



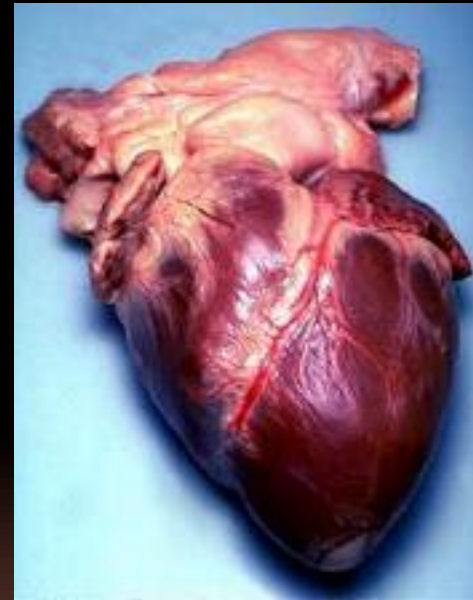
## Chapter 14



# THE HEART

# Layers of the Heart

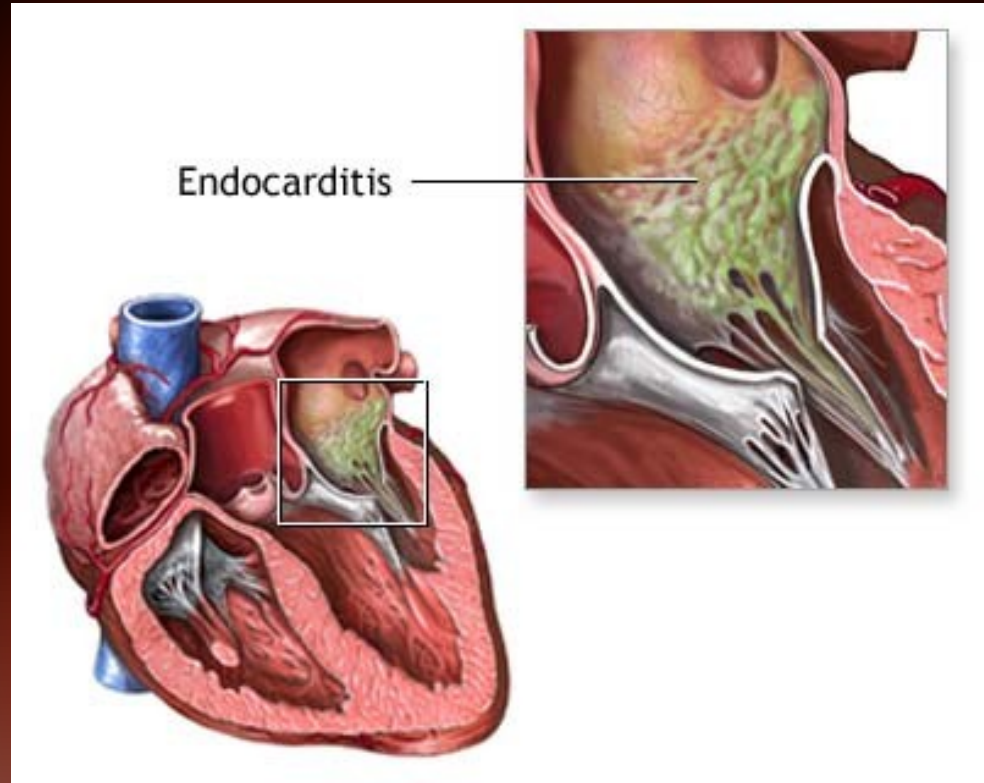
- Endocardium
- Myocardium
- Epicardium



# Layers of the Heart

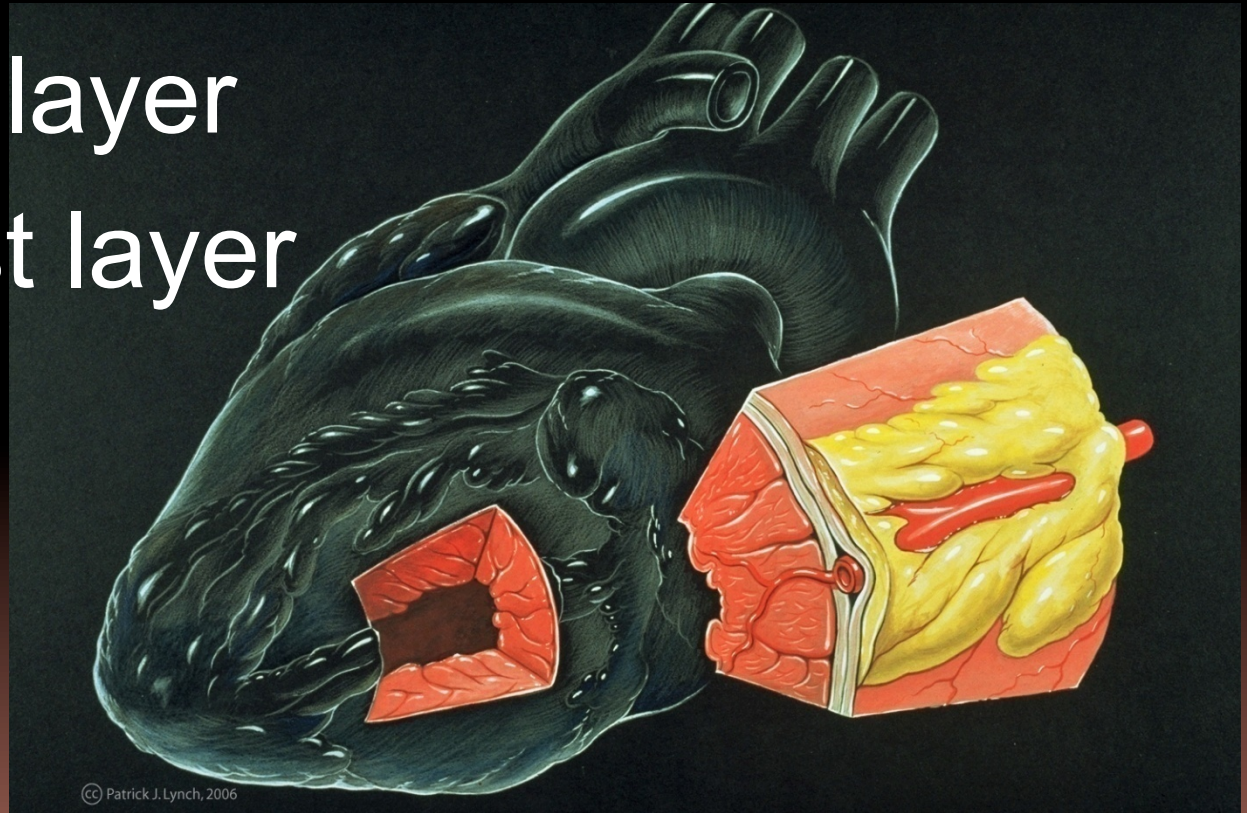
- **Endocardium**

- Smooth layer
- Lines the interior
- Valves are made from this layer



# Layers of the Heart

- **Myocardium**
  - ▣ Muscle layer
  - ▣ Thickest layer



# Layers of the Heart

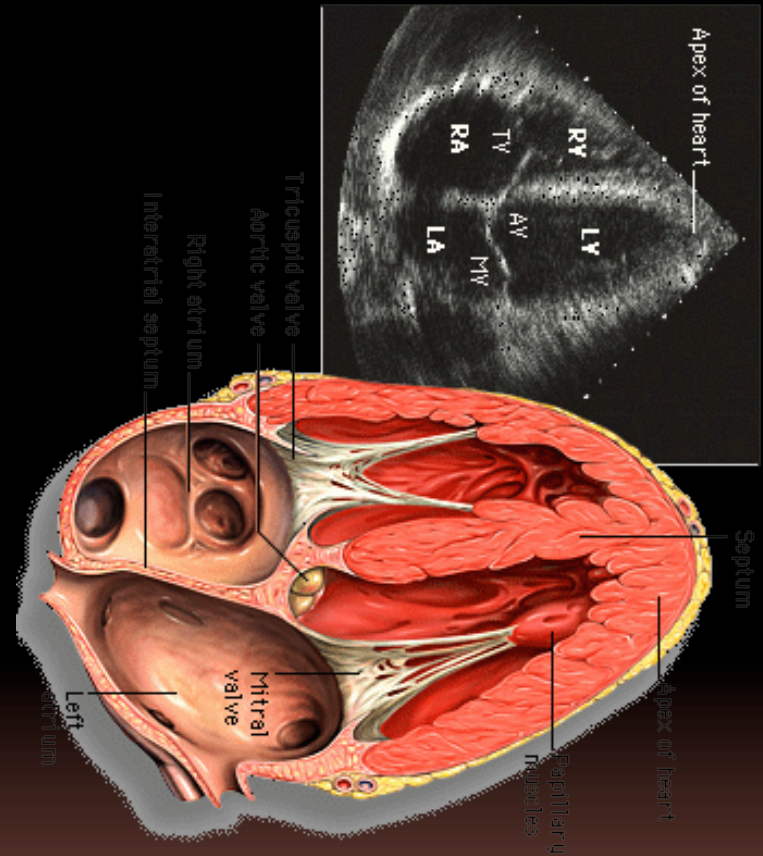
- **Epicardium**
  - Thin, outermost layer
  - Joins with serous lining outside the heart to form the pericardium





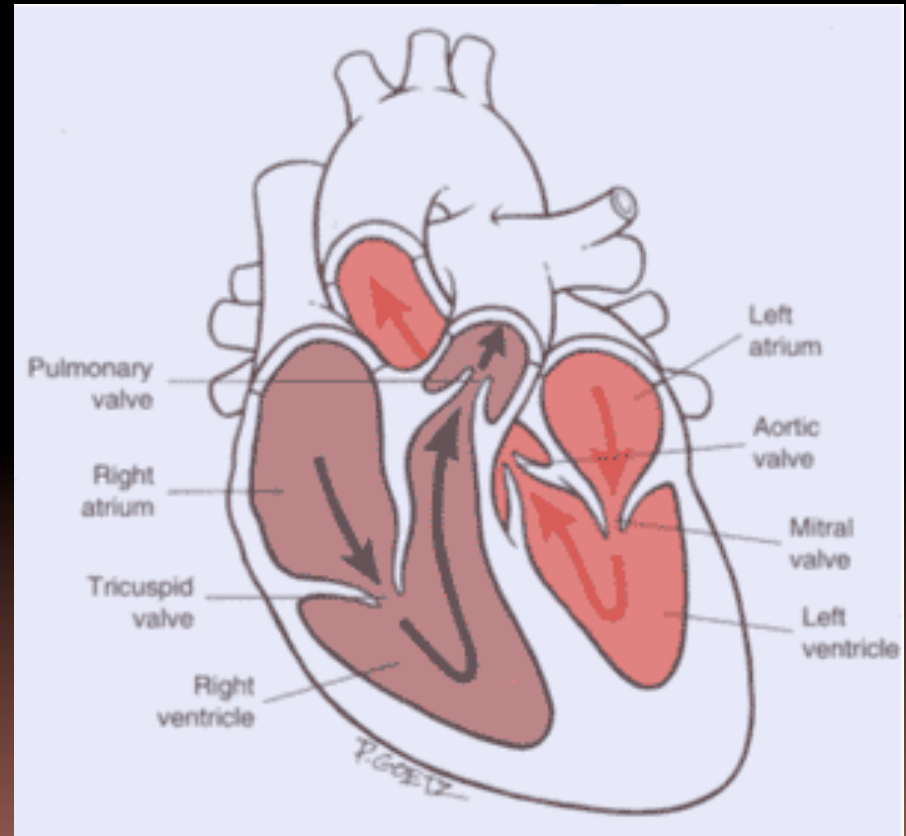
# Septum

- Separates the left and right heart
- **Interatrial** – top part of the septum
- **Interventricular** – bottom part of the septum



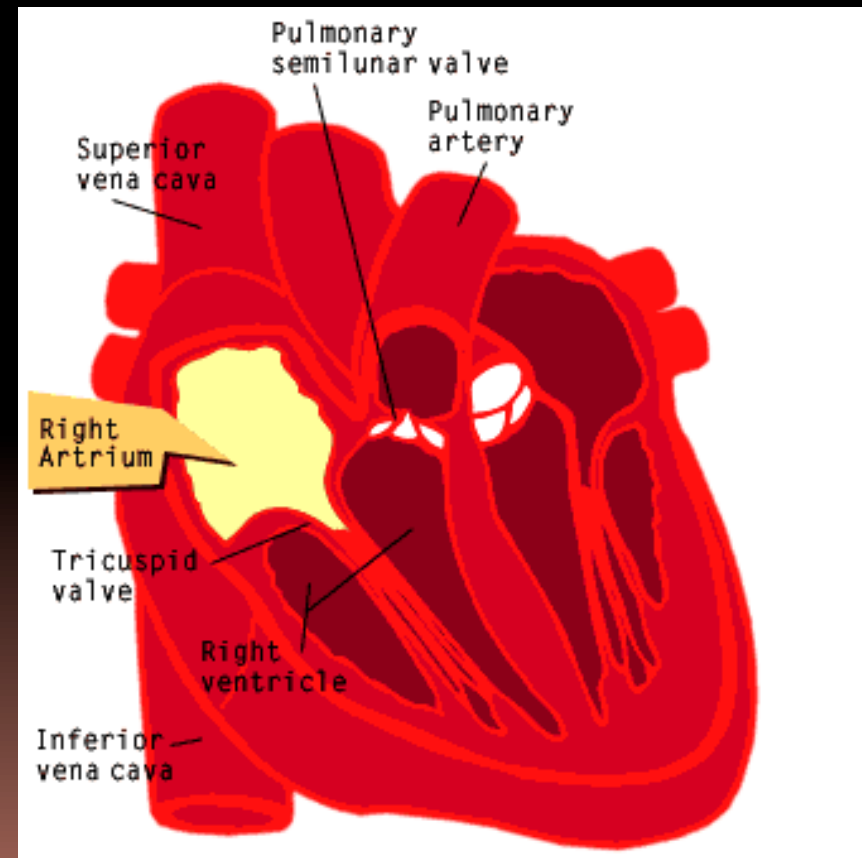
# The Four Chambers

- Right Atrium
- Right Ventricle
- Left Atrium
- Left Ventricle



# The Four Chambers

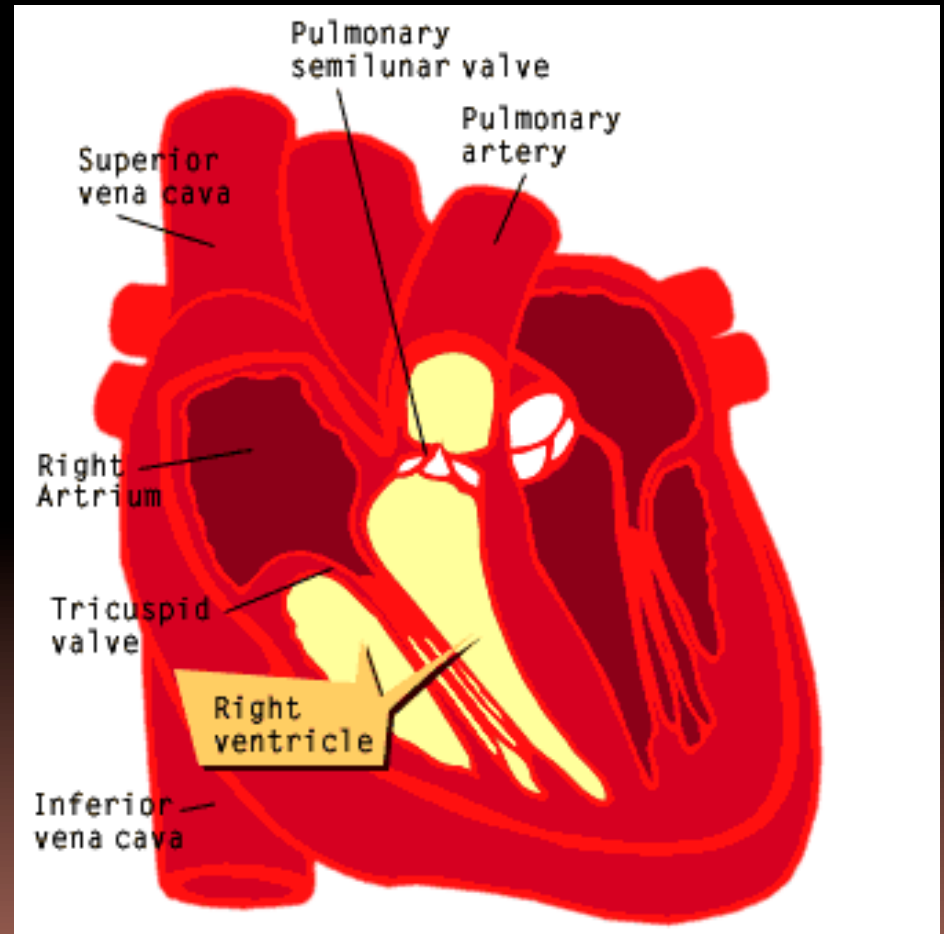
- **Right Atrium** – receives blood from the superior and inferior vena cava





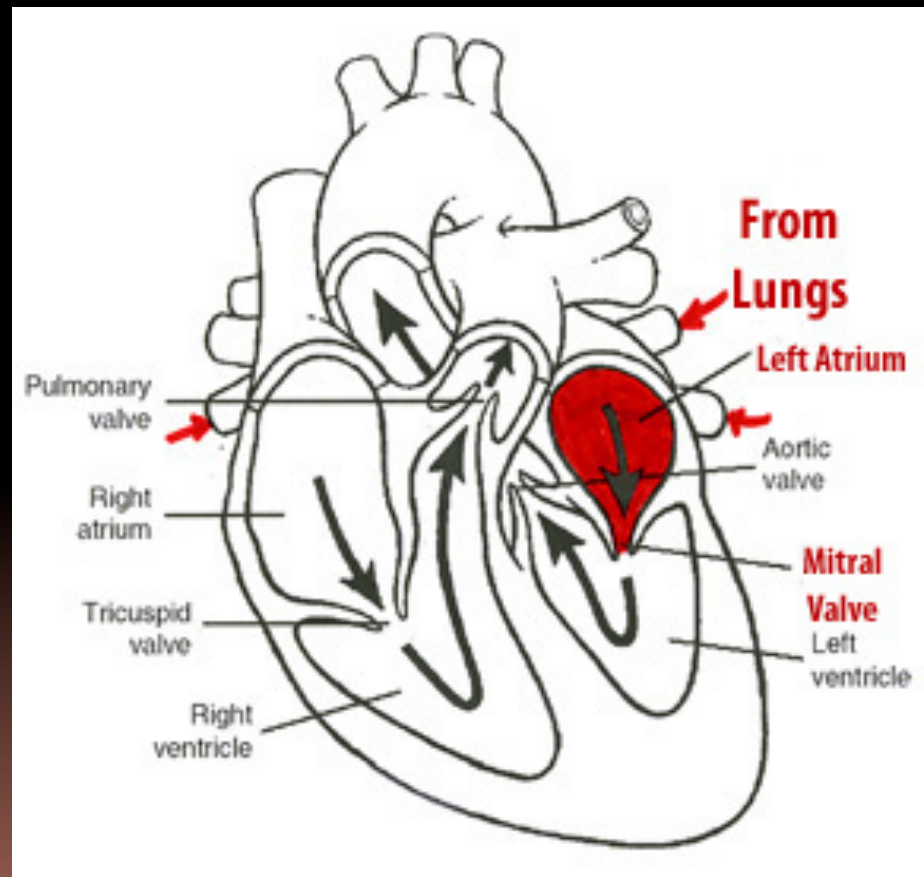
# The Four Chambers

- **Right Ventricle** – pumps blood to the lungs



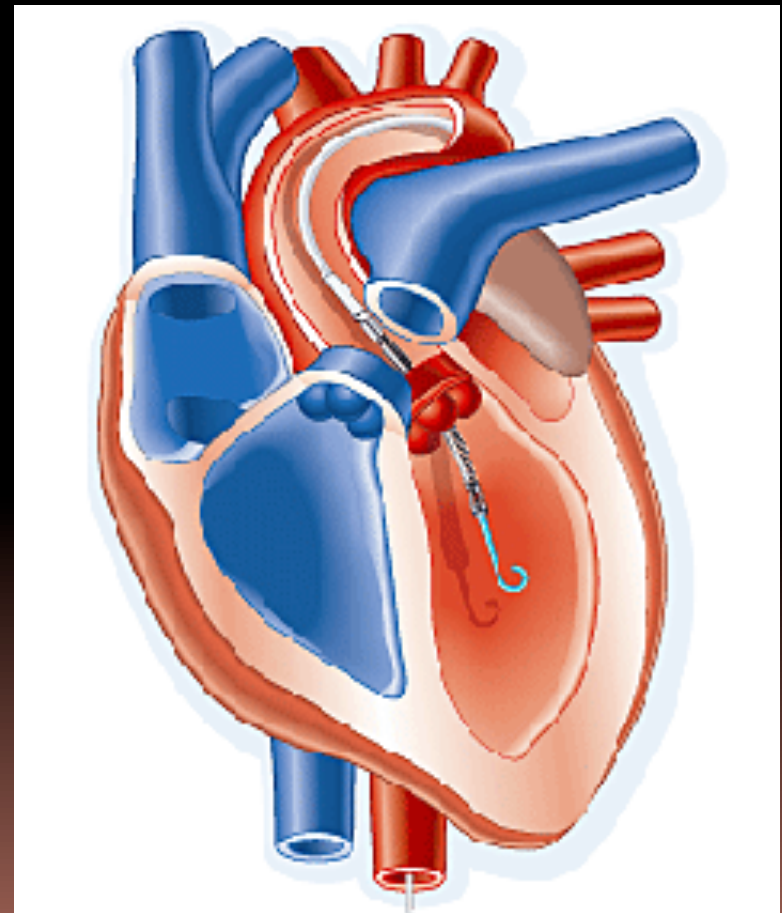
# The Four Chambers

- **Left Atrium** – receives oxygenated blood from the lungs



# The Four Chambers

- **Left Ventricle** –  
pumps  
oxygenated  
blood to the rest  
of the body,  
strongest  
chamber



