# Haemodynamics and capillary filtration

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### Types of pores:

In some organs the pores in the capillaries have special characteristics .

1- In *Brain* the junctions between the capillary endothelial cells are tight junctions allowing only very small molecules to pass into brain cells, e.g oxygen CO2, glucose and water

2- In *liver* the clefts between the endothelial cells are wide open to allow almost all plasma components to pass including large molecular weight proteins

3- In *Kidney* the glomerular tufts have large number of oval like windows called "*fenestrae*" which penetrate all through the endothelial wall which allows all components of plasma to filter out except large molecular weight proteins (albumin) and blood elements (blood white and red cells)



Diffusion of fluid molecules and dissolved substances between the capillary and interstitial fluid spaces.



Fluid pressure and colloid osmotic pressure forces operate at the capillary membrane, tending to move fluid either outward or inward through the membrane pores.





### Forces at arteriolar end of capillary





• Inward pressure  $\pi_{\rm P}$  25

Net outward pressure of 11 mm Hg = Ultrafiltration pressure

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All values are given in mm Hg.

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Fig. 10-<mark>1</mark>8 (le<mark>ft), p. 294</mark>

### Forces at venular end of capillary

Outward pressure

 $P_{C} = \frac{17}{\pi_{IF}}$   $\frac{0}{17}$ • Inward pressure  $\frac{\pi_{P}}{\pi_{IF}} = \frac{25}{26}$   $P_{IF} = \frac{1}{26}$ 

Net inward pressure of 9 mm Hg = Reabsorption pressure





Fig. 10-1, p. 276



Fig. 10-11, p. 286

### **Determinants of Blood Flow**



- Blood flow is determined by pressure gradient and peripheral resistance, therefore:  $F = \frac{(P_A P_V)}{R}$
- Arterioles play a major role in blood distribution & control of BP.
- Arteriolar smooth muscles determine the resistance to blood flow to the tissues it supplies.



Fig. 10-10, p. 285





Fig. 10-3b, p. 278





A, Demonstration of the effect of vessel diameter on blood flow. B, Concentric rings of blood flowing at different velocities; the farther away from the vessel wall, the faster the flow.







- Since **R**esistance  $\alpha$  1/r4 (radius to power 4)...r = radius
- R inversely proportional to r4
- Therefore  $\mathbf{F} = \Delta \mathbf{P} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{r4}$
- Hence: If the radius is doubled the flow will increase by 16 times

# The relationship between velocity, flow and cross sectional area

V = velocity cm/sec, Q = flow ml/sec, A = cross sectional area

v = Q/A





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#### Vasodilation

(decreased contraction of circular smooth muscle in the arteriolar wall, which leads to decreased resistance and increased flow through the vessel)



Caused by:

- ↓ Myogenic activity
- $\downarrow$  Oxygen (O<sub>2</sub>)
- † Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)
  - and other metabolites
- † Nitric oxide
- ↓ Sympathetic stimulation Histamine release Heat

#### Vasoconstriction

(increased contraction of circular smooth muscle in the arteriolar wall, which leads to increased resistance and decreased flow through the vessel)



Caused by:

- † Myogenic activity
- $\uparrow$  Oxygen (O<sub>2</sub>)
- + Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)
  - and other metabolites
- † Endothelin
- † Sympathetic stimulation Vasopressin; angiotensin II Cold

### **Neural Regulation**



# **End of lecture**

#### **Electro-magnetic flow meter - doppler**

#### to measure blood flow in blood vessels



### **Control of blood flow**



#### Local (intrinsic) control

- Myogenic response.
- Metabolic response.
- Endothelial response.
- Humoral mechanisms.

#### **Extrinsic control**

- Neural mechanisms.
- Humoral mechanisms

#### Blood flow to capillaries is controlled by caliber of arterioles.

### In kidney

