

# Physiopathologie du Syndrome Hépatorénal

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# Plan

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Introduction

Physiopathologie du SHR

- ✓ Modifications hémodynamiques
  - ✓ Vasodilatation splanchnique
  - ✓ Rôle du NO
- ✓ Dysfonction cardiaque
- ✓ Rôle de l'albumine
- ✓ Éléments déclenchants

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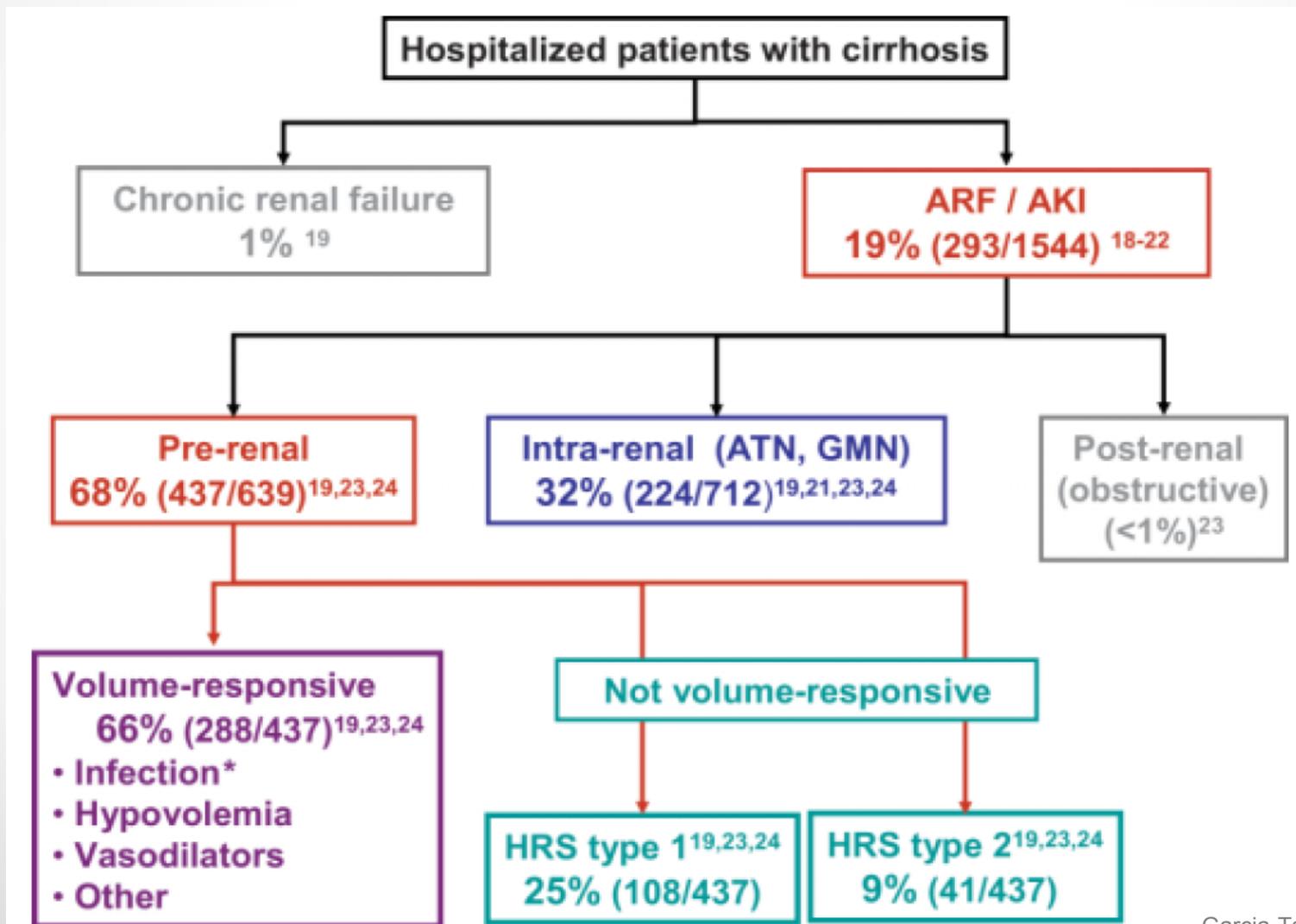


# Insuffisance rénale et cirrhose

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- ✓ La dysfonction rénale est un facteur pronostic majeur dans la cirrhose (MELD score)
- ✓ Insuffisance rénale survient chez 75% des cirrhotiques durant l'évolution de la maladie hépatique
- ✓ Certaines atteintes rénales sont liées spécifiquement à la maladie hépatique:
  - glomérulonéphrite sur HBV, HCV, cryoglobuline, IgA, SHR type 2

# Insuffisance rénale aiguë





# Définition SHR

## New diagnostic hepatorenal syndrome criteria in cirrhosis

- ▶ Cirrhosis with ascites.
- ▶ Serum creatinine  $> 133 \mu\text{mol/l}$  (1.5 mg/dl).
- ▶ No improvement of serum creatinine (decrease to a level of  $\leq 133 \mu\text{mol/l}$ ) after at least 2 days with diuretic withdrawal and volume expansion with albumin. The recommended dose of albumin is 1 g/kg of body weight per day up to a maximum of 100 g/day.
- ▶ Absence of shock.
- ▶ No current or recent treatment with nephrotoxic drugs.
- ▶ Absence of parenchymal kidney disease as indicated by proteinuria  $> 500 \text{ mg/day}$ , microhaematuria ( $> 50$  red blood cells per high power field) and/or abnormal renal ultrasonography.



# Pathophysiologie du SHR

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### **TRANSPLANTATION OF CADAVERIC KIDNEYS FROM PATIENTS WITH HEPATORENAL SYNDROME\***

#### **Evidence for the Functional Nature of Renal Failure in Advanced Liver Disease**

MARCELO H. KOPPEL, M.D., JACK W. COBURN, M.D., MATLOCK M. MIMS, M.D.,  
HOWARD GOLDSTEIN, M.D., JAMES D. BOYLE, M.D., AND MILTON E. RUBINI, M.D.

**Abstract** A kidney from each of five patients and both kidneys from a sixth patient dying with the hepatorenal syndrome (severe hepatic failure, oliguria, azotemia, hyponatremia and a urinary sodium of less than 5 mEq per day) were transplanted into seven patients with end-stage kidney disease whose liver function was normal. Diuresis and improvement of

renal function occurred in all but one recipient. Because of postoperative complications, two kidneys were removed after diuresis had occurred. Four transplanted kidneys achieved stable function for six months or longer, with creatinine clearances of 25, 42, 50 and 52 ml per minute. The hepatorenal syndrome is functional and potentially reversible.

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## RECOVERY FROM "HEPATORENAL SYNDROME" AFTER ORTHOTOPIC LIVER TRANSPLANTATION

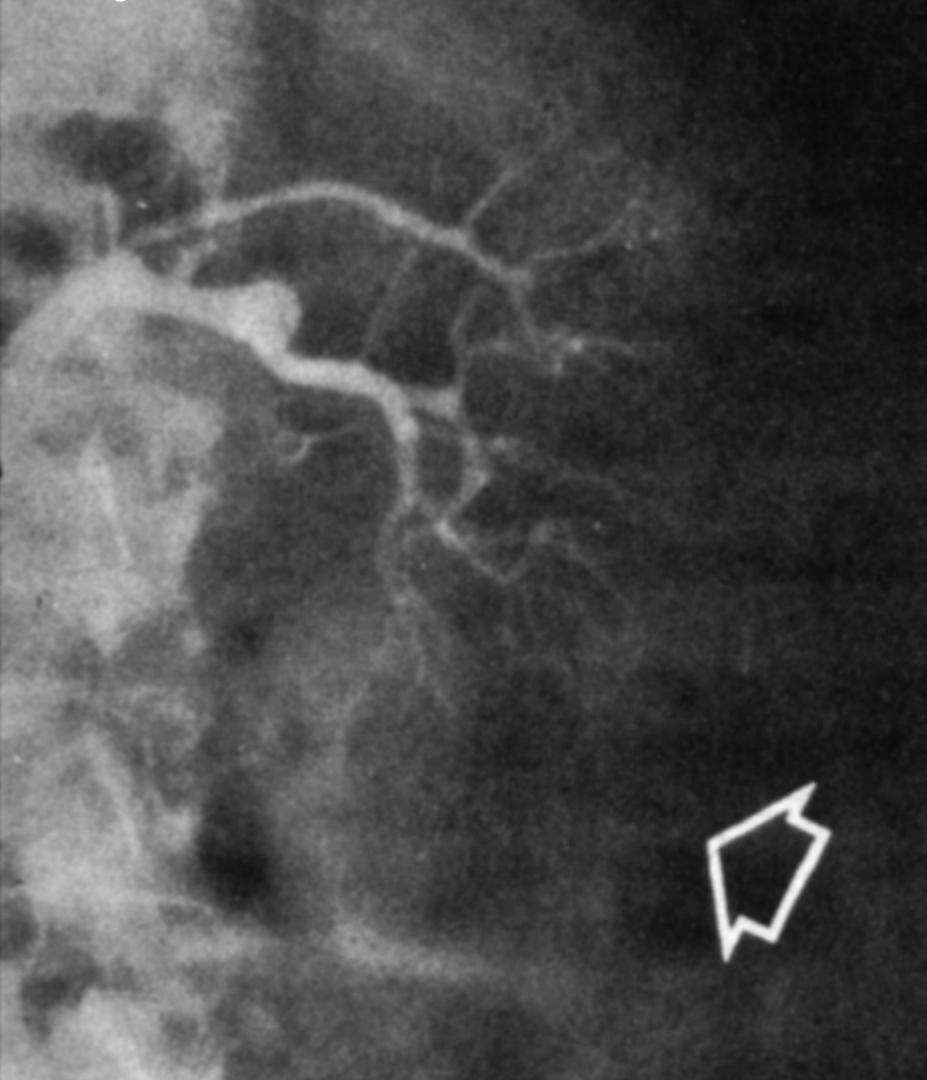
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THOMAS E. STARZL, M.D., PH.D.

**Abstract** Three patients with progressive renal failure and advanced hepatic insufficiency due to cirrhosis of the liver underwent orthotopic liver transplantation. All three patients had immediate improvement in hepatic function and within two weeks after liver replacement regained nearly normal kidney function. However, the

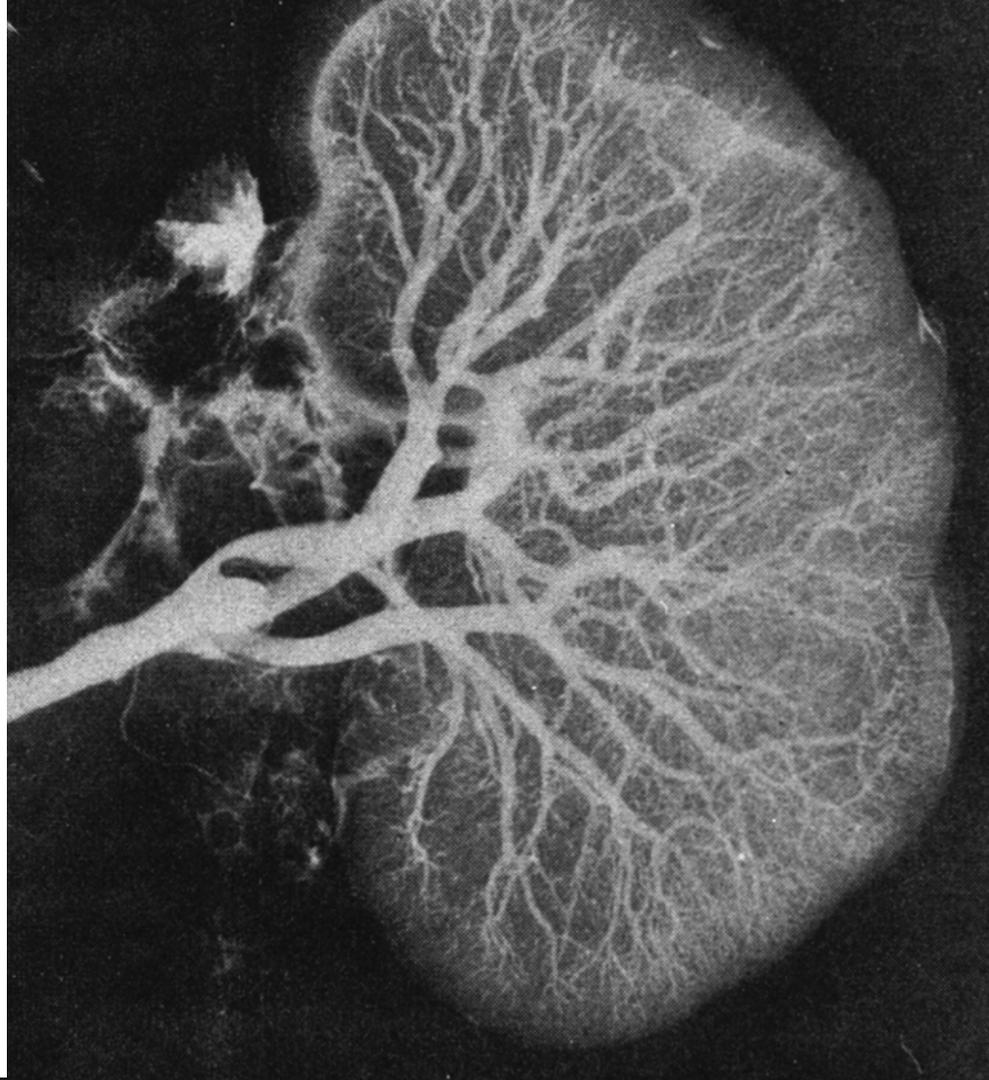
renal recovery was delayed in each case, and its course was not uniform. Plasma renin activity was high, and renin substrate was low before transplantation in one case in which these measurements were obtained; both returned to normal soon after liver replacement. (N Engl J Med 289:1155-1159, 1973)