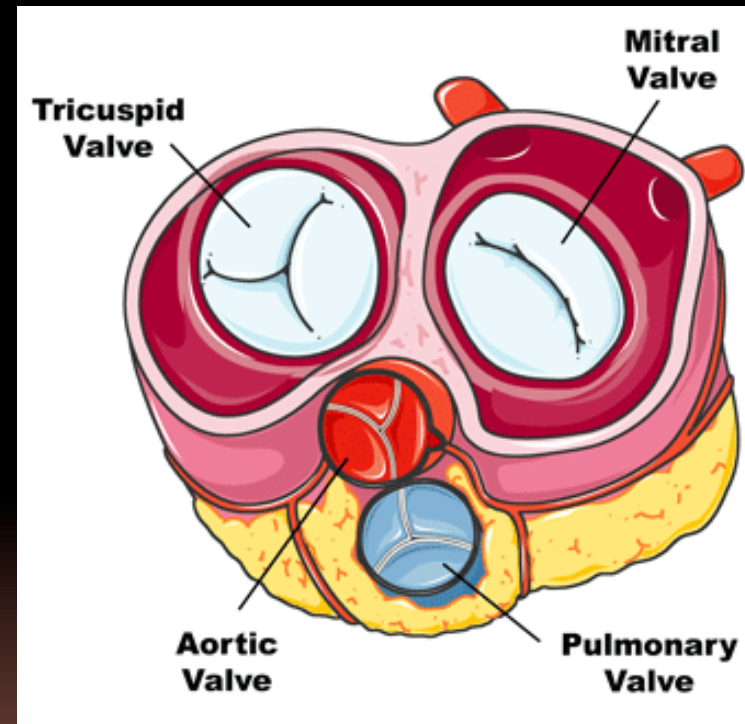
# Valves

- Valves allow blood to flow in only one direction



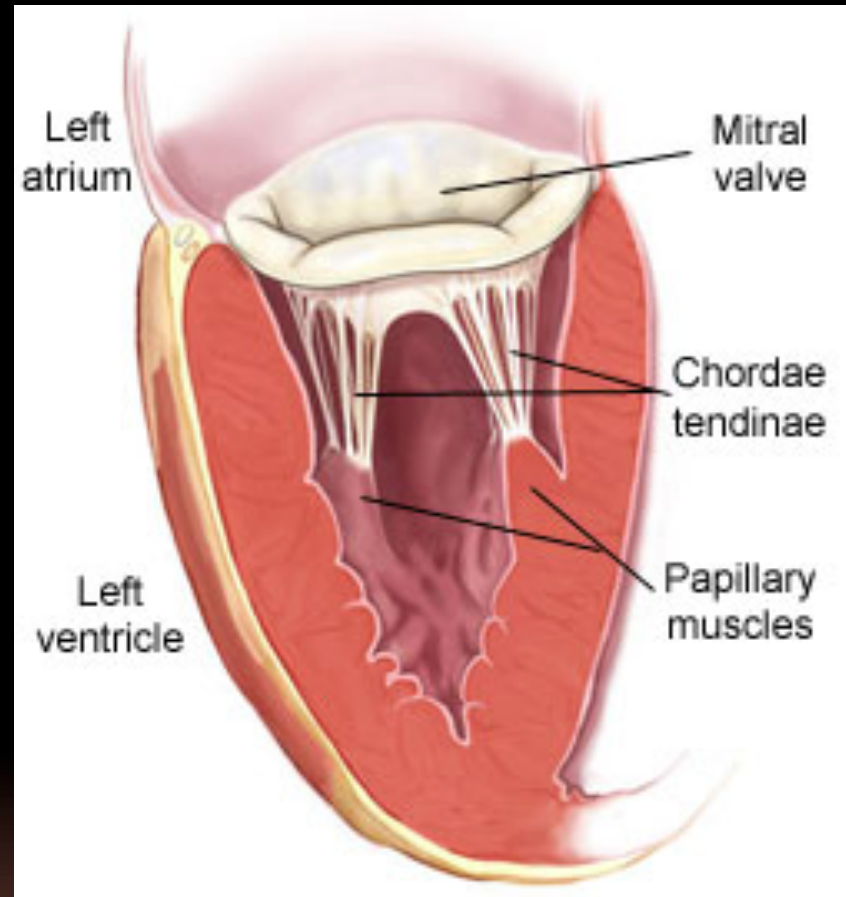
# Valves

- Right  
Atrioventricular  
(tricuspid valve)
- Pulmonic  
(semilunar valve)
- Left  
Atrioventricular  
(bicuspid valve, mitral valve)
- Aortic Valve



# Valves

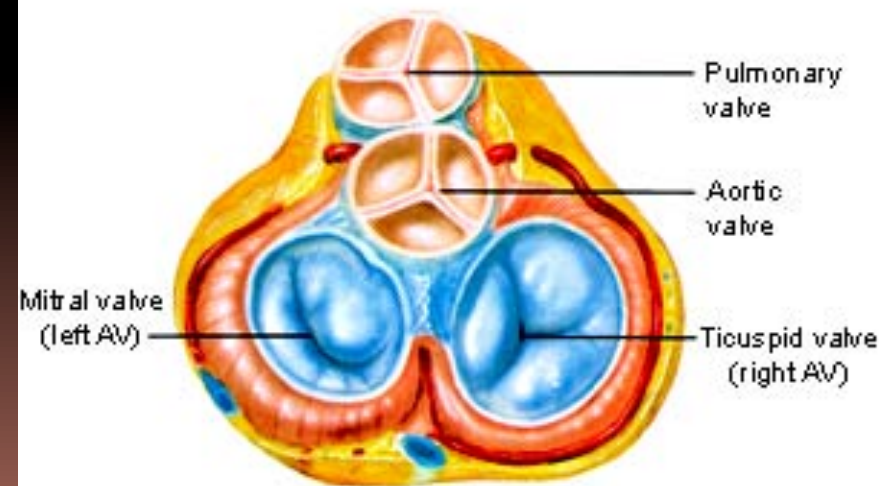
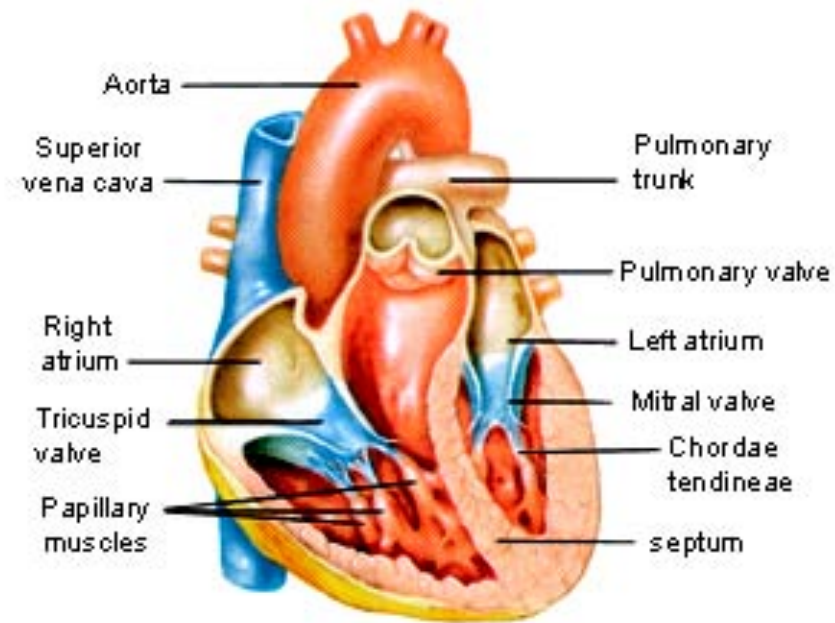
- Chordae tendineae – threads, keep valve flaps from flipping up into the atria





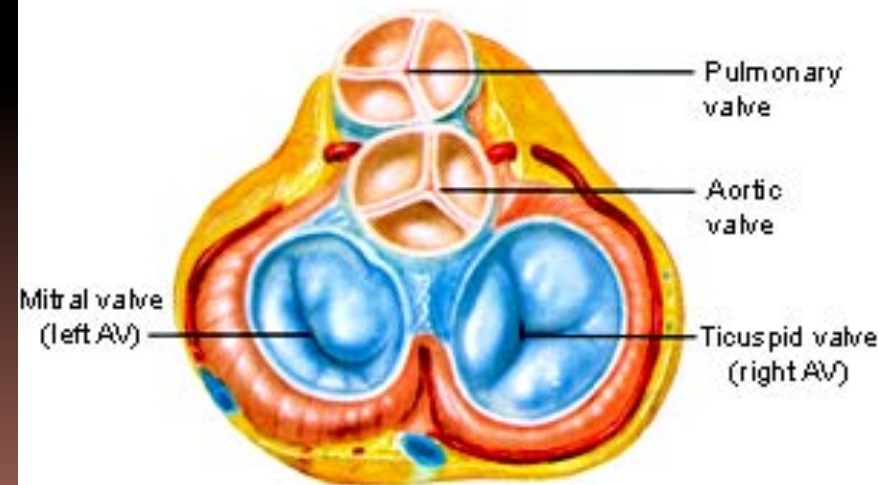
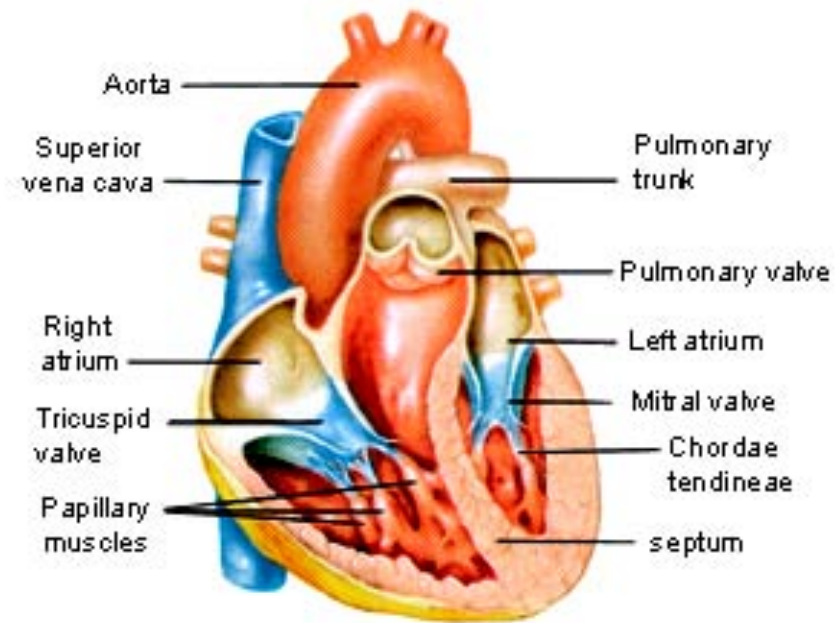
# Valves

- **Right**  
**Atrioventricular**  
**(tricuspid valve)** –  
between the right  
atrium and right  
ventricle, has 3  
flaps, prevents  
blood from flowing  
back into the right  
atrium



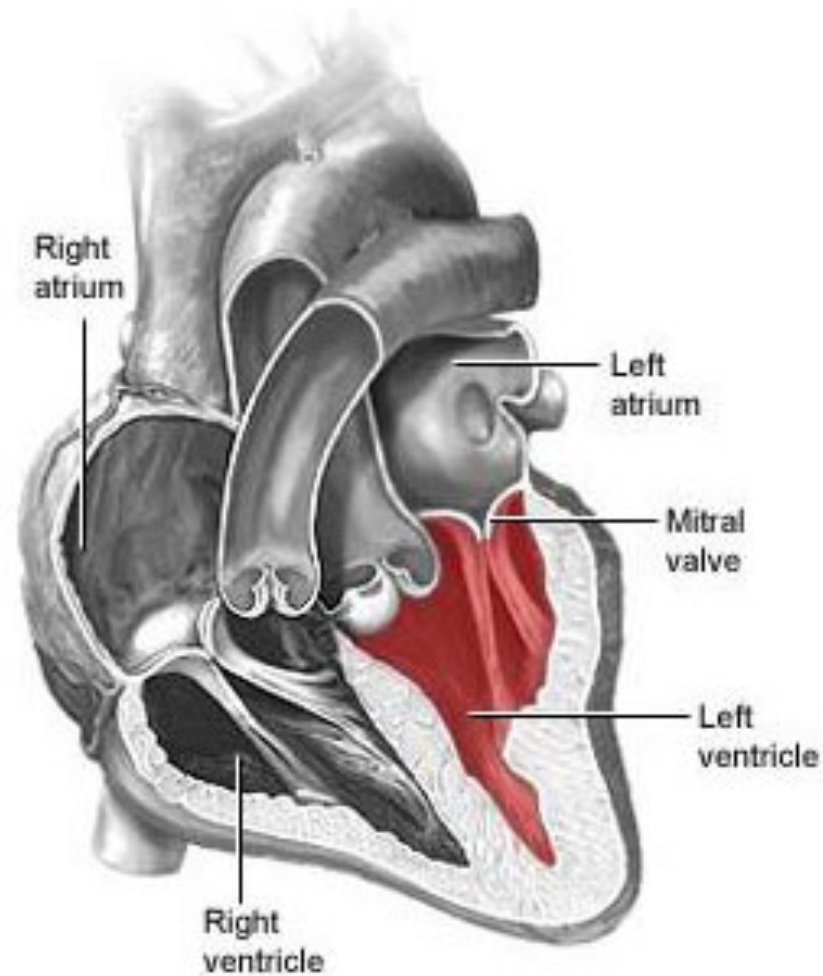
# Valves

- **Pulmonic (semilunar valve)**
  - between the right ventricle and the pulmonary artery, prevents blood from flowing back into the right ventricle



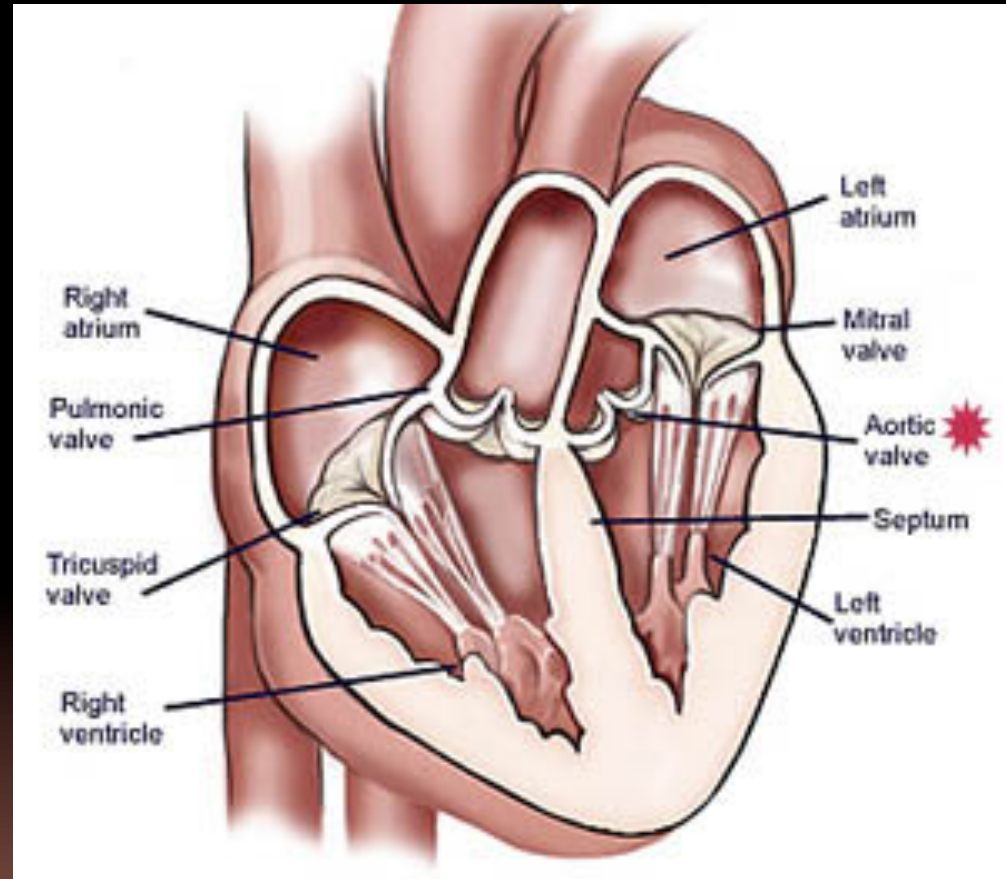
# Valves

- **Left Atrioventricular (bicuspid valve)** – between the left atrium and left ventricle, prevents blood from flowing back into the left atrium, has 2 flaps (mitral valve)



# Valves

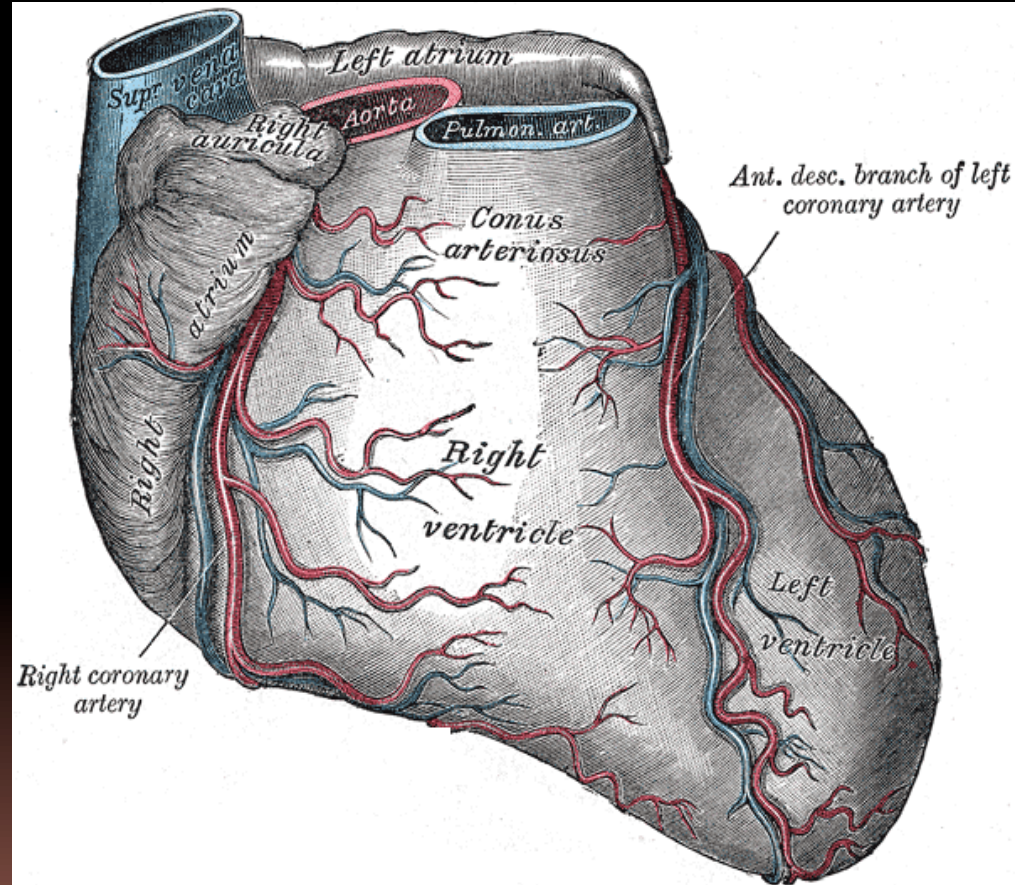
- **Aortic Valve** – between the left ventricle and the aorta, prevents blood from flowing back into the left ventricle





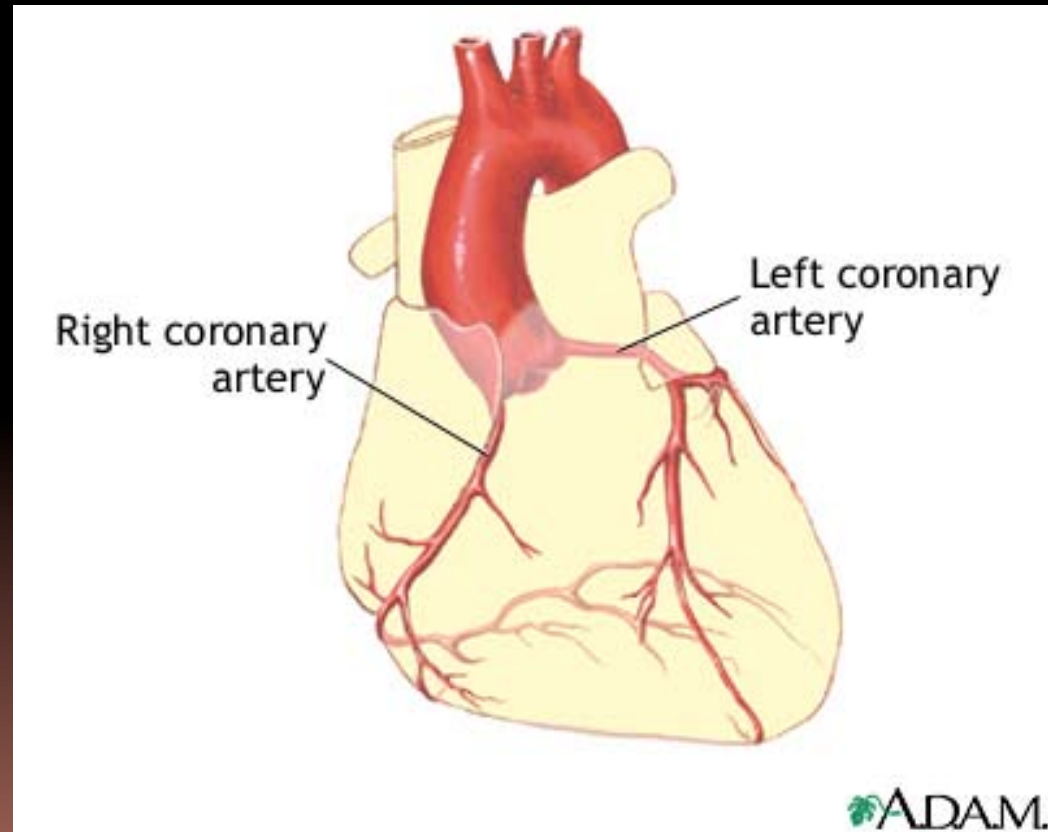
# Blood Supply to the Myocardium

- Heart muscle itself needs blood supply



# Blood Supply to the Myocardium

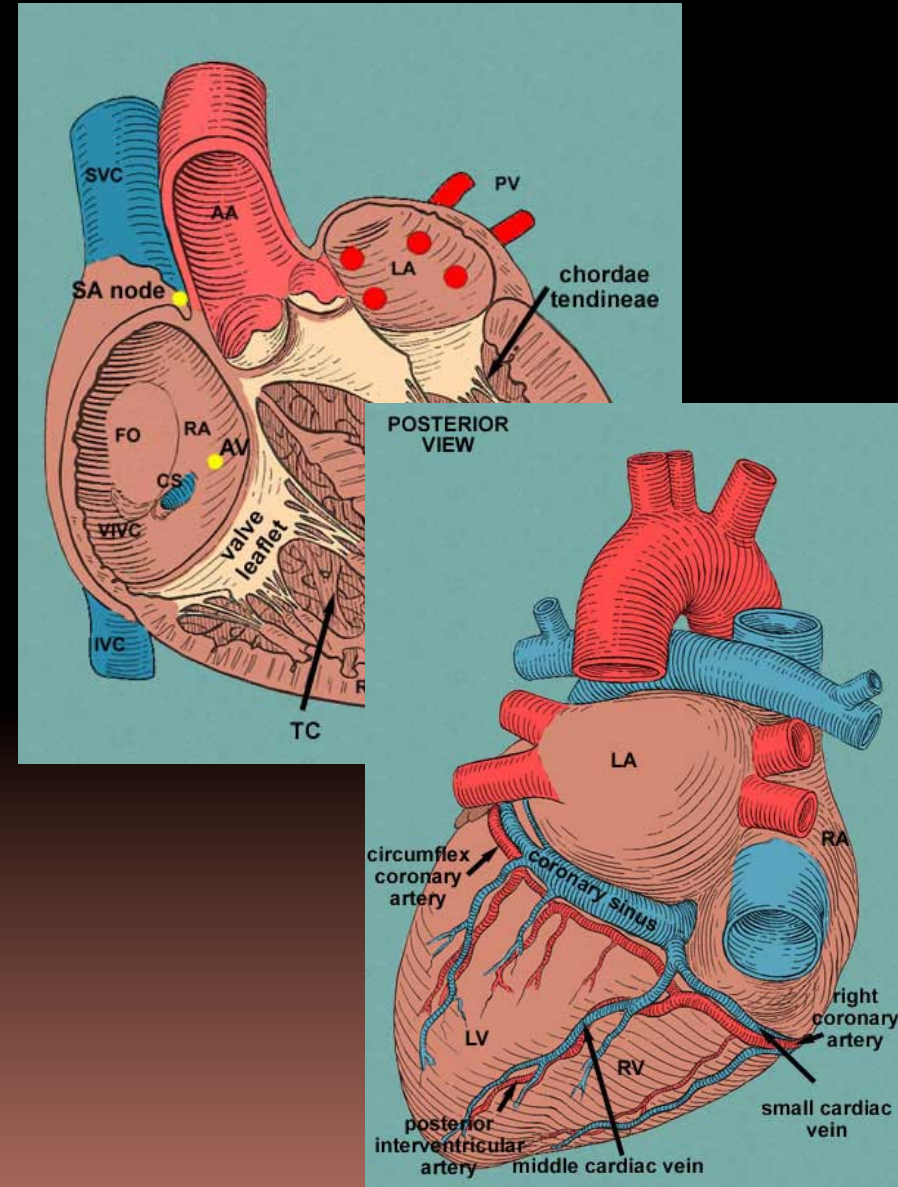
- Blood supplied through the right and left coronary arteries
  - ▣ First branches off the aorta





