery.**
- Anterior spinal artery receives contributions from the anterior radiculo medullary branches of the intercostals and lumbar arteries.



# Bronchial veins



## Drainage

- Azygous (right) and hemiazygous (left) veins
- Also partially through pulmonary capillaries

# Lymphatics

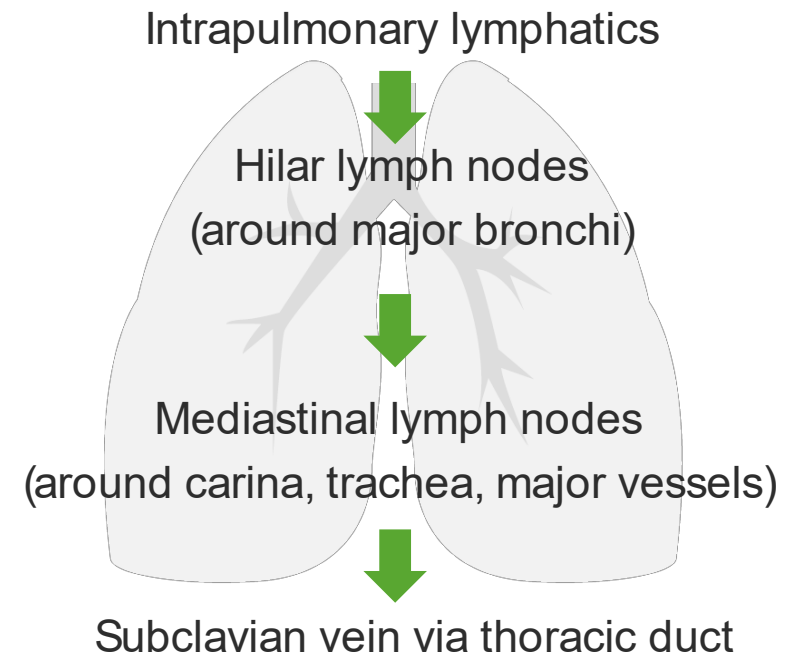
Lung lymphatics drain

- Lung parenchyma
- Airways
- Visceral pleura

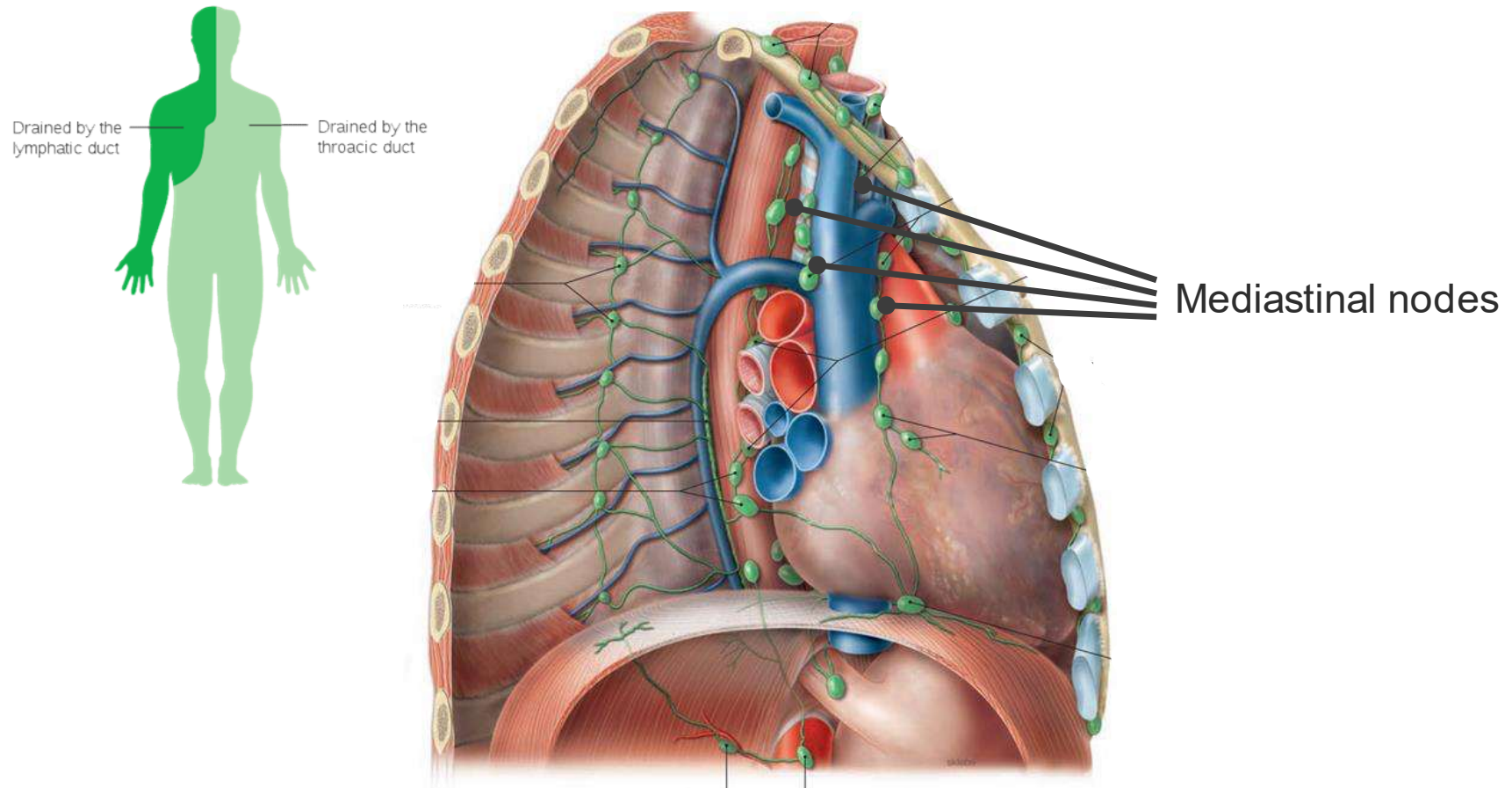
## Clinical relevance

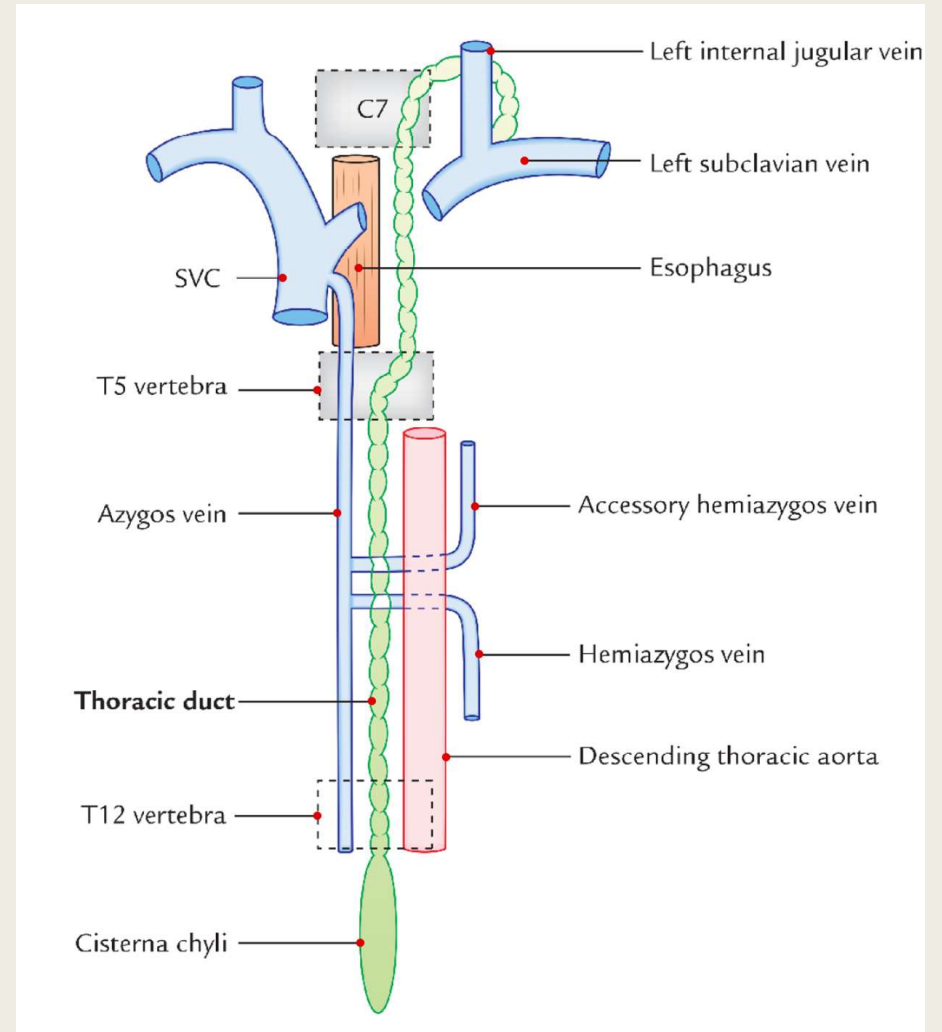
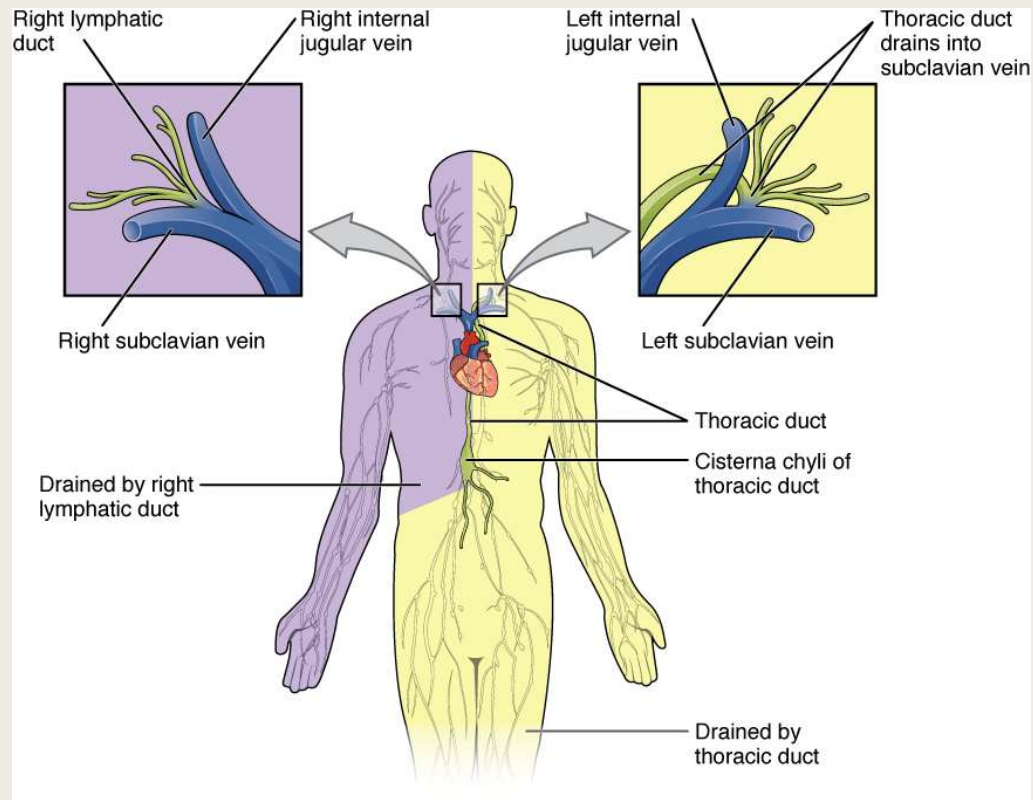


