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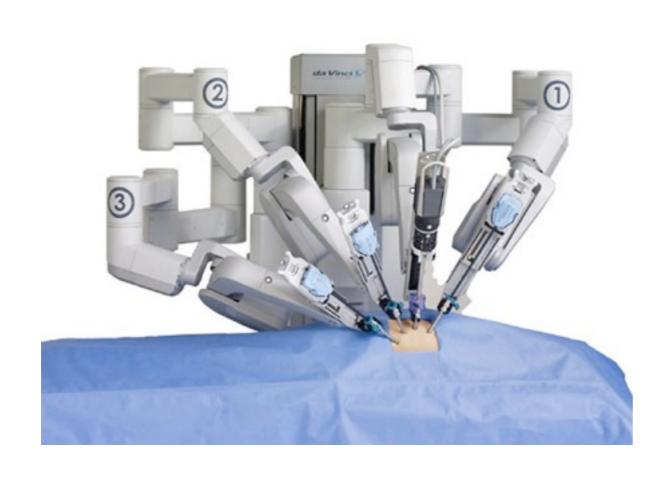
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Robot?

Czech author Karel Čapek (1921) introduces the word Robot (from Robota: serf laborer)

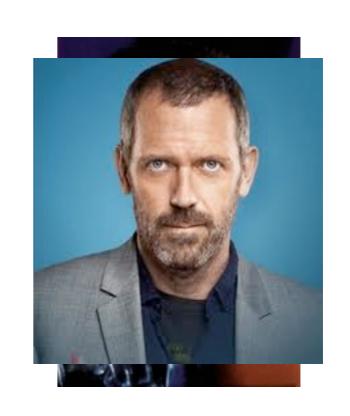
ISO definition: 'An automatically controlled, reprogrammable, multipurpose, manipulator programmable in three or more axes, which may be either fixed in place or mobile for use in industrial automation applications'

Automaton?

Automaton: a machine that is capable of performing pre-defined movements, but NOT capable to adapt to its surroundings, an automaton.

Cyborg?

Cyborg: a cybernetic organism that combines biological and artificial (electronic, mechanic, robotic) parts, joined tightly.



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- Less pain
- Less bloodloss
- Faster recovery
- Less infections



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Abdominal cavity is distended with CO₂ to enable exposure

- Breathing gets more difficult
- Preload ↓↓ → BP ↓↓
- Vasodilation → BP ↓↓
- CO₂ absorption 20 50 % →
 breathing still more difficult



Patient is tilted head down

- Breathing yet even more difficult
- Preload ↑↑ → BP ↑↑
- Engorgement of the head
- ICP 1



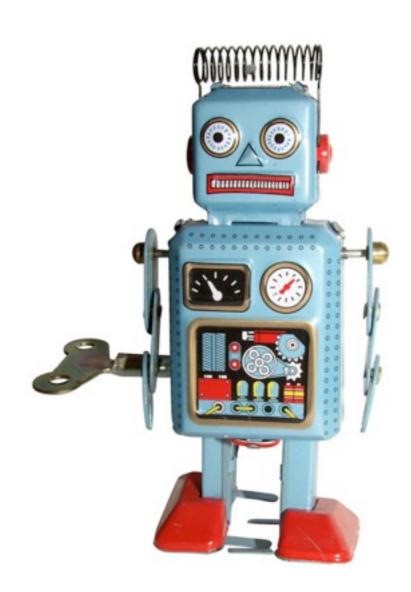
In summary:

- Better for patient post surgery
- Fysiologically (far) more demanding than conventional open surgery



Robotically assisted vs Minimally Invasive

- All of this and a lot worse !!!
 (and it takes a lot longer too)
- OR bed in extreme
 Trendelenburg position
 (in Erasmus MC 40°)
 How long can this be done?
- And there is no access to the patient!!



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In summary:

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- It sucks big time for Anesthesiologists



Some Friendly Advice

- "Make sure you don't get involved. Any pretext will do."
- "If they still put you in the room, call in sick."



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- "It's a hemodynamic and respiratory disaster zone."
- "Lots of nerve and plexus lesions."
- "Lots of pressure sores."
- "It's really BAD!"



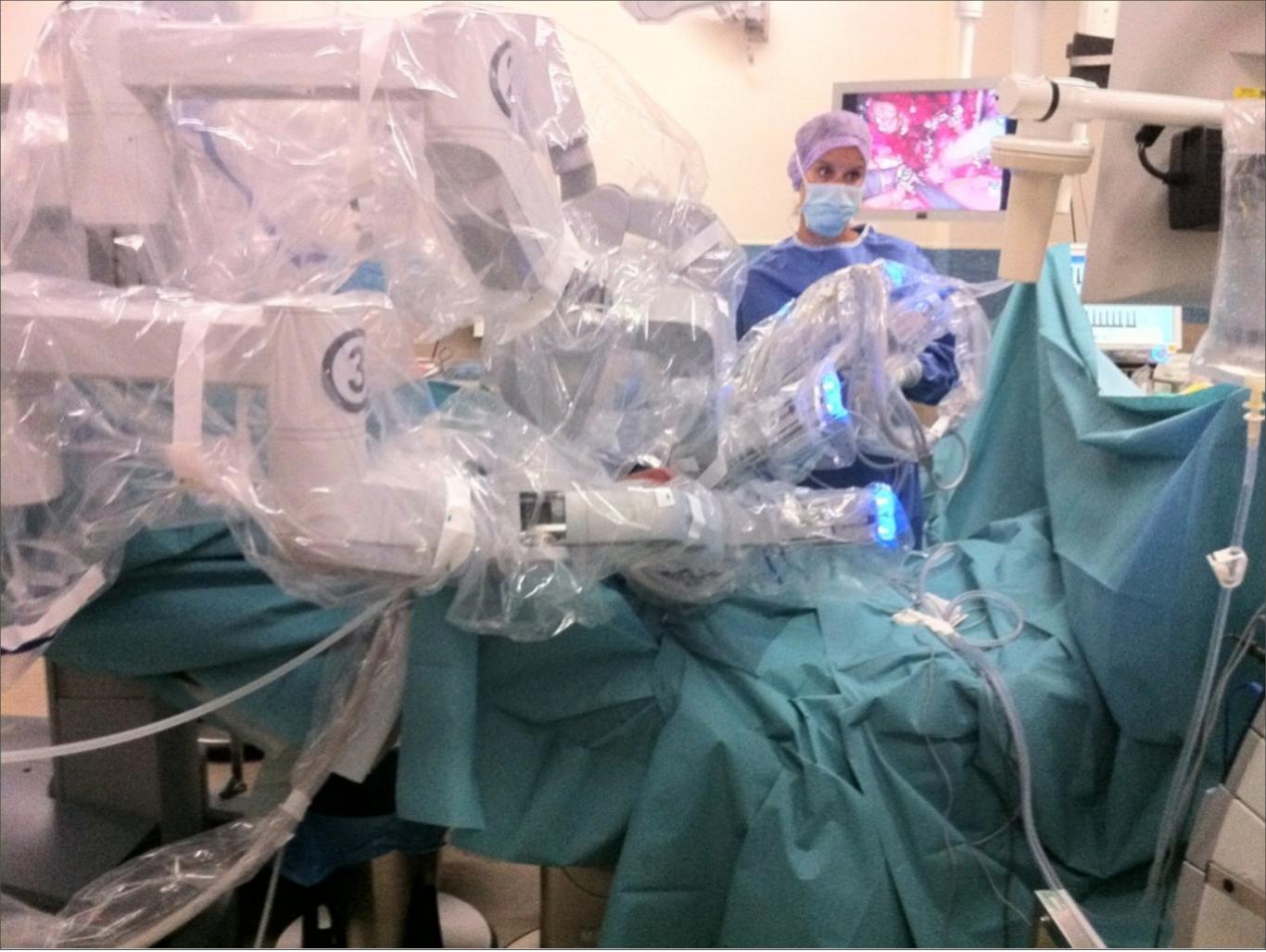
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- "Oh, and by the way. You have no access to the patient. If anything bad happens, you're f**cked, you can't do anything about it. You might as well camp out at the coffee room."

- "Don't argue, you can't win.Just call in sick!"







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Robot assisted surgery: The Issues

