




CORONARY CIRCULATION.

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OBJECTIVES

-  Describe the physiological anatomy of coronary circulation.
-  Identify the values for normal coronary blood flow.
-  Discuss control of coronary blood flow.

- ✉ Describe the physiological features of coronary circulation.
- ✉ Correlate knowledge to clinical conditions related to myocardial
- ✉ **Coronary Circulation.**
- ✉ **Def:** Blood flow to heart through coronary arteries is called coronary circulation.
- ✉ **Normal value:** 250 mL/min at rest.
or 70 ml / 100 gm / min.
This may increase to 2000 ml / min.

Anatomy of blood vessels:

✉ Arteries: Right and Left coronary arteries supply the heart (They are the first branches of Aorta)

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✉ Distribution:

In 30% people,

✉ Rt coronary artery supplies: Rt atrium, Rt. Ventricle, posterior aspect of inter ventricular septum and

conducting system
except LBB.

✉ Lt. coronary artery
supplies- Lt. atrium,
Lt. vent. LBB abd rest of
interventricular septum.

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In 50 % of people : Rt
coronary artery
predomoniates.

In 20 % of people Lt.
coronary artery
predominates.

✉ The arteries run from epicardium into endocardium almost **perpendicularly** between myocardial cells.

✉ They are **end arteries-** i.e. no anastomosis.

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Venous drainage:

- Coronary sinus-opens in Rt. Atrium

- Other veins are:
Anterior cardiac
vein.

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vein.

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Mechanical:

✉ Coronary blood flow is more during diastole than during systole. It is because, during systole, the myocardial cells compress the coronary arteries and its

branches. During diastole , the compression is minimal and flow is more. This is called **Phasic flow**.

✉ There fore any condition which decreases diastolic period decreases coronary blood flow.

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Mechanical

✉ In systole, when compared to blood flow through LCA & RCA, there is more blood flow through RCA than LCA, as Rt. Vent. generates only 25mmHg pressure where as Lt. vent. Generates 120 mmHg.

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✉ Factors Determining:

- Mechanical
- Metabolic
- Mean Aortic Pressure.

- Neuronal.

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Aortic Pr	pr.in		Pr.in
	RV	pg	LV
	pg		pg
Sy 120	25	95	120
0			
Dia 80	10	70	10
70			

Pg=pressure gradient

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✉ Metabolic factors:

✉ HYPOXIA is a potent vasodilator of coronary vessels. It increases the coronary blood flow by 2 ways:

- ✉ 1. Direct
- 2. Through ADENOSINE

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✉ Direct:

Hypoxia

Intra cellular acidosis

Calcium binding

Contractility of smooth muscle

Of blood vessels

Coronary vasodilation

CBF

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✉ Through Adenosin:
Hypoxia

✉ Coronary Circulation.

✉ **Mean Aortic Pressure:**

Normal MAP = 100 mmHg &

CBF=250ml / min when MAP = CBF

MAP = CBF

✉ **Neuronal:** Sympathetic
stimulation

coronary

HR SV

vasoconstriction

Myocardial activity

CBF

Metabolic end

products

Hypoxia + Hypercapnoea

Vasodilation CBF

Note: Indirect effect of vasodilatation
exceeds vasoconstriction
and net effect is: Increased CBF

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Determination of CBF

- Direct method
- Indirect method: Kety's method.

It is modified Fick's principle.

Sub. Used is N_2O or I^{131} ,

Procedure: Inhale mixture of

$N_2O=15\%$, $O_2=21\%$ &

$N_2=64\%$ for 10min. Blood

samples from any artery

and coronary sinus are

analysed.

Then $CBF = Q_x / A_x - V_x$.

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Applied Aspect:

- **Coronary thrombus:**
Thrombus in coronary artery or its branches CBF
Ischaemia / MI
 - **Angina Pectoris:** Pain in the chest due to myocardial ischaemia / MI
R :Medical: Nitrites(isosorbid dinitrite)
supported by Beta blockers,
ca.channel blockers
Surgical: Angioplasty
Bypass surgery
3. **Myocardial Infarction.**

✉ MI

✉ Myocardial infarction is a common presentation of ischemic heart disease. The WHO estimated that in 2002, 12.6 percent of deaths worldwide were from ischemic heart disease. Ischemic heart disease is the leading cause of death in developed countries, but third to AIDS and lower

respiratory infections in developing countries.

✉ **Risk factors**

✉ Risk factors for atherosclerosis are generally risk factors for myocardial infarction:

✉ Older age

✉ Male sex.

✉ Tobacco smoking

✉ Hypercholesterolemia
(more accurately hyperlipoproteinemia, especially high low

density lipoprotein and
low high density
lipoprotein)

- ✉ Hyperhomocysteinemia
(high homocysteine, a toxic
blood amino acid that is
elevated when intakes of
vitamins B2, B6, B12 and
folic acid are insufficient)
- ✉ Diabetes (with or without
insulin resistance)
- ✉ High blood pressure

✉ Obesity (defined by a body mass index of more than 30 kg/m², or alternatively by waist circumference or waist-hip ratio).

✉ Stress Occupations with high stress index are known to have susceptibility for atherosclerosis.

✉ Treatment in MI

✉ **First line**

✉ Oxygen, aspirin, glyceryl trinitrate (nitroglycerin) and analgesia (usually

morphine, although experts often argue this point),

✉ hence the popular mnemonic MONA, (*morphine, oxygen, nitro, aspirin*) are administered as soon as possible.

✉ Cardiac Function Tests

1. Serum Enzymes
2. Resting ECG
3. Stress ECG
4. X ray.
5. Echocardiography.

6. Phonocardiography.
7. Radionucleide scanning.
8. Lipid profile.
9. BP recording.

✉ Cardiac Function Tests.

Serum Enzymes:

✉ Creatin Kinase: 30-
200U/L

✉ Aspartate
AminoTransferase(AST)
: 10-
30 U/L.

✉ Myocardial isoenzyme of
CK (CK-MB)

: <

5 % of CK.

Lactate dehydrogenase:

100 – 300 U/L

✉ Cardiac Function Tests

✉ Lipid profile:

* Serum cholesterol

=150-

230mg%

* LDL = < 130 mg%

* HDL = > 70 mg%

* Triglycerides = 160
mg%

✉ CORONARY CIRCULATION

✉ Definition

✉ Anatomy of blood
vessels

✉ Normal value

✉ Factors determining

✉ Peculiarities

✉ Method of measurement

✉ Applied aspect.

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