

# Arterial Physiology

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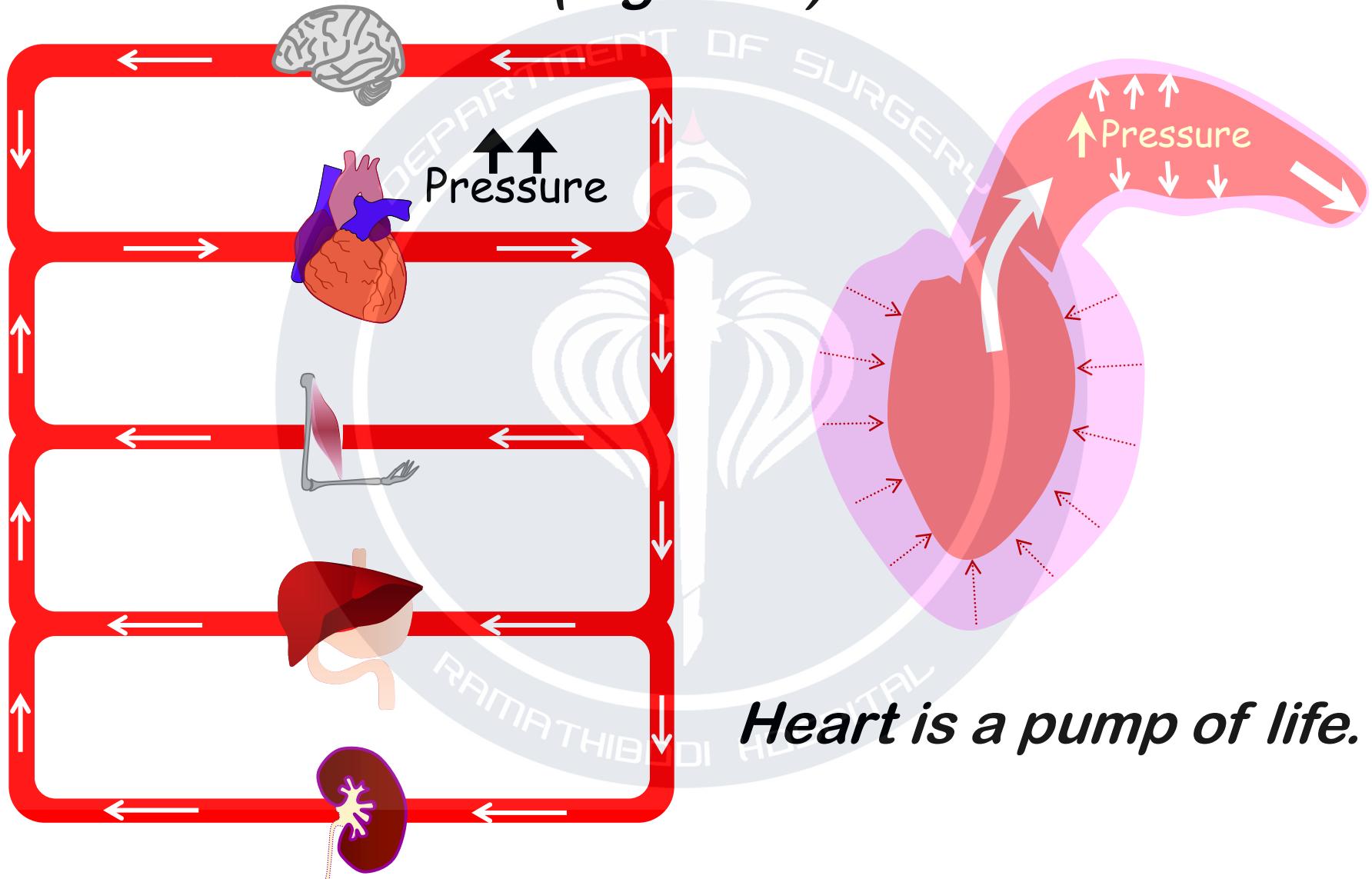
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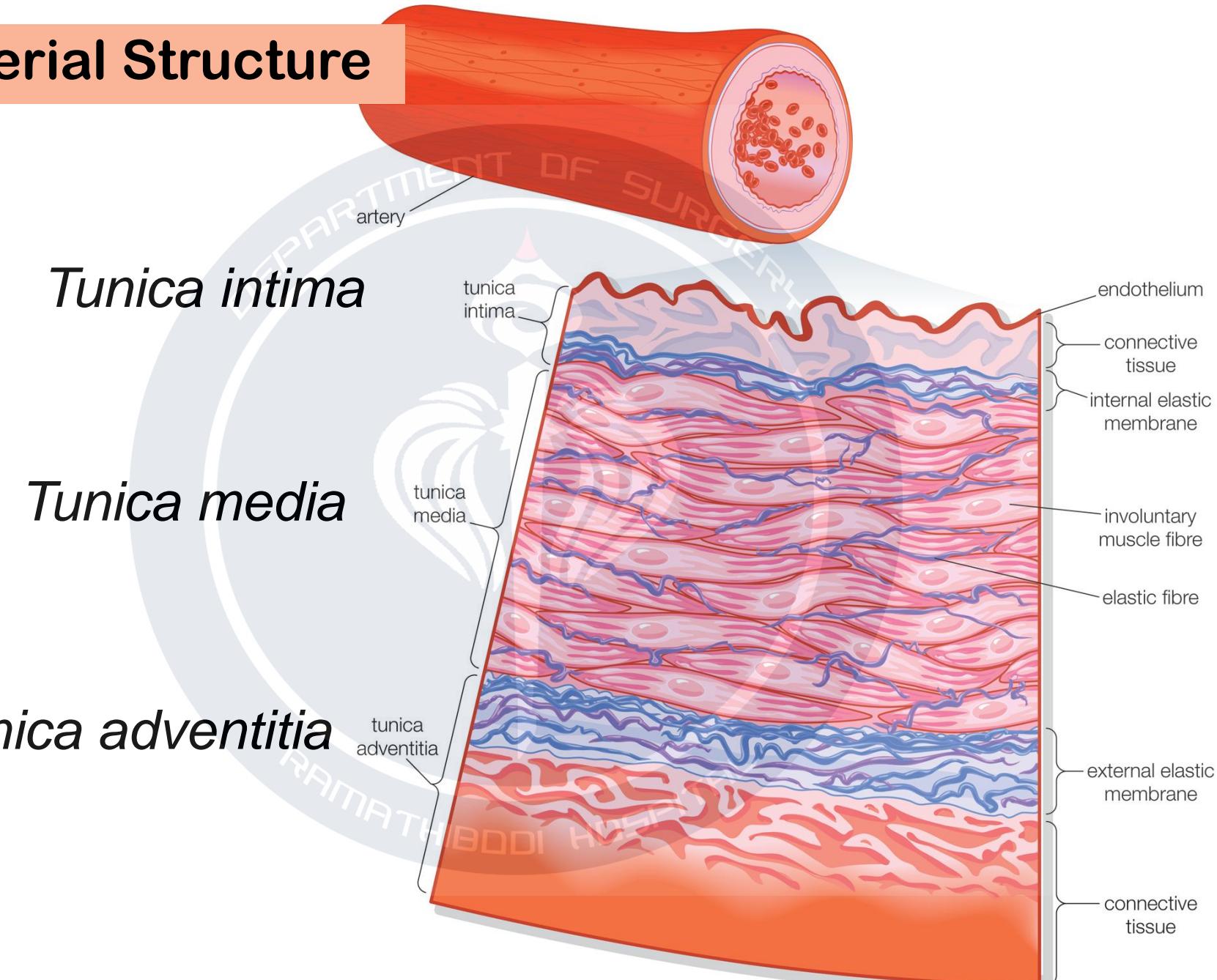
# Outline

- Arterial Structure
- Relationship between pressure gradient, fluid flow, and resistance to flow (Poiseuille's equation)
- Flow Pattern & Shear stress
- Arterial Stenosis
- Aneurysm
- Graft-Arterial Anastomosis

# *CVS is a food supplying system (logistic !)*



# Arterial Structure



# FLOW

$$\text{Flow } (\dot{Q}) \propto P_a - P_b$$

$$\dot{Q} \propto \frac{\Delta P}{R}$$

## Poiseuille's Law

$$R \propto \frac{8\eta L}{\pi r^4}$$

$r$  = radius of tube

$L$  = length of tube

$\eta$  = blood viscosity ( $\propto$  Hct)

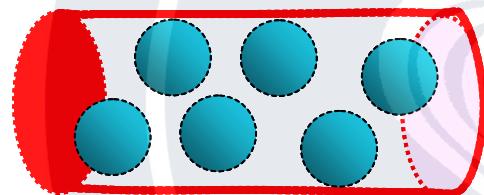


$$\dot{Q} \propto \frac{\Delta P \pi r^4}{8\eta L}$$

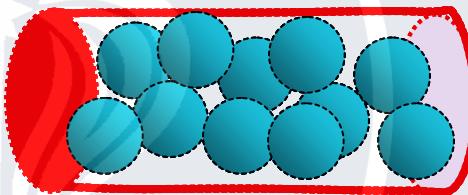
# Pressure Energy

$$\text{Pressure} = \frac{\text{Force}}{\text{Surface Area (Space)}}$$

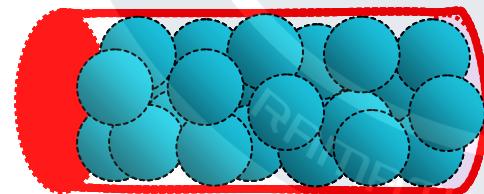
*Force = molecule – molecule interaction*



