

# FFR and Valvular Heart Disease

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# FFR in Valvular Heart Disease

Factors confounding interpretation of FFR

Coronary Blood flow and Reserve

Left Ventricular Hypertrophy and Strain

Microvascular dysfunction

Theoretical considerations for FFR in TAVR

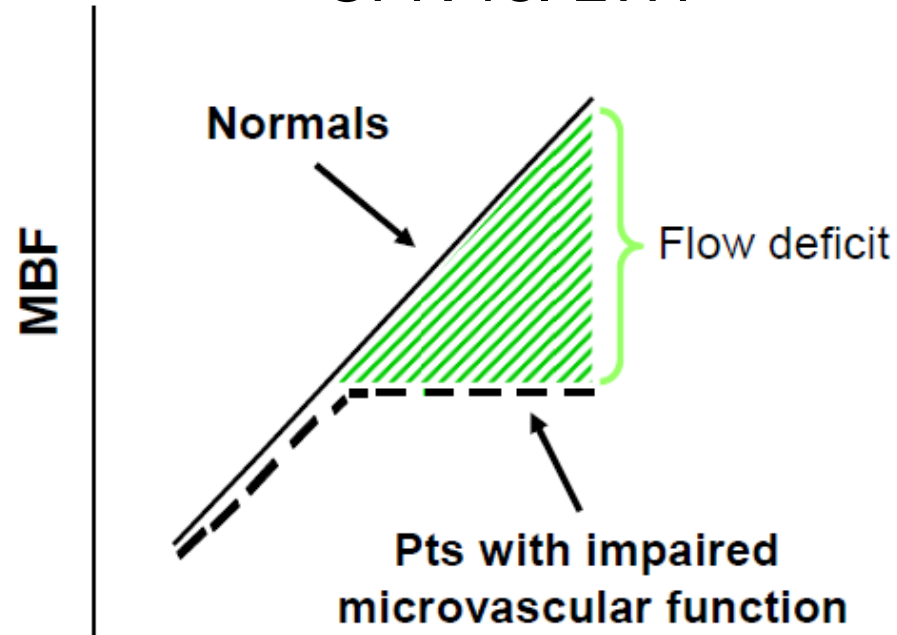


## Why Angina in Aortic Stenosis With Normal Coronary Arteriograms?

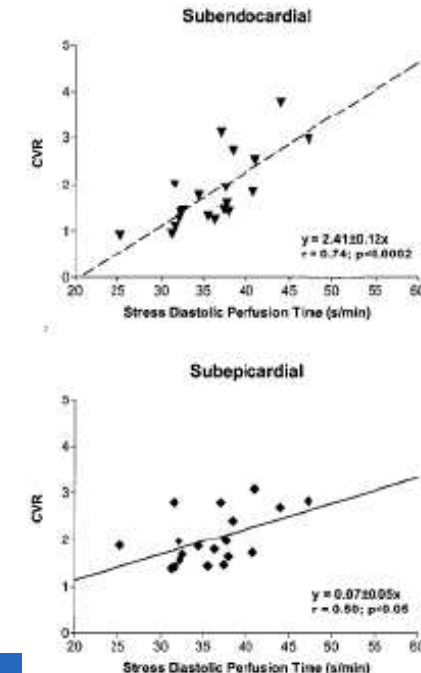
K. Lance Gould, MD; Blase A. Carabello, MD