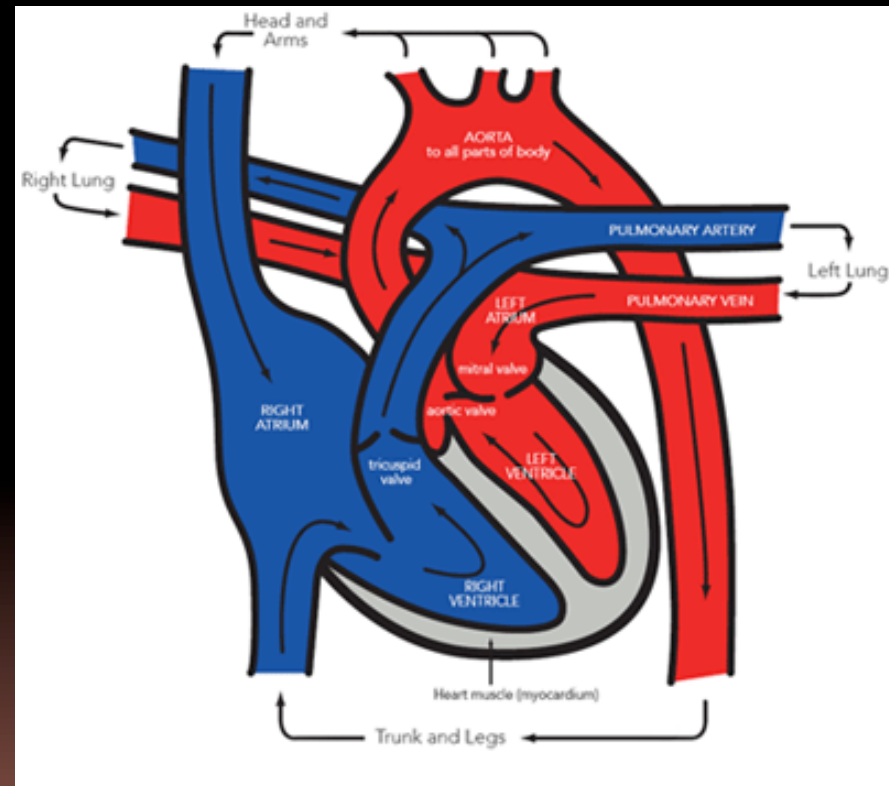
# Blood Supply to the Myocardium

- Coronary sinus collects venous blood from the heart and empties into the right atrium



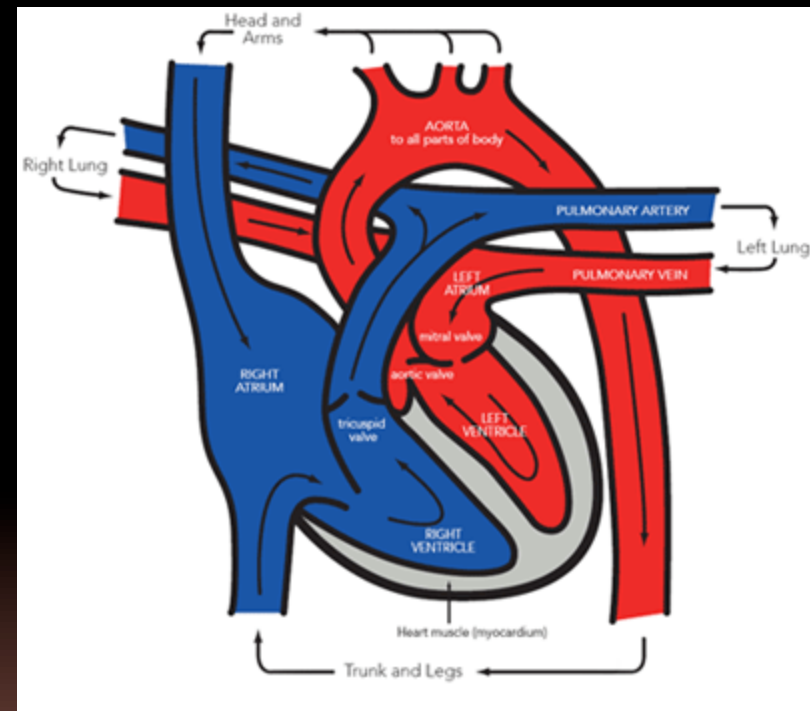
# Physiology of the Heart

- Blood flow through the heart: Enters the right atrium through the superior & inferior vena cava. When the atria contract, blood flows through the tricuspid valve to the right ventricle.



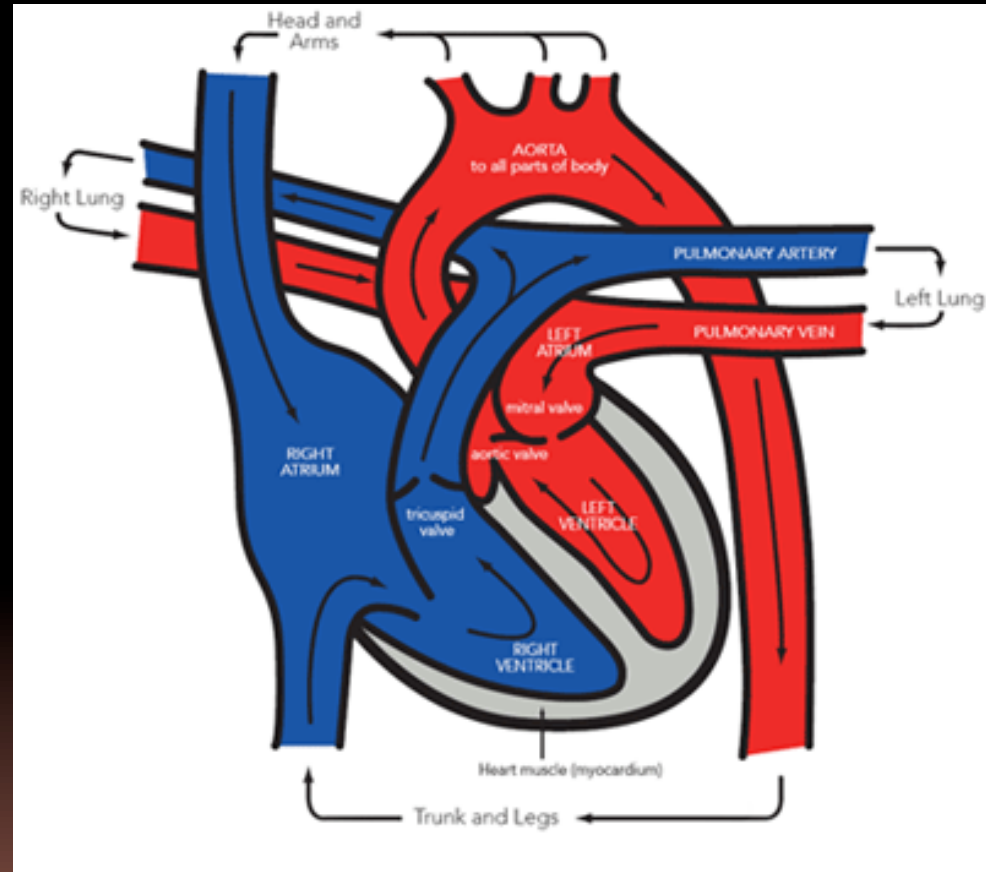
# Physiology of the Heart

- When the ventricles contract, blood flows through the pulmonic valve to the pulmonary arteries and to the lungs. There blood is oxygenated, then returned to the heart through the pulmonary veins.



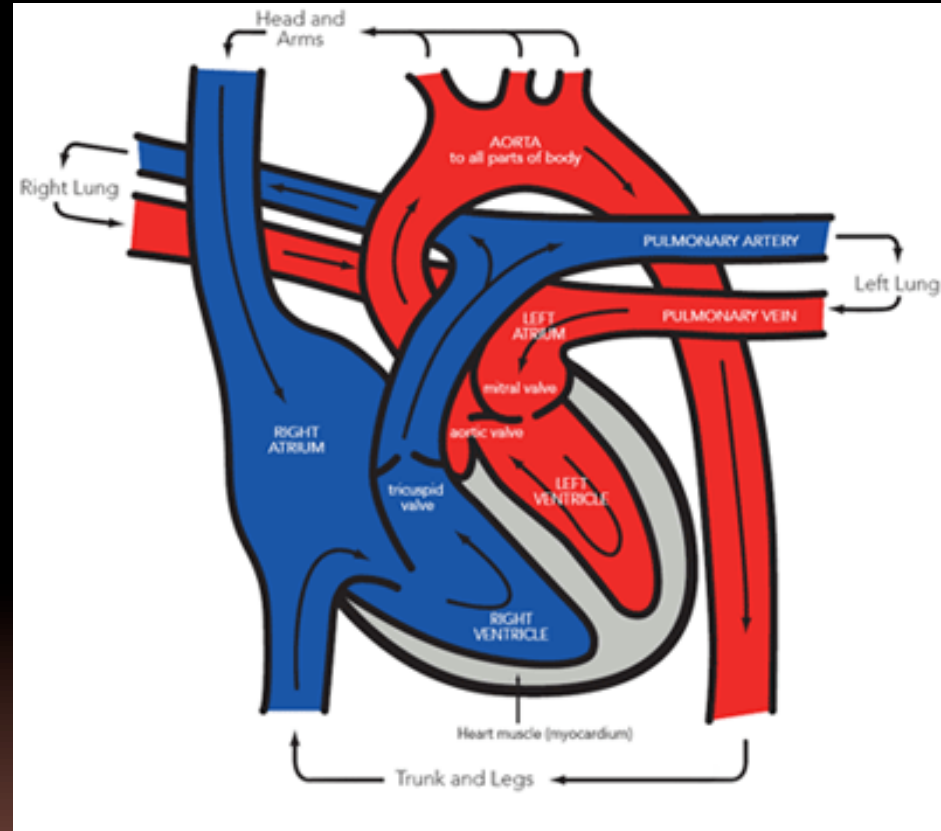
# Physiology of the Heart

- Oxygenated blood enters the left atrium through the pulmonary veins.
- When the atria contract, blood flows through the bicuspid valve and into the left ventricle.

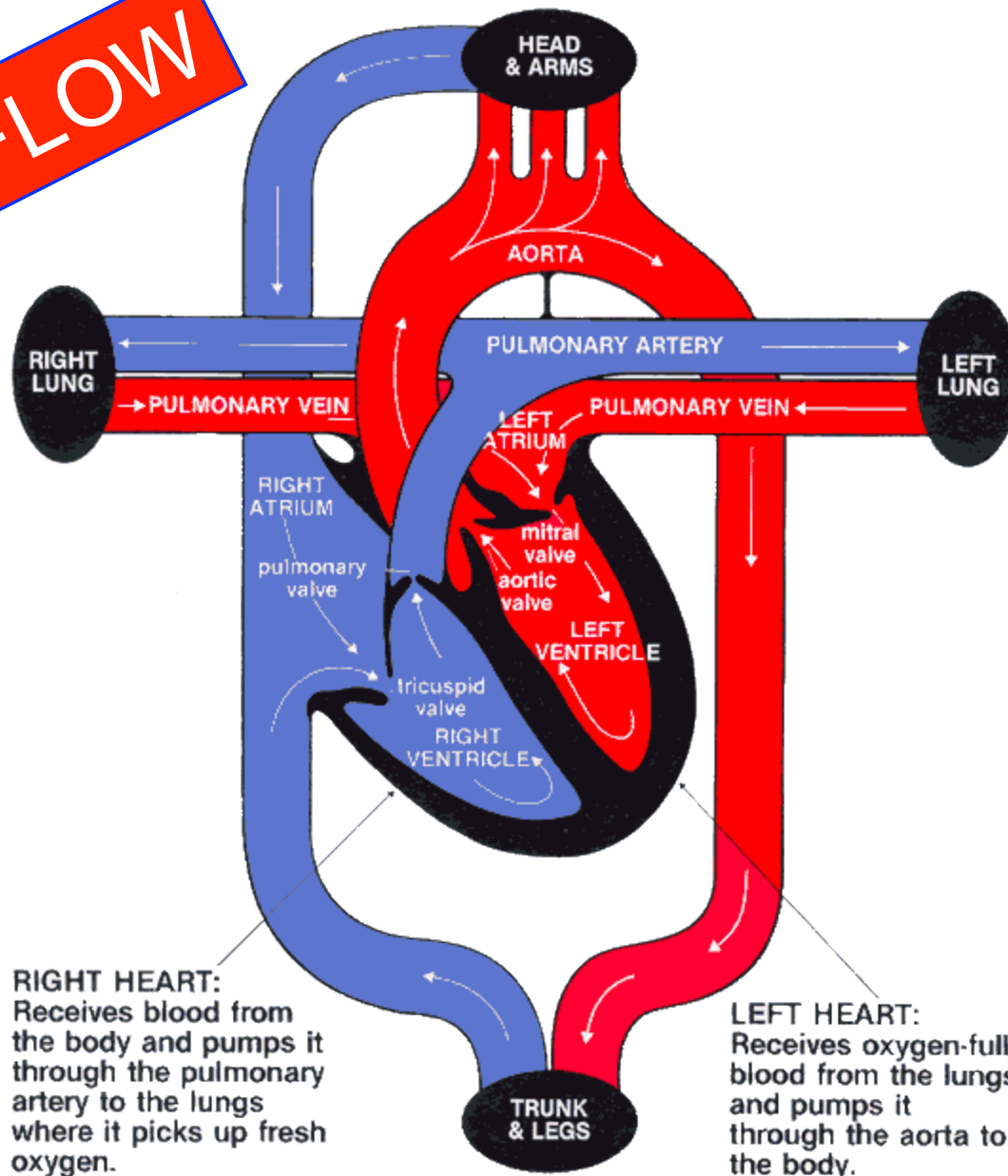


# Physiology of the Heart

- When the ventricles contract, blood flows through the aortic valve and into the aorta, then to the rest of the body



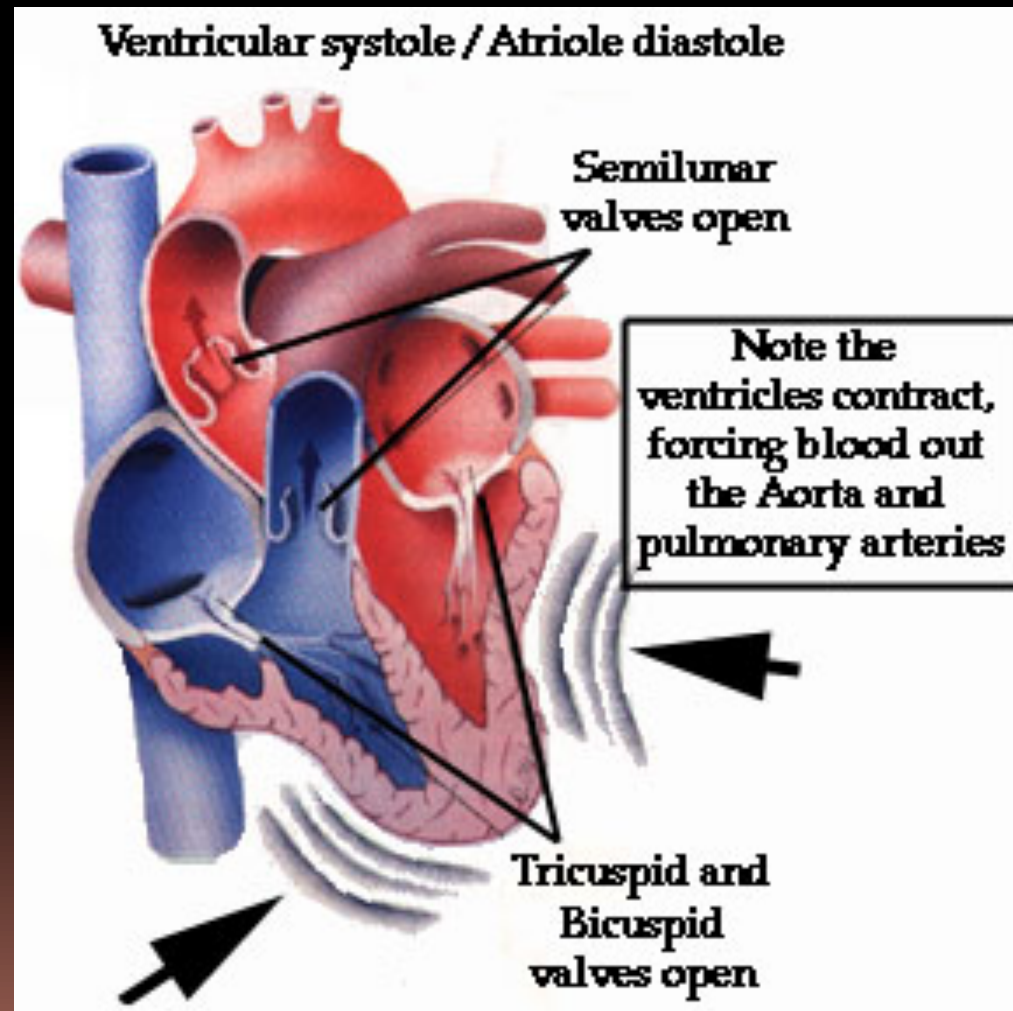
# BLOOD FLOW





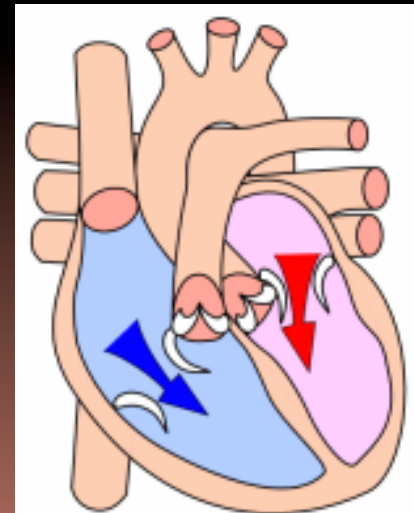
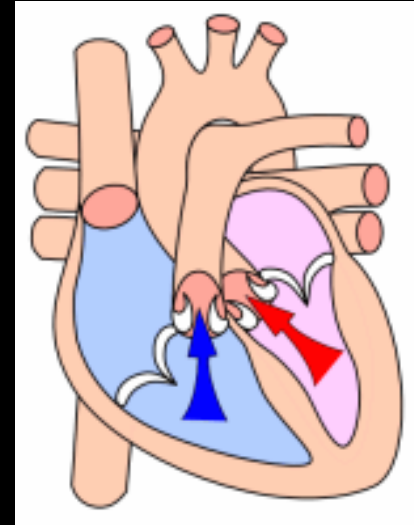
# Physiology of the Heart

- Both atria contract at the same time, followed by the contraction of both ventricles



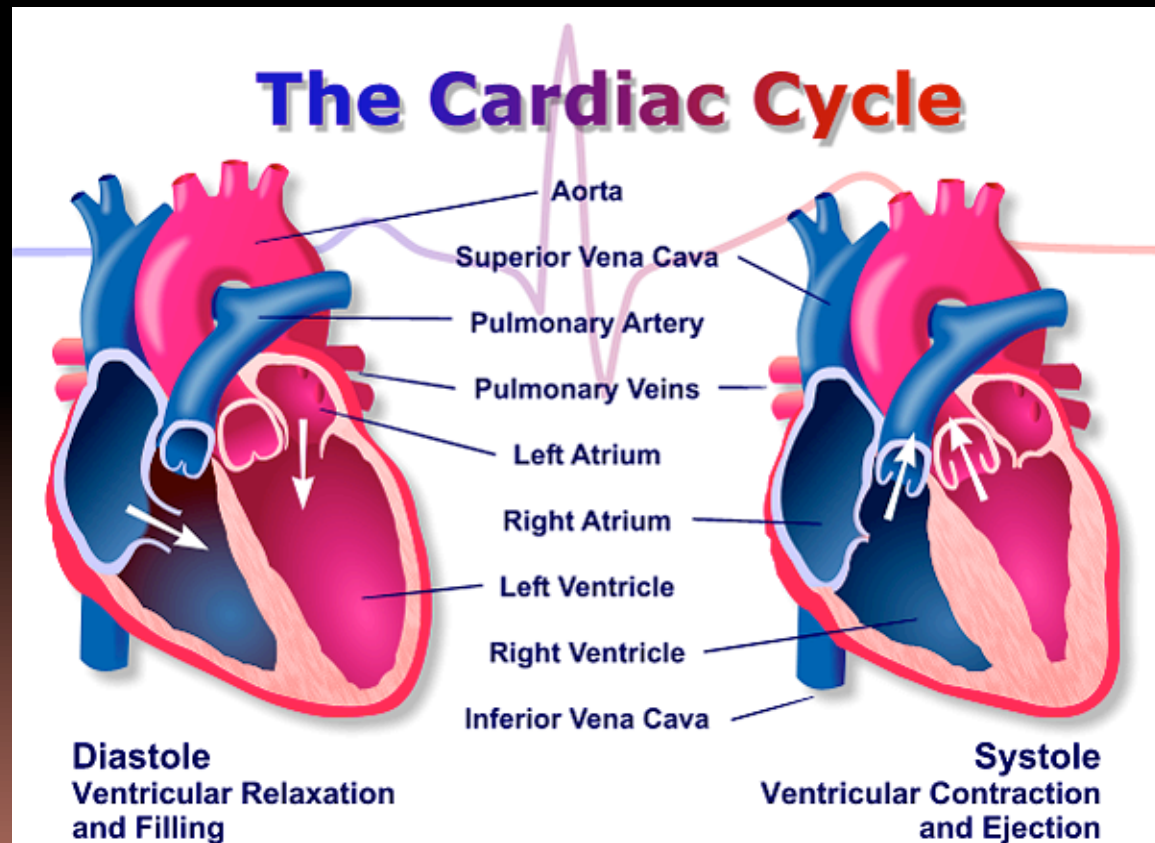
# Physiology of the Heart

- **Systole** – active phase of the heart when the chambers are contracting
- **Diastole** – resting phase of the heart, when the chambers are filling with blood



