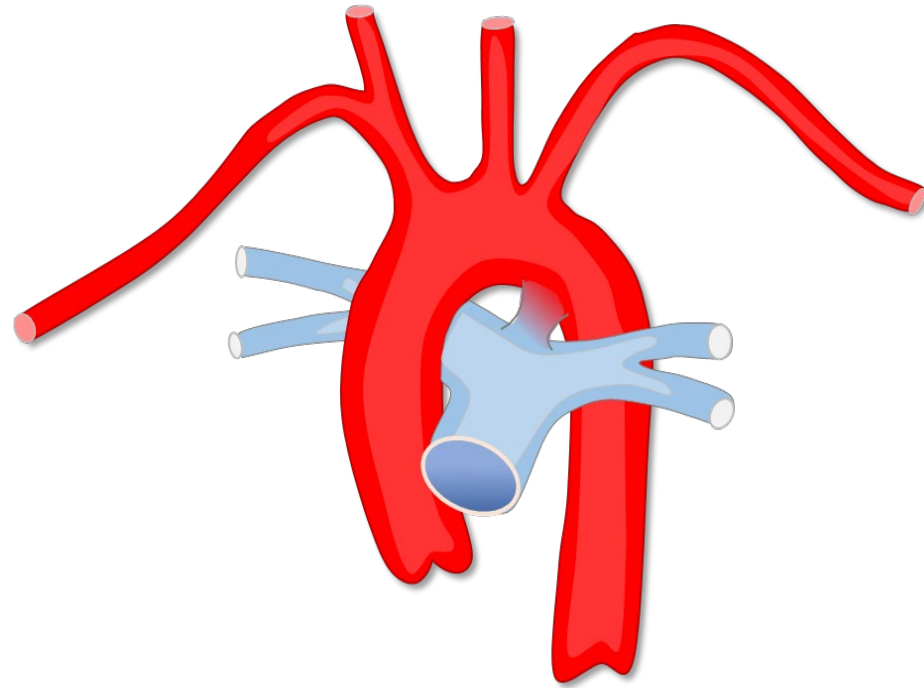
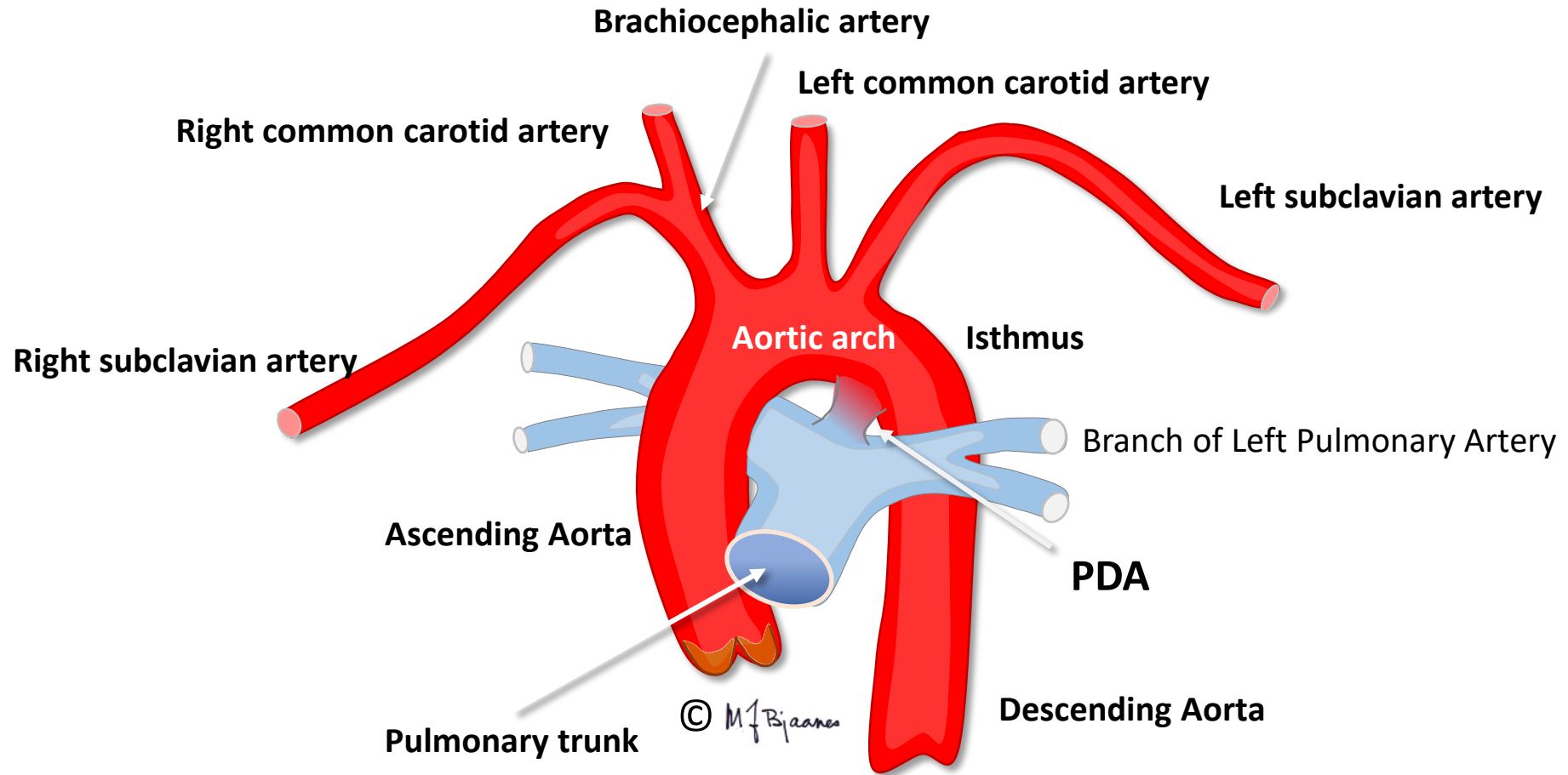


