# Clinical Lecture/Seminar

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- Cardiovascular diseases (CVDs) are the number one cause of death globally: more people die annually from CVDs than from any other cause.
- An estimated 17.3 million people died from CVDs in 2008, representing 30% of all global deaths.

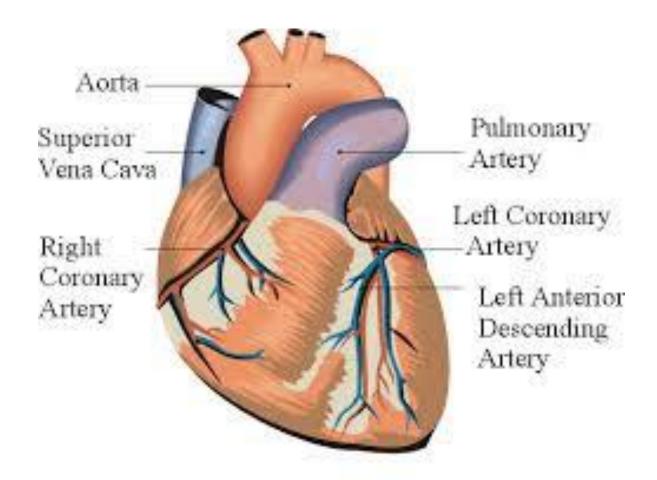
- Of these deaths, an estimated 7.3 million were due to coronary heart disease and 6.2 million were due to stroke.
- Low- and middle-income countries are disproportionally affected: over 80% of CVD deaths take place in low- and middle-income countries and occur almost equally in men and women.

- 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.

- 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.

- Acute coronary syndrome:
- Unstable angina.
- Non-ST segment elevation myocardial infarction (NSTEMI).
- ST segment elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI).



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### Risk factors for CVDs:

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

- 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.

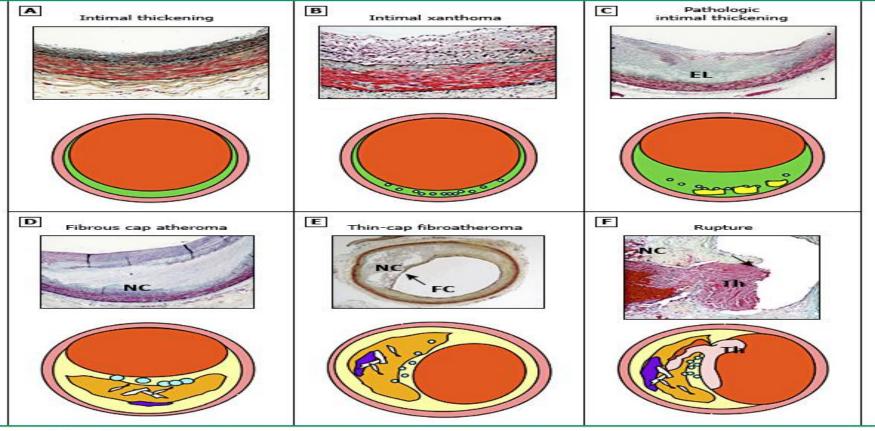
CLASSIFICATION OF BLOOD PRESSURE (BP)\*

CATEGORY	SBP MMHG		DBP mmHg
Normal	<120	and	<80
Prehypertension	120-139	or	80-89
Hypertension, Stage 1	140–159	or	90–99
Hypertension, Stage 2	≥160	or	≥100

- Most acute coronary syndromes (ACS) are believed to result from the loss of integrity of a protective covering over an atherosclerotic plaque; this occurs with plaque rupture or erosion.
- This disruption of the protective covering allows blood to come in contact with the highly thrombogenic contents of the necrotic core/collagen of the plaque and luminal thrombosis to occur.

Intraluminal thrombosis after exposure of the blood to calcified nodules has also been observed.

#### Progression of human coronary atherosclerosis I



Histopathology of human coronary plaque progression, part 1 of 2.

(A) Intimal thickening is normal in all age groups and is characterized by smooth muscle cell accumulation within the intima.

(B) Intimal xanthoma or so-called fatty streak corresponds to the accumulation of predominantly macrophages within the intima; these lesions have been shown to regress in later adult life.

(C) Pathologic intimal thickening marks the first of the progressive lesions and denotes the accumulation of extracellular lipid in the absence of apparent necrosis.

