

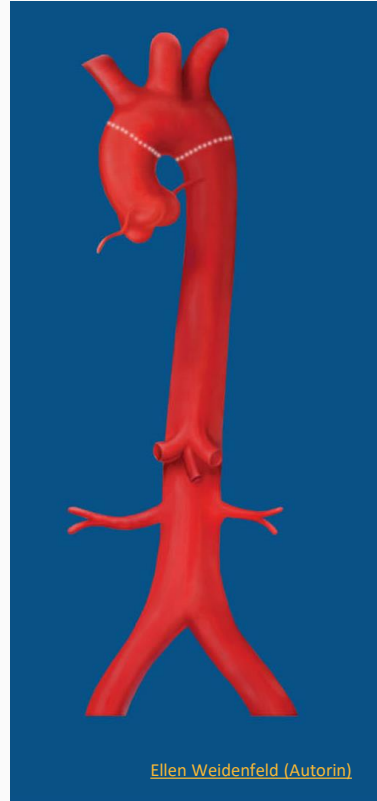
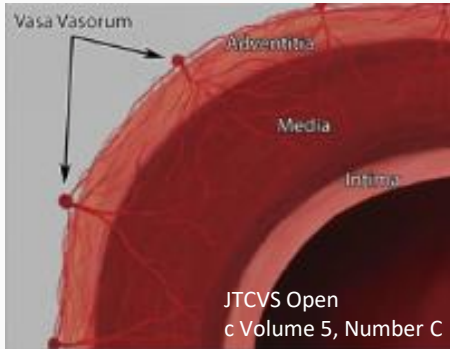
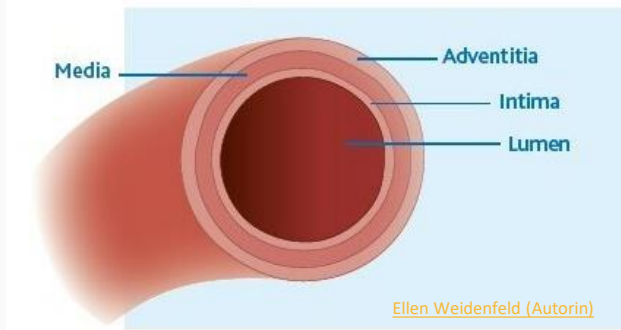
FROM EVOLUTION TO DISRUPTION –

Its all about understanding the natural course of aortic disease

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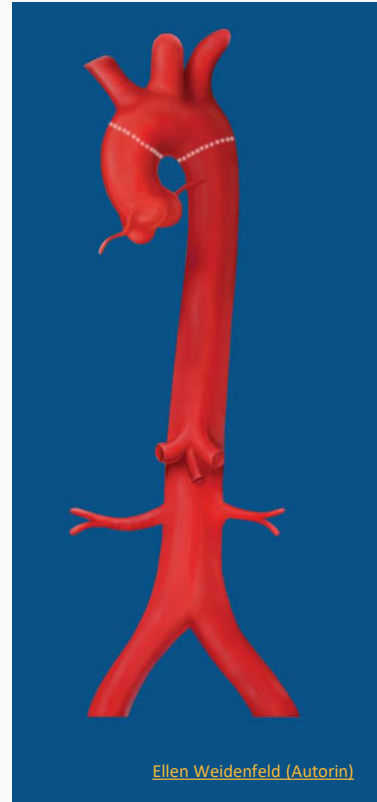
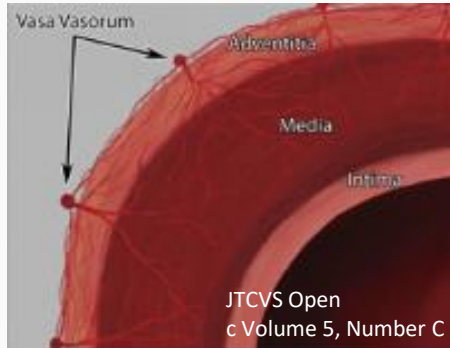
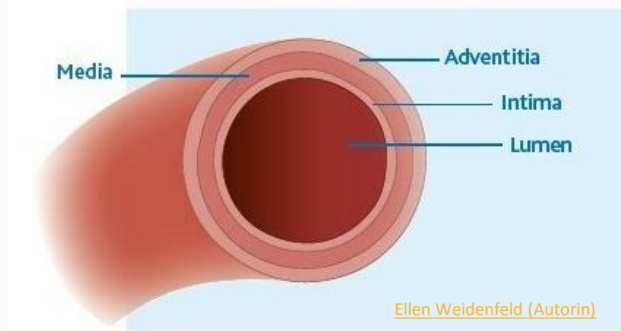
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From Evolution to Disruption



Dissection
Aneurysm
Atherosclerosis

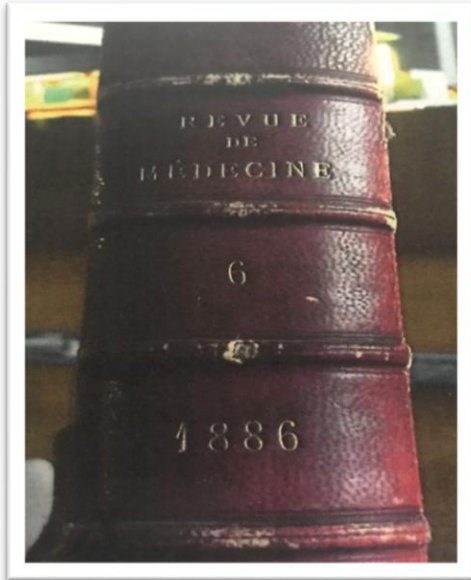
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Dissection
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Malfunction of
vasa vasorum

From Evolution to Disruption



H. MARTIN. — PATHOGÉNIE DES SCLÉROSES DYSTROPHIQUES

LÉSIONS DYSTROPHIQUES CONSÉCUTIVES A L'ENDARTÉRITE OBLITÉRANTE PROGRESSIVE.

§ I.

Athérome artériel. — Nous avons rappelé déjà, au commencement de ce travail, l'opinion que nous avons formulée déjà en 1881 et qui, depuis lors, a été confirmée au point que nous la croyons définitivement établie aujourd'hui, à savoir que l'athérome artériel est la conséquence d'une endartérite oblitérante progressive des vasa-vasorum nourriciers de la paroi artérielle athéromateuse. Alors même que la plaque d'athérome n'a que quelques millimètres de diamètre, on constate déjà de l'endartérite des artéριοles qui nourrissent ce petit territoire dégénéré.

On peut s'assurer, en même temps, au microscope, que la lésion des vasa-vasorum est l'accident primitif, car la dégénérescence athéromateuse est souvent encore à ses débuts, dans la couche profonde de la tunique interne, alors qu'un anneau fibreux épais s'est substitué, dans les artéριοles malades, à la mince couche endothéliale normale.

Enfin on ne saurait admettre que l'inflammation s'est propagée successivement de ces artéριοles nourricières à la tunique interne, car on sait que cette tunique n'est point vasculaire et que les canil-

Lesions of the vasa vasorum and dissecting aneurysms of the aorta; analysis of incidence, etiological aspects, pathogenesis, and pathological changes.