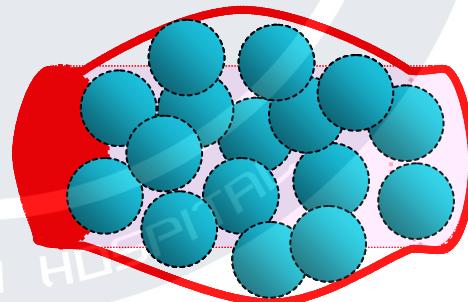
A



B



C

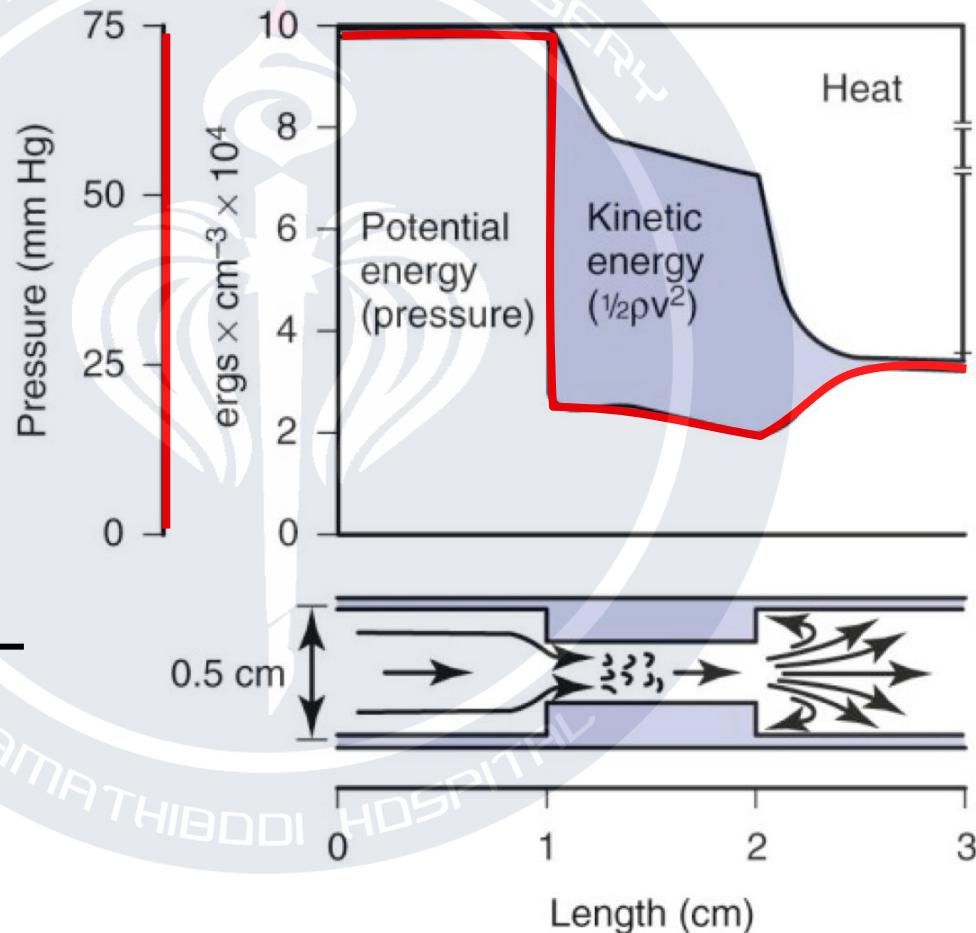


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# Arterial Stenosis

Stenosis induces viscous (inertia) energy losses ( $\Delta P$ ).

$$\Delta P = \dot{Q} \frac{8\eta L}{\pi r^4}$$



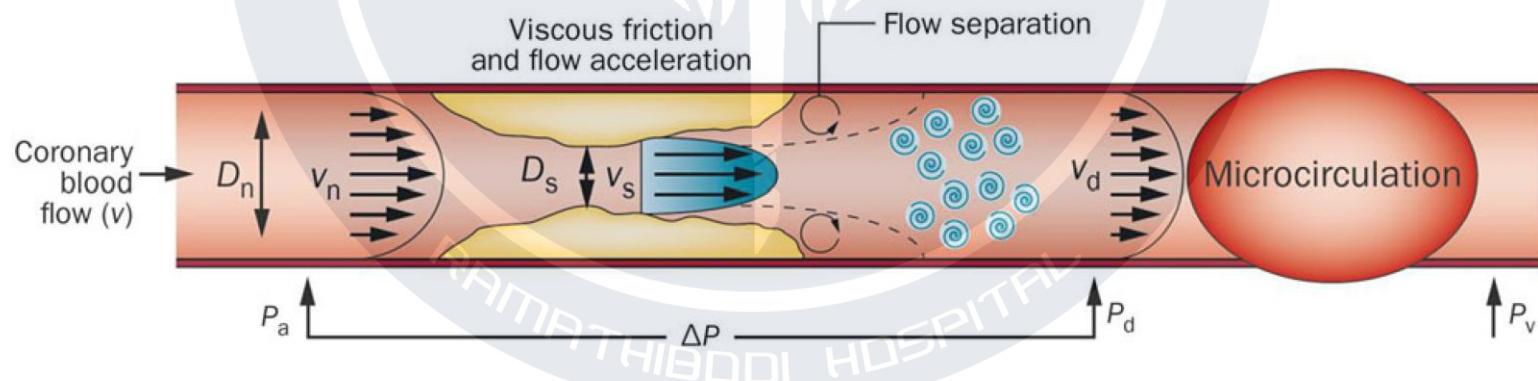
$$K.E. = 1/2 mv^2$$

[ $\rho$  = momentum]

# Fractional Flow Reserve

The intra-arterial pressure before and after a specific lesion

- Performed by catheterization
- Normal value is 1.0.
- FFR < 0.75-0.80 =MI (European Society of Cardiology)
- FFR < 0.8 needs revascularization



Van de Hoef et. al. 2013.

# Arterial Stenosis

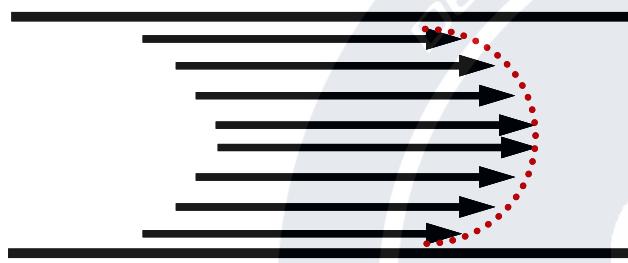
Factors affecting energy loss ( $\Delta P$ ) :

- Radius of stenosis ( $\Delta P \propto 1/r^4$ )
- Length of stenosis ( $\Delta P \propto L$ )
- Shape of fluid entrance & **exit (turbulence)**
- Asymmetrical or axisymmetrical stenosis
- Peripheral resistance (Runoff Diameter)

