

Anatomy of the Heart and Circulation

A Refresher



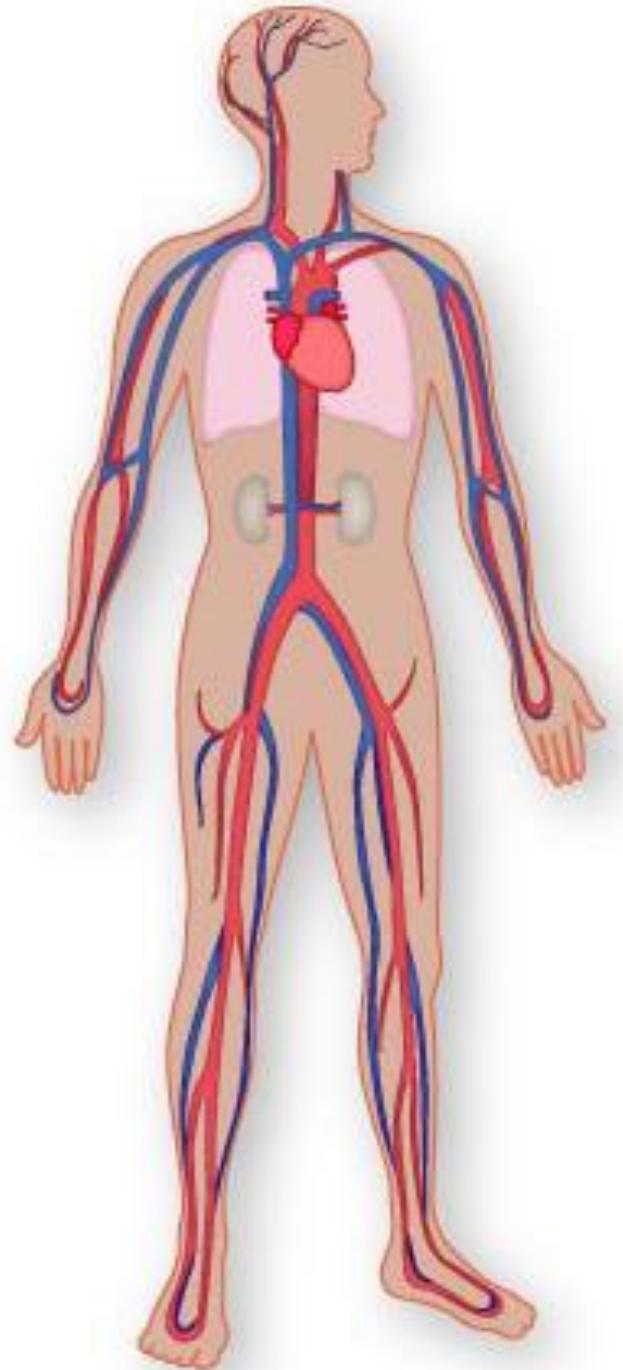
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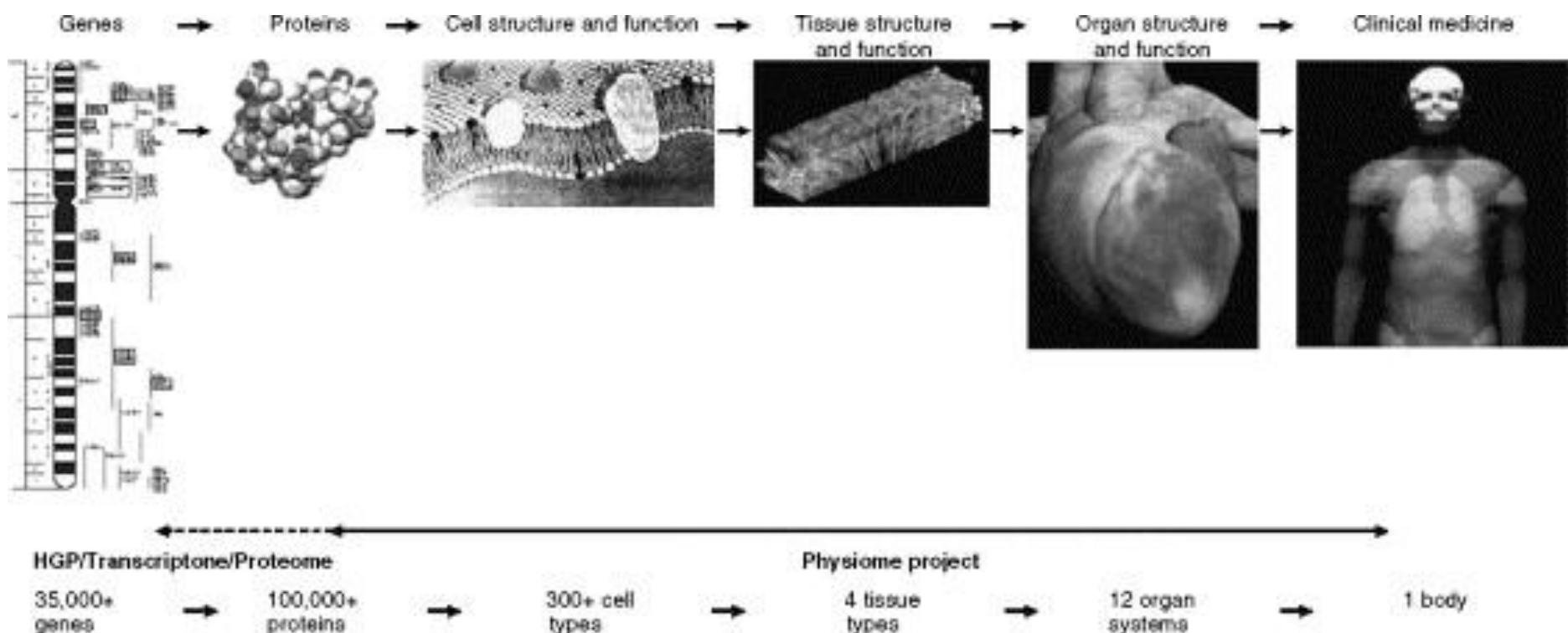
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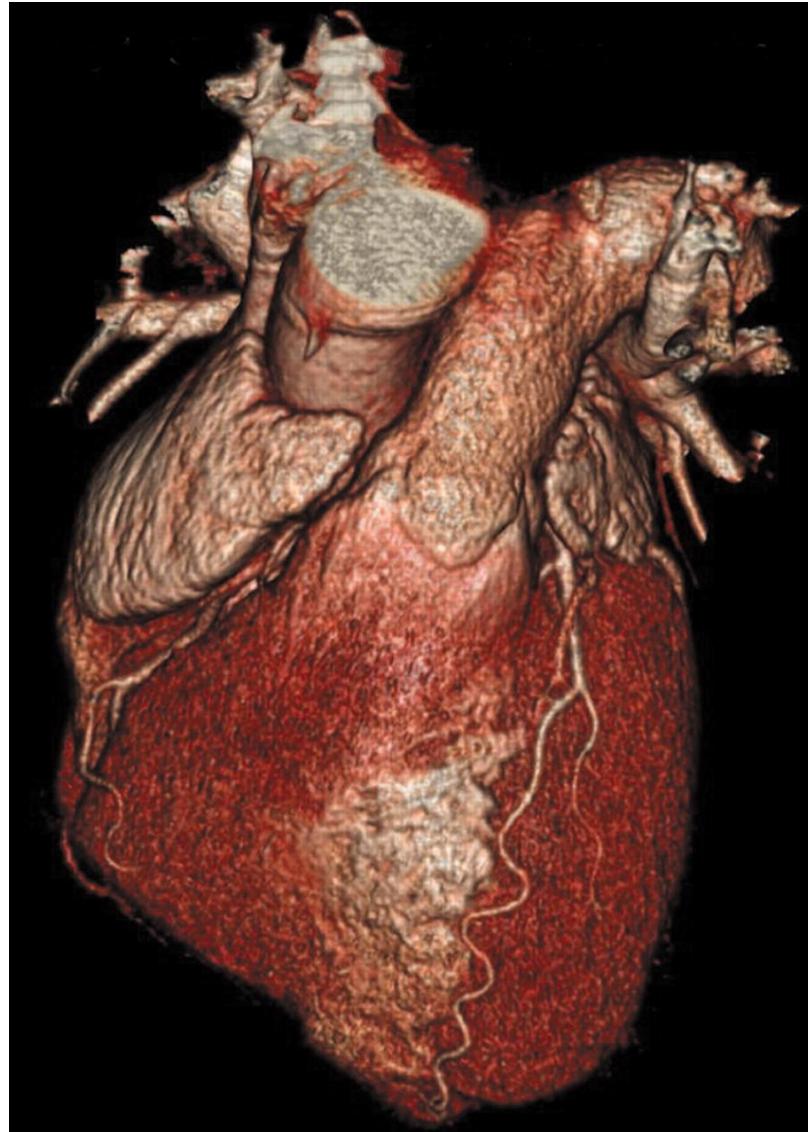
Overview

- General CVS Anatomy
- Macroscopic Cardiac Anatomy
 - Chambers
 - Valves
 - Conduction System
- Microscopic Myocardial Anatomy



Physiome





Donnelly, P M et al. Heart 2005;91:1385-1388

Macroscopic Cardiac Anatomy

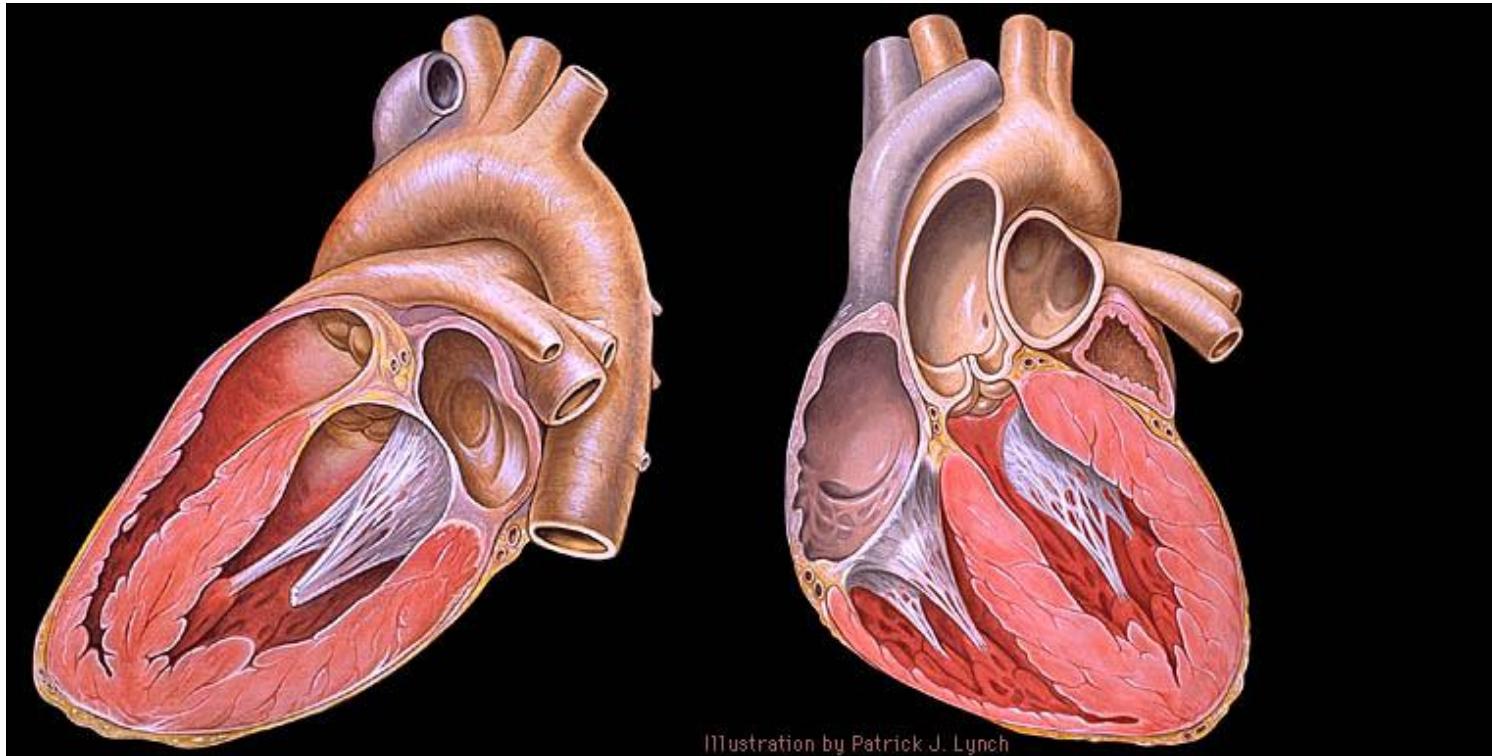
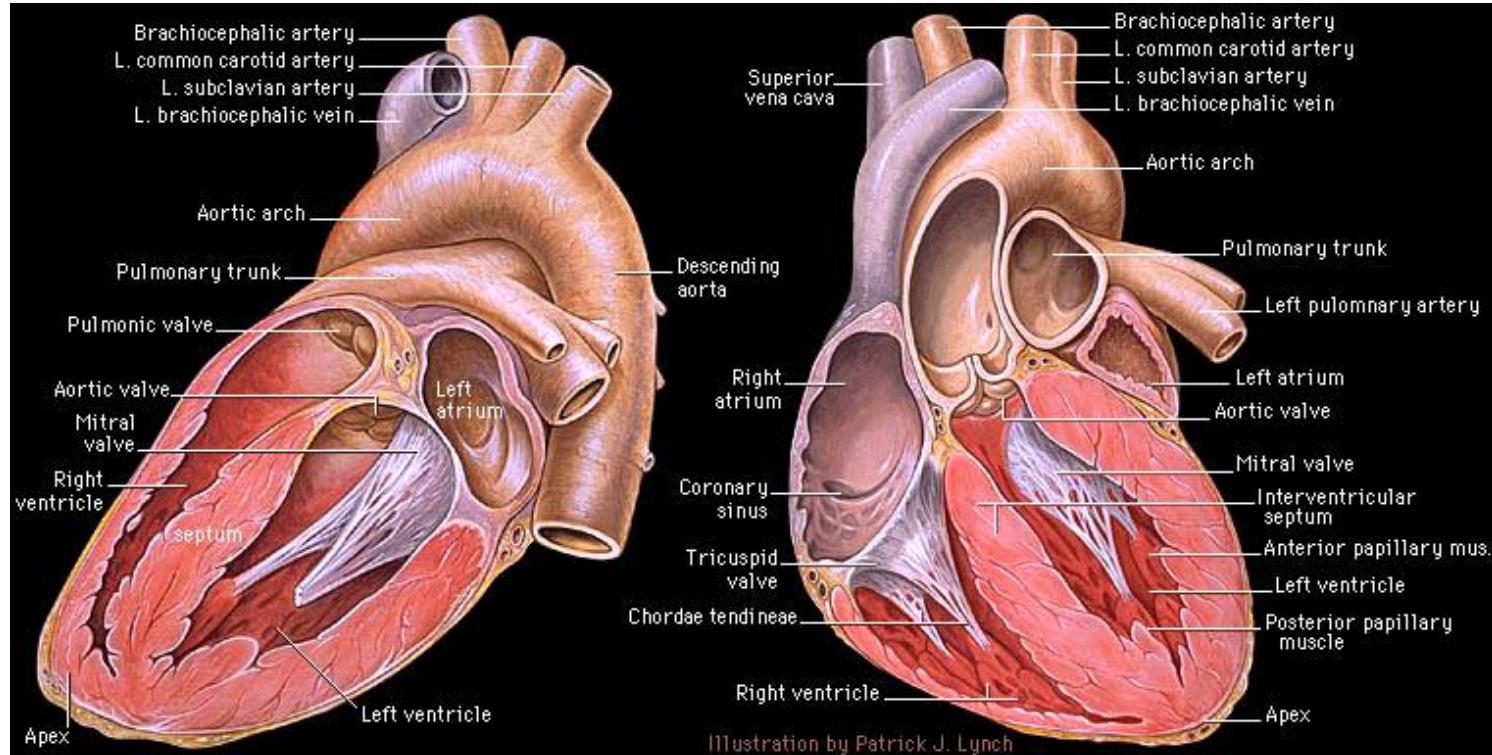


