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Overview

- Definitions
- Oxygen Free Radicals
- Pathophysiology of ROS
- ROS & Compromised Wound Healing
- Current Management Options

Oxygen Free Radical

- A free radical is any atom (e.g. oxygen, nitrogen) with at least one unpaired electron in the outermost shell, and is capable of independent existence.
- Free radicals are highly reactive due to the presence of an unpaired electron
- Oxygen Free Radical = Reactive Oxygen Species

$\ddot{O}::\ddot{O}$ Oxygen $\cdot\ddot{O}:H^-$ Hydroxyl Radical

$Fe^{2+} + H_2O_2 \rightarrow Fe^{3+} + \cdot OH + OH^-$

Reactive Oxygen Species (ROS)

- Hydroxyl radical (OH·)
- Superoxide Anion (O₂⁻)
- Singlet oxygen
- Ozone (O₃)
- Hydrogen peroxide (H₂O₂)
- Nitric Oxide: Peroxynitrite (ONOO⁻)
- Carbon Based: Peroxyl Radicals (·O₂CCl₃)
- Thiol compounds (RSO₂·)

ROS Production

- Environmental
 - Air Pollution
- External - Exogenous
 - Smoking
- Direct Ionizing Radiation
 - Environmental-Therapeutic
- Cellular Metabolism
- Inflammation

Redox Reactions

- Oxidation is gain of oxygen
- Reduction is loss of oxygen

$Fe_2O_3 + 3CO \xrightarrow{\text{reduction}} 2Fe + 3CO_2$

↑ oxidation

- Oxidation is loss of electrons (Hydrogen)
- Reduction is gain of electrons (Hydrogen)

$Cu^{2+} + Mg \xrightarrow{\text{reduction by gain of electrons}} Cu + Mg^{2+}$

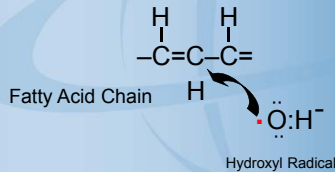
↑ oxidation by loss of electrons

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ROS Pathophysiology

- Once formed oxygen free radicals seek out electrons to form a stable molecule



ROS Effects & Damage

- Oxidation Reactions
 - Lipids (LIPID PEROXIDATION)
 - Amino acids in proteins
 - Enzymes by oxidation of co-factors

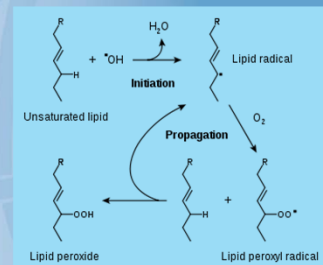
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Lipid Peroxidation

- Polyunsaturated fatty acids (PUFAs) are abundant in cellular membranes and in low-density lipoproteins.
- PUFAs allow for fluidity and transport across cellular membranes.
- When oxygen free radicals that attack PUFAs the result is damage to cellular membranes
 - LIPID PEROXIDATION

ROS Chain Reactions

- Initiation
- Propagation
 - two free radicals combine to form a more stable species
- Termination



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Antioxidant Defenses

- Antioxidants give up their own electrons to free radicals rendering ROS inactive
- Oxygen Free Radicals are stabilized
 - lipid peroxidation ceases
 - chain reaction of oxidation is broken

Antioxidants

- Vitamin E
- Beta-carotene
- Coenzyme Q
- Intracellular Antioxidant Scavengers
 - vitamin C, superoxide dismutase, catalase

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Oxidative Stress

- Excessive ROS
 - Deficient termination reactions
 - Lack of endogenous scavengers / antioxidants
 - Production exceeds reduction reactions

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Oxidative Stress (Systemic)

- Atherosclerosis
- Parkinson's disease
- Heart Failure
- Myocardial Infarction
- Alzheimer's disease
- Chronic fatigue syndrome
- Aging

Gems D, Partridge L (March 2008). "Stress-response hormesis and aging: "that which does not kill us makes us stronger"". Cell Metab. 7 (3): 200-3.

Oxidative Stress (Cellular)

- Cell Wall Disturbance (PUFAs)
- Enzyme Disruption
- DNA Damage
- Apoptosis (Cellular Death)
- Tissue Necrosis
- COMPROMISED WOUND HEALING

Lennon SV, Martin SJ, Cotter TG (1991). "Dose-dependent induction of apoptosis in human tumour cell lines by widely diverging stimuli". Cell Prolif. 24 (2): 203-14.

