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D11 Cardiac Rupture Following Blunt Chest Trauma: The Case of a High Semi-Truck

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This author will demonstrate the mechanisms of cardiac rupture following a particular road traffic accident. This presentation will explain that cardiac rupture is the most common injury following road traffic accidents. This injury has a high mortality rate. Blunt cardiac ruptures most commonly follow road traffic accidents and have a high mortality rate.

This is the case of a truck driver who lost his life following a fatal accident involving his semi truck and a low viaduct. The driver failed to wear his seat belt and was travelling about 70km/h.

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