



Supplementary Information for

Title: Retinal Capillary Oximetry with Visible Light Optical Coherence Tomography

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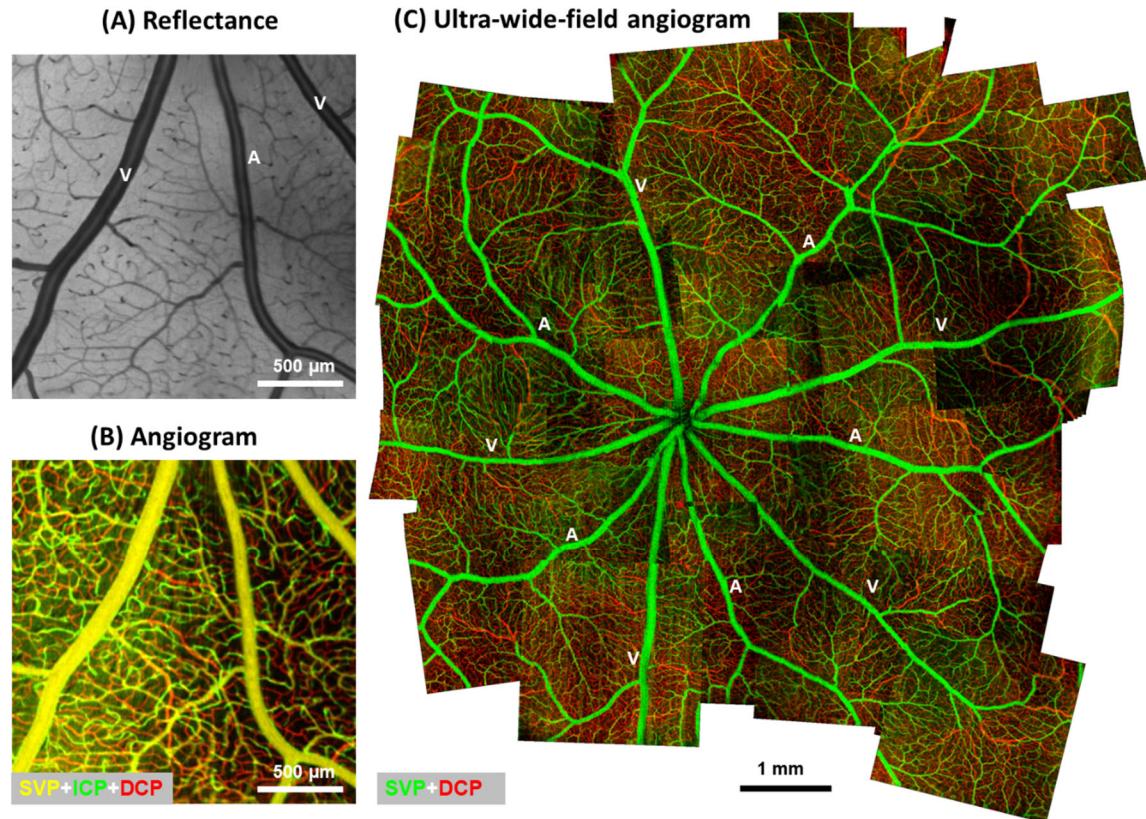


Figure S1: (A) An *en face* reflectance image showing inter-plexus capillaries appearing as dark spots. A: artery. V: vein. (B) Overlaid *en face* angiograms of the three vascular/capillary plexuses demonstrate the detailed retinal circulatory organization. SVP: superficial vascular plexus. ICP: intermediate capillary plexus. DCP: deep capillary plexus. (C) Ultra-wide-field angiogram stitched from multiple scans with smaller field of view.

