

CONTRAST FFR (cFFR)

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CONTRAST STUDY: Background

- When measuring FFR, for practical reasons it is advocated presently by some investigators to skip hyperemia
 - This happens at the cost of diagnostic accuracy
 - Contrast injections are intrinsic part of any diagnostic angiogram or PCI
 - Contrast agent is known to induce short-lasting hyperemia, but is less well investigated as i.c. adenosine
- **P_d/P_a** measurement after regular contrast injection could be more accurate and easier than relying upon resting indices like iFR and **P_d/P_a** at rest
and specifically unmask significant stenosis missed by iFR (young patients, proximal lesions, large coron arteries)

CONTRAST FFR (cFFR)

several small studies:

	N	cut-off	accuracy
Leone, Eurointervention 2014	80 (104)	0.83	91%
Baptista, Eur H J 2014 (abstract)	66 (98)	0.84	91%
Spagnoli, Eurointervention 2014	47 (65)	0.85	88%

Notes: - accuracy compared to FFR of 0.80

- Leone and Baptista: cut-off by ROC, i.e. retrospectively, like resting indices

- Spagnoli: 2-step approach with prospective validation

CONTRAST STUDY: Aims

cFFR (contrast FFR) is defined as P_d/P_a after a regular single bolus of contrast as routinely used in coronary angiography

Aims of the CONTRAST study:

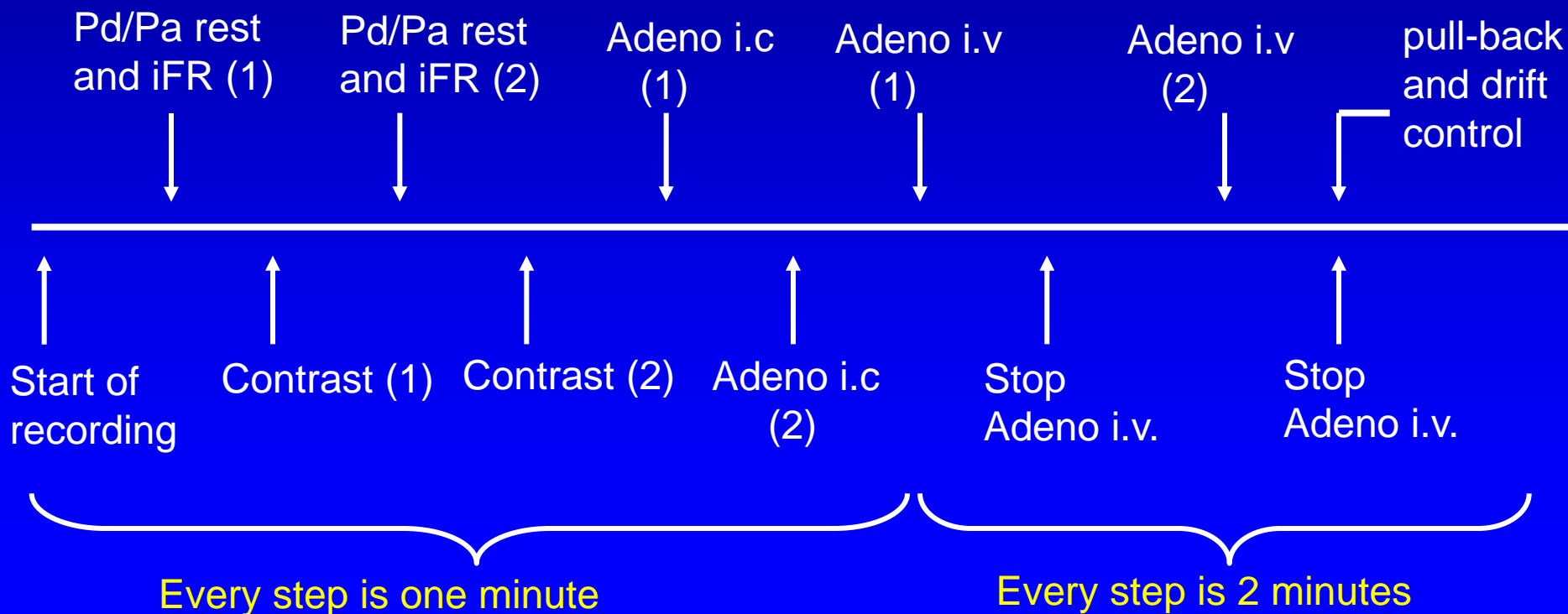
- how close is cFFR to true FFR ? (with ic or iv adenosine)
- how reproducible is cFFR ?
- is cFFR more accurate to predict true FFR than the purely resting indices: P_d/P_a rest and iFR
- reproducibility of all these indexes

CONTRAST STUDY: PATIENTS

- 750 patients > 18 years old, who undergo FFR for whatsoever reason
- no extremely calcified, tortuous vessels
no previous CABG
- enrollment in sept-nov 2014: 319 patients
expected to be completed march 2015
and to be presented at PCR

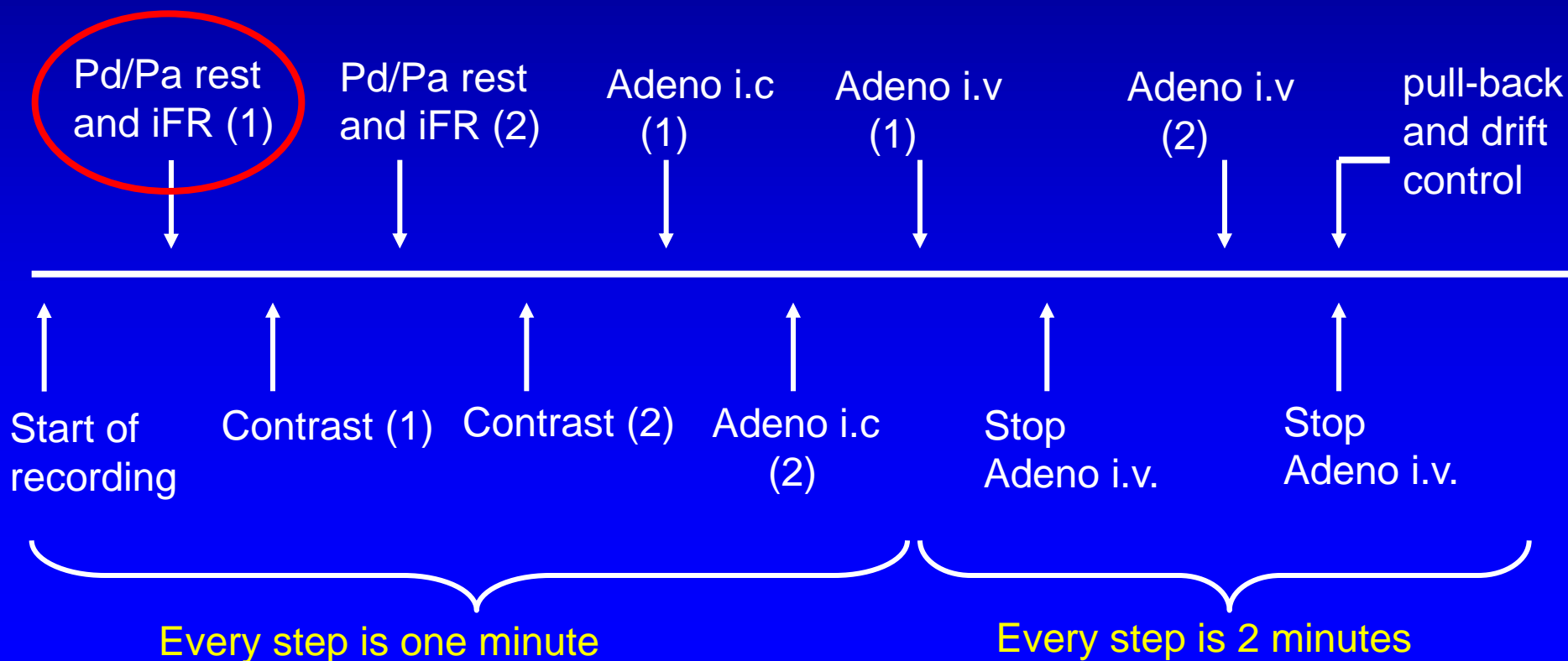
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- one long recording (14 minutes) as follows



