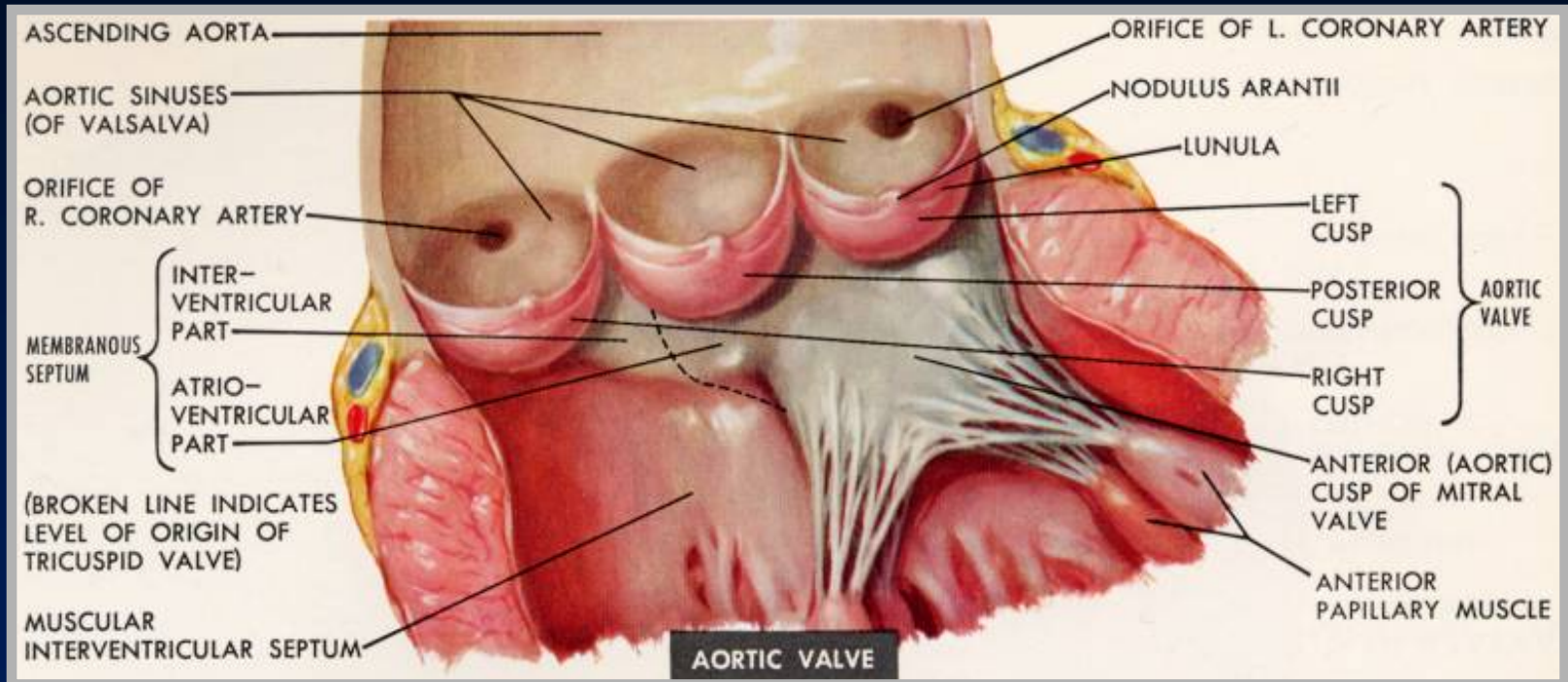


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Miscellaneous Cardiac Diseases

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Sinus of Valsalva Aneurysm



Types

- **Congenital**
- **Inherited**
- **Acquired**

Sinus of Valsalva Aneurysm Congenital

- **Usual type**
- **Involves a single cusp**
- **Most often arise from R coronary sinus**

Sinus of Valsalva Aneurysm Inherited

- **Associated with Marfan's Disease**
- **All cusps involved**
- **Produce aortic regurgitation**

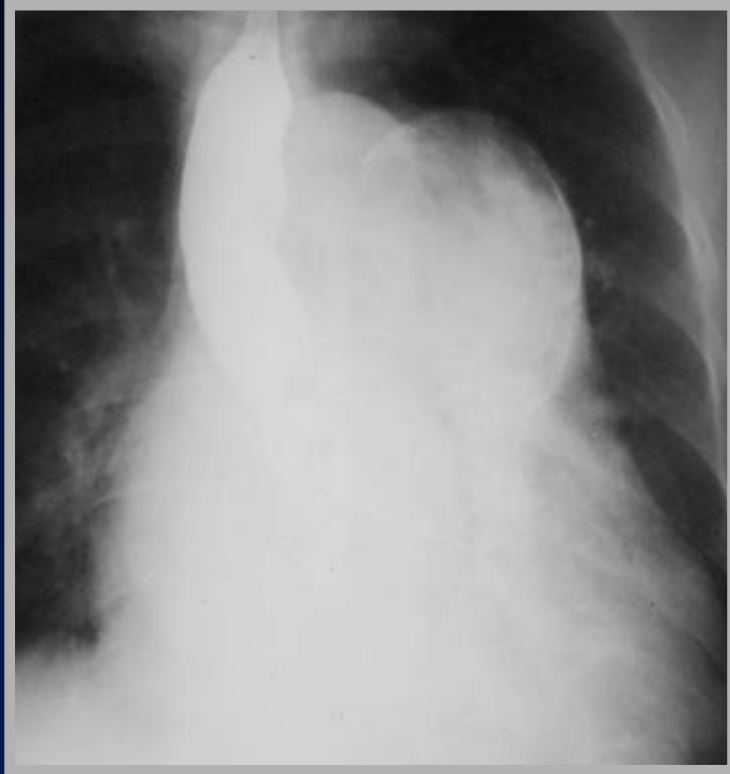
Sinus of Valsalva Aneurysm Acquired

- Usually 2° to endocarditis of aortic valve
- Other causes
 - Syphilis
 - Atherosclerosis
 - Dissecting aneurysm
 - Marfan's

Sinus of Valsalva Aneurysm

X-ray Findings

- **Since aortic root is intracardiac, usual aneurysm is not visible**
- **Rarely, a large aneurysm of L aortic sinus → bulge L upper heart border in region of LA appendage**

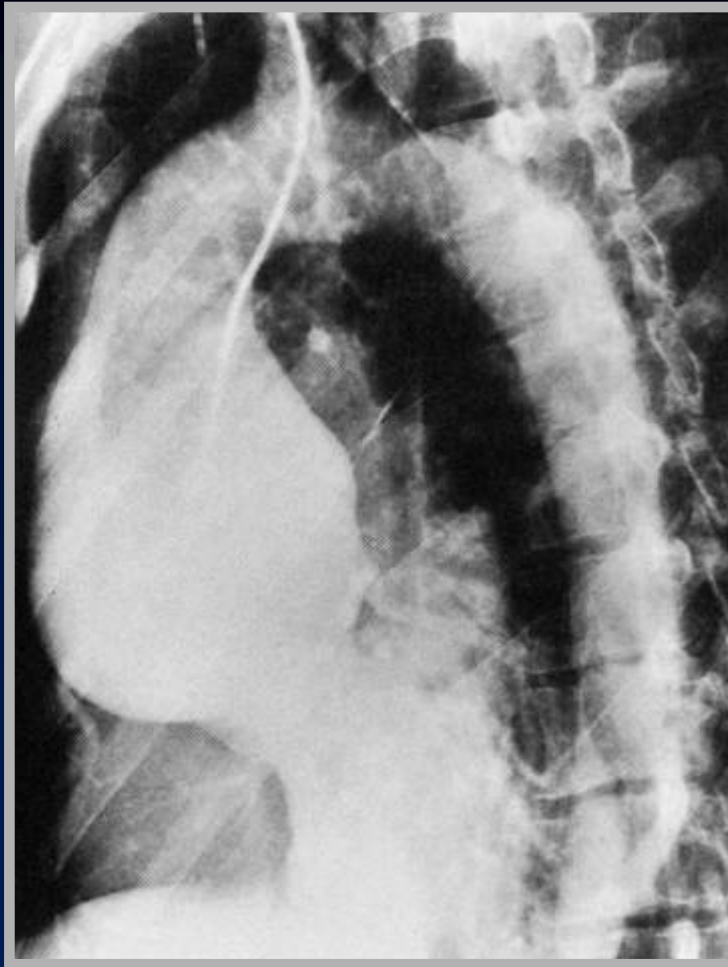


Sinus of Valsalva Aneurysm

Sinus of Valsalva Aneurysm

Other X-ray Findings

- **Rarely, a large aneurysm of the R aortic sinus → bulge on R heart border**
- **Usually the aneurysm dilates the aortic ring → AI**



