

# Structure and FUNction!


## Organ Dissection for Next Generation Teachers

# The Per•fect Contest! \per-fikt\ adj.

## To enter:

1. Take a pic of yourself wearing your **Perfect shirt**.
2. Post and tag Carolina on social media by the end of the conference.
3. Winners will be chosen after the show via social.

## Bonus points for creativity!

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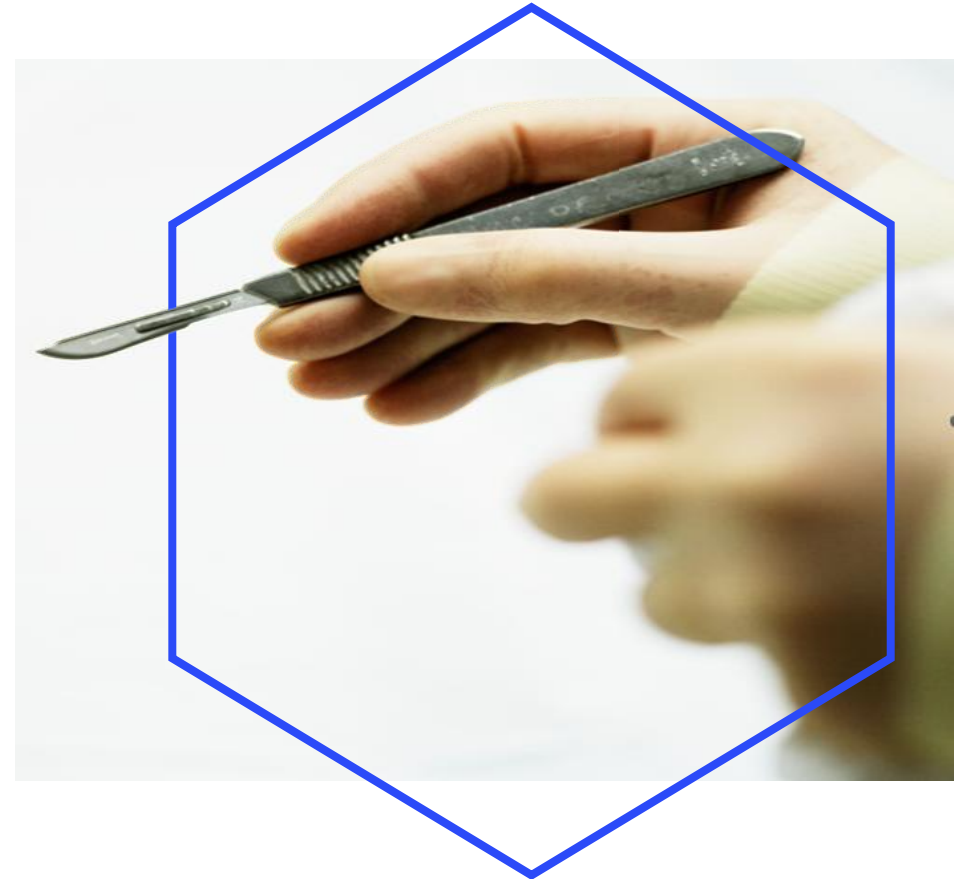
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# Objectives

- Introduce the general structure, physiology, and interdependence of major mammalian organs.
- Dissect the **bull testicle**, **sheep heart**, and **cow eye**.
- Experience the quality of Carolina's Perfect Solution<sup>®</sup> specimens.



# Building Toward 3-Dimensional Learning



Science and Engineering Practices	Disciplinary Core Ideas	Crosscutting Concepts
<p><b>Developing and using models</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Develop and use a model based on evidence to illustrate the relationships between systems or between components of a system.</li></ul>	<p><b>LS1.A: Structure and Function</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Multicellular organisms have a hierarchical structural organization, in which any one system is made up of numerous parts and is itself a component of the next level.</li></ul>	<p><b>Structure and function</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ The functions and properties of natural and designed objects and systems can be inferred from their components are shaped and used, and the molecular substructures of its various materials.</li></ul> <p><a href="#"><u>Explore Next Generation Dissections</u></a></p>

1. NGSS Lead States, Next Generation Science Standards: For States, By States (Washington, DC: The National Academies Press, 2013), retrieved from [www.nextgenscience.org](http://www.nextgenscience.org) or [ngss.nsta.org](http://ngss.nsta.org)

# Carolina's Perfect Solution<sup>®</sup> Specimens

## Quality

Superior  
preservation

Superior  
tissue color  
and texture

## Safety

No  
dangerous  
off-gassing

No formalin  
odor

# Dissection Preparation Tips

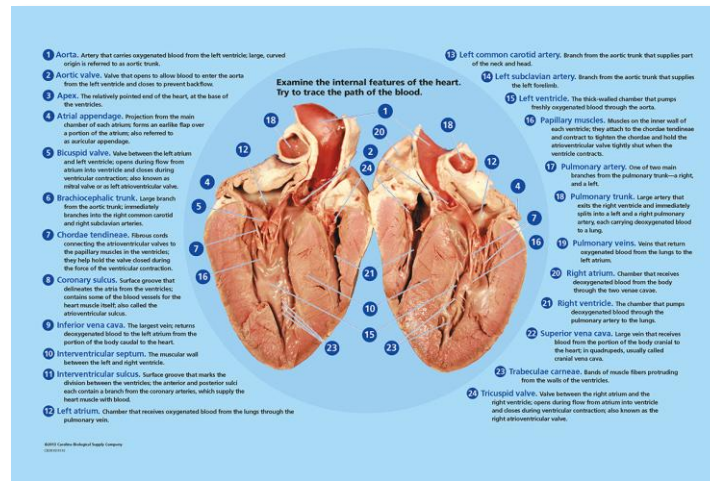
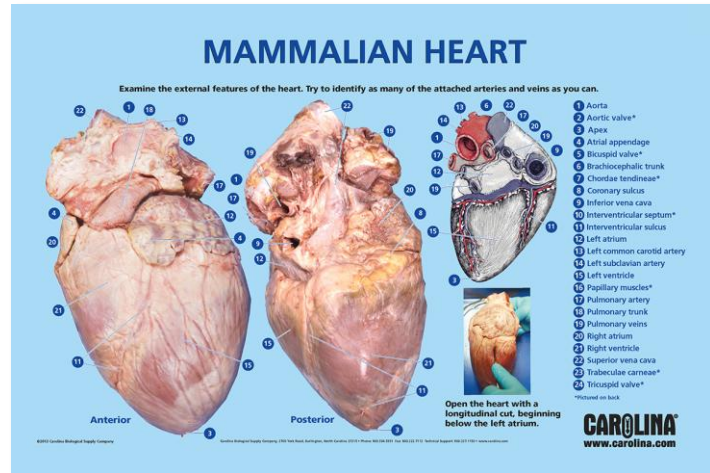
- **Organize your dissection area:**

- Take out your dissection tray
- Put blue absorbent pad under the dissection tray
- Lay out your instruments
  - Scissors
  - Scalpel

- **Use appropriate personal protective equipment:**  
Apron, gloves, safety goggles



# Carolina<sup>®</sup> Dissection Mats



- Clear, concise dissection instructions
- Detailed, color photographs
- Labeled internal and external structures with definitions
- Cost-effective
- Reusable—wipe clean

**PLEASE DO NOT TAKE THESE MATS!**

We need these for future workshops.

