# COMPRESSION

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Positive clinical effects in venous and lymphatic diseases are today indisputable

# BUT COMPRESSION

Pathophysiological Interpretation Techniques Indications Are still today disputed

# Leg COMPRESSION

1-Hemodynamic concept of venous drainage

2-Hemodynamic effects of compression

3-Means and compression techniques features and their specific hemodynamic effects

4-Proposals for rational hemodynamic compression

Leg COMPRESSION Positive clinical effects By the mean of drainage improvement in : Edema Volume reduction Ulcer and wounds healing Pain relieve in Venous insufficiency Lymphatic insufficiency By the mean of stasis reduction in: Phlebitis treatment and prevention

# 1-Hemodynamic concept of venous drainage

Hemodynamics can be defined as: the physical factors that govern blood flow which are the same physical factors that govern the flow of any fluid, and are based on a fundamental law of physics. TRANS-MURAL PRESSURE (TMP) is the hemodynamic key point of the venous drainage because it determines the transfer of fluids and their components from the tissue into the venous bed.

# VENOUS DISEASE? Just THINK TMP!



DECREASE IVP by :

#### **COMPESSION**

Increasing physiological EVP with external ARTIFICIAL means



TRANS-MURAL PRESSURE (TMP) Is the resulting static pressure from the opposite Extravenous (EVP) and Intra-venous (IVP) static (potential)

pressures against:

- the wall of the veins and
- venous end of the capillaries.

TMP = IVP-EVP



TRANS-MURAL PRESSURE (TMP) <u>At the veins level:</u>



*IVP* is a venous Static Pressure made of :

**<u>1-Gravitational pressure</u>**:  $\rho$  g h (h = liquid height  $\rho$  = liquid density g = gravitational acceleration).

2-Static component of the Pressure made of:

<u>a-Residual pressure</u> resulting of the arterial

pressure throughout the microcirculation resistance, and

b-Muscular pump pressure produced by

the valvo-muscular pump.

*EVP* is the static pressure made of:

<u>1-Atmospheric pressure (AtP)</u>

2-Muscles, interstitial fluids and aponeurosis

pressure (TP)



TRANS-MURAL PRESSURE (TMP)

At the level of the venous end of the capillaries :

*IVP* is a venous Static Pressure made of :

VENOUS IVP + Osmotic plasma pressure (OPP) VENOUS EVP + Osmotic Interstitium pressure (OIP)

#### TRANS-MURAL PRESSURE (TMP) **HEMODYNAMIC CORRECTION OF TMP EXECSS.** TMP = IVP-EVP 1-DECREASE IVP and/or 2-INCREASE EVP



DECREASE IVP by :

- 1- Gravitational Pressure(GP) Decrease and/or
- 2 If Valve incompetence:

a-Incompetent Valve repair or new valve

b-Closed shunts disconnection + Column fractionning (CHIVA)

3 – if obstacle: By-pass or liberation



DECREASE IVP :

1- Decrease Gravitational Pressure: **POSTURAL TREATMENT**: The more the foot is elevated, the less the Gravitational Pressure (GP)



DECREASE IVP by :

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TMP = IVP-EVP Decrease the TMP by the mean of Increasing physiological EVP with external ARTIFICIAL means



DECREASE IVP by :

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#### Oedema, Varices, Trophiques Changes , Ulcer



6 czerze recipieve

#### When related to venous insufficency







Are caused by a TMP excess CAUSES FOR TMP EXCESS 1- VALVULAR INCOMPETENCE and/or Muscle inactivity

Impairment of Dynamic Fractionning

- of the Hydrostatic Pressure DFHSP
- 2- OBSTACLE to the FLOW

**Excess of RESIUAL PRESSURE** 











#### Expected hemodynamic effects of external leg compression

Venous Trans-Mural-Pressure (TMP)

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#### **Ankle Pressure**





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INCREASE EVP

WHEN?

1-When EVP is too low 2-When IVP is too high

INCREASE EVP

# WHEN?

1-When EVP is too low: Too low ath.P (altitude, Plane)

INCREASE EVP

# WHEN?

2-When IVP is too high:

- -Valve incompetence and/or
- Obstacle to the flow

NOT reductible or only partially reduced by hemodynamic treatments previously explained

**INCREASE EVP** 

HOW?

