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Cardiology concepts for geneticists

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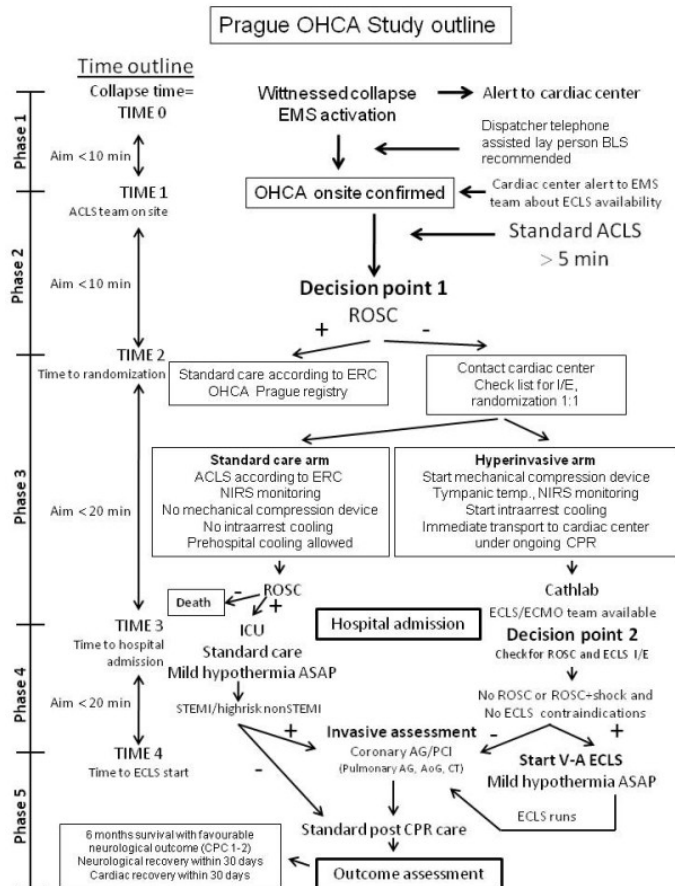
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Barriers to overcome when working together with a cardiologist



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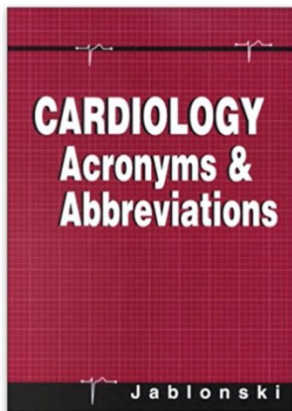


Only 17 Abbreviations: ACLS: advanced cardiac life support; AG: angiography; ASAP: as soon as possible; BLS: basic life support; CPC: cerebral performance category; CPR: cardiopulmonary resuscitation; CT: computed tomography; ECLS: extracorporeal life support; EMS: emergency medical service; ERC: European Resuscitation Council; ICU: intensive care unit; I/E: inclusion/exclusion; NIRS: near infrared spectroscopy; OHCA: out of hospital cardiac arrest; ROSC: return of spontaneous circulation; STEMI: ST elevation acute myocardial infarction; TTE: transthoracic echocardiography



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Filling BOOKS with abbreviations



Cardiology Acronyms & Abbreviations Paperback – 28 Sep 2001

by Stanley Jablonski (Author)

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This spinoff from the Dictionary of Medical Acronyms & Abbreviations, 4th ed. focuses entirely on cardiology terminology. It consists entirely of terms, tests, and clinical trials related to cardiovascular medicine. Indispensable reference for all health care professionals, and other users of medical information related to cardiology.



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...and it is hereditary in up to 80% of the young
making it your problem too !



Doctors (and cardiologists in particular) **WRITE**
as little as possible

Clinical data are missing, phenotype insufficiently described

Complicates the interpretation of genetic variants

KLINISCHE GEGEVENS EN INDICATIE

Specificeer hier en duid de uit te voeren onderzoeken aan op ommezijde. Klinisch verslag / echoverslag als bijlage: ja / neen

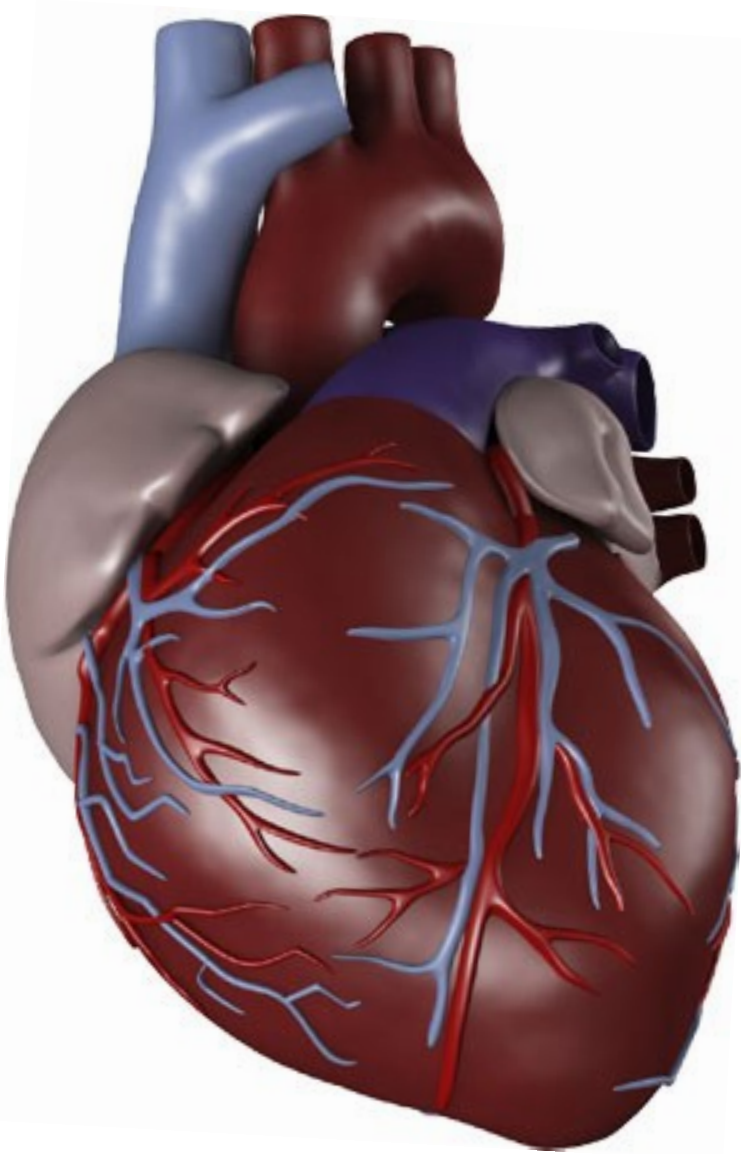
IVSD = 19 mm





1. Anatomy of the heart
2. Normal function of the heart
3. Introduction to cardiac diseases
4. Structural heart disease
5. Electrical heart disease

1. Anatomy of the heart



The Heart

Motor

Muscular pump

100.000 beats/day

Organ perfusion

O₂ to organs

CO₂ to lungs

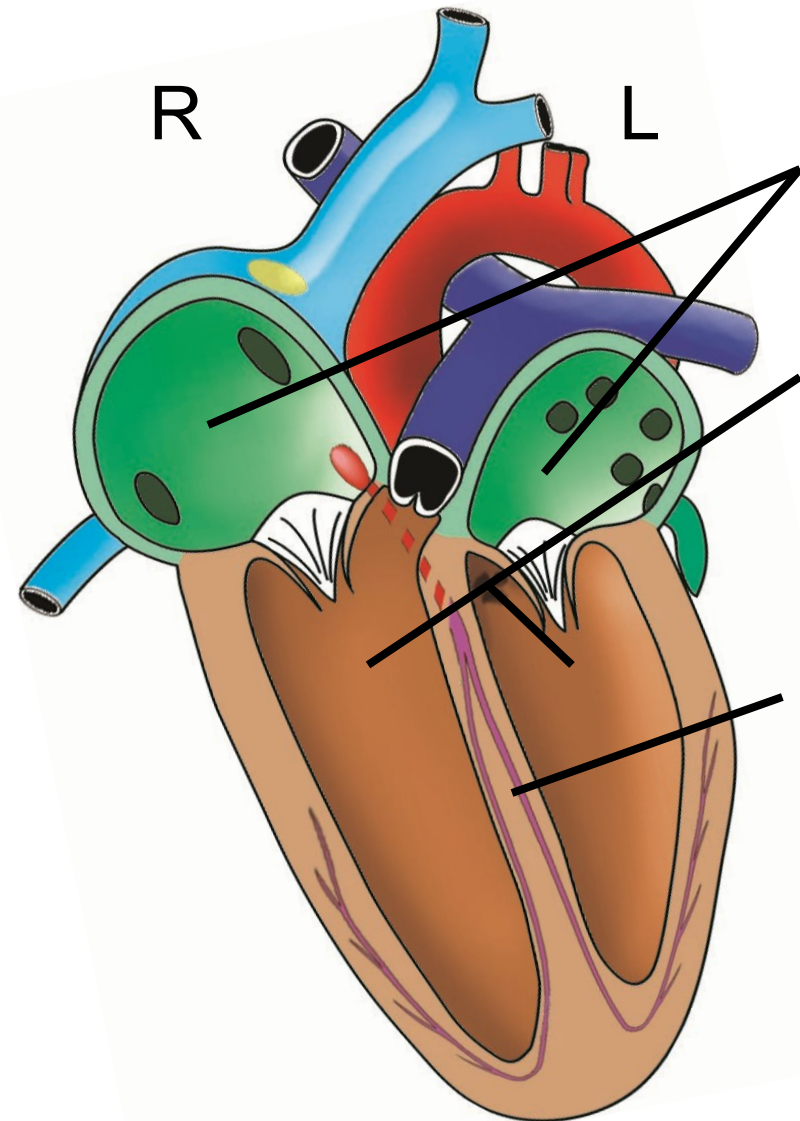


4 Chambers

Atria (RA & LA)

Ventricles (RV & LV)

Interventricular septum (IVS)





Conduction system

Sinus node (SN)

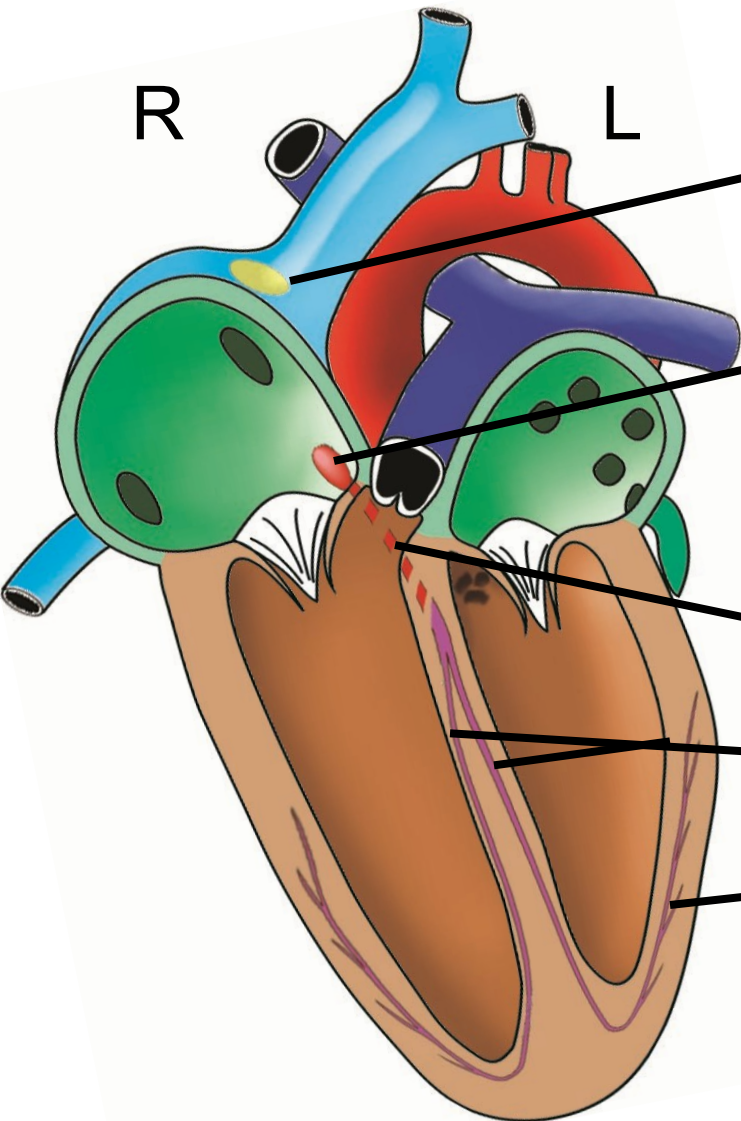
AV node (AVN)

His Purkinje system:

His Bundle

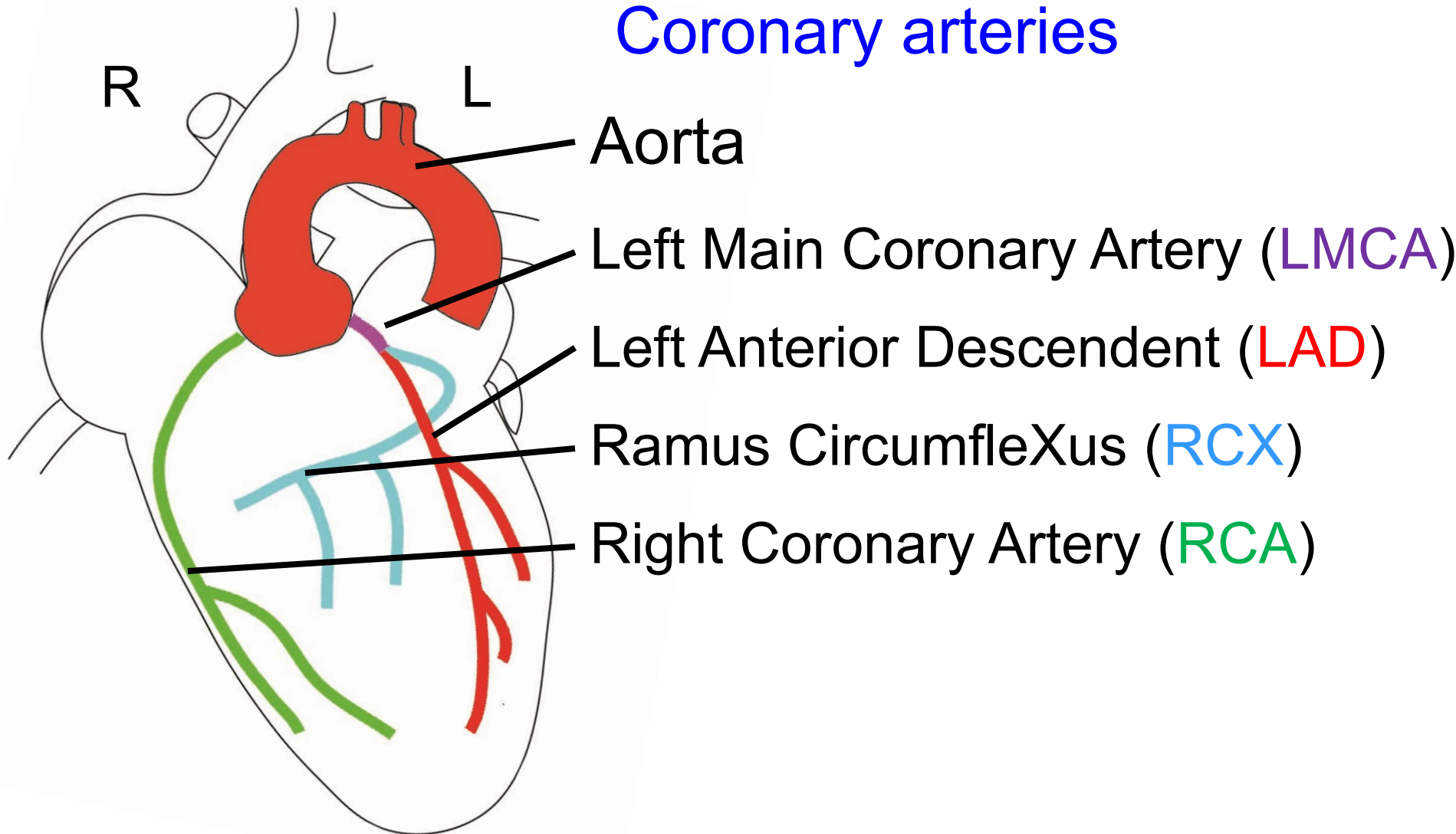
Bundle branches

Purkinje network



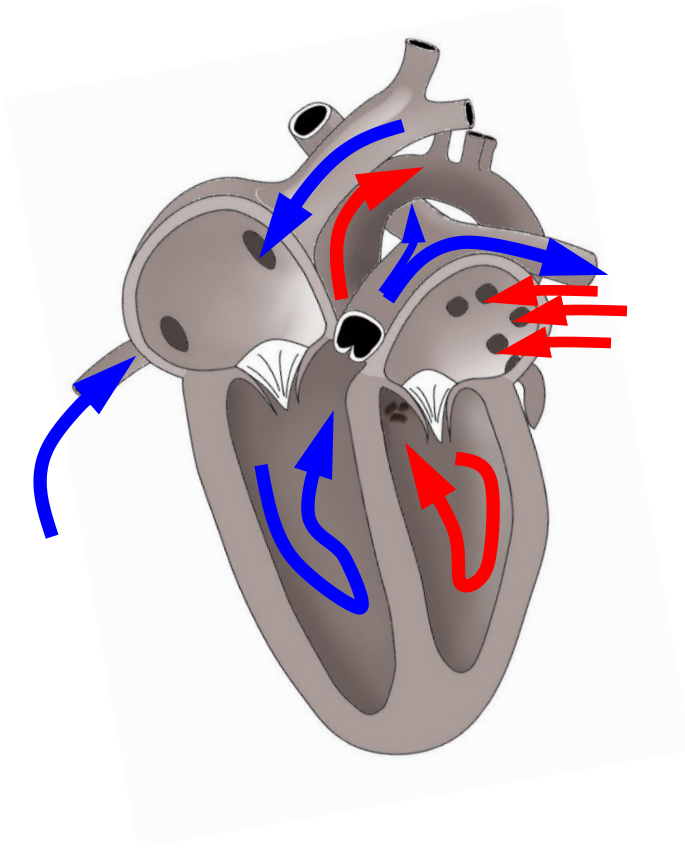


Coronary arteries

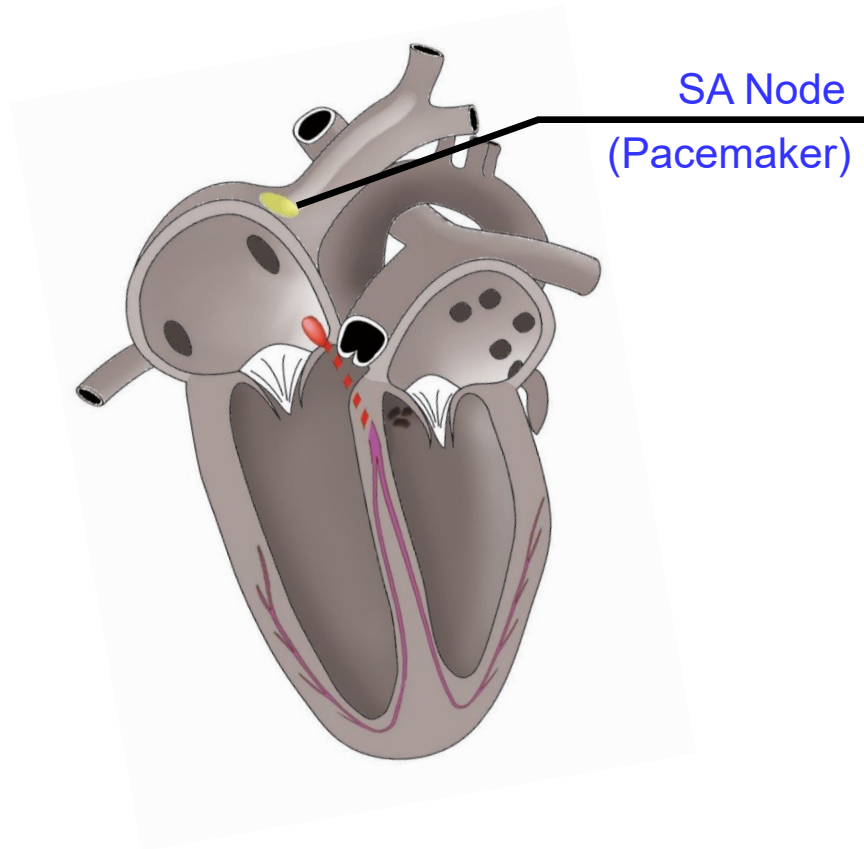




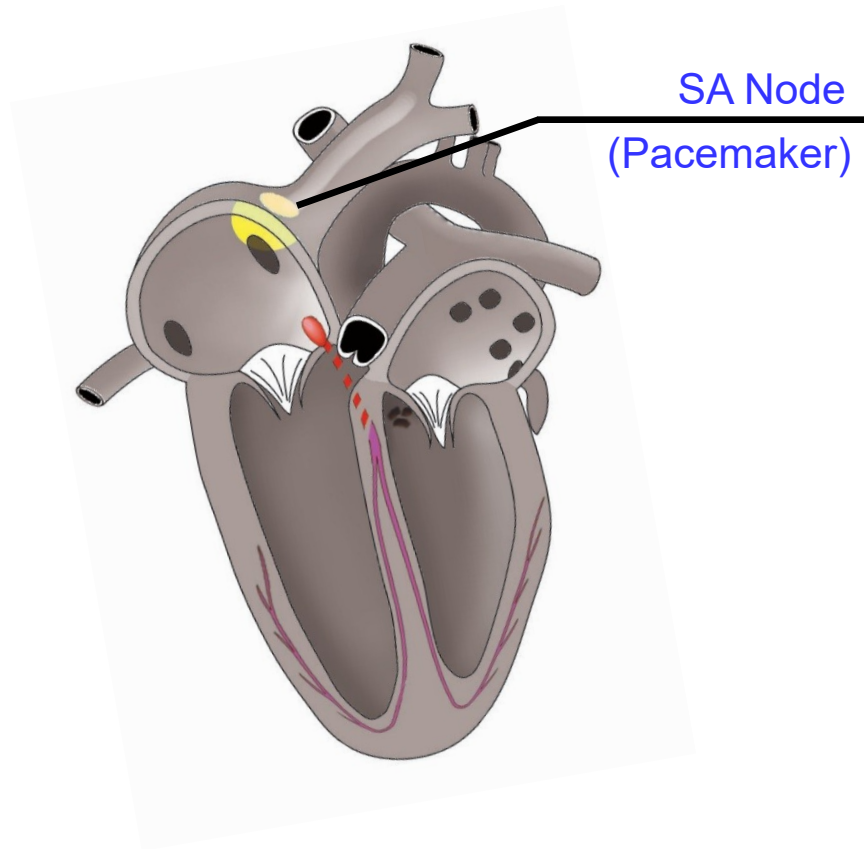
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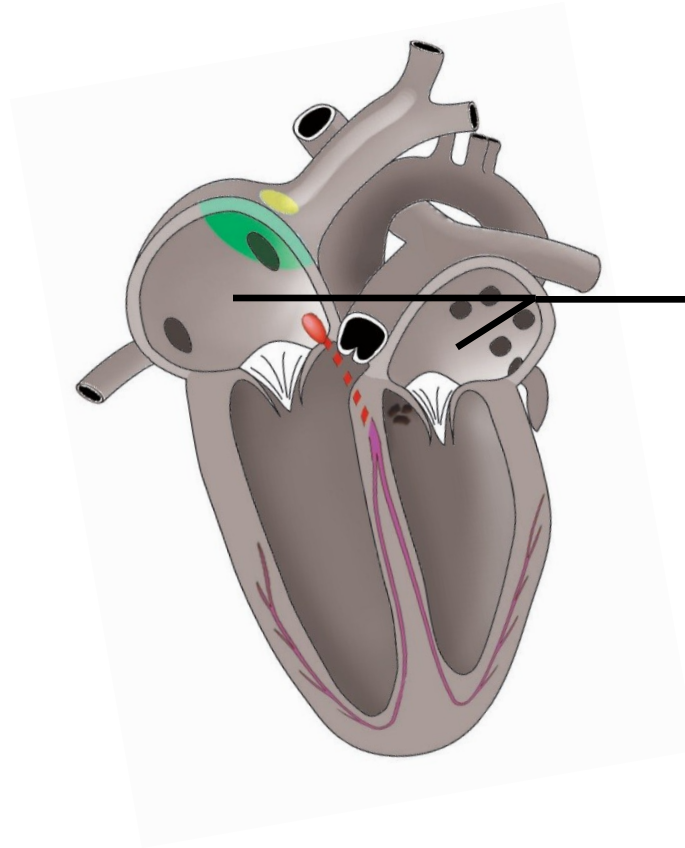