Sources of Free Radicals Exogenous

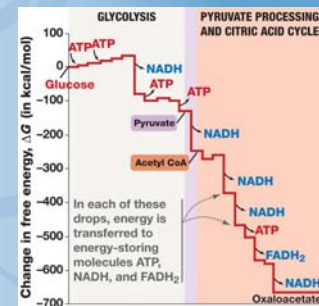
- Exogenous Sources
 - Environmental
 - External

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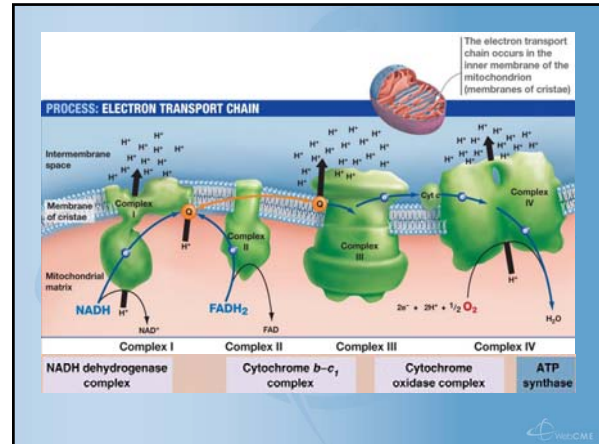
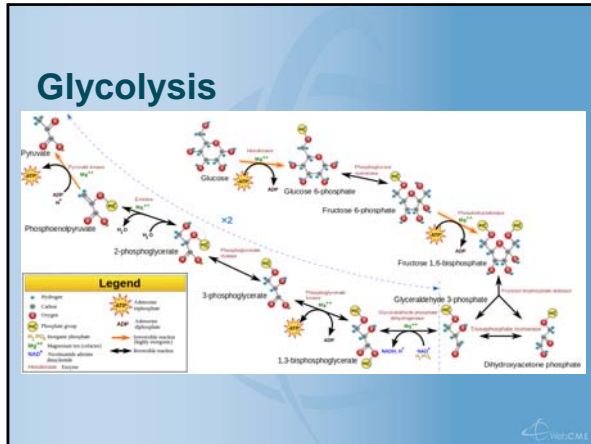
- Endogenous
 - Cellular Metabolism
 - Glycolysis

Cellular Metabolism

- Glycolysis
- Mitochondria
- Krebs Cycle
- ATP Production



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Mitochondrial ROS

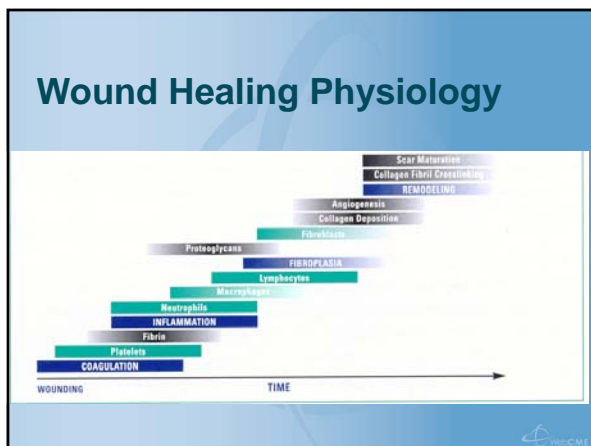
- Submitochondrial localization of ROS generating sites
 - Cytochrome b5 reductase
 - Monoamine oxidases
 - Dihydroorotate dehydrogenase
 - Dehydrogenase α-glycerophosphate
 - Succinate dehydrogenase
 - Aconitase
 - α-Ketoglutarate dehydrogenase complex

A. Yu. Andreyev, Yu. E. Kushnareva, A. A. Starkov. Mitochondrial Metabolism of Reactive Oxygen Species. Biochemistry, Vol. 70, No. 2, 2005, pp. 200-214.

Sources of Free Radicals Endogenous

Endogenous

- Cellular Metabolism
 - Glycolysis
- Inflammation
 - Phagocytosis – Respiratory Oxidation
 - Protease Induction



Wound Healing Physiology

TISSUE REPAIR PHASES						
	HEMATOMA	INFLAMMATION	GRANULATION	REMODELING	TISSUE REPAIR	
INJURY	Platelet aggregation Haemostasis	Cytokines and Growth factors	Increased vasodilation/ vasopermeability lead to increased exudate	Cytokines and Growth factors	Fibroblast/endothelial cell activation	Resorption of Type III collagen
			Fibrin clots		Angiogenesis	Orientation of collagen fibers
			Increased blood flow		Collagen synthesis and extracellular matrix formation	Type I collagen formation
			Phagocytosis		Wound contracture	

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Inflammatory Phase

- Polymorphonuclear Neutrophils (PMN)
 - White Blood Cells
- Action
 - Cleanse the wound by secreting proteases
 - Phagocytize debris and bacteria
 - Kill bacteria
 - ✓ free radicals
 - ✓ respiratory or oxidative burst

de la Torre J., Sholar A. (2006). Wound healing: Chronic wounds. Emedicine.com. Accessed January 20, 2008



