



NINTH EDITION

ESSENTIALS OF
HUMAN ANATOMY
& PHYSIOLOGY

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The Cardiovascular System

11 PART A

The Cardiovascular System

- **A closed system of the heart and blood vessels**
 - **The heart pumps blood**
 - **Blood vessels allow blood to circulate to all parts of the body**
- **The function of the cardiovascular system is to deliver oxygen and nutrients and to remove carbon dioxide and other waste products**

The Heart

- **Location**
 - **Thorax between the lungs in the mediastinum**
- **Orientation**
 - **Pointed apex directed toward left hip**
 - **Base points toward right shoulder**
- **About the size of your fist**

Midsternal line

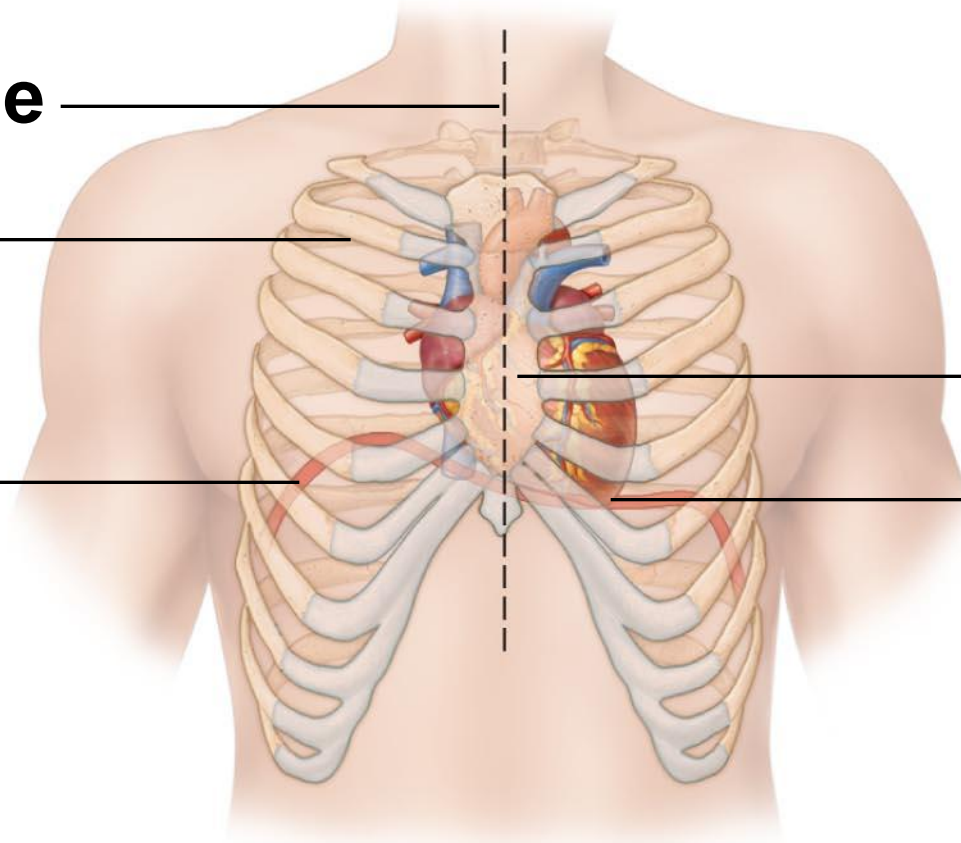
2nd rib

Diaphragm

Sternum

Point of maximal intensity (PMI)

(a)



The Heart

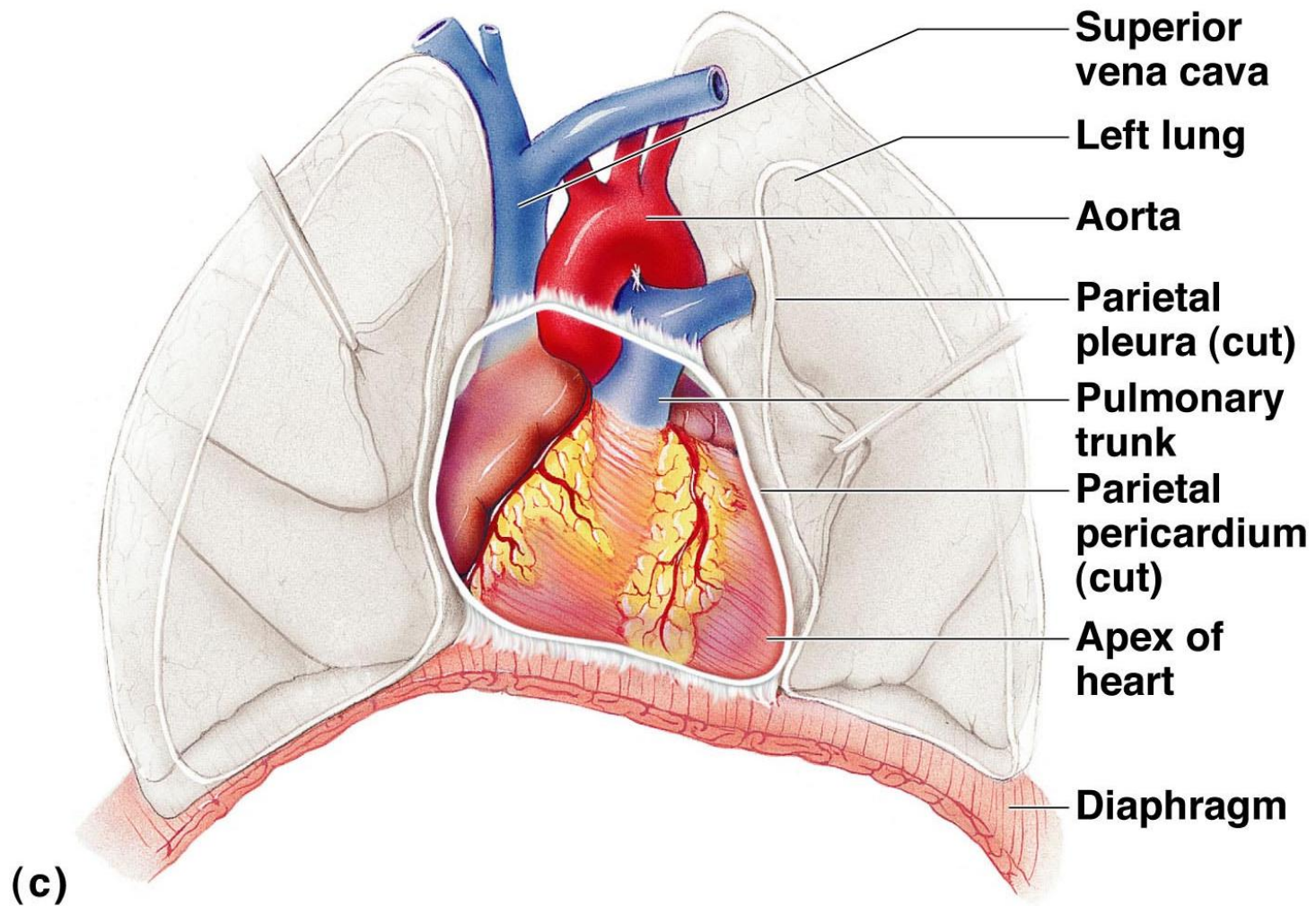


Figure 11.1c

The Heart: Coverings

- **Pericardium—a double-walled sac**
 - **Serous membrane composed of two layers**
 - **Visceral pericardium**
 - **On top of heart; also known as the epicardium**
 - **Parietal pericardium**
 - **Outside layer that lines the inner surface of the fibrous pericardium**
 - **Serous fluid (pericardial fluid) fills the space between the layers of pericardium**

The Heart: Heart Wall

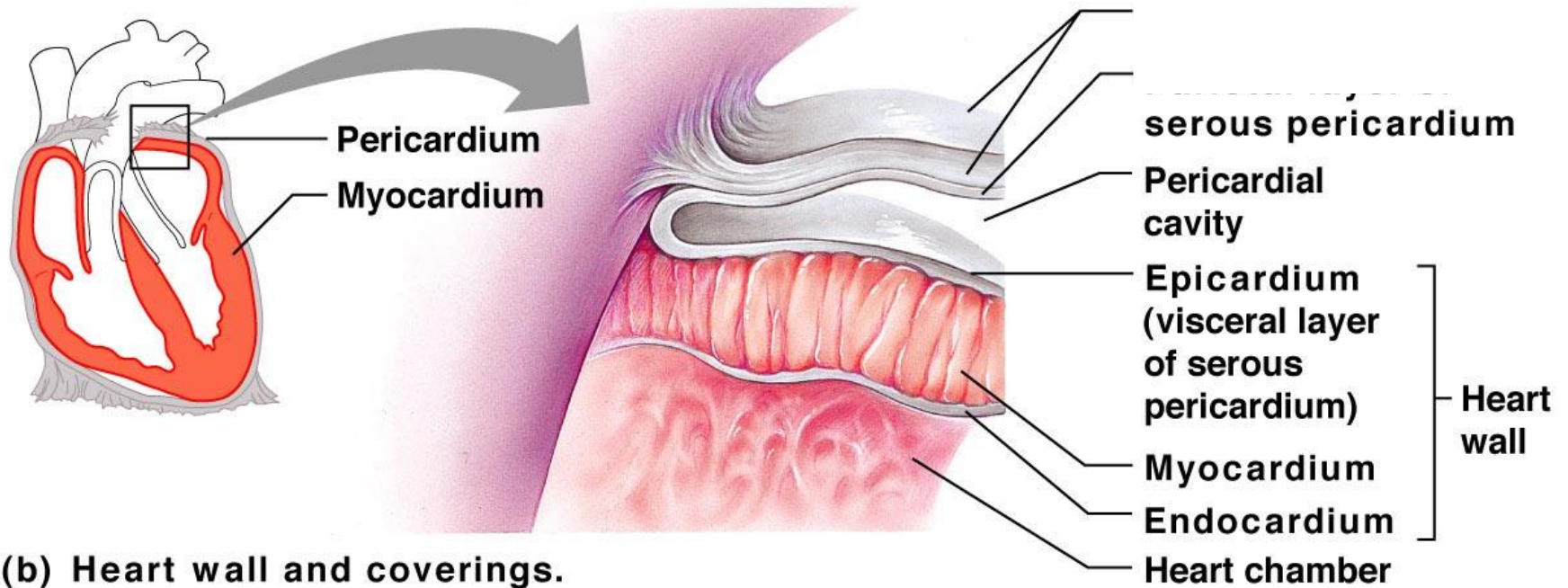


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The Heart: Heart Wall

- **Three layers**
 - **Epicardium**
 - **Outside layer**
 - **This layer is the visceral pericardium**
 - **Connective tissue layer**
 - **Myocardium**
 - **Middle layer**
 - **Mostly cardiac muscle**
 - **Endocardium**
 - **Inner layer**
 - **Endothelium**

The Heart: Heart Wall

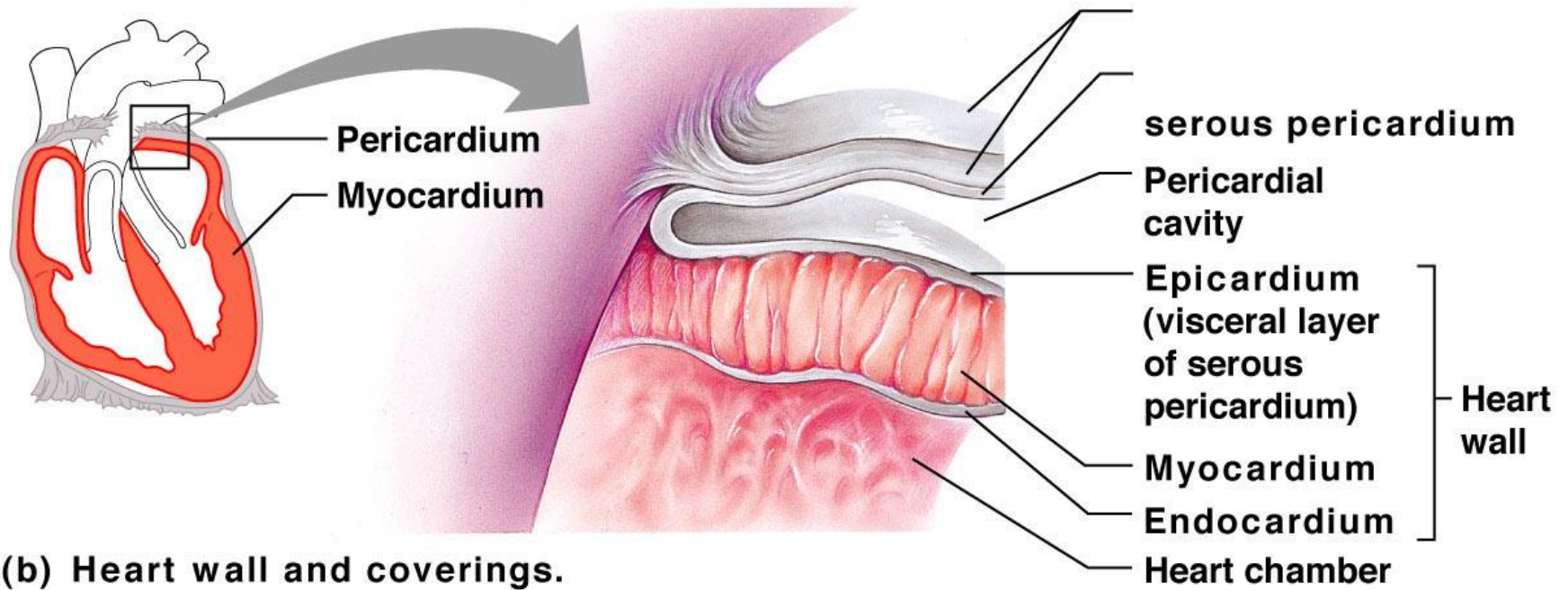
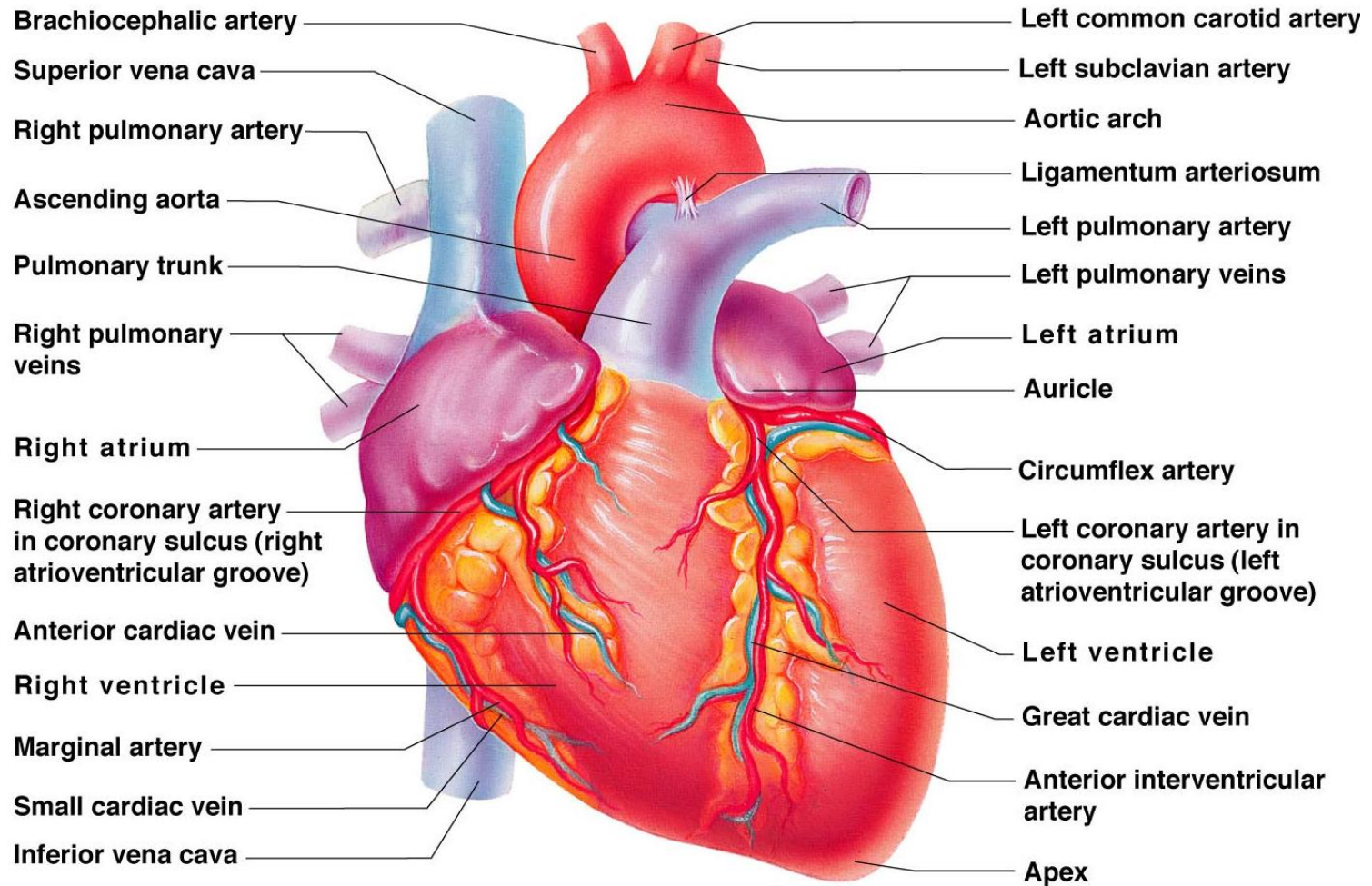


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The Heart



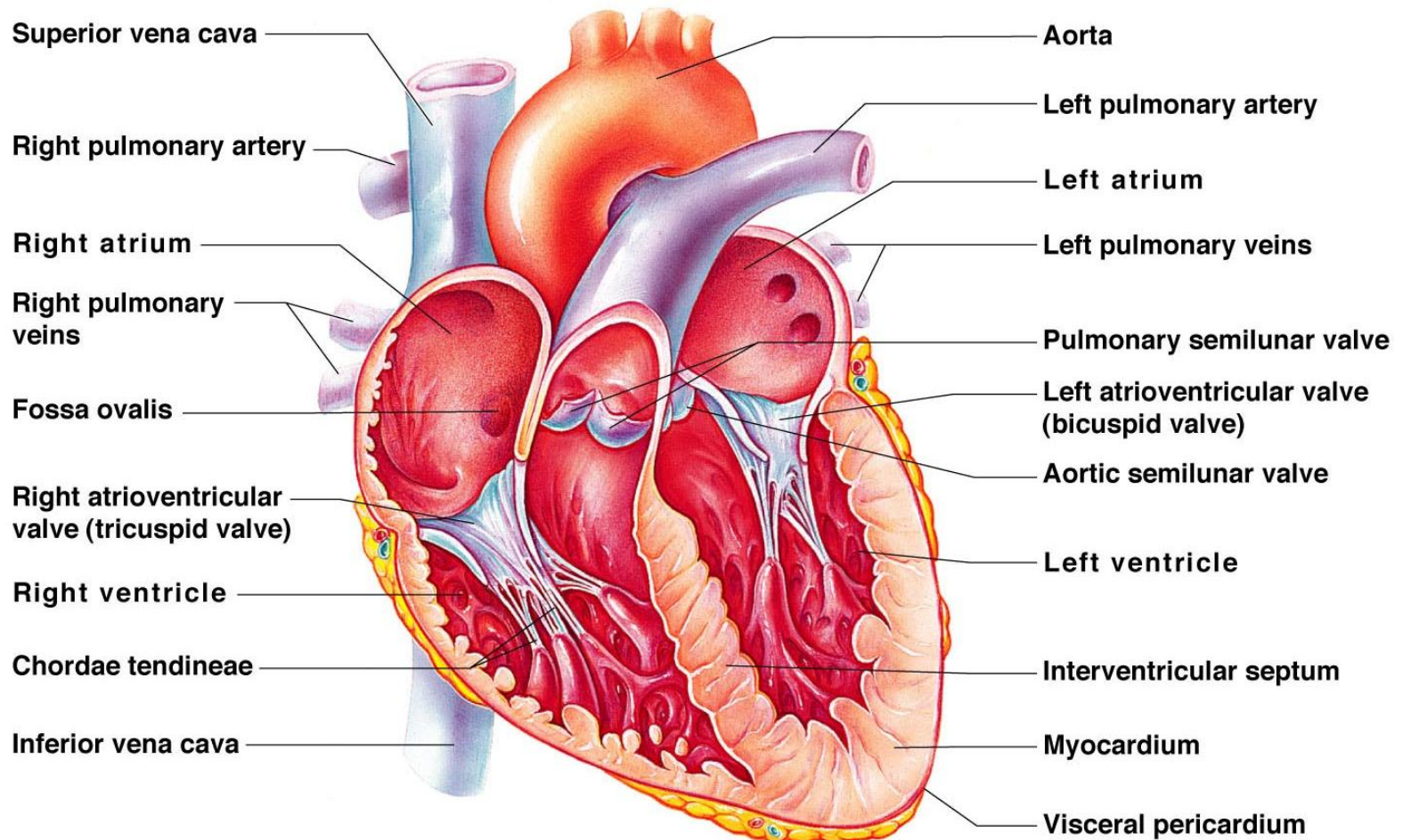
(a) Anterior surface view.