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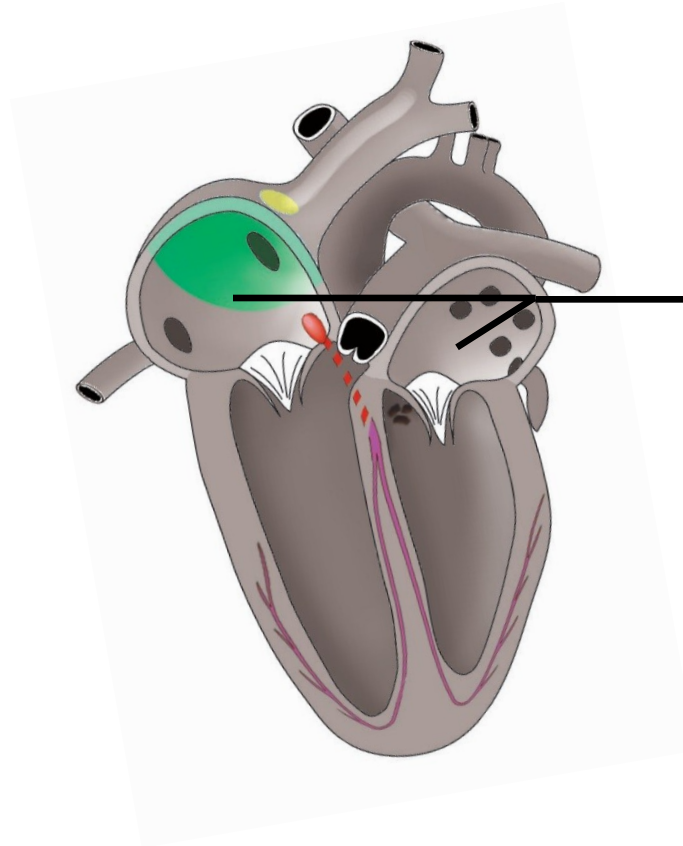
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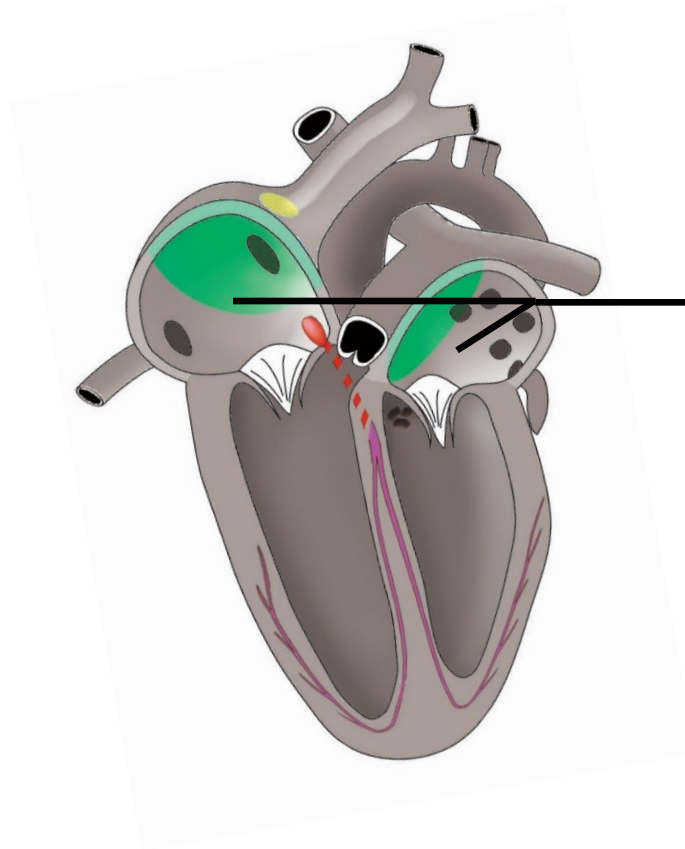
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Muscle conduction
velocity $\sim 0.5\text{m/s}$



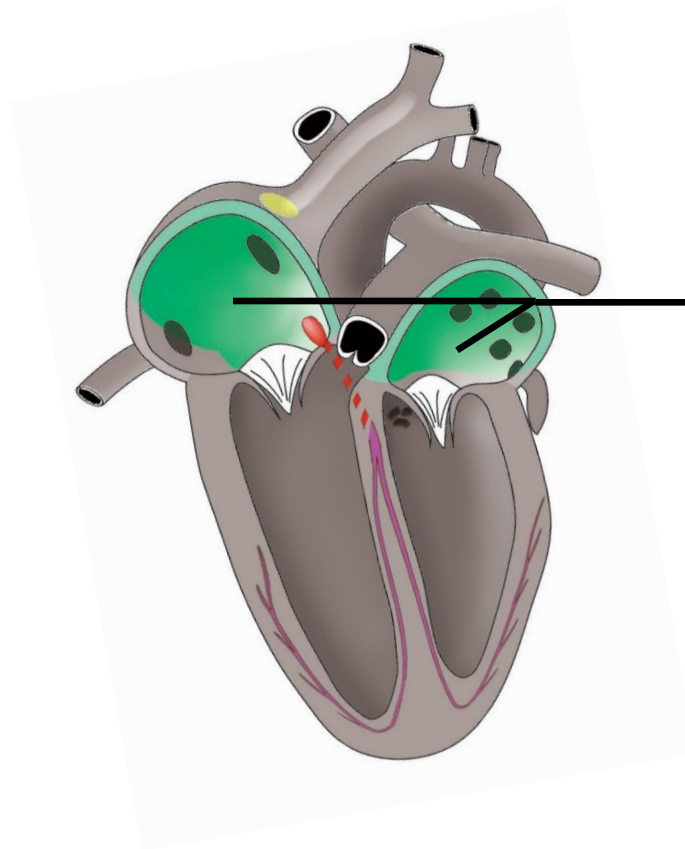
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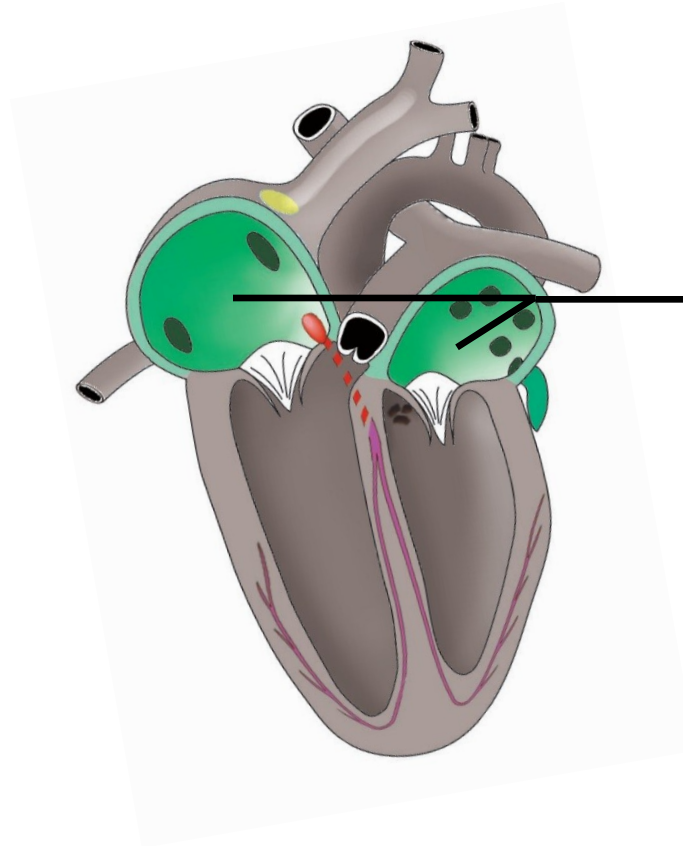
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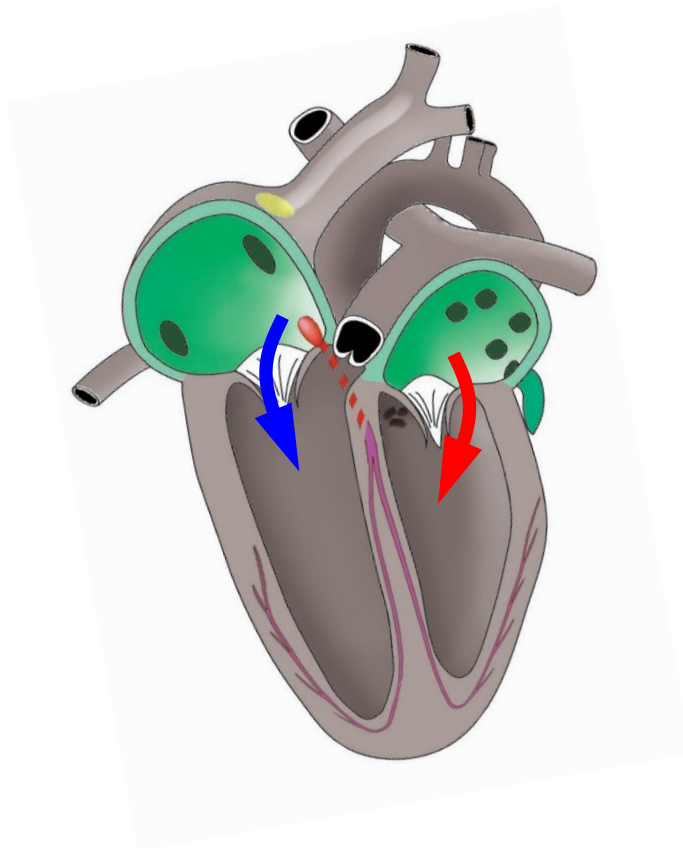
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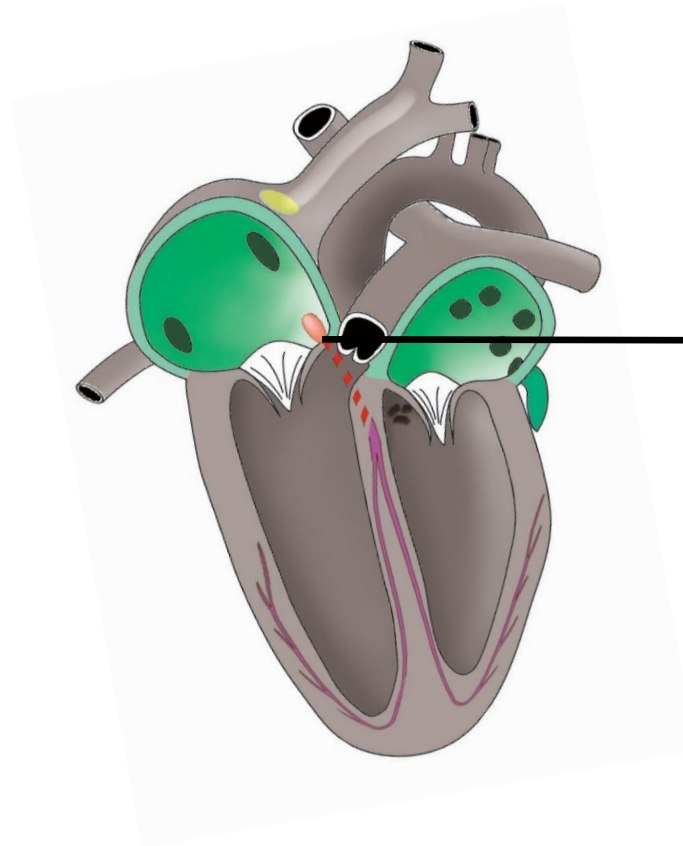
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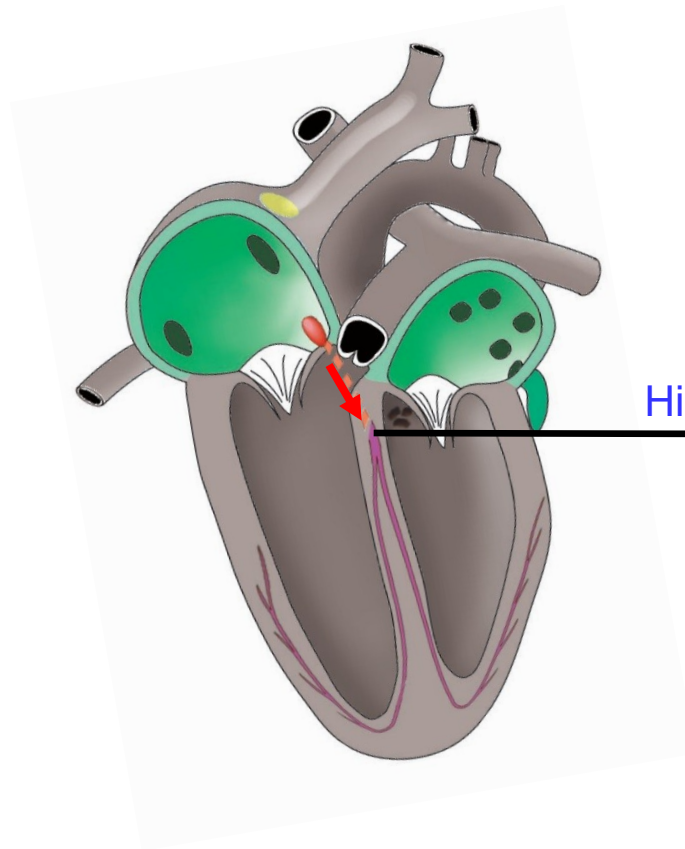
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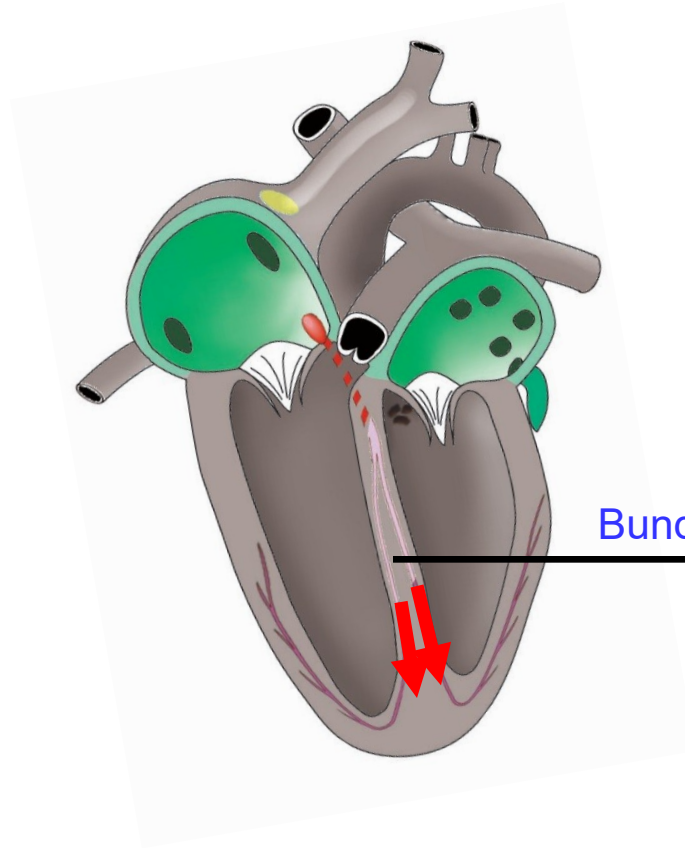
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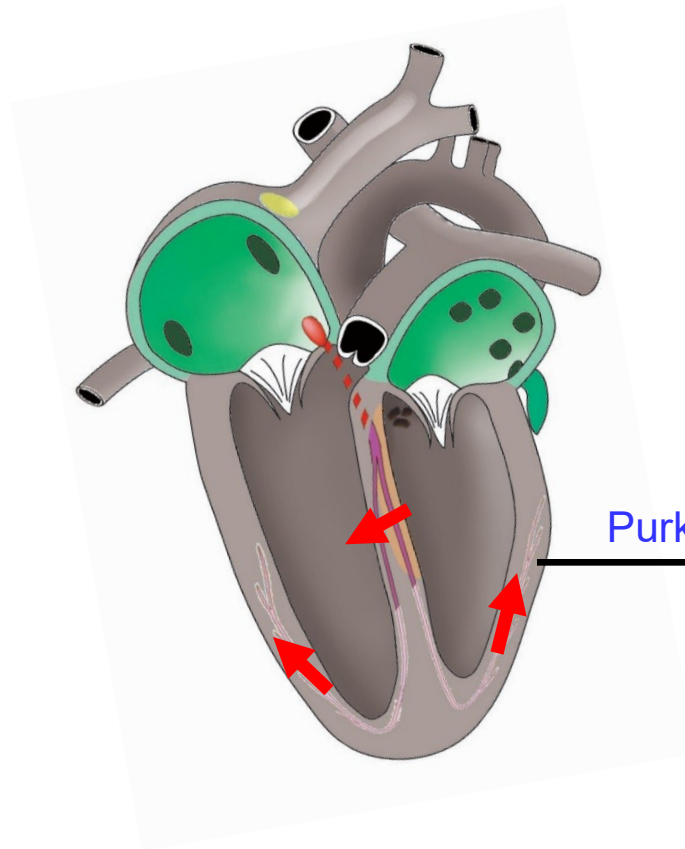
AV Node Conduction slowing
 $\sim 0.05\text{m/s}$
 = filter for excessive
 atrial activity



