

Ischemic Heart Disease

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Learning Objectives:

1. **Describe** definition of Ischemic heart disease [IHD].
2. **List** Risk Factors of Ischemic Heart Disease [IHD].
3. **Describe** Etiology of Coronary Artery Disease .
4. **List** Factors Role Relation to IHD Pathogenesis.
5. **Outline** Types, Clinical Features, complications, Investigations, Management of Angina Pectoris And Myocardial Infarction.

□ Description of Condition:

- Inadequate supply to myocardium
- Imbalance → between blood + oxygen supply to myocardium and myocardial demand
- Main cause of Majority of Ischemic Heart Disease (IHD) → due to a Reduction of coronary blood → because=obstructive Atherosclerosis of Coronary Artery

Thus:

Ischemic Heart Disease (IHD)

Also frequently known → → → as:

Coronary Artery Disease (CAD)

Ischemic Heart Disease (IHD)=

Including 5 Conditions

- 1) Angina pectoris (chest pain) = Stable & Unstable**
- 2) Myocardial infarction**
- 3) Arrhythmia**
- 4) Heart failure = after Chronic ischemic heart disease**
- 5) Sudden Cardiac Death**

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Pathogenesis:

1) Critical stenosis or obstruction (>75%) of coronary arteries lumen.

2) Acute Plaque Changes:

A. Rupture of plaque inside the lumen.

B. Hemorrhage inside the plaque.

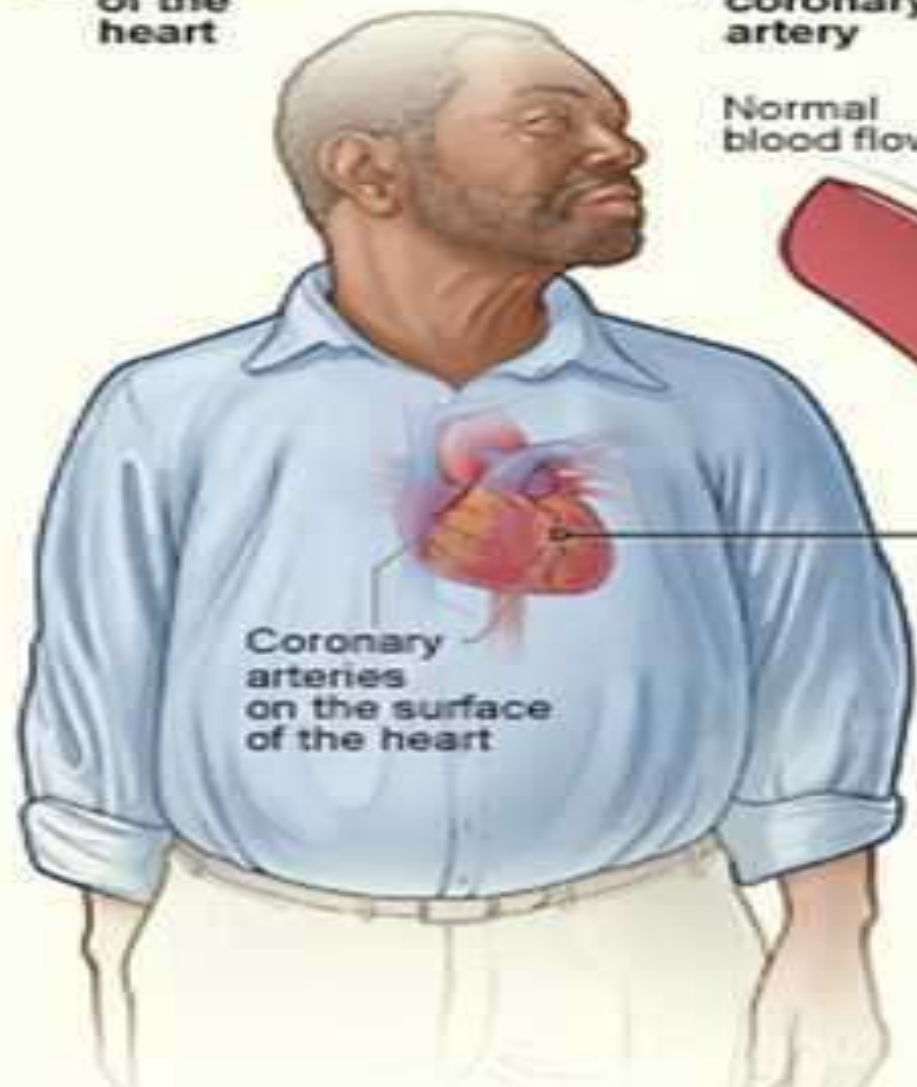
→ → → Reduces lumen size → → →

3. Coronary thrombosis: → Thrombosis on [partially stenosis] of coronary arteries lumen

→ IF → → → complete luminal obstruction → acute myocardial infarction.

