



# Affordable Cardiac Output Monitoring for the Anaesthetist

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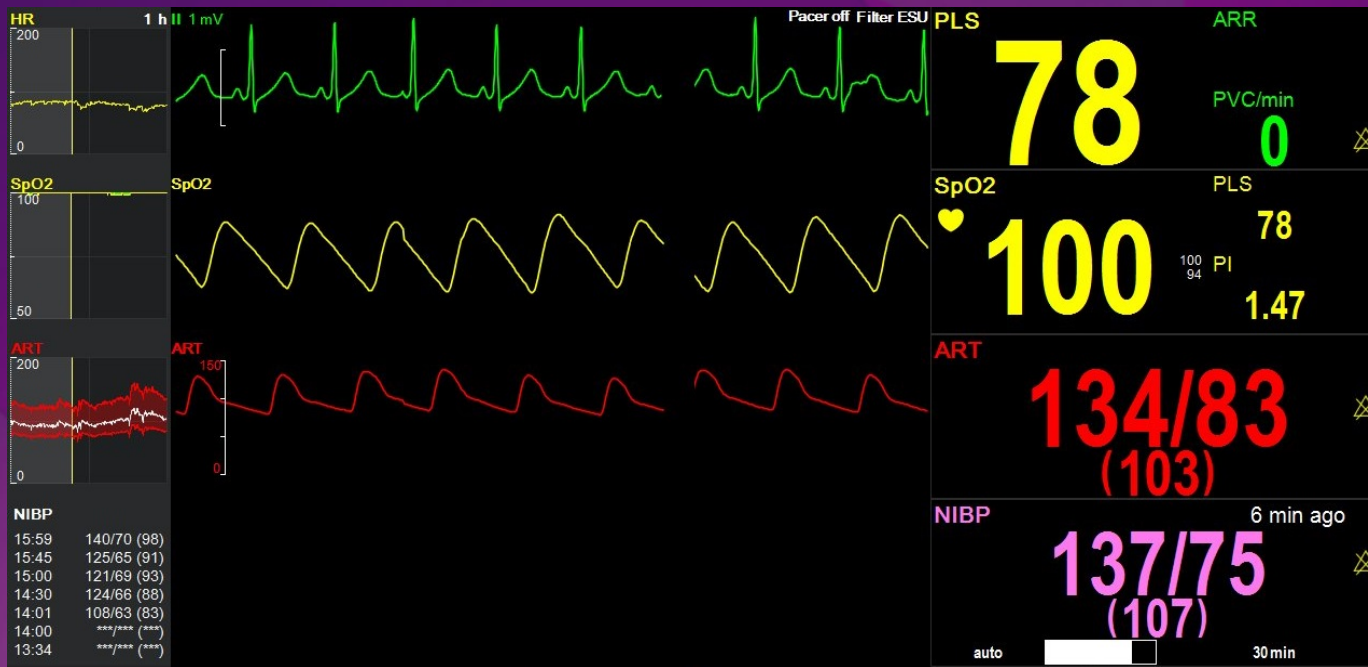
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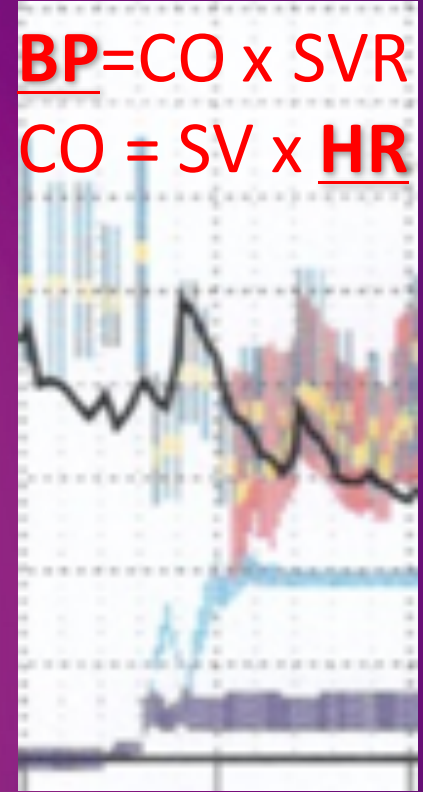
# BLOOD PRESSURE (BP) AND HEART RATE (HR) MONITORING

Key role played in managing anaesthesia

# Anaesthesia scenario:

- After induction BP drop to 60/30mmHg
- Treatment:
  - Fluids or Vasopressor
  - But which & how much?
- *Knowing stroke volume would help*
  - *But how do you measure SV or CO?*

$$\text{BP} = \text{CO} \times \text{SVR}$$
$$\text{CO} = \text{SV} \times \text{HR}$$