Circulation 2003;107:3121-3123

### CFR vs. LVH

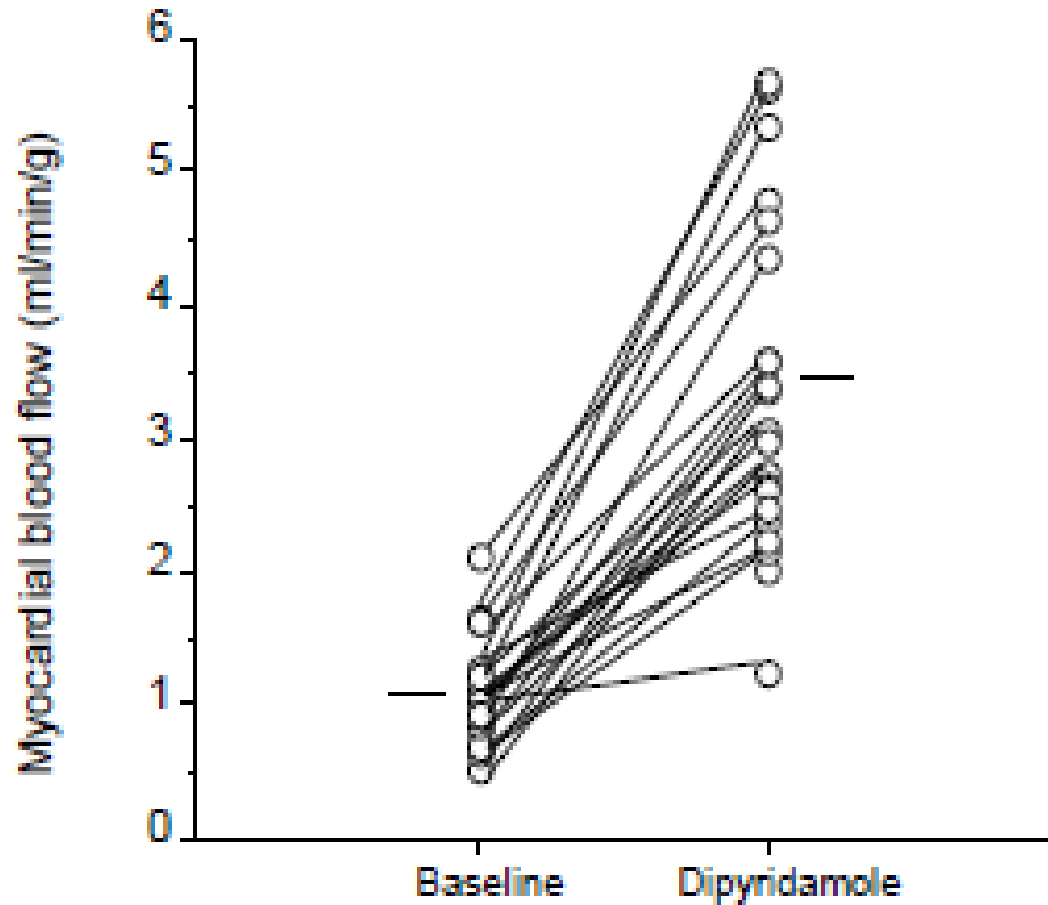


### CFR vs. Diastolic Perfusion Time

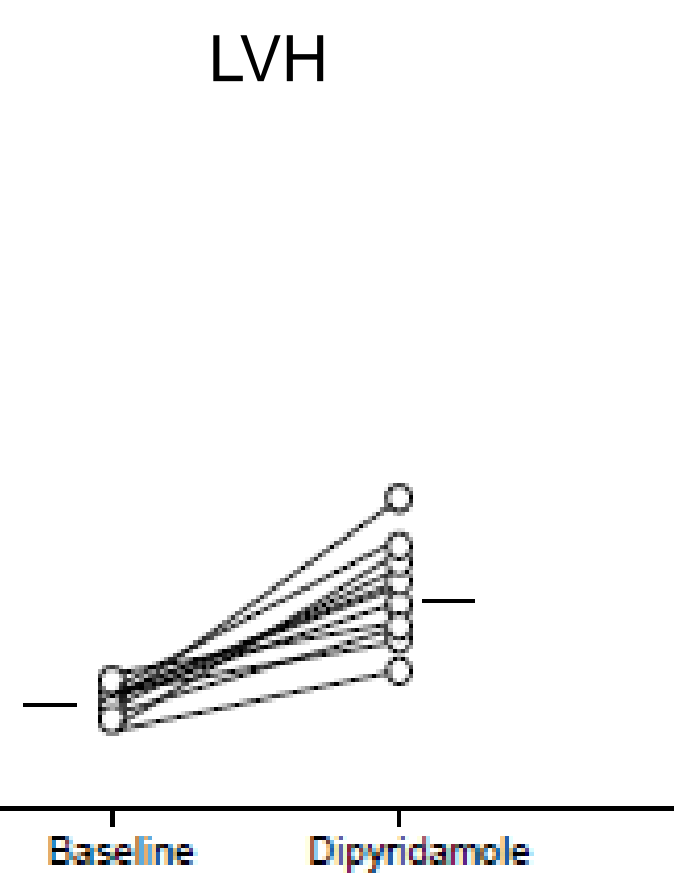


# Microvascular disease and CBF

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LVH

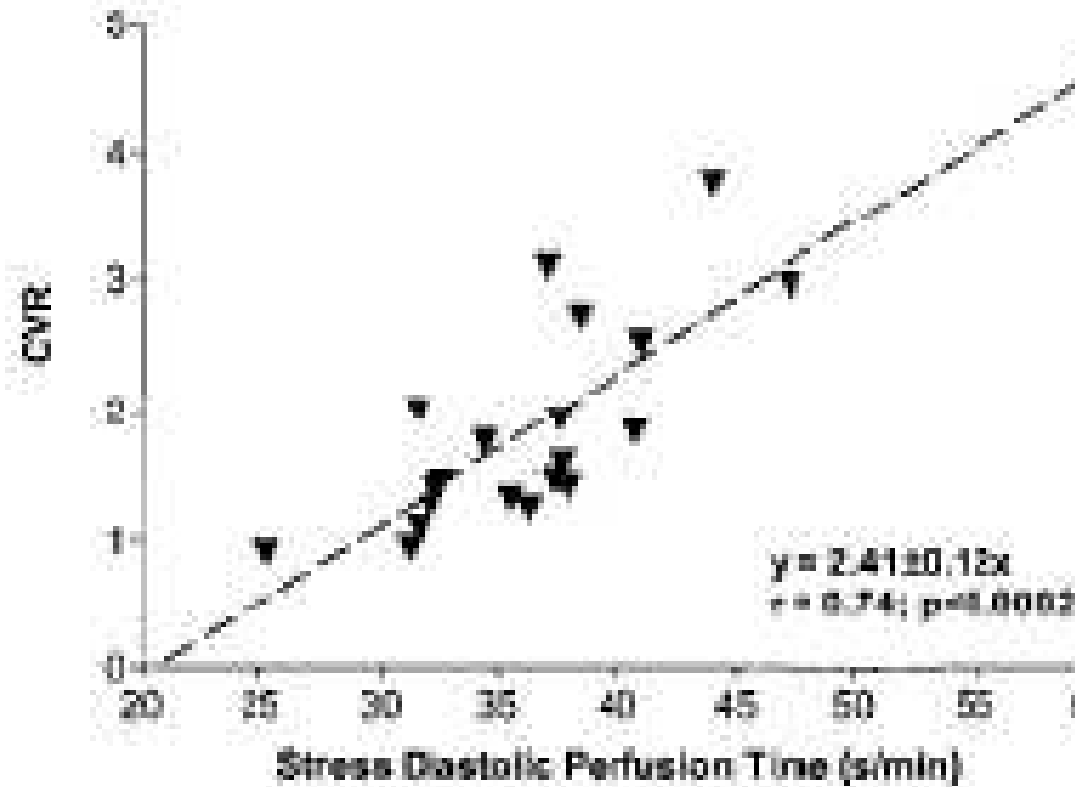


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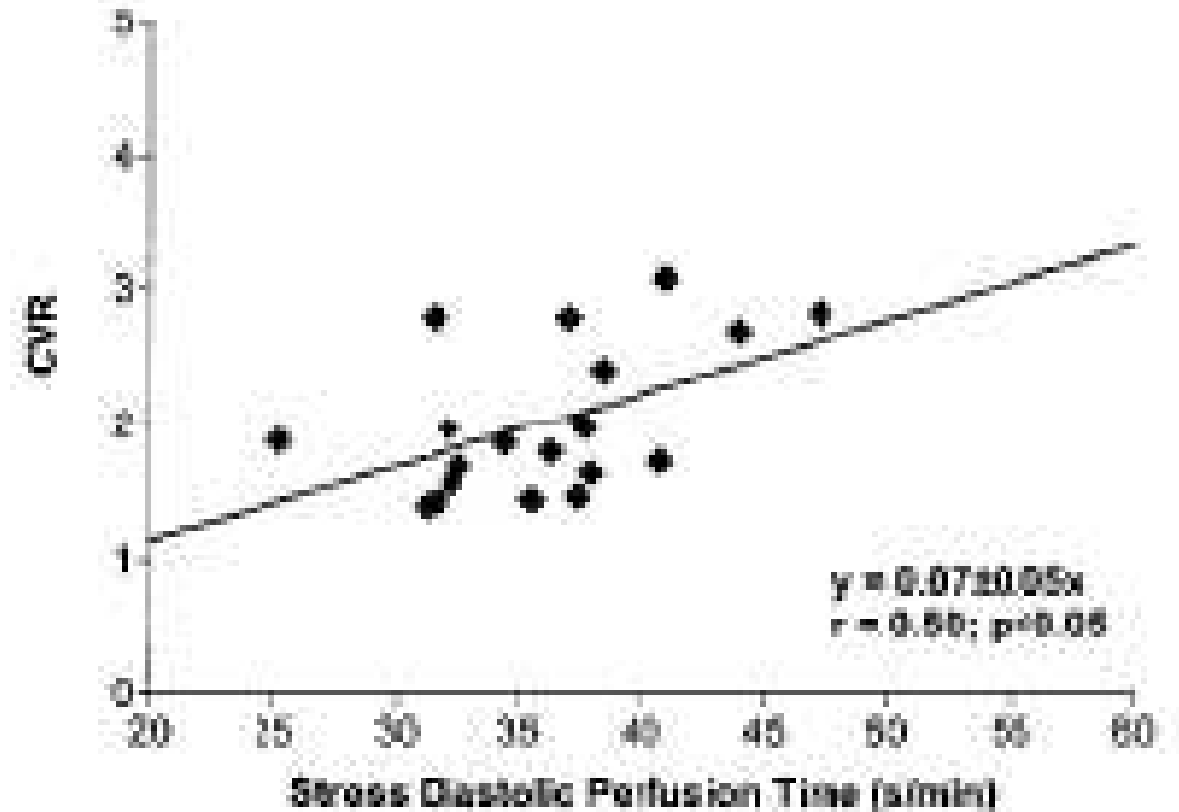


# CVR vs Diastolic Perfusion Time

Subendocardial



Subepicardial

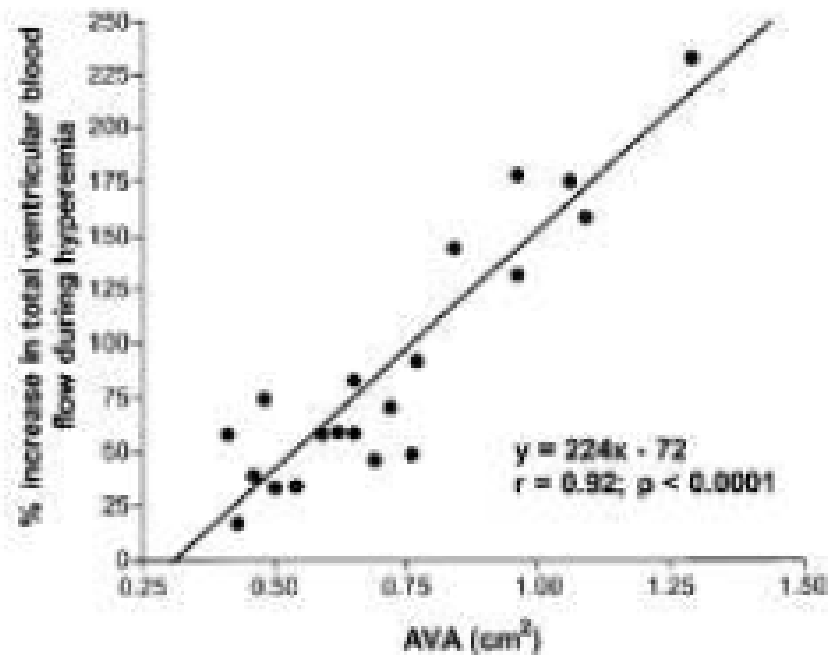


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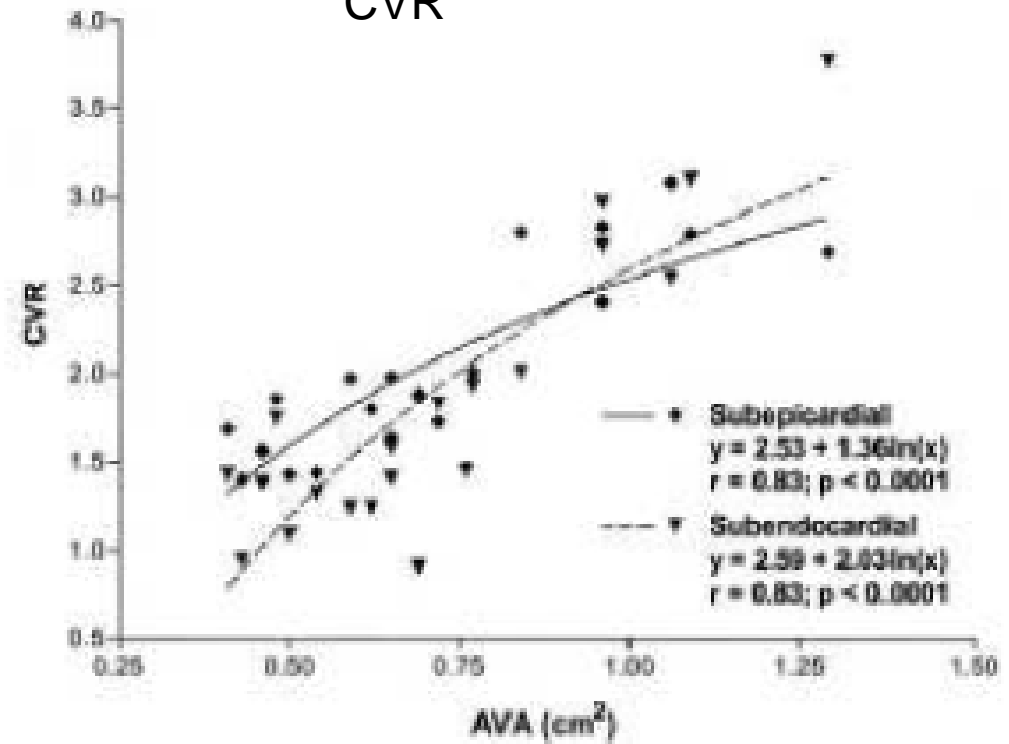


# Total and transmural MBF in Ao stenosis: relation to AVA

Ventricular blood flow during hyperemia



CVR



# Myocardial Blood Flow and Oxygen Consumption in Man Early After Valve Replacement

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## *Differences Between Patients in Group A According to the Valve Replaced*