His bundle Fast conduction
~2m/s

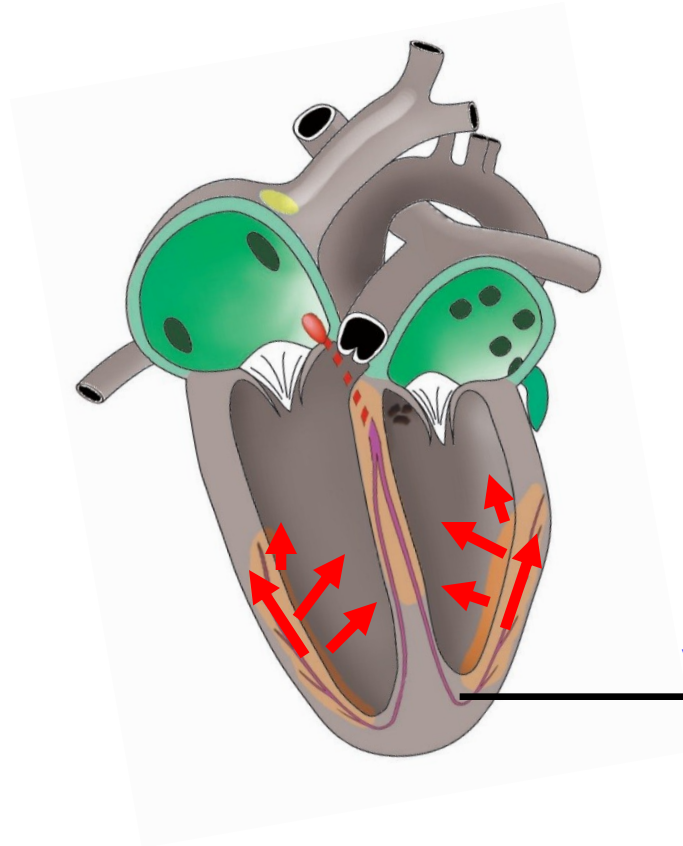


Bundle branches Fast conduction
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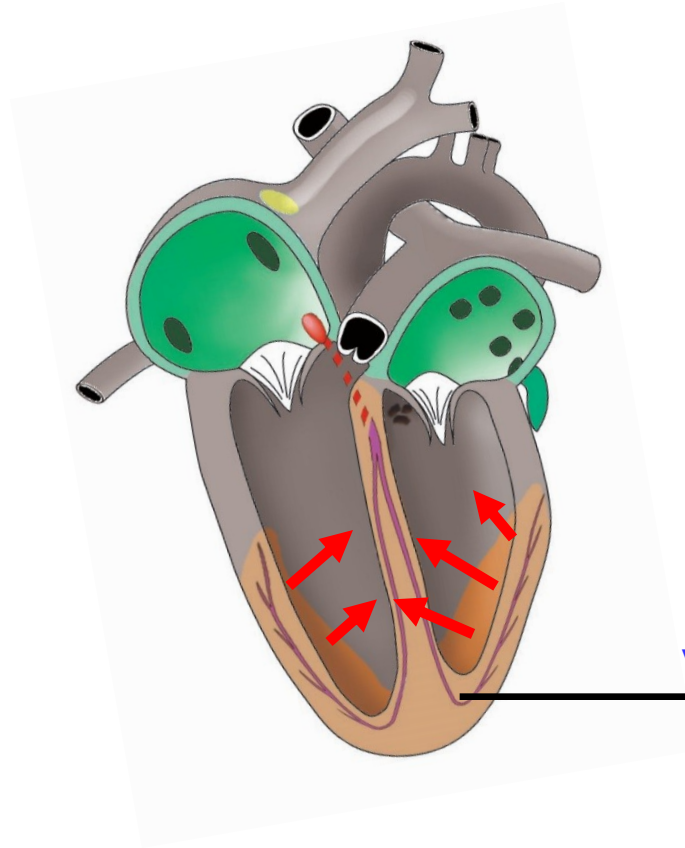
Purkinje Fibre Fast conduction
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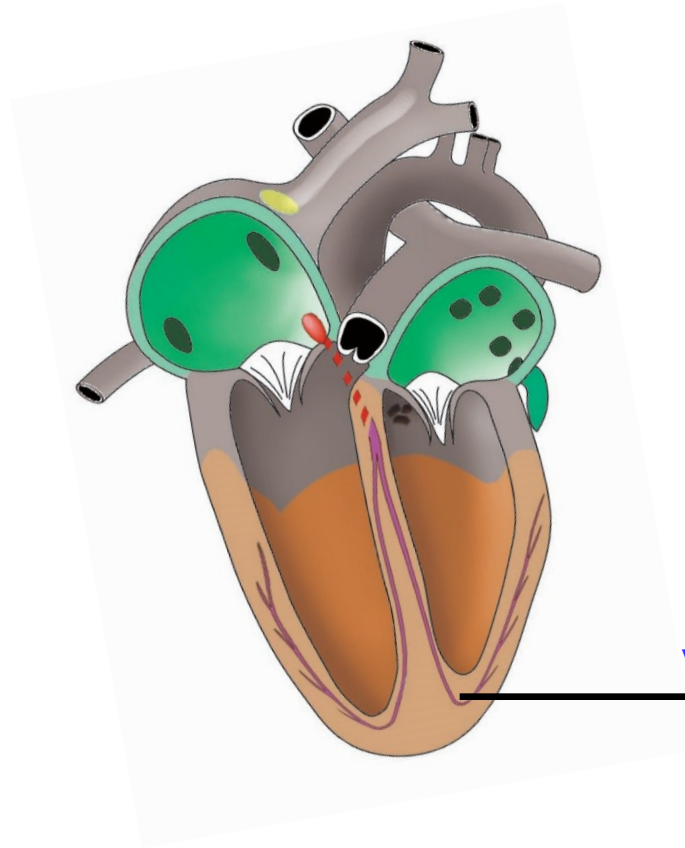
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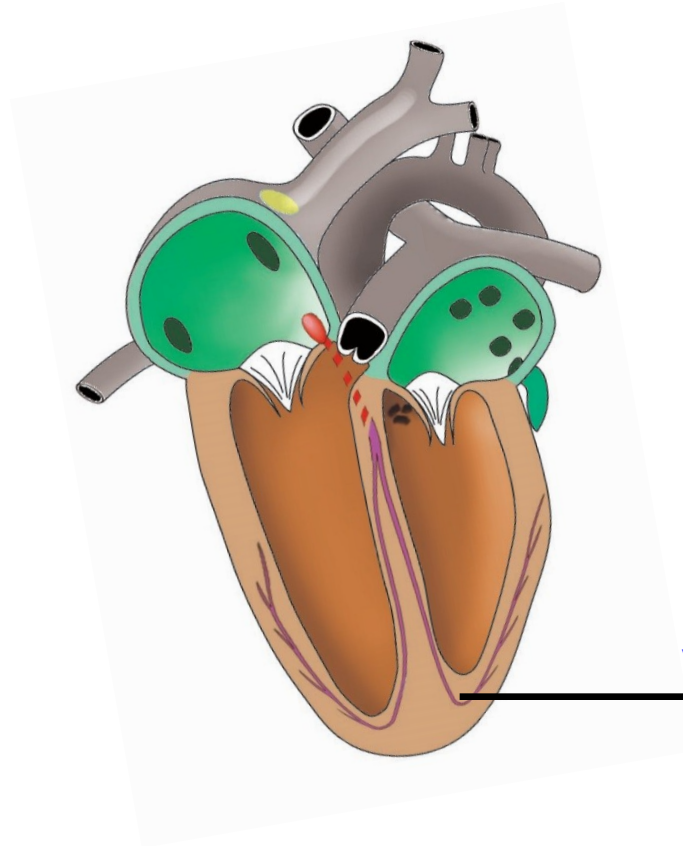
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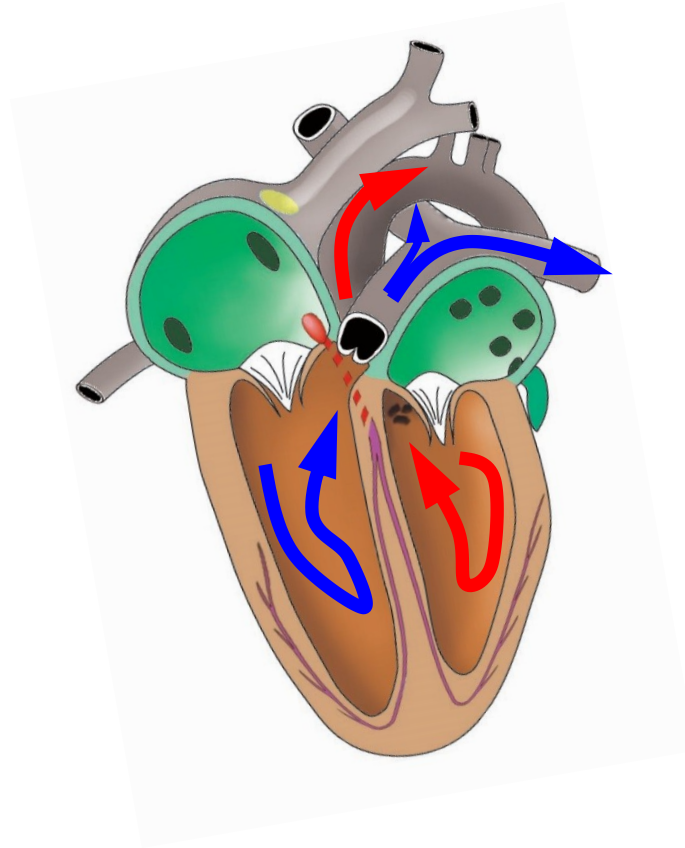
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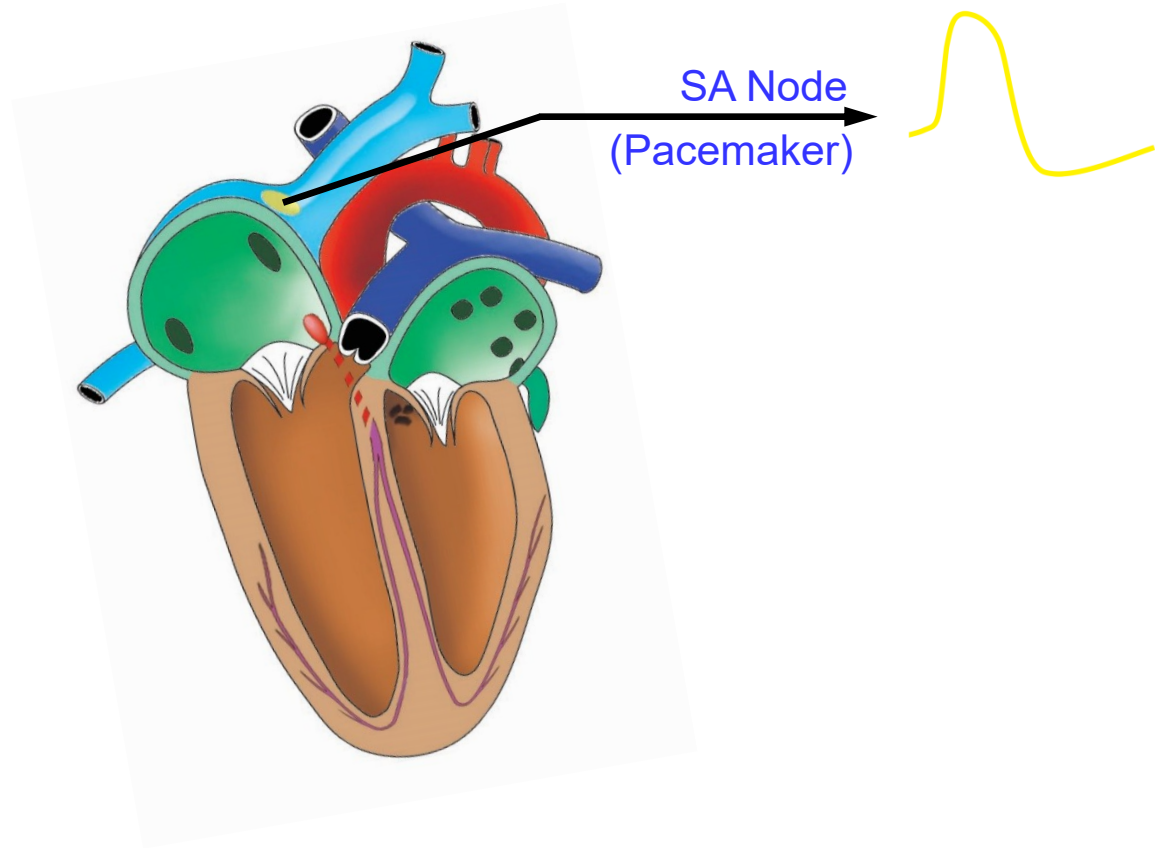
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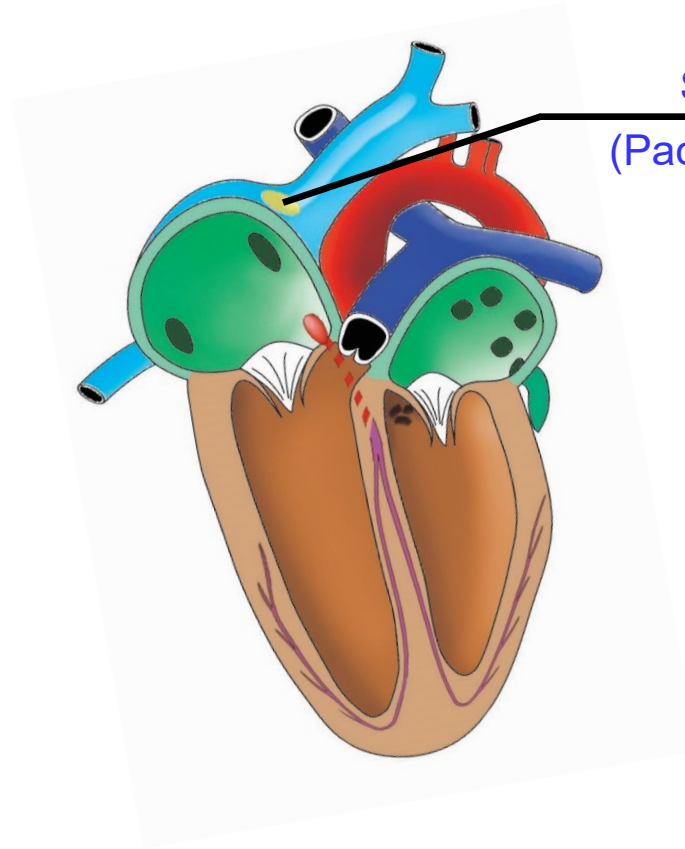


Electrical functioning of the heart

Action potential (AP)

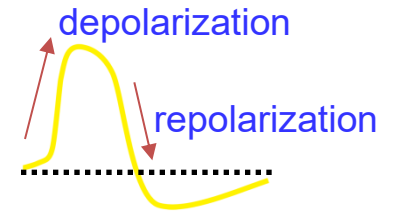


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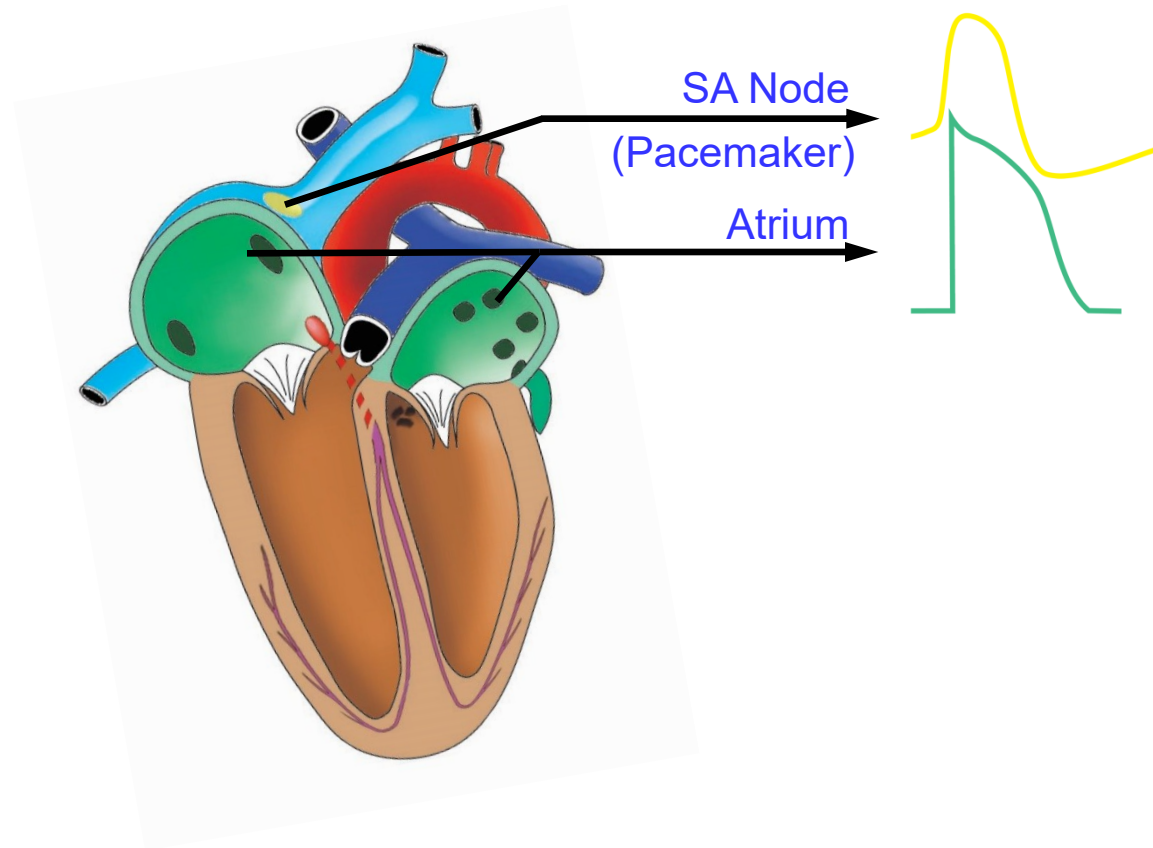
SA Node
(Pacemaker)

Action potential (AP)



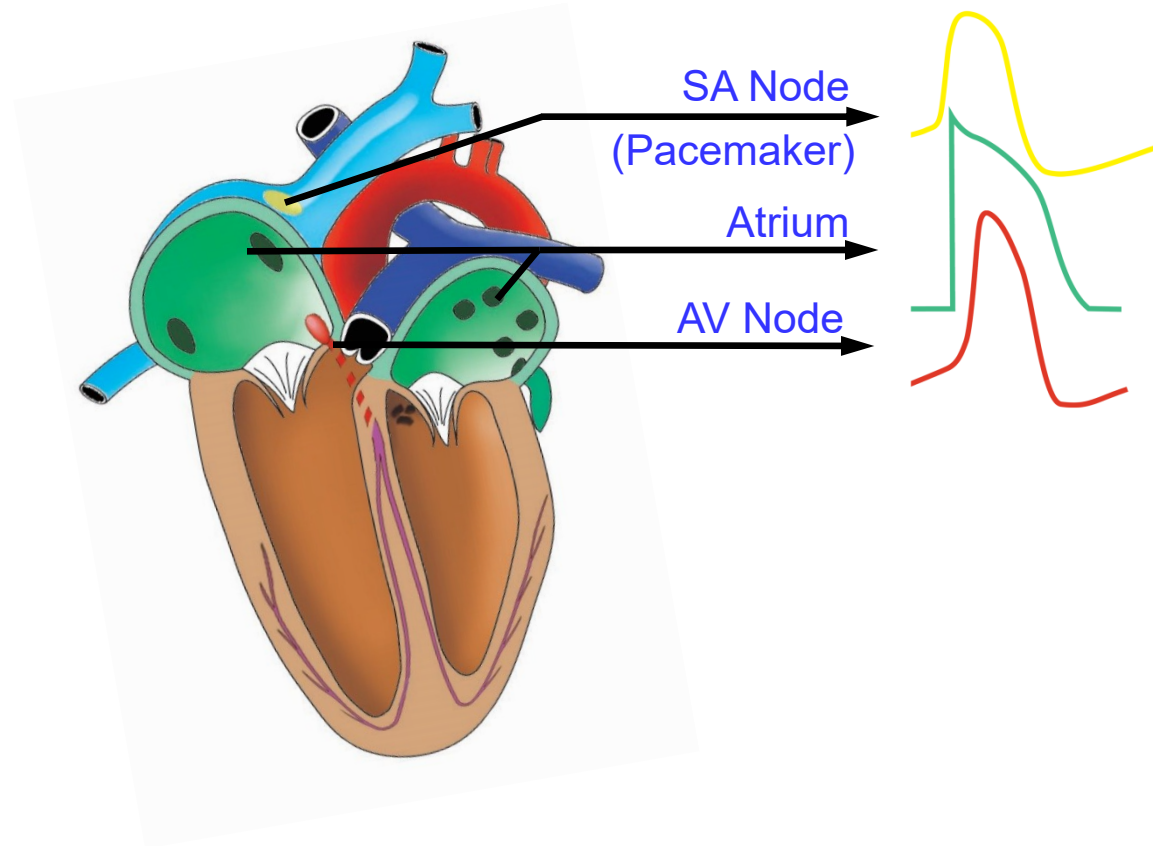
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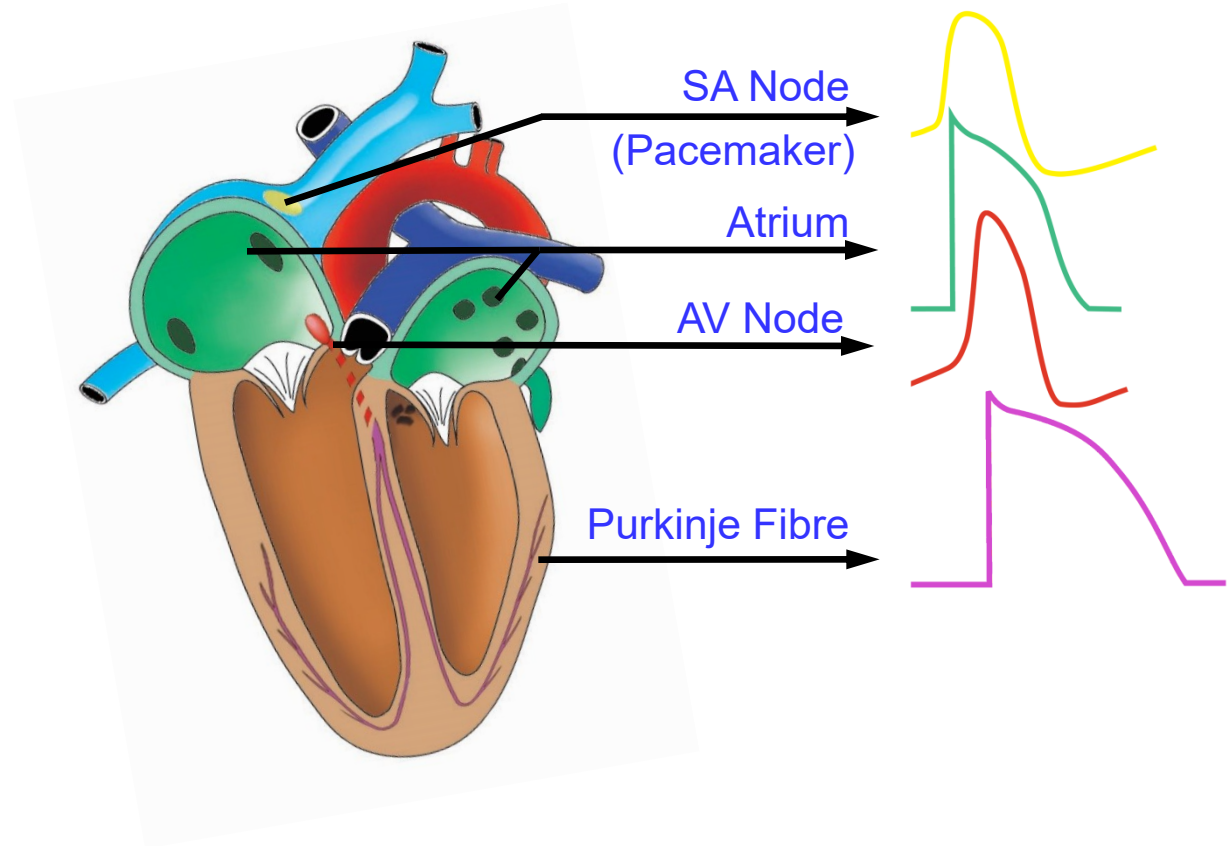
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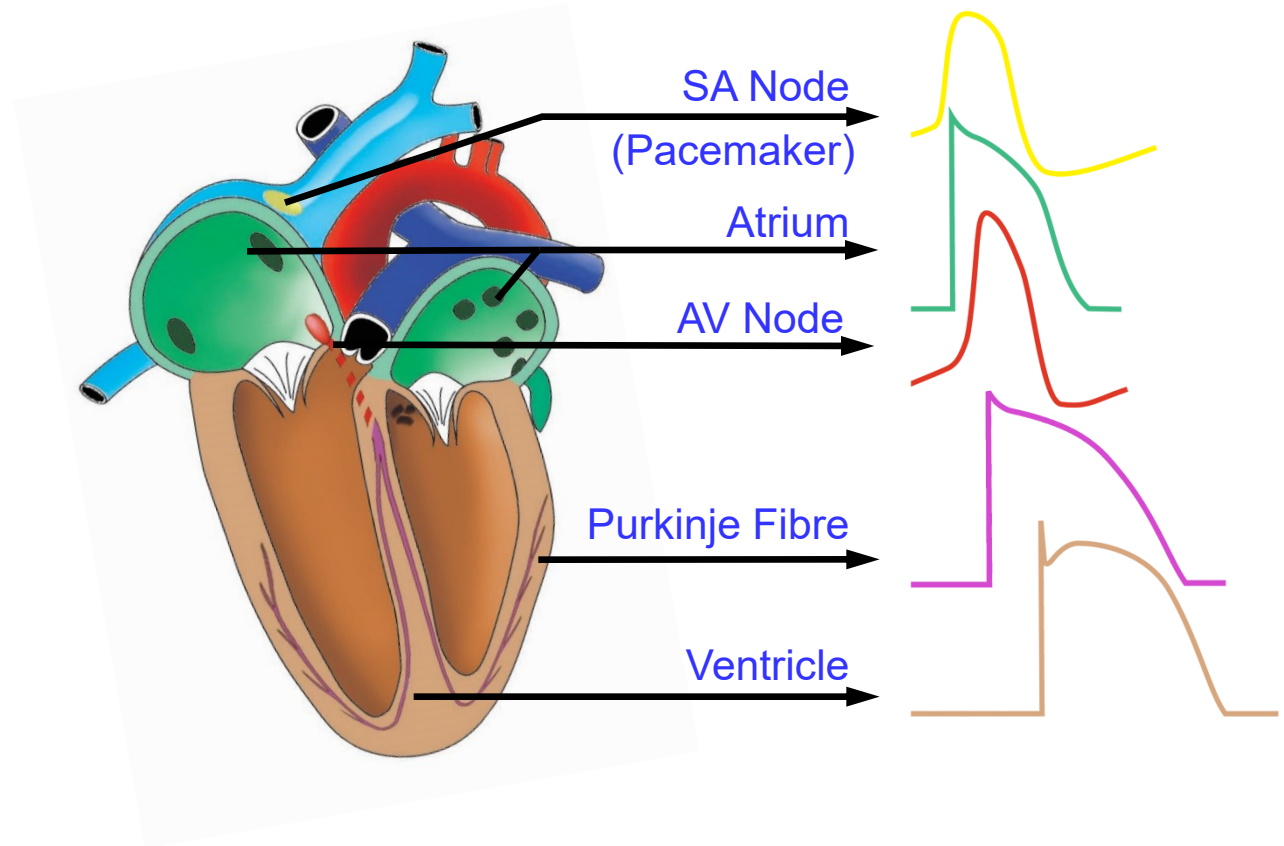
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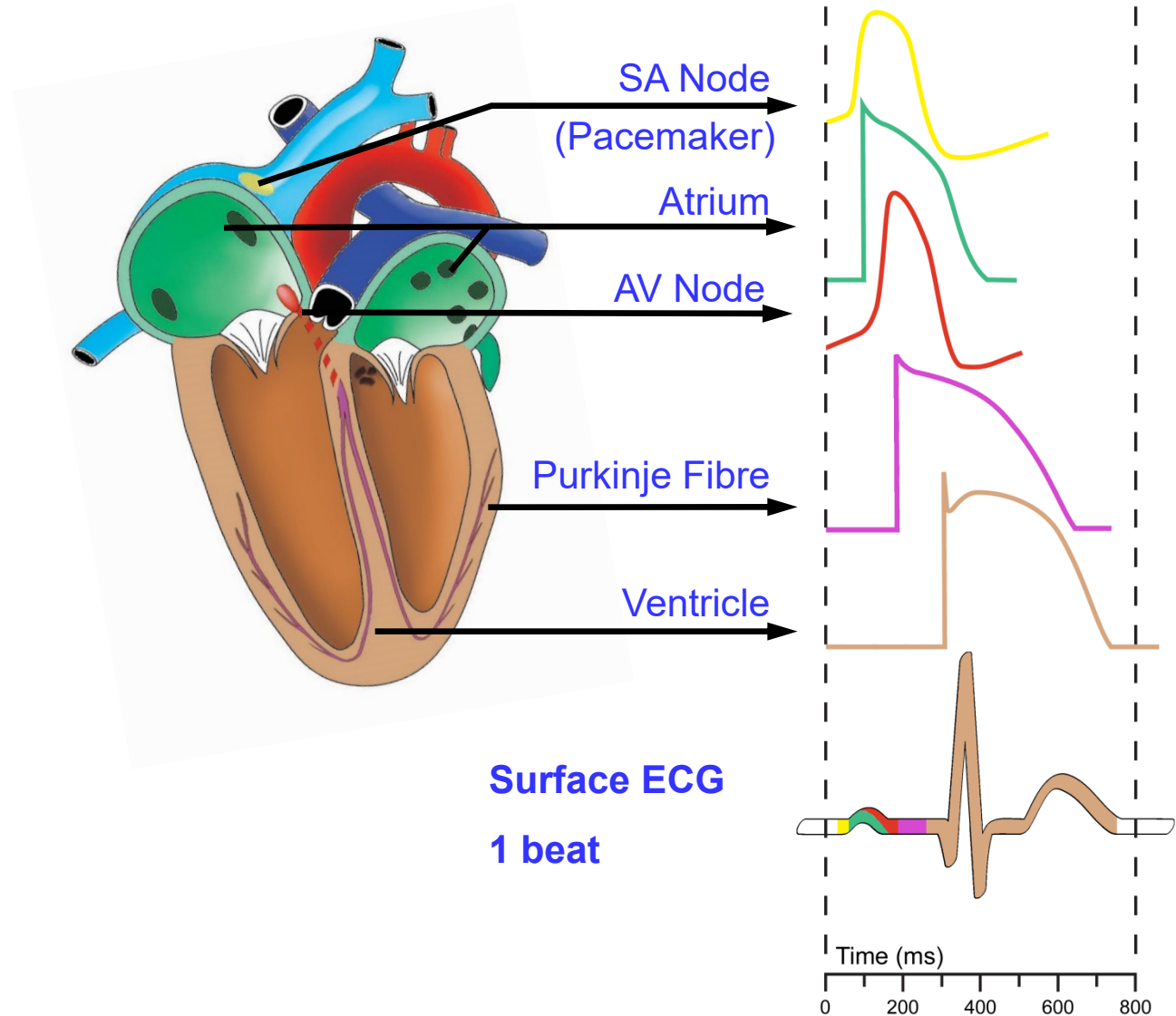
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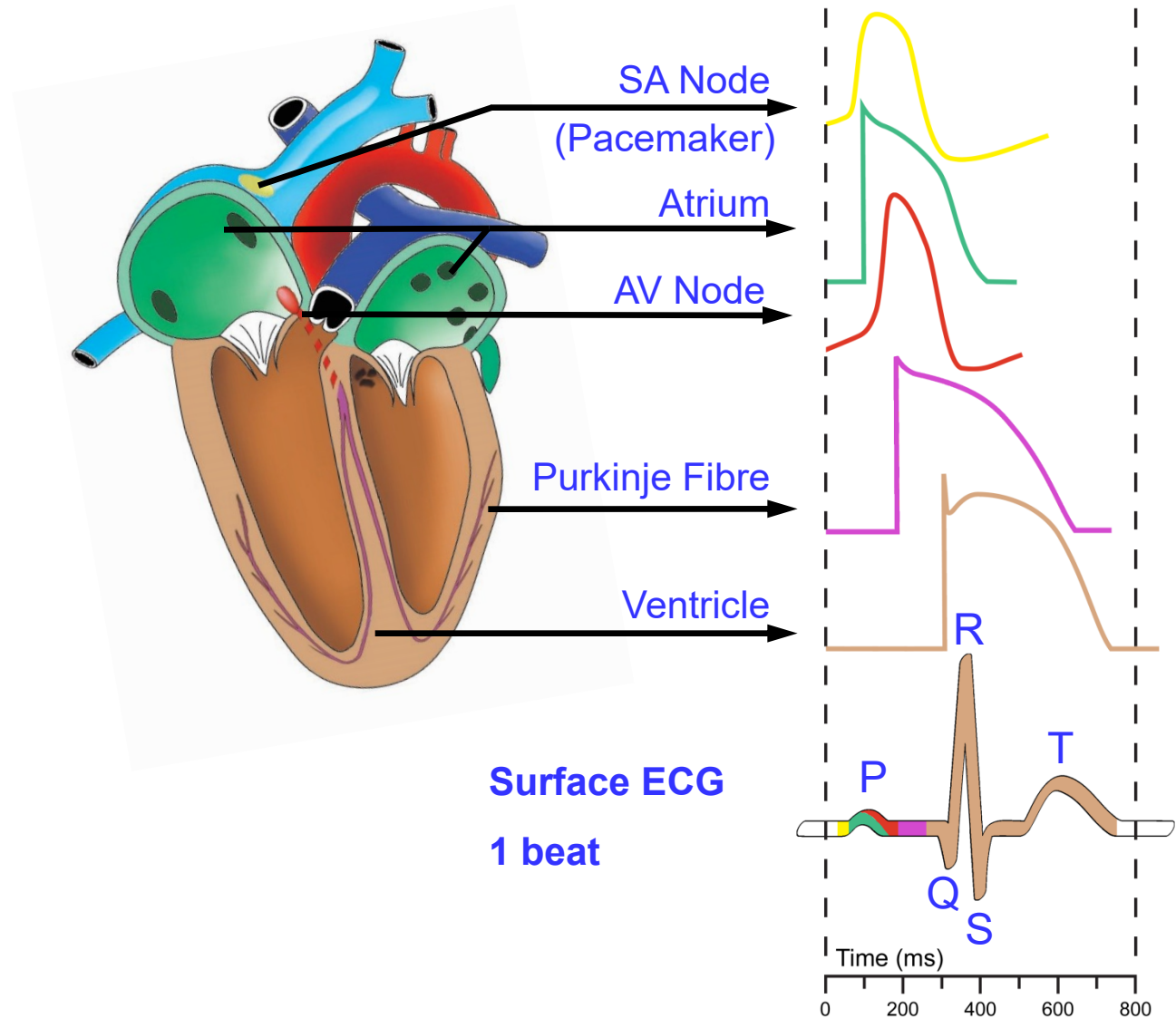
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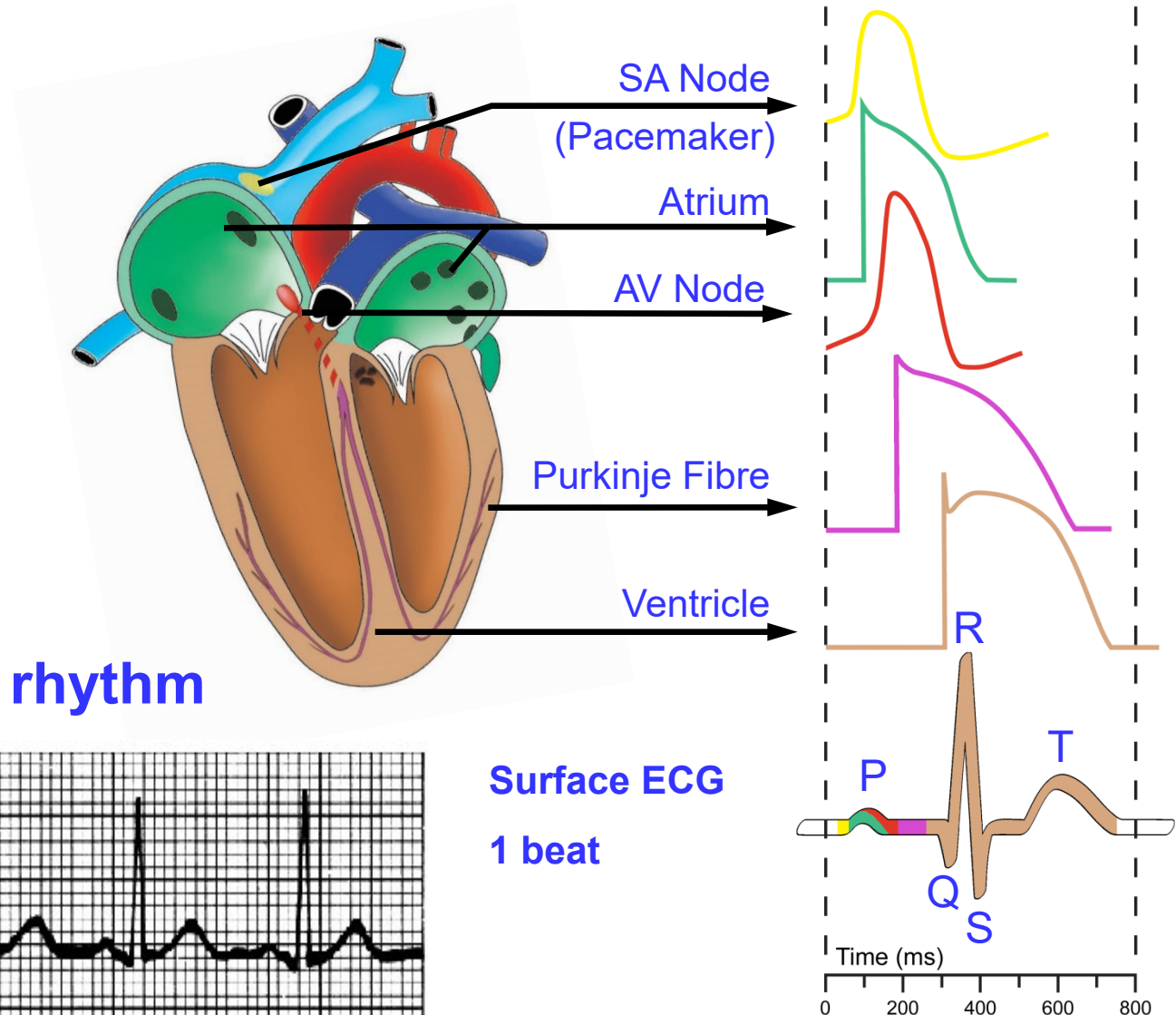
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Sinus rhythm

