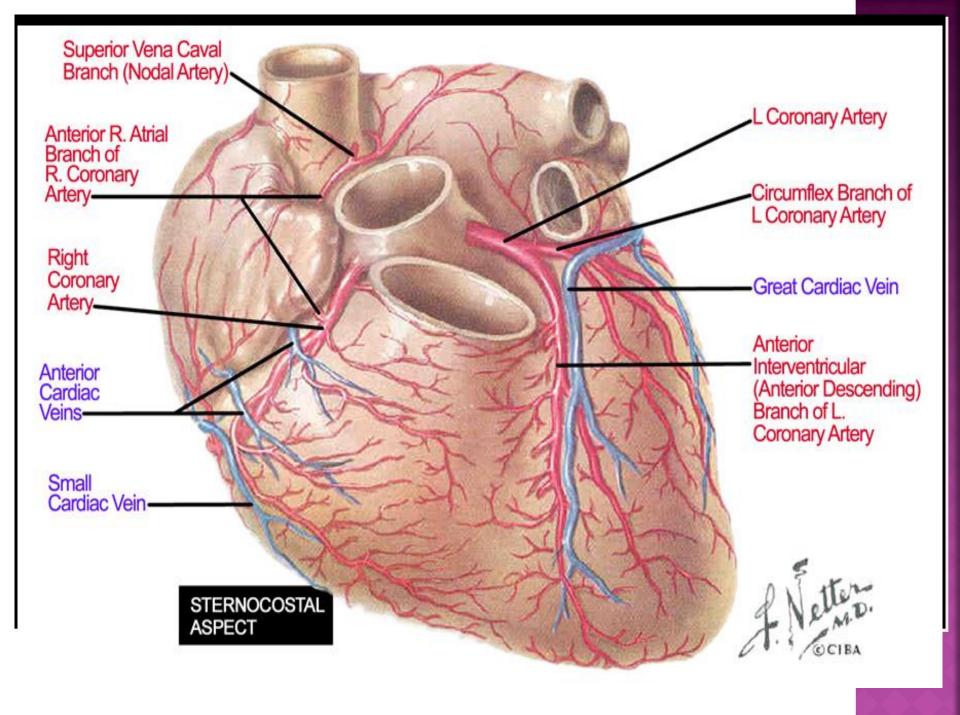
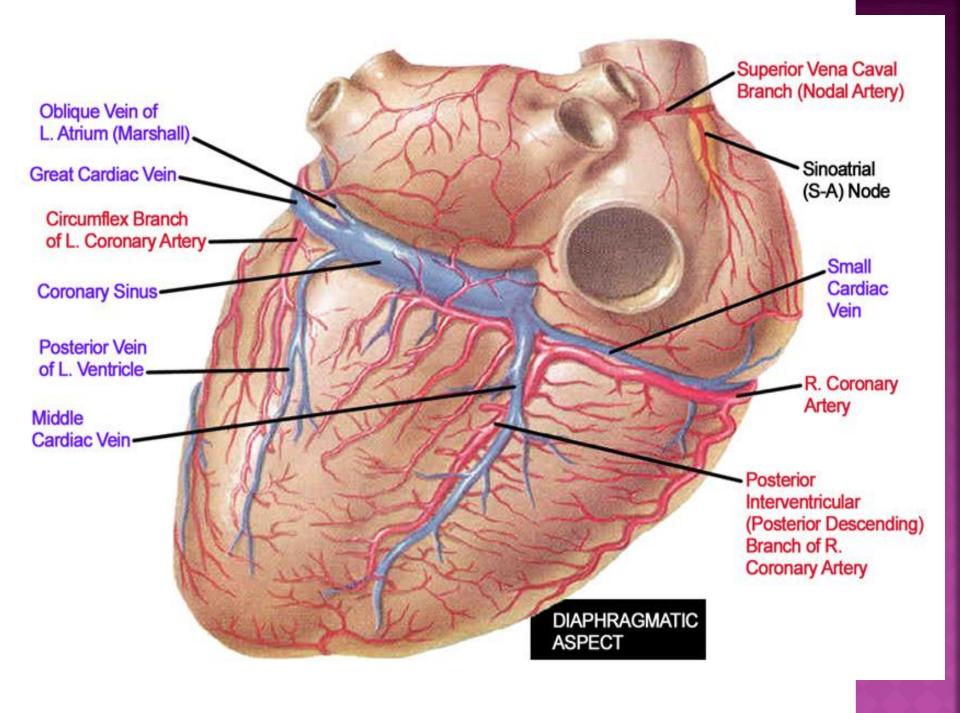
# ANATOMY OF CORONARY ARTERIES AND GRAFTS

