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A finite element solver was used to study fluid structure interaction between elastic walls and pulsatile coronary blood flow (validated using experimental data). The walls were modeled as multi-layered elastic structures consisting of a three-layer model. The Navier-Stokes equations were used to model pulsatile blood flow. Four stent geometries were studied: Palmaz, Express, Xience, & Cypher like stent.

The von Mises and radial/normal stress experienced by the media-adventitia interface were used as parameters that indicate high probability for the development of restenosis associated with in-stent restenosis, neointimal hyperplasia, and smooth muscle proliferation. The normal radial stress values obtained by performing the same simulation through the same curved coronary artery before and after the implantation of the stents (Fig.1). The stent with lowest stress is the Cypher.

The Cypher stent geometry appears to be superior for the use in tortuous coronary arteries. Both curved and horizontal sinusoidal stent struts contribute to the stent compliance in tortuous coronary arteries.

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