

Surgical Anatomy of the liver

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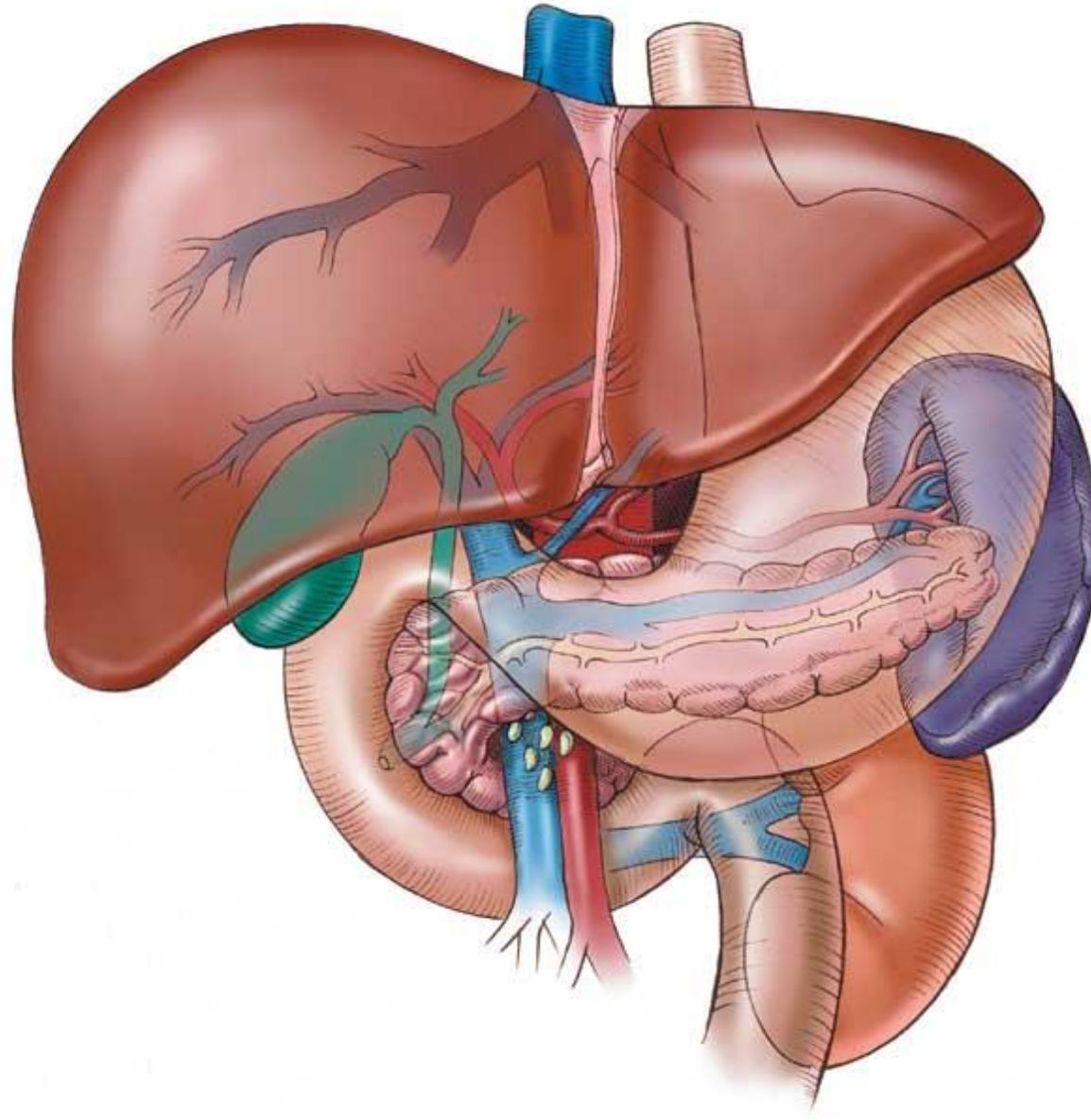
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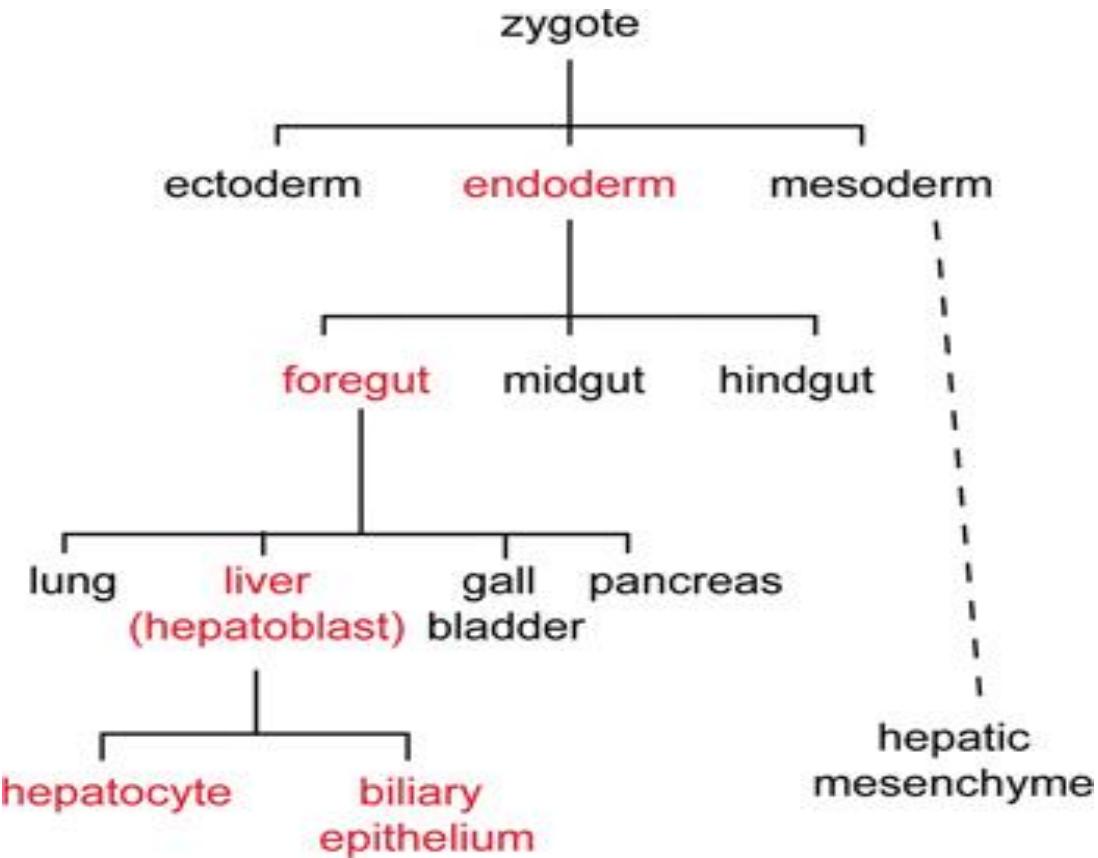
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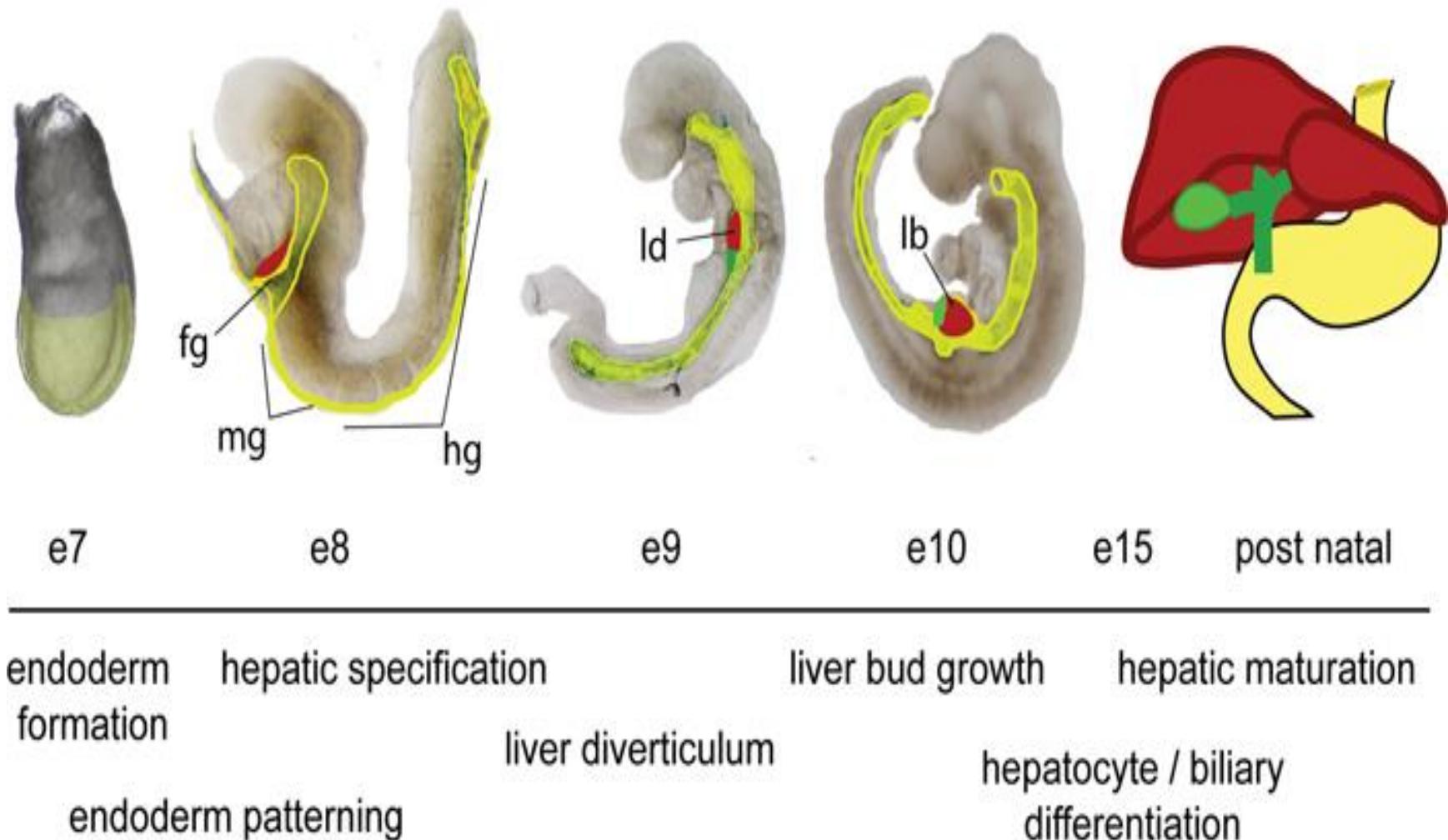
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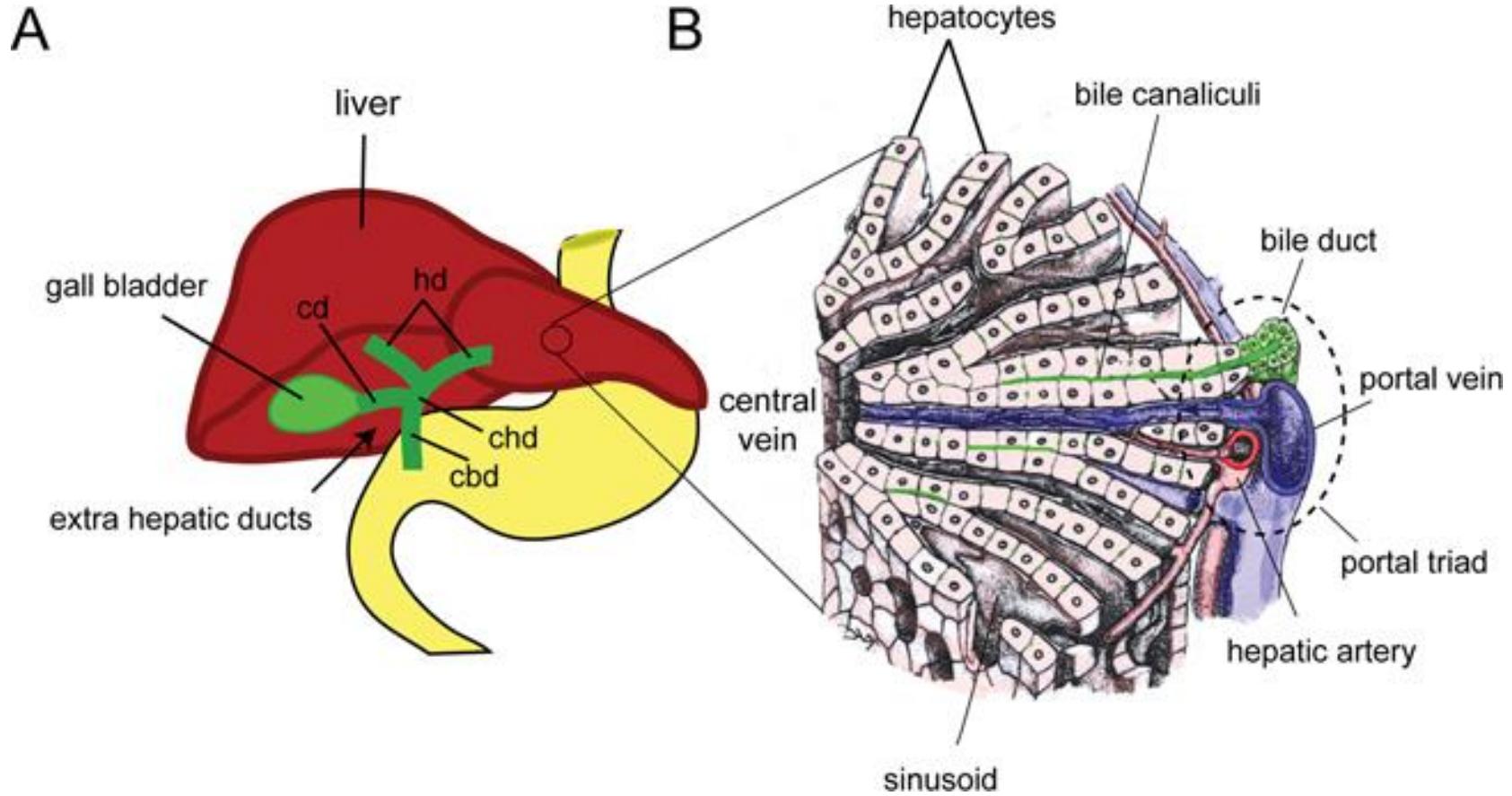
The cell lineage steps during hepatic development (red) from uncommitted endoderm to functional adult hepatocytes and biliary epithelium



