

# Ch13 – Cardiovascular System

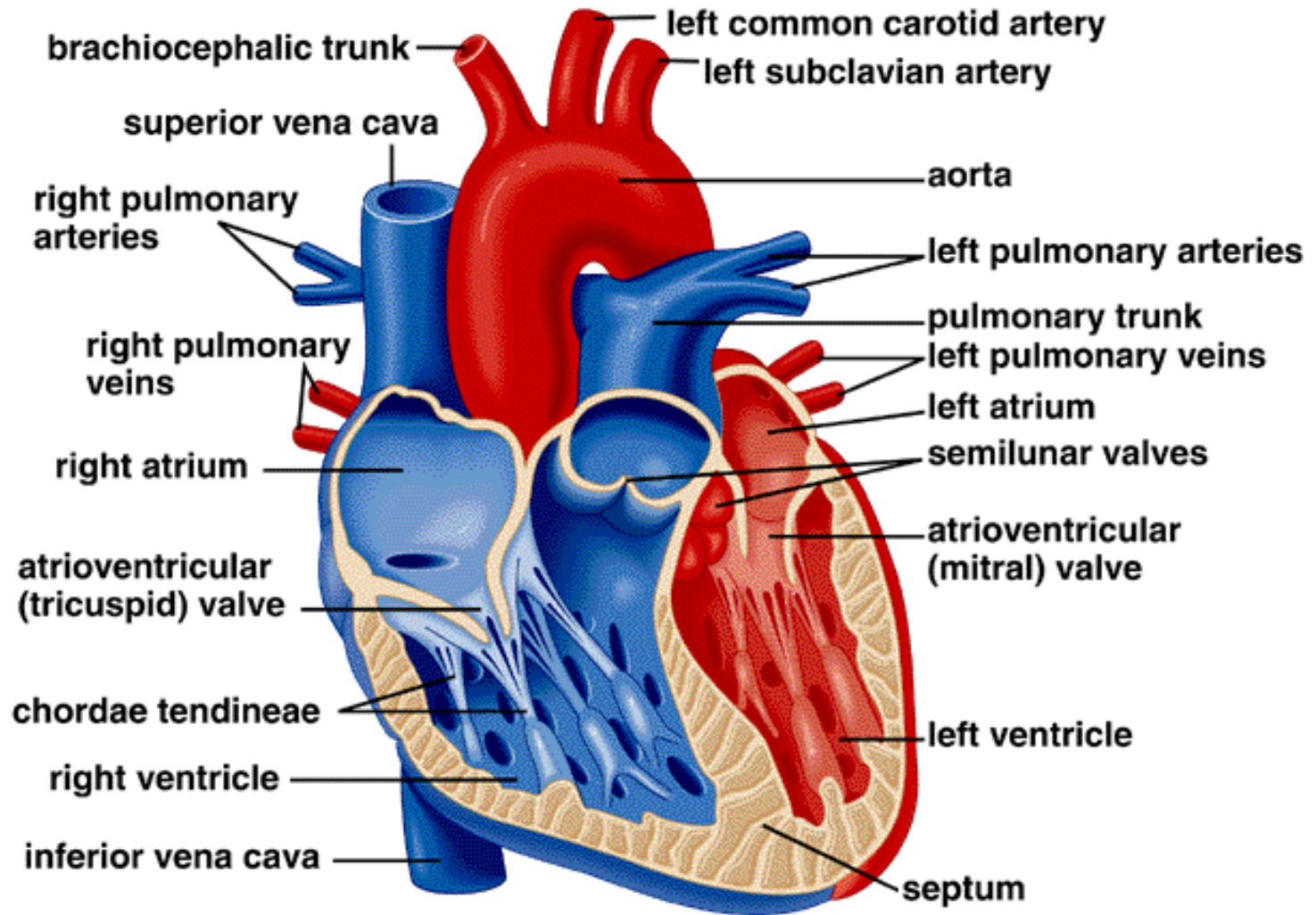
Cardiovascular system = circulatory system

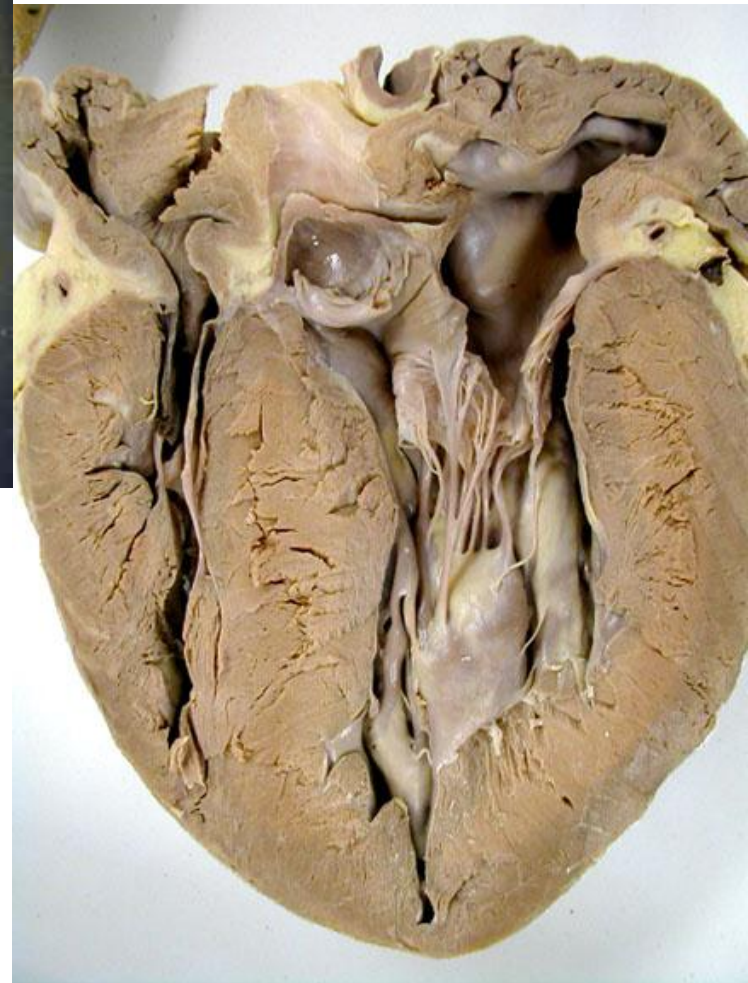
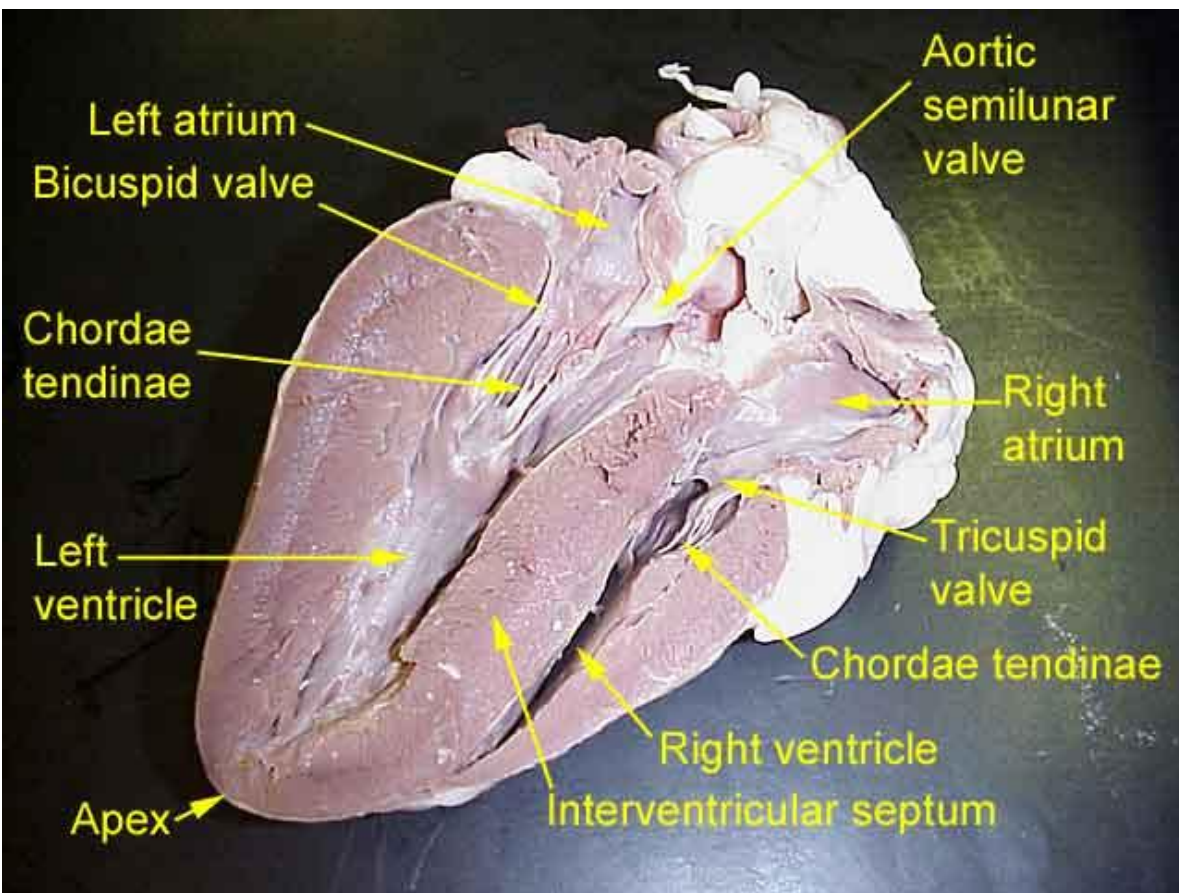
- Function: transportation to and from cells
- Structure: Heart, blood vessels, and blood