# PDA Introduction

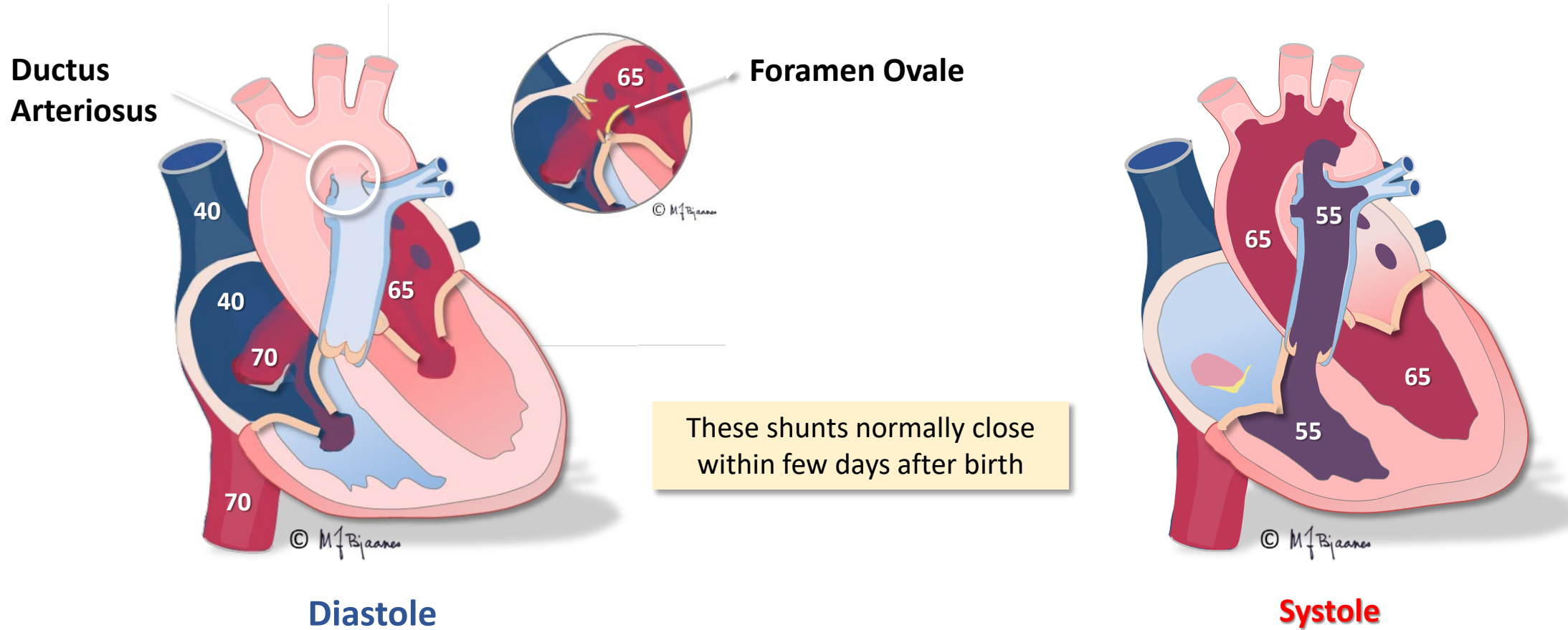


# Aorta and the Pulmonary Artery Anatomy



# Fetal shunts

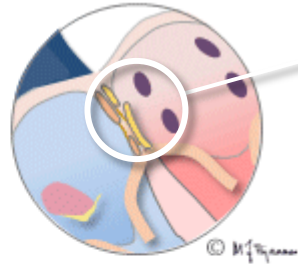
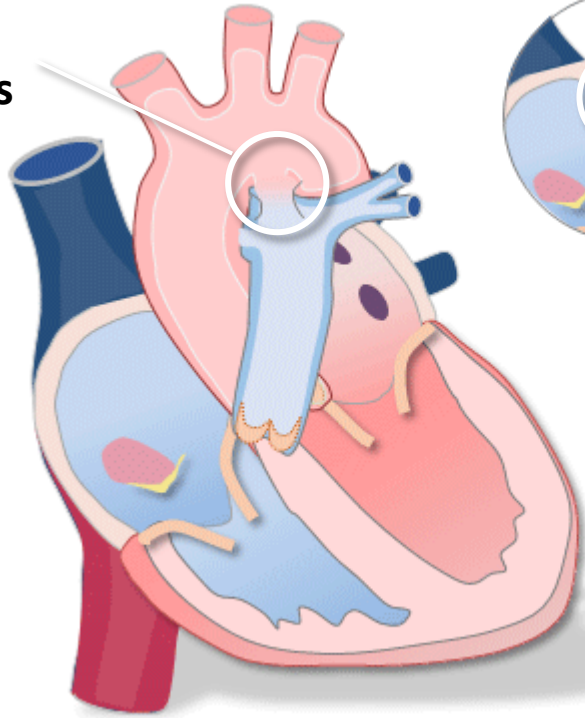
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# Fetal Shunts

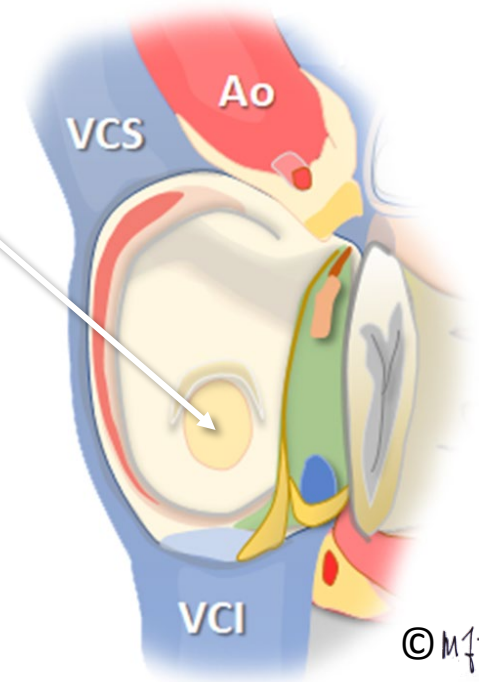
## Foramen ovale / Ductus arteriosus

Ductus arteriosus



Foramen ovale

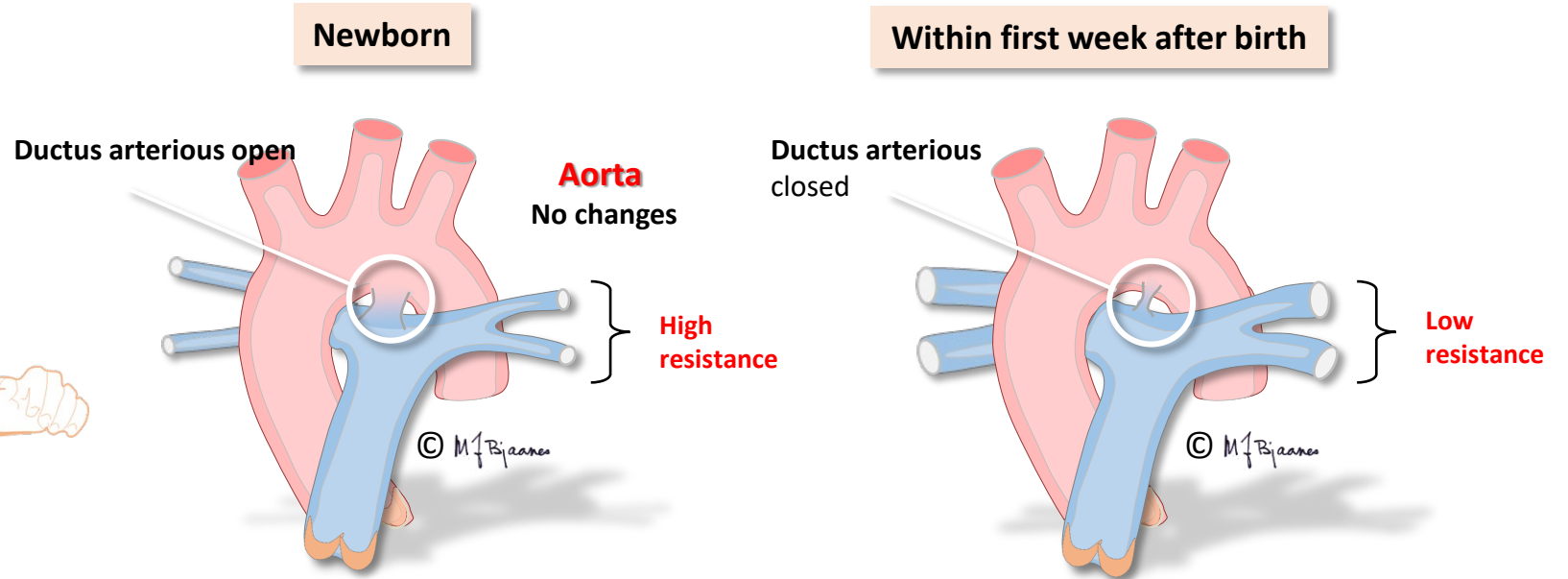
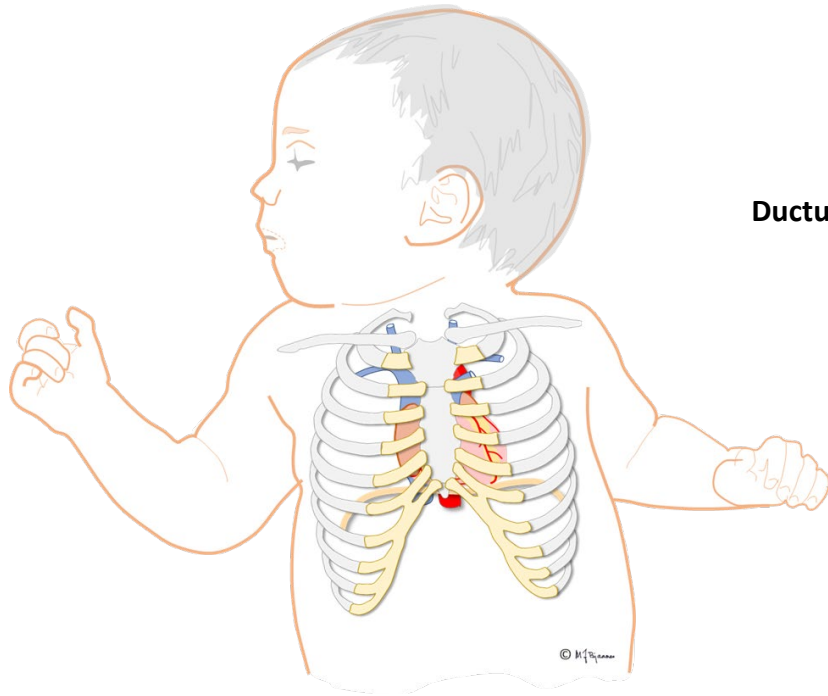
Right atrium and atrial septum



