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# **Interstitial-fluid shear stresses induced by vertically oscillating head motion lower blood pressure in hypertensive rats and humans**

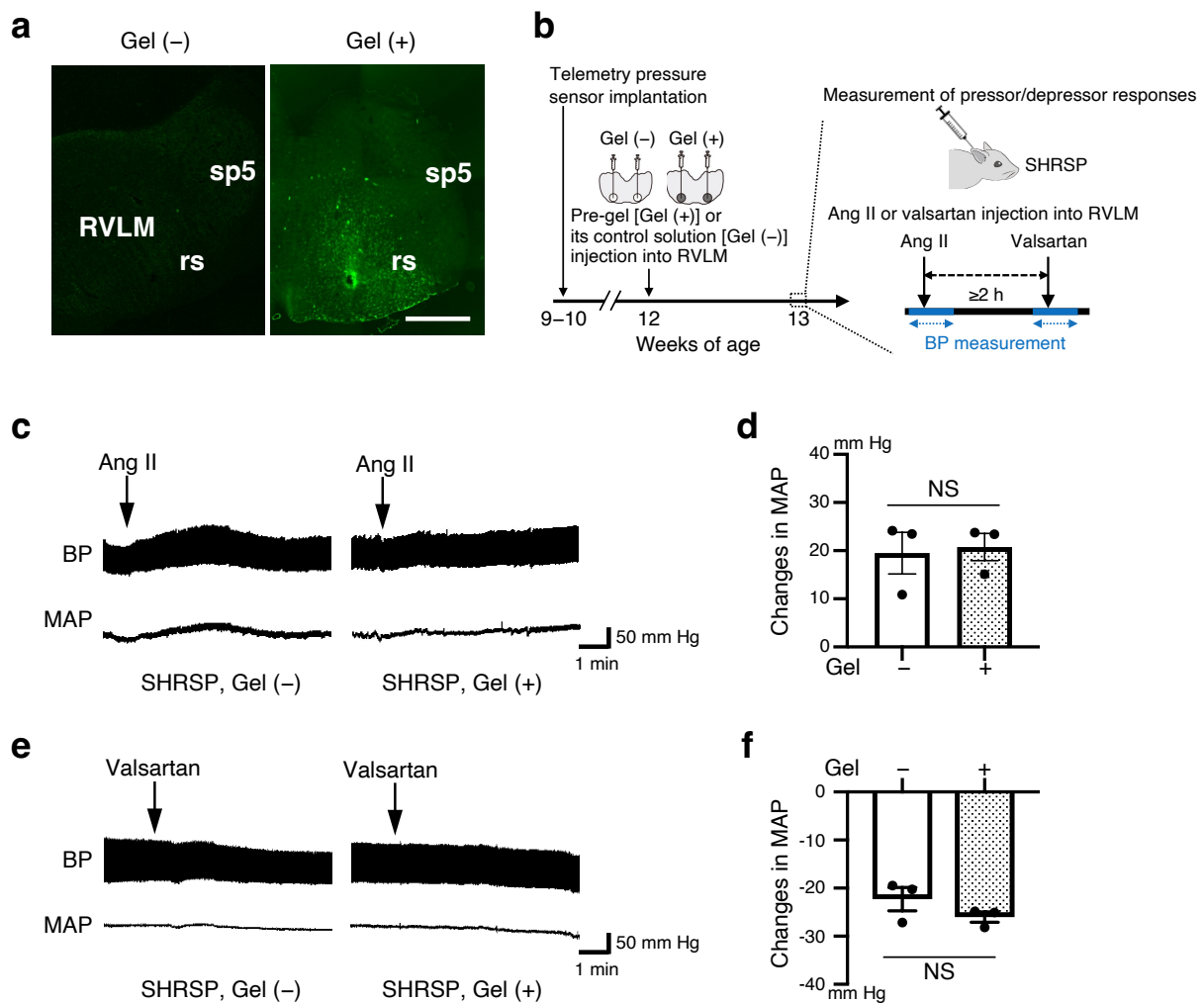
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**Supplementary Fig. 1 | Hydrogel introduction in the RVLM does not affect the pressor and**

**depressor responses to AngII and valsartan, respectively, in SHRSPs. a,** Introduction of the

PEG hydrogel in the rat RVLM. Twenty-four hours after the injection of control ungelatable

fluorescent PEG solution (left) or one week after the injection of pre-gel fluorescent PEG

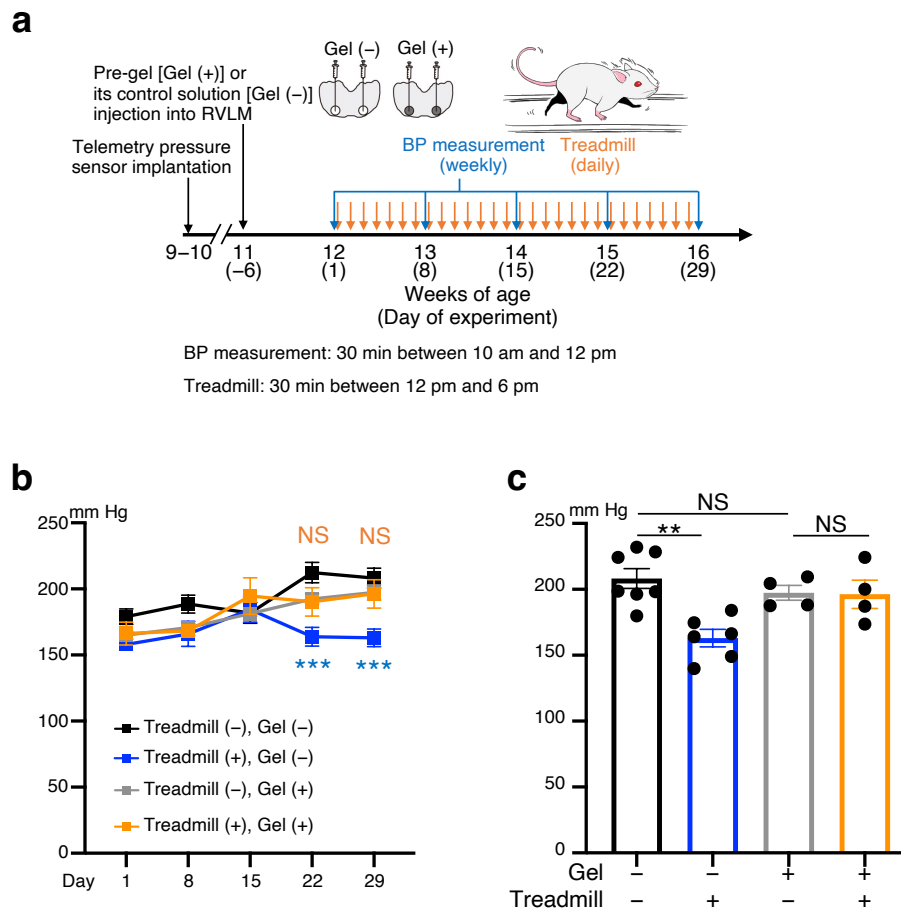
solution (right), brainstem samples were prepared. Coronal-section images representative of

three rats with similar results are shown. Scale bar, 1 mm. **b–f,** Pressor and depressor responses

analyzed one week after the injection of pre-gel PEG solution or its ungelatable control. **(b)**

Schematic representation of the experimental protocol. Pressor and depressor responses were

analyzed as in Fig. 2. **(c–f)** Representative trajectories **(c,e)** and quantification **(d,f)** of the BP ascent upon AngII injection **(c,d)** and descent upon valsartan injection **(e,f)** to the RVLM of SHRSPs with or without the hydrogel introduction (**d**:  $P = 0.8226$ . **f**:  $P = 0.2342$ .  $n = 3$  rats for each group). Right-angled scale bars, 1 min / 50 mm Hg. Data are presented as mean  $\pm$  s.e.m. NS, not significant; unpaired two-tailed Student's  $t$ -test.



**Supplementary Fig. 2 | Hydrogel introduction to the RVLM eliminates the**

**antihypertensive effect of treadmill running in SHRSPs. a**, Schematic representation of the

experimental protocol to analyze the effects of treadmill running on the BP in SHRSPs. **b,c**,

Time courses (**b**) and values on Day 29 (**c**) of MAP in SHRSPs with (**b**: gray and orange lines,

**c**: columns 3 and 4) and without (**b**: black and blue lines, **c**: columns 1 and 2) the hydrogel

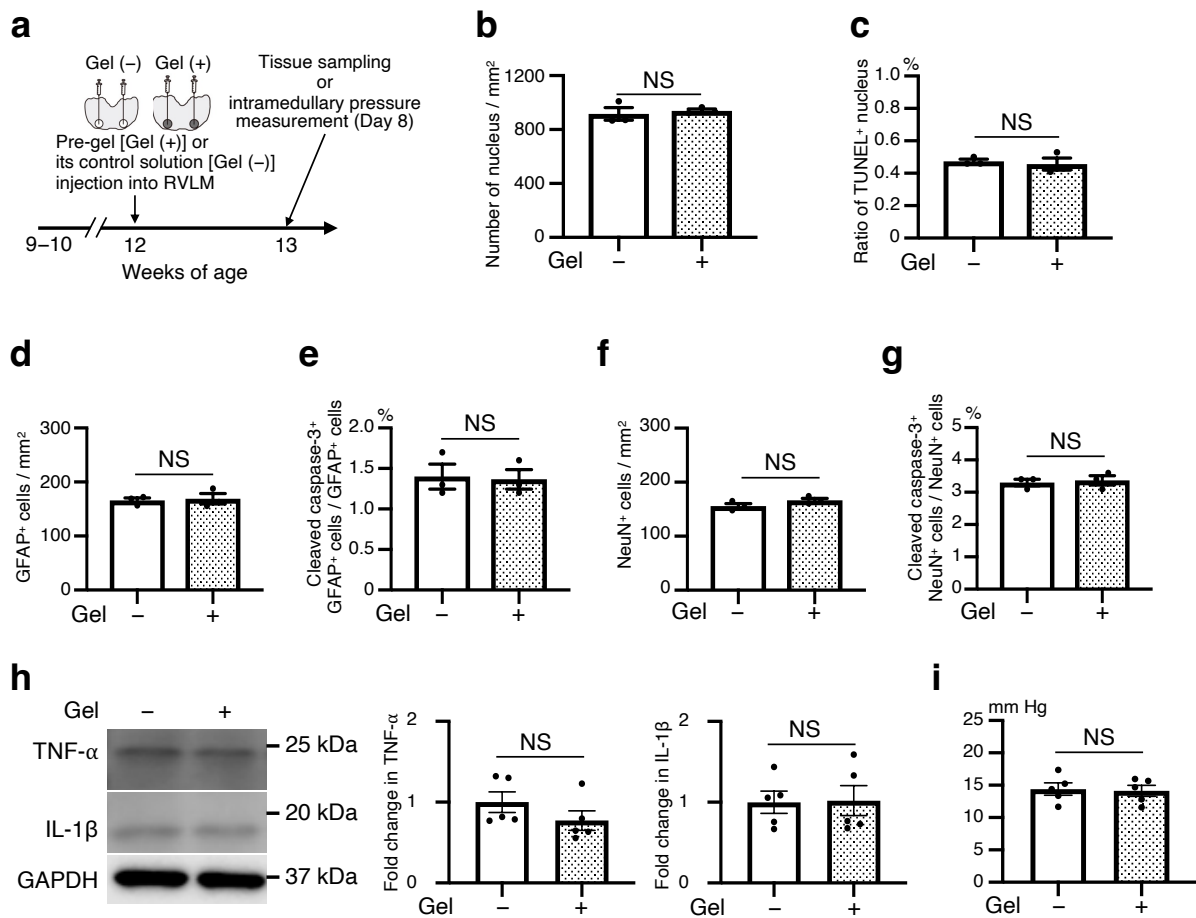
introduction, subjected to either daily treadmill running (30 min/day, 28 days; **b**: blue and