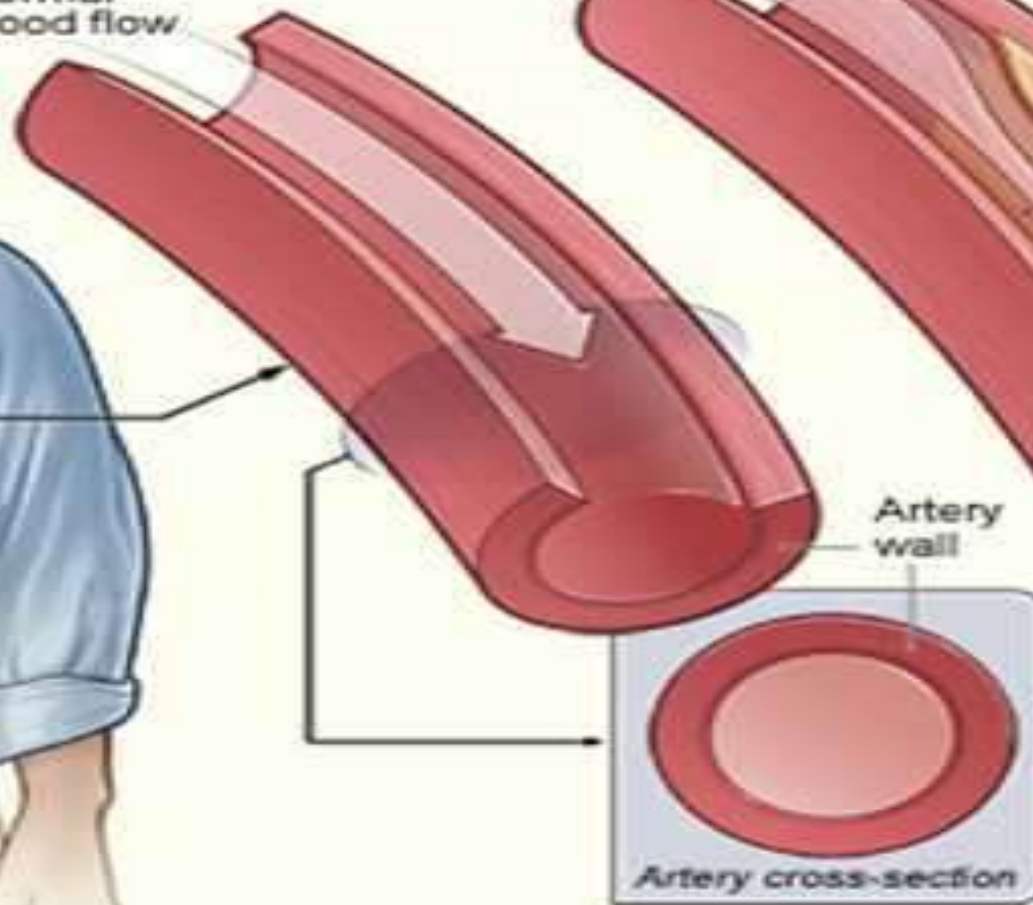
→ IF → → → Incomplete luminal obstruction → acute sub-endocardial infarction + unstable angina