	Mean LAP (Period 1)	LV CBF		MVO <sub>2</sub> ÷ TTI	
		(Period 2)	(Period 3)	(Period 2)	(Period 3)
Aortic valve replacement (N = 10)	9 ± 1.0	98.0 ± 5.4	96.3 ± 5.8	4.6 ± 0.27	5.0 ± 0.38
Mitral valve replacement (N = 4)	15 ± 2.3	123.1 ± 6.3	127.2 ± 8.7	6.7 ± 0.42	7.5 ± 0.59
P	< 0.025	< 0.05	< 0.025	< 0.001	< 0.005

*Circulation, Volume XLIX, May 1974*

Period 1 = pre, period 2= 2-4h post, period 3= 1 day post



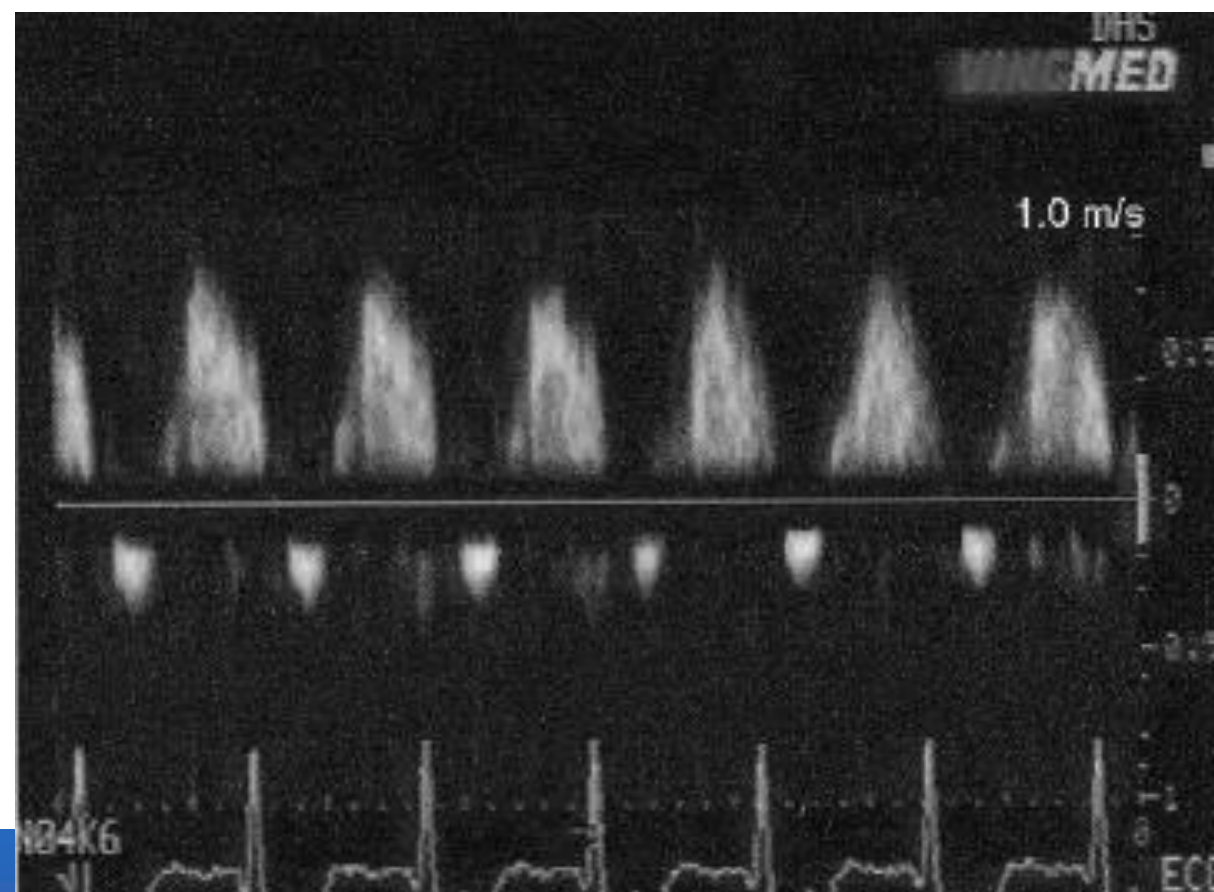
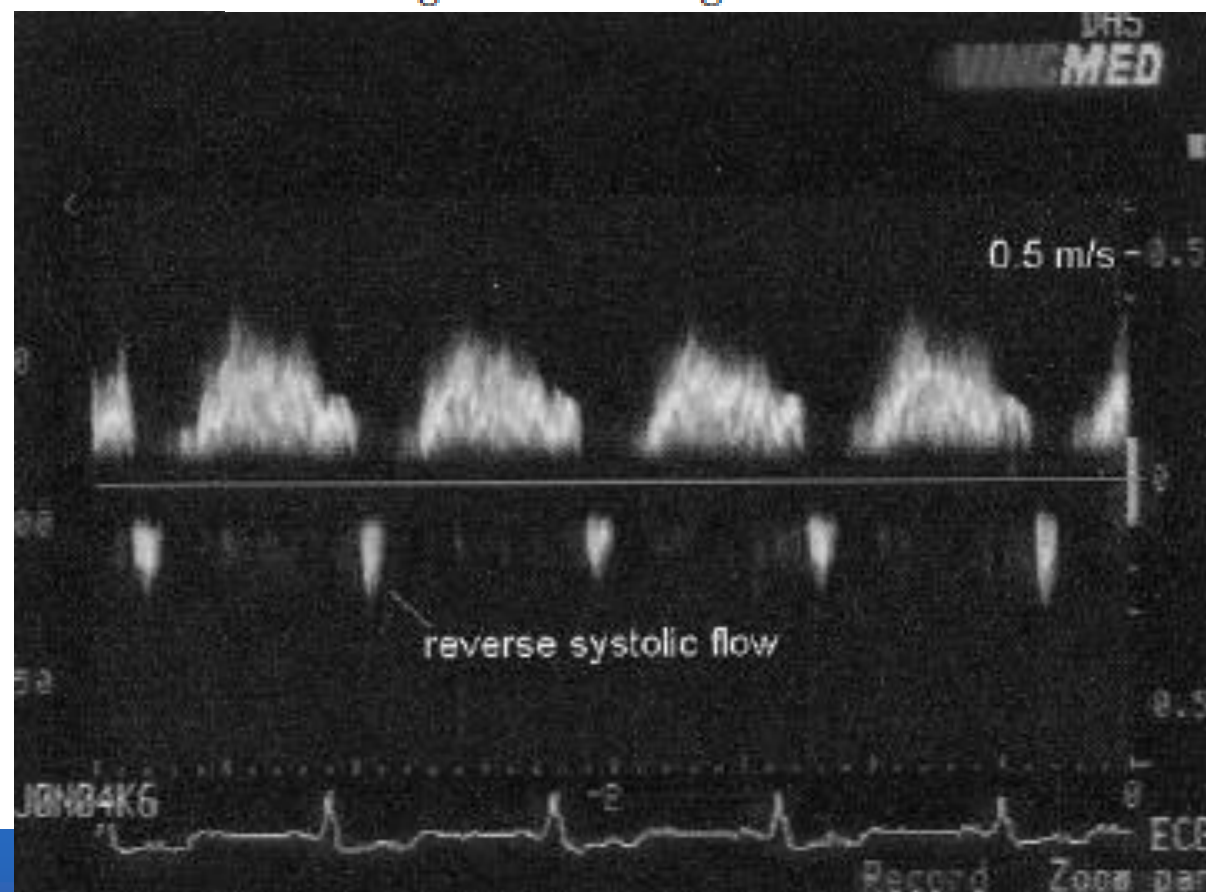


# Coronary Flow Reserve Improves After Aortic Valve Replacement for Aortic Stenosis: An Adenosine Transthoracic Echocardiography Study

