

Do we need both pressure and flow?

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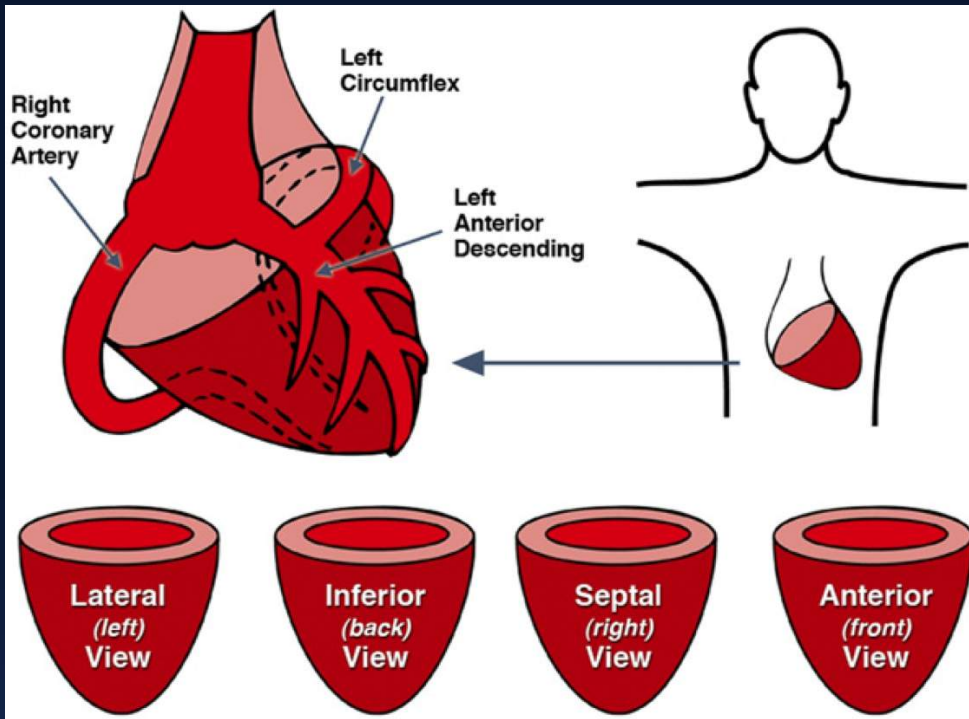
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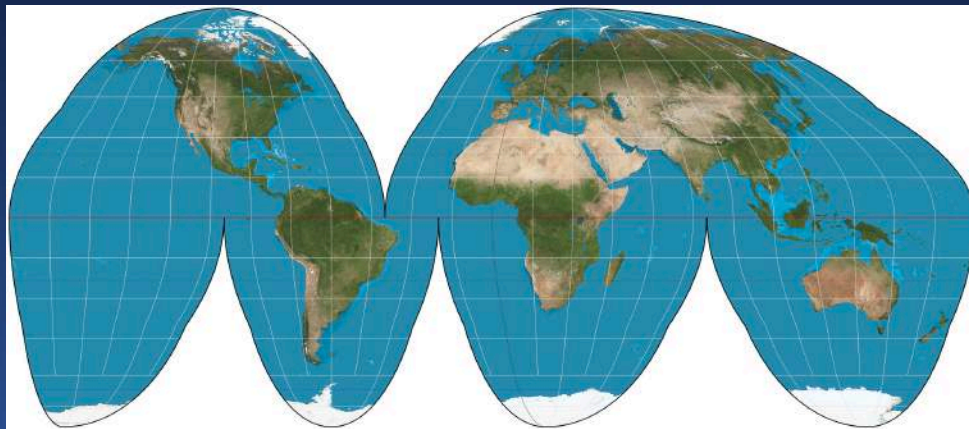
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71 year-old man who presented with abnormal SPECT:

- Modifiable risk factor:
 - Hypertension (treated with beta blocker)
- Symptoms
 - None with typical daily activities
 - Occasional palpitations and non-exertional chest discomfort, but mild and brief
 - Classic but **mild angina once** when digging a ditch in very hot weather
- Workup
 - Unremarkable echocardiogram and Holter
 - Treadmill showed **no angina** but **2mm ST depression** after 6:30 minutes of Bruce protocol
 - SPECT showed **partially reversible inferolateral defect**



Johnson NP, *JACC Cardiovasc Imaging*. 4(9):990, 2011, Figure 1



Wikipedia "Goode homolosine projection"

"topographic"

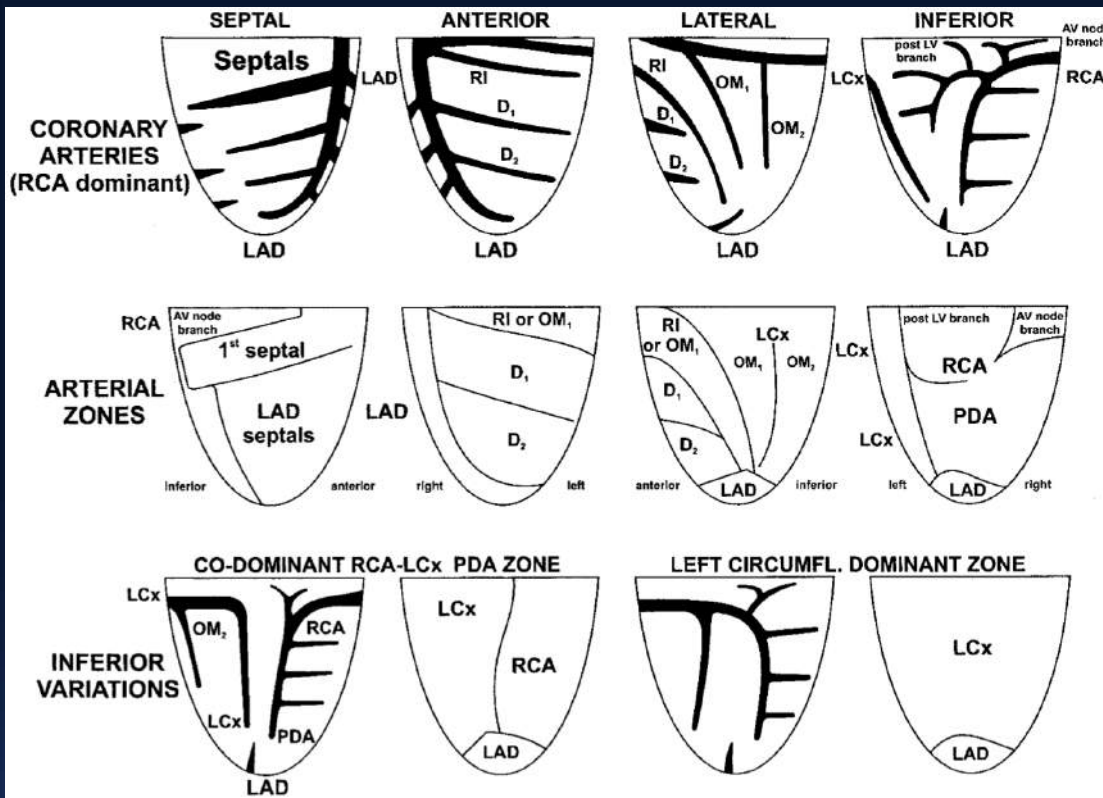
PET map
(3D into 2D)

3D



← make 2D
minimal distortion

http://www.sos.noaa.gov/Education/earth_system.html



Nakagawa Y, *J Nucl Cardiol.* 8(5):580, 2001, Figure 1



normal

mild

>75% max

mild

moderate

50-75% max

moderate

severe

<50% max

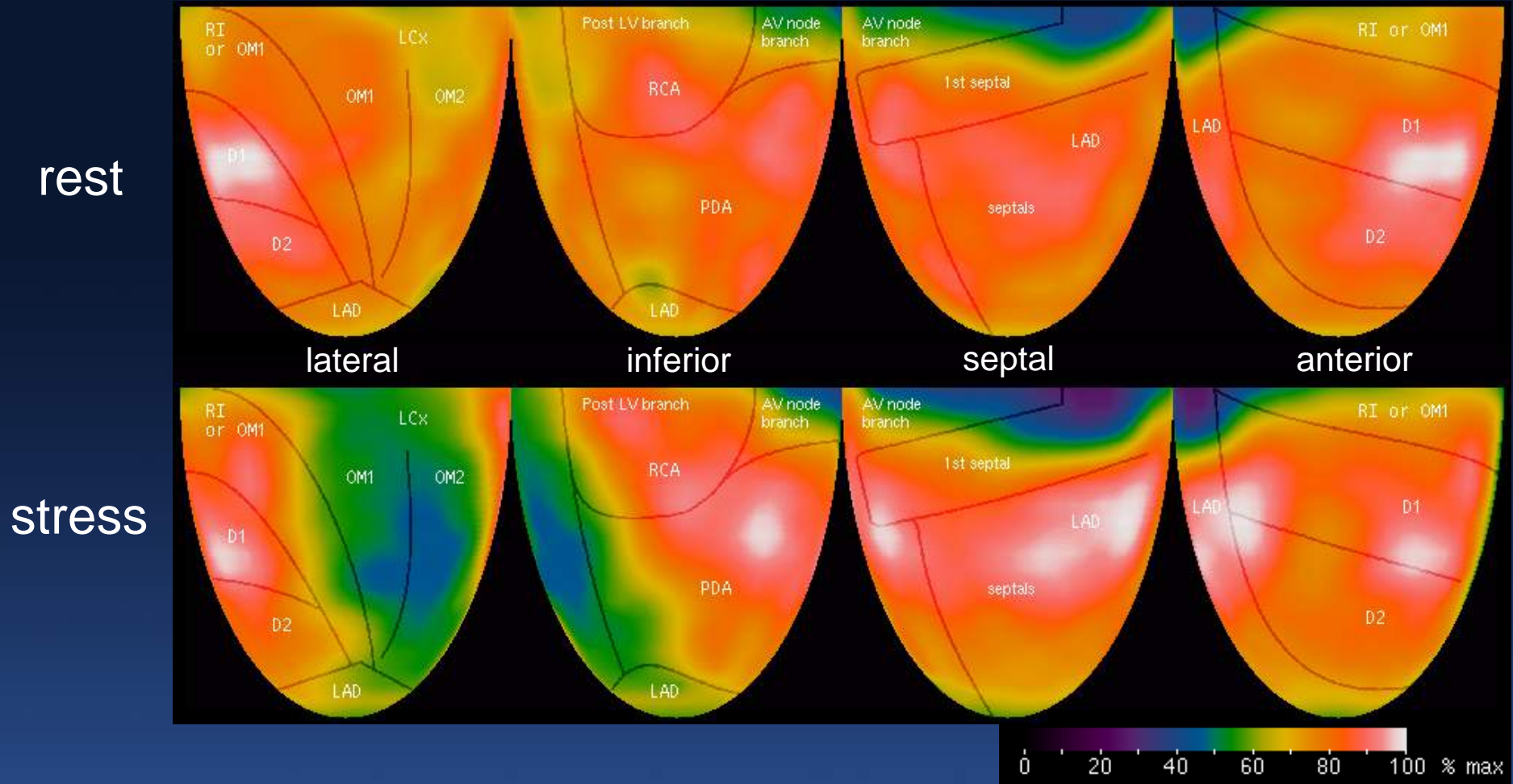
“atlas”

high resolution

“color scheme”