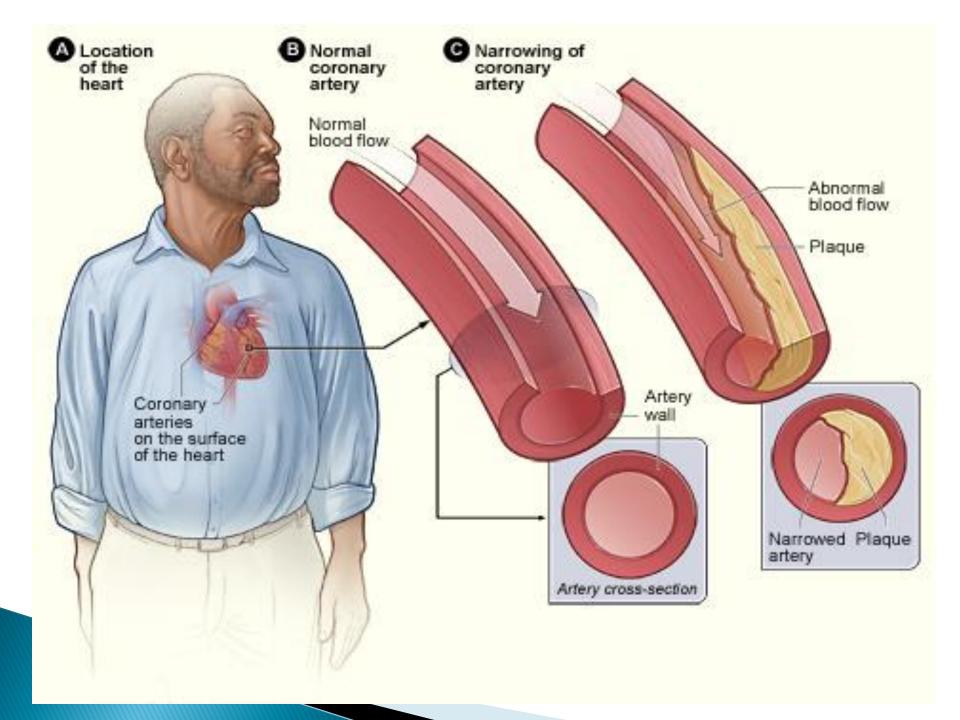
(D) Fibrous cap atheroma indicates the presence of an encapsulated necrotic core.

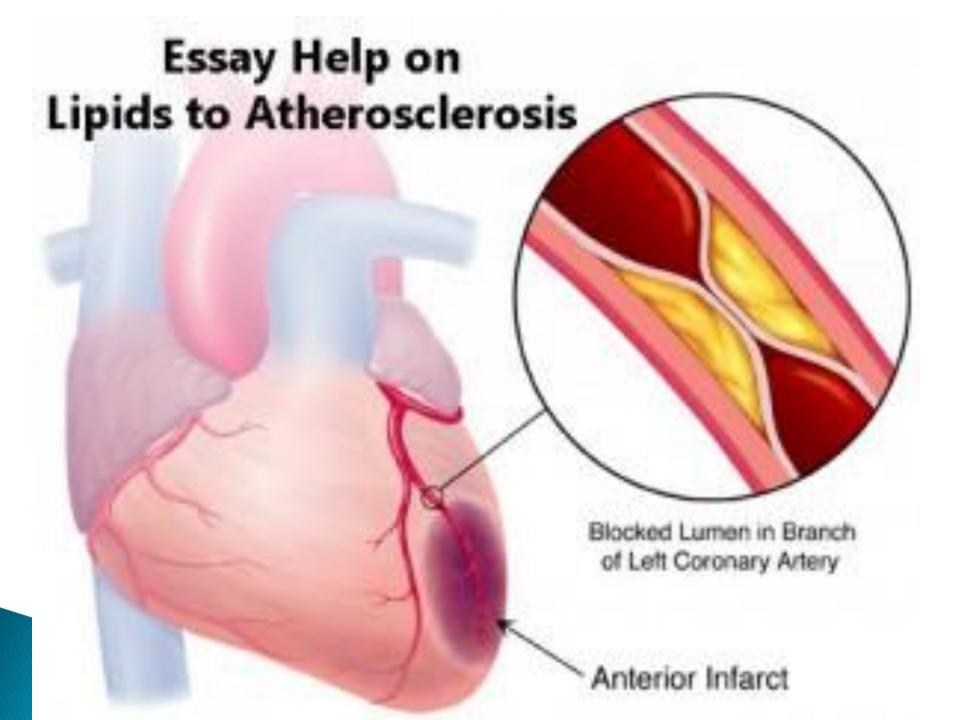
(E) The core may eventually become thinned (thin-cap fibroatheroma).

