

Exercise Training

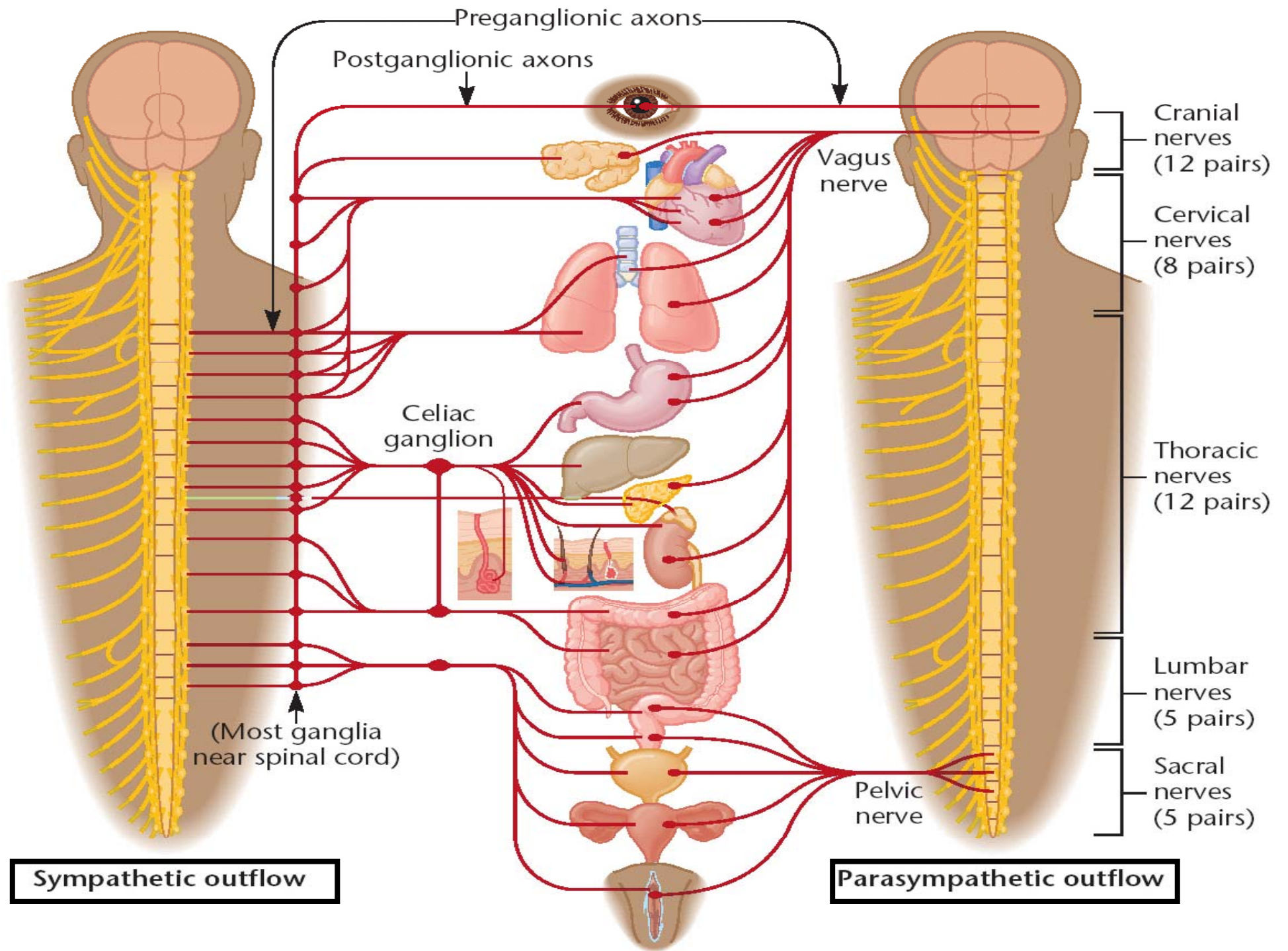
Exercise training induces many physiological changes that make a conditioned individual more efficient and better able to deliver and use the oxygen and nutrients and resist fatigue.

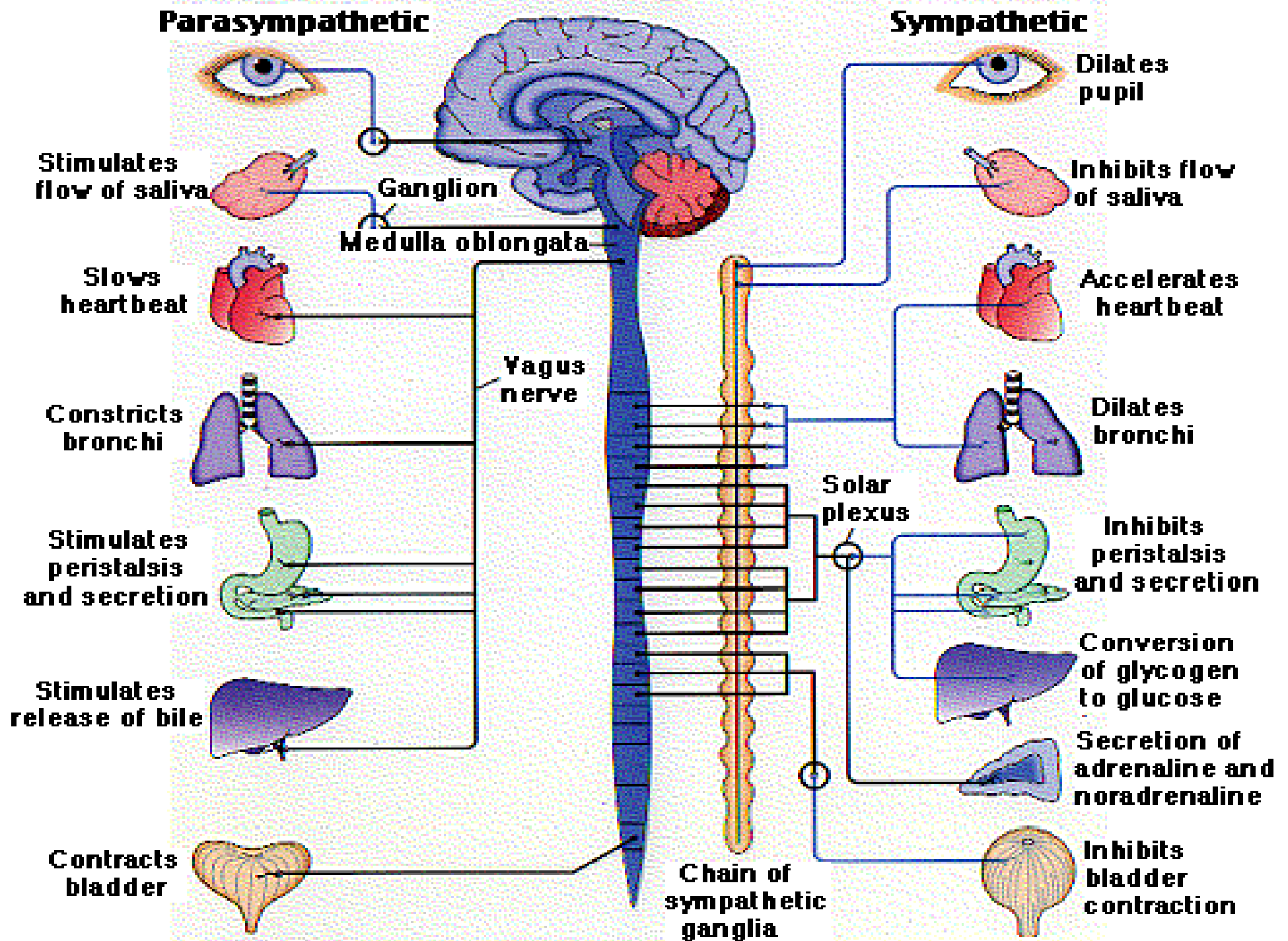
The conditioning effect also offers some protection against cardiovascular mortality and enhances ability to perform activities of daily living.

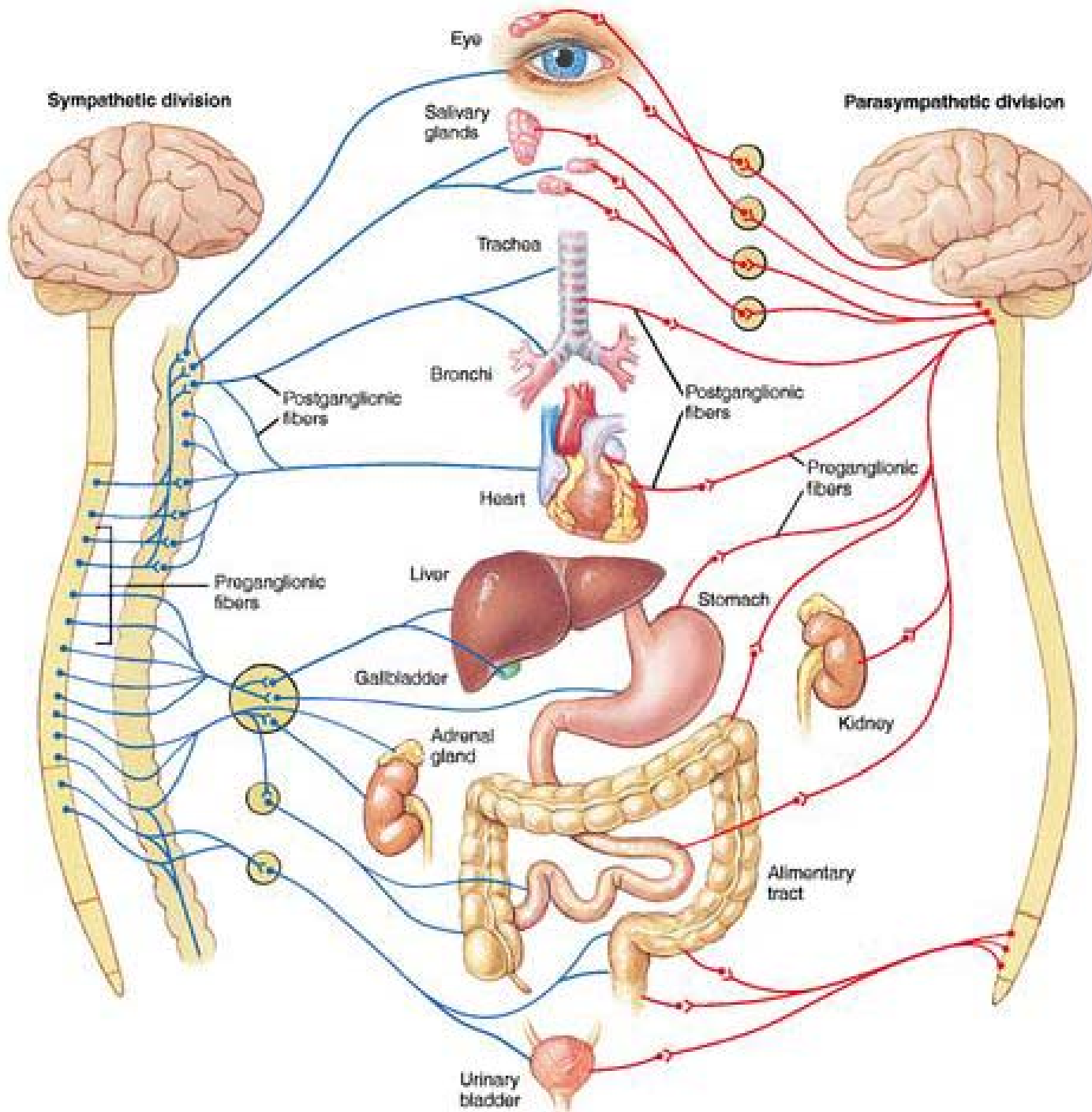
The Autonomic Nervous System

The Autonomic Nervous System is an important tool that the central system uses to maintain the organismic homeostasis at rest and during challenges imposed by acute changes in physiological states such as physical exercise