**INCREASE EVP** by :

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#### **COMPRESSION: DEFINITION**

Pressure resulting from action-reaction at the interface (contact) of 2 bodies

Expected hemodynamic effects of external leg compression

External Compression reduces TMP by increasing the static components of the EVP at both levels: Veins and venous end of the capillaries

EVP



#### LEG COMPRESSION RATIONNAL

Pressure compression exerted against the leg surface Homogeneous (isostatic) or Heterogeneous (heterostatic) according to : Compression technique

Leg geometry

Pressure compression transmitted from surface to depth according to:

Bulk modulus of leg structures

Euler–Cauchy stress principle

Continuum mechanics deals with deformable bodies. The stresses considered in continuum mechanics are only those produced during the application of external forces and the consequent deformation of the body



#### Into liquid immersion (pressure by load): Independent on the leg geometry



-Horizontally isostatic (uniformly distributed) -Vertically downwards progressive (linearly distributed(Pc =  $\rho$ gh) h = liquid height  $\rho$  = liquid density

Dependent of gravitational pressure and liquid density



Pneumatic compression (pressure by fluid density): Independent on the leg geometry : uniformly

distributed.



-Horizontally isostatic -Vertically isostatic Dependent of the inflation pressure Independent of gravitational pressure and density





Pressure compression Pc exerted against the leg surface: Bandage compression: LAPLACE'S LAW

#### Pressure = F/wR = F/R when b=1cm

P: hPascal F: cNewton w= bandage width R= cylinder radius

1mmHg = 1,333 hPa = 1,359 cm water depth = 0,00131 atm



#### Bandage compression:

Dependent on the leg circularity Dependent of bandaging strength Dependent of leg mid diameter : Starling Law





homogeneous transmitted pressure

LEG COMPRESSION FEATURES ACCORDING TO THE PHYSICAL MEANS Bandage compression: Dependent on the leg circularity Dependent of bandaging strength Dependent of leg mid diameter : Starling Law

Bandaging (force) strength =F1

Resulting compression (Force) pressure: F2>F3

Depends on the mid diameter of the leg : Resulting  $P = \frac{Bandaging Force}{mid Leg Radius}$ 



Non Circular : heterogeneous transmitted pressure eg ankle





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For more homogenous compression:

Circularization of the leg with additional dressing



LEG COMPRESSION HEMODYNAMIC EFFECTS AND PHYSIOLOGICAL CONSEQUENCES Bandage compression: Dependent on the leg circularity Dependent of bandaging strength Dependent of leg mid diameter : Starling Law

For more wanted heterogeneous compression: Addition of small angle arc material



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For more wanted heterogeneous compression:

Unwanted local compression ie pedal or tibial arteries pathway





Compressive Pressure value transmitted from surface to depth depends on the elastic and the bulk modulus of the medium :

Leg components are basically heterogonous so that Elastic and Inertia Properties varies according to: Topography: from thigh down to foot Posture: Gravitational hydrostatic pressure Movement: muscle volume and compressibility how much a material will compress under a given amount of external pressure



#### **BANDAGE FEATURES**

**Extensibility** : stretched length/unstretched length percentage. The stretching length limit is called "lock out"

Power (strength): force required to achieve a determinate elongation although "power" is an inadequate physical term.

**Elasticity:** ability to resist elongation then return to its original length once the applied force has been removed.

**Compression** : leg superficial pressure resulting from the bandage.

Support : no compressive bandage designed to prevent change in shape and volume the leg. Although support bandage is theoretically non extensible, a limited degree of extensibility is generally preferred as it is easier to apply.

**Conformability** : ability to follow the contours of a limb provided by multidimensional extensibility..

Stiffness of a compression device is defined as the pressure increase induced by an increase in leg circumference of 1 cm (8) and represents the relationship between its resting and working pressures. Based on stiffness compression materials are differentiated in "elastic" and "inelastic"

BANDAGE EFFECTS TMP REDUCTION Venous blood flow is not increased but its velocity is increased and its volume (stasis) is reduced , as prevention for phlebitis.

#### BANDAGE Efficacy/SAFETY

Compression effects on arterial circulation:

# Doppler at the fore-foot

1<sup>st</sup> intermetarsal space in lying position

### Anelastic (NON EXTENSIVE) (SUPPORT) BANDAGES Effects on TMP LYING STANDING WALKING





#### Sub-bandage pressure (mm Hg)



ELASTIC (EXTENSIVE )BANDAGES Effects on TMP LYING STANDING WALKING





#### Sub-bandage pressure (mm Hg)



#### BANDAGING Proposals



**Normal Individuals** 

Light elastic compression

Moderate Valve Incompetence Light/ Moderate elastic compression

Moderate Venous Obstacle AV Fistule Light/ Moderate elastic compression

> Phlebitis prevention Light elastic compression





Arteropathy IV <sup>th</sup> stage : Thanks to Gravitational Pressure, Seating posture increases foot arterial pressure, relieves pain and helps for gangrene healing

> non elastic light bandaging prevents stasis edema

> > Check the forefoot arterial pressure with Doppler

Extra Systolic Calf Pump Non elastic air/fluid bag beneath non elastic compression when walking



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# For the diagnosis, and for the treatment