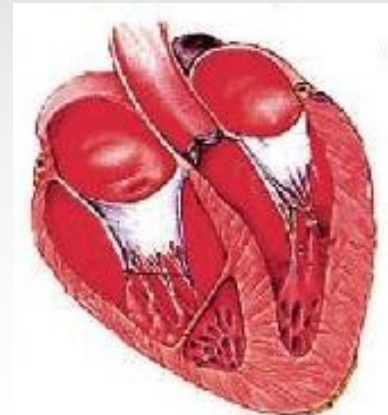


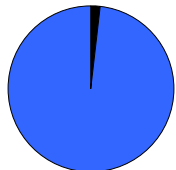
# CONGENITAL AND ACQUIRED VALVULAR HEART DISORDERS

Dr. Pavel Maruna

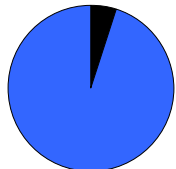


# Valvular heart disease

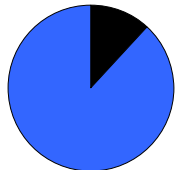
**Prevalence of moderate or severe valvular disorder**



**2 % ...in total population**



**4 - 5% ... above 65 yr.**

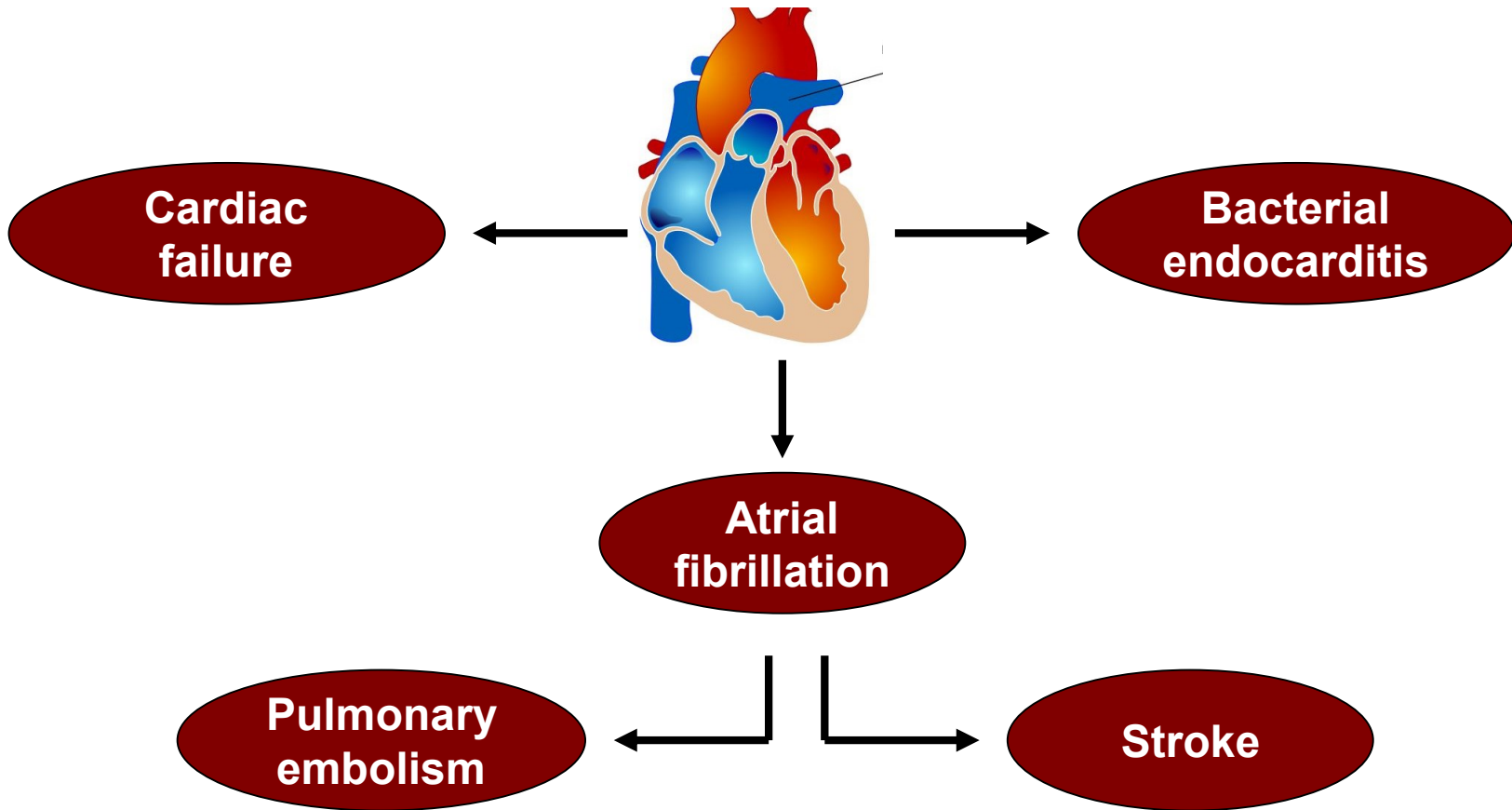


**12% ... above 75 yr.**

**Occurrence of valvular disorder → 1,5x risk of death**

# Valvular heart disease

Health risk



15x

## How to diagnose valvular disease?



**Physical examination**

**murmur**

**Usually years  
before first  
clinical  
manifestation**



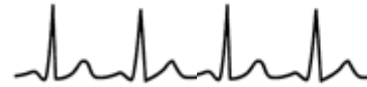
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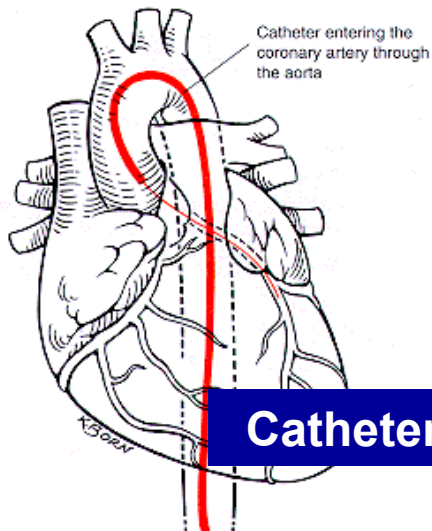
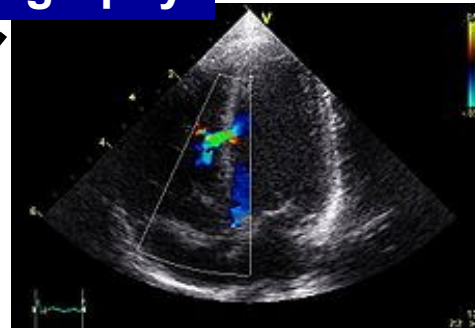


**ECG**



**X-Ray**

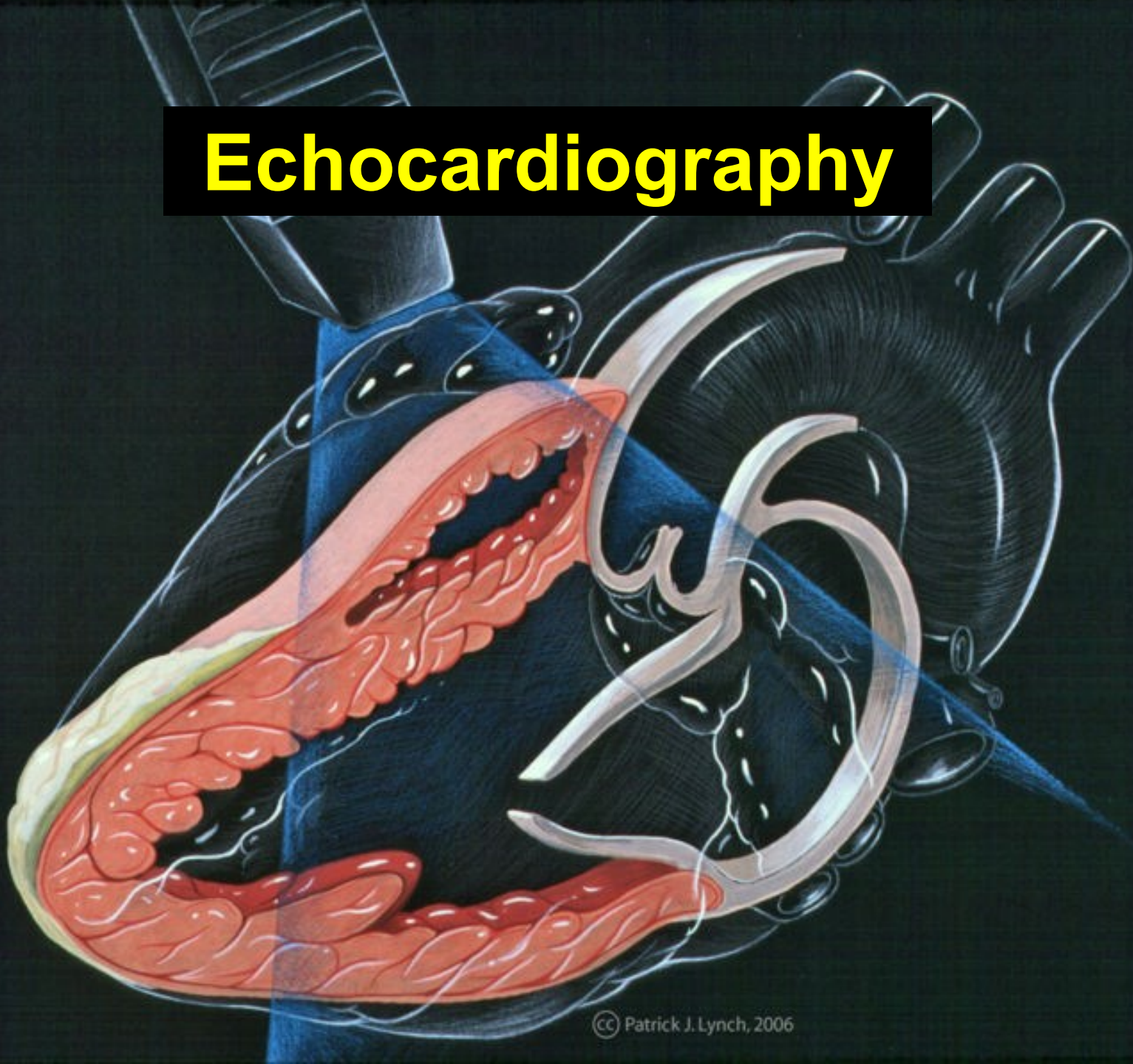
**Echocardiography**



**Catheterization**



# Echocardiography

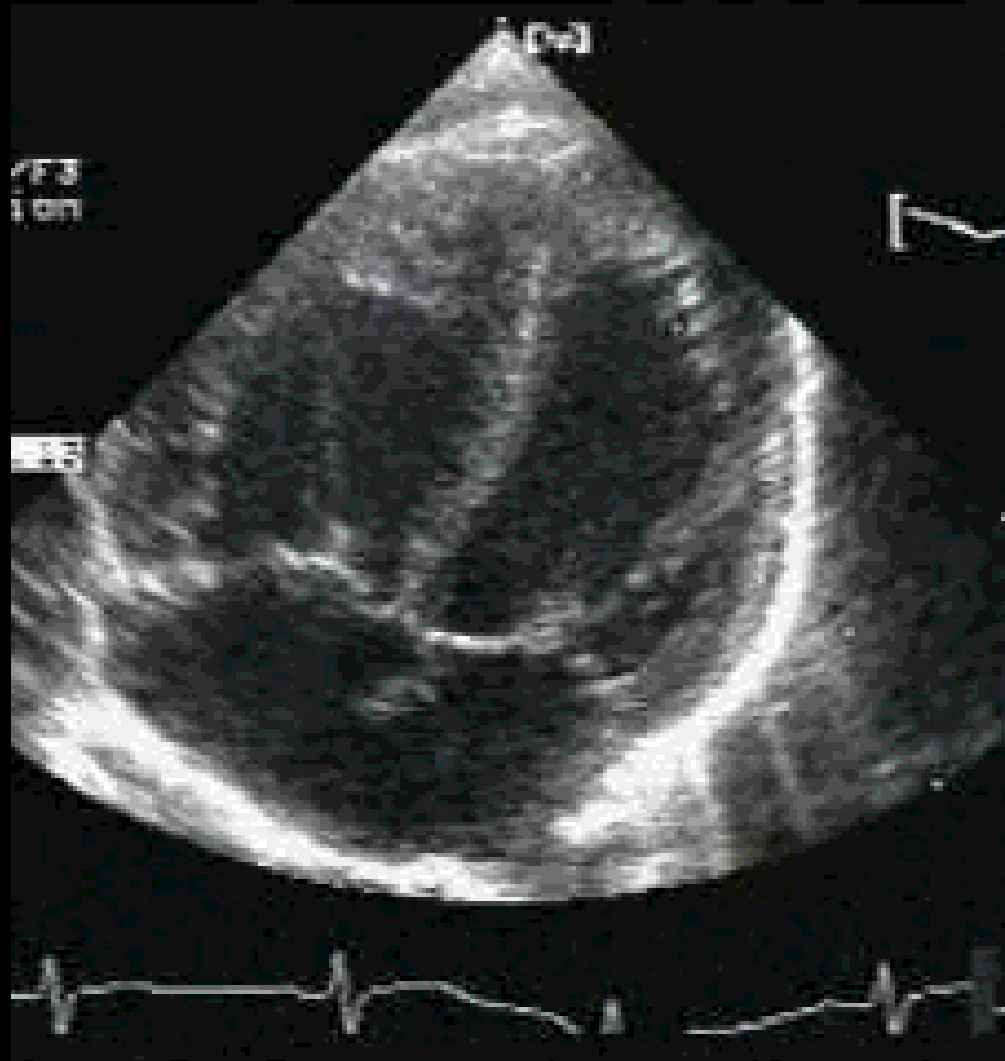


# Echocardiography

2D image

1D (Doppler)

2D + color Doppler



# Echocardiography

2D image

1D (Doppler)

2D + color Doppler



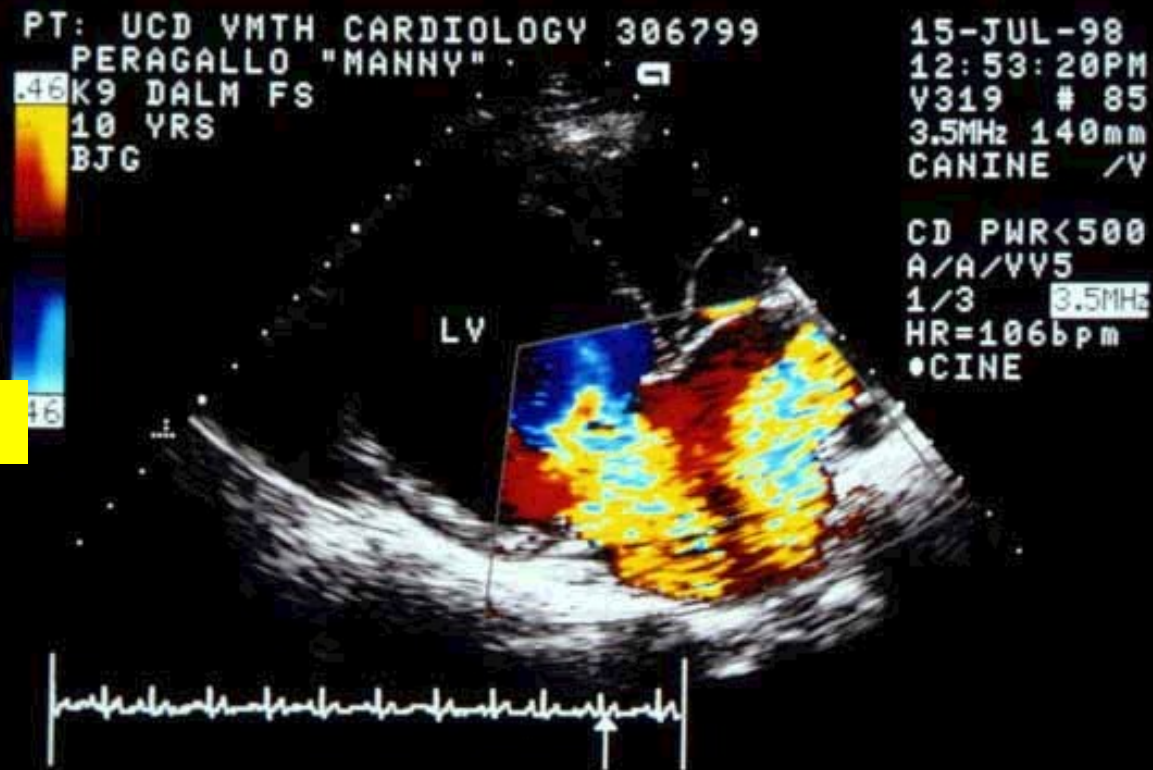


# Echocardiography

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1D (Doppler)

2D + color Doppler



# Catheterization

Invasive measurement (not only) of BP

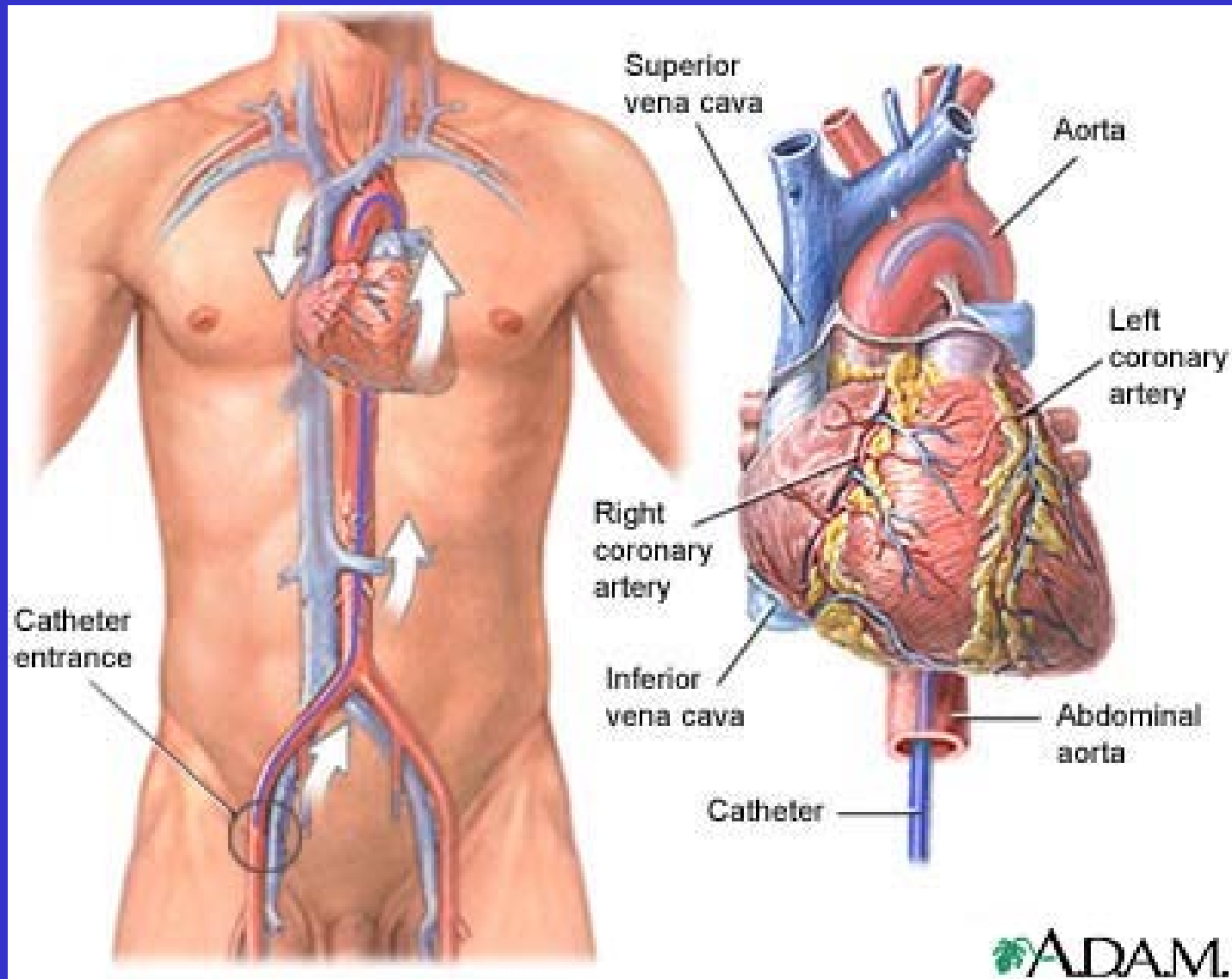
a. femor. – aorta – LV

v. femor. – v. cava inf. – RV

- pressure measurements in separate heart cavities
  - wedge pressure – end-diastolic pressure
- pressure gradients
  - cardiac output
- blood for oxygen saturation
  - injection of contrast dyes for angiography
  - biopsy

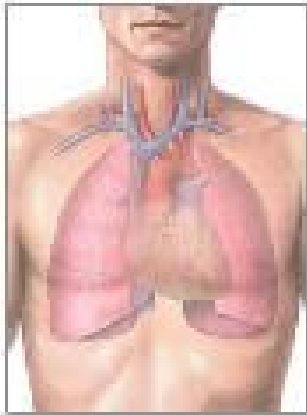
# Catheterization

Left heart catheterization (A. femoralis – aorta)

