

Thursday, March 10, 2022

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Meet & Greet Reception With Hors d'oeuvres and Mini-Presentation

Friday, March 11, 2022

**FROM THE INTENSIVE CARE UNIT TO HOME AGAIN: LESSONS
LEARNED FROM THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

7:00 am – 8:00 am

Registration & Breakfast

8:00 am – 8:15 am

Welcome and Pre-Test

Kristina Kudelko, MD and Gaurav Singh, MD, MPH

8:15 am – 9:05 am

Update on Evidence-Based Therapies for COVID-19

Ryan Maves, MD

Keynote Speaker

9:05 am – 9:50 am

Unconventional and Advanced Modes of Ventilation and Proning

Krystal Craddock, MSRC, RRT, RRT-ACCS, RRT-NPS, AE-C, CCM and Justin Phillips, RCP, RRT-ACCS

9:50 am – 10:35 am

ECMO as Bridge to Recovery for Severe COVID-19

Oren Friedman, MD

10:35 am – 10:50 am

Break

10:50 am – 11:35 am

Lung Transplantation for Severe COVID-19

Nick Kolaitis, MD and Leslie Seijo, MD

11:35 am – 12:20 pm

**Long COVID Pulmonary Management: Establishing Post-COVID-19
Models of Care**

Lekshmi Santhosh, MD, MA

12:20 pm – 1:20 pm

Lunch

PROGRAM

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1:20 pm – 2:20 pm

**Hands-On Session: ICU Ventilators, Oxygen Delivery Devices, Manual
and Self-Prone**

Krystal Craddock, MSRC, RRT, RRT-ACCS, RRT-NPS, AE-C, CCM;

Justin Phillips, RCP, RRT-ACCS; Daniel Stemen, MSRS, RCP, RRT-ACCS,

ECMOS; Brian Smith, MSRC, RRT; and Emma Blackmon, PhD, RN, CCRN

**ADVANCES IN LUNG CANCER DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC
STRATEGIES**

2:20 pm – 3:05 pm

Advances in Diagnosis and Staging

Harmeet Bedi, MD

3:05 pm – 3:50 pm

Molecular Testing and Targeted Therapies

Millie Das, MD

3:50 pm – 4:05pm

Break

4:05 pm – 4:50 pm

**Palliation Therapies (Stents, Laser Therapy, Indwelling Pleural
Catheters)**

George Chaux, MD

4:50 pm – 5:00 pm

Post-Test and Adjourn

Kristina Kudelko, MD and Gaurav Singh, MD, MPH

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Trainee Poster Session (NON-CME)

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REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST

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WELCOME AND PRE-TEST

8:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.



**KRISTINA KUDELKO, MD
STANFORD UNIVERSITY**

Dr. Kristina Kudelko is a Clinical Associate Professor in the Division of Pulmonary, Allergy, and Critical Care Medicine at Stanford University. Dr. Kudelko sub-specializes in pulmonary hypertension in which she completed an advanced fellowship in 2009. She is highly invested in teaching, mentorship, and wellness. She is the Program Director for the eBay fellowship in pulmonary vascular disease at Stanford and the Director of Education and Steering Committee member of the Vera Moulton Wall Center for Pulmonary Vascular Disease.



**GAURAV SINGH, MD, MPH
VA PALO ALTO HEALTH CARE SYSTEM
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Dr. Gaurav Singh received his medical degree from UCSF and completed a Masters of Public Health at UC Berkeley. Currently, he is a Staff Physician at the VA Palo Alto Health Care System in the Section of Pulmonary, Critical Care, and Sleep Medicine. He is also an Affiliated Clinical Assistant Professor at Stanford University, where he completed training in Internal Medicine, followed by Pulmonary and Critical Care fellowship as well as Sleep Medicine fellowship. Dr. Singh has been involved with CTS since 2018 and has been a speaker for the Northern California Annual Conferences in 2019 and 2020. He served on the planning committee for the cancelled CTS Northern California Annual Conference in 2021. He is Conference Co-Chair for the 2022 CTS Annual Educational Conference.



Update on Evidence-Based Therapies for COVID-19

8:15 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.

RYAN MAVES, MD, FCCM, FCCP, FIDSA WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. Ryan Maves is a Professor of Medicine and Anesthesiology at the Wake Forest School of Medicine in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, where he serves as medical director of transplant infectious diseases and as a faculty intensivist at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center. A graduate of the University of Washington School of Medicine, he completed his internal medicine residency and fellowships in infectious diseases and critical care medicine at the Naval Medical Center in San Diego, California. Following fellowship, he served at the Naval Medical Research Unit No. 6 in Lima, Peru, leading studies in antimicrobial drug resistance and vaccine development. He returned to NMCS D in 2010, serving as ID division head. In 2012, Dr. Maves deployed to the NATO Role 3 Multinational Medical Unit at Kandahar Airfield, Afghanistan, as Director of Medical Services. After returning from deployment, he later served as vice chair of medicine and ID fellowship program director. He was the DoD coordinating principal investigator (PI) for the NIAID-sponsored Adaptive Covid-19 Treatment Trial (ACTT) and the San Diego site PI for the AstraZeneca/Oxford phase 3 ChAdOx1 SARS-CoV-2 vaccine trial. He retired from the United States Navy with the rank of Captain in 2021 after 22 years of active-duty service and joined the faculty at Wake Forest.

Dr. Maves is board-certified in internal medicine, infectious diseases, and critical care medicine. He is the vice chair of the Fundamental Disaster Management committee in the Society of Critical Care Medicine and is the chair of the American College of Chest Physician's Covid-19 Task Force and the Disaster Response and Global Health Section. He lives in Winston-Salem with his wife, Robin, and their three children. His research currently focuses on the epidemiology and treatment of severe viral diseases, including SARS-CoV-2, as well as disaster responses to public health emergencies.

COVID-19:

Clinical trials and management update

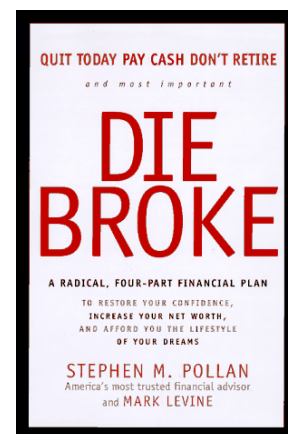
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- Advisory panel memberships:
 - Trauma Insights, **EMD Serono**
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- Off-label medication uses may be discussed.



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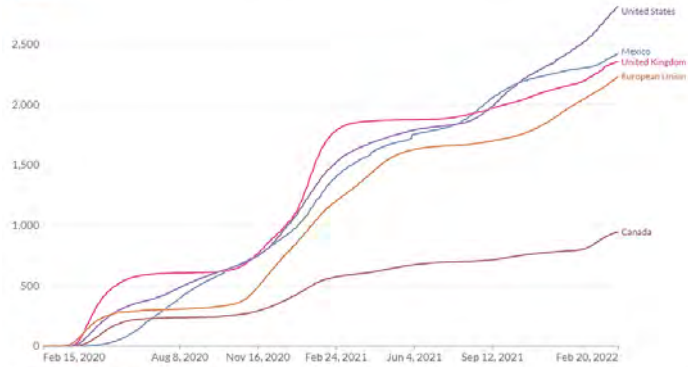
COVID-19

Cumulative confirmed COVID-19 deaths per million people

For some countries the number of confirmed deaths is much lower than the true number of deaths. This is because of limited testing and challenges in the attribution of the cause of death.

Our World
in Data

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Source: Johns Hopkins University CSSE COVID-19 Data

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Competing schools of thought in critical care



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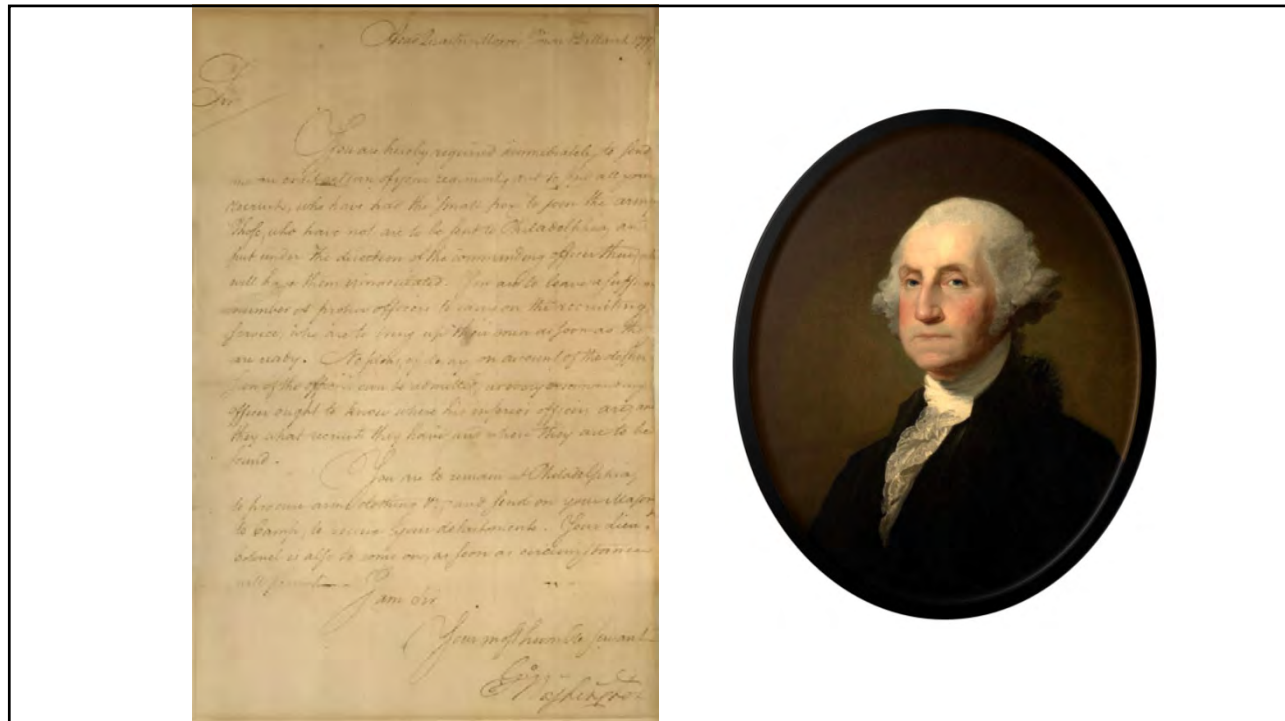


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<https://www.history.com/news/1918-pandemic-public-health-campaigns>

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Objectives

- Focus on therapy for active infection:
 - Inpatient and outpatient
 - Antivirals, immunomodulators, antithrombotics
- Will not touch on:
 - Vaccine efficacy
 - Prophylaxis (e.g., tixagevimab/cilgavimab)
 - Non-pharmacologic interventions

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Clinical Infectious Diseases

BRIEF REPORT

Clinical Outcomes of Coronavirus Disease 2019 With Evidence-based Supportive Care

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Calls for adherence to evidence-based medicine have emerged during the initial wave of the COVID-19 pandemic but reports of outcomes are lacking. This retrospective study of an institutional cohort including 135 patients with confirmed COVID-19 demonstrates positive outcomes when organizational standards of care consist of evidence-based supportive therapies.

Keywords. COVID-19 outcomes; supportive care; evidence-based medicine.

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COVID-19 Clinical Trials

As of 11:38 AM Pacific Time on 07 March 2022:

- **3,212 interventional trials** for COVID-19 that are active, recruiting or completed on clinicaltrials.gov
 - 954 in the United States
 - 950 in Europe and the UK
 - 325 in South and Central America
 - 278 in China
 - 276 in the Middle East
 - 203 in Africa
 - 175 in Canada
 - 143 in India
 - 127 in Mexico
 - Plus Southeast Asia, Australia, Japan...



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Antivirals

The graphic shows a syringe on the left and a 3D model of a virus particle on the right, with the word "Antivirals" centered below them.

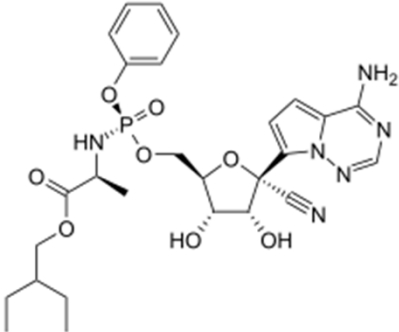
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Remdesivir

- Viral RNA polymerase inhibitor
- Previously available through expanded access protocols, emergency use authorization, and RCTs.
- Gilead submitted NDA to FDA for approval on 10 August 2020 (“Veklury”), now FDA-approved.



The chemical structure of Remdesivir is shown, featuring a ribose sugar ring with a cytosine base, a cyano group, and a phosphonate group attached to the 5' carbon. The phosphonate group is further substituted with a phenyl ring and a propanoic acid derivative.

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- First RCT of remdesivir vs placebo, conducted in Wuhan, China
- 237 patients, 2:1 allocation, 10 days of remdesivir IV
- Median age 64-66 years, more men in placebo group (65% vs 56%).
- Concomitant use of antiretrovirals, interferons, corticosteroids permitted.
- 11/158 (7%) of drug patients on MV vs 10/78 (13%) of placebo patients.
- Trial stopped early due to end of outbreak in Wuhan
 - Reduction in statistical power (80% -> 58% ability to detect a HR of 1.4 for clinical improvement).

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	Remdesivir group (n=158)	Placebo group (n=78)	Difference*
Time to clinical improvement	21.0 (13.0 to 28.0)	23.0 (15.0 to 28.0)	1.23 (0.87 to 1.75) [†]
Day 28 mortality	22 (14%)	10 (13%)	1.1% (-8.1 to 10.3)
Early (\leq 10 days of symptom onset)	8/71 (11%)	7/47 (15%)	-3.6% (-16.2 to 8.9)
Late (>10 days of symptom onset)	12/84 (14%)	3/31 (10%)	4.6% (-8.2 to 17.4)
Clinical improvement rates			
Day 7	4 (3%)	2 (3%)	0.0% (-4.3 to 4.2)
Day 14	42 (27%)	18 (23%)	3.5% (-8.1 to 15.1)
Day 28	103 (65%)	45 (58%)	7.5% (-5.7 to 20.7)
Duration of invasive mechanical ventilation, days	7.0 (4.0 to 16.0)	15.5 (6.0 to 21.0)	-4.0 (-14.0 to 2.0)
Duration of invasive mechanical ventilation in survivors, days [‡]	19.0 (5.0 to 42.0)	42.0 (17.0 to 46.0)	-12.0 (-41.0 to 25.0)
Duration of invasive mechanical ventilation in non-survivors, days [‡]	7.0 (2.0 to 11.0)	8.0 (5.0 to 16.0)	-2.5 (-11.0 to 3.0)

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Adaptive COVID-19 Treatment Trial (ACTT)

- Sponsored by NIAID
- **1063 patients, randomized to remdesivir vs placebo**
- 68 centers (US, Denmark, Germany, Greece, Japan, Republic of Korea, Mexico, Singapore, Spain, UK).
- Primary outcome: time to clinical improvement
 - Hospitalized but not requiring supplemental O2 or needing medical care
 - Not hospitalized but w/ limitations in activities and/or on O2
 - Not hospitalized, no limitations
- Completed initial enrollment at midnight, 20 April 2020.



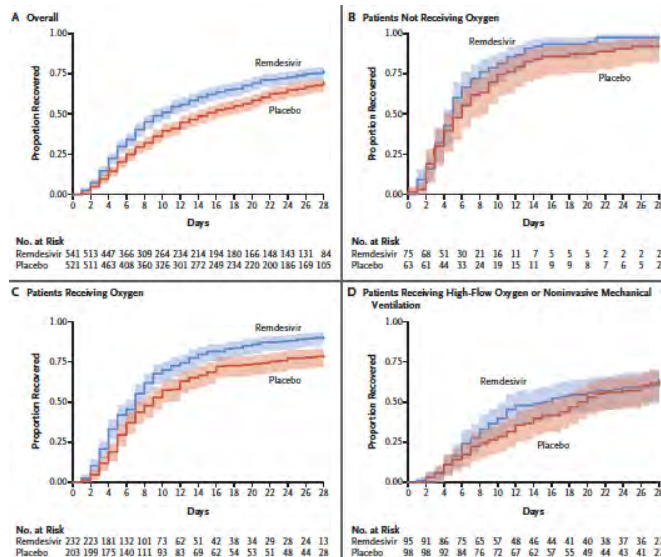
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E Patients Receiving Mechanical Ventilation or ECMO

Days	Remdesivir	Placebo
0	131	154
2	131	153
4	129	152
6	129	151
8	122	149
10	118	142
12	113	136
14	110	130
16	103	121
18	96	116
20	87	110
22	79	98
24	76	89
26	69	79
28	42	48

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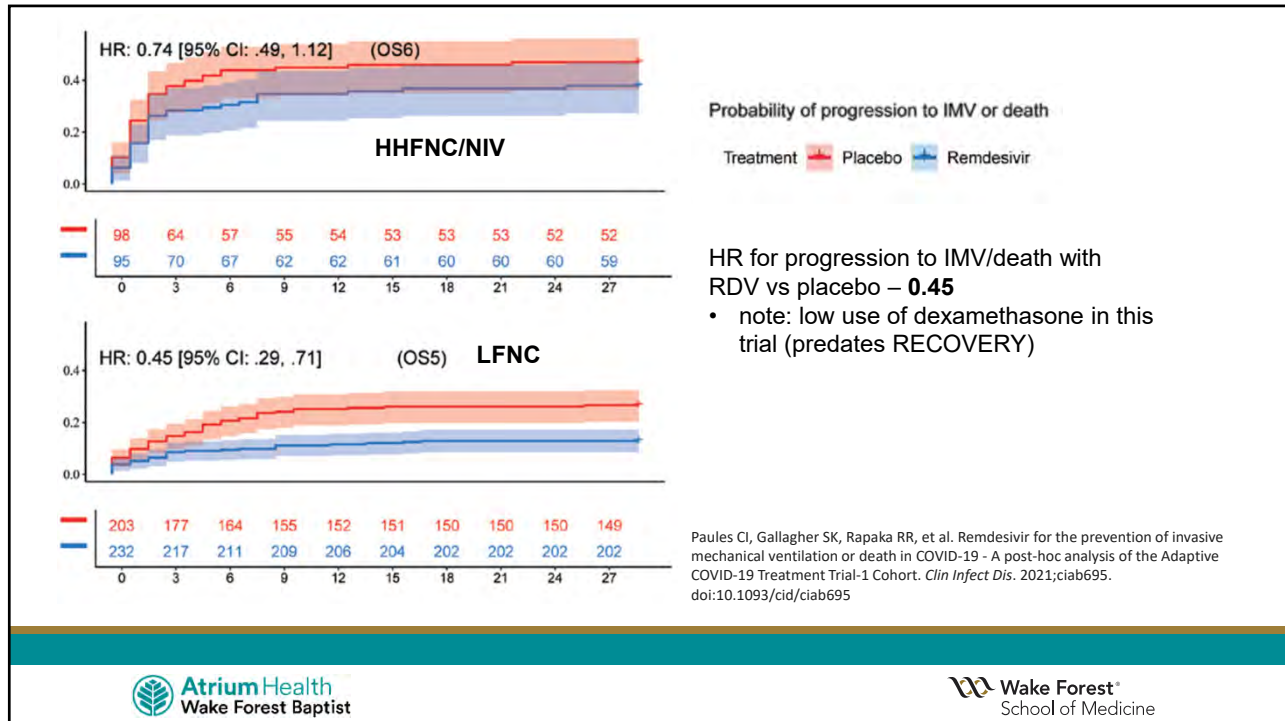
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Repurposed Antiviral Drugs for Covid-19 — Interim WHO Solidarity Trial Results

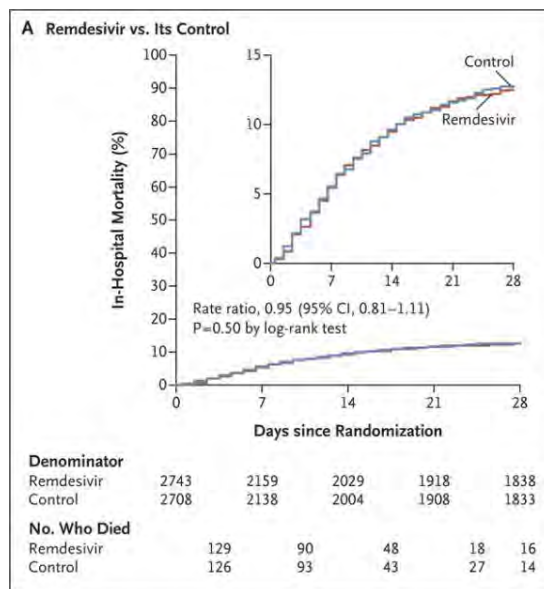
WHO Solidarity Trial Consortium*

- WHO-sponsored adaptive trial:
 - 405 hospitals, 30 countries, 11,266 adults.
 - 2750 allocated remdesivir, 954 hydroxychloroquine, 1411 LPV/r, 651 IFN+LPV/r, 1412 IFN, and 4088 SOC only.
- Kaplan-Meier 28-day mortality was 12%
 - 39% if already ventilated at randomization, 10% otherwise.

WHO Solidarity Trial Consortium. N Engl J Med 2020. DOI: 10.1056/NEJMoa2023184

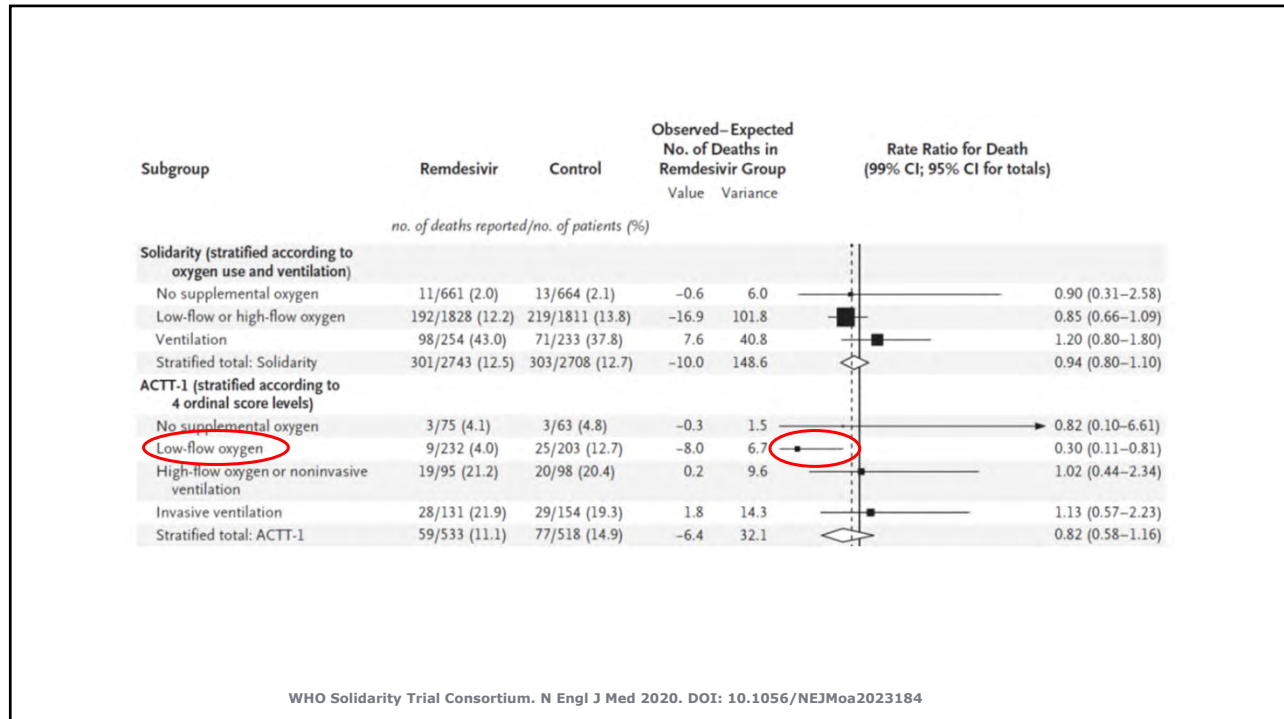


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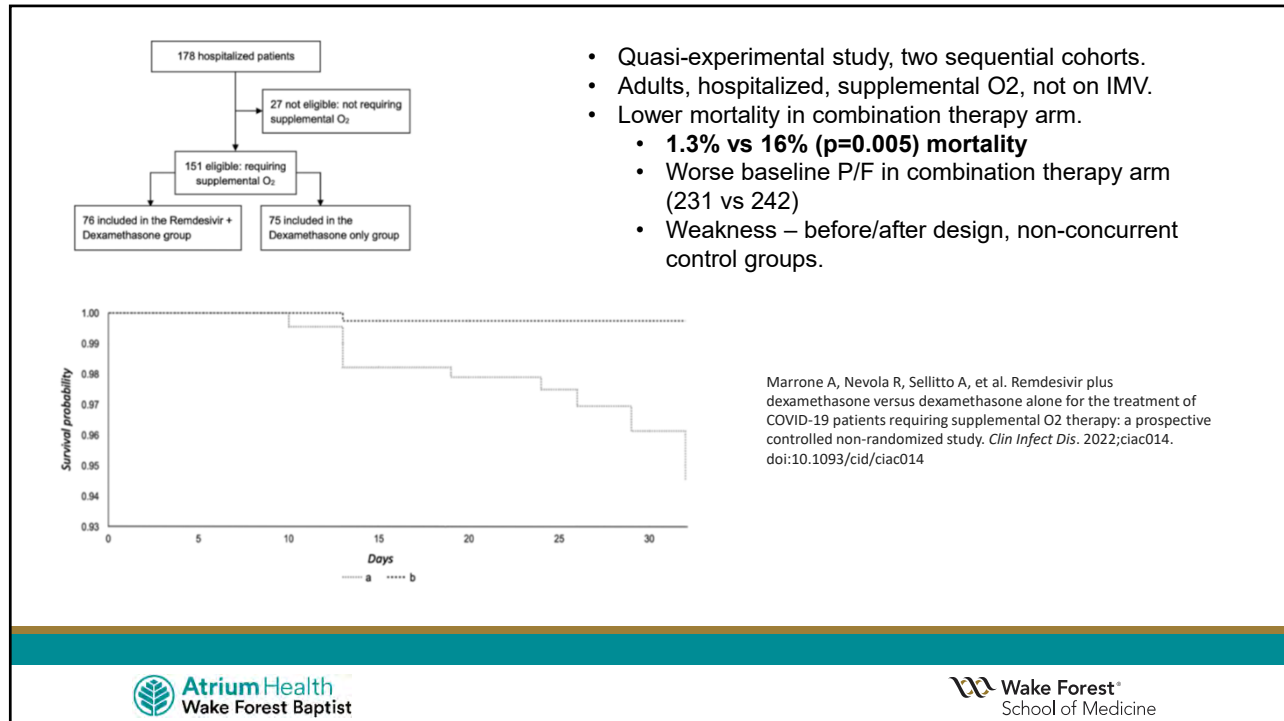
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Limitations of SOLIDARITY

- No placebo
- No double-blinding
- Limited data monitoring
- No diagnostic confirmation of infection
- No timing of symptoms duration before treatment initiation
- Unknown baseline physiological severity
- Unknown supportive care provided
- Unknown health care capacity status of enrolling sites

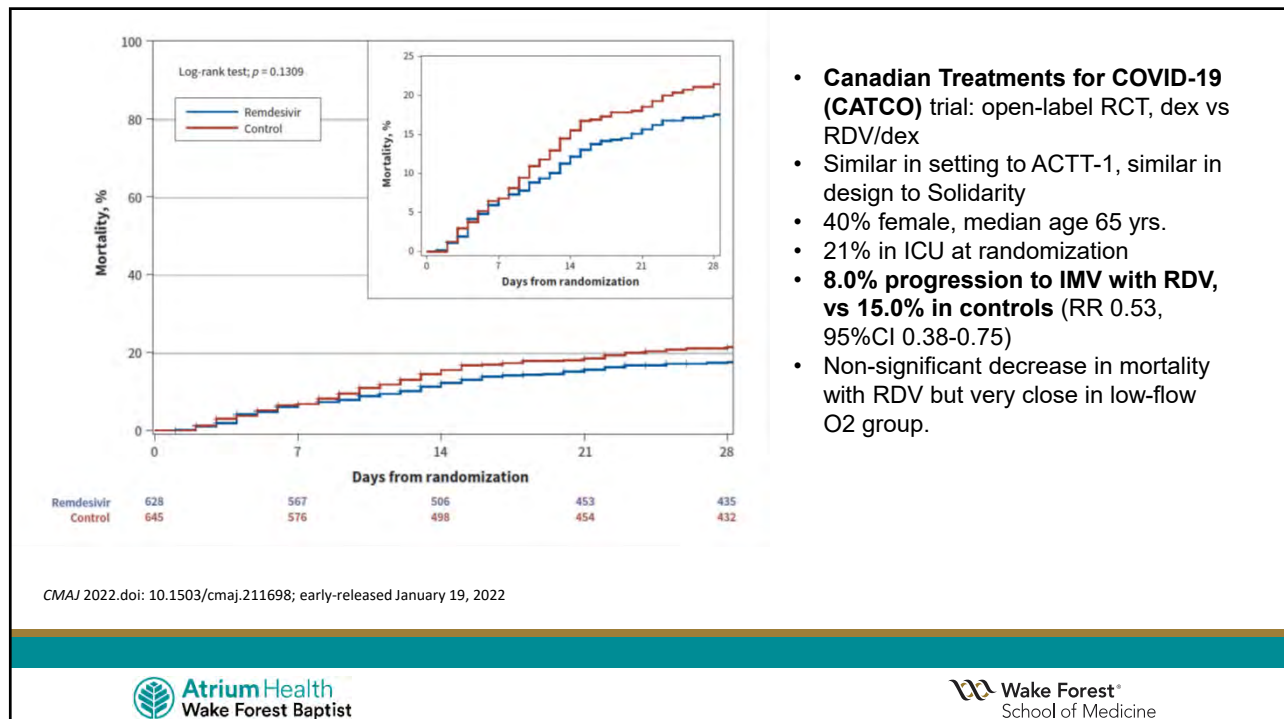
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- Quasi-experimental study, two sequential cohorts.
- Adults, hospitalized, supplemental O₂, not on IMV.
- Lower mortality in combination therapy arm.
 - **1.3% vs 16% (p=0.005) mortality**
 - Worse baseline P/F in combination therapy arm (231 vs 242)
 - Weakness – before/after design, non-concurrent control groups.

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- **Canadian Treatments for COVID-19 (CATCO) trial:** open-label RCT, dex vs RDV/dex
- Similar in setting to ACTT-1, similar in design to Solidarity
- 40% female, median age 65 yrs.
- 21% in ICU at randomization
- **8.0% progression to IMV with RDV, vs 15.0% in controls** (RR 0.53, 95%CI 0.38-0.75)
- Non-significant decrease in mortality with RDV but very close in low-flow O₂ group.

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Subgroup	No. (% of patients)	Hospital death rate		p value	Favours remdesivir ← → Favours control
		Remdesivir	Control		
Overall	1267 (100)	117/625 (19)	145/642 (23)		
Age				0.68	
< 55 yr	331 (26)	6/166 (4)	6/165 (4)		
≥ 55 yr	936 (74)	111/459 (24)	139/477 (29)		
Sex				0.81	
Male	756 (60)	77/368 (21)	99/388 (26)		
Female	510 (40)	40/257 (16)	46/253 (18)		
Respiratory support day 1				0.41	
No oxygen therapy	122 (10)	7/68 (10)	8/54 (15)		
Oxygen therapy	690 (55)	36/330 (11)	58/360 (16)		
HFNC	302 (24)	45/149 (30)	52/153 (34)		
Noninvasive vent	45 (4)	10/22 (46)	6/23 (26)		
Invasive vent	108 (9)	19/56 (34)	21/52 (40)		
Time symptom onset to randomization				0.81	
< 7 days	437 (35)	55/231 (24)	61/206 (30)		
≥ 7 days	825 (65)	62/391 (16)	83/434 (19)		

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Outpatient remdesivir

A Covid-19-Related Hospitalization or Death from Any Cause

Hazard ratio, 0.13 (95% CI, 0.03–0.59)
P=0.008

Days since Randomization	Placebo	Remdesivir
0	283	279
2	280	276
4	272	272
6	271	272
8	265	271
10	264	268
12	264	268
14	263	268
16	262	264
18	261	264
20	261	264
22	260	264
24	256	260
26	250	252
28	227	226

Gottlieb RL et al. NEJM 2021, DOI: 10.1056/NEJMoa2116846

- **PINETREE** trial
- Double-blind RCT of high-risk outpatients with COVID-19
- 3 days of IV RDV
- Median 50 years, 47.9% women, 41.8% Hispanic/Latinx.
- **87% reduction in hospitalization** (0.7% vs 5.3%; no deaths by day 28).

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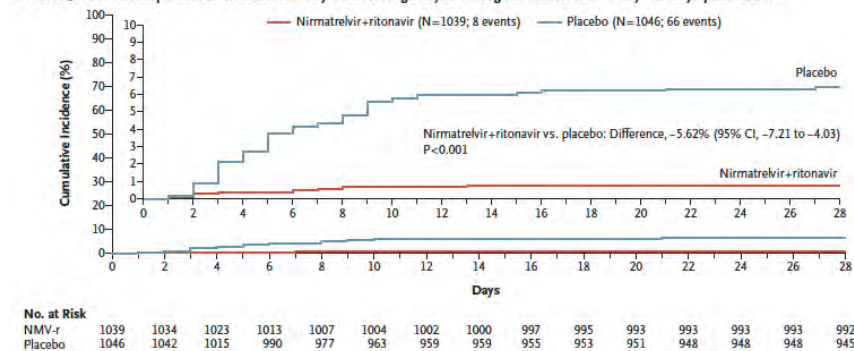
Remdesivir – a proposed summary

- Effective in early COVID-19:
 - **Admitted with hypoxemia** but before requiring NIV/HHFNC/IMV
 - **High-risk outpatients**
- Reduces risk of progression to IMV
- Potential mortality benefit
- Personal argument: response is based on **physiology**, not time
- Not a panacea: likely limited benefit in resource-limited settings

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Nirmatrelvir-ritonavir (Paxlovid)

B Covid-19–Related Hospitalization or Death from Any Cause through Day 28 among Patients Treated ≤5 Days after Symptom Onset

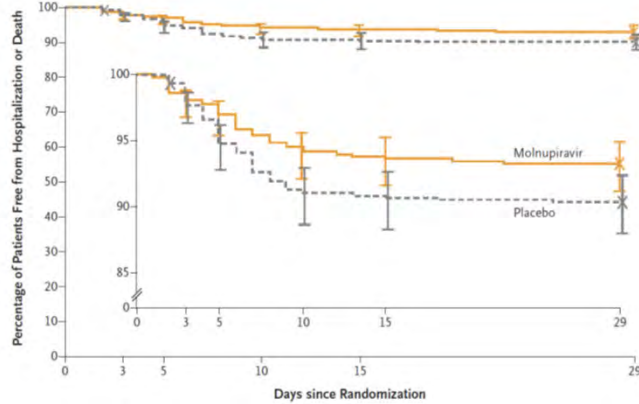


- Oral protease inhibitor, boosted with ritonavir.
- 89% relative reduction in hospitalization or death (absolute reduction, 6.32%).
- Many drug interactions: CNIs, statins

Hammond J, Leister-Tebbe H, Gardner A, et al. Oral Nirmatrelvir for High-Risk, Nonhospitalized Adults with Covid-19 [published online ahead of print, 2022 Feb 16]. *N Engl J Med.* 2022;10.1056/NEJMoa2118542.