Lymphatic drainage often dictates spread and extent (the stage) of lung cancers



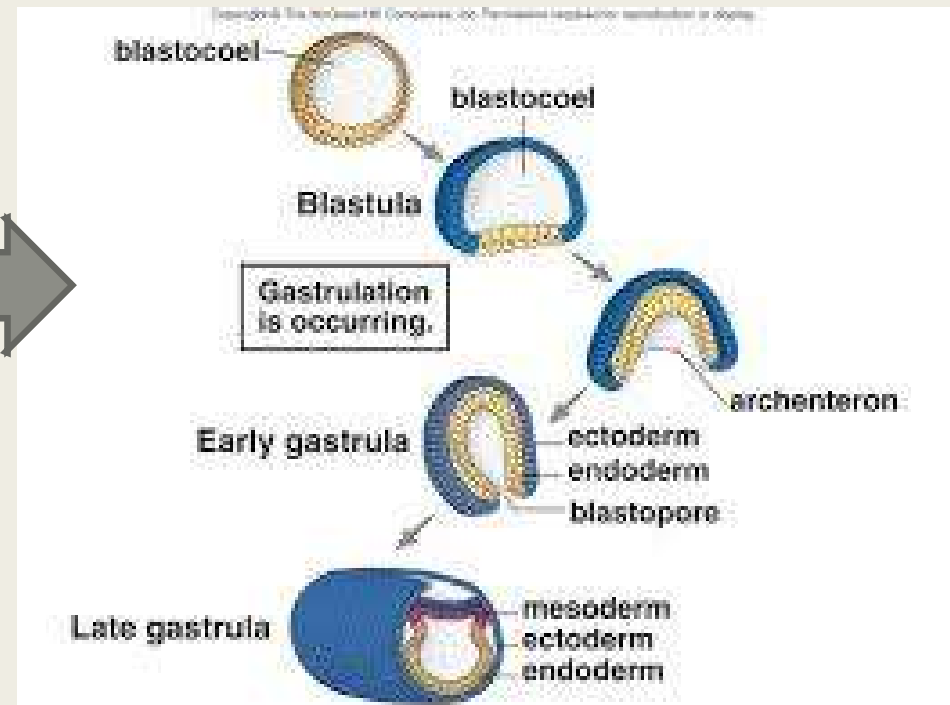
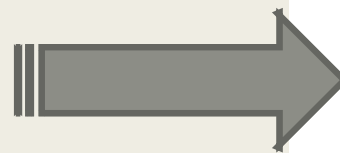
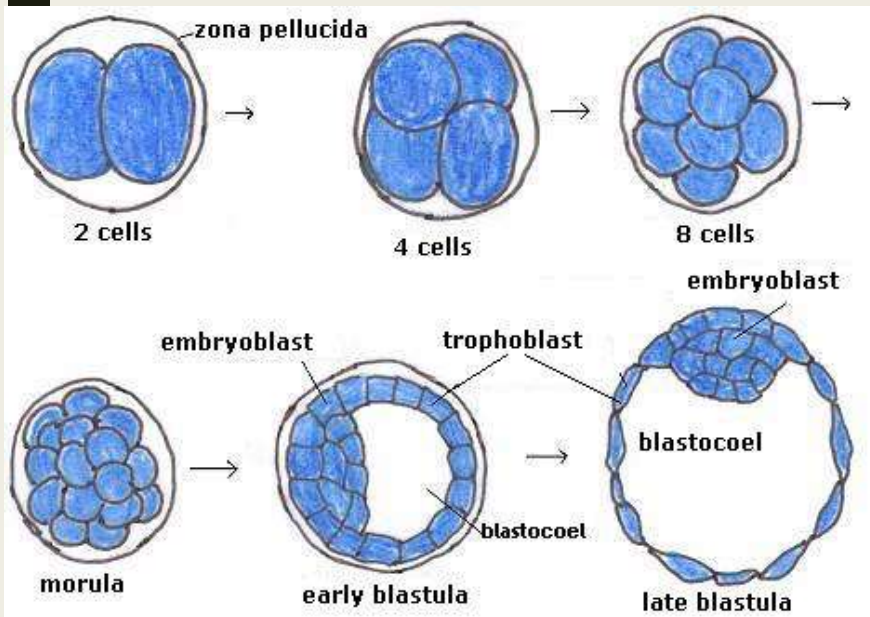
## Multiple Nodes Closely Positioned Around Various Large Vessels