orange lines, **c**: columns 2 and 4) or its control (placing on the belt without turning on the

treadmilling; **b**: black and gray lines, **c**: columns 1 and 3) [**b**, black vs. blue:  $P > 0.9999$  for Day

15,  $P = 0.0001$  for Day 22,  $P = 0.0004$  for Day 29; gray vs. orange:  $P > 0.9999$  for Day 15, Day

22, and Day 29. **c**:  $P = 0.0015$  for column 1 vs. 2,  $P = 0.9997$  for column 3 vs. 4,  $P = 0.7751$  for column 1 vs. 3.  $n = 7$  rats for treadmill (-)/Gel (-);  $n = 6$  rats for treadmill (+)/Gel (-);  $n = 4$  rats for each group of Gel (+)]. Data are presented as mean  $\pm$  s.e.m.  $**P < 0.01$ ,  $***P < 0.001$ ; NS, not significant; two-way repeated measures ANOVA with Bonferroni's post hoc comparisons test (**b**) or one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test (**c**).

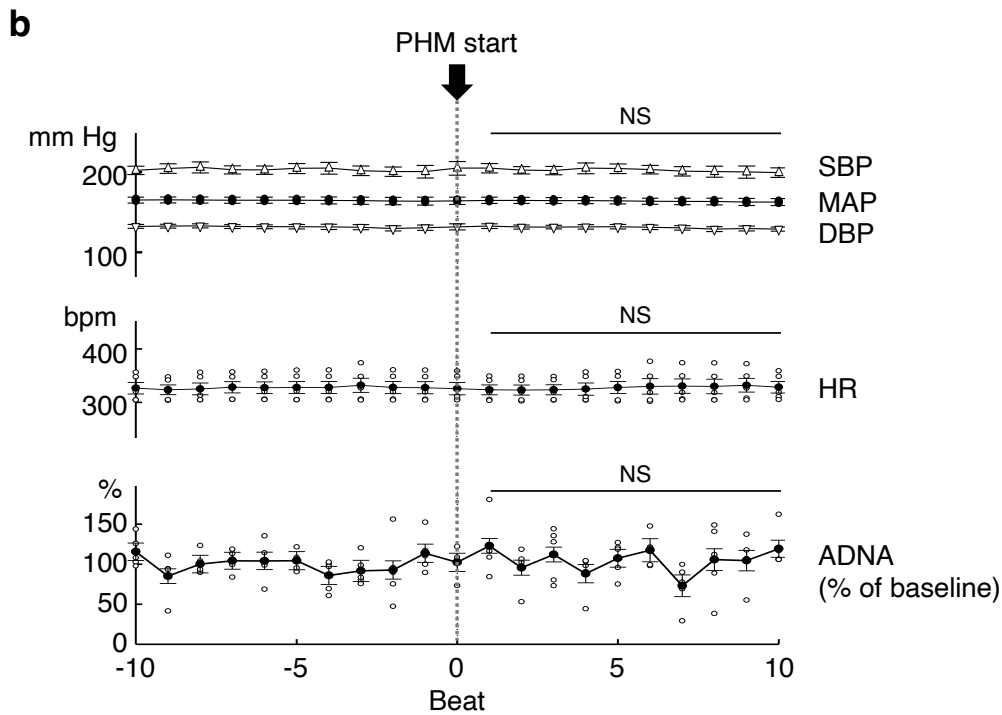
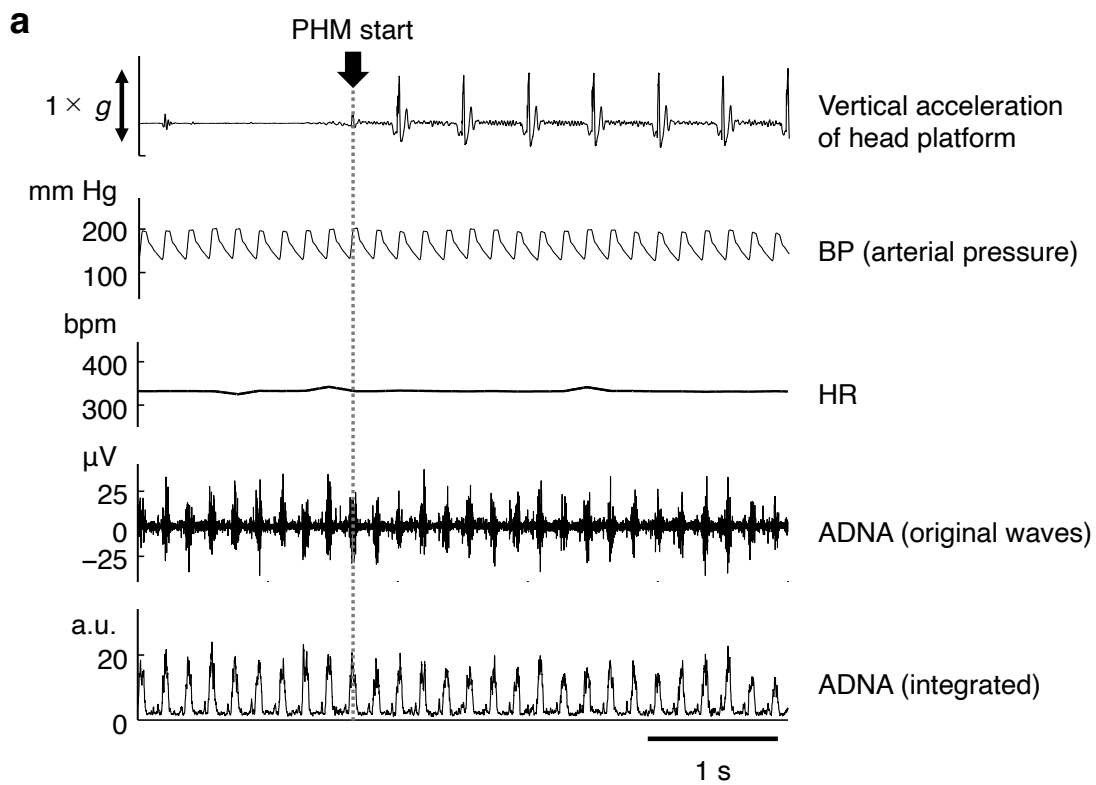


**Supplementary Fig. 3 | Hydrogel introduction does not affect the cell number/apoptosis, the expression of pro-inflammatory cytokines, and the pressure in the RVLM of SHRSPs.**

**a**, Schematic representation of the experimental protocol to analyze the hydrogel-introduced RVLM in SHRSPs. **b–g**, Effects of hydrogel introduction on the survival (**b,d,f**) and apoptosis (**c,e,g**) of total cells (**b,c**), astrocytes (**d,e**), and neurons (**f,g**) in the RVLM of SHRSPs. Fixed rat RVLM sections were subjected to TUNEL assay (**b,c**), or combinations of anti-GFAP for glial fibrillar acidic protein-positive astrocytes, anti-NeuN for mature neurons, and anti-cleaved caspase-3 for apoptotic cells immunostaining (**e–g**). DAPI-positive nuclei (**b**), GFAP- (**d**) or NeuN- (**f**) positive cells were counted, and the relative populations of cells doubly positive for



indicated combinations of TUNEL (**c**) and cleaved caspase-3 (**e,g**) were quantified. Each value in (**b–g**) represents an average from five images of 1 x 1-mm area analyzed for each rat. **h**, Expression of TNF- $\alpha$  and IL-1 $\beta$  in SHRSPs' RVLM with and without the hydrogel introduction. Anti-TNF- $\alpha$ , anti-IL-1 $\beta$ , and anti-GAPDH immunoblots of samples prepared from two individual rats with (lane 2) and without (lane 1) hydrogel introduction (left). Expressions of TNF- $\alpha$  (center) and IL-1 $\beta$  (right) were normalized against GAPDH expression, and scaled with the mean values of the control samples [Gel (-)] set as 1. **i**, Intramedullary pressure of SHRSPs with and without the hydrogel introduction in their RVLM. The intramedullary pressure was measured as in Fig. 4a–d, and the mean value was obtained from 30-s steady-state continuous measurement for each rat (**b**:  $P = 0.6518$ . **c**:  $P = 0.6943$ . **d**:  $P = 0.7938$ . **e**:  $P = 0.8722$ . **f**:  $P = 0.1679$ . **g**:  $P = 0.7247$ . **h**:  $P = 0.2312$  for TNF- $\alpha$ ,  $P = 0.9342$  for IL-1 $\beta$ . **i**:  $P = 0.8433$ . **b–g**:  $n = 3$  rats for each group. **h,i**:  $n = 5$  rats for each group). Data are presented as mean  $\pm$  s.e.m. NS, not significant; unpaired two-tailed Student's  $t$ -test (**b–i**).

