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# **Visceral and somatic hypersensitivity, autonomic cardiovascular dysfunction and low-grade inflammation in a subset of irritable bowel syndrome patients**

**Key words:**

**Irritable bowel syndrome (IBS)**

**Visceral hypersensitivity**

**Somatic hypersensitivity**

**Autonomic cardiovascular dysfunction**

**Low-grade inflammation**



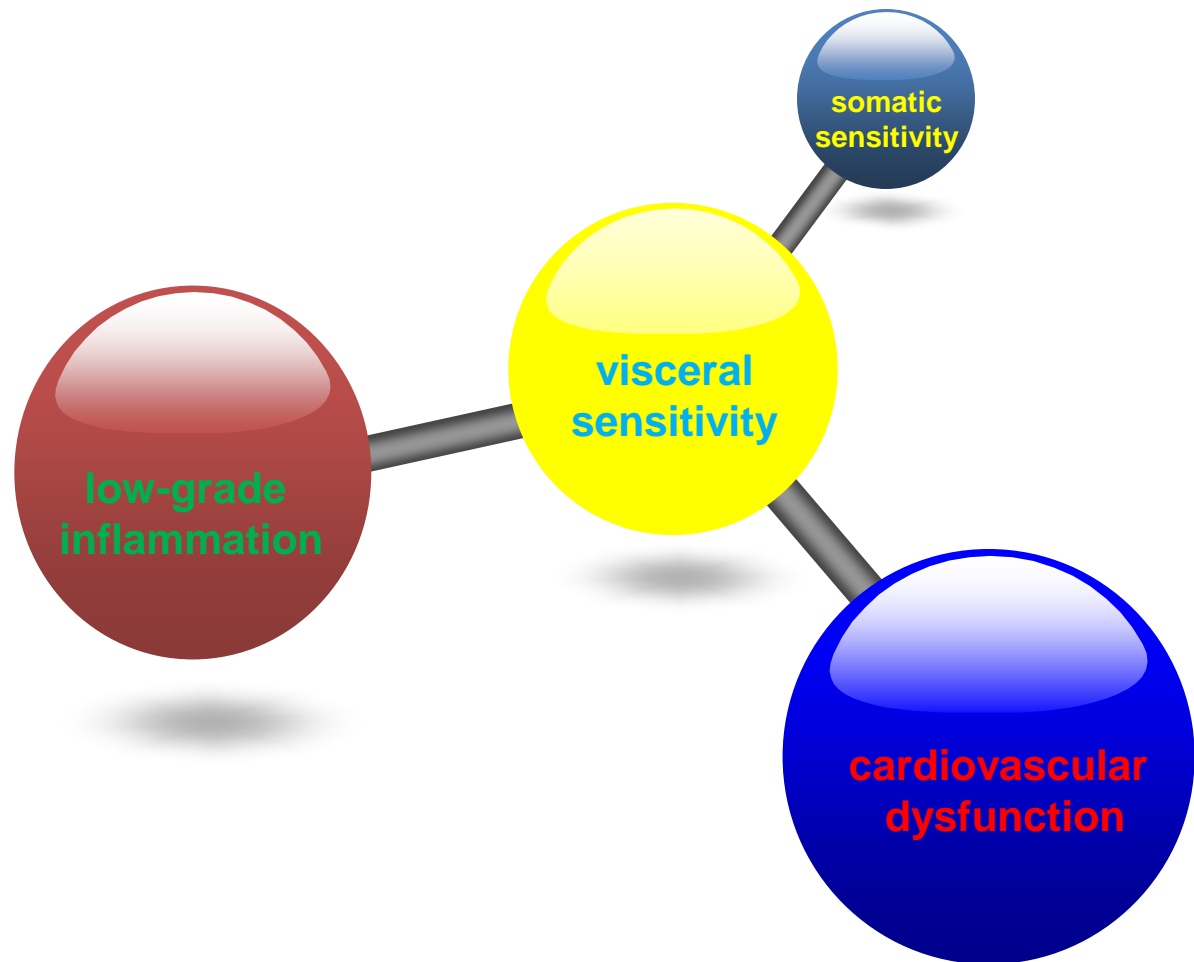
# INTRODUCTION

**Irritable bowel syndrome (IBS) is one of the most common functional bowel disorders**

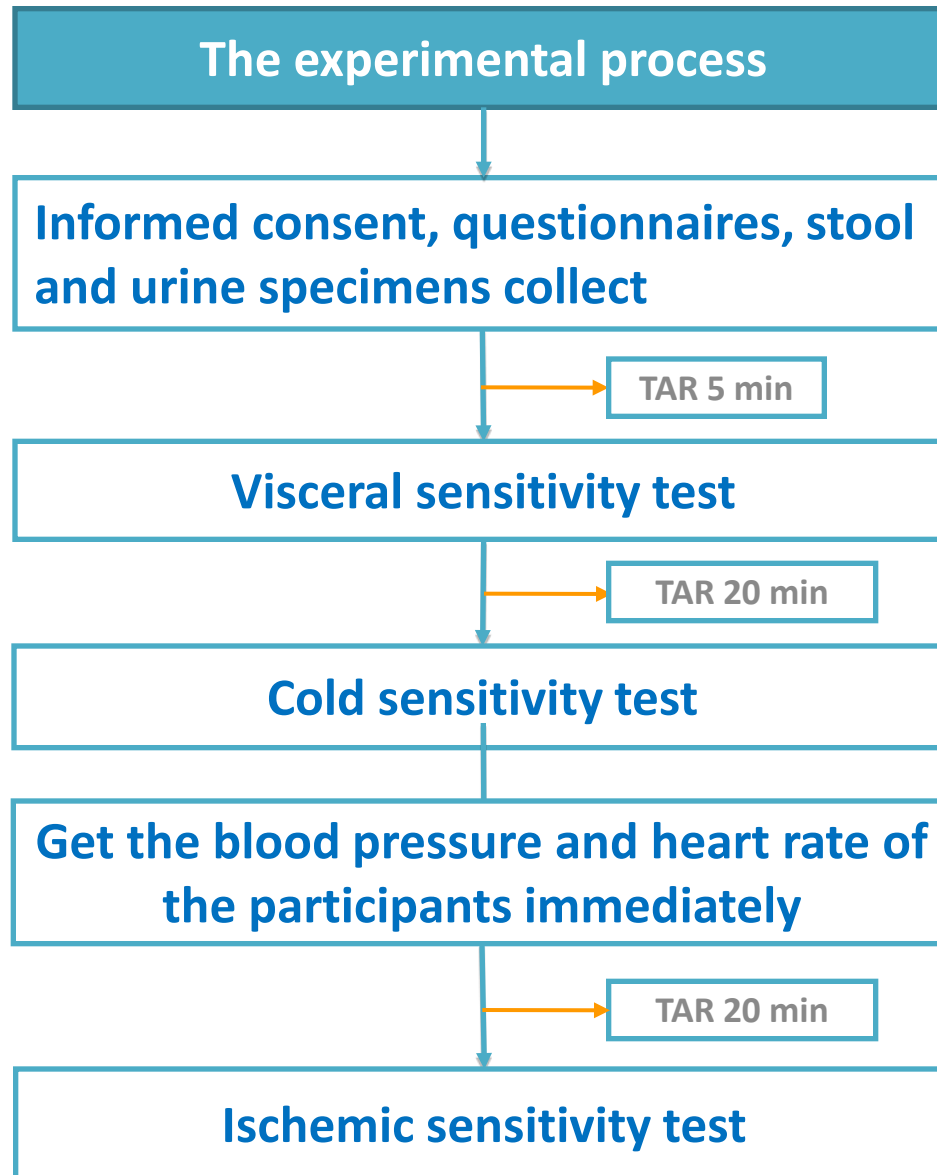
**In recent years, the morbidity in Asian countries has been rising year by year, and has now nearly reached that of Western countries**

# AIMS

Evaluate whether visceral and somatic hypersensitivity, autonomic cardiovascular dysfunction and low-grade inflammation of the gut wall are associated with diarrhea-predominant IBS (D-IBS)



# METHOD



TAR means take a rest



# ***INNOVATION POINTS AND CONCLUSION***

1

Using the ascending method of limits (AML) protocol we demonstrated D-IBS patients had significantly lower sensory thresholds

2

Using diverse methods, especially the ischemic sensitivity test, we confirmed that D-IBS patients have somatic hypersensitivity

3

D-IBS patients had autonomic cardiovascular dysfunction

4

Significant correlations between visceral and somatic hypersensitivity, visceral hypersensitivity and autonomic cardiovascular dysfunction, and somatic hypersensitivity and autonomic cardiovascular dysfunction were found, which may provide valuable suggestions for the treatment of D-IBS