PBL-Third Year Medical Students

Tareq Yousef Goussous, MD, FACC 9-11-2016 A 42-year old male patient, smoker presented to the emergency department with a complaint of severe central chest pain associated with sweating, nausea and sweating.

- Cardiovascular diseases (CVDs) are the number one cause of death globally: more people die annually from CVDs than from any other cause.
- An estimated 17.5 million people died from CVDs in 2012, representing 31% of all global deaths.

- Of these deaths, an estimated 7.4 million were due to coronary heart disease and 6.7 million were due to stroke.
- Low- and middle-income countries are disproportionally affected: over 80% of CVD deaths take place in low- and middle-income countries and occur almost equally in men and women.

- The number of people who die from CVDs, mainly from heart disease and stroke, will increase to reach 23.3 million by 2030.
- CVDs are projected to remain the single leading cause of death.

Risk factors for CVDs:

- Age.
- Family history.
- Hypertension (HTN).
- Smoking.
- Daibetes Mellitus.
- Dyslipidemia.
- Physical inactivity and obesity.

- Tobacco kills up to half of its users.
- Tobacco kills nearly 6 million people each year. More than five million of those deaths are the result of direct tobacco use while more than 600,000 are the result of non-smokers being exposed to second-hand smoke.

- Unless urgent action is taken, the annual death toll could rise to more than eight million by 2030.
- Nearly 80% of the world's one billion smokers live in low- and middle-income countries.

- 347 million people worldwide have diabetes.
- In 2004, an estimated 3.4 million people died from consequences of high fasting blood sugar.
- More than 80% of diabetes deaths occur in lowand middle-income countries.

CLASSIFICATION OF BLOOD PRESSURE (BP)*			
CATEGORY	SBP MMHG		DBP MMHG
Normal	<120	and	<80
Prehypertension	120-139	0ľ	80–89
Hypertension, Stage 1	140–159	0ľ	90–99
Hypertension, Stage 2	≥160	0ľ	≥100

KNOW YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE -AND WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT

By AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION NEWS



The newest guidelines for hypertension:

NORMAL BLOOD PRESSURE

*Recommendations: Healthy lifestyle choices and yearly checks.

ELEVATED BLOOD PRESSURE

*Recommendations: Healthy lifestyle changes, reassessed in 3-6 months.

HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE / STAGE 1

*Recommendations: 10-year heart disease and stroke risk assessment. If less than 10% risk, lifestyle changes, reassessed in 3-6 months. If higher, lifestyle changes and medication with monthly follow-ups until BP controlled.

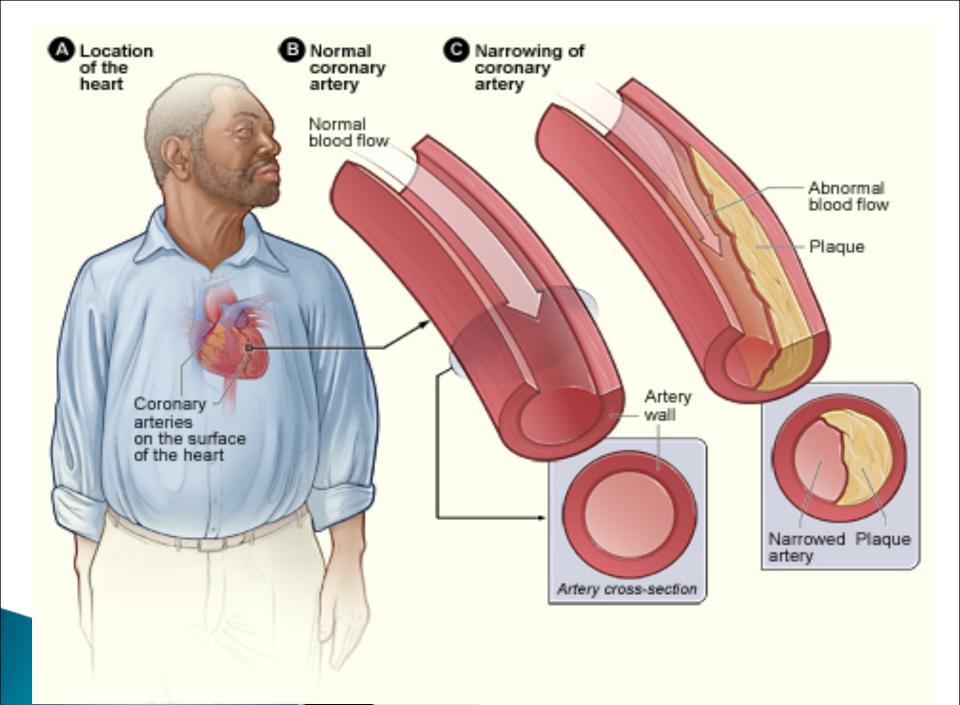
HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE / STAGE 2

*Recommendations: Lifestyle changes and 2 different classes of medicine, with monthly follow-ups until BP is controlled.

