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**L'ecografia intraoperatoria negli interventi
cardiochirurgici di emergenza.
Cerchiamo di prevenire il danno neurologico.**

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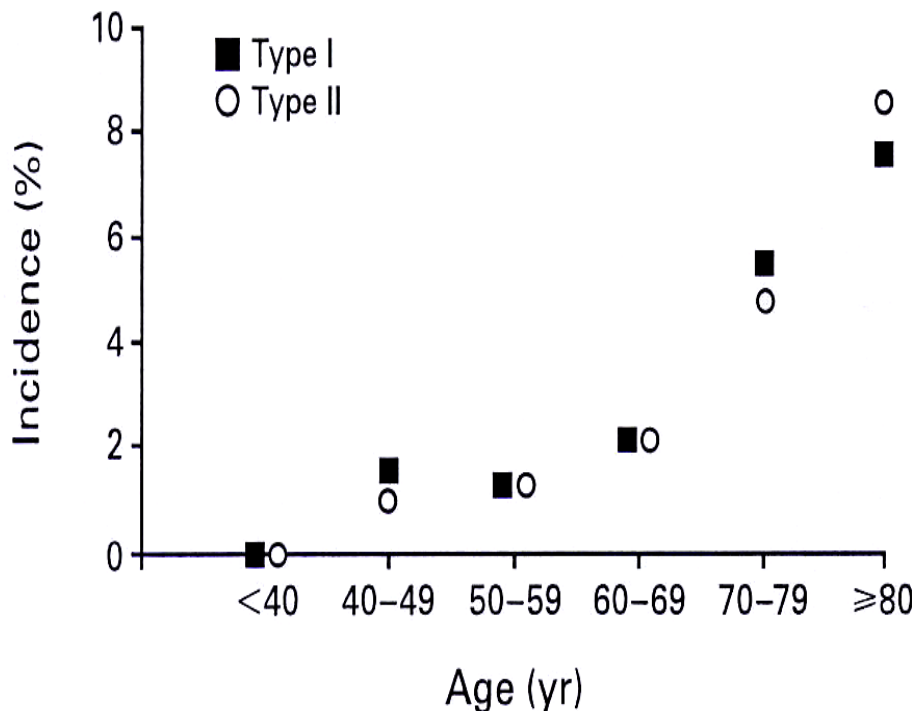
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ADVERSE CEREBRAL OUTCOMES AFTER CORONARY BYPASS SURGERY

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Type I: fatal cerebral injury
and nonfatal strokes

Type II: new deterioration in
intellectual function, memory
deficit, new onset of seizures

Risk factors for adverse cerebral outcome:

TYPE I

- Proximal aortic atherosclerosis
- History of neurologic disease
- Use of IABP
- Diabetes mellitus
- History of hypertension
- History of pulmonary disease
- History of unstable angina
- age

TYPE II

- Age
- Systolic blood pressure > 180 mmHg
- History of alcohol consumption
- History of CABG
- Dysrhythmia on day of surgery
- Antihypertensive therapy

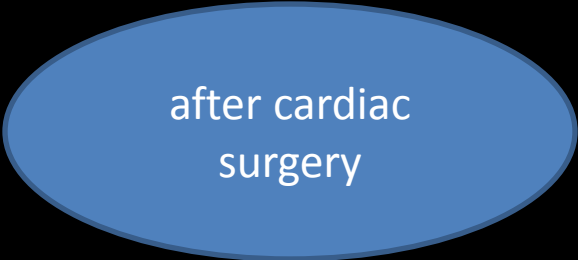
Adverse cerebral outcomes occurred in 129 /2108 patients (6.1%)

- **3.1 % had type I** (8 died if cerebral injury, 55 had nonfatal strokes, 2 TIA, 1 stupor)
 - **3.0% had type II** (55 deterioration intellectual function, 8 seizures)

PostOperative Cognitive Dysfunction (POCD)

impairment of memory, concentration, language, comprehension, and social integration

- 53% (N. 261) at hospital discharge
- 36% after six weeks
- 24 % six months postoperatively



after cardiac
surgery

Newman et al., NEJM 2001

The incidence of early POCD: 60% Slater et al., Ann Thorac Surg 2009;87:36-45.

Post-Operative Cognitive Dysfunction (POCD) after cardiac surgery

- 37% (N. 551, CABG surgery) had POCD at *one year*. A substantial association was found between POCD and changes in QoL.
- 42% experienced decline in cognitive function after *five years*. Only 5.2% reported a poor general health status based on QoL measures.

Philips-Bute B, et al. Psychosom Med 2006;68:369-75.

Limitations:



- Cognitive tests used
- Timing of testing
- Definition of cognitive decline

62 studies identified assessing POCD after cardiac surgery

Consensus Statement Guidelines (1995) are not widely accepted or applied: most batteries covered the domains of attention and memory, less frequently motor function

Heterogeneity limits the ability to compare POCD among studies

Risk-factors for POCD

- **Age:** associated to atherosclerosis, alterations in the vasculature and auto-regulation of cerebral blood flow
- **Education** increases the synaptic density in the neocortex, neuronal communication
- **Previous diseases:** diabetes mellitus, systemic arterial hypertension, chronic renal failure

Gao L et al. CHEST 2005

Funder KS et al Minerva Anest 2009

- **Alcohol dependence**

Hudetz JA, et al. Int J Environ Res Public Health 2009;6:2725-2739

Etiology of cerebral injuries associated with POCD

- **Cerebral microemboli** (air, opening of heart chambers, cooling process, fat, ...)
- **Cerebral macroemboli** (atheroma of the aortic wall, clamp. aorta, cannulation)
- **Global cerebral hypoperfusion** ←

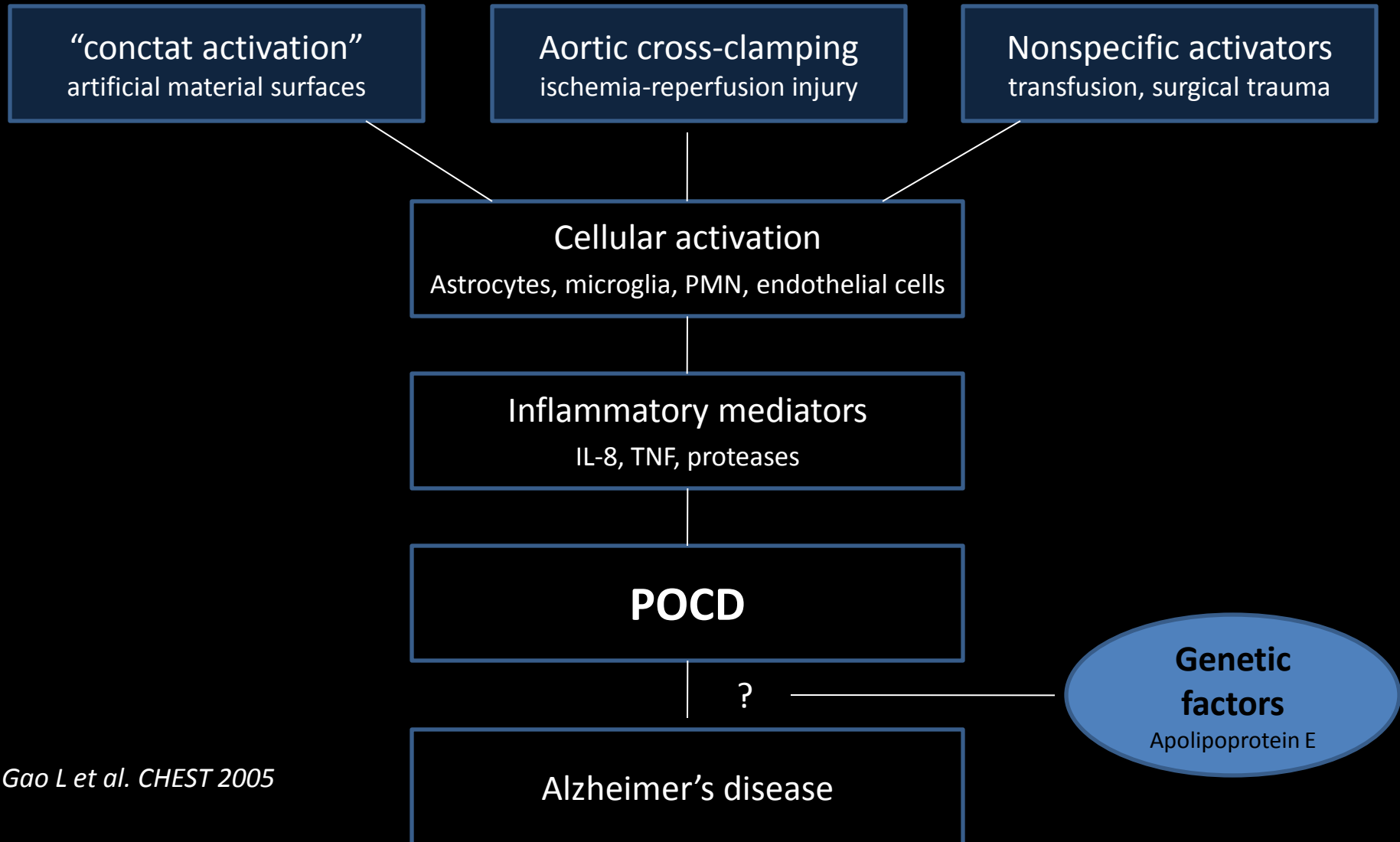
Duration and type of surgical procedure --> prolonged CPB, surfaces of circuit

Hyperthermia during and after CPB --> toxic neurotransmitters, free radicals
--> barrier permeability --> energy consumption

Aggressive rewarming process --> the speed is directly related to jugular desaturation --> altered cognitive performance

Hyperglycemia (> 200 mg/dL) --> lactate --> acidosis --> excitatory aminoacids

Etiology of cerebral injuries associated with POCD: *inflammation*



Cognitive dysfunction after non-cardiac surgery

An incidence of 25.8% after 1 week and 9.9% at 3 months postoperatively

- 60 years or more
- Major vascular procedures
- Atherosclerosis, cerebrovascular disease, hypertension, diabetes

The importance of intraoperative management

HEMODYNAMIC STABILITY

A drop in Mean Arterial Pressure from a preoperative baseline may put patients at risk for early POCD after coronary artery bypass graft operation

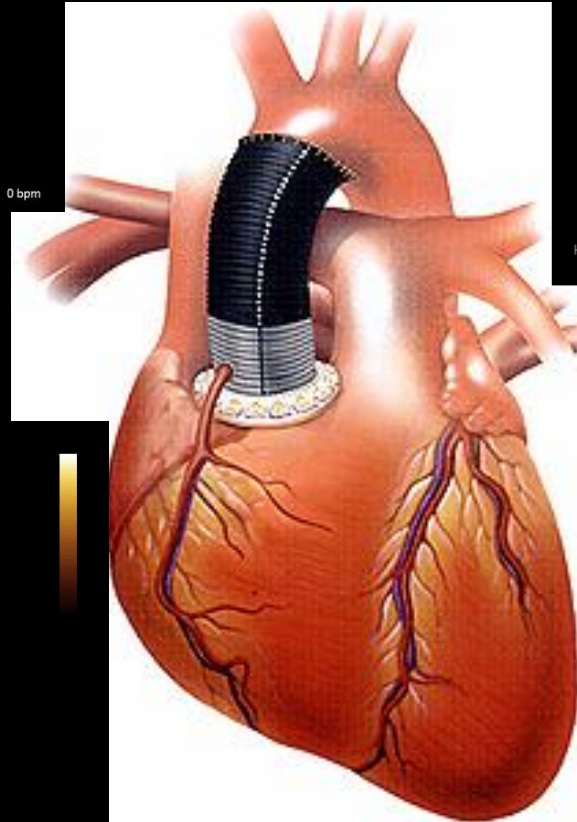
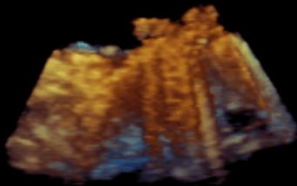
Arch Neurol 2007;64(8):1111-1114

Aortic arch surgery

Cerebral protection

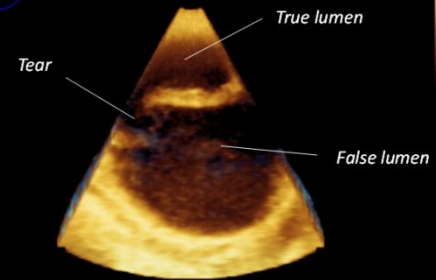
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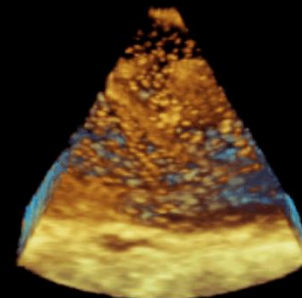
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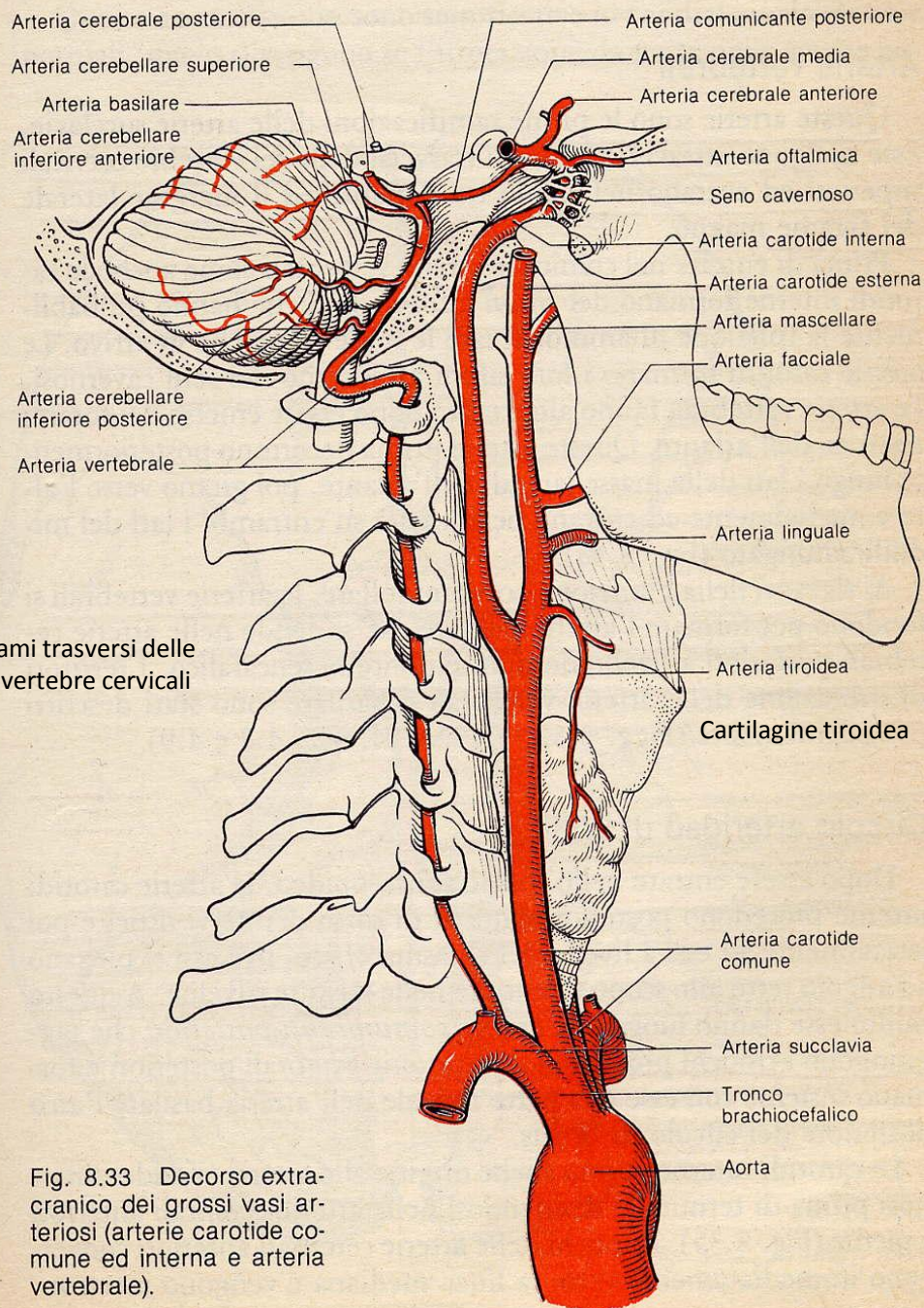


Fig. 8.33 Decorso extra-cranico dei grossi vasi arteriosi (arterie carotide comune ed interna e arteria vertebrale).

Le a. carotidi interne e le vertebrali sono indipendenti fino a quando entrano nel cranio dove sono interconnesse da un sistema anastomotico di sicurezza: il circolo di Willis e l'arteria basilare

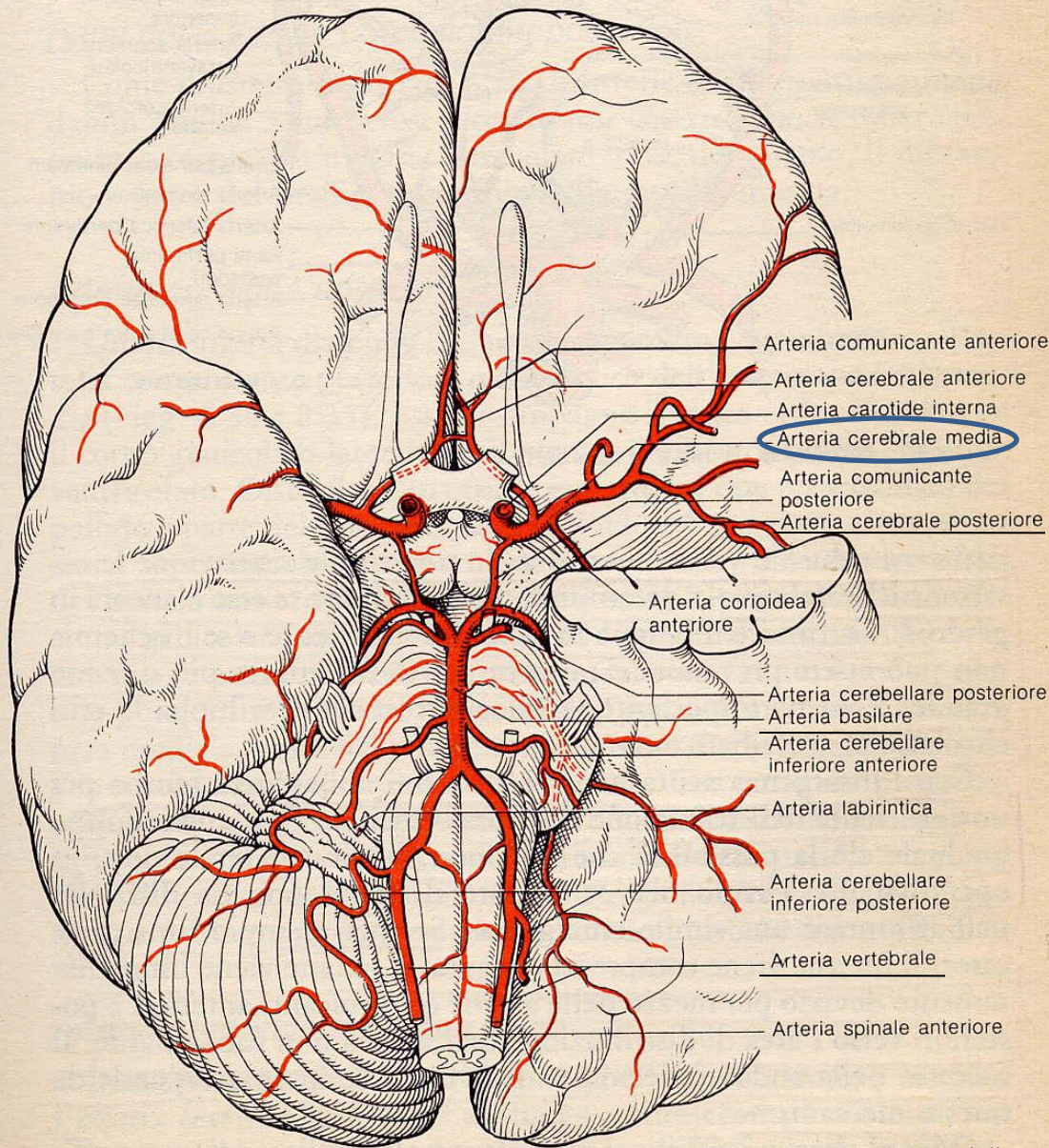


Fig. 8.34 Arterie della base cerebrale.