**Aneurysm of Sinus of Valsalva and Proximal
Ascending Aorta = annuloaortic ectasia**

Ruptured Sinus of Valsalva Aneurysm

Ruptured Sinus of Valsalva Aneurysm Congenital vs. Acquired

- **Congenital forms (usually R sided) always produce an intracardiac fistula**
 - **Most congenital aneurysms rupture during third or fourth decade of life**
- **Acquired forms can produce either intra- or extracardiac fistulae**

Ruptured Sinus of Valsalva Aneurysm General

- May rupture → aortic-cardiac fistula
 - L → R shunt usually
- Most ruptures involve R coronary sinus
 - Into R ventricle
- Posterior (non-coronary) aortic sinus ruptures occasionally
 - Into R atrium



Ruptured Sinus of Valsalva Aneurysm General

- Rupture of aneurysms of L sinus are very rare
 - May rupture into the pericardial space



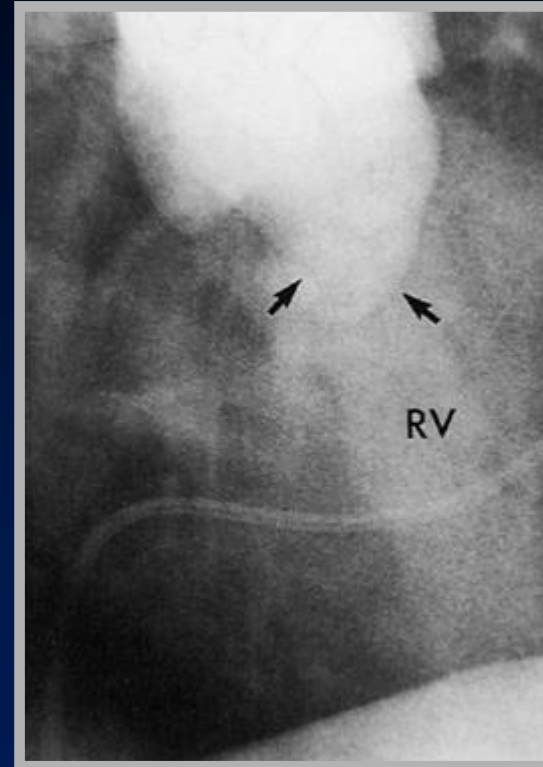
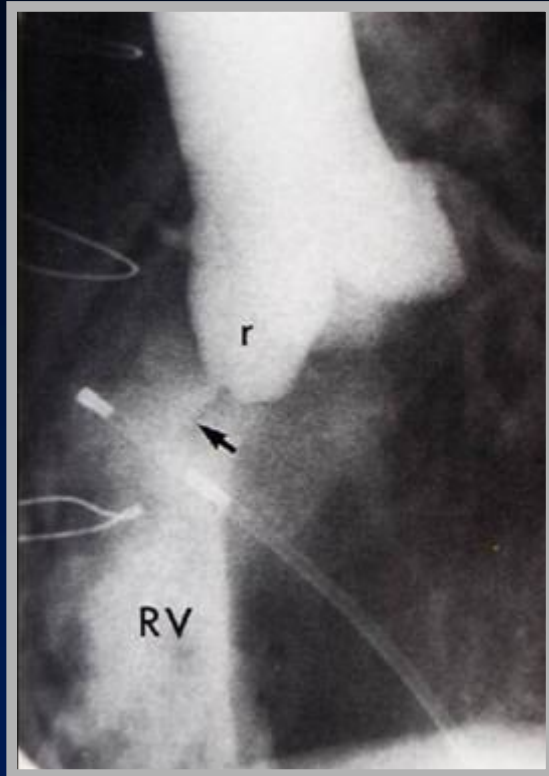
Ruptured Sinus of Valsalva Aneurysm Clinical

- Symptoms due to sudden onset of massive aortic regurg or L → R shunt
 - Acute onset of SOB
 - Chest pain
 - Acute onset of murmur
 - CHF
 - Death

Ruptured Sinus of Valsalva Aneurysm

X-ray Findings

- Acute CHF
- Followed by L → R shunt
- With rupture of L sinus, LA may suddenly enlarge



Two cases of rupture of right coronary sinus into RV

Congenital Defect in the Pericardium

Congenital Pericardial Defect

Embryogenesis

- **Premature atrophy of left duct of Cuvier (cardinal vein)**
- **Failure of nourishment of left pleuro-pericardial membrane → failure of pericardium to develop**

Congenital Pericardial Defect General

- **Male:female ratio of 3:1**
- **May be detected at any age**
 - **Most common in low 20's**

Congenital Pericardial Defect Location

- Foraminal defect on left side 35%
- Complete absence of left side gives levoposition of heart 35%
- Diaphragmatic surface 17%
- Total bilateral absence 9%
- Right sided 4%

Congenital Pericardial Defect Associations

- **Bronchogenic cysts**
- **VSD, PDA, mitral stenosis**
- **Diaphragmatic hernia**
- **Sequestration**

Congenital Pericardial Defect

Clinical

- **Mostly asymptomatic**
- **May have:**
 - **Tachycardia**
 - **Palpitations**
 - **Right bundle block**
 - **Positional discomfort lying on left side**
 - **Chest pain**

Congenital Pericardial Defect

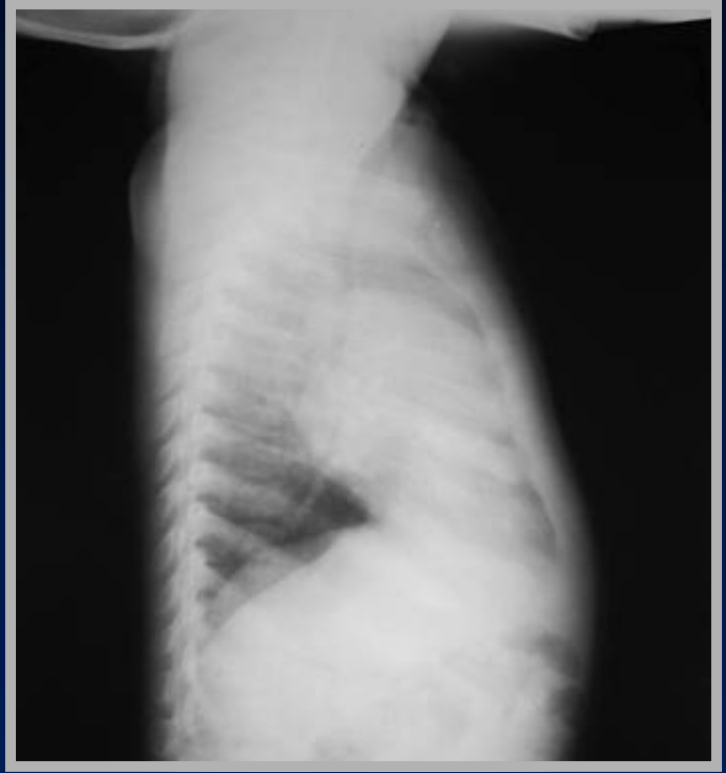
X-ray Findings

- **Focal bulge in area of main pulmonary artery**
- **Sharply marginated**
- **Lung may interpose between heart-left hemidiaphragm**
- **Increased distance between sternum and heart 2° absence of sternopericardial ligament**