McCLOSKEY JF, CHU PT

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Adventitial vasa vasorum heterogeneity among different vascular beds

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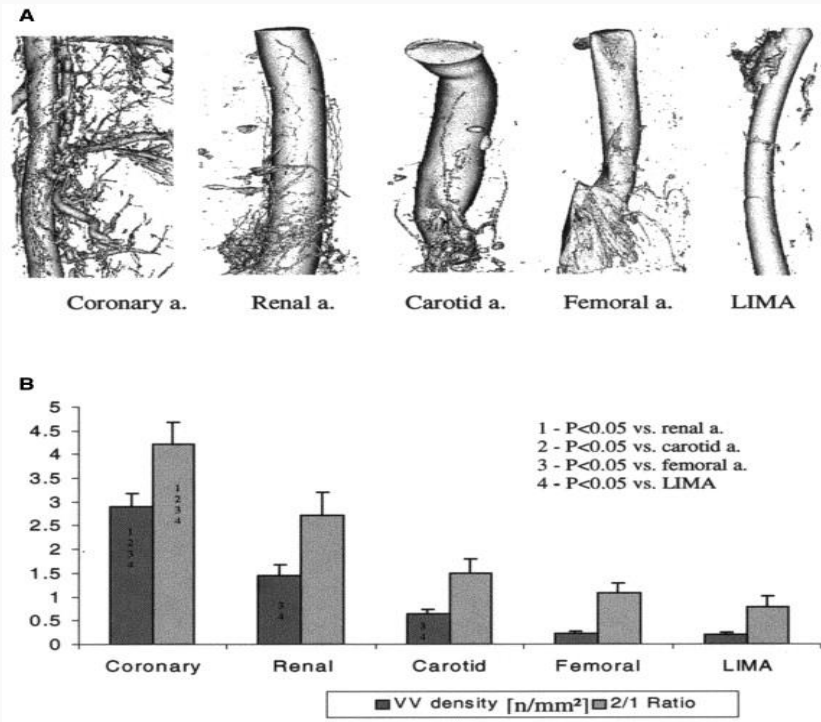
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Human brachial artery

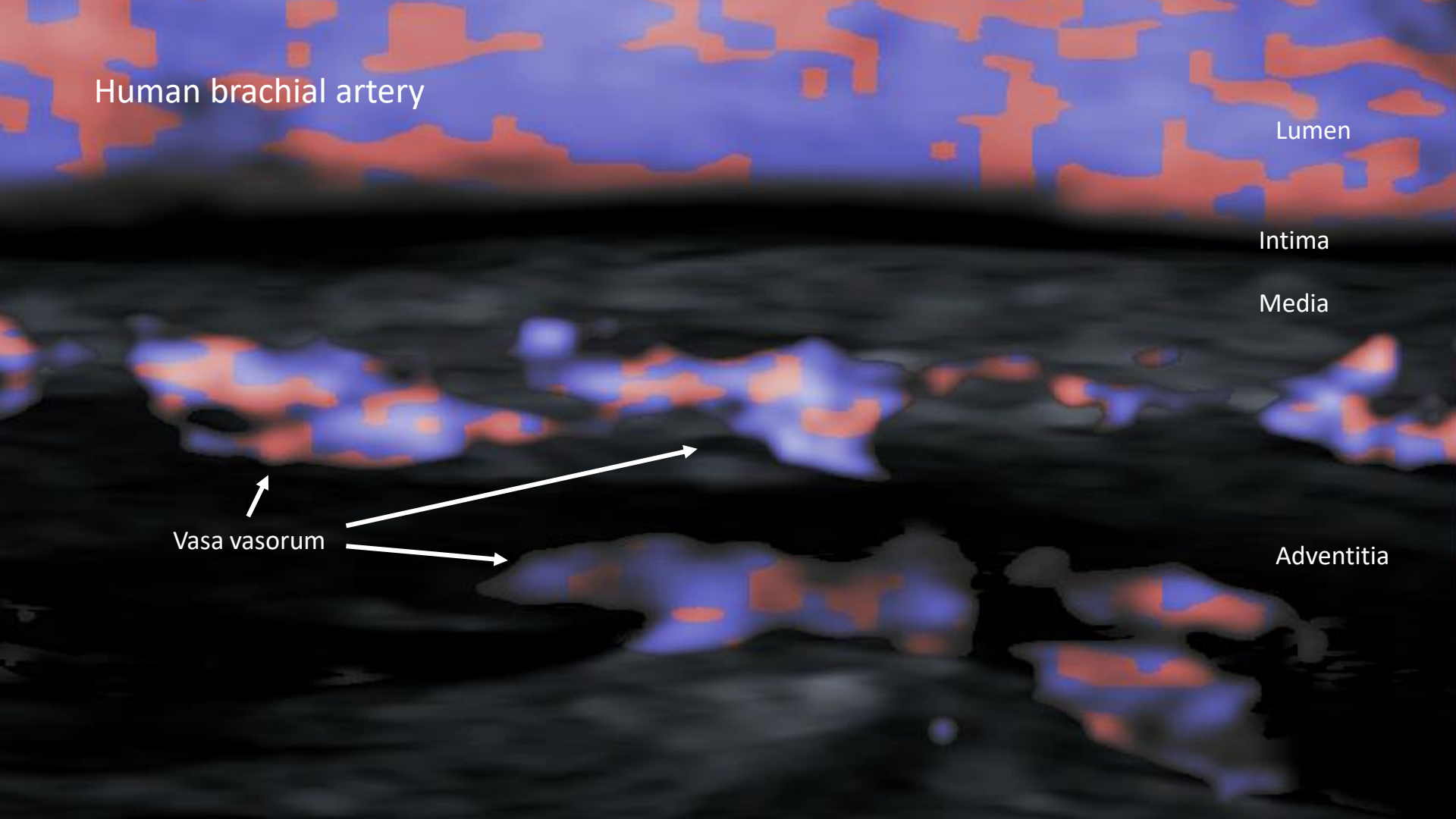
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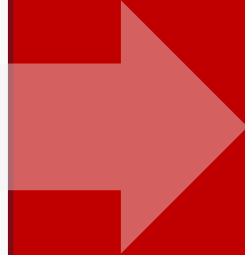
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Adventitia