# Heart Anatomy

- Size: person's fist
- Location: within thorax and medial to lungs
- Parts:
  - Apex (pointed part of heart that rests on diaphragm)
  - Base (posterosuperior aspect of heart)
- Chambers:
  - Atria (atrium) – receiving chambers
  - Interatrial septum – separates atria
  - Ventricles – discharging, contracting chambers
  - Interventricular septum – separates ventricles

# Internal View of Heart





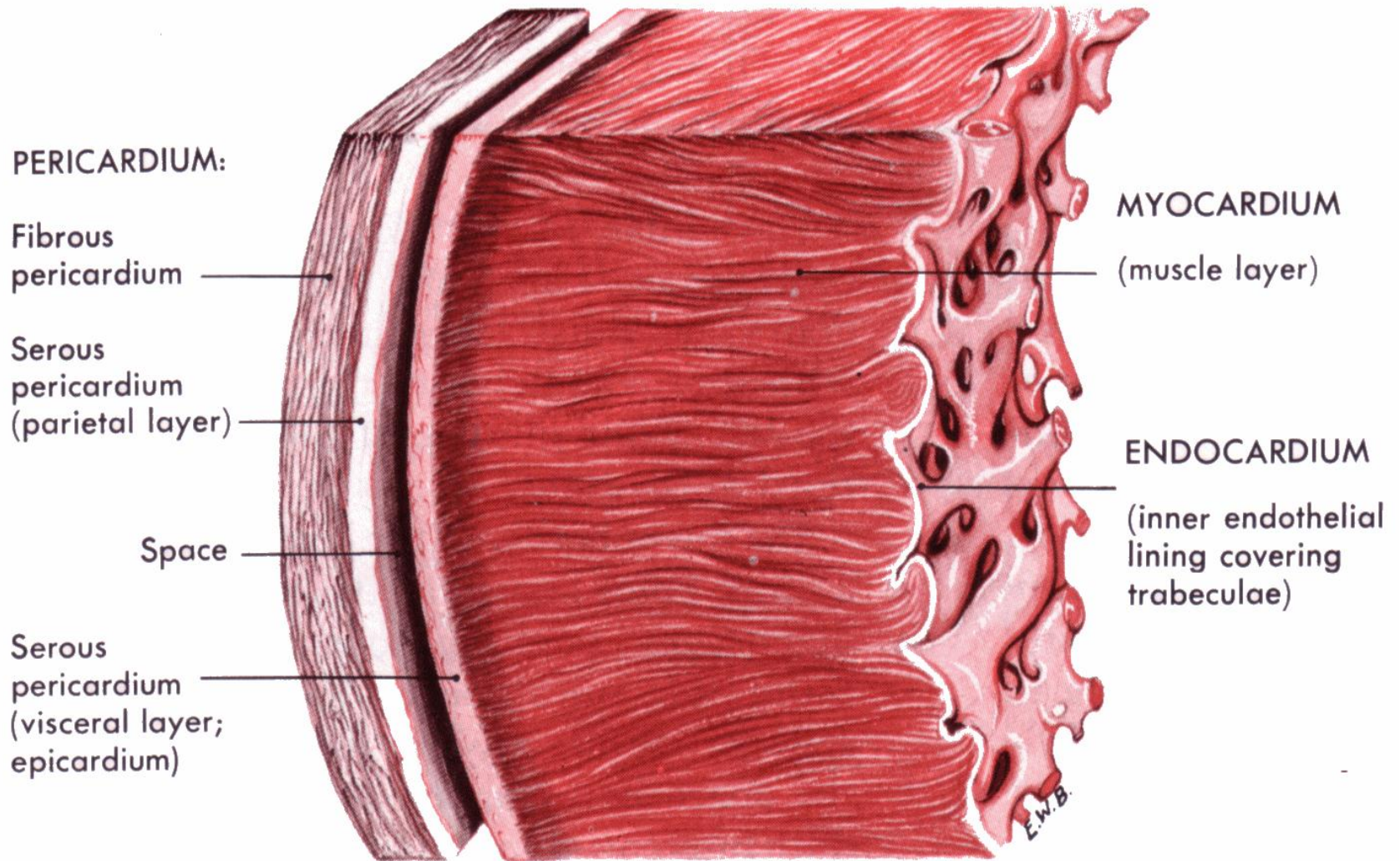
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- [How the heart works](#)
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- [Beating Heart](#)
- [Heart Bypass Surgery](#)

# Heart Anatomy

- Serous Membranes:
  - Visceral Pericardium (epicardium) – touches external surface of heart
  - Parietal Pericardium – attaches to surrounding cavity
- Heart Walls:
  - Epicardium – outer layer of heart
  - Myocardium – layer that is made up of muscle and contracts
  - Endocardium - inner layer that lines chambers of heart and is continuous with walls of blood vessels





Section of the heart wall showing the components of the outer pericardium (heart sac), muscle layer (myocardium), and inner lining (endocardium).