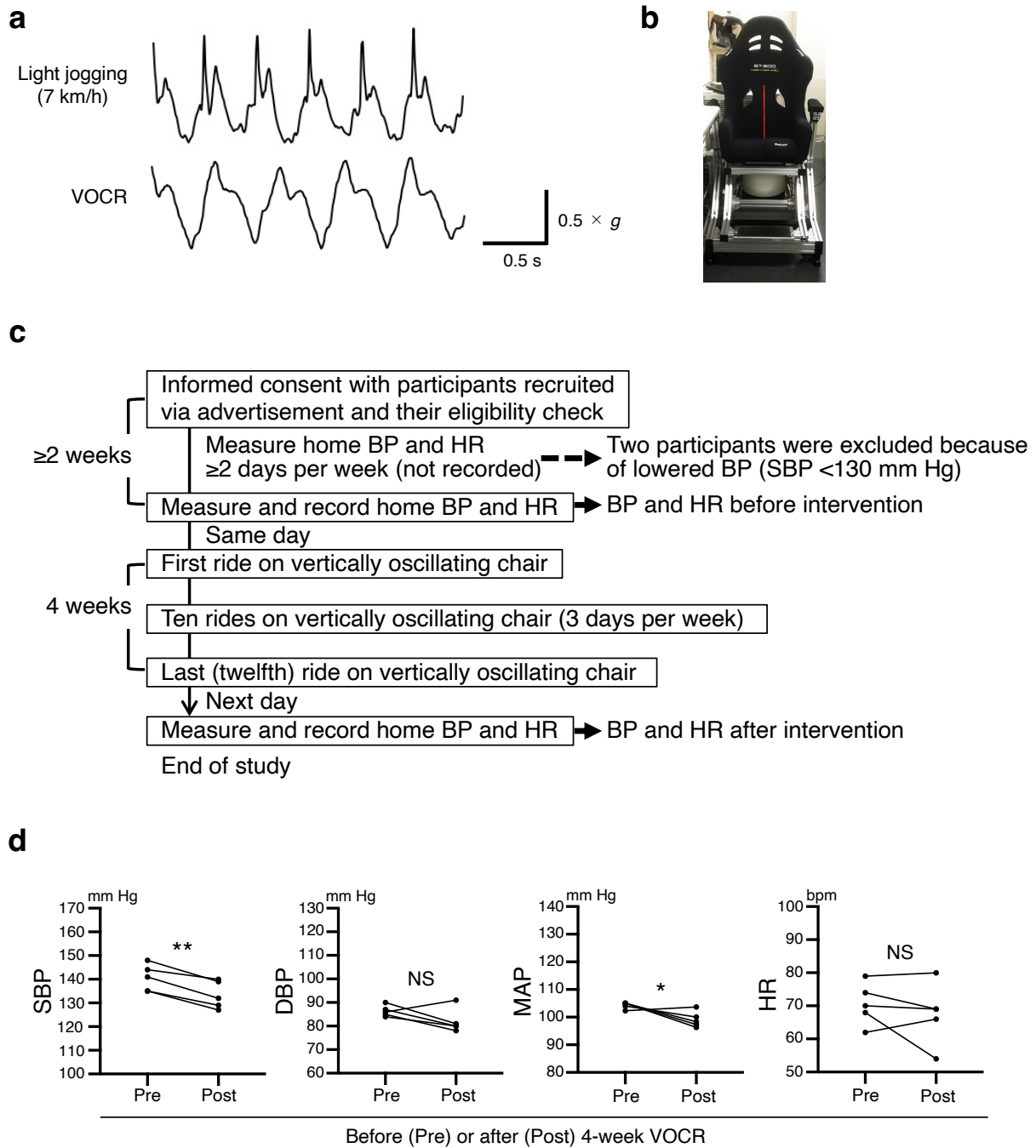


**Supplementary Fig. 4 | BP, HR, and aortic depressor nerve activity (ADNA) remain**

**unchanged during the transition from before to after the initiation of PHM in SHRSPs. a,**

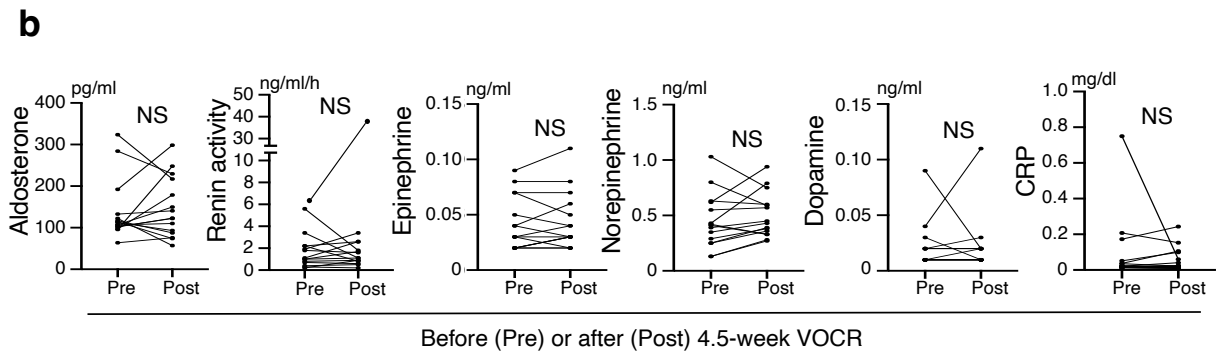
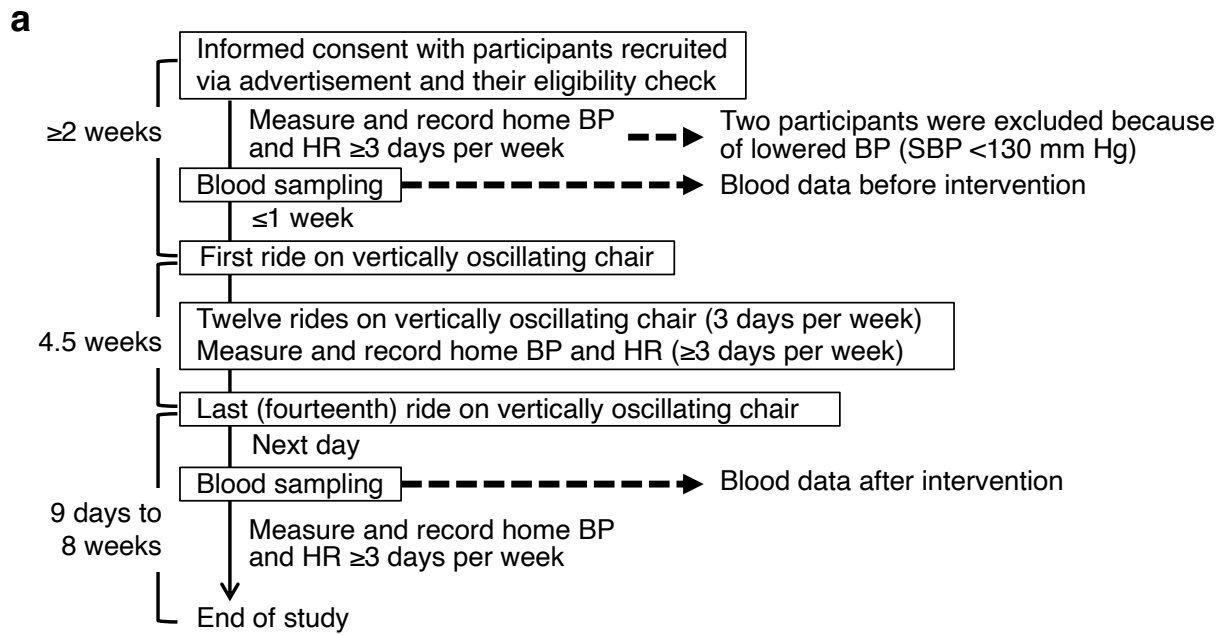
BP, HR, and ADNA in 12–16-week-old male SHRSPs monitored and recorded simultaneously

with vertical accelerations of the oscillating PHM platform. Integrated ADNA was normalized in each rat and is presented in arbitrary units (a.u.) (see Methods). Data shown represent five biologically independent experiments using five different SHRSPs with similar results. **b**, Beat-by-beat BP (SBP, MAP, and DBP), HR, and ADNA. The beat that elicited SBP immediately before the PHM initiation was defined as “beat 0”. Statistical analysis was conducted against the mean values of beat -9 to beat 0 ( $n = 5$  rats). Data are presented as mean  $\pm$  s.e.m. NS, not significant; one-way repeated measures ANOVA with Dunnett’s multiple comparisons test. Arrows and dotted lines in **(a,b)** indicate the time point of PHM initiation. Details of statistical analyses are provided in the Information of Statistical Analyses section.



**Supplementary Fig. 5 | Vertically oscillating chair that reproduces the mechanical accelerations in the head during light jogging, and the design and results of protocol 1 as a pilot study to examine antihypertensive effect of VOCR in hypertensive adult humans. a,** Vertical accelerations generated at adult human head during light jogging on a treadmill machine (velocity: 7 km/h) and VOCR (frequency: 2 Hz). The VOCR system was adjusted to

produce  $\sim 1.0 \times g$  vertical acceleration peaks. Right-angled scale bar,  $0.5 \text{ s} / 0.5 \times g$ . Images are representative of three biologically independent experiments with similar results. **b**, Photograph of the chair. **c**, Schematic representation of protocol 1. **d**, From left to right, SBP, DBP, MAP, and HR “value of the day”s immediately before and after 4-week VOXR in the study of protocol 1 (SBP:  $P = 0.0018$ . DBP:  $P = 0.1509$ . MAP:  $P = 0.0459$ . HR:  $P = 0.3900$ .  $n = 5$ ).  $*P < 0.05$ ;  $**P < 0.01$ ; NS, not significant; paired two-tailed Student’s  $t$ -test.



