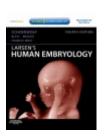
# Development of the skin and its derivatives





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#### Lecture overview

Skin function and anatomy

Skin origins

Development of the epidermis

Development of epidermal appendages:

Hair follicles

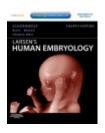
Glands

Nails

Development of melanocytes

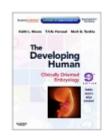
Teeth

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# Skin Function and Anatomy

#### Largest organ of our body

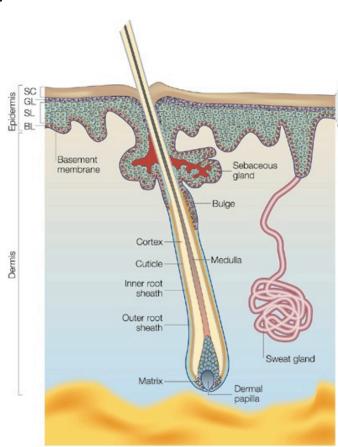
Protects inner body from outside world (pathogens, water, sun)

Thermoregulation

Diverse: thick vs thin skin, scalp skin vs face skin, etc

#### Consists of:

- Overlying epidermis
- Dermis
- Hypodermis
- Epidermal appendages:
  - Hair follicles,
  - Glands: sebaceous, sweat, apocrine, mammary
  - Nails
  - Teeth
- Melanocytes
- (Merkel Cells
- Langerhans cells)



#### **End Product Gastrulation**

#### Trilaminar embryo

#### Ectoderm (Neural crest)

brain, spinal cord, eyes, *peripheral nervous system* epidermis of skin and associated structures, *melanocytes, cranial connective tissues (dermis)* 

#### Mesoderm

musculo-skeletal system, limbs connective tissue of skin and organs urogenital system, heart, blood cells

#### Endoderm

epithelial linings of gastrointestinal and respiratory tracts

#### Embryonic tissues contributing to skin development

Lateral Ectoderm

Neural Crest

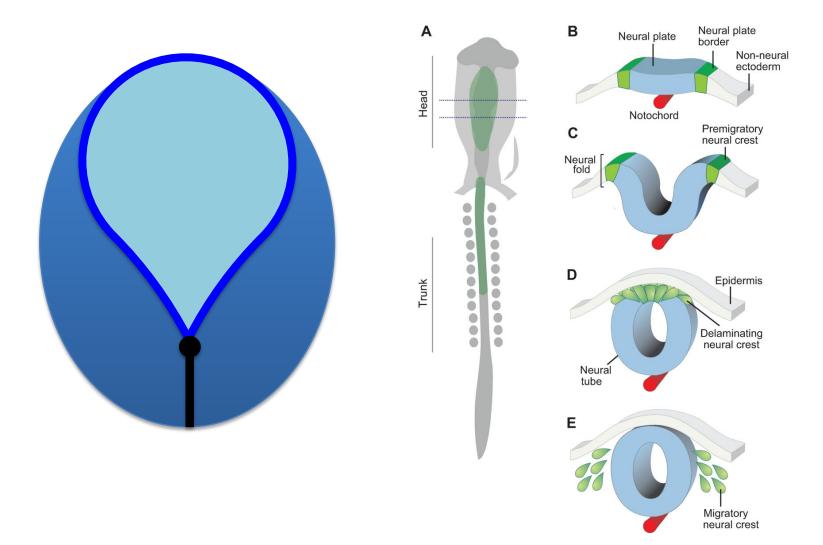
Somitic and Lateral Plate Mesoderm



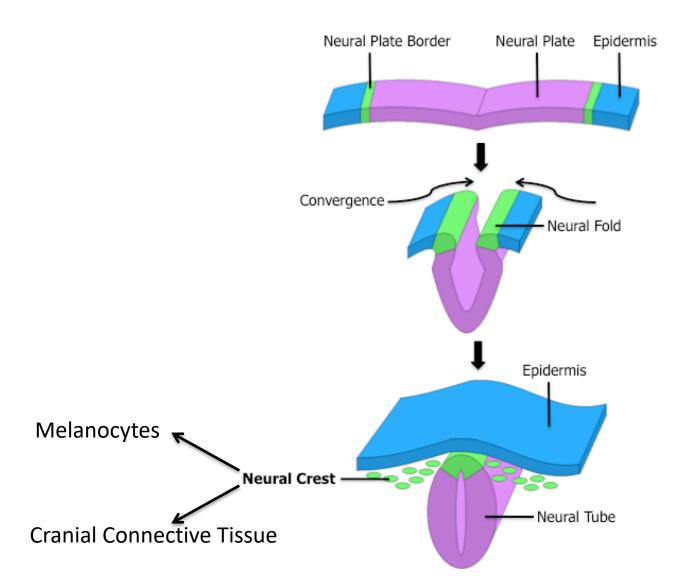
Week 4 embryo

# Lateral Ectoderm

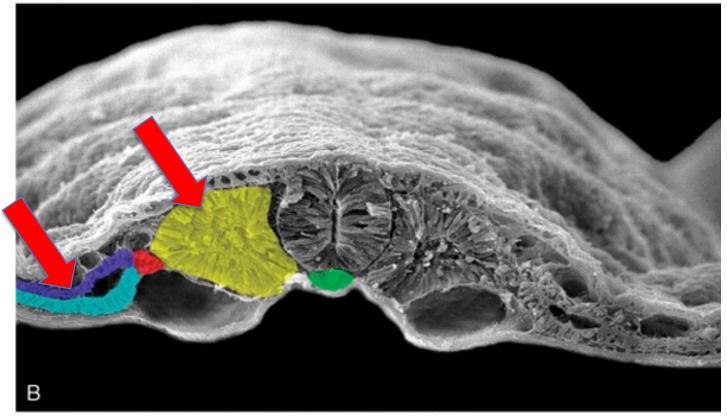
Overlying epidermis, epidermal appendages, nerve endings



