

Your Blood & Cardiovascular System




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Cardiovascular system:

- Heart
- Blood vessels
- Blood

Major function:

Carry gases, nutrients, wastes

1 place  another place
in body

- Cardiovascular

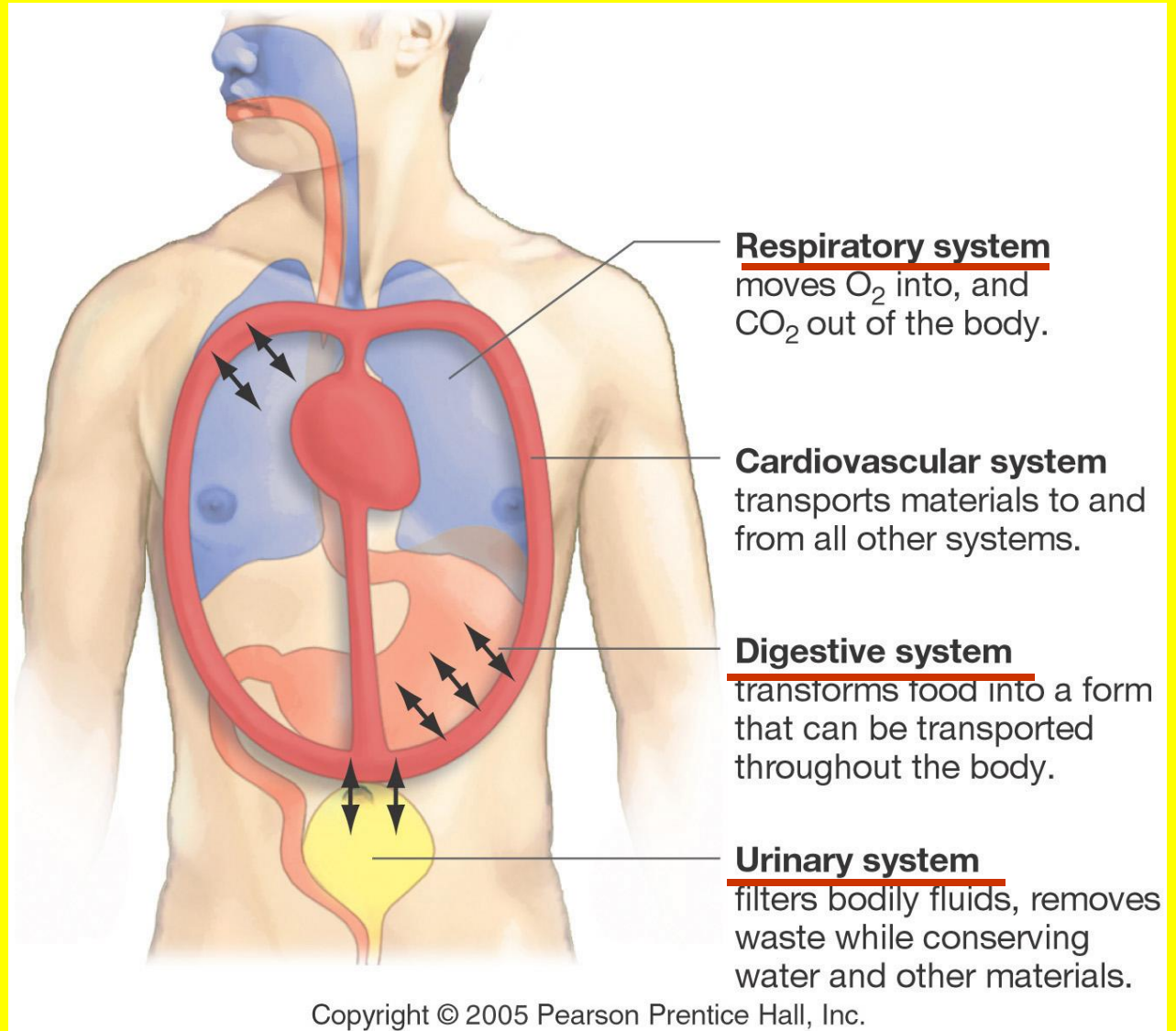
system:

critical

for **3**

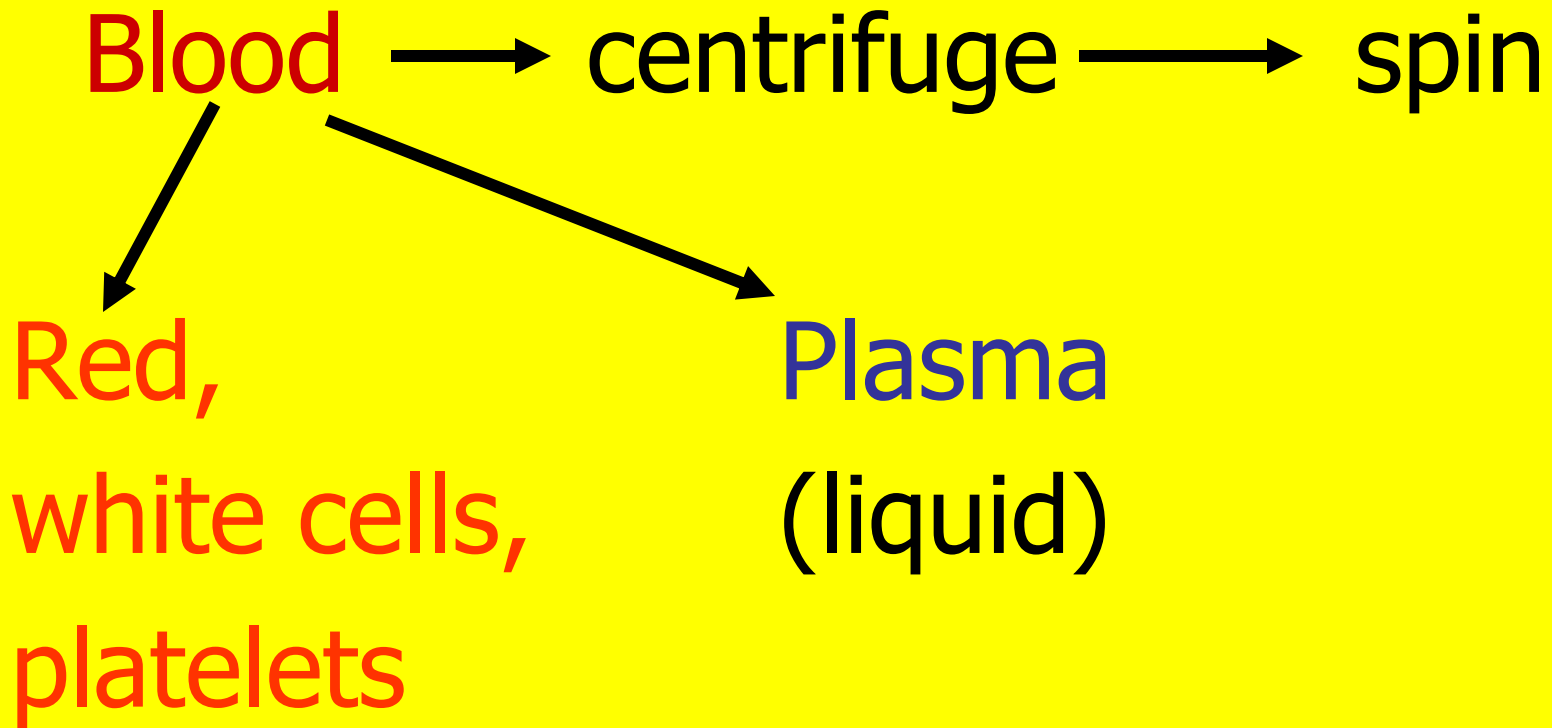
other

systems



What's carried in your blood?


1. **Cells:** red, white, platelets
2. **Nutrients:** glucose, amino acids, fats
3. **Vitamins:** A, B, C, D, E, K
4. **Wastes:** urea, CO₂
5. **Gases:** O₂, CO₂
6. **Hormones:** insulin
7. **Proteins:** hemoglobin



Red Blood Cells (RBC's)

- Contain hemoglobin
- Carry O_2 : Lungs \rightarrow Tissues
- CO_2 (cell respiration)

carried in plasma +
hemoglobin

Exhaled \leftarrow lungs 

RBC: cell membrane + hemoglobin

- No nucleus
- Biconcave shape
- Live **120** days
- Wear out:

Trapped in liver,
spleen, bone
marrow: destroyed-
phagocytes: parts
recycled

RBC's, white blood cells, platelets:
produced from **stem cells** in red
blood marrow

White blood cells (WBC's)

- Important: your immune system
- Travel in blood

→ Tissue- site
of injury/invasion
bacteria/viruses/
foreign organism

Platelets: not cells- parts of cells:
contain enzymes

Important: **blood clotting:**
temporary plug in injured blood
vessel

Followed by **clotting**

process-

permanent

plug

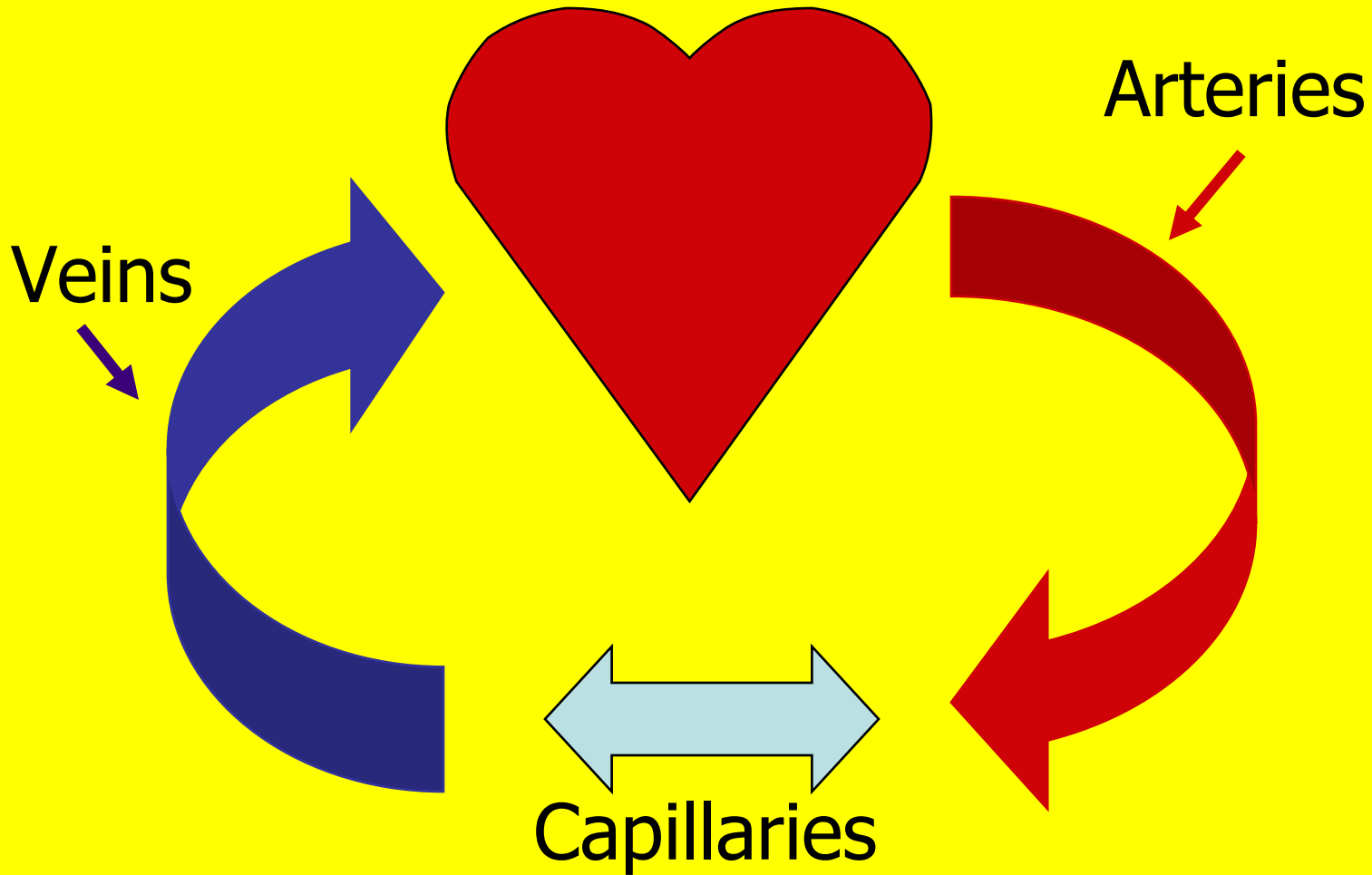
Plasma: 92% water

Plasma proteins

1. **Albumin** (liver): carry hormones & fatty acids
2. **Fibrinogen** (liver): important-clotting process
3. **Immunoglobulins**= antibodies
Attack foreign proteins/disease causing organisms
4. **Lipoproteins**: carry fat: LDL & HDL

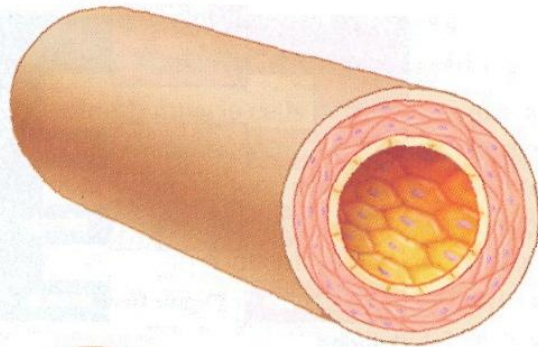
Blood vessels: different size tubes-
like plumbing pipes

Draw the circulatory system

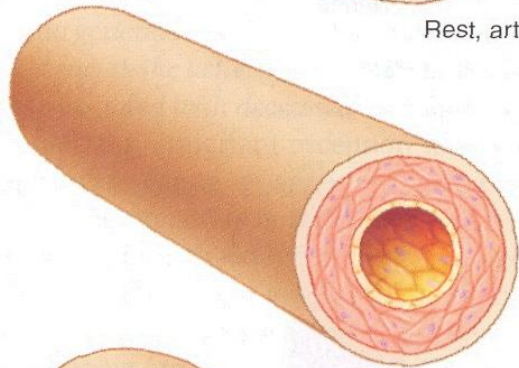


Blood vessels: can change
diameter: nerve impulses
smooth muscle cells in walls

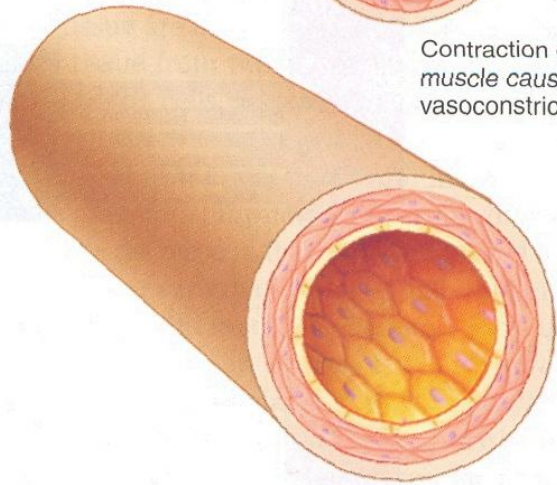
- 1. Vasoconstriction**: smaller
- 2. Vasodilation**: larger



Rest, arteriolar tone

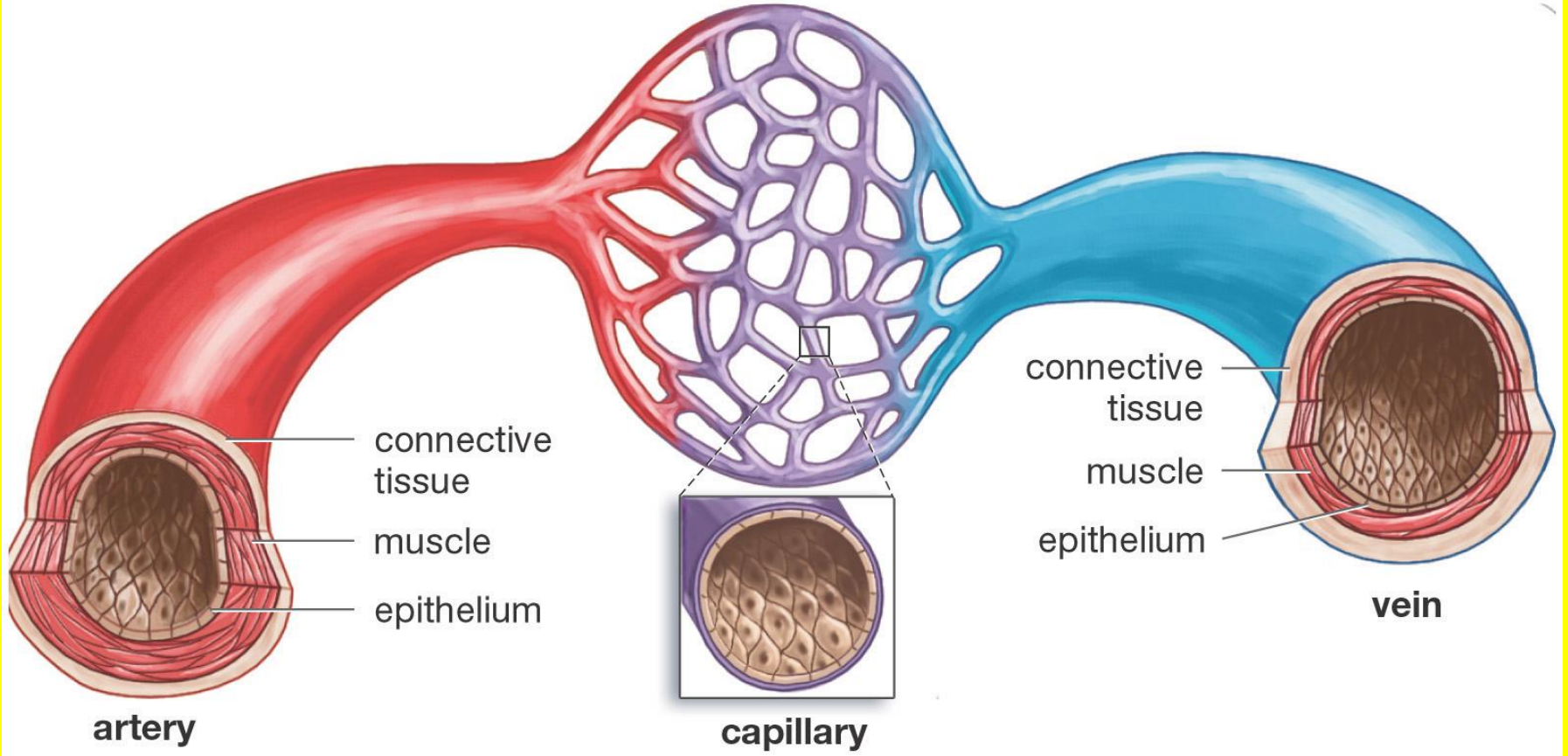


Contraction of smooth muscle causes vasoconstriction



Relaxation of smooth muscle causes vasodilation

1. **Arteries**: carry blood away from heart A=AWAY
2. Connect to **capillaries**: walls-
single layer of cells: O₂ & CO₂
move in & out of tissues
3. **Veins**: return blood back to heart



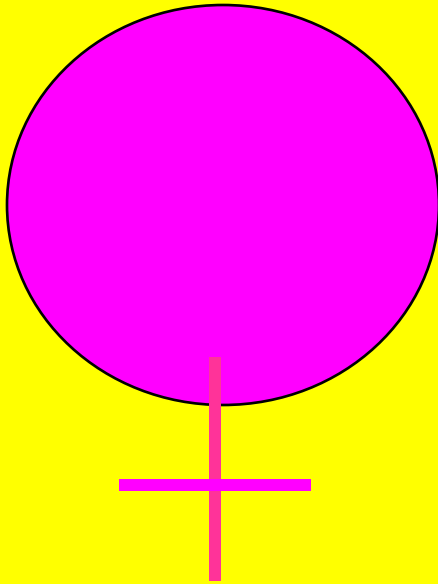
Pulse: Throbbing-
expansion/contraction of artery in
time with heartbeat