Figure 11.2a

The Heart: Sides & Chambers

- Right and left side act as separate pumps
- Four chambers
 - Atria
 - Receiving chambers
 - Right atrium
 - Left atrium
 - Ventricles
 - Discharging chambers
 - Right ventricle
 - Left ventricle

The Heart: Chambers



(c) Frontal section showing interior chambers and valves.

Figure 11.2c

Differences in Right and Left Ventricles

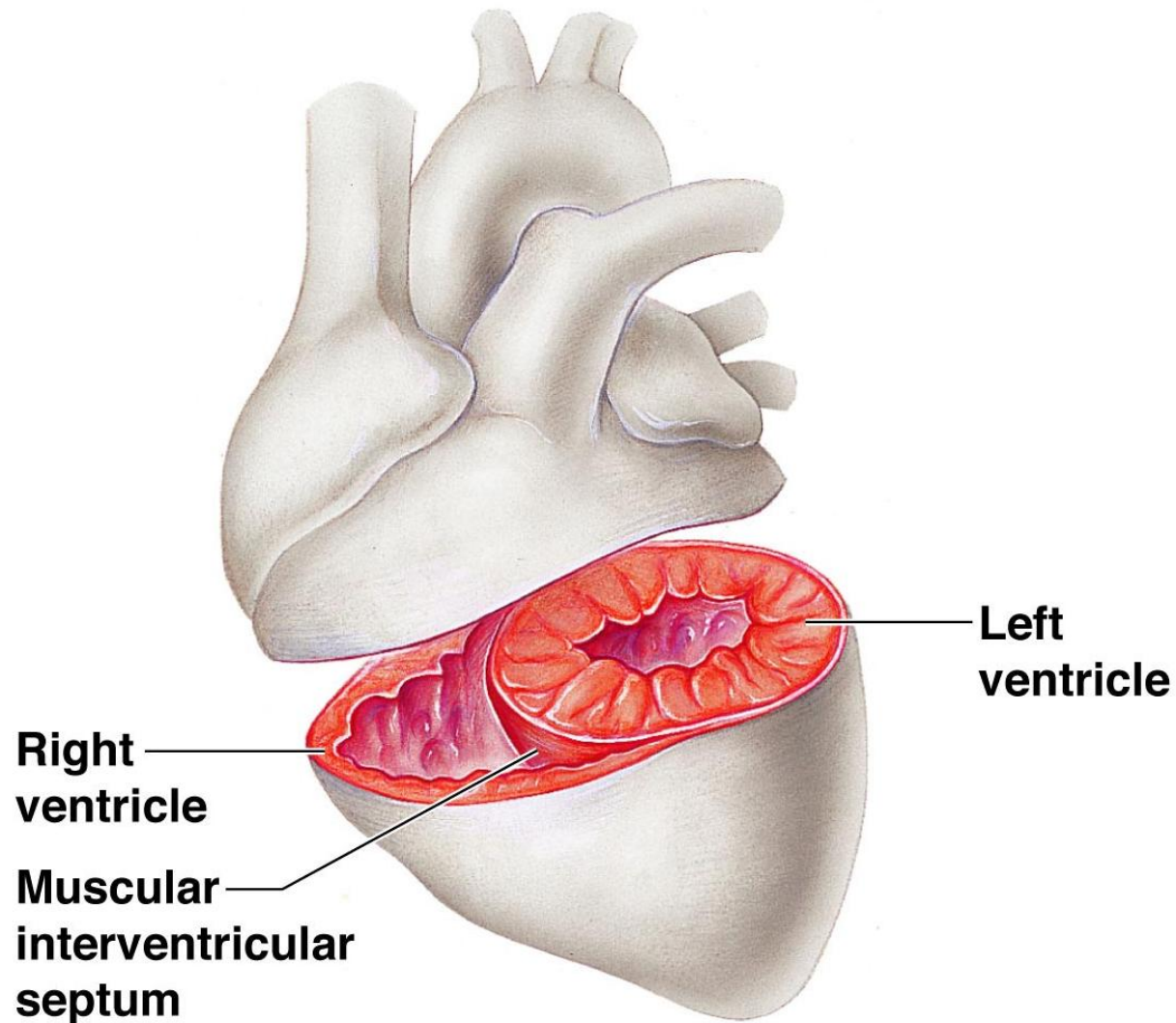
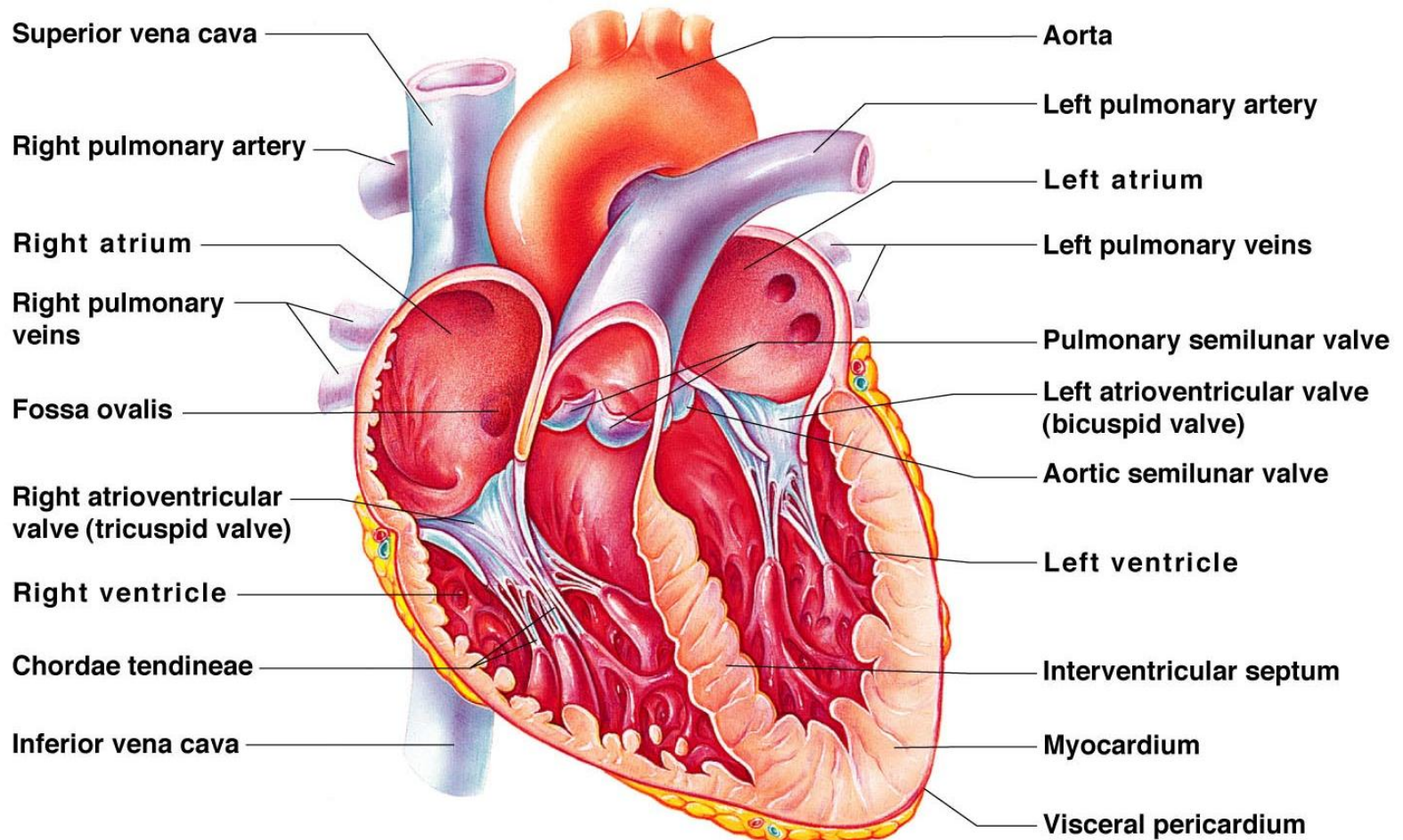


Figure 11.4

The Heart: Valves

- **Allow blood to flow in only one direction to prevent backflow**
- **Four valves**
 - **2 Atrioventricular (AV) valves—between atria and ventricles**
 - **Bicuspid (mitral) valve (left side of heart)**
 - **Tricuspid valve (right side of heart)**
 - **2 Semilunar valves—between ventricles and arteries**
 - **Pulmonary semilunar valve**
 - **Aortic semilunar valve**

The Heart: Valves



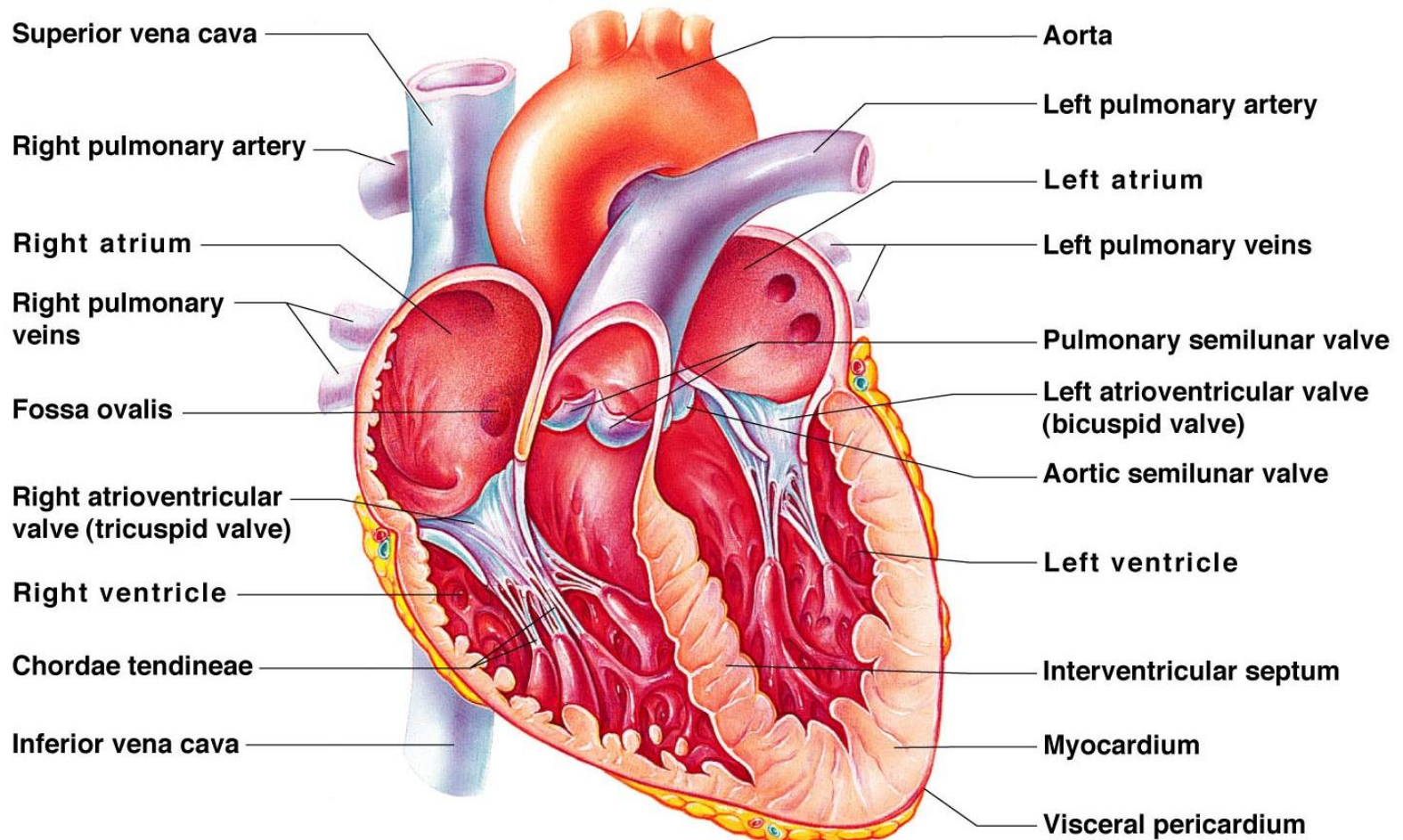
(c) Frontal section showing interior chambers and valves.

Figure 11.2c

The Heart: Valves

- **AV valves**
 - **Anchored in place by chordae tendineae (“heart strings”)**
 - ***Open* during heart relaxation and *closed* during ventricular contraction**
- **Semilunar valves**
 - ***Closed* during heart relaxation but *open* during ventricular contraction**
- **Notice these valves operate opposite of one another to force a one-way path of blood through the heart**

The Heart: Valves

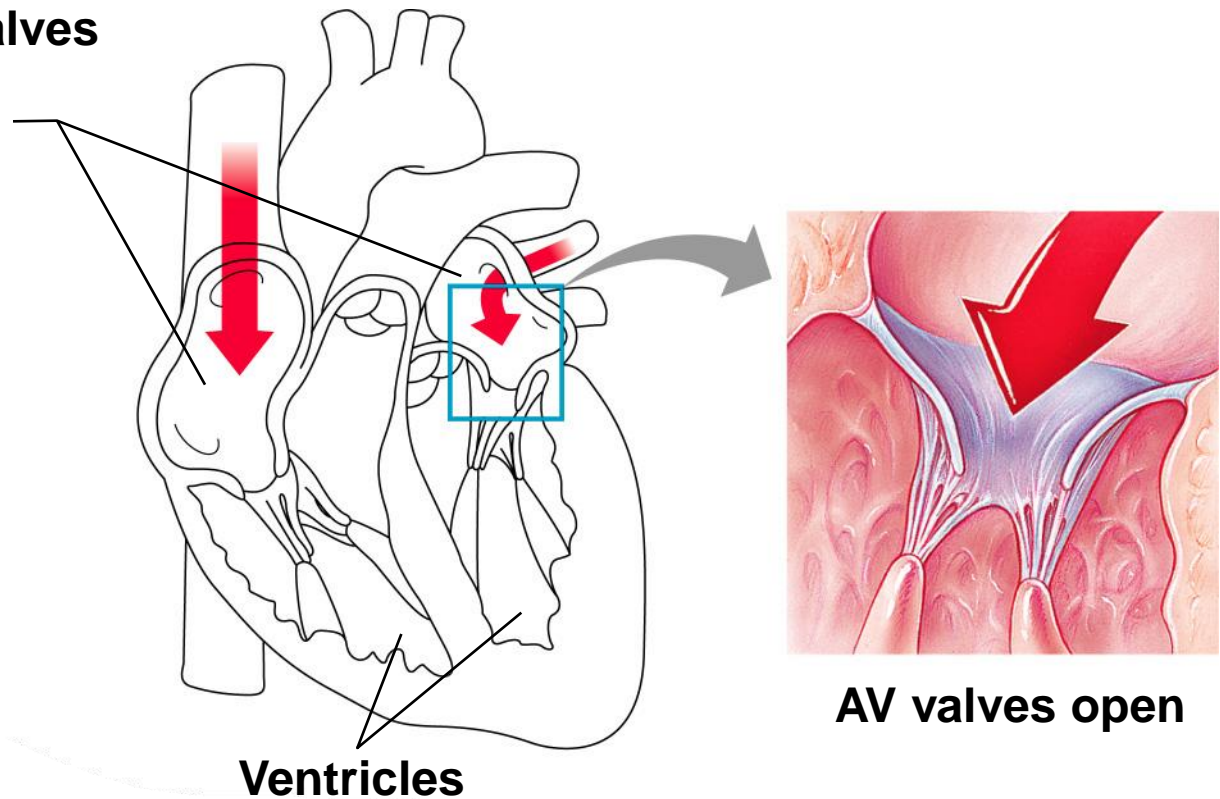


(c) Frontal section showing interior chambers and valves.

