

# Assessment of fluid responsiveness in critically ill patients

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# Fluid Responsiveness

- Fluid responsiveness is defined as increase in cardiac output, increase in cardiac index , increase in stroke volume index, changes in stroke volume variation, changes in pulse pressure pressure variation when a bolus infusion (500ml) of fluid is given

# Parameters and methodology to measure fluid responsiveness

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- Cardiac output
- Cardiac index
- Stroke volume index
- Pulse pressure variation
- Stroke volume variation

- **Methodology**

- Pulmonary Thermo-dilution
- Pulse index continuous cardiac output (PiCCO)
- Lithium index continuous cardiac output (LiDCO)
- Flo trac
- Non invasive continuous cardiac output monitoring (NiCCOM)
- Echocardiography

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# Fluids less or more? Optimize

- Uncorrected hypovolemia affects tissue oxygenation leading to multi organ dysfunction and death
- Excessive fluid administration is associated with increased complications, mortality and length of intensive care unit stay

# Early Restrictive or Liberal Fluid Management for Sepsis-Induced Hypotension

- Randomized controlled trial – multicentric
- 60 centers in USA - 1563 patients
- 782 patients in restrictive fluid group and 781 in liberal fluid group
- Death from any cause before discharge home by day 90 (the primary outcome) occurred in 109 patients (14.0%) in restrictive fluid group and in 116 patients (14.9%) in the liberal fluid group (estimated difference, -0.9% ; 95% CI, -4.4 to 2.6; P=0.61)

# Early Restrictive or Liberal Fluid Management for Sepsis-Induced Hypotension

- No difference in secondary outcomes - 28-day measures of the number of days free from ventilator use, days free from renal-replacement therapy, days free from vasopressor use, days out of the ICU, and days out of the hospital
- Restrictive fluid strategy did not result in lower mortality than liberal fluid strategy

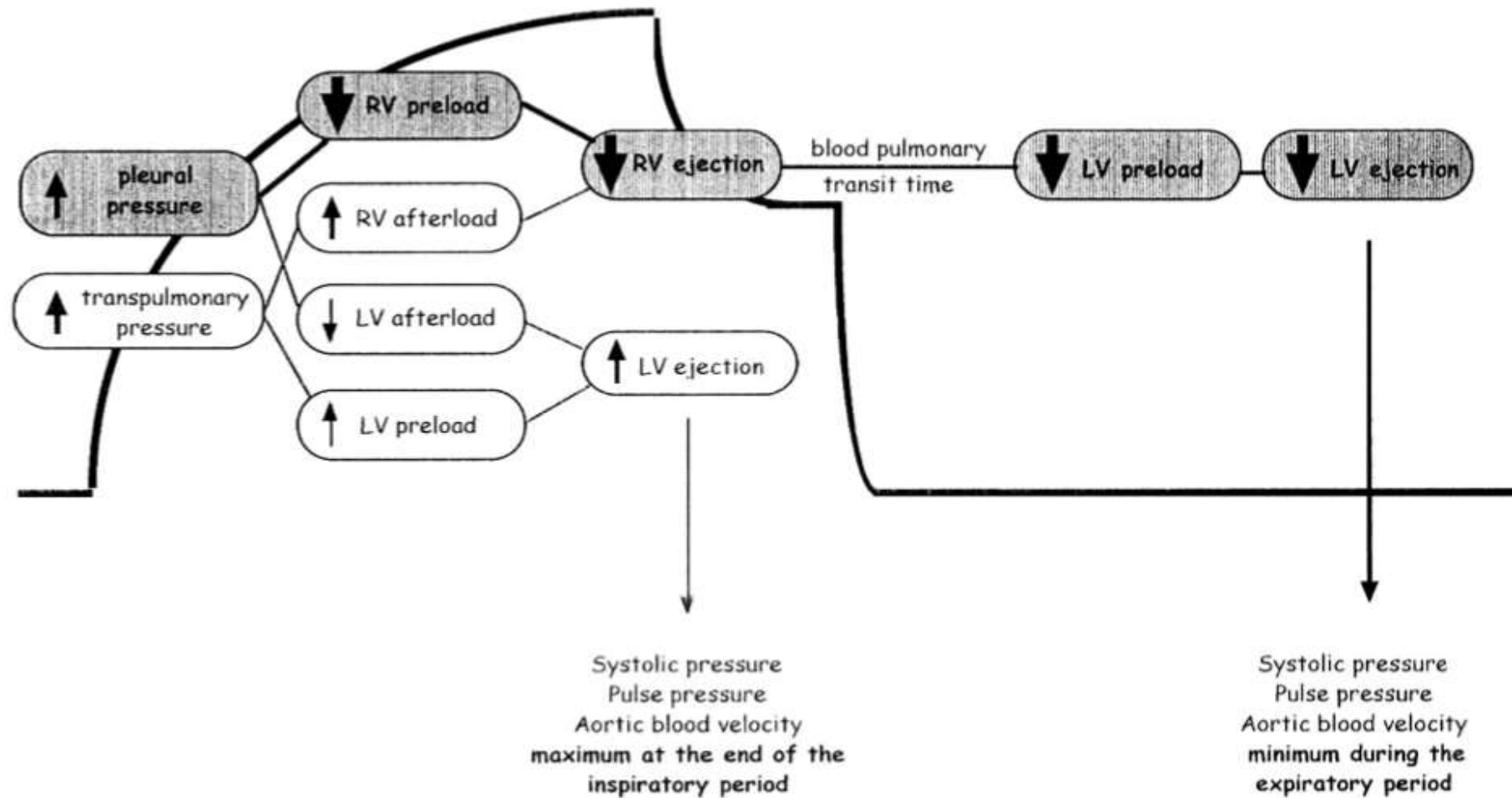
# Assess fluid responsiveness

- Spontaneously breathing patients
- Mechanical ventilated patients

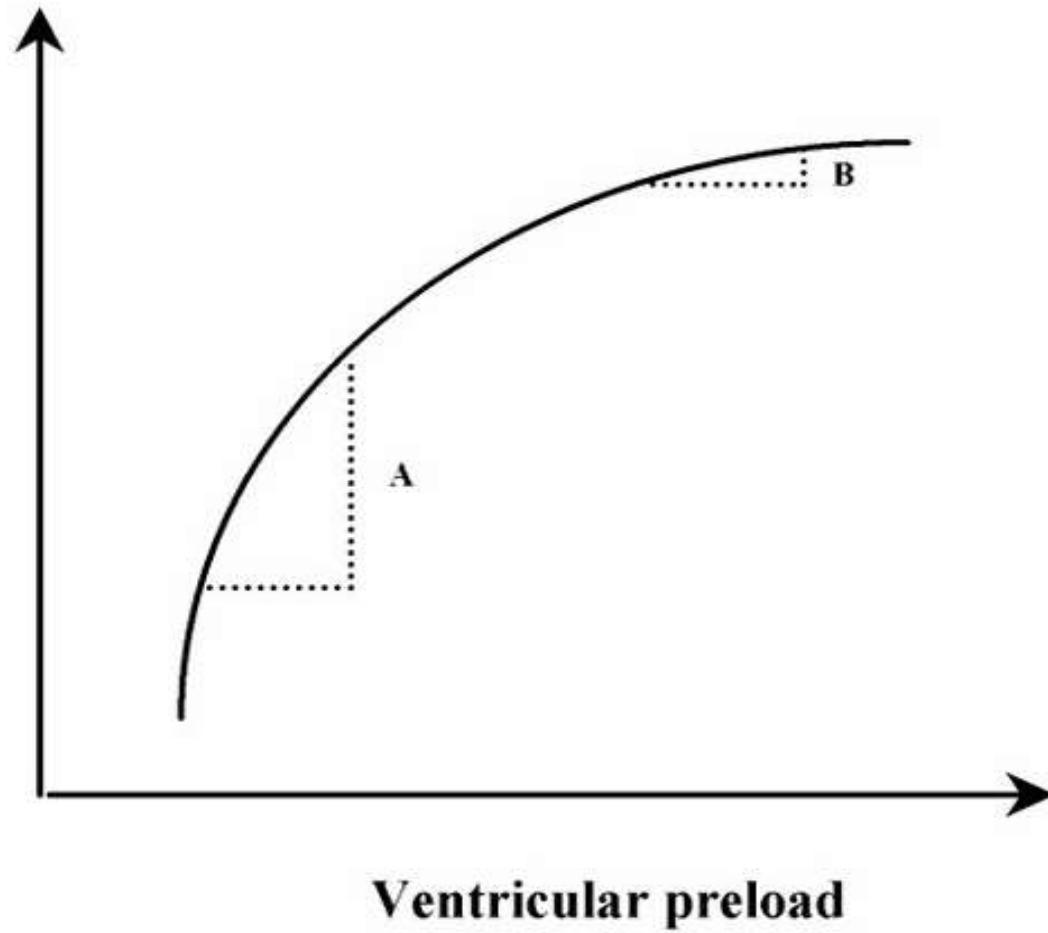


How to assess fluid responsiveness Mechanically Ventilated Patients ?

# Heart-lung interaction during mechanical ventilation



# Frank Starling's curve



# Assessing fluid responsiveness - Mechanically Ventilated Patients

- **Static indicators**

- Central venous pressure
- Pulmonary artery occlusion pressure
- Left ventricular end diastolic area
- Right Ventricular end diastolic volume
- Inferior Vena Cava diameter
- Global end diastolic volume index

- **Dynamic indicators**

- Pulse pressure variation
- Stroke volume variation
- IVC collapsibility index
- Cardiac output/cardiac index

# Central venous pressure

- 24 studies included 803 patients
- Baseline CVP was no different among responders and non responders
- Pooled correlation coefficient between CVP and measured blood volume was 0.16 (CI - 0.03 to 0.28)
- Pooled correlation between change in CVP and change in stroke index/cardiac index 0.11 (CI - 0.015 to 0.21)
- AUC 0.56 (95% CI, 0.51 to 0.6)

Source	Setting	Type	Patients, No.	Methodology	AUC†	$r$ , CVP/SI	$r$ , $\Delta$ CVP/SI	CVP-R	CVP-NR
Calvin et al, <sup>15</sup> 1981	ICU	Mixed ICU	28	PAC/Scint		0.16	0.26	4.7	4.8
Reuse et al, <sup>16</sup> 1990	ICU	ICU	41	PAC		0.21		8.5	8.4
Godje et al, <sup>17</sup> 1998	ICU	CABG	30	PAC, COLD system†			0.09		
Wagner and Leatherman, <sup>18</sup> 1998	ICU	ICU	25	PAC		0.44		7.4	10.1
Wiesenack et al, <sup>19</sup> 2001	OR	CABG	18	PAC, TPT			0.09		
Berkenstad et al, <sup>20</sup> 2001	OR	Neurosurgery	15	TPT	0.49	0.05	0.08	9.3	9.3
Michard et al, <sup>21</sup> 2000	ICU	ICU	40	PAC	0.51				
Reuter et al, <sup>22</sup> 2002	ICU	CABG	20	TPT	0.42				
Reuter et al, <sup>23</sup> 2003	ICU	CABG	26	PAC, TEE	0.71				
Barbier et al, <sup>24</sup> 2004	ICU	Sepsis	20	TEE	0.57			10	9
Kramer et al, <sup>25</sup> 2004	ICU	CABG	21	PAC	0.49	0.13		13.5	13.3
Marx et al, <sup>24</sup> 2004	ICU	Sepsis	10	PAC, TPT		0.41	0.28		
Preisman et al, <sup>27</sup> 2005	OR	CABG	18	TPT, TEE	0.61			8.7	10
Perel et al, <sup>28</sup> 2005	ICU	Vascular surgery	14	TEE		0.27		9.6	12.2
Hofer et al, <sup>29</sup> 2005	OR	CABG	40	PAC, TEE	0.54	0.02	0.2		
De Backer et al, <sup>30</sup> 2005	ICU	ICU	60	PAC	0.54			10	12
Kumar et al, <sup>31</sup> 2004	ICU	Healthy volunteers	12	PAC/Scint		0.32	0.22		
Osman et al, <sup>32</sup> 2007	ICU	Septic	96	PAC	0.58			8	9
Magder and Bafaqeeh, <sup>33</sup> 2007	ICU	CABG	66	PAC		0.36		5.9	8.7
Pooled					0.56	0.18	0.11	8.7	9.7

\*PAC = pulmonary artery catheter; TEE = transesophageal echocardiography; Scint = radionuclide scintigraphy; TPT = transpulmonary thermodilution; CVP-R = baseline CVP of responders; CVP-NR = baseline CVP of nonresponders; SI = fluid responsiveness; see Table 1 for expansion of abbreviations.