**Atteinte rénale fonctionnelle et réversible**

Injection de xenon



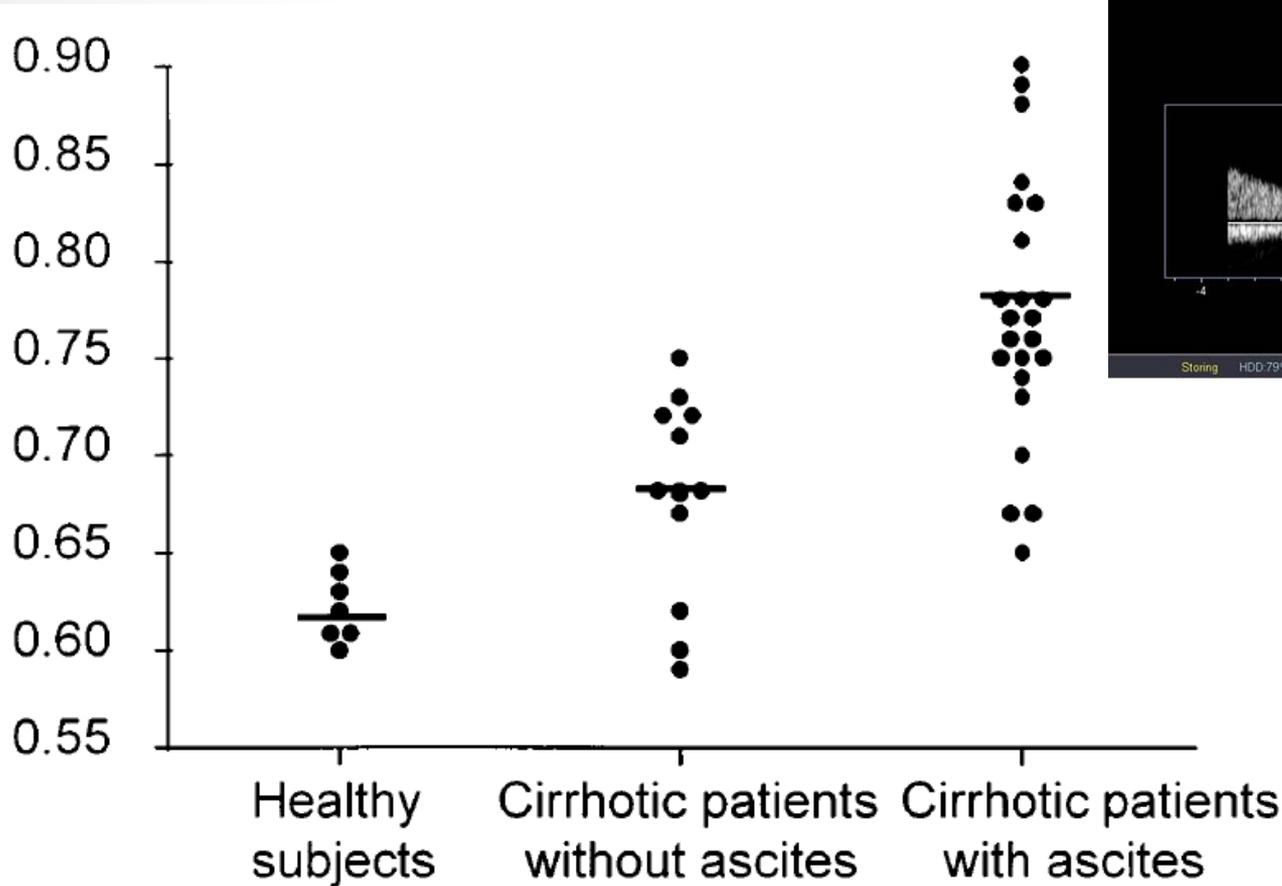
Post-mortem



**Vasoconstriction rénale**

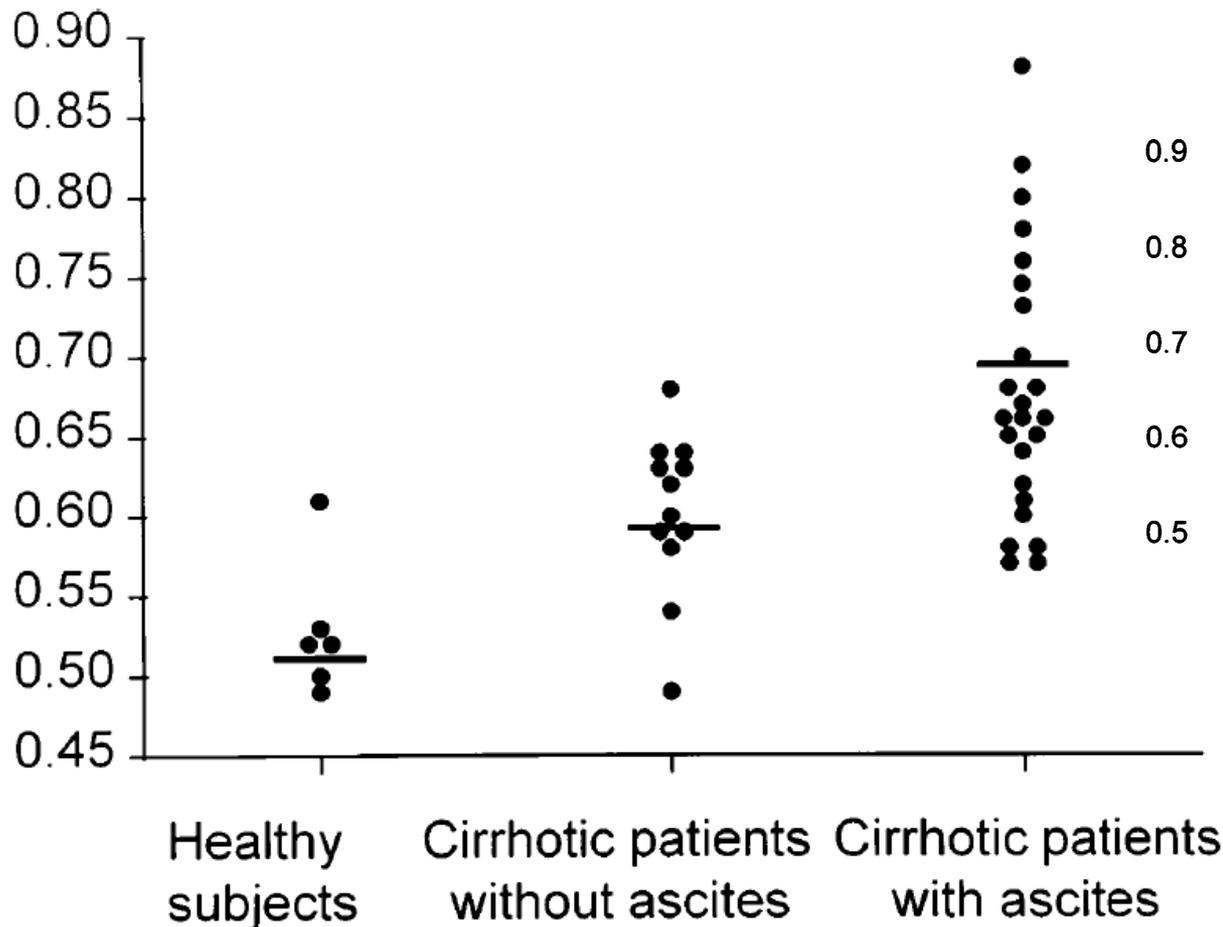
# Vasoconstriction rénale

IR rénaux ↑ selon stade de la cirrhose

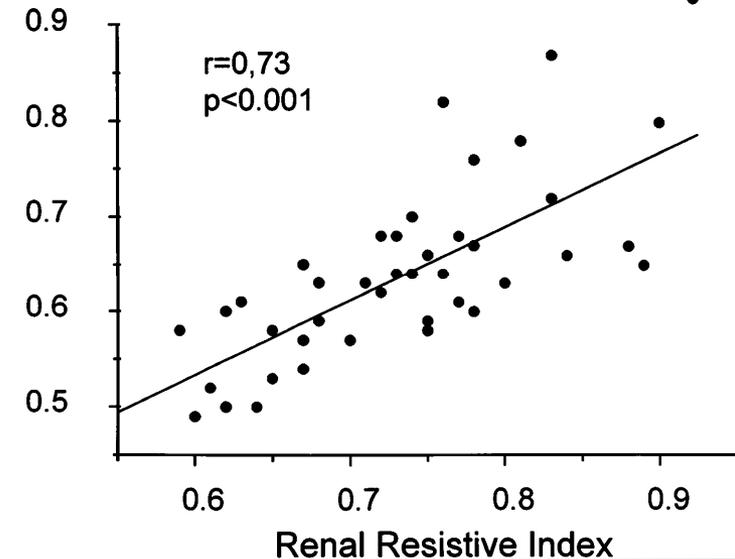


# Vasoconstriction cérébrale

Index de résistance a. cérébrale moy ↑ selon stade de la cirrhose



Corré à IR rénal



# SHR: atteinte multi-organique

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Avec le SHR on note une défaillance multi-organique:

- ✓ le foie → insuffisance hépatique sévère
- ✓ le rein → insuffisance rénale aigüe sévère
- ✓ le cerveau → encéphalopathie
- ✓ le système vasculaire → hypotension artérielle
- ✓ le cœur → cardiomyopathie
- ✓ les surrénales → insuffisance surrénalienne?

Explication hémodynamique à tout cela?

# ✓ Modifications hémodynamiques

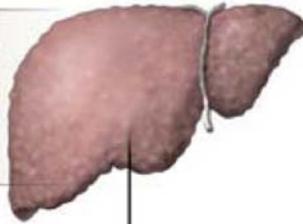
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- ↑ résistance au flux veineux porte et hypertension portale
- Etat hyperdynamique:
  - Augmentation débit cardiaque
  - Baisse de la pression artérielle moyenne
  - Baisse de la résistance périphérique totale
- Vasoconstriction dans les territoires cutanées, cérébraux, musculaires, foie, rein.

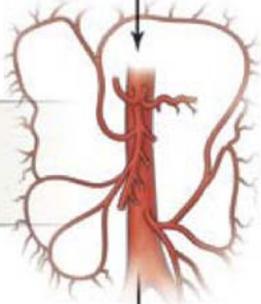
**→ vasoconstriction systémique**

## Compensated Cirrhosis

Increased intrahepatic vascular resistance  
Moderate portal hypertension



Splanchnic arterial vasodilatation



Low effective arterial blood volume



Increased cardiac output

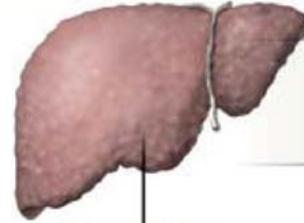


Increased plasma volume

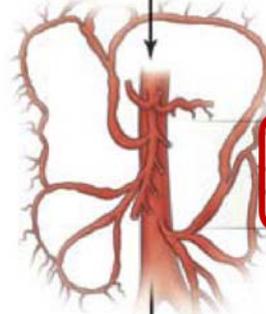
Restoration of effective arterial blood volume

## Decompensated Cirrhosis

Disease progression  
Severe portal hypertension  
Bacterial translocation



Severe splanchnic arterial vasodilatation



Markedly reduced effective arterial blood volume  
Increased cardiac output and plasma volume insufficient to normalize effective arterial blood volume  
Activation of sodium-retaining and vasoconstrictor systems



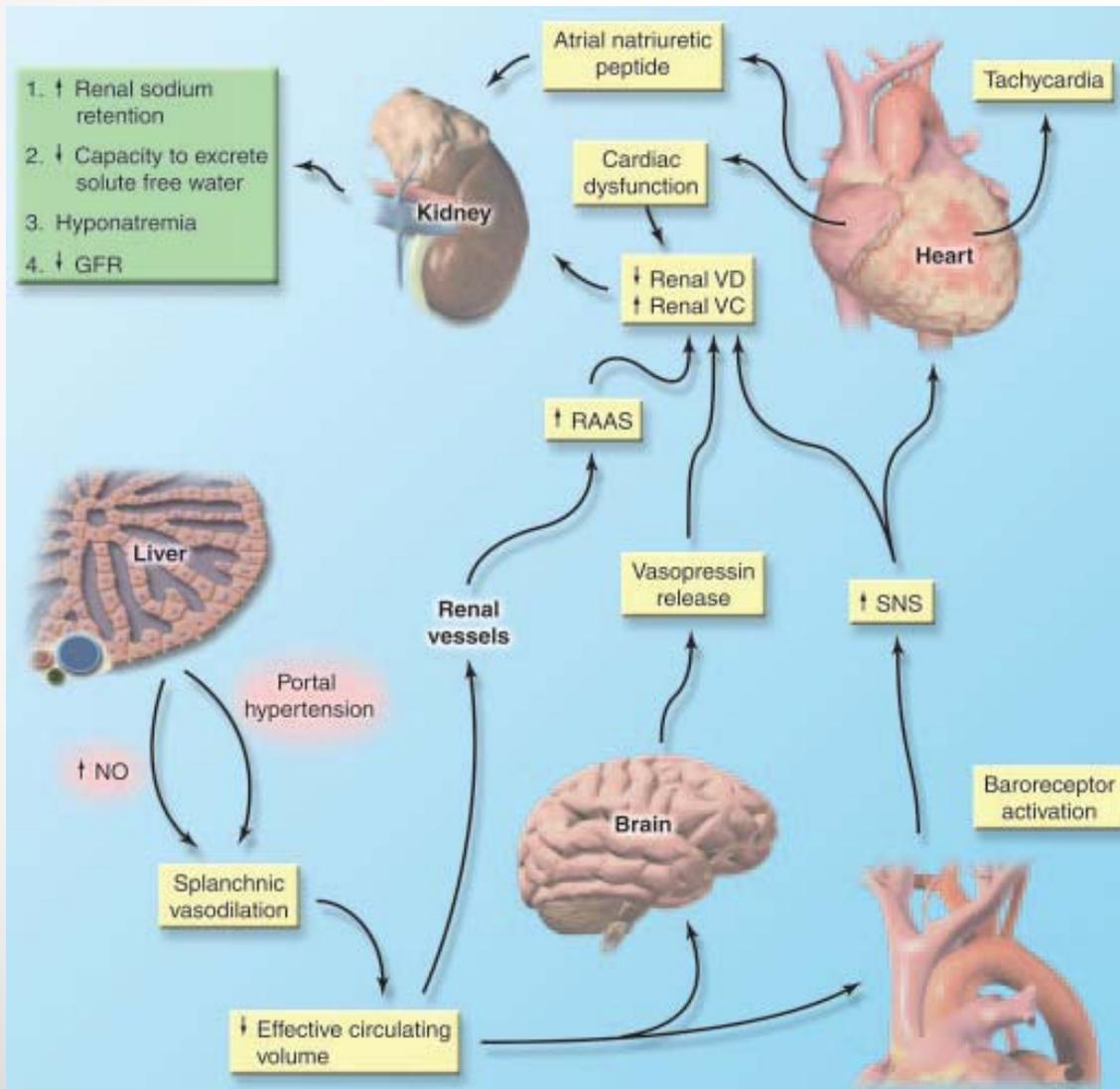
Sodium and water retention and ascites formation