*Individual recommendations need to come from your doctor. Source: American Heart Association's journal Hypertension Published Nov. 13, 2017

- The number of people with diabetes has risen from 108 million in 1980 to 422 million in 2014.
- The global prevalence of diabetes among adults over 18 years of age has risen from 4.7% in 1980 to 8.5% in 2014
- Diabetes prevalence has been rising more rapidly in middle- and low-income countries

- Diabetes is a major cause of blindness, kidney failure, heart attacks, stroke and lower limb amputation.
- In 2012, an estimated 1.5 million deaths were directly caused by diabetes and another 2.2 million deaths were attributable to high blood glucose.



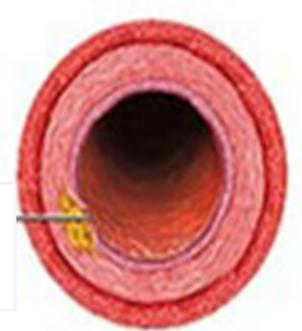
Essay Help on Lipids to Atherosclerosis

Blocked Lumen in Branch of Left Coronary Artery

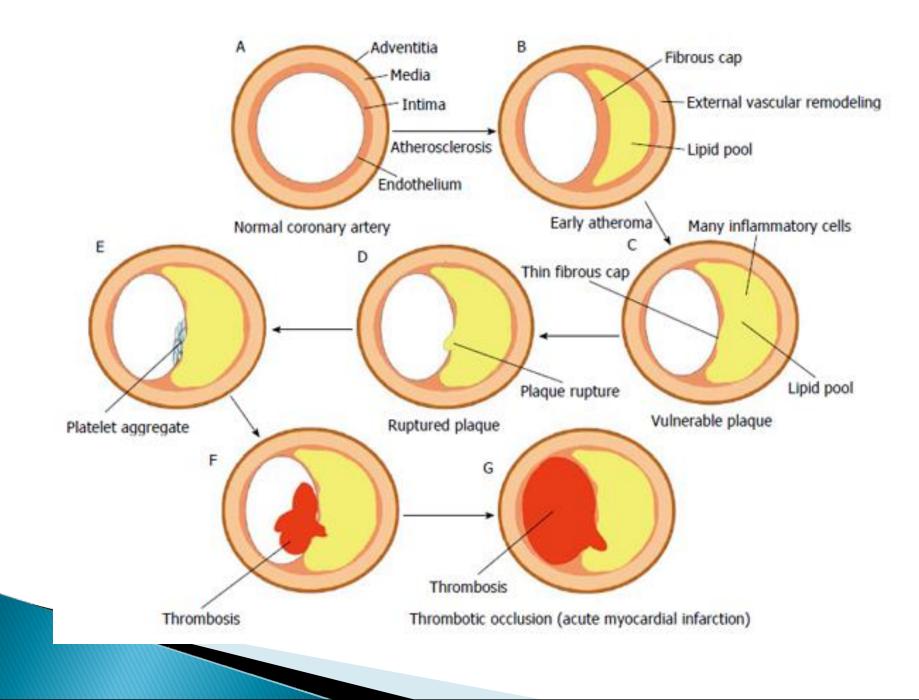
Anterior Infarct

Cross section of healthy artery

Tear in artery wall



Fatty material Is deposited on vessel wall Narrowed artery becomes blocked by blood clot