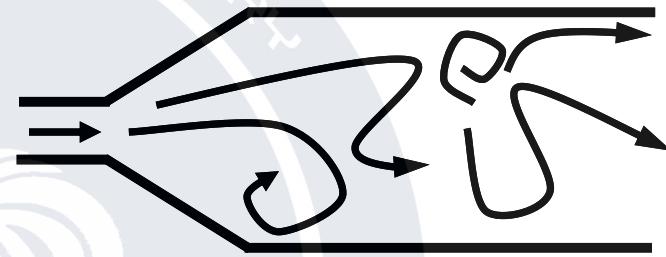


# Hemodynamics

## Flow: Two patterns



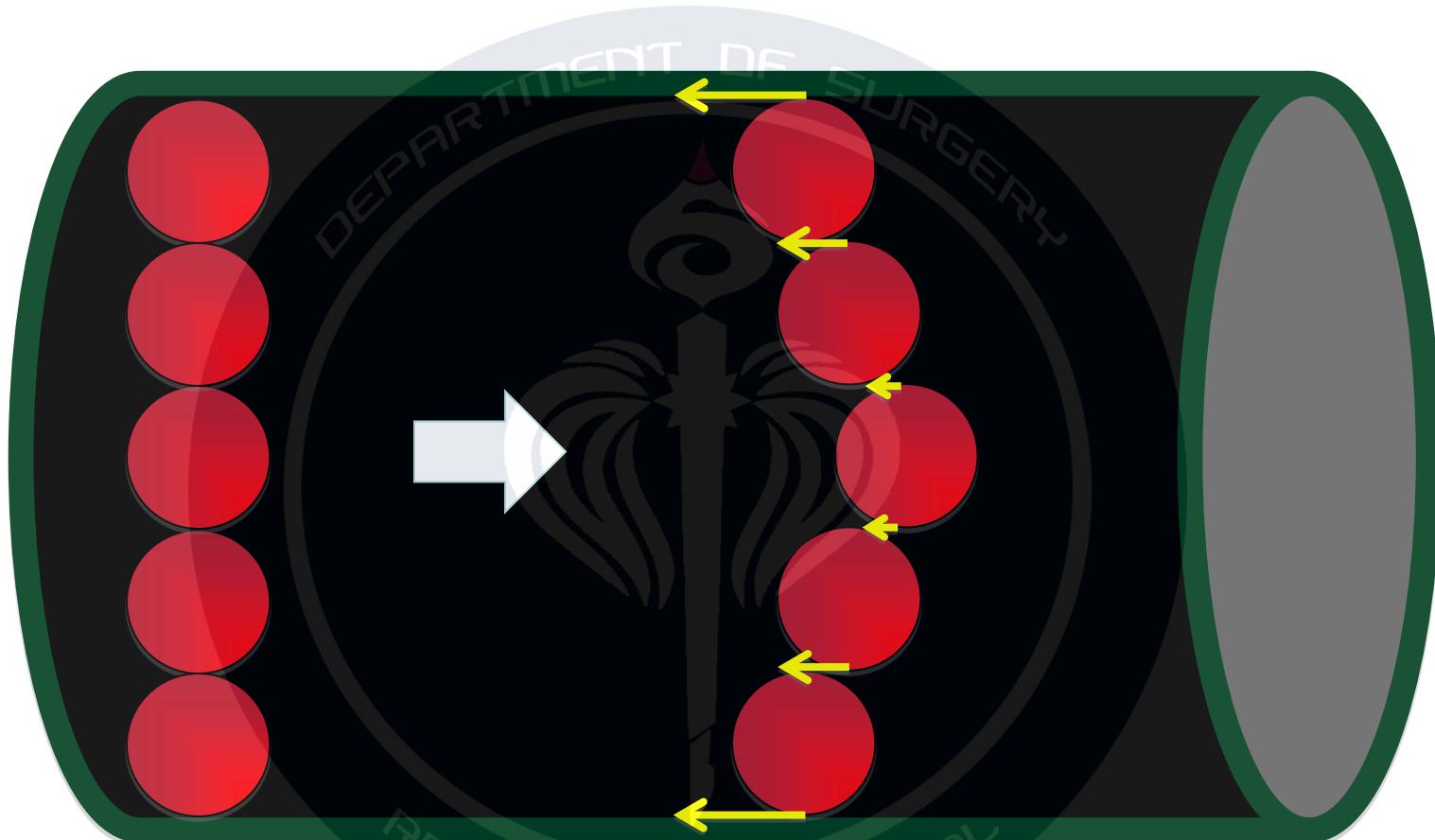
Laminar flow



Turbulent flow

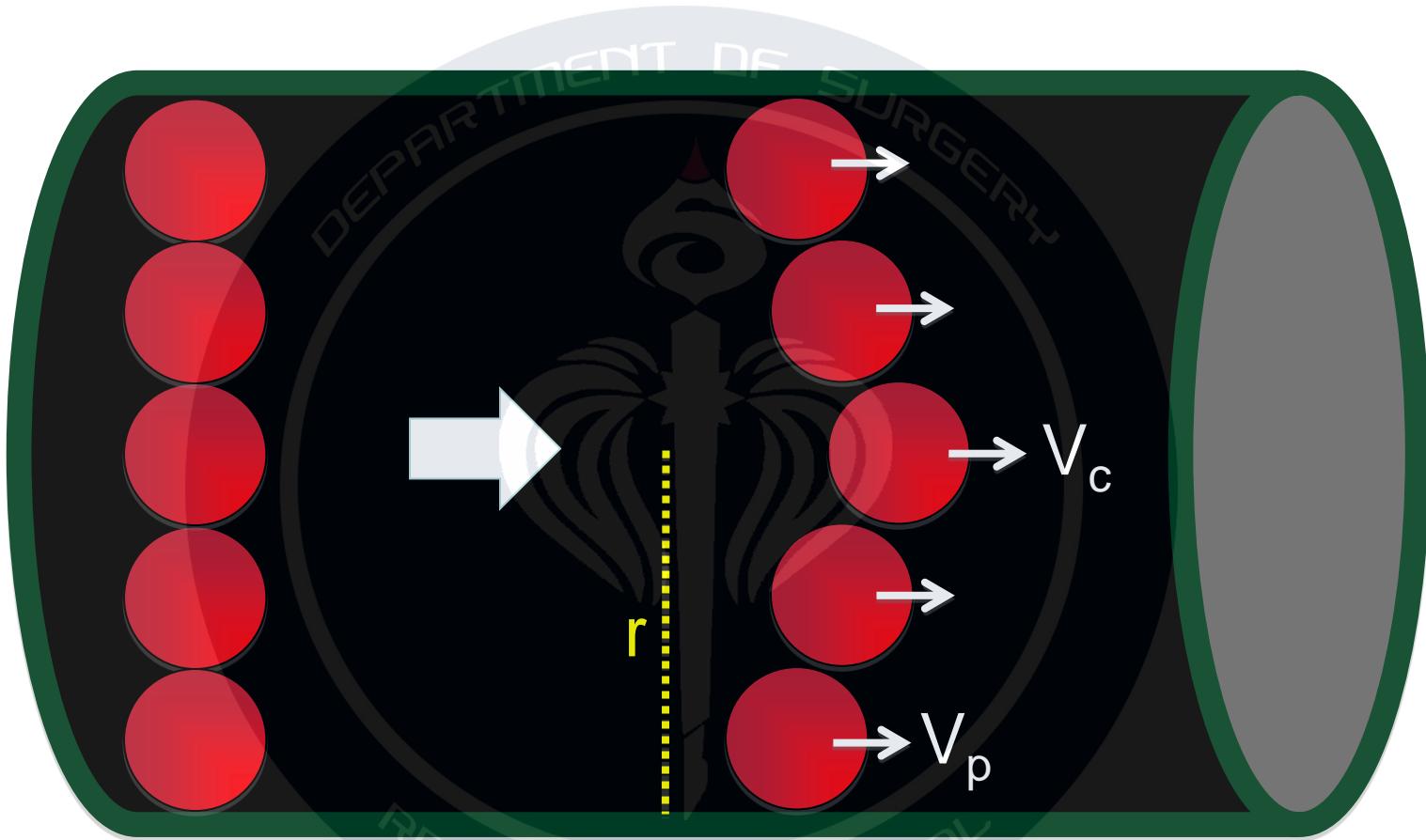


# Laminar Flow



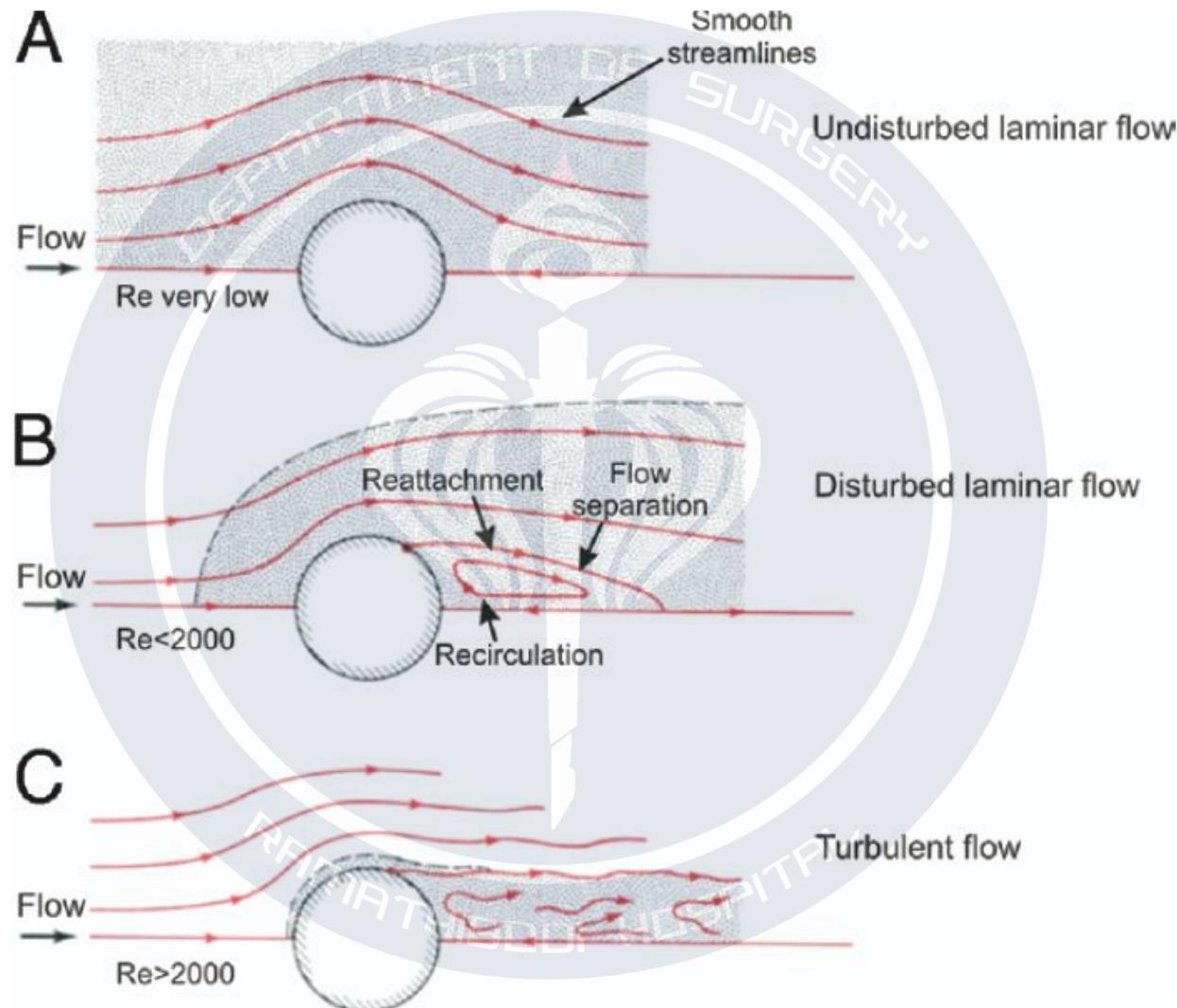
Parabolic Profile

# Laminar Flow



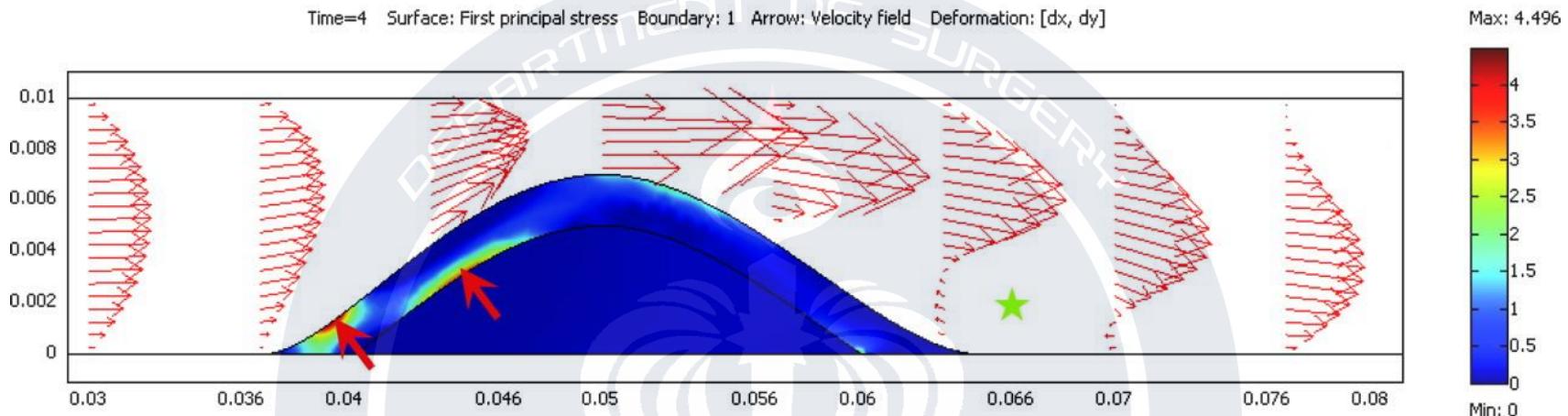
$$\text{Shear Rate (D)} = \frac{V_c - V_p}{r} = \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta r}$$

# Flow Patterns

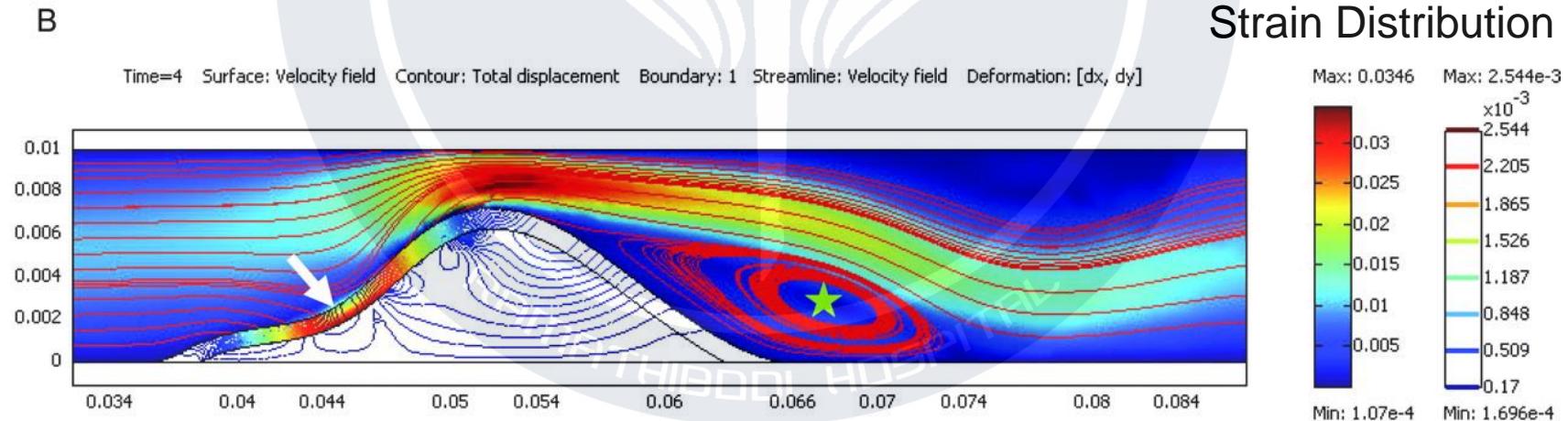


J Am Coll Cardiol 2007;49:2379–93.