Congenital Pericardial Defect

X-ray Findings-Continued

- **Levoposition of heart**
- **Pneumopericardium following pneumothorax**



Congenital Defect in the Pericardium

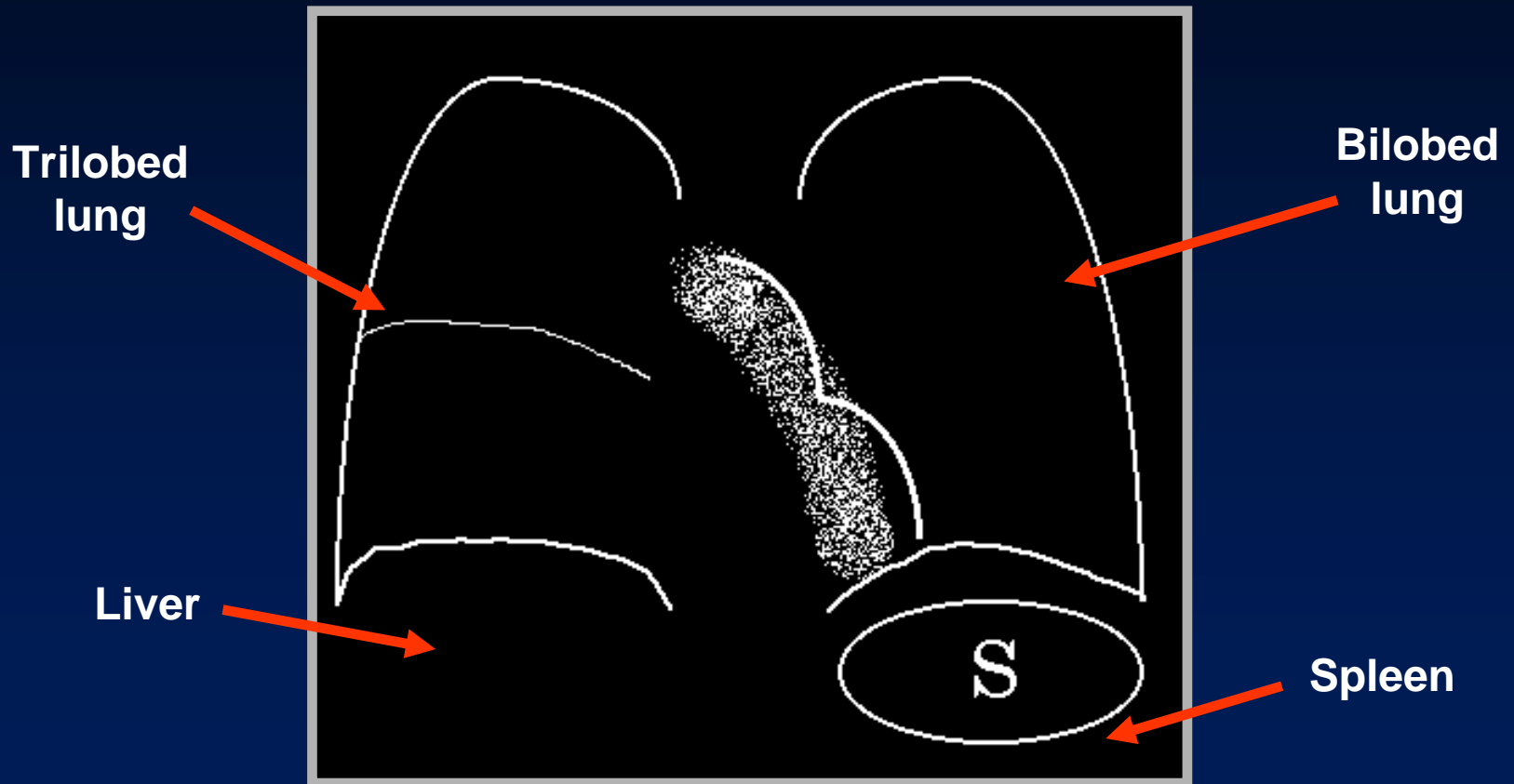
Congenital Pericardial Defect Treatment

- **Since herniation and strangulation of left atrial appendage or herniation of LA/LV may occur**
- **Foraminal defect requires surgery**

Cardiac Malpositions

Heterotaxy Syndromes

Trilobed and Bilobed Lungs



Naming Rules

- **Since anatomic side (i.e. “left” or “right”) in complex lesions is frequently reversed or indeterminate**
- **Naming conventions for**
 - **Atria**
 - **AV valves**
 - **Ventricles**
 - **Ventricular outflow tracts**

The Rules

How the atria are named

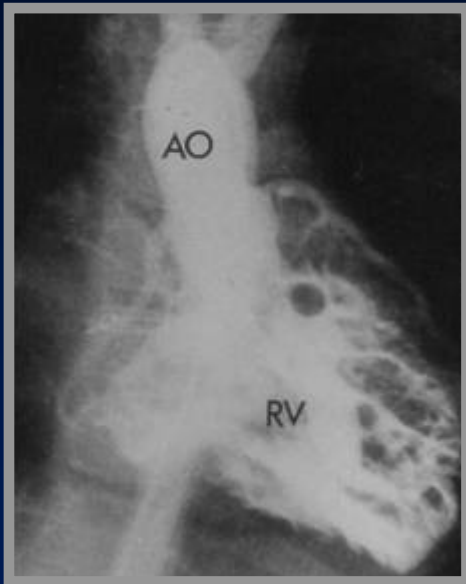
- **Anatomic right atrium is on side of trilobed lung and liver**
 - **Shape of atrial appendage-broad and pyramidal**
 - **Same side as IVC**
- **Anatomic left atrium is on side of bilobed lung and spleen**
 - **Shape of atrial appendage-thin c narrow neck**
 - **Same side as aortic arch**

The Rules

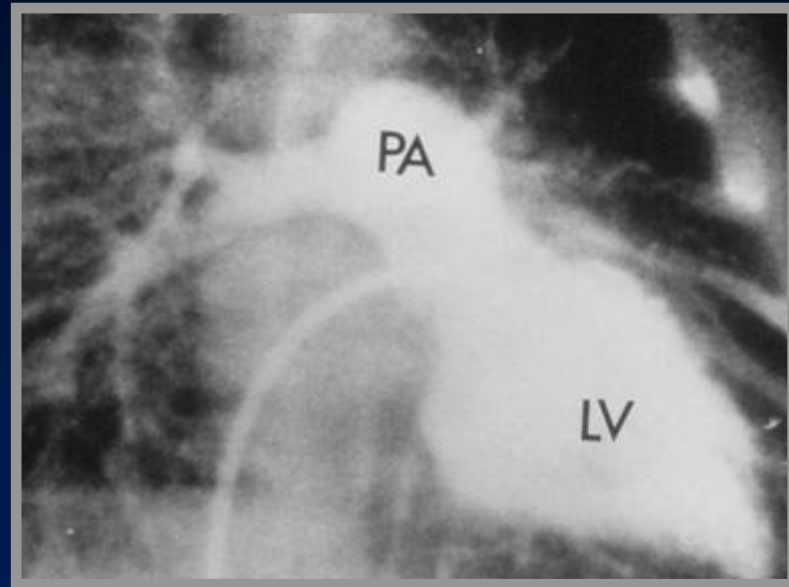
How the ventricles are named

- **Anatomic right ventricle is trabeculated ventricle**
 - Coarse in both systole and diastole
 - Has tricuspid AV valve
- **Anatomic left ventricle is smooth-walled ventricle**
 - In diastole; fine trabeculations in systole
 - Has bicuspid AV valve

Anatomic Ventricles



**Trabeculated ventricle-
Anatomic Right**



**Smooth ventricle-
Anatomic Left**

The Rules

Mitral and tricuspid valves

- **Tricuspid valve belongs to anatomic right ventricle**
 - **Not right atrium**
- **Mitral valve belongs to anatomic left ventricle**
 - **Not left atrium**