JACC 2000

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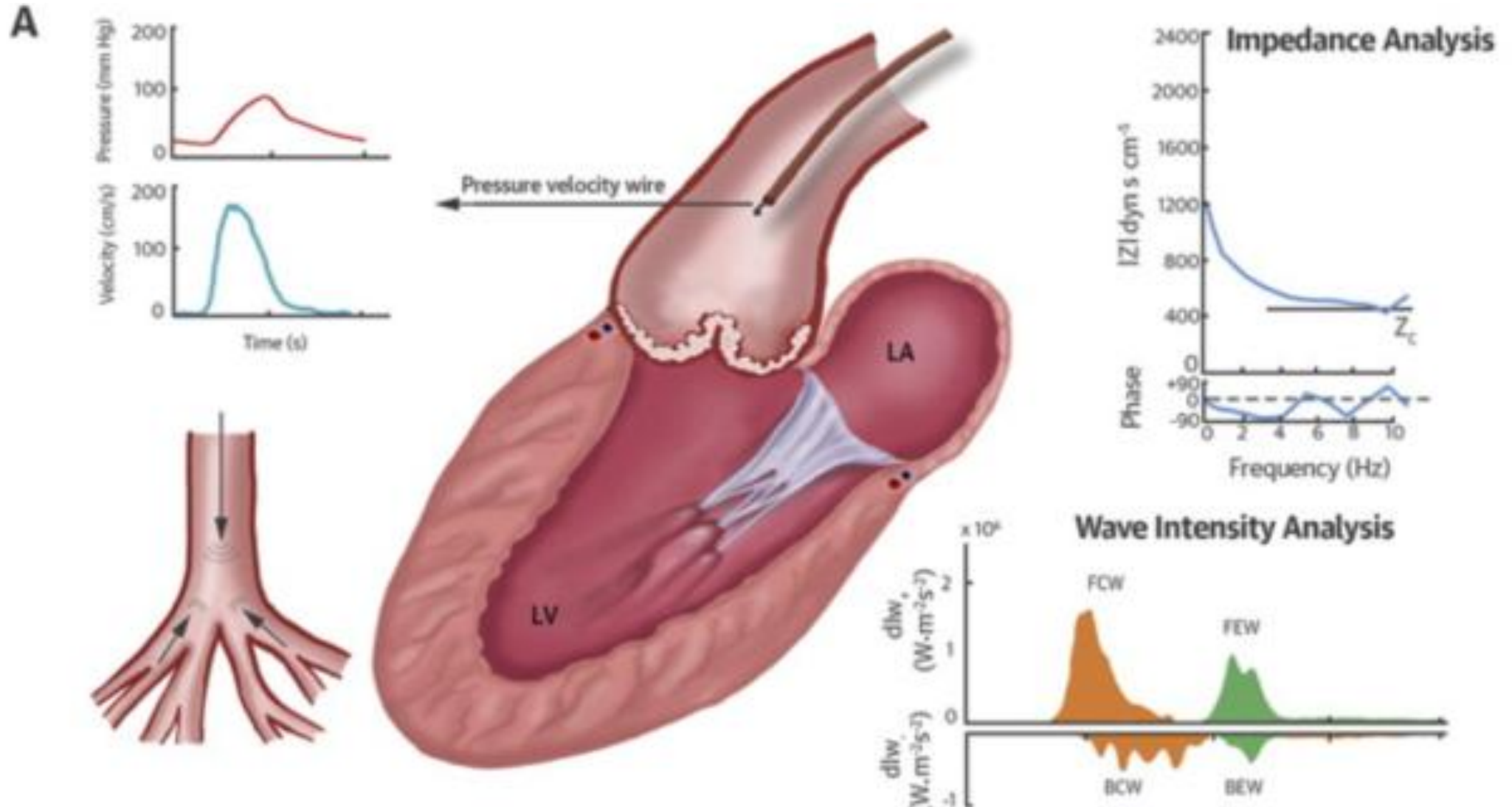


**Table 3.** Distal Left Anterior Descending Coronary Artery Flow Velocities and Flow Reserve Before and After AVR

Variable	Resting			Hyperemia		
	Pre-AVR	Post-AVR	p Value	Pre-AVR	Post-AVR	p Value
PSV (m/s)	0.05 (0.11)	0.16 (0.08)	< 0.01	0.02 (0.26)	0.25 (0.21)	< 0.01
PDV (m/s)	0.43 (0.16)	0.41 (0.11)	NS	0.71 (0.26)	1.08 (0.24)	< 0.01
VTI (mm)	15.4 (6.7)	13.4 (3.4)	NS	22.5 (5.2)	30.2 (5.2)	< 0.01
Heart rate (beats/min)	70 (11)	73 (9)	NS	78 (11)	81 (7)	NS
Flow (ml/min)	23.3 (10.1)	20.9 (5.2)	NS	37.8 (11.3)	53.5 (16.1)	< 0.01
Flow (ml/min/100 g LV mass)	8.7 (3.8)	9.0 (2.5)	NS	14.3 (5.0)	23.3 (8.5)	< 0.01
Coronary Flow Reserve				1.76 (0.5)	2.61 (0.7)	< 0.01



# Systemic Vascular Load in Calcific Degenerative Aortic Valve Stenosis: Insight From Percutaneous Valve Replacement

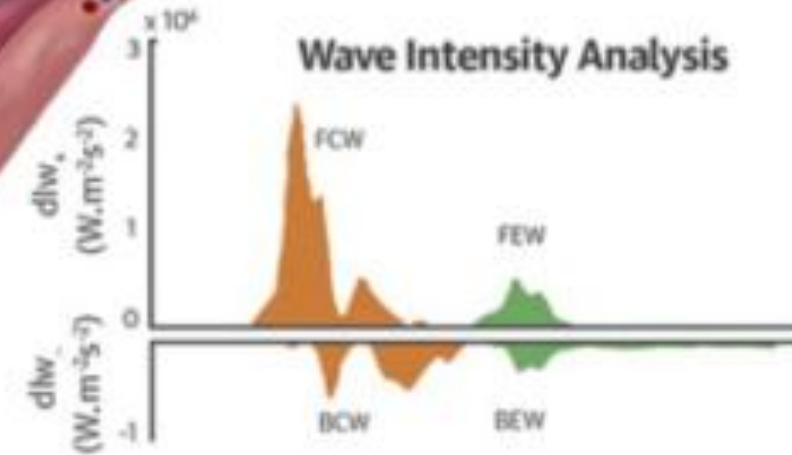
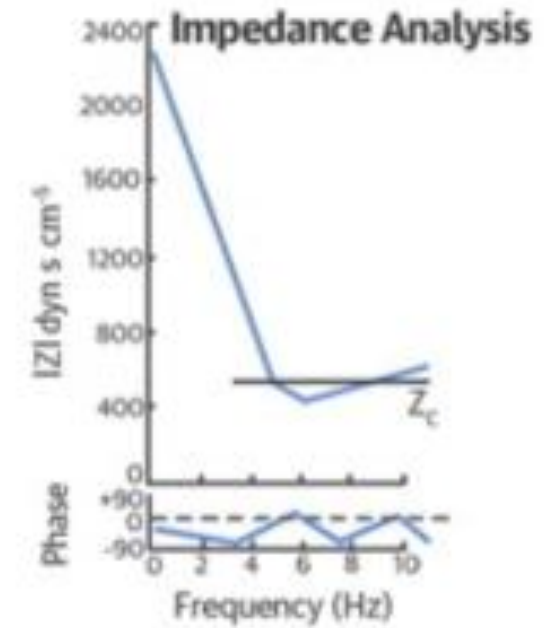
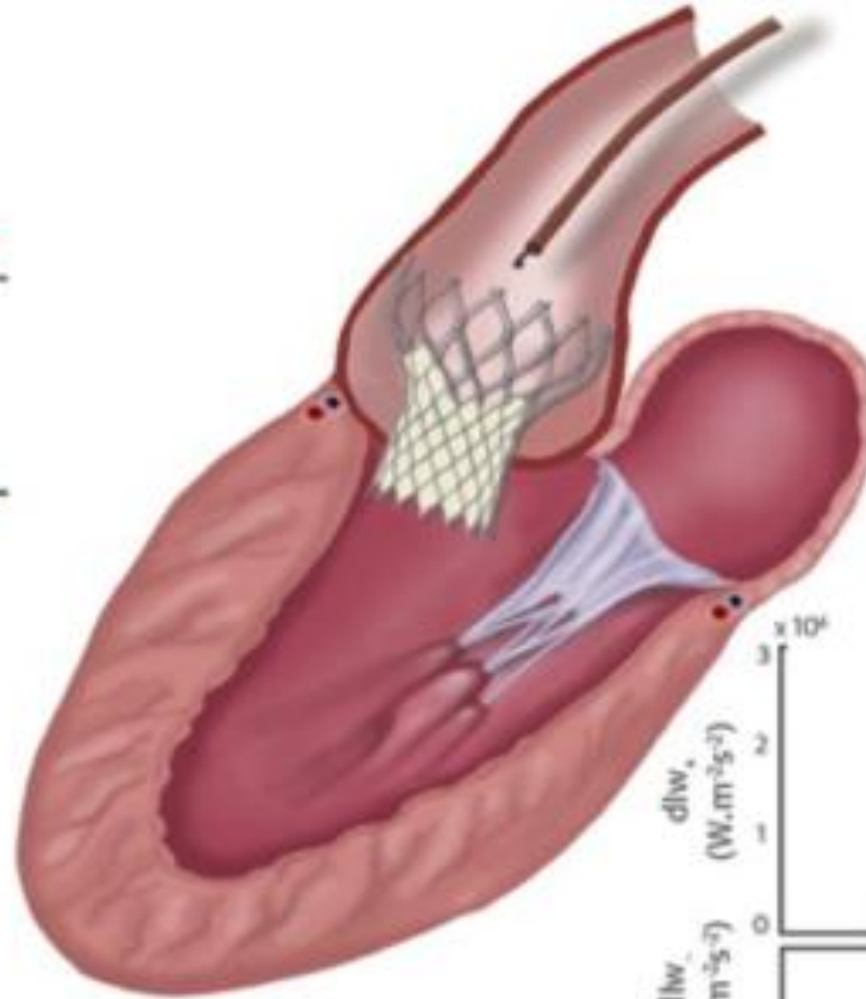
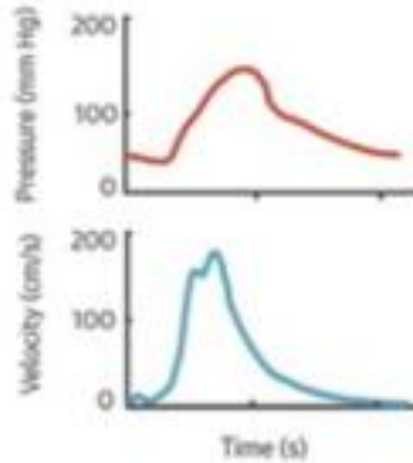


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# Systemic Vascular Load in Calcific Degenerative Aortic Valve Stenosis: Insight From TAVR

