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CPR Epinephrine Heads Up CPR Arrest S/P Sex





• 3,999 placebo receiving patients

The study evaluated 30 day outcomes and functional neurologic outcomes at discharge and at 3 months

New Engl J Med 2018;379:711-21





















Neutral Result Conclusion

Epinephrine does not improve neurologically intact survival in OOHCA

Negative Result Conclusion

Epinephrine in OOHCA just increases the likelihood of being neurologically devastated without significantly increasing the number of neurologically intact survivors









- 20° Reverse Trendelenburg positioning
- + O_2 but with delayed positive pressure







Heads Up CPR

- May make a true difference
- Not yet independently verified
- Requires mechanical CPR, ITD
- Requires compression-decompression
- Slowly raise head after priming





- 987 pts Amiodarone vs Lidocaine
- 19,517 pts Lidocaine vs placebo



Do Antiarrhythmics Make A Difference?

Resus 2018; 132: 63-72

No proven benefits of antiarrhythmic therapy in cardiac arrest due to shockable rhythms in OHCA when measuring survival to hospital discharge and especially when evaluating favorable neurologic outcomes and long term survival.



• Evaluated ROSC, hospital d/c, 30d survival

















Acute Hypotension with NTG 5 Causes

- Right Ventricular AMI
- Relative or Absolute Volume depletion
- Viagra, Levitra, Cialis
- Bezold-Jarisch Reflex
- Drug Sensitivity (valvular dsx, idiopathic)















- NTG is safe in AMI
- NTG is safe in Inferior AMI
- NTG relieves Anginal pain in ACS
- Respect NTG but use it





- 2019 Guidelines for Bradycardia
- Provider recommendations for BB and CAB
- Now also recommends **bolus** aminophylline
- Excellent Flow Diagrams





Medication	Dosage	Comments			
Symptomatic sinus bradycard	la or atrioventricular block				
Atropine	0.5-1 mg IV (may be repeated every 3-5 min to a maximum dose of 3 mg) (55.3.2.4-20-55.3.2.4-24)				
Dopamine	spamine S to 20 mcg/kg/min IV, starting at 5 mcg/kg/min and increasing by 5 mcg/kg/min every 2 min (55.3.2.4-25)				
Isoproterenol	20-60 mcg IV bolus followed doses of 10-20 mcg, or infusion of 1-20 mcg/min based on heart rate response (55.3.2.4-26–55.3.2.4-32)	Monitor for potential development of ischemic chest pain			
Epinephrine	2-10 mcg/min IV or 0.1-0.5 mcg/kg/min IV titrated to desired effect (55.3.2.4-17, 55.3.2.4-31, 55.3.2.4-33)				
Second- or third-degree atric	oventricular block associated with acute inferior MI				
Aminophylline	250-mg IV bolus				
Calcium channel blocker over	dose				
10% calcium chloride	1-2 g IV every 10-20 min or an infusion of 0.2-0.4 mL/kg/h (55.3.2.4-34–55.3.2.4-36)				
10% calcium gluconate	3-6 g IV every 10-20 min or an infusion at 0.6-1.2 mL/kg/h (55.3.2.4-34–55.3.2.4-36)				
Beta-blocker or calcium chan	nel blocker overdose				
Glucagon	3-10 mg IV with infusion of 3-5 mg/h (55.3.2.4-37, 55.3.2.4-38)				
High dose insulin therapy	IV bolus of 1 unit/kg followed by an infusion of 0.5 units/kg/h (55.3.2.4-36, 55.3.2.4-39, 55.3.2.4-40).	Follow glucose and potassium levels			
Digoxin overdose					
Digoxin antibody fragment	Dosage is dependent on amount ingested or known digoxin concentration (55.3.2.4-41-55.3.2.4-48)	 One vial binds approximately 0.5 mg of digoxin Administer over at least 30 mi May be repeated 			
Post-heart transplant					
Aminophylline	6 mg/kg in 100-200 mL of IV fluid over 20-30 min				
Theophylline	300 mg IV, followed by oral dose of 5-30 mg/kg/d titrated to effect	 Therapeutic serum levels range from 10-20 mcg/mL Usual posttransplant dosages average 450 mg±100 mg/d 			
Spinal cord injury					
Aminophylline	6 mg/kg in 100-200 mL of IV fluid over 20-30 min (55.3.2.4-7)				
Theophylline	Oral dose of 5-10 mg/kg/d titrated to effect (55.3.2.4-6)	Effective dosages often result in serur levels below the usual effective			