Se una delle a. carotidi interne viene compressa il sangue viene deviato per mezzo delle **ARTERIE COMUNICANTI** verso l'area di distribuzione dell'arteria non funzionante

Un circolo di Willis normale esiste in non più della metà di tutte le persone. In alcuni casi una o entrambe le arterie comunicanti posteriori possono mancare

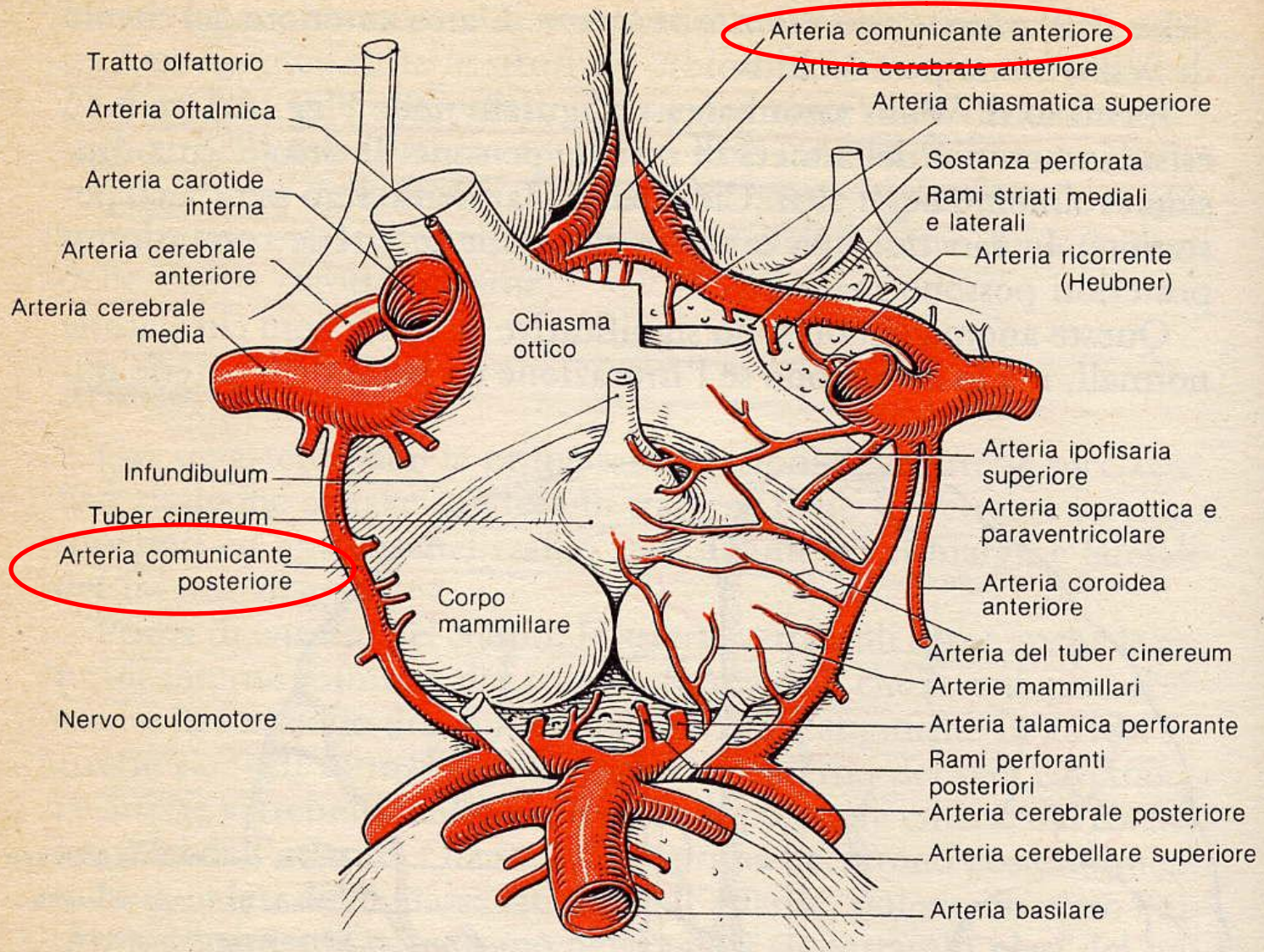


Fig. 8.35 Circolo di Willis ed i suoi rami.

Cerebral damage during aortic arch surgery occurs primarily due to 2 mechanisms:

- 1) **Global injury** secondary to inadequate protection of the brain during interruptions of normal cerebral perfusion
- 2) **Focal defects** resulting from embolization of atheroma and surgical debris into the cerebral vessels.

Cerebral protection during surgery

1) suppressing the metabolic demand:

Hypothermia:

At 37°C: O₂ consumption 2.9 ml/g/min

At 25°C: O₂ consumption 0.9 ml/g/min

At 20°C: O₂ consumption 0.5 ml/g/min

Anesthetic drugs: pentobarbital

(N-methyl-D aspartate receptor antagonist, steroids, mannitol)

2) maintaining the metabolic supply

At 37°C CBF 55 ml/min/100 g brain tissue

At 37°C CBF < 18/ml/100g: ischemic phenomena

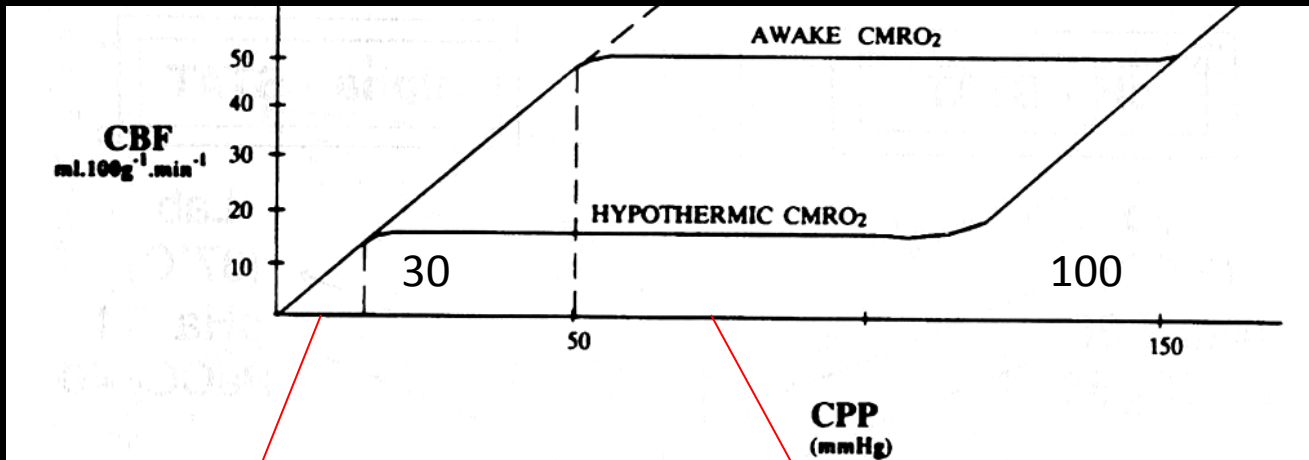
3 techniques for brain preservation during aortic surgery:

- 1) deep hypothermic circulatory arrest (DHCA)
- 2) retrograde cerebral perfusion
- 3) antegrade cerebral perfusion

Hypothermia

- reduces the release of cytotoxic excitatory neurotransmitters
- preserves adenosine triphosphate
- Reduces production of O₂ free radicals during reperfusion

At 37°C autoregulation of CBF is maintained for a wide spectrum of mean arterial pressures



Direct relation between flow and perfusion pressures

In deep hypothermic situations (20°C) autoregulation is maintained for perfusion pressures ranging from 30 to 100 mmHg

1) deep hypothermic circulatory arrest (DHCA) 18-19 °C

Cerebral ischemia at normothermia can be tolerated without injury for 5 minutes

DHCA at 18° C is theoretically safe for only 25 minutes

DHCA at 18° C > 30 minutes: cerebral injury

- Quick and simple technique, especially in urgent situations
- Bloodless and motionless
- Surgical field without any mechanical encumbrances and clamps: no extra cannulas or tubings are required
- No dangers inherent in the cerebral perfusion techniques:
flowing too slow risks hypoperfusion and flowing too fast risks cerebral edema

1) deep hypothermic circulatory arrest (DHCA) at 18-19 °C results in:

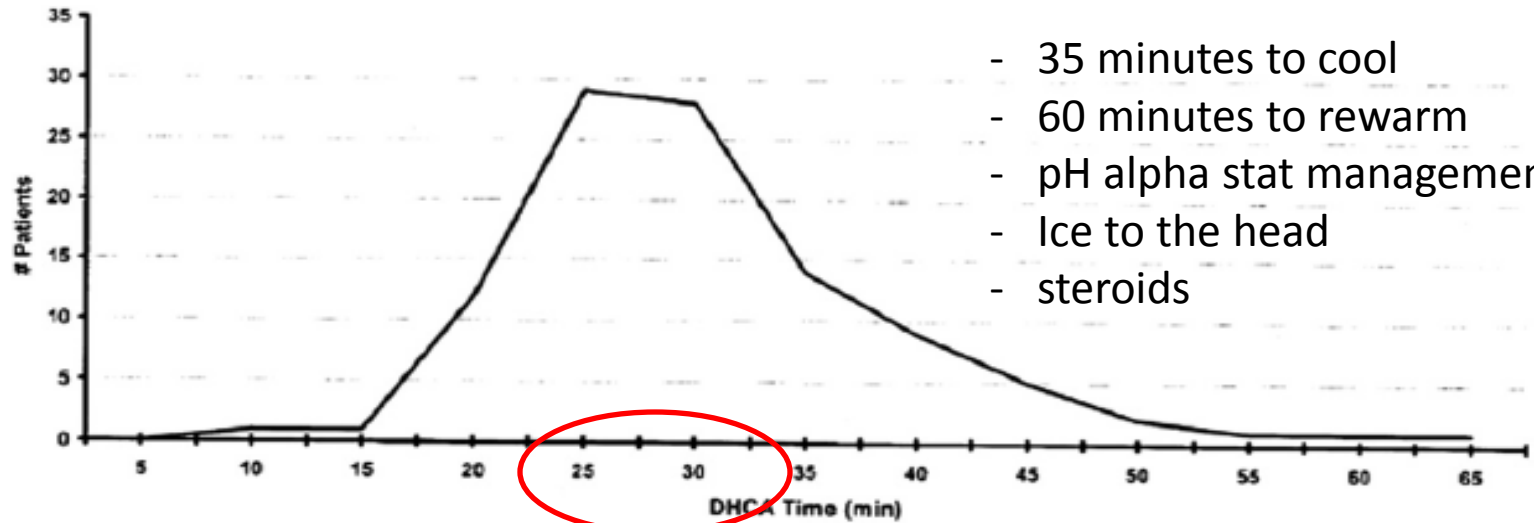
- Prolonged CPB: long period of cooling and rewarming

➔ High incidence of temporary and permanent neurologic dysfunction (10-25%)

➔ Adverse effects in multiple organ systems: coagulopathy (strong risk factor for bleeding requiring reexploration) and renal failure

endothelial dysfunction, neuronal apoptosis, haemoconcentration, increased blood viscosity, thrombocytopaenia, reduced systemic vascular resistances, severe veno-constriction

1) deep hypothermic circulatory arrest (DHCA) 18-19 °C



- 35 minutes to cool
- 60 minutes to rewarm
- pH alpha stat management
- Ice to the head
- steroids

Fig. 1. Distribution of deep hypothermic circulatory arrest (DHCA) time. Total time in minutes that each patient was exposed to straight DHCA at our institution (mean, 31 minutes; range, 10–61 minutes). (From Gega A, Rizzo JA, Johnson MH, et al. Straight deep hypothermic arrest: experience in 394 patients supports its effectiveness as a sole means of brain preservation. *Ann Thorac Surg* 2007;84(3):759–66; with permission.)

Total mortality 2.2%
Re-exploration for bleeding 4.5%
Stroke rate 2.3%

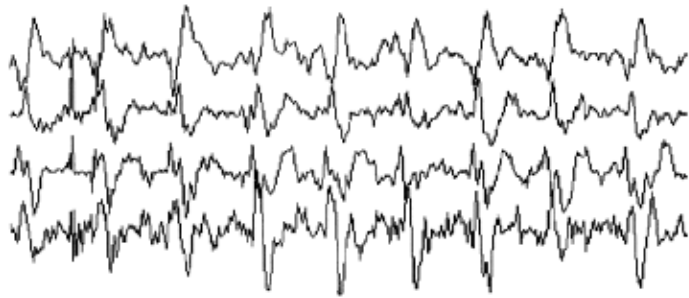
In the 61 patients in whom
circulatory arrest time > 40
min stroke rate was 13%

1) deep hypothermic circulatory arrest (DHCA) 18-19 °C

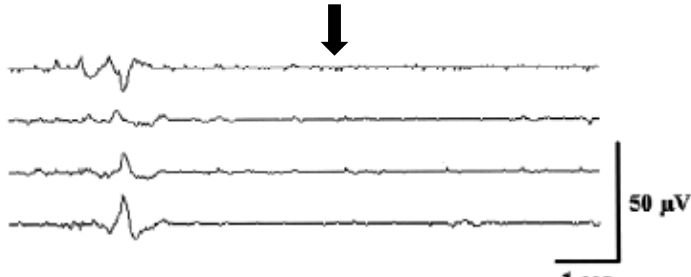
Protection measures:

- The temperature needs to be reduced slowly (>30 min) to achieve uniform cooling of the brain
- **EEG** electrical silence before circulatory arrest
- **SjO₂>95%** to ensure adequate suppression of cerebral metabolic activity
- Haemodilution (Hmt 20%)
- Strict control of blood glucose to avoid intracellular acidosis

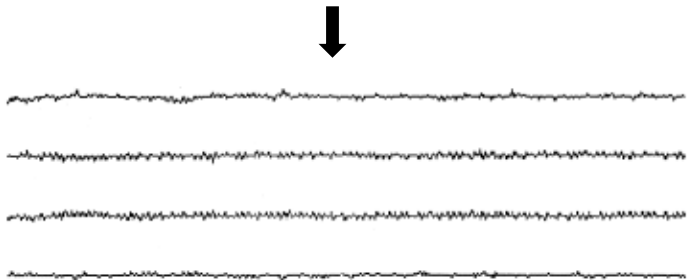
DHCA and EEG



PERIODIC COMPLEXES
T° 29.6 ± 3 °c



BURST SUPPRESSION
T° 24.4 ± 4 °c



EEG SILENCE
T° 12.5 ± 4 °c

Only 60% of patients shows EEG silence by either a nasoph T of 18°C or a cooling > 50 min

The only absolute predictors of EEG silence were nasoph T < 12.5 °C and cooling > 50 min

Is there a “best temperature” for circulatory arrest?

Should all patients be cooled to 12°C?

Circulatory arrest 36.6 ± 12 min: neurologically normal patients

Circulatory arrest 51.6 ± 21 min: postoperative neurologic impairment

2) retrograde cerebral perfusion (RCP) through superior vena cava at deep hypothermia

- In 1980 Mills and Ochsner used RCP to treat accidental air embolism during cardiopulmonary bypass: RCP potentially reduces the risk of stroke related to embolic materials.
- Retrograde perfusion is possible because there are no valves in the cerebral veins. In this technique the brain is perfused by via the superior vena cava at a flow rate of 0.3-0.5 l/min, maintaining a jugular bulb pressure of less than 25 mmHg

Ueda Y, J Cardiovasc Surg 1990; 31:553-558.

Ueda Y, Cardiol Clin 2010;28:371-379.

Ascending and Transverse Aortic Arch Repair

The Impact of Retrograde Cerebral Perfusion

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Pallav Shah, MD; Hazim J. Safi, MD

1107 repairs of the ascending and transverse aortic arch (1991-2007).

RCP used in 82% (907 patients)

- Mortality 30 days 10.4%
- **Stroke 2.8%**
- TND 15%

The use of **RCP + DHCA** was associated with a reduction in mortality and **stroke**

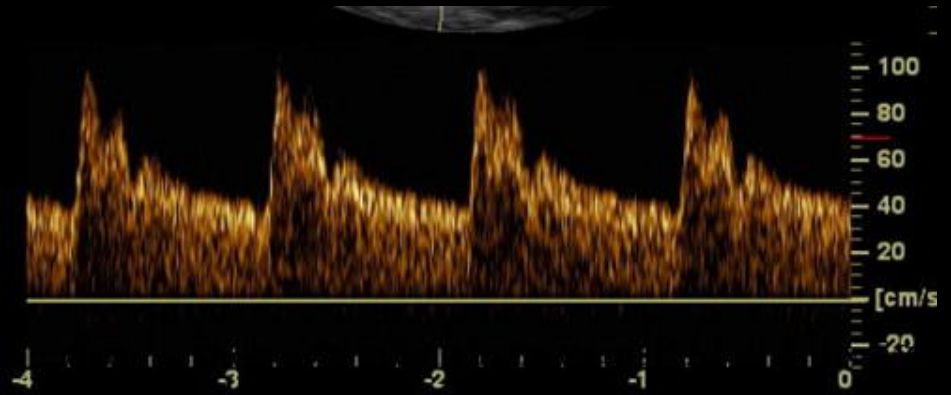
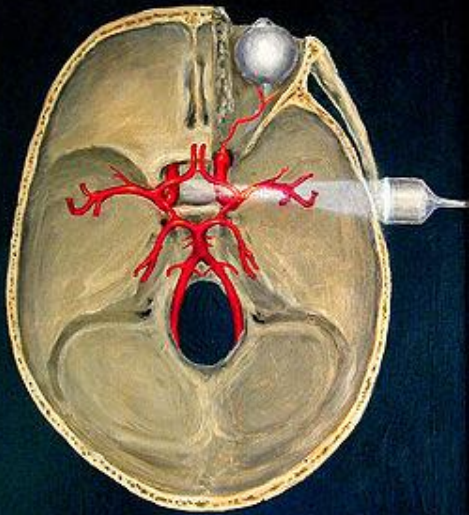
Mean RCP time was 26 min and only 22% of patients underwent circulatory arrest time > 40 min

Adequacy of RCP flow was determined by the presence of reversed blood flow in the middle cerebral arteries by transcranial Doppler ultrasound

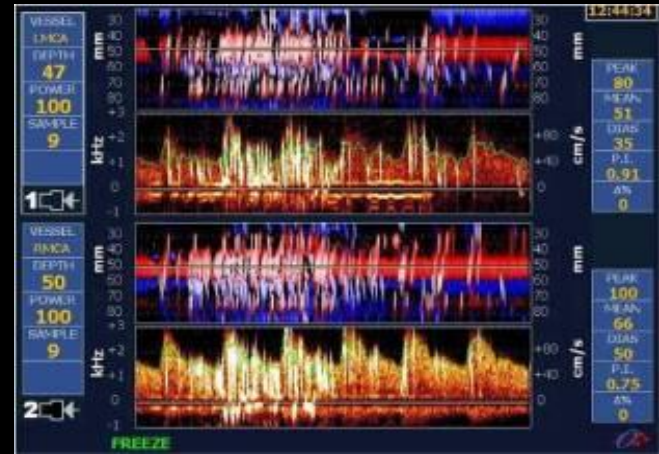
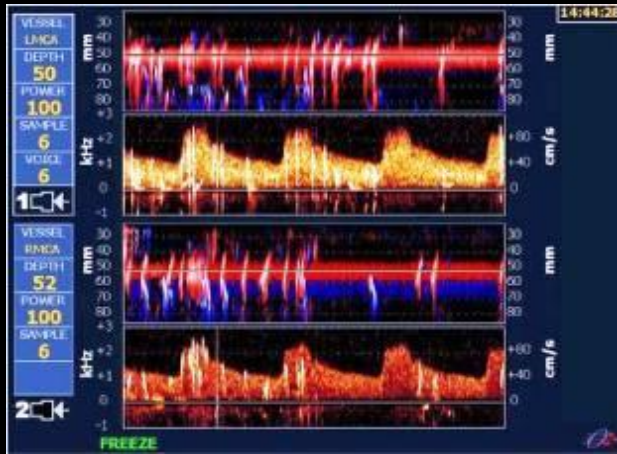
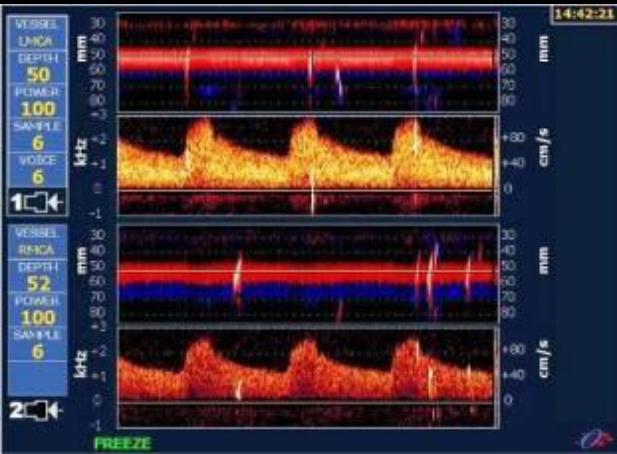
Because cerebral venous capacitance, vessels may require a higher pressure to establish retrograde cerebral flow; nonguided RCP may not achieve adequate cerebral protection.