**Supplementary Fig. 6 | Design and blood test results of the human study of protocol 2. a,**

Schematic representation of protocol 2. **b,** Blood test values before and after the intervention

period (from left to right, aldosterone, renin activity, epinephrine, norepinephrine, dopamine,

and CRP). Significant change was not observed in any of tested parameters. NS, not significant;

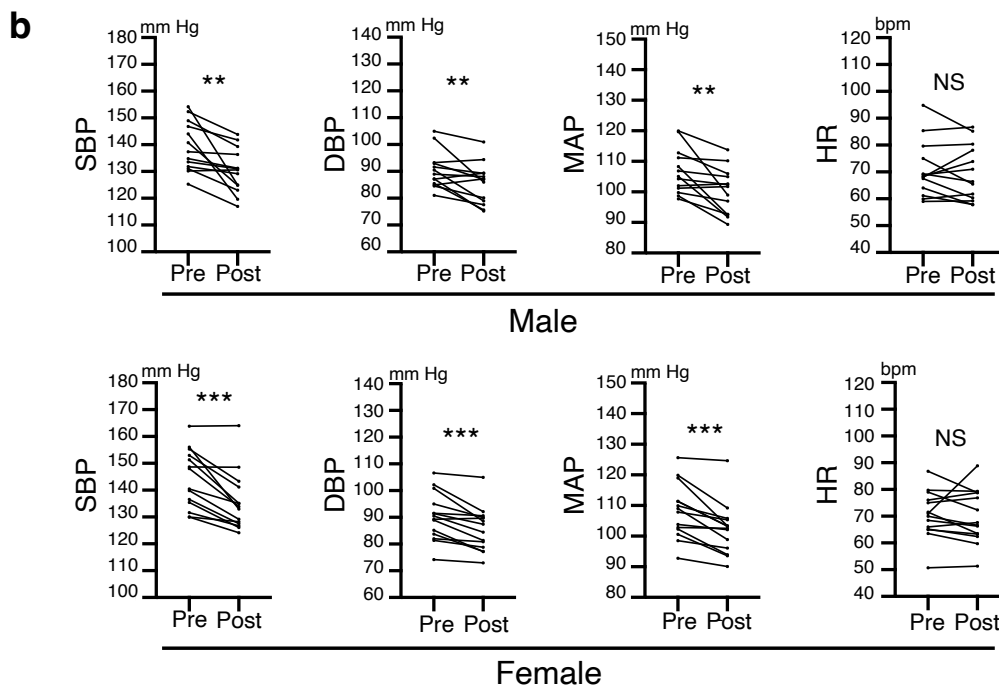
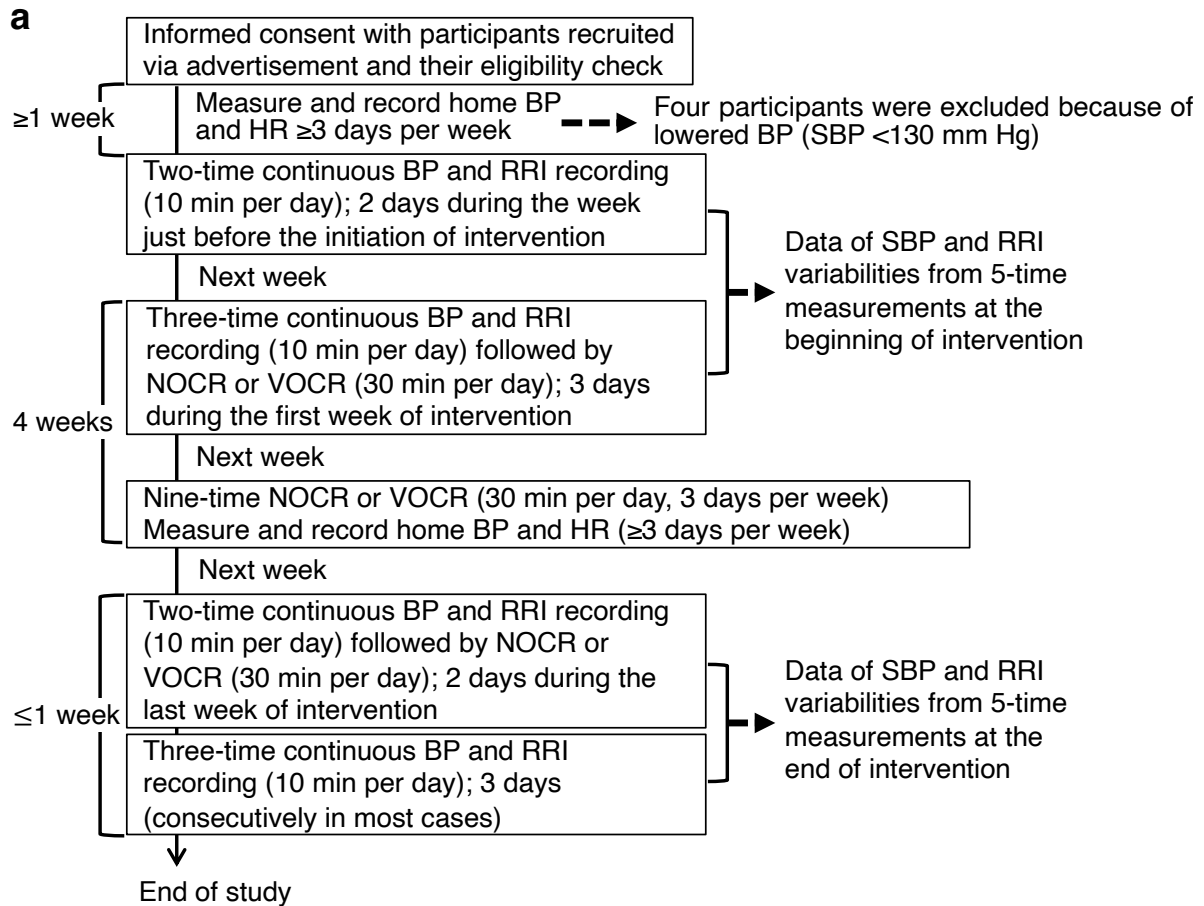
paired two-tailed Student's *t*-test (Aldosterone:  $P = 0.6265$ . Renin activity:  $P = 0.3794$ .

Epinephrine:  $P = 0.5103$ . Norepinephrine:  $P = 0.2653$ . Dopamine:  $P > 0.9999$ . CRP:  $P =$

0.4412.  $n = 15$ ). A participant (participant #18) showed a large increase in plasma renin activity

after VOICR. We advised him to consult his primary care physician, who ruled out the

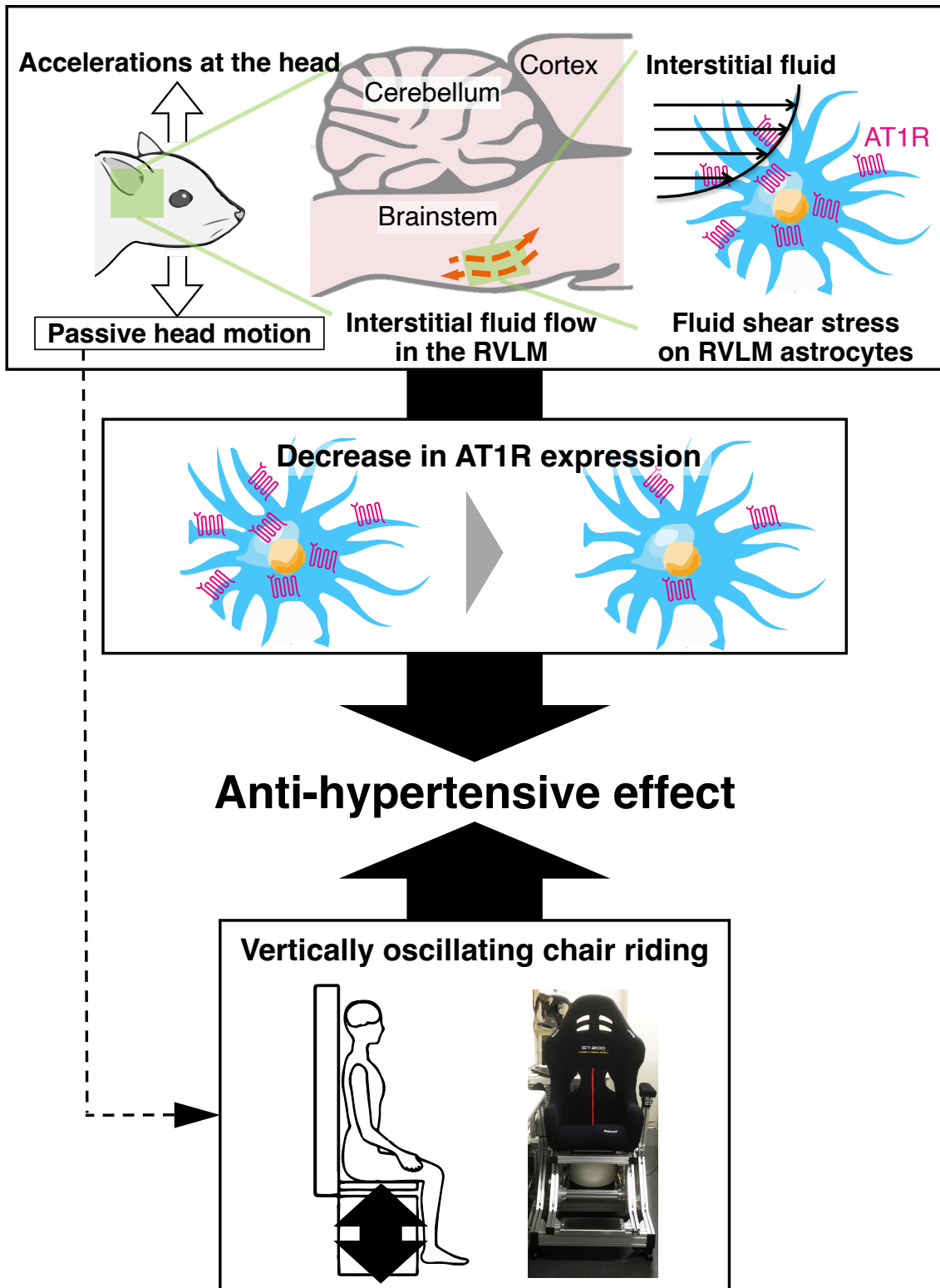
disqualifying conditions for this study (e.g., severe renal disease; see Methods) based on comprehensive evaluation. Therefore, we did not exclude participant #18 from our statistical analysis of BP and HR.



**Supplementary Fig. 7 | Design of the human study of protocol 3, and sex-segregated analysis of BP and HR in protocols 2 and 3. a, Schematic representation of protocol 3. b,**



From left to right, SBP, DBP, MAP, and HR “value of the week”s immediately before and after 4.5-week VOCR in the study of protocols 2 and 3. To avoid duplicate inputs, the VOCR data from participants #22 and #31 in protocol 3, who were participants #15 and #7 in protocol 2 (see Supplementary Table 3), were excluded from this analysis (male, SBP:  $P = 0.0033$ . DBP:  $P = 0.0094$ . MAP:  $P = 0.0046$ . HR:  $P = 0.4373$ .  $n = 13$ ; female, SBP:  $P = 0.0002$ . DBP:  $P = 0.0005$ . MAP:  $P = 0.0003$ . HR:  $P = 0.6257$ .  $n = 14$ ). \*\* $P < 0.01$ ; \*\*\* $P < 0.001$ ; NS, not significant; paired two-tailed Student’s  $t$ -test.