- Extreme Trendelenburg
 - Mechanical
 - Physiologic
- No Access to the patient

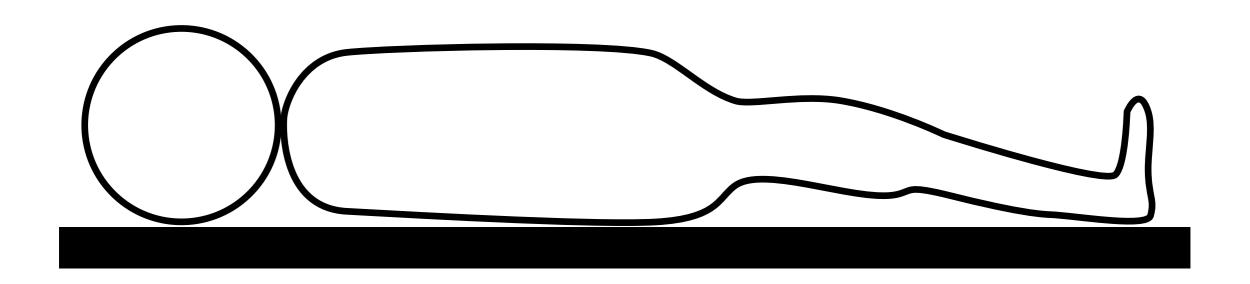


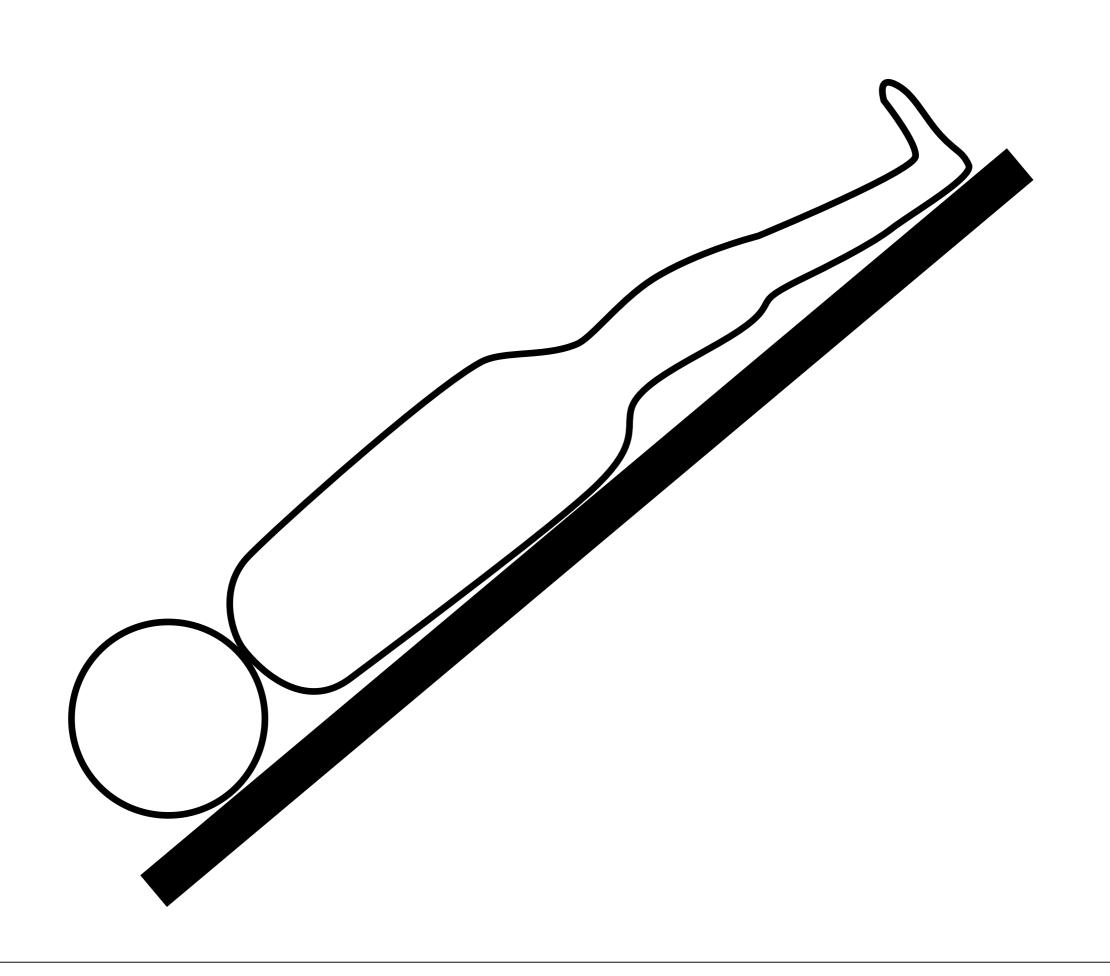


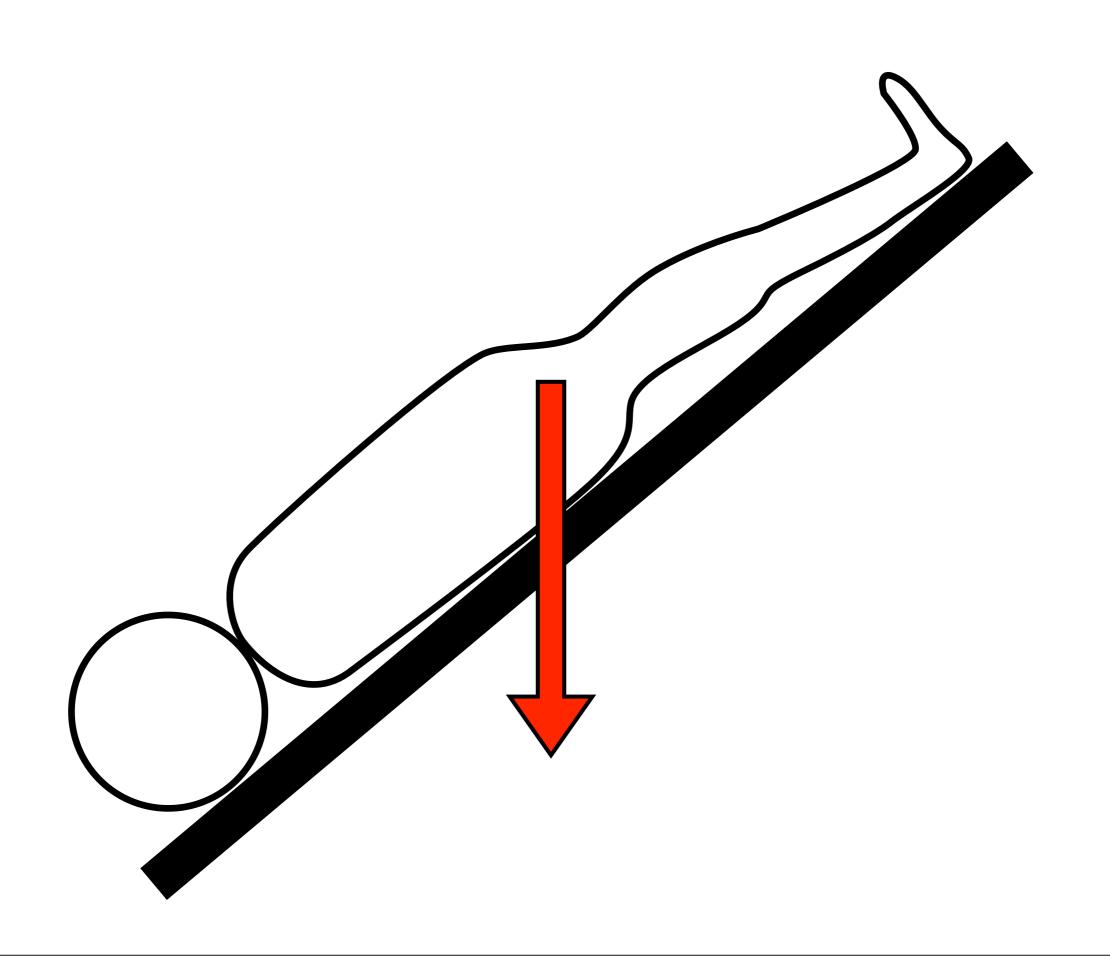
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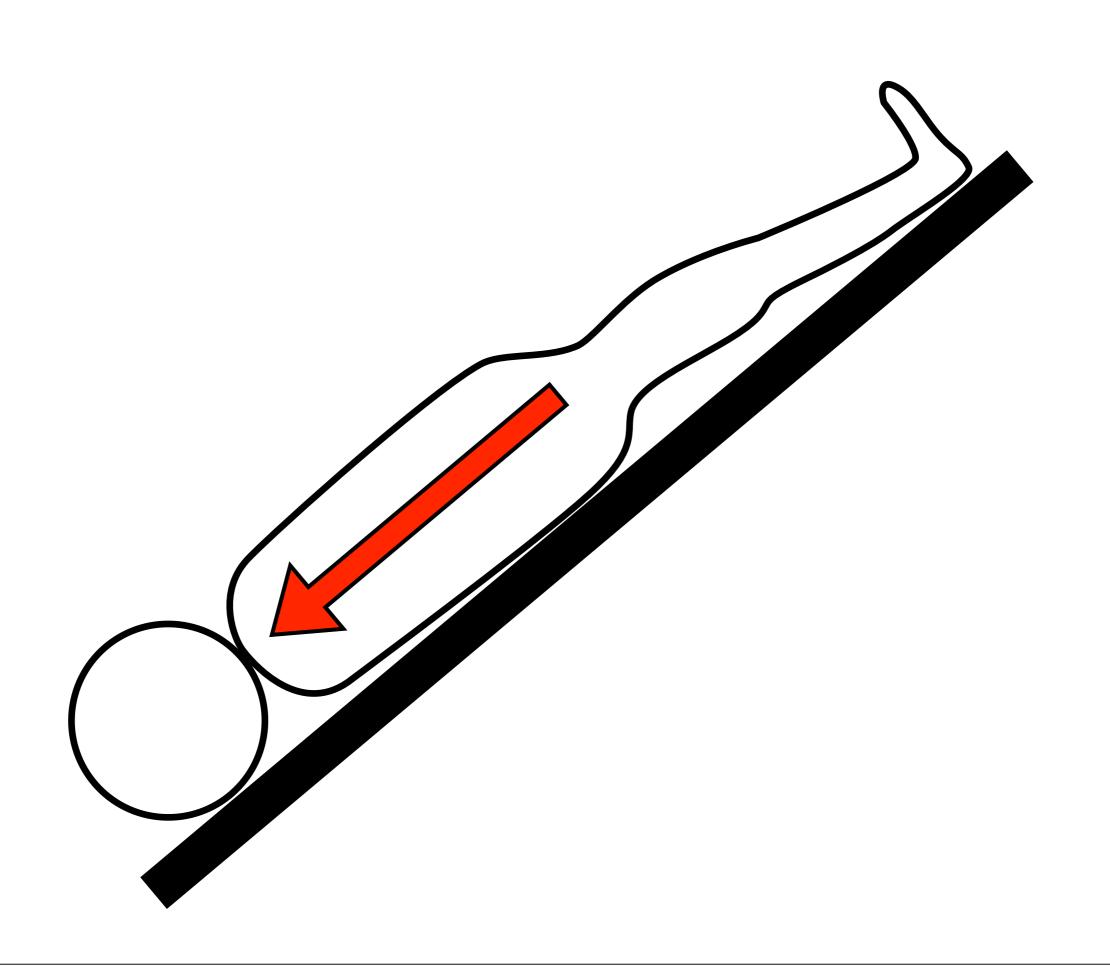
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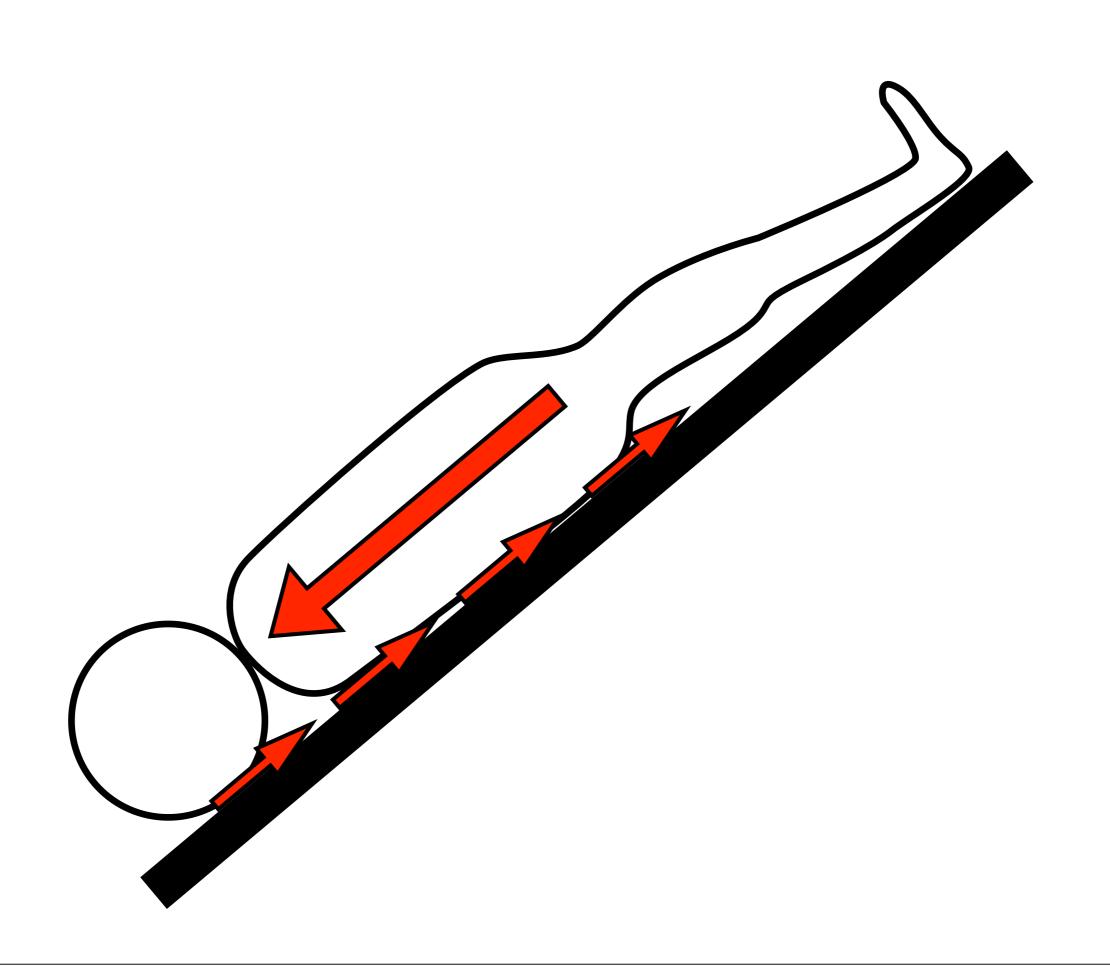
- Consider doubling everything (IV, BP etc)
- Hook up anything you may need before surgery
- Test everything before and after positioning
- Do fire drills to see how long it takes to remove the robot, level the patient and remove drapings