A



B



Plaque  
deformation



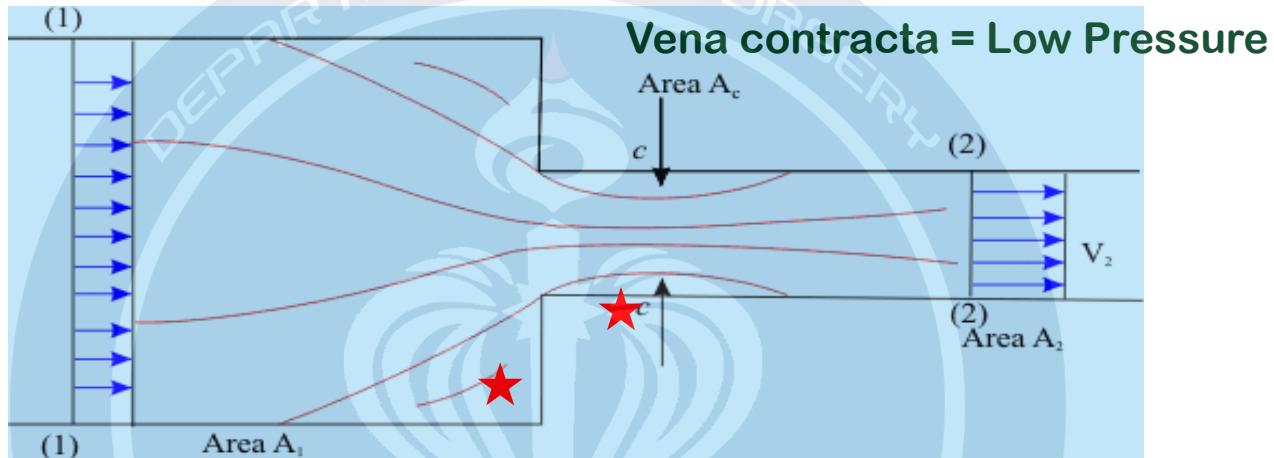
Flow  
Recirculation

*Stroke.* 2006;37:1195-1199.

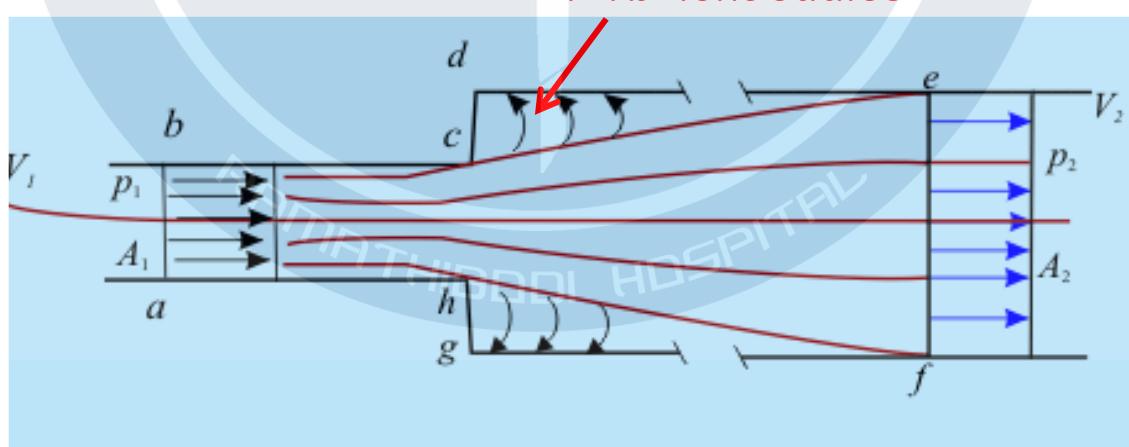
# Arterial Stenosis

★ Flow  
Recirculation

## Flow to Contraction



## Flow to Expansion



# Shear Stress (ความเค้นเฉือน)

Shear = เฉือน



Stress = เค็น



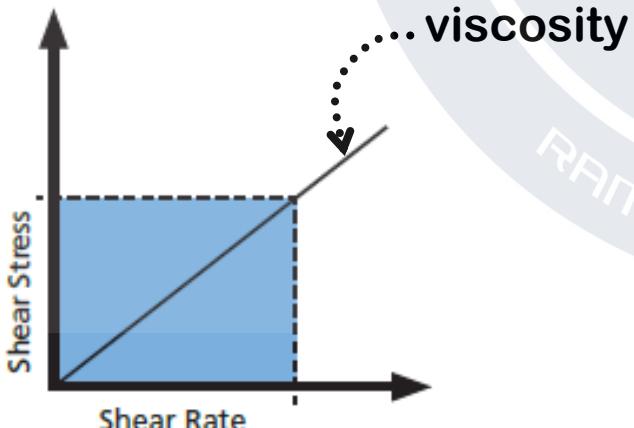
# Shear Stress (ความเค้นเฉือน)

**Shear force:** Force Interaction between molecules in parallel that moving at different vector velocities. (one velocity can also be zero.)

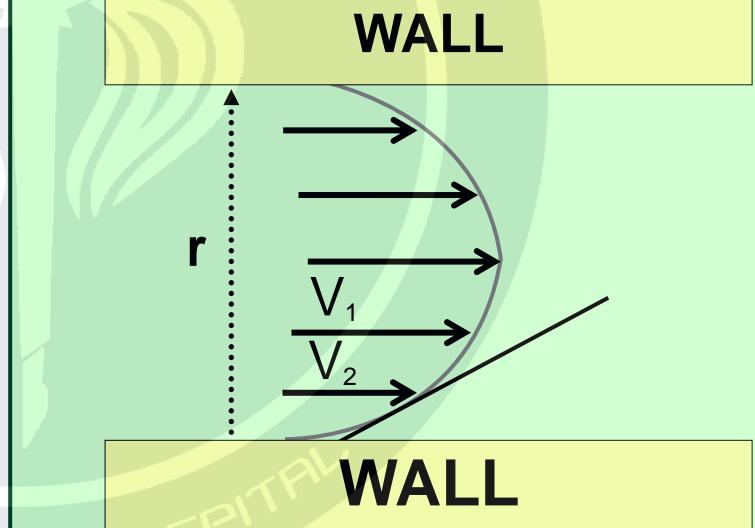
$$\text{Shear Stress} = \frac{\text{Shear Force}}{\text{Surface Area}}$$

$$\text{Shear Force} \propto \text{Shear Rate}$$

$$\text{Shear Stress} \propto \text{Shear Rate}$$



$$\text{Shear Rate (D): } du/dy$$



# Shear Stress

The force exerted to shear the fluid ( $\tau$ ). ( $\eta$ = fluid viscosity)

$$\text{Shear Stress } (\tau) = \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta r} \times \eta$$

## Shear Stress & Arterial Remodeling

Maintains a state of vascular health

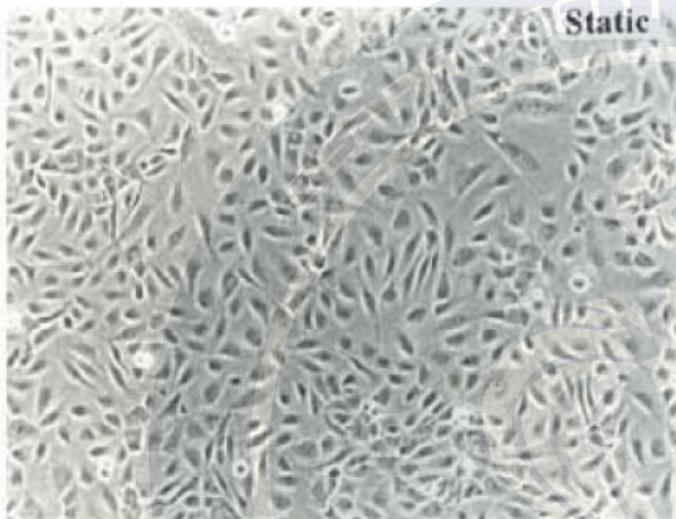
- Activates endothelial arrangement
- Promotes expression of vasodilator and antithrombotic factors
- Suppresses growth and proinflammatory factors

Low, oscillating, and disordered shear stress

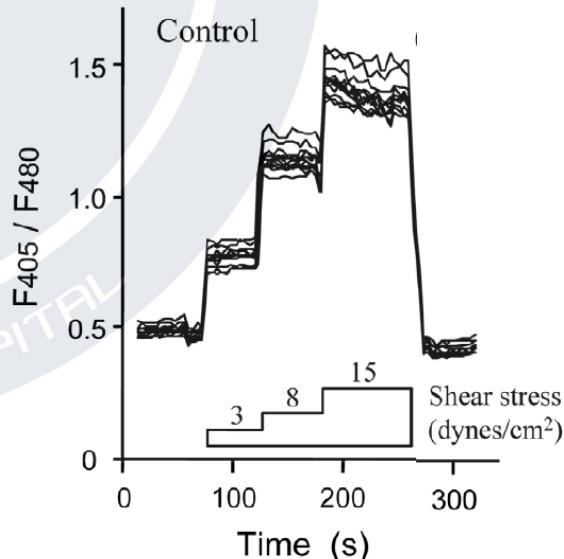
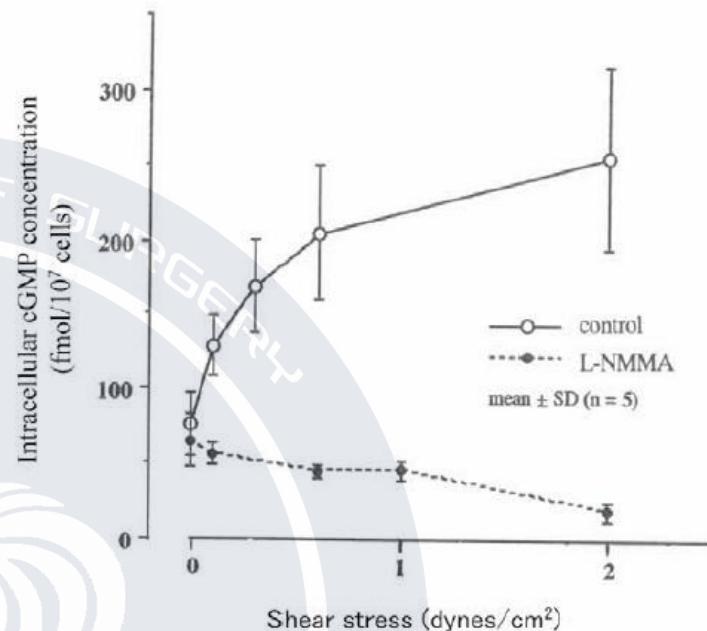
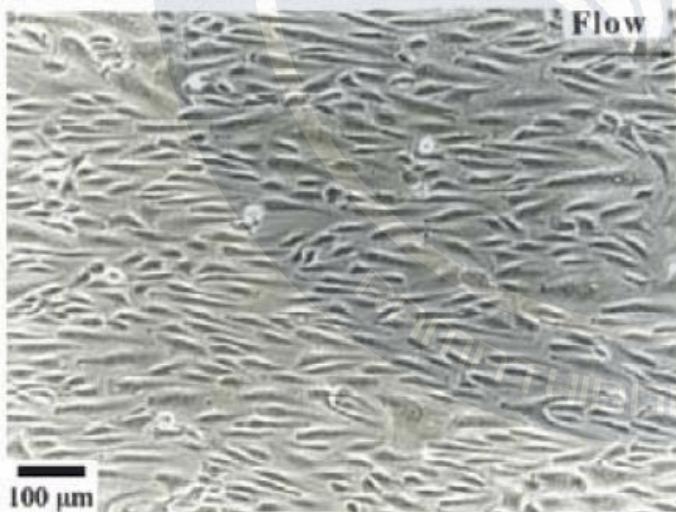
- Promotes the development of **atherosclerosis**

