

Right coronary artery

Runs in the coronary sulcus

Sinu-atrial (SA) nodal a.

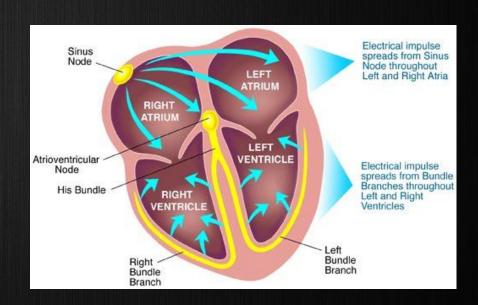
Supplies SA node 🔾

Right marginal a.

Supplies right ventricle Does not reach apex

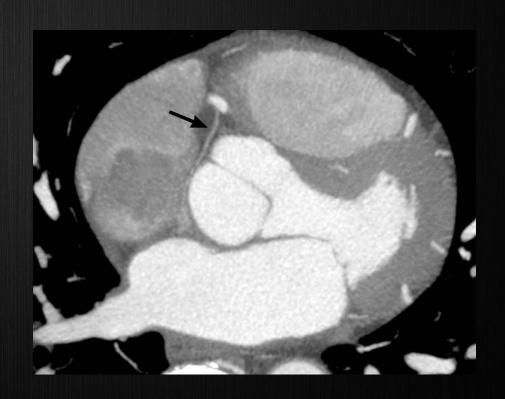
Sinoatrial node

Small body of specialized muscle tissue in the wall of the right atrium of the heart that acts as a pacemaker by producing a contractile signal at regular intervals.



Sinoatrial node artery

- Second branch off the RCA is often the sinoatrial (SA) nodal artery.
- 55% of cases, the SA nodal artery arises from the RCA
- 45%, it arises from the circumflex



SA nodal artery

- SA nodal artery heads posteriorly toward the sinoatrial node.
- Sinoatrial node is located in the superior aspect of crista terminalis of the right atrium (near where the superior vena cava joins the right atrium).
- The crista terminalis is a vestigial remnant located between the right atrial appendage and the sinus venosus.
- The crista terminalis can be seen as a right atrial "pseudomass" on CT, MRI, or echocardiography

Conus and sinoatrial node arteries

Conus artery (arrow) heading anteriorly a

Sinoatrial node artery (arrowhead) heading posteriorly.