# Neural Crest Melanocytes + Cranial Connective Tissue



# Mesoderm Dermis, Hypodermis



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Somitic mesoderm (yellow): dermomyotome -> dorsal dermis Somatic lateral plate mesoderm (purple) -> ventral dermis

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Week 4 embryo

# Development of the Epidermis

Lateral ectoderm

Interfollicular epidermis: stratified squamous epithelium

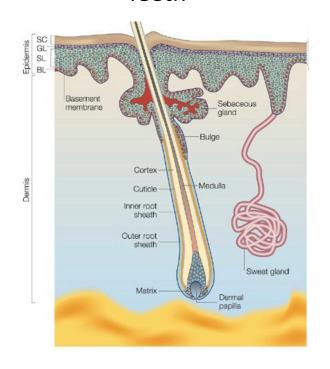
Appendages:

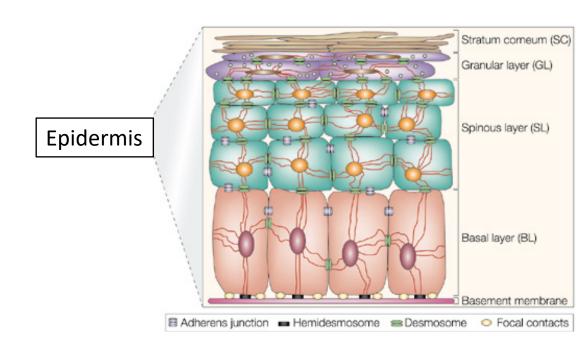
Hair follicles

Glands (sebaceous, sweat, apocrine, mammary, lacrimal, salivary)

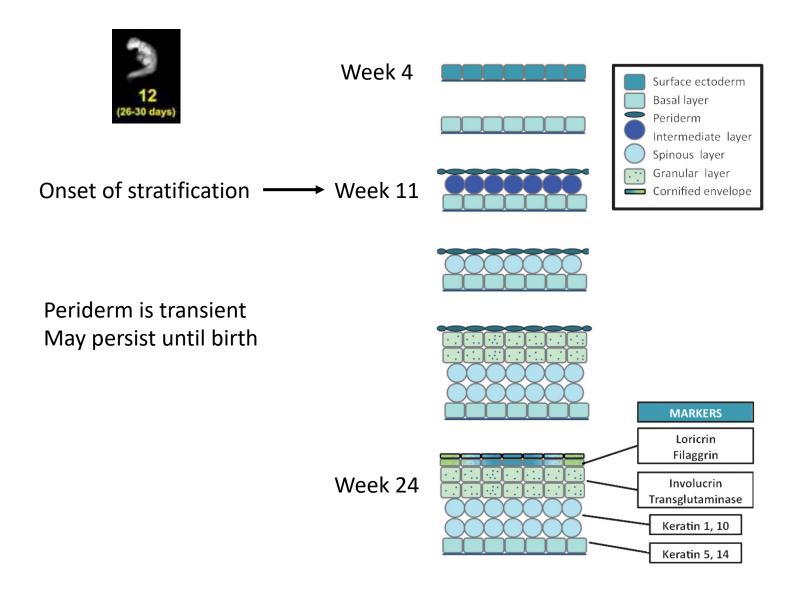
Nails

Teeth





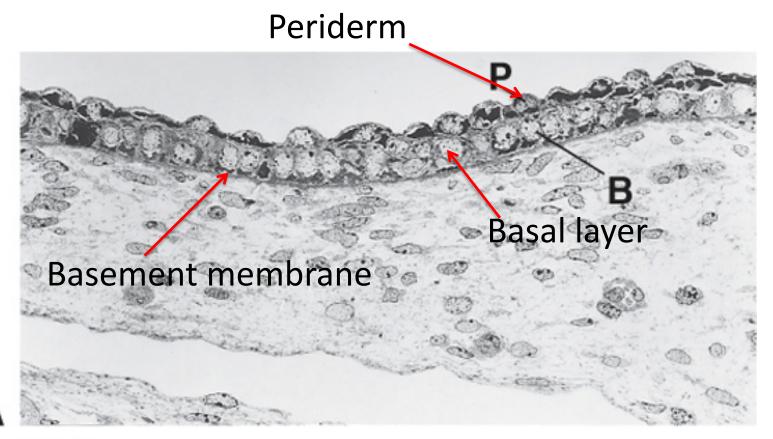
#### Development of the Interfollicular Epidermis (IFE)



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Periderm formation: 4 weeks

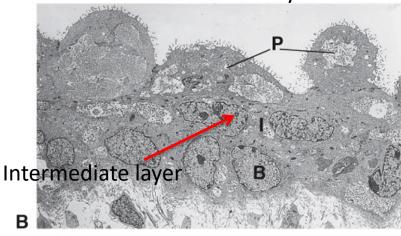


8 weeks

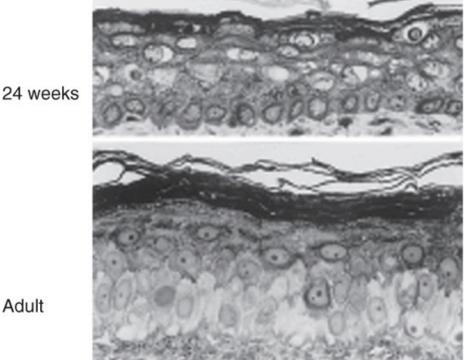
#### Development of Interfollicular Epidermis (IFE) Stratification