# Blood Vessel Anatomy

- Layers (outside to inside): tunica externa, tunica media (smooth muscle), tunica interna
- Arteries
  - Function: carries blood away from the heart
  - Structure: has large layer of smooth muscle to withstand high pressures and lacks valves

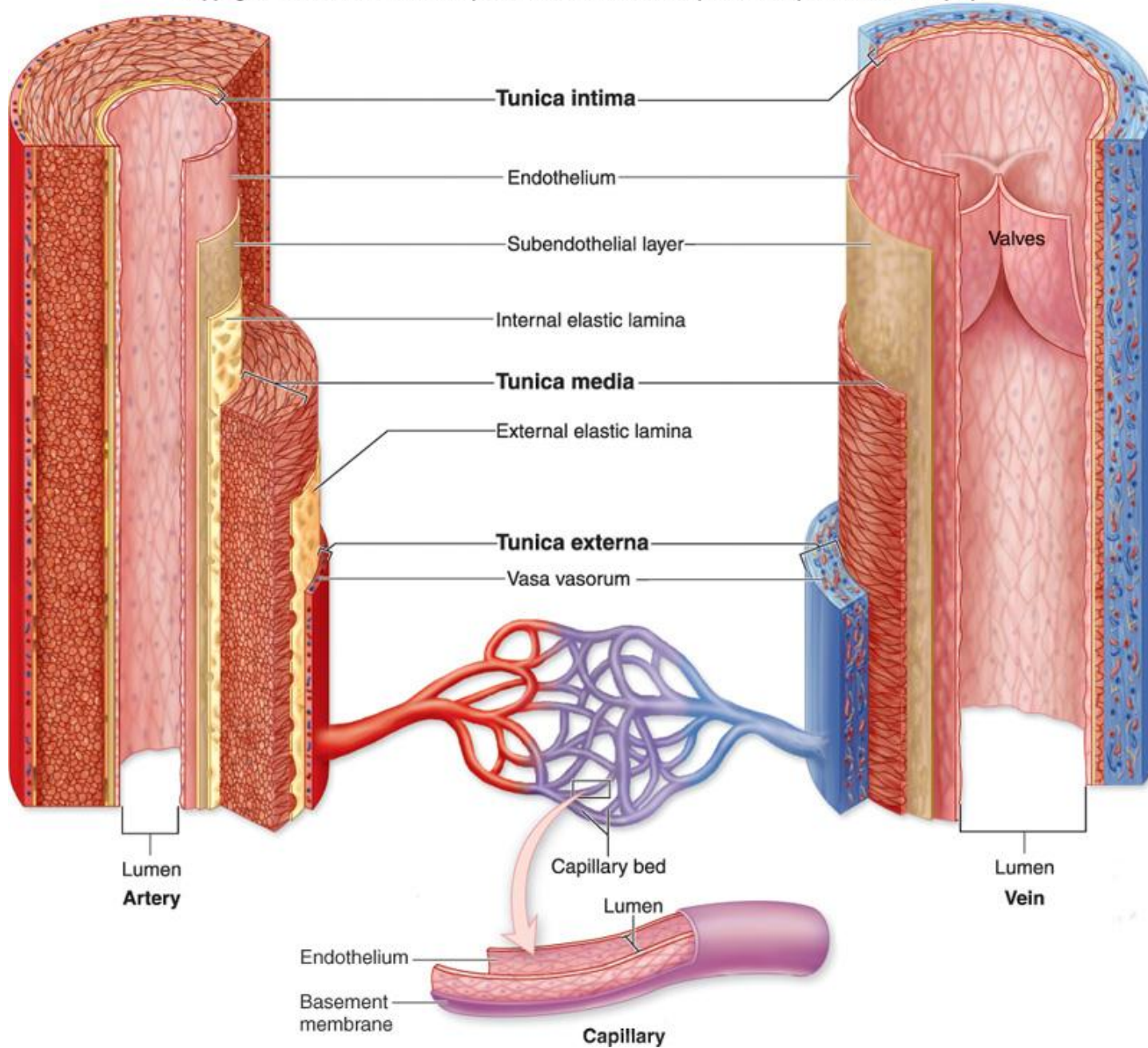


# Blood Vessel Anatomy

- Arterioles
  - Smaller and thinner than arteries
- Capillaries
  - Function: site of gas exchange from blood to body cells
  - Structure: smallest diameter blood vessel, one cell layer thick, large surface area because they are the most numerous blood vessel

# Blood Vessel Anatomy

- Venules
  - Smaller and thinner than veins
- Veins
  - Function: carries blood towards the heart
  - Structure: thin layer of smooth muscle because they are low pressure vessels, contains valves for movement back to heart,
  - Skeletal muscle contractions help with venous return



# **Heart is a Double Pump**

## Pulmonary Circuit Steps

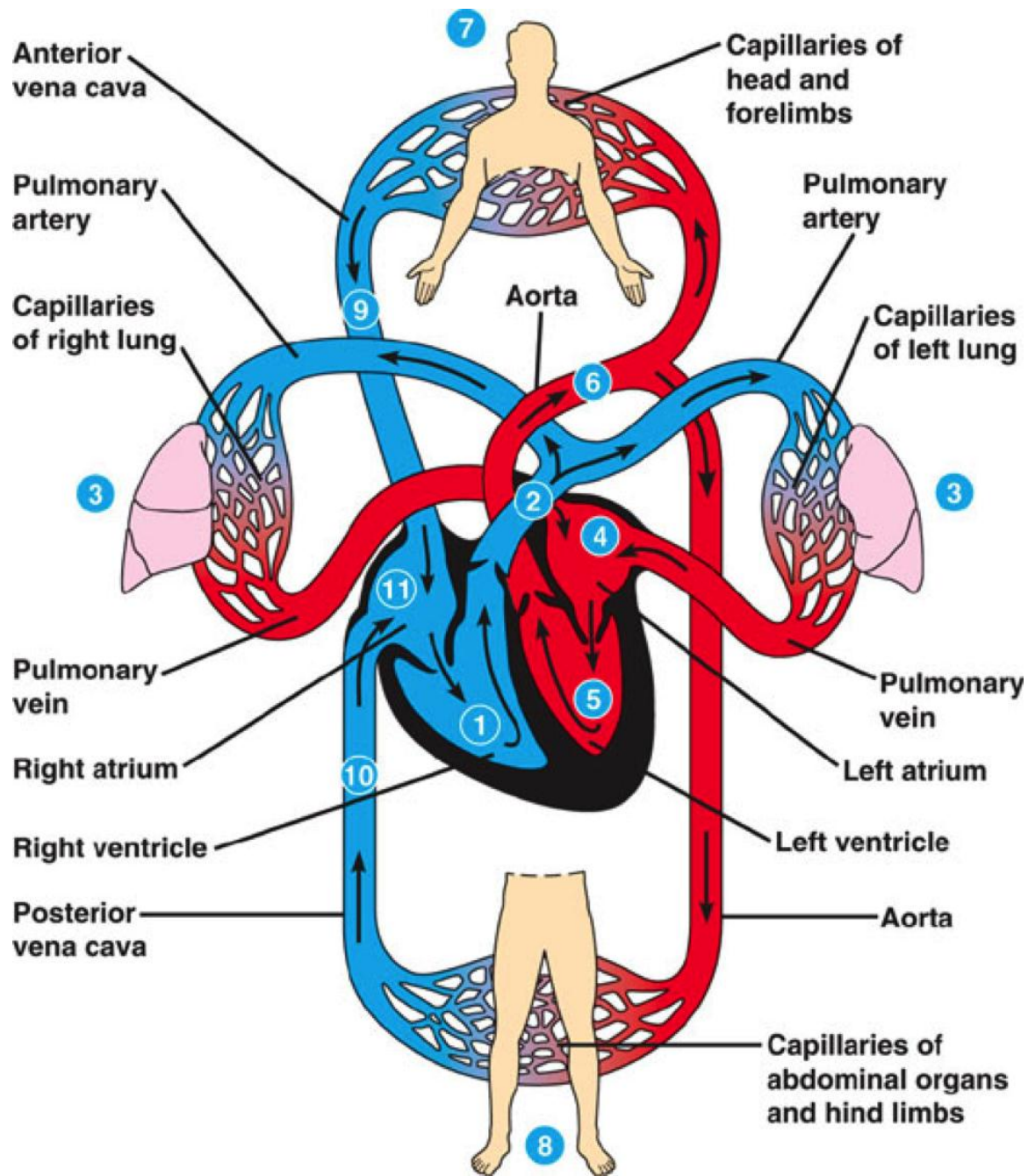
- Right side of heart works as pulmonary (lung) circuit pump
- Right atria receives oxygen poor blood from superior and inferior vena cava
- Blood spills into right ventricle and atria contracts
- Blood is pumped out through the right and left pulmonary arteries, then through arterioles
- Blood is carried to the capillaries of the lungs where they receive oxygen and unload carbon dioxide
- Oxygen rich blood drains into venules and then to the left atria through the pulmonary veins

