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# **Digestive system**

- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$  The assemblage of organs associated with
  - ingestion of food

- digestion
- absorption
- assimilation
- egestion

# **Components of digestive system**

Digestive system consists of

- · alimentary canal
- · associated digestive glands
- physiology of digeston.

# Alimentary canal

- · Alimentary is a long
- · Anatomy of alimentary canal: Alimentary canal is complex coiled tube
- Location of alimentary canal: Alimentary canal extends from mouth to anus.
- Length of alimentary canal: The length of alimentary canal is
  - **-** (8-10) meters.

# Part of alimentary canal

Alimentary canal consists of following parts:

- Buccal cavity
- Pharynx
- Oesophagus
- Stomach
- Small intestine
- · Large intestine

## Mouth

- Mouth is a small and transverse aperture
- · Location of mouth:
  - Mouth is present at face below the nose.

#### **Contents of mouth**

Mouth consists of

- vestibule
- · buccal cavity.

#### Vestibule

- Vestibule is slit like space.
- Vestibule is externally bounded by lips
- · Vestibule is laterally bounded by cheeks
- · Vestibule is internally the teeth and the gums.

## Lips

- There is the presence of two lips.
- The depression in the upper lip is called philtrum.

# **Buccal cavity**

- The another term for buccal cavity is oral cavity.
- · Location of buccal cavity:
  - Buccal cavity is present between upper jaw and lower jaw.

# Histology of buccal cavity

• Buccal cavity is lined by mucus membrane.

# Parts of buccal cavity

- Palate
- Tonsils
- Tounge
- Teeth

## **Palate**

# Types of palate

The type of palate are:

- anterior palate
- · posterior palate

# Character of anterior palate

- The anterior hard palate is bony
- The anterior hard palate is made up of bones of:
  - maxilla
  - palatine bone
- · Anterior palate contains rugae.

# **Functions of anterior palate**

- Anterior palate separates buccal chamber from nasal chamber.
- Rugae of anterior plate helps to hold food during mastication

# **Character of posterior palate**

- · Posterior palate is
  - soft
  - fleshy
  - smooth

# **Functions of posterior palate**

- The soft palate forms uvula
- The other term for uvula is velum palatine.
- Function of uvula:
  - Uvula closes internal nostril during swallowing of food.

# **Tonsils**

# Histology of tonsils

• Tonsils are lymphoid tissue.

## General location of tonsils

- Tonsils are located at
  - pharynx
  - oral cavity

# Types of tonsils

The types of tonsils are:

- Nasopharyngeal tonsils
- Tubal tonsils

- Lingual tonsils
- Palatine tonsils

# Location of nasopharyngeal tonsils

· Nasopharyngeal tonsils are present in the nasopharynx.

#### **Location of tubal tonsils**

• Tubal tonsils located posterior to the opening of Eustachian tube

# Location of lingual tonsils

· Lingual tonsils are situated on the posterior part of the tongue

# Location of palatine tonsils

• Palatine are present in the oropharynx.

#### **Tonsilitis**

Tonsilitis is the inflammation of palatine tonsils.

# Tongue:

## Structure of tounge

The tongue is described as a structure featuring characteristics of :

- large
- muscular
- · highly mobile

### **Location of tounge**

Tongue is present in the floor of buccal cavity.

# Terms related to tounge

## Frenulum Linguae :

- The tongue is attached to the floor of mouth cavity by a fold called frenulum linguae.

## · Ebners / Weber glands:

- Ebners glands are the glands present on the surface of tongue.

#### · Sulcus terminalis:

- Structure dividing tongue into two parts as:
  - \* pharyngeal
  - \* papillary part.

# Papillae in tongue

## Location of papillae in tongue

• The dorsal surface of tongue has the presence of lingual papillae.

# Types of papipplae

- The types of papillae are:
  - vallate papillae
  - filiform papillae
  - fungiform papillae

## Vallate papillae

## Location of vallate papillae

Vallate papillae is located at the base of the tounge.

## Structure of vallate papillae

- · Vallate papillae are the largest.
- They are arranged in an inverted V manner.

#### Number of vallate papillae

• Vallate papillae are 8-12 in number.

# Fungiform papillae

# Location of fungiform papillae

Fungiform papillae is situated at the + tip of the tongue + lateral edges of tongue

# Structure of fungiform papillae

- Fungiform papillae are
  - mushroom shaped structures

# Filiform papillae

• Filiform papillae are the smallest of all papillae.

## Quantity of filiform papillae

• Filiform papillae are present on two third of tongue.

# **Functions of tongue**

- The functions of tongue are:
  - Tongue assists in mastication
  - Tongue assists in swallowing
  - Tongue assists in speech.
  - Tongue helps to find taste.

## Teeth

#### Characteristics of human teeth

- The human teeth is characterized as:
  - Thecodont
    - \* The codont is a term for teeths embedded in jaw socket.
  - Bunodont
    - \* Bunodont are teeths having low cups.
  - Heterodont
    - \* Heterodont are those having different types of teeth.
  - Diphyodont
    - \* Diphyodont are those having two sets of teeth.

