

Venous reservoir in corporation with  
compliance chamber facilities  
the management of cardiopulmonary  
bypass with closed circuit.

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# Background

- Minimized Extracorporeal Circulation (MECC) has been used as a closed circuit without blood reservoir, which enables to reduce priming volume, and to decrease damage for blood components owing to no contact to air.
- However, closed circuit has a drawback that perfusion flow rate tend to be unstable as blood volume decrease, which causes change in pressure inside circuit.

# Past Mini-CPB

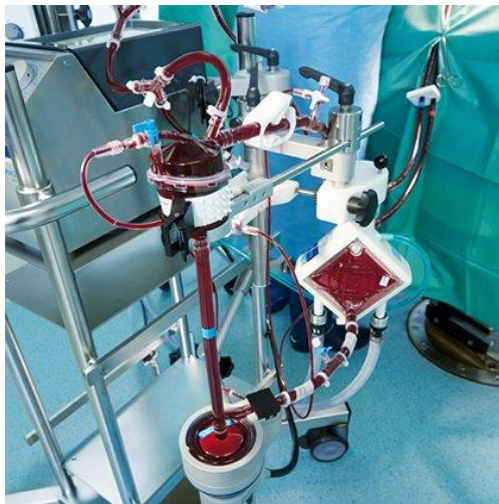
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MECC SYSTEM