Time line mouse liver development



Adult liver



Galen (circa 130–200 BC) was one of the first who described the liver. He thought that the liver was five-lobed. Such opinion dominated until the 15th century.

Vesalius founder modern anatomy (1514-1564)



1st book on human anatomy Vesalius



In 1654, F. Glisson (1597–1677) studied the liver. He discussed topography of the intrahepatic vessels and surrounding connective tissue. Even today this is referred to as Glisson's capsule and the triad (portal vein, biliary duct and hepatic artery) is called portal pedicle or Glisson's pedicle

Francois Glisson



1597-1677



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N. A. Goldsmith and R. T. Woodburne
supported division of the liver into four
segments, each having two subsegments
with second order of portal vein branches
(1957)

C. Couinaud suggested that the liver should be divided into eight segments, based on third order portal vein distribution
(1957)

Claude Couinaud



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A good knowledge of the anatomy
is a prerequisite for modern surgery
of the liver.”

H. Bismuth

Henri Bismuth



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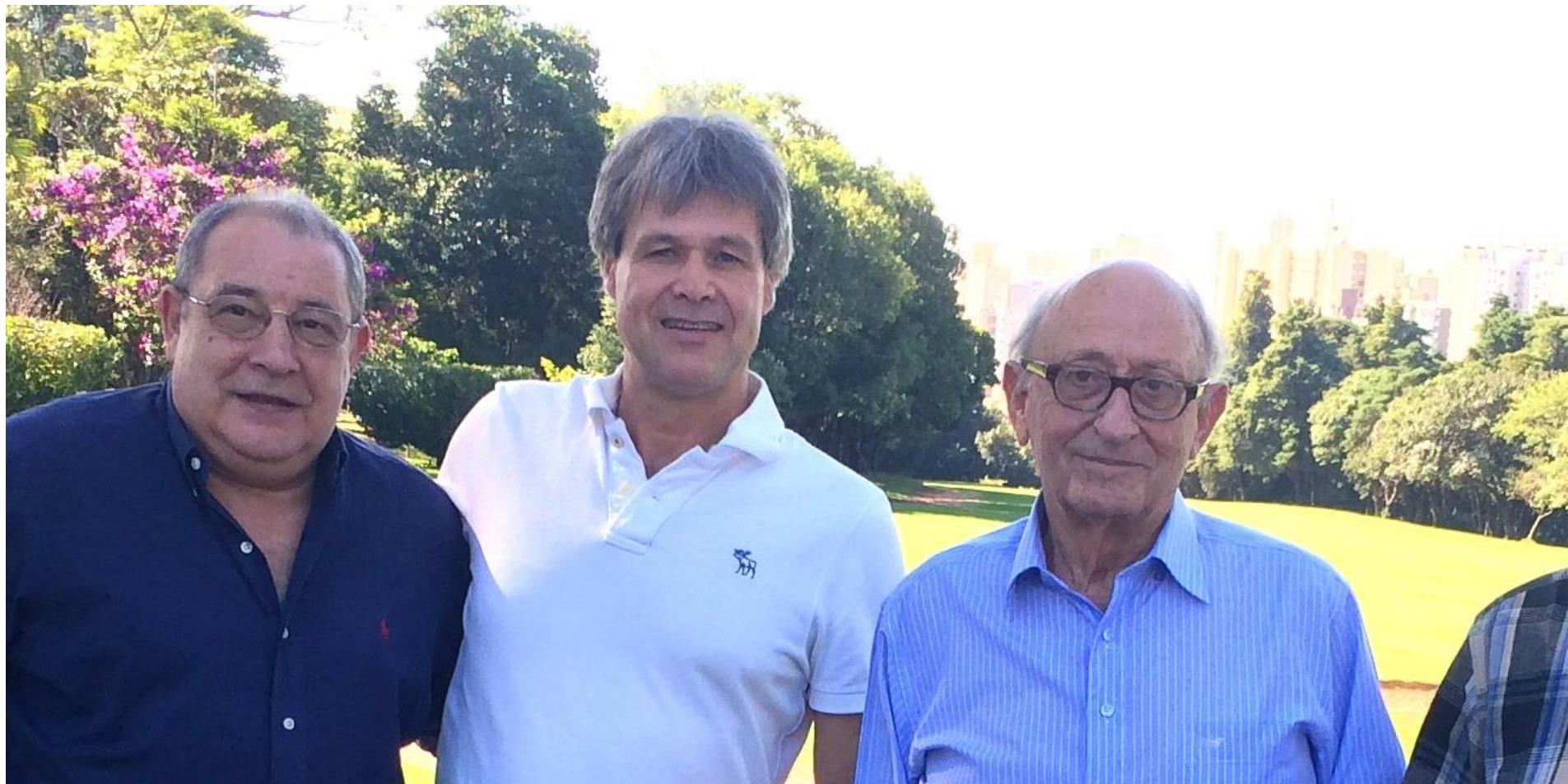


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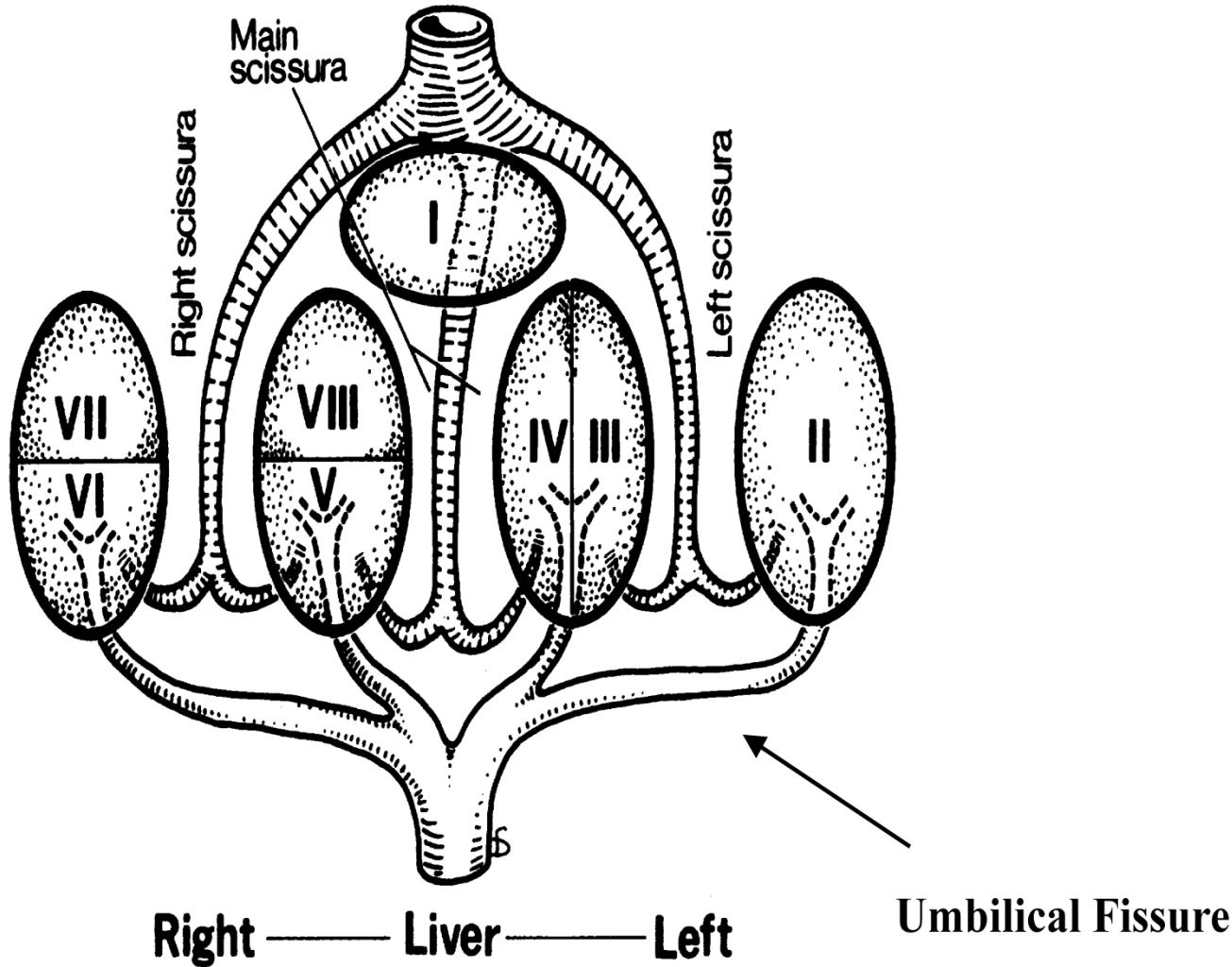
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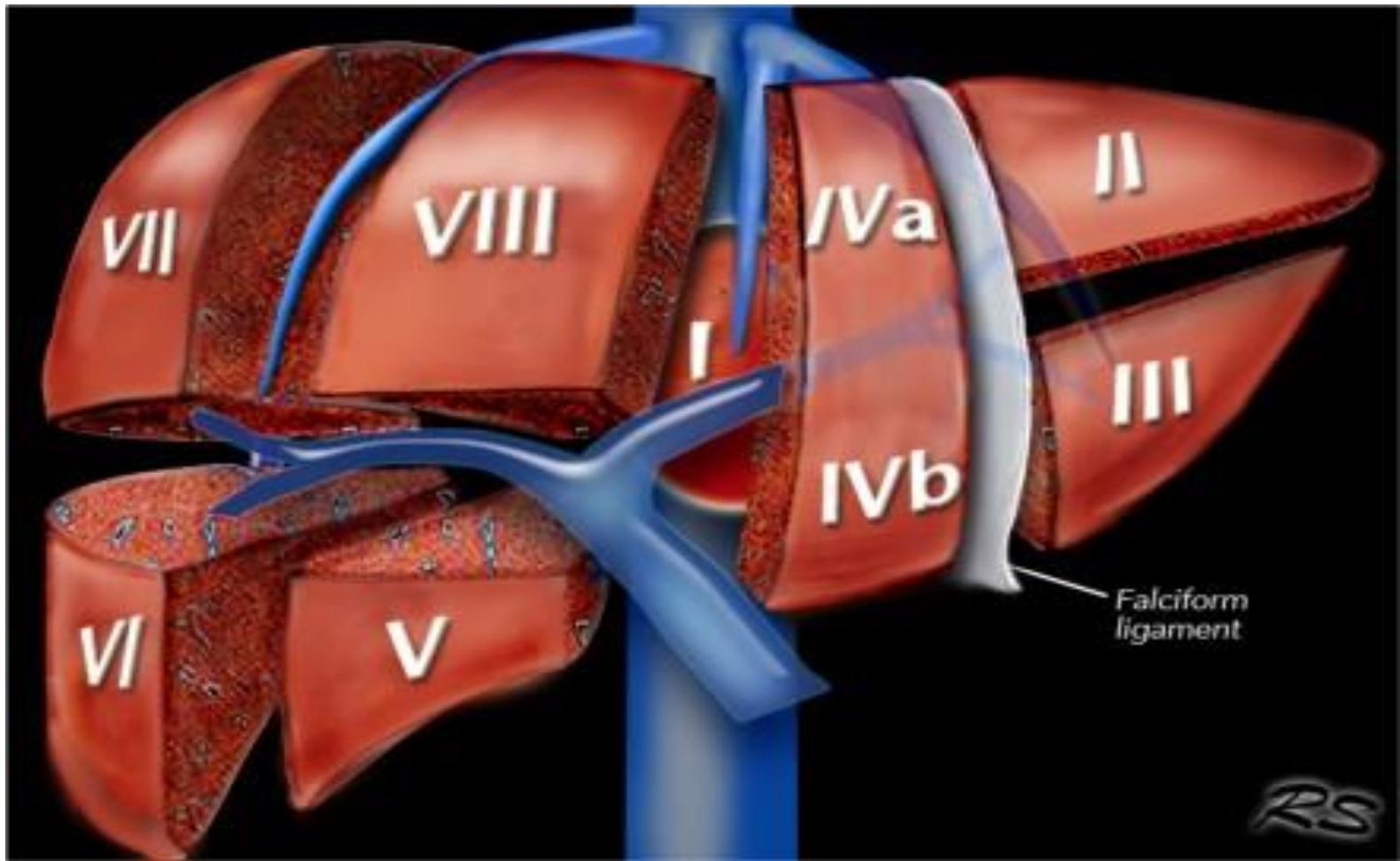
Bismuth's classification. H. Bismuth brought together the Couinaud's cadaveric system *in situ* and the system of Goldsmith and Woodburn *in vivo*

He distinguished three planes (scissurae), hosting the hepatic veins and a transverse plane passing through the right and left portal branches. Additionally, H. Bismuth described the caudate lobe as a separate segment I.