Estrera AL, Circulation 2008;118:160-166

Transcranial Doppler

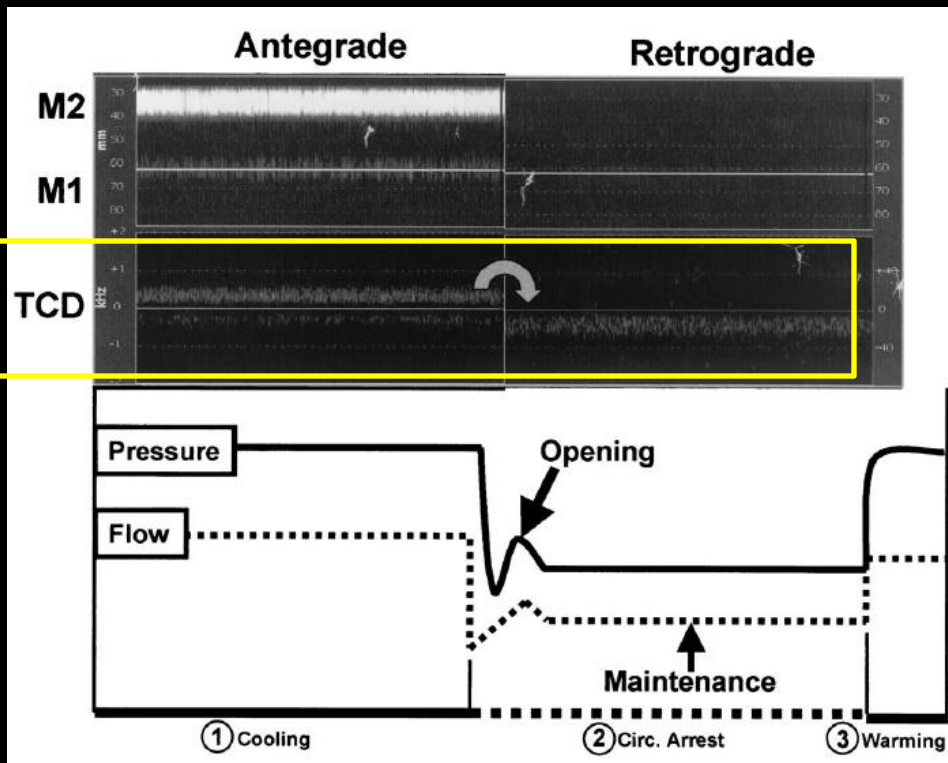


Mean cerebral artery



M-mode transcranial Doppler

Monitoring for 40 ascending and transverse aortic arch repair during RCP + DHCA



A higher RCP pressure was required to immediately identify reversed cerebral blood flow (“opening pressure”)

Once identified RCP pump flow could be decreased to a maintenance level (0.5 L/min and 25 mmHg)

Estrera AL, Ann Thorac Surg 2003;76:704-10

With RCP pressure limited to < 20 mmHg, reversed cerebral blood flow was observed in only 3 of 15 patients.

Tanoue Y Ann Thorac Surg 1999;67:672-5

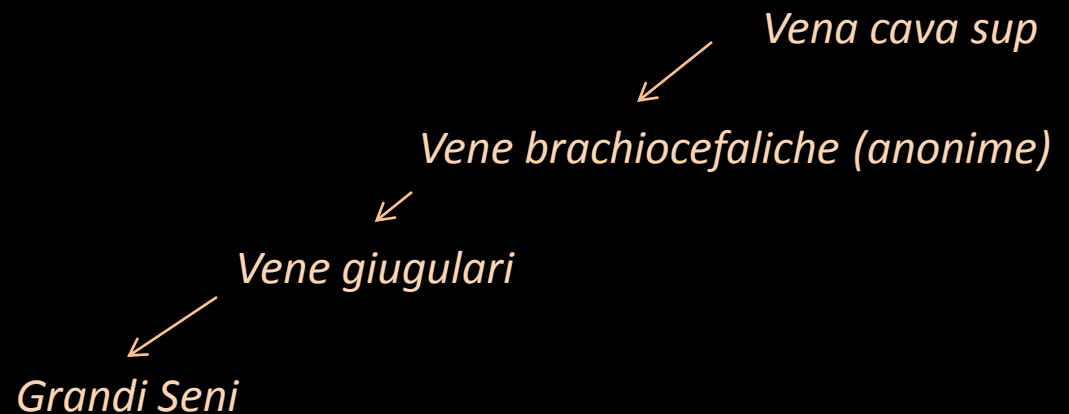
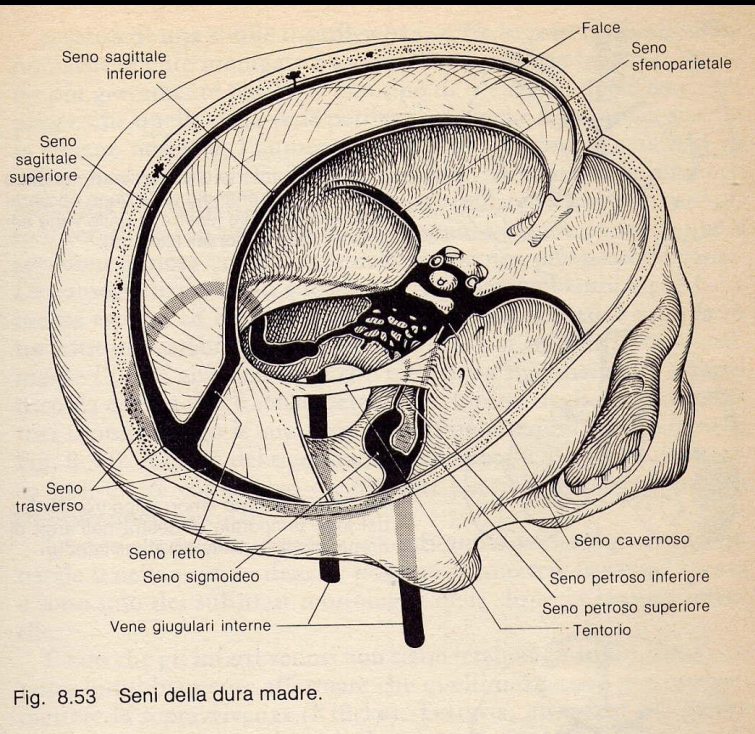
Retrograde cerebral perfusion

Without “opening pressure”

- Only 3% to 5% of the oxygenated perfusate flowing through the superior vena cava reappears as a backflow through carotid and subclavian arteries



Most of the fluid retrogradely perfused irrigates the perivertebral venous system through the azygos vein.



3) Anterograde selective cerebral perfusion

(DeBakey, 1957)

- **GUILMET technique (1986)**: cold blood cerebroplegia maintaining the patient's core temperature at moderate hypothermia
- **KAZUI technique (1992)**: brain perfusion and CPB performed at the same level of moderate hypothermia

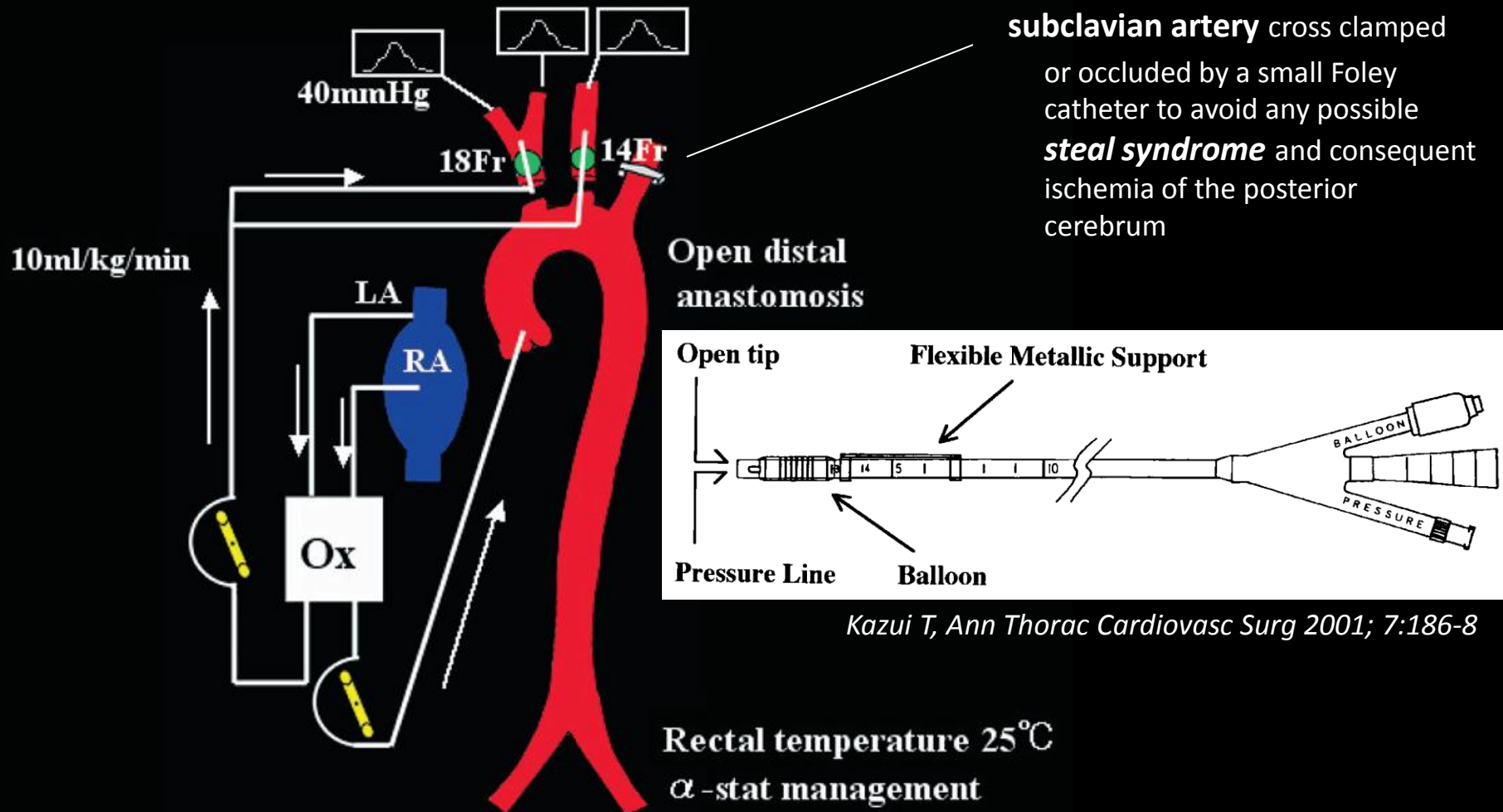
Jean Bachet, Cardiol Clin 2010;28:389-401.

KAZUI technique

- the core temperature (nasopharyngeal) of the patient is lowered to 25°C which corresponds to a rectal temperature of 28°C
- CPB is discontinued
- Aortic arch is opened; cannulas are inserted into the ostia of the innominate and left common carotid arteries
- A total flow of 10 ml/Kg/min is perfused through both cannulas. The pressure in the carotid arteries sets generally between 50 and 70 mmHg.

KAZUI technique

SCP: Two-Arch Vessel Perfusion (IA, LCCA)



Advantages of anterograde SCP

- It can extend the safe duration of cerebral protection up to 90 minutes
- It obviates the need of deep hypothermia thus reducing the pump time, and risk of hypothermia-related complications (pulmonary insufficiency, coagulopathy)
- It is more effective in supplying oxygenated blood to the brain thus ensuring a more physiologic brain energy metabolism

472 aortic arch replacement using anterograde SCP (1986-2006).

- In-hospital Mortality: 9.3% 4.1%
- **PND 3.2%**
- TND 4.7%

Mean SCP time 88.2 minutes

Retrograde and Antegrade Cerebral Perfusion: Results in Short Elective Arch Reconstructive Times

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There was no significant difference in permanent neurologic deficit, temporary neurologic dysfunction, or renal failure, between 682 patients RCP/DHCA and 94 ACP/ MHCA

ACP/MCHA: nasopharyngeal temperature 26 °C, Kazui technique
RCP/DHCA: systemic cooling until EEG was isoelectric, perfusion 10°C

...for aortic reconstruction times less than 45 minutes

Prevention of brain injury

Epiaortic and transesophageal echocardiography

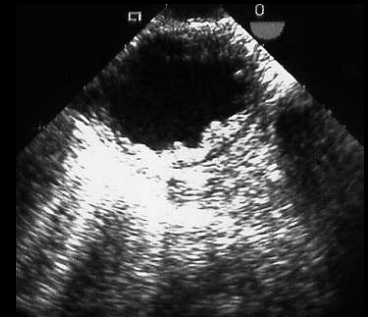


- *Ozatic et al. J Card Surg 2005*

Introduction of **epiaortic scanning** reduced the prevalence of stroke from 1.2% to 0.7% in the retrospective review of 8.547 patients.

- *Zingone et al. Eur J Cardiothorac Surg 2006*

Epiaortic scanning was associated with a several fold reduction in the early postoperative stroke in 2.172 patients particularly in patients with significant aortic pathology



Scanning on the ascending aorta to select the site for cannulation.
RAxA cannulation if the ascending aorta is not suitable for cannulation

Is *unilateral anterograde cerebral perfusion* equivalent to bilateral cerebral perfusion?

At least 10-15% of human beings have anatomic abnormalities of the Circle of Willis and therefore incomplete connections between the cerebral hemispheres or between the anterior and posterior structures of the brain.

The Circle of Willis is not the only pathway for cerebral-cross perfusion, but the extracranial collateral circulation plays a meaningful role, especially in patients with an incomplete circle of Willis.

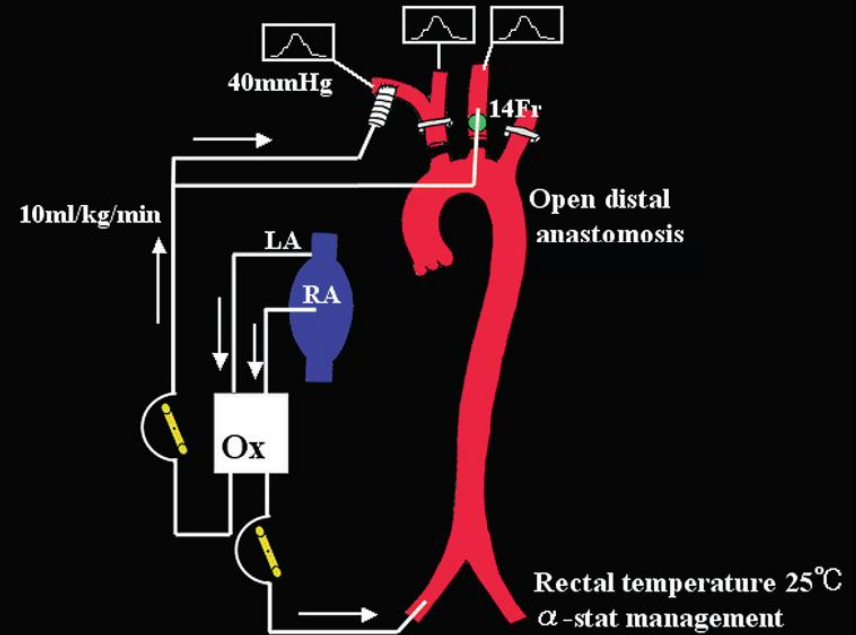
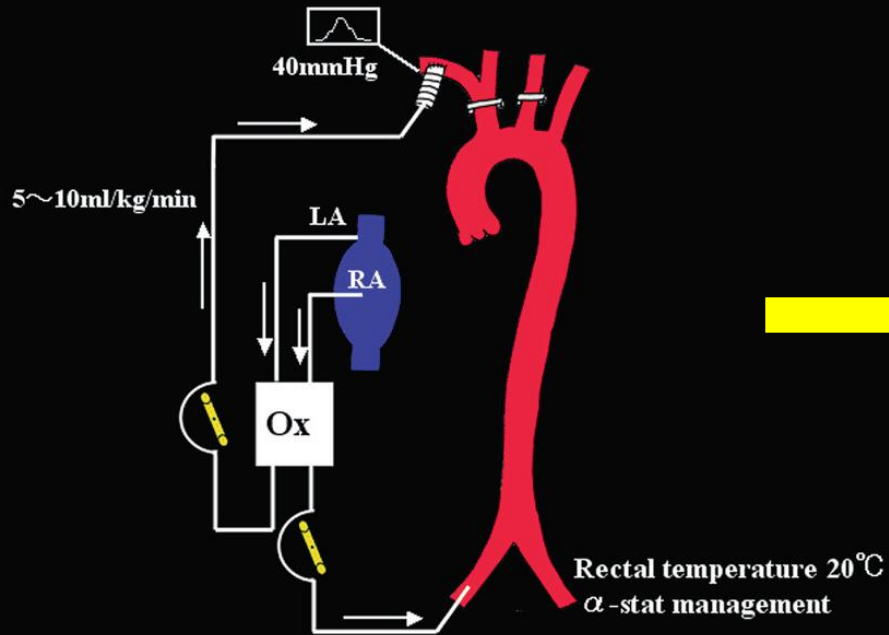
Urbanski PP, Eur J Cardiothorac Surg 2008;33:402-8.

Unilateral cerebral perfusion

Bilateral cerebral perfusion

SCP: One-Arch Vessel perfusion (RAXA)

SCP: Two-Arch Vessel perfusion (RAXA, LCCA)



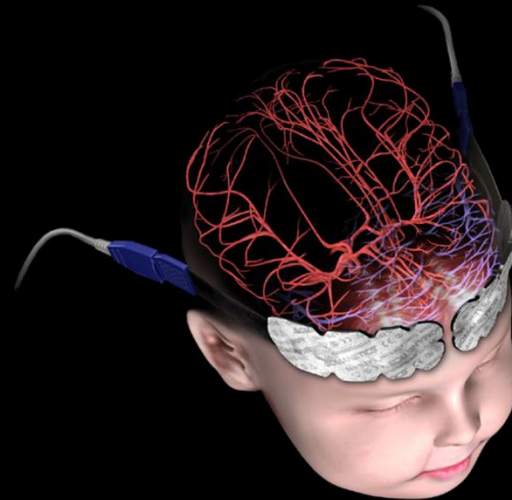
Cannulation of right axillary artery (RAXA) is useful in acute aortic dissection type A and aortic re-do.

- Contraindicated when artery is involved in the dissection process
- Obesity makes the exposure difficult
- It's better to attach a side-graft to avoid the cannulation-related complications.