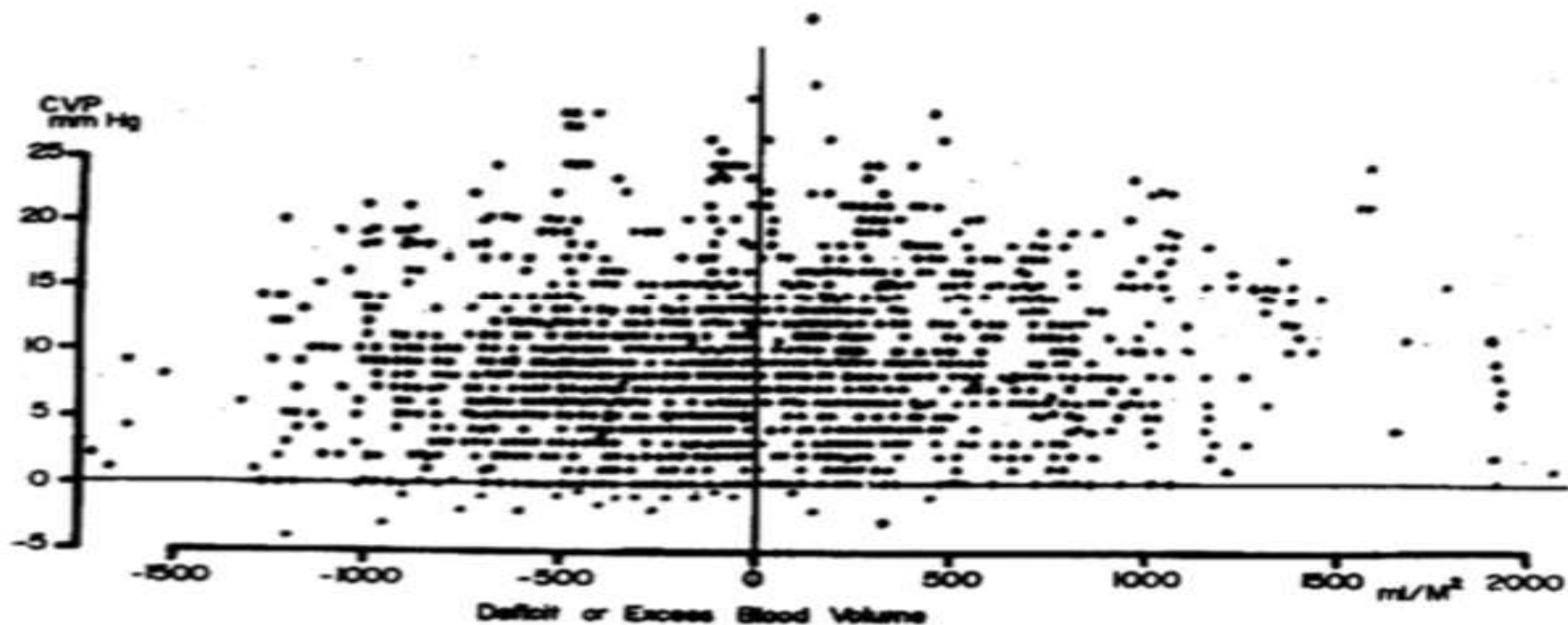
†Area under ROC curve of CVP and fluid responsiveness.

**Table 1—Summary of Studies of Blood Volume\***

Source	Setting	Type	Patients, No.	Methodology	r, Blood Volume
Baek et al, <sup>10</sup> 1975	ICU	General surgery	69	<sup>125</sup> I-albumin	0.19
Shippy et al, <sup>11</sup> 1984	ICU	ICU	118	<sup>125</sup> I-albumin	0.27
Hoefl et al, <sup>12</sup> 1994	OR/ICU	CABG	11	Indocyanine green	0.12
Oohashi et al, <sup>13</sup> 2005	ICU	Esophagectomy	16	Indocyanine green	0.17
Kuntscher et al, <sup>14</sup> 2006	ICU	Burns	16	COLD system†	0.02
Pooled value					0.16

\*OR = operating room; CABG = coronary artery bypass graft surgery.

†COLD Z-021 system (Pulsion Medical Systems; Munich, Germany).

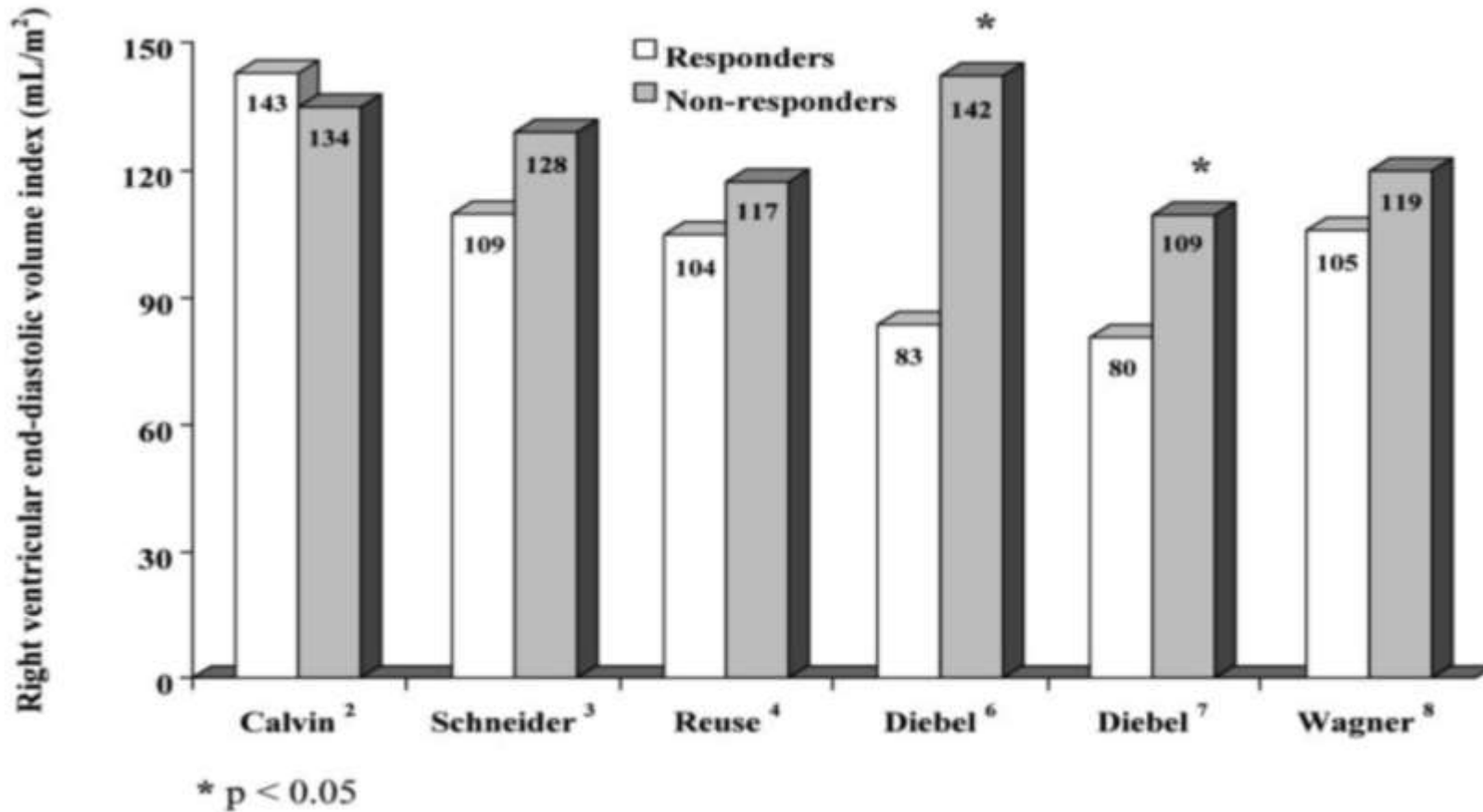


# Static indicator – Right ventricular end diastolic volume index

- 6 studies measured RVEDVI
- RVEDV index not significantly lower in responders than in non responders
- Weak correlation between baseline RVEDV index and the increase in stroke volume in response to volume expansion ( $r^2 = 0.19$ )
- No threshold to predict the hemodynamic response to volume expansion before fluid was administered



# Static indicator – Right ventricular end diastolic volume index



## Static indicator - Pulmonary artery occlusion pressure

- PAOP not significantly lower in responders when compared to non responders in 7 of 9 studies
- No threshold to predict the hemodynamic response to volume expansion before fluid was administered
- Weak relationship between the baseline PAOP and the increase in stroke volume in response to volume expansion ( $r^2 = 0.33$ )

## Static indicator- Left ventricular end diastolic area

- EDAI was significantly different between the two groups ( $9.7 \pm 3.7$  vs  $9.7 \pm 2.4$  cm<sup>2</sup>/m<sup>2</sup>)
- Baseline EDAI did not correlate significantly with the volume expansion-induced changes in cardiac index ( $r^2 = 0.11$ ;  $p = 0.17$ )

# Static indicators

- Reflect preload and are not accurate
- Apart from preload, stroke volume and cardiac output also depends on cardiac contractility

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**Massimo Antonelli**  
**Richard Beale**  
**Jan Bakker**  
**Christoph Hofer**  
**Roman Jaeschke**  
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**Michael R. Pinsky**  
**Jean Louis Teboul**  
**Jean Louis Vincent**  
**Andrew Rhodes**

## **Consensus on circulatory shock and hemodynamic monitoring. Task force of the European Society of Intensive Care Medicine**

### **GUIDELINES**

# **Surviving sepsis campaign: international guidelines for management of sepsis and septic shock 2021**



**Recommends using dynamic variables over static measures to guide fluid resuscitation, whenever applicable**

# Dynamic variables assessing preload responsiveness based on heart–lung interactions

- Pulse pressure variability (PPV)
- Stroke volume variability (SVV)
- Plethysmography variable index (PVI)
- Vena cava distensibility

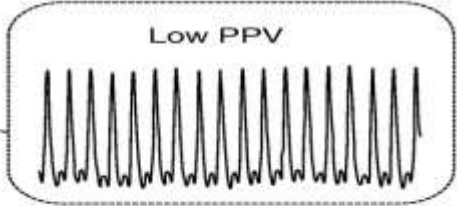
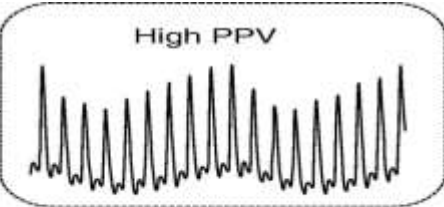
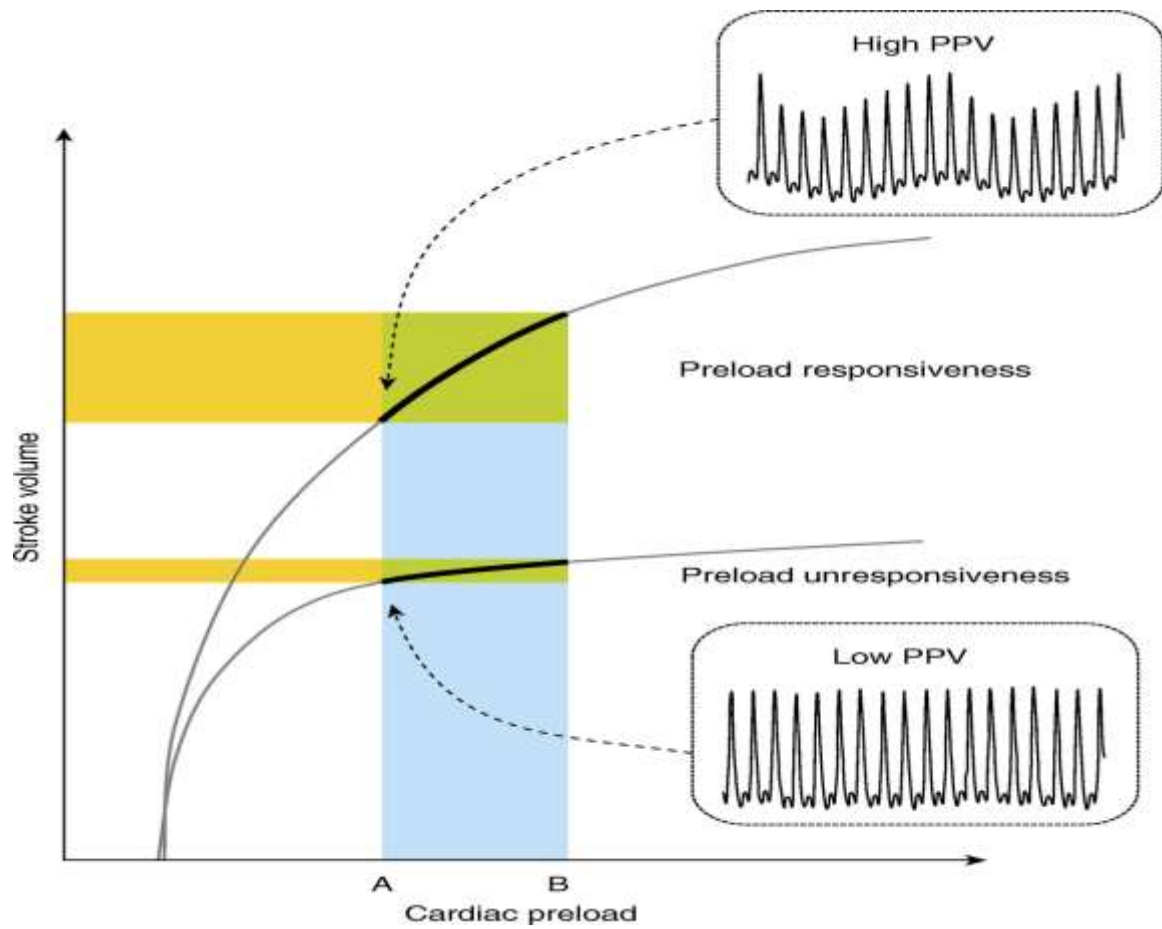
# Dynamic variables assessing preload responsiveness by mimicking a classic fluid challenge