# Safety Issues

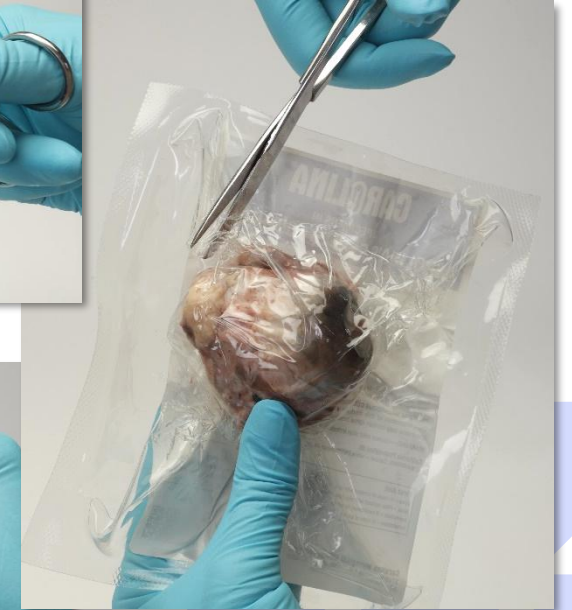
- **Personal protective equipment**  
Apron, gloves, safety goggles
- **Dissection tools**  
Be diligent with sharp tools



**Safety Tip**  
If you are not  
using an  
instrument,  
set it down!

# Teacher Tip

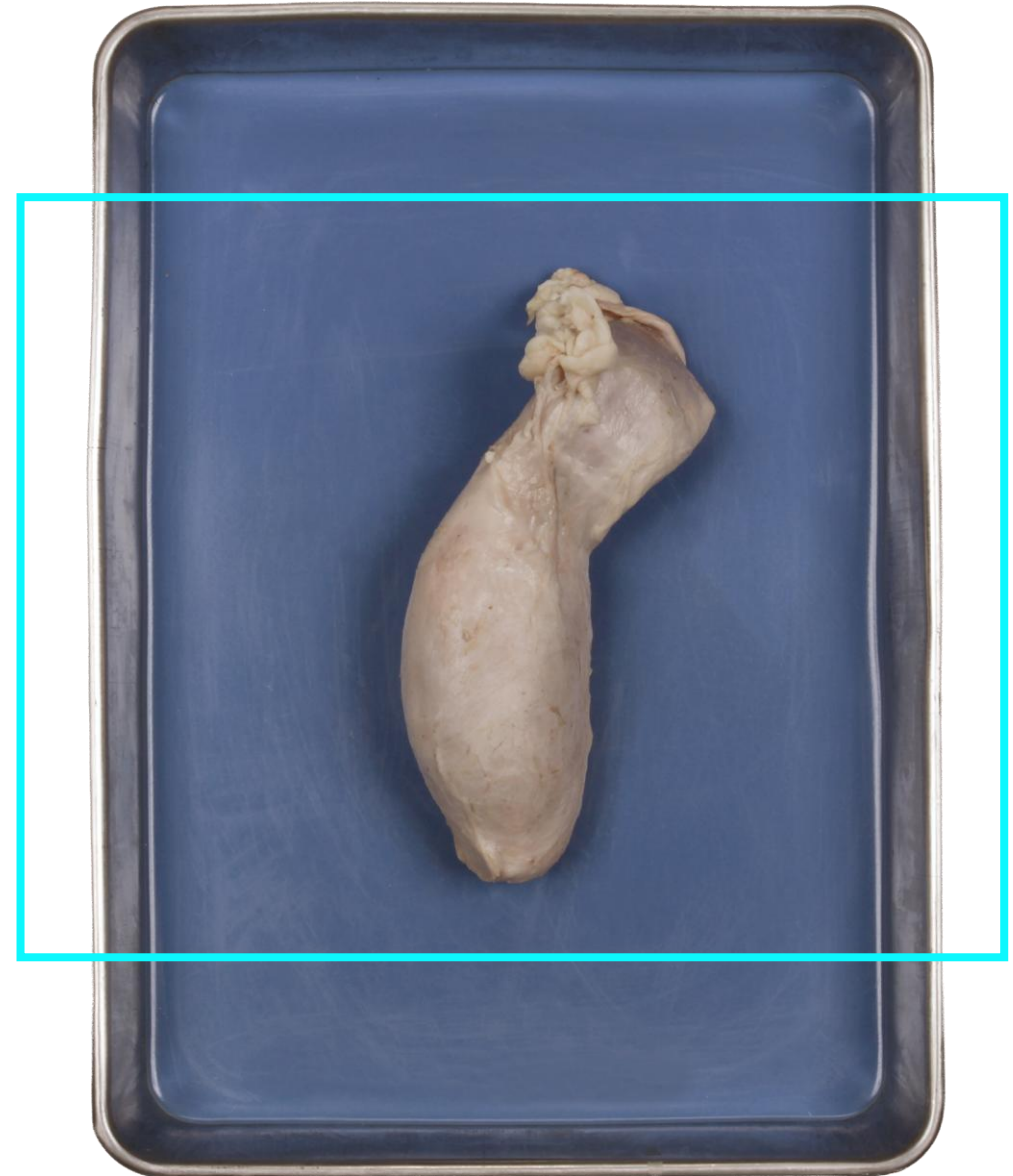
1. At the anterior of the specimen, locate an area where there is excess plastic.
2. Force any fluid out of the area to prevent spills.
3. Cut a small hole in the excess plastic. This will allow the fluid to drain to the bottom of the bag.
4. Continue to cut around the anterior of the specimen until you can easily remove the specimen from the bag.
5. Keep bag upright until we come over to collect the fluid and bag.



# Workshop “Organ”ization

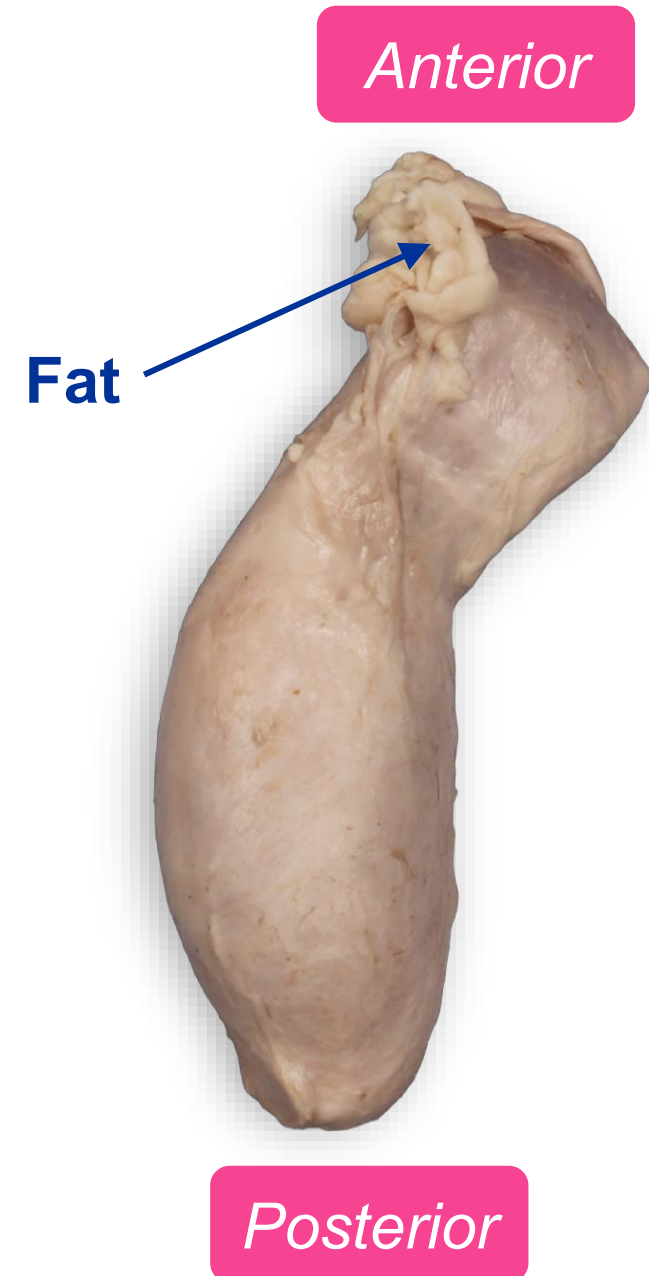
## Procedure:

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2. Dissect the sheep heart.
3. Time permitting, dissect the cow eye.