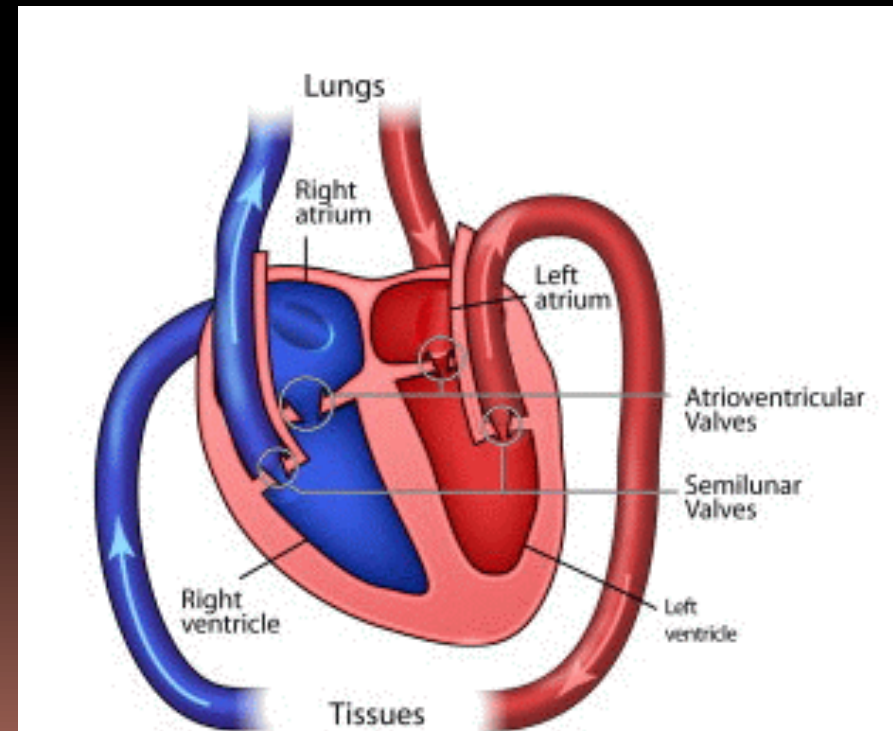
# Physiology of the Heart

- **Cardiac Cycle** – sequence of heart contractions and relaxations



# Physiology of the Heart

- **Cardiac Output** – volume of blood pumped by each ventricle in 1 min, avg about 5 liters/min for an adult at rest



# Physiology of the Heart

- **Stroke Volume** – amount of blood ejected from the ventricle with each beat



To increase  
cardiac output

increase stroke  
volume

or

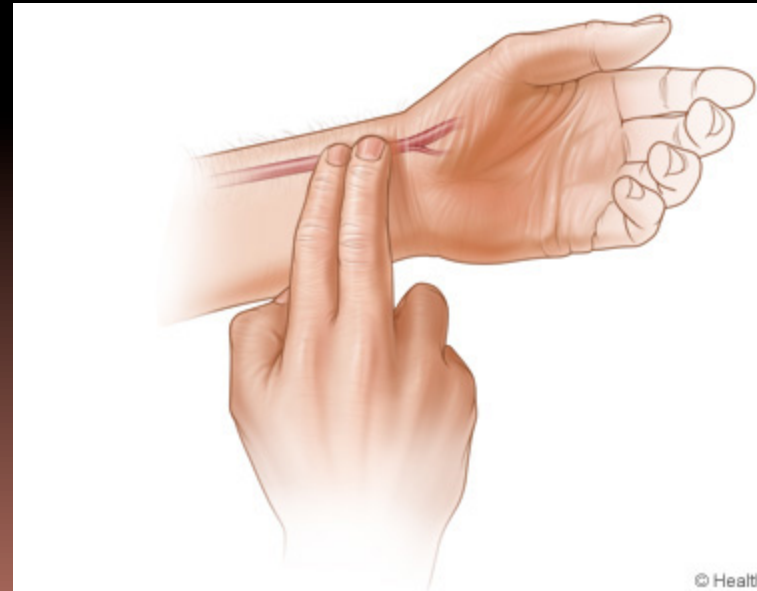
increase heart rate

or

increase both

# Physiology of the Heart

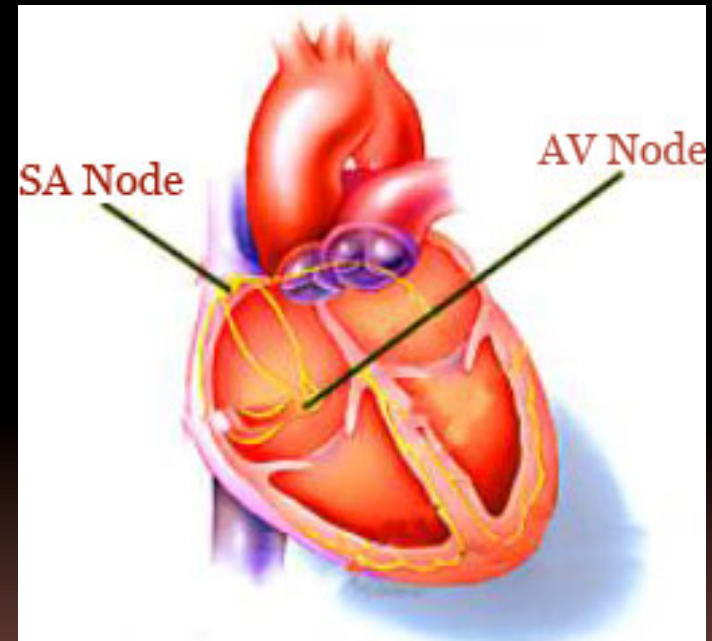
- **Heart Rate (pulse rate)** – number of times the heart beats in 1 min





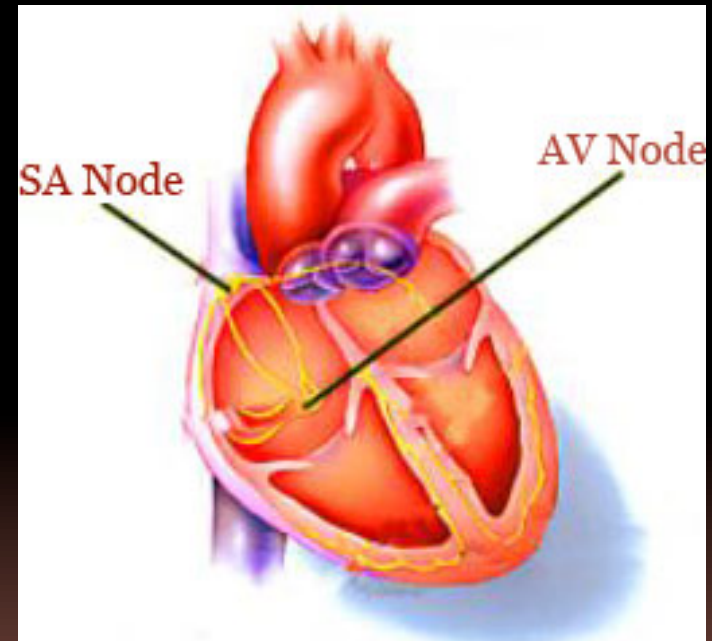
# Conduction System

- **Sinoatrial Node (SA Node)** – pacemaker, located in the upper wall of the right atrium, initiates the heartbeat.
- Impulse travels throughout the muscle of the atria, causing them to contract.



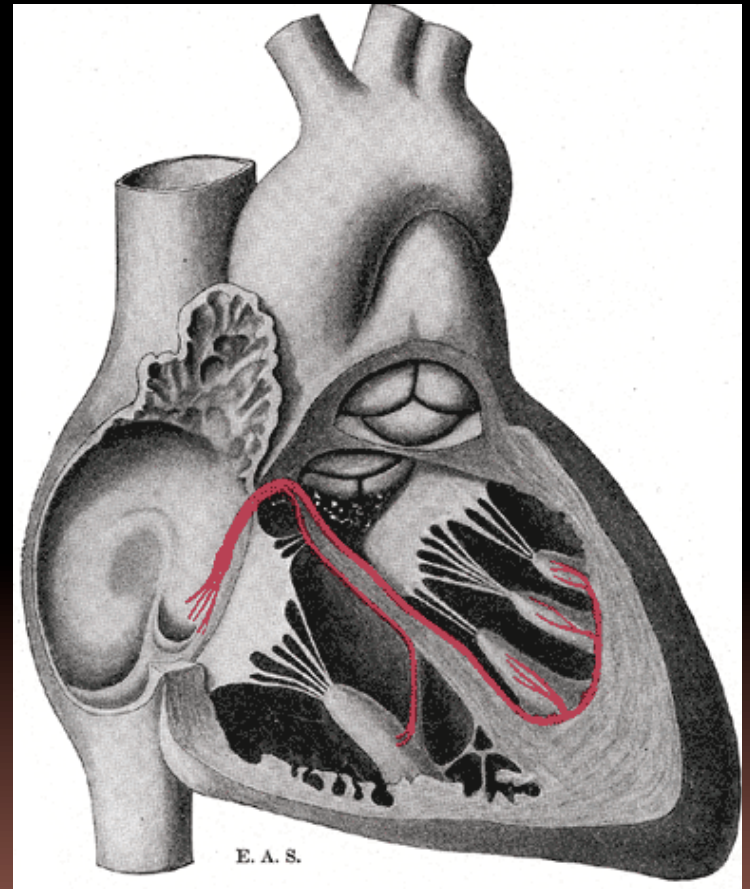
# Conduction System

- This stimulates the **atrioventricular node (AV Node)**, located in the septum at the bottom of the right atrium.



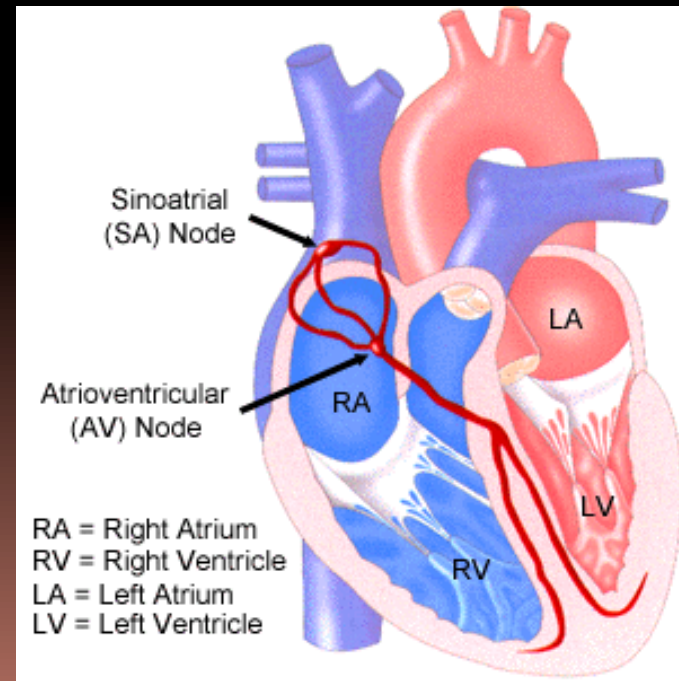
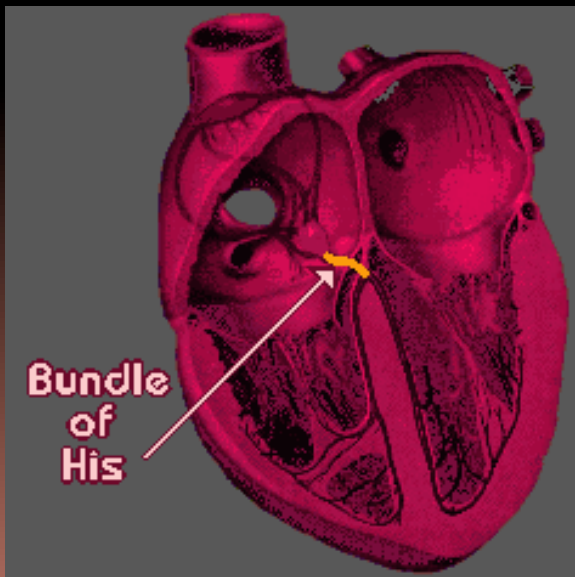
# Conduction System

- Impulse travels through the atrioventricular bundle (**bundle of His**) located in the septum between the ventricles,



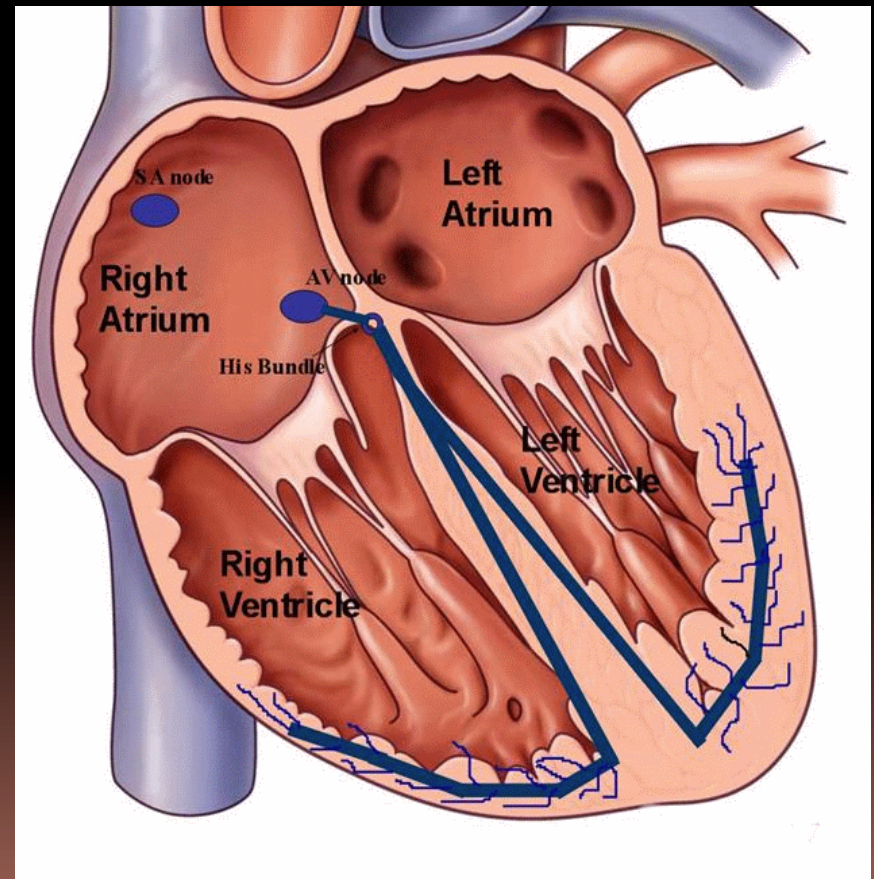
# Conduction System

- Impulse travels from the **bundle of His** (Atrioventricular bundle) throughout the ventricular walls by way of the right & left bundle branches and the **purkinje fibers**, causing the ventricles to contract



# Conduction System

- **Sinus Rhythm**
  - when the heartbeat is initiated by the SA Node





# Heart Rates

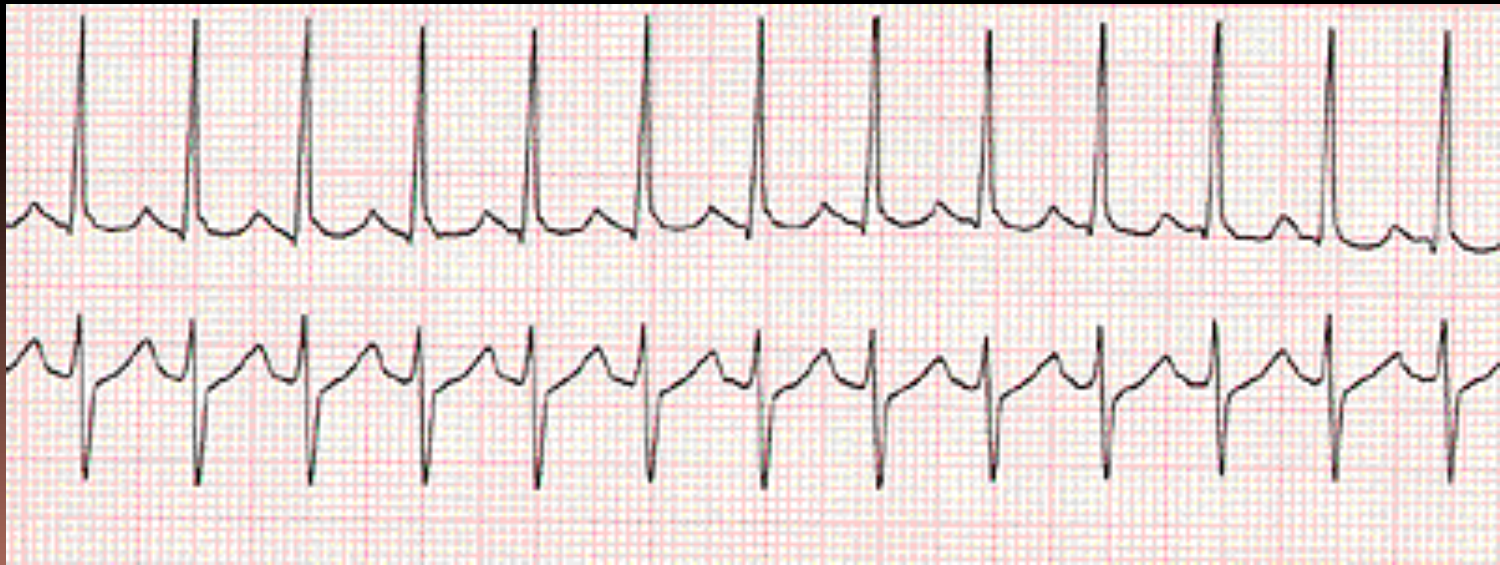
- **Bradycardia** – pulse rate below 60 beats/min





# Heart Rates

- **Tachycardia** –  
pulse rate  
above 100  
beats/min



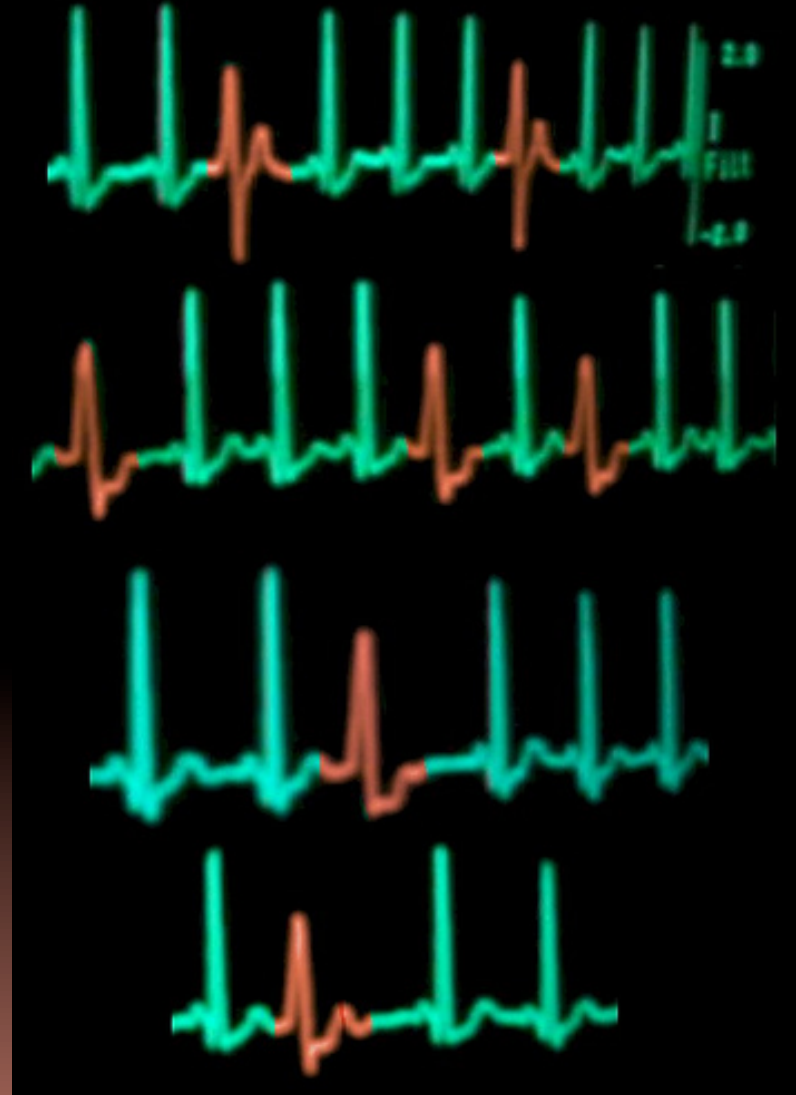
# Heart Rates

- **Sinus Arrhythmia** – regular variation in heart rate due to changes in the rate and depth of breathing, Normal.



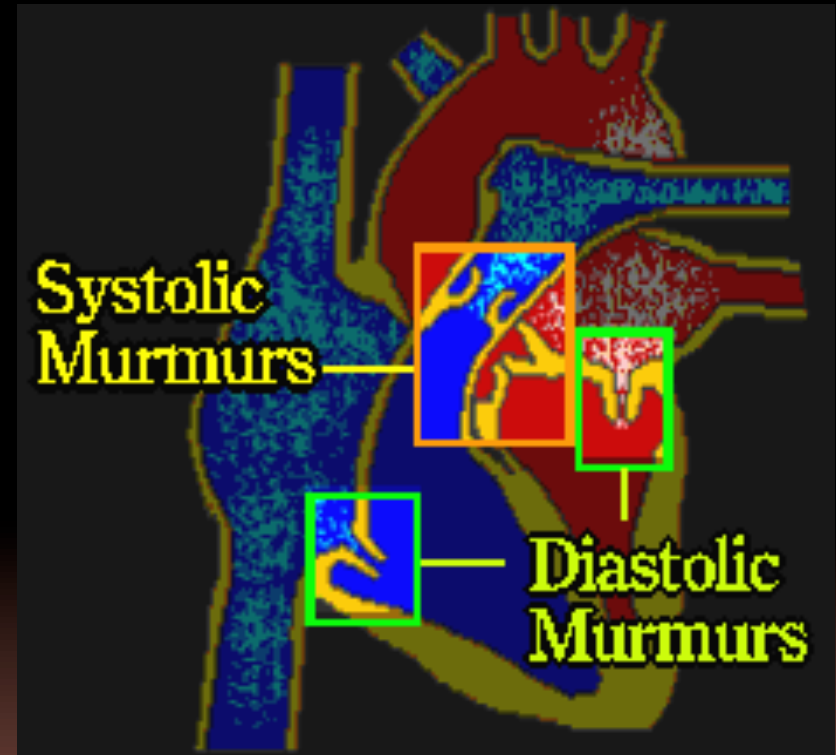
# Heart Rates

- **Premature Beats (extrasystoles)**  
– beats that come before the expected normal beats.



