

## LO1 Heart Failure:

**Left Sided HF** → SxS

- dyspnea
- orthopnea
- PND
- Fatigue

### PE Findings

tachycardia  
tachypnea  
Rales (pulmonary edema)  
loud P<sub>2</sub>  
S<sub>3</sub> gallop  
S<sub>4</sub> gallop

1. LVH (aortic stenosis / HTN)
2. cardiac tamponade
3. Hypertrophic or restrictive cardiomyopathy
4. myocardial fibrosis

1. impaired contractility from CAD
2. chronic volume overload
3. DCM
4. arrhythmia

dilates every part of ⚡

Not just LV...

**Dilated Cardiomyopathy** = Ø primary valvular abnormalities or CAD  

- drugs (doxorubicin/damnorubicin) → vacuolization of myocytes
- autoimmune → auto antibodies to myosin light chain, tropomyosin, actin
- autosomal dominant mutations  $\xrightarrow{MC}$  cardiac cytoskeleton,  $\underline{TNF}$
- X-linked recessive mutations → dystrophin
- peripartum DCM → antiangiogenic mediators, ØVEGF

eccentric hypertrophy??  
low BP, poor perfusion of end organs  
Flash edema  
Not filling

Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy

**Right Sided HF** → peripheral edema → edema  
RUQ pain  
JVD  
Hepatomegaly → passive congestion = "Nutmeg Liver"

1° pulmonary dz → cor pulmonale

COPD

chronic thromboemboli  
pulmonary stenosis

Stage	ACCF/AHA Stages of HF	Class	NYHA Functional Classification
A	At high risk without structural heart disease or symptoms of HF		None
B	Structural heart disease without sign or symptoms of HF	I	Cardiac disease, but no symptoms and no limitation in ordinary physical activity
C	Structural heart disease with prior or current symptoms of HF	I	Cardiac disease, but no symptoms and no limitation in ordinary physical activity
	Structural & symptoms		
	ACE I		
II		II	Slight limitation during physical activity due to mild symptoms (fatigue, palpitation or dyspnea). can't walk @ Walmart
III		III	Significant limitation in activity due breathlessness, fatigue, or palpitation. $\frac{1}{2}$ job going to work
IV		IV	Unable to carry on any physical activity without discomfort. Bedridden. Symptoms at rest.
D	Refractory HF		

**HF Drugs:** \* HF regimen: ACE-I + Beta Blockers

decreasing amount of blood in the body by diuresing

\* **Loop Diuretics** - Furosemide, Torsemide, & Bumetanide  

- for pts w/ symptomatic overload
- careful of electrolyte abnormalities

\* NSAIDs decrease response of loop-diuretics due to ↓ RBF

\* **Thiazide Diuretics** Metolazone / HCTZ - need good renal filtration to be effective [ $\frac{SCr < 2}{GFR > 30}$ ]  

- ineffective as monotherapy in HF
- \* NSAIDs decrease response

\* **Aquaretic TOLVAPTAN** - inhibits V<sub>2</sub> receptor, ↑ H<sub>2</sub>O excretion; ↓ Edema  

- \* Rapid correction results in HYPERNATREMIA
- \* WBOT → Monitor Nat levels

DIURETIC THERAPY  
CAN DECREASE  
C.O. → WORSENS HF

TQ

\* Aldosterone antagonists: spironolactone & eplerenone

\* DECREASE MORTALITY via inhibition of collagen deposition  
s/e: Hyperkalemia

↓ A F T E R L O A D decreasing amount of force necessary to pump blood

\* ACE-I: ↓ mortality, ↓ preload AND afterload

\* ARBS: less angioedema, less cough

\*  $\beta$ -BLOCKERS: Bisoprolol, Metoprolol, carvedilol

↓ Mortality, Negative inotropy

Ø use in decompensated HF or 2°/3° HB

↓ HR = ↑ diastole

: more efficient?

\* Vasodilators:

\* Isosorbide dinitrite/hydralazine = vaso/renodilators

\* DECREASE MORTALITY in AA when used w/ ACE-I /  $\beta$ -blockers

- hydralazine → Lupus-like syndrome (SLE)

\* Sacubitril inhibits Neprilysis, ↑ ANP / BNP

- given w/ ARB (valsartan)

↳ Entresto → used in class II-IV in place of ACE/ARB

\* Digoxin inhibits Na/K ATPase: ↑  $Ca^{2+}$  intracellularly: ↓ HR, ↑ C.O., ↓ O<sub>2</sub> demand

\* HYPOKALEMIA = ↑ dig binding → causes toxicity  
"pt taking loop diuretics or  $Ca^{2+}$  supplement"

HFrEF

\* Dobutamine stimulates  $\beta_1$  >  $\beta_2$ ,  $\alpha_1$

SHORT TERM

\* WBOT  
(DAD)

\* Milrinone inhibits PDE 3 in heart = ↑ C.O.