Saturazione cerebrale: rSO2

- Il primo sistema di gestione paziente, approvato FDA, che permette un monitoraggio DELLA SATURAZIONE DI OSSIGENO REGIONALE CEREBRALE E/O SOMATICA :

- NON INVASIVO
- DIRETTO
- CONTINUO E MULTICANALE
- SEMPLICE DA USARE E INTERPRETARE

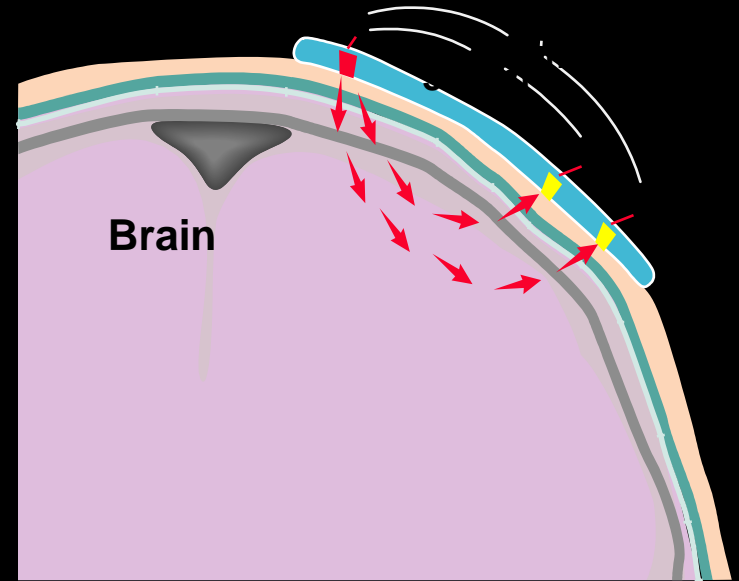


Il parametro rSO2

- Specifica saturazione regionale a livello tissutale (Artero-Venosa)
- rSO2 è il risultato di una misurazione di una somma della saturazione dell'ossigenazione arteriosa, venosa e capillare nelle seguenti proporzioni:
 - 75% sangue venoso
 - 20% sangue arterioso
 - 5% sangue capillare

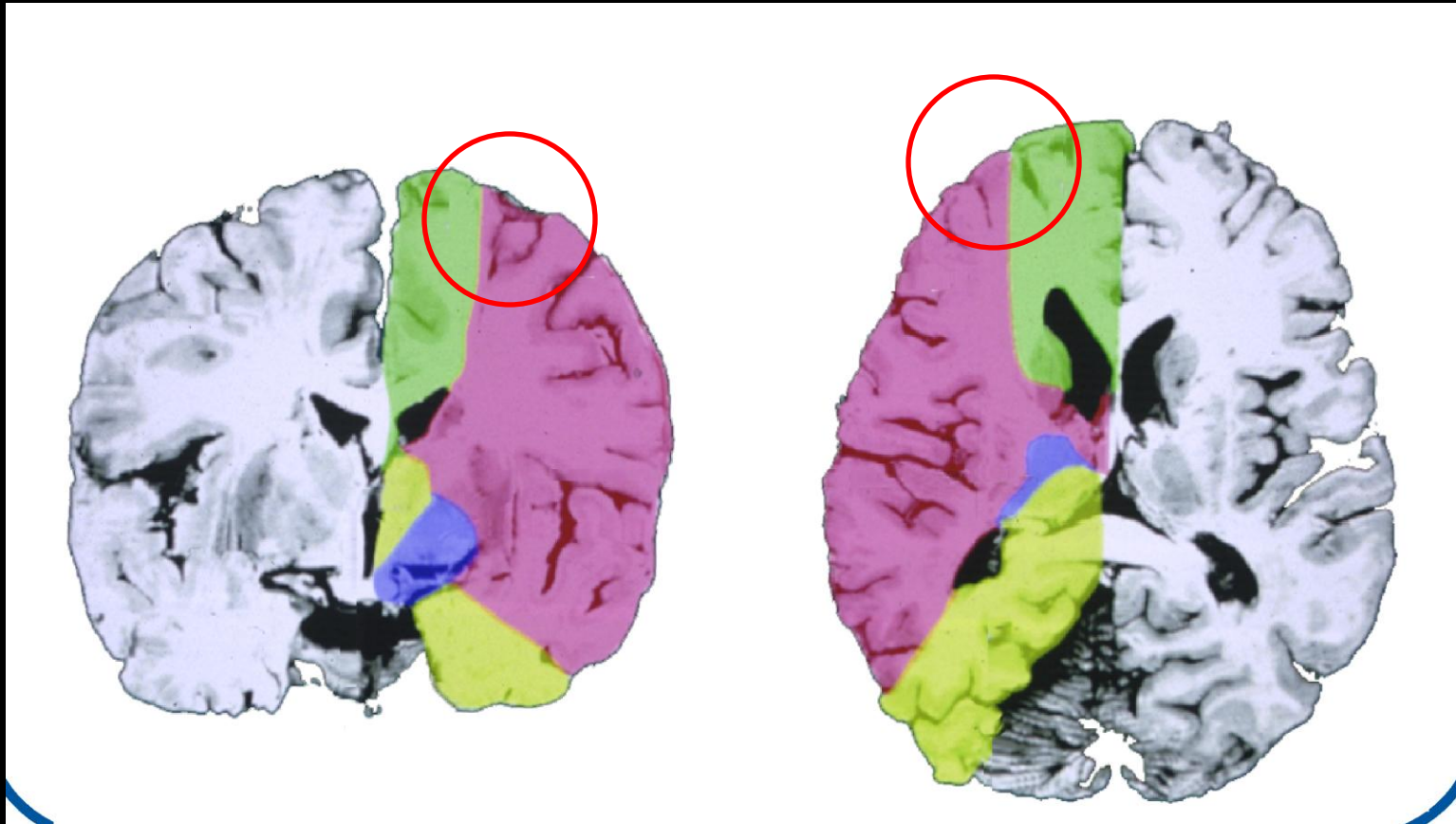
Il parametro rSO2

- Sfrutta il principio della spettroscopia a infrarosso
- Non ha bisogno di un segnale pulsante per fornire una misurazione
- Il sensore funge da emettitore e rilevatore di luce infrarossa a opportune lunghezze d'onda specificamente assorbite dall'emoglobina ossigenata e non ossigenata.
- In tal modo è possibile la misurazione dell'emoglobina legata all'ossigeno; l'algoritmo genera un numero che rappresenta la saturazione regionale d'ossigeno (cerebrale o somatica).

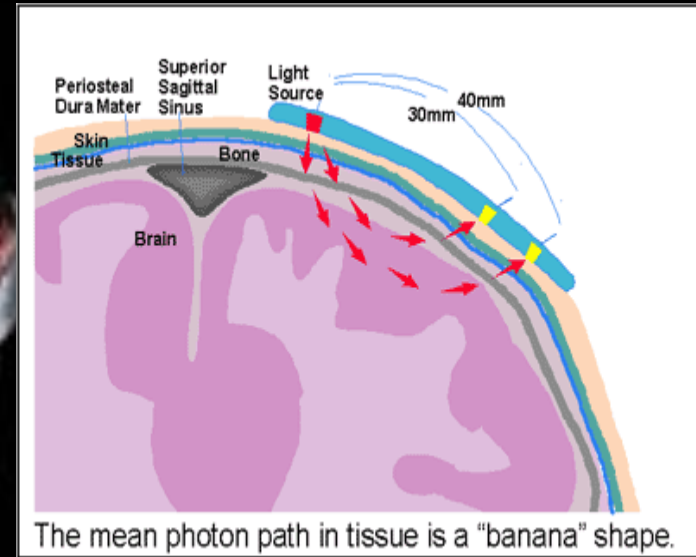


$$SO_2 = \frac{HbO_2}{HbO_2 + Hb} \times 100\%$$

rSO2: zone interessate alla misurazione



Near-Infrared Spectroscopy (NIRS)



Regional O₂ saturation is monitored in the bilateral frontal lobes.

Each sensor consists of one silicon diode which receives the signals and 3 LEDs which emit near-infrared light of wavelengths 750, 850, 810 nm, respectively, for measurement of deoxy-Hb, oxy-Hb, and Hb level

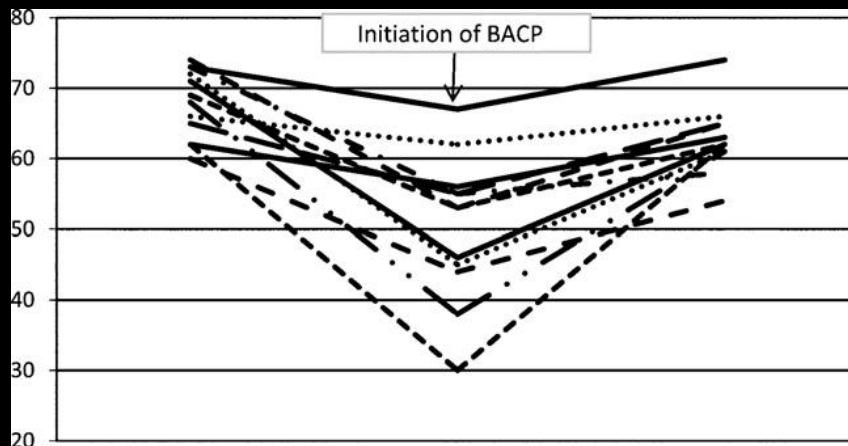
$$rSO_2 = \frac{\text{oxy-Hb}}{\text{oxy-Hb} + \text{deoxy-Hb}} \times 100$$

Aortic arch surgery using bilateral antegrade selective cerebral perfusion in combination with near-infrared spectroscopy[☆]

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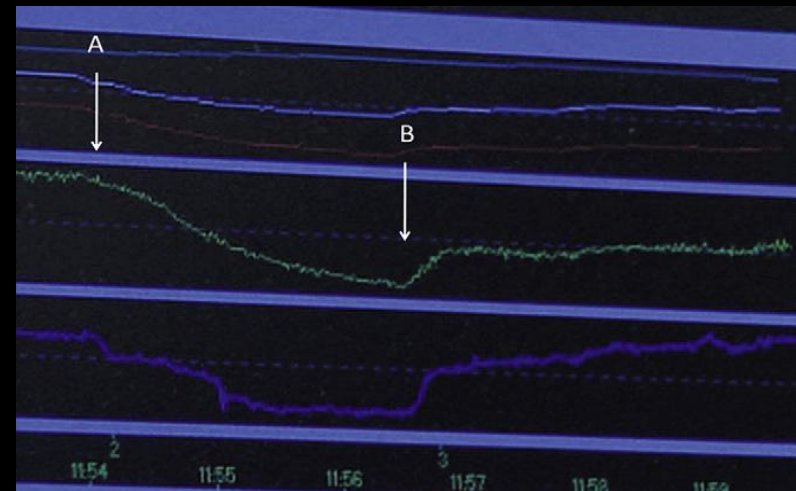
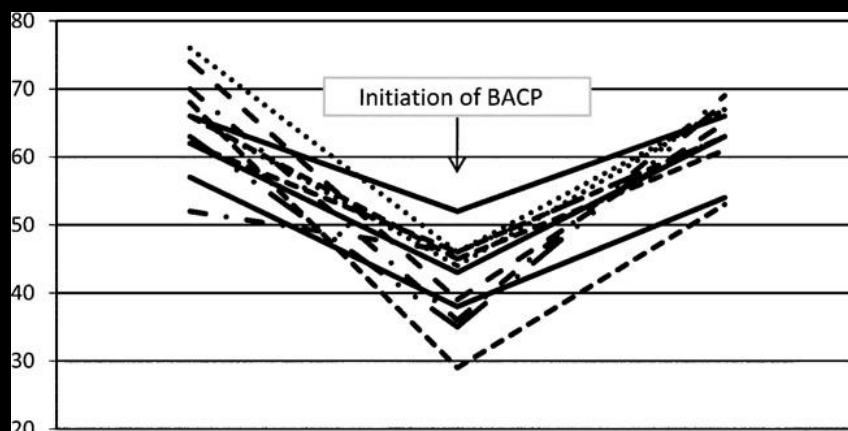
Cerebral O₂ saturation at right cerebral cortex:



After initiation of circulatory arrest and clamping of the brachio-cephalic trunk, unilateral antegrade cerebral perfusion was started.

After 2 min a drop in cerebral O₂ sat from $63 \pm 5\%$ to $44 \pm 7.9\%$ was observed over the left frontal cortex in 12 of 13 patients

Cerebral O₂ saturation at left cerebral cortex:



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Near-Infrared Spectroscopy (NIRS)

rSO₂ of 67 ± 10 has been reported in conscious adult health volunteers

Right versus left differences of > 10% occurred in <5% of the individuals

A low or asymmetric rSO₂ baseline usually represents the consequences of cerebral vascular disease, BPCO, congestive HF, chronic hypertension, diabetes, sickle cells disease

Brain damage is related to both the extent and the duration of the drop in rSO₂:
an increase of neurologic events when rSO₂ drops below 55% for longer than 5 min.

A potential interaction exists between PND and TND: prolonged ischemic periods may aggravate the size of and embolic defect causing clinical neurological symptoms

Near-Infrared Spectroscopy (NIRS)

- rSO₂ is a measure of local microcirculatory O₂ supply-demand balance (no brain tissue viability). It provides an alert that cerebral ischemia is likely to be present at a given moment.
 - NIRS is unlikely to be capable of differentiating the causes of the rSO₂ drop: air, atheroma, malperfusion (reduced SpO₂, low Hb, reduced cardiac output, increased O₂ consumption, venous congestion).
- rSO₂ can remain unchanged when the emboli cause cerebral ischemia at a site other than the NIRS sampling site
 - NIRS is limited for detecting embolic events or hypoperfusion in the basilar region.

Harrer M, Eur J Cardiothorac Surg 2010 "in press"

Edmonds HL, J Cardiothorac Vasc Anesth 2006;20:445-449

DHCA: SjO₂ and NIRS

- Is an *invasive procedure*
- *Migration of catheter* is a problem: sample blood may be proximal to opening of the facial vein into the internal jugular vein with false high values of SjvO₂
- *Extracerebral contribution* to jugular venous blood
- *Rate of aspiration* of the blood sample may affect readings
- Is a monitor of *global oxygenation*. There may be focal areas of ischemia not detected

- Is an *non-invasive method*
- Allows measurement of cerebral oxygenation during the arrest period
- NIRS data decrease during *hemodilution*, whereas SjO₂ remain unchanged
- rSO₂ < SjO₂ at *lower temperatures* (different effects on the distribution of blood in the venous and arterial circulations with age)
- NIRS evaluates *only a part of the region* of the anterior cerebral artery distribution
- NIRS increases more during deep cooling with *Ph-stat* compared with alpha-stat management: the effects of vasodilatation associated with pH stat strategy are potentially beneficial to offset the vasoconstrictive effect of cooling

Usefulness of transcranial color Doppler ultrasonography in aortic arch surgery

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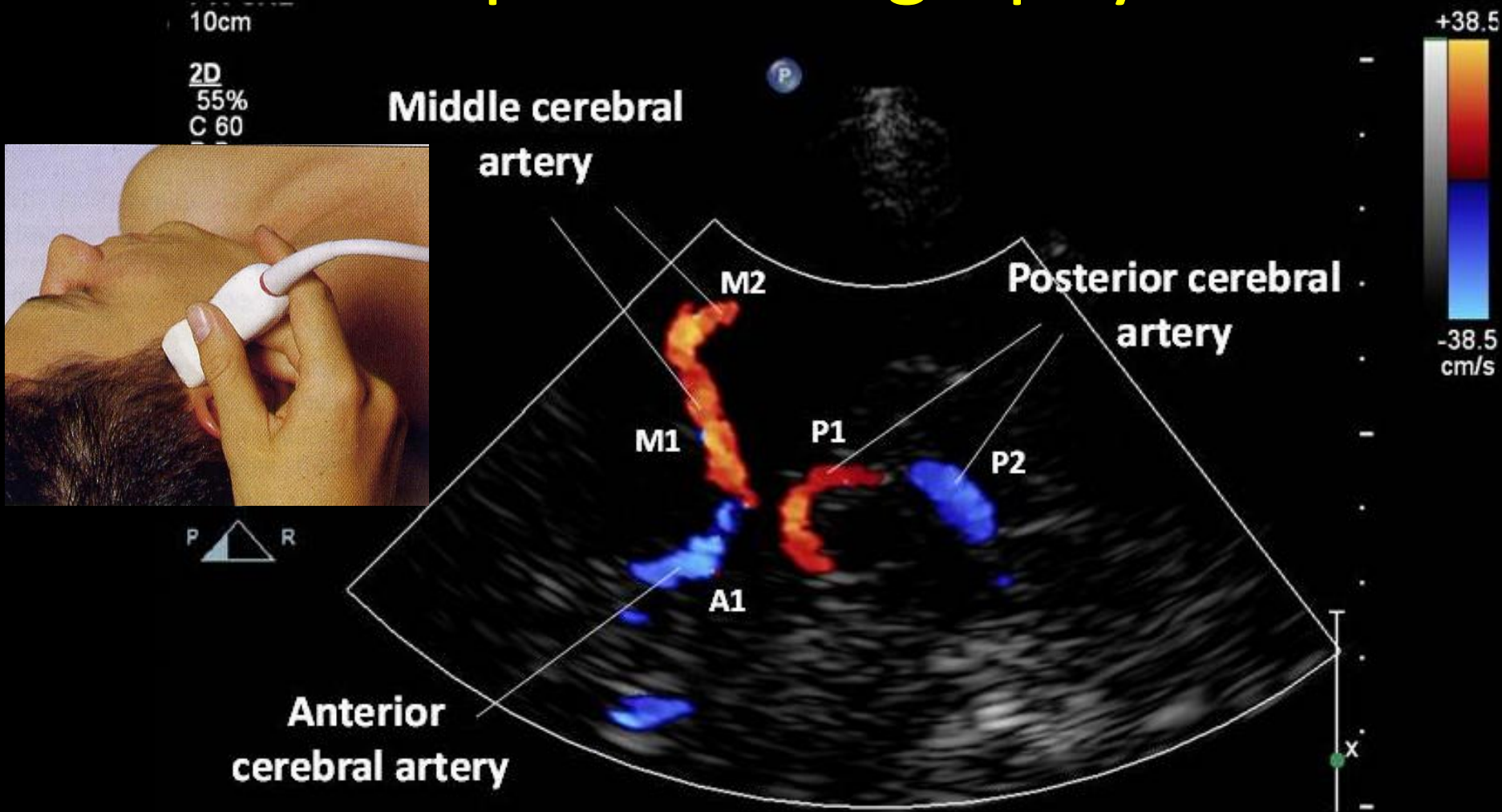
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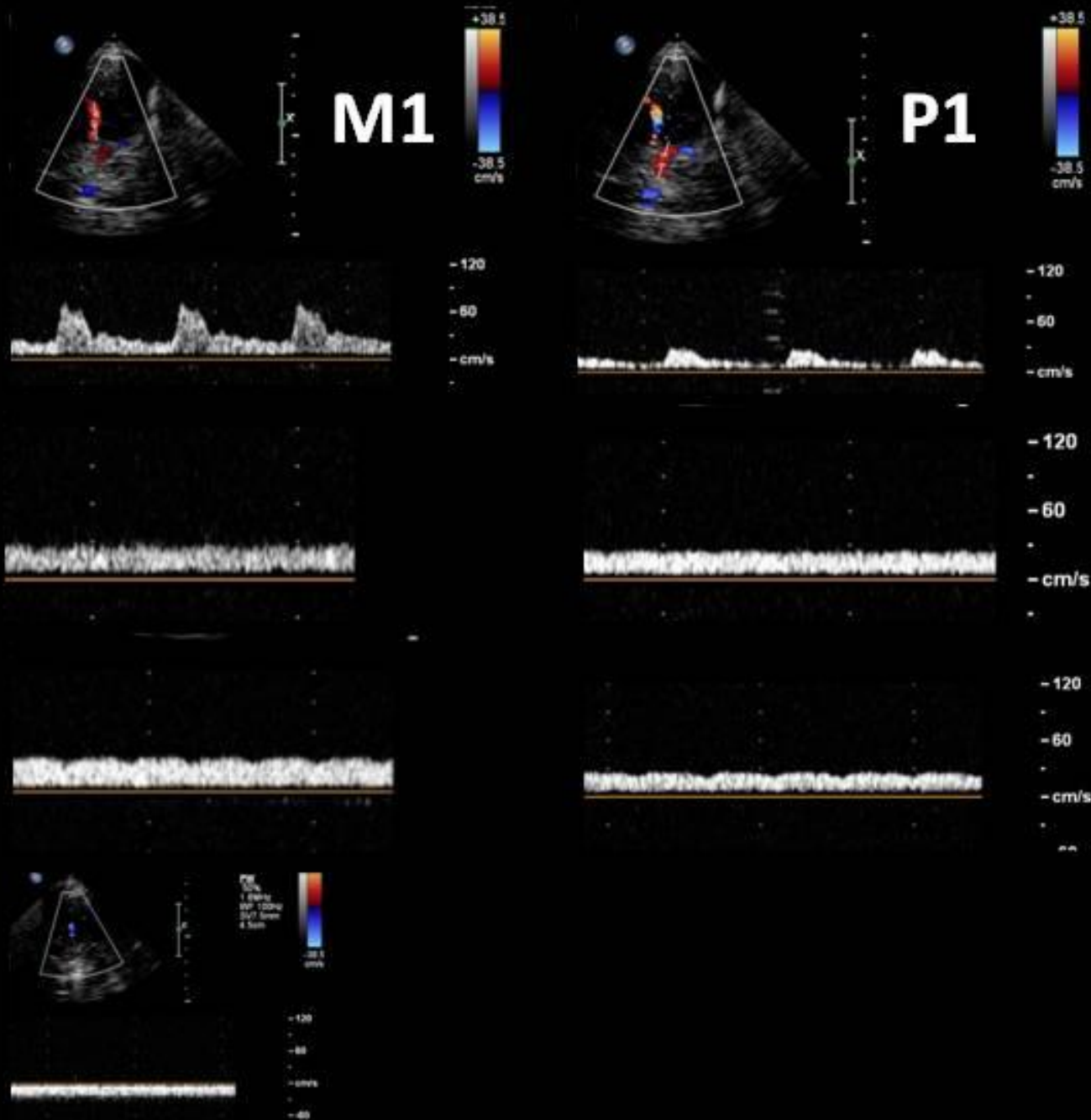
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Trans-temporal echography