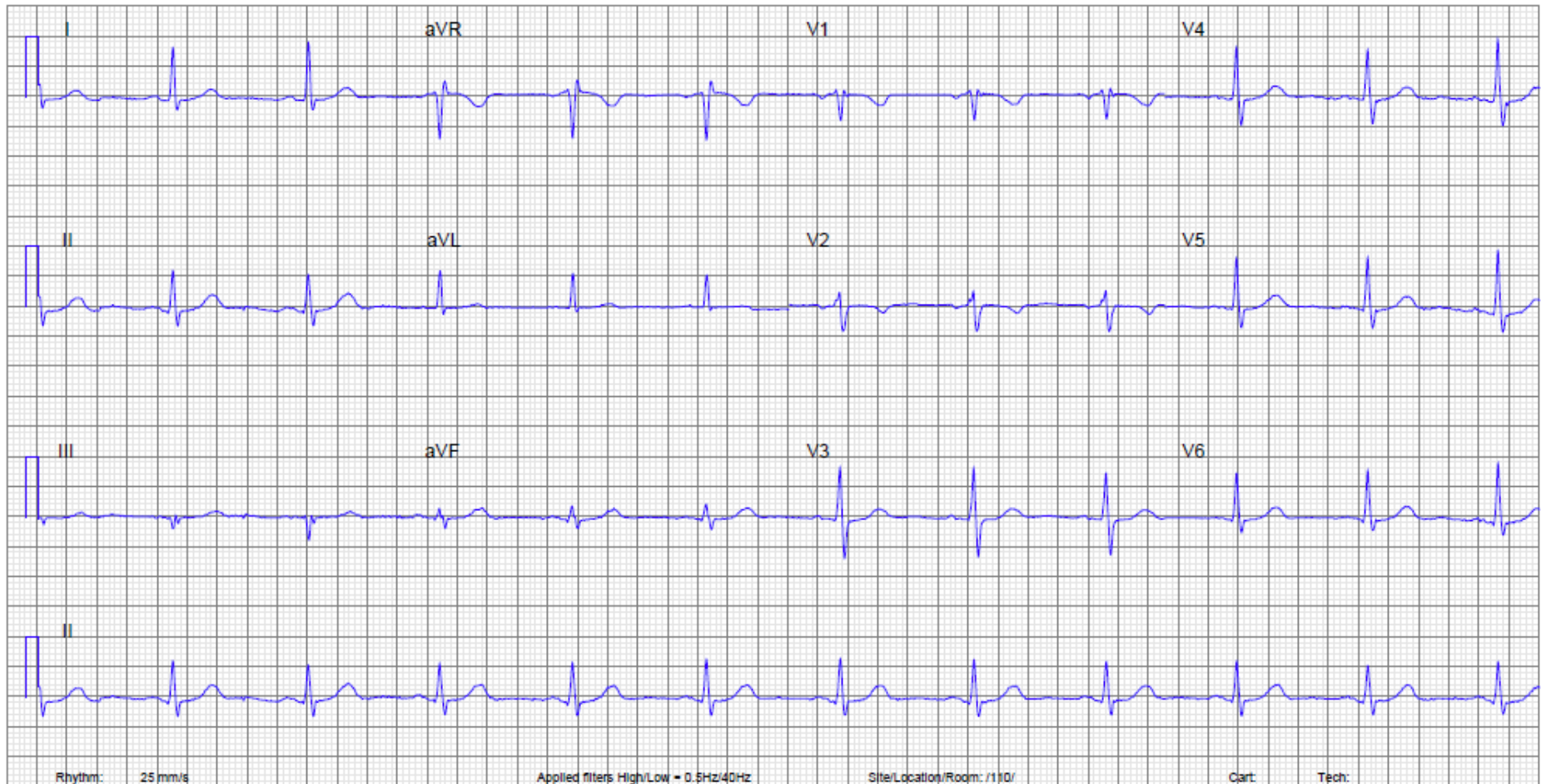


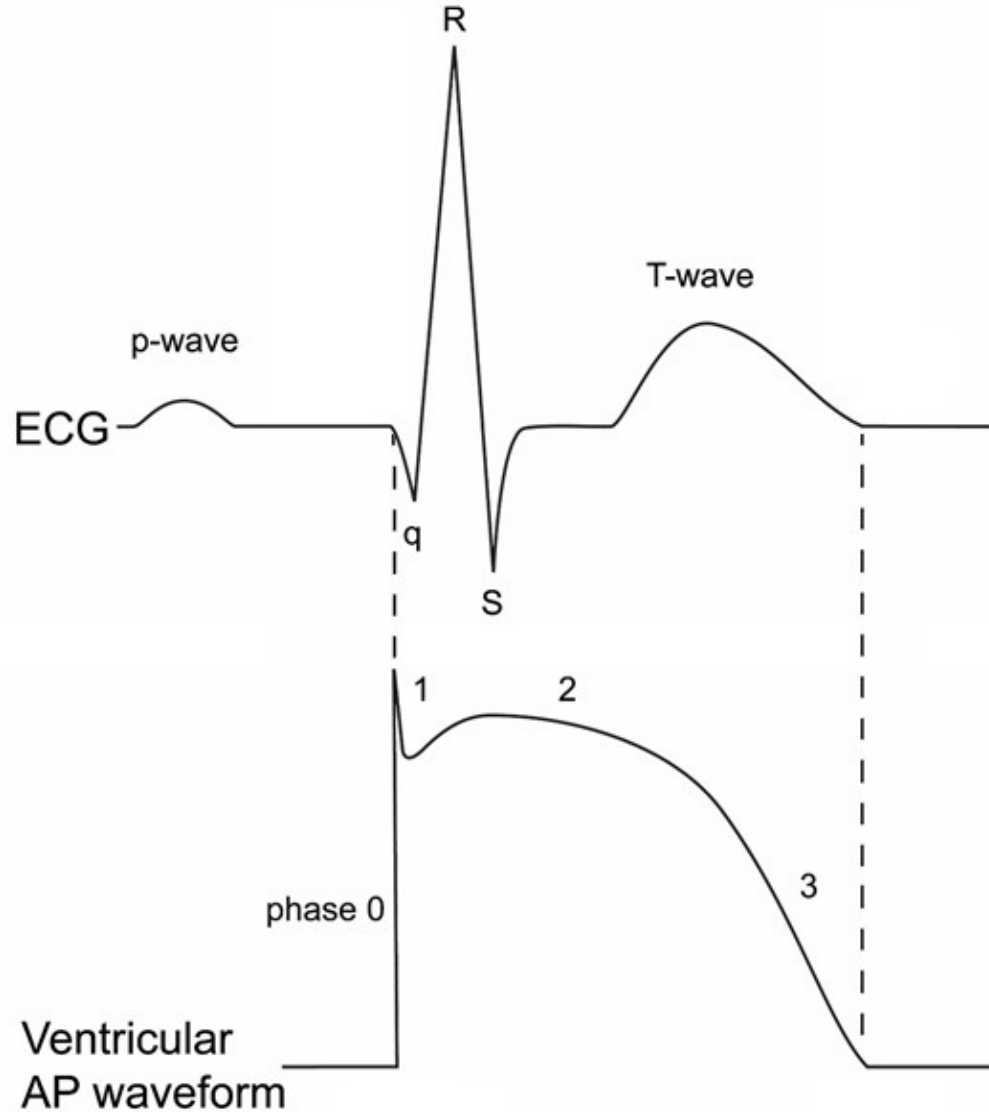
Surface ECG

1 beat



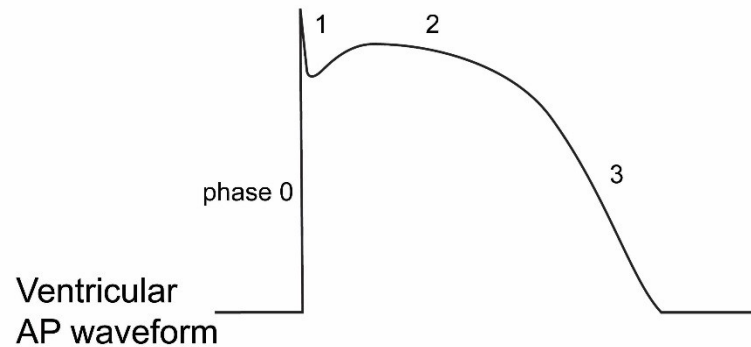
ECG = 12-lead recording of the sum of all vectors
depolarization and repolarization of the entire heart







The cardiac action potential (AP)



Ion channel Gene

Ionic current

SCN5A



Nav1.5 / I_{Na}

CACNA1C



Cav1.2 / L-type I_{Ca}

CACNA1G
CACNA1H



Cav3.1 / T-type I_{Ca}
Cav3.2 / T-type I_{Ca}

NCX1



Na/Ca exchanger

KCND2/KCND3



Kv4.2/Kv4.3 / $I_{to,1}$

?



-- / $I_{to,2}$

KCNQ1



KvLQT1 / I_{Ks}

KCNH2



hERG / I_{Kr}

KCNA5



Kv1.5 / I_{Kur} or I_{Kq}

CFTR, CLC2/3 ?
KCNK2



I_{Cl}
TREK-1 / I_{ss}

KCNJ2/KCNJ12



Kir2.1/Kir2.2 / I_{K1}

KCNJ3/KCNJ5
KCNJ11



Kir3.1/Kir3.4 / I_{KACh}
Kir6.2 / I_{KATP}

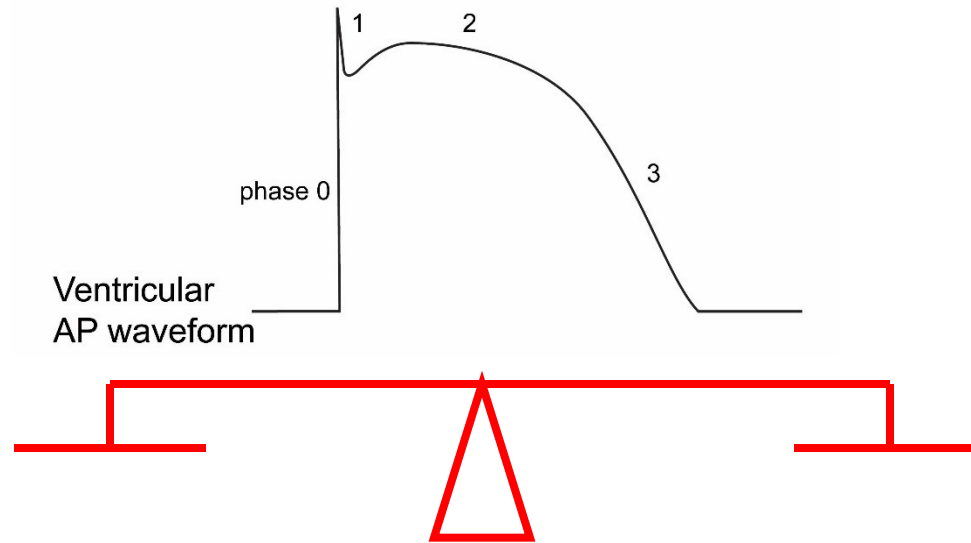
HCN1,2,4



I_f



The cardiac action potential (AP)



Depolarization

I_{Na^+} (SCN5A)

$I_{Ca^{2+}}$ (α_{1c} , α_{1H} , Exch.)

Repolarization

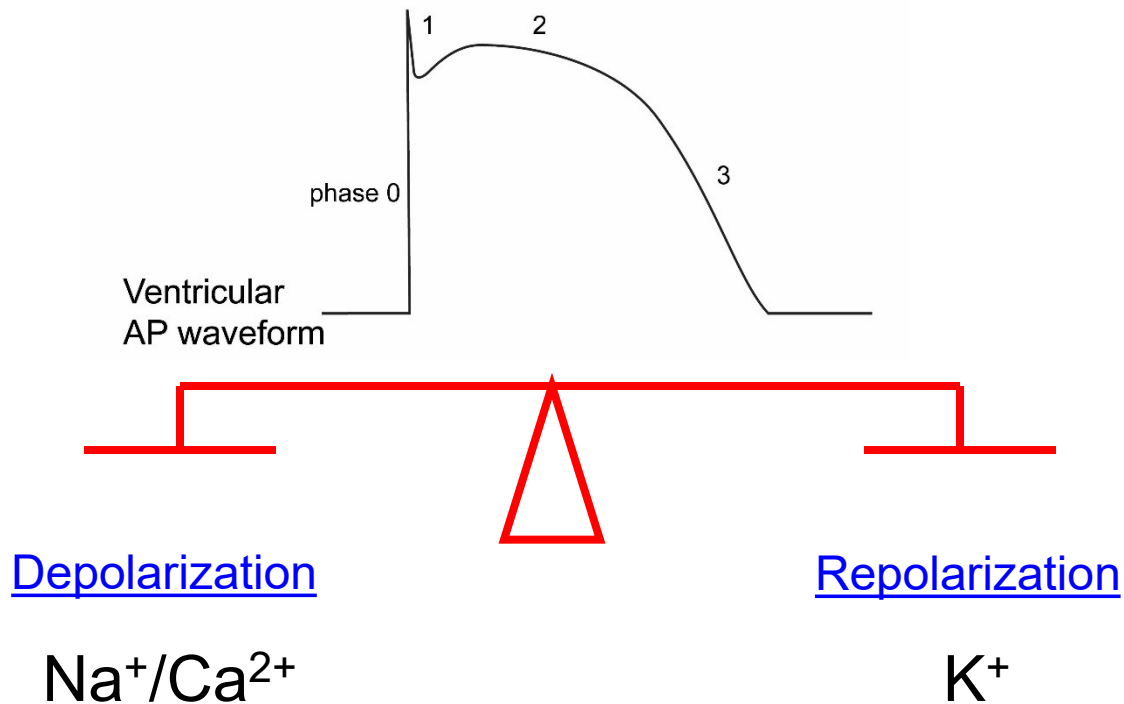
I_{to} (Kv4.2/4.3)

I_{Kr} , I_{Ks} (KvLQT1, hERG)

I_{K1} (Kir 2.1)



The cardiac action potential (AP)



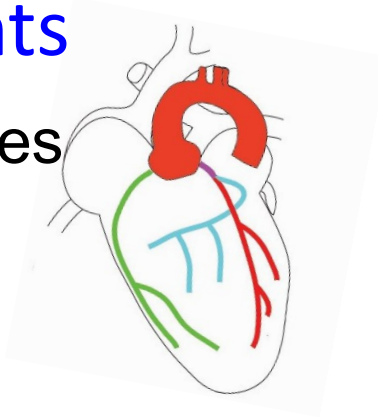


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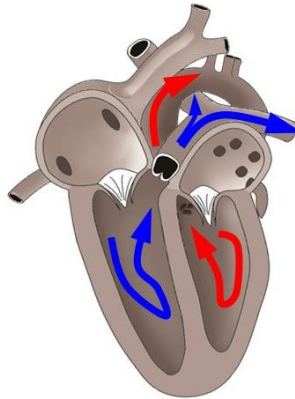


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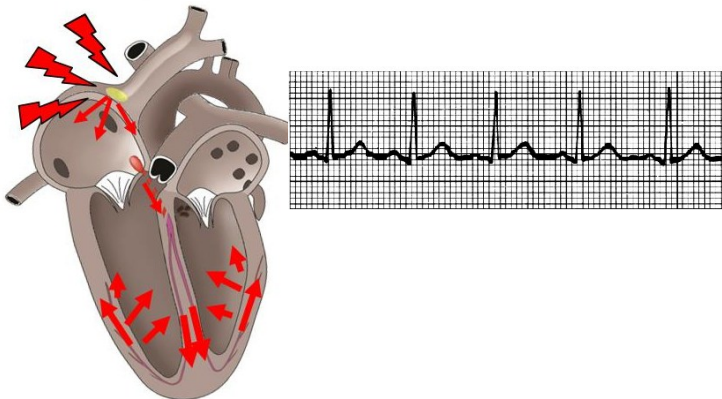
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2. Pump function