Vasa vasorum



Vasa vasorum



Atherosclerosis

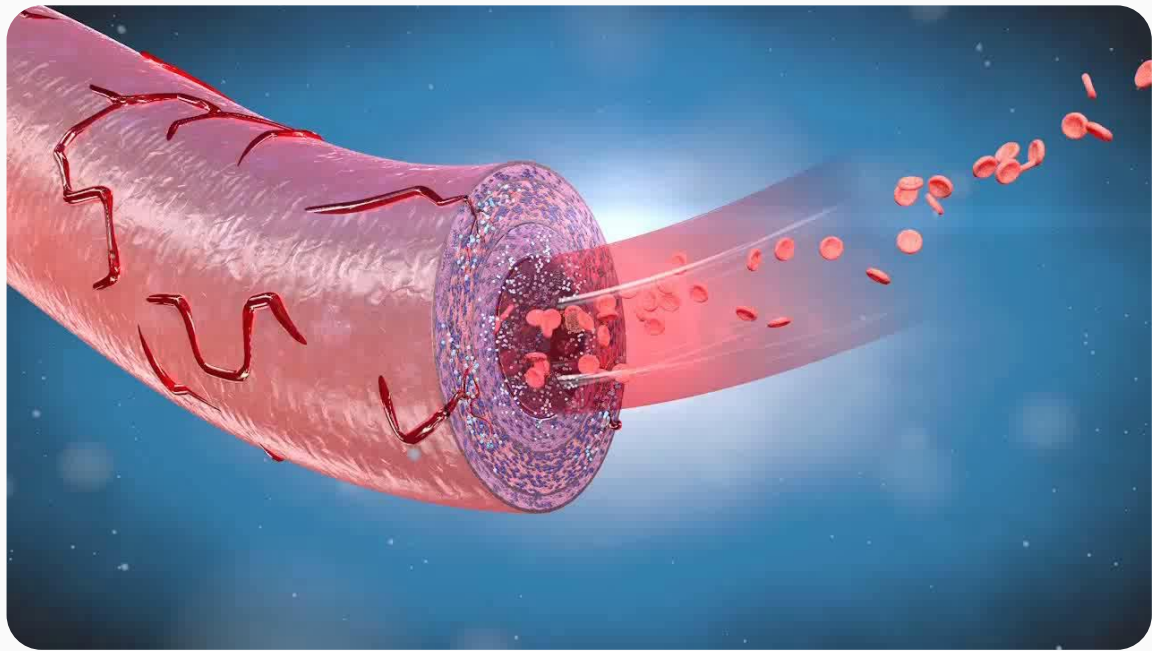
Vasa vasorum and atherosclerosis



Blood pressure, wall thickness, density vasa vasorum

Growth and Age

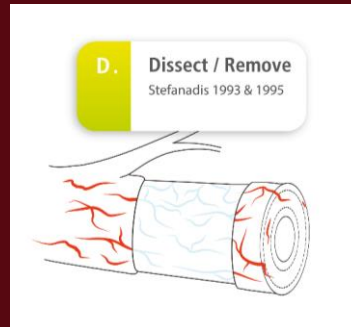
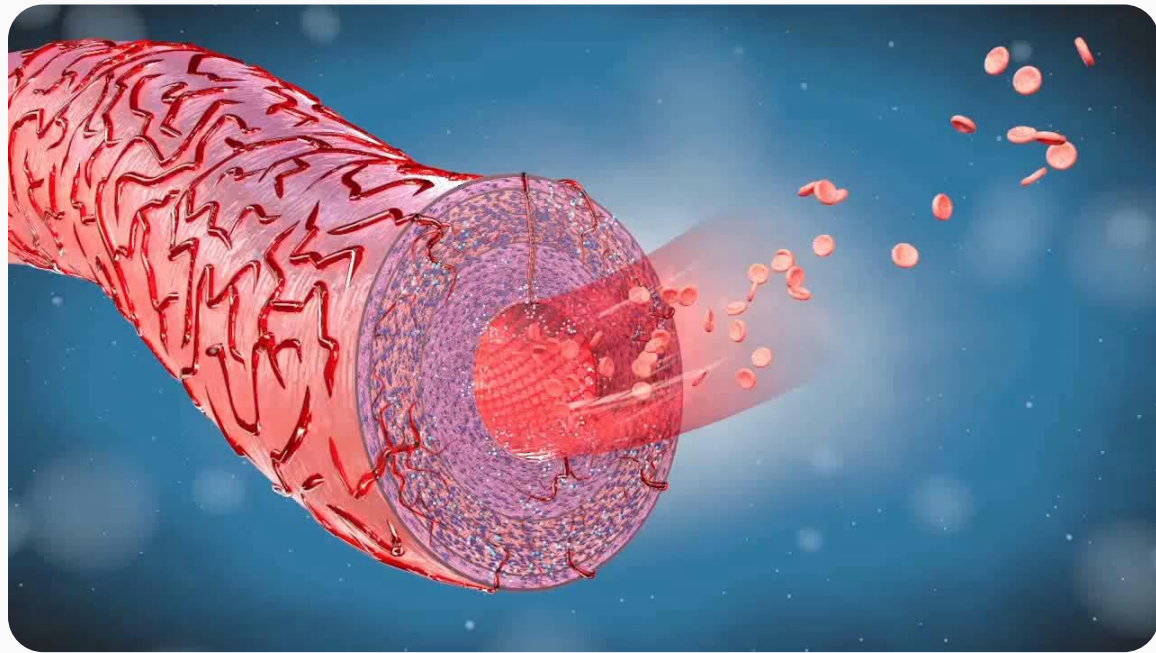
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Functional impairment

- Inflammation
- Infection (viral&bacterial)
- Small particles
- Vasoconstriction
- Thrombosis (Corona)

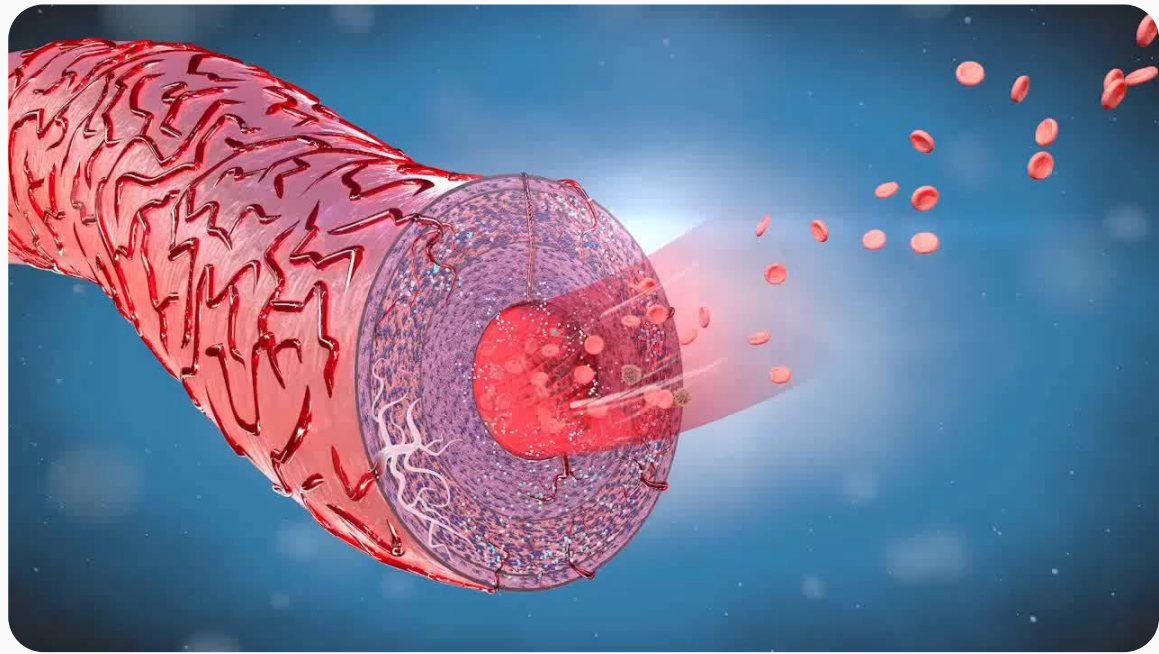
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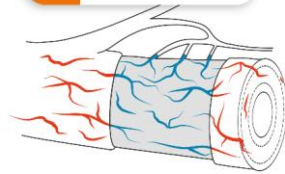
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„No touch“ vein graft harvesting
= no graft atherosclerosis

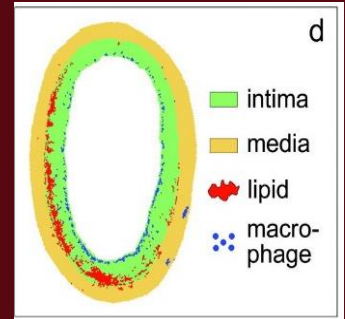
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Heistad et al. 1981