**Supplementary Fig. 8 | Schematic representation of the antihypertensive effects observed in PHM of hypertensive rats and VOCCR of hypertensive humans. The results from our**

animal experiments indicate that cyclical application of mechanical intervention to the head generates interstitial fluid movement in the RVLM, leading to FSS-induced decrease in the AT1R expression in astrocytes in situ, and thereby ameliorates hypertension. Our studies also show that the VOCR of hypertensive adult humans, which produces vertical accelerations at their heads, lowers their BP.

**a**

Property	Value
Porosity ( $\epsilon$ )	0.2 (20%)
Diameter of interstitial space ( $D_p$ ; $\mu\text{m}$ )	0.10–0.48
Kozeny constant ( $k$ )	4.5–5.5
Viscosity of interstitial fluid ( $\mu$ ; $\text{mPa}\cdot\text{s}$ )	0.72
Velocity of interstitial fluid movement (flow) ( $\mu\text{m/s}$ )	0.4–0.6

**b**

FSS ( $\tau_x$ ) at the cell surface:

$$\tau = \frac{\mu u_\infty}{\sqrt{K_p}}$$

$$K_p = \frac{D_p^2 \epsilon^3}{36k(1 - \epsilon)^2}$$

, where  $K_p$  is the Darcy permeability in the brain (RVLM).

When the values listed in **a** are introduced in these equations, the Darcy permeability is calculated as  $6.63 \times 10^{-19} - 1.45 \times 10^{-17} \text{ m}^2$ , and the magnitude of FSS is estimated as **0.076–0.53 Pa**.

### Supplementary Table 1 | Calculation of the magnitude of PHM-generated FSS on rat

**RVLM cells. a**, Values referenced for calculation of the magnitude of FSS that PHM generated

in the rat RVLM. Based on the estimated structure of the interstitial space in the rat RVLM

(Extended Data Fig. 6e and Extended Data Fig. 7d), we referenced 4.5–5.5 as the Kozeny

constant<sup>1-3</sup> to calculate the Darcy permeability (see Methods). Because the velocity of interstitial

fluid movement has been reported to be  $\sim 0.2 \mu\text{m/s}$  in sedentary rats<sup>4</sup> and mice<sup>5</sup>, we entered 0.4–

0.6  $\mu\text{m/s}$  as its value during PHM, based on our interpretation of the  $\mu\text{CT}$  study (i.e., two- to three-fold increase in velocity; Fig. 4g,h). The property of the interstitial fluid in the brain, whose composition is similar to that of the cerebrospinal fluid (CSF)<sup>6</sup>, was referenced from previous studies describing the viscosity of human CSF<sup>7,8</sup>. The diameter of the individual interstitial space was referenced from the values of the cross-sectional area of the interstitial space as shown in Extended Data Fig. 7c. **b**, Calculation of the magnitude of FSS generated by PHM. The Darcy permeability ( $K_p$ ) is calculated as  $6.63 \times 10^{-19} - 1.45 \times 10^{-17} \text{ m}^2$ . Following the calculation reported previously<sup>9</sup>, the magnitude of FSS ( $\tau$ ) at the cell surface is estimated as 0.076–0.53 Pa.

Participant #	Sex	Period since diagnosis or self-recognition as hypertension	Smoking	Current medication (dose per day)	Habitual exercise (times per week)	SBP/DBP (mm Hg) and HR (bpm) just before (left) and after (right) VOCCR period (month of first - last bout of VOCCR)	
	Age (years)	Declared health problems and diseases other than hypertension	Alcohol (if yes, how often)				
	Body weight (kg)						
	Height (cm)						
	BMI						
1	Male	13 years	No	Azilsartan · Amlodine (20 mg · 5 mg) Febuxostat (10 mg) Bisoprolol fumarate (5 mg)	Walking 90 min (3 or 4 times)	148/85	139/78
	60					62	66
	73					February - March	
	165.2						
	27.2	Hyperuricemia	Almost every day				
2	Female	14 years	No	None	Sit-ups 2 x 30 times (every day)	135/90	127/81
	53					70	69
	50					March	
	159						
	19.8	None	Almost every day				
3	Male	19 years	No	None	Judo (once)	135/86	129/91
	37					68	54
	113					March	
	186						
	32.7	None	Occasionally				
4	Female	6 years	No	None	None	141/87	132/80
	60					79	80
	73					April - May	
	156						
	30	None	Occasionally				
5	Female	1 year	No	Azilsartan (20 mg) Amlodine (2.5 mg)	None	144/84	140/80
	52					74	69
	50					April - May	
	148						
	22.8	None	Occasionally				
6	Female	10 years	No	None	None	130/74	124/73
	57					79	72
	68					November - December	
	164						
	25.3	None	Occasionally				
7	Male	Uncertain (<1 year)	No	Metformin hydrochloride (1000 mg) Rosuvastatin calcium (5 mg) Sitagliptin phosphate hydrate (50 mg)	Walking 120 min (once)	137/92	136/89
	61					85	87
	67					November - December	
	168						
	23.7	Diabetes mellitus Hyperlipidemia	No				
8	Male	3 months	Yes	Montelukast sodium (10 mg) Ebastine (10 mg)	Walking 60 min (once) Stretching 30 min (once)	125/86	117/76
	46					68	60
	72					November - December	
	178						
	22.7	Allergic rhinitis	Occasionally				
9	Male	7 months	No	None	Karate (2 or 3 times)	150/85	146/87
	55					72	71
	87					November - December	
	173						
	29.1	Diabetes mellitus	No				
10	Male	6 months	No	None	Walking 40 min (4 times)	144/91	120/79
	70					80	80
	62					November - December	
	166						
	22.5	None	Occasionally				
11	Female	Uncertain (>1 year)	No	Tamoxifen citrate (20 mg)	None	153/91	141/84
	60					72	64
	45					November - December	
	157						
	18.3	Breast cancer (post-surgery)	Almost every day				
12	Male	Uncertain (<1 year)	No	None	None	134/85	131/87
	68					69	71
	72					January - February	
	171						
	24.6	None	No				
13	Female	7 years	No	Telmisartan · Amlodipine (40 mg · 5 mg)	None	140/95	129/90
	56					66	68
	58					January - February	
	160						
	22.7	None	No				
14	Male	Uncertain (<1 year)	No	Sitagliptin phosphate hydrate (50 mg) Acetazolamide (250 mg)	None	130/85	131/80
	49					95	85
	69					January - February	
	168						
	24.5	Diabetes mellitus	No				

Participant #	Sex	Period since diagnosis or self-recognition as hypertension	Smoking	Current medication (dose per day)	Habitual exercise (times per week)	SBP/DBP (mm Hg) and HR (bpm) just before (left) and after (right) VOCR period (month of first - last bout of VOCR)		
	Age (years)					Declared health problems and diseases other than hypertension	Alcohol (if yes, how often)	
15	Male	Uncertain (<1 year)	No	None	None	None	141/87	125/75
	43						75	64
	69						August - September	
	165							
16	Female	15 years	No	None	Walking 60 min (6 times)	None	156/101	133/89
	48						71	89
	45.3						October - November	
	157.2							
17	Male	8 years	Yes	None	None	None	135/89	131/88
	65						59	59
	60.1						October	
	167.1							
18	Male	8 years	No	Azilsartan (20 mg) Lansoprazole (15 mg) Atorvastatin calcium hydrate (10 mg) Benidipine hydrochloride (4 mg)	None	None	149/105	139/101
	55						68	78
	93.4						November - December	
	168.1							
19	Male	2 years	No	None	None	Walking 60 min (3 times)	132/87	129/89
	41						61	58
	92.3						January - February	
	183.2							
20	Female	1 year	No	Amlodipine besilate (5 mg) Atorvastatin calcium hydrate (10 mg) Limaprost afadex (15 µg) Loxoprofen sodium hydrate (120 mg) Rebamipide (200 mg)	Swimming 40 min (5 times)	None	135/84	126/77
	65						70	67
	48.7						January - February	
	158.6							
21	Male	2 years	No	None	None	None	154/102	125/86
	32						68	74
	65.1						January - February	
	168.9							
	Female							
	32							
	65.1							
	168.9							
	22.8							

## Supplementary Table 2 | Information of participants in the human studies of protocol 1

and 2. SBP/DBP (mm Hg) and HR (bpm) just before and after VOCR are “value of the day”s in participants #1–#5 (protocol 1) and “value of the week”s in participants #6–#21 (protocol 2).

Participant 9 was excluded from our statistical analysis because of the high serum CRP value before VOCR (2.85 mg/dL), which made it difficult to rule out acute infection, a possible disqualifier, at the time of the initiation of VOCR, albeit the lack of specific complaint or local symptom related to acute physical problem(s). His serum CRP after the VOCR period was within the normal range (0.12 mg/dL).