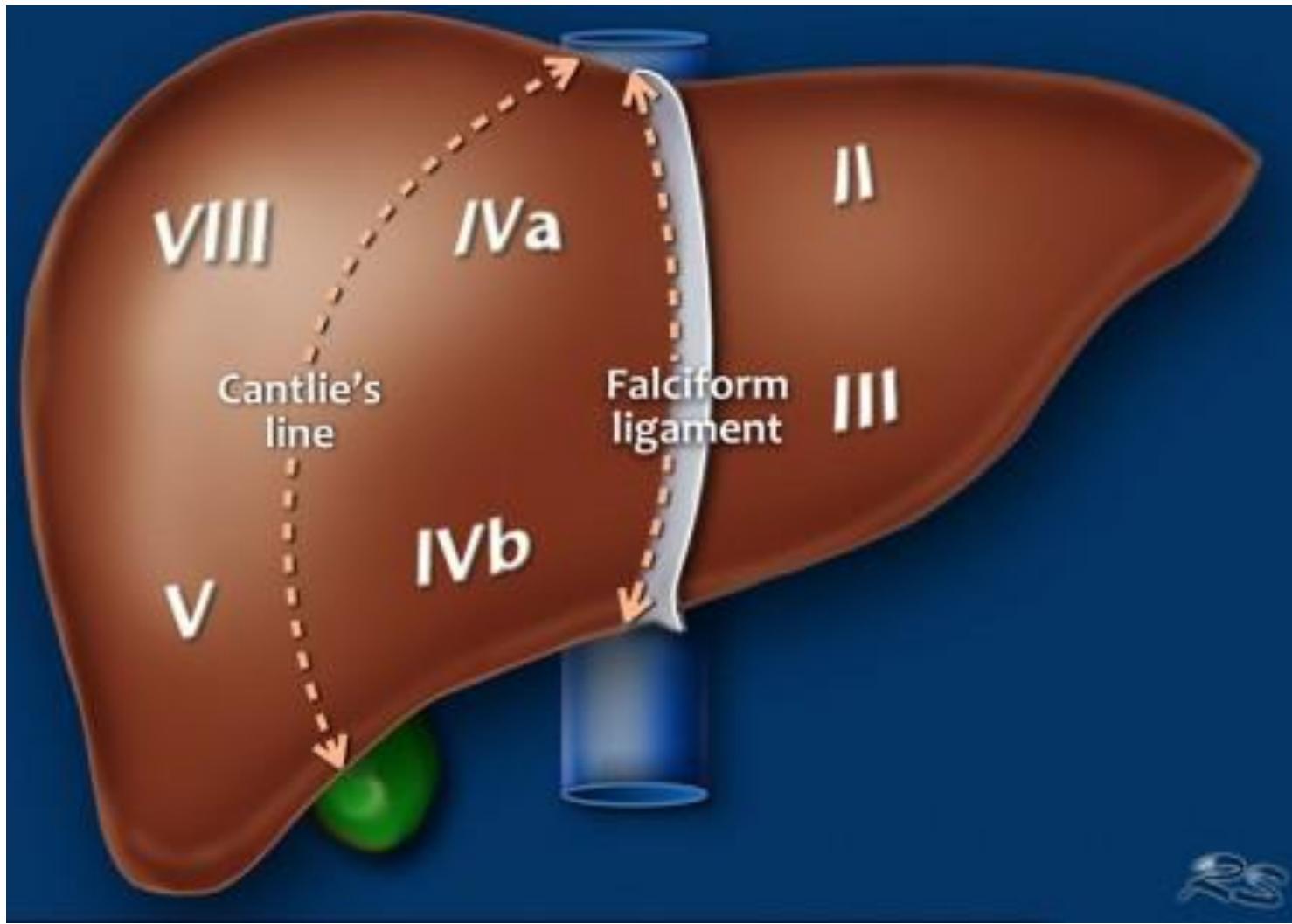
Anatomy according to Bismuth



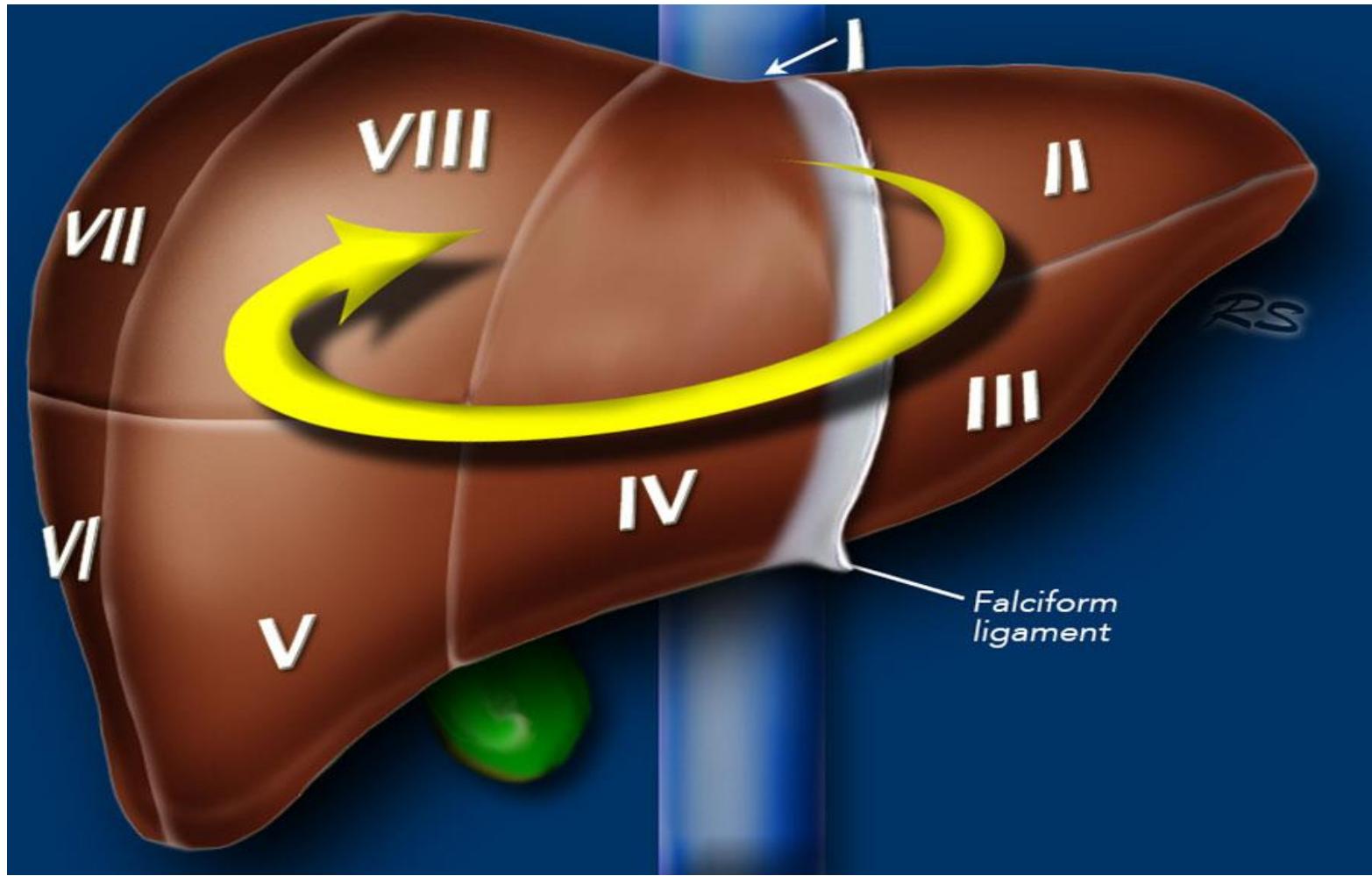
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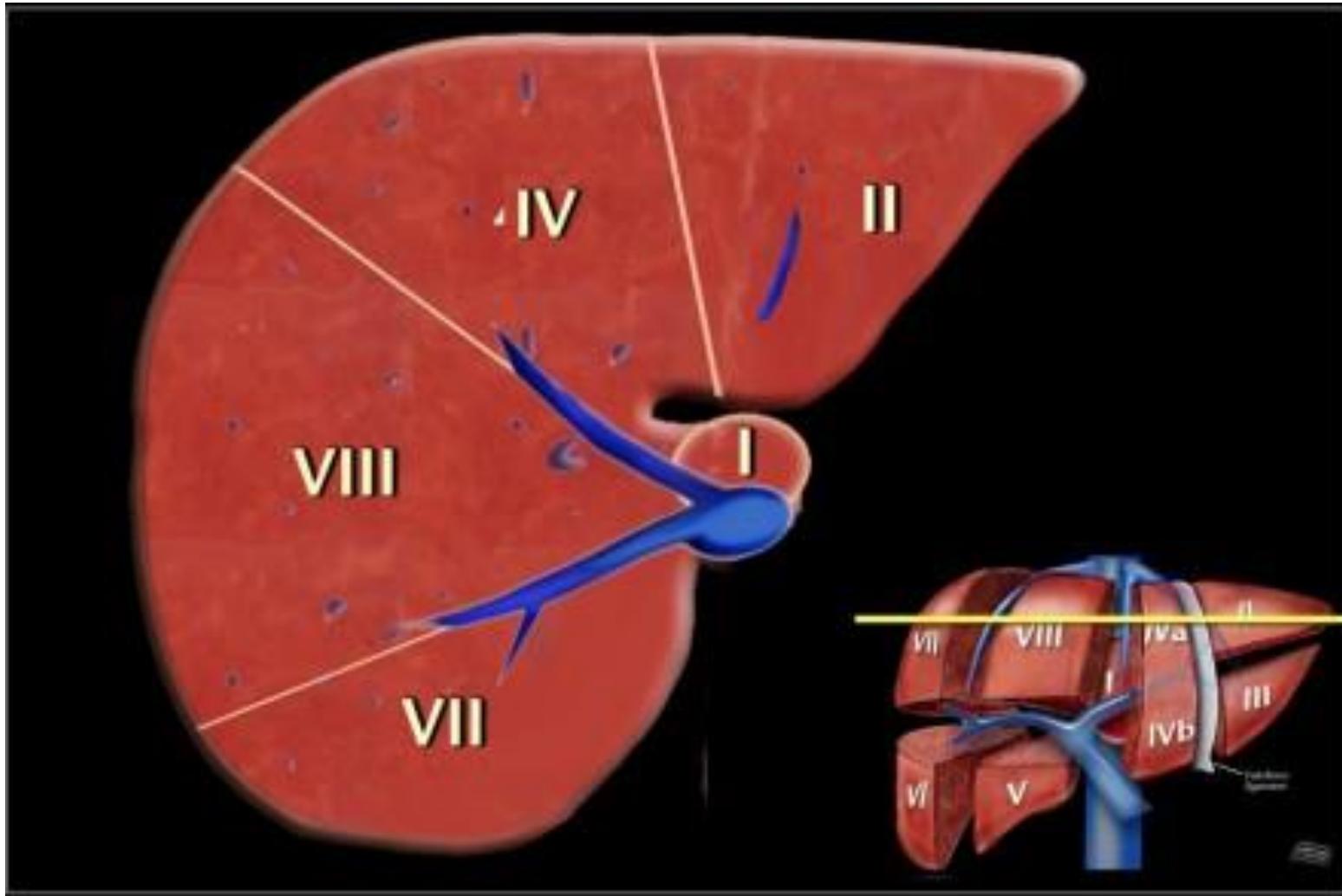
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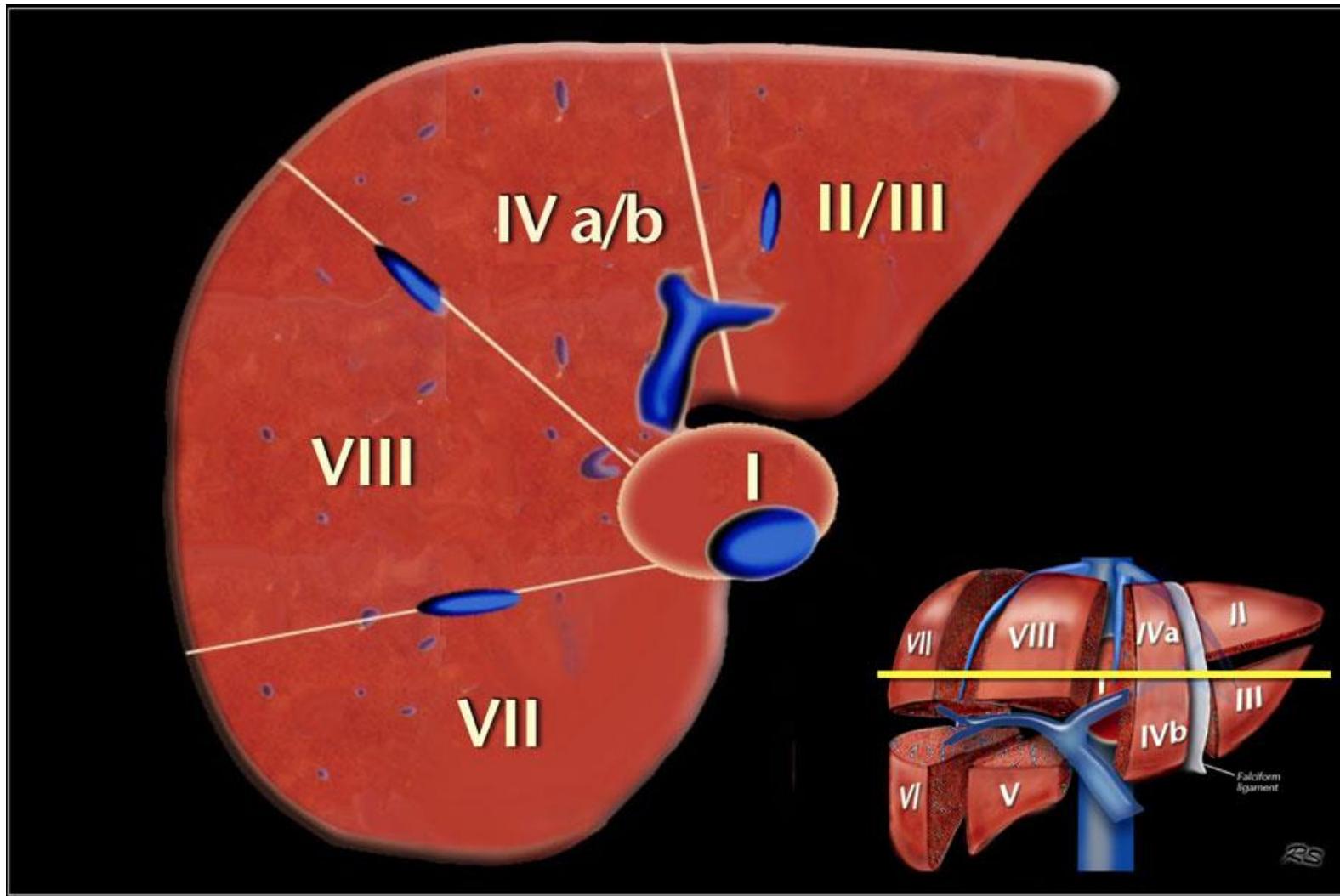
