

MYOCARDIUM TISSUE

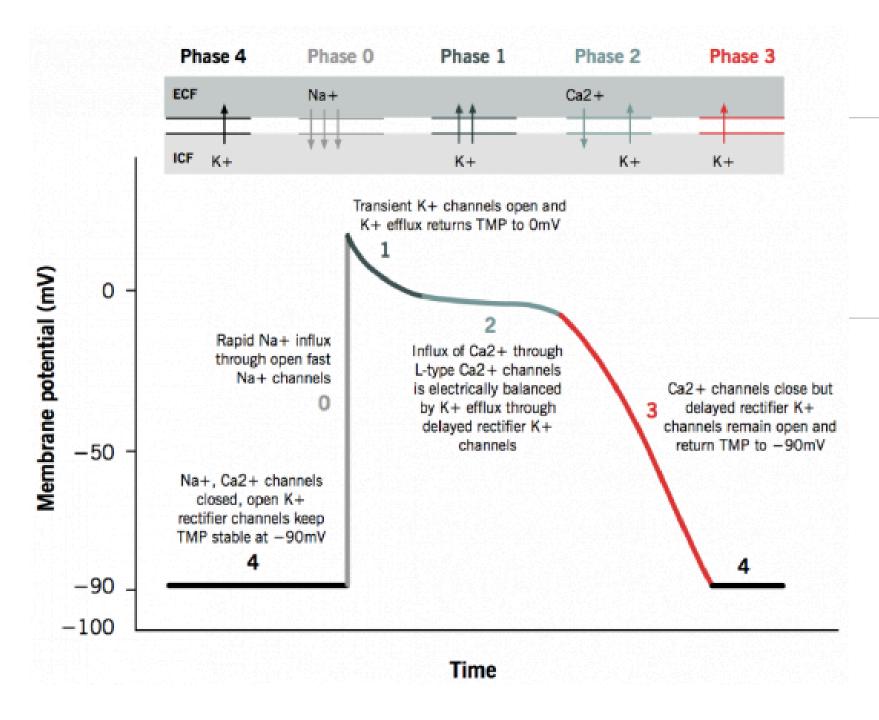
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Tissue function

- Pumps blood and transports oxygen and nutrients: it generates the force to move blood through the heart and throughout the body.
- Responds to hormonal and nervous stimuli: it responds to various hormonal and nerve signals that regulate heart function

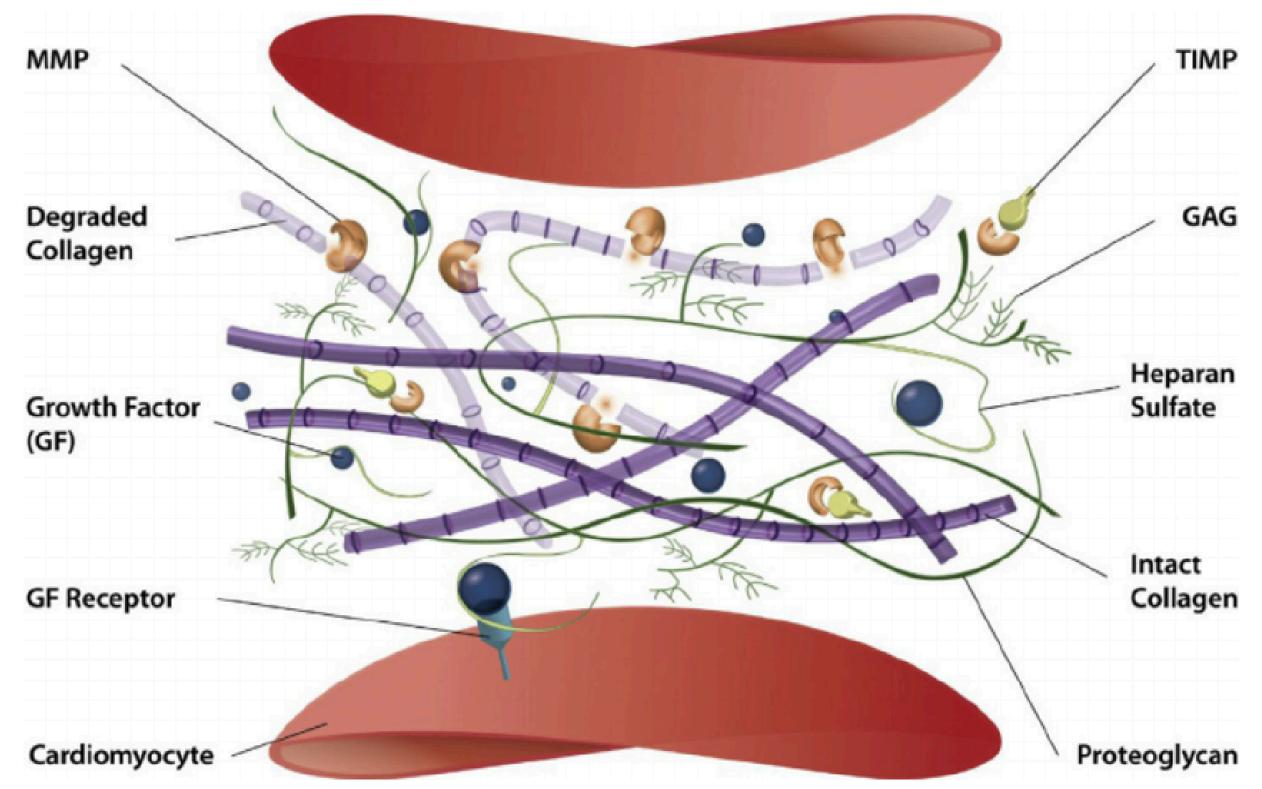
(tolright lung) upper body To body Left pulmonary artery Superior vena cava Pulmonary valve From left lung From right lung eft atrium. Aortic valve Right atrium Mitral valve Tricuspid valve Left ventricle Right ventricle Inferior vena cava Interventricular body