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Macroscopic Cardiac Anatomy



Macroscopic Cardiac Valve Anatomy

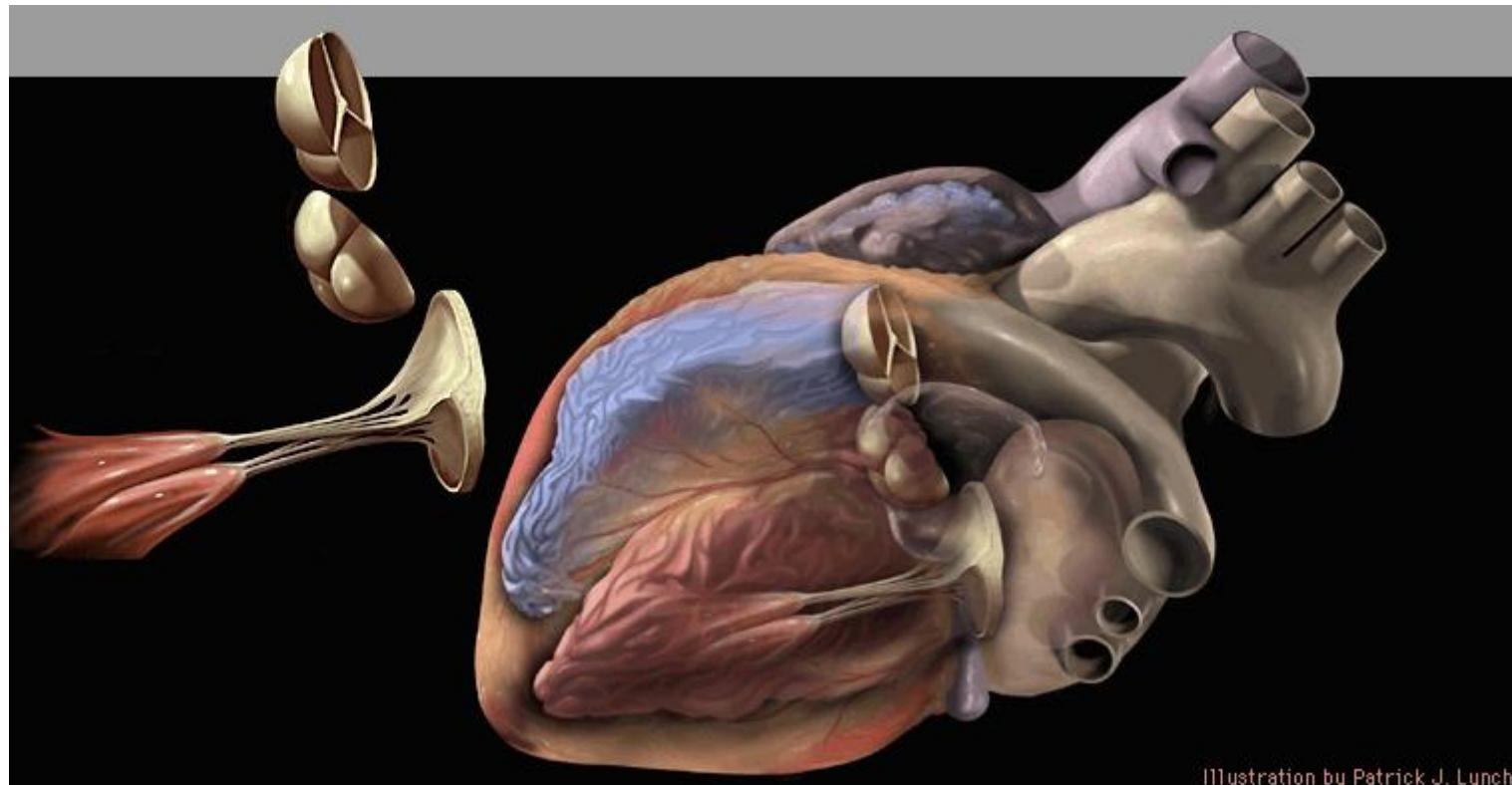
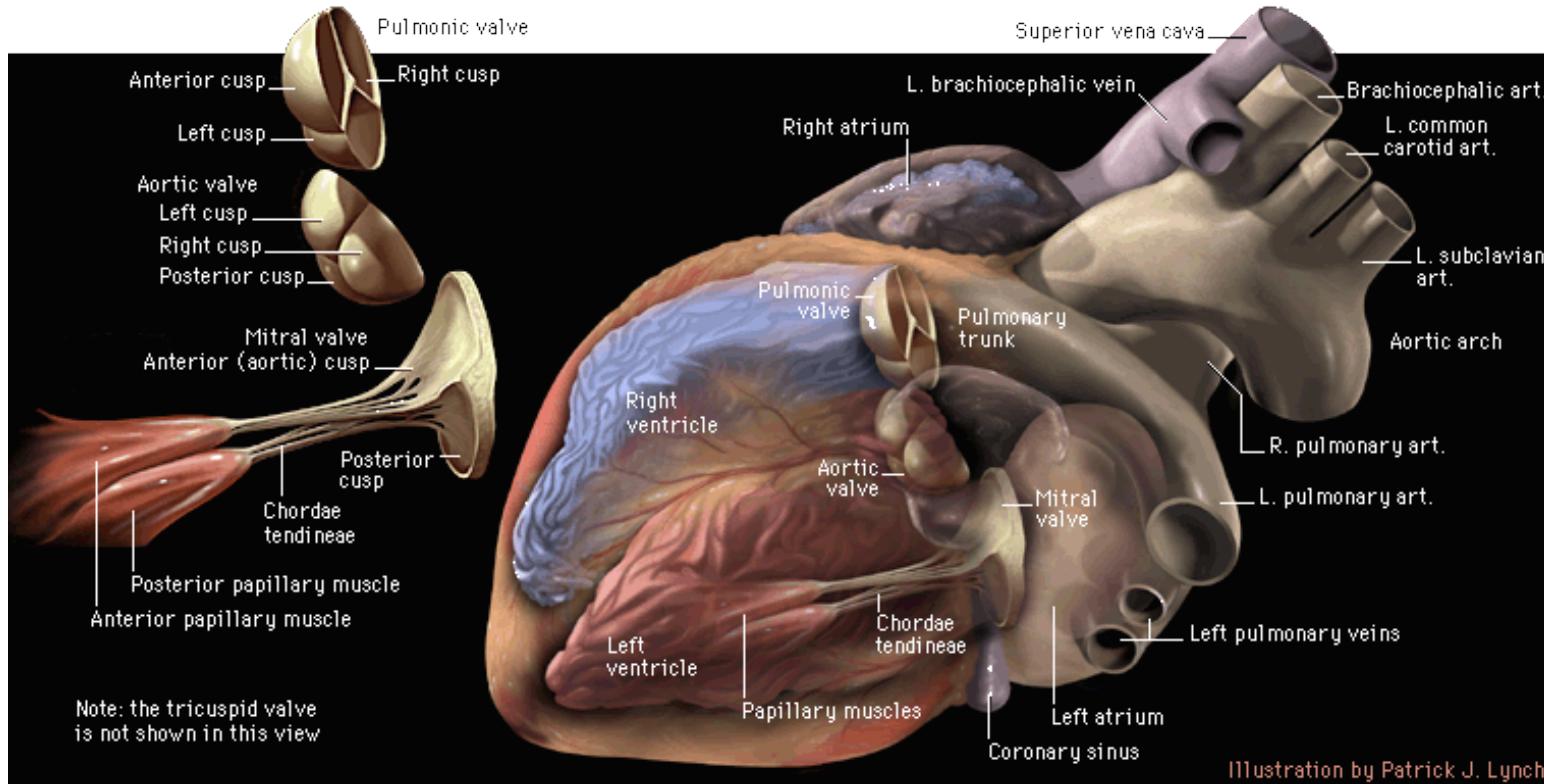


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Macroscopic Cardiac Valve Anatomy



Aortic Valve

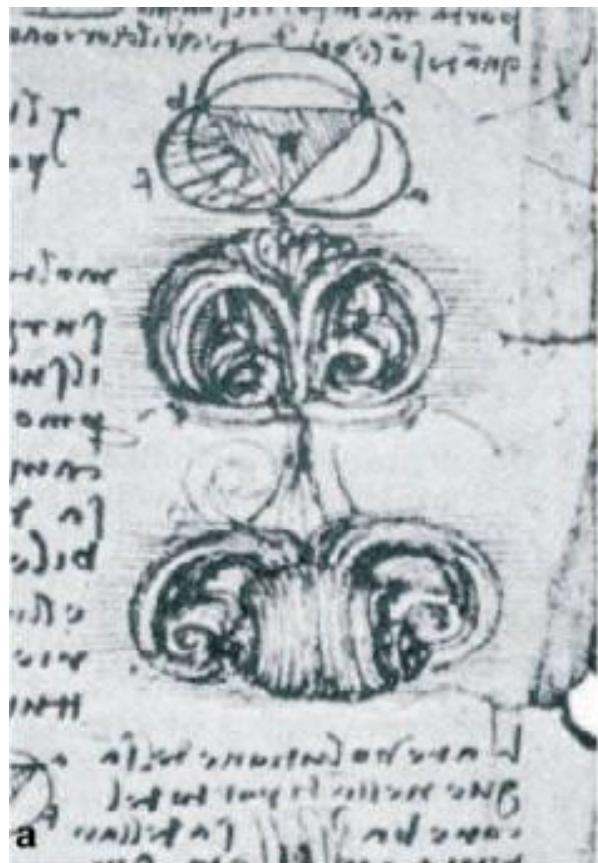
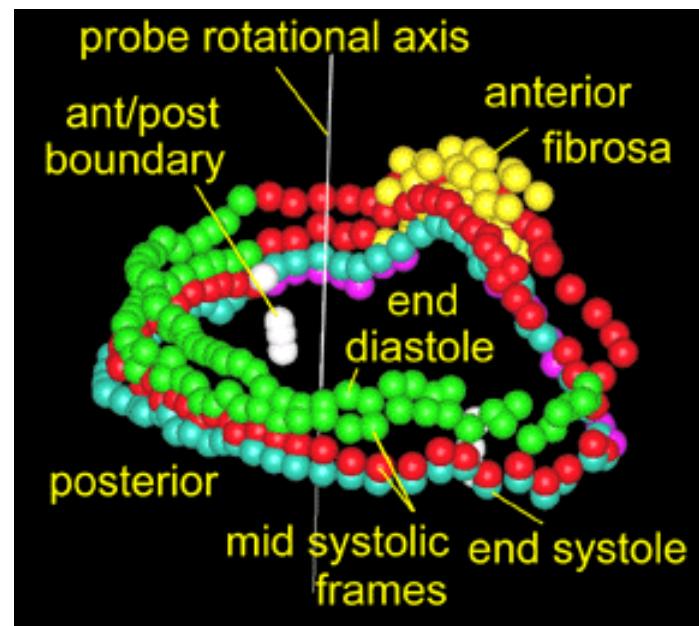
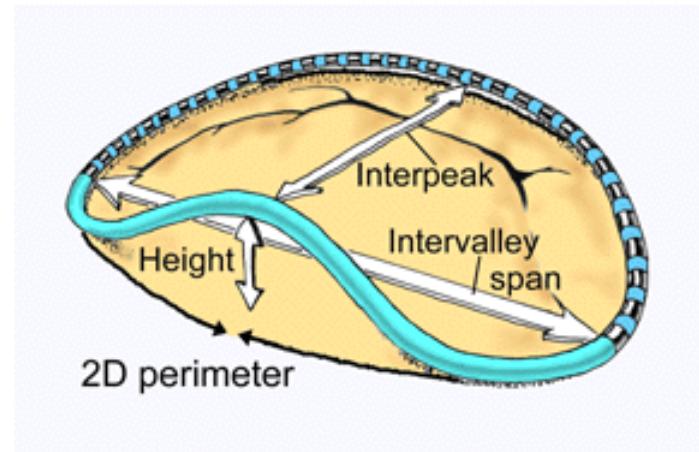
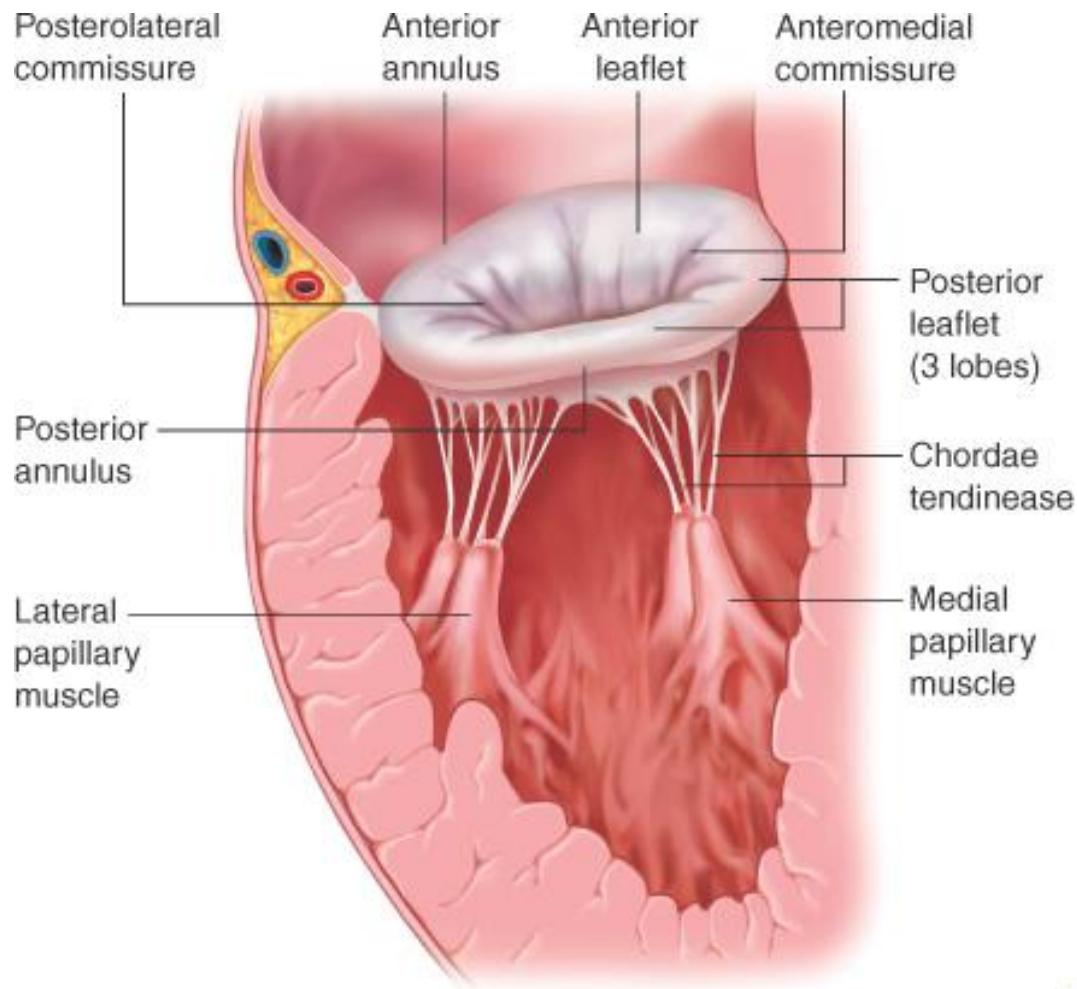