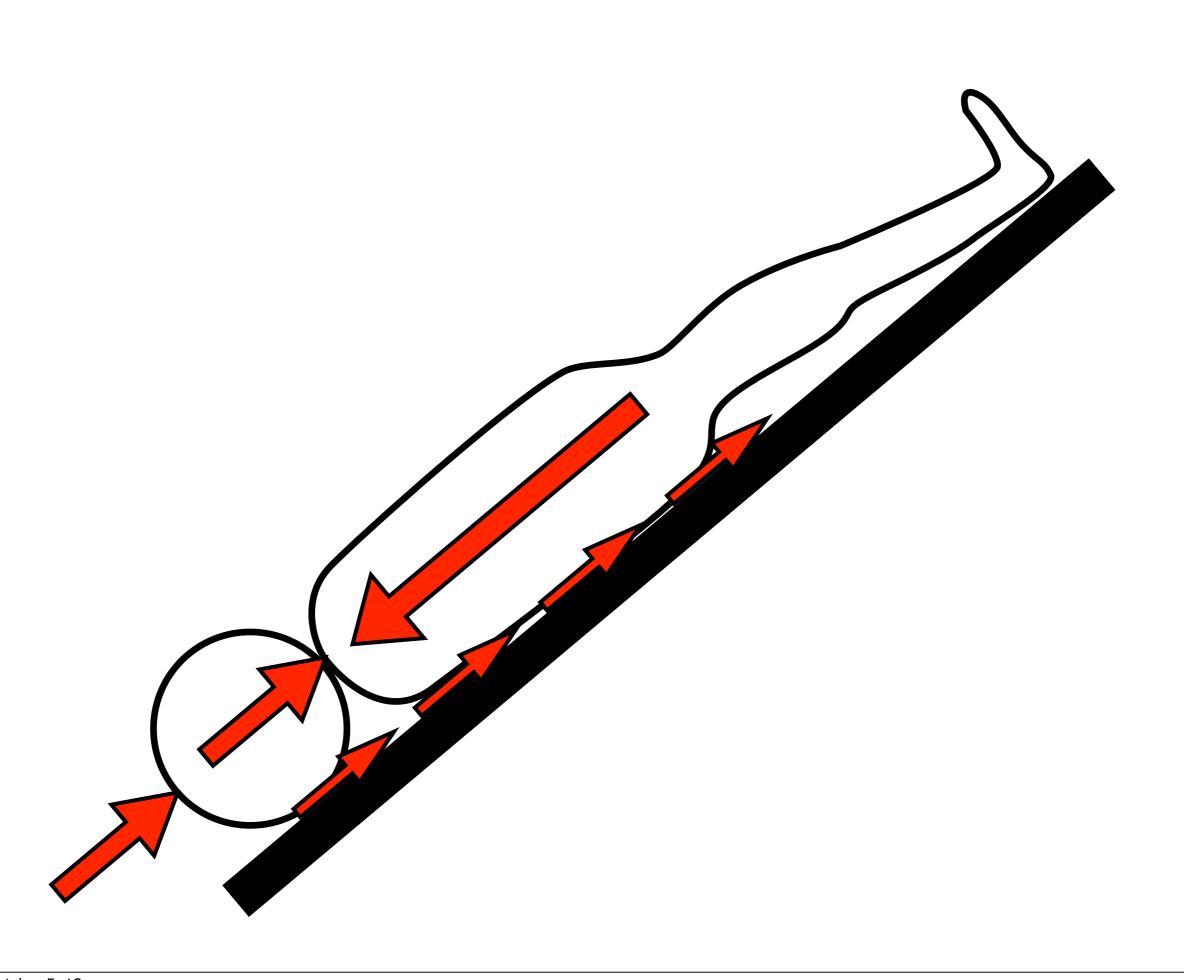


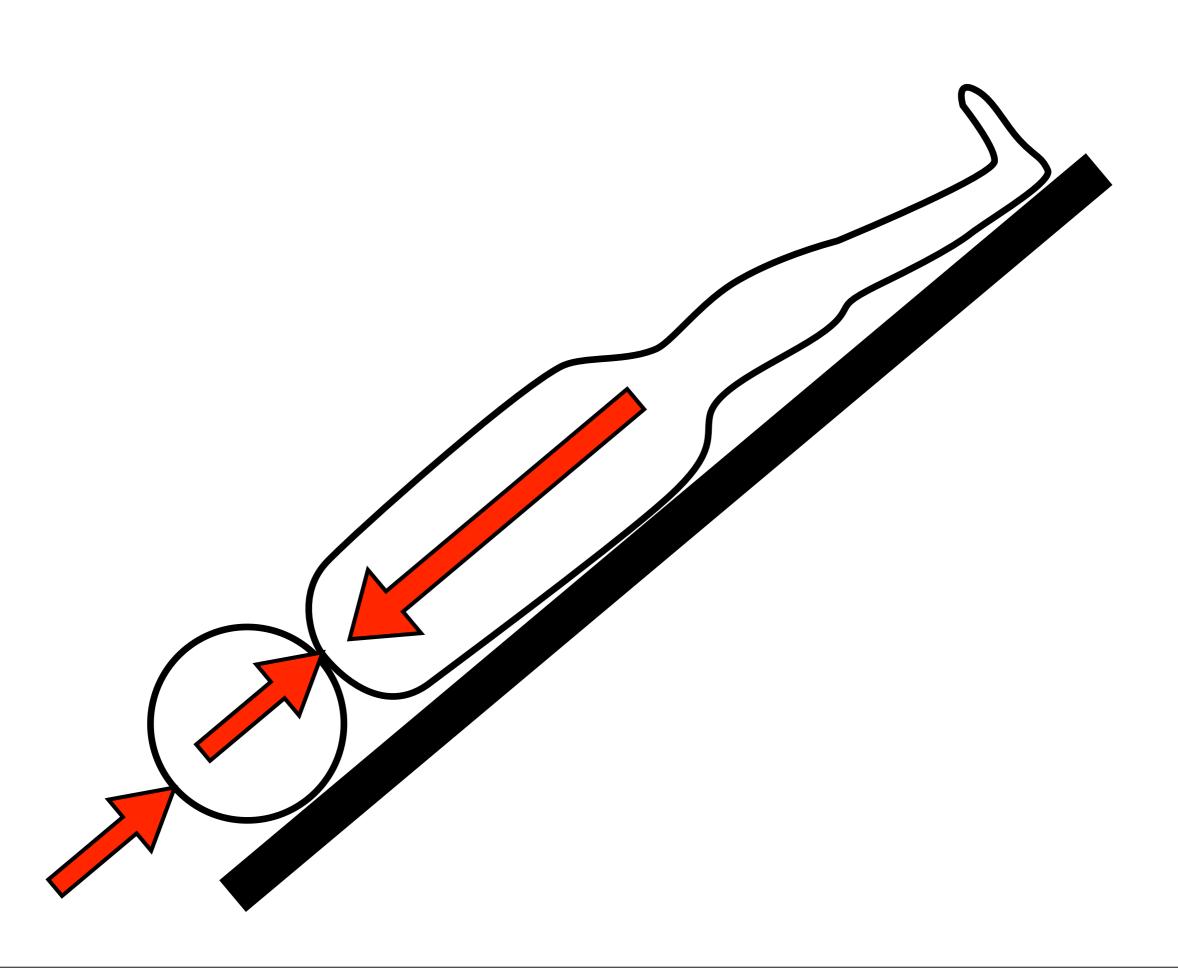


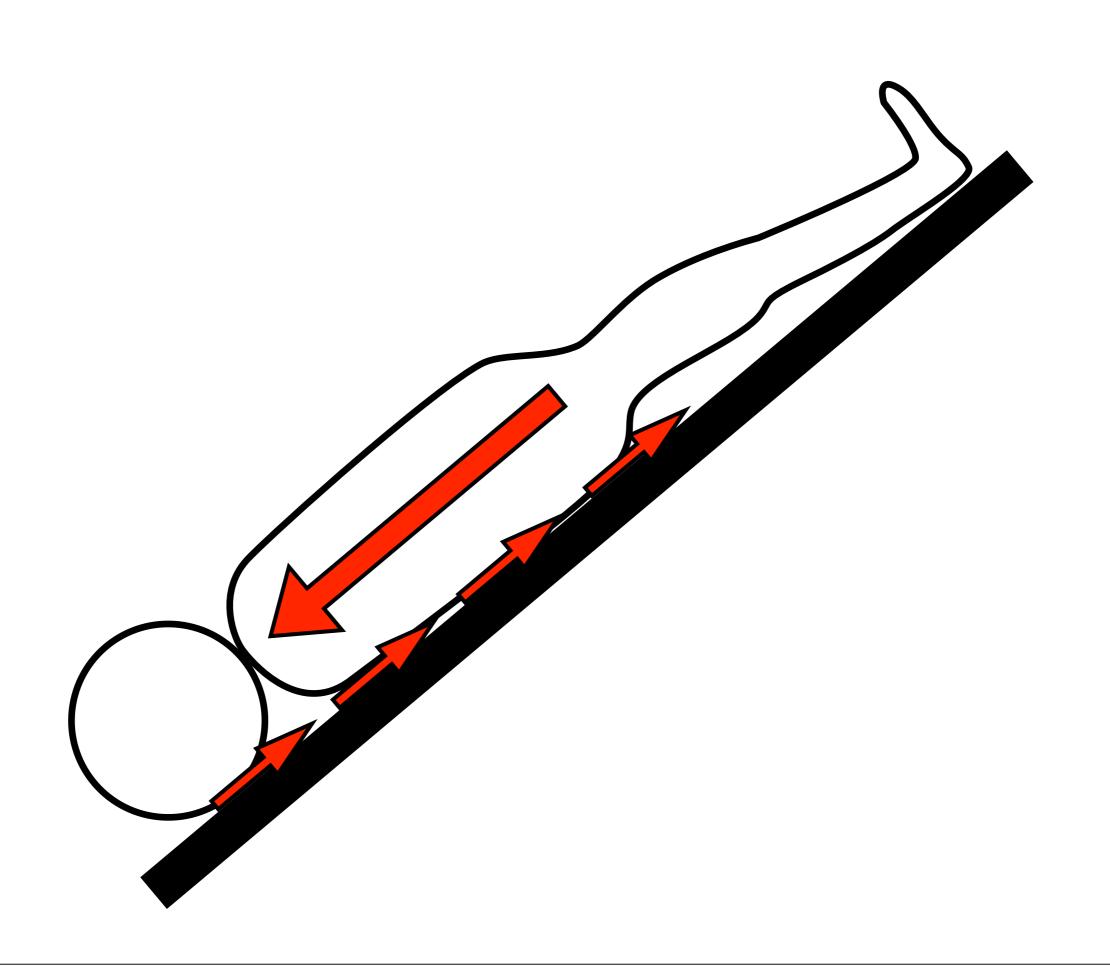


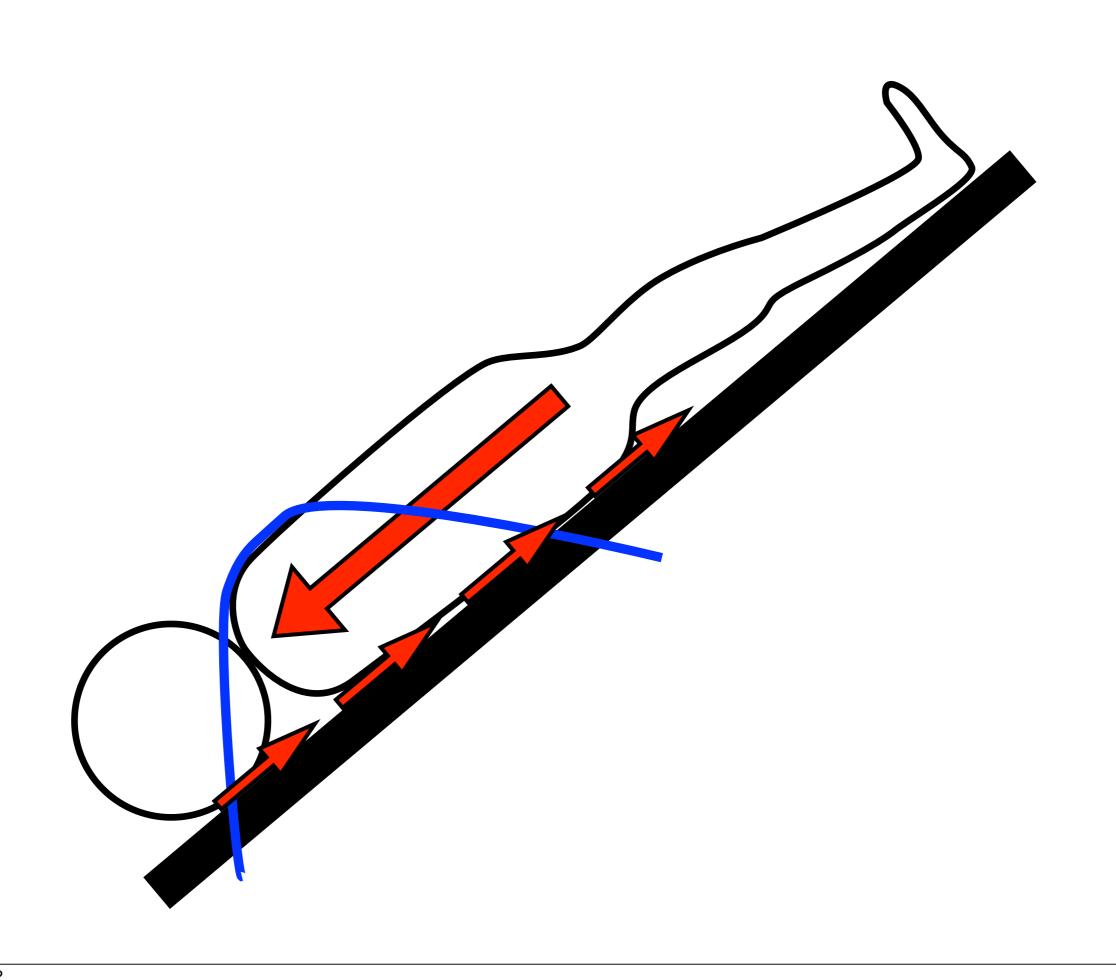