Respiratory (Oxidative) Burst

- PMNs and Macrophages
- Degradation of internalized particles
- **Formation free radicals**
- Rapid release of reactive oxygen species
 - ROS
 - superoxide radical and hydrogen peroxide
- **BACTERIAL KILLING**

Greenhalgh D.G. (1998). The role of apoptosis in wound healing. The International Journal of Biochemistry & Cell Biology 30 (9): 1019-1030.
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ROS and Proteases

- Proteolytic enzymes are the second line of defense against the ROS in that they degrade and eliminate the damaged molecules.
- Proteolytic process preferentially degrade oxidatively modified and damaged proteins
- ROS may activate cellular proteases or damage protease inhibitors and promote indiscriminate proteolysis
- Studies have suggested an increased activity of erythrocyte proteolytic enzymes in degrading oxidant damaged hemoglobin in diabetes mellitus

Varashree BS, Bhat PGK. A Study on Proteolytic Enzyme Activity in the Erythrocytes of Diabetic Patients. Online J Health Allied Scs. 2010;9(4):13URL: <http://www.ohas.org/issue36/2010-4-13.htm>

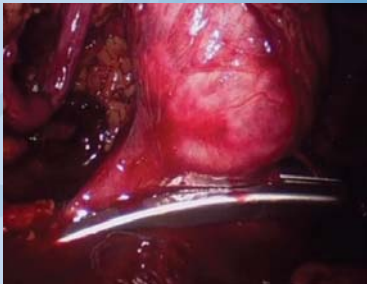


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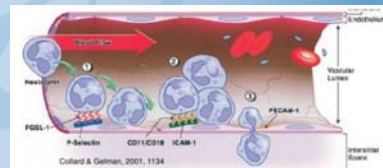


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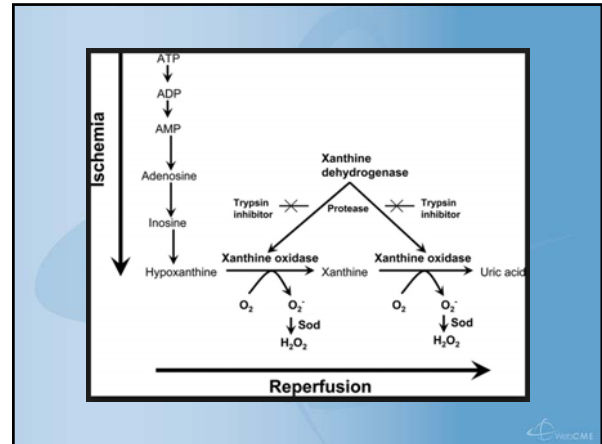
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- Reperfusion of Tissue



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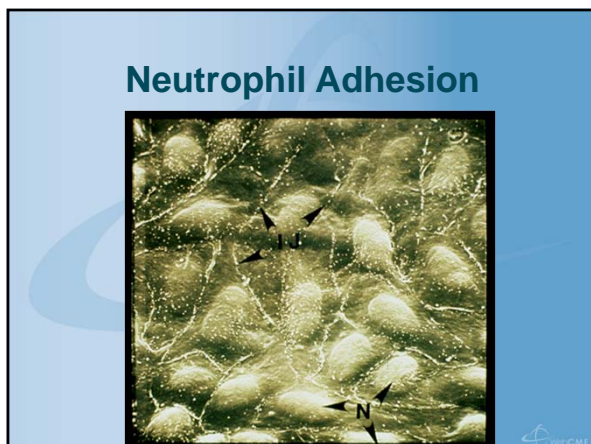
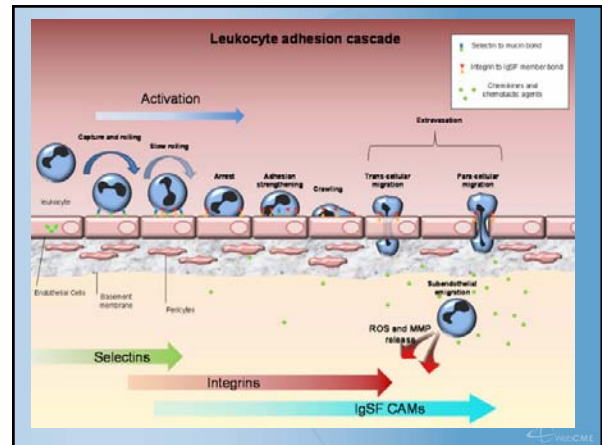
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 - ROS production via Xanthine Oxidase system


