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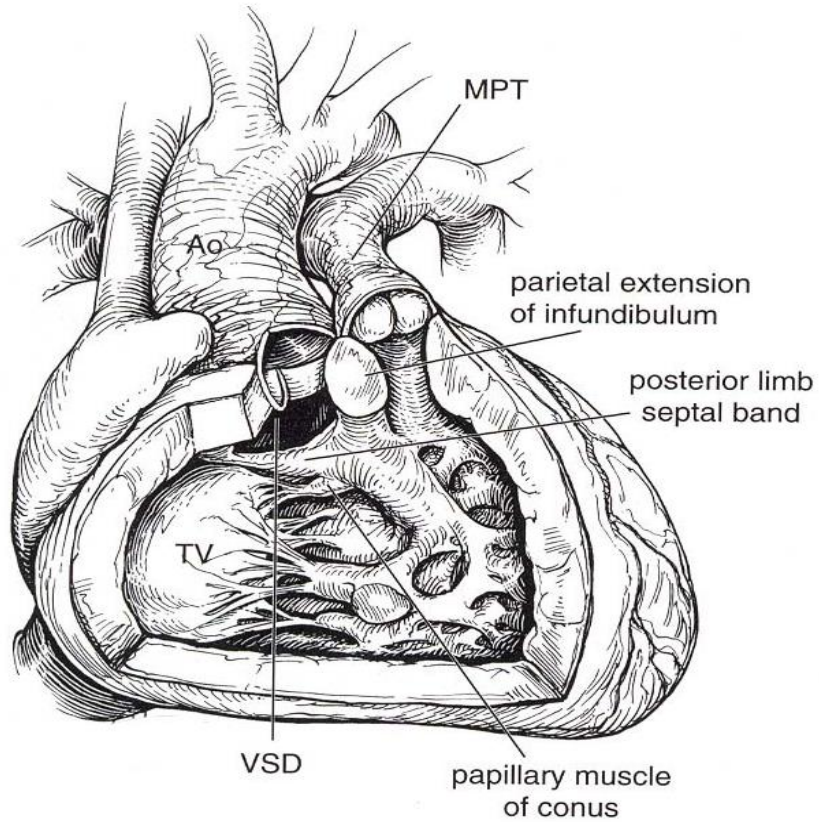
# Tetralogy of Fallot



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# Definition

- Classic theory
  - Unequal spirial septation of conotruncus
- Van Praagh's theory
  - Underdevelopment of RV infundibulum with **anterior & leftward displacement (malalignment) of infundibular (conal, outlet) septum**



Anterior and leftward displacement of the infundibular (conal) septum

ROVTO & RVH

Large VSD

Overriding of aorta

# Incidence & Associated anomaly

- 3/10000 live birth
- 7~10% of CHD & the most common among the cyanotic defect (50%)
- M>F
- Genetic defect in 28%
  - Chromosome 22q11.2 defect
  - Trisomy 21
  - VACTERL (Vertebral anomaly, Imperforate anus, Cardiac anomaly, TEF, Esophageal atresia, Renal anomaly, Limb defect)

# Clinical features

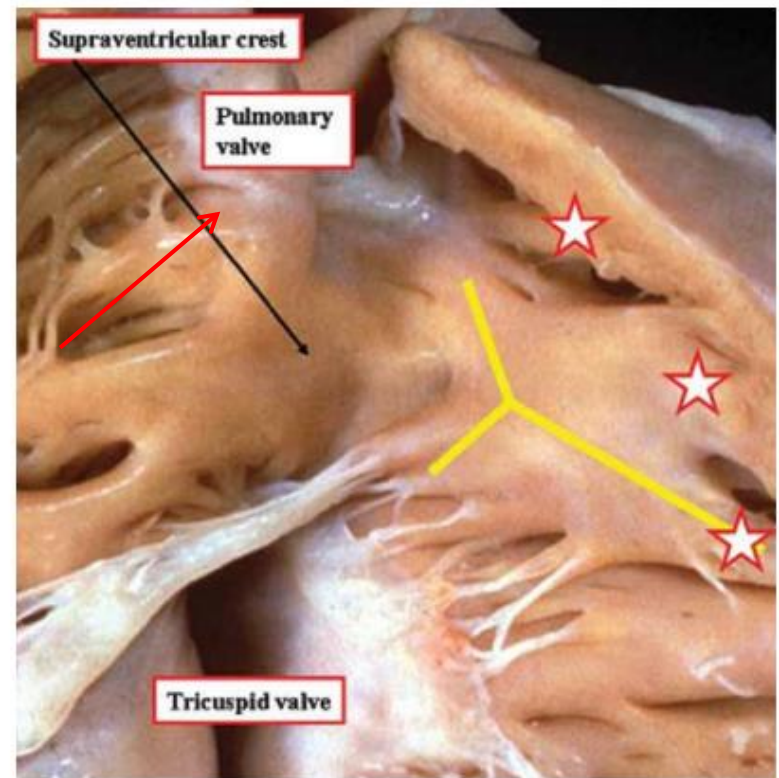
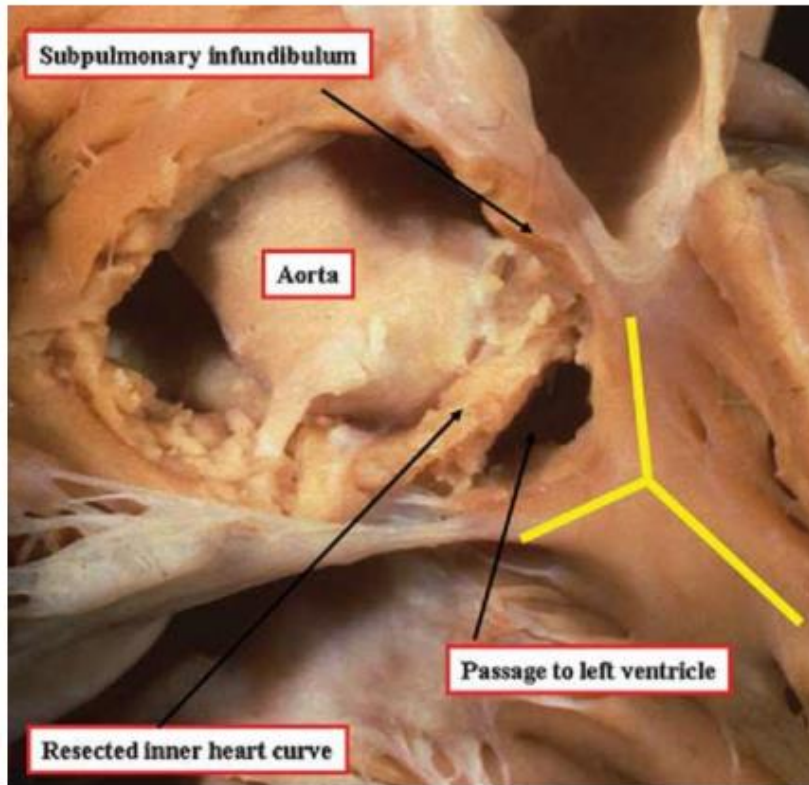
- Severity of RVOTO
  - Degrees of cyanosis
- Mild RVOTO
  - Predominant L to R shunt → CHF (pink TOF)
- Most, commonly, cyanosis is mild at birth and gradually progresses with age
  - increasing hypertrophy of the RV infundibulum
- Mechanism of “cyanotic spell” initiation
  - Reduction of cardiac afterload or preload and tachycardia (dehydration, viral infection, vasodilatation by medication, etc.)

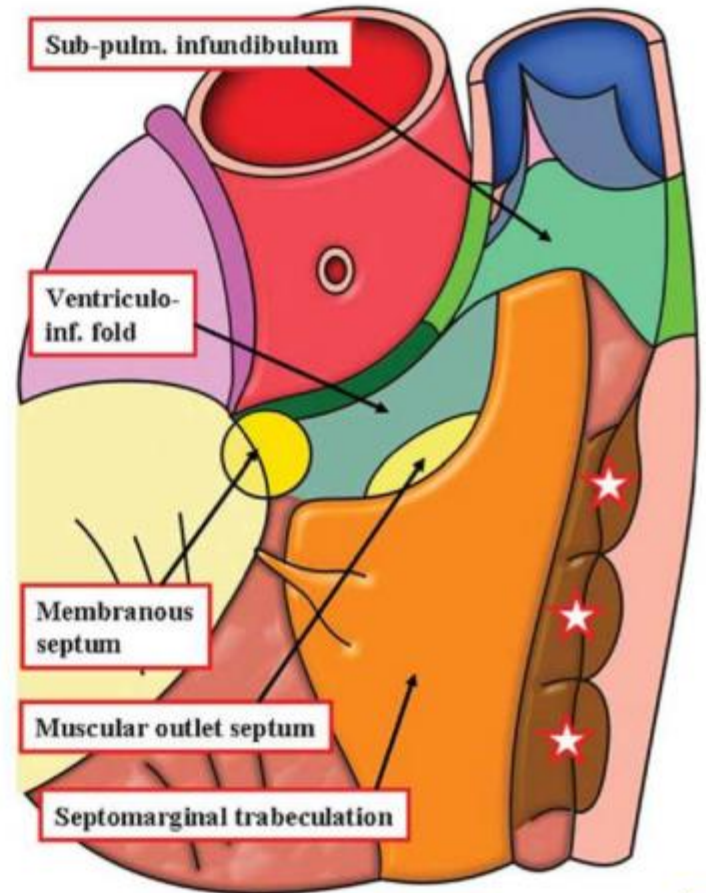
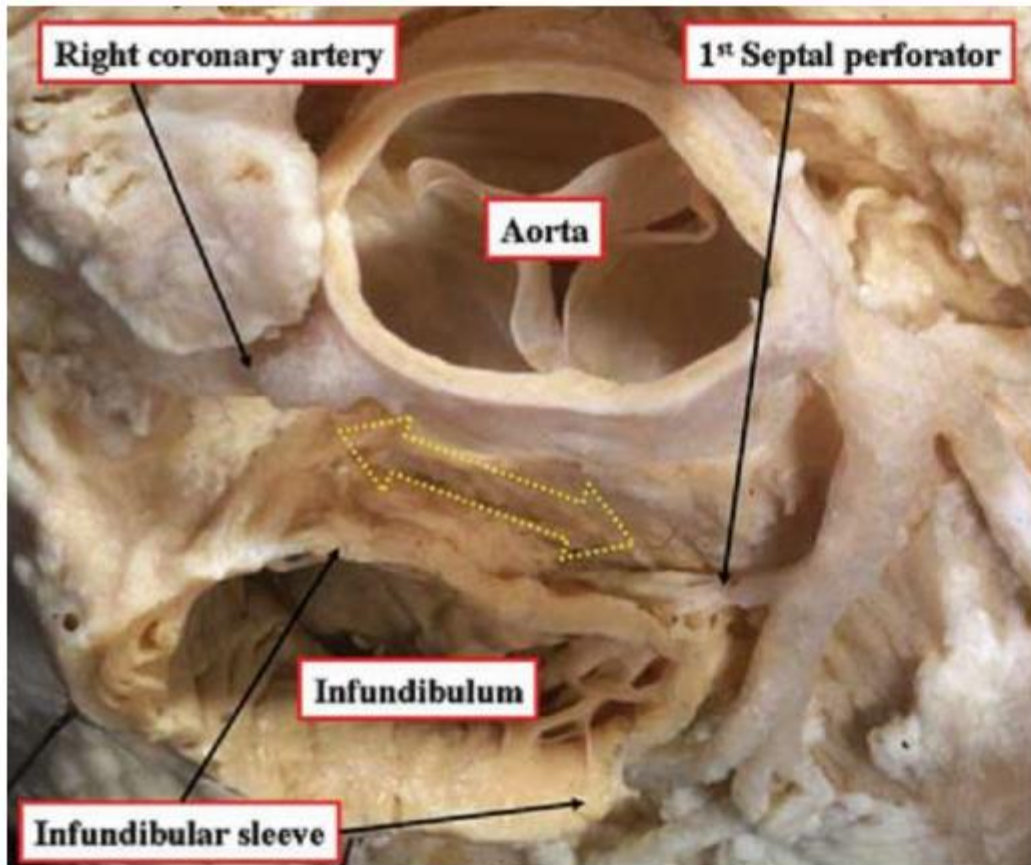