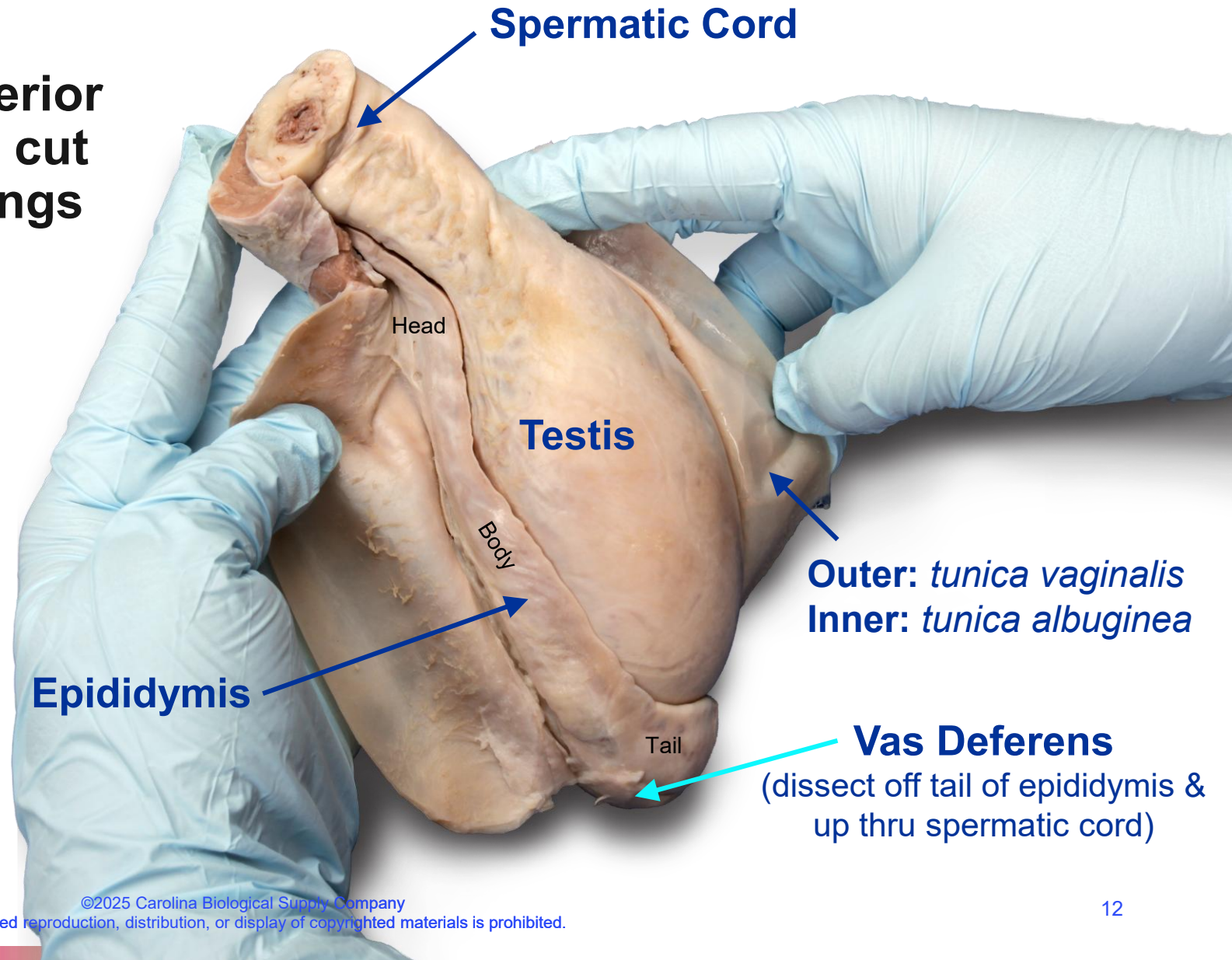
# Bull Testicle: External Anatomy

1. Peel away fat, if necessary.
2. Locate the anterior (cord) and posterior ends of the specimen.



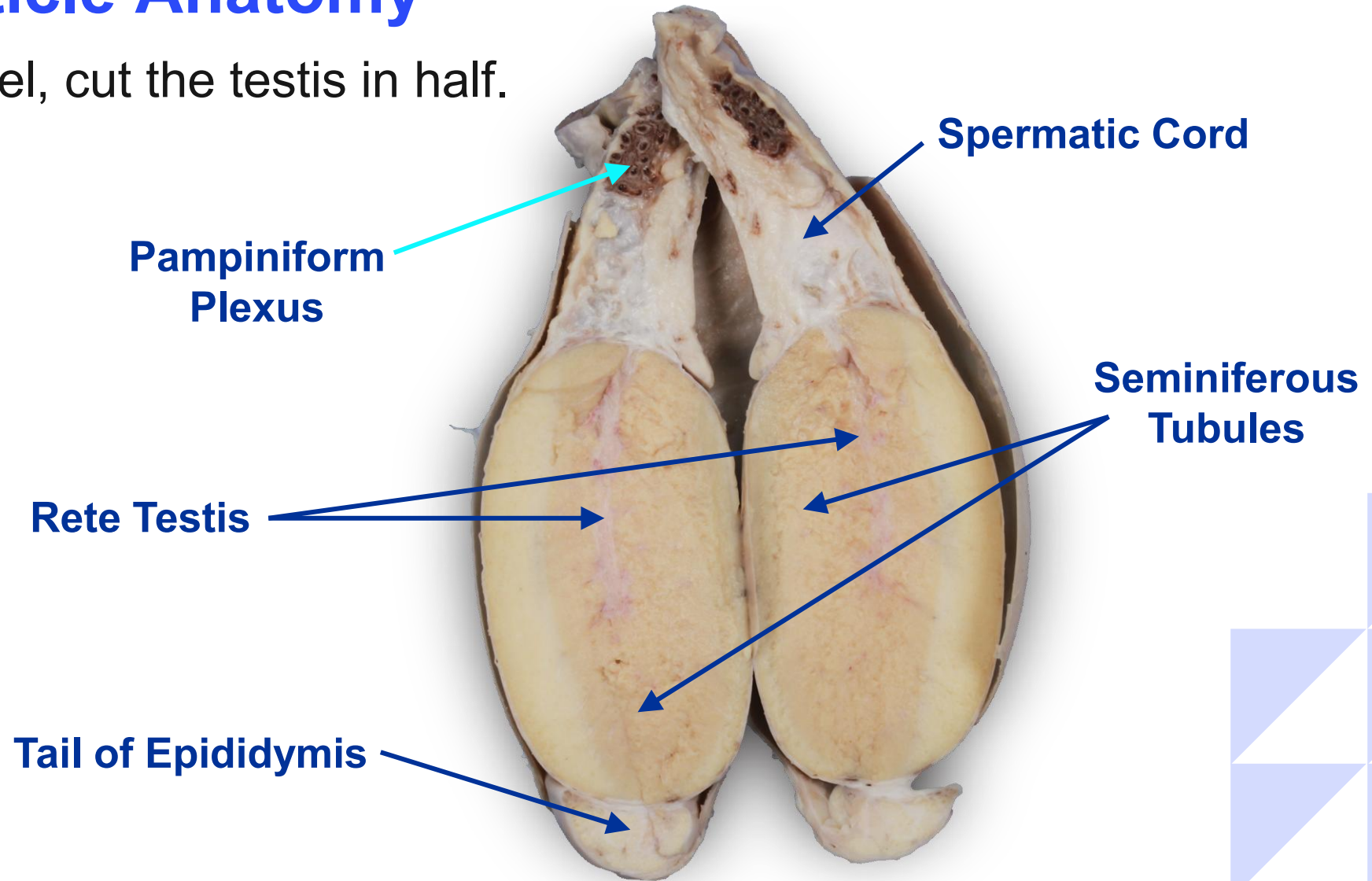
# Bull Testicle Anatomy

1. With scissors, at the anterior end, make a longitudinal cut through the outer coverings (tunic) over the testicle.
2. Peel them back to reveal more structures.



# Bull Testicle Anatomy

With a scalpel, cut the testis in half.