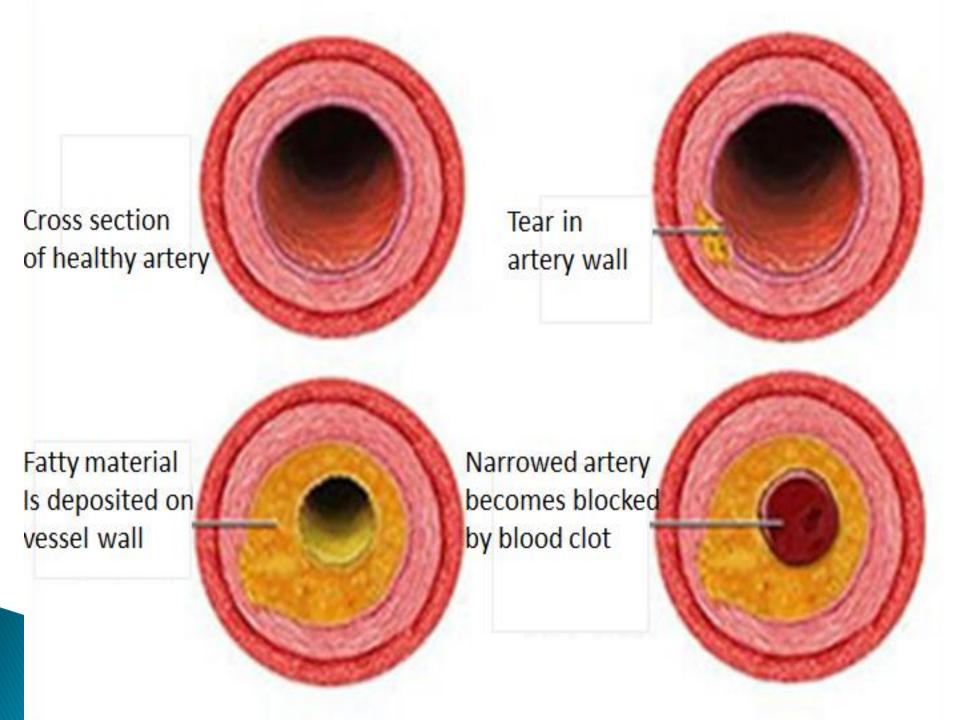
(F) This lesion may rupture, allowing contact of the contents of the necrotic core, causing a luminal thrombosis.

EL: extracellular lipid; NC: necrotic core; FC: fibrous cap; Th: thrombus.

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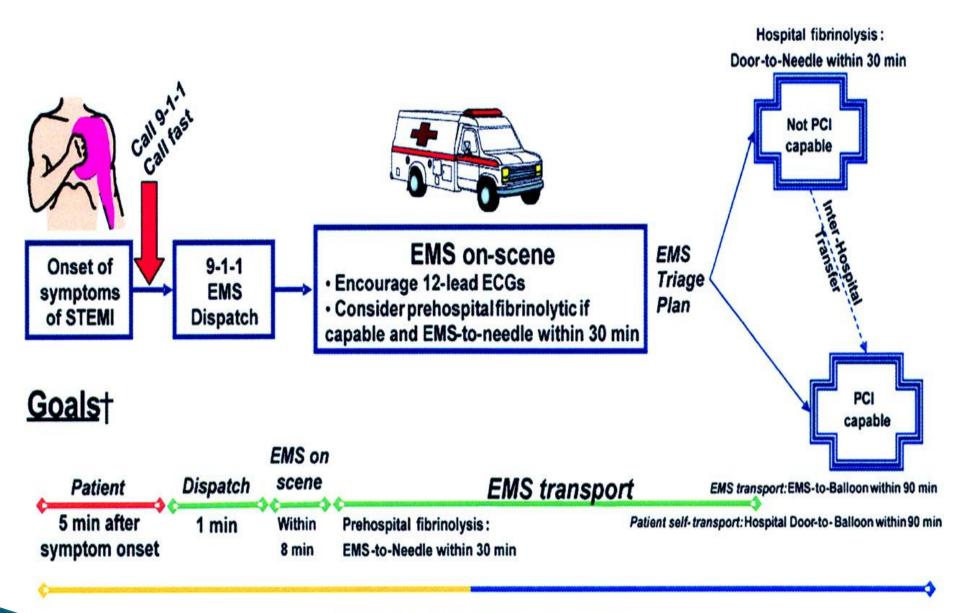




### Symptoms of MI:

- 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.