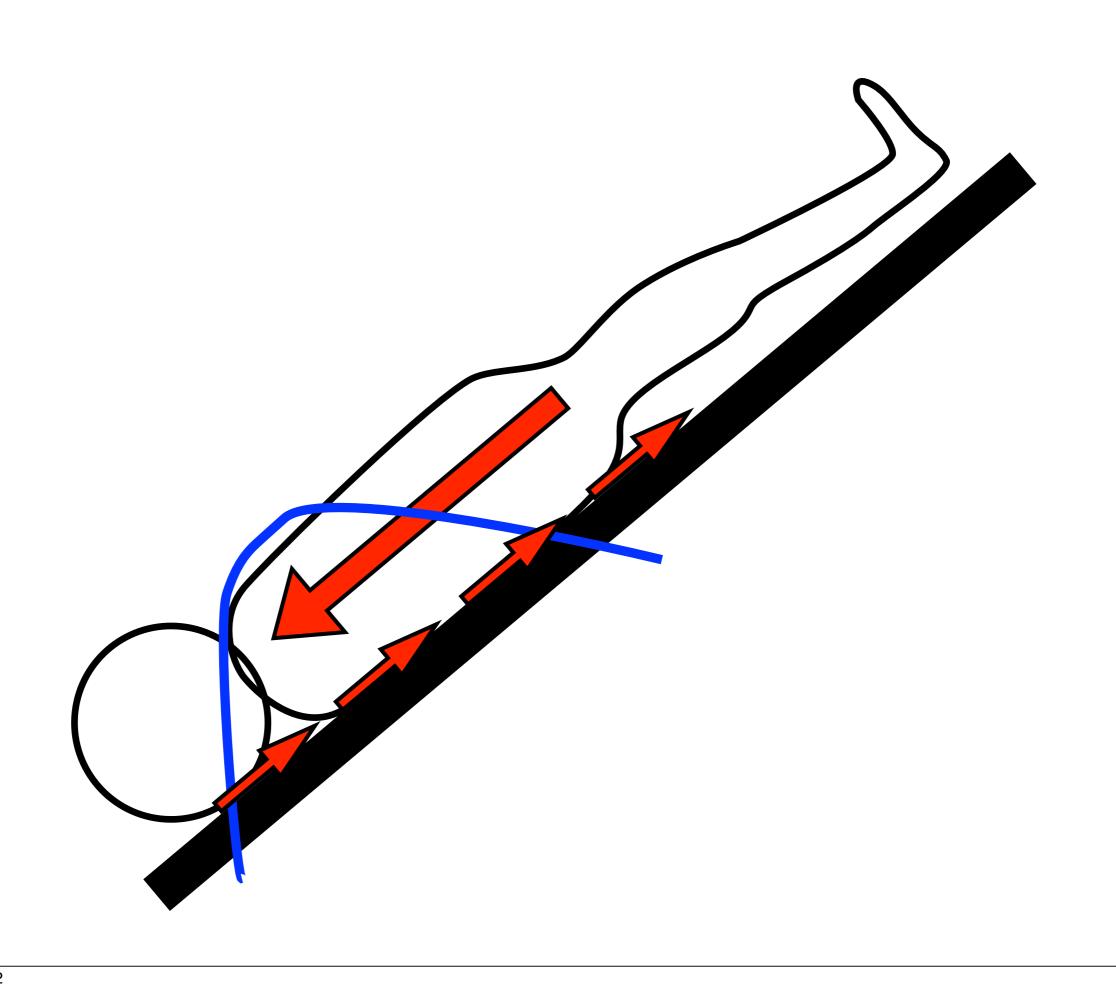


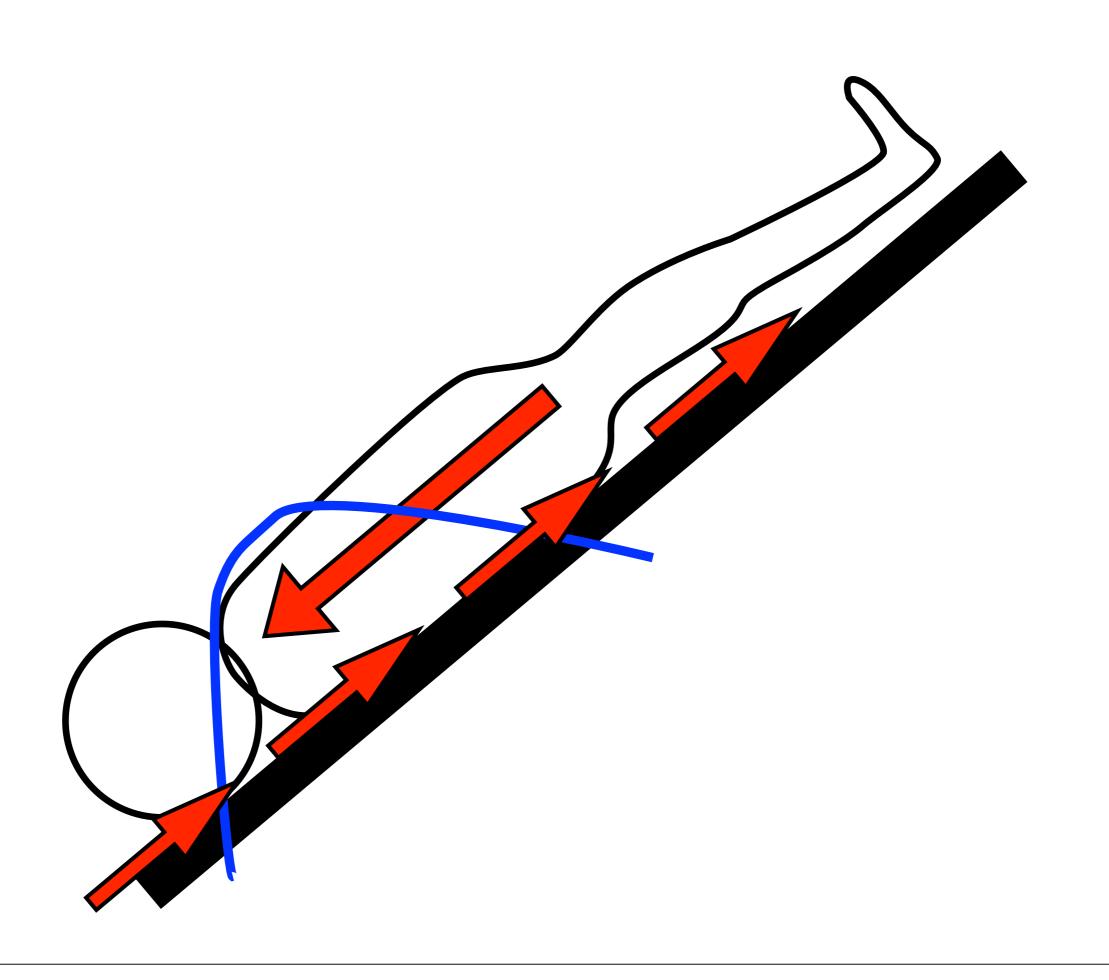


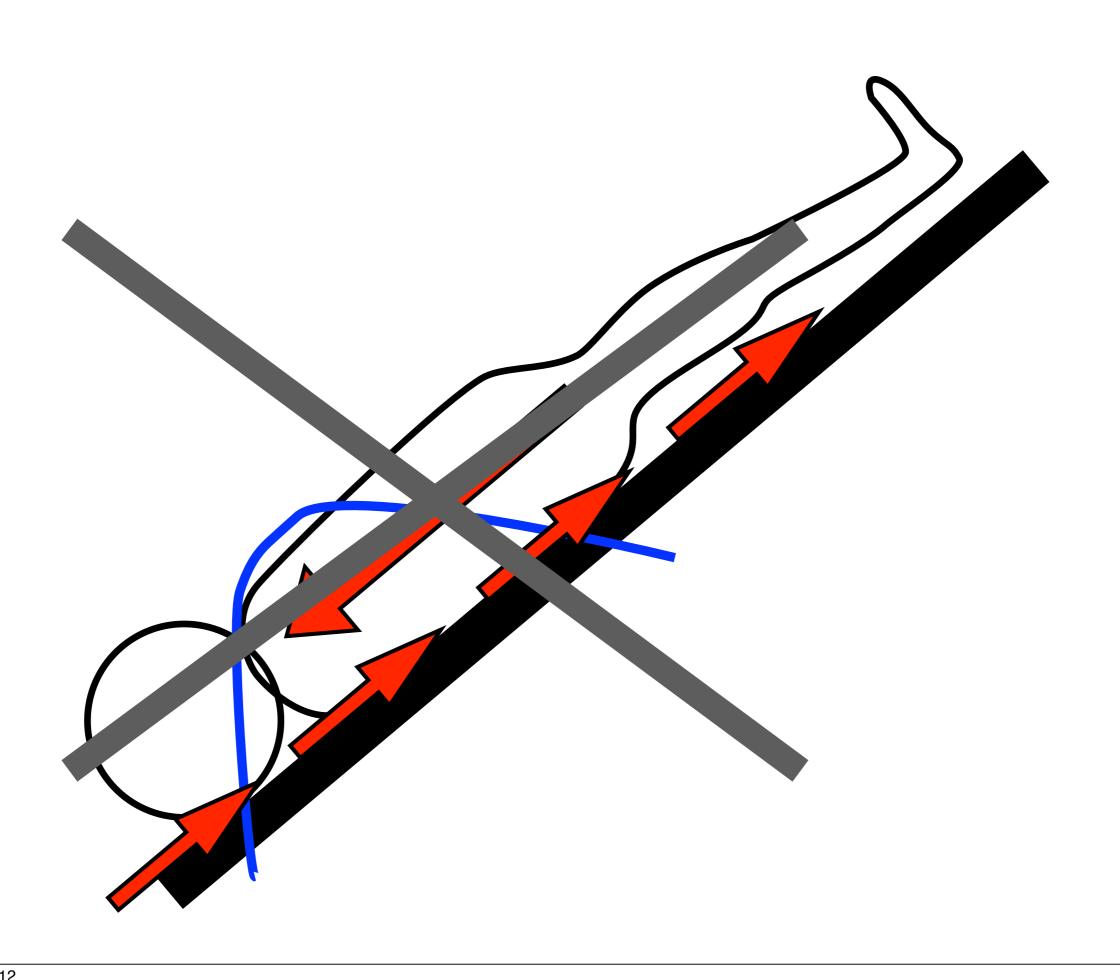


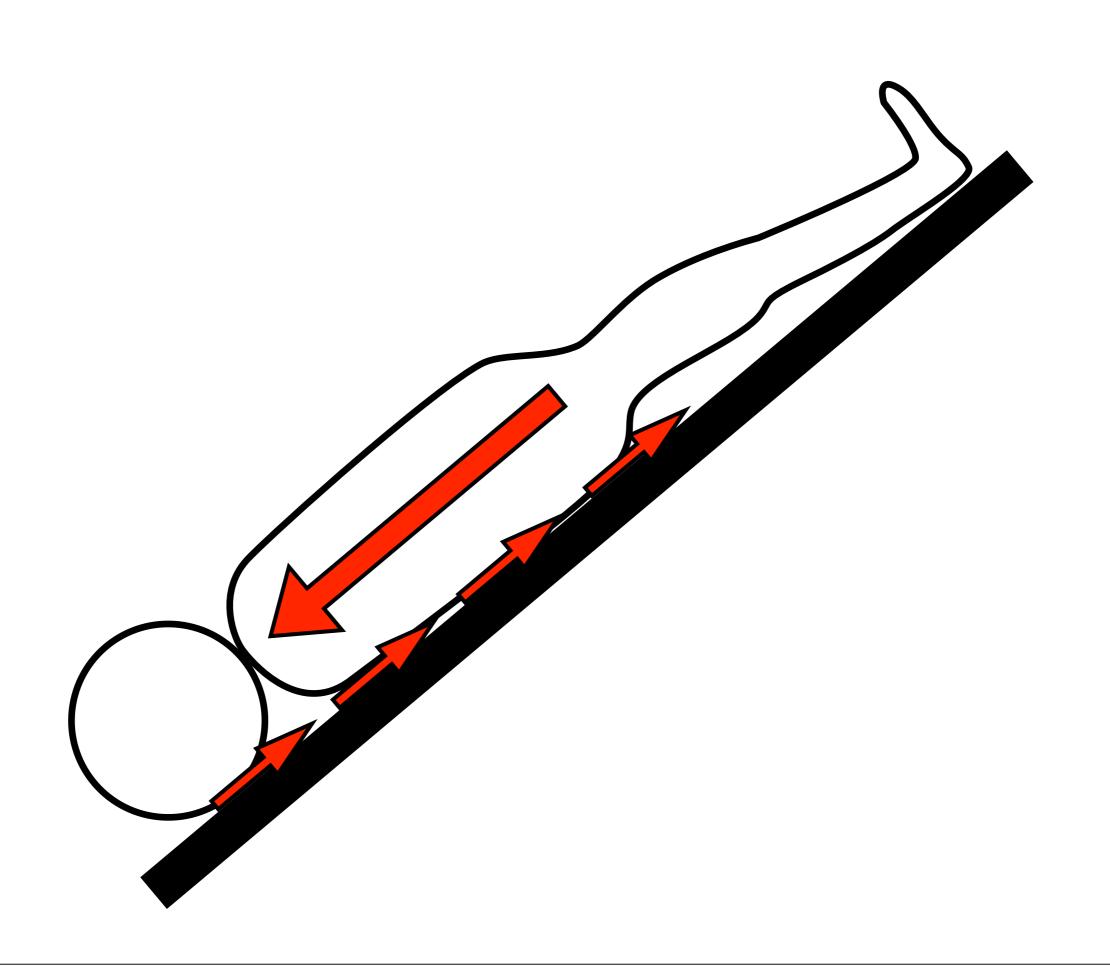