AV Connections

Concordance

- **Ventricles are concordant to the atria**
 - **When R atrium connects to R ventricle**
 - **L atrium connects to L ventricle**
- **Ventricles are discordant to the atria**
 - **When R atrium connects to L ventricle**
 - **When L atrium connects to R ventricle**
- **With atrial isomerism, AV connections are ambiguous**

The Rules

Aortic and pulmonic valves

- **Pulmonic valve is part of pulmonary artery**
 - **Not anatomic right ventricle**
- **Aortic valve is part of aorta**
 - **Not anatomic left ventricle**
- **Pulmonic infundibulum is part of anatomic right ventricle**

Anatomic R atrium is on side of trilobed lung-same side as IVC

Tricuspid valve belongs to anatomic RV

Pulmonic infundibulum belongs to anatomic RV

Pulmonic valve belongs to pulmonary artery

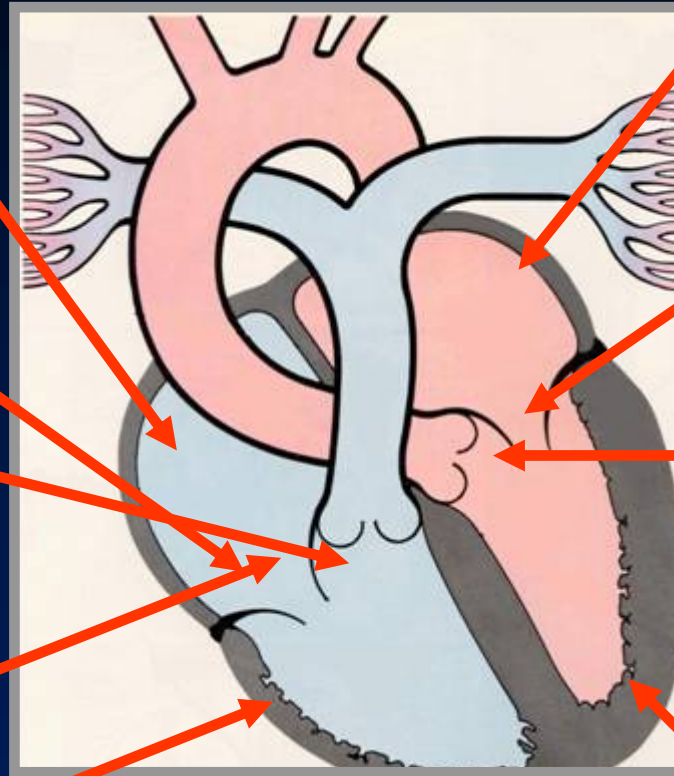
Anatomic R ventricle is trabeculated

Anatomic L atrium is on side of bilobed lung-same side as Ao arch

Mitral valve belongs to anatomic LV

Aortic valve belongs to aorta

Anatomic L ventricle is smooth



Situs Definitions

- Describes position of asymmetric organs in body
 - Lungs
 - Liver
 - Spleen
 - Stomach

Situs Solitus

- **Normal anatomic relationships**

Right side

Trilobed lung

Eparterial bronchus

Anatomic right atrium

Liver

Left side

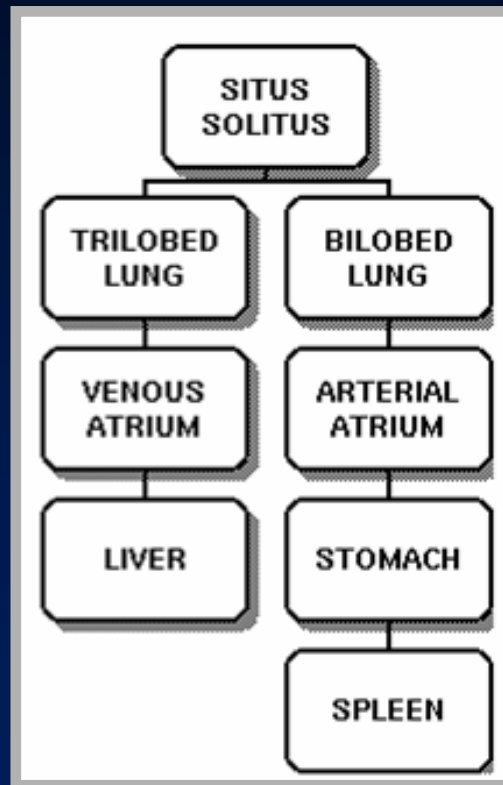
Bilobed lung

Hyparterial bronchus

Anatomic left atrium

Spleen

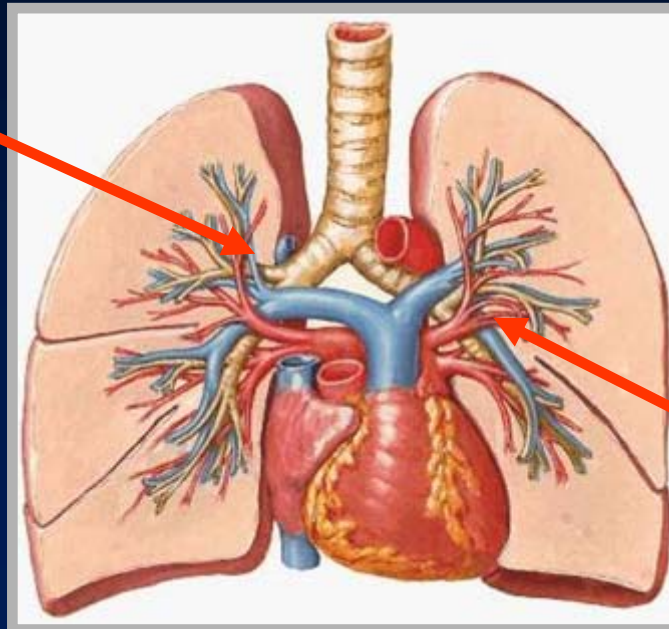
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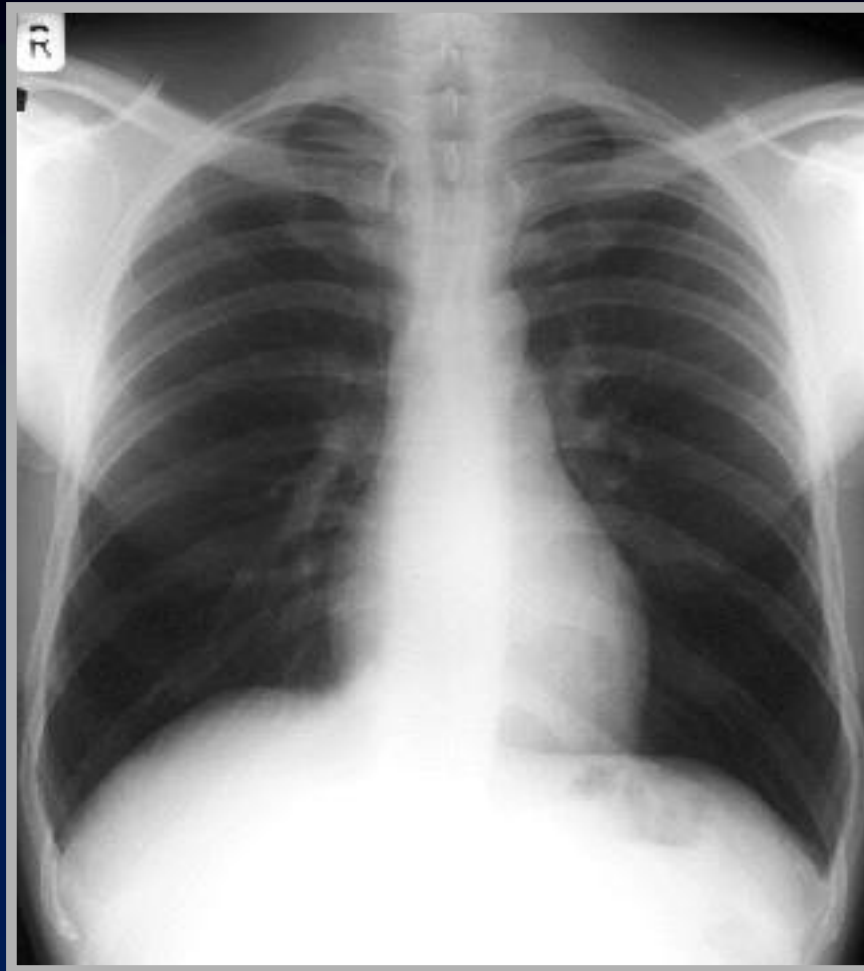
Situs Solitus