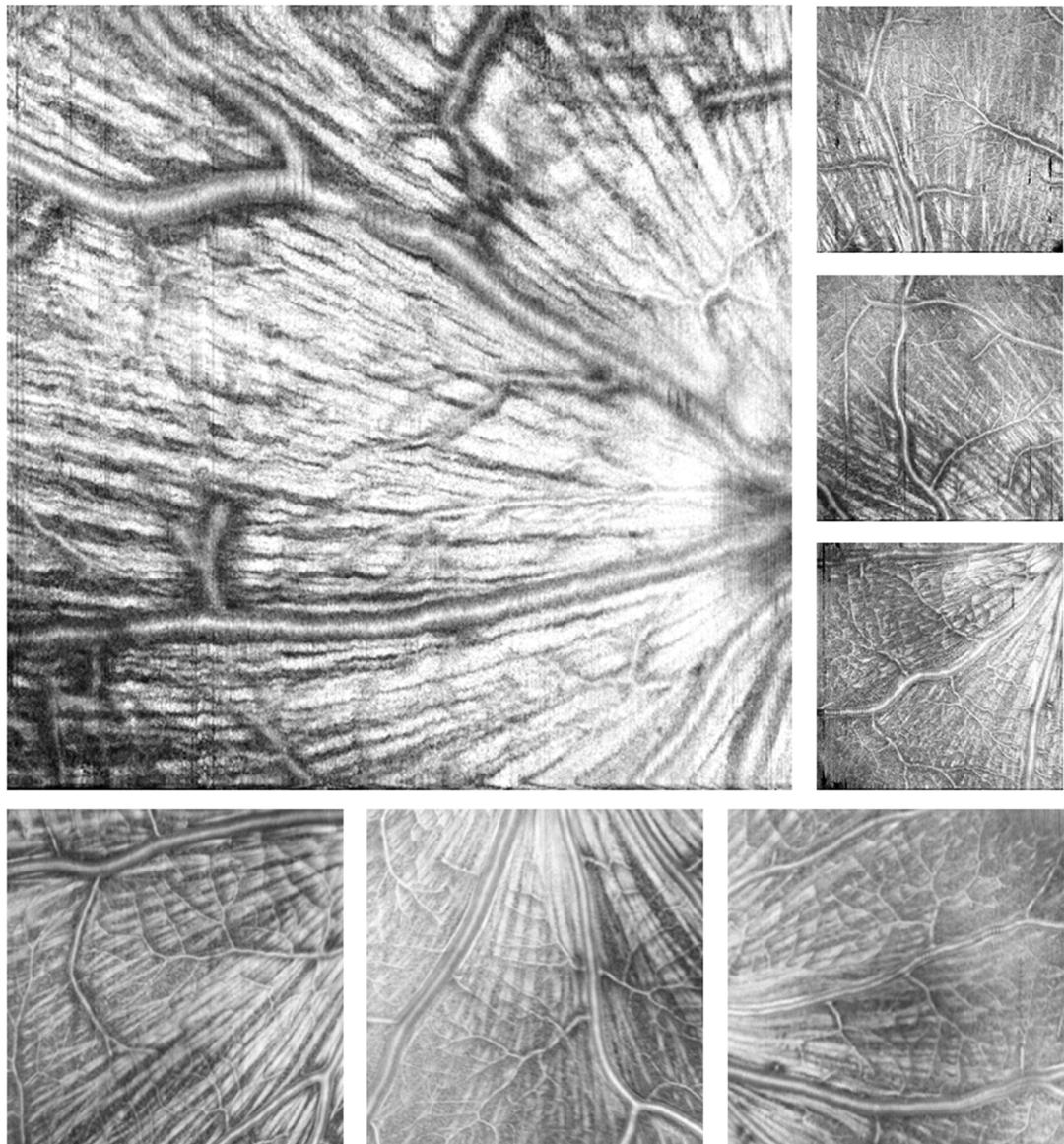


Figure S2: *En face* projections of the nerve fiber slab at various regions of different rat retinas show that the superficial vascular plexus runs anterior to the never fiber bundles.