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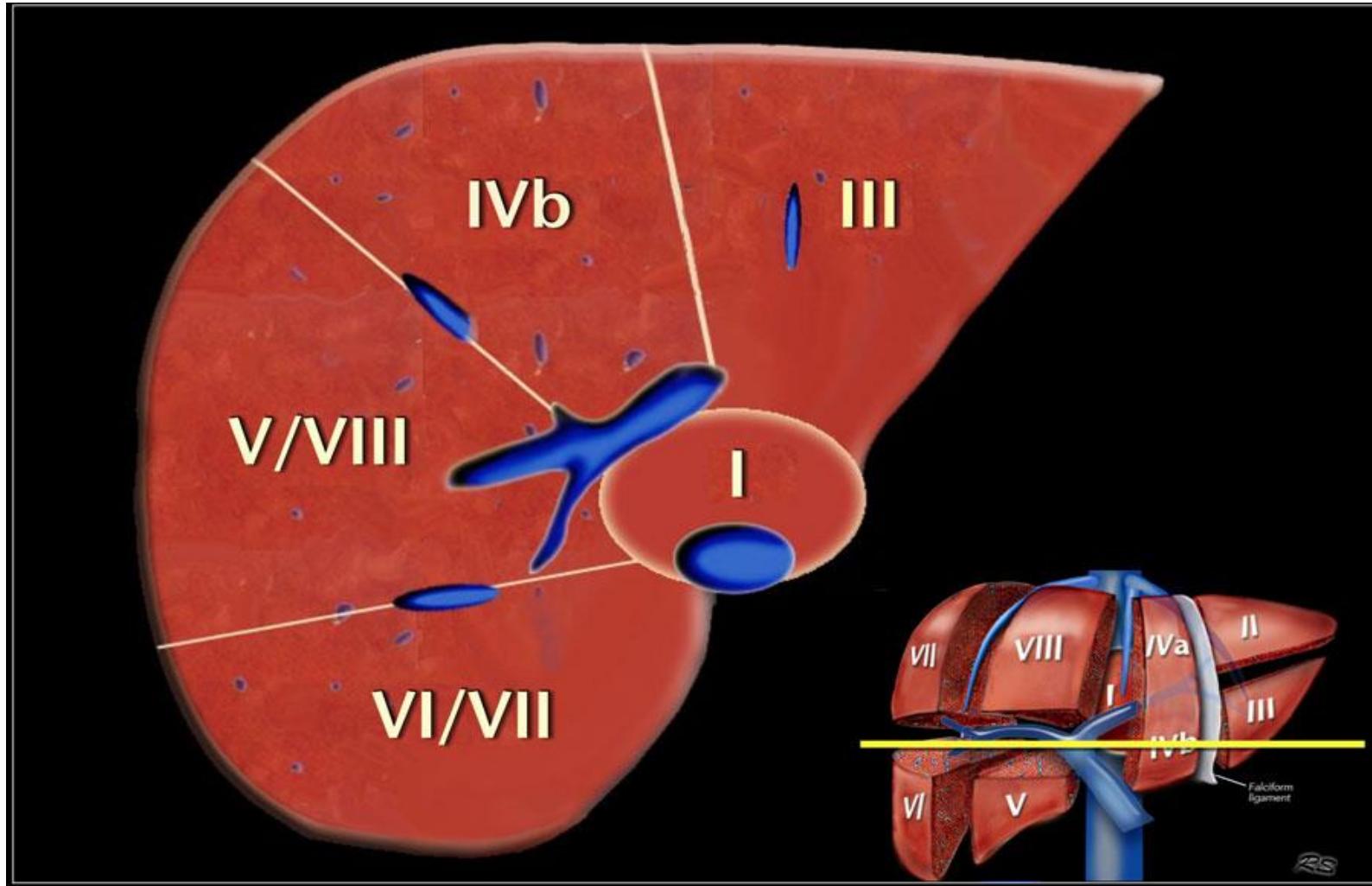
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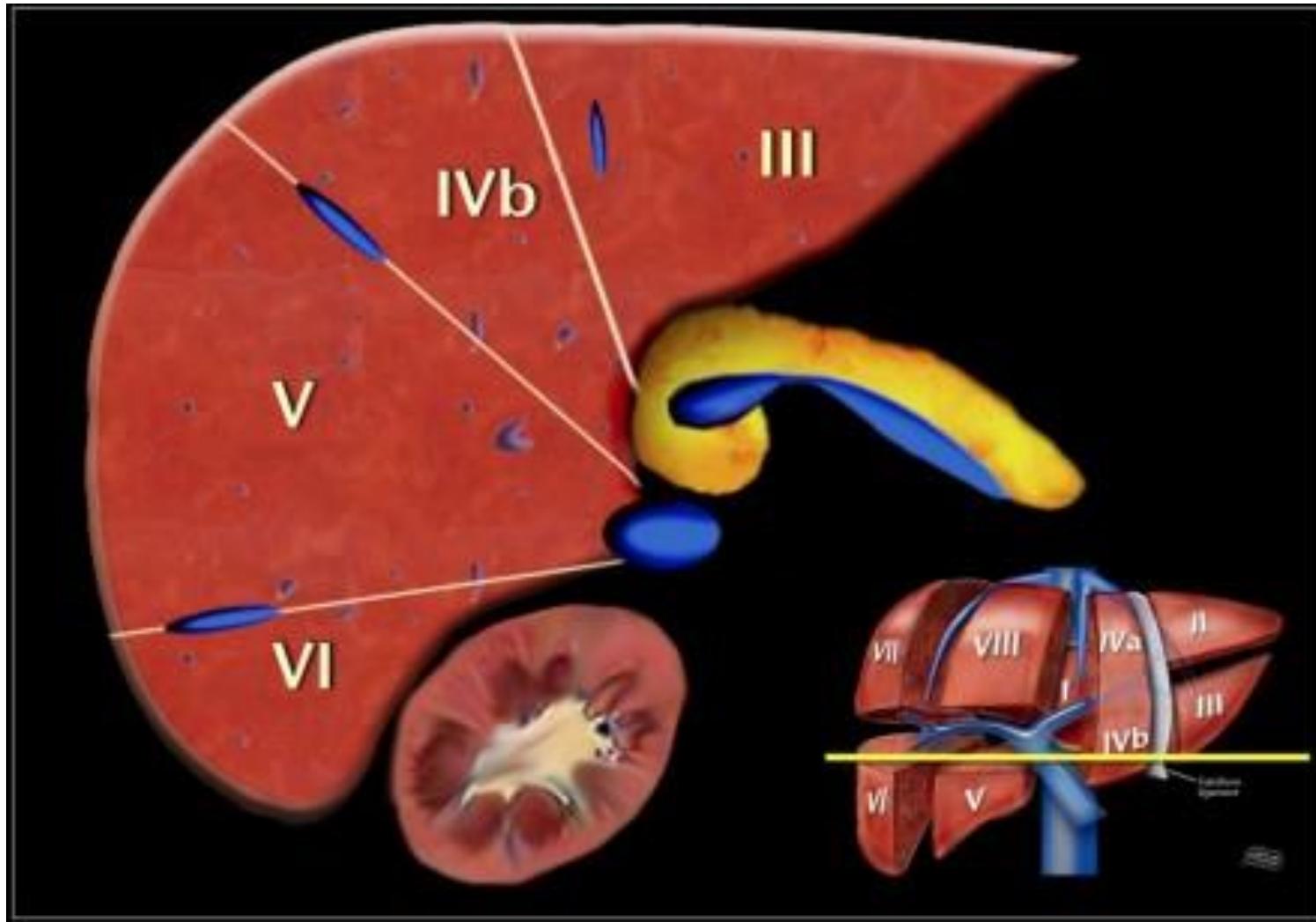
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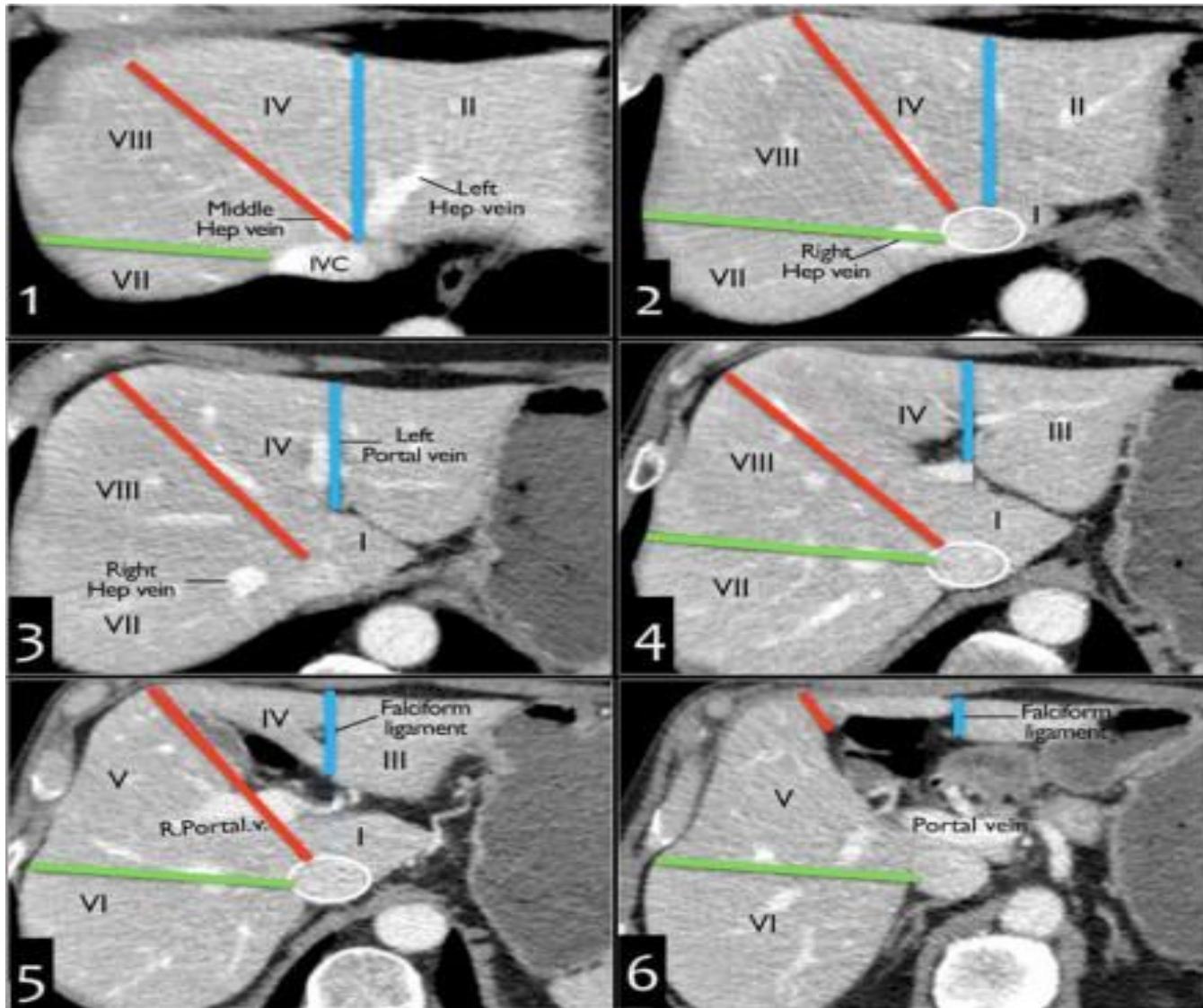
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Anatomy 7