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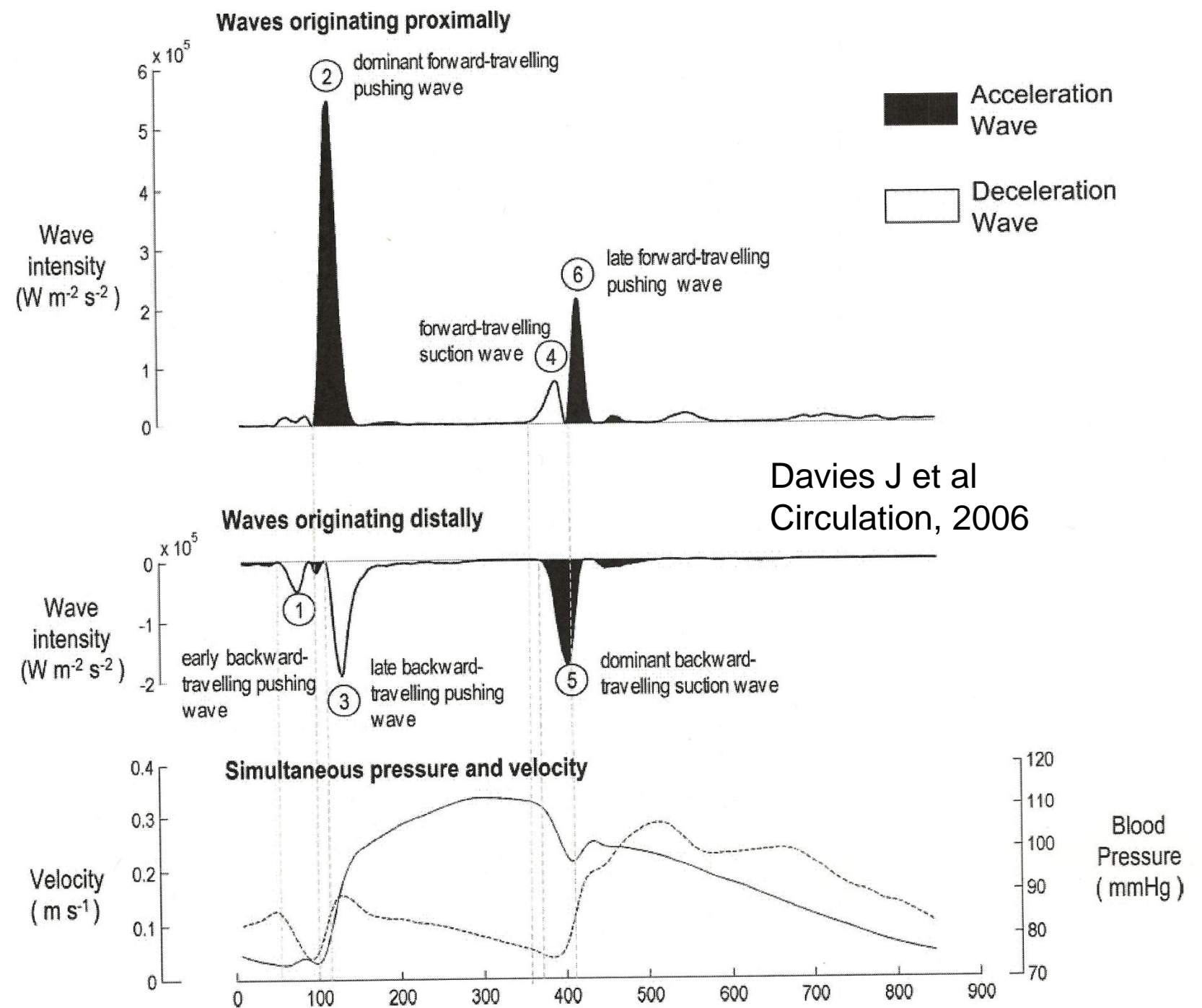
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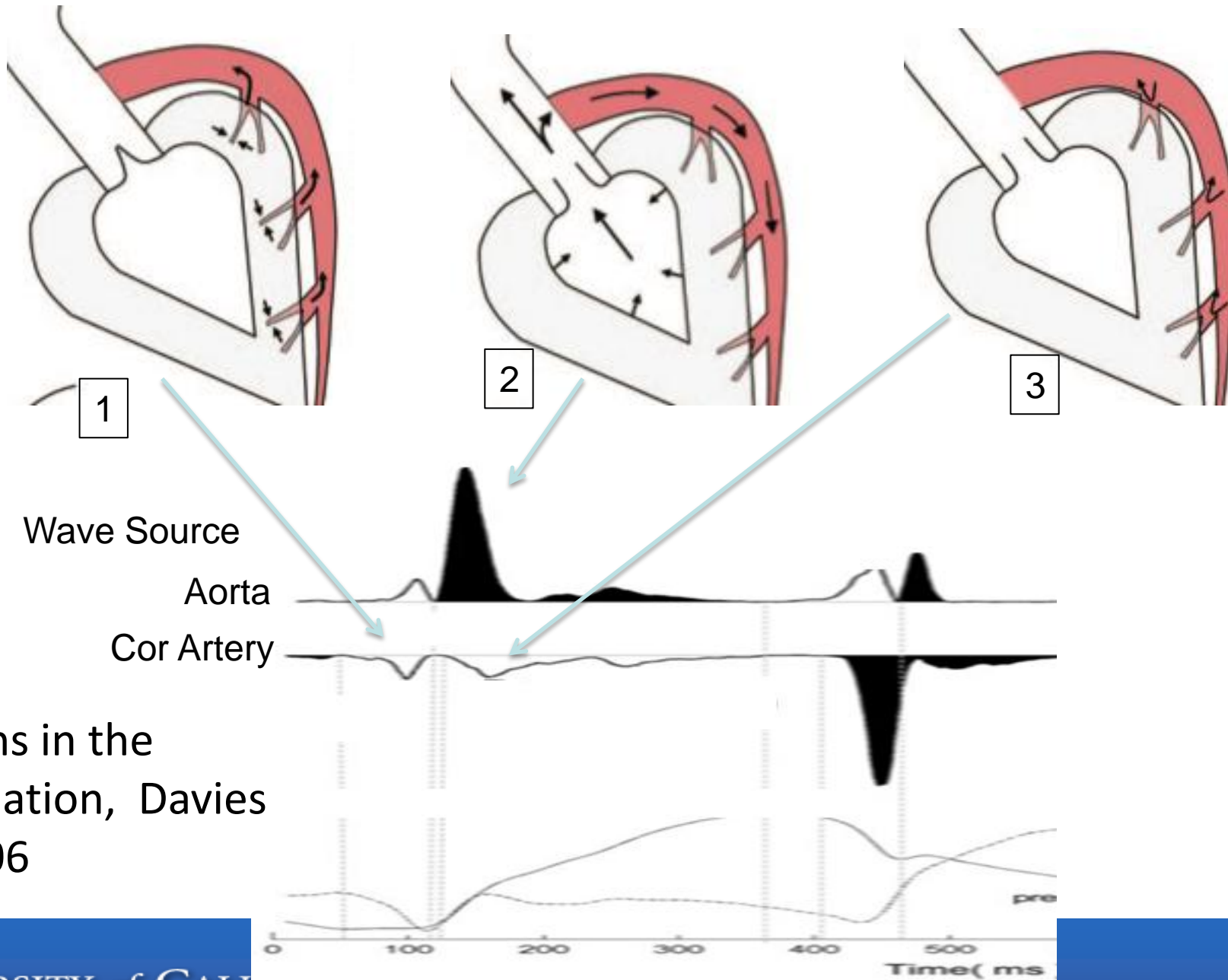