Further activation of vasoconstrictor systems  
Impairment in cardiac output

Renal failure

# Vasodilatation splanchnique



↓ volume circulant



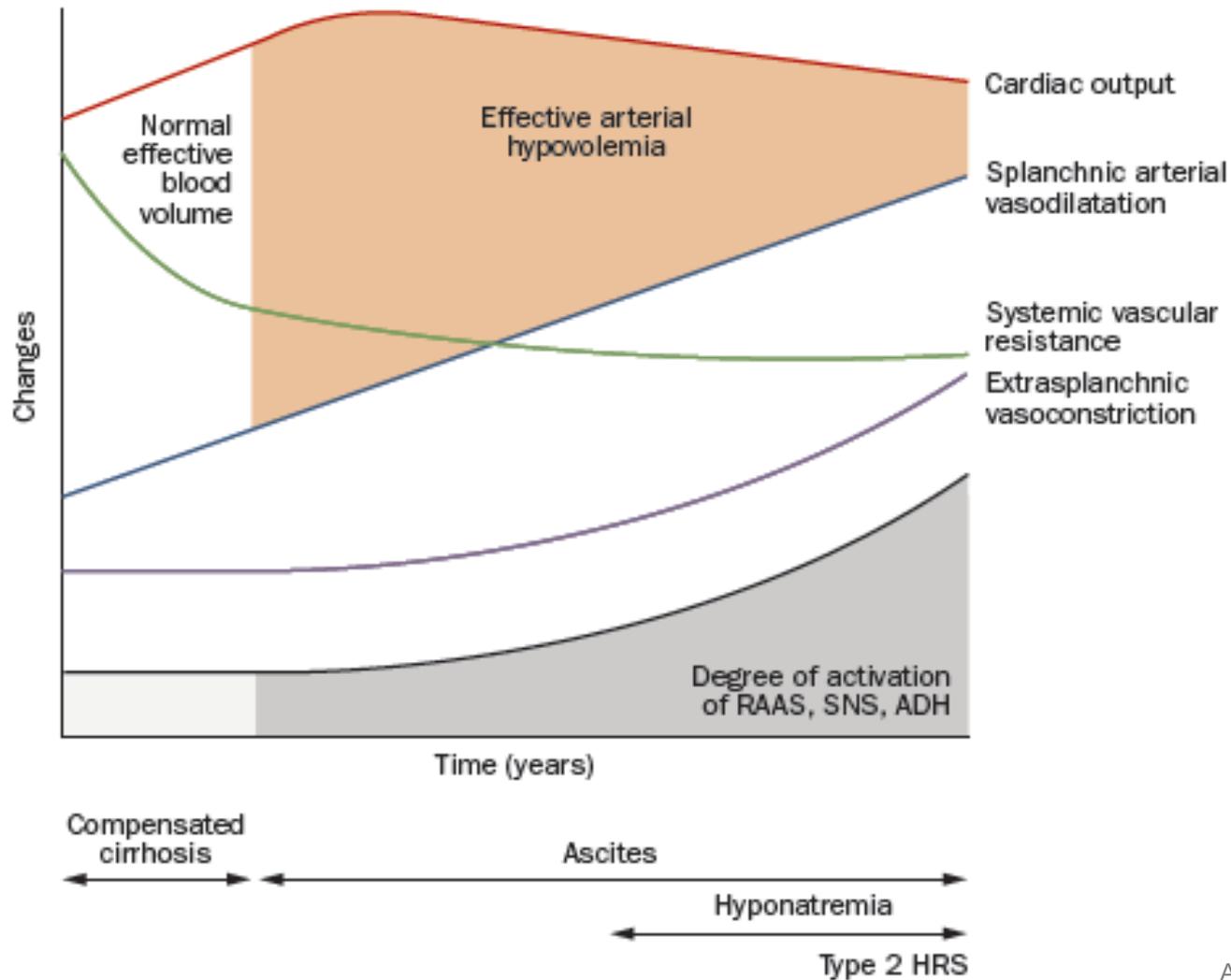
Activation systèmes

- ✓RAA
- ✓ADH
- ✓SNS
- ✓ANP



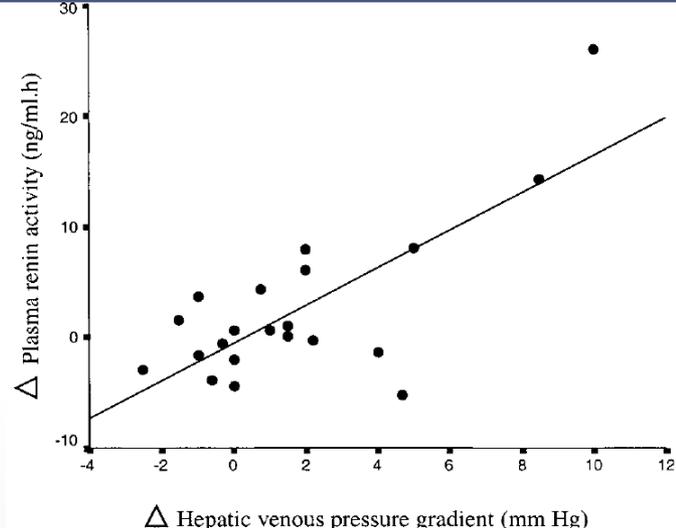
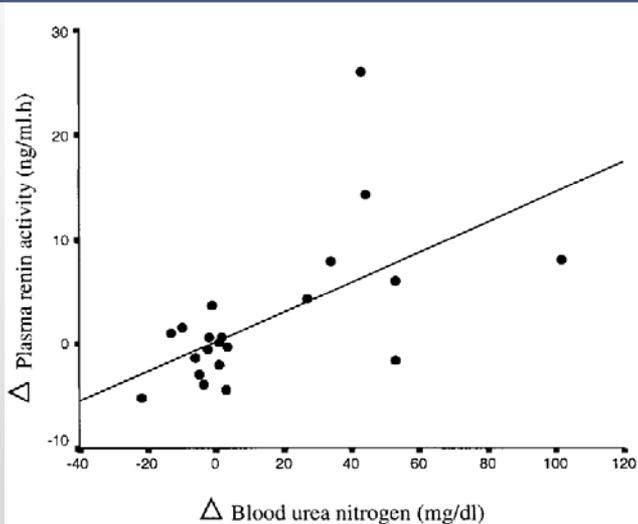
Effets rénaux

# Vasodilatation splanchnique



# Activation rénine dans cirrhose avec IRA

	Renal Failure Group (n = 8)			Group Without Renal Failure (n = 15)		
	At Diagnosis of Infection	Following Resolution of Infection	<i>P</i>	At Diagnosis of Infection	Following Resolution of Infection	<i>P</i>
Hematocrit (%)	32.2 ± 2.7	31.1 ± 1.9	NS	30.0 ± 6.8	30.2 ± 3.7	NS
Serum bilirubin (mg/dL)	5.0 ± 5.0	6.6 ± 7.8	NS	3.6 ± 3.0	3.1 ± 3.2	NS
Serum albumin (g/L)	25.0 ± 2.0	22.4 ± 2.4	NS	27.3 ± 7.0	28.4 ± 6.5	NS
Prothrombin time (%)	57 ± 20	43 ± 14*	<.02	57 ± 16	67 ± 19	NS
Child-Pugh score (points)	10.2 ± 1.2	11.7 ± 1.6*	<.01	9.5 ± 1.5	9.0 ± 1.5	NS
BUN (mg/dL)	37.4 ± 9.5†	81.2 ± 25.2*	<.02	19.0 ± 9.0	15.6 ± 5.5	NS
Serum creatinine (mg/dL)	1.3 ± 0.6	2.5 ± 0.4*	<.02	1.0 ± 0.3	0.9 ± 0.2	NS
Serum sodium (mmol/L)	132 ± 3.2	127 ± 2.2*	NS	135 ± 4.0	136 ± 3.9	NS
PRA (ng/mL · h)	18.4 ± 11.2†	28.3 ± 12.4*	<.02	3.9 ± 3.6	2.8 ± 3.6	NS
Plasma ALDO (ng/dL)	149.5 ± 106.8†	251.7 ± 156.7*	<.02	27.6 ± 10.9	20.0 ± 19.5	NS
Plasma NE (pg/mL)	797.3 ± 226.6†	1290.5 ± 415.3*	<.02	315.7 ± 172.8	317.0 ± 195.3	NS



# SHR: déséquilibre vasodilatation-vasoconstriction ?

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## Vasoconstricteurs

- ✓ RAA
- ✓ SNS
- ✓ AVP
- ✓ Endothélines
- ✓ Adénosine

## Vasodilatateurs

- ✓ Prostaglandines
- ✓ Facteurs natriurétiques
- ✓ NO
- ✓ Glucagon
- ✓ CO
- ✓ Système kinine-kallikréine
- ✓ Endocannabinoïdes



# Vasodilatation splanchnique: facteurs impliqués

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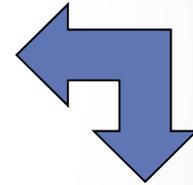
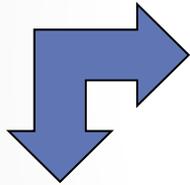
↑ vasodilatateurs circulants - locaux

• **NO**

• Prostacyclines

• Glucagon

• Endocannabinoïdes



Résistance aux vasoconstricteurs endogènes

Réponse excessive aux vasodilatateurs



Vasodilatation artérielle splanchnique

# Rôle du nitride oxyde (NO):

## Evidences expérimentales

Reversal of impaired pressor response to vasoconstrictors in isolated aortic rings or splanchnic vascular preparations by inhibition of nitric oxide synthase<sup>33-36</sup>

Enhanced vasodilator response to nitric oxide–dependent vasodilators<sup>37</sup>

Increased pressor effect of systemic inhibition of nitric oxide synthase<sup>38-41</sup>

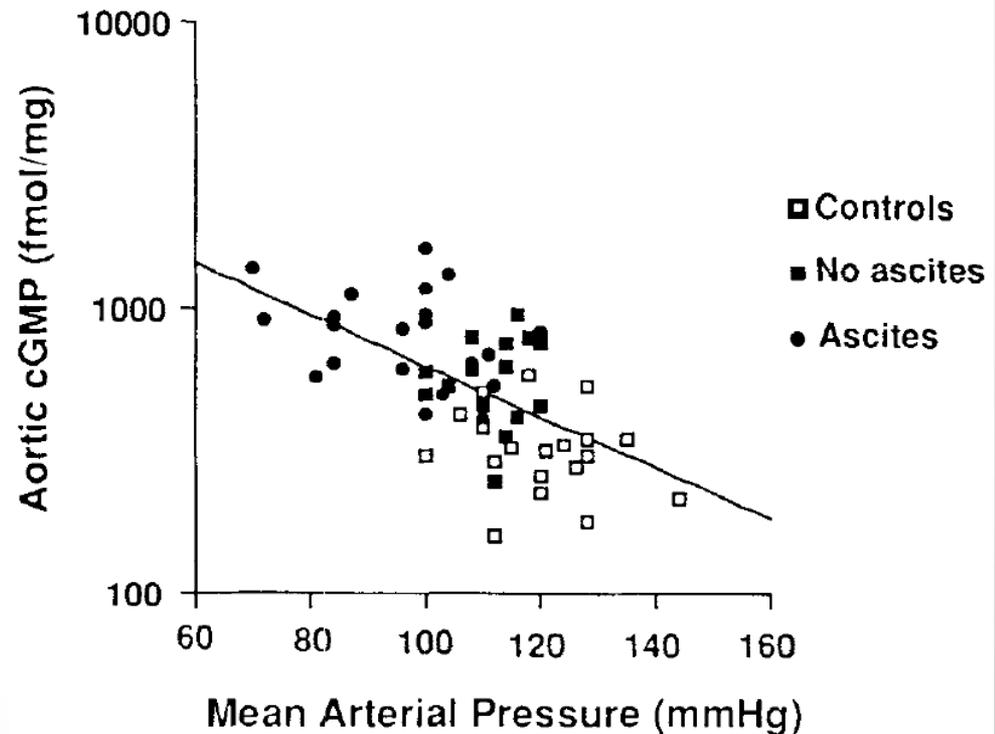
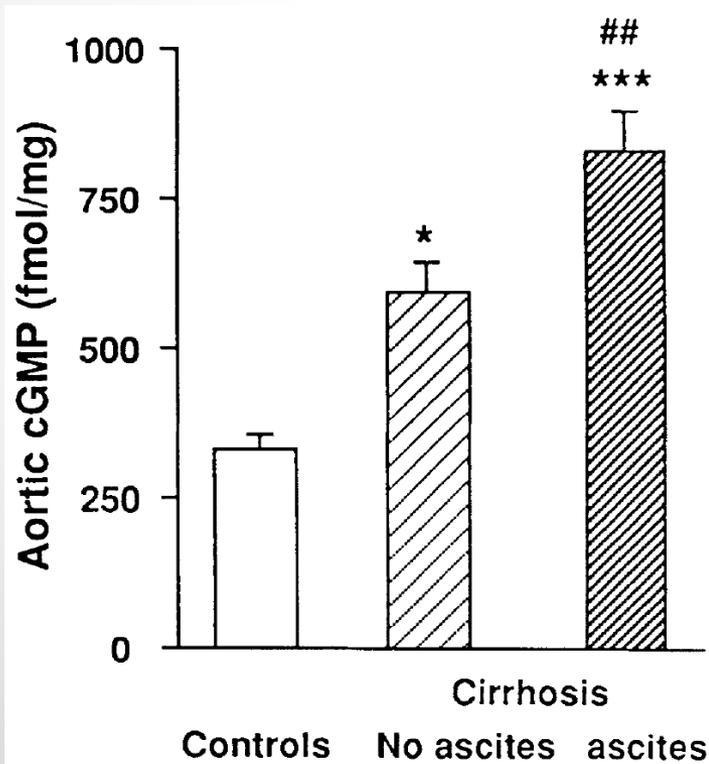
Increased nitric oxide synthesis in vascular tissue<sup>42-46</sup>

Normalization of hyperdynamic circulation by long-term inhibition of nitric oxide synthase<sup>47</sup>

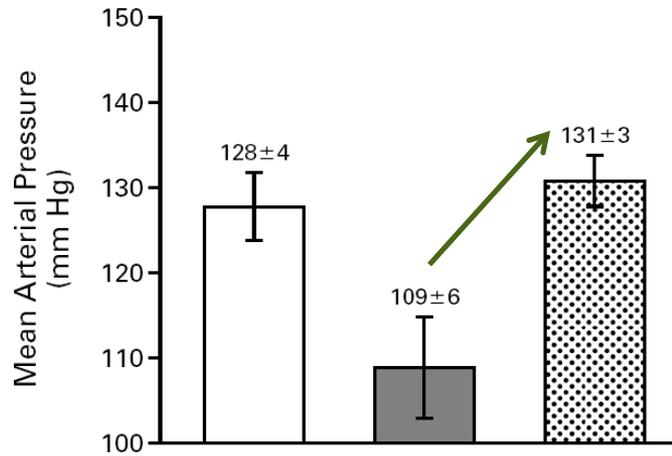
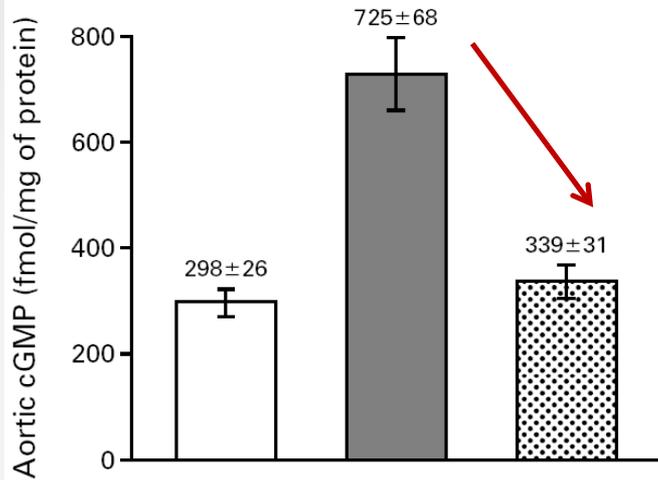
Increased expression of nitric oxide synthase in vascular tissue<sup>45,46,48,49</sup>