# Dissection Preparation Tips

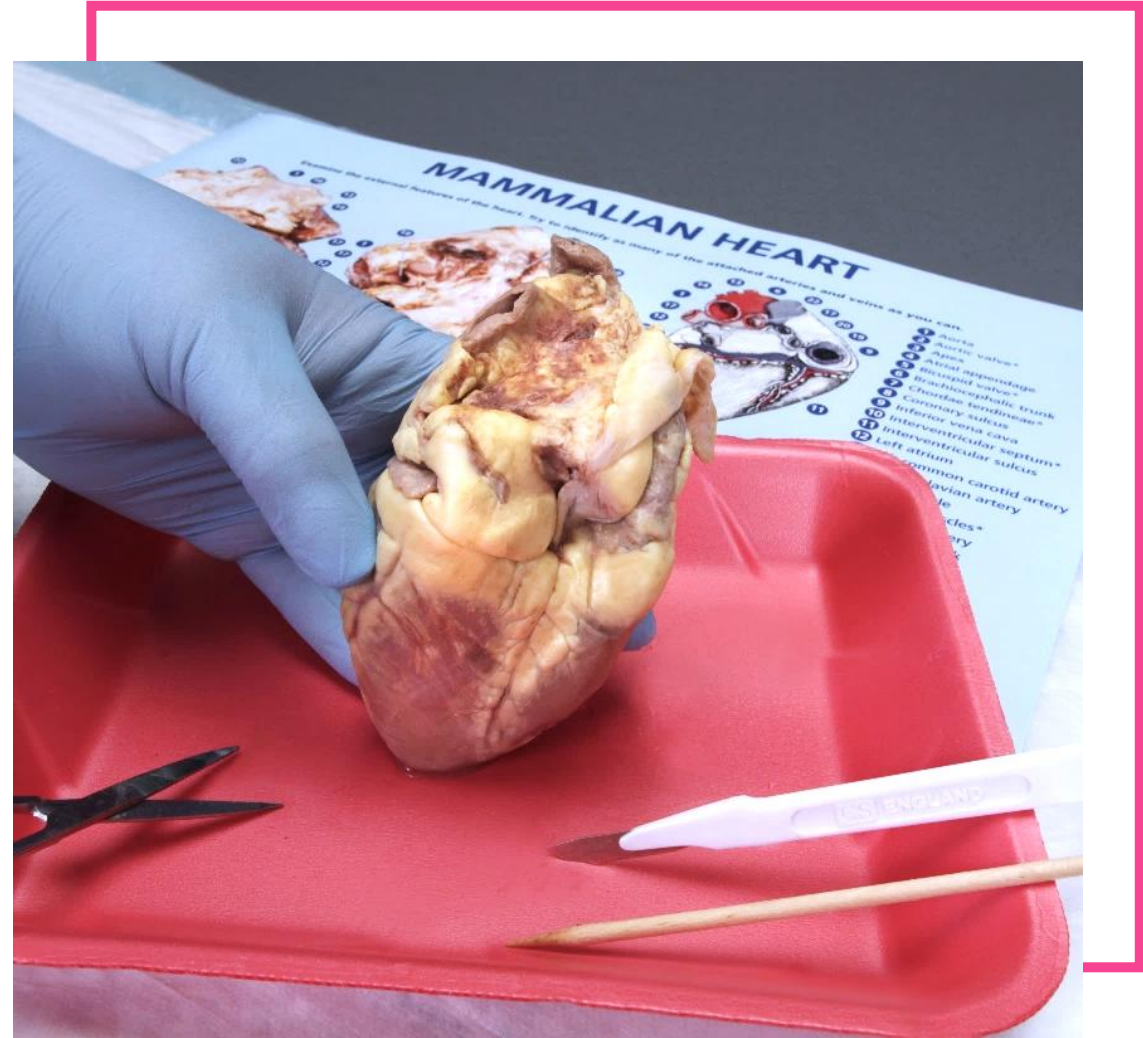
- **Put your bull testicle on the blue pad.** *Someone will come around and collect it for you.*
- **Place the sheep heart on the tray.**
- **We will dissect together!**



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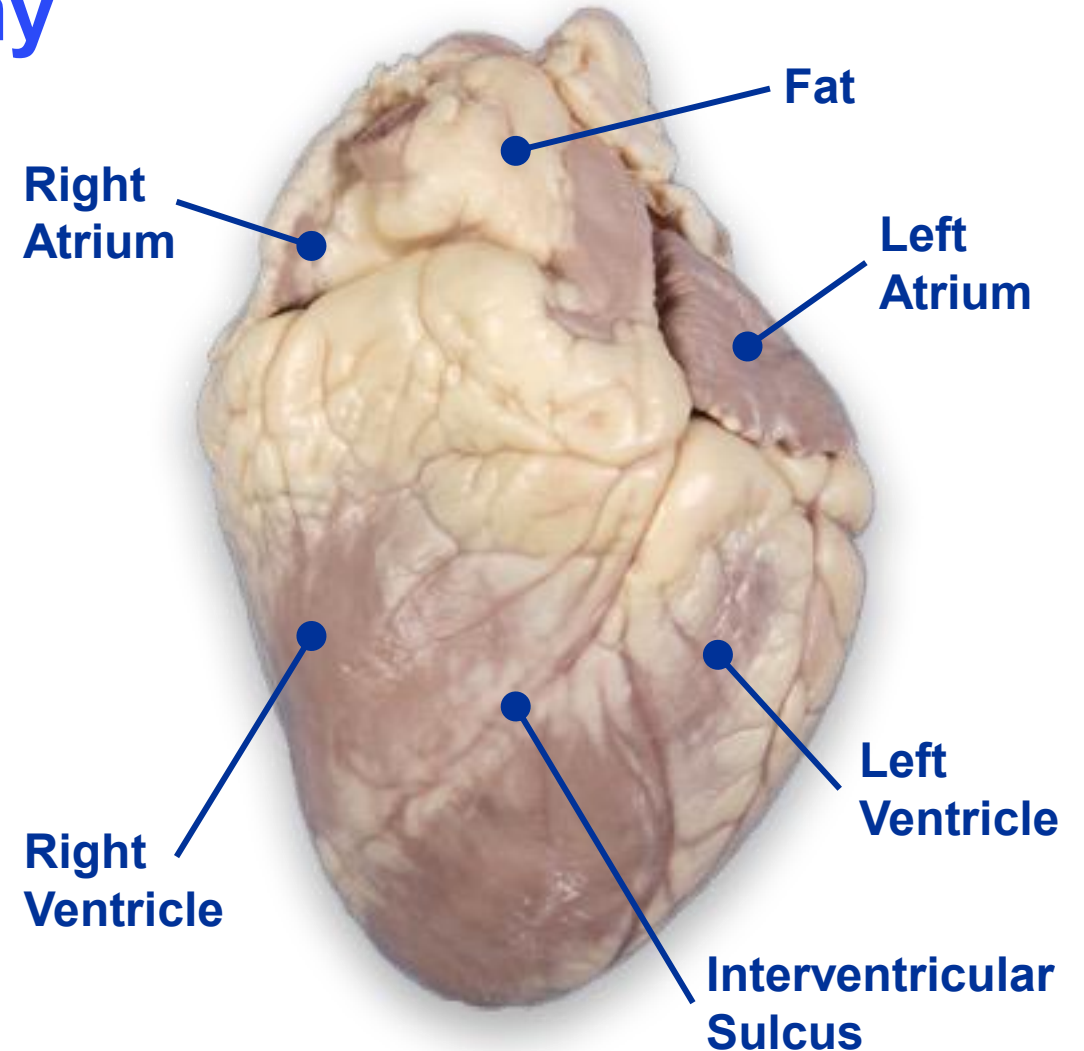
# Sheep Heart: External Anatomy