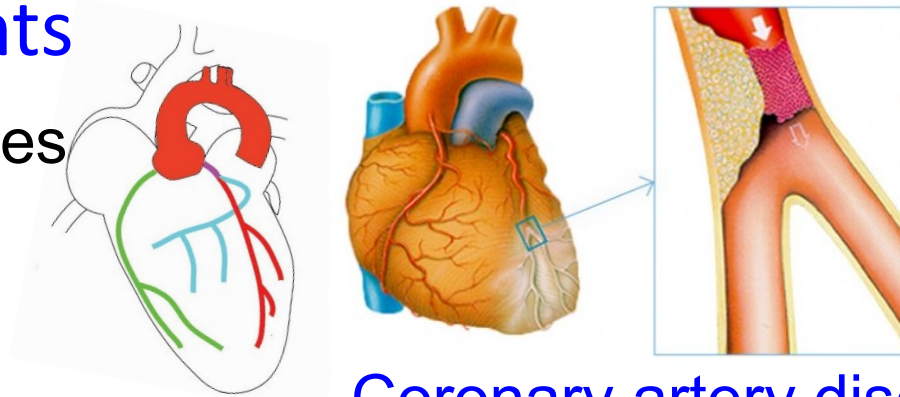
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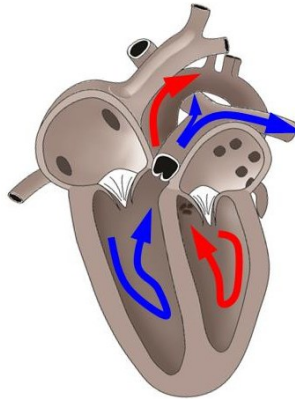
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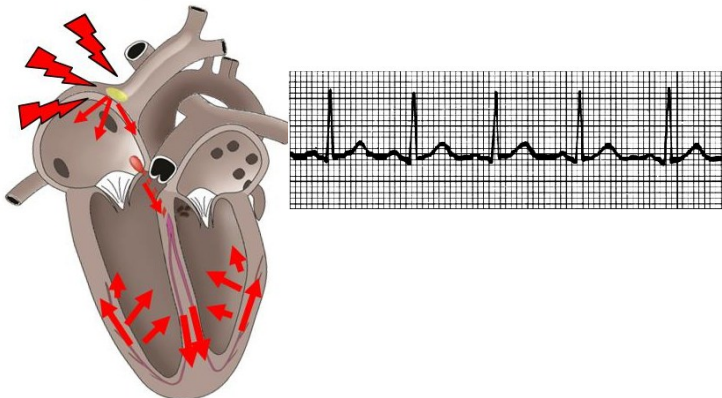


Coronary artery disease (CAD)

2. Pump function



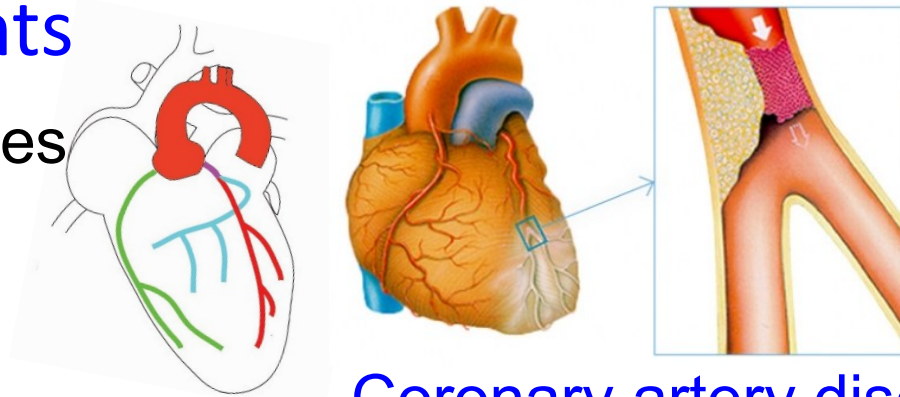
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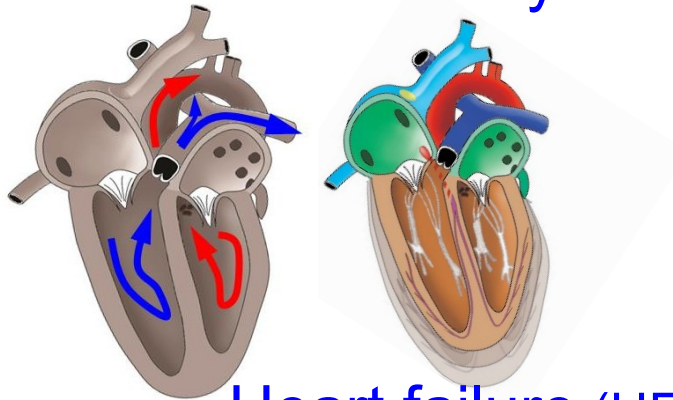
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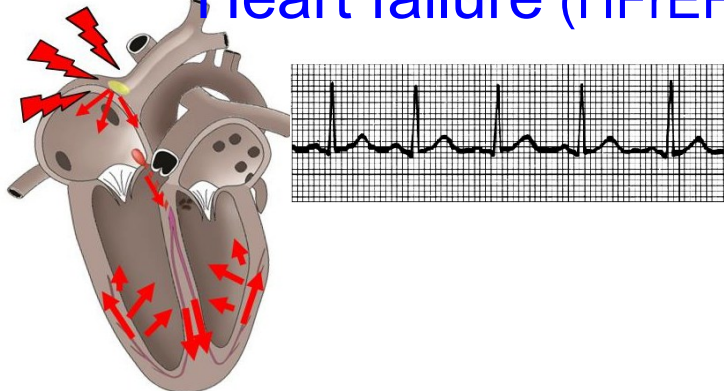
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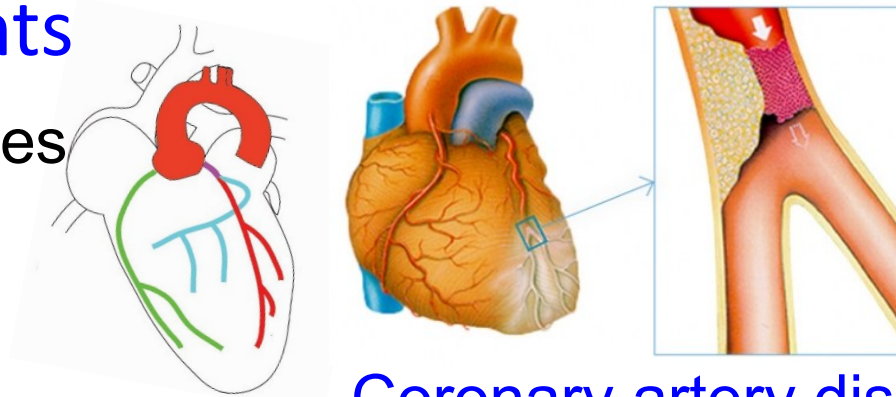
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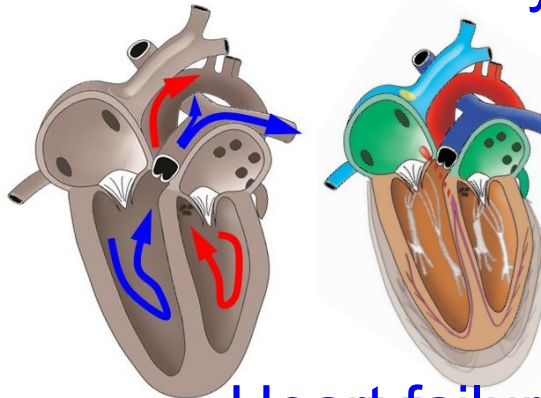
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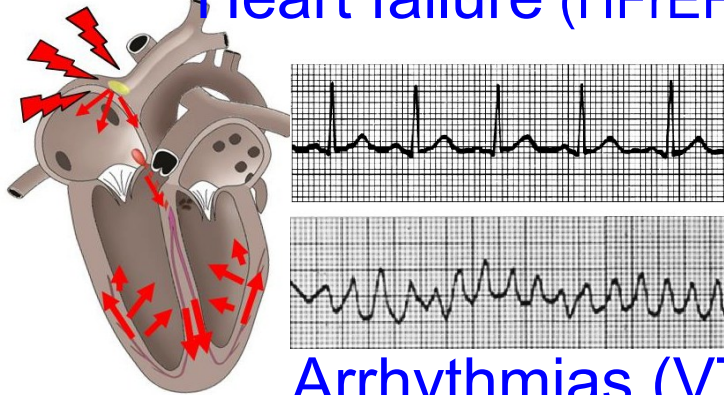
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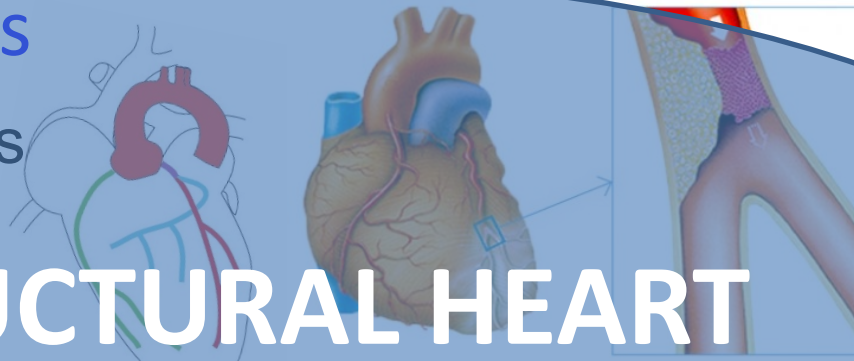


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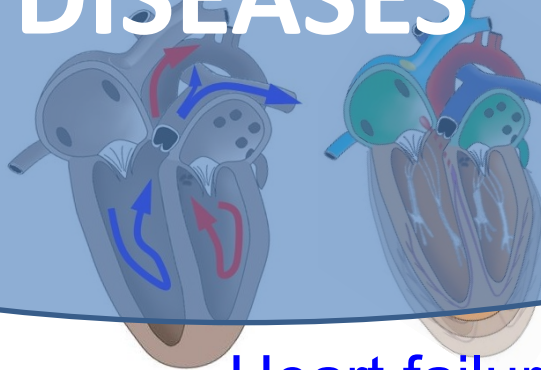
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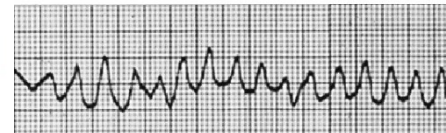
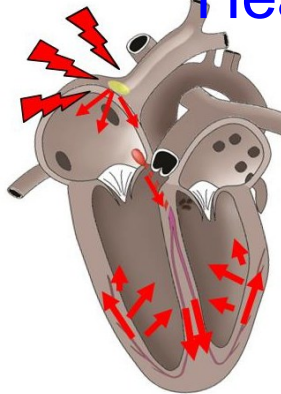
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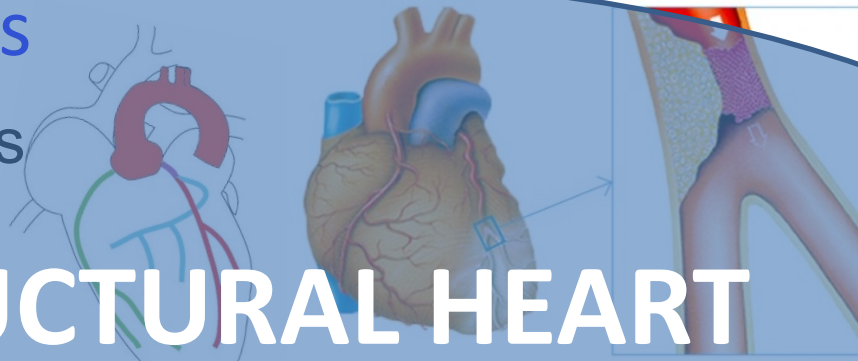


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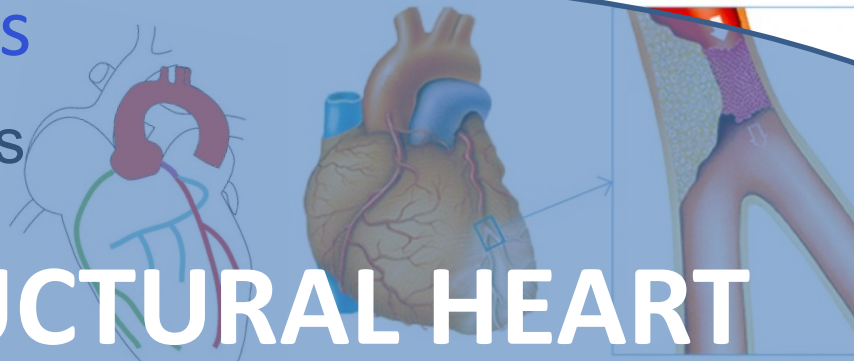


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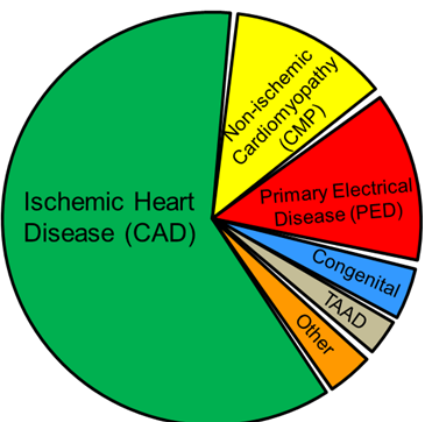
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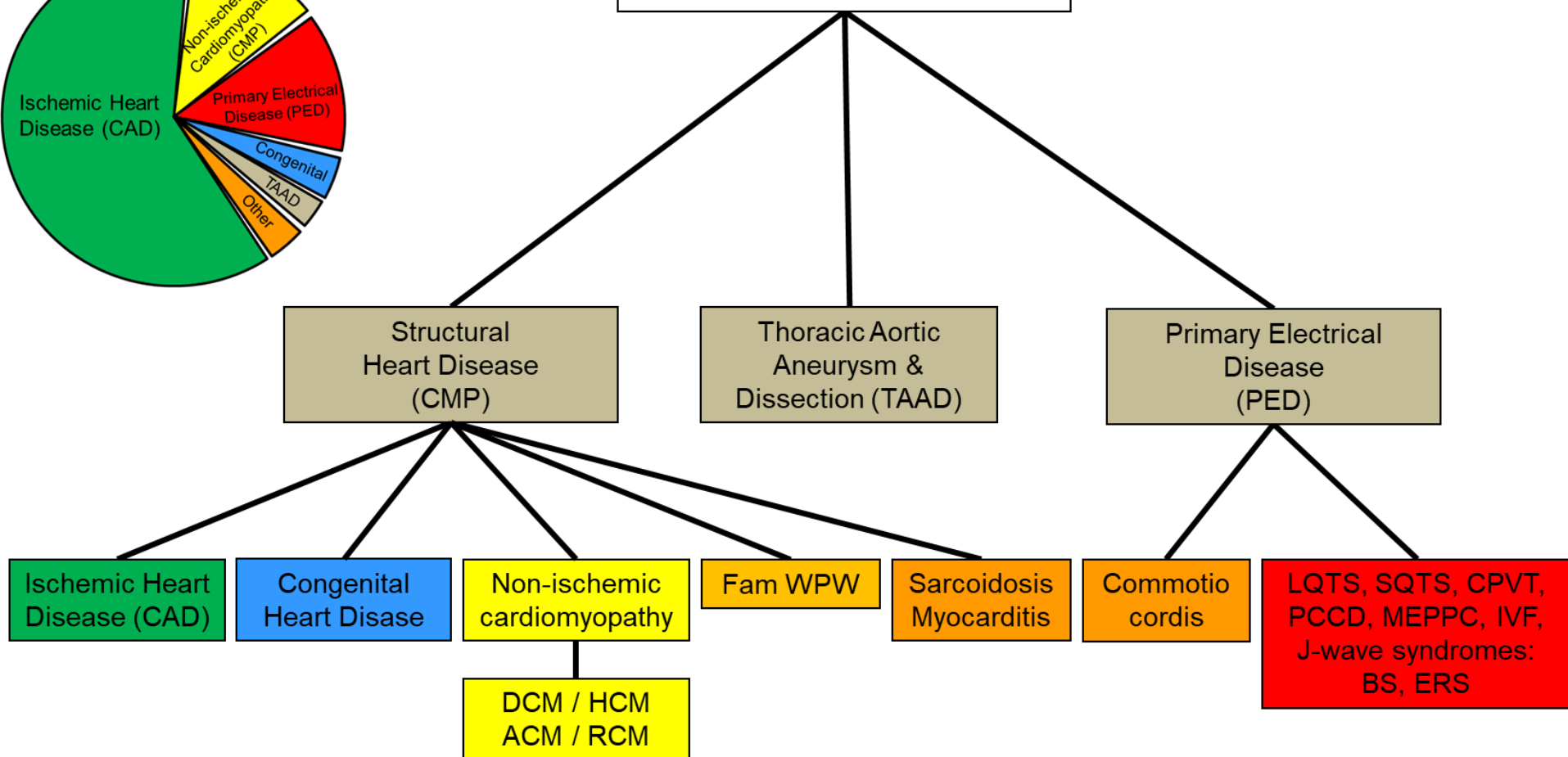
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Sudden Cardiac Death



Structural disease

Non-structural disease



4. Structural heart disease



Structural heart disease

Congenital Heart Disease (CHD)

Acquired
Rarely hereditary

Coronary artery disease (CAD)

Acquired
Gene predisposition

Cardiomyopathy (CMP)

Hereditary
Acquired

- Hypertrophic CMP (HCM)
- Dilated CMP (DCM)
- Restrictive CMP (RCM)
- Arrhythmogenic CMP (ACM)
- Unclassified

Detectable changes in cardiac structure and/or function

Congenital Heart Disease



3% Mendelian single gene defect

5-15% Chromosomal defect

Atrial Septum Defect (ASD)

Ventricular Septal Defect (VSD)

Patent Ductus Arteriosus (PDA)

Ebstein malformation

Transposition of Great Vessels (TOGV)

Tetralogy of Fallot (TOF)

Pulmonary Atresia/Stenosis (PA/PS)

Tricuspid Atresia/Stenosis (TA/TS)

Truncus Arteriosus

Total Anomalous Pulmonary Venous Return (TAPVR)

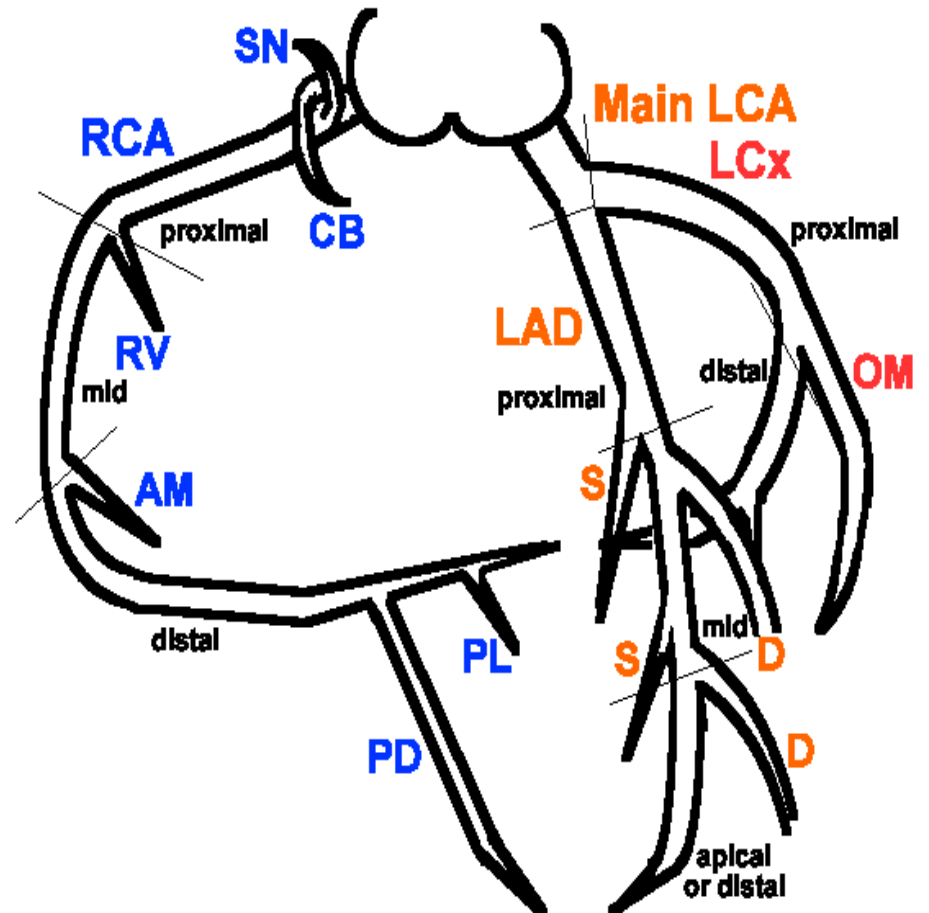
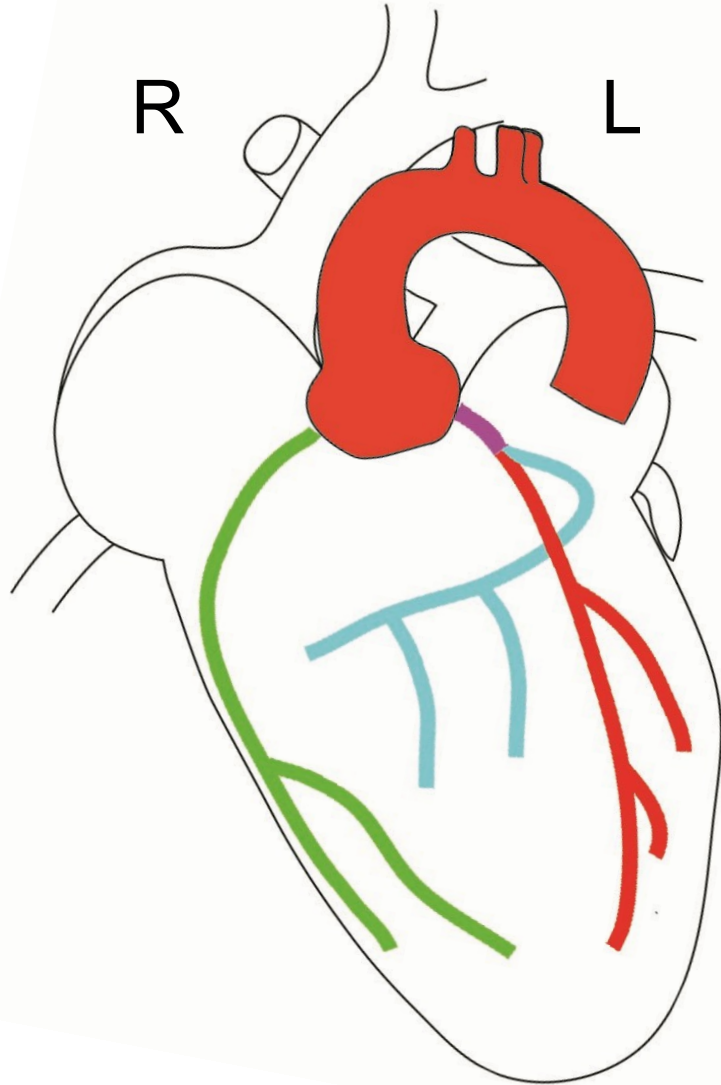
Double Outlet Right Ventricle

Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome (HLHS)