A Location of the heart

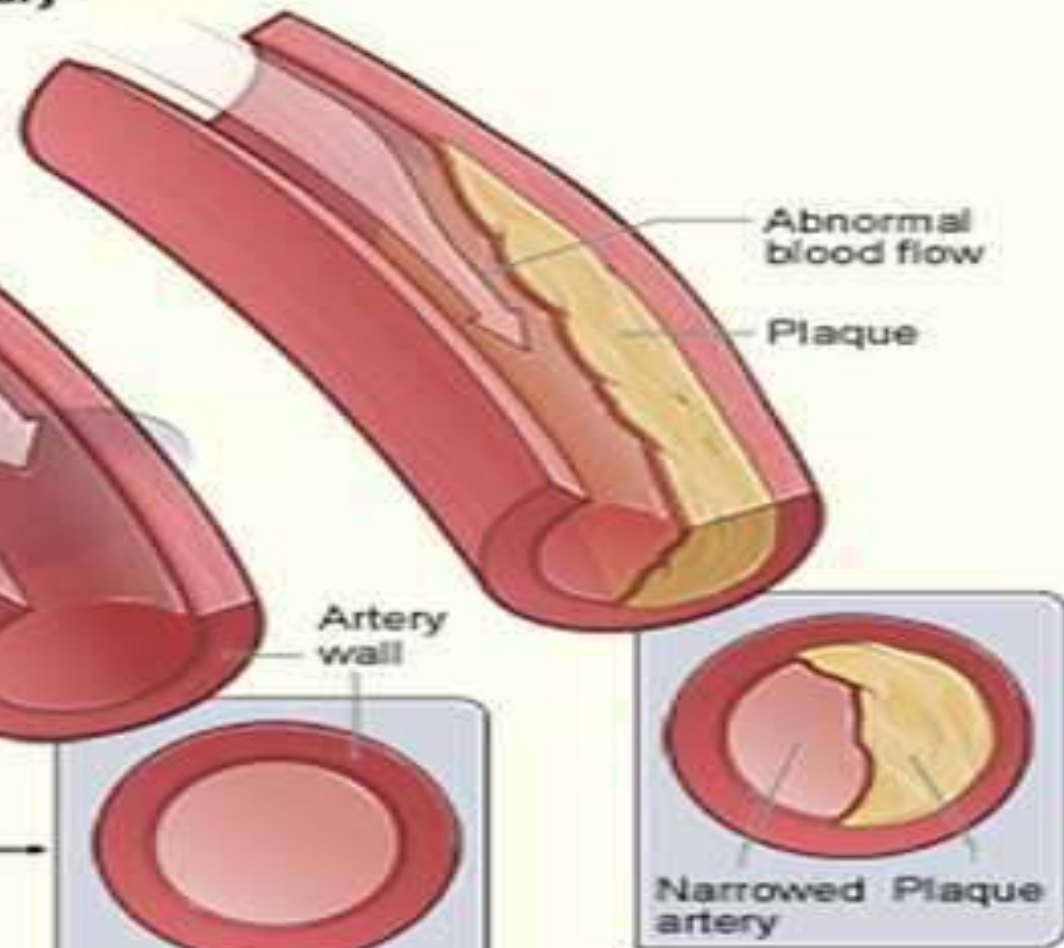


B Normal coronary artery

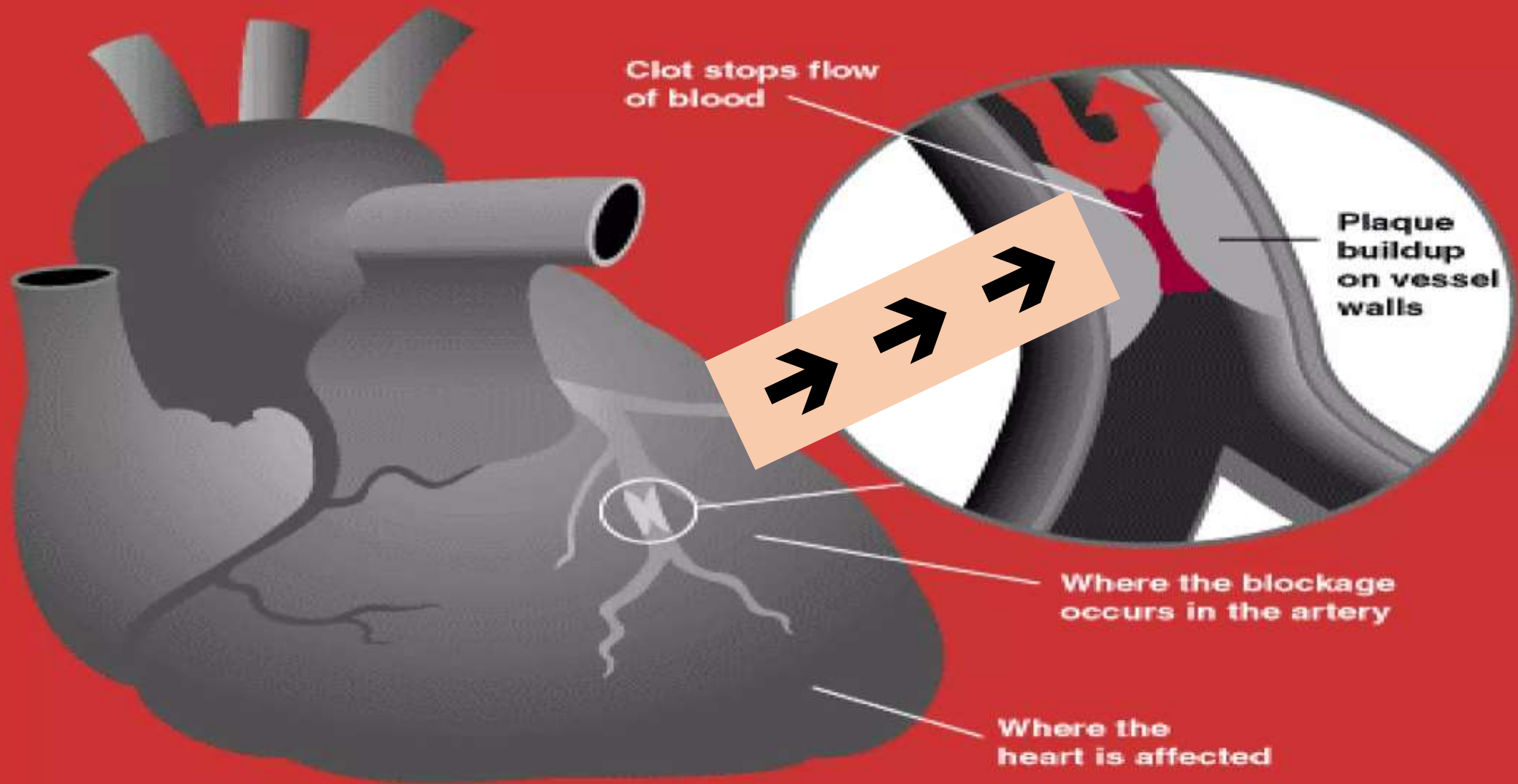
Normal blood flow



C Narrowing of coronary artery