# Murmurs

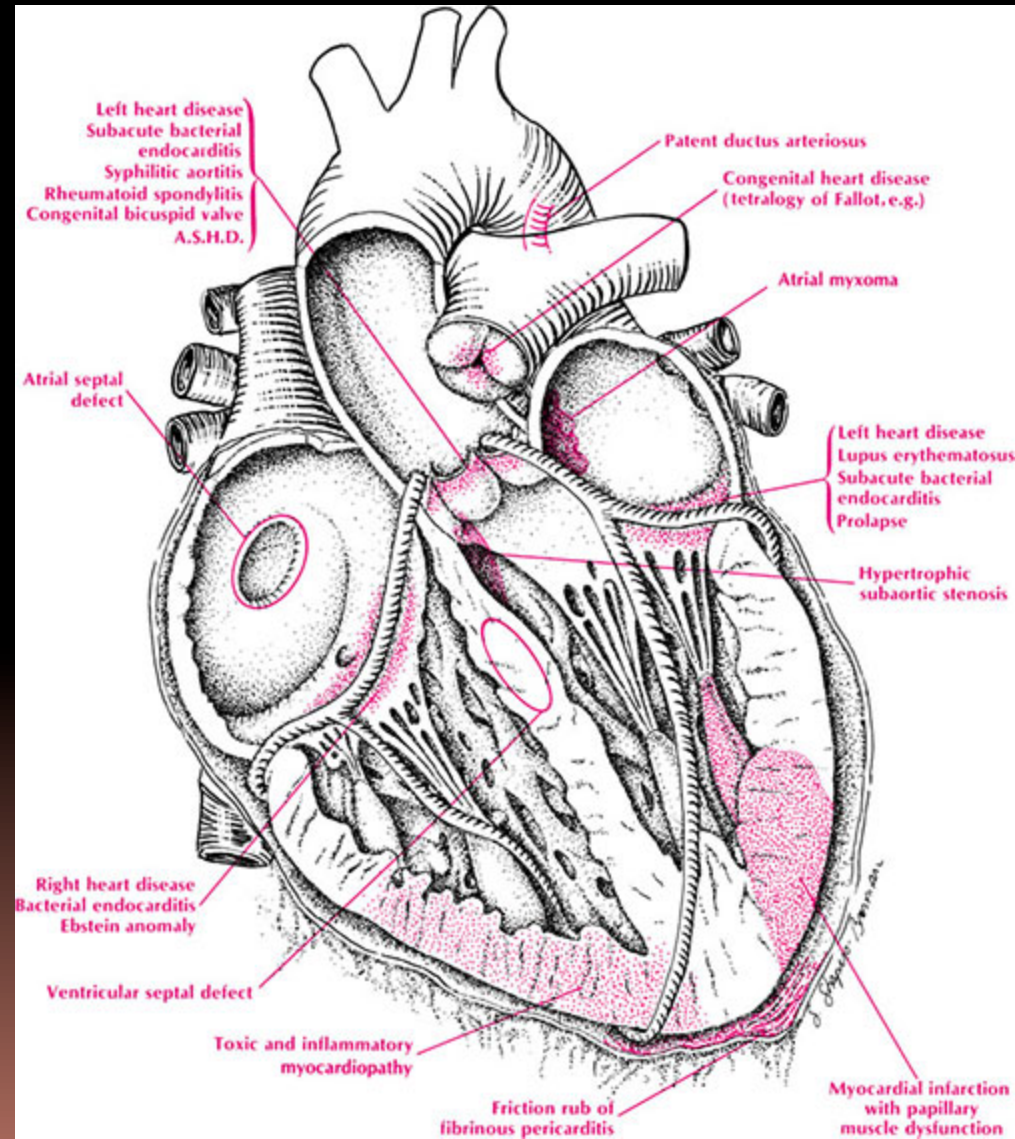
- **Murmurs** – abnormal heart sound due to valves not functioning properly





# Murmurs

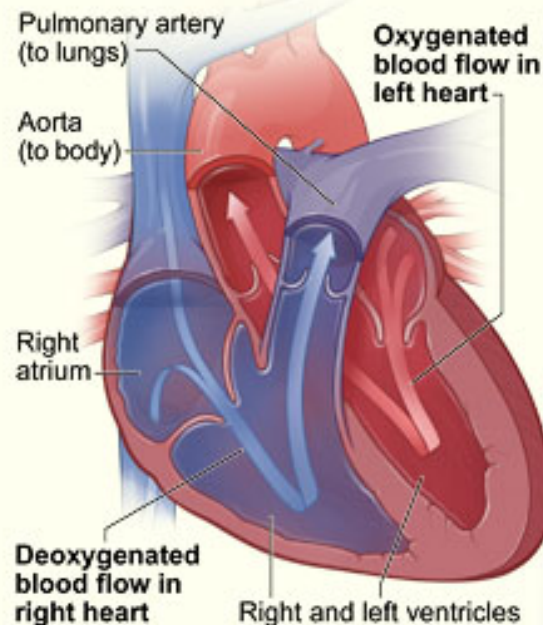
- **Functional** – not abnormal structure, ventricles fill too rapidly



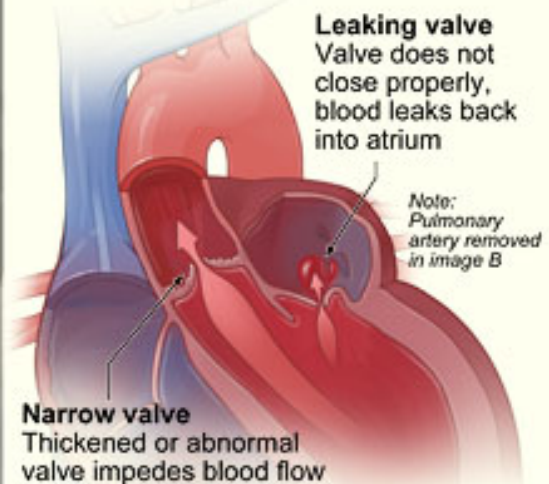
# Murmurs

- **Organic** – caused by structural changes in the heart

**A** Normal heart

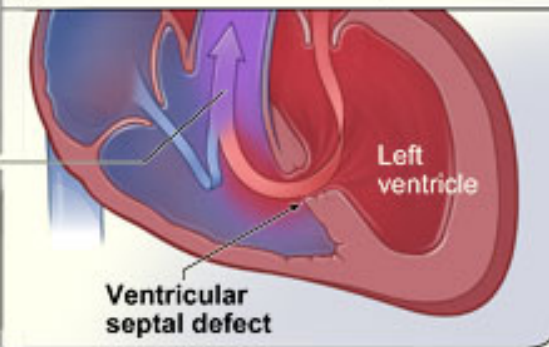


**B** Heart with valve defects



**C** Heart with ventricular septal defect

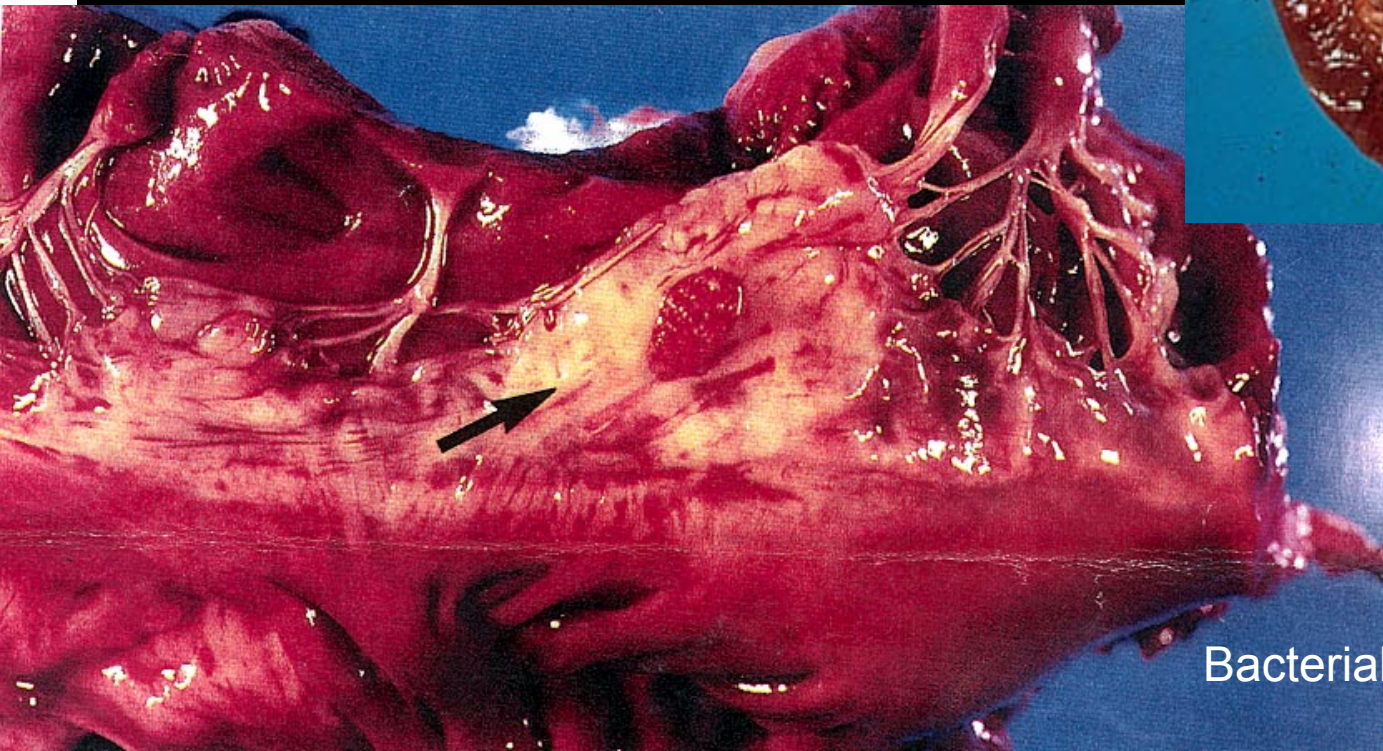
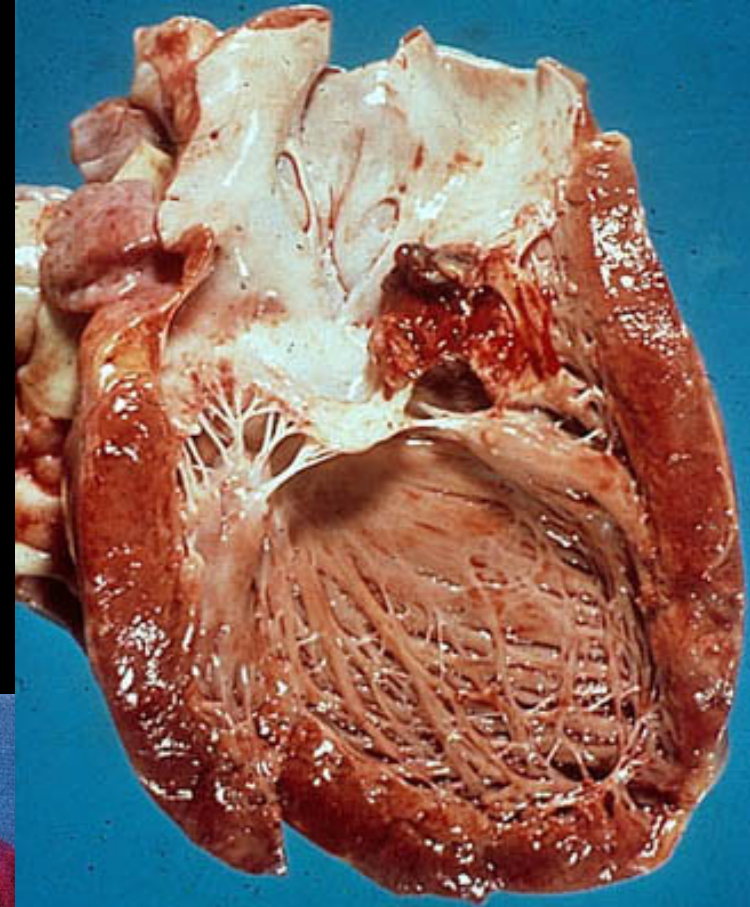
Mixing blood from left (oxygenated) and right (unoxxygenated) ventricles





# Heart Disease

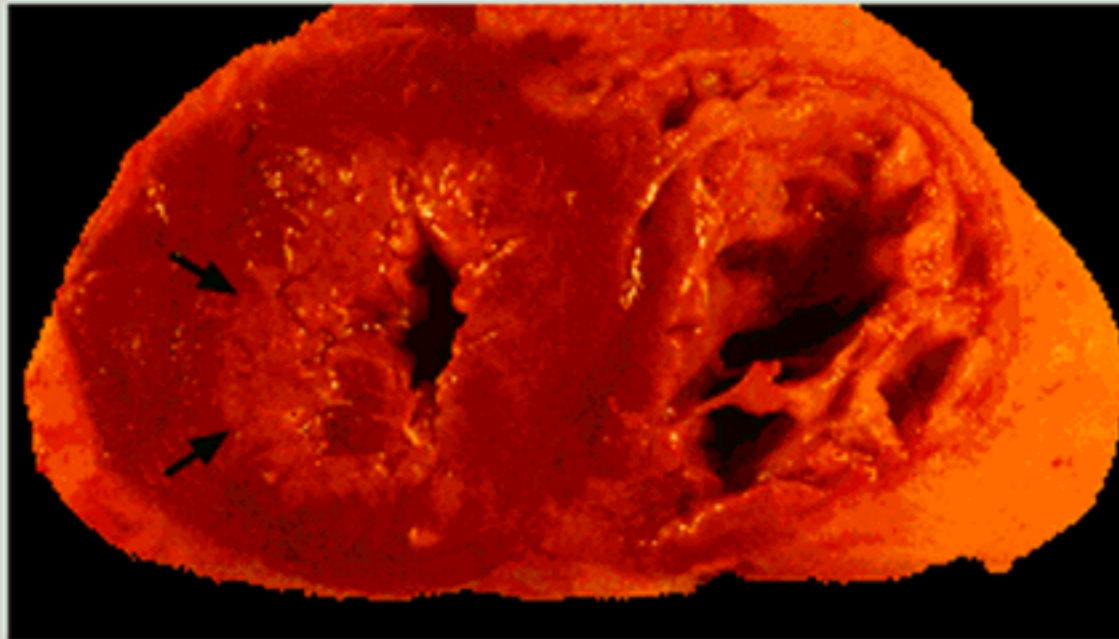
- **Endocarditis** – inflammation of the endocardium



Bacterial Endocarditis

# Heart Disease

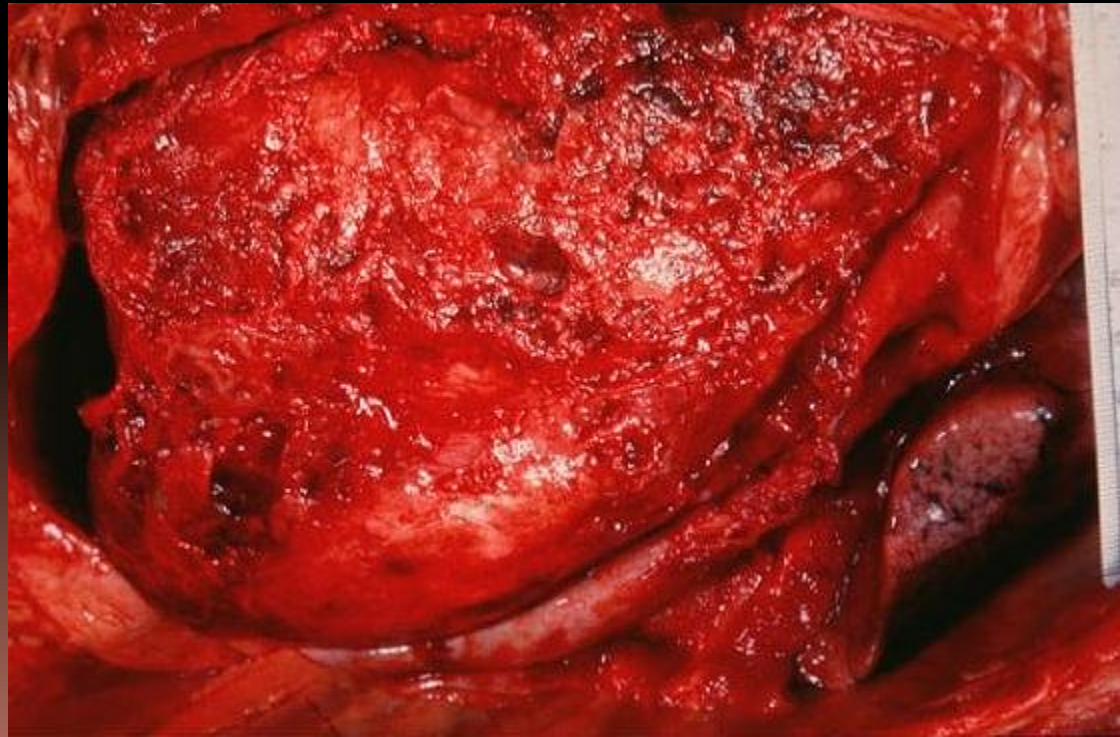
- **Myocarditis** – inflammation of the heart muscle





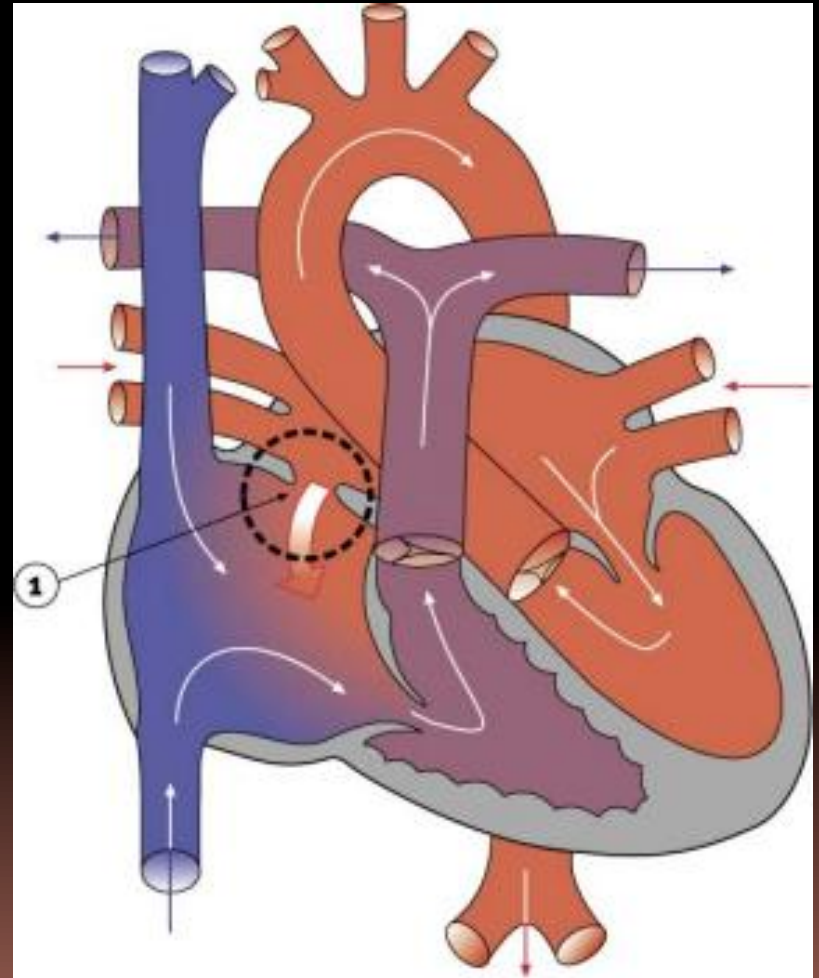
# Heart Disease

- **Pericarditis** – inflammation of the pericardium, the sac which surrounds the heart



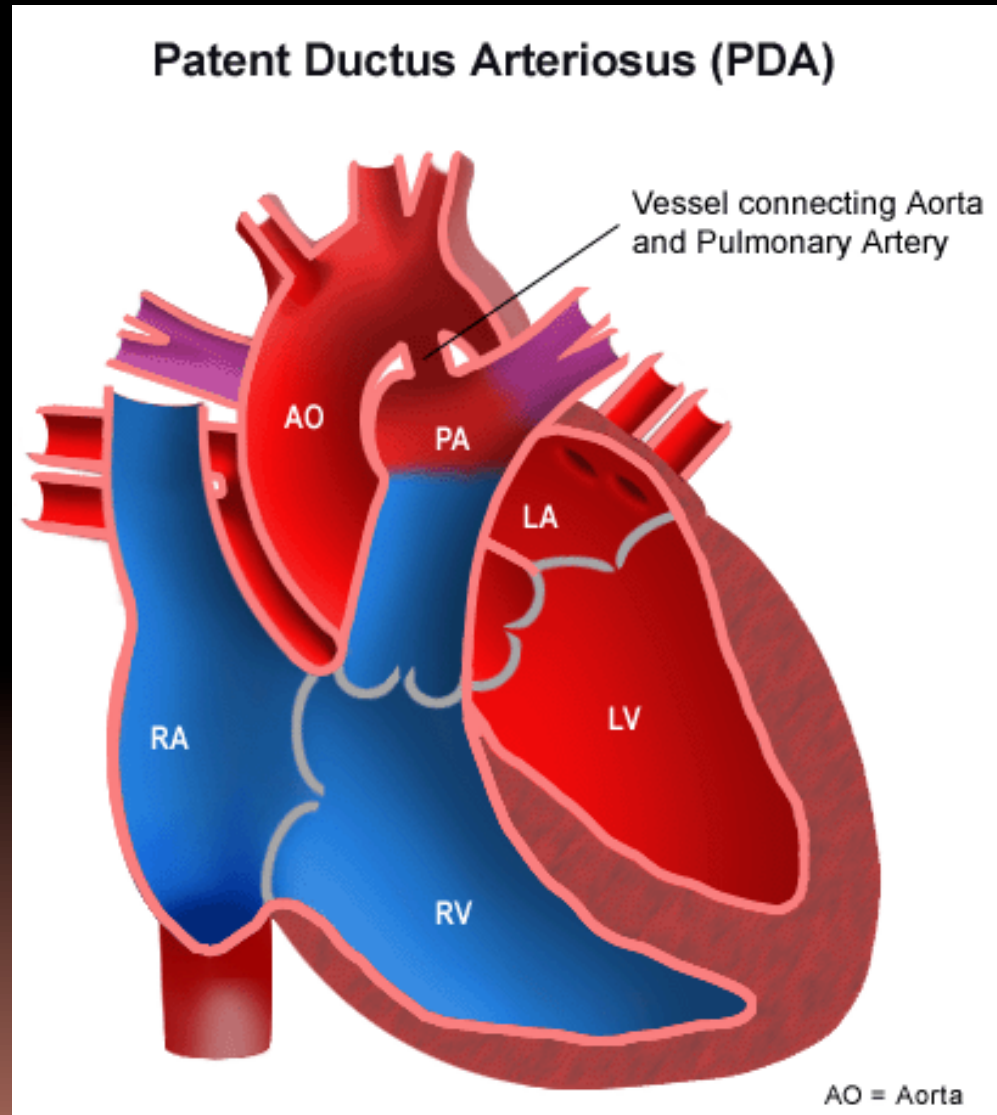
# Congenital Heart Disease

- **Patent Foramen Ovale** – hole present between the 2 atria fails to close at birth



