

Ambulatory Arterial Stiffness Monitoring, As Good As Ambulatory Blood Pressure Monitoring?

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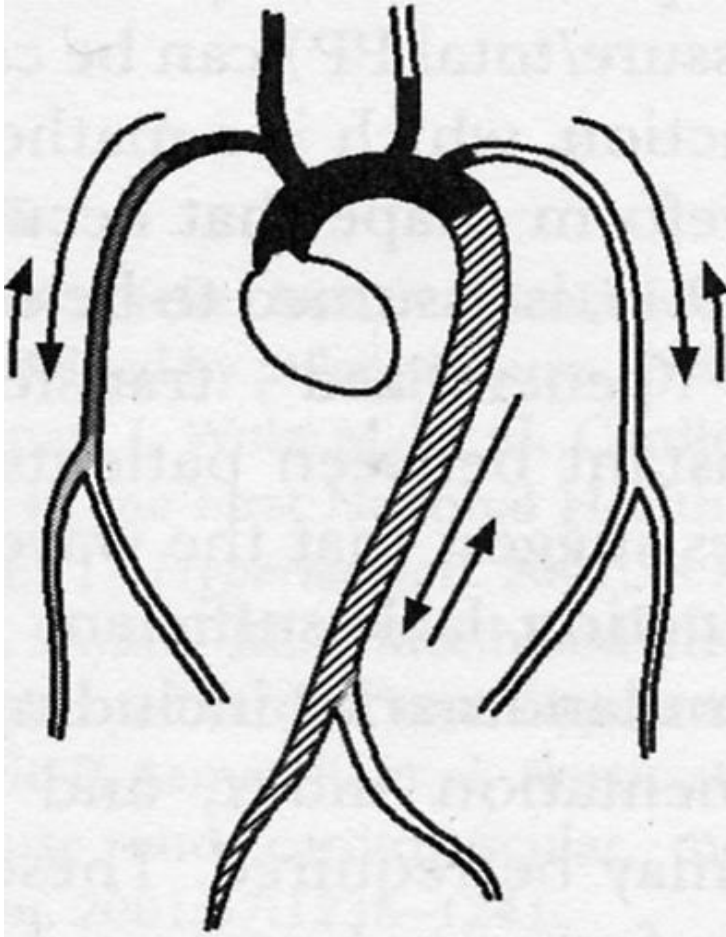
동맥 경화 검사 (Vascular biomarker)가 가져야 할 요건

- 효능(Proof of concept)
 - 심혈관 사건 (기)발생자와 미발생자 사이 차이가 있는가?
- 예후 예측력 (Prospective validation)
 - 코호트 연구 등에서 사건 발생 예측력이 증명되었나?
- 추가 효능(Incremental value)
 - 기존의 위험 예측도에 더한 추가적인 예측력이 있는가?
- 검사 효과(Clinical utility)
 - 검사 결과로 치료 방침을 바꿀만한가?
- 치료 효과(Clinical outcomes)
 - 무작위 검사에서 검사에 따른 치료 결정으로 예후에 차이를 보았는가?
- 비용 대비 효과
- 검사의 용이성
- 검사 방법의 통일성
- 인종/성별/연령에 따른 정상치 보유

‘Operator-independent’ 동맥경화도 검사

- Carotid-femoral pulse wave velocity
- Brachial-ankle pulse wave velocity
- Central hemodynamics/wave reflections