Figure 11.2c

Operation of the AV valves

- ① Blood returning to the atria, puts pressure against AV valves; the AV valves are forced open

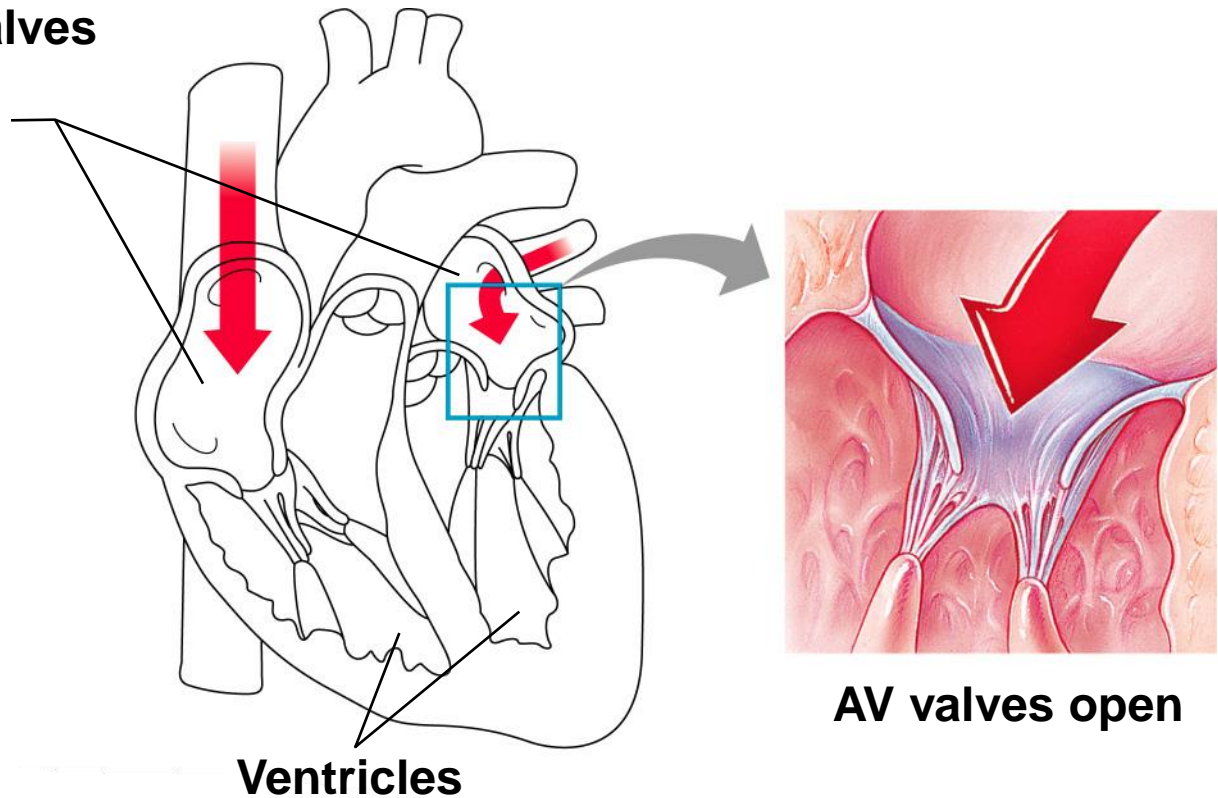


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Figure 11.5a, step 1

Operation of the AV valves

- ① Blood returning to the atria, puts pressure against AV valves; the AV valves are forced open
- ② As the ventricles fill, AV valve flaps hang limply into ventricles



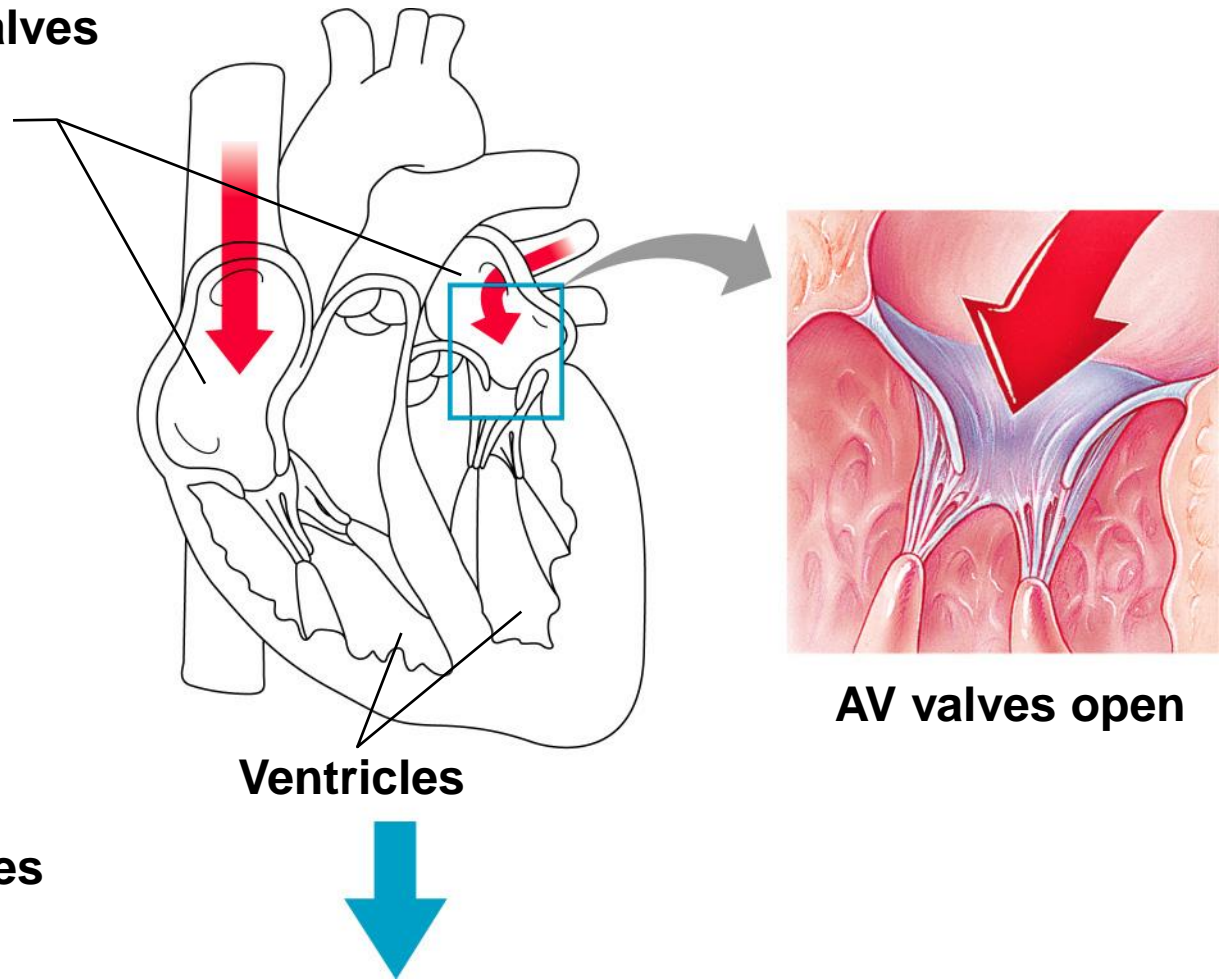
AV valves open

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Figure 11.5a, step 2

Operation of the AV valves

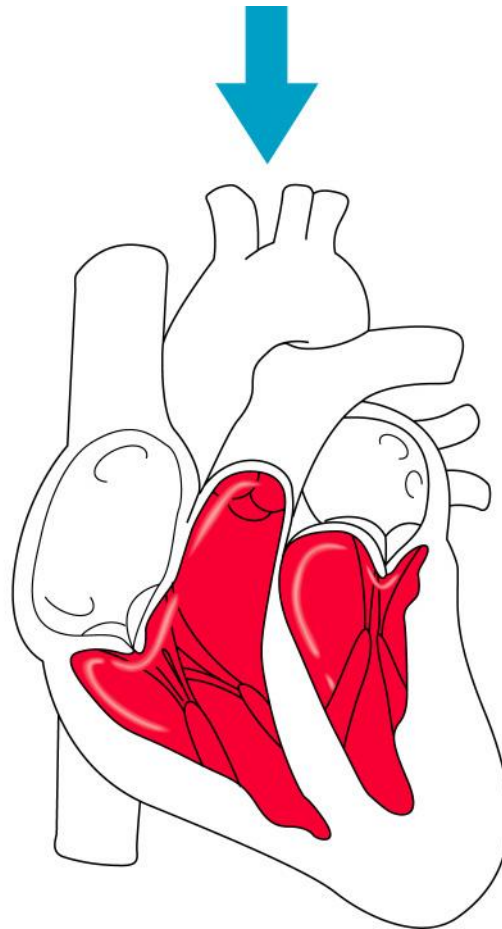
- ① Blood returning to the atria, puts pressure against AV valves; the AV valves are forced open
- ② As the ventricles fill, AV valve flaps hang limply into ventricles
- ③ Atria contract, forcing additional blood into ventricles



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Figure 11.5a, step 3

① **Ventricles contract,
forcing blood
against AV valve
flaps**

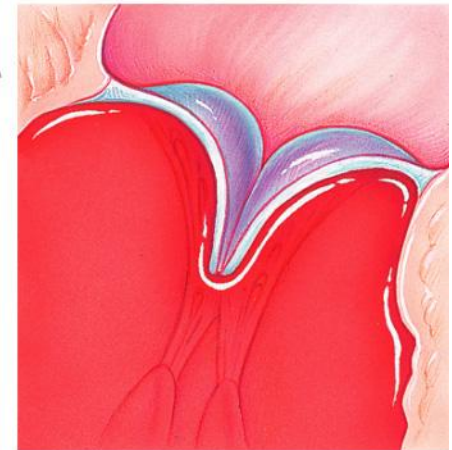
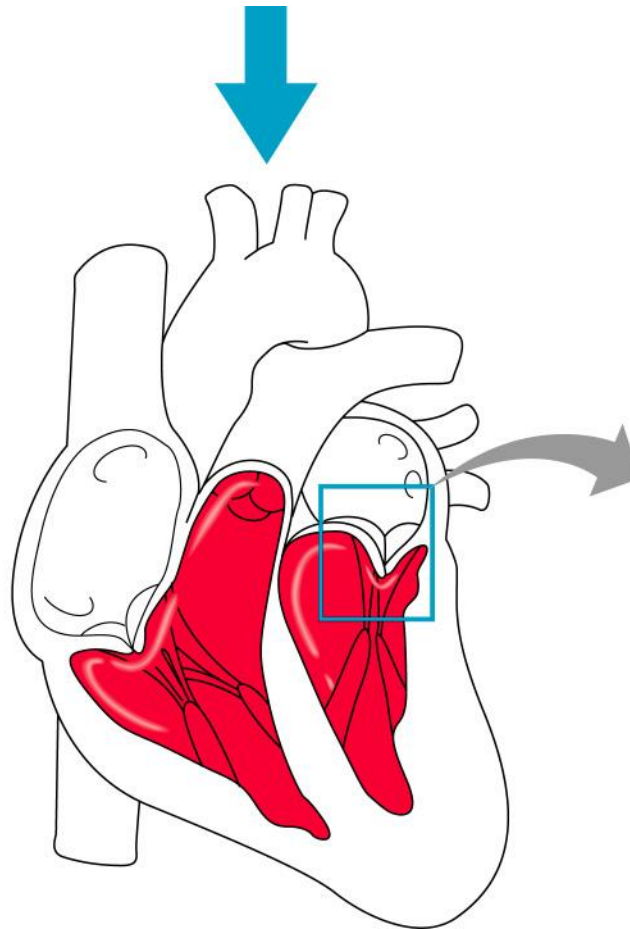


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Figure 11.5a, step 4

① Ventricles contract,
forcing blood
against AV valve
flaps

② AV valves close

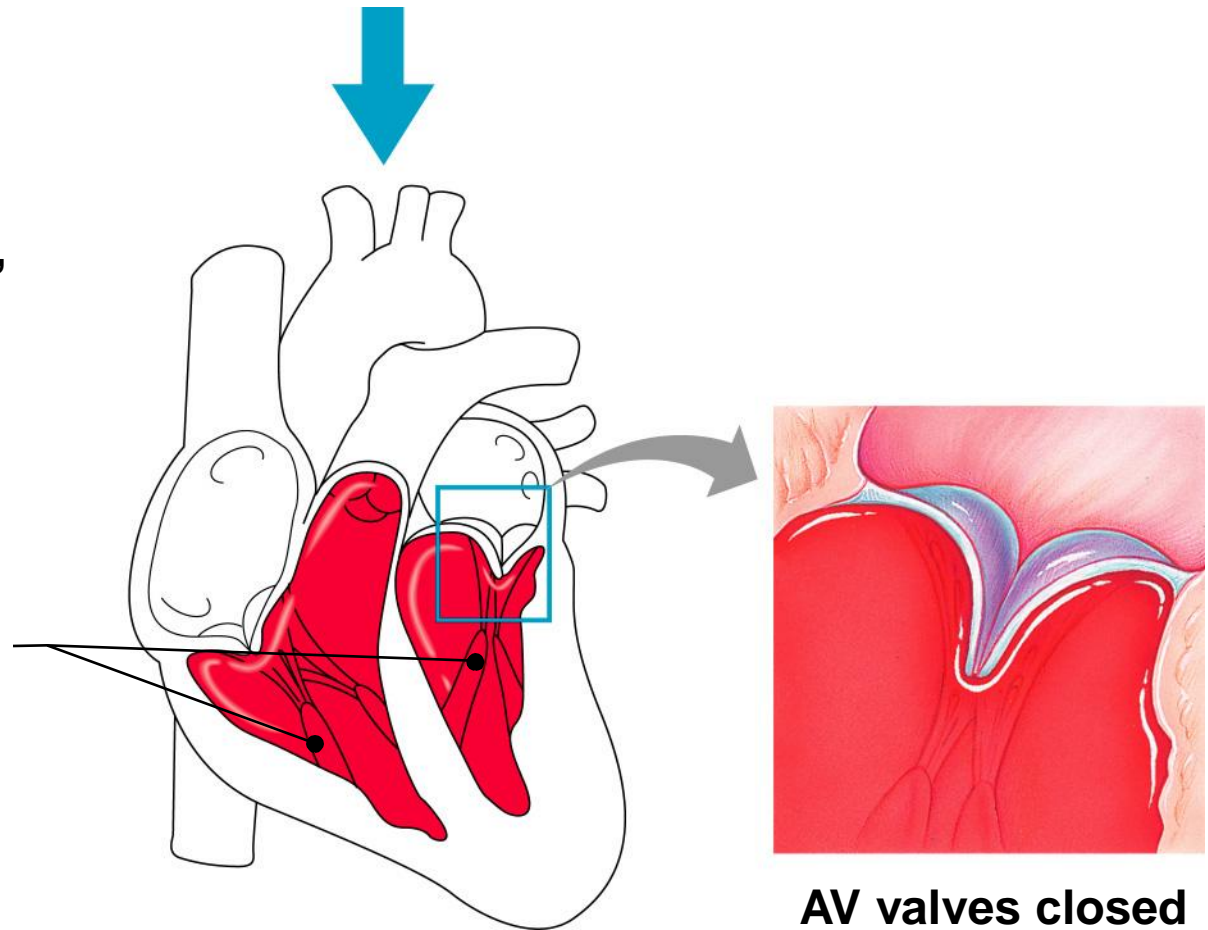


AV valves closed

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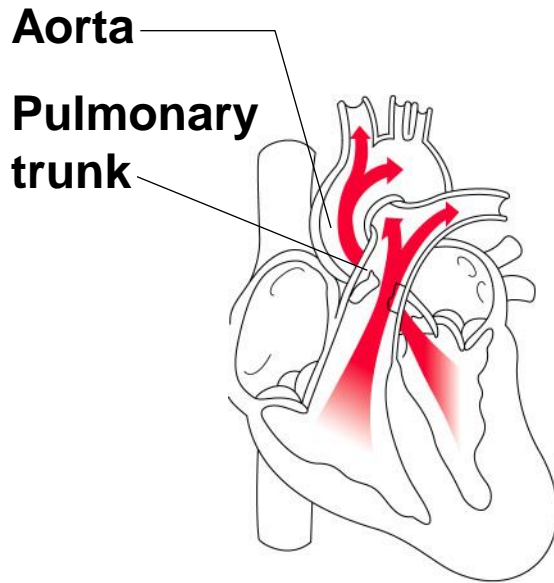
- ① Ventricles contract, forcing blood against AV valve flaps
- ② AV valves close
- ③ Chordae tendineae tighten, preventing valve flaps from everting into atria



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Figure 11.5a, step 6

Operation of the semilunar valves



As ventricles contract and intraventricular pressure rises, blood is pushed up against semilunar valves, forcing them open

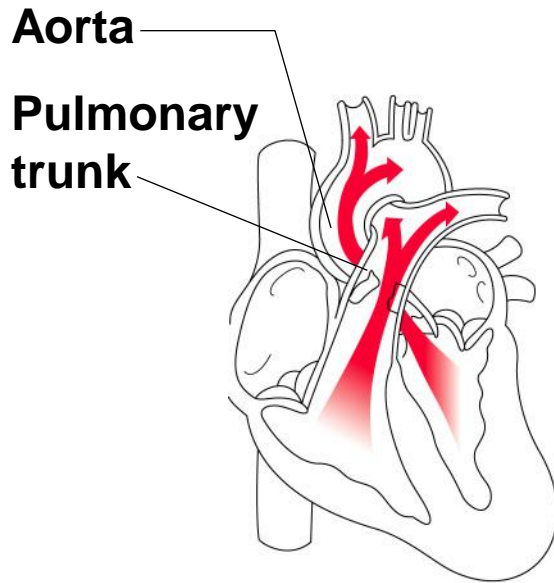


Semilunar valve open

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Figure 11.5b, step 1

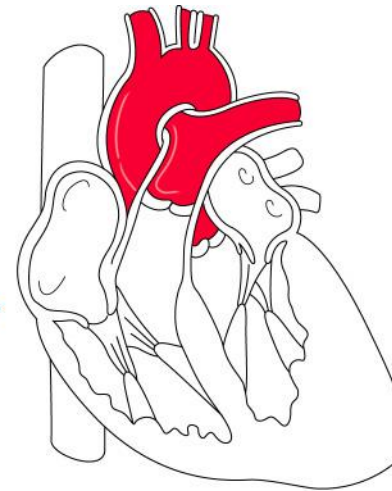
Operation of the semilunar valves



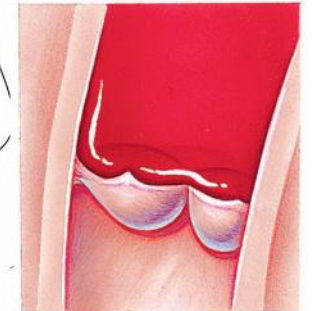
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Semilunar valve open



As ventricles relax, and intraventricular pressure falls, blood flows back from arteries, filling the leaflets of semilunar valves and forcing them to close