# Perioperative fluid administration: Recent outcome data from the USA

Enhanced Recovery Partnership **NHS**

**84,722 Colon surgery patients from 499 USA Centers**

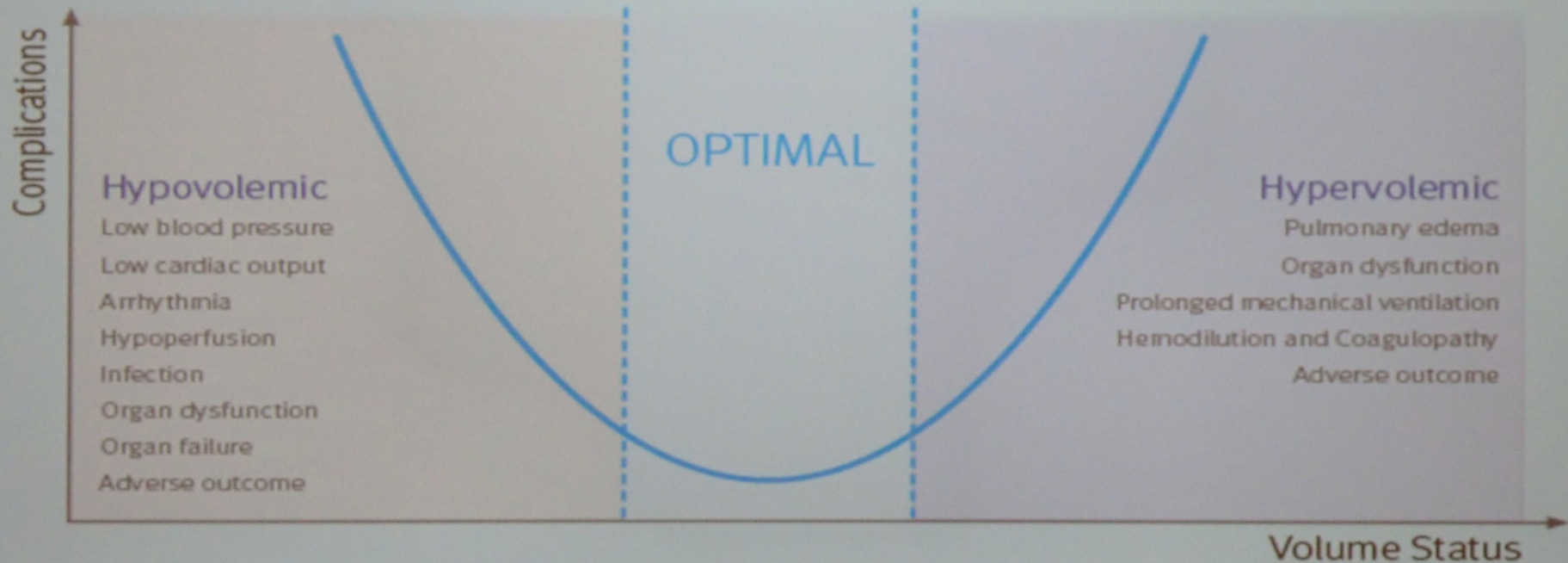


Thacker KM et al. Annals of Surgery – 2015

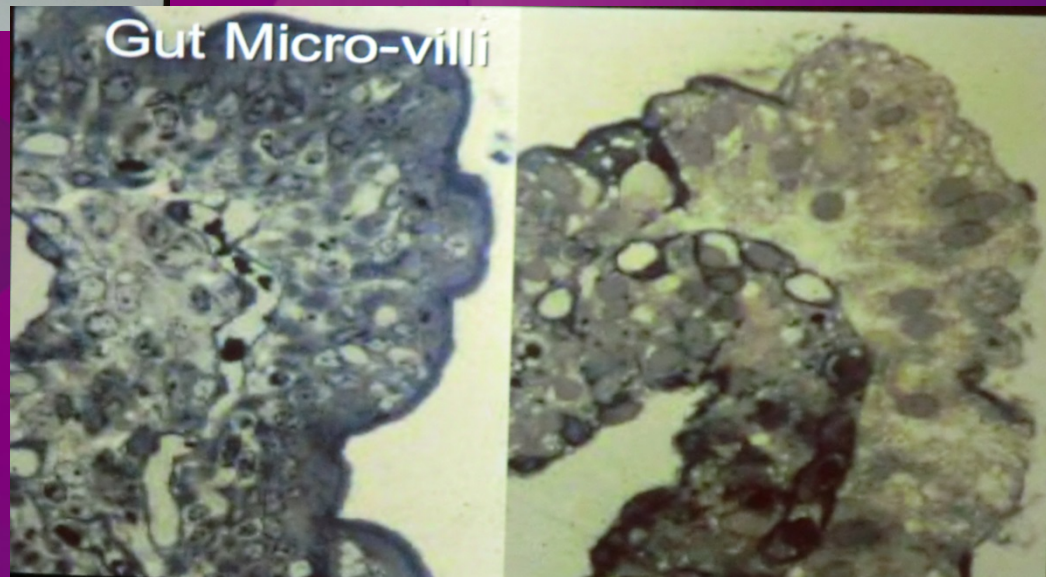
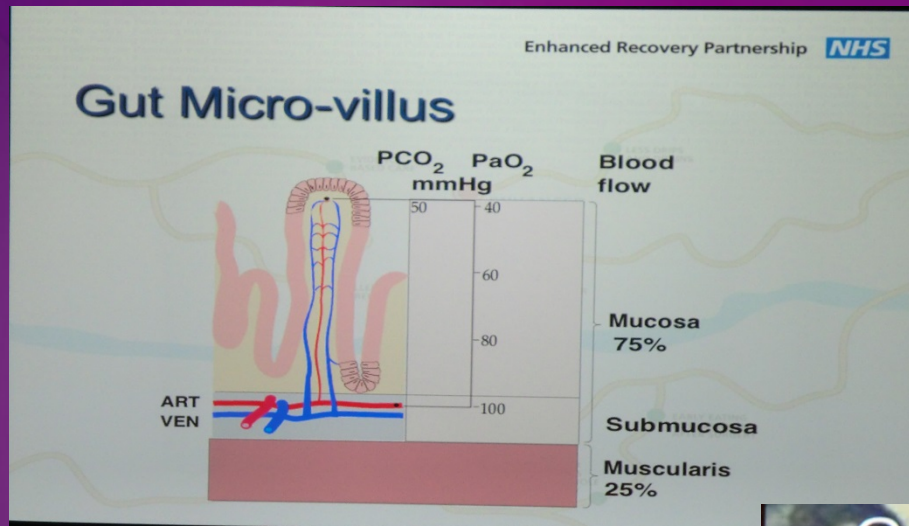


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## Complications associated with suboptimal fluid therapy



# Poor intra-operative perfusion on gut mucosa causing ileus and leaks



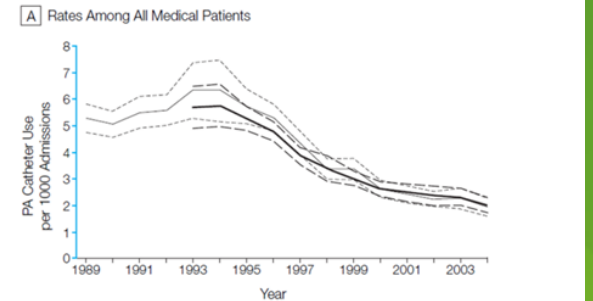
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# Pulmonary Artery Catheter:

- Was the Gold Standard
  - But use has declined worldwide
  - to 1% of the 1990s level
- Not a suitable Point-of-Care monitor for routine anaesthesia
  - Invasive
  - Costly in time & money
  - Reliable?
  - Did not improve outcomes

**Figure 1.** National Estimates of PA Catheter Use Among Medical Patients, 1989-2003



PA indicates pulmonary artery; NIS, Nationwide Inpatient Sample. Solid lines indicate PA intervals around the annual rate. Y-axis intervals shown in blue indicate range from 0 to 1 (abstract was presented in 1994<sup>3</sup> and the paper published in 1996<sup>20</sup>). Two random in mortality with PA catheterization.

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# Emerging Technologies: *Since 2000 - Continuous CO*



- **Intensive Care:**

Trans-Oesophageal Echo.

Too bulky & expensive for regular theatre use

- **Anaesthesia:**

*Minimally invasive CO monitors*

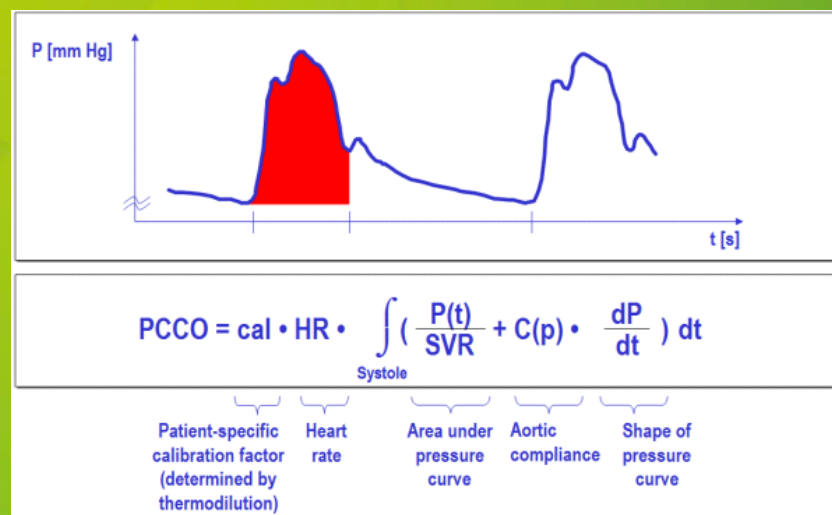
- ☐ Arterial pulse contour analysis
- ☐ BioImpedance
- ☐ Continuous wave Doppler







# WHAT IS AVAILABLE AND HOW DO THEY WORK?



# Currently available systems: Pulse contour analysis

## Direct / arterial-line

- **FloTrac-Vigileo**
  - (Edwards, US)
- **PiCCO**
  - (Pulsion, Germany)
- **LiDCO-rapid**
  - (England)
- **Most-Care**
  - (Italy)

## Finger cuff technology

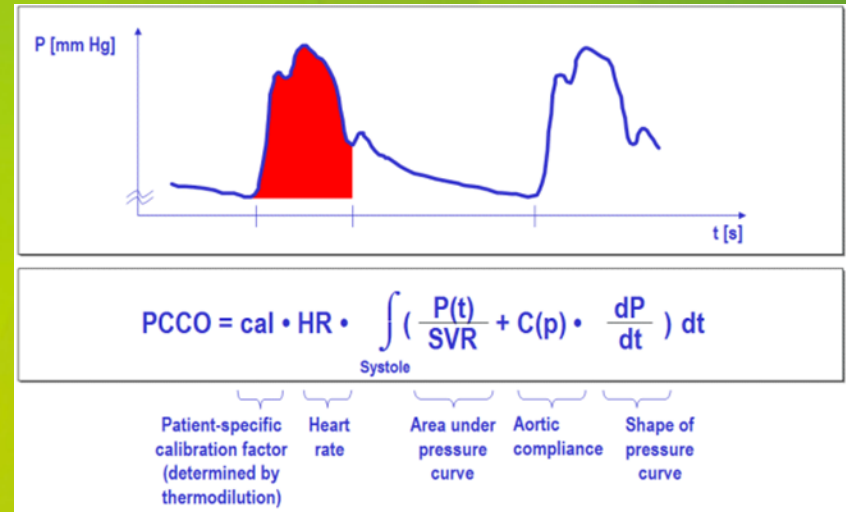
- **Clearsight System**
  - (Edwards)
  - [previously Finapres]
- **CNAP**
  - (CNSystems, Austria)



# How does the system work:

## Pulse contour analysis

- Detects the arterial pressure waveform
- Wrist (radial), finger or major artery (femoral )
- Algorithm used to derived stroke volume (SV) and cardiac output (CO) from the area under the pressure curve
- But many different formulae!



Formula (CO = SV × HR)	Commercial use*
SV = k × MAP	N/A
SV = k × PP	FloTrac-Vigileo
SV = k × (PP/(SBP + DBP))	CardioQ-ODM+
SV = k × $\sqrt{\int_T (ABP(t) - MAP)^2 dt}$	LiDCO
SV = k × (1 + (T <sub>sys</sub> /T <sub>dia</sub> )) × $\int_{\text{systole}} ABP(t) dt$	PiCCO

# Currently available systems: BioImpedance / Reactance

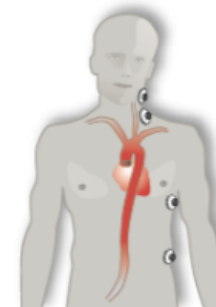
- BoMed (1980s)
- 20 years of improvement:
  - Signal detection
    - Electrode design & position
  - Waveform analysis
- Available systems today:
  - NICOM Cheetah
  - PhysioFlow



Cheetah - NICOM

## Application

Easy attachment of only 4 standard ECG surface adhesive sensors:



Sensor located at the left side of neck and thorax

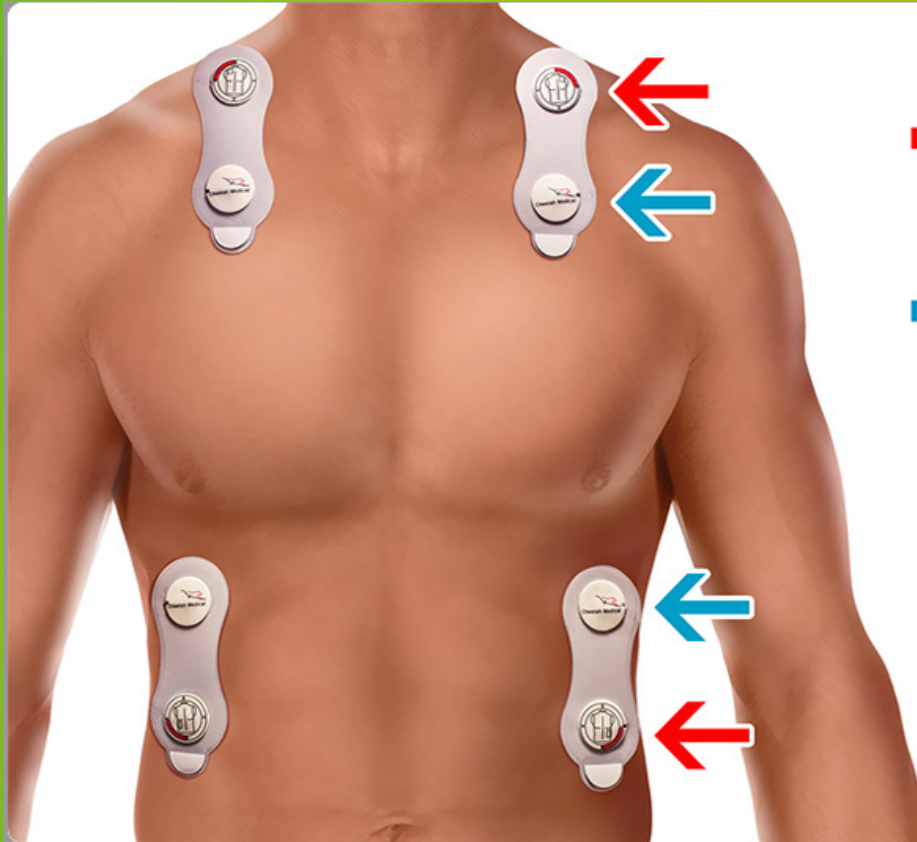


Sensor placement for small children and neonates



# NICOM

## Cheetah Medical, (Israel)

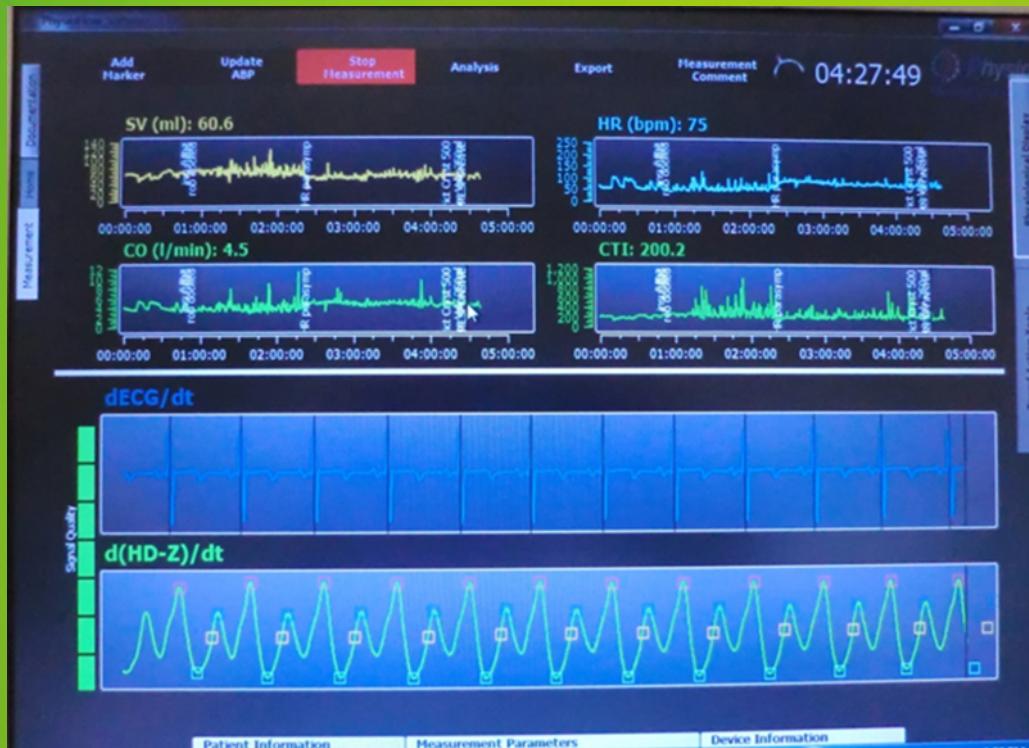


- An electric current of known frequency is applied across the thorax between the outer pair of sensors.
- A signal is recorded between the inner pair of sensors.

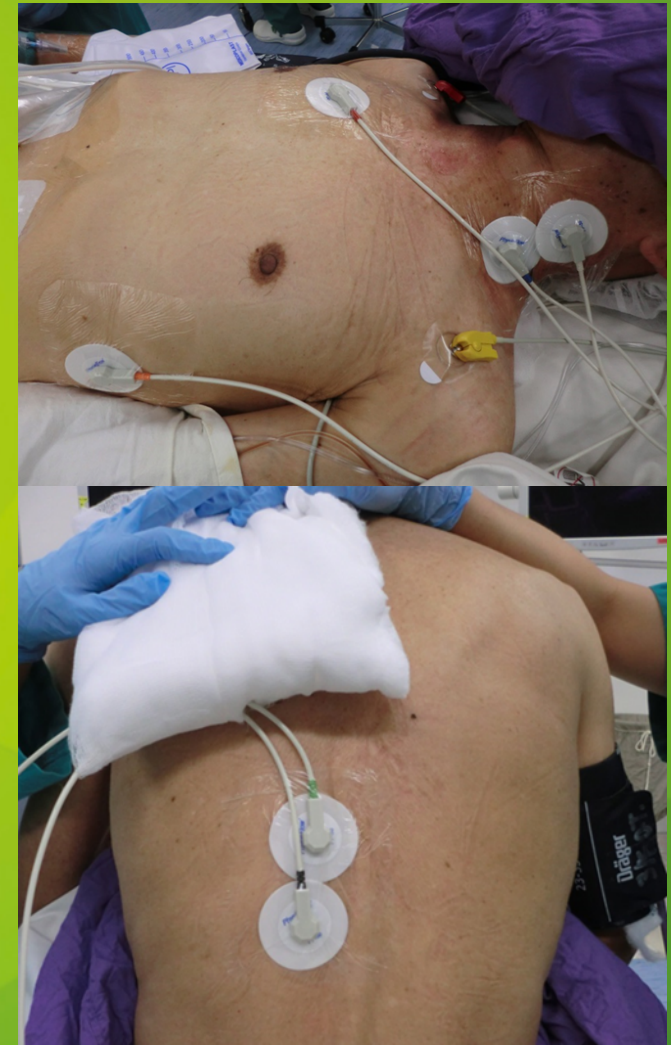
As the heart expands and contracts, a time delay, or phase shift, is created in the current by blood flow.

The monitor then uses this phase shift as a baseline for stroke volume measurement.