## 1. Correctly orient the heart.

*Hint: Find the interventricular sulcus first, then each atria.*

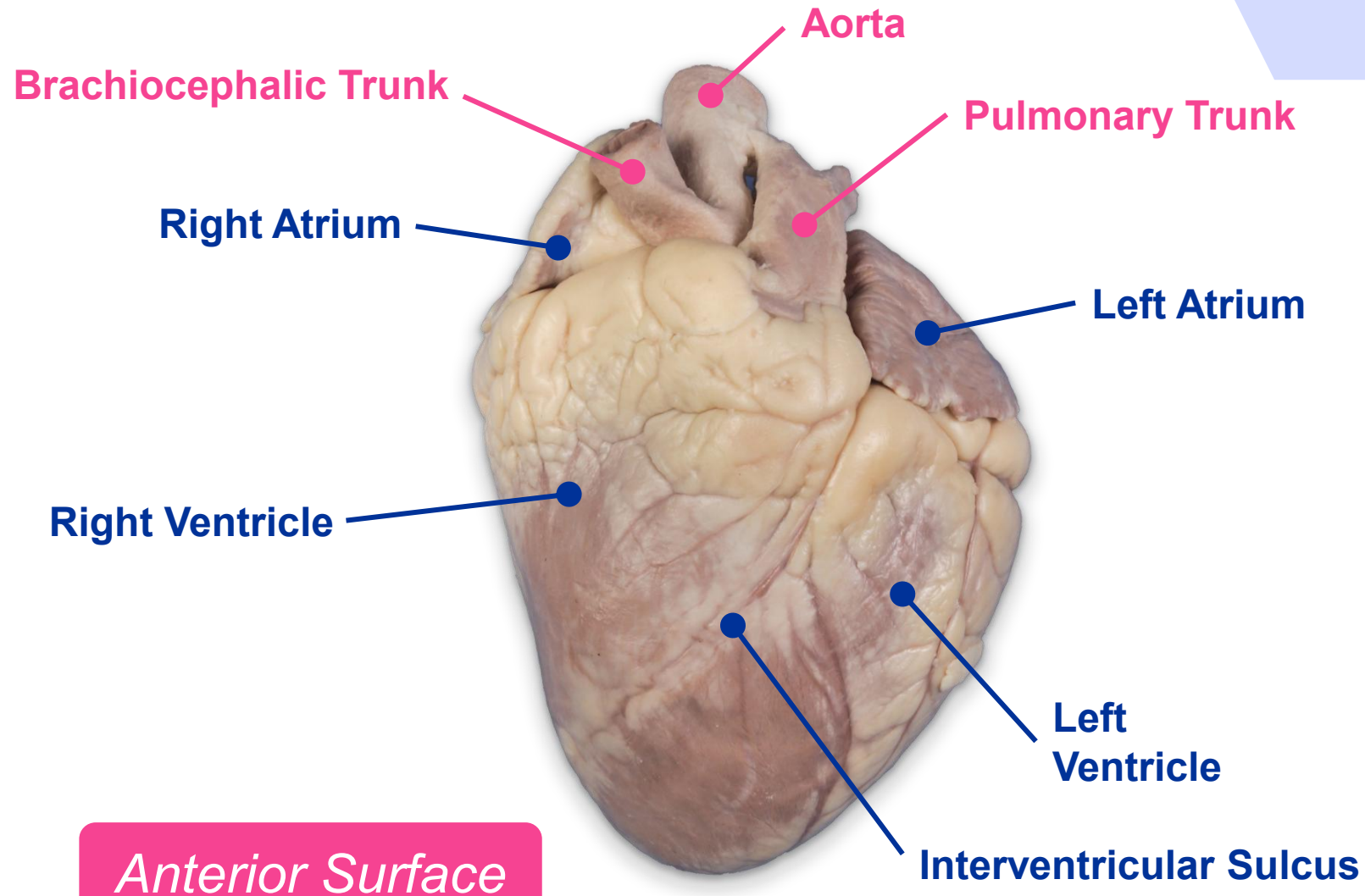
## 2. Locate all structures on the anterior and posterior surfaces.