# Normal Heart

## Crista supraventricularis (Supraventricular crest)

Muscular area separating the attachments of the TV and PV in the roof of the RV

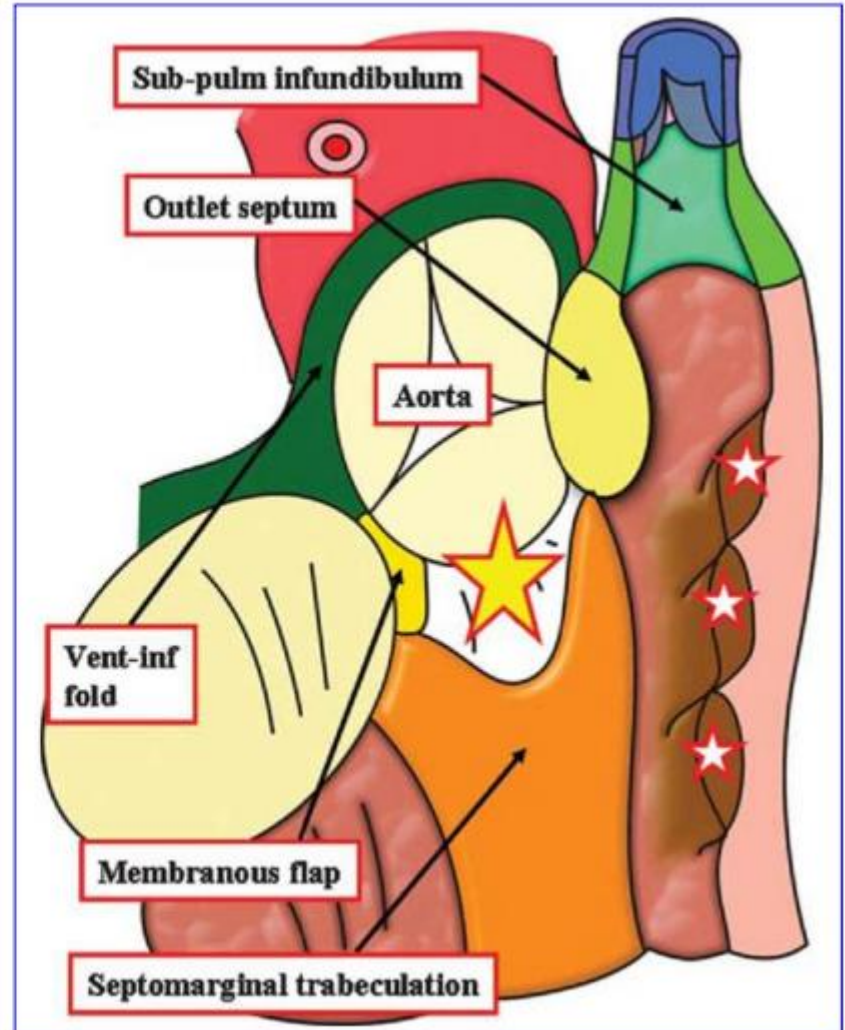
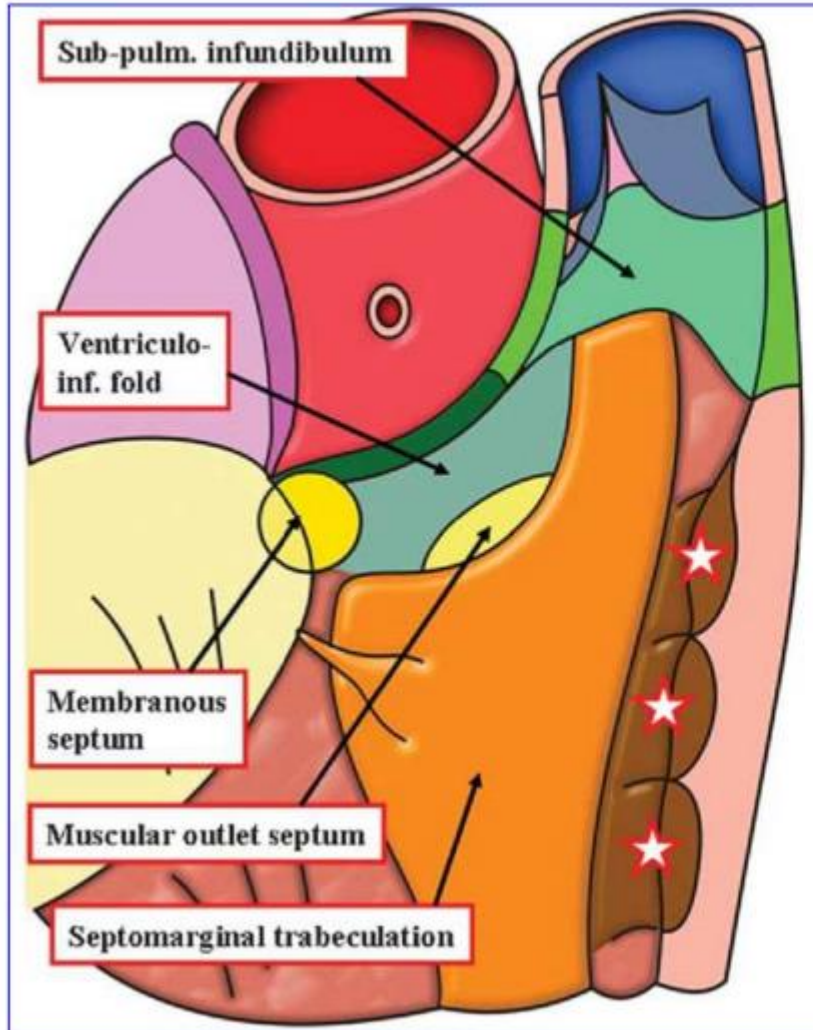






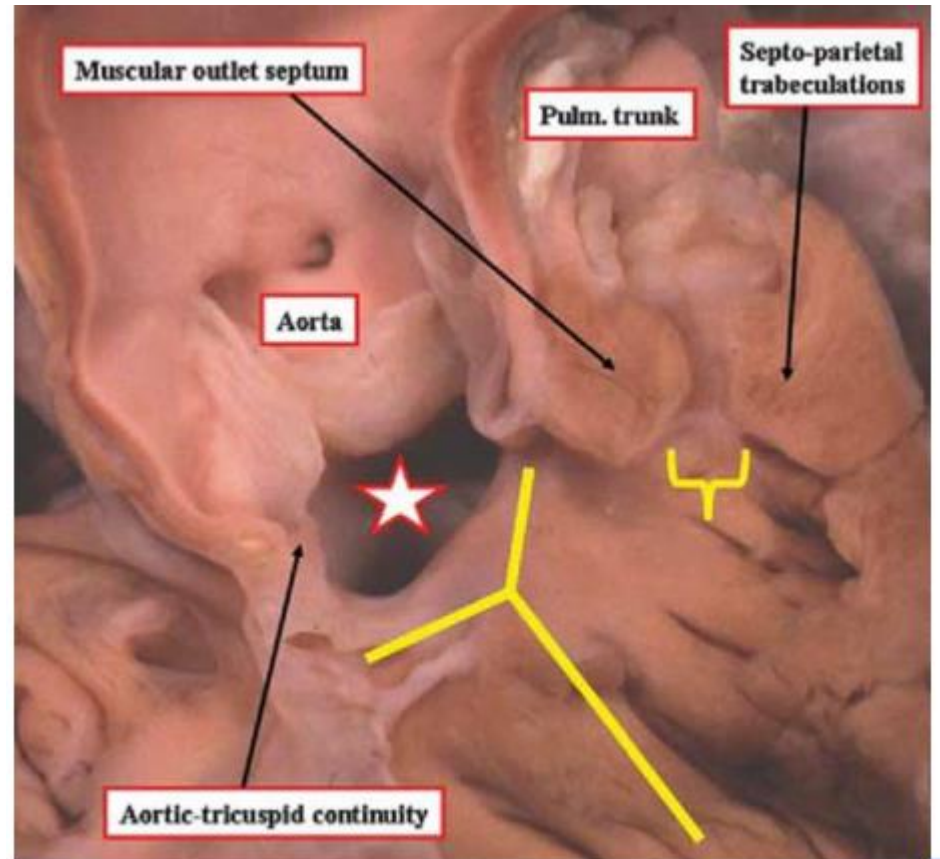
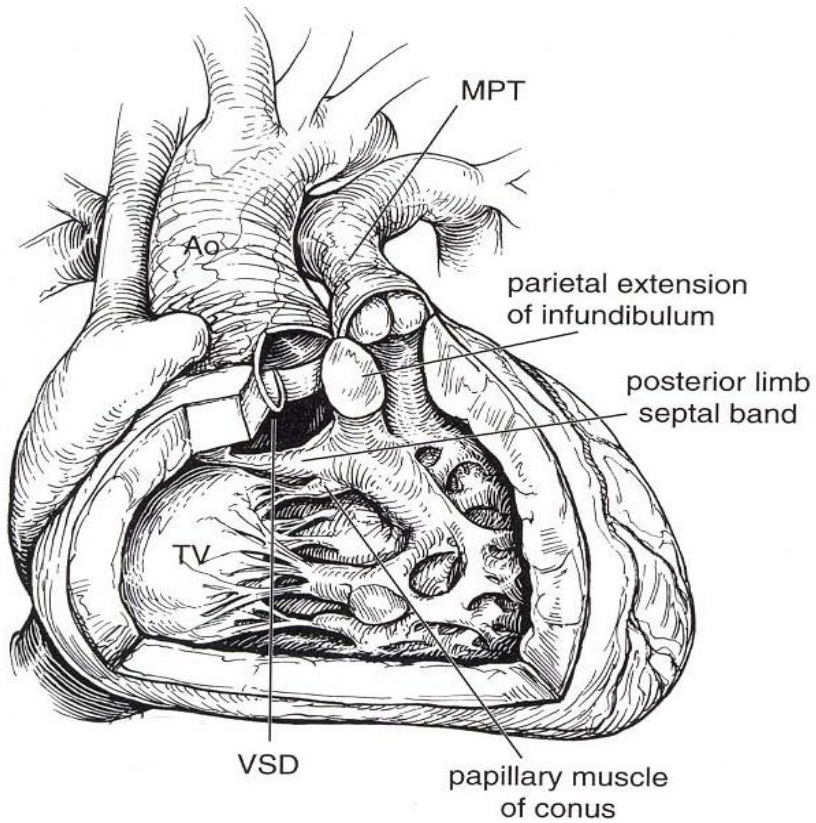
# Normal