# NO et vasodilatation systémique

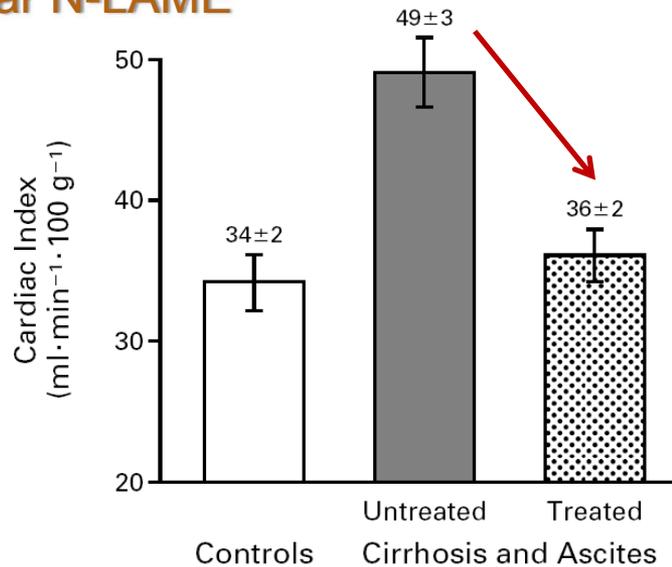
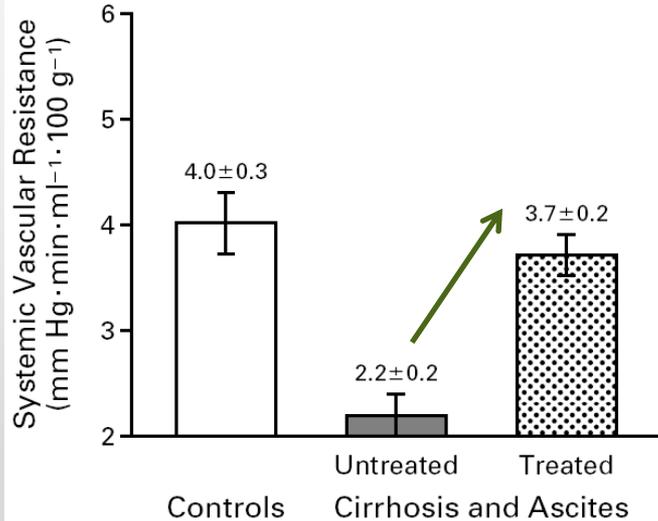
Chez le rat:  $\uparrow$  cGMP (2<sup>ème</sup> messenger NO) dans cirrhose  
corrélation à PAM et vasodilatation systémique



# Inhibition NO réverse vasodilatation

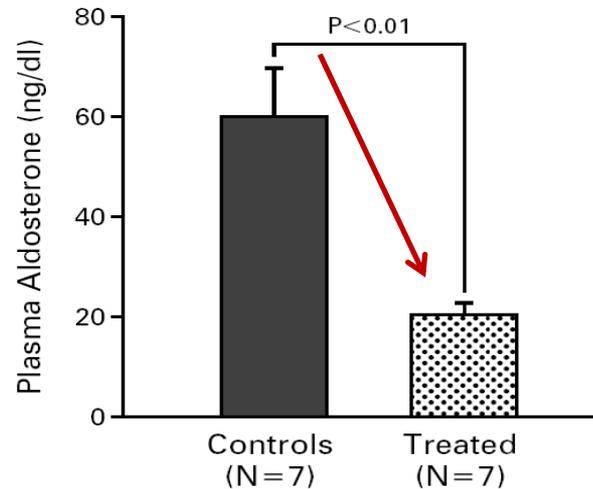
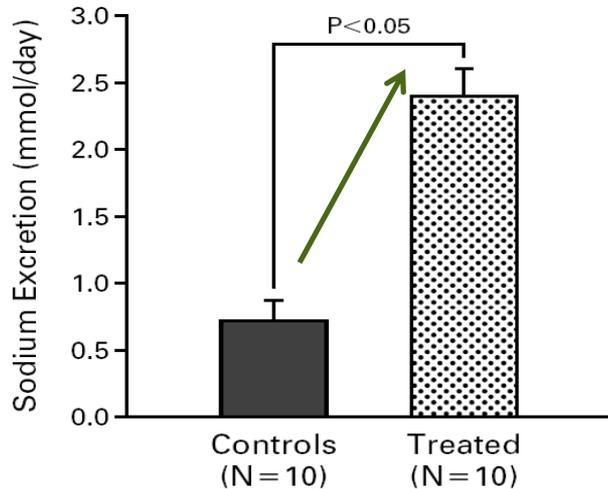


## Inhibition NO synthase par N-LAME

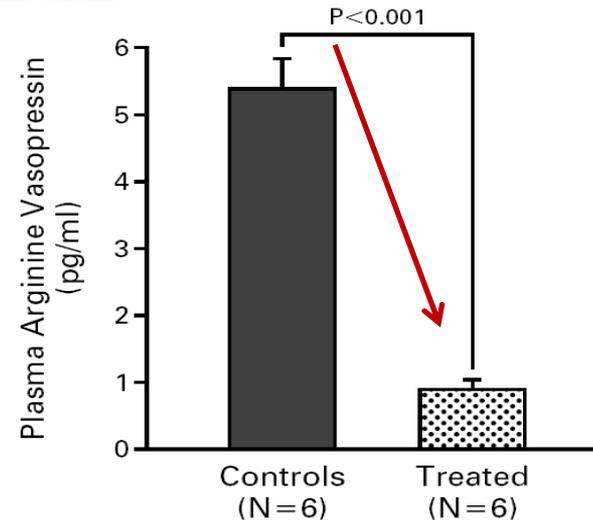
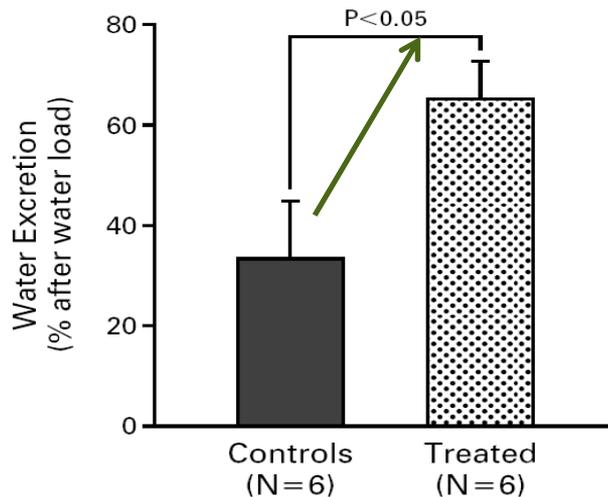


- ↑ PAM
- ↑ R vasculaires syst
- ↓ cGMP
- ↓ Index cardiaque

# Inhibition NO: effet sur le sel et l'eau



## Inhibition NO synthase par N-LAME



- ↑ Excrétion  $\text{Na}_u$
- ↑ Excrétion  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- ↓ Aldostérone
- ↓ ADH

# Rôle du nitride oxyde (NO):

## Evidence chez l'Homme

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Correction of arterial hyporesponsiveness to vasoconstrictors by inhibition of nitric oxide synthase<sup>65</sup>

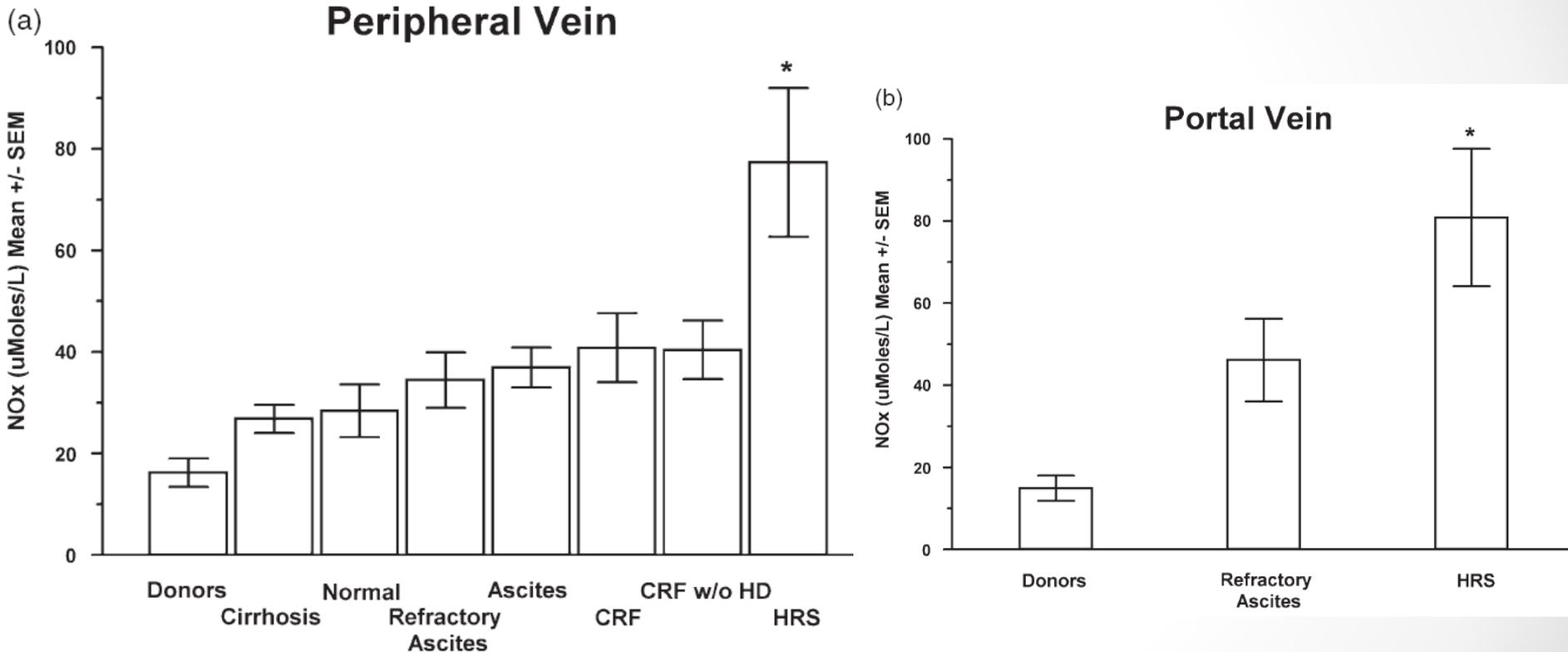
Enhanced vasodilative response to a nitric oxide–dependent vasodilator<sup>66\*</sup>

Increased plasma concentrations of nitric oxide and its metabolites<sup>66-68\*</sup>

Increased nitric oxide in exhaled air<sup>69,70\*</sup>

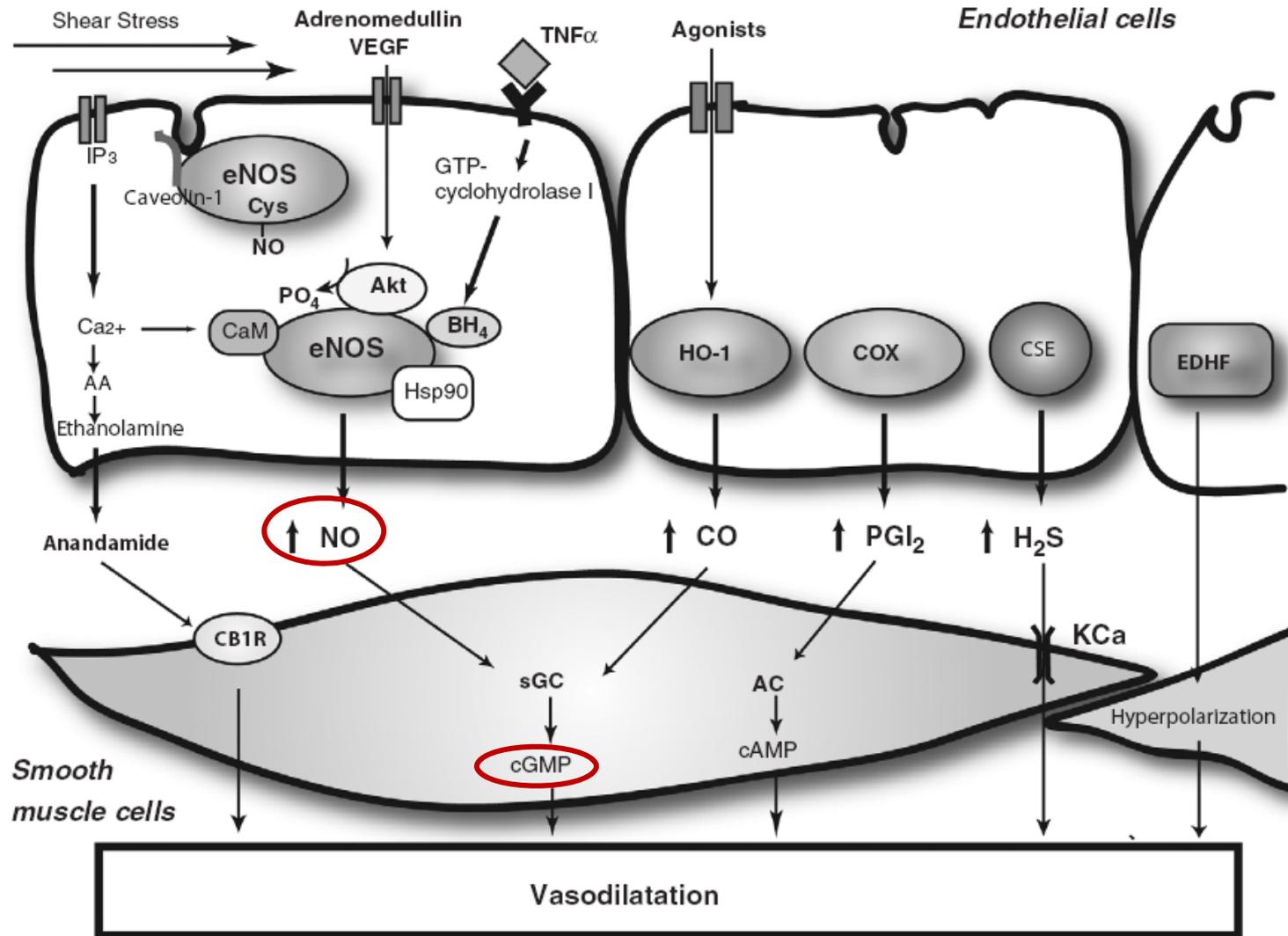
Increased nitric oxide synthase activity in polymorphonuclear cells and monocytes<sup>71,72</sup>