Participant #	Sex	Period since diagnosis or self-recognition as hypertension	Smoking	Current medication (dose per day)	Habitual exercise (times per week)	SBP/DBP (mm Hg) and HR (bpm) just before (left) and after (right) NOCR period (month of first - last bout of NOCR)		SBP/DBP (mm Hg) and HR (bpm) just before (left) and after (right) VOCCR period (month of first - last bout of VOCCR)	
	Age (years)	Declared health problems and diseases other than hypertension	Alcohol (if yes, how often)			NOCR	VOCCR		
	Body weight (kg)								
	Height (cm)								
	BMI								
22 (15)	Male	Uncertain (>1 year)	No	None	None	132/84	136/85	134/84	124/73
	44					69	70	69	
	165					None	Occasionally	September - October	March - April
	25.3								
23	Female	3 years	No	Mecobalamin (1.5 mg)	Walking 30 min (2 or 3 times)	141/82	148/89	148/89	134/81
	69					62	65	63	
	152					Lumbar spinal canal stenosis	No	October - November	November - December
	16.5								
24	Female	None	Almost every day	None	Walking 30 min (once or twice)	144/94	150/96	155/102	143/92
	45					86	79	87	79
	157					None	Almost every day	October - November	March - April
	19.9								
25 (11)	Female	Uncertain (>1 year)	No	Tamoxifen citrate (20 mg)	None	150/96	139/91	ND	ND
	61					83	89	ND	
	157					Breast cancer (post-surgery)	Almost every day	October - November	ND
	18.3								
26 (17)	Male	8 years	Yes	None	None	132/87	129/85	ND	ND
	66					58	60	ND	
	167.1					None	Almost every day	October - December	ND
	21.5								
27	Male	This study (<1 month)	No	None	None	142/92	142/94	ND	ND
	37					63	65	ND	
	178					None	Occasionally	October - November	ND
	25.9								
28	Male	This study (<1 month)	No	None	Resistance training (3 times)	131/76	131/81	131/81	123/78
	23					59	60	60	62
	125					None	Occasionally	November - December	December - January
	178								
39.5									
29	Female	14 years	No	Amlodin + Atorvastatin (5 mg + 5 mg) Telmisartan (40 mg) Vonoprazan (10 mg)	None	137/88	143/93	140/92	135/91
	59					83	72	75	77
	160					Hyperlipidemia	No	November - December	January - February
	30.3								
30 (20)	Female	2 years	No	Amlodipine besilate (5 mg) Atorvastatin calcium hydrate (10 mg) Limaprost alfadex (15 µg) Loxoprofen sodium hydrate (120 mg) Rebamipide (200 mg)	Swimming 40 min (5 times)	129/80	125/77	ND	ND
	66					67	70	ND	
	158.6					Hyperlipidemia	Almost every day	November - December	ND
	19.4					Lumbar spinal canal stenosis (post-surgery)			
31 (7)	Male	Uncertain (>1 year)	No	Metformin hydrochloride (1000 mg) Rosuvastatin calcium (5 mg) Sitagliptin phosphate hydrate (50 mg)	Walking 120 min (once)	141/86	148/91	146/86	141/89
	62					87	89	90	90
	168					Diabetes mellitus	No	November - December	January - February
	23.7					Hyperlipidemia			
32	Female	Uncertain (>1 year)	No	Irbesartan (50 mg) Warfarin potassium (1 mg) Bisoprolol fumarate (5 mg) Lansoprazole (15 mg) Cilindipine (5 mg) Topiroxostat (20 mg) Ramelteon (8 mg)	None	170/110	164/107	164/107	164/105
	75					66	68	68	66
	157					Atrial fibrillation	Almost every day	February - March	March - April
	25.2					Hyperuricemia			
33	Male	7 year	No	None	Squash 120 min (4 times)	145/92	150/96	147/93	142/94
	71					64	62	64	58
	165					Prostate cancer (post-radiation therapy)	Almost every day	February - March	March - April
	22.8								
34	Female	This study (<1 month)	No	None	None	134/94	130/89	130/89	128/90
	46					75	76	76	79
	167					None	No	February - March	March - April
	23.3								
35	Female	19 years	No	None	None	149/83	148/80	149/81	149/79
	69					61	60	64	60
	148					Hyperlipidemia	Almost every day	February - March	March - April
	29.7								



Participant #	Sex	Period since diagnosis or self-recognition as hypertension	Smoking	Current medication (dose per day)	Habitual exercise (times per week)	SBP/DBP (mm Hg) and HR (bpm) just before (left) and after (right) NOCR period (month of first - last bout of NOCR)		SBP/DBP (mm Hg) and HR (bpm) just before (left) and after (right) VOCR period (month of first - last bout of VOCR)	
	Age (years)	Declared health problems and diseases other than hypertension	Alcohol (if yes, how often)			1	2	3	4
36	Female	3 years	No	None	Walking 60 min (5 times)	141/87	132/82	132/82	127/81
	52					51	51	51	
37	Female	1 year	No	None	None	143/87	144/90	151/91	135/87
	69					64	65	62	
38	Male	2 years	Yes	None	None	156/96	152/93	152/93	144/87
	67					69	69	66	
39	Female	29 years	No	Candesartan cilexetil • Amlodipine (8 mg • 5mg) Rivaroxaban (10 mg) Rosuvastatin (5 mg) Carvedilol (5 mg) Metformin hydrochloride (500 mg) Esomeprazole (20 mg) Sennoside (60 mg)	None	136/82	139/85	137/85	128/77
	83					82	80	79	
40	Male	13 years	No	Valsartan • Amlodipine (80 mg • 5 mg) Atorvastatin (10 mg) Benzbromarone (25 mg) Canagliflozin (100 mg) Metformin hydrochloride (1000 mg) Bisoprolol fumarate (5 mg)	None	147/80	152/80	ND	ND
	73					75	ND	ND	

### Supplementary Table 3 | Information of participants in the study of protocol 3. SBP/DBP

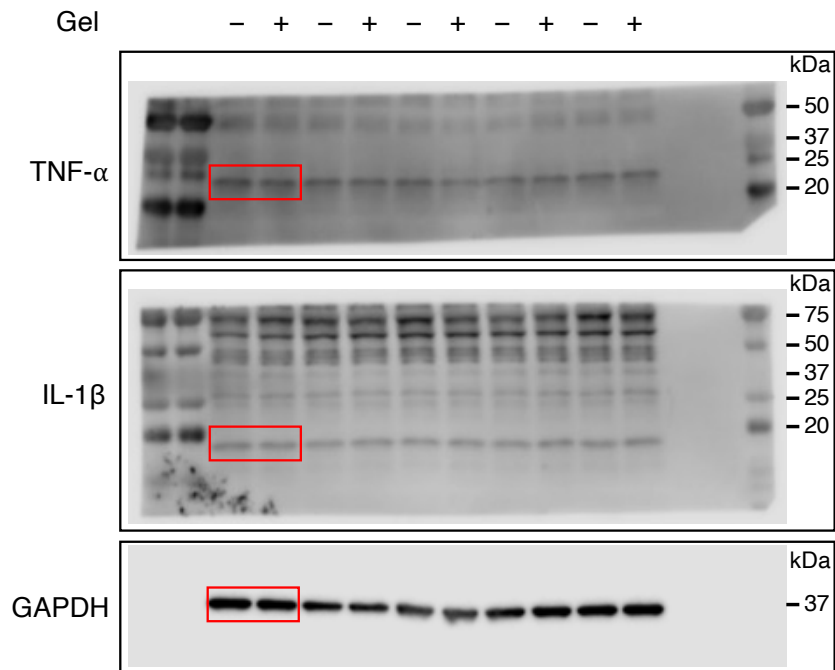
(mm Hg) and HR (bpm) just before and after NOCR or VOCR are “value of the week”s. Five of 19 participants in protocol 3 were participants in protocol 2. The parenthesized participant numbers indicate their participant numbers in protocol 2 (see Supplementary Table 2). They participated in protocol 3 upon their eligibility check at least nine months after the last bout of VOCR in protocol 2.

**Supplementary Video 1 | Rat treadmill running and PHM.** Treadmill running at a velocity of 20 m/min (top), and PHM that generates mechanical accelerations with a peak magnitude of 1.0  $\times g$  at the head (bottom) are shown.

**Supplementary Video 2 | Vertically oscillating chair riding (VOCR).** This video was taken solely to present the system with consent from the person who volunteered to join the filming as an occupant of the chair. It is not a record of the human study described in this paper.

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**Supplementary Data 1 | Uncropped blots for Supplementary Figure 3h.**

## Information of Statistical Analyses

Figure	<i>n</i>	Statistical test	<i>P</i> -value	
Figure 1b	<i>n</i> = 7 rats for each group of WKY; <i>n</i> = 8 rats for each group of SHRSP	two-way repeated measures ANOVA with Bonferroni's post hoc multiple comparisons test	SHRSP PHM (-) vs. (+) for Day15	<i>P</i> = 0.1344
			SHRSP PHM (-) vs. (+) for Day22	<i>P</i> = 0.0110
			SHRSP PHM (-) vs. (+) for Day29	<i>P</i> = 0.0463
			WKY PHM (-) vs. (+) for Day15	<i>P</i> > 0.9999
			WKY PHM (-) vs. (+) for Day22	<i>P</i> > 0.9999
			WKY PHM (-) vs. (+) for Day29	<i>P</i> > 0.9999
Figure 1c	<i>n</i> = 7 rats for each group of WKY; <i>n</i> = 8 rats for each group of SHRSP	one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	column 1 vs. 2	<i>P</i> = 0.9739
			column 3 vs. 4	<i>P</i> = 0.0046
Figure 1d	<i>n</i> = 7 rats for each group of WKY; <i>n</i> = 8 rats for each group of SHRSP	one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	column 1 vs. 2	<i>P</i> = 0.9650
			column 3 vs. 4	<i>P</i> = 0.2362
Figure 1e	<i>n</i> = 10 rats for WKY, PHM (-); <i>n</i> = 13 rats for WKY, PHM (+); <i>n</i> = 10 rats for SHRSP, PHM (-); <i>n</i> = 14 rats for SHRSP, PHM (+)	one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	column 1 vs. 2	<i>P</i> = 0.9866
			column 3 vs. 4	<i>P</i> = 0.0152
Figure 1f	<i>n</i> = 8 rats for each group of WKY; <i>n</i> = 16 rats for SHRSP, PHM (-); <i>n</i> = 13 rats for SHRSP, PHM (+)	one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	column 1 vs. 2	<i>P</i> = 0.9854
			column 3 vs. 4	<i>P</i> = 0.0085
Figure 1i	<i>n</i> = 3 rats for each group	one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	column 1 vs. 2	<i>P</i> = 0.9602
			column 1 vs. 3	<i>P</i> = 0.9215
			column 3 vs. 4	<i>P</i> = 0.9313
Figure 1j	<i>n</i> = 3 rats for each group	one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	column 1 vs. 2	<i>P</i> = 0.9455
			column 1 vs. 3	<i>P</i> = 0.0004
			column 3 vs. 4	<i>P</i> = 0.0002
Figure 2c	<i>n</i> = 5 rats for each group of WKY; <i>n</i> = 7 rats for SHRSP, PHM (-); <i>n</i> = 8 rats for	one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	column 1 vs. 2	<i>P</i> = 0.9876
			column 3 vs. 4	<i>P</i> = 0.0003