Aminophylline for AV Block in Inferior AMI

Resuscitation 2000;47:105-12

- Review of 5 reports of Aminophylline in Inf AMI with A-V block resistant to atropine
- Patients received 125-300mg
- Worked in 15/19 pts
- All infusions were over 10-20 minutes

Effect of Aminophylline in Patients with Atropine-Resistant Late Advanced Atrioventricular Block during Acute Inferior Myocardial Infarction

Clin Card 1998;21:754-67

• 8 Inferior AMI patients

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- All with atropine resistant A-V block
- 240 mg aminophylline over 10 min

Worked in 8/8 pts, many required second dose 1 hr later. Improves AV conduction not native atrial rate

Patient No.	Age (years/sex)	AV block appearance (days)	Degree of AV block		Atrial rate		Ventricular rate	
			Before	After	Before	After	Before	After
	69.F	5	Complete	1:1 PR: 0.56	110	98	64	98
2	70/F	4	Mobitz II 2:1 PR: 0.48	1:1 PR:0.38	96	110	48	110
3	73/M	4	Complete	1:1 PR: 0.24	79	81	63	81
4	73/M	2	Mobitz II 2:1 PR: 0.24	1:1 PR:0.24	120	100	60	100
5	78/M	4	Complete	1:1 PR:0.24	100	60	44	60
6	58/M	2	Complete	1:1 PR:0.16	100	100	48	100
7	68/F	2	Complete	Mobitz I 3:2/5:4	130	140	68	92
ĸ	51/M	2	Complete	1:1 PR:0.32	100	68	58	68
	67.5±8.8				104 ± 16-95 ± 25 p=NS		57±9-89±17 p≈0.012	

Aminophylline in Symptomatic HB

- Give slowly, if at all
- 250 mg over 10 20 minutes or longer
- Be careful, follow HR closely

Do NOT follow current AHA/ACC guidelines





• STEMI and no AMI pts



Early Coronary Angiography Take Homes

- Early CCL essential to find intervenable lesions
- If PCI indicated: survival doubles with good neuro
- Non ST elevation AMI: intervenable lesions about 30% of time
- They, too, greatly benefit
- Be aggressive for high ROI









Measured effectiveness as HR < 90 or rate lowering by > 20%

Acad Emerg Med 2018; in press August





• 20% received Beta Blockade

Magnesium for Rate Control in AF Take Homes

- Adjunct? maybe; Primary NO
- 2.5 grams or 4.5 grams?
- 9 grams = lots of flushing (10-15%)
- Was very safe, < 1% hypotension
- Read this paper carefully











Oxygenation S/P Arrest Once ROSC Obtained

- Maintain O₂ saturation below 100%
- Aim for 95-96%
- Await further refinements

100% by non-rebreather s/p arrest in normotensive patients is no longer good care



• Conservative = RA or low flow nasal O_2

High Flow Oxygen in Critical Illness

Annals of Emerg Med 2018 ePub Dec

- Increased Hospital mortality 21%
- Increased 30 day mortality 14%
- Increased long term mortality 10%

High Flow O₂ Take Homes

Once a pulse has returned, maintain O2 saturation at 93-95% and 89-92% in COPD



Intubation and Airway Management







Comments and Limitations

- ICU trial not ED or EMS
- No nasal O_2 during study period
- No 1 in aspirations (2.5% vs 4%)