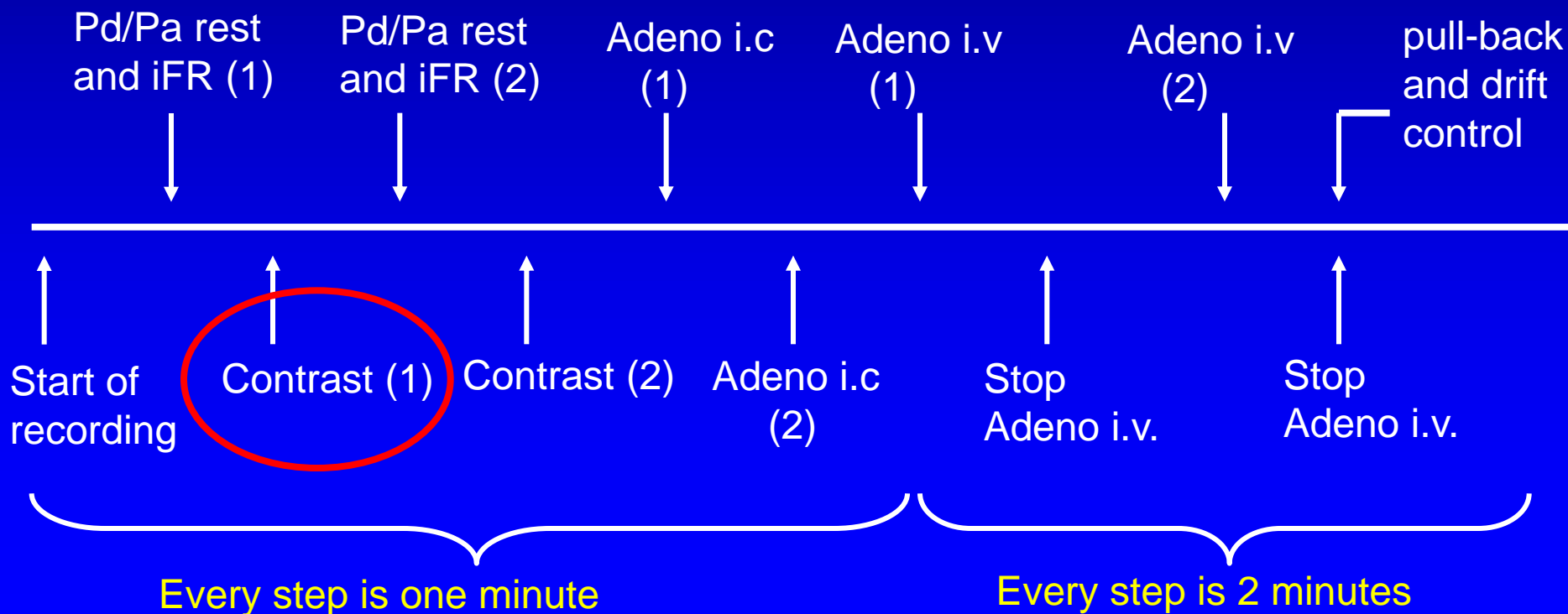
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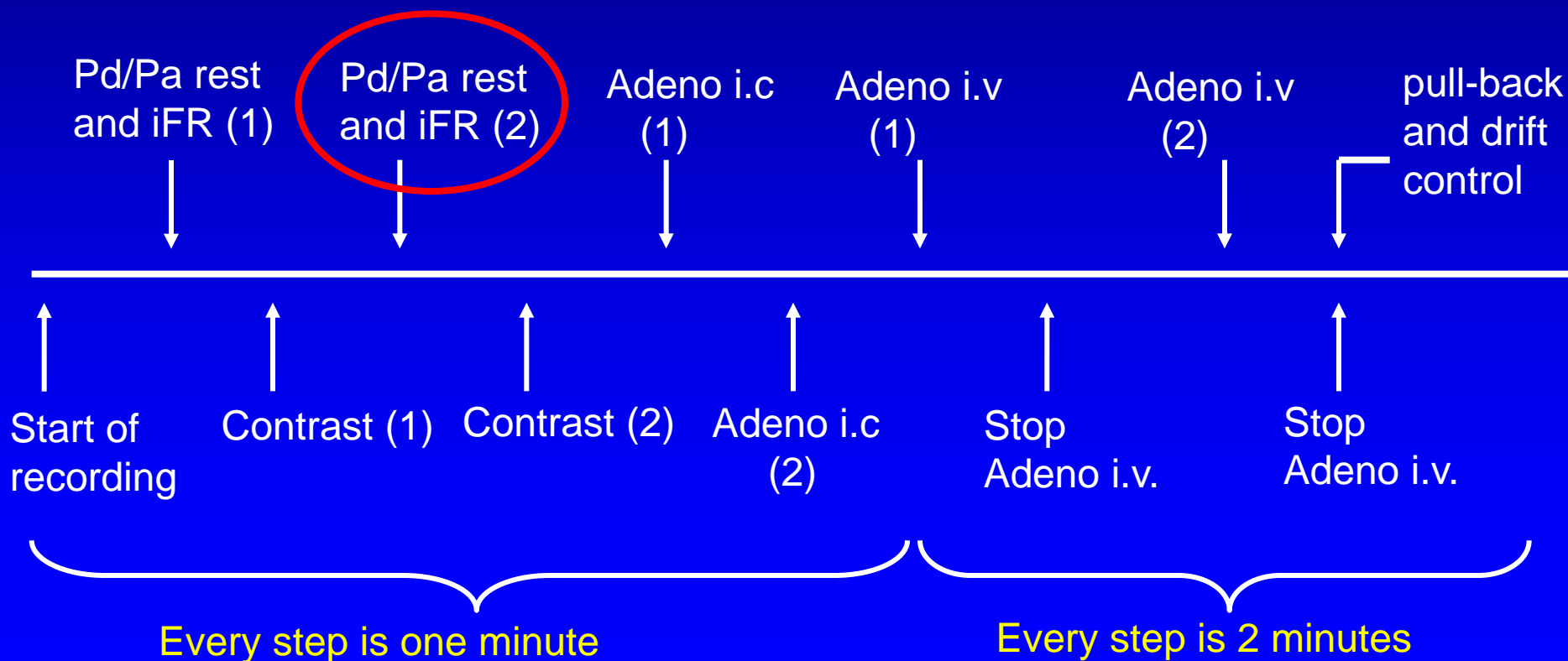
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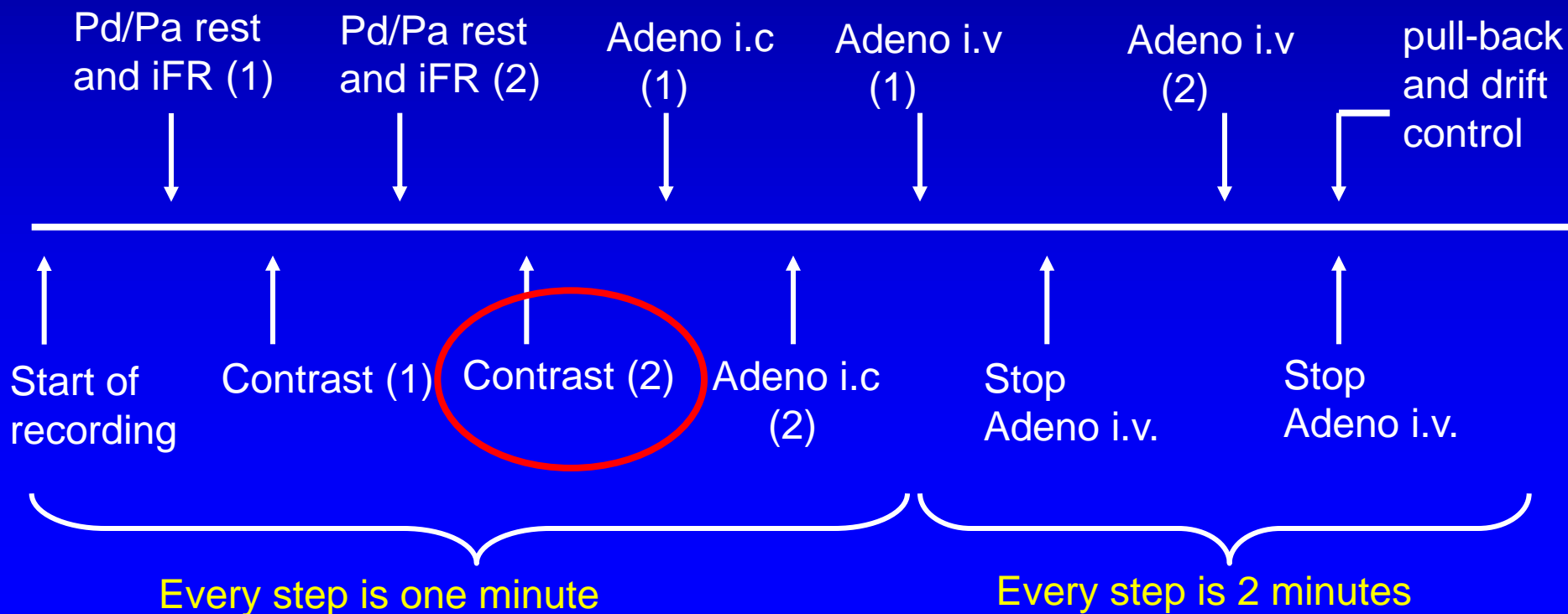
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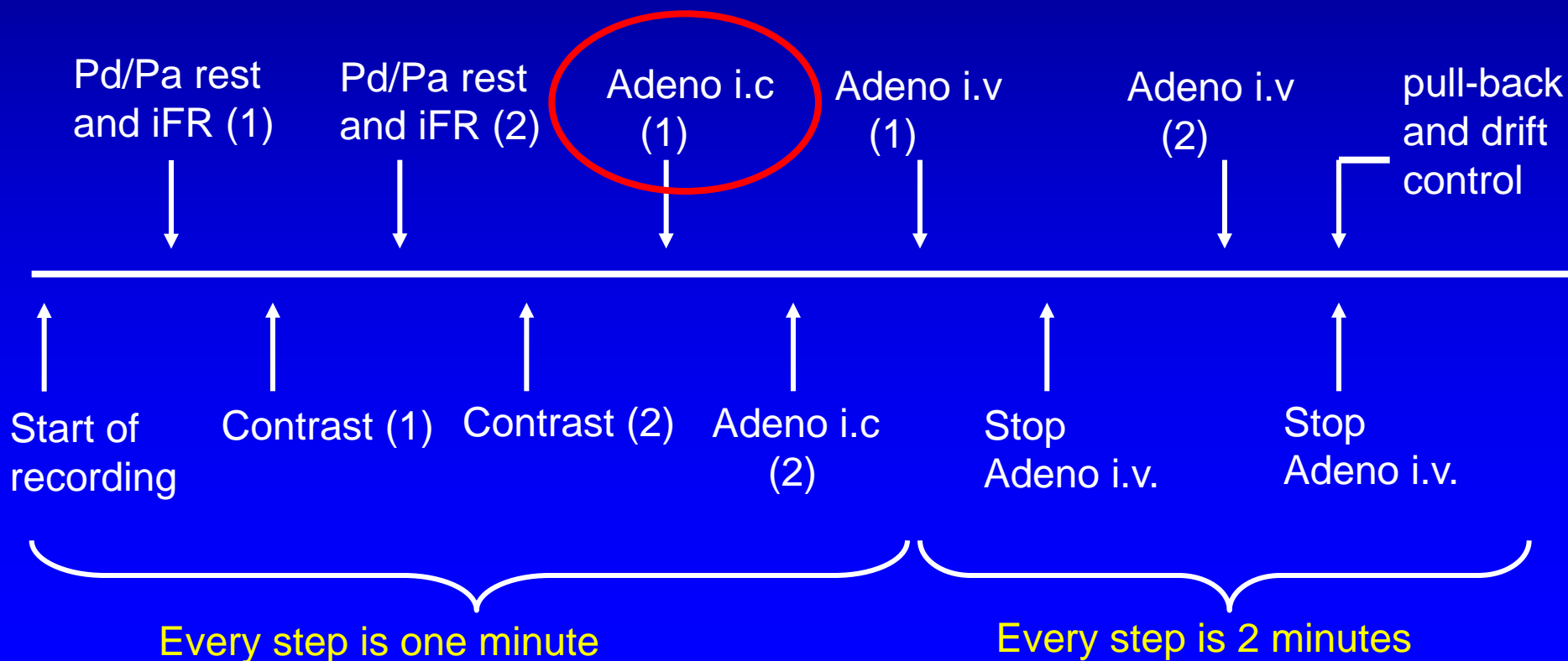