- End expiratory occlusion test (EEOT)
- End expiratory occlusion test (EEOT) + End inspiratory occlusion Test
- Tidal volume challenge test
- Passive leg raising
- Mini fluid Challenge
- Trendelenburg manoeuvre

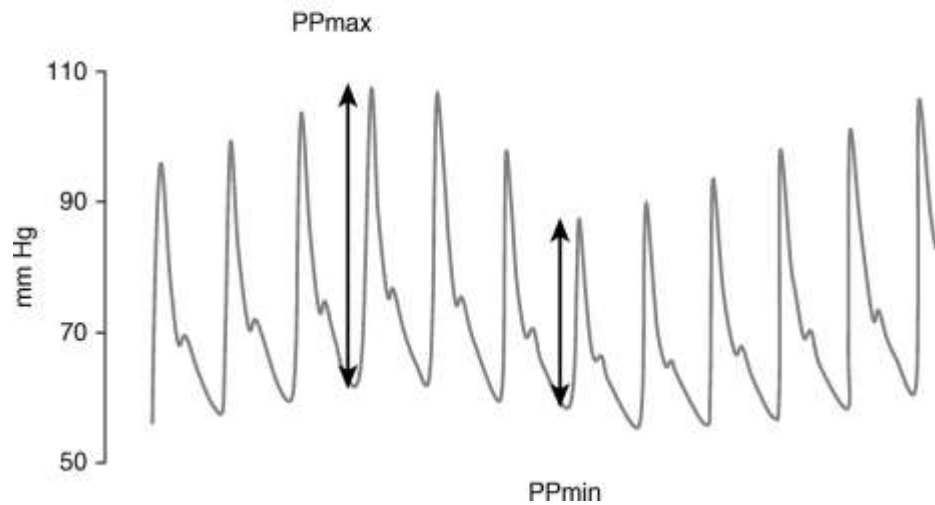
## Pulse pressure variability

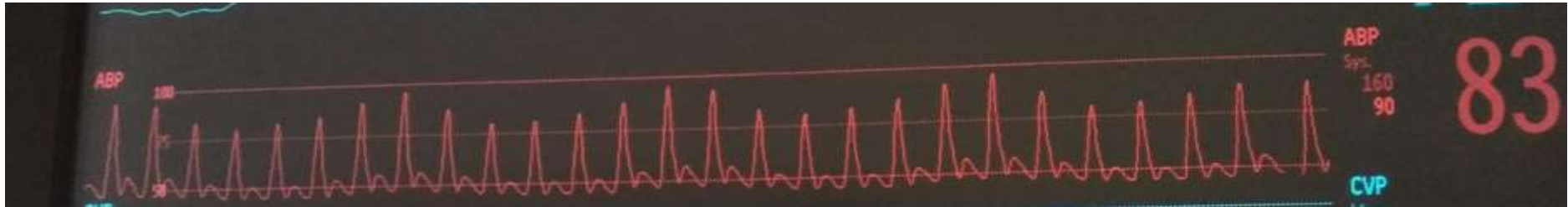
- Pulse pressure varies with respiration induced by positive pressure ventilation
- Indicator of a patient's position on the Frank-Starling Curve, a curve that denotes a patient response to preload (fluid responsiveness)
- $PPV = 100 \times (PP_{\max} - PP_{\min}) / Pp_{\text{mean}}$
- PPV of 12 to 15% is diagnostic threshold





$$PPV = \frac{PP_{max} - PP_{min}}{(PP_{max} + PP_{min}) / 2}$$





# Pulse pressure variability

- Meta-analysis of 22 studies and 807 patients,
- PPV predicted fluid responsiveness with an area under the receiving operating characteristic (AUROC) curve of 0.94 and a threshold of 12% PPV
- Sensitivity 0.88 (95% confidence interval (CI) 0.81 to 0.92) and pooled specificity 0.89 (95% CI 0.84 to 0.92)

# Limitations of pulse pressure variation

- Spontaneous breathing
- Cardiac arrhythmias
- Low tidal volume
- Low lung compliance
- Increased intraabdominal pressure
- Very high respiratory rate
- Right ventricular dysfunction

# Pulse pressure variability and low tidal volume

- 19 studies
- Total of 777 patients
- Sensitivity of PPV to predict fluid responsiveness during mechanical ventilation at  $V_t \leq 8\text{mL/kg}$  0.65 (95% confidence interval [CI]: 0.57-0.73), the specificity 0.79 (95% CI: 0.73-0.84), and the AUC was 0.75.

# Stroke volume variation

- Meta analysis
- 266 patients and 12 studies
- Pooled correlation coefficient between baseline stroke volume variation and change in stroke volume index/cardiac index is 0.72
- Sensitivity 0.82 (0.75–0.98) and specificity 0.86 (0.77–0.92)
- Area under ROC is 0.84 (0.81–0.87)

# Stroke volume variation and low tidal volume ventilation

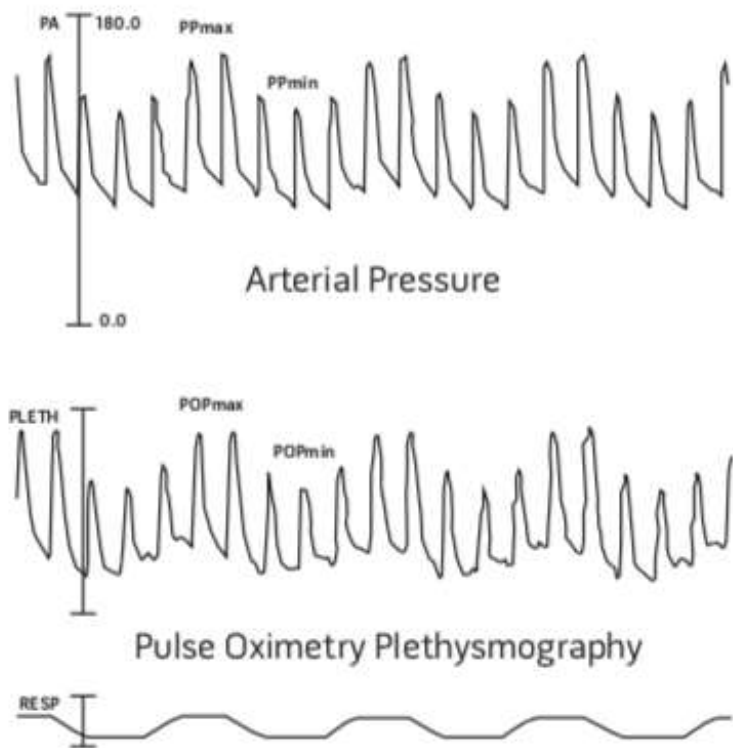
- A total of 33 studies involving 1352 patients were included for analysis
- Areas under the curve (AUC) for predicting fluid responsiveness for SVV is 0.90
- Sensitivity is 0.83 (0.75–0.88) and specificity is 0.85 (0.78–0.90)
- SVV threshold for fluid responsiveness is 12%





## Plethysmography variability index

- Delta POP – (respiratory variation of pulse oximetry plethysmographic amplitude) ( $\text{POP max} - \text{POP min} / \text{average POP}$ ) as percentage
- PVI is  $\text{PI max} - \text{PI min} / \text{PI max}$  as percentage
- PVI is a measure of dynamic changes in the Perfusion Index (PI) in one or more complete respiratory cycles



**Figure 1.** Relation between respiratory variations in pulse oximetry plethysmographic waveform amplitude and arterial pulse pressure in ventilated patients.

Adapted from Cannesson et al., 2005.<sup>10</sup>

# Plethysmography variability index

- Meta analysis
- 25 studies 975 mechanically ventilated patients
- Threshold is 12 – 15%
- Area under curve (AUC) of receiver operating characteristics (ROC) to predict preload responsiveness 0.82 (CI- 0.79–0.85)
- Sensitivity – 0.77 (95% CI 0.67–0.85)
- Specificity - 0.77 (95% CI 0.71–0.82)

## Limitations of PVI

- Arrhythmias
- Right heart failure
- Spontaneous breathing activity
- low tidal volume (<8ml/kg)
- Patients treated with vasopressors

# Tidal volume challenge

- Test consists of increasing the tidal volume from 6 to 8 mL/IBW for 1 minute
- Measure changes in Pulse Pressure Variation and stroke volume variation
- Change in PPV of 3.5% - diagnostic threshold
- Change in PPV– area under ROC - 0.99 (0.98–1.00)
- Change in PPV - Sensitivity – 94% and specificity – 100%

# Tidal volume challenge

- Change in stroke volume variation of 2.5% diagnostic threshold
- Change in SVV– area under ROC - 0.97(0.92–1.00)
- Change in SVV - Sensitivity – 88% and specificity – 100%



## End Expiratory occlusion test

- Interrupting the ventilator at end-expiration for 15–30 s
- Assess change in Cardiac output
- EEOT abolishes increase in intrathoracic pressure and prevents drop in preload
- Increases venous return and acts like a fluid challenge



# End expiration occlusion test

- 13 studies (9 in ICU care and 4 in operating room) included 530 Patients
- Pooled sensitivity - 0.85 [0.77–0.91]
- Pooled specificity - 0.88 [0.83–0.91].
- AUROC curve was 0.91 [0.86–0.94]
- Change in cardiac output threshold is 5%

## End Expiratory occlusion test

- 9 studies with tidal volume  $\leq 7$  mL/kg the AUROC curve 0.96 [0.92–0.97]
- Sensitivity 0.89 [0.70–0.96] and specificity 0.92 [0.83–0.96]
- 3 studies test duration was  $>15$  s AUSROC - 0.93 [0.88–0.95]
- Sensitivity of 0.87 [0.72–0.95] and Specificity of 0.86 [0.74–0.93]

## End Expiratory occlusion test

- Among 8 studies peep < 7 the AUROC curve - 0.89 [0.83–0.95] ,
- Sensitivity of 0.86 [0.80–0.91] and Specificity of 0.86 [0.79–0.91]
- 5 studies PEEP level >7 cmH<sub>2</sub>O it AUROC 0.95 [0.92–0.97]
- Sensitivity 0.85 [0.62–0.95] and Specificity of 0.93 [0.85– 0.97]

# End Expiratory occlusion test

- Advantage
- Low tidal volume ventilated patients
- Cardiac arrhythmias



# End Expiratory occlusion test + End inspiratory occlusion test

- 15-second end-inspiratory and end-expiratory occlusions
- Occlusions separated by 1 minute to allow the cardiac index to return to its baseline value
- Cardiac output measured by picco and echo during the last 5 sec
- Increase in cardiac output by 13% is diagnostic threshold

# End Expiratory occlusion test + End inspiratory occlusion test

## Predicting Fluid Responsiveness in Critically Ill Patients by Using Combined End-Expiratory and End-Inspiratory Occlusions With Echocardiography

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Variables	Receiver Operating Characteristics Curve Area	95% CI	Threshold Value (%)	Sensitivity (%) (95% CI)	Specificity (%) (95% CI)	Youden Index	<i>p</i> <sup>a</sup>	<i>p</i> <sup>b</sup>
Continuous pulse contour cardiac index								
Effect of the end-expiratory occlusion	0.982	0.853–1.000	4	93 (68–100)	100 (78–100)	0.93	< 0.0001	–
Effect of the end-inspiratory occlusion	0.760	0.570–0.896	–10	60 (32–84)	93 (68–100)	0.53	0.006	0.02
Added effects of both occlusions	0.924	0.767–0.989	11	93 (68–100)	80 (52–96)	0.73	< 0.0001	0.26
Velocity time integral of the left ventricular outflow tract								
Effect of the end-expiratory occlusion	0.938	0.785–0.993	5	93 (68–100)	100 (78–100)	0.93	< 0.0001	–
Effect of the end-inspiratory occlusion	0.904	0.740–0.981	–8	80 (52–96)	87 (59–98)	0.67	< 0.0001	0.58
Added effects of both occlusions	0.973	0.838–1.000	13	93 (68–100)	93 (68–100)	0.86	< 0.0001	0.44

# IVC assessment

- Meta analysis
- 20 studies – 1107 patients IVC collapsibility/distensibility
- Sensitivity 0.71 (95% CI: 0.62-0.80)
- Specificity 0.75 (95% CI: 0.64-0.85)
- Change in collapsibility index with of 12 to 18 percent has been associated with fluid responsiveness in mechanically ventilated patients
- Used in patients with  $V_t > 8\text{m}/\text{PBW}$  and also in cardiac arrhythmias



## Limitations of IVC assessment

- Ventilator settings - High peep and/or low tidal volume
- Patients inspiratory efforts – Assisted ventilation mode/non invasive ventilation/CPAP
- Lung hyperinflation - Asthma/COPD exacerbation
- Cardiac conditions impeding venous return - Chronic RV dysfunction, severe Tricuspid Regurgitation and Cardiac tamponade

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## Limitations of IVC assessment