## **Shape of teeth of humans**

- · The teeth of human are:
  - incisors
    - \* Incisors are characterized with with sharp, chisel-like cutting edges.
  - canine
    - \* Canine are characterized with with pointed dagger-shaped structures.
  - premolar and molar
    - \* Premolar and molar are structures with broad and grooved cusps.

#### **Dental formula**

Dental formula is the arrangement of teeth in respective jaw.

- The dental formula for human milk teeth is:
  - **-** 12/2
  - C1/1
  - PM 0/0
  - M 2/2
- The dental formula for arrangement of human permanent teeth is:
  - **-** 12/2
  - C 1/1
  - PM 2/2
  - M 3/3

# Structure of tooth

Tooth consists of following three parts - Crown - Neck - Root

#### Crown

- Crown is the exposed part of tooth.
- · Crown is covered with hardest shining substance called enamel.
- A layer of dentine is present below enamel.

#### Neck

Neck is the part surrounded by gum.

#### **Root**

- · Root is the part embedded in bony socket.
- Root is covered by a protective and supportive hard layer called cementum.
- There is the presence of pulp cavity
- Pulp cavity is filled with nerve fibres, blood vessels.
- · Pulp cavity is lined by odontoblasts.
- Enamel is secreted by ameloblasts
- · Ameloblasts are of ectodermal origin.
- Dentine is secreted by odontoblasts.
- · Odontoblasts are of mesodermal origin.

#### Facts about teeth

- Third molar is called wisdom tooth.
- Third molar erupts between 17-25 years.

#### **Function of teeth**

- Teeth help in mastication
- Teeth help in speech production.

# **Pharynx**

## **Dimension of pharynx**

- Pharynx is about 12 cm long.
- Location of pharynx: Pharynx is a vertical canal beyond the soft palate.

# **Types of Pharynx**

- Nasopharynx
- Oropharynx
- Laryngopharynx

# Nasopharynx

- Nasopharynx is the upper part of pharynx.
- Nasopharynx has internal nares in the roof.
- · Nasopharynx has a pair of Eustachian opening on lateral side.

# Oropharynx

- Oropharynx is the lower part of the pharynx.
- The function of oropharynx is for the passage for food.

## Laryngopharynx

- Laryngopharynx is the lowest part of the pharynx.
- · Laryngopharynx has two apertures-anterior slit-like glottis.
- · Laryngopharynx posterior gullet.
- Glottis bears epiglottis.
- Epiglottis is a leaf like cartilaginous flap.

# **Function of pharynx**

• Pharynx passages the food from mouth cavity to the oesophagus.

# Oesophagus:

# **Structure of Oesophagus**

- · Oesophagus is a
  - muscular
  - long
  - narrow
  - elastic tube

# **Dimensions of Oesophagus**

The oesophagus is about 25cm in length.

## **Location of Oesophagus**

- The oesophagus passes through the diaphragm .
- The oesophagus opens in the stomach in the abdomen.
- Oesophagus pierces the diaphragm at hiatus.

## **Histology of Oesophagus**

- Oesophagus is lined with stratified squamous epithelium.
- · Oesophagus contains goblets cells.
- · Oesophagus does not contain digestive glands.

## **Anatomy of Oesophagus**

- The upper end of oesophagus is closed by circo oesophageal sphincter.
- The lower end of oesophagus id closed by oesophageal sphincter.

# **Functions of Oesophagus**

- Oesophagus passes food from the pharynx to the stomach.
- The passage of food from pharynx to stomach is done by peristalsis.

## **Stomach**

#### **Location of stomach**

Stomach is situated on the left side of abdominal cavity.

#### Structure of stomach

- Stomach is the broadest part of alimentary canal.
- Stomach is J-shaped structure.
- Stomach has lesser and greater curvatures.

#### Parts of stomach

- · Stomach is divided into two parts.
- The parts of stomach are:
  - cardiac
  - pyloric

#### Cardiac

# Parts of cardiac portion

- The larger cardiac part is further subdivided into two parts.
- The two parts of the cardiac portion are:
  - fundus
  - body

#### **Fundus**

- Fundus is the upper convex dome- shaped part.
- Fundus is situated above the level of cardiac orifice.

#### **Body**

Body lies between fundus and pyloric antrum.

# **Pyloric**

- Pyloric part is divided into two parts.
- The parts of the pyloric portion of the stomach are:
  - pyloric antrum
  - pyloric canal

## Pyloric canal

- Pyloric canal is a narrow and tubular structure.
- The right end of the pyloric canal ends at the pylorus.

## **Pyloric antrum**

Pyloric antrum is the right narrow lower portion of the stomach.

## **Anatomy of stomach**

Stomach has two openings The openings of the stomach are : The cardiac orifice The cardiac orifice is guarded by cardiac sphincter

and pyloric orifice guarded by pyloric sphincter. **Gastric Rugae**: + Gastric rugae is the folds of the muscosa. + Gastric rugae is seen only in empty stomach.