Hyparterial/Eparterial Bronchi

Eparterial bronchus-
First branch of Right
mainstem bronchus
is above pulmonary
artery



**Hyparterial
bronchus-**
First branch of Left
mainstem bronchus
is below pulmonary
artery



Situs Solitus
0.6 - 0.8% CHD

Situs Inversus

- **Reversed anatomic relationships**

Right side

Bilobed lung

Hyperarterial bronchus

Anatomic left atrium

Spleen

Left side

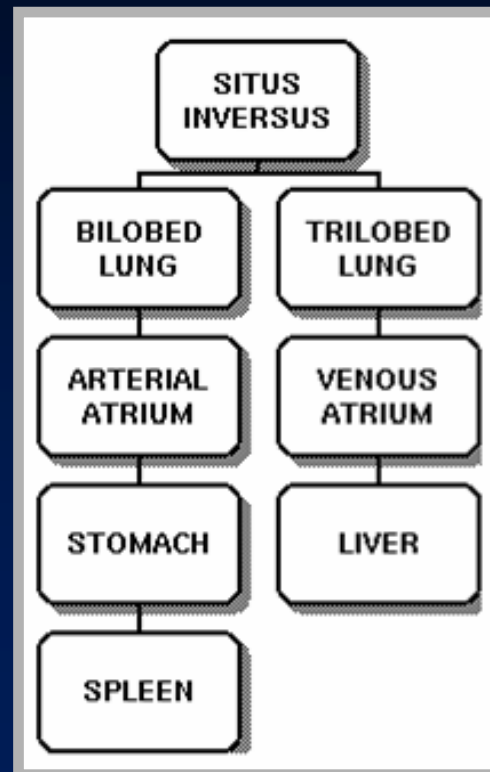
Trilobed lung

Eparterial bronchus

Anatomic right atrium

Liver

Situs Inversus



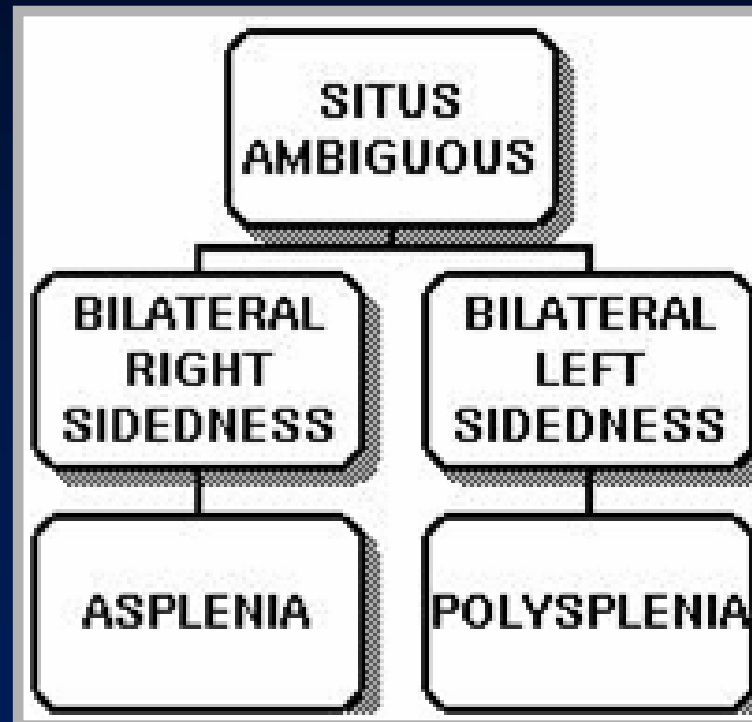
Situs Ambiguous

- Lungs and abdomen are symmetric so right and left sides can't be defined
 - Isomerism-both atria have the same features
 - ◆ Either right or left
 - Two kinds of situs ambiguous
 - ◆ Bilateral right-sidedness
 - ◆ Bilateral left-sidedness

Situs Ambiguous Heterotaxy Syndrome

- **Bilateral right-sidedness**
 - Since, spleen is usually on left side
 - No spleen
 - ◆ Asplenia syndrome
- **Bilateral left-sidedness**
 - Since, spleen is usually on left side
 - Many spleens
 - ◆ Polysplenia syndrome

Situs Ambiguous



Cardiac Positions

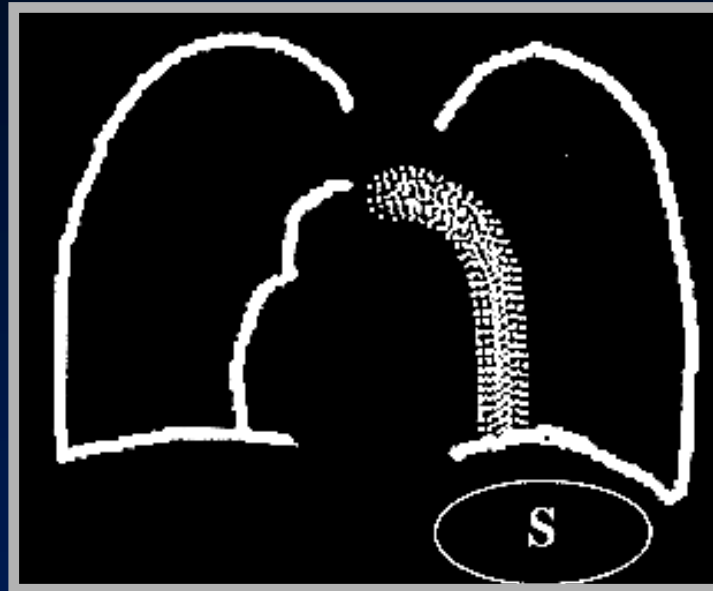
- **Position of cardiac apex**
 - Levocardia on the left
 - Dextrocardia on the right
 - Mesocardia in the midline
- **Cardiac malposition**
 - Anything other than situs solitus with levocardia

Cardiac Malpositions

Types

- **Situs solitus with dextrocardia**
- **Situs inversus with levocardia**
- **Situs inversus with dextrocardia**

Situs Solitus with Dextrocardia



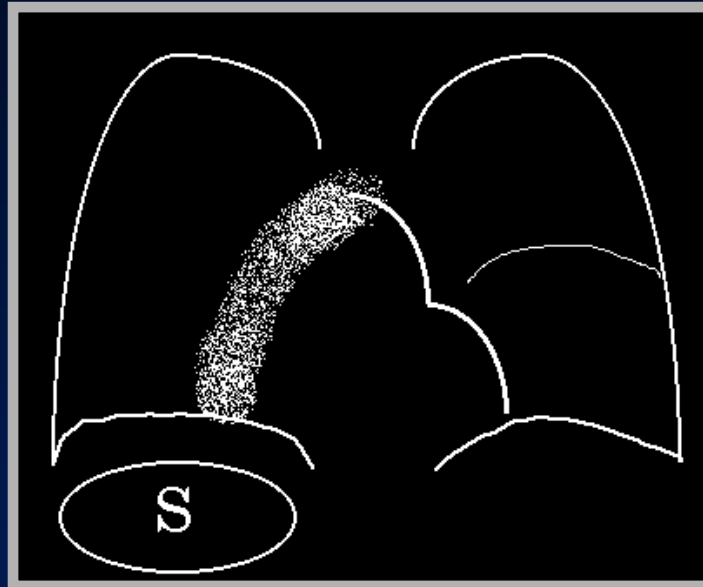
95% chance of CHD of which 80% corrected transposition
If cyanotic with \uparrow flow, then tricuspid atresia.
If cyanotic with \downarrow flow, then corrected transposition.
If asplenia, then 100% have common ventricle.
Interrupted IVC common.