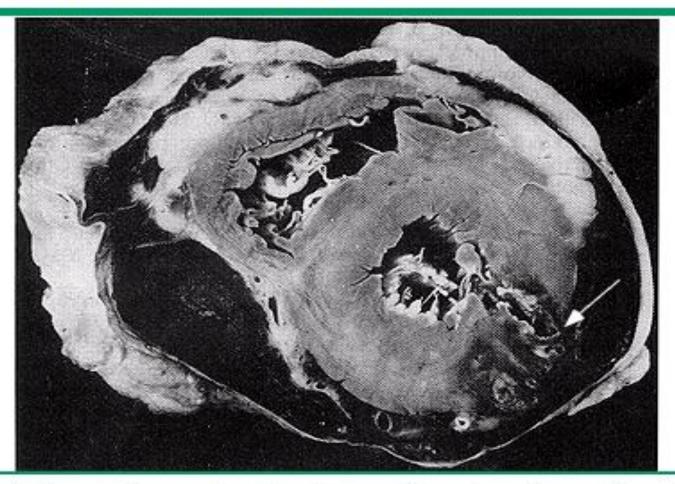


Total ischemic time: Within 120 min\*

\*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.

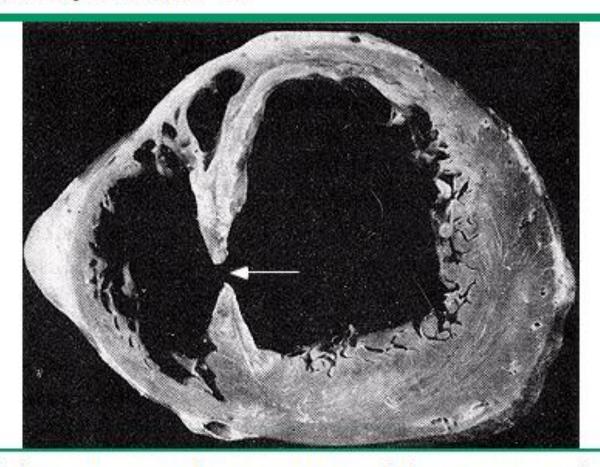
#### Left ventricular free wall rupture after MI



Pathologic specimen showing free wall rupture (arrow) and hemopericardium after a myocardial infarction.

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#### Septal rupture after MI



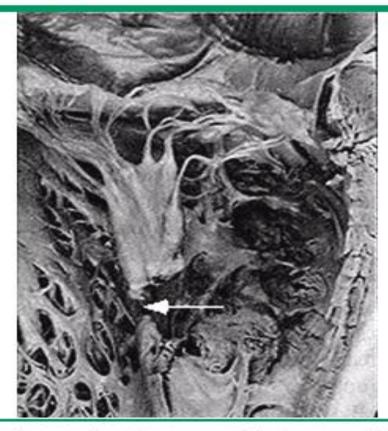
Pathologic specimen showing rupture of the interventricular septum (arrow) after a myocardial infarction.

