

Cardiovascular System (CVS) Module

First Professional Year MBBS

5 Weeks

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Themes of CVS module

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| 1- Chest pain- (1 week) | 2- Breathlessness and ankle swelling- (2 weeks) | 3- Blood Pressure - (1 week) |
| 4- Palpitations (1 week) | | |

General Learning outcomes

At the end of this module, the students will be able to;

- 1) Describe the structure and surface markings of the heart, valves and great vessels
- 2) Describe the steps of development of the heart
- 3) Describe the steps of development of arterial, venous and lymphatic system
- 4) Describe the conduction system of the heart
- 5) Describe the anatomy of valves of the heart
- 6) Describe the microscopic structure of myocardium, and blood vessels
- 7) Describe the cardiac cycle
- 8) Discuss cardiac output, and venous return
- 9) Discuss blood pressure and its regulation
- 10) Discuss coronary circulation and diseases associated with it
- 11) Describe the mechanisms and types of circulatory shock and associated compensatory mechanisms
- 12) Describe the anatomy and common pericardial diseases
- 13) Describe the cardiac enzymes
- 14) Discuss the hyperlipidemias and the roles lipoproteins and cholesterol in the development of atherogenesis
- 15) Describe the mechanisms of impulse generation, conduction and excitation of myocardium
- 16) Discuss normal ECG and common ECG abnormalities

- 17) Enlist the drugs used in ischemic heart disease and hyperlipidemias
 18) Describe preventive strategies of cardiovascular diseases

Specific learning objectives (theme based)

| 1- Chest Pain | | | |
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| Subject | Topic | S. No | Learning objectives |
| Anatomy | Surface anatomy | 1 | Describe the surface marking of the heart |
| | | 2 | Describe the surface marking of the heart valves |
| | | 3 | Illustrate the surface marking of the aorta on models / x-rays |
| | | 4 | Describe the surface marking of the superior vena cava |
| | | 5 | Describe the surface marking of the inferior vena cava |
| | | 6 | Describe the gross structure of the heart |
| | Coronary circulation | 7 | Describe the coronary arteries |
| | | 8 | Enlist the branches of each main artery |
| | | 9 | Describe the anastomosis of coronaries |
| | | 10 | Identify the area of the heart supplied by a coronary artery and its branches |
| | | 11 | Describe the venous drainage of the heart |
| | | 12 | Describe the lymphatic drainage of the heart |

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| | Pericardium | 12 | Define pericardium |
| | | 14 | Describe different reflections of pericardium |
| | | 15 | Identify entry & exit of vessels of heart via pericardium |
| | | 16 | Define the following clinical condition; pericarditis pericardial effusion cardiac Tamponade |
| Histology | Histology of heart muscles | 17 | Explain the characteristics of cardiac muscle cell |
| | | 18 | Explain the Structure of Intercalated disc |
| | | 19 | Define the junctional specializations making up the intercalated disk |
| | | 20 | Describe identification of different microscopic views of Cardiac muscle and its ultra-structures |
| | | 21 | Differentiate histologically between cardiac and skeletal muscle and smooth muscles |
| | | 22 | Enumerate histological layers of heart wall |
| Physiology | Cardiac muscles | 23 | Explain the physiologic anatomy of the cardiac muscle |
| | | 24 | Describe the properties of the cardiac muscle |
| | Coronary circulation | 25 | Describe the physiologic basis coronary circulation |
| | | 26 | Describe the steps of coronary thrombosis |
| | | 27 | Describe the etiology of coronary thrombosis |
| Biochemistry | Cardiac enzymes | 28 | Identify the enzymes that increase in myocardial |

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| | | | infarction |
| | Lipids and cholesterol | 29 | Describe the Chemical Structure and function of cholesterol |
| | | 30 | Describe the fate of cholesterol in the body |
| | | 31 | Define and Classify lipids |
| | | 33 | Describe the functions of lipids in the body |
| | | 34 | Classify lipoproteins and their functions |
| | | 42 | Describe Cardiac enzymes and their pattern of elevation in ischemic heart diseases |
| | | 47 | Describe the role of Na, K, Ca and Mg in cardiac muscles contractility and their biochemical abnormalities |
| | | 48 | Describe the cardiac manifestations of vitamin B1 deficiency |
| Pharmacology | | 49 | Enlist the groups of drugs used in the treatment of CAD (angina and MI) |
| | | 50 | Enlist the groups of lipids lowering drugs |
| Pathology | | 51 | Describe the risk factors, and lab. Diagnosis of CAD |
| | | 52 | Define and Enlist the stages of atherosclerosis |
| Forensic medicine | | 53 | Describe the medicolegal aspects of sudden death due to cardiovascular diseases |
| Community Medicine | Prevention of CVD | 54 | Describe primordial, primary, secondary and tertiary prevention of CV diseases in community |
| 2- Breathlessness and ankle swelling | | | |
| Embryology | Fetal circulation | 55 | Describe the physiological changes in circulation |