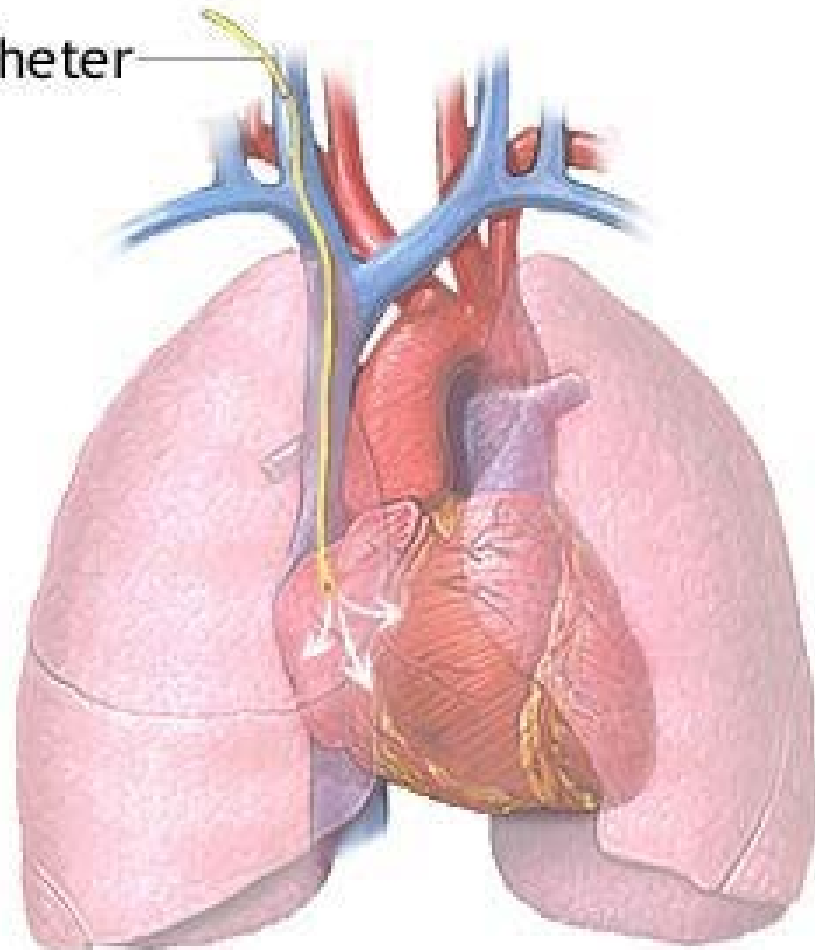


# Catheterization

Right heart catheterization (V. femoralis - V. cava – RA – LV – A. pulmonaris)



Catheter

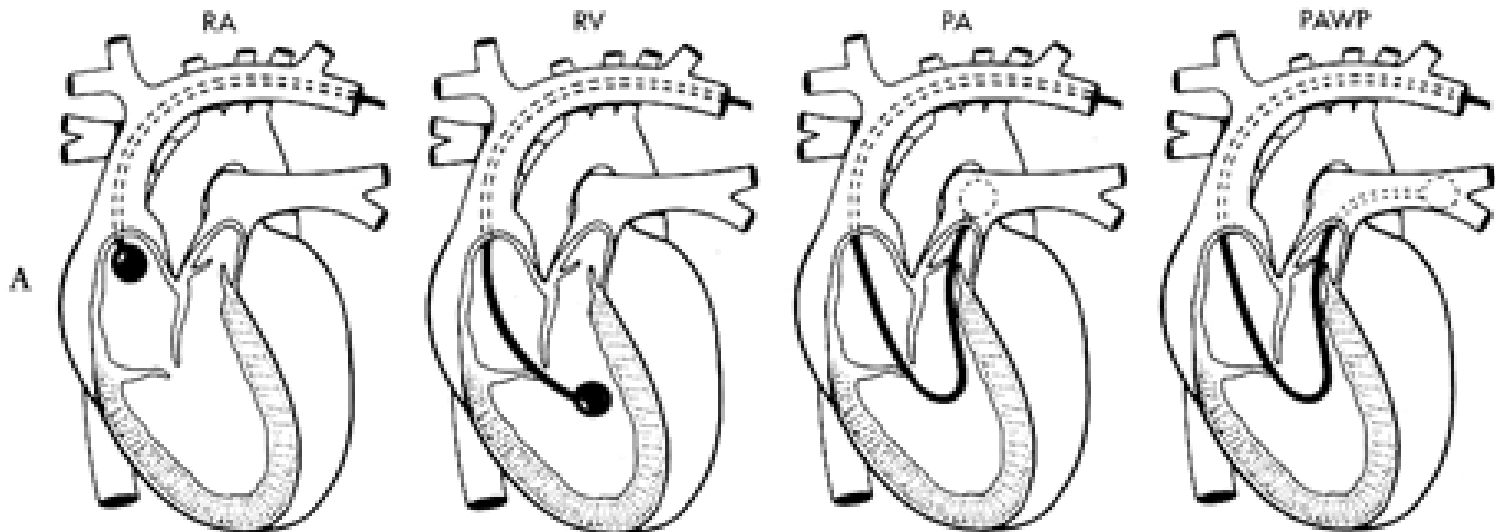


After catheter is threaded to heart dye is injected

# Heart catheterization

## Swan-Ganz catheter position in the heart

- Right atrium (RA)
- Right ventricle (RV)
- Pulmonary artery (PA)
- Pulmonary artery wedge pressure (PAWP)



# Brief historical overview

16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>  
century

First attempts of cardiac surgery were associated with high mortality...



Human sacrifice with heart extraction  
in Aztec culture

# Brief historical overview

1895



## The **first cardiac surgery**

Norwegian surgeon Axel Severin Capellen,  
Kristiania (now Oslo).

Ligation of bleeding coronary artery in a 24 yr. old  
man in a deep shock.

Patient died after 24 hours

# Brief historical overview

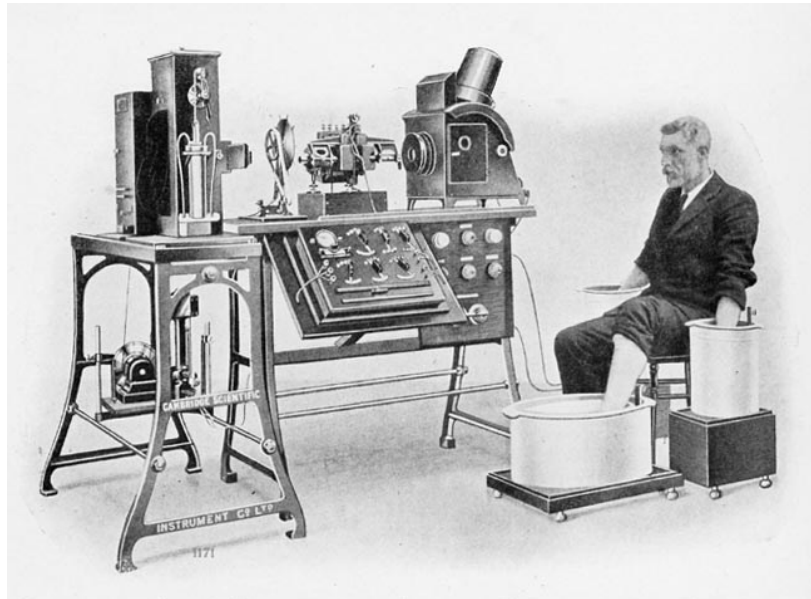
1895



## Electrocardiography

Willem Einthoven

The first accurate ECC recording  
(including names for P, Q, R, S and T waves)





# Brief historical overview

1896



The first **successful heart surgery**.  
Dr. Ludwig Rehn, Frankfurt, Germany,  
who repaired a wound to the right ventricle

# Brief historical overview

1925 The first **surgery of valvular disease**.



Dr. Henry Souttar operated successfully on a young woman with mitral stenosis.

He cut left atrium and inserted a finger into this chamber ... to palpate and explore the damaged mitral valve.

The patient survived for several years



# Brief historical overview



1929

The first **heart catheterization**  
German physician Werner Forssmann.



A plastic tube was inserted in cubital vein  
and guided to the right heart ventricle ...  
under x-ray control.

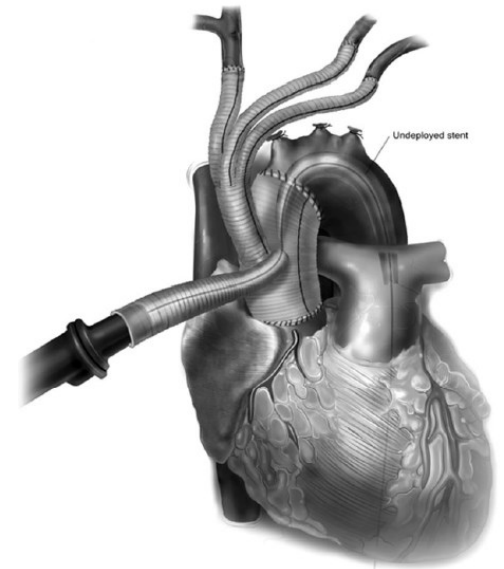
Since the late 1970s, heart catheterization  
has been extended to diagnostic and  
therapeutic uses  
... as a less invasive treatment of valvular  
diseases and ischemic heart diseases

# Brief historical overview



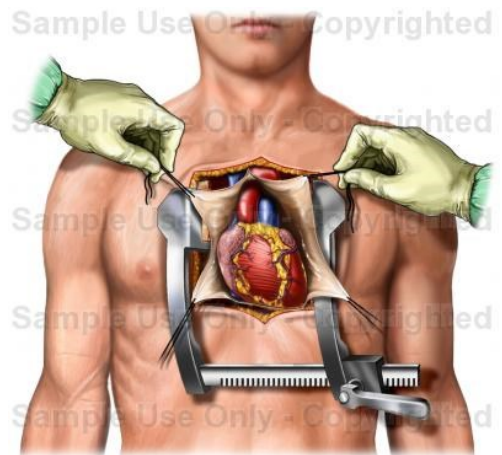
**Dr. Wilfred Gordon Bigelow,  
University of Toronto, Canada**

**During the surgery, the heart is exposed and the patient's blood is sent to **cardiopulmonary bypass**.**



1952 The first **surgery on open heart**

The method allows to repair intracardial abnormalities including valvular diseases



# Brief historical overview

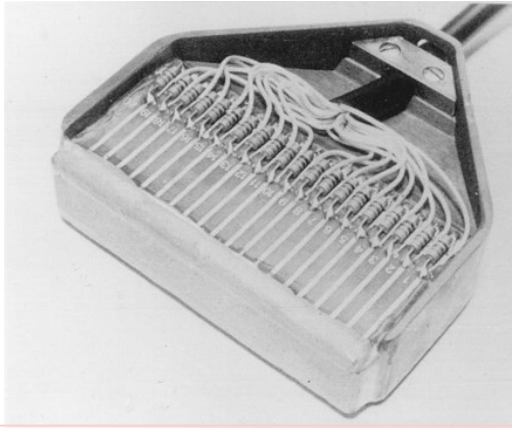


1952

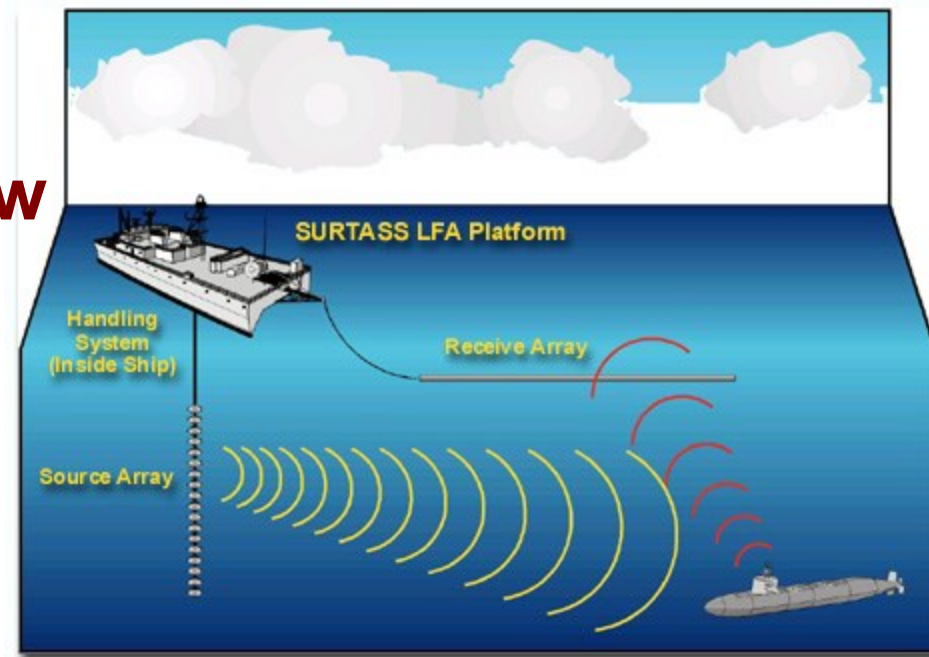
The first cardiac surgery of congenital heart defect **in a deep hypothermia**

Dr. C. Walton Lillehei and Dr. F. John Lewis  
University of Minnesota, USA

# Brief historical overview



„Phonograph“ – ultrasonography in 50s years

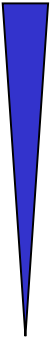


Sonar in WW2  
– predecessor of diagnostic  
ultrasonography

- 1957 **Echocardiography** in cardiological diagnostics  
J. J. Wild and H. D. Crawford, USA

# Pathogenesis of valvular disorders

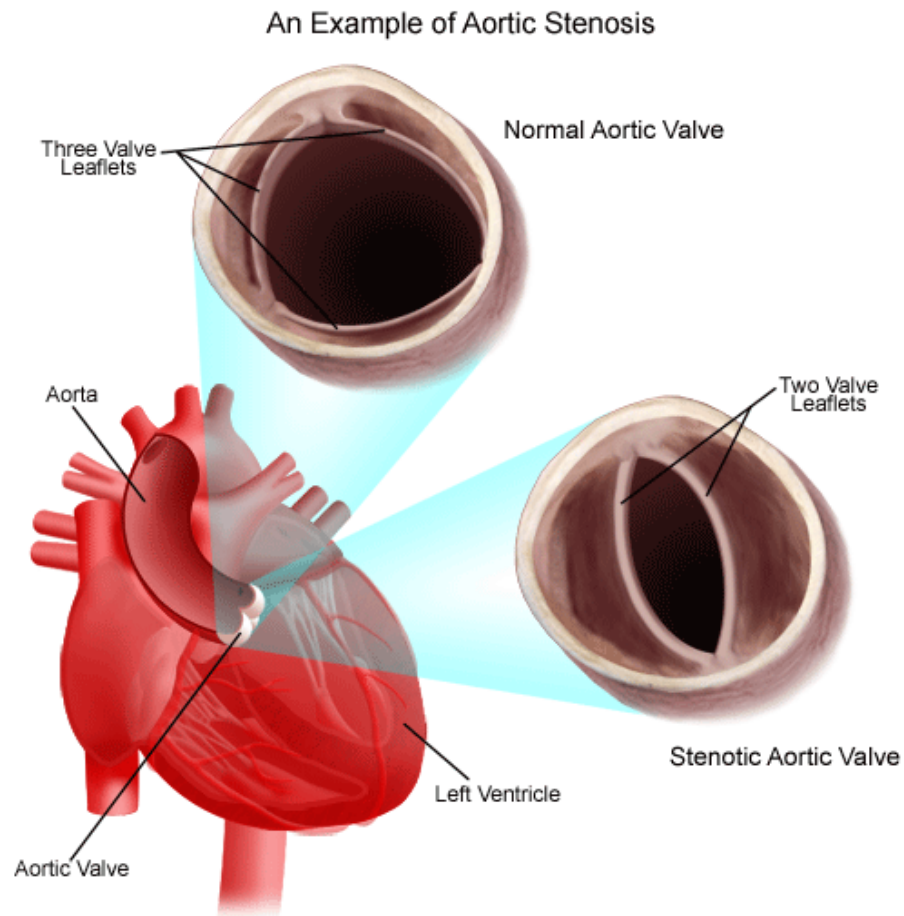
## Etiology:

- 
- **rheumatism**
  - **infectious endocarditis**
  - **ischemic heart disease**
  - **pox**
  - **valvular degeneration**

...

# Pathogenesis of valvular disorders

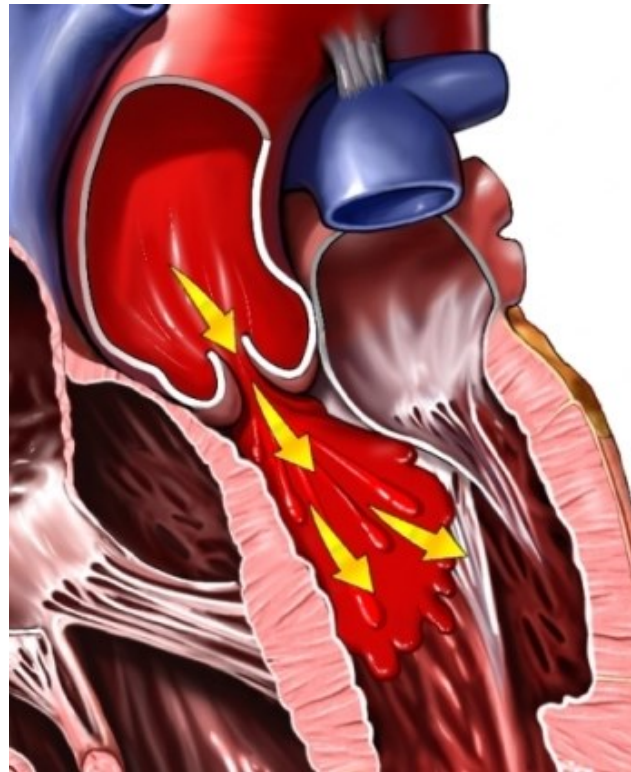
**Stenosis = impaired opening of a valve**





# Pathogenesis of valvular disorders

**Insufficiency = impaired closure of a valve, allowing (hemodynamically important) back blood flow**



# Pathogenesis of valvular disorders

## Course

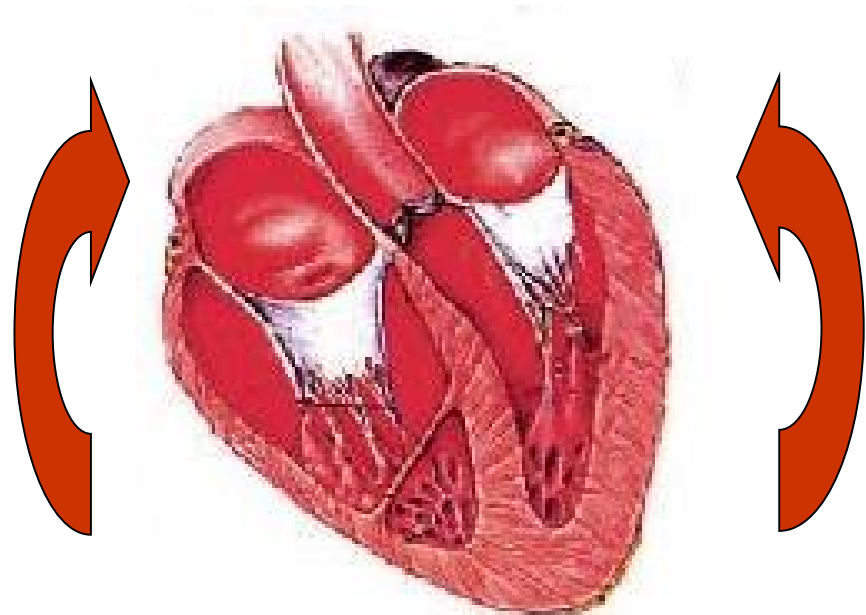
Long latent development (often 10x years)

Terminal heart failure

## Hemodynamic impact

„Retrograde“ progression influencing a pulmonary circulation and a right heart

„Tricuspidalisation“



Venous tone  
Breathing  
Muscle „pump“

Venous return

Preload

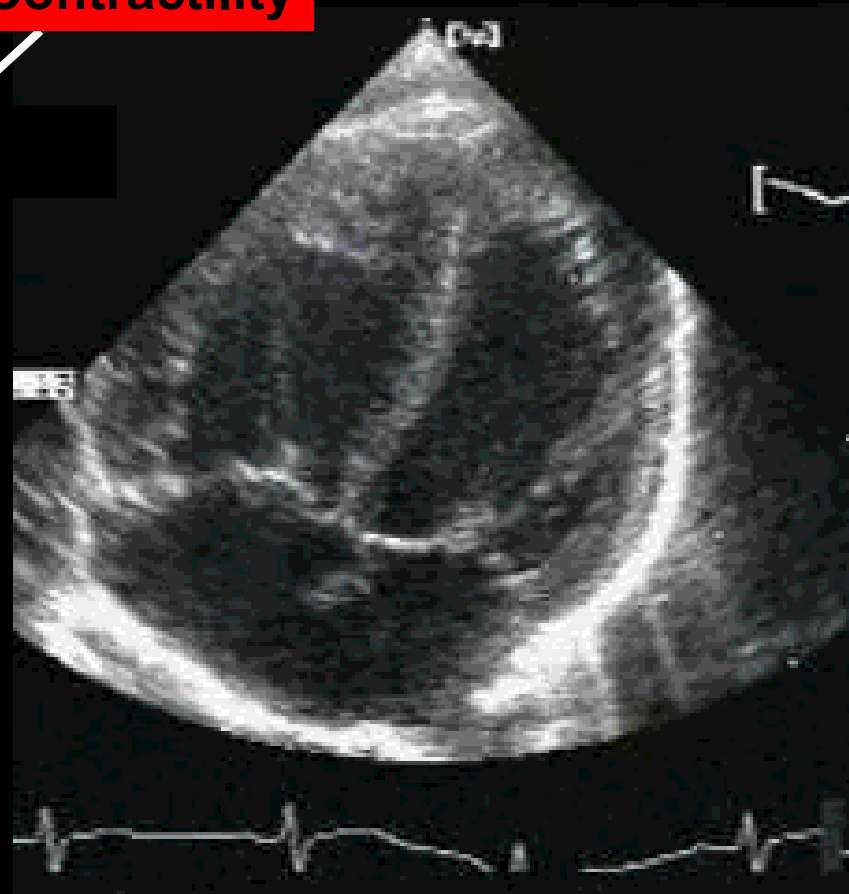
Catecholamines  
Ischemia,  
inflammation  
Cardiotonic drugs