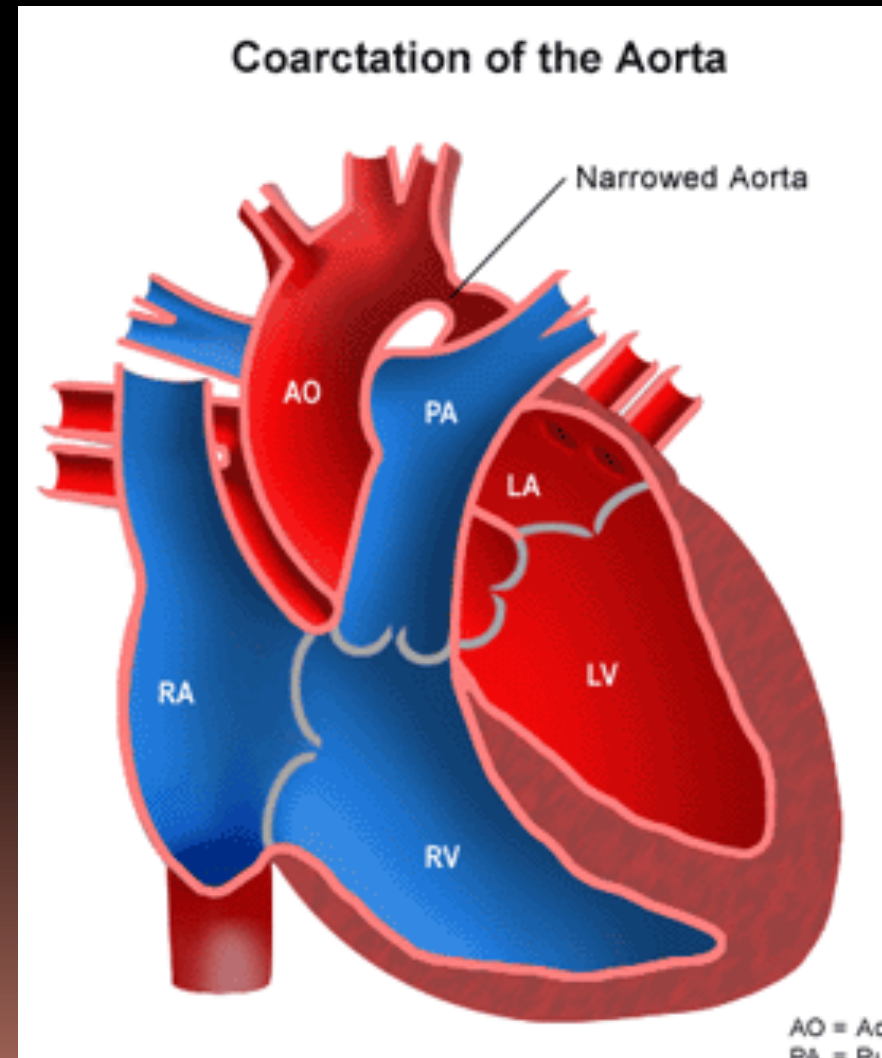
# Congenital Heart Disease

- **Patent Ductus Arteriosus** – duct between the pulmonary artery and the aorta fails to close at birth



# Congenital Heart Disease

- **Coarctation of the Aorta**  
– localized narrowing of the arch for the aorta





# Congenital Heart Disease

- **Tetralogy of Fallot** – combination of 4 defects that occur together, “blue baby”

## B Heart with tetralogy of Fallot

Children with Tetralogy of Fallot exhibit bluish skin during episodes of crying or feeding.



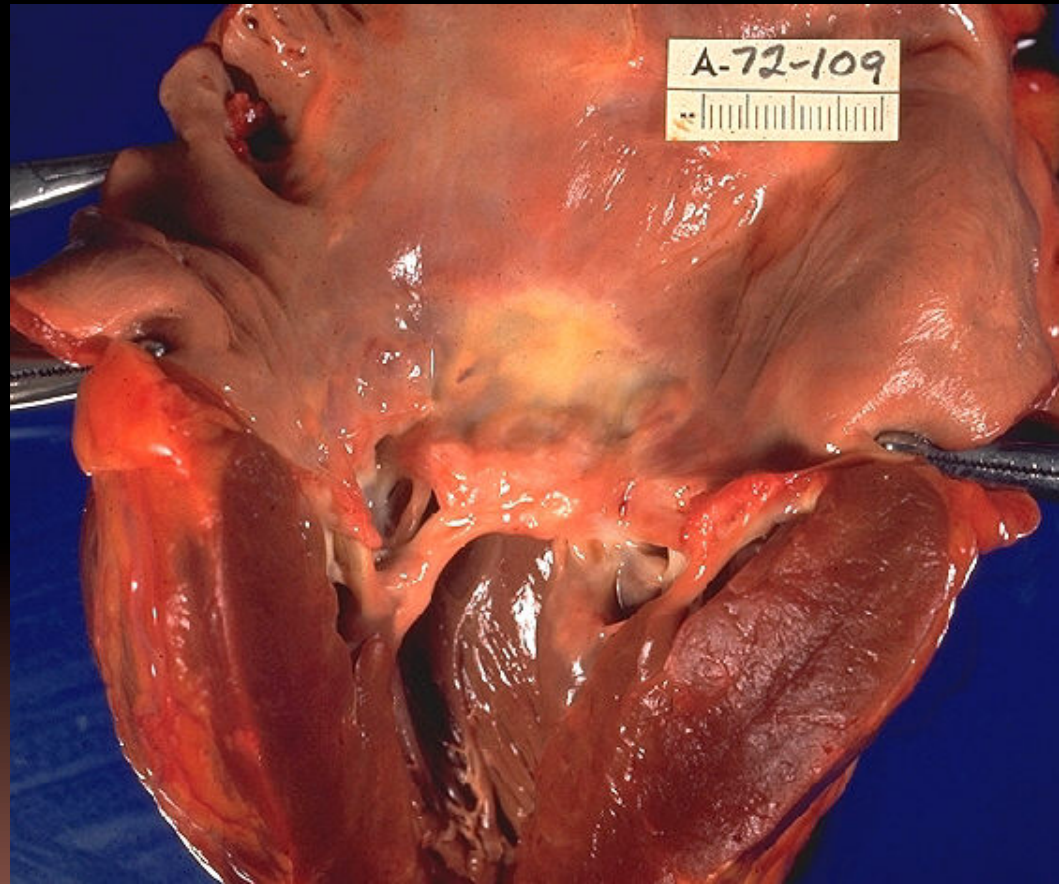
“Tet spell”

ADAM.

Thickened  
right ventricle  
(hypertrophy)

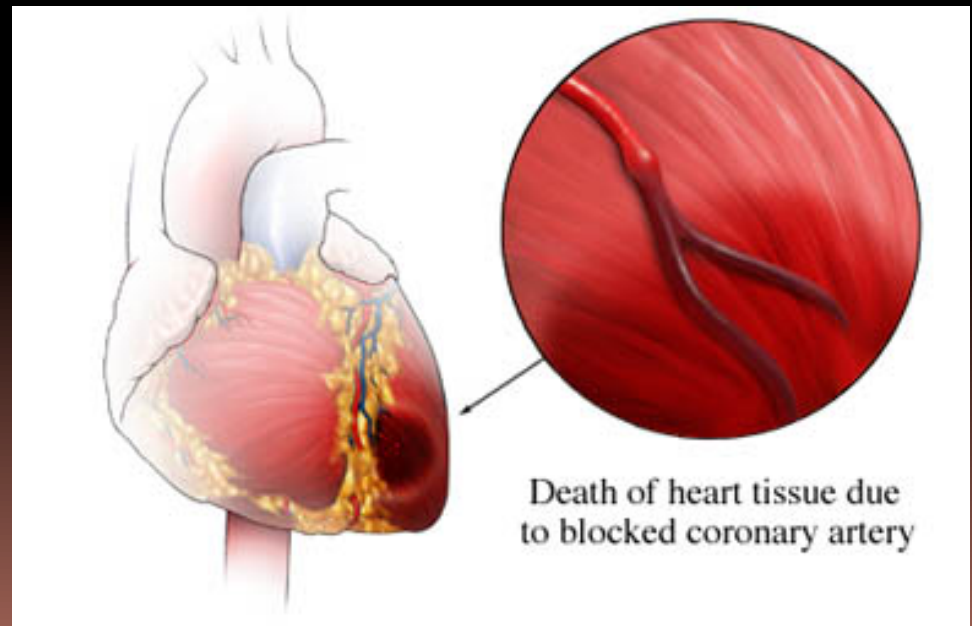
# Rheumatic Heart Disease

- Toxins produced by streptococci affect the valves of the heart so they do not open completely (mitral stenosis) or close completely (mitral regurgitation)



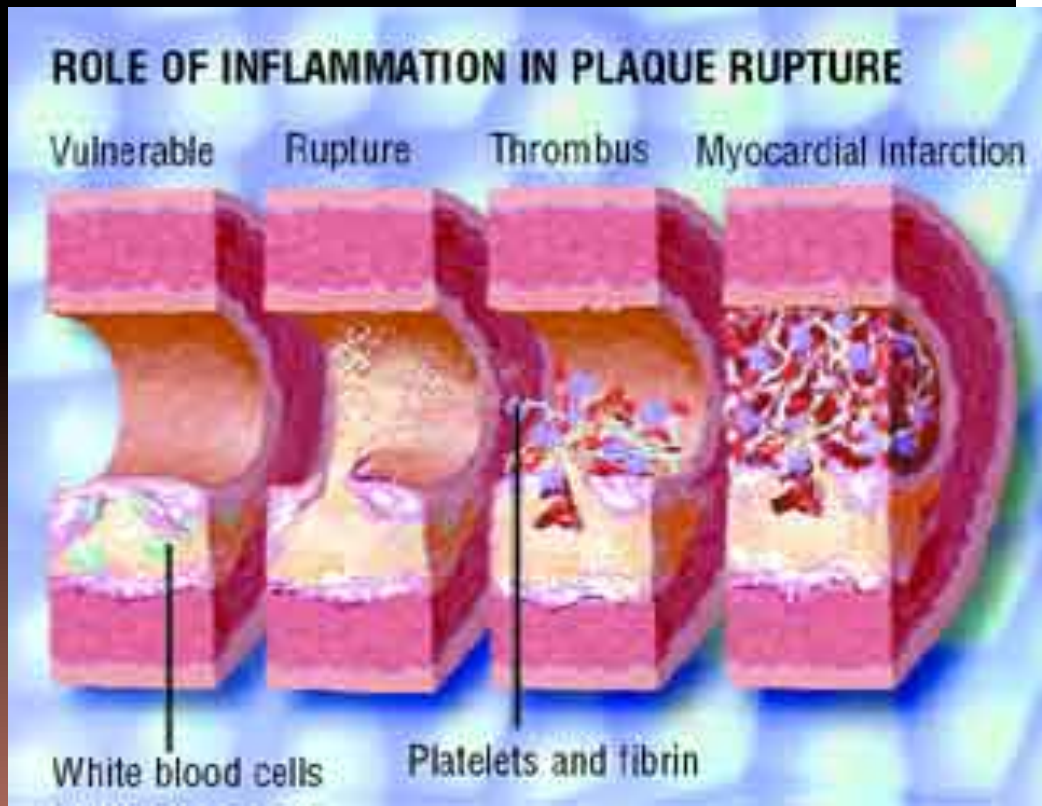
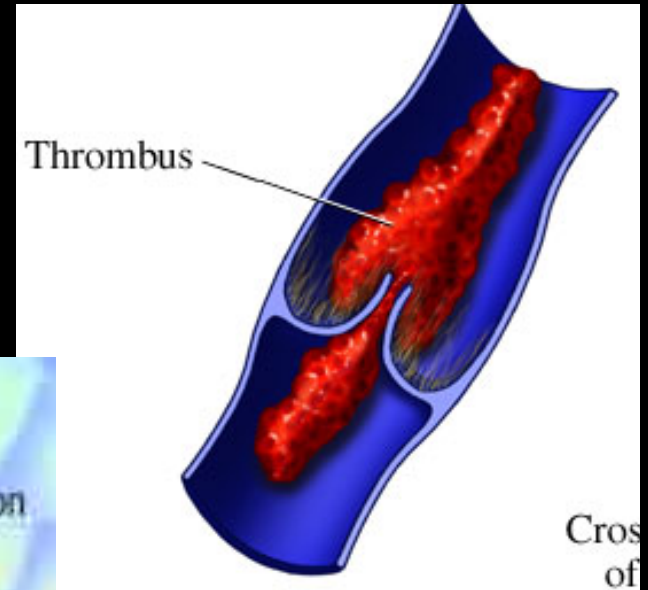
# Coronary Heart Disease

- Coronary occlusion - Coronary arteries become clogged; therefore, not as much blood goes to the heart muscle. If an artery is completely clogged, it leads to ischemia, a lack of blood supply to an area.



# Coronary Heart Disease

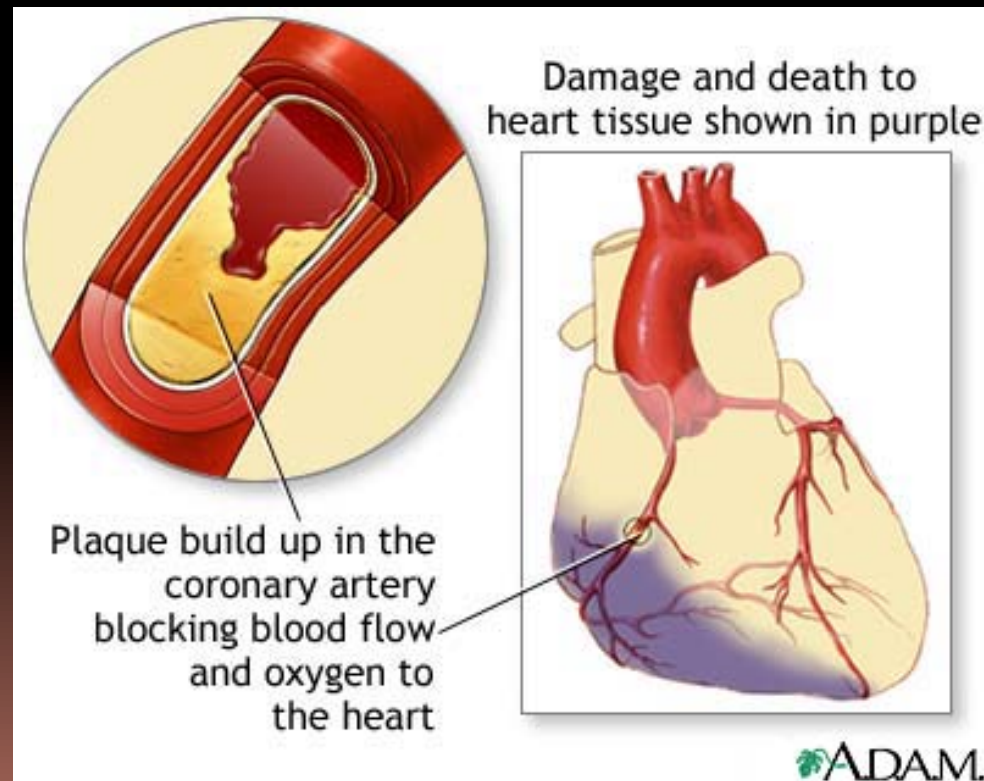
- **Thrombus** – blood clot, can clog coronary arteries





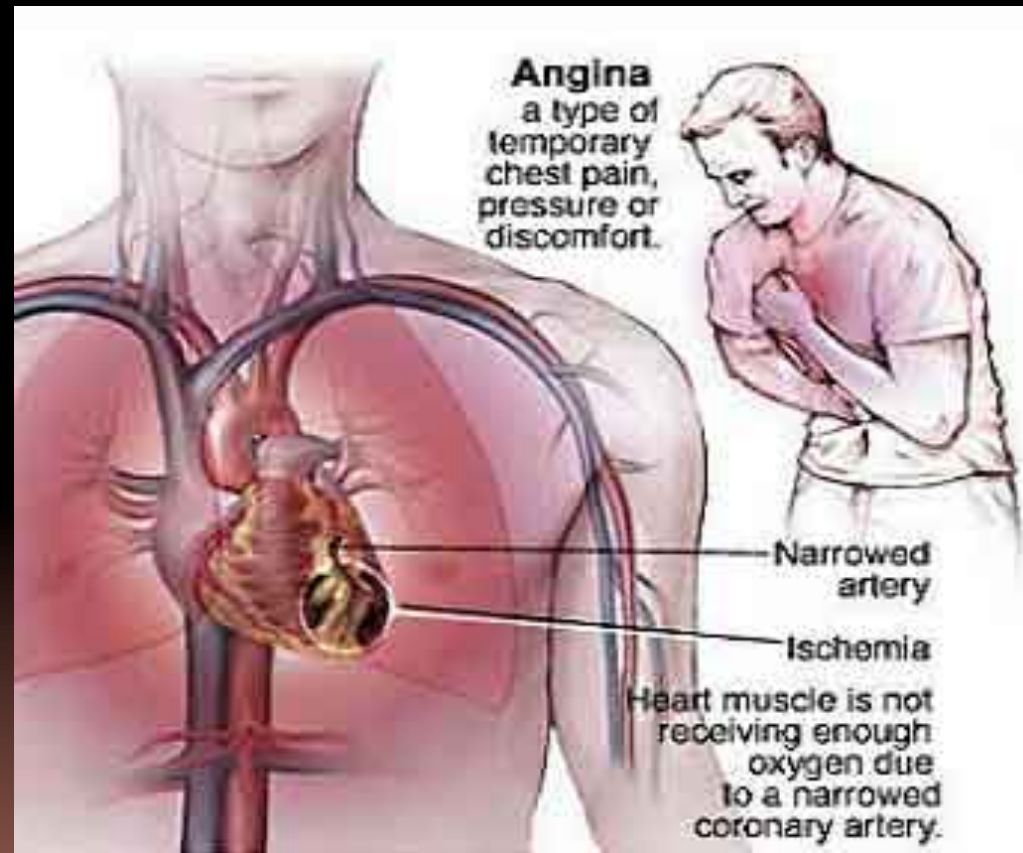
# Coronary Heart Disease

- Infarct – an area that has been cut off from its blood supply
- Myocardial Infarction – heart attack



# Coronary Heart Disease

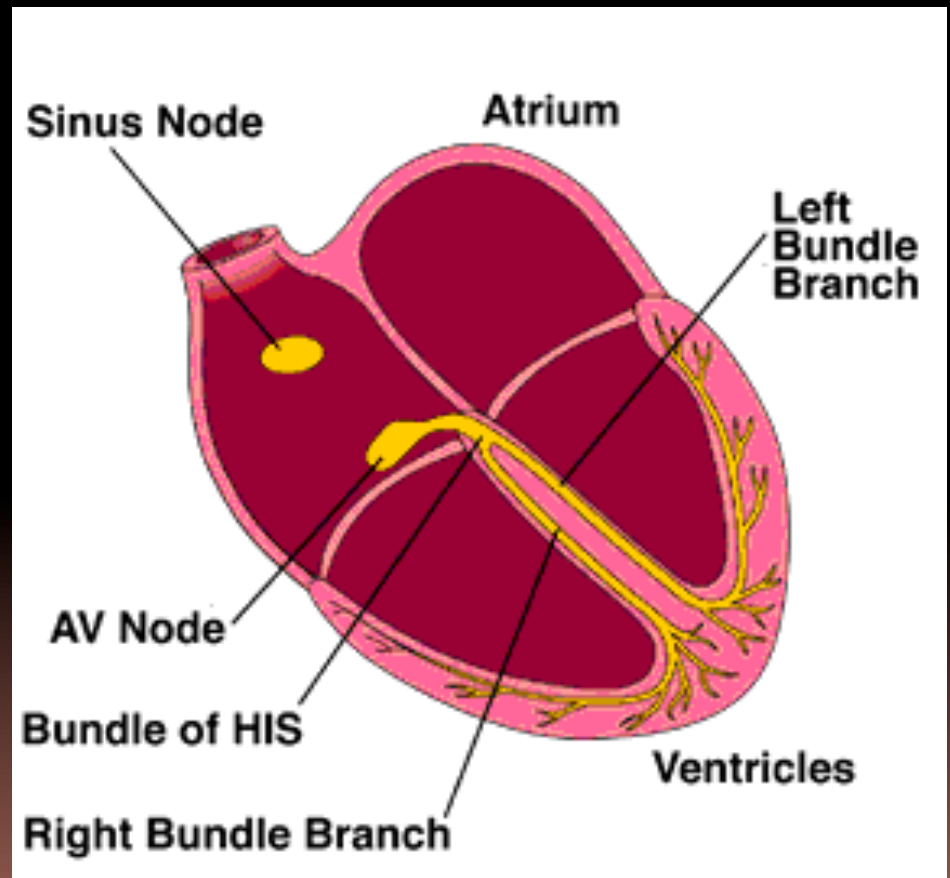
- **Angina Pectoris** – pain felt due to inadequate blood flow to the heart