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Molnupiravir



Jayk Bernal A, Gomes da Silva MM, Musungaie DB, et al. Molnupiravir for Oral Treatment of Covid-19 in Nonhospitalized Patients. *N Engl J Med.* 2022;386(6):509-520. doi:10.1056/NEJMoa2116044

- Small molecule viral RNA polymerase inhibitor
- 1,433 patient RCT
 - Unvaccinated
 - 51% female
 - Median 43 years
 - 99.4% with risk factor for severe COVID-19 (BMI >30 in 73.7%)
- ITT: 89% reduction in mortality, **31% reduction in hospitalization**
- Teratogenicity concerns

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Immunomodulators

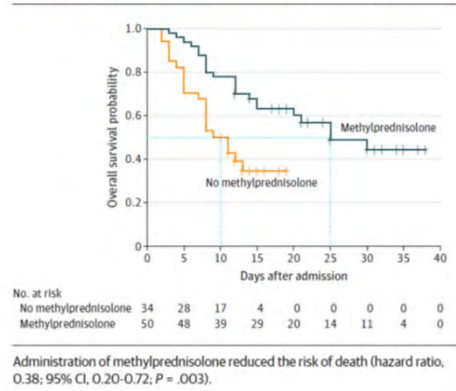


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Glucocorticoids

- Recommended for vasopressor-resistant shock
- Not previously recommended for viral pneumonias, but cautiously advised by SSC and supported by some early Chinese data (**Wu C et al, *JAMA Intern Med* 2020**, 84 patients with ARDS)

Figure. Survival Curve in Patients With Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome Who Did and Did Not Receive Methylprednisolone Treatment



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RECOVERY

Randomised Evaluation of COVID-19 Therapy

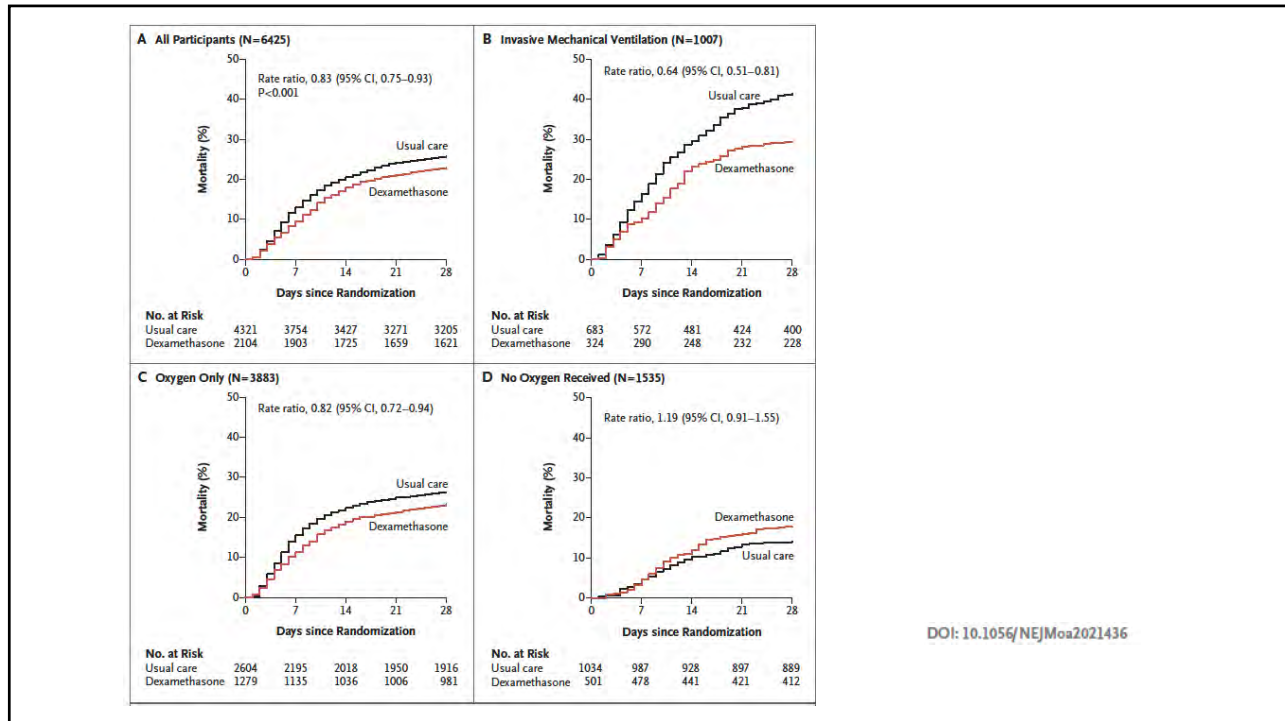
Dexamethasone in Hospitalized Patients with Covid-19 — Preliminary Report

The RECOVERY Collaborative Group*

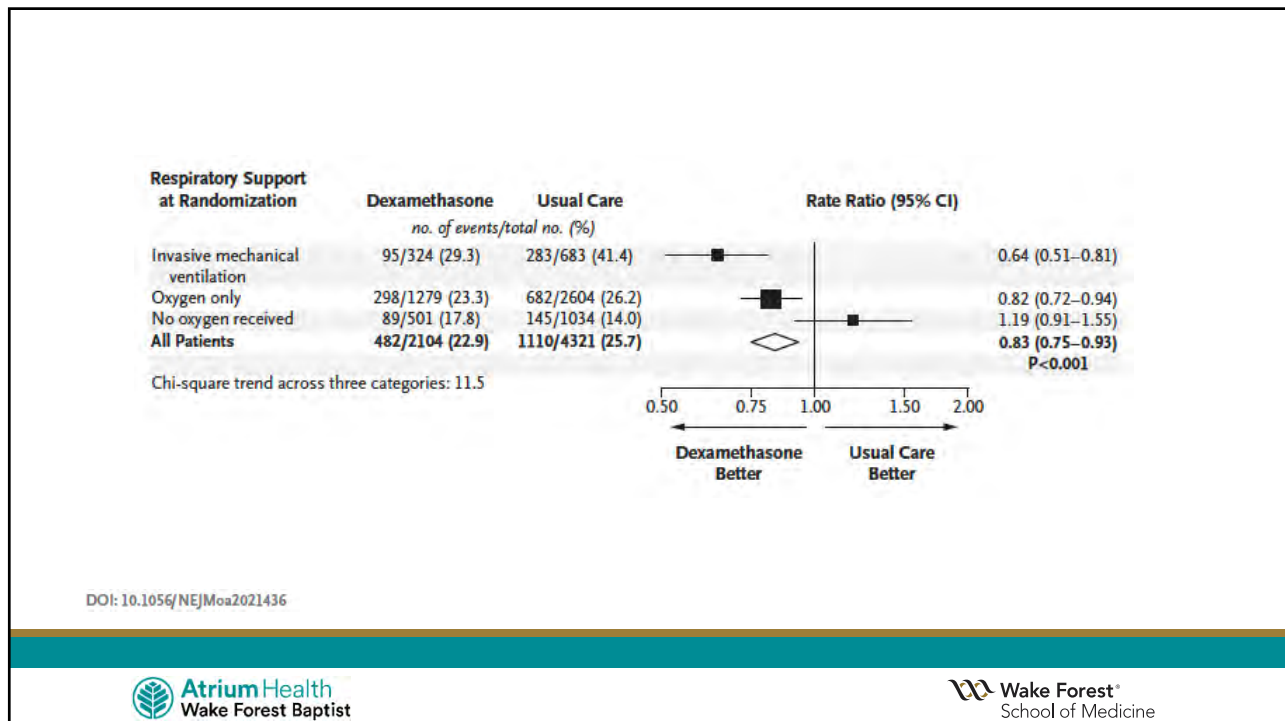
- Open-label, multi-arm RCT in the UK.
- Clinically-suspected or proven SARS-CoV-2 infection
- Conducted 176 UK hospitals between March and June 2020
- Dexamethasone 6 mg IV/PO/NG daily x 10 days vs SOC
- Primary outcome: 28-day mortality
- 6,418 patients, 1:2 allocation (dex vs SOC).
- 8% of SOC group received dexamethasone as well.
- Very little remdesivir used in this trial (5 patients total).
- Very high baseline mortality (**26.2%** in SOC patients **not** receiving mechanical ventilation).

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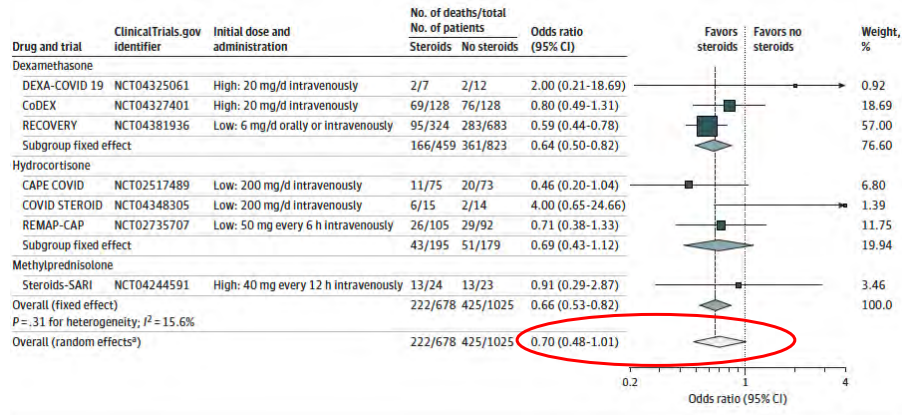
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Association Between Administration of Systemic Corticosteroids and Mortality Among Critically Ill Patients With COVID-19 A Meta-analysis

The WHO Rapid Evidence Appraisal for COVID-19 Therapies (REACT) Working Group

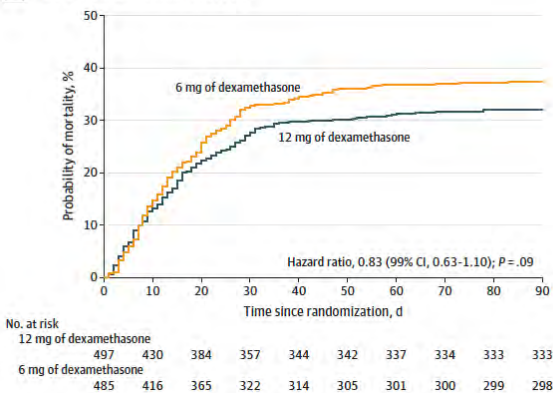


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COVID-STEROID 2 Trial

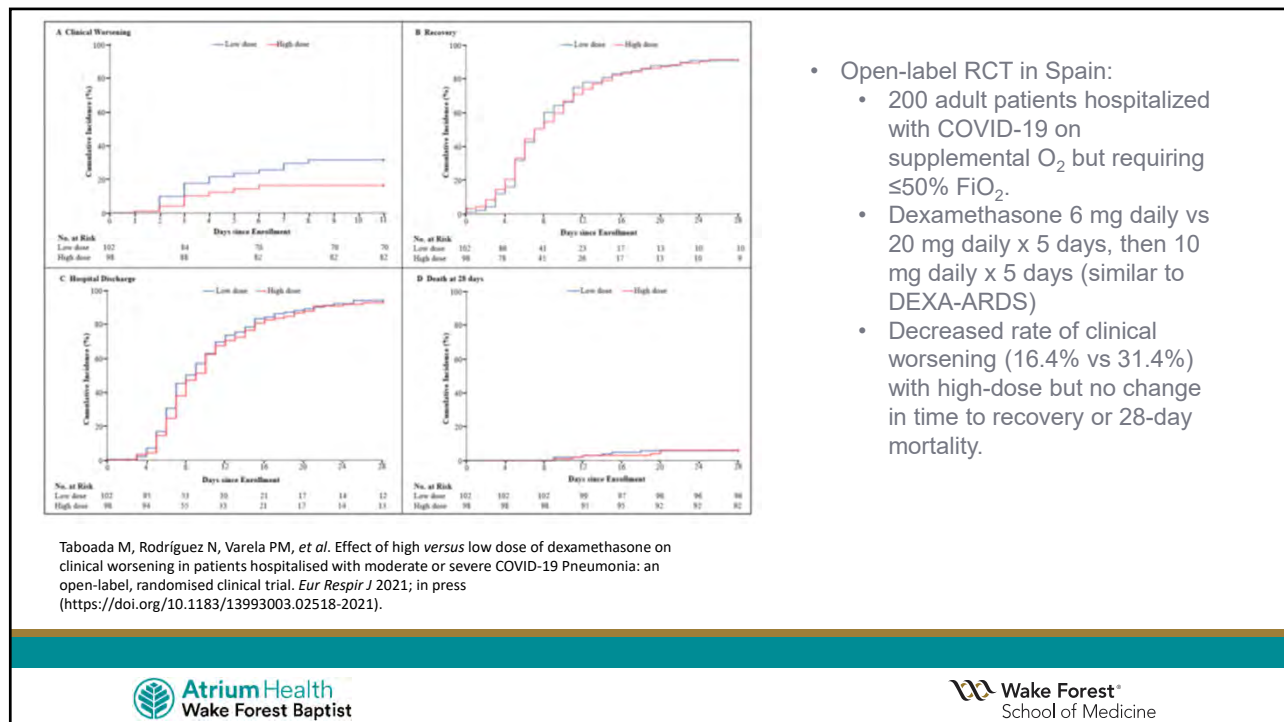
B Time to death curves censored at 90 d



- International RCT of **6 mg vs 12 mg** of dexamethasone for severe/critical COVID-19.
- 1000 adults, hospitalized, requiring at least 10 L/m supplemental O₂.
 - 80% in ICU, 20% on IMV at enrollment
 - 62% on RDV
 - 12% on IL-6 or JAK antagonists
- **Non-significant reduction in 90-day mortality** with higher-dose dexamethasone (32.0% vs 37.7%, p=0.09)
- Planned Bayesian re-analysis (Granhölm A et al, ICM 2022; 28:45-55) estimates a 95.7% probability of benefit at 90 days.

Munch MW, Myatra SN, et al. Effect of 12 mg vs 6 mg of Dexamethasone on the Number of Days Alive Without Life Support in Adults With COVID-19 and Severe Hypoxemia: The COVID STEROID 2 Randomized Trial. JAMA. 2021;326(18):1807-1817. doi:10.1001/jama.2021.18295

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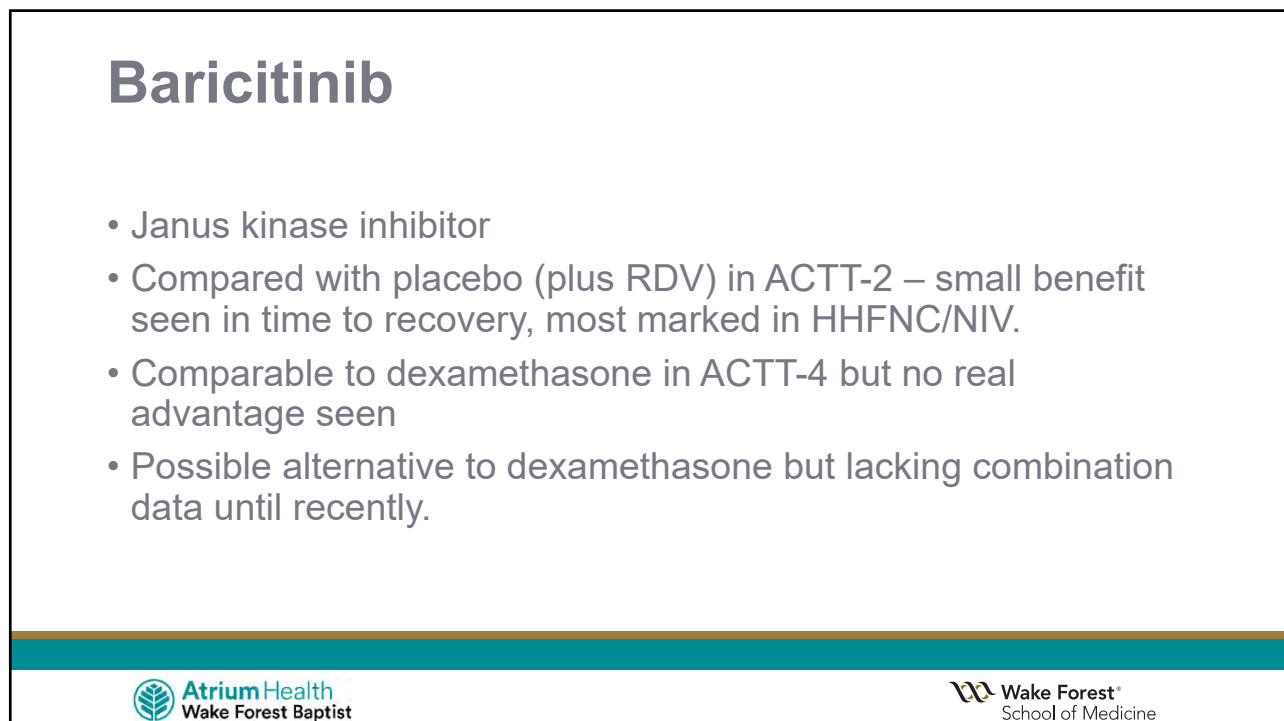
- Open-label RCT in Spain:
 - 200 adult patients hospitalized with COVID-19 on supplemental O₂ but requiring ≤50% FiO₂.
 - Dexamethasone 6 mg daily vs 20 mg daily x 5 days, then 10 mg daily x 5 days (similar to DEXA-ARDS)
 - Decreased rate of clinical worsening (16.4% vs 31.4%) with high-dose but no change in time to recovery or 28-day mortality.

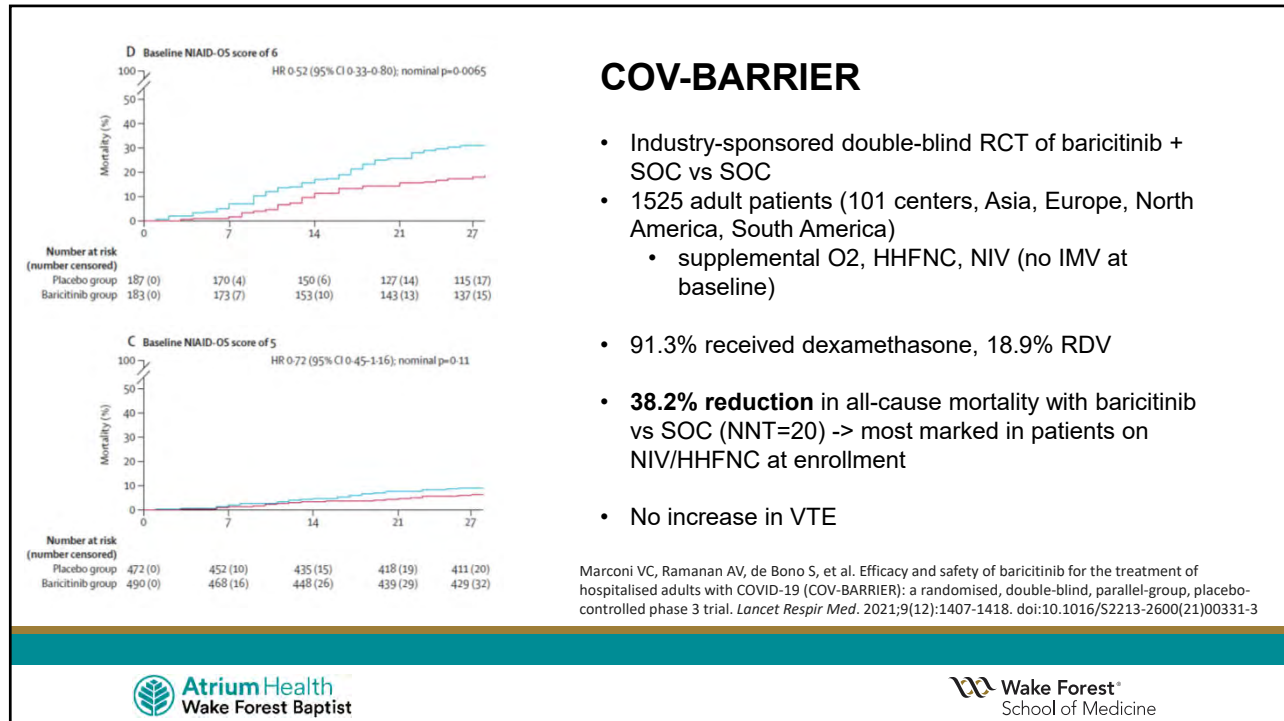
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Baricitinib

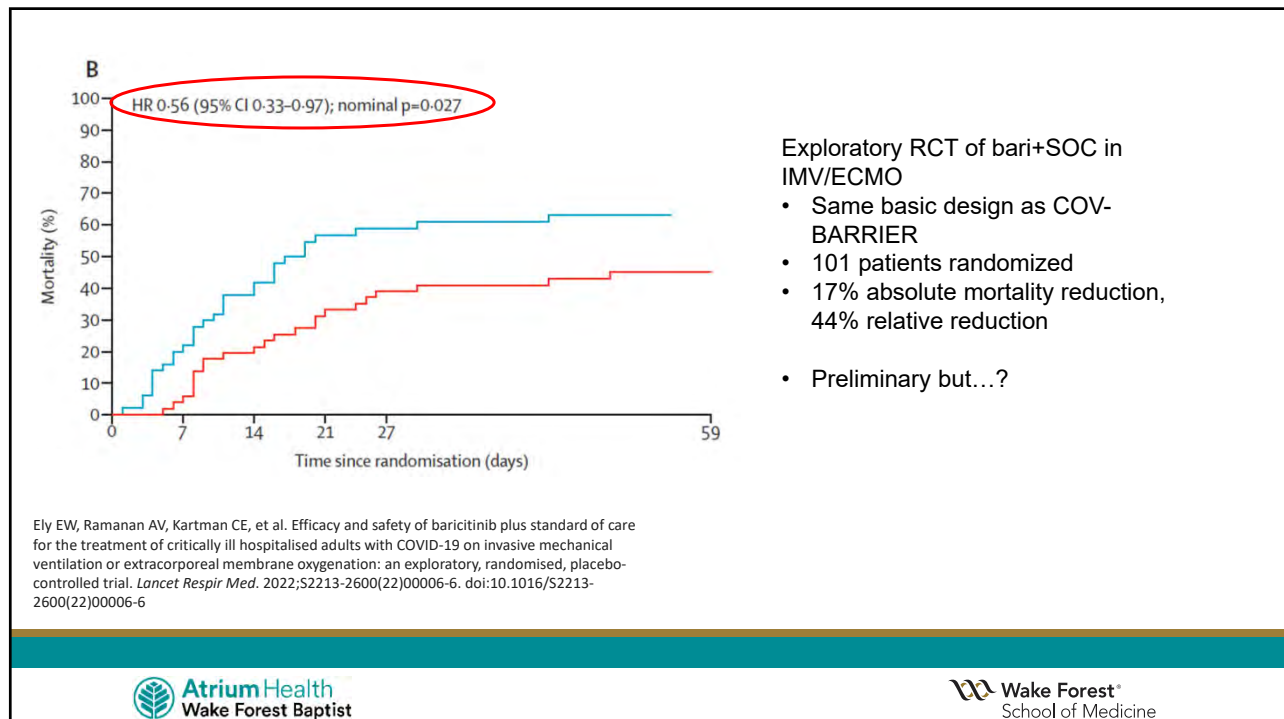
- Janus kinase inhibitor
- Compared with placebo (plus RDV) in ACTT-2 – small benefit seen in time to recovery, most marked in HHFNC/NIV.
- Comparable to dexamethasone in ACTT-4 but no real advantage seen
- Possible alternative to dexamethasone but lacking combination data until recently.

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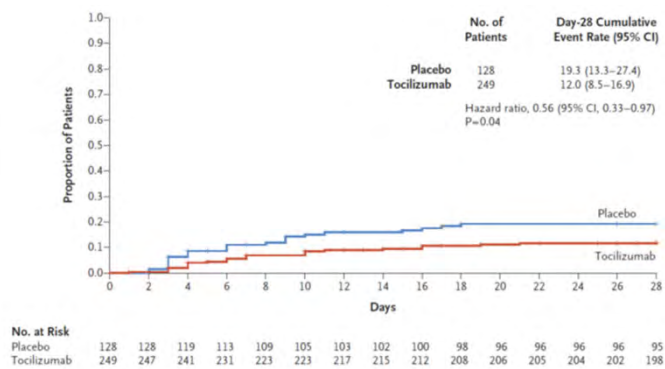
IL-6 antagonists

- IL-6 antagonists: **Tocilizumab** and **sarilumab**
- HLH- or CRS-like syndrome with elevated IL-6, ferritin levels identified in subset of critically-ill COVID-19 patients.
 - Widely used early in pandemic based on HLH/CRS experience and anecdotal reports of benefit.
- Two manufacturer-sponsored phase 3 RCTs (Roche, Regeneron) of both agents terminated due to lack of benefit in critically-ill patients.

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Tocilizumab in Patients Hospitalized with Covid-19 Pneumonia

- EMPACTA trial
- Multinational RCT of 389 hospitalized patients (2:1 allocation).
- Composite endpoint:
 - 28-day mortality
 - Progression to mechanical ventilation
- Improvement in composite endpoint (12.0% vs 19.3%) in treatment arm but **no improvement in 28-day mortality** (10.4% vs 8.6%).



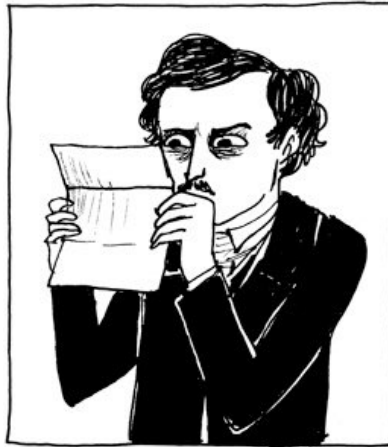
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Effect of tocilizumab on clinical outcomes at 15 days in patients with severe or critical coronavirus disease 2019: randomised controlled trial

- Open-label RCT in Brazil.
- Composite endpoint:
 - 15-day mortality
 - Progression to mechanical ventilation
- Terminated early due to increased mortality in treatment arm.

Outcomes	Tocilizumab group (n=65)	Control group (n=64)
Primary endpoint		
Receiving mechanical ventilation or died at day 15*	18 (28)	13 (20)
Clinical status (7 level ordinal scale) at day 15:		
1: Not admitted to hospital, no limitation on activities	32 (49)	26 (41)
2: Not admitted to hospital, limitation on activities	3 (5)	5 (8)
3: Admitted to hospital, not receiving supplemental oxygen	6 (9)	6 (9)
4: Admitted to hospital, receiving supplemental oxygen	6 (9)	10 (16)
5: Admitted to hospital, receiving non-invasive ventilation or high flow oxygen through nasal cannula	0 (0)	4 (6)
6: Admitted to hospital, receiving mechanical ventilation	7 (11)	11 (17)
7: Death	11 (17)	2 (3)
Secondary endpoints		
Mortality up to 28 days	14 (21)	6 (9)
In-hospital mortality	14 (21)	6 (9)

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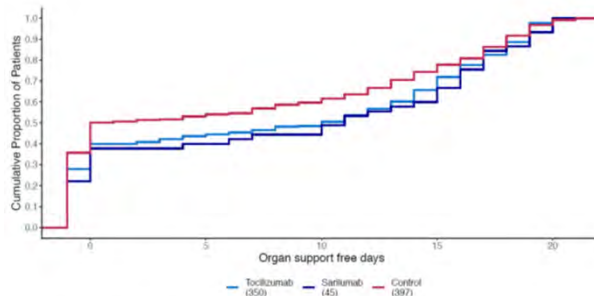
Kate Beaton, <http://www.harkavagrant.com>

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Interleukin-6 Receptor Antagonists in Critically Ill Patients with Covid-19 – Preliminary report

The REMAP-CAP Investigators

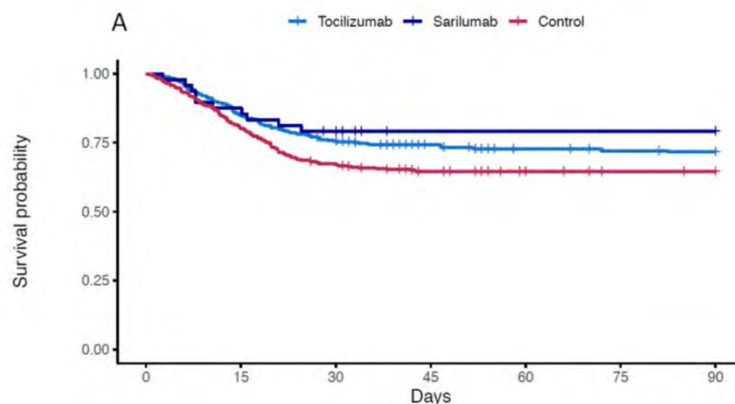
- Immune modulation arm of a large, adaptive open-label RCT.
- 895 patients with critical illness due to Covid-19, randomized to IL-6 inhibitor (mostly tocilizumab) vs placebo.
- Organ support-free days up to day 21 (more is better).



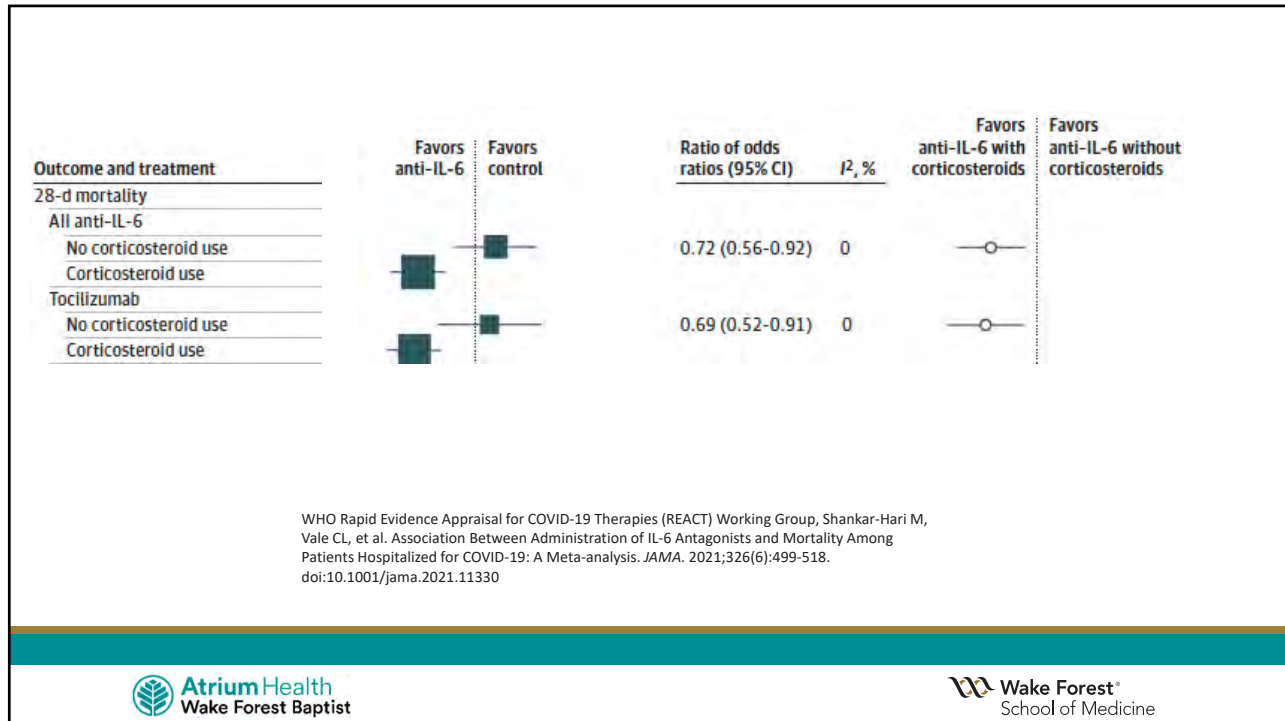
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Interleukin-6 Receptor Antagonists in Critically Ill Patients with Covid-19 – Preliminary report

- No major change in days free of organ support BUT **decrease in mortality**
 - **28.0%** (98/350) for tocilizumab
 - **35.8%** (142/397) for control



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Sotrovimab

Table 2. Efficacy Outcomes through Day 29 (Intention-to-Treat Population).^a

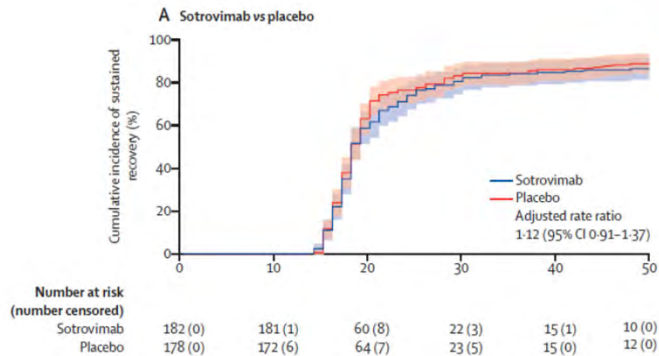
Outcome	Sotrovimab (N = 291)	Placebo (N = 292)
Primary outcome		
Hospitalization for >24 hr for any cause or death from any cause — no. (%)	3 (1)	21 (7)
Hospitalization for >24 hr for any cause	3 (1)	21 (7)
Death from any cause	0	1 (<1)†
Alive and not hospitalized — no. (%)	284 (98)	270 (92)

Gupta A, Gonzalez-Rojas Y, Juarez E, et al. Early Treatment for Covid-19 with SARS-CoV-2 Neutralizing Antibody Sotrovimab. *N Engl J Med*. 2021;385(21):1941-1950. doi:10.1056/NEJMoa2107934

- Monoclonal antibody
- Derived from patient who recovered from original recipe SARS!
- Active against Omicron
- **85% reduction in risk of hospitalization (p=0.002).**

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Sotrovimab



Self WH et al, Lancet Infect Dis 2021
[https://doi.org/10.1016/S1473-3099\(21\)00751-9](https://doi.org/10.1016/S1473-3099(21)00751-9)

- Monoclonal antibody
- Derived from patient who recovered from original recipe SARS!
- **Ineffective in hospitalized patients (ACTIV-3/TICO trials)**

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Immunomodulators – a proposed summary

- Dexamethasone 6 mg daily is the cornerstone of care for severe COVID-19.
- In patients who are decompensating (i.e., progressing to NIV/HHFNC/IMV):
 - Add baricitinib 4 mg PO daily **OR**
 - Add tocilizumab **OR**
 - Increase dexamethasone to 12 mg daily
- Sotrovimab is an excellent outpatient therapy (for now) but not useful in inpatients at current doses.

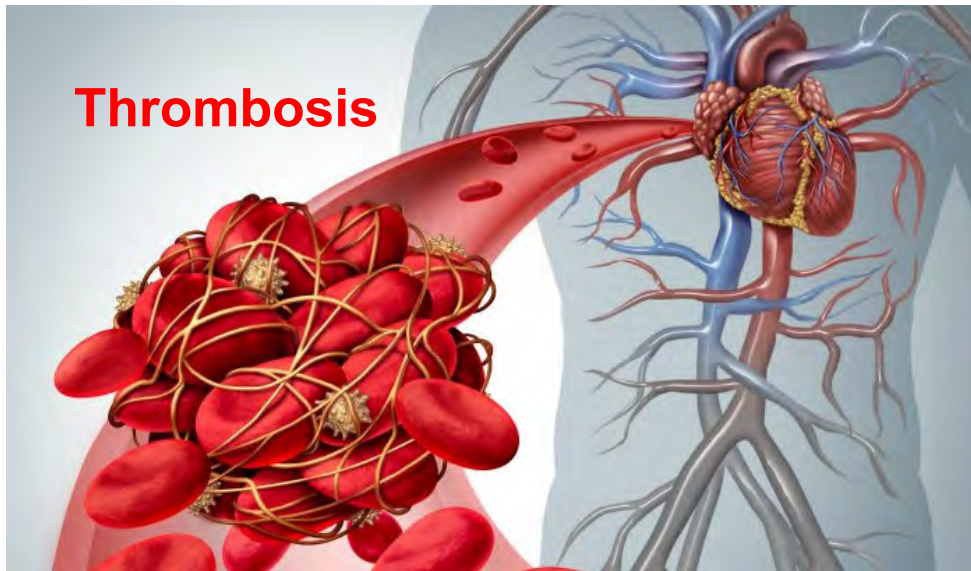
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Immunomodulators – a proposed summary

- Baricitinib
 - Contraindications: ALC <200, ANC <500, CrCl <30, active or recent VTE
 - Advantages: 14 days of baricitinib is ½ the cost of one dose of toci.
- Tocilizumab
 - Contraindications: active secondary infection
 - Advantages: more robust data in intubated patients
- Dexamethasone 12+ mg
 - Contraindications: none that I can think of.
 - Advantages: less compelling data but certainly safe and inexpensive

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Thrombosis



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COVID-19, thrombosis, and VTE

- Increased risk of VTE, PE, cardiovascular events well-documented early in pandemic.
- Highly variable strategies for anticoagulation:
 - Standard VTE prophylaxis (e.g., enoxaparin 40 mg SC daily)
 - “Enhanced” prophylaxis (e.g., enoxaparin 0.5 mg/kg SC bid)
 - Full anticoagulation empirically for all hypoxemic or intubated patients.
- **Retrospective series with highly variable results.**

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COVID-19, thrombosis, and VTE

- **17.0% pooled incidence for VTE**
 - 12.1% DVT, 7.1% PE
 - Higher with screening (33.1% vs 9.8% by clinical diagnosis)
 - Higher in the ICU (27.9% vs 7.1% in the ward)
 - Higher in prospective studies (25.5% vs 12.4% in retrospective studies)

Jiménez D, García-Sánchez A, Rali P, et al. *Chest* 2021;159(3):1182-1196

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Anticoagulation

REMAP-CAP, ACTIV-4a, ATTACC (NEJM 2021)

- Platform trials looking at anticoagulation strategies for hospitalized patients with COVID-19.