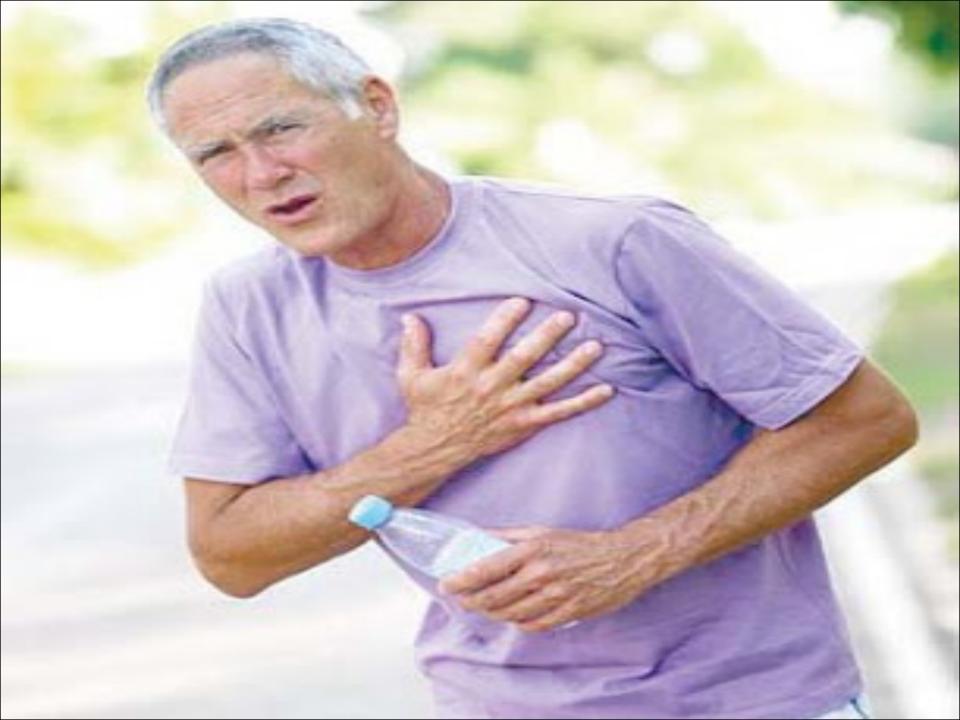
- Vulnerable plaque:
- ▶ 1- Thin fibrous cap.
- > 2 Lipid core.
- 3- Smooth muscles.
- 4- Macrophages

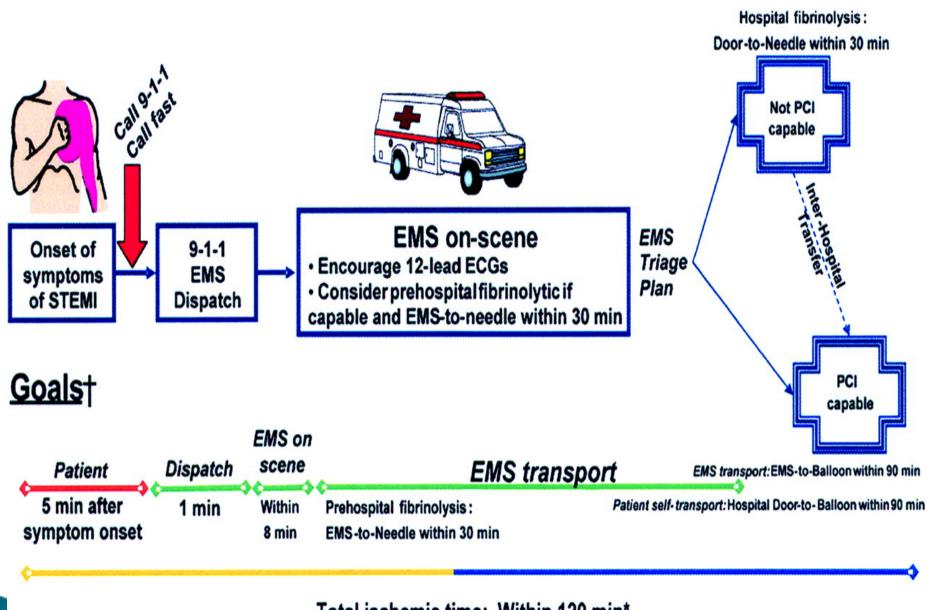
Acute coronary syndromes:

- 1- Unstable angina.
- 2-Non-ST segment elevation myocardial infarction.
- ▶ 3- ST segment myocardial infarction.

Symptoms of MI:

- Retrosternal (central) chest pain (tightness, pressure) radiation to left shoulder, arm, neck or jaw.
- Dyspnea (shortness of breath).
- Nausea or vomiting.
- Diaphoresis (sweating).
- Paplitations or lightheadedness.