Rationale of carotid-femoral PWV measurement



Central Conduit Stiffness

-  = Characteristic Impedance
-  = Carotid- Femoral PWV

Peripheral (muscular) Conduit Stiffness

-  = Carotid- Brachial PWV
-  = Carotid- Radial PWV

Pros and cons of brachial-ankle PWV

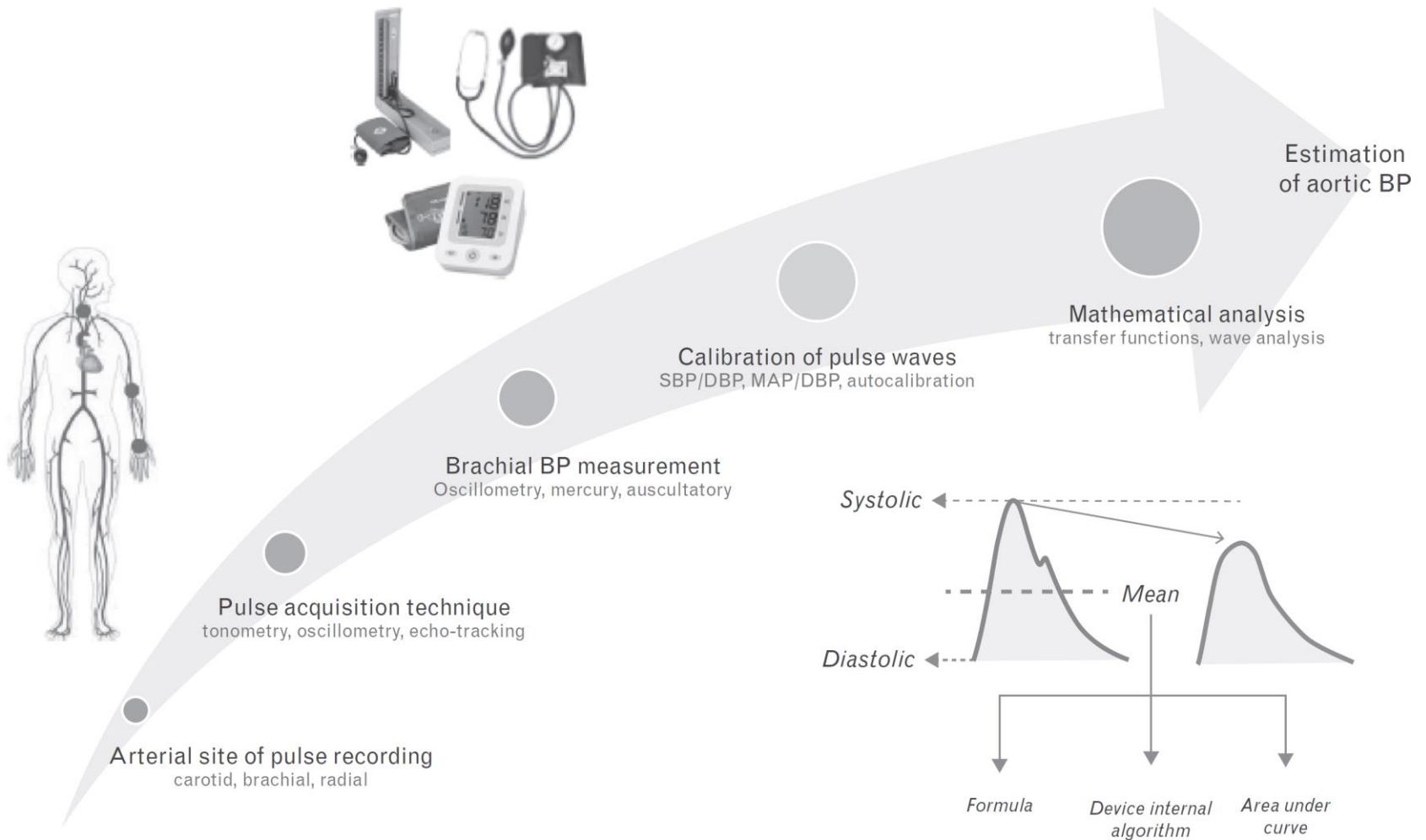
● Brachial-ankle PWV의 단점

- 혈관계가 좁은 하지의 동맥을 포함하므로 CfPWV에 비해 큰 값을 가짐 (일본인 만 명을 대상으로 한 연구에서 baPWV 값이 14.0 m/s 이상인 경우 Framingham score에 의한 심혈관 위험도 예측에서 독립적인 예측인자였음)
- 동일 혈관이 아닌 상지-하지 별개의 혈관 속도를 인위적으로 합친 측정치
- Elastic artery인 대동맥 보다는 peripheral muscular artery의 경화도를 주로 반영?

● Brachial-ankle PWV의 장점

- 간편하고 비침습적인 방법: 의복을 착용한 상태에서 간편하게 측정 가능
- **혈압과 Ankle-brachial index를 동시에 측정 가능**
- 말초 소동맥의 경화도 반영하므로 좌심실 비대 및 기능 저하의 평가인자로서는 carotid-femoral PWV보다 잠재적 우위성이 있을 가능성?