Anatomy 9



VIDEO???



Cirrhosis



Anatomy 10



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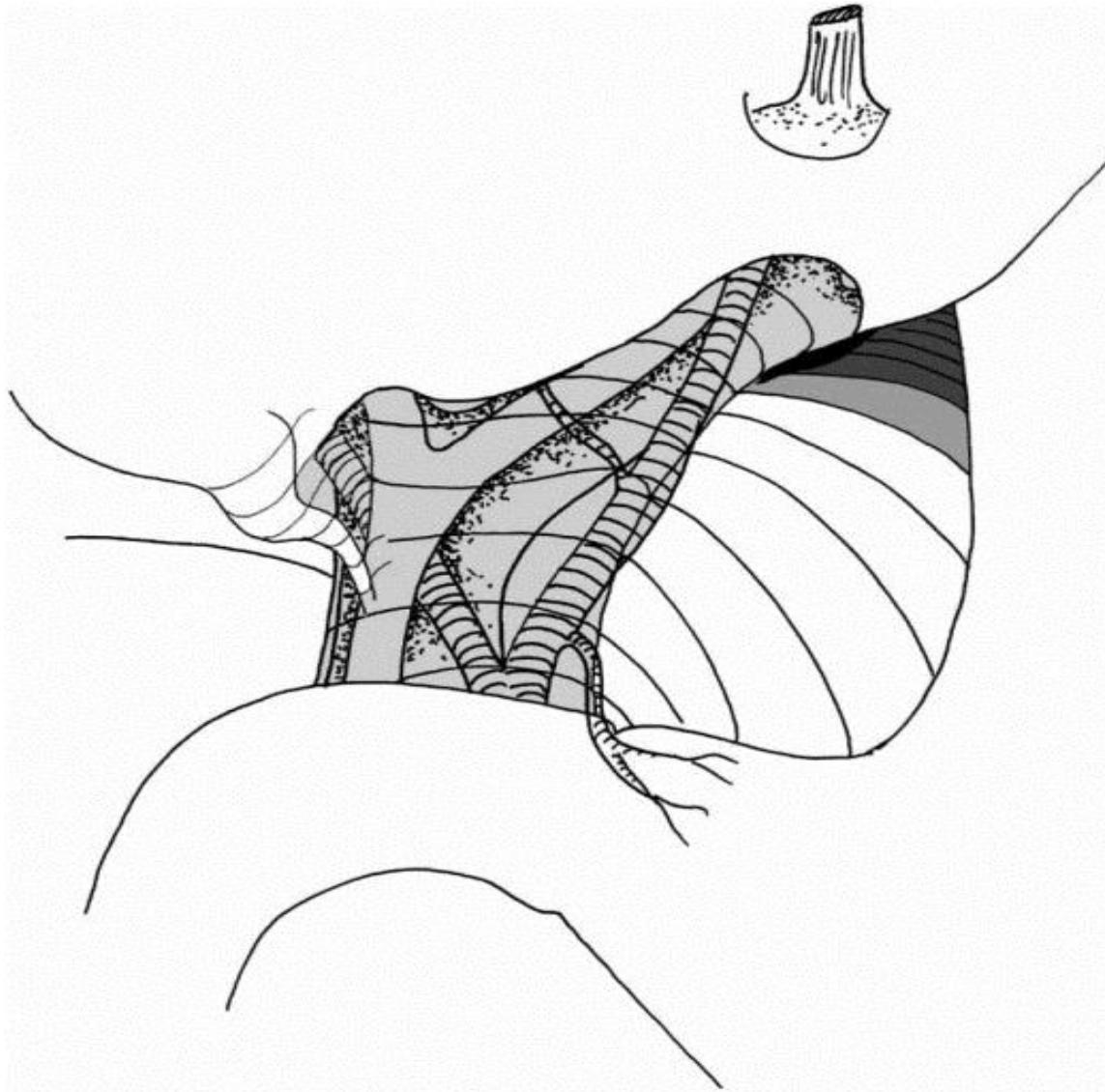
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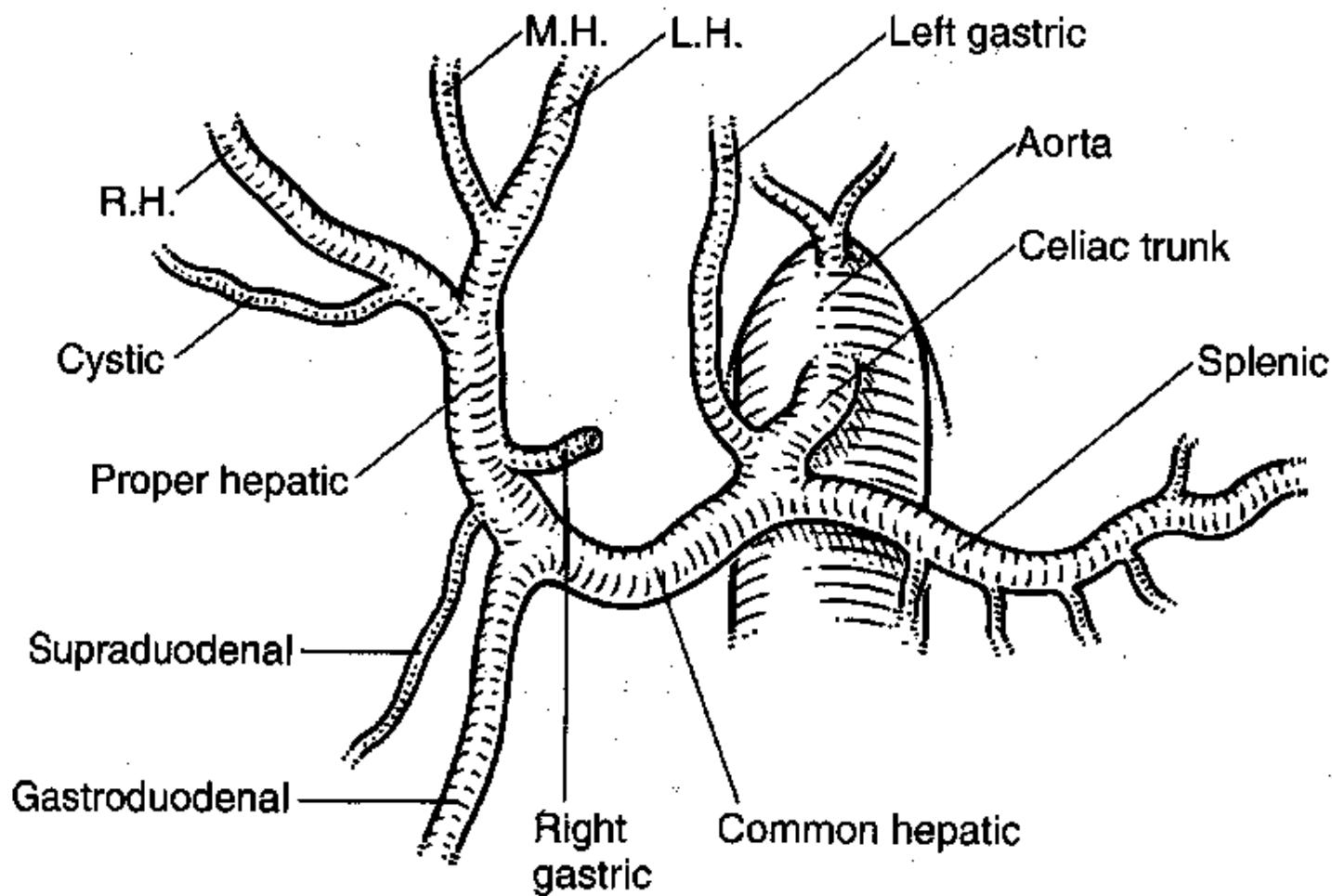