# PhysioFlow (France) BioImpedance method

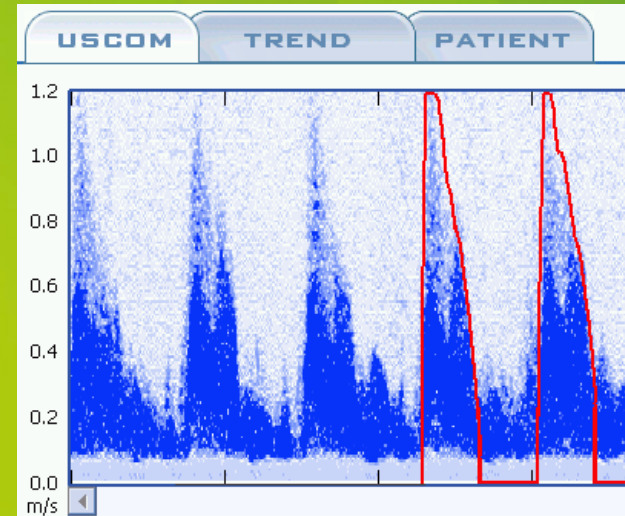


Wave form morphology analysis



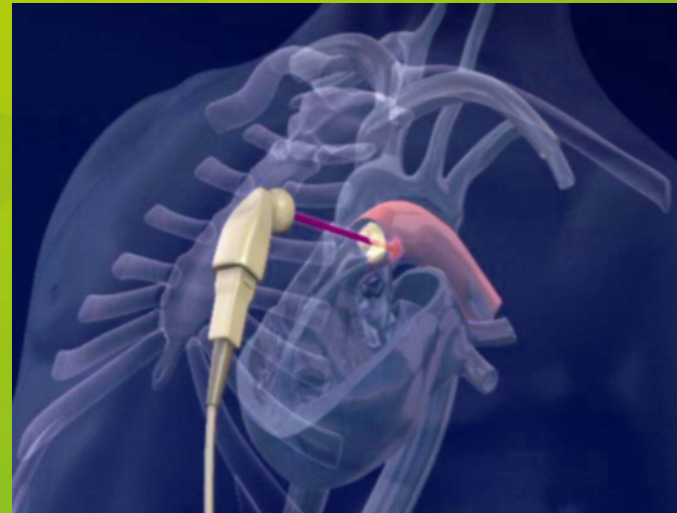
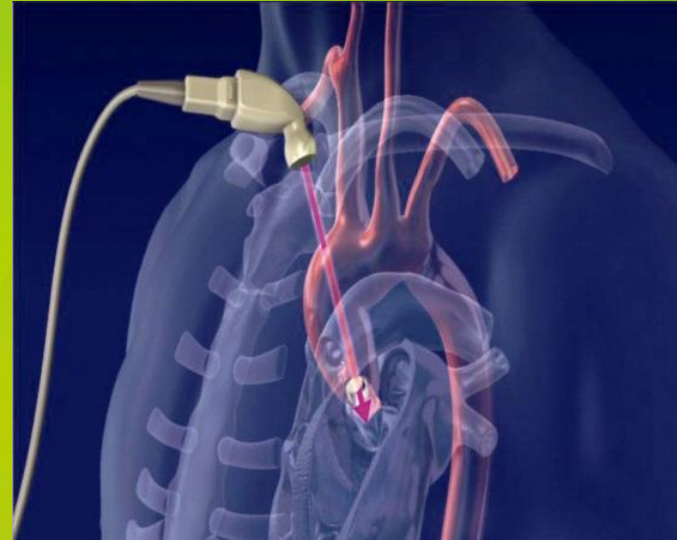
# How does it work: Continuous wave Doppler

- Not an imaging technique
- Requires a probe
- Uses ultrasound to detect flow in the aorta
- Analyses the flow profiles





# UltraSound Cardiac Output Monitor *USCOM, (Sydney). External Doppler*

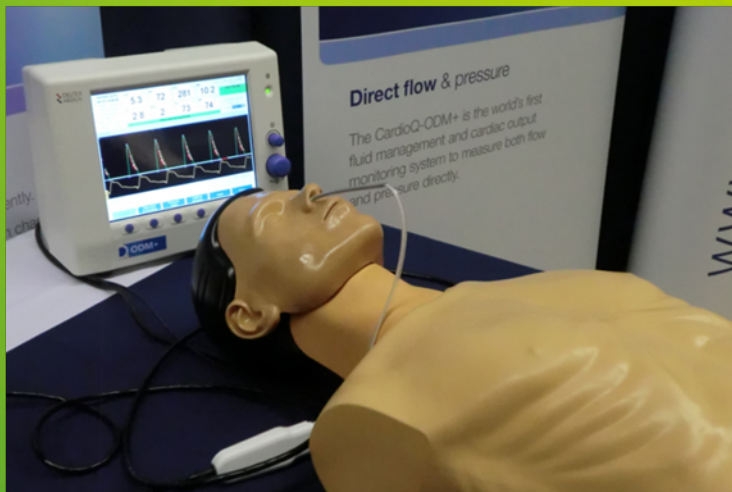




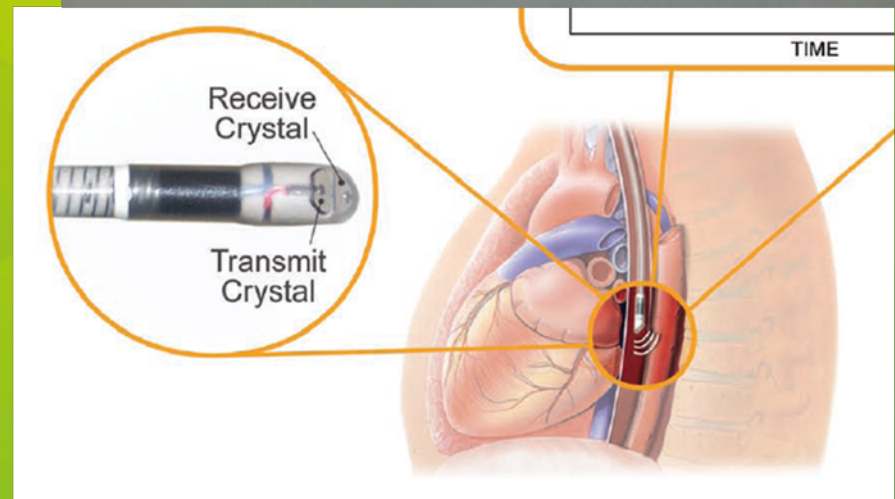
# Deltex Medical – CardioQ – ODM+ Oesophageal Doppler



New Deltex Oesophageal Doppler Monitor which includes arterial pressure monitoring



The Chinese University of Hong Kong

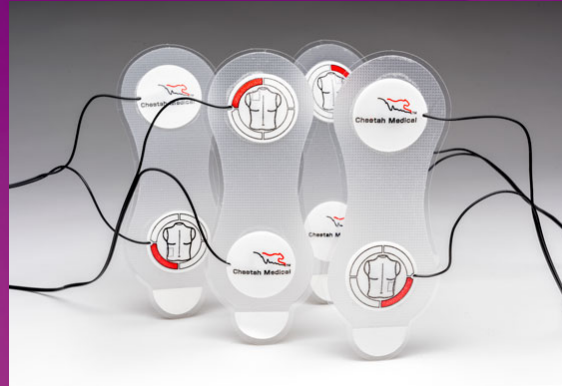


# Marketing strategies and affordability:

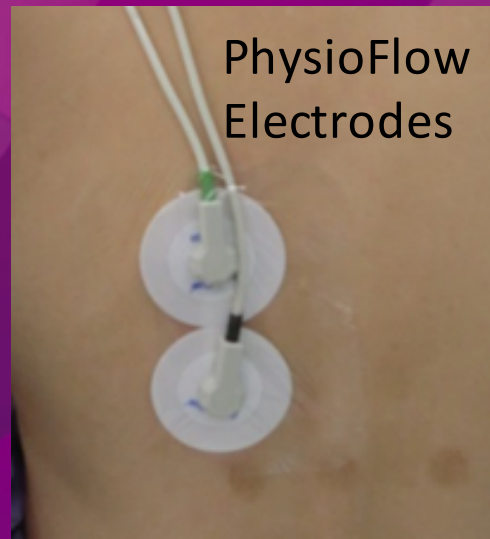
- **Research and developments costs money**
  - In addition to manufacturing costs
- **Why medical devices expensive**
  - Return of initial capital outlay
- **Cost of buying the equipment**
  - Single payment
- **Cost of Disposables**
  - Where companies make their money

Technology	Disposable
Pulse contour	Catheters & Transducer
BioImpedance	Electrodes
Doppler	Oesophageal probes

# Examples of consumables:



New Deltex Oesophageal Doppler Monitor which includes arterial pressure monitoring



PhysioFlow Electrodes

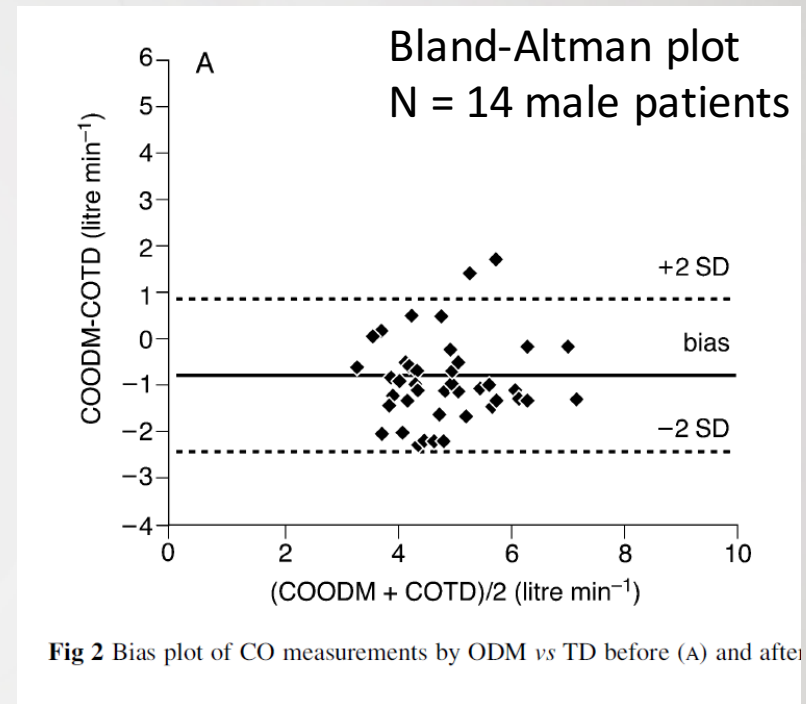


Only system with minimal Expenditure on disposables

# Validation studies and reliability:

## *Single centre Random Controlled Clinical Trials*

- Data from validation studies is poor
- Mainly comparisons with single bolus thermodilution (PAC)
- Issue of showing accuracy (precision) rather than trending (ability to detect changes)
- Good information on reliability and repeatability hard to find