PFO and PDA normally close within few days after birth

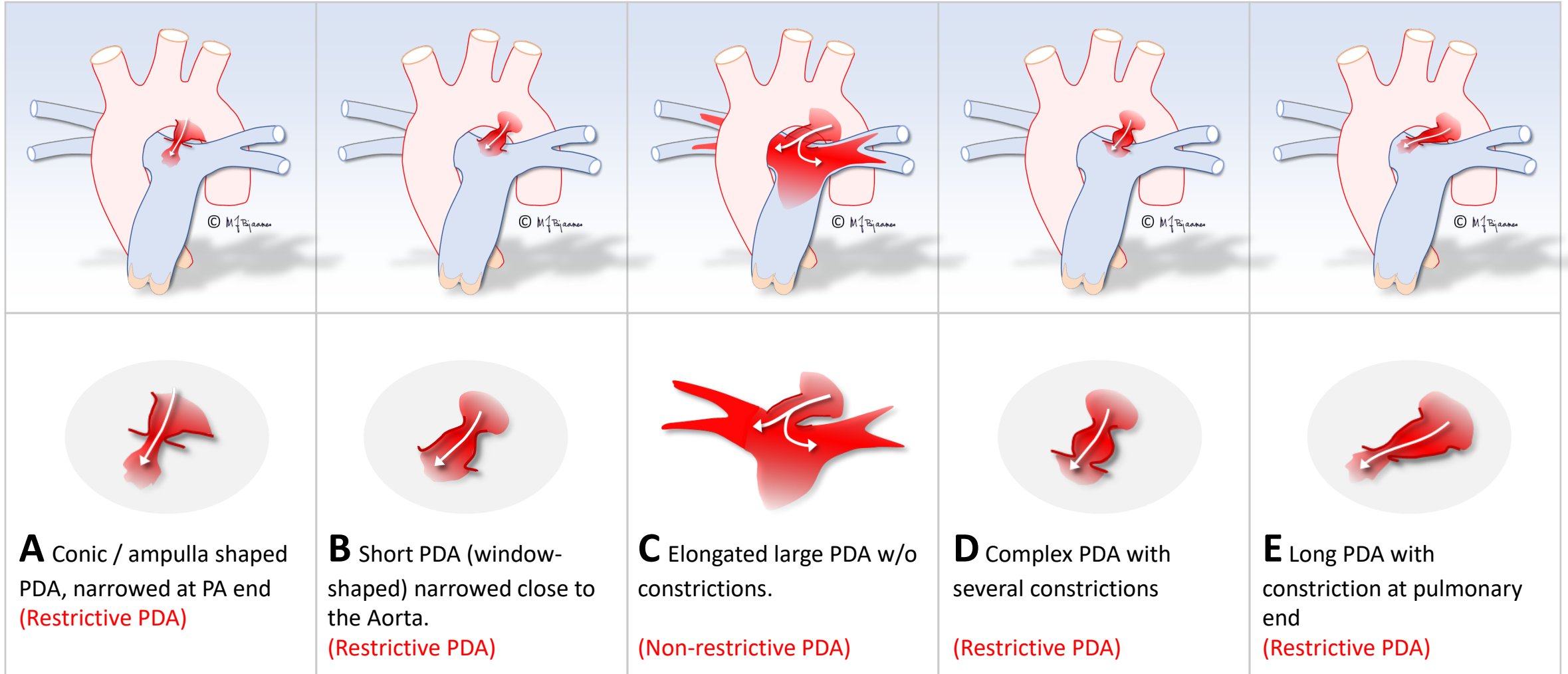
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# Normal physiology – pulmonary artery changes after birth



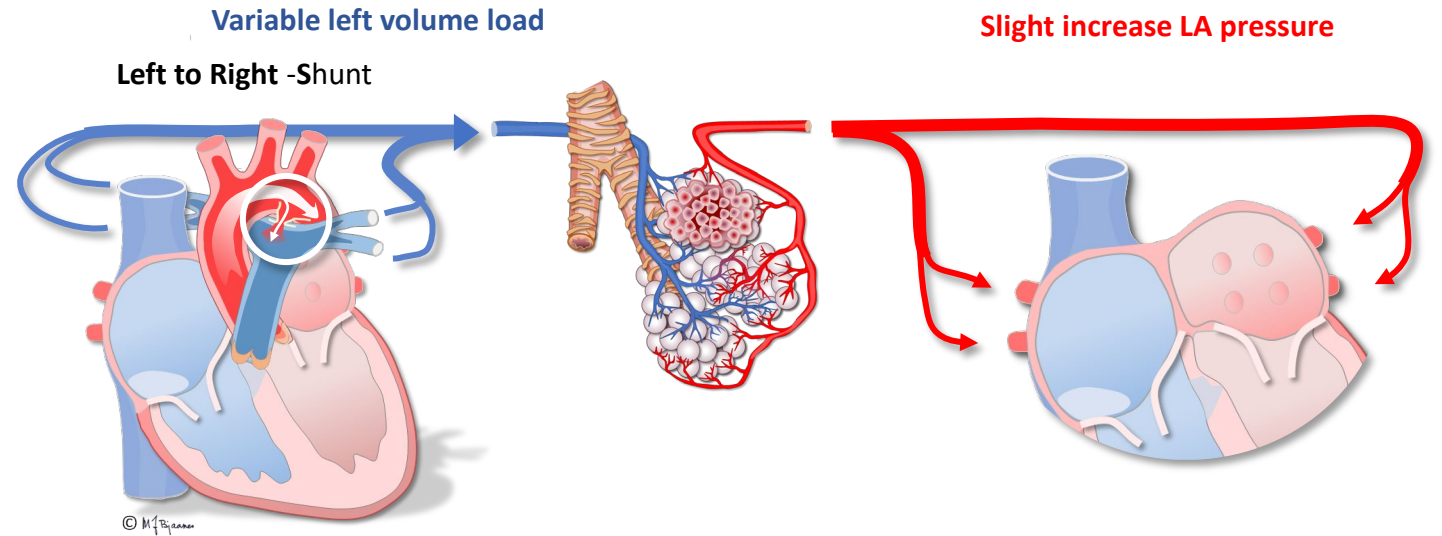
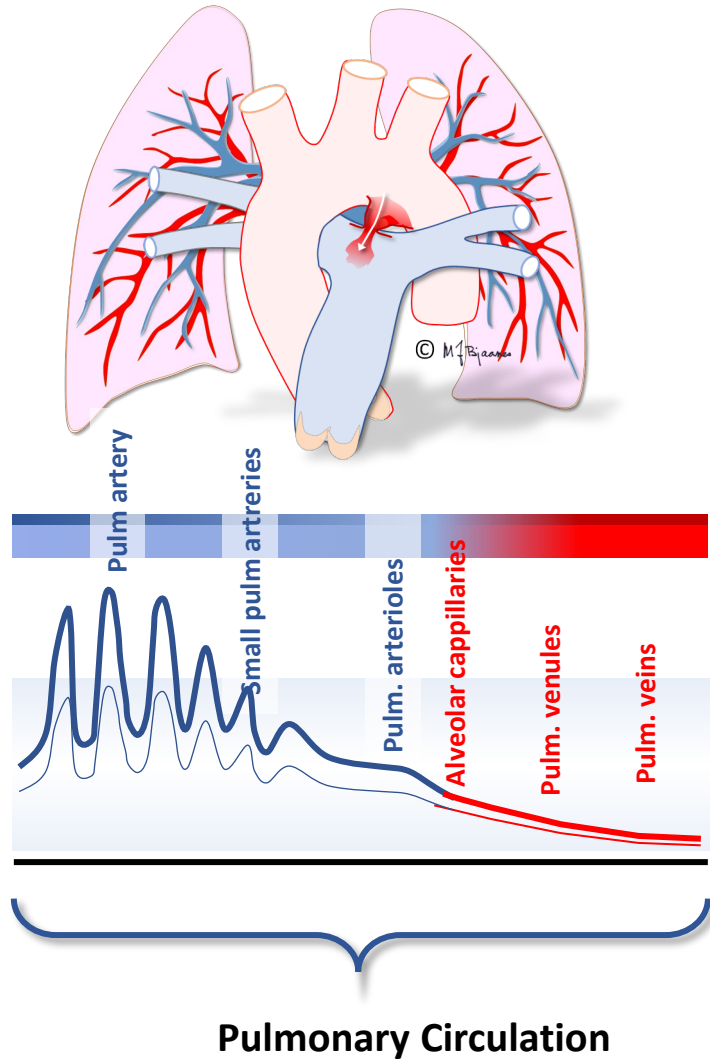
Lungs are inflated and Pulmonary arteries accommodate the full cardiac output. PVR drops as lung tissue is expanded and PA arteriolar wall thickness regresses.