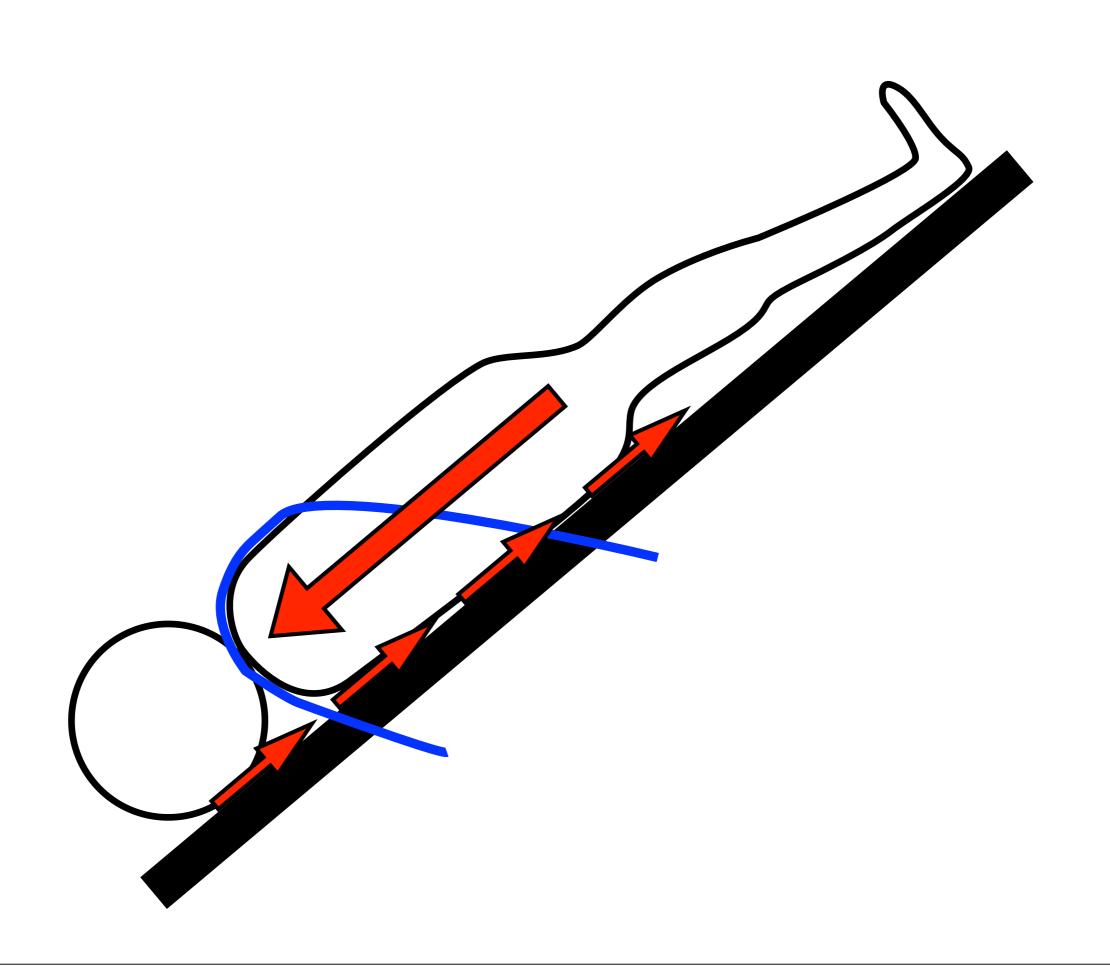


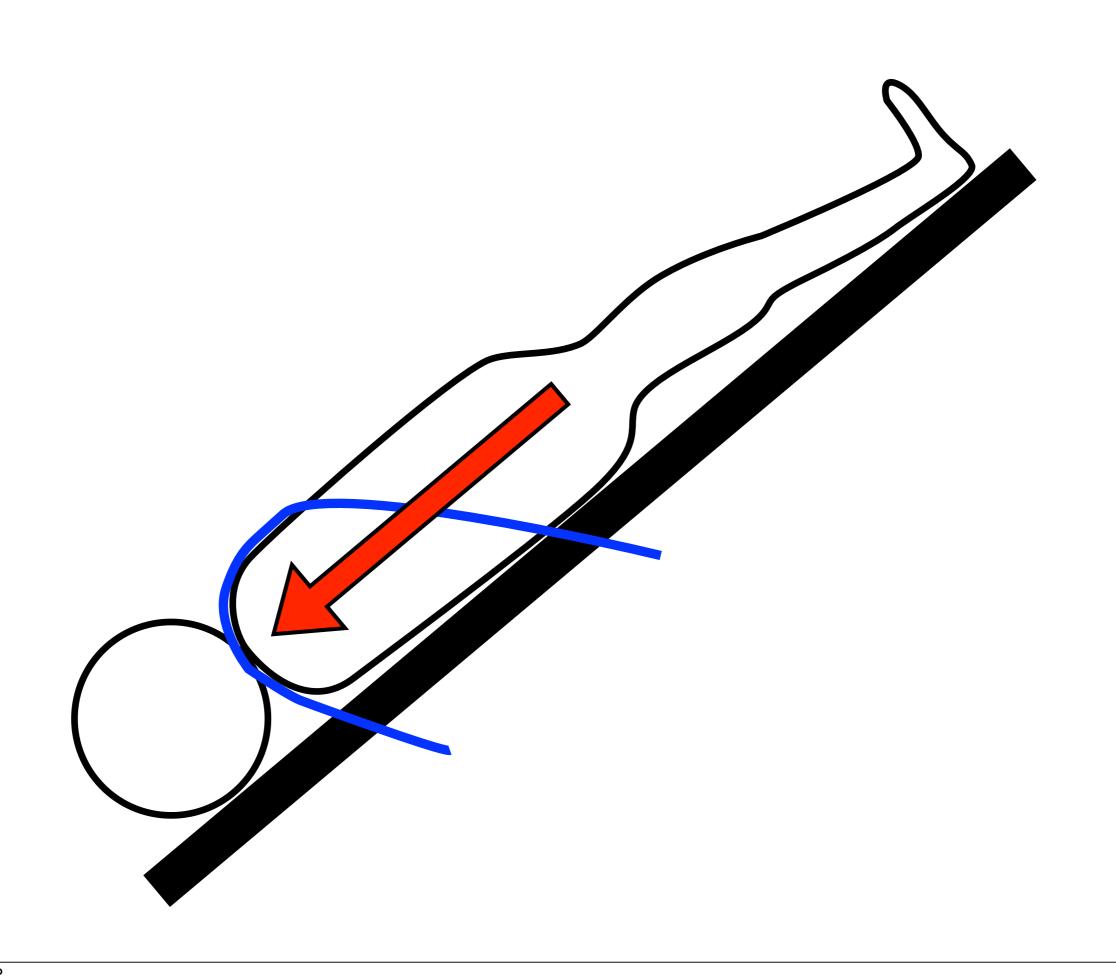


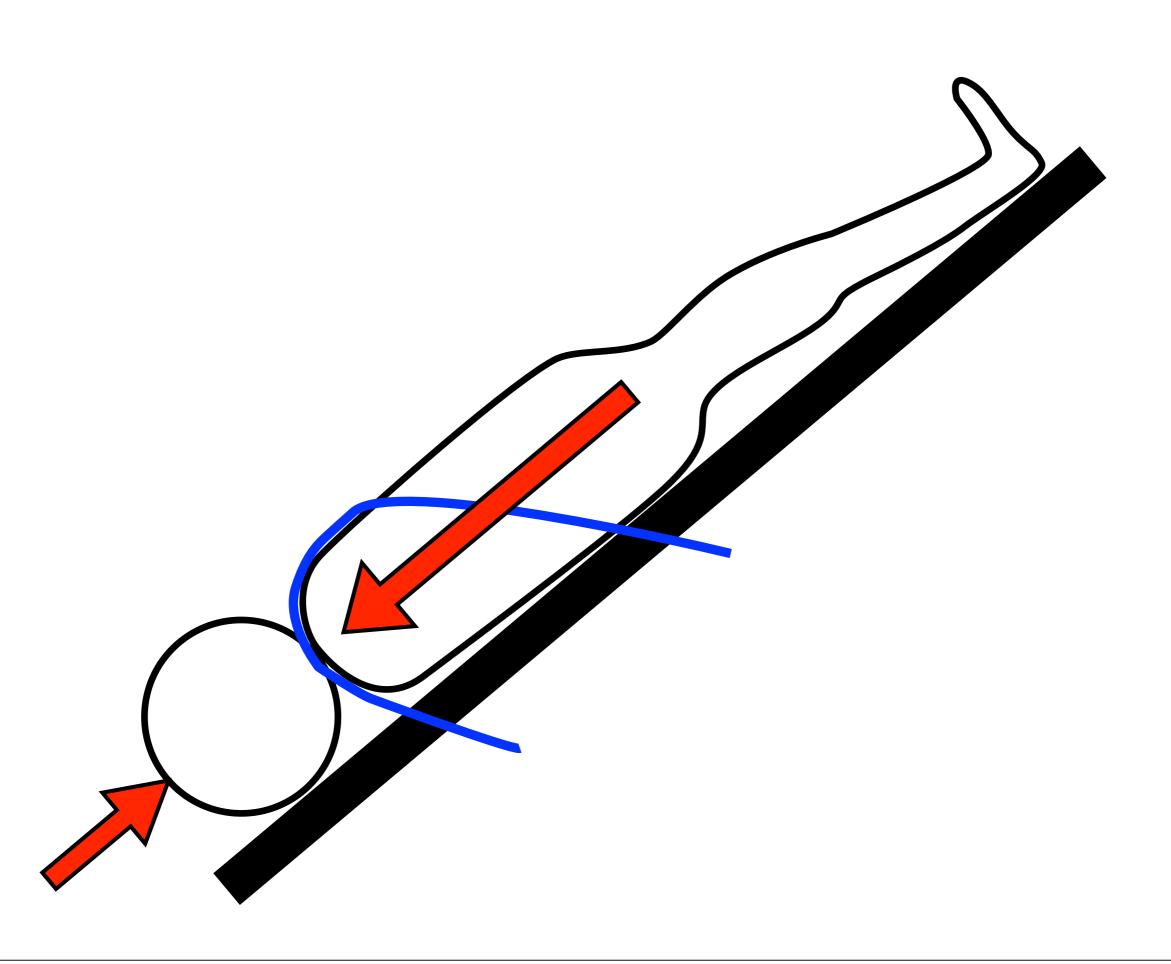


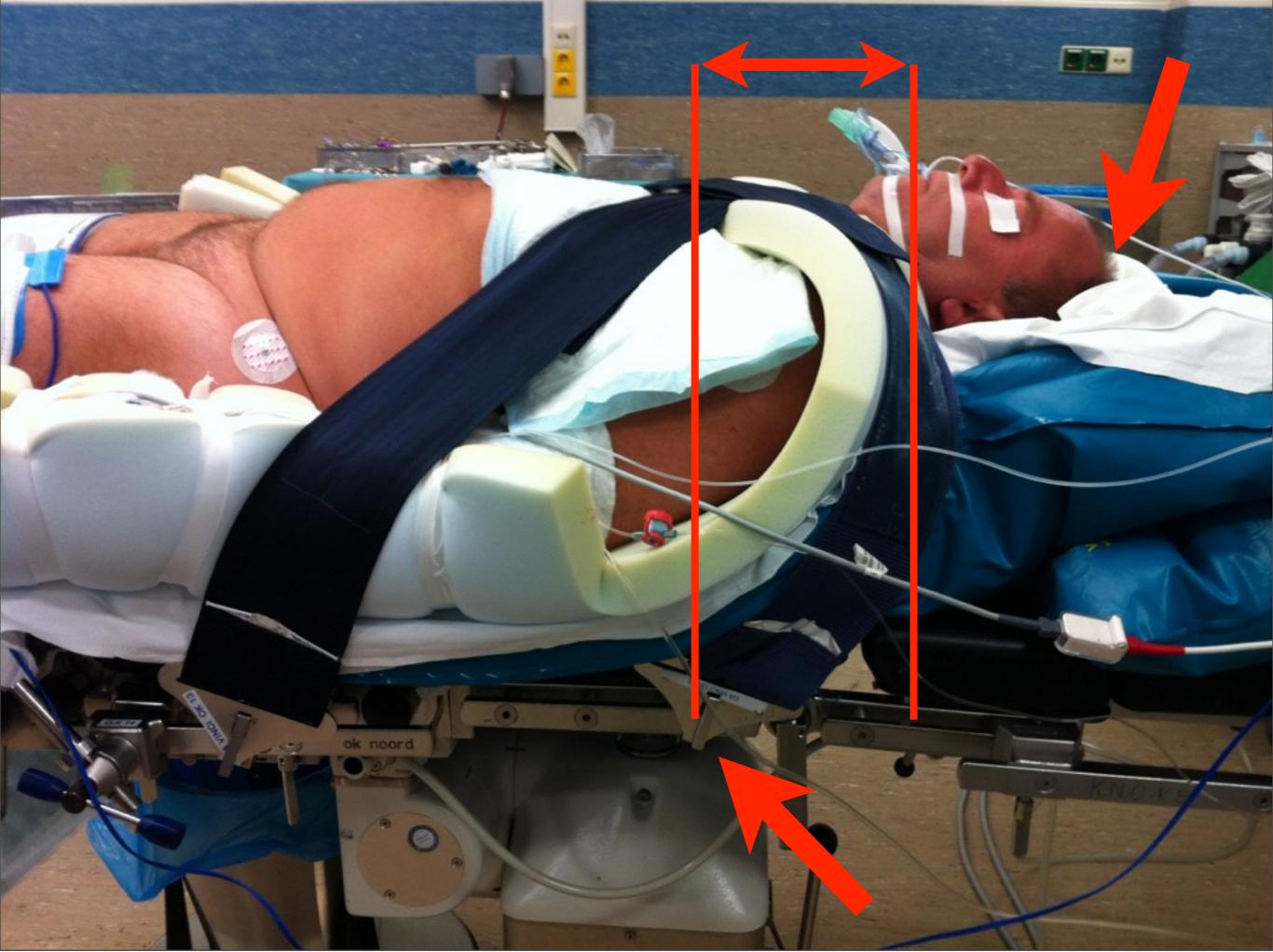