relative uptake

Case. 71 year-old man with one episode of mild angina



Dipyridamole produced no angina
and no significant ST depression

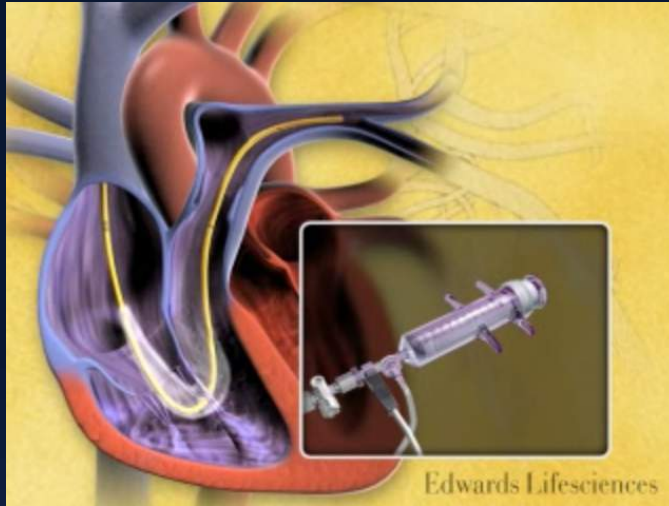
bolus

+

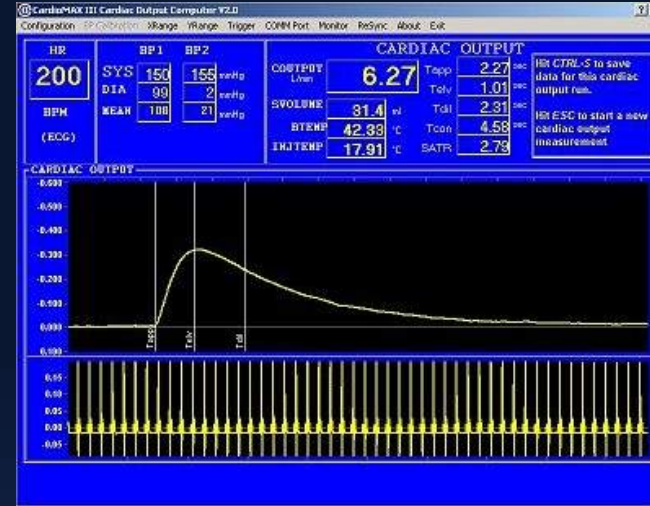
tracking

= *flow*

cath
lab



cold saline



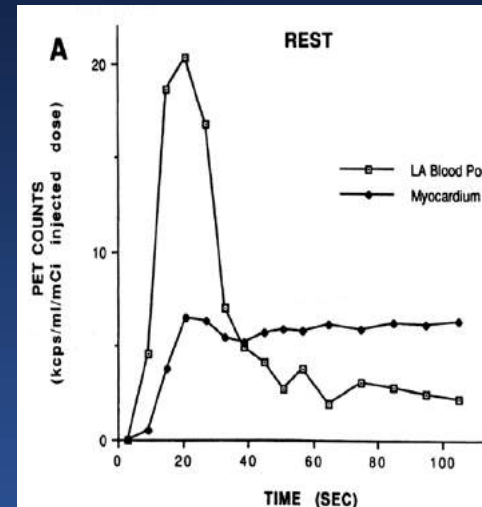
time-temperature curve

L/min
(cardiac
output)

PET
lab



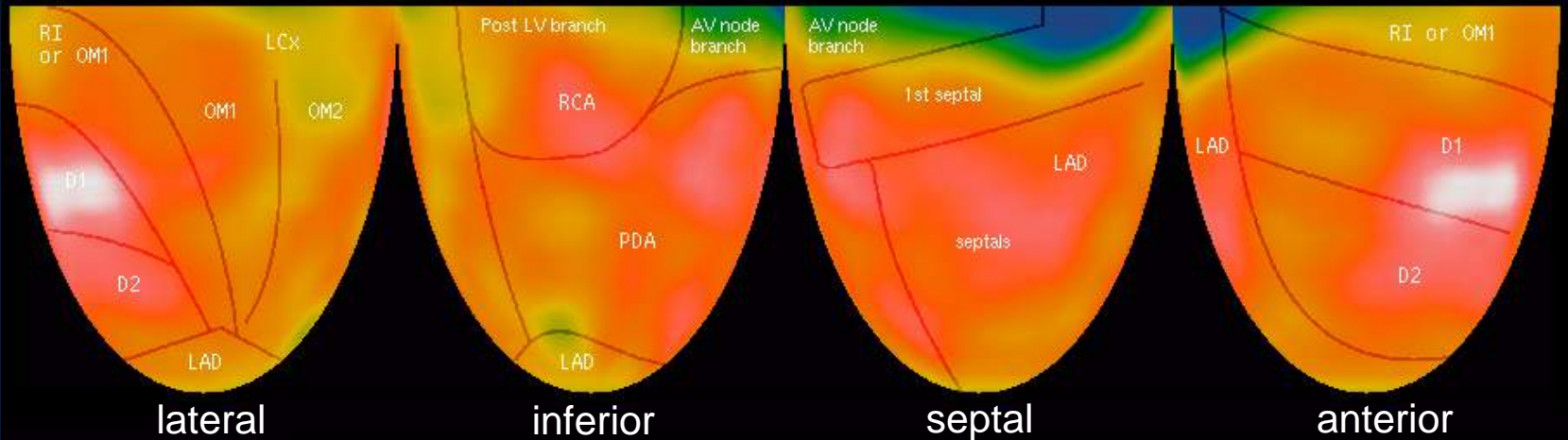
“hot” radiotracer



time-activity curve

cc/min/gm
(myocardial
perfusion)

rest



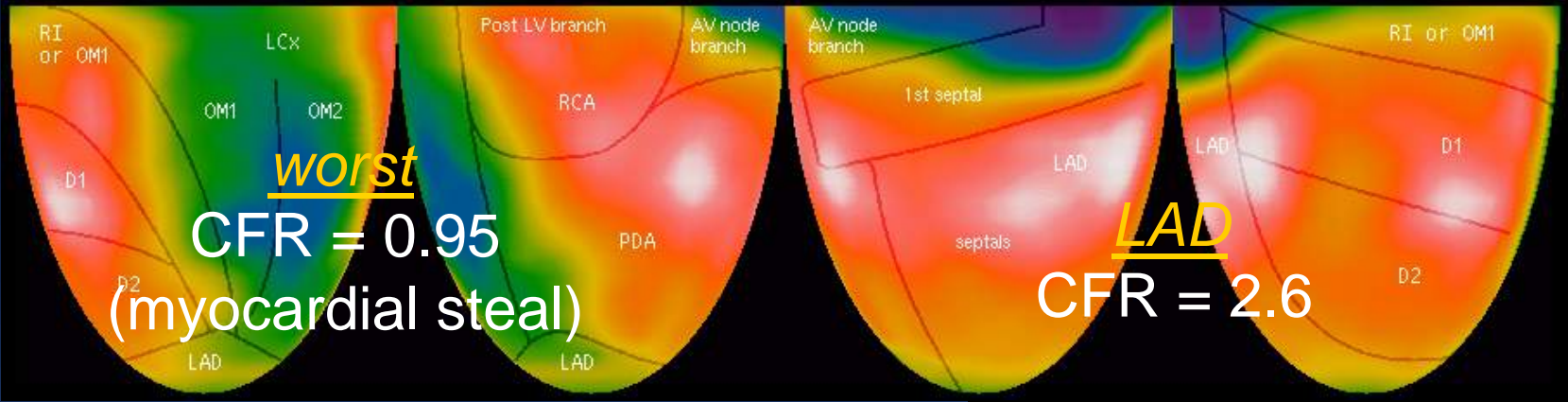
lateral

inferior

septal

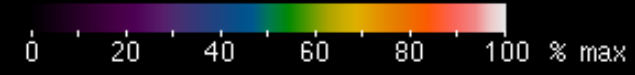
anterior

stress



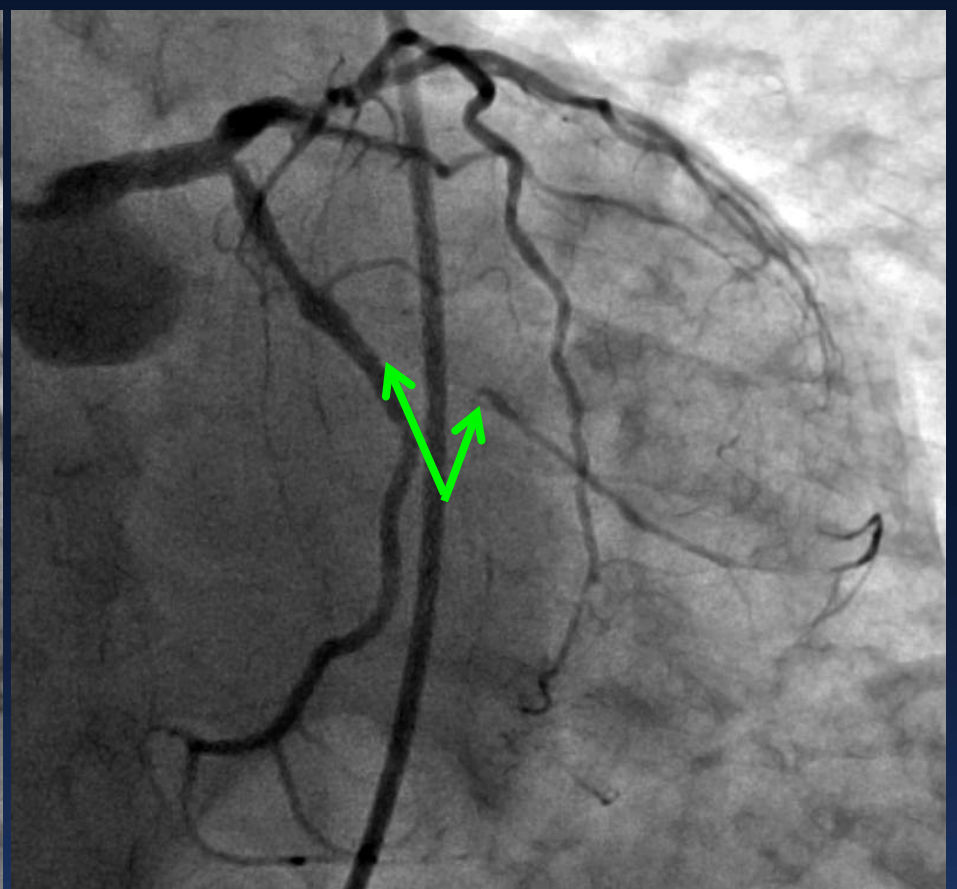
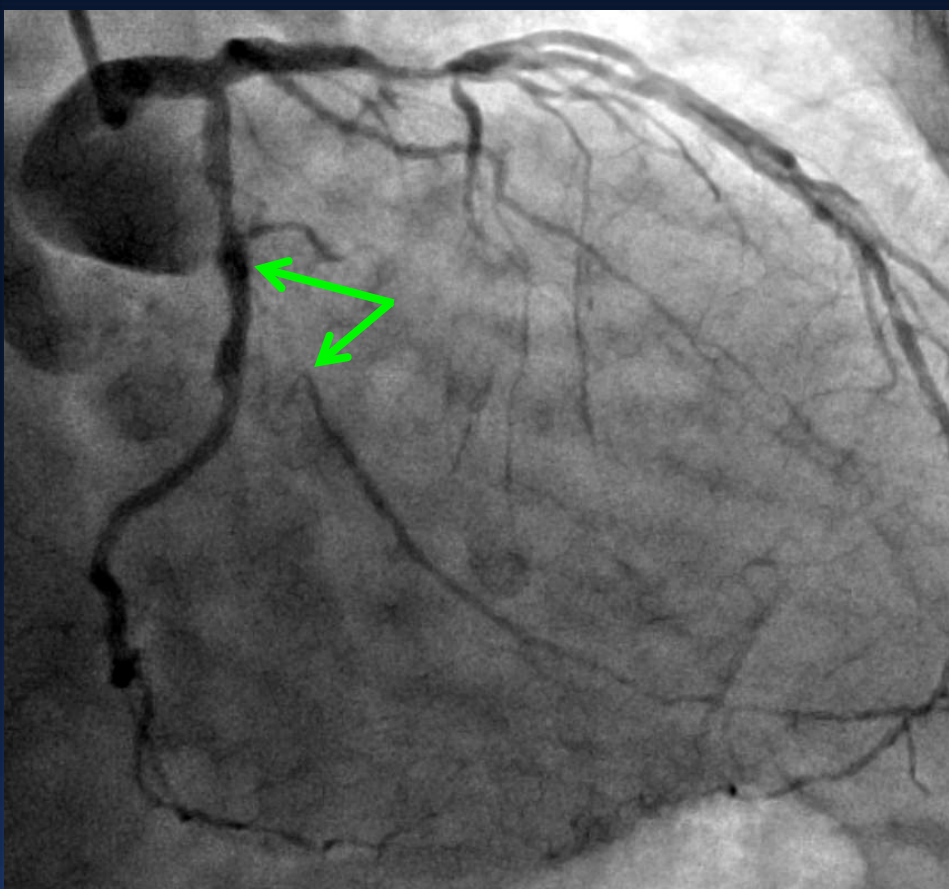
worst
CFR = 0.95
(myocardial steal)