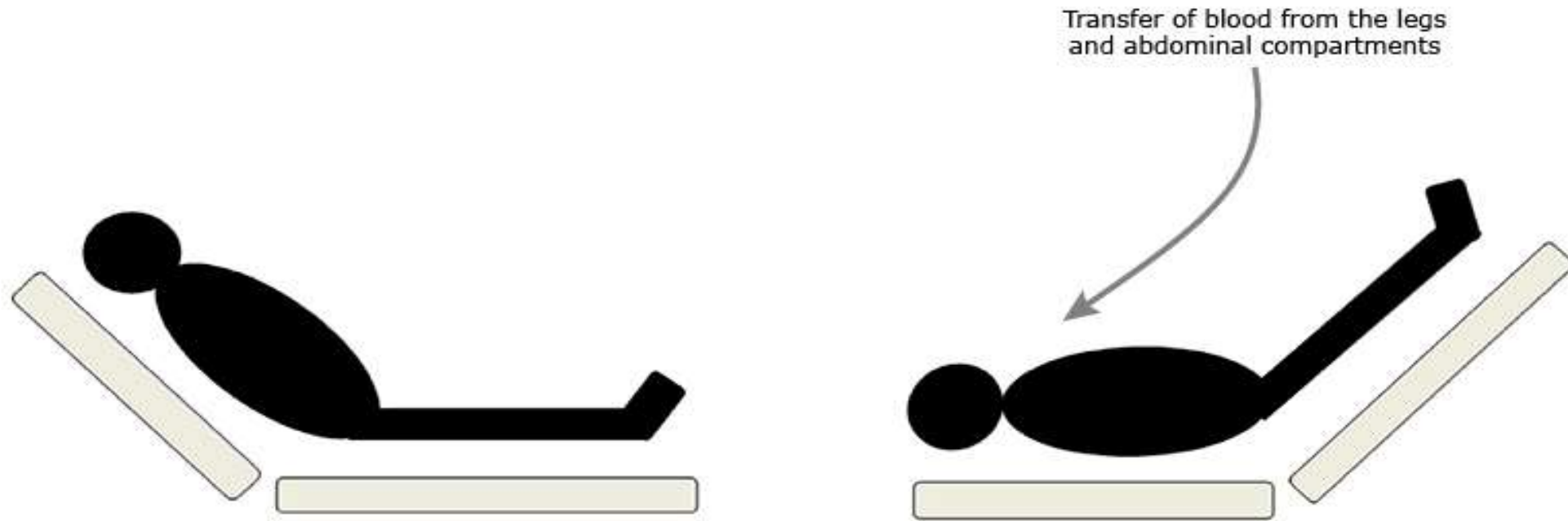
- Increased abdominal pressure – increased abdominal hypertension
- Local mechanical factors - Venous return hindrance, IVC dilatation (stenosis, thrombosis) , IVC compression(mass), Hindrance to IVC size change (ECMO cannulae, cava filters)
- Patients with pronounced IVC inspiratory lateral displacement - Migration of IVC imaging plane, false inspiratory size reduction

## Passive Leg Raising

- Provides a bolus of the patient's own intravascular blood from the capacitance veins of the lower extremities into the thorax
- No fluid infused, rapidly reversible test
- Can be used in spontaneously breathing patients, low tidal volume, low lung compliance, in patients with arrhythmia
- Begin procedure in semi recumbent position (blood from splanchnic circulation also adds to the infused volume)
- Measures cardiac output

## Passive leg raising maneuver for fluid responsiveness

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Passive leg raising maneuver. After starting with the head elevated to 45 degrees, rapidly repositioning the patient with legs elevated to 30 to 45 degrees allows autotransfusion of blood from the legs into the thorax. An increase in cardiac output suggests that the patient might be fluid responsive.

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# Passive Leg Raising

- Responders defined as increase in CO by 12-15%
- Reference standards – CO, cardiac index, stroke volume and aortic flow measurements after fluid challenge
- The pooled sensitivity and specificity of PLR-cCO were 89.4% (84.1–93.4%) and 91.4% (85.9–95.2%) respectively and pooled area under the receiver operating characteristics curve (AUC) was 0.95 (0.92–0.97)

# Predicting Fluid Responsiveness by Passive Leg Raising: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis of 23 Clinical Trials\*

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**TABLE 3. Overview of Measurement Techniques and Outcome Variables**

Author	Method 1	Outcome 1	Cutoff (%)	% Fluid Responders	Method 2	Outcome 2	Method 3	Outcome 3
Monnet (28)	Esophageal Doppler	ABF	15	52	ABP transducer	PP		
Lafanechère (29)	Esophageal Doppler	ABF	15	45				
Lamia (30)	Echocardiography	SVI	15	54				
Maizel (31)	Echocardiography	CO	12	50	Echocardiography	SV		
Monnet (32)	Pulse contour	CI	15	68	ABP transducer	PP		
Thiel (33)	Echocardiography	SV	15	46				
Biais (34)	Echocardiography	SV	15	67	Pulse contour*	SV		
Préau (35)	Echocardiography	SV	15	41	ABP transducer	PP	Femoral Doppler	Femoral blood flow
Lakhal (36)	Pulse contour	CO	10	42	ABP transducer	PP		
Benomar (37)	Bioreactance	CO	9	49				
Monnet (38)	Pulse contour	CI	15	88				
Guinot (39)	Echocardiography	SV	15	52	Echocardiography	CO		
Monnet (40)	Pulse contour	CI	15	58				
Dong (41)	Pulse contour	SVI	15	69	Central venous catheter	Central venous pressure		
Monge García (42)	Esophageal Doppler	CO	15	57	ABP transducer	PP	Gas analyzer tube	Partial end-tidal carbon dioxide
Monnet (43)	Pulse contour	CI	15	44				
Fellahi (44)	Pulse contour	CI	15	56	Endotracheal bioimpedance	CI		
Marik (45)	Bioreactance	SVI	10	53	Carotid Doppler	Carotid blood flow		
Monnet (46)	Pulse contour	CI	15	53	ABP transducer	PP	Capnography	End-tidal carbon dioxide
Saugel (47)	Pulse contour	CI	15	29	ABP transducer	Mean arterial pressure	Pulse contour	Cardiac power index
Brun (48)	Echocardiography	SVI	15	52	Brachial cuff	PP		
Kupersztych (49)	Pulse contour	CI	15	40	Bioreactance	CI		
Duus (50)	Bioreactance	SV	10	64				

**TABLE 4. Comparison of the Primary Measurement Techniques Measuring Flow Variables**

Technique	No. of Studies	No. of Fluid Challenges in Combination With Passive Leg Raise	Sensitivity	Specificity	Area Under the Receiver Operating Characteristic Curve
Esophageal Doppler	3	130	96 (84–99)	92 (77–97)	0.96
Transthoracic echocardiography	7	272	79 (68–87)	91 (86–95)	0.88
Pulse contour analysis	10	423	84 (77–89)	92 (87–95)	0.92
Bioreactance	3	209	84 (67–93)	86 (68–94)	0.89

# Passive leg raising

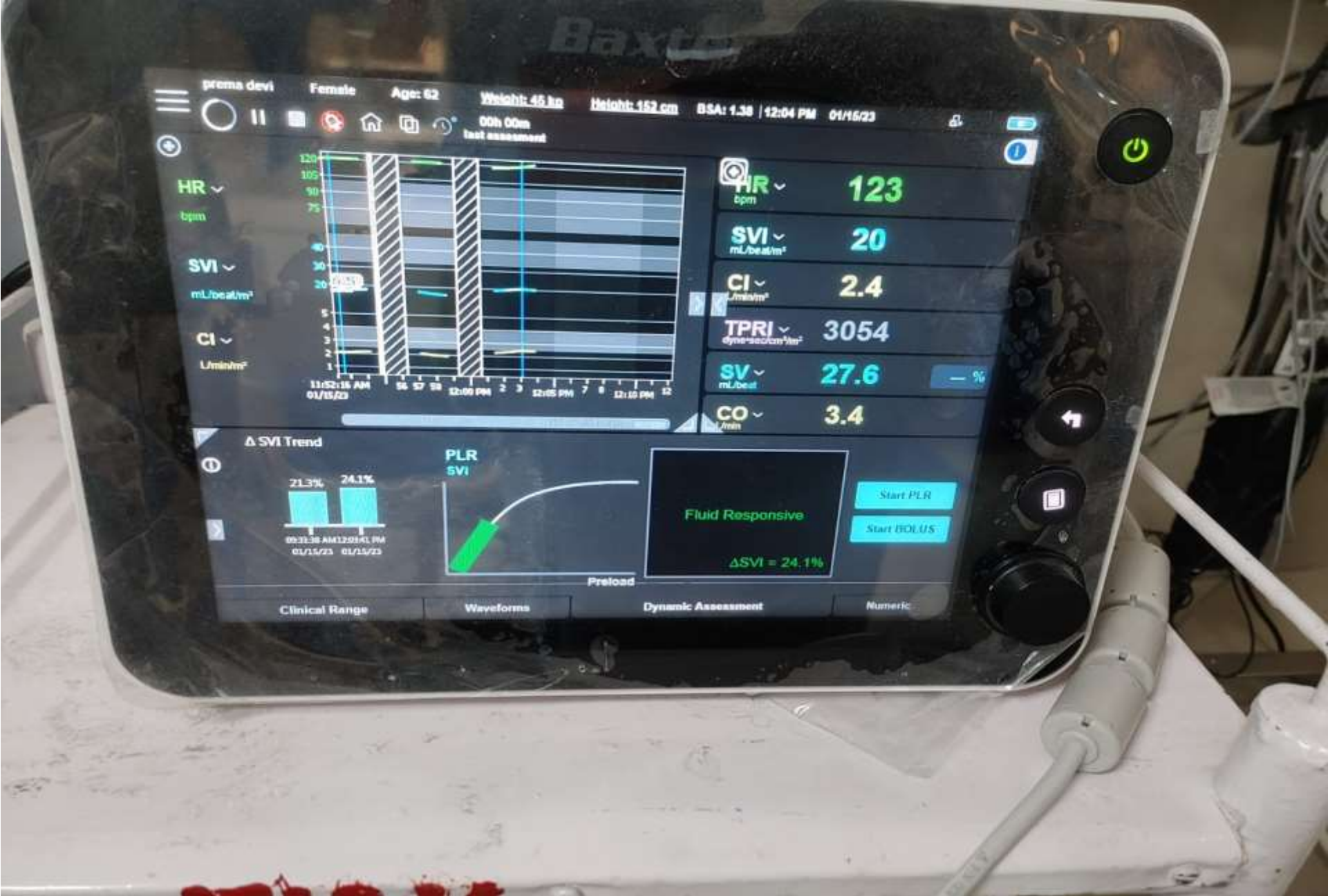
- **Advantages**

- Spontaneous breathing activity
- Cardiac rhythm
- Low Vt volume
- Lung compliance

- **Limitations**

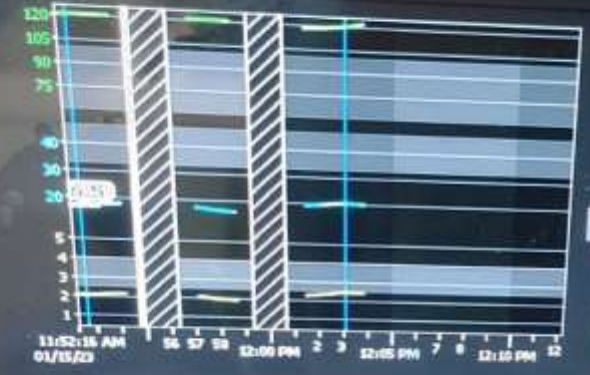
- False negatives in case of intra-abdominal hypertension and use of venous compression stockings





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SVI  $\vee$  20 mL/beat/m<sup>2</sup>  
CI  $\vee$  2.4 L/min/m<sup>2</sup>  
TPRI  $\vee$  3054 dyne·sec/cm<sup>5</sup>  
SV  $\vee$  27.6 mL/beat  
CO  $\vee$  3.4 L/min

$\Delta$  SVI Trend



Fluid Responsive  
 $\Delta$ SVI = 24.1%

Start PLR  
Start BOEUS

Clinical Range Waveforms Dynamic Assessment Numeric

## Mini fluid Challenge Test

- Infusing 100 to 150 mL of crystalloid or colloid over 1 min
- Index measured is :
- Change in cardiac output – 5%

# Mini fluid Challenge Test

- Advantages
- Spontaneous breathing activity,
- Cardiac rhythm
- Low Vt volume
- Lung compliance
- Intraabdominal hypertension

# Trendelenburg manoeuvre

Yonis et al. *Critical Care* (2017) 21:295  
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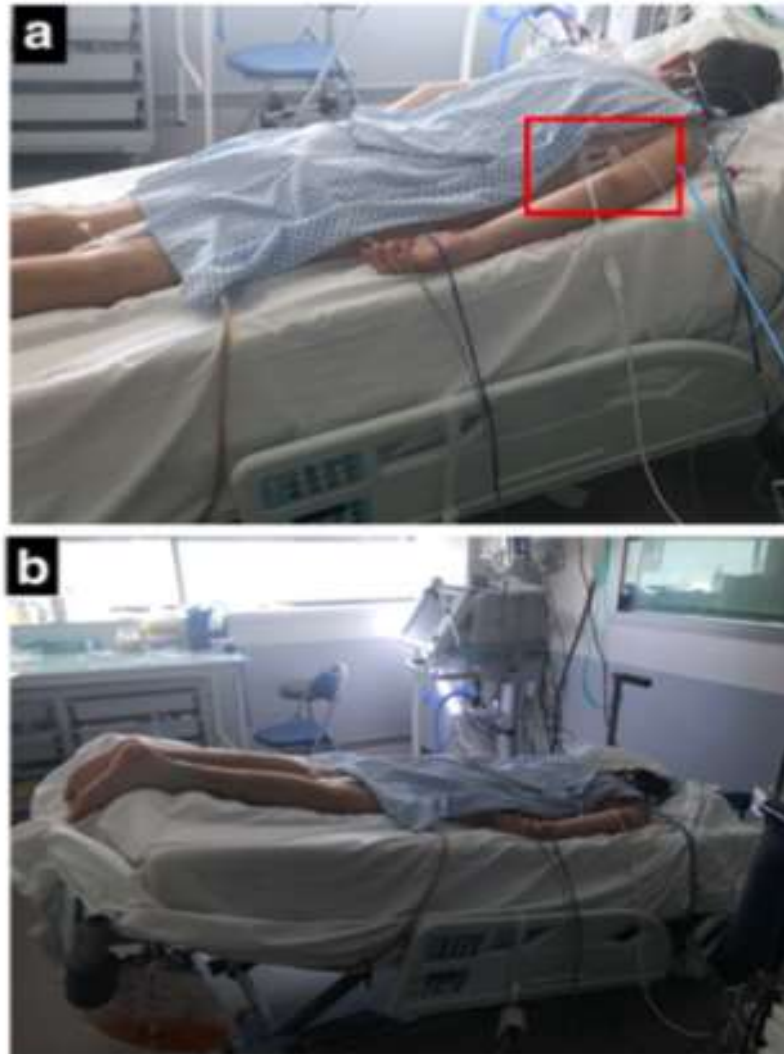
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**Change in cardiac output during Trendelenburg maneuver is a reliable predictor of fluid responsiveness in patients with acute respiratory distress syndrome in the prone position under protective ventilation**