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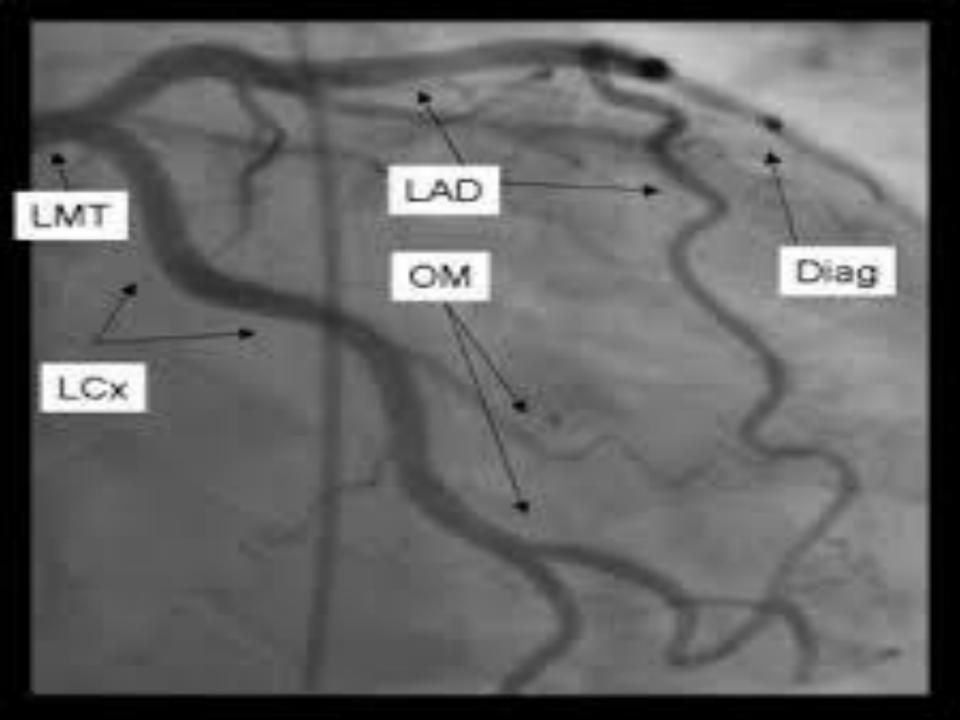
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#### Papillary muscle rupture after MI

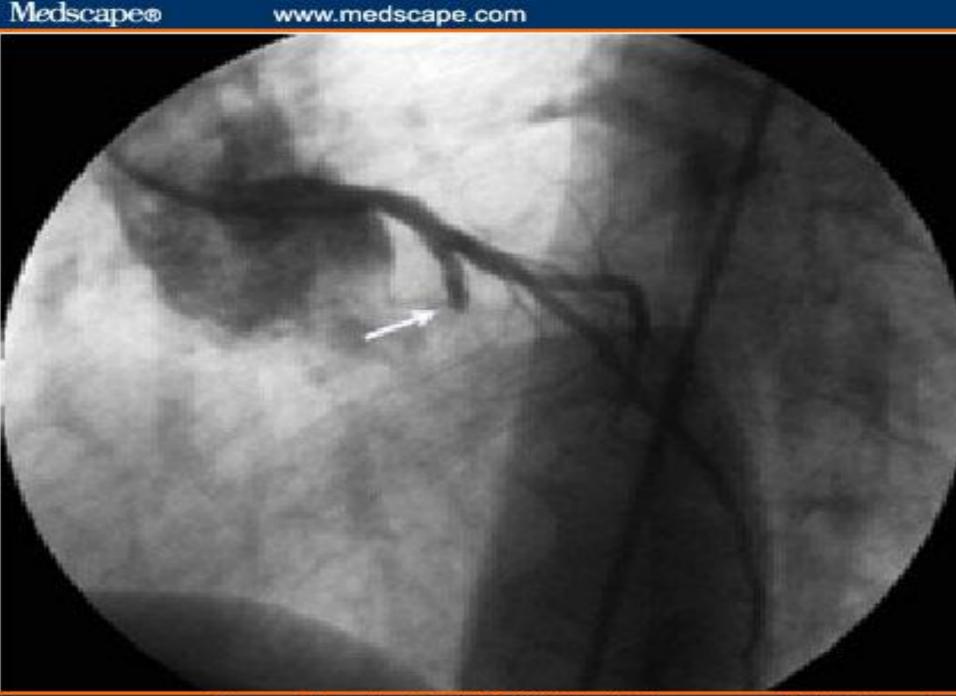


Pathologic specimen showing complete transection of papillary muscle (arrow) after an acute myocardial infarction. The patient died with severe mitral regurgitation.