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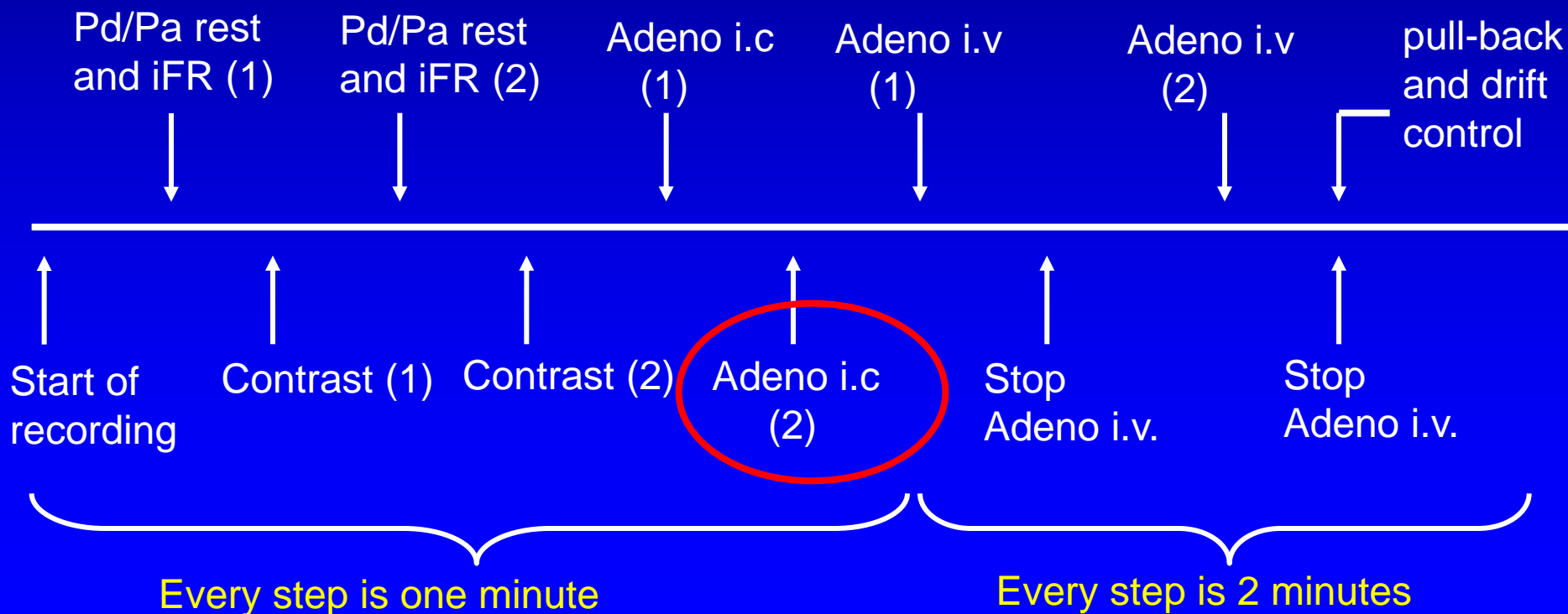
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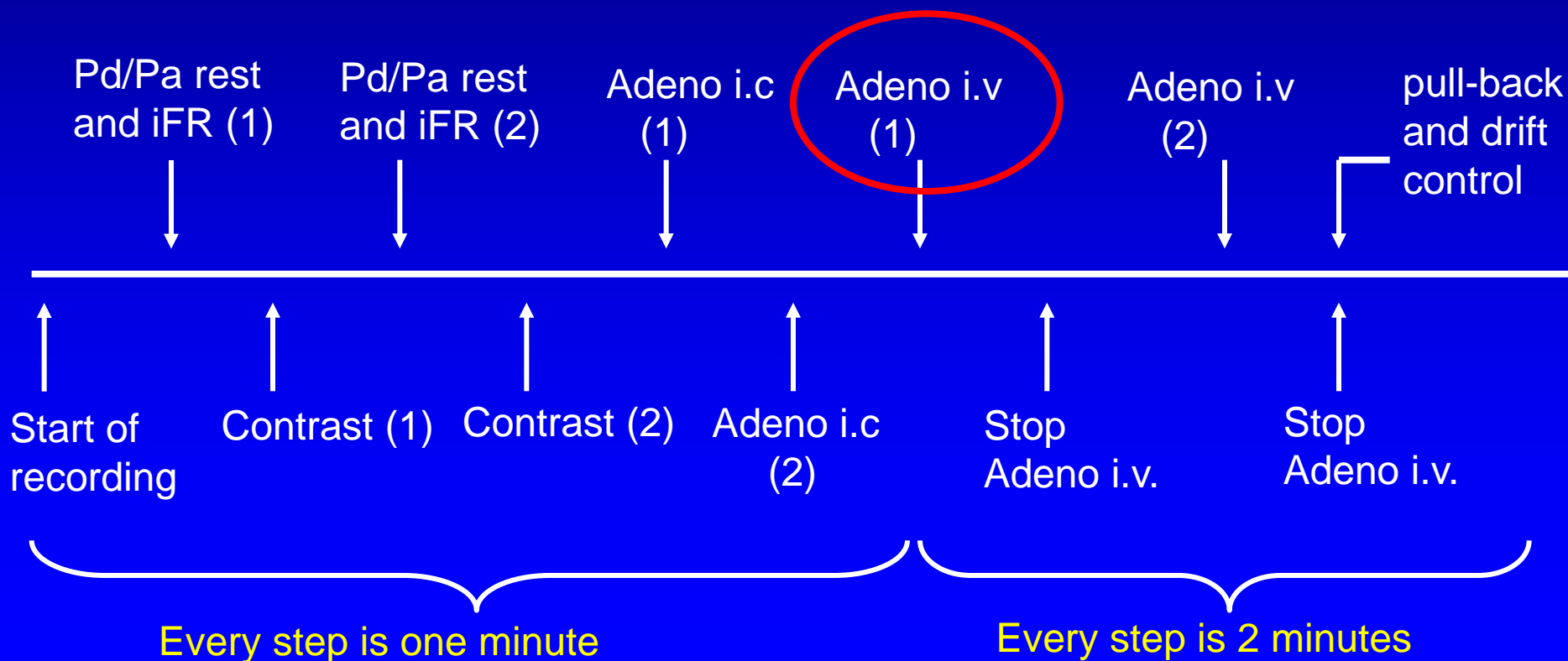
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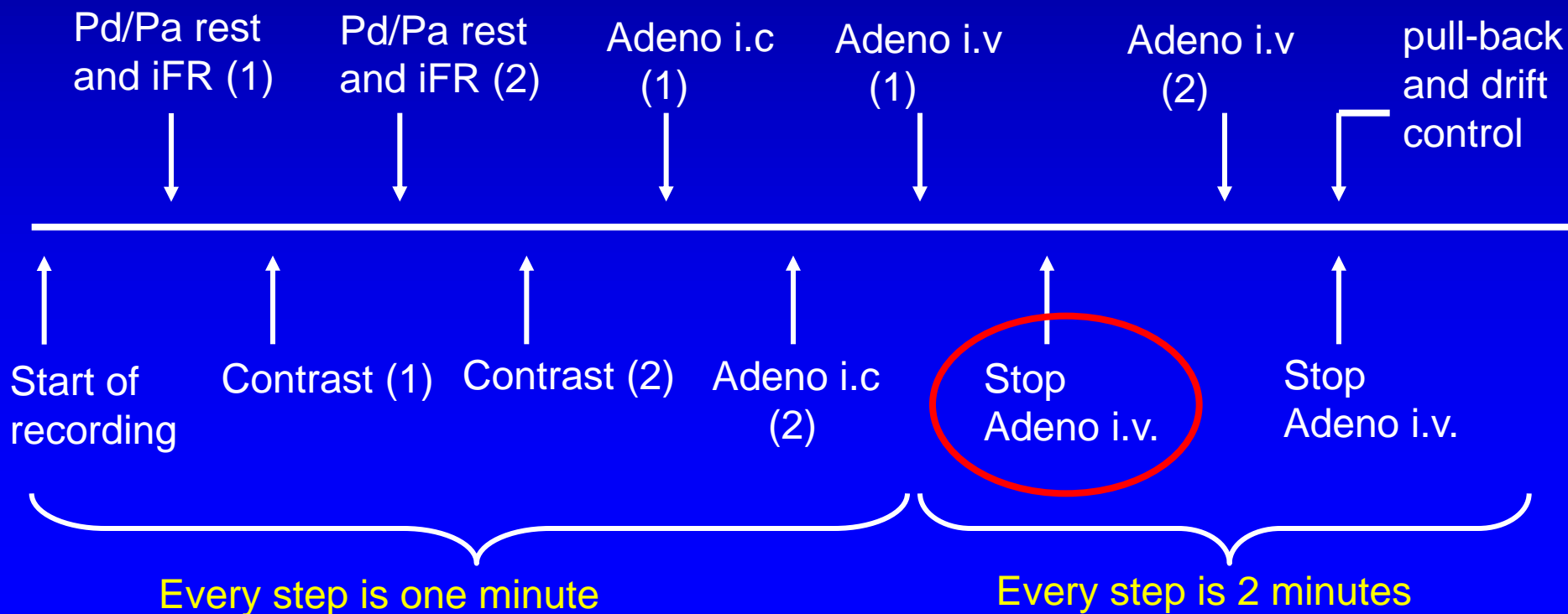
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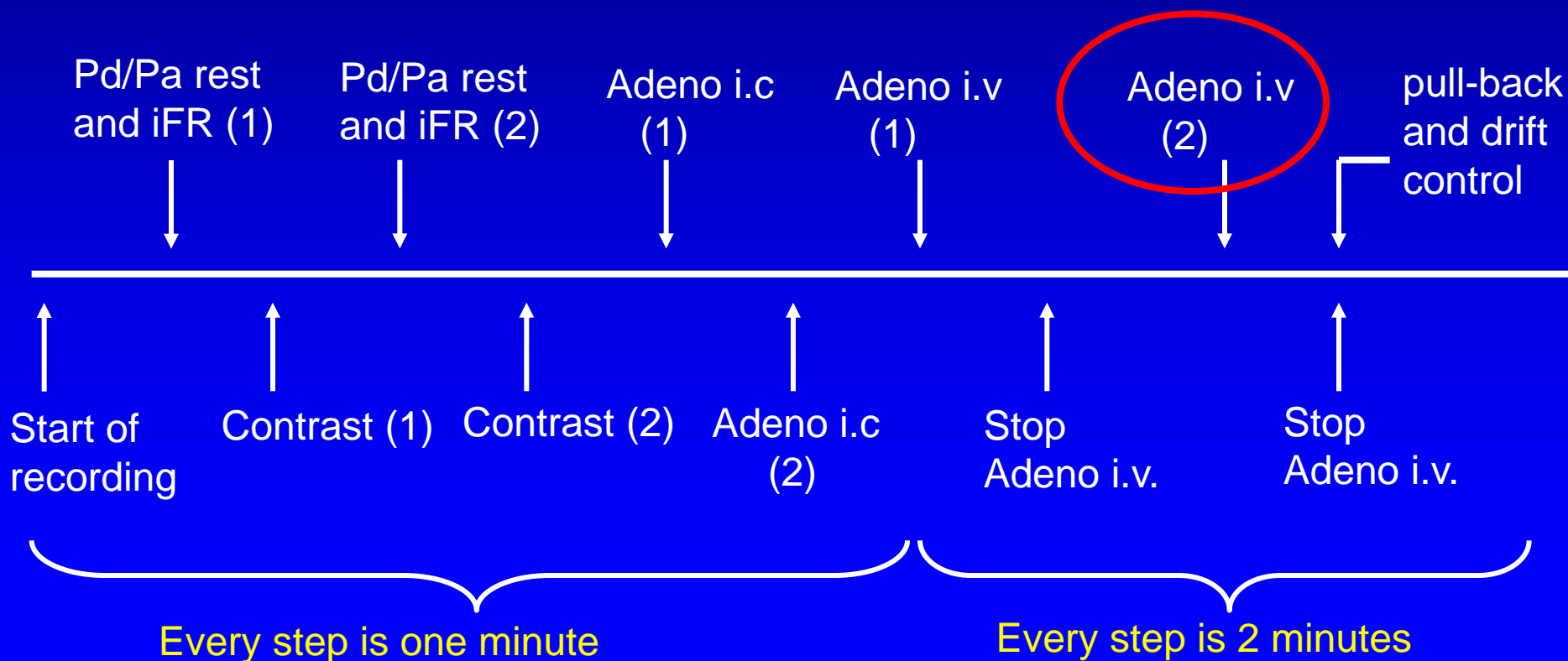