# PDA – Different Morphologies



# Restrictive PDA

Patient is often asymptomatic

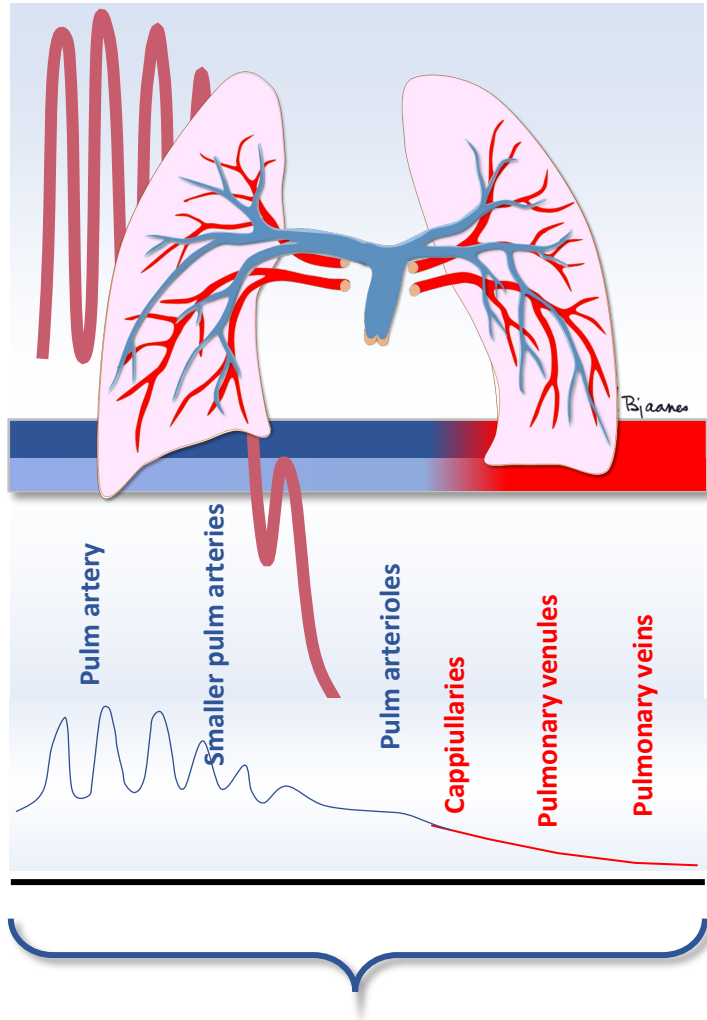


## Determinants of pressure drop/flow through PDA:

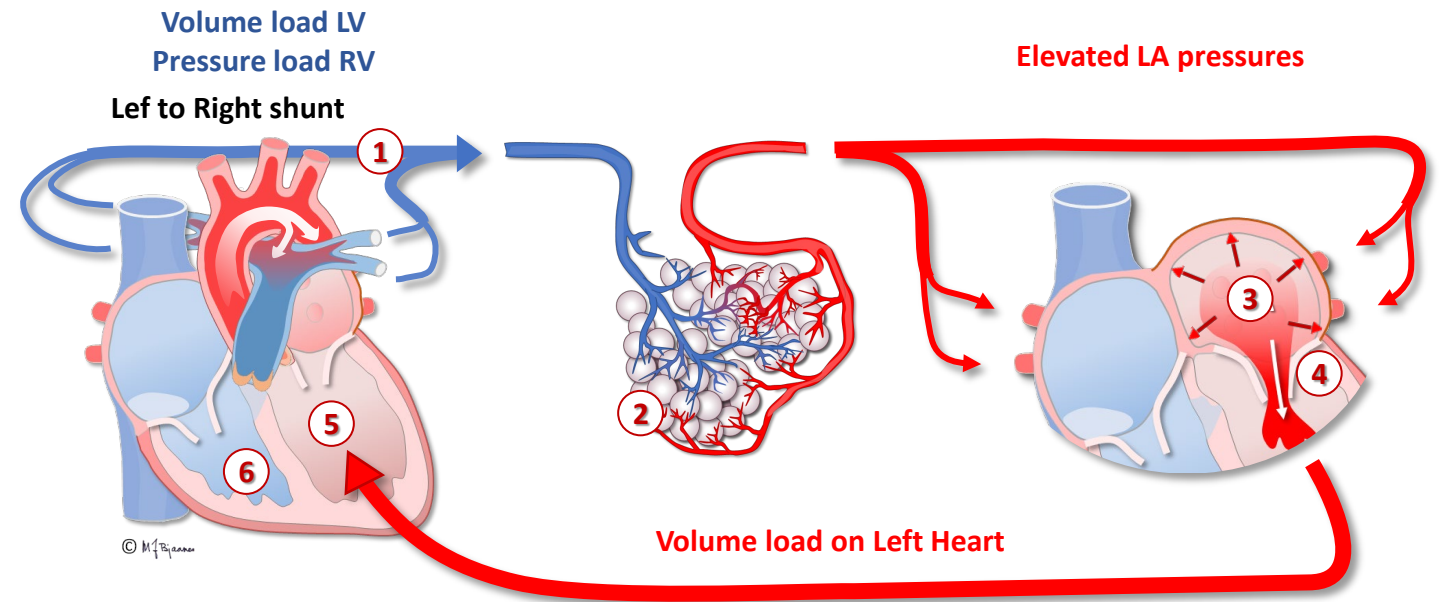
1. Form, length og width of PDA
2. Tissue elasticity
3. Elevated PVR
4. LV and RV function

# Large non-restrictive PDA

laminar flow



Pulmonary Circulation

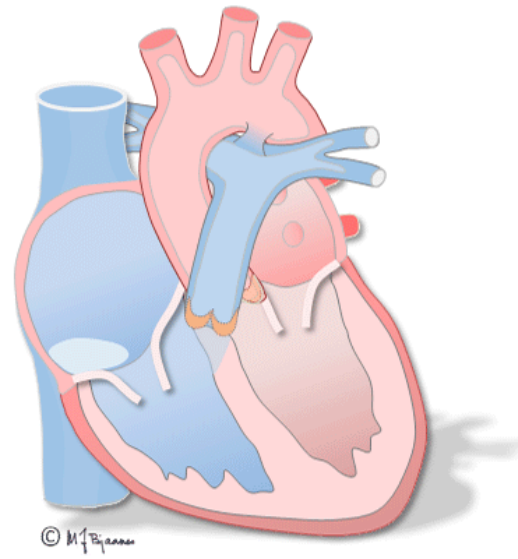


With time hyperflow and pressure may damage:

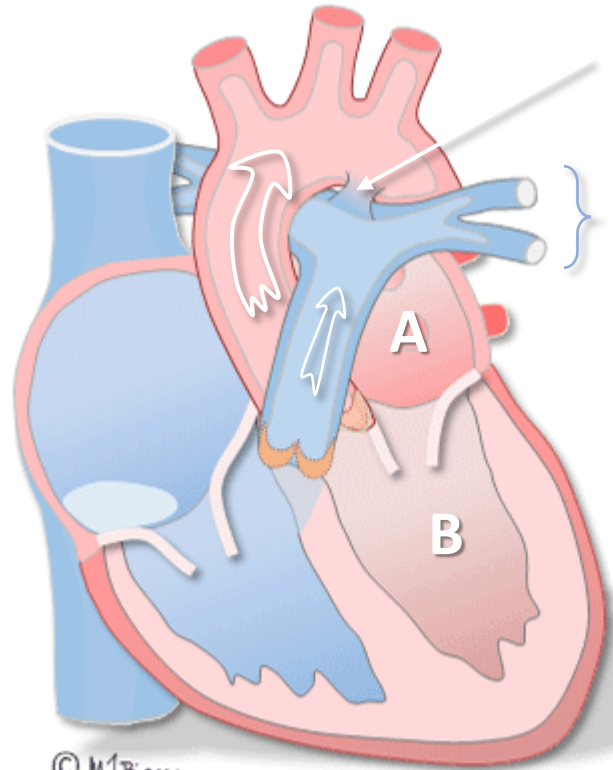
1. Pulmonary arteries (loss of compliance)
2. Pulmonary arterioles – wall thickening
3. Alveoli og capillaries (dysfunctional respiratory unit)
4. Left atrium dilatation (arrhythmia risk)
5. Mitral Valve Annulus dilatation (regurgitation)
6. RV pressure load (hypertrophy and RV failure)