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- **Reperfusion of Tissue**
 - Neutrophil Activation
 - ✓ Binding and Vasculature Adhesion
 - ✓ ROS Production
 - Growing evidence that neutrophil mediated free radical production may be more important than xanthine oxidase in ischemia-reperfusion injury

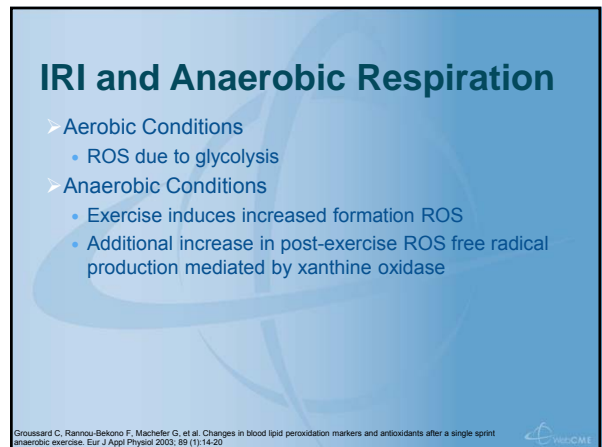
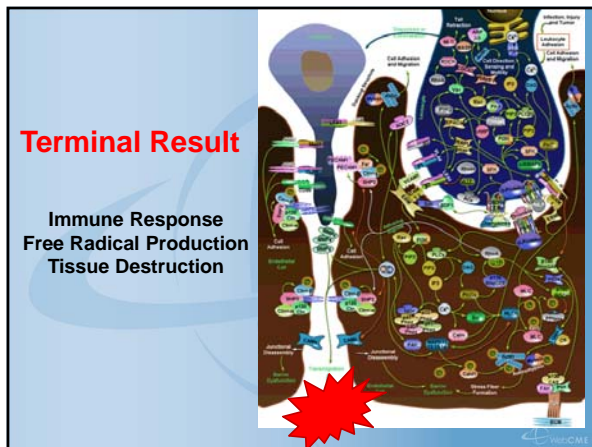
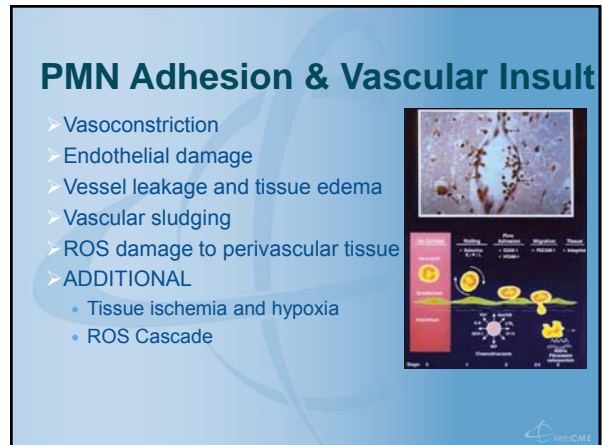
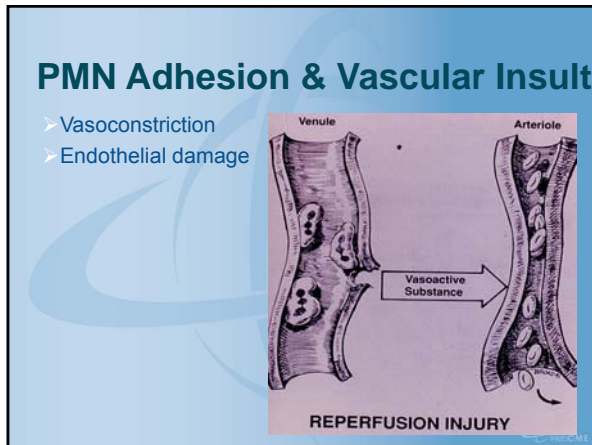
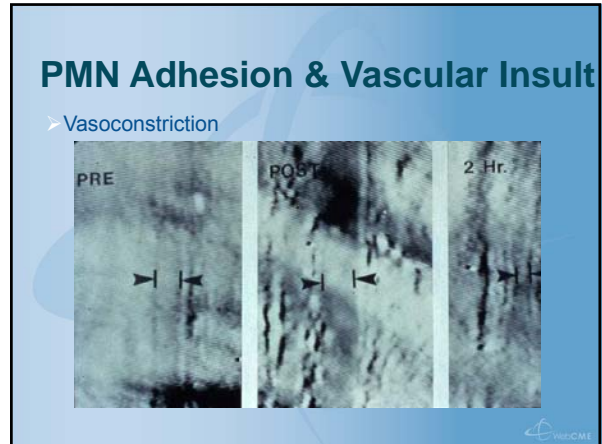
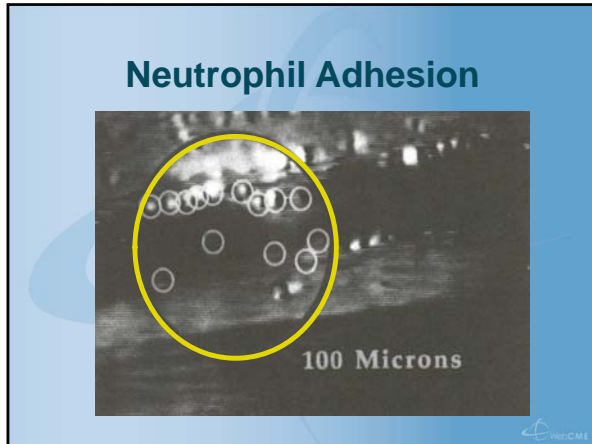