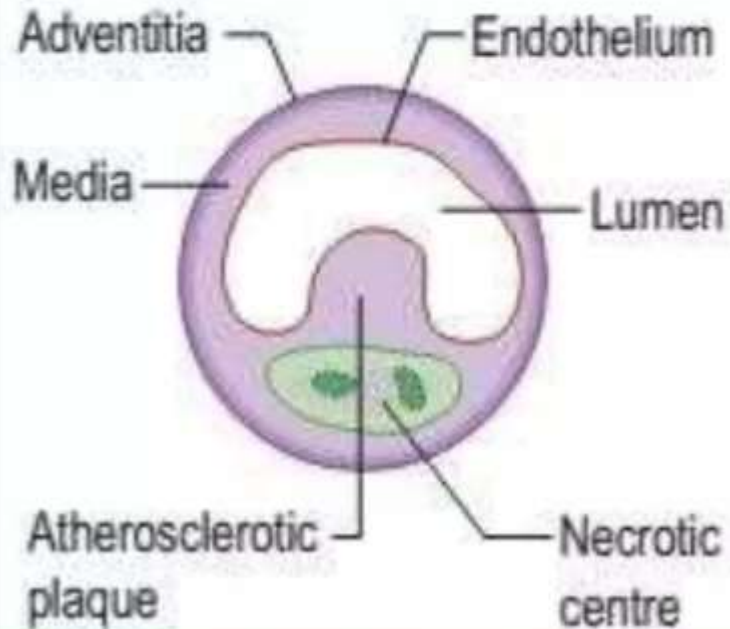
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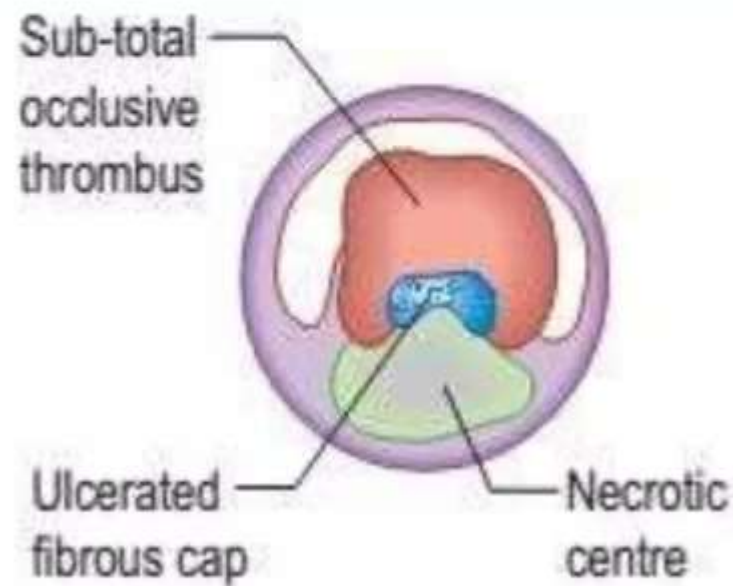
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Advanced Atherosclerosis