Fig. 1. **a** Leonardo da Vinci's depiction of aortic valve vortices in the left heart. (Detail of RL19116 recto – Courtesy of The Royal Collection © 2002, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II).
b Velocity vectors from MRI in the left ventricular outflow tract, again showing vortices in the Sinus of Valsalva. (Courtesy of Dr. Tal Geva of Children's Hospital Boston)

Mitral Valve

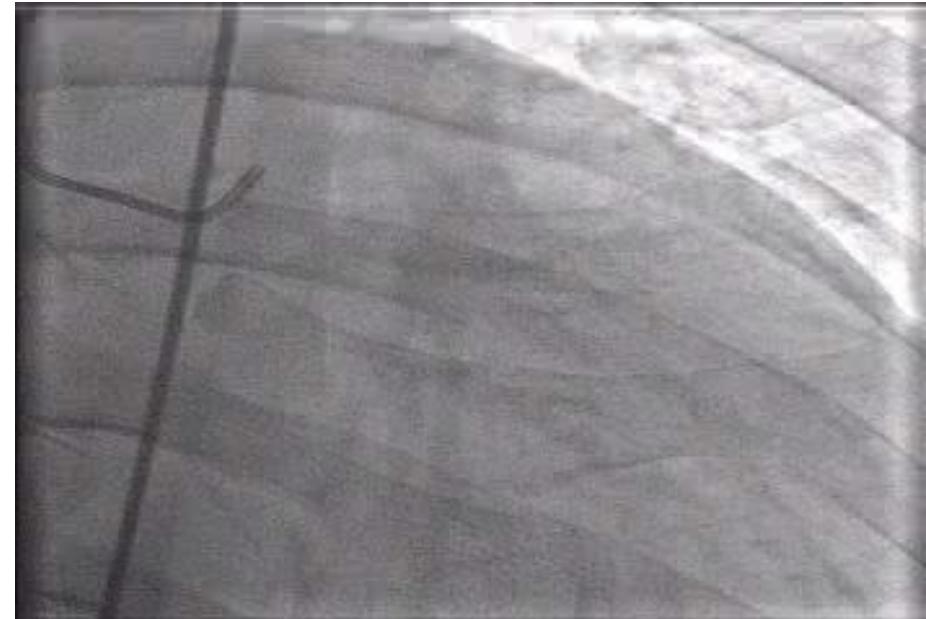


Coronary Anatomy

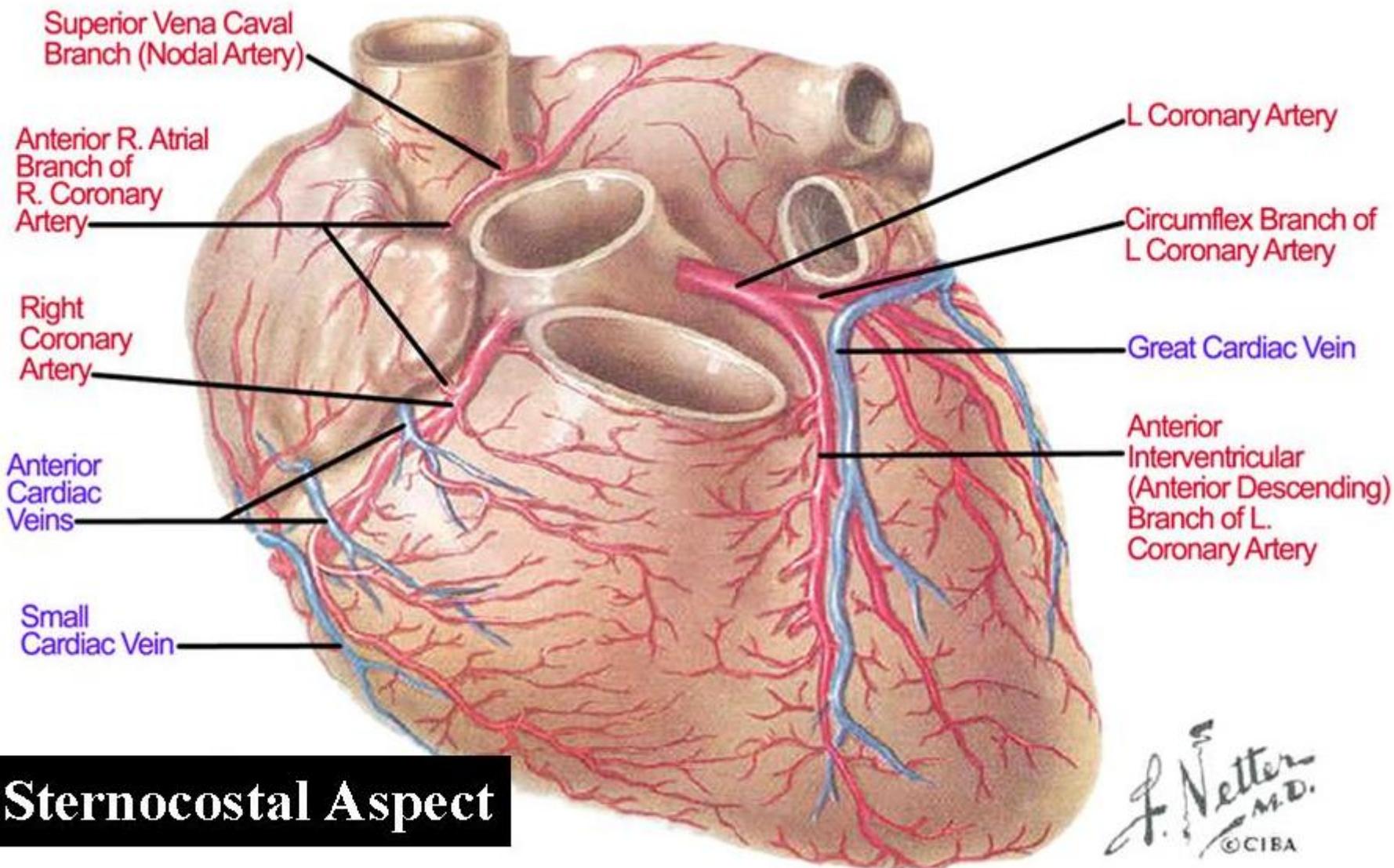
Right Coronary Angiogram



Left Coronary Angiogram

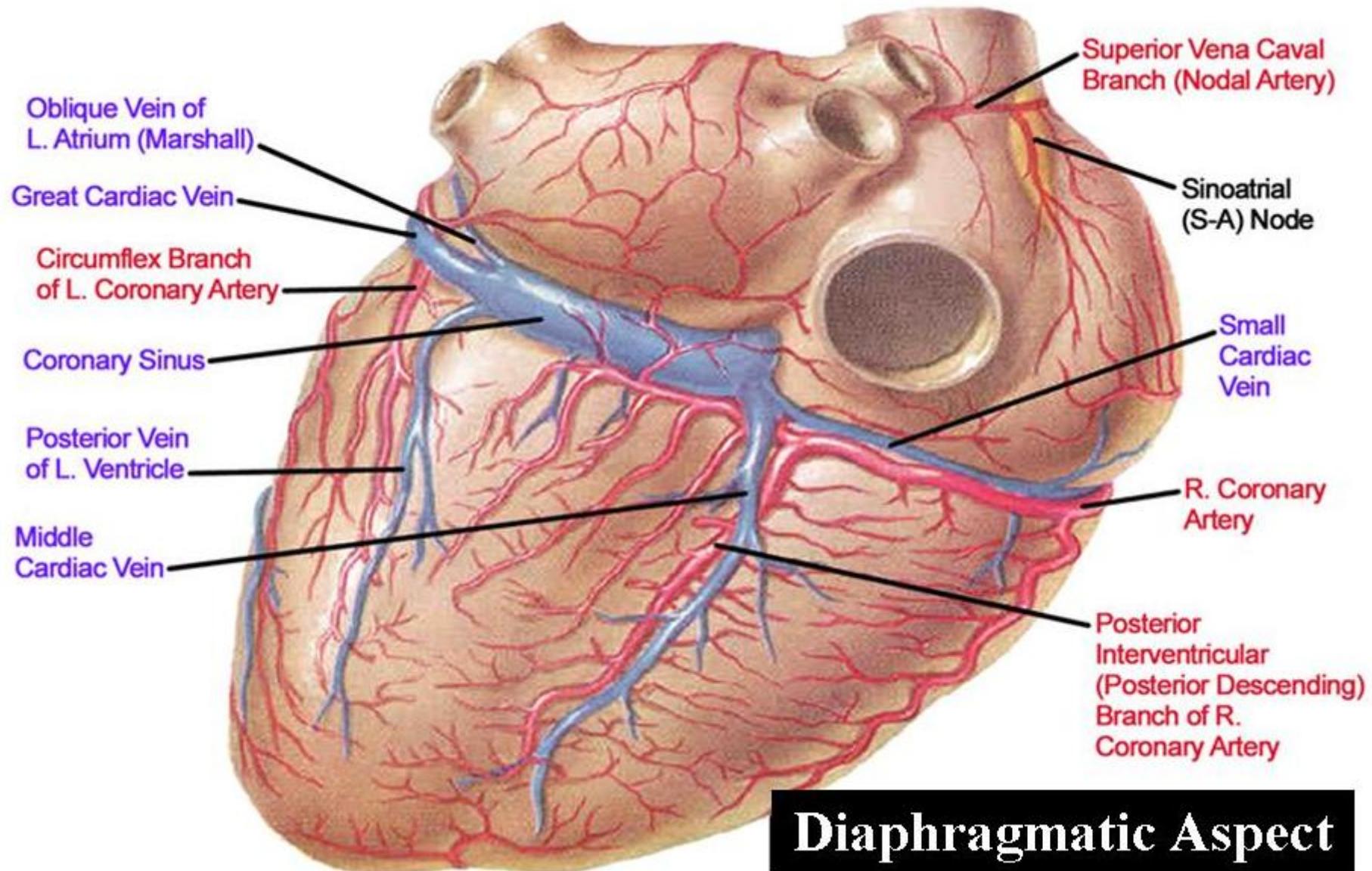


Coronary Anatomy



Sternocostal Aspect