- 33 patients - Single centre prospective study
- ARDS patient with failure in prone position
- Keep the Patient in Trendelenburg position for 1 min
- Increase in cardiac index  $\geq 8\%$  with sensitivity of 87% (95% CI, 67–100), and specificity of 89% (95% CI, 72–100)
- ROC for trendelenburg manoeuvre 0.90 (95% CI, 0.80–1.00)



**Fig. 1** Trendelenburg maneuver. **a** Starting position of the Trendelenburg maneuver with bed angulation  $+13^\circ$ . **b** Trendelenburg position with a  $-13^\circ$  downward bed angulation. **c** Pressure transducers taped on the thorax at the phlebostatic reference point

# Trendelenburg manoeuvre

- Advantage
- Possible even in prone position (ARDS patients)
- On operating table or under ECMO
- Works regardless of breathing activity
- Cardiac rhythm
- Low tidal volume
  
- Limitation
- Possible gastric reflux

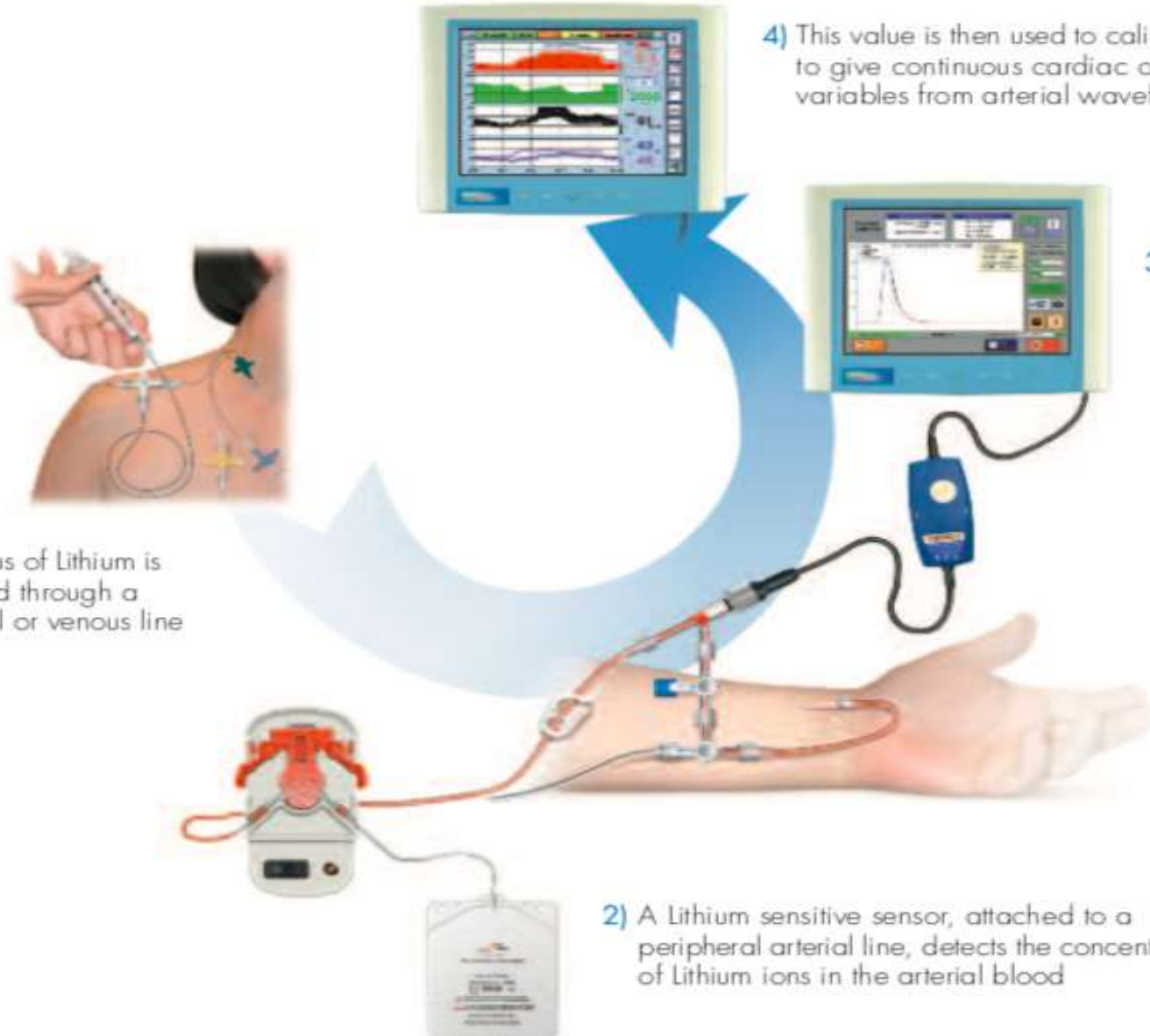
# Cardiac output

- Lithium dilution based device(LiDCO),
- Thermal dilution based device (PiCCO)
- Arterial waveform-based devices - FloTrac sensor and Vigileo monitoring system
- Thoracic electrical bioimpedance (TEB)
- Thoracic bioreactance
- Aortic doppler
- Point of care Echocardiography

## LiDCO Plus System

- A small dose of lithium injected (central or peripheral line)
- Lithium concentration measured by lithium sensitive electrode in arterial line
- From the concentration-time curve cardiac output is calculated ( $\text{Cardiac Output} = (\text{Lithium Dose} \times 60) / (\text{Area} \times (1 - \text{PCV}))$ )
- This measurement is used to calibrate pulse contour analysis software.
- After calibration continuous cardiac output monitoring is possible by analysing arterial pressure waveform





1) A bolus of Lithium is flushed through a central or venous line

2) A Lithium sensitive sensor, attached to a peripheral arterial line, detects the concentration of Lithium ions in the arterial blood

3) The Lithium indicator dilution 'wash-out' curve on the LiDCOplus provides an accurate absolute cardiac output value

4) This value is then used to calibrate the LiDCOplus to give continuous cardiac output and derived variables from arterial waveform analysis.

# Preload Response Parameters

Valid in fully ventilated closed chest patients only



- Select Graph
- SVV 0 %
  - PPV 11 %
  - SPV 0 mm Hg
  - HRV 1 %



Target Variable data:  
Starting baseline  
Current value and  
% Change from  
baseline

The Trend line is  
switched on

Baseline value

Press to Restart

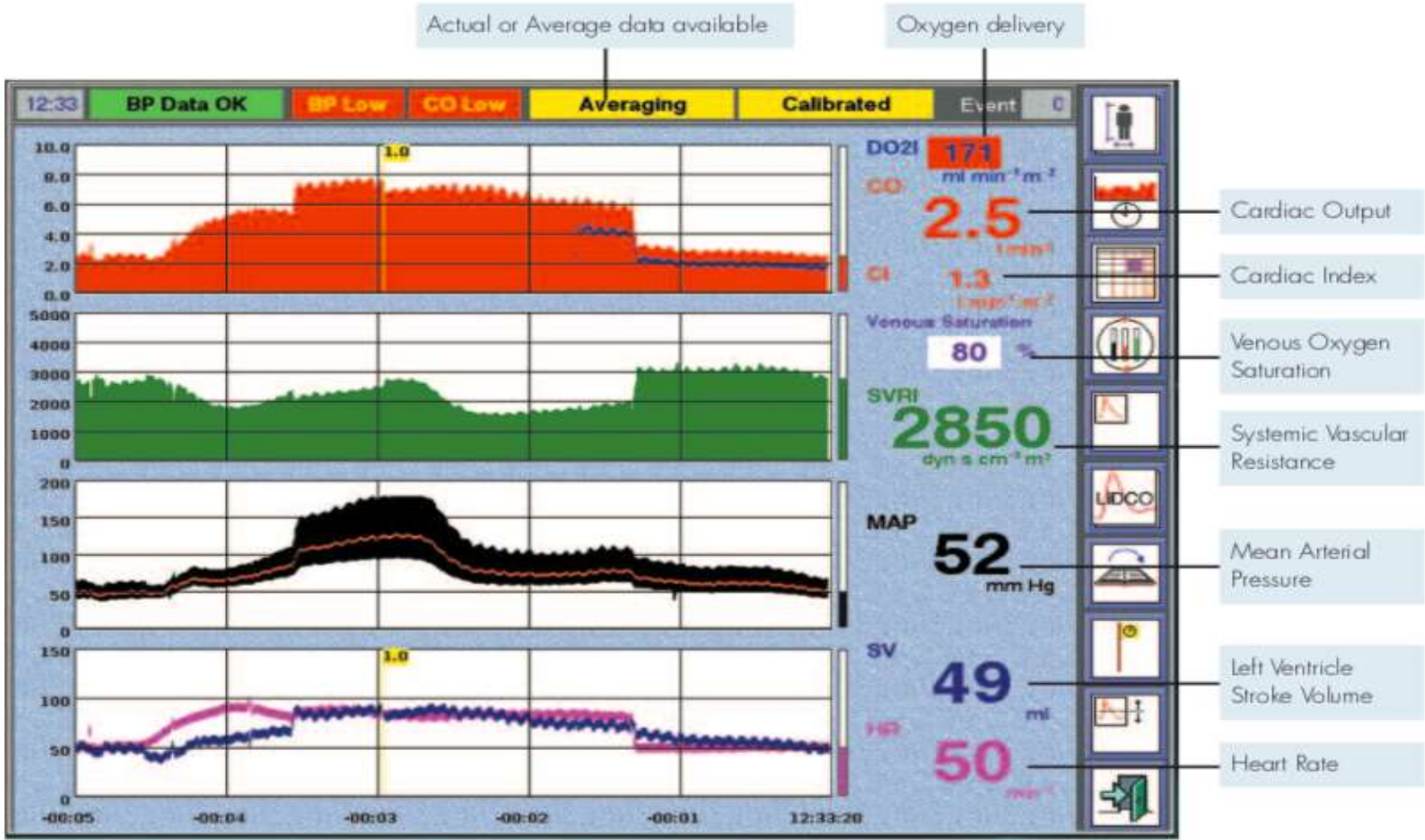
Press to Stop

Elapsed time until a  
new point is plotted

Press to minimize

Press to Exit

The control panel includes several buttons and indicators: a green left arrow button, a red square button, a 'Show Trend' button with a trend line icon, a USB icon, a yellow minimize button, a red X button, and a grey button with a gear icon. A progress bar is also present.