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NUMBER	MAP LOCATION			
Right Coronary Artery (RCA)				
1	Proximal RCA			
2	Mid RCA			
3	Distal RCA	NUMBER	MAP LOCATION	
4	Right posterior descending branch	Left Main Coronary Artery		
5	Right posterior atrioventricular	11	Left main coronary artery	
6	First right posterolateral	Left Anterior Descending (LAD)		
7	Second right posterolateral	12	Proximal LAD	
8	Third right posterolateral	13	Mid LAD	NUMBER
9	Posterior descending septals	14	Distal LAD	NUMBER Left Circumflex
10	Acute marginal segment	15	First diagonal	Artery (LCx)
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		17	Second diagonal	19
		3.6	LAD septal perforators	22
		29	Third diagonal	20
		27	Left posterior descending branch	21
		28	Ramus intermedius branch	22
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#### LEFT CORONARY ARTERY

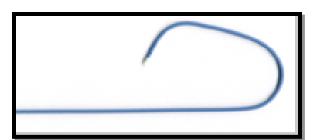
## Left Main Coronary Artery

#### Origin

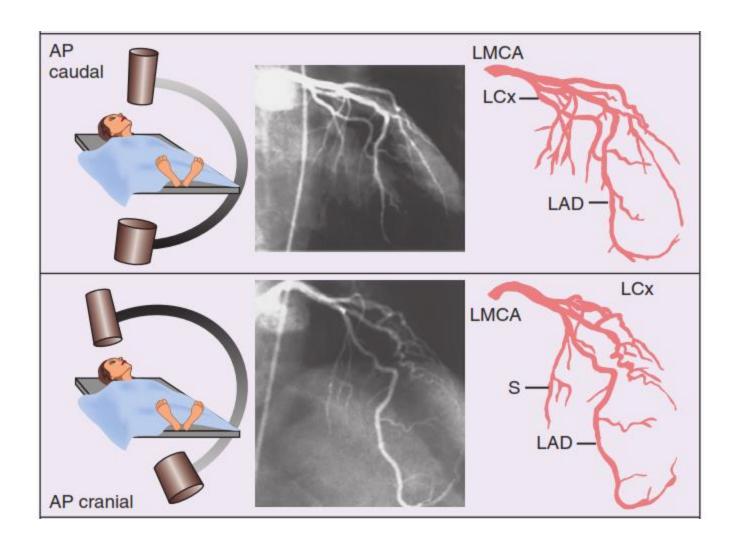
upper portion of left aortic sinus. Typically 0-10 min length. Rarely no LM (separate origins).

#### Catheterization Technique

"The Judkins' 4-Left coronary catheter will find the LCA orifice unless thwarted by the operator".



#### **Optimal Views**



#### LEFT ANTERIOR DESCENDING ARTERY

#### Course

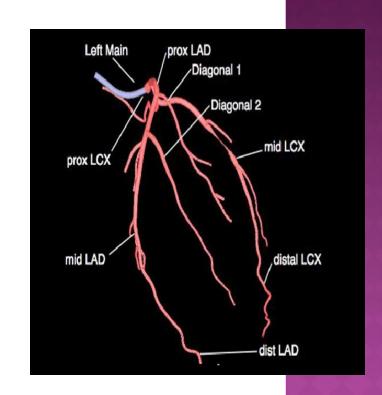
down the anterior interventricular groove-usually reaches apex.