# TOF



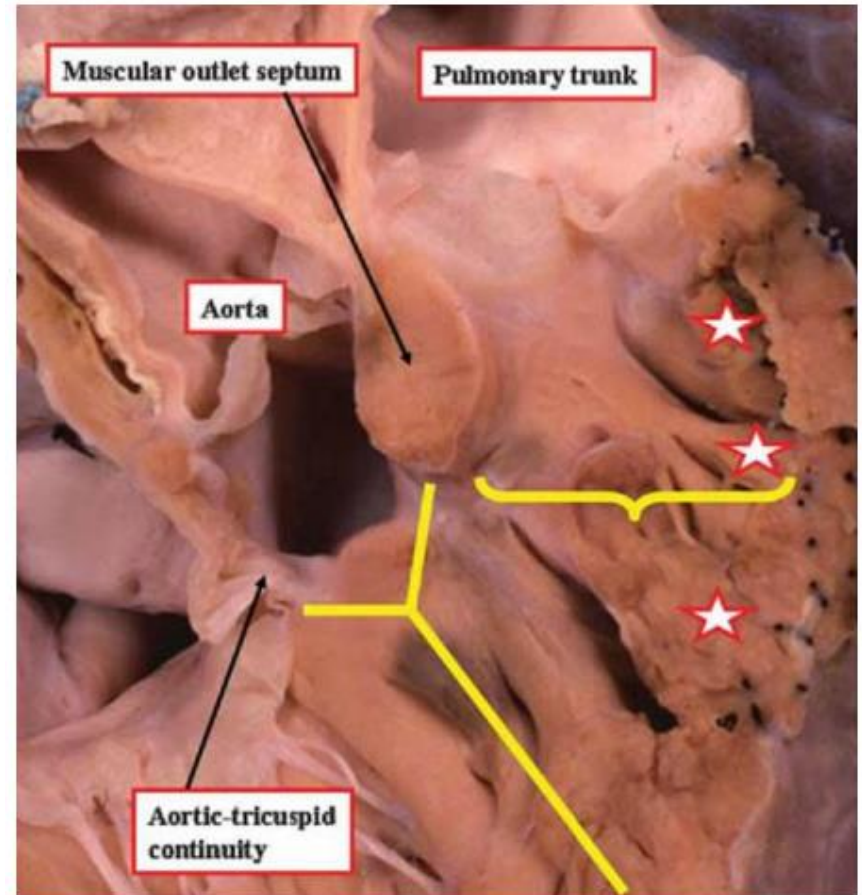
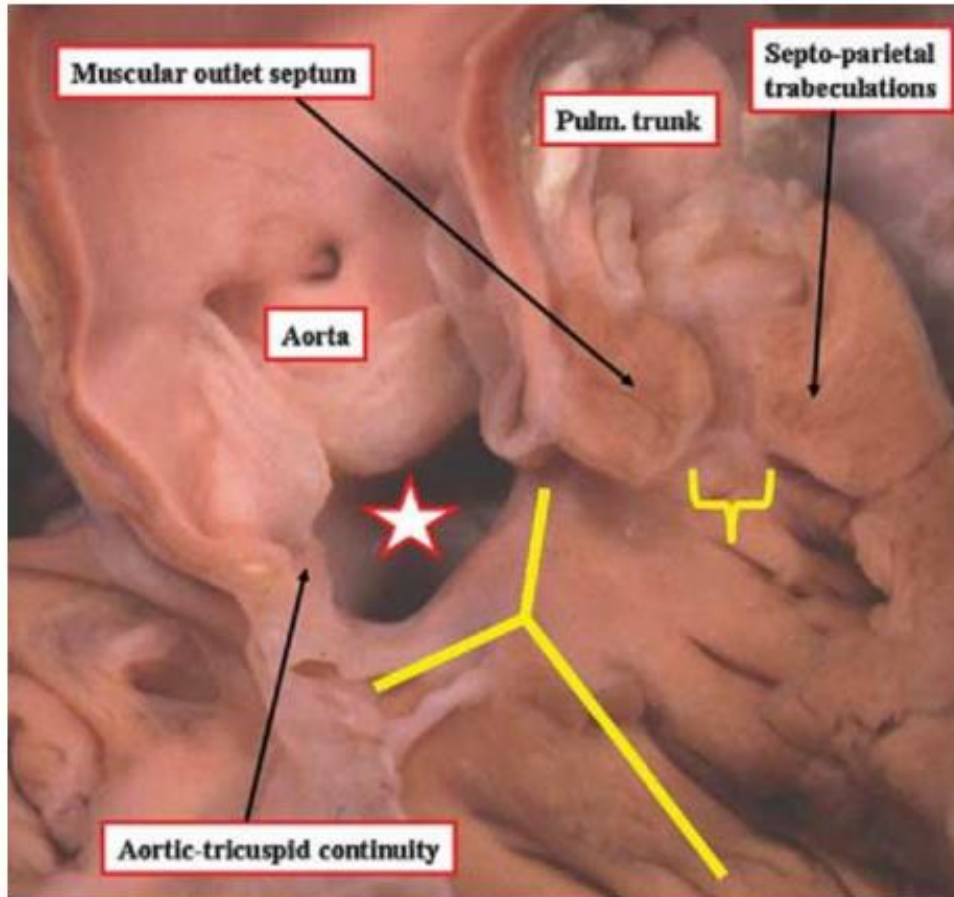


# TOF



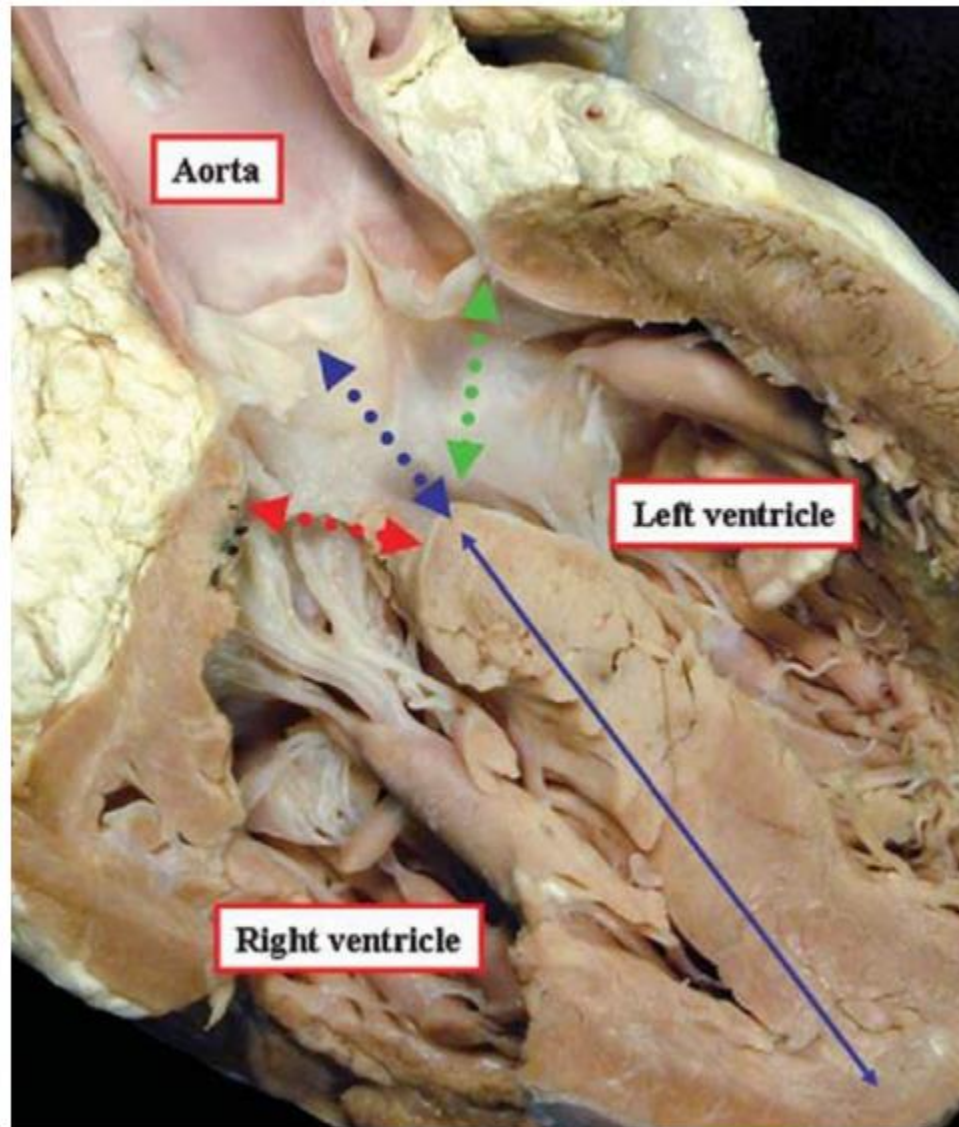
# TOF

## Anteriorly malaligned VSD (Eisenmenger defect)





# Overriding of the aortic valve



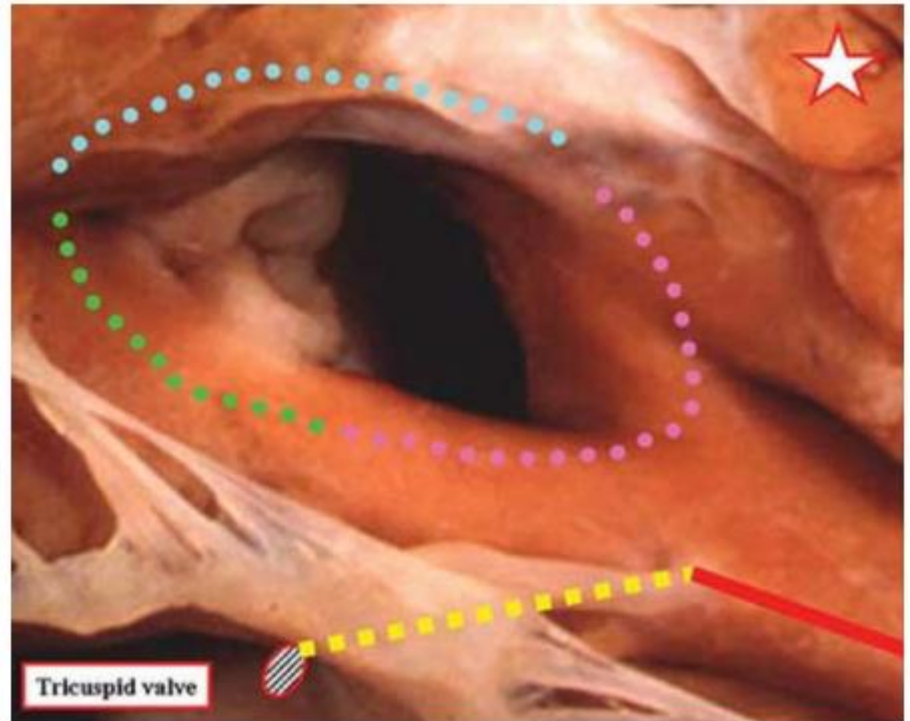
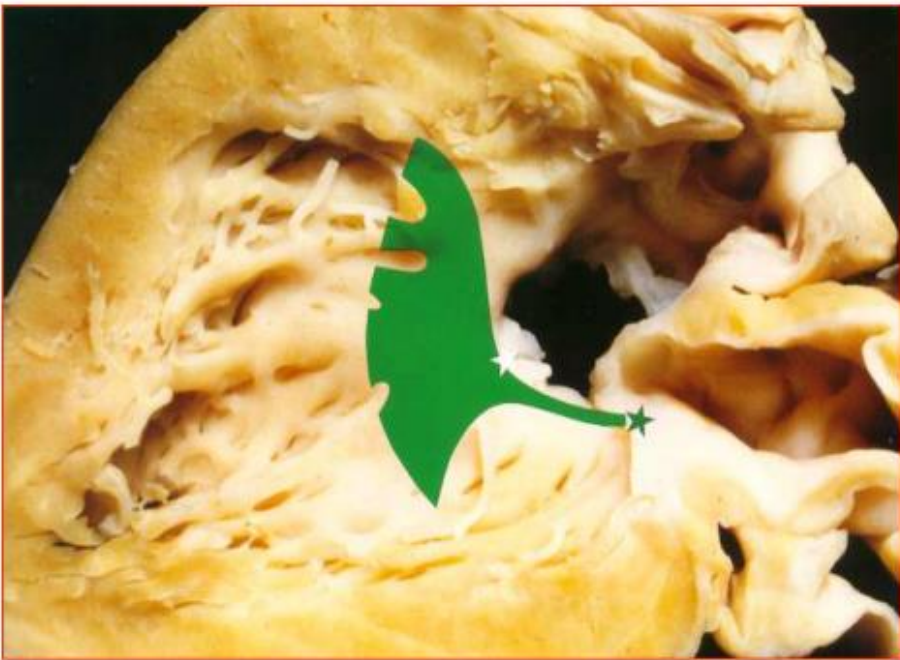
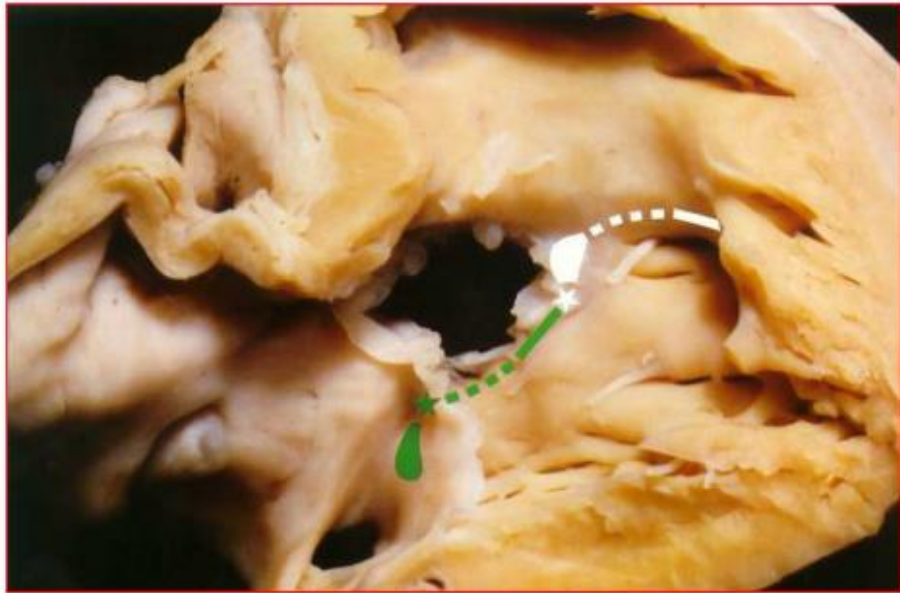
# Pulmonary valve and annulus