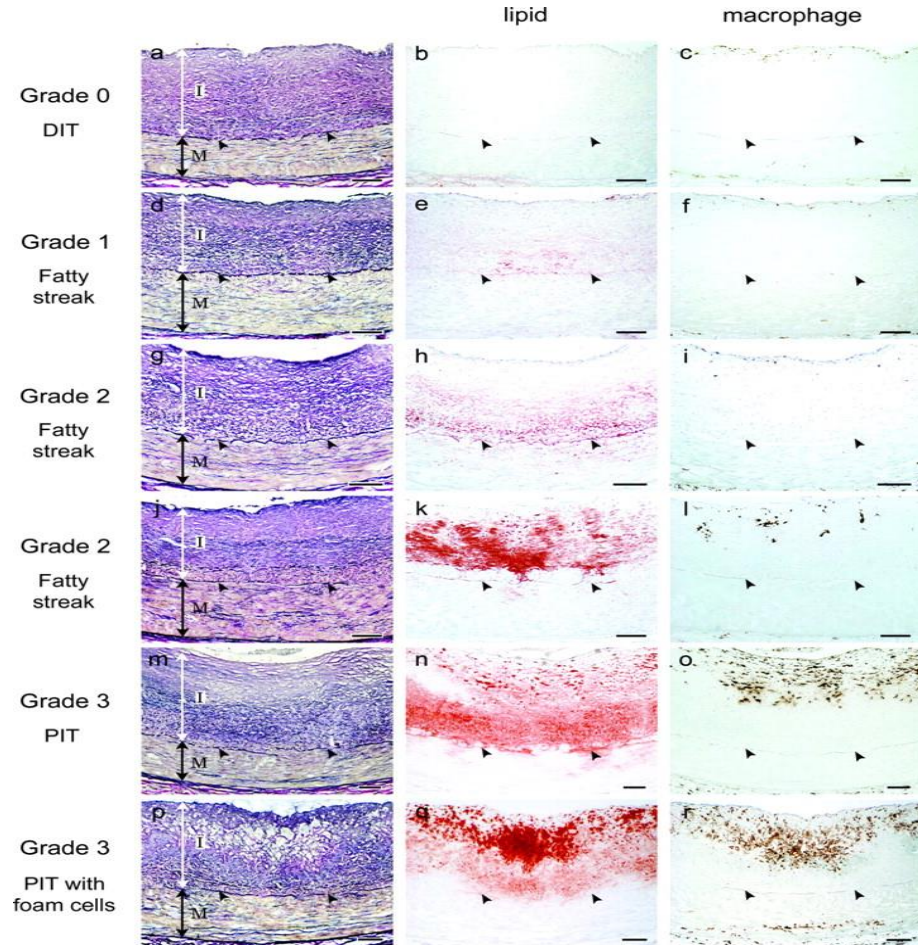


2 Weeks
Sub-intimal
lipid deposition



Vasa vasorum and atherosclerosis

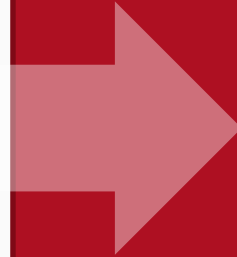
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Vasa vasorum

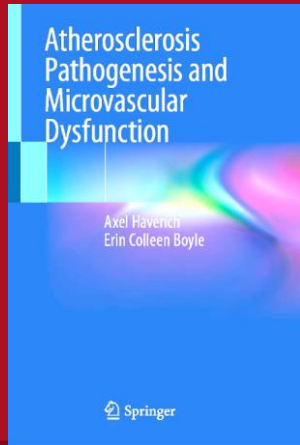
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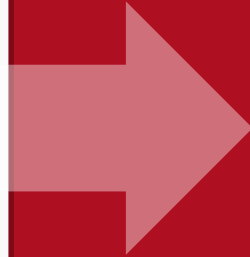
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Atherosclerosis

Mammary artery
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Vasa vasorum



Aortic aneurysm

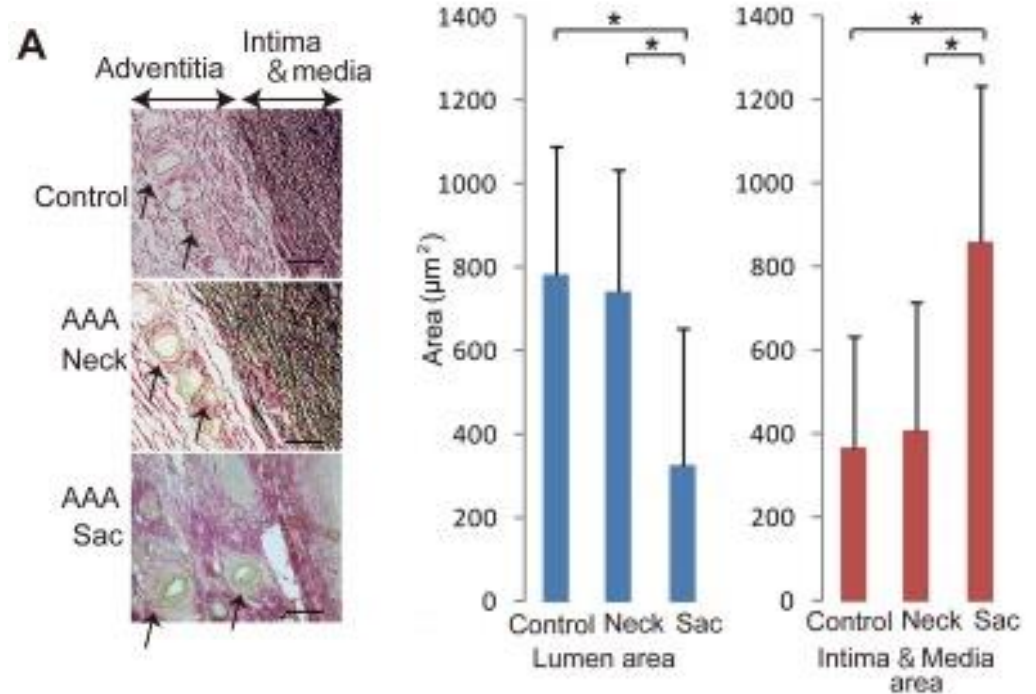
Vasa vasorum and aortic aneurysm

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Adventitial vasa vasorum arteriosclerosis in AAA

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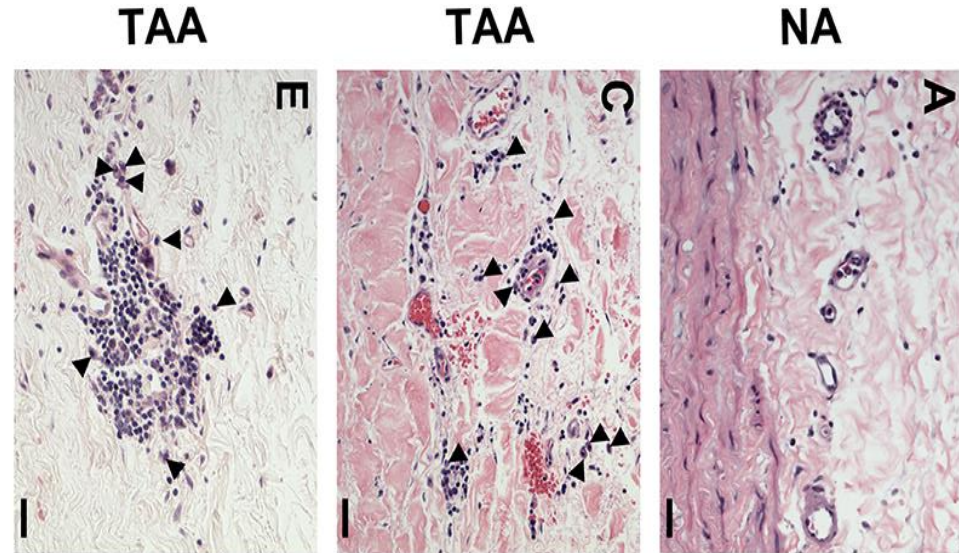


Vasa vasorum and aortic aneurysm

Front. Cardiovasc. Med., 17 September 2018

Medial Hypoxia and Adventitial Vasa Vasorum Remodeling in Human Ascending Aortic Aneurysm

Marie Billaud, et al, Pittsburgh, PA



Plasma cell infiltrates, adventitial Vasa vasorum

Vasa vasorum

A diagram consisting of two dark red rounded rectangular boxes. The left box contains the text 'Vasa vasorum'. A light red arrow points from the right side of the left box to the right box. The right box contains the text 'Aortic dissection'.

Aortic dissection

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Randy Griepp

„If an intimal tear would produce an aortic dissection, cardiac surgeons would produce thousands of them, every day, world-wide“

EACTS, Lisboa, 2019

Animal experiments
Vasa vasorum and
aortic dissection

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**EXPERIMENTAL INFARCTION (MEDIAL NECROSIS)
OF THE DOG'S AORTA**

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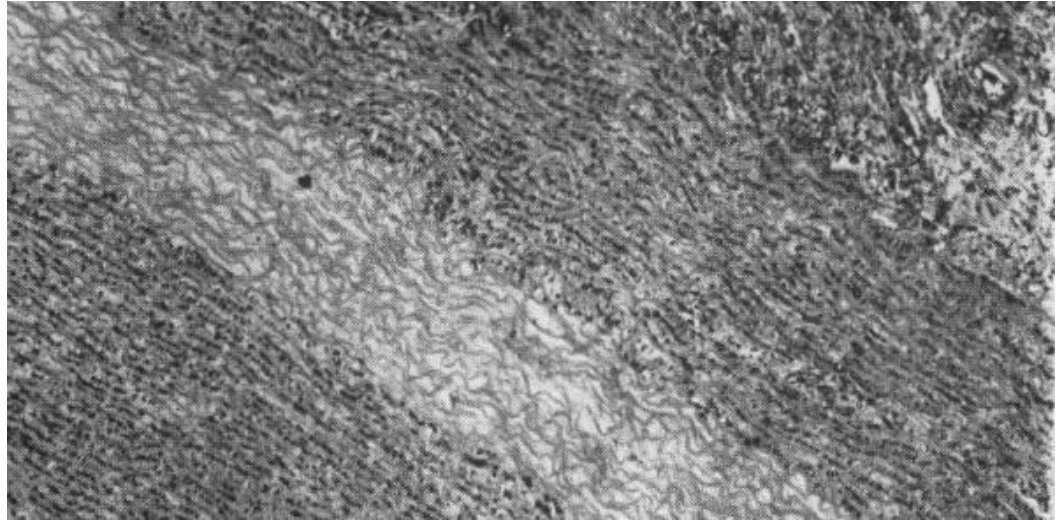