# **Histology of Stomach**

• The mucosal lining of the stomach has gastric glands.

#### **Functions of stomach**

- · Stomach acts as storage of food.
- Stomach processes mechanical churning of food.
- Stomach conducts partial digestion.
- Stomach conducts the limited absorption of water, alcohol etc.

## Intestine

#### Location of intestine

- Intestine is the longest and coiled part of alimentary canal.
- · Intestine is located behind the stomach.

#### **Parts of intestine**

- Intestine is divided into two parts .
- The two parts of intestine are:
  - small intestine
  - large intestine.

## Small intestine:

#### Structure of small intestine

Small intestine is the longest and coiled part of intestine

#### Parts of small intestine

- The small intestine is divisible into three parts
- The three parts of the small intestine are:
  - duodenum
  - jejunum
  - ileum

#### **Structure of Duodenum**

Duodenum is C shaped curved tube.

### **Anatomy of Duodenum**

- · Duodenum receives bile from gall bladder
- Duodenum receives pancreatic juice from pancreas
- The bile and pancreatic juice are received through a common hepatopancreatic duct.
- The opening of hepatopancreatic ampulla is guarded by sphincter of Oddi.
- The wall of duodenum contains crypts of Lieberkuhn
- The wall of duodenum contains branched Brunner's glands.

#### **Structure of Jejunum**

- Jejunum is the middle part of small intestine.
- · Jejunum is narrower than duodenum.

## **Anatomy of Jejunum**

- The jejunum has larger but thick walled villi.
- The villi of jejunum does not absorb digested food.

#### Structure of Ileum

- The ileum is the longest part of the small intestine.
- · The ileum is the highly coiled part of small intestine

## **Anatomy of Ileum**

- · The wall of ileum is thinner and less vascular
- The inner surface is provided with numerous villi.
- Villi greatly increase the surface area for absorption.
- · Lamina propria of ileum contains granular masses of lymph nodules
- The granular masses of lymph nodules in the lamina propria of ileum called Peyer's patches.

#### Functions of small intestine

Functions: Small intestine serves two main functions; i) - Small intestine completes the digestion of food. - Small intestine absorbs the digested food.

# Large intestine

#### Dimesnsional properties of large intetsine

- · Large intestine is thicker small intestine.
- Large intestine is wider than small intestine.

## Location of large intestine

- Large intestine surrounds the small intestine.
- Large intestine is present in the lower abdominal cavity.

## Shape of large intestine

· Large intestine has general shape of an inverted U.

## Parts of large intestine

- · Large intestine has three parts.
- The parts of large intestine are:
  - caecum
  - colon
  - rectum

## Caecum:

#### Structure of caecum

· Caecum is a dilated sac like structure.

#### Ileo Caecal valve

- The junction of ileum with caecum is called ileo-caecal junction.
- The ileo caecal junction is guarded by ileo-caecal valve.

## **Vermiform appendix**

- Vermiform appendix is a short, slender worm -like projection.
- · Vermiform appendix is present in the caecum.

## Colon:

## Structure of colon

• Colon is long and ucoiled tube.

# Shape of colon

• The shape of colon is inverted U shaped tube.

#### Parts of colon

- · Colon is divided into 4 parts.
- The parts of colon are:
  - ascending colon
  - transverse colon
  - descending colon
  - sigmoid colon.

# Histology of colon

- The wall of colon has three longitudinal bands
- The bands of wall of colon are called taeniae coli.

#### **Rectum**

# **Composition of rectum**

• Rectum is made up of muscles.

#### **Functions of rectum**

- Rectum stores undigested food.
- The time of storage of food is for short period.

# Functions of large intestine

- The functions of large intestine are:
  - absorption of water
  - defaecation
  - synthesis of vitamin K
  - synthesis of vitamin B complex.

## Anus:

- · Anal sphincter guard the anus.
- Anal sphincter are two in number.

# Types of anal sphincter

- The types of anal sphincter are:
  - Internal anal sphincter
  - External anal sphincter
- Internal anal sphincter is made up of smooth muscles.
- External anal sphincter is made up of striated muscles.

# **Digestive Glands**

- Based in the nature of action of digestive glands they are divsible into :
  - associated digestive glands
    - \* Associated digestive glands interact with digestion by producing ducts
  - glands at the ailementary canal.

## Associated digestive glands

- The types of associated digestive glands are:
  - salivary glands
  - liver
  - pancreas

# Glands at the ailementary canal

• The glands at the ailementary canal are:

- intestinal glands
- gastric glands

# Role of digestive glands

- · Digestive glands secrete digestive juices.
- · Digestive juices contain enzymes.
- Digestive enzymes are necessary for the chemical digestion of the food.

# **Salivary Glands**

# Location of salivary glands

· Salivary glands are located at the mouth cavity.

# Types of salivary glands

- The types of salivary glands are:
  - parotid glands
  - submaxillary glands
  - sublingual glands

# **Parotid glands**

- · Parotid glands are the largest salivary glands.
- The secretion of parotid glands is called Stensen's duct.
- · Stensen's duct opens in the mouth cavity.
- Stensen's duct opens in the upper second molar tooth.