→ ↑ cAMP, ↑  $Ca^{2+}$   
+ peripheral venous dilation = ↓ SVR & wedge pressure

④ inotropes used  
in decompensated  
HF

## L04 Clinical Heart Failure

Systolic HF: weak LV = impaired pumping

- caused by MI, chronic overload, valvular dz, DCM, arrhythmia

Diastolic HF: impaired filling

- caused by LVH, HCM, restrictive cardiomyopathy, fibrosis, tamponade

→ know what it looks like on EKG → also Afib

\* LEFT-sided HF:

- Sx: fatigue, palpitations/tachycardia, pulmonary edema → SOB, weight gain

- PE:  $S_3$  = systolic failure

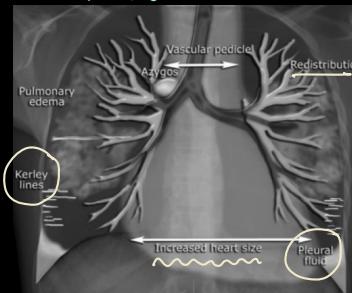
$S_4$  = diastolic failure

Rales + abnormal CXR →

- redistribution of vasculature

- Kerley B lines

- pleural fluid



Use:

- "Go to drug in Hypertension" \*
- Ineffective as mono therapy in HF
- Administered with Loop Diuretics in patients who do not achieve adequate diuresis

Electrolyte disturbances

- Hypokalemia
- Hyponatremia
- Hypercalcemia
- Hyperuricemia (may result in Gout) \*
- Hyperglycemia
- Contraction alkalosis

Adverse Effects:

- Use only in patients with Scr < 2mg/dL or GFR > 30mL/min
- NSAIDs can decrease the response to thiazide-diuretics due to decreased RBF

Diuretic therapy must be used judiciously because over diuresis can result in ↓ CO, renal perfusion, and symptoms of volume depletion

can worsen HF

THAZIDES

TQ

## \* RIGHT-sided HF:

- sxs: fatigue, palpitations/tachycardia, vascular congestion → Peripheral edema
  - PE: peripheral edema, hepatomegaly
- Pitting edema @ lowest point  
aka hips for bedridden lady

JVD, weight gain,  
frequent urination

## HEART FAILURE LABS:

WBOT

- \* BNP: secreted when ventricles stretch
  - \* if <100 pg/mL → HF can be ruled out
  - \* if pt Hx of HF baseline is 400:
    - if they have BNP of 200 → pneumonia
    - if they have BNP of 400 → HF exacerbation

## LABS

- |      |  |  |
|------|--|--|
| WBOT | * B-type Natriuretic Peptide (BNP) or N-terminal proBNP (NT-proBNP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Secreted when "ventricles stretch"</li> <li>Normal Value: less than 100 pg/mL</li> <li>If less than 100 pg/mL, Heart Failure can be virtually excluded</li> <li>Check a level on your patient when they are not actively with edema or in exacerbation. This will help when deciding future treatment.</li> </ul> | <100 pg/mL<br>* guaranteed<br>HF!<br>probs pneumonia                               |
|      | * Complete Blood Count (CBC)   | if hx of HF, baseline maybe 400  |
|      | * Comprehensive Metabolic Panel (CMP)  | If may come in W/L value of 200, prob pneumonia, if 400 its prob a HF exacerbation |
|      | * Thyroid Function can contribute  |  |
|      | * Cardiac Enzymes  | MI can contribute  |

## HF DRUGS:

- \* ACE-1/ARBs ↓ mortality

WBOT

- \* COMPLETE CONTRAINDICATION IN PREGNANCY
  - document counseling in fertile females

- \* Beta-blockers ↓ mortality

\* avoid in diabetics (masks hypoglycemia), decompensated HF, & asthmatic pts / COPD

- \* Peripartum cardiomyopathy → Metoprolol

## STAGING

- ECG, echo, ANP/BNP levels, CXR, stress test

### Stage A: high risk but Ø structural abnormalities & Ø sxs

- lifestyle changes
- tx @risk conditions

### Stage B: structural heart dz but Ø sxs

- modify risk factors
- ACE-1/ARBs / β-Blockers
- NO CCB! Ø VD

### Stage C: structural heart dz w/ current or previous sxs

- control sxs
- ACE-1/ARB + β-blocker + aldosterone antagonist
- maybe add'l meds or ICD

### Stage D: refractory HF - likely bedridden

- decrease sxs, end of life care, etc.