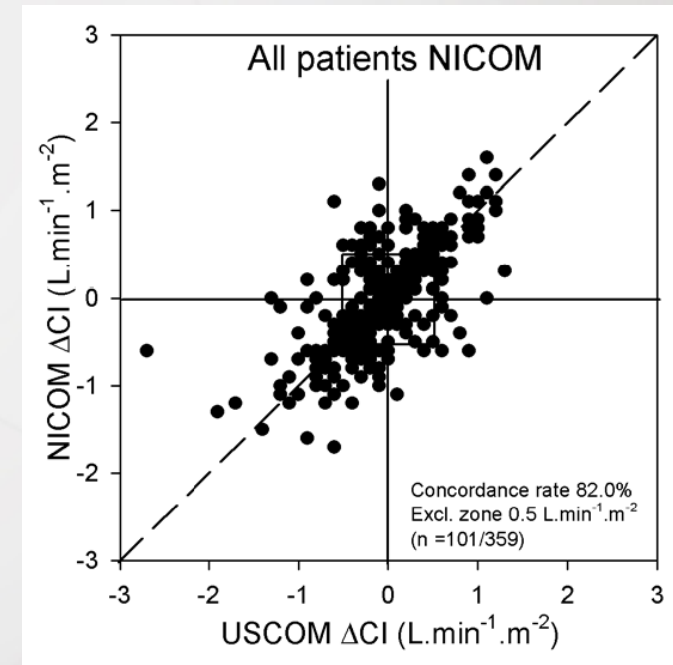
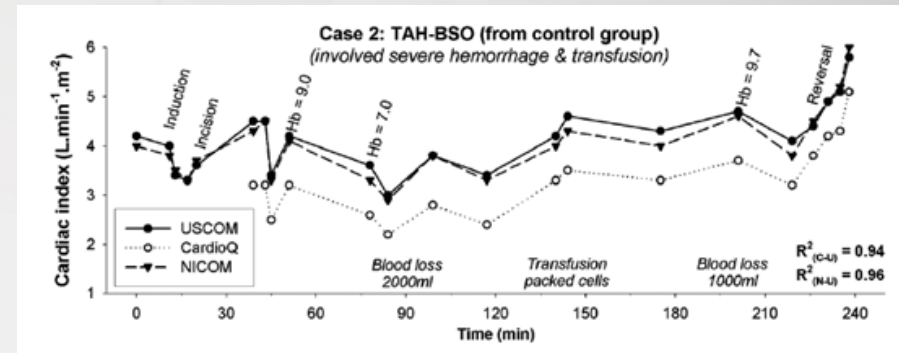


Percentage error = 34%  
Benchmark <30% for good agreement  
“No information regarding how well device measures changes in SV & CO!”



# Validation studies showing trending:

- Need to compare serial changes in SV & CO
  - Statistics only recently established
- Times plots comparing changes in changes
- Multiple patient data studies
  - Serial change in CO -  $\Delta\text{CO}$
  - Show data on four quadrant plots
  - Concordance analysis
- *Polar plots*



# Validation studies: Pulse Contour

- PCA is not accurate.
- Readings vary by >20%
  - [i.e. range from 4-6L/min for a mean CO of 5L/min]
- CO reading effected by in peripheral resistance
- Unreliable in sepsis and liver cirrhosis, and when vasopressors used
- Should avoid these situations

**Table 1** Summary of recent publications that clinically evaluate the FloTrac/Vigileo™. \*Estimated value; †Data include the use of vasopressors; ‡Only postoperative patients; §Classical thermodilution not used

Paper	Year published	Type of cases	Number of patients	Data pairs	Percentage error (%)
Costa and colleagues <sup>20</sup>	2006	Cirrhosis	14	50	35
Sander and colleagues <sup>21</sup>	2006	Cardiac	30	120	54
Breukers and colleagues <sup>22</sup>	2007	Cardiac	20	56	36
Button and colleagues <sup>23</sup>	2007	Cardiac	31	217	45*
Canesson and colleagues <sup>24</sup>	2007	Cardiac	11	166	38
†de Waal and colleagues <sup>25</sup>	2007	Cardiac	22	184	<56
Manecke and Auger <sup>26</sup>	2007	Cardiac	50	290	33*
Mayer and colleagues <sup>27</sup>	2007	Cardiac	40	320	46
‡Prasser and colleagues <sup>28</sup>	2007	Cardiac	20	158	26.9
†Lorsomradee and colleagues <sup>29</sup>	2007	Cardiac	52	315	33–50
Mayer and colleagues <sup>30</sup>	2008	Cardiac	40	282	24.6
§Sakka and colleagues <sup>31</sup>	2007	Sepsis	24	24	35
Compton and colleagues <sup>32</sup>	2008	Cardiac	25	324	58.8
Our data	2009	Cirrhosis	29	290	54

Biancofiore et al. Brit J Anaeth 2009;102; 47

# Evidence from trending studies: Swings in Peripheral resistance

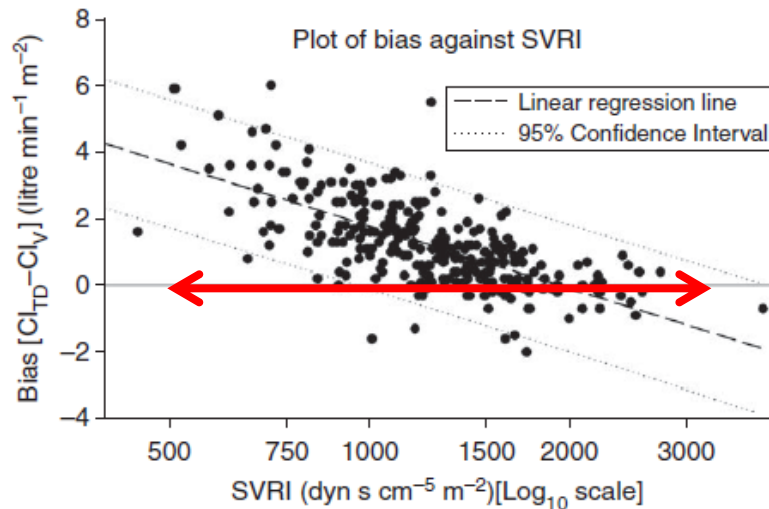


Fig 3 Bias plotted against SVRI, shown as log scale. A log-linear plot was used to show that as peripheral resistance decreased the discrepancy or bias between CI measurements increased.  $CI_{TD}$ , thermodilution cardiac index;  $CI_V$ , Vigileo cardiac index. Data from all 10 time points used ( $n=290$ ).

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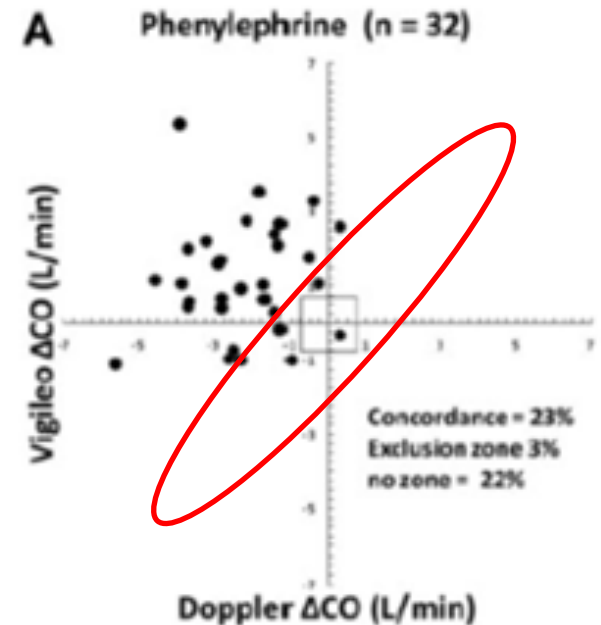


Figure 3. Trending ability of Vigileo-FloTrac against output (postintervention minus preintervention)