Adult

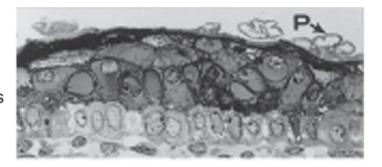
Week 11: intermediate layer



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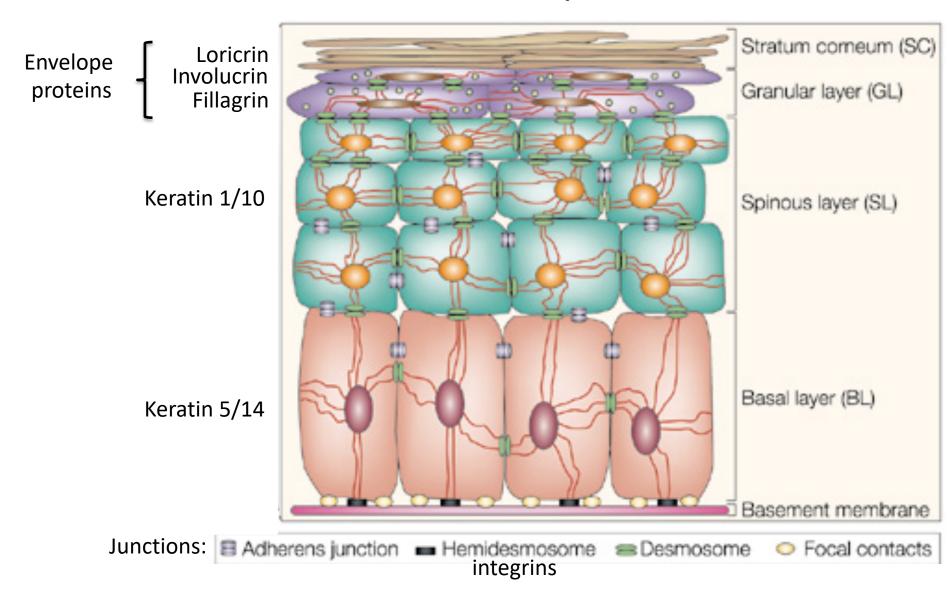


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17 weeks

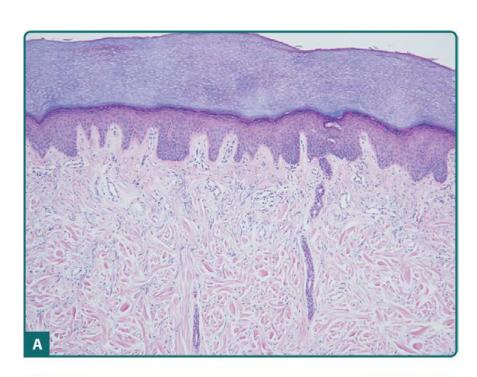
## Stratified skin/IFE



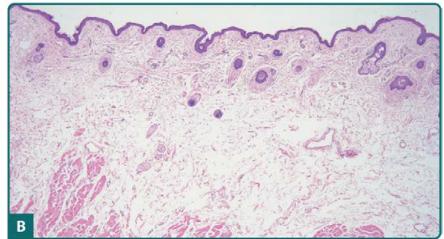
Regeneration, skin types

# Stratified skin/IFE

Thick skin



Thin skin



# Development of the Epidermal Appendages

- Hair follicles,
- Glands: sebaceous, sweat, apocrine, mammary, salivary, lacrimal
- Nails
- Teeth

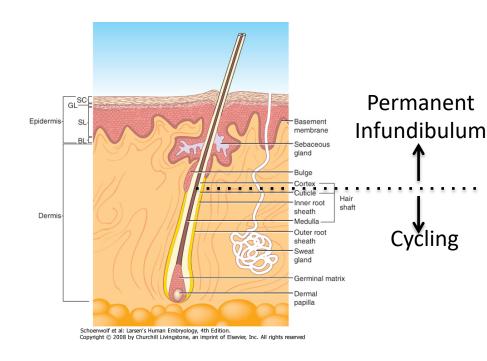
#### Share common developmental mechanisms:

Epithelial to mesenchymal signaling inducing formation of placode and mesenchymal condensations, invagination of epidermis into dermis.

# Hair follicle development and cycling

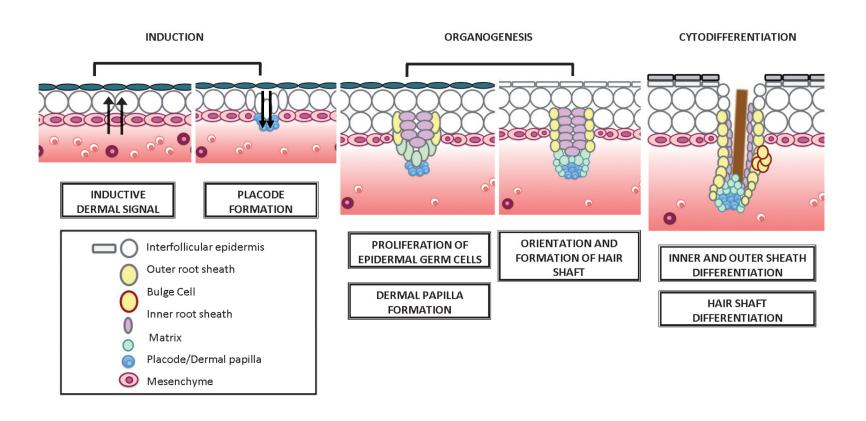
Involved in thermoregulation/sun protection