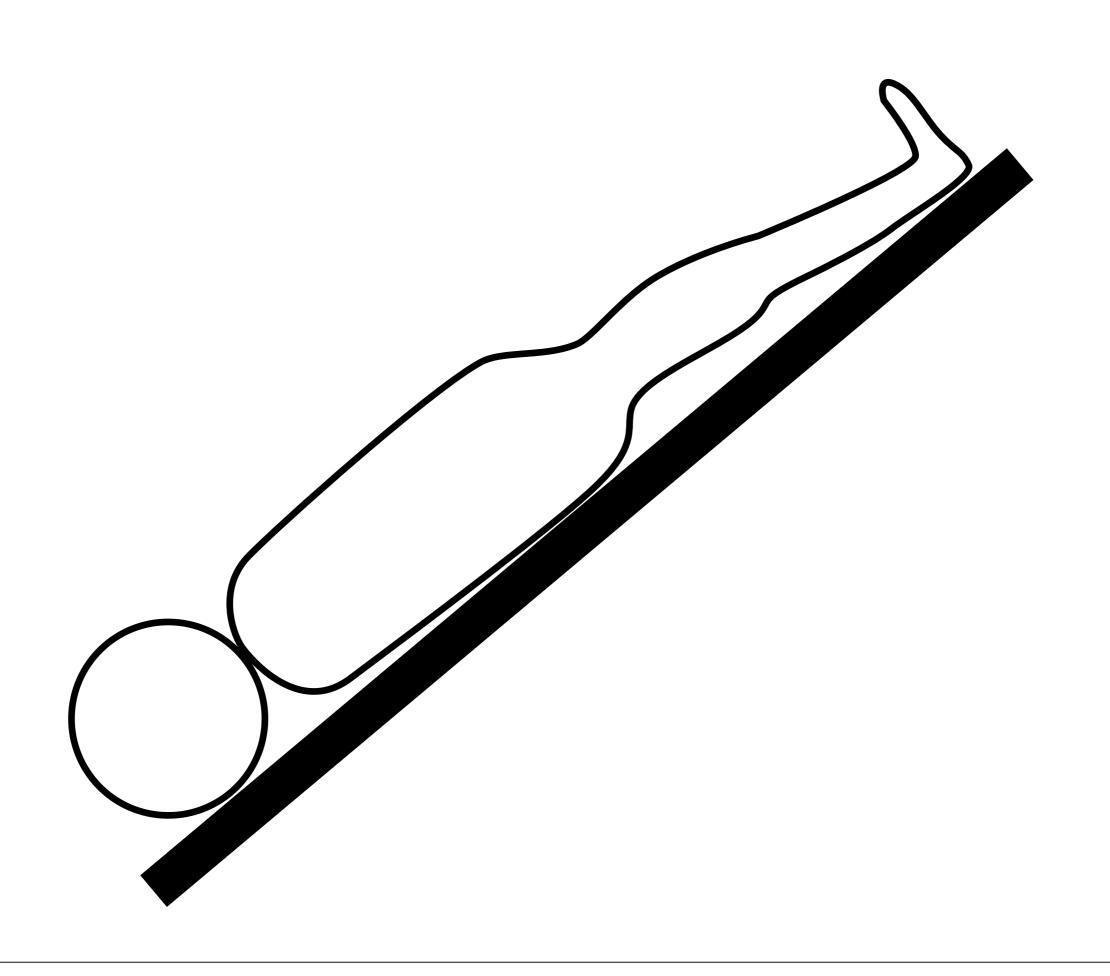


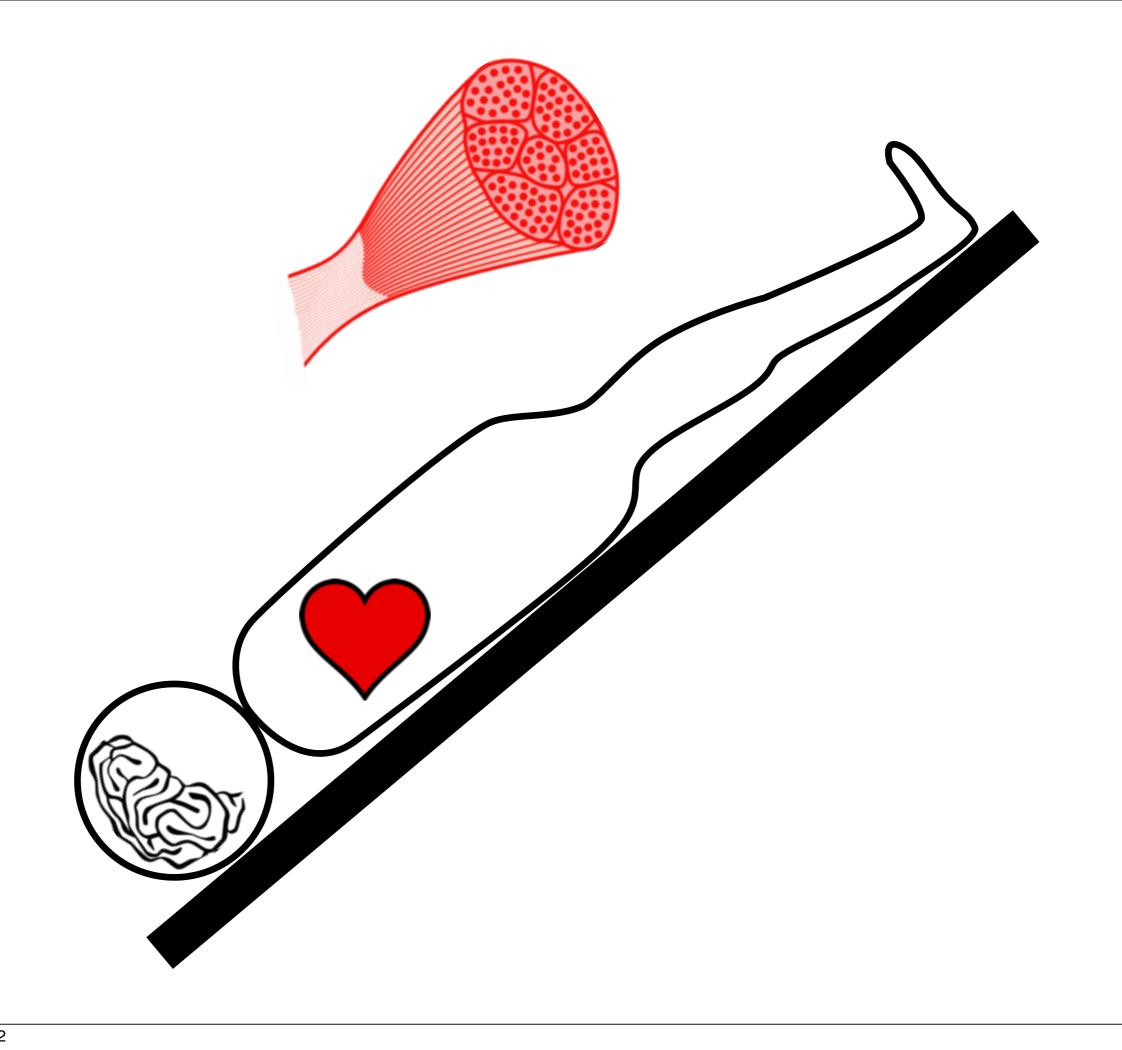
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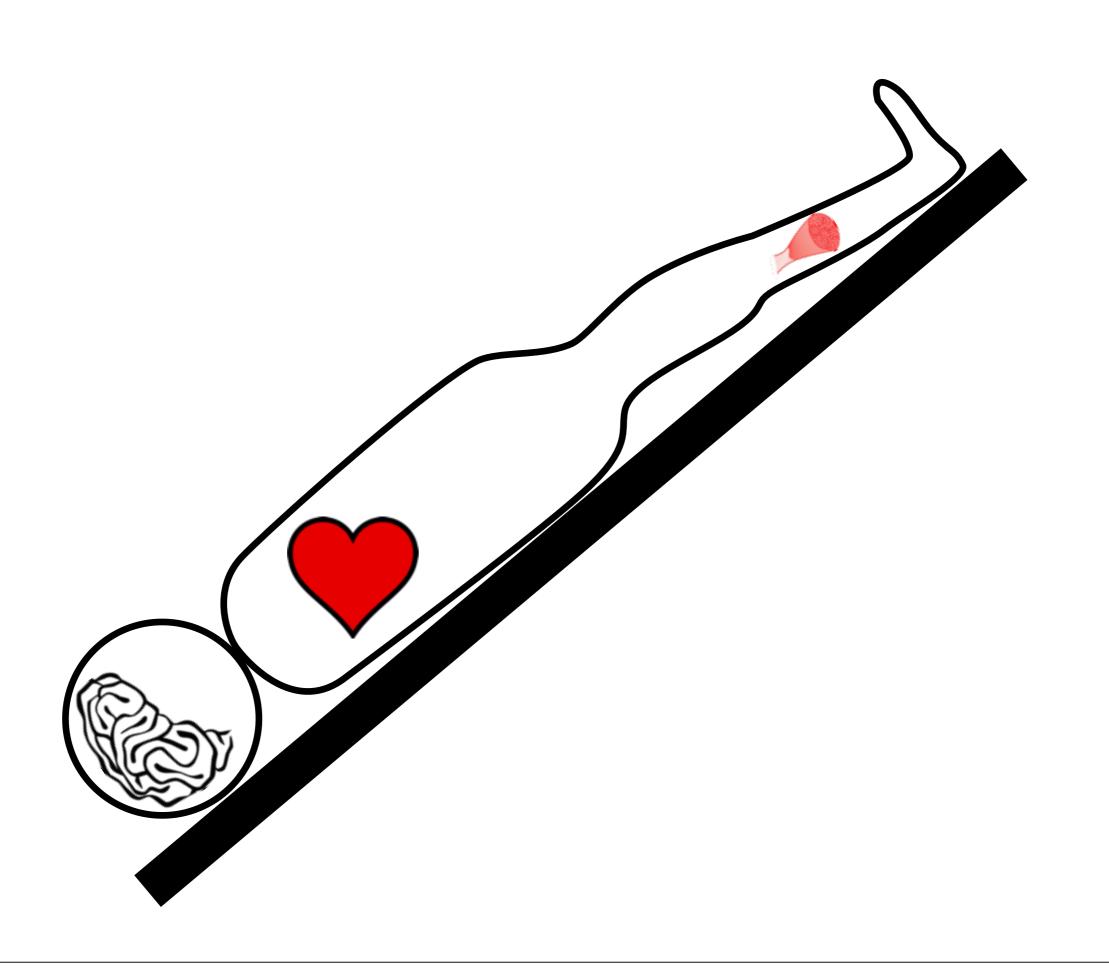


