

# CARDIOVASCULAR TERMINOLOGY

cardi/o- heart

endocarditis  
bradycardia  
cardiomegaly  
cardiomyopathy  
myocarditis  
pericarditis  
tachycardia  
cardiopulmonary resuscitation = CPR  
cardiologist  
cardiology  
cardiomalacia  
cardiocentesis  
echocardiogram  
cardiac arrest  
cardiac tamponade  
acute myocardial infarction = AMI  
electrocardiogram  
cardiogenic shock  
cardioplasty  
cardiorrhaphy  
cardiorrhexis  
cardioversion

cor/o- coron/o- heart

CAD=coronary artery disease  
CHD=coronary heart disease/congenital heart disease  
coronary ischemia  
coronary thrombosis  
coronary occlusion  
CABG=coronary artery bypass graft

angi/o- blood or lymph vessel

angiocarditis  
angioma  
angiospasm  
angiostenosis  
angioplasty  
angiorrhaphy  
angiogram

angiotomy  
angioneclerosis  
angiopoiesis  
angiocardiopathy  
angiosclerosis  
PTCA=percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty

vaso- vessel

vasodilate  
vasoconstrict  
vasospasm

atri/o- atrium (corridor)

atrioventricular  
atrioseptopexy  
atriotomy  
atrial fibrillation

ventricul/o- ventricle (little belly)

ventriculotomy  
ventriculitis  
ventricular septal defect

valv/o- valvul/o- valve (leaf)

valvuloplasty  
valvectomy/valvulectomy  
valvulotomy/valvotomy  
valvulitis

arteri/o- arteriol/o- artery

arteriosclerosis = ASHD  
arteriogram  
arteriostenosis  
arterioplasty  
arteriorrhaphy  
arteriotomy  
ABG=arterial blood gases

sphygm/o- pulse

sphygmomanometer

sphygmocardiograph  
sphygmogram

ather/o- fatty plaque

atherosclerosis  
atheroma

angin- choking pain

angina pectoris  
anginophobia

aort/o- aorta

aortic stenosis  
aortogram  
aortitis  
aortectasis  
aortectomy  
aortoptosis  
aortorrhaphy  
aortosclerosis  
aortic regurgitation

aneurysm a widening

aneurysmectomy  
aneurysmoplasty  
aneurysmorrhaphy  
aneurysmotomy

phleb/o- vein

phlebectomy  
phlebotomy  
phlebitis  
phleboplasty  
phlebotomist  
phlebothrombosis  
phleborrhagia  
phleborrhaphy  
phleborrhexis

ven/o- vein

vena cava  
venipuncture  
varicose veins  
venography  
venogram  
venotomy  
venosclerosis

hem/o- hem/a- hemat/o- blood

hematoma  
hemophilia  
hemoglobin  
hematologist  
hematology  
hematopoiesis/hemopoiesis  
hematocytopenia  
hemangioma  
hemoglobinometer

-emia blood

anemia  
leukemia  
aplastic anemia  
sickle cell anemia  
pernicious anemia  
septicemia  
polycythemia

sangui/o- blood

sanguinous/sanguineous

plasm/a- plasm/o- plasma (form, mold)

plasmatherapy  
plasmology

thromb/o- clot

thrombocyte  
thrombectomy  
thrombus/thrombi  
thrombin  
thrombocytopenia

lymph/o- lymph (like blood; no RBC and less protein)

lymphoma (Hodgkins/leukemia)

lymphangiectomy

lymphangiectomy

lymphadenopathy

lymphedema

lymphocyte

#### RELATED TERMS:

mediastinum

atrium

ventricle

septum

tricuspid

bicuspid

semilunar

aorta

vena cava

chordae tendineae

papillary muscles

pericardium

epicardium

myocardium

endocardium

conduction

SA Node

AV Node

Bundle of His

Purkinje Fibers

arrhythmia

dysrhythmia

fibrillation

defibrillation

PVC = premature ventricular contraction

vessels

arteries-arterioles-capillaries-venules-veins

sinus

lumen

occlude

Blood pressure

hypertension/hypotension  
diastole/systole  
pulse pressure  
auscultation  
percussion  
palpation

stress test  
Doppler flow studies  
Holter monitor

#### Blood TERMS:

plasma/serum  
formed elements  
erythrocytes  
leukocytes  
granulocytes  
neutrophils  
eosinophils  
basophils  
agranulocytes  
lymphocytes  
monocytes  
platelets/thrombocytes

CBC=complete blood count  
coagulation time  
protime  
anticoagulant  
embolus  
embolectomy  
antiembolism stockings = TEDS  
Raynaud's Disease  
Esophageal Varices  
CVA = cerebral vascular accident  
Rheumatic Heart Disease  
Cor Pulmonale  
Tetralogy of Fallot  
CHF = congestive heart failure

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