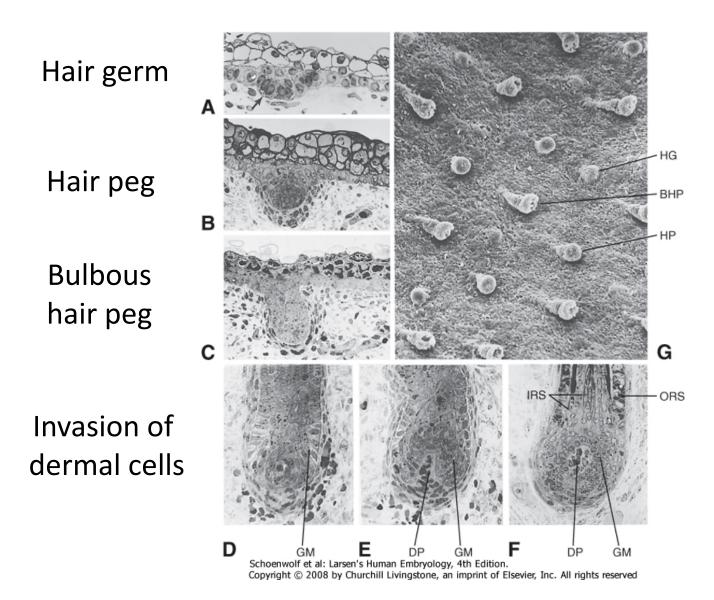
Month 2-4: Onset hair follicle development
Hair follicles develop first in cranial region
Month 5: most hair follicles present ≈ 5,000,000 hair follicles
Anatomy

# Hair follicle development

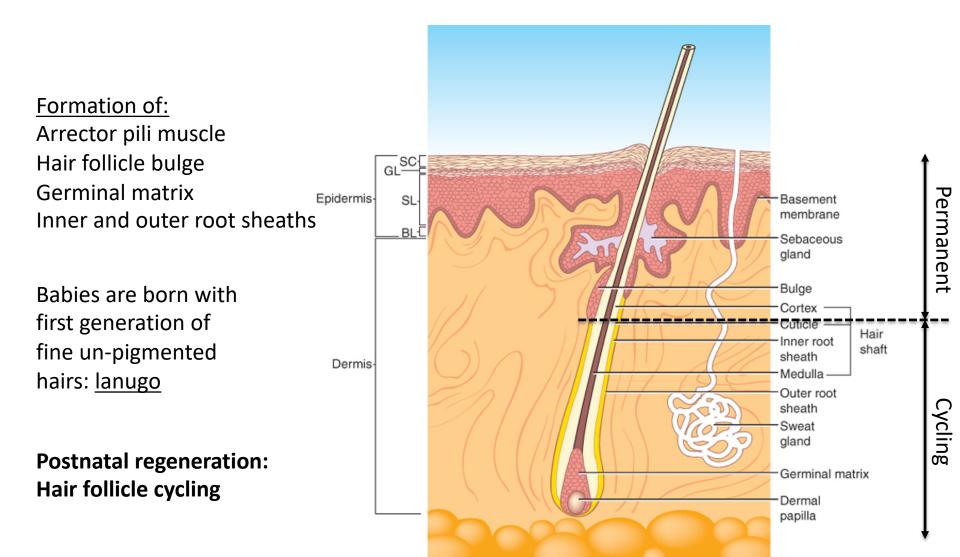


Hair placode Hair germ Hair peg Bulbous hair peg

# Hair follicle development

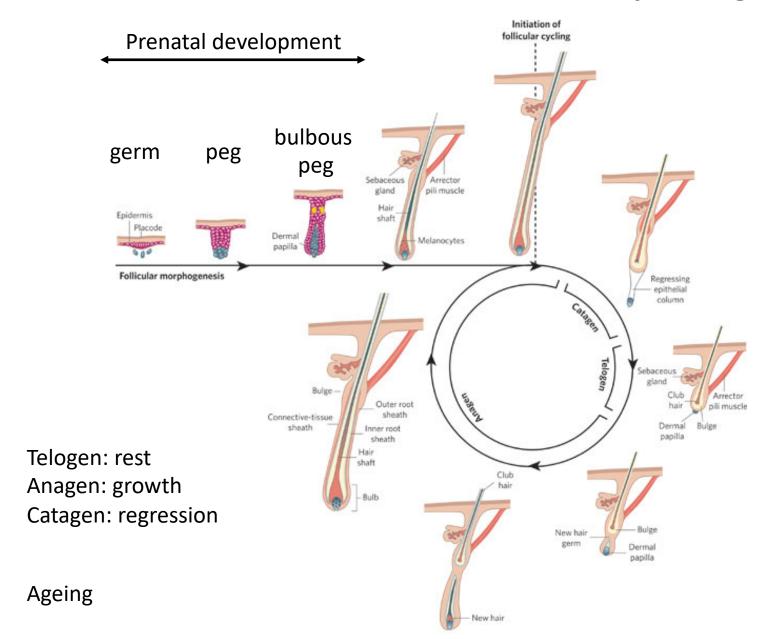


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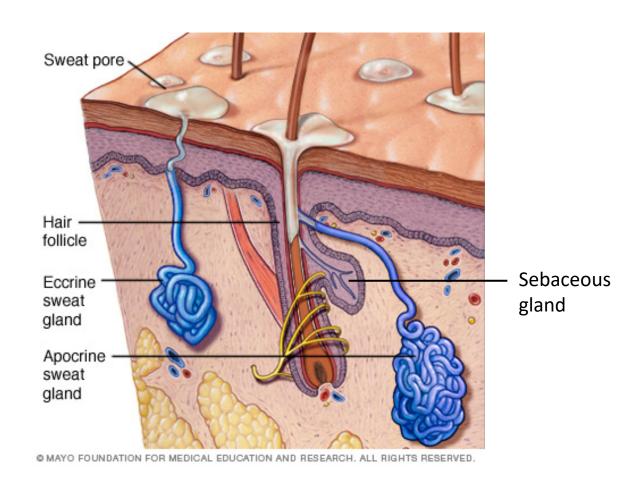
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# Postnatal hair follicle cycling