NEW YORK HEART ASSOCIATION FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION (symptoms)	
Class I	Normal
- Rest: No symptoms	(You can run)
- Activity: No symptoms (You can run)	(TQ)
Class II	
- Rest: No symptoms	
- Activity: Mild symptoms with activity (You can walk)	(W)
Class III	
- Rest: No symptoms	
- Activity: Significant symptoms with activity (You can stand)	(S)
Class IV	trouble going grocery shopping
- Rest: Symptoms present at rest	(X)
- Activity: Severe symptoms with activity (You can lay)	(L) @ rest

## \* Decompensated HF: significant SDB, swollen potato, $\text{SpO}_2$ 80% → HOSPITAL

- caused by acute event like thromboembolism, valvular dysfxn, MI

TX: Dobutamine

vasodilators

loop diuretics

## \* Pacemaker placement if EF < 35% & LBBB → restore synchrony

## \* ICD → prevents sudden cardiac death from VTach/Vfib

→ MI > 40 days ago, EF < 30%, or risk of arrhythmia

# L05 Cardiomyopathy

beta-myosin  
heavy chain

- \* Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy (HCM) = autosomal DOMINANT changes in sarcomere MYH1
  - can't fill → sudden death, syncope, CP on exertion
  - \* Normal PE or ST + systolic cresc./decreas. murmur @ LLSB
  - \* Dx w/ ECHO showing thick septum
  - \* on EKG - could be normal
    - dagger Q waves \*
    - WPW
    - AFib
  - \* Tx: Beta Blockers, maybe ICD  
NO physical activity (sports)

## \* Dilated Cardiomyopathy (DCM) = ALL FOUR CHAMBERS

### \* Genetic

- \* A. Dominant (MC) - multiple genes for:
  - cardiac cytoskeleton, myofibrillar & nuc. membrane protein
- \* X-linked recessive - dystrophin gene
- \* Pregnancy
- \* Alcohol - bivent. dilation; >90g daily ≥ 5 years
- Viral (COXB)
- \* autoimmune - ab against tropomyosin, MLC, & actin
- \* drugs (doxorubicin) - cancer patient

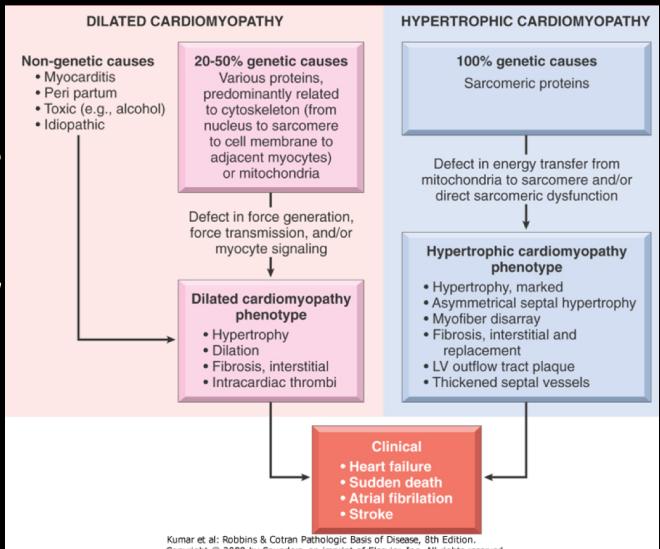
SxS: SOB, edema, fatigue

Dx: Hx/PE + ECHO (biopsy if needed)

Tx: ↓NaCl, Diuretics + ACE-1/ARBs + B blockers

(TQ) \* Pt presents 38wk gestation, SOB, SpO<sub>2</sub> 80%, edema, CXR shows cardiomegaly, EKG shows AFib  
→ GIVE HER METOPROLOL \*

An inheritable autosomal dominant disease of the heart that is characterized by marked hypertrophy of the myocardium with myofibril disarray and small left ventricular cavity with or without ventricular outflow obstruction.