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| | | | after birth |
| | Cardiac developmental anomalies | 56 | Enlist the developmental anomalies of heart |
| | | 57 | Describe the congenital anomalies of the heart. ASD VSD PDA Tetralogy of Fallot transposition of the great vessels Hemangiomas and Telangiectasia |
| Physiology | Cardiac cycle | 58 | Describe the Cardiac cycle |
| | | 59 | Describe the concept of systole and diastole, |
| | | 60 | Describe the role of atria and ventricles as pumps, |
| | | 61 | Describe the functions of heart valves, |
| | | 62 | Correlate the cardiac cycle events with ECG |
| | | 63 | Describe the mechanism of production of normal and abnormal heart sounds |
| | | 64 | Relate heart sounds with cardiac cycle, |
| | | 65 | Describe the metabolism and oxygen utilization of cardiac muscle |
| | | 66 | Describe the regulation of cardiac cycle |
| | Cardiac output | 67 | Describe pressure volume loop (end-systolic volume / end-diastolic volume / ejection fraction / |

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| | | | systolic volume / systolic work output) |
| | | 68 | Explain the Frank-Starling mechanism of the heart for the control of cardiac output by venous return |
| | | 69 | Describe the methods for measuring of cardiac output |
| | | 70 | Describe normal cardiac output and venous return during rest and during activity |
| | | 71 | Enlist the causes of abnormally high and abnormally low cardiac output |
| | | 72 | Explain the mechanisms of normal cardiac contractility and the role of calcium ion/ ATPase pumps |
| | | 73 | Explain cardiac output (regulation/measurement) and peripheral resistance and its regulation |
| | | 74 | Explain the factors regulating cardiac output and venous return. |
| | Blood flow | 75 | Describe the Biophysics and Interrelationships of Pressure, Flow, and Resistance in terms of Ohm's law and Poiseuille's Law |
| | | 76 | Describe Starling forces |
| | | 77 | Describe regulation of blood flow |
| | | 78 | Define basal tone. |
| | | 79 | List several substances potentially involved in local metabolic control of vascular tone. |
| | | 80 | State the local metabolic vasodilator hypothesis. |
| | | 81 | Describe physiological Vasodilators and |

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| | | | Vasoconstrictors and their mechanisms |
| | | 82 | Describe the factors affecting the local blood flow including auto-regulation. |
| | | 83 | Describe the function of capillaries |
| | | 84 | Describe circulatory changes during exercise |
| | | 85 | Describe blood flow to different organs like brain, heart, liver and skin during exercise |
| | Functions of heart valves | 86 | Describe the functions of mitral, tricuspid, aortic and pulmonic valves |
| | | 87 | Describe the hemodynamics and sequel related to stenosis and regurgitation of heart valves |
| | Lymphatic system | 88 | Describe the function of lymphatic system in the maintenance of interstitial fluid volume. |
| | | 89 | Describe the effects of Interstitial Fluid Pressure on Lymph Flow. |
| | | 90 | Describe how changes in capillary hydrostatic pressure, plasma oncotic pressure, capillary permeability, and lymphatic function can lead to tissue edema |
| Medicine | Heart failure | 91 | Define Heart failure |
| | | 92 | Differentiate between right-sided Heart failure and left-sided heart failure |
| 3- Blood Pressure | | | |
| Anatomy | | | |
| | Histology of | 93 | Describe the histological composition of vessel |

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| | blood vessels | | |
| | | 94 | Describe the microscopic structure of artery and vein |
| | | 95 | Differentiate histologically between artery and vein under light microscope |
| | | 96 | Describe the histological composition of lymphatic channels |
| Embryology | Development of arteries and veins | 97 | Describe the development of arterial system |
| | | 98 | Describe the development of venous system |
| | | 99 | Describe the congenital abnormalities in the vessels. - Coarctation of Aorta |
| Physiology | Blood Pressure | 100 | Define blood pressure |
| | | 101 | Describe the causes of High / low BP |
| | | 102 | Discuss the mechanisms for rapid and long term control of blood pressure (including Renin Angiotensin system) |
| | | 103 | Describe the effects of sympathetic and parasympathetic stimulation on the heart and circulation |
| | Circulatory Shock | 104 | Define Circulatory Shock |
| | | 105 | Explain the physiologic causes of circulatory shock |
| | | 106 | Explain the stages of circulatory shock |
| | | 107 | Describe cardiogenic shock |