# **Epidermal Gland Anatomy**

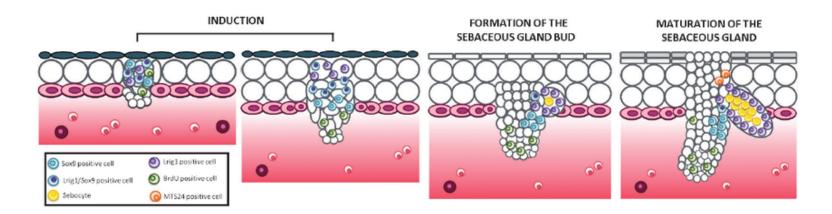
Sebaceous glands (Sebum): develop from hair follicle (4 weeks +) Sweat/eccrine glands: develop from basal layer IFE (20 weeks+) Apocrine glands (pheromones): develop in association with HFs



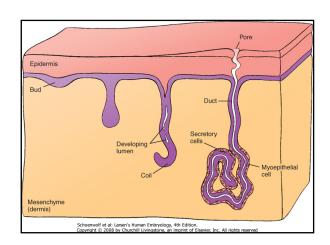
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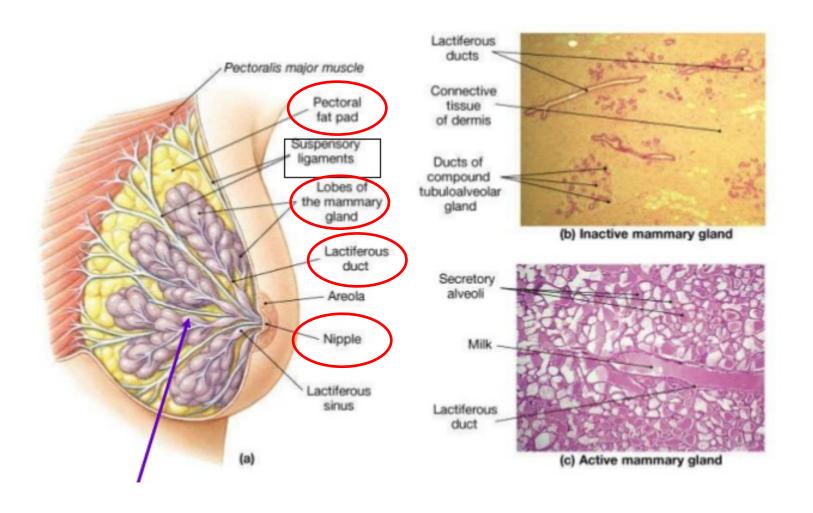
Apocrine glands: develop in association with HFs, most lost late in fetal dev.



Eccrine gland Development:

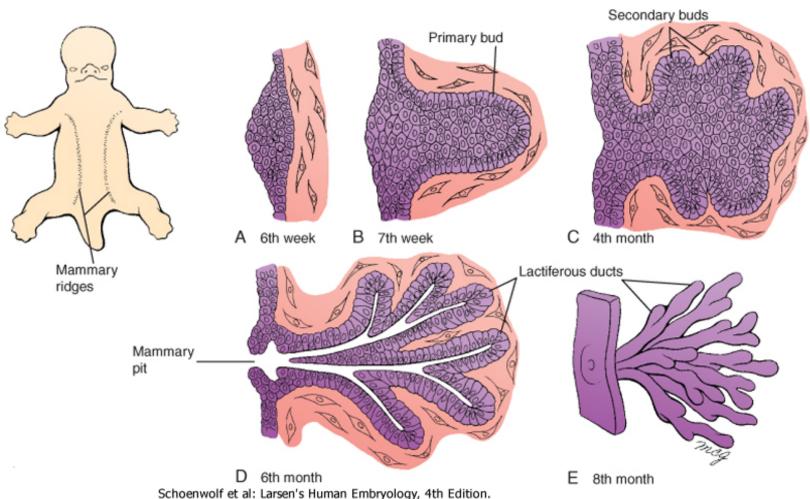


# Mammary Gland Anatomy



# Mammary Gland development Epidermal appendage

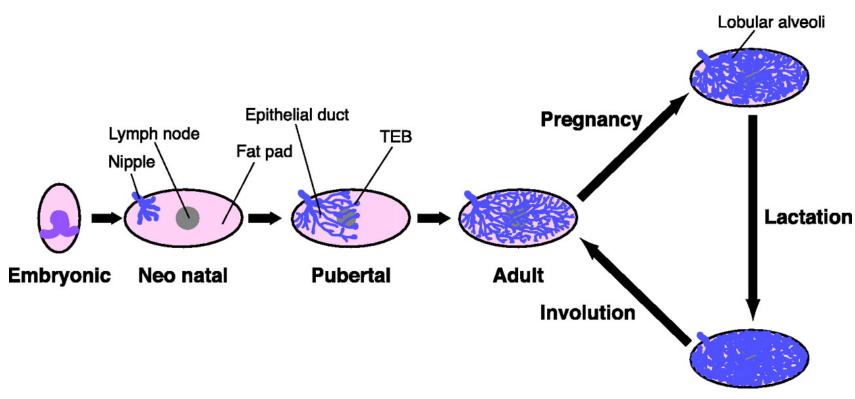
#### 4 weeks:



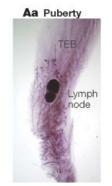
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# Mammary Gland Regeneration



Mouse mammary glands:

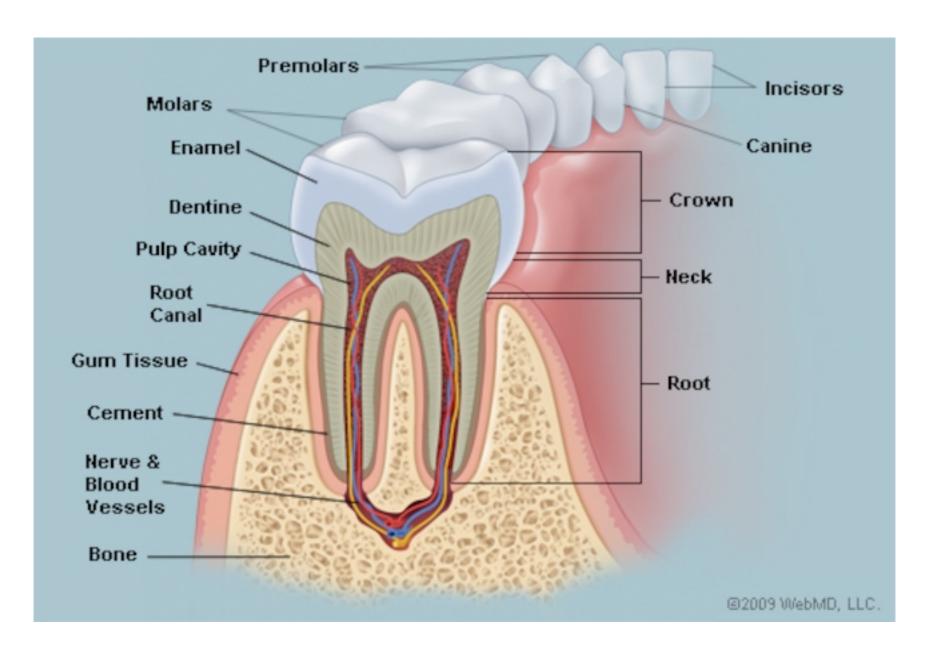






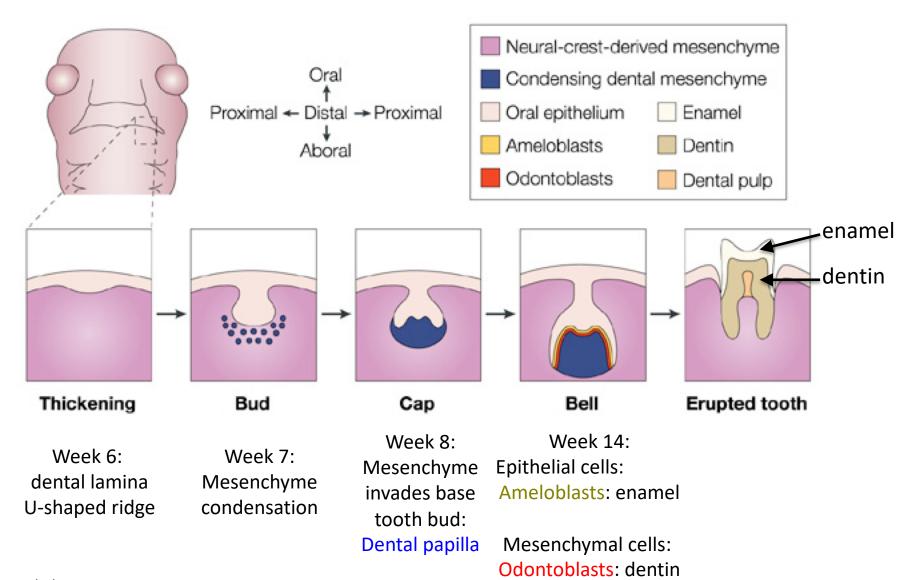


#### Teeth



## Tooth development

Ectoderm/cranial neural crest derived mesenchyme



Tucker and Sharpe, Nature Genetics 2004

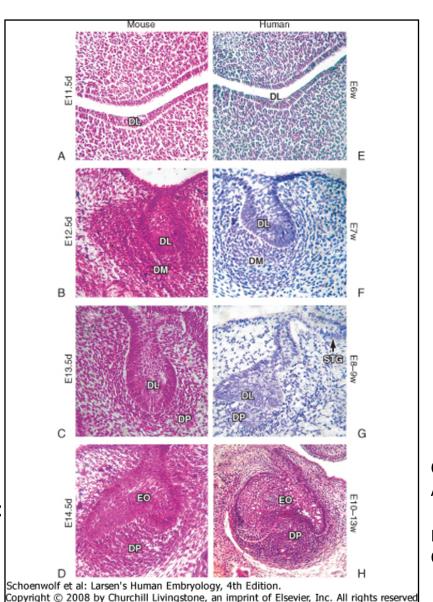
## Tooth development

Week 6: dental lamina forms

Week 7-8: formation of tooth buds:

Bud stage

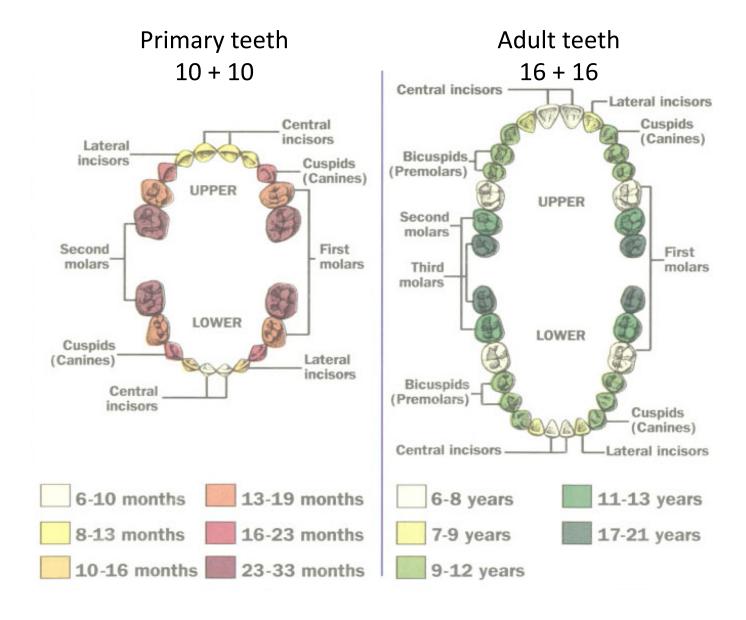
Week 8: formation of dental papilla: Cap and Bell Stage



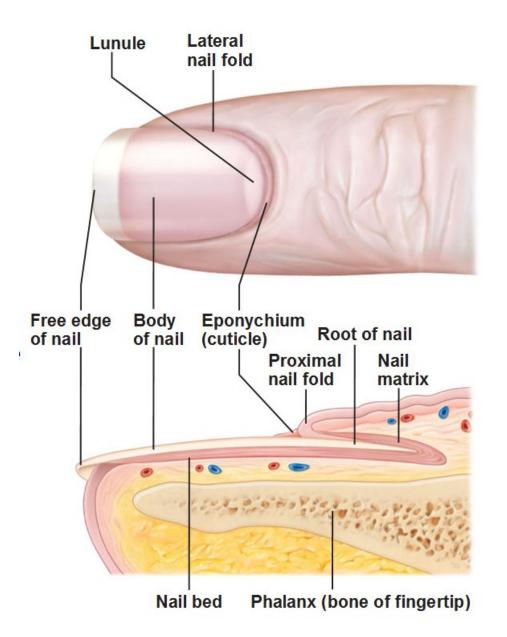
Oral epithelium: Ameloblasts, enamel

Dental papilla: Odontoblast, dentin

## Postnatal Tooth Development



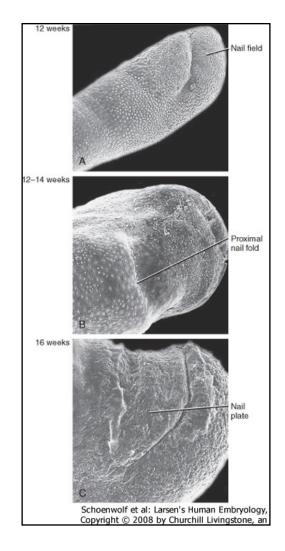
### **Nails**



### Nail development Ectoderm

Week 10: epidermal thickening, nail field

Week 11: nail anlagen moves proximally, nail folds, proximal nail fold: formation of formative zone



#### Embryonic tissues contributing to skin development

Lateral Ectoderm

**Neural Crest** 

Somitic and Lateral Plate Mesoderm

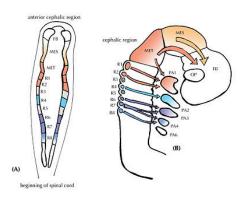


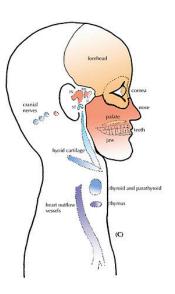
Week 4 embryo

#### Skin Contributions of the Neural Crest:

# Craniofacial connective dermis Melanocytes

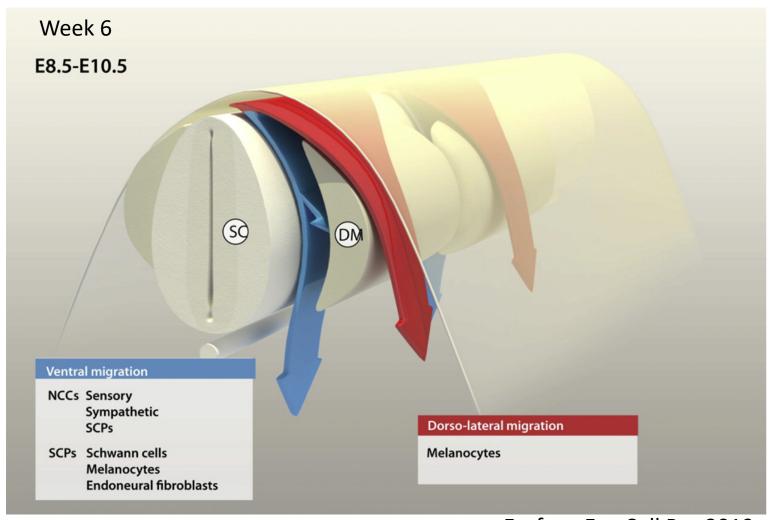
Figure 1. The sites of origin, migration, and arrival of cranial neural crest cells. (A) Embryonic neural tube showing the mesencephalon, metencephalon, and rhombomeres, with the dorsal face of tube coloured to show the location of neural crest before migration. (B) Sagittal view of embryo, showing paths of migration of cranial crest cells. (C) Sagittal view of adult human, showing the origins of various cranial crest derivatives.