- Stenosis in 75%
- Leaflets
  - Thickened, tethered to the PA
  - Bicuspid in 75%
  - Vertical or horizontal position



- MPA & branch PAs
  - Usually somewhat diffusely small, often short
  - Narrowest portion of MPA is often at STJ
  - Branch PA stenosis in 10%
    - LPA os

- VSD
  - Large anteriorly malaligned
  - 25%: VIF extends to the posterior limb of TSM
    - Muscle bar beneath TV (MO)
  - Additional VSDs in 3~15%
- Conduction system
  - SA and AV node: normal in location



- Coronary artery
  - 5%, LAD from RCA, dual LAD
  - Very occasionally, RCA from single LCA, LCA from single RCA
  - Crossing over RVOT, rarely in the myocardium
- Other anatomic features
  - PA: 7%
  - Absence of PV leaflet: 5%
  - 25%, right aortic arch



- Outpatient management
  - Relieving hypoxemia and preventing hypoxic spell
  - Beta-blocker : propranolol
    - Not reliable and should rarely be used
  - Protect from viral infections

# Indications and timing of surgery

- Symptoms
  - PG dependent neonate
  - Worsening cyanosis
  - Cyanotic spell

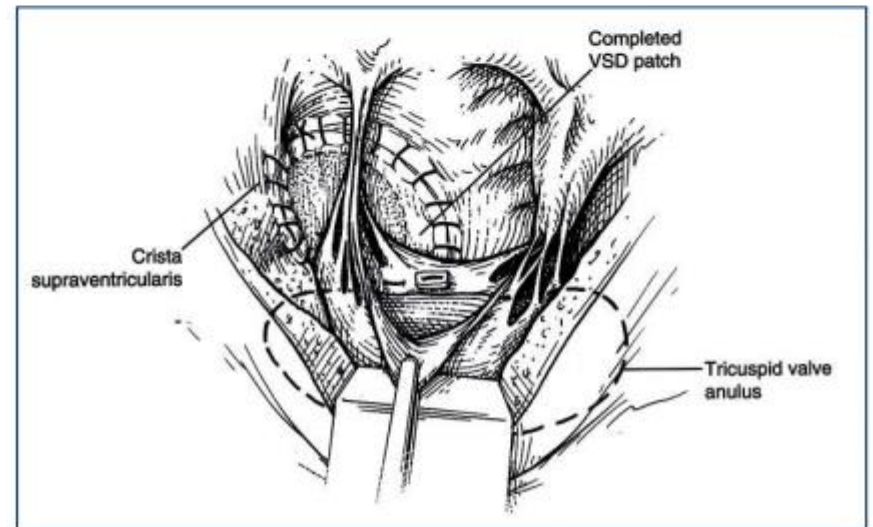
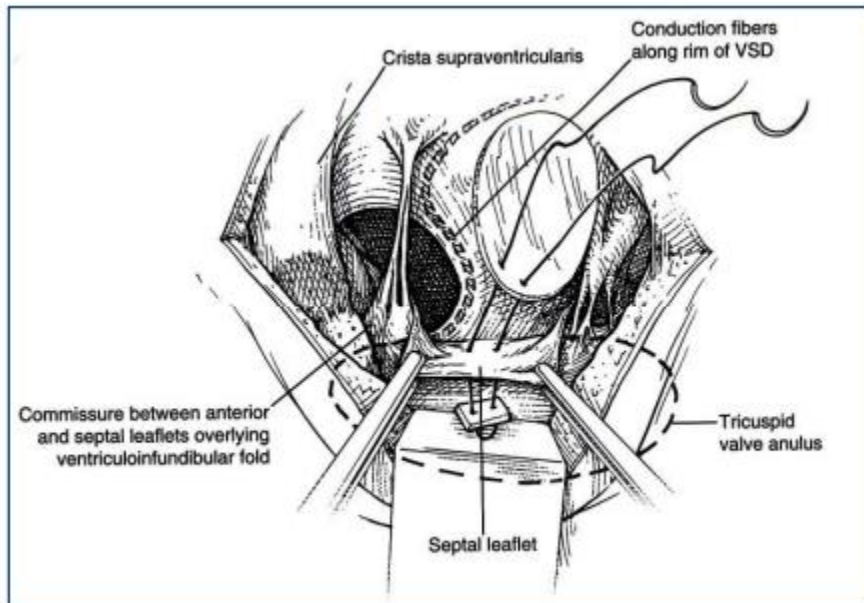
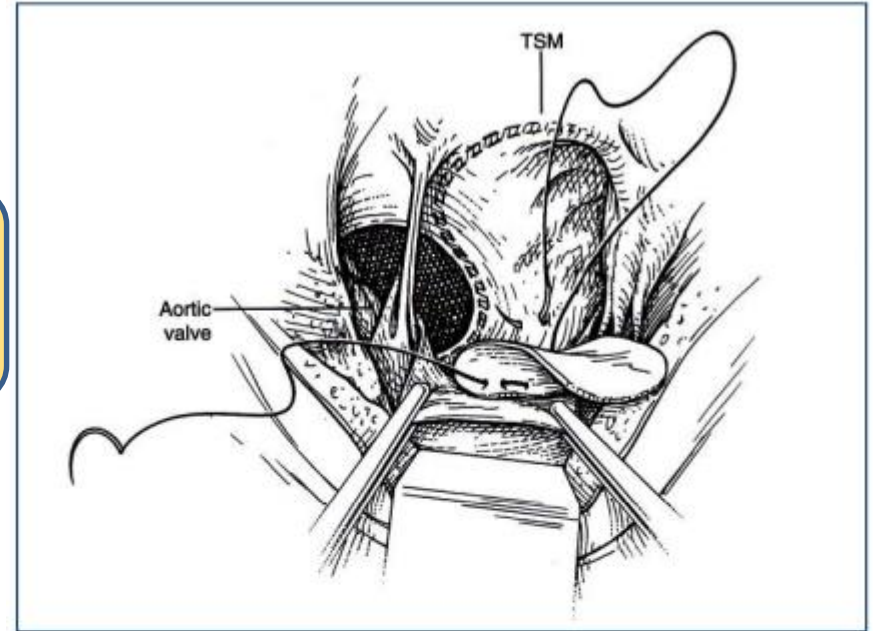
# Symptomatic neonates or young infants with TOF

- Shunt vs Early primary repair
- Controversies in “Early primary repair”
  - **Pro**
    - Low operative mortality of early primary repair
    - Avoidance harmful effect of shunt operation and late repair
    - RVH
  - **Con**
    - Neonatal myocardium may be less capable of handling of RV volume load

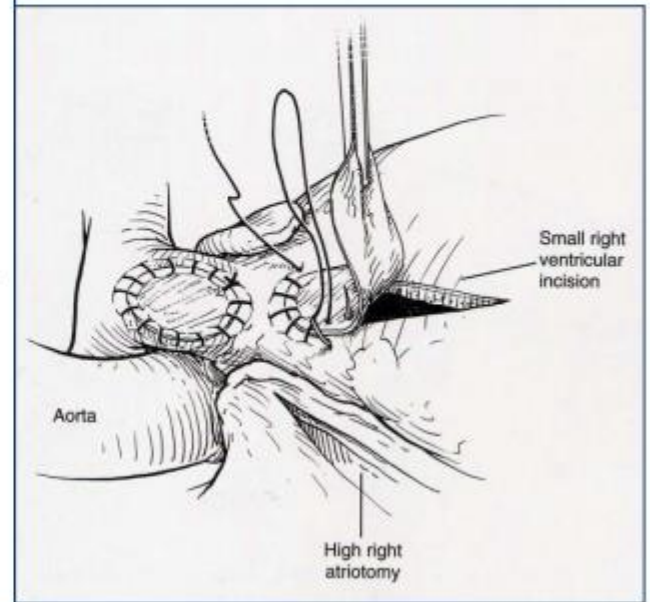
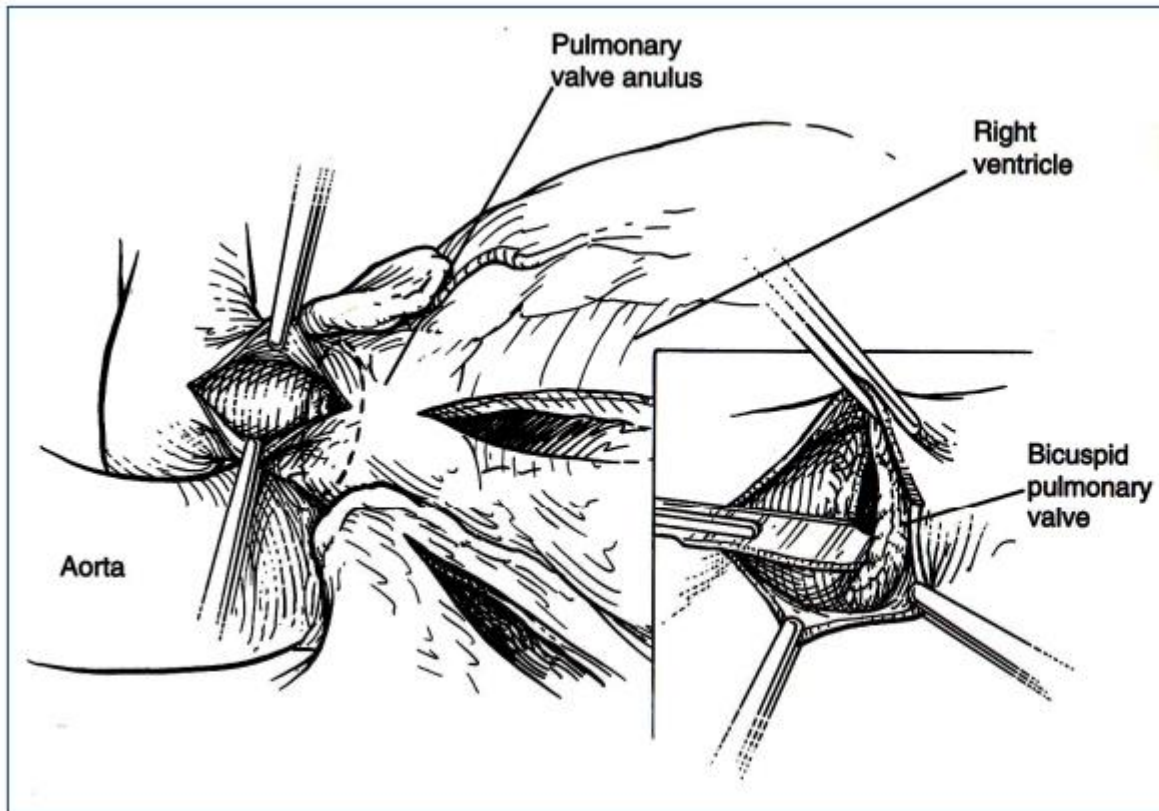
- Potential disadvantages of staged approach
  - Long-standing pressure overload of RV
  - Persistent cyanosis
    - Cardiomyocytic degeneration and interstitial fibrosis
    - Myocardial dysfunction and ventricular arrhythmia
- Potential disadvantage of early primary repair
  - Frequent need of transannular patch
  - Adverse effects of early bypass surgery on the neonatal brain
  - Often complicated and lengthy postoperative recovery in small infants