Meng et al. Anesth Analg 2011:113;751

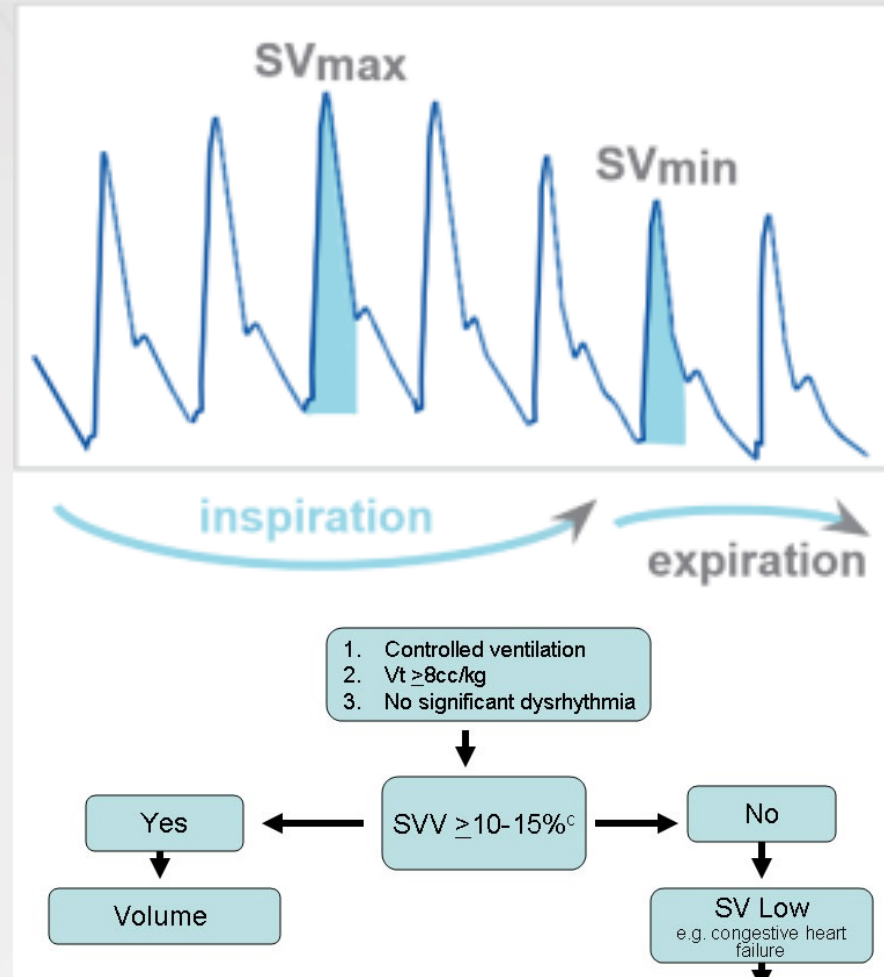


# FloTrac-Vigileo:

## *Dynamic parameters*

## *May be more reliable*

- Pulse pressure variation [PPV]
- IV fluid challenge
- Passive leg raise test



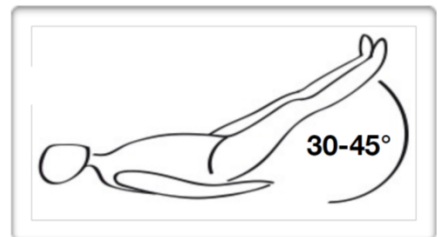
### Step 3: Challenge

- Raise patients legs  $30^\circ - 45^\circ$
- While legs are raised, obtain readings for 3 minutes
- If patient is fluid responsive, stroke volume index (SVI) will increase by 10% or greater as compared to its baseline

**SVI  $\uparrow \geq 10\%$ <sup>\*</sup>**

**Test is positive: SVI rises  $\geq 10\%$ : Patient is fluid responsive<sup>\*</sup>**

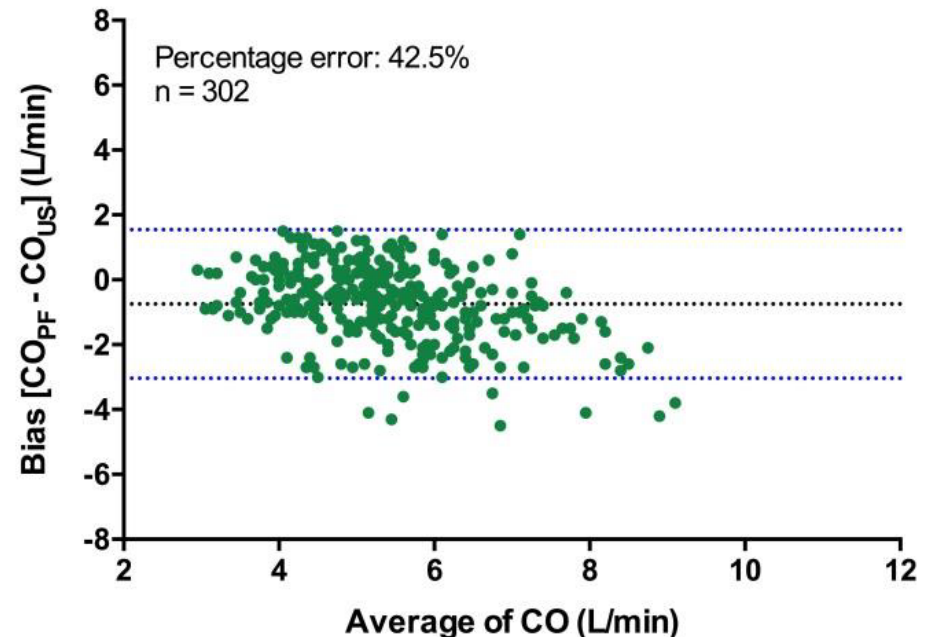
**Test is negative: SVI rises  $< 10\%$ ; Patient is not fluid responsive<sup>\*</sup>**



# Validation studies: BioImpedance systems:



- **Not accurate in studies (c.f. pulse contour)**
  - Calibrated using patient demographic
  - Assumptions about “volume of electrically participating tissue”