Noninvasive estimation of aortic blood pressure



Noninvasive measurement underestimate actual SBP by ~4.5mmHg compared with 'gold standard' invasive catheter measurement

Indirect, non-invasive methods for estimating central pressure

| Method of waveform recording | Device | Company | Method of calibration | Method of estimation | Clinical applicability [†] |
|---------------------------------|--|---------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Radial tonometry | BPro ^{86,87} | HealthSTATS | Brachial–radial cuff BP | GTF (radial-aortic) | ++ |
| | SphygmoCor ^{12,88} | AtCor Medical | Brachial–radial cuff BP | (i) GTF (radial-aortic) | + |
| | | | | (ii) Late systolic shoulder | + |
| Brachial cuff PVP | HEM9000AI ^{39,77} | Omron | Brachial cuff BP | (i) Algorithm | ++ |
| | | | | (ii) Late systolic shoulder | ++ |
| | *ARCsolver ^{89,90} | | Brachial cuff BP | GTF (brachial-aortic) | +++ |
| | Centron cBP301 ^{35,91} | Centron Diagnostics | Brachial cuff BP | GTF (brachial-aortic) | ++++ |
| | Vicorder ⁹² | Skidmore Medical | Brachial cuff BP | GTF (brachial-aortic) | +++ |
| Suprasystolic brachial cuff PVP | XCEL | AtCor Medical | Brachial cuff BP | GTF (brachial-aortic) | +++ |
| | Method of Sung <i>et al.</i> ⁴² | | Brachial cuff BP | Algorithm | ++ |
| | Arteriograph ^{37,93} | TensioMed | Brachial cuff BP | Late systolic wave amplitude | +++ |
| | Cardioscope II ^{36,94} | Pulsecor | Brachial cuff BP | Algorithm | ++++ |

- Radial arterial tonometry: SphygmoCor, HEM9000AI
- High-sensitivity cuff oscillometry: ARCsolver device incorporated in Mobil-O-Graph

중심 동맥압이 상완 동맥압에 비해 경동맥 비대/죽상 경화 예측에 우월함

| Study | Population | CCA Phenotype | Methods | Central Correlation | Brachial Correlation | Comparison* |
|--------------------------|------------------|---|---------------|---|---|---|
| Boutouyrie ¹¹ | 167 HTN plus NL | Right diameter Right IMT | Carotid†, USG | PP: 0.33; $P < 0.0001$ PP: 0.42; $P < 0.0001$ | PP: 0.09; NS PP: 0.27; $P < 0.001$ | See text |
| Roman ¹² | 3520 AI | Mean IMT Mean mass Plaque score | Radial†, USG | PP: 0.293; $P < 0.001$ SBP: 0.257; $P < 0.001$ PP: 0.320; $P < 0.001$ SBP: 0.317; $P < 0.001$ PP: 0.364; $P < 0.001$ SBP: 0.288; $P < 0.001$ | PP: 0.249; $P < 0.001$ SBP: 0.196; $P < 0.001$ PP: 0.289; $P < 0.001$ SBP: 0.264; $P < 0.001$ PP: 0.309; $P < 0.001$ SBP: 0.221; $P < 0.001$ | $P < 0.002$ $P < 0.001$ $P < 0.05$ $P < 0.001$ $P < 0.001$ $P < 0.001$ |
| Wang ¹³ | 1272 HTN plus NL | Right IMT | Carotid†, USG | PP: 0.265; $P < 0.001$ SBP: 0.252; $P < 0.001$ | PP: 0.204; $P < 0.001$ SBP: 0.225; $P < 0.001$ | $P < 0.05$ n/a |
| DeLoach ¹⁶ | 367 CKD | IMT Plaque | Radial†, USG | PP: 0.36; $P \leq 0.0001$ SBP: 0.29; $P \leq 0.0001$ χ^2 ; $P < 0.0001$ | PP: 0.32; $P \leq 0.0001$ χ^2 ; $P < 0.0001$ | Not different |
| Norton ¹⁴ | 462 black SA | Right IMT | Radial†, USG | PP: 0.49; $P < 0.0001$ ‡ P2: 0.53; $P < 0.0001$ ‡ | | See footnote |
| Neisius ¹⁵ | 535 HTN plus NL | IMT | Radial†, USG | PP: 0.426; $P < 0.001$ SBP: 0.478; $P < 0.001$ | PP: 0.235; $P < 0.001$ SBP: 0.417; $P < 0.001$ | $P < 0.01$ $P < 0.01$ |