Outcome	Therapeutic-Dose Anticoagulation (N = 536)	Usual-Care Thromboprophylaxis (N = 567)
	median no. (IQR)	
Organ support-free days up to day 21†‡	1 (-1 to 16)	4 (-1 to 16)
	no. of patients/total no. (%)	
Survival to hospital discharge‡	335/534 (62.7)	364/564 (64.5)
Major thrombotic events or death§	213/531 (40.1)	230/560 (41.1)
Major thrombotic events¶	34/530 (6.4)	58/559 (10.4)
Death in hospital	199/534 (37.3)	200/564 (35.5)
Any thrombotic events or death§	217/531 (40.9)	232/560 (41.4)
Any thrombotic events	38/530 (7.2)	62/559 (11.1)
Death in hospital	199/534 (37.3)	200/564 (35.5)
Major bleeding§	20/529 (3.8)	13/562 (2.3)

ICU patients –
No benefit to empiric **full** anticoagulation

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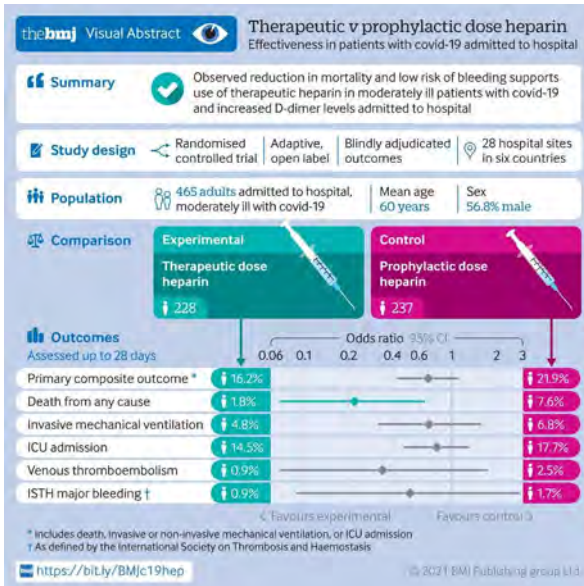
Outcome	Therapeutic-Dose Anticoagulation	Usual-Care Thromboprophylaxis
	no. of patients/total no. (%)	
Survival until hospital discharge	1085/1171 (92.7)	962/1048 (91.8)
Survival without organ support at 28 days†	932/1175 (79.3)	789/1046 (75.4)
Progression to intubation or death**	129/1181 (10.9)	127/1050 (12.1)
Major thrombotic event or death	94/1180 (8.0)	104/1046 (9.9)
Major thrombotic event	13/1180 (1.1)	22/1046 (2.1)
Death in hospital	86/1180 (7.3)	86/1046 (8.2)
Major bleeding	22/1180 (1.9)	9/1047 (0.9)

Non-ICU patients-
High NNT but significant reduction in need for organ support and death with empiric full anticoagulation

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- **RAPID trial**
 - 28 hospitals in Brazil, Canada, Ireland, Saudi Arabia, UAE, USA
 - 465 adults admitted to wards with COVID-19
 - Randomized to therapeutic vs prophylactic heparin/LMWH
 - Improvement in all major endpoints with therapeutic heparin/LMWH.
 - **Mortality: 1.8% vs 7.6% - only significant endpoint**
 - IMV 4.8% vs 6.8%
 - Bleeding 0.9% vs 1.7% (nonsignificant but weird)

Sholzberg M, Tang G H, Rahhal H, et al. Effectiveness of therapeutic heparin versus prophylactic heparin on death, mechanical ventilation, or intensive care unit admission in moderately ill patients with covid-19 admitted to hospital: RAPID randomised clinical trial. *BMJ* 2021; 375 :n2400
doi:10.1136/bmj.n2400

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Table 2. Clinical Outcomes During the 30-Day Postrandomization Phase

Outcome	No./total No. (%)		RR (95% CI)	P value ^a
	Therapeutic dose (n = 129)	Standard dose (n = 124)		
Primary efficacy outcome				
VTE, ATE, or death	37/129 (28.7)	52/124 (41.9)	0.68 (0.49-0.96)	.03
Non-ICU stratum	14/84 (16.7)	31/86 (36.1)	0.46 (0.27-0.81)	.004
ICU stratum	23/45 (51.1)	21/38 (55.3)	0.92 (0.62-1.39)	.71
VTE + ATE	14/129 (10.9)	36/124 (29.0)	0.37 (0.21-0.66)	<.001
Death	25/129 (19.4)	31/124 (25.0)	0.78 (0.49-1.23)	.28

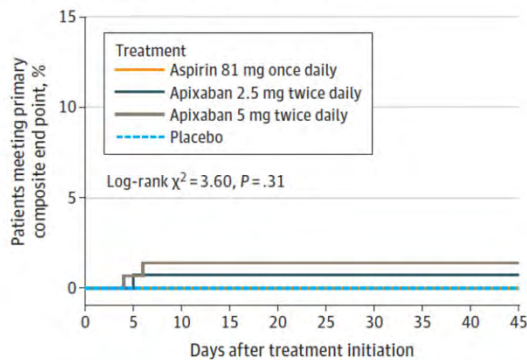
• HEP-COVID trial

- 12 hospitals in USA
- 253 adults admitted to hospital with COVID-19
- Randomized to therapeutic vs prophylactic heparin/LMWH
- Improvement in all major endpoints with therapeutic heparin/LMWH in ward patients.
 - **Mortality: 19.4% vs 25.0%**
 - VTE+ATE 10.9% vs 29.0%
 - Benefit not seen in ICU patients



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A Cumulative incidence of adjudicated primary end point



ACTIV-4B

- RCT of antithrombotic/antiplatelet therapy in symptomatic outpatients
- Target enrollment: 7000
- Stopped at 657 due to futility
- 80% White, 38% Latino ethnicity, 60% female, median 54 yrs
- 35% HTN, 28% DM, 20% smokers
- No difference between individual or composite endpoints:

- Cardiopulmonary hospitalizations
- Deep vein thrombosis or pulmonary embolism
- Myocardial infarction, stroke or other arterial embolism
- Death



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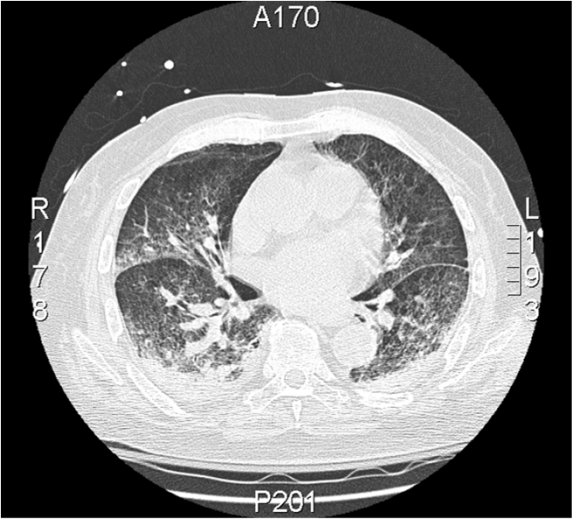
Updated CHEST VTE Guidelines

Recommendation 1: In acutely ill hospitalized patients with COVID-19 who have low risk of bleeding, with consideration for the remarks below, we suggest therapeutic dose heparin (UFH or LMWH) over current standard dose anticoagulant thromboprophylaxis (conditional recommendation, ungraded consensus-based statement).

Recommendation 3: In critically ill patients with COVID-19, we suggest current standard dose anticoagulant thromboprophylaxis (with UFH or LMWH) over therapeutic dose anticoagulation (conditional recommendation, ungraded consensus-based statement).

Moores LK, Tritschler T, Brosnahan S, et al. Thromboprophylaxis in Patients with COVID-19. A Brief Update to the CHEST Guideline and Expert Panel Report [published online ahead of print, 2022 Feb 12]. *Chest*. 2022;S0012-3692(22)00250-1. doi:10.1016/j.chest.2022.02.006

But what about...?



86 y/o man presenting to ED for evaluation of progressive weakness and cough.

Recently hospitalized for evaluation of chest pain – nonexertional, pleuritic, cardiac evaluation negative.


Family reports decline in functional status over week prior to admission, accompanied by scant hemoptysis, chills, and arthralgias.


Not vaccinated against SARS-CoV-2.

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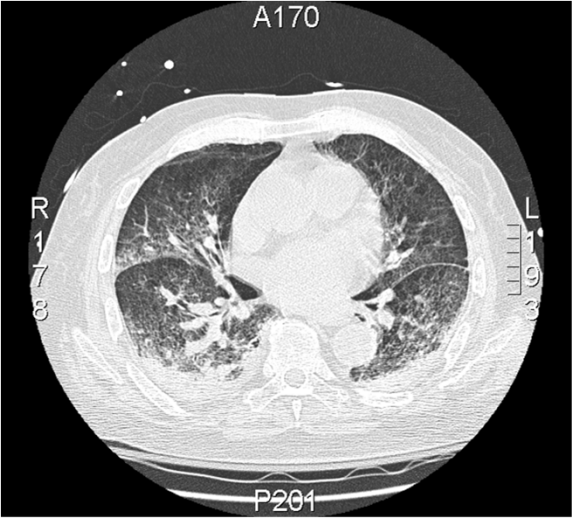
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Sputum obtained for analysis.

Ivermectin initiated **because he had disseminated strongyloidiasis**





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JAMA Internal Medicine | Original Investigation

Efficacy of Ivermectin Treatment on Disease Progression Among Adults With Mild to Moderate COVID-19 and Comorbidities

The I-TECH Randomized Clinical Trial

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CONCLUSIONS AND RELEVANCE In this randomized clinical trial of high-risk patients with mild to moderate COVID-19, ivermectin treatment during early illness did not prevent progression to severe disease. The study findings do not support the use of ivermectin for patients with COVID-19.

JAMA | Original Investigation

Effect of Ivermectin on Time to Resolution of Symptoms Among Adults With Mild COVID-19

A Randomized Clinical Trial

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CONCLUSION AND RELEVANCE Among adults with mild COVID-19, a 5-day course of ivermectin, compared with placebo, did not significantly improve the time to resolution of symptoms. The findings do not support the use of ivermectin for treatment of mild COVID-19, although larger trials may be needed to understand the effects of ivermectin on other clinically relevant outcomes.



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A possible path forwards

- **Outpatients without hypoxemia:**
 - Supportive care only for low-risk patients
 - Preferred options for high-risk: sotrovimab versus Paxlovid
 - Second line options for high risk: outpatient RDV versus molnupiravir
- **Patients with hypoxemia on low-flow supplemental O₂**
 - Therapeutic-dose LMWH or UFH
 - Remdesivir x 5 days (or until discharge)
 - Dexamethasone 6 mg daily x 10 days (or until discharge)



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A possible path forwards

- **Patients requiring HHFNC/NIV**
 - Prophylactic-dose LMWH or UFH
 - Dexamethasone 6 mg daily **plus:**
 1. Baricitinib
 2. Tocilizumab
 3. High-dose dex
 - +/- Remdesivir for 5-10 days

- **Patients requiring IMV/ECMO**
 - Prophylactic-dose LMWH or UFH
 - Dexamethasone 6 mg daily **plus:**
 1. Tocilizumab
 2. Baricitinib
 3. High-dose dex
 - Maybe remdesivir if significantly immunocompromised



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Thank you again for the opportunity to speak to you all today.

Stay safe.

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Unconventional and Advanced Modes of Ventilation and Proning

9:05 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.

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Newer Tools to Measure Pulmonary Mechanics and Use of Prone Positioning

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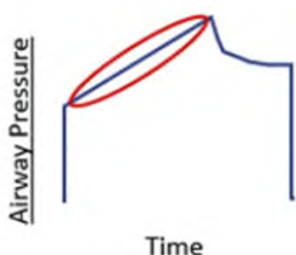
No perceived COI



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$$V_t = V_i \times e^{-t/T}$$

$C_{rs} = \Delta V / \Delta P = V_T / (\text{Plateau Pressure (Pplat)} - \text{PEEP})$



$$\Delta P = E_{RS} \times V_T = V_T / C_{STAT} = P_{PLAT} - PEEP_{TOT}$$

$$R_I = (PIP - P_{plat}) / \dot{V}_I$$

$$P_{AW(t)} = P_0 + E(V)_{(t)} + R(\dot{V})_{(t)}$$

$$R_E = (P_{plat} - PEEP) / \dot{V}_{EXH}$$

$$1/C_{rs} = 1/C_{lung} + 1/C_{chest\ wall}$$

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Pulmonary Mechanics and Prone Positioning

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Advanced Respiratory Mechanics – Why?

- The understanding of a patient's pulmonary mechanics is a necessary piece of the assessment of a patient on mechanical ventilation.
 - Provide effective gas exchange
 - Maintain alveolar recruitment
 - Reduce VILI
 - Ensure hemodynamic stability

- Advanced Respiratory Mechanics
 - PV Tool
 - Esophageal Manometry
 - Electronic Impedance Tomography (EIT)

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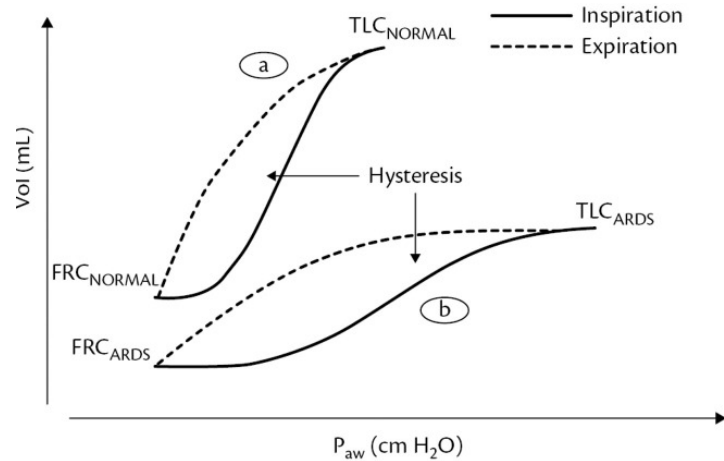
Pulmonary Mechanics and Prone Positioning

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PV Loops and ARDS

The inflation and deflation limbs of the PV loop will demonstrate a change in slope, meaning respiratory compliance varies at different levels of pressure.



Gattinoni et al. (2006)

Pressure-volume curve (P/V) and its hysteresis. (a) P/V curve from a normal patient. (b) P/V curve from a patient with ARDS. (In: Cordioli, R and Brochard, L, Respiratory system compliance and resistance in the critically ill, Oxford Textbook of Critical Care, ISBN: 9780198855439.)

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Protective Ventilation (P/V) Tool

- Quasi-static P-V loop can assess the potential for recruitment and predict whether a recruitment maneuver can be effective.
 - The lower inflection point of the inflation pressure/volume curve
 - The linear compliance of the inflation pressure/volume curve
 - The hysteresis



Gertler (2021)

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Esophageal Manometry

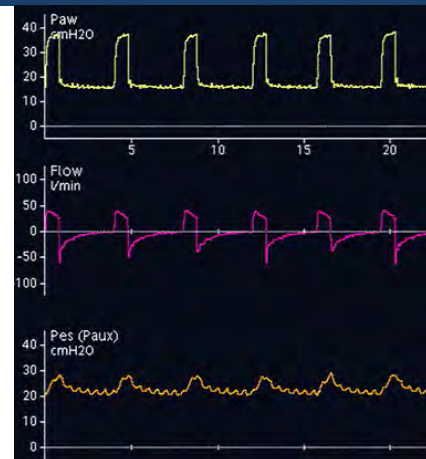
- PEEP must be individually determined for each patient.
 - Basic PEEP trial methods involve monitoring compliance, PIP, and P_{plat}
- Transpulmonary pressure (P_{TP}) is the difference between the pressure inside the alveoli and the pressure surround the lung.
 - $P_{TP} = P_{alv} - P_{pl}$
- Pleural pressure is estimated by measuring the pressure in the lower third of the esophagus using an esophageal balloon catheter
 - Elevated in ARDS, obesity, increased intraabdominal pressure
- The use of P_{TP} supports titration of pressures based on actual pressure.
 - To allow optimal recruitment, PEEP could be increased until P_{TP} becomes positive and end-expiration.

Piraino et al. (2011)
Yoshida et al. (2018)

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Esophageal Manometry

- $P_{TP} = P_{alv} - P_{pl}$
- Esophageal pressure can be used as an estimate of mean pleural pressure.
- Technical aspects of this measurement are important
 - Characteristics of the manometer
 - Placement position
 - Balloon inflating volume
 - Data interpretation



Gertler (2021)
Yoshida et al. (2018)

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Electrical Impedance Tomography (EIT)

- Breath-by-breath dynamic imaging of regional ventilation distribution through measuring impedance changes across lung regions.
- Can detect changes in lung impedance associated with recruitment maneuvers and incremental or decremental PEEP trials.
 - Non-invasive and radiation-free imaging
 - 16 to 32 leads
- In patients with ARDS, EIT-guided PEEP titration has been associated with improved oxygenation, compliance, driving pressure, and weaning success rates.

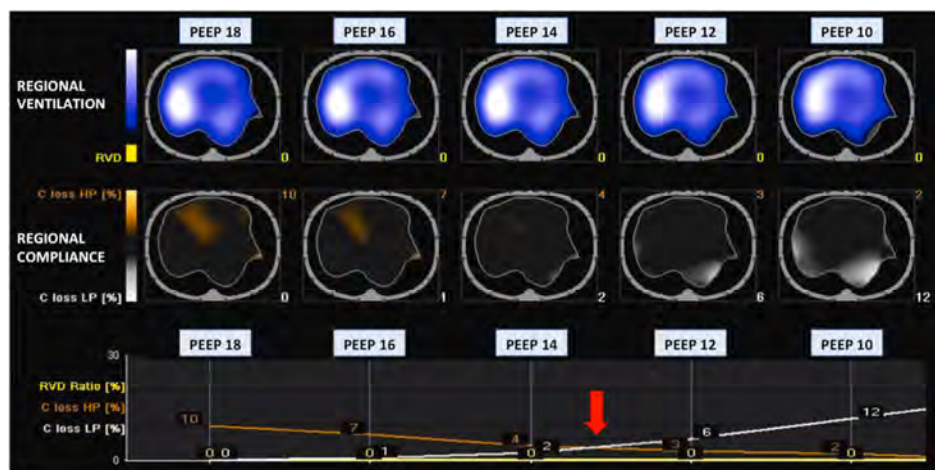


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EIT




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Prone Positioning





Pulmonary Mechanics and Prone Positioning

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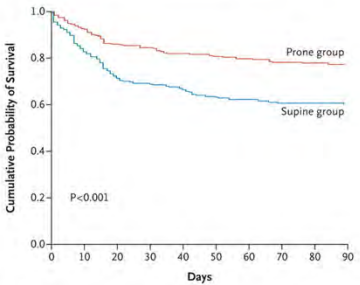


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Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews

Prone position for acute respiratory failure in adults (Review)

Bloomfield R, Noble DW, Sudlow A



No. at Risk	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90
Prone group	237	202	191	186	182					
Supine group	229	163	150	139	136					



Pulmonary Mechanics and Prone Positioning

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Prone Positioning

- Awake prone positioning appears to be a safe and tolerable intervention for non-intubated patients with hypoxemic respiratory failure attributable to ARDS or COVID-19.
- Prone positioning in non-intubated, spontaneously breathing patients' effectiveness in improving oxygenation and reducing intubation rate and mortality, and its tolerability, timing, and optimal duration are unclear.
- Potential benefits include improved oxygenation and mortality rate, but no significant effects on incidence of intubation or critical care admission were found in one systematic review.
- Future research with well-designed trials are needed to explore the subject more rigorously and to confirm clinical effectiveness.

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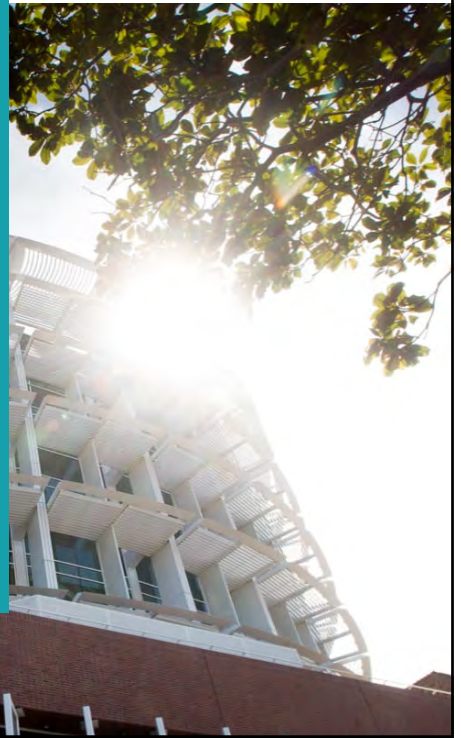
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Unconventional and Advanced Modes of Ventilation

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Basic Principles

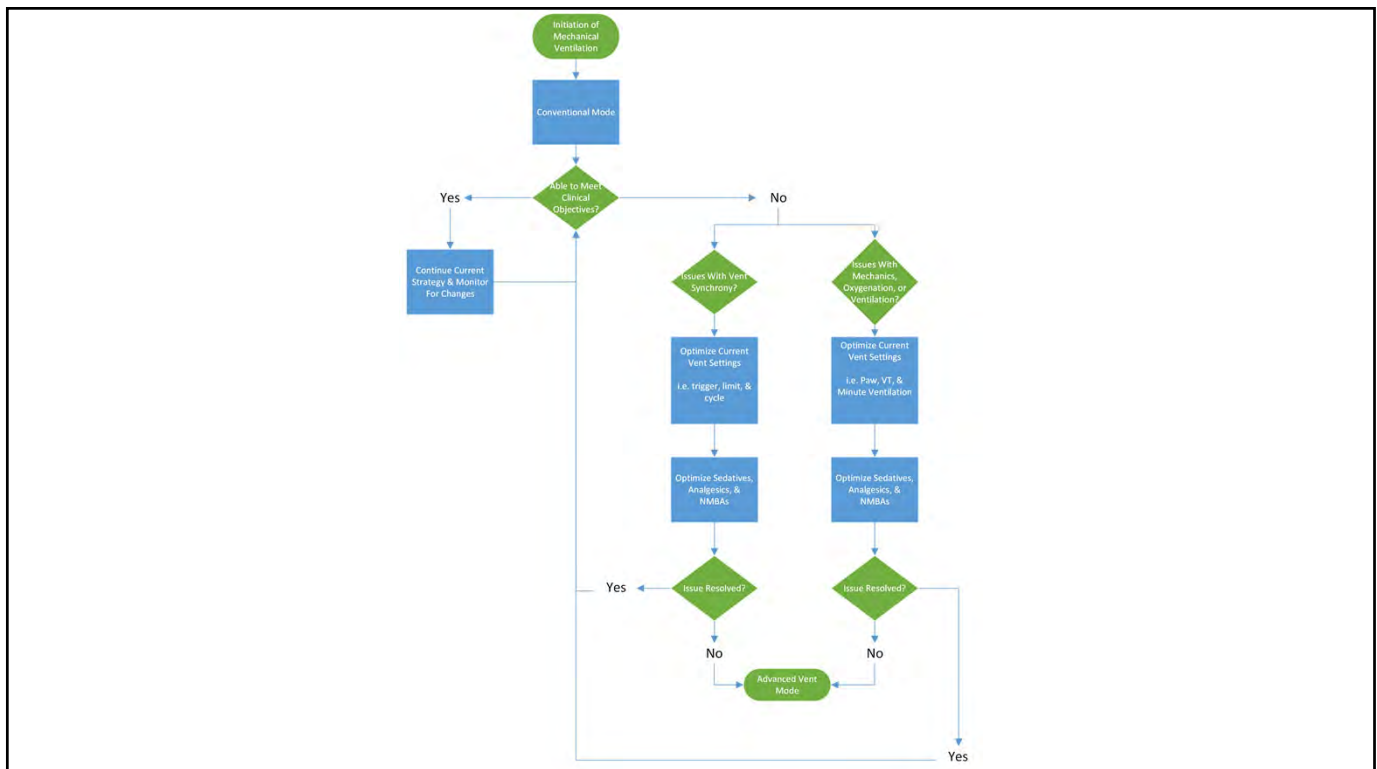
Goals of Mechanical Ventilation

- Guarantee of the adequacy of gas exchange (oxygenation, ventilation/acid-base balance)
 - Minute Ventilation ($V_T \times RR$)
 - PEEP (preserve or re-establish FRC which is the “alveolar volume” and therefore primary determinant of arterial oxygenation)
 - F_iO_2
- Fully or partially support the power of breathing
 - Power of Breathing: $Work/min = Work/L \times V_E (L/min)$
 - Determinants: R_{aw} and C_{RS} and V_E demand

Why Differentiate From the “Standard”

- New shiny toy
- New approach to clinical goals
- Better optimization of mechanical support
- Rescue

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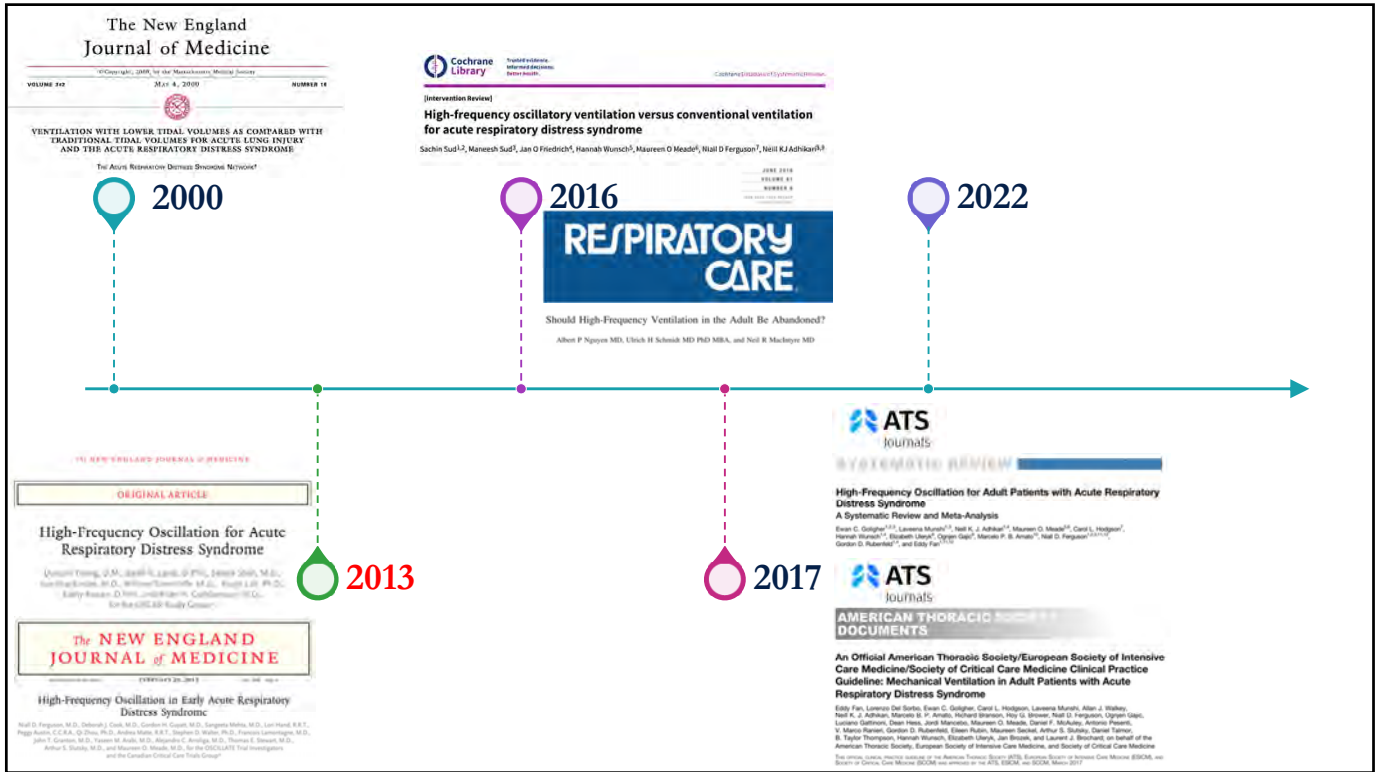
Common Alternatives

Caveats to implementation

- Outcome data
- Standardization
- Clinician familiarity
- Operational limitations


Common Alternatives

- Non-Conventional
 - HFOV
 - HFPV
 - HFJV
- Advanced Modes
 - PAV
 - NAVA
 - APRV
 - ASV, Automode, SmartCare, etc.




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High Frequency _____ Ventilation



HFPV
VDR-4 Percussionaire



HFOV
3100B Vyaire

10 Unconventional and Advanced Modes of Ventilation UCSF

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High Frequency Percussive Ventilation

Volumetric Diffusive Respirator (VDR-4)

- High-frequency flow (flow regulated), pressure-limited, time-cycled, low-frequency VT (similar to VT in CMV)
- Low-frequency VT & High-frequency VT not measured
- Larger ETT diameters, changes in i:e, or reduced HF rate can increase HF VT
 - VT likely to exponentially decrease with increases to frequency

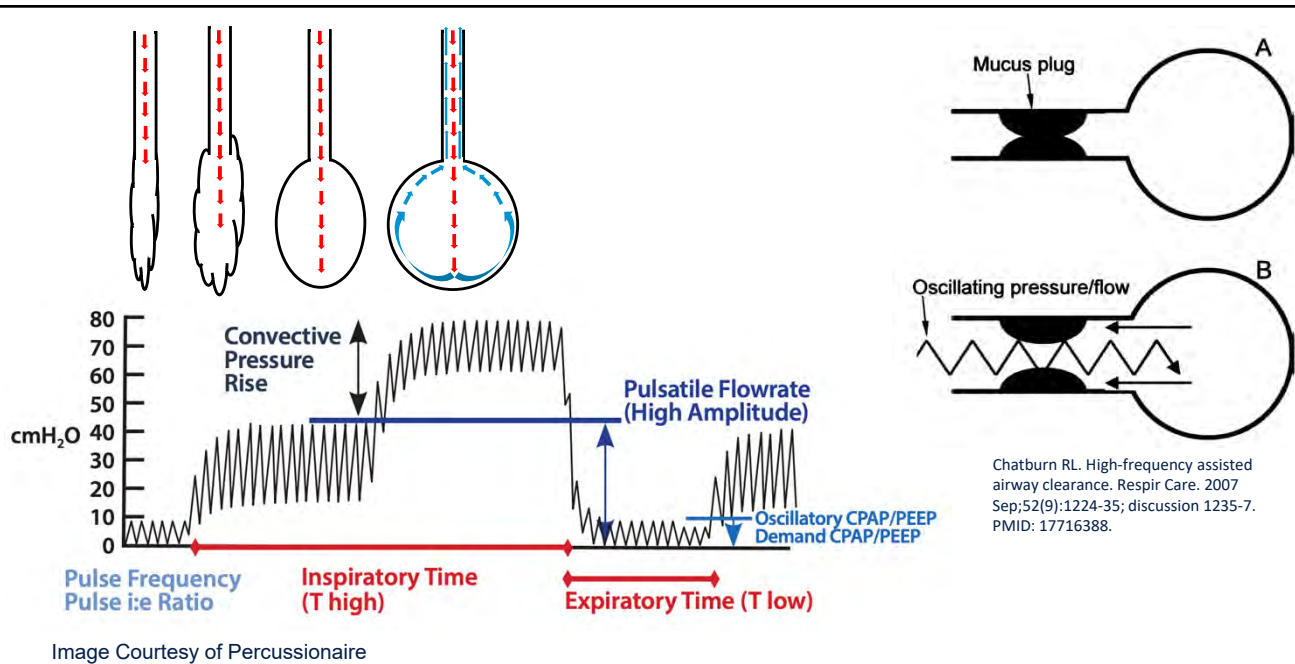


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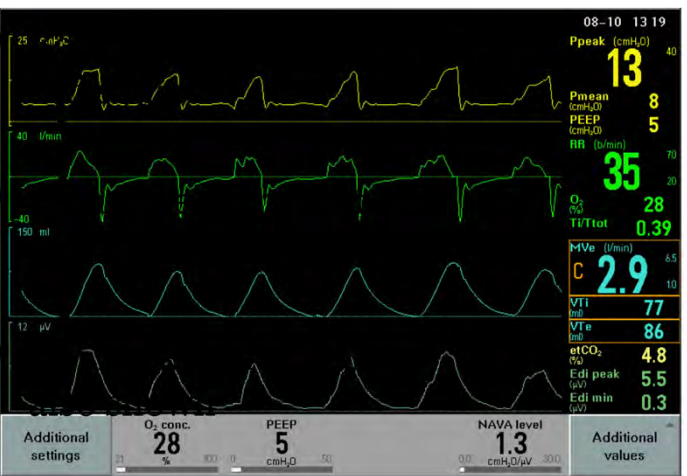
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Proportional Modes

PAV and NAVA

- Ventilator asynchrony is common and can require frequent interventions by the clinician
- Respond to changes in ventilatory demand
- Balance of unloading WOB and relinquishing control of ventilation to the patient
- Limited outcome data but in theory, if the patient is appropriate for PSV then proportional modes may be a reasonable alternative

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Proportional Assist Ventilation (PAV)

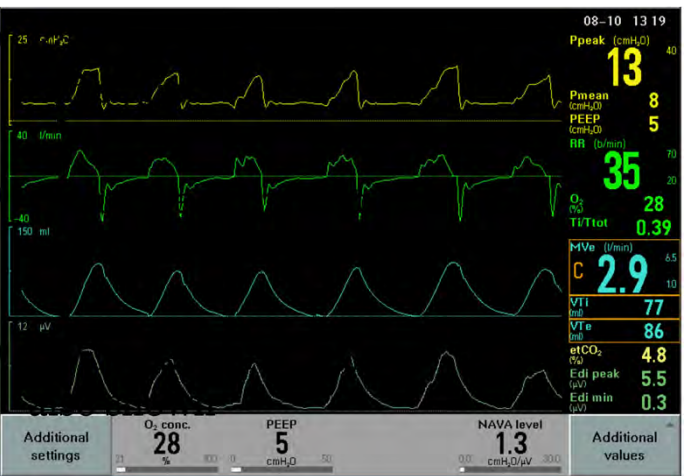
Neurally Adjusted Ventilatory Assist (NAVA)

$$P_{total} = P_{mus} + P_{vent} = (VT \times Elastance) + (Flow \times Raw)$$

$$P_{peak} = NAVA \text{ level} \times (Edi \text{ peak} - Edi \text{ min}) + PEEP$$

Estimated R + E to calculate P_{total}

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Proportional Assist Ventilation (PAV)

Neurally Adjusted Ventilatory Assist (NAVA)

Percentage of total WOB

Swap equation of motion for electrical activity (diaphragm, cm H₂O/millivolt)

i.e. 70/30 = 70% of P_{total} by vent

Increased vent response

Trigger = Edi

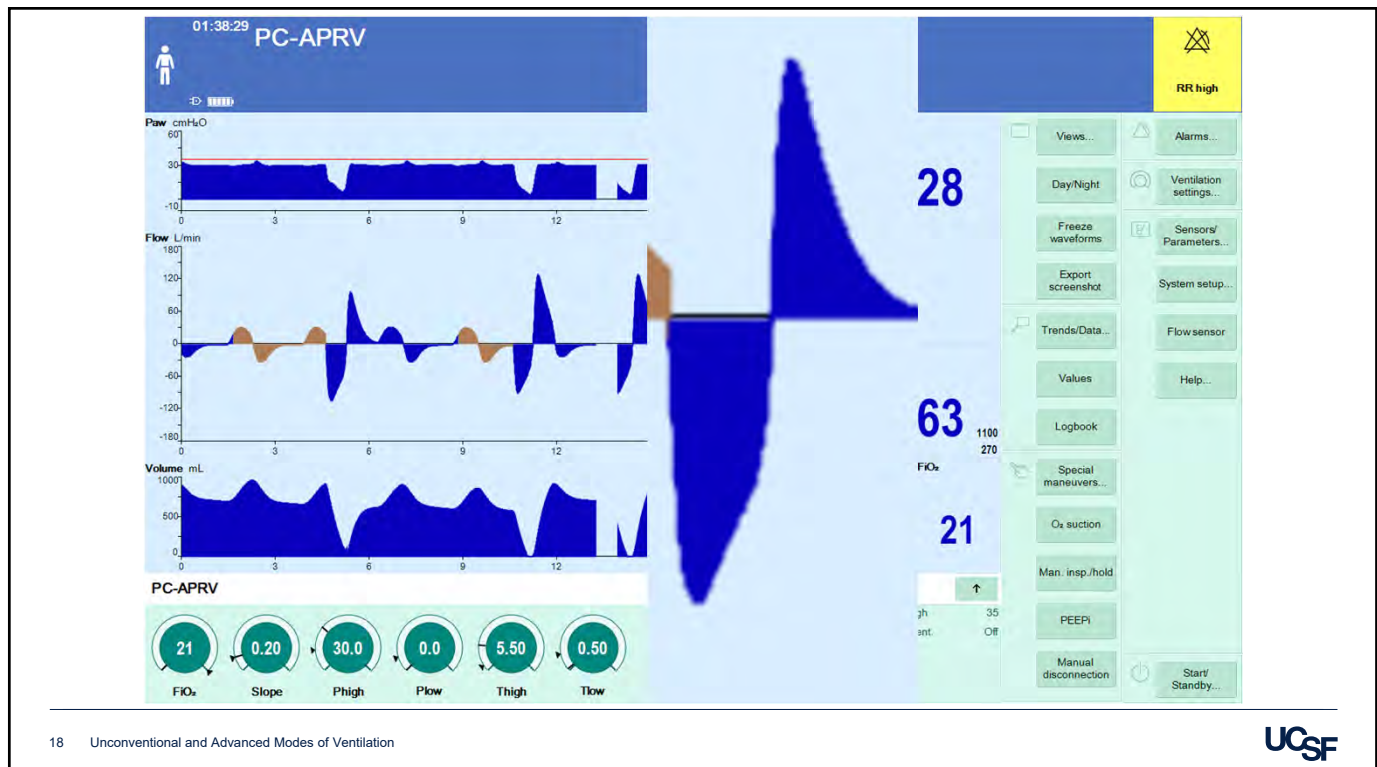
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Airway Pressure Release Ventilation