Resting Heart Rate: rate needed
to supply tissues at rest

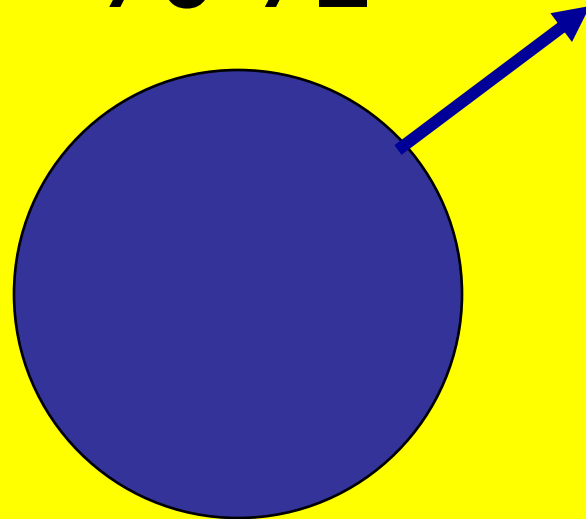
- Measure- morning before getting
up
- Aerobic exercise: ↓ resting rate

Pulse rate (beats/minute)

78-82



70-72

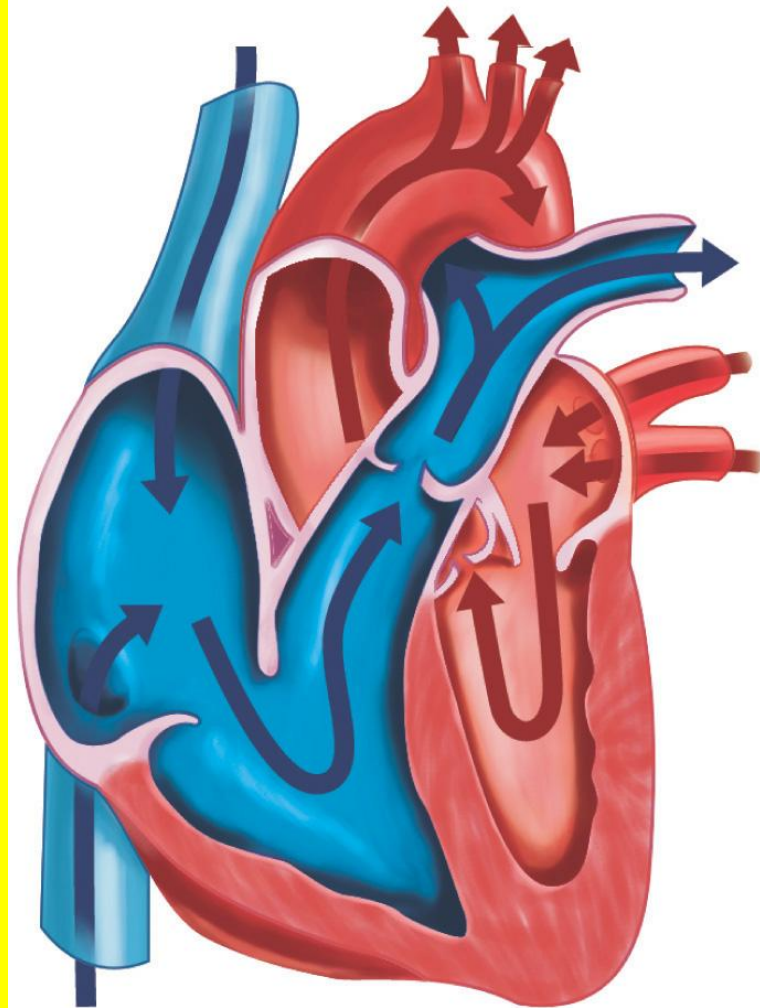


Your heart

2 upper
chambers:
right & left
atria

2 lower
chambers
right & left
ventricles

(b)

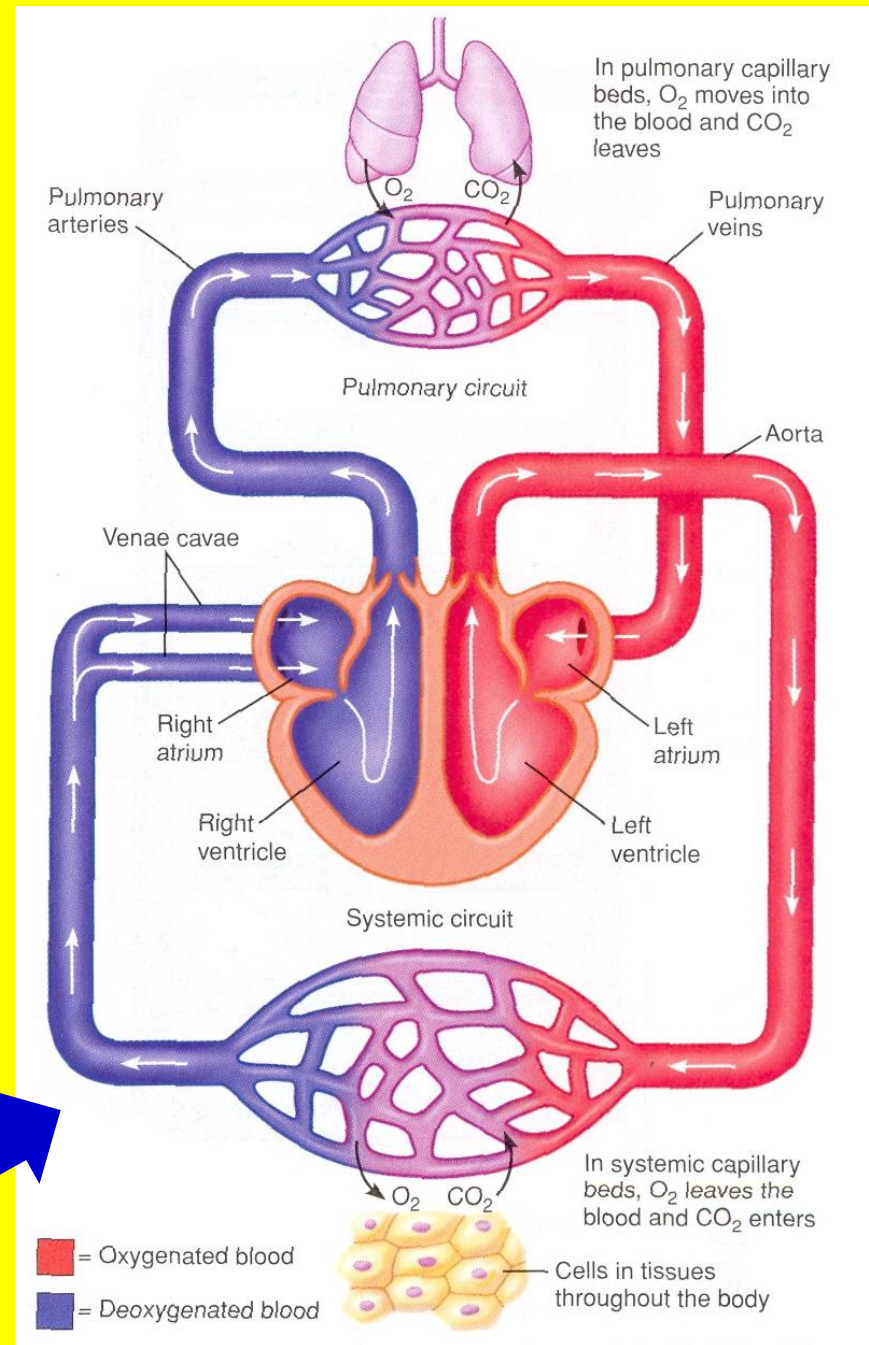


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Pretend you are a single red blood cell

Trace your movement through the circulatory system

- Right atrium to right ventricle
- Right atrium
- 2 vena cava (large veins)
- Blood in veins- returning from tissues- darker red (deoxygenated)



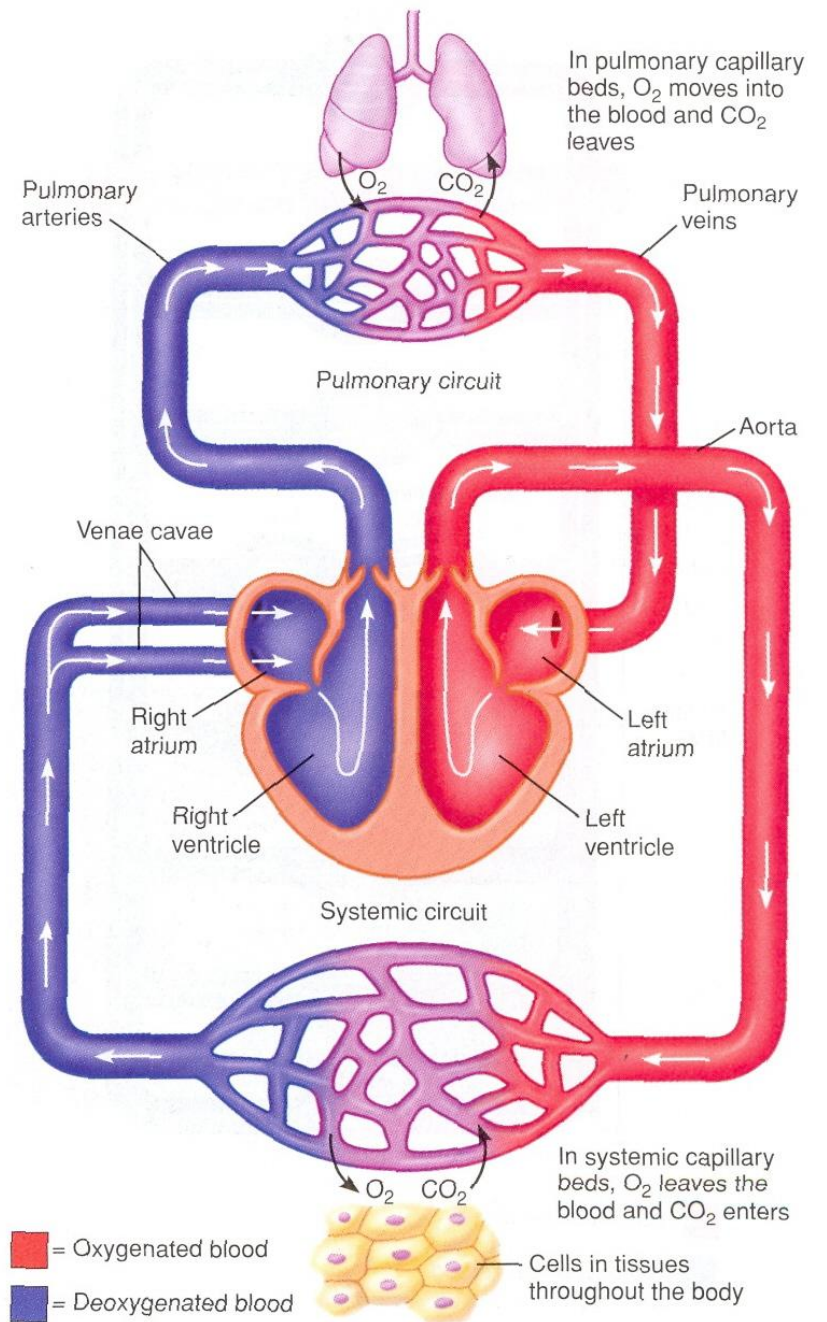
Valves close- no
backflow

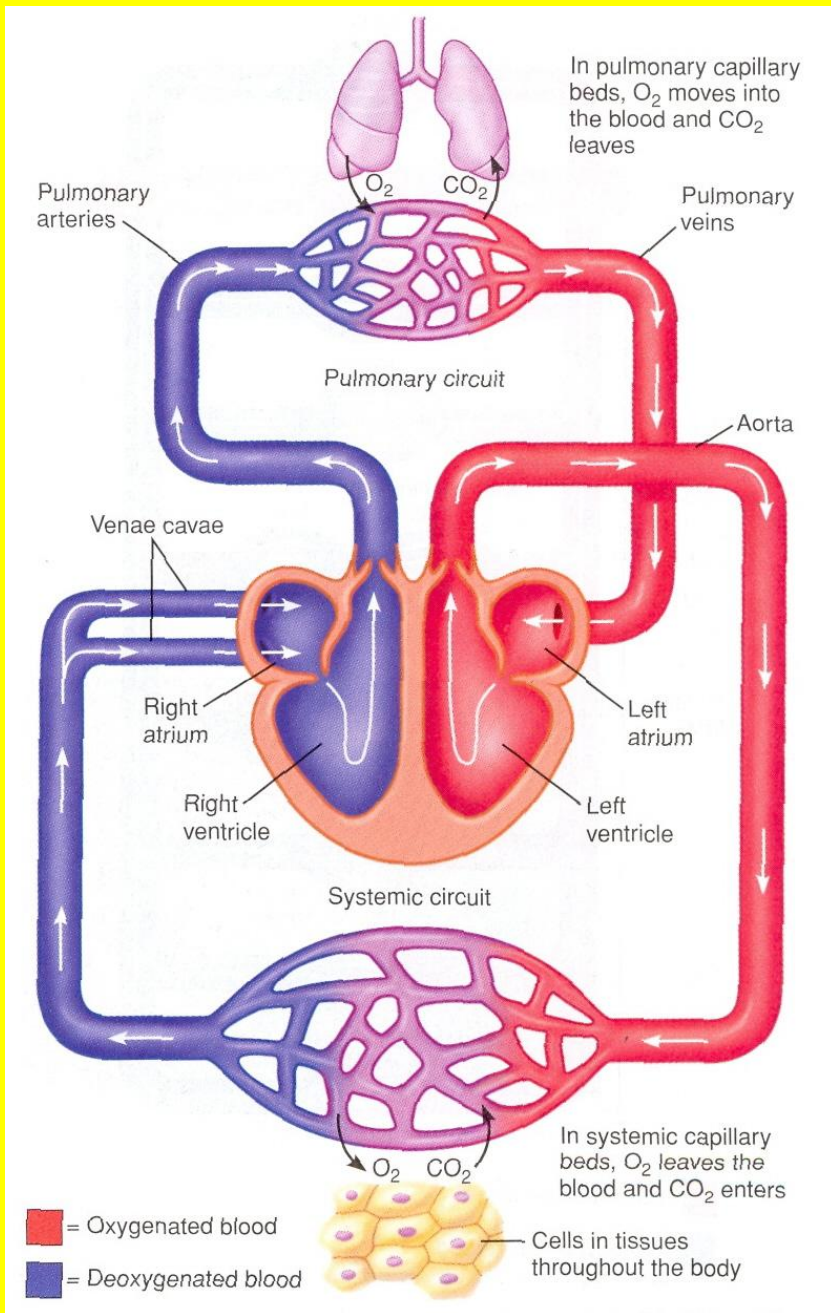


Right ventricle:
blood to **lungs**



Give up **CO₂**
Pick up **O₂**





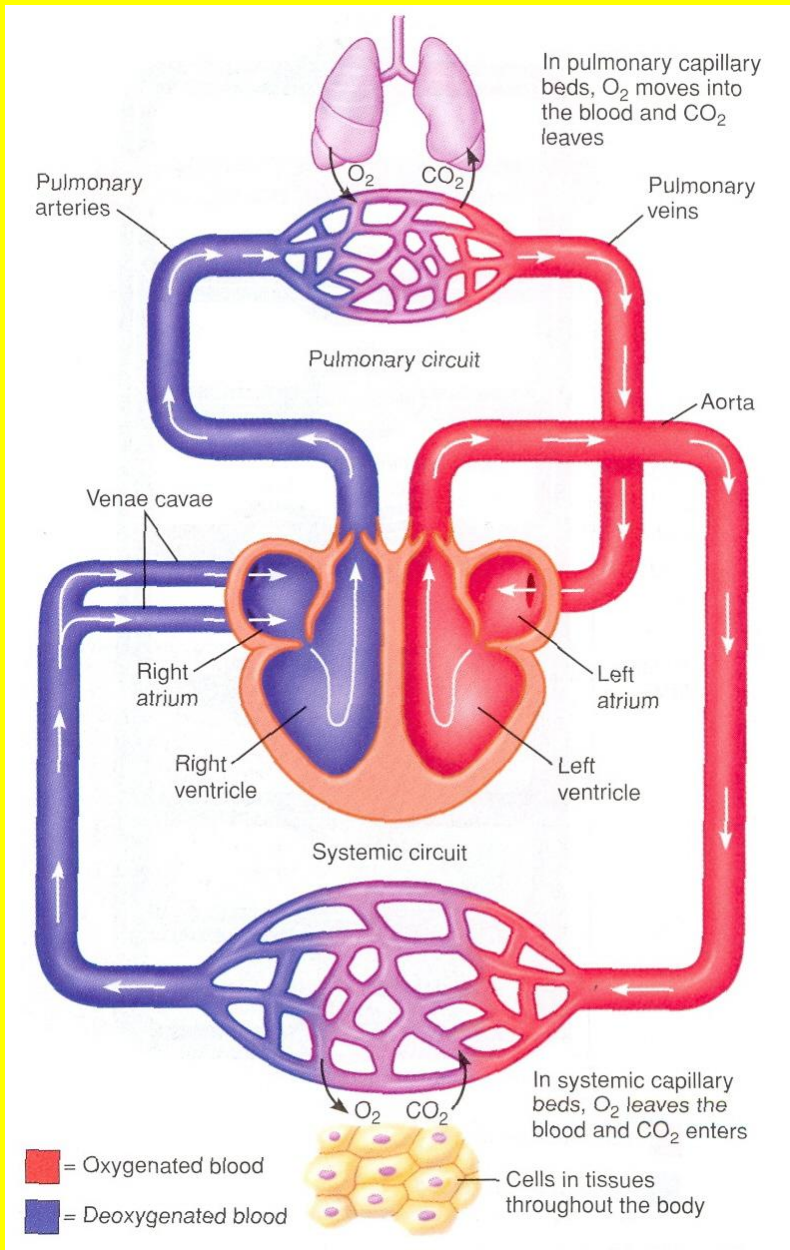
Blood (redder-
oxygenated)

returns to **left
atrium**



left atrium to
left ventricle

Values: ~~backflow~~



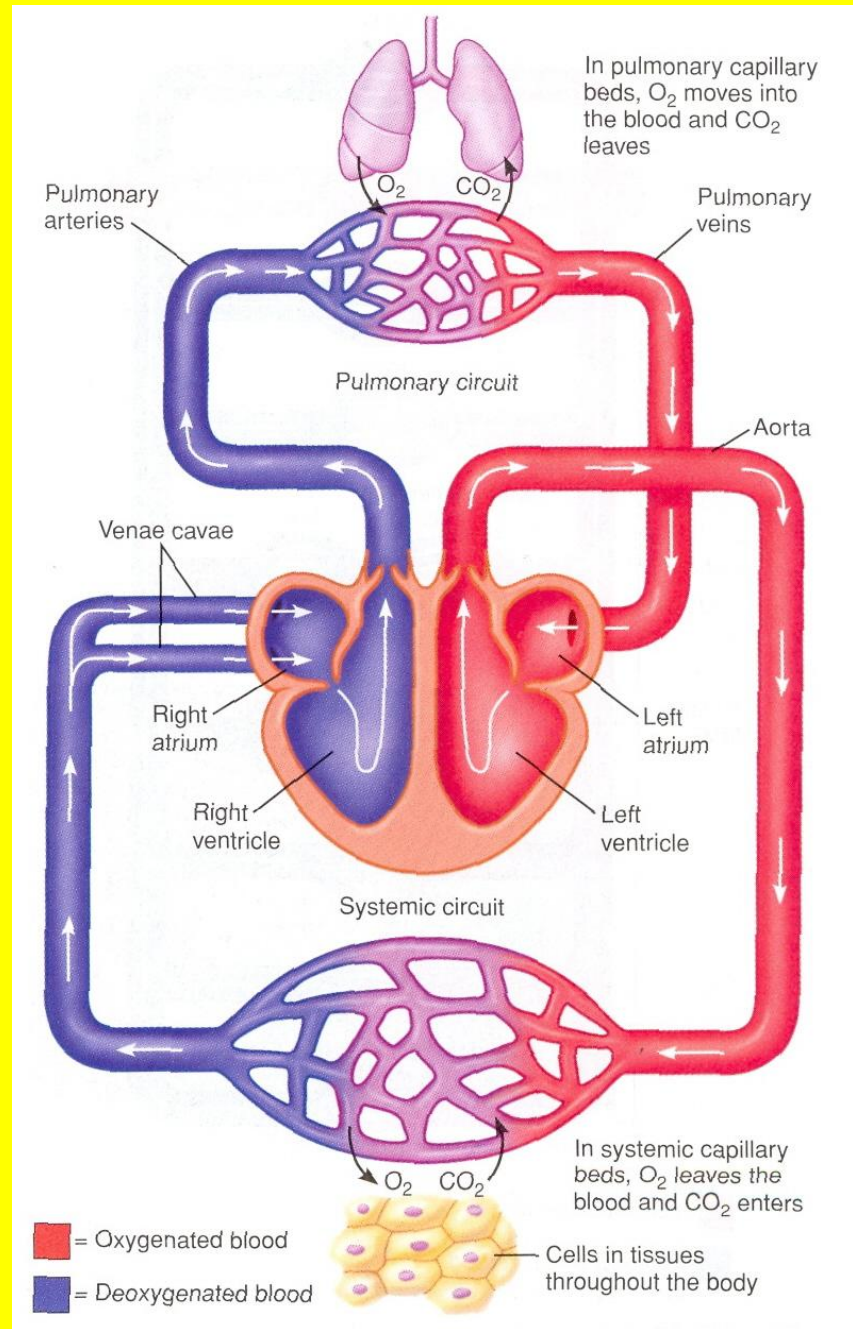
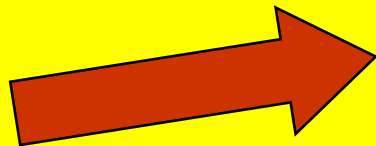
Left ventricle to
aorta (large artery)

valves: ~~backflow~~

Blood to head &
 entire body

Supply tissues **O_2**

End in **capillary bed** where you started



Artery



Arteriole



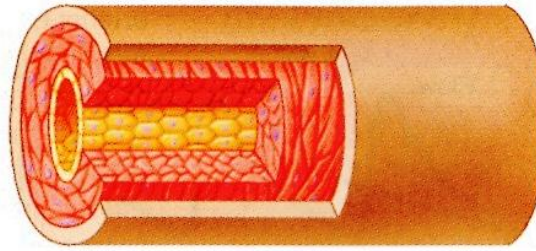
Capillary (bed)