*Statistical comparison of central vs brachial correlation

중심 동맥압이 상완 동맥압에 비해 좌심실 질량 / 좌심실 비대 예측에 우월함

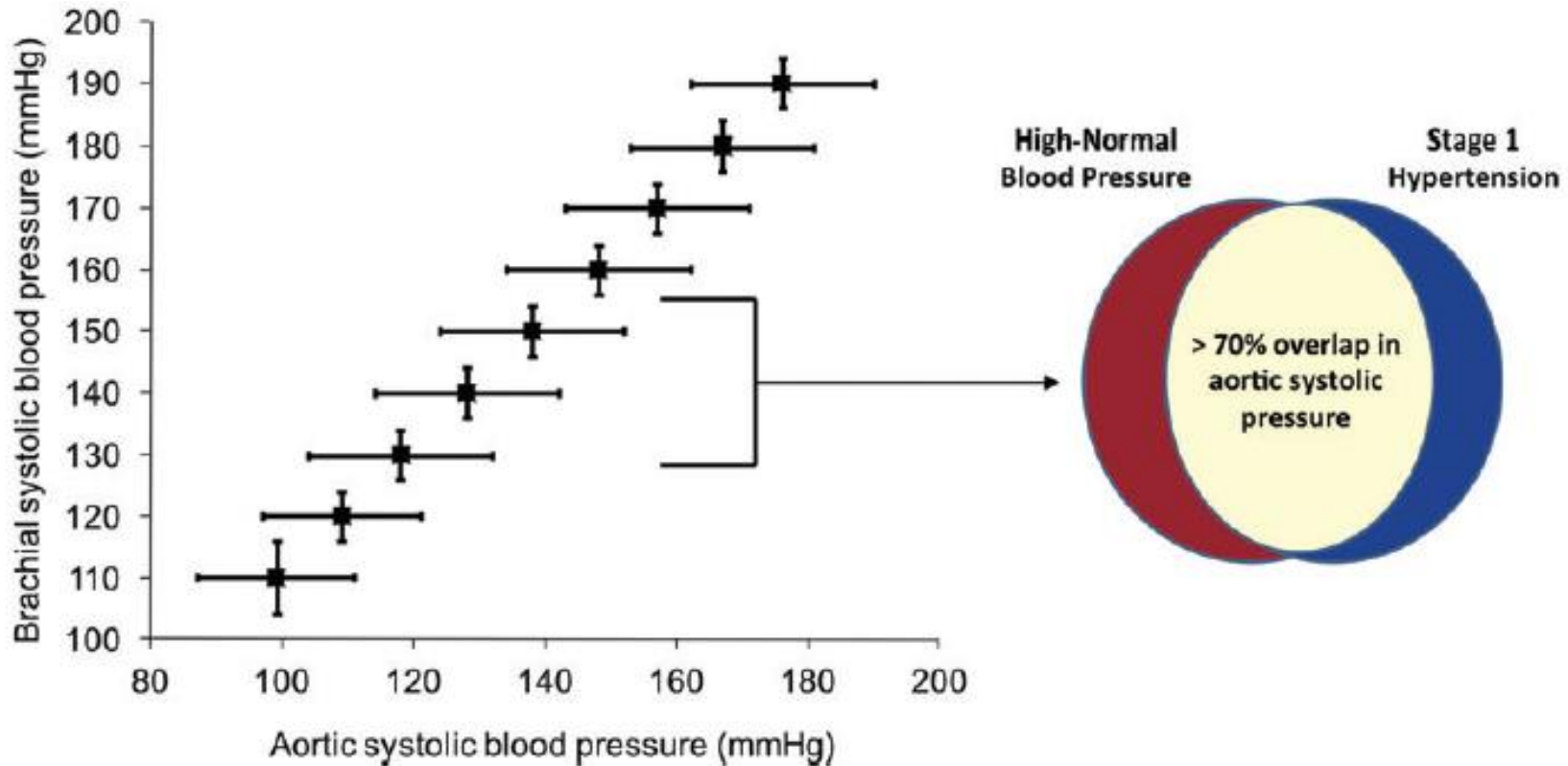
| Study | Population | Phenotype | Methods | Central Correlation | Brachial Correlation | Comparison* |
|-------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|----------------|--|--|---------------------------|
| Covic ¹⁸ | 51 ESRD | LV mass | Radial†, echo | SBP: 0.56; $P < 0.001$ | SBP: 0.35; $P = 0.04$ | n/a |
| Wang ¹³ | 1272 HTN plus NL | LV mass/BSA | Carotid†, echo | PP: 0.286; $P < 0.001$ SBP: 0.410; $P < 0.001$ | PP: 0.219; $P < 0.001$ SBP: 0.370; $P < 0.001$ | $P < 0.05$ $P < 0.05$ |
| Roman ²¹ | 3520 AI | LV mass/Ht ^{2.7} | Radial†, echo | PP: 0.335; $P < 0.001$ SBP: 0.396; $P < 0.001$ | PP: 0.219; $P < 0.001$ SBP: 0.370; $P < -0.001$ | $P < 0.005$ NS |
| | | RWT | | PP: 0.167; $P < 0.001$ SBP: 0.286; $P < 0.001$ | PP: 0.130; $P < 0.001$ SBP: 0.250; $P < 0.001$ | $P < 0.02$ $P < 0.005$ |
| Norton ¹⁴ | 678 black SA | LV mass/Ht ^{1.7} | Radial†, echo | PP: 0.41; $P < 0.0001$ ‡ P2: 0.41; $P < 0.0001$ ‡ | | See footnote |
| Neisius ¹⁵ | 535 HTN plus NL | LV mass/Ht ^{2.7} | Radial†, echo | PP: 0.385; $P < 0.001$ SBP: 0.391; $P < 0.001$ | PP: 0.189; $P < 0.001$ SBP: 0.297; $P < 0.001$ | $P < 0.01$ $P < 0.01$ |
| Wohlfahrt ²⁵ | 657 Czechs | LVH | ECG | SBP: AUC, 0.90±0.02 | SBP: AUC, 0.83±0.03 | $P < 0.05$ |