## 3. As needed, trim the fat from around the blood vessels with scissors.

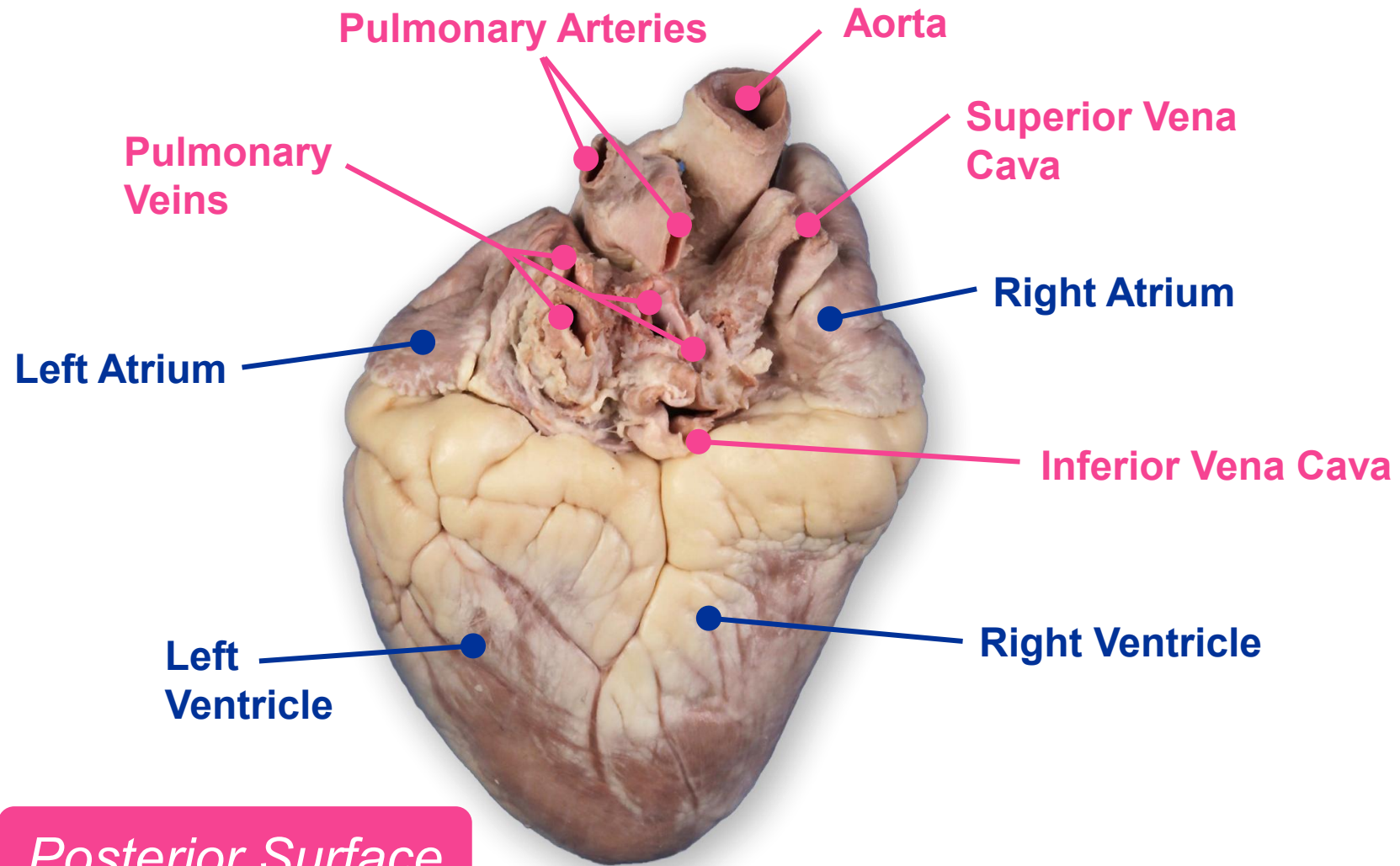


*Anterior Surface*

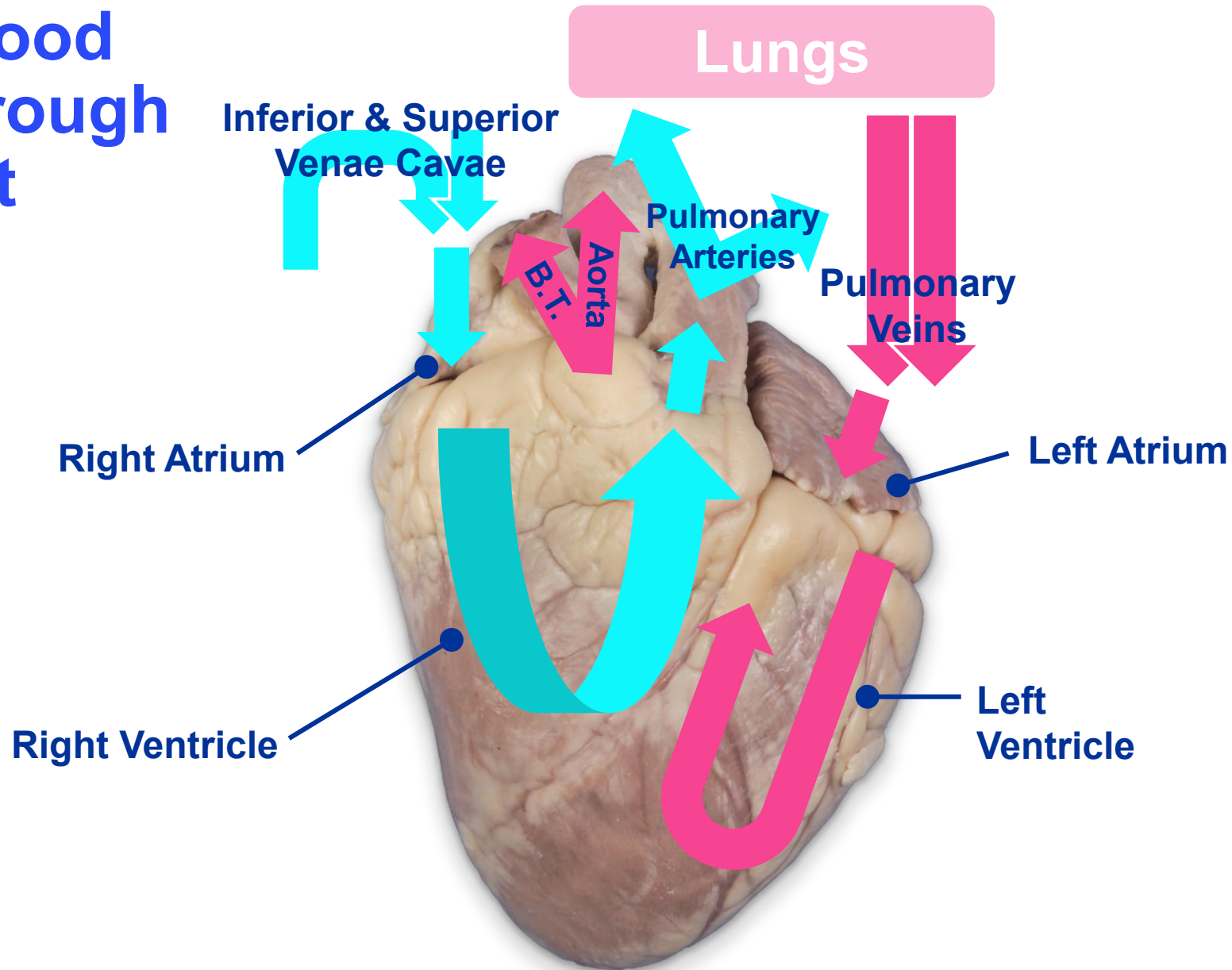
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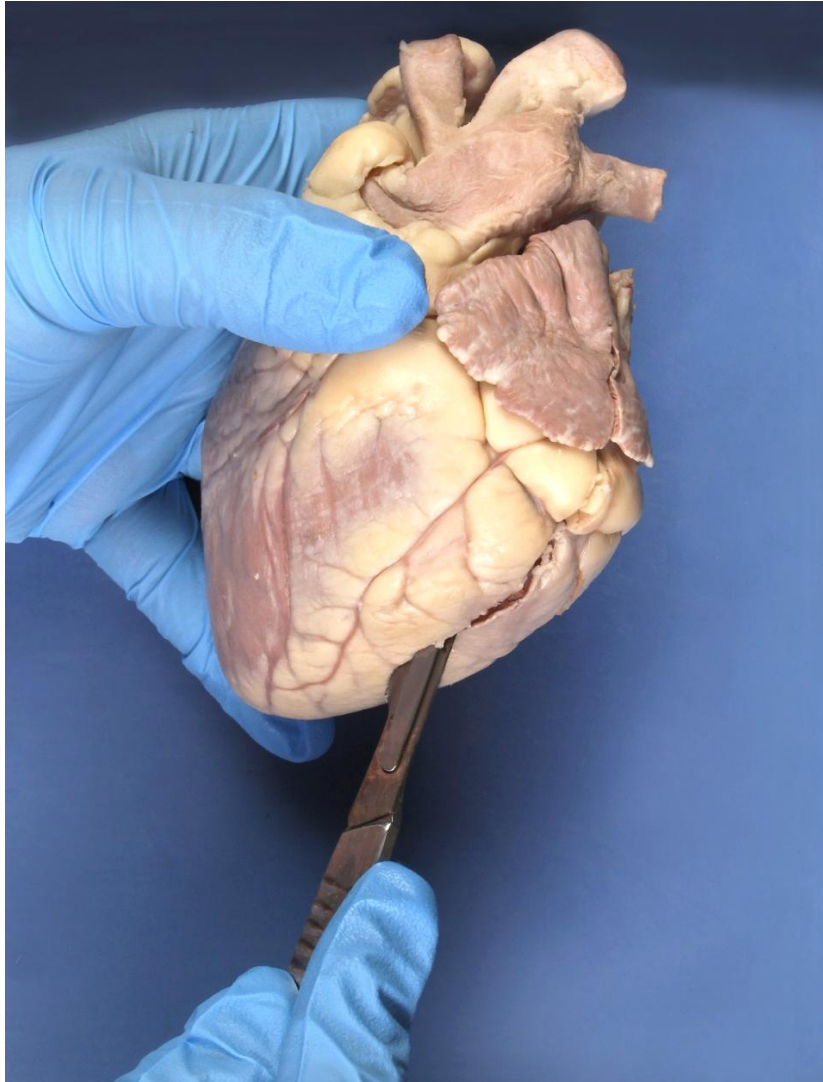
# Sheep Heart: External Anatomy