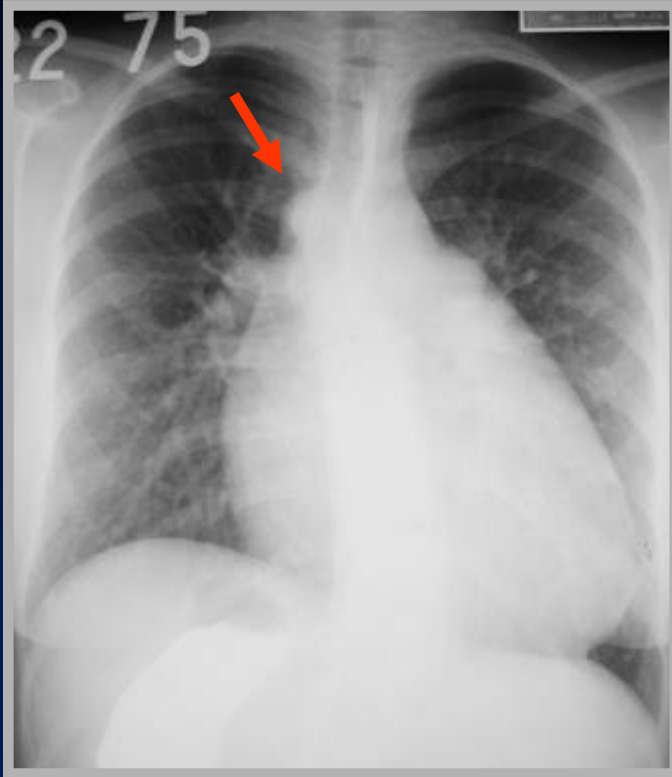
**Situs Solitus with Dextrocardia
Coarctation of Aorta**



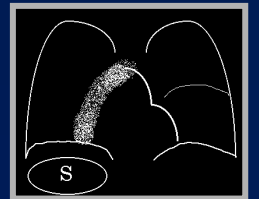
Situs Inversus with Levocardia

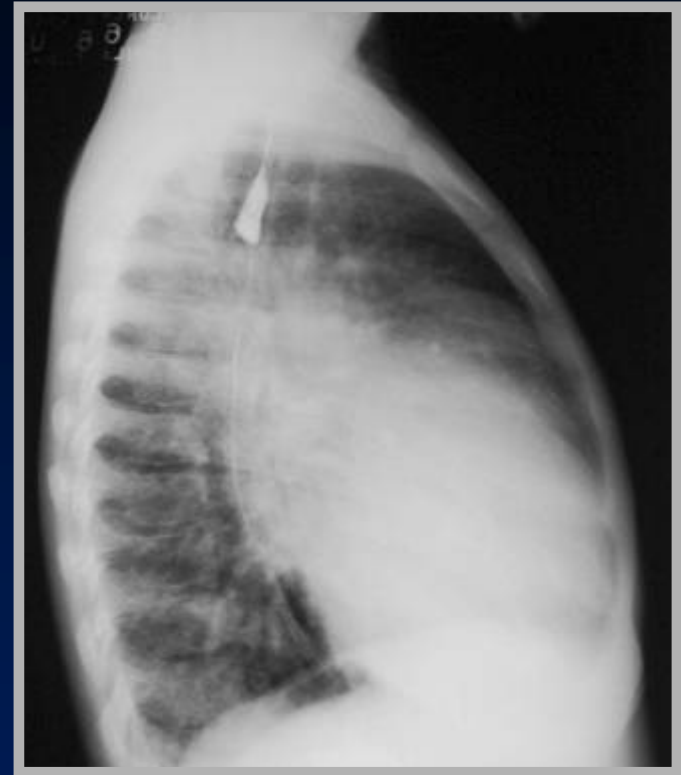


Rare, but 100% CHD
If asplenia, 100% have common ventricle
Interruption of IVC common

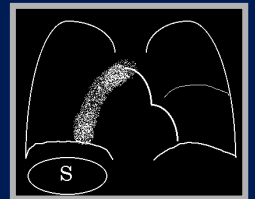


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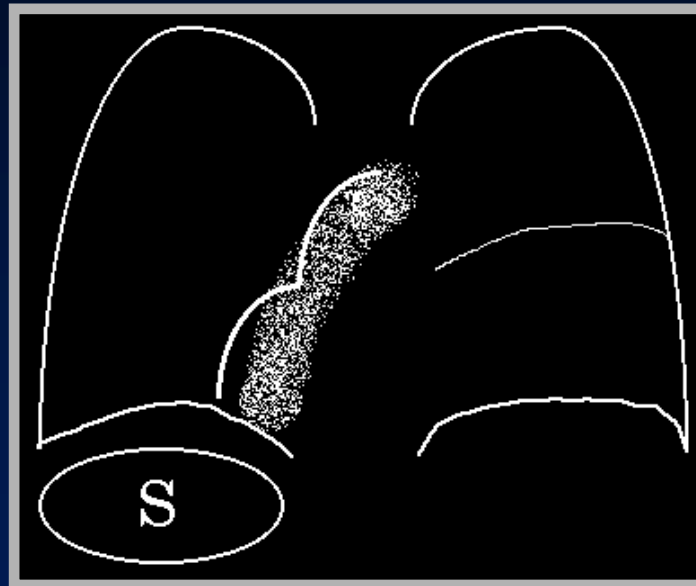




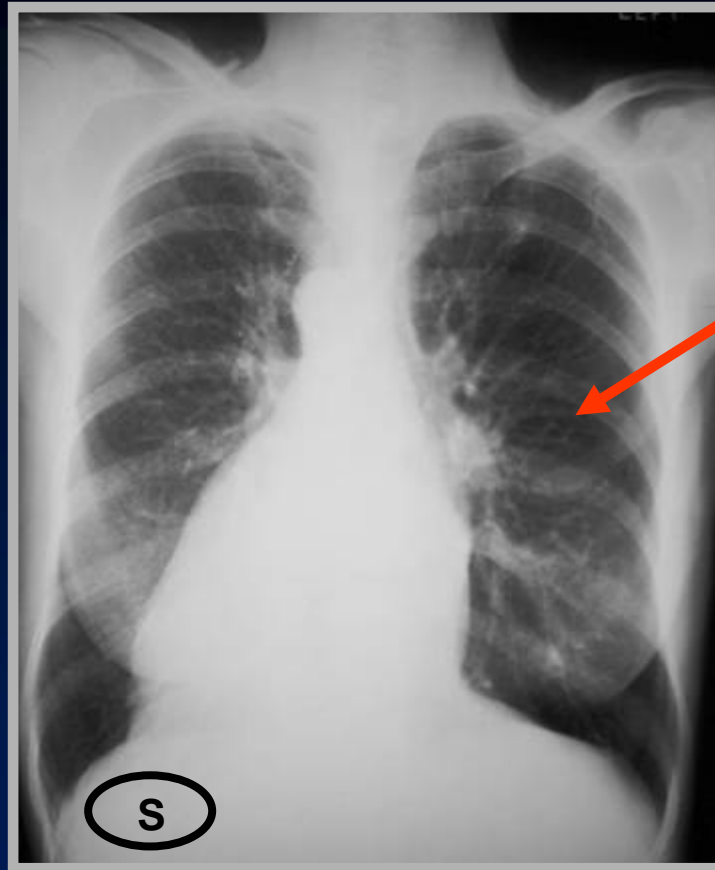
**Situs Inversus with Levocardia
Transposition**