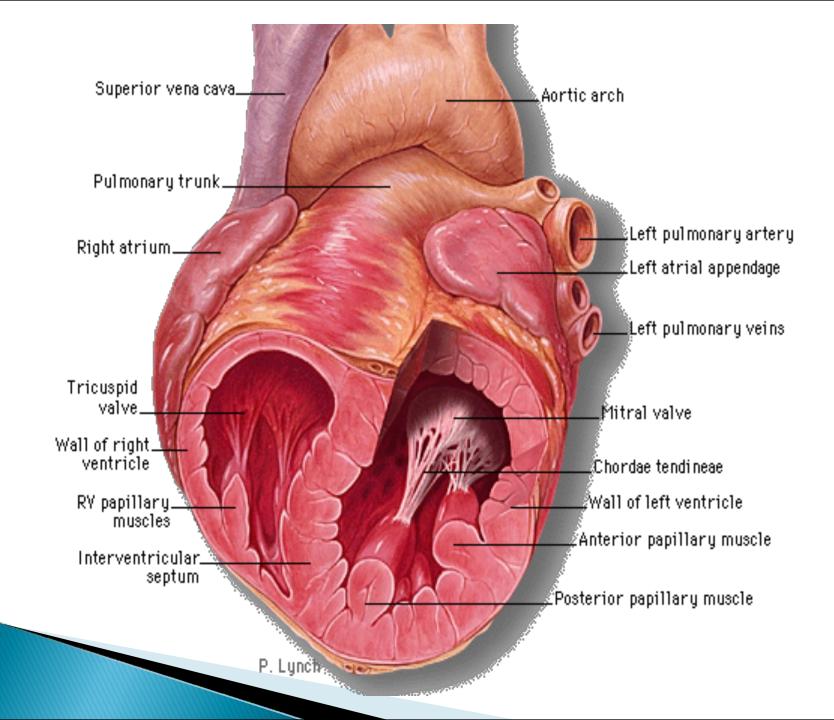
Total ischemic time: Within 120 min*

*Golden Hour = First 60 minutes

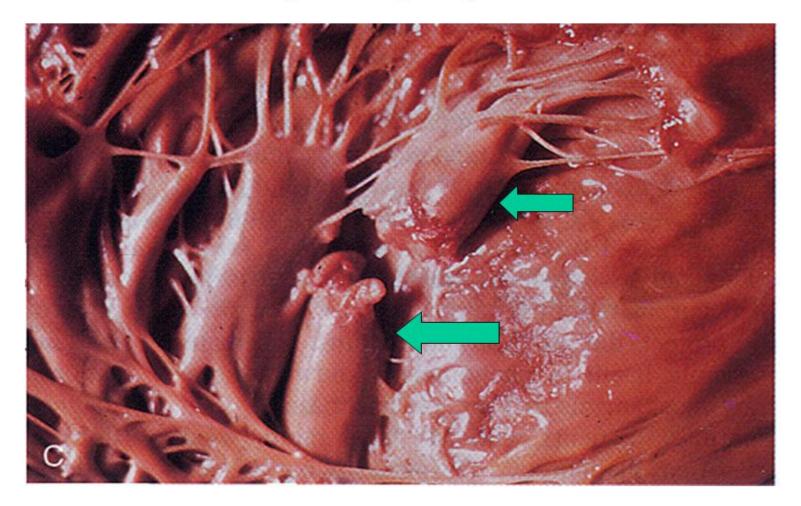
Complications of MI:

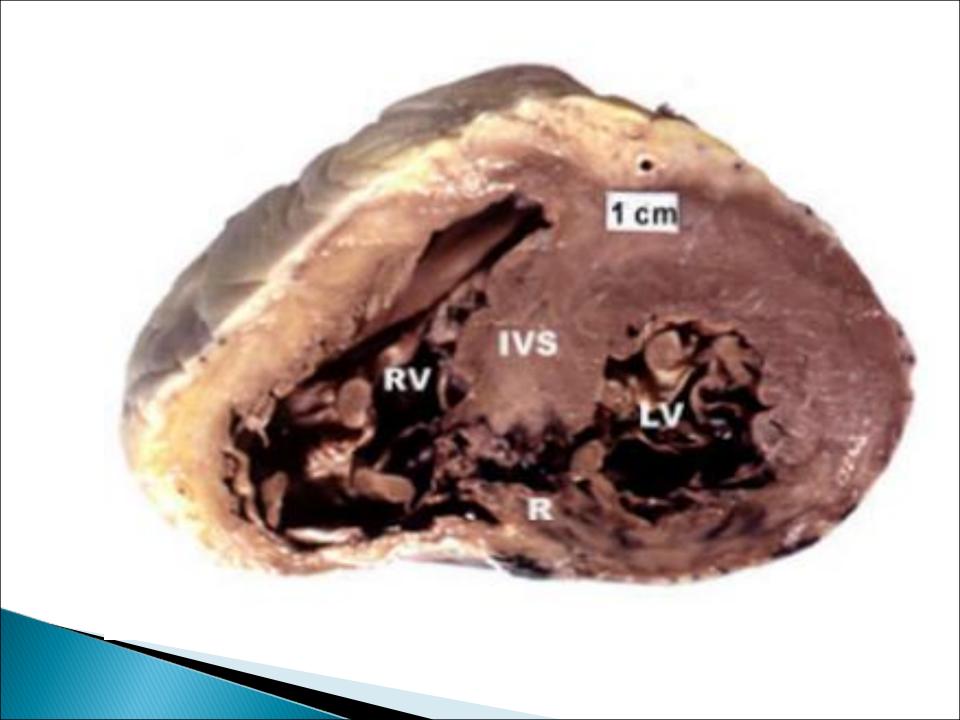
- Free wall rupture.
- Ventricular septal defect (VSD).
- Papillary muscle rupture causing mitral regurgitation.
- Cardiogenic shock (Left ventricular failure).
- Arrhythmias (VF, VT, AF).
- Ventricular aneurysm.
- Pericarditis.

