Cardiovascular system III

Arteries vs. Veins

- Vessels-pipes, carries blood through out the body
- Arteries carry blood away from the ventricles of the heart
- Arteries carry O₂ rich blood except the pulmonary arteries

- Vein carry blood to the atria of the heart
- Veins carry deoxygenated blood except the pulmonary veins



Circuits of the Vascular System

- <u>Pulmonary Circuit</u>- oxygenation of blood
- From the Pulmonary semilunar valve→Through the lungs→to the entrance of the left atrium
- <u>Systemic Circuit</u>- oxygenation of tissue
- From the aortic semilunar valve→through the body→to the entrance of the right atrium

Tunics (Layers) of vessel Walls

- Tunica interna Deepest layer (contacts blood) Endothelial lining + basement membrane Arteries have elastic layer
- Tunica media
- Middle layer
 Layers of smooth muscle
 Arteries have elastic fibers
- Tunica Externa (adventitia) Superfical layer
 Connect tissue layers-attaches to each other and other organs Both have elastic and collagen fibers



Arterial wall

Venous wall

Elastic Arteries

conducting arteries (move larger amount of blood) large diameter (2.5cm)

walls proportionally not as thick (relative to diameter) Tunica media-

few smooth muscle fibers

high density of elastic fibers (for elastic recoil) undergo large pressure changes (ventricular systole/diastole)

pulmonary artery, aorta, and major branches are examples

Muscular Arteries

distribution arteries relatively small diameter (0.4cm) thicker tunica media (relative to diameter) than elastic artery Tunica media- thicker (compared to elastic arteries) high density of smooth muscle fibers less elastic fibers

- UNDER GO DIAMETER CHANGES due to ANS (autonomic nervous system) input for blood flow regulation to organs.
- Arteries in neck, and appendages are examples

arterioles

- small diameter (30µm)
- poorly defined tunica externa
- incomplete tunica media (scattered smooth muscle)
- Control blood from between arteries ad capillaries
- 1 arteriole leads to dozens of cappillaries

Veins: Mechanisms to move blood

- Blood pressure too low in veins to move blood efficiently
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- <u>Three Mechanisms:</u>
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- 1. Valves
- -found in limbs
- -semilunar-type valves (similar to heart)
- -one-way (no backflow in healthy veins)
- -moves bolus of blood up section-by-section
- -folding of tunica interna

- 2. Skeletal Muscle Pump
- -veins located between muscles
- -pressure on vessel walls from contracted muscles
- -"pushes" blood through
- -Not found in larger vessels of anterior cavity
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- 3. Thoracoabdominal Pump
- -Breathing changes pressure within thoracic and abdominal cavities
- -As one cavity pressure increases, the other cavity pressure decreases
- -"Push-pull" blood through
- -Only found in larger vessels of anterior cavity

Venous valves Skeletal muscle pump-



Fig 22.6

- Venules collect blood from capillaries (20µm)
- Medium sized veins (2-9µm)
- Large veins (>9mm)

Arteries vs Veins

Features Arteries Veins General appearance usually round, no valves usually flattered, valves • Tunica Interna rippled smooth • Absent Internal elastic membrane, Present Tunica Media Thick, has SM & elastic membrane Thin has SM & collagen fiber External elastic membrane. Present absent • Tunica Externa Elastic, Collagen fibers Elastic collagen fibers + Muscle fibers.



The Circulatory system is a "closed circulation"



Capillaries

- Exchange surface between the cardiovascular system and tissues
- Plasma diffuses out of the capillaries into the tissues carrying gases, nutrients hormones etc small diameter (8µm), rbc diameter =7.7µm
- Most capillaries are arranged into capillary beds
- Thinness allows for exchange of material between the blood and tissues



(a) Capillary bed



Fig 22.9

3 Types of Capillary Beds



1. Continuous Capillary Bed

- most common type in the body.
- have tight junctions & desmosomes
- 'leaky' capillaries-







3. Sinusoidal Capillary Bed

- Largest pores of capillaries.
- 'leakiest' capillary bed.
- high degree of exchange.
- highly convoluted (twisting).
- least common in body:e.g., liver and spleen.





Movement across a capillary

- Diffusion (based on concentration gradient)
 - Capillary endothelial cells
 - Gaps between cells
 - Thru pores
- Endo/exocytosis across the endothelial cells

Heart \rightarrow Arteries (Elastic Arteries) \rightarrow Muscular Arteries) \rightarrow Arterioles \rightarrow Capallaries \rightarrow Venules \rightarrow Veins \rightarrow back to heart.





(a) The normal arterial wall consists of smooth muscle and connective tissue with an endothelial cell linina.

Arteriosclerosis

= hardening of vessel wall.



(c) As cholesterol accumulates, fibrous sca tissue forms around it. Migrating smooth muscle cells divide, thickening the arterial wall and narrowing the lumen of the artery. This stage is known as a fibrous plague.

Atherosclerosis

= deposits of lipids in blood vessel wall, forming a plaque. Results in a hardening and narrowing of vessel.

Vulnerable plaque

Platelets

Calcifications



(d) In the advanced stages of atherosclerosis, calcified scar tissue will form. If the endothelium is damaged and collagen is exposed, platelets stick to the damaged area and a blood clot (thrombus) forms. If blood flow in the coronary blood vessel is stopped, a heart attack is the result.



Cross section of a normal, healthy coronary artery.

Cross section of a coronary artery with advanced atherosclerosis.

Coronary Angiogram:



Showing 60% obstruction (arrow) of the anterior interventricular artery. Aortic Aneurysm



<u>Aneurysm</u>: a weak point in the heart or an artery wall; results in bulging due to pressure in vessel.

Poses threat of hemorrhage.

Superior

Celiac

Superior Mesenteric

Renal

Gonadal

Inferior Mesenteric

Common Iliac



ovarian in females testicular in males



Superior Can Small Mice Really Get Into My Cousin's Intestines

Inferior







(c) Fetal circulatory pattern

Interactive cd & Histology cd

- Cat dissection
- Opening the ventral cavity
- Lay cat on its dorsal surface
- Make incisions, cutting through the muscle, as seen in the figure below
- Fold back the flaps of tissue to expose the ventral cavity











- A layer of elastic fibres (tunica adventitia)
- B layer of smooth muscles and elastic fibres (tunica media)
- C endothelium and elastin (tunica intima)
- D blood









(a) Arteries of neck and head, an oblique lateral view from the right side







(d)





(b) Arteries supplying abdominal organs, anterior view





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(a) Veins of the head and neck, lateral view