APRV

- Inverse Ratio, Pressure Controlled, Intermittent Mandatory Ventilation **WITH** Unrestricted Spontaneous Breathing
- Open Lung Ventilation
- Often regarded as rescue therapy for life-threatening hypoxia in ARDS
- Attractive alternative to conventional or “traditional” modes of ventilation due
 - Preservation of spontaneous breathing
 - Reduction of sedatives, analgesics, and NMBA's
 - Hemodynamically advantageous

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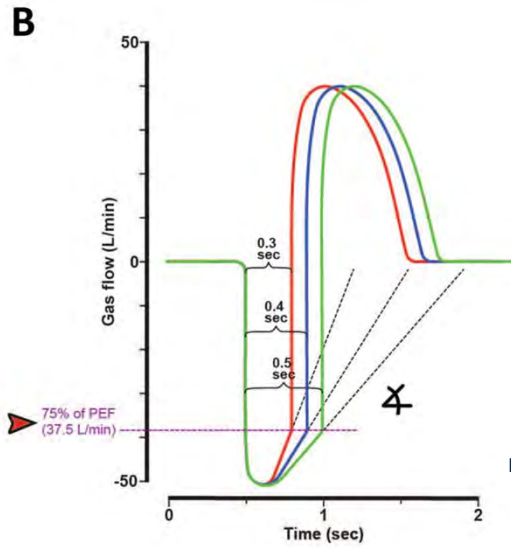
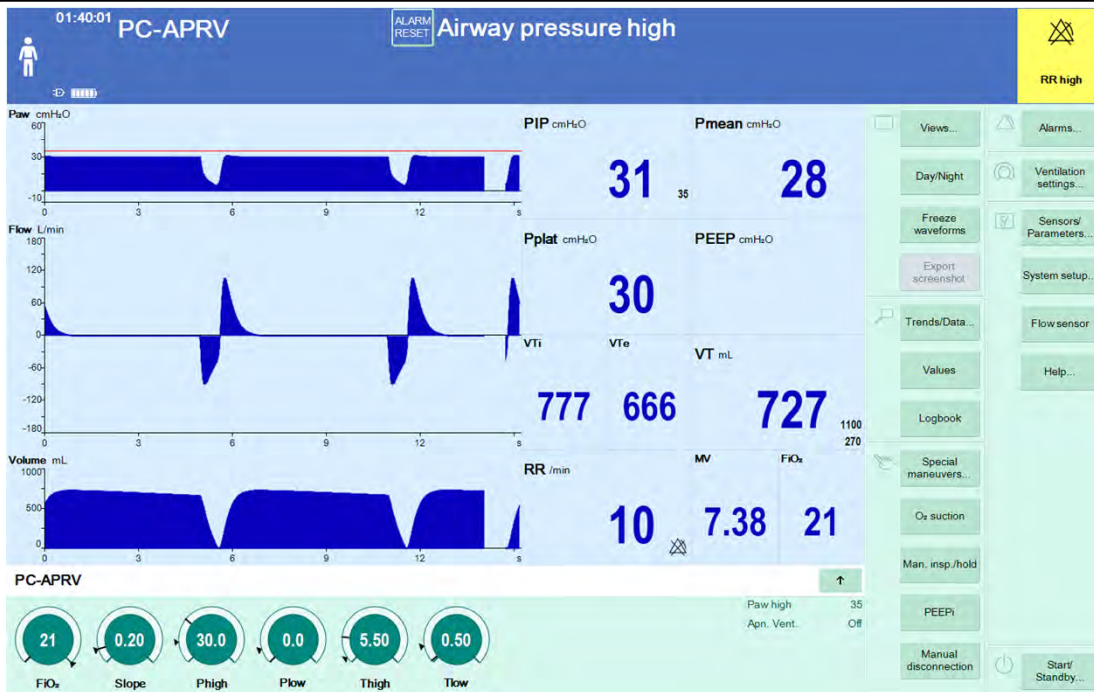
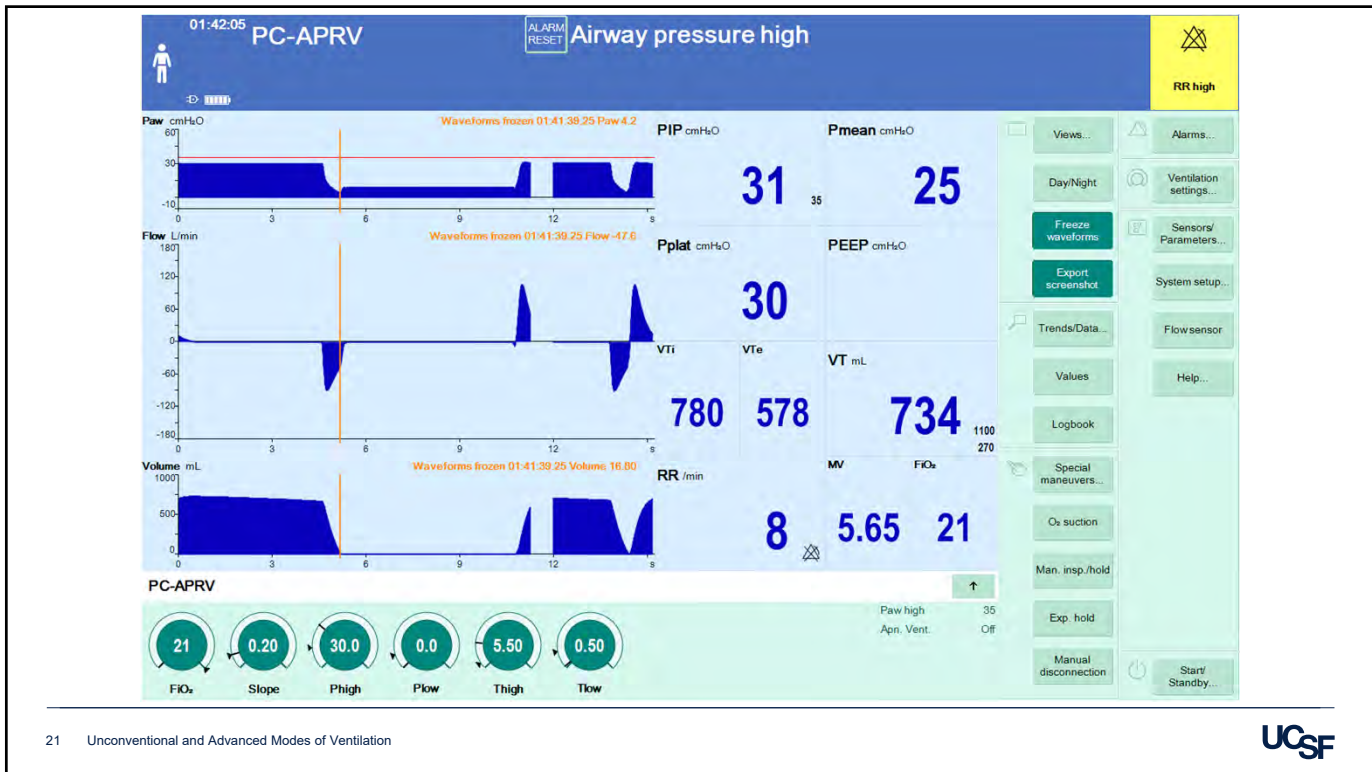


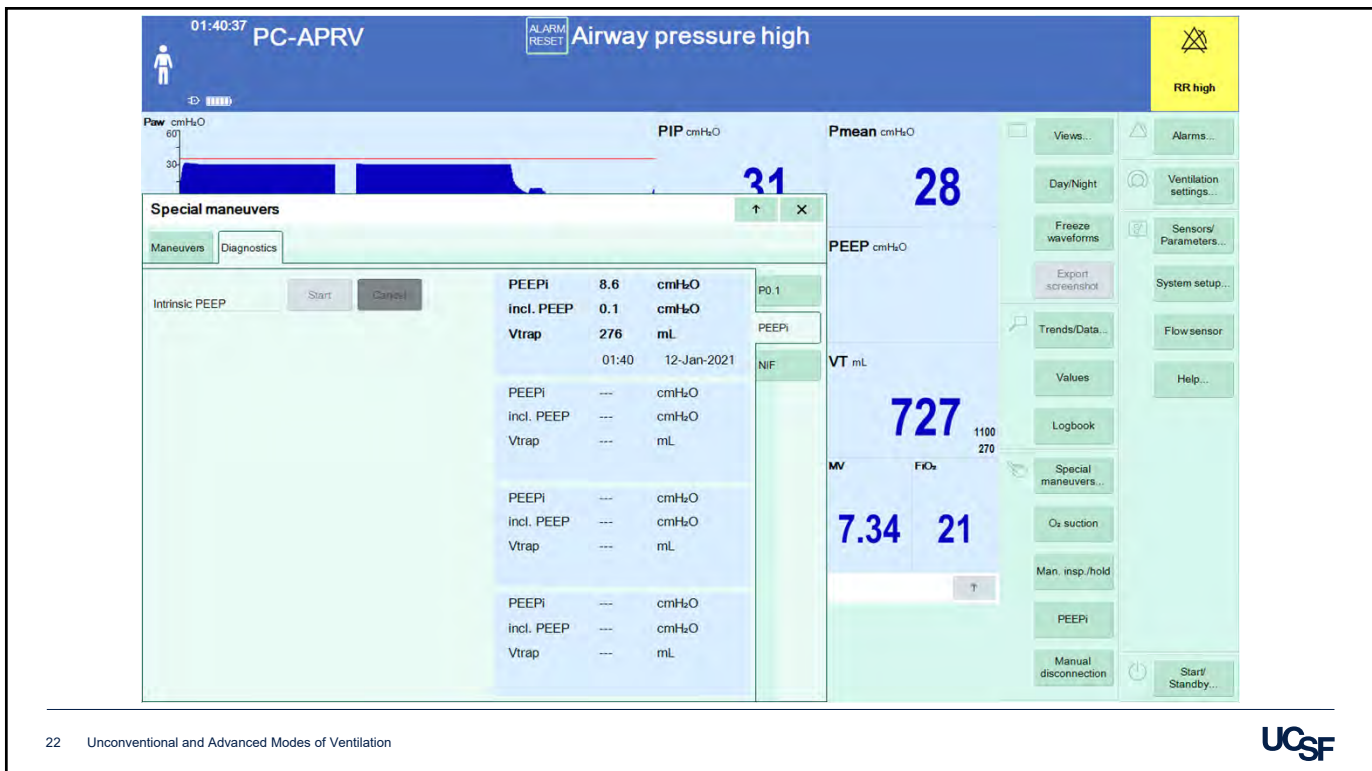
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STEP 1: $37.5 \text{ L/MIN PEAK EXPIRATORY FLOW} \times 0.75 = 28.1 \text{ L/MIN TERMINAL FLOW}$
 STEP 2: Set T_{LOW} at the point of which terminal flow equals 28.1 L/MIN





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Early application of airway pressure release ventilation may reduce the duration of mechanical ventilation in acute respiratory distress syndrome

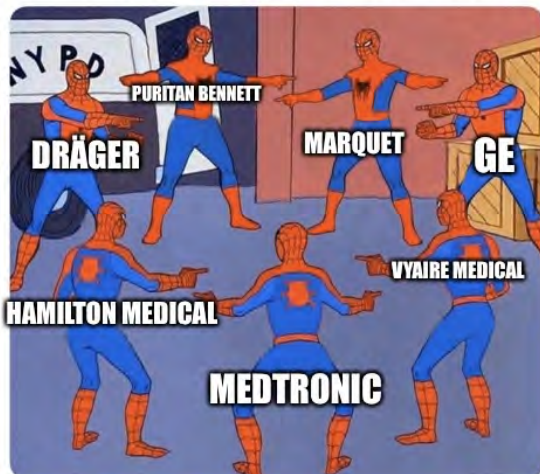


Yongfang Zhou, Xiaodong Jin, Yinxia Lv, Peng Wang, Yunqing Yang, Guopeng Liang, Bo Wang and Yan Kang*

- Perhaps the best evidence on use of APRV on patients with ARDS
- 138 patients with a diagnosis of ARDS
- Randomized patients within 48 hours to:
 - Conventional low tidal volume (LTV) ventilation with a low PEEP strategy
 - APRV with a clearly defined implementation protocol.
- Ventilator free days (median APRV = 2 days vs LTV = 19)

Considerations

STARTING APRV ON A NEW VENTILATOR CAN BE TRICKY



- Manufacturers implement different iterations of APRV
- Your mileage may vary across various platforms and software
- Lack of a standardized approach to setting optimization
 - Although clinical guides are available



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Airway pressure release ventilation in mechanically ventilated patients with COVID-19: a multicenter observational study

John S. Zorbas¹, Kwok M. Ho^{2,3,4}, Edward Litton^{3,5}, Bradley Wibrow^{1,3}, Edward Fysh⁶, Matthew H. Anstey^{1,3}

- "Patients who received APRV had a lower probability of survival than did those on other forms of ventilation"
- Fewer vent-free survival days with APRV vs non-APRV
- "...we urge caution with the use of APRV in COVID-19"

Utilization of Airway Pressure Release Ventilation as a Rescue Strategy in COVID-19 Patients: A Retrospective Analysis

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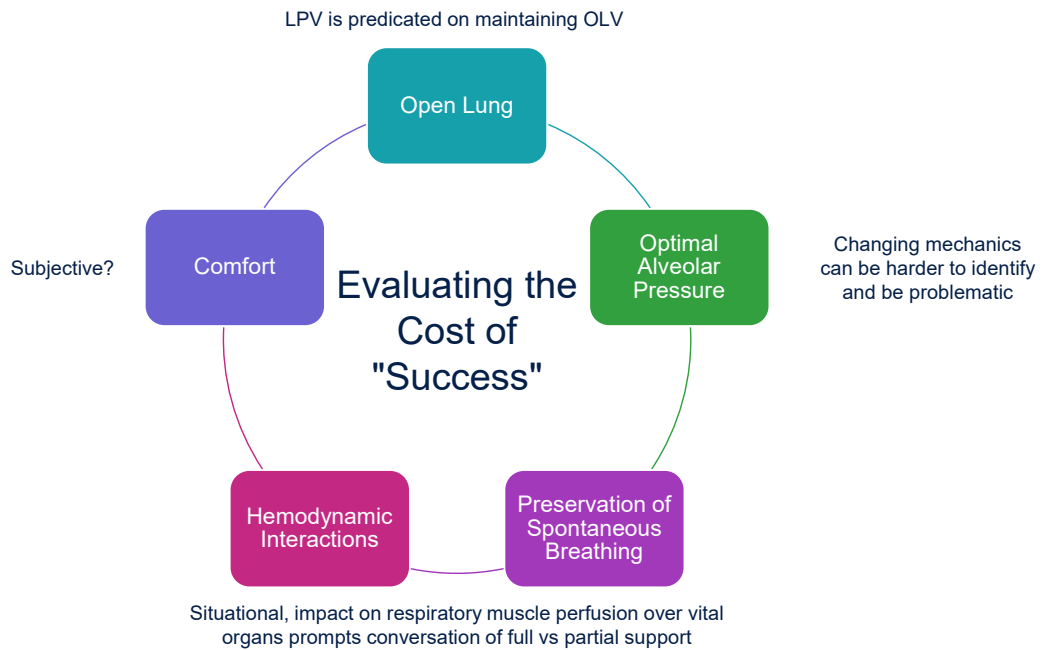

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Table 3. Study Outcomes.

	Before APRV	During APRV	P value
PaO ₂ /FIO ₂ ratio	103 (75-154.23)	131.75 (94.15-221)	0.0001
FIO ₂ (%)	100 (75-100)	80 (60-100)	0.0034
pH	7.265 (7.16-7.39)	7.31 (7.25-7.38)	0.0736
PaO ₂ (mm Hg)	80 (65-103)	91.5 (76-135.5)	0.0072
PaCO ₂ (mm Hg)	54 (42-73)	45.8 (41-56.75)	0.0051
TV (mL)	421.93 ± 89.56	525.78 (188.68)	<0.0001
TV/PBW (mL/Kg)	6.58 (5.69-7.86)	7.86 (7.06-9.85)	<0.0001
Minute ventilation (L/min)	12.39 ± 2.99	10.87 ± 3.11	0.0005
Ventilatory ratio	2.85 (2.07-3.85)	2.24 (1.72-2.72)	0.0054
Dynamic compliance (mL/cm H ₂ O)	21.07 (13.33-25.42)	19.25 (14.14-24.65)	0.3324

- Retrospective (01/20 - 06/30) analysis of multiple hospitals across the Mount Sinai Health System
- P/F <200 (PEEP 5 + FIO₂ >= 0.70)
- Positive impact on oxygenation & ventilation
- Positive impact on Vd/Vt, regional V/Q matching, and alveolar ventilation
- Presumed non-standardized application on APRV

Does improvements in gas exchange define success?





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ECMO as Bridge to Recovery for Severe COVID-19



9:50 a.m. – 10:35 a.m.

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VV ECMO for the COVID patient

Overview of V-V
 General Management of
 the V-V patient
 V-V ECMO for COVID ARDS
 1st v 2nd wave
 Controversies in COVID
 ECMO



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V-A ECMO "Veno-arterial"

- Venous access + Arterial return
- Provides: complete cardiopulmonary support


Treats: Cardiogenic Shock and bridges to device/transplant/recovery





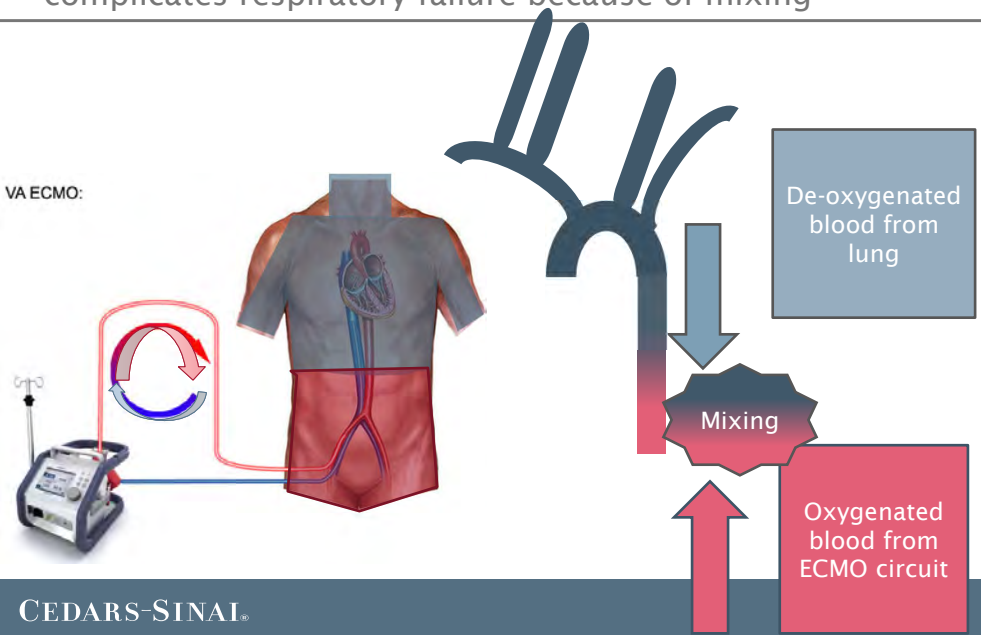
V-V ECMO "Veno-Venous"

- Venous access + venous return
- Provides: Oxygenation and Ventilation but no hemodynamic support
- Treats : ARDS



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V-A ECMO can cause differential hypoxemia and complicates respiratory failure because of mixing




VA ECMO:

De-oxygenated blood from lung

Mixing

Oxygenated blood from ECMO circuit

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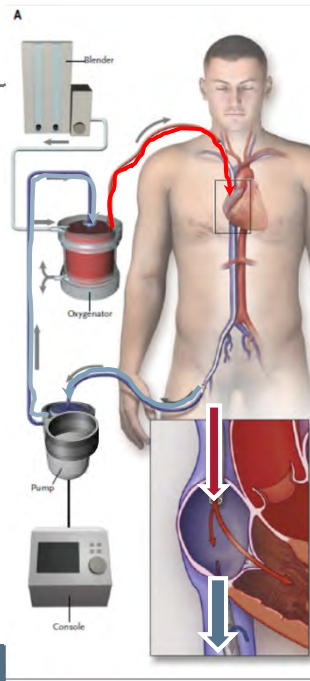
VV ECMO has two broad applications

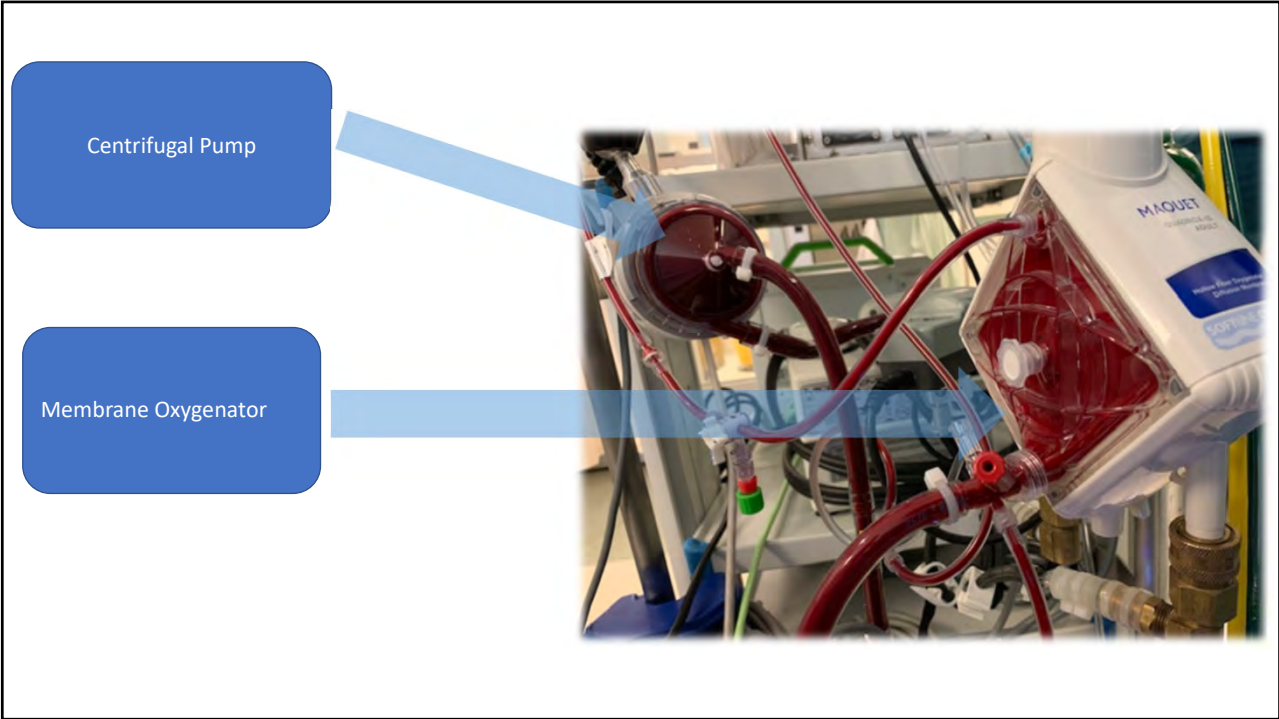
I can't live without it



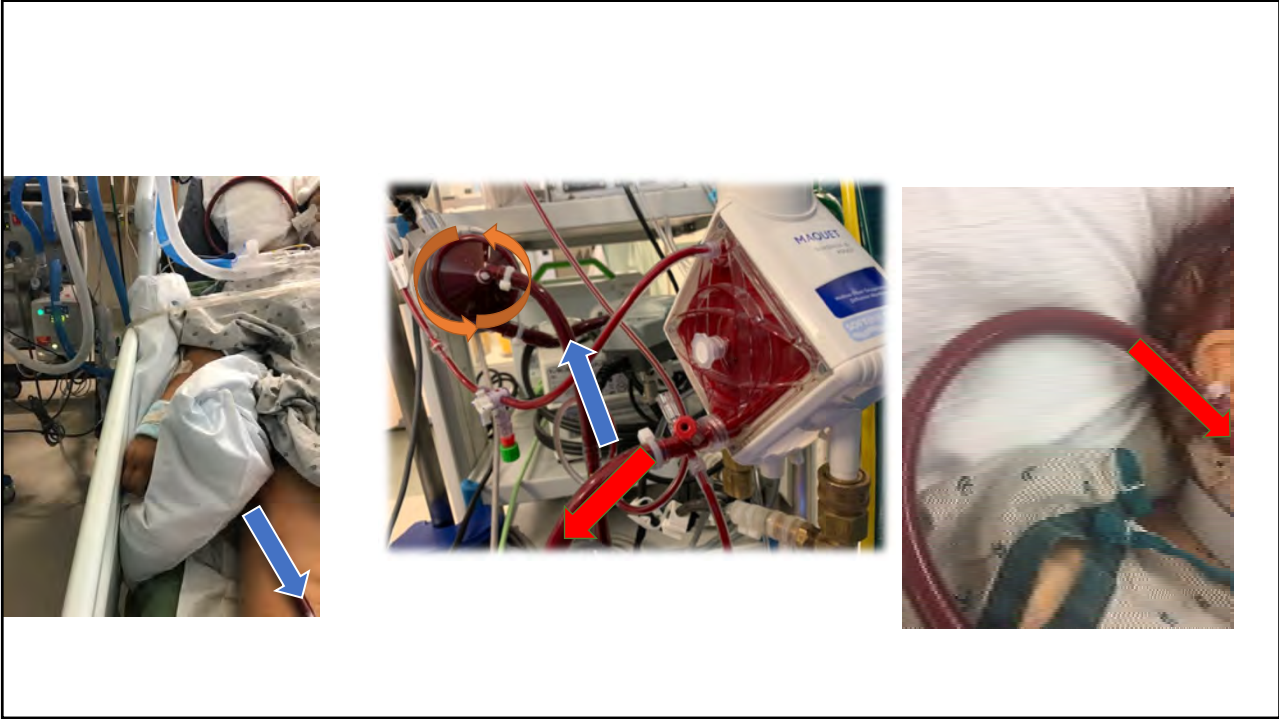
It will theoretically provide me with a better way to get the job done

- Ultra lung protective ventilation
- Reduce Fio₂ and O₂-trauma
- Reduce the hemodynamic burden of mechanical ventilation
- Provide an alternative way to support through the crisis
 - Wake the patient
 - exercise the patient
 - extubate the patient





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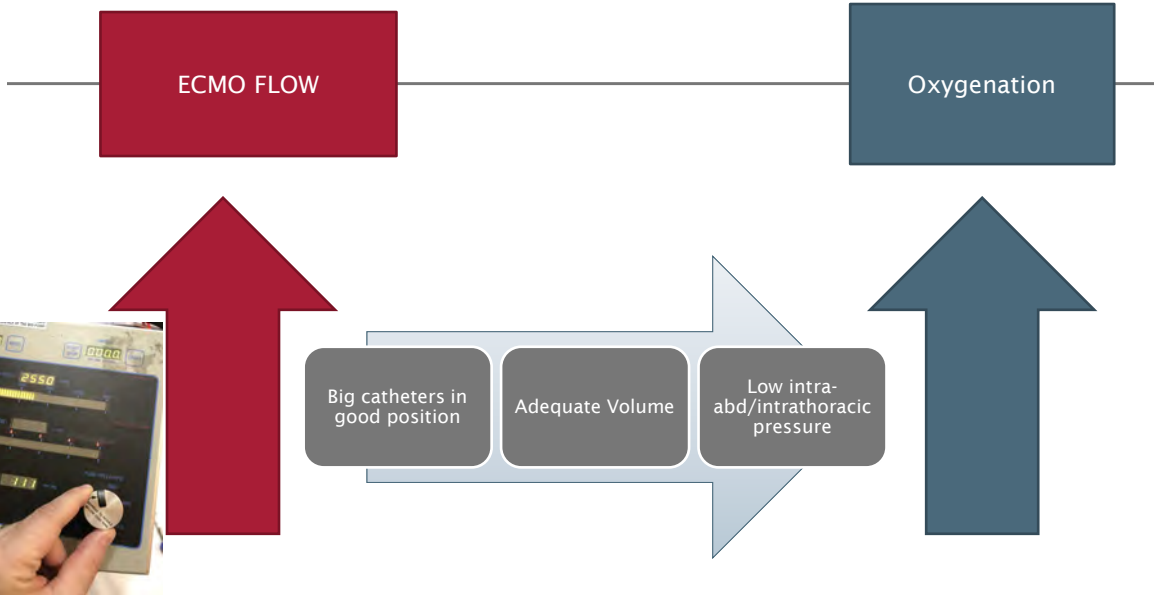
The VV ECMO circuit behaves like an artificial lung before the patient's blood enters their defective lung



Sweep
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Ventilation

Flow + Blender
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Oxygenation

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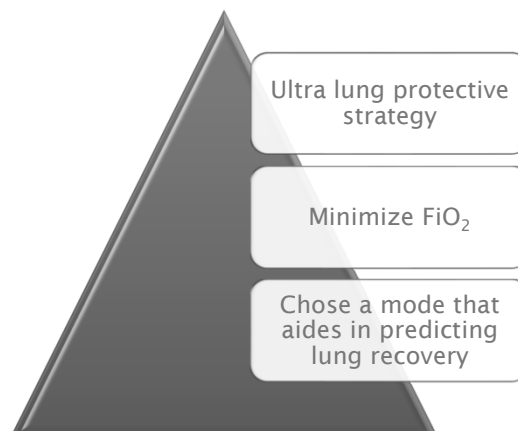
Hypoxemia on VV

- Maximize flow
- Maximize capture of cardiac output

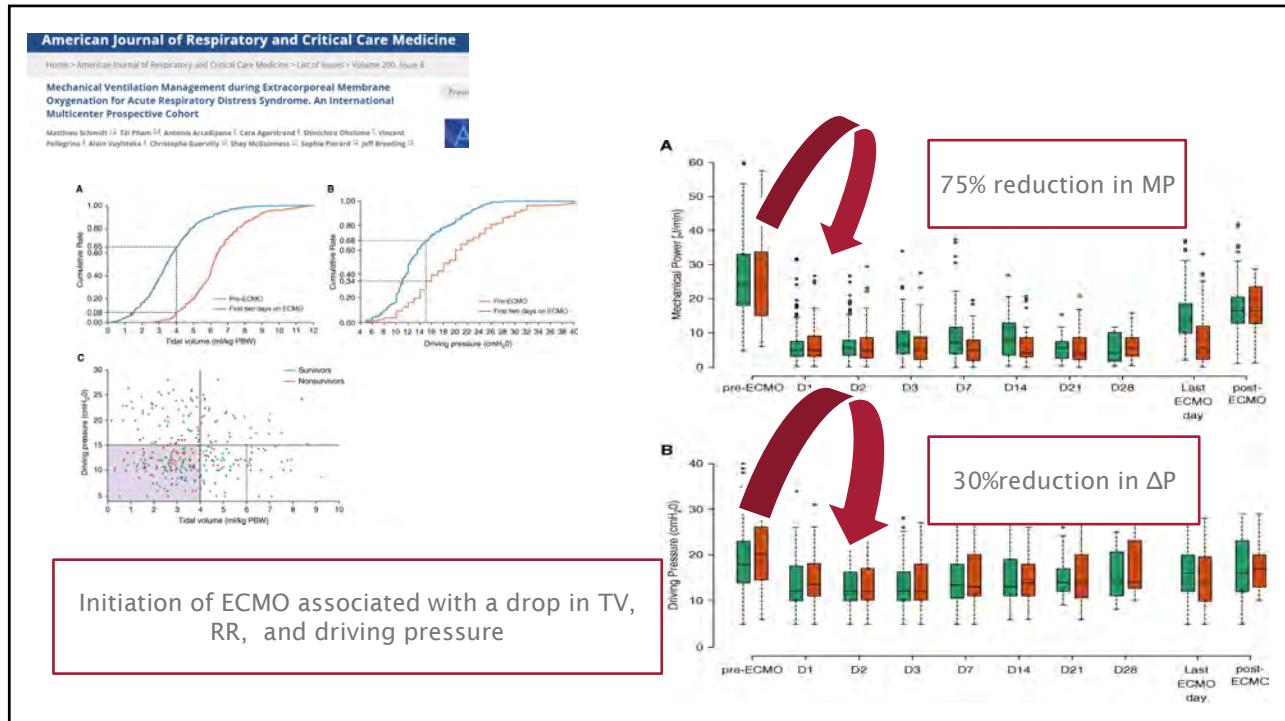


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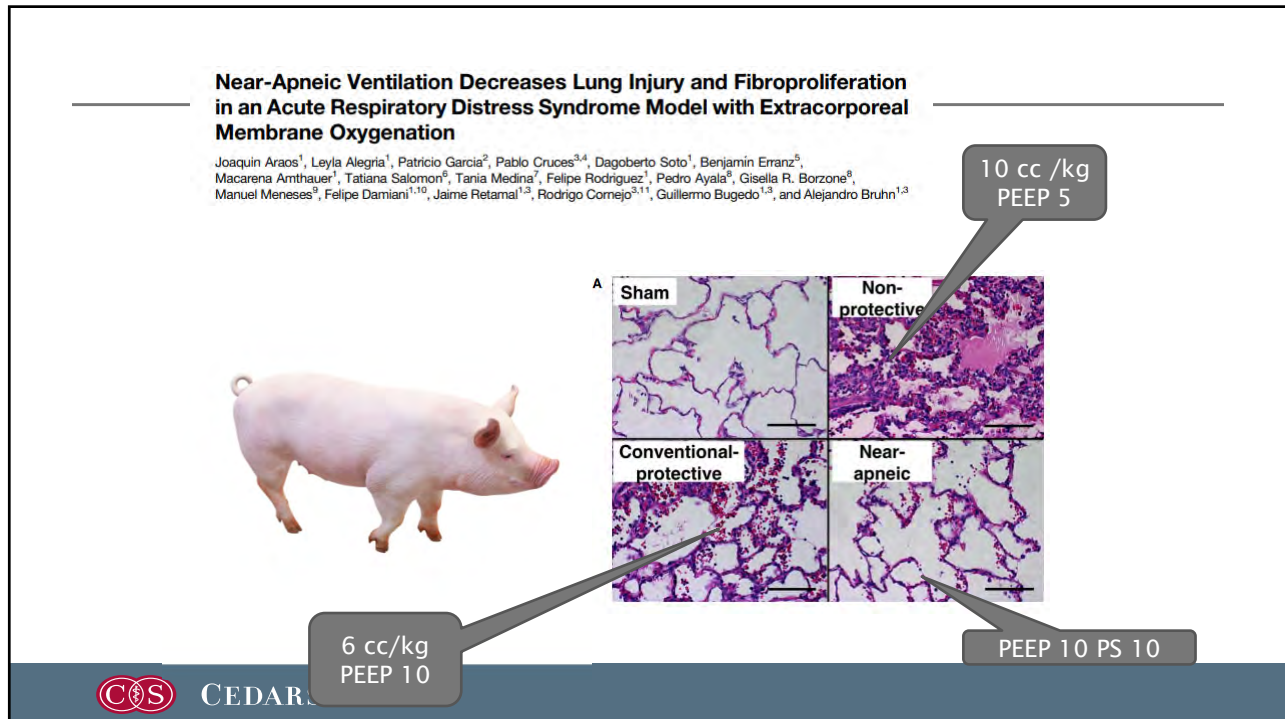
Set your mechanical ventilator during ECMO to be protective and predictive



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Suggested Mechanical Ventilator settings the “10 10 10 rule”

- Mode:
 - Use Pressure control ventilation:
rationale=as the patient improves and compliance improves their tidal volumes will return to normal
- Settings
 - RR 10 Driving pressure 10 PEEP 10
 - Wean FIO₂ as low as possible (goal down to 30%)

Try to address oxygenation and ventilation problems through the ECMO circuit and not the vent.



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Hit hard then pull away fast

Acute phase

- First week...
- The lung is hot and angry
- Sedate +/- paralysis
- Ultra lung protective ventilation
- Positive fluid balance may be necessary to maintain flow
- *Rest the lung and take over*

“Rest is Best”

Recovery Phase

- Week ~ 2 and on
- The lung is recovering
- Wake the patient
- Mobilize the patient
- Liberalize tidal volumes
- Make the patient negative
- *Use and test the lung*

“Use it or lose it “



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Who should go on?



Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation for Severe Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome

A. Combes, D. Hajage, G. Capellier, A. Demoule, S. Lavoue, C. Guervilly, D. Da Silva, L. Zafrani, P. Tirot, B. Veber, E. Maury, B. Levy, Y. Cohen, C. Richard, P. Kalfon, L. Bouadma, H. Mehdaoui, G. Beduneau, G. Lebreton, L. Brochard, N.D. Ferguson, E. Fan, A.S. Slutsky, D. Brodie, and A. Mercat, for the EOLIA Trial Group, REVA, and ECMONet®

EOLIA criteria

- ARDS
- Vent <7days
- PF<50 for 3 hours
- PF<80 for 6 hours
- OR pH $\leq 7.25/\geq 60$ for >6 hr
- with RR 35 Plateau <32 FiO₂ ≥ 0.8 TV 6 cc/kg/PWB and PEEP ≥ 10

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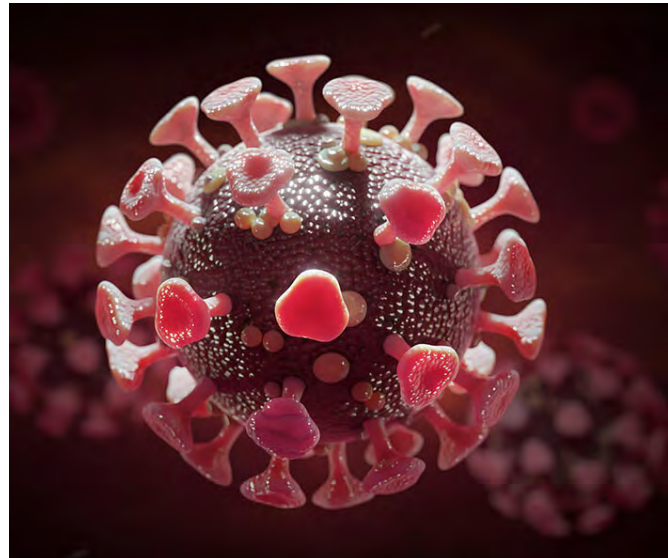
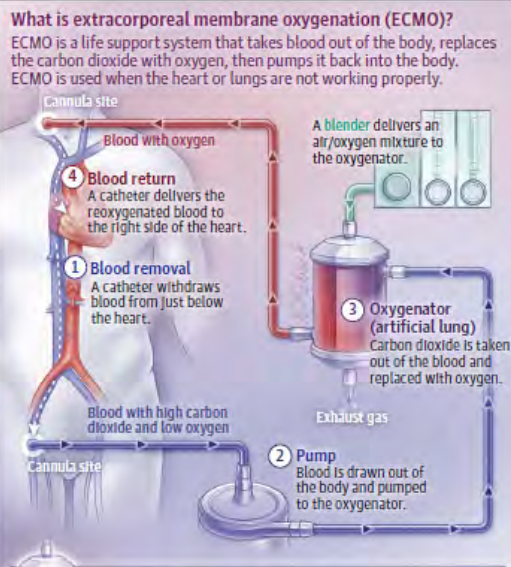
- Underpowered
- 28% crossover
- Study terminated early



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So, what about using ECMO for COVID?



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Early ECMO data from Feb/Mar 2020 was dismal



Table 1
 Comparison of studies that reported Extra Corporeal Membrane Oxygenation (ECMO) as a rescue therapy for patients with acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS) due to COVID-19.

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Study type	Cross-sectional	Retrospective, observational	Case series	Retrospective, observational	Cross-sectional	Retrospective, cohort study
n	41	99	138	710	1099	191
ICU admission, proportion, % (95% CI)	31.7 (18.08–48.08)	17.17 (10.33–26.06)	26.08 (18.98–34.24)	7.32 (5.51–9.49)	5.0 (3.79–6.46)	26.17 (20.09–33.01)
ARDS, proportion, % (95% CI)	29.26 (16.13–45.53)	17.17 (10.33–26.06)	19.56 (13.3–27.17)	4.93 (3.45–6.78)	3.36 (2.38–4.6)	30.89 (24.1–37.96)
Risk of death during ECMO support, relative risk (95% CI)	Data were unavailable to calculate	0.46 (0.09–2.39)	Data were unavailable to calculate	0.89 (0.61–1.29)	2.88 (1.65–5.01)	0.96 (0.66–1.41)
Overall mortality rate, proportion, % (95% CI)	14.63 (5.56–29.17)	11.11 (5.67–19.01)	4.34 (1.61–9.22)	4.50 (3.10–6.30)	1.36 (0.76–2.24)	28.27 (22.0–35.22)

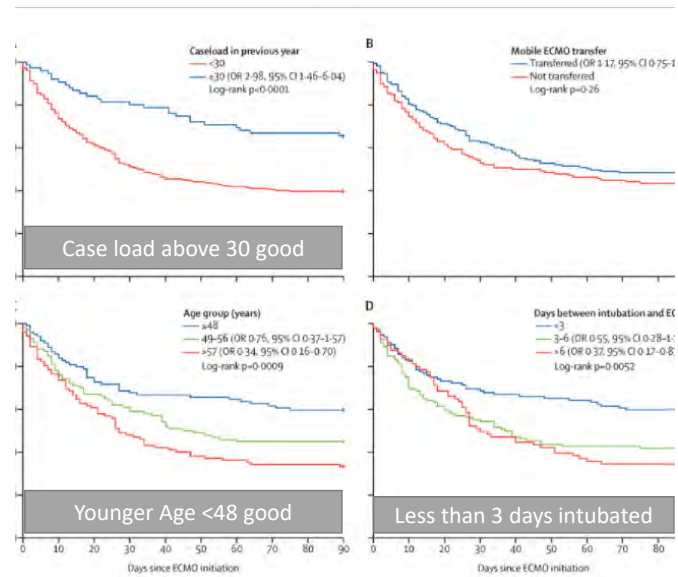
Average mortality of 82% and as high as 96%!

From S.A Namendys Silver Heart and Lung July 2020

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Paris Experience March ->June 2020

- 302 patients 17 ICUs – central site –
- 6 mobile ECMO teams
- March ->June 2020



Lebreton ECMO network organisation in Greater Paris Lancet 2021

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Extracorporeal membrane oxygenation network organisation and clinical outcomes during the COVID-19 pandemic in Greater Paris, France: a multicentre cohort study



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Criteria to go on:
PF<80 for for 6
PF <50 for 3
Age <70
No serious comorbidities

Median age 52
Pre ECMO 94%
proned, median PF
61, most paralyzed
>50% on iNO

BAD:
43% Major bleeding 27 ICH
43% RRT
18% PE

Results:
Median duration 14 (8-26)
46% alive after 90 days after
ECMO

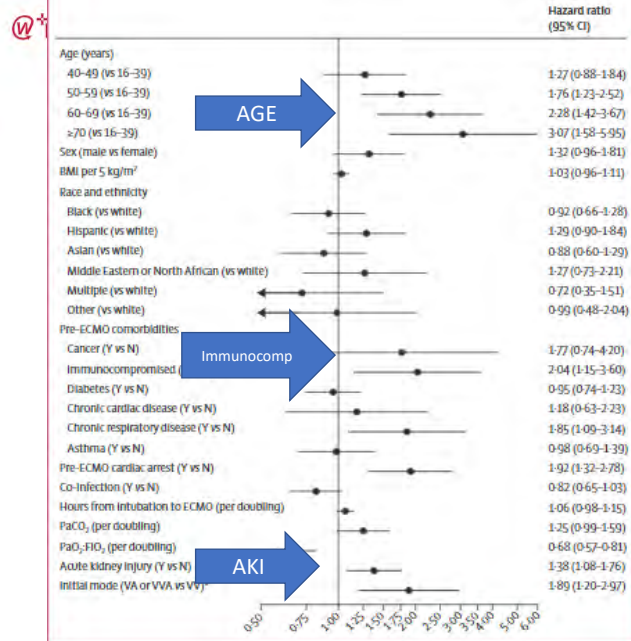
Better to be younger than 48
No renal failure to start

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Extracorporeal membrane oxygenation support in COVID-19: an international cohort study of the Extracorporeal Life Support Organization registry

Ryan P Barbara^a, Graeme MacLaren^a, Philip S Boonstra, Theodore J Iwashyna, Arthur S Slutsky, Eddy Fan, Robert H Bartlett, Joseph E Tonna, Robert Hyslop, Jeffrey J Fanning, Peter T Ryzas, Steve J Hyer, Marc M Anders, Cara L Agerstrand, Katarzyna Hryniewicz, Rodrigo Diaz, Roberto Larusso[†], Alain Combes[†], Daniel Brodie[†], for the Extracorporeal Life Support Organization[‡]

- Lancet October 2020 1k patients estimated mortality 90d 37.4%
- Age and underlying health conditions more important than severity of ARDS at initiation



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ELSO registry results were encouraging



COVID ELSO registry up to Oct 2020

90-day mortality 37%

EOLIA trial

60-day mortality 35%

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August 11, 2020

Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation for Patients With COVID-19 in Severe Respiratory Failure

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JAMA Surg. 2020;155(10):990-992. doi:10.1001/jamasurg.2020.3950

The Rush experience

- ECMO Criteria:
 - Age<70
 - PF<50 more than 3 hours
 - PF<80 more than 6 hours
 - pH <7.25, PCO>60 more than 6 hours
- Despite max vent settings=
- FIO₂ at least 80% PEEP at least 10 TV 6cc/kg/PBM with Plat<32
- Average data:FIO₂ 100 PEEP 17 ph7.24 PF 69 paralyzed prone pressors

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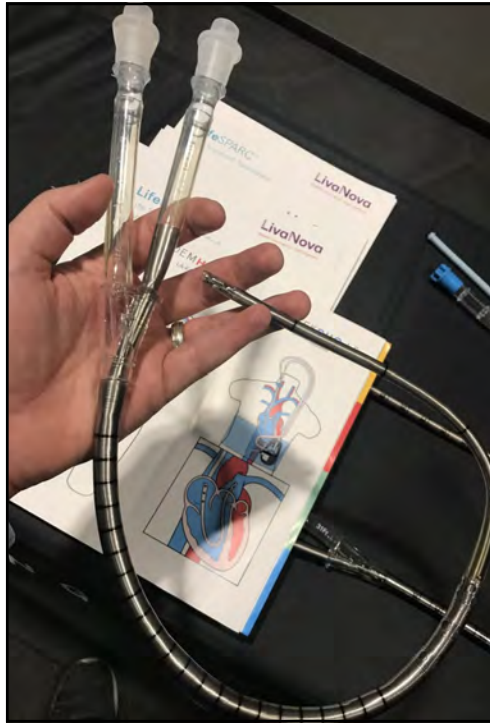
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140 patients 17% mortality,
82.5% alive at home!

- **Features:**
- Pro-Tek Duo[®] Cannula
- Awakening
- Extubation
- Early mobilization
- Majority used direct thrombin inhibitor

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Pro Tek Duo® has some advantages (used @Rush)

- Access in neck
- Improved mobility
- RV support

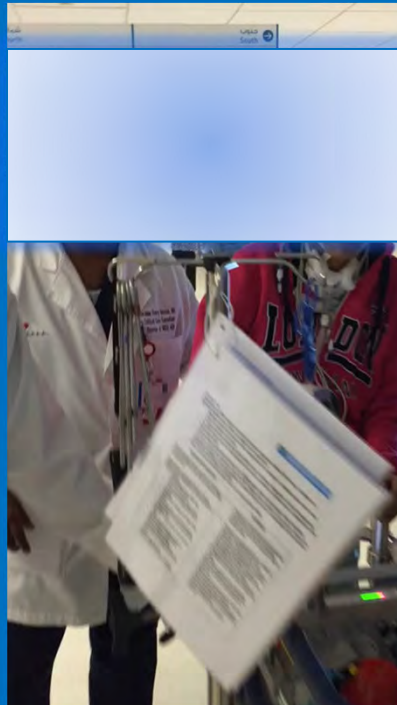
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Tandem ProTek Duo® with RIJ cannulation



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Fem-Fem can
be ambulated
as well



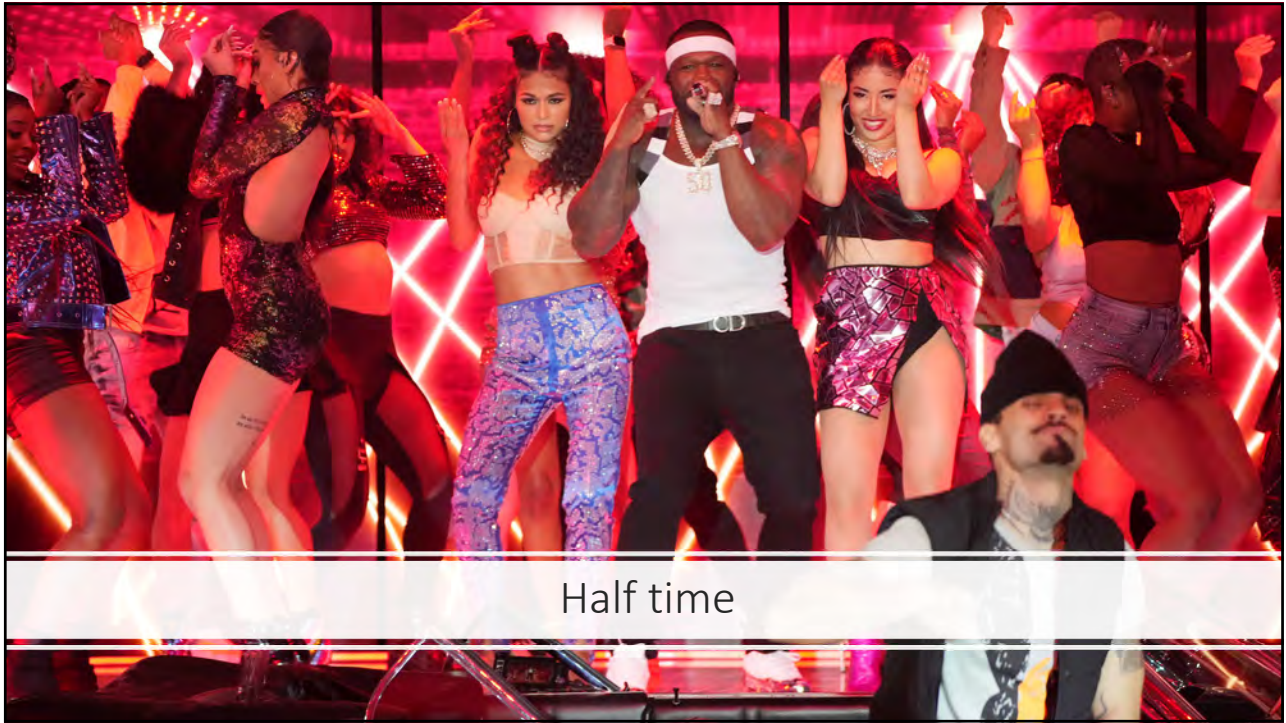
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What about
longer term
survival




Start March/April
2020
132 patients average
age 51
47.7% died on ECMO
and 52% died during
hospitalization
6 month all cause
mortality was 53%

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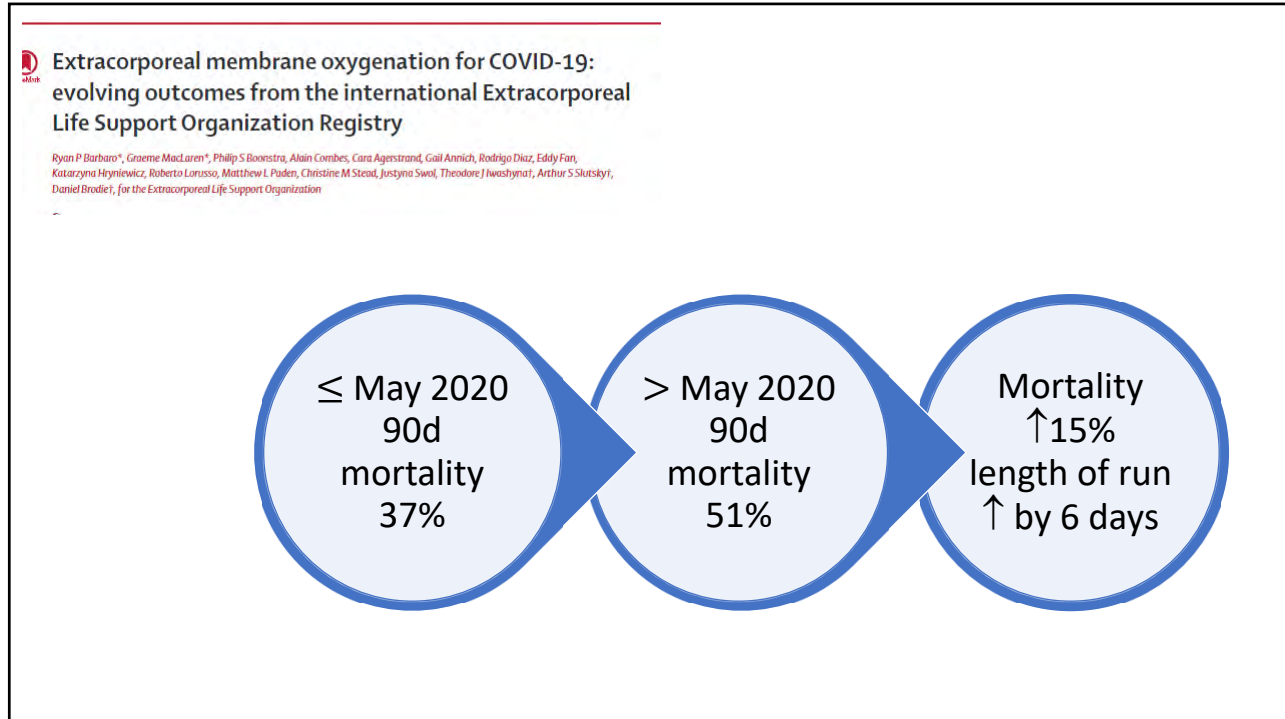
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Then the “second wave” hit...

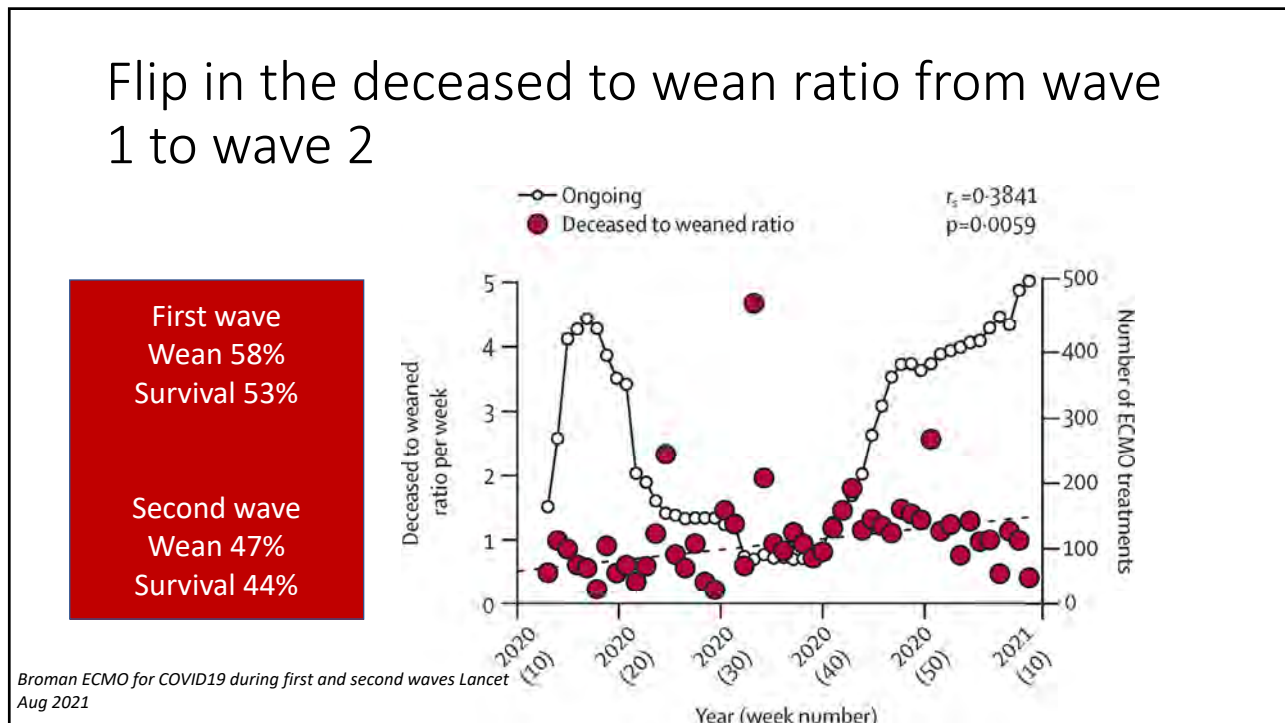


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Why was the second wave worse?

Increased mortality in patients with COVID-19 receiving extracorporeal respiratory support during the second wave of the pandemic



Jordi Riera^{1,2,3*}, Roberto Roncon-Albuquerque Jr⁴, Maria Paz Fuset⁵, Sara Alcántara⁶, Pablo Blanco-Schweizer⁷ and on behalf of ECMOVIBER Study Group

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- 319 ECMO for ARDS
- First wave prior to June 2020 n151 40% mortality
- Second wave n168 60% mortality
- Second wave: older, more comorbidities, longer time between admission to ICU, more steroids, more VAPs

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Before and After

Pre pandemic V-V 40% mortality avg 12 day run

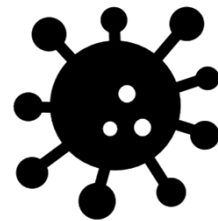
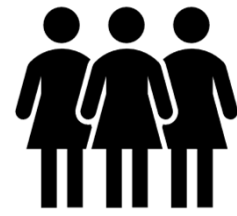
COVID-19 mortality 50% median time 20 days

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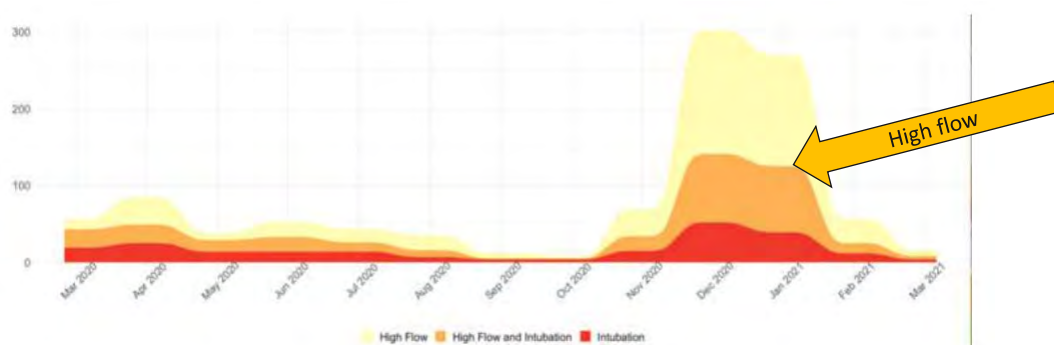
What has changed?

- Different variants Δ
- Change in therapeutics
- Change in patient population affected
- Change in attitudes RE ECMO
- Liberalize criteria/tighten criteria



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Our “Second Wave” was characterized by an increase in HFNC and longer pre intubation HFNC use

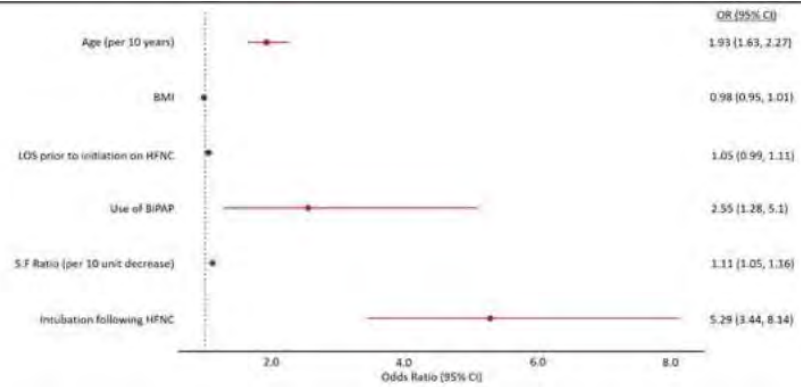


Unpublished Data from Cedars on 1K patients

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Patients who received HFNC followed by intubation did worse than intubation up front

Hospital mortality:
 HFNC without intubation 27.2%
 Intubation without prior HFNC 40%
HFNC followed by intubation 53.9%



Submitted unpublished data from Cedars

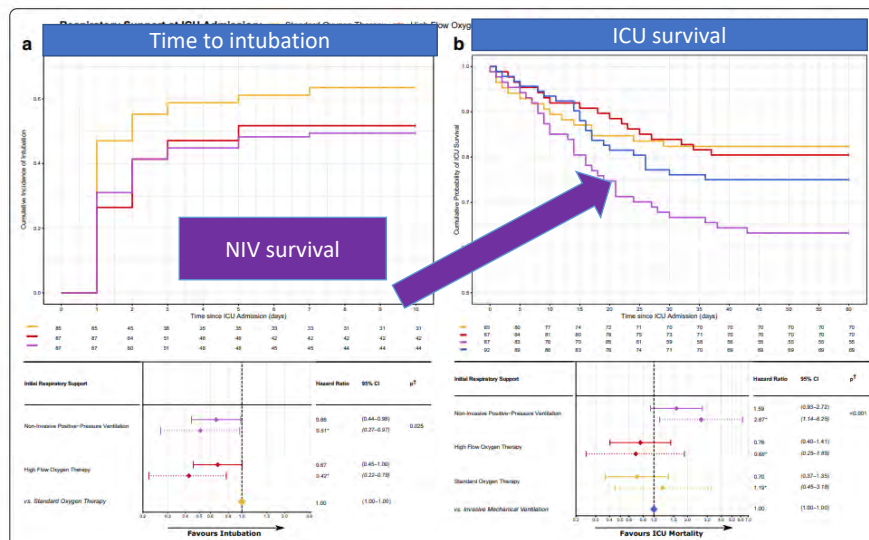
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RESEARCH Open Access
 Implications of early respiratory support strategies on disease progression in critical COVID-19: a matched subanalysis of the prospective RISC-19-ICU cohort

Critical Care

Self induced lung injury may be the cause of worse outcome in the NIV group

351 pts prospective registry
 Standard oxygen(SOT)
 HFNC
 NIV
 Early IMV
 NIV associated with higher ICU mortality



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Controversies in COVID ECMO



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Is COVID ECMO different than non-COVID ECMO?

- More CNS hemorrhage
- More clot
- More pump changes.
- Longer Runs
- Worse survival

- But.... complications may normalize for length of run



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COMPLICATIONS			COMPLICATIONS PER 1k HOURS		
	COVID	Non COVID		COVID	Non COVID
CNS hemorrhage	6%	2.8%		0.14	0.14
Oxygenator Failure	8%	3.3%		0.2	0.2
Pump Failure				0.02	0.03
Circuit Change	15%	5.7%		0.37	0.37
Circuit Clot	5%	2.9%		0.11	0.186

Data adopted from Barbaro Lancet 2020

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How long do you go?

Short answer: no one knows

Long answer: young/single organ failure –keep going

Successful native lung recovery reported after 28 days of support¹, no signal for decreased recovery up to 40 days²

1. Dreier ECMO in COVID-19 Prolonged therapy needed? Perfusion 2021

2. Barbaro ECMO support in COVID-19 Lancet 2020

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Should V-V be restricted to <7 days of mechanical ventilation ?

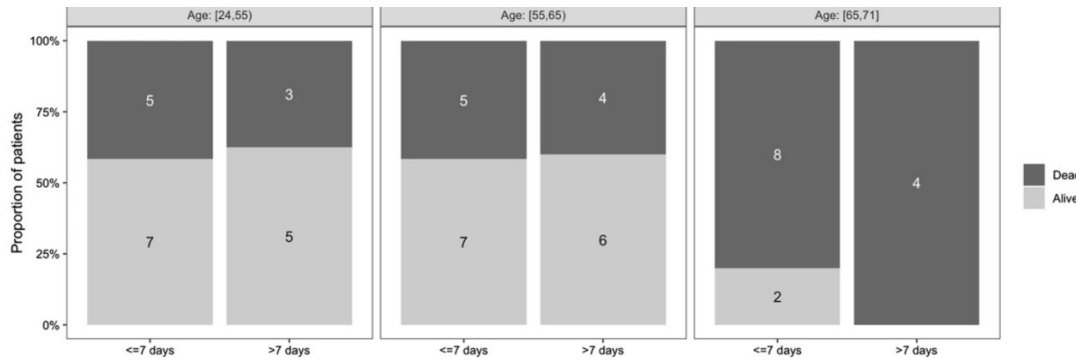
Journal of Critical Care 105 (2021) 10–18
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Critical Care

RESEARCH LETTER [Open Access](#)

Prolonged time from intubation to cannulation in VV-ECMO for COVID-19: does it really matter?

Peem-Han Chiu^{a,b}, Giuseppe D'Alagni^c, Andrea Pizzi^d, Albano Auricchio^e, Carlo Demiroz^f and Matt Perrotti^g



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Should Anticoagulation for COVID ECMO be enhanced?

• NON COVID

- AC is complicated
- Bleeding and clotting abound
- Discordance between anti-XA, PTT, ACT
- Loss of vMF monomers
- Platelet dysfunction

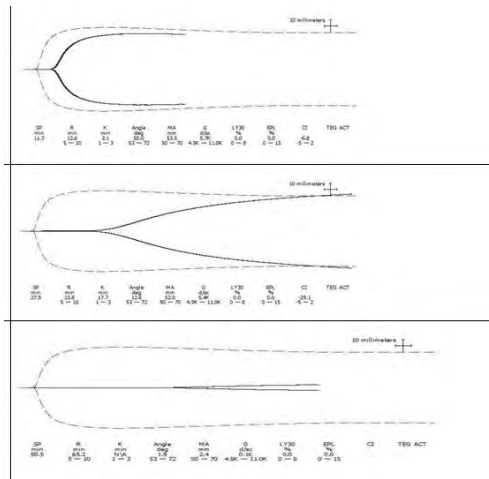
• COVID

- May be prothrombotic state
- Heparin resistance: increased in COVID – pro-inflammatory molecules and antithrombin resistance
- No evidence that targets need to be adjusted



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A tale of 3 TEGs on ECMO



ACT

- 125
- Therapeutic effect

ACT

- 169
- Slightly supratherapeutic

ACT

- 164
- Severely supratherapeutic

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VV ECMO
for COVID =
works

VV ECMO for COVID First wave 60% survival, second wave 50/50

Runs are longer

Management is similar

Patient selection is similar (perhaps loosen time from intubation ->cannulation)

A strategy of awakening, extubation, ambulation may be best

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BREAK
EXHIBIT HALL OPEN

10:35 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.

Lung Transplantation for Severe COVID-19

10:50 a.m. – 11:35 a.m.

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Dr. Leslie Seijo is an Advanced Lung Disease and Lung Transplant Fellow at UCSF. Before moving to the Bay Area, Dr. Seijo completed her Internal Medicine residency at Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai Beth Israel, where she was also Chief Resident. Dr. Seijo is interested in health disparities research, using implementation science methods to address gaps in care for vulnerable patients with end-stage lung disease and lung transplant.

Lung Transplantation for Severe COVID-19

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- None

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Goals for today

- Case presentations
- Brief overview of lung transplantation
- First transplants for COVID-19
- Current state of lung transplantation for COVID-19
- How the COVID-19 vaccine impacts transplant
- UCSF Experience


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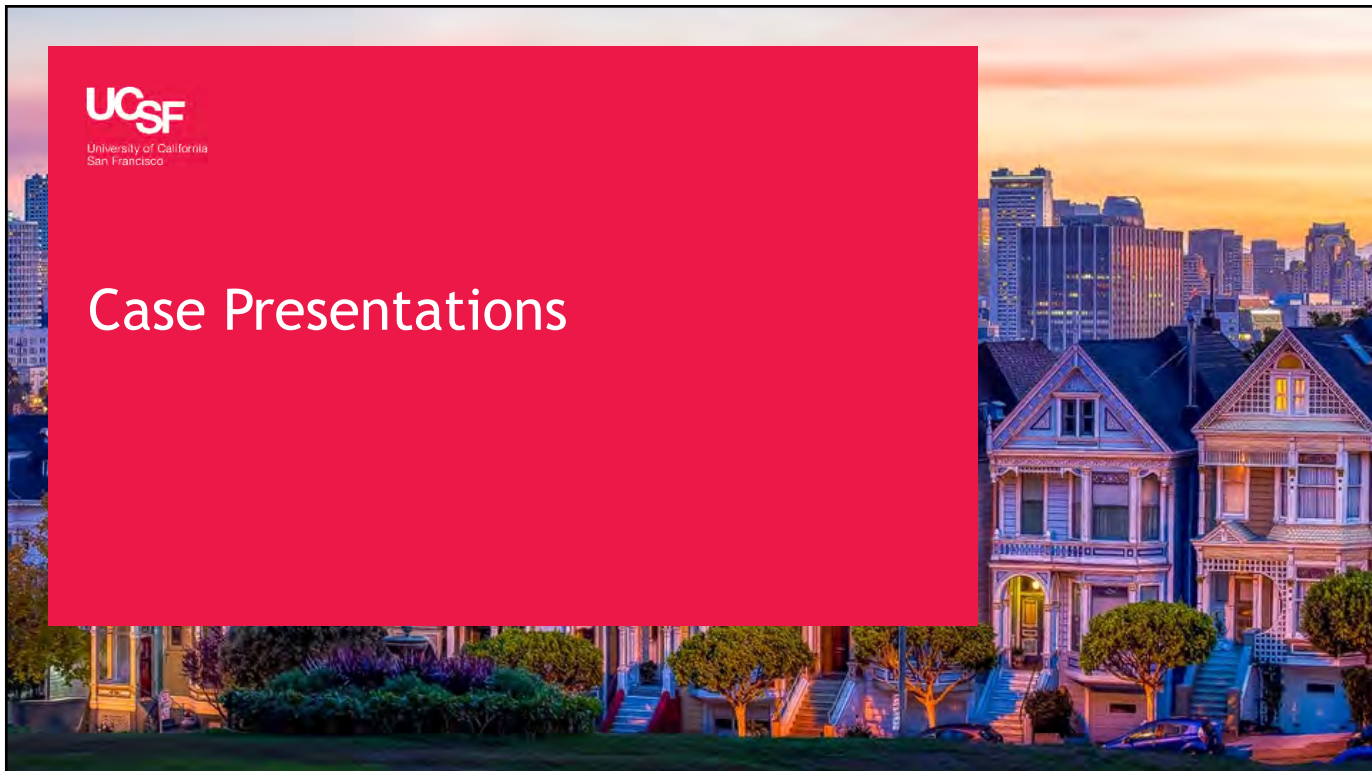
My experience with lung transplantation

- I do primary management of lung transplant patients
- I work in a center that does lung transplant, however, I am not on the transplant team
- I had exposure in training, no involvement now
- I have had no meaningful exposure to transplant

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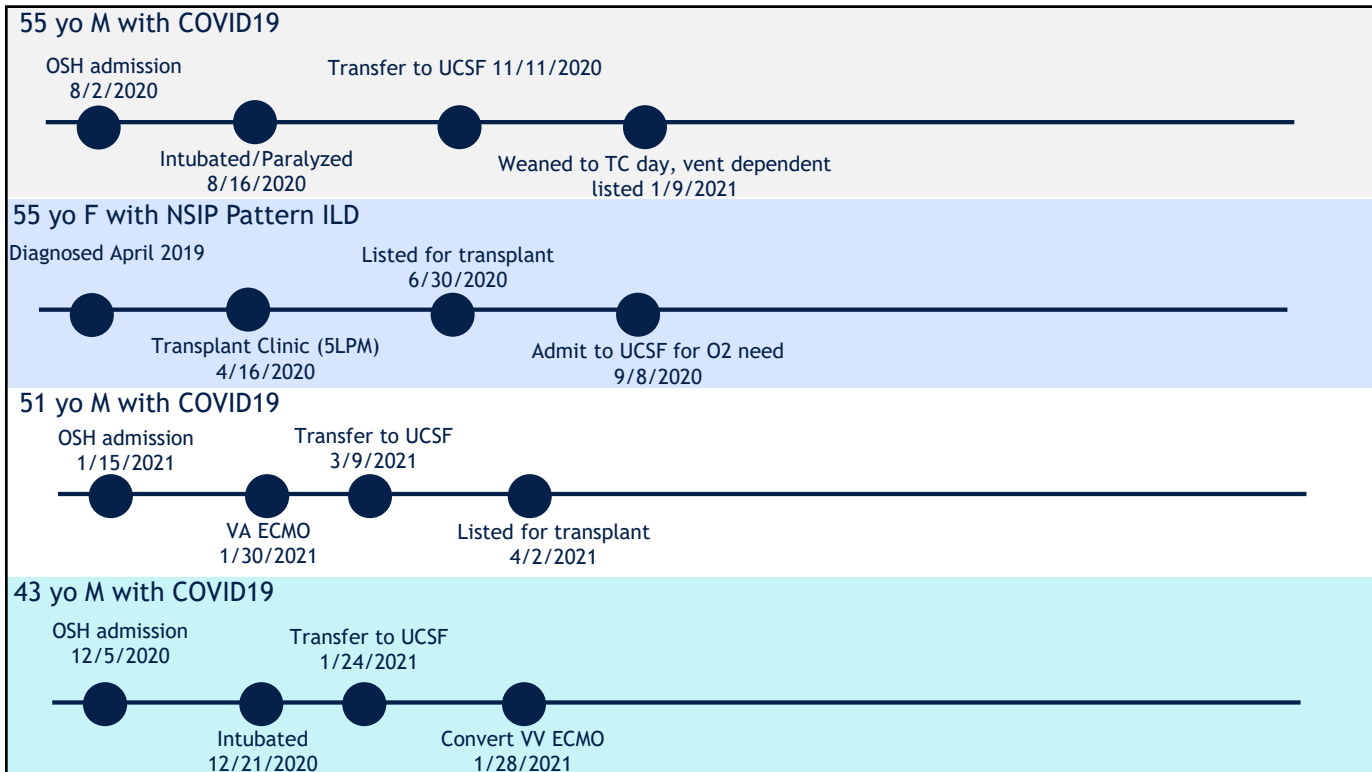
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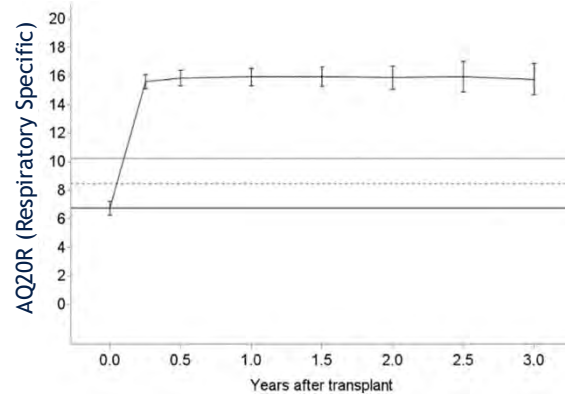
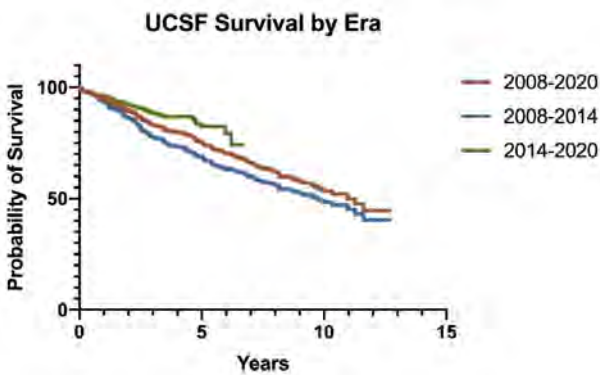
Two primary aims of lung transplantation