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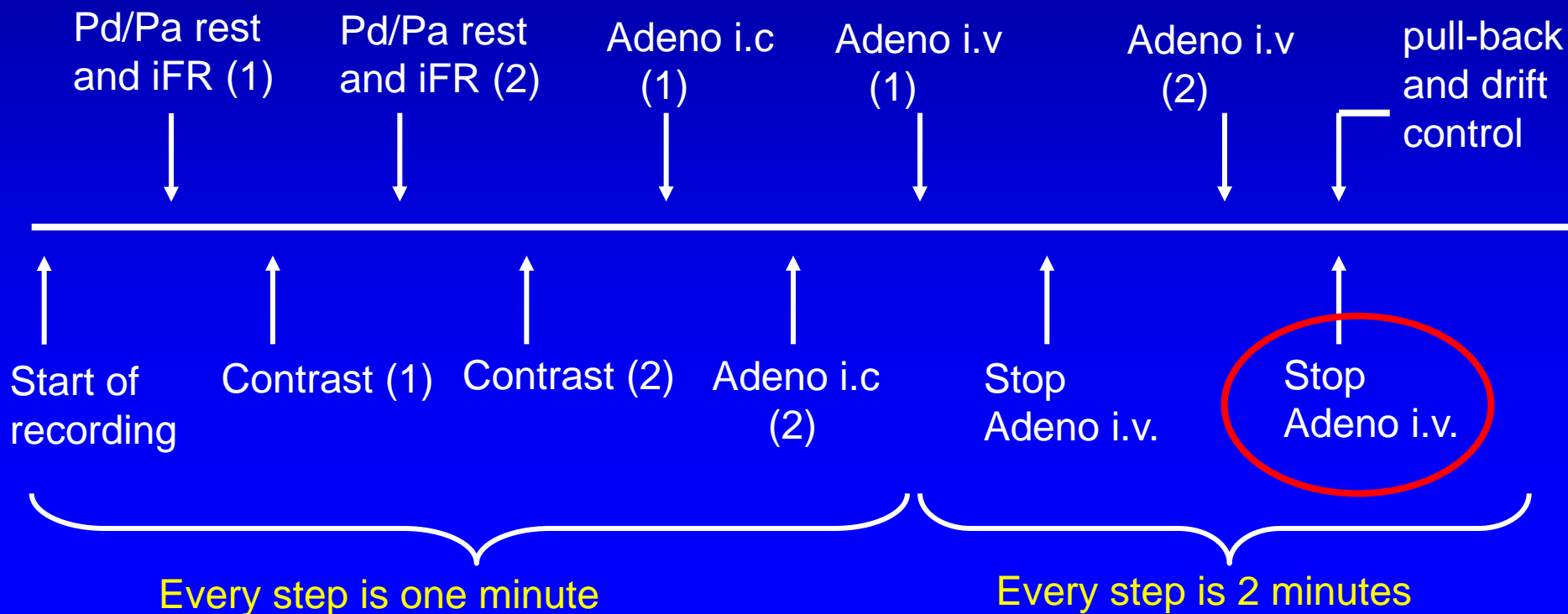
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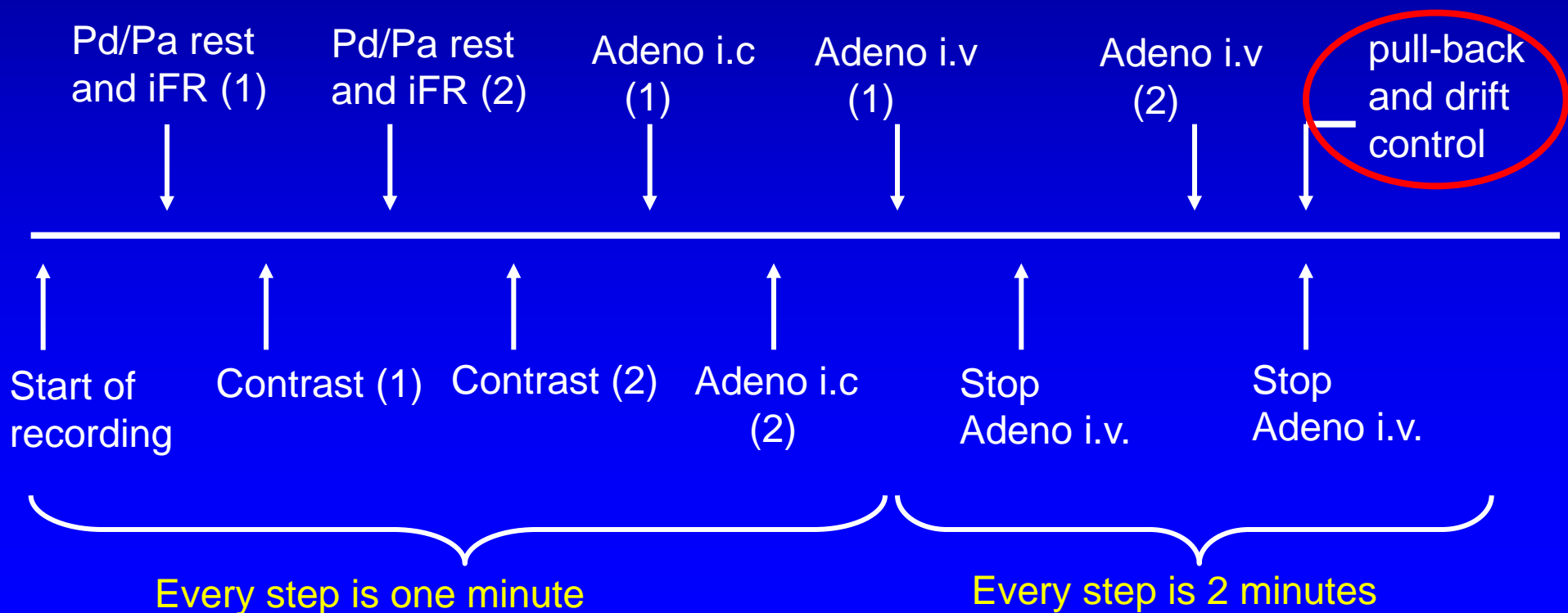
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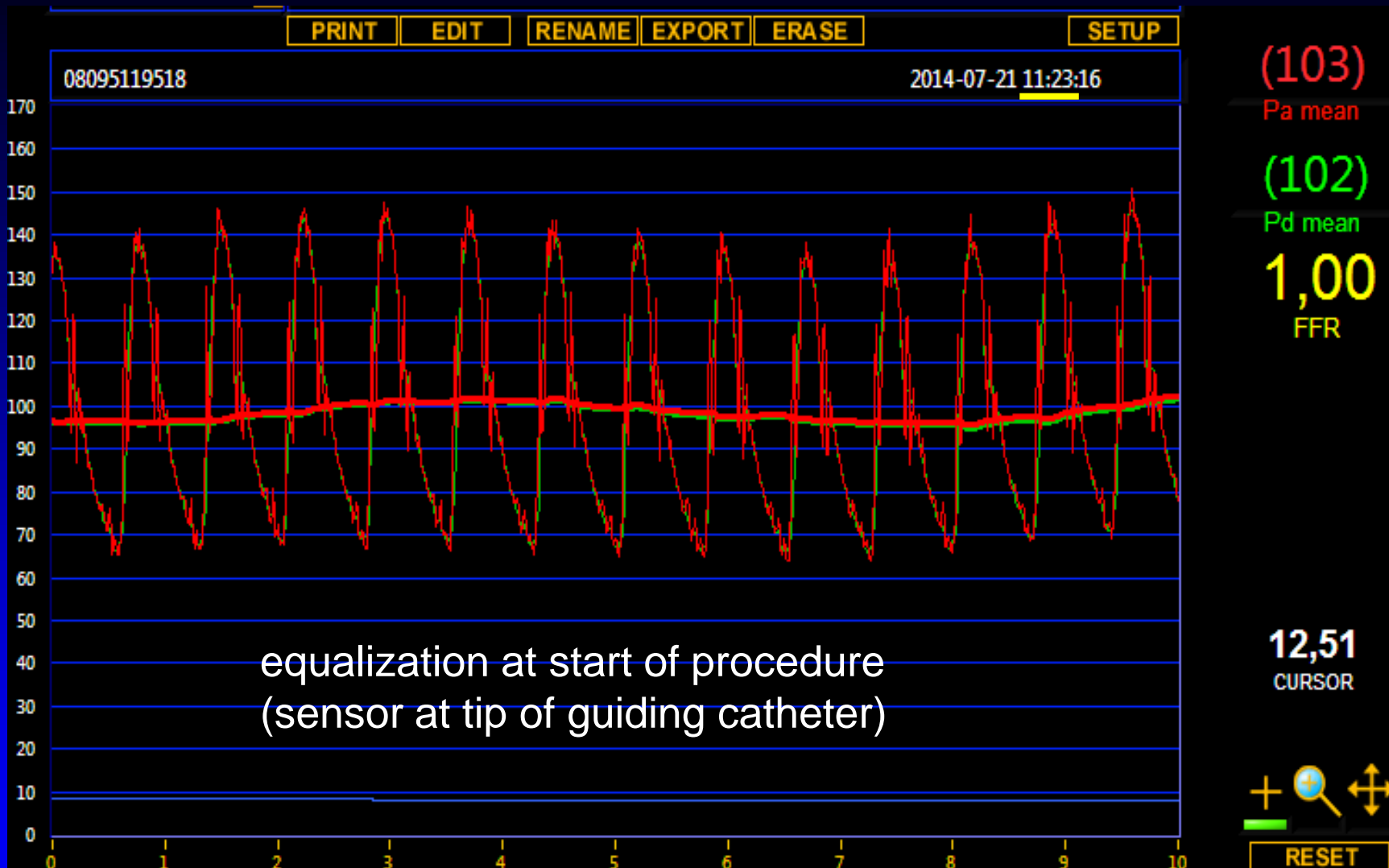