Contractility

Stroke volume

Afterload

Peripheral resistance



Venous tone  
Breathing  
Muscle „pump“

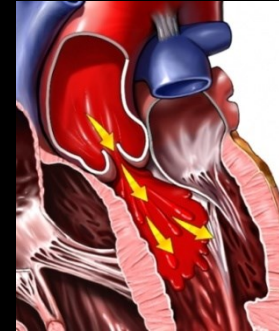
Venous return

**Preload**

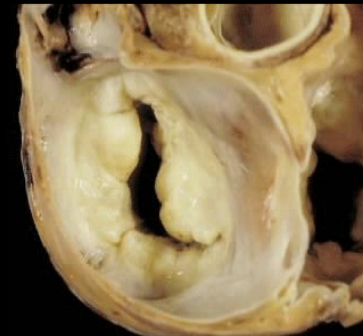
**Stroke volume**

**Afterload**

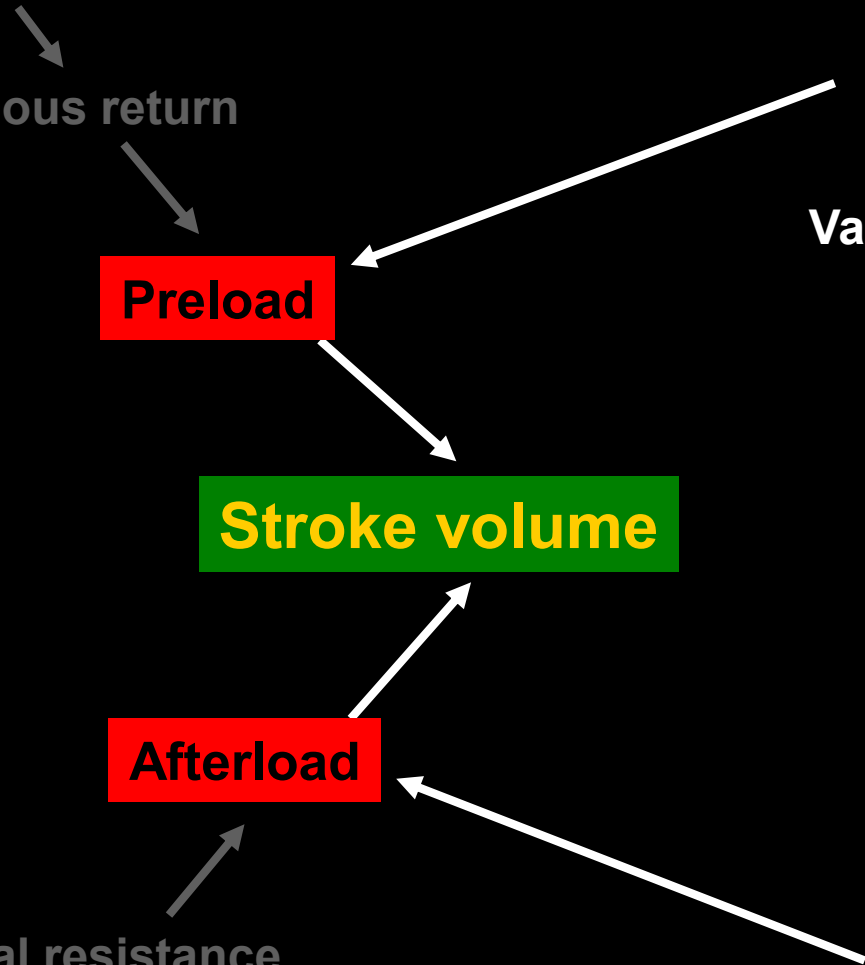
Peripheral resistance



**Valvular insufficiency**



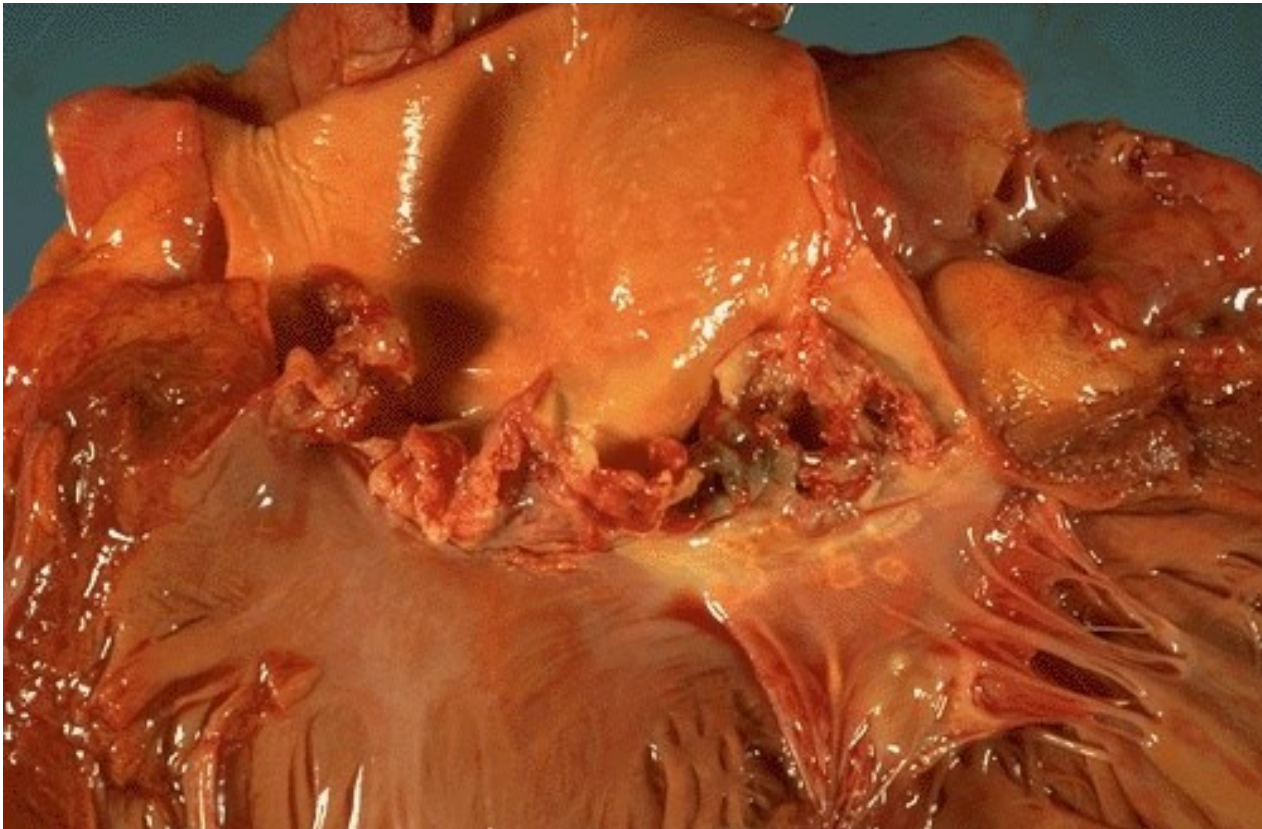
**Valvular stenosis**



# Pathogenesis of valvular disorders

## Other complications

### Bacterial endocarditis (endocarditis maligna lenta)



# Pathogenesis of valvular disorders

## Other complications

Bacterial endocarditis

**Arrhythmia (atrial fibrillation)**



**Atrial activity =  
irregular *f* waves**

**Completely irregular  
transmission to  
ventricle**

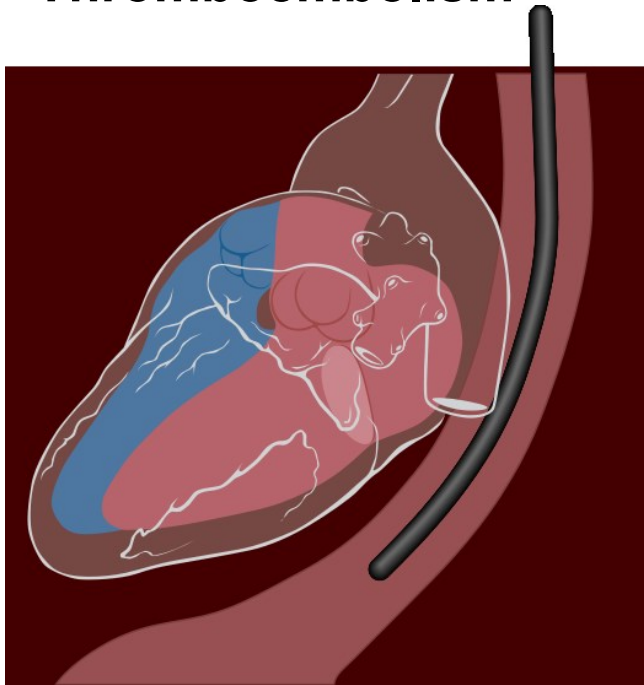
# Pathogenesis of valvular disorders

## Other complications

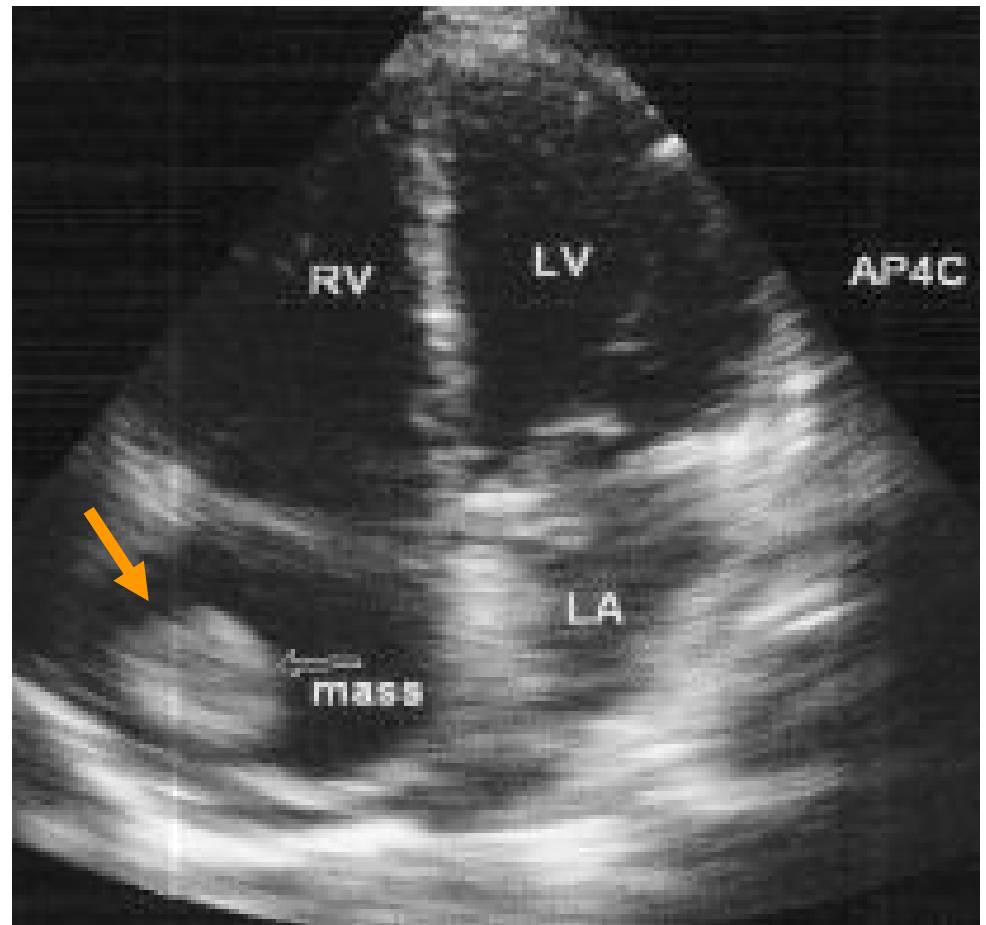
Bacterial endocarditis

Arrhythmia

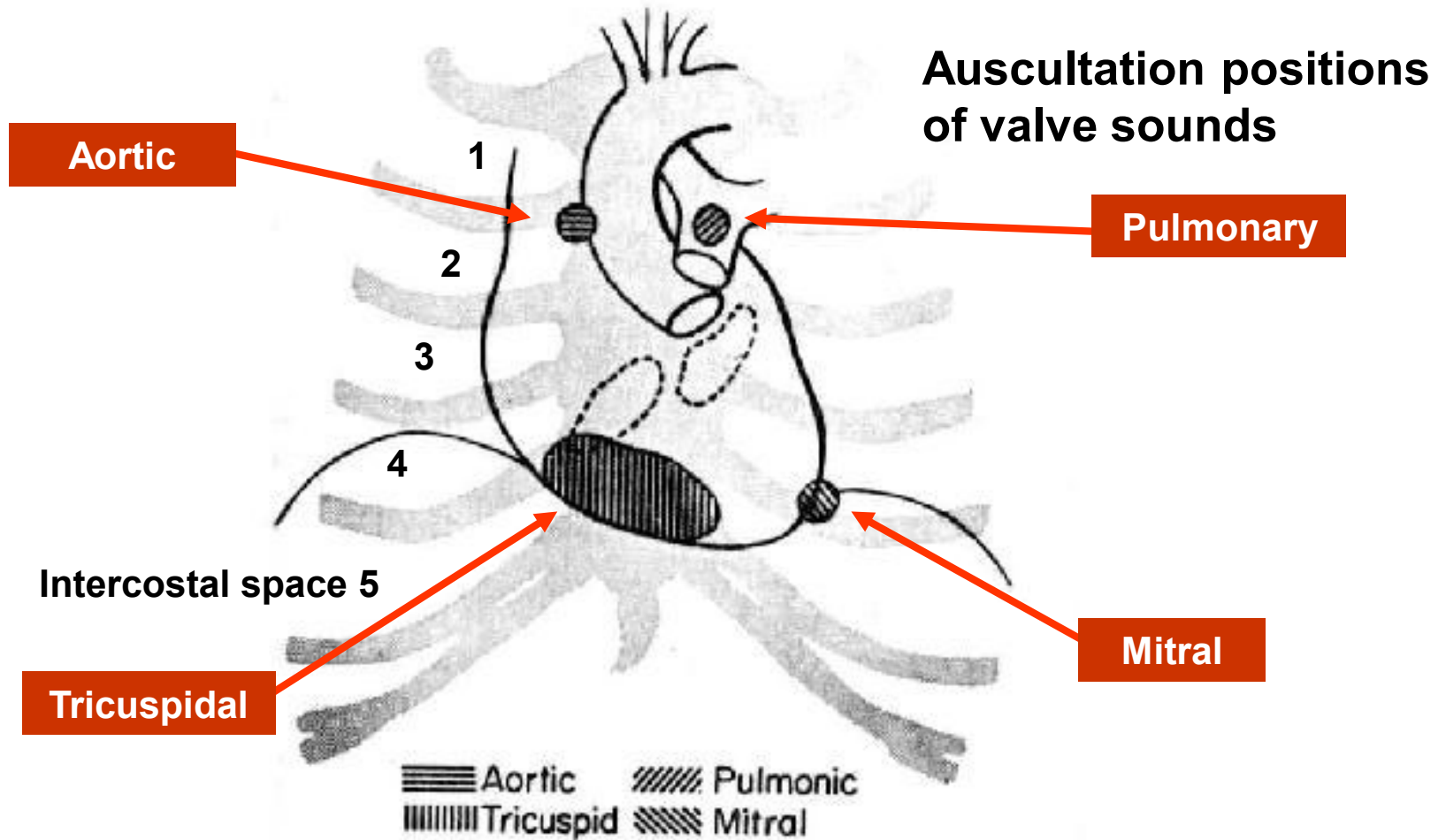
**Thromboembolism**



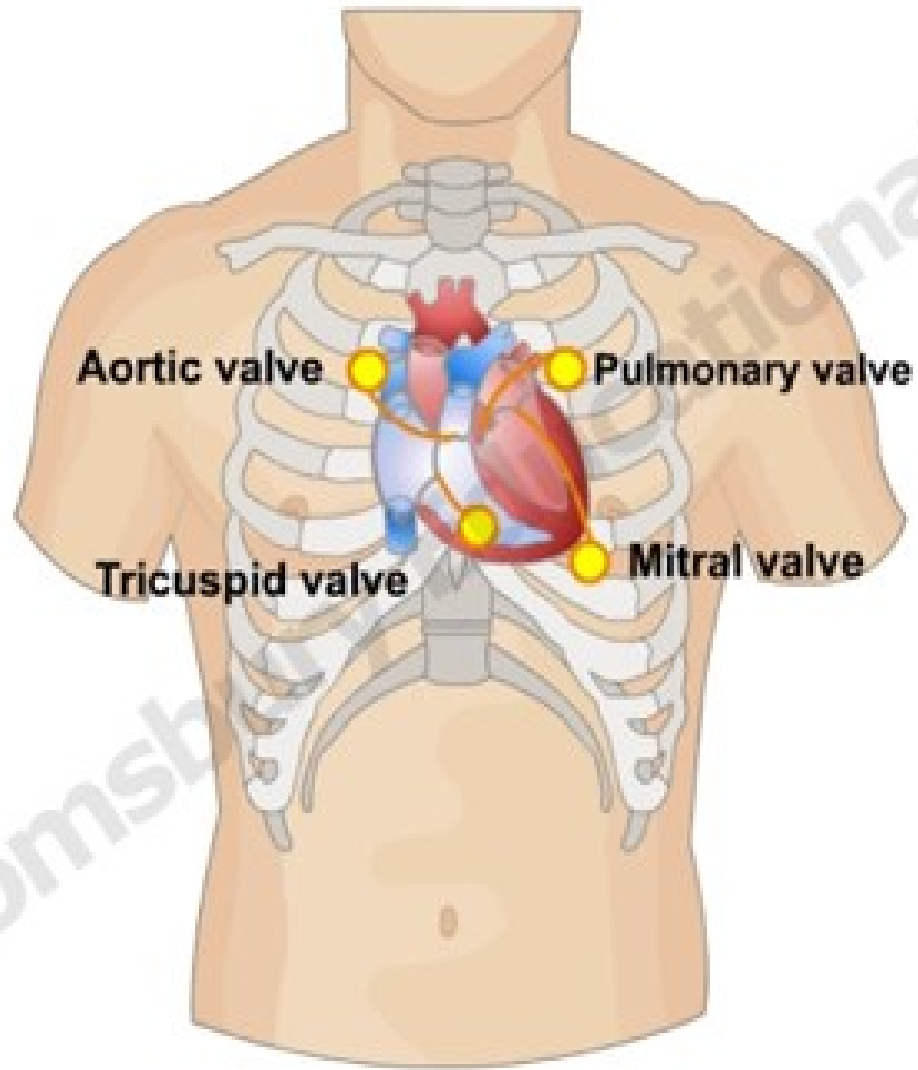
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# Auscultation