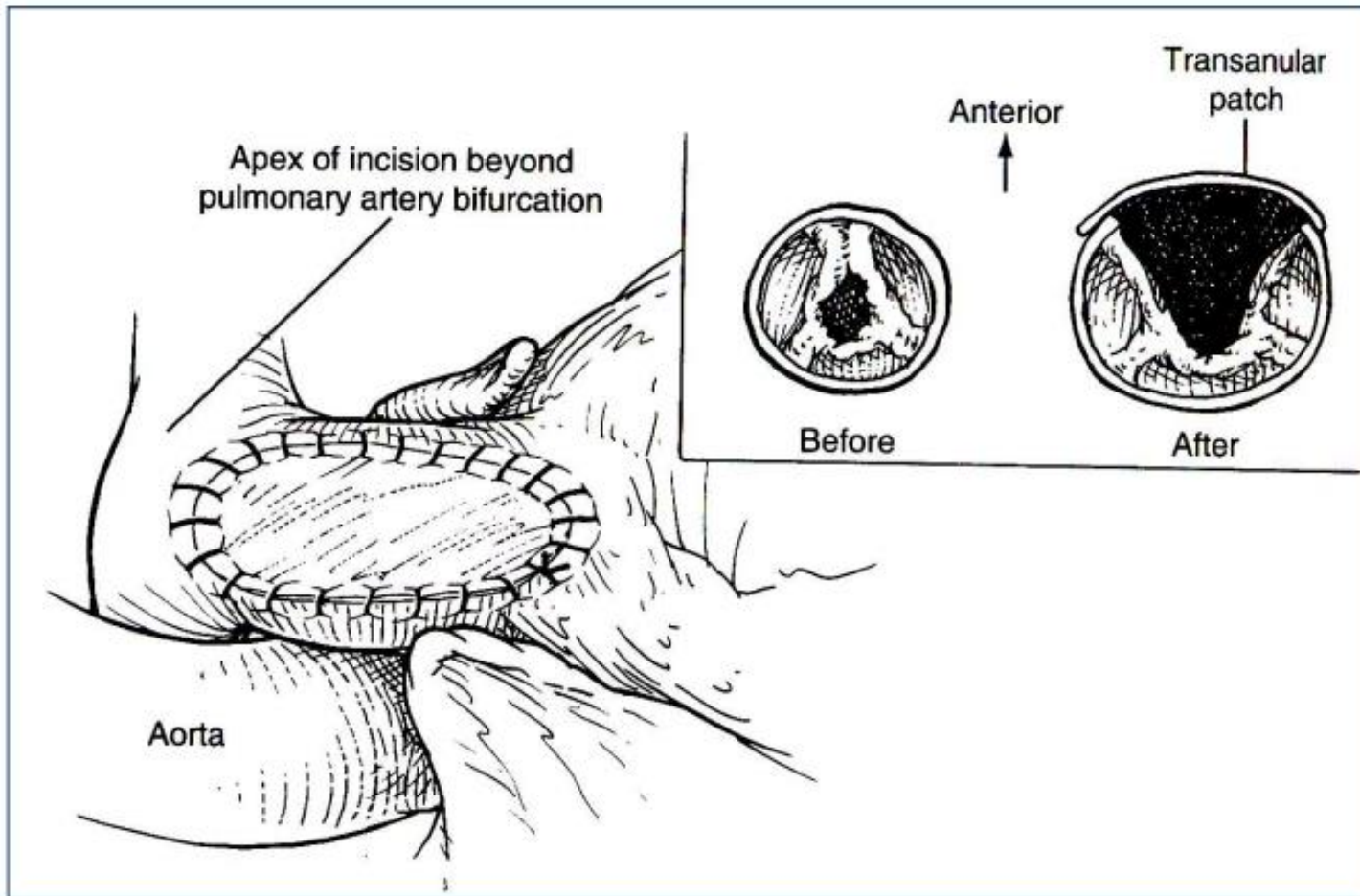
# VSD closure



# Pulmonary valvotomy



# Transannular patch



# Transannular patch

## *Criteria for preservation of pulmonary valve ?*

z-value of pulmonary annulus  $> -3$

diameter of pulmonary annulus (mm)  $> 0.8\text{mm/kg}$  of body weight

Intraoperative relaxed heart, PV annulus  $> (1-2\text{mm or } 0\text{mm ?}) + \text{mean PV annulus}$

## *Postrepair RV/LV $> 0.7$*

**If TAP has not been placed, TAP should be considered.**

**If TAP has been placed, other causes must be considered.**

branch PA stenosis

hypoplasia of peripheral PAs

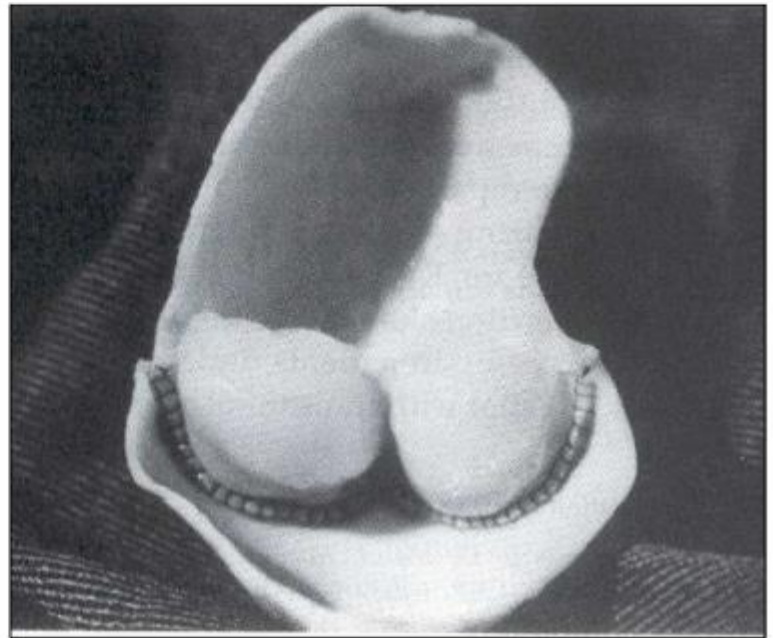
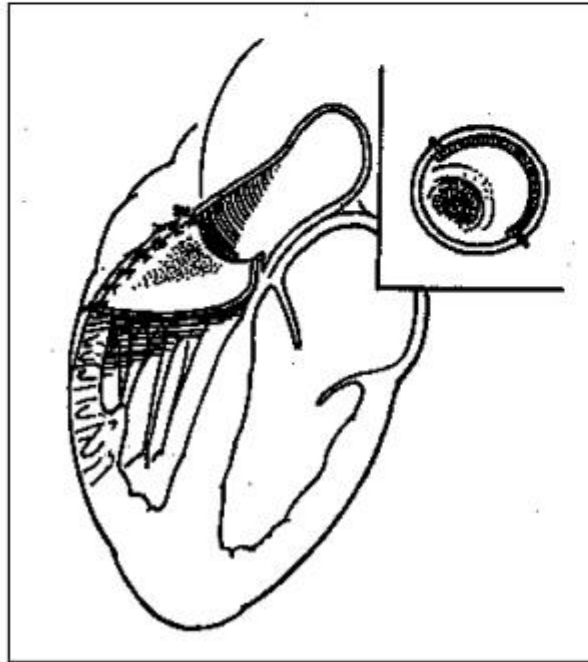
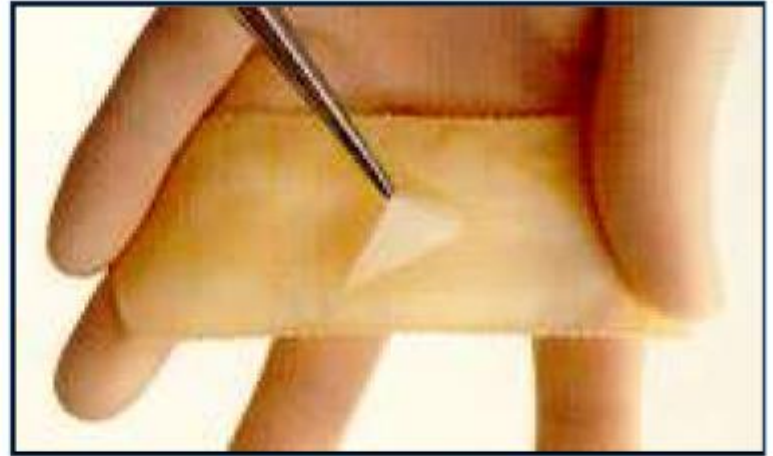
residual VSD

residual infundibular obstruction

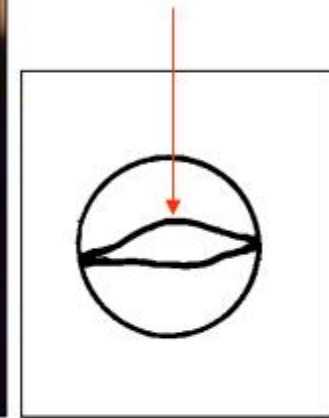
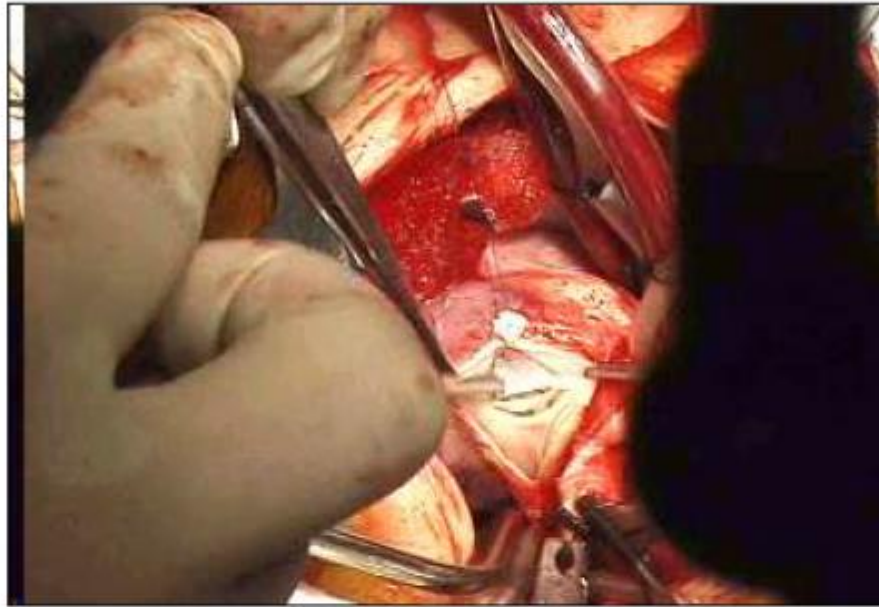
- Often elevation of RV pressure results from dynamic RVOTO.
- Ultra-short acting  $\beta$ -blocker (esmolol) can help in intraoperative differentiation.