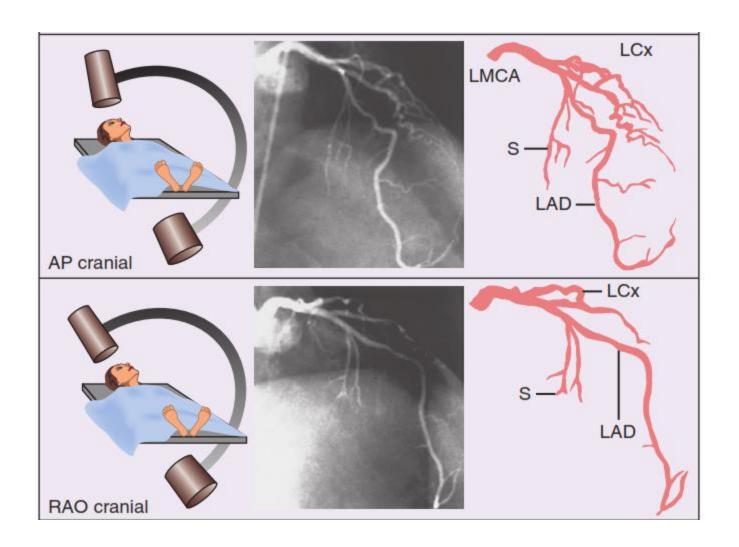
#### Branches

septals and diagonals-supply lateral wall of LV, anterolateral papillary muscle; 37% have median ramus (courses like 1st diagonal).

#### Supplies

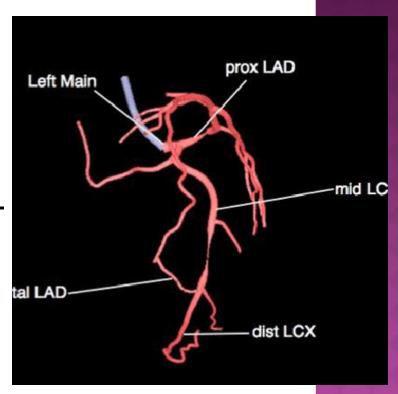
anterolateral, apex and septum; ~45%-55% of left ventricle.

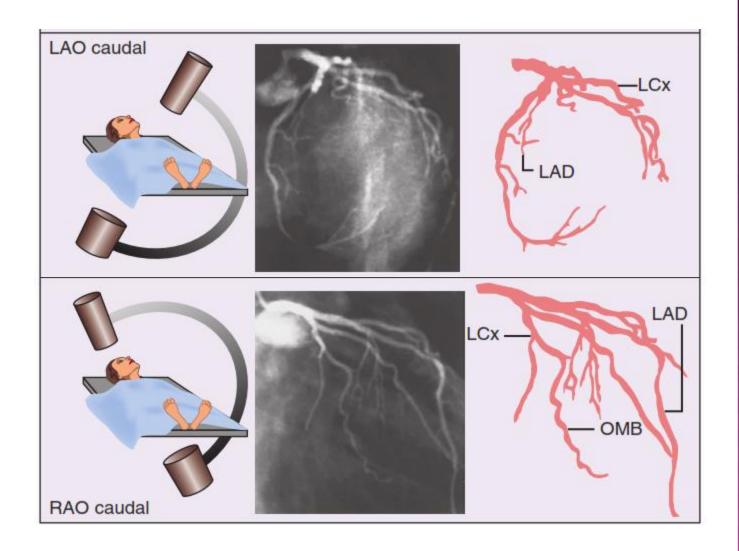




## LEFT CIRCUMFLEX ARTERY

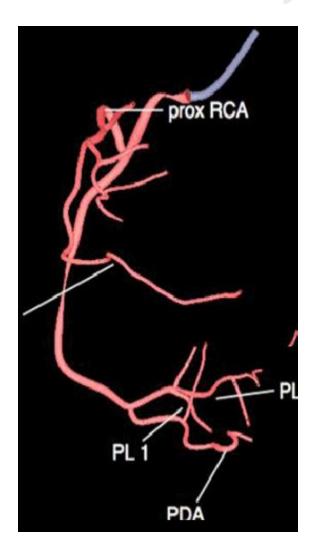
- Origin from distal LMCA.
- Course down distal left AV groove.
- Branches
   obtuse marginals, posterolaterals supply posterolateral LV,
   anterolateral papillary muscle.
   (SA node artery-38%).
- Supplies
   15%-25% of LV, unless dominant (supplies 40-50% of LV).