LAD
CFR = 2.6



PET “physiology-gram”:

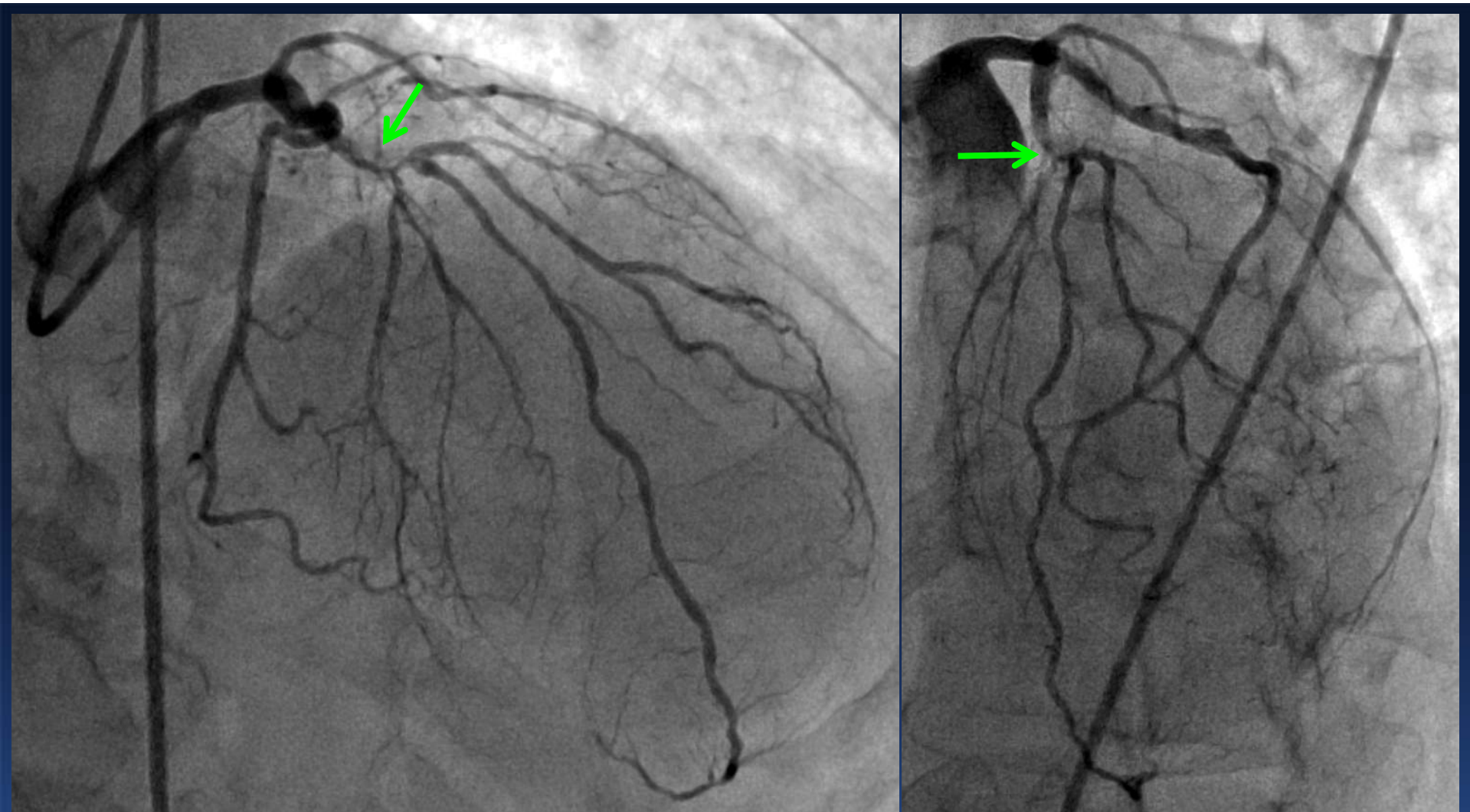
- CFR < 1 in OM1/OM2 distribution implies total occlusion supplied by collaterals
- CFR = 2.6 in LAD distribution



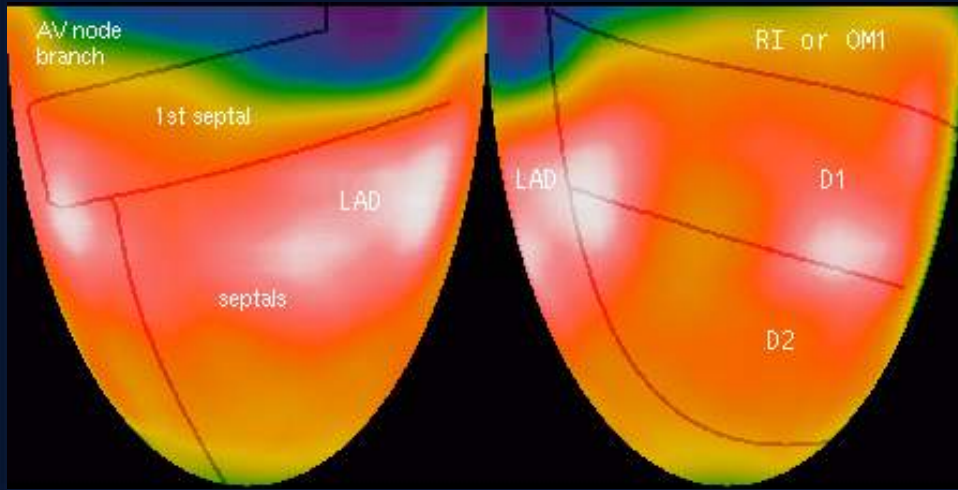
Total occlusion of large OM branch
supplied by collaterals



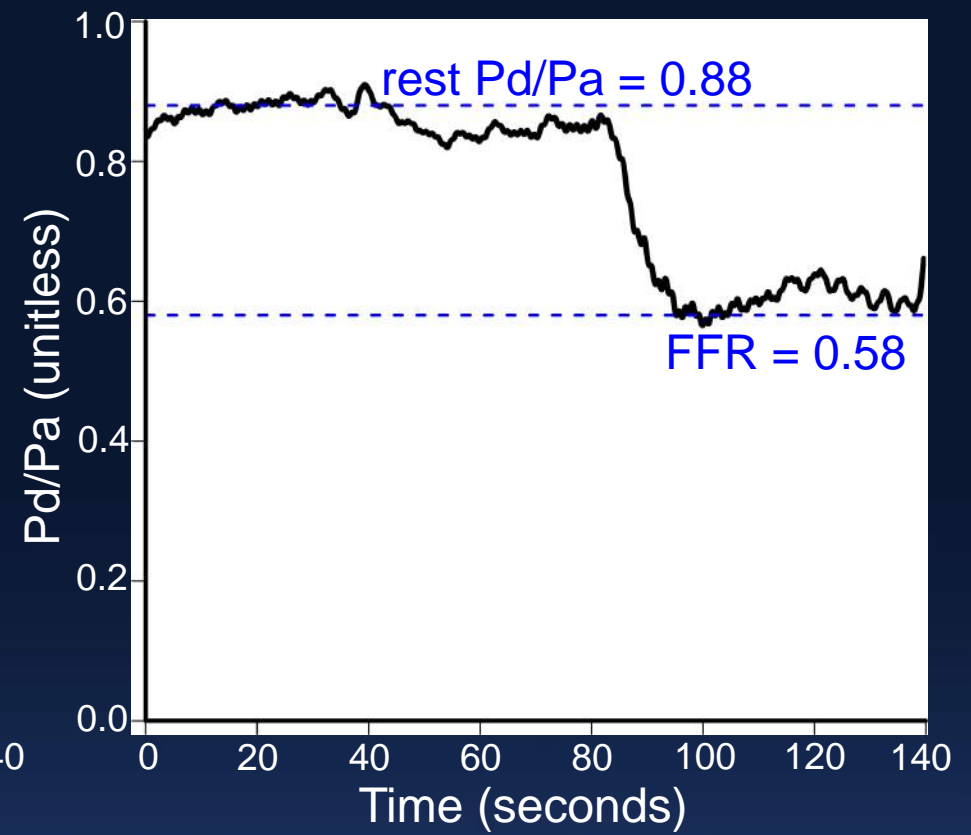
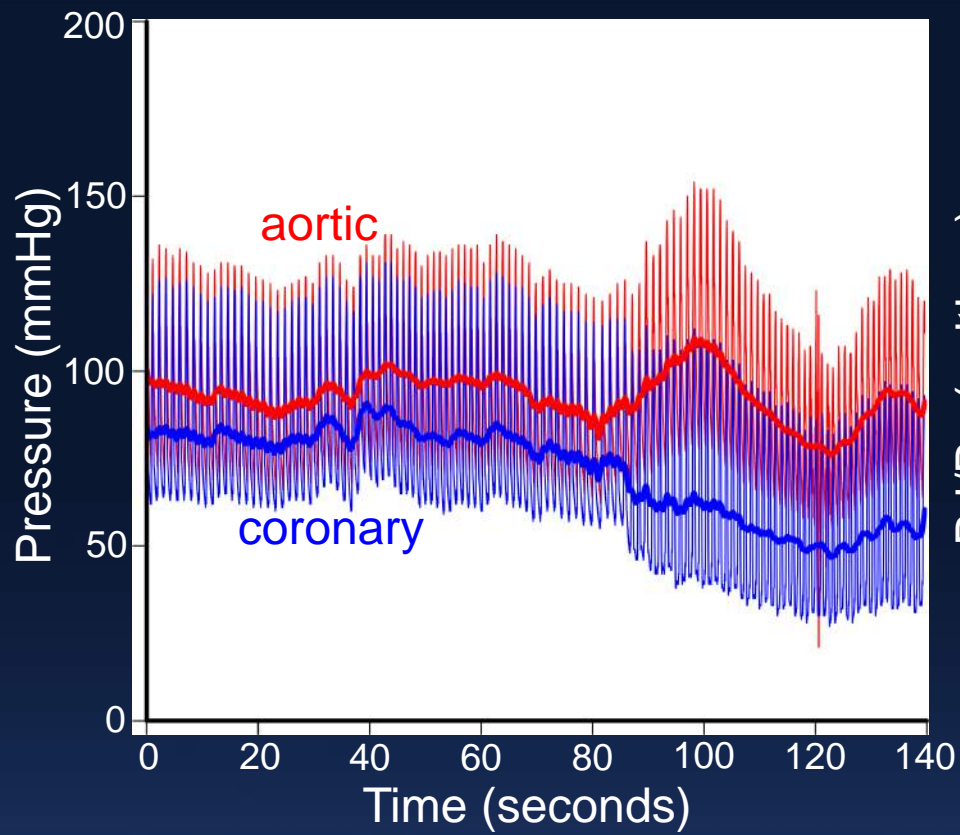
Small caliber, codominant RCA
with mid lesion