# SHEAR STRESS

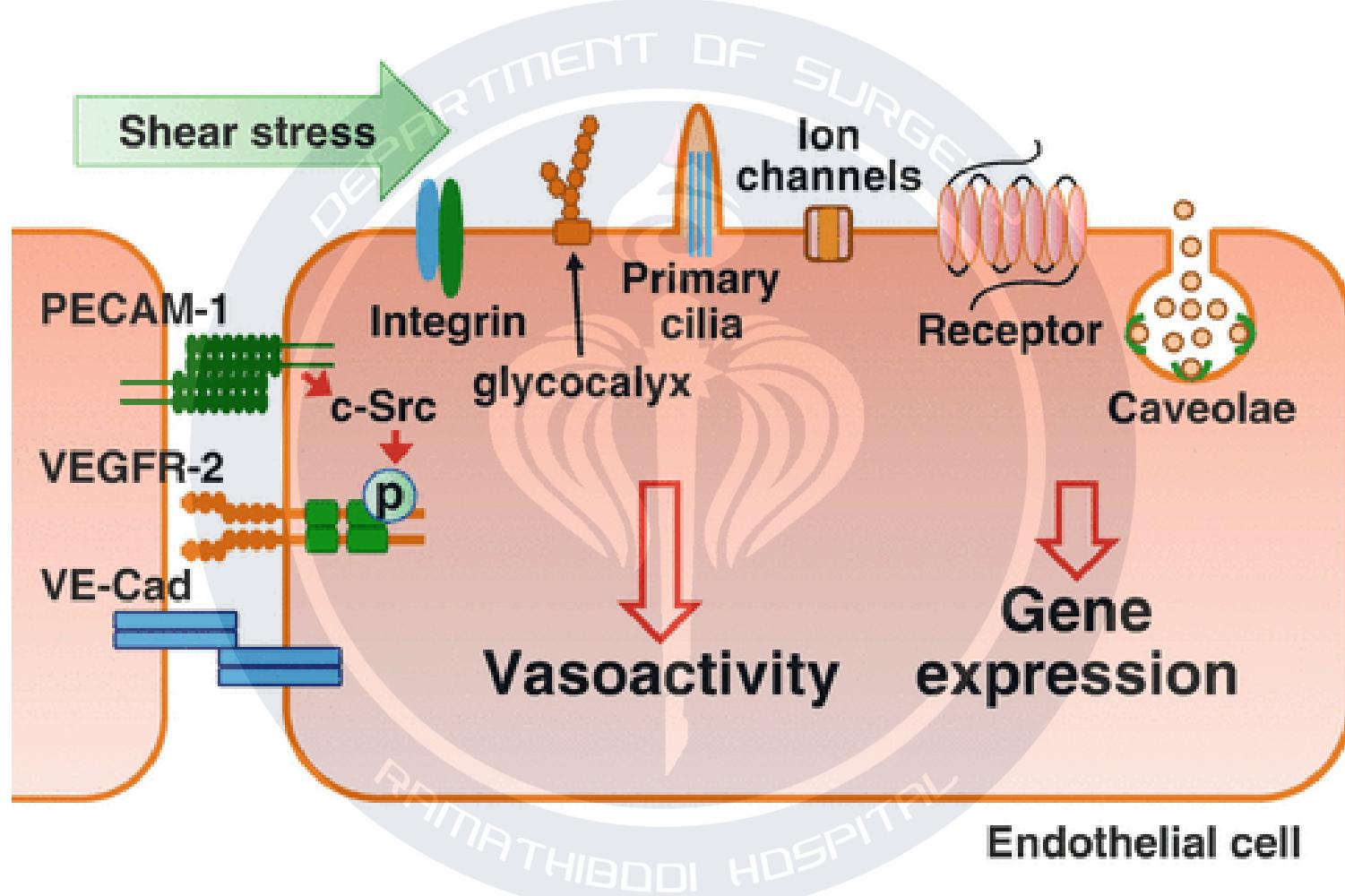
Static



Shear



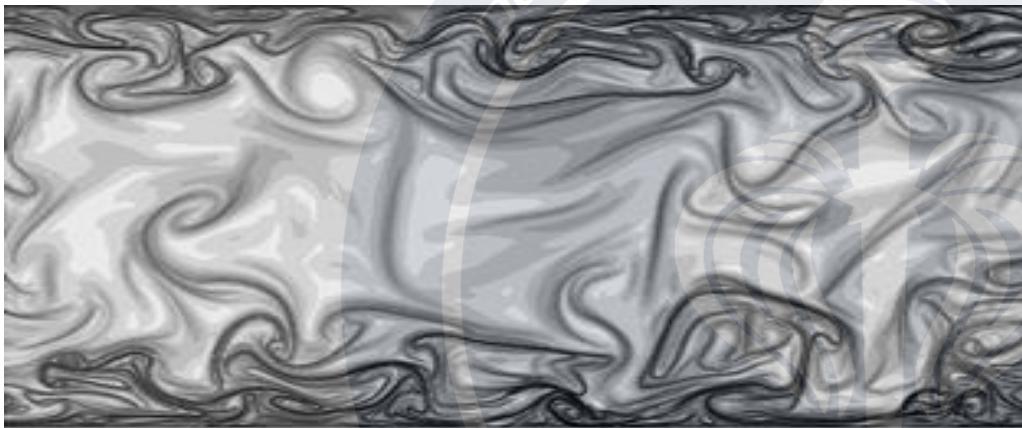
# Shear stress & Mechanotransduction



Biology of Vascular Smooth Muscle: Vasoconstriction and Dilatation pp 127-136

# Turbulence Flow

- Fluid undergoes irregular fluctuations.
- The speed of the fluid is continuously undergoing changes in both magnitude and direction.



