

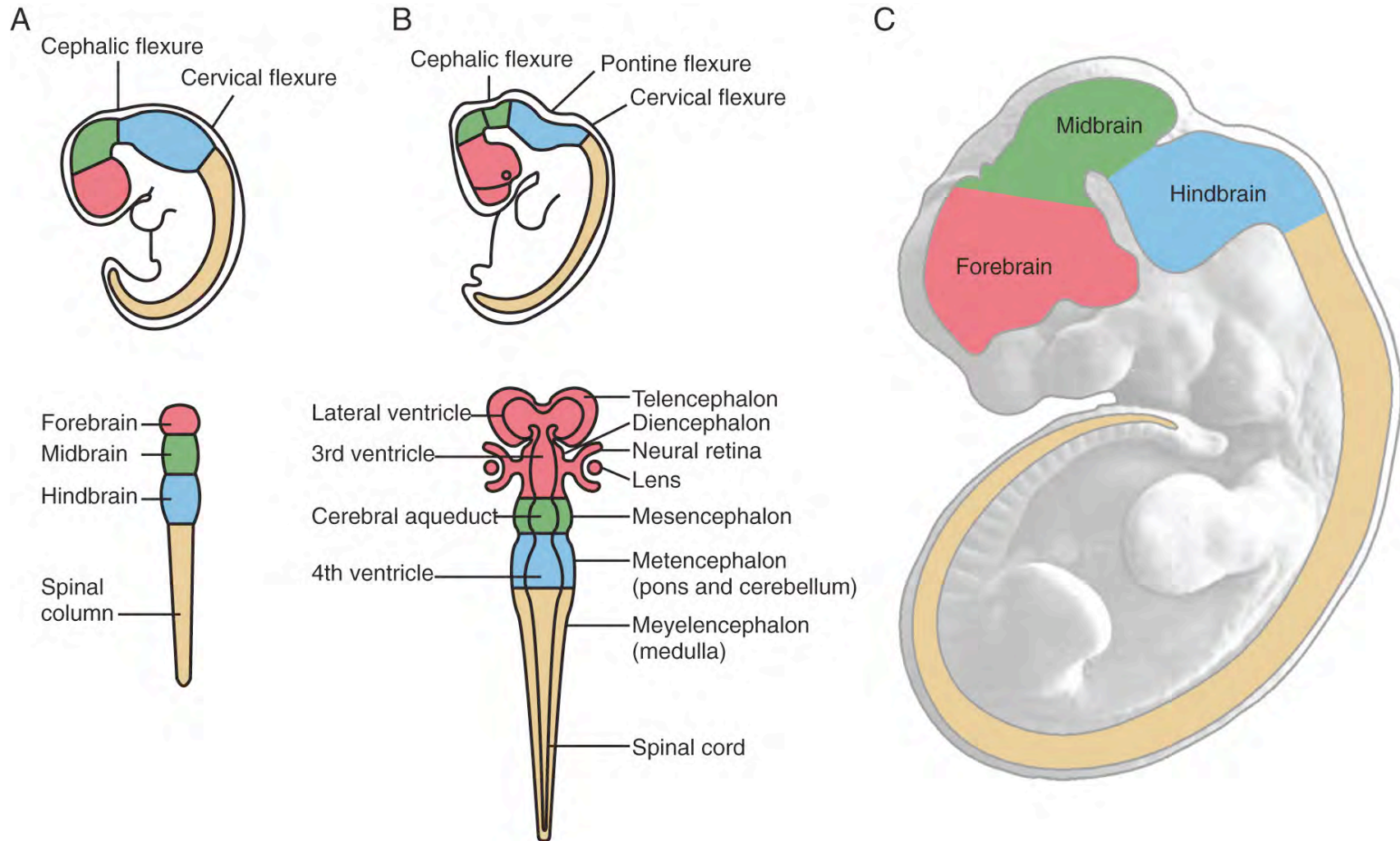
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***“Molecular and Cellular
Approaches to Neural Development***

Lectures ~4-6

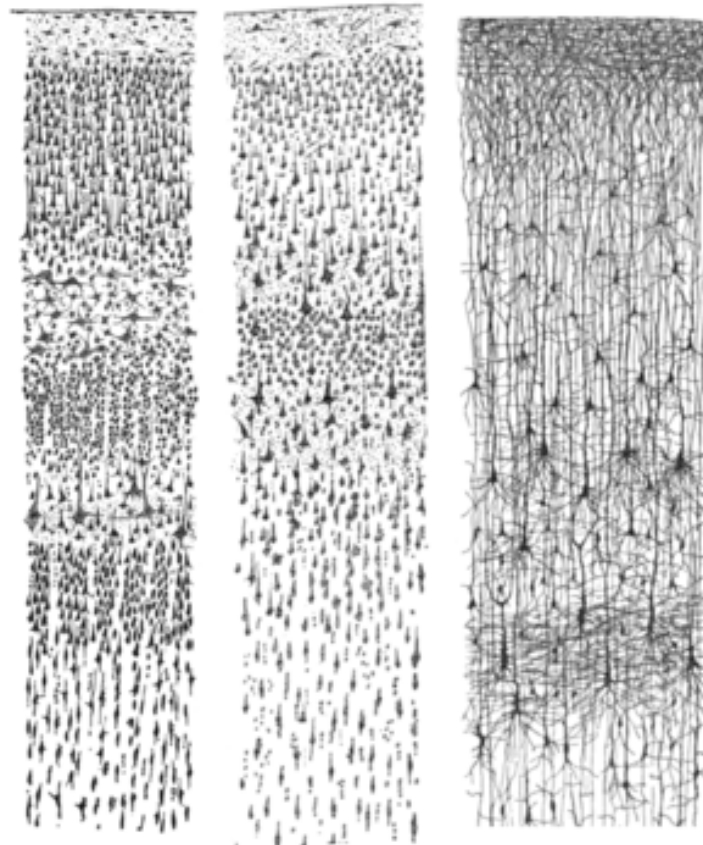
***“Early Neural Development (part 2)”
Neurogenesis, Migration, Polarity and Differentiation
Lecture Set 3***

Proliferation and Differentiation of the Nervous System



*Neuroblast Proliferation occurs in the Neural Tube.....
.....but how do the “cortical layers” form?*

(drawing by Ramon y Cajal)



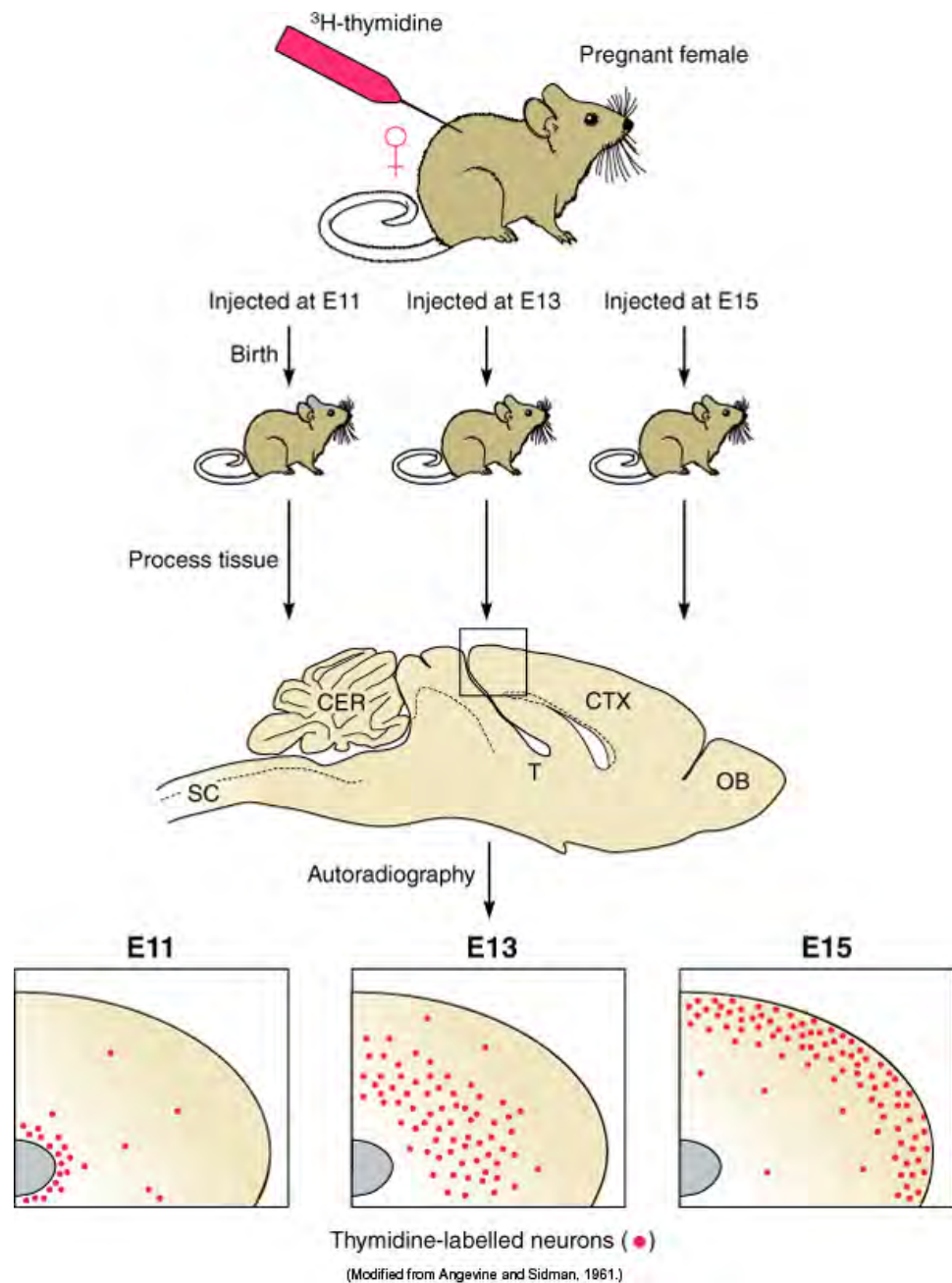
Neuroblast Proliferation occurs in the Neural Tube.....

Where in the tube is cell division occurring?