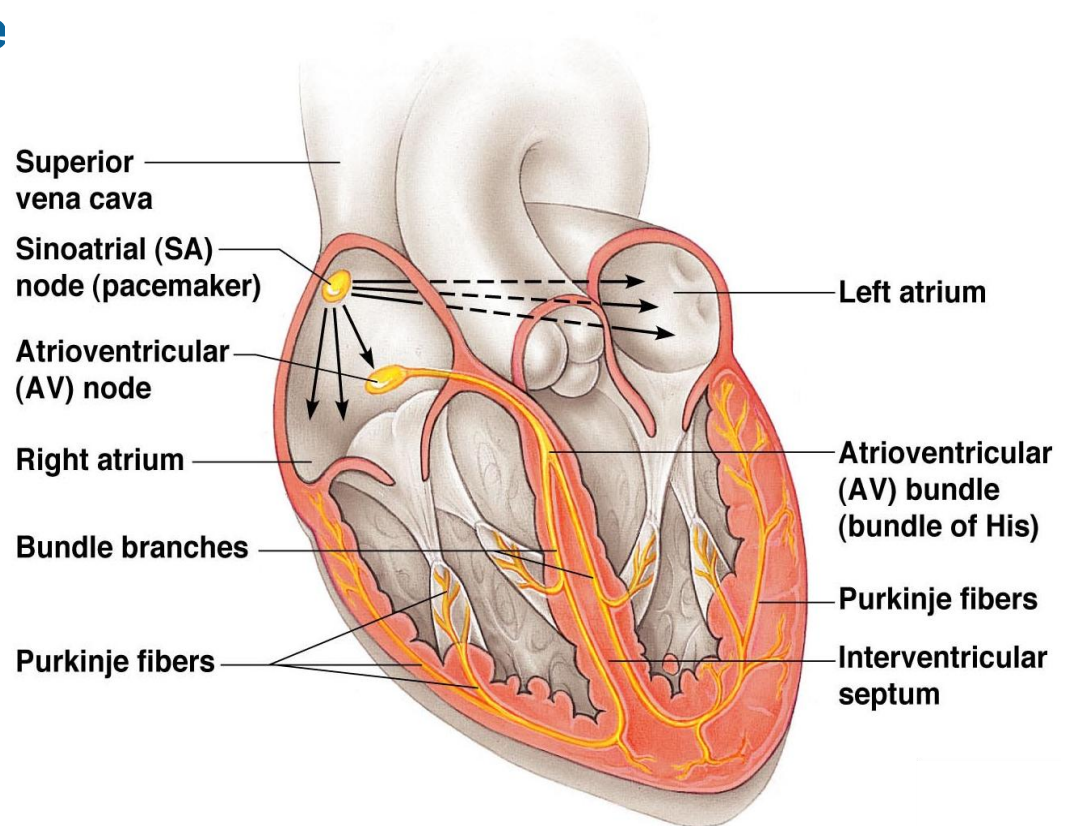
Semilunar valve closed

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Figure 11.5b, step 2

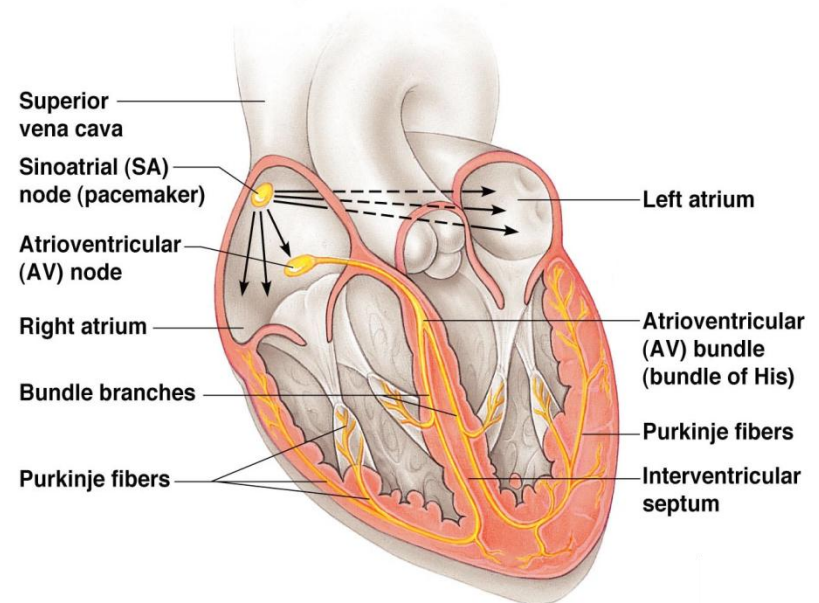
The Heart: Conduction System

- **Intrinsic conduction system (nodal system)**
 - **Heart muscle cells contract, without nerve impulses, in a regular, continuous way**



The Heart: Conduction System

- Special tissue sets the pace
 - Sinoatrial node = SA node (“pacemaker”), is in the right atrium
 - Atrioventricular node = AV node, is at the junction of the atria and ventricles
 - Atrioventricular bundle = AV bundle (bundle of His), is in the interventricular septum
 - Bundle branches are in the interventricular septum
 - Purkinje fibers spread within the ventricle wall muscles
- Force cardiac muscle depolarization in one direction—from atria to ventricles



Heart Contractions

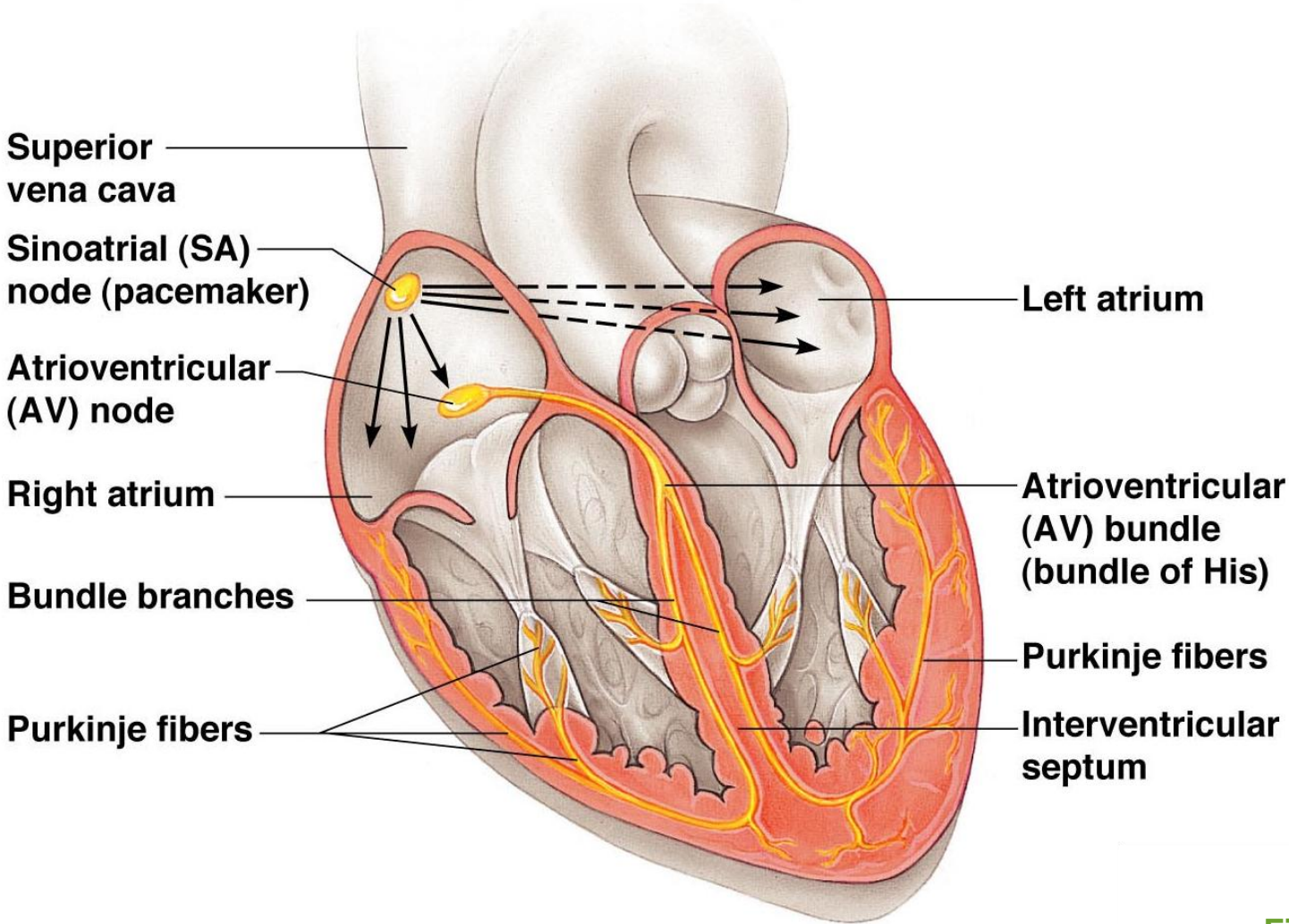
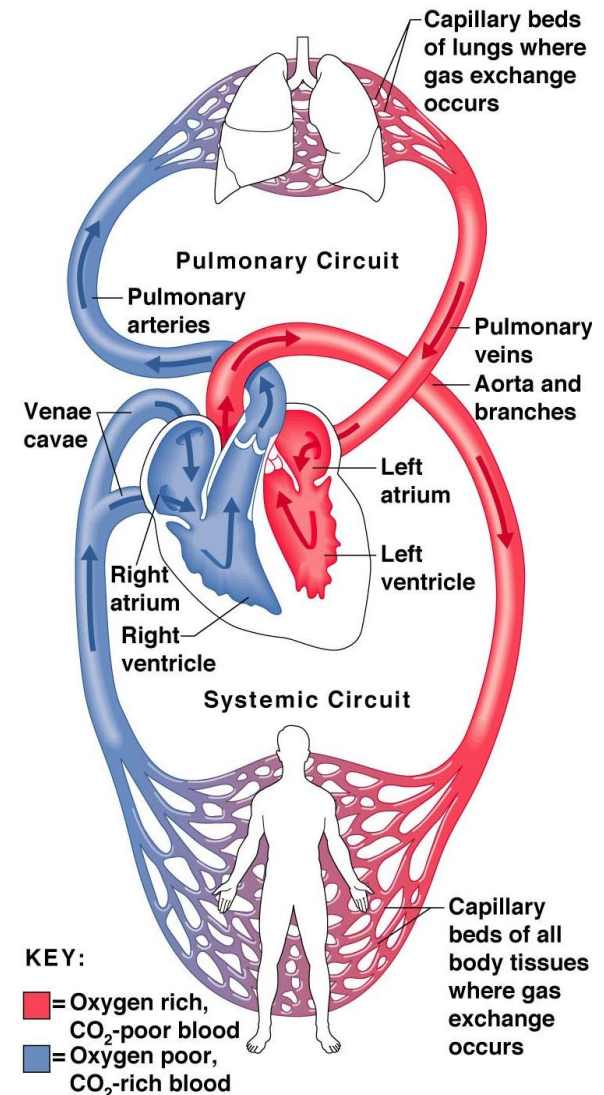


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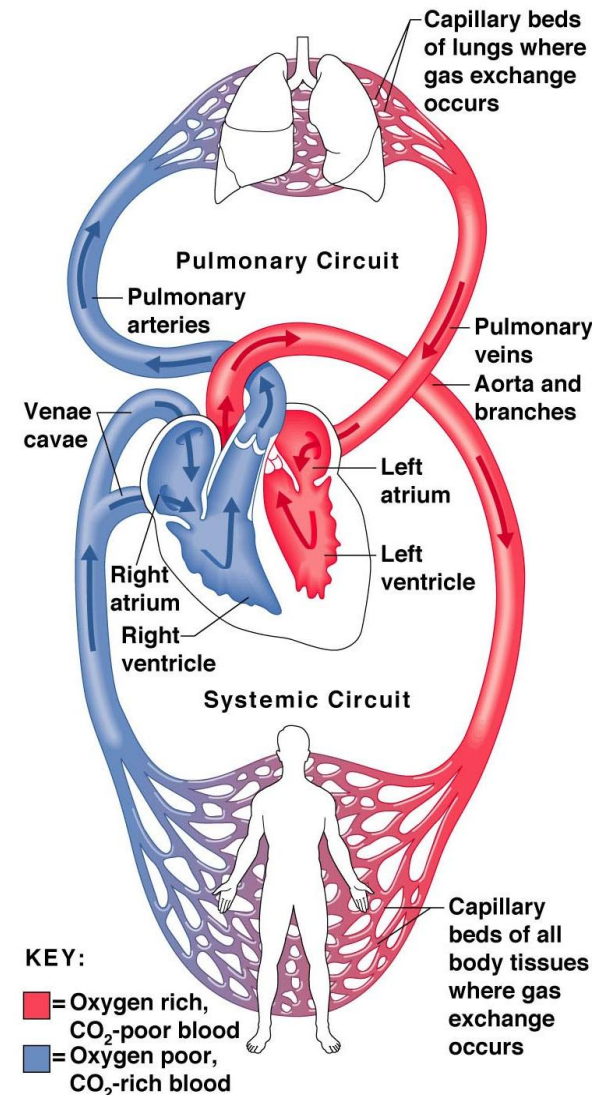
Blood Flow Through the Heart

- Superior and inferior venae cavae return blood to the right atrium
- From right atrium, through the tricuspid valve, blood travels to the right ventricle
- From the right ventricle, blood leaves the heart as it passes through the pulmonary semilunar valve into the pulmonary trunk
- Pulmonary trunk splits into right and left pulmonary arteries that carry blood to the lungs



Blood Flow Through the Heart

- Oxygen is picked up and carbon dioxide is dropped off by blood in the lungs
- Oxygen-rich blood returns to the heart through the four pulmonary veins
- Blood enters the left atrium and travels through the bicuspid valve into the left ventricle
- From the left ventricle, blood leaves the heart via the aortic semilunar valve into aorta



Heart Contractions

- **Homeostatic imbalance**
 - **Heart block**—damaged AV node releases them from control of the SA node; result is in a slower heart rate as ventricles contract at their own rate
 - **Ischemia**—lack of adequate oxygen supply to heart muscle
 - **Fibrillation**—a rapid, uncoordinated shuddering of the heart muscle
 - **Tachycardia**—rapid heart rate over 100 beats per minute
 - **Bradycardia**—slow heart rate less than 60 beats per minutes

Systemic and Pulmonary Circulations

- **Pulmonary circulation**
 - **Blood flows from the right side of the heart to the lungs and back to the left side of the heart**
- **Systemic circulation**
 - **Blood flows from the left side of the heart through the body tissues and back to the right side of the heart**

Systemic and Pulmonary Circulations

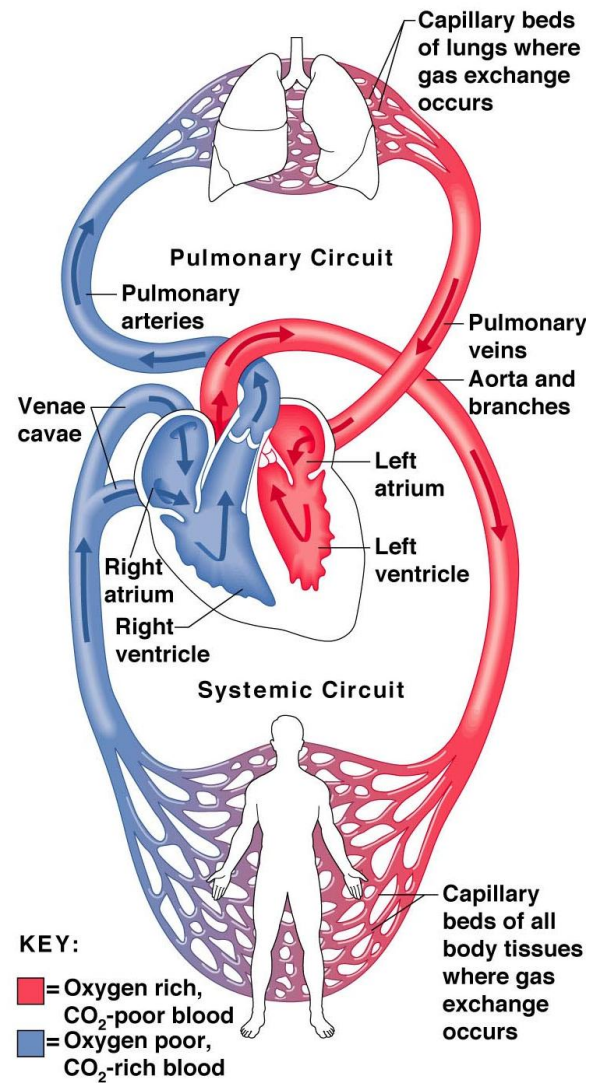


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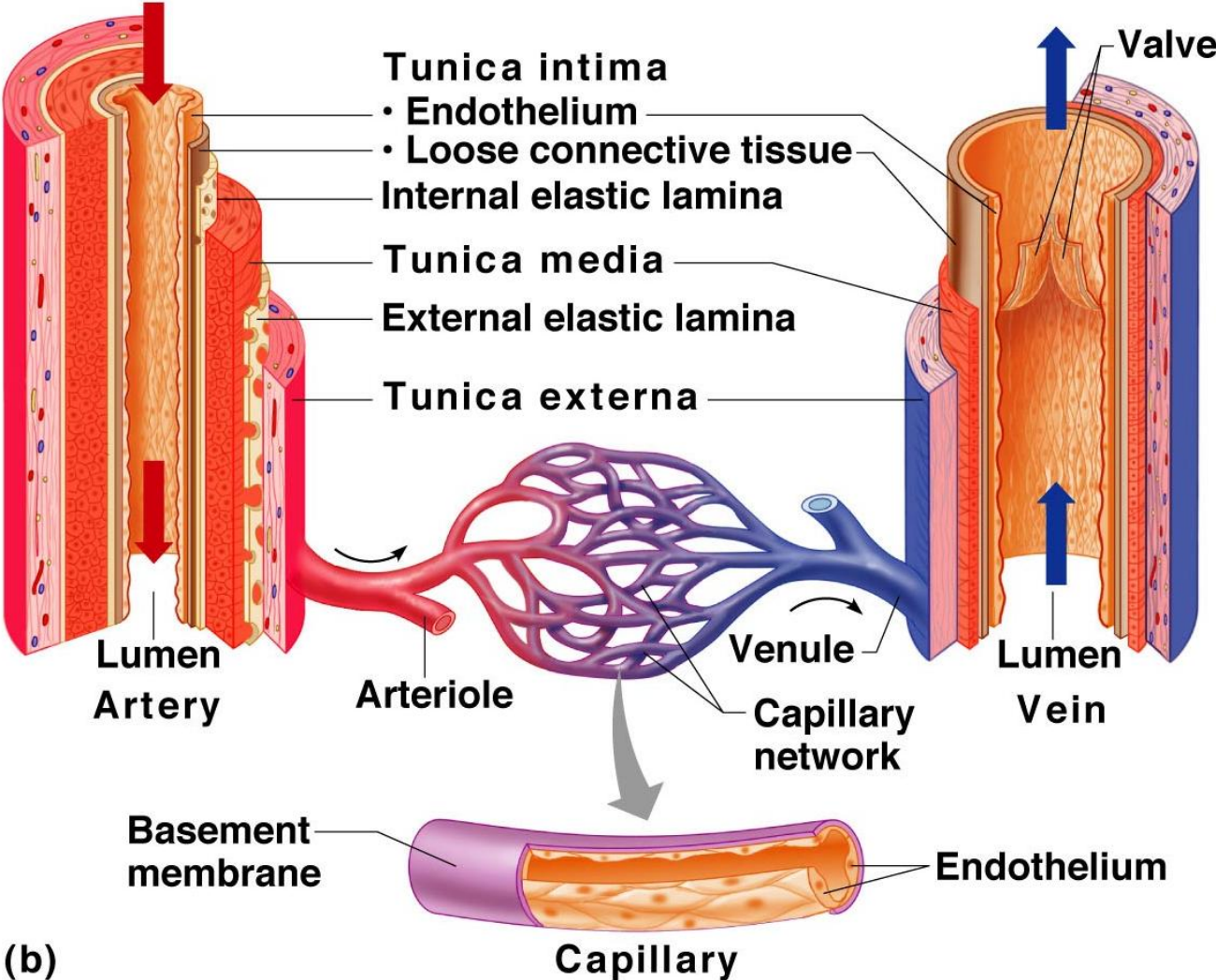
The Heart: Associated Great Vessels