## **Location of parotid glands**

- Parotid glands are present on each side of the face.
- Parotid glands are present just below and in front of the ears.

# **Submaxillary glands**

- The secretion of submaxillary glands is Wharton's duct.
- Wharton's duct is poured at the side of frenulum of the tounge.

# Location of submaxillary glands

• Submaxillary glands are located at the angles of the lower jaw.

# **Sublingual glands**

- Sublingual glands are the smallest salivary glands.
- Sublingual glands secrete ducts.
- The duct of sublingual glands is called duct of Rivinus.

## **Location of sublingual glands**

• Sublingual glands are located beneath the tounge.

## Saliva

- · Saliva is a fluid.
- · Saliva is viscous.
- · Saliva is colourless.
- · Saliva is cloudy.

#### Contents of saliva

The contents of saliva are:

- salivary amylase
- · lysozome
- · lingual lipase

#### **Functions of saliva**

The functions of saliva are:

- · Saliva moistens dry food.
- Saliva facilitates sallowing action by lubrication of food.
- Saliva keeps the mouth clean.
- · Saliva keeps the teeth clean.
- · Saliva dissolves sugar.
- · Saliva dissolves salts.

# **Gastric glands**

## **Location of gastric glands**

• The gastric glands are present at the wall of stomach.

# Types of gastric glands

The types of gastric glands present at the wall of stomach are: - simple branched - simple tubular

## Types of cells present in gastric glands

The types of cells present in gastric glands are:

- parietal cells
- · chief cells
- · mucous cells

# **Functions of parietal cells**

- Parietal cells secrete Castle's intrinsic factor.
- · Parietal cells secrete

#### Role of castle's intrinsic factor

• castle's intrinsic factor absorbs Vitamin

#### Functions of chief cells.

- Chief cells secrete proenzymes.
- The proenzymes secreted by chief cells are:
  - pro renin
  - gastric lipase

#### **Functions of mucous cells**

• Mucous cells secrete mucus.

### **Gastric Juice**

- · All the secretion of gastric glands is called gastric juice.
- There is the presence of Argentaffin cells.
- · Argentaffin cells are also called entero-endocrine cells.

# Argentaffin cells

- Argentaffin cells consists of
  - D cells
  - G Cells

#### **Contents of D-cells secretion**

- D-cells are composed of following secreted constituents:
  - somatostatin
  - enterocrinin

- · Somatostatin and enterocrinin cell secrete enzymes.
- The enzymes / ducts secreted by somatostatin and enterocrinin are:
  - serotonin
  - histamine

#### **Contents of secretion of G-cells**

- · G-cells secrete hormones.
- The hormones secreted by G-cells is:
  - gastrin

## Liver

• Liver is the largest gland.

#### Location of liver

- · Liver is located behind the right side of abdominal cavity
- · Liver is located behind the diaphgram
- Colour of liver is reddish brown

#### Lobes of liver

- · Liver has two lobes:
- · Caudate lobe is a lobe of the liver
- · Quadrate lobe is a lobe of the liver

## Gall bladder

- Gall gladder is a pear shaped structure.
- · Gall bladder is located under the surface of right lob

## Functions of gall bladder

- · Gall bladder acts as resorvior.
- Gall bladder stores bile secreted by liver.
- Gall bladder produces cystic duct
- · Cystic duct of gall bladder joins with bile ducts.
- This combination of the ducts is a common hepatic duct.
- The common hepatic duct opens in the duodenum

## Histological structure of liver

- · Liver lobes are formed by hexagonal lobules.
- Hexagonal lobules are surrounded by sheath of connective tissue.
- The sheath of connective tissue that surrounds the hexagonal lobules are called Glisson's capsule.

#### Histological structure of lobules of liver

- · Each lobule of liver is formed by hepatocytes
- · Hepatocytes are hepatic cells.
- The shape of hepatocytes is polyhedral.

#### Anatomical structure of liver

- There is the presence of portal triad at the periphery of each lobule.
- · Portal triad consists of:
  - portal vein
  - hepatic artery
  - bile duct
- Bile canaliculi are the spaces between hepatic cells.
- · Bile canliculi unite to form bile duct.
- Bile duct of lobules unite to form common hepatic duct.

#### **Functions of liver**

#### Secretion of bile

- The chemical property of bile is alkaline .
- The colour of bile' is dark green.
- The physical state of bile is a fluid.

#### Contents of bile

- · Bile contains bile salts
- Bile contains bile pigments.
- · Bile contains some waste substances.
- The contents of bile salts are:
  - sodium bicarbonate c sodium glycolate
  - sodium tauro chlorate

# Contents of bile pigment

- The contents of bile pigments are:
  - bilivirdin
  - bilirubin

#### **Functions of bile**

- Bile acts as antiseptic.
- Bile stimulates peristalsis.
- · Bile neutralizes chyme.