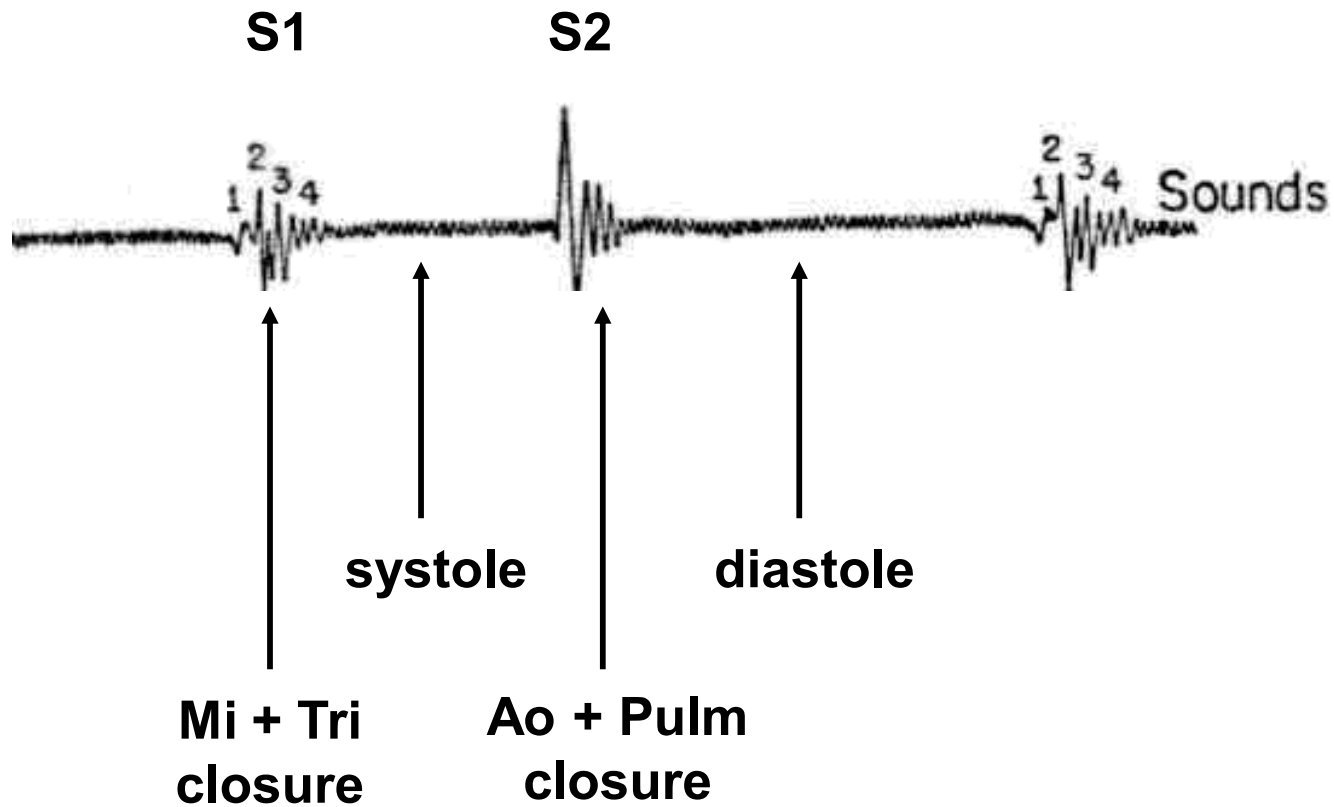
**Aortic valve**

**Pulmonary valve**

**Tricuspid valve**

**Mitral valve**

# Auscultation





**Mi, Tri  
insufficiency**

**Ao, Pulm  
insufficiency**



**murmur**

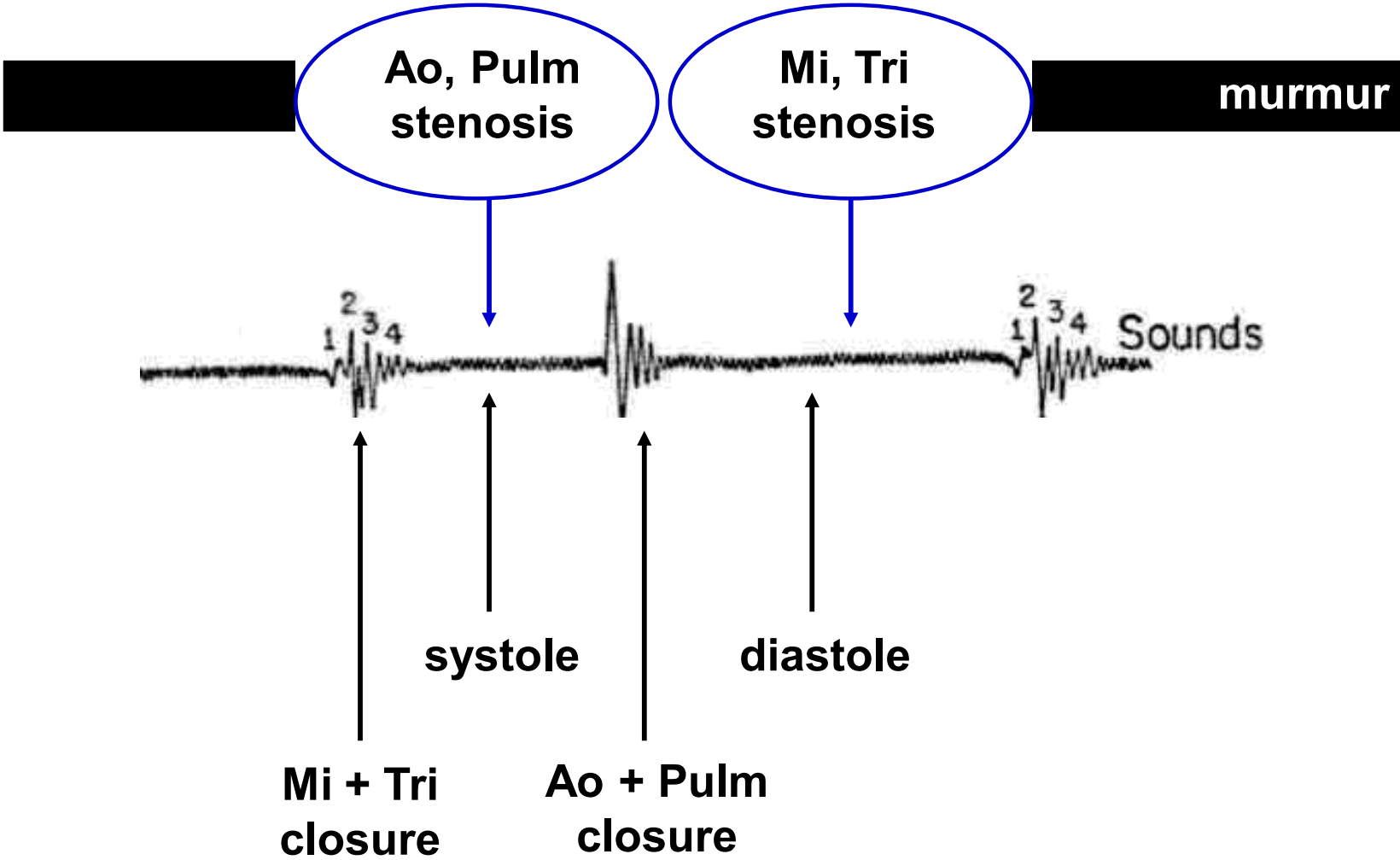


**systole**

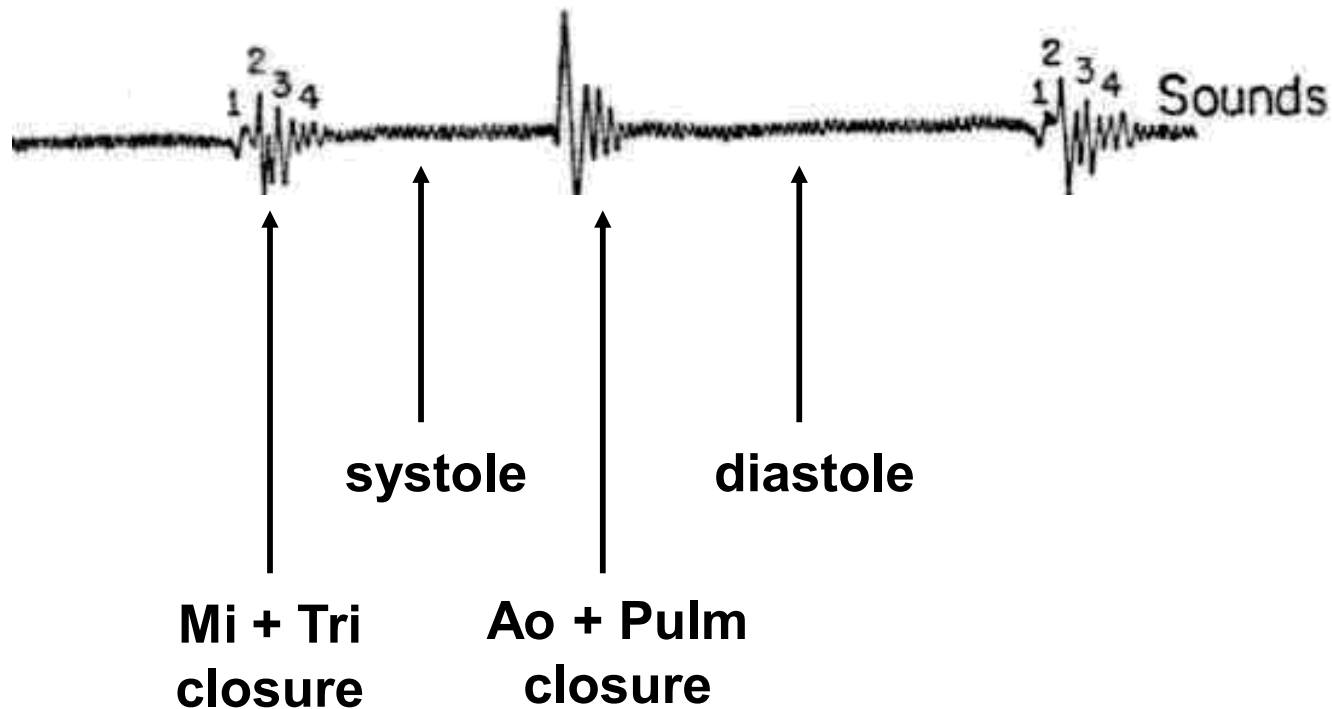
**diastole**

**Mi + Tri  
closure**

**Ao + Pulm  
closure**



**The intensity of murmur (1/6 ... 6/6) is not related to hemodynamic severity of valve disease**



# Mitral stenosis

Primarily the result of rheumatic fever

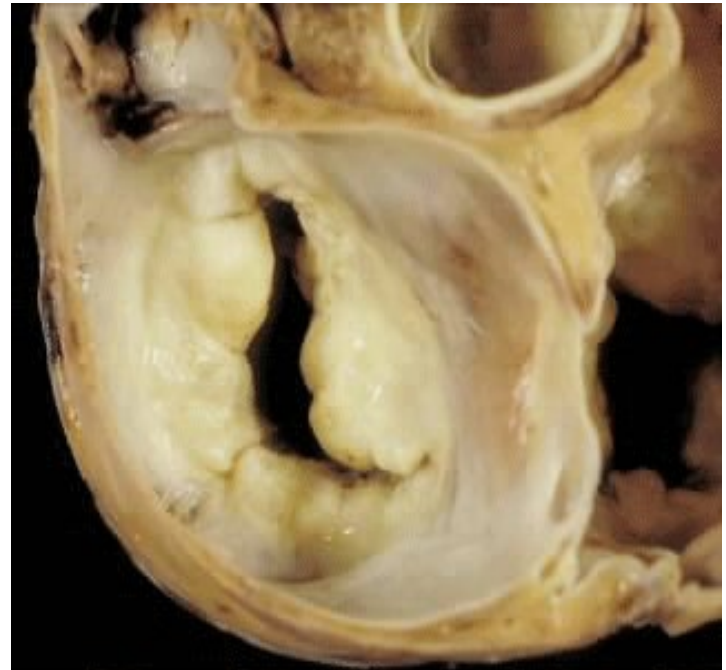
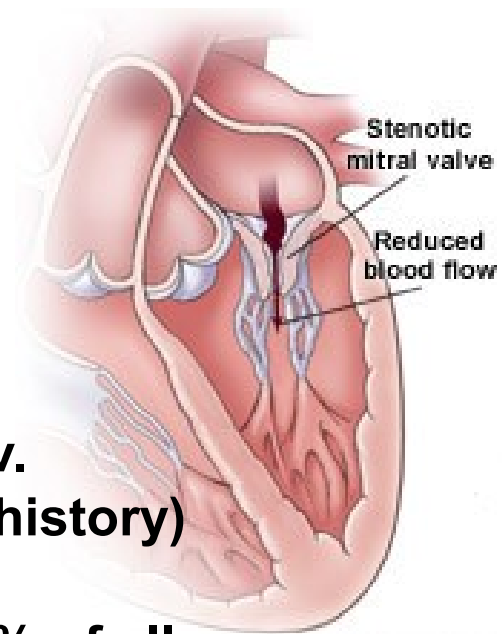
The most frequent post-rheumatic disease (recidiv. tonsillitis, 60% patients with rheumatic fever in history)

Pure or predominant mitral stenosis occurs in 40 % of all patients with rheumatic heart disease

Rarely congenital

Usually combination with mitral insufficiency

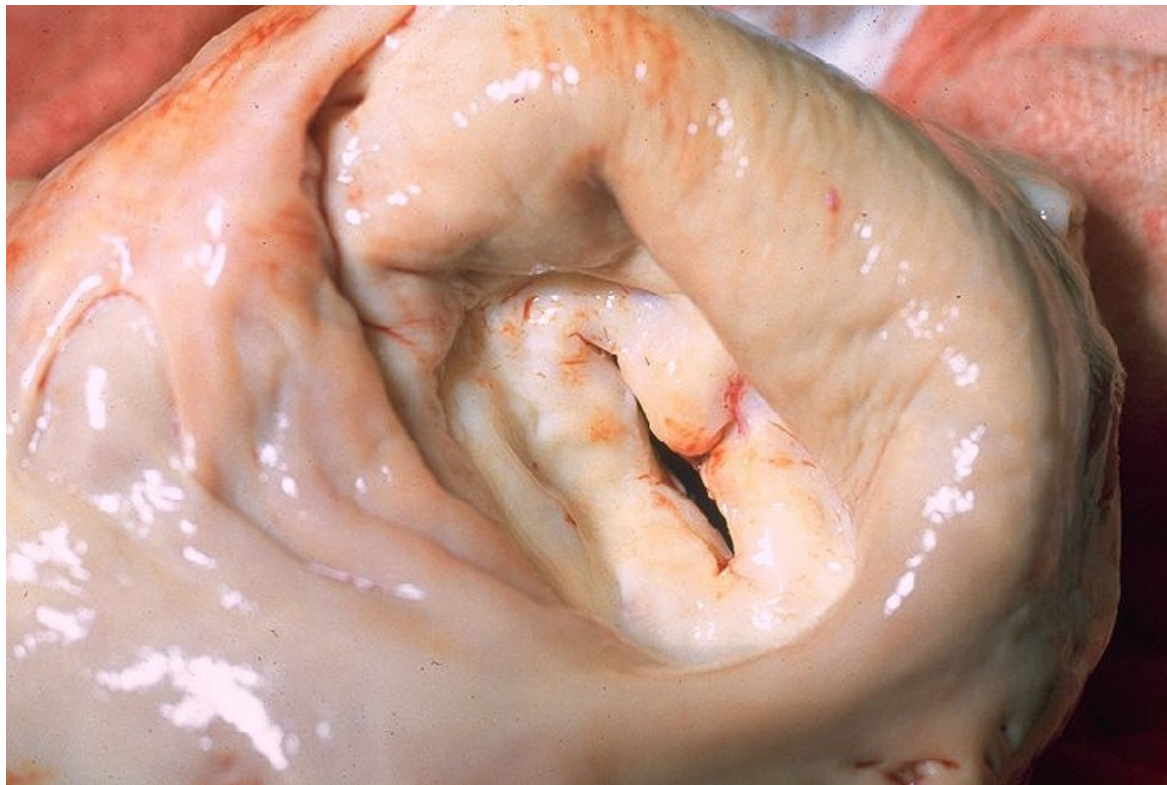
Ø 4-6 cm<sup>2</sup> → 0,5-2 cm<sup>2</sup>



# Mitral stenosis

## Pathogenesis:

♥ scarring + fusion of valve apparatus



# Mitral stenosis

## Pathogenesis:

- ♥ **scarring + fusion of valve apparatus**
- ♥ **retardation of quick phase of LV filling (+ participation of atrial fibrillation)**
  - **↓CO, poor tolerance of exercise**
- ♥ **LV hypertrophy / dilation**
  - **arrhythmia**
  - **thrombosis / embolism**
- ♥ **postcapillary pulmonary hypertension**
  - **pulmonary edema / pulmonary vasoconstriction**
  - **„tricuspidalisation“ (RV dilation / hypertrophy)**



# Mitral stenosis

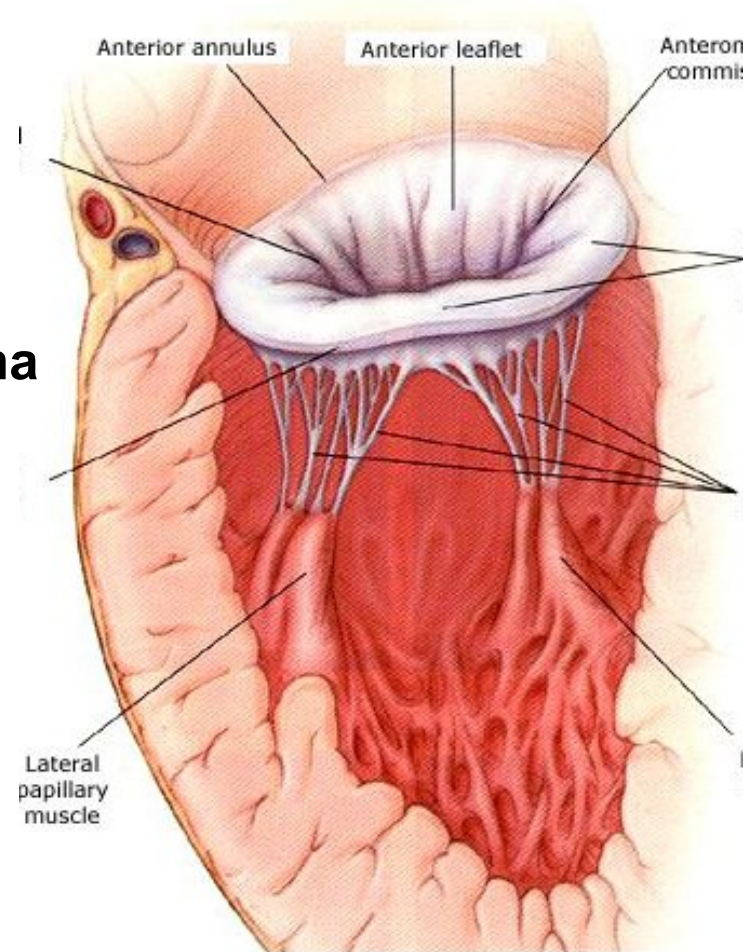
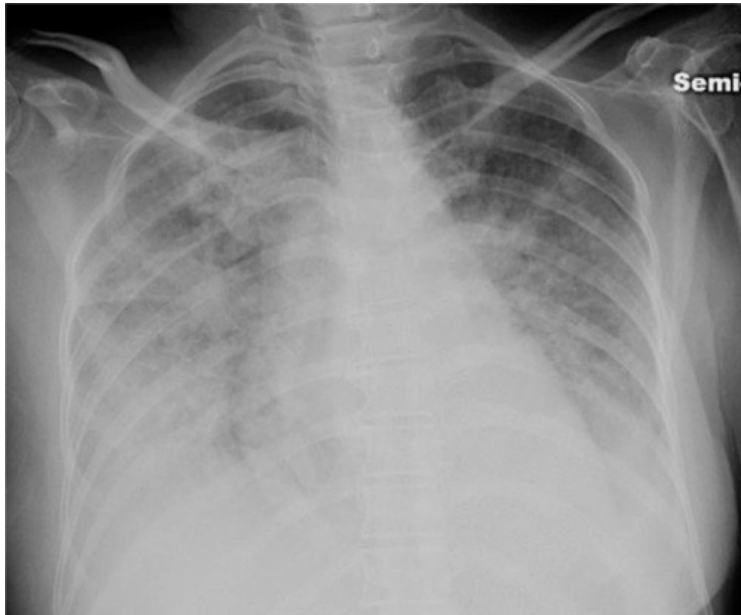
## Symptoms:

Ø 4 - 6 cm<sup>2</sup> ... normal valve area

Ø 1,5 - 2,5 cm<sup>2</sup> ... minimal symptoms

Ø 1 - 1,5 cm<sup>2</sup> ... no symptoms at rest

Ø ≤ 1 cm<sup>2</sup> ... severe stenosis, pulm. edema

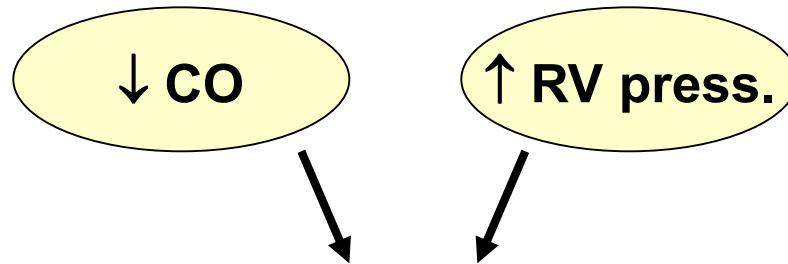


# Mitral stenosis

## Symptoms:

- **fatigue, poor tolerance of exercise**
- **palpitations**
- **cough**
- **left sided failure (orthopnea)**

# Mitral stenosis



**capillary + venous dilation**  
**... erythema**

**cyanosis of lips, tongue, auricles**

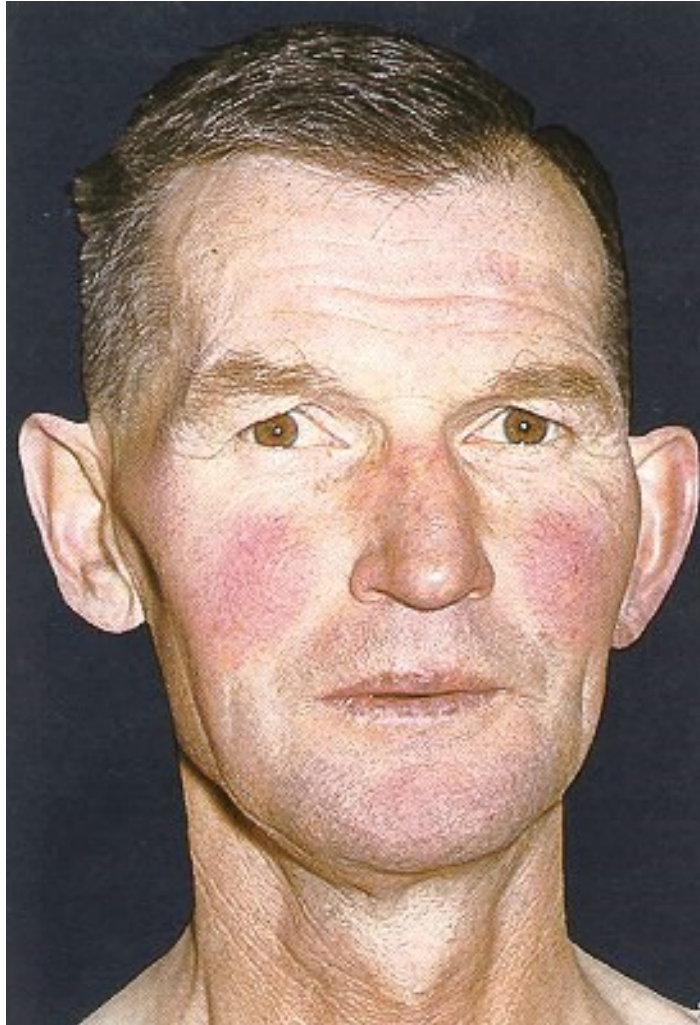
# Mitral stenosis



**facies mitralis**

**Flush and small venectasies are in contrast to pale surrounding, lip cyanosis. Dyspnoe, dry cough. Palpitation in atrial fibrillation.**