Take Homes

Be sure to provide $100\% O_2$ by nasal prongs during ETI

whether you use BVM or not

Effectiveness of Apneic Oxygenation During Intubation: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis Lucas Oliveira J. e Sinx, Darid Cabrera, MC, Patricia Barionurve, MC, Rebeca L. Johnson, MC, Patricia J. Evin, MCB. M. Hassan Hundi, MO, MPK M. Ferranda Bellosi, MO, MS⁹ "Comparing Marker: Camb Limit Comparing Marking Mark Company, 2011

Annals Emerg Med 2017; 70:483-494

• Meta-analysis: 8 studies; 1837 pts

Apneic oxygenation decreases hypoxemia by 1/3 and significantly increases first pass success in ETI





• Direct laryngoscopy only, no video DL

Expertise in ETI during CPR

Resus 2018 Aug 30; epub ahead of print

90% successful ETI < 60 sec requires at least 137 patient attempted intubations

Expertise in ETI during CPR

Resus 2018 Aug 30; epub ahead of print

90% successful ETI < 30 sec requires at least 243 attempted intubations

ETI Expertise during CPR Take Home

Becoming an expert in invasive airway management requires years, not months, and hundreds of invasive airway attempts



• ¹/₂ (380) of pts had difficult airway characteristics







Bougie Use for ETI Take Homes

- Use bougies more
- They are central to airway management
- Start with a bougie on difficult airways *or go to one quickly after first look*



- Used laryngoscopy or trached aspiration
- Also evaluated effect on ETI





How Helpful is Cricoid Pressure Using the Sellick Maneuver Take Homes

- It won't help decrease aspiration
- But it will make your intubation harder

Airways and ETI

- Aggressive nasal O2
- Have or use Boujie
- No Cricoid
- BVM??
- Use video



Tranexamic Acid TXA

- An anti-fibrinolytic
- Blocks fibrin clot dissolution
- TXA binds to plasminogen
- Blocks plasminogen fibrin interaction
- FDA approved in 1989 for hemophilia

TXA Decreasing Blood Loss

- Tooth extractions in hemophilia
- Refractory nose bleeds
- Decrease surgical blood loss (orthopedics: spine and hip; ob/gyn: hysterectomy)
- During cardiopulmonary bypass
- Post major trauma?





• 150 TXA pts and 150 matched controls











- 232 consecutive pts, Denver Health, 43 MTP
- Compared 3 fibrinolytic states
- Shutdown vs Physiologic vs Systemic fibrinolysis
- Compared each group of fibrinolysis types
- Analysis done with matching for injury severity





Inclusion

West J Med 2018;19:977-986

- San Bernardino, Riverside, Alameda counties
- 8 Level I and II Trauma Centers
- 30 EMS Agencies
- Blunt or Penetrating trauma > 18yo
- Signs of hemorrhagic shock



TXA vs Control Additional Results:

West J Med 2018;19:977-986

- Less Blood use with TXA (average use 1 vs 3)
- Lower ICU time with TXA (average LOS 4d vs 5d)
- Lower Hospital LOS with TXA (average 4d vs 8d)
- No increased DVTs or PEs (2 cases in each group)
- Same % of Penetrating Trauma (63% in each group)

TXA significantly decreased mortality in those patients who received more than 10 units of blood



TXA use for Trauma Take Homes

- Retrospective Matched Controls
- Not a randomized trial
- Very Impressive Results
- Divergent from Denver and Miami
- Fuel to the TXA Fire!



Does TXA use in Trauma patients increase PE and DVT incidence?

- 189 paired Level 1 Trauma pts
- Retrospective Study 2012-16
- University of Pittsburgh; high propensity matching
- Drew from 217 TXA treated pts
- No increase in survival with TXA





TXA and VTE Take Home

This study suggests TXA increases VTE risk but the groups are not truly equal and this is a retrospective study



Summary

Epi † survival but † bad Neuro too

PCI all VF/VT survivors

Not witnessed, no shock, no ROSC

DSD: no

Not ready for Heads Up CPR

Summary

Don't bolus aminophylline

NTG relatively safe

Magnesium in AF: adjunct

Hyperoxygenation bad

Nasal prongs great

Summary

ETI expertise takes time

Use Bougies

- Cricoid sucks
- TXA: still unsure
- Use tourniquets