# Pathophysiology



# Normal heart with PDA (Left to Right-Shunt)



PDA – large non-restrictive PDA with left to right shunt  
Of low velocity

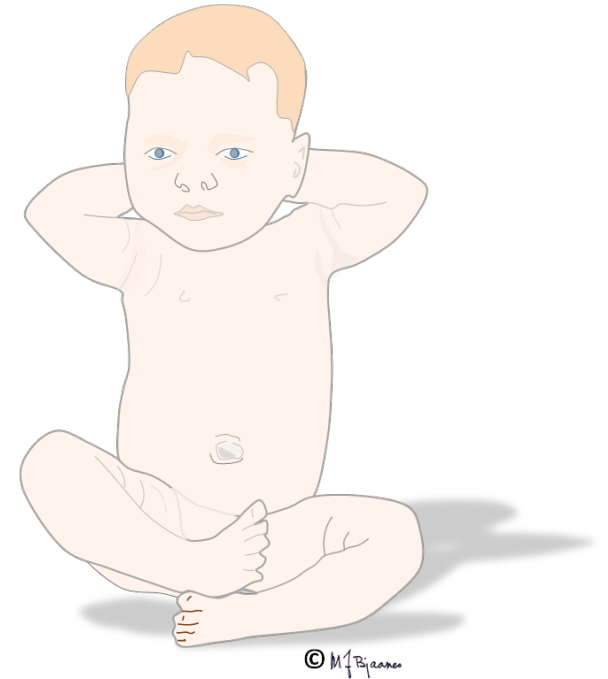
O<sub>2</sub> saturation color scale

40 60 80 100 %

- A. Increased pulmonary venous return
- B. Increased work load on Left Ventricle

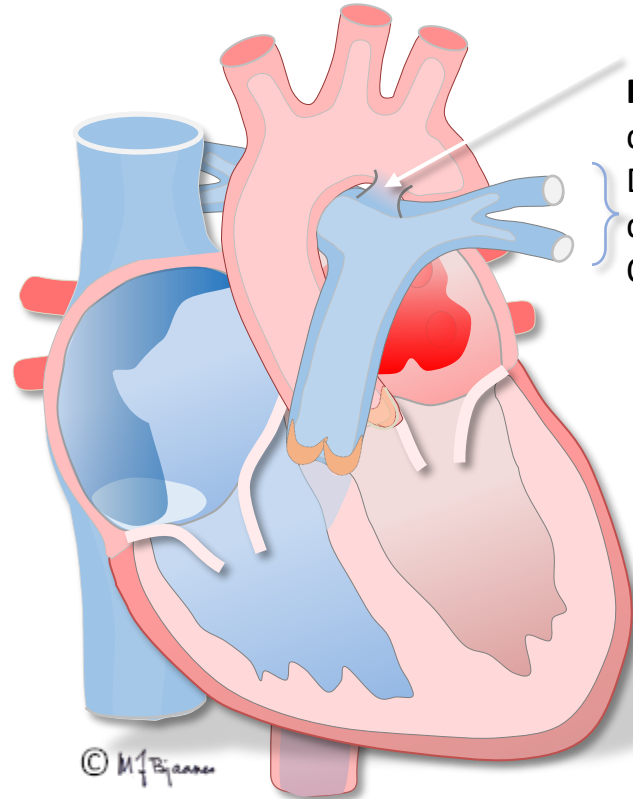
**IF no PDA closure – Eisenmenger may occur**

## Non-cyanotic condition



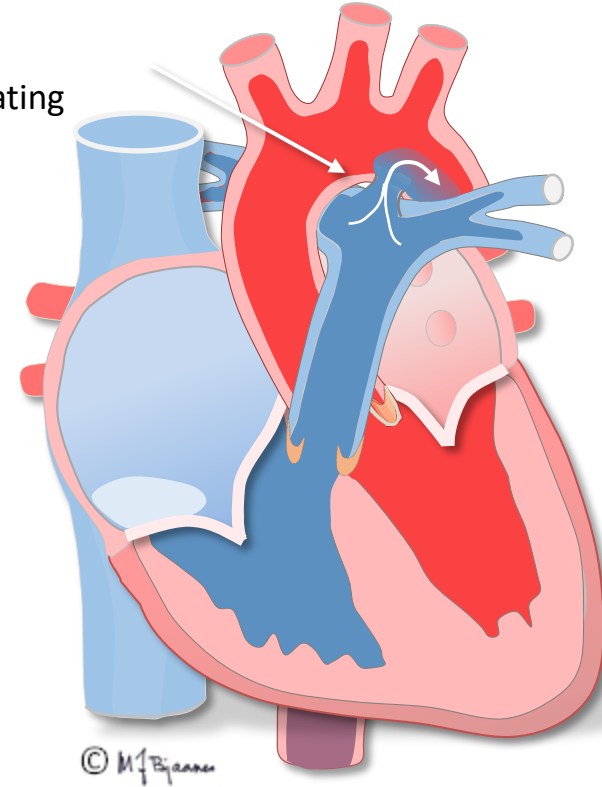
# Non restrictiv PDA with Right to Left –Shunt (Eisenmenger PDA)

## Reversed PDA shunt

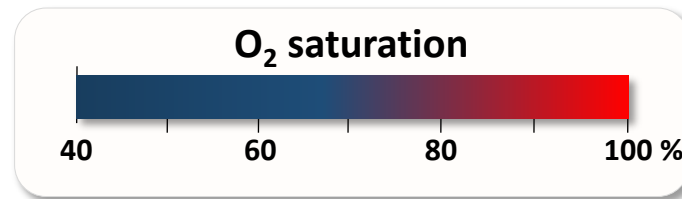


Diastole

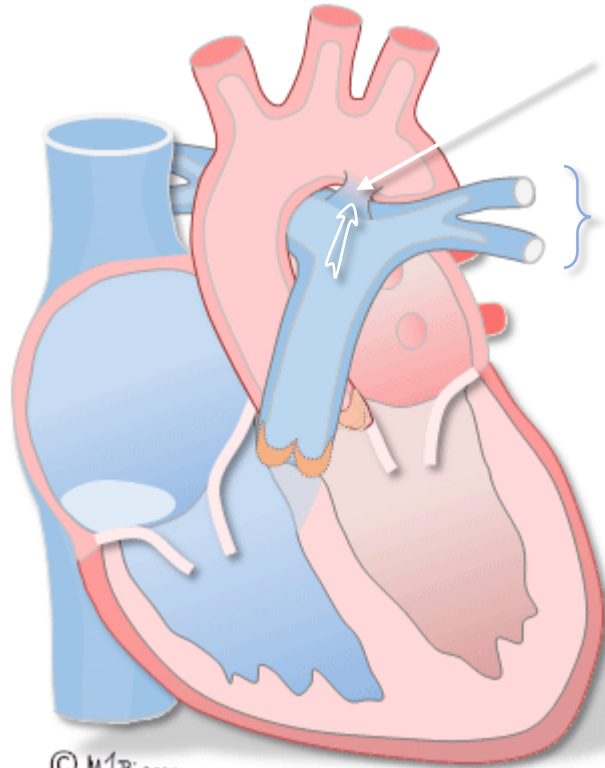
PDA - non restrictive Right to Left shunt creating differential postductal cyanosis.  
Due to high pulmonary vascular resistance developed from systemic pressure exposure  
Over time