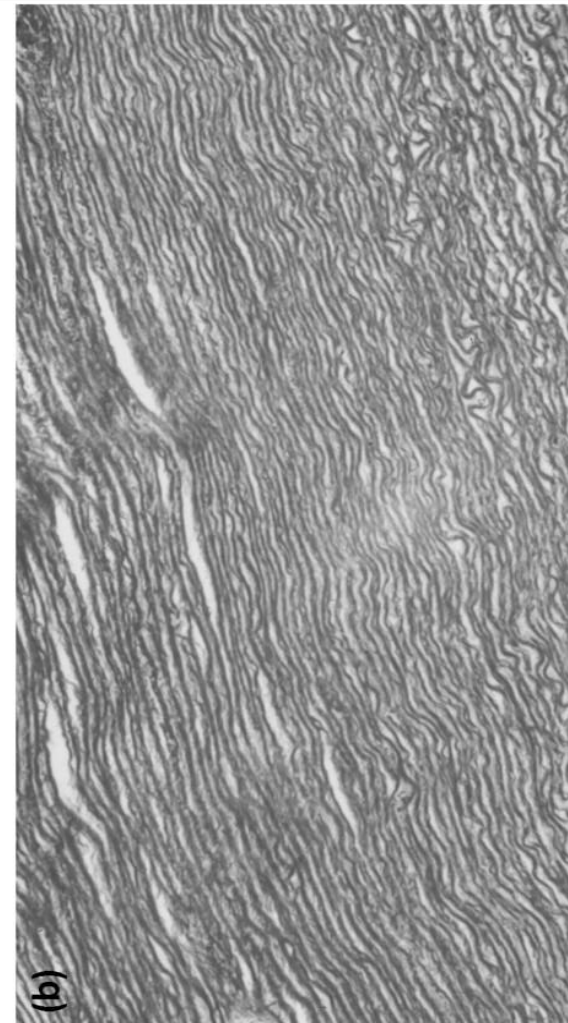
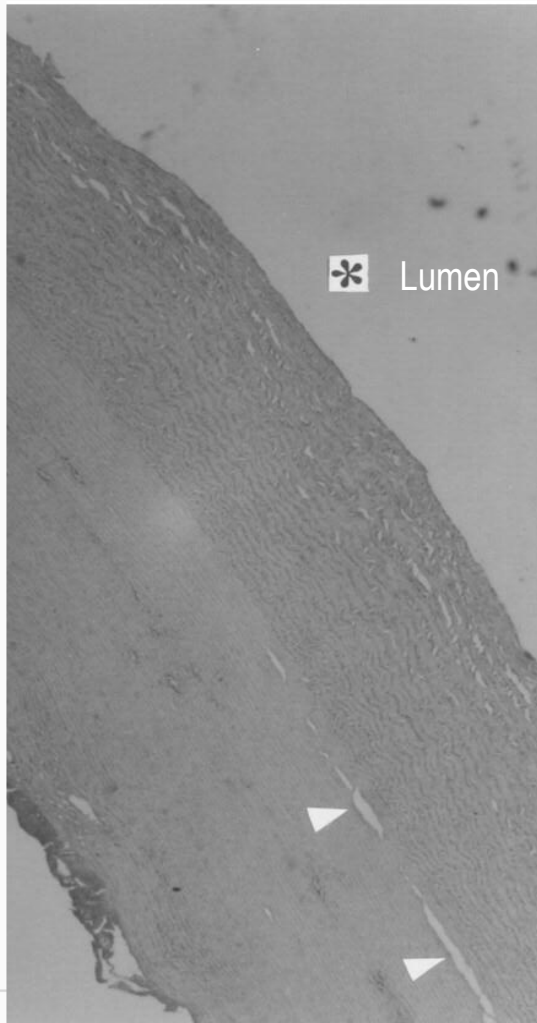
FIG. 10. Dog no. 6. A pale uniform mid-zonal area of necrosis persists 2 weeks after intercostal artery ligation. This necrotic zone extended over the entire circumference of the vessel at this level. $\times 123$.