# Rhythm Abnormalities

- **Arrhythmia** – abnormality in the rhythm of the heart



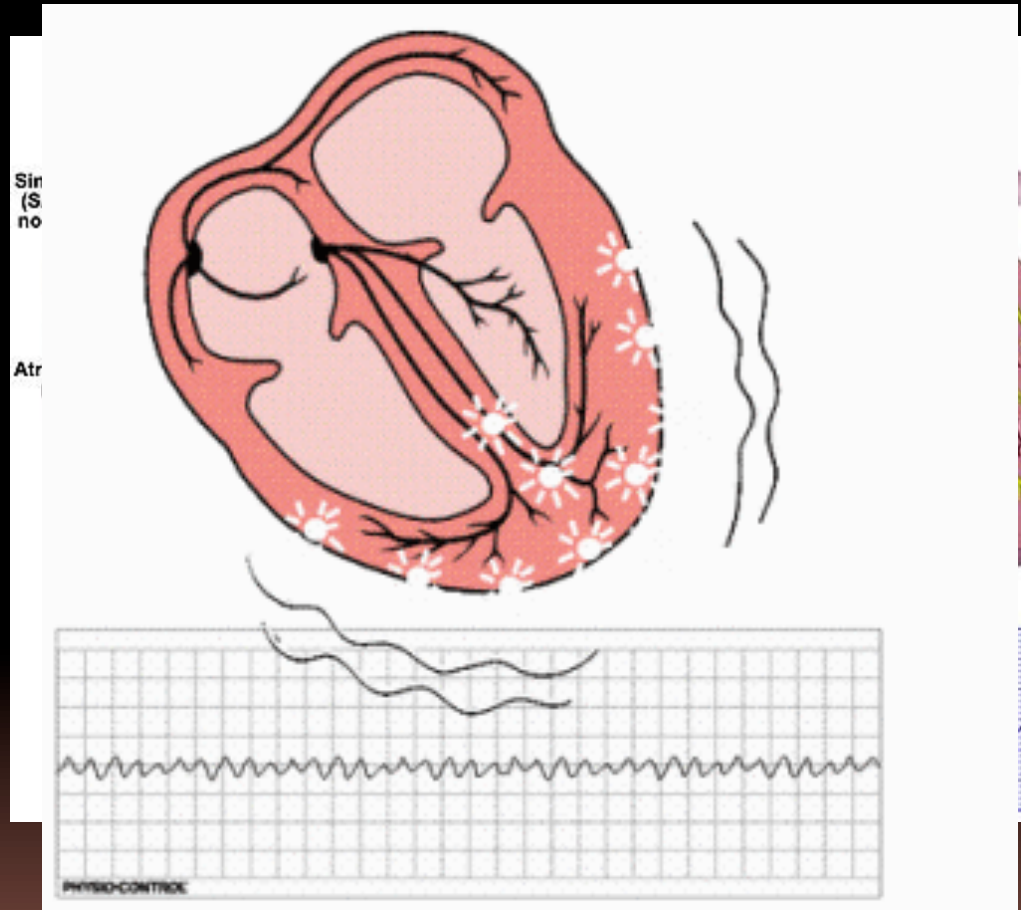
# Rhythm Abnormalities

- **Flutter** –  
rapid,  
coordinated  
contractions  
up to 300 per  
min



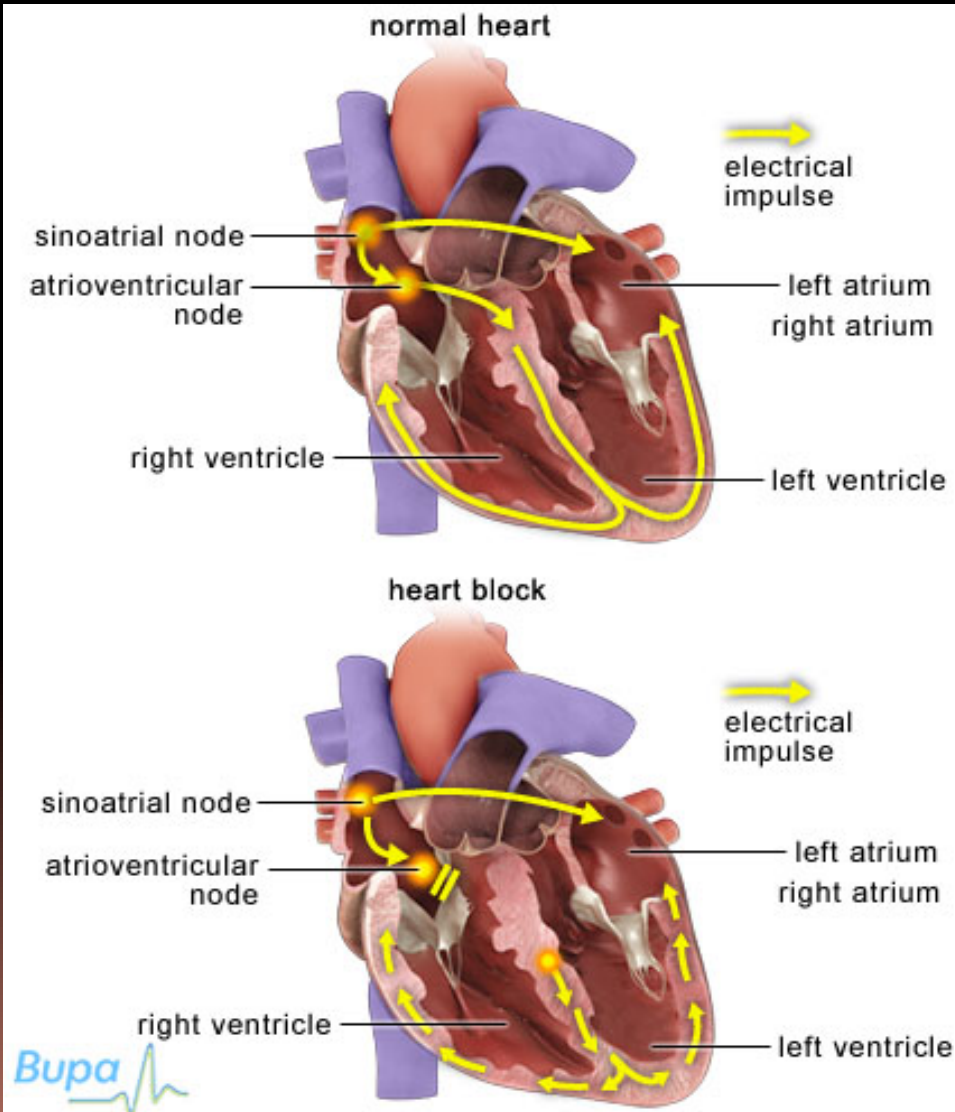
# Rhythm Abnormalities

- **Fibrillations**  
– extremely serious, rapid, irregular contractions



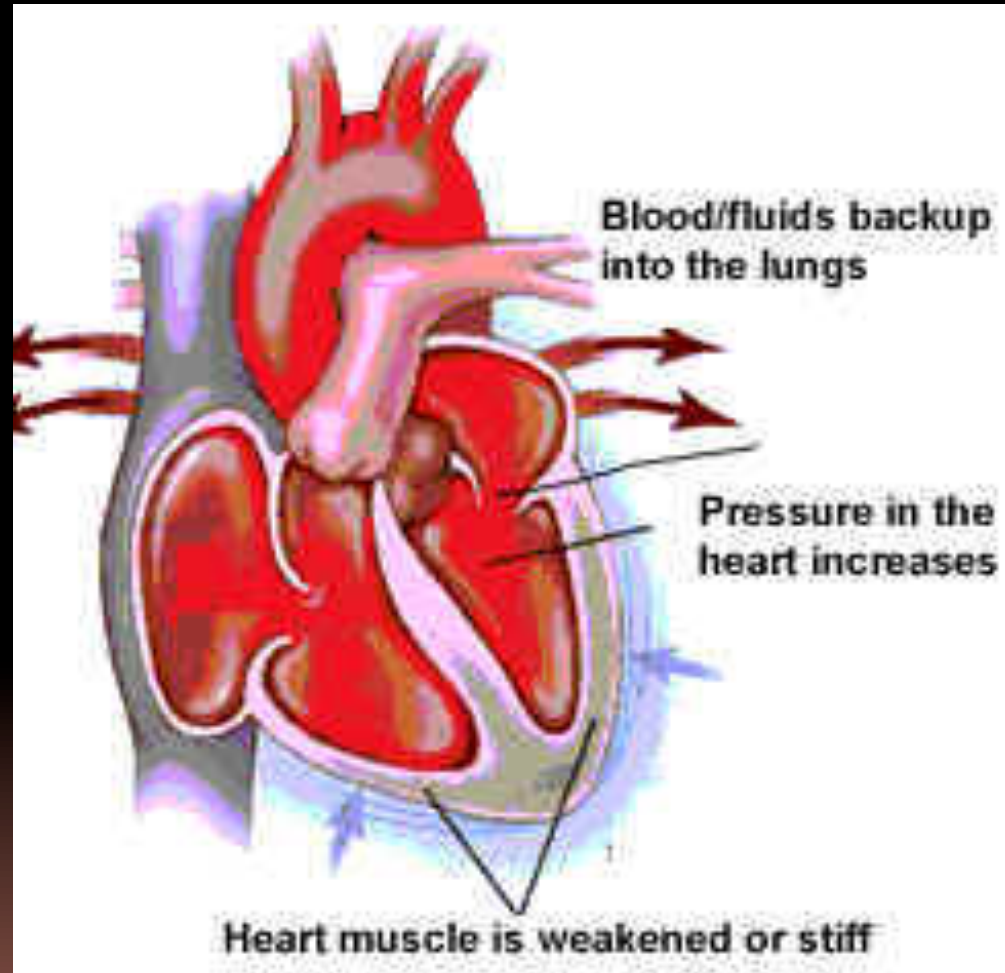
# Rhythm Abnormalities

- **Heart Block**  
– interruption of electrical conduction



# Congestive Heart Failure

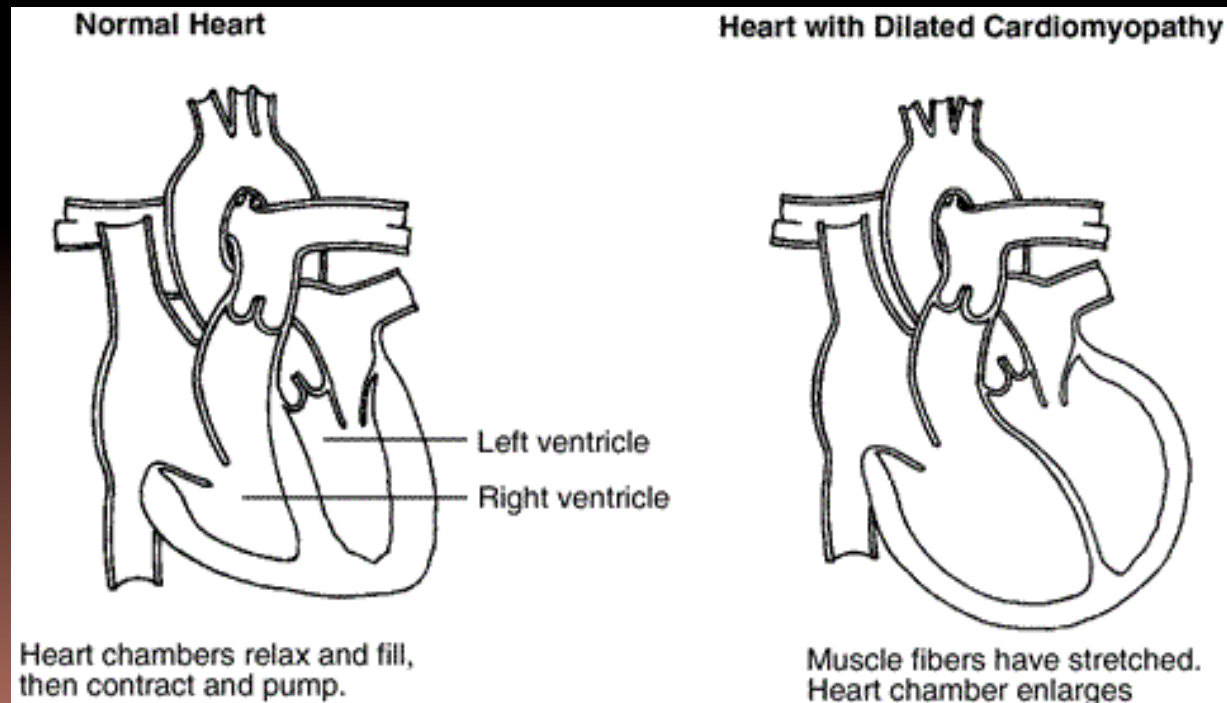
- Many times caused by hypertension
- Causes enlargement of heart





# Congestive Heart Failure

- Heart unable to pump effectively because it is weak
  - ▣ Kidneys save fluid
  - ▣ Short of breath
  - ▣ Edema



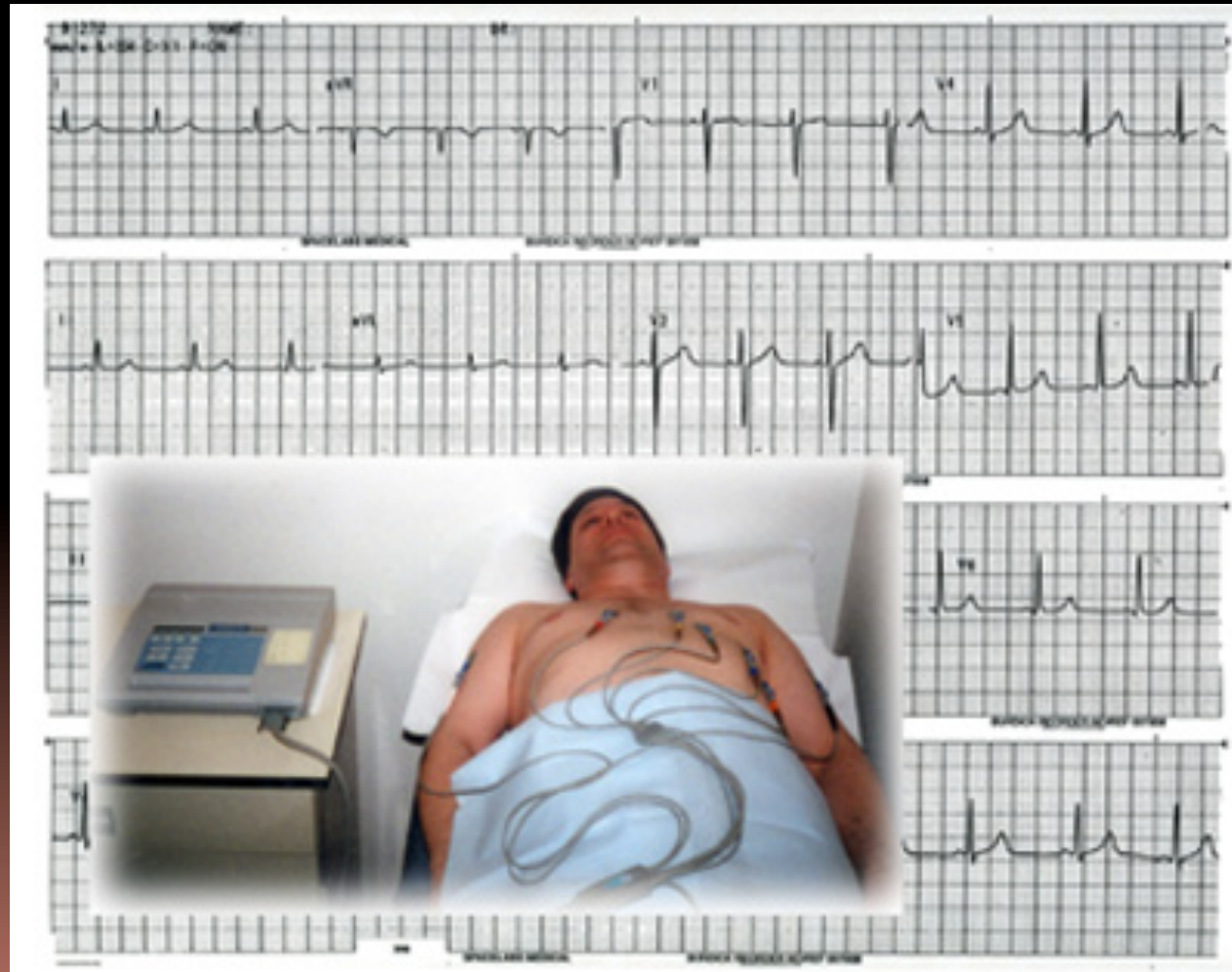
# Instruments Used for Heart Study

- Stethoscope



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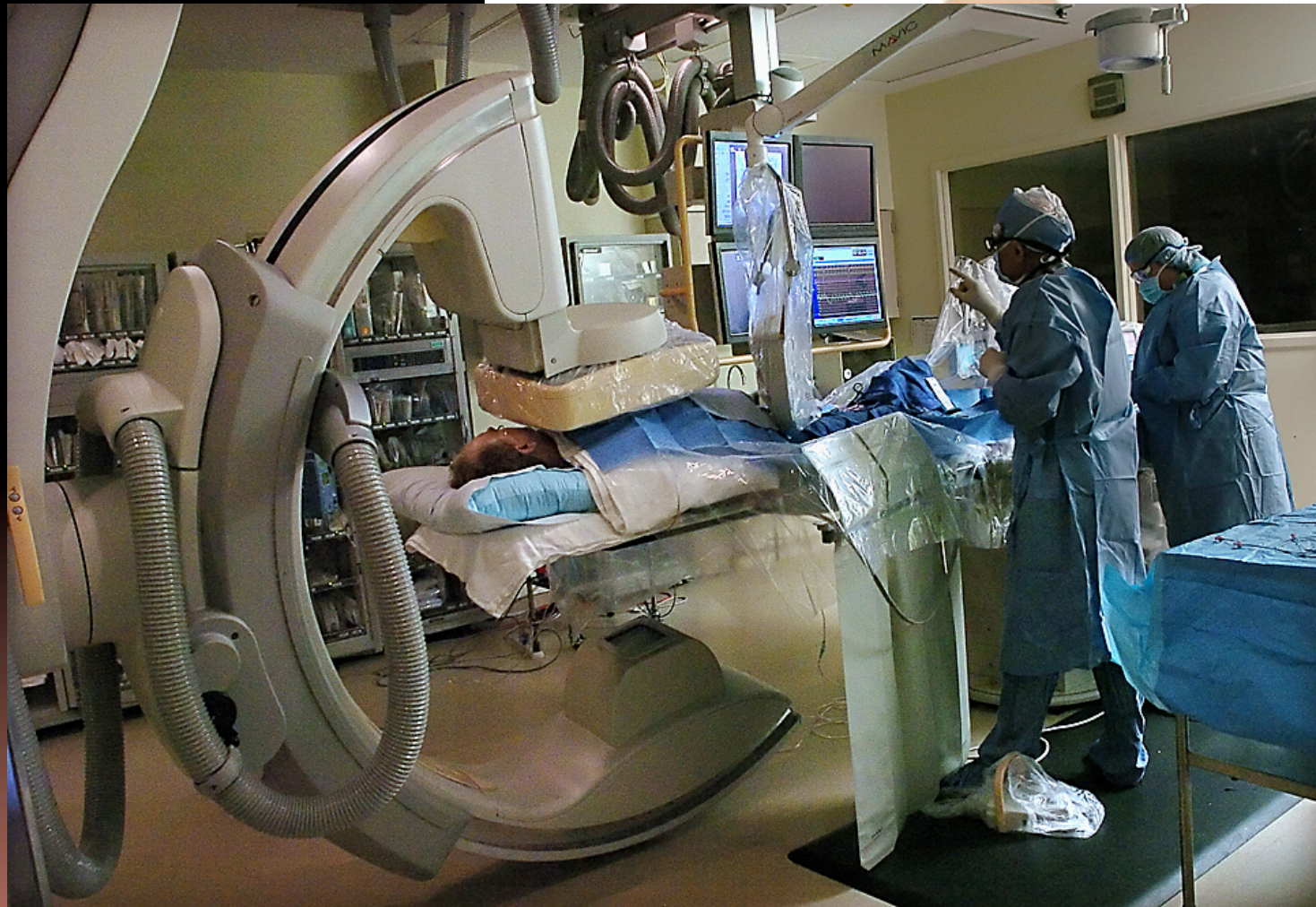
- EKG