*Statistical comparison of central vs brachial correlation

표적 장기 손상 예측에 대한 중심 동맥압 평가의 효용성

- 경동맥 비대, 좌심실 비대 등 심혈관 질환 미세 손상 지표와의 상관 관계가 상완 동맥보다 높음
- 고혈압 환자에서 Perindopril/Indapamide를 이용해 좌심실 비대를 호전시킨 REASON 연구에서는 좌심실 질량의 감소 정도가 중심 동맥압에서만 유의하였음
- 심혈관 사건 발생의 예측력이 보고됨
- 중심 동맥압 중심의 고혈압 약제 치료시 16%의 환자에서 약제 중지가 가능했다는 보고가 있음

고혈압 환자의 위험도 평가에 중심 동맥압이 Reclassification 효과가 있음



- Overlap in aortic SBP despite no overlap in brachial SBP, in healthy men and women (n = 5648).
- > 70% of individuals with high-normal BP had aortic SBP in common with individuals with stage 1 hypertension.

수축기 혈압의 변이 폭은 상완 동맥과 유사함

| Variable | Mean | Range | SD | CV |
|--------------|------|-------|------|------|
| Brachial SBP | 136 | 163 | 28.2 | 20.5 |
| Brachial DBP | 81.2 | 107 | 16.2 | 20.0 |
| Brachial PP | 54.9 | 149 | 18.2 | 33.1 |
| Brachial P2 | 123 | 158 | 32.4 | 26.3 |
| Central SBP | 123 | 136 | 28.4 | 23.1 |
| Central DBP | 82.3 | 109 | 16.5 | 20.0 |
| Central PP | 40.8 | 101 | 17.1 | 41.9 |
| PPA | 13.1 | 52 | 6.52 | 49.8 |
| Central AI | 130 | 186 | 30.6 | 23.5 |