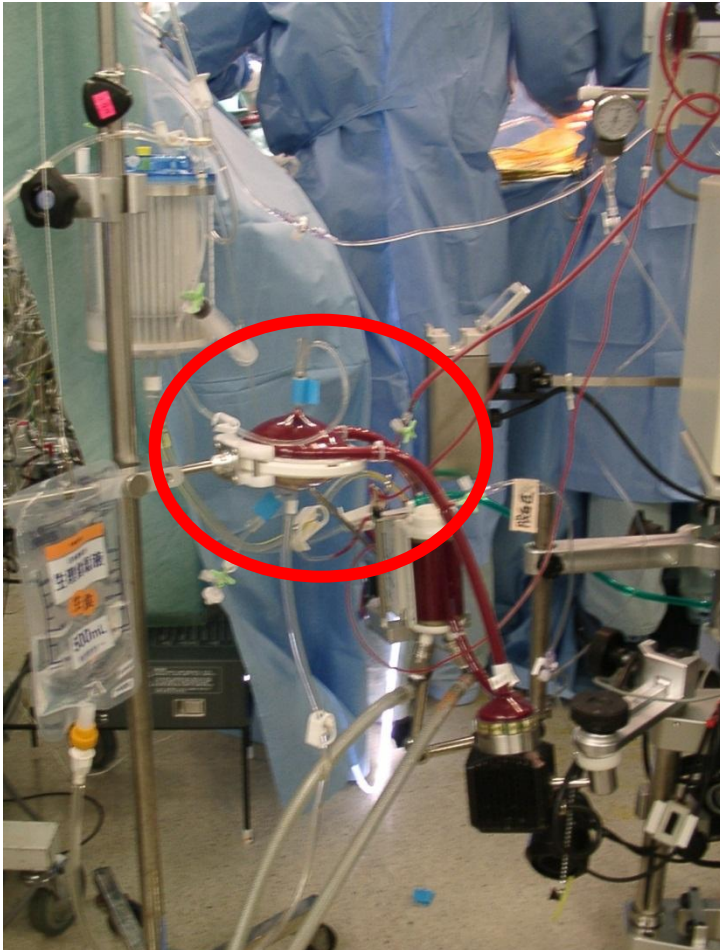
Medtronic  
Resting Heart® System



TERUMO  
Emergency Bypass System

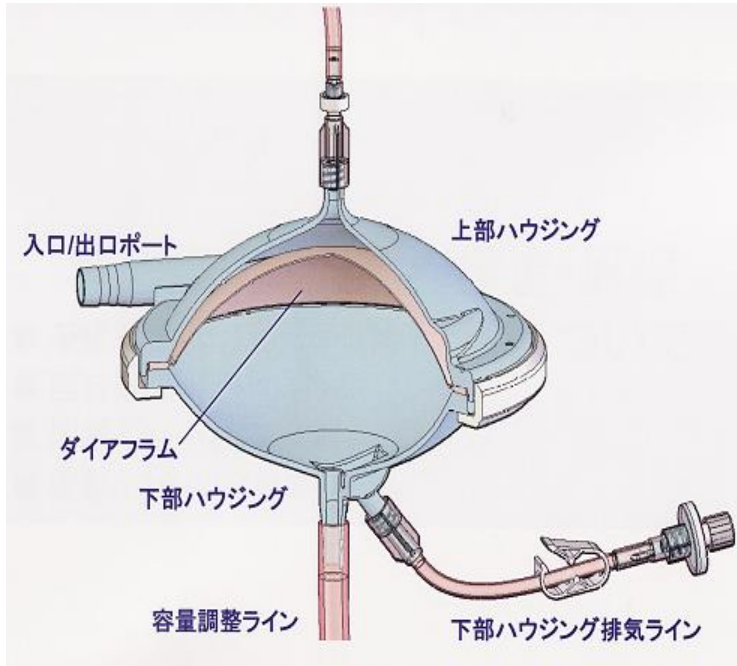


# venous reservoir with compliance chamber (VRCC)



- The venous reservoir in corporation with compliance chamber (JMS Co. Japan) is one of solution for unstable perfusion flow rate.
- This system consists of compliance chamber and venous reservoir of 400 ml.
- We examined performance of this system to mimic clinical settings using mock circulation.