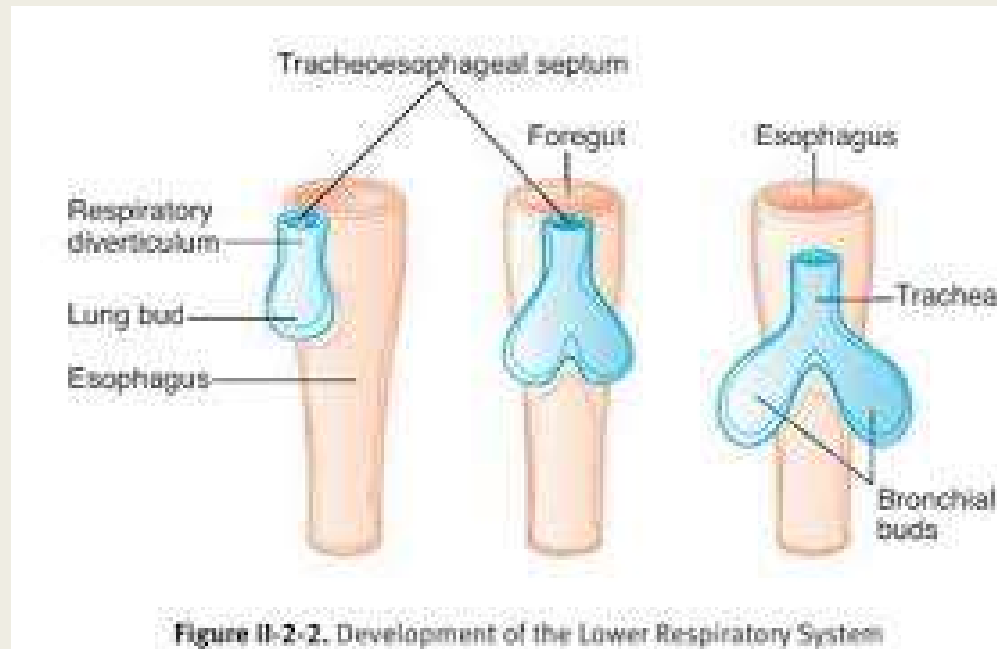




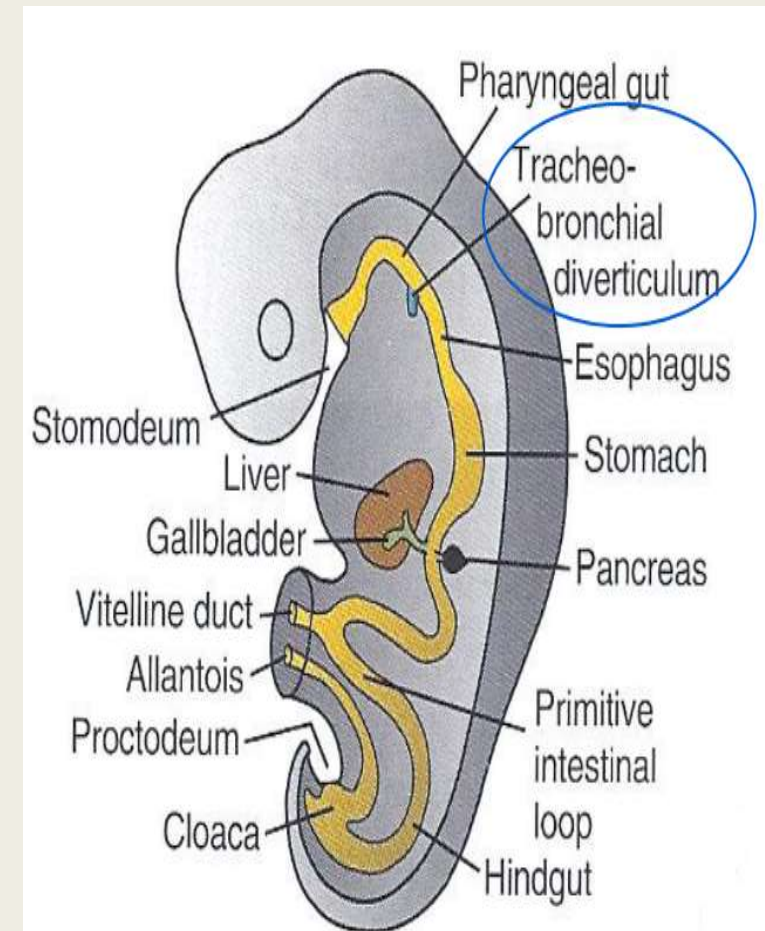


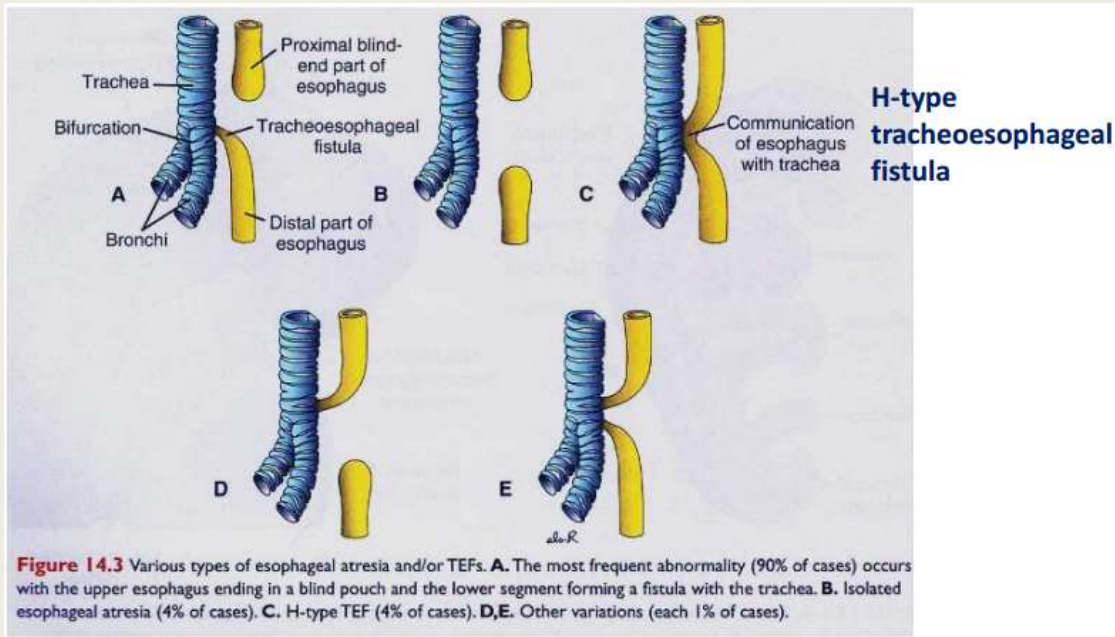
# Embriology of Respiratory tract





At week 4 of development, Respiratory diverticulum appears as a bud from ventral wall of the foregut.





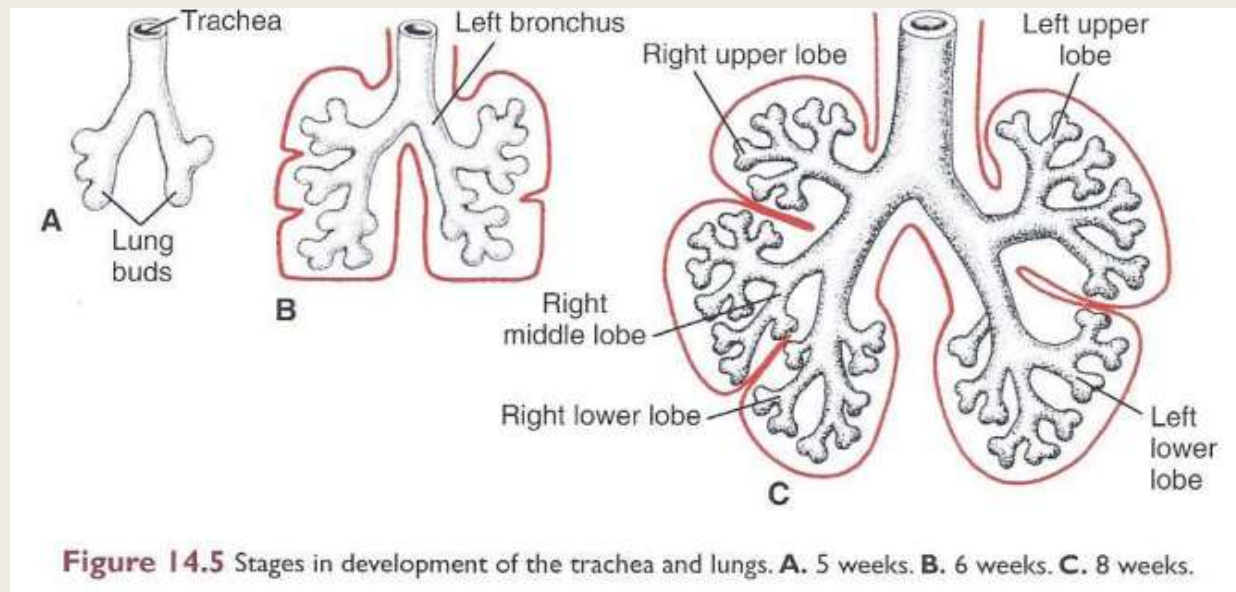
**Esophageal atresia with or without tracheoesophageal fistulas (TEFs)**  
 Due to abnormalities in partitioning of esophagus and trachea by the tracheoesophageal septum

Tracheoesophageal septum divides the foregut into a dorsal portion

At week 5 left and right lung buds push into the pericardioperitoneal canals (pleural cavity)

At week 6 pleuroperitoneal foramen closes.