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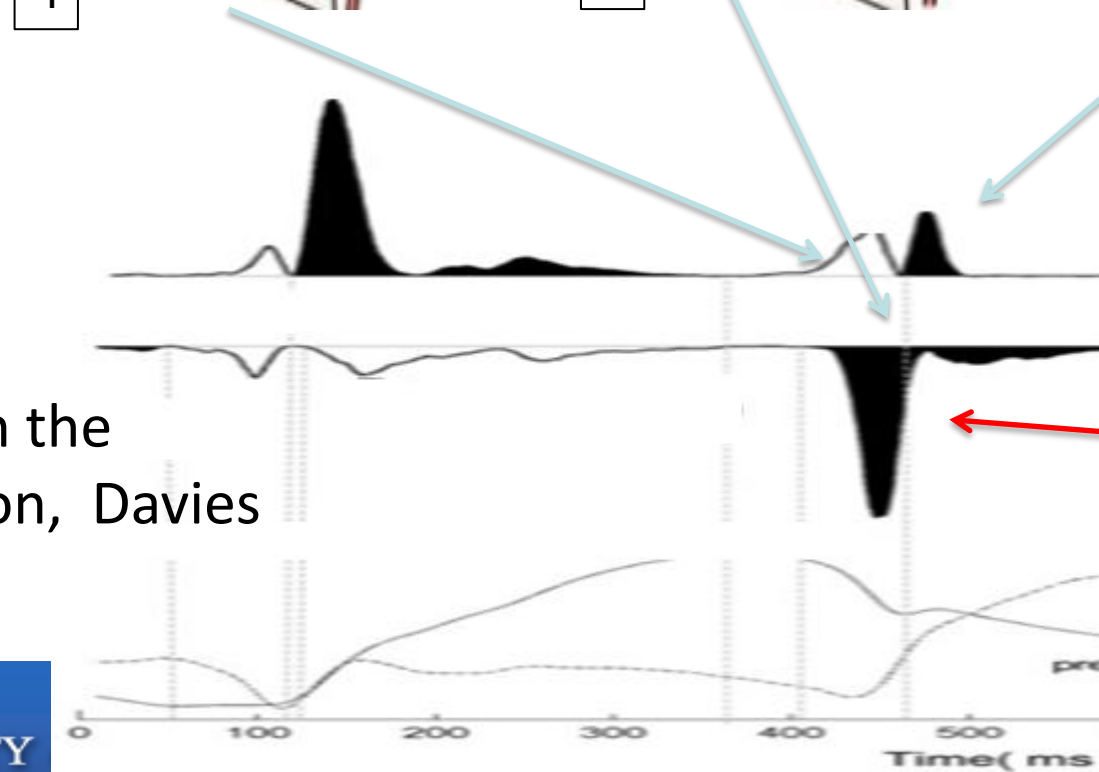
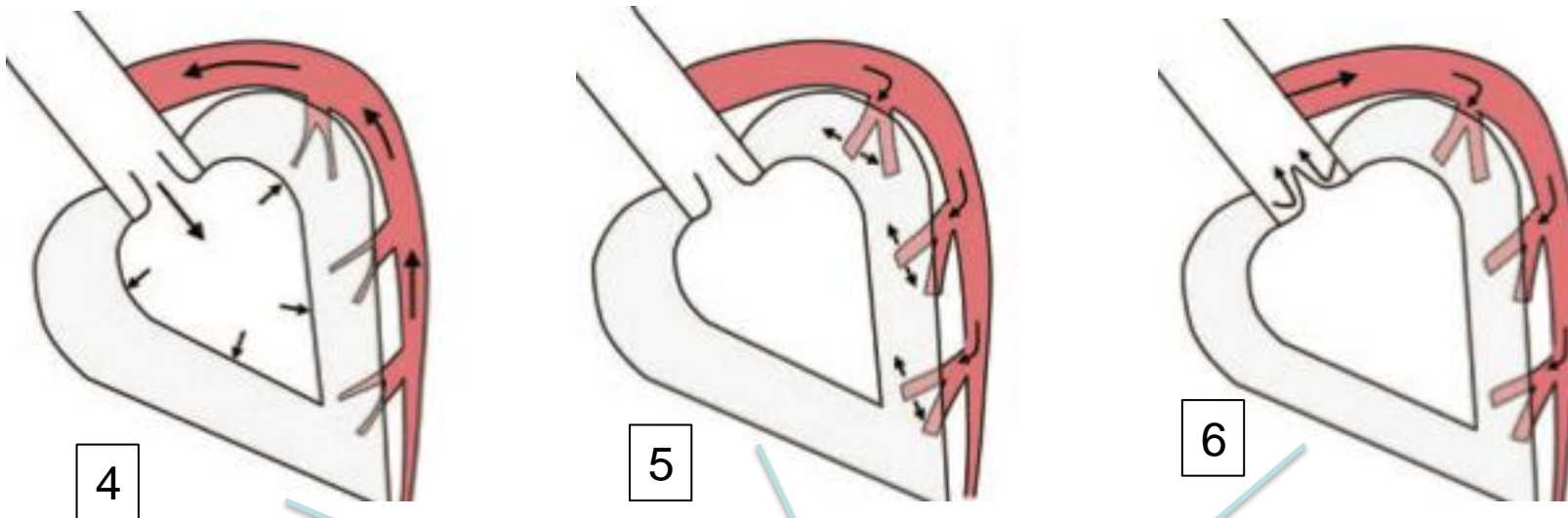
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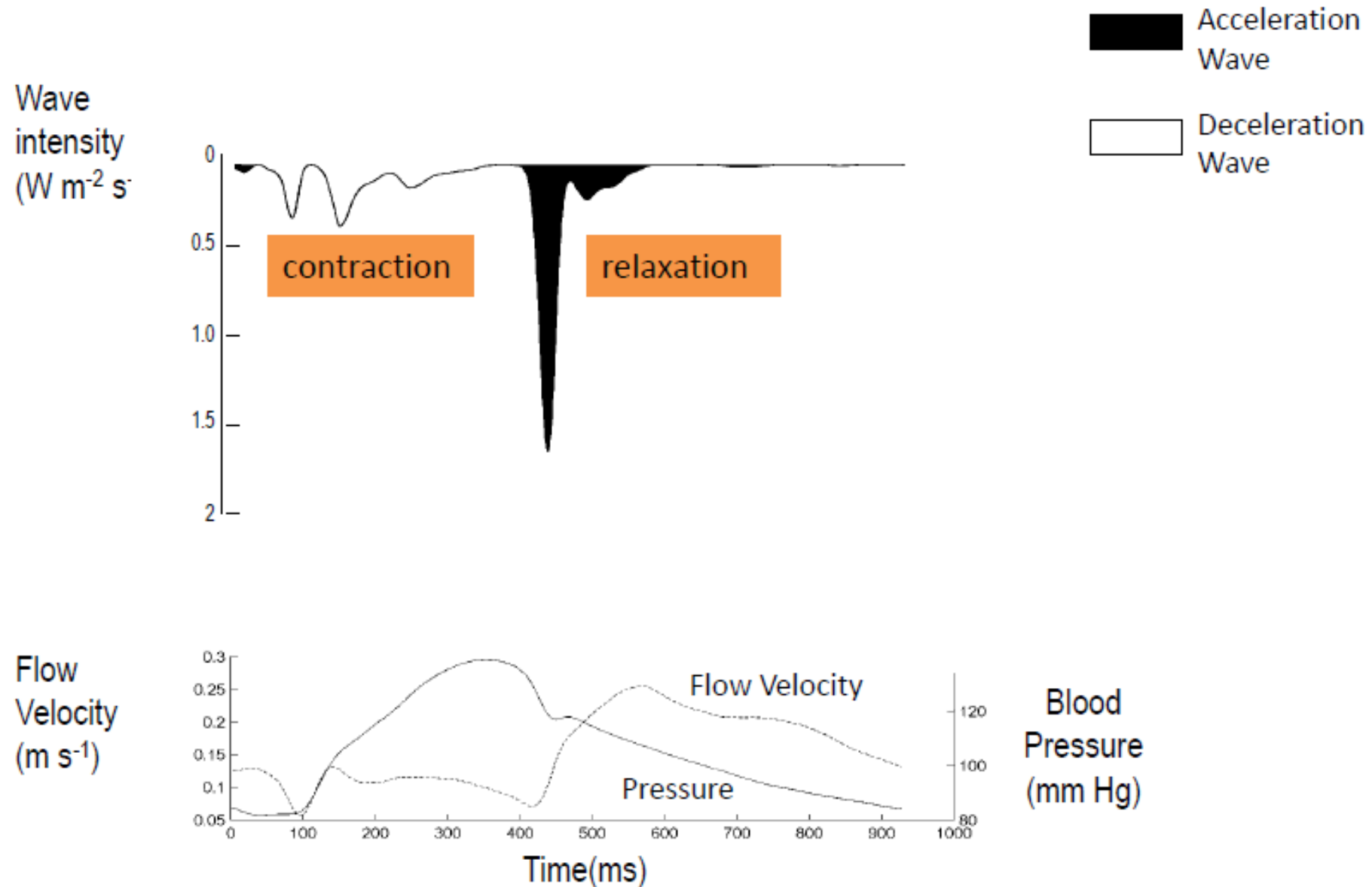




Diastolic backward  
suction wave

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# Microcirculatory originating wave intensity