Venule

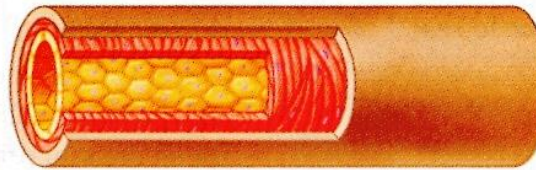


Vein



Artery

Muscular, highly elastic



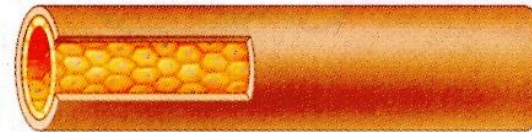
Arteriole

Muscular, well innervated



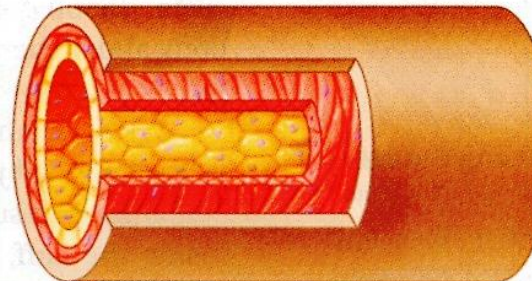
Capillary

Thin-walled, highly permeable



Venule

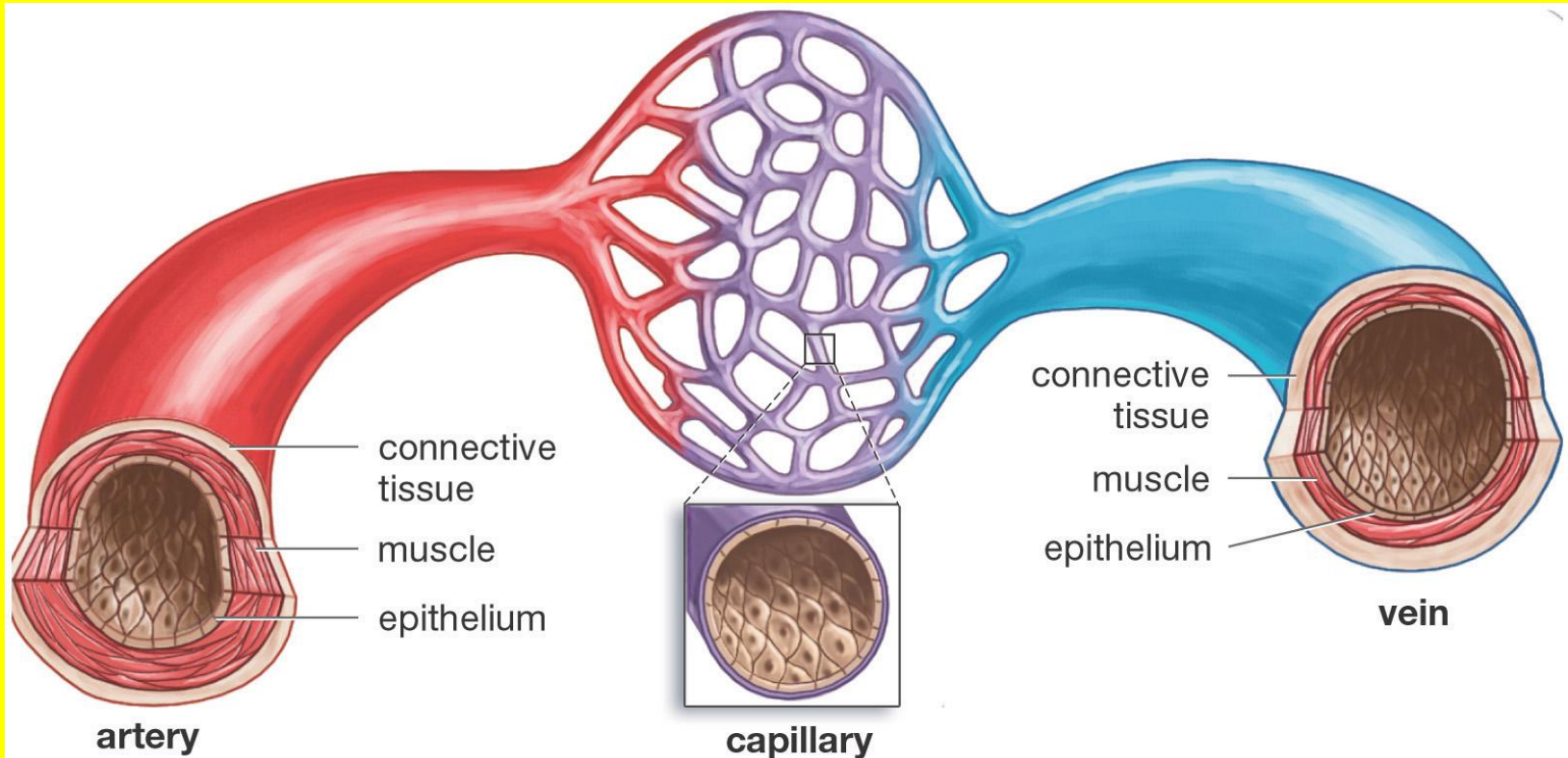
Thin-walled, some smooth muscle



Vein

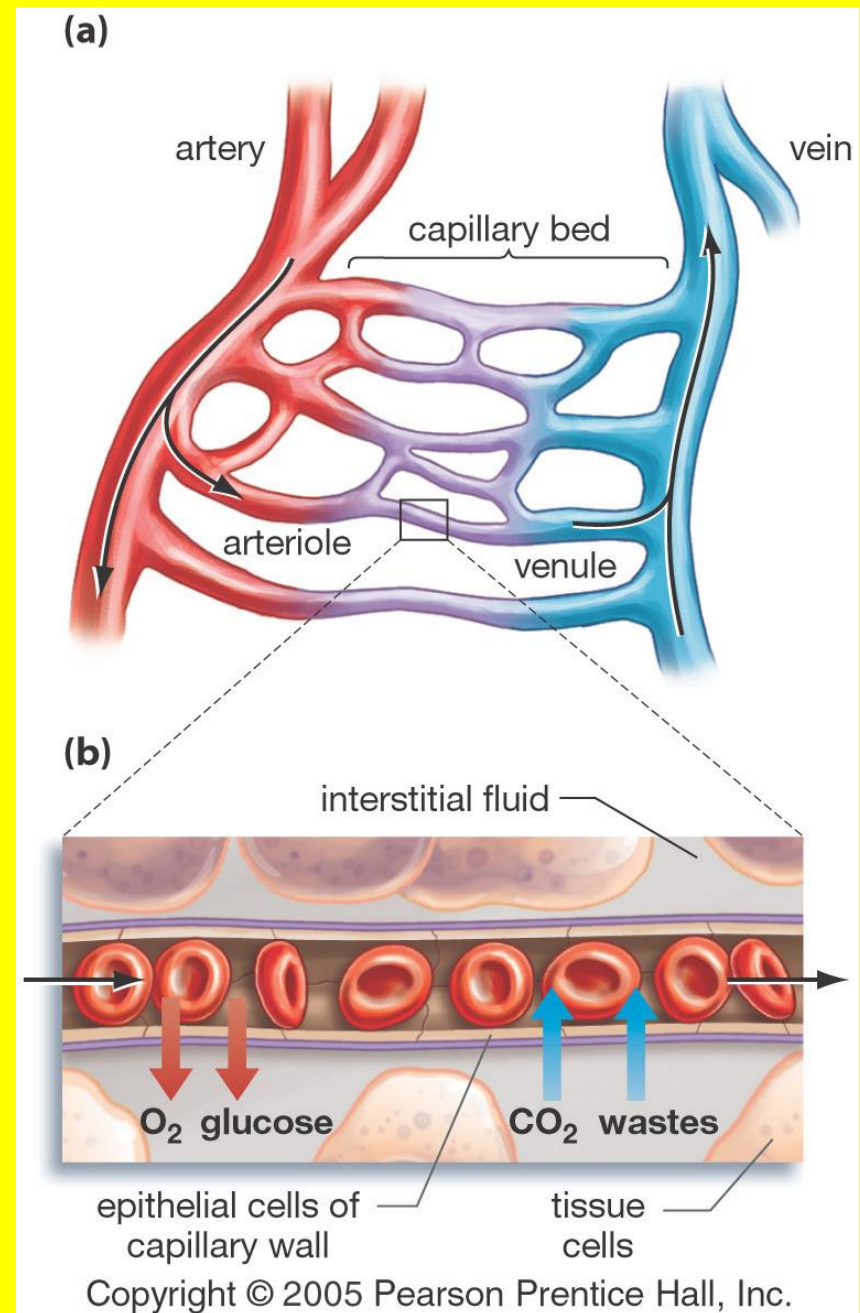
Thin-walled (compared to arteries), fairly muscular, highly distensible

Capillary bed: where the **action** is in all tissues

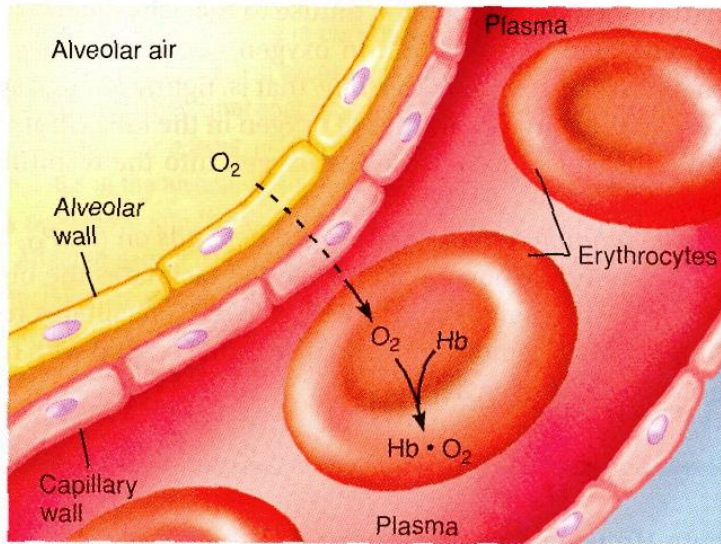
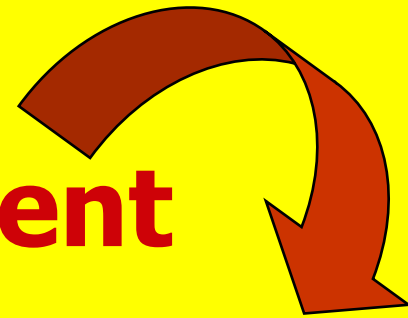


Capillaries:
small,
very **thin-**
walls: single
cell layer
RBC's move
through
single file

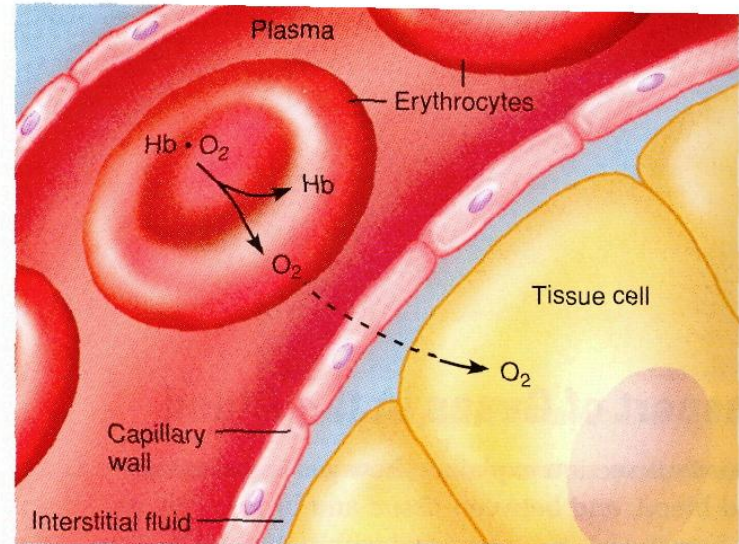
O₂, glucose
diffuse from
inside capillary
to fluid
surrounding
cells → cells
for metabolism:
Energy & ATP's



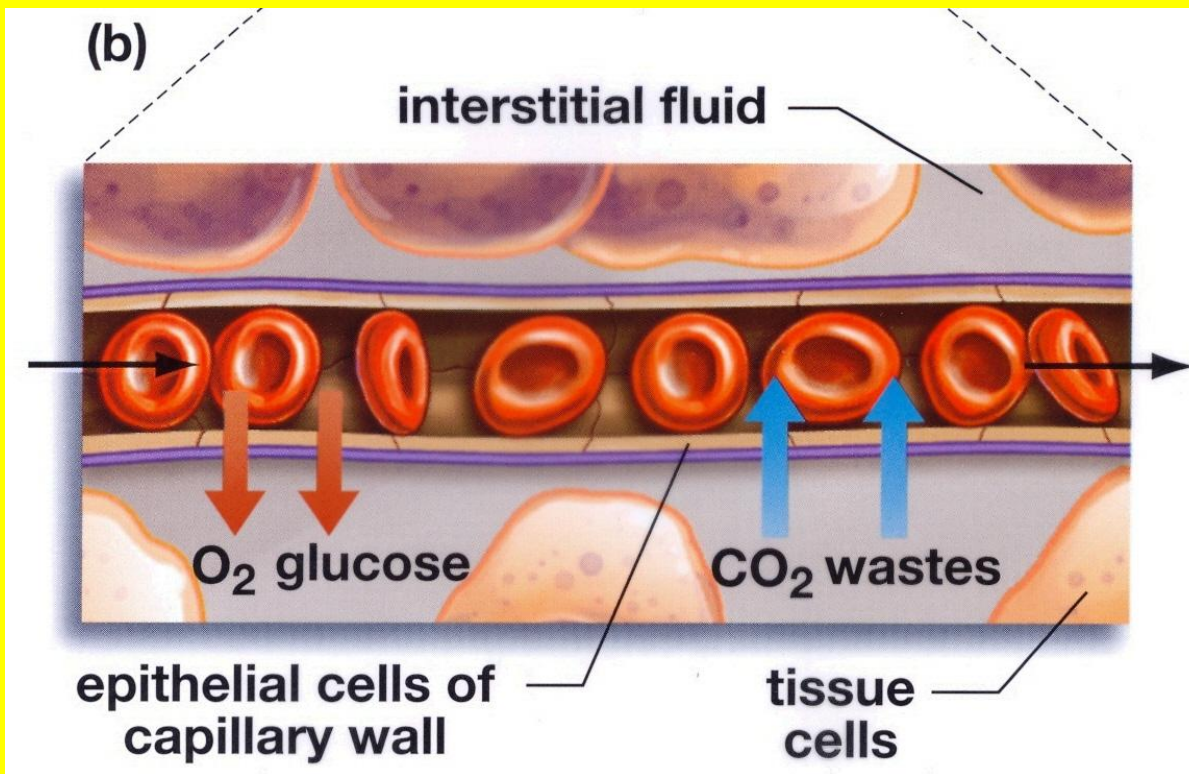
O₂, glucose diffuse from high concentration (blood) to lower concentration (cells):
concentration gradient



(a)



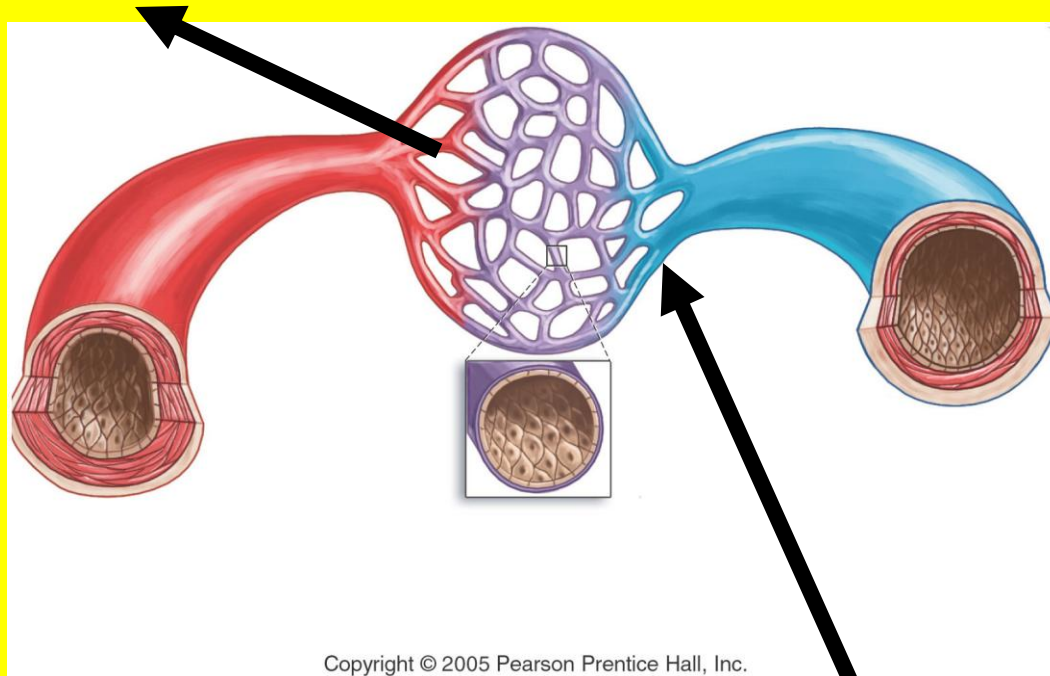
(b)



CO₂ (waste from cell respiration)
diffuses from cells to blood in
capillaries → lungs (**high** → **low**)

Capillary walls: “selectively permeable”: allow H₂O to move in and out but fewer proteins (too big)

At this end (**high pressure**)- water moves out of capillaries to cells



At this end (**lower pressure**)- water moves back into capillary blood by **osmosis**

Blood pressure in **veins: low**

How does blood get back to heart?