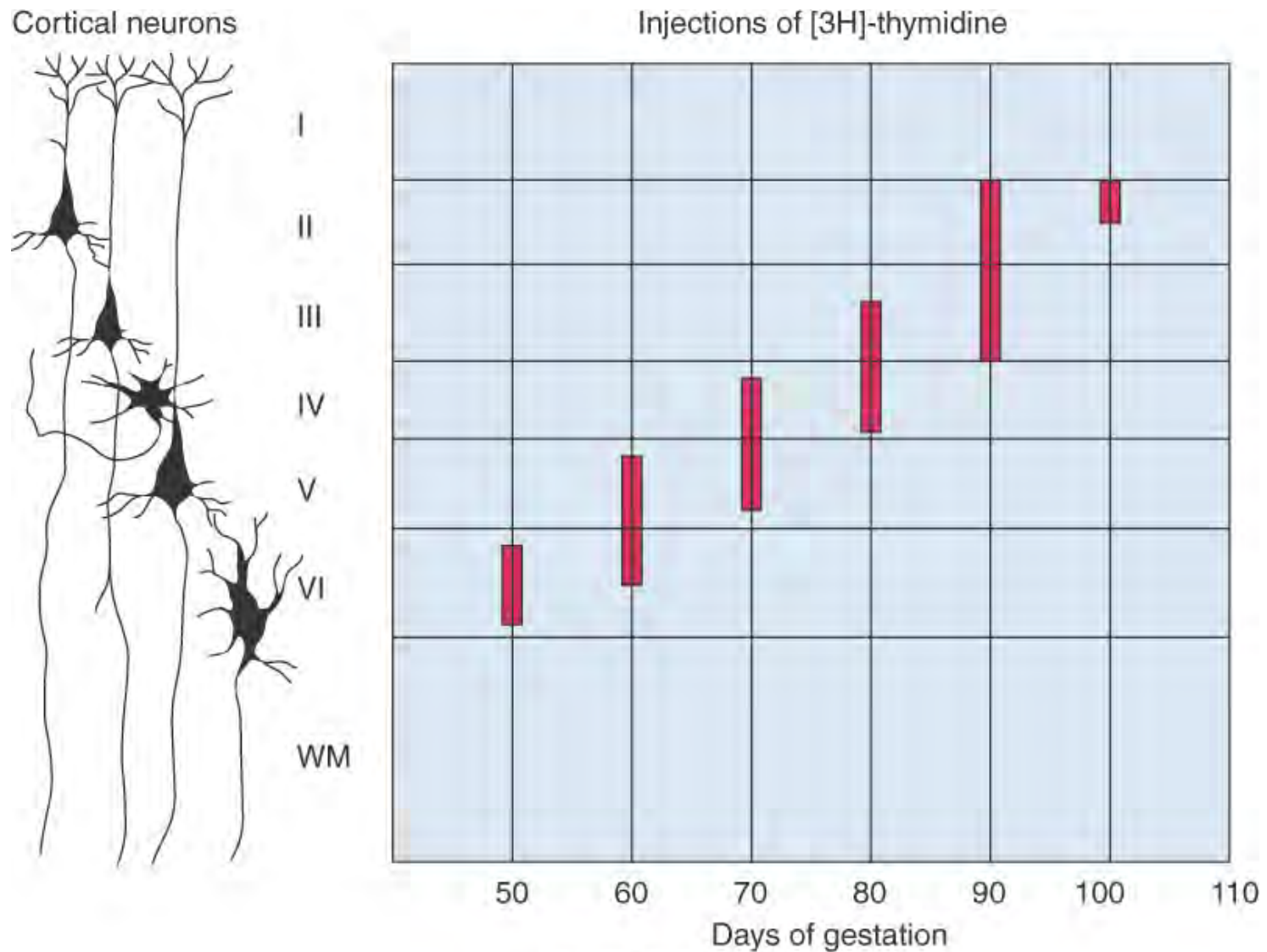
*^3H thymidine “pulse” and “pulse-chase”
labelling experiments*

Birth-dating studies reveal the “inside-out” organization of cerebral cortex

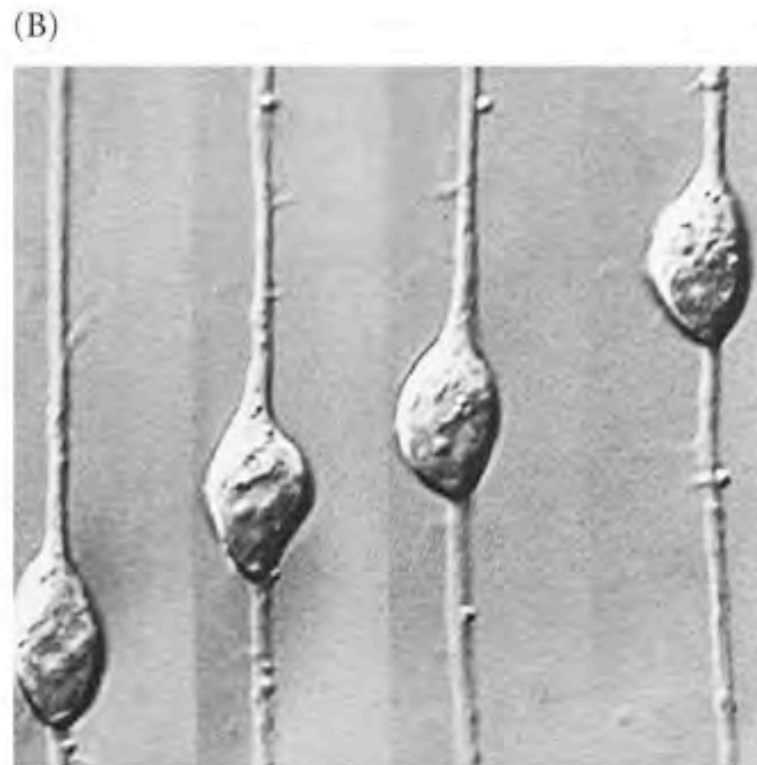
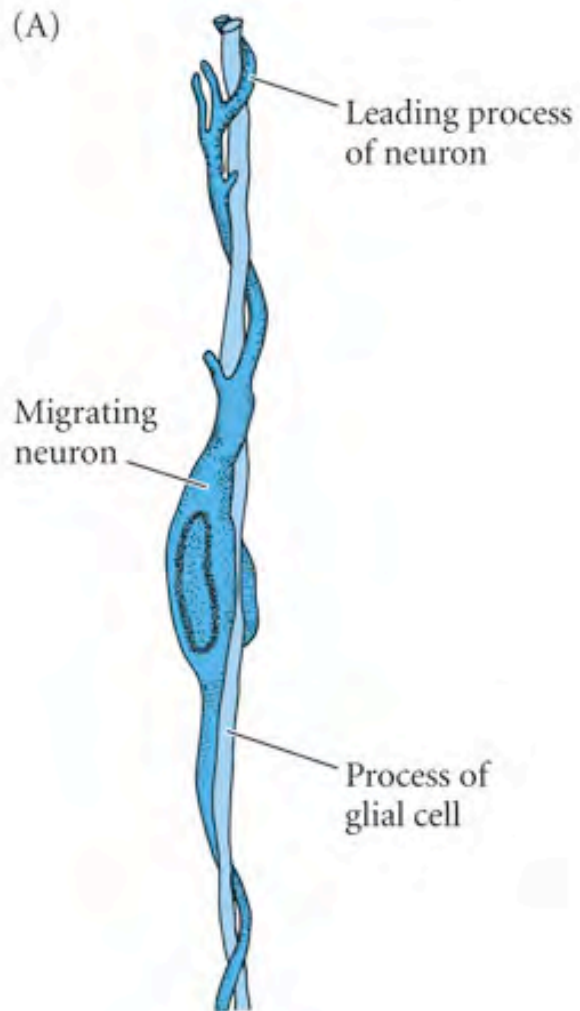
*(Label at E11,13,15;
then assay as adults)*



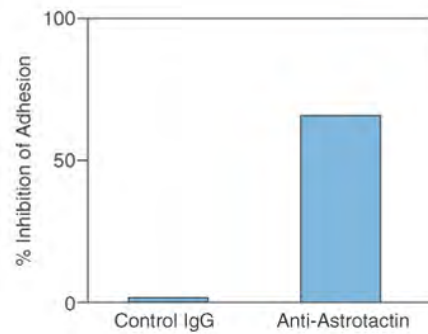
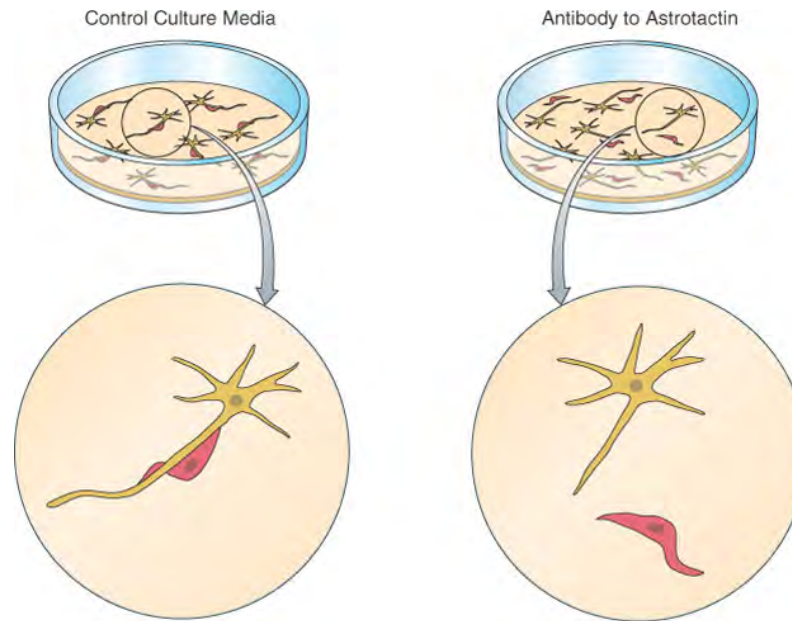
Inside out organization of monkey cerebral cortex