# Carbohydrate metabolism.

- · Liver regulates sugar level.
- · Liver regulates sugar level by glycogenesis and glycolygenesis.

#### Glycogenesis

- Glycogenesis is the conversion of excess glucose into glycogen.
- Glycogenesis is done by liver cells.
- Glycogenesis is done in the presence of insulin.

## Glycoly genesis

- · Glycoly genesis the conversion of glycogen into glucose.
- Glycogenesis is done by liver cells.
- Glycoly genesis is done in the presence of glucagon.

### Protein metabolism.

- · Liver decomposes amino acids into ammonia.
- · Ammonia is converted into urea.
- The process of conversion of ammonia in to urea is deamination

# Lipid metabolism

- · Liver controls lipogenesis.
- Lipogenesis is the conversion of excess glucose and amino acids into fats.

## **Production of plasma proteins**

• Liver produces fibrinogen liver produces prothrombin

# **Immunity**

- Liver does phagocytosis
- · Phagocytosis is done by Kupffer cells.
- · Kupffer cells eat dead cells and bacteria.

## **Storage**

- · Liver stores minerals.
- · Liver stores vitamins.
- The minerals stored by liver are. copper and iron.
- The vitamins stored by liver are A, D E, K, and

#### **Production**

- Liver produces anticougulatory chemical
- The anticoagulatry chemical is heparin.
- Liver acts as erythropoetic organ in foetus.
- · Liver produces RBC in foetus.

### **Pancreas**

- Pancreas is the second largest organ .
- · Structure of pancreas is a long and lobe like.
- The colour of pancreas is yellow.
- The mass of pancreas is (60gm).
- Location of pnacreas: Pancreas is located at the loop of duodenum. Pancreas extends upto the spleen behind the stomach
- Parts of Pancreas: Pancreas contains head , body and tail.
- Type of Gland: Pancreas is a heterocrine gland.

## **Exocrine part of pancreas**

- The exocrine part of pancreas is formed by pancreatic lobules.
- The pancreatic lobules contain aciner glandular cells.
- The aciner glandular cells are triangular.
- Functions of exocrine cells:

- Exocrine cells of pancreas secrete pancreatic juice.
- Pancreatic juice is poured in the duodenum.
- The pouring of pancreatic juice is done through hepatopancreatic ampulla.

#### **Endocrine part of pancreas**

- The endocrine part of pancreas contains a group of cells.
- The group of cells on the endocrine part of pancreas are called islets of Langerhans.

#### Islets of langerhans

- The islets of langerhans contain four types of cells.
  - () cells.
  - ()cells.
  - **-** () cells.
  - (F) cells.

#### Secretion of cells in islets of langerhans

- · Alpha cells secrete glucagon.
- · Beta cells secrete insulin.
- · Delta cells secrete somatostatin.
- F cells secrete pancreatic polypeptide.

#### Functions of secretion of cells of islets of langerhans

- Insulin helps in carbohydrate metabolism.
- Glucagon helps in carbohydrate metabolism.
- · Somatostatin inhibit the secretion of insulin and glucagon.
- Pancreatic polypeptide inhibit the secretion of pancreatic juice.

## **Intestinal glands**

#### **Location of intestinal glands**

- Intestinal glands are located at the mucosa of small intestine.
- The intestinal glands are of two types.
- The types of intestinal glands are:
  - crypts of lieberkhun
  - brunner's gland

## Crypts of lieberkhun

- Crypts of lieberkhun are located at the villi of small intestine.
- Crypts of lieberkhun are simple tubular glands.

### Function of crypts of lieberkhun

- Crypts of lieberkhun collectively secrete succus entericus.
- The enzymes present at the succus entericus are:
  - amino peptidase
  - dipeptidase
  - intestinal lipase
  - enterokinase
  - maltase
  - iso maltase
  - dextrinase
  - lactase
  - sucrase
  - nucleotidase
  - nucleosidase

## **Brunners gland**

- · Brunners gland are branched tubular glands.
- · Brunners gland are present at the submucosa of duodenum.

#### **Functions of brunners glands**

- Brunners glands secrete thick mucus.
- The thick mucus secreted by brunners gland protects the duodenal mucosa from acidic chyme.

## Parts of digestion {#sec:Parts of digestion}

The parts of digestion are:

- Ingestion
- · Digestion
- Absorption
- Assimilation
- Egestion

## Ingestion

Ingestion is the process of taking food into oral cavity.

## **Digestion**

- Digestion is:
  - The hydrolysis of complex food substances to simplest compounds.
  - The simplest compounds can be absorbed in the ailementary canal.
  - The simplest compounds are absorbed for their utilization.

The location of digestion are:

- · Buccal cavity
- Stomach
- Intestine

## **Buccal digestion {#sub:Buccal digestion}**

- · Mastication:
  - The breaking down of ingested food into smaller pieces is mastication.
  - Location of mastication: Mastication is done in the buccal cavity.
- · Role of tounge:
  - Tounge mixes the small food particles with the saliva.