- **Arteries – take blood away from heart**
 - **Aorta**
 - **Leaves left ventricle**
 - **Pulmonary trunk/artery**
 - **Leaves right ventricle**

The Heart: Associated Great Vessels

- **Veins – return blood to heart**
 - **Superior and inferior venae cavae**
 - **Enter right atrium**
 - **Pulmonary veins (four)**
 - **Enter left atrium**

Blood Vessels: The Vascular System

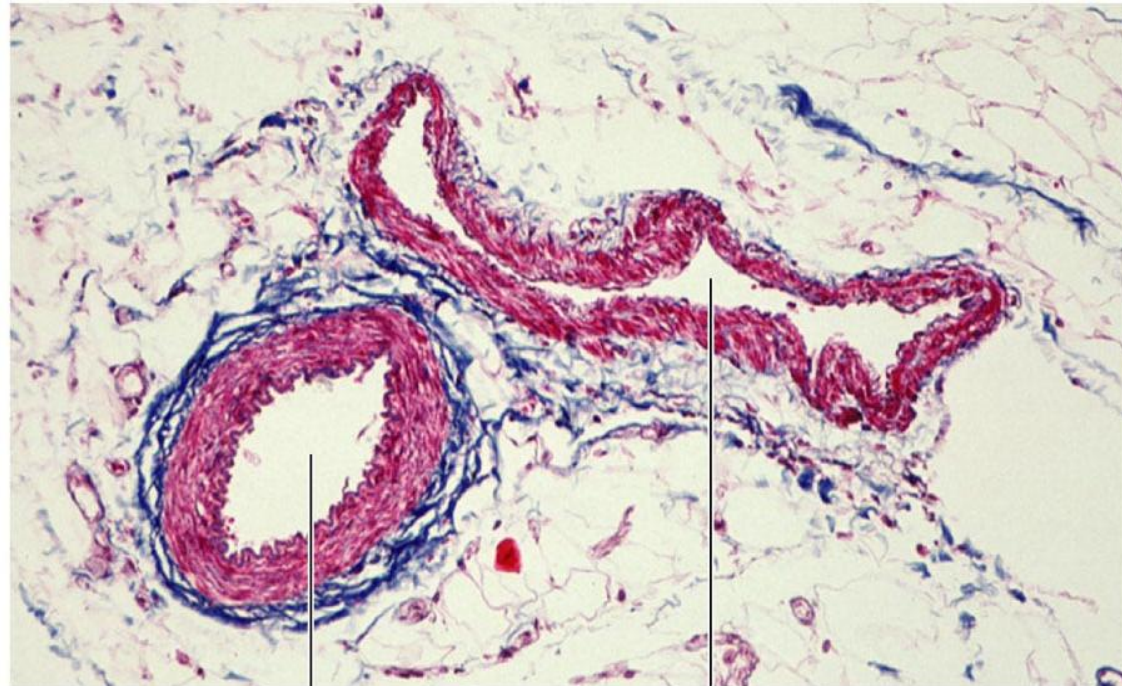


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Figure 11.9b

Differences Between Blood Vessels

- Walls of arteries are the thickest
- Lumens of veins are larger
- Larger veins have valves to prevent backflow
- Skeletal muscle “milks” blood in veins toward the heart
- Walls of capillaries are only one cell layer thick to allow for exchanges between blood and tissue



(a)

Artery

Vein

Blood Vessels: The Vascular System

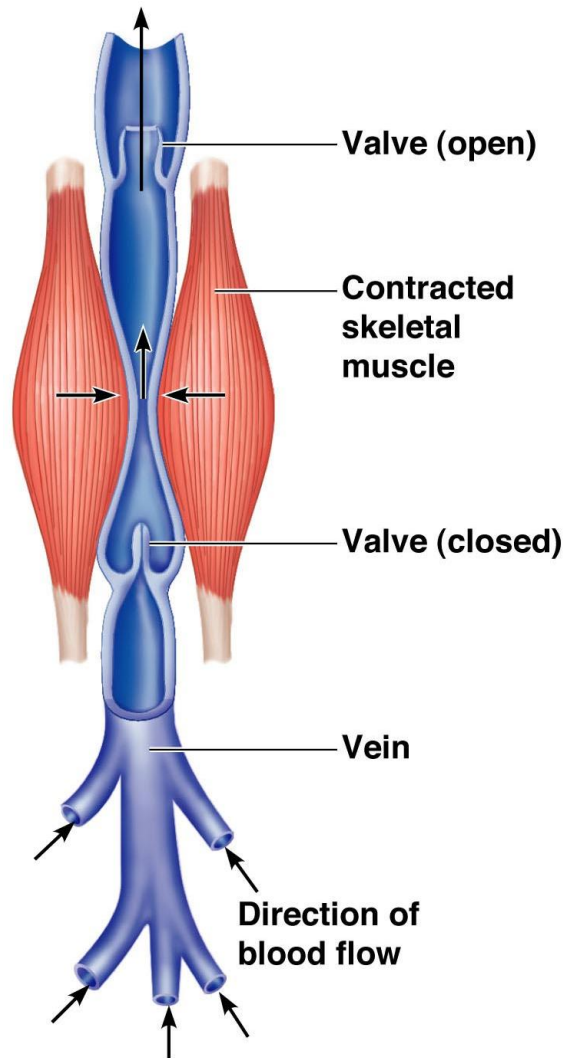
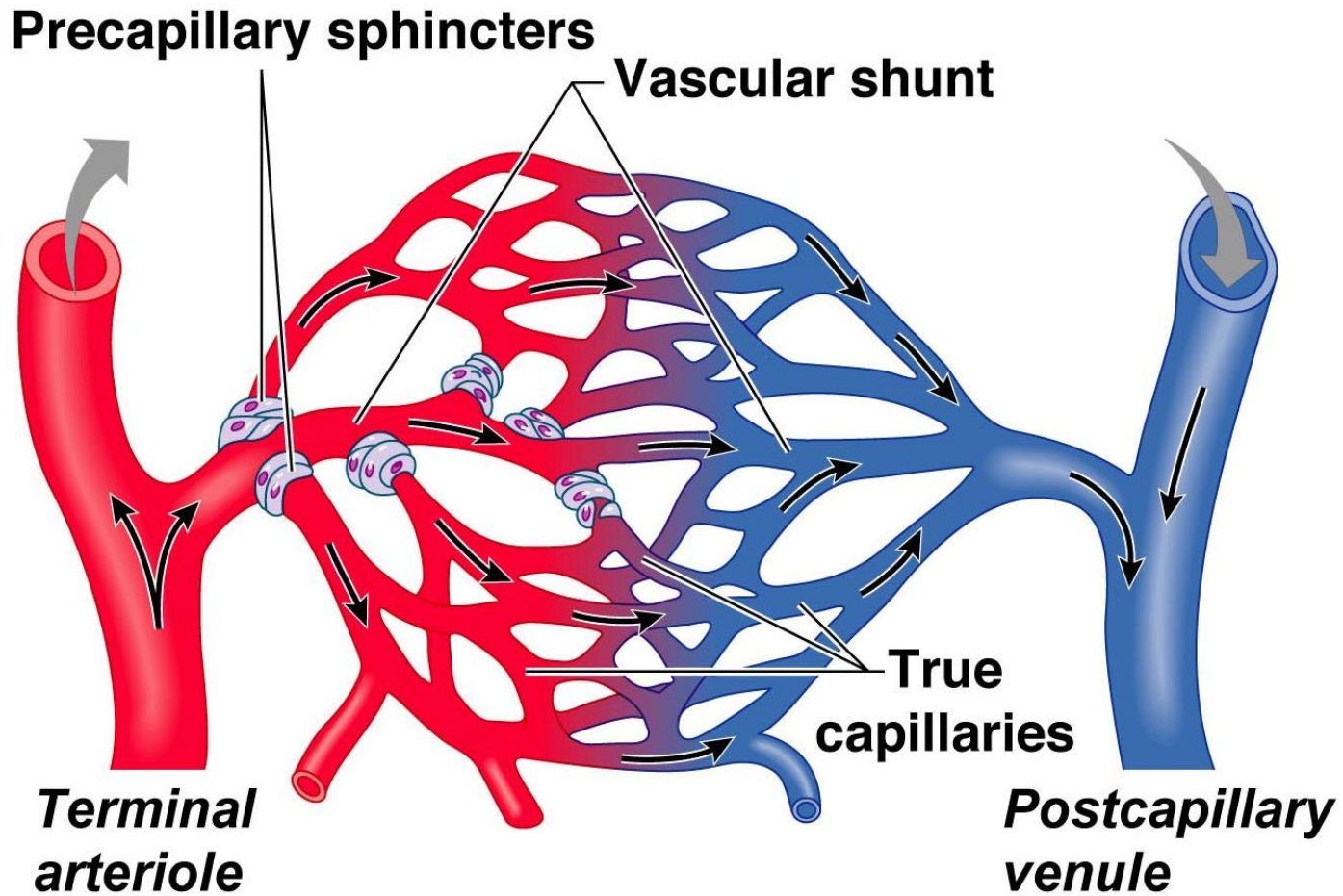


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Capillary Beds



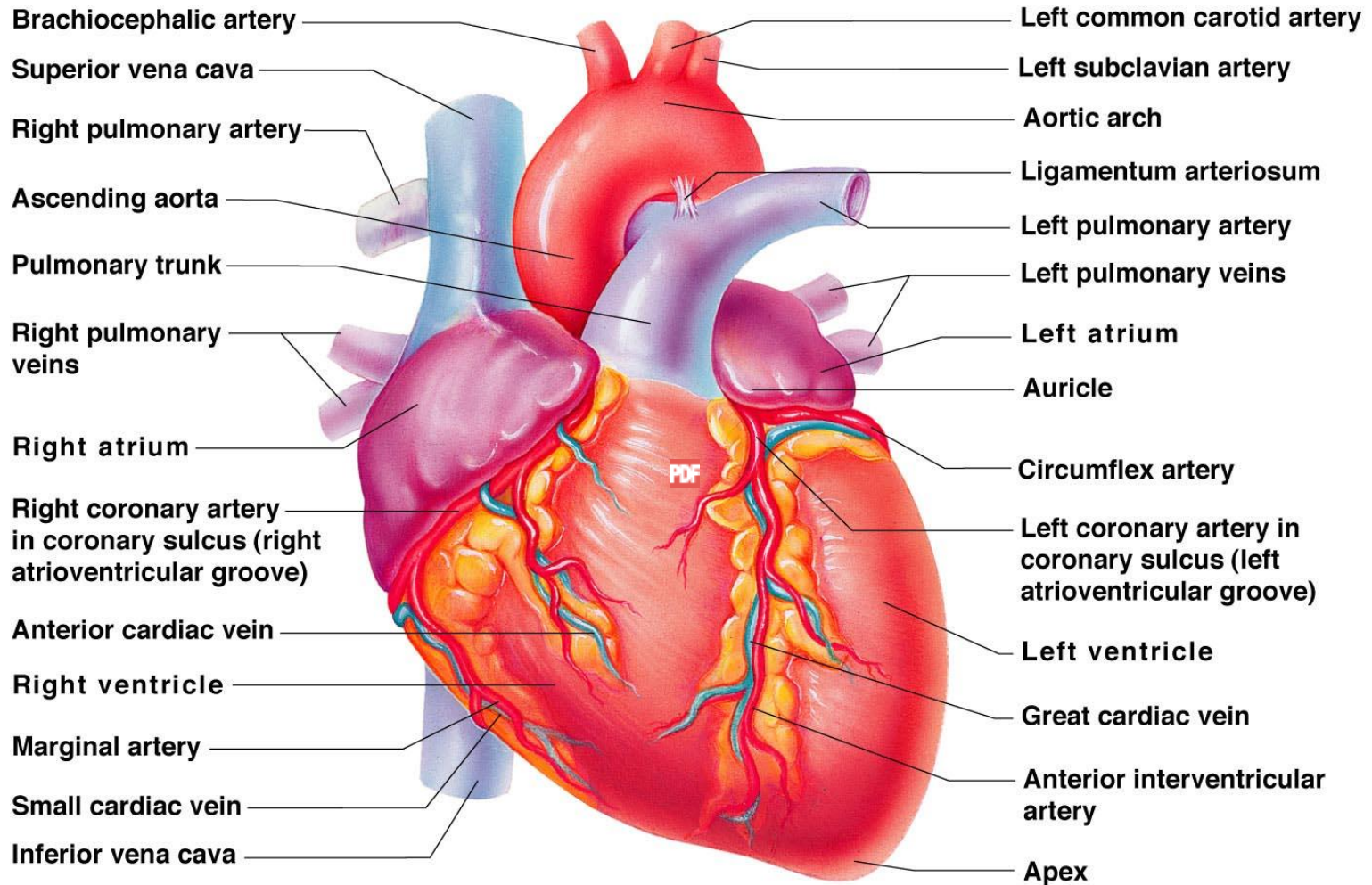
(a) Sphincters open

Figure 11.11a

Major Arteries of System Circulation

- **Aorta**
 - **Largest artery in the body**
 - **Leaves from the left ventricle of the heart**
 - **Regions**
 - **Ascending aorta—leaves the left ventricle**
 - **Aortic arch—arches to the left**
 - **Thoracic aorta—travels downward through the thorax**
 - **Abdominal aorta—passes through the diaphragm into the abdominopelvic cavity**

The Heart



(a) Anterior surface view.

Figure 11.2a

Major Arteries of Systemic Circulation

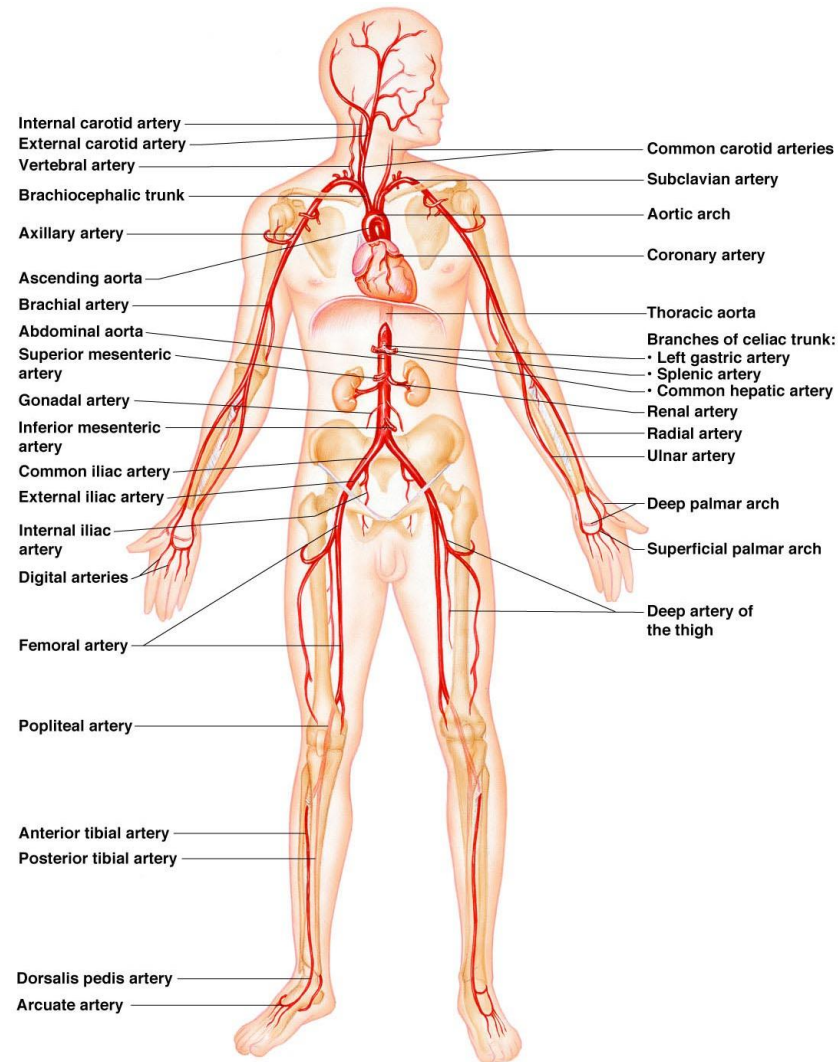


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Major Veins of Systemic Circulation