Migration of neurons along radial glia

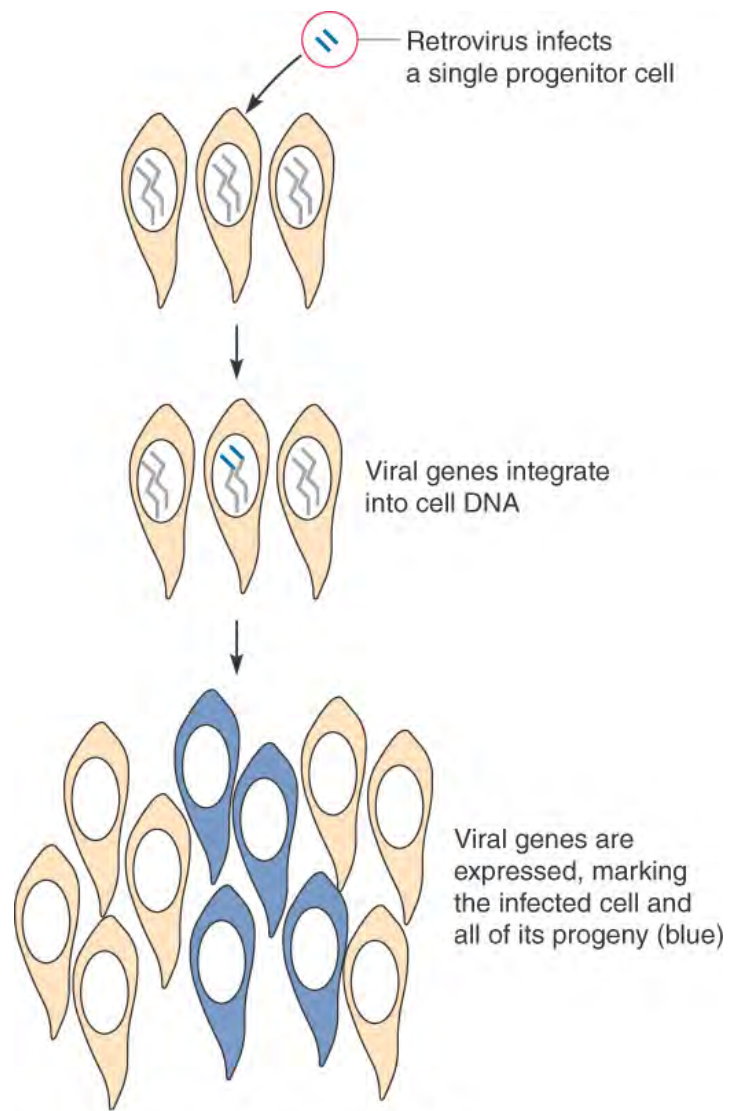


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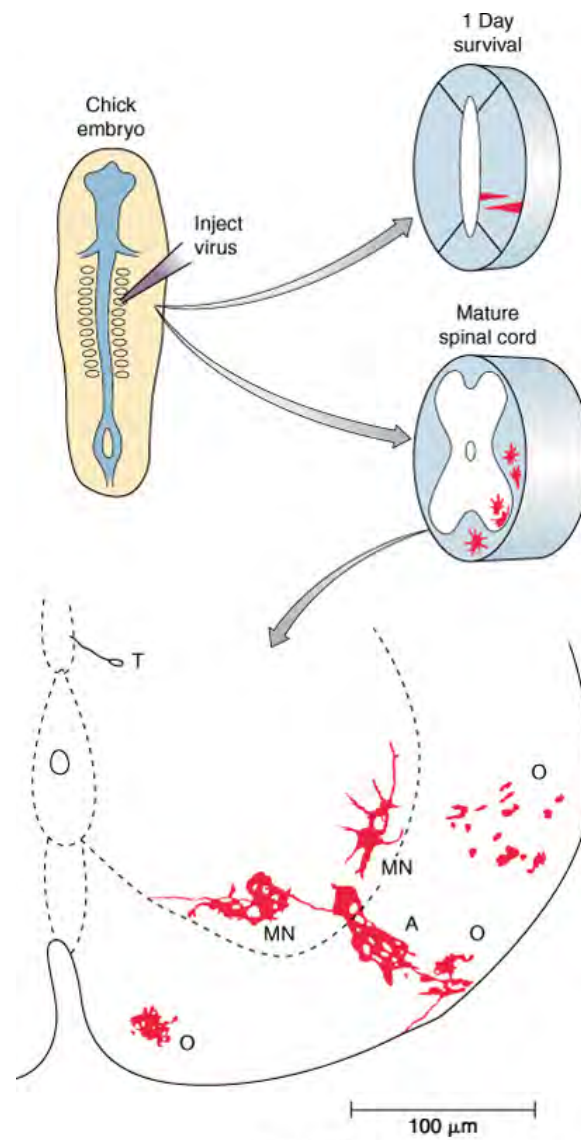


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*Astrotactin is necessary for
migration along glia*



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(Leber et al., 1990).

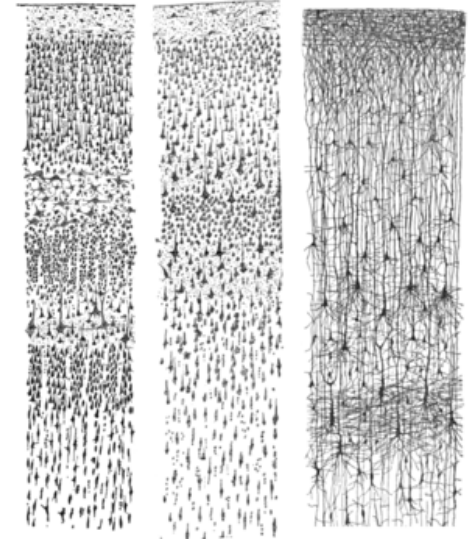
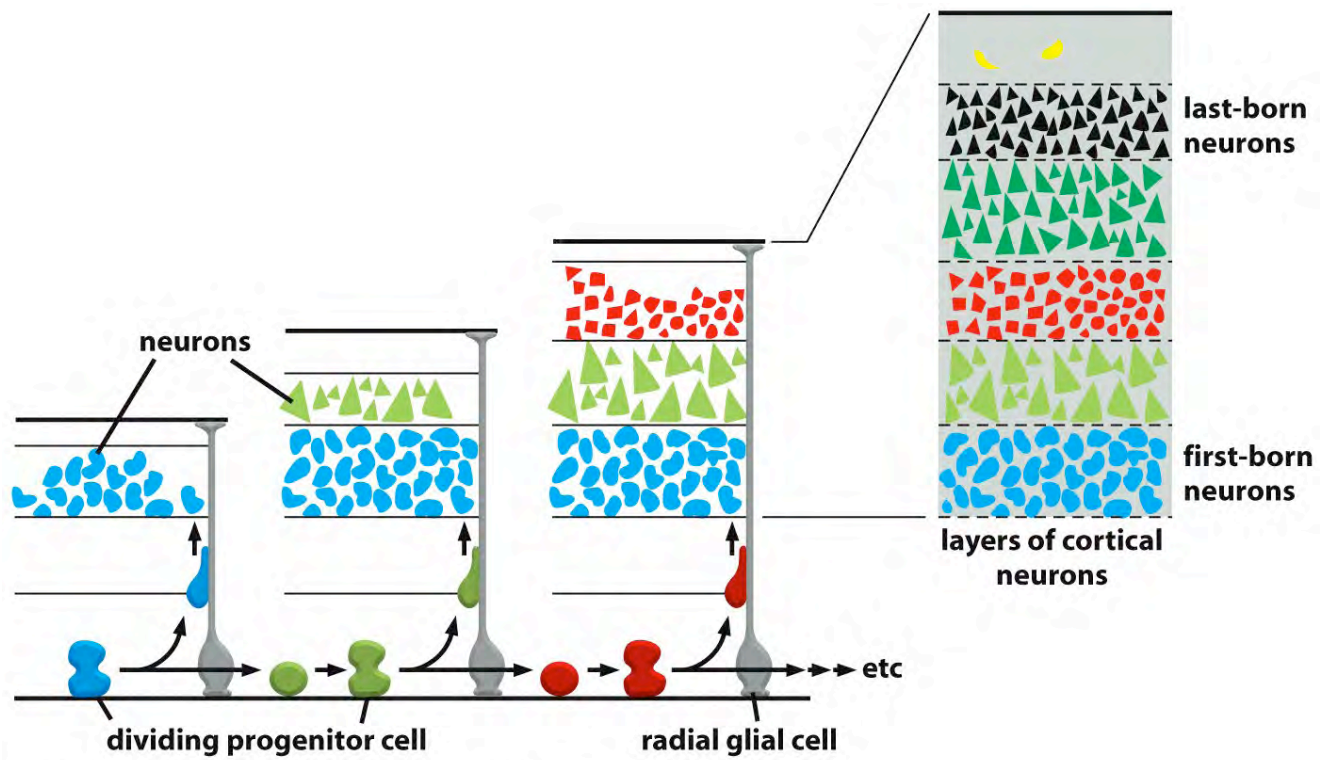
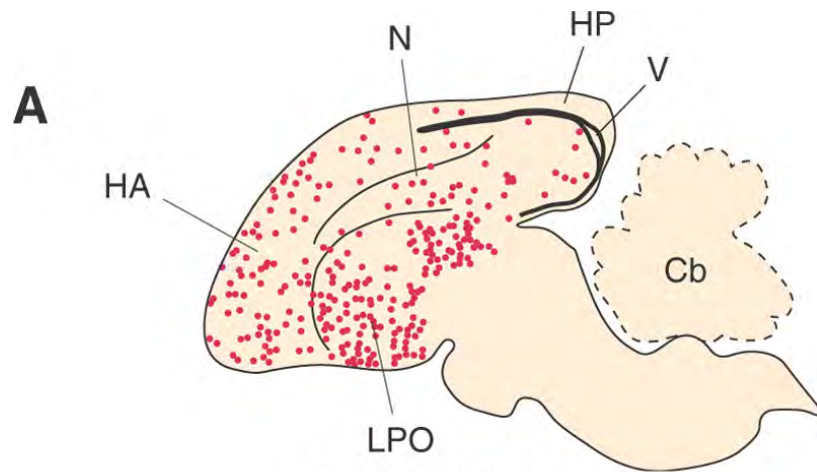