#### **Contents of Saliva**

The saliva consists of the following components:

- salivary amylase
- · lingual lipase

#### Functions of Saliva {#sub:Functions of Saliva}

- · Salivary amylase
  - Salivary amylase converts starch
  - It converts starch into:
    - \* maltose
    - \* isomaltose
    - \* dextrin

$$Starch \xrightarrow{Ptyalin} Maltose + Isomaltose + Dextrin$$

### · Lingual lipase

- Lingual lipase converts lipids
- It converts lipids into:
  - \* lipase Fatty acids
  - \* glycerol

$$\label{eq:Lipids} \text{Lipids} \xrightarrow{\text{Lingual Lipase}} \text{Lipase fatty acids} + \text{Glycerol}$$

## Post buccal digestion {#sub:Post buccal digestion}

- · Bolus:
  - Bolus is the food passed from buccal cavity to pharynx.
- · Peristalsis:
  - Peristalsis is a wave like motion.
  - Cause of peristalsis: Peristalsis occurs by the alternating contraction and relaxation.
    - \* Longitudinal muscles relax and contract.
    - \* Circular muscles relax and contract.

# Gastric digestion {#sec:Gastric digestion}

- · Site for gastric digestion:
  - Gastric digestion occurs in the stomach.

## Component of gastric digestion:

- Gastric digestion contains gastric juice.
  - \* Contents of gastric juice:
    - · Gastric juice contains enzymes.

The components of gastric enzymes are:

- · pepsin
- renin
- · gastric lipase

## **Pepsin**

- Secretion: Pepsin is secreted as pepsinogen.
- · Conversion:
  - Pepsinogen is converted into pepsin.
  - Pepsinogen is converted into pepsin by

Pepsinogen 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{HCl}}$$
 Pepsin

## Function of pepsin {#sub:Function of pepsin}

- · Pepsin:
  - Pepsin hydrolyses protein.
  - Pepsin hydrolyses protein into:
    - \* proteoses
    - \* peptones

$$Protein \xrightarrow{Pepsin} Protesoses + Peptones$$

#### Renin

- · Secretion:
  - Renin is secreted as prorenin.
- · Conversion:
  - Prorenin is converted into renin.
  - Prorenin is converted into renin by .

Proenin 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{HCl}}$$
 Renin

#### Function of renin {#sub:Function of renin}

- · Renin:
  - Renin converts caesin of milk.
  - Renin converts casein of milk only in the presence of calcium.
  - Renin converts casein of milk into:
    - \* Paracaesin

Casein 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{Renin}\,,\text{Ca}^{++}}$$
 Paracasein

- \* Post paracasein digestion:
  - · Pepsin hydrolyses paracasein.
- \* Pepsin hydrolyses paracasein into:
  - · proteoses
  - · peptones

$$Paracase in \xrightarrow{Pepsin} Peptones + Proteoses$$

## Function of Gastric lipase {#sub:Gastric lipase}

- · Gastric lipase:
  - Gastric lipase converts little of fats.
    - \* This limitation is imposed by the lack of emulsifying chemicals.
  - Gastric lipase converts fats into:
    - \* fatty acids
    - \* glycerol

$$\text{Fats} \xrightarrow{\text{Gastric Lipase}} \text{Fatty acids} + \text{Glycerol}$$

## Post Gastric Digestion: {#sec:Post Gastric Digestion:}

- · Chyme:
  - Chyme is the partially digested food of the stomach.
- · Peristalsis:
  - Peristalsis passes food from stomach to pyloric sphincter.
  - Pyloric sphincter is present in the duodenum.

## Internal digestion {#sec:Internal digestion}

#### **Pre Internal Digestion {#sub:Pre Internal Digestion}**

- · Bile is pored into the duodenum.
  - Bile is pored by the contraction of gall bladder.

The components of internal digestion are:

- bile
- · pancreatic juice
- · intestinal juice

#### **Function of Bile**

- · Bile:
  - Bile salts emulsify fats.
    - \* The emulsification of fats make an environment for action of pancreatic lipase.

## Pancreatic Enzymes {#sec:Pancreatic Enzymes}

The pancreatic enzymes are:

trypsin

- chymotrypsin
- carboxypeptidase
- pancreatic amylase
- · pancreatic lipase
- ribonuclease
- deoxyribonuclease

### Trypsin

- Secretion: Trypsin is secreted as inactive trypsinogen.
- · Conversion:
  - The inactive trypsinogen is converted into trypsin.
  - The inactive trypsinogen is converted into trypsin by enterokinase.
    - \* Enterokinase is a component of succus entericus.

Trypsinogen 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{Enterokinase}}$$
 Trypsin

## Function of trypsin {#sub:Function of trypsin}

- · Trypsin:
  - Trypsin acts on protein.
  - Trypsin hydrolyses protein into:
    - \* proteoses
    - \* peptones

#### Chymotrypsin

- **Secretion:** Chymotrypsin is secreted as inactive chemotrypsinogen.
- · Conversion:
  - Chemotrypsinogen is converted into chymotrypsin.

- Chemotrypsinogen is converted into chymotrypsin by the action of trypsin.