Credit: Melissa Green

BioMedical Engineering OnLine 2013, 12:129

$\rho$  = Density

D = Diameter

V = Mean Velocity

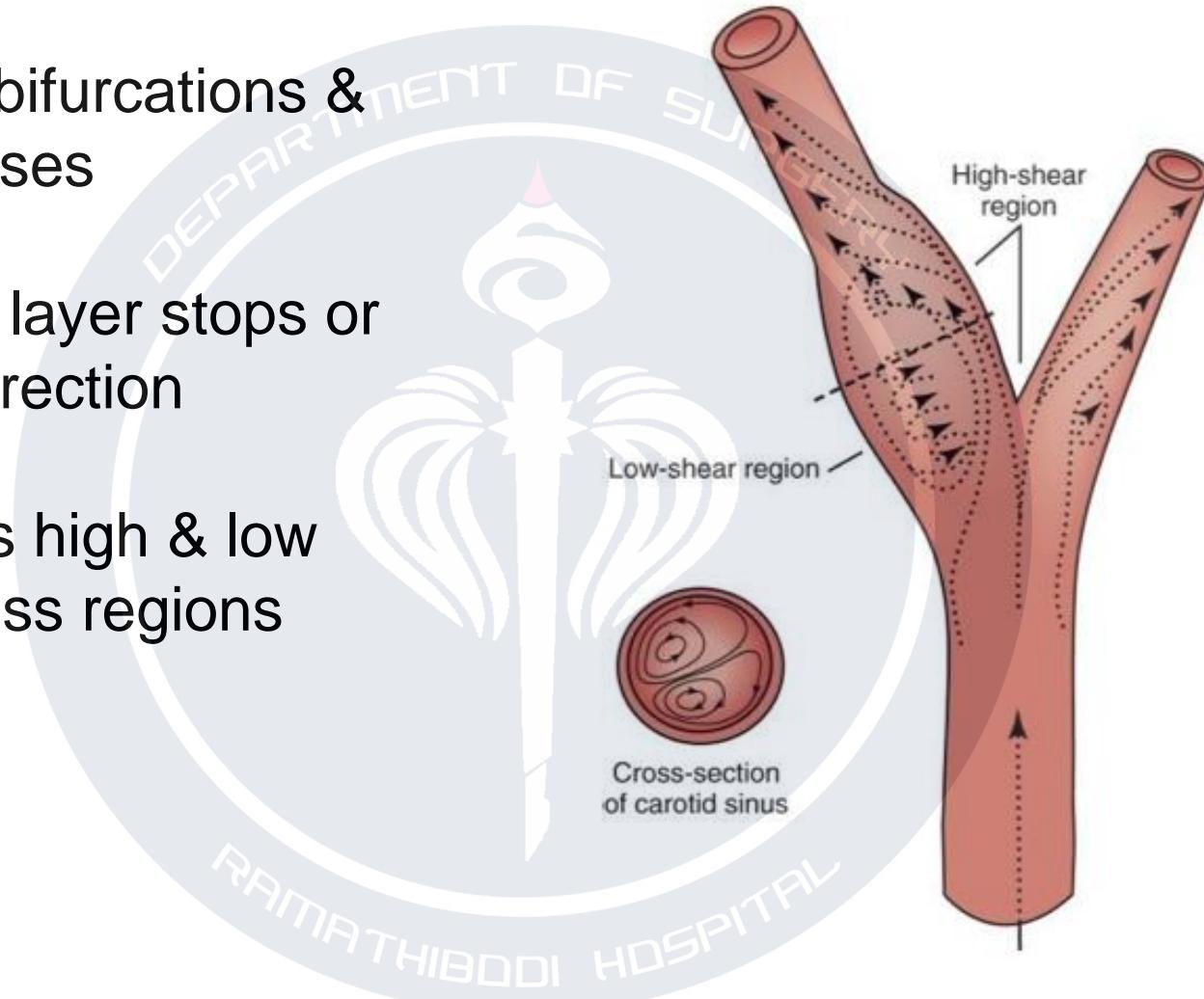
$\eta$  = Viscosity

$$\text{Reynold's number (NR)} = \frac{\rho D V}{\eta}$$

$NR > 3,000 \rightarrow \text{Turbulent}$

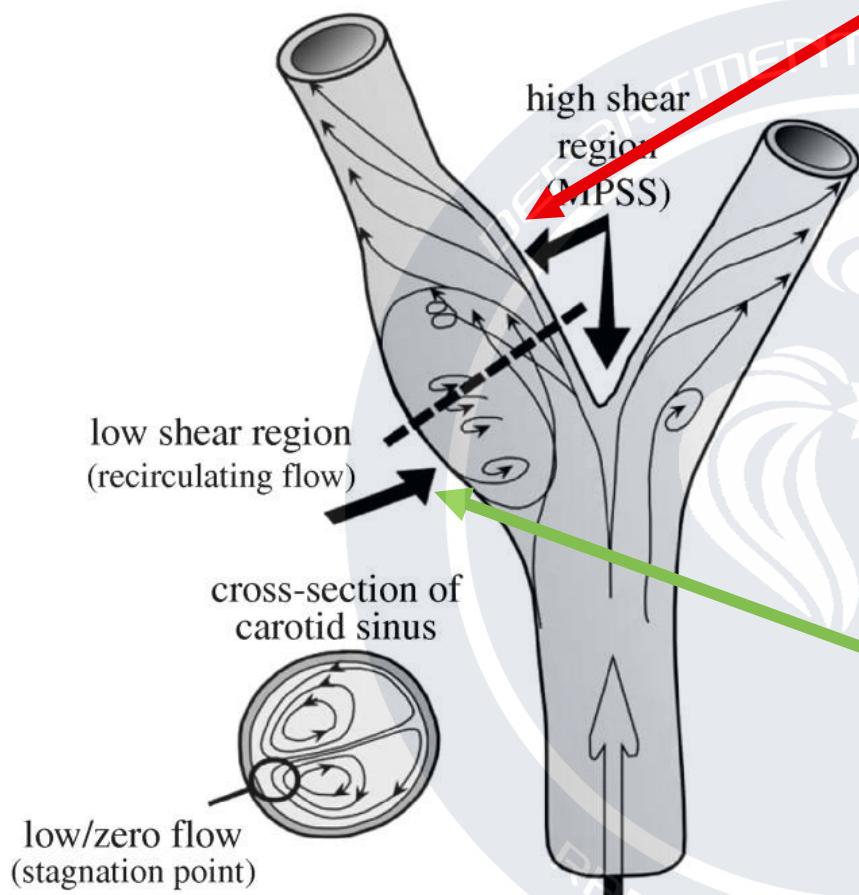
# Flow Separation

- occurs in bifurcations & anastomoses
- Boundary layer stops or reverse direction
- Generates high & low shear stress regions

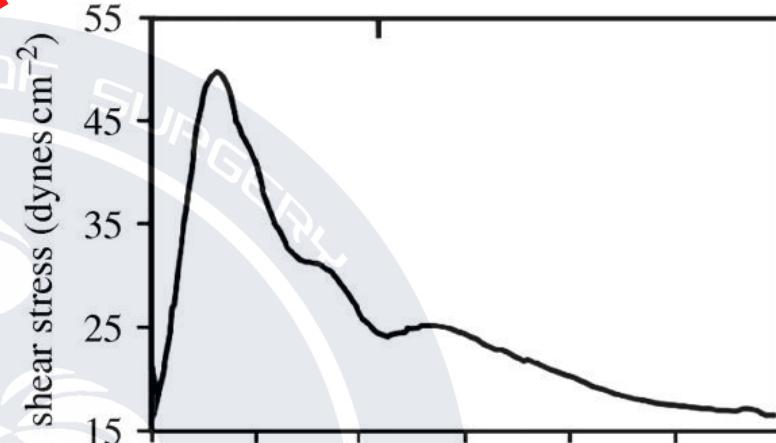


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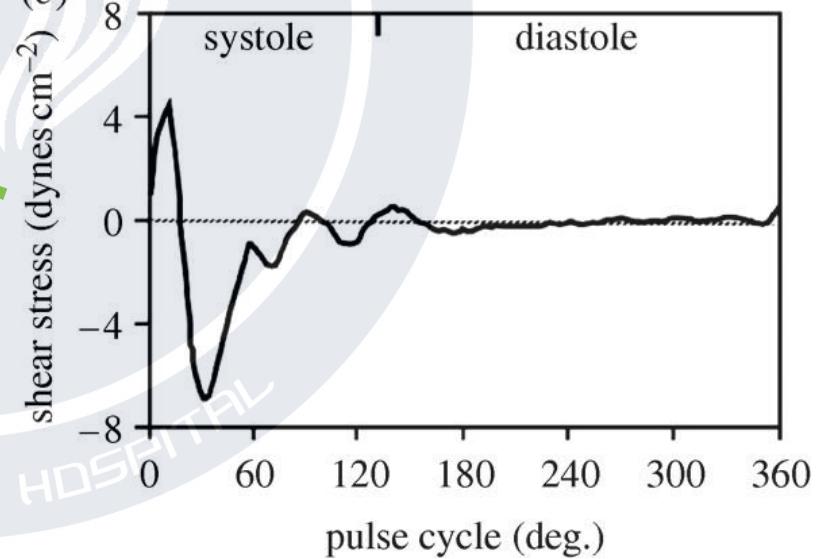
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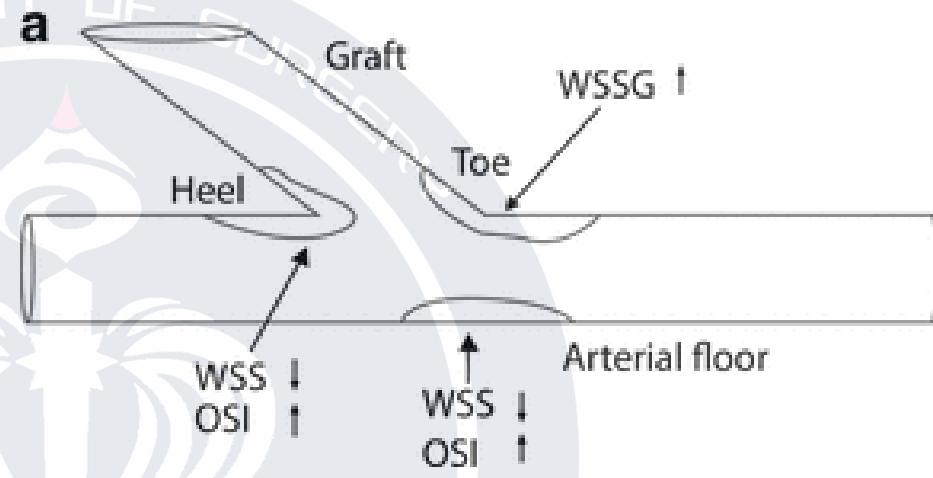


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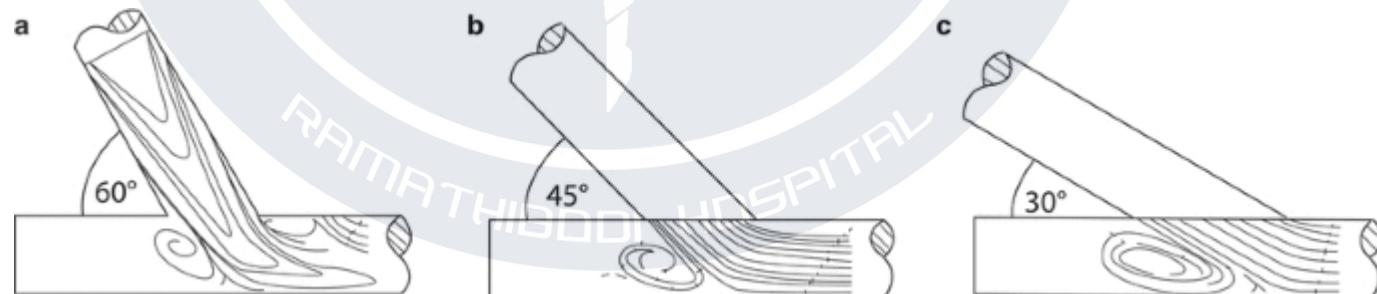


# Graft-Arterial Anastomosis

- Flow separation
- Low shear stress
- Platelet adhesion
- Intimal hyperplasia
- Atherosclerosis

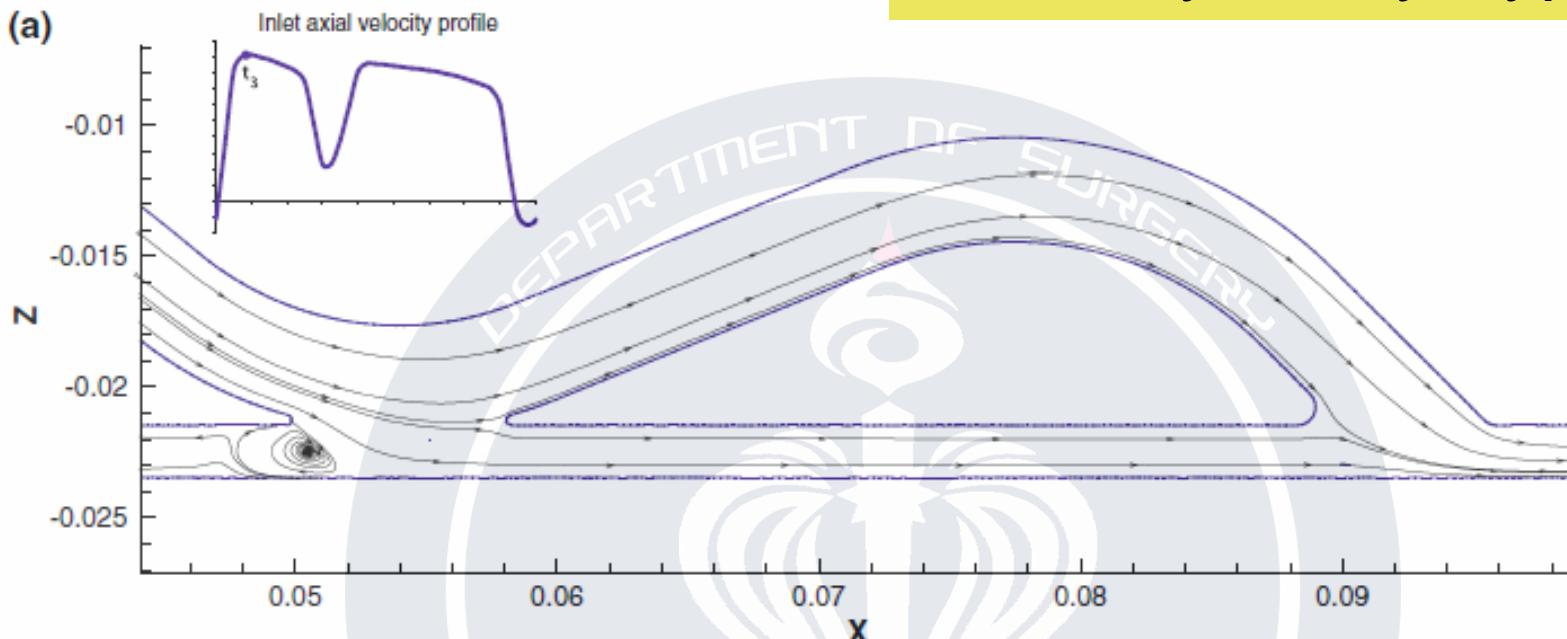


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Coronary Graft Failure pp 419–436

