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 binding, induction, activation  ligand/product  drug
 increased production
 inhibition  enzyme  oxidative stress and its effects
NO/sGC/cGMP-mediated effects

APOGC = heme-free guanylyl cyclase; CGMP = cyclic guanosine monophosphate; NO = nitric oxide; NO₂ = nitrogen dioxide; NOS = nitric oxide synthase; PDE = phosphodiesterase; ROS = reactive oxygen species; SGC = soluble guanylyl cyclase; UB = ubiquitin; VSMC = vascular smooth muscle cell. (Adapted from Vandendriessche et al.¹⁶)

Forearm:

- LSCI PORH: perfusion
- NIRS: with venous & arterial occlusion: perfusion and oxygenation

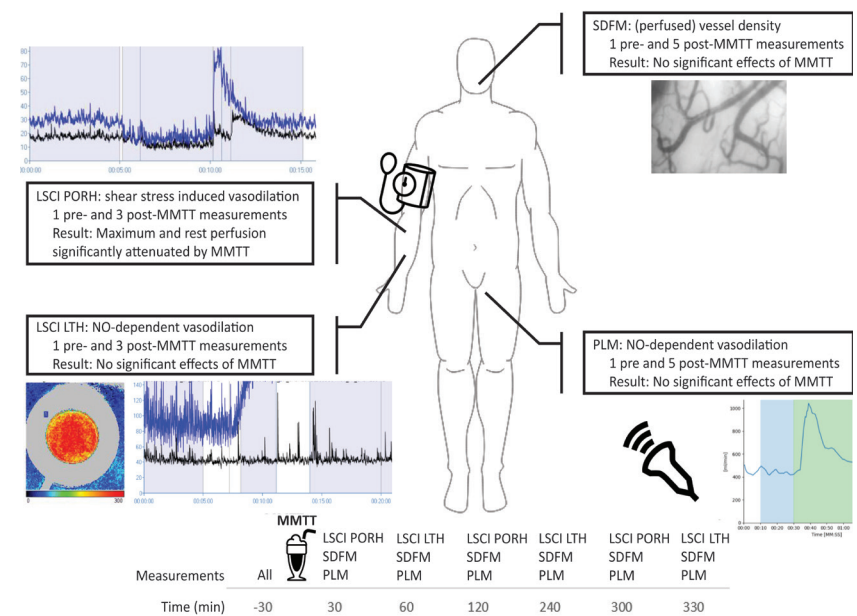
Upper back:

- LSCI LTH: perfusion

Lower back:

- Thermography: skin temperature
- SDFM: microcirculation
- MSI: skin colour

LSCI=laser speckle contrast imaging; LTH=local thermal hyperemia; MSI=multispectral imaging; NIRS=near infrared spectroscopy; PORH=post-occlusive reactive hyperemia; SDFM=side-stream dark field microscopy.



LSCI=laser speckle contrast imaging;
LTH=local thermal hyperaemia; min=minutes;
MMTT=mixed meal tolerance test; NO=nitric oxide; PLM=passive leg movement; PORH=post occlusive reactive hyperaemia;
SDFM=side-stream dark field microscopy.

The window in the patch through which measurements were performed is shown in picture B and D (area marked with '1' in picture B). LSCI=laser speckle contrast imaging.