



FIGURE 1. Systems analysis diagram for regulation of the circulation. Units are the following: volume in liters; mass in grams; time in minutes; chemical units in milliequivalents; pressure in millimeters of mercury; control factors in arbitrary units but in most instances expressed as the ratio to normal—for instance, a value of 1 represents normal. Normal values are given on the lines that represent the respective variables.

The following is a list of the important dependent and independent variables in the analysis (additional variables are present for purposes of calculation but generally have no physiological significance):

AAR—afferent arteriolar resistance
 AHM—antidiuretic hormone multiplier, ratio of normal effect
 AM—aldosterone multiplier, ratio of normal effect
 AMC—aldosterone concentration
 AMM—muscle vascular constriction caused by local tissue control, ratio to resting state
 AMP—effect of arterial pressure on rate of aldosterone secretion
 AMR—effect of sodium to potassium ratio on aldosterone secretion rate
 AMT—time constant of aldosterone accumulation and destruction
 ANC—angiotensin concentration
 ANM—angiotensin multiplier effect on vascular resistance, ratio to normal
 ANP—effect of sodium concentration on rate of angiotensin formation
 ANR—time constant of angiotensin accumulation and destruction
 ANU—nonrenal effect of angiotensin
 AOM—autonomic effect on tissue oxygen utilization
 APD—afferent arteriolar pressure drop
 ARP—intensity of sympathetic effects on renal function
 AVS—vasoconstrictor effect of all types of autoregulation
 ARV—vasoconstrictor effect of rapid autoregulation
 AR2—vasoconstrictor effects of intermediate autoregulation
 AR3—vasoconstrictor effect of long-term autoregulation
 AUV—overall activity of autonomic system, ratio to normal
 AUC—effect of baroreceptors on autoregulation
 AUC—effect of chemoreceptors on autonomic stimulation
 AUN—autonomic stimulation of heart, ratio to normal
 AZK—time constant of baroreceptor adaptation
 AUL—sensitivity of sympathetic control of vascular capacitance
 AUM—sympathetic vasoconstrictor effect on arteries
 AUN—effect of CNS ischemic reflex on autoregulation
 AUV—sensitivity control of autonomic on heart function
 AUY—sensitivity of sympathetic control of veins
 AUZ—overall sensitivity of autonomic control
 AVE—sympathetic vasoconstrictor effect on

veins
 ATK—time constant of rapid autoregulation
 AZK—time constant of intermediate autoregulation
 A3K—time constant of long-term autoregulation
 A4K—time constant for muscle local vascular response to metabolic activity
 BFM—muscle blood flow
 BFN—blood flow in non-muscle, non-renal tissues
 CA—capacitance of systemic arteries
 CCD—concentration gradient across cell membrane
 CDF—concentration of hyaluronic acid in tissue fluids
 CKE—extracellular potassium concentration
 CKI—intracellular potassium concentration
 CNA—extracellular sodium concentration
 CNE—sodium concentration abnormality causing third factor effect
 CPG—concentration of protein in tissue gel
 CPI—concentration of protein in free interstitial fluid
 CPN—concentration of protein in pulmonary fluids
 CPP—plasma protein concentration
 CV—venous capacitance
 DAS—rate of volume increase of systemic arteries
 DFP—rate of increase in pulmonary free fluid
 DHM—rate of cardiac deterioration caused by hypoxia
 DLA—rate of volume increase in pulmonary veins and left atrium
 DLP—rate of formation of plasma protein by liver
 DOB—rate of oxygen delivery to non-muscle cells
 DPA—rate of increase in pulmonary volume
 DPC—rate of loss of plasma proteins through systemic capillaries
 DPI—rate of change of protein in free interstitial fluid
 DPL—rate of systemic lymphatic return of protein
 DPO—rate of loss of plasma protein
 DRA—rate of increase in right atrial volume
 DVS—rate of increase in venous vascular volume
 EVC—exercise activity, ratio to activity at rest
 EXE—exercise effect on autonomic stimulation
 GFM—glomerular filtration rate of undamaged kidney
 GFR—glomerular filtration rate
 GLP—glomerular pressure
 GPD—rate of increase of protein in gel
 GPR—total protein in gel
 HM—hematocrit
 HMD—cardiac depressant effect of hypoxia
 HPL—hypertrophy effect on left ventricle
 HPR—hypertrophy effect on heart, ratio to normal
 HR—heart rate
 ISL—basic left ventricular strength
 HSR—basic strength of right ventricle
 HYL—quantity of hyaluronic acid in tissues
 IFF—interstitial fluid protein
 KCD—rate of change of potassium concentration
 KE—total extracellular fluid potassium
 KED—rate of change of extracellular fluid concentration
 KI—total intracellular potassium concentration
 KID—rate of potassium intake
 KOD—rate of renal loss of potassium
 LYM—effect of aortic pressure on left ventricular output
 MMO—rate of oxygen utilization by muscle cells

