

### Heart Chambers

Left Atria: oxygen- **rich** blood from pulmonary veins -> left AV valve  
 Right Atria: oxygen **poor** blood from vena cavae -> right AV valves  
 Left Ventricle: oxygen **rich** blood, from right at--> semilunar valves  
 Right Ventricle: oxygen **poor** blood from right atrium-> pulmonary artery

### Nodes

SA Node      AV node      Bundle of His

SA node  
 initiates potential and **leads**  
 autorhythmicity: 70 action potentials per minute

AV node  
 base of right atrium  
 autorhythmicity: 50 A.P. / minute  
**follows** SA node under normal conditions

Bundle of His  
 origin: AV node  
 projects to left and right ventricles

Purkinje Fibers  
 terminal fibers  
 extend from Bundle of His  
 follows faster SA node under normal conditions

### Cardiac Cycle

#### Systole

contraction

#### Diastole

relaxation

#### End- diastolic volume

volume of blood at end of diastole, max amount that chamber will hold

#### Isovolumetric ventricular contraction

### Cardiac Cycle (cont)

during contraction, valves closed, no blood leaves, increase in chamber pressure

#### Stroke volume

amount of blood pumped out of chamber

#### Isovolumetric ventricular relaxation

chamber pressure decreases

### ACh: Parasympathetic release

#### SA Node

ACh: inc. permeability to K<sup>+</sup> by delaying inactivation of K<sup>+</sup> channels -> more hyperpolarization

#### AV Node

inc permeability to K<sup>+</sup>, reduces excitability of node, delays response of input from SA node

#### Atrial contractile cells

shortens of action potentials: reducing Ca<sup>2+</sup> permeability during plateau

### Components

Heart      Blood Vessels      Blood

### Valves : one way

Right AV Valve	Left AV valve	Aortic/ Pulmonary valve
tricuspid	bicuspid	semilunar

### Pathways

#### Interatrial

cardiac cells pacemaker activity from right to left atrium

#### Internodal

cardiac cell pacemaker activity from SA to AV node

#### AV nodal delay

Slow through AV node due to thickness

### Action potential in Contractile cells

#### Resting potential

-90mV until excited

#### Rising phase

rapid, Na<sup>+</sup> entry due to opening of fast Na<sup>+</sup> channels, close K<sup>+</sup> channels

#### Repolarization

at peak, open transient K<sup>+</sup> efflux, inactivate Na<sup>+</sup> channels

#### Plateau

Slow Ca<sup>2+</sup> entry, open of L-type Ca<sup>2+</sup> channels, reduce

#### Falling phase

K<sup>+</sup> efflux, open voltage-gated K<sup>+</sup> channels

#### Resting Potential

maintained by opening leaky K<sup>+</sup> channels



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### Excitation Contraction Coupling

#### ACh

- released by motor neuron axon binds to motor end plate
- results in action potential that propagates to surface membrane and down t-tubule
- triggers  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  release from SR
- $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  released from lateral sacs
- bind to troponin, tropomyosin moves aside to open actin binding site
- myosin crossbridge attach to actin-> bend
- > pull actin towards center of sarcomere
- $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  taken up by SR
- tropomyosin goes back to blocking position.



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