# VRCC is characteristic and structure



## ☆ Upper part housing (the blood side)

a blood retention part becomes the turning style, there is not stay of the blood.

→ Heparin decrease

simple air bubbles separation function.

→ air removal possibility

## ☆ Lower part housing (the sodium solution side)

Space to use it for the adjustment of the circulation blood volume.

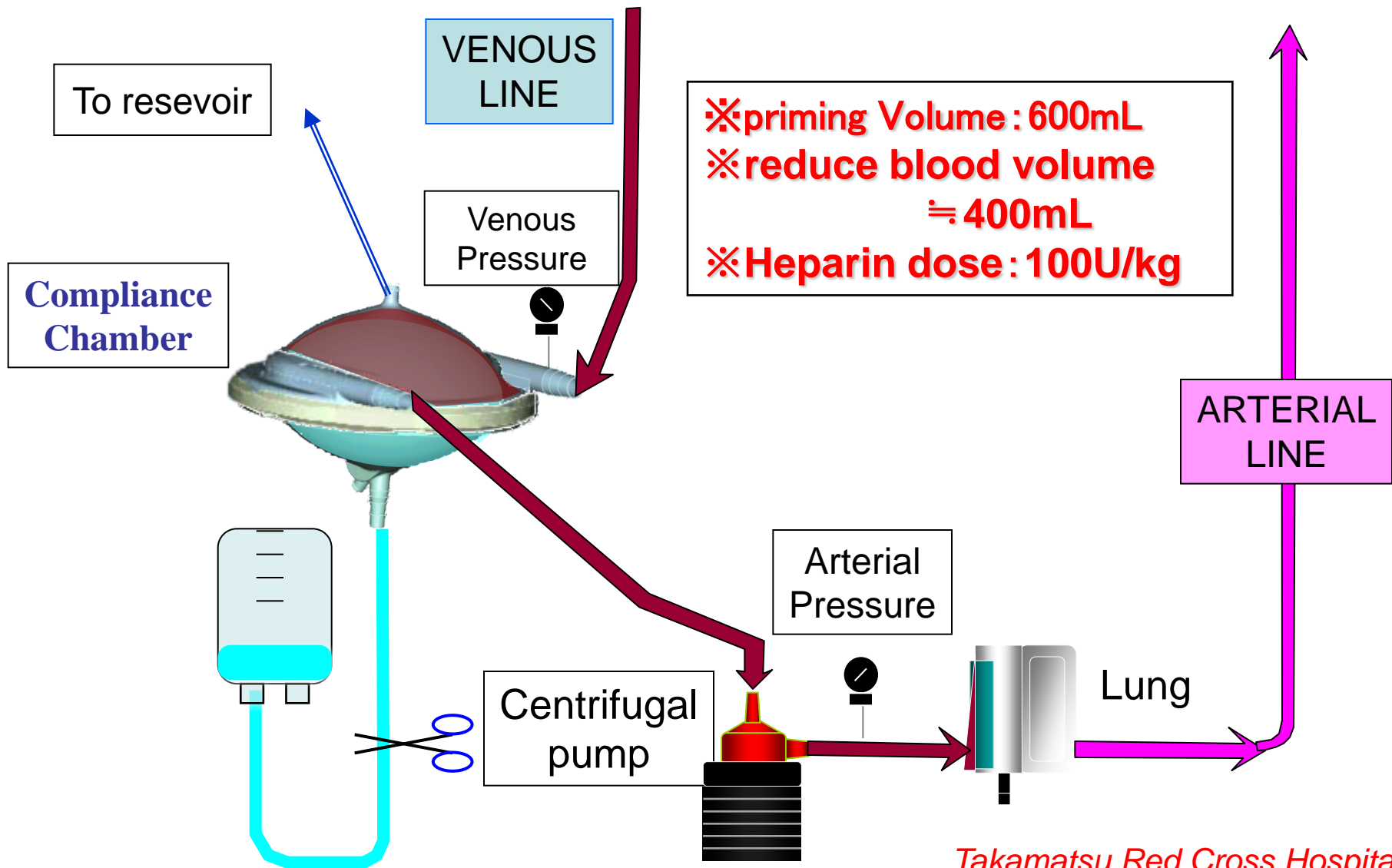
(approximately 400 ml of de-blood possibility)

