

# Flex Therapist CEUs

## Blood Flow Restriction Training Physiological Effects

### Effects of training with flow restriction on the exercise pressor reflex

**1. The exercise pressor reflex implies mechano- and chemo-sensitive receptors that affect afferent nerve traffic in \_\_\_\_\_, which in turn increase the sympathetic outflow to the heart and resistance vessels.**

- A. A-fibers
  - B. B-fibers
  - C. C-fibers
  - D. D-fibers
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**2. This study indicates that relative ischemia induced by flow restriction during exercise appears to increase the exercise pressor reflex.**

- A. True
  - B. False
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**3. The fact that the difference in responses occurred only during the \_\_\_\_\_ of an isometric contraction suggests that the altered exercise pressor response depends on an altered afferent signaling originating from the muscle chemoreflex or a blunted increase in central command due to decreased muscle fatigue.**

- A. First quarter
  - B. Last quarter
  - C. First half
  - D. Second half
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**4. It has previously been shown that, during isometric handgrip, endurance training of the forearm reduces the increase in:**

- A. Muscle sympathetic nerve activity
  - B. Mean arterial pressure
  - C. Heart rate
  - D. Endurance training of the forearm reduces the increase in MSNA, MAP, and HR
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**5. The present results indicate that the metabolic disturbance per se induced peripheral adaptations that reduced the exercise pressor response.**

- A. True
  - B. False
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**6. There were no observed changes in EPR after NR-training, despite about \_\_\_\_\_ increase in peak performance.**

- A. 10%
  - B. 20%
  - C. 30%
  - D. 40%
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**7. The difference between the R- and NR-trained leg occurs in the second half of the isometric contractions in which pressure responses?**

- A. Muscle sympathetic nerve activity and mean arterial pressure
  - B. Heart rate and muscle sympathetic nerve activity
  - C. Heart rate and mean arterial pressure
  - D. Muscle sympathetic nerve activity, mean arterial pressure, and heart rate
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**8. The chemoreflex comes into effect after some time, because of its dependence on the gradual accumulation of metabolites and decrease in pH.**

- A. True
  - B. False
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**9. Previous studies have shown that regular training without flow restriction (NR-training), performed as in the present study, increases the aerobic capacity and acts to alter the metabolic capacity towards a more aerobic profile with an increased capillary density.**

- A. True
  - B. False
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**10. It has been shown that endurance-trained individuals have a lower exercise pressor response during isometric contraction of the \_\_\_\_\_ muscle, compared to untrained subjects.**

- A. Quadriceps
  - B. Hamstrings
  - C. Gastrocnemius
  - D. Tibialis
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**11. The maximal voluntary contraction increased after training, with approximately \_\_\_\_\_ in the flow-restricted trained leg.**

- A. 2%

- B. 5%
  - C. 8%
  - D. 12%
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**12. A decrease in exercise pressor response was apparent in the:**

- A. Non flow-restricted leg
  - B. Flow-restricted leg
  - C. Both the non flow-restricted and the flow-restricted legs
  - D. Neither the non flow-restricted nor the flow-restricted legs
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### **Anaerobic metabolism induces greater total energy expenditure during exercise with blood flow restriction**

**13. Findings suggest that peripheral perturbation induced by blood flow restriction in arterial and venous leg blood flow, including local hypoxia and reduce venous return, produces elevated metabolic demand.**

- A. True
  - B. False
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**14. Compared to the low-intensity endurance exercise group, greater responses in all of the following were found in the low-intensity endurance exercise with blood flow restriction group, except for:**

- A. Lactate concentration
  - B. Heart rate
  - C. Ventilation
  - D. Cardiac output
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**15. This study's findings suggest that cycling exercise undertaken with blood flow restriction is able to provoke additional perturbations to homeostasis necessary to induce improvements in VO<sub>2</sub>max, which normally take place during moderate-vigorous intensity endurance exercise without blood flow restriction.**

- A. True
  - B. False
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**16. It was shown that decreases in locomotion economy with BFR were caused by the increased:**

- A. Lactate concentration
- B. Heart rate
- C. Ventilation

D. Cardiac output

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**17. It is suggested that the elevated \_\_\_\_\_ response is due to the local hypoxia induced by BFR.**

- A. Ventilation
  - B. Cardiovascular
  - C. Lactate buildup
  - D. VO<sub>2</sub>max
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**18. All of the following occur during BFR exercise, except for:**

- A. The metabolic stress will be increased.
  - B. Metabolic sensitive group III and IV efferent nerve endings within the active muscle will be stimulated.
  - C. There is an increase in efferent sympathetic nerve activity and systemic arterial pressure, known as muscle metaboreflex.
  - D. There is an autonomic cardiorespiratory response to exercise, as well as, increased ventilation and heart rate.
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**19. It is suggested that metaboreflex causes a delay in the reactivation of the sympathetic system.**

- A. True
  - B. False
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**20. Exercise at \_\_\_\_\_ of peak workload can induce an important pressor reflex.**

- A. 20%
  - B. 40%
  - C. 60%
  - D. 80%
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**21. What is the link between metabolic perturbation and cardiorespiratory adaptation induced by low-intensity endurance exercise with blood flow restriction?**

- A. Lactate concentration
  - B. Local hypoxia
  - C. Systemic arterial pressure
  - D. Energy demand
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