Neutrophil Adhesion

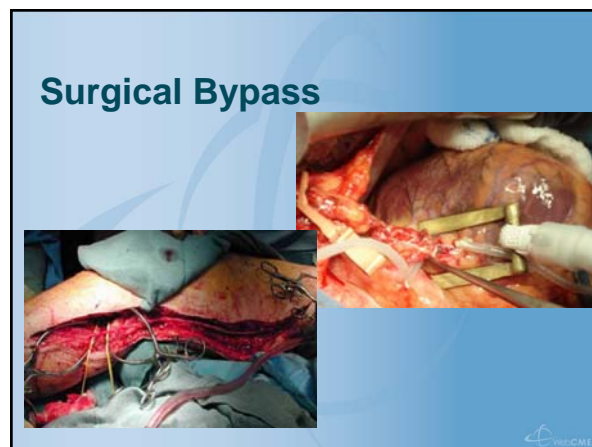
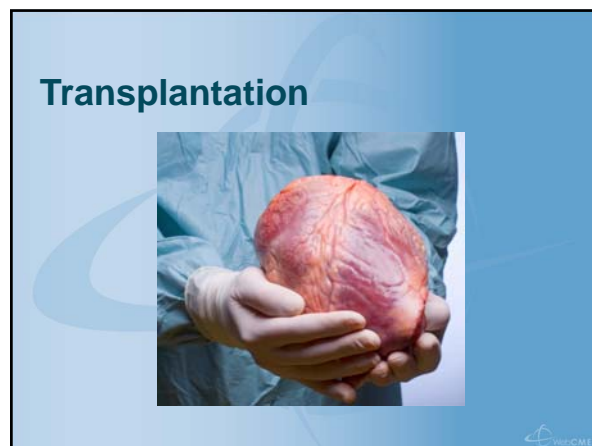
- Following 4 hours of ischemia, there is an increase in the number of neutrophils that adhere to post-capillary venules
- This was maintained throughout a 3-hour reperfusion observation period
- Venule walls became ill defined and disruption of endothelial basement membranes adjacent to adherent neutrophils was observed



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Burn Physiology

Evolutionary process over 3-5 days

- Central area zone of coagulation
- Surrounding zone of stasis
- Outer zone of hyperemia

The diagram shows three concentric circles representing the zones of burn injury. Red arrows point from the text to the corresponding zones in the diagram.

Zone of coagulation
- Can increase 10x in 1st 48hrs
Hemo-concentration
Platelet microthrombi

Edema formation in area of injury & distant areas as well

Larger "transition area" than mechanical trauma

Zone of Stasis

- Vasogenic and Cytogenic Edema
- Platelet microthrombi and hemoconcentration in postcapillary venules
- RBC and WBC adhesion and activation
- Inflammatory mediators liberated
- Sludging and loss of integrity of microvasculature
- Tissue desiccation and thrombosis of capillaries
- Tissue death and progression of Zone of Necrosis/Coagulation

IRI and Intravascular Gas

- Acute Gas Embolism
- Decompression Illness
- Blast Injury

The image shows a microscopic view of numerous small, spherical gas bubbles suspended in a liquid, illustrating intravascular gas.

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Therapeutic Target & Goals

- Oxidative Stress
- Excessive Oxygen Free Radicals
- Ischemia Reperfusion
- Endogenous Imbalances

ROS Management Strategies

- Endogenous Antioxidant Pathways
 - Nutritional Support
 - Antioxidant Therapy ???? (caution)
 - ✓ Beta-carotene, Vitamin C, and Vitamin E
 - ✓ Zinc, Selenium
 - ✓ Phytochemicals
 - ✓ Glutathione
 - ✓ Melatonin