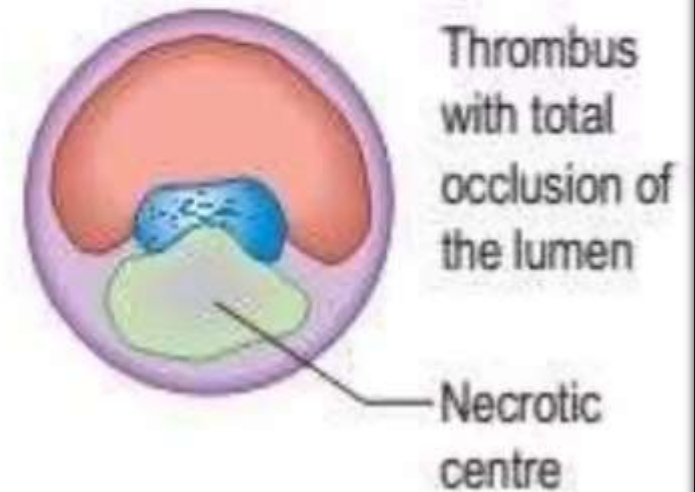
a Stable angina pectoris



b Unstable angina pectoris



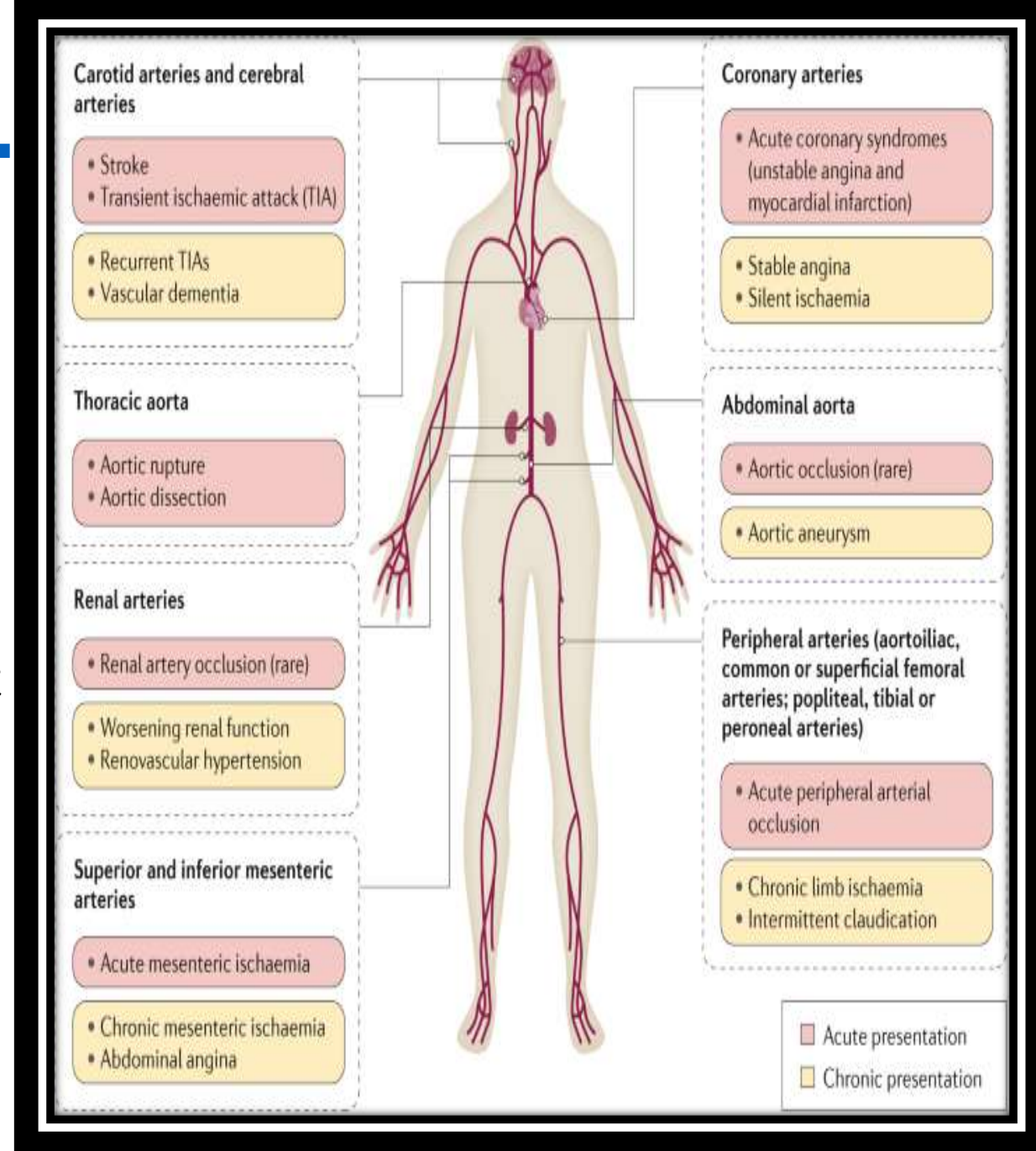
c Myocardial infarction



Atherosclerosis:

Can affect any artery in the body:

- 1) • Heart → Angina → MI → Sudden Death
- 2) • Brain → Transient Ischemic Attack[TIA] → Stroke
- 3) • Limbs → Claudication and Critical Limb Ischemia.



Risk factors of Ischemic Heart Disease:

= similar to Risk factors of Atherosclerosis:

Absolute Risk =

1) Peak Age incidence=

60y for Men and 70y for women.

2) Sex incidence=

Men > women.

3) Positive family history

= Runs in families =

Because they shared :

genetic+ environmental + lifestyle

Relative Risk =

1) Hypertension.

2) Diabetes mellitus.

3) Smoking.

4) High Lipids+ Other dietary factors

5) Platelet activation and high fibrinogen

6) Lack of Physical activity/ exercise.

7) Obesity.

8) Alcohol

9) Stress.

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What is **Angina?**

Symptoms

Causes

Treatment



Angina Pectoris



Angina Pectoris

* Definition:

Recurrent Paroxysmal Attacks

of Various Sub-Sternal Chest Discomfort feelings

- ☐ **Constricting** يمرده
- ☐ **Crushing** يسحقه
- ☐ **Squeezing** يعصره
- ☐ **Choking** يخنقه
- ☐ **Knife-like** يذبحه بالسكين
- ☐ (referred pain) = May radiate to:
the left arm or to the left jaw



* Cause:



Myocardial Blood Flow

Myocardial O₂ Demands



Severe Chest pain



Transient inadequate myocardial perfusion

(=last for 15 seconds to 15 minutes) → i.e. duration and severity not sufficient for → myocardial infarction.

Angina Pectoris

Location of chest pain during angina or heart attack



Upper chest



**Substernal
radiating to
neck and jaw**



**Substernal
radiating
down left arm**



**Substernal
radiating
down left arm**



**Epigastric
radiating to
neck, jaw,
and arms**



**Neck and
Jaw**



**Left shoulder
and down
both arms**



Intrascapular

Angina Pectoris:

Precipitating Factors

1– Common Activities:

- **Physical exertion**
- **Cold exposure**
- **Heavy meals**
- **Intense emotions**
- **Sexual activity**

2– Uncommon Activities:

- **Lying flat (decubital angina)**
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- **Vivid dreams (nocturnal angina)**
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4 Patterns of Angina Pectoris:

1) Stable Angina [SA]:

→ (more common)

→ **Attacks by trigger** (= stress or exercise)