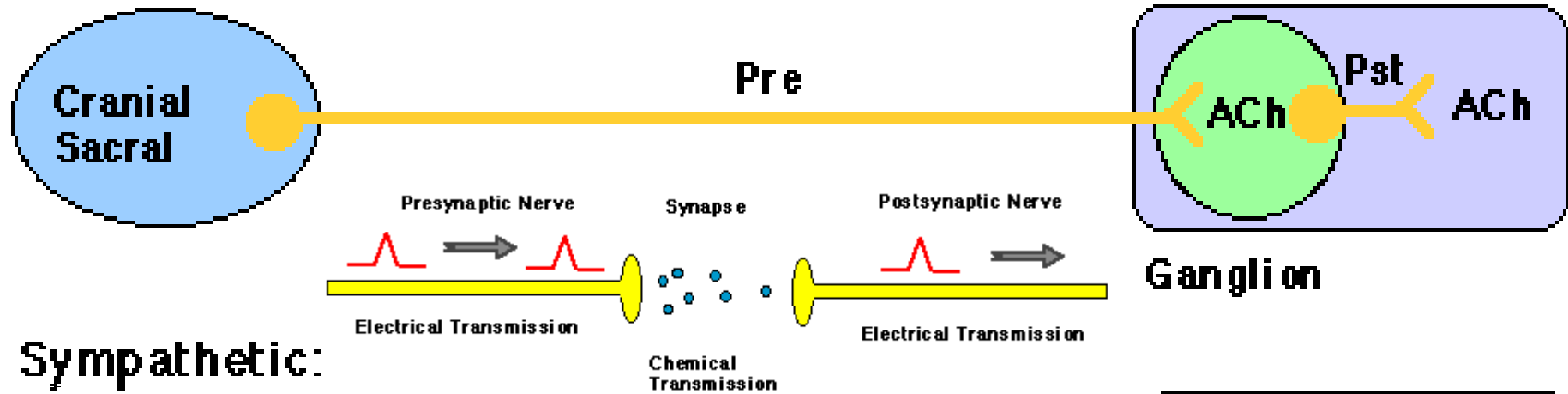
The physiological effects of ANS depend on both a) the change in the activities of autonomic nerves and their release of neurotransmitters and b) the responsiveness of the peripheral tissues to this neurochemical stimulus



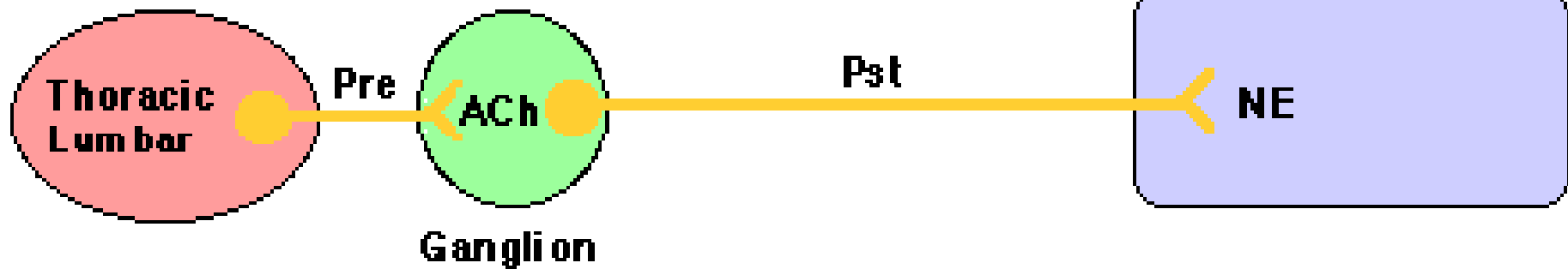




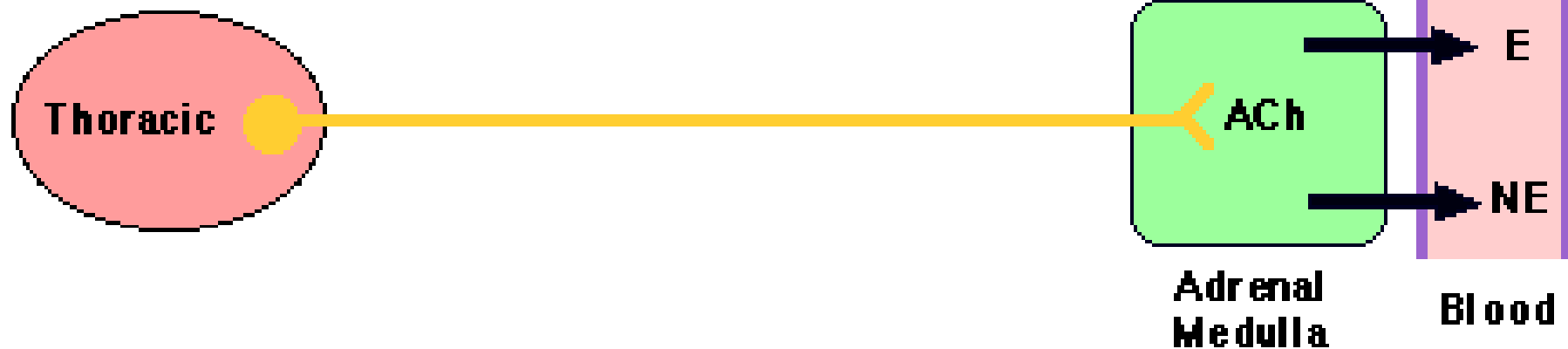
Parasympathetic:



Sympathetic:



Adrenal Medulla:



The Sympathetic is the "Fight or Flight" Branch of the ANS

1. Emergency situations, where the body needs a sudden burst of energy, are handled by the sympathetic system
2. The sympathetic system increases cardiac output and pulmonary ventilation, routes blood to the muscles, raises blood glucose and slows down digestion, kidney filtration and other functions not needed during emergencies
3. Whole sympathetic system tends to "go off" together
4. In a controlled environment the sympathetic system is not required for life, but it is essential for any stressful situation

The Parasympathetic is the "Rest and Digest" Branch of the ANS

1. The parasympathetic system promotes normal maintenance of the body- acquiring building blocks and energy from food and getting rid of the wastes
2. It promotes secretions and mobility of different parts of the digestive tract.
3. Also involved in urination, defecation.
4. Does not "go off" together; activities initiated when appropriate
5. The vagus nerve (cranial number 10) is the chief parasympathetic nerve
6. Other cranial parasympathetic nerves are: III (oculomotor), VII (facial) and IX (glossopharyngeal)

The Hypothalamus Has Central Control of the ANS

**The hypothalamus is involved in the
coordination of ANS responses,**

**One section of the hypothalamus seems
to control many of the "fight or flight"
responses; another section favors
"rest and digest" activities**

The Adrenal Medulla is an Extension of the Sympathetic Nervous System

1. The adrenal medulla behaves like a combined autonomic ganglion and postsynaptic sympathetic nerve (see diagram above)
2. Releases both norepinephrine and epinephrine in emergency situations
 1. Releases a mixture of epinephrine (E = 80%) and norepinephrine (NE = 20%)
 2. Epinephrine = adrenaline
3. This action is under control of the hypothalamus

Comparison of the Actions of the Sympathetic & Parasympathetic Systems

Usually (but not always) both sympathetic and parasympathetic nerves go to an organ and have opposite effects

You can predict about 90% of the sympathetic and parasympathetic responses using the 2 phrases: "Fight or Flight" and "Rest and Digest".

Special cases:

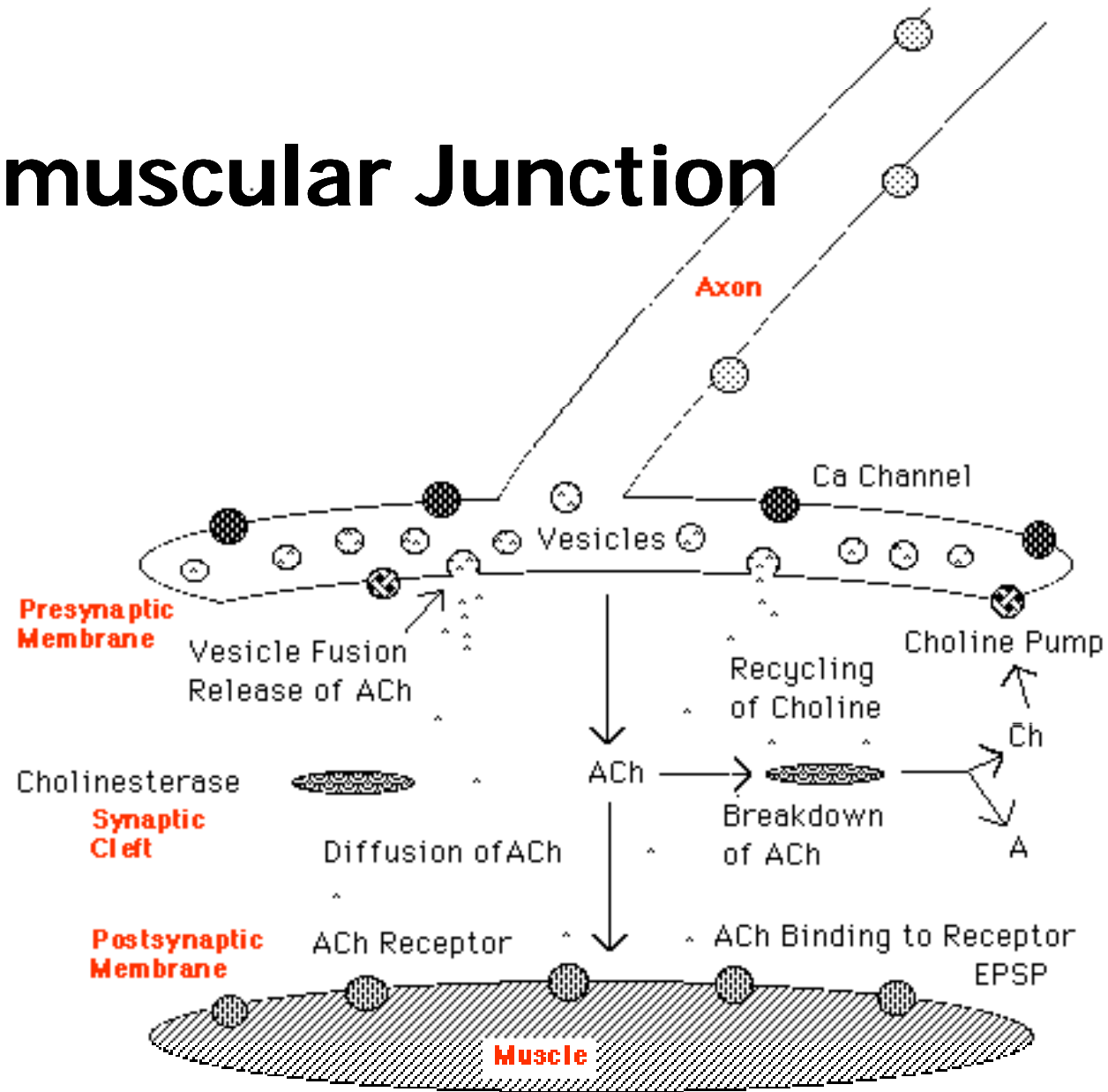
Occasionally the 2 systems work together: in sexual intercourse the parasympathetic promotes erection and the sympathetic produces ejaculation