After anesthesia induction



Middle cerebral artery

P

Posterior cerebral artery

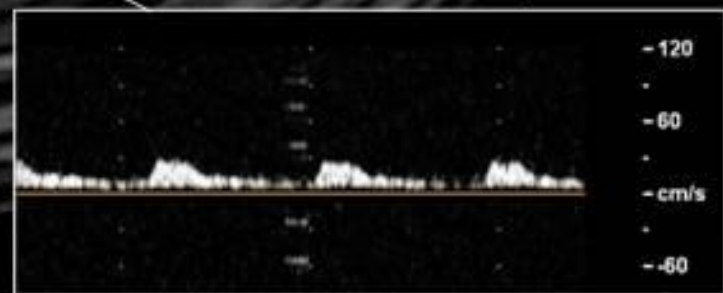
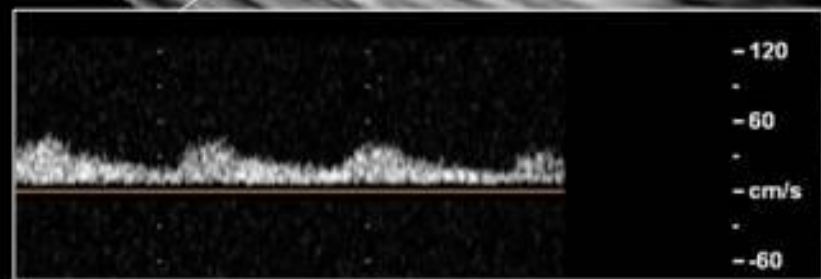
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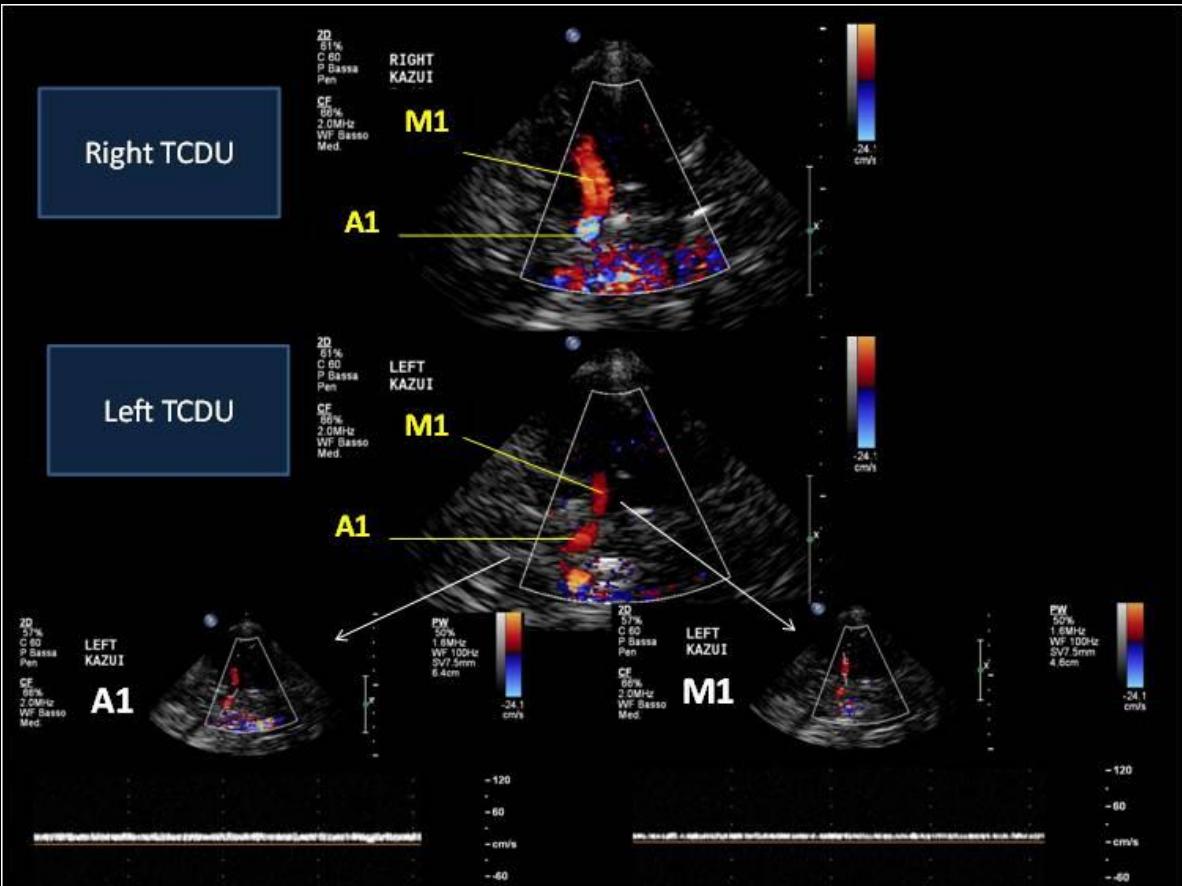
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Patient undergoing brain protection using **unilateral cerebral perfusion** via right axillary artery:



On the **right side** TCDU shows a normal color Doppler velocity pattern of the segments M1 (red) and A1 (blue).

On the **left side** TCDU shows a reversed blood flow (red) in the segment A1 of the anterior cerebral artery due to the activation of collateral flow through the anterior part of the circle of Willis.

Between 1 January 2010 and 31 December 2011,
29 consecutive patients underwent to TCDU monitoring during
hypothermic circulatory arrest.

In 28/29 cases (96.5%) trans-temporal TCDU was successfully performed:

M1 segment of the MCA was visualized in all 28 cases (100%)

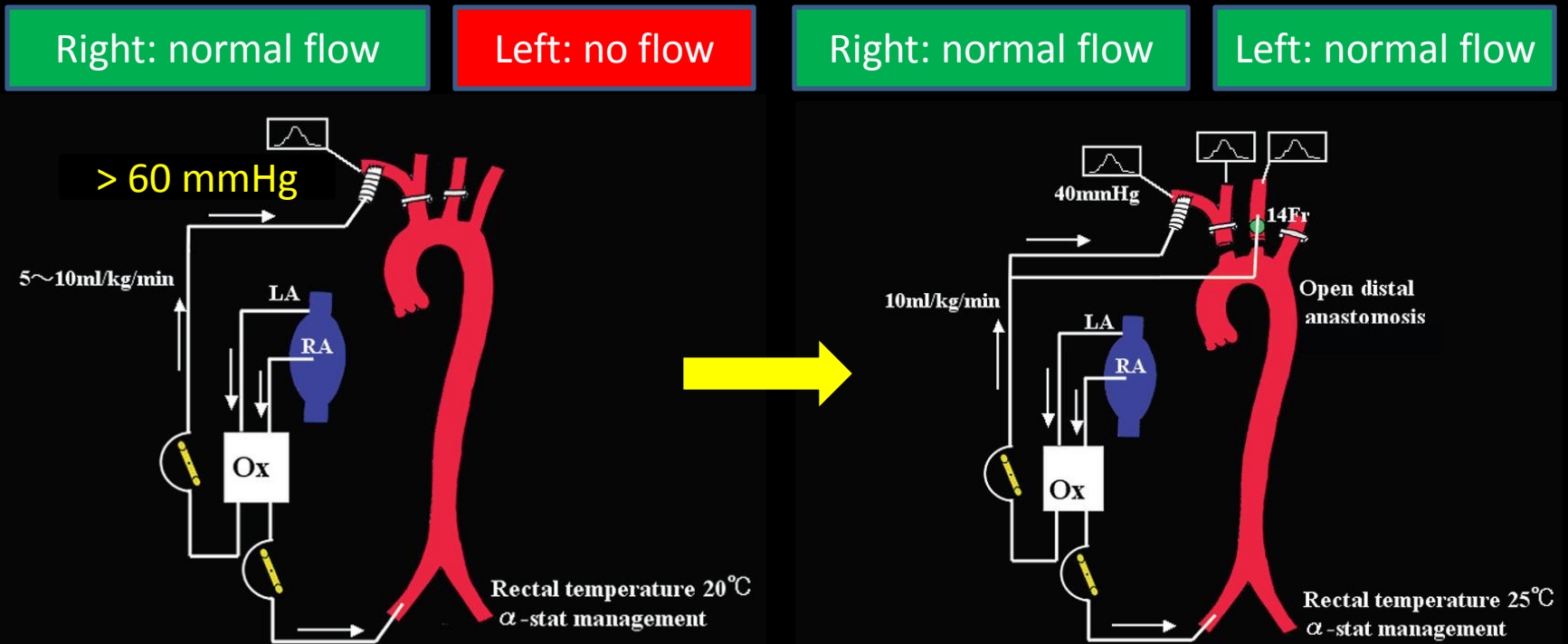
M2 in 22 patients (78.5 %)

P1 segment of PCA in 26 patients (92.8 %)

P2 in 19 patients (67.8%)

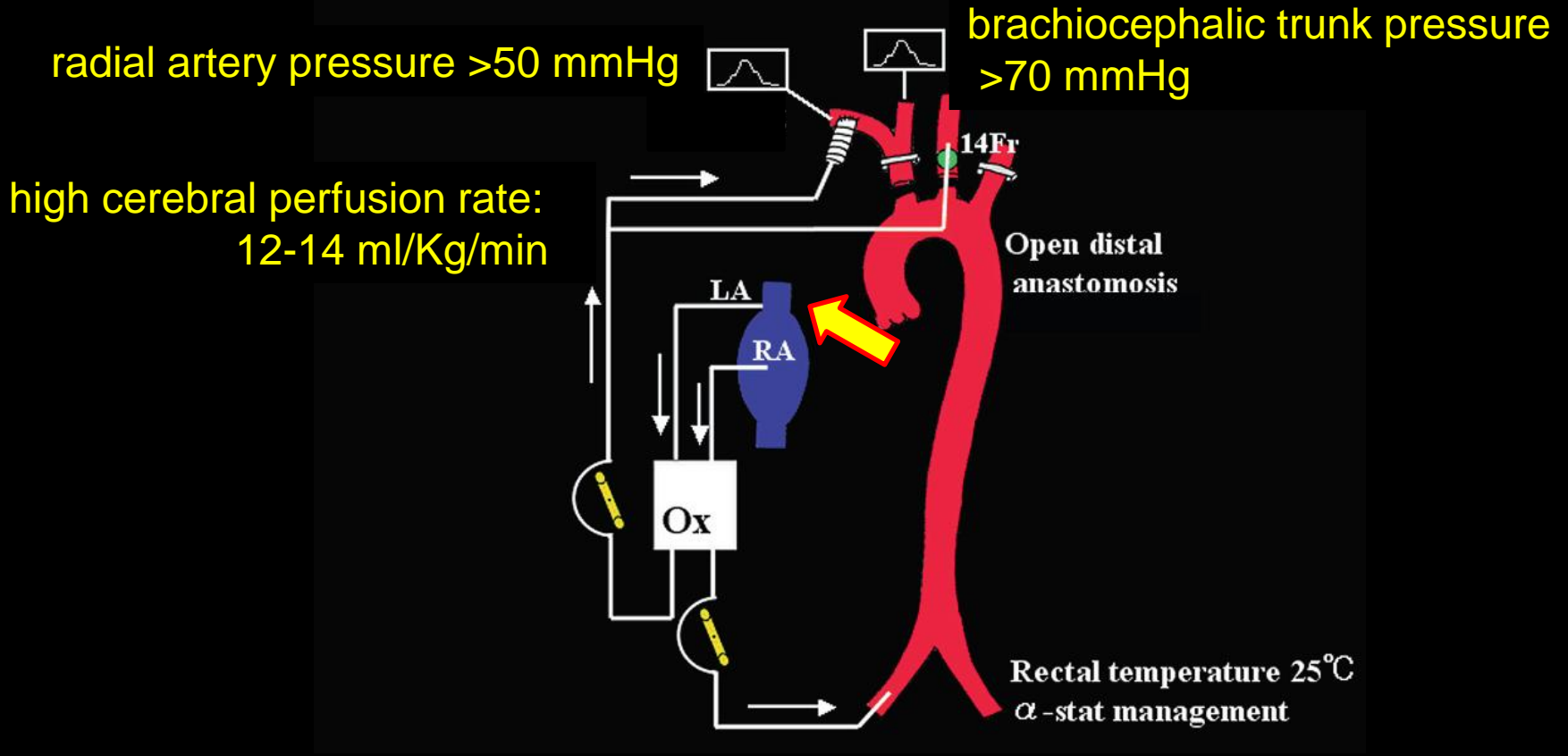
There was 3/29 (10.3 %) of perioperative mortality:
cardiac failure in one patient
multi-organ failure in two patients.

Cases 5 and 6 were 87- and 69-year old male patients who underwent ascending aorta and total arch replacement.



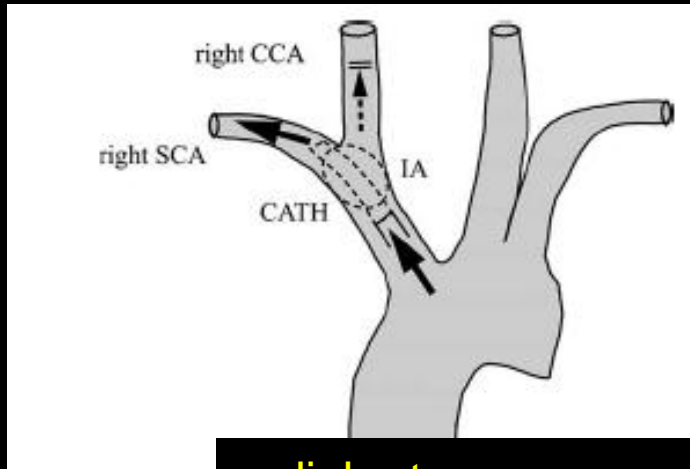
After the first two minutes of circulatory arrest, unilateral antegrade cerebral perfusion through the brachio-cephalic trunk was started.

Case 16 was a 62 year old male patient who underwent ascending aorta replacement. Three minutes after ASCP was started, blood flow resulted bilaterally undetectable by TCDU despite:



Surgeon checked the ASCP circuit: an accidental occlusion of the venous cannula inserted into superior vena cava was detected.

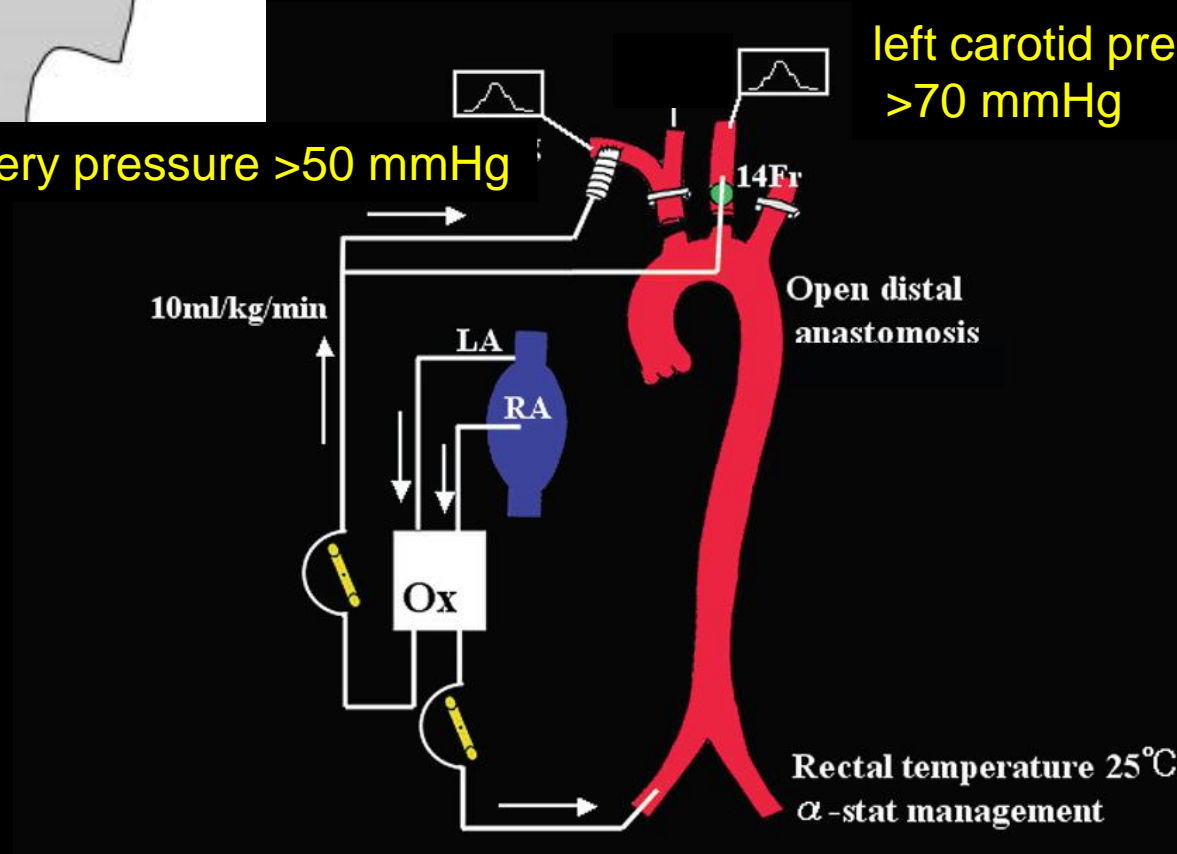
As the obstruction was released, blood flow became detectable bilaterally.