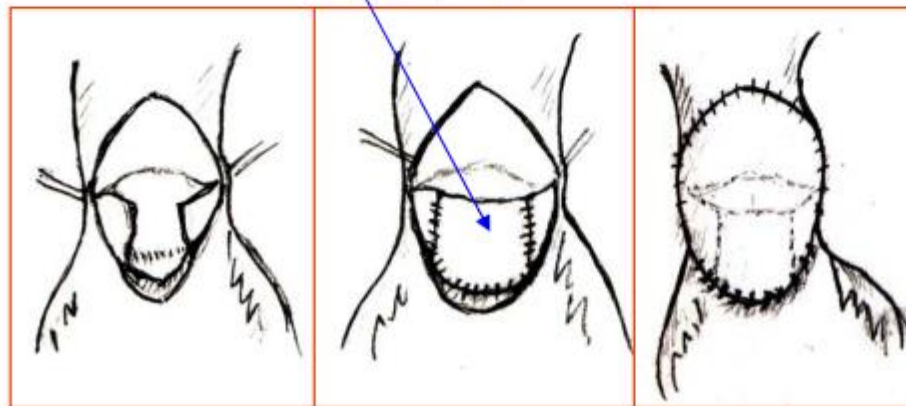
# Monocups implantation



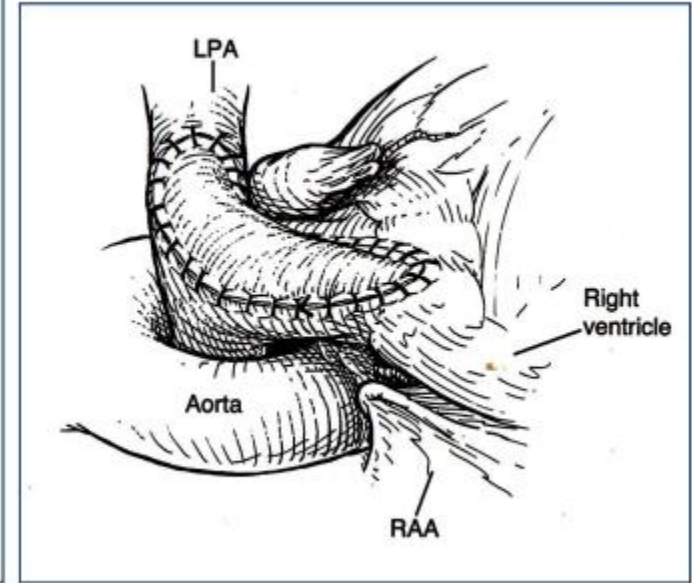
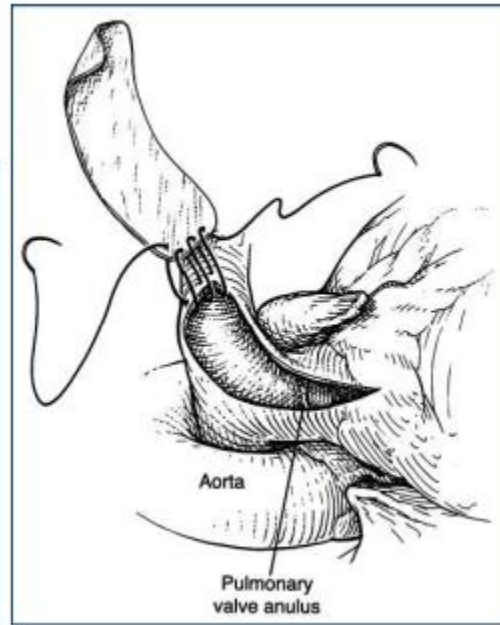
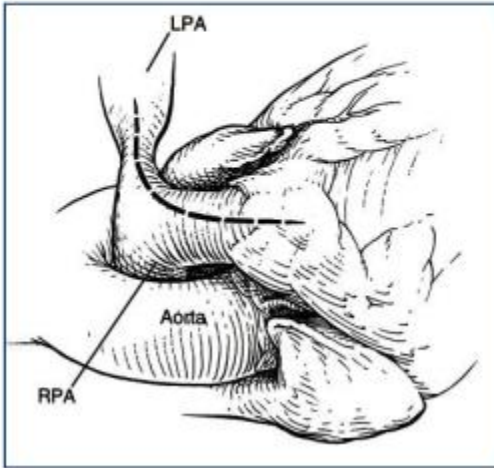
# PV annular enlargement with valve reconstruction



**Gore-Tex membrane or autologous pericardium**

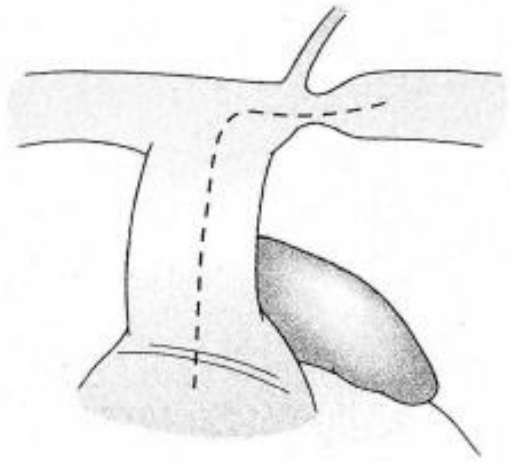


# PA angioplasty

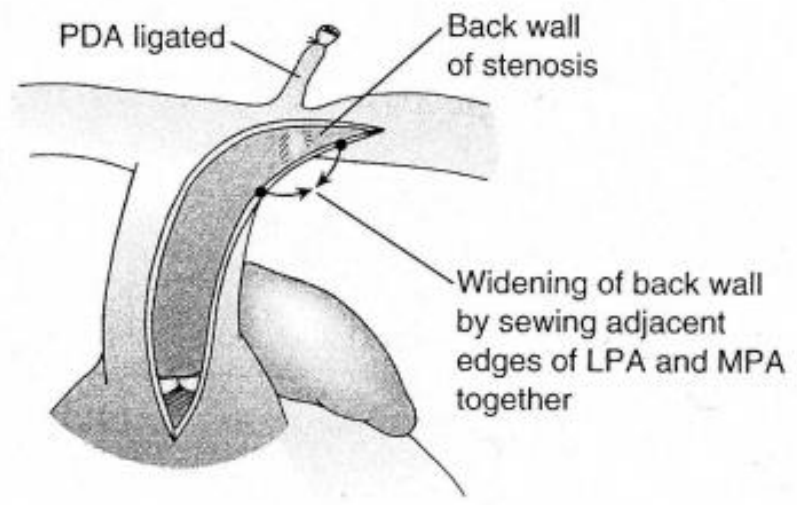


## Causes of postoperative LPA stenosis

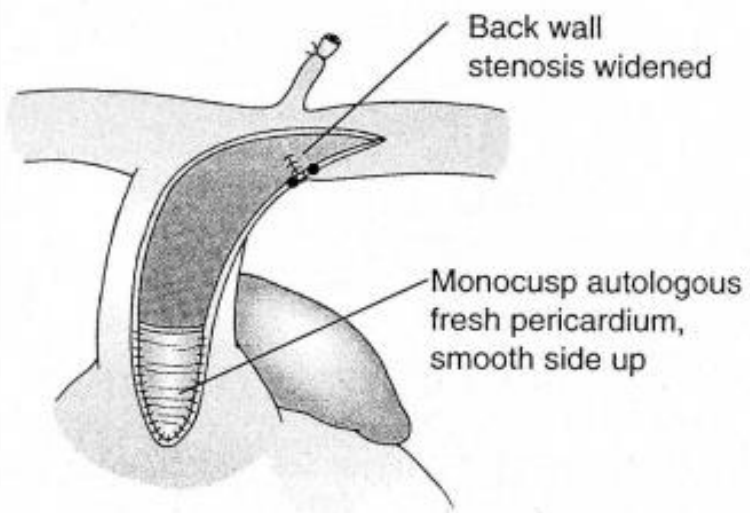
- Inadequate enlargement
- Aneurysmal dilatation of RVOT patch
- Kinking