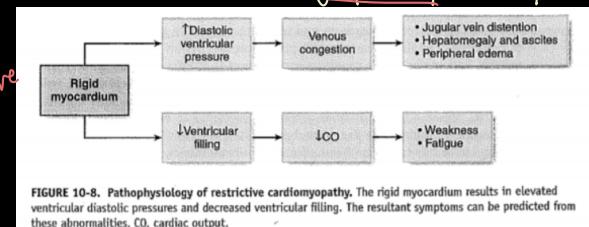


## \* Tachycardia induced cardiomyopathy → Length of time > rate

## \* Stress-induced cardiomyopathy (Takotsubo) = APICAL BALLOONING

- due to catecholamine surge

## \* Restrictive cardiomyopathy (HFrEF) = amyloidosis, sarcoidosis, etc.



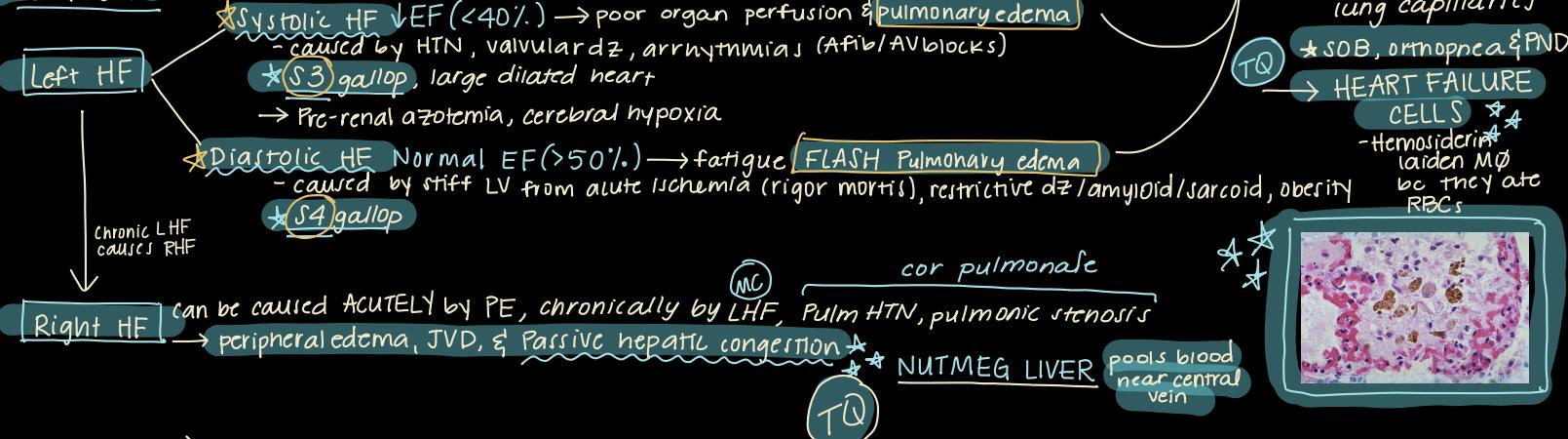
→ characterized by:

- Kussmaul's sign: JVD worse w/ inspiration
- ↓CO.
- L & RV affected → livent. failure

caution!  
looks  
similar  
to constrictive

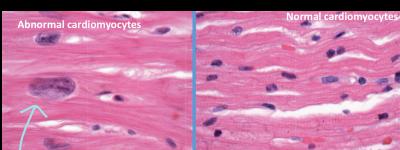
# PATHOLOGY

## L01 CHF



→ compensatory mechanisms:

- ① Frank Starling: ↑ volume  $\rightarrow$  stretch & contractility to TSV  $\rightarrow$  decompensates eventually
- ② Ventricular remodeling: cardiomyocyte hypertrophy w/ or w/o dilation
  - \* INITIALLY ENHANCES FUNCTION  $\star$   $\rightarrow$  ultimately contributes to failure
  - $\rightarrow$  ↑ myocyte size w/o ↑ blood supply  $\rightarrow$  Prone to ischemia!  $\uparrow O_2$  demand



Hypertrophy  
 $\rightarrow$  BOXCAR  
NUCLEI  
TDNA ploidy from  
replication in  
absence of cell  
division

- ① Eccentric hypertrophy - dilation due to volume overload

- chronic aortic or mitral regurg
- sarcomeres in SERIES, decreases diastolic tension

- ② Concentric hypertrophy - Ø dilation, hypertrophy due to pressure overload

- chronic HTN, aortic stenosis
- sarcomeres in PARALLEL, decreases systolic wall tension

- ③ Neurohumoral stimulation in response to VCD

- Norepi tries to ↑ HR in effort to ↑ blood flow
- RAAS tries to reabsorb  $Na^+ / H_2O$  to ↑ EABV
- ADH
- Endothelin vasoconstricts to try to ↑ perfusion

\* ANP/BNP increase in response to stretched chambers  $\rightarrow$  Natriuresis

actually  
helpful

## L02 cardiomyopathy

- MC \* Dilated Cardiomyopathy: Large heart w/ dilation of ALL FOUR CHAMBERS  $\rightarrow$  death by thromboemboli, arrhythmias, & heart failure

\* Ø primary valvular dz or CAD

- Genetic: ① Autosomal dominant - cardiac cytoskeleton, nuc. membrane  $\rightarrow$  TN
 

- \* ② X-linked dystrophin mutation

- Autoimmune: antibodies to myosin light chain, tropomyosin, actin  $\rightarrow$  triggered by COXB?