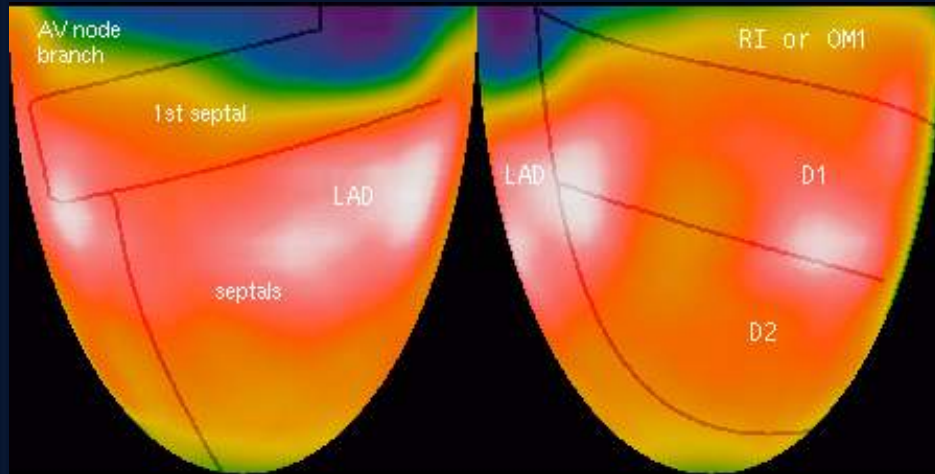


Calcified trifurcation lesion in mid LAD

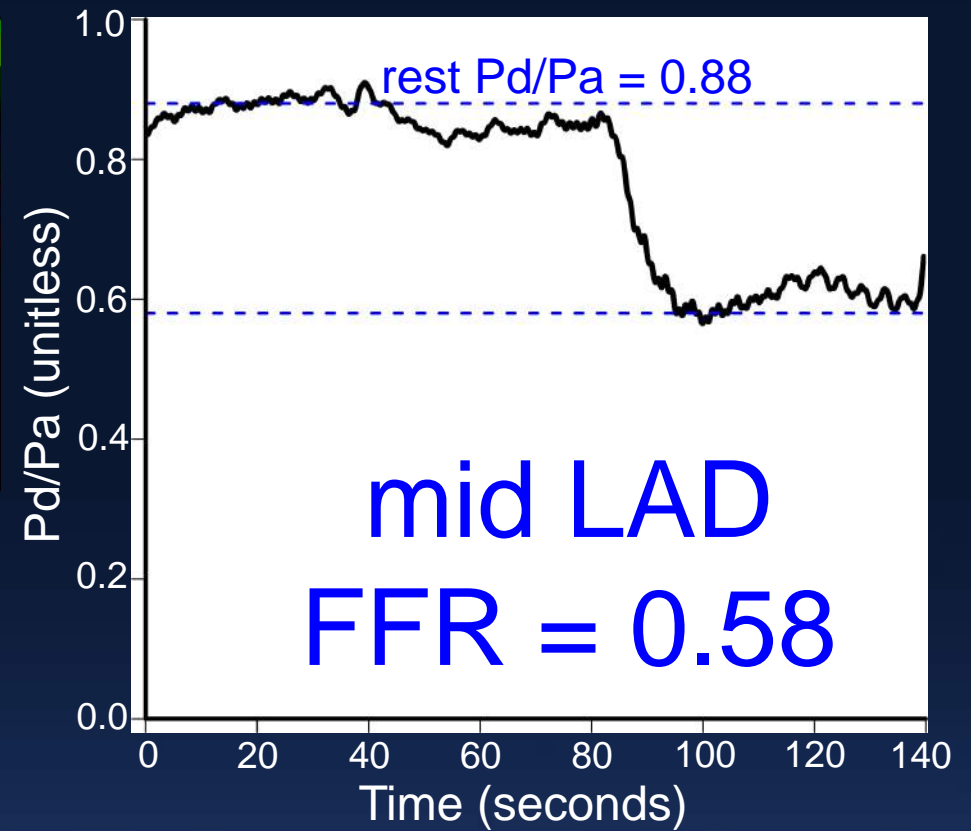


PET: LAD
CFR = 2.6





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CFR = 2.6

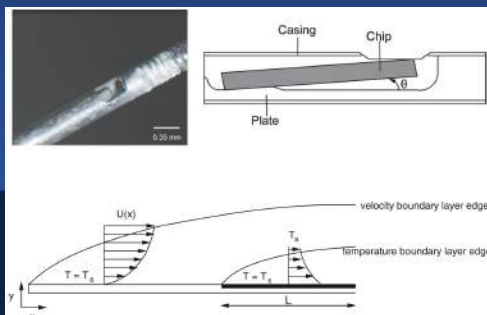
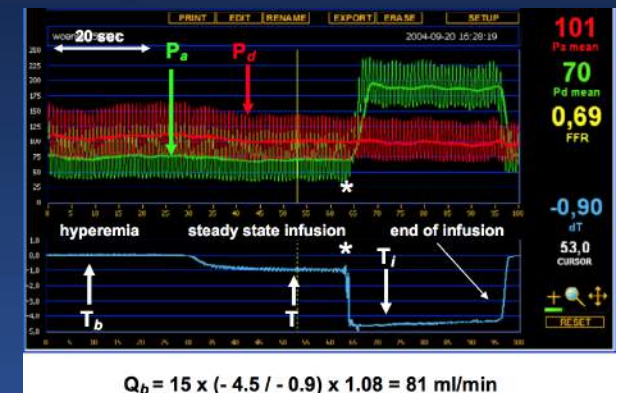
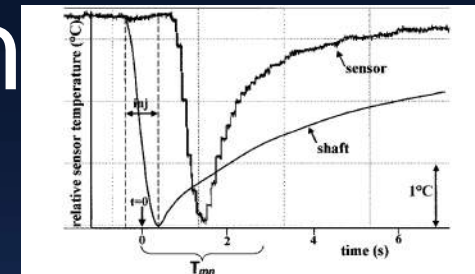
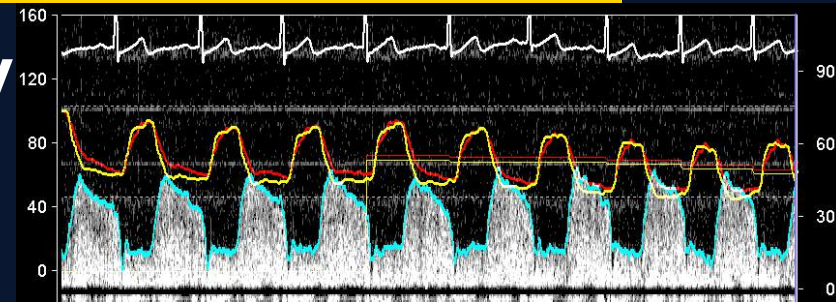


discordance

CFR > 2.0 FFR ≤ 0.8

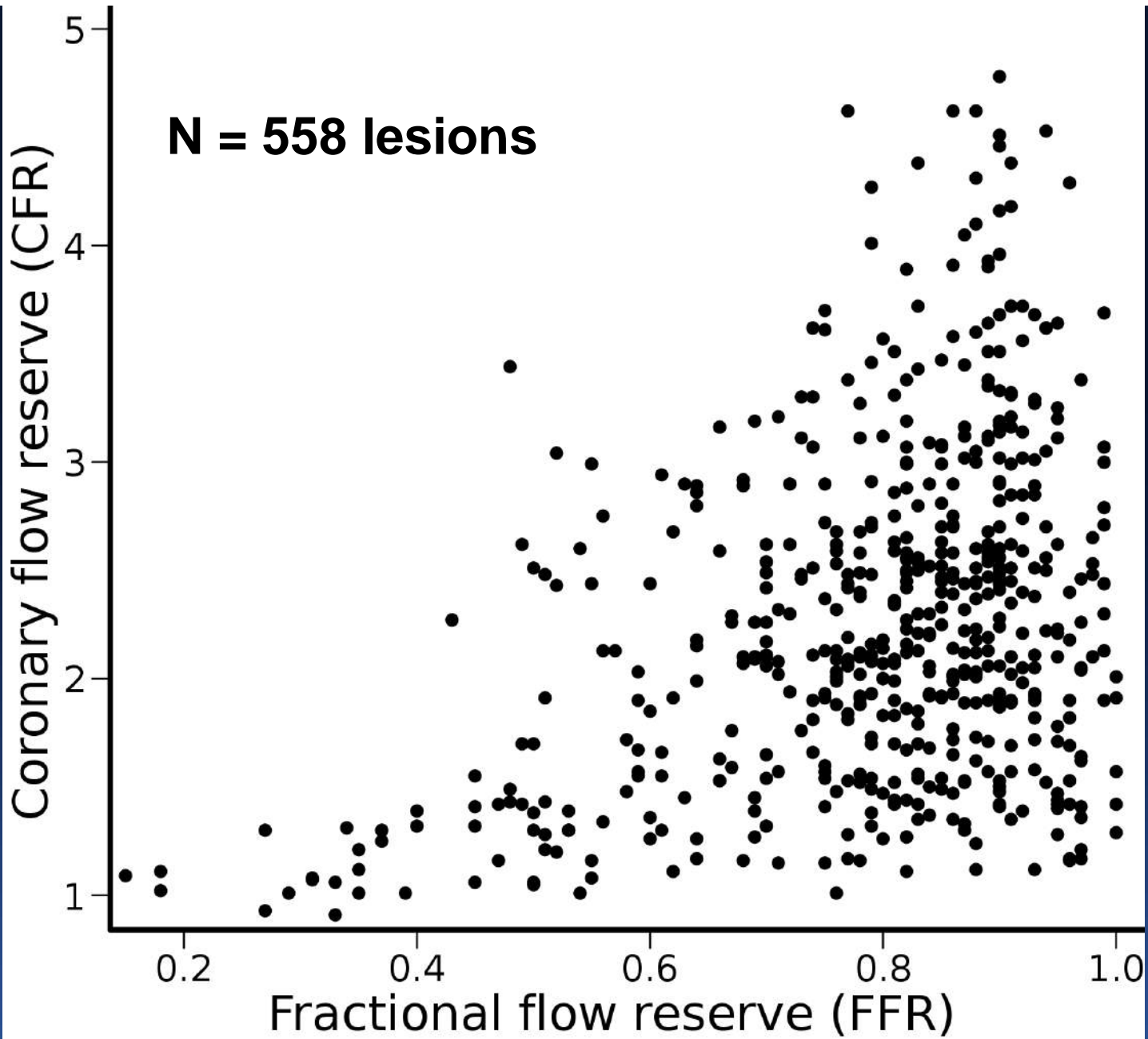
Invasive tools to estimate flow

- Doppler velocity
- Bolus thermodilution
- Continuous thermodilution
- Thermal anemometry



