

Arterial stiffness in cardiovascular disease

Recently, there is a growing interest in arterial stiffness in the filed of cardiovascular disease. Information of arterial stiffness is important because it can predict future cardiovascular events independently of blood pressure and other traditional cardiovascular risk factors. The measures of arterial stiffness is associated with cardiovascular events and mortality in various group of patients as well as general population. Also, information of arterial stiffness is necessary to underlying pathophysiology of certain cardiac conditions. The concept of arterial stiffness is necessary to understad elderly hypertension and heart failure with preserved ejection fraction (HFpEF). We can measure arterial stiffness using several different methods such as pulse wave velocity (PWV), augmentation index and pulse pressure. I hope to receive many review papers on the diagnostic and prognostic value of arterial stiffness in the field of cardiovascular disease. This review will be useful in many clinicians and researchers.

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Message from the Editor-in-Chief

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