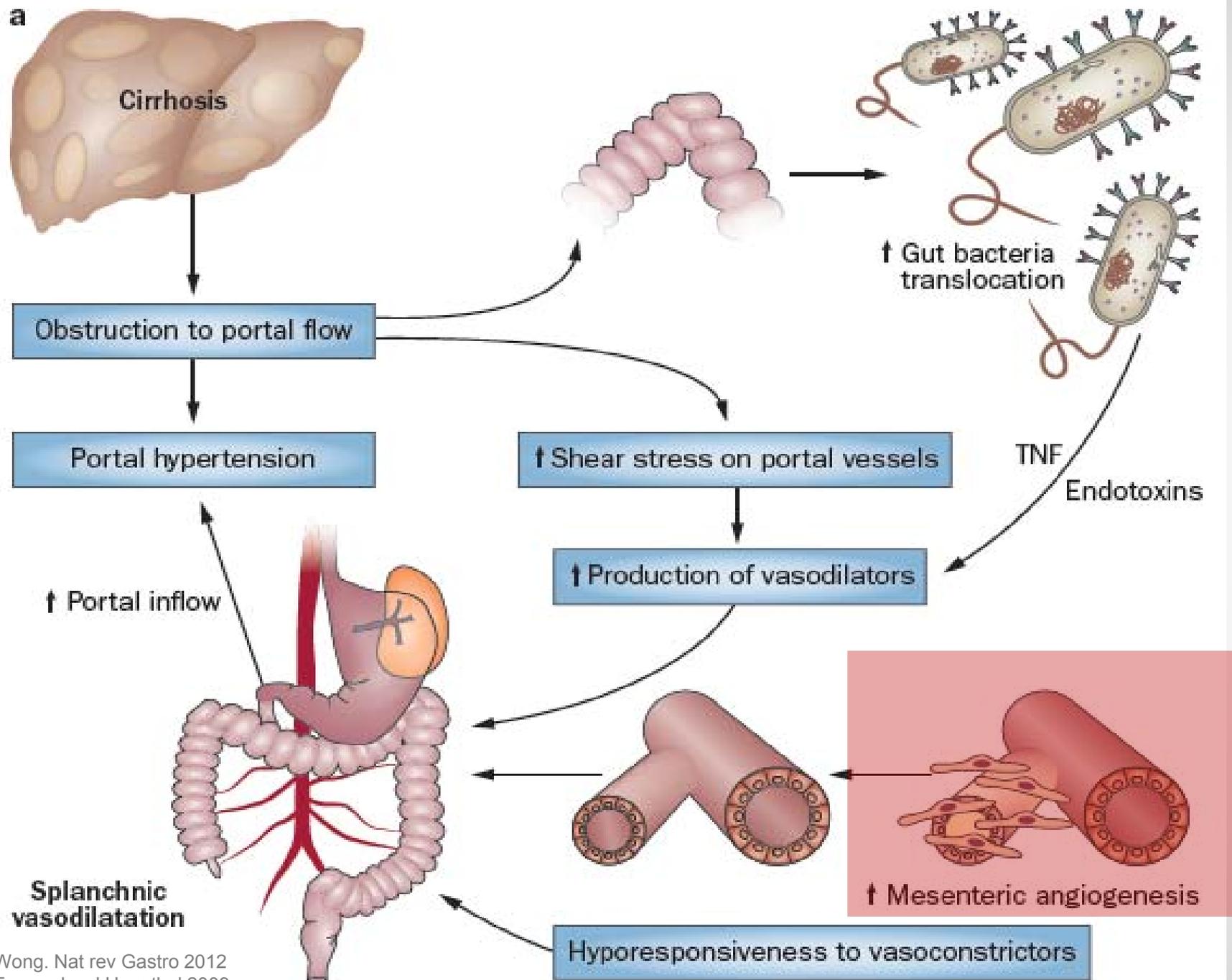
# ↑ NO plasmatique chez l'homme



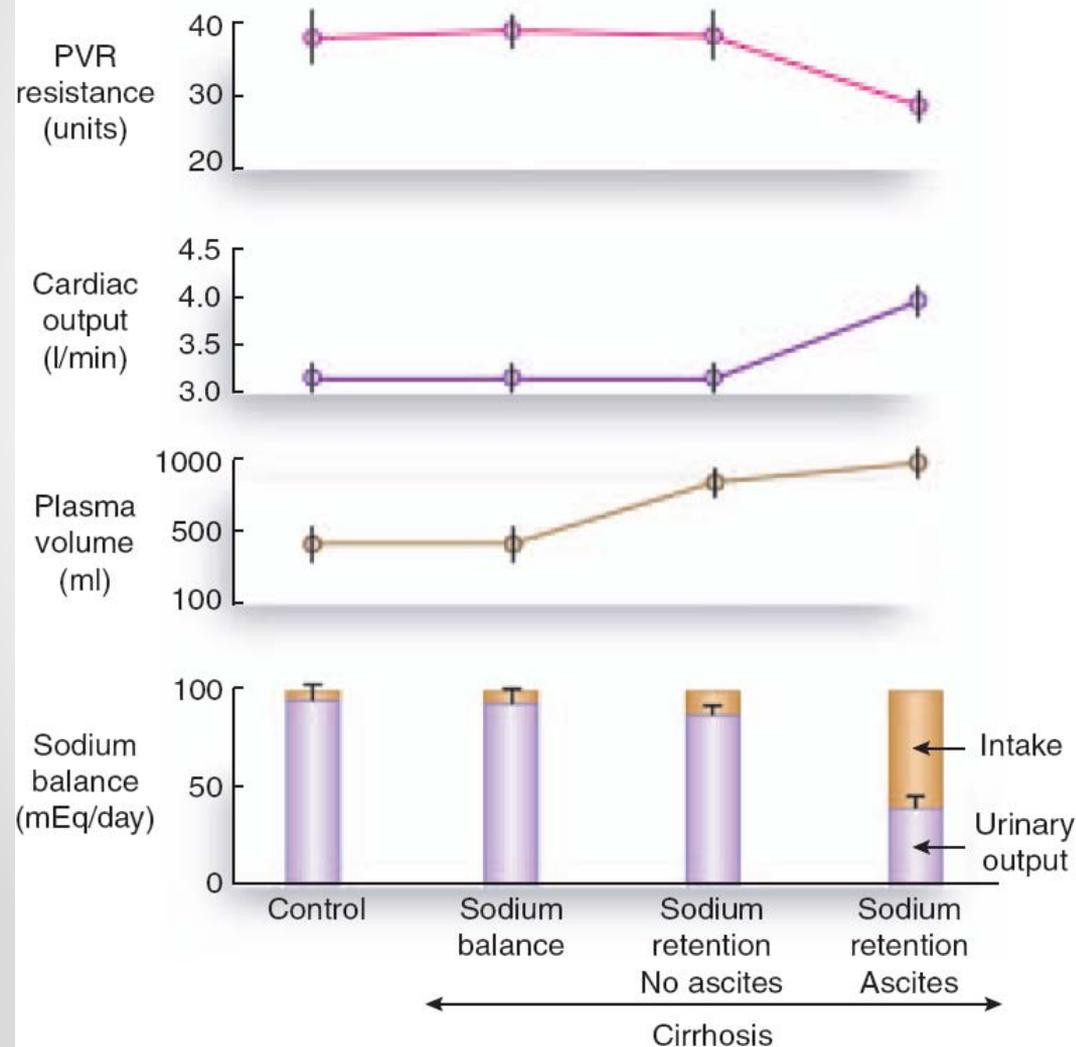
**Increased plasma nitric oxide, L-arginine, and arginase-1 in cirrhotic patients with progressive renal dysfunction**

# Mécanismes vasodilatation





# Vasodilatation et rétention hydrosodée: cause ou conséquence?



Pas de démonstration définitive que la vasodilatation précède clairement la rétention sodée

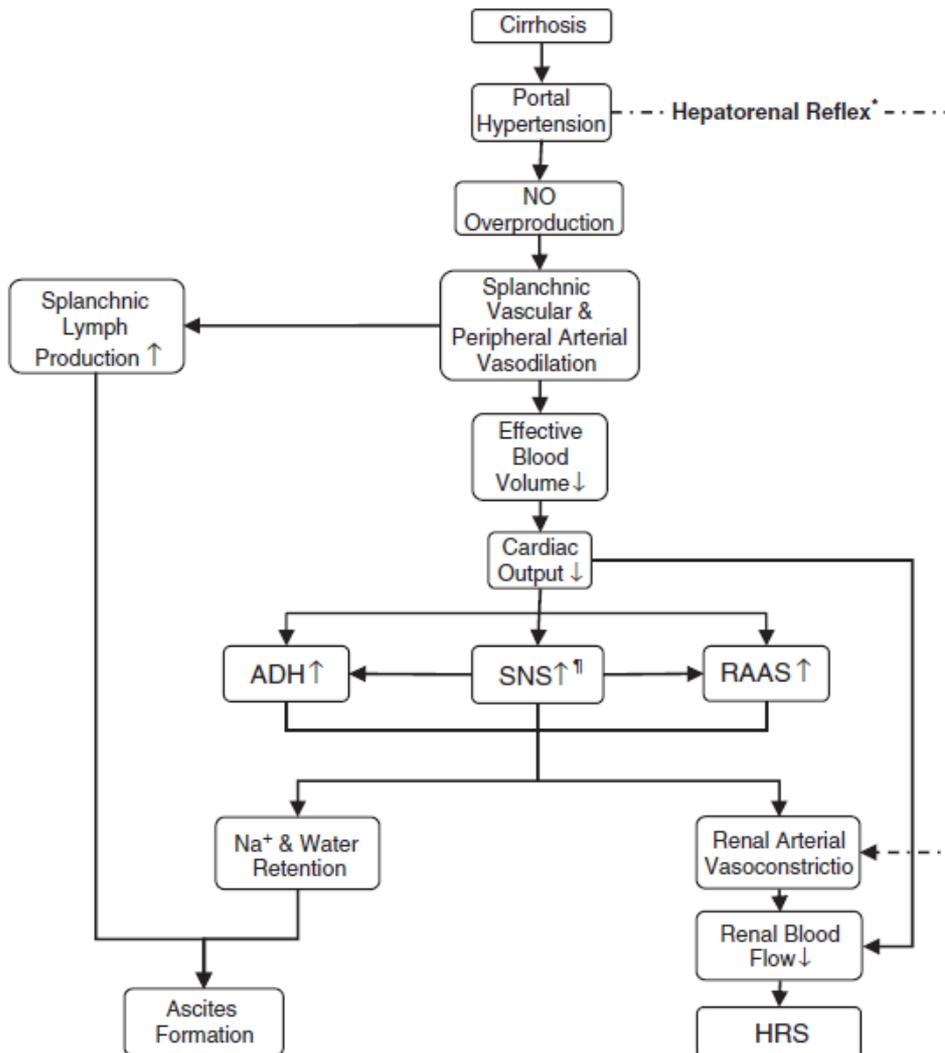
Méthodologie très imprécise car basée sur l'évaluation des réponses efférentes.

Pas de bonnes caractérisations afférences (type, molécule, etc.)

L'administration de volume entraîne une vasodilatation.

Les états de rétention hydrosodée sont en moyenne des états avec une vasodilatation systémique.

# Réflexe hépato-rénal?



Barorécepteurs hépatiques régulent activité SNS rénal.

Œdème hépatique ↓ flux rénal *mais* inhibé si dénervation foie/rein.

Charge sodée ↑ ENa et ↓ activité SNS rénal *mais* inhibé si dénervation foie.

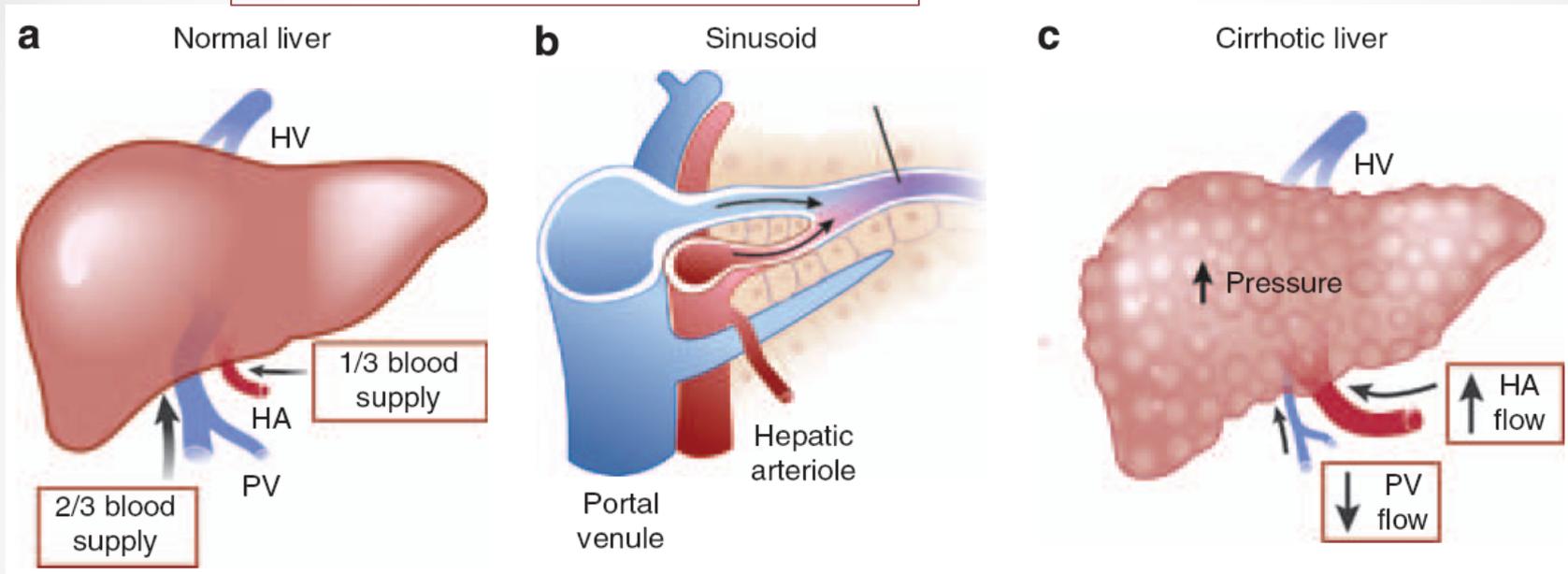
↑ P hépatique avec ou sans cirrhose → rétention hydrosodée.