Situs Inversus with Dextrocardia

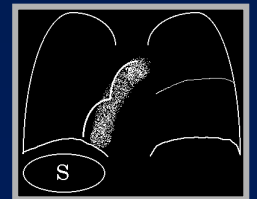


3-5% CHD
Most common is Corrected Transposition
Kartgener's



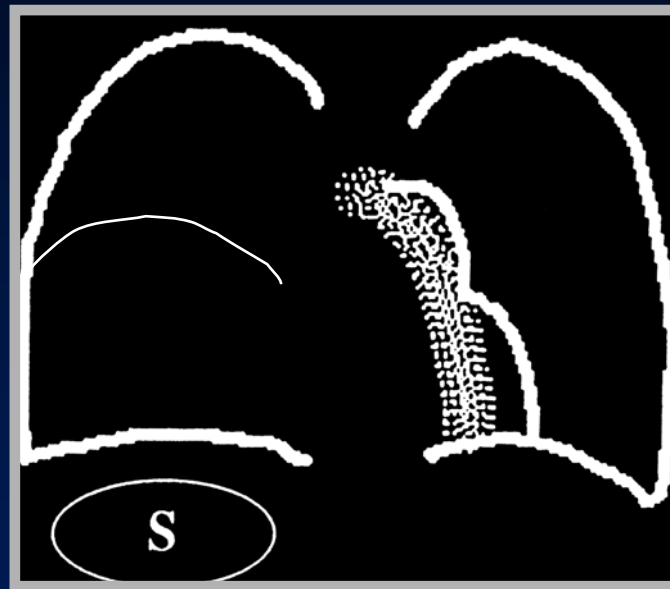
Trilobed lung

Situs Inversus with Dextrocardia

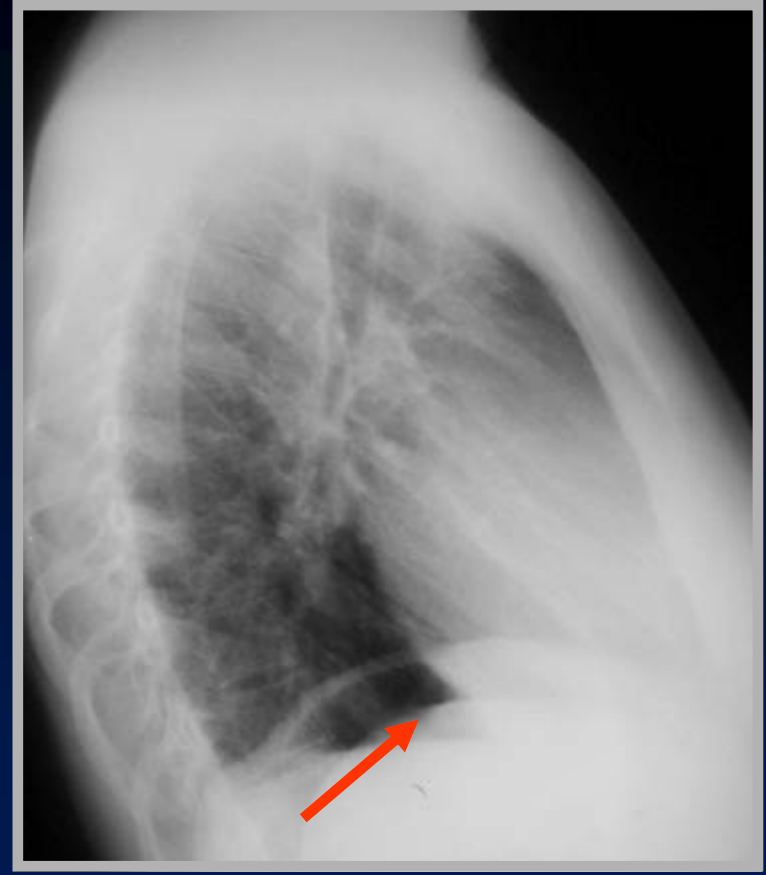
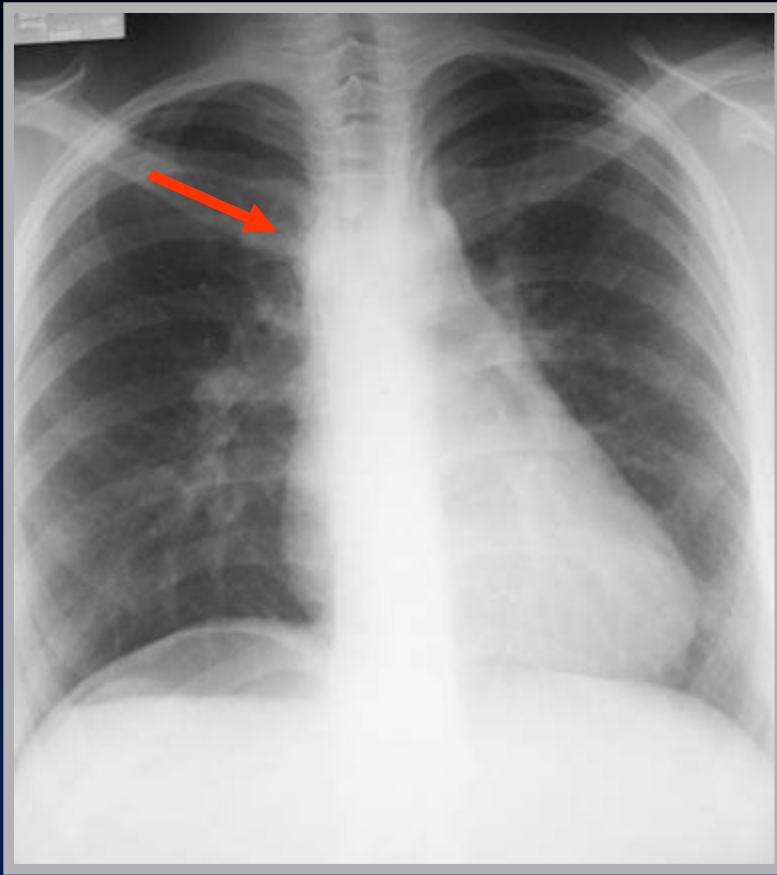


Situs Solitus

Malposition of the Stomach



R/O asplenia
Most have CHD (L → R shunt)
Most with polysplenia have azygous continuation of IVC

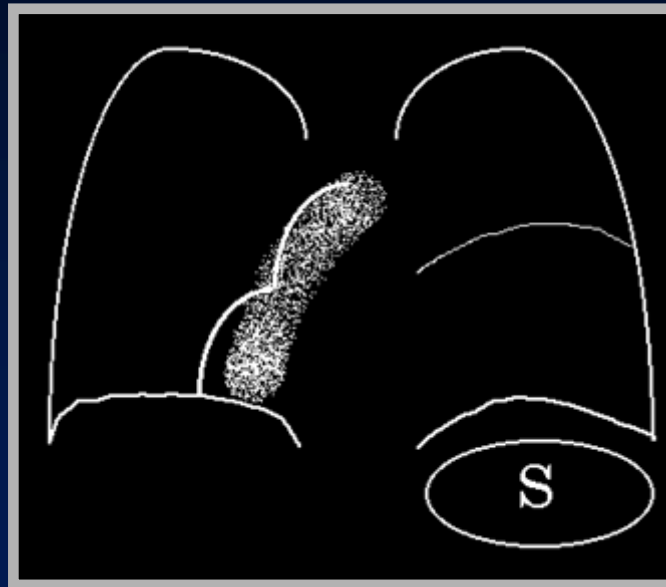


Situs Solitus with Malposition of the Stomach



Situs Inversus

Malposition of the Stomach



Situs Inversus with Malposition of the Stomach
95% CHD of which 80% are Corrected Transposition

Situs Ambiguous Heterotaxy Syndrome

- **Bilateral right-sidedness**
 - Since, liver is usually on right side
 - No spleen
 - ◆ Asplenia syndrome
- **Bilateral left-sidedness**
 - Since, spleen is usually on left side
 - Multiple spleens
 - ◆ Polysplenia syndrome