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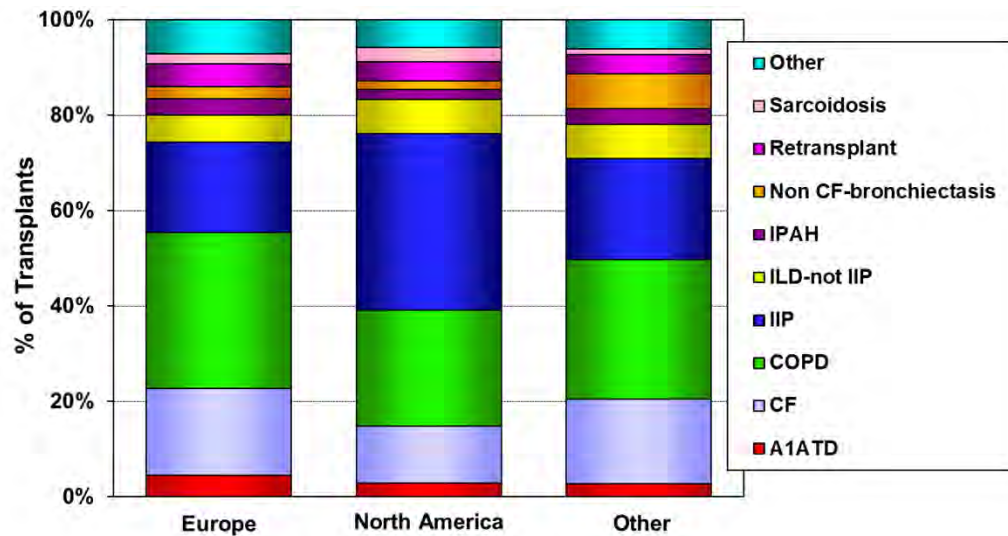


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Indications for lung transplantation



ISHLT Registry 2019

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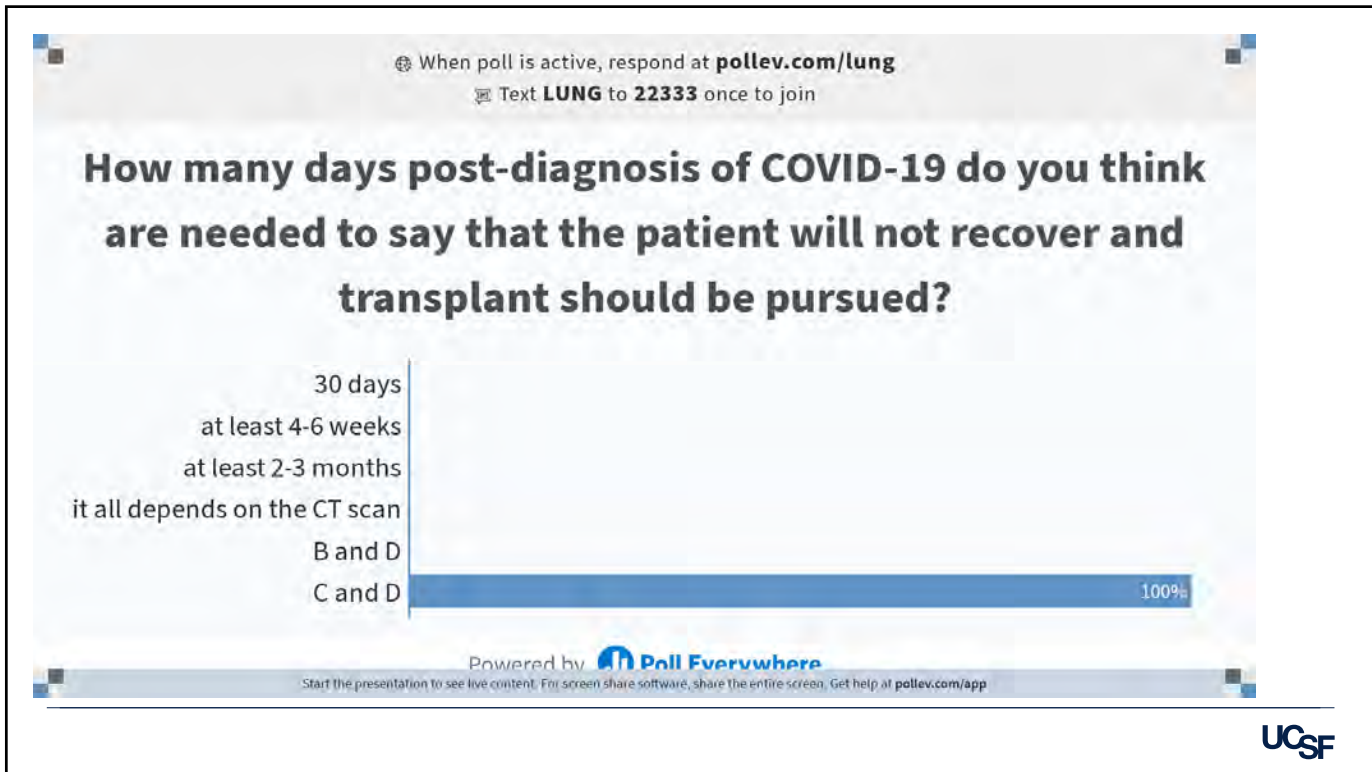
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Ideal Scenario

- Patient with chronic disease has ability to comprehend need for transplant over a long period of time
- Able to understand risks and benefits of transplant
- Patients come to terms with potential loss of life and can have that as a basis to stand tall when faced with challenges of transplant
- Ideally patients walk into the transplant
- Disease for which transplant is being performed is irreversible

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Consensus document for the selection of lung transplant candidates: An update from the International Society for Heart and Lung Transplantation

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Leard LE J Heart Lung Transplant 2021

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*“Since lung transplant is a lifesaving procedure, the principle of **utility** requires that survival be maximized when choosing transplant candidates...Candidates should be **carefully selected, as an unsuccessful lung transplant affects not only the individual who was transplanted, but also a potential alternative recipient who did not have the opportunity to be transplanted due to the prevailing organ shortage.**”*


*“Case reports describing bilateral lung transplant for COVID-19 associated ARDS have started to emerge since January 2020. Experts in the field **recommend waiting at least 4-6 weeks after the onset of respiratory failure due to COVID-19 prior to considering lung transplant. While it seems likely that these cases should be evaluated like other patients with post-viral ARDS, it is too early to make conclusive recommendations at this time.**”*


Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS)	
2021 Consensus Statement	Consensus N (%)
Timing of Listing and Referral	
Persistent requirement for mechanical ventilatory support and /or ECLS without expectation of clinical recovery and with evidence of irreversible lung destruction.	24 (100%)

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Allocation of donor lungs in the United States occurs through what system?

- Time on the waiting list – the longer you are on the list the more likely you get transplanted
- At the discretion of the transplant center – when the offer comes the center decides which patient would benefit the most from transplant.
- Urgency – the sickest patient gets the organs
- A combination of urgency and likelihood of surviving after transplant
- Likelihood of survival – patients with the highest potential for benefit get the organs

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Lung Allocation History

- In United States donor lung allocation occurs through the Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network via the lung allocation score
 - Calculated LAS score by need based on clinical parameters
 - (e.g., PASP, age, 6MWD, oxygen requirements)
- Goal to maximize transplant benefit and minimize risk of wait list death
- Composite LAS Score ranges 0 to 100
- Highest possible score is someone who has a high likelihood of death on the wait list and high likelihood of survival post transplant



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Unique listing for COVID-19

- Not included as a category in LAS until October 2020
- Patients with COVID-19 tend to be very sick so will have a high LAS
- May jump patients with chronic illness

Interim Summary

- Lung transplantation is a therapeutic option for end stage lung disease
- Extends survival and improves health-related quality of life
- Utility is important in determining candidates
- Organs allocation by system that tries to maximize post-transplant benefit and minimize waitlist death
- Tends to favor sicker patients, like those with COVID-19

First transplants for COVID-19

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Should patients with COVID-19 be held to the same standard as all other patients with end-stage lung disease?

Yes – this is needed for the equity of transplant

100%

No – COVID-19 is a unique disease state

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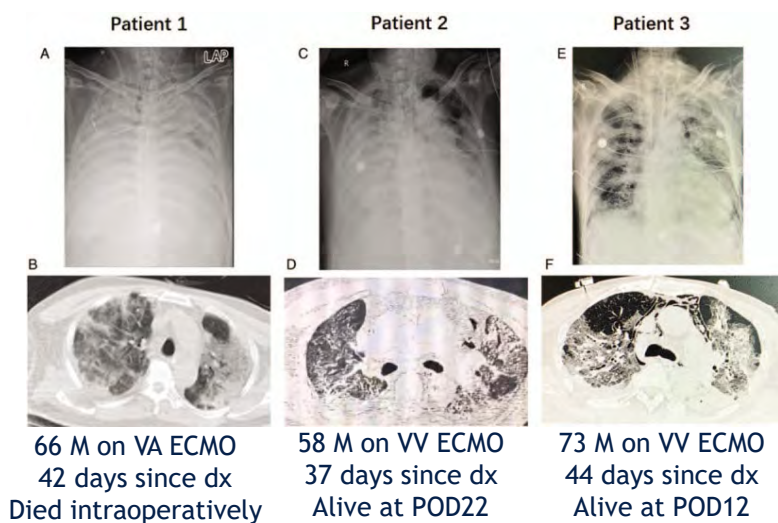
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Early days - Chinese Cohort

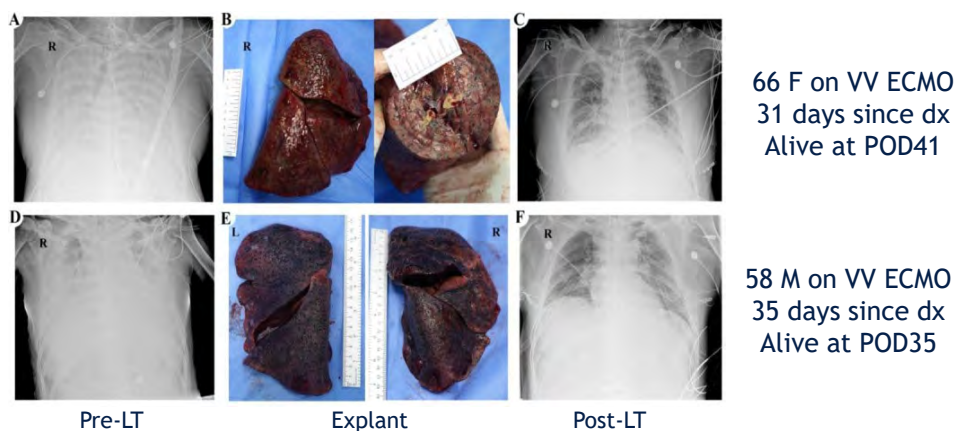


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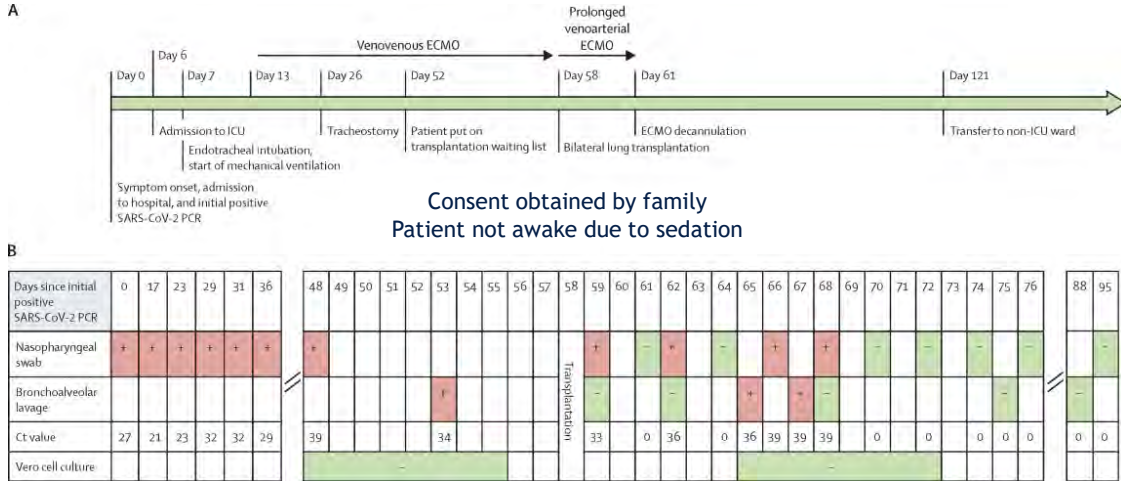


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Early days - Europeans report



Lang et al. Lancet Respir Med 2020



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Should the patient be awake and able to give consent for surgery?

Yes – this is necessary so they understand the risks of transplant.

No – family can provide consent. Without family consent these patients will die.

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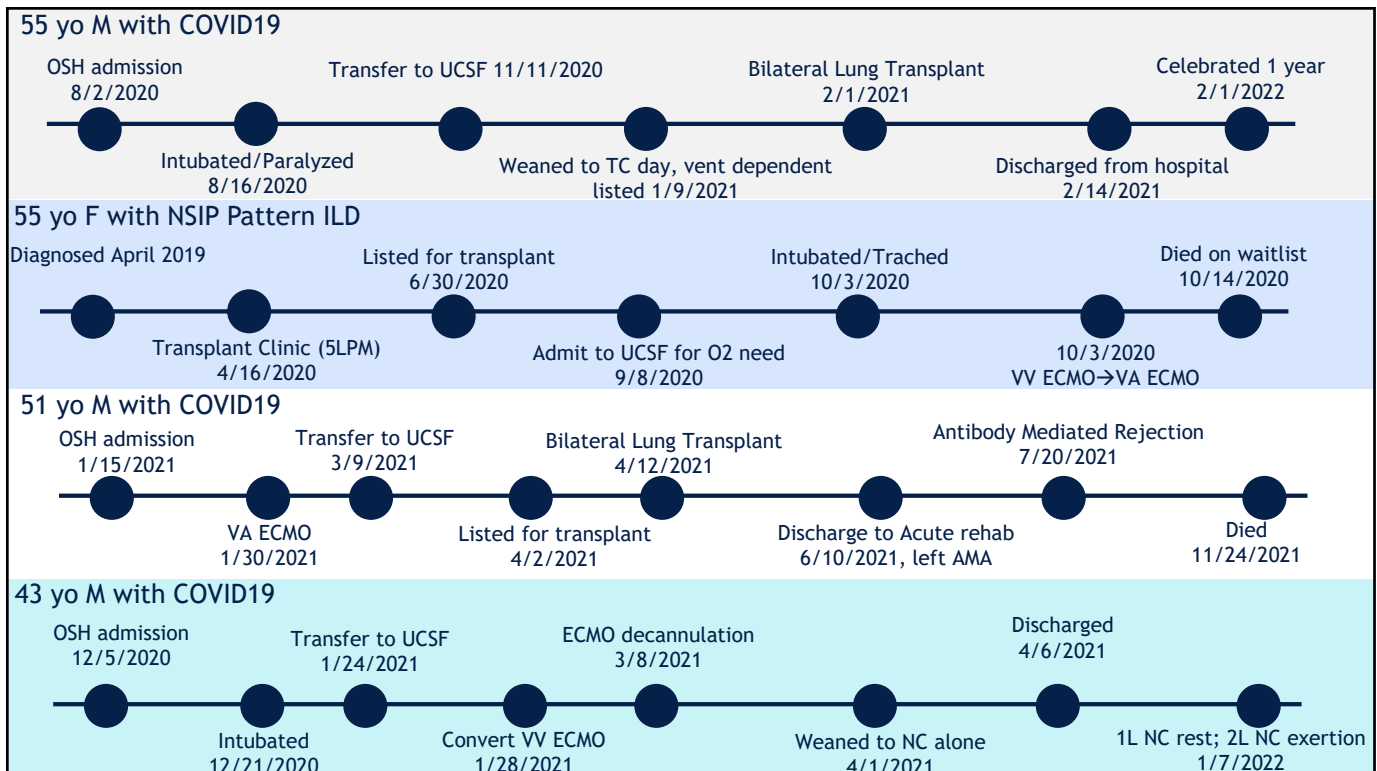
Early days - Canadians retort

- Age <65
- Single-organ dysfunction
- Sufficient time should be allowed for lung recovery. Flu or ARDS can recover after several weeks to months (recommended 4-6 weeks)
- Radiological evidence of irreversible lung disease
- Awake and able to discuss transplantation
- Able to participate in physical rehabilitation
- Should fulfil the remaining typical criteria for transplantation
- Recent negative SARS-CoV-2 PCR result
- Center should have substantial experience with high-risk transplantation
- Center should have a broad donor pool and low waiting-list mortality

Cypel and Keshavjee Lancet Respir Med 2020



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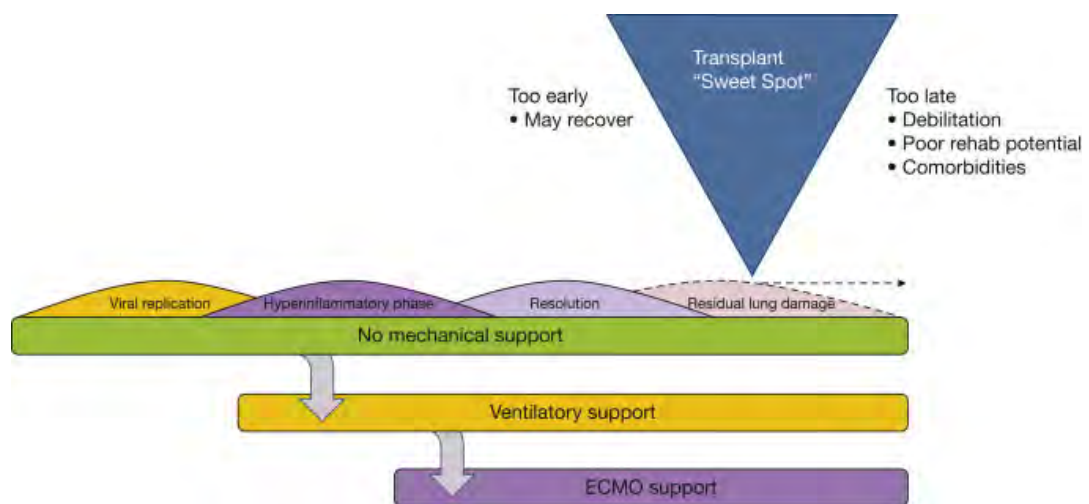


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Current State of Transplantation for COVID-19

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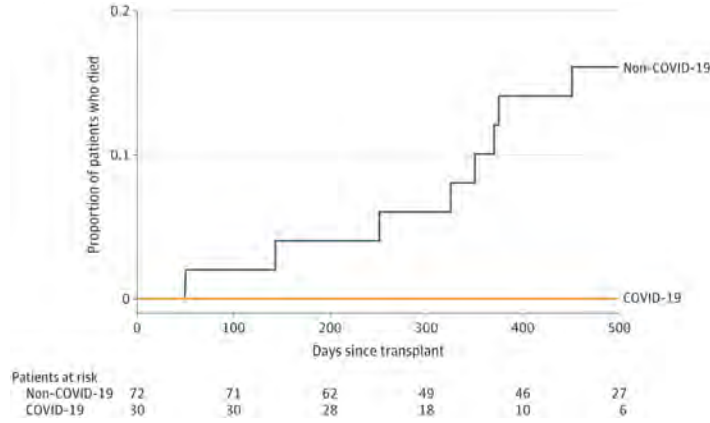
Transplant “Sweet Spot”



King et al. Chest 2022

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Success of transplantation for COVID19



Report from Northwestern on all transplants between January 21, 2020, and September 30, 2021

Kurihara et al. JAMA 2022



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Between August 1, 2020 and September 30, 2021 what proportion of all lung transplants in the United States were performed for COVID?

<1%
 2%
 7%
 15%
 25%

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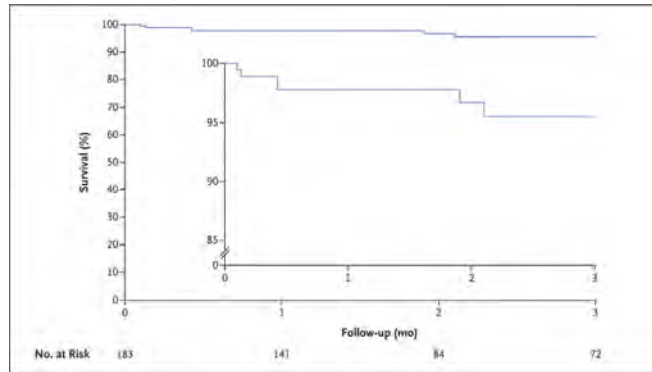


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Success of transplantation for COVID-19

- Analysis of UNOS Registry from 8/1/2020-9/30/2021
- 214 of the 3039 US lung transplants performed (7.0%) were performed for Covid-19-related respiratory failure

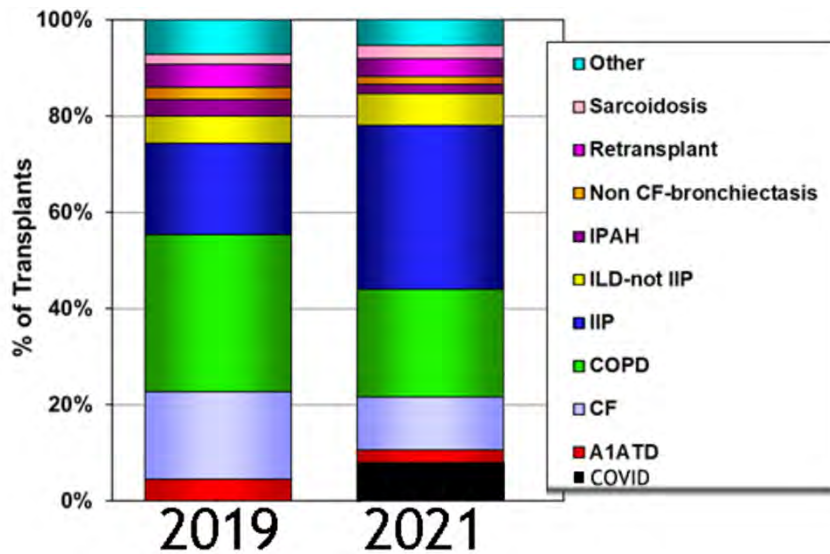


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Indications for lung transplantation



ISHLT Registry 2019 and hypothesis of 2021



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Waitlist implications

2019 SRTR Report

2759 lung transplants performed in the US

Zero transplants for COVID19

Waitlist mortality of 14.6%

UNOS Data

~2800 lung transplants performed in the US over 12 month period

214 (7% of all) transplants performed for COVID-19

Waitlist mortality unknown

Roach et al. N Engl J Med 2022
Valapour et al. Am J Transplant 2021



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Interim Summary

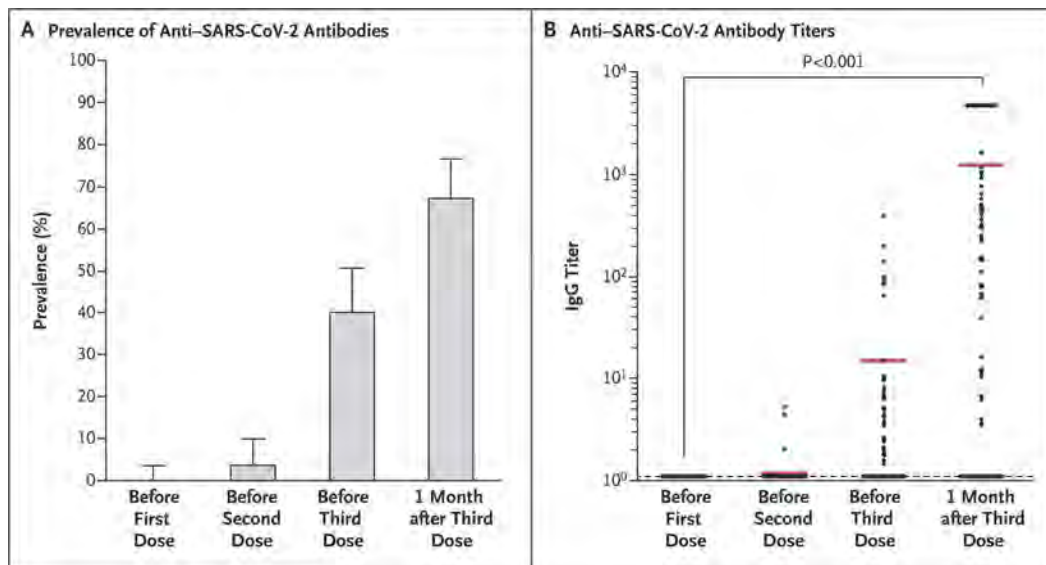
- Lung transplantation is a successful option for treatment of COVID19
- Ethical considerations include consent process and transplantation of patients without being able to discuss risks and benefits
- Patients with COVID-19 will have a high allocation score
- Need to find the “sweet spot”
- Concern for increased waitlist mortality in other diagnoses



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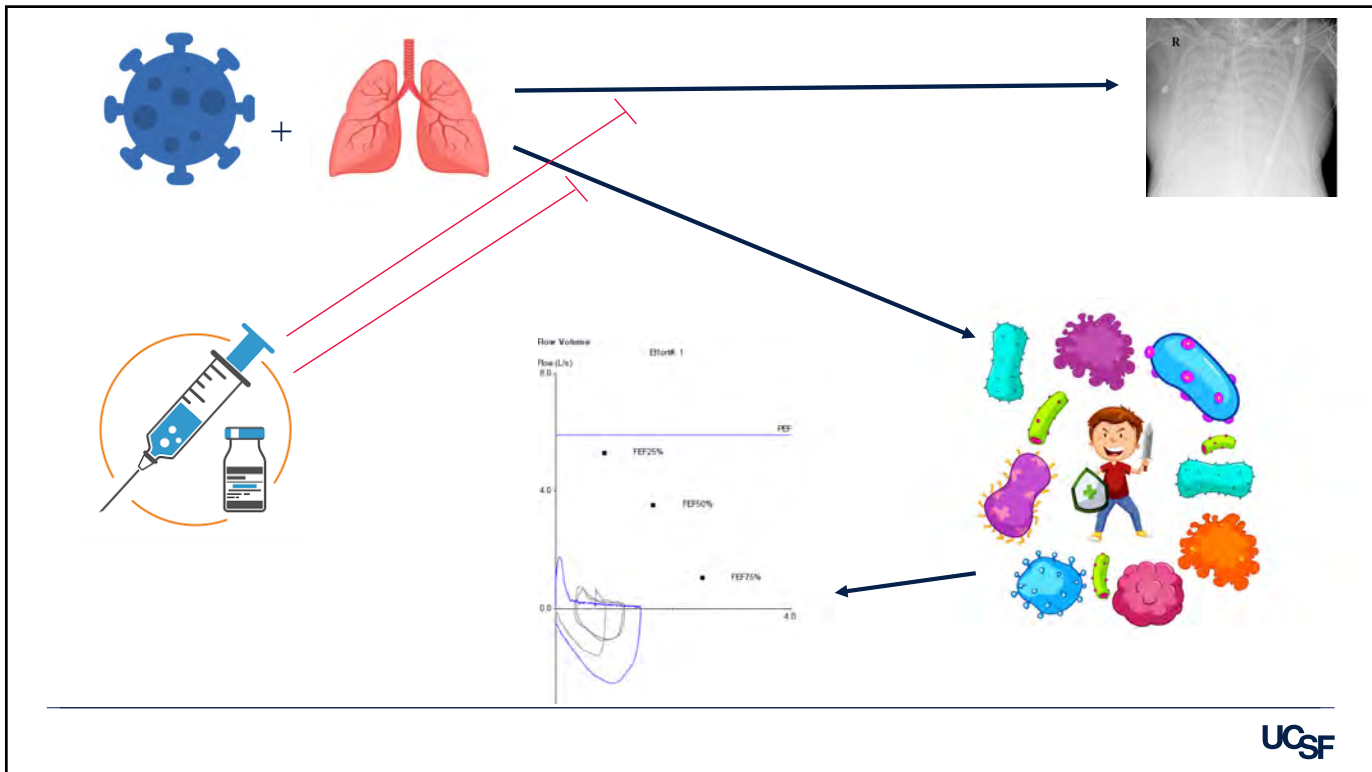
How the COVID-19 Vaccine impacts transplant

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Should patients with end-stage lung disease be required to obtain the COVID-19 Vaccine prior to listing for transplantation?

Yes - this is a marker of adherence to therapy

No - It is a personal decision that should not influence listing

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UW Medicine to deny organ transplants to unvaccinated patients

By FOX 13 News Staff | Published October 6, 2021 | COVID-19 in Washington | Q13 FOX



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BBC

Unvaccinated man denied heart transplant by Boston hospital

The 31-year-old father-of-two refuses to get the shot, but the hospital says it is following policy.

1 month ago

Medscape

Organ Transplantation: Unvaccinated Need Not Apply

They published a firm stand on transplant candidacy and COVID-19 vaccination

2 weeks ago

Post and Courier

MUSC will remove 23 patients from transplant waiting list for ...

MUSC surgeons perform kidney, heart, lung and liver transplants in ... At MUSC, a COVID-19 vaccine is only

4 weeks ago

Fox News

North Carolina man would rather 'die free' than get vaccine needed for life-saving transplant

North Carolina man says he's willing to "die free" rather than get the coronavirus vaccine in order to receive a kid

1 month ago

Newsweek

Patients Waiting for Life-Saving Organ Transplant to Be Denied Treatment Unless Vaccinated

In Queensland, Australia, patients will have to be vaccinated against the coronavirus in order to receive vital organ transplants.

Dec 6, 2021



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Business Insider

Georgia man, 24, refused COVID-19 vaccine then needed lung transplant

A man who refused a coronavirus vaccine was infected and needed a lung transplant, his mom said. Blake Bargatze, 24
Jul 19, 2021

WebMD

Man Refusing COVID Vaccine Later Needs Lung Transplant

Lung transplants are rare for COVID-19 patients but sometimes necessary for those who dor
Jun 18, 2021

8NewsNow.com

New mom battling COVID needs lung transplant weeks after giving birth

"Like so many pregnant women she held off on getting the vaccine until she got the A-okay from her OB," her sister, Paula ...
Oct 8, 2021

The Courier

Findlay COVID patient receives lung transplant

Kodie Edler intended to get vaccinated against COVID-19. He hadn't gotten around to it yet, but planned to get his shot after returning home...
Sep 11, 2021



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Should patients with COVID-19 be offered lung transplantation even if they were not vaccinated?

Yes - no vaccine needed **A**

Yes - provided they accept the vaccine post-COVID-19 but before listing **B**

No - this is a risk factor for non-compliance **C**

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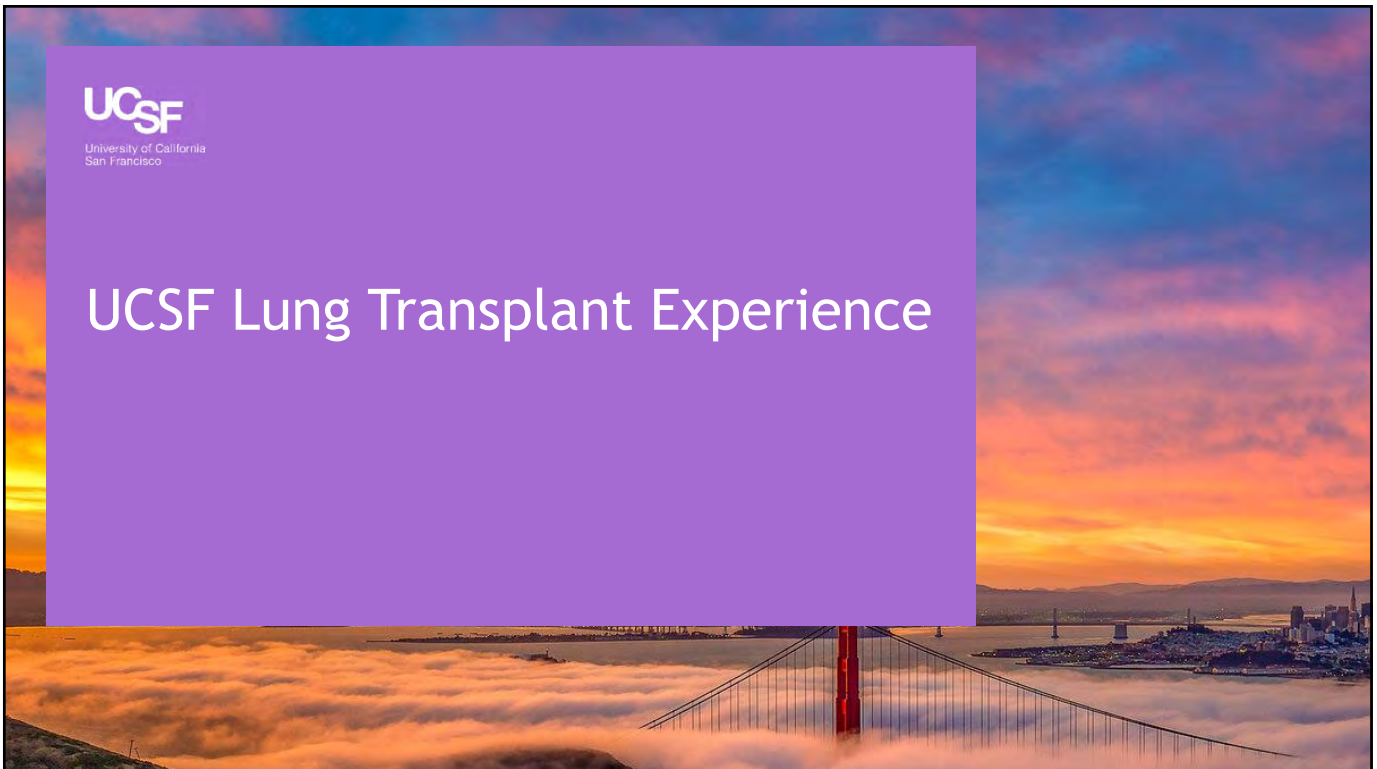


Current State at UCSF

- No mandatory requirement yet, however, this is in the works
- Patients with respiratory failure from COVID-19 will be required to accept vaccine prior to listing once policy is in approved by ethics and legal departments



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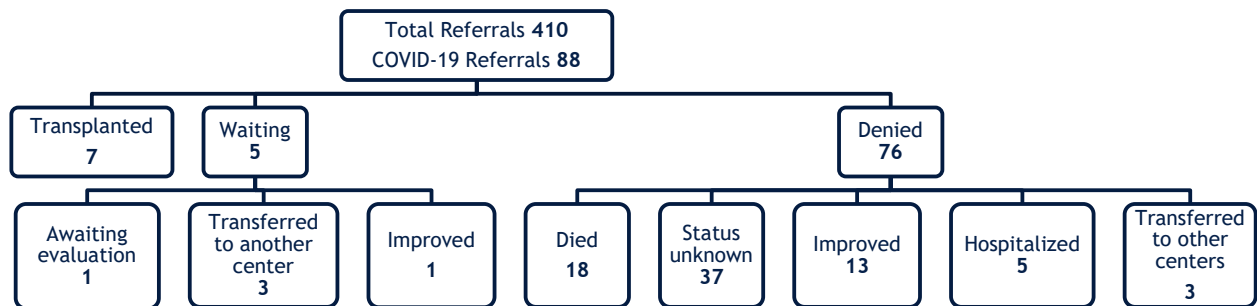
Lung Transplant Criteria for COVID-19 at UCSF

- Age < 55 years old
- Single organ failure
- BMI < 32
- COVID-19 negative, 2 PCR nasal/BAL one-week apart
- Patient should be awake and able to discuss lung transplantation
- Patient should be able to participate in physical rehabilitation
- At least 8-week from acute illness
- Radiologic evidence of irreversible lung disease



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Lung Transplant Referrals



UCSF referrals from January 4, 2021, to February 22, 2022



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Lung Transplant Denials

Denials	76
Age >55	4
More than 1 organ	11
BMI >32	11
COVID-19 positive at time of referral	2
Sedated	19
Acute illness	17
Insurance denial	11
Unknown	1

UCSF referrals from January 4, 2021, to February 22, 2022



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Characteristics of Lung Transplant Recipients

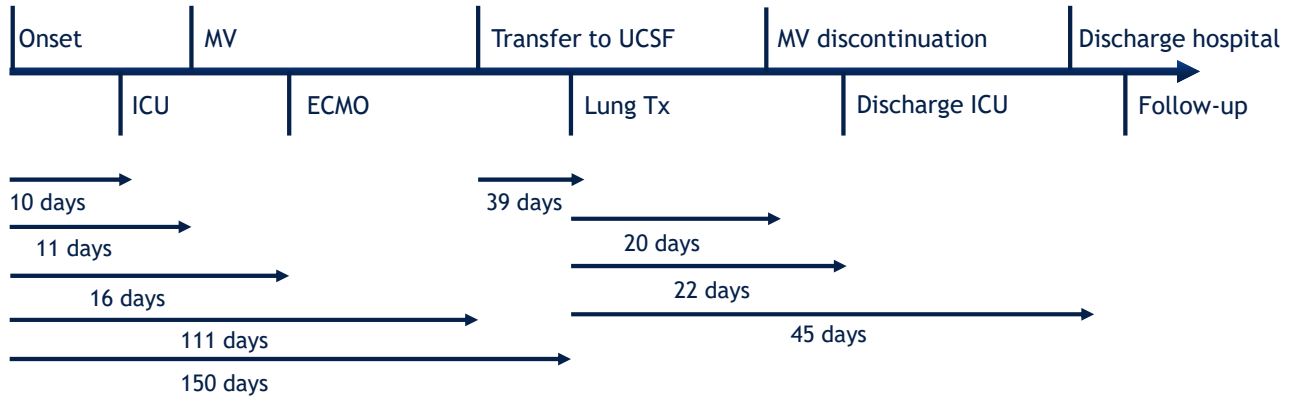
Patient	Characteristics							Medical history				
	Gender	Age	Race	BMI, kg/m ²	Support	Duration	Date LTx	Smoking History	HTN	DM	CKD	Vaccination ^a
1	M	55	Latinx	19.1	No	183	2/1/21	No	No	No	No	No
2	M	51	Caucasian	20.7	ECMO	90	4/12/21	No	No	No	Yes	No
3	M	41	Latinx	20.8	ECMO	172	5/23/21	No	Yes	No	No	No
4	M	52	Latinx	22.0	ECMO	182	5/28/21	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
5	M	47	Latinx	25.6	ECMO	168	6/28/21	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
6	M	48	Latinx	24.4	ECMO	91	7/22/21	No	No	No	No	No
7	F	38	Latinx	23.9	ECMO	164	10/1/21	No	No	No	No	No

^a All patients were vaccinated after lung transplantation



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Timeline of Treatment Phases



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Outcomes

Outcomes, n=7

Length of MV, days (SD)	20 ± 25
ICU LOS (SD)	22 ± 18
Hospital LOS (SD)	45 ± 41
Complications	
CVVH	2 (29%)
Bleeding	1 (14%)
Pneumonia	2 (29%)
Critical Illness Neuropathy	3 (43%)
Psychological Symptoms	3 (43%)
Antibody Mediated Rejection	1 (14%)
Survival	
Alive	5 (71%)
Dead	2 (29%)

One death attributed to graft failure
One death from suicide unrelated to graft function



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COVID-19 Infection in Lung Transplant Recipients

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COVID-19 Infection

- 3/20/2020-12/18/20
 - 18 LTx recipients were diagnosed with COVID-19 infection.
 - 89% of patients had 2 or more comorbidities
 - Clinical presentation ranged from mild to severe, 11% of patients were monitored at home and 89% required hospitalization.
 - Of those hospitalized, 50% were treated in the intensive care unit (ICU).
 - The survival rate of COVID-19 in this population was 94%.