Case 17 was a 59 year old male patient who underwent ascending aorta replacement. After ASCP was started, TCDU showed a severely reduced blood flow in the right middle and posterior cerebral arteries despite:

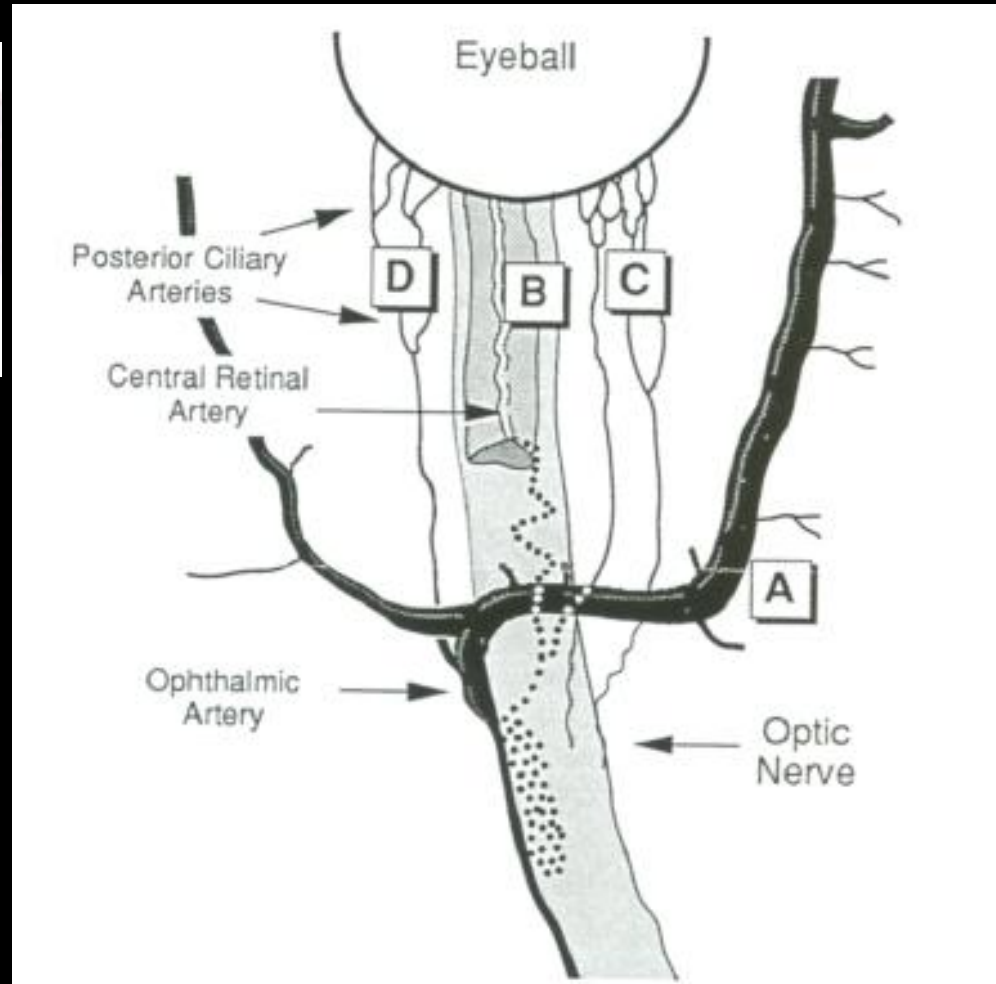
radial artery pressure >50 mmHg

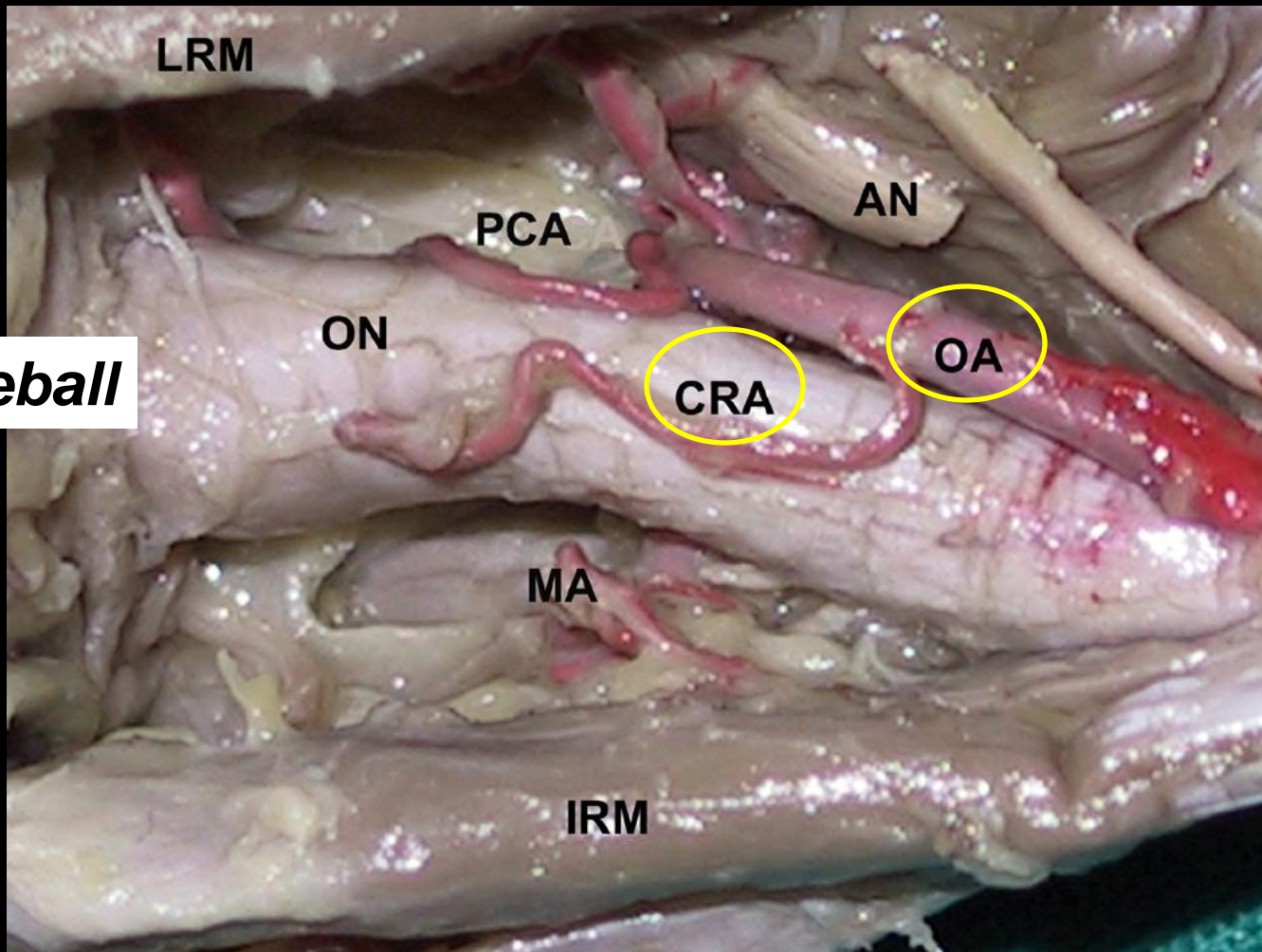
left carotid pressure >70 mmHg



The surgeon withdrew the catheter by a few centimeters into the brachiocephalic trunk and TCDU showed immediate normalization of cerebral blood flow.

Trans-orbital echography



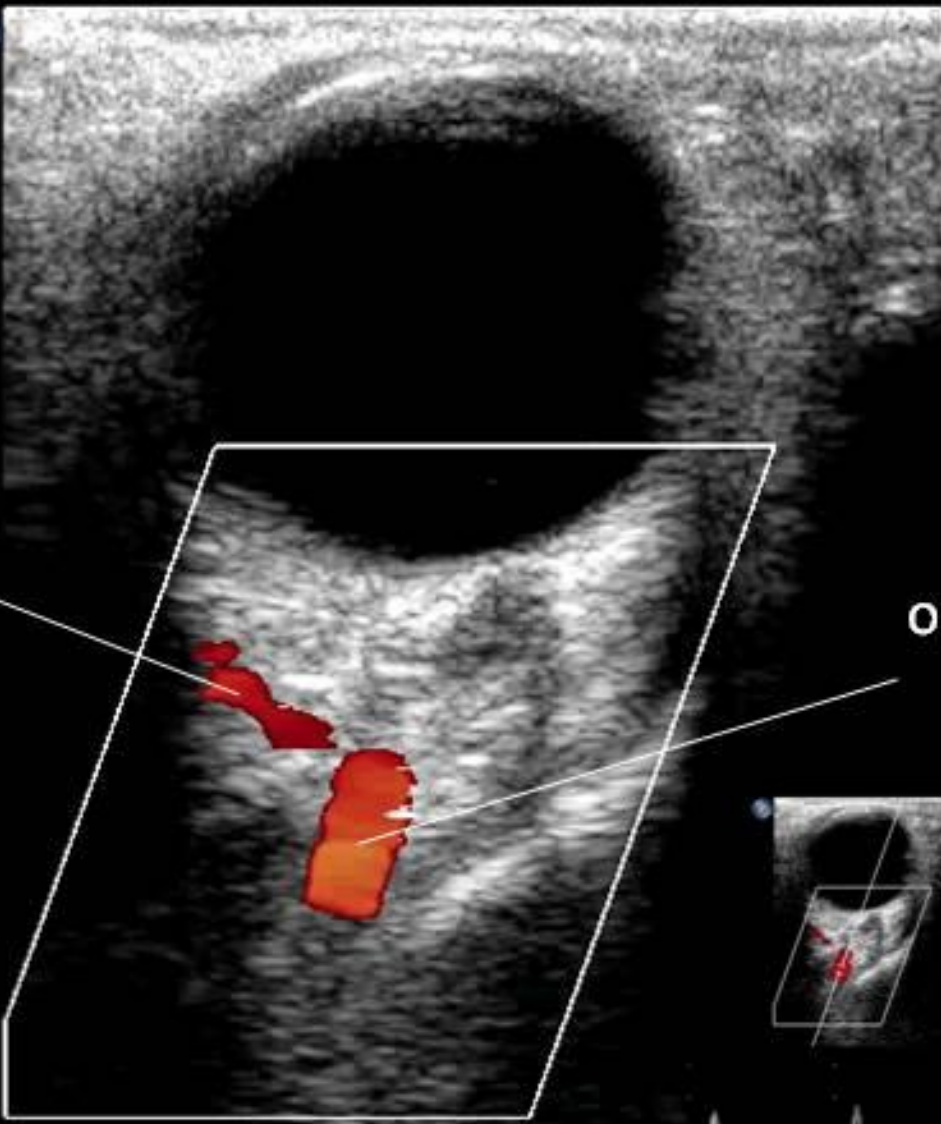


Course of the intra-orbital part of central retinal artery

OA: ophthalmic artery; **CRA:** central retinal artery;
ON: optic nerve; **AN:** abducens nerve; **LRM:** lateral rectus muscle; **IRM:** inferior rectus muscle;
MA: muscular arteries; **PCA:** posterior ciliary artery; **E:** eyeball

2D
48%
C 52
P Basso
Pen
CE
77%
3.6MHz
WF Basso
Med

P



ophthalmic artery

ophthalmic artery



FR 24Hz 44°
5.0cm

2D
51%
C 52
P Bassa
Pen

CF
77%
3.6MHz
WF Basso
Med.



PW
40%
3.6MHz
WF 50Hz
SV 1.5mm
3.0cm



CPB

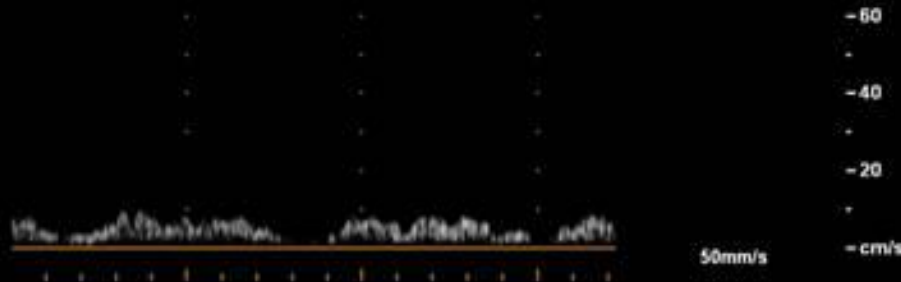


-
-40
-20
-
- cm/s

ASCP



RSCP



-60
-40
-20
-
- cm/s

TCDU advantages in aortic surgery

- it was applied easily in all patients
- it was applied without adjunctive costs. TCDU examinations were performed by using a “cardiologic” probe, widely available on all current ultrasound equipment
- it allowed to obtain early detection of perfusion abnormalities, preventing neurological consequences
- allows to assess, in case of the unilateral cerebral perfusion is adopted, the proper blood flow to the contra-lateral hemisphere
- it allowed to optimize cerebral perfusion rate, avoiding “hyper-perfusion” phenomenon and consequent brain damage
- it was an essential tool to guide RSCP perfusion rate.

*Thank you for
your attention*



Conclusions

Different types of cerebral perfusions protect the brain during circulatory arrest

- **Different techniques may be performed according to the complexity of the procedure** and the expected duration of the circulatory arrest:
 - circulatory arrest not longer than 15-20 min: deep hypothermia
 - prolonged circulatory arrest: selective anterograde cerebral perfusion (Kazui) provides the same brain perfusion as a standard CPB, maintaining an adequate cerebral blood supply at moderate hypothermia.
 - acute aortic dissection type A and aortic re-do: cannulation of right axillary artery (+ left carotid artery)



**Monitoring with both NIRS and transcranial
echo color Doppler**

Conclusions (2)

- **PND** occurs secondary to embolic phenomena, adverse sequelae of atherosclerotic aortic pathology. A positive relationship between TCD-detected cerebral emboli and the atheromatous burden of the ascending aorta and aortic arch.
- A potential interaction exists between PND and TND: prolonged ischemic periods may aggravate the size of an embolic defect (“ischemic penumbra”) causing clinical neurological symptoms



Monitoring with both NIRS and transcranial echo color Doppler

- There is a correlation between **TND** and duration of cerebral perfusion technique
- There is a correlation between **TND** and age
- If changes in cognitive function occur, they are dependent on CP duration, microemboli, CPB itself (inflammatory response, SIRS), patient characteristics

Type A aortic dissection

Age (years, means \pm SD, range)	66.2 \pm 9.37, range 40-87
Sex (m/f)	19/9
Hypertension %	24 (68.5%)
CAD %	4 (11.4%)
Preoperative ischemic brain damage %	1 (2.8%)
COPD %	7 (20%)
Diabetes mellitus %	3 (8.5%)
Smoking %	15 (42.8%)

Operative procedures	
Ascending aorta with hemi-arch %	14 (%)
Arch replacement %	4 (%)
Ascending aorta replacement %	10 (%)
Associated procedures	
Aortic valve replacement %	1 (%)
Aortic root %	3 (%)

Four different phases of the operation for TCDU application

- 1) The First control is made before going on extracorporeal circulation (ECC) to seek the spot with the best window and familiarize with the patient vascular anatomy
- 2) The Second control is made at full flow on ECC to evaluate whether or not the cerebral arteries are adequately perfused either by the true or false aortic lumen.
- 3) The Third control is made, once reached the target temperature and the selective cerebral perfusion is started, to optimize the cerebral flow.
- 4) Fourth and last control is made once the anterograde flow of the ECC is restarted for the whole body rewarming.

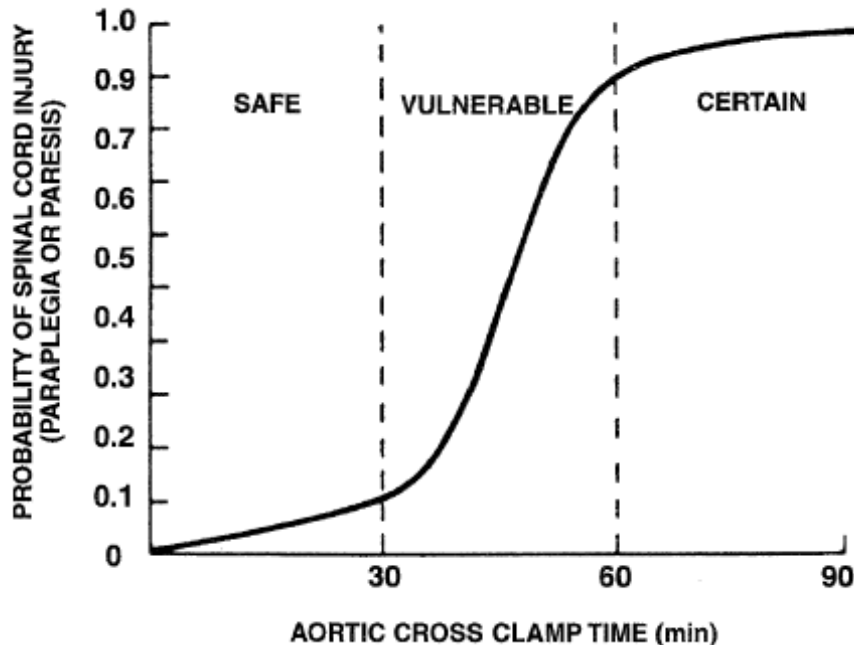
Editorial

The brain, the spinal cord, selective antegrade cerebral perfusion and corporeal arrest temperature – are we reducing the margin of patient safety in aortic arch surgery?

AM Ranasinghe, Birmingham, UK

Spinal cord injury

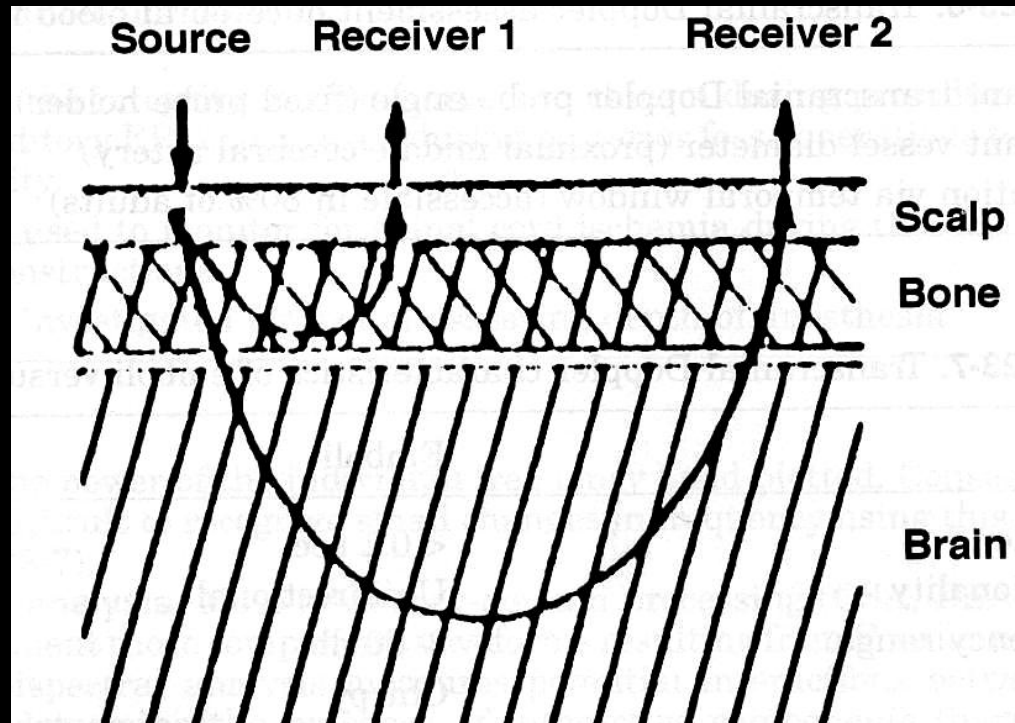
Descending aorta cross-clamping



*Short or small anterior spinal artery
→ importance of intercostal arteries
and Adamkevitz
→ open back-bleeding intercostal
arteries create a steal phenomenon
as blood is shunted from spinal
arteries to intercostals.*

- Intraoperative hypotension
- Thromboembolic occlusion
- Reperfusion injury and edema

Near-Infrared Spectroscopy (NIRS)



Total cortical O₂ saturation (venous, capillary, and arteriolar) is represented by the intensity difference between the superficial and deep sensors.

Intraoperative cerebral oxygen desaturation is significantly associated with an increased risk of cognitive decline and prolonged hospital stay after CABG

Slater et al., Ann Thorac Surg 2009;87:36-45.



INTERVENTIONS:

Increasing PaCO₂, increasing systemic arterial blood pressure, adjusting pump flow rate or anesthetic depth, reduction of temperature, blood transfusion.

Cardiac surgery in octogenarians

Peri-operative outcome and long-term results

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Table 2 Operative results

Eur Heart J 2001;22:1235-1243.

Variable	AVR (n=100)* No. of patients	CABG (n=70) No. of patients (%)	MVR (n=12) No. of patients (%)
Deaths	14		
Cerebrovascular accident	2		
Myocardial infarction	7		
Pneumonia	15		
Prolonged mechanical ventilation (>48 h)	24	11 (16)	1 (8)
Permanent pacing	5	—	2 (16)
Dialysis	4	2 (3)	3 (25)
Arrhythmias	24	17 (24)	3 (25)
Reoperation for bleeding	5	2 (3)	—
Reoperation for sternal instability	1	2 (3)	—
Pericardial drainage	4	—	—
Hospital stay (days)	19.6 ± 11.4	17.8 ± 10.5	16.6 ± 8.9
Prolonged hospital stay (>14 days)	46	41 (58)	5 (42)
ICU stay (days)	7.8 ± 9.5	5.8 ± 5.2	7.6 ± 9.8

Ascending aortic atheromatous disease was predictive of stroke

2.8%

Abbreviations as for Table 1.

*In the aortic valve replacement group, n=100 (obtained by adding 70 patients with aortic valve replacement alone and 30 patients with aortic valve replacement+CABG). Therefore, all absolute numbers are also percentages.

Pre-operative risk factors associated with operative mortality were NYHA functional class IV, prolonged CBP time, and urgent procedure

Moderate Hypothermia and Unilateral Selective Antegrade Cerebral Perfusion: A Contemporary Cerebral Protection Strategy for Aortic Arch Surgery

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Table 3. Perioperative Data and Outcomes

Variable/Outcome	Number (%) or Mean \pm SD (n = 412)
Temperature: HCA ($^{\circ}$ C)	25.7 \pm 2.8
Cardiopulmonary bypass time (minutes)	193 \pm 64
Cross-clamp time (minutes)	150 \pm 60
Circulatory arrest time (minutes)	30 \pm 15
Mortality	29 (7.0)
PND	15 (3.6)
TND	21 (5.1)
Renal failure-dialysis	19 (4.6)
Hospital LOS (days)	10.3 \pm 7.5

HCA = hypothermic circulatory arrest; LOS = length of stay; PND = permanent neurologic dysfunction; TND = temporary neurologic dysfunction.

PND is the result of embolic phenomena, directly related to the site of arterial cannulation into the innominate and left common arteries (Kazui method), especially in patients with atheromatous aortic disease.

