Chapter 6-Nutrition: Human digestive system

Salivary glands

- -produces saliva
- -saliva contains:
- 1. water: gives moisture to food
- 2. <u>mucus</u>: attaches small pieces of food to form bolus
- 3. <u>salivary amylase</u>: digests starch Example:

Salivary amylase

Starch ______ maltose

Liver

- -produces bile
- -bile stored in gall bladder

Gall bladder

- -stores bile (alkaline)
- -no enzymes
- -purpose of bile:
- 1. emulsifies lipid into lipid droplets so that the surface area is increased.
- This increases lipase digestion.
- 2. provides an optimum pH in duodenum so that pancreatic enzymes can work efficiently.

Duodenum

- -part of small intestine
- -the region after stomach
- -does not produce enzymes
- -place where bile and pancreatic enzymes meet.

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- -part of small intestine
- -absorbs digested food
- -produces intestinal juice (alkaline)
- -juice contains **SMEL** enzymes

Sucrase

sucrose — > glucose + fructose

Maltase

maltose _______ glucose

Erepsin

peptides ______ amino acids

Lactase

Mouth

- -teeth breaks food into smaller pieces. This increases surface area for salivary amylase reaction
- -contains saliva from salivary glands
- -tongue:
- 1.tastes food
- 2.pushes food towards teeth while eating
- 3. rolls food pieces into bolus (ball)

Oesophagus

- -moves bolus towards stomach through peristalsis
- -peristalsis: rhythmic contraction and relaxation of the alimentary canal.
- -no enzymes

Stomach

-produces gastric juice (acidic) -gastric juice contains:

1. Hydrochloric acid:

- i) to kill microorganisms in food
- ii) to set an optimum pH for stomach enzymes
- iii) to stop the activity of salivary amylase

2. Pepsin:

pepsin

Protein ————— Polypeptides

3. Rennin:

Rennin

Caseinogen — — — casein
(soluble milk protein) — protein)

Pancrease

-produces pancreatic juice (alkaline) -juice contains **LAT** (Lipase, **A**mylase, **T**rypsin) enzymes:

Lipase

1. fats/lipids — fatty acids

+
glycerol

Amylase

2. starch — maltose

Trypsin

3. Polypeptides ————— peptides

-expels faeces

Anus

Rectum

- -part of large intestine-stores faeces temporarily
- -no enzymes

Colon

- -part of large intestine
- -no enzymes
- -absorbs water from chyme