Animaux cirrhotiques dénervés développement oedèmes plus lentement

Transplantés hépatiques sans anomalies rénales développent moins d'oedèmes

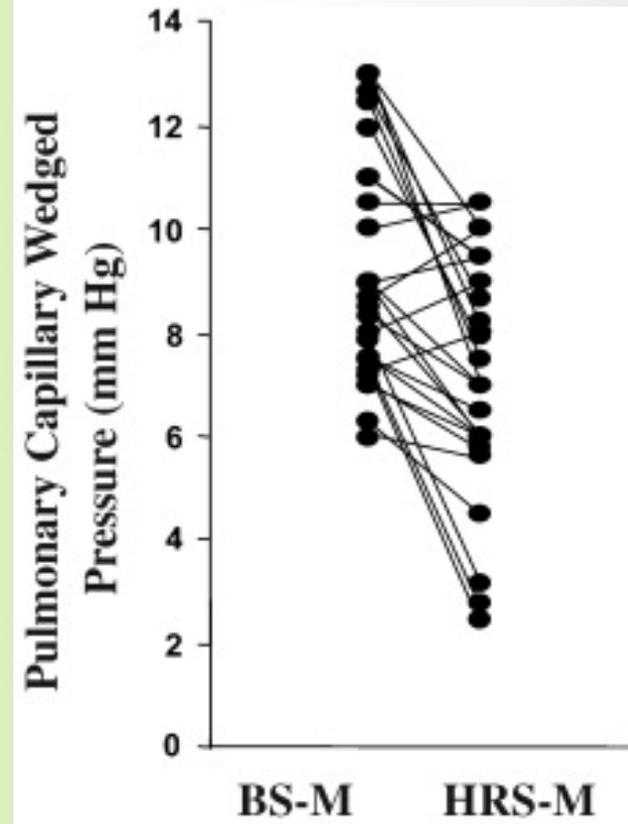
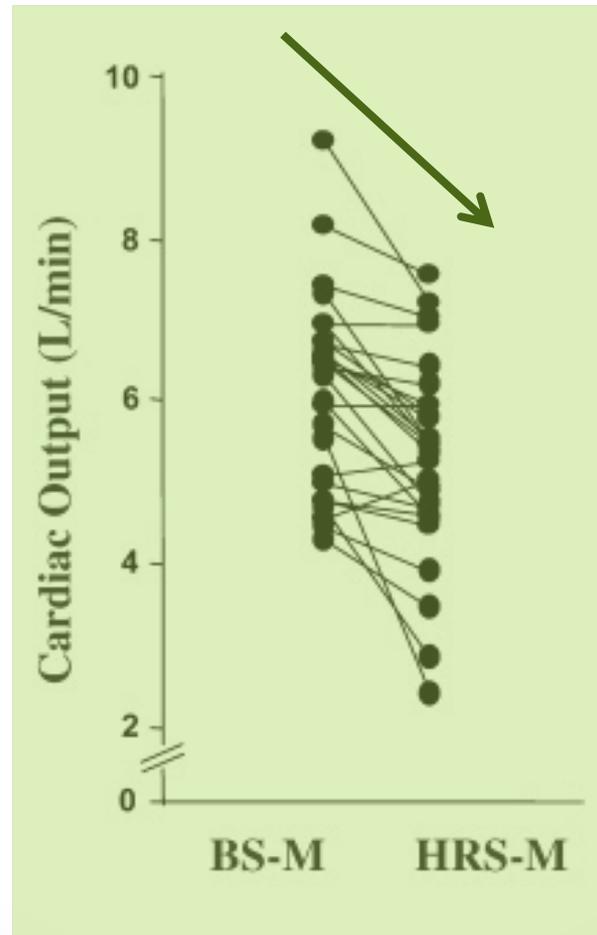
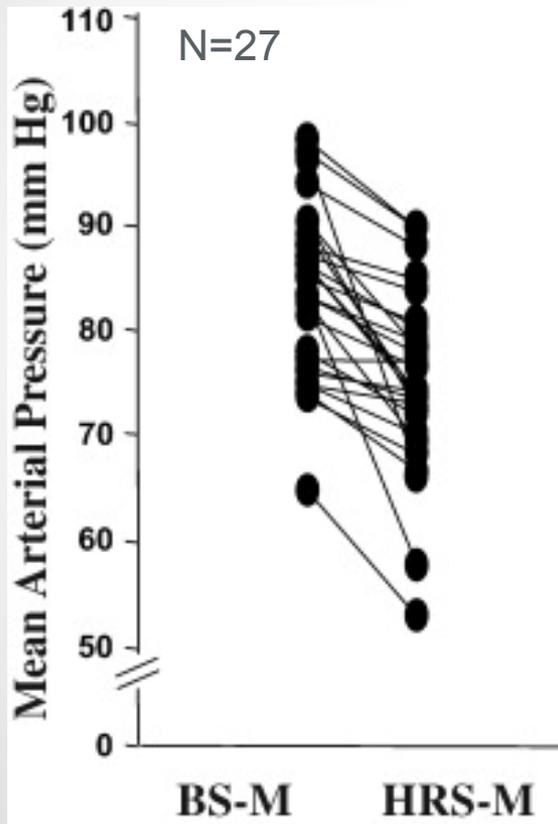
# Nature et localisation réflexe hépato-rénal?

2 circulations (porte PV et artérielle HA) avec P différentes



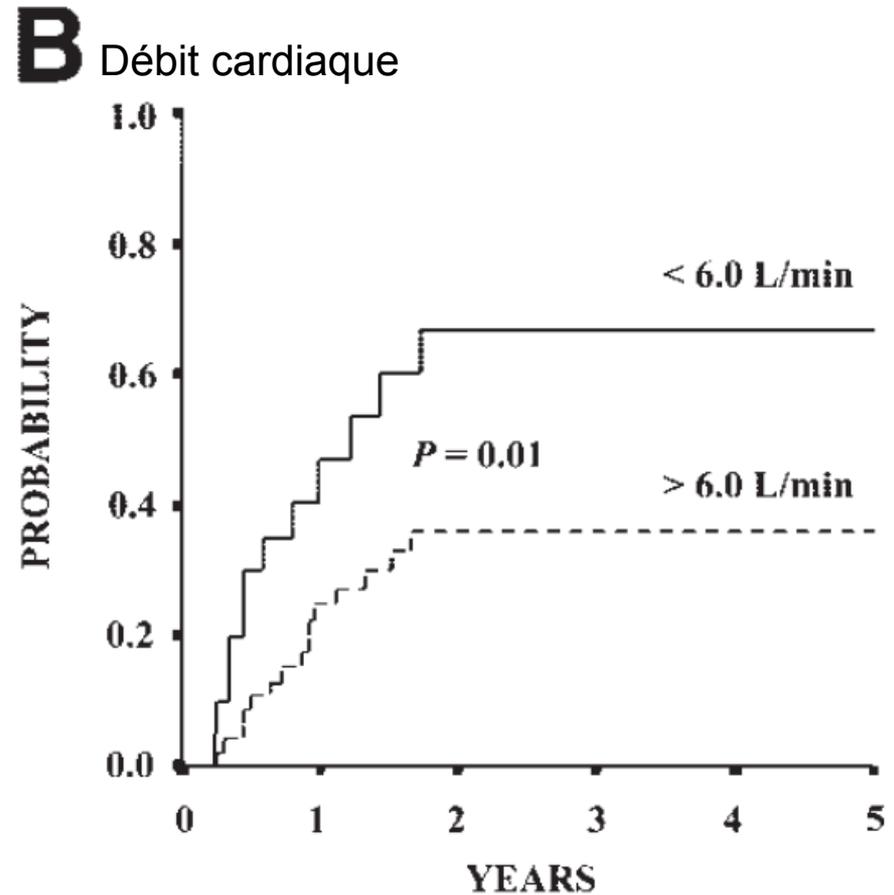
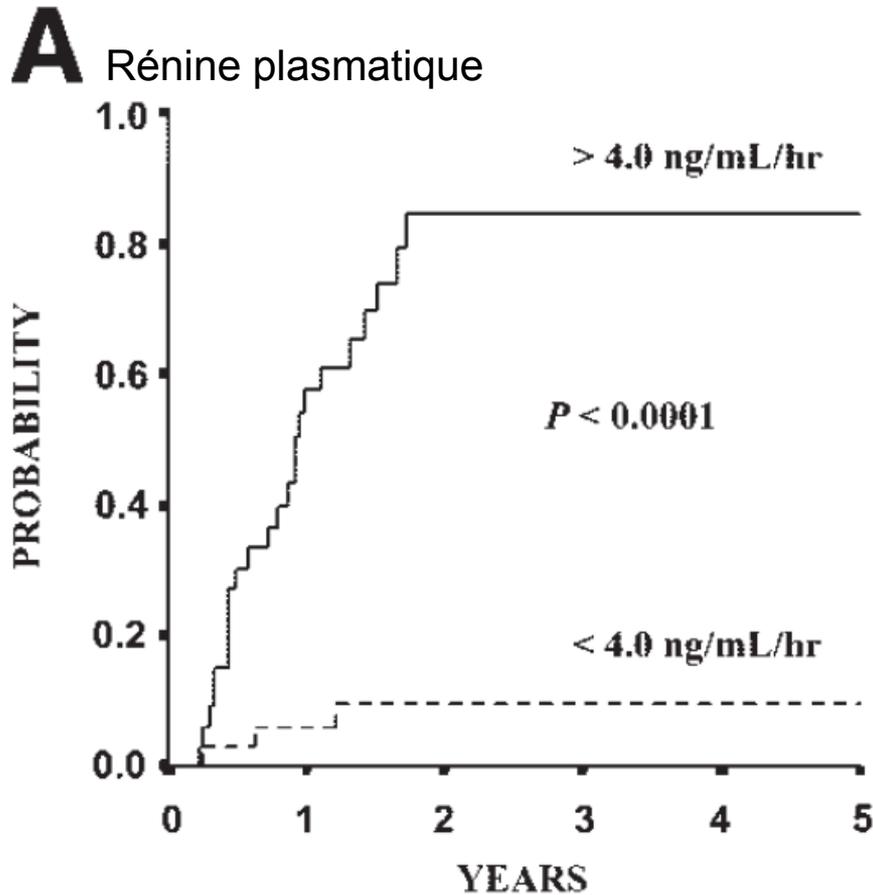
- Nature moléculaire inconnue
- Senseurs afférents probablement au niveau de circulation sinusoidale ou postsinusoidale. La rétention hydrosodée corrèle avec  $\uparrow$  de ces pressions dans la cirrhose.
- A. hépatique est capable d'auto-régulation dans sa réponse volume/pression: vasodilatation lors de chute de P pour maintenir flux.
- Vasodilatation a. hépatique si chute de flux portal  $\rightarrow$  senseur a. hépatique?

# Dysfonction cardiaque dans cirrhose



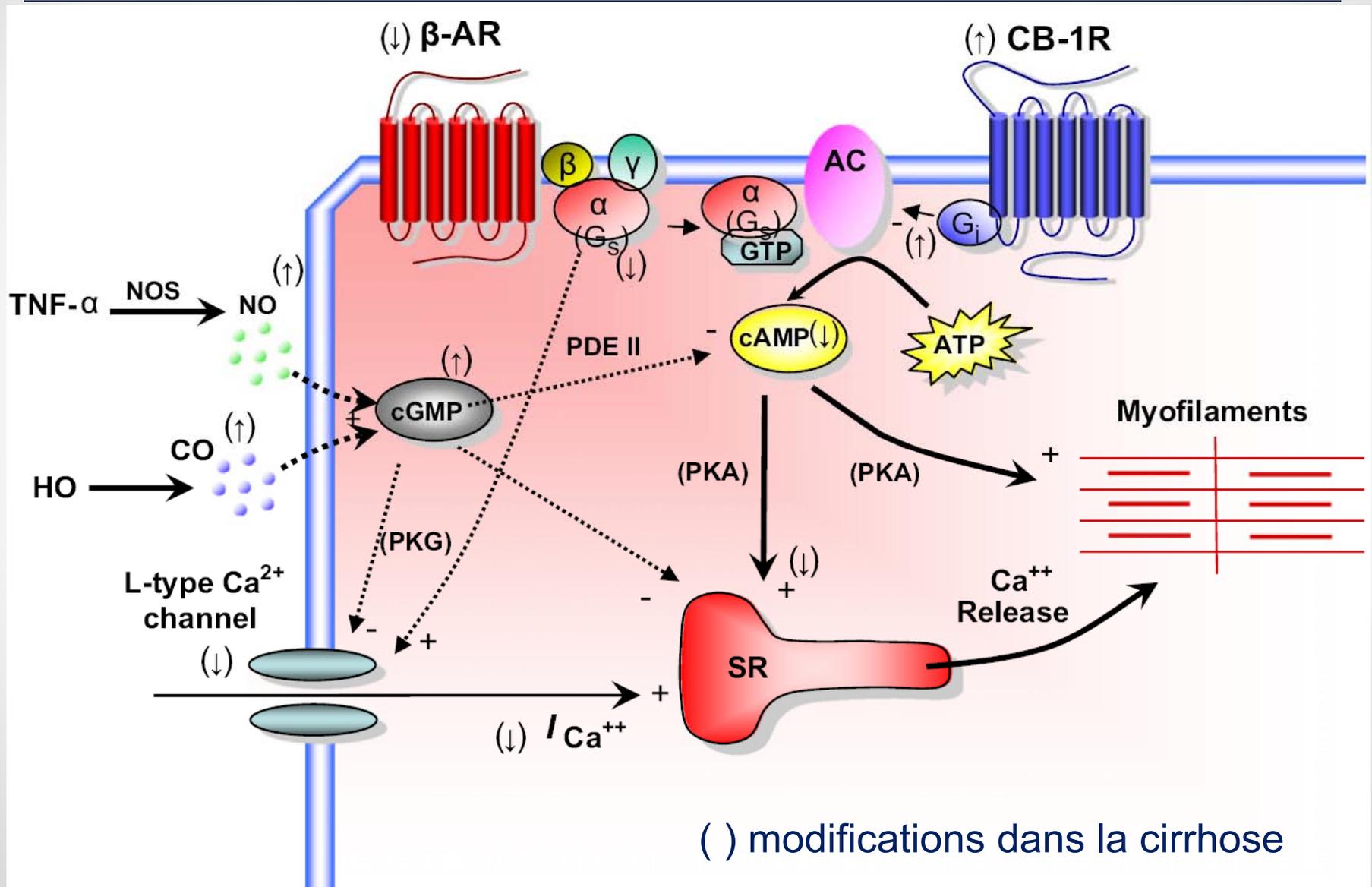
Chute du Débit cardiaque lors de développement SHR

## Développement SHR selon taux de rénine et débit cardiaque



Taux rénine + élevé mais débit cardiaque + bas chez patient développant SHR

# Régulation contractilité cardiomyocyte



( ) modifications dans la cirrhose

# Mécanismes potentiels dysfonction cardiaque

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## Changes in receptor affinity

- Down regulation and desensitisation of myocardial  $\beta$ -adrenergic receptors
- Upregulation of cannabinoid 1-receptor stimulation [32]

## Changes in intracellular signalling

- Changed expression of regulators of G-protein signalling [24,30]
- Changed adenylyclase inhibition or stimulation [29]
- Over-expression of regulators of G-protein signalling [36]