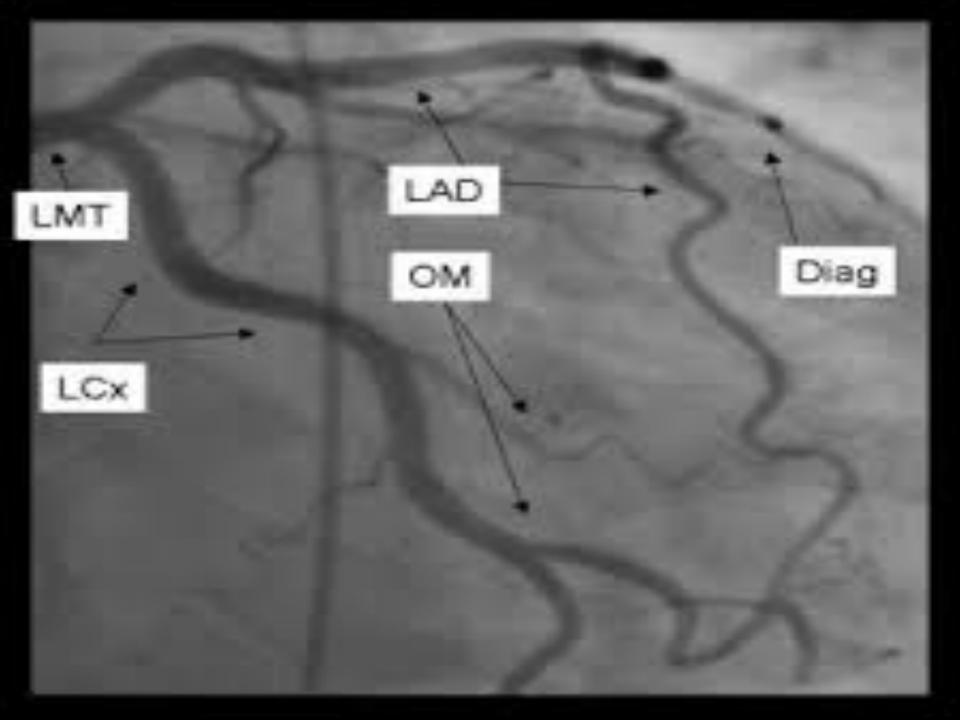




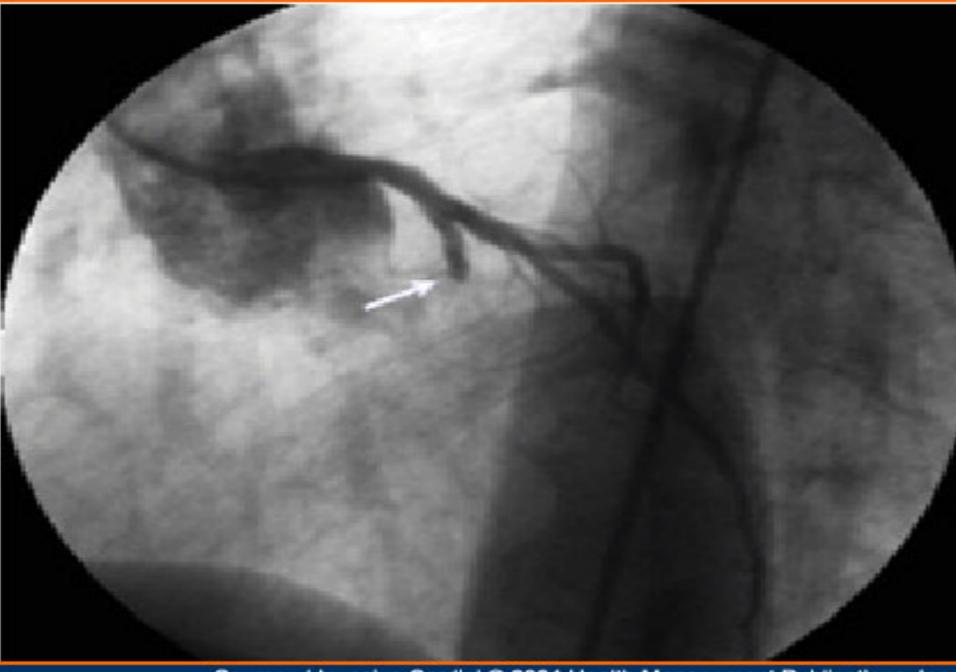
Ruptured Papillary muscle



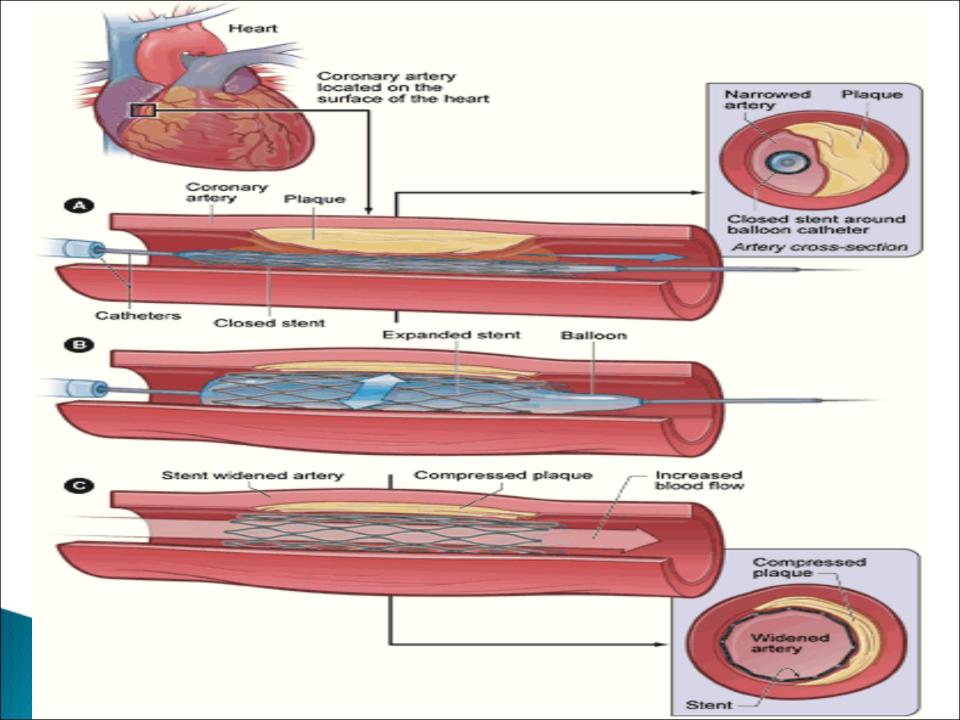




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A 60-year old male patient with past medical history of hypertension and smoking presented to the emergency room with sudden aphasia (unable to speak) and weakness in his right arm and leg. The most common symptom of a stroke is sudden weakness or numbness of the face, arm or leg, most often on one side of the body.

Other symptoms include:

- confusion.
- difficulty speaking or understanding speech.
- difficulty seeing with one or both eyes.
- difficulty walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination.
- severe headache with no known cause.
- fainting or unconsciousness.

STROKE is an Emergency. Every minute counts. ACT F.A.S.T!