# *Heart is a Double Pump*

## Systemic Circulation Steps

- Left atria receives oxygen rich blood from the lungs
- Blood spills into the left ventricle and atria contracts
- Blood is pumped out through the aorta when the ventricle contracts
- Blood travels from aorta to a series of smaller arteries, then to arterioles
- When arterioles reach the outermost tissues of the body they form capillaries
- Capillaries connect arteries (arterioles) and veins (venules) and this is where oxygen is released from the blood
- Venules and then veins carry oxygen poor blood from the bodies tissues back to the heart through the superior and inferior vena cava



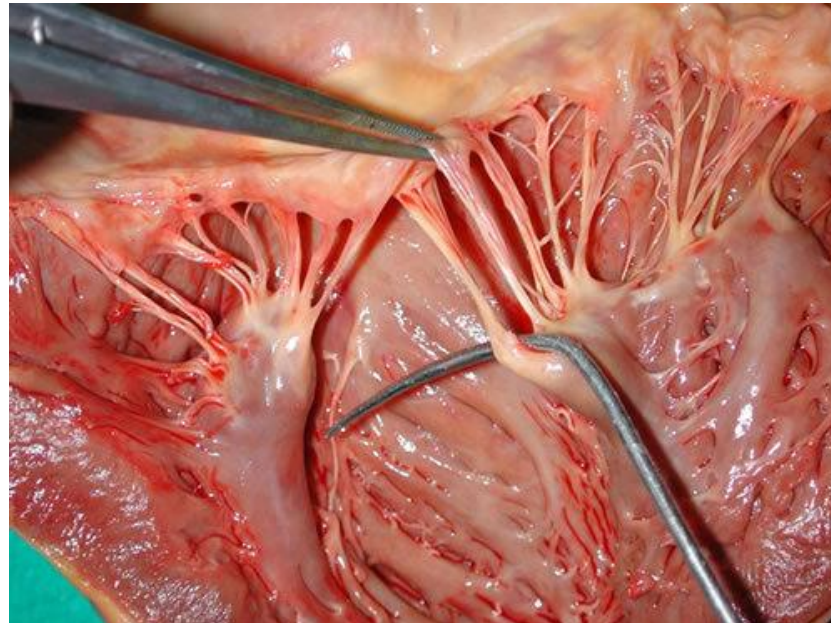
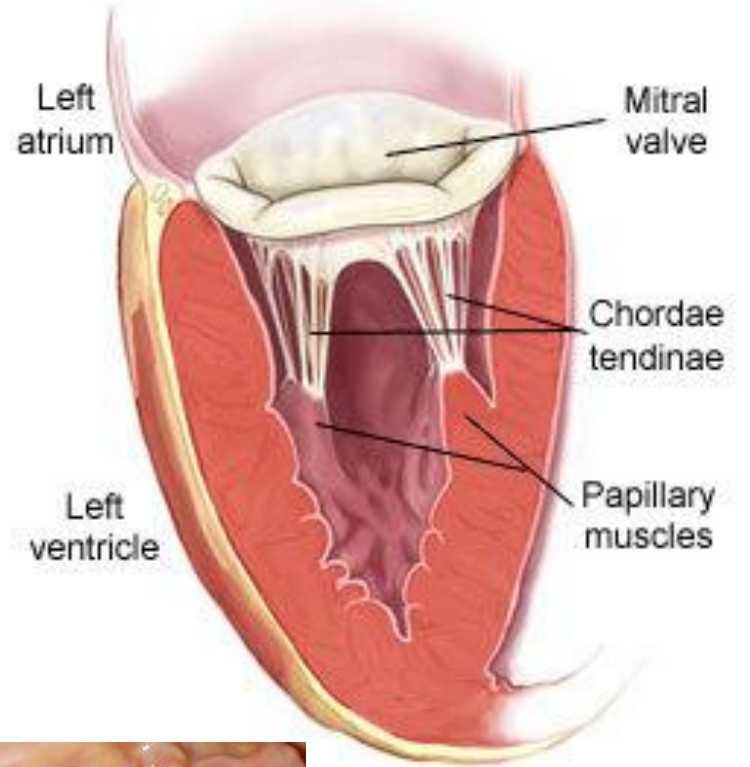
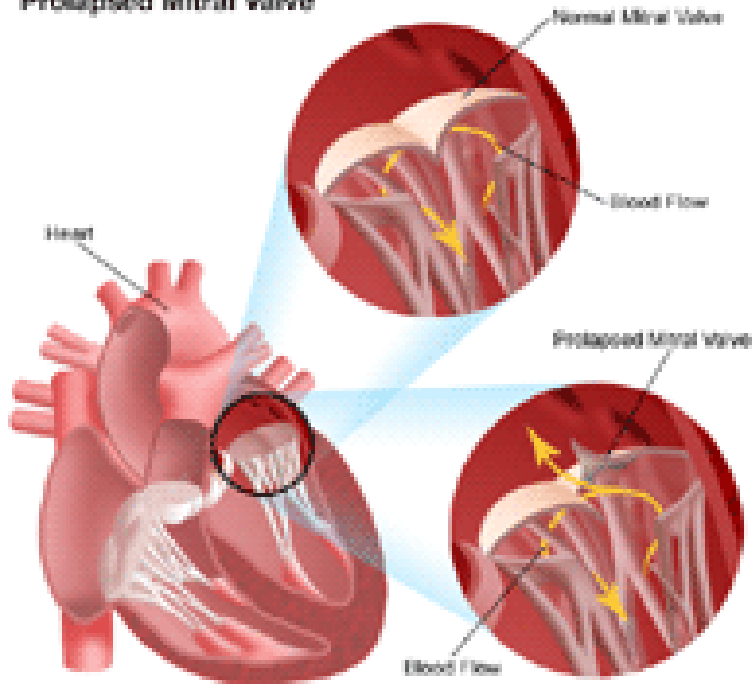