Eye: the sympathetic response is dilation and relaxation of the ciliary muscle for far vision (parasympathetic does the opposite)

Urination: the parasympathetic system relaxes the sphincter muscle and promotes contraction of muscles of the bladder wall -> urination (sympathetic blocks urination)

Defecation: the parasympathetic system causes relaxation of the anal sphincter and stimulates colon and rectum to contract -> defecation (sympathetic blocks defecation)

Neuromuscular Junction



Chronic Cardiac Adaptation to Exercise

Morphological

- Myocardial
- Vascular

Functional

- Neural



Dynamic and static exertion

Dynamic or isotonic activity: physical exertion characterized by rhythmic, repetitive movements of large muscle groups

Isometric or static activity: physical exertion characterized by sustained muscle contraction against a fixed load or resistance with non change in length of the involved muscle group or joint motion

Risposte cardiovascolari all'esercizio dinamico e statico

ESERCIZIO DINAMICO

- aumento FC proporzionale alle richieste metaboliche
- aumento modesto/nullo PA media
- prevalente vasodilatazione
- facilitato ritorno venoso
- aumento consumo miocardico O₂
- aumento proporzionale gettata sistolica e portata cardiaca

LAVORO DI VOLUME DEL CUORE

ESERCIZIO STATICO

- minore incremento della FC
- marcato aumento PA media
- prevalente vasocostrizione
- ostacolato ritorno venoso
- aumento consumo miocardico O₂
- aumento “inadeguato” gettata sistolica e portata cardiaca

LAVORO DI PRESSIONE DEL CUORE



What about resistance training?

Acute static exercise and the blood pressure response

Acute static exercise increase both Systolic and Diastolic pressure.....



..... due to the Valsalva maneuver,pressor reflexs from tendoms stretching and compression of arteries by contracting muscles.....



.....the intraabdominal pressure is simultaneously increased and this is immediatly trasmitted to the cerebrospinal fluid through the intervetebral foramina:the transmural pressure across cerebral vessels is reduced and protects the cerebral vessels from acute damage.

Acute static exercise and the blood pressure response

During heavy weightlifting with Valsalva maneuver,
The pressor reflex is extremely exaggerated but
may be dramatically reduced when the exercise is performed
with an open glottis or slow exhalation

With Valsalva
311/284 mmHg

Without Valsalva
198/175 mmHg

Resistance Exercise in Individuals with and without Cardiovascular Disease

Benefits, rationale, safety and prescription

An advisory from the committee on exercise rehabilitation and prevention, Council on Clinical Cardiology, American Heart Association

Position paper endorsed by ACSM

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Comparison of effects of aerobic training with strength training on health and fitness variables

Variable	Aerobic ex.	Resistance ex.
Bone mineral density	↑↑	↑↑
Body composition		
% Fat	↓↓	↓
LBM	-	↑↑
Strength	-	↑↑↑
Basal insulin levels	↓	↓
Insulin sensitivity	↑↑	↑↑
HDL	↑-	↑-
LDL	↓-	↓-
Blood pressure	↓	↓
VO2 max	↑↑	↑-
Basal metabolism	↑	↑↑

Circuit weight training in borderline hypertensive subjects

Subjects : 26 males with BL hypertension (140/90 - 160/95 mmHg)
Exercise program: 9 weeks participation in circuit weight training

Results	Pre	Post
♥ Upper and lower body strength		+ 12,5% and + 53% *
♥ Lean body mass	64 Kg	65,4 Kg = 2,2% *
♥ Treadmill VO ₂ max	40,9 ml x Kg x min	44,1 ml x Kg x min = + 7,8% *
♥ Arm ergometry VO ₂ max	1,9 L x min ⁻¹	2,3 L x min ⁻¹ = +21,1% *
♥ <u>Diastolic blood pressure</u>	95,8 mmHg	91,3 mmHg *
♥ <u>Sistolic blood pressure</u>	no difference	

* p<0,05

Circuit weight training does not exacerbate resting or exercise blood pressure and may have beneficial effects

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Chronic Cardiac Adaptation to Exercise

Morphological

Myocardial hypertrophy

Coronaries



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Myocardial hypertrophy

- *Concentric*
- *Eccentric*



Hypertrophy-Hyperplasia

- Hyperplasia constitutes an increase in the number of cells in an organ or tissue, which may then have increased volume.
- Hypertrophy refers to an increase in the size of cells and, with such change, an increase in the size of the organ

Myocardial Hypertrophy

➔ Due to physical stimuli

volume overload

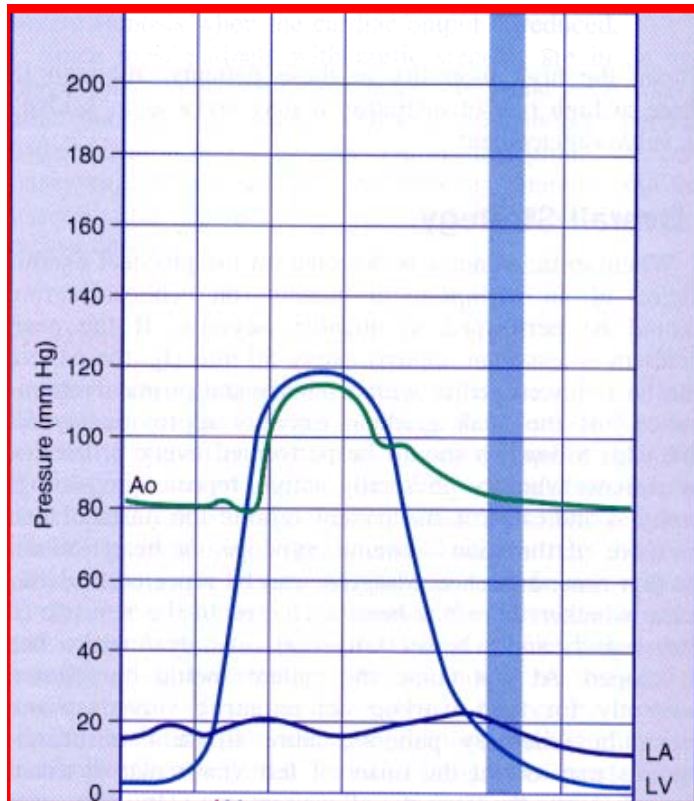
pressure overload

➔ Due to hormonal chemical stimuli



Factors promoting Cardiac hypertrophy

Mechanical Force



LaPlace Formulation for Wall Stress

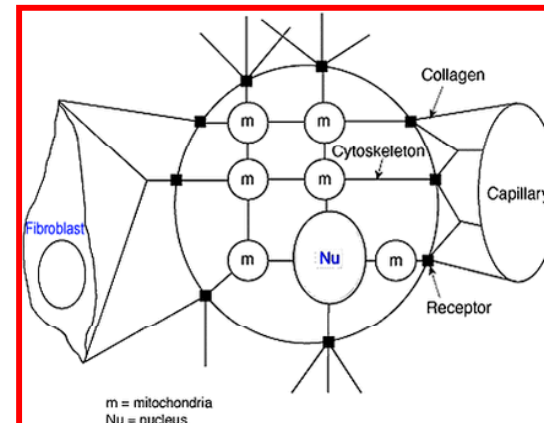
$$S \approx \frac{P \times r^2}{h}$$

S = wall stress

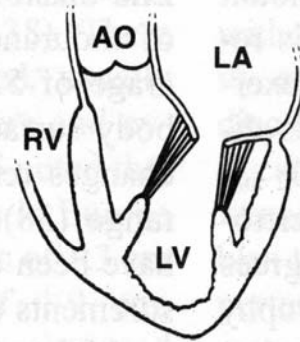
P = ventricular systolic pressure

r = ventricular radius

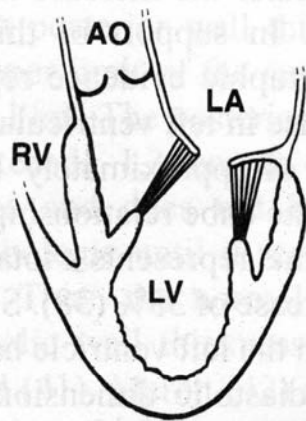
h = ventricular wall thickness



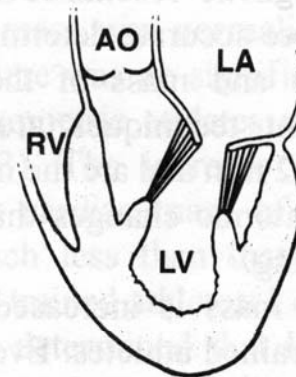
Adaptation of the Heart to Exercise Training