At week 8 enlargement of liver stops descent of heart and lungs



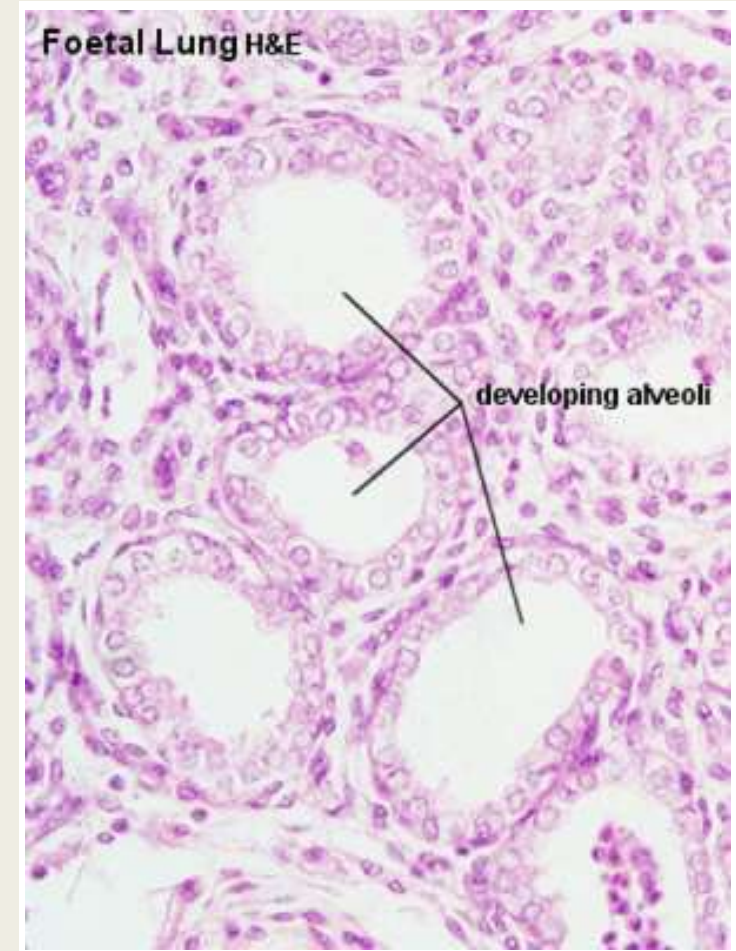
# Lung development stages

Stage	Human	Features
Embryonic	week 4 to 5	lung buds originate as an outgrowth from the ventral wall of the foregut where lobar division occurs
Pseudoglandular	week 5 to 17	conducting epithelial tubes surrounded by thick mesenchyme are formed, extensive airway branching
Canalicular	week 16 to 25	bronchioles are produced, increasing number of capillaries in close contact with cuboidal epithelium and the beginning of alveolar epithelium development
Saccular	week 24 to 40	alveolar ducts and air sacs are developed
Alveolar	late fetal to 8 years	secondary septation occurs, marked increase of the number and size of capillaries and alveoli

Endoderm - tubular ventral growth from foregut pharynx  
Mesoderm - mesenchyme of lung buds

### **Pseudoglandular stage**

Lungs have appearance of a glandlike structure. stage is critical for the formation of all conducting airways. lined with **tall columnar epithelium**  
more distal structures are lined with **cuboidal epithelium**



### **Canalicular stage**

differentiation of epithelium results in the formation of the future air-blood tissue barrier.

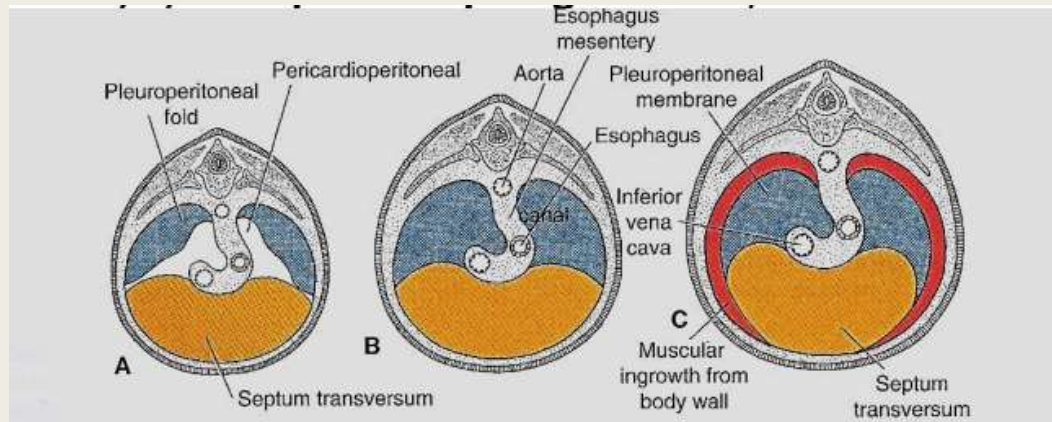
**Surfactant** synthesis and the canalization of the lung parenchyma by capillaries begin.