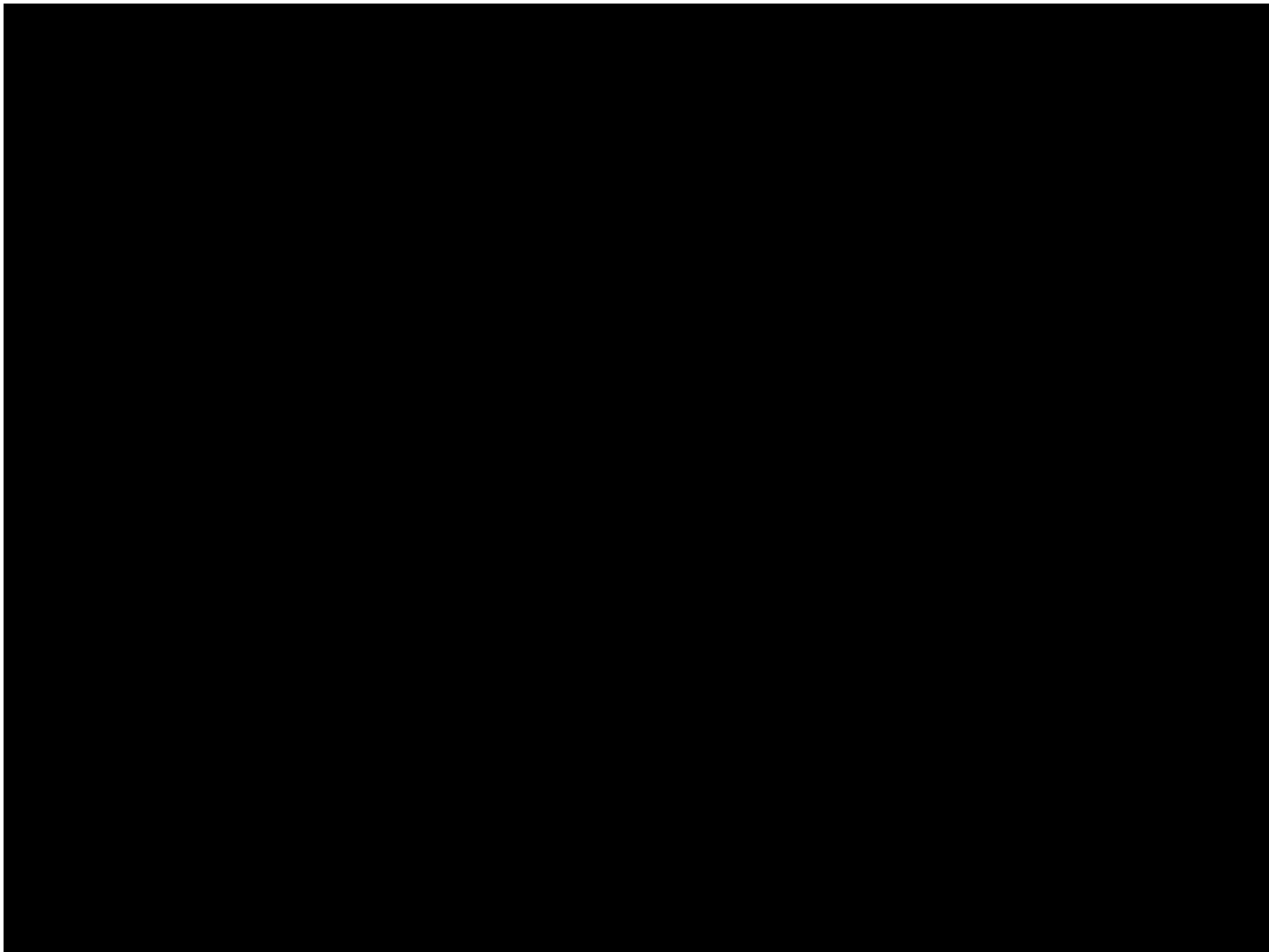
→ easy volume shift

☆ Diaphragm : The lower part housing filled with isotonic solution functions as the compliance chamber through the diaphragm, corresponding to changes in blood volume and internal pressure inside circuit.