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| | | 108 | Describe Hemorrhagic Shock |
| | | 109 | Describe of Neurogenic Shock |
| | | 110 | Describe Anaphylactic Shock |
| | | 111 | Describe Septic Shock |
| | | 112 | Explain the physiology of treatment in Shock |
| Pharmacology | | 113 | Describe the mechanisms of drugs used in the treatment of Hypertension |
| Community medicine | | 114 | Describe the preventive strategies of hypertension |

4- Palpitations

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| Anatomy | Conduction system of the heart | 115 | Describe the different components of conduction system SA Node AV Node Bundle of His Purkenje Fibers Bundle branches |
| | | 116 | Describe the sympathetic innervation of heart |
| | | 117 | Describe the parasympathetic innervation of the heart |
| Physiology | Excitation and contraction of cardiac muscles | 118 | Describe the excitation–contraction process in cardiac muscle. Describe Chronotropic, Inotropic and Dromotropic Effects |
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| | | 120 | Differentiate excitation–contraction process in |

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| | | | cardiac and skeletal muscle cells |
| | | 121 | Describe gap junctions and the significance of functional syncytium |
| | | 122 | Explain phases of cardiac muscle action potential |
| | | 123 | Describe the characteristics of cardiac action potentials and the role of “slow calcium” channels in causing plateau and its significance |
| | | 124 | Describe the significance of AV nodal Delay |
| | | 125 | Define Pacemaker and explain why SA node is the normal pacemaker of the heart |
| | | 126 | Define Ectopic Pacemaker and describe its causes |
| | | 127 | Describe the effects of sympathetic and parasympathetic stimulation on the heart rate and conduction of cardiac action potentials |
| | | 128 | Define various types of refractory periods |
| | | 129 | Differentiate the refractory period of cardiac muscle with that of skeletal muscle |
| | | 130 | Describe the significance of prolonged action potential in cardiac muscle |
| | | 131 | Describe the physiological anatomy of the sinus node |
| | | 132 | Define automaticity and rhythmicity and conductivity |
| | | 133 | Describe the specialized excitatory and conductive pathway of the cardiac muscle tissue |
| | ECG | 134 | Describe the characteristics of normal ECG, time duration of waves, segments and voltages |
| | | 135 | Explain how to record ECG |

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| | | 136 | Describe the AV nodal, ventricular impulse conduction |
| | | 137 | Interpret ECG paper and its calibration |
| Community Medicine | CVD prevention | 138 | Identify the major risk factors which contribute to common diseases of the cardiovascular system |
| | | 139 | Enumerate modifiable and non-modifiable risk factors of CV diseases |
| | | 140 | Apply primordial, primary, secondary and tertiary prevention of CV diseases in community |

| Psychomotor domain | | |
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| Chest Pain | Anatomy | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1- Identify the heart & its coverings in the model / dissected specimen 2- Identify the heart and major blood vessels in cadaver/dissected specimen 3- Identify the chambers of the heart. 4- Identify the internal structures of various chambers of the heart. 5- Identify the Cardiac Muscle under the microscope |
| | Physiology | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6- Perform basic life support. |
| Blood Pressure | | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7- Identify salient features of a medium sized artery & vein in a cross-section under microscope. 8- Identify the histological differences between medium size artery & vein under microscope. 9- Describe the histological differences between large size artery & vein. |
| Breathlessness and ankle swelling | Clinical | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10- Identify normal cardiac shadow, borders and cardiomegaly on chest radiographs. 11- Identify the position of borders and valves of the heart by surface marking on model / simulator 12- Palpate and find apex beat, and auscultatory areas in the chest of the subject provided and describe their significance. |

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| | | <p>13- Demonstrate the use of Stethoscope for Auscultation.</p> <p>14- Differentiate between normal and displaced apex beat</p> |
| | Physiology | <p>15- Measure the blood pressure.</p> <p>16- Measure the effect of posture and exercise on blood pressure.</p> <p>17- Examine the arterial pulses.</p> <p>18- Auscultate the heart sounds.</p> |
| Palpitations | | 19- Perform systematic analysis of ECG |
| Affective domain | | |
| PRIME | | <p>20- Demonstrate ability to give and receive feedback, respect for self and peers.</p> <p>21- Carry out practical work as instructed in an organized and safe manner</p> <p>22- Demonstrate empathy and care to patients.</p> <p>23- Develop respect for the individuality and values of others - (including having respect for oneself) patients, colleagues and other health professionals</p> <p>24- Organize& distribute tasks</p> <p>25- Exchange opinion & knowledge</p> <p>26- Develop communication skills and etiquette with sense of responsibility.</p> <p>27- To equip themselves for teamwork</p> <p>28- Regularly attend the classes</p> <p>29- Role play for the counseling of patients with risk factors for coronary heart diseases on modification of life style</p> <p>30- Role play for the counseling of patients with risk factors for coronary heart diseases on modification of life style</p> |