Systole

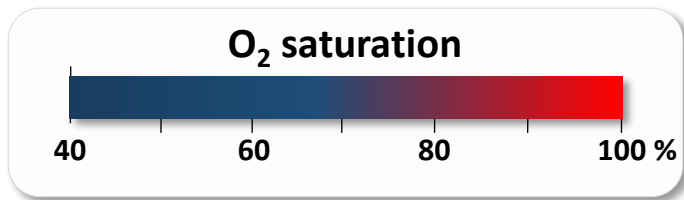
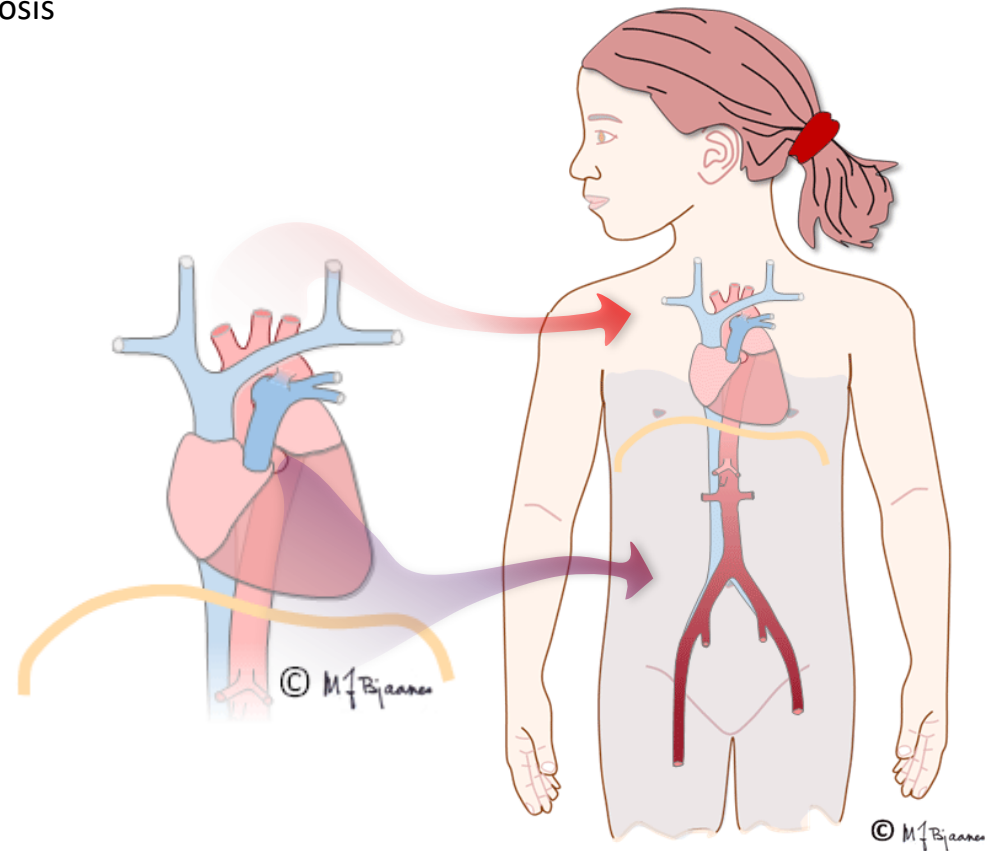


# Eisenmenger PDA (Right to Left Shunt)



**PDA** – large, non-restrictive **Right to Left-Shunt**  
(low velocity)  
Leads to differential cyanosis  
Elevated PVR

**Differential cyanosis**  
Aggravated lower body desaturation  
with activity



# PDA Closure

# PDA – Medical Treatment

## Medications used

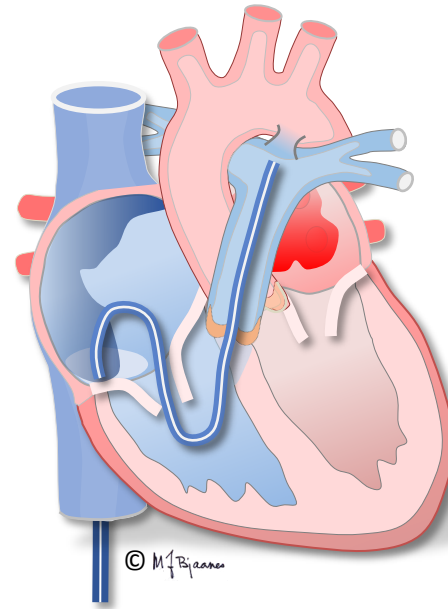
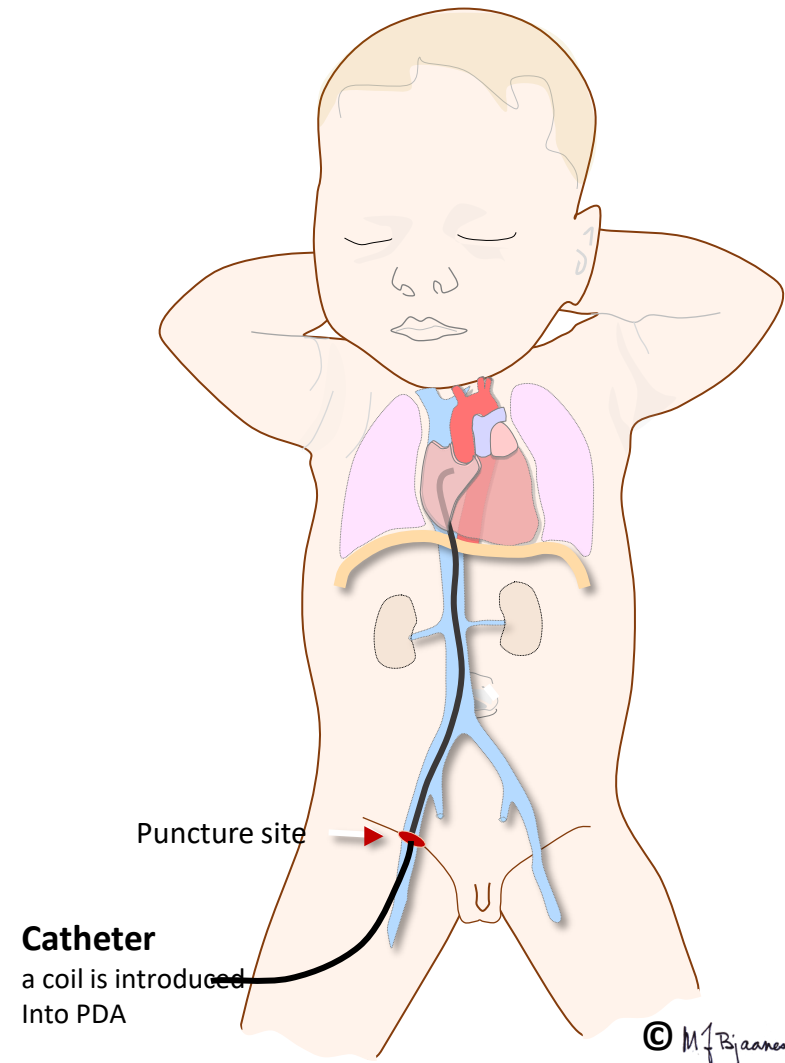
In premature children – a significant PDA will first be treated medically

- Ibuprofen oral
- Indomethacin iv
- Paracetamol iv or oral

Echocardiography to assess treatment effect

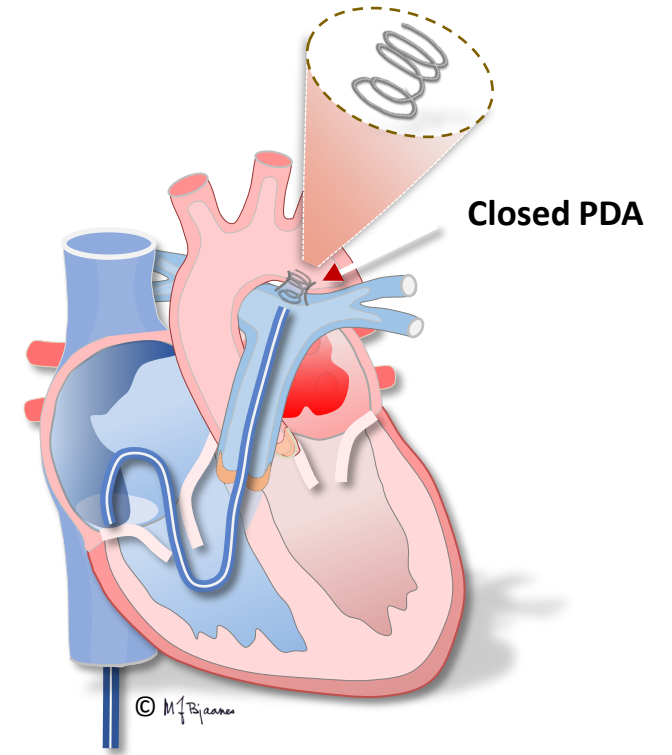
# PDA Treatment – Interventional

## Percutaneous PDA closure



### The Catheter

From the femoral vein through the right atrium, the right ventricle, the pulmonary artery and into the PDA