Table 1: Demographics of COVID-19 LTx Population

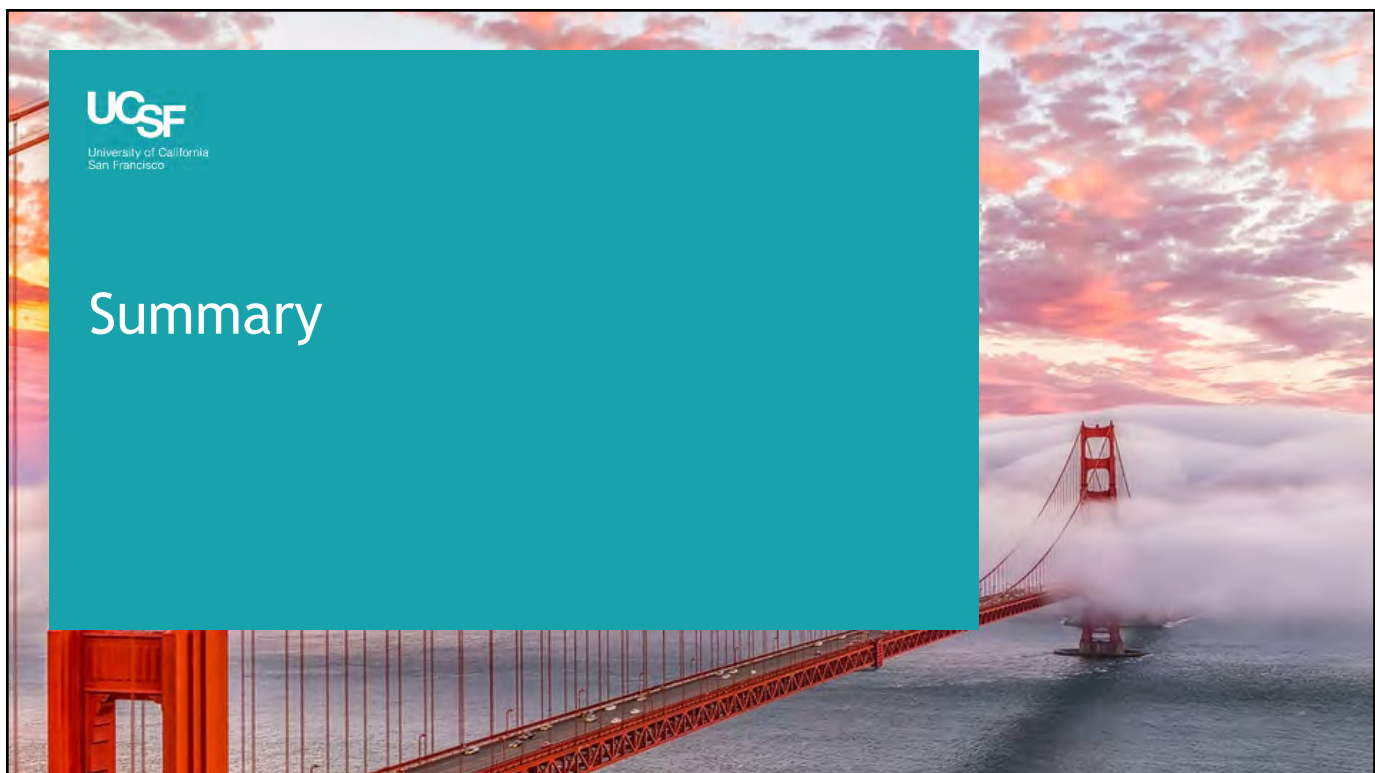
Age (years)	55.1 (SD ± 3.0)
Male (n, %)	11 (61.1%)
BMI (kg/m ²)	30.8 (SD ± 6.4)
Latinx (n, %)	9 (50%)
Hypertension (n, %)	13 (72.2%)
Diabetes Mellitus (n, %)	11 (61.1%)
CKD (n, %)	7 (38.9%)
Obesity (n, %)	7 (38.9%)

LTx = lung transplant; BMI = body mass index; CKD = chronic kidney disease; SD = standard deviation. Obesity defined as BMI > 30 kg/m²

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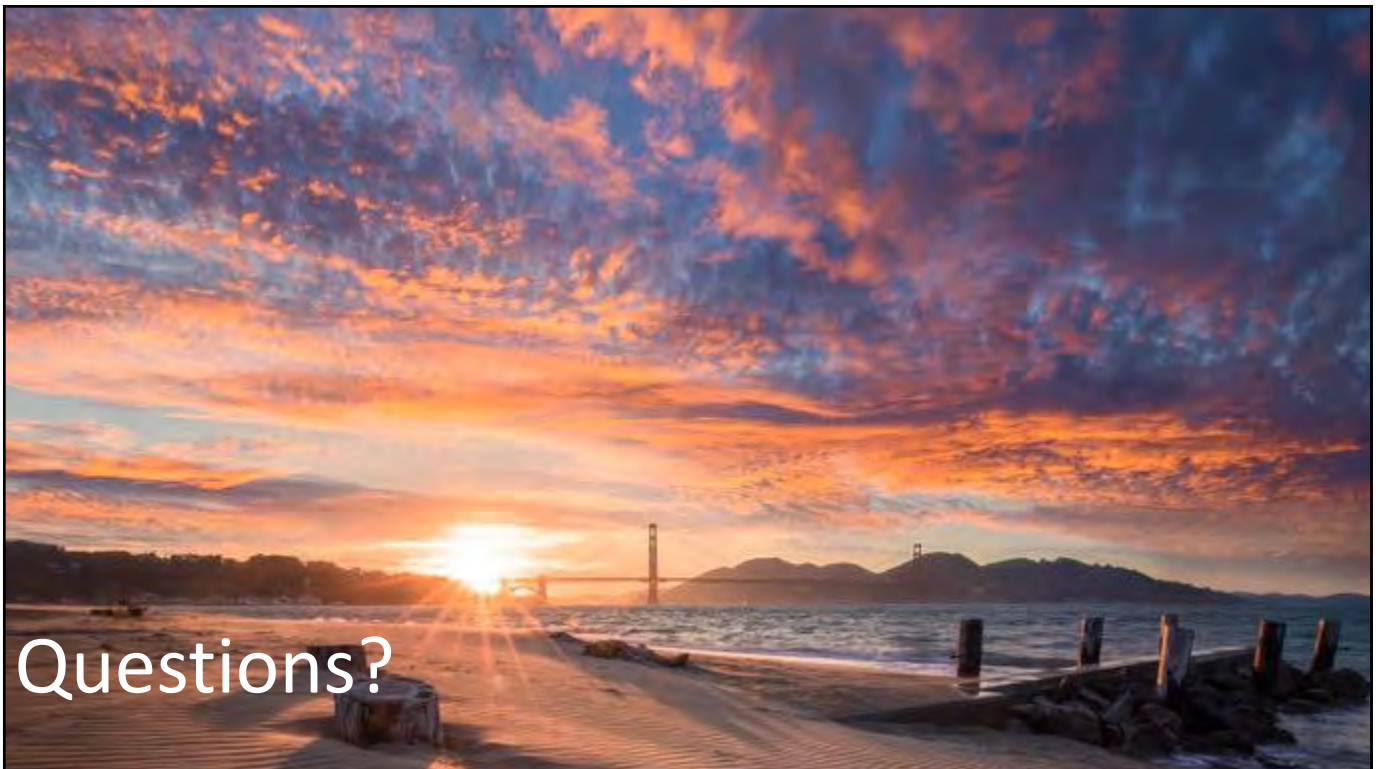
COVID-19 Infection

- 1/3/22-2/7/22
 - 46 patients diagnosed with COVID-19
 - 31 patients received outpatient therapy
 - Sotrovimab
 - Nirmatrelvir-Ritonavir
 - Molnupiravir
 - 12 patients required hospitalization admission



Summary

- Lung transplantation is a successful option for end-stage lung disease
- Transplantation for COVID-19 should be done in patients who meet similar criteria to others with end-stage lung disease
- Patients face different issues surrounding expectations for life after transplant when the indication is for COVID-19
- Need to find the “sweet spot” between when transplant is done too early and when it is done too late





Long COVID Pulmonary Management: Establishing Post-COVID-19 Models of Care

11:35 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.

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Establishing Post-COVID Care: Lessons Learned from UCSF's OPTIMAL Clinic

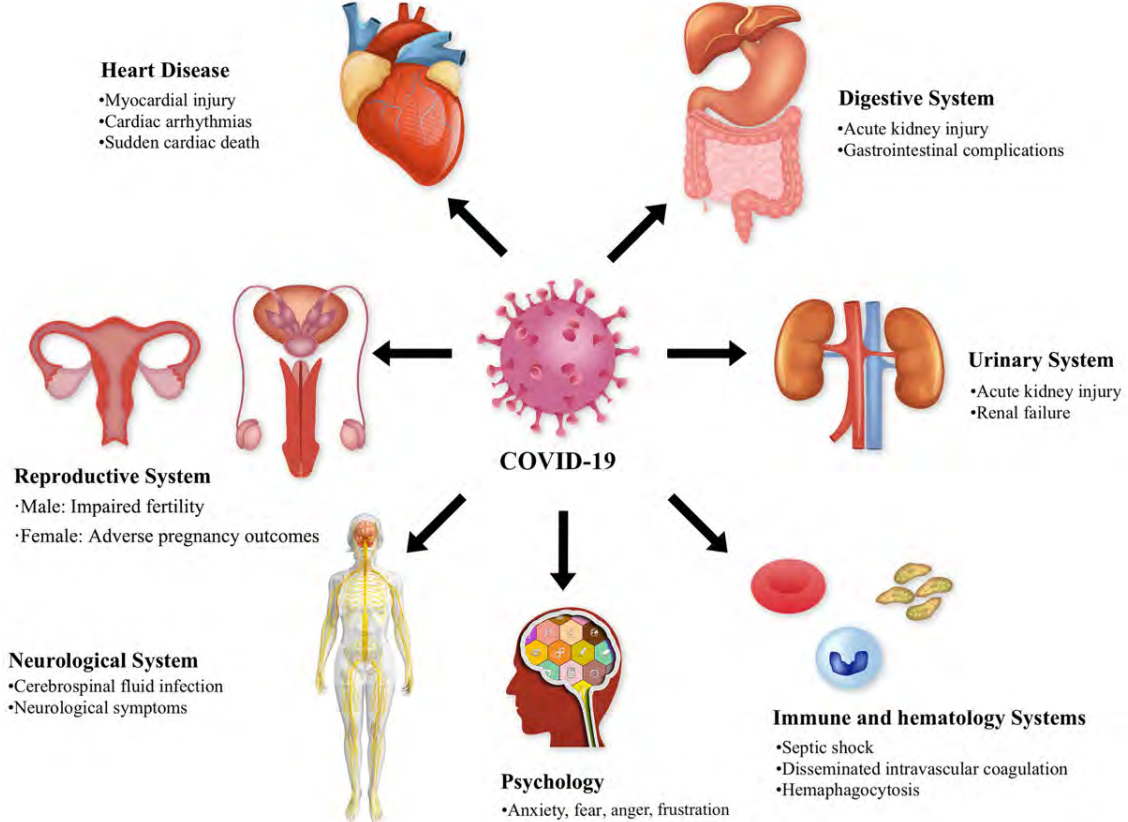


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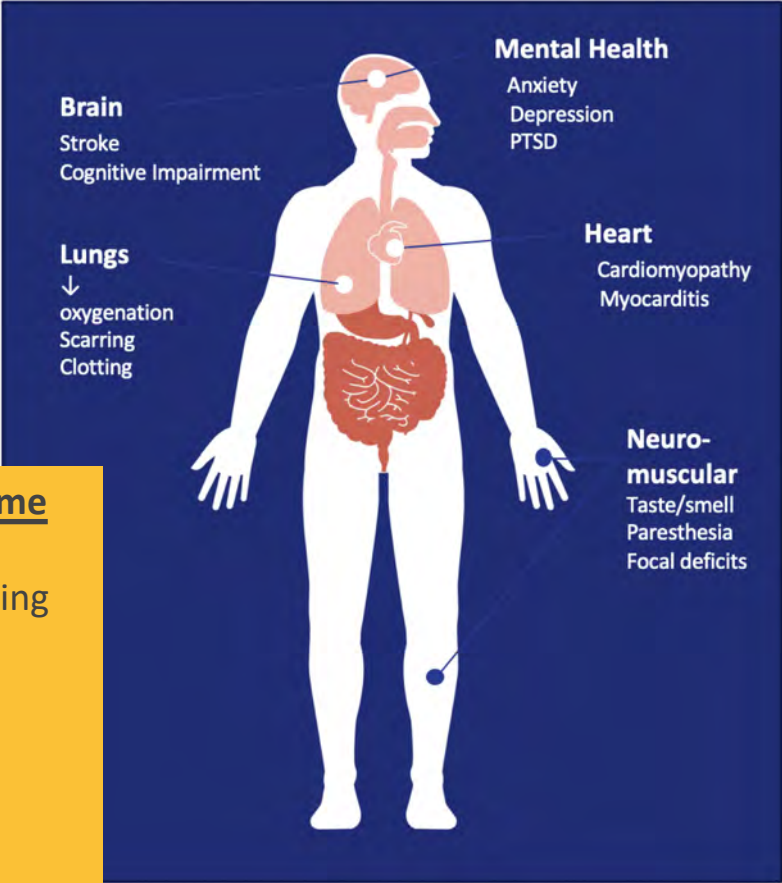
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COVID-19 Is A Multi-Organ System Disease Acutely...



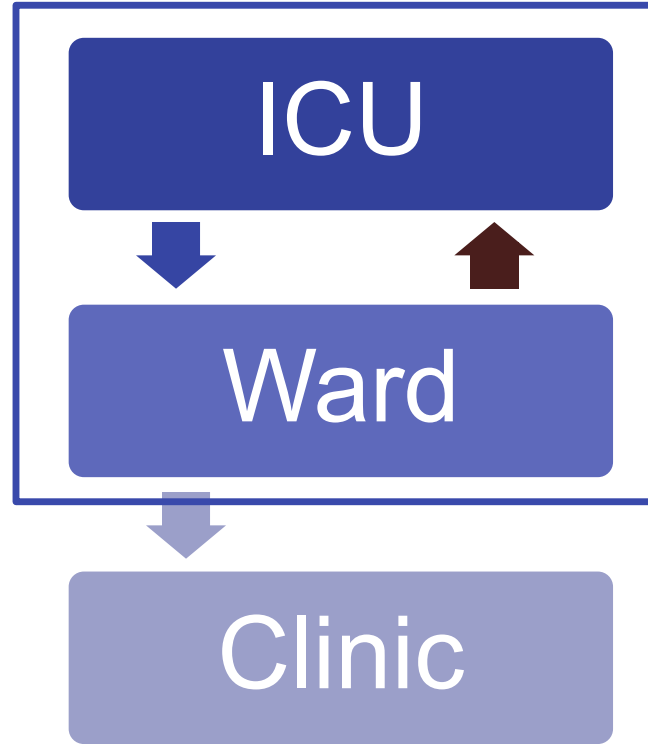
...And Long(er) Term Outcomes



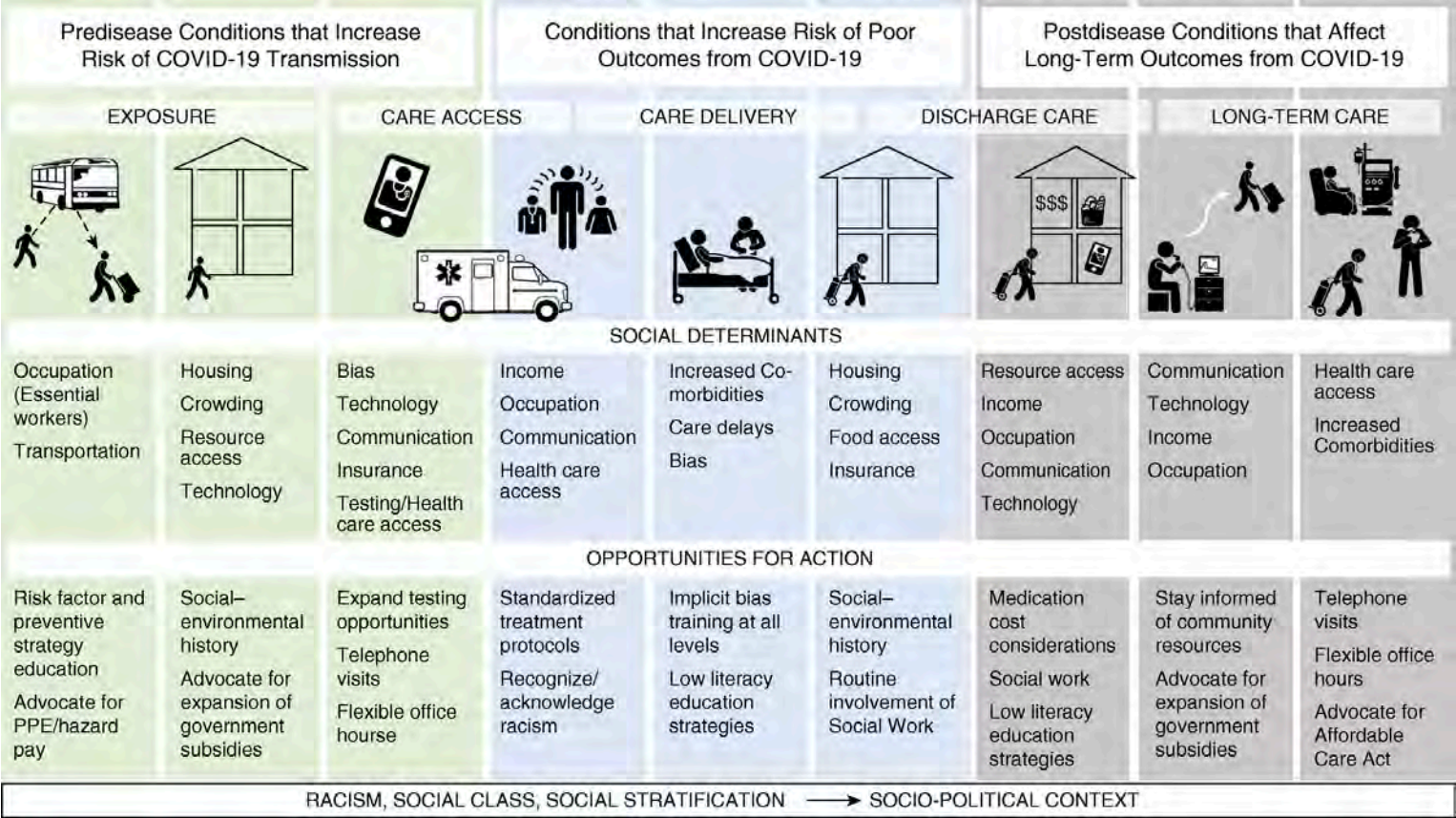
- Post-COVID Syndrome**
(Long-hauler)
- Waxing and waning
 - Fatigue
 - Paresthesia
 - Cognitive impairment
 - Dyspnea
 - Palpitations

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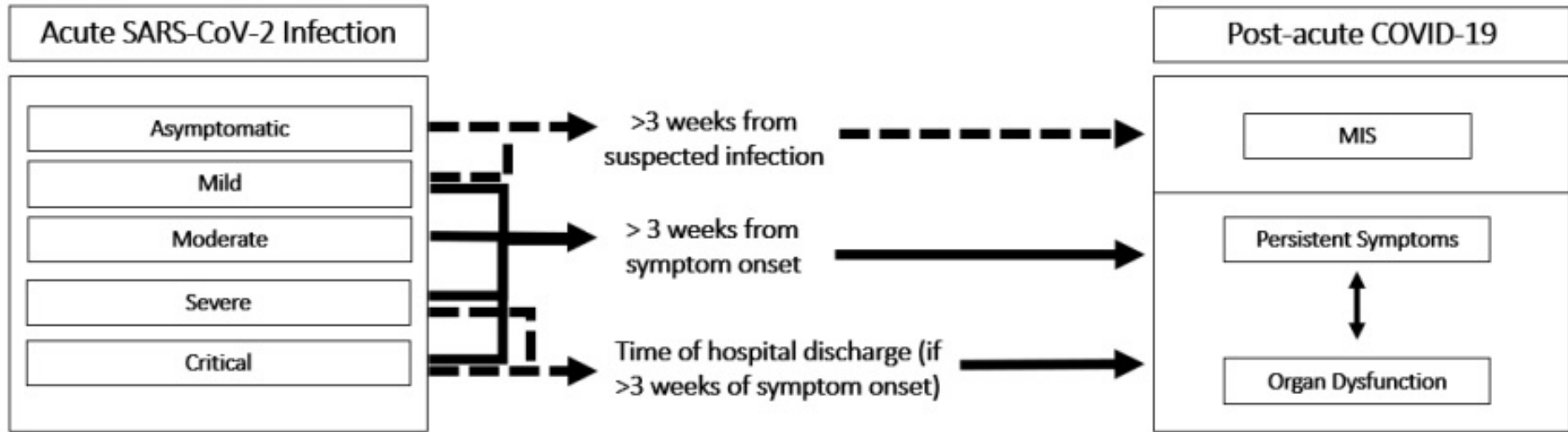
Patients Traverse Multiple Contexts



Disparities & Access to COVID-19 Care



Symptoms Not Necessarily = Organ Dysfunction



Evaluating and Caring for Patients with Post-COVID Conditions: Interim Guidance



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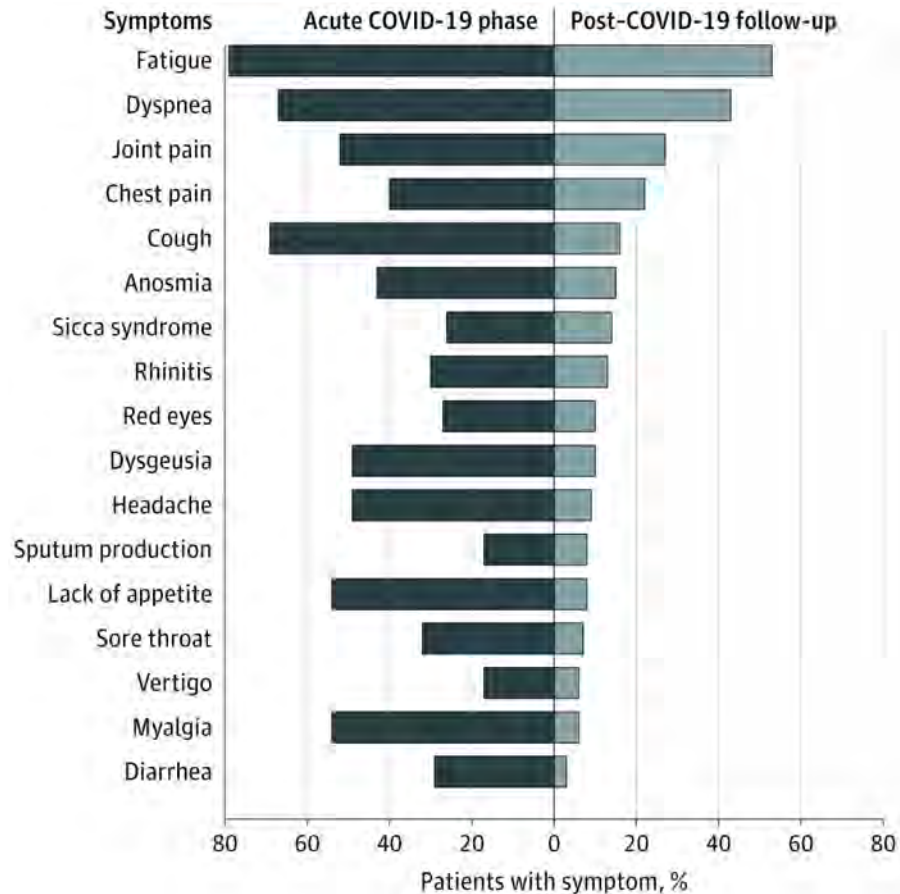
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- **Objective laboratory or imaging findings should not be used as the only measure or assessment of a patient's well-being; lack of laboratory or imaging abnormalities does not invalidate the existence, severity, or importance of a patient's symptoms or conditions.**
- Healthcare professionals and patients are encouraged to set achievable goals through shared decision-making and to approach treatment by **focusing on specific symptoms (e.g., headache) or conditions (e.g., dysautonomia)**; a comprehensive management plan focusing on improving physical, mental, and social wellbeing may be helpful for some patients.
- Understanding of post-COVID conditions remains **incomplete and guidance for healthcare professionals will likely change** over time as the evidence evolves.

New WHO Case Definition

Post COVID-19 condition occurs in individuals with a **history of probable or confirmed SARS-CoV-2 infection, usually 3 months from the onset of COVID-19 with symptoms that last for at least 2 months and cannot be explained by an alternative diagnosis.** Common symptoms include **fatigue, shortness of breath, cognitive dysfunction** but also others (see **Table 3** and **Annex 2**) which generally have an **impact on everyday functioning.** Symptoms may be **new onset**, following initial recovery from an acute COVID-19 episode, or **persist** from the initial illness. Symptoms may also **fluctuate** or **relapse** over time. A separate definition may be applicable for children.

Illness Trajectory: What happens after recovery?



Newer Data Reaffirming

Long-term effects of COVID-19

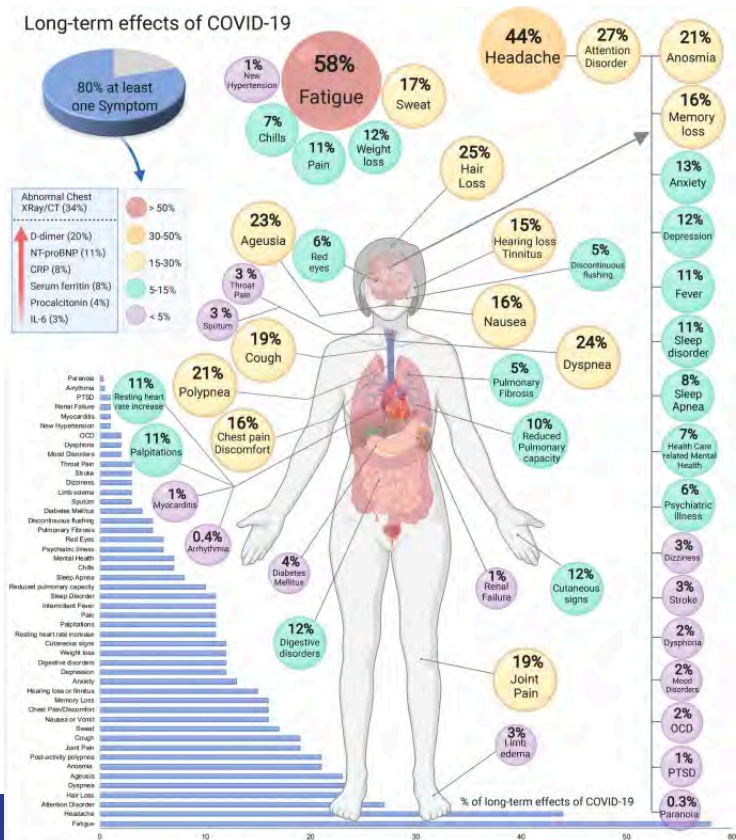
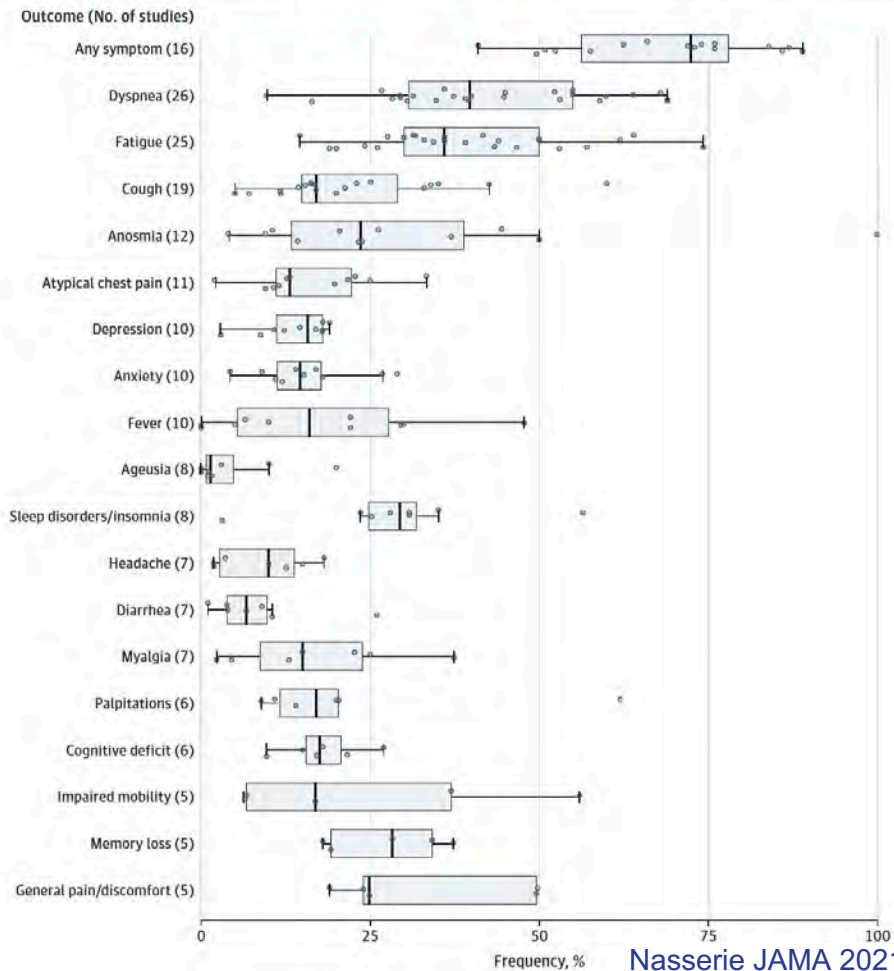


Figure 1. Reported Frequencies of Symptoms Examined by 5 or More Studies





PATIENT CARE

Post-COVID-19 clinics help survivors recover

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This Doctor Understands Her Long-Term Covid Patients—She's Been One Herself

CNN health Food Fitness Wellness Parenting Vital Signs

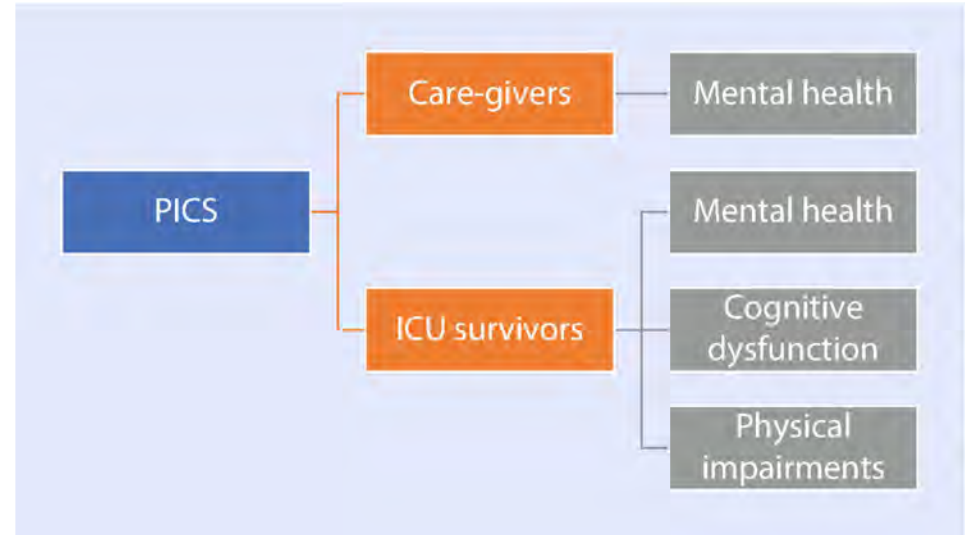
Post-Covid clinics get jump-start from patients with lingering illness

What happens if Covid-19 symptoms don't go away? Doctors are trying to figure it out.

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Post-Intensive Care Syndrome (PICS): Our Framework

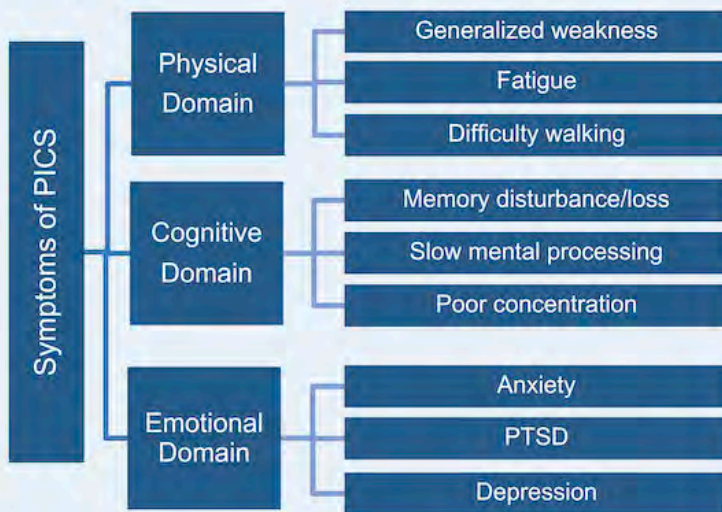
- Holistic approach to caregivers & patients - translatable to COVID
 - Pulmonary impairments
 - Physical impairments
 - Cognitive dysfunction
 - Mental Health



POST-INTENSIVE CARE SYNDROME (PICS)

Critical illness survivors suffer from new or worsening impairments in the physical, cognitive, or behavioral domains.