- Alcoholic: dx of exclusion  $> 90g / day$  for 5 yrs  $\rightarrow$  thiamine deficiency = Wernicke-Weber

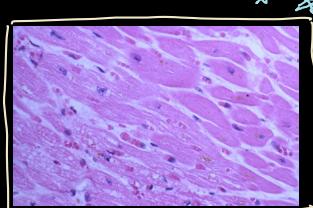
- Drugs: ANTHRACYCLINE DRUGS = doxorubicin & daunorubicin = chemo drug
 

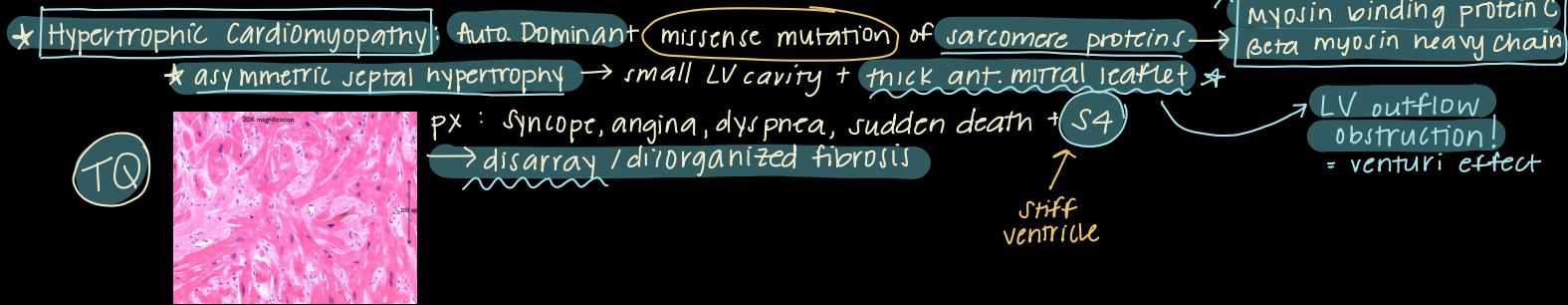
- $\rightarrow$  peroxidation of lipids  $\rightarrow$  vacuolization of cardiomyocytes

- Peripartum: ↑ in African-Americans, late in pregnancy or 5 mos after
 

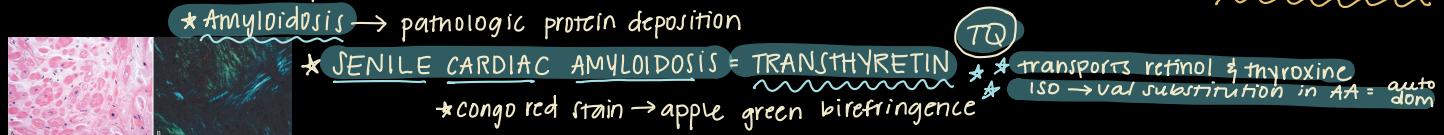
- $\rightarrow$  antiangiogenic mediators cause DCM ( $\emptyset$  VEGF)

DING  
DING





**Restrictive cardiomyopathy:** R & L ventricles affected → signs of (R) & (L) heart failure, Kussmaul sign (+)



\* Sarcoidosis → NONcaseating granulomas (lung, lymph nodes, skin, eyes)

- GIANT cells, Schaumann's bodies

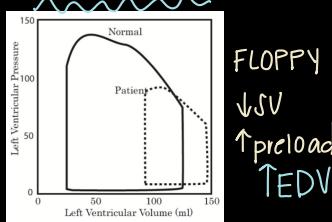


**LOW SHOCK** = inadequate tissue perfusion relative to metabolic demand

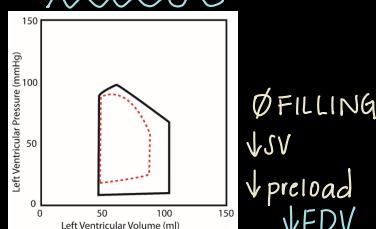
**Heart Failure** is caused by:

- ① contractile defects → MI, SLE, toxins
- ② overload → regurgitation, stenosis, HTN, thyrotoxicosis
- ③ impaired filling → mitral stenosis, pericarditis, infiltrative dz

### SYSTOLIC HF



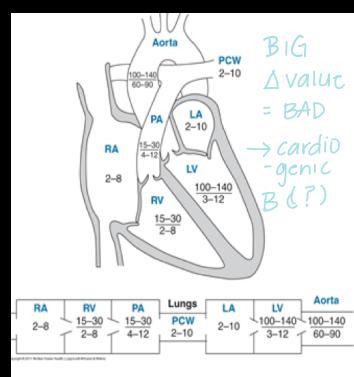
### DIASTOLIC HF



	Types of Shock inadequate perfusion
①	Hypovolemic shock (decreased circulating blood volume) Hemorrhage Trauma Surgery Burns - fluid going into tissue, not in vessels Fluid loss (vomiting or diarrhea) - or sweating
②	Distributive shock (marked vasodilation) some tissue get adequate blood * Fainting (neurogenic shock) * Anaphylaxis ↓ BP * Sepsis (also hypovolemic due to increased capillary permeability) Septic shock
③	Cardiogenic heart isn't pumping blood [ Myocardial infarction Congestive heart failure ] within heart itself Arrhythmias
④	Obstructive shock (obstruction of blood flow) Tension pneumothorax torquing of vessels Pulmonary embolism Cardiac tumor Pericardial tamponade ↓ preload