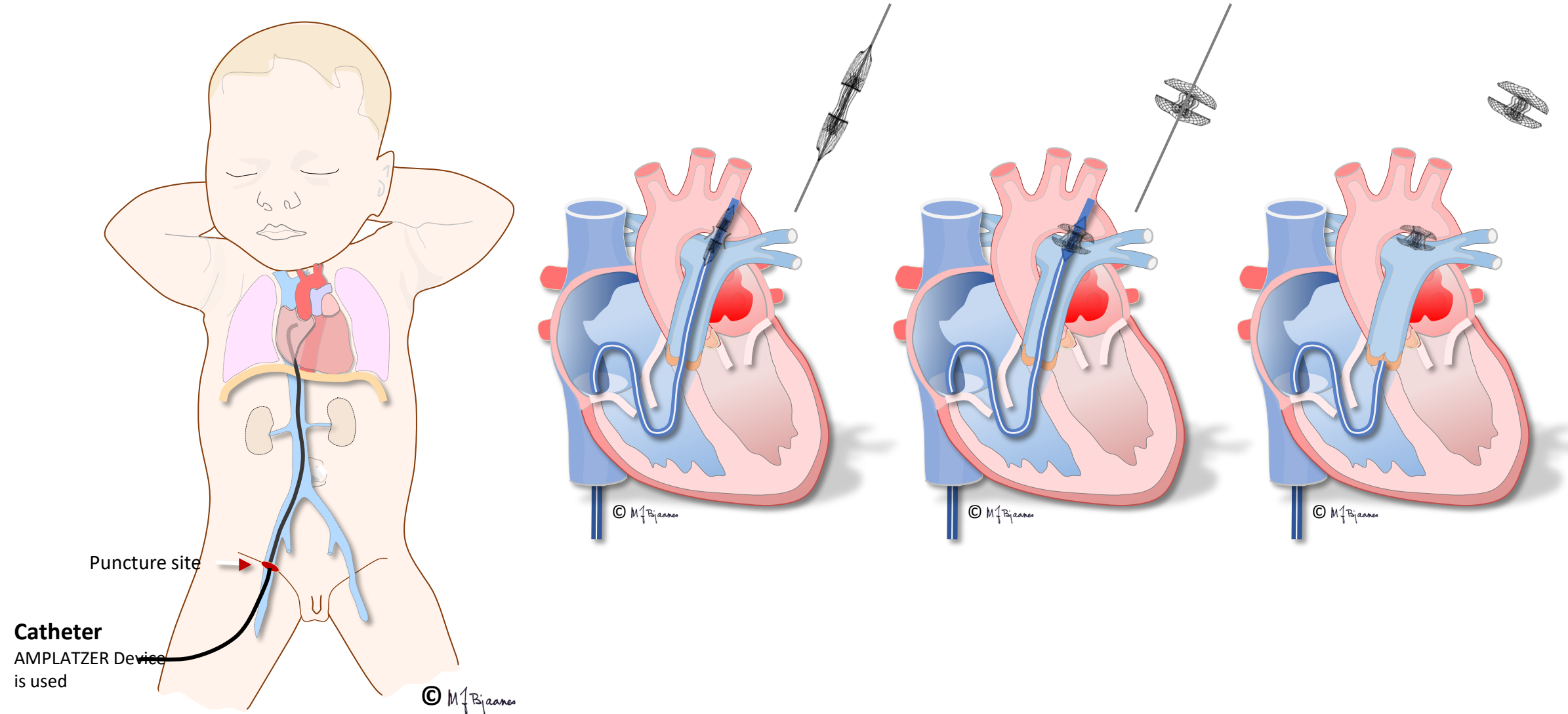


### A metal coil or plug device

Is deployed exactly to occlude the PDA . Aortic and branch PA obstruction is avoided

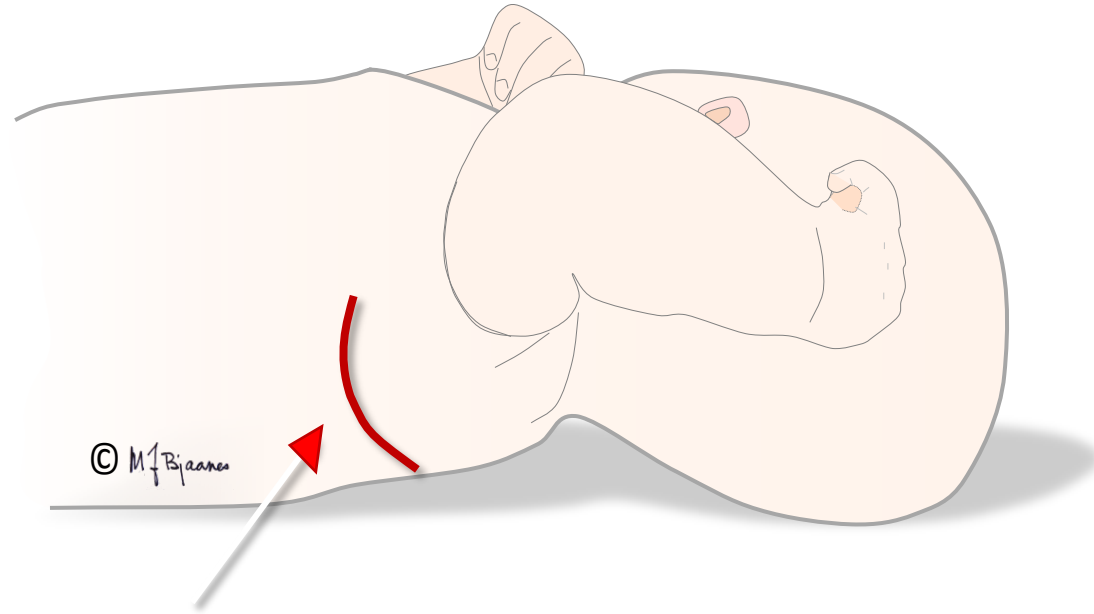
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## Percutaneous PDA closure





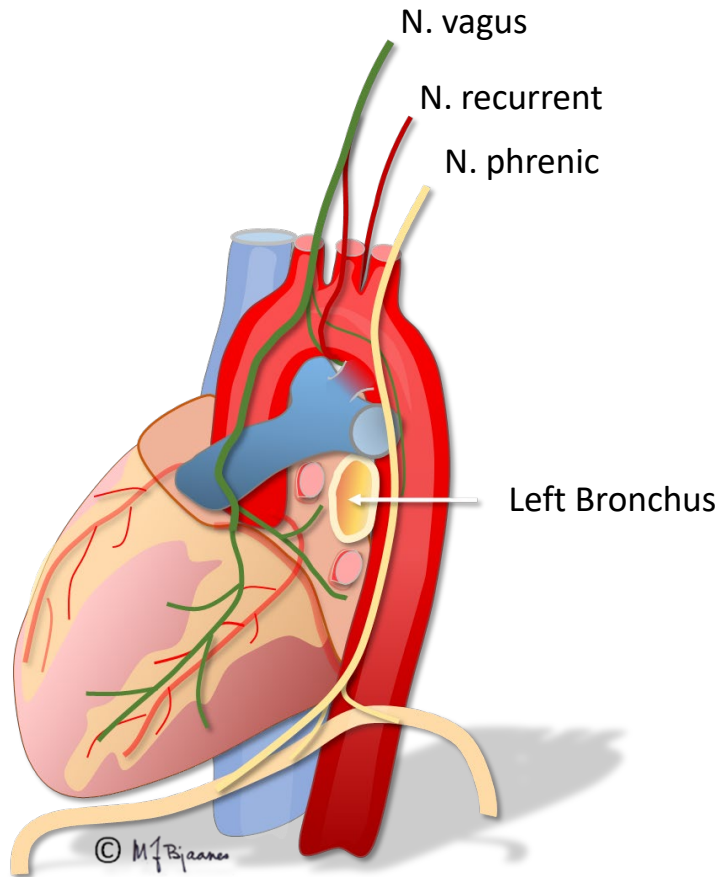
# PDA Treatment – Surgical Closure



Normal access is posterolateral thorachotomy in the 4th intercostal space

# Treatment

## Surgical PDA ligation – look out for these nerves



Left side of the heart

### Damage to:

#### Vagal Nerve

Normally keeps HR down. Damage can create permanent tachycardia

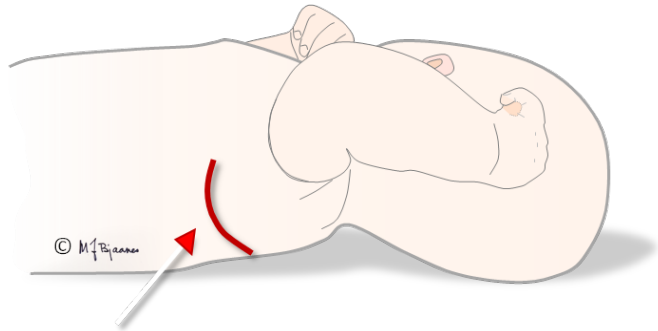
#### Recurrent Laryngeal Nerve

Passes around the PDA to left vocal chord muscles. Damage creates hoarseness voice and/or stridor