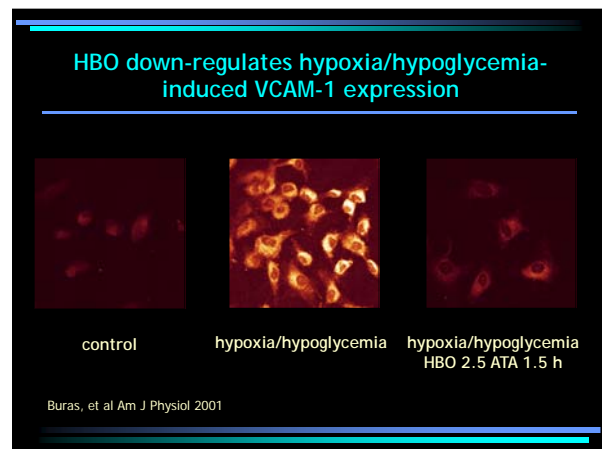
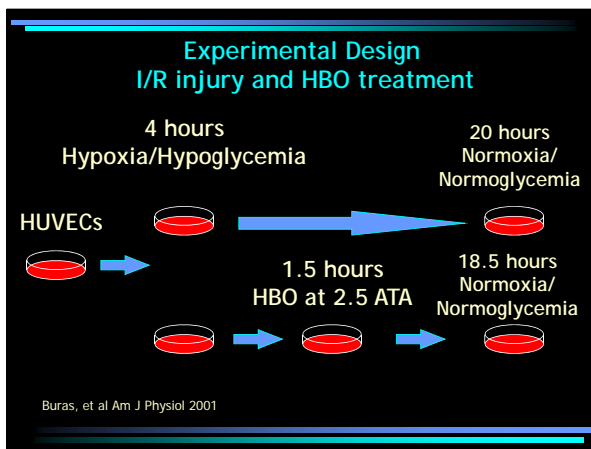
ROS Management Strategies

- Endogenous Antioxidant Pathways
- Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy

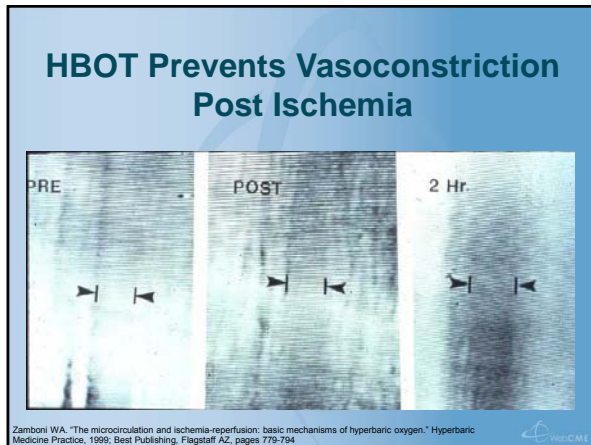
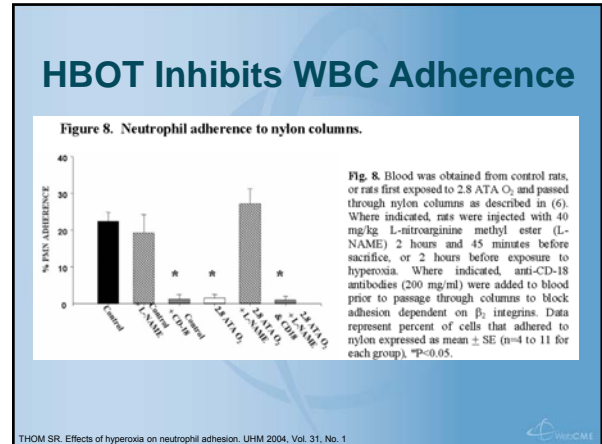
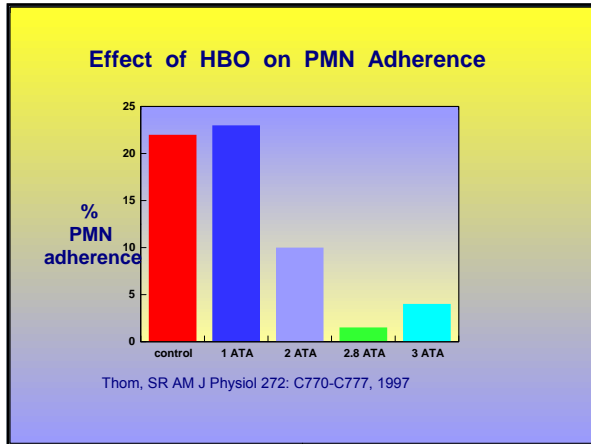
HBOT Down-regulates Endothelial Cell Adhesion Molecules in IRI

- In vitro endothelial cell model
- HBO 2.5 ATA prevented IRI by decreasing or preventing induced E-selectin, ICAM-1 and VCAM-1
- Conclusions:
 - Demonstrates positive role of HBO on endothelium
 - Demonstrates WBC anti-adhesive effect of HBO