**Cardiogenic shock:** commonly assoc. w/ HF / loss of LV contractility

sxs resemble hypovolemia but preload is INCREASED → JVD, HJ reflux, pulmonary edema  
→ LACTIC ACIDOSIS, cold clammy skin, rapid pulse



**Extrathoracic/obstructive shock:** ① impaired diastolic filling ② ↑ afterload

= tamponade, tension pneumo, pericarditis → physically obstructing

**Hypovolemic shock:** muddy brown casts

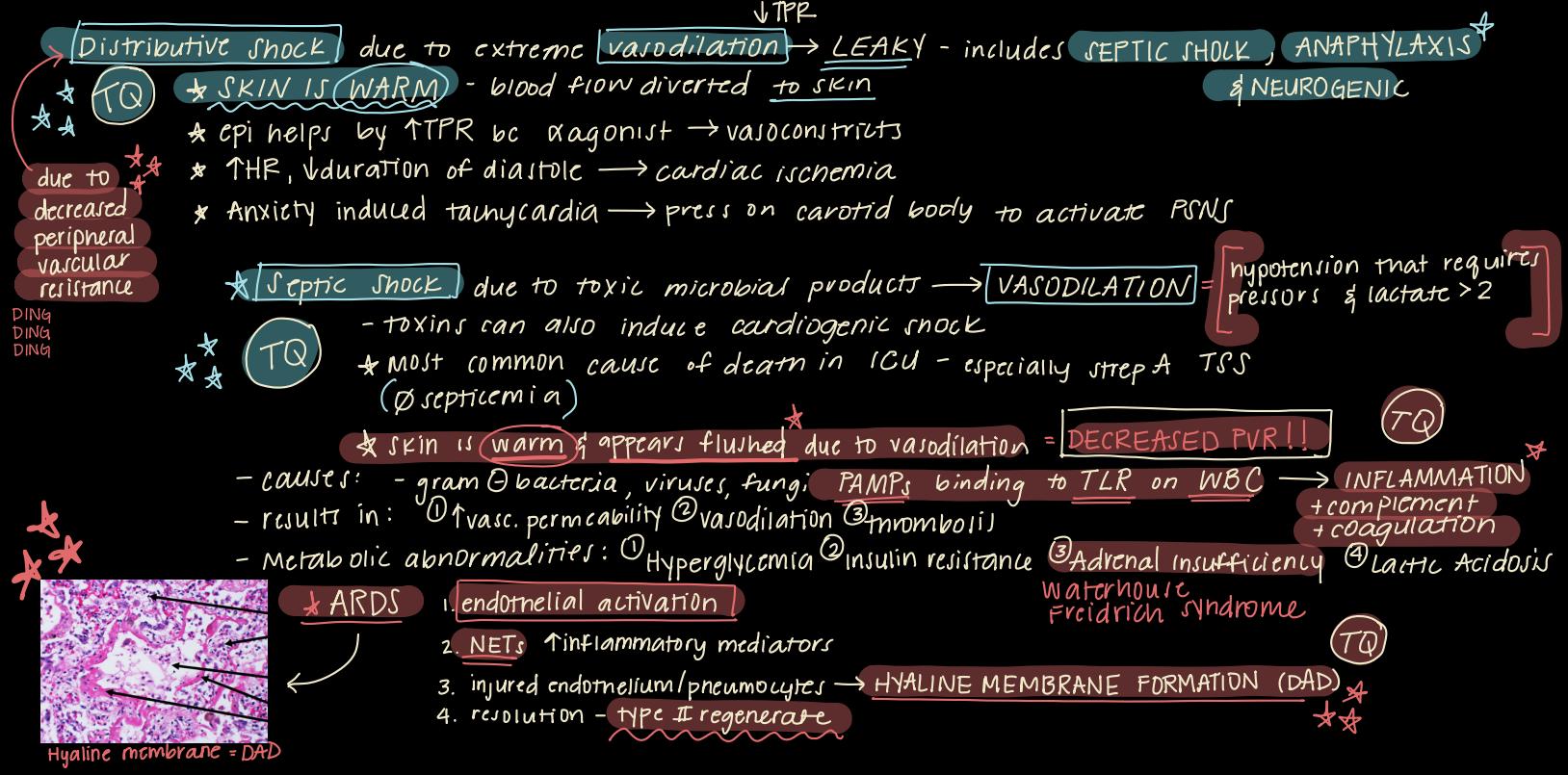
↓ preload, ↓ RBF & GFR → prerenal AKI → ATN + azotemia & oliguria

→ LACTIC ACIDOSIS, cold clammy skin, rapid pulse

↑ sign of organ damage!