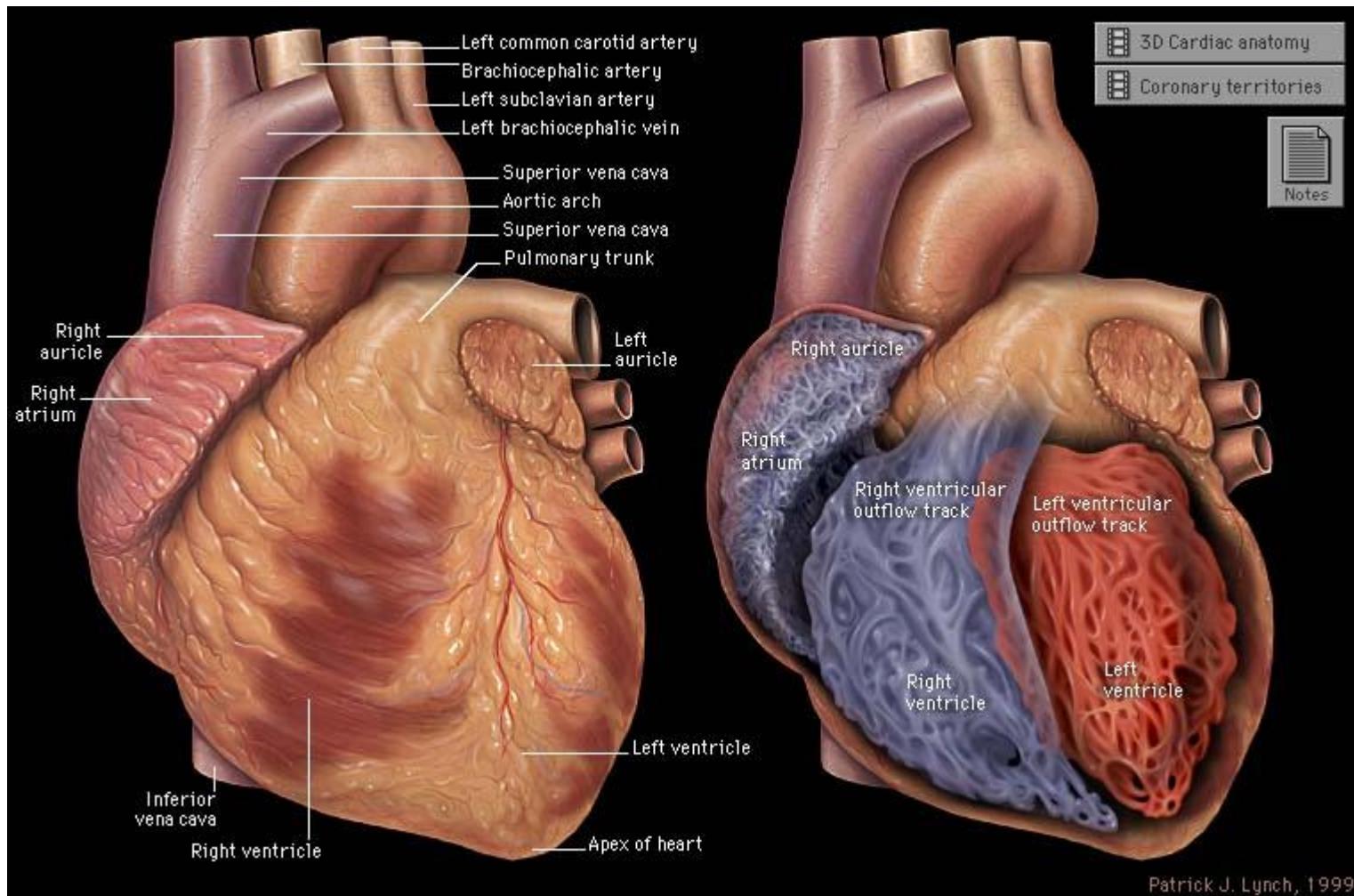
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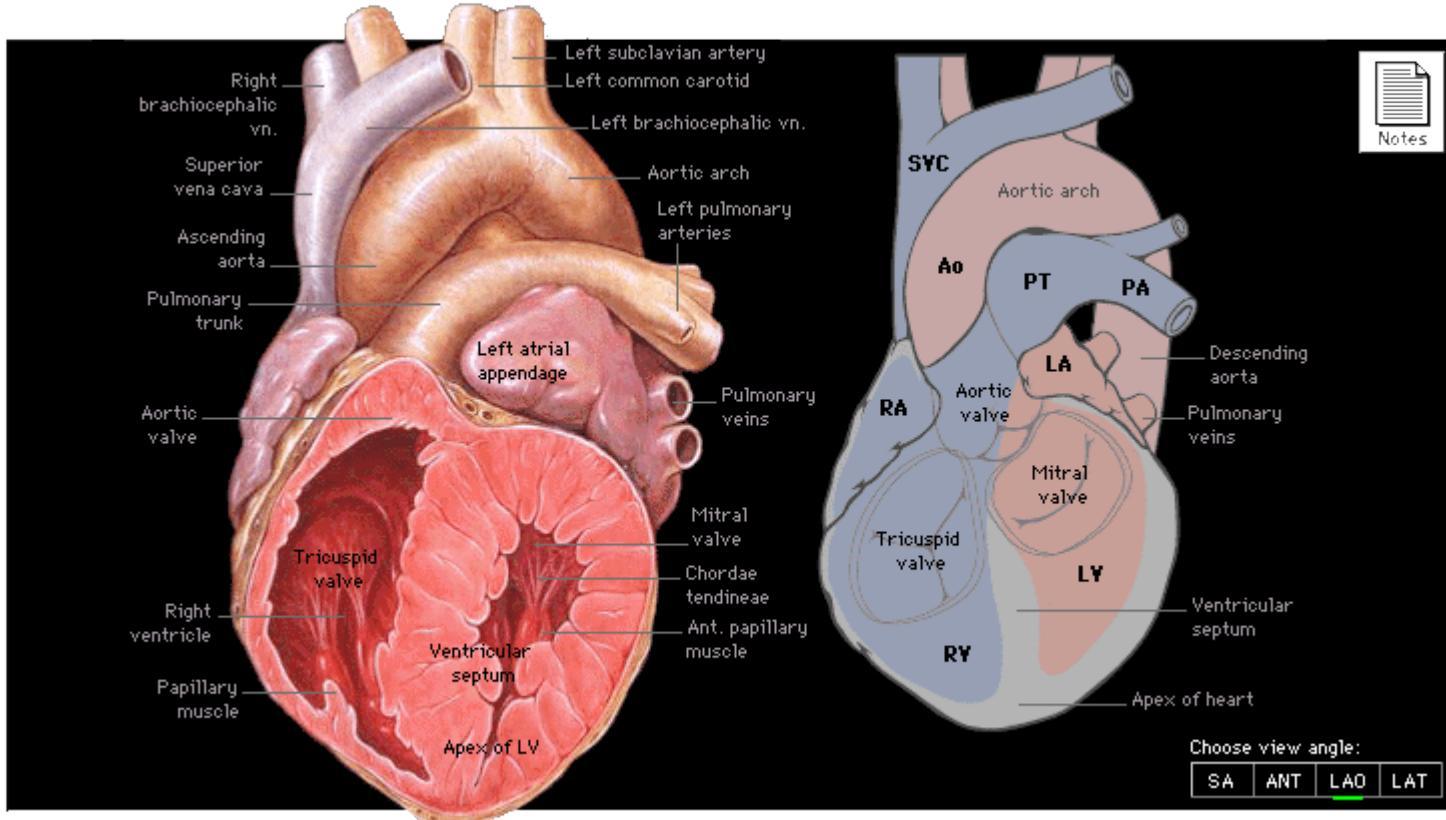
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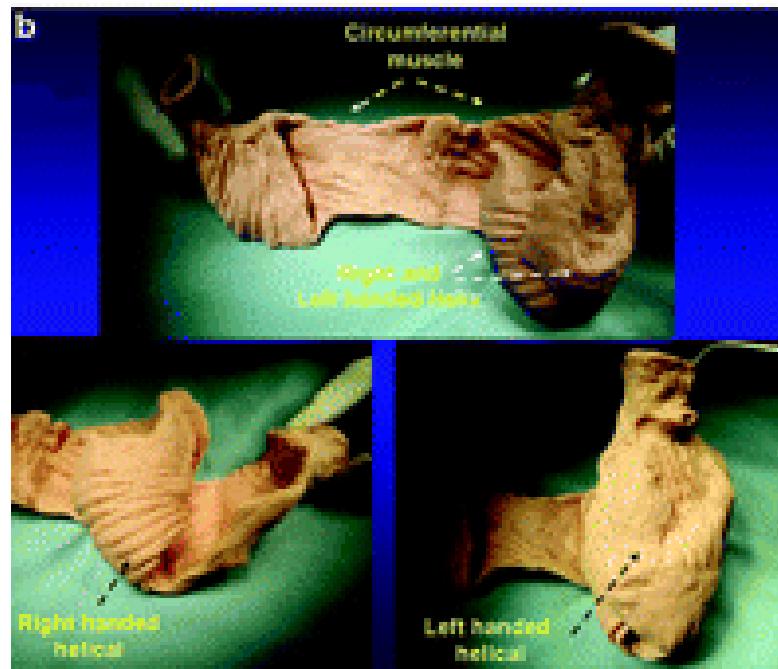
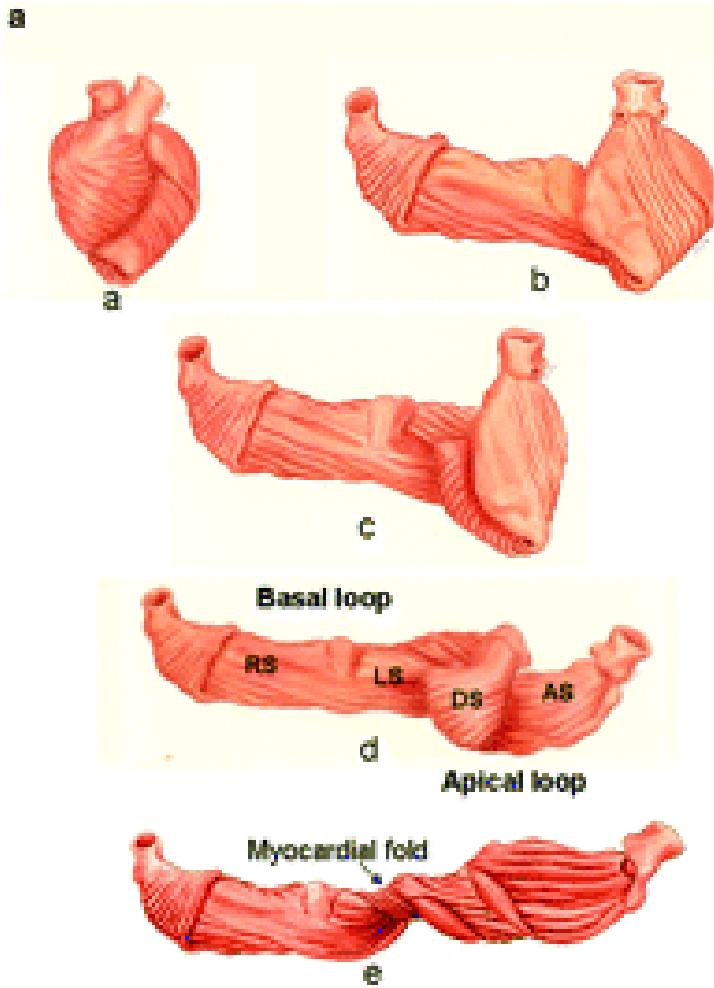
Ventricular Anatomy



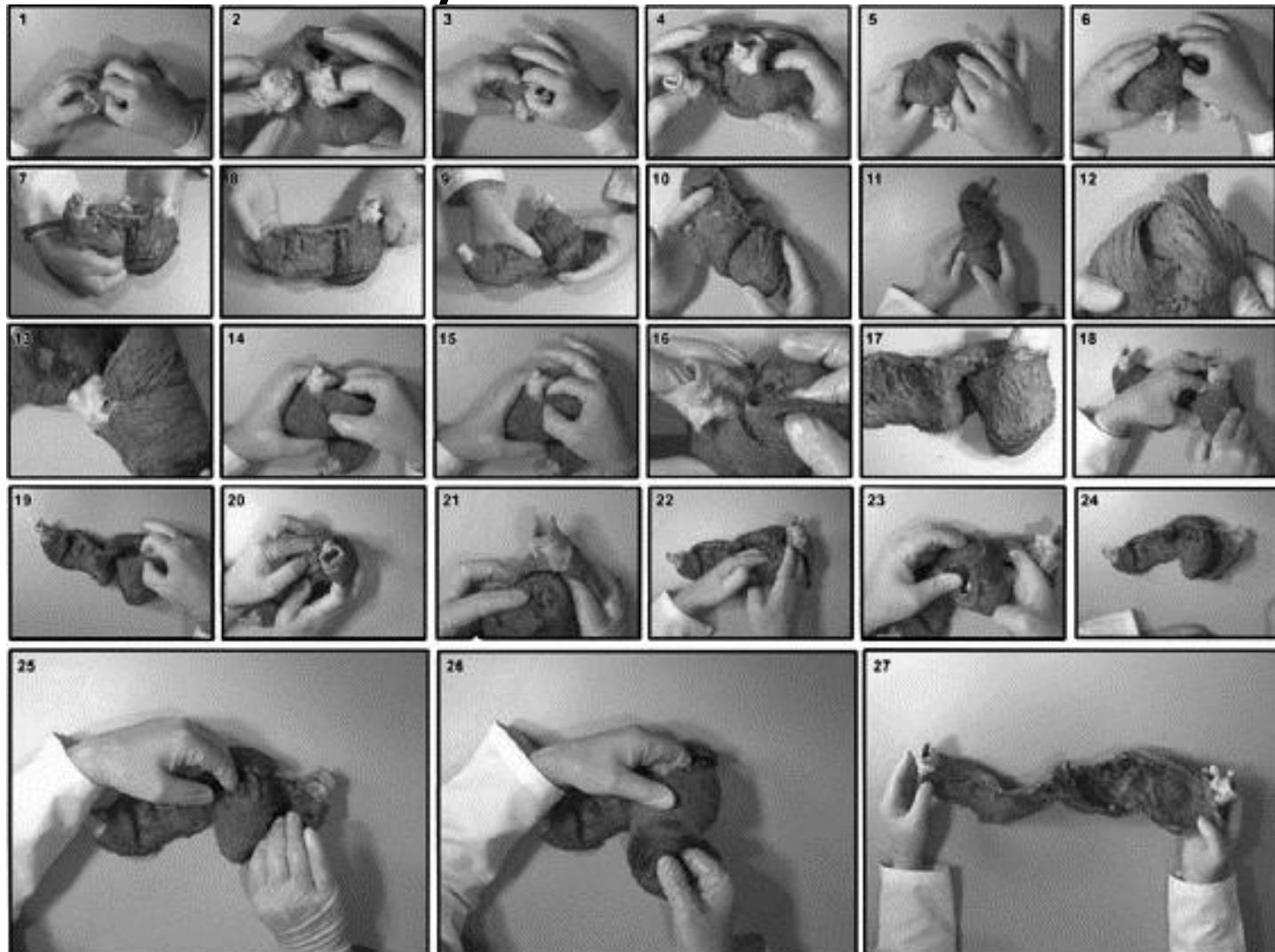
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The Helical Ventricular Myocardial Band (of Torrent-Guasp)

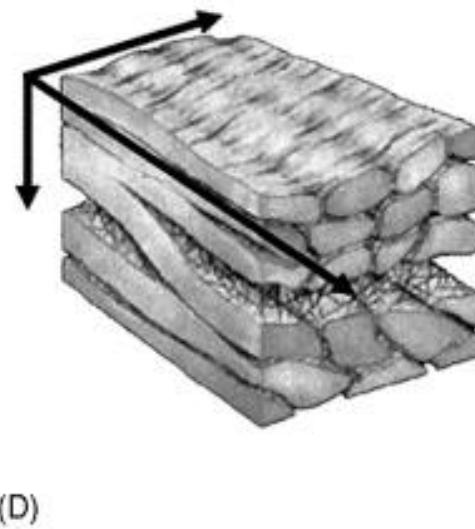
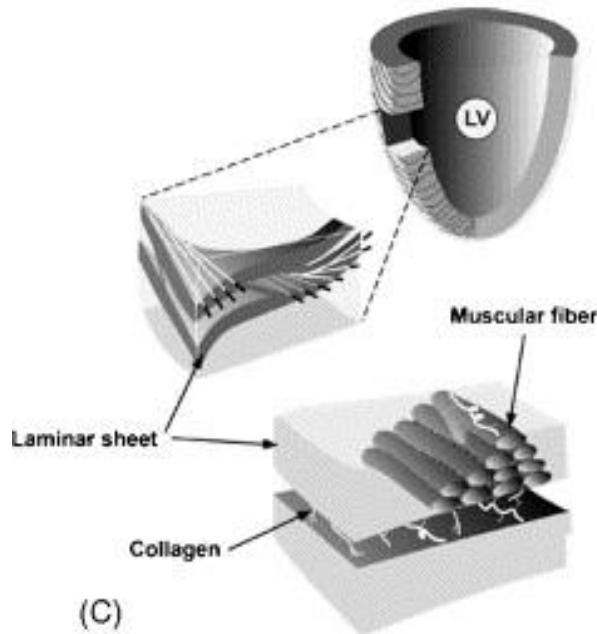
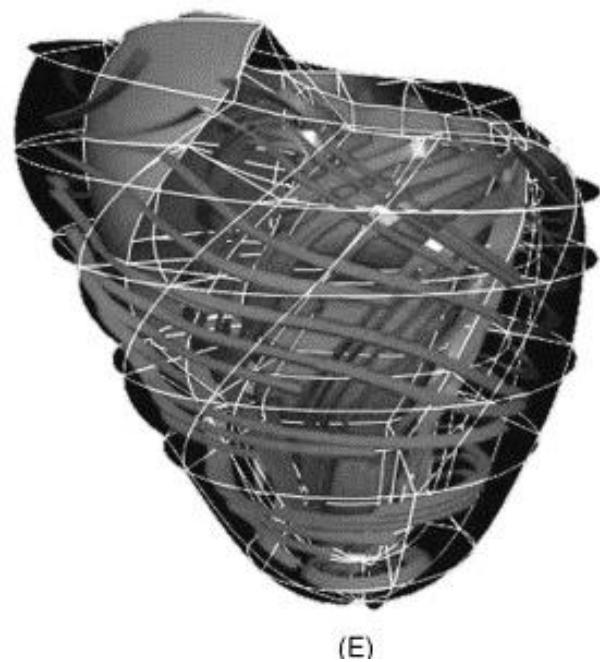
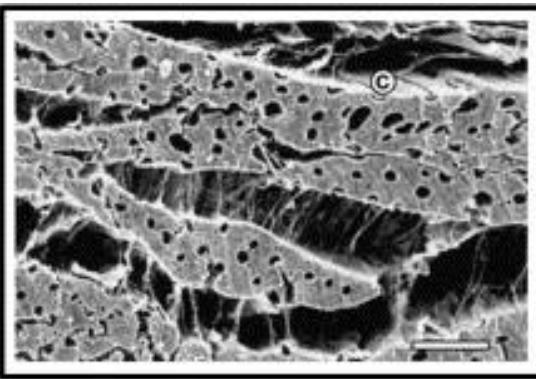
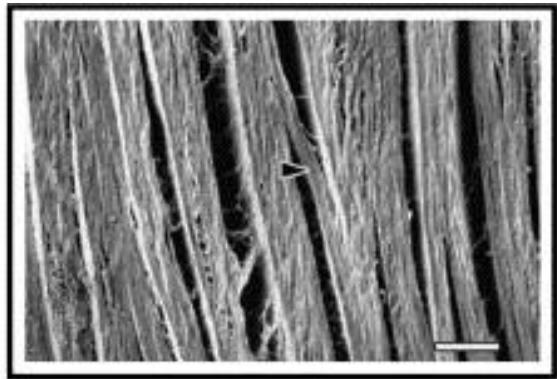


