

MRI-BASED MULTIPARAMETRIC CARDIAC STRAIN ANALYSIS OF MYOCARDIAL VIABILITY

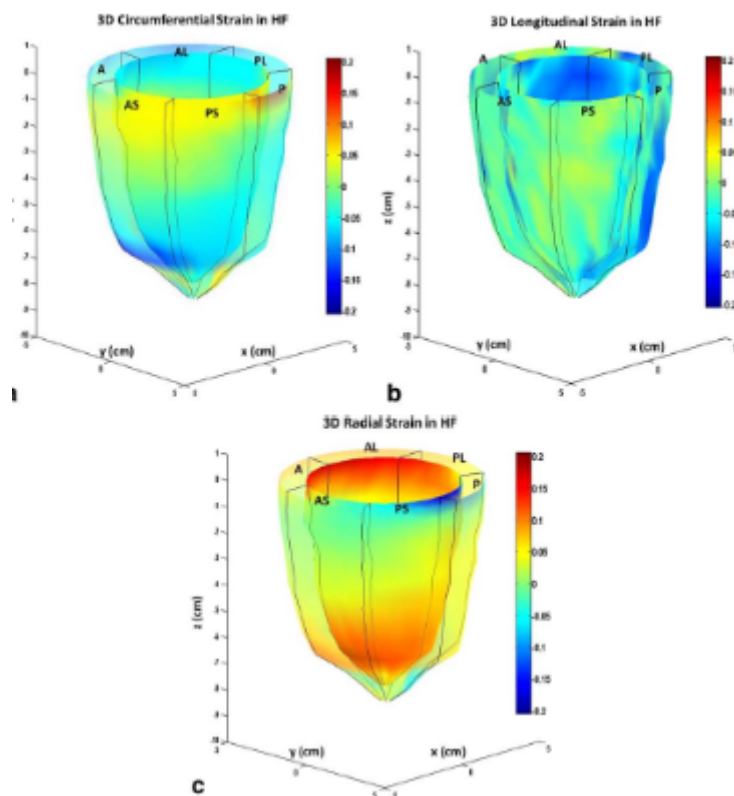
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Background: Assessing left ventricle (LV) cardiac contractile function is a good indicator of overall heart health and is used to determine which patients are good candidates for revascularization surgery. With over 3 million new coronary artery disease patients annually and over 1 million annual revascularization surgeries in the US, there is need for an improved, non-invasive technique to quantitatively assess LV contractile function.

Technology Description: A team led by Dr. Michael Pasque has developed cardiac MRI-based multiparametric strain analysis techniques to provide quantitative assessments of LV contractile function. The patented techniques and Normal Human Strain Database may be used as a screening mechanism to non-invasively assess heart function or to assess cardiac tissue viability to inform revascularization surgeries.



Key Advantages:

- Uses **non-invasive** MRI imaging to assess heart function
- Provides an **objective, quantitative** measure of LV contractile function
- Provides **localized information**

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Intellectual Property:

- [Method for quantitatively mapping myocardial contractile function with magnetic resonance based multiparametric strain analysis](#) (US Patent No. 9,176,211; WUSTL Case #T006692)
- [Systems and methods for measuring cardiac strain](#) (Published PCT WO2016065159, Allowed claims in the U.S.; WUSTL Case #T014564)