Answer: your

skeletal

muscles- when

they contract:

squeeze veins-

helps blood move

back to heart

Valves in veins prevent backflow

Varicose veins:

defective veins-
backflow of blood

Pregnancy, jobs
people standing
all day, obesity

William Harvey:
discovered
circulatory
system: 1628

Demonstrated
valves in **veins**

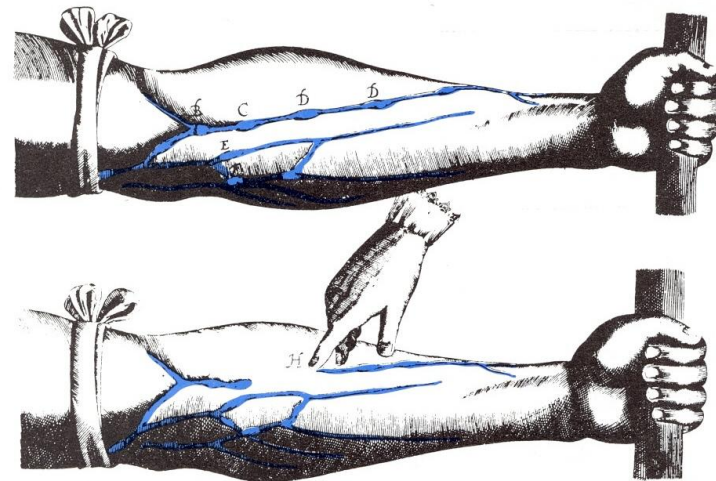


Figure 14.1 William Harvey Demonstrating the Role of the Veins. Harvey displayed the veins and their valves by dissection of animals and by tying ligatures around the arms of humans. Ligatures blocked the return of venous blood to the heart, allowing the veins and valvular areas (B, C, D, E, and F) to swell with blood. When Harvey pressed his finger on a vein and slid the finger toward the heart, blood flowed through the valves, and the vein refilled from below. But when he slid the finger away from the heart (H), blood was stopped at each valve, and the vein did not refill. He concluded that the valves allow blood to flow only toward the heart. (Photograph © 1959, Parke-Davis Division of Warner-Lambert Co.; drawing from W. Harvey, *de Motu Cordis*, 1628, opp. p. 56, the Granger Collection.)

How your heart beats

Pumping
(contraction)
and filling
(relaxation)
= cardiac
cycle

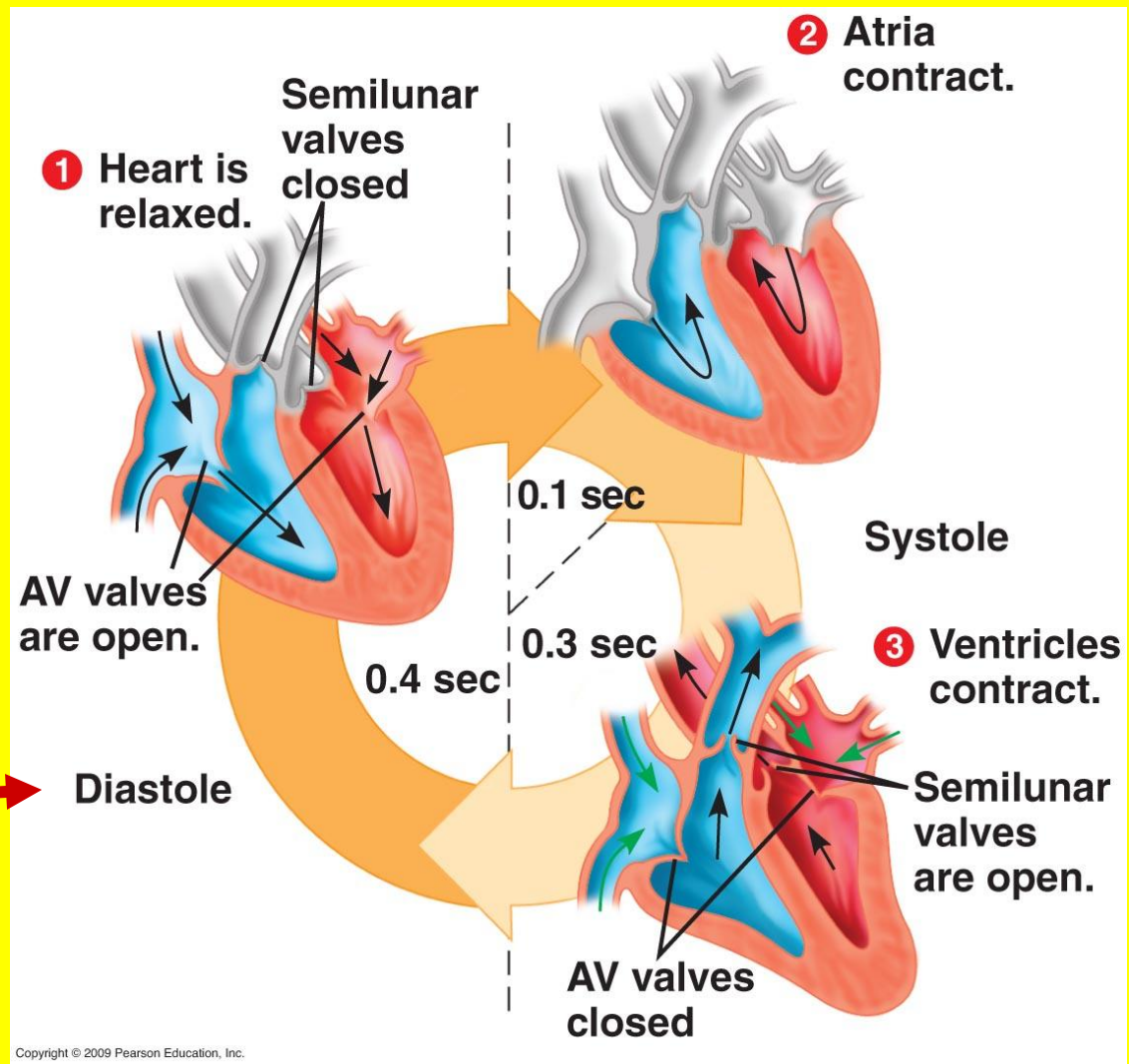
Heart Rate:
~ 72
beats/min

1. Entire heart
relaxed:

Diastole

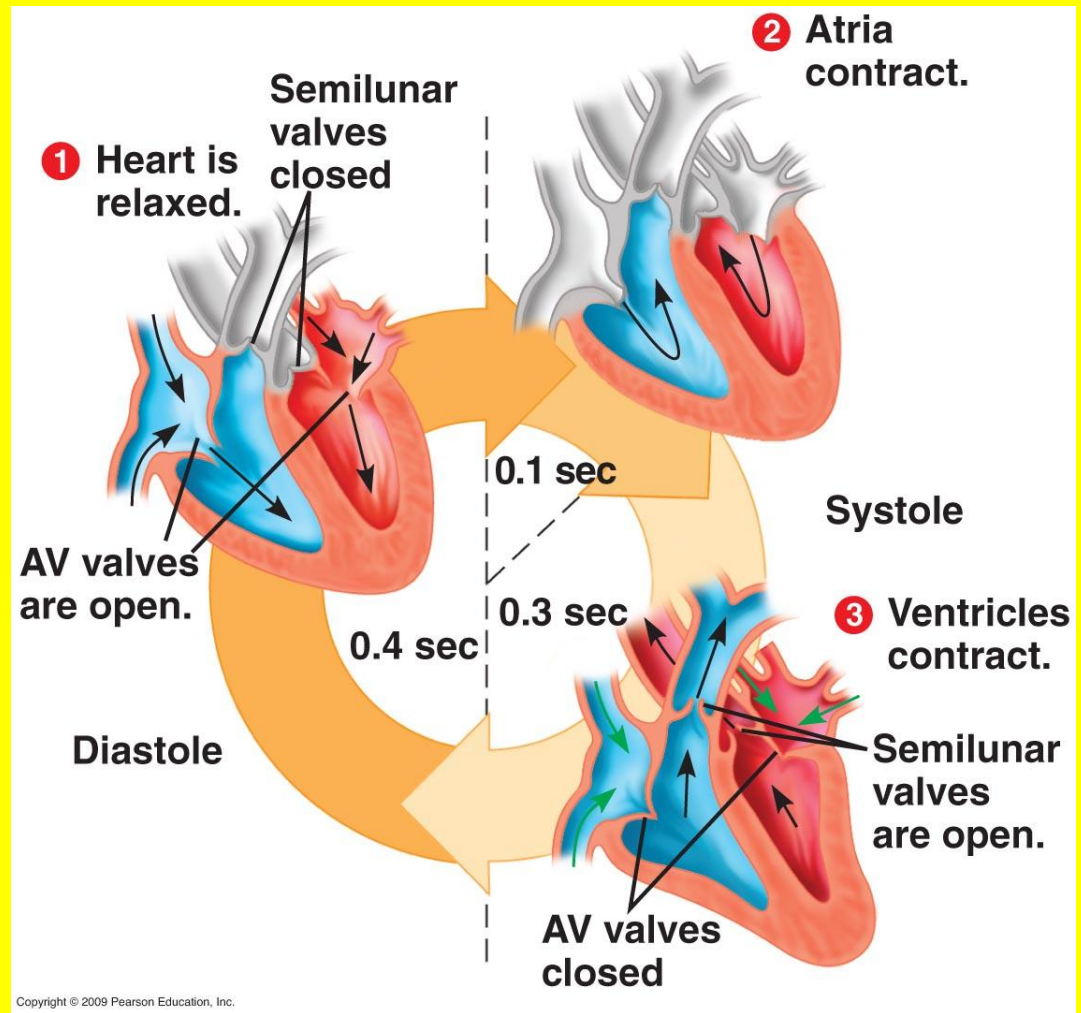
“filling phase”

0.4 sec



Blood flows
into all
4 chambers
"AV" valves
between atria &
ventricles: open

Ventricles: fill
with blood



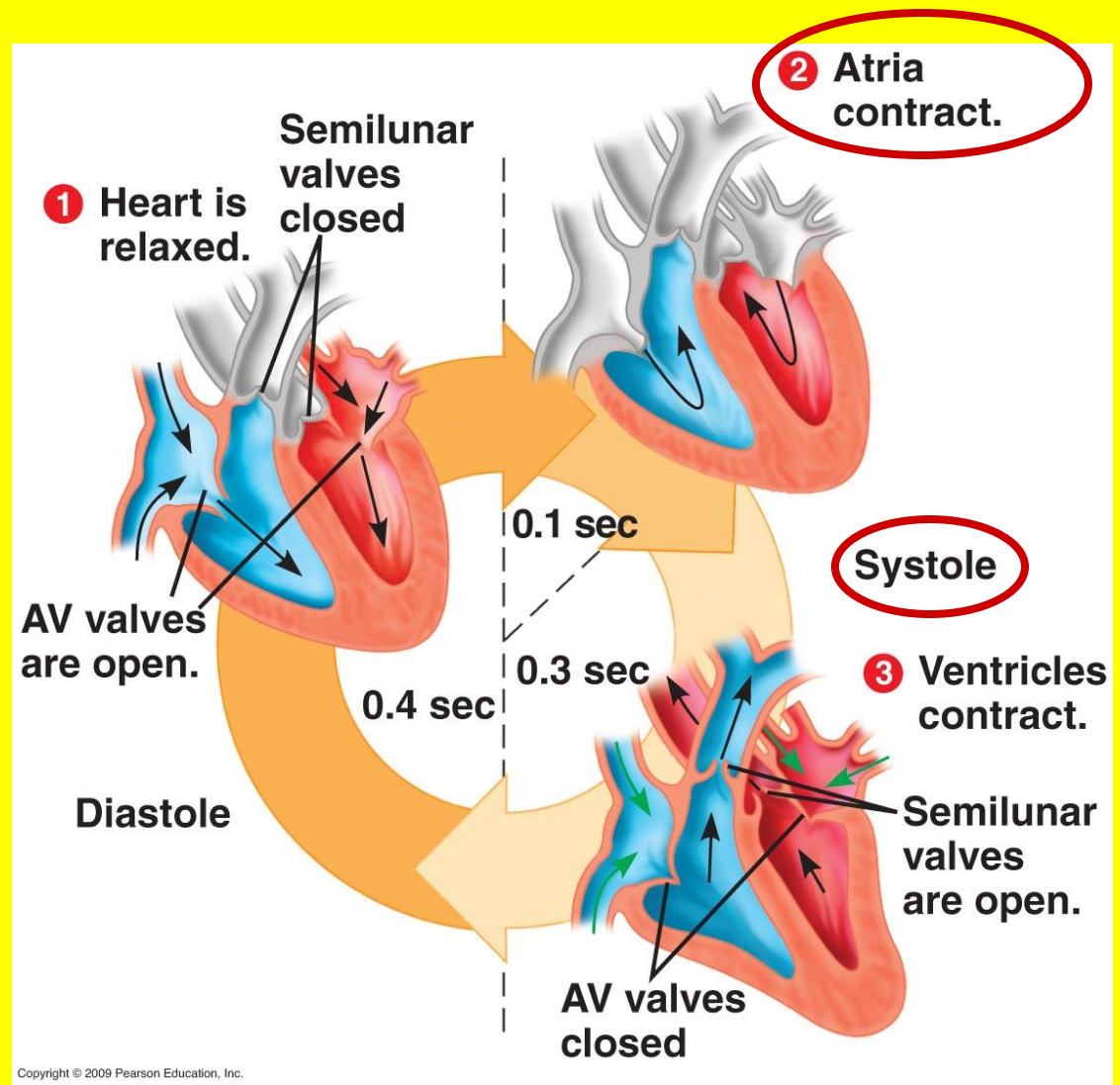
Systole:

“contraction
Phase”

First: 0.1 sec
contraction-

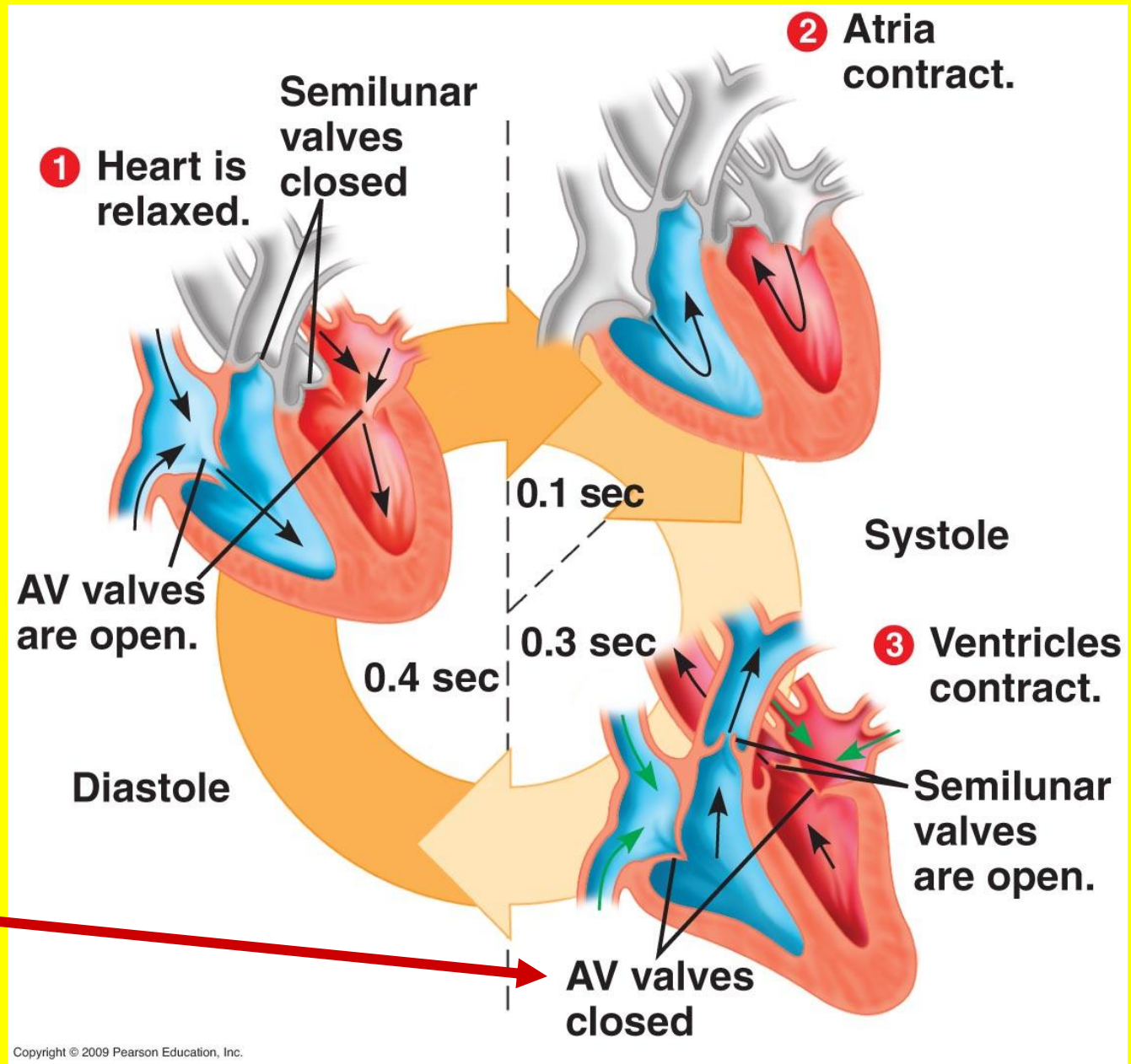
of atria:

ventricles fill
completely

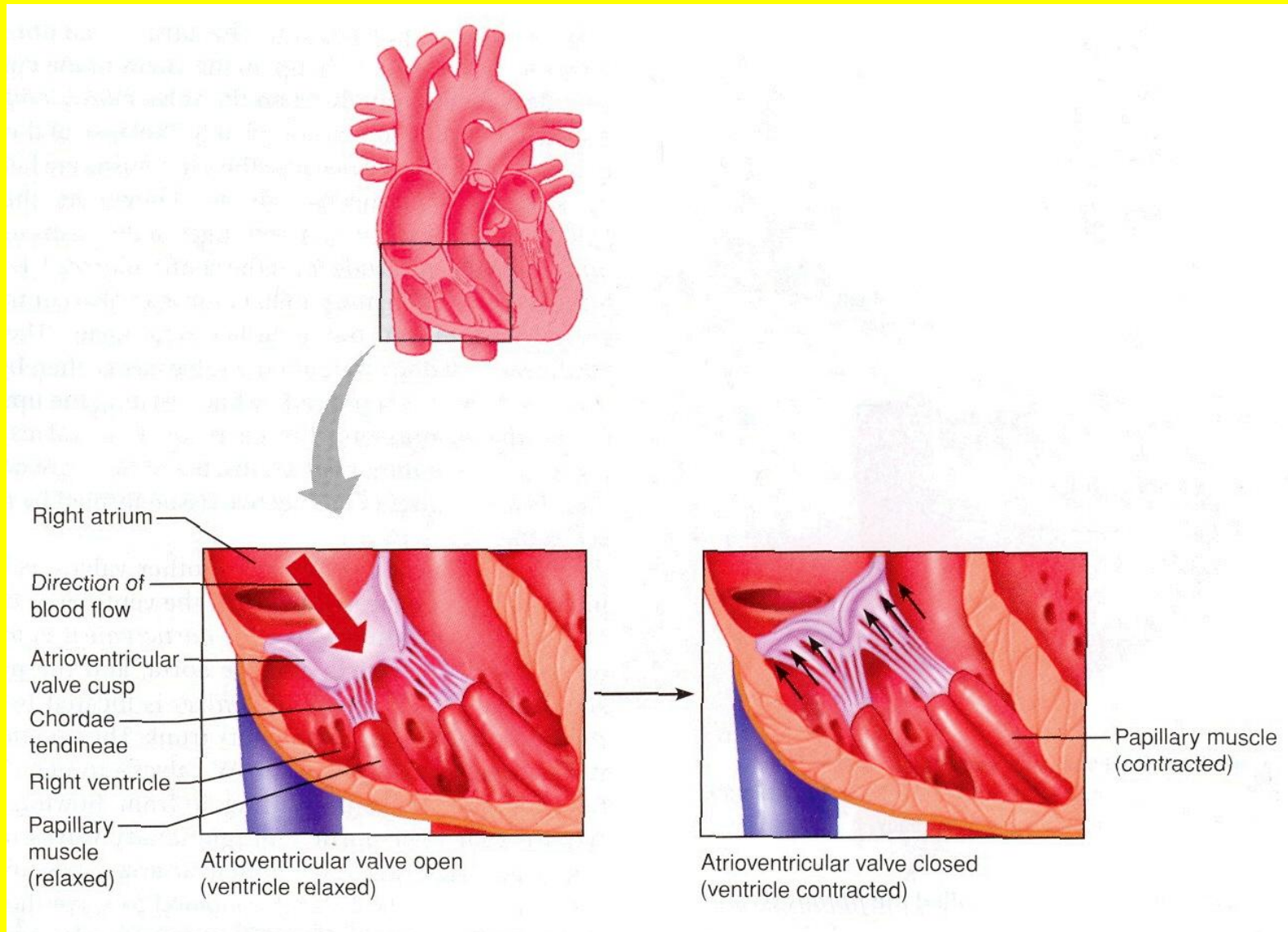


2d part:
Ventricles
contract
(0.3 sec)