Gas exchange regions can be distinguished from the future conducting airways of the lungs

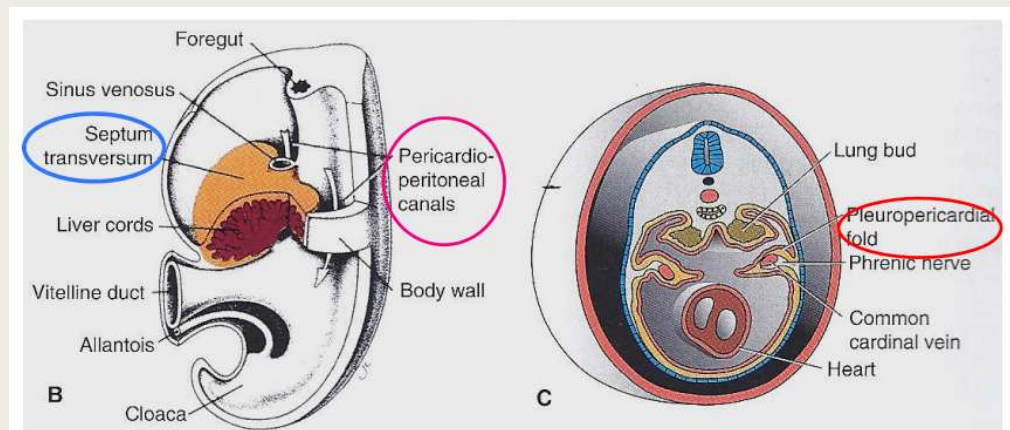
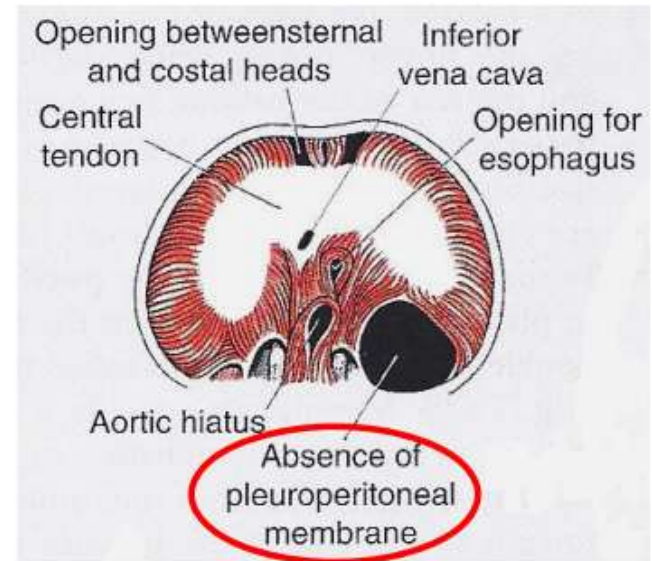
### **Saccular stage**

Most peripheral airways form widened "airspaces", termed **sacculles**. Sacculles widen and lengthen the airspace (by the addition of new generations).

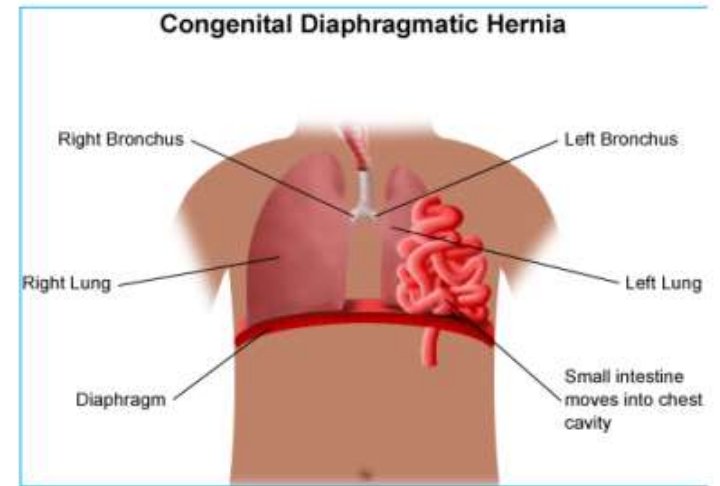
Alveolar Cells Type II begin to secrete **surfactant**, levels of secretion gradually increase to term. Vascular tree also grows in length and diameter



**Figure 7.7** Development of the diaphragm. **A.** Pleuroperitoneal folds appear at the beginning of the fifth week. **B.** Pleuroperitoneal folds fuse with the septum transversum and mesentery of the esophagus in the seventh week, separating the thoracic cavity from the abdominal cavity. **C.** Transverse section at the fourth month of development. An additional rim derived from the body wall forms the most peripheral part of the diaphragm.



**B.** Portion of an embryo at approximately 5 weeks with parts of the body wall and septum transversum removed to show the pericardioperitoneal canals. Note the size and thickness of the septum transversum and liver cords penetrating the septum. **C.** Growth of the lung buds into the pericardioperitoneal canals. Note the pleuropericardial folds.