→ Stability of the circulation change

# Venous reservoir with compliance chamber (VRCC) and mini-closed circuit





# Methods (Mock circuit)

Simulation of the living body



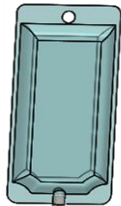
**50mL Sampling**

Softbag ①

Softbag ②

Adjustment clamp

Centrifugal Pump ②  
⇒ Simulation of the Arterial Pressure



Compliance Chamber

P1

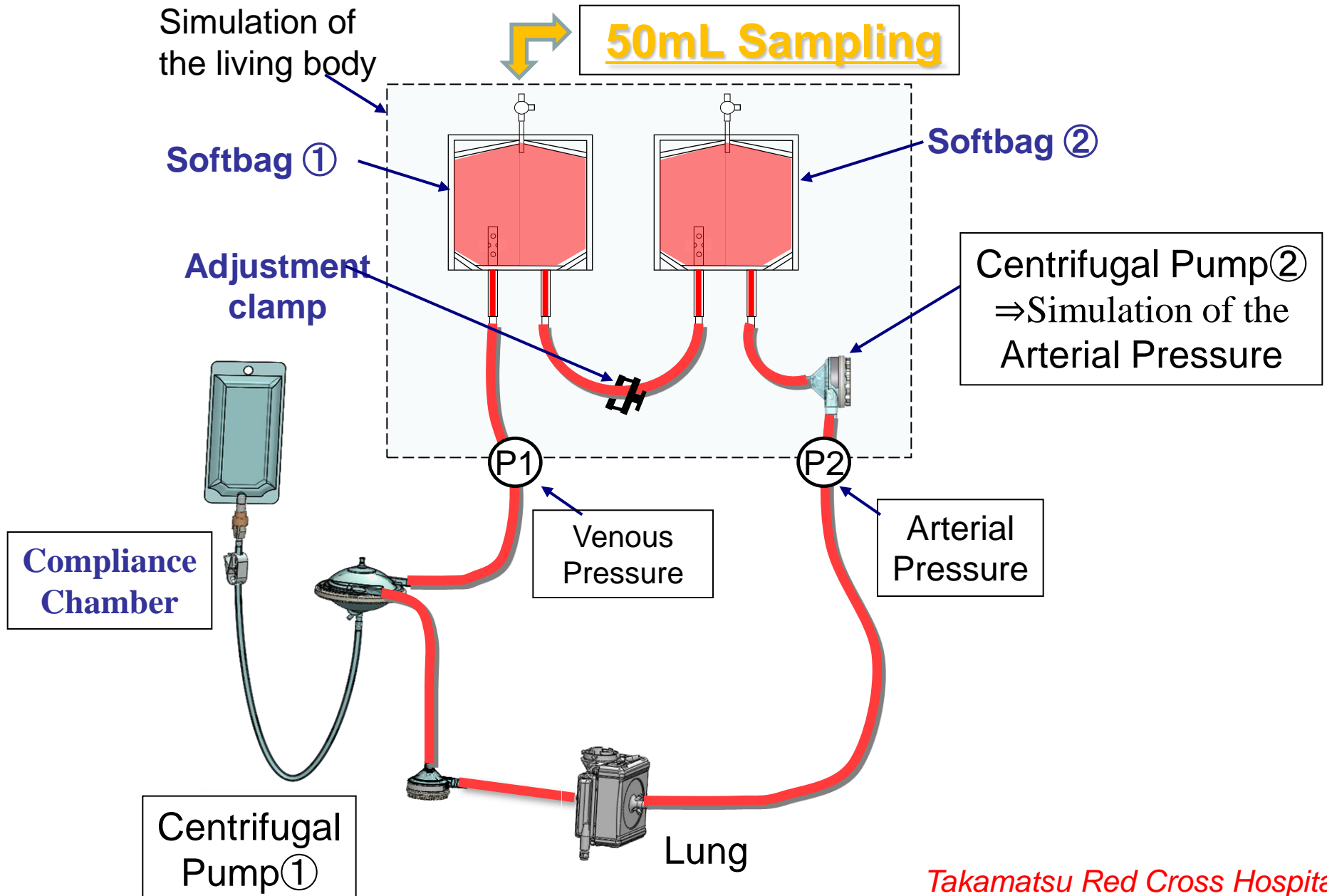
Venous Pressure

P2

Arterial Pressure