## RIGHT CORONARY ARTERY

## **Basic Anatomy**



Origin
 Right aortic sinus (lower origin than LCA)

Course Down right AV groove toward crux of the heart, gives off PDA (85%) from which septals arise, continues in LAV groove giving off posterior LV branches (posterior LV branches (posterolaterals). PDA may originate more proximally, bifurcate early or be small with part of "its territory" supplied by an acute marginal branch.

Supplies 25% to 35% of Left Ventricle

#### RIGHT CORONARY ARTERY

#### **Other Branches**

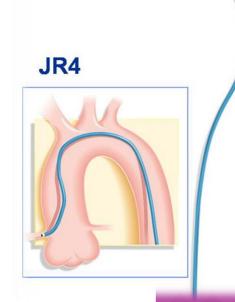
- Conus Artery
- SA Nodal Artery
- Right Ventricular (Acute Marginal) Branches
- AV Nodal Artery
- PDA

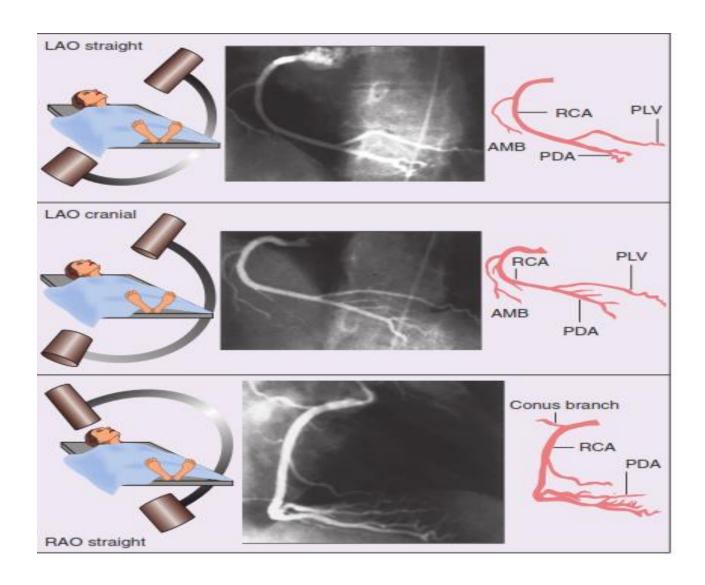
## RIGHT CORONARY ARTERY

## Catheterization Tools and Techniques

 Judkins' 4-right; clockwise rotation-works 90% of the time.