# Mitral stenosis

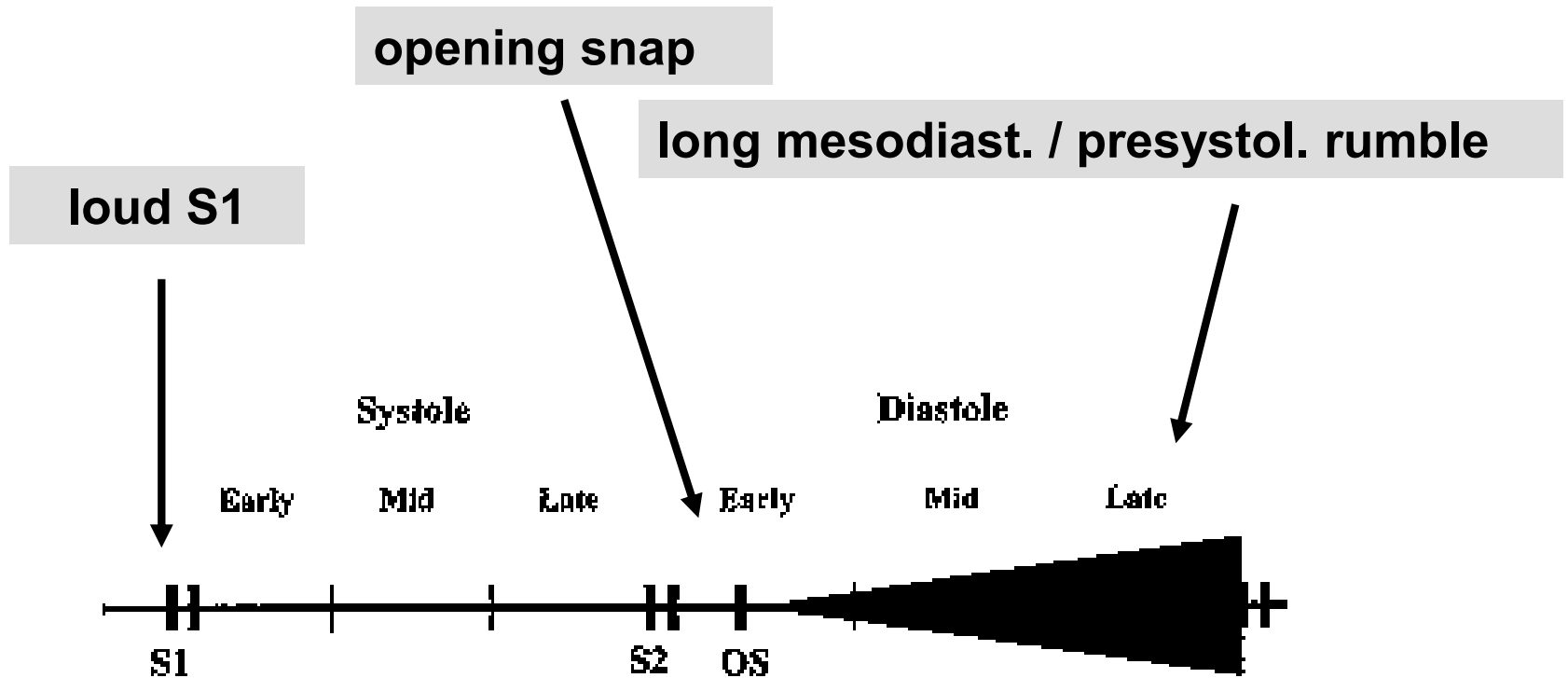


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# Mitral stenosis

**Diagnostics:** Auscultation / phonocardiography



# Mitral stenosis

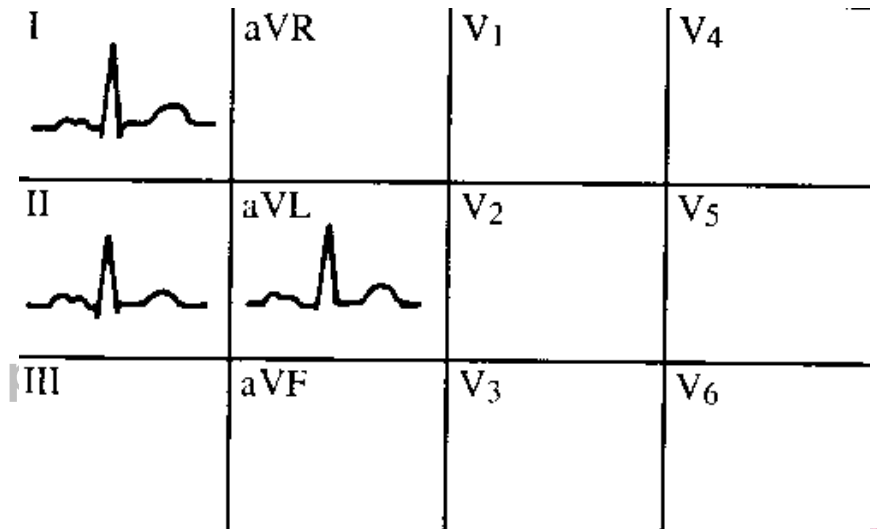
## Diagnostics:

Phonocardiography

**ECG**

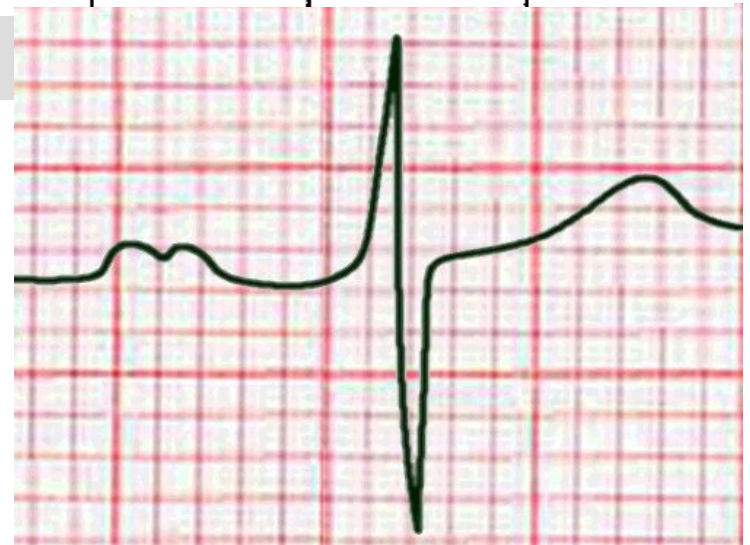
Chest X-ray – LV enlargement,

Echocardiography (!)



**P mitrale**

wide and biphasic P wave;  
often atrial fibrillation



# Mitral stenosis

## Diagnostics:

Phonocardiography

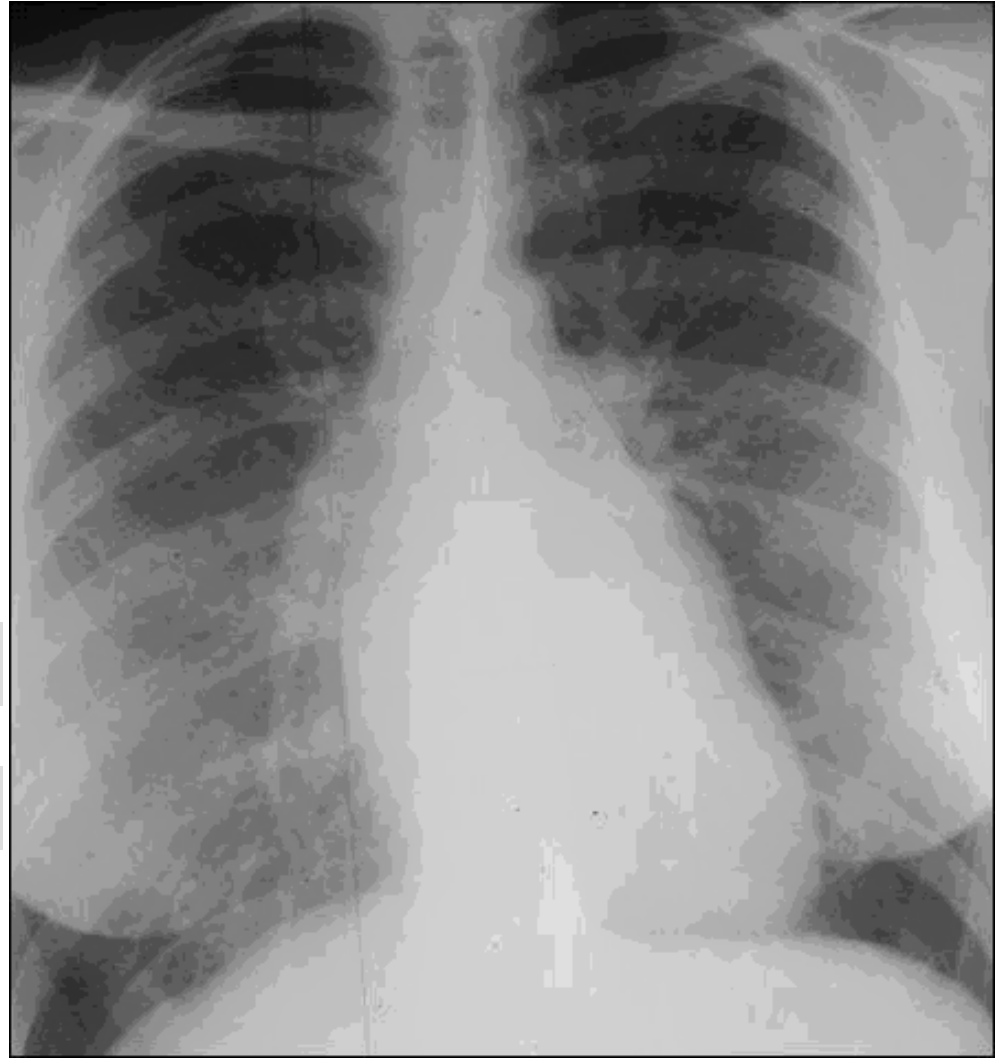
ECG

Chest X-ray

Echocardiography (!)

**LV enlargement**

**prominent pulmonary veins**





# Mitral stenosis

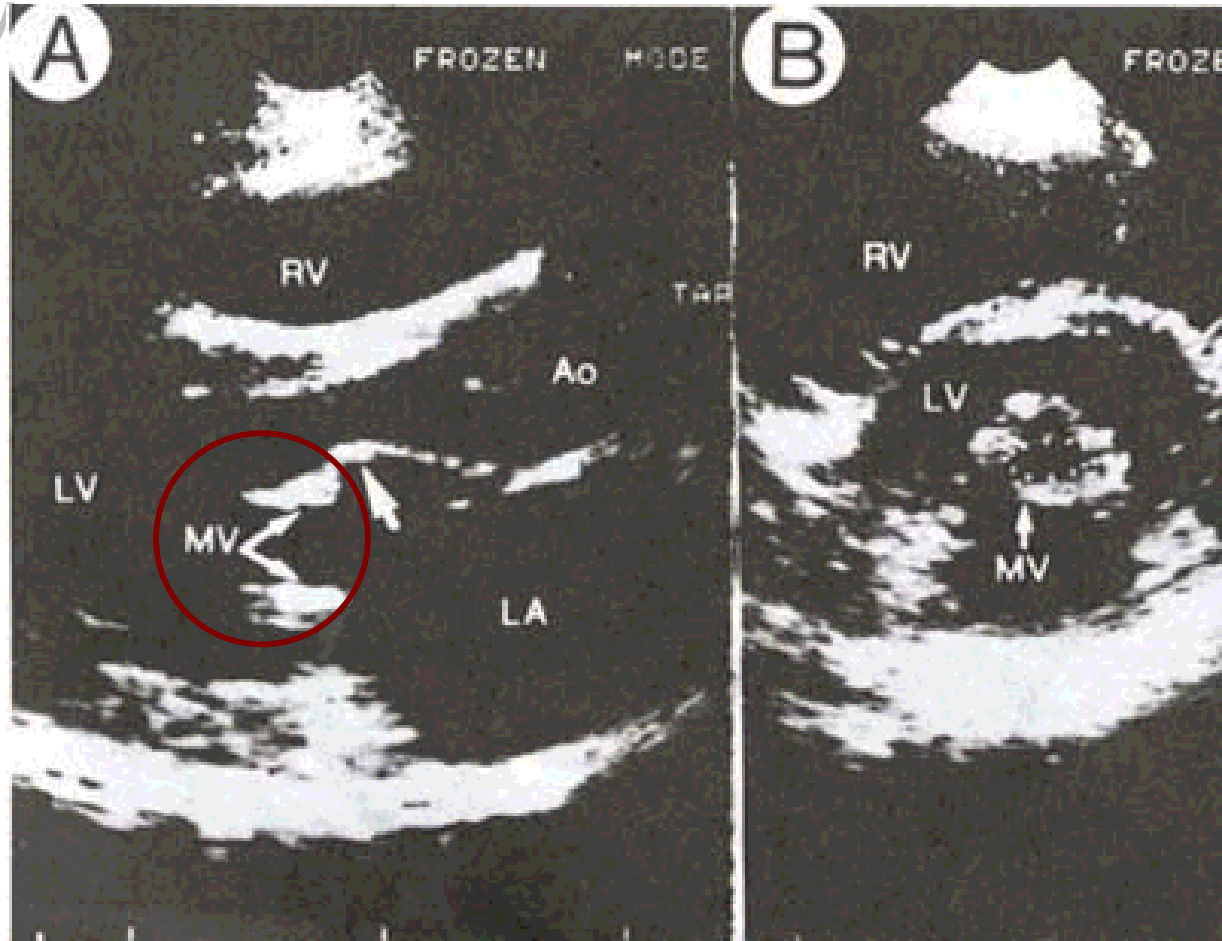
## Diagnostics:

Phonocardiography

ECG

Chest X-ray

**Echocardiography**



# Mitral stenosis

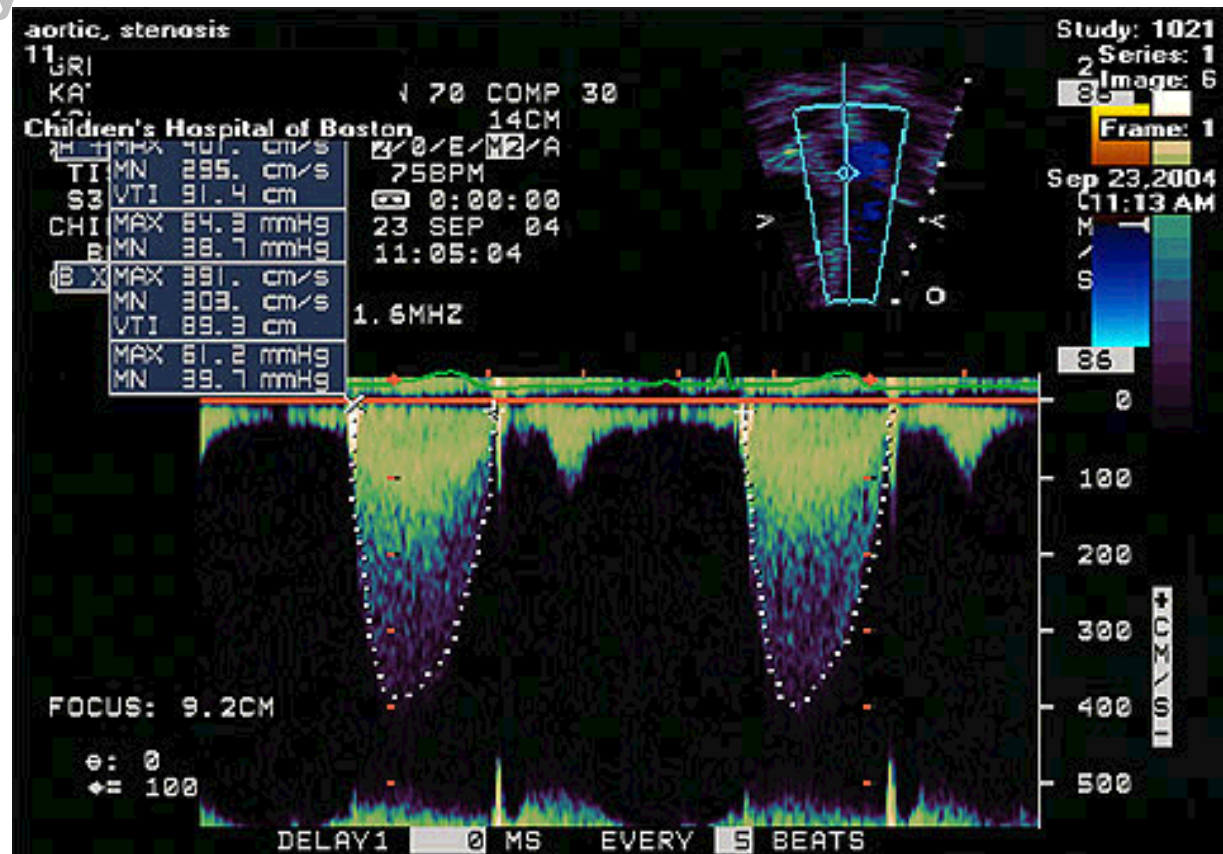
## Diagnostics:

Phonocardiography

ECG

Chest X-ray

Echocardiography



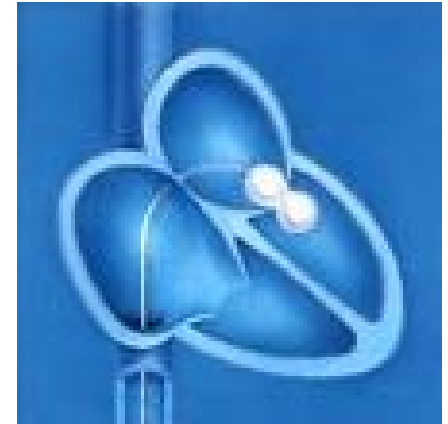
# Mitral stenosis

## Complications

- atrial fibrillation
- embolism
- infectious endocarditis
- recidiv. bronchitis

## Therapy

- catheterization (balloon valvuloplasty);
- surgical replacement of mitral valve



# Mitral insufficiency

## Etiology:

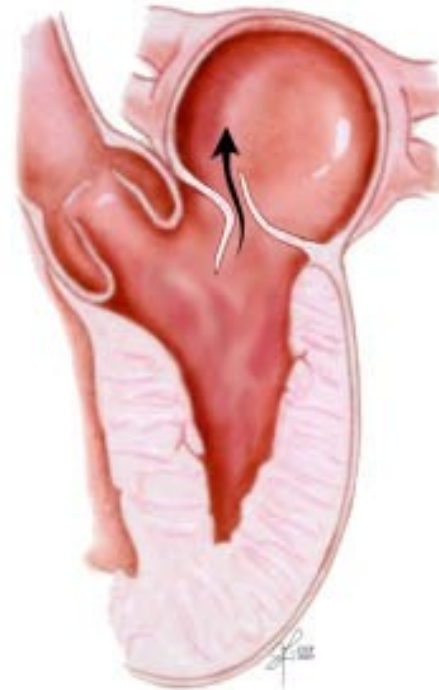
- mitral valve prolapse



Normal Closure



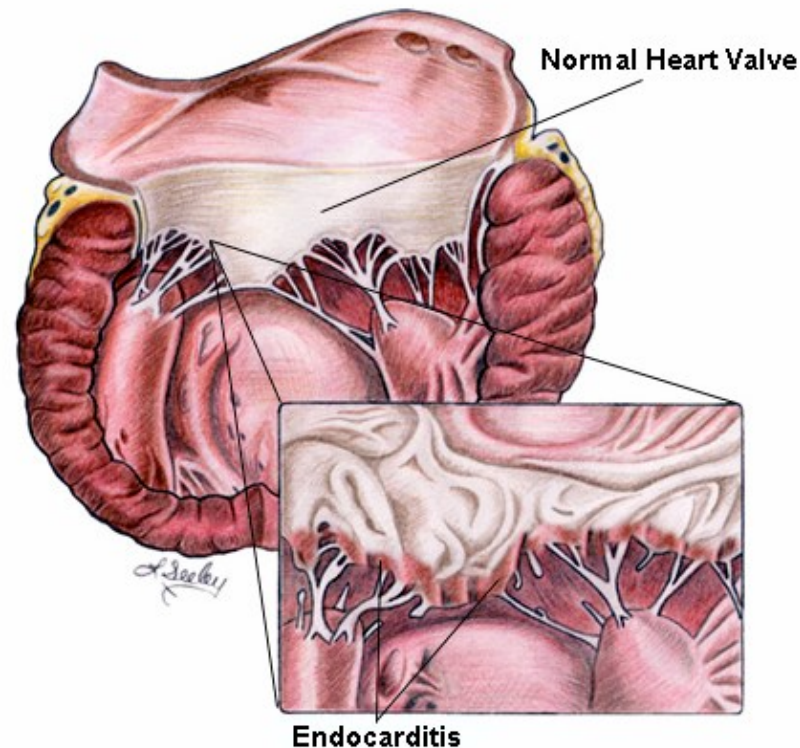
Prolapse Closure



# Mitral insufficiency

## Etiology:

- mitral valve prolapse
- rheumatic fever - endocarditis (shortening, thickening of valve) ... without latention



# Mitral insufficiency

## **Etiology:**

- **mitral valve prolapse**
- **rheumatic fever - endocarditis (shortening, thickening of valve) ... without latention**
- **ischemic disease (dysfunction of papillary muscles)**
- **bacter. endocarditis (valvular rupture, perforation)**
- **obstructive cardiomyopathy**
- **“relative insufficiency” (LV dilation)**

# Mitral insufficiency

## Pathogenesis:

- ♥ regurgitation of CO from LV to LA ( > 50 %)
  - LA hypertrophy / dilation (larger than mitr. stenosis)
  - decrease of LV systolic filling
    - ... long-term good tolerance
    - poor tolerance of exercise, dyspnoe, palpitations

## Prognosis:

- long latent course
- ↓ complications (bacterial endocarditis, embolism)
- quick terminal progress