Chymotrypsin  
ogen 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{Trypsin}}$$
 Chymotrypsin

## Function of chymotrypsin {#sub:Function of chymotrypsin}

- · Chymotrypsin
  - Chymotrypsin acts on protein.
  - Chymotrypsin hydrolyses proteins into:
    - \* peptides

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Protein} \xrightarrow{\text{Chymotrypsin}} \text{Peptones} + \text{Proteoses} \\ \\ \text{Protesose} + \text{Peptones} \xrightarrow{\text{Chymotrypsin}} \text{Dipeptides} \end{array}$$

## Carboxypeptidase

- Secretion: Carboxypeptidase is secreted as procarboxypeptidase.
  - Procarboxypeptidase is converted into carboxypeptidase
  - Procarboxypeptidase is converted into carboxypeptidase by the action of trypsin.

Procarboxypeptidase 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{Trypsin}}$$
 Carboxypeptidase

### Function of carboxypeptidase {#sub:Function of carboxypeptidase }

- · Carboxypeptidase:
  - Carboxypeptdase acts on peptides.
  - Carboxypeptidase reduces peptides into:
    - \* dipeptides
    - \* amino acids

Peptides 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{Carboxypeptidase}}$$
 Dipeptides + Amino acids

## Function of Pancreatic amylase {#sub:Function of Pancreatic amylase}

- Pancreatic amylase acts on:
  - starch
  - glycogen
- · Pancreatic amylase converts carbohydrate into:
  - maltose
  - isomaltose
  - limit dextrin

$$\label{eq:Carbohydrates} \text{Carbohydrates} \xrightarrow{\text{Pancreatic amylase}} \text{Maltose} + \text{Isomaltose} + \text{Dextrin}$$

### Function of Pancreatic lipase {#sub:Function of Pancreatic lipase}

- · Pancreatic lipase
  - Pancreatic lipase acts on dietary fats.
  - Panceatic lipase converts dietary fats into:
    - \* fatty acids
    - \* glycerol

Fats 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{Pancreatic lipase}}$$
 Fatty acids + Glycerol

#### **Function of Ribonuclease**

- · Ribonuclease:
  - Ribonuclease acts on RNA.
  - Ribonuclease converts RNA into
    - \* Nucleotides

RNA 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{Ribonuclease}}$$
 Nucleotides

## Function of deoxyribonuclease {#sub:Function of deoxyribonuclease}

#### · Deoxyribonuclease:

- Deoxyribonuclease acts on DNA .
- Deocyribonuclease converts *DNA* into:
  - \* Nucleotides

DNA 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{Deoxyribonuclease}}$$
 Nucleotides

## Intestinal Juice {#sec:Intestinal Juice}

#### · Secretion:

- Intetstinal juice is also termed as succus entericus.

The enzymes present in the intestinal juice are:

- enterokinase
- · aminopepidase
- dipeptidase
- · intestinal lipase
- maltase
- isomaltase
- dextrinase
- sucrase
- lactase
- nucleotidase
- nucleosidase

#### **Enterokinase**

• Enterokinase is a non digestive enzyme.

#### Function of Enterokinase {#sub:Function of Enterokinase}

#### Enterokinase

- Enterokinase acts on trypsinogen.
- Enterokinase converts on inactive trypsinogen into trypsin.

#### Function of aminopeptidase {#sub:Function of aminopeptidase}

#### · Aminopeptidase:

- Aminopeptidase acts on peptides.
- Aminopeptidase acts on amino group of peptides.
- Aminopeptidase peptides into:
  - \* dipeptides
  - \* amino acids

Peptides 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{Aminopeptidase}}$$
 Dipeptides + Amino acids

### Function of dipeptidase {#sub:Function of dipeptidase}

#### · Dipeptidase

- Dipeptidase acts on dipeptides.
- Dipeptidase converts dipeptides into:
  - \* Amino acids

Dipeptides 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{Dipeptidase}}$$
 Amino Acids

### Function of intestinal lipase {#sub:Function of intestinal lipase}

#### · Intestinal Lipase

- Intestinal Lipase acts on emulsified fats.
- Intestinal Lipase hydrolyses emulsified fats into:

- \* fatty acids
- \* glycerol

 $\label{eq:mulsified_fats} \text{Emulsified fats} \xrightarrow{\text{Intestinal Lipase}} \text{Fatty acids} + \text{Glycerol}$ 

#### Function of Maltase {#sub:Function of Maltose}

- · Maltase
  - Maltase acts on maltose.
  - Maltase splits maltose into:
    - \* glucose molecules

 $\text{Maltose} \xrightarrow{\text{Maltase}} \text{Glucose}$ 

#### Function of Isomaltase {#sub:Function of Isomaltase}

- · Isomaltase
  - Isomaltase acts on isomaltose.
  - Isomaltase converts isomaltose into:
    - \* glucose

Isomaltose  $\xrightarrow{\text{Isomaltase}}$  Glucose

#### Function of Dextrinase {#sub:Function of Dextrinase}

- · Dextrinase:
  - Dextrinase acts on dextrins.
  - Dextrinase hydrolyses dextrins into:
    - \* glucose