## Changes in ion fluxes

- Altered function and reduced conductance of potassium channels [66]
- Inhibition of L-type calcium channels [26]

## Contractility defects

- Overexpression of the  $\beta$ -myosin heavy chain [29]
- Altered ratio of collagens and titans [24]

## Biochemical changes

- Increased inhibitory effects of haemeoxygenase and carbon monoxide [5]
- Nitration of proteins [28]
- Increased nitric oxide synthase-induced nitric oxide release [33]
- Increased tumour necrosis factor- $\alpha$  release [5]
- Increased fluidity of the plasma membrane [27]
- Increased cholesterol/phospholipid ratio [5,29]

# Critères diagnostics cardiomyopathie-cirrhotique

A cardiac dysfunction in patients with cirrhosis characterised by impaired contractile responsiveness to stress and/or altered diastolic relaxation with electrophysiological abnormalities in the absence of other known cardiac disease

Diagnostic criteria

## Systolic dysfunction

- Blunted increase in CO with exercise, volume challenge or pharmacological stimuli
- Resting EF < 55%

## Diastolic dysfunction

- E/A ratio < 1.0 (age-corrected)
- Prolonged deceleration time (> 200 ms)
- Prolonged isovolumetric relaxation time (> 80 ms)

Supportive criteria

- Electrophysiological abnormalities
- Abnormal chronotropic response
- Electromechanical uncoupling/dyssynchrony
- Prolonged Q-Tc interval
- Enlarged left atrium
- Increased myocardial mass
- Increased BNP and pro-BNP
- Increased troponin I

# Rôle insuffisance surrénalienne

CRH

ACTH

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Cirrhosis,  
inflammation, sepsis,  
cytokines - potential  
factors leading to RAI

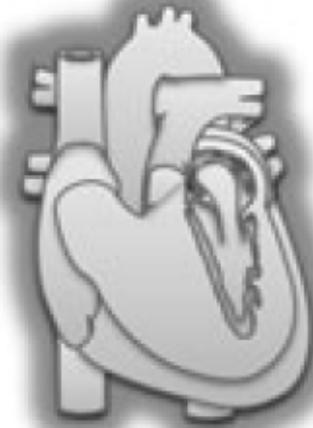
Relative adrenal  
insufficiency (RAI)

9-12%

Glucocorticoids ↓

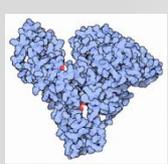
Mineralocorticoids ↑

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Cardiac effects of adrenal insufficiency:  
LV systolic dysfunction  
QT prolongation  
Diastolic dysfunction?†

Cardiac effects of hyperaldosteronism:  
Degradation of interstitial matrix  
Cardiomyocyte apoptosis

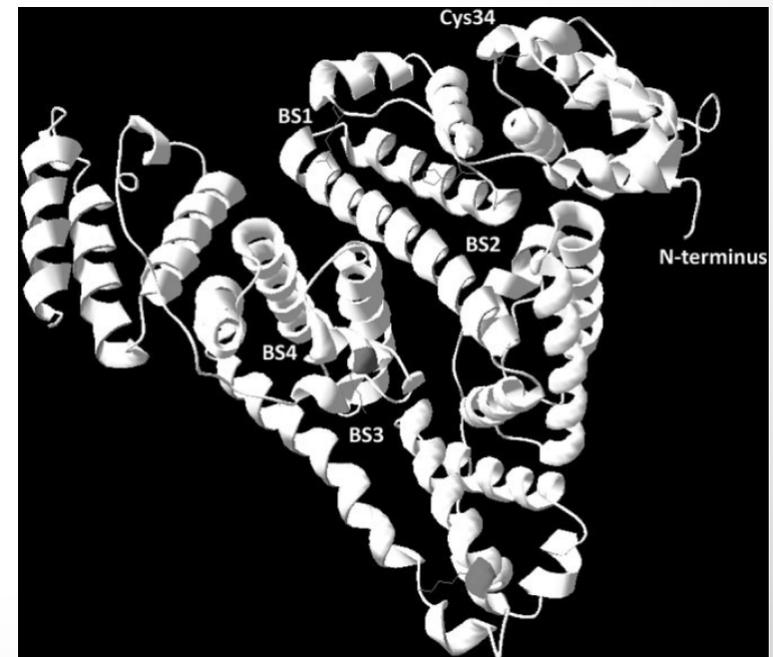


# Perte de la capacité fonctionnelle de l'albumine

Albumine → transport molécules hydrophobiques, acides gras, hormones, substances toxiques, médicaments, anti-oxydant...

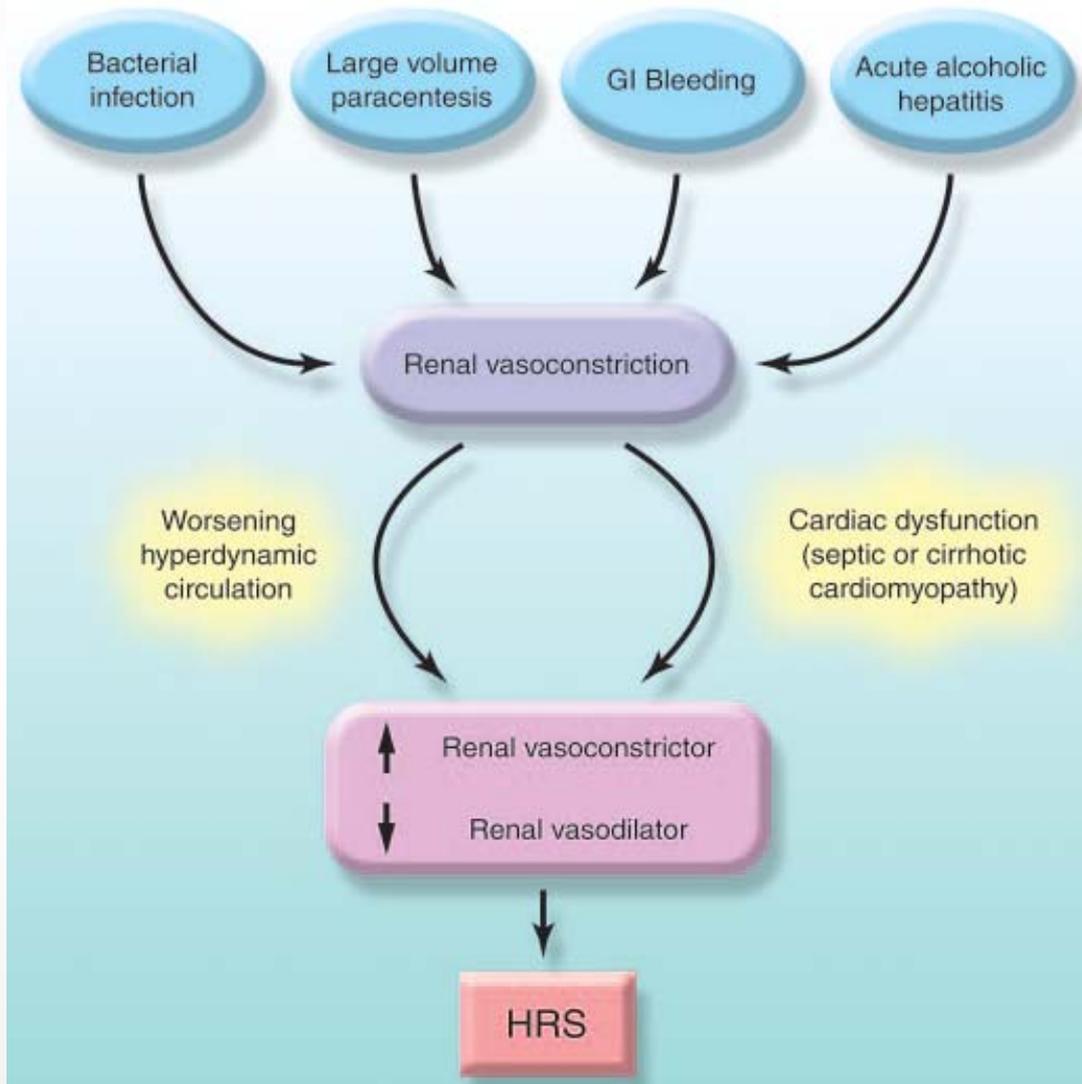
Dans la cirrhose : ↓ synthèse, ↓ capacité transport et ↓ anti-oxydant

Measure	Healthy	Cirrhosis, No Organ Dysfunction (n = 12)	ACLF (n = 22)
EPR spectroscopy			
Binding coefficient (high-affinity $K_{B1}$ )	97.4 (15.6)	27.5 (5.6)*	17.9 (3.5)*
Number of labels (high-affinity site, N1)	3.1 (0.1)	2.4 (0.1)	2.5 (0.9)
Binding coefficient (low-affinity $K_{B2}$ )	58.3 (11)	20.1 (3.1)*	14.1 (1.8)*,†
Number of labels (low-affinity site, N2)	2.9 (0.2)	3.1 (0.1)	2.6 (0.1)*,†
Calculated real transport efficiency	75 (6.9)	27.5 (5.1)*	14.3 (1.9)*,†
Calculated detoxification efficiency	120 (33)	28.2 (5.3)*	11.6 (2.6)*,‡
Effective albumin	50.26 (3.02)	25.6 (3.1)*	20.98 (2.2)*
IMA	0.69 (0.034)	0.64 (0.022)	0.64 (0.017)
IMAR	0.010 (0.001)	0.021 (0.001)	0.03 (0.002)*,‡