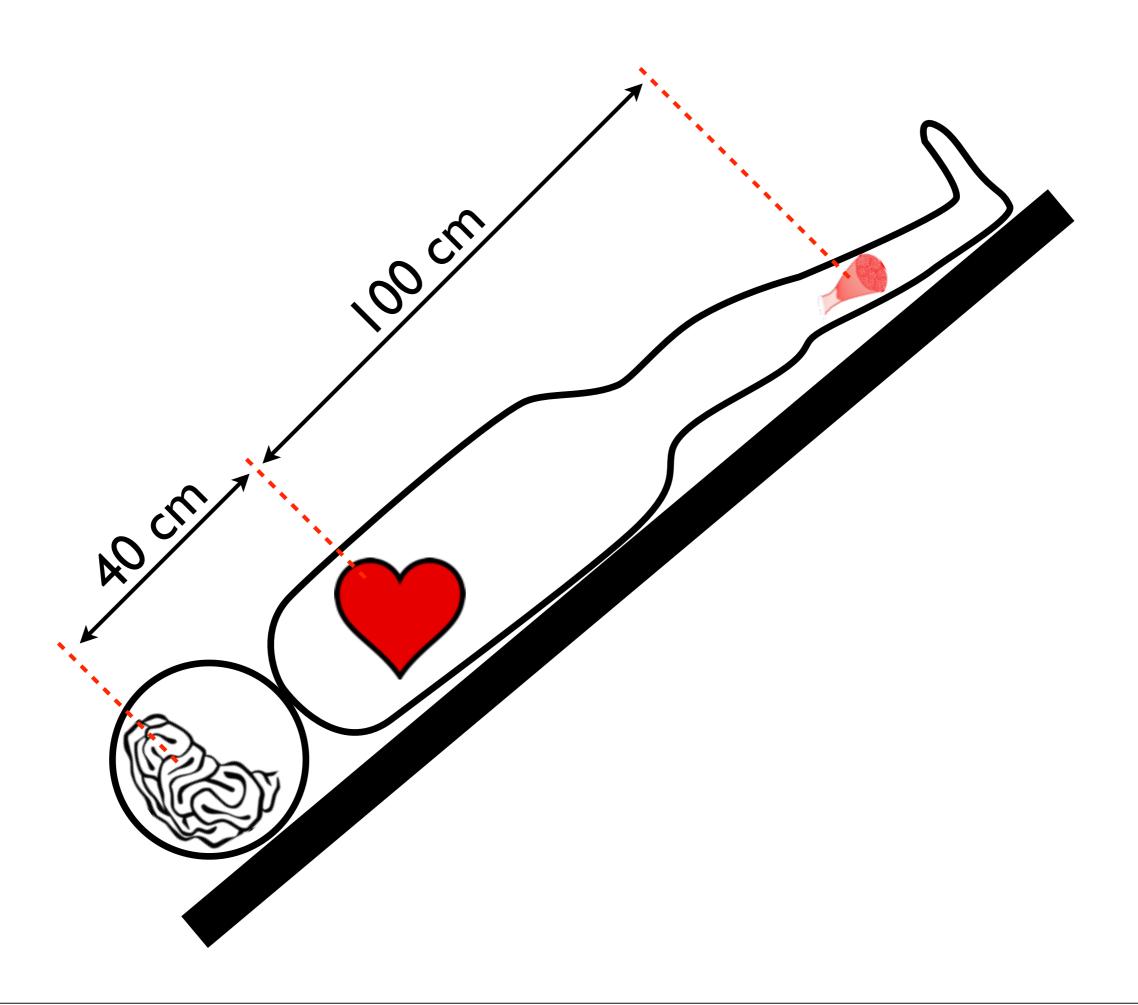
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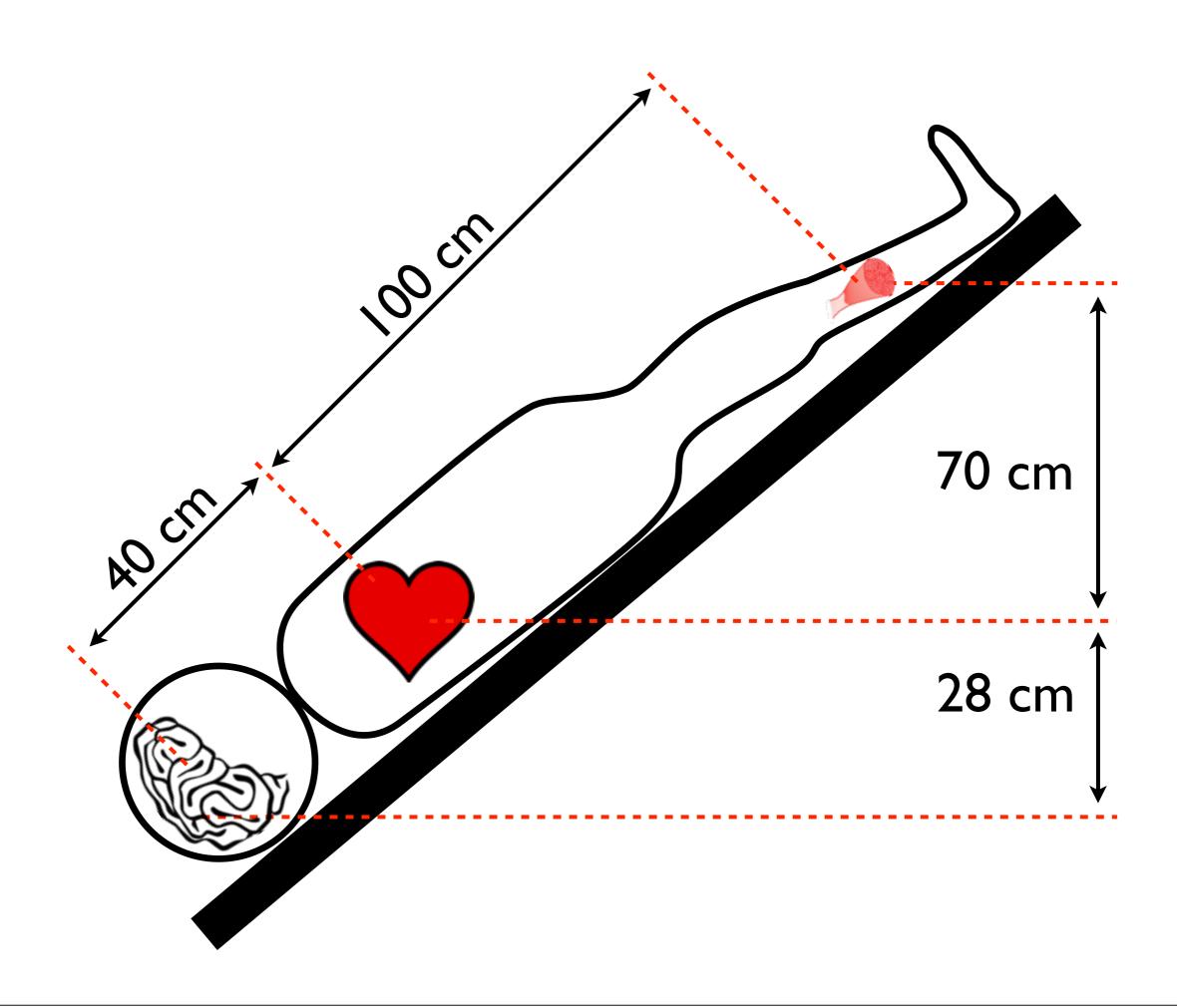