 $\operatorname{Limit} \operatorname{Dextrin} \xrightarrow{\operatorname{Dextrinase}} \operatorname{Glucose}$ 

#### Function of sucrase {#sub:Function of sucrase}

- Sucrase
- · Sucrase acts on Sucrose.
- Sucrase converts sucrose into:
  - glucose
  - fructose

Sucrose 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{Sucrase}}$$
 Glucose + Fructose

#### Function of Lactase {#sub:Function of Lactase}

- · Lactase:
  - Lactase acts on lactose.
  - Lactase converts lactose into:
    - \* Glucose
    - \* Galactose

$$Lactose \xrightarrow{Lactase} Glucose + Galacose$$

#### Function of nucleotidase {#sub:Function of nucleotidase}

- · Nucleotidase:
  - Nucleotidase acts on nucleotides.
  - Nucleotidase hydrolyses nucleotides into:
    - \* nucleosides
    - \* inorganic phosphates

Nucleotides  $\xrightarrow{\text{Nucleotidase}}$  Nucleosides + Inorganic Phosphate

#### Function of nucleosidase {#sub:Function of nucleosidase}

- · Nucleosidase
  - Nucleosidase acts on nucleosides.
  - Nucleosidase hydrolyses nucleosides into:
    - \* nitrogen base
    - \* pentose sugar

Nucleosides  $\xrightarrow{\text{Nucleosidase}}$  Nitrogen Base + Pentose Sugar

## Post Intestinal Digestion {#sub:Post Intestinal Digestion}

- Chyle: Chyle is the fully digested alkaline food.
  - Chyle is present in small intestine.
  - Contents of chyle:
    - \* glucose
    - \* fructose
    - \* galactose
    - \* amino acid
    - \* fatty acid
    - \* glycerol

# **Absorption**

### **Definition**

- · Absorption is a process.
- There is transfer of food in absorption.
- The food transfers from lumen of gut into:
  - blood

- lymph
- · Cause: Absorption occurs by phisycochemical processes.

### Sites of absorption {#sub:Sites of absorption}

#### · Buccal cavity:

- There is no absorption in buccal cavity.

#### · Stomach:

- There is very little absorption in stomach.
- The components absorbed are:
  - \* alcohol
  - \* aspirin

#### · Small intestine:

- There is maximum absorption in small intestine.
- Structure of small intestine:
  - \* The outermost lining of small intestine is mucosa.
  - \* Mucosa is provided with villus.
  - \* Each villus has a network of:
    - · blood capillaries
    - · lymphatic vessels
  - \* Lymphatic vessels are also termed as lacteals.

## Types of Absorption {#sec:Types of Absorption}

The types of absorption are:

- Active absorption
- · Passive absorption

#### Passive absorption {#sub:Passive absorption}

- Location: Passive absorption occurs in between
  - mucosal epithelial cells
  - intestinal lumen
- · Passive absorption occurs along the concentration gradient.
- The concentration gradient is from
  - higher concentration
  - to lower concentration
- The higher concentration is present at the intestinal lumen.
- The lower concentration is present at mucosal epithelial cells
- Rate of absorption: Passive absorption is very slow.
- Requirement of Energy: Passive absorption does not require energy.
- Process of passive absorption: Passive absorption occurs by:
  - Simple diffusion
  - Facilitated diffusion
  - Endocytosis

#### Limitations:

- Passive absorption cannot absorb:
  - \* nutrients from intestinal lumen
- · Examples:
  - Passive absorption absorbs monosachharaides.
  - Passive absorption absorbs amino acids.

#### **Active Absorption {#sub:Active Absorption}**

- · Location: Active absorption occurs between
  - mucosal cells

- blood
- Active absorption occurs against the concentration gradient.
- Active absorption occurs from low concentration gradient into high concentration gradient.
- The low concentration gradient is at intestinal lumen.
- The high concentration gradient is at blood.

### · Requirement of Energy:

- Active absorption requires energy.
- Energy for active absorption is provided by the hydrolysis of .

#### Absorption of Fats:

- Fatty acids are incoporated into micelles.
- Micelles are:
  - \* small
  - \* spherical
  - \* water soluble
  - \* droplets
- Micelles are formed by the help of bile salts.
- Micelles are absorbed by facilitated diffusion.
- The components incoporated along with the absorption of Micelles are:
  - \* fatty acids
  - \* glycerol
  - \* fat soluble vitamins
- Examples: Active absorption absorbs:

  - glucose
  - galactose
  - amino acids

### **Assimilation**

- Assimilation is the process of utilization of absorbed nutrients.
- The nutrients are utilized into:
  - body cells
  - energy
  - growth
  - repair

# **Egestion**

- Egestion is the process of removal of food stuffs that are:
  - undigested
  - unabsorbed
- Egestion is passed in the form of feaces.
- The colour of feaces is due to stercobilin.
- Stercobilin is a derivative of bilirubin.