Animal experiments

Vasa vasorum and aortic dissection

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EJCTS, 17, 2000

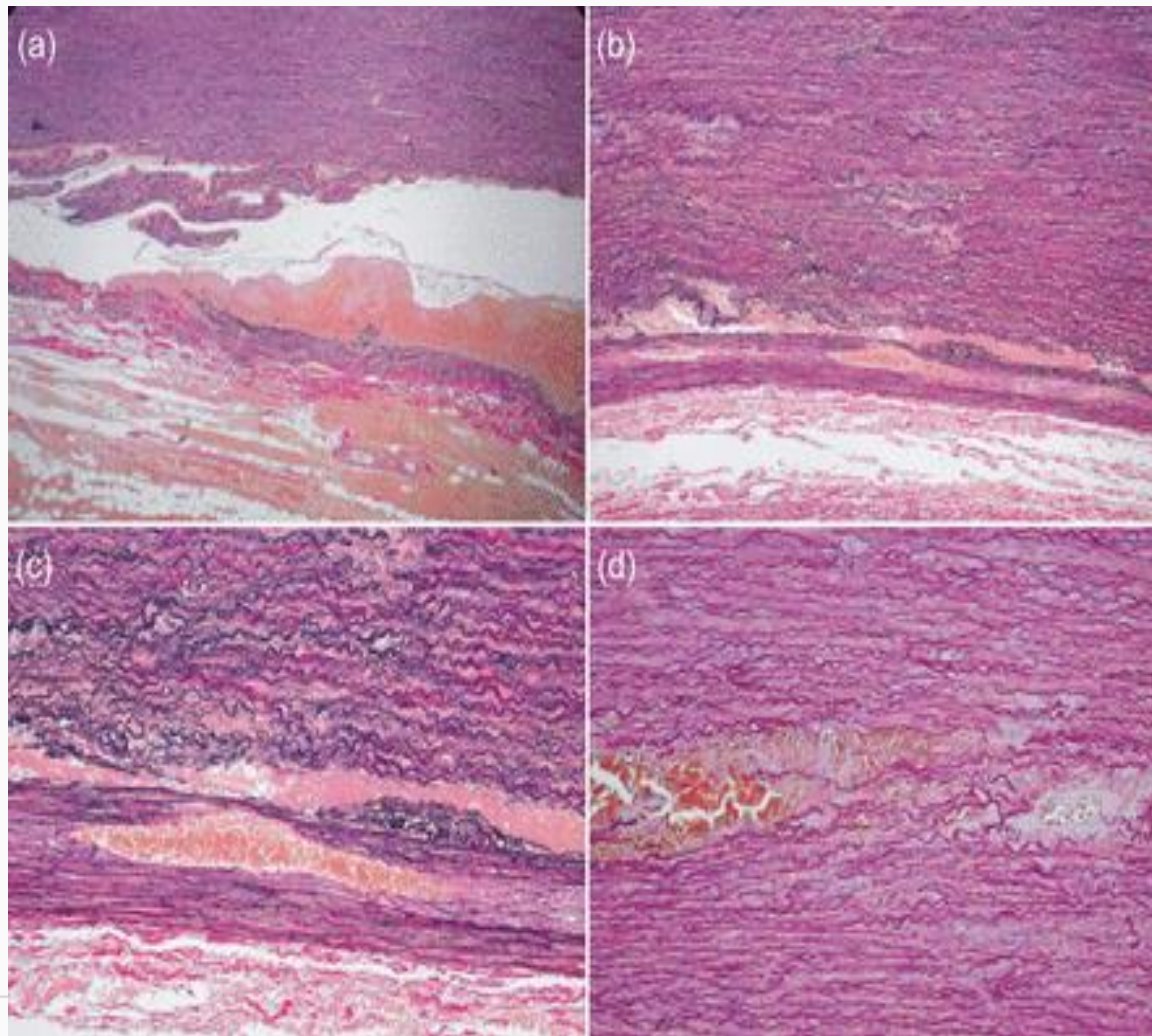


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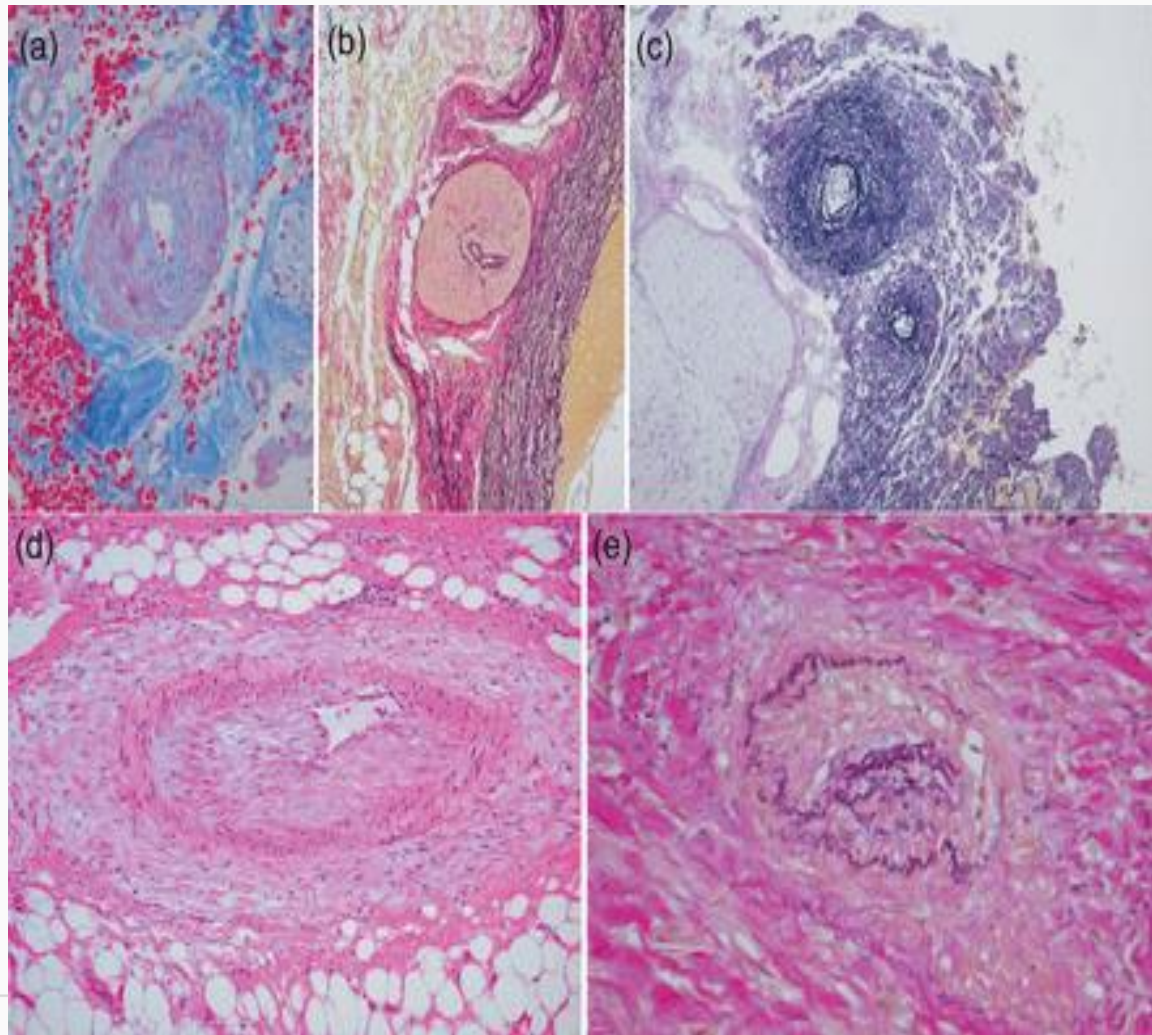


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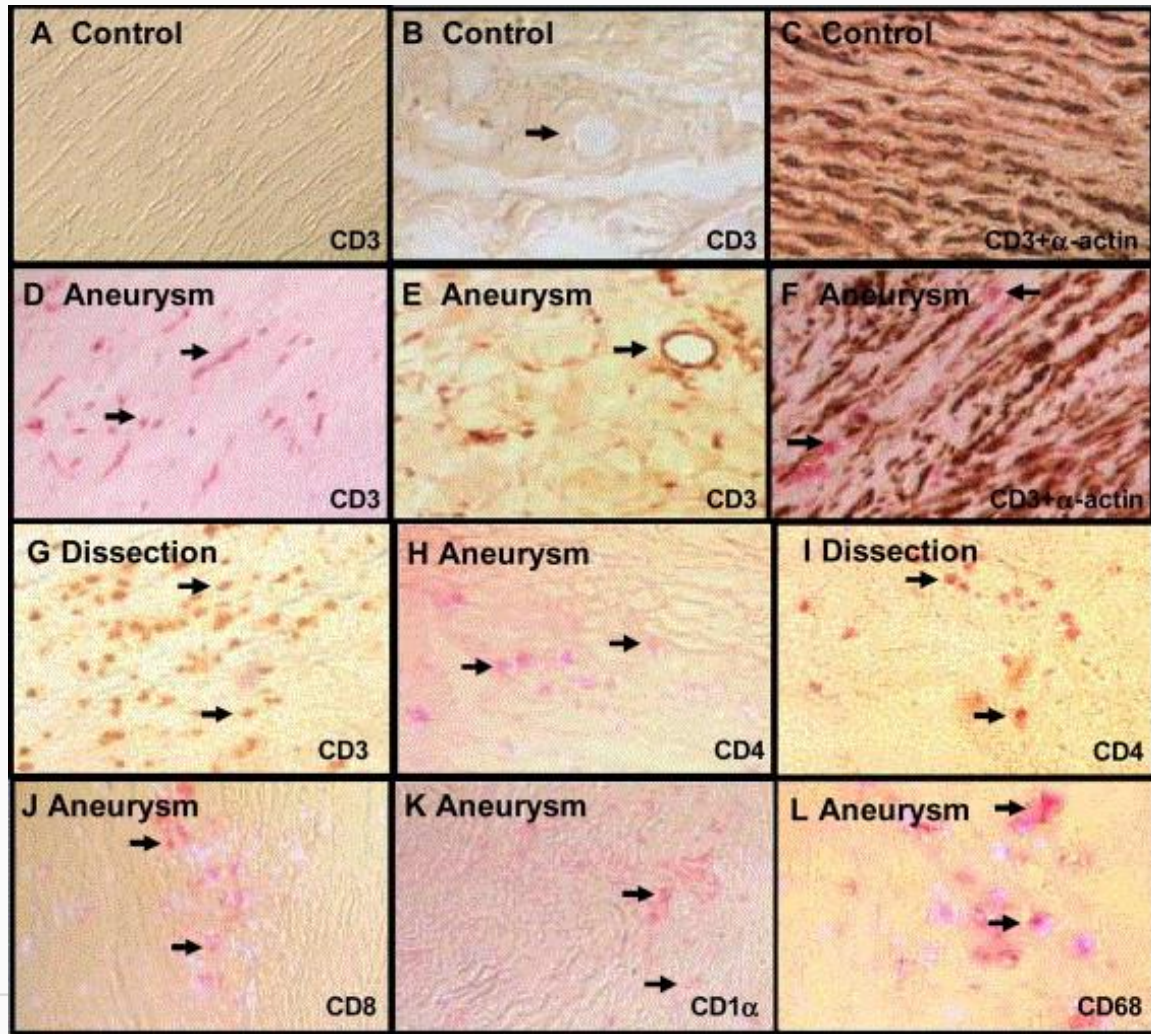
T-lymphocyte infiltrates in TAA and TAD