Male patient, 62 y old, angina class 3.

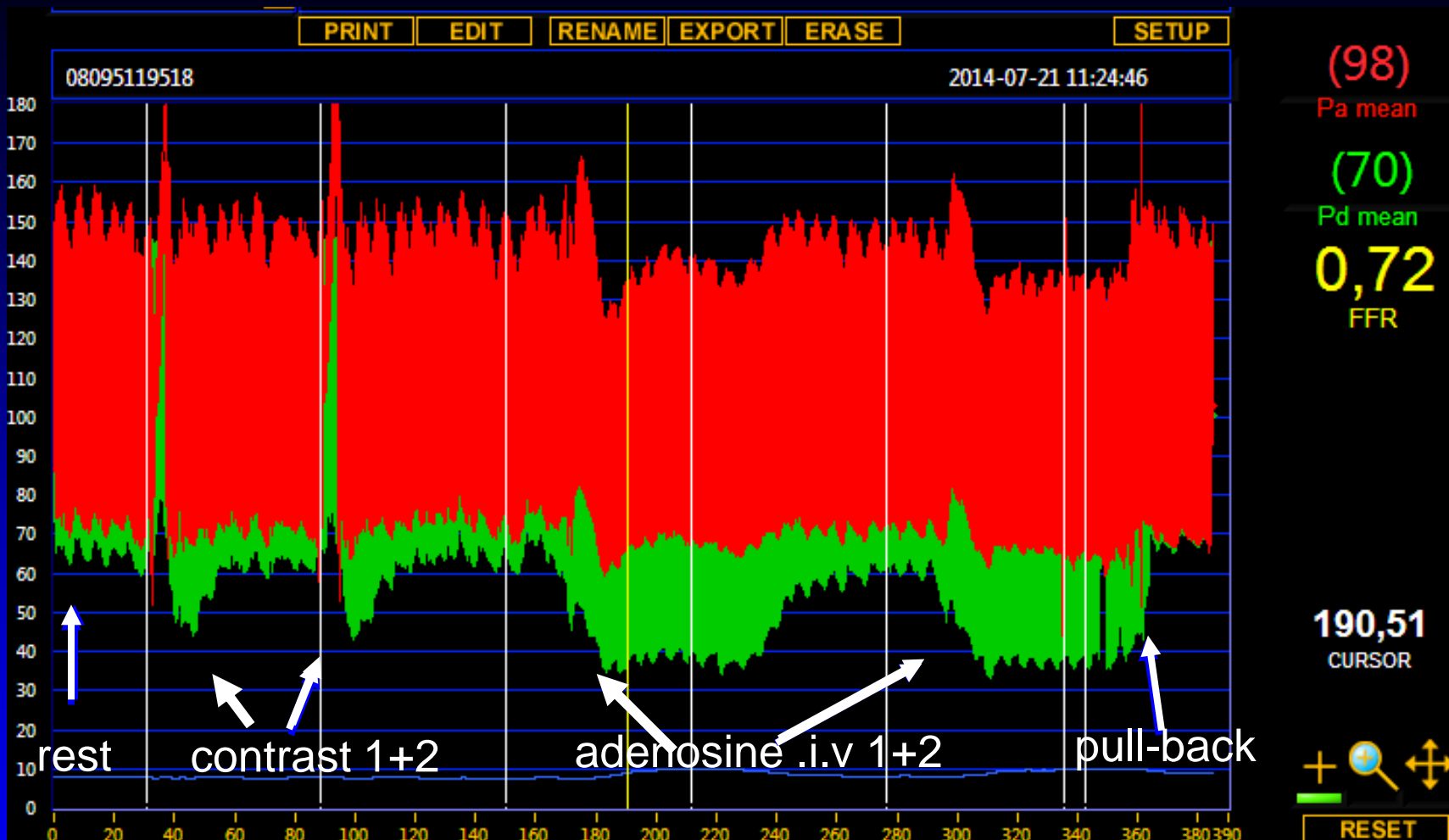
Prox LAD: 50-70%

IM branch: 80%

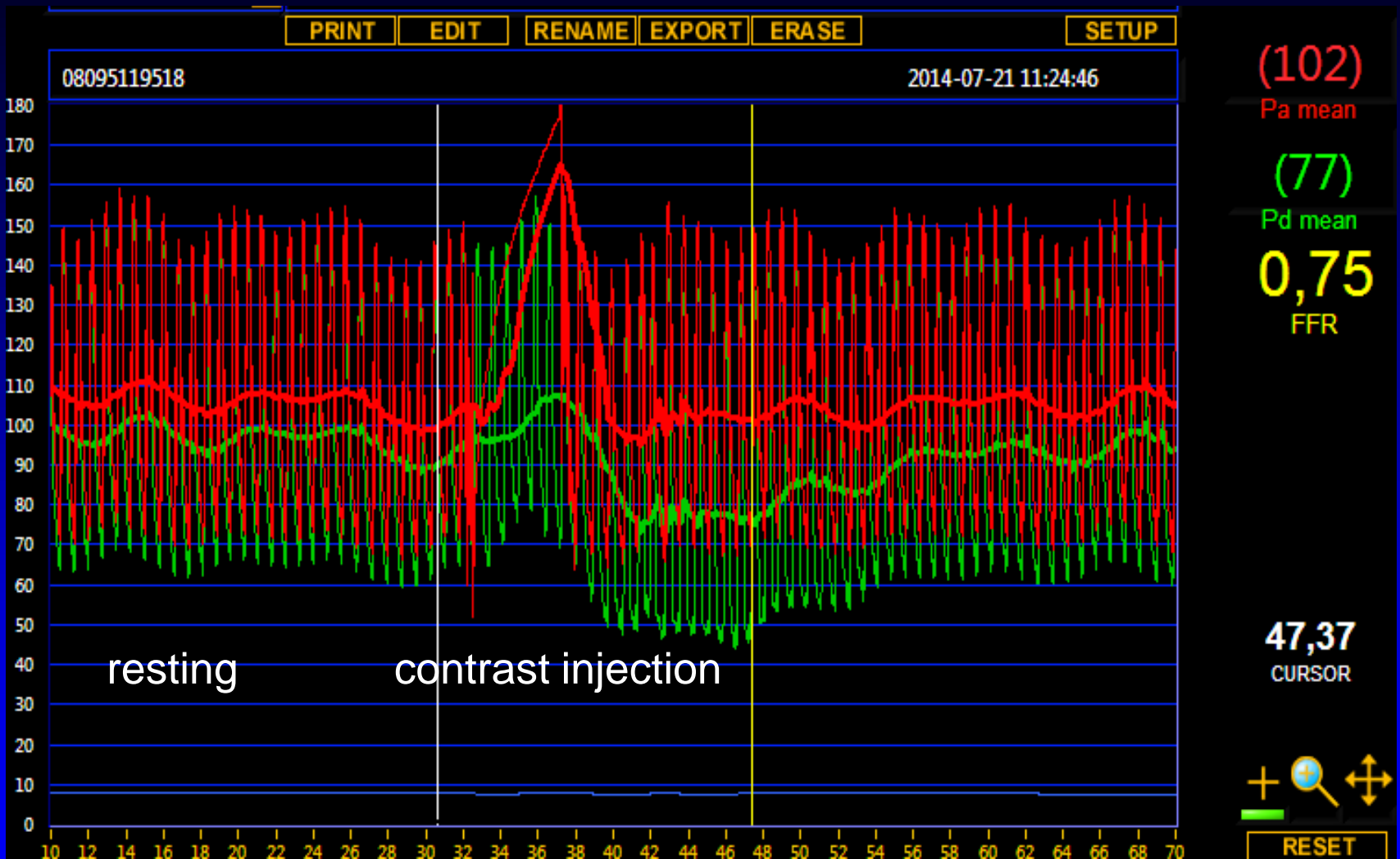
MOCX: 50%



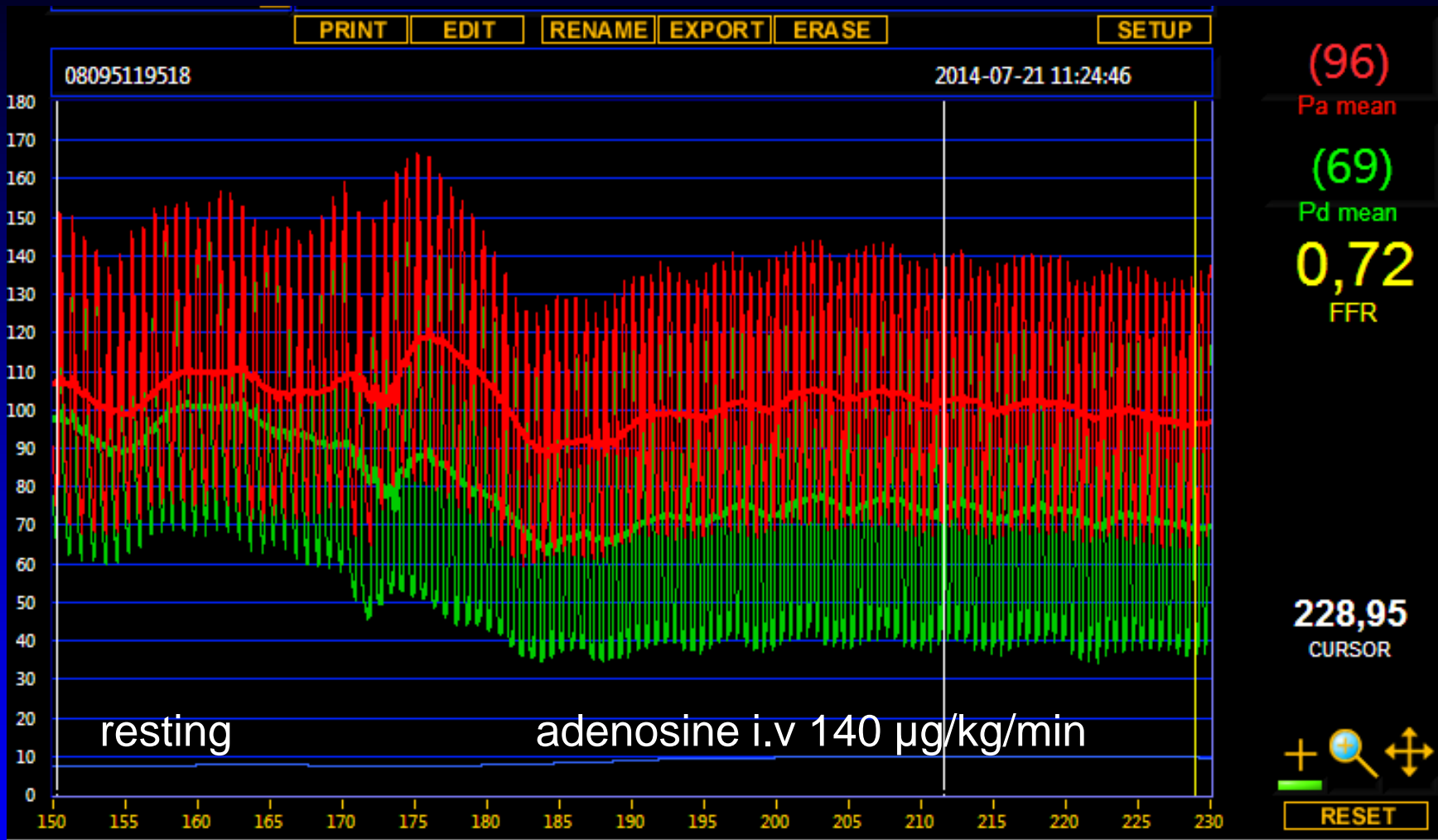
male, 62-year-old, 80% stenosis in large IM branch