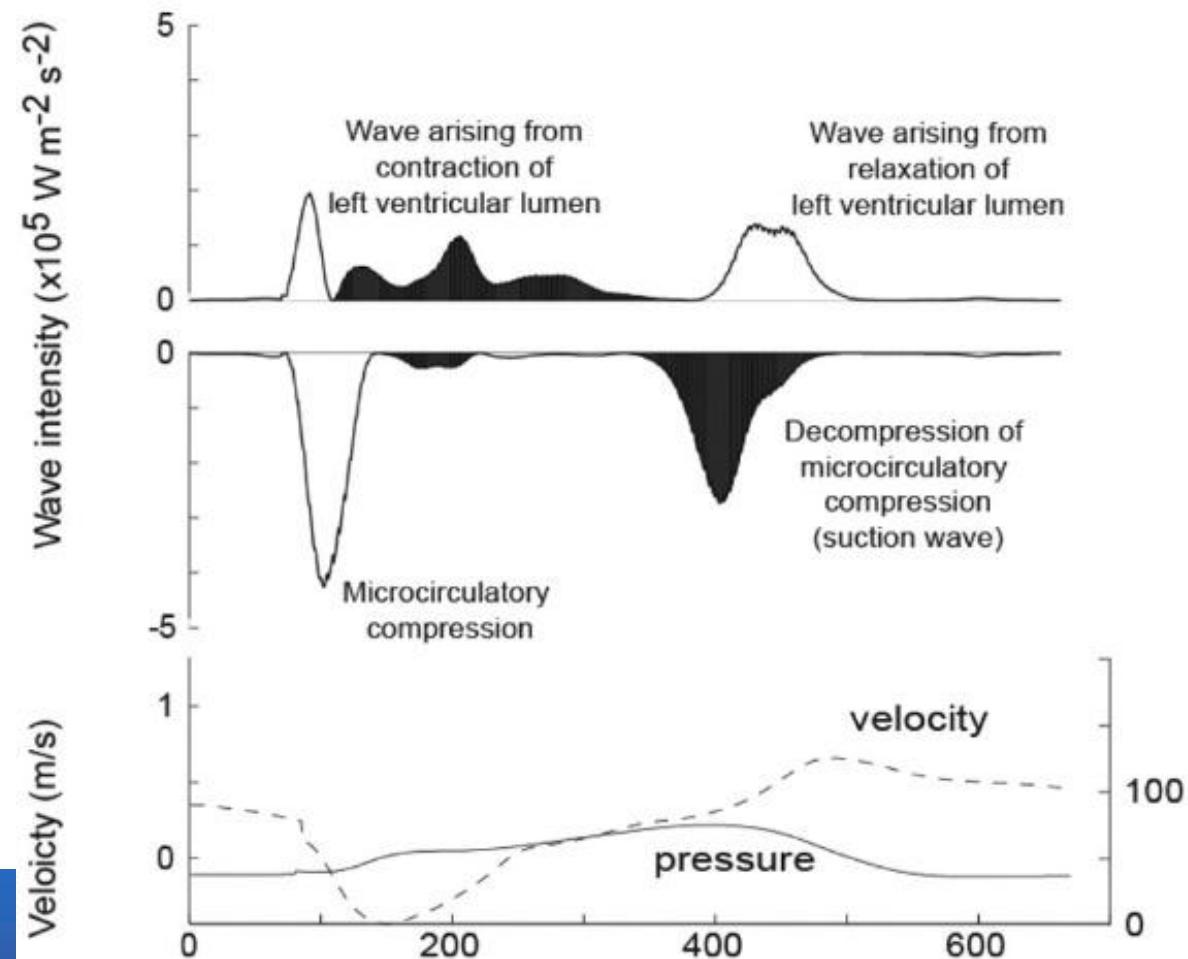




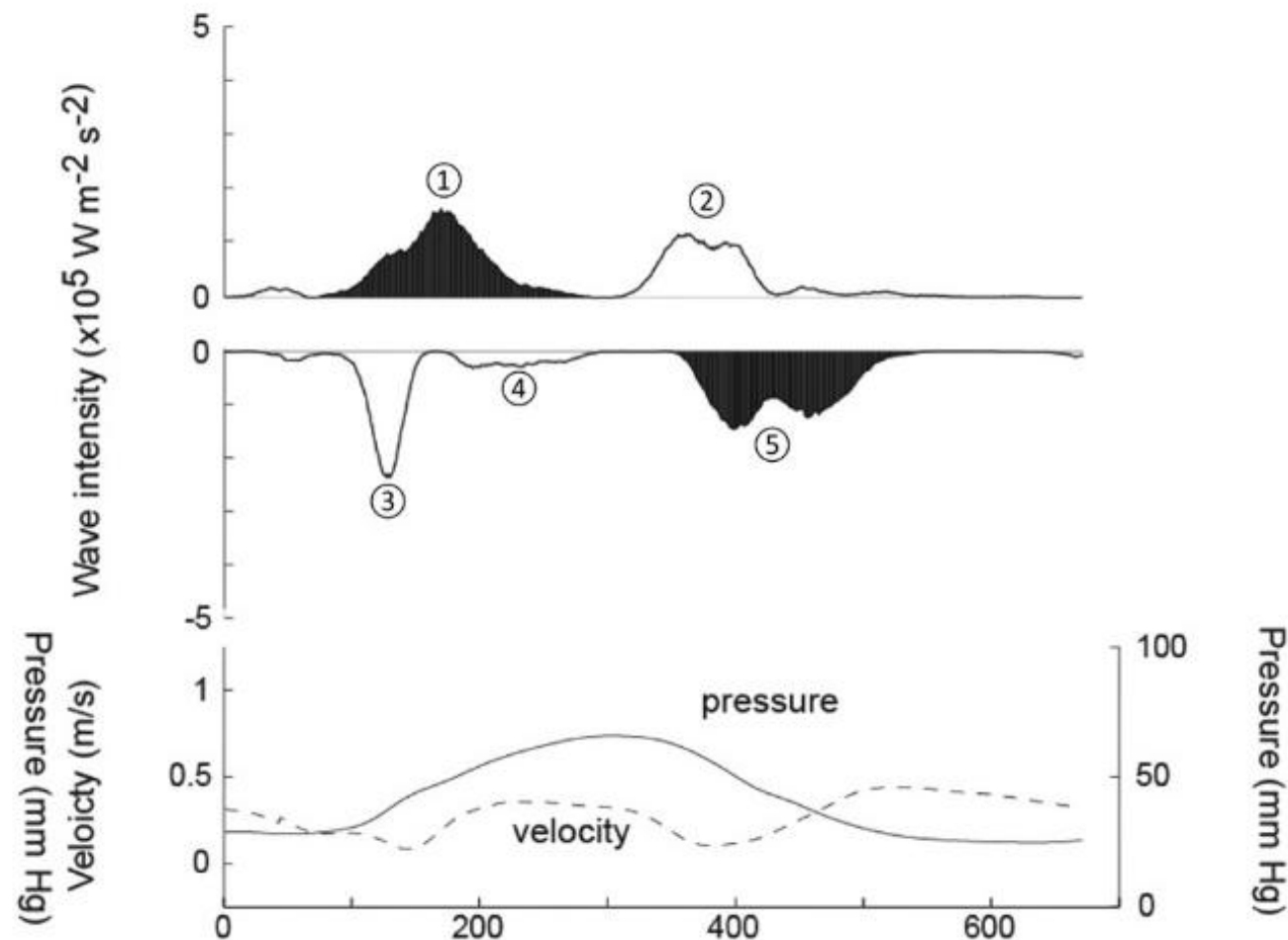
# Changes in coronary wave intensity analysis in a subject with severe aortic stenosis before and after TAVR