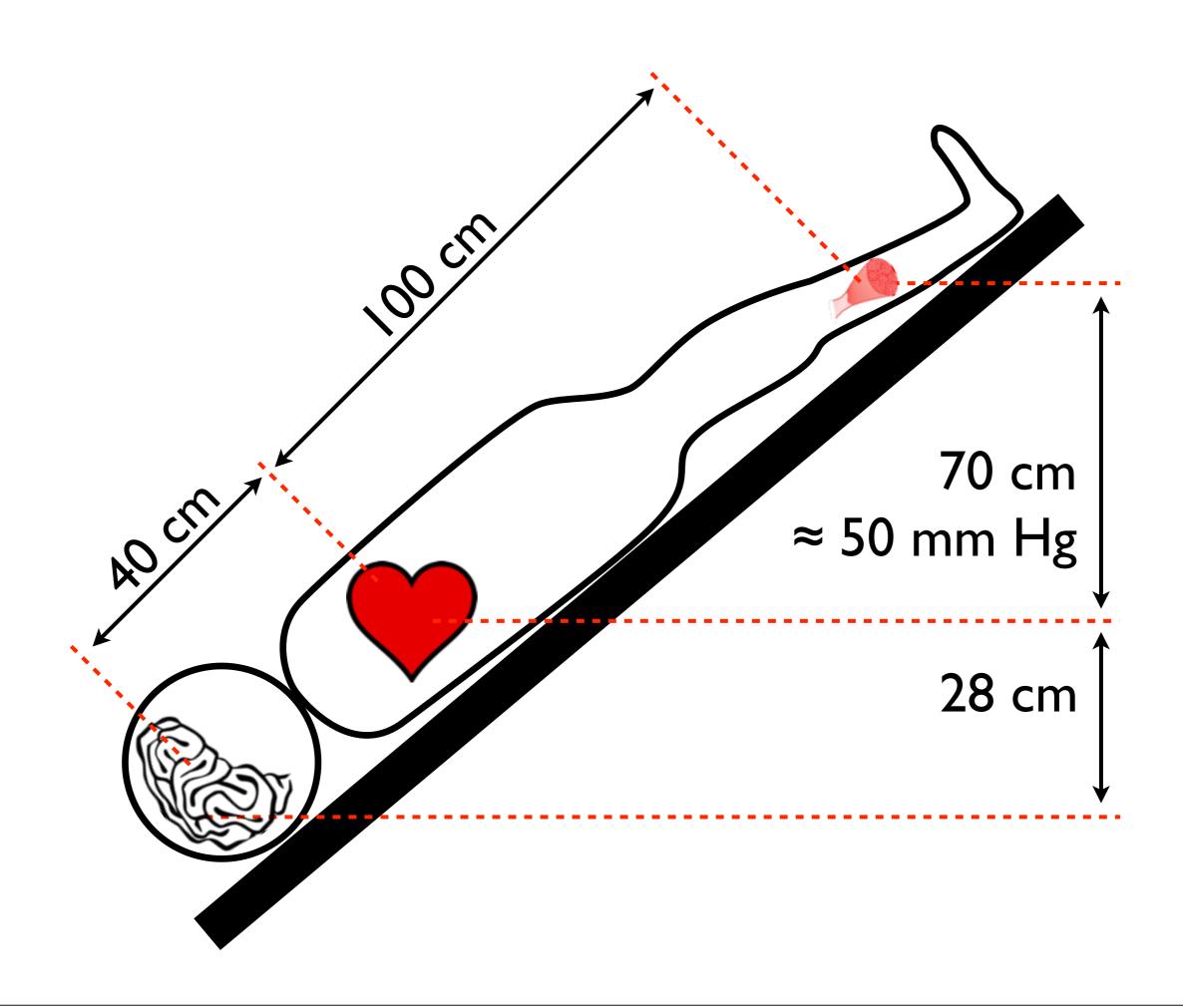






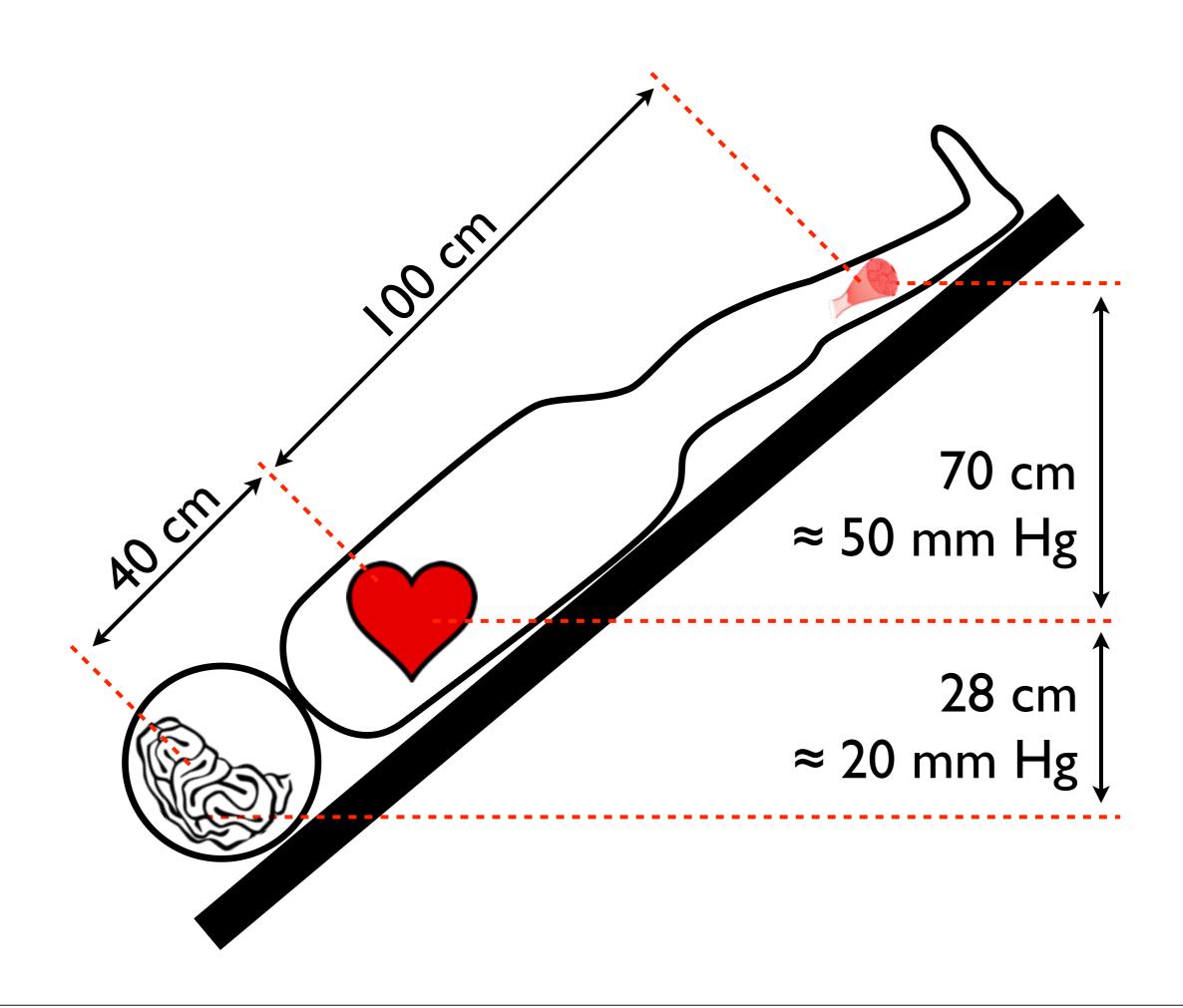


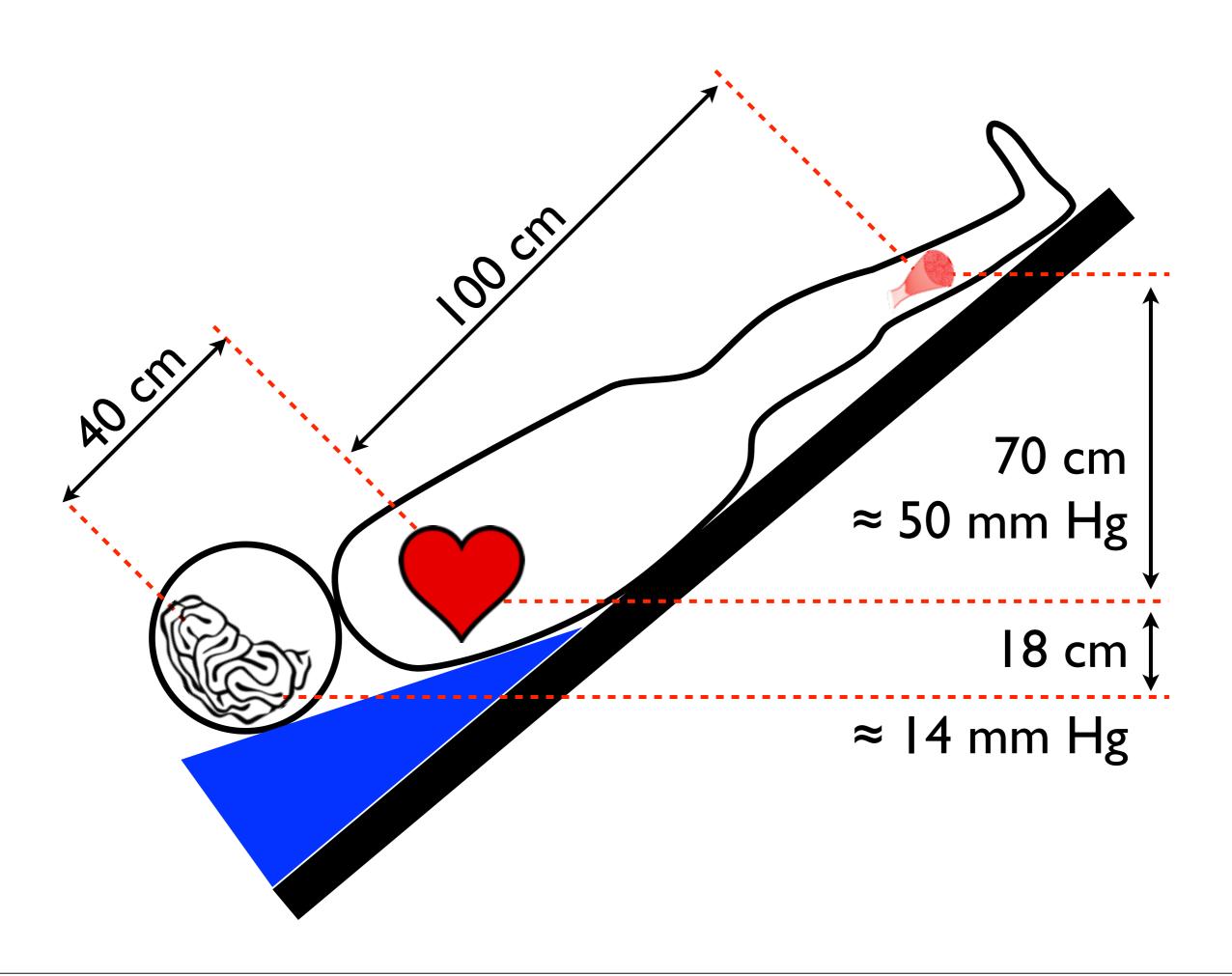






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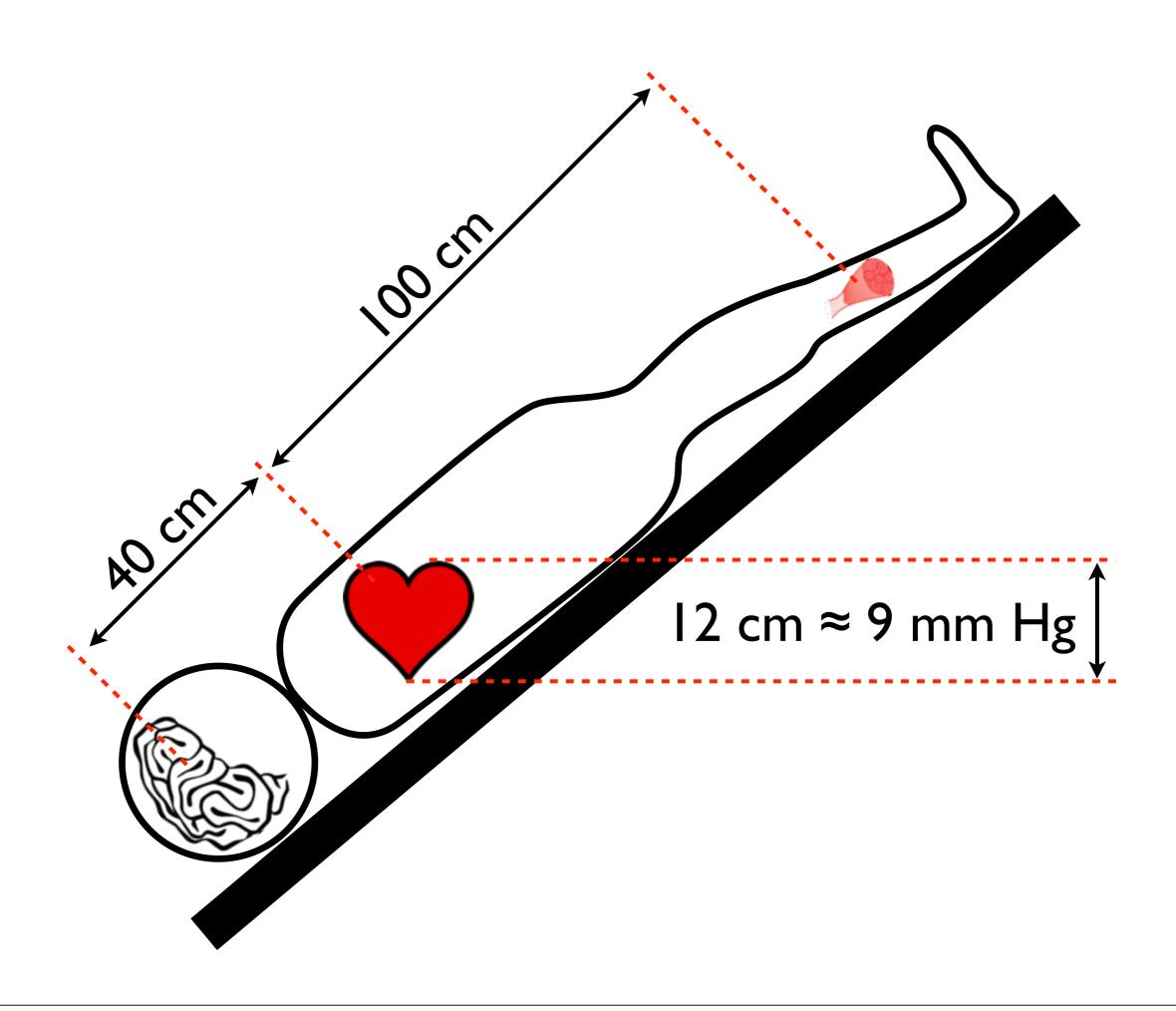


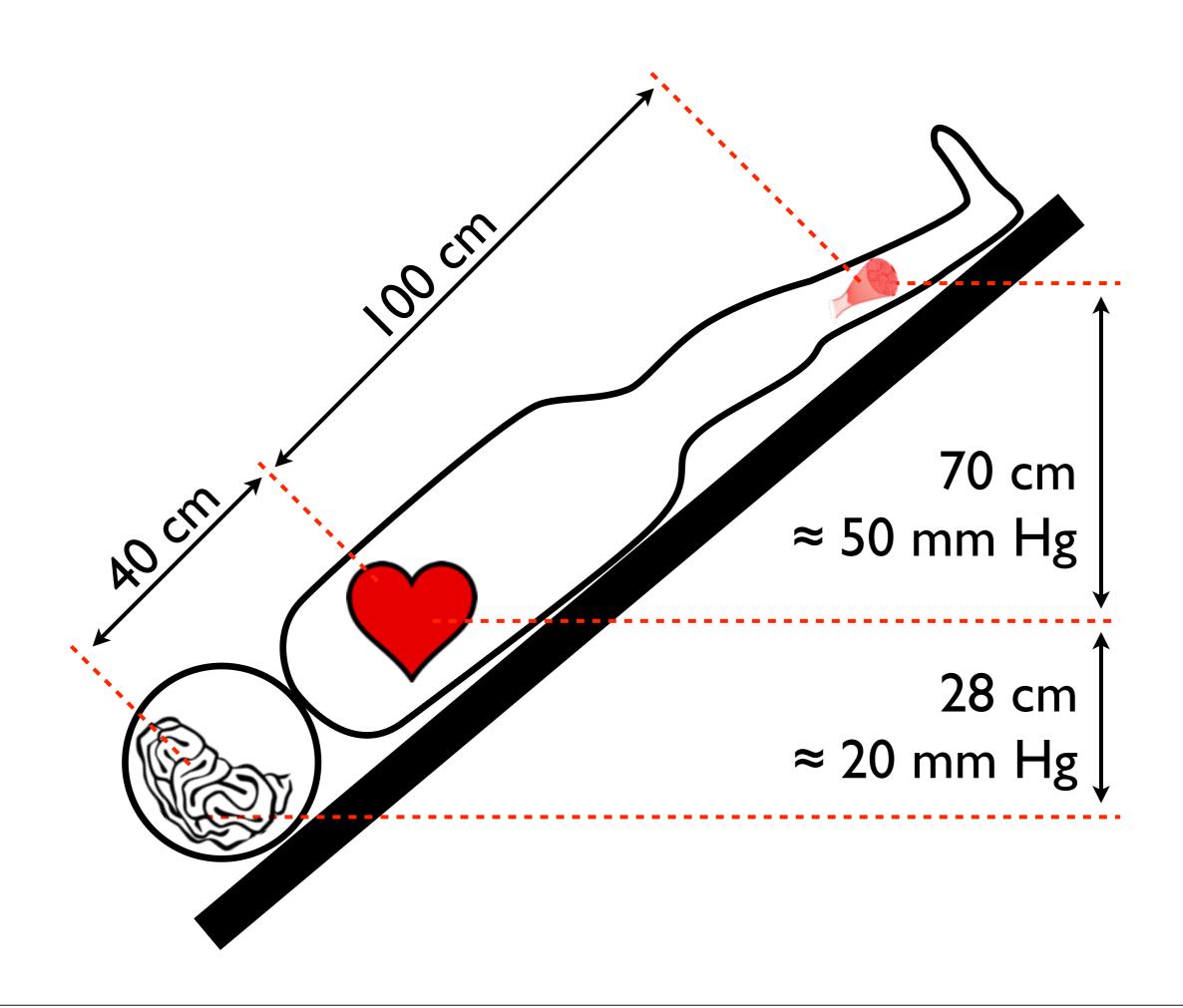






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Cerebral Venous Pressure...

...is at least 30 mm Hg!







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Longer answer: Probably

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Questions ???