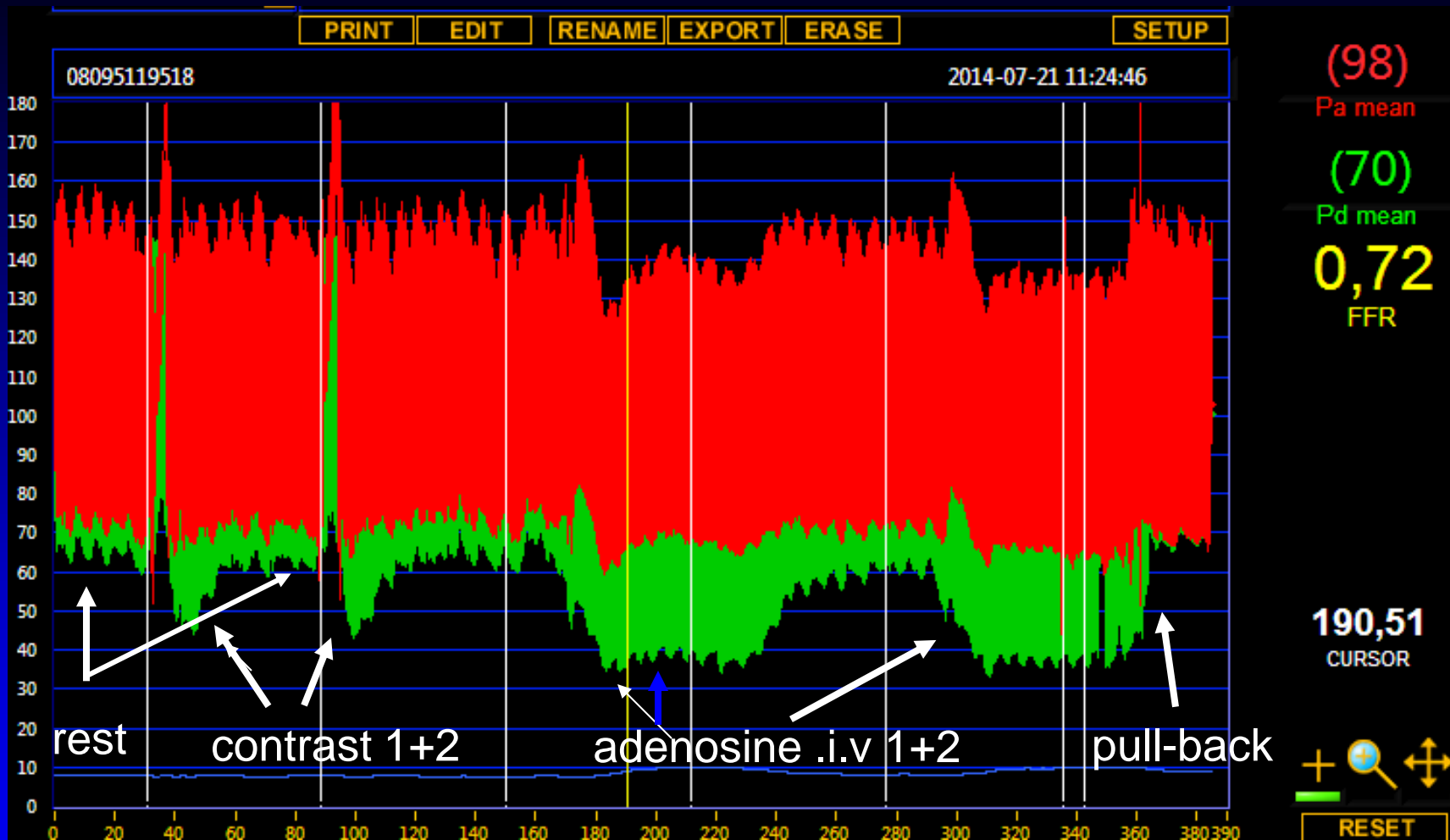
overview of the different steps of protocol



Detail #1: resting and contrast injection



Detail #2: resting and i.v. adenosine

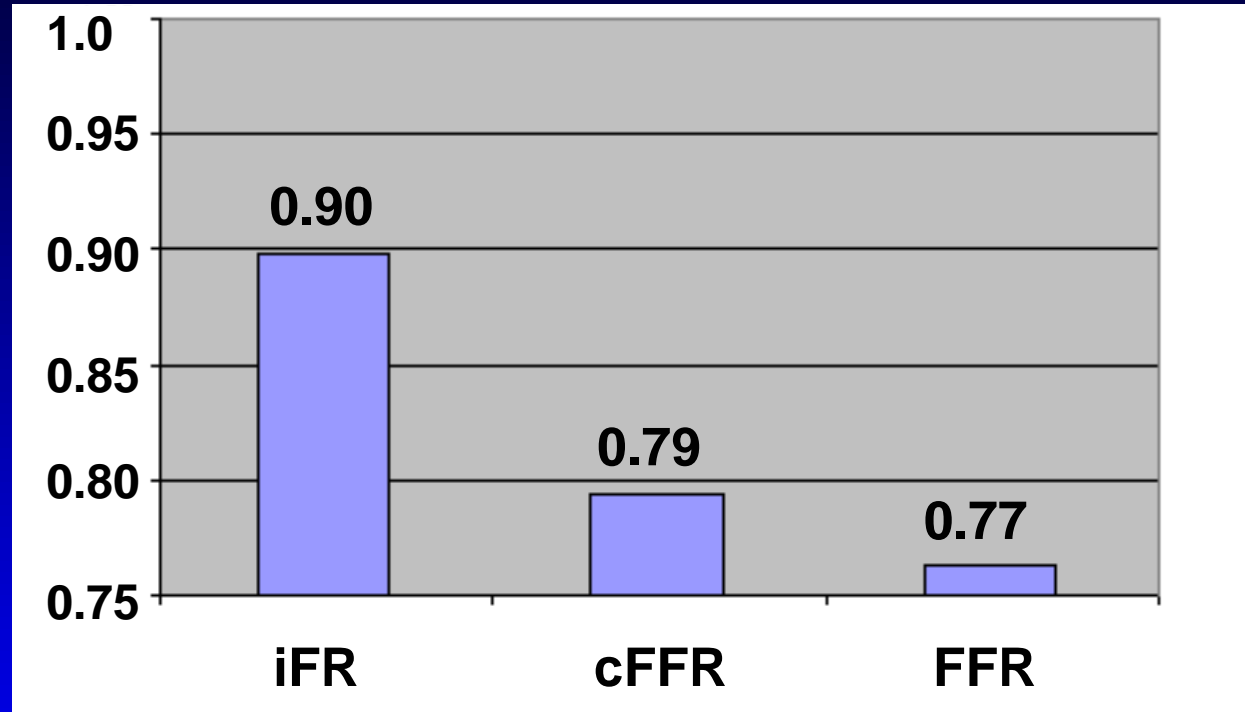


$iFR_{1,2} = 0.90 \rightarrow 0.85$

“true” $FFR_{1,2} = 0.71 \rightarrow 0.72$

$cFFR_{1,2} = 0.75 \rightarrow 0.74$

A pilot study in 40 patients was performed to test the protocol (Contrast Pilot)