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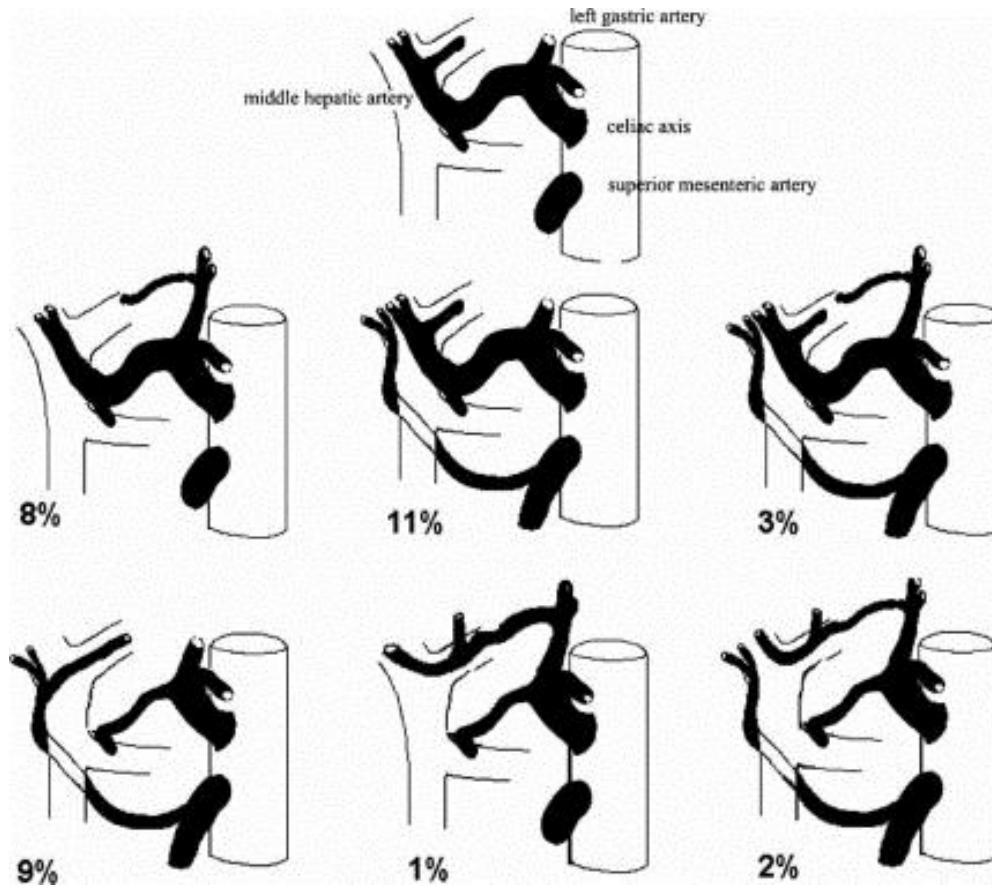
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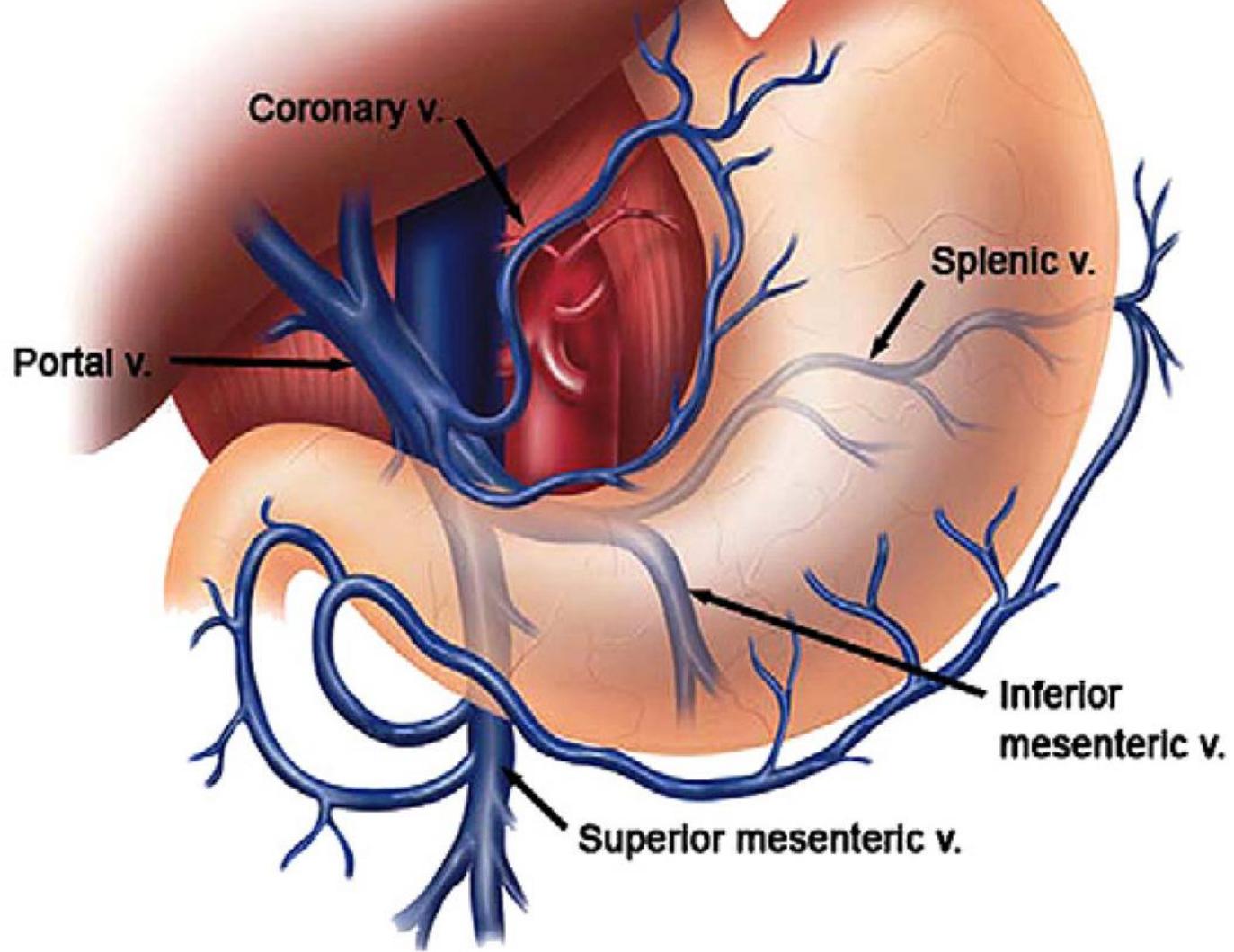