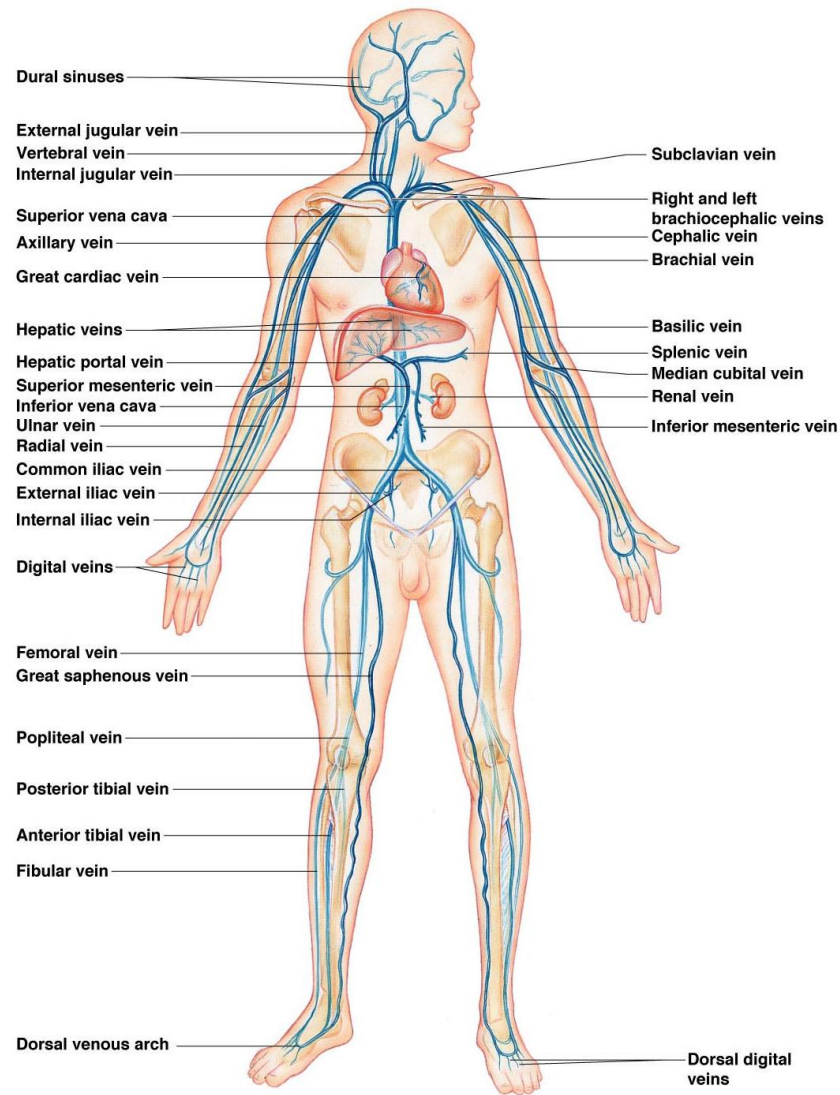
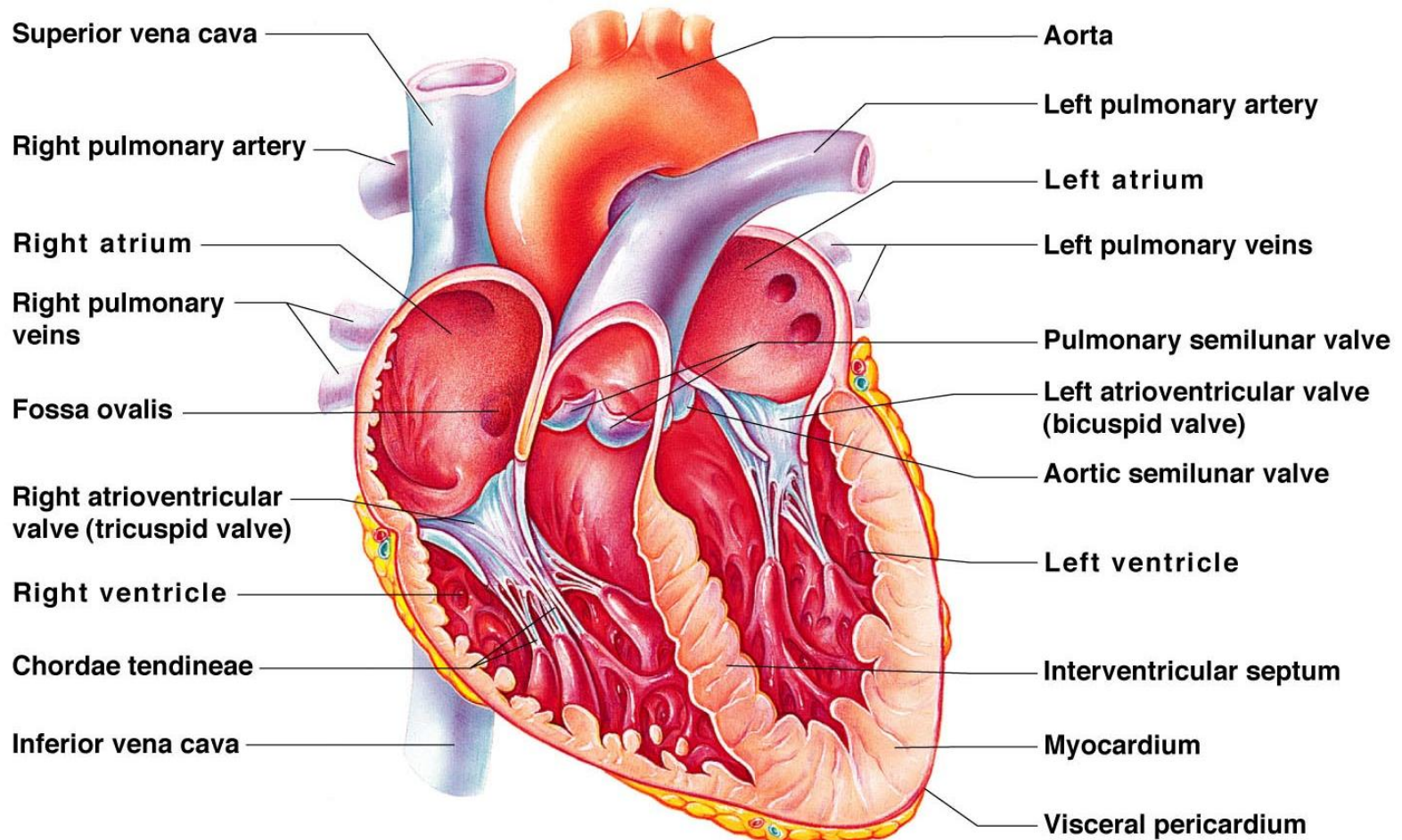


Figure 11.13

The Heart: Associated Great Vessels



(c) Frontal section showing interior chambers and valves.

Figure 11.2c

Coronary Circulation

- **Blood in the heart chambers does not nourish the myocardium**
- **The heart has its own nourishing circulatory system consisting of**
 - **Coronary arteries—branch from the ascending aorta to supply the heart muscle with oxygenated blood**
 - **Cardiac veins—drain the myocardium of blood**
 - **Coronary sinus—a large vein on the posterior of the heart, receives blood from cardiac veins**
 - **Blood empties into the right atrium via the coronary sinus**

Major Arteries of Systemic Circulation

- **Arterial branches of the aorta arch (BCS)**
 - **Brachiocephalic trunk**
 - **Left Common carotid artery**
 - **Left subclavian artery**

Major Arteries of Systemic Circulation

- **Arterial branches of the aorta arch (BCS)**
 - **Brachiocephalic trunk splits into the**
 - **Right common carotid artery**
 - **Right subclavian artery**
 - **Left Common carotid artery splits into the**
 - **Internal and external carotid arteries**
 - **Left subclavian artery branches into the**
 - **Vertebral artery**
 - **In the axilla, the subclavian artery becomes the axillary artery → brachial artery → radial and ulnar arteries**

Major Arteries of Systemic Circulation

- **Brachiocephalic trunk splits into the**
 - **Right common carotid artery**
 - **Right subclavian artery**
- **Common carotid artery splits into the**
 - **Internal and external carotid arteries**
- **Subclavian artery gives off**
 - **Vertebral artery**

Major Arteries of Systemic Circulation

- **Subclavian artery, in the axilla → axillary artery, in the arm → brachial artery, in the elbow → radial and ulnar arteries**

Major Arteries of Systemic Circulation

- **Arterial branches of the thoracic aorta**
 - **Intercostal arteries supply the muscles of the thorax wall**
 - **Other branches of the thoracic aorta supply the**
 - **Lungs (bronchial arteries)**
 - **Esophagus (esophageal arteries)**
 - **Diaphragm (phrenic arteries)**

Major Arteries of Systemic Circulation

- **Arterial branches of the abdominal aorta**
 - **Celiac trunk is the first branch of the abdominal aorta. Three branches are**
 - **Left gastric artery (stomach)**
 - **Splenic artery (spleen)**
 - **Common hepatic artery (liver)**
 - **Superior mesenteric artery supplies the small intestine and 60% of the large intestine**
 - **Inferior mesenteric artery serves the remainder of the large intestine**

Major Arteries of Systemic Circulation

- **Arterial branches of the abdominal aorta**
 - **Left and right renal arteries (kidney)**
 - **Left and right gonadal arteries**
 - **Ovarian arteries in females serve the ovaries**
 - **Testicular arteries in males serve the testes**
 - **Lumbar arteries serve muscles of the abdomen and trunk**

Major Arteries of Systemic Circulation

- **Arterial branches of the abdominal aorta**
 - **Left and right common iliac arteries are the final branches of the aorta**
 - **Internal iliac arteries serve the pelvic organs**
 - **External iliac arteries enter the thigh → femoral artery, in the knee → popliteal artery, in the leg → anterior and posterior tibial arteries**

Major Arteries of Systemic Circulation

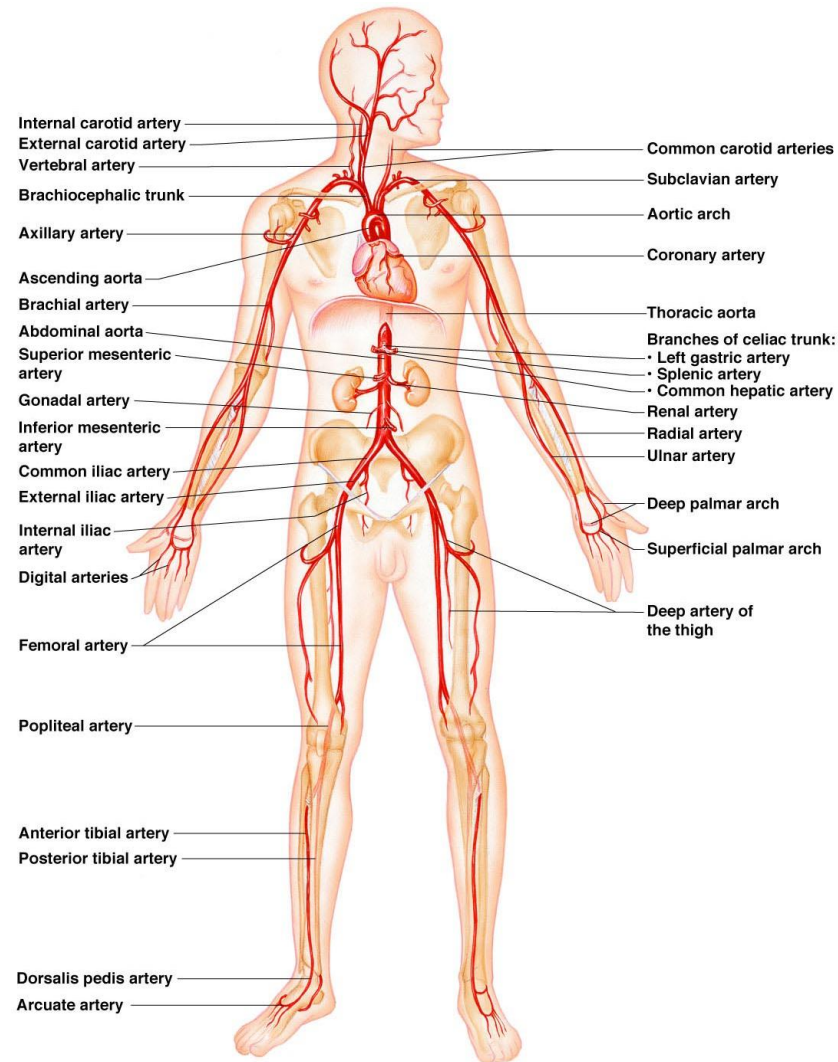


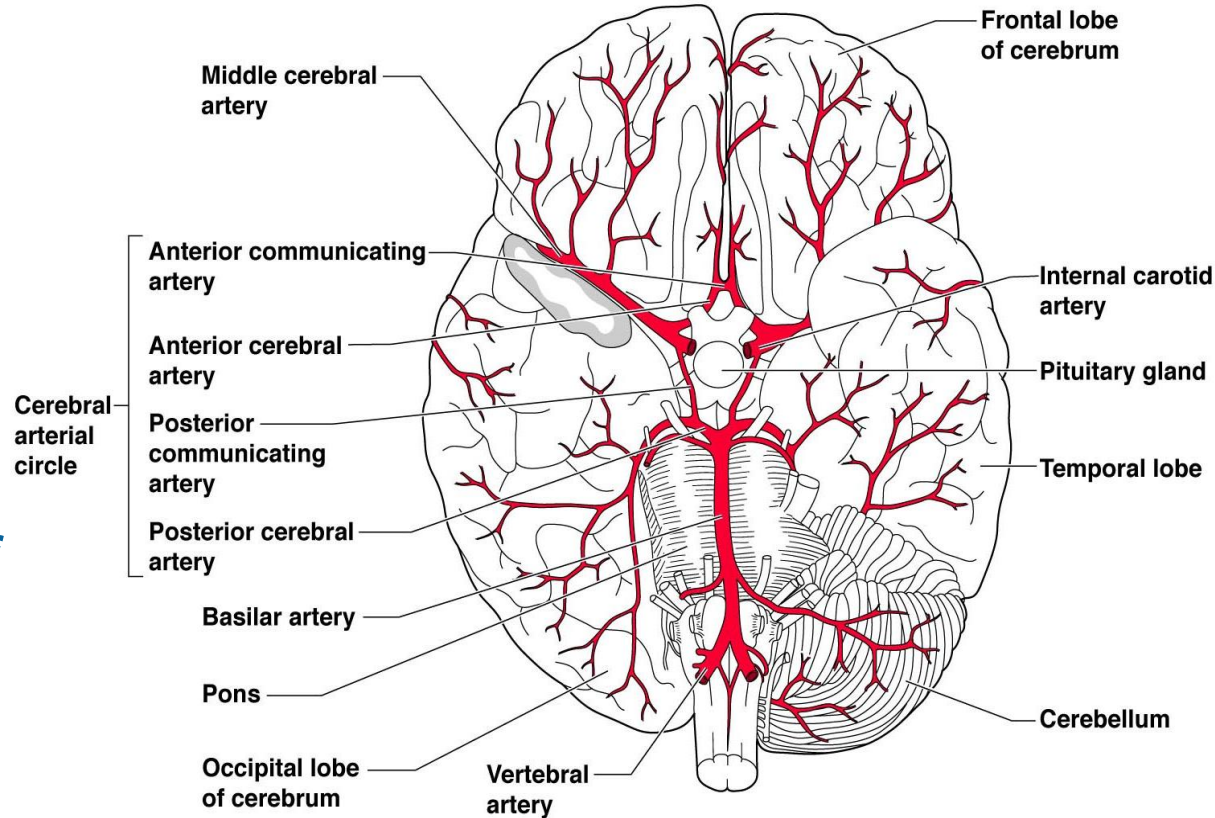
Figure 11.12

Arterial Supply of the Brain

- **Internal carotid arteries divide into**
 - **Anterior and middle cerebral arteries**
 - **These arteries supply most of the cerebrum**
- **Vertebral arteries join once within the skull to form the basilar artery**
 - **Basilar artery branches serve the brain stem and cerebellum**
 - **Posterior cerebral arteries form from the division of the basilar artery**
 - **These arteries supply the posterior cerebrum**

Circle of Willis

- Anterior and posterior blood supplies are united by small communicating arterial branches
- Result—complete circle of connecting blood vessels called *cerebral arterial circle* or *circle of Willis*



Major Arteries of Systemic Circulation

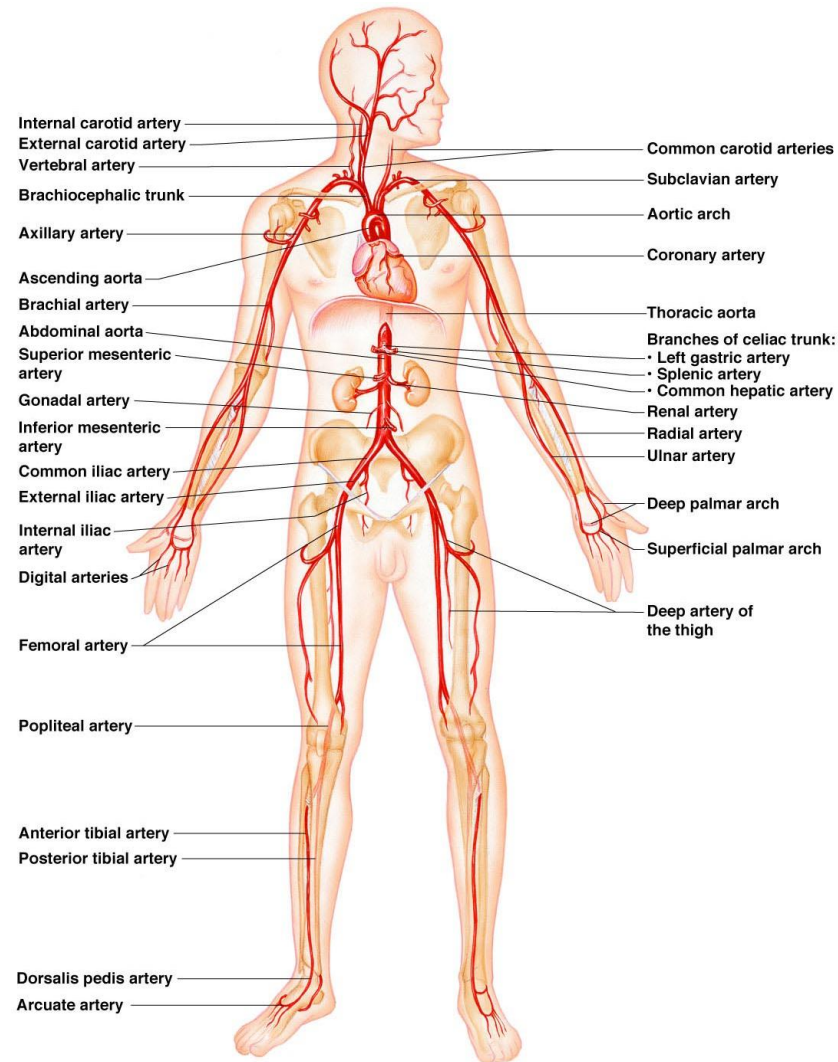


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Major Veins of Systemic Circulation