→ **stop by resting.**

2) Unstable Angina [UA] = Acute Coronary Syndrome [ACS]:

→ (more serious)

→ **unpredictable attacks**

→ **(NO trigger)**

→ **Attacks continued even after resting.**

3) Variant Angina [VA] = Prinzmetal's Angina:

→ **NO trigger**

→ **due to coronary artery spasm**

→ **almost occurs → between midnight and early morning.**

4) Refractory Angina [RA]:

→ **when revascularization of Severe Coronary Disease not achieved by medical therapy.**

Chronic
Stable Angina
(fixed stenosis)

*Demand
Ischemia*

Unstable
Angina
(thrombus)

*Supply
Ischemia*

Prinzmetal's
Variant Angina
(vasospasm)

*Supply
Ischemia*

DIFFERENCE B/W STABLE & UNSTABLE ANGINA

STABLE ANGINA

- Due to fixed stenosis
- Demand-led ischemia
- Related to effort
- Symptoms over long term

UNSTABLE ANGINA

- Due to dynamic stenosis
- Supply-led ischemia
- Symptoms at rest
- Symptoms over short term

Clinical examination of Stable Angina

- **History**= The most important diagnostic factor is the description of pain

- **Physical examination**=

- ***Careful Search for:***

- **Valve disease** (= aortic Valve stenosis)
 - **Left ventricular dysfunction** (cardiomegaly, arrhythmia)
 - **Arterial disease** (peripheral vascular disease)
 - **Other conditions exacerbate angina** (anemia, thyrotoxicosis, hypertension, diabetes mellitus)

Investigations:

Non-Invasive Tests

1. Resting ECG:

- ❑ Often normal= even with severe CAD.
- In myocardial ischemia + symptoms:
- →→ show Flat or Inverted T-wave
- → → But the most important evidence= ST Segment Depression or ST Segment Elevation (+ Inverted T-wave)

2. Exercise ECG =

Exercise tolerance test → By doing standard treadmill or bicycle → monitoring patient's ECG.

→→ ST Segment Depression = indicate myocardial ischemia

Other Investigations:

- 3. Myocardial Perfusion Scanning**
- 4. Stress Echo Cardiography**
- 5. Coronary Arteriography**

Is Done When:

- 1) Non-invasive tests failed to establish the cause of chest pain.**
- 2) For Detailed information of extent of coronary artery disease [CAD]**

Myocardial

Infarction

5 Types of MI:

Type 1 – **MI at same time of ischemia** [due to a primary coronary event], e.g. plaque erosion/rupture, fissuring or dissection

Type 2 – **MI after ischemia** [due to increased oxygen demand or decreased supply]: coronary spasm, coronary embolism, anemia, arrhythmias, hypertension, or hypotension

Type 3 – Diagnosis after **Sudden Cardiac Death**

Type 4 – Diagnosis during **percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI)**

Type 5 – Diagnosis during **coronary artery bypass graft (CABG)**

Myocardial Infarction

Symptoms

1) Cardinal Symptom=

→ → → Prolonged Cardiac Pain:

2) Breathlessness

3) Anxiety

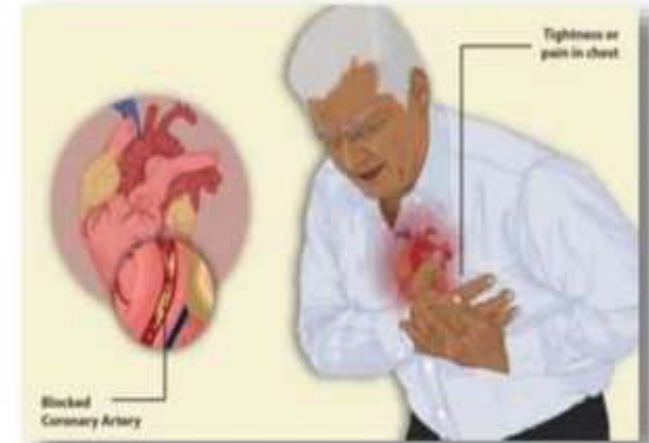
4) Pallor

5) Sweating

6) Oliguria

7) Vomiting

Myocardial Infarction



Myocardial

Infarction

SIGNS

1/// Sympathetic Activation=

- ▣ **Tachycardia**

•2///Vagal Activation=

- ▣ **Bradycardia**

3///Impaired Myocardial Function=

- ▣ **Syncope**
- ▣ **Hypotension**
- ▣ **cold peripheries**
- ▣ **Weak Pulses**
- ▣ **Raised Jugular Vein Pressure**
- ▣ **Third heart sound**
- ▣ **Lung crepitation**