중심 동맥압 측정이 정립되기 위해 해결되어야 할 과제

- 중심 동맥압 측정 기기 사이의 측정치 차이가 큼
 - 경동맥 파형 분석 방식과 비교해 Omron (HEM9000AI) 기기의 중심 동맥압 측정치는 12mmHg 높게 표시되고, Sphygmocor 기기의 경우 7mmHg 낮게 표시됨.
- 중심 동맥압의 정상치가 정립되어 있지 않음
 - 상완동맥압의 140/90 mmHg에 대해 중심동맥압 125/90mmHg 수준이 상응된다는 보고가 있는 실정
- 연령/성별/신장/맥박 등 요인에 따라 상완 동맥압, 중심 동맥압의 차이가 영향받으나, 30%의 혈압 차이의 요인은 아직 설명되지 않음.
- 표적 장기 손상에 대한 높은 예측력이 10-12개의 맥박 결과를 평균해서 오는 정밀도에 의한 것이라는 유보적 견해도 있음

ESC/ESH guideline에서의 PWV, Central BP의 위치

| Index | Recommendation | | | | | |
|-------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| cf PWV | Useful for risk stratification (IIa) | | | | | |
| CAP and AIx | Not indicated at the moment; only exception is isolated systolic hypertension in the young (IIb) | | | | | |

| Index | Level of evidence | Predictive value | Clinical utility | Ease of use | Methodological consensus | Reference values |
|-------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| cf PWV | A | +++++ | +++ | +++ | +++ | Yes |
| CAP and AIx | B | +++ | ++ | +++ | +++ | Yes (CAP) |

Pulse wave analysis over 24 hours

- Simultaneous monitoring of
 - peripheral BP
 - Central arterial pressure
 - Arterial stiffnessin ambulatory conditions over the 24 h.



Mobil-O-Graph PWA
By I.E.M. GmbH



BPLab
By OOO Petr Telegin



BPro
By HealthSTATS
International

Mobil-O-Graph PWA

- Obtains pulse waves with a conventional upper arm BP cuff.
- Following inflation to DBP level, acquiring the pulse waveform over 10 s through a high fidelity pressor sensor.
- After digitalization by 12-bit A/D converter, a three-stage signal processing used to confirm signal quality.
- Aortic pulse wave generated by means of a generalized transfer function (ARCSolver) to compute vascular parameters.
- ARCSolver method uses
 - late systolic peak and a transfer function-like method.
- To estimate aortic PWV, this method utilizes parameters from PWA combined into a proprietary mathematical model, coupled with information on age and CAP

- During a step-by-step deflation of an upper arm cuff, brachial pulse wave forms obtained from oscillograms, digitalized and stored.
- Signal processing performed using a special mathematical algorithm (Vasotens transfer function)
- CAP and A1x derived from the analysis of the reconstructed central pulse wave.

BPro

- Acquires the radial pressure waveform through automated radial tonometry (Evidence-Based blood Pressure tonometry) at a frequency of 60 Hz
- A single radial waveform averaged from individual waveforms recorded consecutively for 10 s per block of waveforms.
- From the radial waveform, estimating CAP using an N-point moving average method
- **Accurately derive CAP and does not generate an aortic waveform.**

Main features and validations of 24h devices

| Model | Technique | Main parameters | Validation of brachial BP measurement | Validation of PWA-derived parameters | Clinical studies |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|---|---|
| Mobil-O-Graph PWA | Oscillometric (ARCSolver) (*) | Brachial BP PWV CAP AIx | BHS SBP (B)/DBP (A) [18] BHS SBP (A)/DBP (A) [19] ESH passed [20] | SphygmoCor (6 studies: 3 PWV, 6 CAP, 4 AIx) [21–25] Cardiac magnetic resonance (1 study: PWV) [26] Intra-arterial (2 studies: 1 CAP, 1 AIx) [22, 27] | +++ (57 publications in Medline; 20 studies performed in ambulatory conditions) |
| BPLab | Oscillometric Vasotens | Brachial BP PWV CAP AIx | BHS SBP (A)/SBP (A) [28] BHS SBP (A)/SBP (A) children [29] BHS SBP (A)/SBP (A) pregnant women [30] | SphygmoCor (3 studies: 1 PWV, 3 CAP, 3 AIx) [31–33] | ++ (15 publications in Medline; 6 studies performed in ambulatory conditions) |
| BPro | Applanation tonometry EVB method | CAP | ESH passed [34] AAMI passed [34] | SphygmoCor (4 studies: 4 CAP, 1 AIx) [35–58] Intra-arterial (2 studies: 2 CAP) [35, 36] | + (8 publications in Medline; 3 studies performed in ambulatory conditions) |
| Arteriograph 24 | Oscillometric | Brachial BP PWV CAP AIx | BHS SBP (A)/SBP (A) [39] AAMI passed [39] | SphygmoCor (8 studies: 5 PWV, 2 CAP, 6 AIx) [40–46] Complior (6 studies: 6 PWV) [41–43, 47, 48] Pulsepen (1 study: 1 PWV, 1 AIx) [49] Echotracking (1 study: 1 PWV) [48] Intra-arterial (4 studies: 1 PWV, 2 CAP, 1 AIx) [48, 50, 51] | + (76 publications in Medline, but only 1 study performed over the 24 h) |