# LiDCO

- Prospective study where intermittent LiDCO (single injection of 0.3 mmol Lithium) compared to two calibrated (equalized to first LiDCO) continuous cardiac output algorithms over 24 hours
- Range of cardiac outputs was 3.45 to 10.47 litres per minute
- Correlation with Pulse CO (LiDCO LTD) ( $r^2 = 0.89$ :  $p \leq 0.05$ )
- Correlation with PiCCO ( $r^2 = 0.88$  :  $p \leq 0.05$ )

# LiDCO

- Measures absolute cardiac output value by proven indicator dilution technique
- Requires no additional invasive catheters to insert into the patient
- Safe – using non-toxic bolus dosages
- Simple and quick to set up
- Not temperature dependent
- less invasive monitoring

# PICCO (Pulse index Continuous Cardiac Output)

## **Transpulmonary thermodilution**

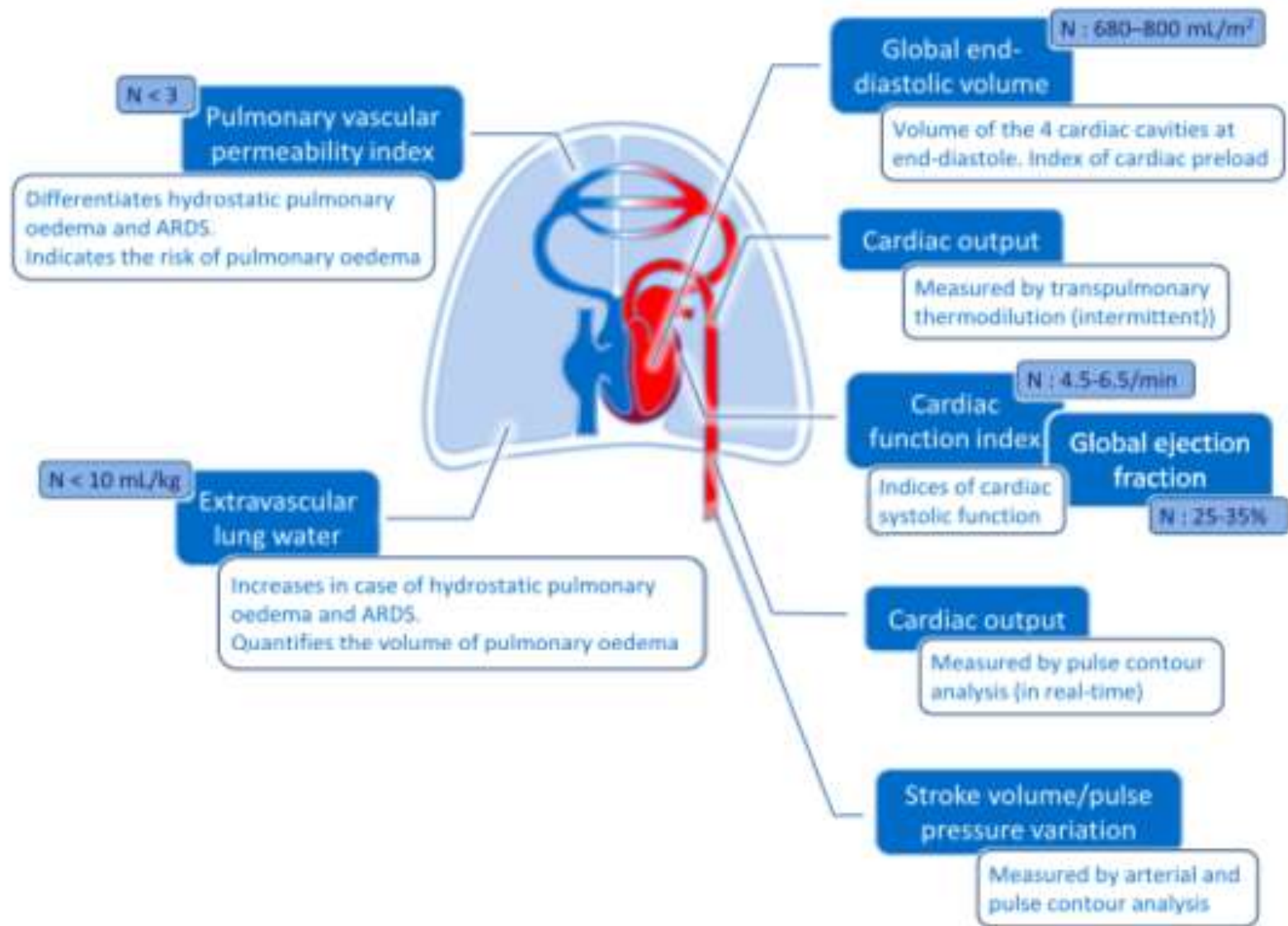
- Thermodilution cardiac output
- Volumetric preload (GEDV - Global End-Diastolic Volume)
- Contractility (CFI - Cardiac Function Index)
- Lung water (EVLW - Extravascular Lung Water)

## **Pulse contour analysis**

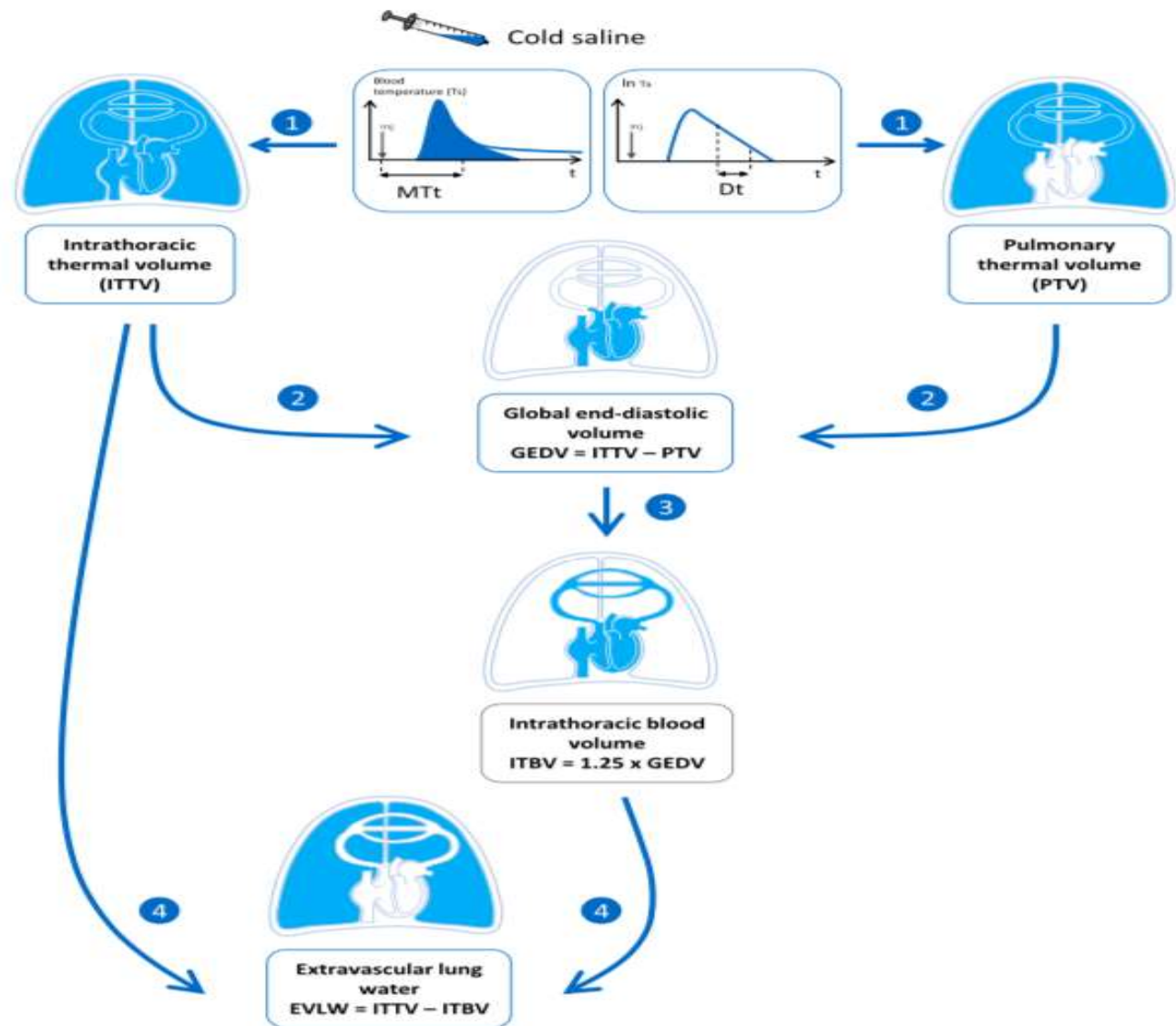
- Continuous cardiac output
- Afterload (SVR - Systemic Vascular Resistance)
- Stroke Volume (SV - Stroke Volume)
- Volume responsiveness (SVV , PPV)

# PICCO Thermodilution

- The cold indicator passes through the right heart, lungs and left heart
- The indicator is detected in a central artery
- Precise cardiac output measurement based on Stewart-Hamilton algorithm
- Breathing cycle independent
- Passage through the heart and lungs allows determination of preload volumes and lung water







**Fig. 2** Assessment of intrathoracic volume by the PiCCO device. With the VolumeView device, the geometrical analysis of the thermodilution curve directly estimates the global end-diastolic volume. *Dt* downslope time, *MTt* mean transit time. For explanation, see the text

# PICCO - GEDV

- Assessment of cardiac preload: global end-diastolic volume
- 36 patients with septic shock in medical ICU
- Changes in GEDV index were correlated ( $r = 0.72$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ) with changes in SVI

# PICCO -GEDV

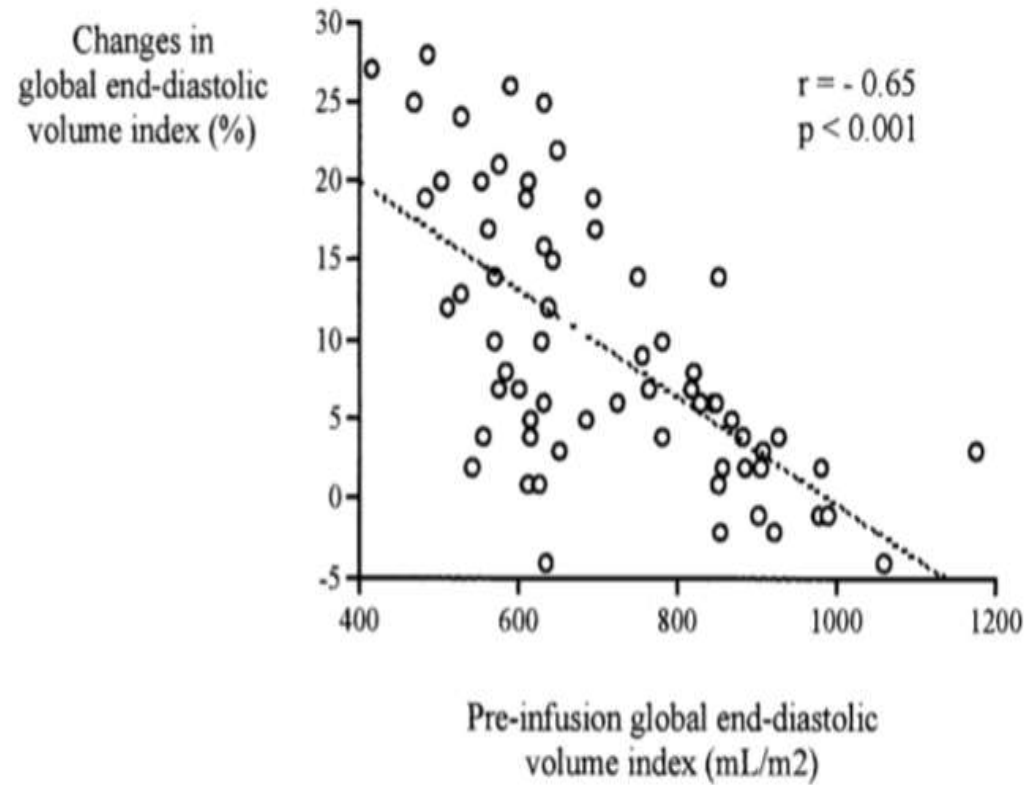


FIGURE 2. Relationship between the preinfusion GEDV index and volume loading-induced changes in GEDV index.

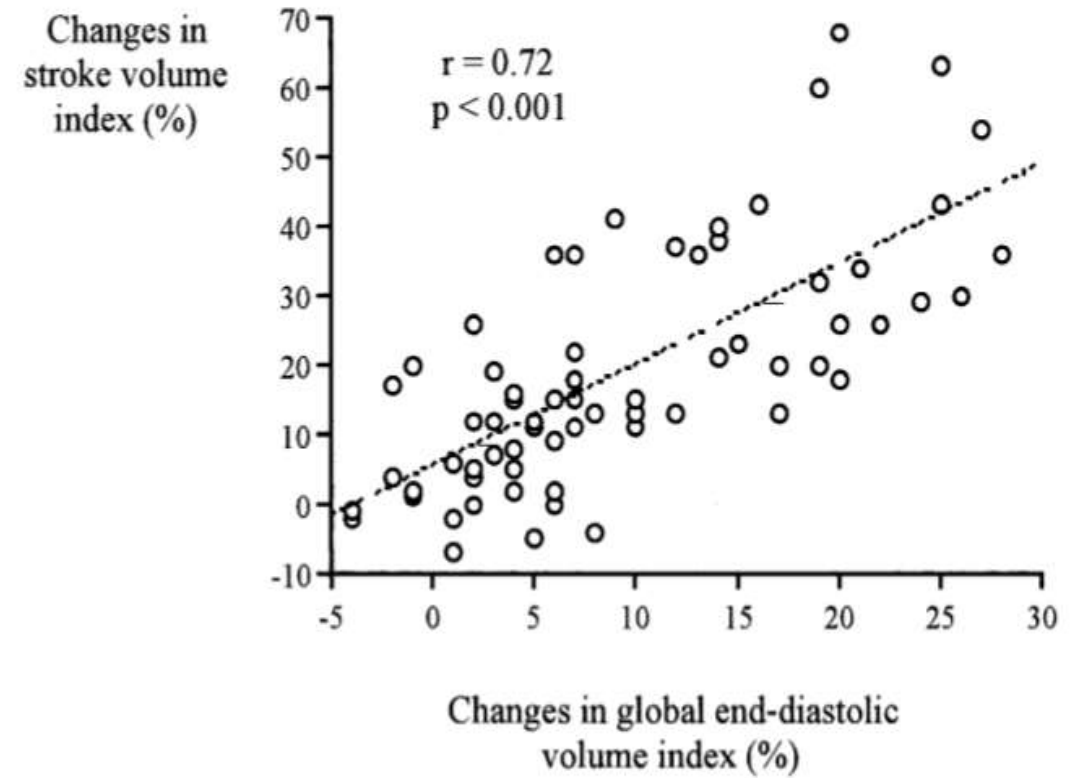


FIGURE 3. Relationship between volume loading-induced changes in GEDV index and changes in SVI.