# Trace Blood Flow Through the Heart

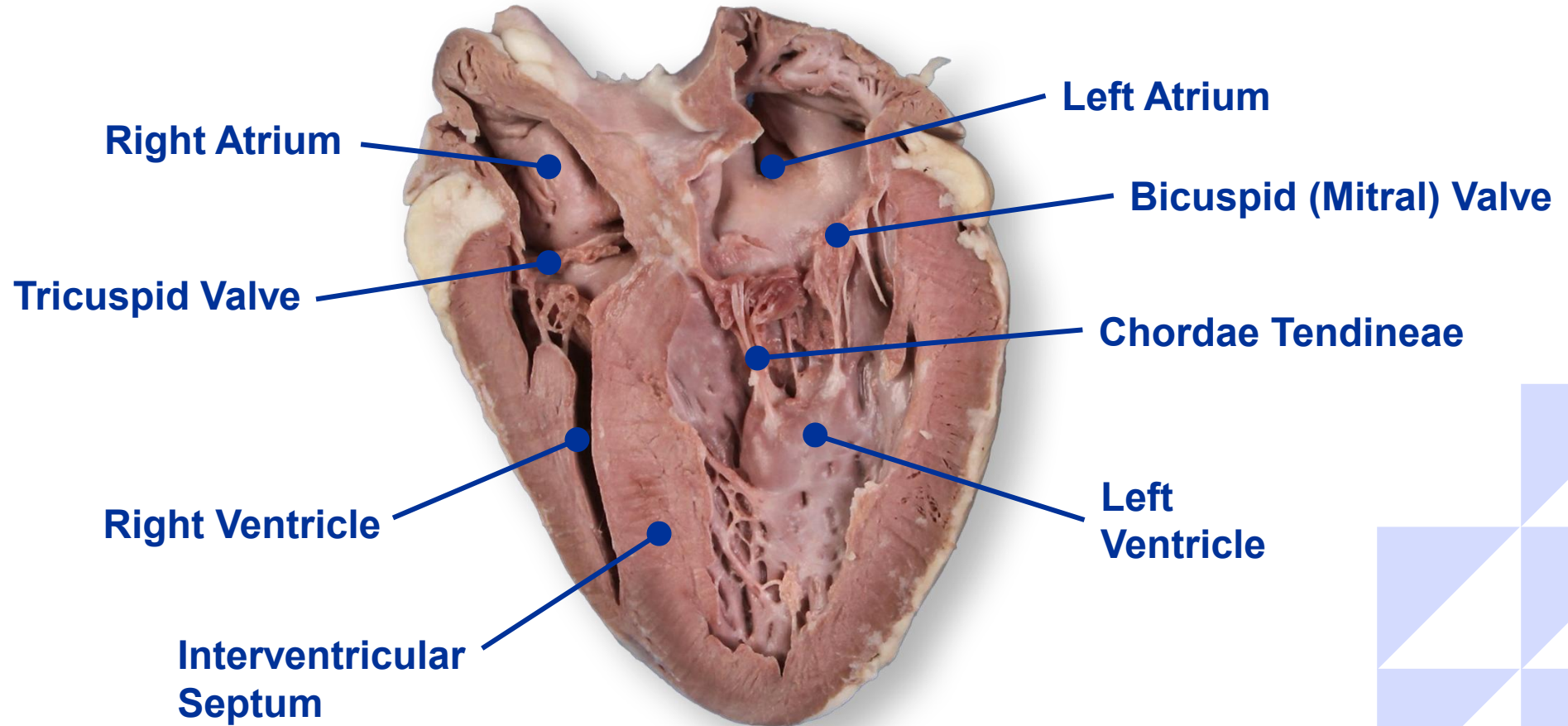


# A Knife in the Heart!

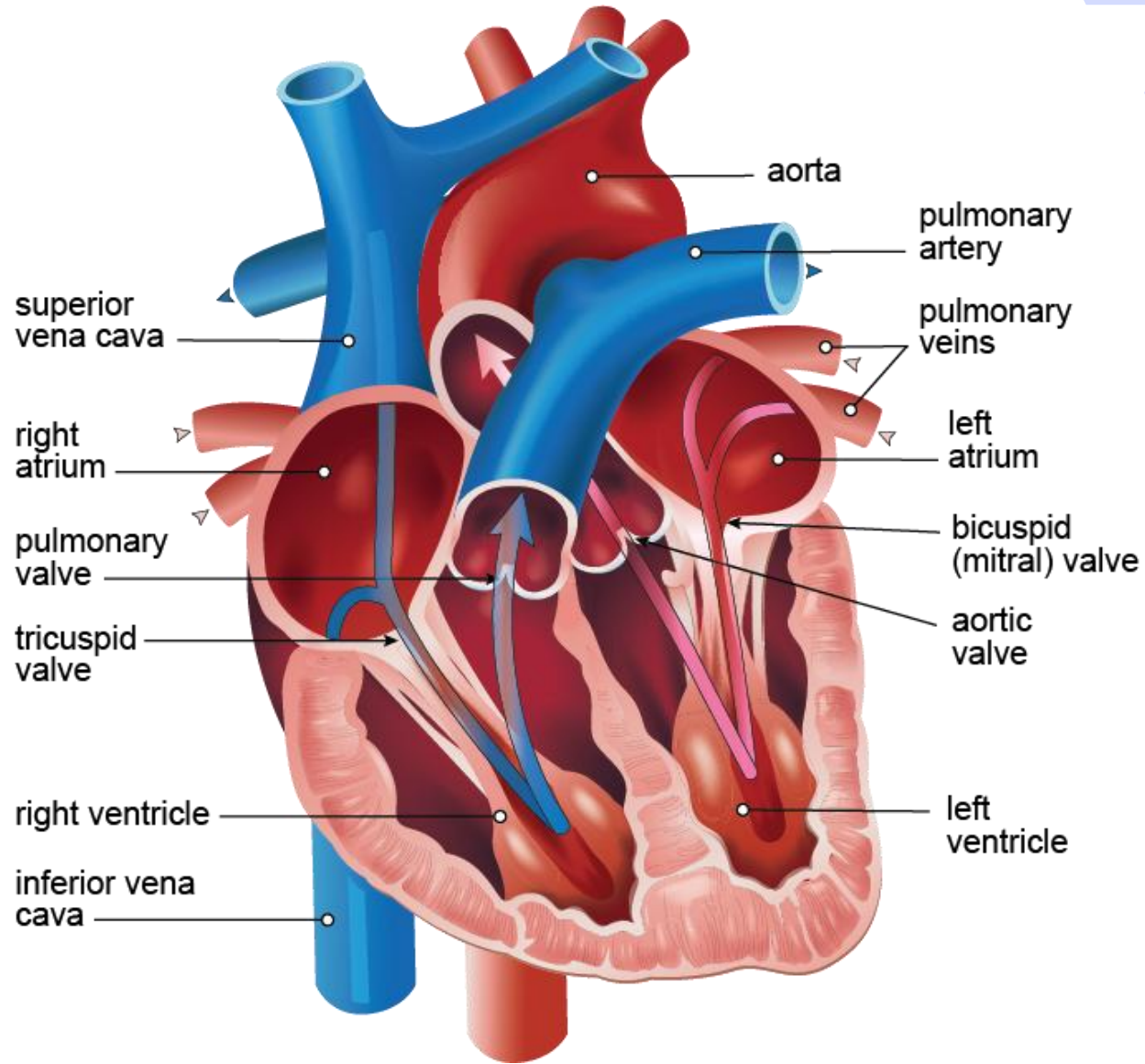


**Cut the heart in half,  
across the atria and  
ventricles, as shown.**

# Sheep Heart: Internal Anatomy



# Blood Flow



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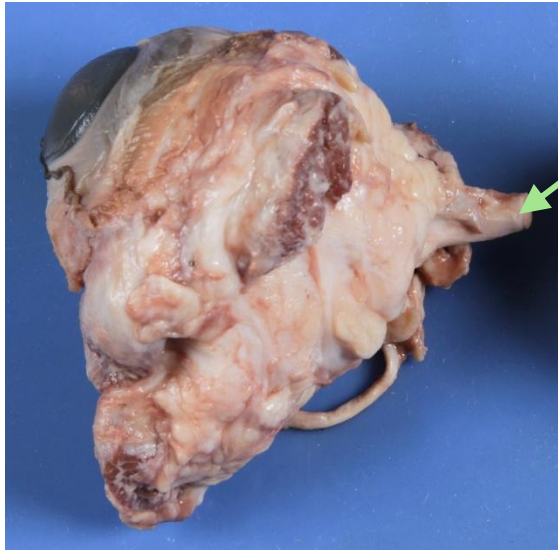


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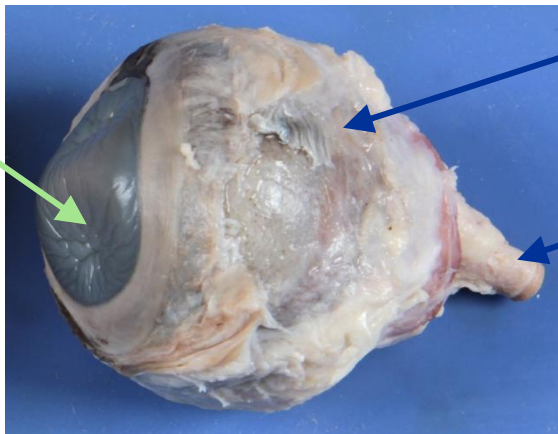
- **Set your white tray with the sheep heart on it to the side.** *Someone will come around and collect your waste.*
- **Put your red tray on the blue pad.**
- **Place the cow eye on the tray.**
- **We will dissect together!**