Aortic Arch Abnormalities

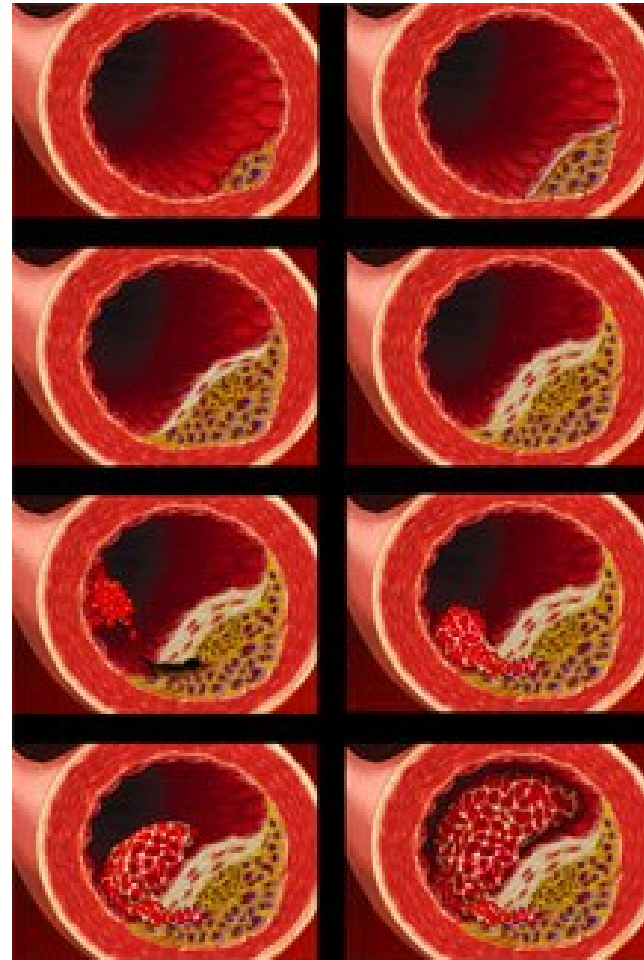
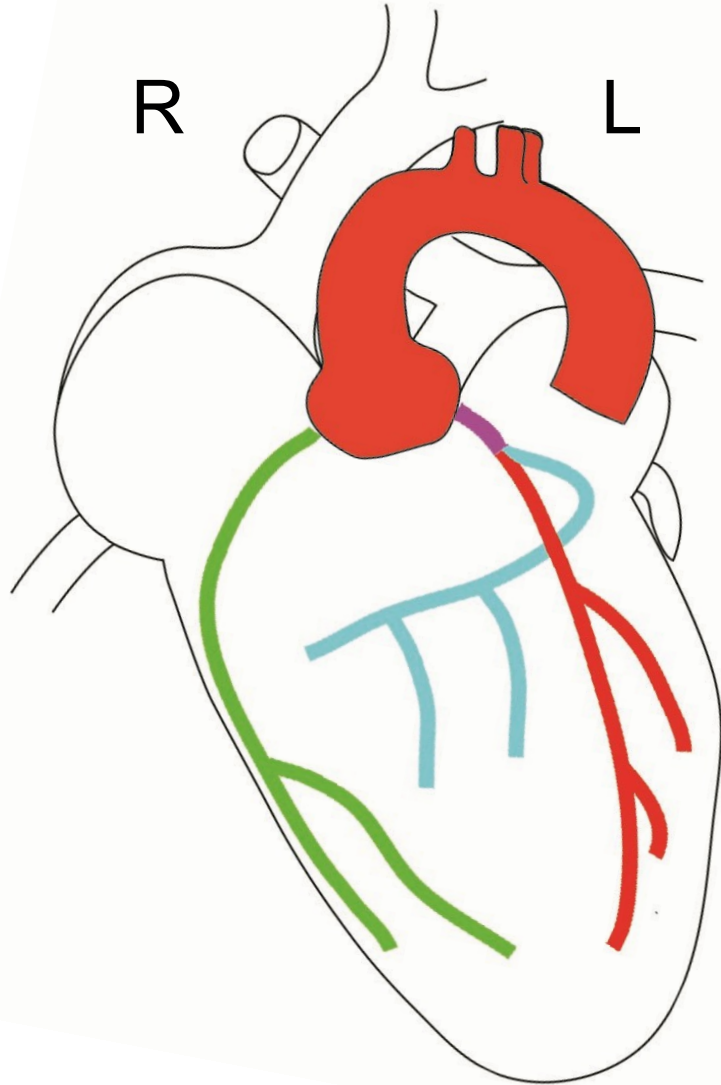


Coronary Artery Disease





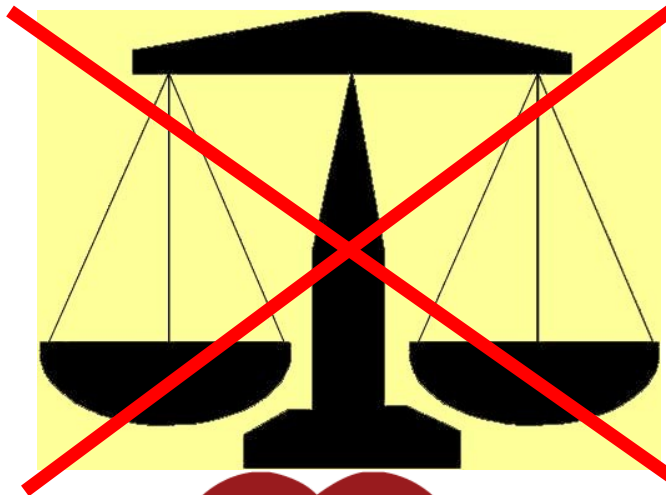
Coronary clogging due atheromatosis





Ischemia arises from oxygen mismatch

↓ Oxygen supply < Oxygen demand



Acute Myocardial Infarction



Sudden Cardiac Death



HEART FAILURE

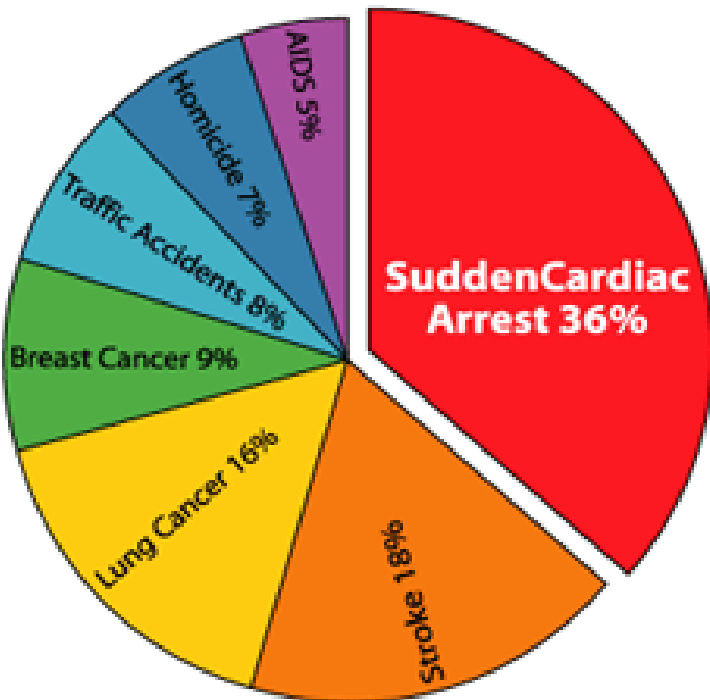
Pump failure
Dyspnoea, edema

Myocardial infarction



Sudden cardiac death is a leading cause of death
in the Western world

Estimated incidence of 1-2/1000/year
60-80% of SCD due to CAD



Sudden cardiac death 36%

Lung Cancer 16%

Stroke 16%

Breast Cancer 9%

Traffic accidents 9%



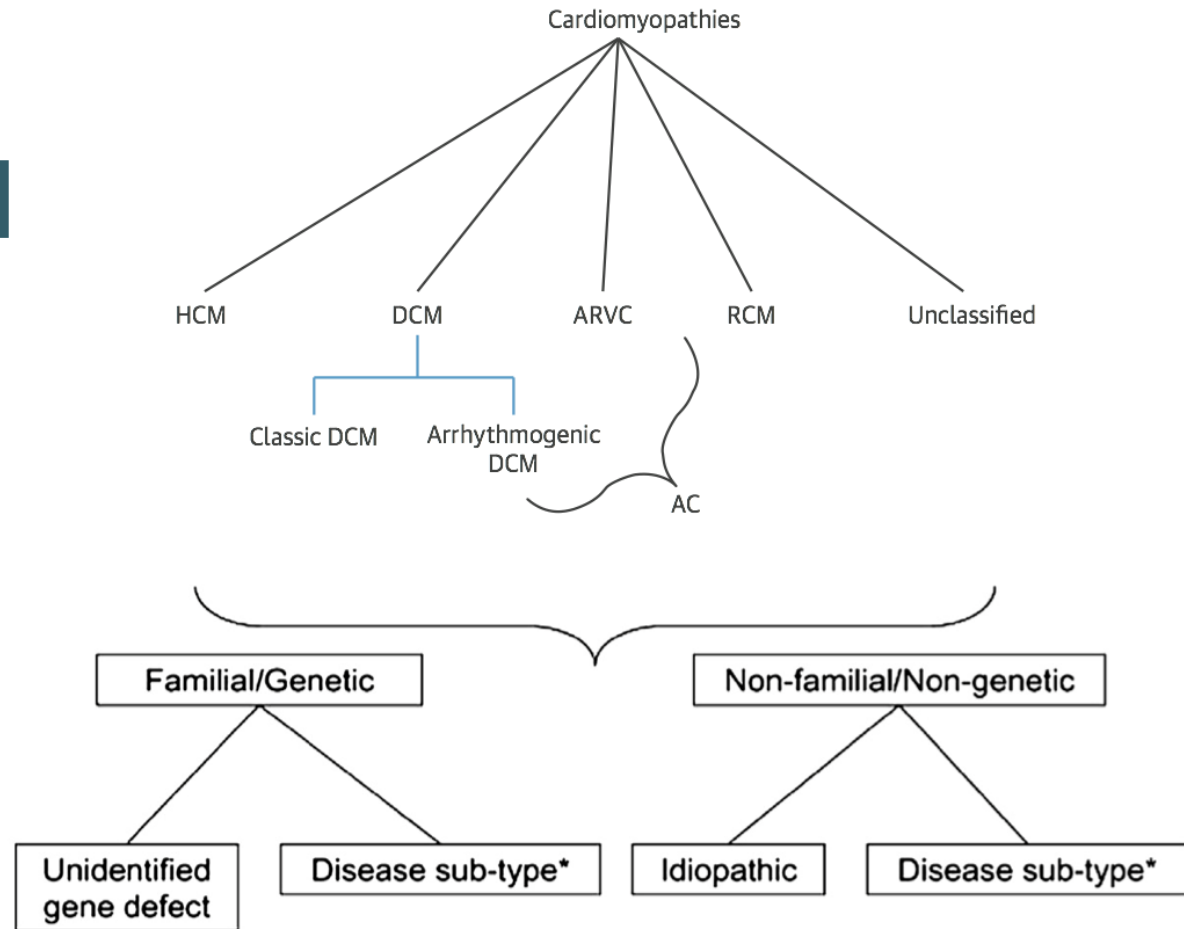
Non ischemic Cardiomyopathy



Morphological classification

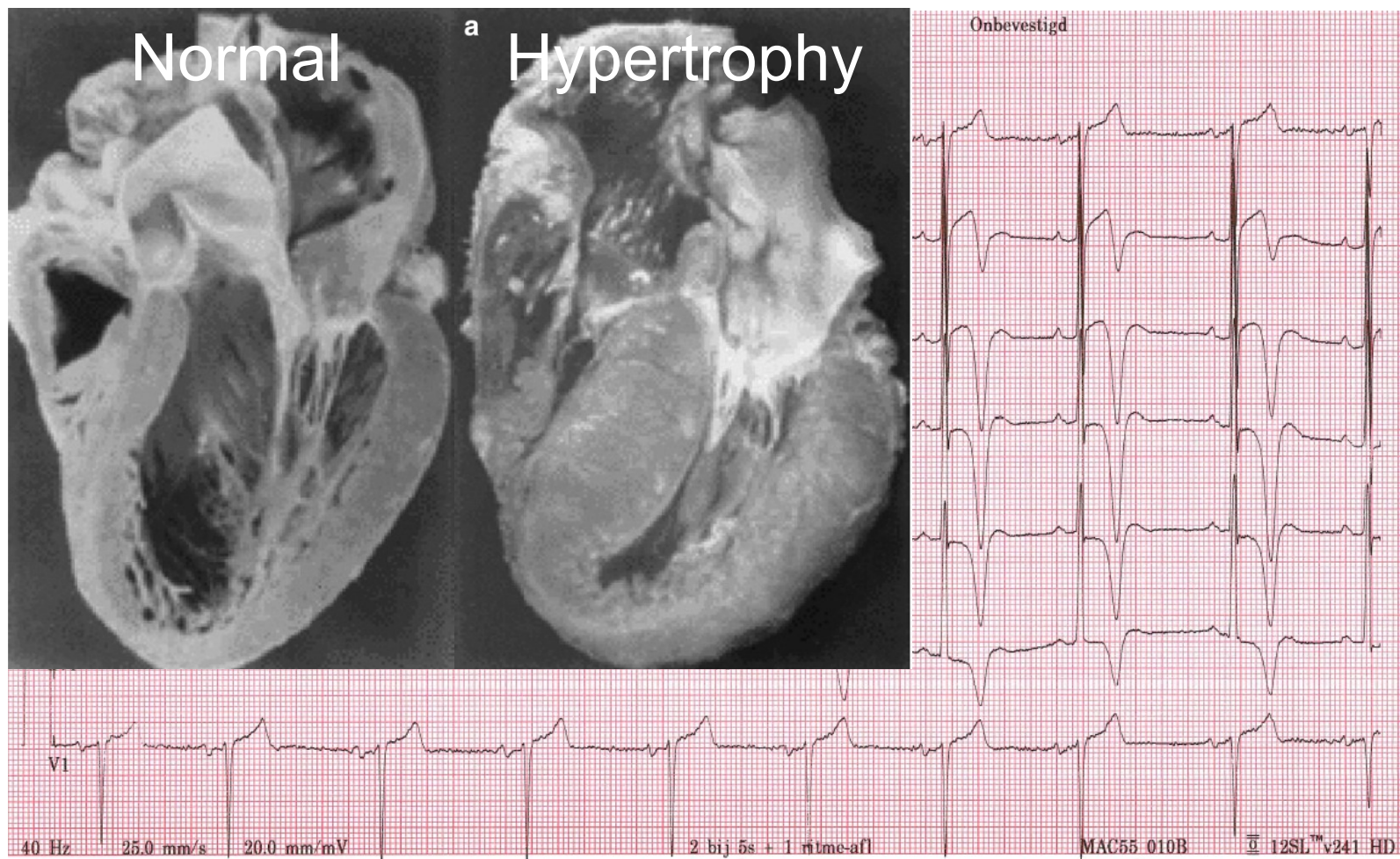


Genetic Classification





Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy - HCM



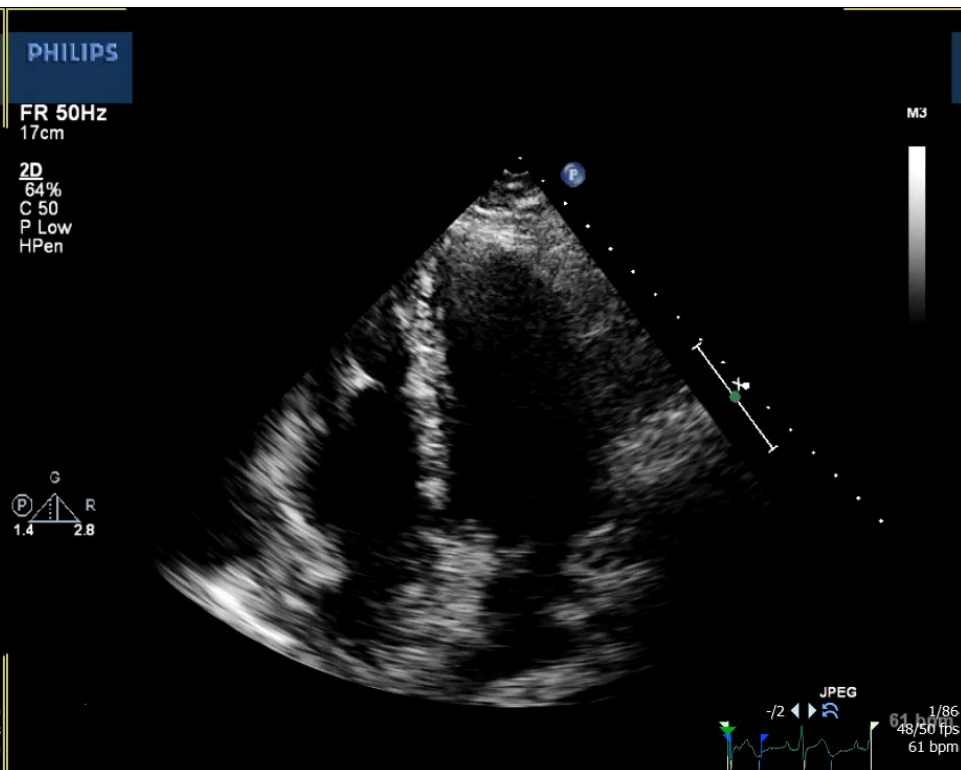
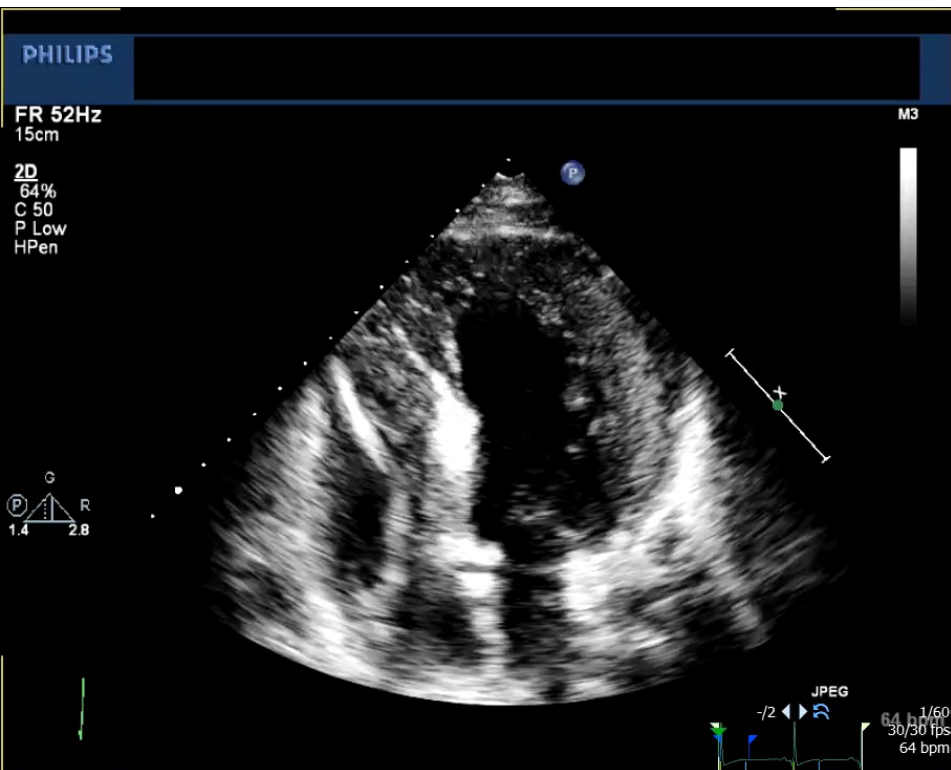
Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy - HCM

Hereditary HCM

Incidence = 1:250-500

HCM

NORMAL TTE



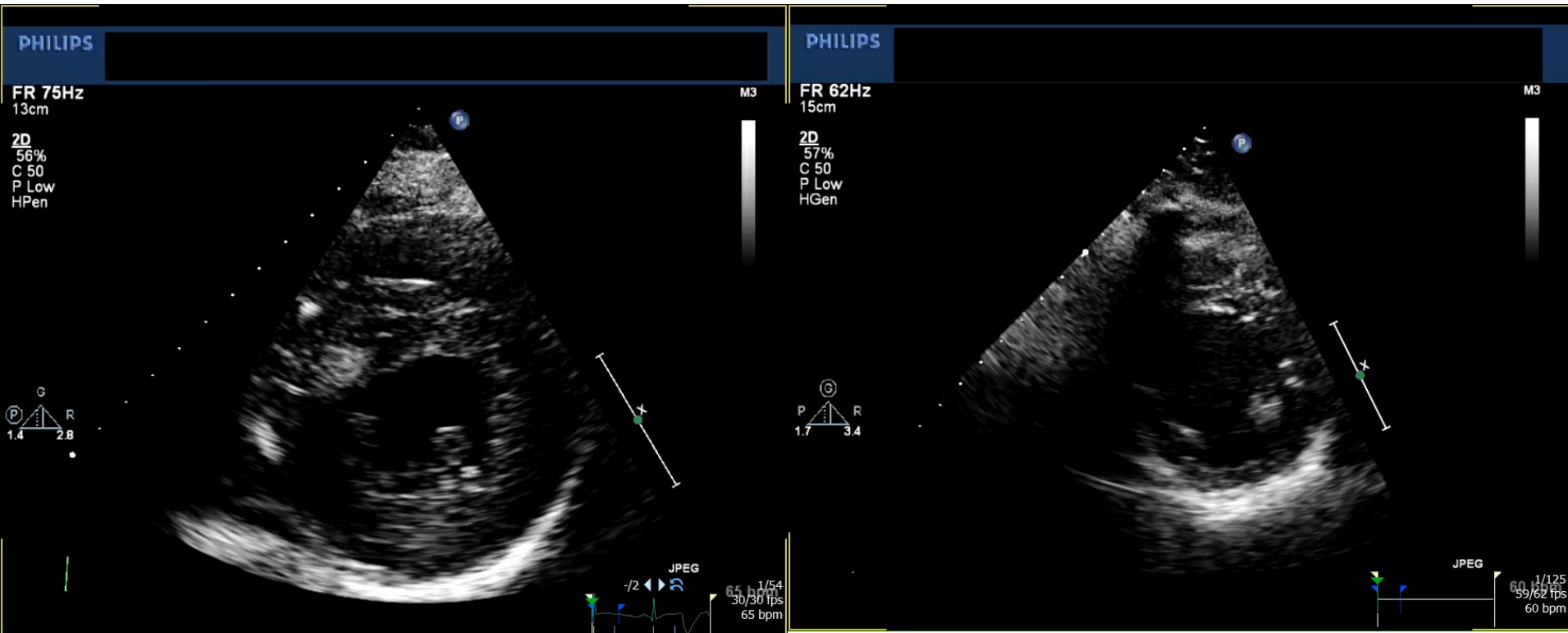
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Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy - HCM

Risk of sudden cardiac death during exercise

A genetic killer in the family

When Karen Falconer's brother collapsed, it was thought he'd had a heart attack. The cause was more sinister: a genetic condition that causes cardiac failure in the young. Suddenly, early deaths in previous generations began to make sense

Karen Falconer | Tuesday 18 March 2014 | 0 comments



Surviving sudden cardiac arrest: One teen athlete's story



Tim Nicot dead: Second Belgian footballer dies from cardiac arrest less than two weeks after death of Gregory Mertens

Sacramento youth basketball community shaken by on-court death of Elk Grove boy



Non ischemic cardiomyopathies

*Athletes' heart = Adaptive wall thickening
not associated with SCD*

HCM

+

Asymmetric LVH

+

LVEDD <45mm

-

LVEDD >55mm

+

LA enlargement

+

Diastolic dysfunction

+

Bizarre ECG changes

+

Female sex

+

Family history

+

LVH regression
upon deconditioning

-

Peak O₂ consumption
>50ml/kg/min

+

Typical histology

+

Positive genetic testing

-

Electromechanical
dyssynchrony

-

-

+

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Athlete's
heart

Dilated cardiomyopathy - DCM

Often acquired

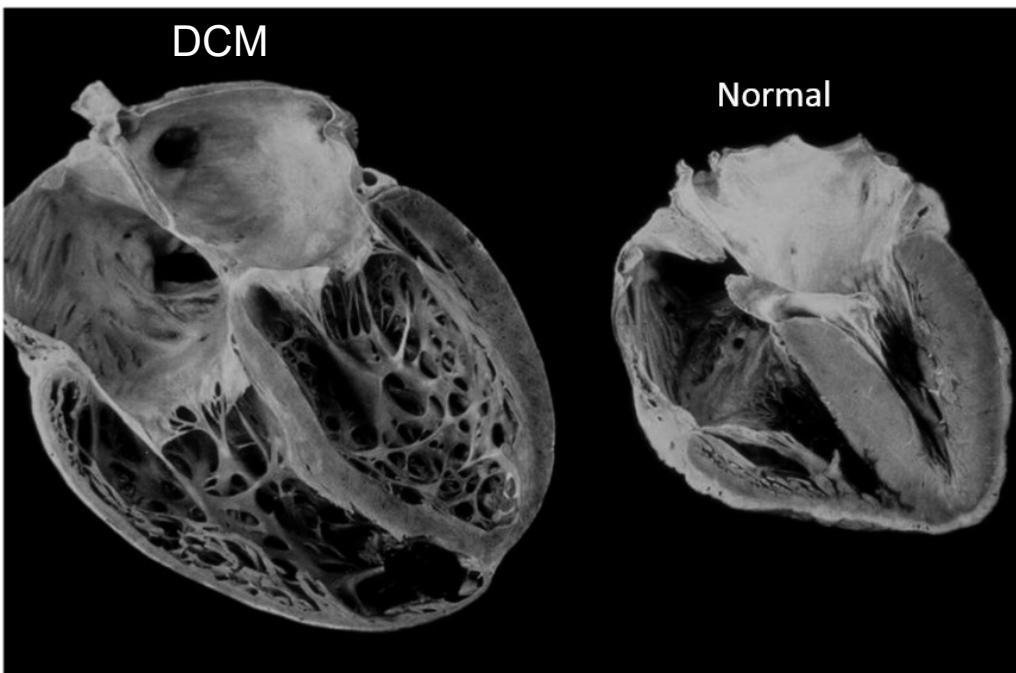
Ischemic

Toxic: ethyl, cocaine, amfetamines, anthracyclin chemotherapy

Viral: HIV, myocarditis

Tachycardiomyopathy

Unknown origin



Think hereditary DCM:

Early onset

AV-block

SCD

Relatives affected

Non ischemic cardiomyopathies

Dilated cardiomyopathy - DCM

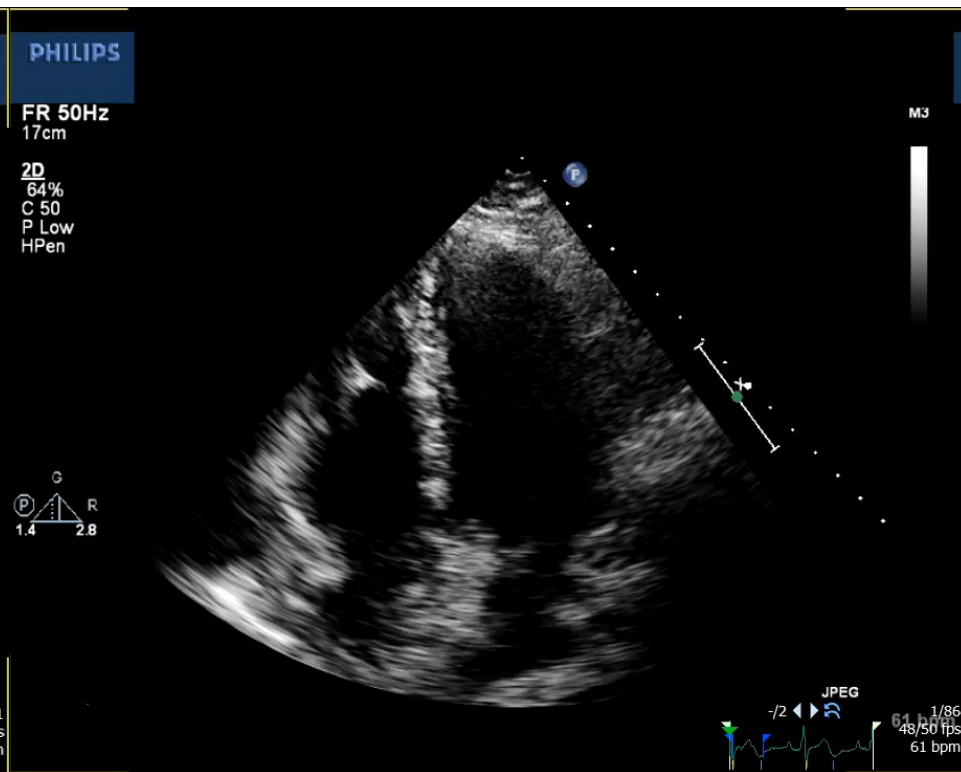


DCM and reduced pump function = Risk for SCD

DCM



NORMAL TTE



Non ischemic cardiomyopathies

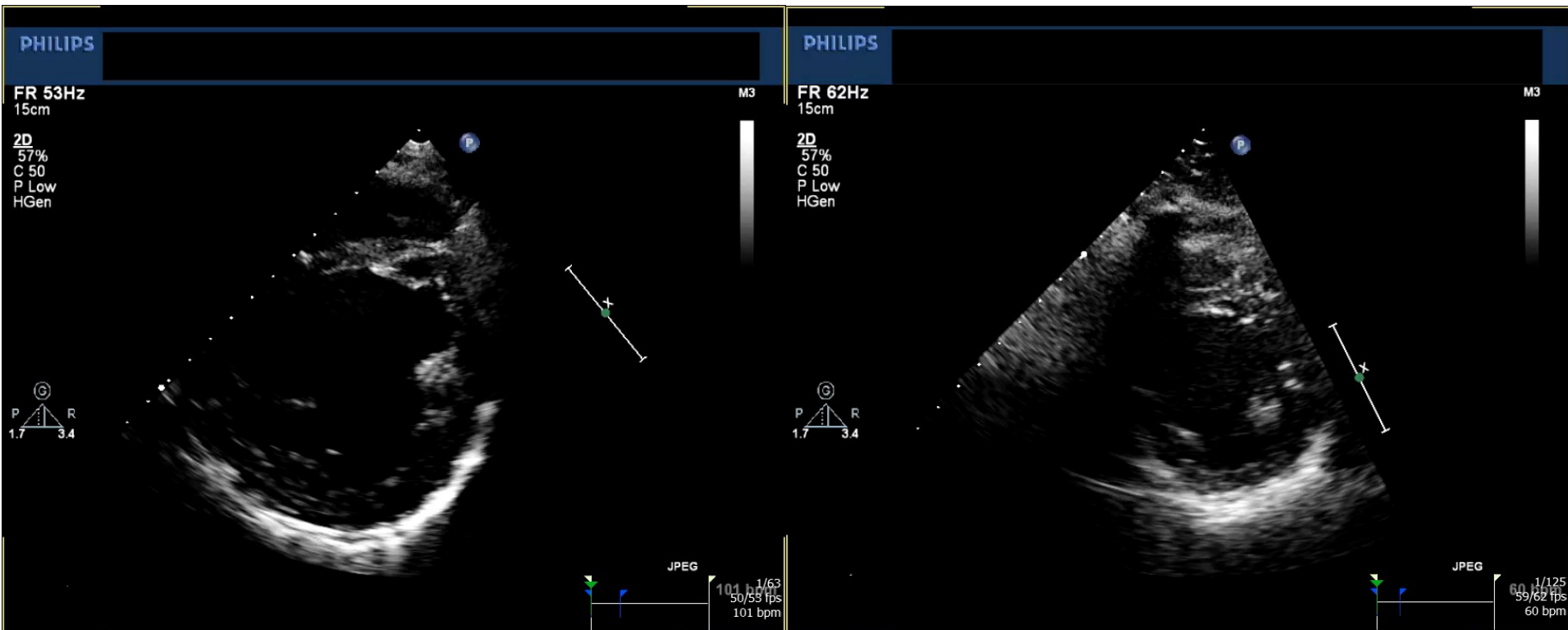
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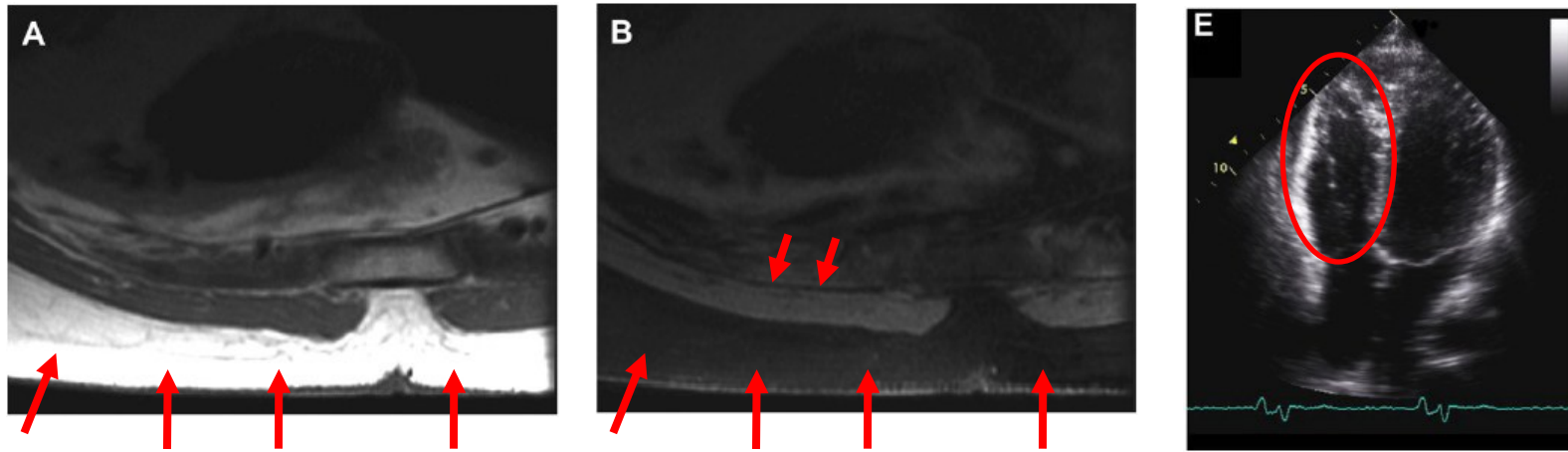
NORMAL TTE





Arrhythmogenic Cardiomyopathy – ACM

Fibrofatty replacement of the cardiac wall
Progressive disease exacerbated by exercise



Ellinor et al. Heart Failure Clin. 2010;6:161-177

Clinical features

- Asymptomatic phase
- Arrhythmogenic phase: no detectable structural abnormalities
- Right ventricular heart failure
- **30% of SCD in athletes**



Arrhythmogenic Cardiomyopathy – ACM

1994 Task force criteria 2010 Task force criteria

1994 Task Force Criteria	
2 major, 1 major + 2 minor, or 4 minor	
I. Global/regional dysfunction/structural alterations	
Major	- Severe dilatation and reduction of RVEF w/o (or only mild) LV impairment - Localized RV aneurysms (akinetic or dyskinetic areas w/diastolic bulging) - Severe segmental dilatation of the RV
Minor	- Mild global RV dilatation and/or EF reduction w/ normal LV - Mild segmental dilatation of the RV - Regional RV hypokinesia
II. Tissue characterization of wall	
Major	Fibrofatty replacement of myocardium on endomyocardial biopsy
Minor	
III. Repolarization abnormalities	
Major	
Minor	TWI in right precordial leads (V_2 and V_3) (people age >12 yrs, in absence of RBBB)
IV. Depolarization/conduction abnormalities	
Major	Epsilon waves or localized prolongation (>110ms) of QRS complex in right precordial leads (V_1 to V_3)
Minor	late potentials (SAECG)
V. Arrhythmias	
Major	
Minor	- LBBB sustained or NSVT (ECG, Holter, ETT) >1000 ventricular extrasystoles per 24 hours (Holter)
VI. Family History	
Major	Familial disease confirmed at necropsy or surgery
Minor	- Fam hx of SD (<35yrs) due to suspected ARVC/D - Familial hx (clinical dx based on present criteria)

2010 Task Force Criteria	
Definite = 2 major OR 1 major + 2 minor Borderline = 1 major + 1 minor OR 3 minor Possible = 1 major OR 2 minor	
By 2D Echo	
- Regional RV akinesia, dyskinesia, or aneurysm - and 1 of the following (end diastole): - PLAX RVOT ≥ 32 mm (correct for body size [PLAX/BSA] ≥ 19 mm/m²) - PSAX RVOT ≥ 36 mm (correct for body size [PSAX/BSA] ≥ 21 mm/m²) - or fractional area change $\leq 33\%$	
By MRI:	
- Regional RV akinesia or dyskinesia or dyssynchronous RV contraction - and 1 of the following: - Ratio of RV end-diast vol to BSA ≥ 110 mL/m² (male) or ≥ 100 mL/m² (female) - or RV ejection fraction $\leq 40\%$	
By RV Angiography:	
Regional RV akinesia, dyskinesia, or aneurysm	
By 2D Echo:	
- Regional RV akinesia or dyskinesia - and 1 of the following (end diastole): - PLAX RVOT ≥ 29 to <32 mm (correct body size PLAX/BSA ≥ 16 to <19 mm/m²) - PSAX RVOT ≥ 32 to <36 mm (correct body size [PSAX/BSA] ≥ 18 to <21 mm/m²) - or fractional area change $>33\%$ to $\leq 40\%$	
By MRI:	
- Regional RV akinesia or dyskinesia or dyssynchronous RV contraction - and 1 of the following: - Ratio of RV EDV to BSA ≥ 100 to <110 mL/m² (male) or ≥ 90 to <100 mL/m² (fem) - or RV EF $>40\%$ to $\leq 45\%$	
Residual myocytes $< 60\%$ by morphometric analysis (or $<50\%$ if estimated), w/fibrosis replacement of RV free wall myocardium in ≥ 1 sample, w/ or w/o fatty replacement of tissue on endomyocardial biopsy	
Residual myocytes 60% to 75% by morphometric analysis (or 50% to 60% if est.) w/fibrous replacement of the RV free wall in ≥ 1 sample, w/ or w/o fatty replacement of tissue on endomyocardial biopsy	
- TWI (V_1, V_2, V_3) or beyond: >14 yrs; in absence of complete RBBB QRS ≥ 120 ms - TWI in V_1 and V_2: >14 yrs; in absence of complete RBBB or in V_4, or V_6 - TWI in V_1, V_2, or V_4: >14 yrs; in presence of complete RBBB	
Epsilon wave (reproducible low-amp signals b/n end of QRS complex to onset of T wave) in right precordial leads (V_1-V_3)	
- LP by SAECG in ≥ 1 of 3 parameters in absence of QRS duration of ≥ 110ms on ECG - Filtered QRS duration (QRS) ≥ 114ms - Duration of terminal QRS $<40\mu V$ (LAS duration) ≥ 38ms - RMS voltage of terminal 40 ms $<20\mu V$ - TAD of QRS ≥ 55ms measured from nadir of S wave to end of QRS, including R', in V_1, V_2, or V_4 in absence of complete RBBB	
- LBS NSVT or sustained VT (neg or indet QRS in II, III, and aVF and pos in aVL, aVF and neg in aVL) or of unknown axis >500 ventricular extrasystoles per 24 hours (Holter)	
- ARVC/D confirmed in FDR who meets TFC - ARVC/D confirmed pathologically at autopsy or surgery in FDR - Pathogenic mutation (assoc or probably assoc w/ ARVC/D) in pt under eval	
- Hx of ARVC in FDR in whom not poss or pract to determine if TFC meets TFC - Premature SD (<35 yrs) due to suspected ARVC/D in FDR - ARVC/D confirmed pathologically or by current TFC in 2ndDR	

Minor and major criteria

Probability of diagnosis:

'Possible' diagnosis

'Borderline' diagnosis

'Definite' diagnosis

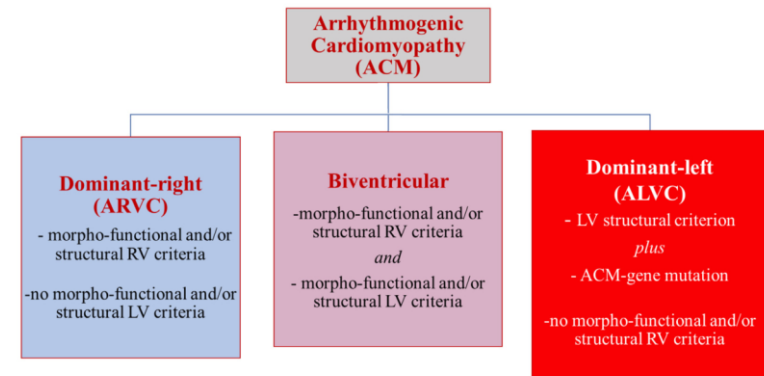


Arrhythmogenic Cardiomyopathy – ACM

2020 Proposed Padua criteria

"Padua criteria" for diagnosis of Arrhythmogenic Cardiomyopathy.

Category	Right ventricle (upgraded 2010 ITF diagnostic criteria)	Left ventricle (new diagnostic criteria)
I. Morpho-functional ventricular abnormalities	<i>By echocardiography, CMR or angiography:</i> Major - Regional RV akinesia, dyskinesia, or bulging <i>plus</i> one of the following: - global RV dilatation (increase of RV EDV according to the imaging test specific nomograms) - global RV systolic dysfunction (reduction of RV EF according to the imaging test specific nomograms) Minor - Regional RV akinesia, dyskinesia or aneurysm of RV free wall	<i>By echocardiography, CMR or angiography:</i> Minor - Global LV systolic dysfunction (depression of LV EF or reduction of echocardiographic global longitudinal strain), with or without LV dilatation (increase of LV EDV according to the imaging test specific nomograms for age, sex, and BSA) - Regional LV hypokinesia or akinesia of LV free wall, septum, or both
II. Structural myocardial abnormalities	<i>By CE-CMR:</i> Major - Transmural LGE (stria pattern) of ≥ 1 RV region(s) (inlet, outlet, and apex in 2 orthogonal views) <i>By EMB (limited indications):</i> Major - Fibrous replacement of the myocardium in ≥ 1 sample, with or without fatty tissue	<i>By CE-CMR:</i> Major LV LGE (stria pattern) on midwall's Eye segment(s) (in 2 orthogonal views) of the LV wall (subendocardial or midmyocardial), septum, or both (excluding septal junctional LGE)
III. Repolarization abnormalities	Major - Inverted T waves in right precordial leads (V_1, V_2, and V_3) on day 1 in individuals with complete pubertal development (in the absence of complete RBBB) Minor - Inverted T waves in leads V1 and V2 in individuals with completed pubertal development (in the absence of complete RBBB) - Inverted T waves in V1, V2, V3 and V4 in individuals with completed pubertal development in the presence of complete RBBB.	Minor Inverted T waves in left precordial leads (V_4-V_6) (in the absence of complete LBBB)
IV. Depolarization abnormalities	Minor - Epsilon wave: reproducible low-amplitude signals between end of QRS complex and onset of the T wave in right precordial leads (V1 to V3) - Terminal activation duration of QRS ≥ 55 ms measured from the nadir of the epsilon wave to the end of the QRS, including R', in V1, V2, or V3 (in the absence of complete RBBB)	Minor Low QRS voltages (<0.5 mV peak to peak) in limb leads (in the absence of obesity, emphysema, or pericardial effusion)
V. Ventricular arrhythmias	Major - Frequent ventricular extrasystoles (>500 per 24 h), non-sustained or sustained ventricular tachycardia of LBBB morphology Minor - Frequent ventricular extrasystoles (>500 per 24 h), non-sustained or sustained ventricular tachycardia of LBBB morphology with inferior axis ("RVOT pattern")	Minor Frequent ventricular extrasystoles (>500 per 24 h), non-sustained or sustained ventricular tachycardia with a RBBB morphology (excluding the "fascicular pattern")
VI. Family history/genetics	Major - ACM confirmed in a first-degree relative who meets diagnostic criteria - ACM confirmed pathologically at autopsy or surgery in a first degree relative - Identification of a pathogenic or likely pathogenic ACM mutation in the patient under evaluation Minor - History of ACM in a first-degree relative in whom it is not possible or practical to determine whether the family member meets diagnostic criteria - Premature sudden death (<35 years of age) due to suspected ACM in a first-degree relative - ACM confirmed pathologically or by diagnostic criteria in a second-degree relative	



Super complex and probabilistic

'Is this the epsilon wave ?'

Not sensitive

Not useful in early disease

Not useful in forme fruste disease

Cannot be used to exclude ACM

ACM = arrhythmogenic cardiomyopathy; BSA = body surface area; EDV = end diastolic volume; EF = ejection fraction; ITF = International Task Force; LBBB = left bundle-branch block; LGE = late gadolinium enhancement; LV = left ventricle; RBBB = right bundle-branch block; RV = right ventricle; RVOT = right ventricular outflow tract.



Arrhythmogenic Cardiomyopathy – ACM

Non-dilated Left Ventricular Cardiomyopathy (NDLVC)

"DCM without LV dilation"

"ALVC or Left dominant ARVC"

"Arrhythmogenic DCM not
fulfilling ARVC criteria"

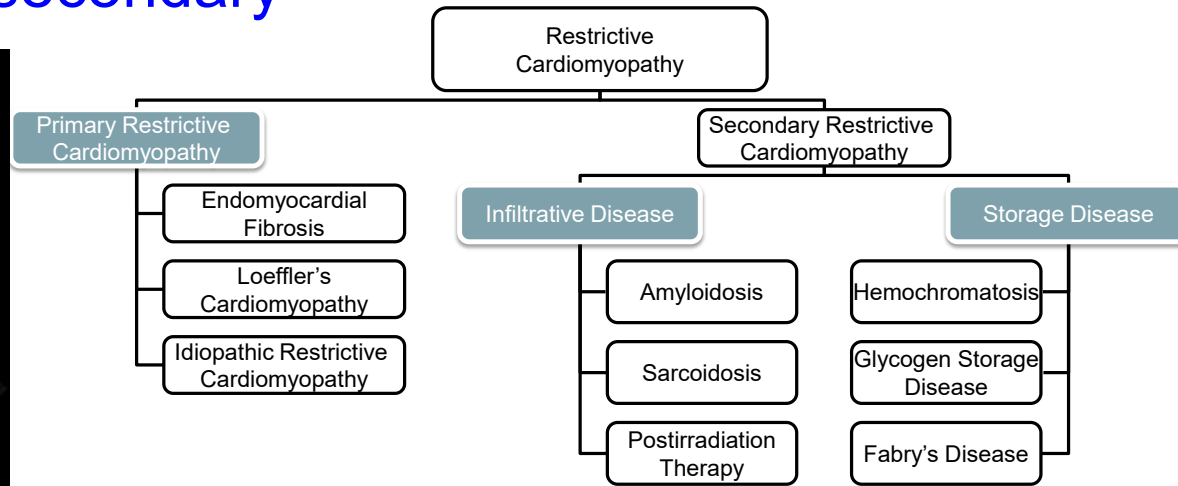
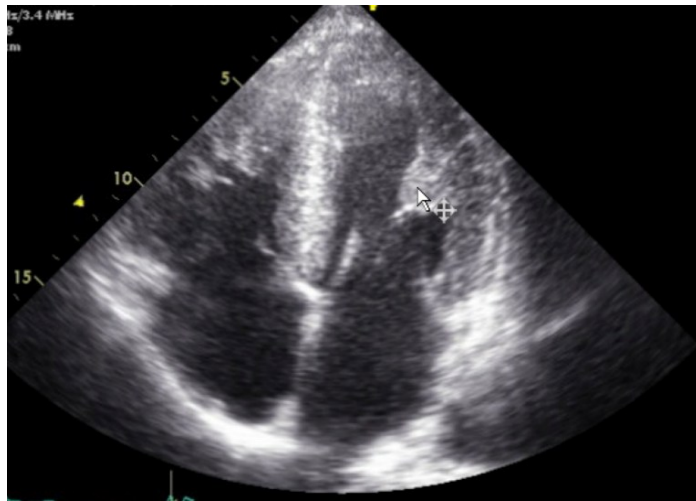
Arbelo et al. PMID: 37622657



Restrictive cardiomyopathy - RCM

Least common CMP (5% of all CMP)

Etiology: primary versus secondary



Clinical features

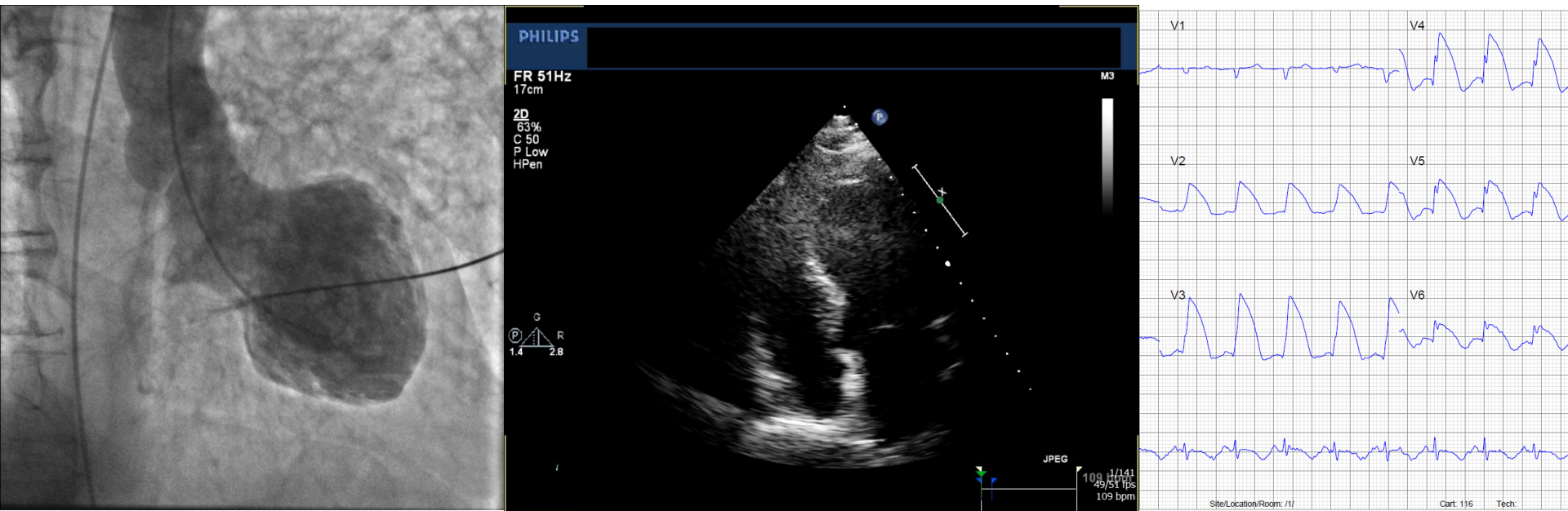
- Abnormal diastolic filling -> diastolic dysfunction
- Electro mechanical dissociation and conduction problems
- DD pericarditis constrictiva
- Atrial dilatation+++