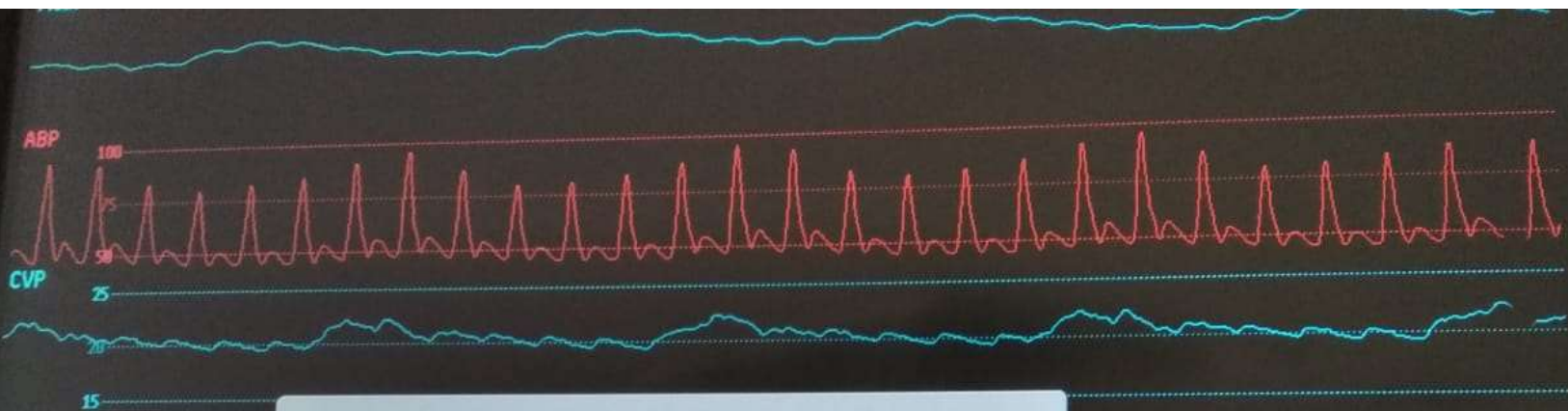
## PICCO -EVLWI

- 11 studies with 670 patients
- EVLWI significantly higher in non survivors than in survivors, with a mean difference of 5.06 mL/kg (95% confidence interval, -7.53 to -2.58)
- Independent predictor of ICU mortality in ARDS

# Cardiac Function Index

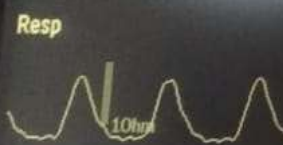
- Ratio of cardiac output (measured by TPTD) and GEDV
- To follow its trends following inotropic infusion along with global ejection fraction
- Unreliable in Right ventricular dilatation

Abbreviation	Range	Unit
CI	3.0 – 5.0	l/min/m <sup>2</sup>
SVI	40 – 60	ml/m <sup>2</sup>
GEDI	680 – 800	ml/m <sup>2</sup>
ITBI	850 – 1000	ml/m <sup>2</sup>
SVW	< 10	%
PPV	< 10	%
SVRI	1970 - 2390	dyn*s*cm <sup>-5</sup> *m <sup>2</sup>
CFI	4.5 – 6.5	1/min
MAP	70 – 90	mmHg
ELWI	< 10	ml/kg



ABP Sys: 100  
 83  
 90  
 CVP Mean: 21  
 10  
 0

Hemodynamic Calculations					
Height	160 cm			Calculation Time	
Weight	72.00 kg	BSA	1.75 m <sup>2</sup>	13 Nov 13:05	
C.O.	3.86 l/min	C.I.	2.21 l/min/m <sup>2</sup>		
HR	146 bpm	SV	26.4 ml	SI	15.1 ml/m <sup>2</sup>
ABPs	105 mmHg	SVR	911 DS/cm <sup>5</sup>	SVRI	1595 DSm <sup>2</sup> /cm <sup>5</sup>
ABPd	53 mmHg	LCW	3.4 kg-m	LCWI	1.9 kg-m/m <sup>2</sup>
ABPm	65 mmHg	LVSW	23.4 g-m	LVSWI	13.4 g-m/m <sup>2</sup>
CVPm	21 mmHg				
GEF	14 %	EVLW	543 ml	EVLWI	9.5 ml/kg
SVV	32 %	ITBV	1010 ml	ITBVI	635 ml/m <sup>2</sup>
PPV	%	GEDV	808 ml	GEDVI	508 ml/m <sup>2</sup>
dPmax	1556	CFI	4.8	PVPI	2.7



RR: 22  
 30  
 8  
 SI: 15  
 SVV: 36

CCI: 2.2  
 SV: 27

Silence  
 Pause Alarms

Calculations  
 Resample Vitals Perform Print On/Off On/Off

# Arterial wave form analysis

- Invasive method of determining cardiac output
- Cardiac output and stroke volume estimated from arterial lines
- FloTrac sensor and Vigileo monitoring system
- Arterial waveform sampled every 20 s at 100 Hz, resulting in 2000 data points
- Stroke volume = Standard deviation of these data points × conversion factor



# Arterial waveform based devices

- Flo Trac sensor attaches existing arterial line and monitors advanced hemodynamic parameters
- Stroke Volume (SV)
- Stroke Volume Variation (SVV)
- Mean Arterial Pressure (MAP)
- Cardiac Output (CO)
- Systemic Vascular Resistance (SVR)

# **Changes in stroke volume induced by passive leg raising in spontaneously breathing patients: comparison between echocardiography and Vigileo™/FloTrac™ device**

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- Thirty-four patients with spontaneous breathing activity
- Measurements of stroke volume done with transthoracic echocardiography (SV-TTE) and with the Vigileo™ (SV-Flotrac) in a semi-recumbent position, during Passive leg raising and after volume expansion (500 ml saline).
- Increase in SV-TTE  $\geq 13\%$  during PLR was predictive of response to volume expansion with a sensitivity of 100% and a specificity of 80%.

## Flo Trac sensor and Vigileo monitoring system

- Increase in SV - Flotrac  $\geq 16\%$  during PLR was predictive of response to volume expansion with a sensitivity of 85% and a specificity of 90%
- Volume expansion-induced changes in SV-TTE correlated with volume expansion-induced changes in SV-Flotrac ( $r^2 = 0.77$ ,  $P < 0.0001$ ).

# Aortic doppler

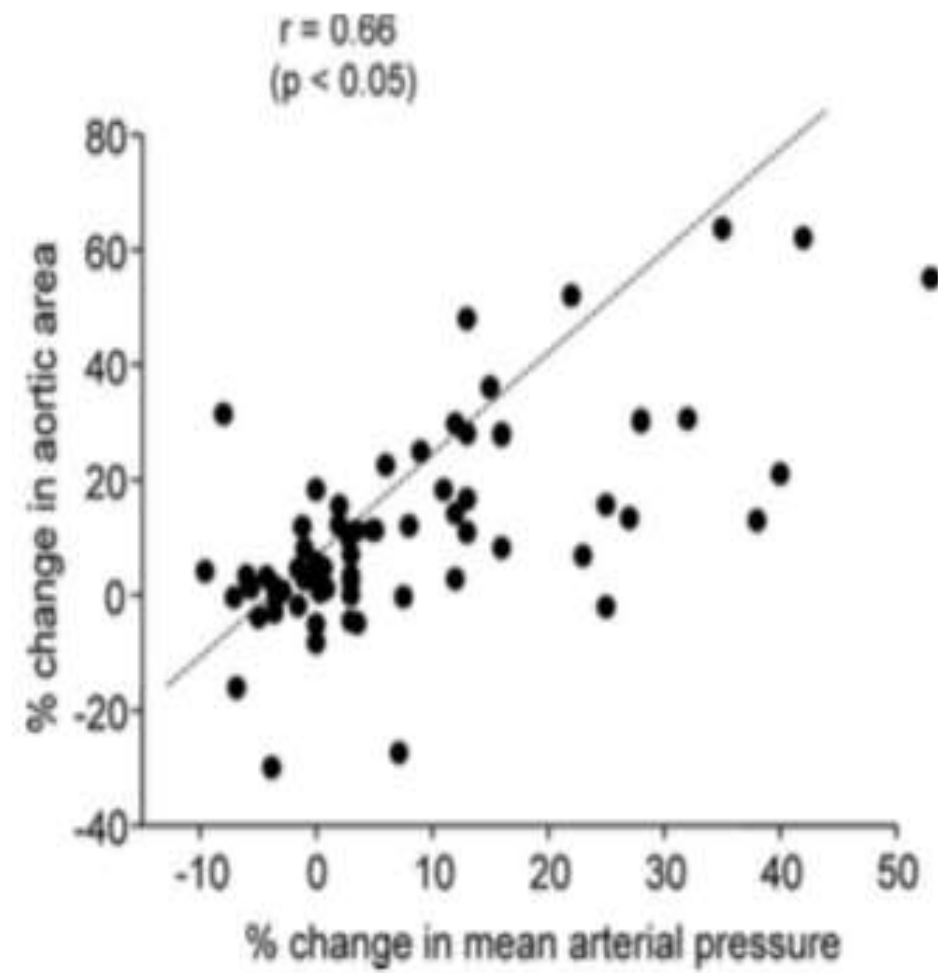
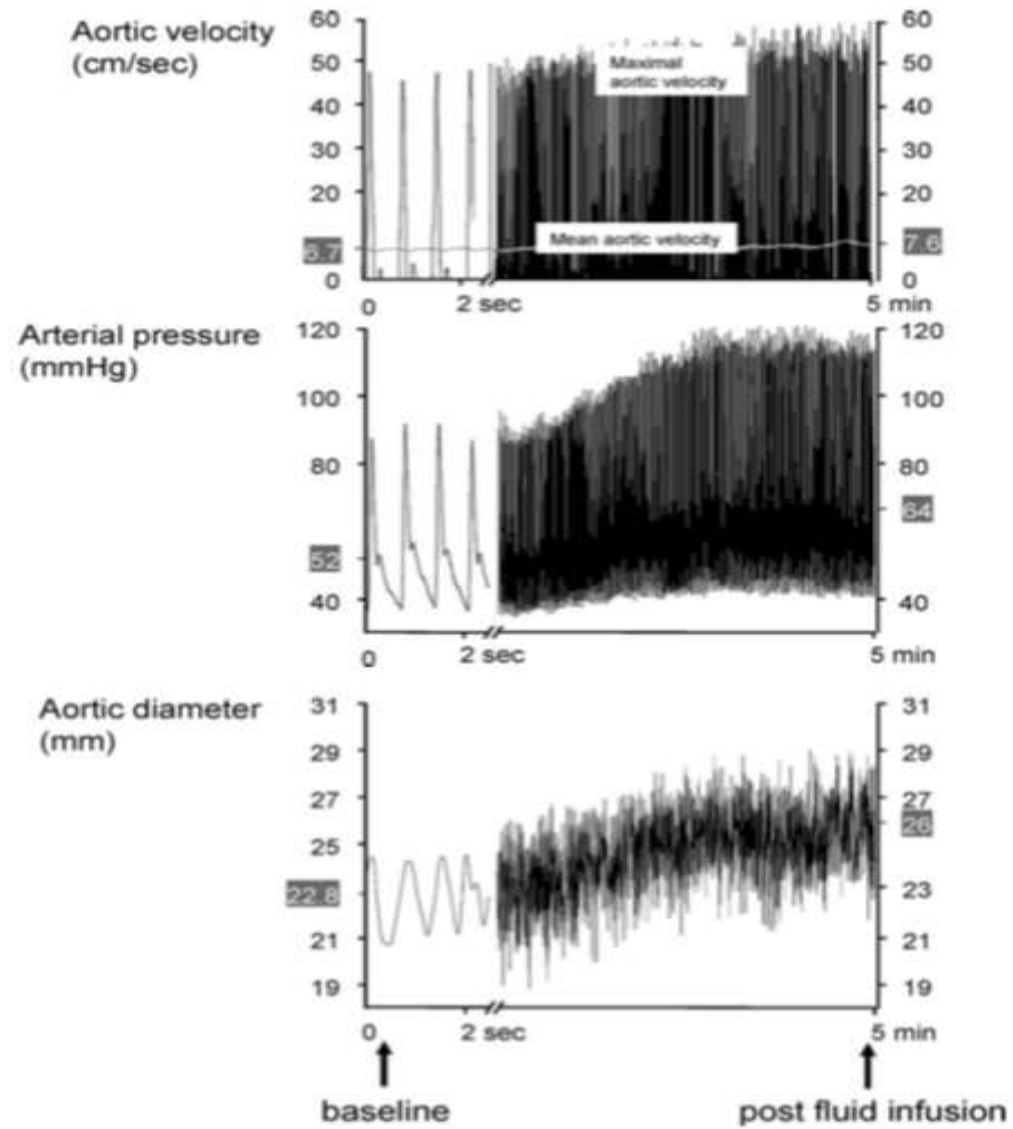
- Aortic Doppler - blood flow velocity in the aorta by means of a Doppler probe(esophagus (esophageal Doppler) or placed on the anterior chest wall (ie, transcutaneous Doppler)
- The CO is calculated based on the diameter of the aorta, the distribution of the CO to the descending aorta, and the measured flow velocity of blood in the aorta
- Doppler waveform is highly dependent on correct positioning, as it must be well aligned with the direction of blood flow.
- Poor positioning tends to underestimate true CO.