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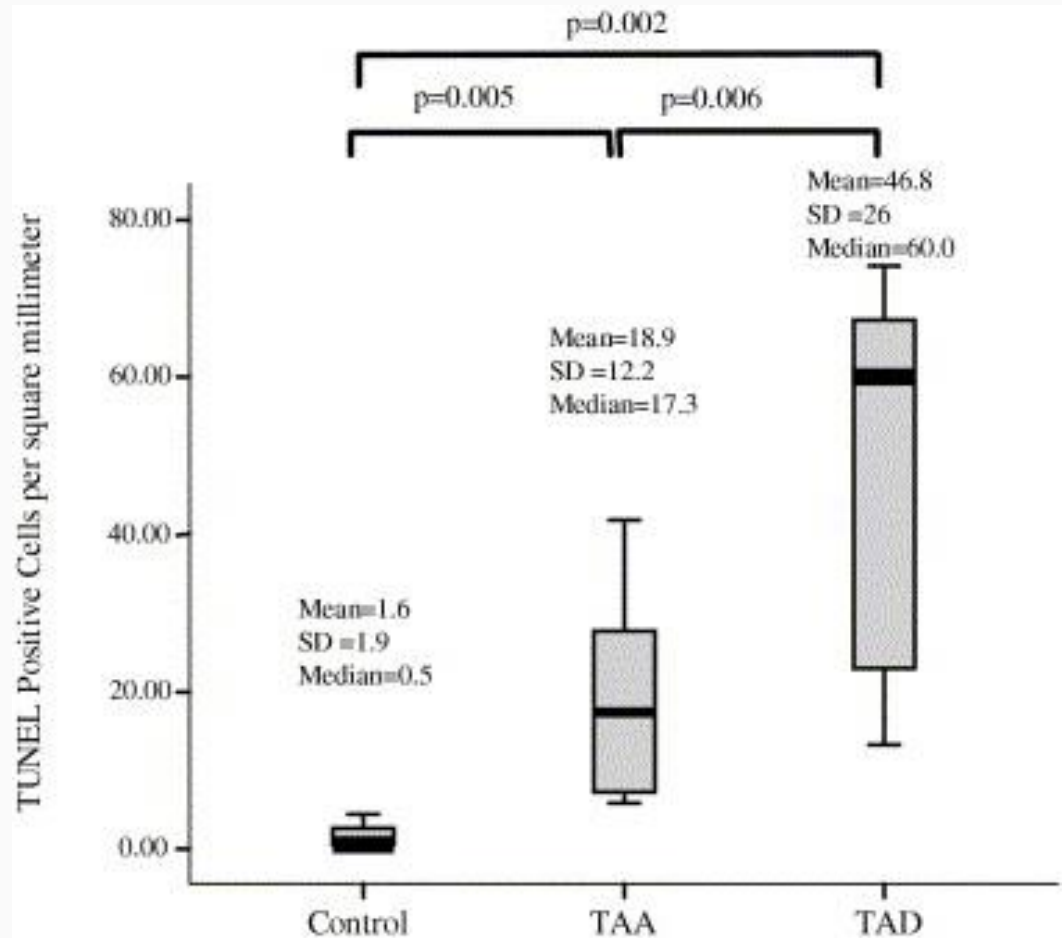
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Vasa vasorum and aortic dissection

Vasa vasorum obstruction

- ischemia T.media
- media necrosis



Inflammatory response

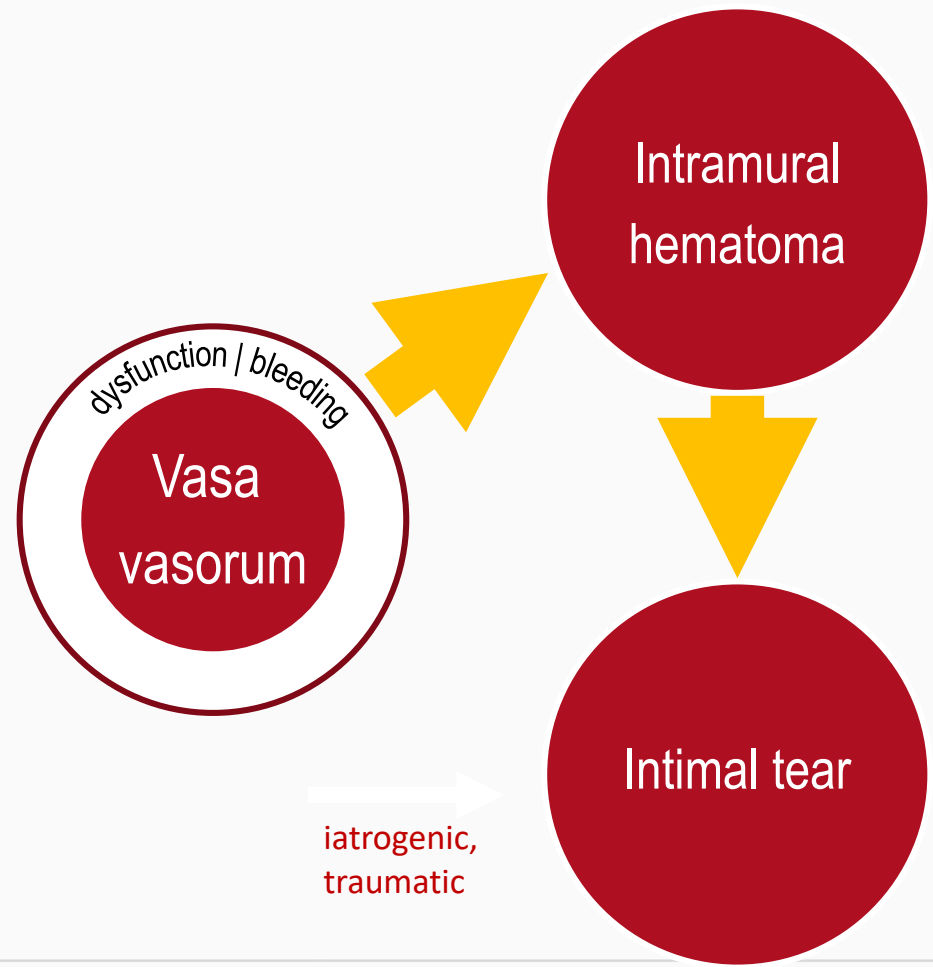
- extravasation of blood
- along vasa vasorum