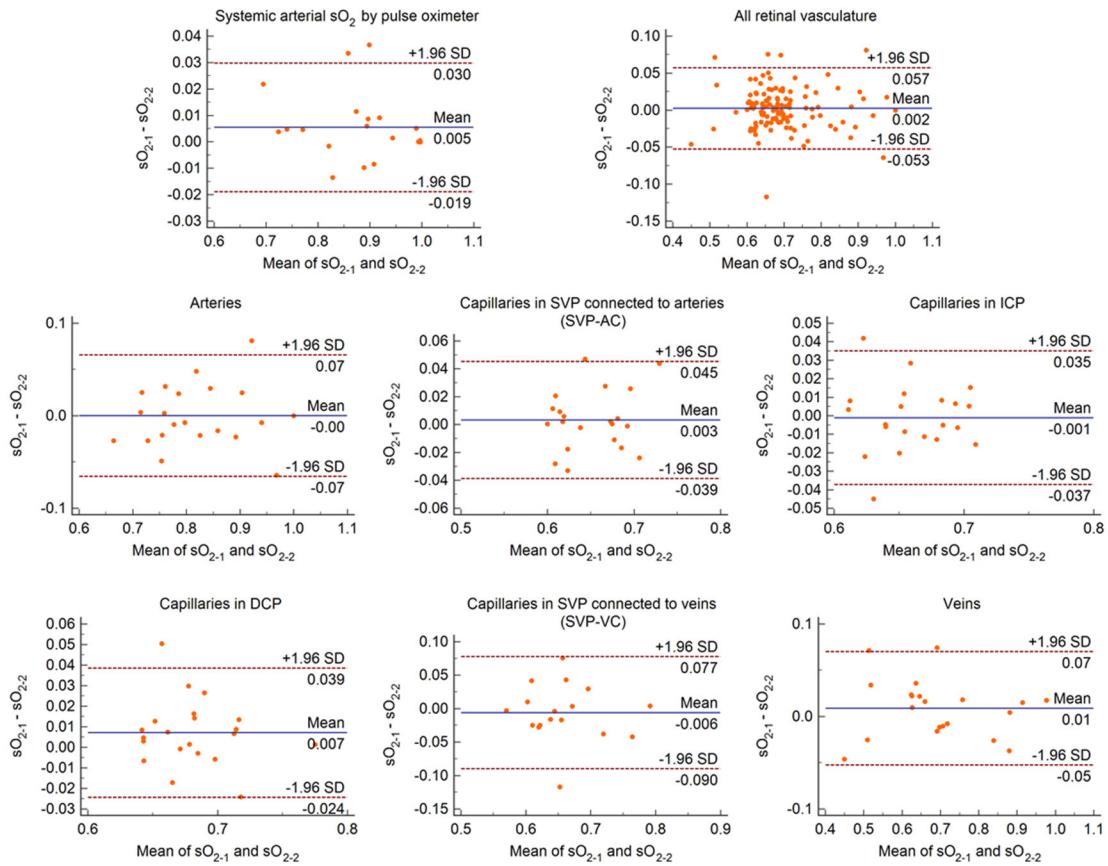


Figure S3: Bland-Altman plots showing the repeatability of systemic arterial oxygen saturation (sO_2) by pulse oximeter, and OCT oximetry-measured sO_2 for different vascular plexuses between the first session (sO_{2-1}) and the second session (sO_{2-2}).