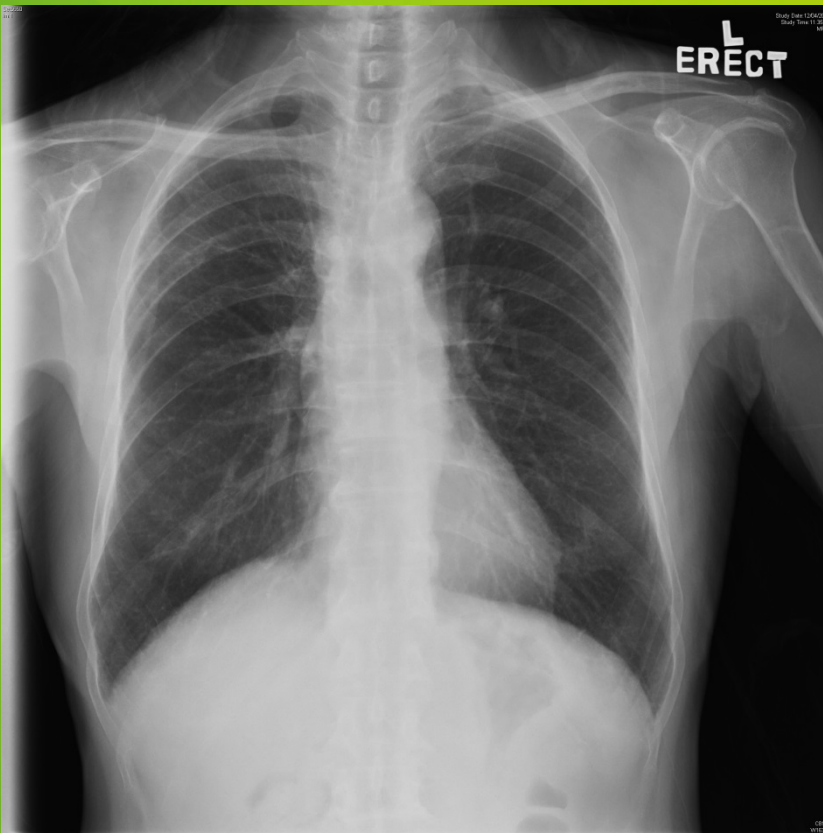


# Pathway of electrical flux:

## *Volume of electrically participating tissue*

## *Not a homogenously perfused thorax!!!*

PA chest X-ray

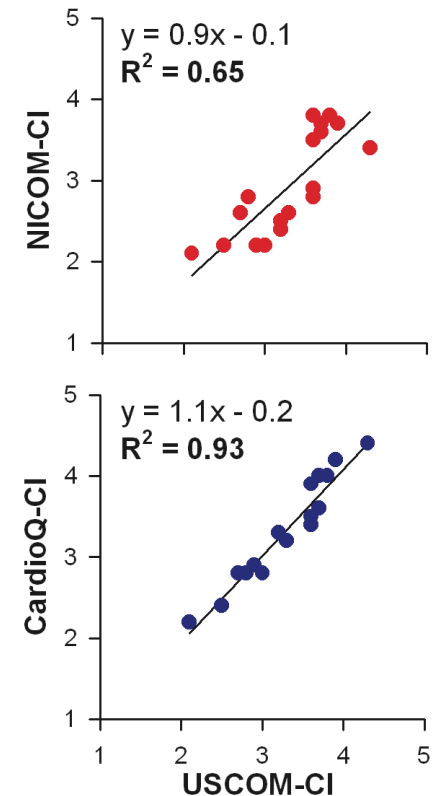
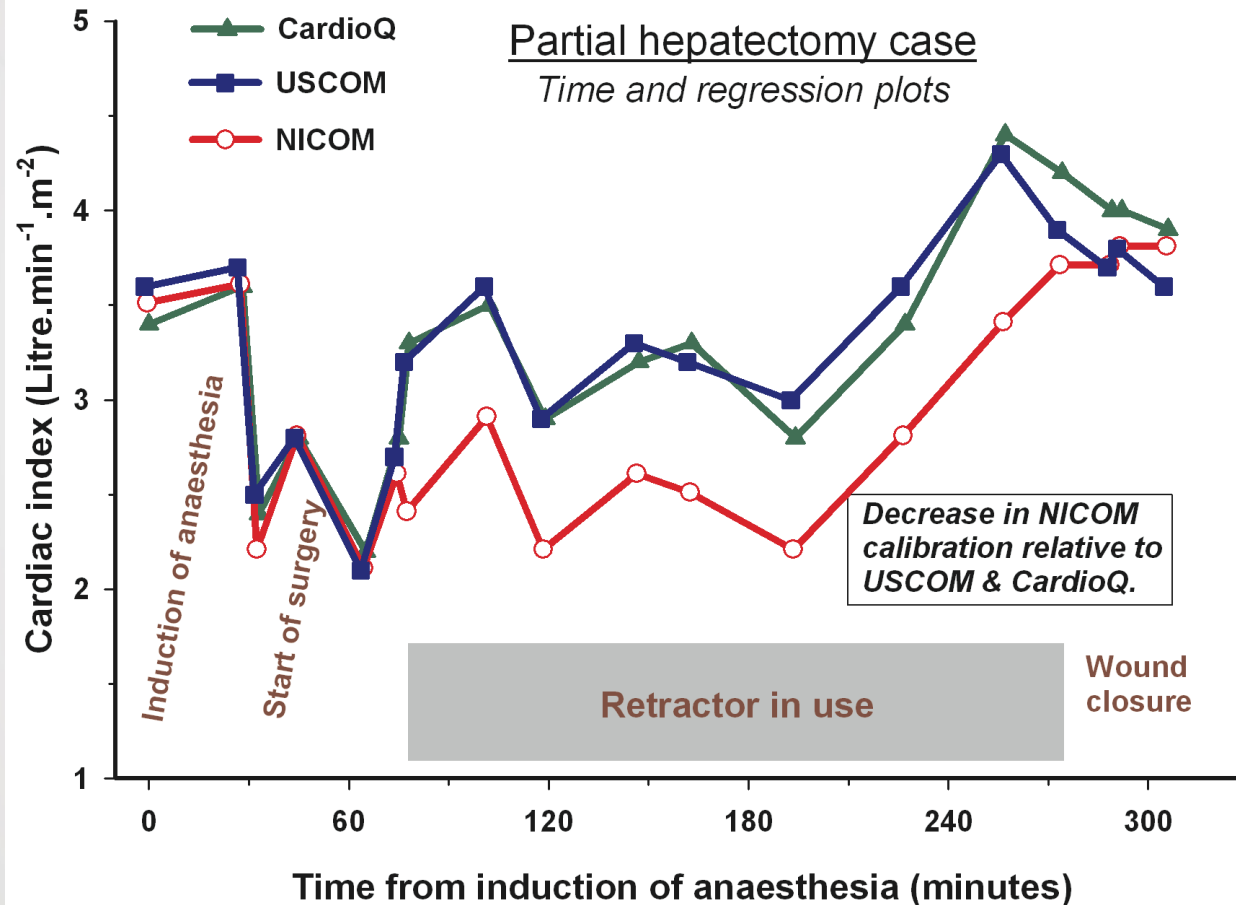


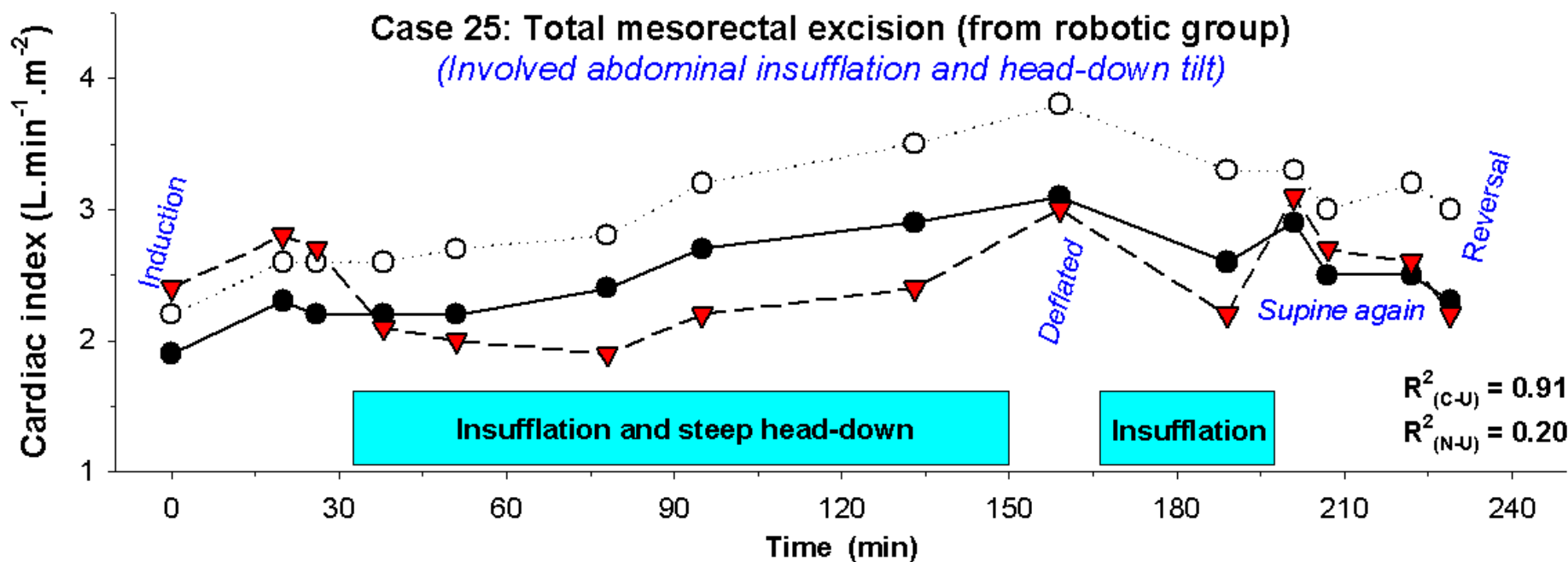
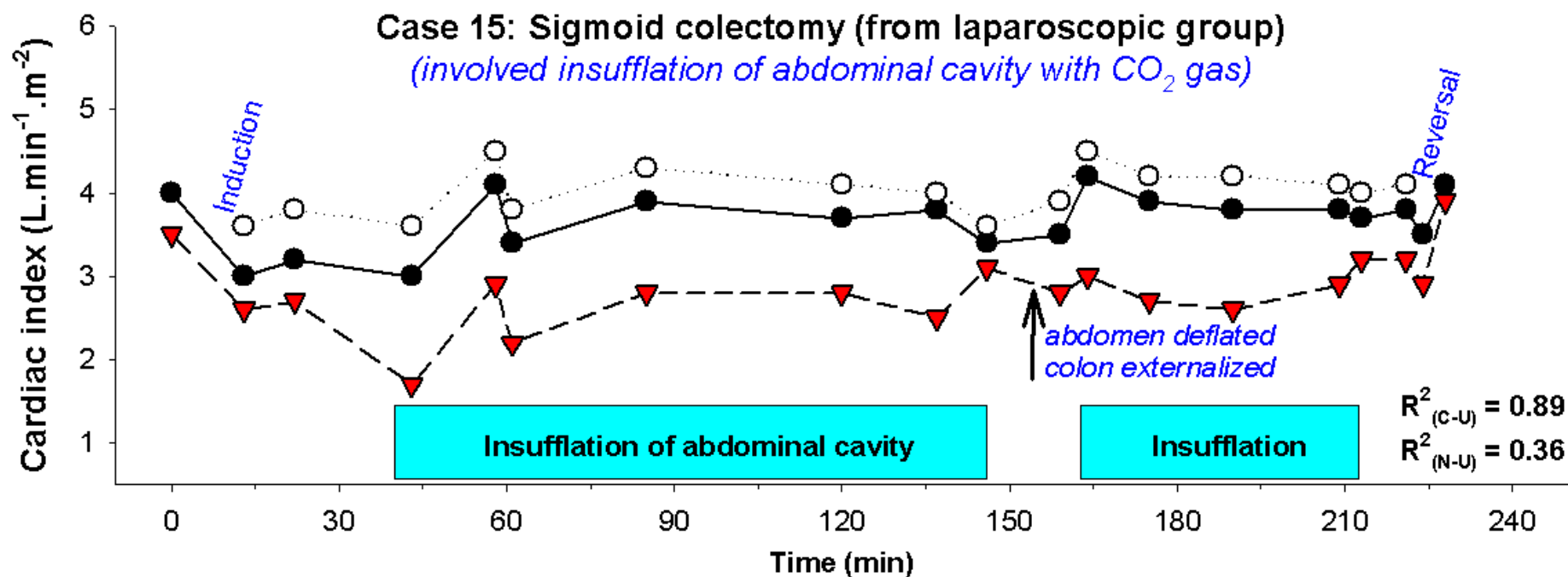
Electrical flux pathways