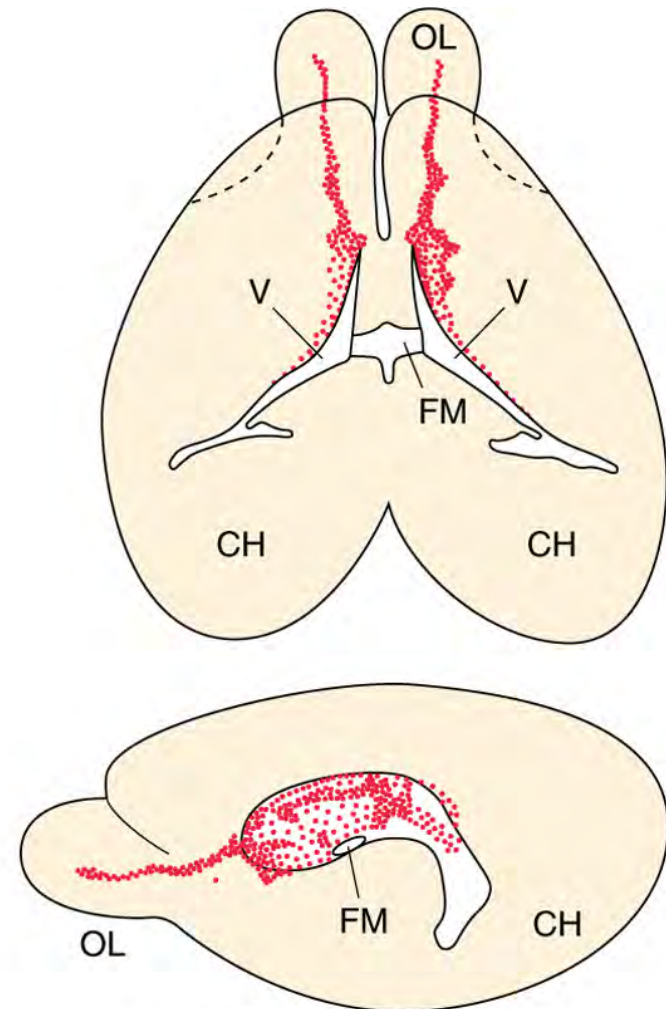
Figure 22-99 Molecular Biology of the Cell 5/e (© Garland Science 2008)

Adult Neurogenesis in Canary and Rodents



(Modified from Smart, 1961; see also Jacobson, 1991).

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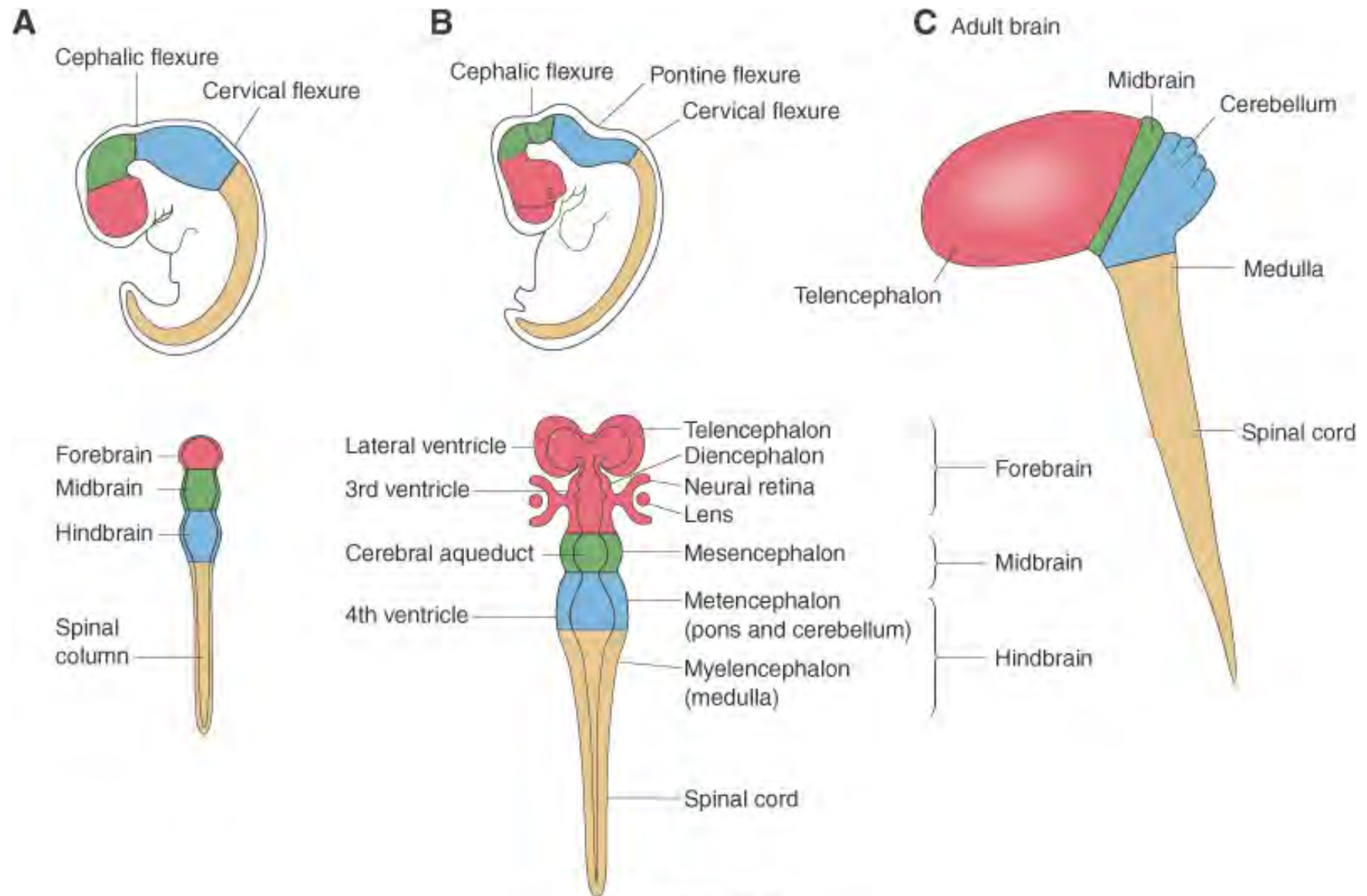


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*How do we get different cell types?
(i.e., polarity and differentiation)*

Intrinsic and/or Extrinsic Influences?

Proliferation and Differentiation of the Nervous System



The environment can influence the fate of neural crest cells

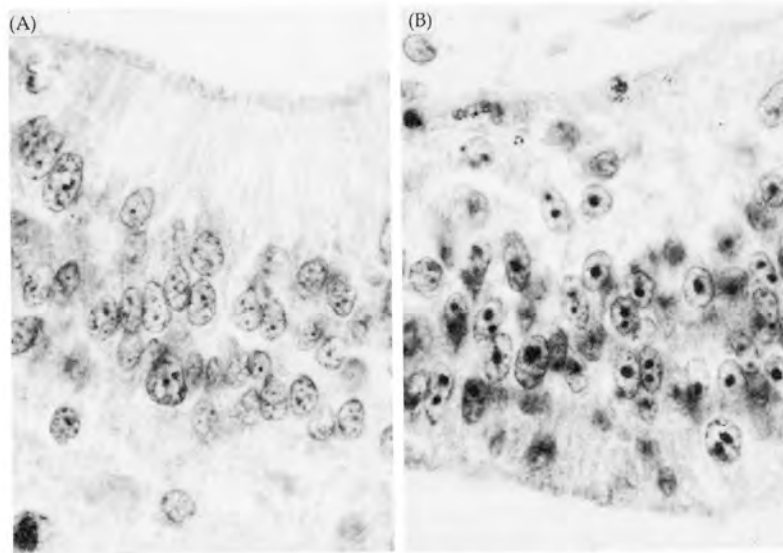
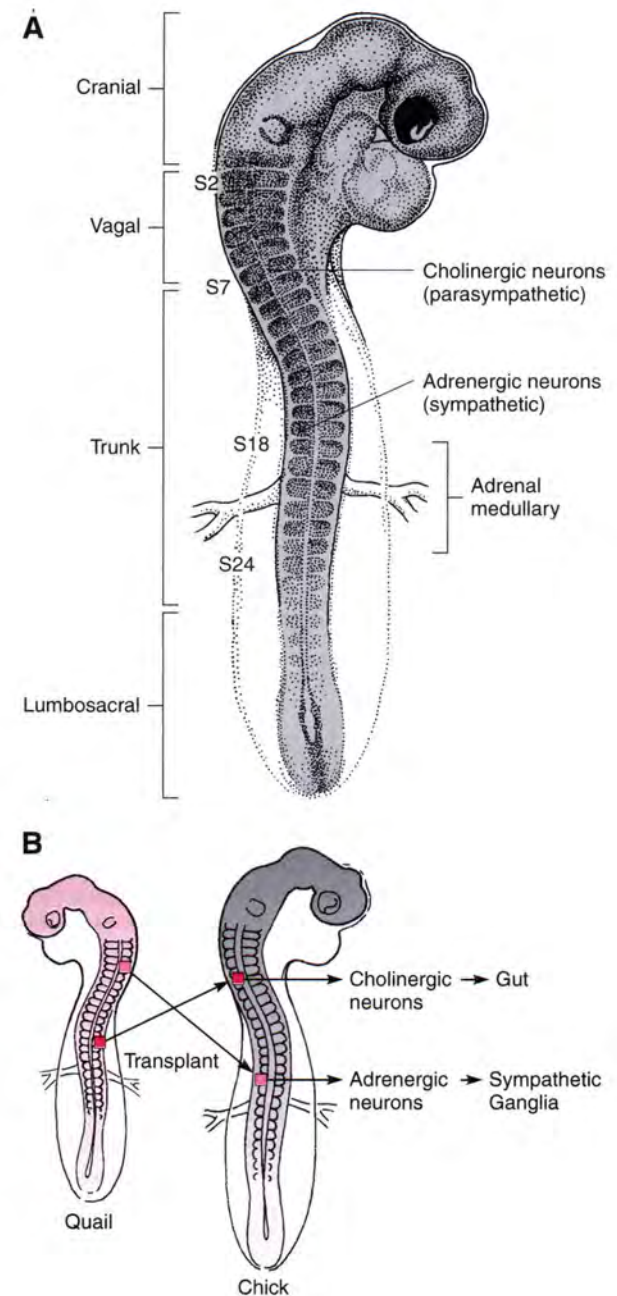
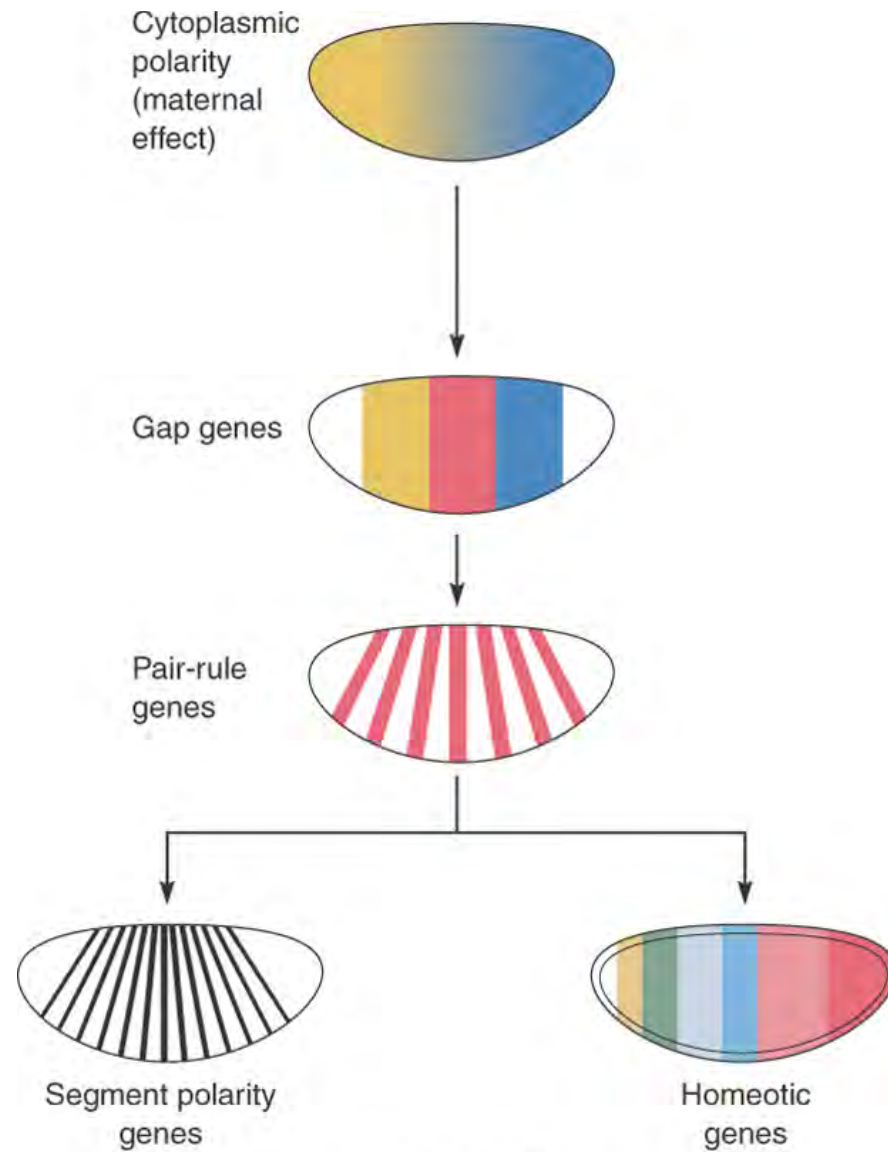