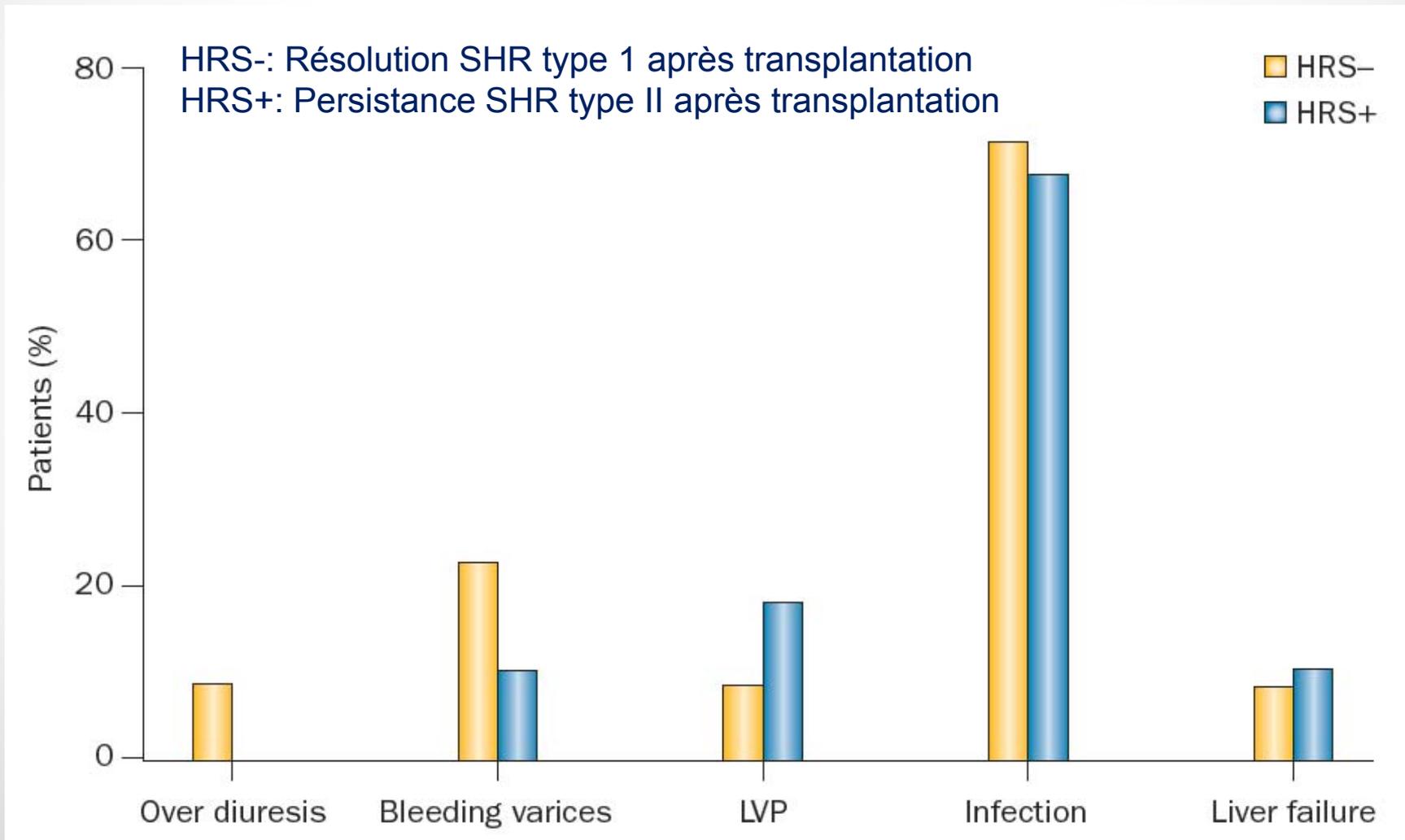


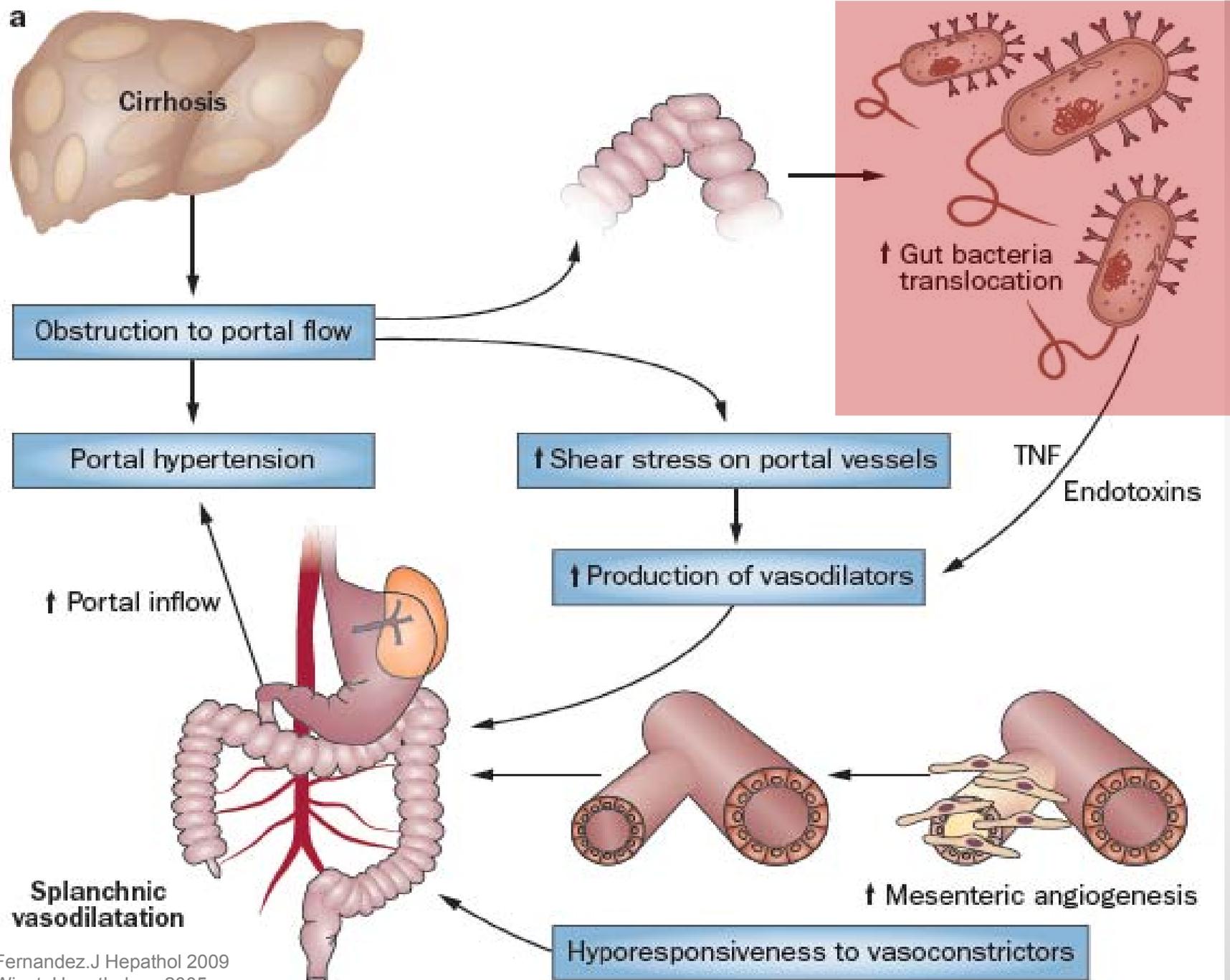
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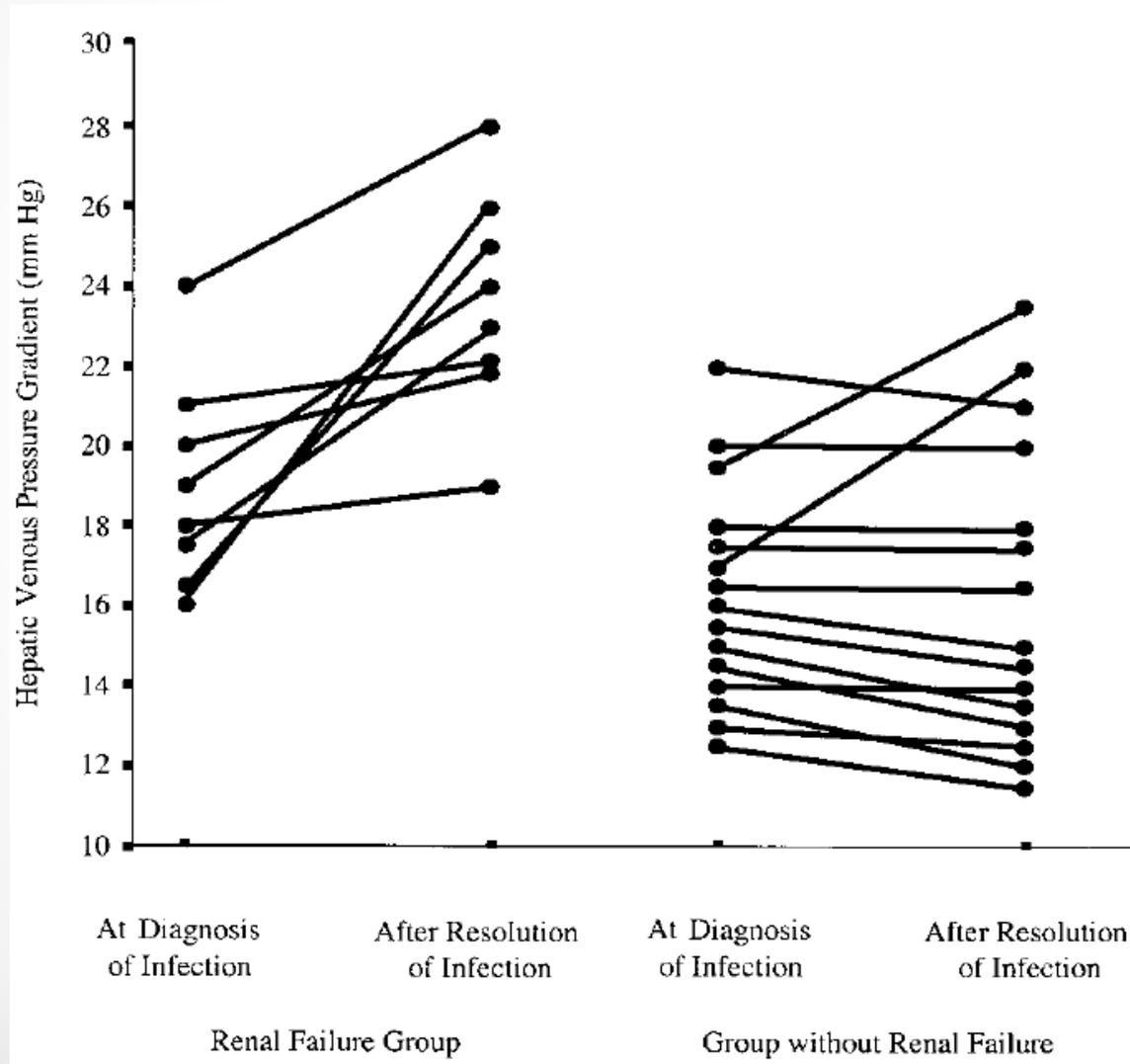


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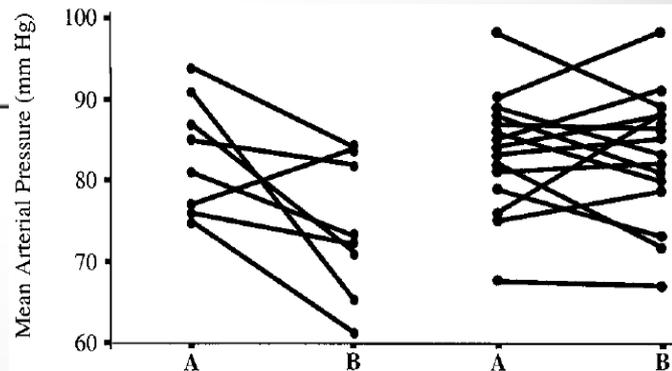
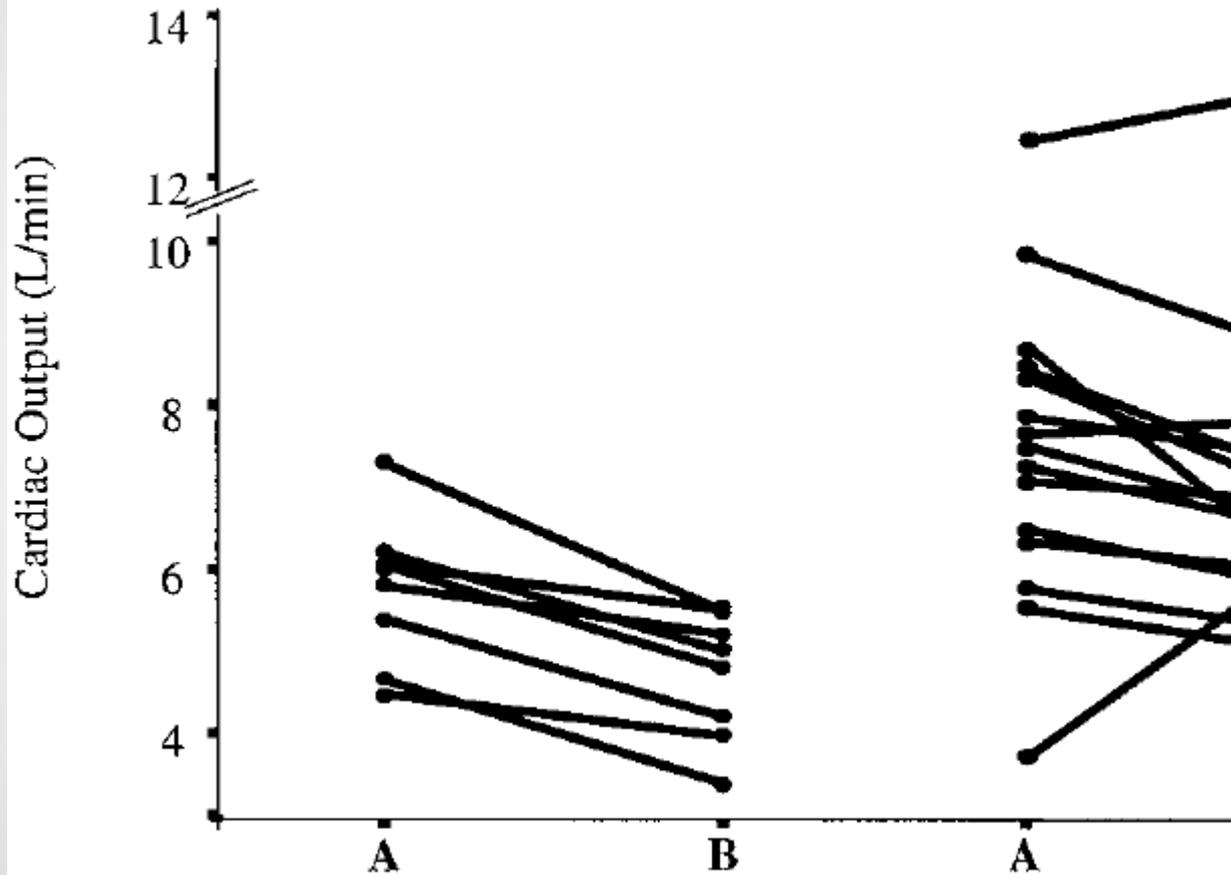




# Pression hépatique ↑ avec PBS

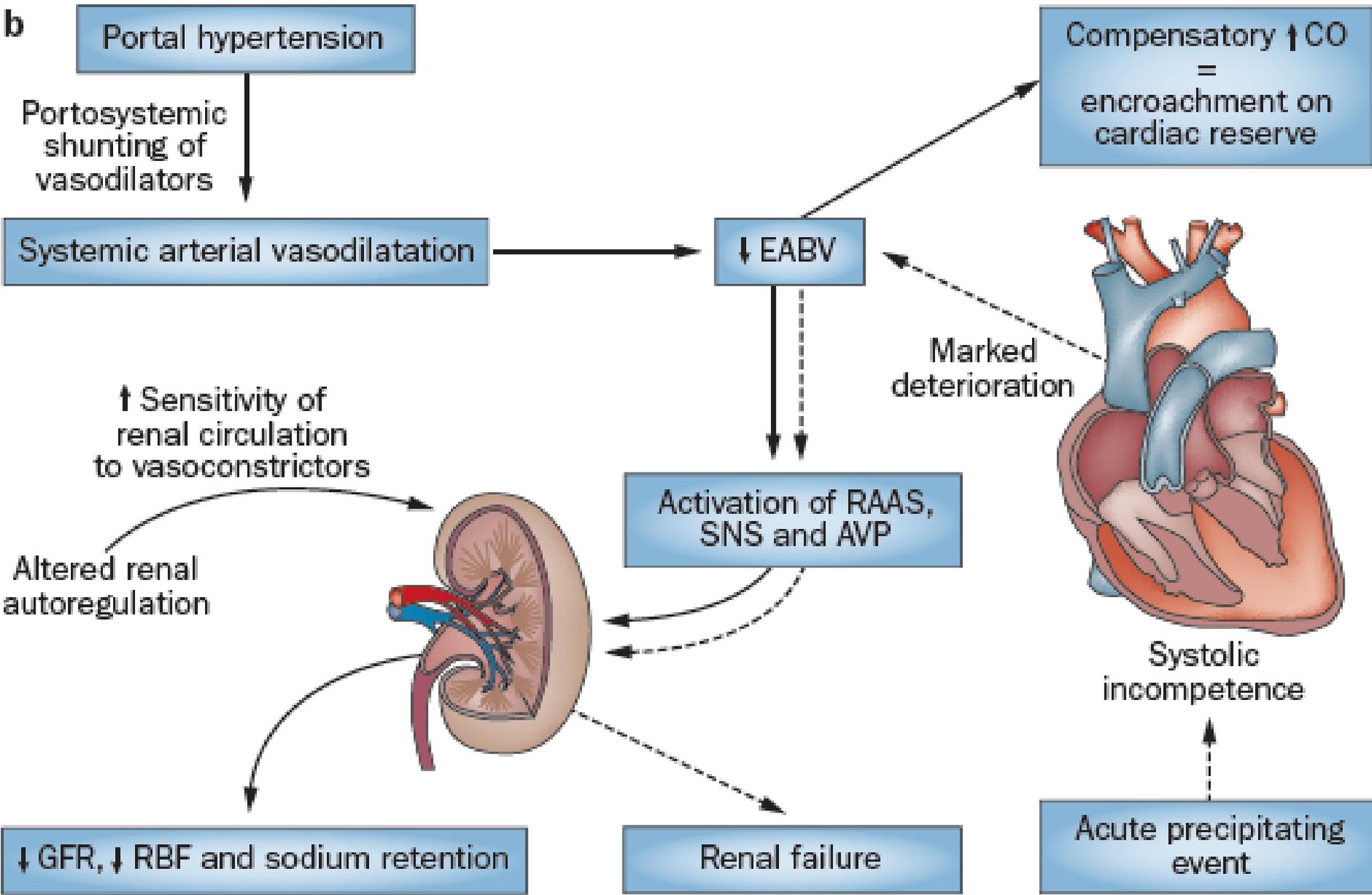


# Modifications hémodynamique PBS



↓ débit cardiaque et P artérielle chez patient développant IRA suite à PBS

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# Conclusions (I)

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- Le SHR se caractérise par une vasoconstriction rénale intense en réponse à une baisse des résistances systémiques, principalement dues à une vasodilatation artérielle splanchnique
- Parmi les médiateurs impliqués dans la vasodilatation splanchnique, une production accrue de NO joue un rôle essentiel.
- Cette production accrue de NO s'accompagne de défauts des mécanismes de vasoconstriction qui touchent les voies de signalisation du muscle lisse
- La cause de cette production accrue est inconnue et de nouvelles pistes notamment au niveau de la circulation hépatique devrait être explorées.

# Conclusions (II)

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- Parmi les éléments associés au développement du SHR on retient une **cardiomyopathie cirrhotique**.
- Une **insuffisance surrénalienne** contribue à la dysfonction
- Une altération des fonctions **détoxifiantes et antioxydantes de l'albumine** doit également être évoquée.
- Un **épisode infectieux digestif** (translocation bactérienne) est le mécanisme déclencheur le plus fréquent et le plus probable.

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