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CARDIOMIOPATHY
The heart is composed of muscle, connective tissue, and blood vessels. The heart muscle is called the myocardium. The heart is divided into four chambers: the right atrium, the right ventricle, the left atrium, and the left ventricle. The right atrium and right ventricle are connected by the tricuspid valve. The left atrium and left ventricle are connected by the mitral valve. The heart pumps blood out to the rest of the body through the aorta. The heart is surrounded by a protective layer called the pericardium.