Unravelling the Helical Ventricular Myocardial band



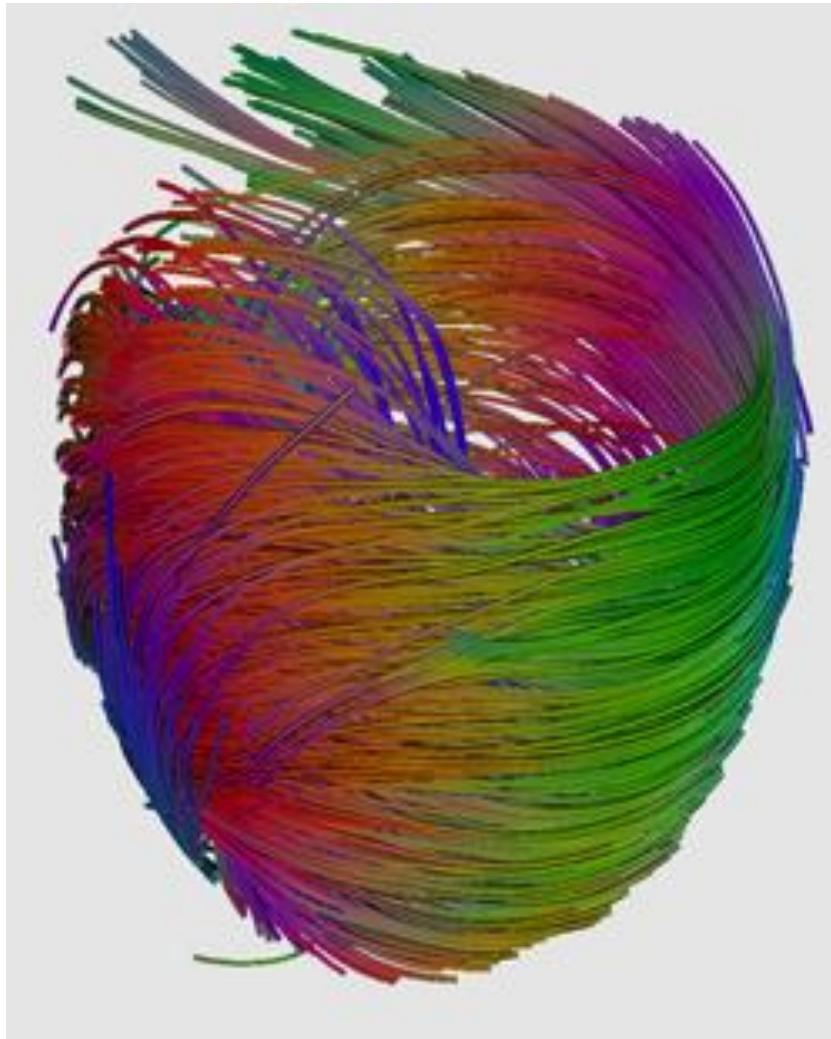
Francisco Torrent-Guasp, Denia 2004

Complex Multicellular Structure



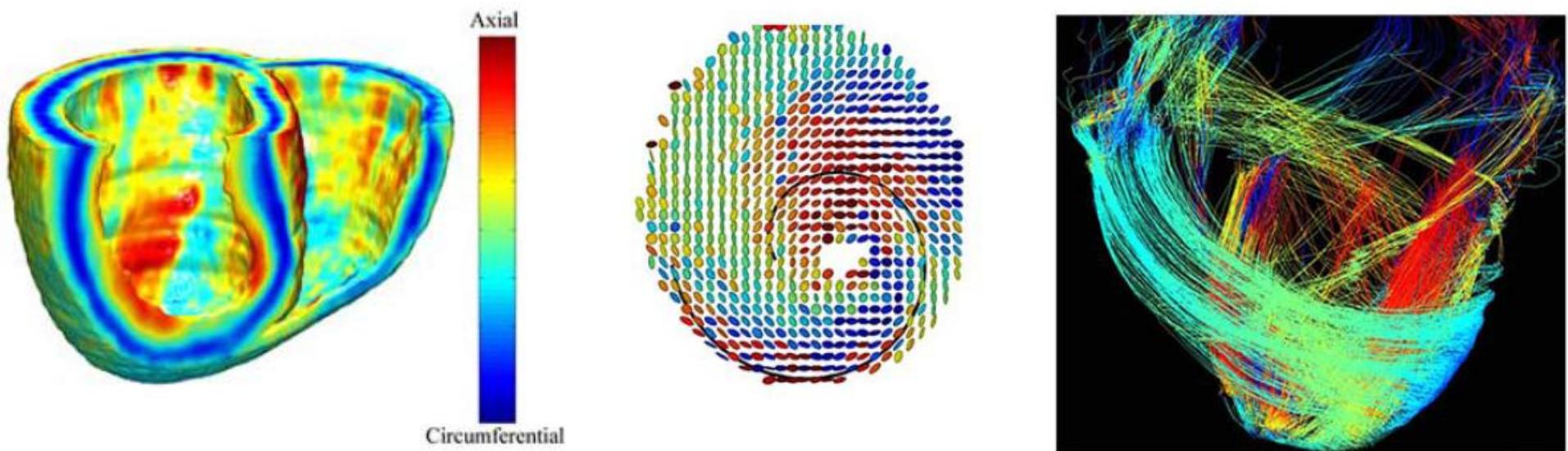
Cardiac Fibre Orientation

DT-MRI



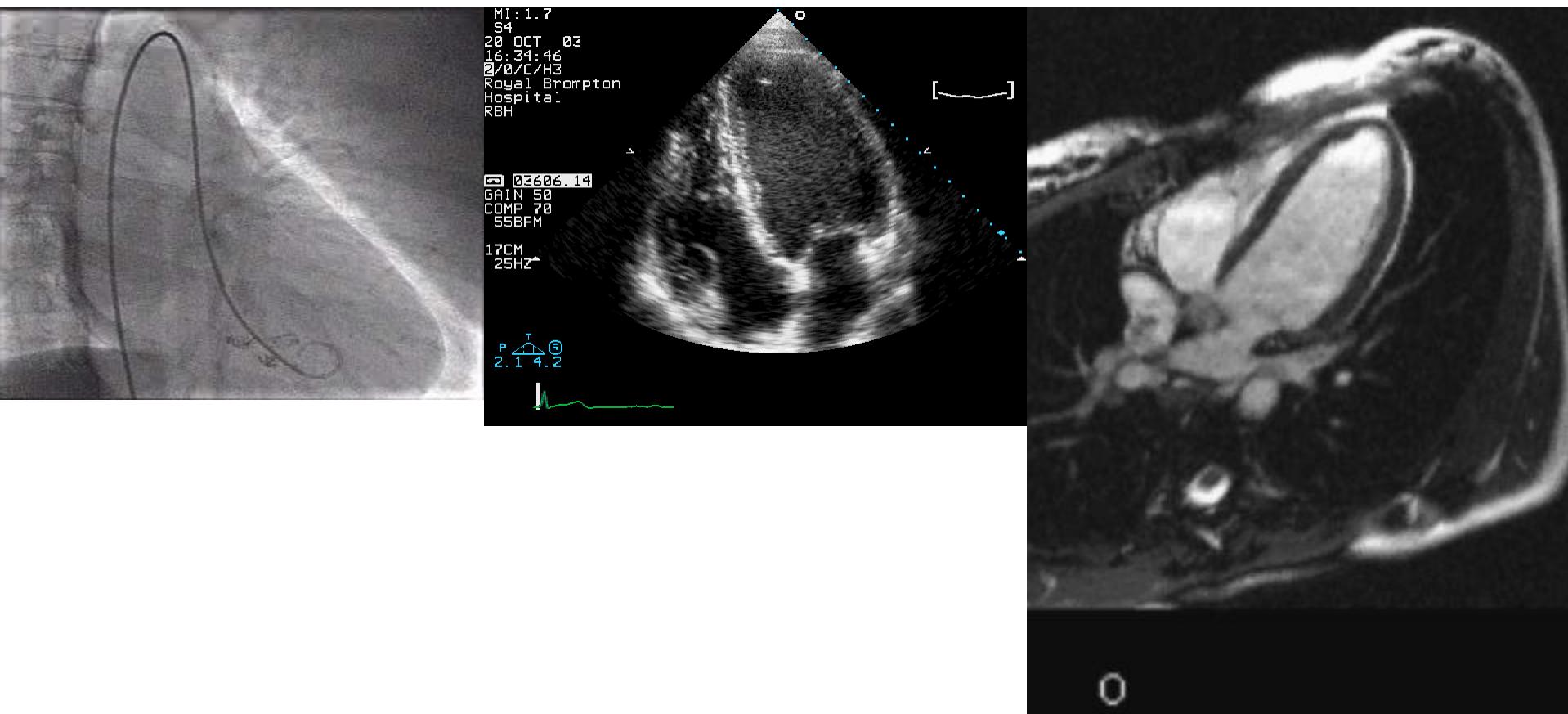
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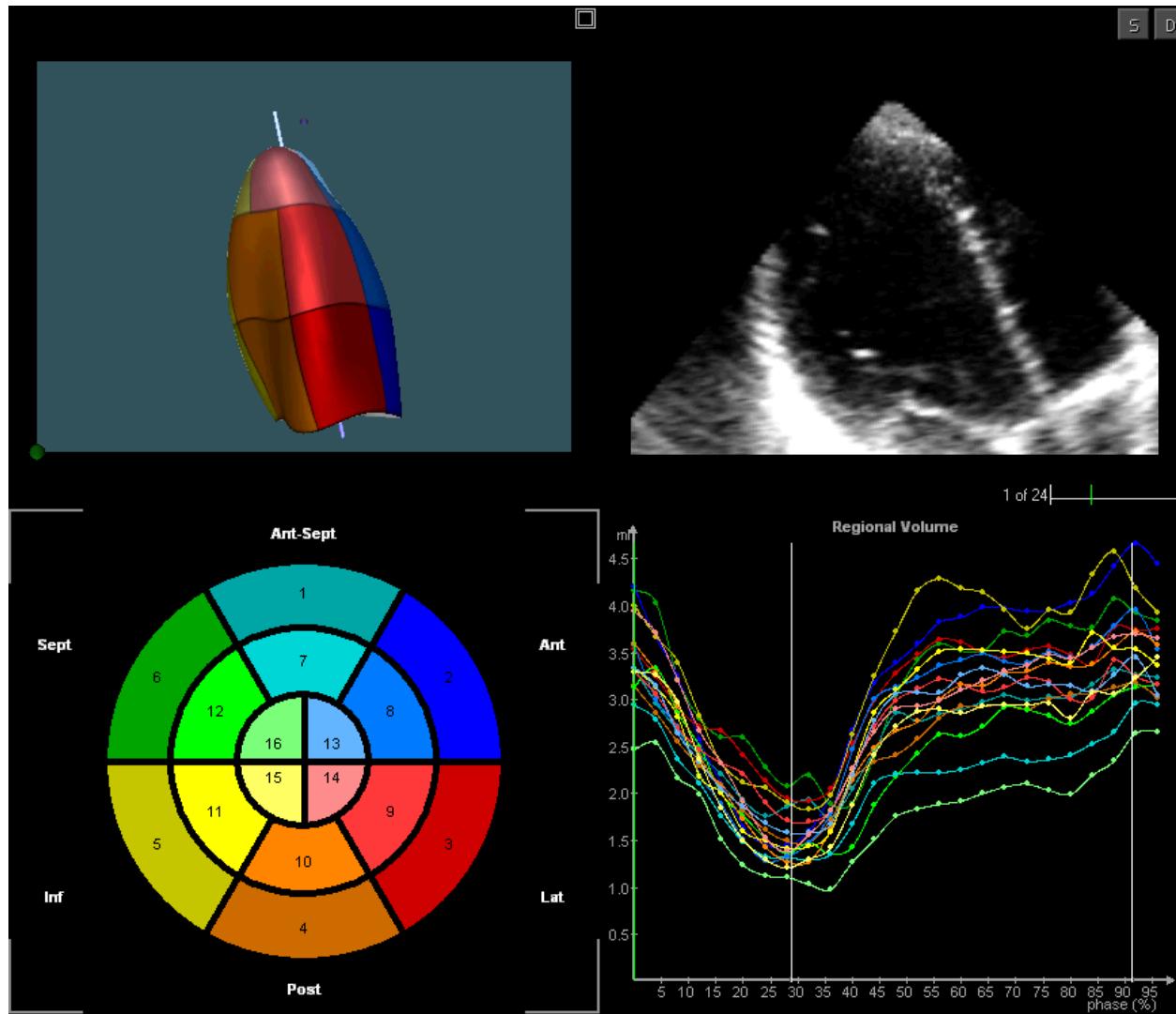