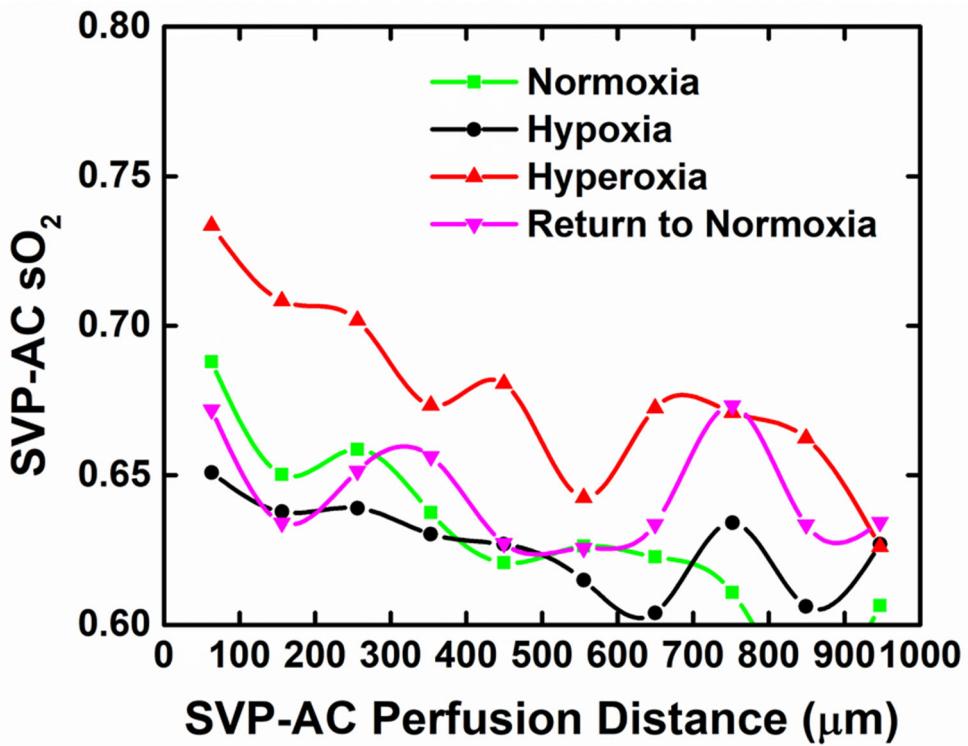


Figure S4: The sO_2 in SVP arterial capillaries (SVP-AC) decreases with increasing perfusion distance.

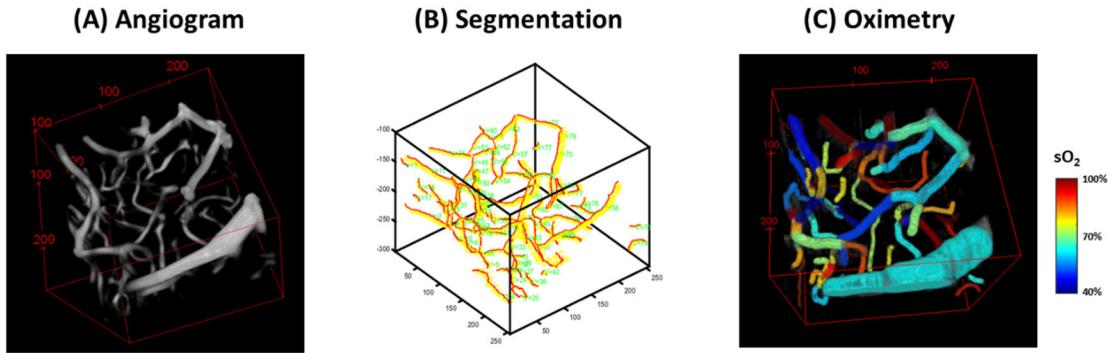


Figure S5: Capillary oximetry performed volumetrically with a 0.5×0.5-mm field of view using a similar strategy described in the text. (A) Angiogram volume scan. (B) Capillary segmentation. (C) Oxygen saturation (sO_2).