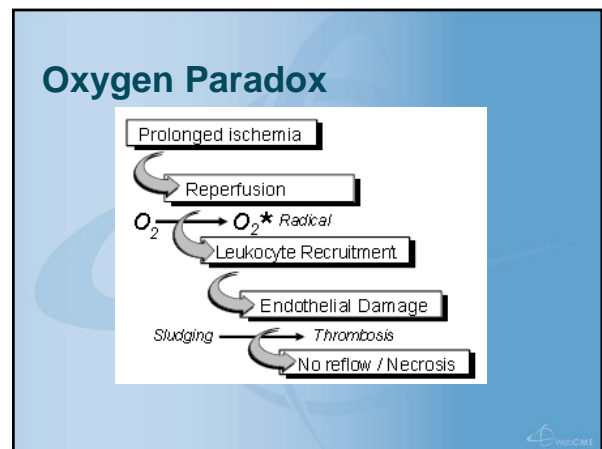
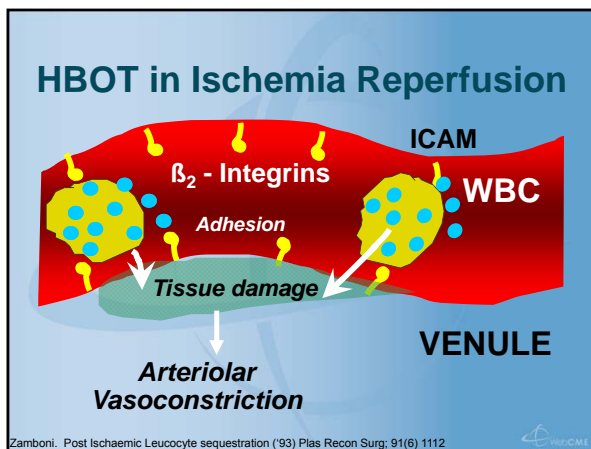
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- ### HBOT in Ischemia Reperfusion
- HBO decreases WBC adherence following ischemia.
 - The leukocyte adhesion molecule is Beta-2-integrin.
 - Hypoxia and sepsis can cause membrane guanylate cyclase to trigger the neutrophil β_2 -integrin.
 - HBO appears to act via NO to inhibit neutrophil β_2 integrin function.
 - HBO does not induce vasoconstriction in post ischemic muscle.



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IRI / HBOT Indications


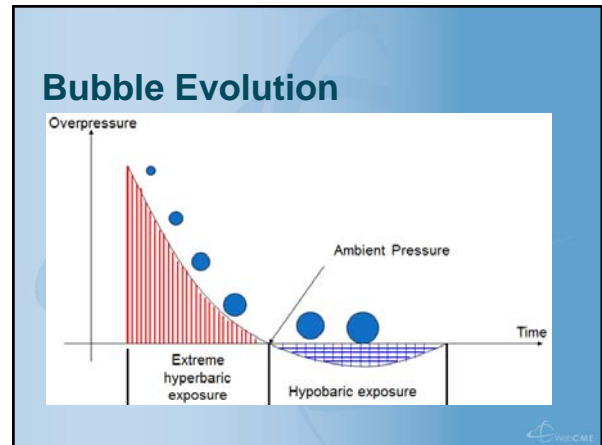
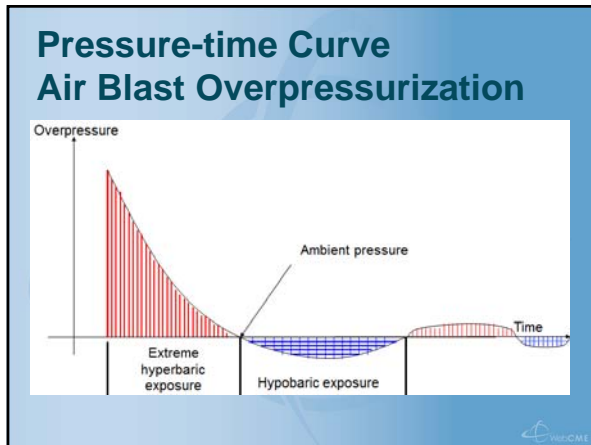
- AGE, DCS, Blast Injury
- Carbon Monoxide Poisoning
- Thermal Burns
- Compromised Flaps & Grafts
- Acute Ischemia
- Compartment Syndrome
- CRAO
- ISSHL





Emboli in Blast Injury


- Over pressurization and over distention
- Evolved gas
 - related to duration & pressure
- Compressible turbulence of multiple hypersonic waves
- Nano cavitation
 - pressure reductions associated with shock waves can produce cavitation nuclei and bubble excitation*

Wienke, B.R., Hyperbaric Physics with Bubble Mechanics and Decompression Theory in Depth, 2008