# Four Valves of Heart

- Allows blood to flow in only one direction through the heart
- Atrioventricular (AV) valves – between atria and ventricle on each side
  - Prevent backflow into atria when ventricles contract
  - Left AV valve – bicuspid (mitral) valve
    - 2 flaps of endocardium
  - Right AV valve – tricuspid valve
    - 3 flaps

- Chordae tendineae – “heart strings”
  - Anchor cusps or flaps to walls of ventricles
  - Tighten when valve closes
- Semilunar valves – guards bases of two large arteries leaving ventricular chambers
  - Pulmonary and Aortic semilunar valves
  - 3 cusps or flaps
  - Open when ventricles contract and close when ventricles relax to prevent backflow into the heart
- Difference between valves
  - AV valves open during heart relaxation and semilunar are closed during relaxation

# Prolapsed Mitral Valve



# Disorders

- Angina pectoris – chest pain
  - Heart beats at a rapid rate, myocardium does not receive adequate supply of oxygen
  - Heart cells can become deprived of oxygen resulting in a crushing chest pain
- Angina pectoris can lead to a myocardial infarction (heart attack or coronary) – part of cardiac muscle dies off and no longer functions

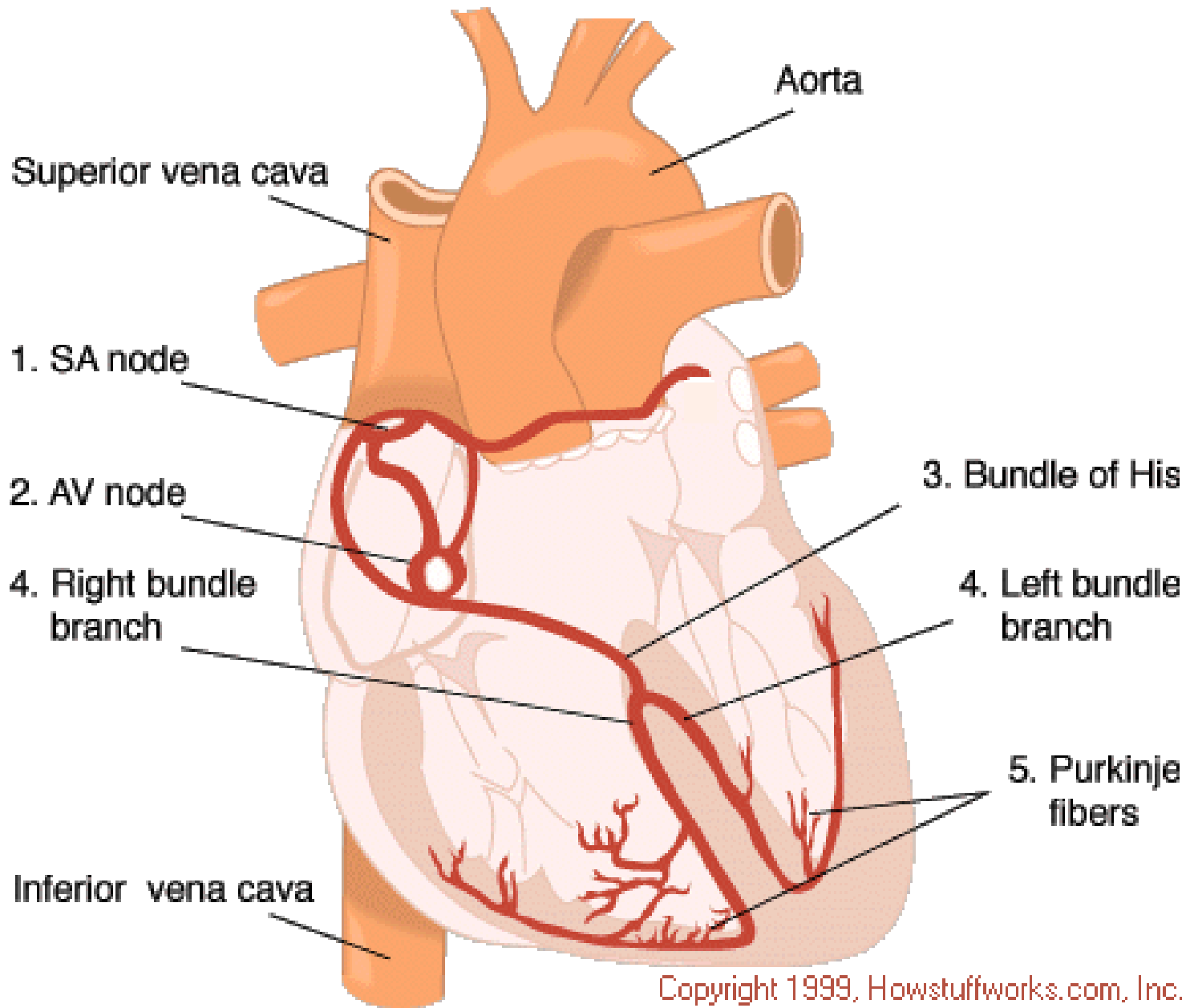


# Physiology of the Heart

- Conduction System = pathway that electrical signals take to stimulate the contraction of the cardiac muscle
  - Contract spontaneously and independently
- Two types of controlling systems
  - Autonomic nervous system – acts as the brakes and accelerators to increase or decrease the heart rate
  - Intrinsic conduction system – built into the heart tissue

# Intrinsic conduction system

- Sinoatrial node (SA) – located in right atrium
  - Pacemaker – starts each heartbeat
  - Sends signal to AV node and to left atrium
- Atrioventricular node (AV) – located at junction between of the atria and ventricles
- Atrioventricular bundle (bundle of His) – located in Interventricular septum
- Purkinji fibers – located within in the muscle of the ventricle walls