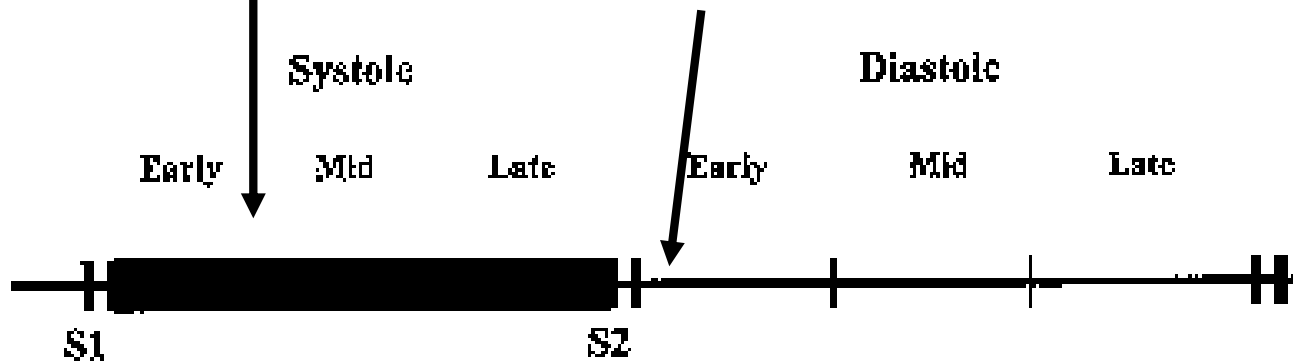
# Mitral insufficiency

## Auscultation:

holosystolic rumble on apex  
(systolic whirl)

event. short diastolic rumble

3rd (filling) sound



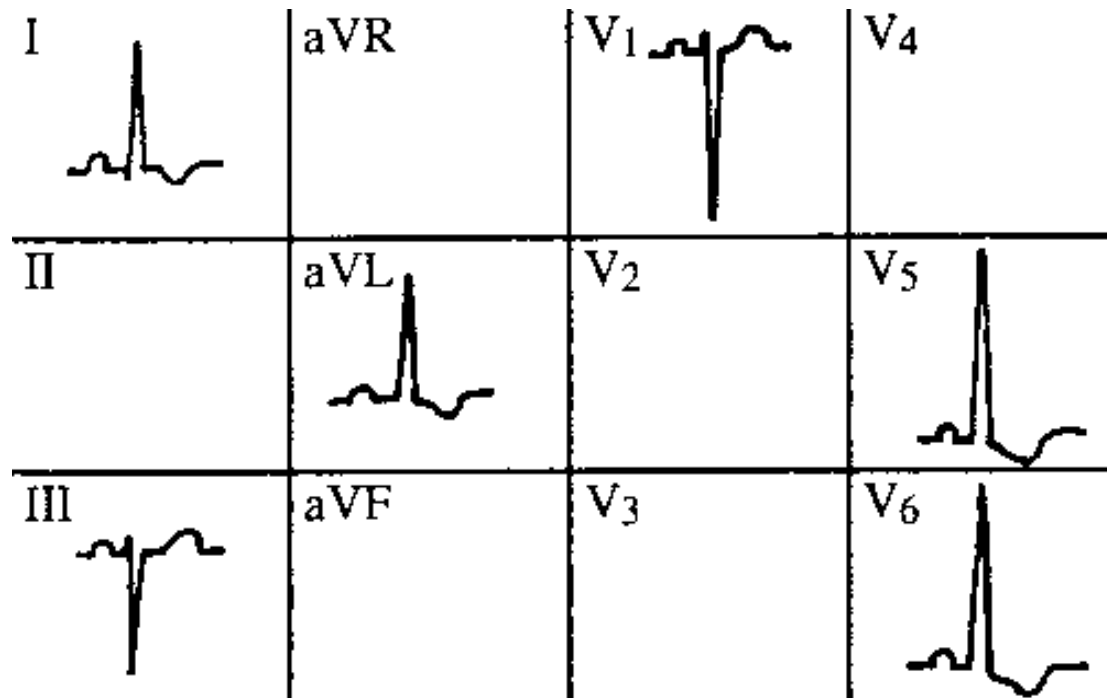


# Mitrální insuficience

## Diagnostics:

Phonocardiography

ECG – LV hypertrophy or P mitrale, atrial fibrillation



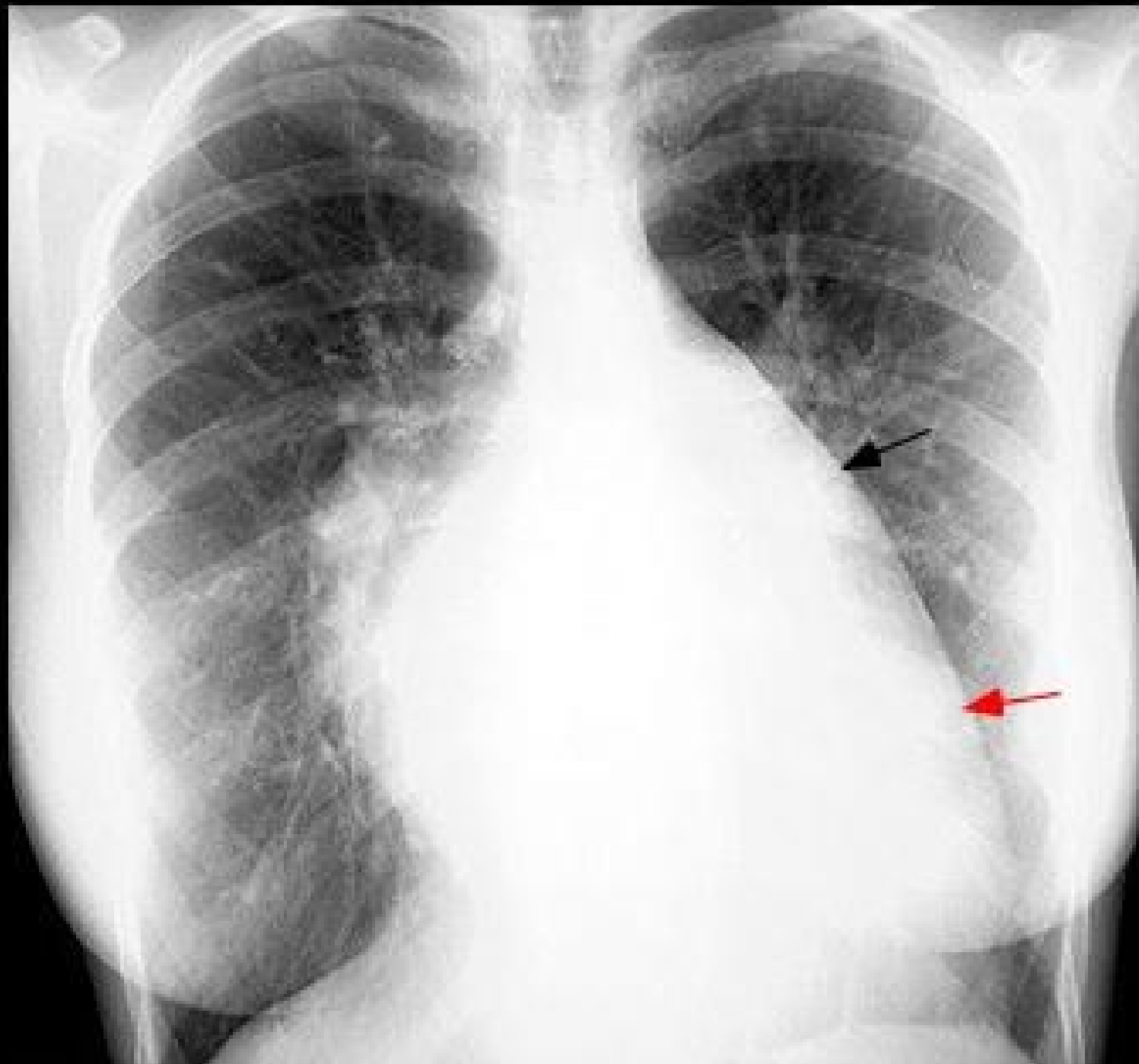
# Mitrální insuficience

## **Diagnostics:**

Phonocardiography

ECG

**Chest X ray – heart hypertrophy / dilation**



# Mitrální insuficience

## **Diagnostics:**

Phonocardiography

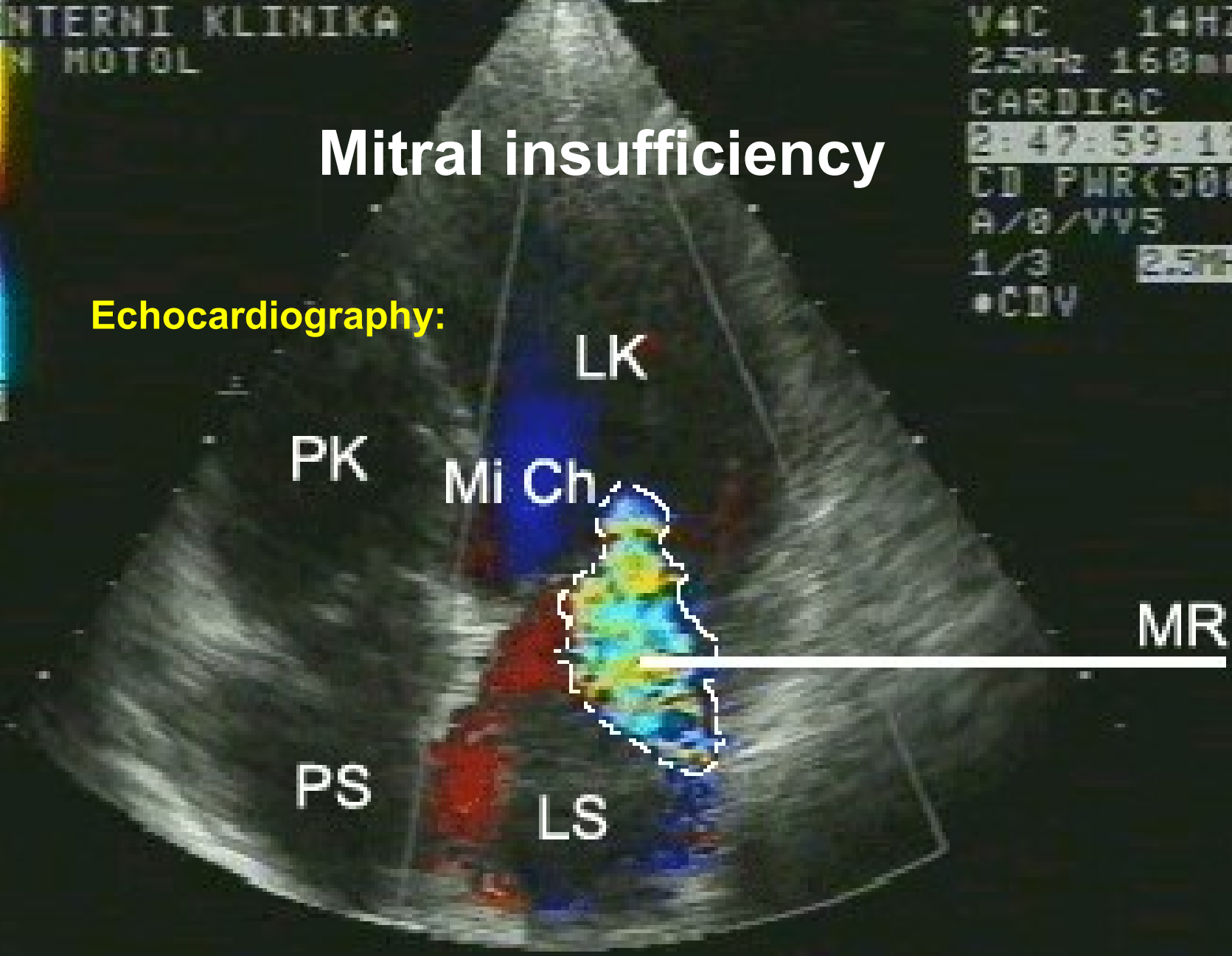
ECG

Chest X ray

**Echocardiography (!)**

# Mitral insufficiency

Echocardiography:



# Mitral insufficiency

## Complications

- atrial fibrillation,
- heart failure, pulmonary edema,
- infectious endocarditis

## Therapy

- surgical replacement of a valve

Biological valve  
(human or porcine)



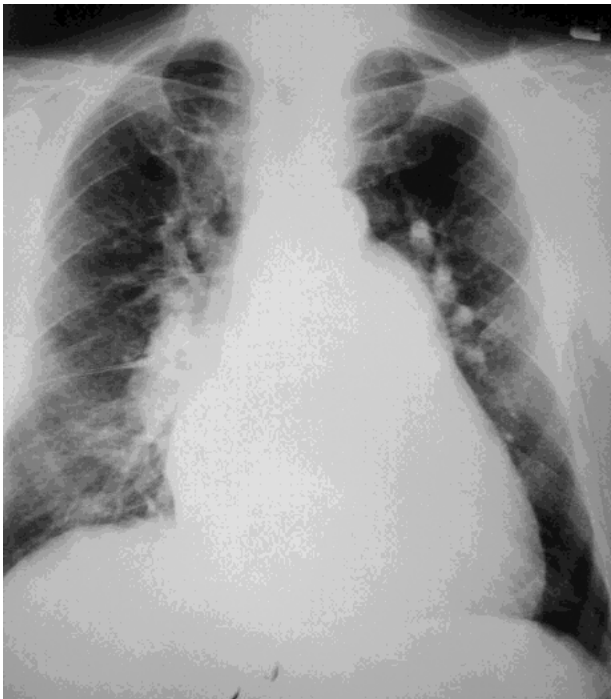
Mechanical valve



# Combined mitral disease

**Mitral ostium  $> 1 \text{ cm}^2$  ... dominant insufficiency ... LV hypertrophy**

**Mitral ostium  $< 0,6 \text{ cm}^2$  ... dominant stenosis ... RV hypertrophy,  
pulmonary hypertension**

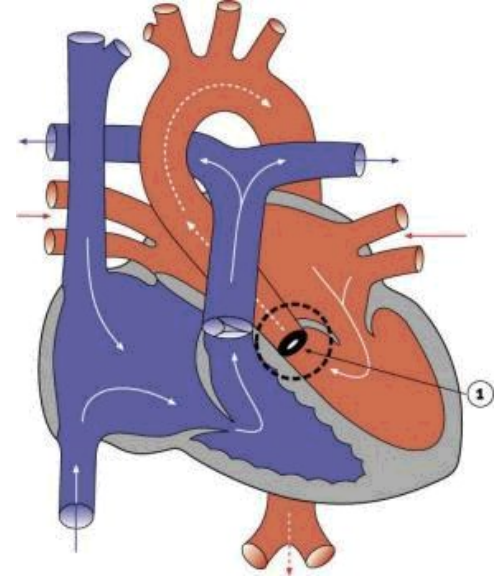
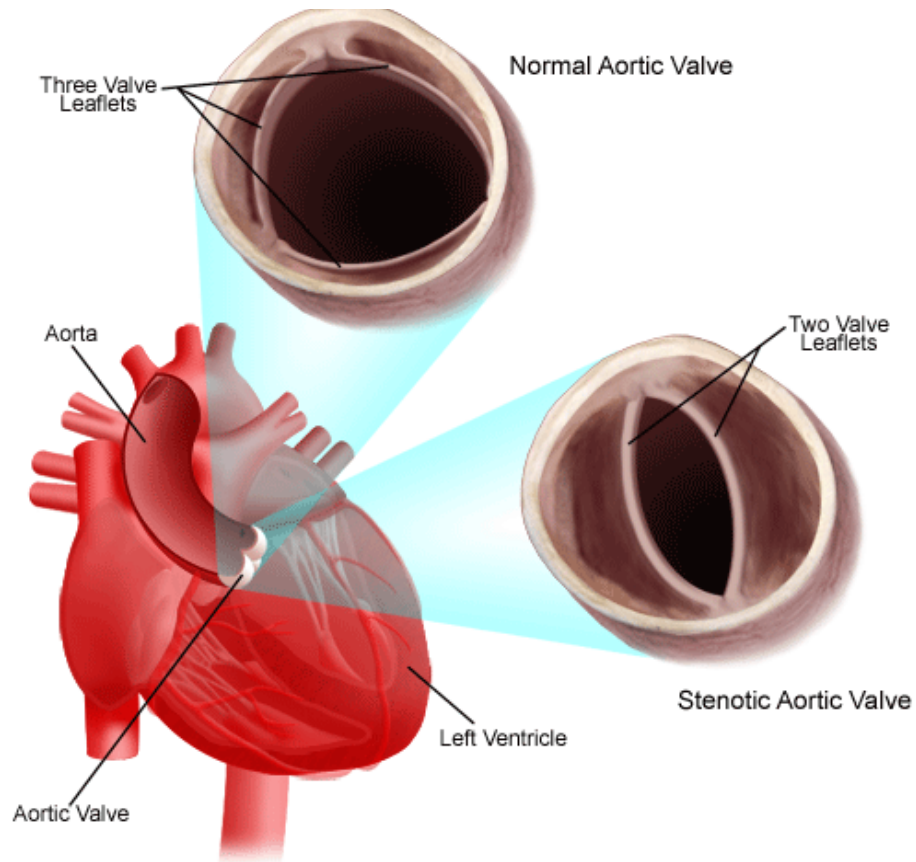


**combined mitral disease**

# Aortic stenosis

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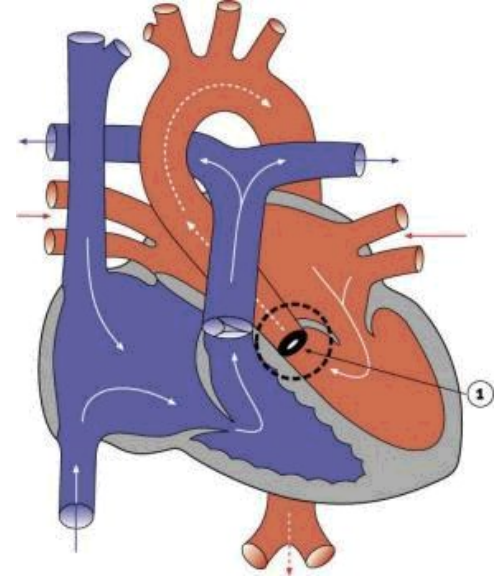
hemodyn. important stenosis ...  $\frac{1}{4}$  (= 0,7 cm<sup>2</sup>)

## Etiology:

- rheumatic fever (combination with insufficiency)
- congenital (valvular adhesion)
- degenerative (sclerosis) (elderly patients, benign course)

## Localization:

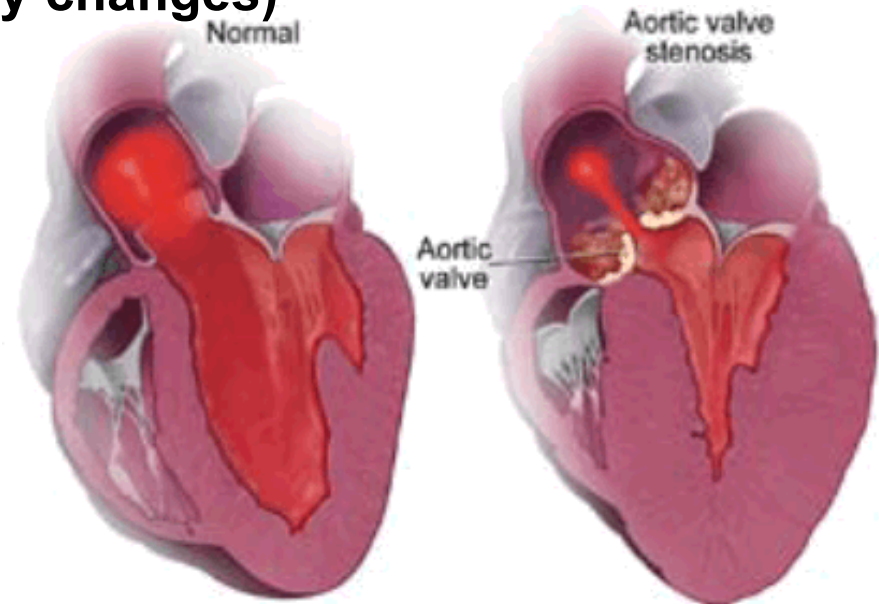
- supra-avalvular (necking above valve)
- valvular
- subvalvular



# Aortic stenosis

## Pathogenesis:

- ♥ ↑ pressure systolic gradient between LV and the aorta
  - *pulsus parvus, pulsus tardus*
  - systolic pressure 100-110 mm Hg
  - normal CO, but no ↑ during exertion (...syncope, dizziness)
- ♥ LV hypertrophy → LA hypertrophy → pulmonary propagation (concentric HY ... without X-ray changes)



# Aortis stenosis

## Prognosis:

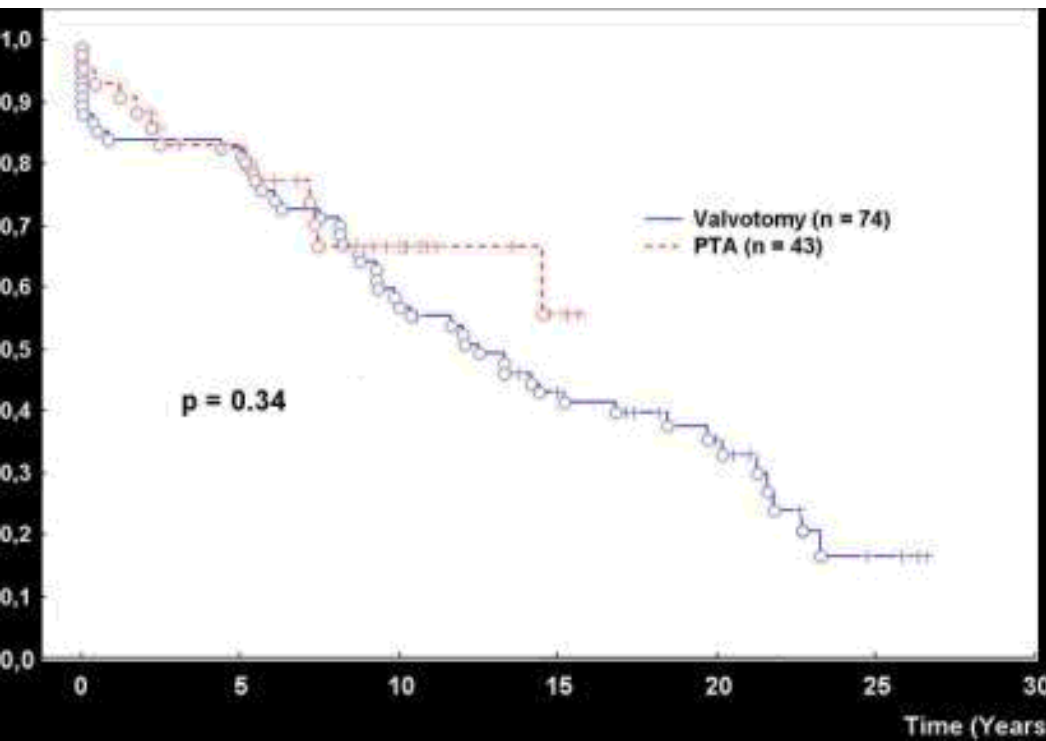
↓ slow progression (...surgery: systolic gradient 50-70 mm Hg)  
↓ complications: bacterial endocarditis, AMI  
↓ terminal cardiac failure