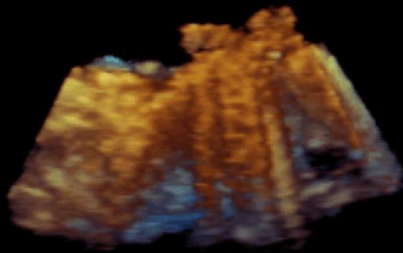
The method of cerebral perfusion has no effect on the incidence of PND, but significantly impacts the incidence of TND

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3D 47%
3D 40dB



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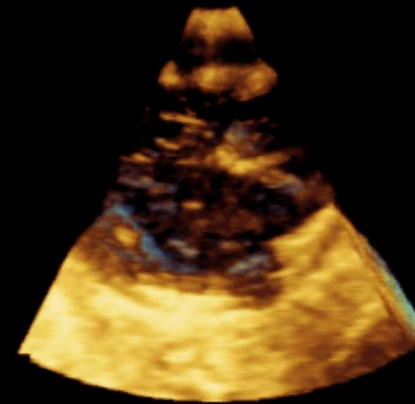
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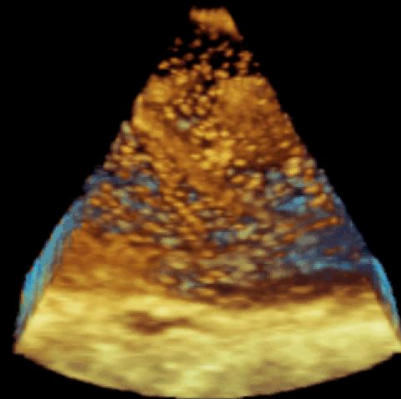


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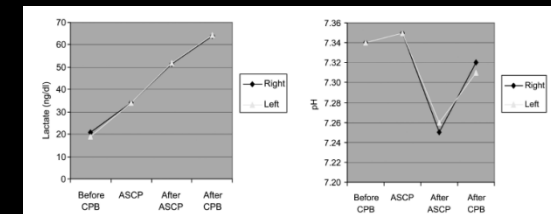
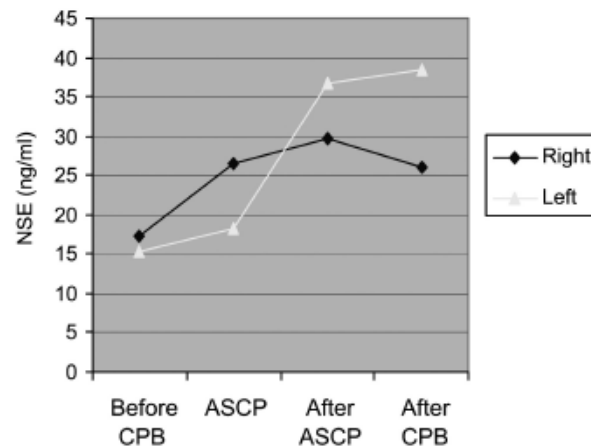
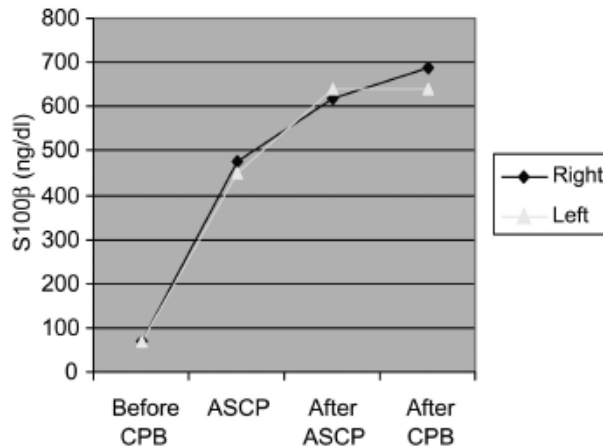


Institutional report - Vascular thoracic Neurochemical markers during selective cerebral perfusion via the right brachial artery

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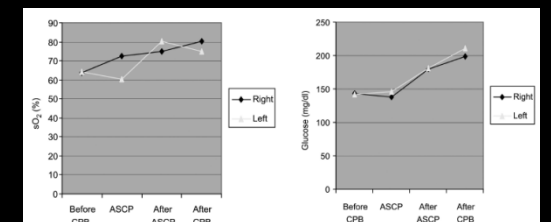
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At the initiation of antegrade perfusion, visual assessment of the returning blood through left common carotid and subclavian arteries has been one of the valuable proofs of contralateral hemispheric perfusion



Lactate

pH



sO₂

Glucose

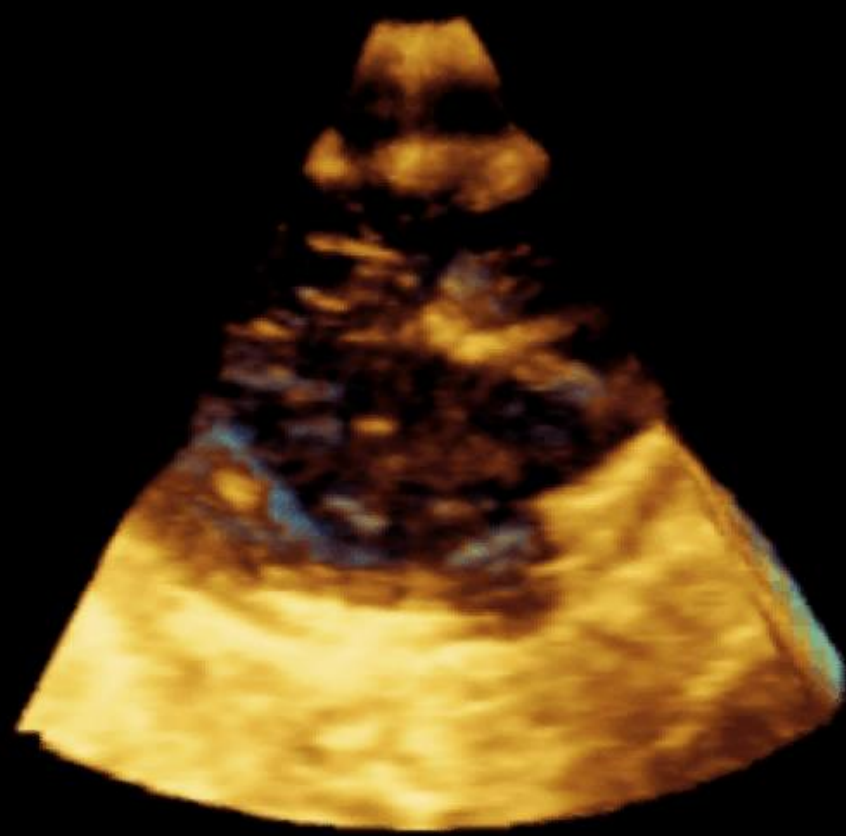
Markers of damage to neuronal (NSE) and glial (S 100 β) brain tissue are significantly associated with early neuropsychological outcome of cardiac surgery with CPB

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Cerebral functions and metabolism after antegrade selective cerebral perfusion in aortic arch surgery[☆]

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17 patients aortic arch surgery using Kazui procedure at 26° C
15 patients elective on-pump CABG



cerebral positron emission tomography (PET)

Mean ASCP time
85.7 min

- No evidence of ischemic brain injury after ACP; only some degree of reversible brain edema secondary to CPB (increased permeability of the blood-brain barrier due to inflammatory response)
- Cognitive outcomes comparable to patients undergoing coronary artery bypass
- The lack of the left subclavian artery perfusion during cerebral perfusion leads to temporary glucose hypometabolism in the occipital lobes without neuronal injury

Antegrade selective cerebral perfusion in thoracic aorta surgery: safety of moderate hypothermia[☆]

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Group B (116 patients): T nasoph $< 25^{\circ}\text{C}$

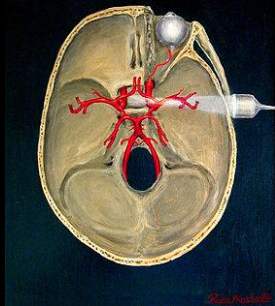
In both groups there was no statistically significant difference in:

Variables	Group A (n = 189)	Group B (n = 116)	p
In-hospital mortality (%)			
Overall patients	24 (12.7)	16 (13.8)	0.862
Urgent/emergent surgery	9/61 (14.8)	10/48 (20.8)	0.656
Permanent neurologic deficit	6 (3.1)	2 (1.7)	0.715
Transient neurologic deficit	15 (7.9)	10 (8.6)	0.833
Pulmonary complications	28 (14.8)	15 (12.9)	0.736
Renal failure (dialysis)	9 (4.8)	9 (7.8)	0.203
Myocardial infarction	7 (3.7)	2 (1.7)	0.491
Bleeding (rethoracotomy)	16 (8.5)	11 (9.5)	0.836

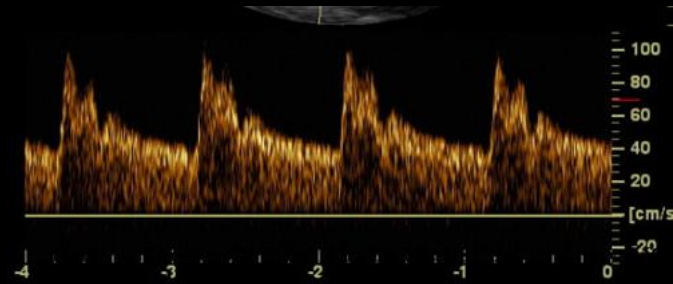
Variables	Group A (n = 189)	Group B (n = 116)	p
CBP time (min, mean \pm SD)	193.6 \pm 59.4	189 \pm 65.9	0.526
Myocardial ischemic time (min, mean \pm SD)	131.1 \pm 45	119.8 \pm 49.9	0.041
ASCP time (min, mean \pm SD)	63 \pm 37.7	58.6 \pm 35.6	0.314
Nasopharyngeal temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$, mean \pm SD)	25.8 \pm 0.8	21.9 \pm 1.9	<0.001

RISK FACTOR ANALYSIS:

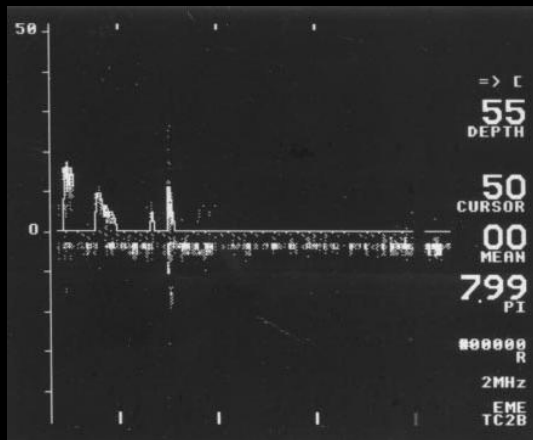
Multivariate risk factor analysis for in-hospital mortality, permanent neurologic deficit, and transient neurologic deficit			
	Odds ratio	95% CI	p
In-hospital mortality			
Chronic aortic dissection	3.88	1.01–14.77	0.046
CPB time	1.01/min	1.00–1.01	0.002
Permanent neurologic deficit			
CPB time	1.01/min	1.00–1.02	0.006
Transient neurologic deficit			
Age	1.12/year	1.07–1.24	<0.001
Female gender	3.4	1.11–10.64	0.032
Acute dissection	4.8	1.82–12.84	0.001
AVR	3.4	1.32–8.88	0.011



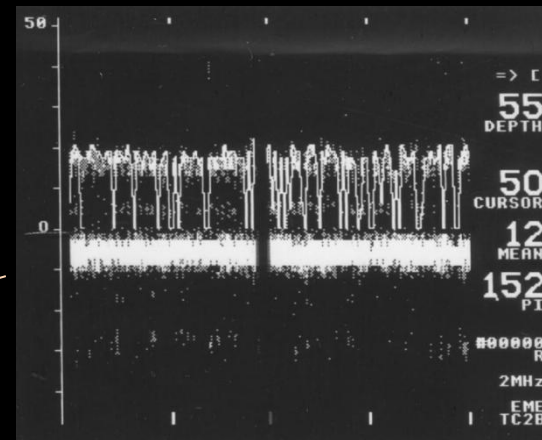
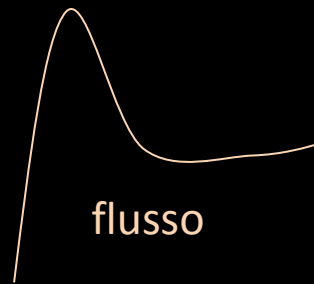
Transcranial Doppler



Left middle cerebral artery during SACP:



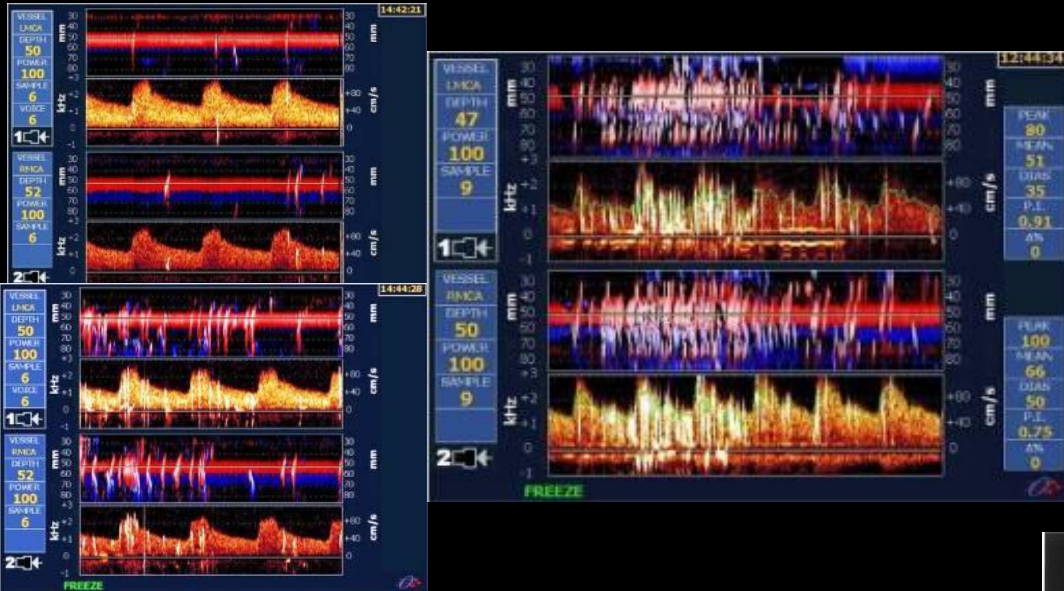
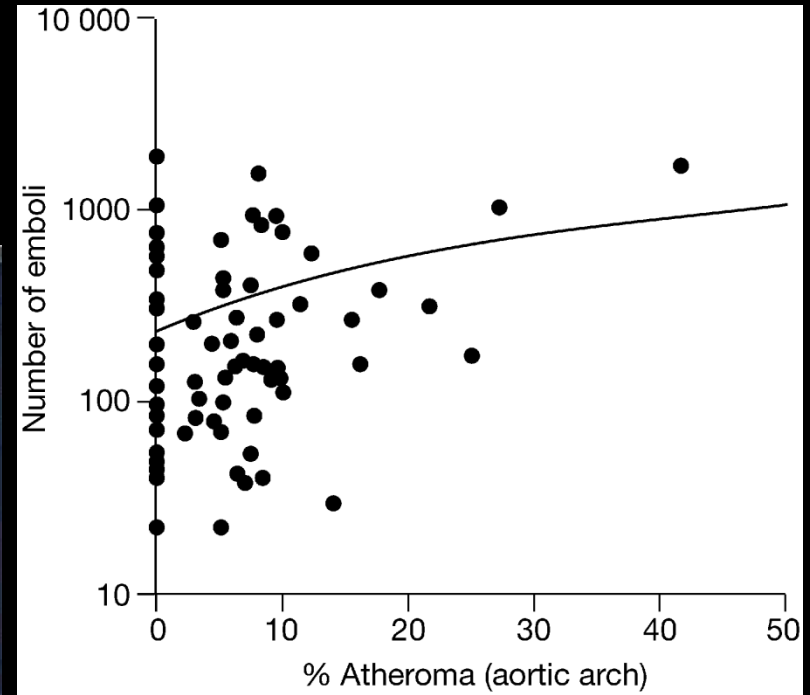
Perfusion of 300 ml/min
No flow is present



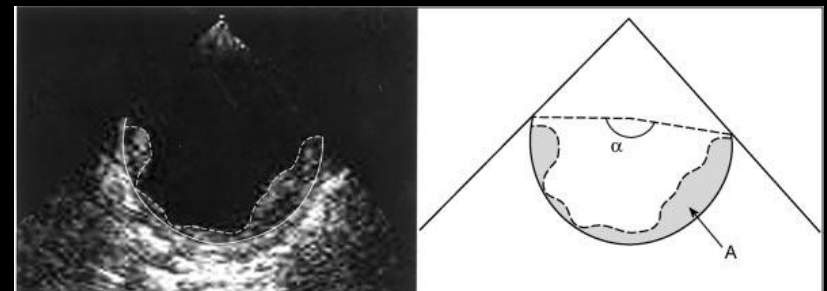
Perfusion of 550 ml/min
A mean flow of 12 cm/s is seen

A certain resistance in the brain has to be overcome and adequate cerebral blood flow has to be optimized in the individual patient

A positive relationship between TCD-detected cerebral emboli and the atheromatous burden of the ascending aorta and aortic arch.



Mackensen GB, Br J Anaesth 2003;91:656-61

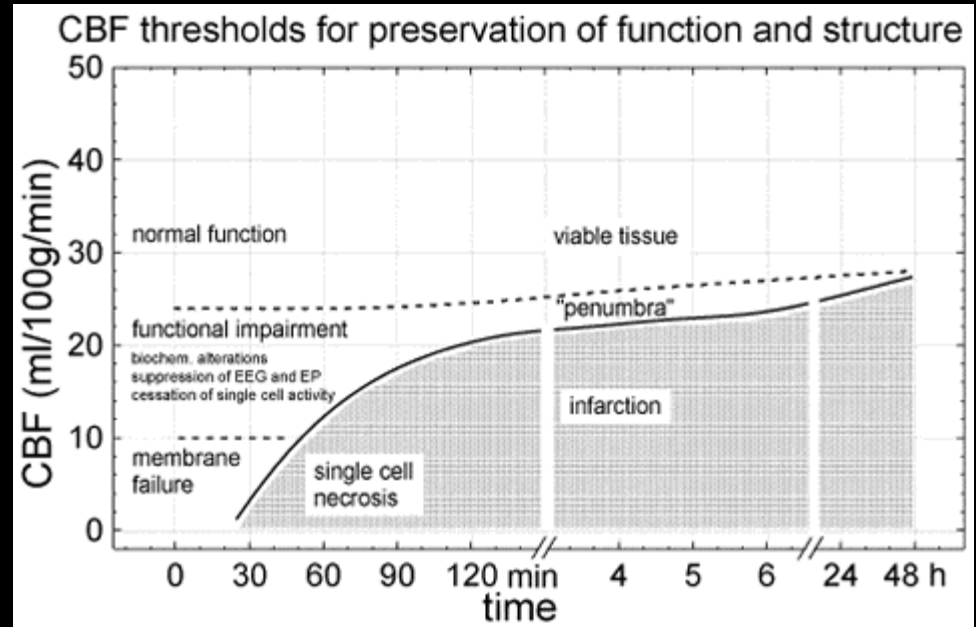
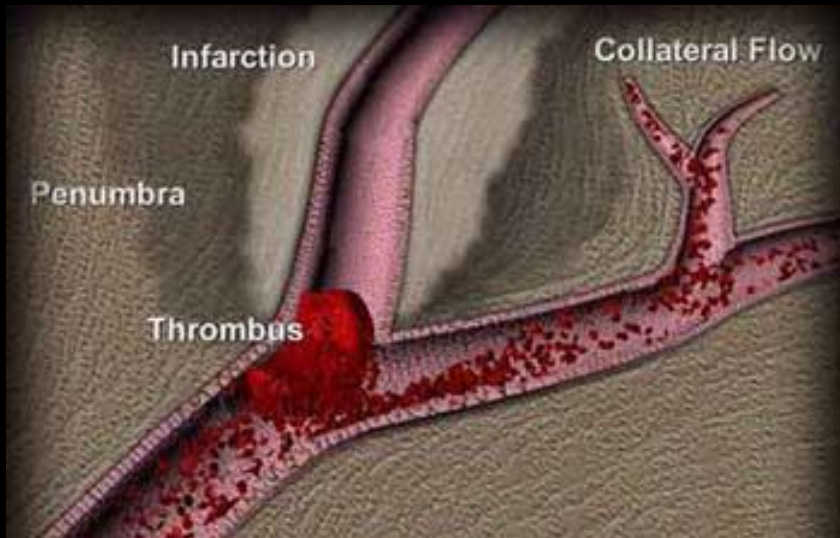


The atheroma burden in each aortic segment was determined as the ratio of the atheroma area (A) to the total area of the aortic segment visualized.