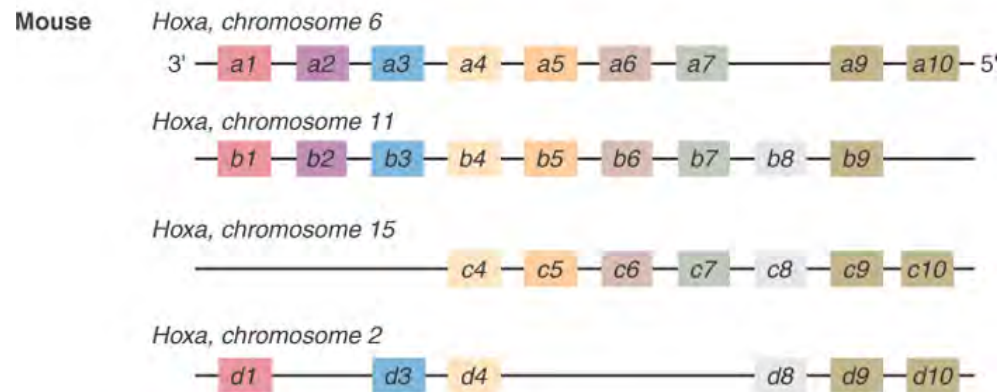
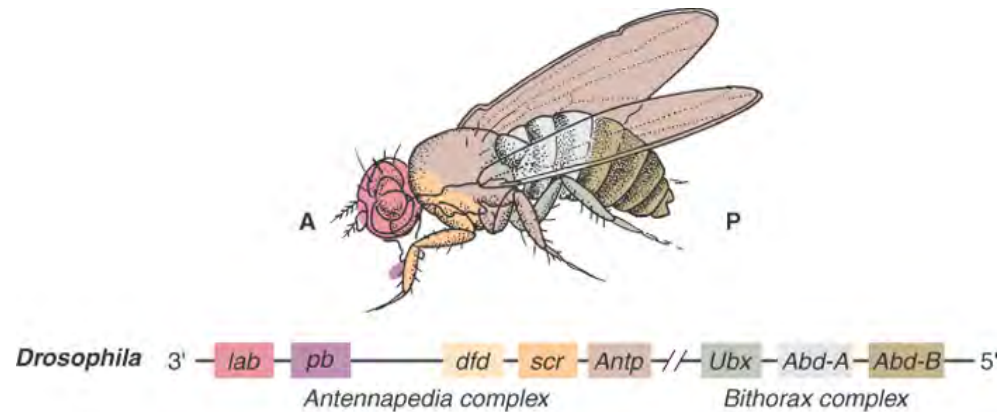
FIGURE 9. Morphological differences between chick and quail cells can be used to assess the fate of interspecies neural crest transplants. Chick cells (A) have less prominent nucleoli than quail cells (B) when stained by the Feulgen technique. These photomicrographs were made from the mesencephalon of 7-day-old embryos. $\times 720$. (Courtesy of N. LeDouarin.)