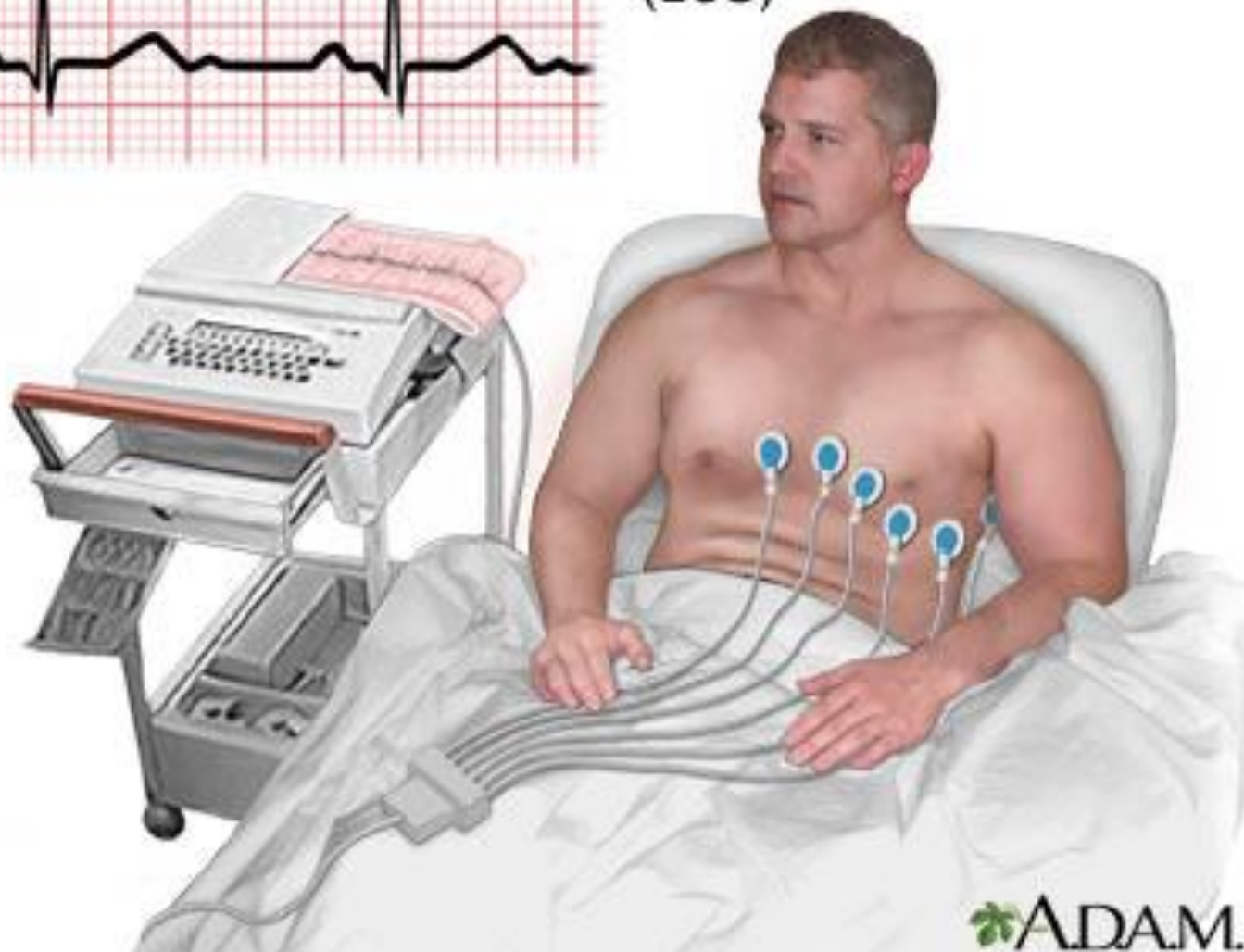


# Intrinsic conduction system

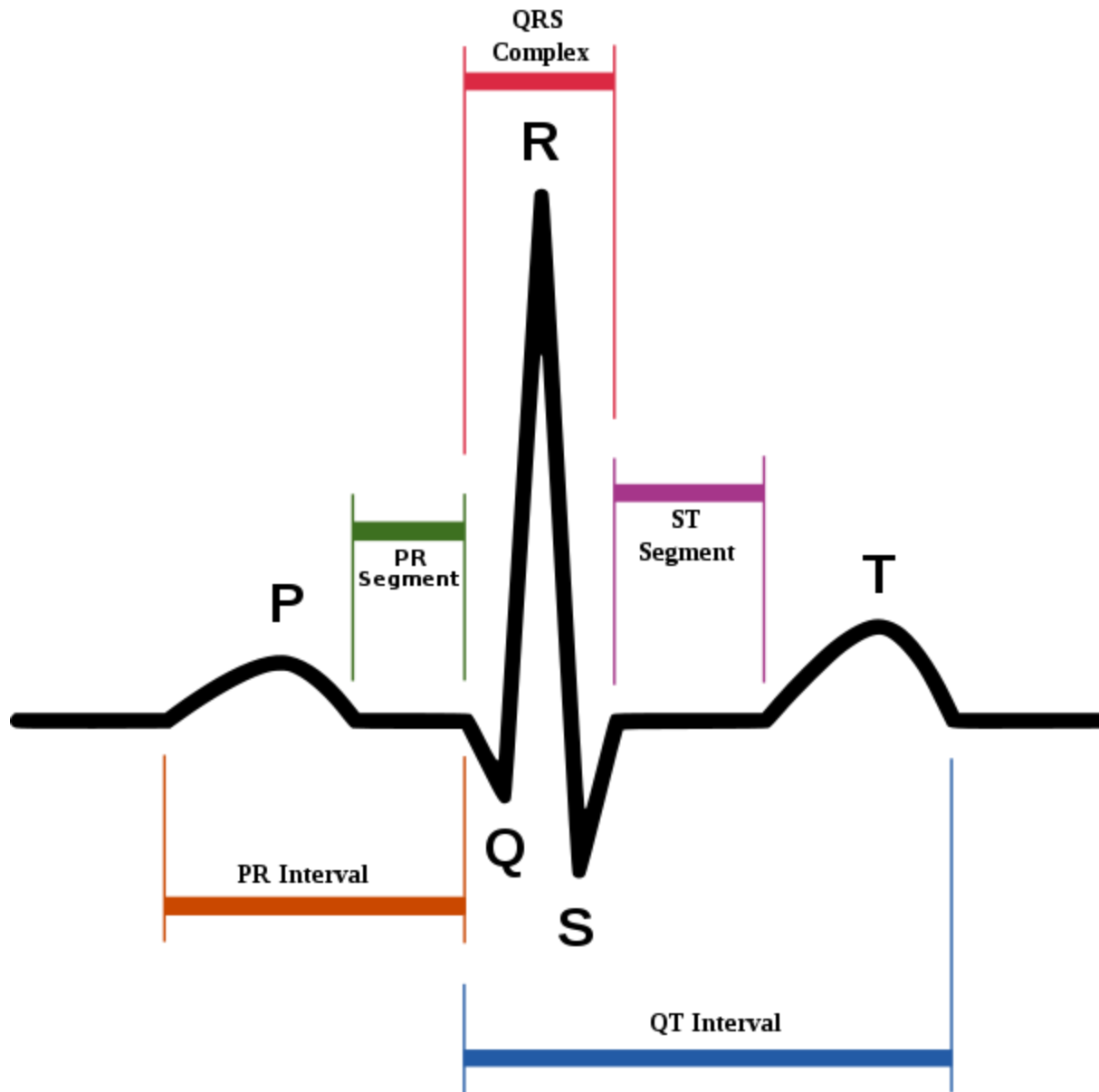
- Electrocardiography – clinical procedure for mapping the electrical signal of the heart
  - P wave – atrial depolarization
  - QRS complex – ventricular depolarization and atrial repolarization (hidden by big wave)
  - T wave – ventricular repolarization