# Instruments Used for Heart Study

- Heart Catheterization



# Instruments Used for Heart Study

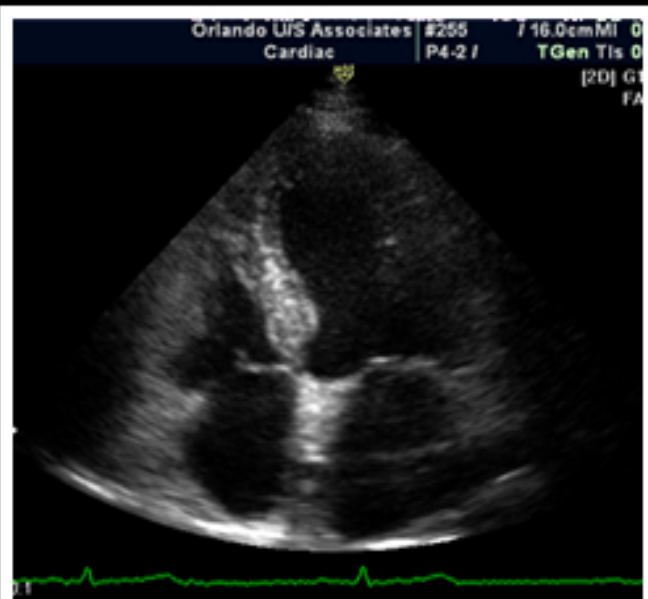
- Fluoroscope





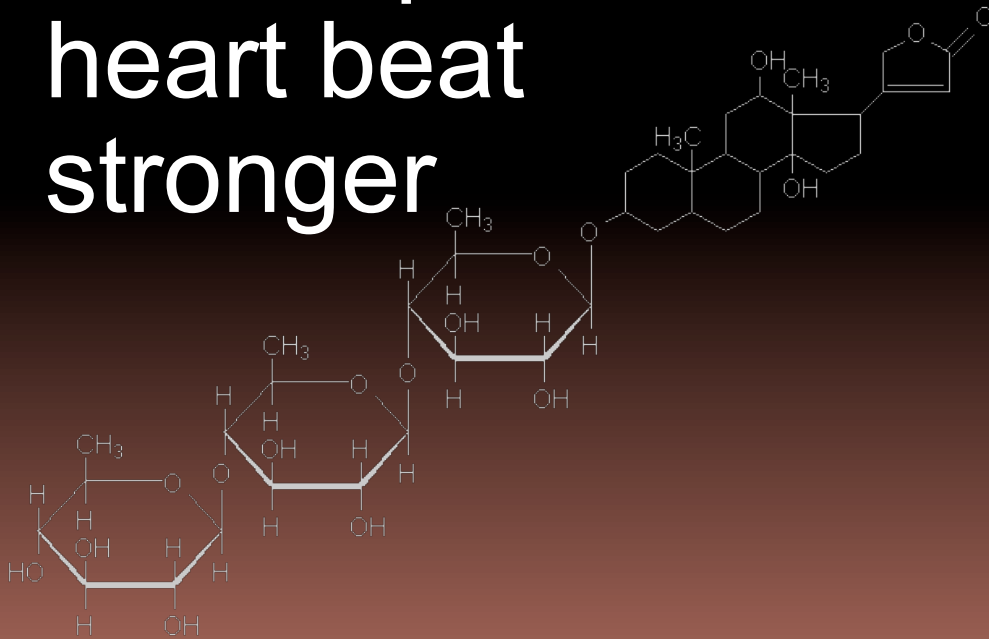
# Instruments Used for Heart Study

- Echocardiogram



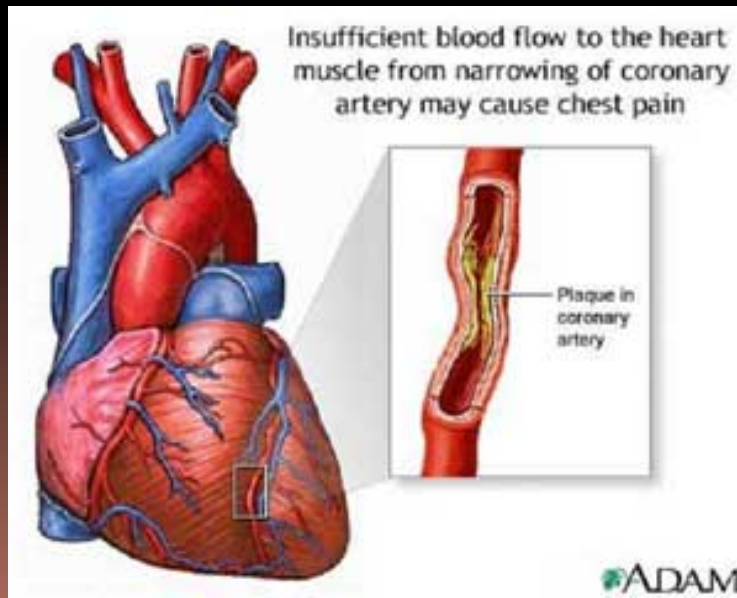
# Medications

- **Digitalis** – slows contractions and helps heart beat stronger



# Medications

- **Nitroglycerin**
  - dilates blood vessels to the heart



# Medications

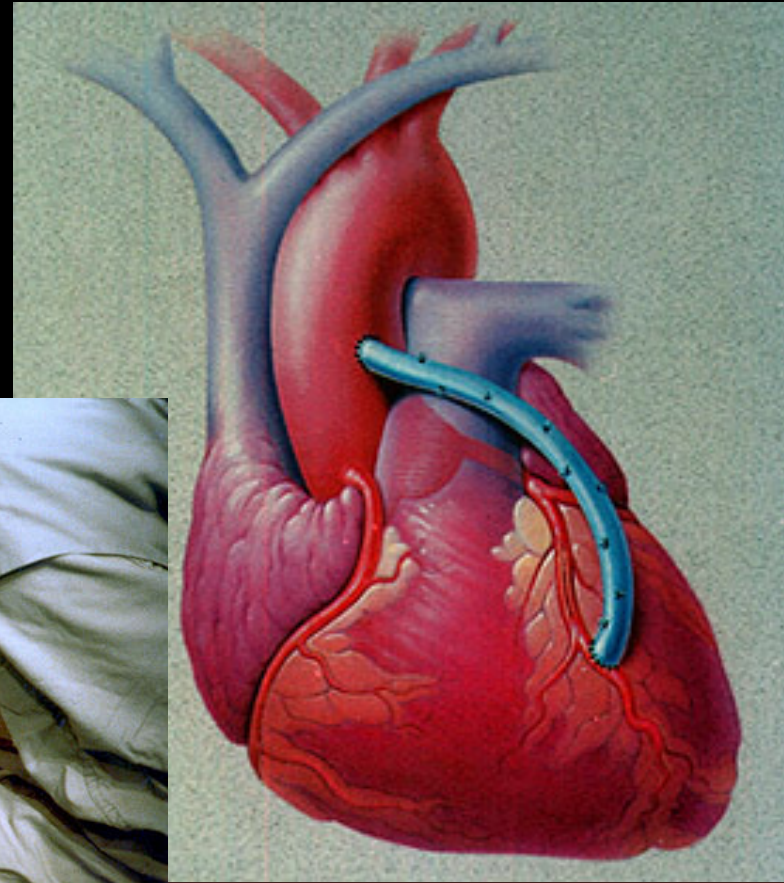
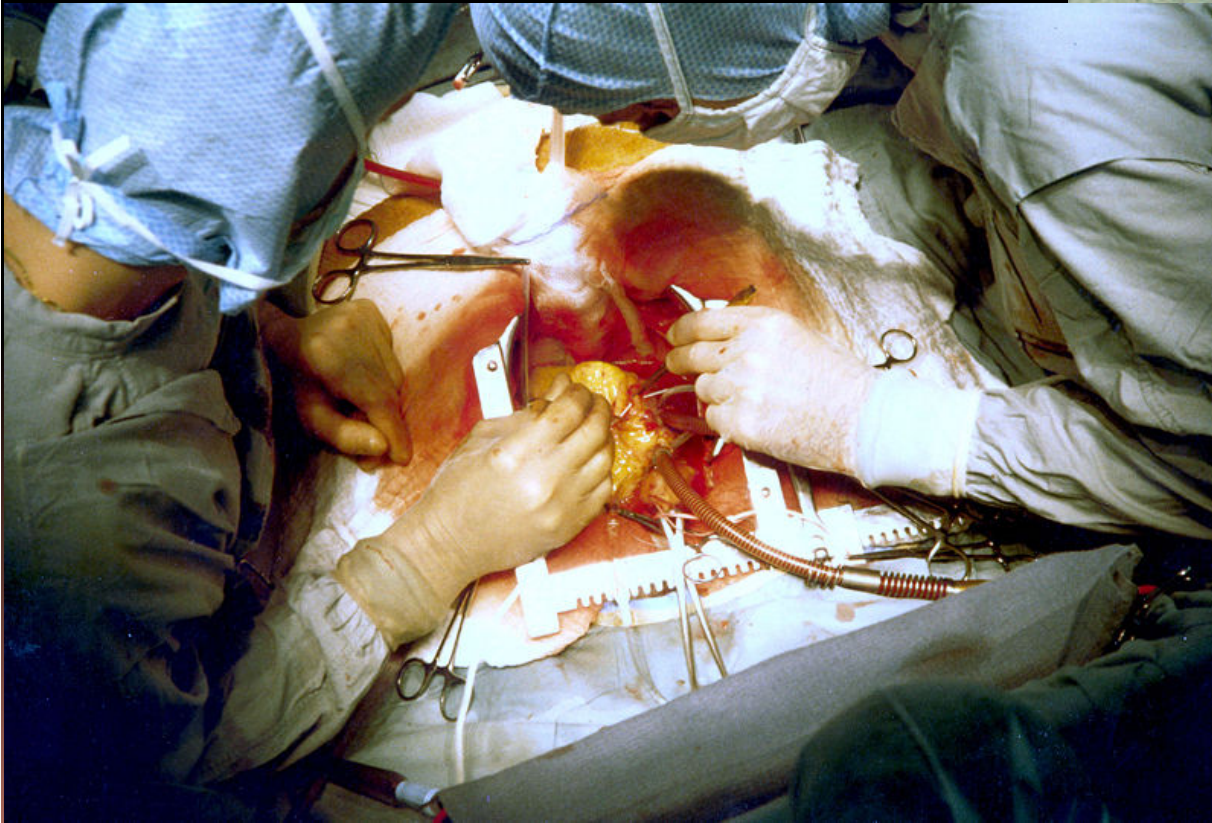
- Antiarrhythmics – regulate heart rhythm and rate
- Anticoagulants – prevent clotting
- Beta Blockers -decrease rate and strength of heart contractions reducing the hearts' oxygen demand





# Surgeries

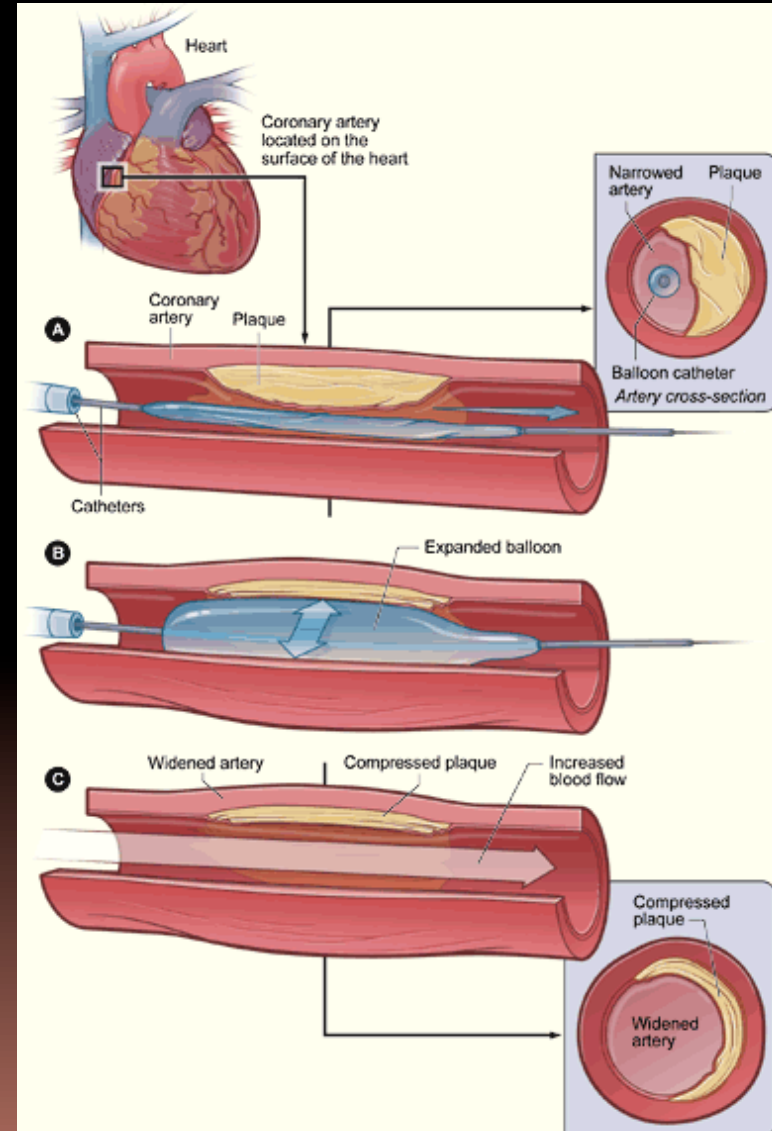
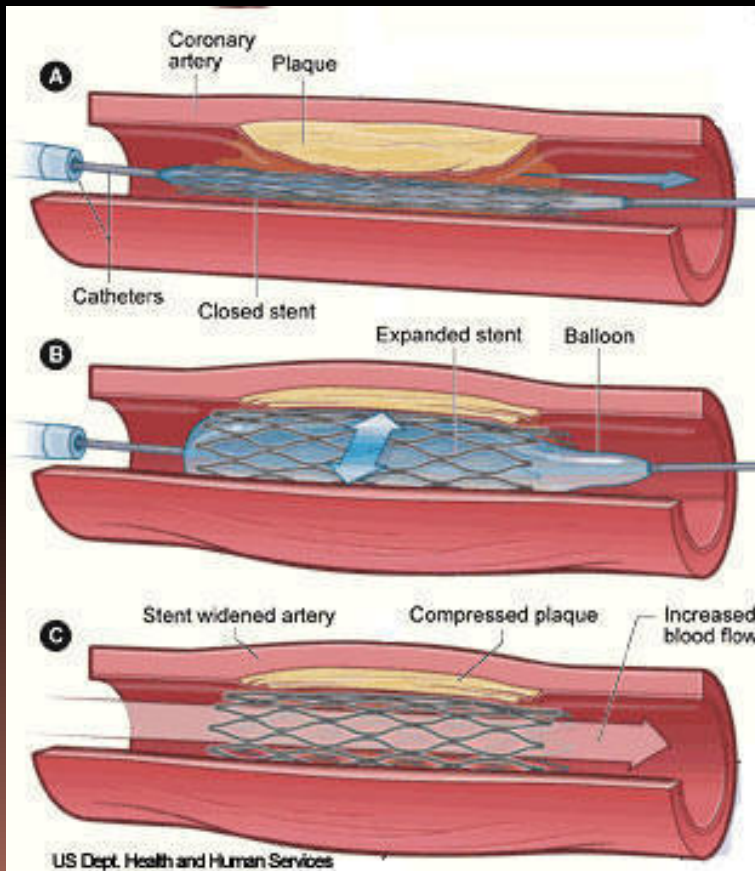
- Coronary Bypass





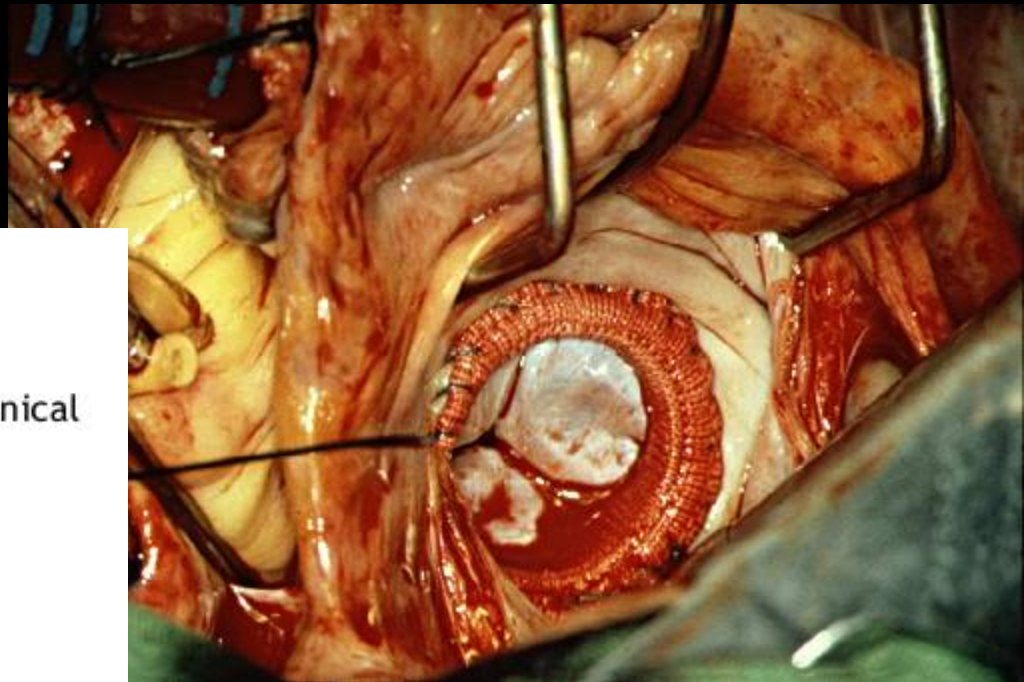
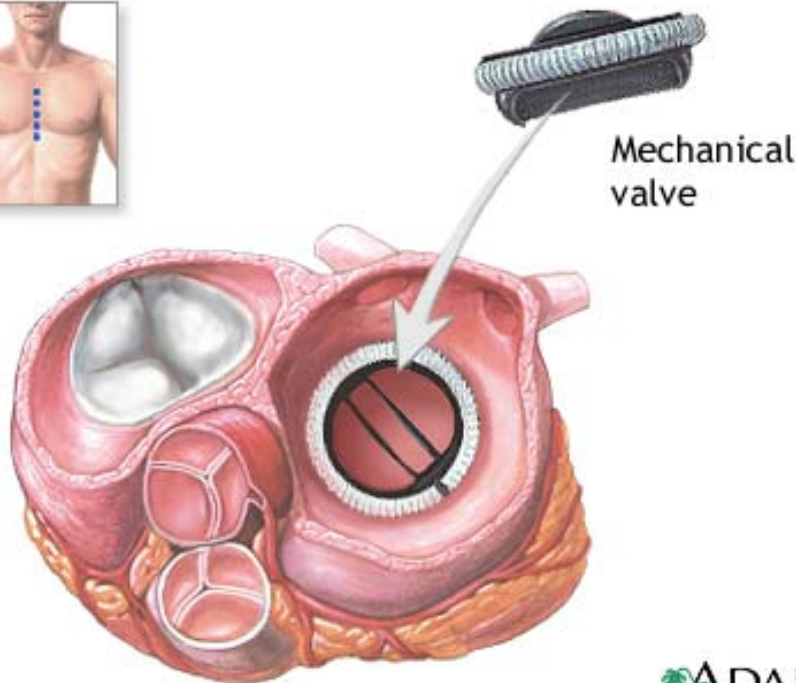
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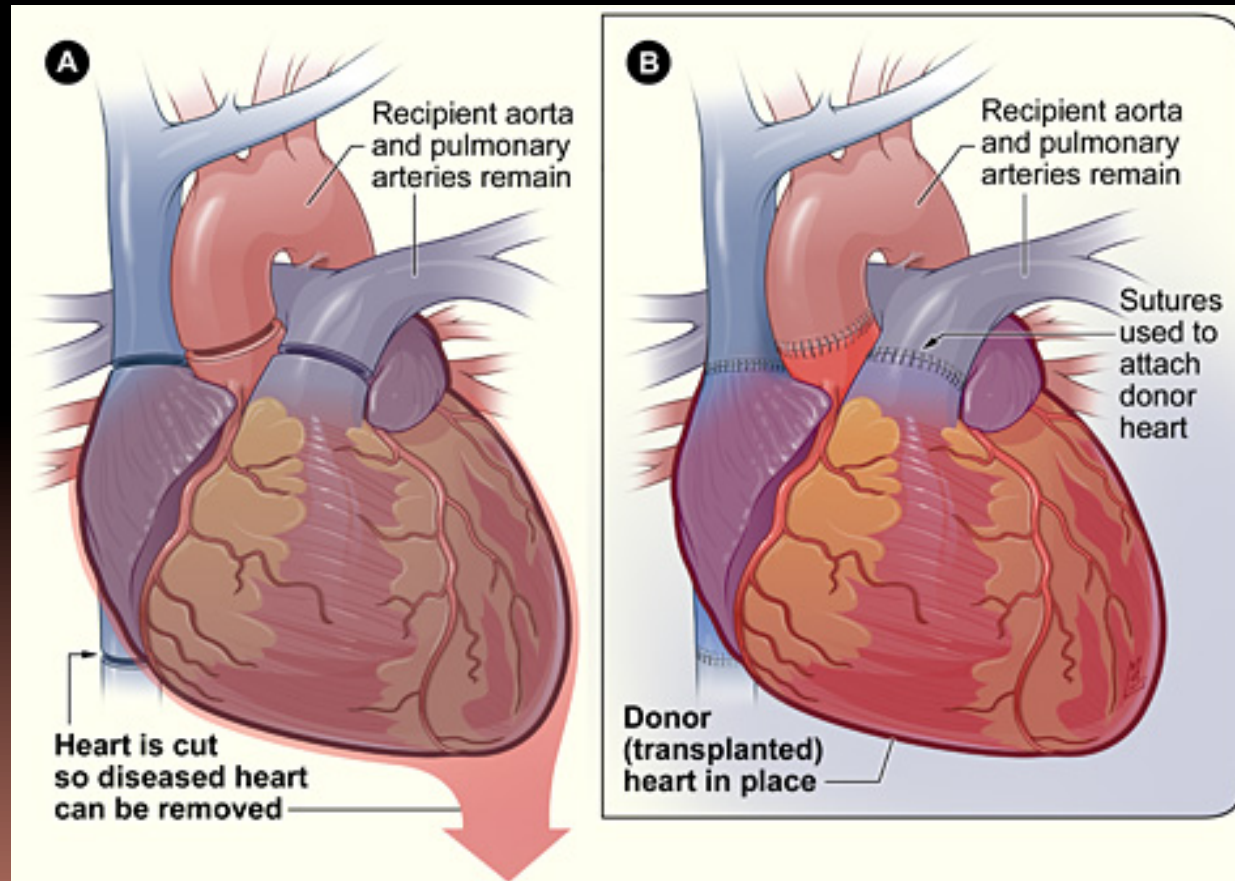
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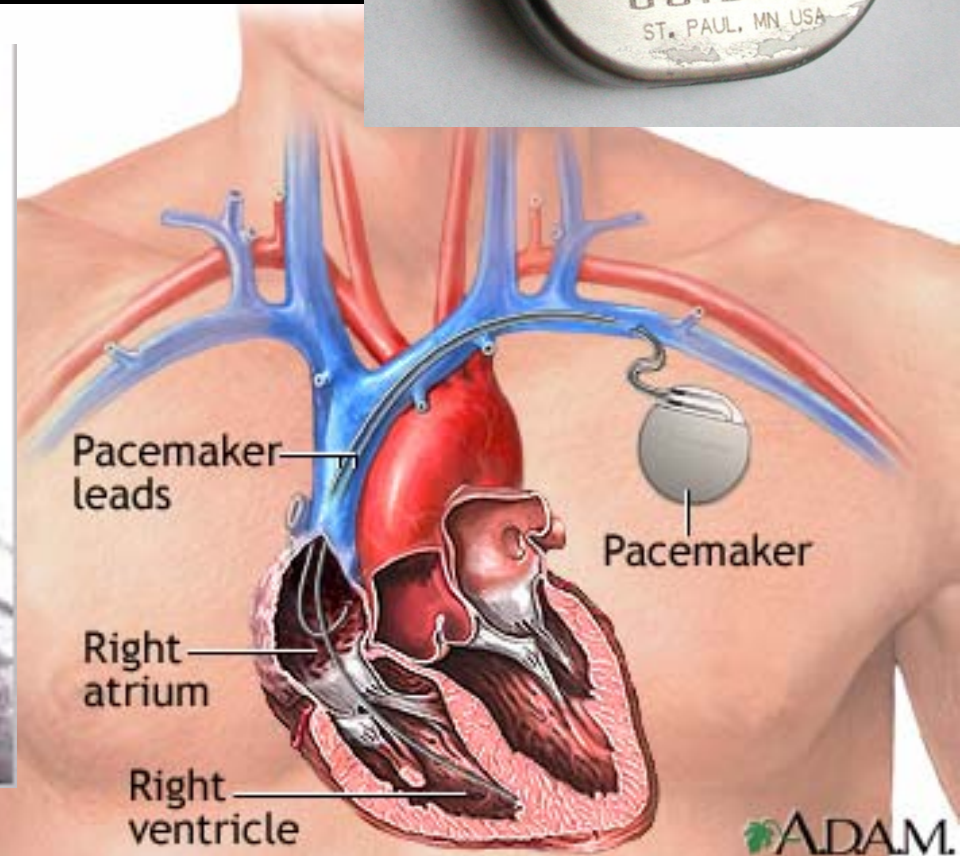
- Transplants





# Surgeries

- Pacemakers



# Surgeries

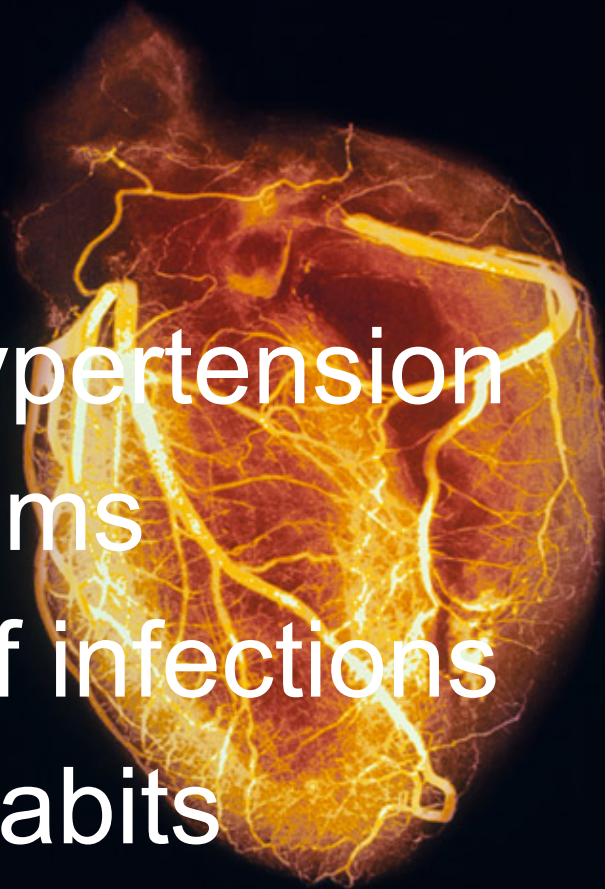
- Artificial hearts





# Prevention of heart ailments

- Proper diet
- Exercise
- Control of hypertension
- Physical exams
- Avoidance of infections
- Temperate habits



Angiogram of a healthy heart  
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