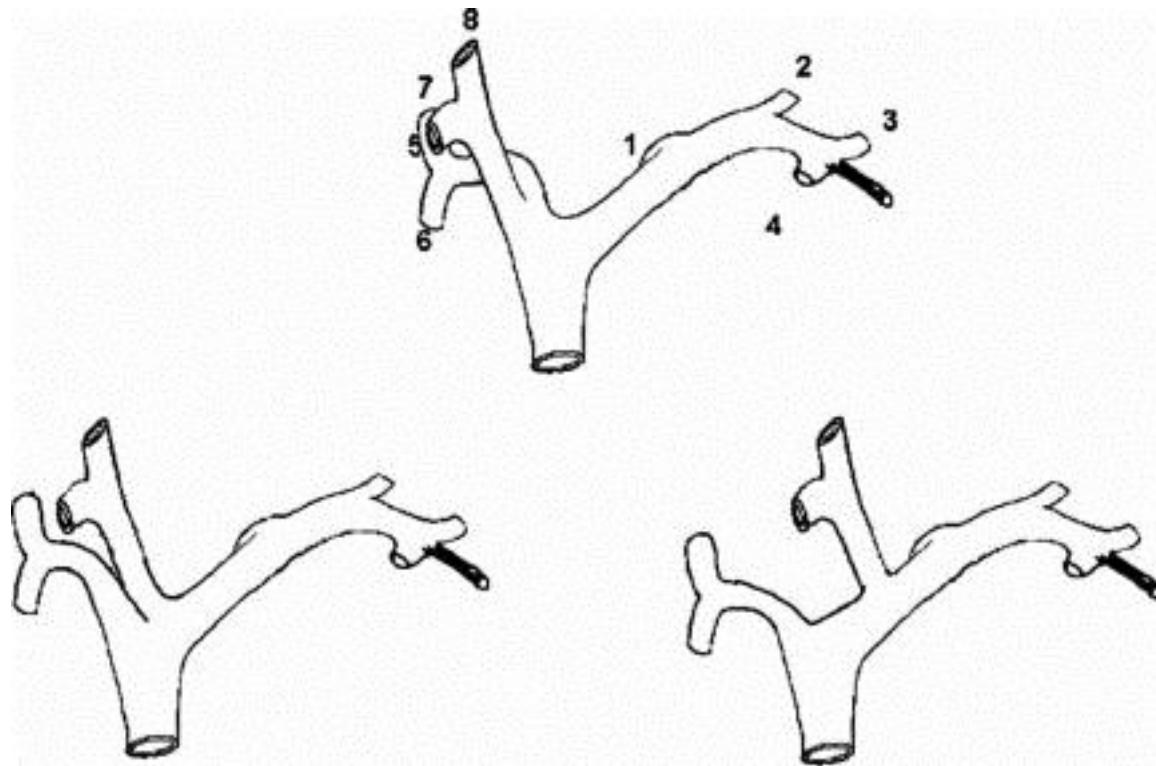


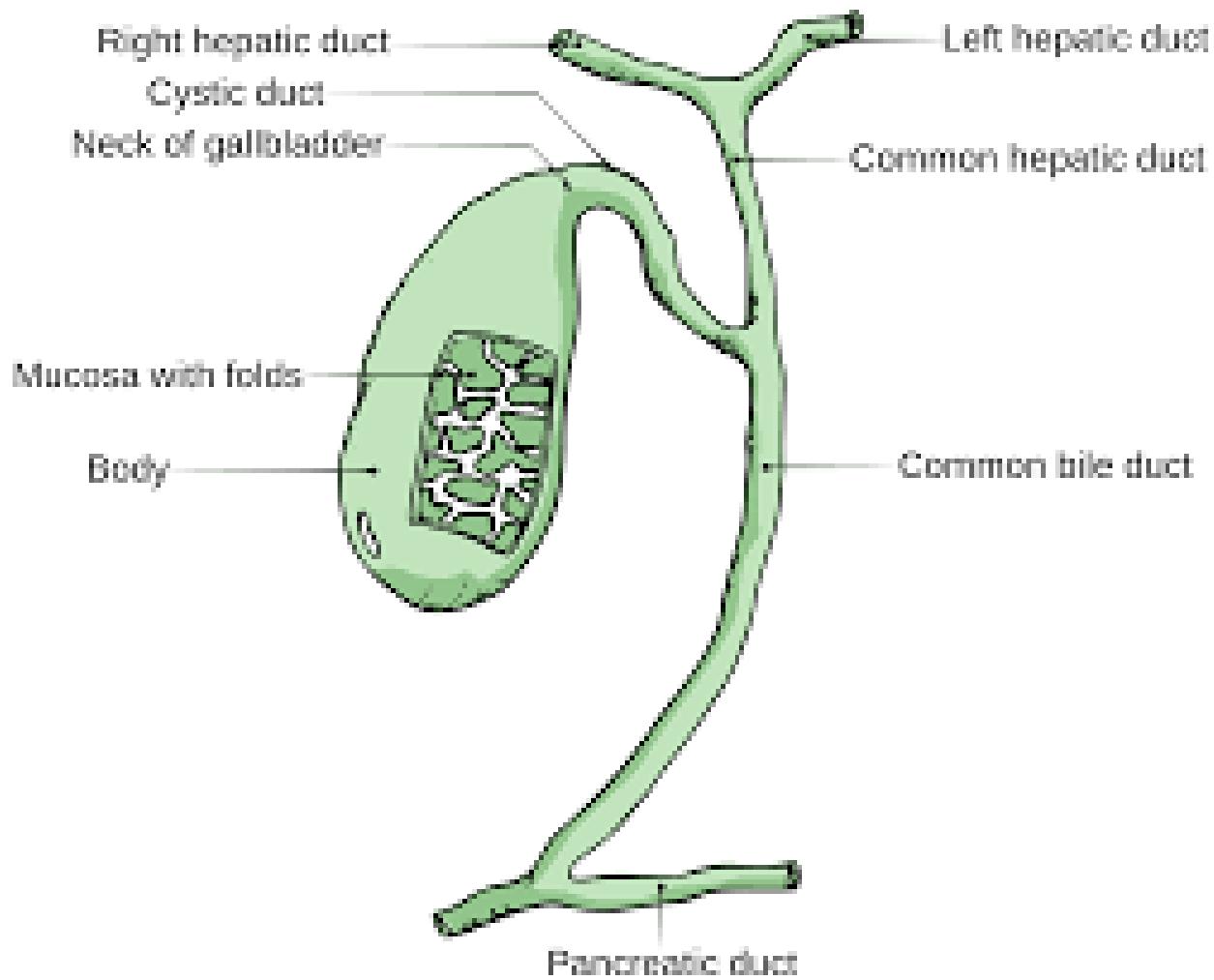
Arterial anatomy



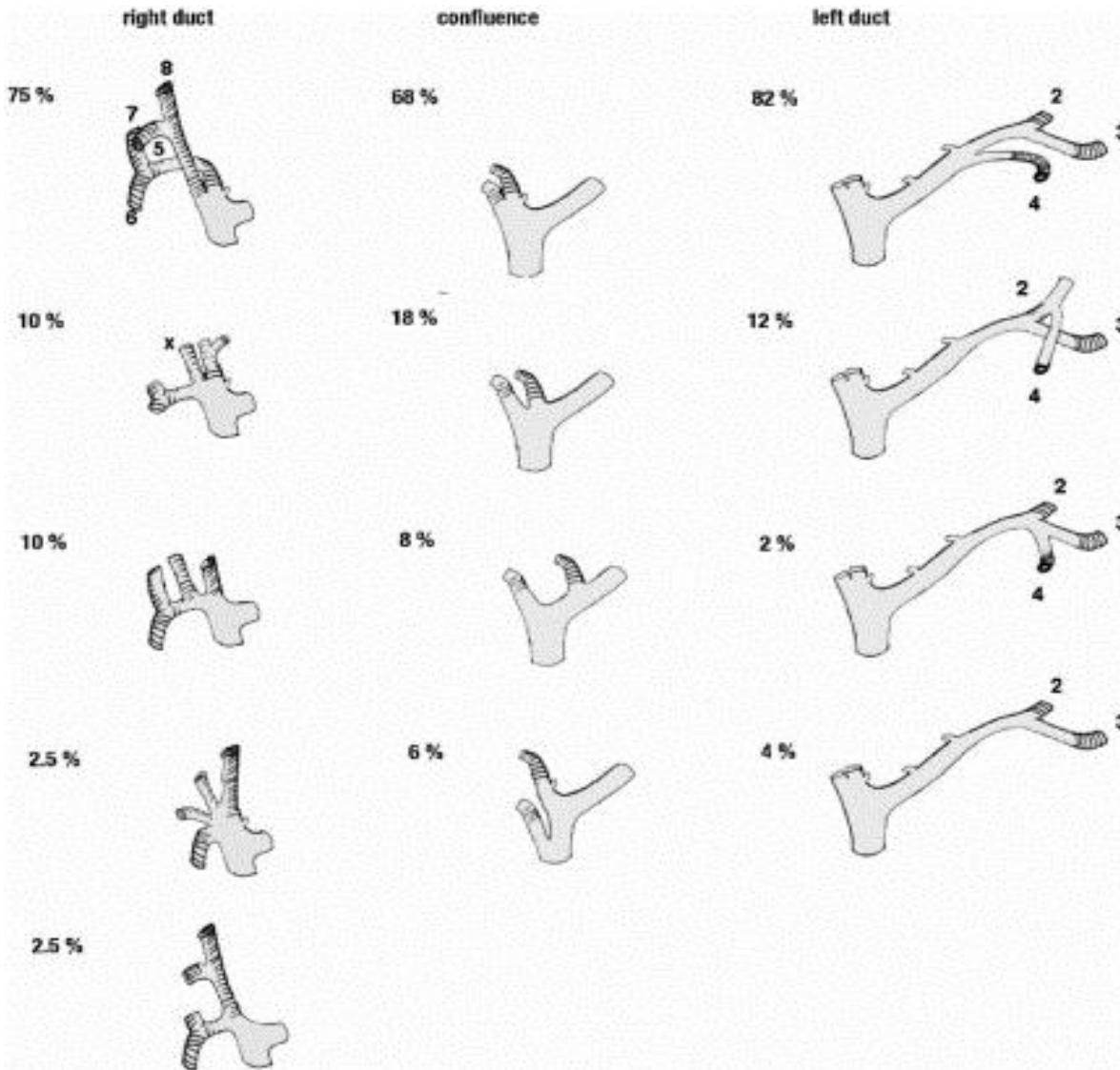


Portal Anatomy





Biliary Anatomy



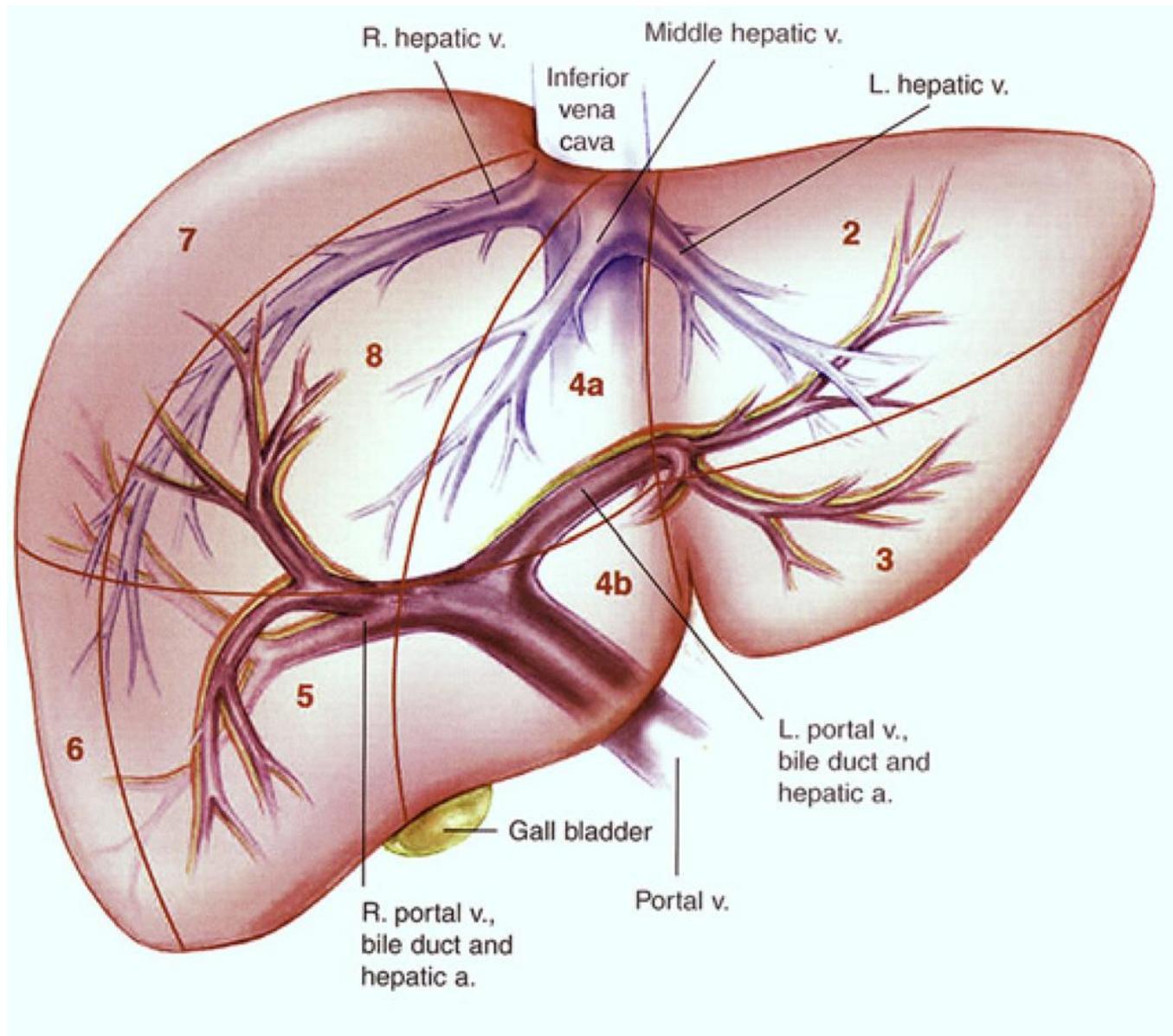
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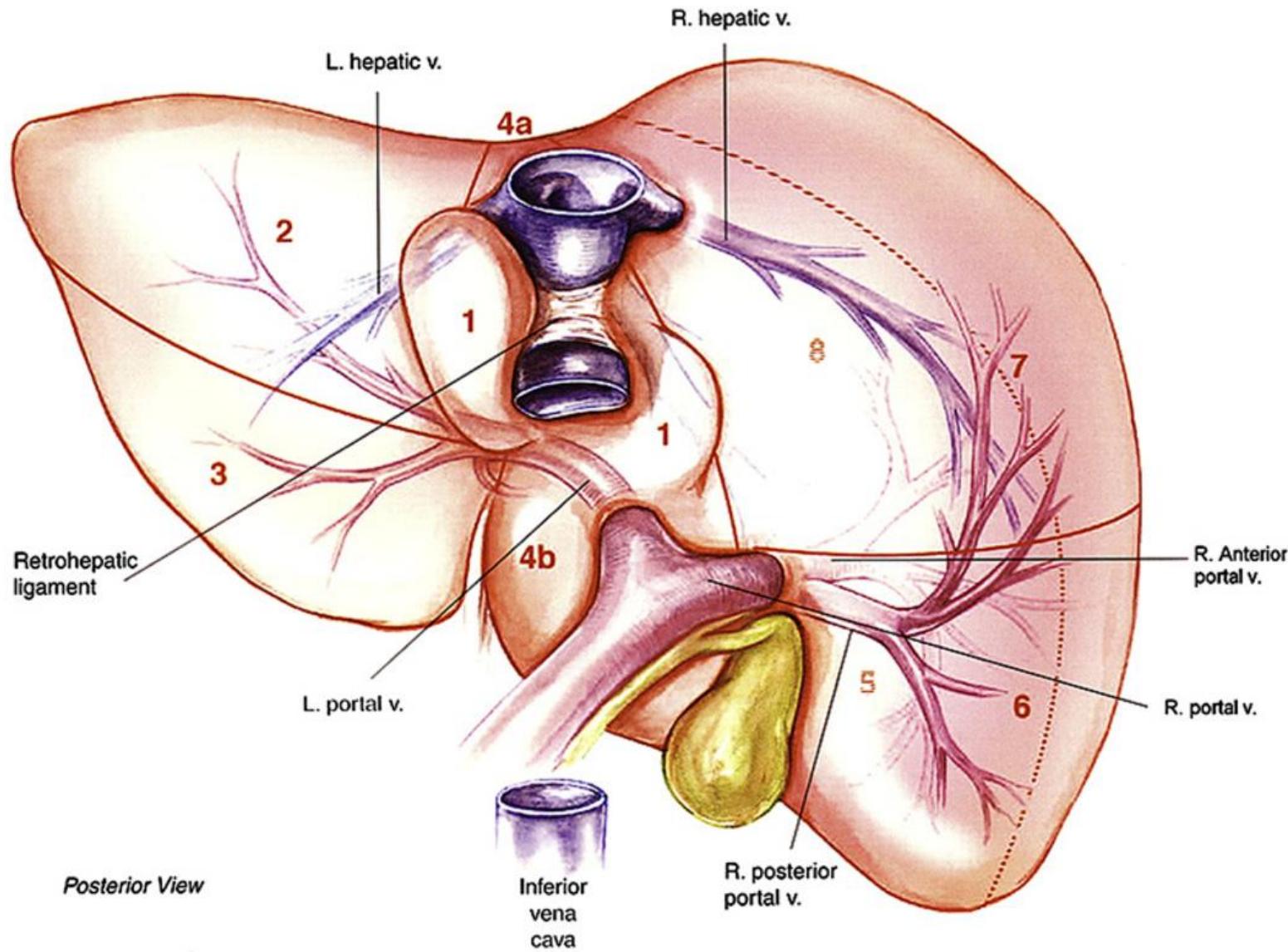


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Posterior View



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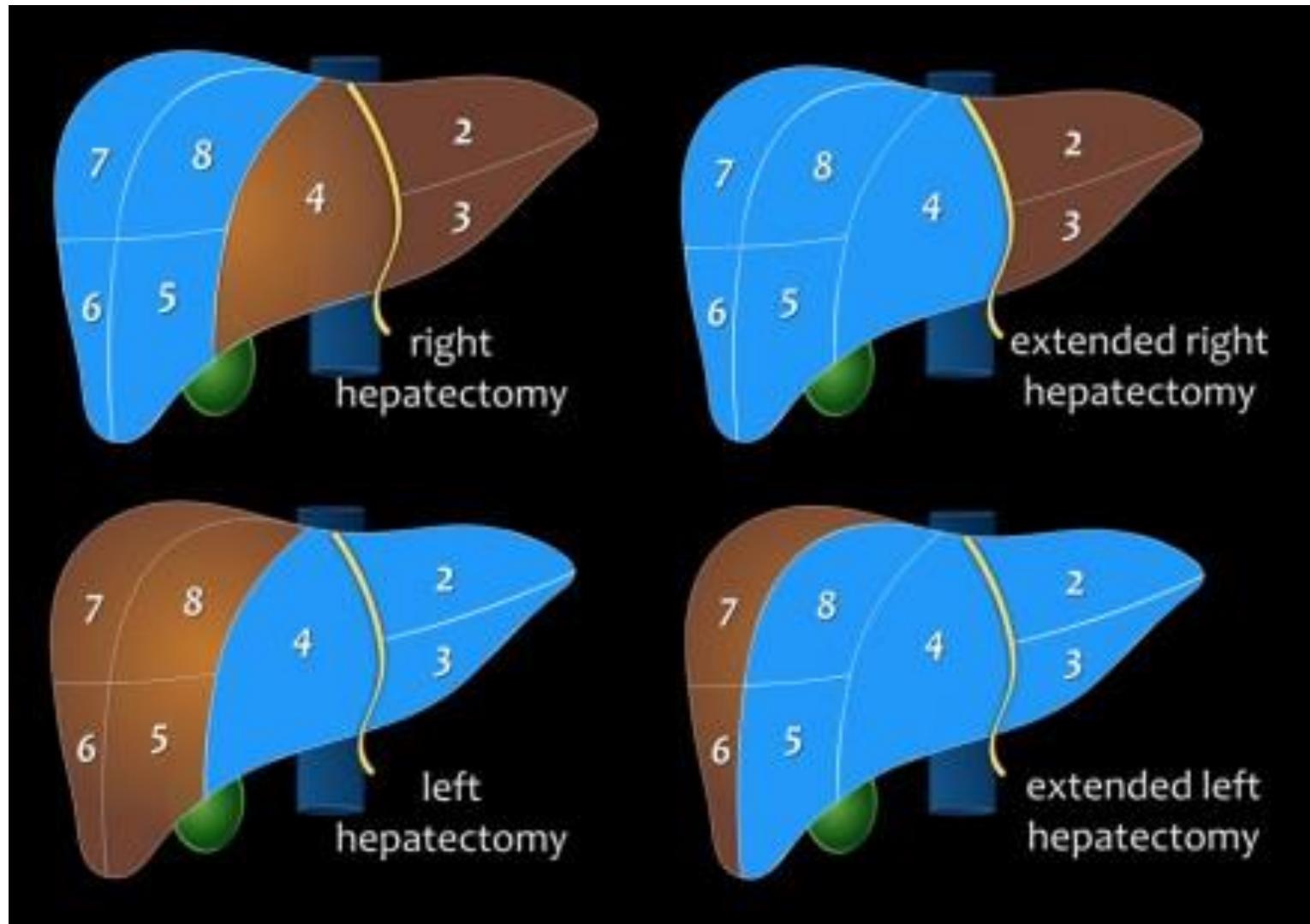