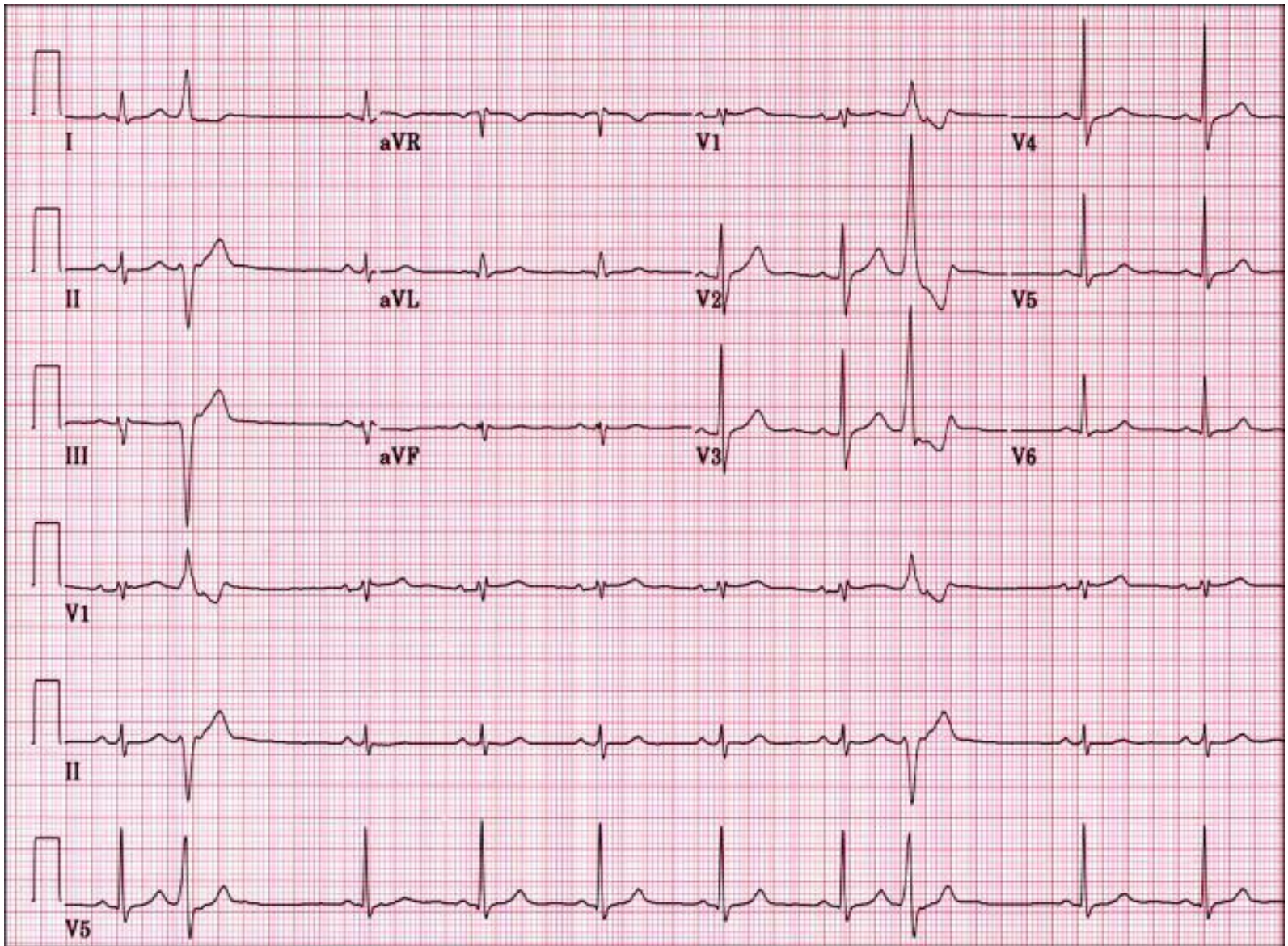


Electrocardiogram  
(ECG)







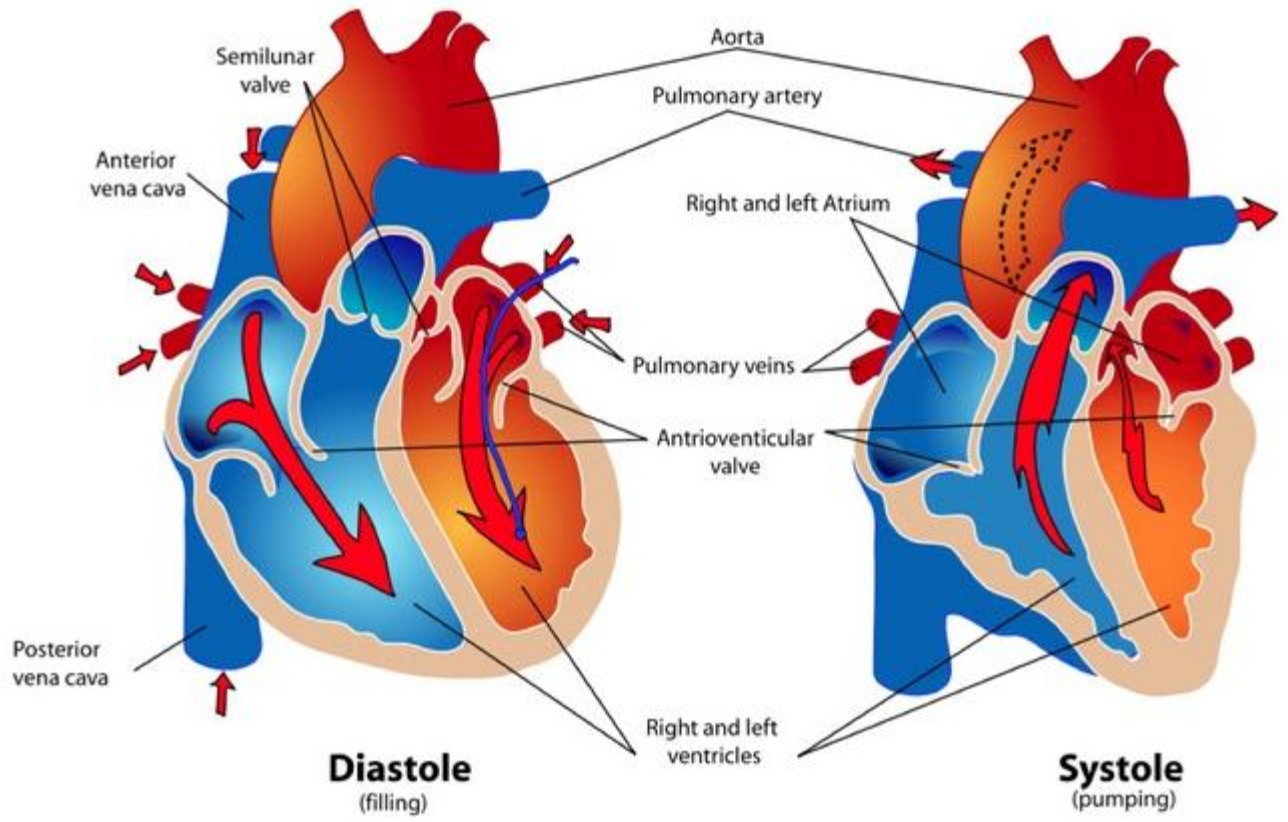
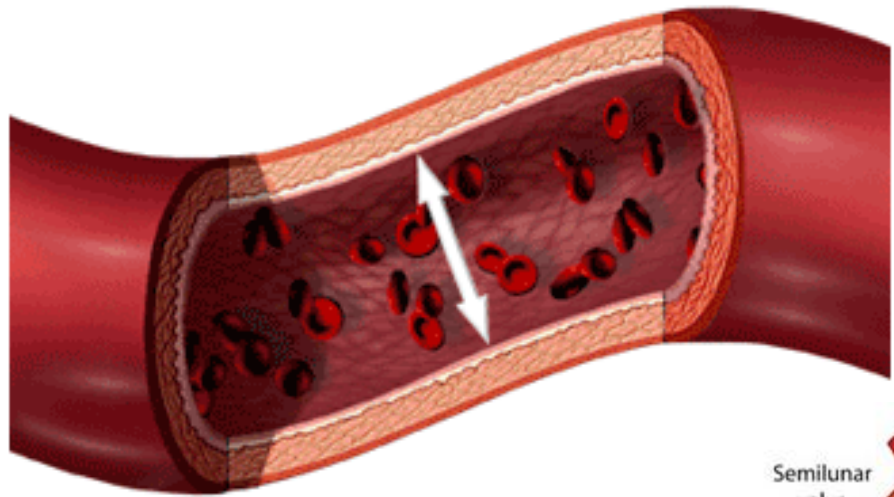