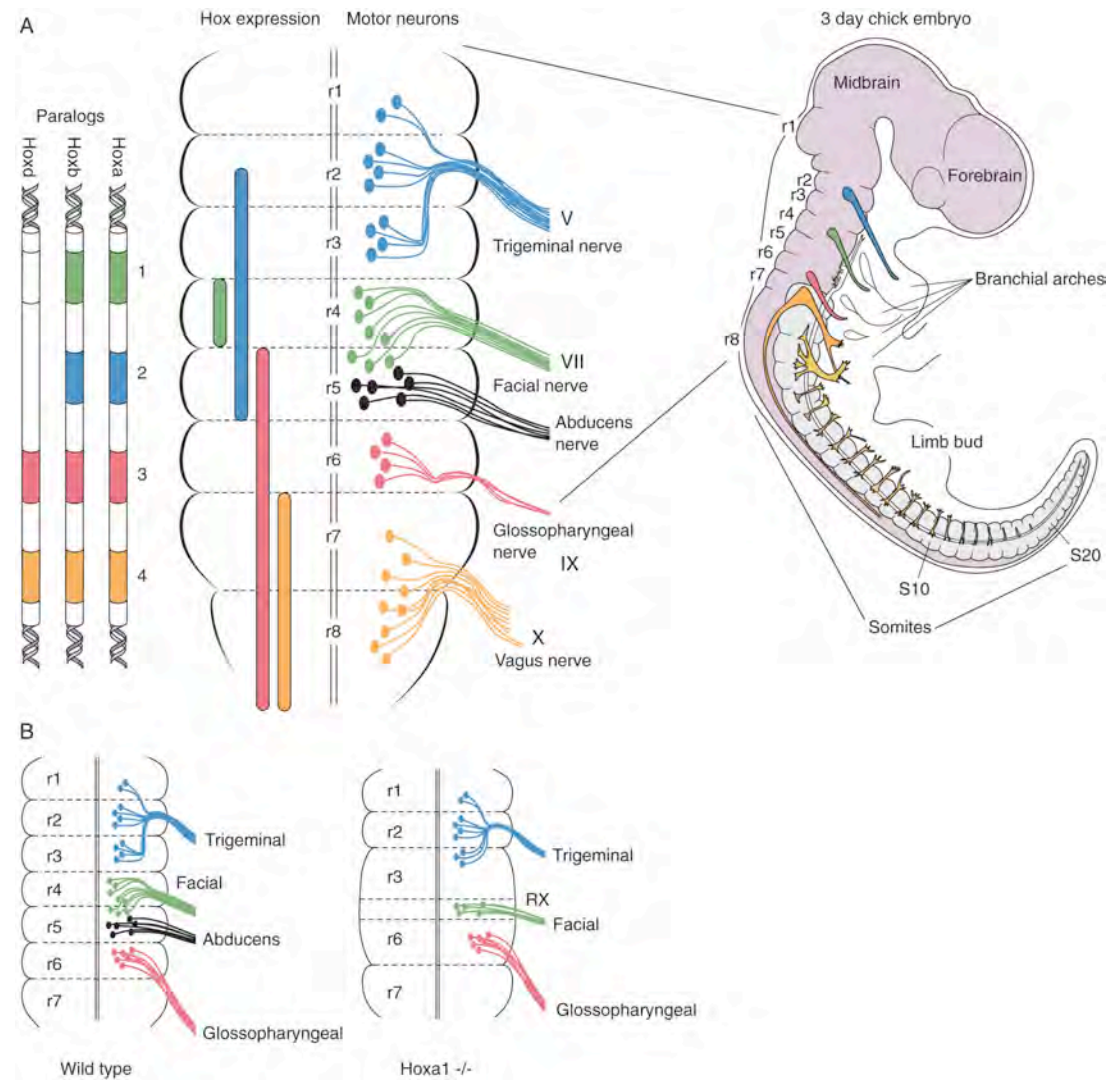
Determining position in a fly



Hox genes are spatially organized in animals and chromosomes

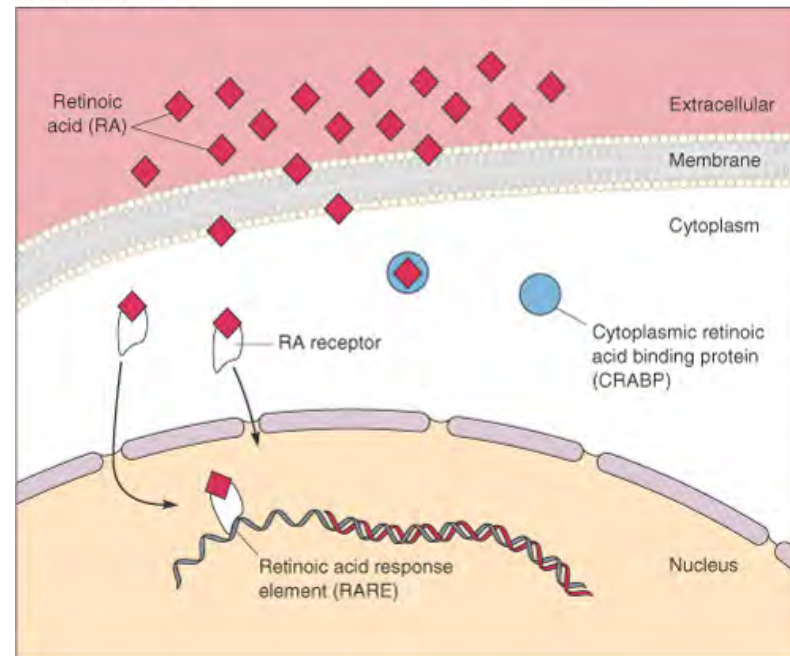


Hox genes and vertebrate hindbrain development

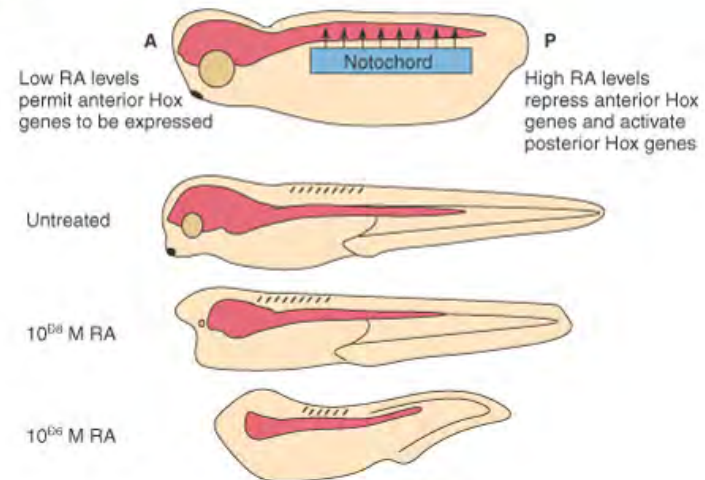


Anterior-Posterior Polarity of the Nervous System: Retinoic Acid

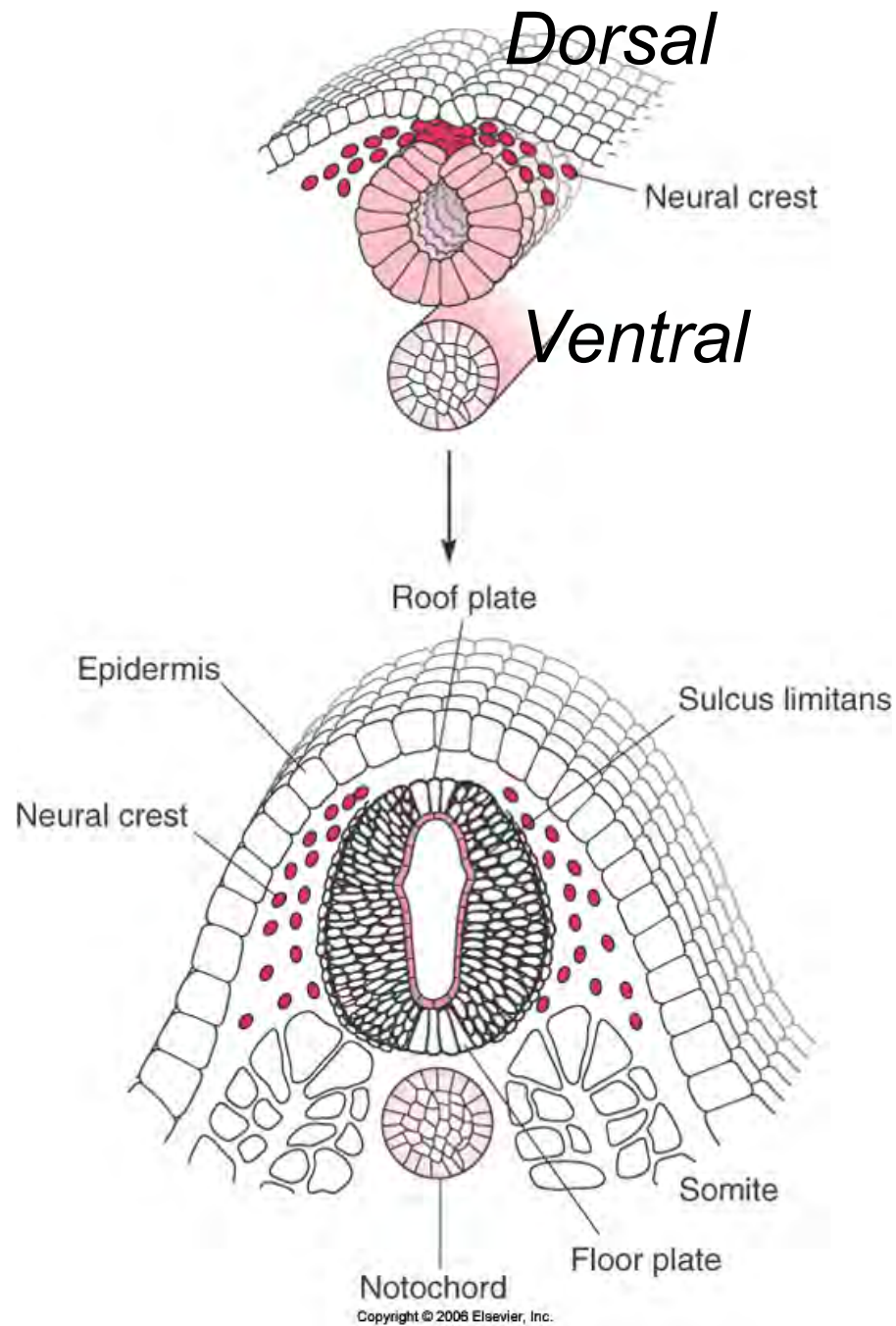
RA signalling system



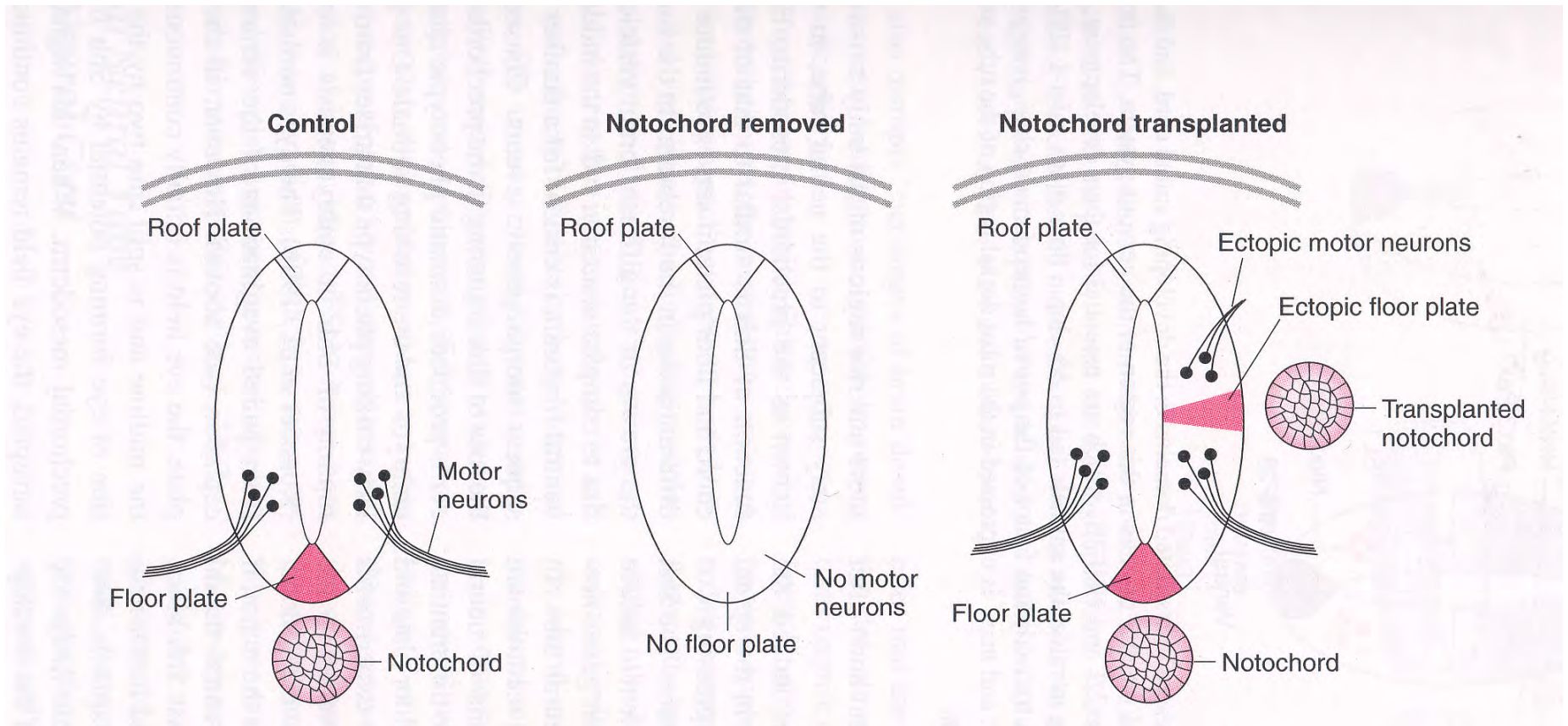
RA in posterior mesoderm at neurula stage