Normal

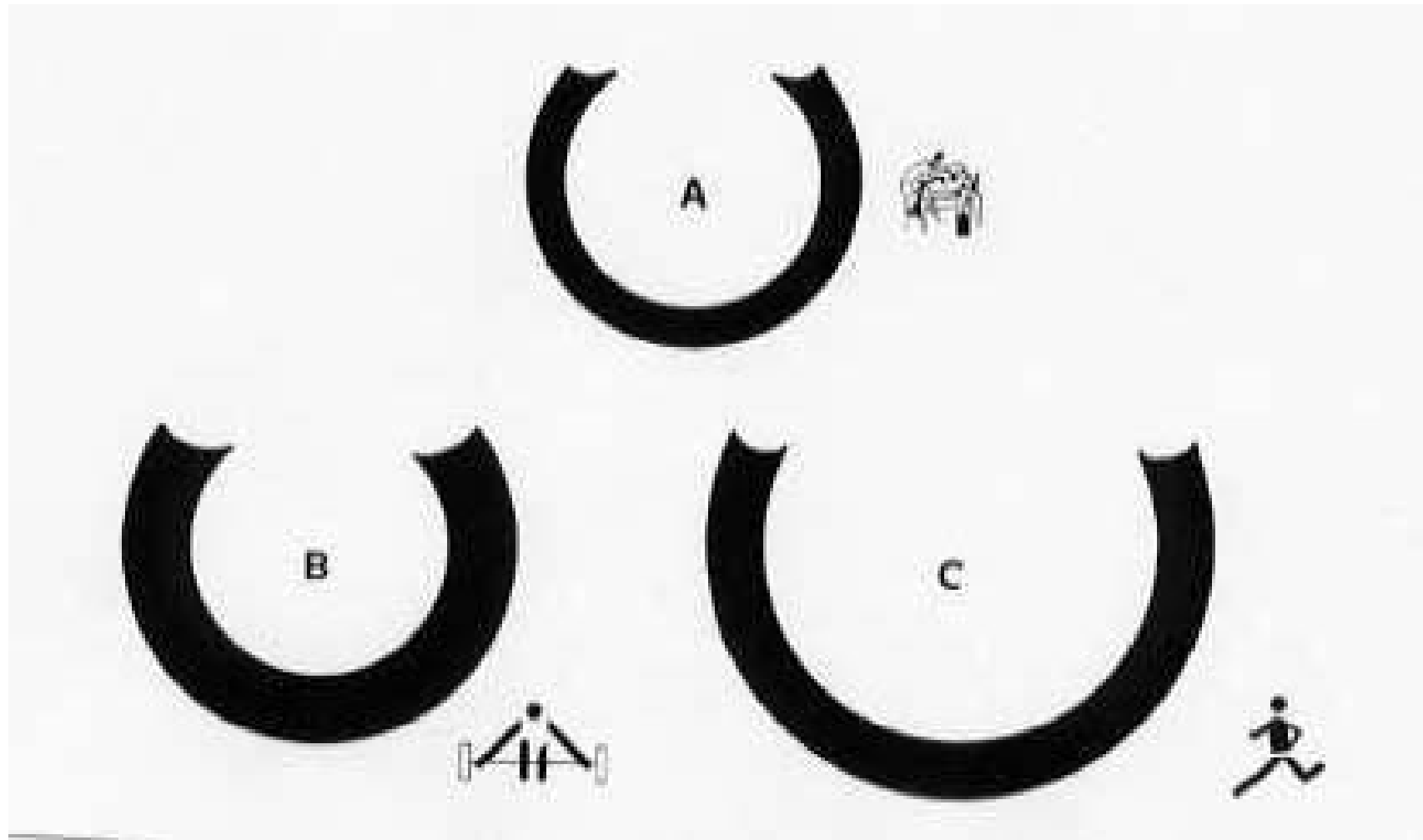


Eccentric hypertrophy

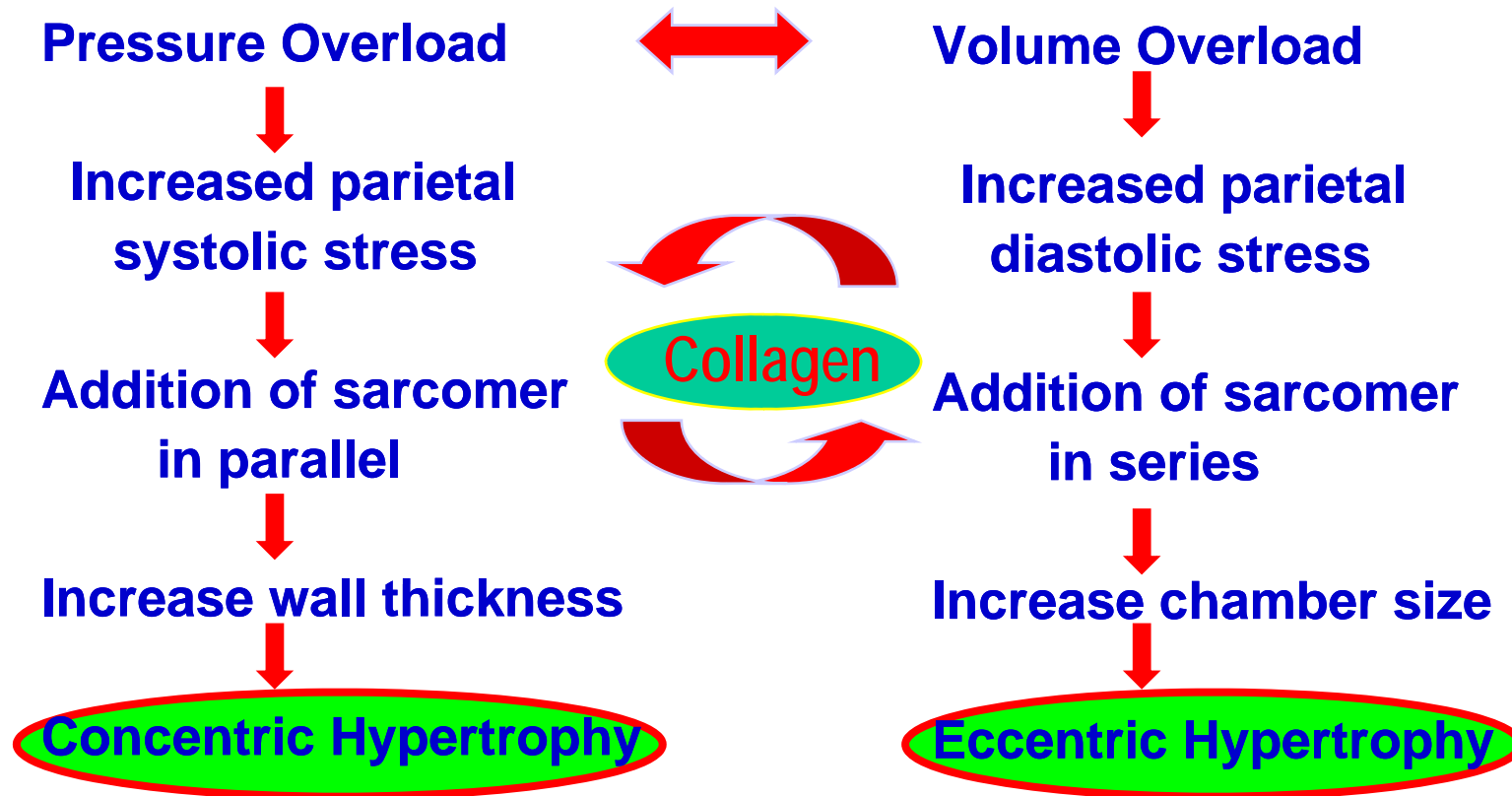


Concentric hypertrophy

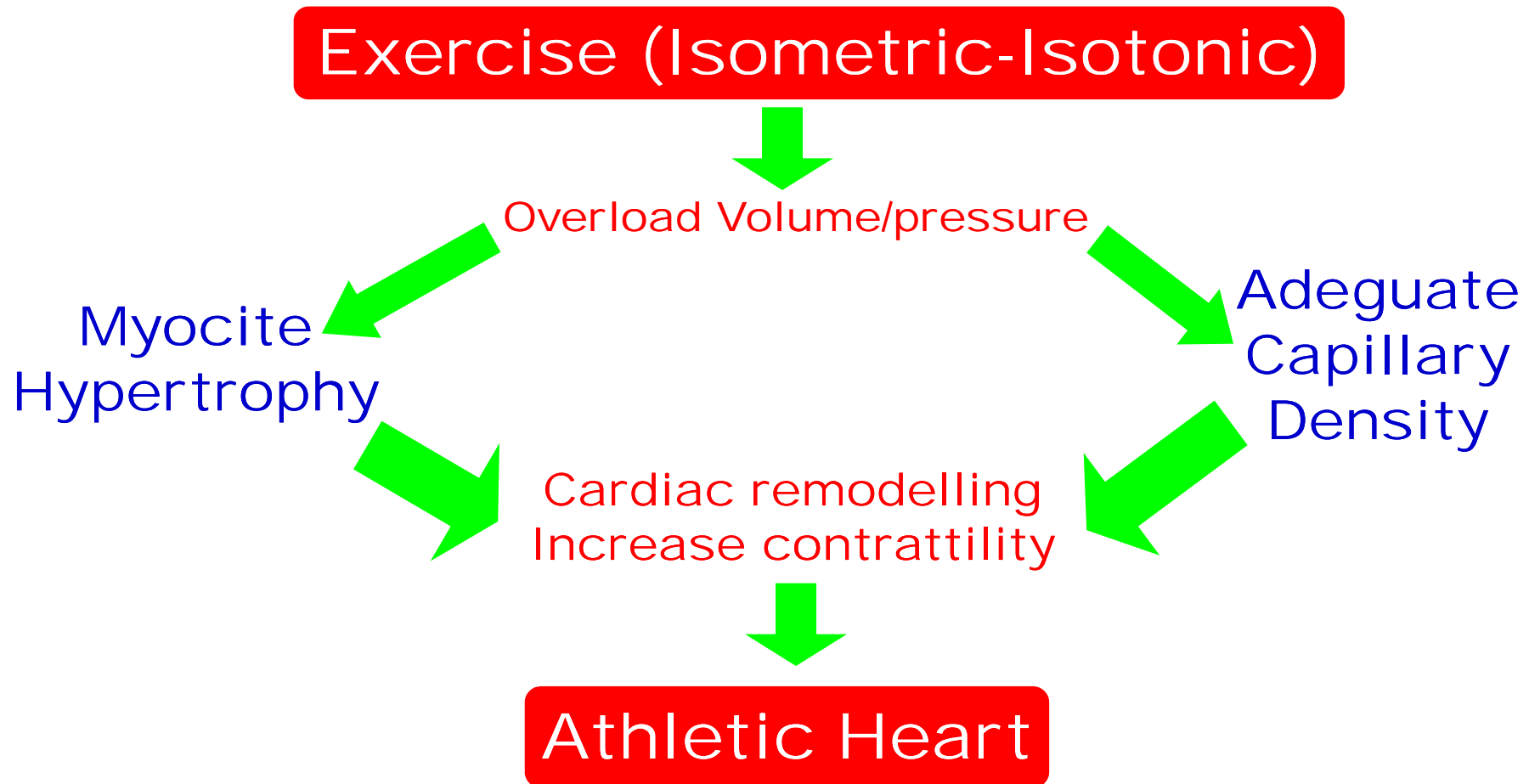
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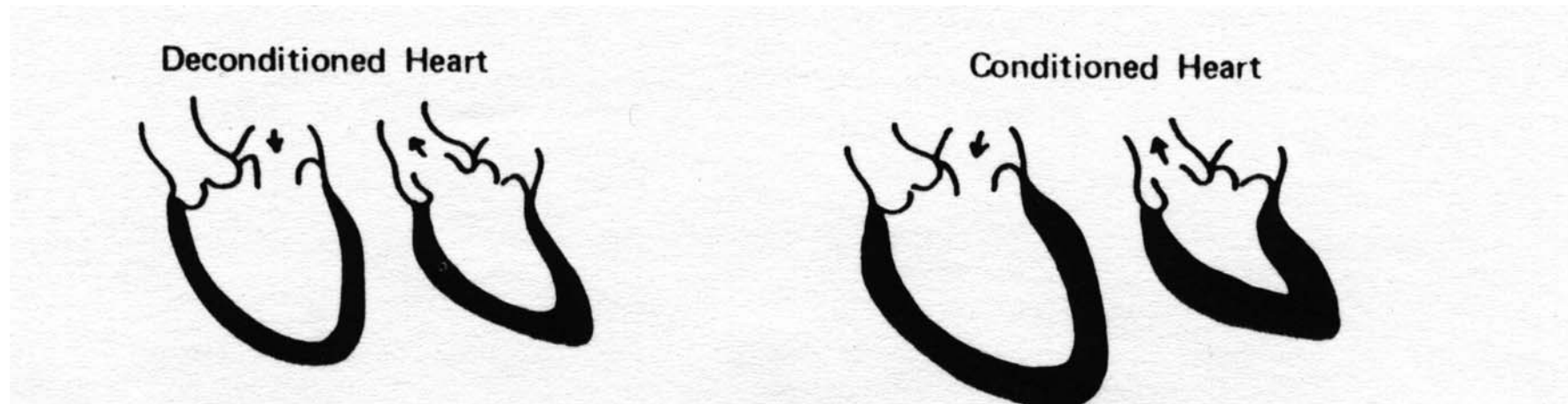
Development of Myocardial Hypertrophy