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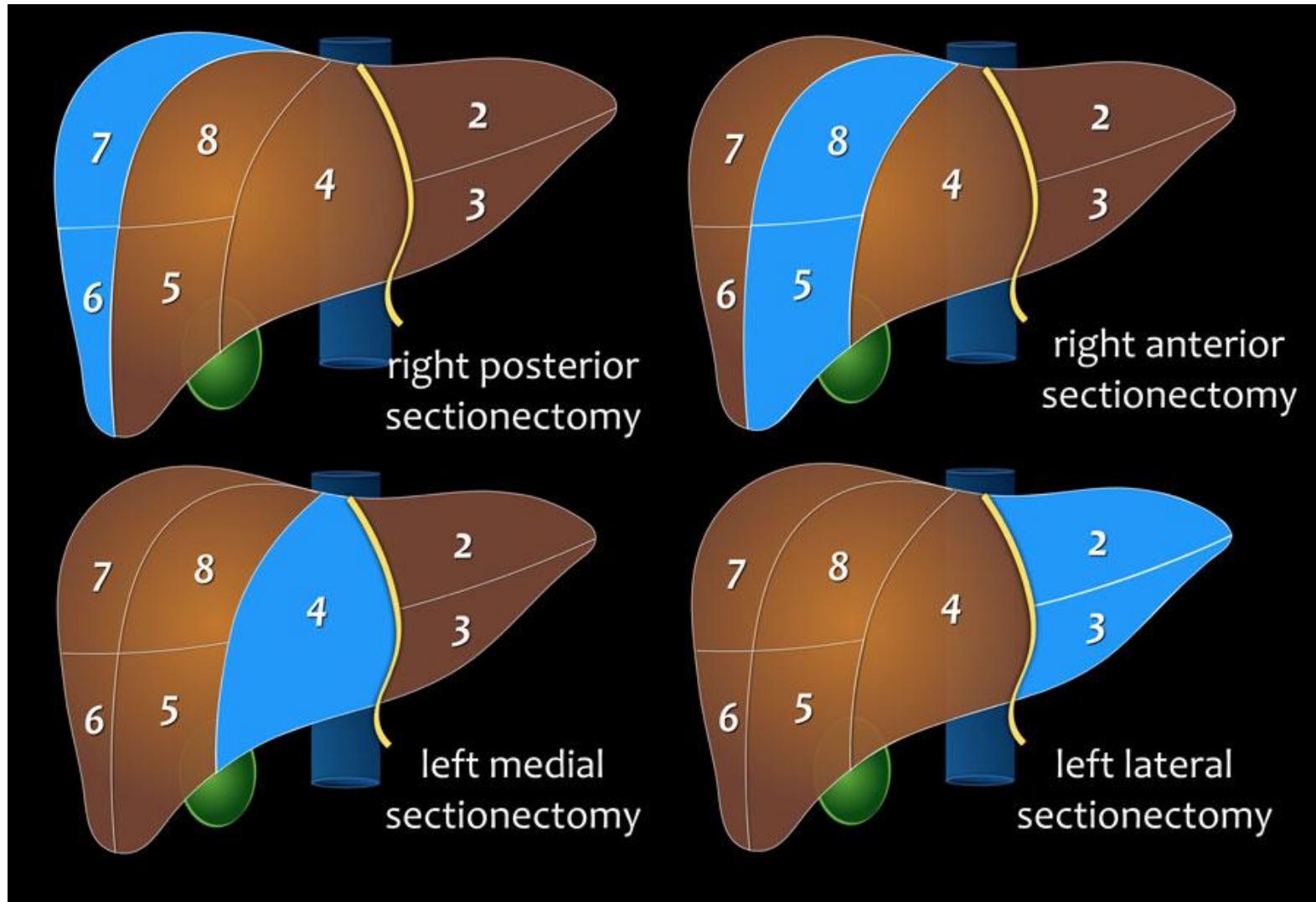


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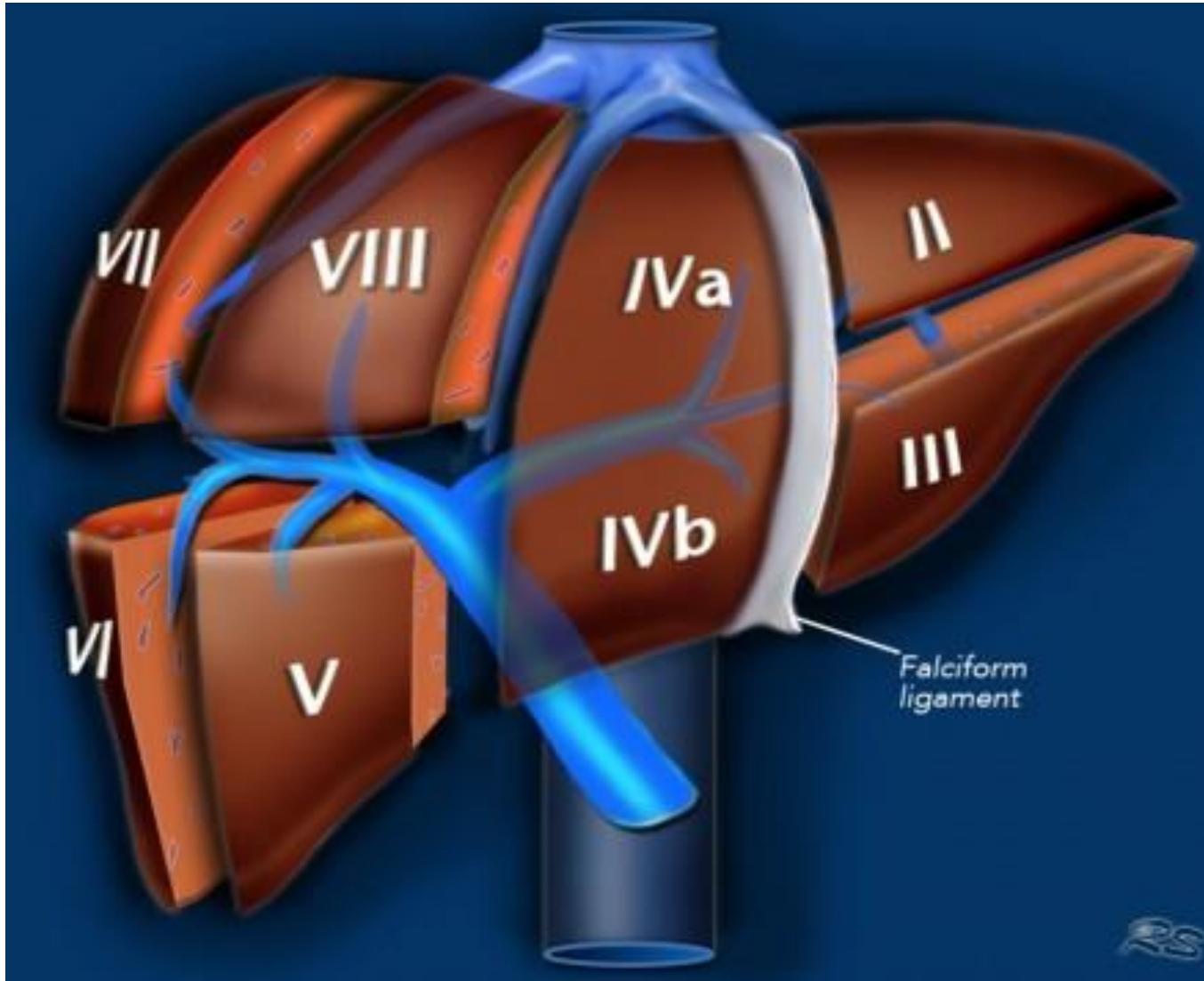
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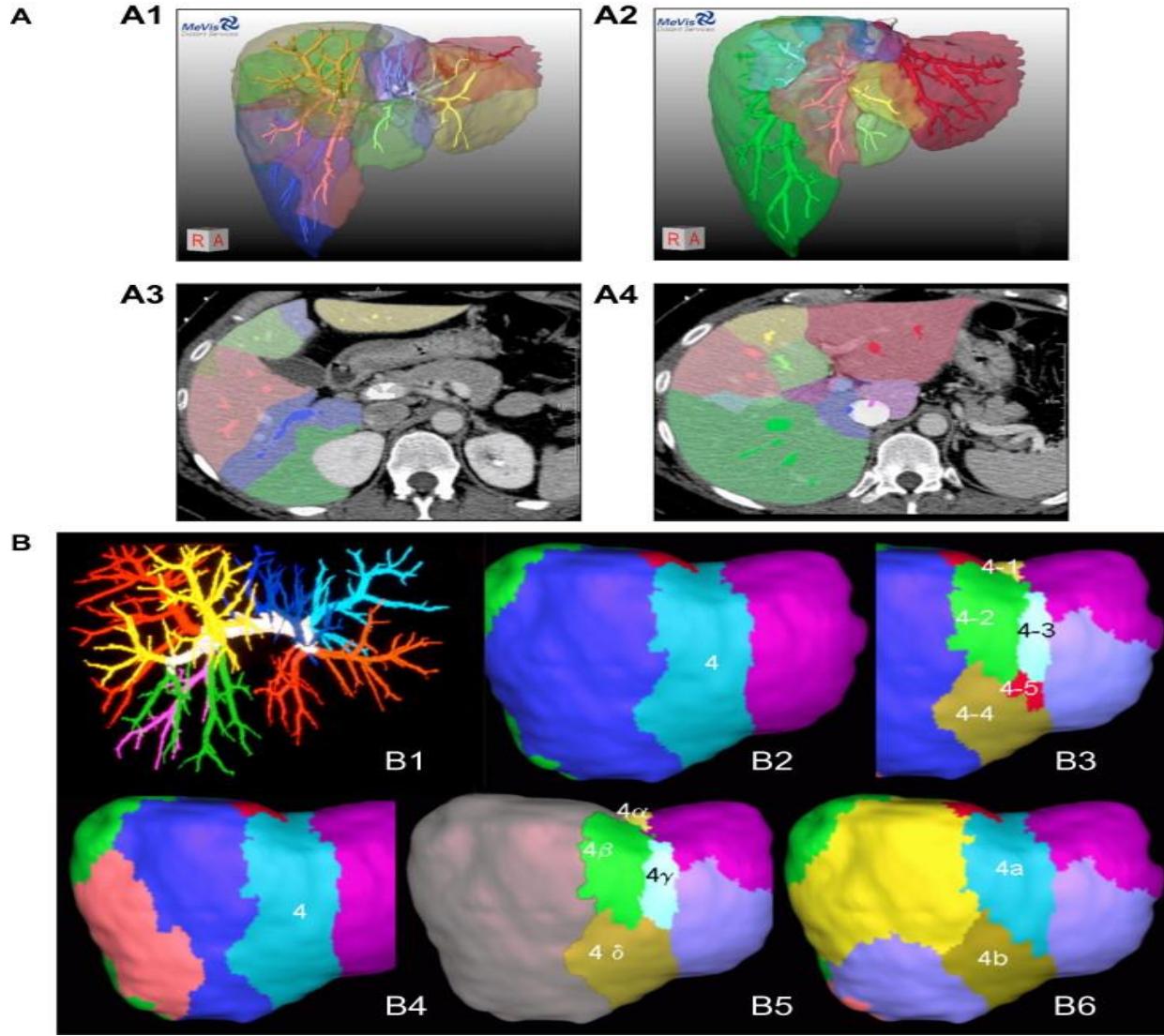
Anatomy 12



Anatomy 13



Anatomy 14



Key Points

- The anatomy of each liver can be represented at three levels of complexity, according to the uses that the description has to serve
- The first - conventional - level corresponds to Couinaud's 8-segments scheme and is a very useful referential framework for the localization of focal lesions. It allows a common language between clinicians of different specialties and it is based in fact on the three hepatic veins and on the level of the portal bifurcation rather than on the portal anatomy
- The second - surgical - level corresponds to the actual (and not the theoretical or schematic) branching of the hepatic vessels. Imaging and surgical techniques are now available to identify and follow this real anatomy during modern liver surgery, allowing anatomically tailored territorial liver resections, but this requires independence from the Couinaud representation
- The third - academic - level is for the anatomist: a 1-2-20 concept for the number of zero-, first-, and second-order branches respectively, can take into account Couinaud's as well as other segmentations, and does justice to the beautiful complexity of the hepatic vascular tree

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