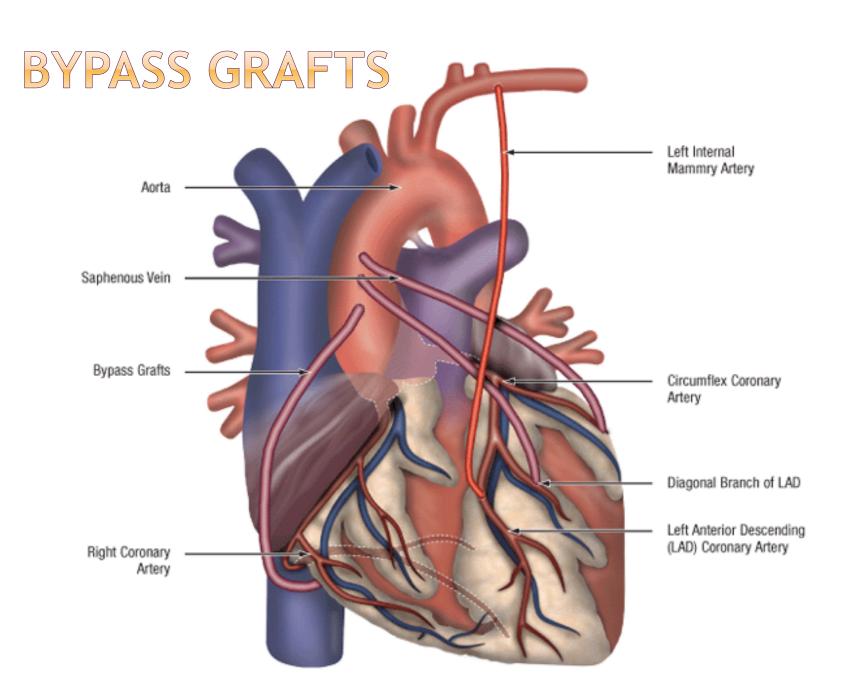
Other tools—Amplatz, Noto, Williams





## DOMINANCE:

The coronary artery which reaches the crux of the heart and then gives off the PDA



## BYPASS GRAFTS

#### Views

in all cases multiple views to see ostia, shaft, and distal anastomosis.

## BYPASS GRAFTS

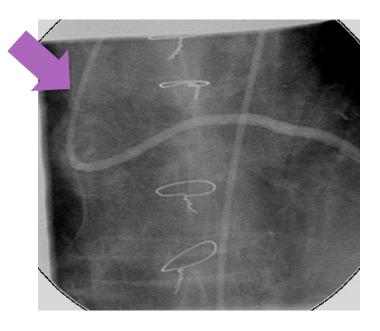
#### SVG

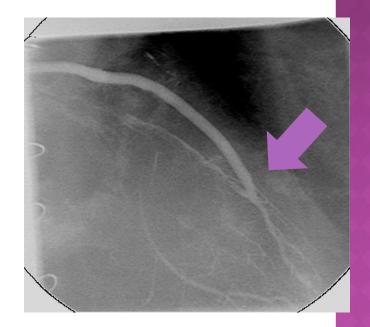
- Left coronary grafts generally arise from left side of the aorta. Best cannulated with Judkins' Right, IMA, LCB or MP.
- Right sided grafts-arise from right side of the aorta-MP usually is the best.

#### SAPHENOUS VEIN GRAFTS.

**SVGs from the aorta to the distal RCA** or PDA originate from the right anterolateral aspect of the aorta approximately 5 cm superior to the sinotubular ridge.

SVGs to the LAD artery (or diagonal branches) originate from the anterior portion of the aorta about 7 cm superior to the sinotubular ridge. SVGs to the obtuse marginal branches.

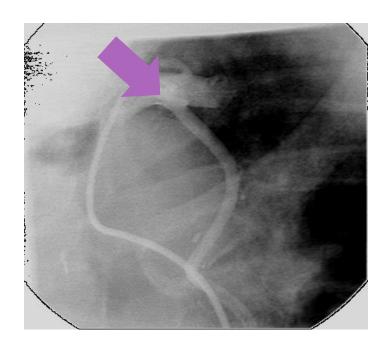


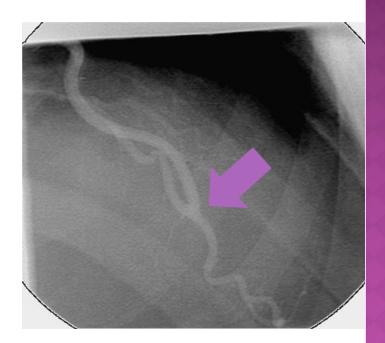


#### INTERNAL MAMMARY ARTERY.

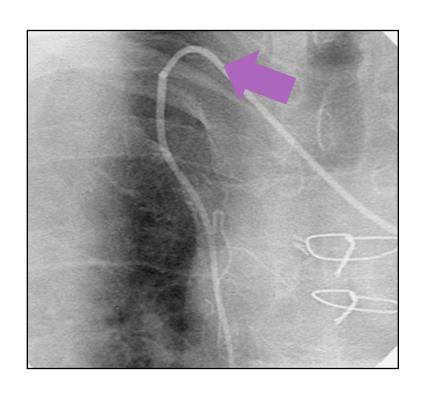
Search for the subclavians.