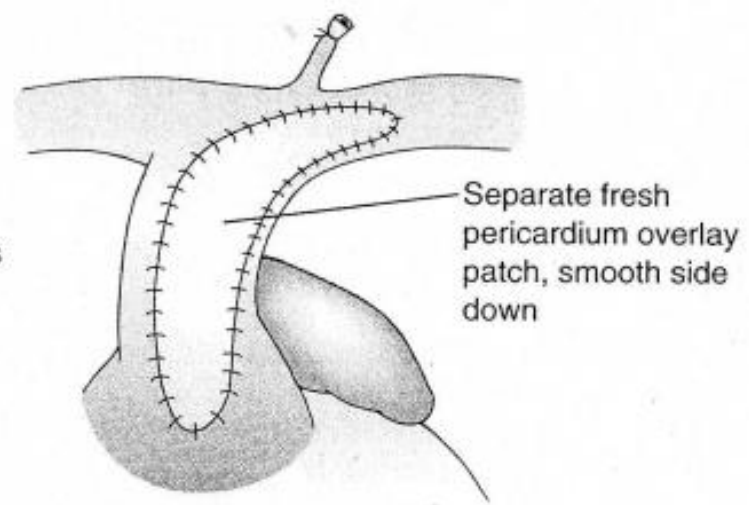
A



B



C



D

# Acute angle of LPA with or without stenosis

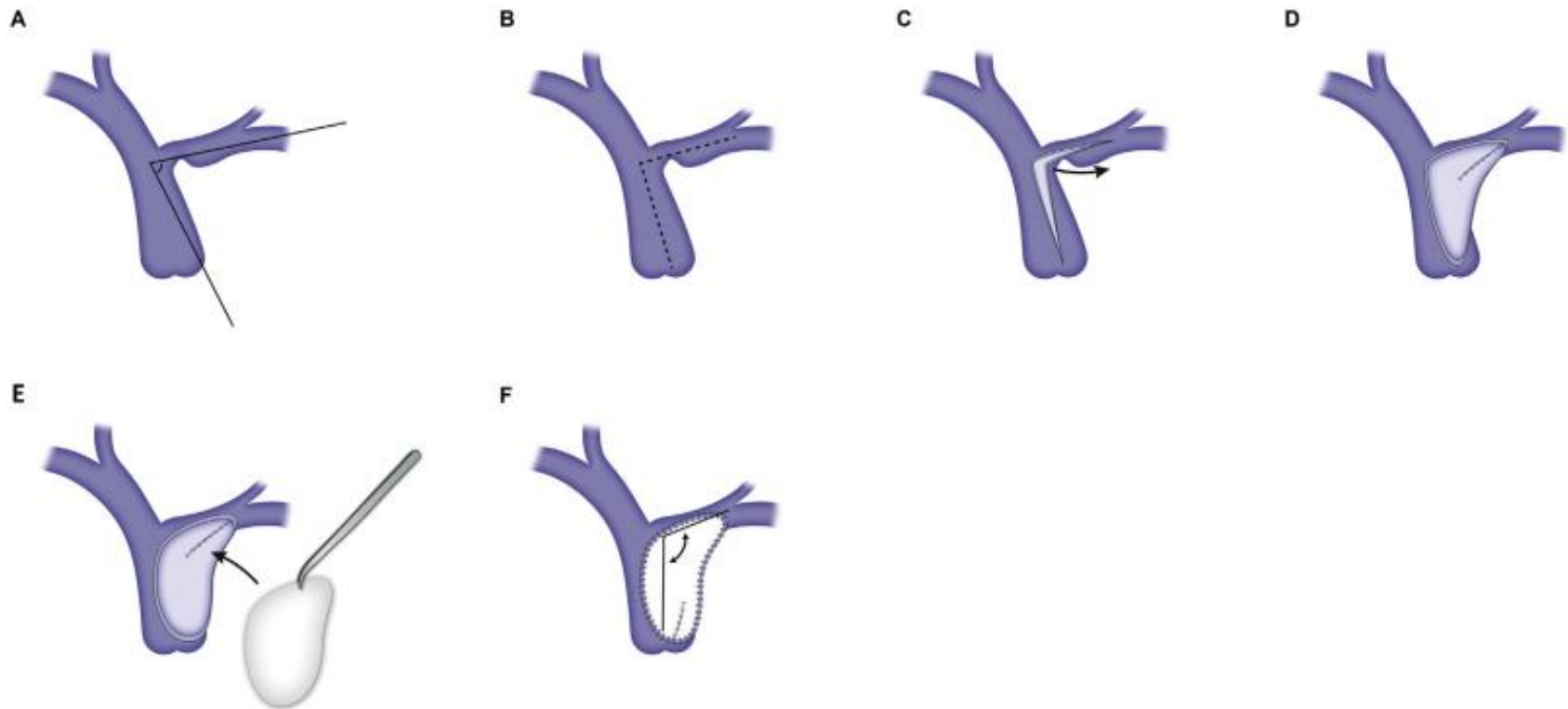
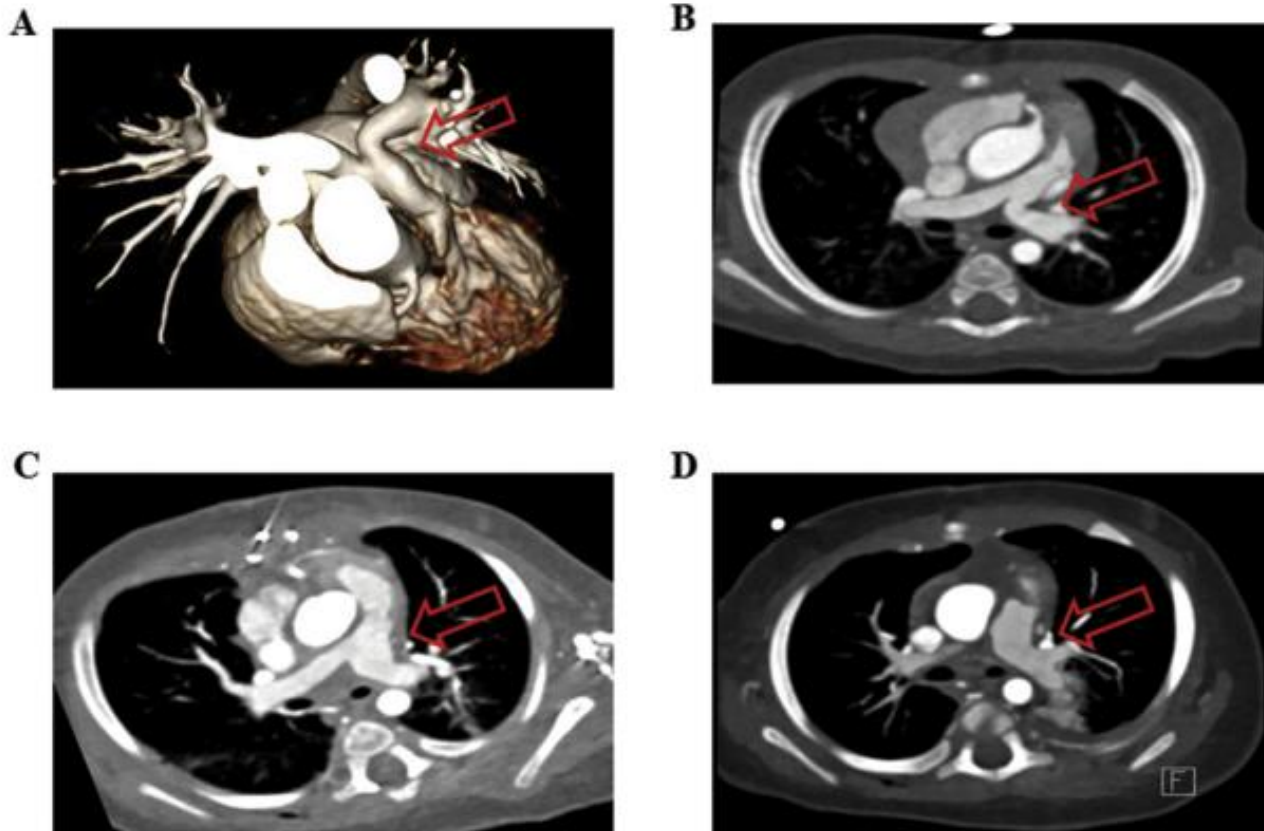


Fig 1. Schematic drawing of a left pulmonary artery (LPA) acute-angle correction angioplasty. (A–B) The main pulmonary artery (MPA)





*Fig 3. Preoperative left pulmonary artery (LPA) stenosis (arrow) and improvement in stenosis (arrow) after acute-angle correction preoperative LPA stenosis in (A) three-dimensional reconstruction computed tomography scan and (B) two-dimensional (2D) axial view. (C-D) Postoperative LPA improvement in 2D axial view.*



# Special topics in surgical management

- Hypoplastic PA
  - McGoon ratio  $<1.2$
  - Nakata index  $<70$
  - Uncommon in the patients with TOF with PS
  - Hypoplasia is most likely to be a result of underperfusion of the PAs
  - Prompt enlargement can be expected when pressure and flow are restored
  - Intraop RV pr
    - ASD creation or large perforation in the VSD patch

- Use of monocusp valve

Functions transiently at best

**Bigras et al.** no significant differences in the degree of early postoperative PR or in clinical outcomes (JTCS 1966;112:33)

**Gundry et al.** 16 of 19 patients had competent monocusp valves immediately after operation, but only one of 7 patients had a competent valve by 24 months postoperatively (JTCS 1994;107:908)

If extensive reconstruction for the branch pulmonary arteries is required or if there is distal disease of the pulmonary vasculature, inclusion of a monocusp in the repair may improve hemodynamics in the immediate postoperative state.

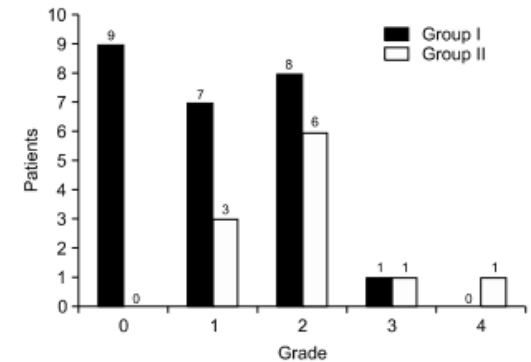
# Surgical Results of Monocusp Implantation with Transannular Patch Angioplasty in Tetralogy of Fallot Repair

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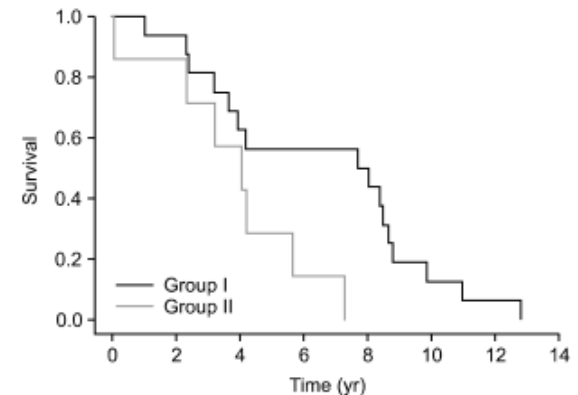
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**Background:** Monocusp reconstruction with a transannular patch (TAP) results in early improvement because it relieves residual volume hypertension during the immediate postoperative period. However, few reports have assessed the long-term surgical outcomes of this procedure. The purpose of the present study was to evaluate the mid-term surgical outcomes of tetralogy of Fallot (TOF) repair using monocusp reconstruction with a TAP. **Methods:** Between March 2000 and March 2009, 36 patients with a TOF received a TAP. A TAP with monocusp reconstruction (group I) was used in 25 patients and a TAP without monocusp reconstruction (group II) was used in 11 patients. We evaluated hemodynamic parameters using echocardiography during the follow-up period in both groups. **Results:** At the most recent follow-up echocardiography (mean follow-up, 8.2 years), the mean pulmonary valve velocities of the patients in group I and group II were  $2.1 \pm 1.0$  m/sec and  $0.9 \pm 0.9$  m/sec, respectively ( $p=0.001$ ). Although the incidence of grade 3-4 pulmonary regurgitation (PR) was not significantly different between the two groups (group I: 16 patients, 64.0%; group II: 7 patients, 70.0%;  $p=0.735$ ) during the follow-up period, the interval between the treatment and the incidence of PR aggravation was longer in group I than in group II (group I:  $6.5 \pm 3.4$  years; group II:  $3.8 \pm 2.2$  years;  $p=0.037$ ). **Conclusion:** Monocusp reconstruction with a TAP prolonged the interval between the initial treatment and grade 3-4 PR aggravation. Patients who received a TAP with monocusp reconstruction to repair TOF were not to progress to pulmonary stenosis during the follow-up period as those who received a TAP without monocusp reconstruction.

**Key words:** 1. Tetralogy of Fallot  
2. Transannular patch  
3. Monocusp reconstruction

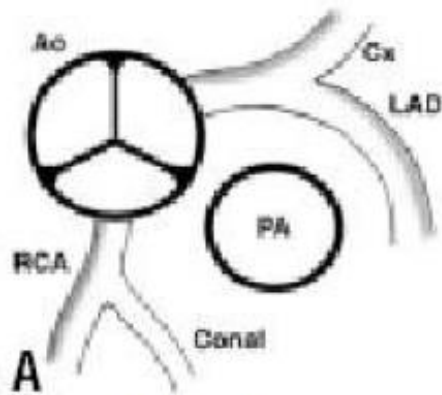


**Fig. 1.** Pulmonary regurgitation grade during the immediate postoperative period. No significant difference was found between group I and group II in immediate follow-up echocardiography ( $p=0.108$ ).

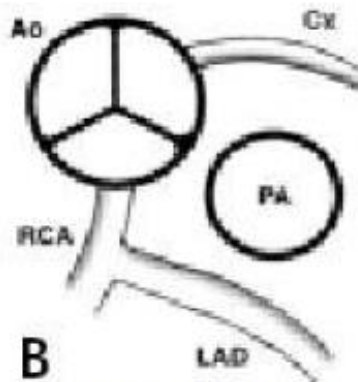


**Fig. 3.** Comparison of the extent to which patients in each group were free from the aggravation of PR. More patients in group I were free from grade 3-4 PR than in group II. PR, pulmonary regurgitation. Group I: 3 years,  $81.3 \pm 9.8\%$ ; 5 years,  $56.3 \pm 12.4\%$ ; 10 years,  $43.8 \pm 12.4\%$ ; group II: 3 years,  $71.4 \pm 17.1\%$ ; 5 years,  $42.9 \pm 18.7\%$ ;  $p=0.025$ .