Twenty-Four-Hour Ambulatory Pulse Wave Analysis
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Accuracy of 24h pulse wave analysis

- In most studies, measurements of PWV, CAP, and Alx were in accordance with the reference standard.
- Cuff-based method seems to be the most promising technique, given the fact that it is affordable, convenient, and easy-to-use.
- Oscillometric devices with autocalibration function can estimate central SBP with a very high degree of accuracy [test-reference difference and 95 % confidence interval: -0.77 (-3.27 , 1.73) mmHg].
- All studies were performed in resting conditions.

24시간 동맥경화도 측정의 정확도

- Comparing the Mobil-O-Graph with the gold standard SphygmoCor, mean difference in estimated aortic SBP of only 0.1mmHg and a difference in aortic Aix of 1.2%.
- An acceptable accuracy between PWV measured by the Mobil-O-Graph and PWV derived from the invasive intra-aortic catheter measurements
 - Moderately higher PWV values in Mobil-O-Graph

Reproducibility of 24h pulse wave analysis

- Reproducibility of 24-h ambulatory CAP taken at least 1-week apart in 30 consecutive subjects.
 - Acceptable reproducibility of both 24-h CAP (2.6 and 3.2 %) and 24-h brachial BP (2.7 and 3.3 %).
- Highly reproducible PWV and Alx, with average variation coefficients of 1.5 and 11.4 %, respectively, and intraclass correlation coefficients always >0.8 .
- Reproducibility of a new interesting index, the Pulse Time Index of Norm (PTIN)
 - Percentage of a 24-h period during which the PWV does not exceed the 10 m/s threshold
 - Similar during the first and second recording, either in normotensives (86.5 vs. 87.3 %) or in HT pts (57.5 vs. 57.4 %)
 - Excellent intraclass correlation coefficients (0.98 for normotensives and 0.95 for hypertensives)

Clinical studies based on Mobil-O-Graph

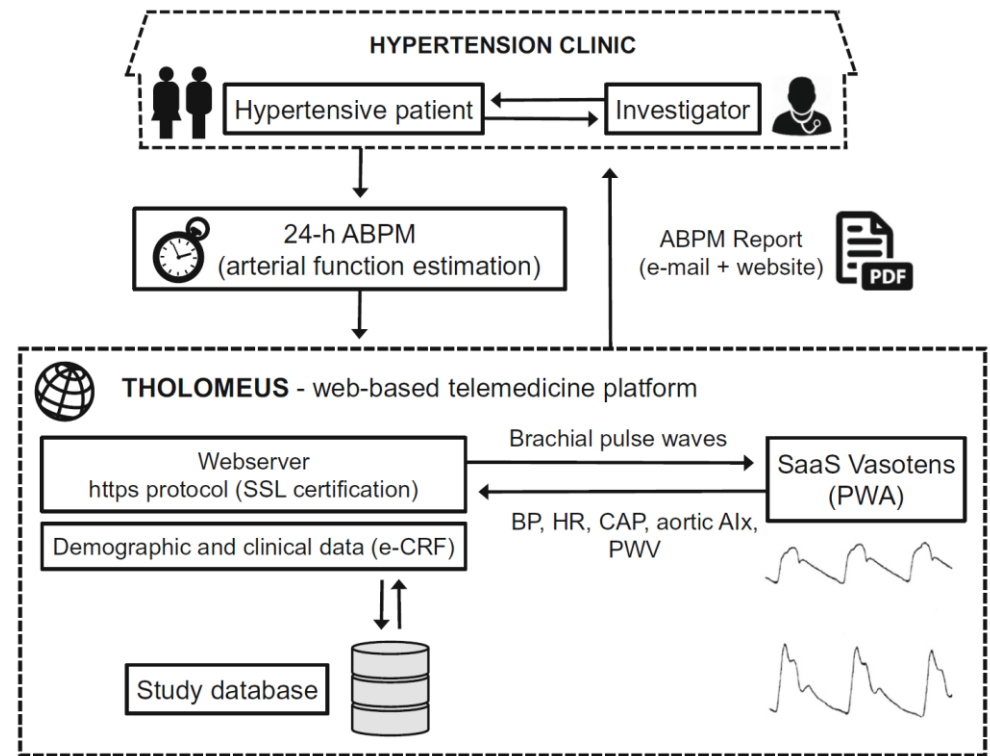
- Significantly lower systolic CAP than peripheral SBP either during the day (124.1 ± 15.7 vs. 133.9 ± 16.3 mmHg) or during the night (114.4 ± 14.5 vs. 121.5 ± 15.2 mmHg).
- Nocturnal fall in systolic CAP was lower than peripheral SBP fall
- 24-h central and brachial SBP were superior to conventional office BP in predicting BP-related cardiac damage (LVH and LV diastolic dysfunction)
- 24-h ambulatory central SBP was also more closely associated with LVH than 24-h brachial SBP ($r = 0.51$ vs. $r = 0.40$).
 - Ambulatory PWV provides additional information to cfPWV regarding the association of arterial stiffness with the retinal vessel calibers.