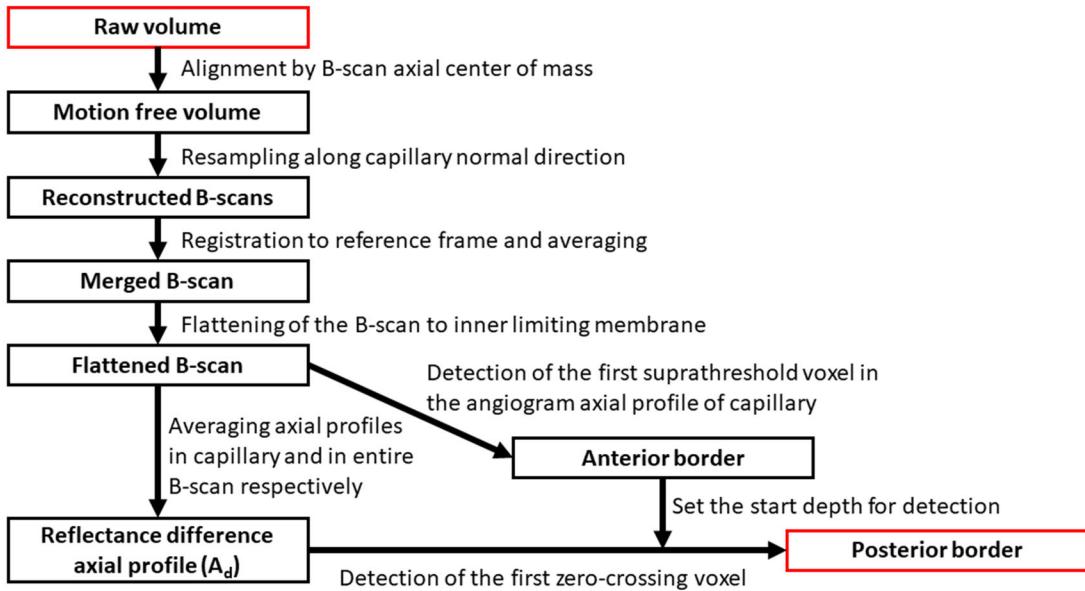


Figure S6: Schematic diagram of the posterior capillary border detection process.