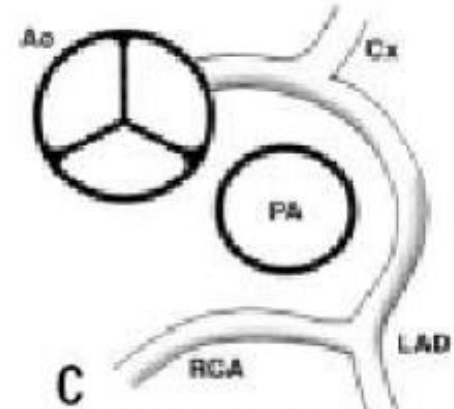
- Anomalous coronary artery crossing RVOT



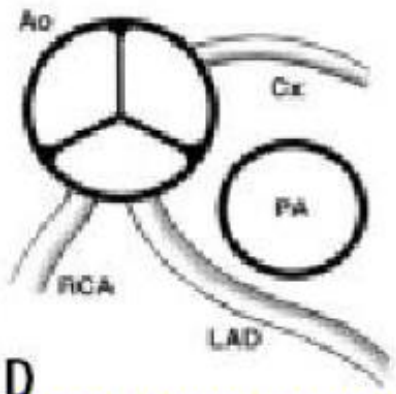
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Normal



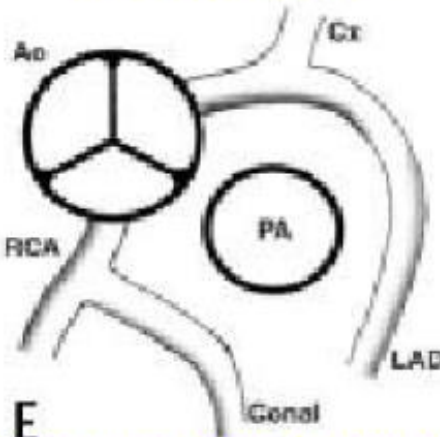
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LAD from RCA



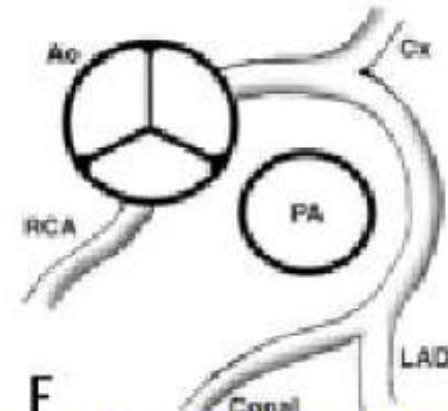
**C**  
RCA from LAD



**D**  
LAD from Rt coronary sinus

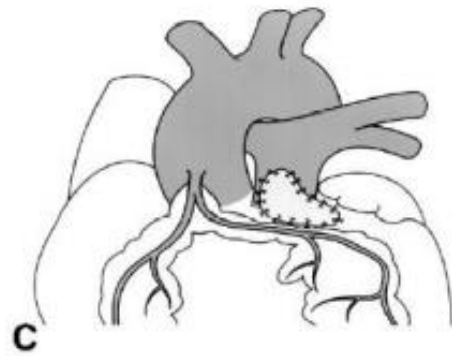
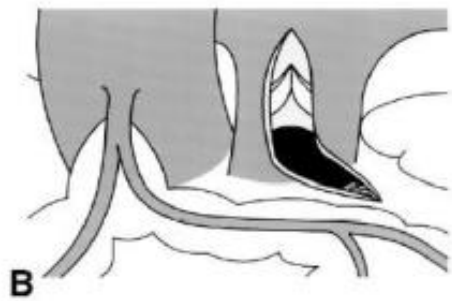
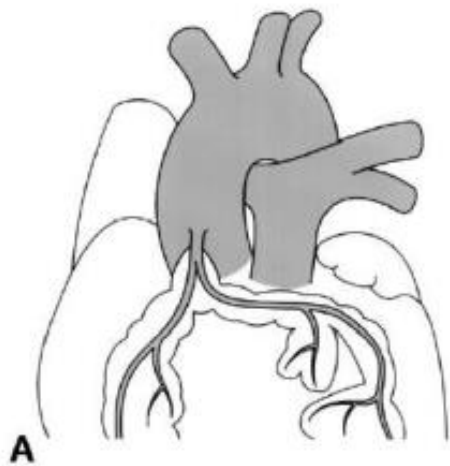


**E**  
Large conal branch from RCA

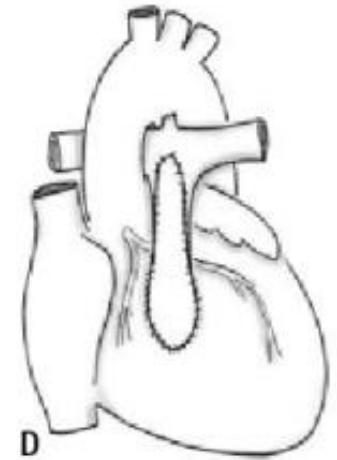


**F**  
Large conal branch from LAD

- Surgical management
  - Transatrial and transpulmonary approach
  - Incision through MPA and PA annulus and to left of anomalous LAD
  - RVOT patching under the anomalous coronary artery
  - Conduit reconstruction
  - Translocation of the PA to a distal ventriculotomy
  - Proximally based PA flap-double outlet technique



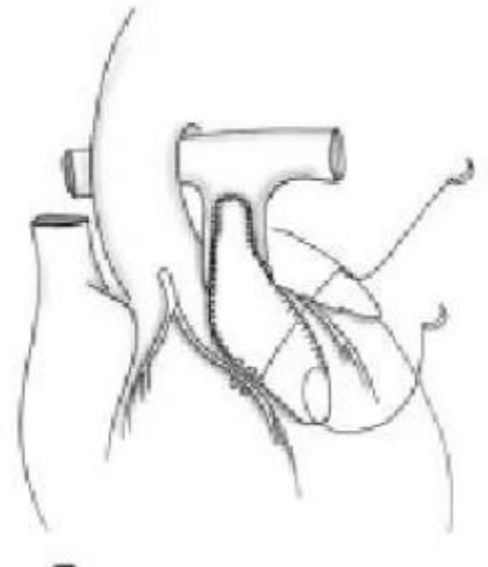
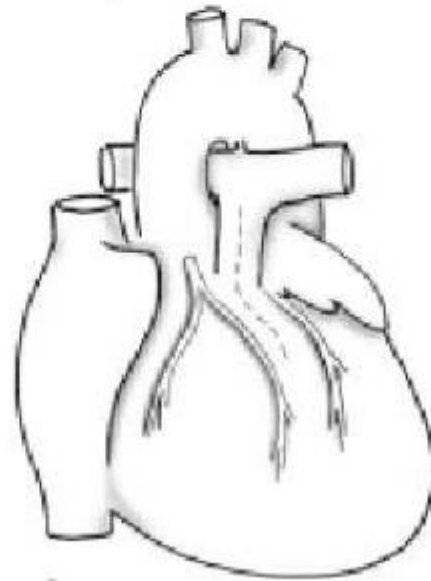
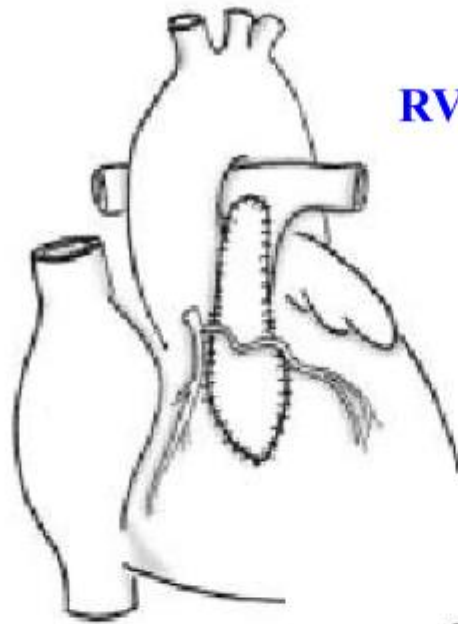
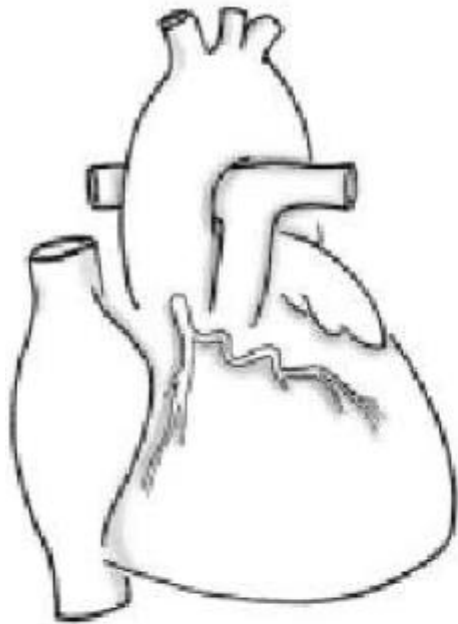
**Incision to left of anomalous LAD**

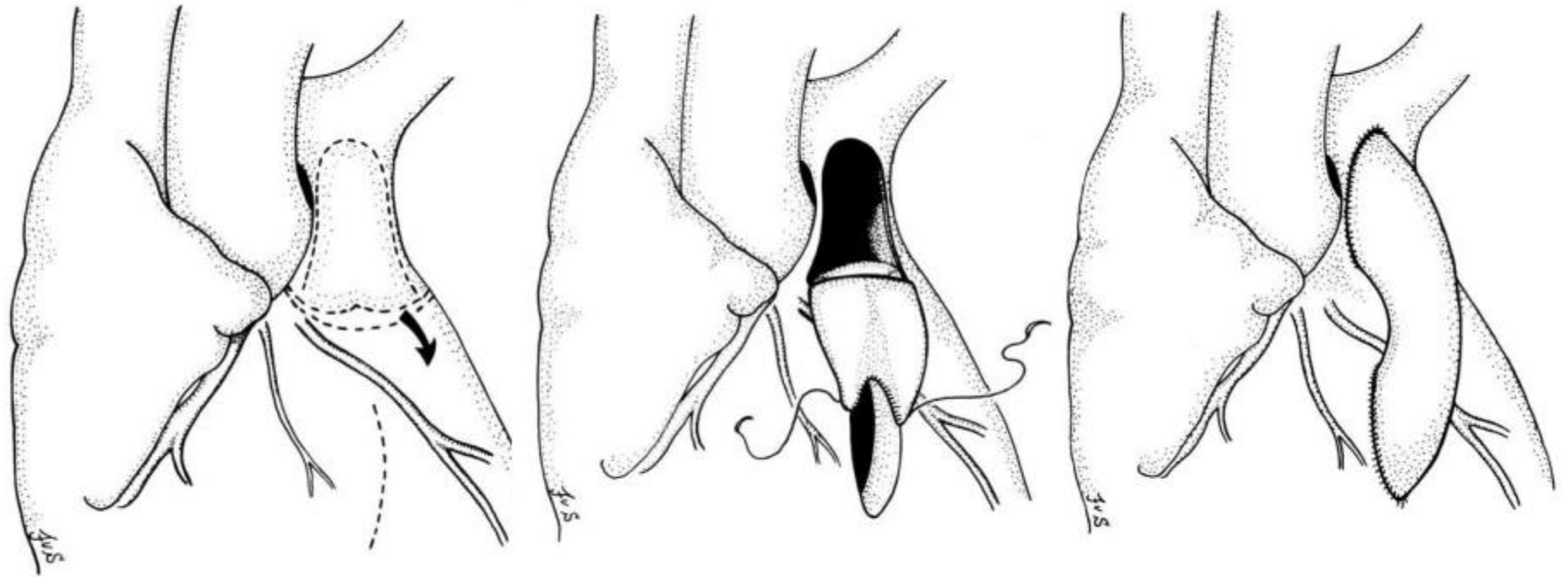


**Translocation of MPA to a ventriculotomy**



**RVOT patching under the anomalous CA**





**Pulmonary artery flap - double outlet technique**

# Results of reoperation

- RVOTO
- PR
- Residual VSD
  
- Main causes of cardiac death in long-term survivors
  - Sudden death (Arrhythmia)
  - HF

- PVR
  - 2% of patients at 10-years FU and 12% after 20 years
  - Risk factors
    - TAP (large RVOT patch)
    - Peripheral PA stenosis
    - Residual VSD
    - Duration after TOF repair
    - Early repair or late repair?

- Indication for PVR
  - Symptomatic (decreased exercise tolerance, decreased functional class)
  - Progressive RV enlargement and RV dysfunction
  - LV dysfunction by RV
  - Increasing TR
  - Ventricular or supraventricular arrhythmia
  - RVEDV  $> 150 \text{ ml/m}^2$



- Valve choice at PVR
  - Bioprosthesis (bovine vs porcine)
  - Mechanical valve
    - When anticoagulation is required
      - Mechanical valve at aortic or mitral position
      - Afib
    - Repaid degeneration of previous tissue valve
    - Previous multiple operation

# Arrhythmias

- Follow more than 20 years after TOF
  - 2~4% for Afib/Flutter
  - 3~4% for sustained VT
  - 2~4% for sudden cardiac death
- Holter monitoring
  - 19% for sustained VT
  - 23% for Afib/Flutter
- Risk factors
  - Elevated RV volume and pressure
  - Decreased RV or LV EF
  - PR
  - RVOT aneurysm