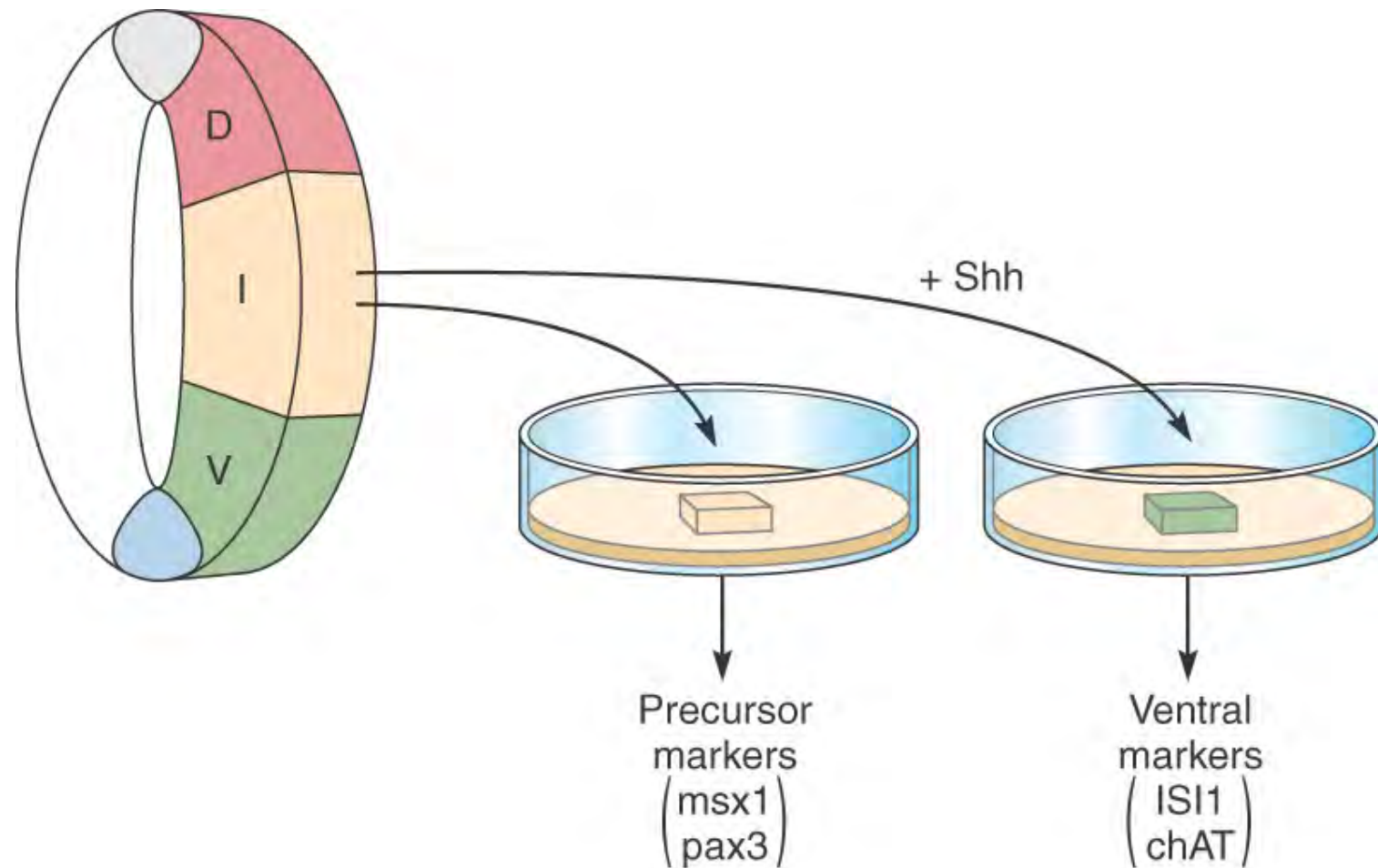
*Dorsal-Ventral
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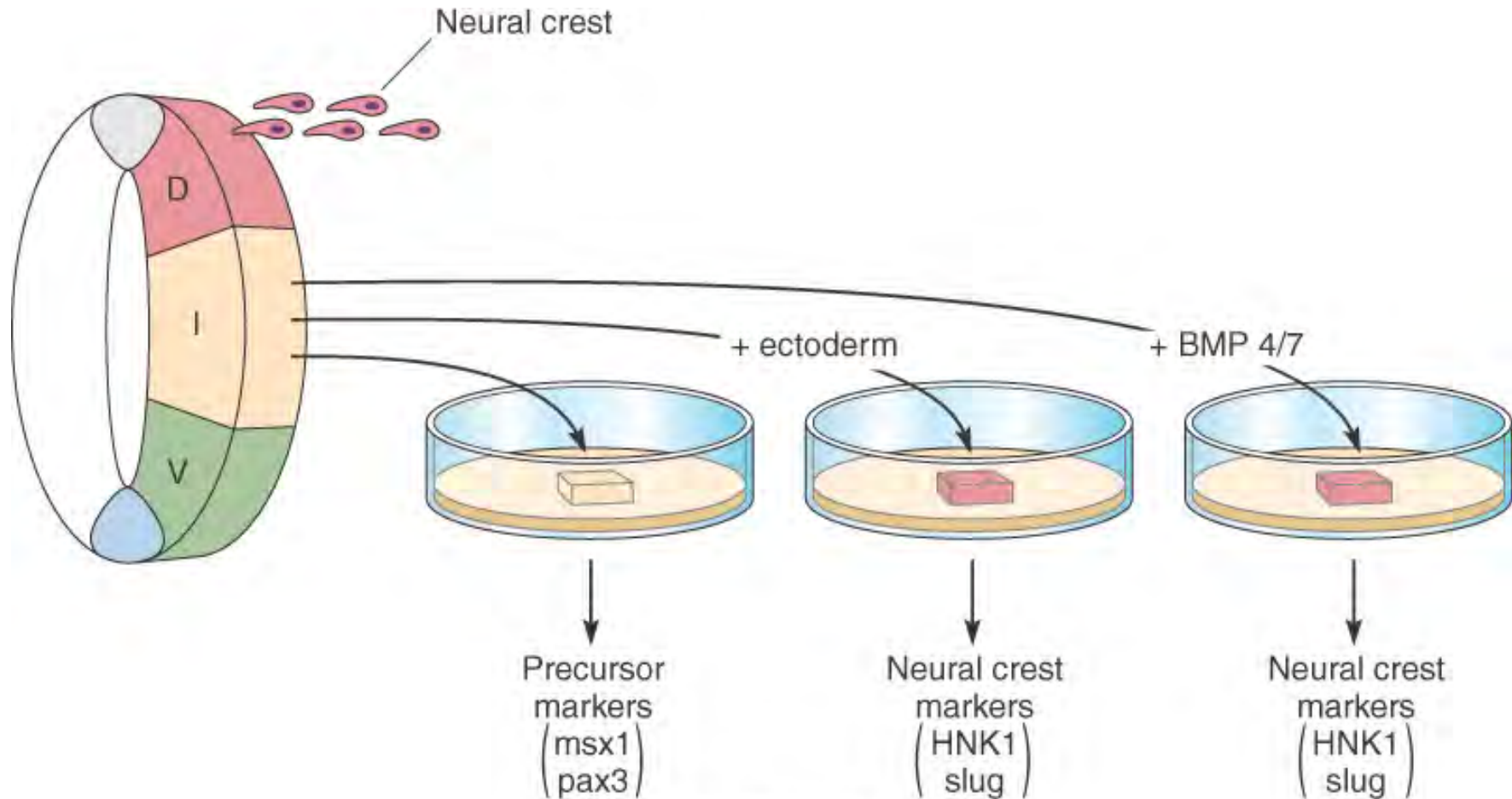
Influence of the notocord on dorsal-ventral polarity of neural tube cell fate



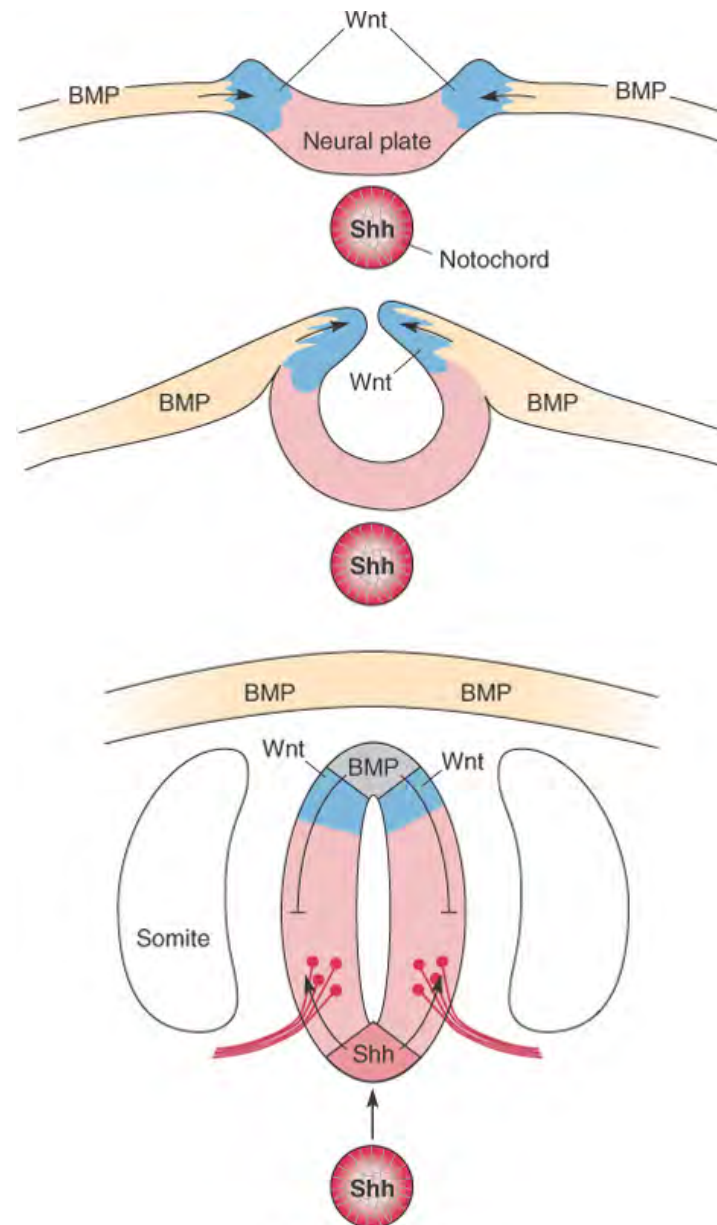
Cell culture system used to identify Shh as a mesodermal factor inducing ventralization of the neural tube