- dyspnoe; poor tolerance of physical activity
- syncopes in exercise;
- angina pectoris;
- systolic murmur in 2nd intercostal space in right parasternal line

# Aortis stenosis

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Survival curve of patients after palliative surgery - valvotomy, or PTA (balloon valvuloplastic)

# Aortic stenosis

## Diagnostics:

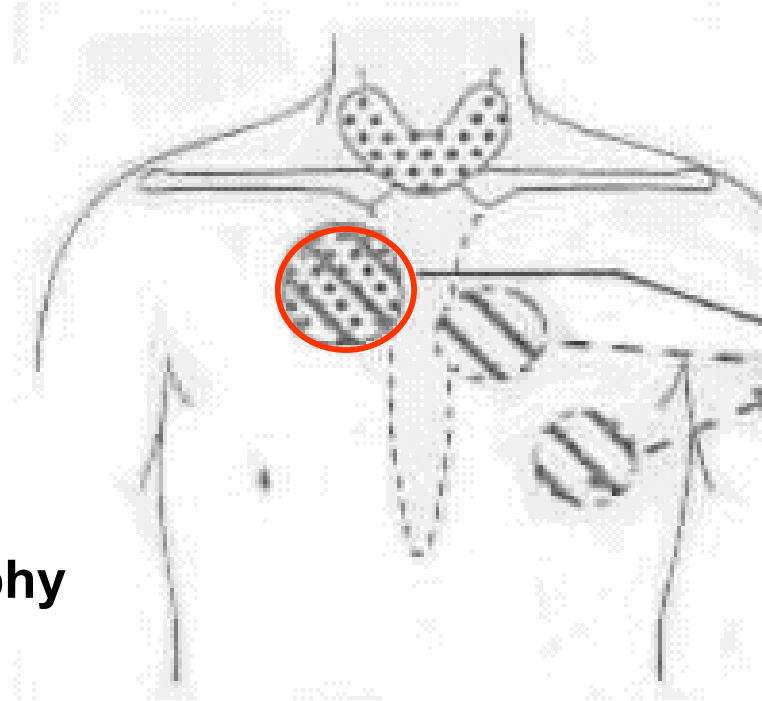
Phonocardiography

ECG – LV hypertrophy

Chest X-Ray

Echocardiography

Heart catheterization - ventriculography



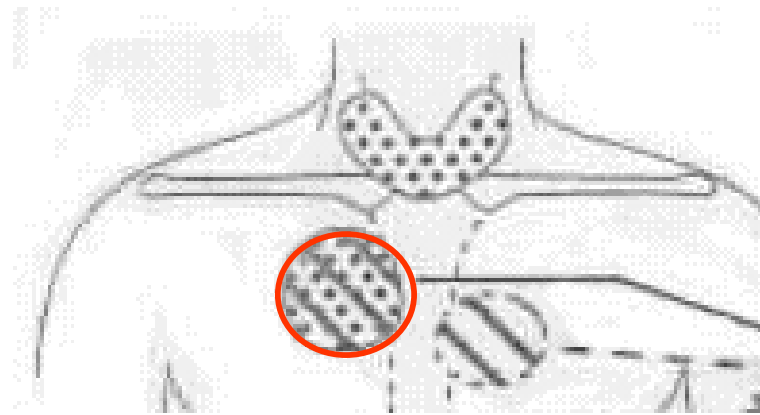
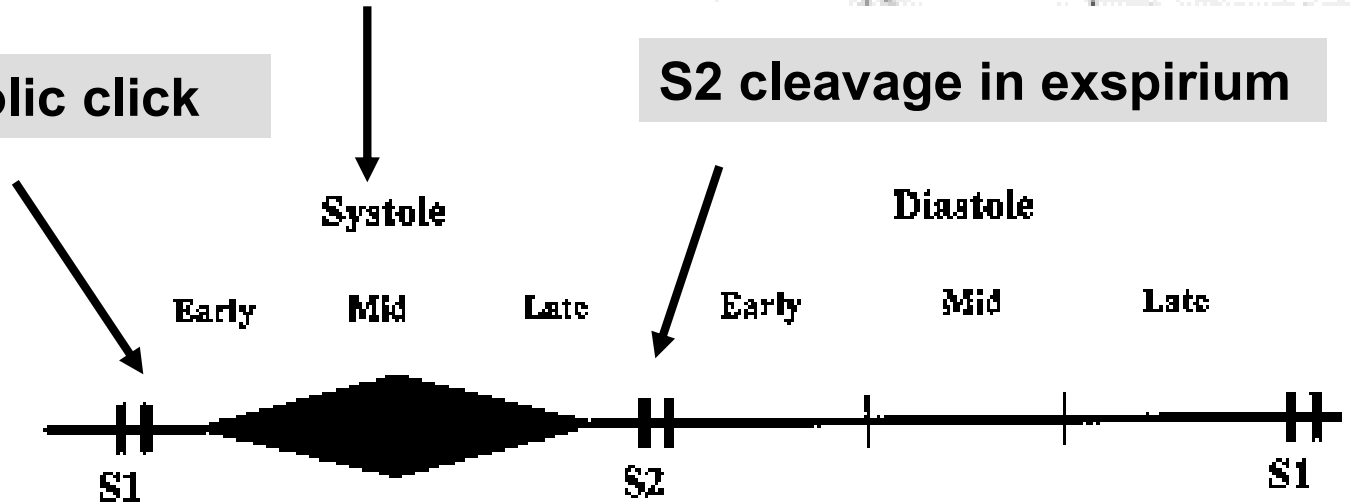
# Aortis stenosis

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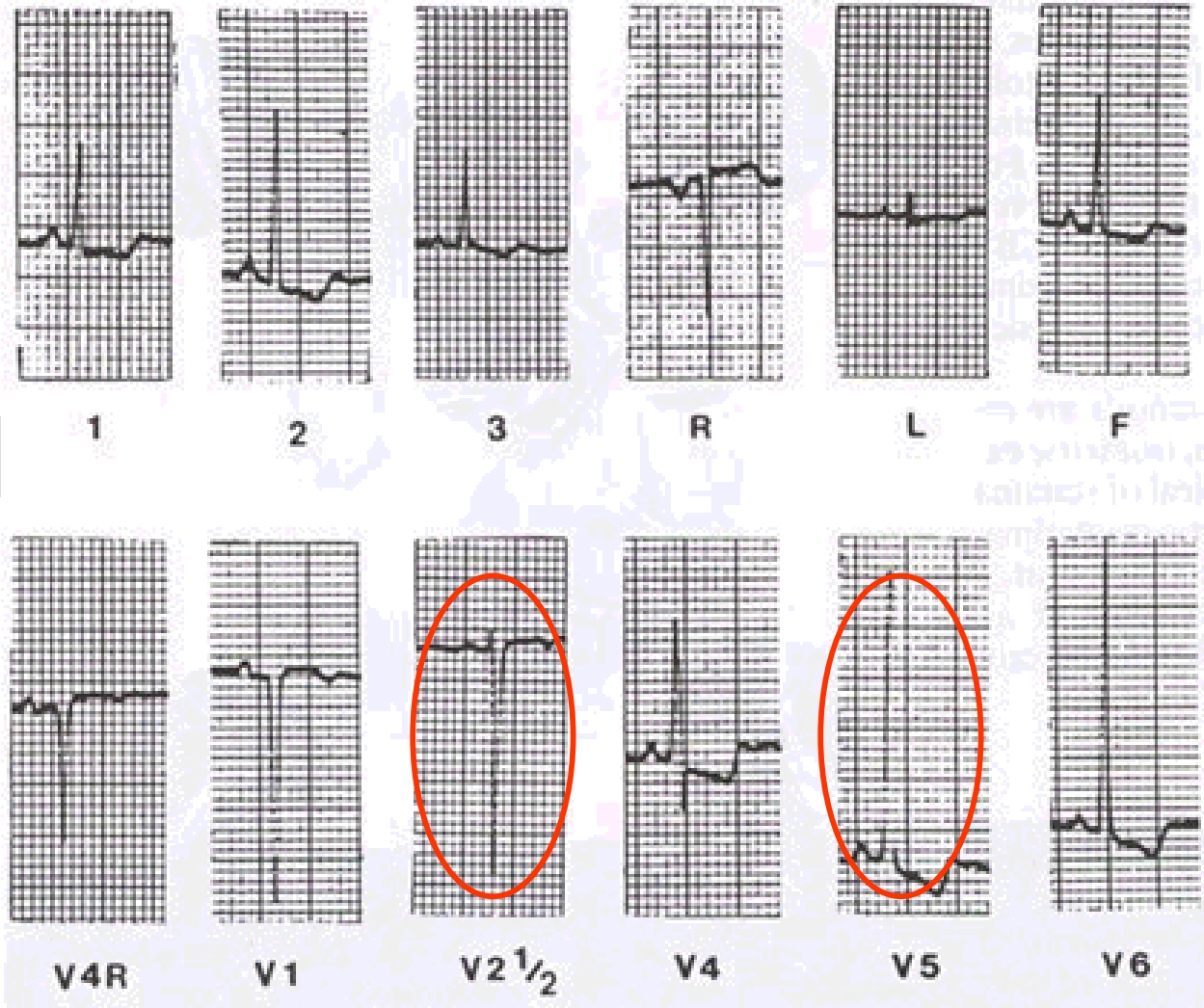
**eject systolic murmur**

**early systolic click**

**S2 cleavage in exspirium**



# Aortis stenosis



ECG: LV overloading

# Aortis stenosis



**Cardio-CT:**

**Diffuse calcification of all 3  
aortic commissuras, mild  
stenosis in 66-yr. male**



# Aortic stenosis

## Complications

- infectious endocarditis,
- cardiac failure
- sudden death

## Therapy

- surgical valve replacement

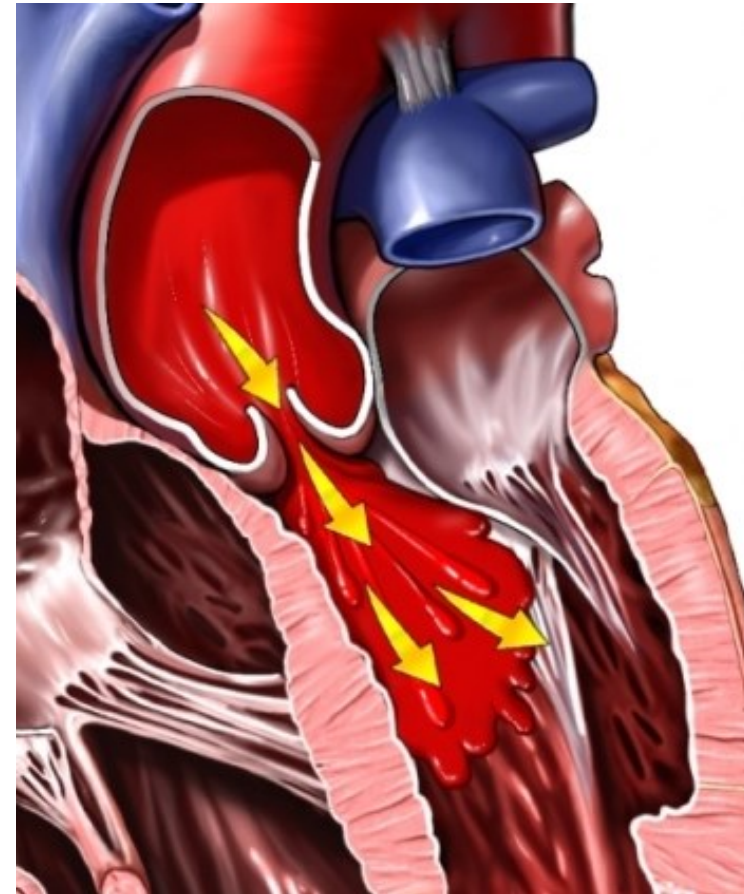
# Aortic valve replacement



# Aortic insufficiency

## Etiology:

- **rheumatic fever - endocarditis !! (without delay, often combined with mitral disease)**
- **bacterial endocarditis**
- **congenital disease**
- **dissection of aortic aneurysm**
- **pox**
- **“relative insufficiency” = dilation of aorta (e.g. during pox)**



# Aortic insufficiency

## Pathogenesis:

depends on  $\emptyset$  valve, gradient, and LV compliance

♥ (compensatory) LV hypertrophy / dilation

♥ (compensatory) ↓ peripheral resistance

→ Corrigan's pulse (high, quick, ↑ pressure amplitude)

→ Quinke capillary pulsation

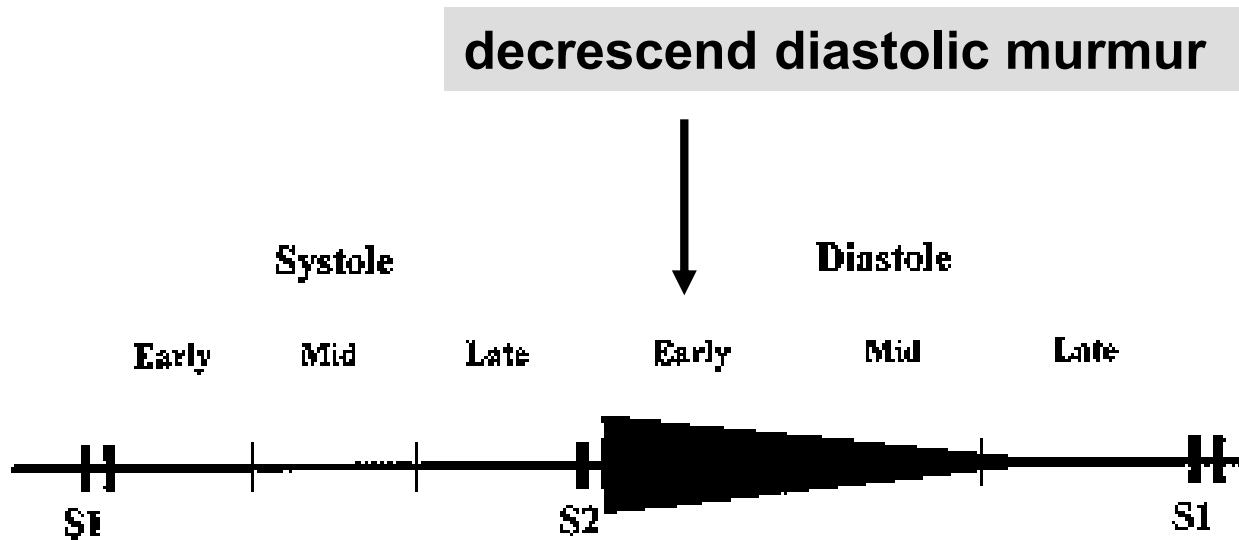
♥ good exertion tolerance (due to ↓ vascular resistance)

## Prognosis:

↓ 10x years latent course, palpitations  
↓ complications: bacterial endocarditis  
↓ terminal cardiac failure

# Aortic insufficiency

Auscultation:



# Aortic insufficiency

## Diagnosics:

echo,  
heart catheterization (ventriculography)

## Prognosis:

↓ 10 x years latent course, palpitations  
↓ complications: bacterial endocarditis  
↓ terminal cardiac failure

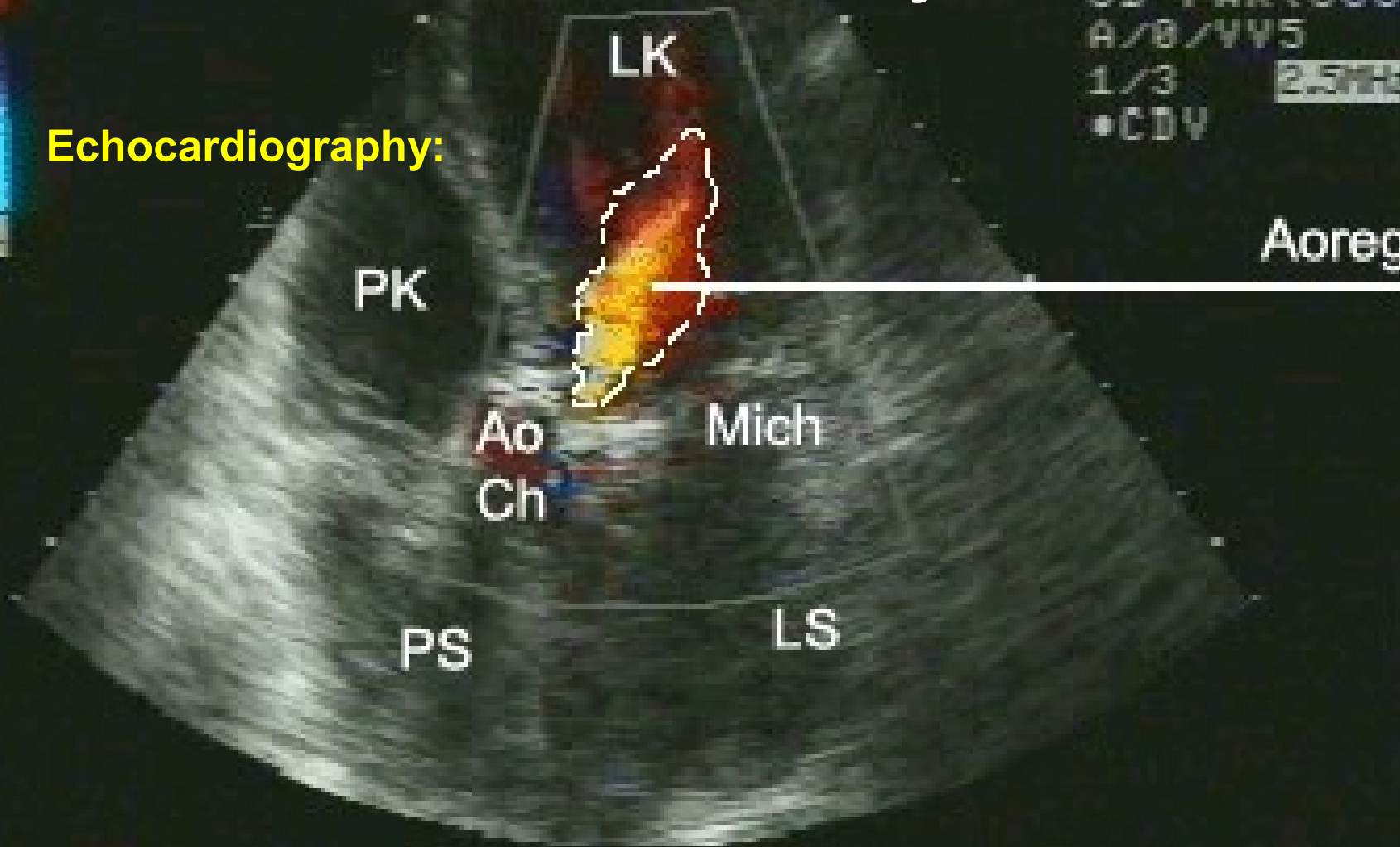
## Therapy:

valve replacement

# Aortic insufficiency

Echocardiography:

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# **Congenital heart defects**

## **Septal defects and ductus arteriosus**

**Atrial / ventricular septal defect,  
Persistent truncus arteriosus**

## **Obstruction defects**

**Coarctation of the aorta**

## **Dislocation defects**

**Transposition of the great vessels  
Ebstein anomaly**

## **Combined defects**

**Fallot tetralogy  
Eisenmenger syndrome**



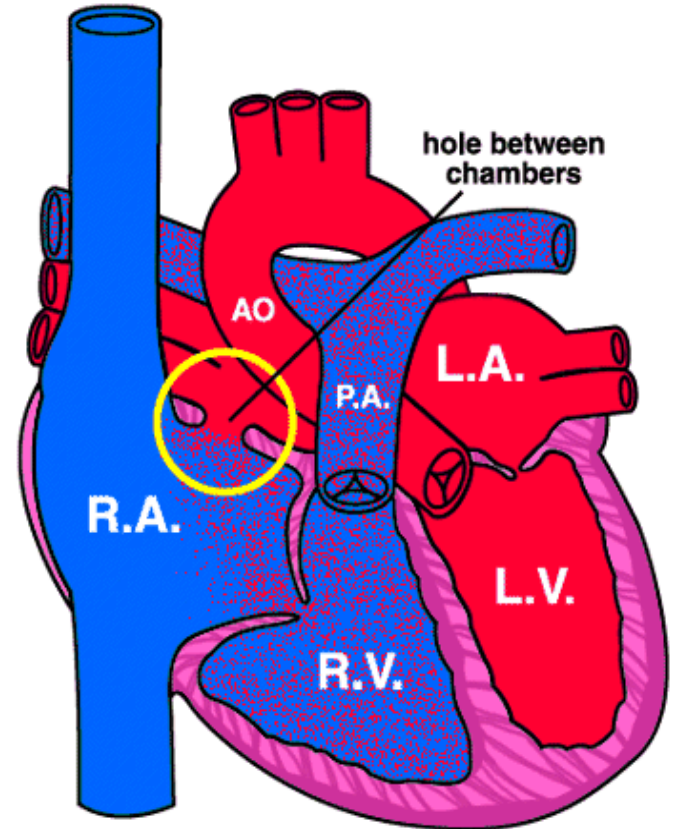
# Congenital heart defects

**Incidence: 9 / 1000 newborns**



# Atrial septal defect

- Shunt heart defect
- Unclosed foramen ovale
- Oxygenated blood flow from left atrium to right atrium