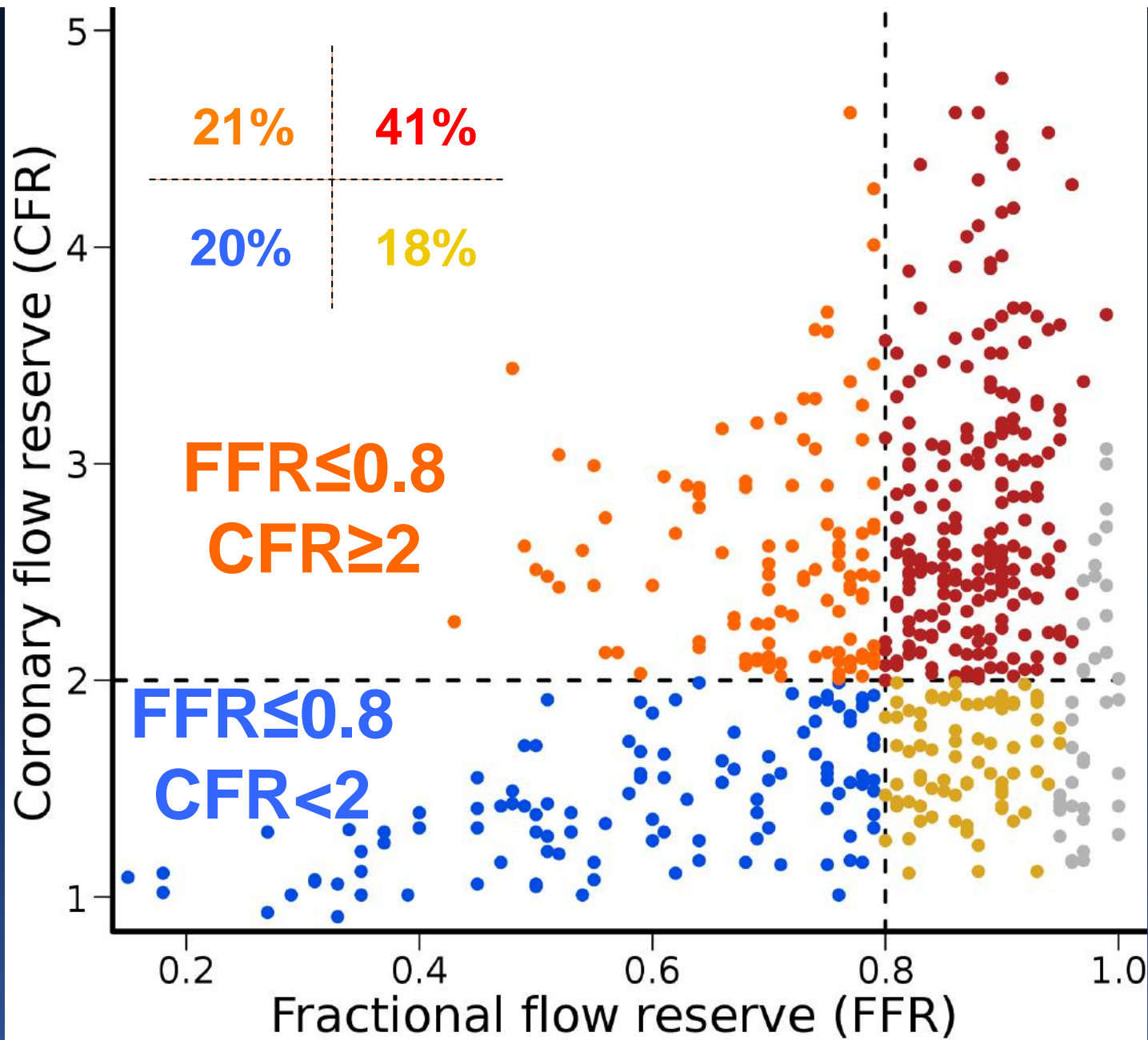
Pijls NH, *Circulation*. 105(21):2482, 2002, Figure 2
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 van der Horst A, *Med Eng Phys*. 33(6):684, 2011, Figures 1 and 2

Invasive Doppler velocity wire

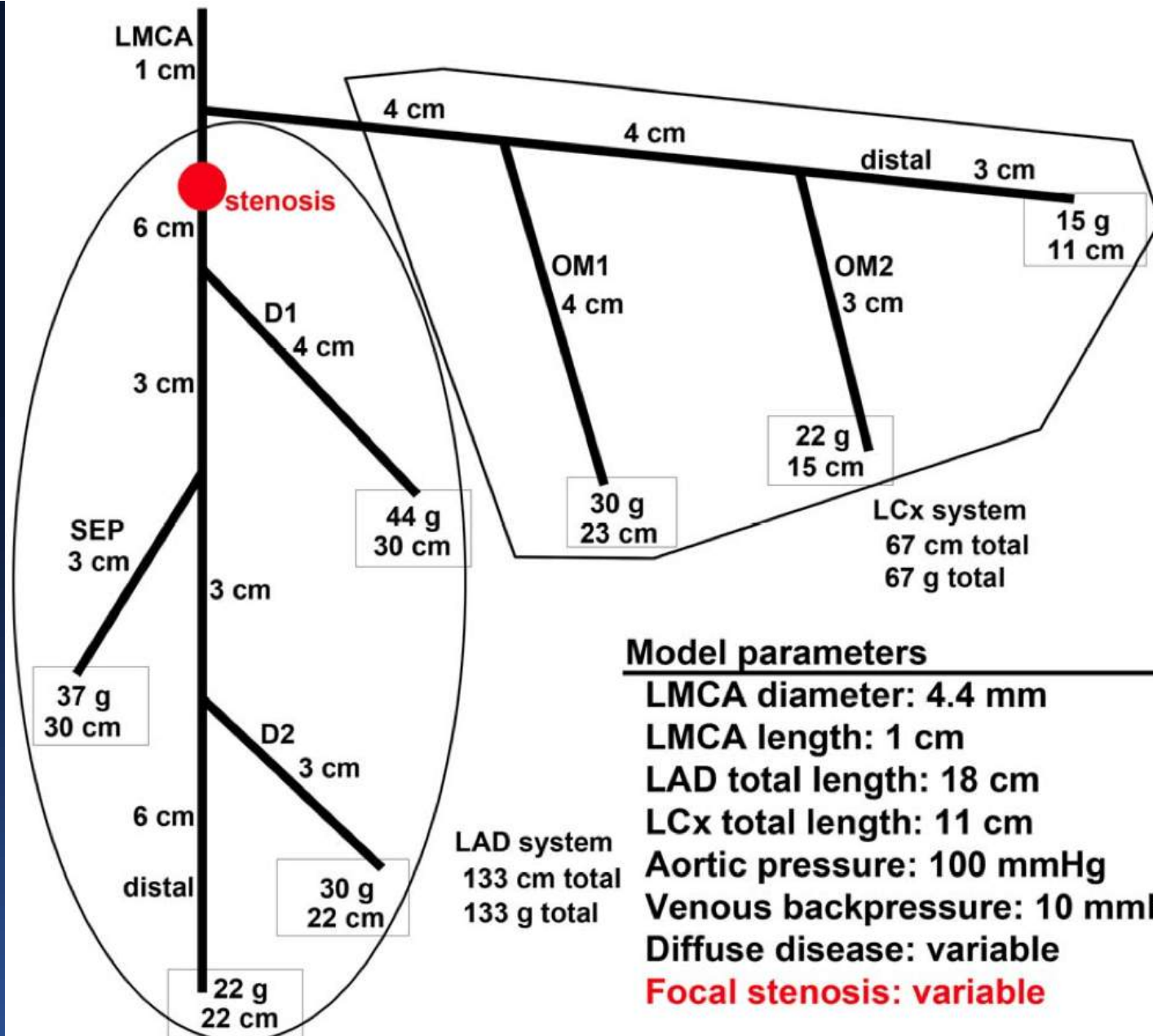


Based on Johnson NP, *JACC Cardiovasc Imaging*. 5(2):193, 2012, Figure 1 (plus 120 new lesions)