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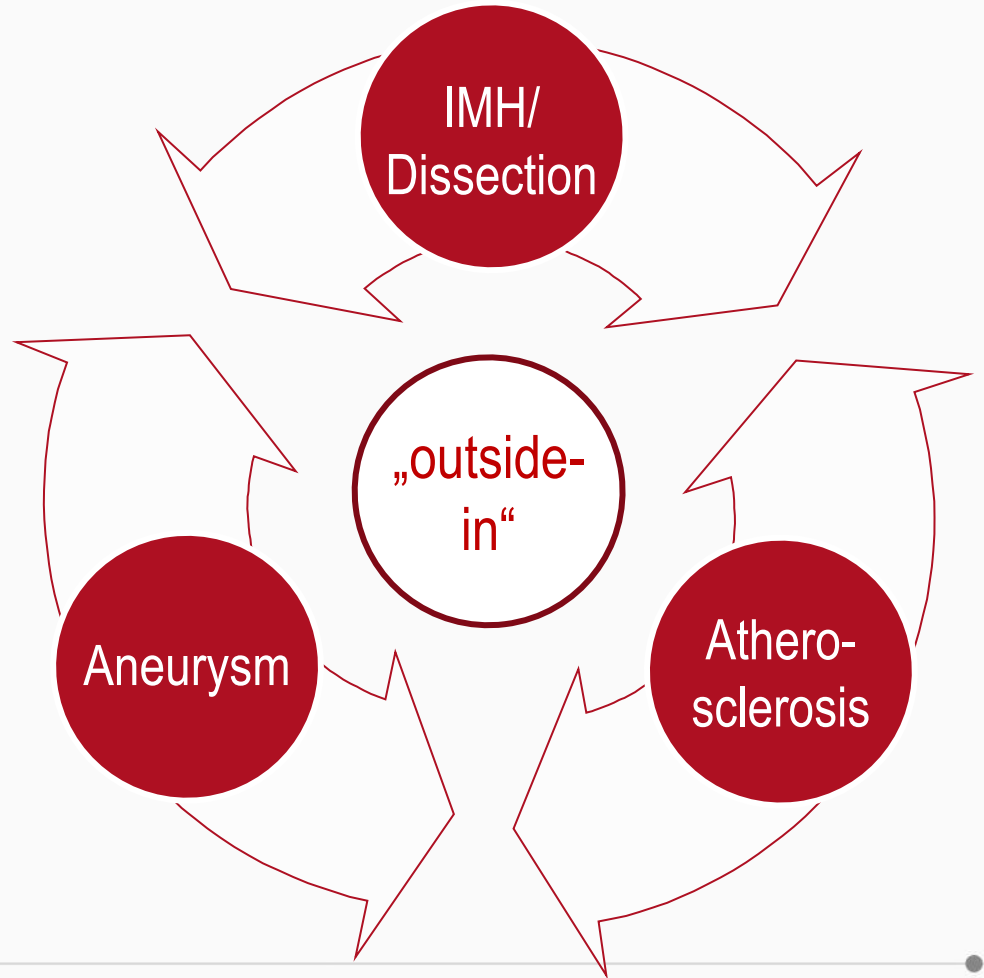
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Experimental & clinical
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Vasa vasorum and aortic dissection



The role of the vasa vasorum?



„Flipping the paradigm...“

Atherosclerosis

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Cosequences

of understanding the natural course of aortic disease

Preservation of an intact microcirculation of the aortic wall

Medical

- Prevention: No smoking, exercise, reduce air pollution, vaccinations
- Therapie: Infections, inflammation, (diastolic) hypertension

Surgical

- Protect the adventitial layer
 - bypass grafts (saphenous vein, mammary artery)
 - over-extending stents
- Secondary prevention

Trans-disciplinary

- Research in other disease areas with suspected microcirculatory pathobiology

DISCUSSION (3 slides)

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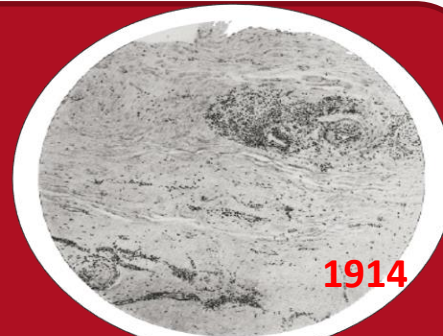
Karl Koester, Universität Bonn, 1843 - 1904

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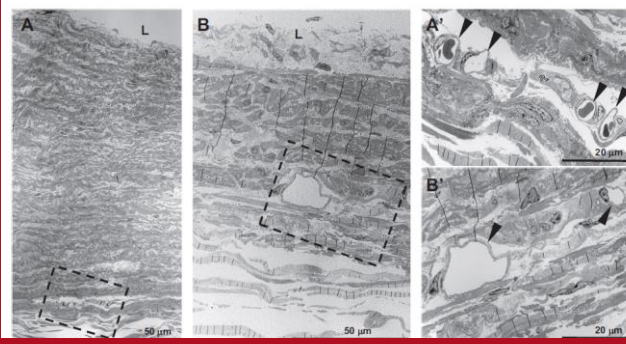
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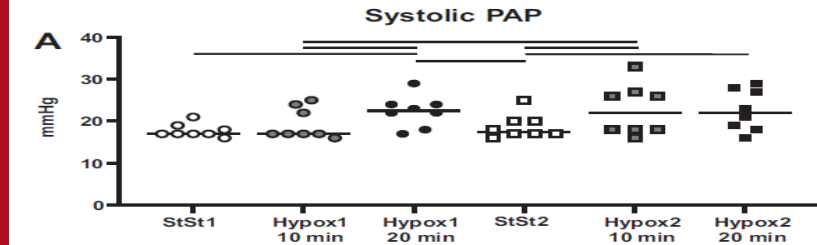
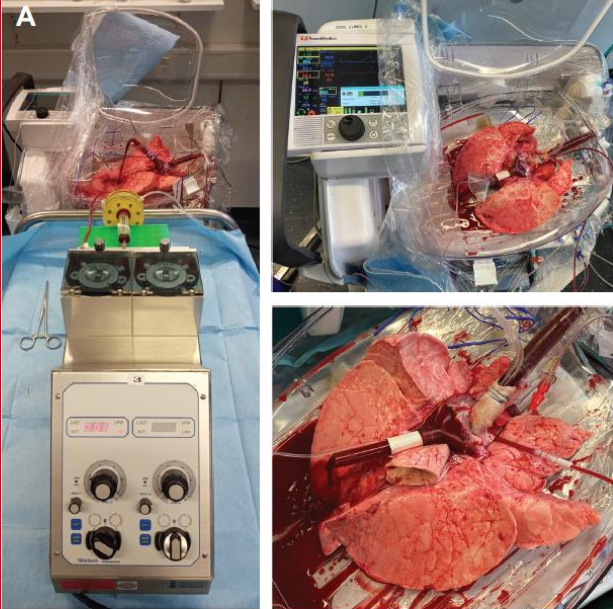
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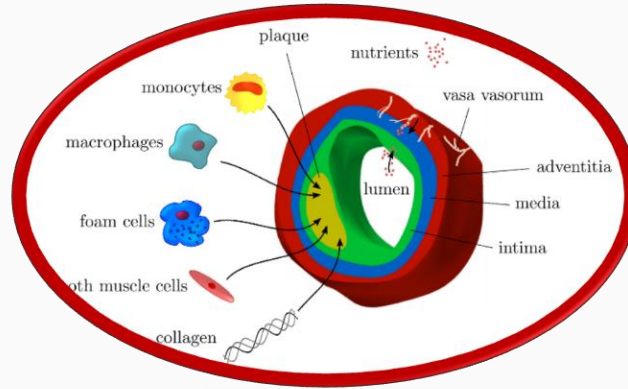
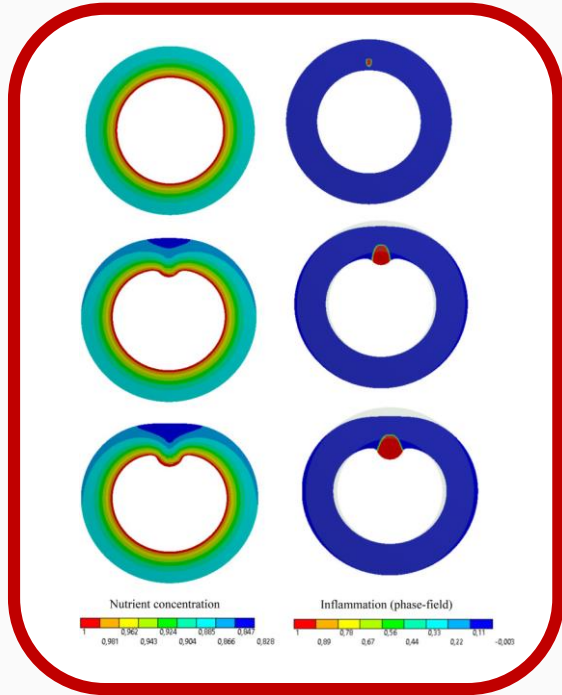
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