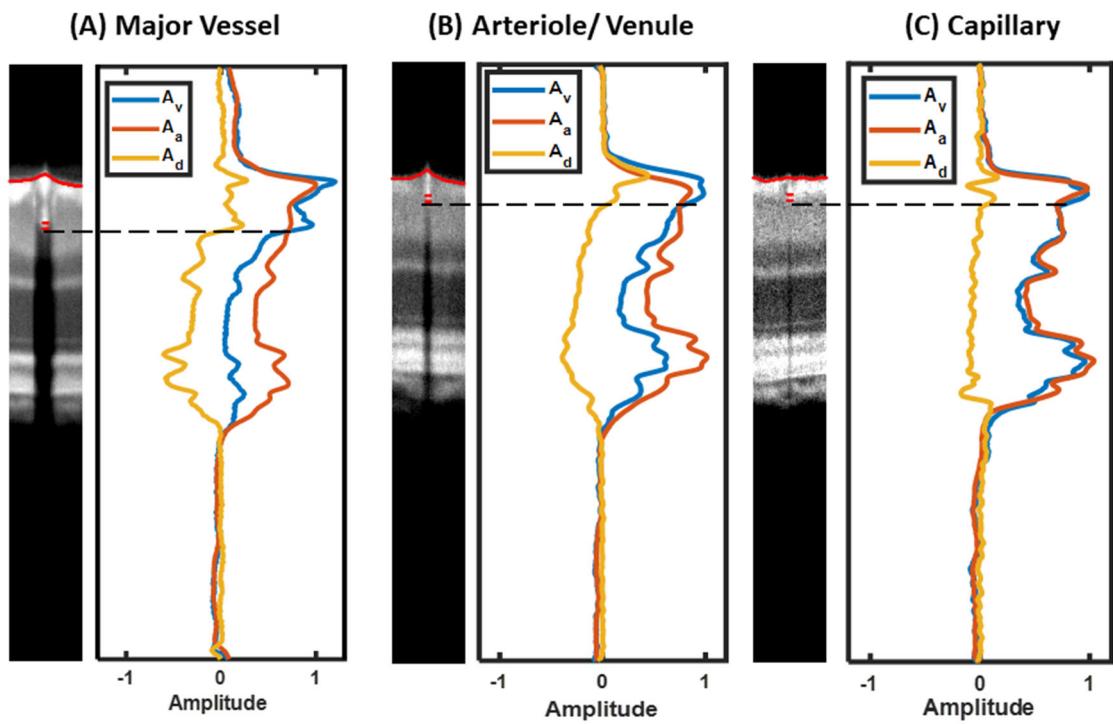


Figure S7: Posterior border detection at vessels with different diameters. A_v : vessel reflectance axial profile. A_a : averaged reflectance axial profile of the entire B-scan. A_d : difference of A_v and A_a . The vessel posterior border was determined by the zero-crossing depth of the difference profile A_d , with the anterior border determined by the first suprathreshold voxel in the axial profile of the averaged capillary angiogram.

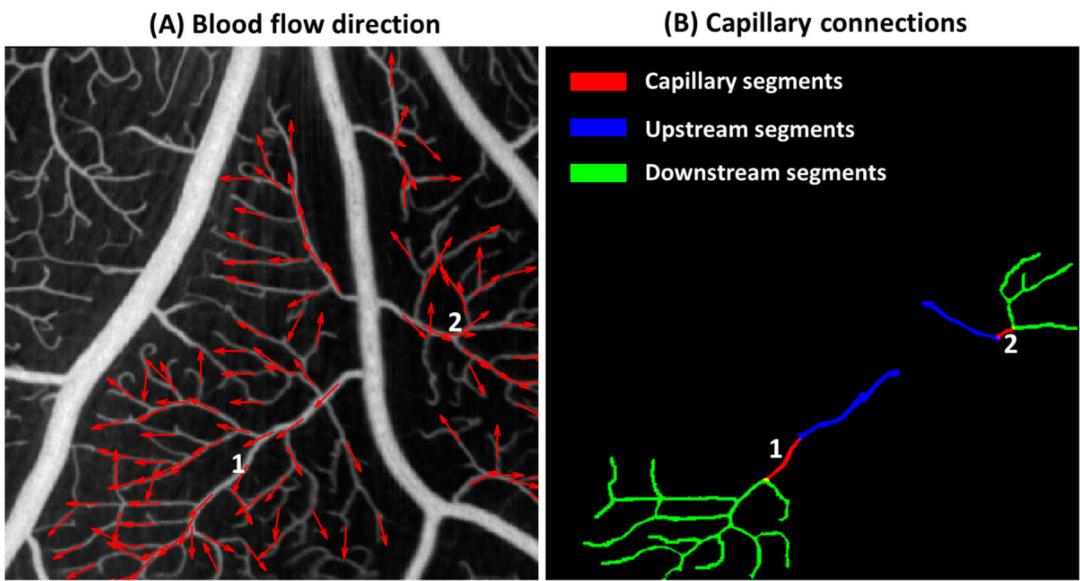


Figure S8: (A) blood flow direction and (B) examples of capillary (#1, #2) connections in SVP arterial capillaries revealed during the capillary morphology analysis. Capillary #1 is identified as a first order capillary as it has 22 downstream segments. Capillary #2 is identified as third order capillary as it has 6 downstream segments.