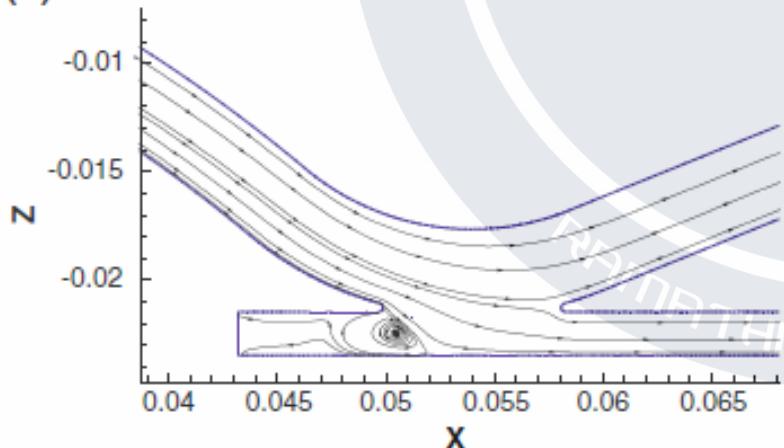


# Coronary Artery Bypass

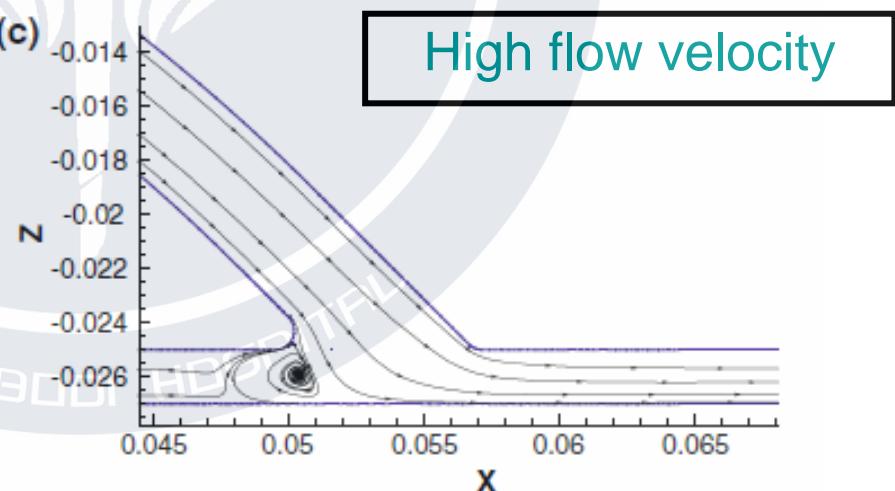
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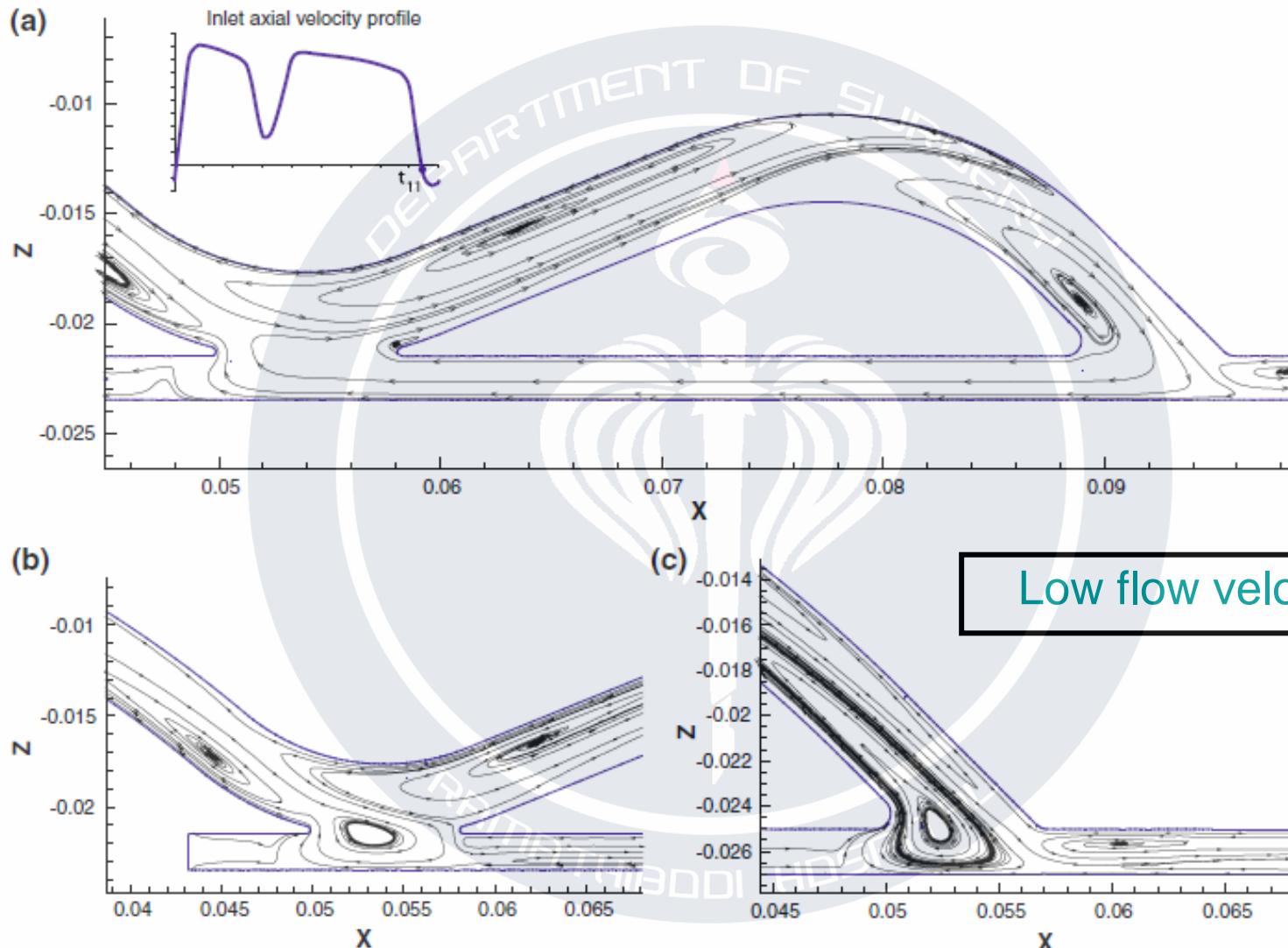


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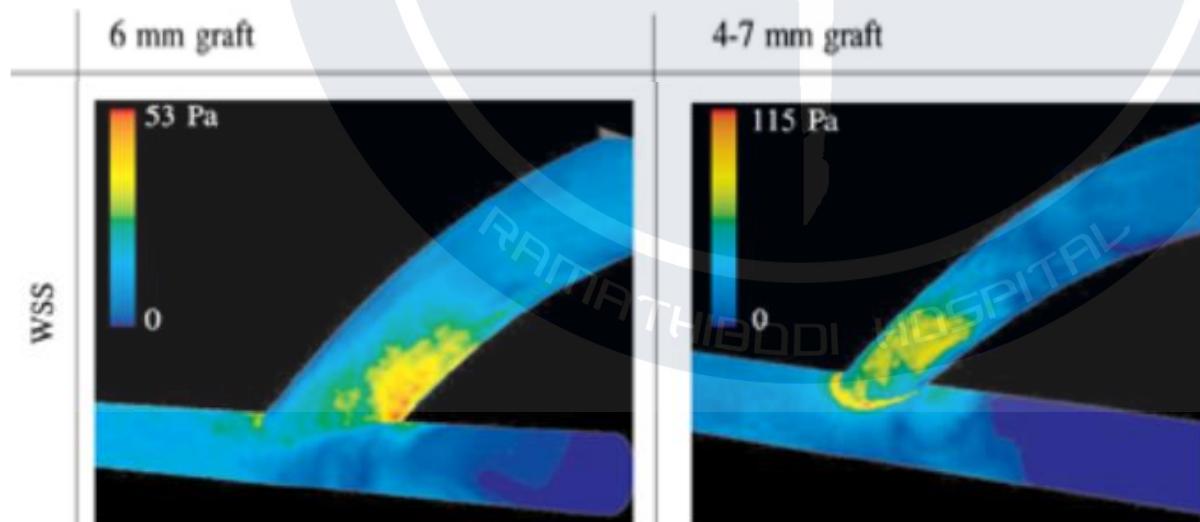


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# Graft-Arterial Anastomosis

Success of arterial graft is depended on:

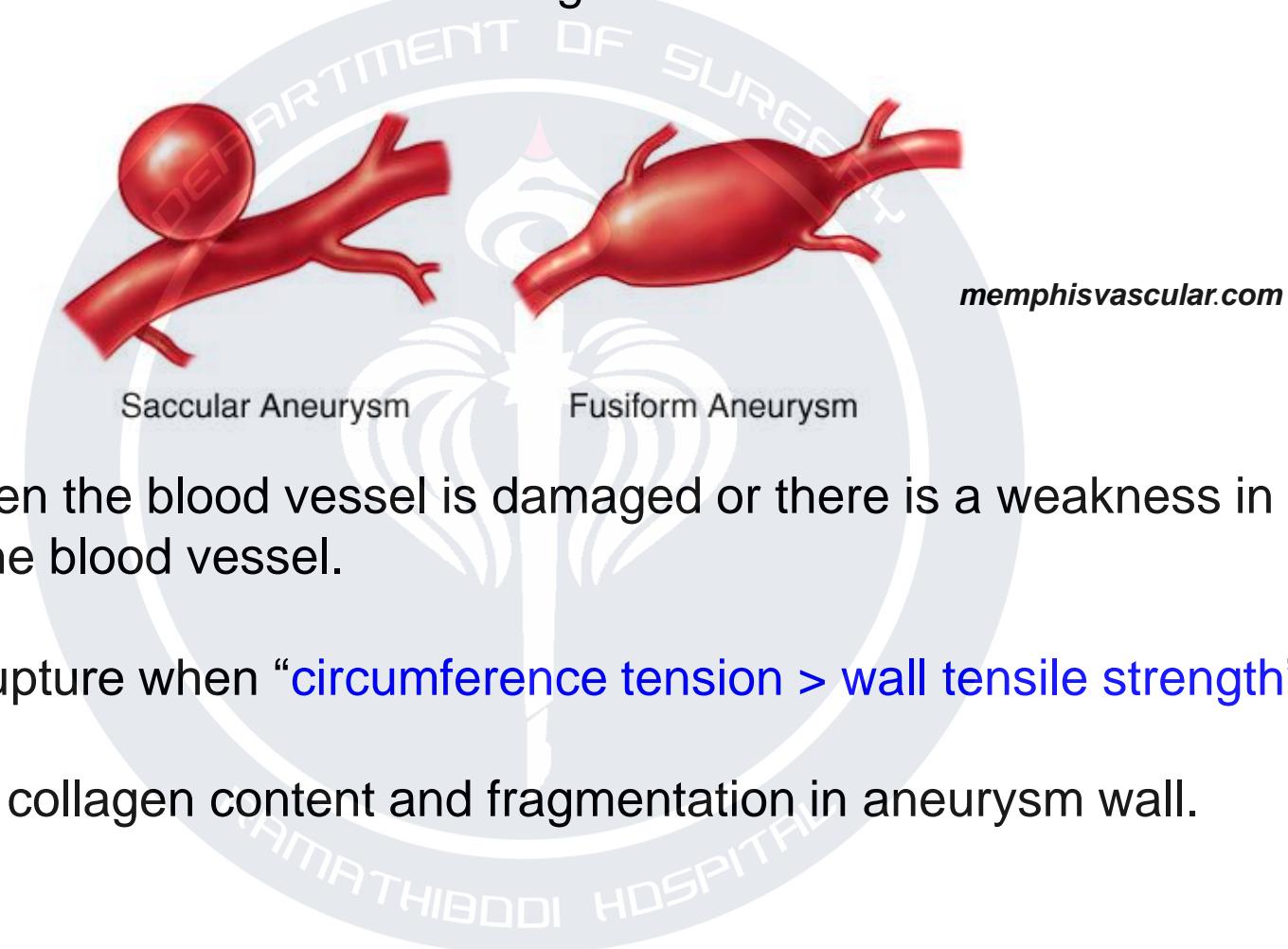
- Graft material: compliance of graft versus of artery
- Graft diameter: affect energy loss; consider length of graft and intimal hyperplasia
- Anastomotic configuration: anastomtical angle; smaller angle is better



Ilse van tricht et. al.  
Annals of Biomedical Engineering, Vol. 33,  
No. 9, 2005 pp. 1142–1157

# Aneurysm

a localized, blood-filled balloon-like bulge in the wall of a blood vessel.



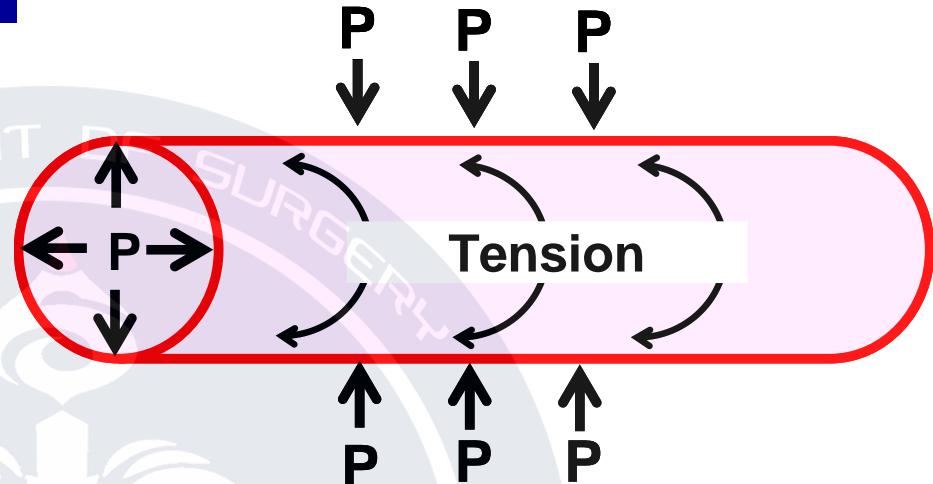
It occurs when the blood vessel is damaged or there is a weakness in the wall of the blood vessel.

Aneurysm rupture when “circumference tension > wall tensile strength”.

Decrease in collagen content and fragmentation in aneurysm wall.

# Circulatory Pressure

- Internal pressure
- External pressure
- Circumference tension

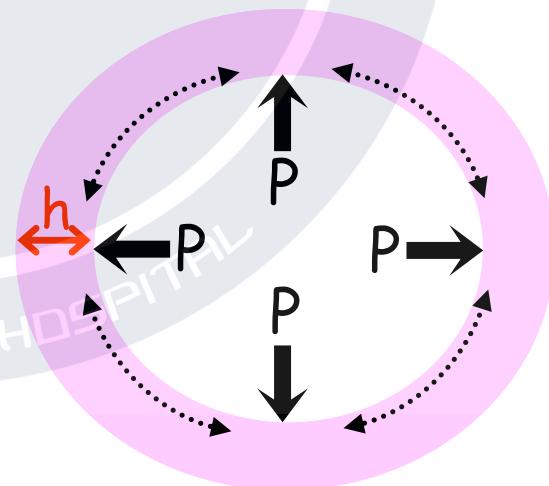


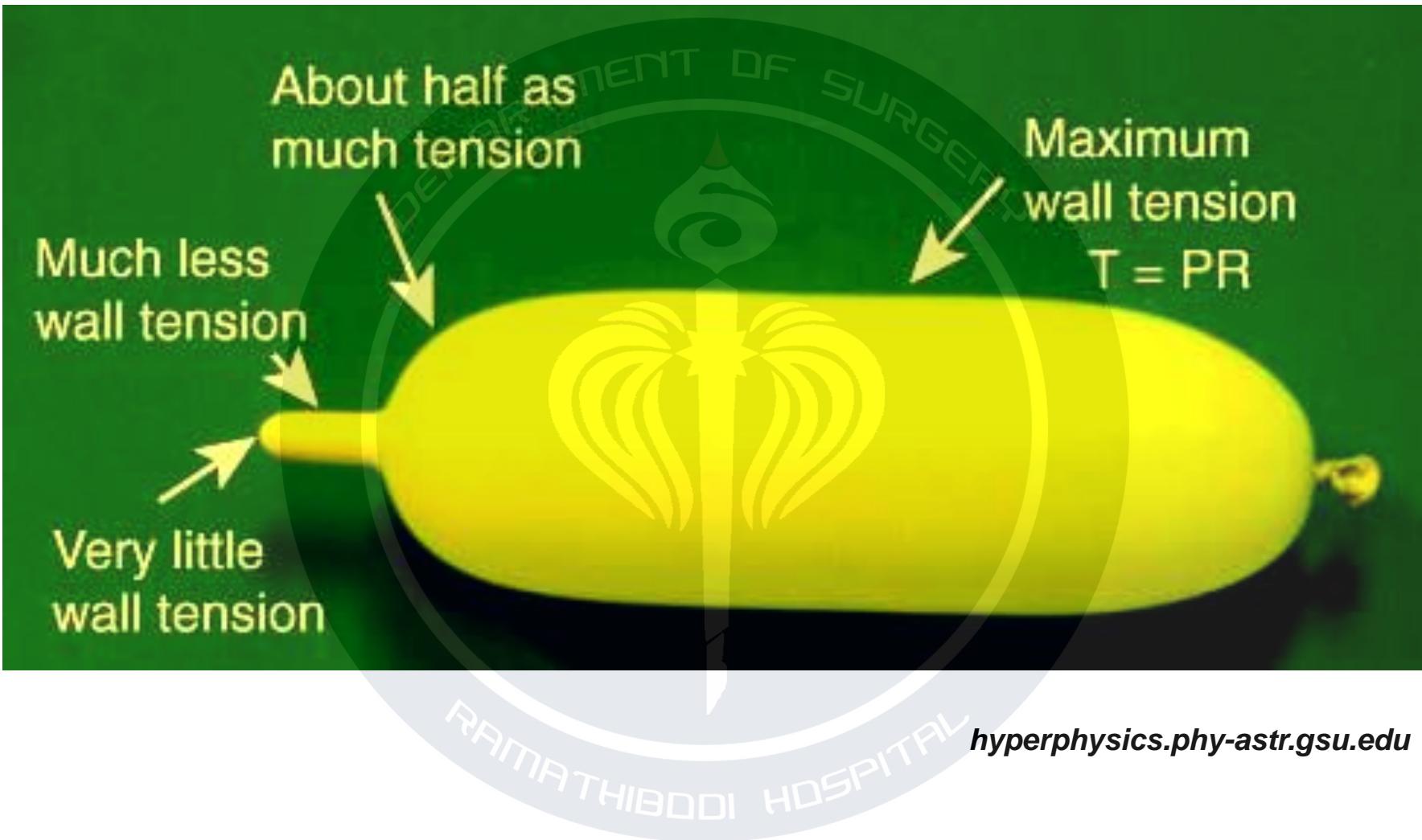
*Circumferential tension* is the force that counteracts the difference between internal and external pressure.

## Laplace's law:

$$T = (P_i - P_o) \cdot r$$

$$T = \frac{\Delta P r}{h}$$





*hyperphysics.phy-astr.gsu.edu*

$$T = \frac{\Delta Pr}{h}$$

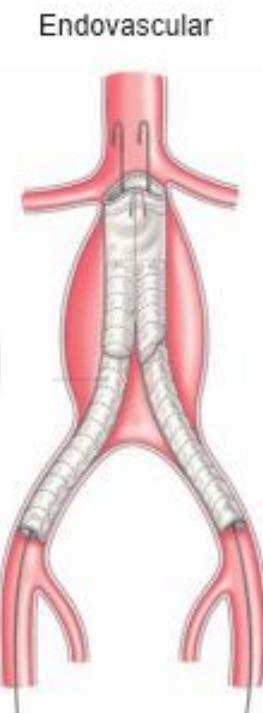
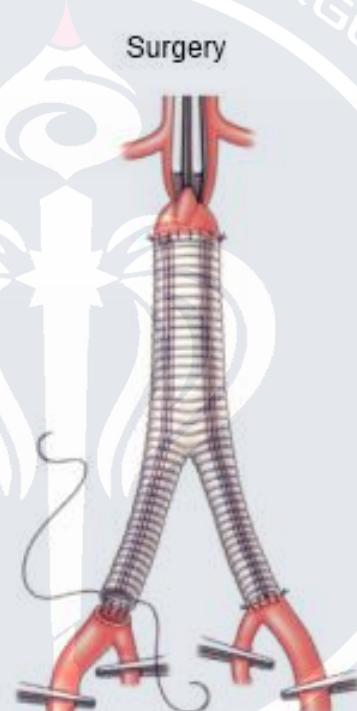
& Wall tensile strength



Normal aorta



Abdominal  
Aortic Aneurysm



Endovascular

# Thank You