	SHRSP, PHM (+)			
Figure 2e	$n = 3$ rats for WKY, PHM (-); $n = 5$ rats for WKY, PHM (+); $n = 4$ rats for each group of SHRSP	one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	column 1 vs. 2	$P = 0.9953$
			column 3 vs. 4	$P = 0.0099$
Figure 3d	$n = 7$ rats for GFAP-AGTRAP; $n = 7$ rats for NSE-control; $n = 6$ rats for NSE-AGTRAP	two-way repeated measures ANOVA with Bonferroni's post hoc multiple comparisons test	GFAP-control vs. GFAP-AGTRAP	$P = 0.0222$
			NSE-control vs. NSE-AGTRAP	$P > 0.9999$
Figure 3e	$n = 7$ rats for GFAP-AGTRAP; $n = 7$ rats for NSE-control; $n = 6$ rats for NSE-AGTRAP	one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	column 1 vs. 2	$P = 0.0229$
			column 3 vs. 4	$P = 0.6864$
Figure 3f	$n = 4$ rats for each group	one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	column 1 vs. 2	$P = 0.0497$
			column 3 vs. 4	$P = 0.7455$
Figure 4d	$n = 4$ rats for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's t-test		$P = 0.0089$
Figure 4h	$n = 3$ rats for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's t-test	left chart	$P = 0.6666$
			middle chart	$P = 0.0218$
			right chart	$P = 0.0244$
Figure 5a	$n = 4$	unpaired two-tailed Student's t-test	for 0.05 Pa	$P = 0.6453$
			for 0.05 Pa	$P = 0.7517$
			for 0.3 Pa	$P = 0.0226$
			for 0.5 Pa	$P = 0.0064$
			for 0.7 Pa	$P < 0.0001$
Figure 5b	$n = 4$	unpaired two-tailed Student's t-test	for 1 mm Hg	$P = 0.5592$
			for 10 mm Hg	$P = 0.7113$
			for 20 mm Hg	$P = 0.0088$
			for 40 mm Hg	$P < 0.0001$
Figure 5d	$n = 4$ for 6 h FSS (-); $n = 3$ for the other groups	unpaired two-tailed Student's t-test	for 6 h	$P = 0.0049$
			for 24 h	$P = 0.0006$
Figure 5f	$n = 3$ for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's t-test	for 6 h	$P = 0.0002$
			for 24 h.	$P = 0.0104$
Figure 6b	$n = 7$ rats for Gel (-), PHM (+) and Gel (+),	two-way repeated measures ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	blue vs. orange for Day 15	$P = 0.4314$
			blue vs. orange for Day 22	$P = 0.4685$

	PHM (+); $n = 6$ rats for Gel (+), PHM (-)		blue vs. orange for Day 29	$P = 0.0389$
			blue vs. black for Day 15	$P = 0.5372$
			blue vs. black for Day 22	$P = 0.2000$
			blue vs. black for Day 29	$P = 0.0406$
			black vs. orange for Day 15	$P = 0.9911$
			black vs. orange for Day 22	$P = 0.8222$
			black vs. orange for Day 29	$P = 0.9965$
Figure 6c	$n = 7$ rats for Gel (-), PHM (+) and Gel (+), PHM (+); $n = 6$ rats for Gel (+), PHM (-)	one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	column 1 vs. 2	$P = 0.0387$
			column 1 vs. 3	$P = 0.0372$
			column 2 vs. 3	$P = 0.9959$
Figure 6d	$n = 5$ rats for each group	one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	column 1 vs. 2	$P = 0.0247$
			column 1 vs. 3	$P = 0.0307$
			column 2 vs. 3	$P = 0.9920$
Figure 6f	$n = 4$ rats for each group	one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	column 1 vs. 2	$P < 0.0001$
			column 1 vs. 3	$P < 0.0001$
			column 2 vs. 3	$P = 0.1597$
Figure 6g	$n = 4$ rats for each group	one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	column 1 vs. 2	$P = 0.6029$
			column 1 vs. 3	$P = 0.9963$
			column 2 vs. 3	$P = 0.5552$
Figure 7a	$n = 15$	paired two-tailed Student's t-test	SBP	$P = 0.0005$
			DBP	$P = 0.0011$
			MAP	$P = 0.0008$
			HR	$P = 0.7845$
Figure 7b	$n = 15$ for Pre and Weeks 1 to 5; $n =$ 13 for Week 6; $n$ $= 12$ for Week 7; $n$ $= 11$ for Weeks 8 and 9; $n =$ 9 for Week 10; $n = 7$ for Week 11; $n = 3$ for Week 12	paired two-tailed Student's t-test	SBP for Pre vs. Week 1	$P = 0.0293$
			SBP for Pre vs. Week 2	$P = 0.0028$
			SBP for Pre vs. Week 3	$P = 0.0013$
			SBP for Pre vs. Week 4	$P = 0.0035$
			SBP for Pre vs. Week 5	$P = 0.0002$
			SBP for Pre vs. Week 6	$P = 0.0078$
			SBP for Pre vs. Week 7	$P = 0.0035$
			SBP for Pre vs. Week 8	$P = 0.0075$
			SBP for Pre vs. Week 9	$P = 0.2132$

SBP for Pre vs. Week 10	$P = 0.1314$
SBP for Pre vs. Week 11	$P = 0.0973$
SBP for Pre vs. Week 12	$P = 0.3993$
DBP for Pre vs. Week 1	$P = 0.3022$
DBP for Pre vs. Week 2	$P = 0.0436$
DBP for Pre vs. Week 3	$P = 0.0010$
DBP for Pre vs. Week 4	$P = 0.0100$
DBP for Pre vs. Week 5	$P = 0.0006$
DBP for Pre vs. Week 6	$P = 0.0599$
DBP for Pre vs. Week 7	$P = 0.0488$
DBP for Pre vs. Week 8	$P = 0.0096$
DBP for Pre vs. Week 9	$P = 0.9346$
DBP for Pre vs. Week 10	$P = 0.7850$
DBP for Pre vs. Week 11	$P = 0.0769$
DBP for Pre vs. Week 12	$P = 0.3137$
MAP for Pre vs. Week 1	$P = 0.1075$
MAP for Pre vs. Week 2	$P = 0.0132$
MAP for Pre vs. Week 3	$P = 0.0008$
MAP for Pre vs. Week 4	$P = 0.0063$
MAP for Pre vs. Week 5	$P = 0.0003$
MAP for Pre vs. Week 6	$P = 0.0251$
MAP for Pre vs. Week 7	$P = 0.0136$
MAP for Pre vs. Week 8	$P = 0.0071$
MAP for Pre vs. Week 9	$P = 0.6795$
MAP for Pre vs. Week 10	$P = 0.4295$
MAP for Pre vs. Week 11	$P = 0.0704$
MAP for Pre vs. Week 12	$P = 0.3662$
HR for Pre vs. Week 1	$P = 0.6287$
HR for Pre vs. Week 2	$P = 0.7840$
HR for Pre vs. Week 3	$P = 0.1573$
HR for Pre vs. Week 4	$P = 0.5380$
HR for Pre vs. Week 5	$P = 0.7331$
HR for Pre vs. Week 6	$P = 0.6995$



			HR for Pre vs. Week 7	$P = 0.9110$
			HR for Pre vs. Week 8	$P = 0.9875$
			HR for Pre vs. Week 9	$P = 0.5866$
			HR for Pre vs. Week 10	$P = 0.9566$
			HR for Pre vs. Week 11	$P = 0.6487$
			HR for Pre vs. Week 12	$P = 0.9905$
Figure 8a	$n = 19$ for NOCR; $n = 14$ for VOCR	paired two-tailed Student's t-test	NOCR, SBP	$P = 0.9148$
			NOCR, DBP	$P = 0.6597$
			NOCR, MAP	$P = 0.7502$
			NOCR, HR	$P = 0.9002$
			VOCR, SBP	$P = 0.0001$
			VOCR, DBP	$P = 0.0051$
			VOCR, MAP	$P = 0.0006$
			VOCR, HR	$P = 0.0867$
Figure 8b	$n = 10$ for NOCR; $n = 12$ for VOCR	Wilcoxon signed-rank test	NOCR	$P = 0.492$
			VOCR	$P = 0.016$
Figure 8c	$n = 12$ for NOCR; $n = 12$ for VOCR	Wilcoxon signed-rank test	NOCR	$P = 0.969$
			VOCR	$P = 0.063$

Figure	$n$	Statistical test	P-value	
Extended Data Figure 1a	$n = 6$ rats for no daily anesthesia; $n = 8$ rats for PHM (-)	two-way repeated measures ANOVA with Bonferroni's post hoc multiple comparisons test	for Day 15	$P > 0.9999$
			for Day 22	$P > 0.9999$
			for Day 29	$P > 0.9999$
Extended Data Figure 1c	$n = 15$ rats for PHM (-); $n = 15$ rats for PHM (+)	long-rank test		$P = 0.1179$
Extended Data Figure 1d	$n = 9$ rats for PHM (-); $n = 8$ rats for PHM (+)	long-rank test		$P = 0.0093$
Extended Data Figure 2b	$n = 8$ rats for PHM (-) and PHM (dorsal-ventral); $n = 5$ rats for PHM (rostral-caudal) and PHM (left-right)	two-way repeated measures ANOVA with Dunnett's post hoc multiple comparisons test	orange vs. blue for Day 15	$P = 0.0376$
			orange vs. blue for Day 22	$P = 0.0018$
			orange vs. blue for Day 29	$P = 0.0105$
			orange vs. magenta for Day 15	$P = 0.4131$
			orange vs. magenta for Day 22	$P = 0.2448$
			orange vs. magenta for Day 29	$P = 0.0148$
			orange vs. green for Day 15	$P = 0.4869$