Asplenia

Bilateral Right-sidedness

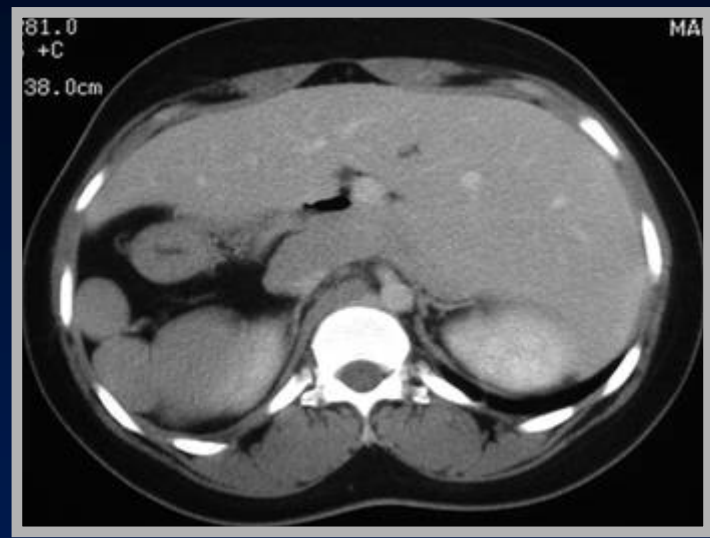
- Male
- Cyanotic
- High risk of infection
- Severe cardiac abnormalities
 - Transposition
 - TAPVR



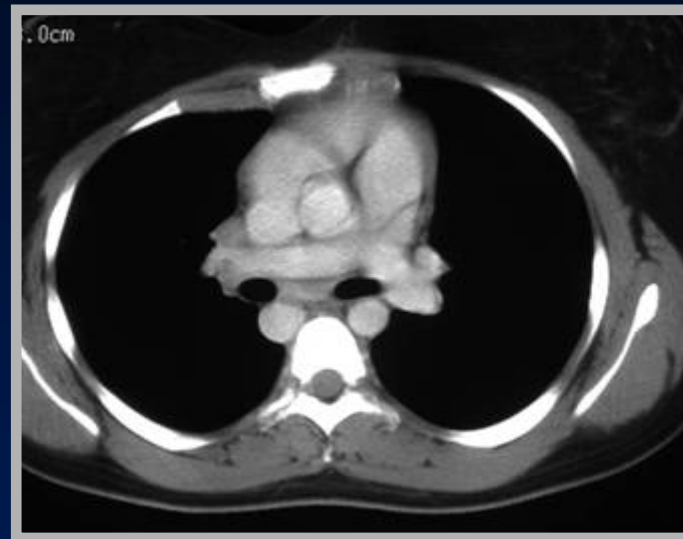
Polysplenia

Bilateral left-sidedness

- Female
- Abnormalities are more benign
 - Azygous continuation of IVC
 - Bilateral superior vena cava
 - PAPVR
 - ASD



Situs Ambiguous-polysplenia

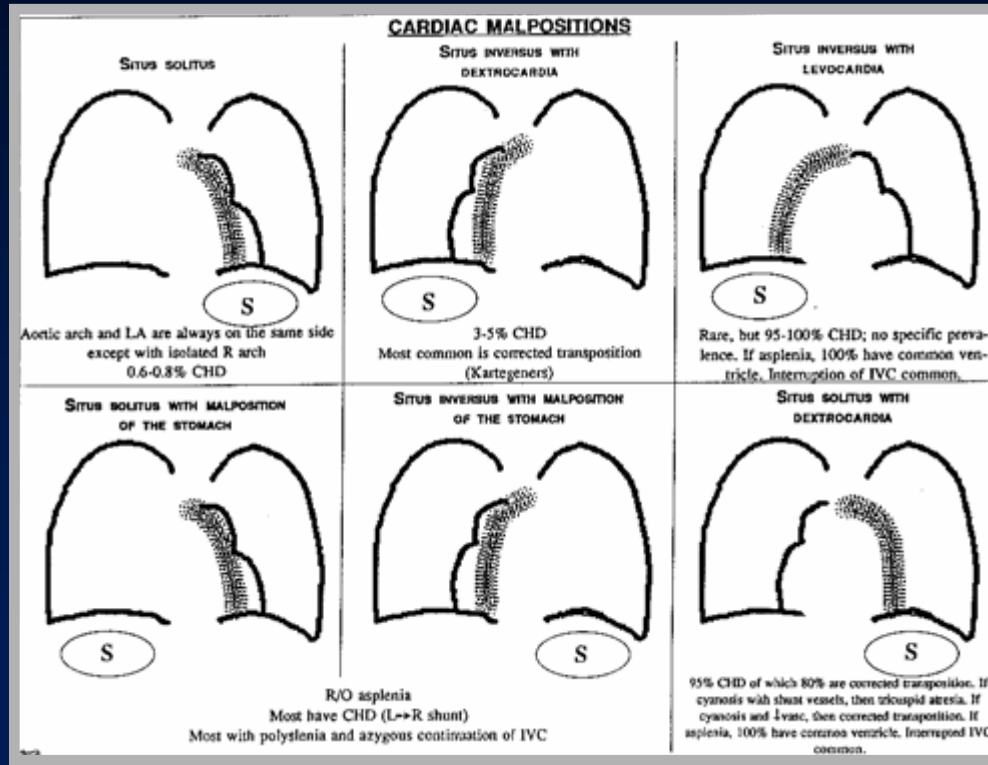


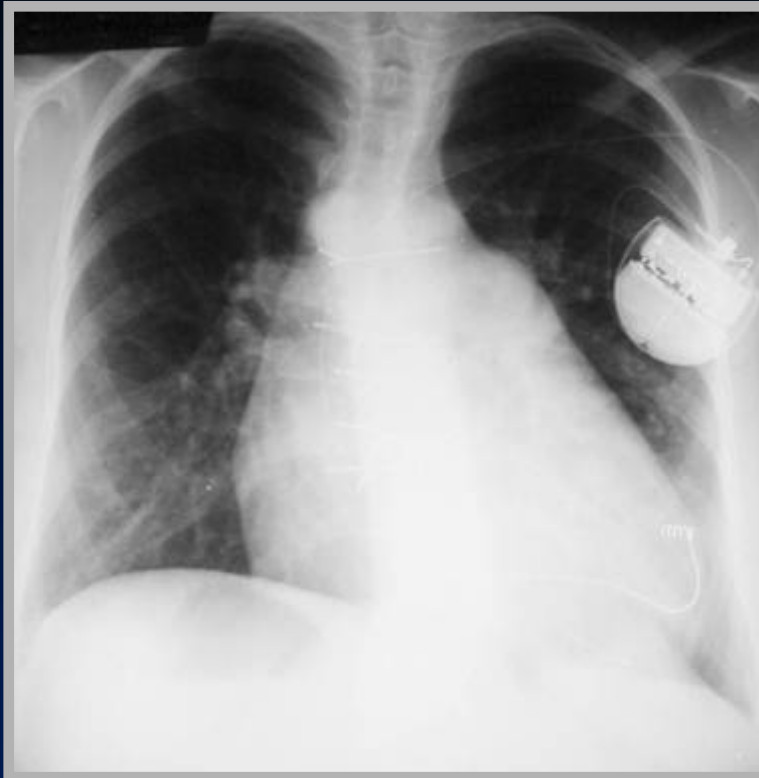
Situs Ambiguous-polysplenia

Approach to Cardiac Malpositions

- Which side is heart on
- Which side is trilobed lung on
- Which side is arch on
- Which side is stomach bubble on
- Check for asplenia
 - Midline liver
 - Minor fissures in both lungs

Another Approach





Situs Inversus with Levocardia

Rare, but 100% CHD

If asplenia, 100% have common ventricle

Interruption of IVC common



Situs ambiguous
Asplenia with dextrocardia
Complex CHD

Nine Lesions Which Produce 75% of All Severe Congenital Heart Lesions In the Neonate

- **Decreased flow**
 1. Tetralogy of Fallot
 2. Tricuspid Atresia
 3. Severe Pulmonic Stenosis
 4. Ebstein's
- **Increased Flow**
 5. Transposition
 6. VSD

Nine Lesions Which Produce 75% of All Severe Congenital Heart Lesions In the Neonate

- **Pulmonary venous hypertension**
 7. Hypoplastic left heart
 8. Coarctation of the aorta
 9. TAPVR with infradiaphragmatic obstruction
- **What's left**
 - **Left-to-right shunts**
 - ASD
 - PDA
 - **Truncus arteriosus**

The End