Justin E. Davies et al. *Circulation*. 2011;124:1565-1572

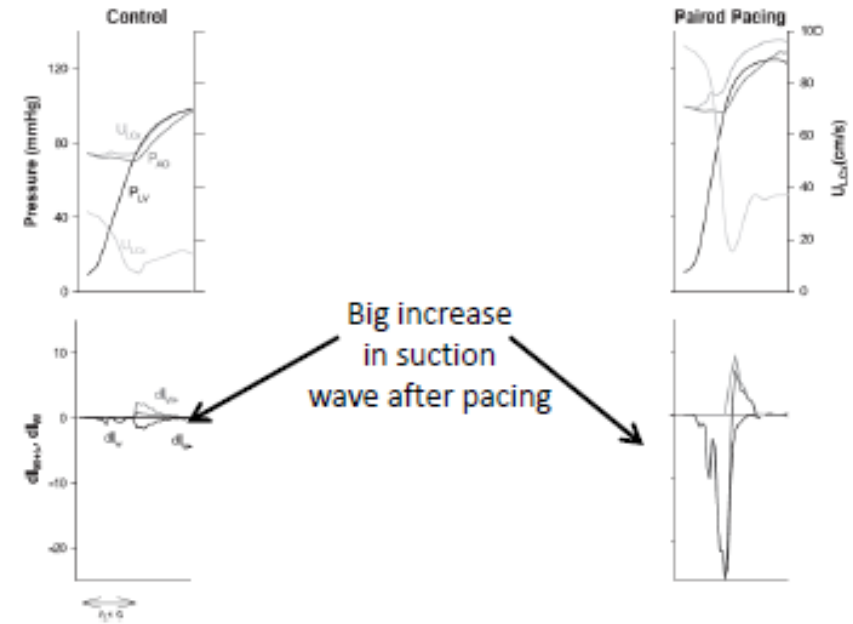
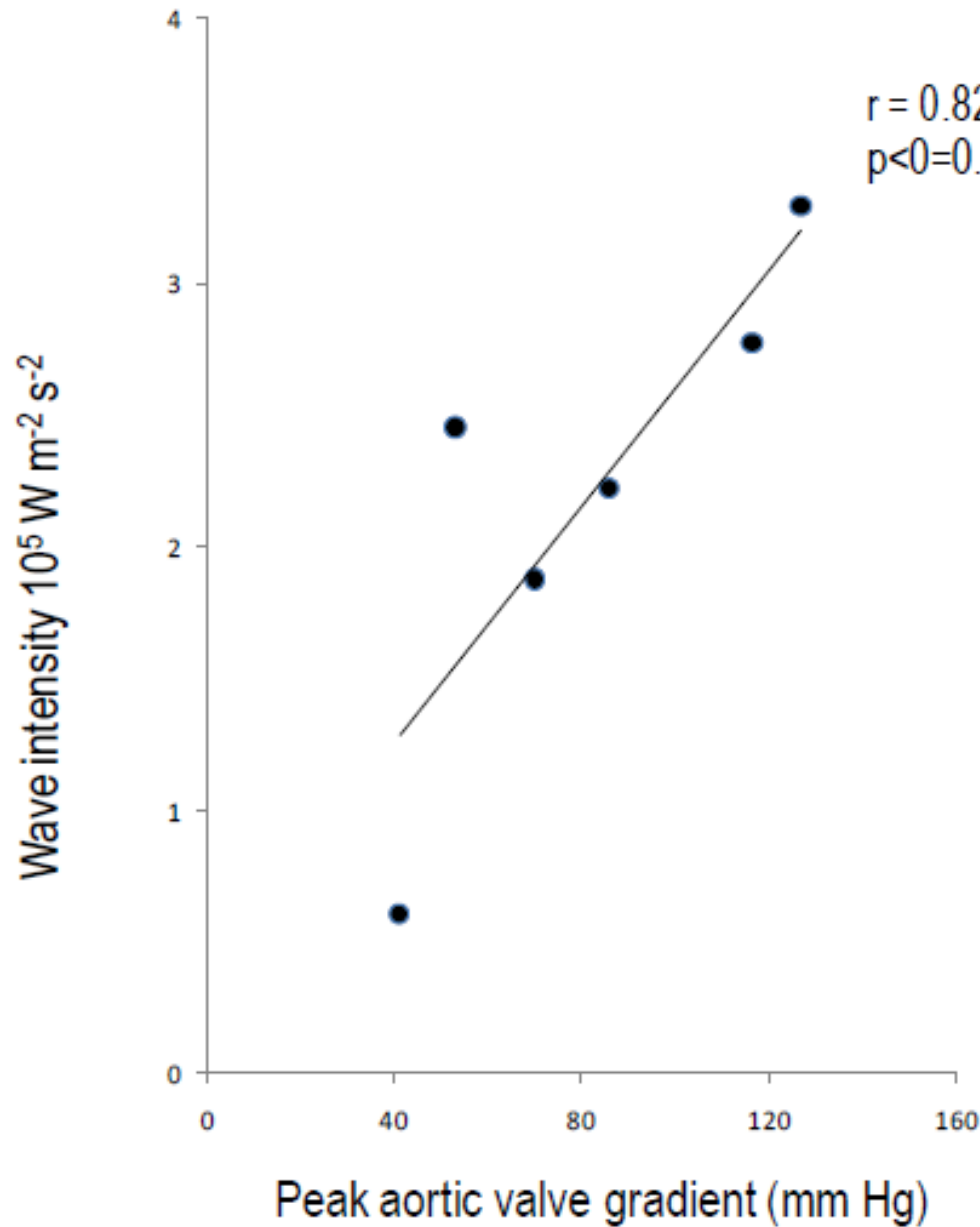
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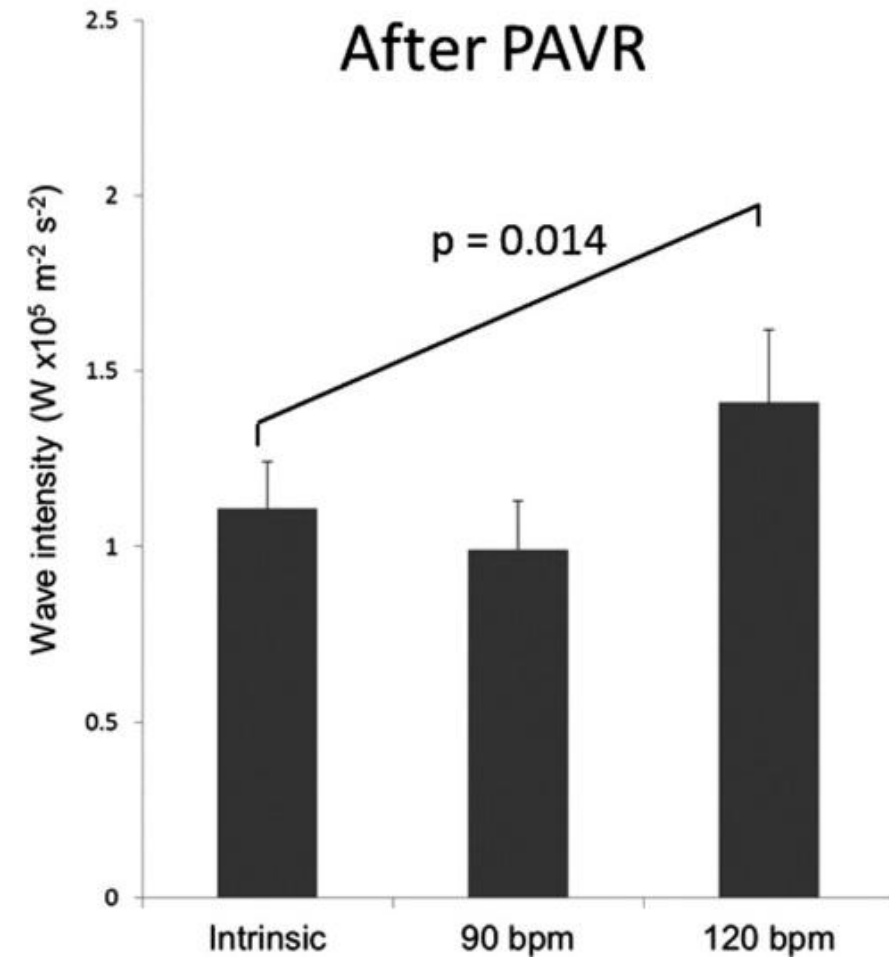
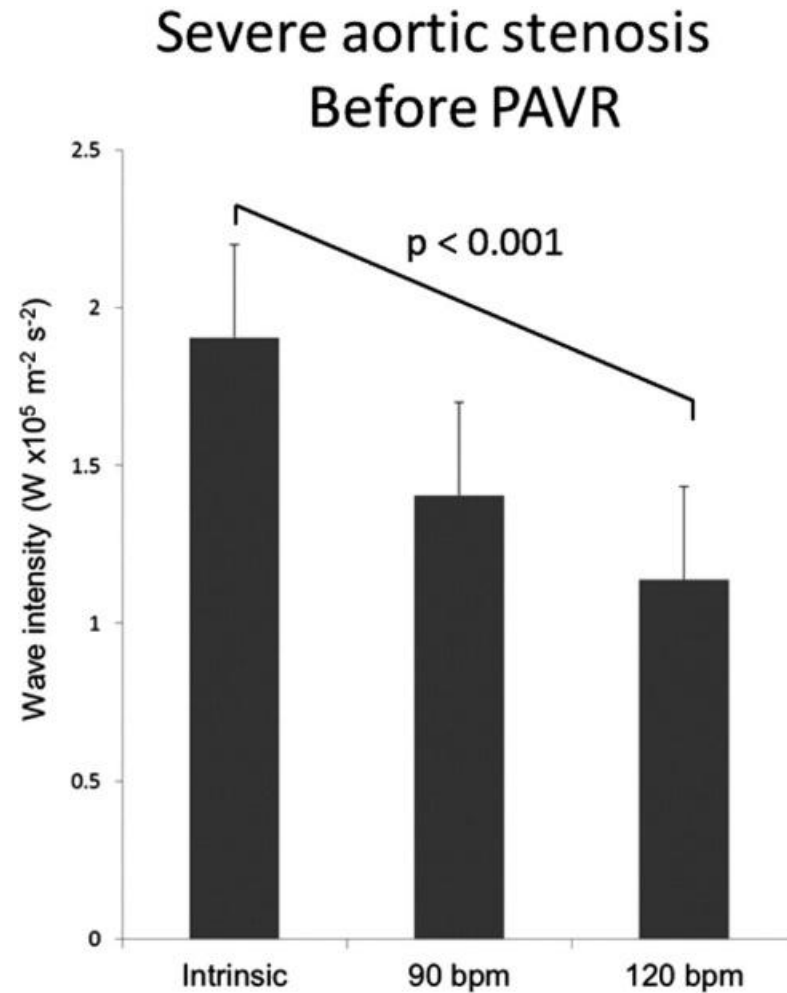
After PAVR



# Increase in suction wave with increasing severity of aortic stenosis



# Improvement in physiological reserve in subjects with aortic stenosis after percutaneous aortic valve replacement (PAVR).



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# Intravenous Adenosine Infusion is Safe and Well Tolerated During Coronary Fractional Flow Reserve Assessment in Severe Aortic Stenosis

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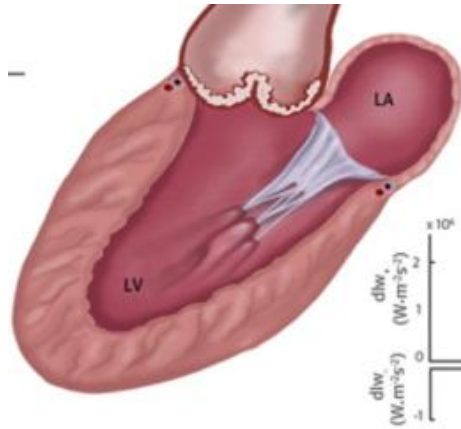
**Table 1. Comparison of Hemodynamic Profiles of Patients with Severe Aortic Stenosis Undergoing Adenosine Infusion for FFR Estimation**

	Baseline	Lowest during Infusion	p-value
Systolic BP (mm Hg)	158.6±26.6	106.4±26.1	<0.01
Diastolic BP (mm Hg)	79.7±12.9	61±11.4	<0.01
MAP (mm Hg)	105.8±15.6	75.5±12.3	<0.01
HR (bpm)	76.5±22.9	59.1±12.5	<0.01

BP=blood pressure; HR=heart rate; MAP = mean arterial pressure; FFR=fractional flow reserve; p<0.05 was considered statically significant

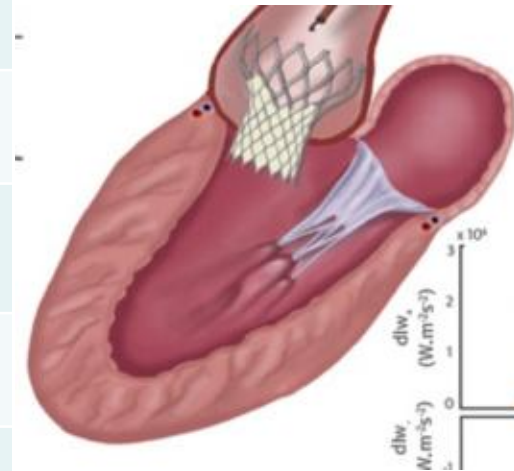
# Postulated Physiologic Changes after TAVR for Lesion Assessment

Aortic Stenosis



	Aortic Stenosis	TAVR
CFR	↓	↑
IMR	↑	↓
Dia Suction Wave	↓	↑
LV Relax	↓	↑
FFR	↑	↓

Post TAVR



Coronary Blood flow in Aortic Valve Disease

FFR and hypertrophy, microvascular dysfunction

Coronary Artery Disease in Valvular Heart Disease

Implications and Future considerations for FFR in  
Valvular HD