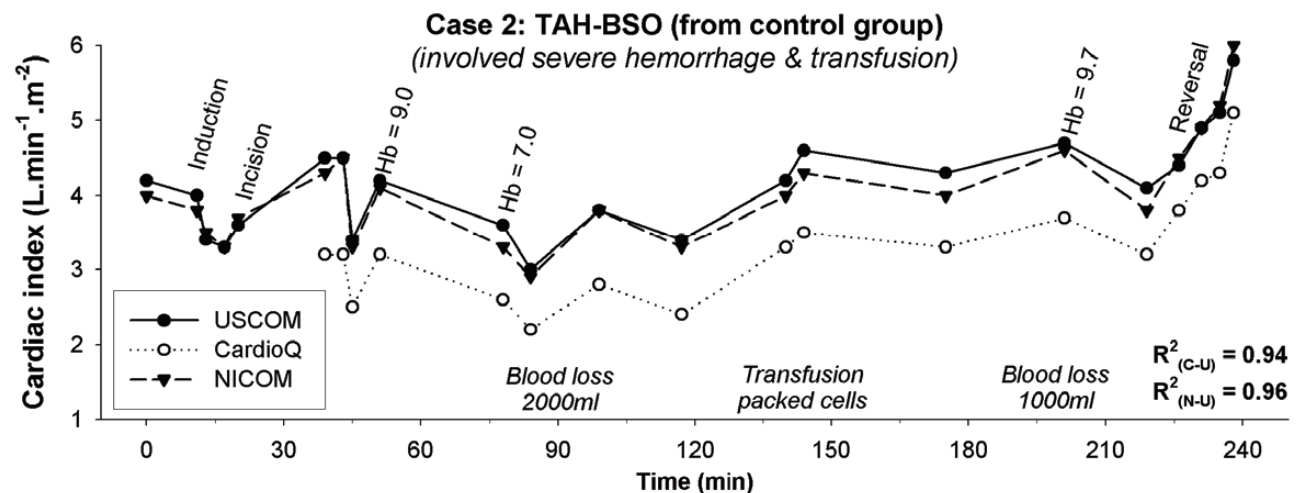
# Liver resection open surgery case: *Effect of inserting large retractor*





# Validation studies: BioImpedance systems:

- Does trend changes in CO reliably *most of the time* intra-operatively
  - NICOM Cheetah (Hung et al. Anesth Analg 2015;121;936)
  - PhysioFlow (Zhang and Critchley [unpublished])
- Can be effected by factors that alter geometry of the upper abdomen.
  - Laparoscopy
  - Surgical retractors
- The Anaesthetist should be aware of these ill effects when using bioImpedance monitoring.





# Validation studies: Doppler systems (Accuracy)

- In systematic reviews of Bland-Altman studies shown to lack accuracy.
- Due to calibration from population studies data that estimate aortic valve and descending thoracic aorta diameter.

For Oesophageal Doppler  
**Percentage of Clinical Agreement**  
(PCA) used which approximate in comparative studies with TDco to a **percentage error of 40-50%**

Anaesthesia 2012

Chong and Peyton | A meta-analysis of the accuracy and precision of the USCOM

Table 1 All studies identified in the review.

Reference	Year	Population	Datasets	Bias L.min <sup>-1</sup>	Precision L.min <sup>-1</sup>	% Error
<b>Studies included in pooled weighted meta-analysis</b>						
Boyle et al. [7]	2009	Cardiac surgery/ICU (CTX & general)	78	-1.2	1.7	56*
Thom et al. [5]	2009	ICU (tertiary unit)	89	-0.09	1.47	51.7
Corley et al. [9]	2009	Heart failure/pulmonary hypertension	32	0.34	0.53	25.7
Wong et al. [14]	2008	Liver transplant	71	-0.39	0.93	25.6
Su et al. [11]	2008	Liver transplant – overall results	290	0.02	0.54	12.7
		After PAC insertion	10	0.04	0.58	13.6
		1 h after incision	10	0.11	0.47	11
		10–15 min before IVC clamping	10	-0.11	0.65	15.2
		10–15 min after IVC clamping	10	0.06	0.3	7.1
		10–15 min before portal venous reperfusion	10	0.23	0.35	8.2
		Within 3 min of portal venous reperfusion	10	0.14	0.47	11
		10 min after portal venous reperfusion	10	-0.05	0.40	9.3
		10–15 min after hepatic artery perfusion	10	-0.02	0.51	11.9
		At end of biliary reconstruction	10	0.04	0.58	13.5
		At end of surgery	10	0.11	0.38	8.9
Chand et al. [8]	2006	Postoperative cardiac surgery				
		Aortic window	40	-0.14	0.79	33.4
		Pulmonary window	45	-0.03	0.55	23.1
<b>Studies excluded from pooled weighted meta-analysis</b>						
Knirsch et al. [10]	2008	Tertiary paediatric cardiology unit	72	0.13	0.67	36.4*
Van den Oever et al. [13]	2007	Cardiac surgery				
		Aortic window: no selection	20	0.79	1.43	62.3*
		Aortic window: waveform score 6	16	0.82	1.43	62.3*
		Aortic window: regular rhythm	16	0.82	1.41	61.4*
		Pulmonary window: no selection	36	0.17	1.57	65.5*
		Pulmonary window: waveform score 6	21	0.15	1.8	75.1*
		Pulmonary window: regular rhythm	29	0.21	1.55	64.6*
Arora et al. [6]	2007	Postoperative cardiac surgery	120	0.13	0.36	15.1
Tan et al. [12]	2005	ICU (tertiary CTX unit)	40	-0.18	0.82	35.7*

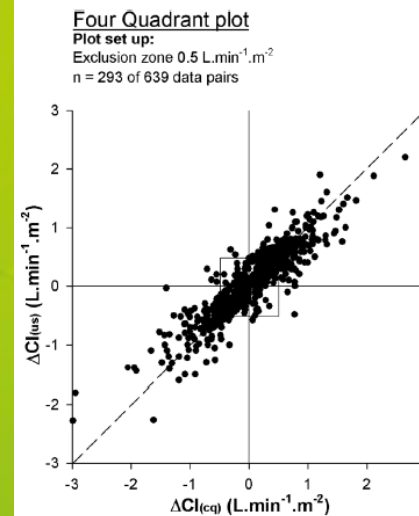
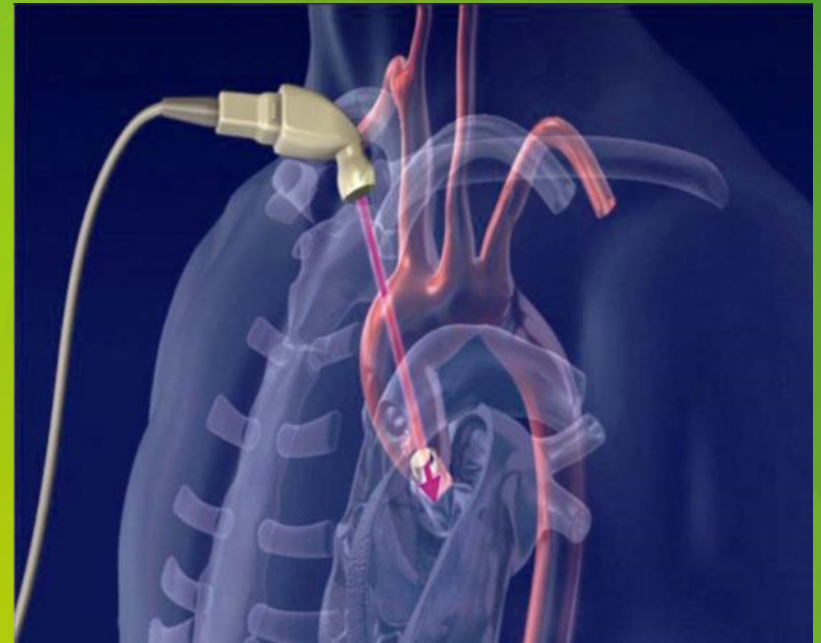
Data for bias and precision included in the pooled weighted meta-analysis are indicated in bold.

\*Cardiac output estimated from data.

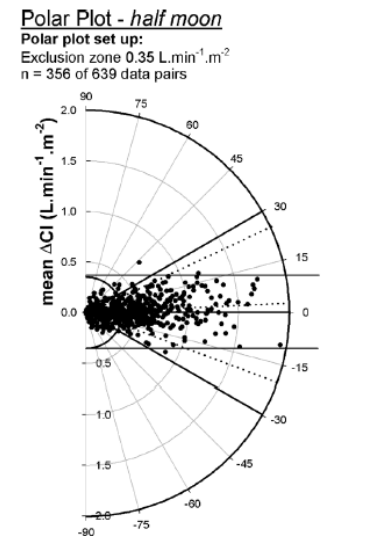
ICU, intensive care unit; CTX, cardiothoracic; PAC, pulmonary artery catheter; IVC, inferior vena cava.

# Validation studies: Doppler systems (Trending)

- Measures blood flow directly
  - Calibration unlikely to change
  - Unlikely to be effected by Peripheral vascular changes
- Shown to have good trending
- Very user dependent
  - Signal detection needs to be correct and consistent
- Effected by:
  - Aging process and
  - aortic changes



**Concordance analysis:**  
regression equation  $y = 1.0x - 0.0$   
correlation coefficient  $R^2 = 0.82$   
concordance rate = 96.6% (95% c.i. 94.7 - 99.5%)



**Polar analysis:**  
Angular bias = +2.3 degrees  
Radial limits (95% c.i.) = -20.2 to +24.8 degrees  
Polar concordance = 98.6% (95% c.i. 97.4 - 99.8%)

# Summary:

- Clinical need for MICOM in anaesthesia
  - Especially the management IV fluids in major surgery
- Since 2000 several different cardiac output measurement technologies have become available
- Most require disposables that adds to running costs
- Much controversy surrounding validation studies
  - Accuracy and Trending need to be assessed
- Currently, there is no ideal MICOM system for operating theatre use and one needs to know the pros and cons of each



# Thank you