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Model parameters

LMCA diameter: 4.4 mm

LMCA length: 1 cm

LAD total length: 18 cm

LCx total length: 11 cm

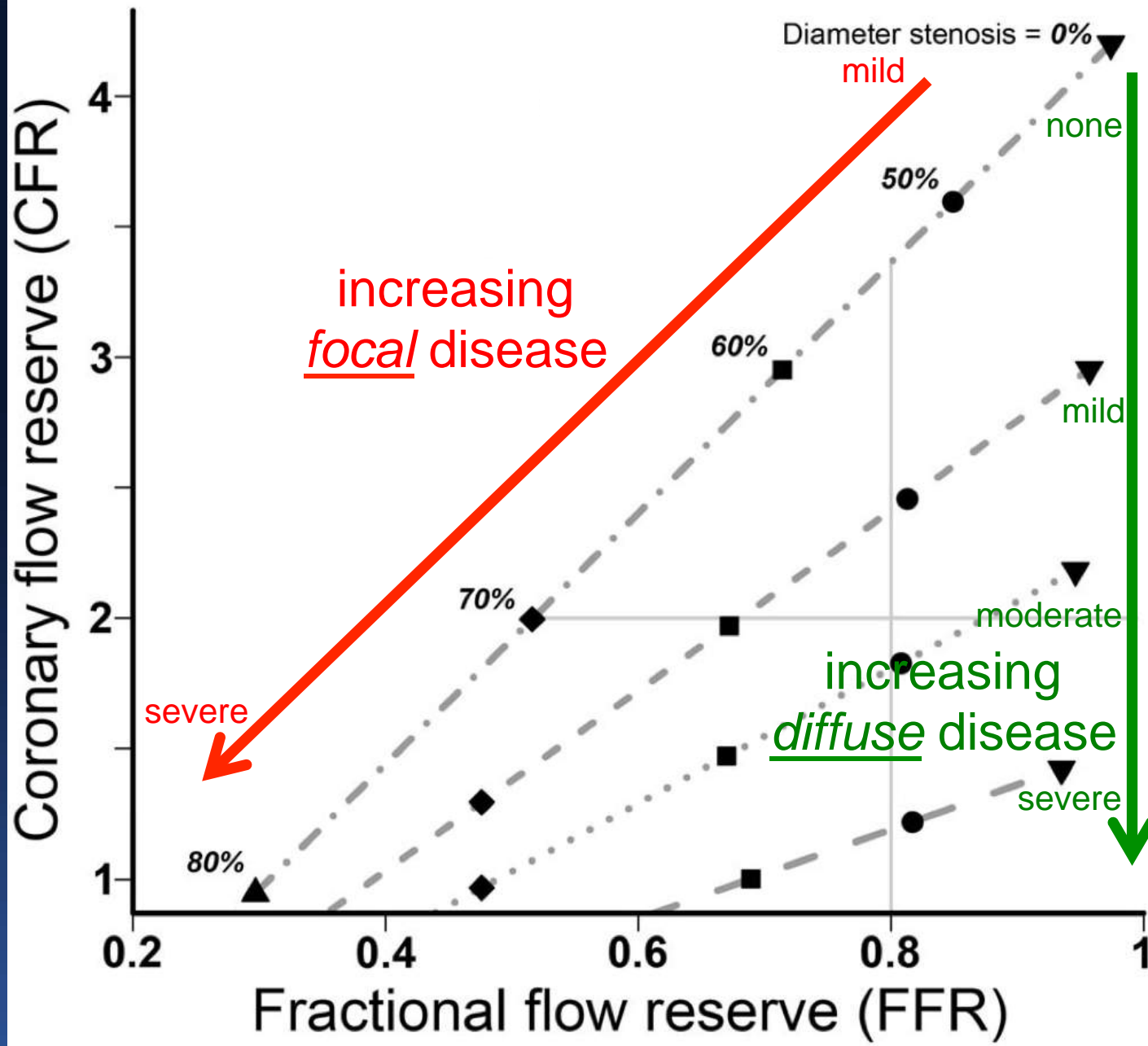
Aortic pressure: 100 mmHg

Venous backpressure: 10 mmHg

Diffuse disease: variable

Focal stenosis: variable

Johnson NP, *JACC Cardiovasc Imaging*. 5(2):193, 2012, Supplement Figure F1



Johnson NP, JACC Cardiovasc Imaging. 5(2):193, 2012, Supplement Figure F2

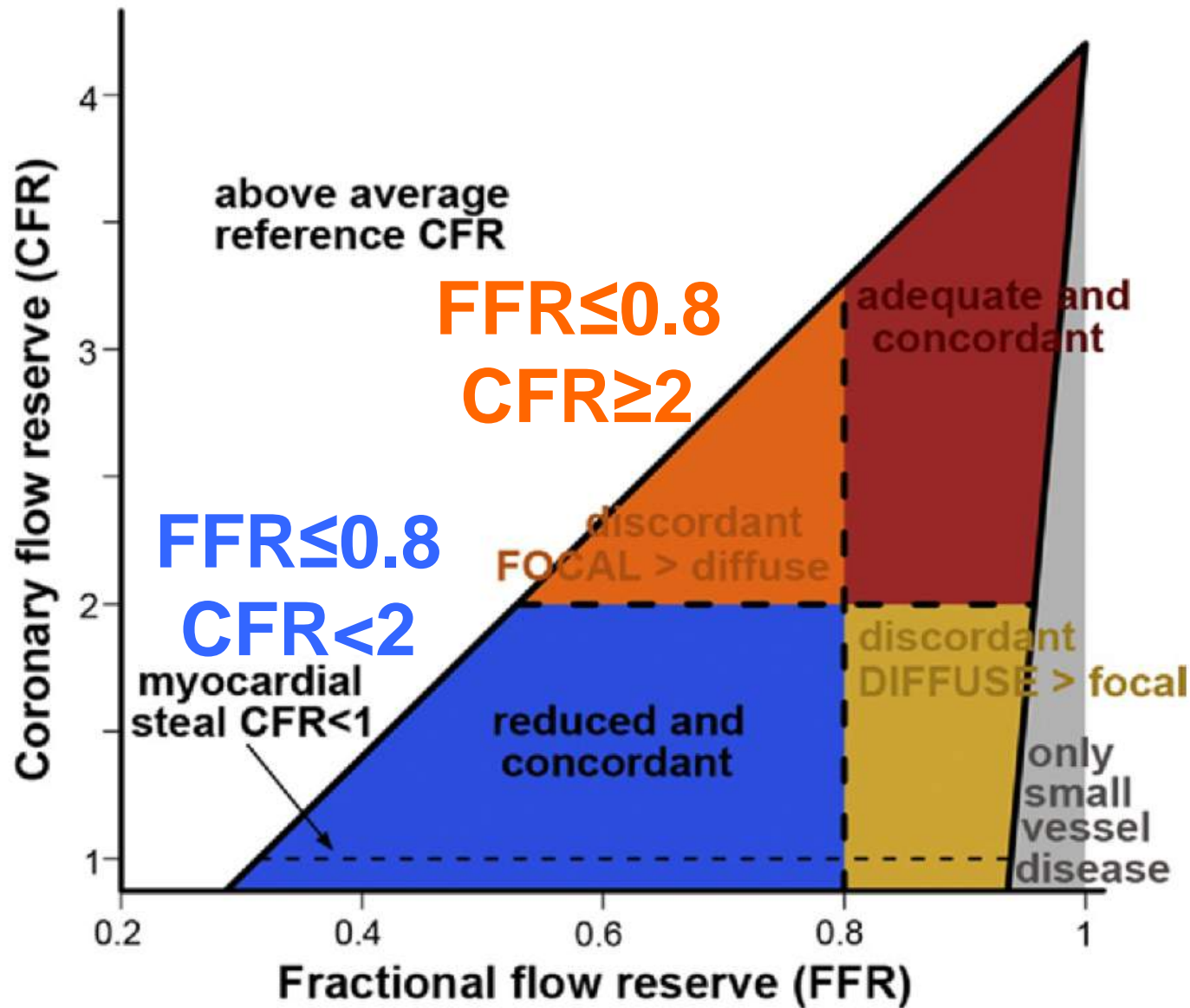
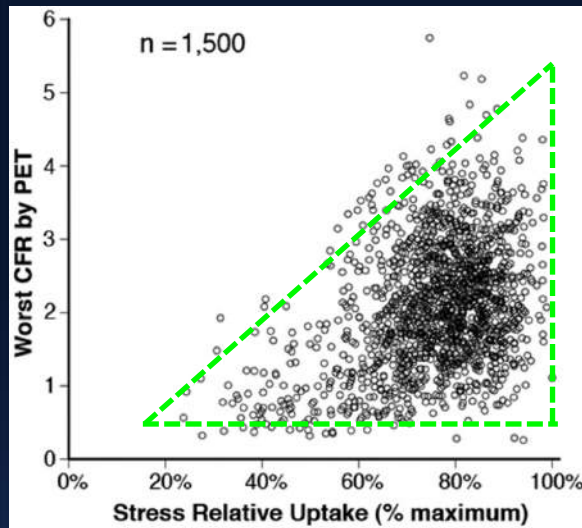


Figure 3. Conceptual Plot of CFR and Fractional Flow Reserve Regions

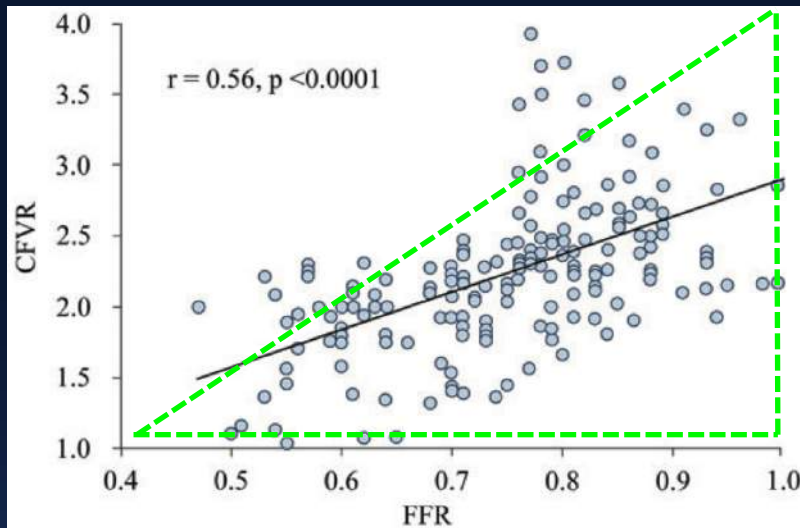
Johnson NP, *JACC Cardiovasc Imaging*. 5(2):193, 2012, Figure 3

Universal CFR/FFR triangle



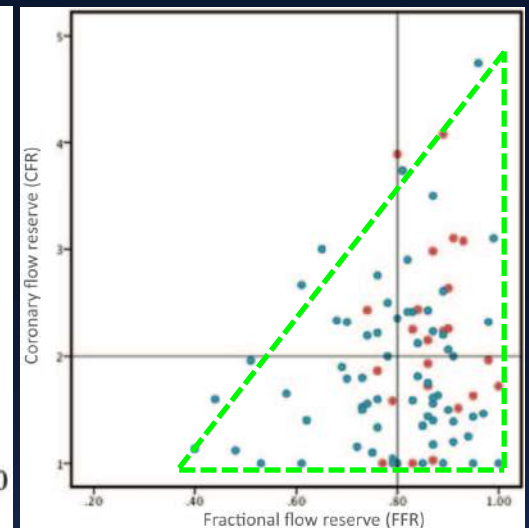
CFR by PET
Texas (2012)

43% discordance



CFR by thoracic echo
Japan (2014)

35% discordance



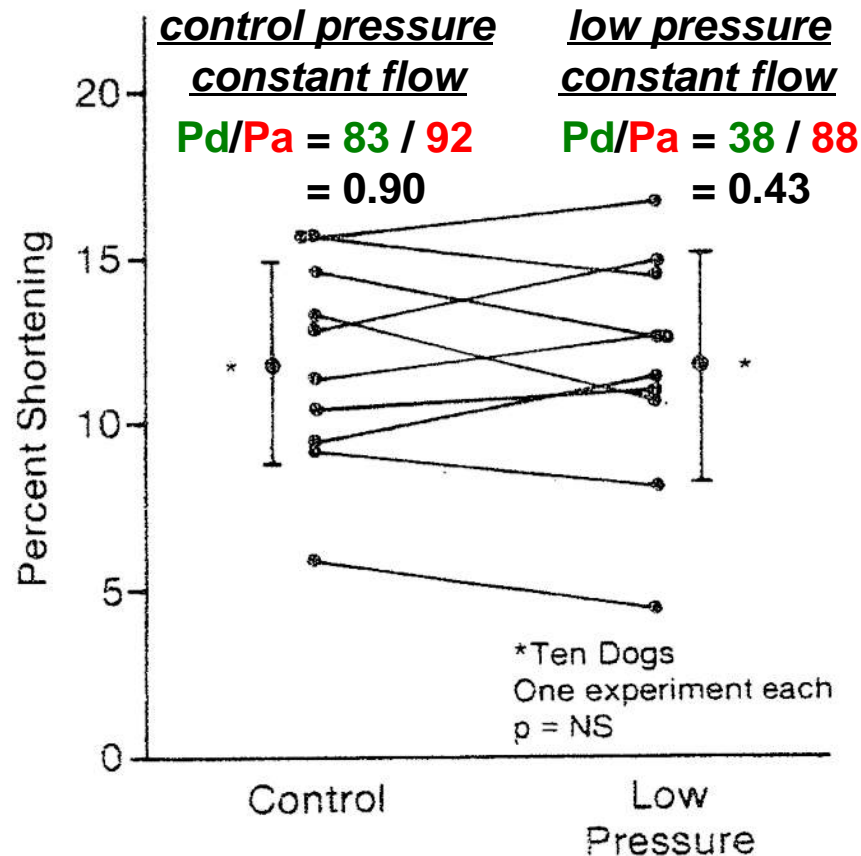
CFR by thermo
Madrid (2013)

44% discordance

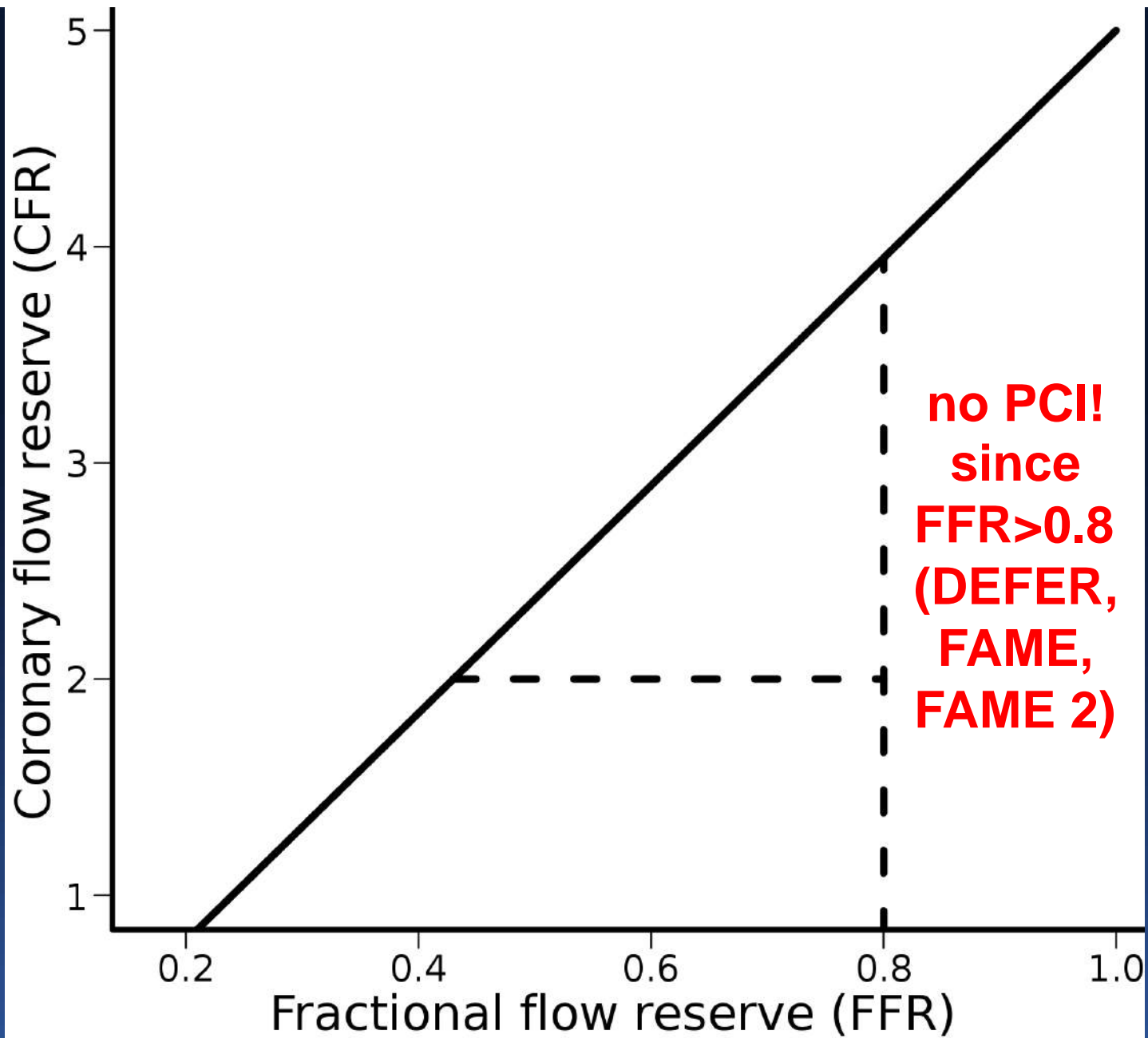
PET = Johnson NP, *JACC Cardiovasc Imaging*. 5(2):193, 2012, Figure 1B
Thoracic echo = Wada T, *Eur Heart J Cardiovasc Imaging*. 15(4):399, 2014, Figure 6
Thermodilution = Echavarria-Pinto M, *Circulation*. 128(24):2557, 2013, Figure 1B