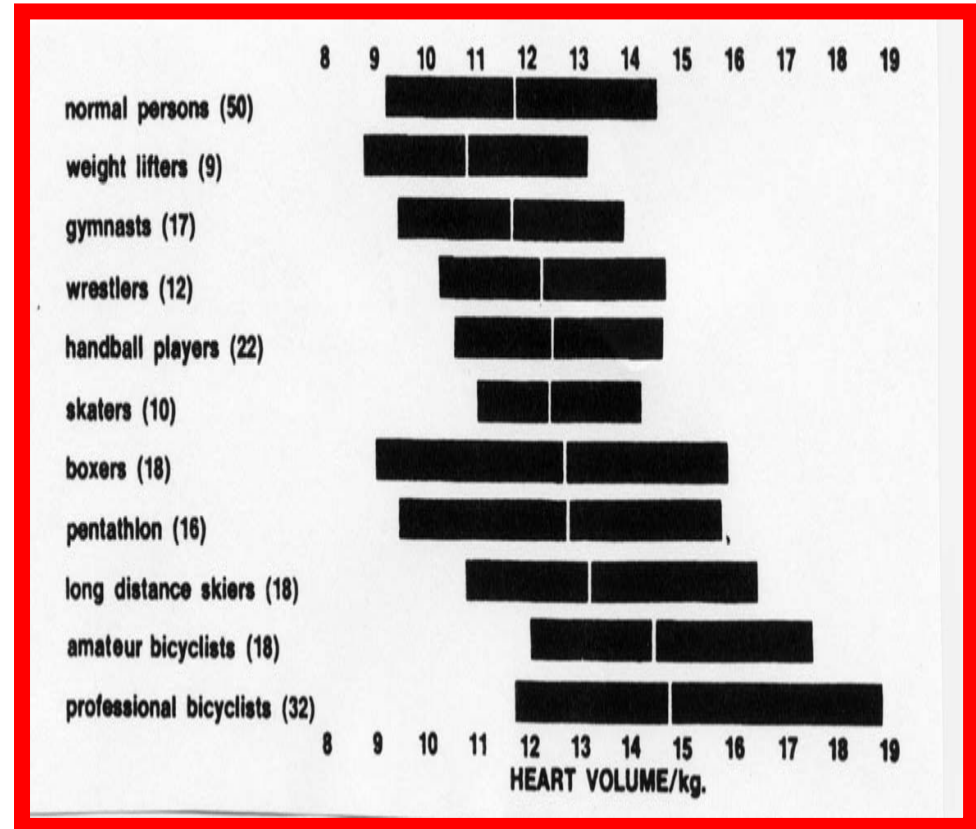


Effects of exercise on cardiac structure and function

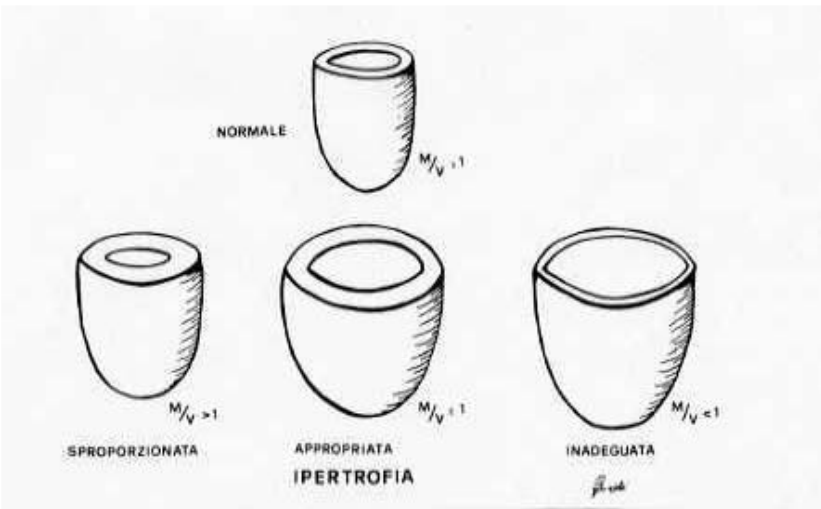
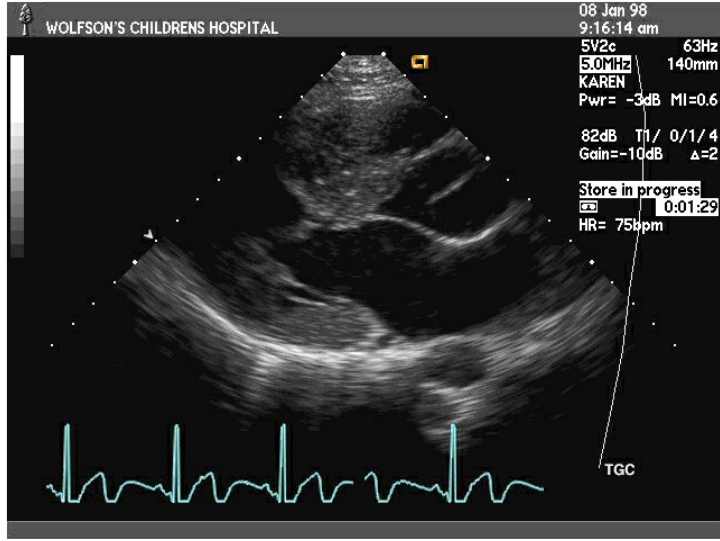
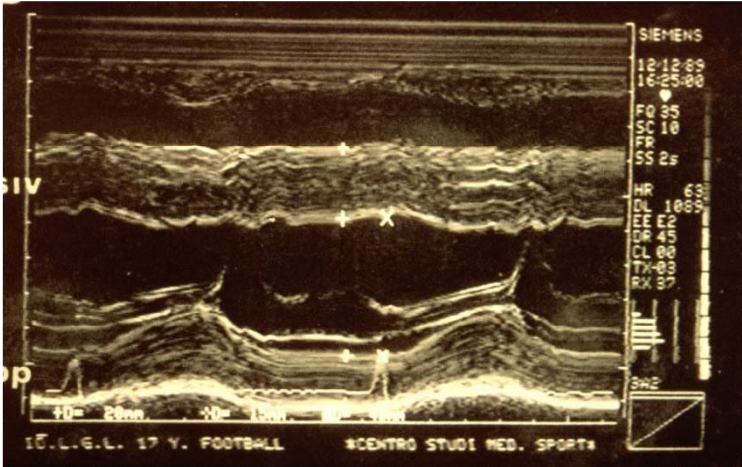


Effects of Training on Left Ventricle

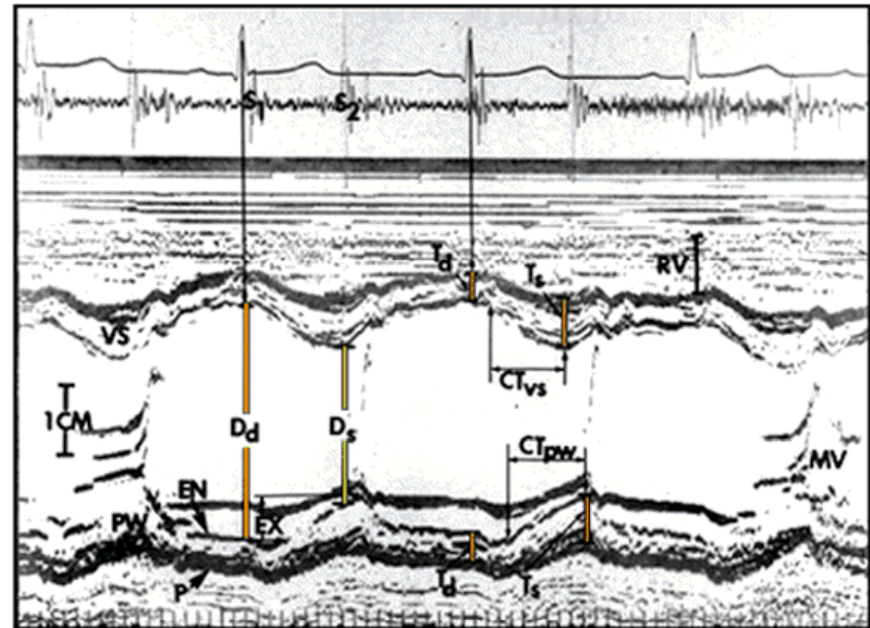
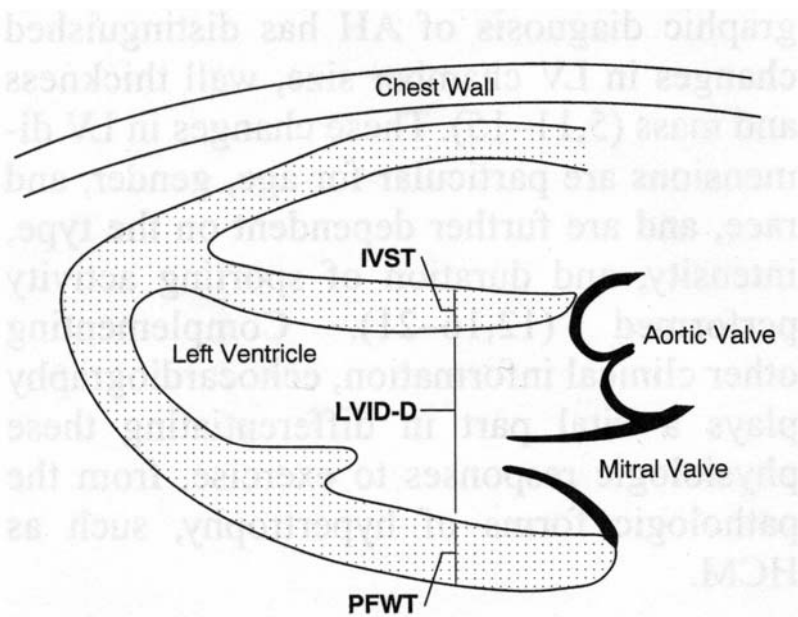