AV
valves
close



"AV" Valves Opened and Closed



“Semilunar” (half-moons) valves

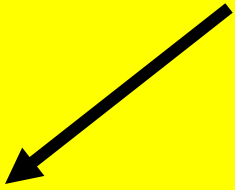
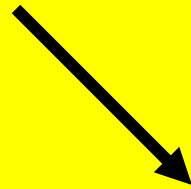
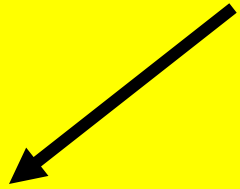
open: Blood pumped

Right Ventricle

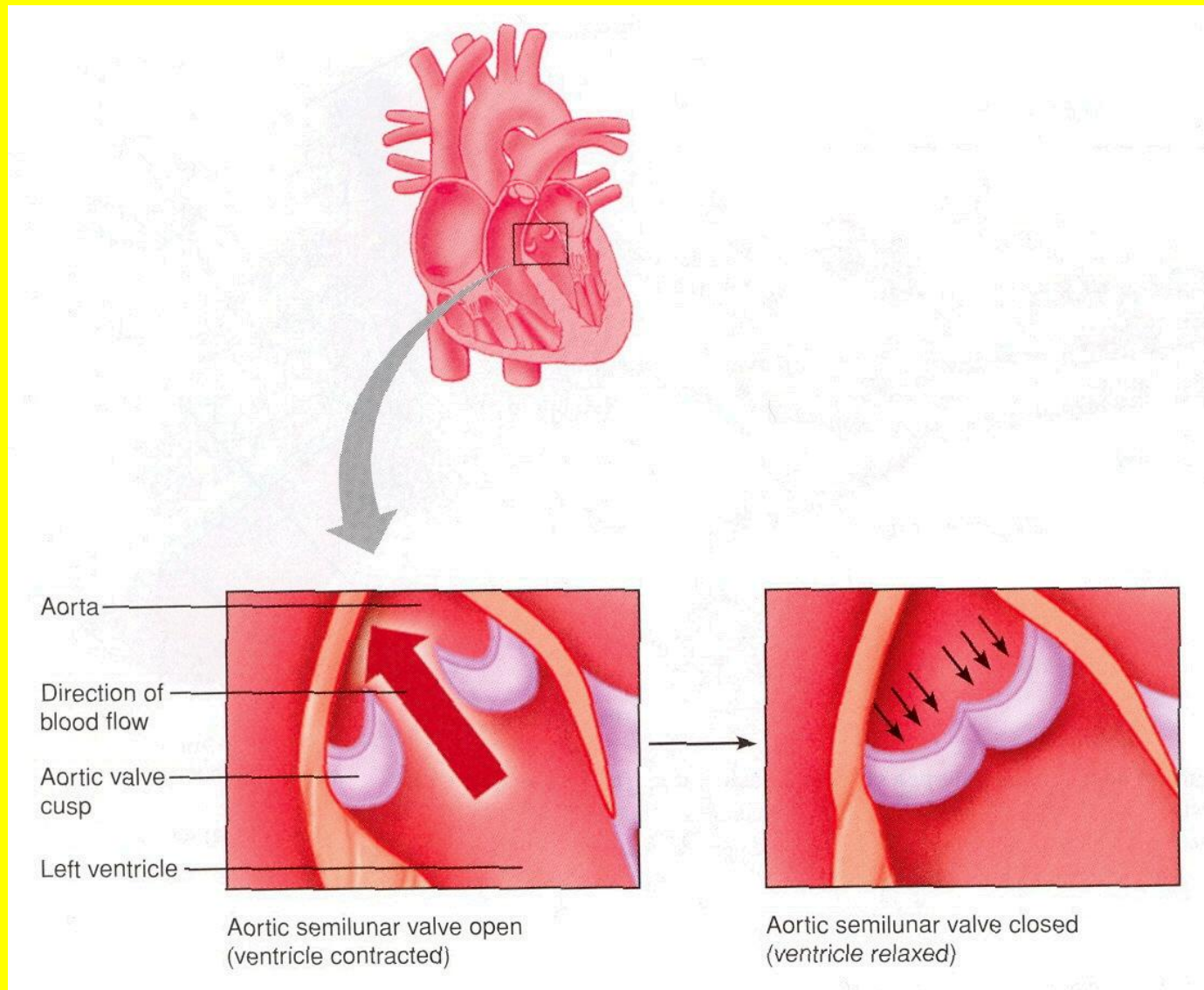
Left Ventricle

Lungs

Aorta & rest
of body



Semilunar Valves opened and closed



Each ventricle

Pumps

~ 70 ml blood/beat:

Cardiac output

Well- trained athlete:

stronger/enlarged

heart

↑ **Cardiac Output**

Heart murmurs:

valves don't close

properly- blood

turbulents

Heart sounds:

lub & dup

valves closing

Lub: AV

Dup: Semilunar

Blood Pressure: depends on

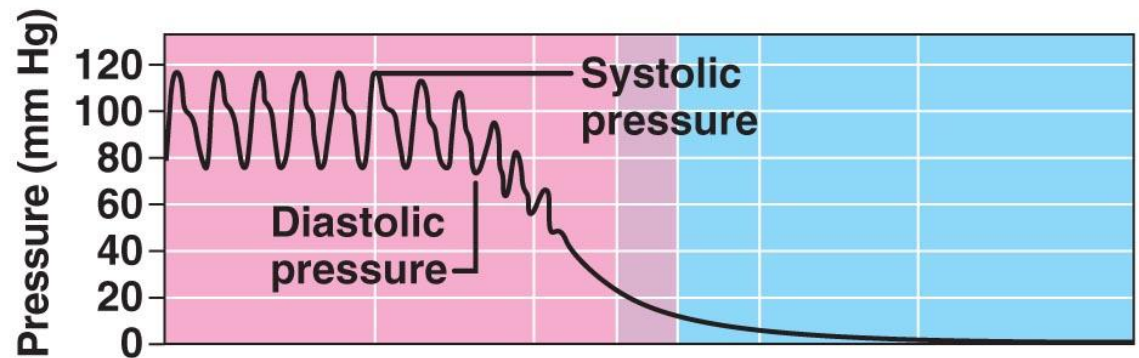
A) **Volume** blood pumped by heart

B) **Resistance** to blood flow: blood vessels

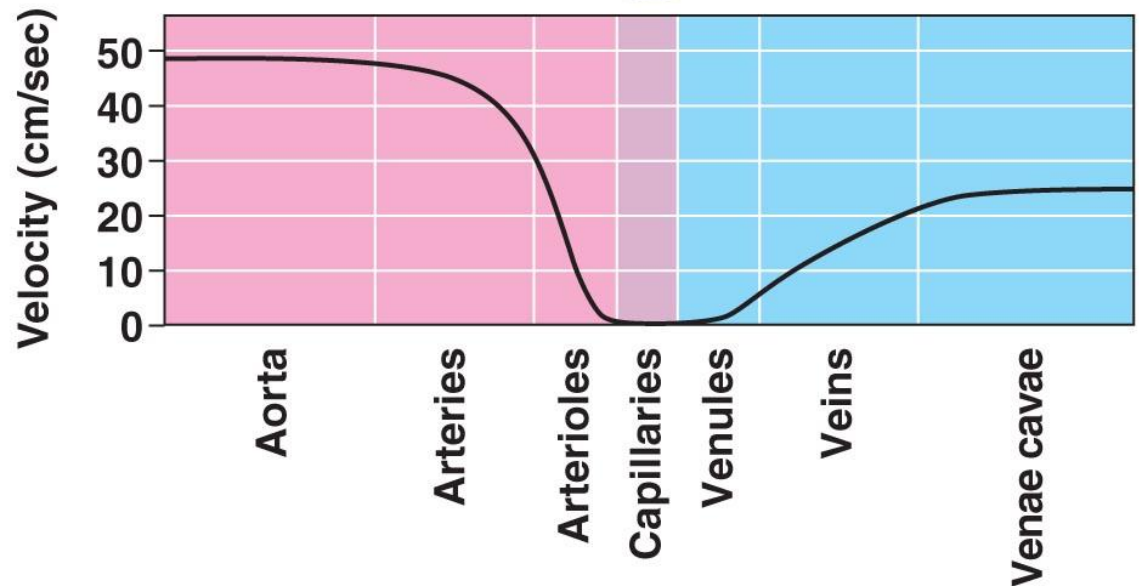
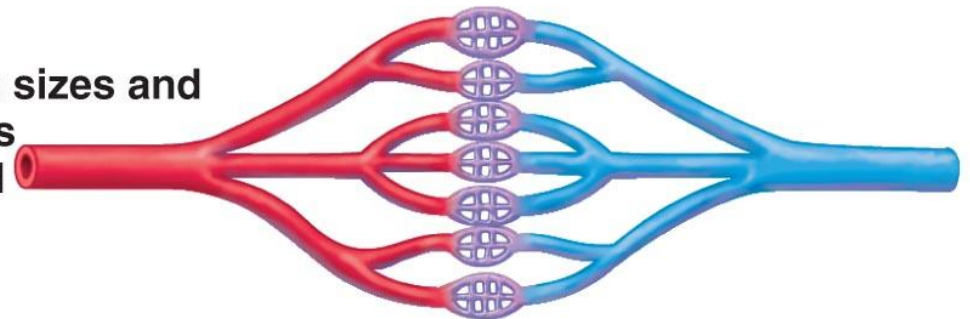
Systolic pressure: ventricles contract:
blood flow from big aorta to small
arterioles: creates pressure

Arterioles: elastic → **stretch**

Diastolic
Pressure:
arterioles
“snap back”
↓ pressure



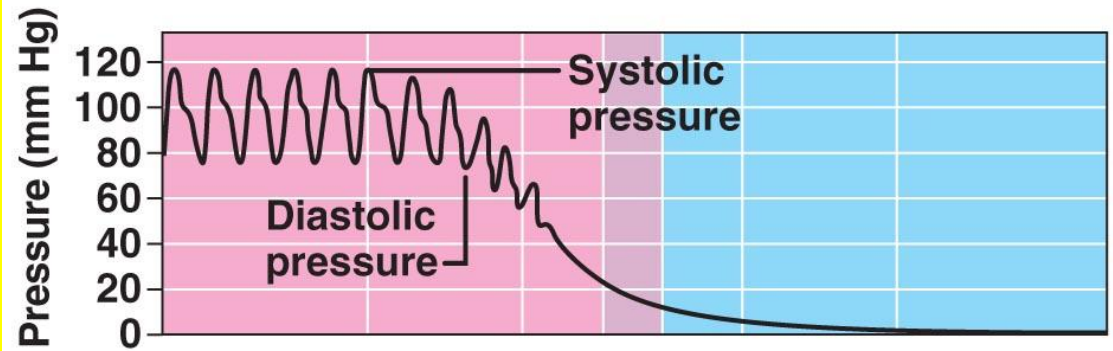
Relative sizes and numbers of blood vessels



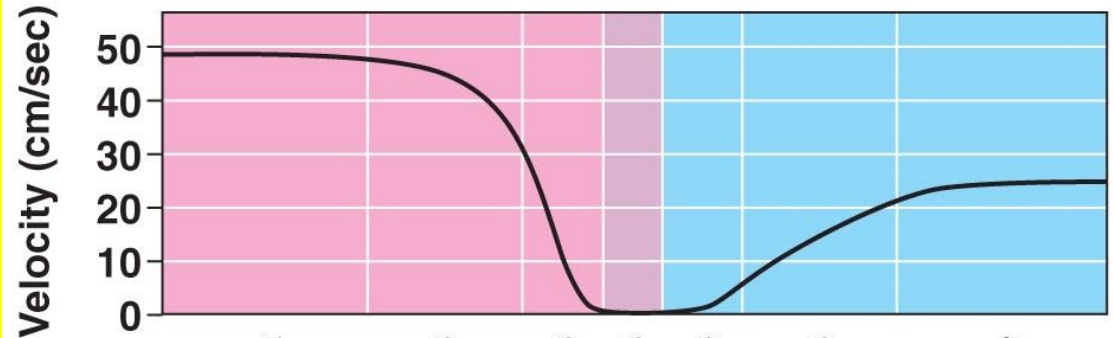
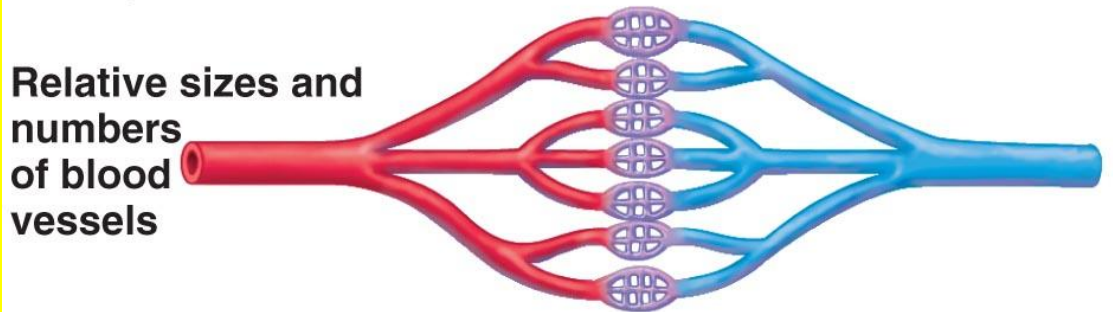
Blood Velocity

(speed)

- High in aorta
- Slow-Capillaries
- Speeds up-veins



Relative sizes and numbers of blood vessels



Aorta

Arteries

Arterioles

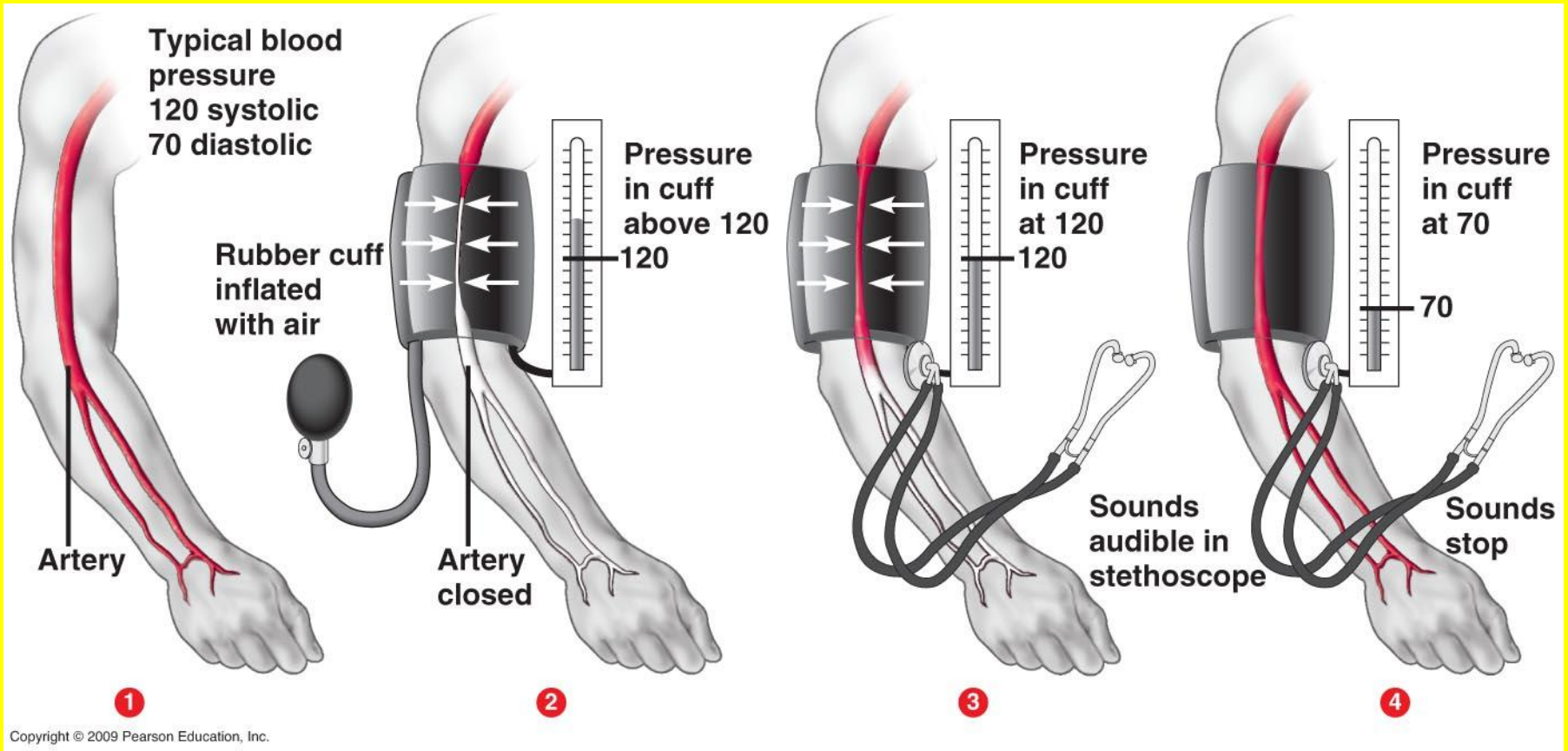
Capillaries

Venules

Veins

Venae cavae

Blood Pressure Measurement



- Wrap cuff- upper arm & inflate
- Cuff pressure closes artery: cuts off blood flow
- Listen with Stethoscope

- **Deflate cuff**
- Hear 1st sound: blood **spurts** through constricted artery= **systolic pressure**

- Continue to deflate, hear blood flow
- Sound **stops**: even blood flow
- Artery pressure > cuff pressure
- **Diastolic pressure**

Cardiac muscle cells:

- “inherent” ability to beat (contract & relax) without nervous system
- Heart can beat in lab dish

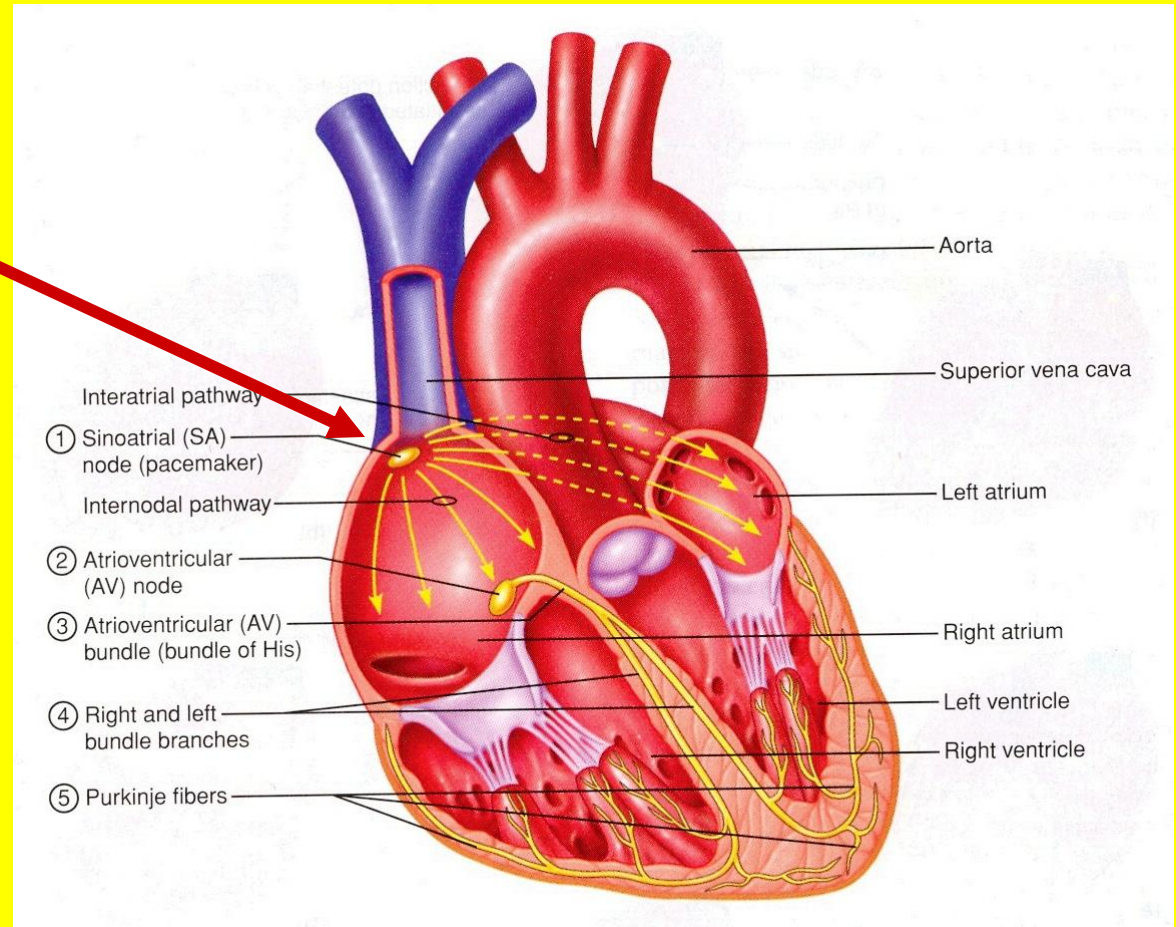
Heart also has
2 sets of **nerves**:
Speed up or Slow
Down

Hormones
(epinephrine) also
affect heart rate

What sets pace of Heart?