• **Regulates heart rhythm**: it generates and coordinates the electrical signals that control heart rhythm.



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ECM composition and structure

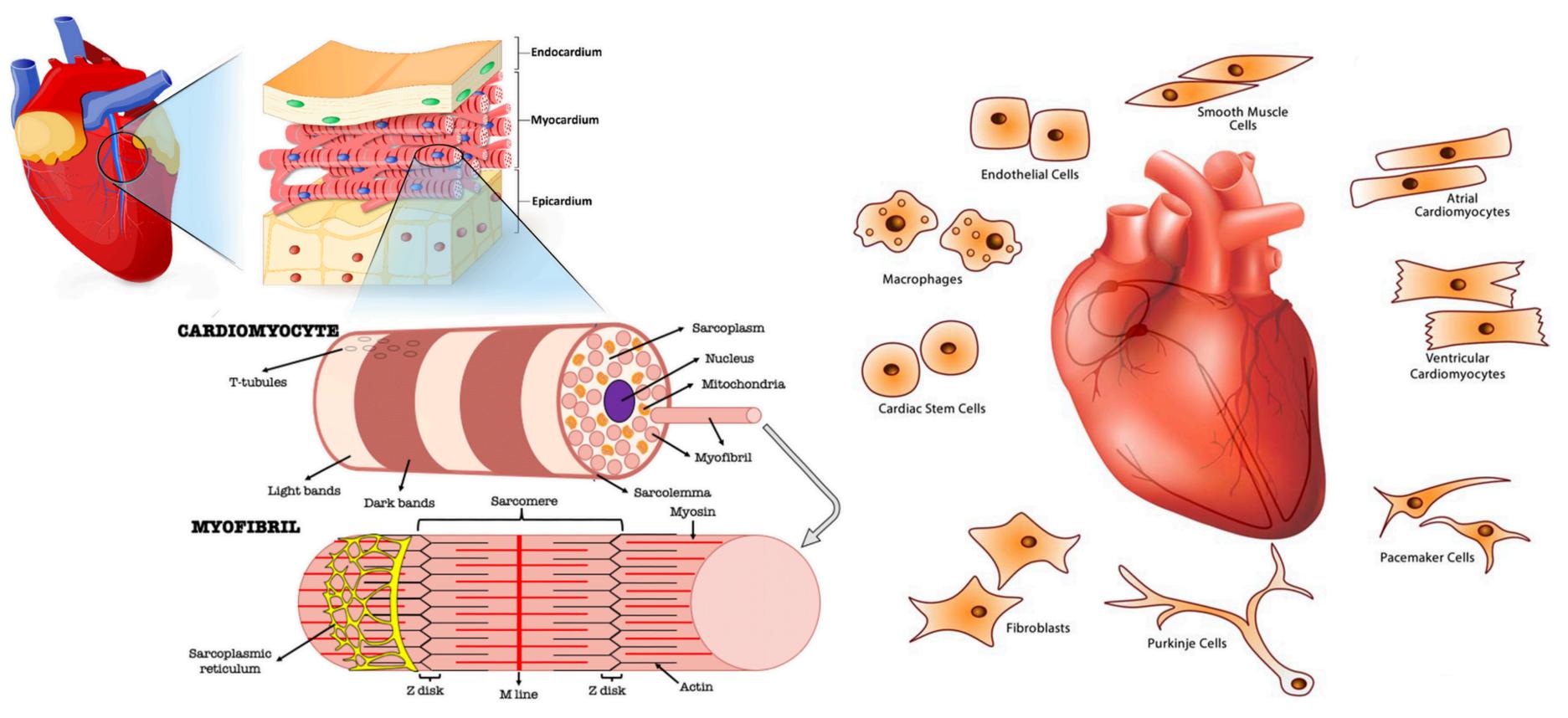


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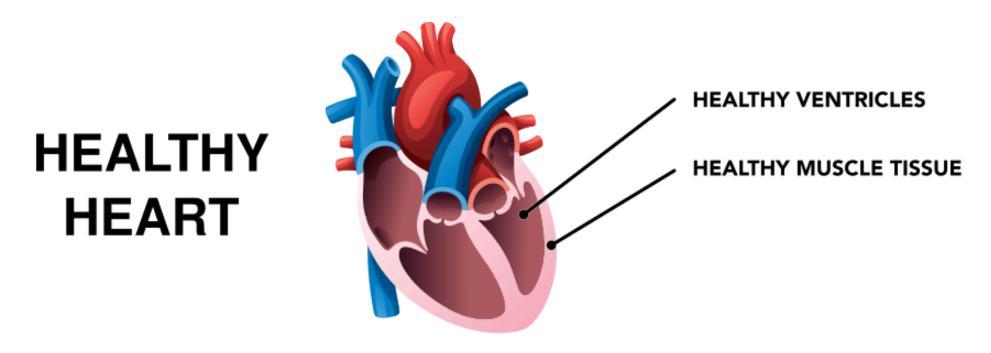
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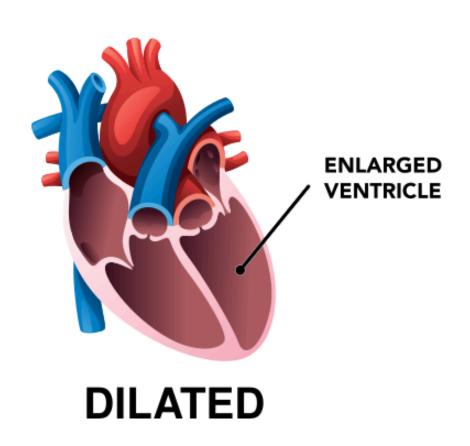
Cell involved