\* severity associated w/ magnitude of IQRs and RATE

\* AFTER 2 HR - MAY BE IRREVERSIBLE



★ **DIC** = fibrinolysis + coagulation → infarct adrenals = Waterhouse Friderich syndrome  
→ **BLEEDING!**

★ **Anaphylactic shock** type I hypersensitivity rxn

Set up: naive  $T_H \rightarrow T_H 2$  [① immediate rxn (5-30min) vasodilation, sm. muscle spasm, glandular secretion,  
② late phase (2-24 hrs later) = destruction of mucosal epithelium [EOXINOPHILS]]

preformed Histamine & Leukotrienes

## LOT Path of shock

Stages of shock:

① **Initial nonprogressive stage:** trying to compensate

- Neurohumoral mechanisms ★ **FIRST THING**

px: tachycardia, peripheral vasoconstriction

★ perfusion to organs MAINTAINED

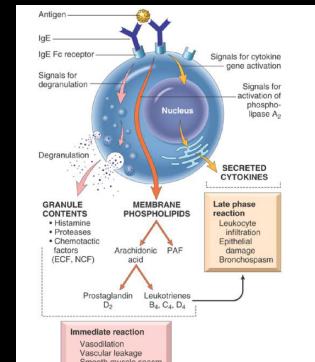
② **Progressive stage:**

- tissue hypoxia → **Lactic acidosis**

- endothelial anoxic damage → **DIC**

③ **Irreversible stage:**

- widespread, ↓ contractile fx of heart, bowel ischemia



Difference in septic versus low cardiac output shock etiology

• In **septic shock** (normal or high cardiac output state), the **inflammatory cascade** induced by microbes is the **initiating event** causing shock with decreased peripheral vascular resistance.

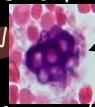
• In **low cardiac output shock** (hypovolemia, cardiogenic, etc.), an **inflammatory cascade/DIC** may occur but this is an **end stage result** due to tissue damage from ischemia caused by the shock state.

★ **TQ**

## LO9 Path: Heart & Systemic Dz

\* Lupus: antibodies to dsDNA & Sm antigen

- Pericarditis → serous, fibrinous, or serofibrinous - pleuritic chest pain, friction rub (fibrinous)
- Myocarditis → immune complex deposition in & around blood vessels → inflammatory rxn + complement
  - ★ Lymphocytic infiltrate + hematoxylin bodies
- Valvulitis →
  - ★ Libman Sacks → fibrinoid necrosis of mitral & tricuspid on BOTH SIDES
  - antiphospholipid syndrome → thrombotic lesions



(TQ)

- congenital HB in neonatal lupus

★ autoantibodies passively cross placenta

(TQ) → irreversible damage to fetal conduction system



★ Heart Block in Utero

\* Thyroid Disease → T<sub>3</sub> → VSVR, ↑HR, ↑contractility, ↑BV

- Hyperthyroidism

- New onset AFib, LVH, exercise intolerance

★ Hypertrophy

- Hypothyroidism

- bradycardia, diastolic HTN, atherosclerosis, CAD

★ flabby, enlarged, dilated

★ myofiber swelling, interstitial mucopolysaccharide deposition

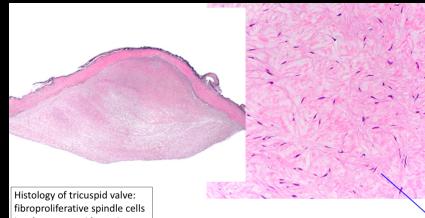
★ MYXEDEMA HEART

\* Carcinoid Heart Disease → Neuroendocrine tumor releases serotonin

★ tumor in GI w/ metastasis to liver OR Lung tumor = CARCINOID SYNDROME

Phen-phen  
ergot drugs

★ plaque-like thickening of right-sided heart valves → TRICUSPID INSUFFICIENCY



acid mucopolysaccharide

\* Catecholamine toxicity

★ Acute = contraction band necrosis

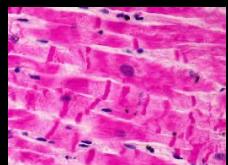
- direct myocardial toxicity, hypoxia (↑O<sub>2</sub> demand)

★ Chronic = fibroblasts activated via β<sub>2</sub> adrenergic stimulation

Ex: Takotsubo - APICAL ballooning

Cocaine - inhibits reuptake of catecholamines

★ you don't need to DD to DIC from cocaine → ischemic heart damage



## L10/11 Pulmonary HTN

- Class I **doin' fine can run**  
• No limitation with functional activity

### Class II

- Comfortable at rest but has slight limitation with activity  
• Shopping, climbing stairs, or making the bed

### Class III

- Comfortable at rest but has significant limitation with activity  
• Activities of daily living such as dressing, bathing, toileting, or transfers.