**Pacemaker:
Sinoatrial
node**

Upper
right wall-
Right atrium



SA node

1st Signals



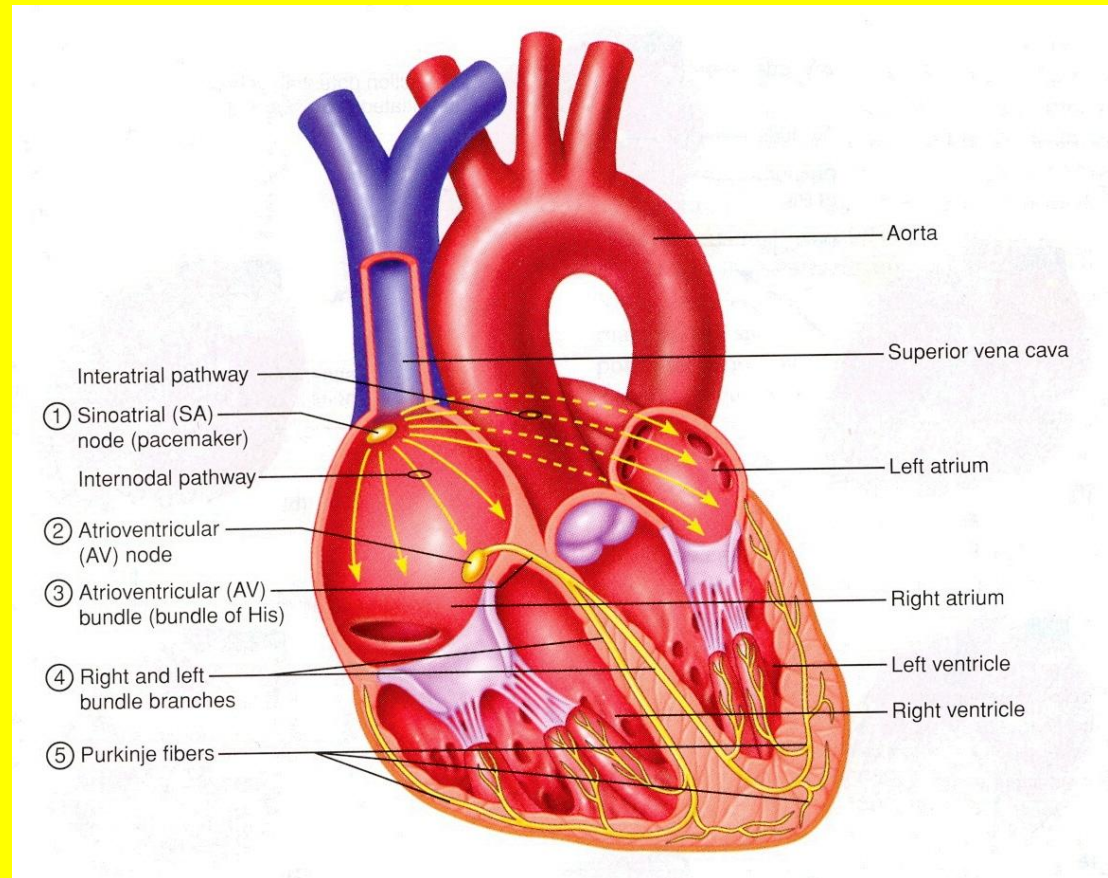
Right atrium

&

Left atrium



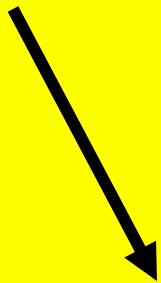
Contract together



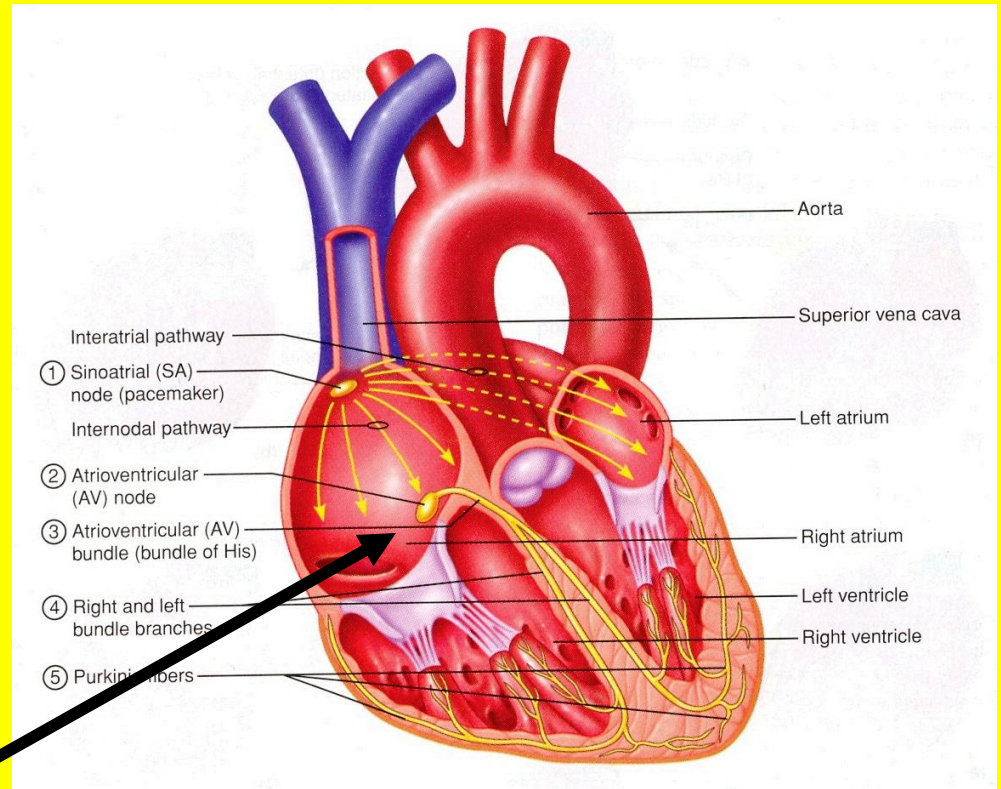
2d signals



Relay
point



Atrioventricular
(AV)
Node



AV Node



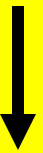
Heart **apex**:

Spread up

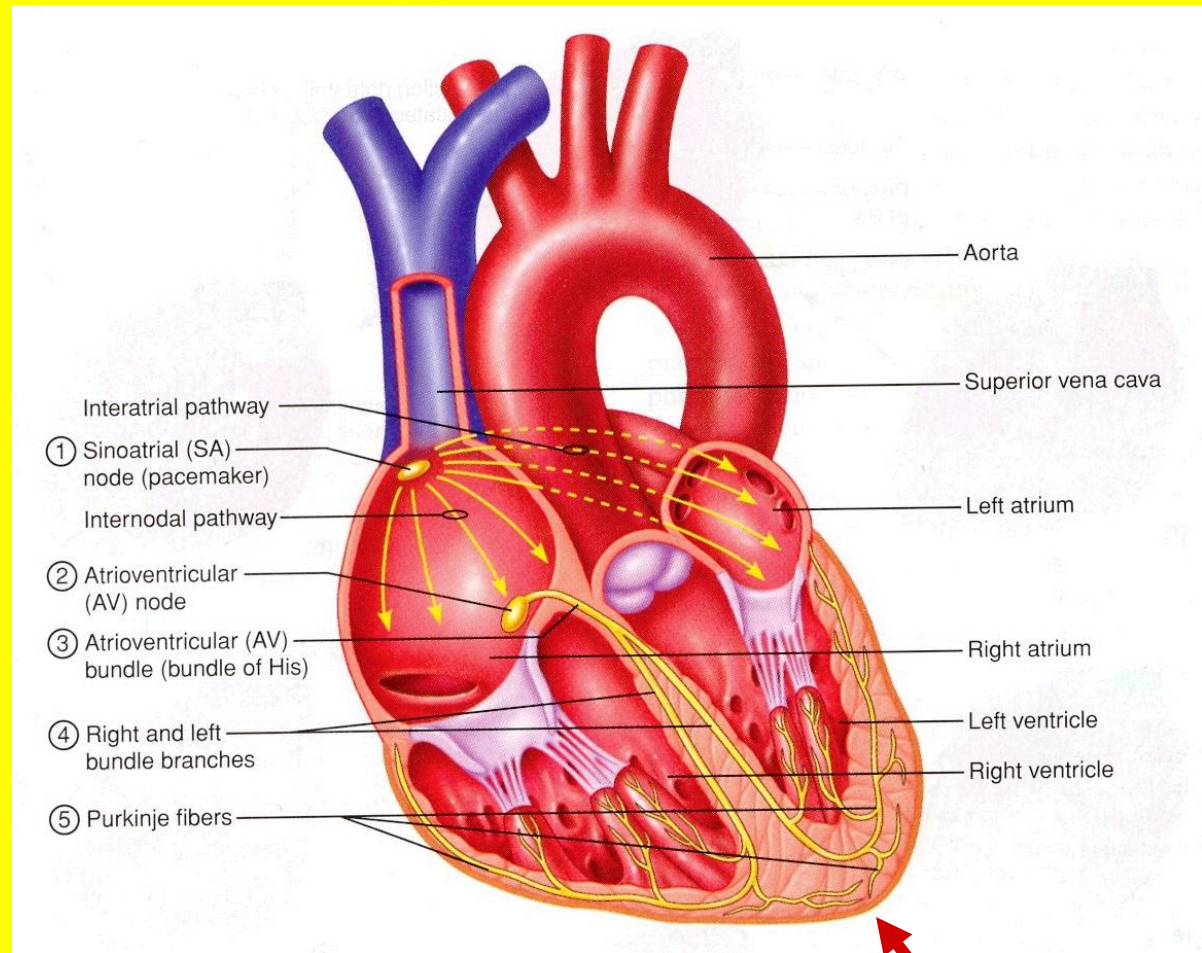
Walls



Right Left
Ventricles



Strong **Contractions**



Electrical Signals

in **heart:**

electrical

changes

in **skin**

record:

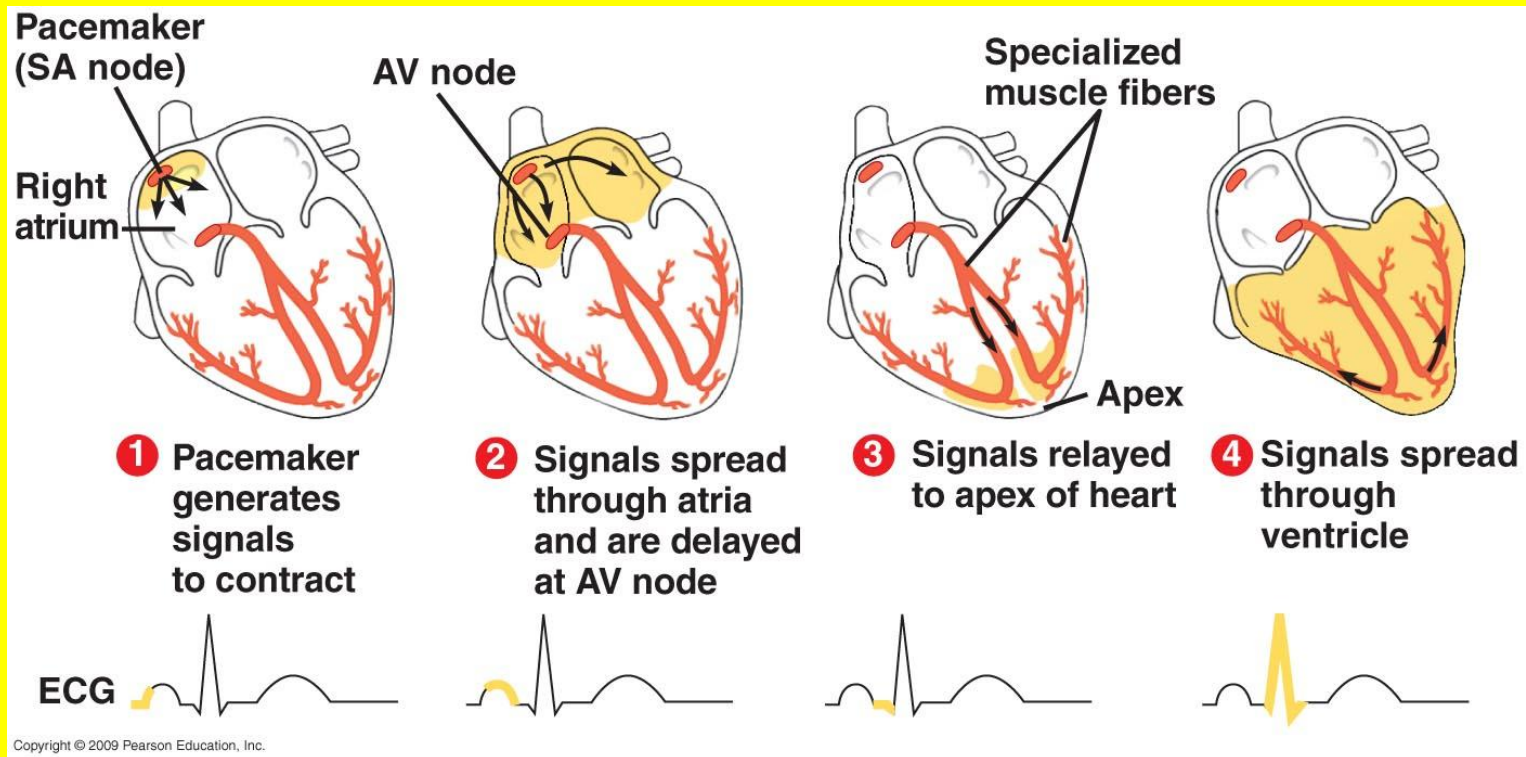
Electrocardiogram

(ECG, EKG)

See electrical events in heart

Detect abnormal electrical activity

arrhythmias- abnormal heart rhythms



Heart attack:

Abnormal rhythm
of ventricles

“Ventricular Fibrillation”

(bag of worms)

Defibrillators

Electric shocks to chest

Re-set heart electrical system

Artificial Pacemakers

If heart doesn't

keep normal

rhythm

Surgically

implanted

near heart

battery, signals:

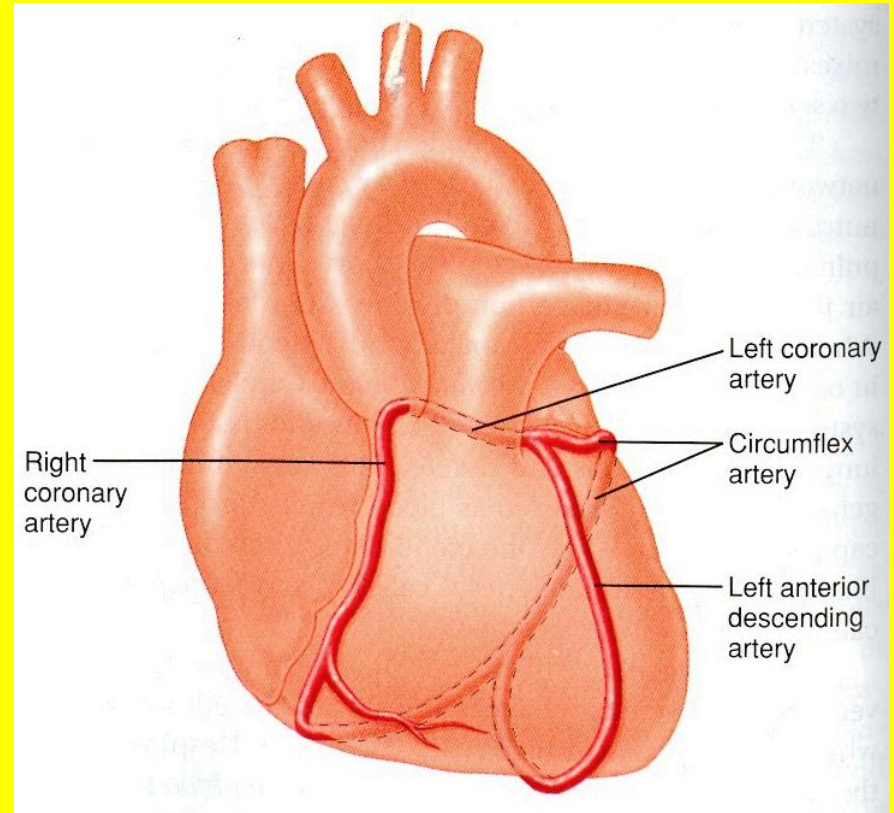
normal heart beat

Defibrillators also implanted

1. Detect abnormal rhythms
2. Send jolt to heart
3. Restore rhythm

Cardiovascular Disease

- Heart takes care of itself first
- 2 arteries: blood from aorta to heart muscle (myocardium)
Supply O₂ + glucose