Echo & Left Ventricular Mass

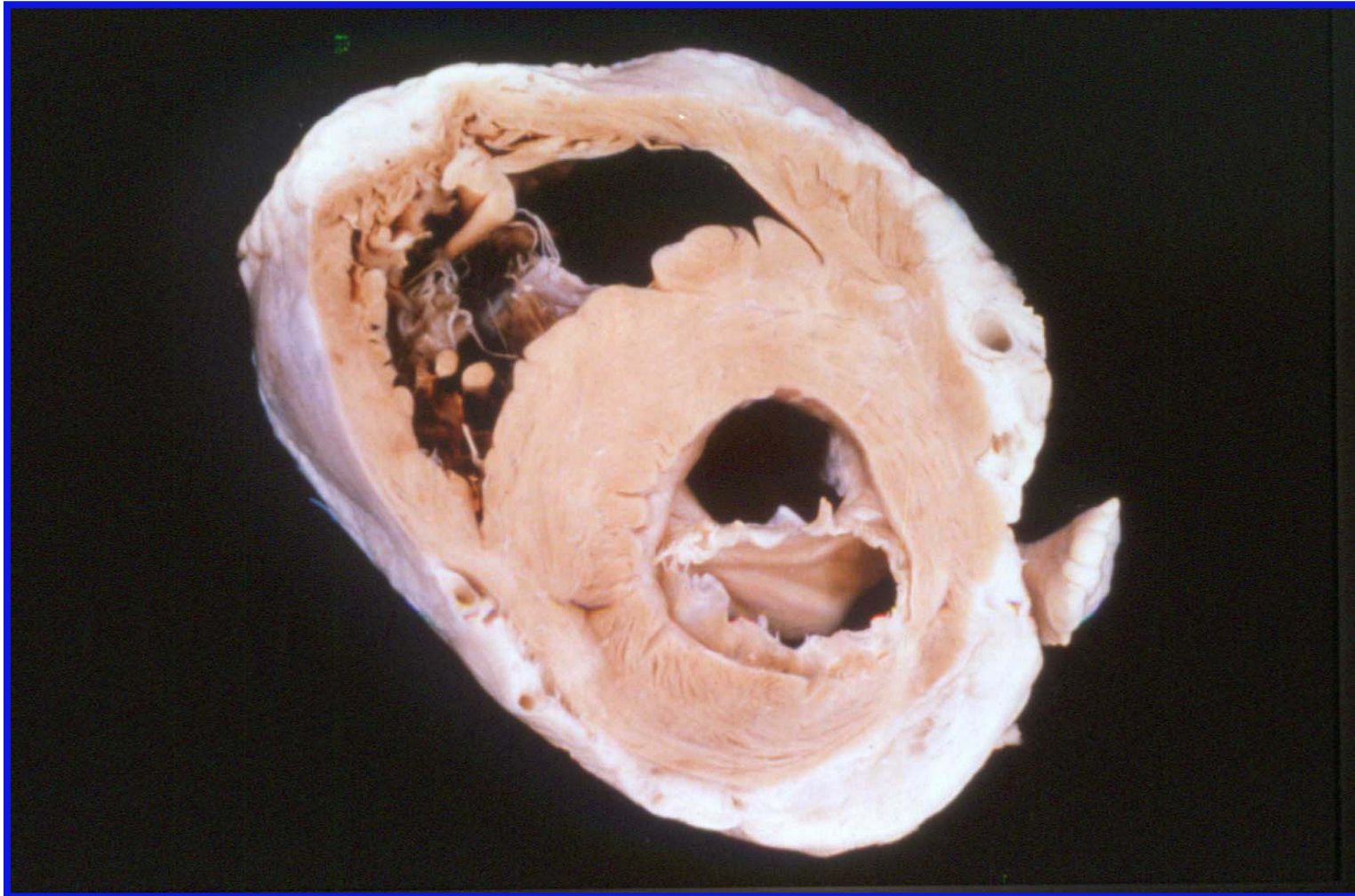


Calculation of LV M

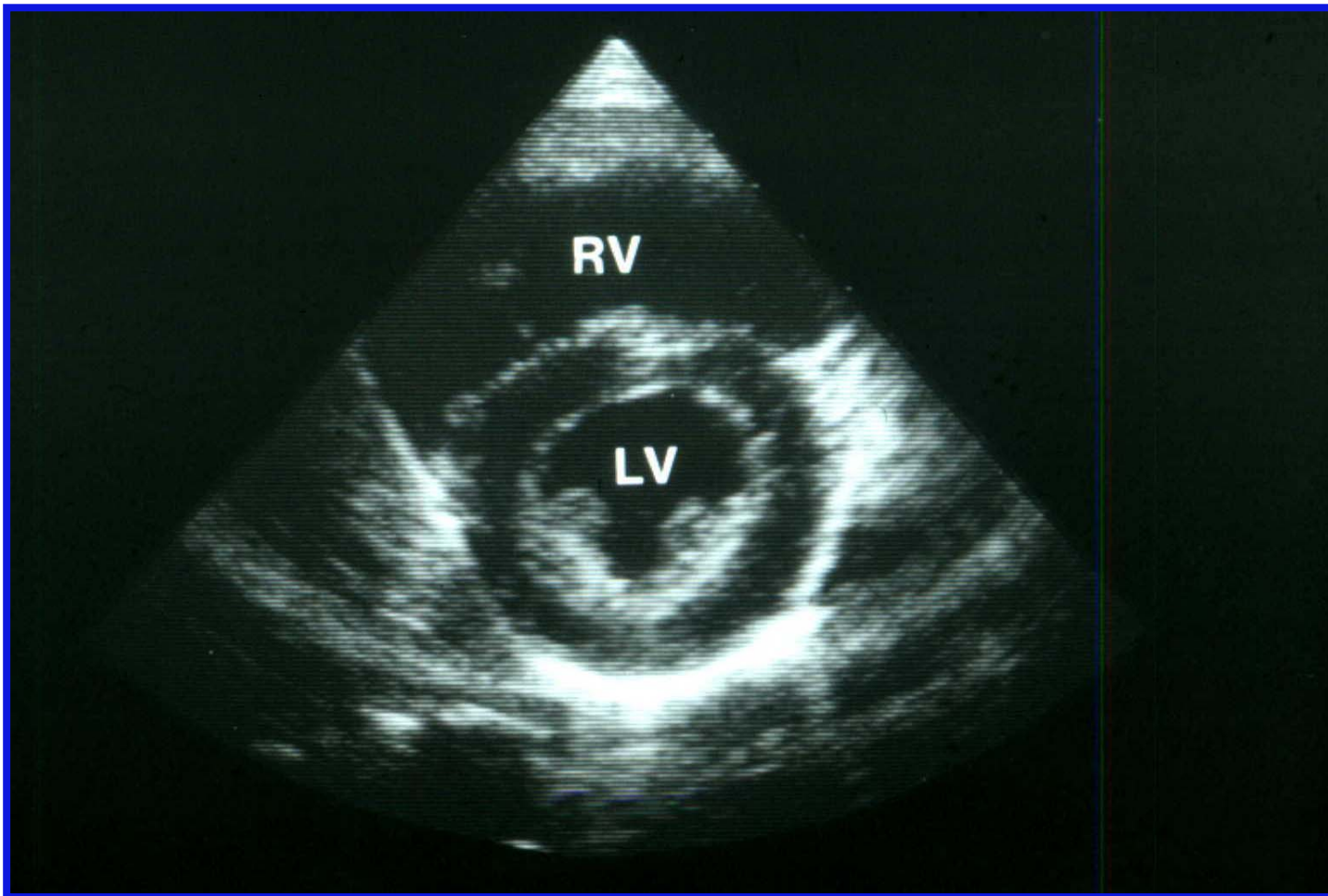


$$LVM(\text{gr}) = 0,80 \times 1,05 \times \left[(IVS + PWT + LVID)^3 - LVID^3 \right]$$

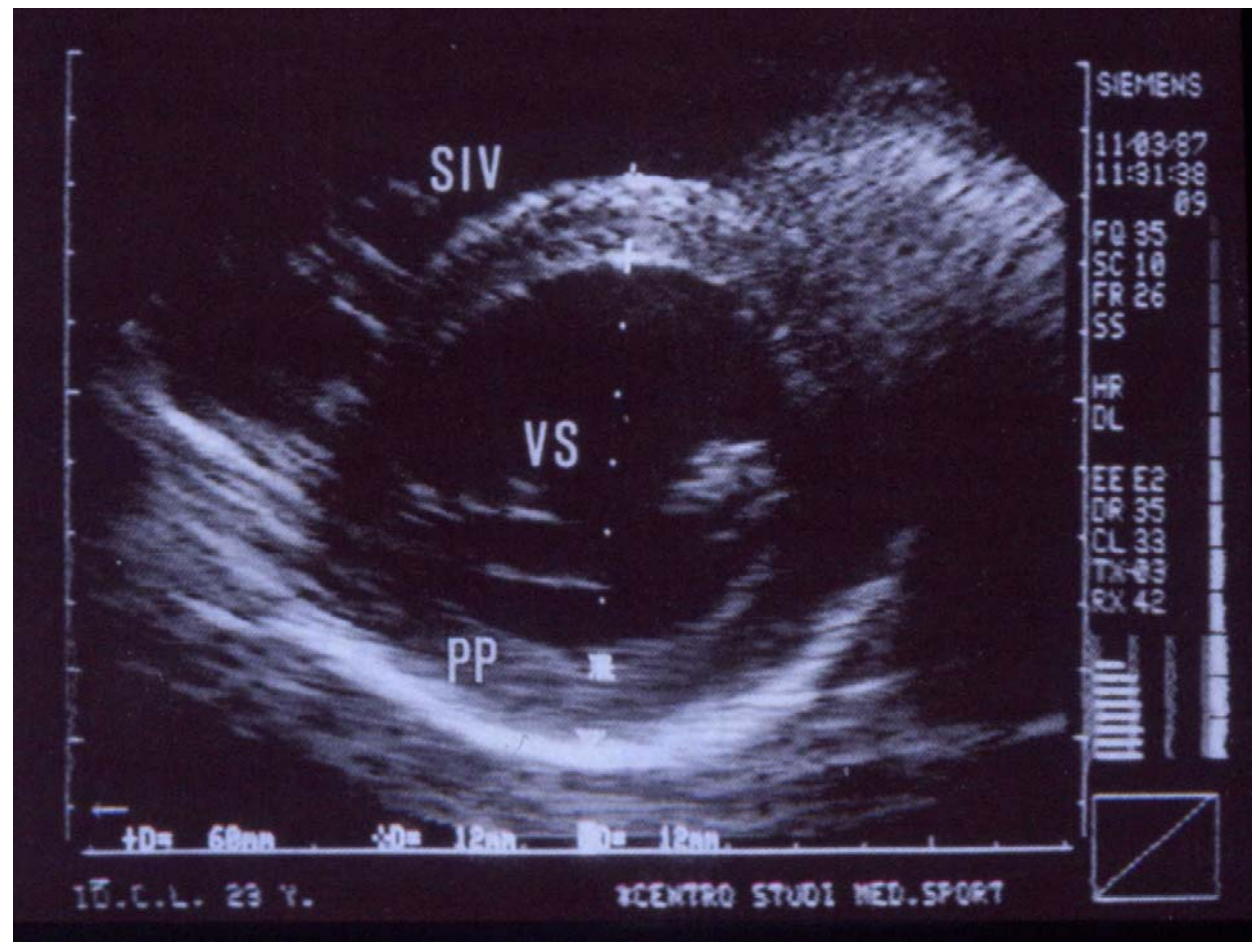
Anatomical Section Through the Short Axis of Left Ventricle