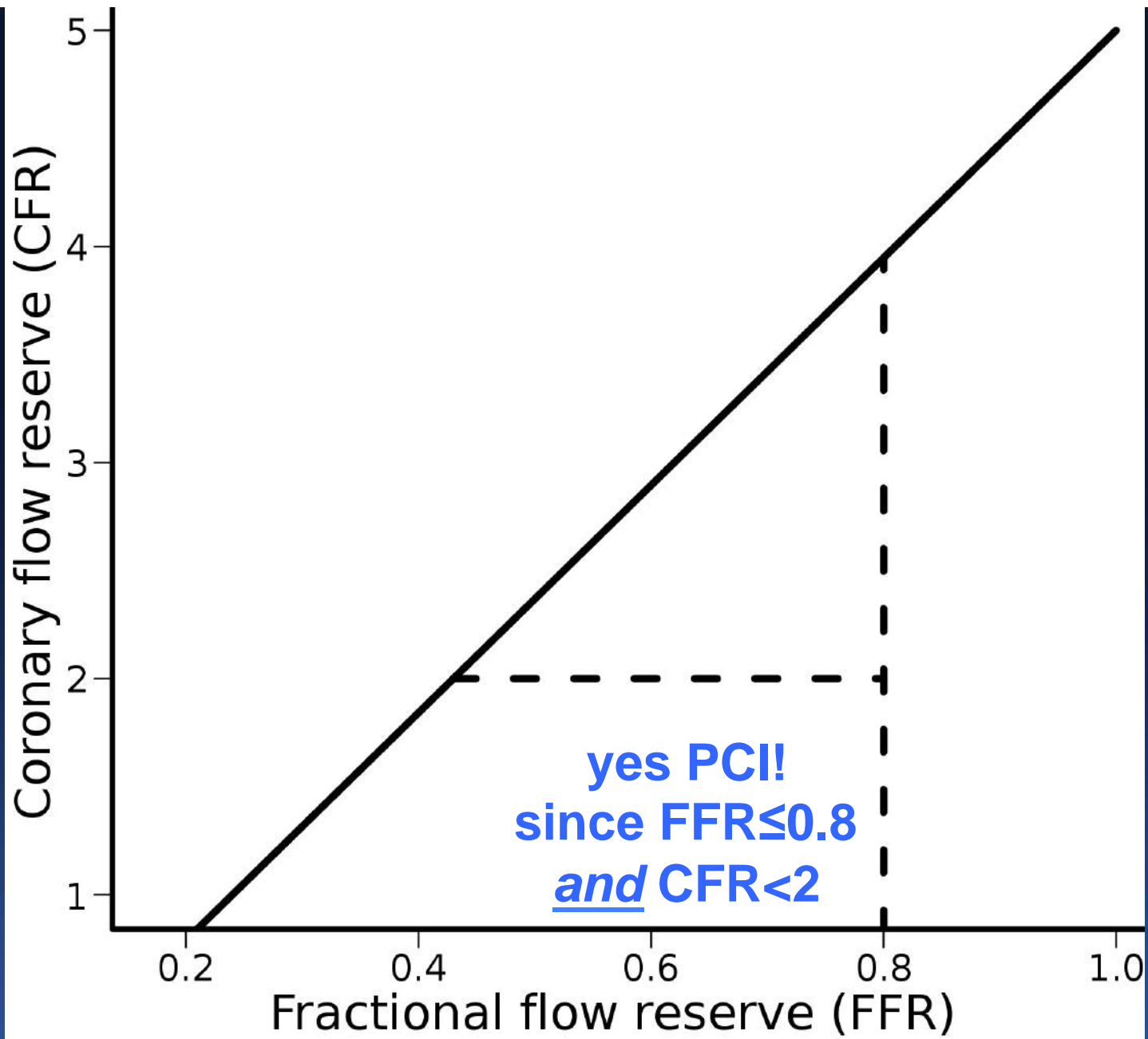
“... regional contractile function is dependent on *subendocardial blood flow* and is independent of *coronary perfusion pressure*”

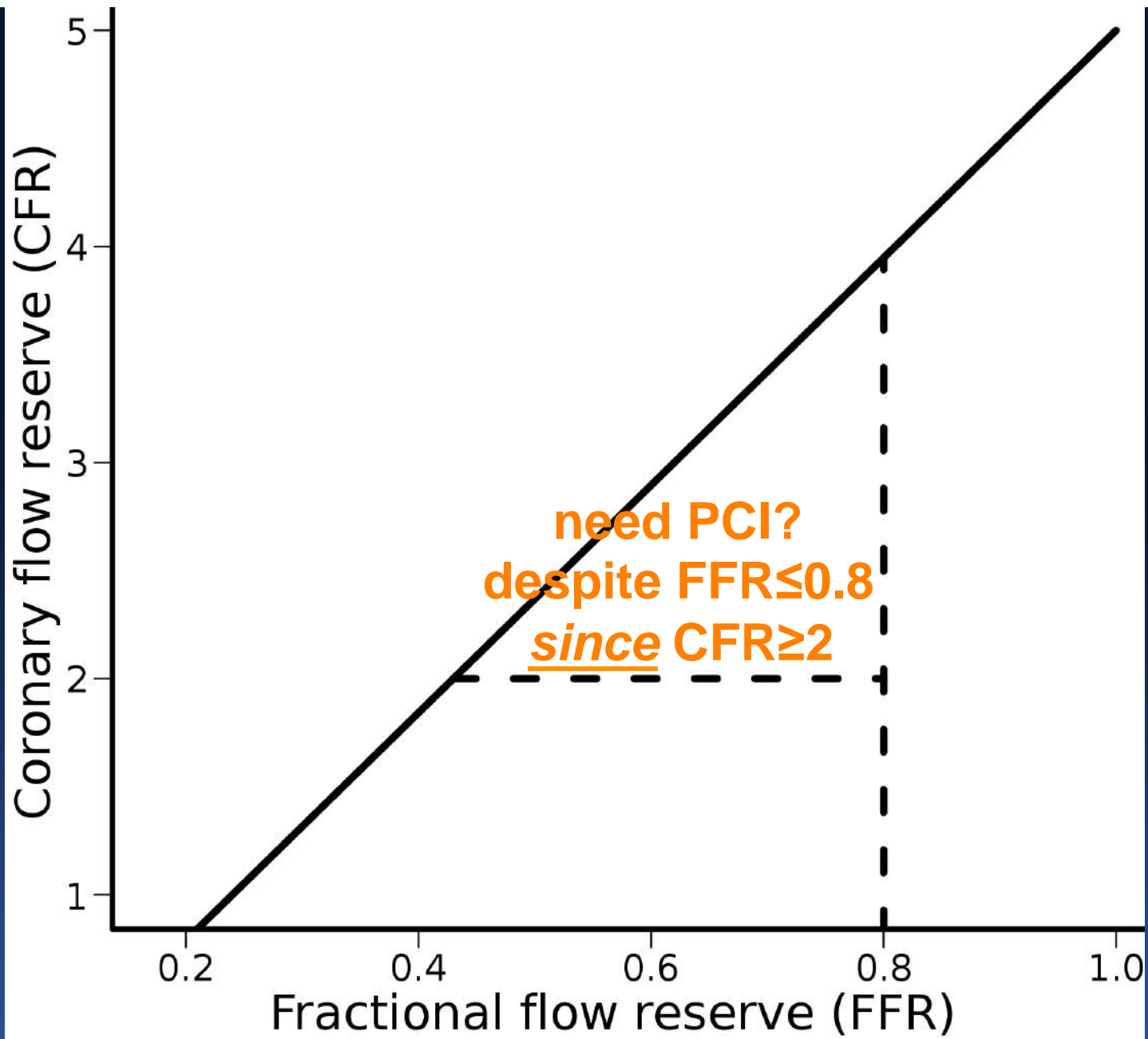
Figure 3. Percent segmental shortening during the ejection period in 10 chronically instrumented dogs during the control state and with circumflex artery depressurization. Mean values \pm 1 standard deviation appear on either side of individual data.