Coronary arteries:

branches form
coronary
circulation

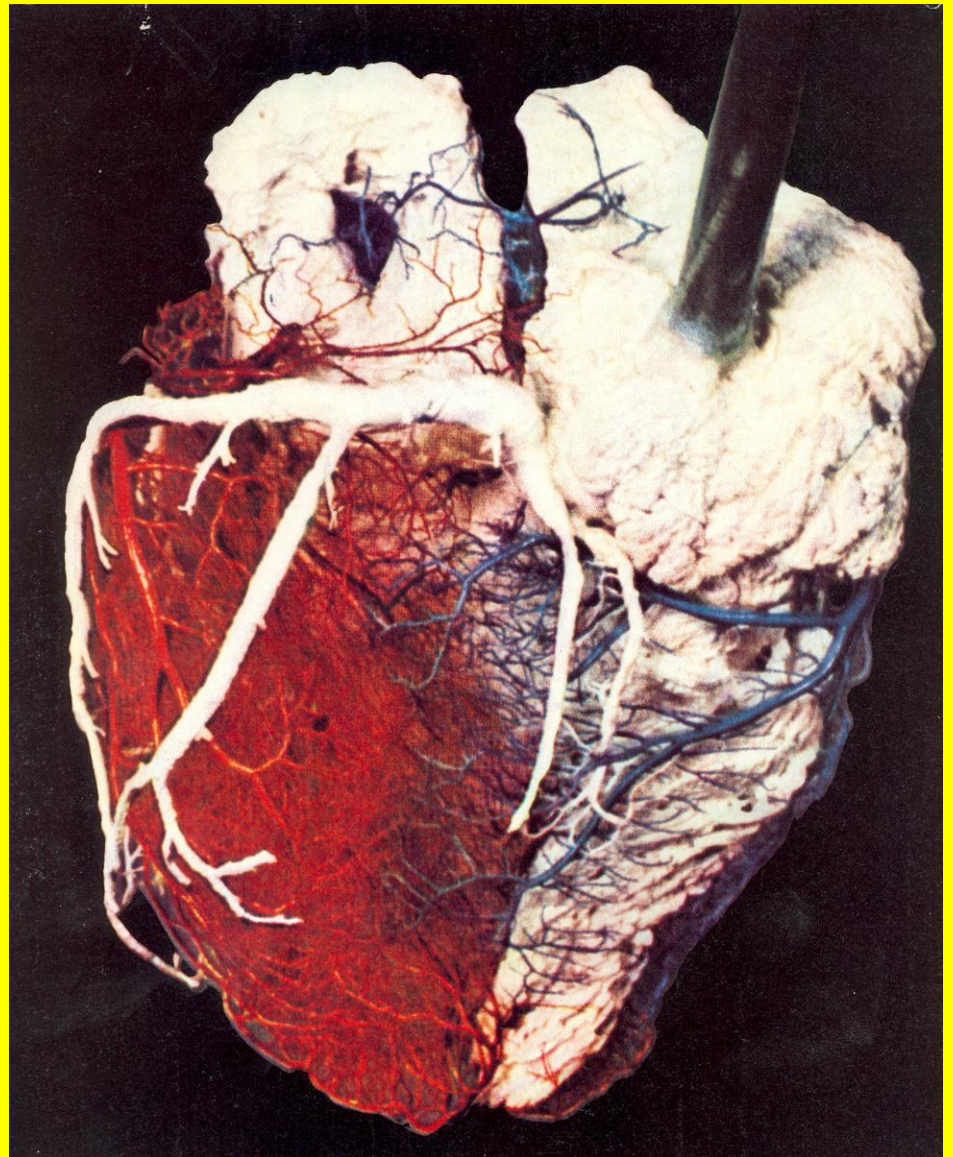
“coronary”-

Latin for

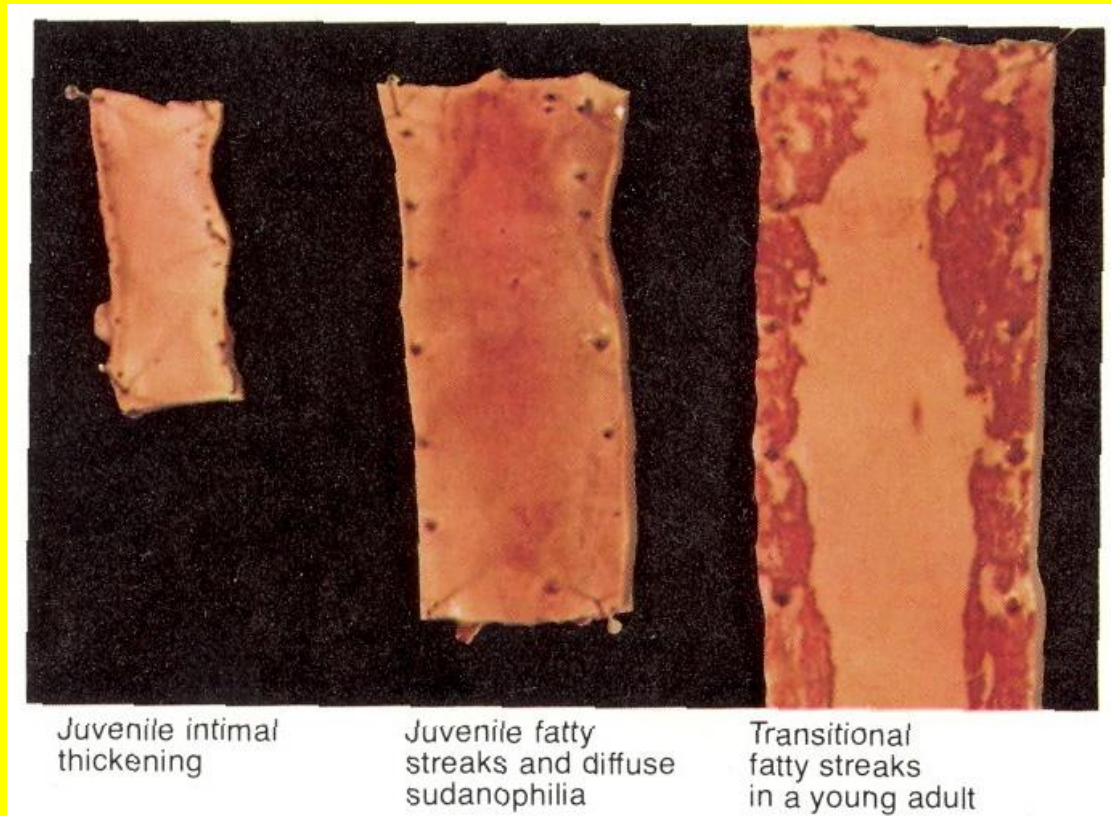
“crown” –

encircles

heart



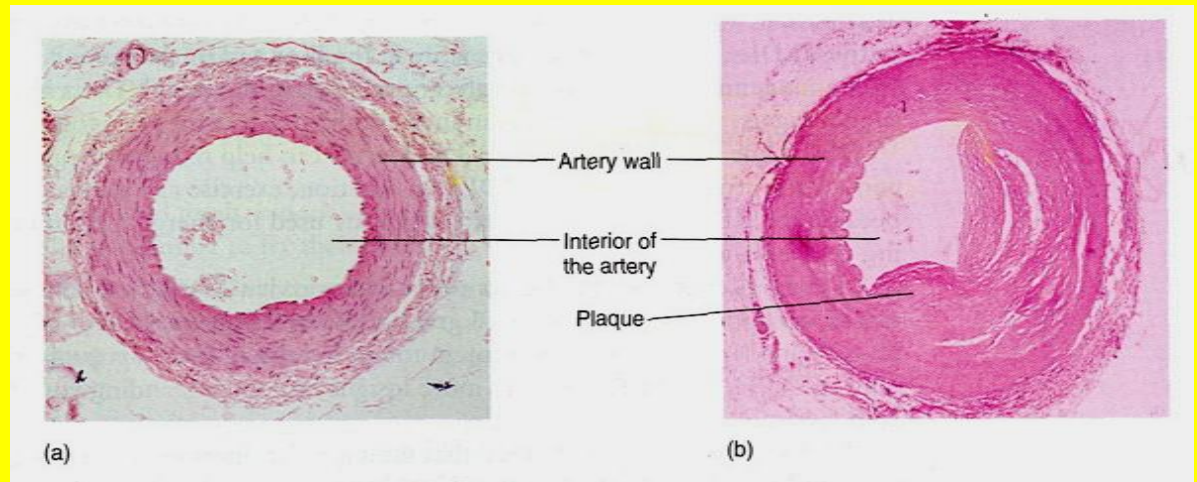
Beginning in children (5-12 years)
see **thickenings & fatty streaks** in
coronary arteries

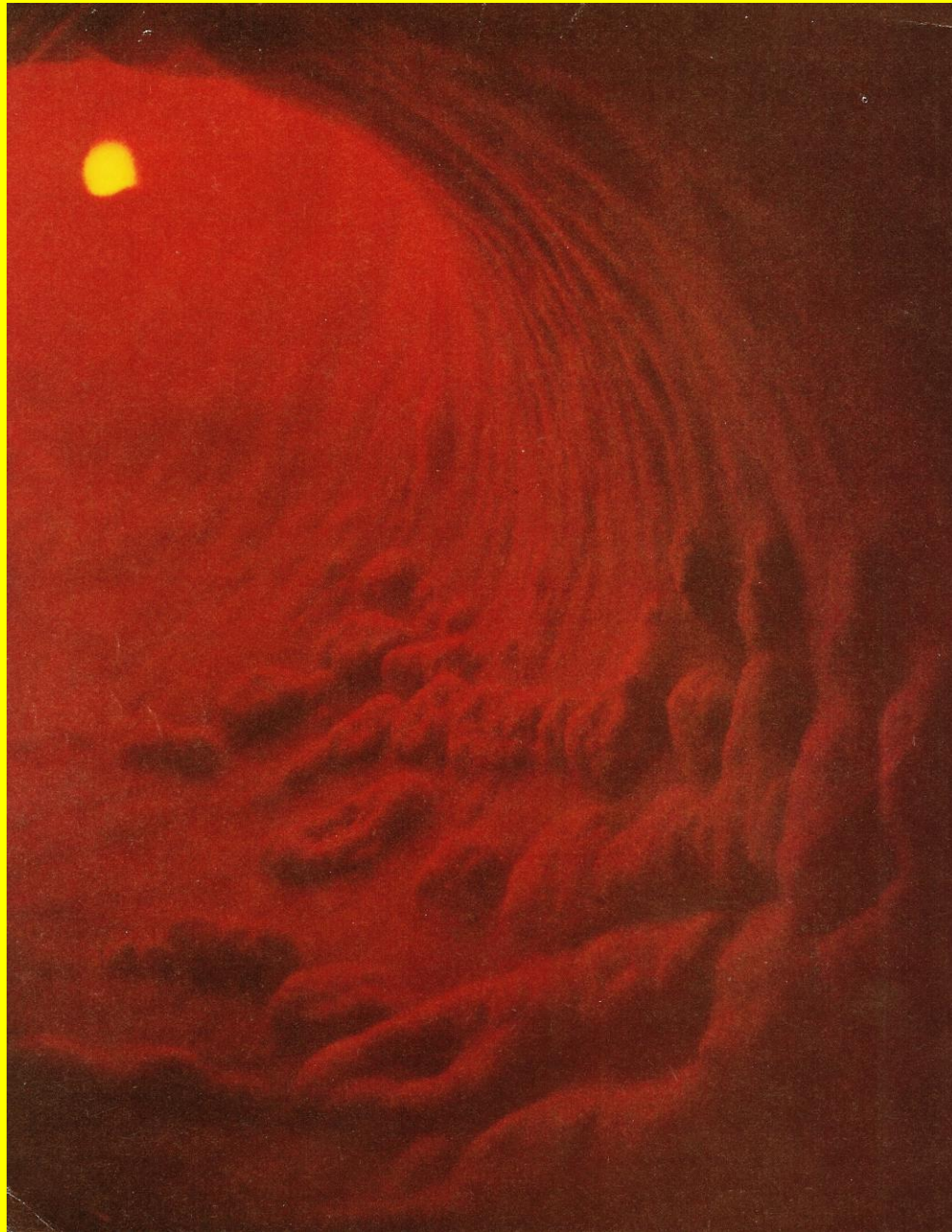


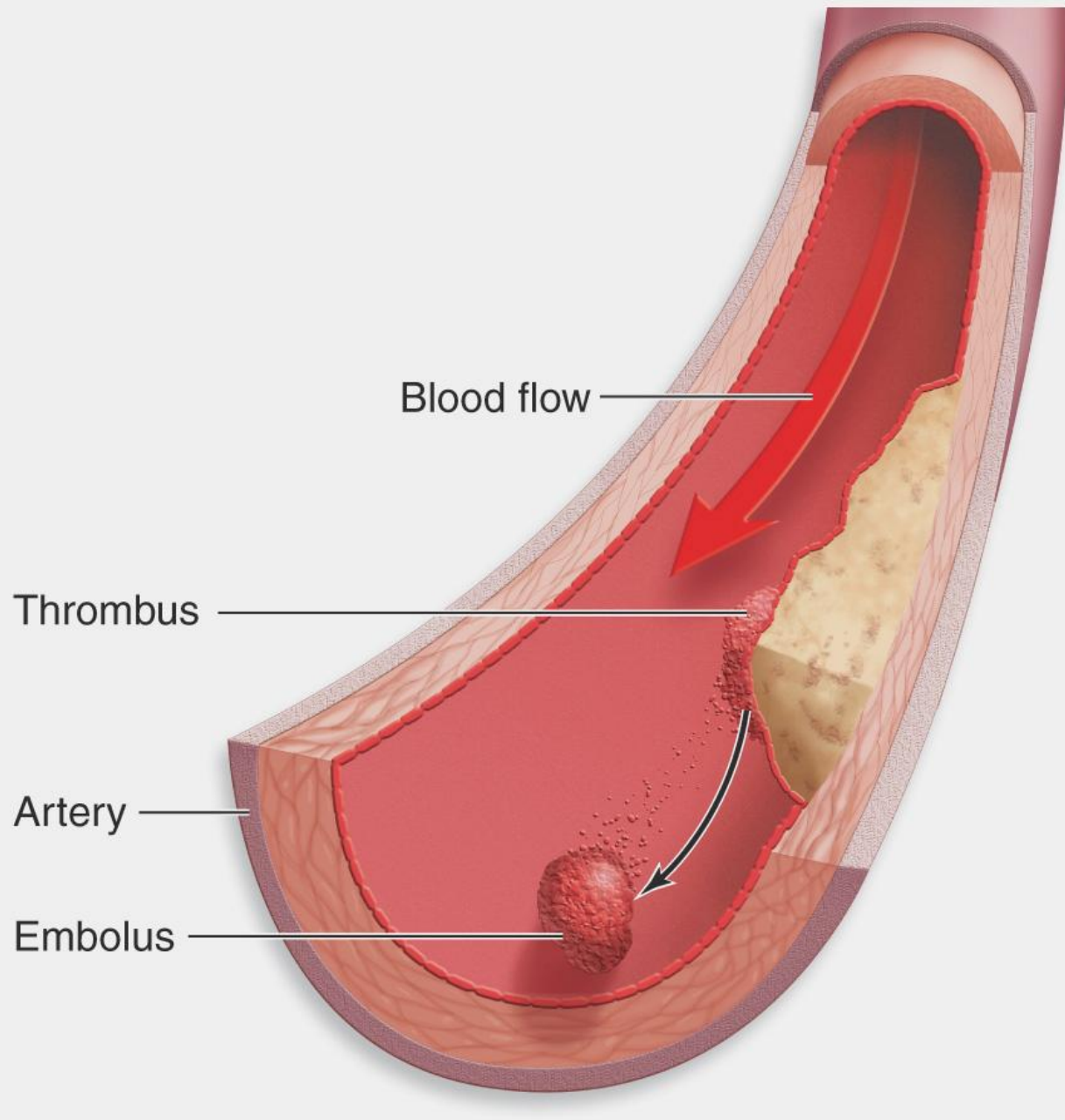
Disease process: **atherosclerosis**-
Accumulation of lipids (cholesterol),
protein, calcium, scar tissue in
arteries