Complications of Myocardial Infarction

1. Cardiac arrhythmia: → >90% of cases → Sudden death
2. Acute Left ventricular failure.
3. Acute Cardiogenic shock.
4. Acute Myocardial rupture and hemopericardium.
5. Pericarditis
6. Chronic heart failure.
6. Thrombo-Embolism: =weak ventricle contractility (→stasis)
7. Ventricular aneurysm.
8. Rupture of =
 - 1) papillary muscle
 - 2) interventricular septum
 - 3) ventricle

Early Medical Management :

→ **urgent hospital admission** → **because:**

1→ **High risk of death**

2→ **Recurrent myocardial ischemia** → **60% Reduced**

→ **Brief history and Examination of risk factors**

→ **If Hypoxia= Oxygen**

→ **Assessment for blood cardiac markers**

→ **Immediate Intravenous Access**

Investigations of Myocardial Infarction :

1)Electrocardiography [12-lead ECG]

Purposes:

- Confirmation = diagnosis
- If initial ECG normal =in 1/3 of MI cases → Repeat ECGs
- Best ECG changes= Leads that on the affected area

2) Echocardiography:

Purposes:

1 ■ – Assess left and right ventricular size + function:

- 1) An enlarged heart or thick ventricles.
- 2) Weakened heart muscles.

2 ■ – Detect important complications:

- 1) Problems with heart valves= mitral stenosis + regurgitation .
- 2) Heart defects present since birth= Atrial + Ventricular septal defect.
- 3) Blood clots or tumors
- 4) cardiac rupture
- 5) Pericardial effusion.

3) Lab. Evaluation of Plasma Cardiac Markers:

☐ **The first to rise
= most specific test :**

1. Troponins: Stay after CK-MB returned to normal.

☐ **Raised after 2 - 4 hr of MI → remains for 7 - 10 days.**

2. Creatine kinase (CK-MB): At early stage of an MI

☐ **Raised after 2 - 4 hr of MI → remains for 1 - days.**

☐ **The Second to rise:**

3. Aspartate AminoTransferase (AST):

☐ **The Third to rise:**

4. Lactate dehydrogenase (LD1):

☐ **Raised after 2 - 4 hr of MI → remains for 3 days.**

4) Other blood tests:

A) Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate (ESR) = elevated

B) C- Reactive Protein (CRP) = elevated

5) Chest X-ray=

A) Pulmonary edema

B) Heart size =

Often normal

→ → →

May be

Cardiomegaly

The Main Used Therapies :

1– Analgesia= morphine or diamorphine

2 – IV Anti-emetics=Anti-vomiting= metoclopramide

3– Anti-Anginal therapy=relieve pain, reduce arrhythmias

A– glyceryl trinitrate (Sublingual)

B– isosorbide dinitrate

C– β -blockers=Atenolol or Metoprolol

D – Add=

1– Calcium Channel blockers to β -blockers

2– Verapamil and diltiazem to β -blockers

= if β -blocker contraindicated

4– Antithrombotic Therapy=

A.... Antiplatelet therapy:

- Aspirin or clopidogrel
- Aspirin + clopidogrel
- Ticagrelor = more effective than clopidogrel

B...Anticoagulants:

➔ until coronary re-vascularization

1. Heparin
2. Penta Saccharide

5–Reperfusion Therapy To the MI Area

By Thrombolytic agents

- 1) Alteplase
- 2) Tenecteplase
- 3) Reteplase
- 4) Streptokinase

Later in the Management of MI:

- ☐ **Stop smoking**
- ☐ **Regular exercise (weight control)**
- ☐ **Diet (lipid-lowering)**
- ☐ **Prevention drug therapy:**
 - 1. – Antiplatelet therapy (aspirin and/or clopidogrel)**
 - 2. – β -blocker**
 - 3. – ACE inhibitor = Angiotensin Converting Enzyme inhibitor**
 - 4. – Statin = (lipid-lowering)**
- ☐ **Drug to control diabetes and hypertension**
- ☐ **– For high-risk patients = Implant cardiac defibrillator**

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