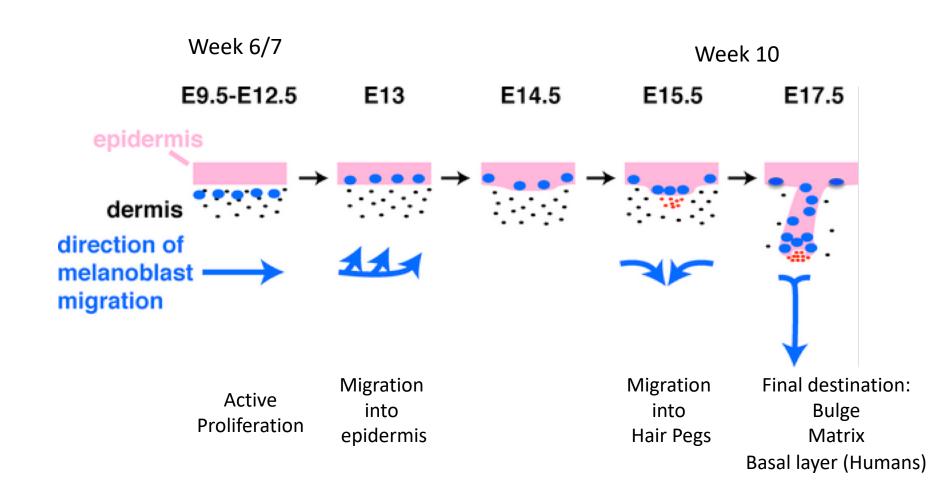


### Melanocyte development Neural crest



Ernfors, Exp Cell Res 2010

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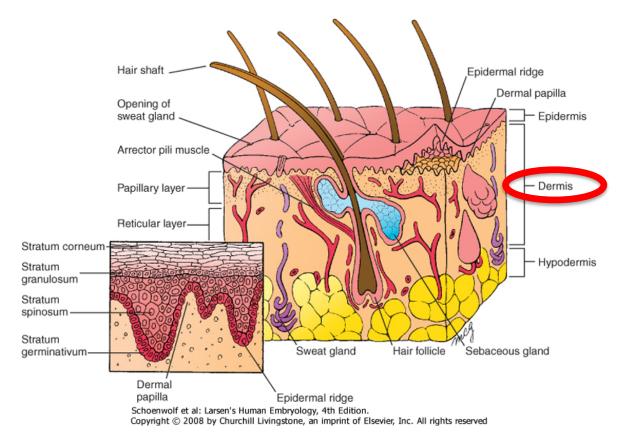


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#### **Dermis**

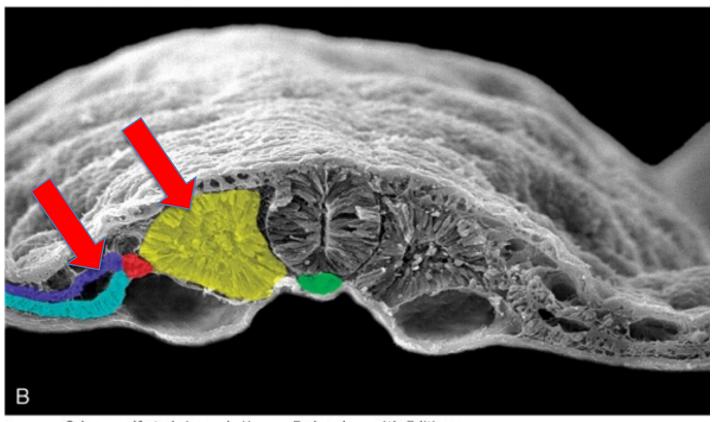
Connective tissue with:

Fibroblasts
Blood vessels
Nerve endings
Sensory receptors
Muscle bundles



## Dermis development

Somitic mesoderm -> trunk
Somatic lateral plate mesoderm -> trunk, limbs
Cranial neural crest derived mesenchyme -> cranial region

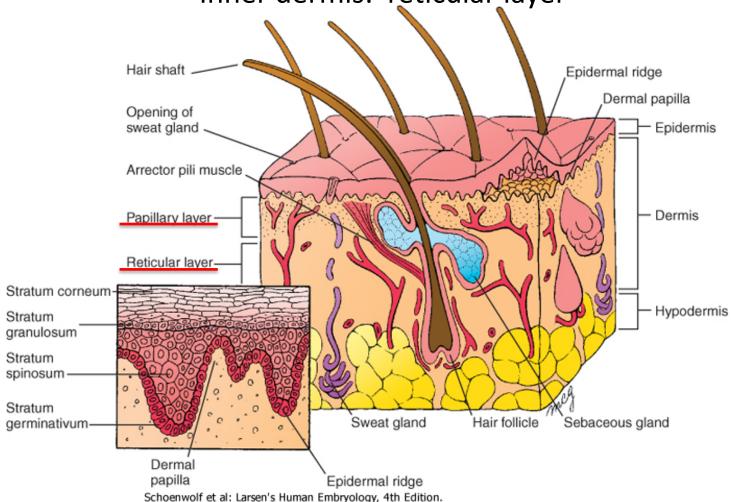


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# Dermis development

3 Months: formation of papillary layer (dermal papillae and epidermal ridges)
Inner dermis: reticular layer



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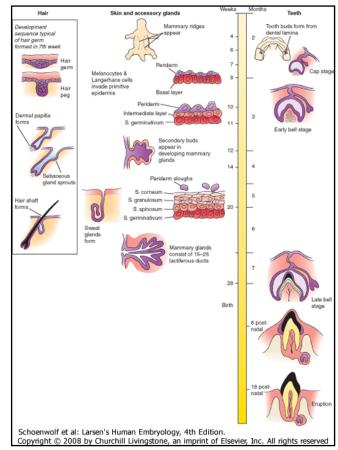
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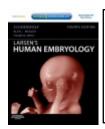
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