MO2—rate of oxygen utilization by non-muscle cells
 NAE—total extracellular sodium
 NED—rate of change of sodium in intracellular fluids
 NID—rate of sodium intake
 NOD—rate of renal excretion of sodium
 OAM—muscle oxygen utilization at rest
 OSA—oxygen saturation
 OSV—non-muscle venous oxygen saturation
 OVA—oxygen volume in aortic blood
 OVS—muscle venous oxygen saturation
 OVM—muscle oxygen utilization in non-muscle body tissues
 PA—aortic pressure
 PAM—effect of arterial pressure in distending arteries, ratio to normal
 PCD—ret. pressure gradient across capillary membrane
 PCP—pulmonary capillary pressure
 PDD—rate of change of protein in pulmonary fluids
 PFI—pulmonary interstitial fluid pressure
 PFL—rate of pulmonary capillary protein loss
 PPO—pulmonary lymph protein flow
 PPR—total protein in pulmonary fluids
 PRA—right atrial pressure
 PRM—pressure caused by compression of interstitial fluid gel
 PRP—total plasma protein
 PTC—interstitial fluid colloid osmotic pressure
 PTT—total tissue pressure
 PTV—pressure from veins to right atrium
 PVG—venous pressure gradient
 PVS—muscle venous pressure
 PWS—average venous pressure
 QAO—blood flow in the systemic arterial system
 QLN—left ventricular output
 QLO—output of left ventricle
 PLF—pulmonary lymphatic flow
 PMO—muscle cell P_{O_2}
 FOD—non-muscle venous P_{O_2} minus normal value
 POK—sensitivity of rapid system of autoregulation
 PON—sensitivity of intermediate autoregulation
 POS—pulmonary interstitial fluid colloid osmotic pressure
 POT—non-muscle cell P_{O_2}
 POV—non-muscle venous P_{O_2}
 POY—sensitivity of red cell production
 POZ—sensitivity of long-term autoregulation
 PPD—oxygen deficit factor causing red cell production
 PPA—pulmonary arterial pressure
 PPD—plasma colloid osmotic pressure
 PPD—rate of change of protein in pulmonary fluids
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 QO2—non-muscle total cellular oxygen
 QPO—rate of blood flow if kidney is not damaged
 VB—blood volume
 QRF—feedback effect of left ventricular function on right ventricular function
 VGE—volume of interstitial fluid gel
 VGD—rate of change of tissue gel volumes
 VIB—blood viscosity, ratio to that of water
 QVO—rate of blood flow from veins into right atrium
 VVD—rate of fluid transfer between interstitial fluid and cells
 RAM—basic vascular resistance of muscles
 RAR—basic resistance of non-muscular and non-renal arteries
 RBF—renal blood flow
 RCI—red cell production rate
 RCD—rate of red cell destruction rate
 RCD—rate of change of red cell mass
 REK—percent of normal renal function
 REN—renal flow if kidney is not damaged
 RKC—rate factor for red cell destruction
 RMO—rate of oxygen transport to muscle cells
 RPA—pulmonary arterial resistance
 RPA—pulmonary vascular resistance
 RPI—pulmonary venous resistance
 RR—renal resistance
 RSM—vascular resistance in muscles
 RSN—vascular resistance in non-muscle, non-renal tissues
 RVS—resistance from veins to right atrium
 RVM—depressing effect on right ventricle of pulmonary arterial pressure
 RVS—venous resistance
 SR—intensity factor for stress relaxation
 SRK—time constant for stress relaxation
 STH—effect of tissue hypoxia on salt and water intake
 SVO—stroke volume output

TRR—tubular reabsorption rate
 TVD—rate of drinking
 VAS—volume in systemic arteries
 VB—blood volume
 VEC—extracellular fluid volume
 VGE—volume of interstitial fluid gel
 VGD—rate of change of tissue gel volumes
 VIB—blood viscosity, ratio to that of water
 VVC—cell volume
 VVD—rate of fluid transfer between interstitial fluid and cells
 VTE—portion of blood viscosity caused by red blood cells
 VIF—volume of free interstitial fluid
 VIM—blood viscosity (ratio to normal blood)
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