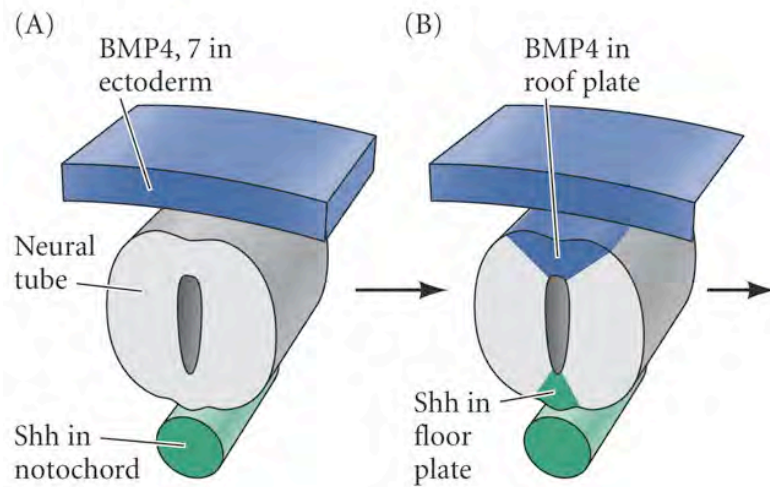


Cell culture system used to examine BMP as a dorsalizing factor for the neural tube

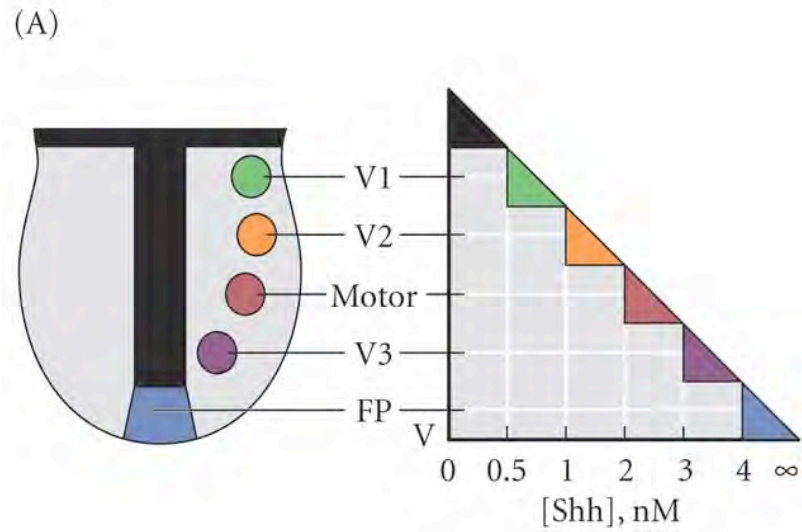
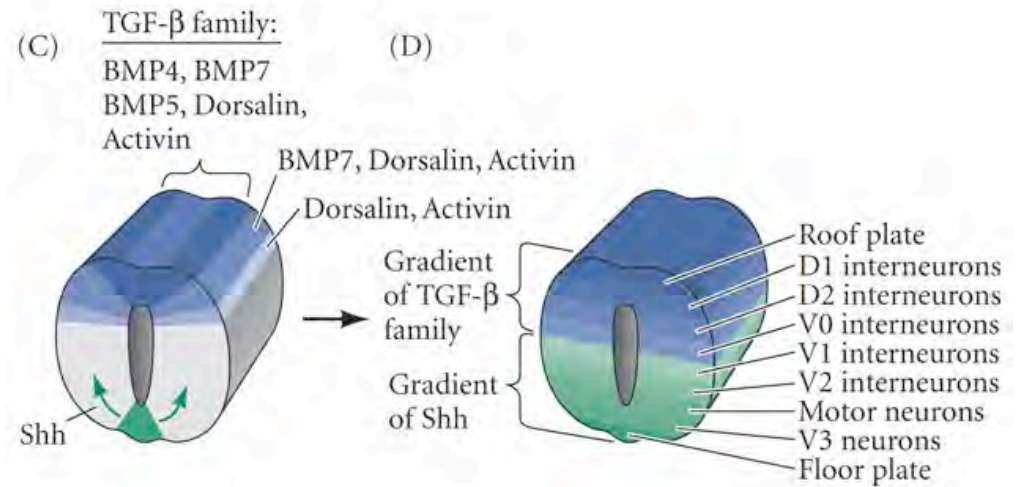


Current model for how
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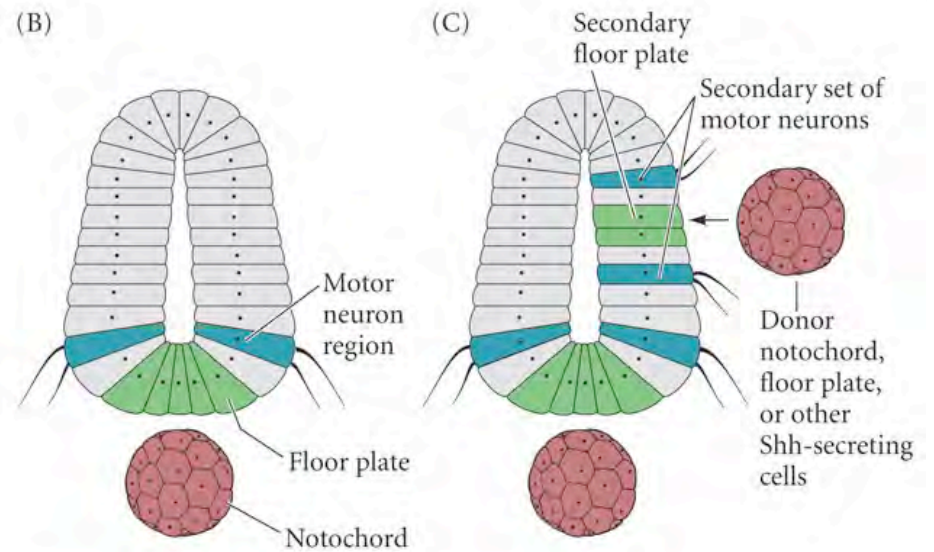




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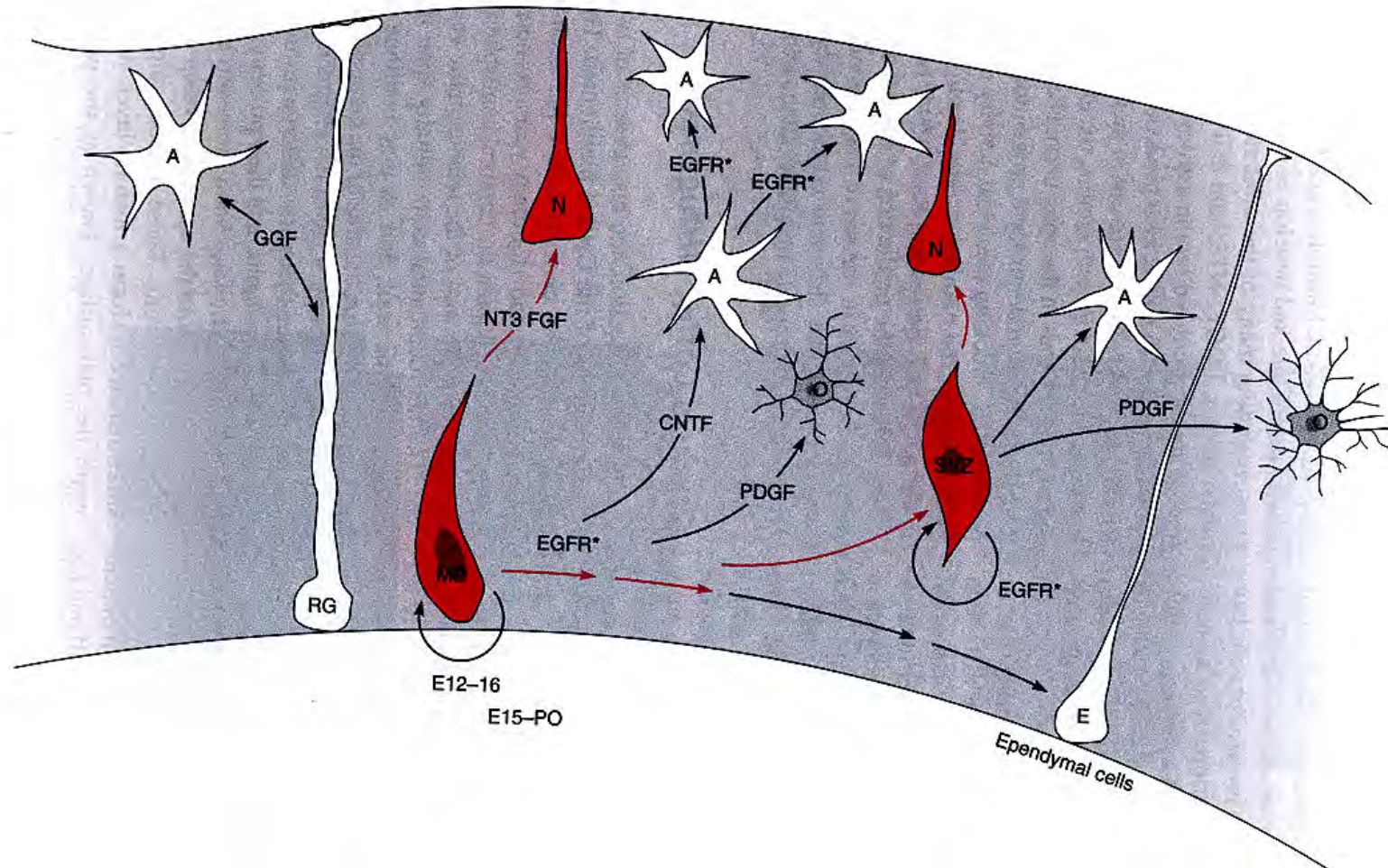


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*Growth factors present in different regions of the CNS
can influence cell fate determination*



Red: neural Grey: oligodendrocyte
White: astrocyte

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