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Phasic Relationships among Hemodynamic Properties of Pulsatile Flow in Microcirculations JUNG YEOP LEE, SANG JOON LEE, Dept. of Mech. Eng., POSTECH, Republic of Korea, BIOFLUID AND BIOMIMIC RE-SEARCH CENTER TEAM — Pulsatile blood flows in *omphalo-mesenteric* arteries of HH-stage 18 chicken embryos are measured using a time-resolved particle image velocimetry (PIV) technique to obtain hemodynamic information in microcirculations and compare hemodynamic properties of pulsatile blood flows. Due to the intrinsic features of pulsatile flow and complicated vessel network of microcirculation, an out-of-phase motion of blood occurs in nearby vessel segments of bifurcations. This is mainly attributed to the morphological characteristics and peripheral resistance of vasculature. The out-of-phase motion is quantitatively identified using the one-dimensional temporal cross-correlation function. This cross-correlation function is extended to establish the phasic relationships among hemodynamic properties such as velocity, shear rate, and acceleration. Velocity and shear rate are almost in phase, as predicted theoretically. On the other hand, velocity (or shear rate) shows an almost 180° out-of-phase against acceleration, which is quite larger than the theoretically predicted value.

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