### Class IV

- Symptoms at rest Signs and symptoms suggestive of right sided congestive heart failure.

**can lay**

**can stand**  
**ADLs affected**

**can walk**

\* Mechanism of pulmonary HTN

= ↑ pulmonary vascular resistance

\* Ortner's syndrome - damage to left recurrent laryngeal nerve  
→ Hoarseness

\* loud, wide split S2 + tricuspid regurgitation

\* look for sleep apnea \*

\* CBC - check ↑ Hb due to hypoxia

\* ECG findings **RBBB**, **Right axis deviation**,

**peaked p-waves**

\* PFT normal but ↓ DLCO

\* Big pulmonary artery on CT

\* Dx: Right Heart Cath > 25 mmHg \*

\* ↓ mean pulmonary artery pressure

↓ 10 mmHg

PAP ↓ by 40 mmHg

∅ Δ in C.O.

Nifedipine \*  
or diltiazem

\* cGMP PDE5 inhibitors (-afil)

= Group 1A PAH

\* guanylate cyclase stimulator

= Group 4

\* Prostacyclins

= Group 4

\* DO NOT USE VASODILATORS

IN GROUP 2 or 3 \*

## PATHOLOGY

\* Endothelial injury/dysfunction  
→ pulmonary vasoconstriction  
→ thrombosis  
→ ↑ ECM = ↑ wall thickness

### Group 1:

\* Familial form = **BMPR2 gene mutation**  
inhibits apoptosis

\* **Schistosomiasis**

→ Granulomatous vasculitis \*

\* connective tissue dz

→ Cause of death = decompensated right heart failure

### Group 2:

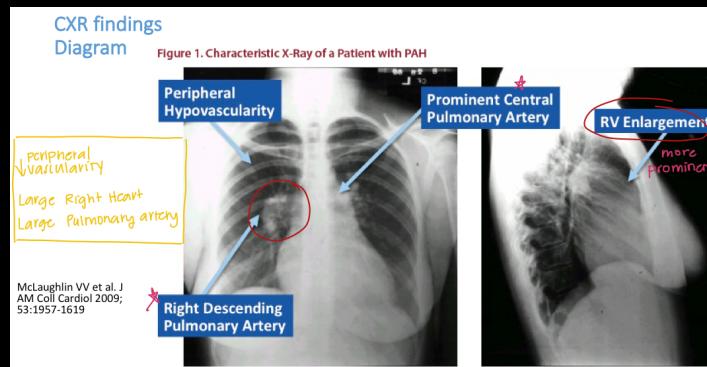
\* Left Heart Disease

### Group 3:

\* lung dz / Hypoxia → COPD

### Group 4:

\* chronic thromboembolic

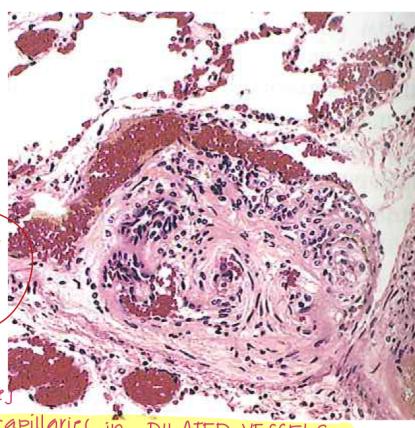


Plexiform lesion in pulmonary hypertension.

### IRREVERSIBLE

Per Robbins, "tuft of capillary formations producing a network or web that spans the lumens of dilated thin-walled, small arteries and may extend outside the vessel"

-most common in idiopathic, familial, unrepaired congenital heart disease, PH associated with HIV and drugs.



- Hydralazine - Drug induced lupus
    - + Isosorbide nitrate → AA. on ACEI +  $\beta$  blockers
  - Aldosterone antagonists : attenuate fibrosis & remodeling
    - $\uparrow K^+$
  - Ivabradine : EF < 35% but HR > 70 → causes Afib
- Milrinone : chronically on  $\beta$ -blocker
    - know when to use milrinone vs dobutamine
      - both decompensated
  - Sacubitril / Valsartan
  - cyanide tox w/ Nitro
  - diuretics failing - add thiamide