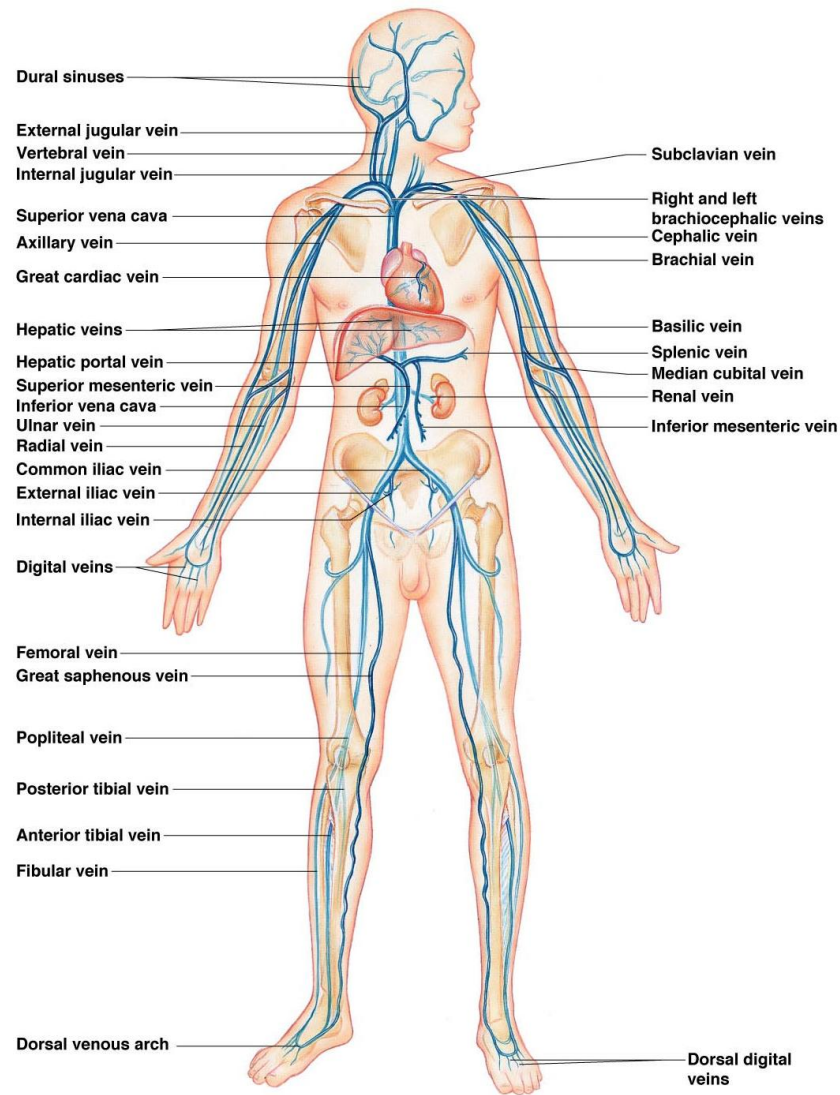


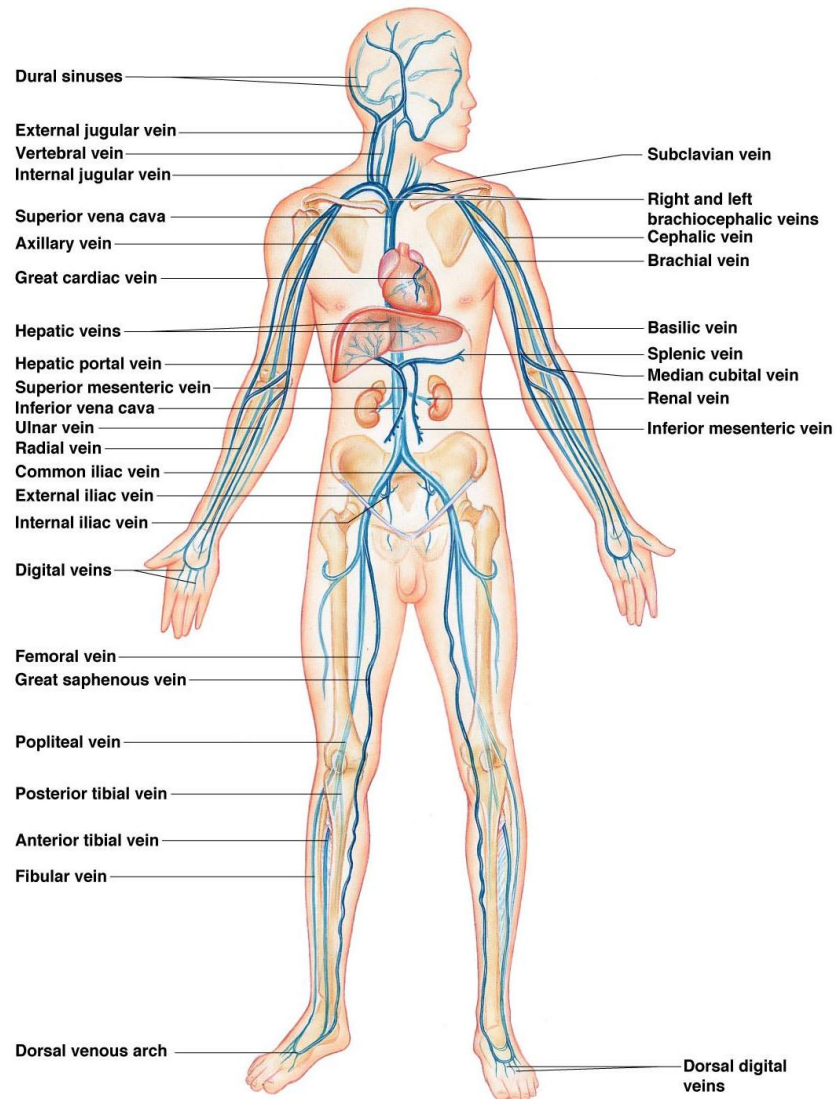
Figure 11.13

Major Veins of Systemic Circulation

- Superior and inferior vena cava enter the right atrium of the heart

- Superior vena cava drains the head and upper extremity

- Inferior vena cava drains the lower body



Major Veins of Systemic Circulation

- **Radial and ulnar veins → brachial vein → axillary vein**
- **Superficial, Cephalic vein drains the lateral aspect of the forearm and arm and empties into the axillary vein**
- **Superficial, Basilic vein drains the medial aspect of the forearm and arm and empties into the brachial vein**
- **Basilic and cephalic veins are joined at the median cubital vein (elbow area), where blood is often drawn**

Major Veins of Systemic Circulation

- Veins draining into the **Brachiocephalic veins**
 - **Subclavian vein receives**
 - Venous blood from the arm via the axillary vein
 - Venous blood from skin and muscles of neck and head via external jugular vein
 - **Internal jugular vein drains the dural sinuses of the brain and also head structures**

Major Veins of Systemic Circulation

- **Veins draining into the superior vena cava**
 - **Left and right brachiocephalic veins receive venous blood from the**
 - **Subclavian veins**
 - **Internal jugular veins**
 - **The 2 brachiocephalic veins join to form the superior vena cava → right atrium of heart**
 - **Azygous vein drains the thorax and empties into the superior vena cava**

Major Veins of Systemic Circulation

- **Veins draining into the inferior vena cava**
 - **Anterior and posterior tibial veins and fibular veins, drain the legs and foot, form popliteal vein**
 - **Popliteal vein → femoral vein → external iliac vein**
 - **Superficial veins: Great saphenous veins (longest veins of the body) & Small saphenous veins receive superficial drainage of the legs**
 - **Each common iliac vein (left and right) is formed by the union of the internal and external iliac vein on its own side**

Major Veins of Systemic Circulation

- **Veins draining into the inferior vena cava**
 - **Right and left common iliac veins form the inferior vena cava**
 - **Right gonadal vein drains the right ovary in females and right testicle in males, empties into inferior vena cava**
 - **Left gonadal vein empties into the left renal vein**
 - **Left and right renal veins drain the kidneys**

Major Veins of Systemic Circulation

- Veins draining into the inferior vena cava
 - Left and right hepatic veins drain the liver

Major Veins of Systemic Circulation

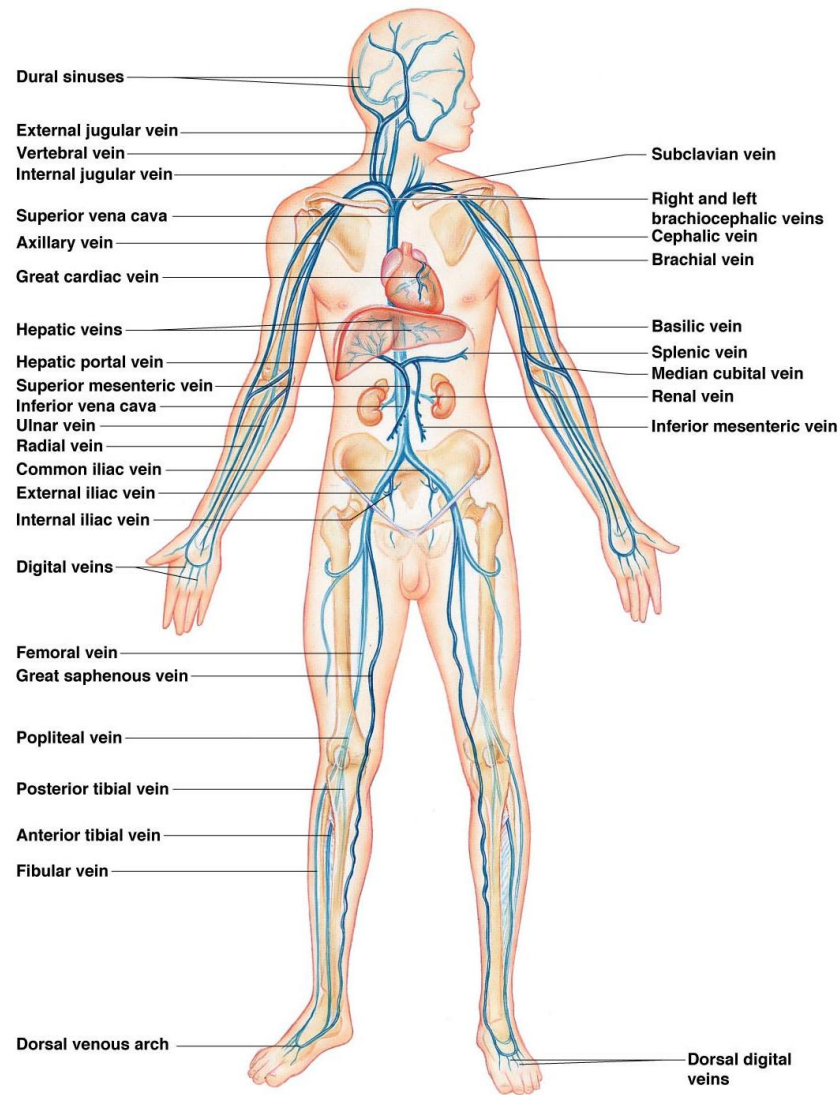


Figure 11.13

Hepatic Portal Circulation

- **Veins of hepatic portal circulation drain**
 - **Digestive organs**
 - **Spleen**
 - **Pancreas**
- **Hepatic portal vein carries this blood to the liver**
- **Hepatic portal vein drains the digestive organs and travels through the liver before it enters systemic circulation**
- **Liver helps maintain proper glucose, fat, and protein concentrations in blood**

Hepatic Portal Circulation

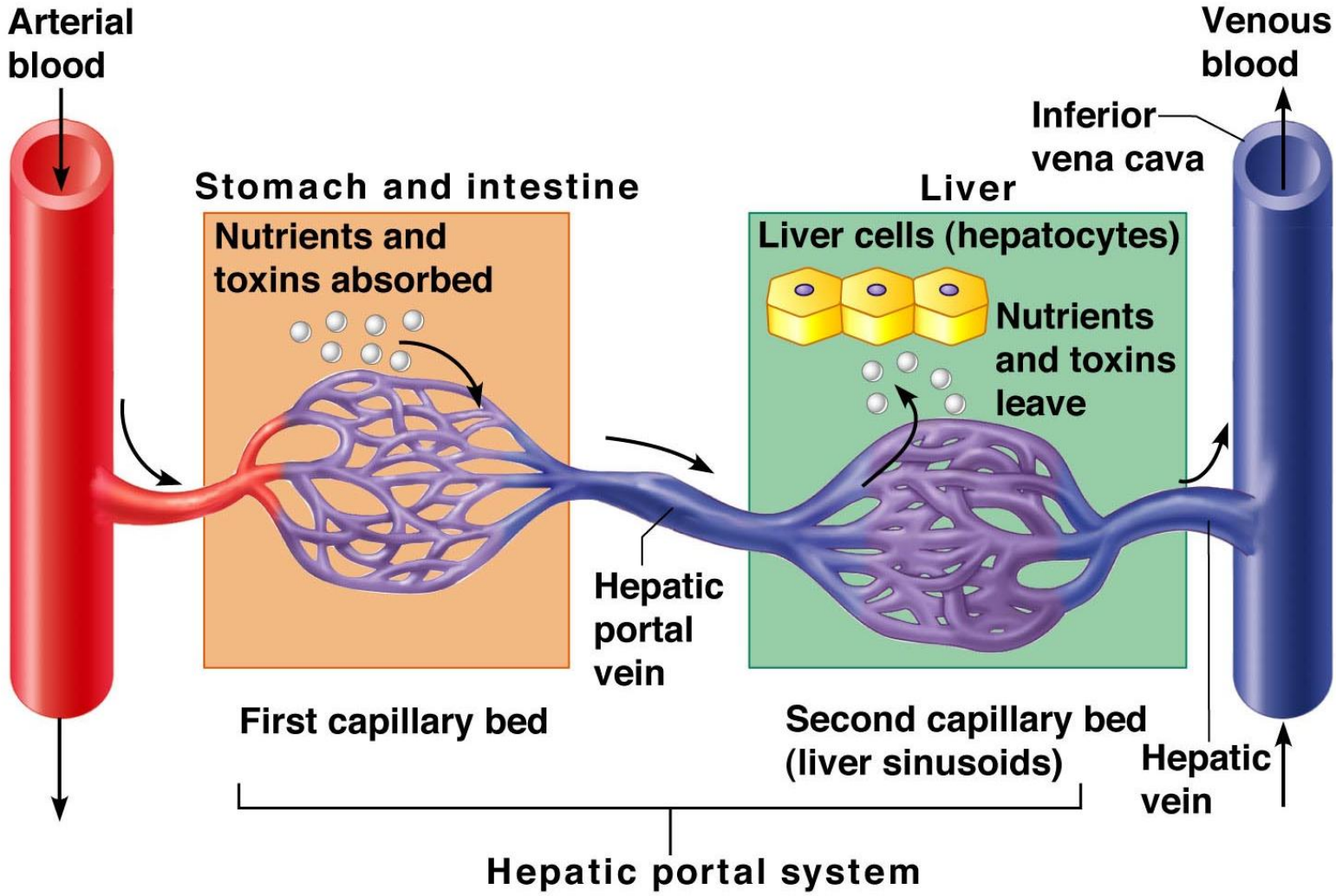
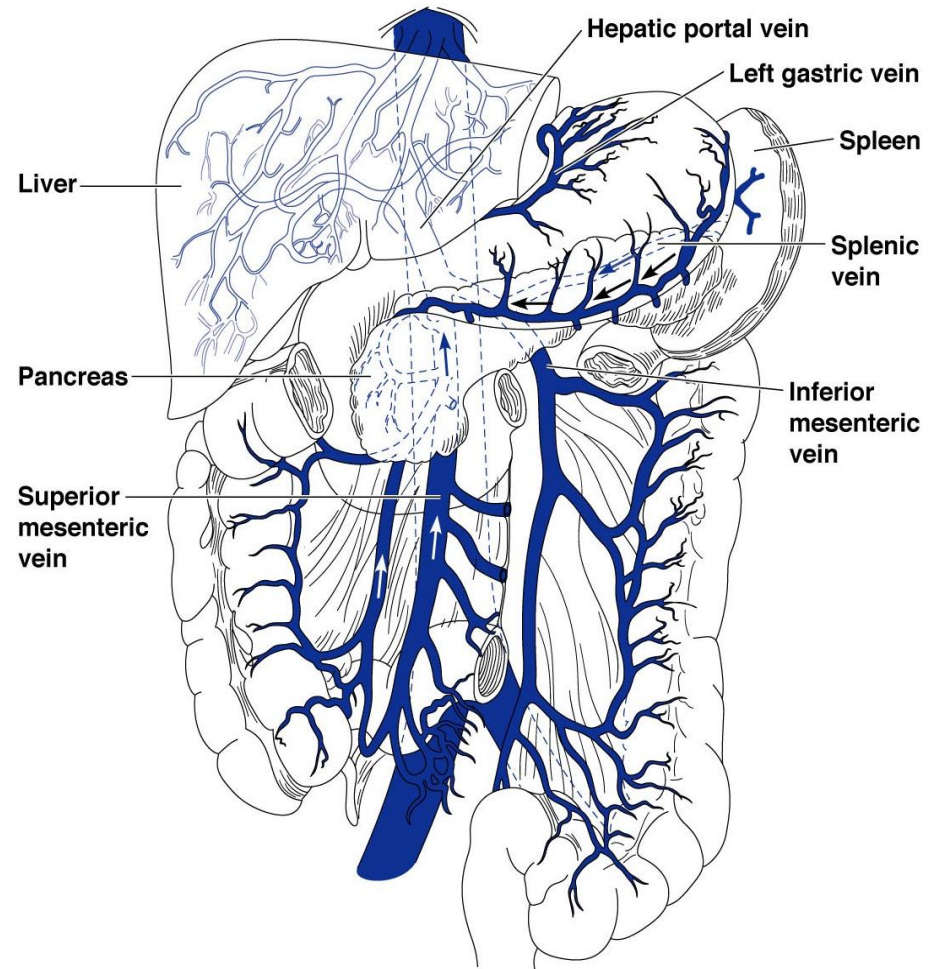


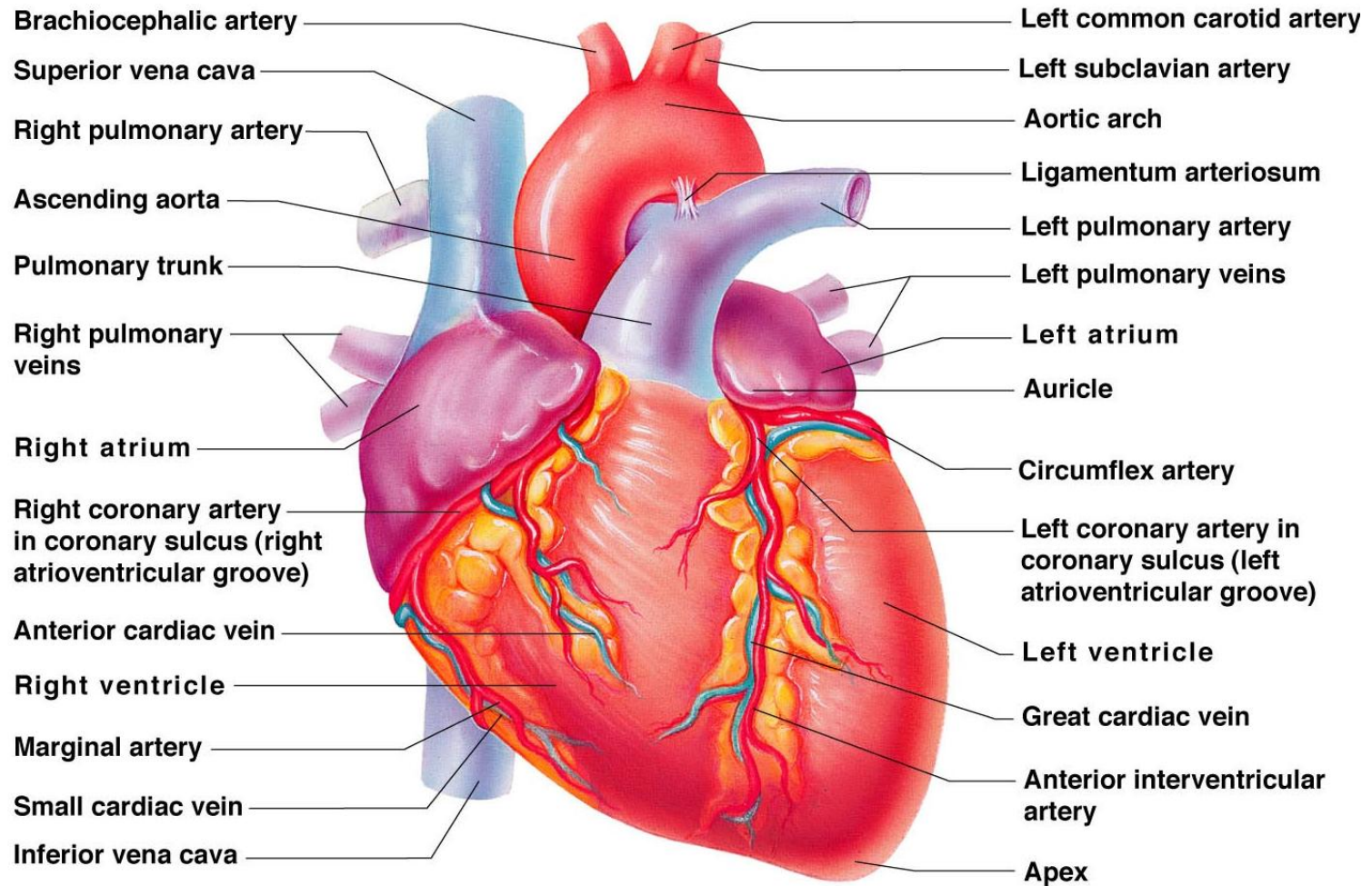
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Hepatic Portal Circulation

- Major vessels of hepatic portal circulation
 - Inferior and superior mesenteric veins
 - Splenic vein
 - Left gastric vein



The Heart



(a) Anterior surface view.