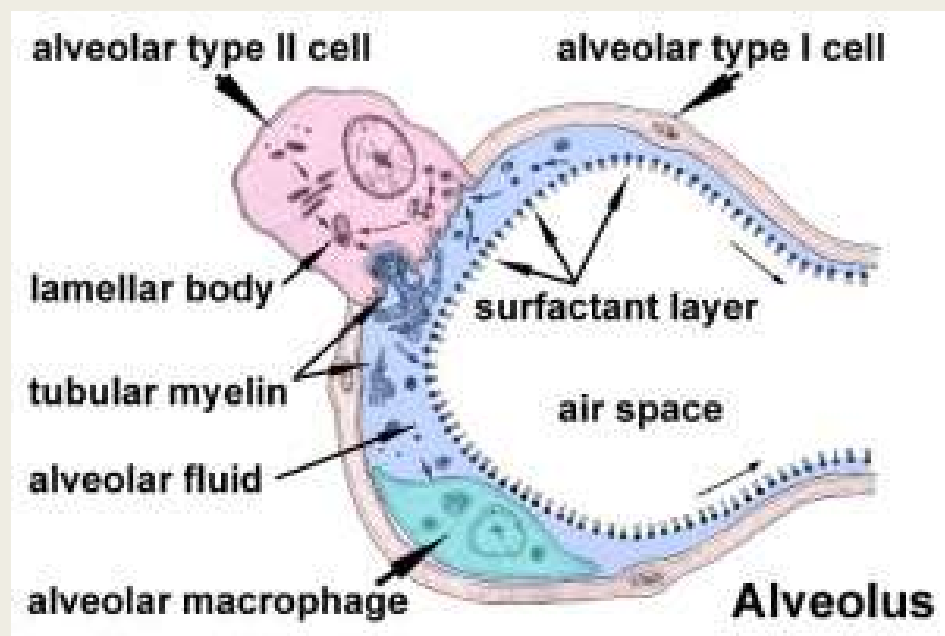
**Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia**



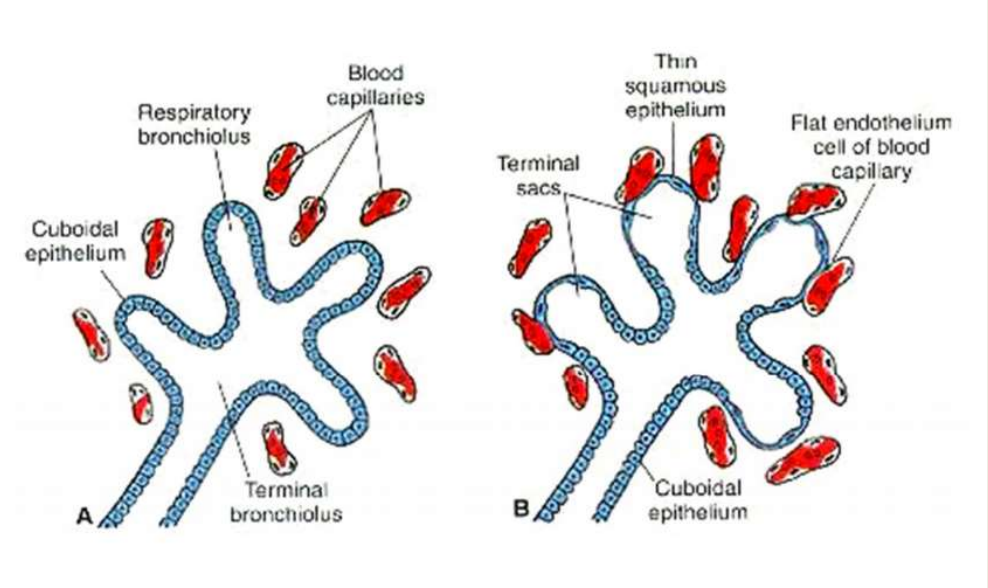
- **Alveolar stage**

- **Alveolar period (late fetal) before birth** - the number of terminal sacs increase. Type I pneumocytes become thinner so that surrounding capillaries protrude into the alveolar sacs. **Mature alveoli are not present before birth.** Before birth, the lungs are full of fluid. The amount of surfactant in the fluid increases particularly during the last 2 weeks before birth.

- **Alveolar period - after birth** After birth, although the alveoli increase somewhat in size, growth of the lungs after birth is due primarily to an increase in the number of respiratory bronchioles and alveoli. Only 1/6 of the adult number of alveoli are present at birth. The remaining alveoli are formed during the first 10 years of postnatal life through the continuous formation of new primitive alveoli.



Type I pneumocytes become thinner and connected to blood capillaries



## RDS: manifestazioni cliniche

### Distress respiratorio:

tachipnea,  
gemito espiratorio,  
retrazioni toraciche  
(sottocostali,  
intercostali, xifoidea),  
alitoamento pinne nasali



When surfactant is insufficient, alveoli will collapse during expiration. A common cause of death in the premature infant. In these cases, partially collapsed alveoli contain a fluid with a high protein content