Novel findings following 24 hour pulse wave analysis

- PWV decreases from day to night (0.7 m/s), whereas Alx increases (2.3 %).
- Ambulatory Alx significantly declined after high-intensity interval training, but not after moderate continuous training.
- Strong relationship of 24-h BP variability with CAP and arterial stiffness, which is largely independent from the average 24-h BP level.
- Good correlation ($r = -0.72$) between PTIN (Pulse Time Index of Norm) and LVMI, indicating that PTIN may represent an interesting marker of end organ damage in hypertension.

Outcome-Based Evidence for 24-h PWA: the VASOTENS Registry

- VASOTENS (Vascular health ASsessment Of The hypertENSive) Registry.
- International, multicenter, observational, non-randomized, prospective study, approximately 2000 subjects referred to 20 hypertension clinics worldwide for routine diagnostic evaluation and follow-up of hypertension of any severity or stage will be recruited.
- Each subject will be submitted every 6 to 12 months to an ABPM performed with a BPLab monitor, with simultaneous assessment of brachial BP, PWV, CAP, and Aix.
- Subjects will be followed up for a minimum of 2 years.



Current advantages of PWA assessment over 24 h

- Easy-to-use (particularly cuff-based techniques)
- Techniques are largely operator-independent
- Evaluation in daily life conditions
- Repeated and prolonged measurement
- Evaluation of the effect of activity vs. sleep
- Evaluation of antihypertensive treatment
- Affordability: in most cases devices are cheaper than those used for monitoring at rest
- Potentially useful for early screening of arterial damage in many conditions (e.g. arterial hypertension, diabetes, at high CV risk, etc.)

Current limitations of PWA assessment over 24 h

- Accuracy
 - Validation studies performed only at rest
 - No standardized validation protocols
 - Lack of non-invasive reference ‘gold’ standard
 - Intra-arterial validation studies not feasible
 - Validation is device-dependent: generalization not possible
- Possible artifacts due to the dynamic conditions
- Limited information on reproducibility in ambulatory conditions
 - No reference values in ambulatory conditions
- Lack of outcome-based validation (no long-term prospective data)
- Limited clinical evidence

요약 및 결론

- 24-h PWA appears to be a potentially promising tool for evaluating vascular function, structure, and damage in daily life conditions and promoting early screening in subjects at risk.
- 24시간 동맥경화도 측정계의 경우 Gold standard 동맥경화도 측정계와 비교해 acceptable한 정확도를 보인다.
- Accuracy and quality of the evidence collected so far seems to be strongly device-dependent and results could not be considered interchangeable between devices.
- Long-term follow-up (outcome) studies, such as the VASOTENS Registry, are needed to show the predictive value of the parameters provided by the various devices and to answer the many technical and clinical questions still open.