Best cut off for cFFR (compared to FFR of 0.80): **0.83**

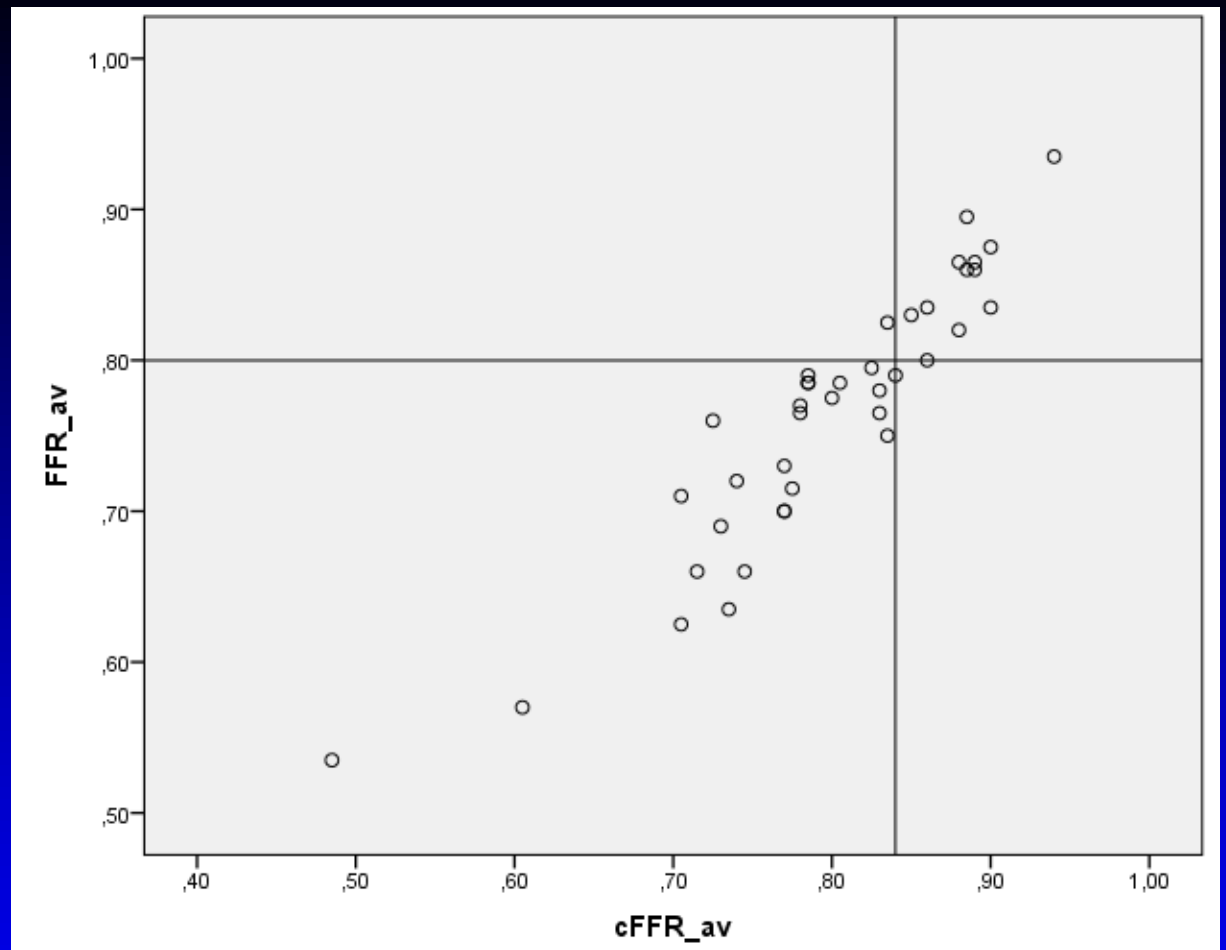
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Specificity: 91%

Note: by ROC analysis, i.e. retrospectively

Contrast Pilot N=40

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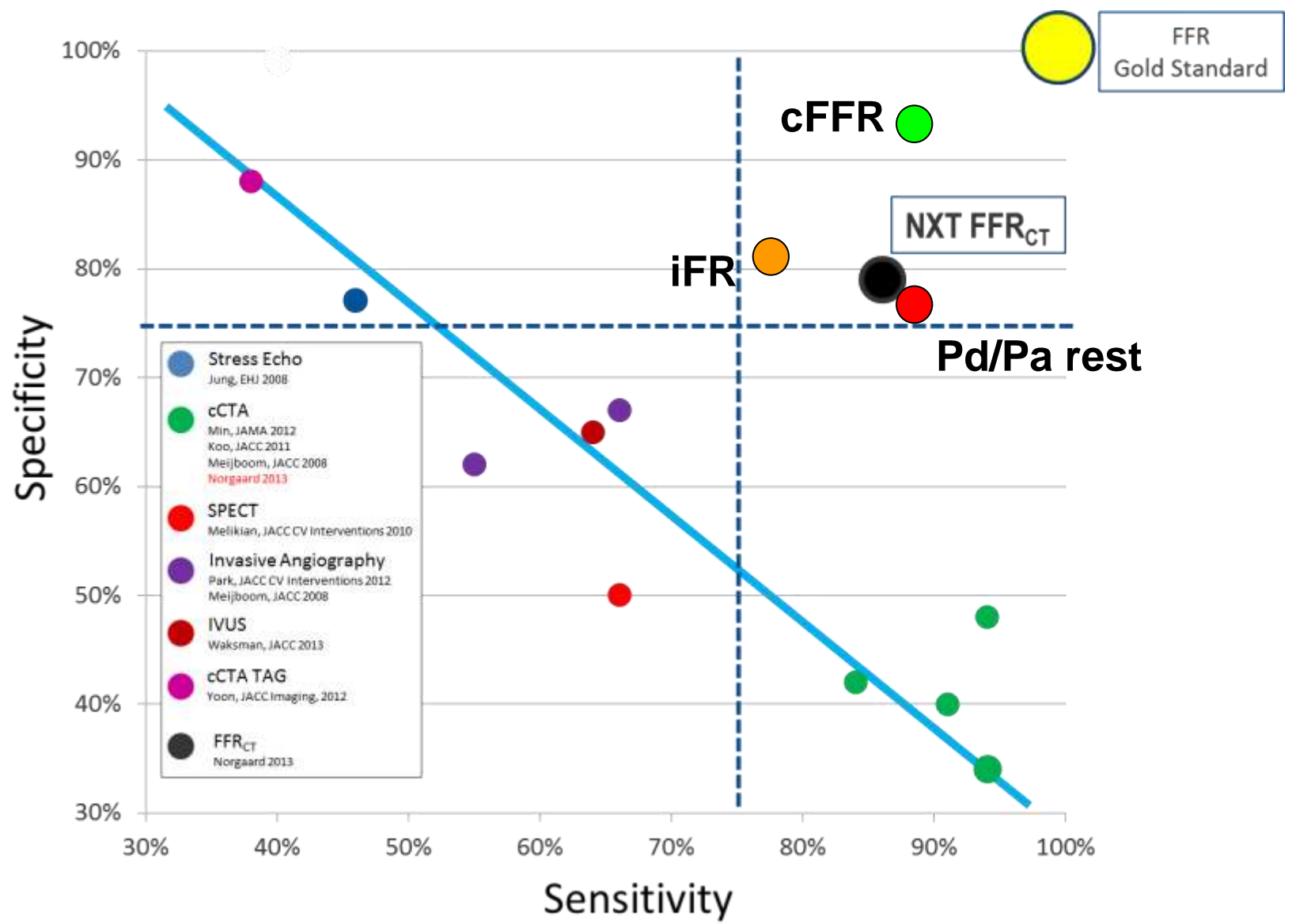


	FFR \leq 80	FFR $>$ 0,8	
cFFR \leq 0,83	29	1	30
cFFR $>$ 0,83	1	11	12
	30	12	42

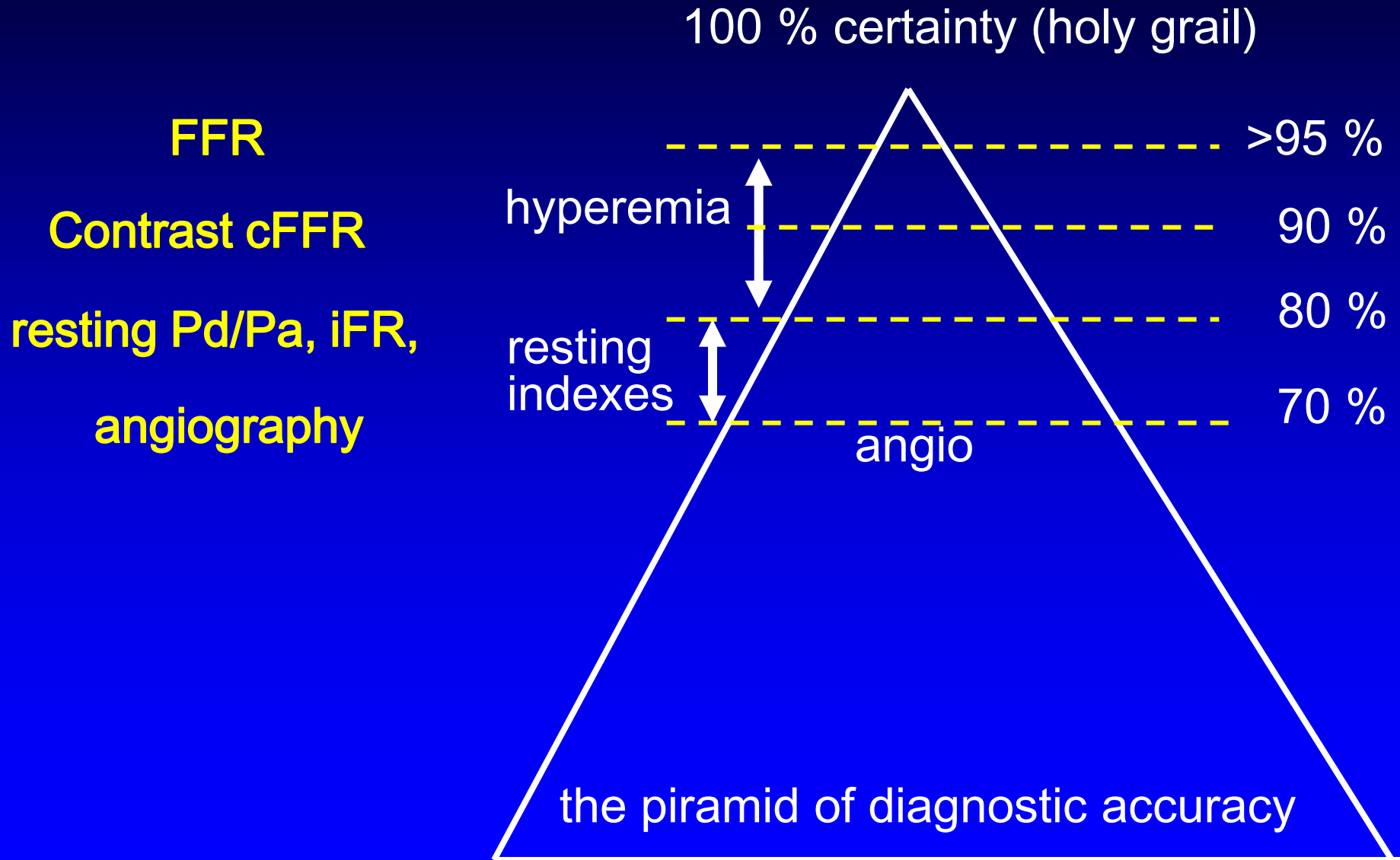
Advantages of Pd/Pa contrast (cFFR) compared to iFR

- no ECG needed; easier to perform
- no specific software needed,
can be used with every pressure wire & interface
- no particular steady state needed
(independent of resting conditions or hyperemia)
- significantly higher accuracy than Pd/Pa at rest
and iFR in pilot-studies