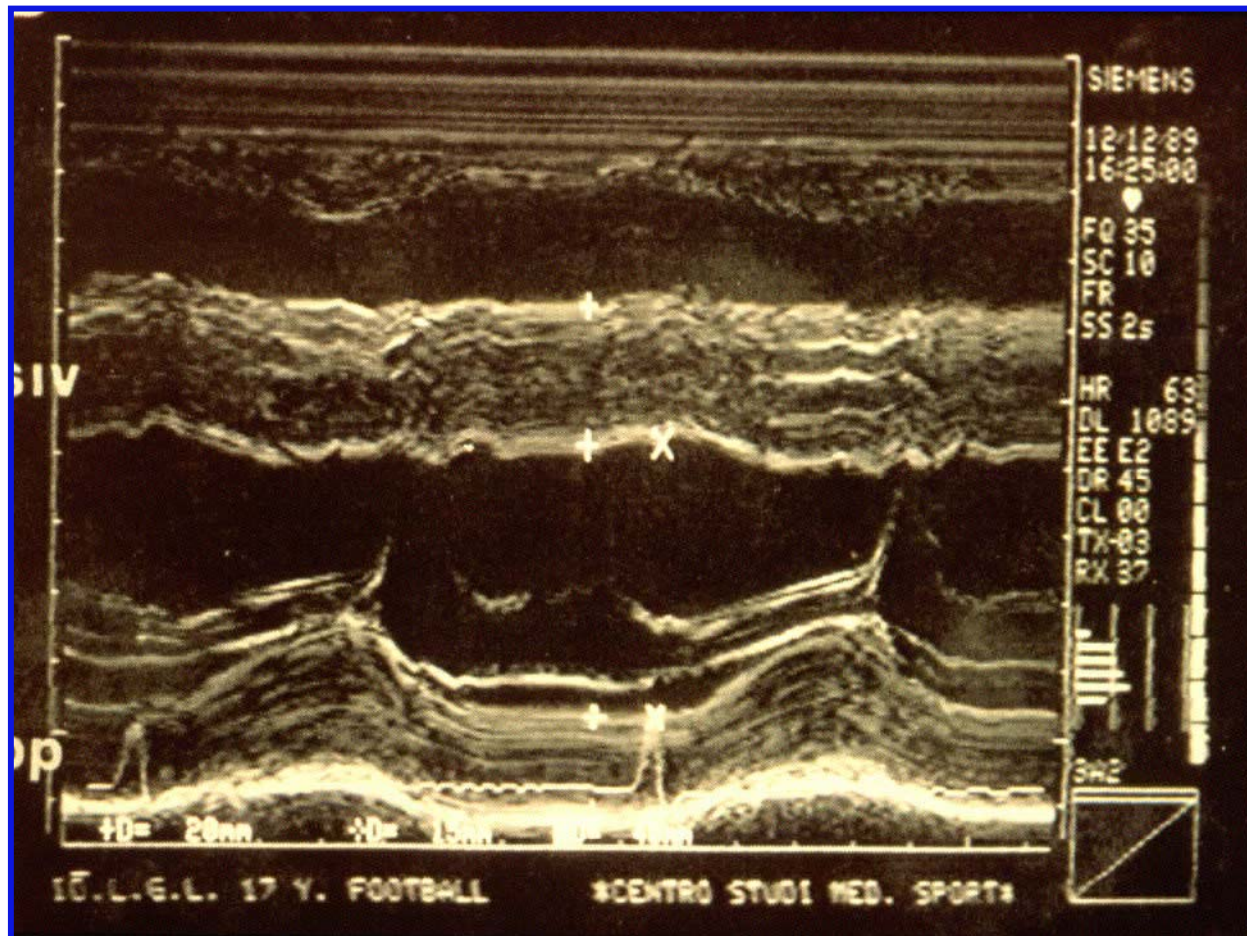
Short Axis View of Left Ventricle in Normal Subject



Short Axis View of L V in Athlete



Pathological Hypertrophy



Athlete's Heart

- Adequate Hypertrophy
- Normal Systolic Function
- Normal Diastolic Function
- Reversibility



Hypertrophy Modulating Factors

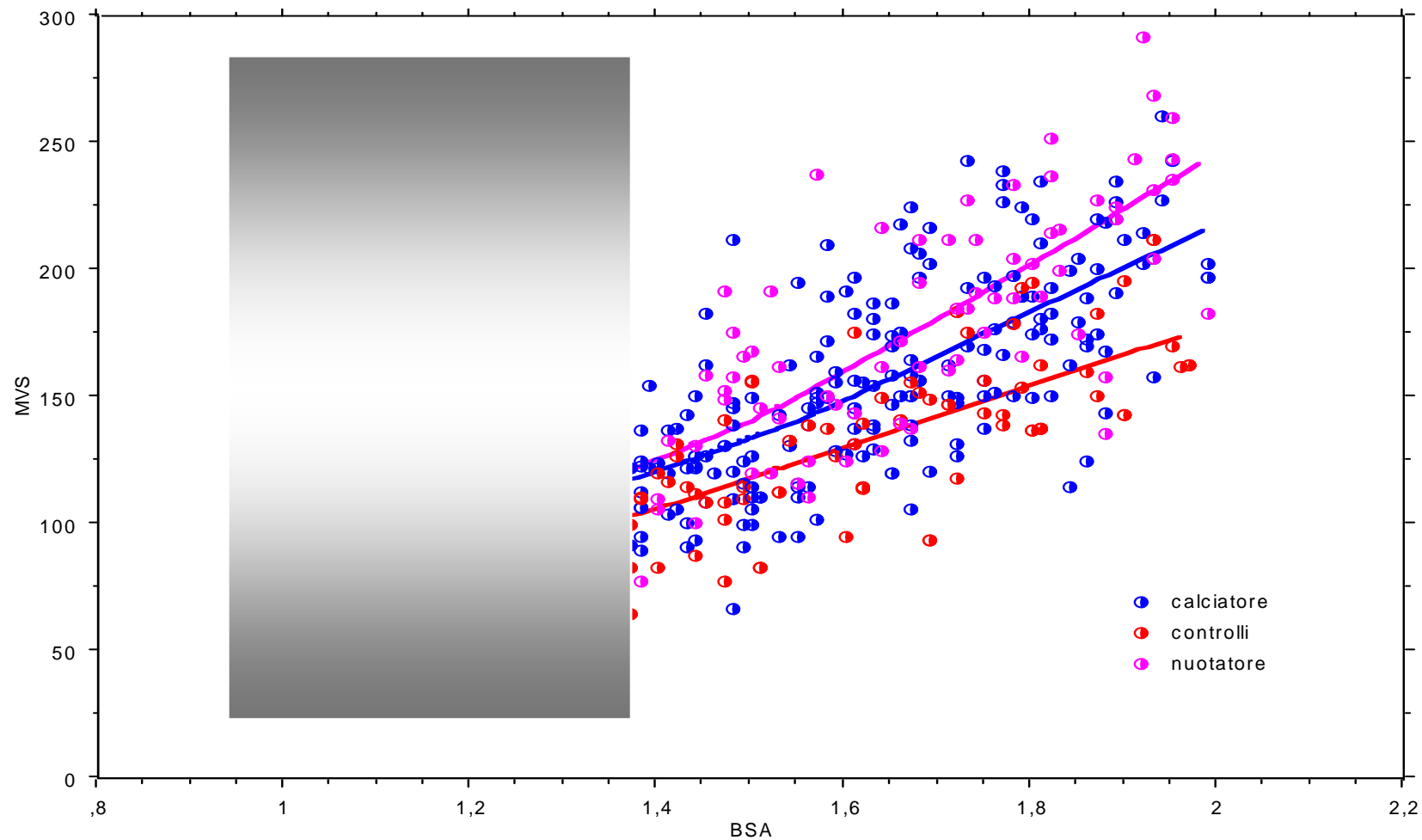
1. Age
2. Gender
3. Type of stimulus
4. Genetic heritage



Conclusions

- **Our data suggest that exercise induces a physiological left ventricular hypertrophy in sportive population.**
- **This hypertrophy becomes evident after sexual maturation was achieved.**

MVS - BSA



Hypertrophy Modulating Factors

Age
Genetic Heritage



La scelta dello sport è geneticamente determinata?

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ORIGINAL INVESTIGATION

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Elite swimmers and the D allele of the ACE I/D polymorphism

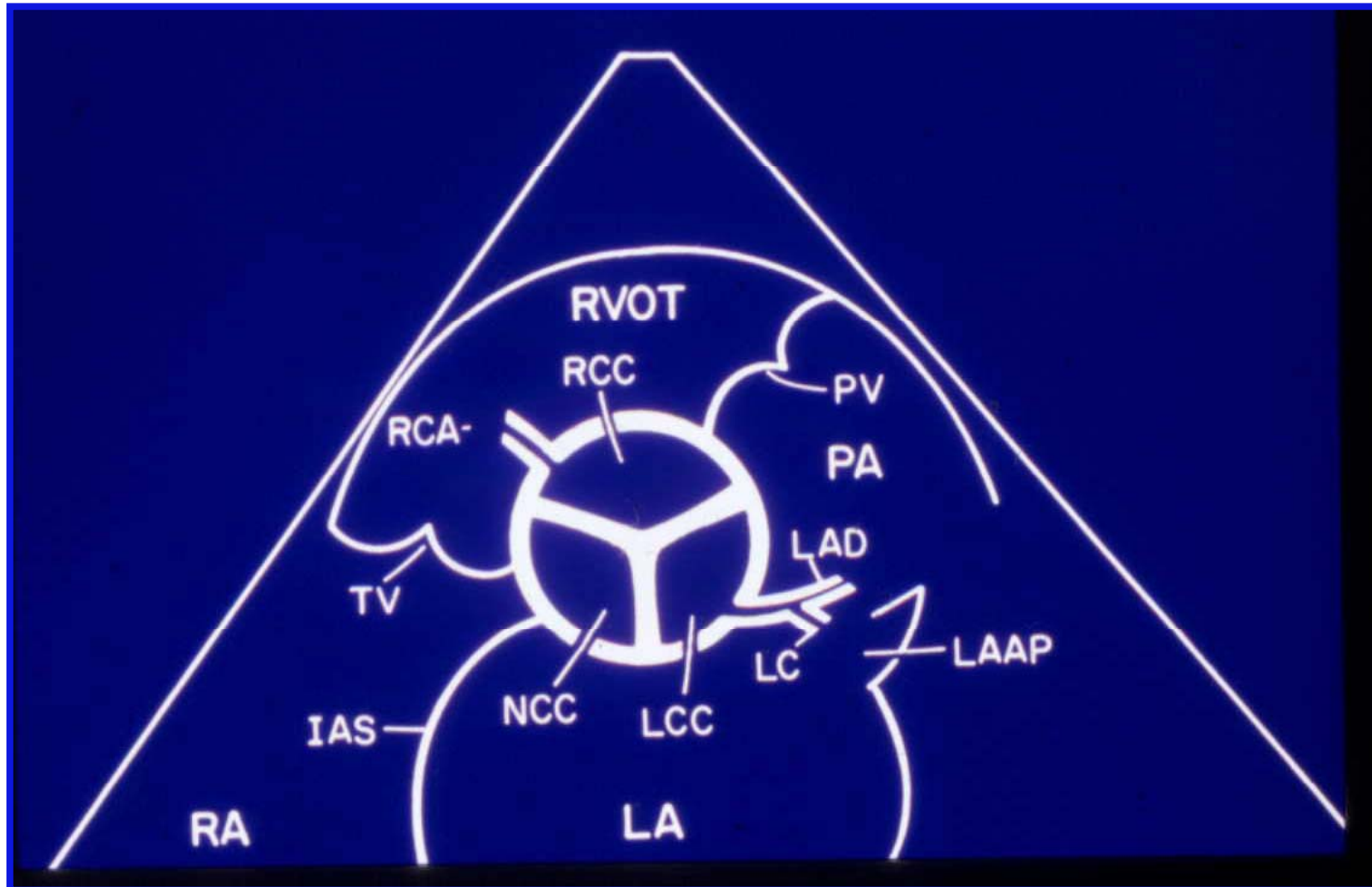


Association of angiotensin-converting enzyme gene I/D polymorphism with change in left ventricular mass in response to physical training