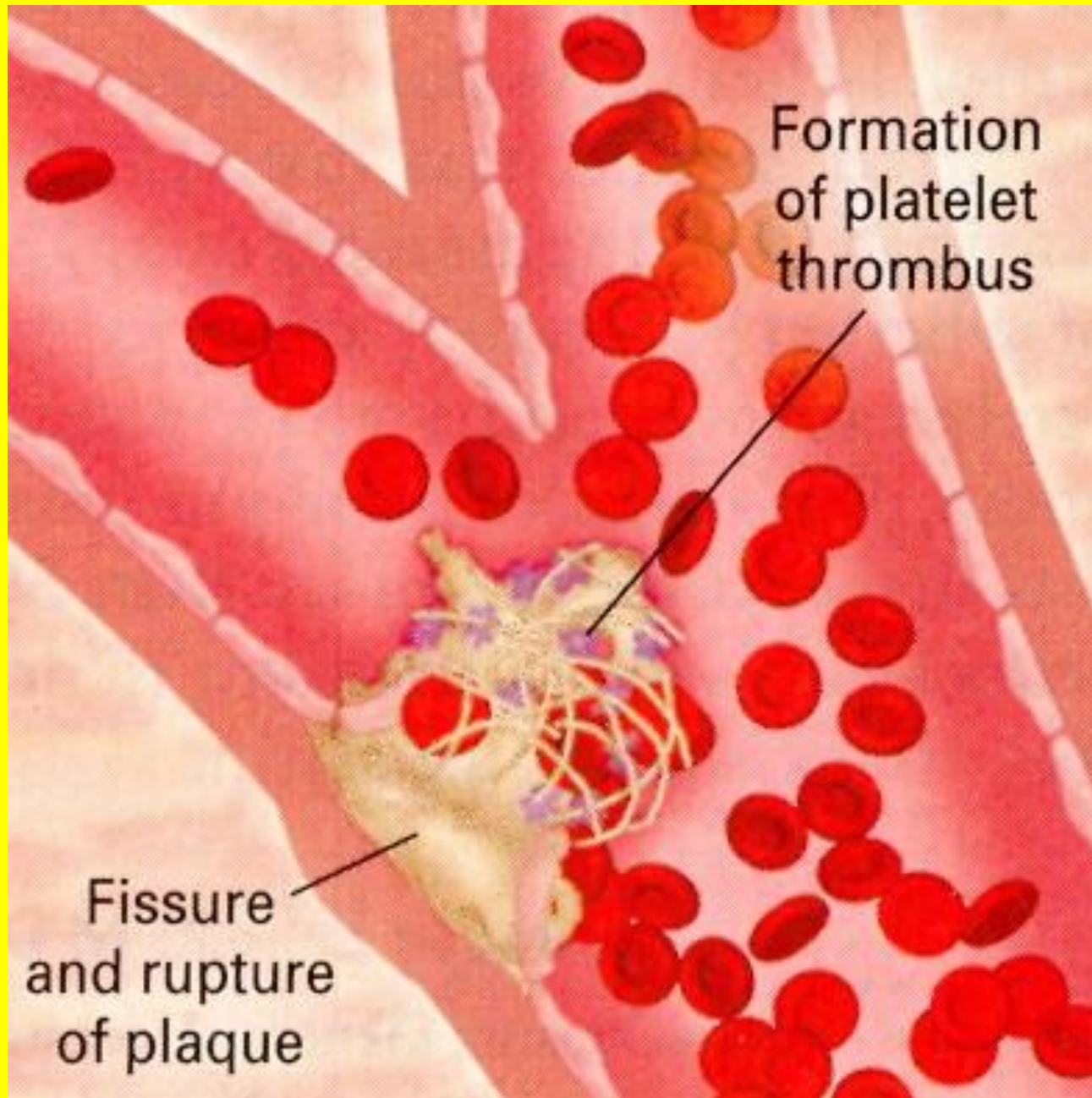
Going on
quietly
in you now

Also in arteries of
brain, arms, legs

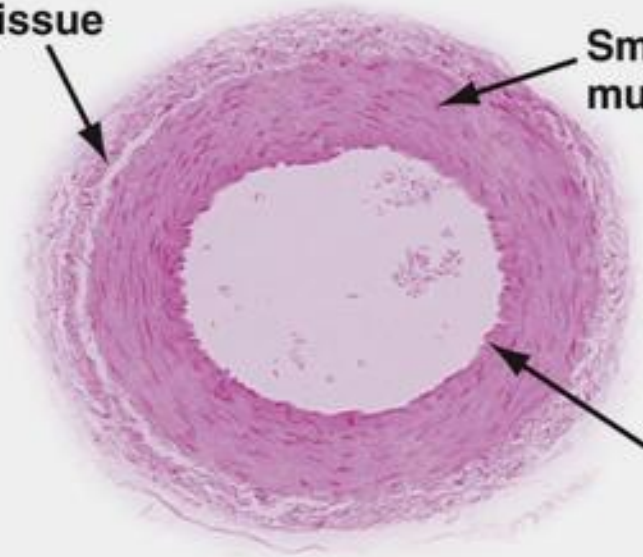








Connective tissue

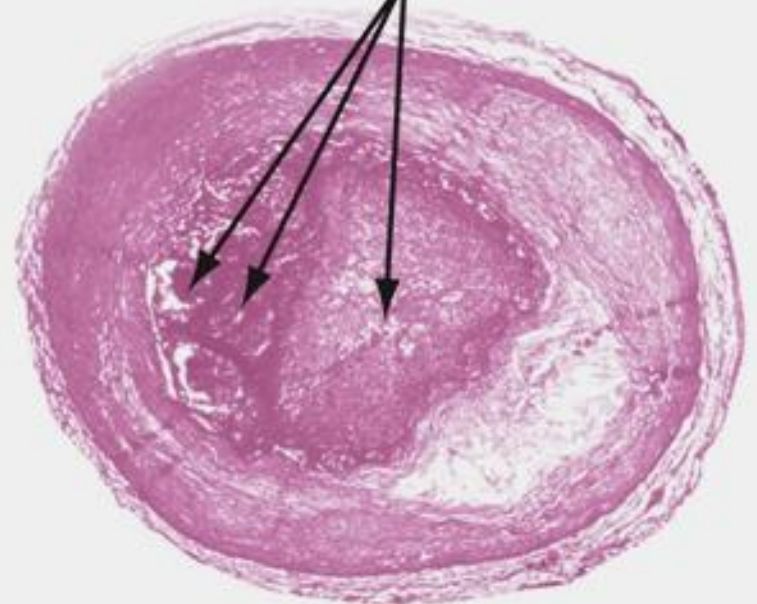


Smooth muscle

Epithelium

Normal artery

Plaque



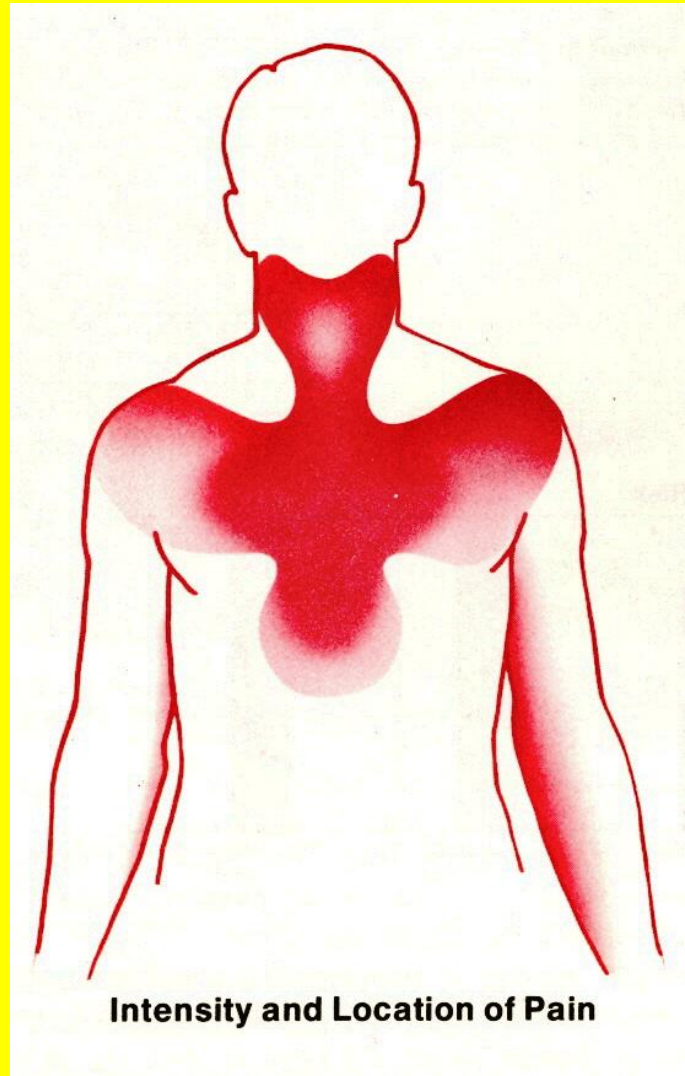
Artery partially blocked by plaque

Can cause **heart attack**: coronary
arteries in heart

Heart attack: Warning signs

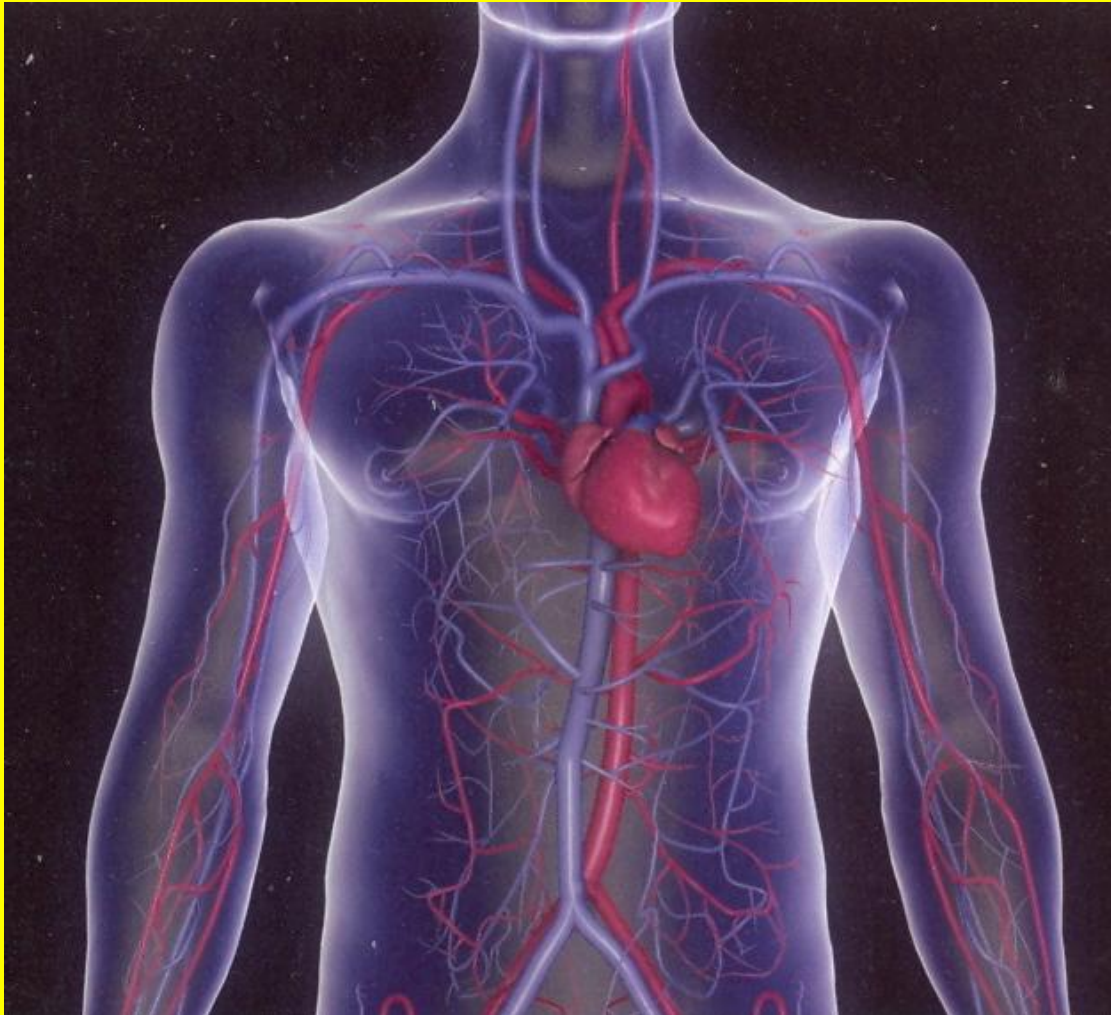
- Heavy pressure, fullness, squeezing pain in center of chest
- Pain may spread: arms, back, neck, jaw, or stomach
- Cold sweat
- Nausea and vomiting
- Lightheadedness

Heart Attack Pain: may spread

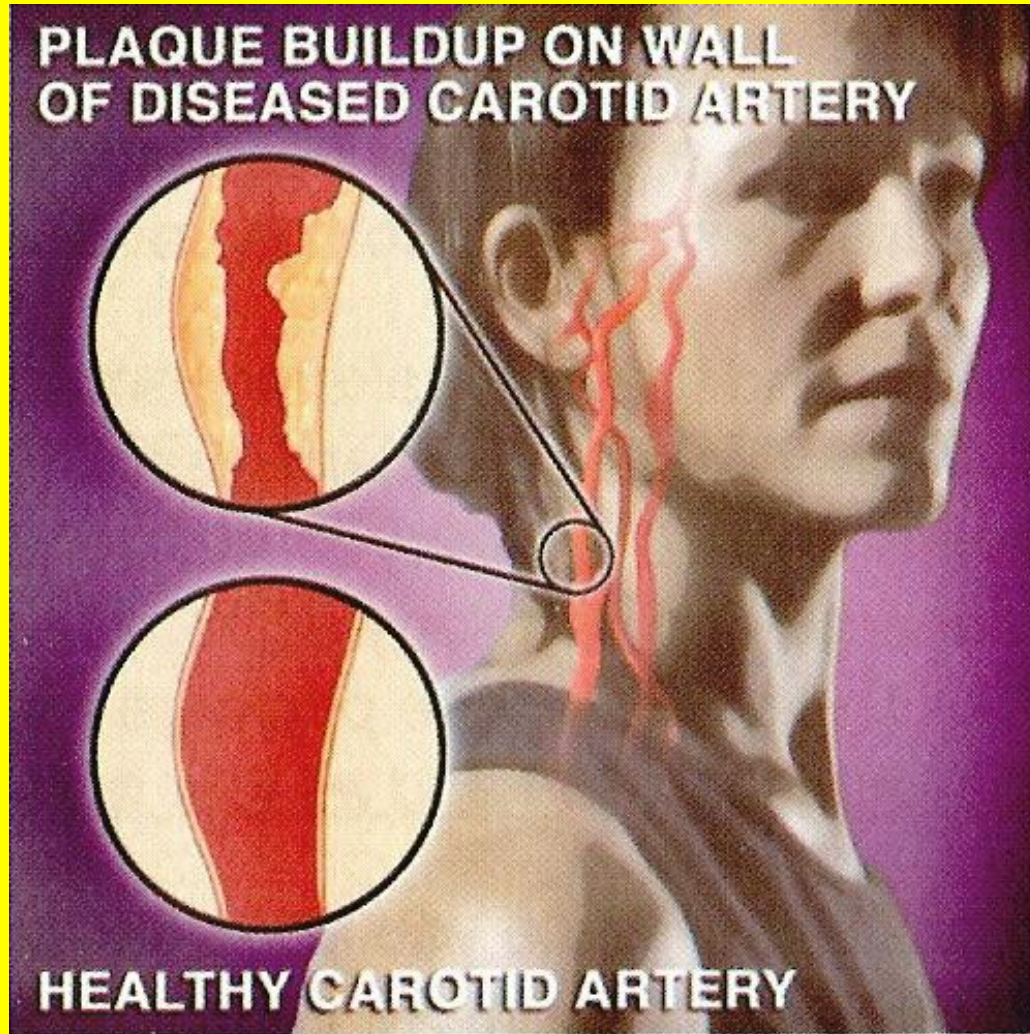


Heart attacks: more common morning,
on birthdays

Peripheral Artery Disease

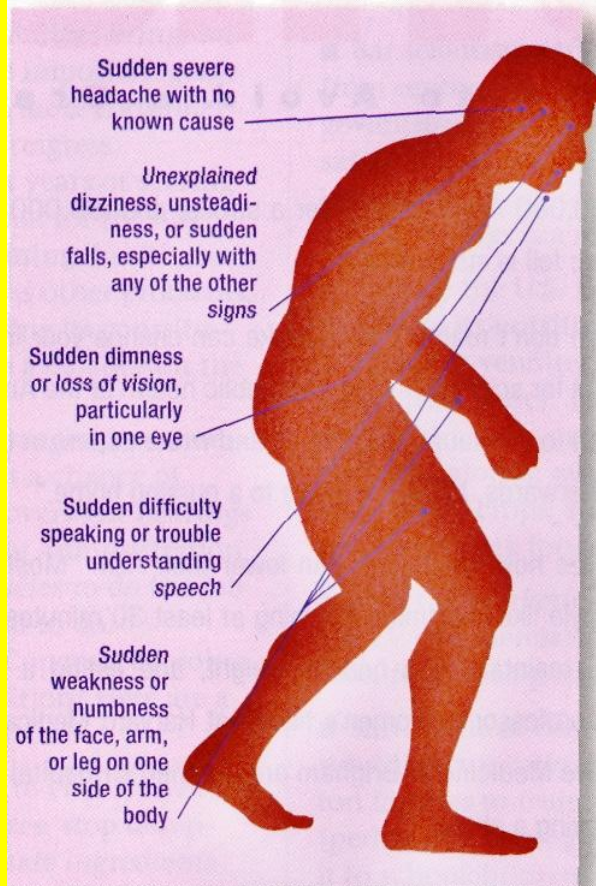


Blockage of neck carotid arteries



Stroke: arteries in brain

Signs of a Stroke



If you or someone else has one or more of these

warning signs, don't wait.

Call 911 immediately, even

if the signs go away.

Other, less common signs

include double vision,

drowsiness, nausea,

or vomiting.

Adapted from *J. Amer. Med. Assoc.* 279:1324, 1998. ©1998, American Medical Association.

Heart Disease Risk Factors

1. Men > Women
2. Family history: early heart attacks
3. Age
4. Genetics: African Americans (high blood pressure), Mexican and native Americans (obesity & diabetes)

Heart Disease Risk Factors

5. Smoking

6. Blood lipids \uparrow LDL \downarrow HDL

7. High Blood pressure

8. Diabetes

9. Obesity

10. Sedentary Lifestyle

11. Job stress

Heart Disease Risk Factors

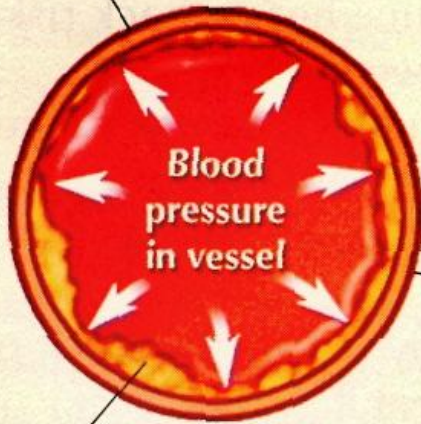
12. Diet & Exercise

↑ Saturated (animal) fat, trans fat, cholesterol, salt

↓ Fiber, fruits & veggies, exercise

High Blood Pressure

Rigid vessel wall



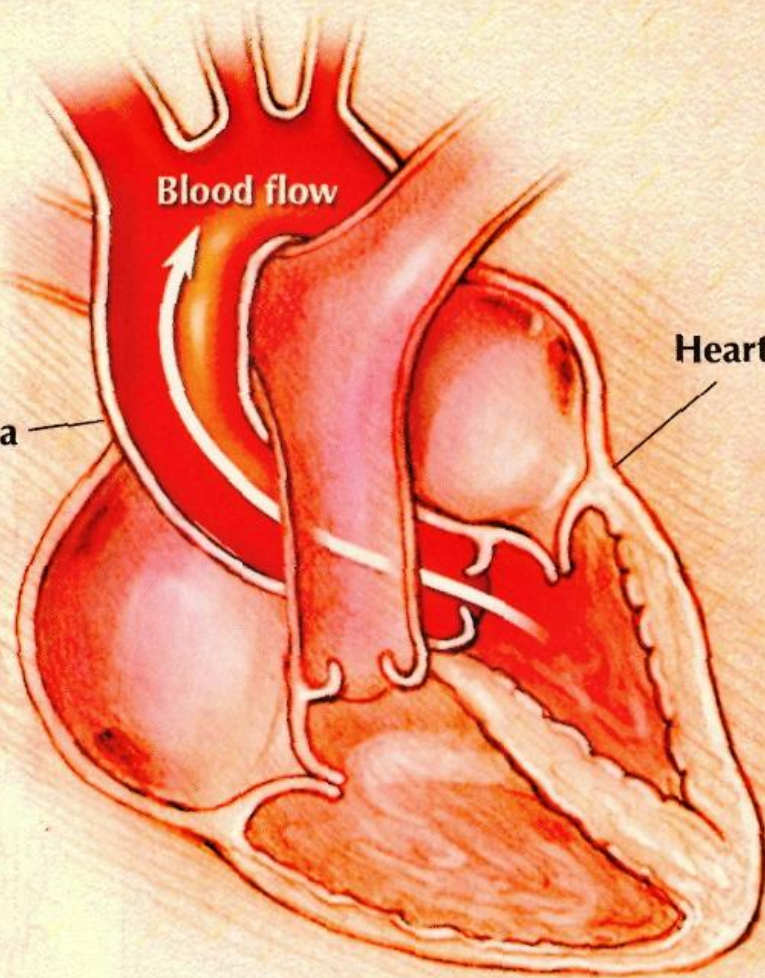
Blood pressure in vessel

Plaques

Aorta

Blood flow

Heart



As arteries near your heart become more rigid and less able to expand, more force from each heartbeat is passed along to the rest of your blood vessels. This can raise your systolic blood pressure.

Know these numbers

Systolic/Diastolic

| | |
|------------------|--------------------|
| Normal | 120/80 |
| Pre-hypertension | 121-139/81-89 |
| Hypertension | 140/90 or > |

Systolic: heart pumping

Diastolic: heart relaxing

**DIETARY GUIDELINES
SODIUM & POTASSIUM
TOO MUCH & TOO LITTLE**

TOO MUCH SALT (SODIUM)

- ↑ Blood pressure
- ↑ Heart attack (#1 killer)
- ↑ Stroke (#3 killer)
- ↑ Heart failure
- ↑ Kidney Disease

Where does sodium come from?

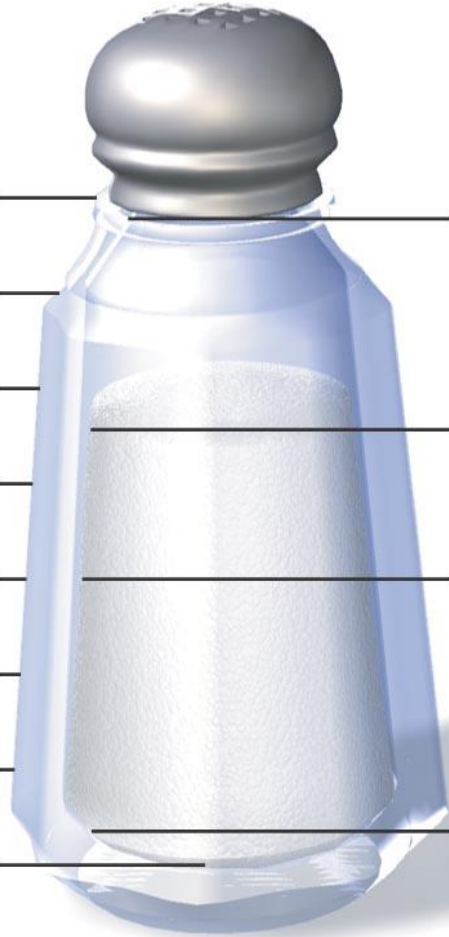
12%: naturally- foods

11%: you- salt shaker

77%: **processed foods-**
added by
companies

Milligrams of Sodium

3,500
3,000
2,500
2,000
1,500
1,000
500
0



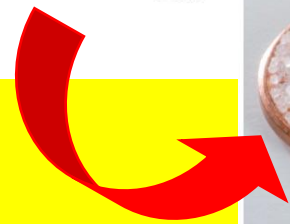
**American adult
daily consumption
($>3,400$ mg)**

**Adult upper level
(2,300 mg)**

**Adult
recommended
daily (1,500 mg)**

**Adult needed
daily (180 mg)**

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↑ **Kidney stones US children (2008)**

Oxalates (food)
binds to
calcium → stone

2 risk factors:

- 1) not enough
drinking of fluids
- 2) too much **salt**



Tessa Cesario
11 years old

Potassium & Blood Pressure

Potassium: **Anti-salt**

↓ Blood pressure

↓ Risk- stroke

↓ Kidney stones

↓ Bone loss

Recommendation: **4,700** mg/day

Average American: 1/2 this amount

Simple way: better balance

↓ Added salt/processed foods

↑ Fruits & veggies
(low sodium, high
potassium)

Cold Therapy: Therapeutic Hypothermia “Quasi-hibernating” state



1999: 29 year old woman doctor falls into river in Norway while skiing

- Carried by currents- stuck in ice flow
- 1 hour later: rescued- no heart beat
- Temperature 57 ° F
- CPR → 9 hours treatment → slow warming
- 60 days- intensive care
- Back to work: 5 months, skiing year later

What happened to her body?

- Body cooled
- Cells need less O₂
- Metabolism ↓ 10% of baseline value
- She was in **“suspended animation”**
- Between **life and death**

Cooling Treatment: Medical Applications

- Today- induced mild hypothermia for delicate heart, brain, spinal cord surgery
- Cooling techniques: cooling blankets, ice packets, circulating ice cold saline, cooled blood through heart-lung bypass machine
- Body cooled to 60 ° F: heart stops beating (**cardiac standstill**)

Hypothermia: reduces clotting,
slows metabolism, ↓ O₂ demand

After surgery: heat exchanger on
heart-lung machine:

slowly raises

body temperature

Emergency Applications

- Some hospitals put comatose cardiac arrest patients “**on ice**” after heart re-started
- Reduces brain damage, reduces inflammation after resuscitation

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Directive:

NY City

ambulances:

Take **cardiac**

arrest patients to

hospitals with **Cooling Therapy**

available: to protect the **brain**

even if not nearest hospital

Cocaine mimics heart attack

Researchers have found that cocaine can cause a heart attack-like response in the brain, leading to a stroke-like condition.

The study, published in the journal *Neuroscience*, found that cocaine causes a similar pattern of brain activity to that seen in a heart attack.

The researchers used a technique called functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) to measure blood flow in the brain.

They found that cocaine causes a decrease in blood flow to the brain, which is similar to what happens during a heart attack.

The researchers also found that cocaine causes a similar pattern of brain activity to that seen in a heart attack.

The study was conducted on rats, but the researchers believe that the findings could apply to humans.

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Hospital emergency rooms
admitting young people:

**Chest pain, shortness
breath, anxiety, palpitations,
dizziness, nausea, heavy sweating**

- All heart attack symptoms
- But without heart disease **risk factors**
- Cause: cocaine use (↑ B.P., heart rate, vasoconstriction)
- Real heart attack vs. cocaine use:
important differences in treatment