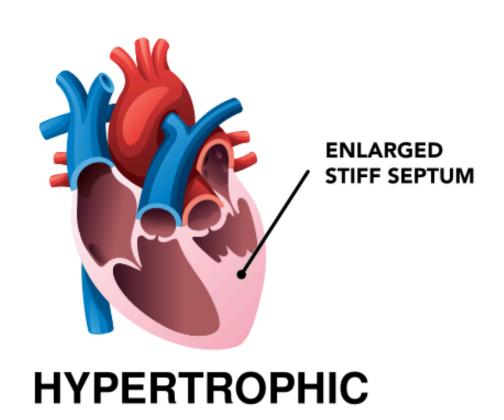


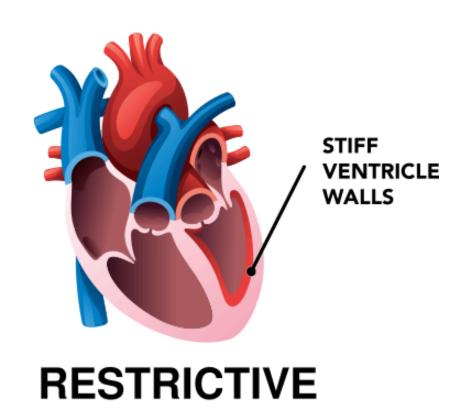
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Cardiomyopathy









FUTURE GOALS

- Support cells proliferation and adhesion
- Blood vessel formation
- Should not trigger immune cells to cause massive inflammation
- Flexibility with heart contraction
- Ensure synchronisation of electrical potential and heart rythm

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