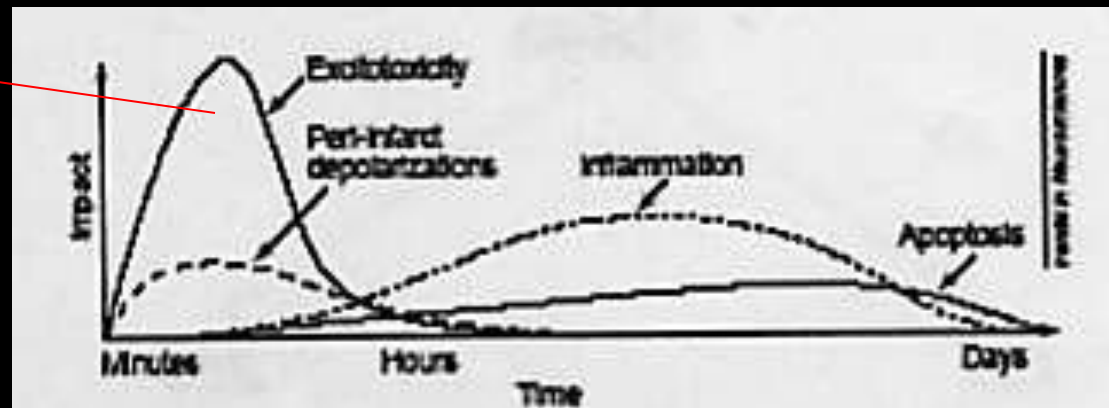
For the descending aorta, where the entire circumference could not always be visualized, the area of the visualized segment was adjusted according the angle (α) subtended by that segment.

The ischemic “penumbra”

tessuto ischemico potenzialmente recuperabile

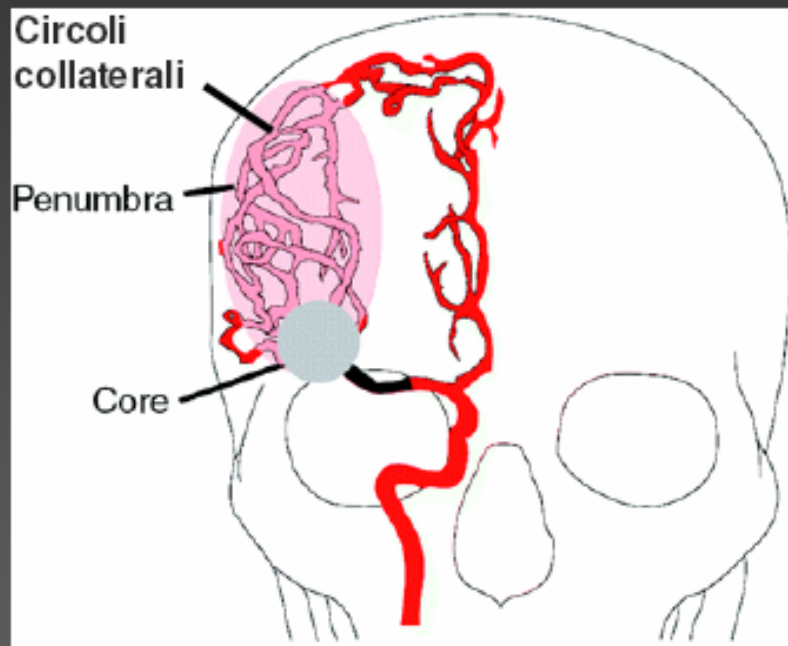


EXCITOTOXICITY:
excitatory amino-acid
(EAA, glutamate and
aspartate) release



“emboli clearance”

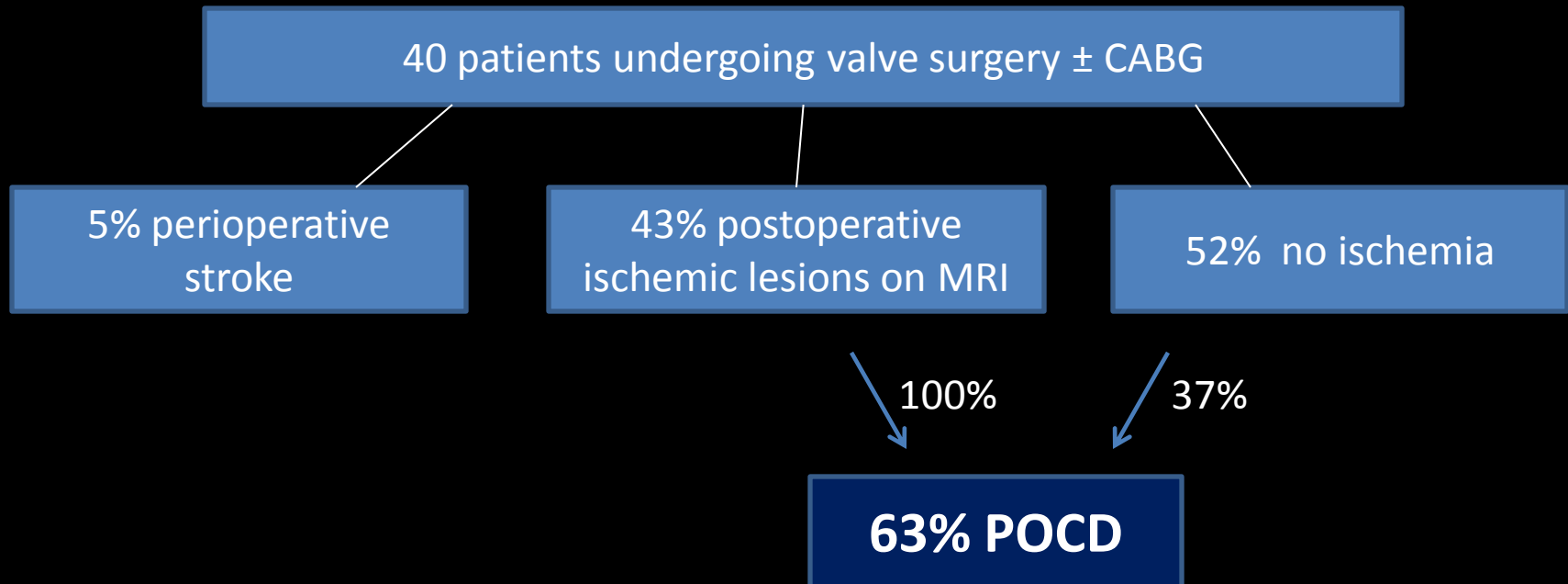
La **penombra ischemica** è un'area di tessuto cerebrale che si forma durante la fase acuta dell'ictus ischemico alla periferia del core ischemico ed appare:



- severamente **ipoperfusa**
 - **danneggiata in modo reversibile** perché funzionalmente compromessa, ma strutturalmente ancora integra grazie alla **vasodilatazione prodotta dalla apertura di circoli collaterali di compenso**
 - **ancora vitale e potenzialmente recuperabile** in caso di riperfusione
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- **a rischio di infarto** verso il quale evolve progressivamente **in circa 8-10** ore se non viene riperfusa (“time is brain”)

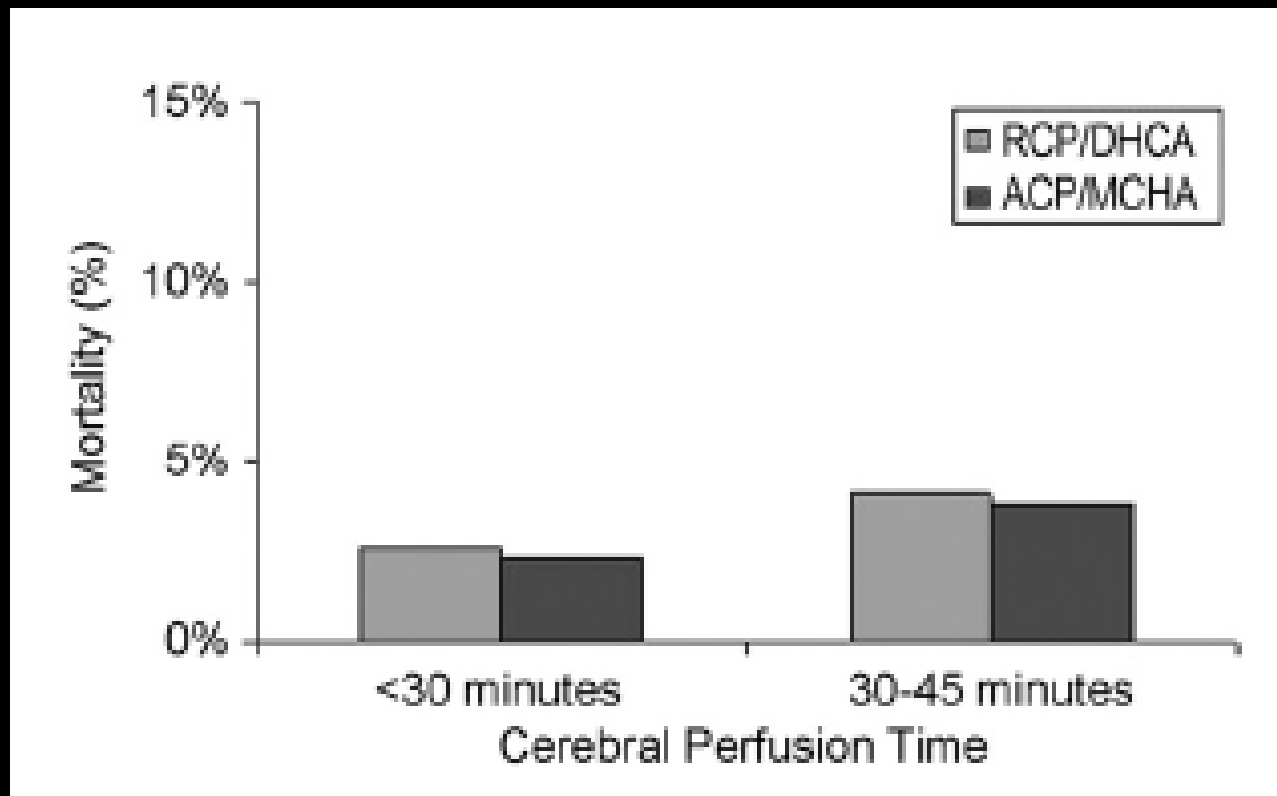
Cerebral Ischemic Lesions on Diffusion-Weighted Imaging Are Associated With Neurocognitive Decline After Cardiac Surgery

Stroke 2008;39:14



POCD is associated with perioperative ischemia and is more severe with greater ischemic load

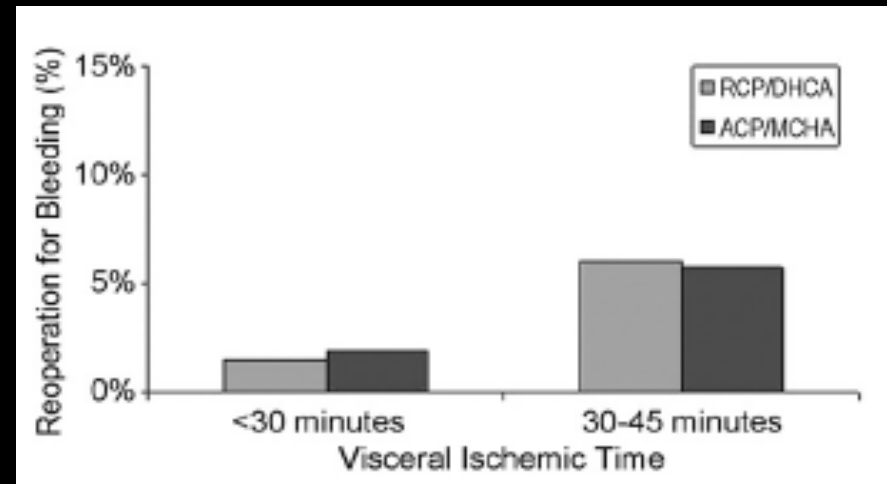
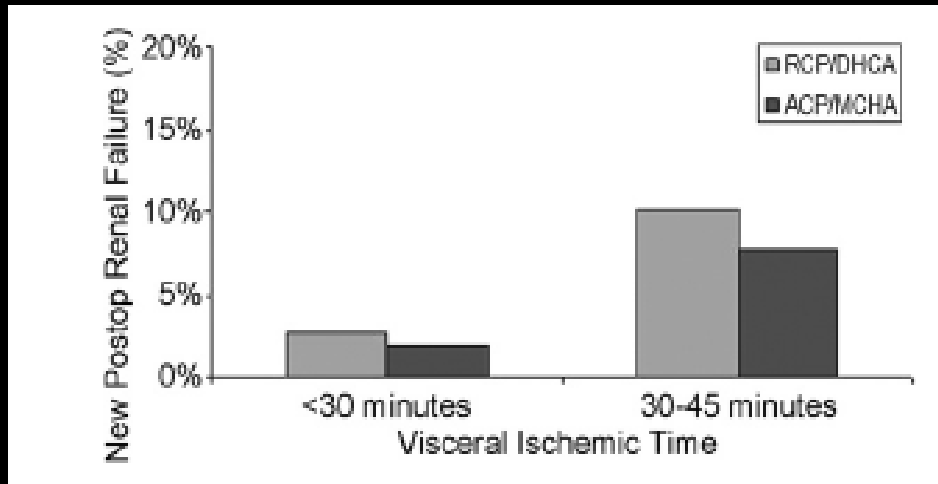
There is no significant difference in the incidence of in-hospital **mortality** between RCP/DHCA and ACP/MCHA



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New Postoperative Renal failure

Reoperation for Bleeding



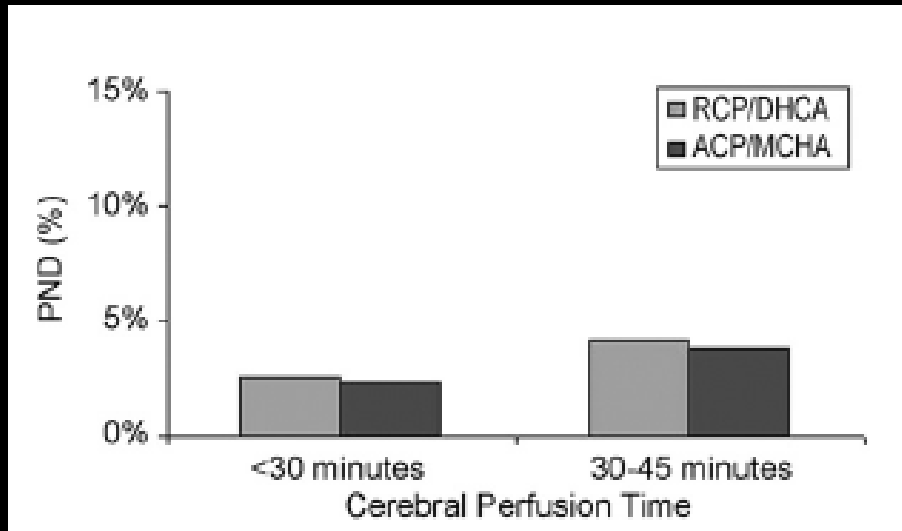
...for aortic reconstruction times less than 45 minutes!

Increasing visceral ischemic time can be associated with adverse “visceral” outcomes independent of technique

For arrest times > 60 min, ACP/DHCA is recommended to protect the **spinal cord** and visceral organs.

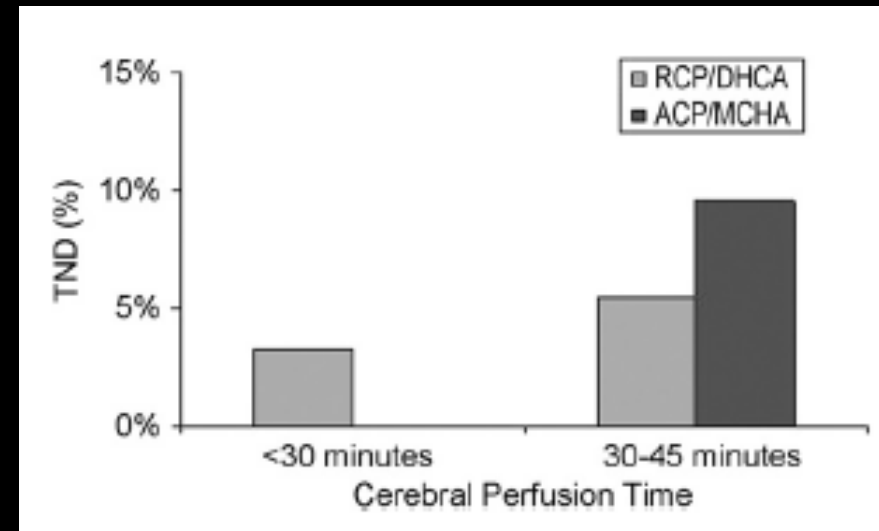


PND occurs secondary to embolic phenomena, not a result of global ischemia and is less dependent on the cerebral perfusion duration:



Permanent neurologic deficit

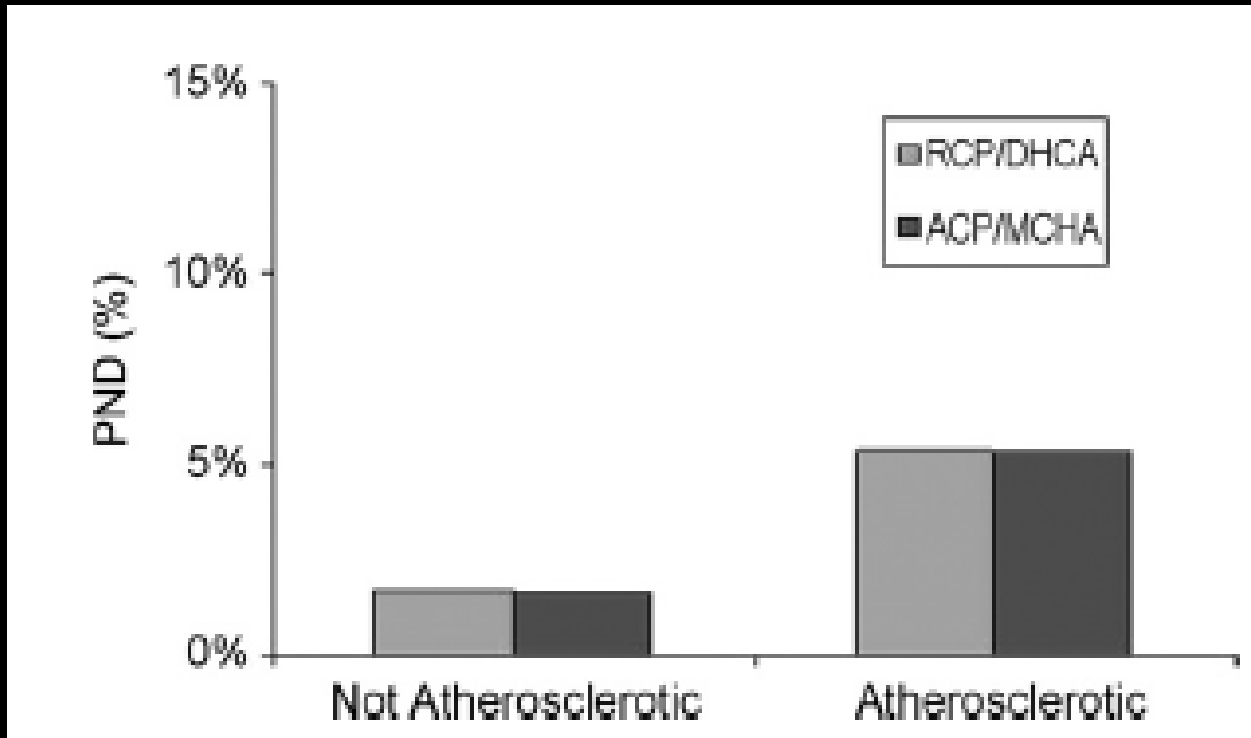
There is a correlation between **TND** and duration of cerebral perfusion technique:



Transient neurologic dysfunction

ACP/MCHA: nasopharyngeal temperature 26 °C, Kazui technique
RCP/DHCA: systemic cooling until EEG was isoelectric, perfusion 10°C

The risk of permanent neurologic deficit increases significantly with atherosclerotic versus nonatherosclerotic aortic aneurysm



PND correlates with the adverse sequelae of atherosclerotic aortic pathology