Figure 11.2a

The Heart: Cardiac Cycle

- **Atria contract simultaneously**
- **Atria relax, then ventricles contract simultaneously**
- **Systole = contraction**
- **Diastole = relaxation**

Filling Heart Chambers: Cardiac Cycle

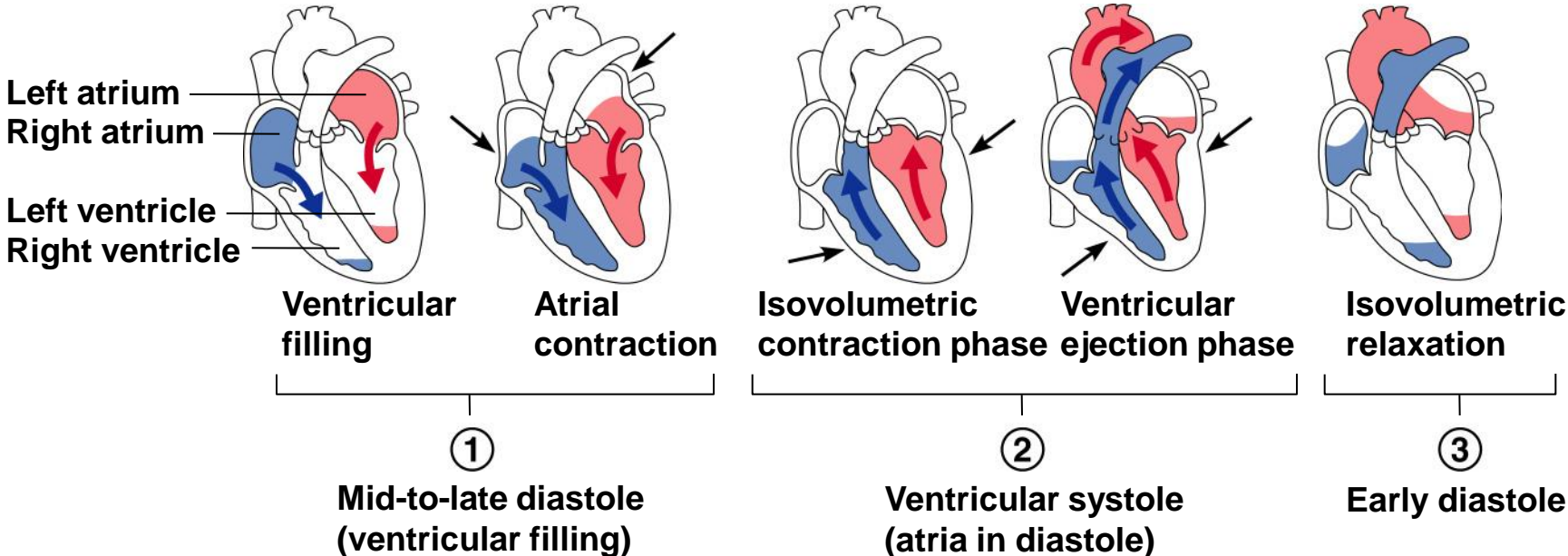


Figure 11.7, step 3

The Heart: Cardiac Output

- **Cardiac output (CO)**
 - Amount of blood pumped by each side (ventricle) of the heart in one minute
- **Stroke volume (SV)**
 - Volume of blood pumped by each ventricle in one contraction (each heartbeat)
 - Usually remains relatively constant
 - About 70 mL of blood is pumped out of the left ventricle with each heartbeat
- **Heart rate (HR)**
 - Typically 75 beats per minute

The Heart: Cardiac Output

- $CO = HR \times SV$
- $CO = HR (75 \text{ beats/min}) \times SV (70 \text{ mL/beat})$
- $CO = 5250 \text{ mL/min}$
- Starling's law of the heart—the more the cardiac muscle is stretched, the stronger the contraction

- How can the CO be increased? (hint: 2 ways)

The Heart: Regulation of Heart Rate

- **Increased heart rate**
 - **Sympathetic nervous system**
 - **Crisis**
 - **Low blood pressure**
 - **Hormones**
 - **Epinephrine**
 - **Thyroxine**
 - **Exercise**
 - **Decreased blood volume**

The Heart: Regulation of Heart Rate

- **Decreased heart rate**
 - **Parasympathetic nervous system**
 - **High blood pressure or blood volume**
 - **Decreased venous return**

Blood Vessels: The Vascular System

- **Transport blood to the tissues and back**
 - **Carry blood away from the heart**
 - **Arteries**
 - **Arterioles**
 - **Exchanges between tissues and blood**
 - **Capillary beds**
 - **Return blood toward the heart**
 - **Venules**
 - **Veins**

Blood Vessels: Microscopic Anatomy

- **Three layers (tunics)**
 - **Tunic intima**
 - **Endothelium**
 - **Tunic media**
 - **Smooth muscle**
 - **Controlled by sympathetic nervous system**
 - **Tunic externa**
 - **Mostly fibrous connective tissue**

Pulse

- **Pulse**
 - **Pressure wave of blood**
- **Monitored at “pressure points” in arteries where pulse is easily palpated**
- **Pulse averages 70–76 beats per minute at rest**

Blood Pressure

- **Measurements by health professionals are made on the pressure in large arteries**
 - **Systolic—pressure at the peak of ventricular contraction**
 - **Diastolic—pressure when ventricles relax**
 - **Write systolic pressure first and diastolic last (120/80 mm Hg)**
- **Pressure in blood vessels decreases as distance from the heart increases**

Comparison of Blood Pressures in Different Vessels

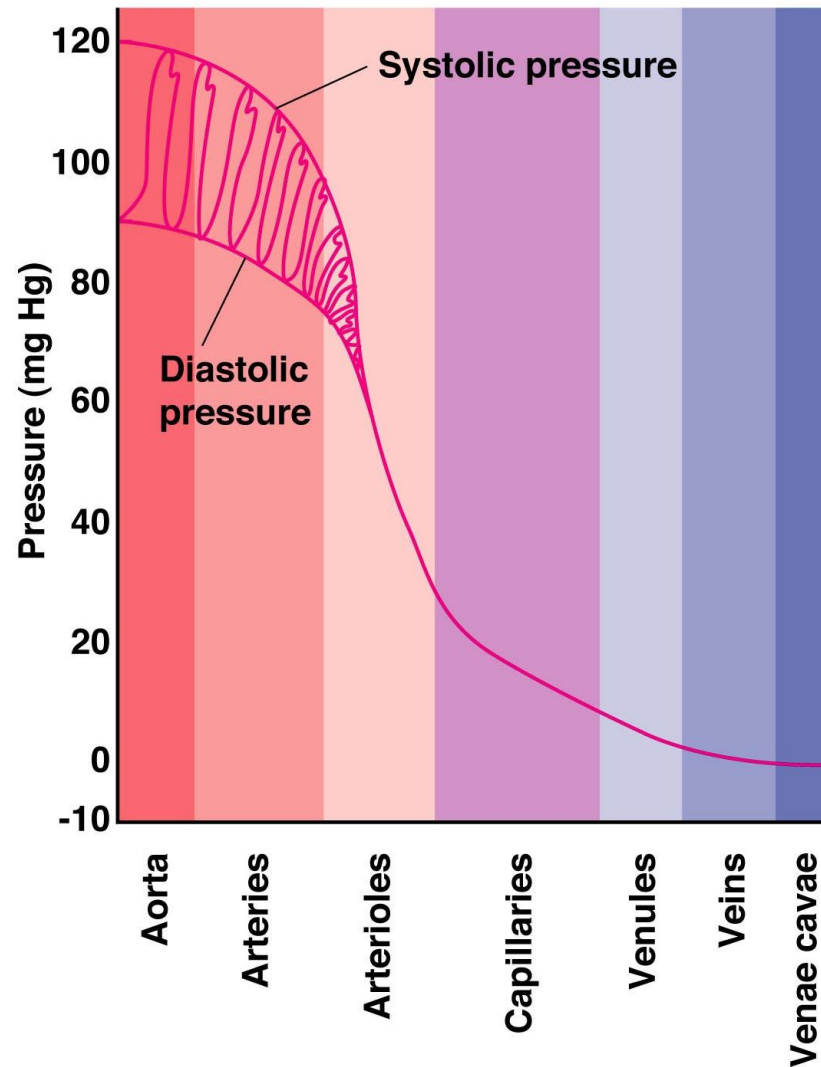


Figure 11.19

Blood Pressure: Effects of Factors

- **BP is blood pressure**
 - **BP is affected by age, weight, time of day, exercise, body position, emotional state**
- **CO is the amount of blood pumped out of the left ventricle per minute**
- **PR is peripheral resistance, or the amount of friction blood encounters as it flows through vessels**
 - **Narrowing of blood vessels and increased blood volume increases PR**
- **$BP = CO \times PR$**

Blood Pressure: Effects of Factors

- **Neural factors**
 - **Autonomic nervous system adjustments (sympathetic division)**
- **Renal factors**
 - **Regulation by altering blood volume**
 - **Renin/angiotension/aldosterone—hormonal control**

Blood Pressure: Effects of Factors

- **Temperature**
 - **Heat has a vasodilating effect**
 - **Cold has a vasoconstricting effect**
- **Chemicals**
 - **Various substances can cause increases or decreases**
- **Diet**

Factors Determining Blood Pressure

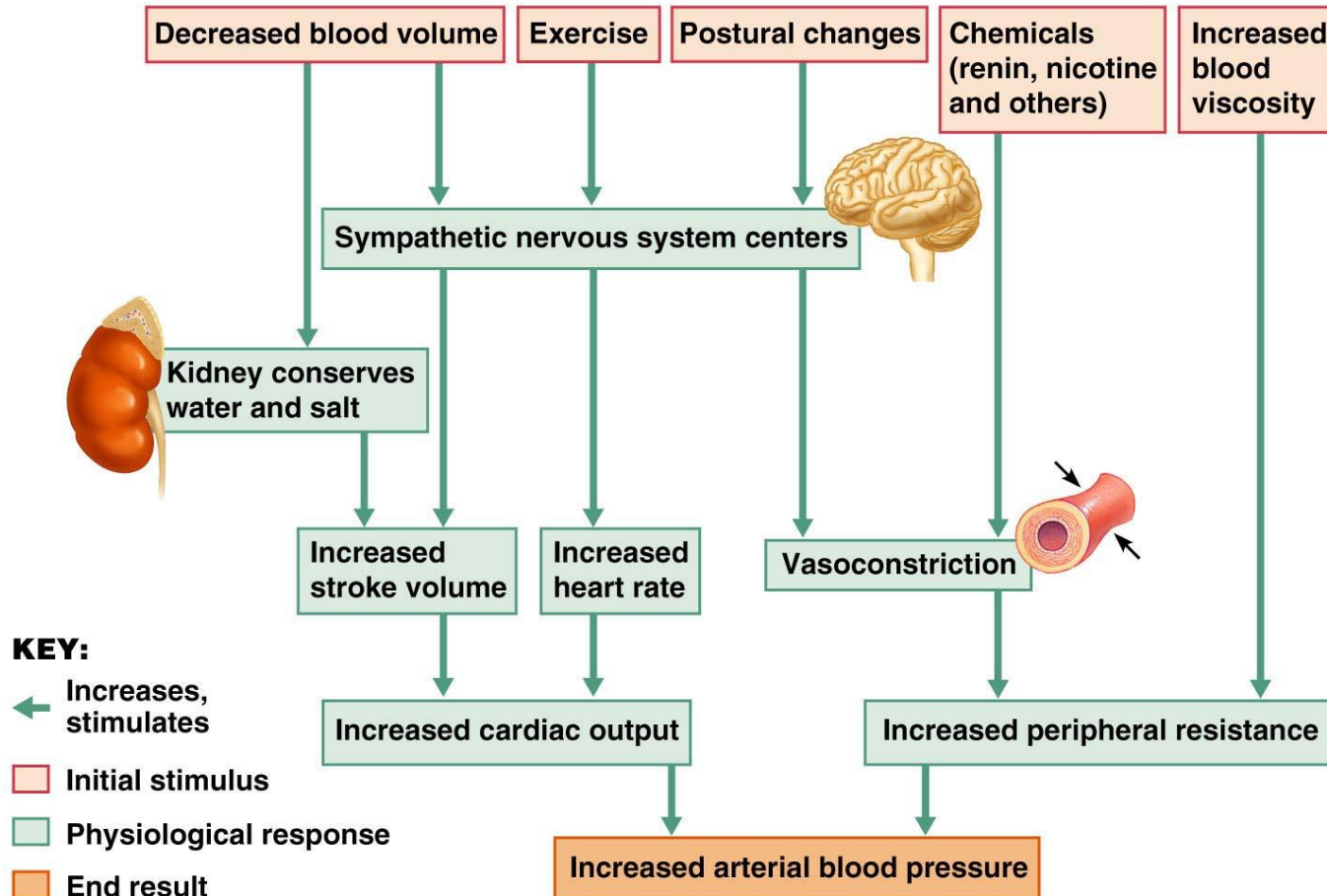


Figure 11.21

Variations in Blood Pressure

- **Normal human range is variable**
 - **Normal**
 - **140–110 mm Hg systolic**
 - **80–75 mm Hg diastolic**
 - **Hypotension**
 - **Low systolic (below 110 mm HG)**
 - **Often associated with illness**
 - **Hypertension**
 - **High systolic (above 140 mm HG)**
 - **Can be dangerous if it is chronic**

Developmental Aspects of the Cardiovascular System

- **Aging problems associated with the cardiovascular system include**
 - **Venous valves weaken**
 - **Varicose veins**
 - **Progressive atherosclerosis**
 - **Loss of elasticity of vessels leads to hypertension**
 - **Coronary artery disease results from vessels filled with fatty, calcified deposits**

Major Veins of Systemic Circulation

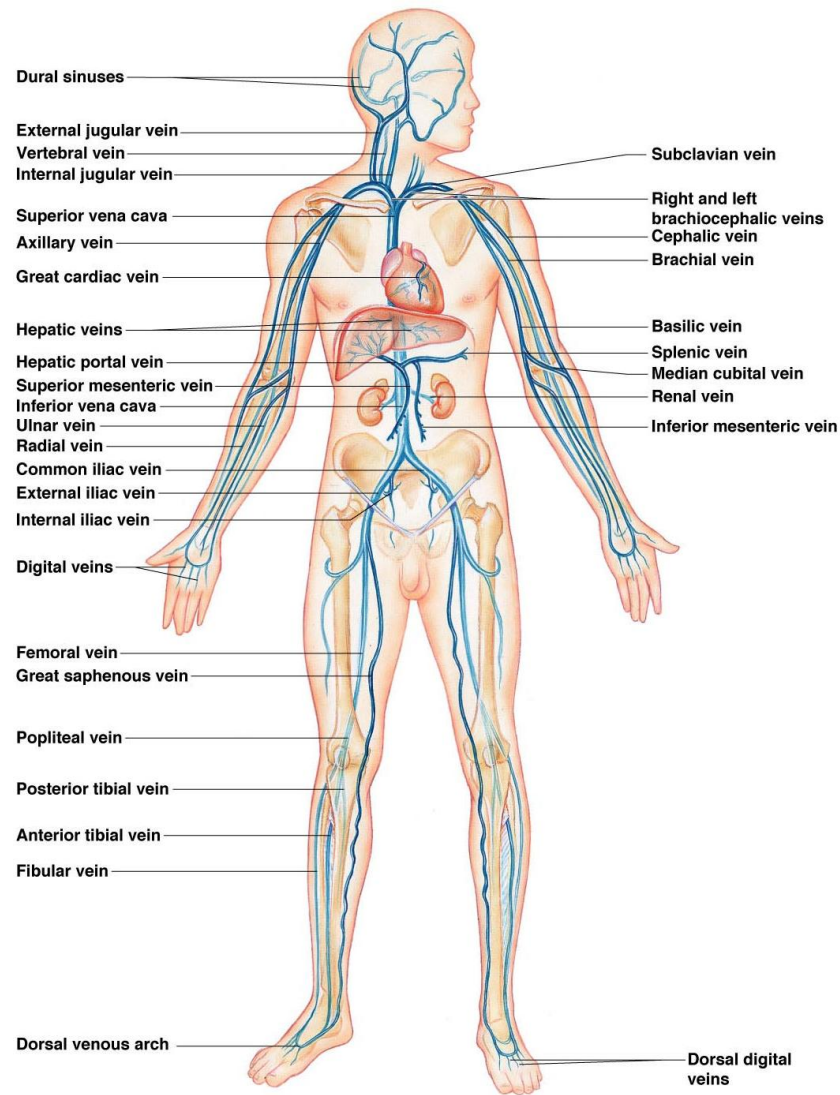


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