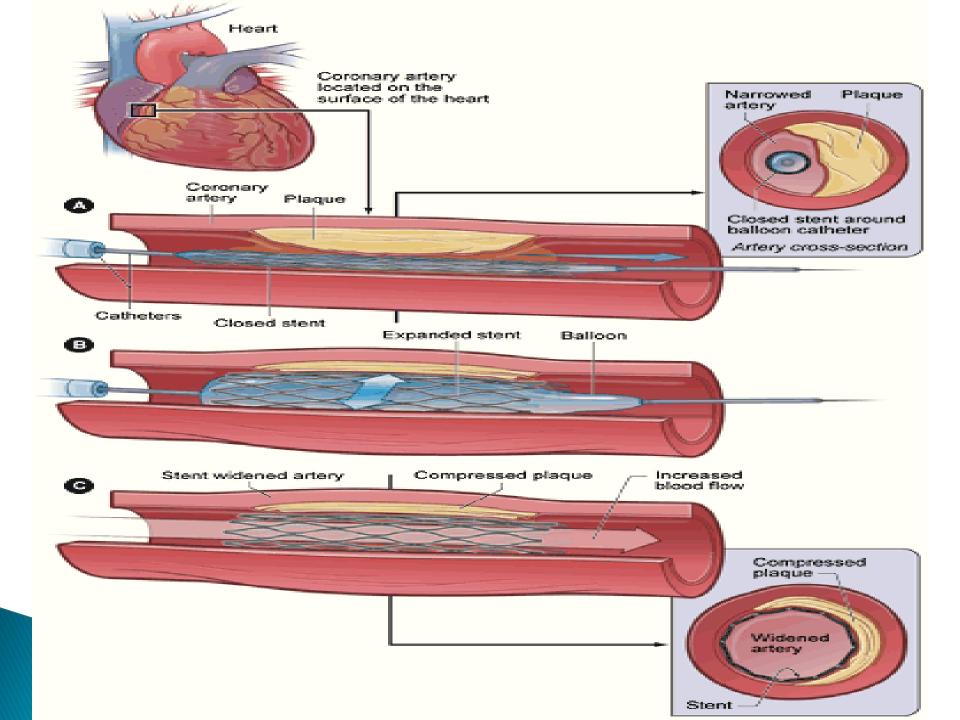
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# Case

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.

- Stroke (cerebrovascular accident) is classified into two major types:
- Brain ischemia due to thrombosis, embolism, or systemic hypoperfusion.
- Brain hemorrhage due to intracerebral hemorrhage or subarachnoid hemorrhage.

- A stroke is the acute neurologic injury that occurs as a result of one of these pathologic processes.
- Approximately <u>80 percent</u> of strokes are due to ischemic cerebral infarction and <u>20 percent</u> to brain hemorrhage.

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.



Sudden numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg, especially on one side of the body



Sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding



Sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes



Sudden trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination



Sudden, severe headache with no known cause

## STROKE is an Emergency. Every minute counts.

# ACT F.A.S.T!



### FACE

Does one side of the face droop? Ask the person to smile.



### ARMS

Is one arm weak or numb? Ask the person to raise both arms. Does one arm drift downward?



## SPEECH

Is speech slurred?

Ask the person to repeat
a simple sentence. Is the
sentence repeated correctly?



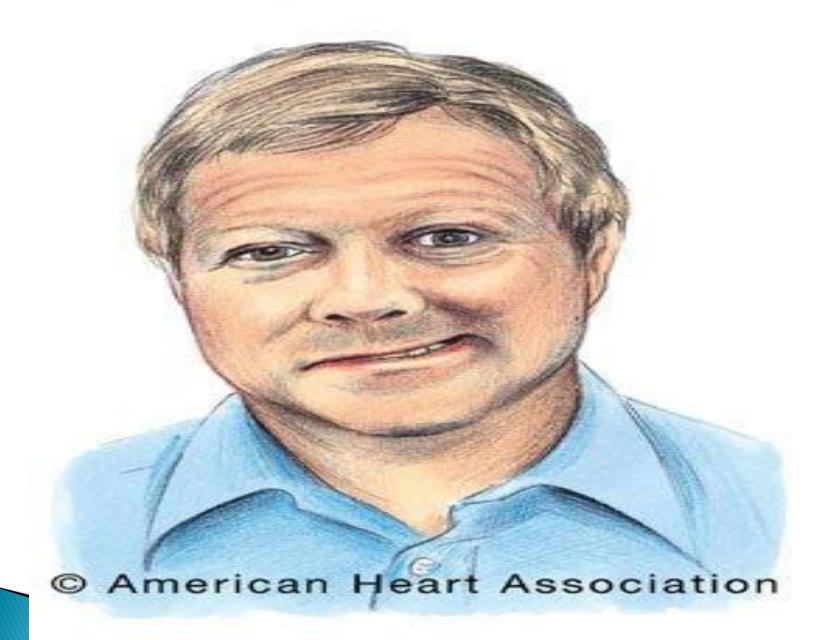
TIME

If the person shows any of these symptoms, Call 911 or get to the hospital immediately.

# SPOT A STROKE



Stroke Warning Signs and Symptoms





# Thank you for your attention