			orange vs. green for Day 22	$P = 0.6439$
			orange vs. green for Day 29	$P = 0.9273$
Extended Data Figure 2c	$n = 8$ rats for PHM (-) and PHM (dorsal-ventral); $n = 5$ rats for PHM (rostral-caudal) and PHM (left-right)	one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	column 1 vs. 2	$P = 0.0363$
			for column 1 vs. 3	$P = 0.0465$
			for column 1 vs. 4	$P = 0.9576$
			for column 2 vs. 3	$P = 0.9948$
Extended Data Figure 3b	$n = 8$ rats for PHM (-) and PHM (2 Hz); $n = 5$ rats for PHM (0.5 Hz) and PHM (0.2 Hz)	two-way repeated measures ANOVA with Dunnett's post hoc multiple comparisons test	orange vs. blue for Day 15	$P = 0.1871$
			orange vs. blue for Day 22	$P = 0.0519$
			orange vs. blue for Day 29	$P = 0.0282$
			orange vs. magenta for Day 15	$P = 0.7252$
			orange vs. magenta for Day 22	$P = 0.2053$
			orange vs. magenta for Day 29	$P = 0.0208$
			orange vs. green for Day 15	$P = 0.9212$
			orange vs. green for Day 22	$P = 0.9356$
			orange vs. green for Day 29	$P = 0.8950$
Extended Data Figure 3c	$n = 8$ rats for PHM (-) and PHM (2 Hz); $n = 5$ rats for PHM (0.5 Hz) and PHM (0.2 Hz)	one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	for column 1 vs. 2	$P = 0.0435$
			for column 1 vs. 3	$P = 0.0174$
			for column 1 vs. 4	$P = 0.9068$
			for column 2 vs. 3	$P = 0.8682$
Extended Data Figure 3d	$n = 8$ rats for PHM (-), PHM (1 × g), and PHM (0.2 × g); $n = 7$ rats for PHM (0.5 × g)	two-way repeated measures ANOVA with Dunnett's post hoc multiple comparisons test	orange vs. blue for Day 15	$P = 0.1812$
			orange vs. blue for Day 22	$P = 0.0504$
			orange vs. blue for Day 29	$P = 0.0274$
			orange vs. magenta for Day 15	$P = 0.4146$
			orange vs. magenta for Day 22	$P = 0.1740$
			orange vs. magenta for Day 29	$P = 0.0036$
			orange vs. green for Day 15	$P = 0.9996$
			orange vs. green for Day 22	$P = 0.9267$
			orange vs. green for Day 29	$P = 0.1618$
Extended Data Figure 3e	$n = 8$ rats for PHM (-), PHM (1 × g), and PHM (0.2 × g); $n = 7$ rats for PHM (0.5 × g)	one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	column 1 vs. 2	$P = 0.0227$
			column 1 vs. 3	$P = 0.0014$
			column 1 vs. 4	$P = 0.1664$
			column 2 vs. 3	$P = 0.6283$
Extended Data Figure 4b	$n = 3$ rats for treadmill (-); $n = 4$ rats for treadmill (+)	unpaired two-tailed Student's t-test		$P = 0.7056$

Extended Data Figure 4c	$n = 3$ rats for treadmill (-); $n = 4$ rats for treadmill (+)	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test		$P = 0.0048$
Extended Data Figure 5c	$n = 3$ rats for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test	column 1 vs. 2	$P < 0.0001$
			column 3 vs. 4	$P < 0.0001$
Extended Data Figure 5e	$n = 3$ rats for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test	column 1 vs. 2	$P < 0.0001$
			column 3 vs. 4	$P < 0.0001$
Extended Data Figure 5f	$n = 6$ rats for no AAV injection; $n = 6$ rats for GFAP-control; $n = 7$ rats for NSE-control	two-way repeated measures ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	blue vs. orange	$P = 0.9918$
			blue vs. black	$P = 0.6465$
			orange vs. black	$P = 0.5966$
Extended Data Figure 5g	GFAP-control: $n = 6$ rats for Day 1, Day 8, and Day 15; $n = 3$ rats for Day 22 and Day 29. GFAP-AGTRAP: $n = 7$ rats for Day 1, Day 8, and Day 15; $n = 3$ rats for Day 22 and Day 29	two-way repeated measures ANOVA with Bonferroni's post hoc multiple comparisons test	Day 8	$P = 0.5615$
			Day 15	$P = 0.0284$
			Day 22	$P > 0.9999$
			Day 29	$P > 0.9999$
Extended Data Figure 8b	$n = 6$ for 6 h; $n = 3$ for 24 h/FSS (-); $n = 6$ for 24 h/FSS (+)	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test	6 h	$P = 0.0116$
			24 h	$P < 0.0001$
Extended Data Figure 8c	$n = 4$ for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test	6 h	$P = 0.6065$
			24 h	$P = 0.6490$
Extended Data Figure 8e	$n = 3$	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test		$P = 0.2308$
Extended Data Figure 9c	$n = 4$ rats for PHM (-); $n = 3$ rats for PHM (+)	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test		$P = 0.0064$
Extended Data Figure 9e	$n = 4$ rats for PHM (-); $n = 3$ rats for PHM (+)	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test		$P = 0.0022$
Extended Data Figure 10b	$n = 8$ rats for each group	two-way repeated measures ANOVA with Bonferroni's post hoc multiple comparisons test	Day 15	$P > 0.9999$
			Day 22	$P > 0.9999$
			Day 29	$P > 0.9999$
Extended Data Figure 10c	$n = 8$ rats for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test		$P = 0.9167$
Extended Data Figure 10e	$n = 3$ rats for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test		$P = 0.0173$
Extended Data Figure 10f	$n = 3$ rats for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test		$P = 0.7812$

Figure	$n$	Statistical test	$P$ -value
Supplementary Figure 1d	$n = 3$ rats for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test	$P = 0.8226$
Supplementary Figure 1f	$n = 3$ rats for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test	$P = 0.2342$

Supplementary Figure 2b	$n = 7$ rats for treadmill (-)/Gel (-); $n = 6$ rats for treadmill (+)/Gel (-); $n = 4$ rats for each group of Gel (+)	two-way repeated measures ANOVA with Bonferroni's post hoc comparisons test	black vs. blue for Day 15	$P > 0.9999$
			black vs. blue for Day 22	$P = 0.0001$
			black vs. blue for Day 29	$P = 0.0004$
			gray vs. orange for Day 15	$P > 0.9999$
			gray vs. orange for Day 22	$P > 0.9999$
			gray vs. orange for Day 29	$P > 0.9999$
Supplementary Figure 2c	$n = 7$ rats for treadmill (-)/Gel (-); $n = 6$ rats for treadmill (+)/Gel (-); $n = 4$ rats for each group of Gel (+)	one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post hoc multiple comparisons test	column 1 vs. 2	$P = 0.0015$
			column 3 vs. 4	$P = 0.9997$
			column 1 vs. 3	$P = 0.7751$
Supplementary Figure 3b	$n = 3$ rats for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test		$P = 0.6518$
Supplementary Figure 3c	$n = 3$ rats for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test		$P = 0.6943$
Supplementary Figure 3d	$n = 3$ rats for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test		$P = 0.7938$
Supplementary Figure 3e	$n = 3$ rats for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test		$P = 0.8722$
Supplementary Figure 3f	$n = 3$ rats for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test		$P = 0.1679$
Supplementary Figure 3g	$n = 3$ rats for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test		$P = 0.7247$
Supplementary Figure 3h	$n = 5$ rats for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test	for TNF- $\alpha$	$P = 0.2312$
			for IL-1 $\beta$	$P = 0.9342$
Supplementary Figure 3i	$n = 5$ rats for each group	unpaired two-tailed Student's $t$ -test		$P = 0.8433$
Supplementary Figure 4b	$n = 5$ rats	one-way repeated measures ANOVA with Dunnett's multiple comparisons test	SBP for beat 1	$P = 0.5829$
			SBP for beat 2	$P = 0.9994$
			SBP for beat 3	$P = 0.9627$
			SBP for beat 4	$P = 0.4169$
			SBP for beat 5	$P = 0.6948$
			SBP for beat 6	$P = 0.9999$
			SBP for beat 7	$P = 0.8152$
			SBP for beat 8	$P = 0.1381$
			SBP for beat 9	$P = 0.3191$
			SBP for beat 10	$P = 0.5286$
			MAP for beat 1	$P = 0.9906$
			MAP for beat 2	$P > 0.9999$
			MAP for beat 3	$P = 0.9997$
			MAP for beat 4	$P = 0.9997$
MAP for beat 5	$P = 0.9349$			

MAP for beat 6	$P = 0.3562$
MAP for beat 7	$P = 0.2239$
MAP for beat 8	$P = 0.1599$
MAP for beat 9	$P = 0.3001$
MAP for beat 10	$P = 0.2596$
DBP for beat 1	$P = 0.9810$
DBP for beat 2	$P > 0.9999$
DBP for beat 3	$P > 0.9999$
DBP for beat 4	$P > 0.9999$
DBP for beat 5	$P = 0.9996$
DBP for beat 6	$P = 0.9997$
DBP for beat 7	$P = 0.9421$
DBP for beat 8	$P = 0.5327$
DBP for beat 9	$P = 0.4949$
DBP for beat 10	$P = 0.5215$
HR for beat 1	$P = 0.8547$
HR for beat 2	$P = 0.7825$
HR for beat 3	$P = 0.8267$
HR for beat 4	$P = 0.6800$
HR for beat 5	$P = 0.9996$
HR for beat 6	$P = 0.9834$
HR for beat 7	$P = 0.8658$
HR for beat 8	$P = 0.9460$
HR for beat 9	$P = 0.4602$
HR for beat 10	$P = 0.8992$
ADNA for beat 1	$P = 0.6663$
ADNA for beat 2	$P = 0.9996$
ADNA for beat 3	$P = 0.9258$
ADNA for beat 4	$P = 0.8960$
ADNA for beat 5	$P = 0.9211$
ADNA for beat 6	$P = 0.4492$
ADNA for beat 7	$P = 0.3520$
ADNA for beat 8	$P = 0.9995$

			ADNA for beat 9	$P = 0.9979$
			ADNA for beat 10	$P = 0.5181$
Supplementary Figure 5d	$n = 5$	paired two-tailed Student's t-test	SBP	$P = 0.0018$
			DBP	$P = 0.1509$
			MAP	$P = 0.0459$
			HR	$P = 0.3900$
Supplementary Figure 6b	$n = 15$	paired two-tailed Student's t-test	Aldosterone	$P = 0.6265$
			Renin activity	$P = 0.3794$
			Epinephrine	$P = 0.5103$
			Norepinephrine	$P = 0.2653$
			Dopamine	$P > 0.9999$
			CRP	$P = 0.4412$
Supplementary Figure 7b	$n = 15$ for Pre and Weeks 1 to 5; $n = 13$ for Week 6; $n = 12$ for Week 7; $n = 11$ for Weeks 8 and 9; $n = 9$ for Week 10; $n = 7$ for Week 11; $n = 3$ for Week 12	paired two-tailed Student's t-test	Male, SBP	$P = 0.0033$
			Male, DBP	$P = 0.0094$
			Male, MAP	$P = 0.0046$
			Male, HR	$P = 0.4373$
			Female, SBP	$P = 0.0002$
			Female, DBP	$P = 0.0005$
			Female, MAP	$P = 0.0003$
			Female, HR	$P = 0.6257$