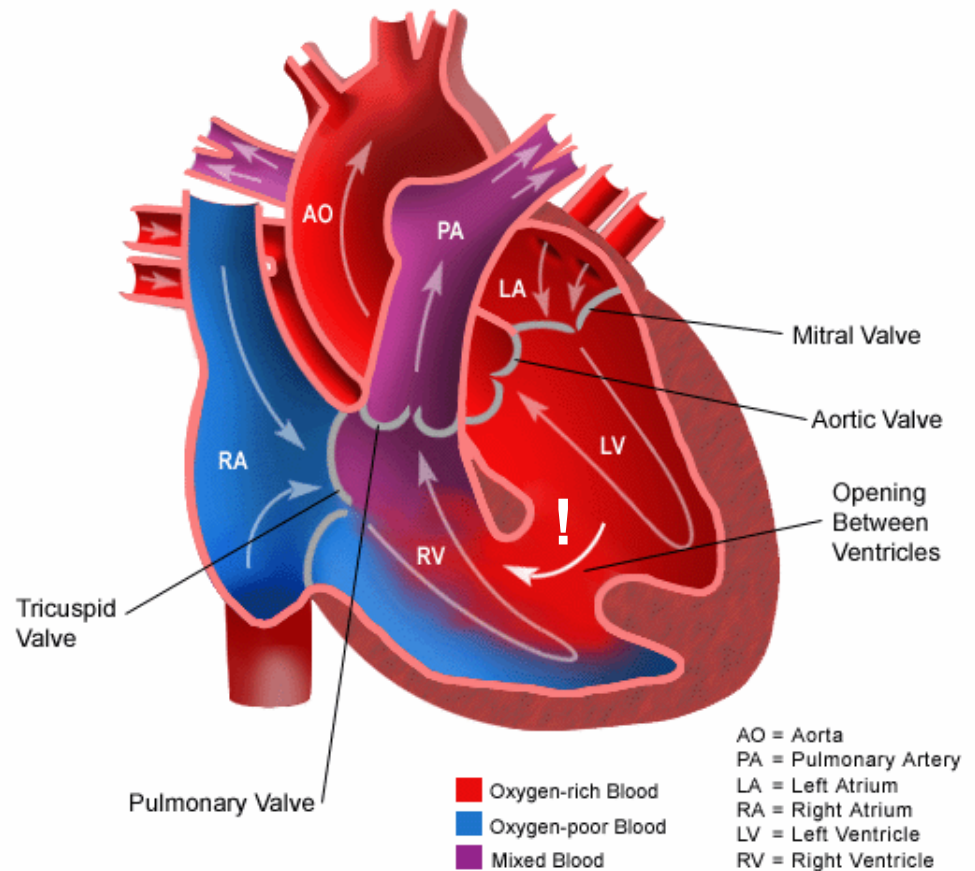


# Atrial septal defect

- Shunt heart defect
- Unclosed foramen ovale
- Oxygenated blood flow from left atrium to right atrium
- **Minimal defect** (in 30% adults) – asymptomatic
- **Small defect** - dg. at age 30 - 40 – dyspnoe, fatigue, arrhythmia
- **Large defect** – dg. in newborn, chronic heart failure
- **Diagnostics: ECG, Chest X-Ray, ECHO**
- **Therapy: catheterization or cardiac surgery**

# Ventricular septal defect

- **Unclosed septum between LV and RV**
- **LV → RV blood flow**

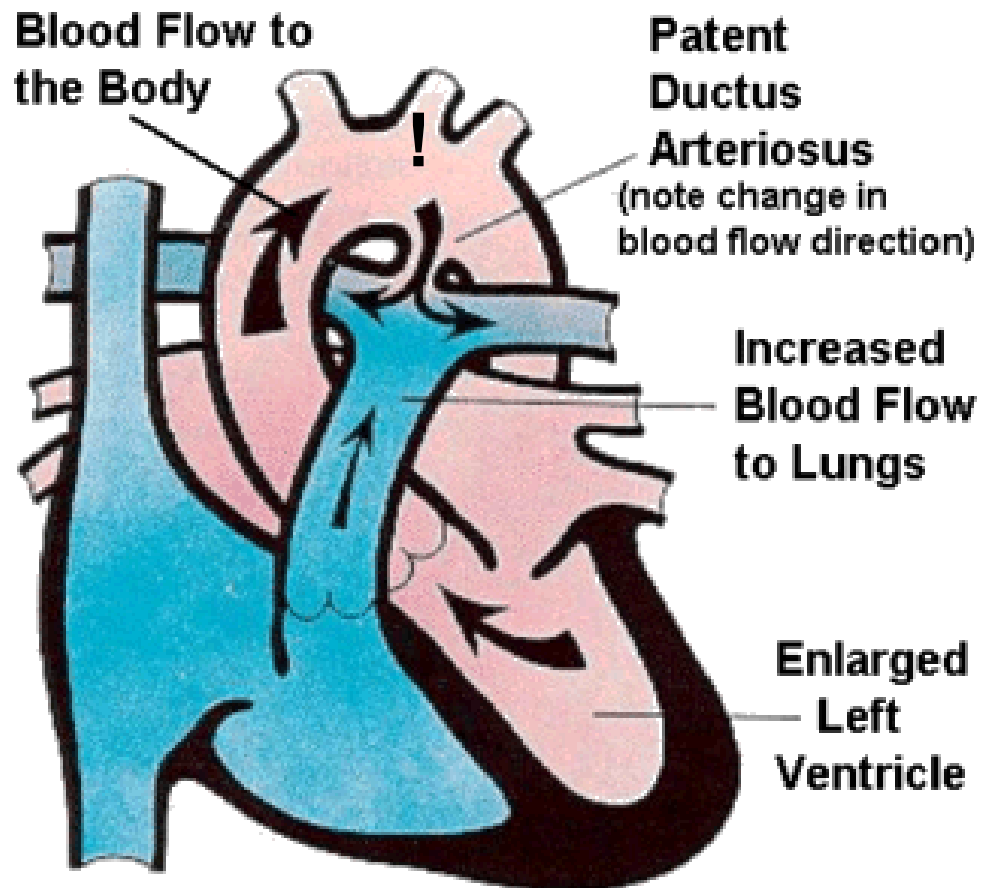


# Ventricular septal defect

- Unclosed septum between LV and RV
- LV → RV blood flow
- **Small defect:** asymptomatic, loud systolic murmur in the left parasternal line down
- **Large defect:** cardiac failure in newborns
- **Diagnostics:** ECG, Chest X-Ray, ECHO
- **Therapy:** cardiac surgery

# Persistent truncus arteriosus

- Truncus arteriosus = In fetus, a communication between pulmonary artery and aorta (blood flow from pulmonary artery to aorta) – closed shortly after delivery

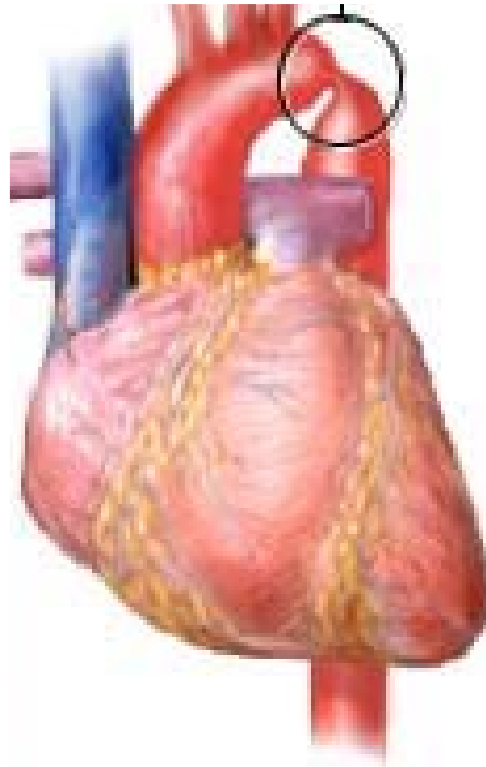


# Persistent truncus arteriosus

- **Asymptomatic** at first – due to a high pressure in pulmonary circulation. With a decrease in this pressure, the development of **left-to-right shunt**
- 6-8 weeks after delivery – **intensive continual murmur** (systolic-diastolic) in the left 2<sup>nd</sup> intercostal space
- Diagnostics: echo
- Large shunt: cardiac failure after delivery
- **Complications**: infectious endocarditis, cardiac failure in adult age
- **Therapy**: Indomethacin (inhibitor of PG synthesis ... vasoconstriction ... shunt closure), otherwise surgical treatment

# Coarctation of the aorta

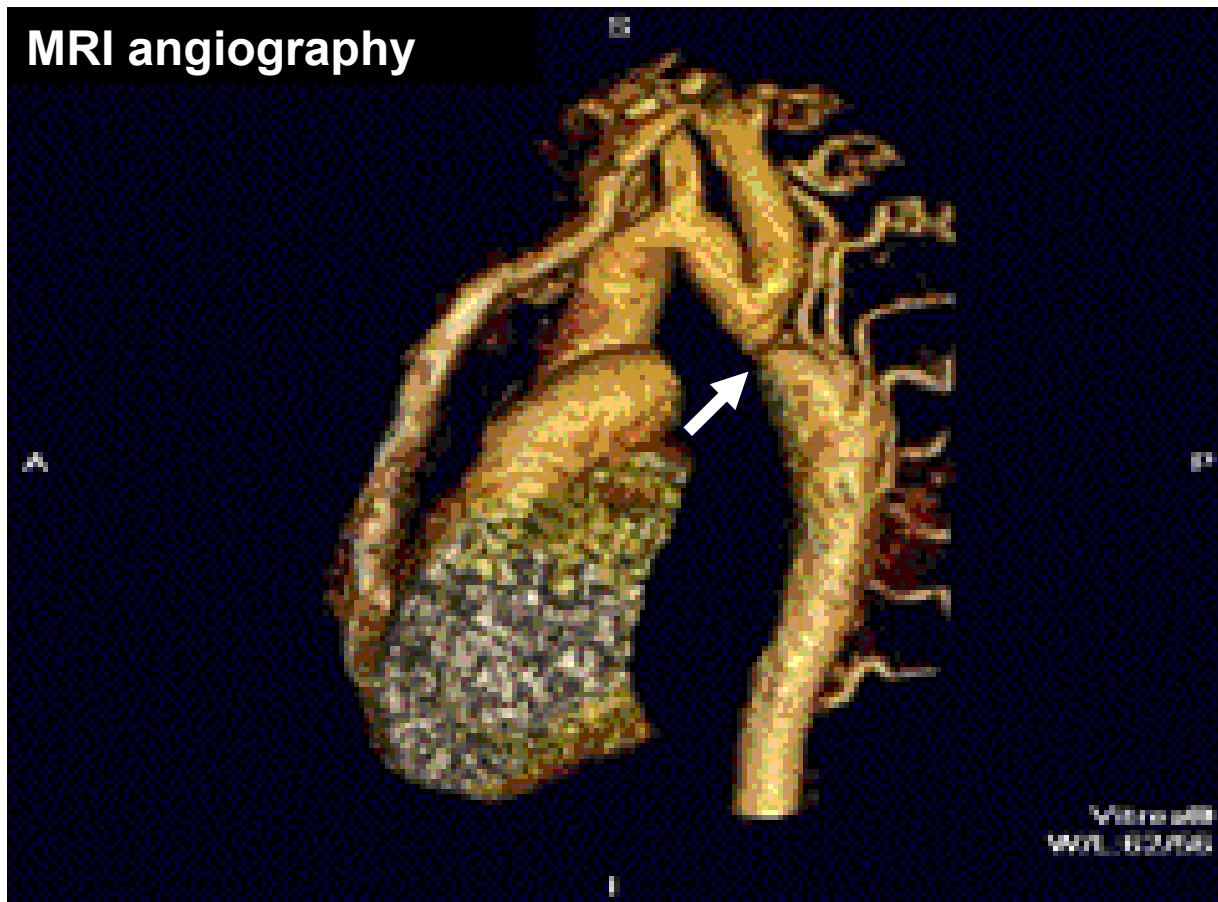
- **Obstruction defect**
- **Stenosis of the aorta below a. subclavia sin.**





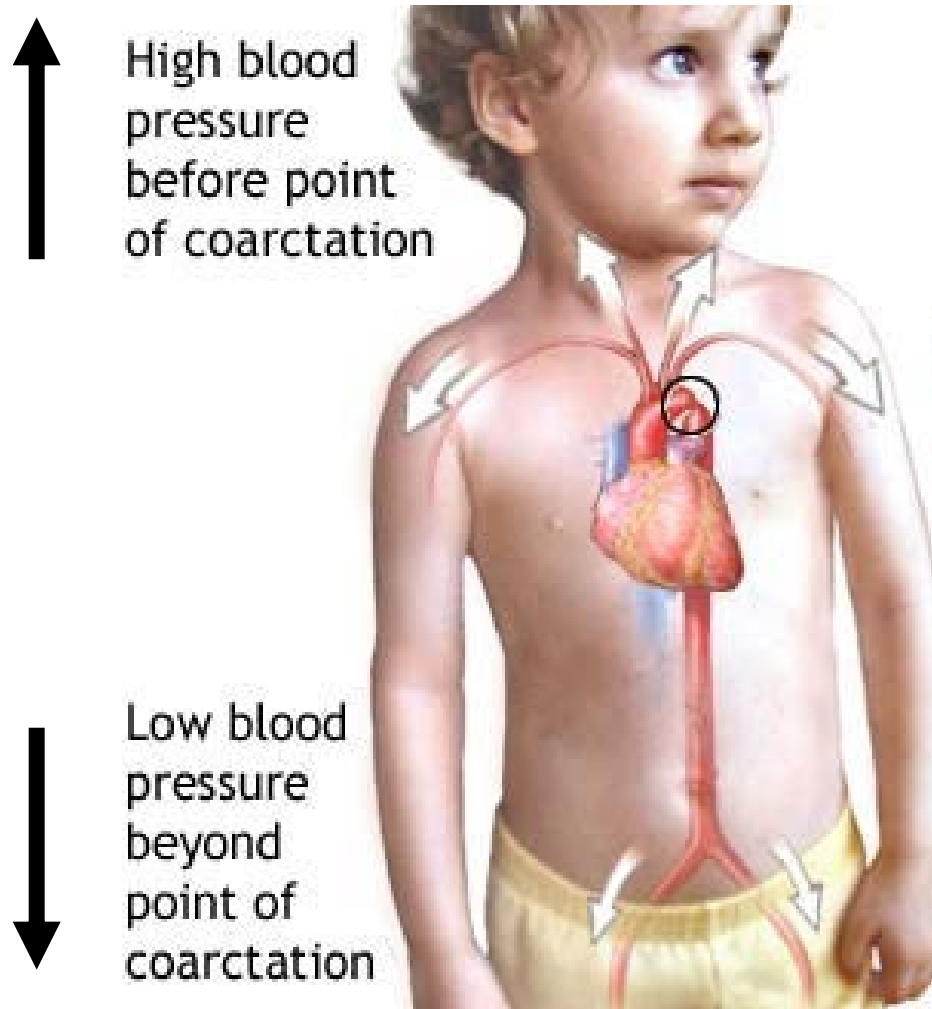
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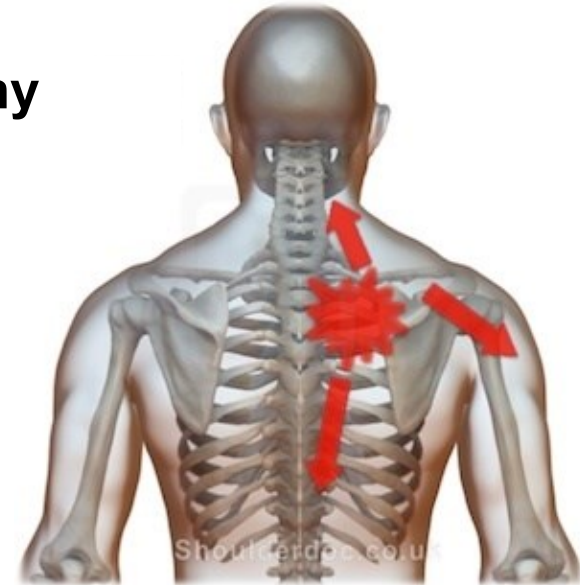
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# Coarctation of the aorta

- **Obstruction defect**
- **Stenosis of the aorta below a. subclavia sin.**
- **High pressure in upper half of body, low (or normal) pressure behind stenosis**
- **Pressure overload of the LV ... LV hypertrophy**
- **Interscapular systolic murmur**
- **Diagnosics: trans-oesophageal echo (TEE)**  
**MRI - angiography**
- **Complications: cardiac failure,**  
**infectious endocarditis,**  
**aneurysm of the brain arteries**
- **Therapy: surgery**



# Fallot tetralogy

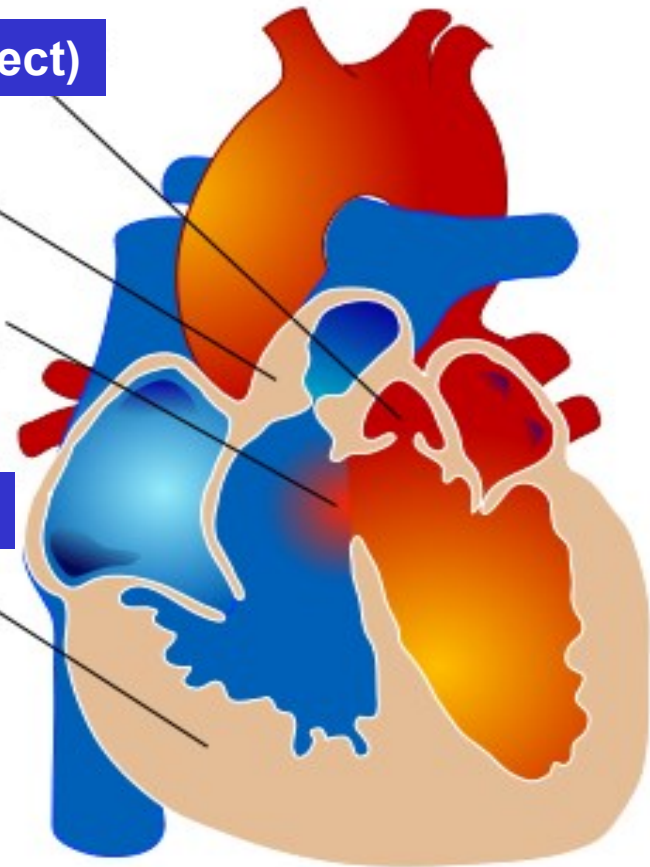
Combined obstructive and shunt defect:

Overriding aorta (at septal defect)

Pulmonary stenosis

(Subaortic) ventricular septal defect

Right ventricular hypertrophy



# Fallot tetralogy

**Right-to-left ventricular shunt**

**Low oxygenation – cyanosis, dyspnoe – early in newborns,**

**Polyglobulia**

**Complications: hypoxemia, brain ictus in children, infectious endocarditis**

**If not treated – an early death during several years**

**Systolic murmur in 2nd intercostal space on the left side**

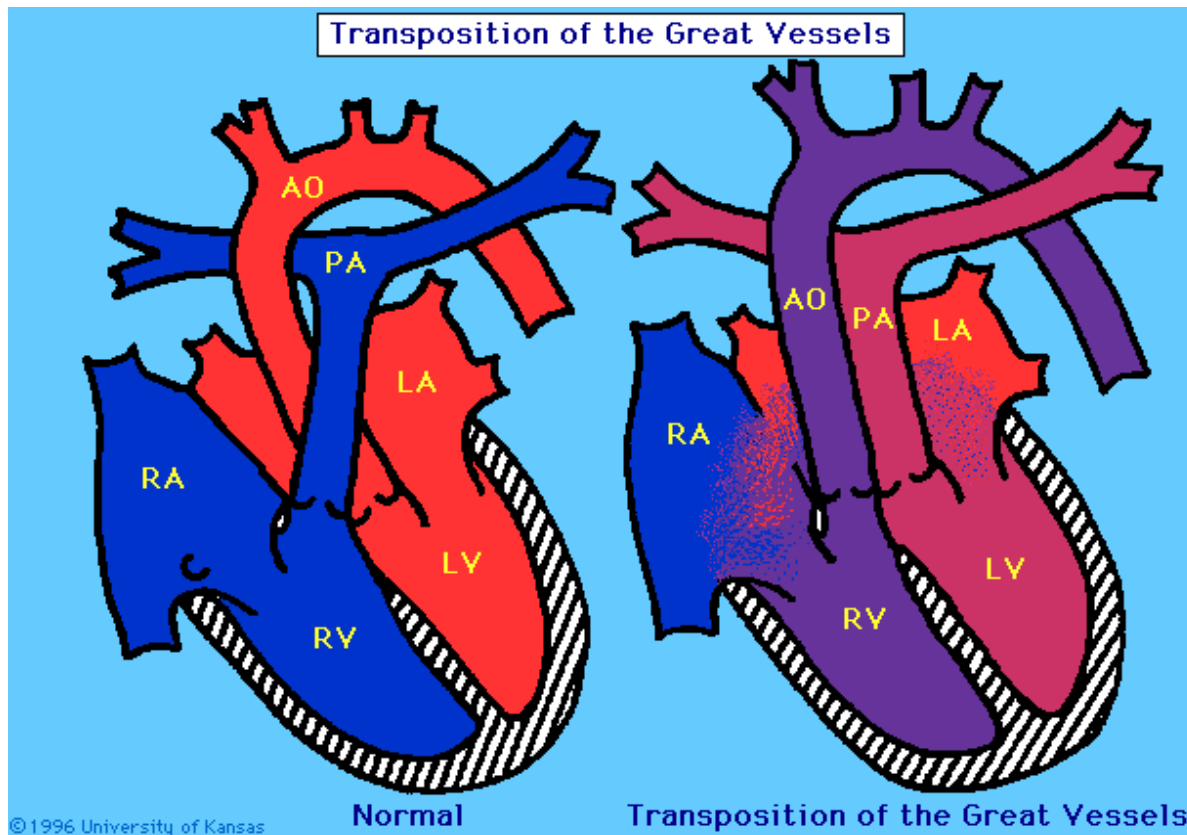
**Dg.: ECHO**

**Therapy: surgical correction**



# Transposition of the great vessels

- Dislocation defect
- Aorta leads from RV, pulmonary artery leads from LV



# Transposition of the great vessels

- Dislocation defect
- Aorta leads from RV, pulmonary artery leads from LV
- **Isolated defect is incompatible with a life. Therefore it is usually accompanied by a shunt defect (foramen ovale patens, ventricular septal defect, persistent truncus arteriosus)**
- **Risk factor: Preexisting DM in the mother (as well as for aortic coarctation)**

# Transposition of the great vessels

- **Cyanosis, dyspnoe in newborns, cardiac failure, systolic murmur in precordium**
- **Diagnostics: echo, heart catheterization**
- **Poor prognosis – the death in first weeks of a life**
- **Therapy: switch surgery**