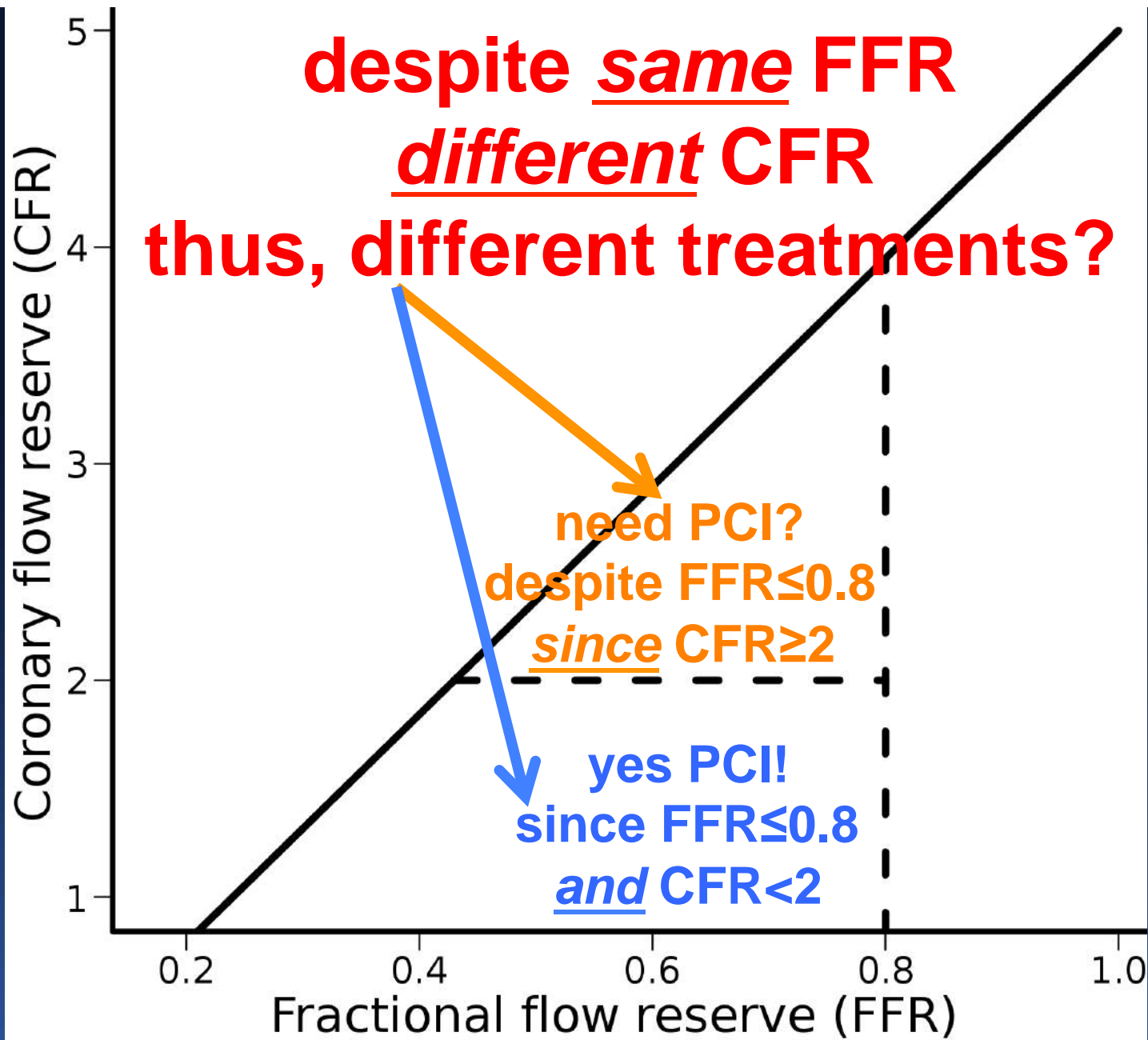


Smalling RW and Kirkeeide RL, JACC. 5(4):948, 1985, Figure 3 (annotated)

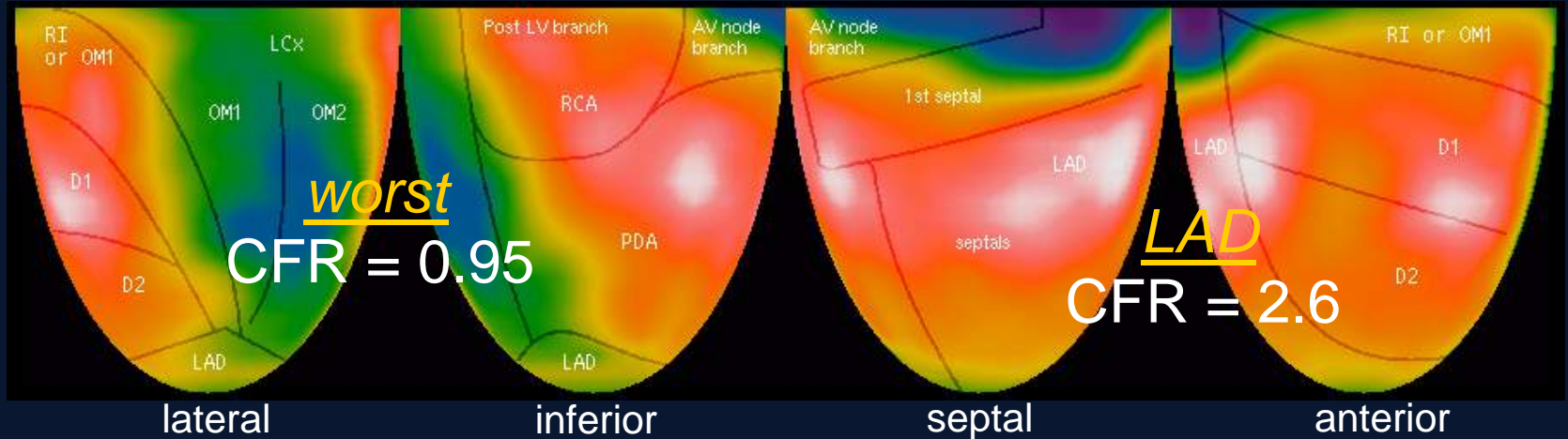




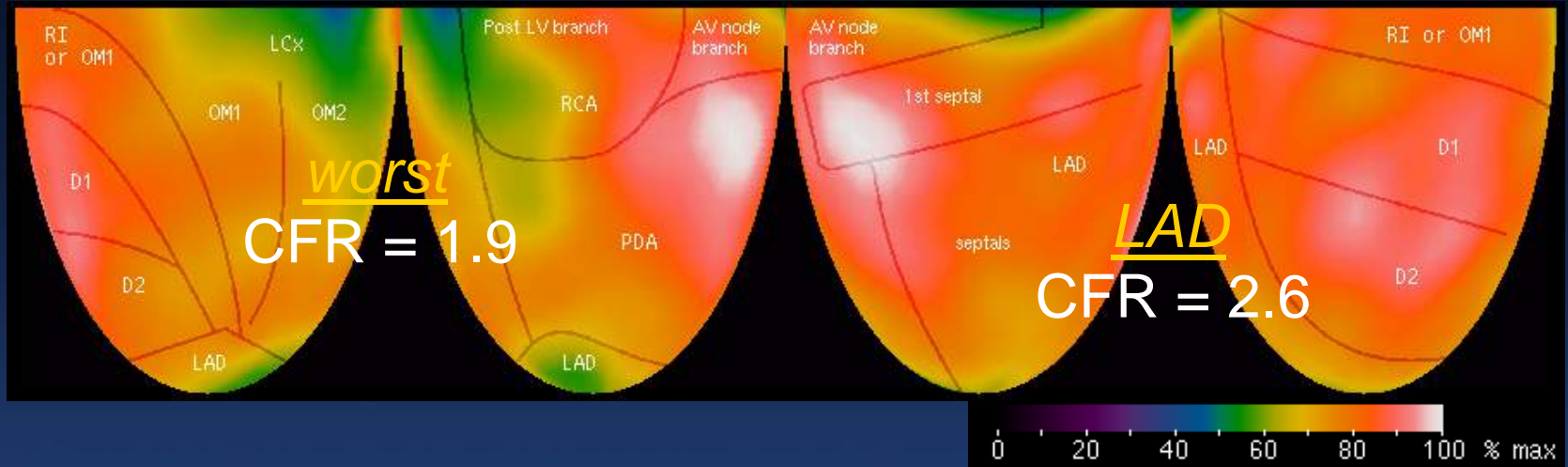




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CABG**



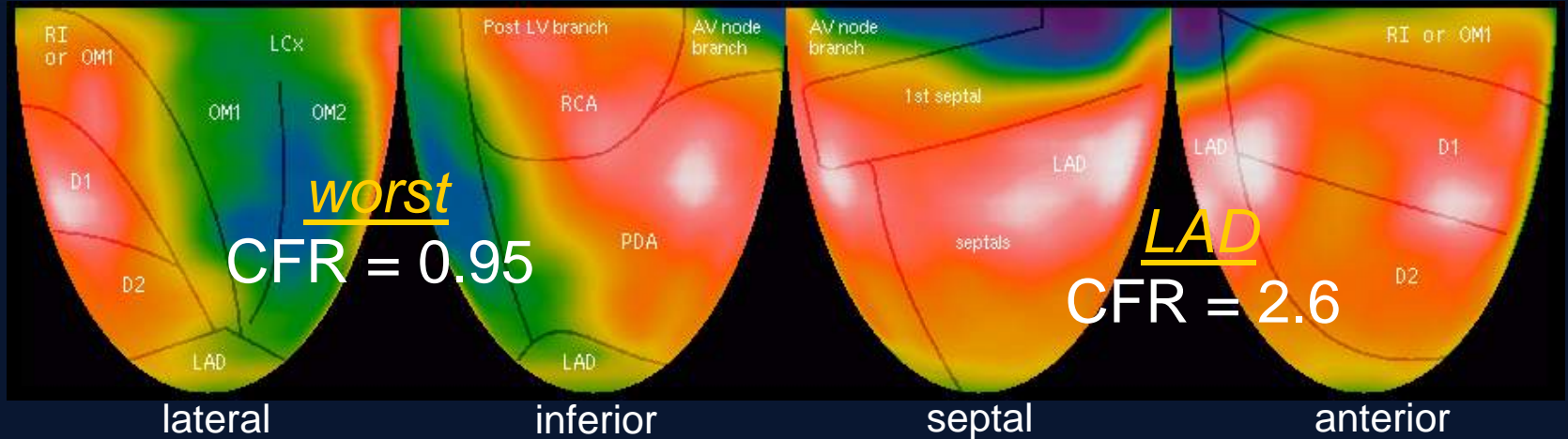
**After
CABG**



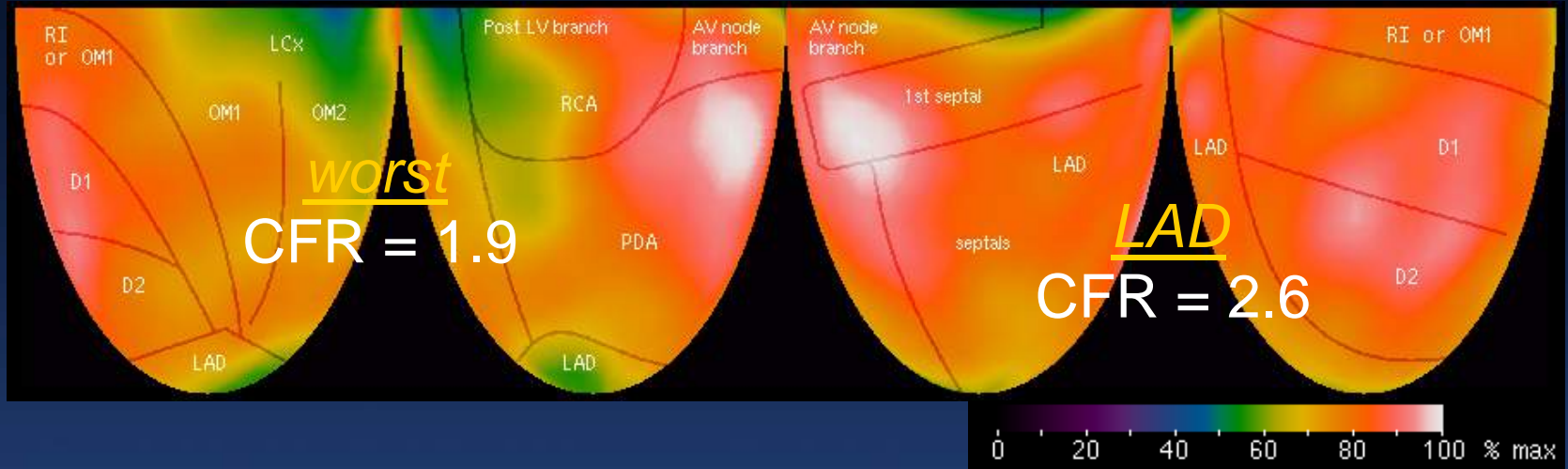
Referred for CABG:

- LIMA-LAD
- SVG-DIAG
- SVG-OM
- SVG-RCA

**Before
CABG**



**After
CABG**



PET flow in LAD during *hyperemia*:

- **Before** CABG = 1.78 cc/min/gm
- **After** CABG = 2.82 cc/min/gm
- Flow ratio before/after = $1.78/2.82 = 0.63$
- Invasive, pressure-derived FFR = **0.58**

“... **pressure and flow** represent the **two sides of the same coin** ... from the physiologic point of view, both techniques are highly **complementary**.”

-Kern MJ, De Bruyne B, Pijls NH.
JACC. 30(3):613, 1997. (my **color** and **emphasis** added)