# Aortic doppler

- 76 patients with acute circulatory failure
- Rapid volume expansion (500 mL of NaCl 0.9%)
- Aortic Blood Flow calculated from the values of aortic velocity and aortic diameter.
- ABF before, aortic blood flow obtained from aortic velocity and diameter measured before fluid expansion
- Estimated ABF after, aortic blood flow estimated from aortic velocity measured after fluid expansion and aortic diameter measured before fluid expansion

## Aortic doppler

- Measured ABF after, aortic blood flow obtained using the aortic velocity and the aortic diameter measured after fluid expansion
- Measured ABF after was used for assessing fluid response, it increased above 15% compared with ABF at baseline in 41 patients (responders)
- Estimated ABF after increased above 15% from ABF at baseline in 27 patients only

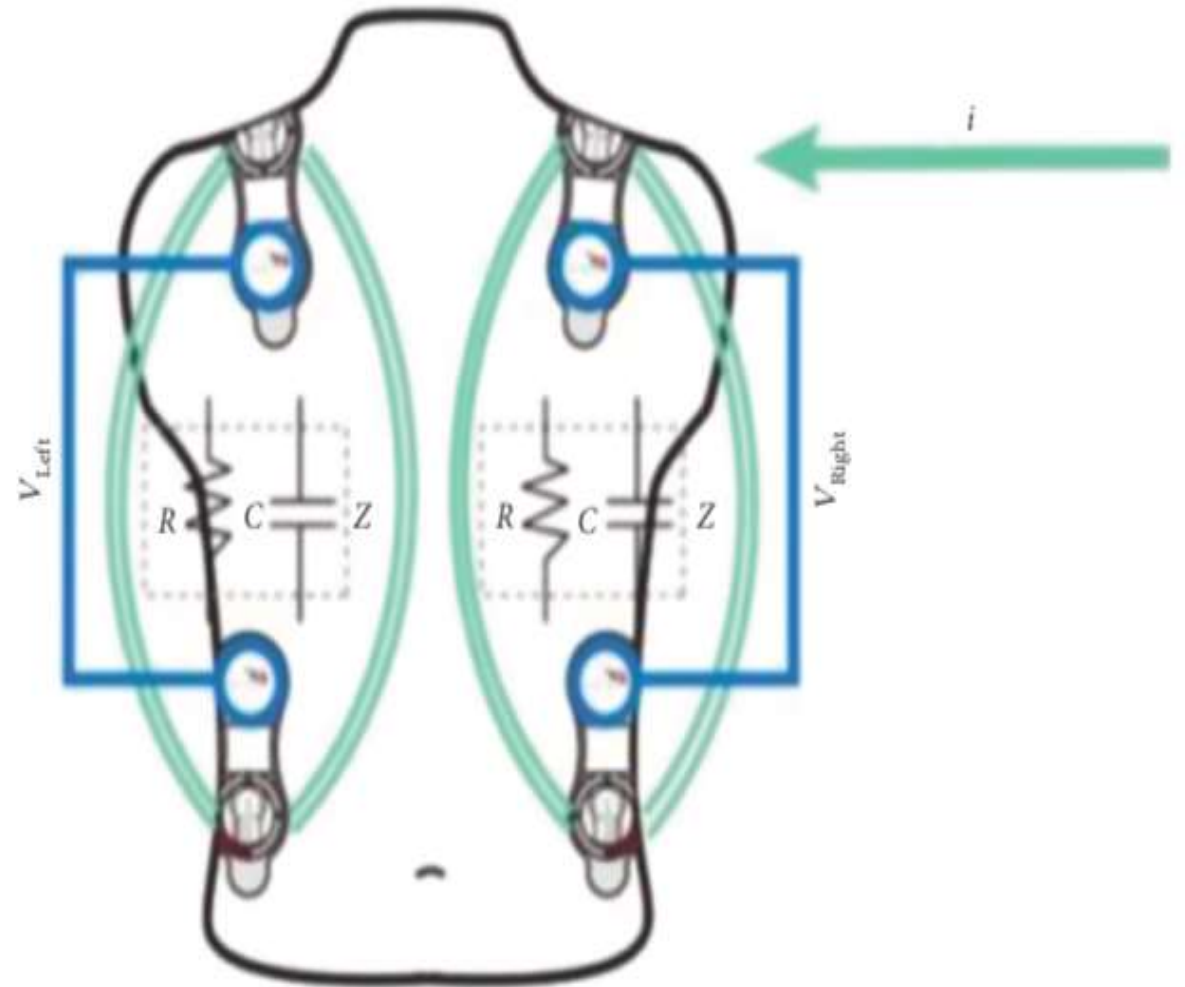
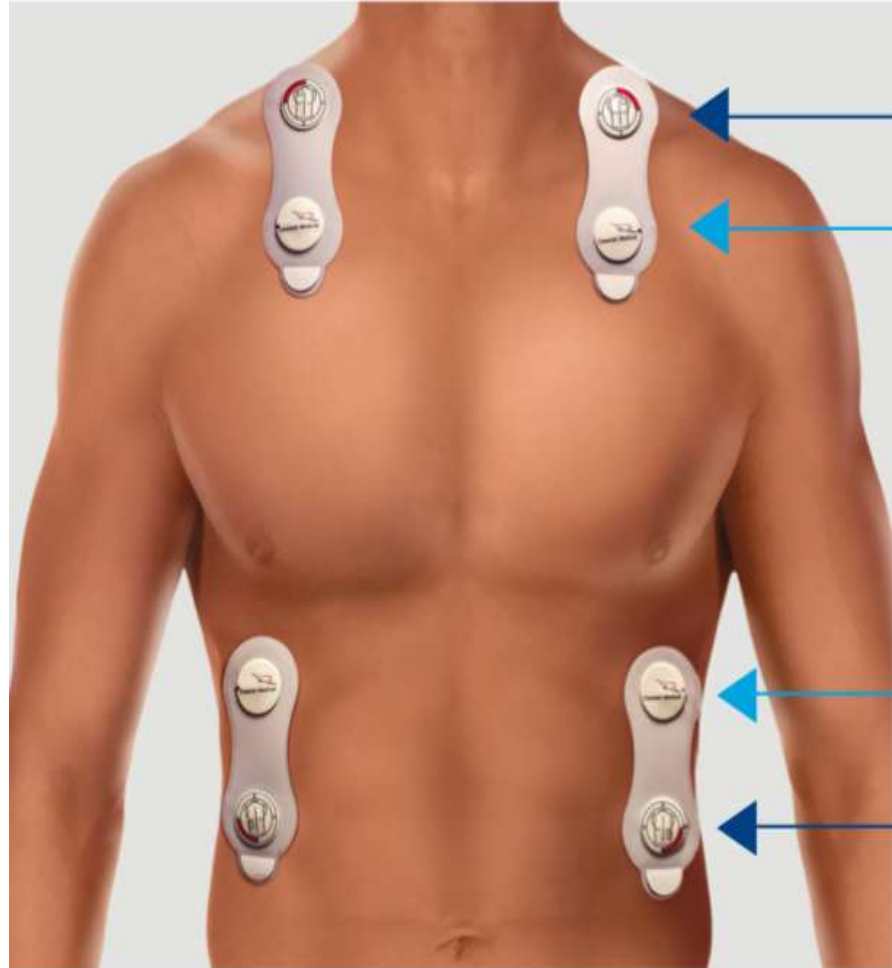


## NICCOM - Bioreactance – Baxter Cheetah

- Four non-invasive sensor pads are applied to the thorax, creating a “box” around the heart
- A small electric current is applied across the thorax between the outer pair of sensors
- A voltage signal is recorded between the inner pair of sensors
- The flow of blood in the thorax introduces a time delay or phase shift in the signal
- The monitor uses this phase shift as a baseline for stroke volume measurements



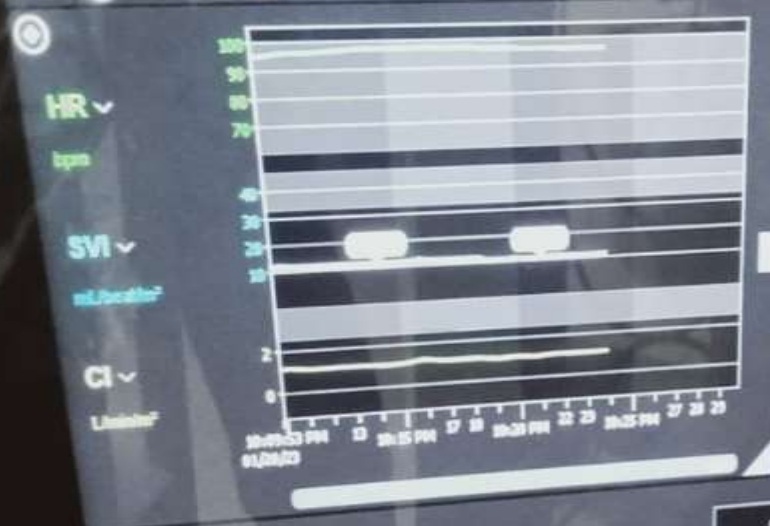
# Bioreactance – Baxter Cheetah



# NICCOM

- Single centre observational study
- 50 patients
- Correlation coefficient between PCO and NCO ( $r = 0.77, p < 0.001$ )

gemma 6000 Female Age: 62 Weight: 71.1kg Height: 152 cm BSA: 1.88 | 10:24 PM 01/20/23  
Full assessment



- Add:
- BP
  - CO
  - CI
  - HR
  - VET
  - SV
  - SVI
  - SVI-[%]
  - SVI-[%]
  - SW
  - TFC
  - TFCI
  - TFCO
  - ZP
  - DO2
  - SpO2
  - TFR
  - TFRU
  - CP
  - CFI
  - HGB



16 Minutes  
Last Result  
Not Fluid Responsive  
ΔSM = -11.6%

Start PLR  
Start BOLUS

Clinical Range Waveform Dynamic Assessment Numeric

# RICU - NICCOM

**TO INITIATE MONITORING, YOU NEED: STARLING MONITOR AND SENSORS**  
 Power On > New Patient > Enter Patient ID/Age/Wt/Ht/Gender > Start Session > *Automatically Calibrates*

**DOES MY PATIENT HAVE A LOW BLOOD PRESSURE/MAP OR PERFUSION PROBLEM (I.E., LOW UOP/HIGH LACTATE)?  
 DO I NEED TO GIVE FLUID?**  
 (only ~50% of hemodynamically unstable patients are fluid responsive!)



**Results<sup>3</sup>: ≥10% ΔSVI patient is likely fluid responsive  
 <10% ΔSVI (including negative numbers) patient is not likely fluid responsive**

**"Would you like to start immediately from the challenge stage?"** means "Can I use the last 3 minutes of SVI data as my baseline?" (i.e., no nursing interventions)  
**"Baseline shows unstable results"** means the last 3 SVI readings have changed more than 10%. Consider repeating baseline.



**CALIBRATION VS. BASELINE:**  
**Calibration** = signal optimization occurs during initial pt. set-up.  
**Baseline** = initial SVI readings of a dynamic assessment



- SENSORS:**
- "Box in" the heart
  - Red dashes indicate right/left and upper/lower
  - White tabs point to toes
  - Can be on front or back in any combination

- NEED TO RECALIBRATE:**  
 (Session Controls > Recalibrate)
- If any or all sensors are moved or replaced
  - Once a shift

# RICU - NICCOM

Parameters	Normal Adult Range <sup>13</sup>	Cardiogenic Shock	Septic Shock	Hypovolemic Shock
BP (MAP)	> 65	↓	↓	↓
Heart Rate (HR)	60-100	↑	↑	↑
Cardiac Index (CI)	2.5-4.0 L/min/m <sup>2</sup>	↓	early late ↓	early late ↓
Total Peripheral Resistance Index (TPRI)	1970-2390 dynes • sec/cm <sup>5</sup> /m <sup>2</sup>	↑	↓	↓
Common Stroke Volume Response (ΔSVI) to Dynamic Assessment		ΔSVI <10%	ΔSVI ≥10%	ΔSVI ≥10%

ΔSVI ≥10% Predictive of 15% increase in CO with 500cc<sup>14</sup>

### Dynamic Assessments Directly Challenge the Heart with Volume to Measure its Response:

Passive Leg Raise (PLR) Maneuver — Translocation of 250-300cc of blood from lower extremities into the heart<sup>3</sup> • Fluid Bolus Challenge (FB) — Rapid Infusion of 250cc of fluid over 3-5 minutes<sup>3</sup>

Parameters	Equation	Normal adult range
Stroke Volume (SV)	CO/HR x 1000	60 – 100 mL/beat
Stroke Volume Index (SVI)	SV/BSA	33 – 47 mL/beat/m <sup>2</sup>
Δ Stroke Volume Index (ΔSVI)	Change in SV after Dynamic Assessment	≥10% Likely to be Fluid Responsive <sup>3</sup> <10% Unlikely to be Fluid Responsive <sup>3</sup>
Cardiac Output (CO)	HR x SV/1000	4.0 – 8.0 L/min
Cardiac Index (CI)	CO/BSA	2.5 – 4.0 L/min/m <sup>2</sup>
Mean Arterial Pressure (MAP)	(SBP + [2 x DBP])/3	70 – 105 mmHg
Total Peripheral Resistance (TPR)	80 x (MAP)/CO	800 – 1200 dynes • sec/cm <sup>5</sup>
Total Peripheral Resistance Index (TPRI)	80 x (MAP)/CI	1970 – 2390 dynes • sec/cm <sup>5</sup> /m <sup>2</sup>

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