Non ischemic cardiomyopathies

Unclassified



- Familial:
 - Left ventricular non compaction CMP (NCCM or LVNC)
- Acquired:
 - Takotsubo CMP





5. Electrical heart disease



5. Electrical disease - Arrhythmias

= Disruption of the normal impulse conduction

Too slow

Too fast

Loss of regularity

Abnormal origin/trajectory

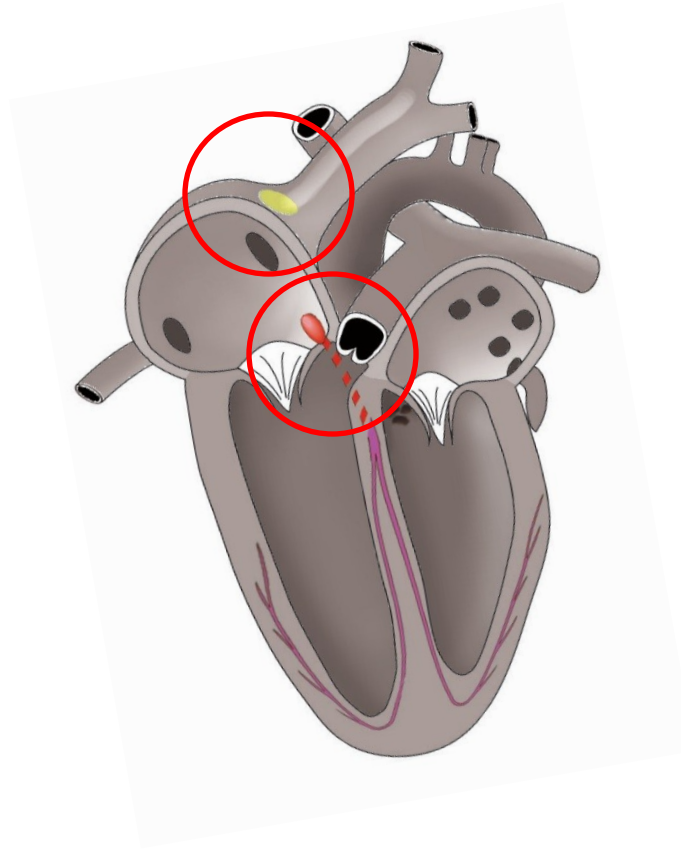


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Sinus node disease
AV nodal disease
Combination





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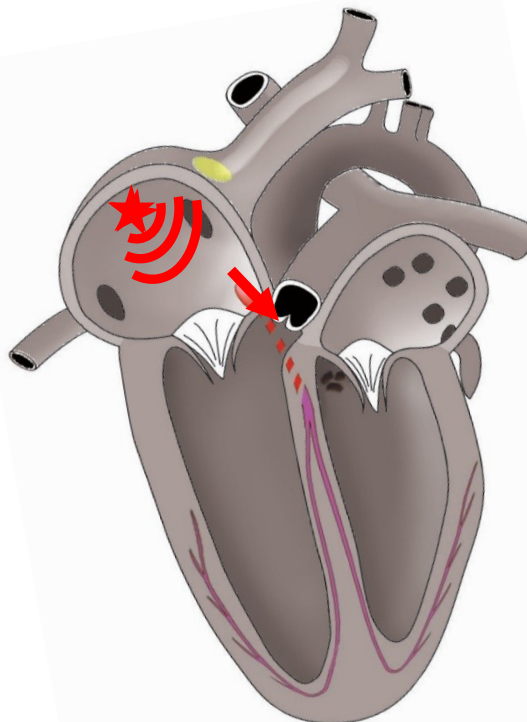
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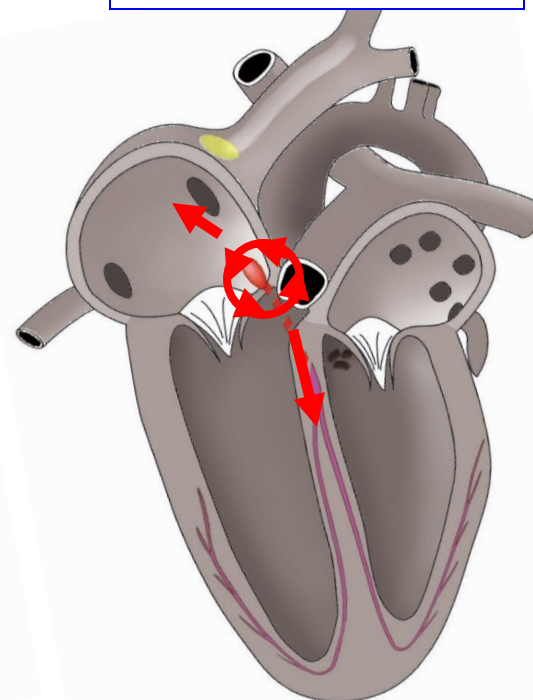
Too fast

SVT

Atrial tachycardia



AV nodal reentry tachycardia (AVNRT)





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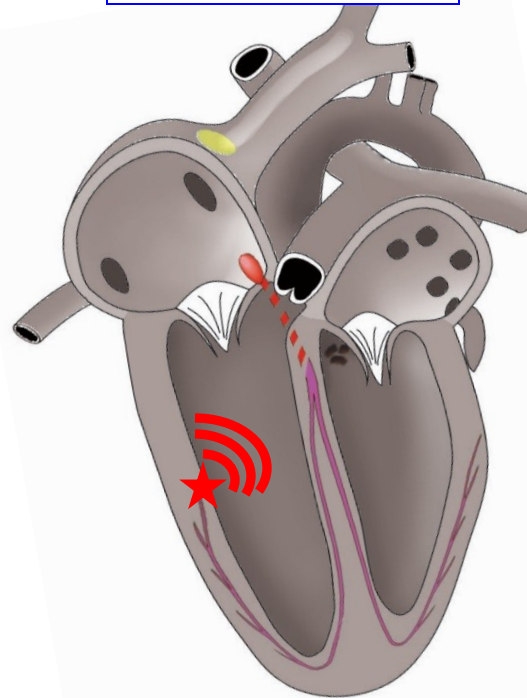
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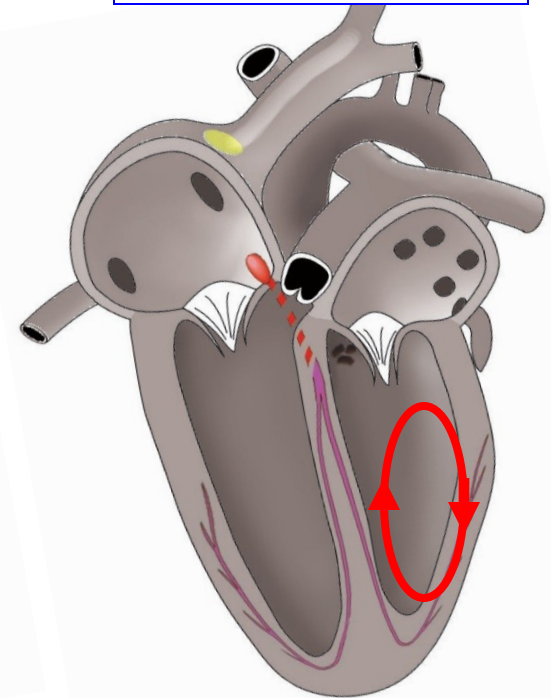
Too fast

SVT
VT

Focal ventricular
tachycardia



Reentrant ventricular
tachycardia





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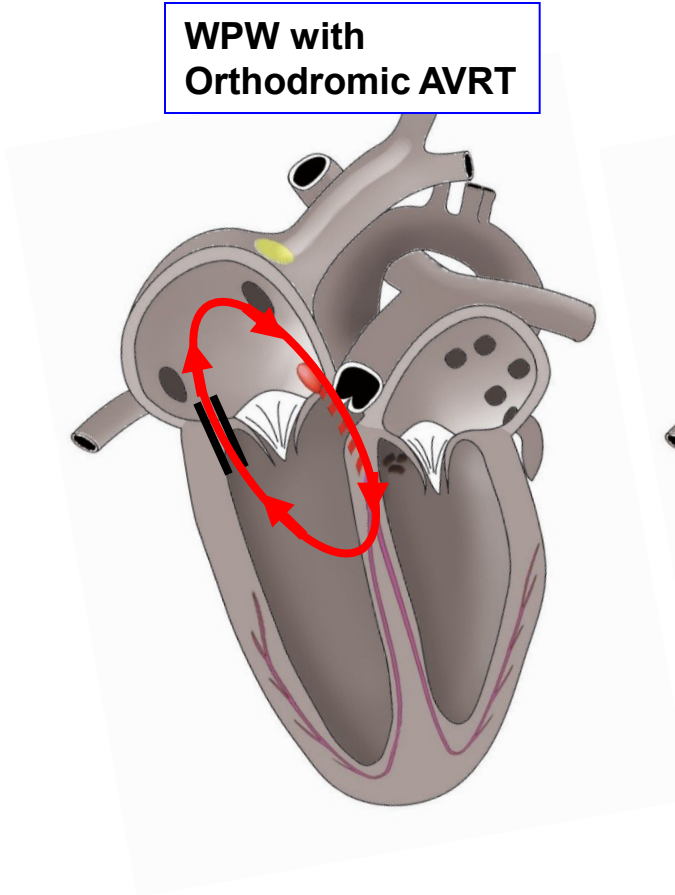
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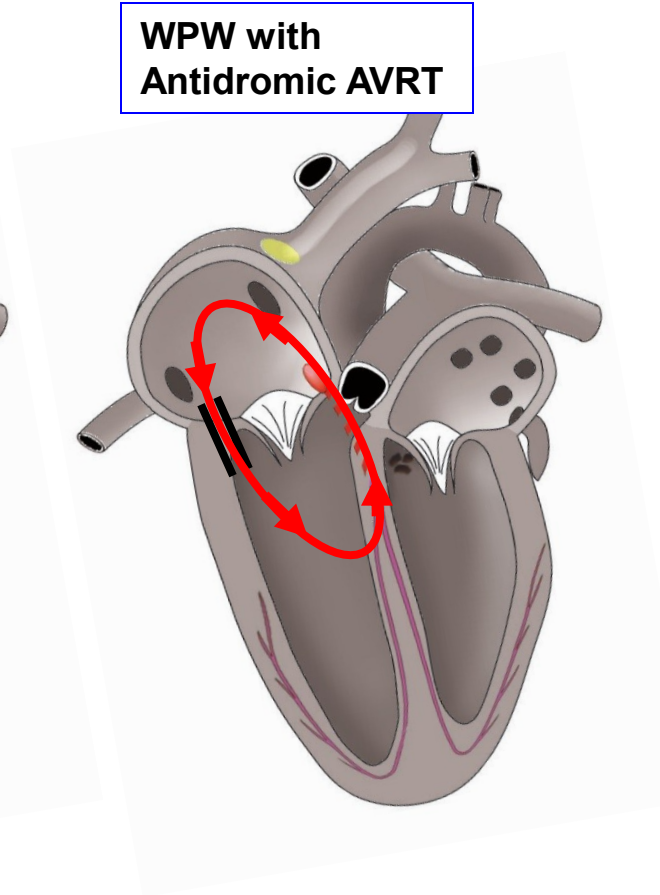
Too fast

SVT
VT
AVRT

WPW with
Orthodromic AVRT



WPW with
Antidromic AVRT





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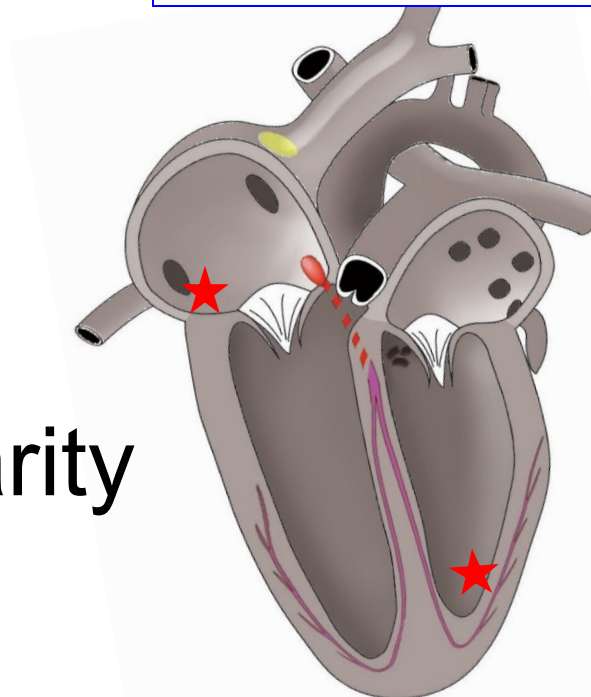
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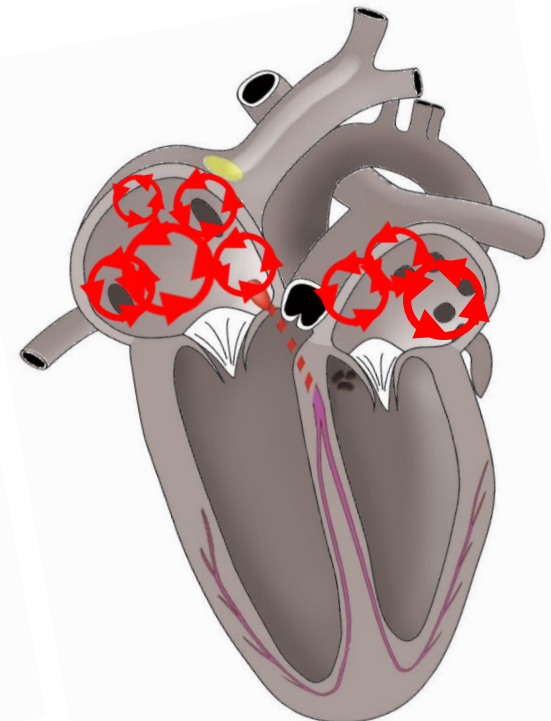
Loss of regularity

PAC's / PVC's
AF

Premature Atrial or
Ventricular Complexes



Atrial fibrillation





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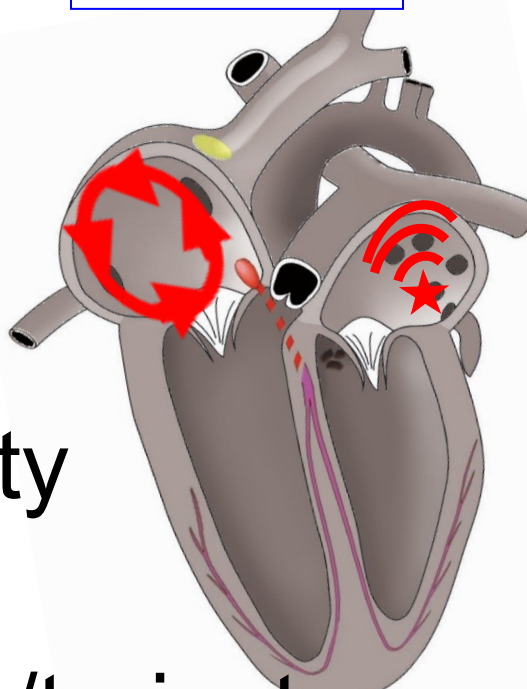
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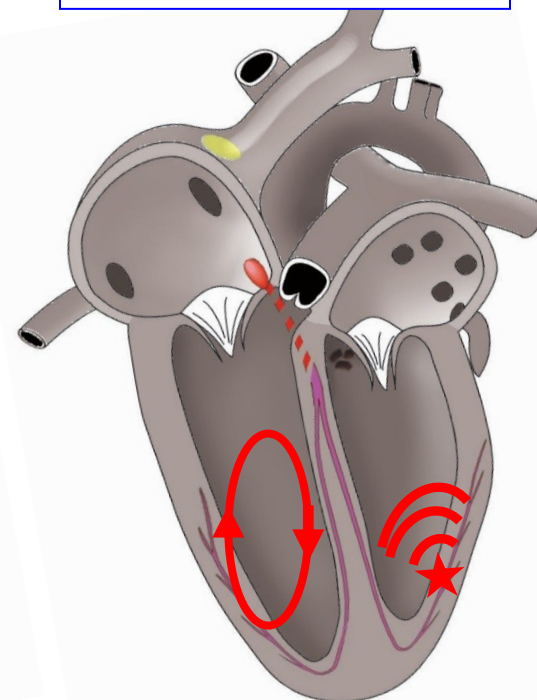
Abnormal origin/trajectory

PAC's, Atrial tachycardia, Atrial flutter
AVRT
PVC's, Ventricular tachycardia

PAC's, AT, Atrial
flutter



PVC's, ventricular
tachycardia



PED: LQTS, SQTS,
BrS, ERS, CPVT,
WPW, PCCD, IVF

Hereditary / Acquired / Both

Primary Electrical Diseases (PED):

Long QT Syndrome (LQTS)

Short QT Syndrome (SQTS)

Brugada Syndrome (BrS)

Early Repolarization Syndrome (ERS)

Catecholaminergic Polymorphic VT (CPVT)

Calcium Release Deficiency Syndrome (CRDS)

Wolf-Parkinson-White (WPW)

Progressive Cardiac Conduction Defect (PCCD)

Idiopathic VF (IVF)

Multifocal Ectopic Purkinje-Related Premature Contractions
(MEPPC)

Thanks for your attention !





Morphologic classification is problematic





Morphologic classification is problematic

Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy:

*"End-diastolic **wall thickening** $\geq 13\text{mm}$ in familial or $\geq 15\text{mm}$ in sporadic cases, and in the absence of abnormal loading conditions (hypertensive, valvular)"*



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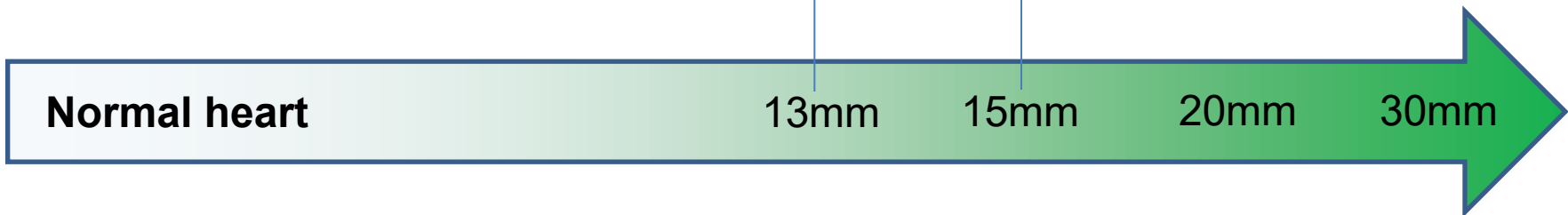
Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy:

Wall thickening on imaging

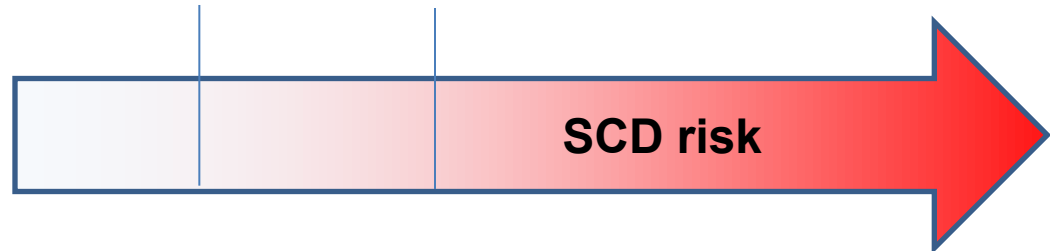
Current 'HCM' definition

'familial'

'sporadic'



Start risk stratification





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Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy:

Molecular disease of the sarcomere

Cellular hypertrophy

Cellular disarray

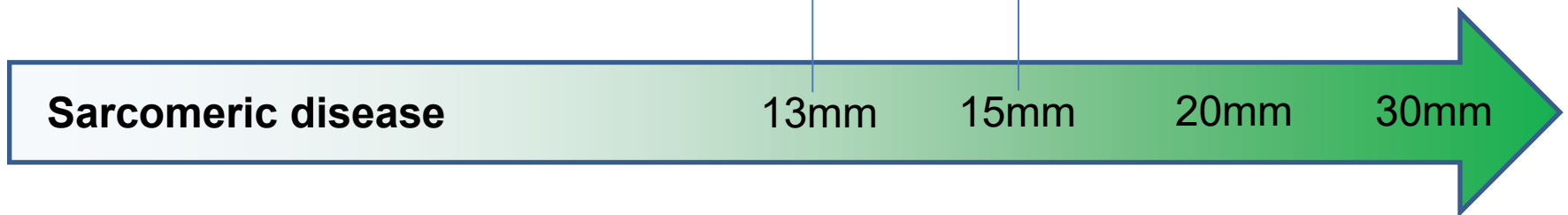
Interstitial fibrosis

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'HCM' without hypertrophy' ??

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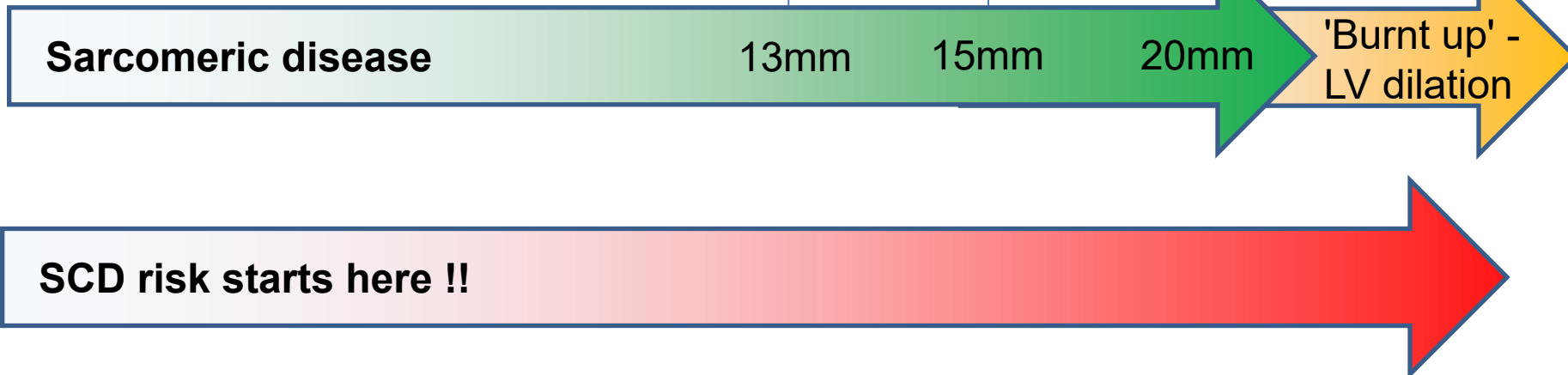
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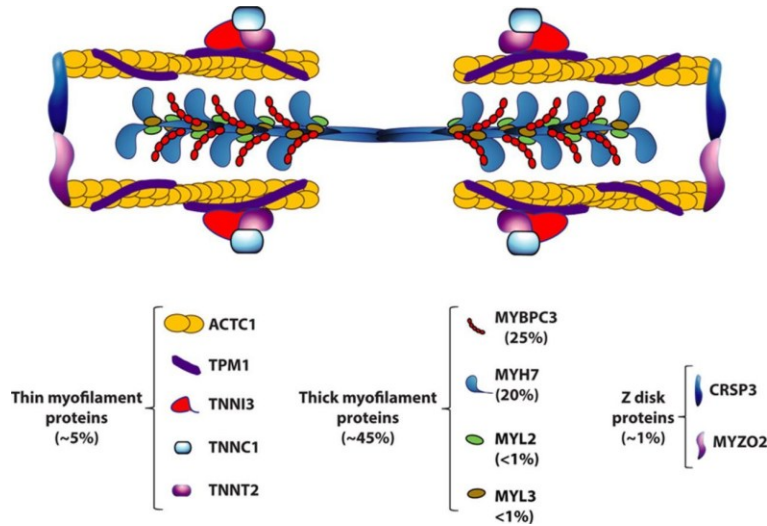


Morphologic classification is problematic

1. Molecular disease

Sarcomeric disease

Cellular hypertrophy
Cellular disarray
Interstitial fibrosis



2. Fenotype

Structural changes

Hypertrophy
Dilation
Restriction
Fibrosis

Electrical changes

Conduction disease
Dysrhythmia

3. Risk profile

Disease specific
Gene-specific
Mutation-specific

Family-specific

Follow-up

ILR
ICD