Bubble Embolization

Decompression Event	Blast Event
	




Historical “Silent Wounding”

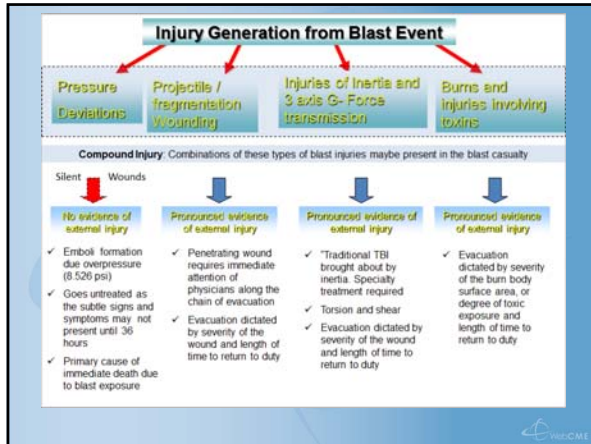
- DaCosta’s syndrome*
- Effort syndrome
- Irritable Heart*
- Battle Fatigue
- Tristesse Sombre*
- Soldier’s Heart*
- Shell Shocked
- Combat Fatigue
- PTSD
- Mild TBI

Silent Wounding has been reported since the beginning of the use of gunpowder... 1768

Since that time it has perplexed those seeking to care for the wounded or explain deaths with no evidence of external wounds*



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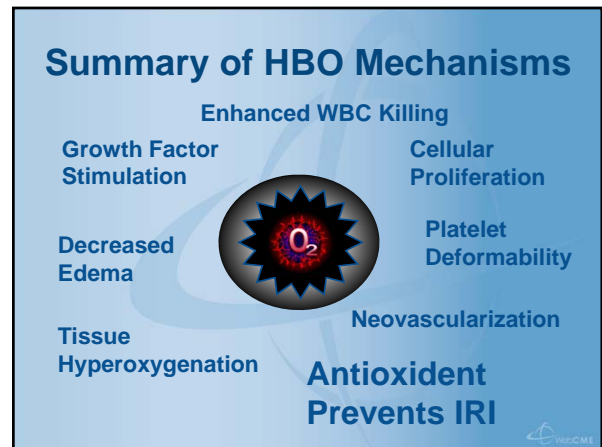
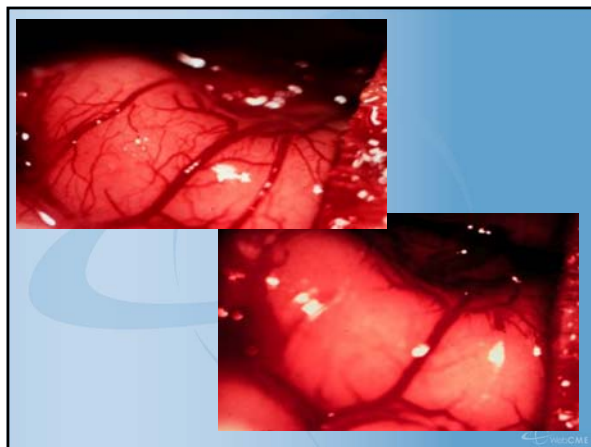


Do “Bubbles” cause Ischemia Reperfusion Injury?

YES!

- Complete Arterial Occlusion
 - Early
 - Large
- Compliment Activation
 - Sludging
 - Lo-Flow/No-Flow

Do we use HBOT to treat “Bubbles”?



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ROS Management Strategies

- Endogenous Antioxidant Pathways
- Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy
- **Steric Hindrance**

Steric Hindrance

- Large Molecules
- Free Radical Traps
- End ROS chain reactions via termination

In Vitro Evidence

- John Kao, PhD
 - Professor & Chairman, Department of Department Biomaterials University of Wisconsin

Experimental Methods

OxyBurst H₂O₂ + BSA → Extracellular ROS probe; fluoresces upon oxidation
 + PMA → Stimulates ROS production by PMNs

➢ After 2 h, supernatant removed & fluorescence quantified

Background Fluorescence of WBG

Condition	Equivalent fluorescein MF (nM)
L-WBG	~5.5
No WBG	~3.5

- Addition of WBG to media produced a significant increase in background fluorescence

Condition	Equivalent fluorescein MF (nM)
L-WBG	~10
M-WBG	~17
S-WBG	~15
No WBG	~11

- Taking into account background fluorescence of Wound-Be-Gone, a decrease in detected ROS can be seen with the addition of L-WBG

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Summary

- ROS and IRI is and will be a growing area of research and clinical study
- Significant impact on Wound Care.... And...
- Need to understand ROS theory and the impact of current technologies

Thank You...