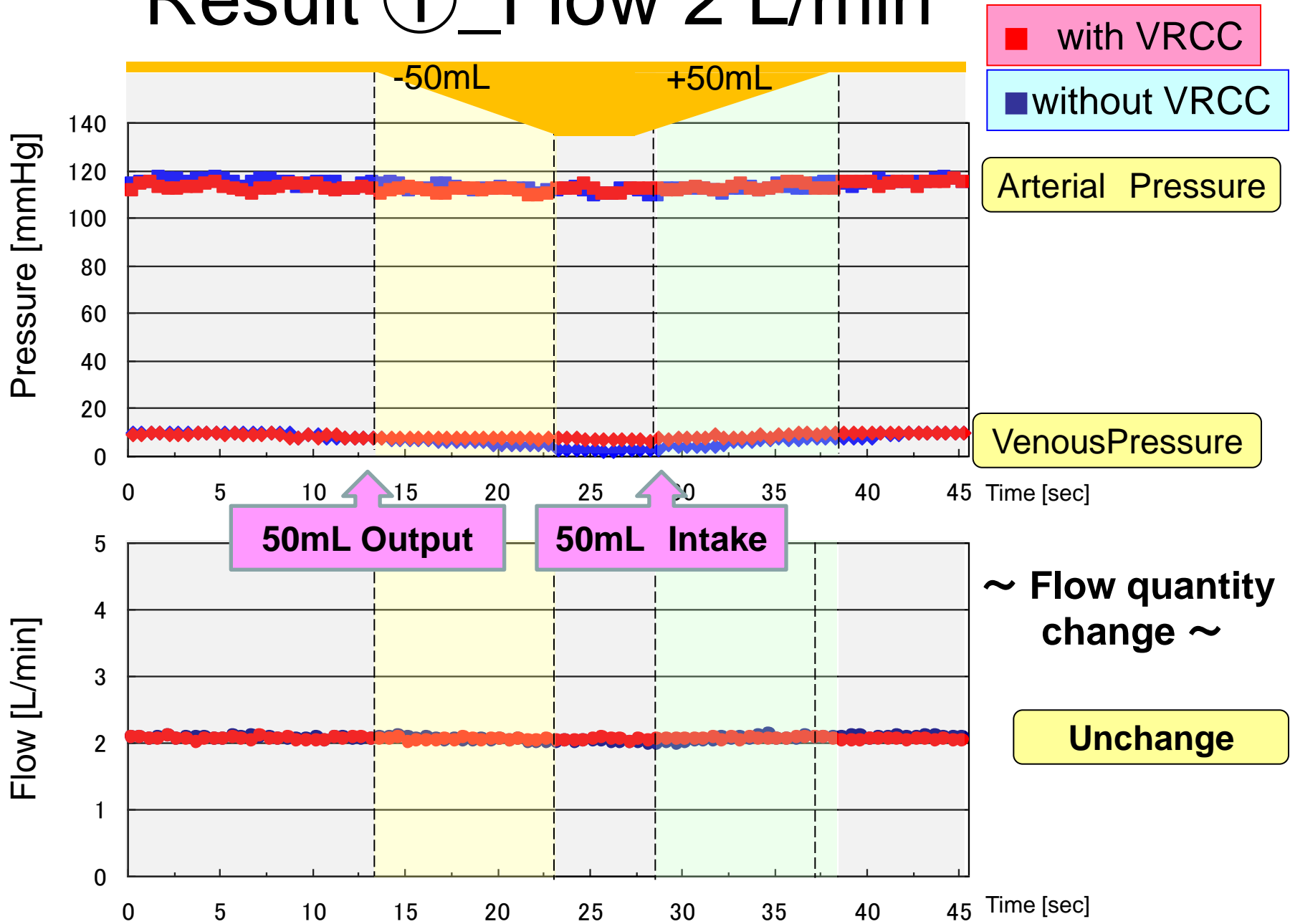
Centrifugal Pump ①

Lung

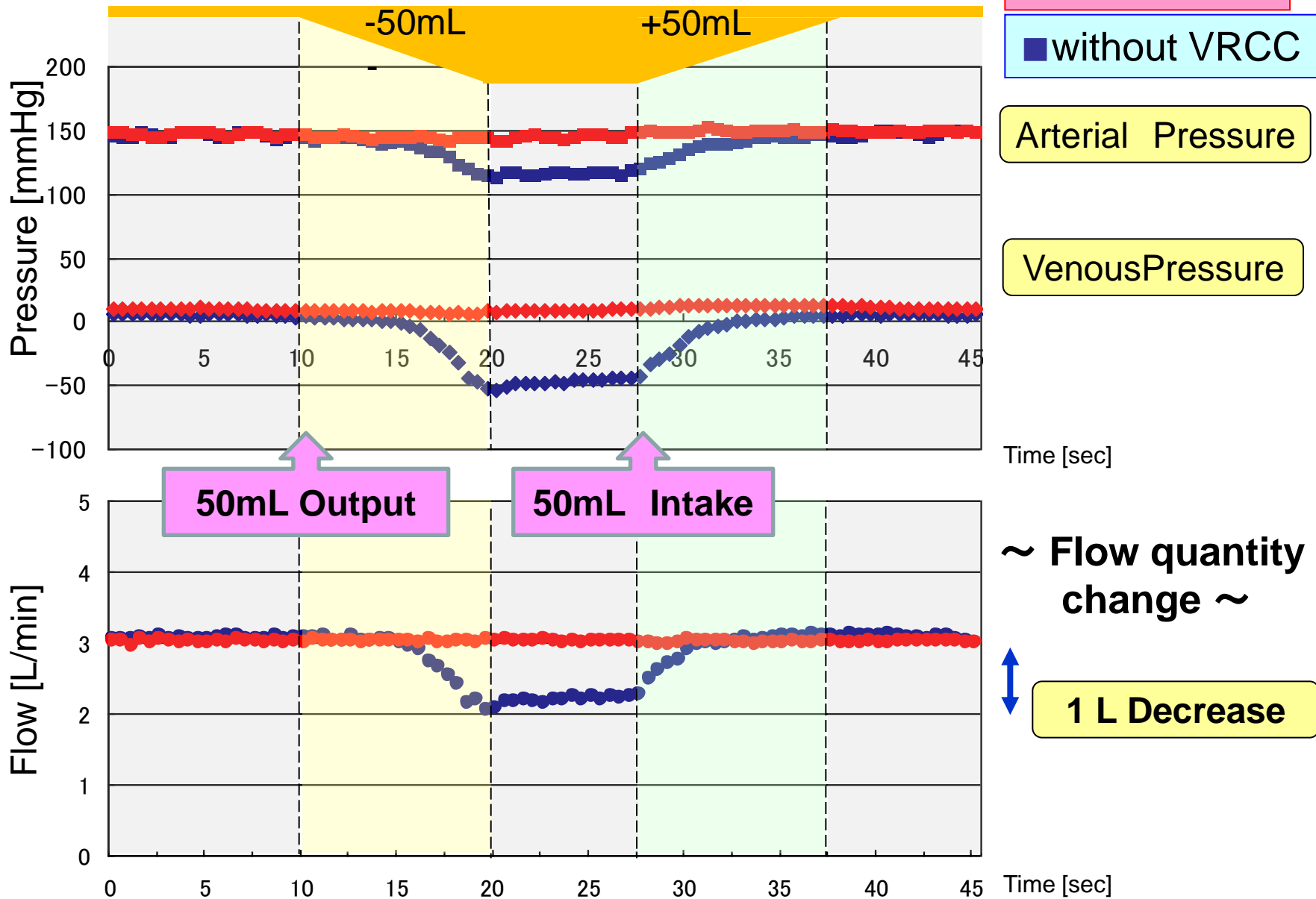




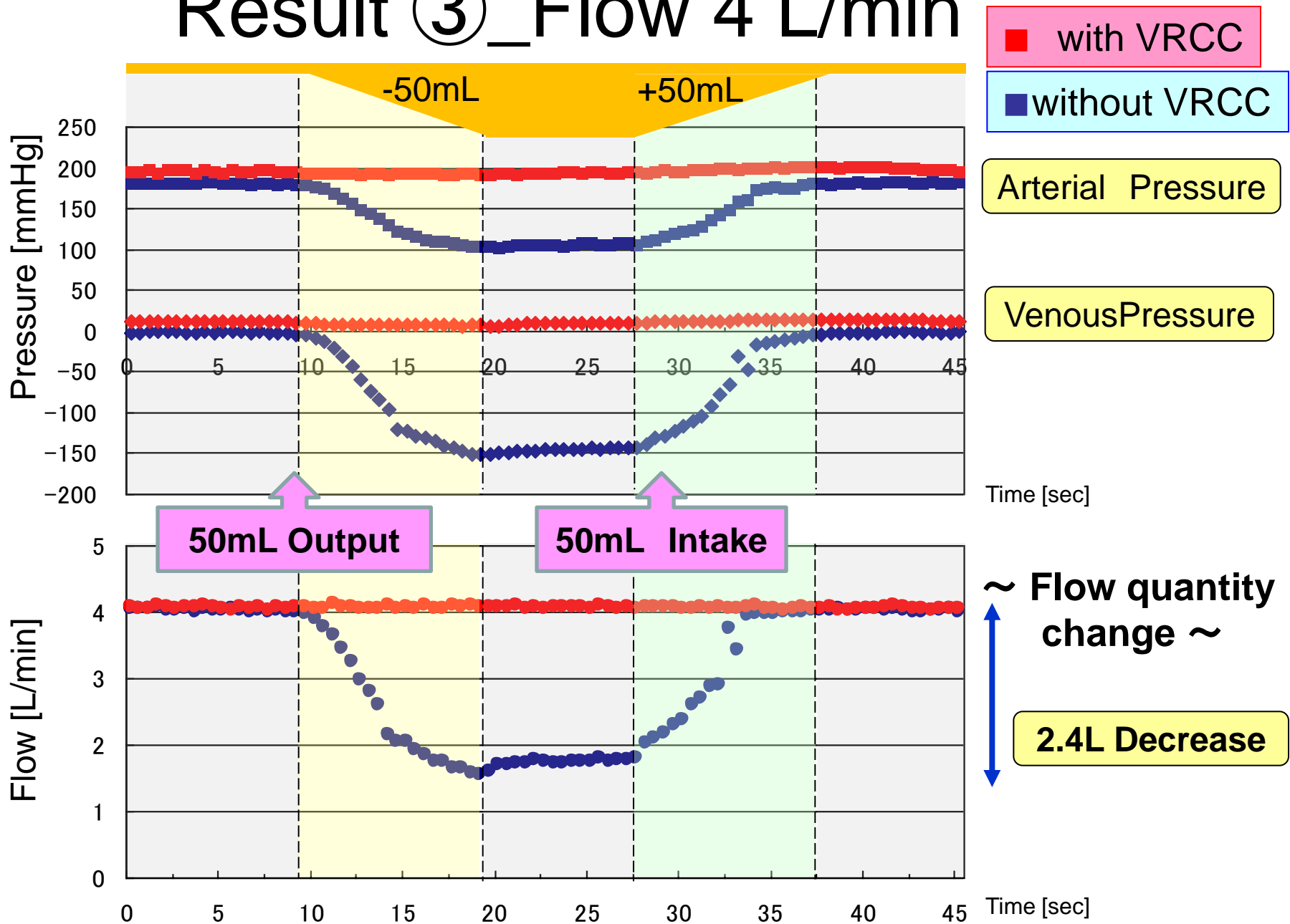
# Result ①\_Flow 2 L/min



# Result ②\_Flow 3 L/min



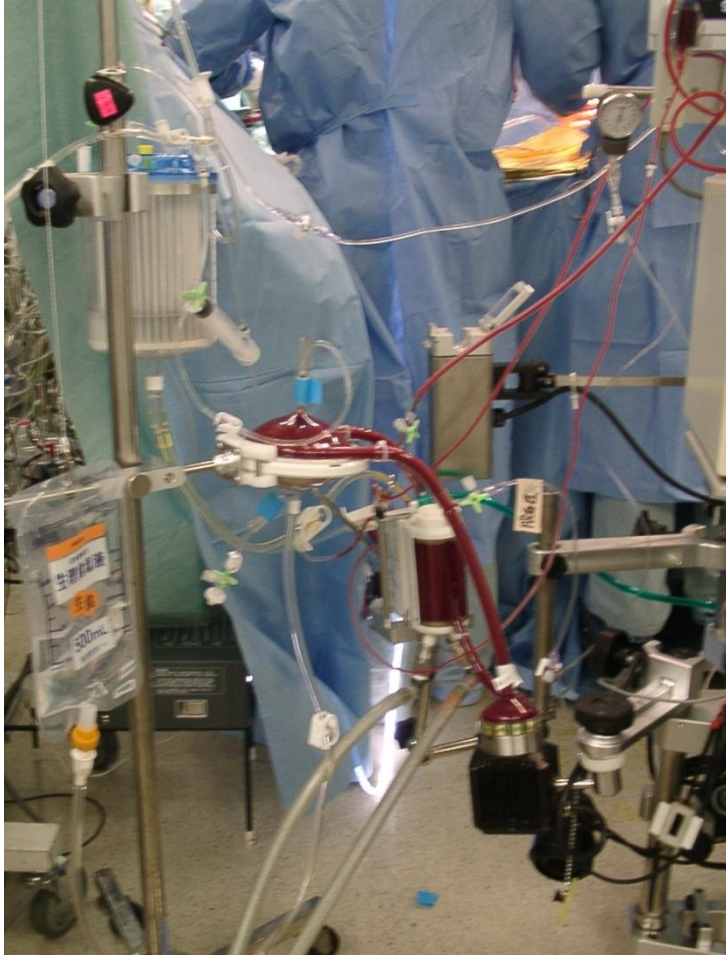
# Result ③\_Flow 4 L/min



# Summary of the result

1. At the flow rate of **2 L / min**, there were no changes of flow rate during the volume shift between with and without the VRCC system.
2. At the flow rate of **3 L / min**, volume shift caused decrease in flow rate down to 2L/min without the VRCC, while no change of flow rate with the VRCC.
3. At the flow rate of **4L / min**, volume shift induced further decrease in flow rate down to 1.6 L/min without the VRCC, again while little change with the VRCC.

# Summary of the clinical experience



We experienced on-pump beating CABG 53 cases

A man: Woman = 39:14

The average age:  $71 \pm 10$

BSA:  $1.64 \pm 0.15 \text{ m}^2$

CPB time:  $160 \pm 60 \text{ min}$

dialysis, CAPD patient: 14

IABP : 9

Bypass number:  $3 \pm 0.73$

There were no troubles in spite of emergency and severe cases .

# Conclusion

- The VRCC system provides stable perfusion rate inside the closed circuit, even when the volume shift happens, because the compliance chamber follows the venous volume shift.
- This system contributed to perform cardiac operation using MECC system.