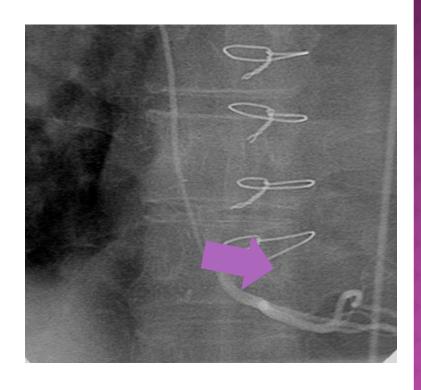
The left IMA arises inferiorly from the left subclavian artery approximately 10 cm from its origin





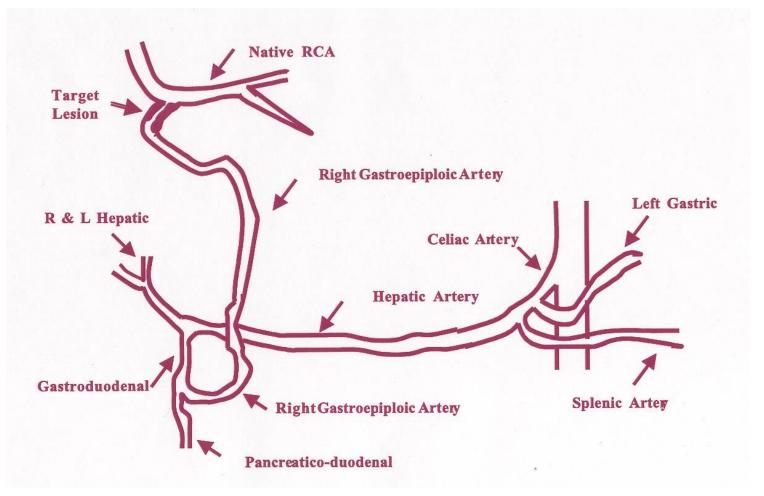
## **RIMA** to RCA





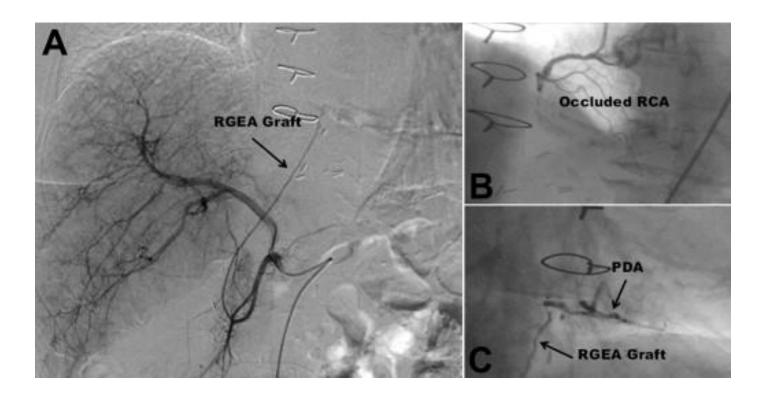
#### GASTROEPIPLOIC ARTERY.

The right gastroepiploic artery (GEA) is the largest terminal artery of the gastroduodenal artery which arises from the common hepatic artery in 75% of cases



#### Gastroepiploic

visceral catheters (Cobra) enter celiac axis and then common hepatic artery and turn down into gastroduodenal.



## OPTIMAL ANGIOGRAPHIC PROJECTION

May be variable depending on body habitus, variation in the coronary anatomy, and location of the lesion.

It is recommended that the coronary Arteries Be Visualized In both The LAO And RAO Projections with Both Cranial and Caudal angulation.