# Cardiac Cycle

- Cardiac Cycle = events of one complete heartbeat in which both atria and ventricles contract and relax
  - Heart beats about 75 times per minutes – each cycle is 0.8 seconds
- Blood pressure (BP) – pressure blood exerts against inner walls of blood vessels
  - Systolic – pressure of contraction of ventricles
  - Diastolic – pressure of relaxation of ventricles
  - Typical BP for a healthy person is 120/80 mmHg



Blood pressure is the measurement of force applied to artery walls



- Pulse – the expansion and recoil of the arteries as blood passes
  - Typical resting pulse is 60-100 beats per minute (BPM)
- Heart Sounds
  - Lub-Dup
    - Louder and longer
  - Dup = closing of semilunar valve
    - Short and sharp

# Cardiac Output (CO)

- Cardiac Output = amount of blood pumped out by each side of the heart in 1 minute
  - $CO = \text{Heart rate and Stroke volume}$
  - $CO = HR (75 \text{ beats/min}) \times SV (70 \text{ mL/beat})$
- Stroke volume – volume of blood pumped out by a ventricle with each heartbeat
  - Entire blood supply passes through heart about once per minute

♥ CARDIAC OUTPUT ♥



$$\text{CO} = \text{HR} \times \text{Stroke Volume}$$

Cardiac Output      Heart Rate      Stroke Volume



# Regulation of Stroke Volume

- SV rises or falls with volume of venous return
- About 60% of blood that enters the heart is pumped out
- SV = how much the heart muscles are stretched before contraction

# Regulation of Heart Rate

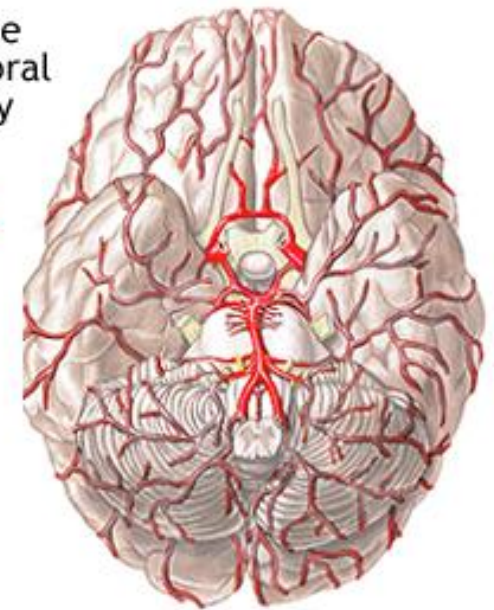
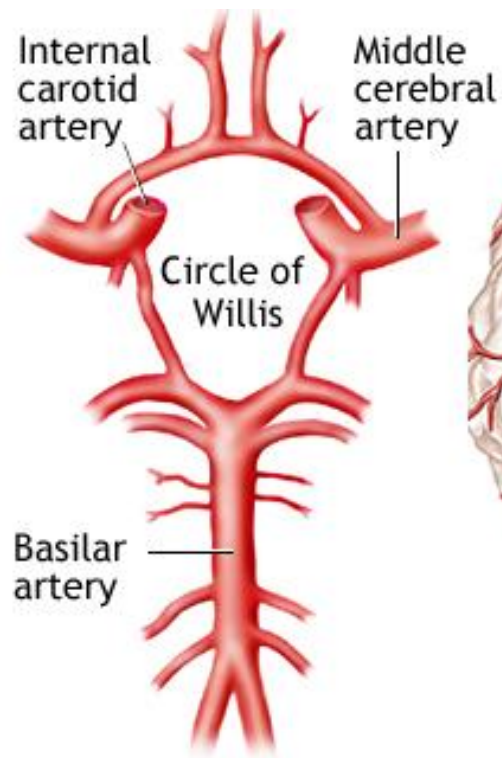
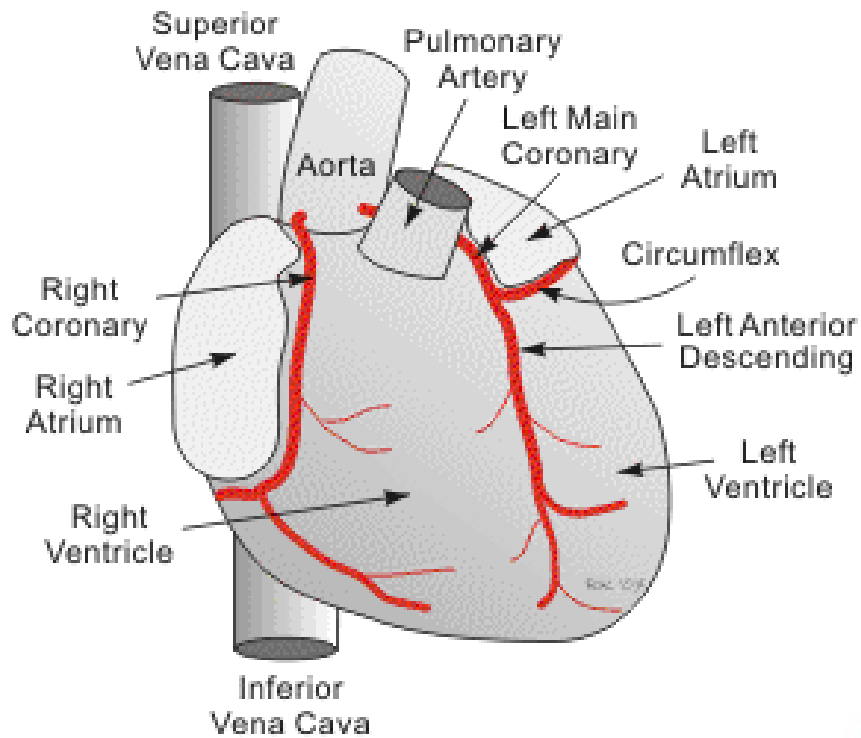
- HR influenced by:
  - Nerves of autonomic nervous system
  - Nerves of parasympathetic nervous system
  - Drugs and other chemicals
  - Ion levels in blood

# Disorder

- Congestive heart failure – when pumping efficiency of heart is depressed so that circulation can not meet tissue needs
  - Caused by coronary atherosclerosis (clogging of coronary vessels), high blood pressure, or multiple myocardial infarctions

# Special Types of Circulation

- Coronary Circulation – how heart gets blood
  - Right and left coronary arteries branch from aorta and encircle heart
  - Brings oxygen and nutrients to heart cells
  - Myocardium drained by cardiac veins, which dumps the oxygen poor blood directly into the right atrium
- Circle of Willis
  - Two arteries connect to form a ring in the brain
    - Allows for blood to continue to circulate when there are blockages and helps regulate blood pressure in the brain



Bottom view of brain