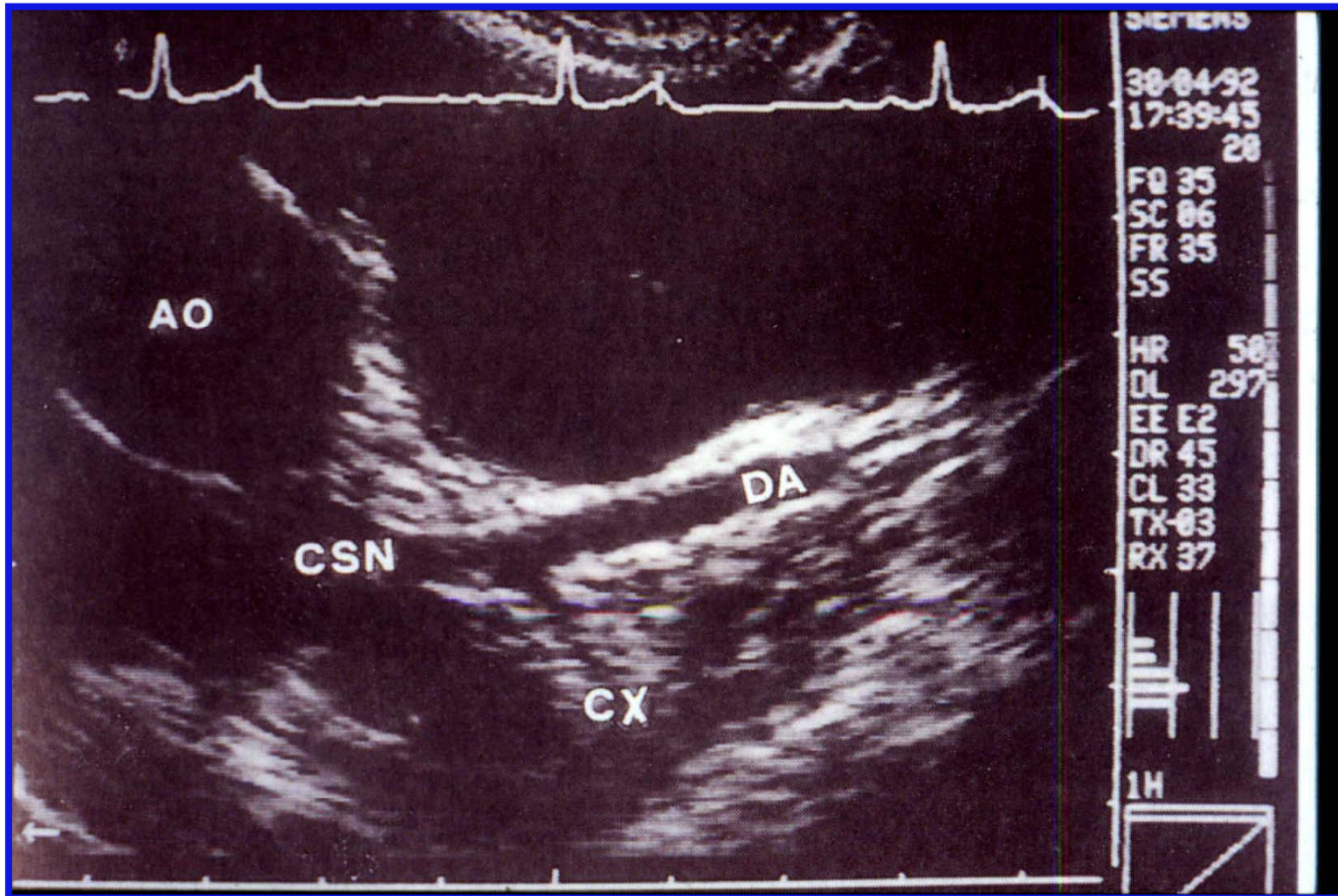
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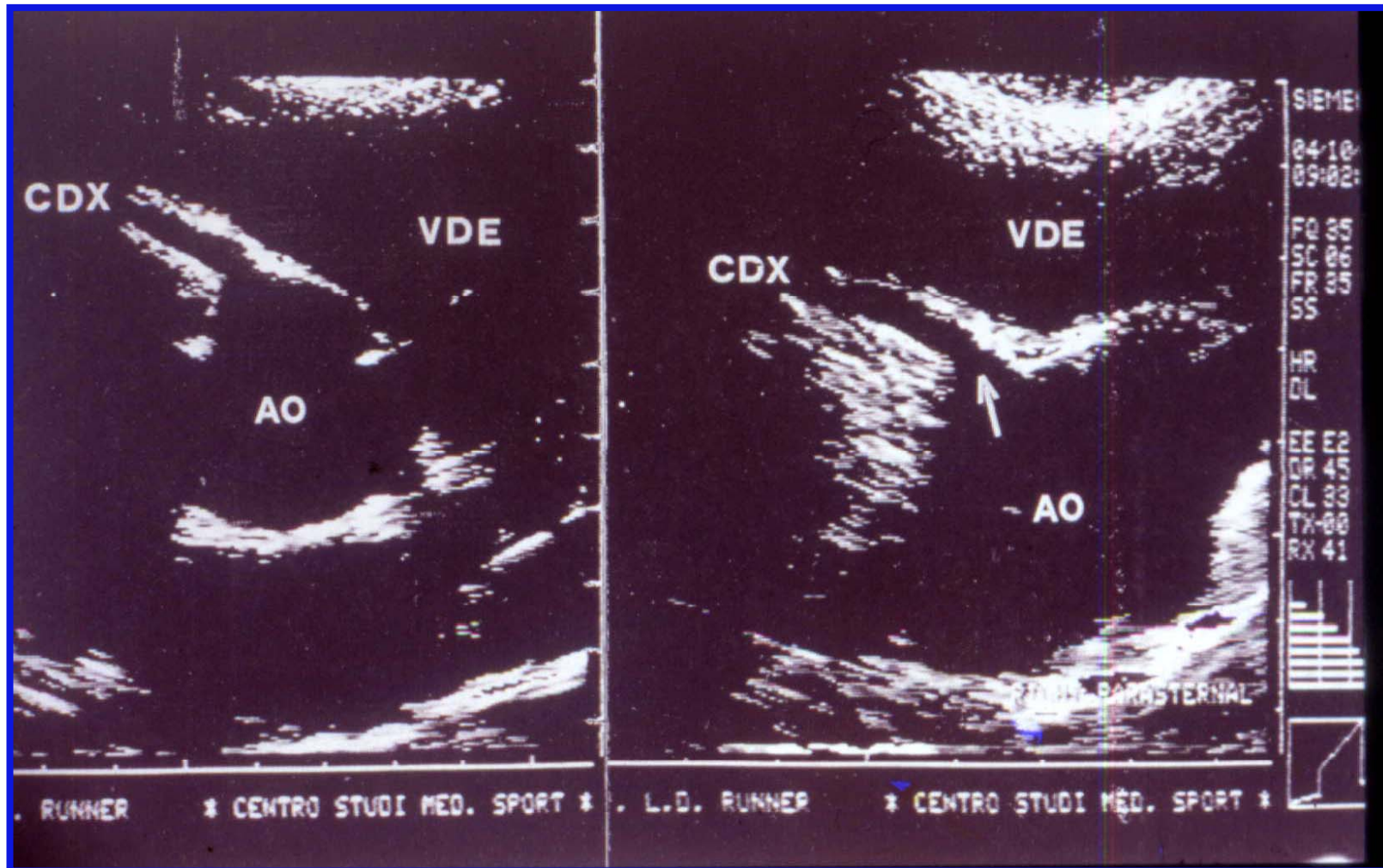
Coronary Arteries



Left Coronary in Athlete

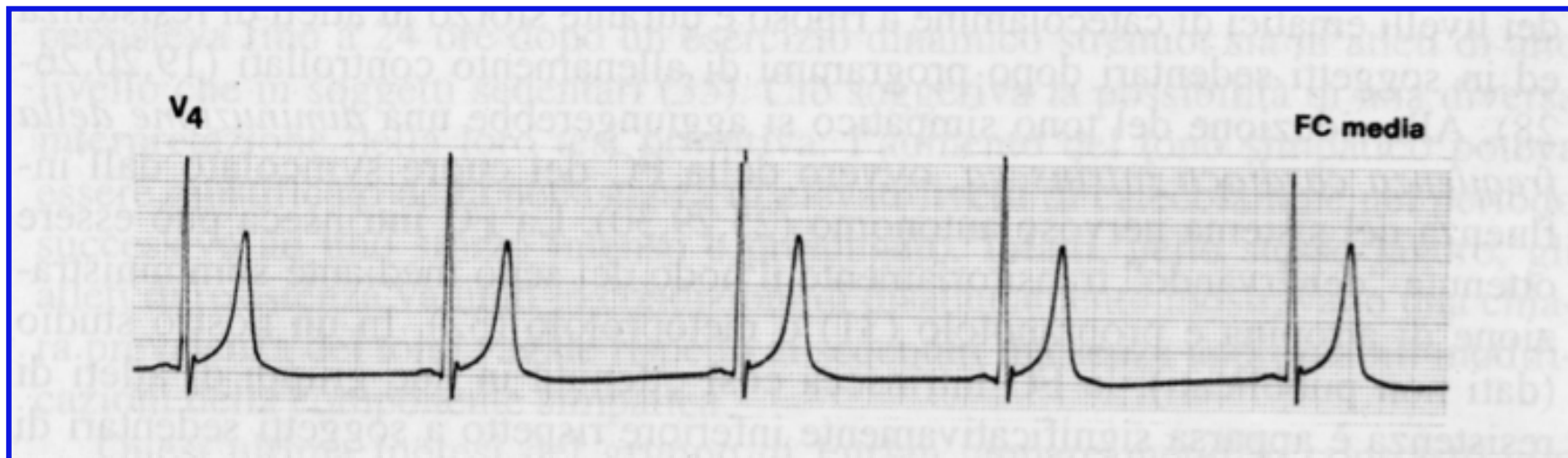


Rigth Coronary in Athlete



Cardiac Adaptation to Exercise *chronic*

Functional Heart Rate



Cardiovascular Response to Acute Exercise in trained subjects