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Left Ventricular Ejection



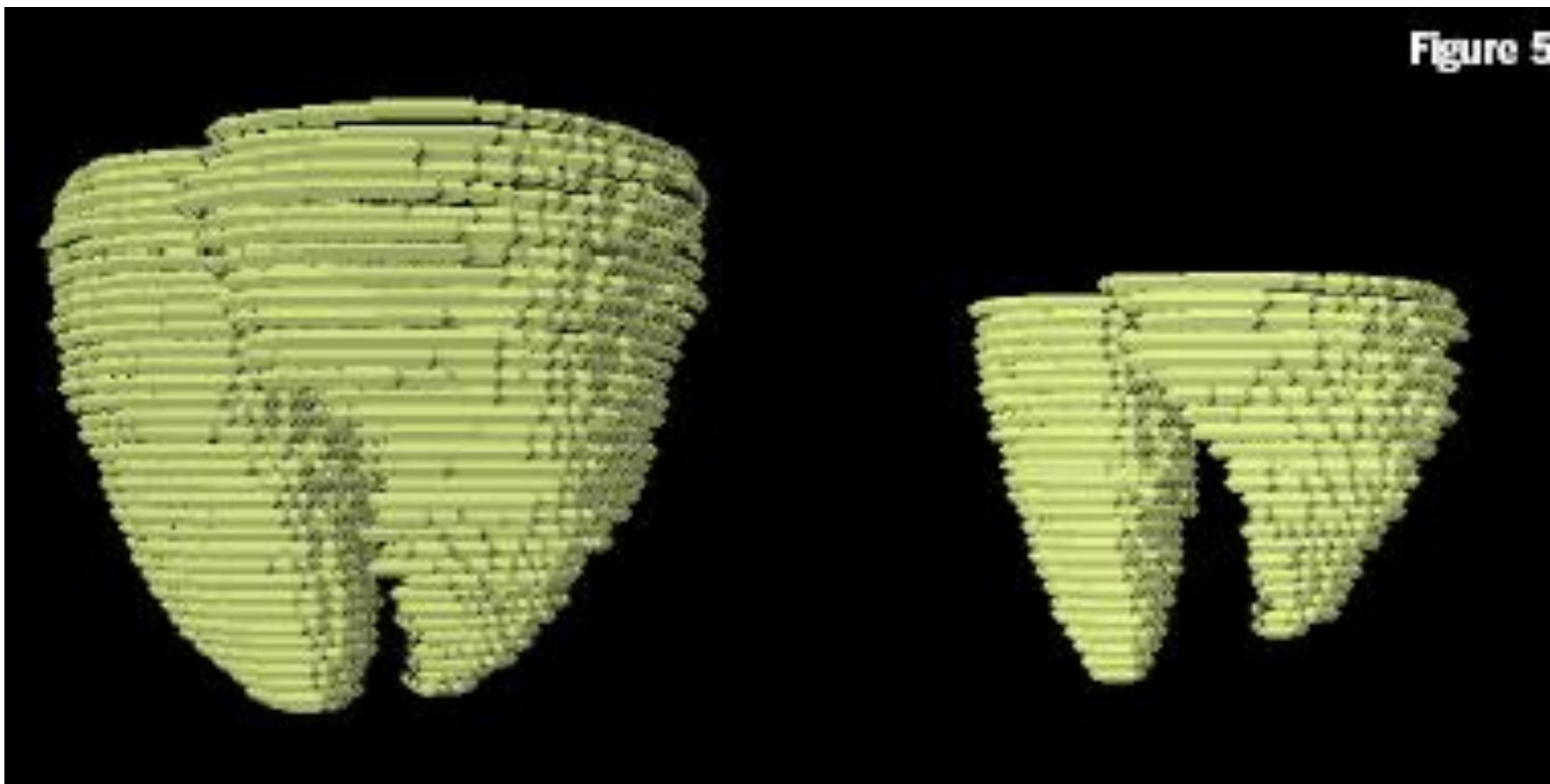
Left Ventricular Wall Motion



Ventricular Cavity / Blood Pool

End Diastole

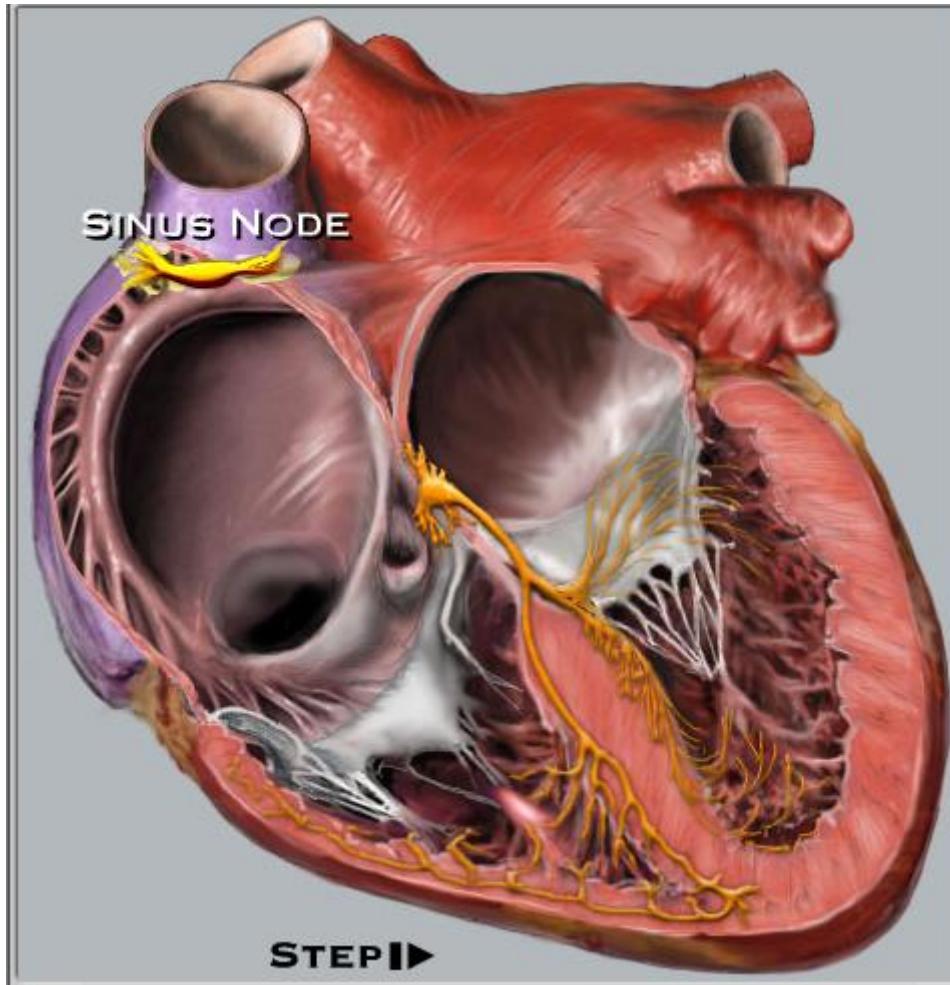
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Electrical Anatomy

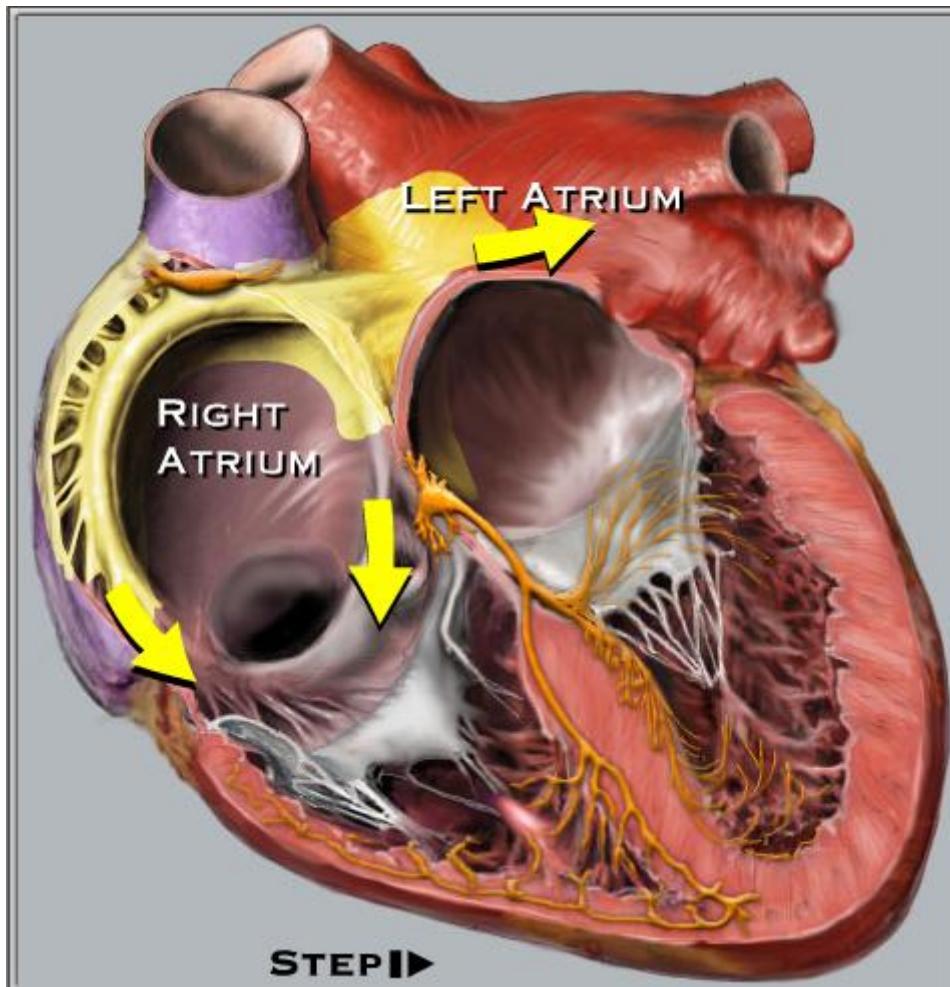
Cardiac Conduction System

Sinoatrial Node



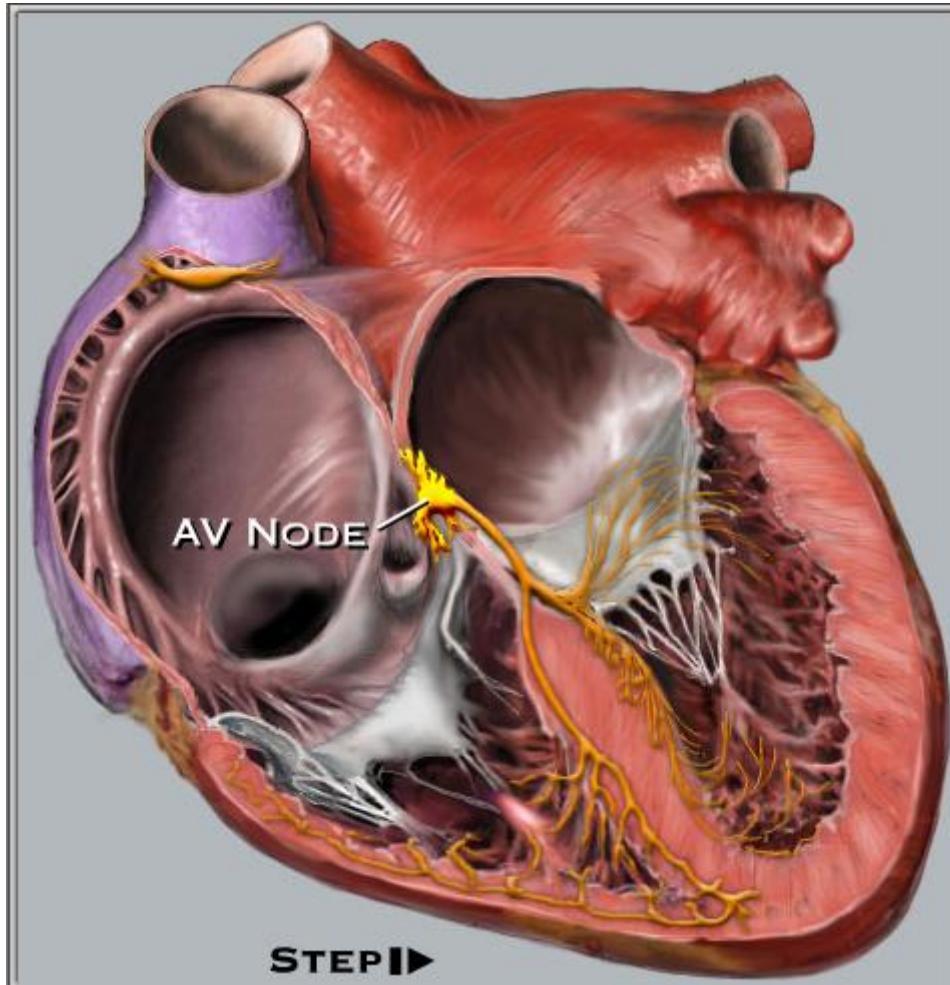
Cardiac Conduction System

Atrial Activation



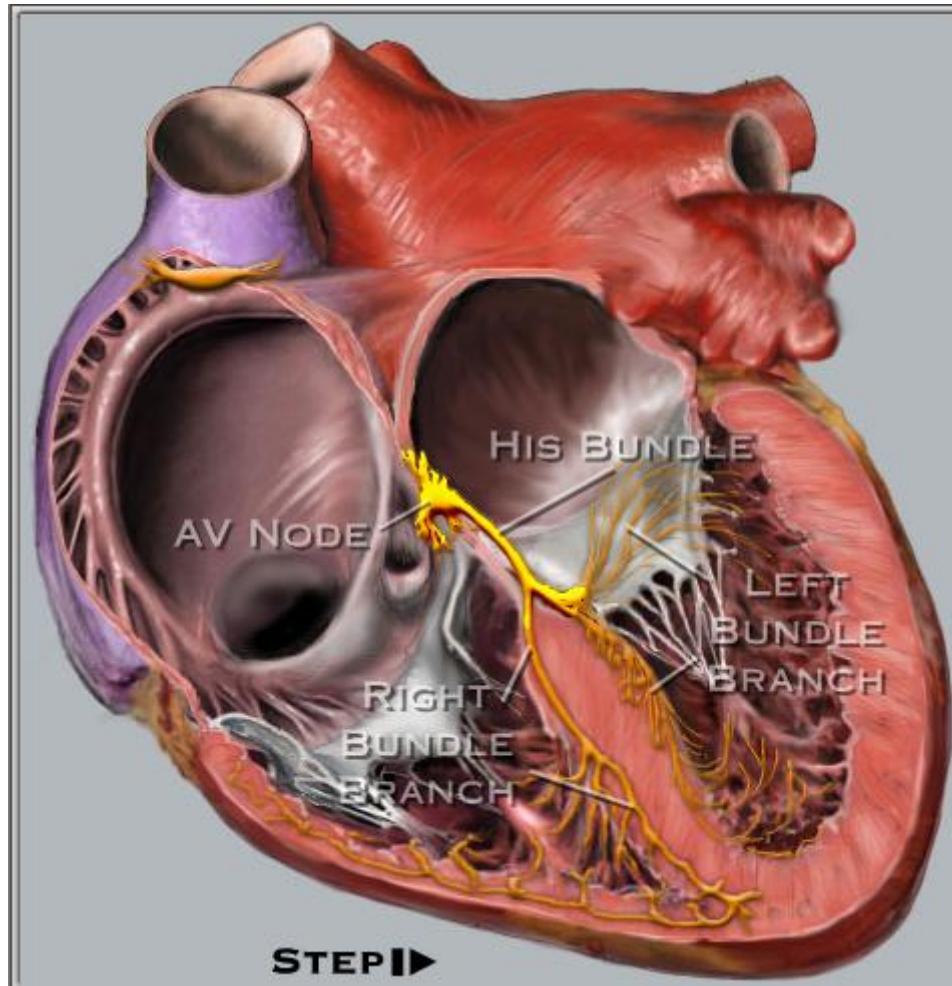
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Atrioventricular Nodal Conduction