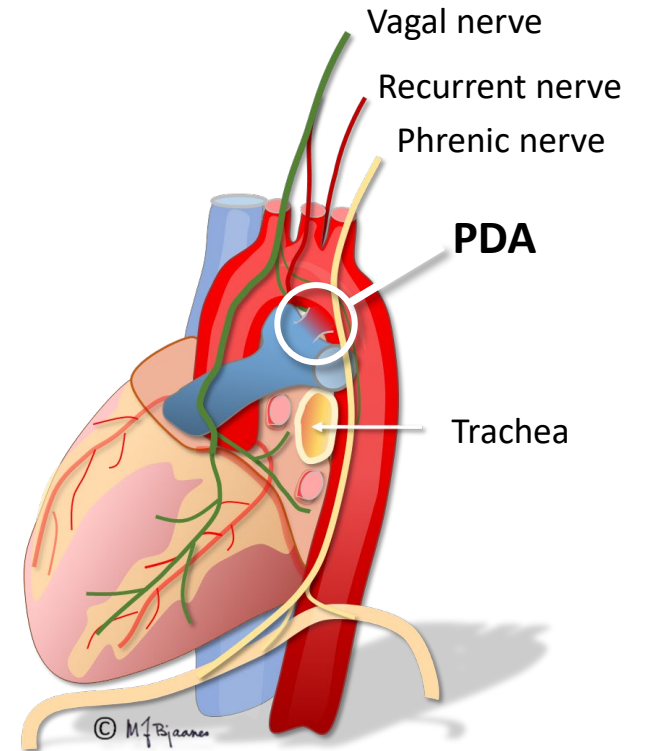
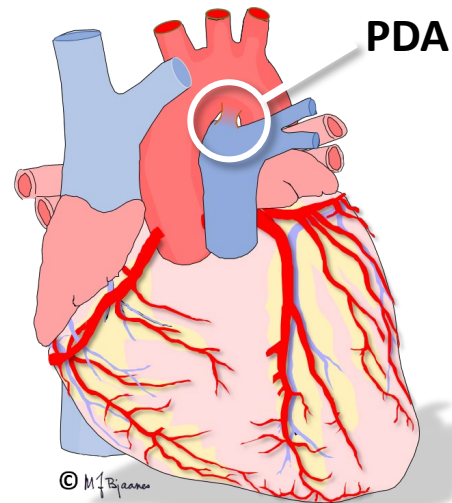
#### Phrenic Nerve

Damage leads to diaphragm palsy

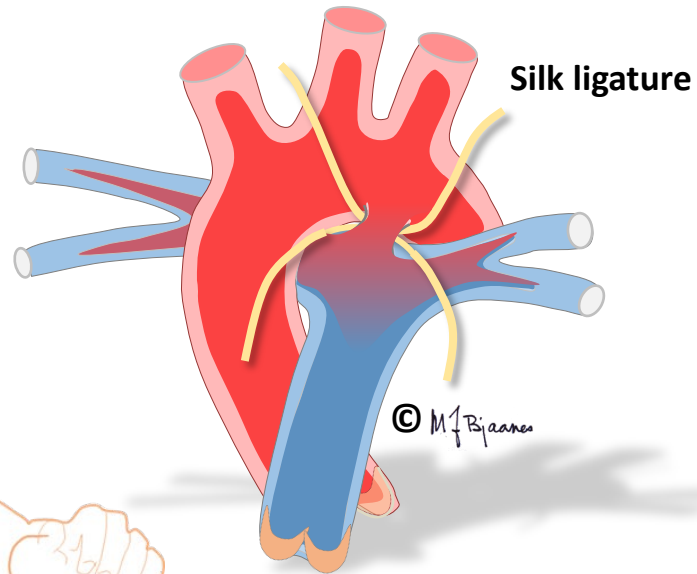
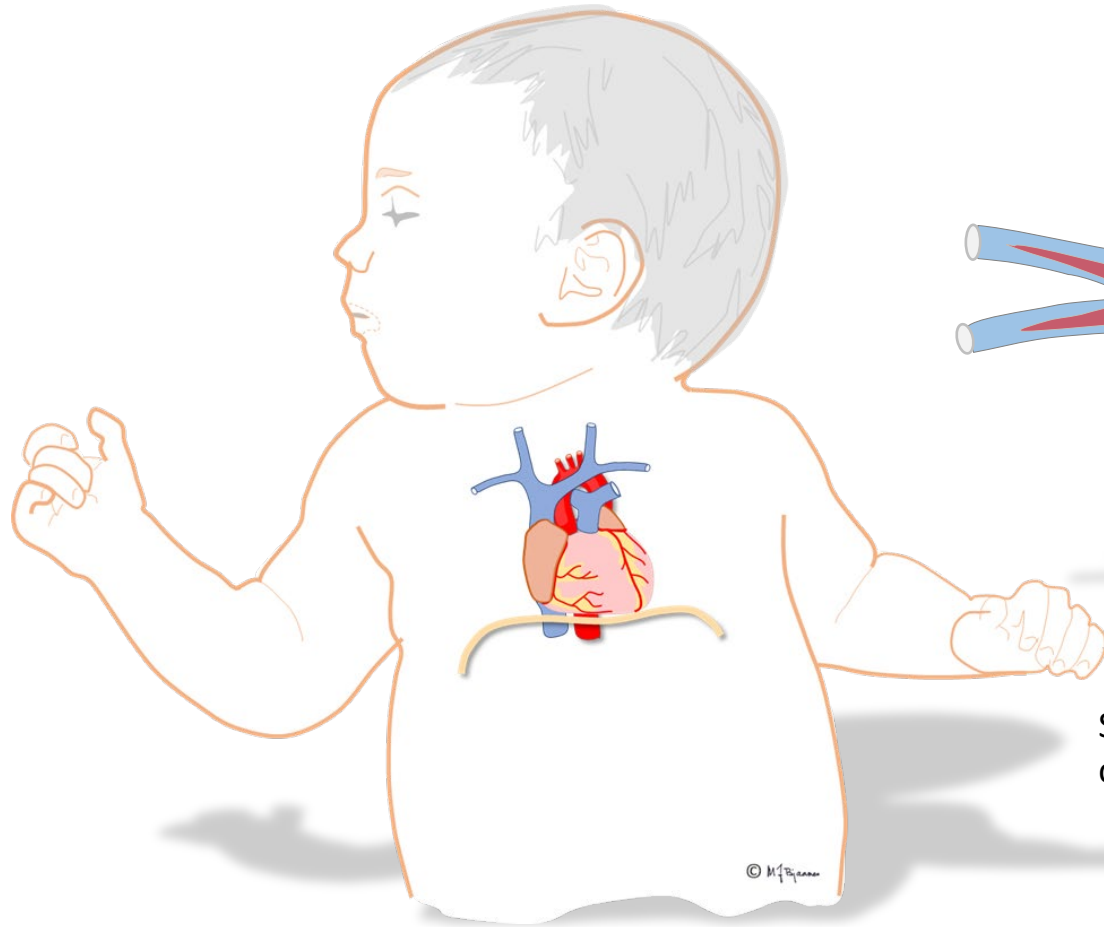
# Surgical PDA closure



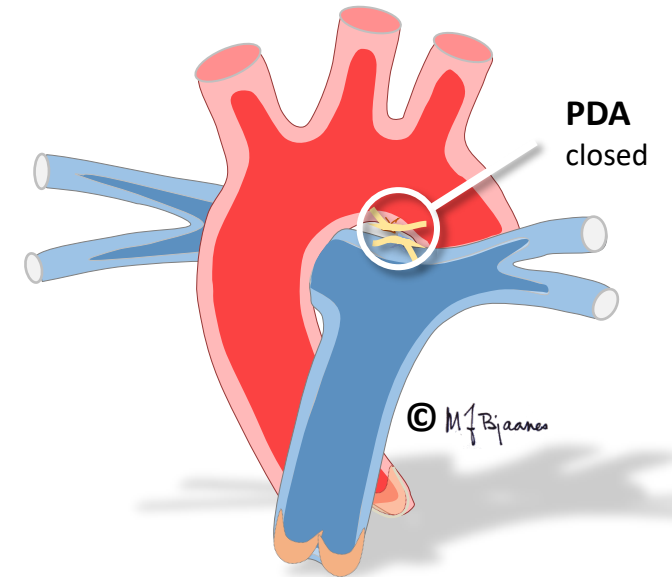
Standard access is posterolateral thoracotomy in the 4th left intercostal space



# Surgical PDA ligation



Silk ligatures can be placed carefully around the PDA



Ligatures are then tied and the PDA cut between them.