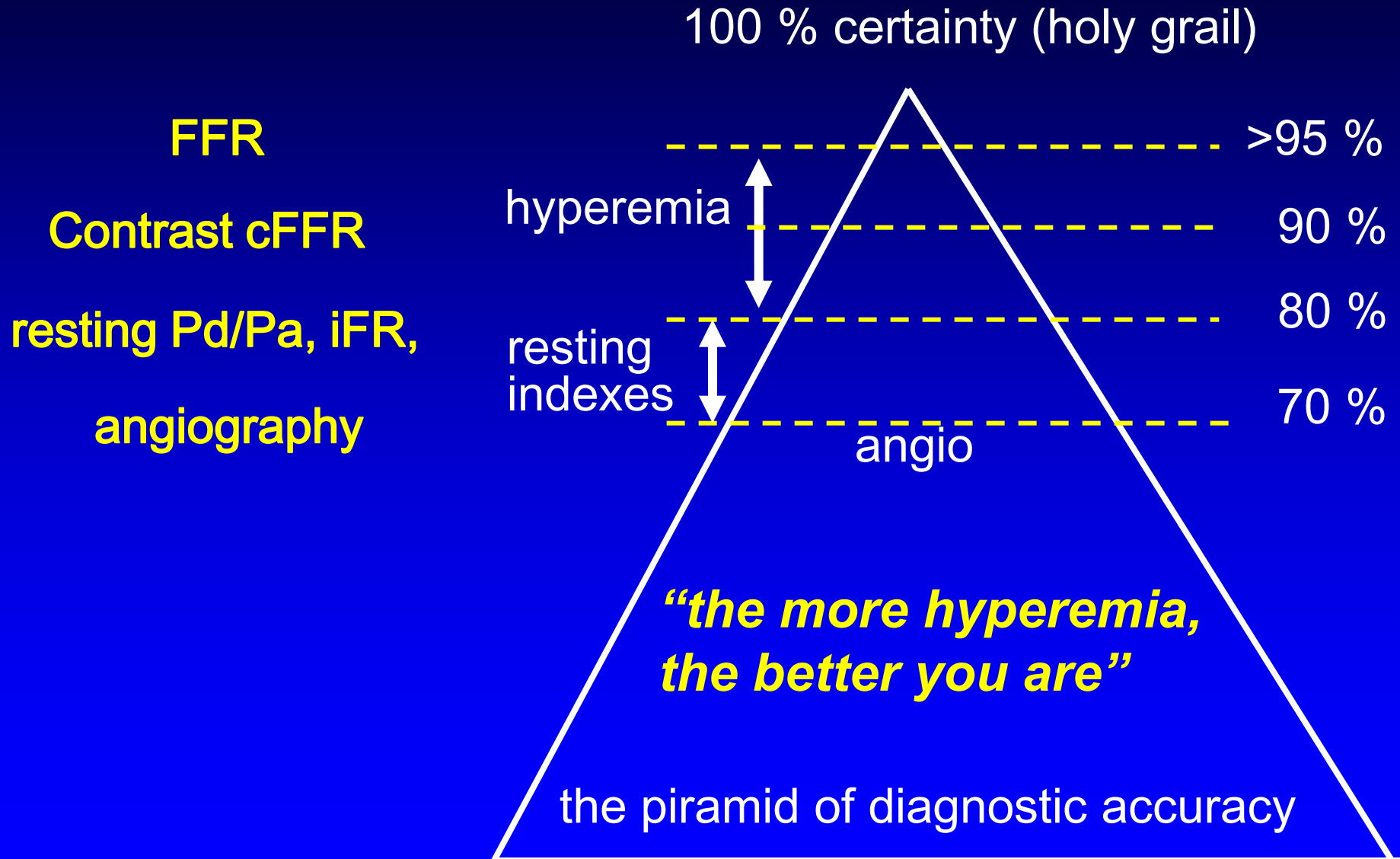
Diagnostic performance of Coronary diagnostic tests for functional significant ($FFR \leq 0.80$) disease



Correct Classification of Ischemic Stenosis



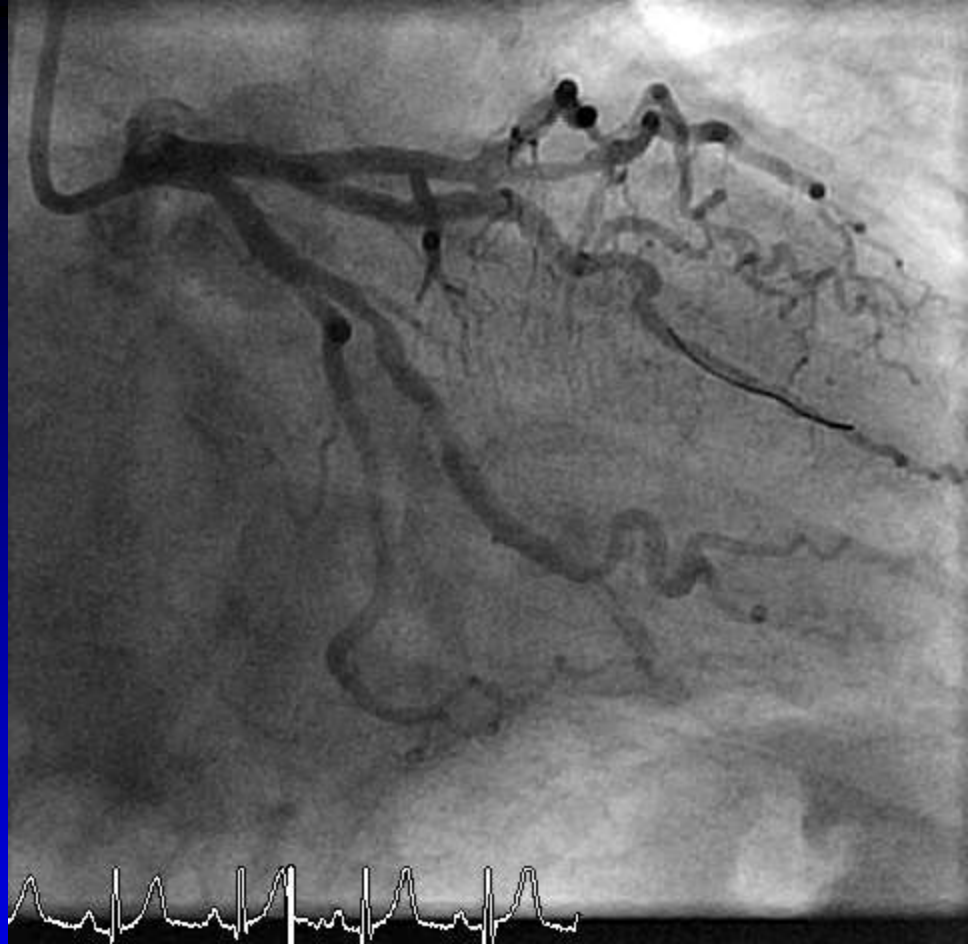
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CONTRAST STUDY: Results

- enrollment in sept-nov 2014: 319 patients
- expected to be completed (750 patients) march 2015
- promising results in pilot study
- not suitable for complex cases and pullback recordings, but well to do in simple cases
- study results will be presented at PCR 2015

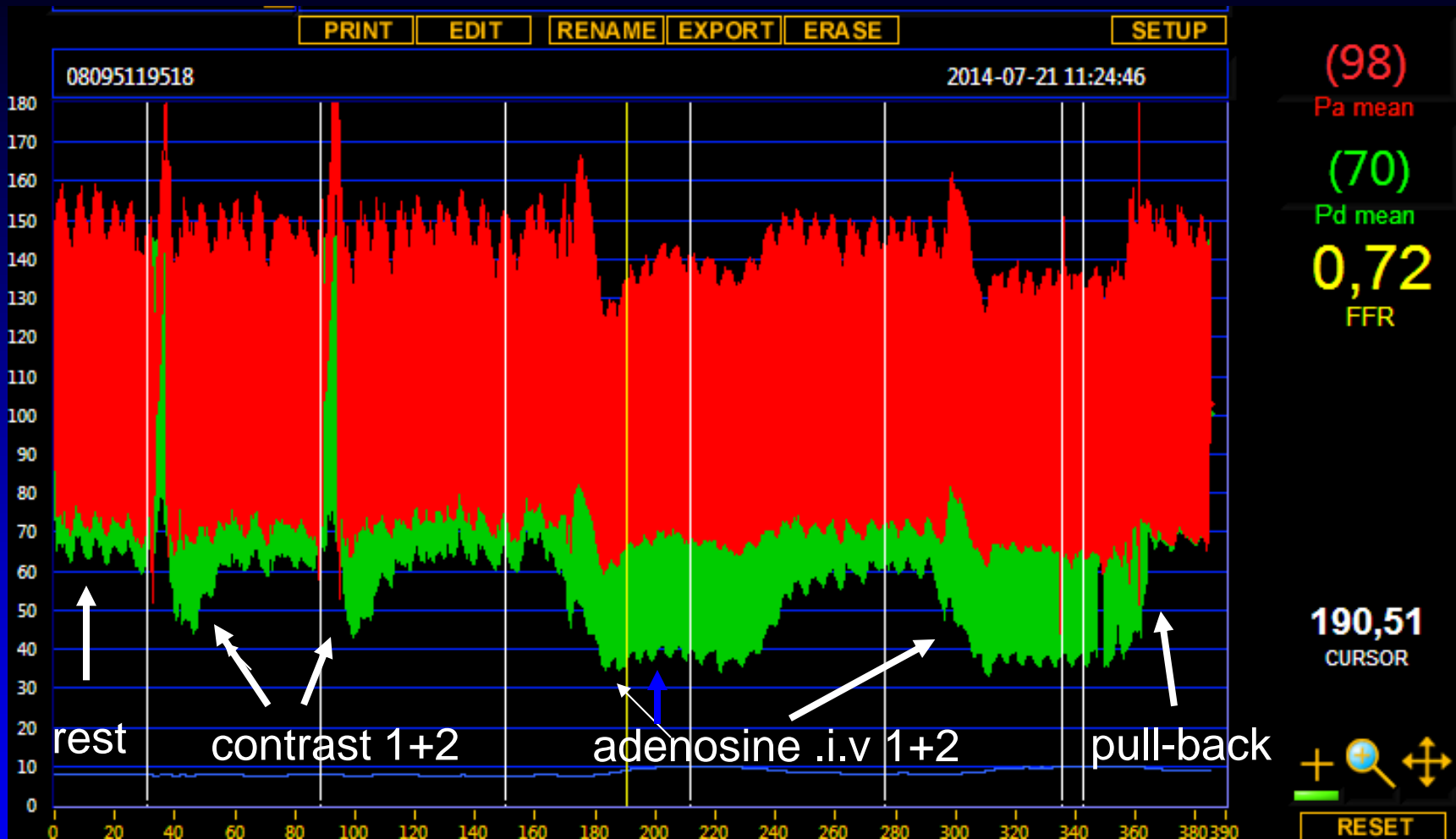


Stent in LAD (3.0 x 18)

Stent in IM branch (3.0 x 12)

FFR LAD after stent: 0.92

FFR IM after stent: 0.95



True “resting” conditions are difficult to obtain.....
and definitely more difficult than hyperemia!!!!!!