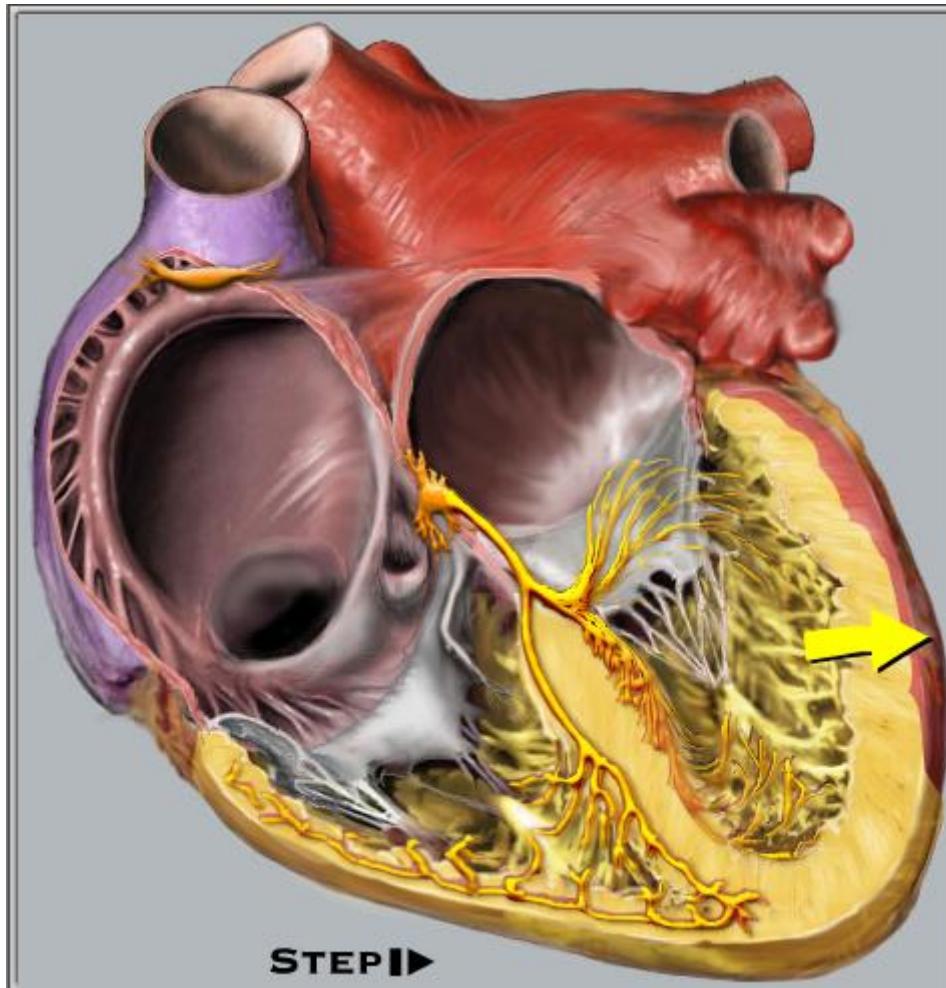
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Activation of His-Purkinje System

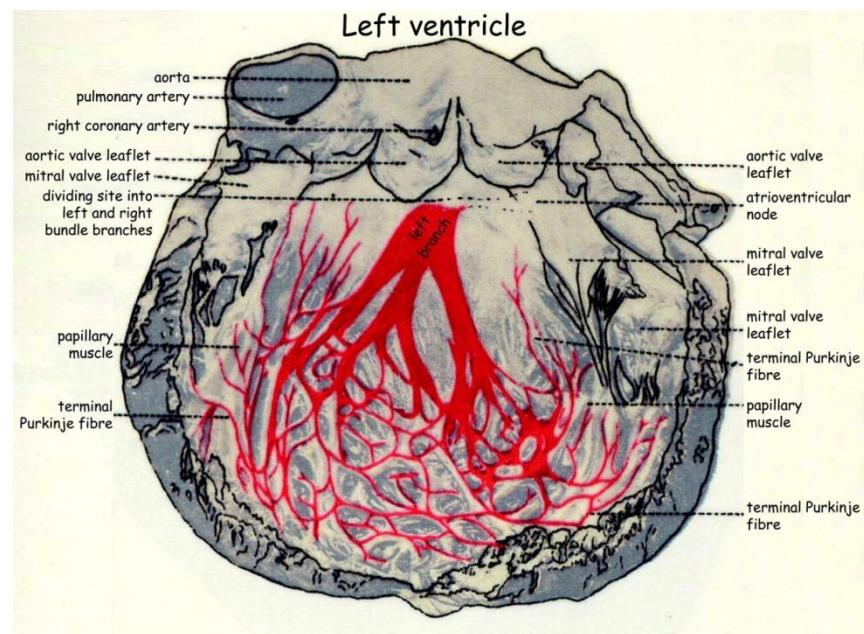


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Ventricular Activation

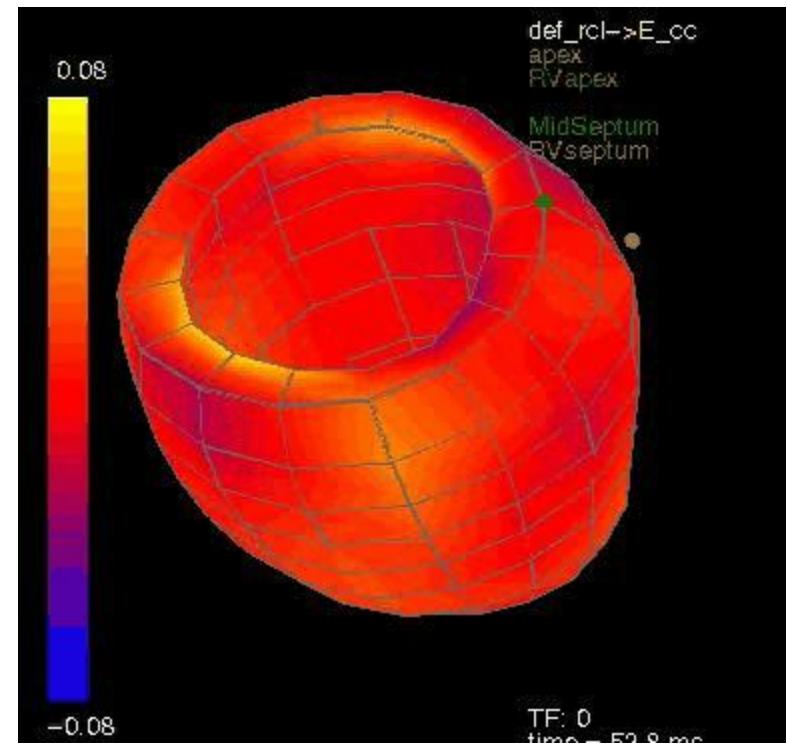
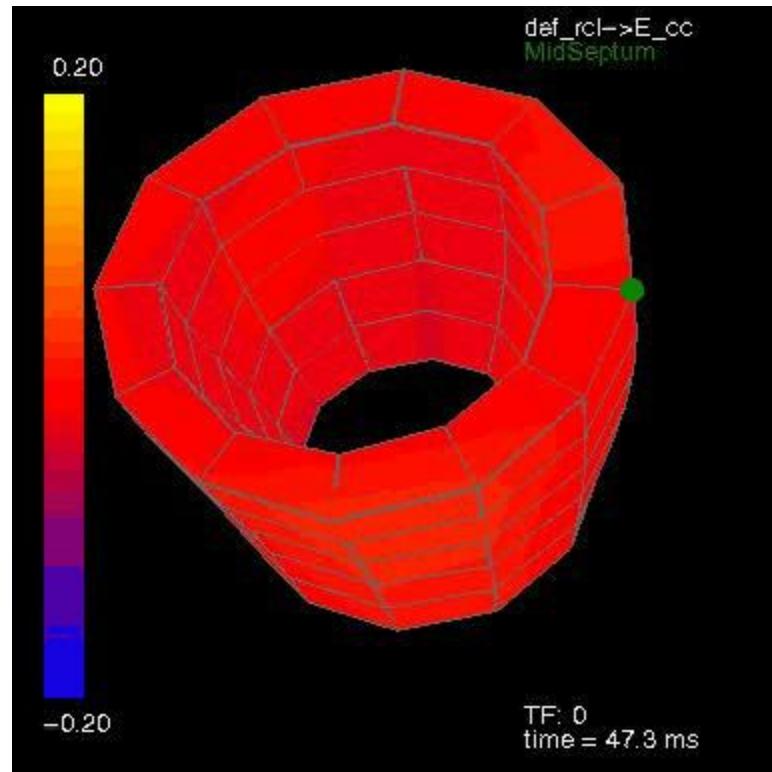


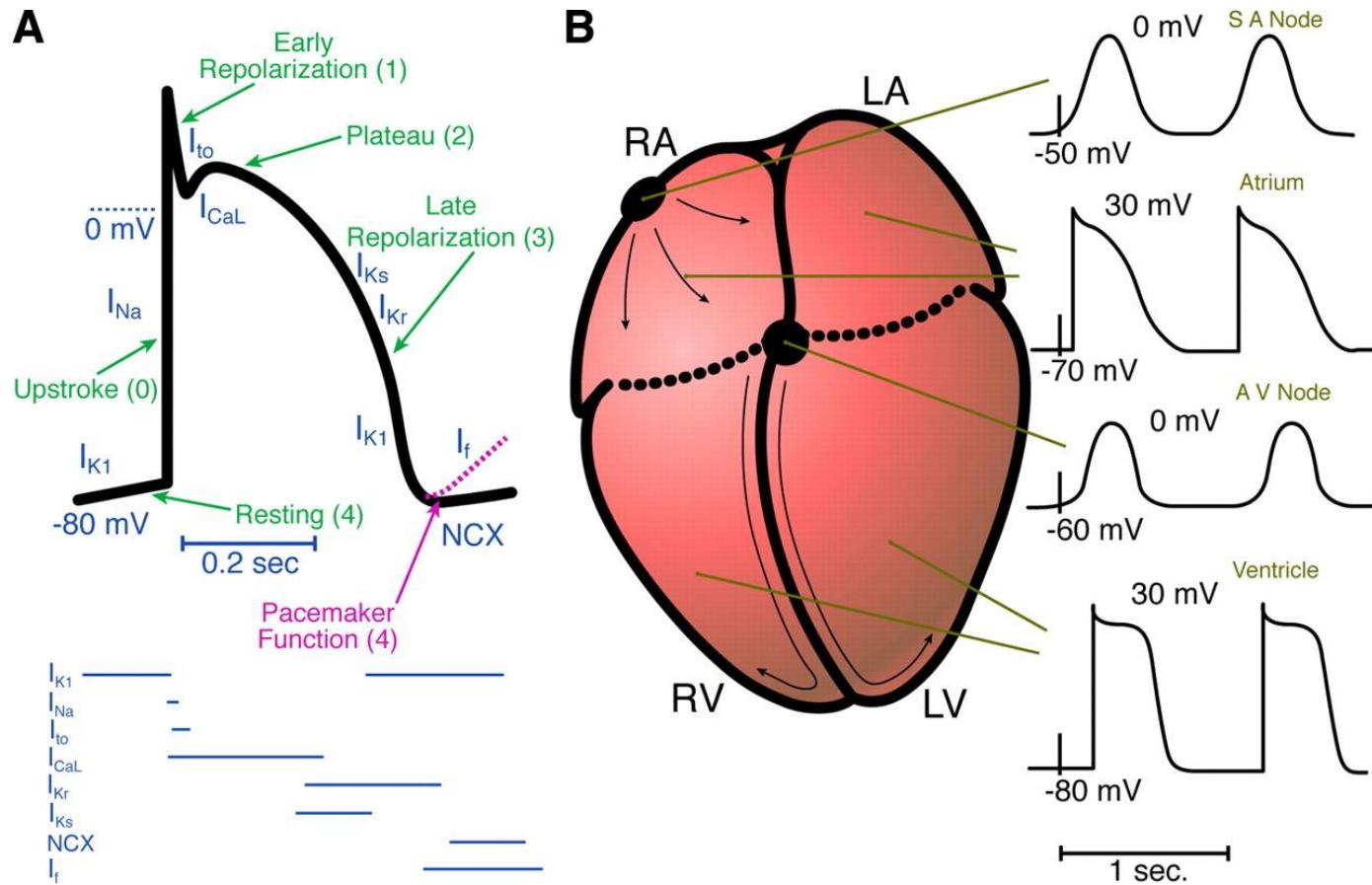
Left Bundle Branch



3D Left Ventricular Activation

Normal (left) and Dyssynchrony (right)



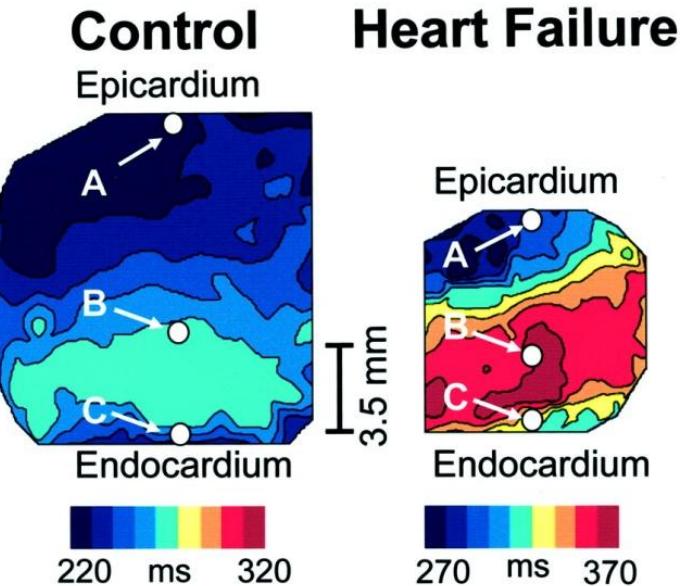
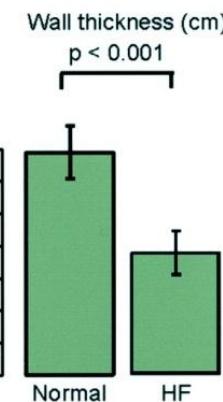
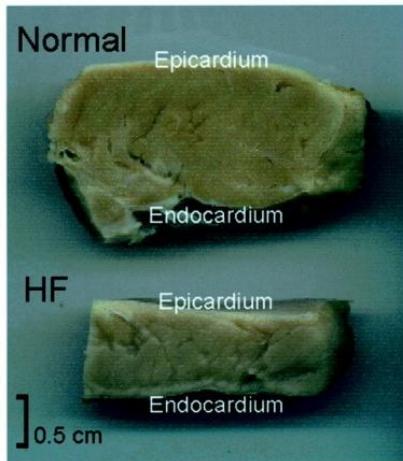