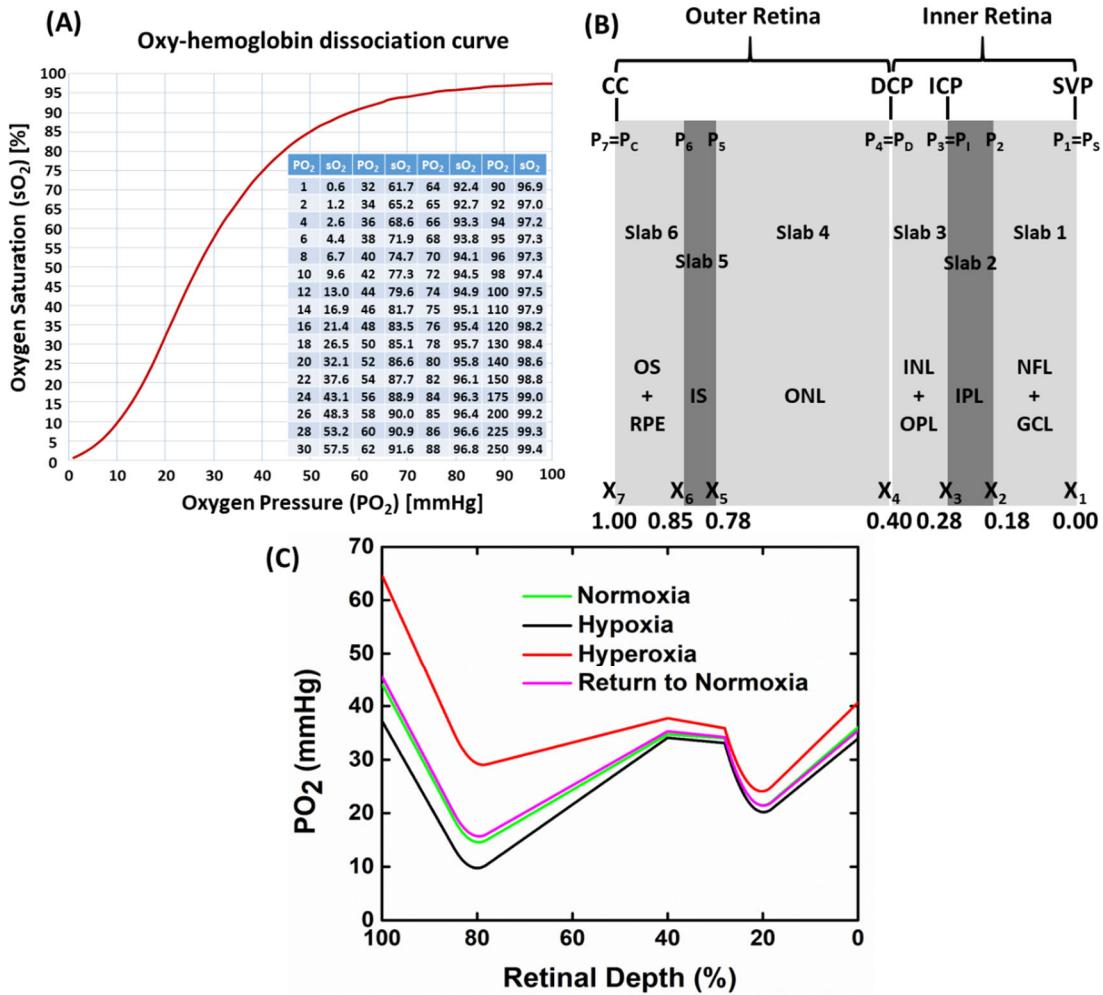


Figure S9: (A) Oxy-hemoglobin dissociation curve relates oxygen pressure (PO_2) with sO_2 in the blood. (B) The retina is modeled as six slabs to simulate the axial PO_2 profile from PO_2 values (P_s , P_i , P_d , and P_c) at four capillary plexuses: SVP, ICP, DCP, and choriocapillaris (CC). X: normalized retina depth. NFL: nerve fiber layer, GCL: ganglion cell layer, IPL: inner plexiform layer, INL: inner nuclear layer, OPL: outer plexiform layer, ONL: outer nuclear layer, IS: photoreceptor inner segments, OS: photoreceptor outer segments, RPE: retinal pigment epithelium. (C) The calculated axial profiles of oxygen pressure (PO_2) in the rat retina from capillary sO_2 show trends that parallel the changes in inhaled oxygen concentration. Retina depth: 0%: ILM, 100%: BM.