# Cow Eye: External Anatomy



Optic nerve



Cornea

Sclera

Optic nerve

1. Use scissors to remove fat from the eye. *Hint: "Pull and flatten, then cut."*
2. Do not cut the optic nerve!

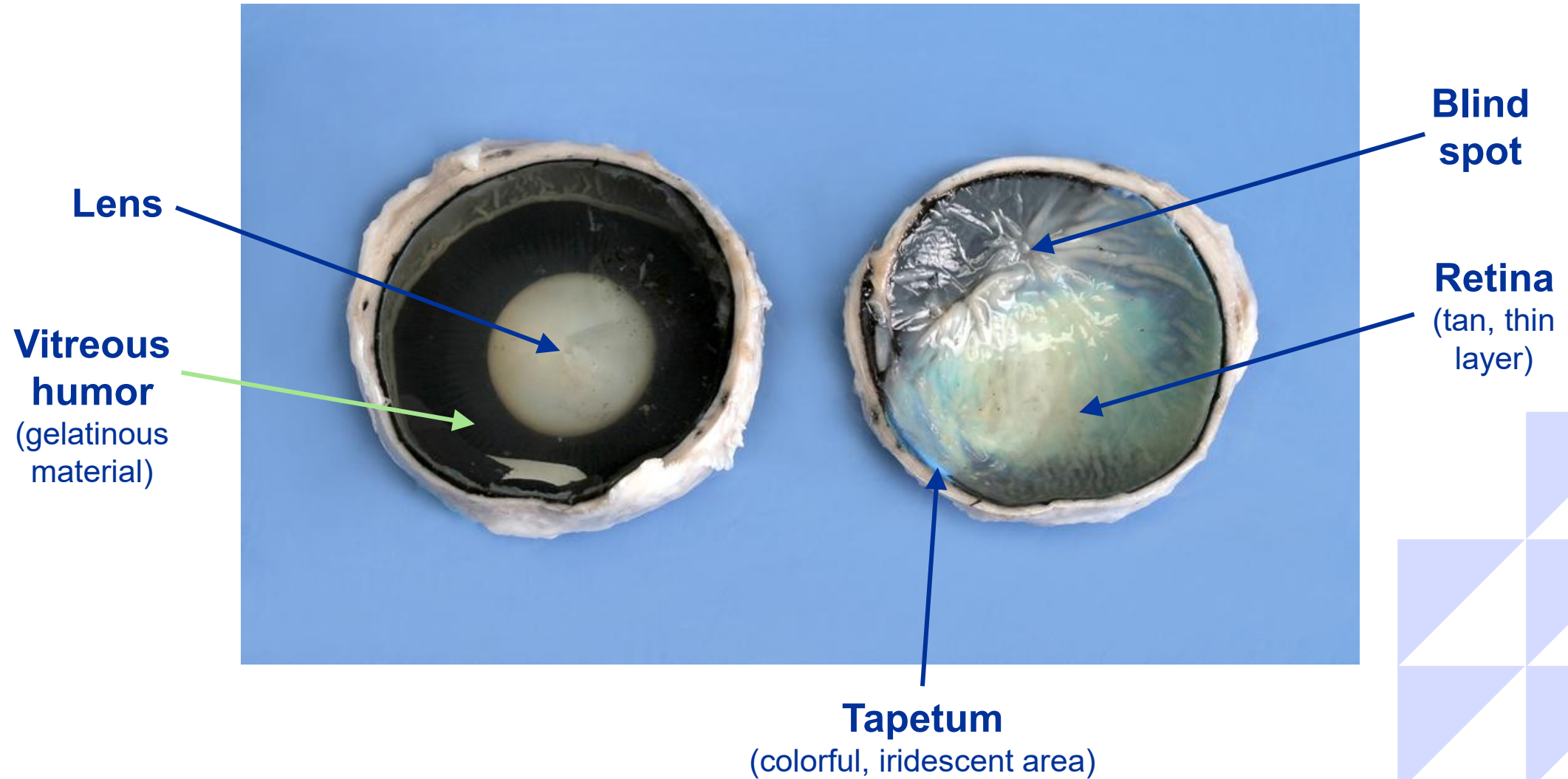
# It's Eye Opening!



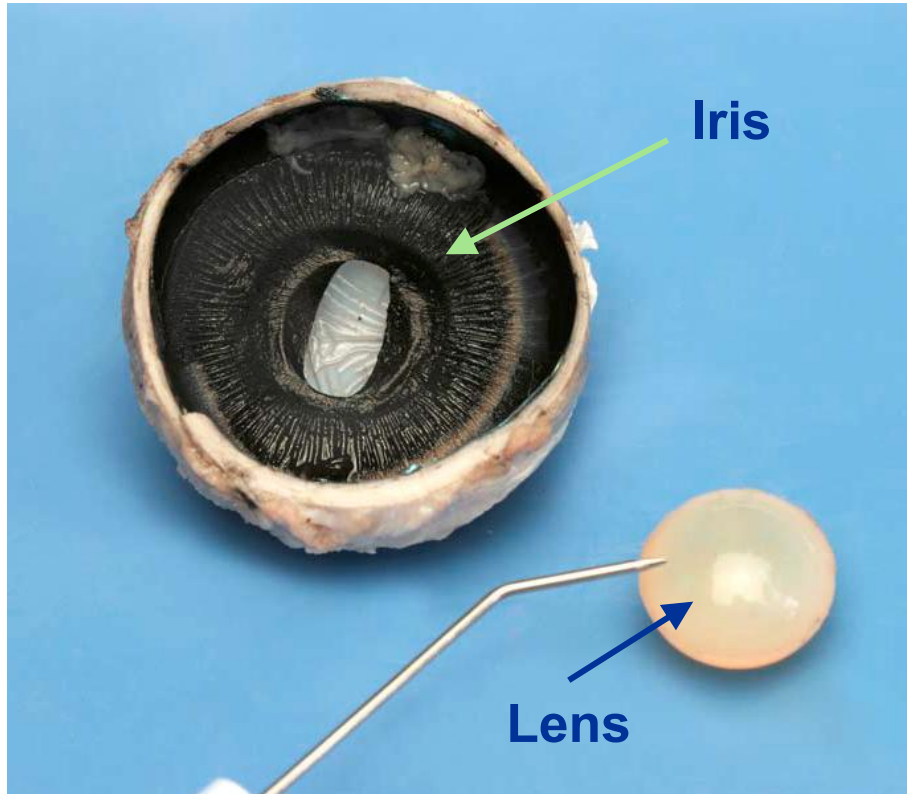
**Cut a cross section, as shown.**

*Teacher tip: You may wish to start the incision with a scalpel and allow your students to finish with scissors.*

# Cow Eye: Internal Anatomy



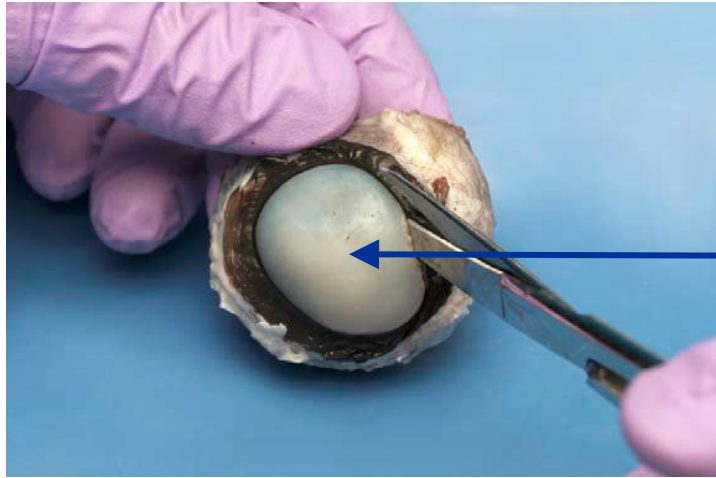
# Cow Eye: Internal Anatomy



**Remove the vitreous humor and the lens.**

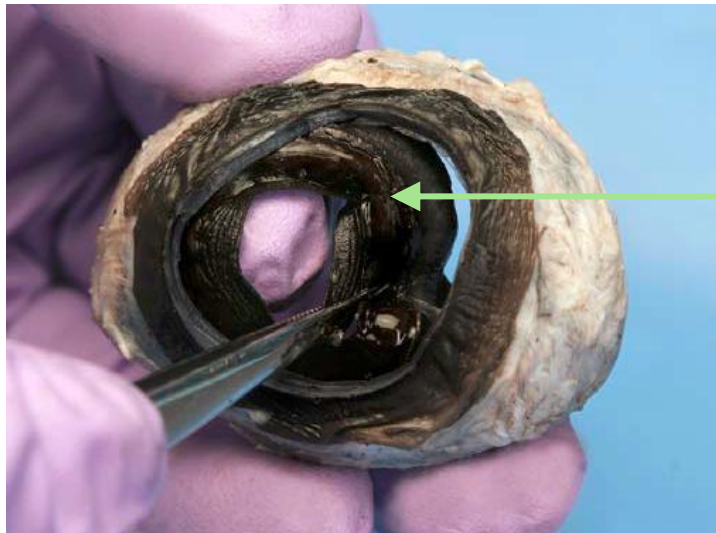
*Teacher tip: Let the lens dry. Test its magnifying abilities by placing it over some printed text.*

# Cow Eye: Internal Anatomy



Cornea

1. Carefully cut through the thick cornea.
2. Tease the iris away from the inner surface of the eye.



Iris

# Cow Eye: Internal Anatomy



# Student Data and Artifacts

	<b>Testicle</b>	<b>Heart</b>	<b>Eye</b>
<b>Major Function</b>			
<b>Description</b>			
<b>Specialized Tissues</b>			
<b>Associated Organs</b>			
<b>System</b>			

# Student Data and Artifacts

**Describe how each organ has a role in controlling or affecting the function of the other organs studied.**

**Discuss the interdependence of organ systems.**

**Create a model of an organ or organ system to show its main functions.**

# Cleanup Instructions

**STOP!**

- **KEEP GLOVES ON!**
- **Separate trash from animal material/waste.**
- **Carolina employees will come and collect ONLY animal waste. Place in buckets.**
- **All other trash goes in trash bags.**
- **Wipe off tools, mats and tables.**



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