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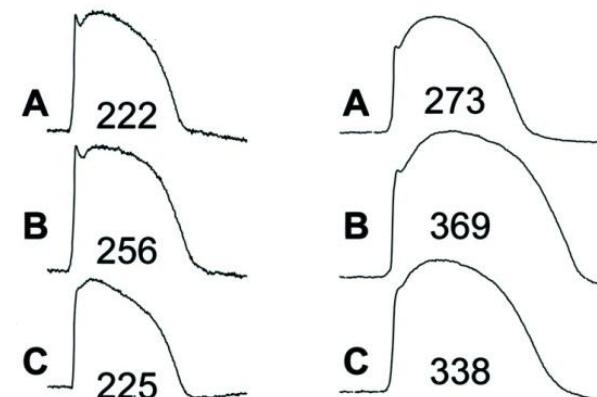
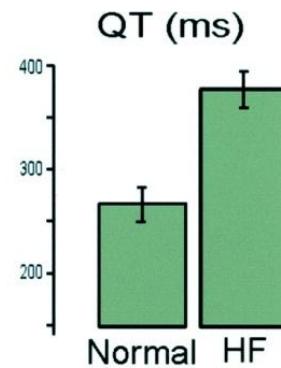
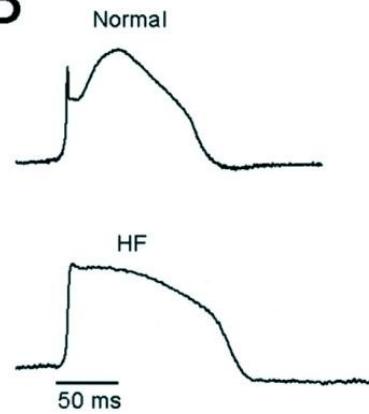
Transmural Gradients

APD Dispersion

A



B



Apical-Basal Gradients

1. Sympathetic Innervation

Heart Vessels (2003) 18:32–39

Hiroaki Kawano · Ryozo Okada · Katsusuke Yano

Histological study on the distribution of autonomic nerves in the human heart

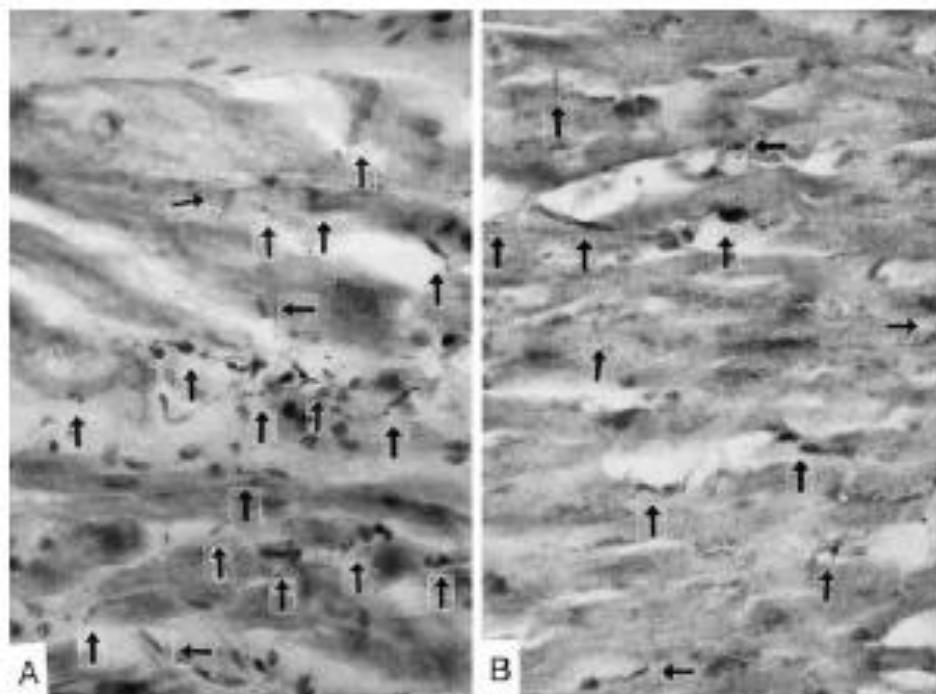


Fig. 7. TH-positive nerves at the base (**A**) and the apex (**B**) in the ventricle. TH-positive nerves (arrows) are distributed more at the base than at the apex

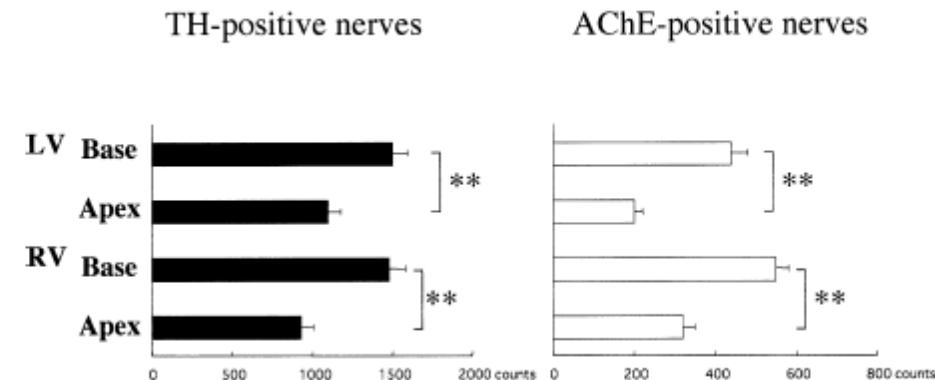


Fig. 11. Comparison of nerve distribution between the base and apex in the ventricle. Bar graph shows the total number of nerve-positive sections at the base and apex in the ventricle. *LV*, left ventricle; *RV*, right ventricle. ** $P < 0.01$

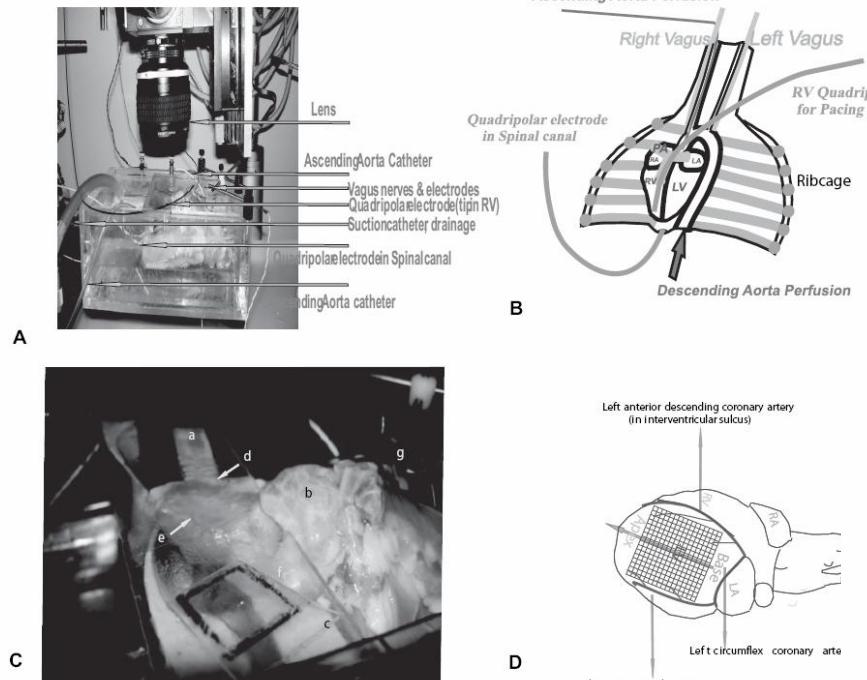
Apical-Basal Gradients

1. Sympathetic Innervation and APD Ventricular Repolarisation

Autonomic Nerve Stimulation Reverses Ventricular Repolarization Sequence in Rabbit Hearts

Rajkumar Mantravadi, Bethann Gabris, Tong Liu, Bum-Rak Choi, William C. de Groat,
G. André Ng, Guy Salama

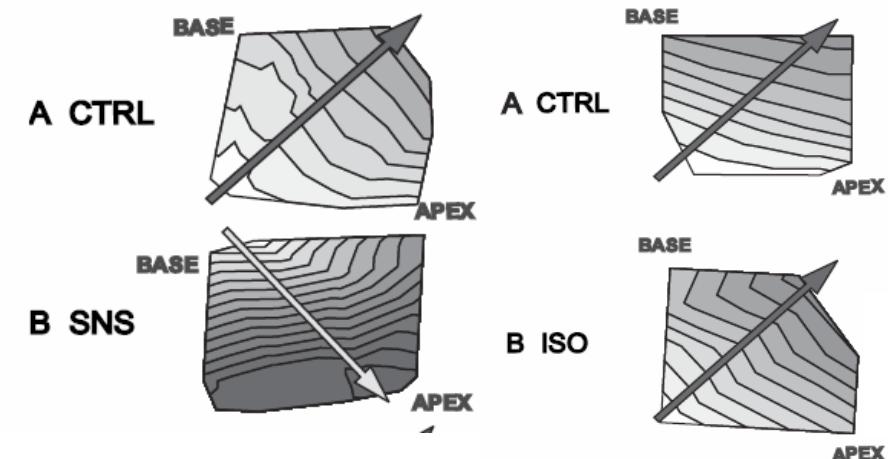
(*Circ Res.* 2007;100:e72–e80.)



DOR = Direction of repolarisation

Changes in Heart Rate, APDs, and DOR During SNS and VNS

	HR (beats/min)	APD Apex (ms)	APD Base (ms)	DOR (ms)
Control (n=14)	143±6.3	159±4.2	176±4.0	17±0.7
SNS (n=7)	229±13.2*	155±12.0	134±9.3*	-22±1.6*
ISO (n=5)	204±13.1*	115±4.4*	138±5.0*	23±1.6*



Apical-Basal Gradients

2. β Adrenoceptor Density

Dog

Increased responsiveness of left ventricular apical myocardium to adrenergic stimuli

Hidezo Mori, Shiro Ishikawa, Shoji Kojima, Junichi Hayashi, Yukihiko Watanabe, Julien I E Hoffman, and Haruka Okino

Cardiovascular Research 1993;27:192-198

Table IV Distribution of β adrenergic receptor density ($n=5$). Values are means (SEM).

	Basal segment	Mid segment	Apical segment
B_{max} (fmol·mg ⁻¹ protein)	341(35)*	377(32)*	455(45)
K_d (nM)	2.0(0.6)	2.3(0.4)	2.3(0.6)

B_{max} =density of receptors; K_d =dissociation constant.

*p<0.05 v apical segment, two way ANOVA

Cat

European Journal of Pharmacology, 130 (1986) 111–117
Elsevier

Regional distribution of myocardial β -adrenoceptors in the cat

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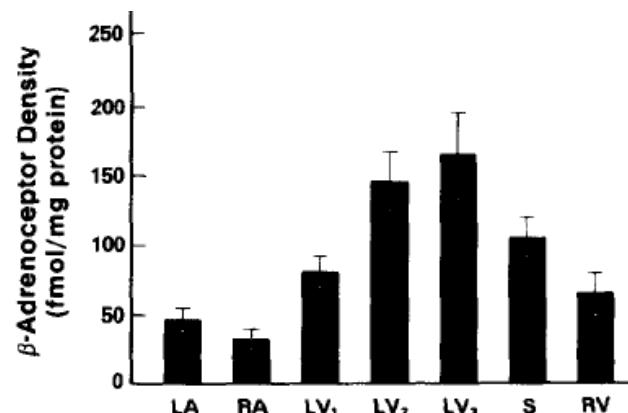


Fig. 2. Distribution of cardiac β -adrenoceptors. The density of β receptors (fmol/mg protein) is shown for the following areas of the heart: LA = left atria; RA = right atria; LV₁ = proximal area of distribution of the left anterior descending artery (LAD); LV₂ = distal area of distribution of the LAD; LV₃ = posterior aspect of the left ventricle; S = septum and RV = right ventricle.

Apical-Basal Gradients

2. β Adrenoceptor Density

European Journal of Pharmacology 485 (2004) 227–234

Blockade of β_1 - and desensitization of β_2 -adrenoceptors reduce isoprenaline-induced cardiac fibrosis

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Paul M. Vanhoutte^c, Philippe Lechat^{a,*}

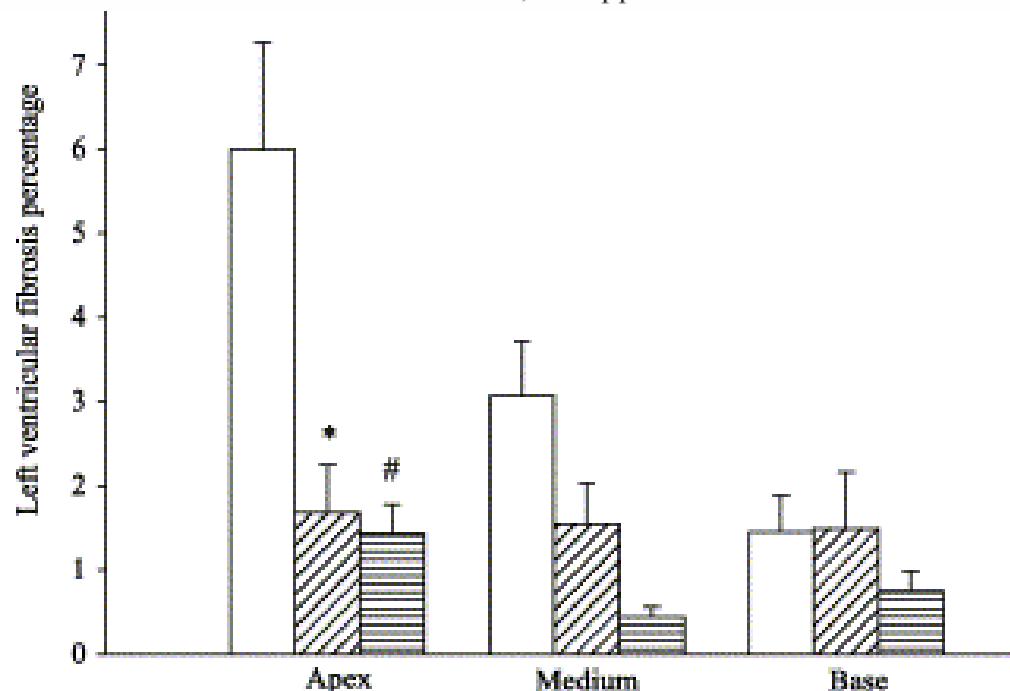


Fig. 4. Morphometric analysis performed at three levels of the heart in rats treated chronically with isoprenaline alone (30 $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}/\text{h}$, $n=9$, □), in combination with bisoprolol (50 $\text{mg}/\text{kg}/\text{day}$, $n=9$,), or after a 1-week pretreatment with salbutamol (40 $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}/\text{h}$, $n=9$,). (A) Left ventricular fibrosis expressed as percent of left ventricular area.