These unintended consequences of critical care are referred to as PICS.



COMMON RISK FACTORS

- ICU length of stay ≥ 24 hours
- Prolonged immobilization
- Severity of illness
- Older age (≥ 65)
- Female gender



- Prior psychiatric illnesses
- Prior cognitive impairment
- Lower socioeconomic status

- Exposure to glucocorticoids
- Prolonged use of sedation and/or analgesia drips
- Hyperglycemia

PREVENTION AND SCREENING

Implementation of the ABCDEF bundle

- Spontaneous awakening and breathing trials
- Choice of sedation and analgesics
- Delirium screening and prevention
- Early mobilization
- Family presence at bedside



Use of validated scales to screen and guide targeted treatments

- Delirium screening (CAM-ICU)
- Pain assessment (CPOT, VAS)
- Sedation titration (RASS)

CRITICAL CARE RECOVERY PROGRAMS

Critical care recovery clinics

- Multidisciplinary teams including intensivists, nurses, physical/occupational therapists, pharmacists, spiritual care specialists, palliative care specialists, social workers, and others
- Bridge gaps in transition of care; screen and treat PICS
- Can be conducted in person or via telehealth

Peer-to-peer support groups

- Online or in person



PICS IN CAREGIVERS

- Family and loved ones who provide the needed care and support can also develop some of the same mental and emotional symptoms of PICS; referred to as PICS-family or PICS-F

Learning Objectives

By the end of this lectures, learners will be able to...

- Anticipate the most common residual symptoms following hospitalization for COVID-19 pneumonia in adults, focusing on 4 major symptom domains:
 - Pulmonary
 - Physical Health
 - Cognitive Function
 - Mental Health
- Define strategies for assessing and managing post-COVID-19 hospitalization clinical needs in the outpatient setting



One of my Patients: From COVID ICU to Post-COVID Clinic

Mrs. L is an 83-year-old Spanish-speaking woman recently discharged following hospitalization for COVID-19 pneumonia. She has T2DM, HTN, and hearing loss. She lives with her daughter, who is her DPOA.

She is discharged to subacute rehab at a local skilled nursing facility.

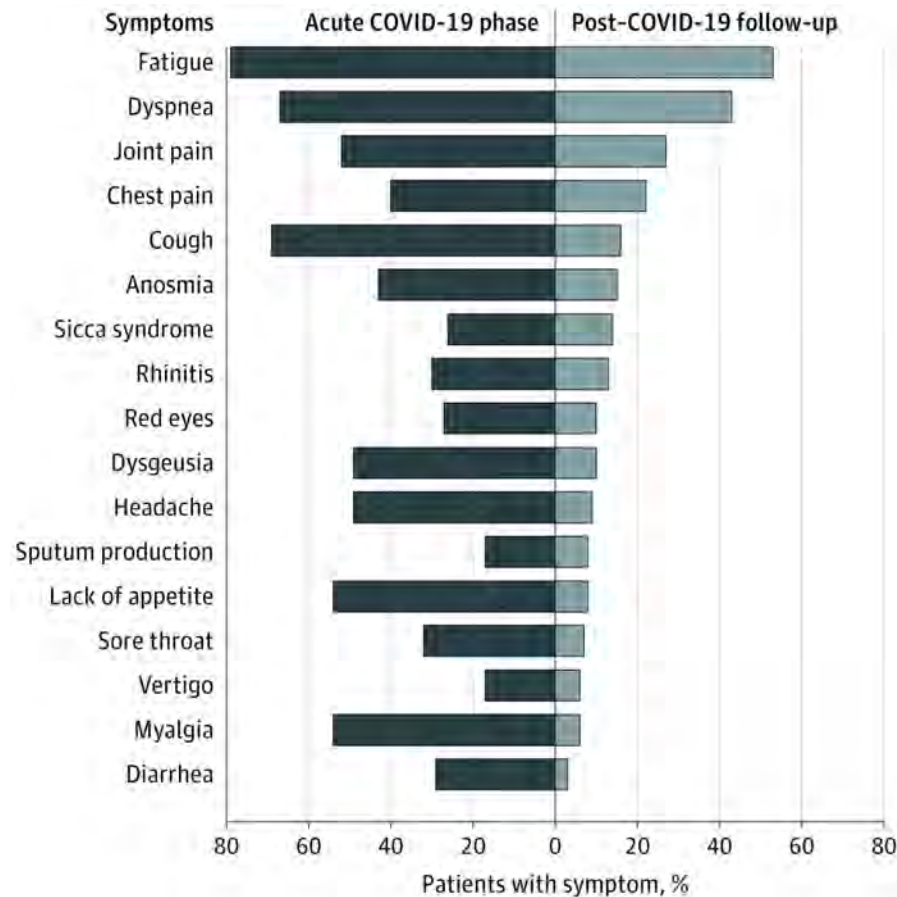
During hospitalization she required HFNC in the ICU. She is discharged home on room air, yet remains breathless, anxious, and socially isolated.

Persistent Pulmonary Sx

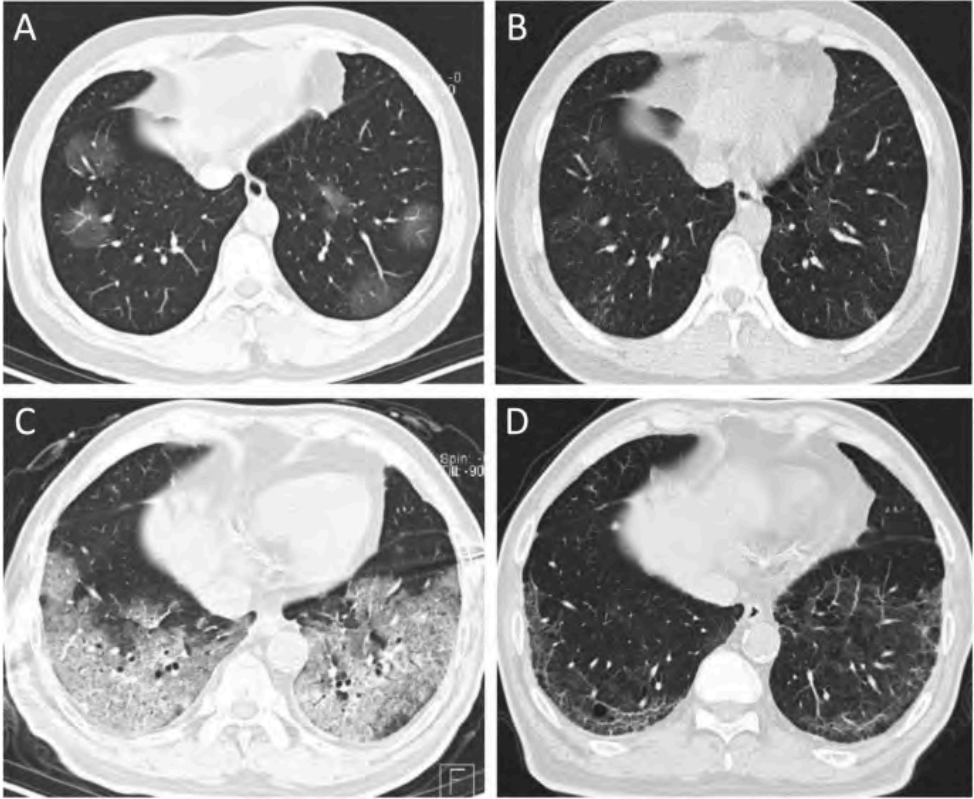
**ARS Q: For her persistent
dyspnea, you should:**

- A. Order a Chest CT
- B. Order PFTs
- C. Order Pulmonary Rehab
- D. Schedule 1 month follow-up

Illness Trajectory: What happens after recovery?

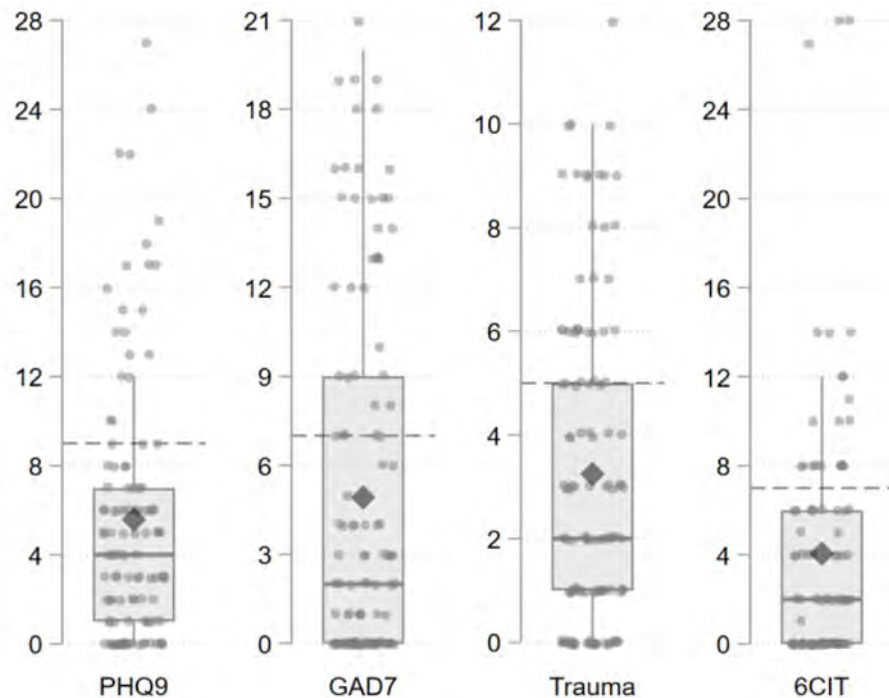
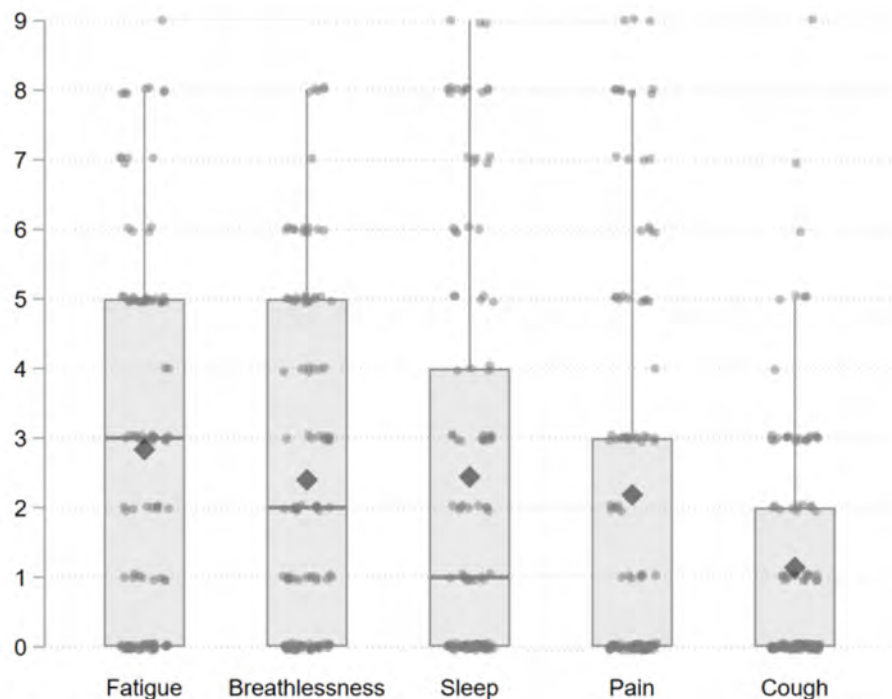


Persistent Pulmonary Issues...But Compared to What?





Chest radiography is a poor predictor of respiratory symptoms and functional impairment in survivors of severe COVID-19 pneumonia



ARDS Survivors Have Persistent PFT Abnormalities

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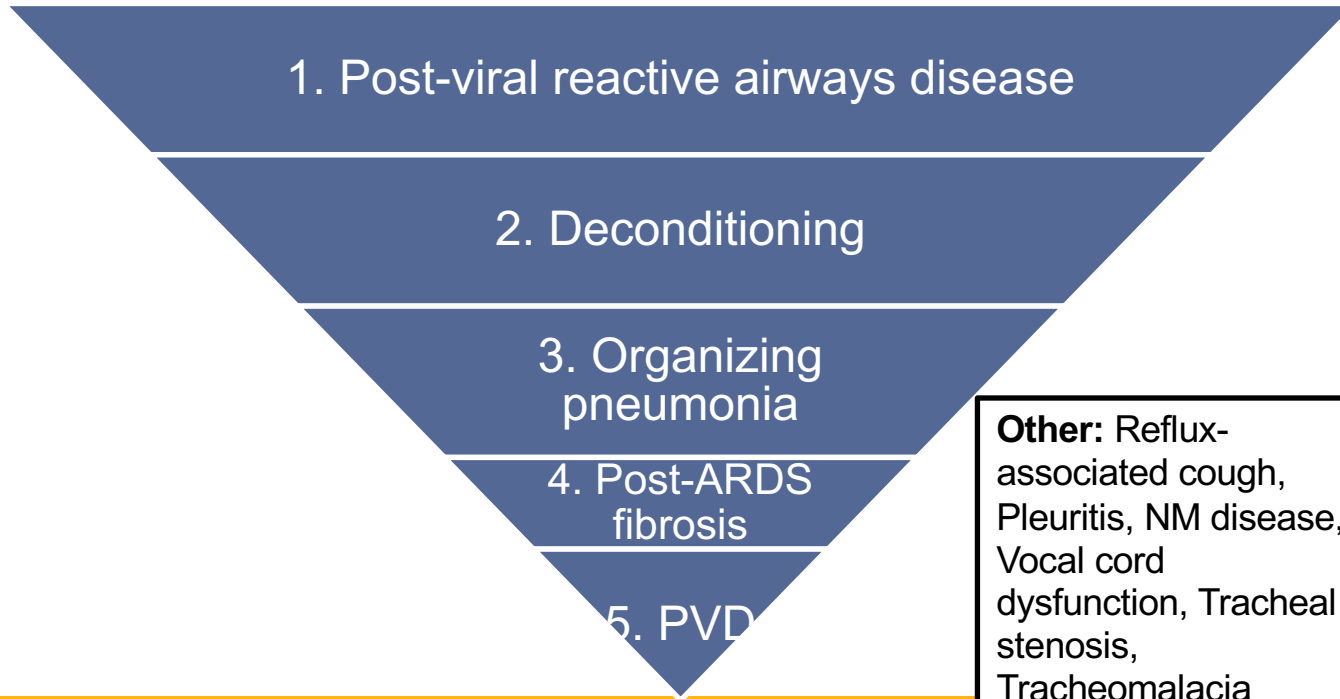
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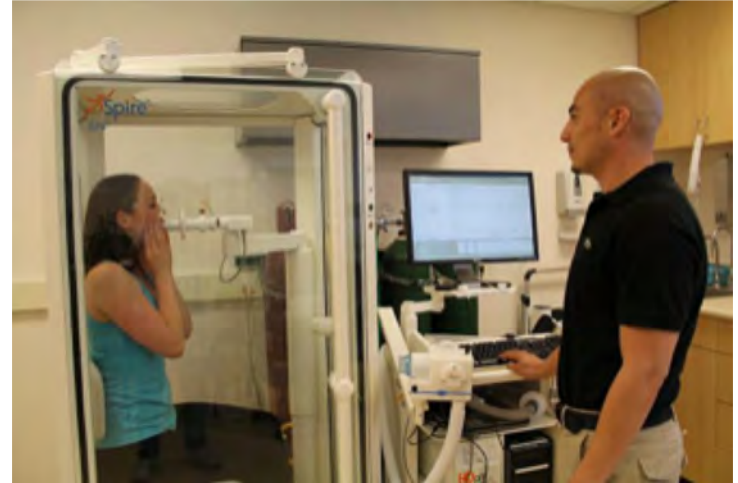
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Differential – Persistent Dyspnea



UCSF OPTIMAL Approach to Diagnostics

- Pulmonary Function Tests
 - I like to include 6MWT
- If DLCO is low, consider CT chest
- Also consider TTE
- Labs:
 - CBC w/ diff, ESR/CRP, Thyroid, +/- CPK



Audience Response Question #1

She is reporting persistent dyspnea at the 1-month follow-up visit. Do you:

- A. Recommend PFTs
- B. Recommend Chest CT
- C. Recommend TTE
- D. **Recommend a 3-mo follow-up visit**

Persistent Physical Sx

**Back to our Patient:
From COVID ICU to
Post-COVID Clinic**

She remains physically quite deconditioned and weak in addition to her baseline frailty. She reports severe fatigue, worse with exertion.

Audience Response Question #2

For her severe fatigue, do you recommend:

- A. Consider physical therapy
- B. Recommend graded exercise
- C. Short-course of corticosteroids
- D. A & B

Fatigue Symptoms During the First Year Following ARDS



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BACKGROUND: Fatigue is commonly reported by ARDS survivors, but empirical data are scarce.

RESEARCH QUESTION: This study evaluated fatigue prevalence and associated variables in a prospective study of ARDS survivors.

STUDY DESIGN AND METHODS: This analysis is part of the ARDSNet Long-Term Outcomes Study (ALTOS) conducted at 38 US hospitals. Using age- and sex-adjusted, time-averaged random effects regression models, we evaluated associations between the validated Functional Assessment of Chronic Illness Therapy-Fatigue Scale with patient and critical illness variables, and with physical, cognitive, and mental health status at 6 and 12 months following ARDS.

RESULTS: Among ARDS survivors, 501 of 711 (70%) and 436 of 659 (66%) reported clinically significant symptoms of fatigue at 6 and 12 months, respectively, with 41% and 28% reporting clinically important improvement or worsening ($n = 638$). At 6 months, the prevalence of fatigue (70%) was greater than that of impaired physical functioning (50%), anxiety (42%), and depression (36%); 46% reported both impaired physical function and fatigue, and 27% reported co-existing anxiety, depression, and fatigue. Fatigue was less severe in men and in those employed prior to ARDS. Critical illness variables (eg, illness severity, length of stay) had little association with fatigue symptoms. Worse physical, cognitive, and mental health symptoms were associated with greater fatigue at both the 6- and 12-month follow-up.

INTERPRETATION: During the first year following ARDS, more than two-thirds of survivors reported clinically significant fatigue symptoms. Due to frequent co-occurrence, clinicians should evaluate and manage survivors' physical, cognitive, and mental health status when fatigue is endorsed.

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KEY WORDS: acute lung injury; cognitive function; depression; disability; rehabilitation

FOR EDITORIAL COMMENT, SEE PAGE 1007

ABBREVIATIONS: AFACHE III = Acute Physiology and Chronic Health Evaluation III; FACIT-F = Functional Assessment of Chronic Illness Therapy-Fatigue Scale; SF-36v2 = Short Form-36 Version 2

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More than 2/3rds of ARDS survivors reported clinically significant fatigue symptoms 1 year after discharge.

Post-Hospital syndrome & Older Adults

- Post-hospitalization/ICU risks
 - Weakness/Disability
 - Delirium
 - PTSD
- Critical to assess the 4Ms of Age-Friendly Care:
 - What **M**atters
 - **M**edication
 - **M**entation
 - **M**obility
- Home rehab guide for home exercise, Pulm rehab referral?



What Matters

Know and align care with each older adult's specific health outcome goals and care preferences including, but not limited to, end-of-life care, and across settings of care.

Medication

If medication is necessary, use Age-Friendly medication that does not interfere with What Matters to the older adult, Mobility, or Mentation across settings of care.

Mentation

Prevent, identify, treat, and manage dementia, depression, and delirium across settings of care.

Mobility

Ensure that older adults move safely every day in order to maintain function and do What Matters.

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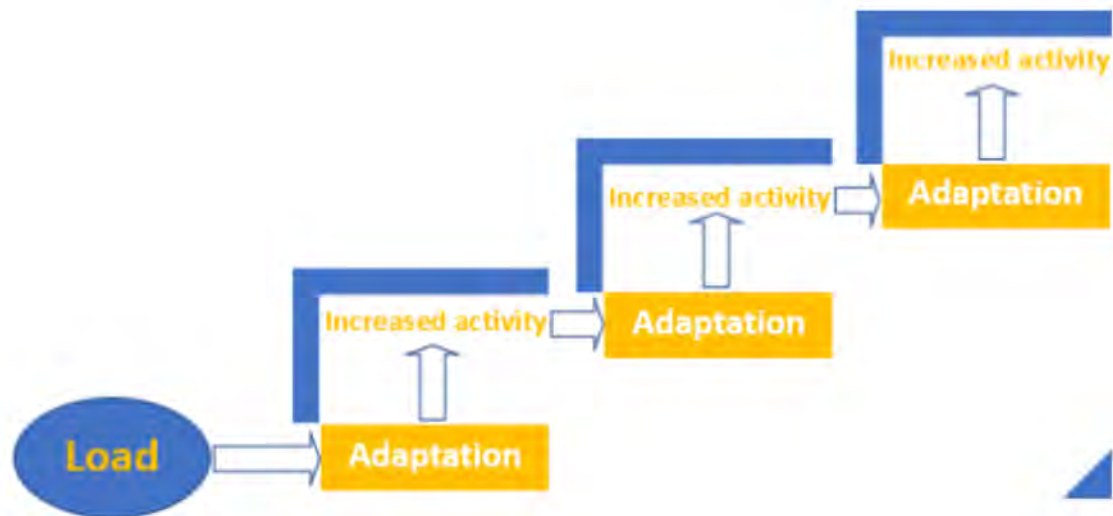


Figure 3: Progressive or graded increase in activity to increase functional capacity

Bouncing Back From COVID-19

Your Guide to Restoring Movement



Audience Response Question #2

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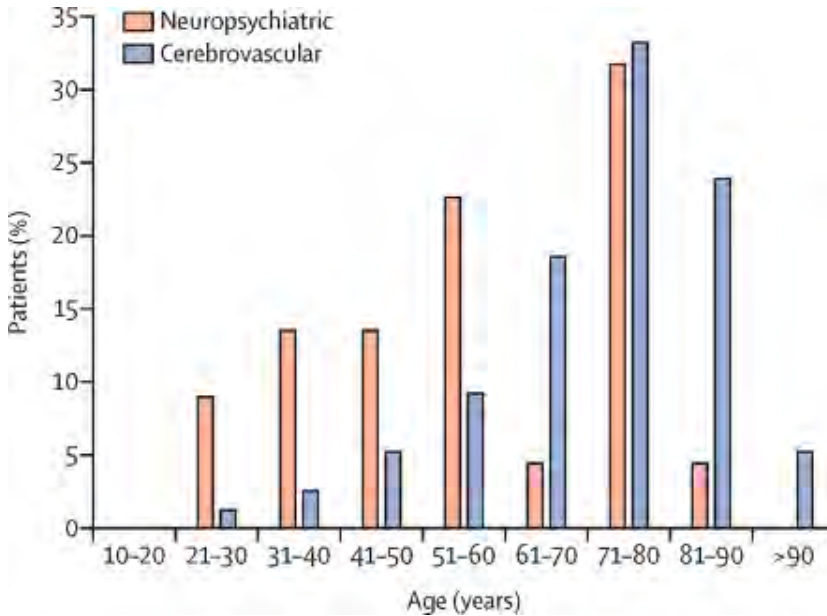
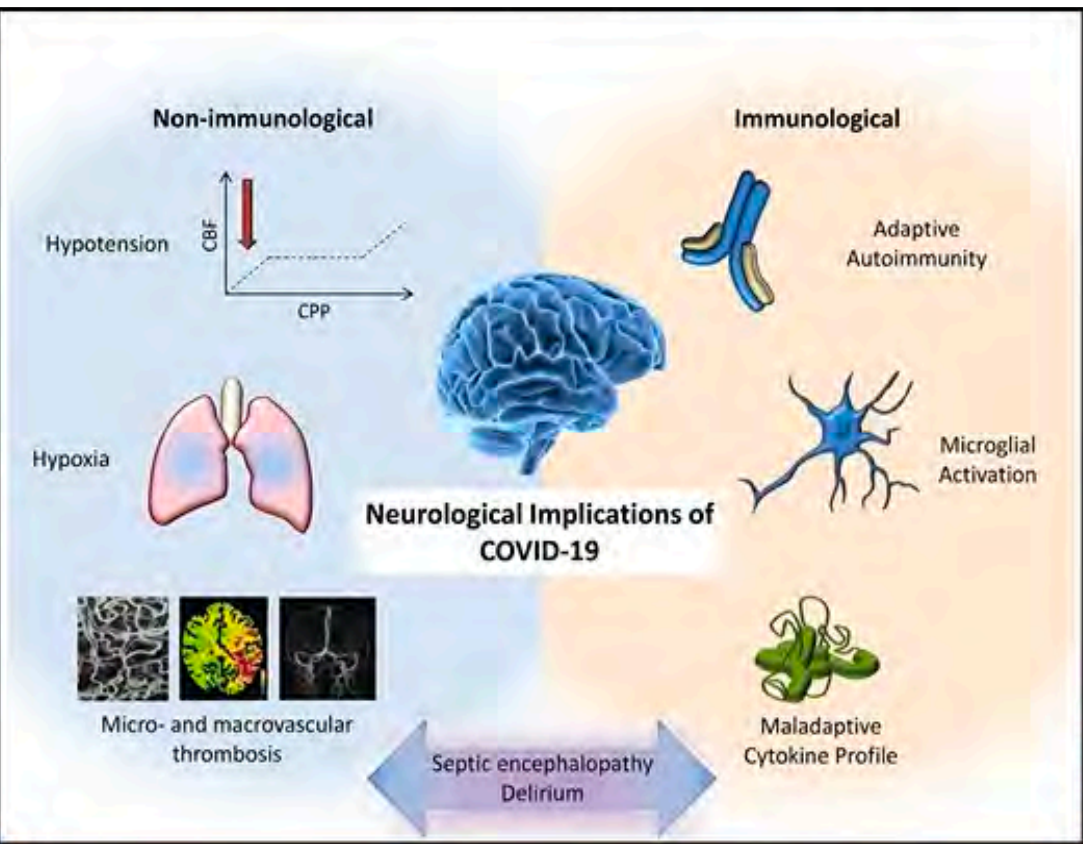
- A. Consider physical therapy
- B. Recommend graded exercise
- C. Short-course of corticosteroids
- D. **A & B**

Persistent Cognitive & Mental Health Sx

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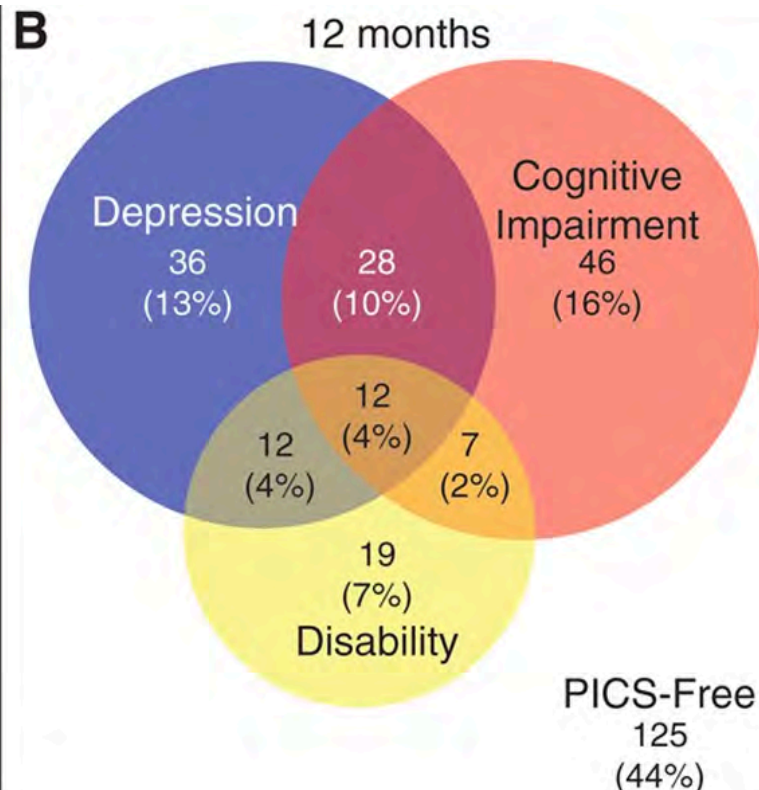
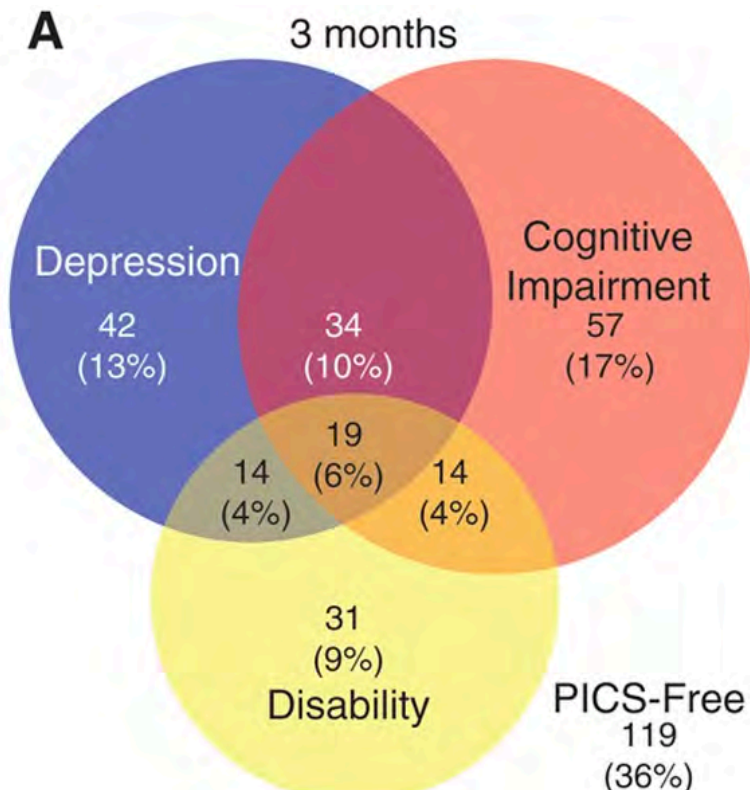
She reports ongoing anxiety and fears going back to the grocery store because of worries about infecting others or getting re-infected.

As Many as “1 in 5” Report Persistent Cognitive Sx

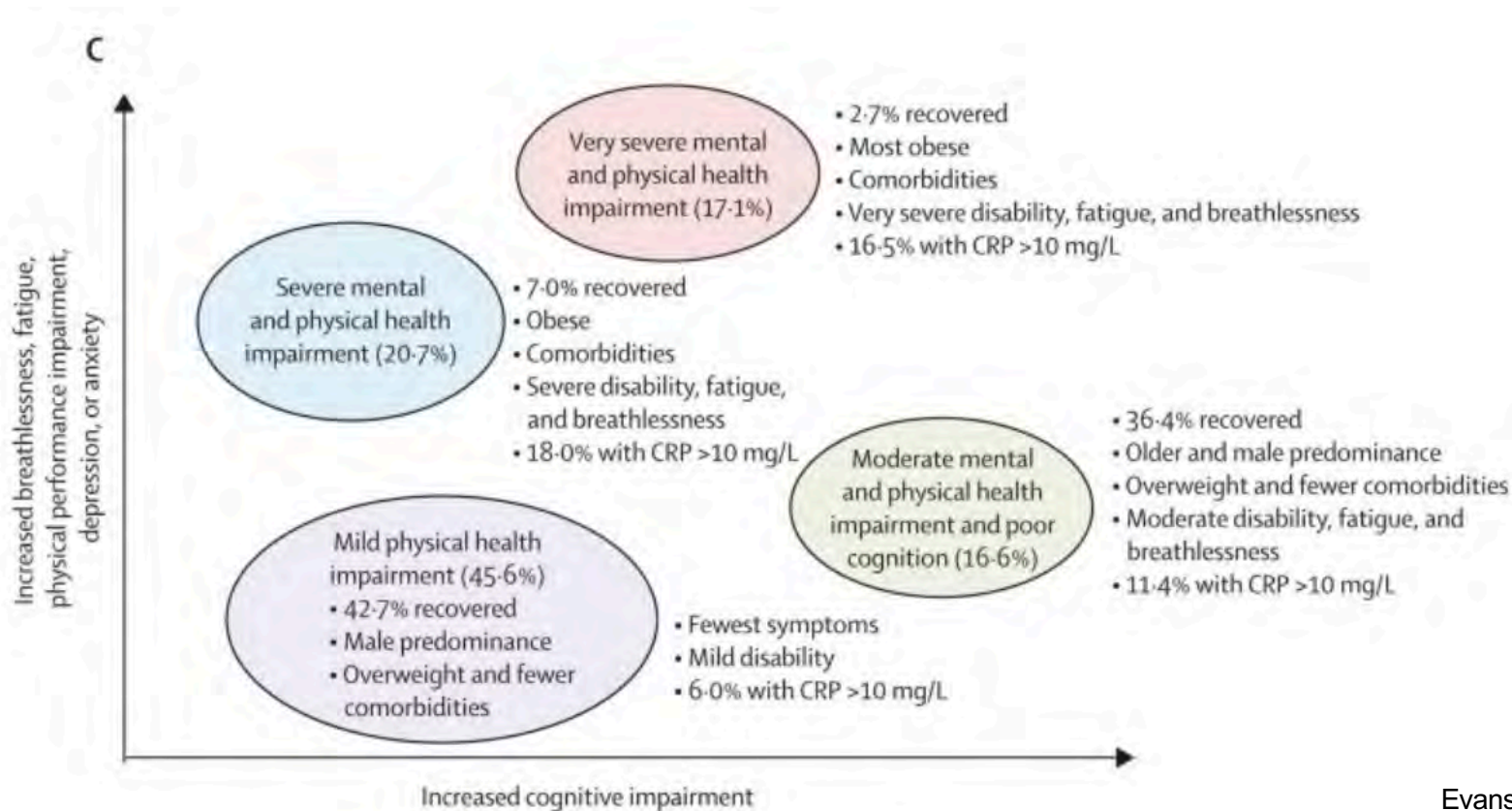


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Depression, Cog Issues, Disability Are Intertwined



We See The Same With COVID-19



A “Delirium Factory”, as Dr. Wes Ely Puts It



The New York Times

Account ▾

‘They Want to Kill Me’: Many Covid Patients Have Terrifying Delirium

Paranoid hallucinations plague many coronavirus patients in I.C.U.s, an experience that can slow recovery and increase risk of depression and cognitive issues.



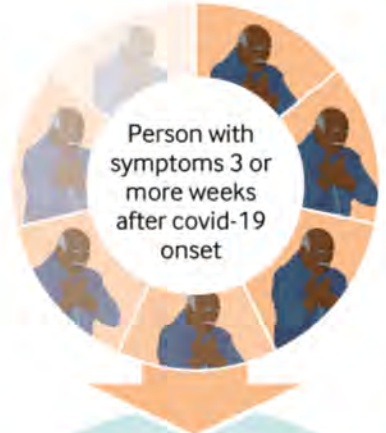
COVID Recovery Resources for Patients: Standard AVS

- **Mental Health:** Reassurance and coping strategies are key, peer support, assess for psych referral/needs for meds
- **Social Isolation/Loneliness:** Older adults and those with many medical problems are at particular risk. Discuss safe socialization and IADL logistics



BMJ Recommendations for PCPs

Post-acute covid-19 appears to be a multi-system disease, sometimes occurring after a relatively mild acute illness. Clinical management requires a whole-patient perspective. This graphic summarises the assessment and initial management of patients with delayed recovery from an episode of covid-19 that was managed in the community or in a standard hospital ward.

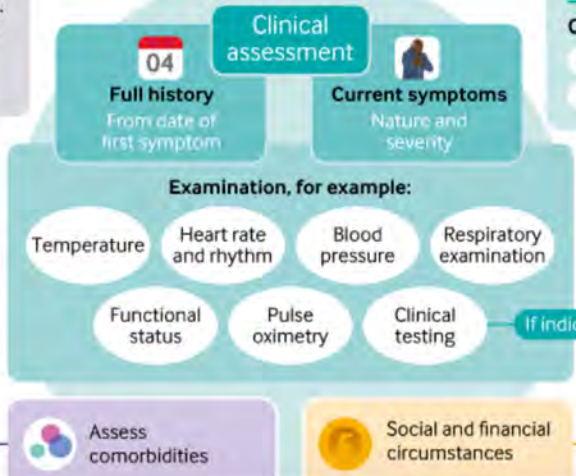


An uncertain picture

The long term course of covid-19 is unknown. This graphic presents an approach based on evidence available at the time of publication. However, caution is advised, as patients may present atypically, and new treatments are likely to emerge.

Managing comorbidities

Many patients have comorbidities including diabetes, hypertension, kidney disease or ischaemic heart disease. These need to be managed in conjunction with covid-19 treatment. Refer to condition specific guidance, available in the associated article by Greenhalgh and colleagues



Investigations

Clinical testing is not always needed, but can help to pinpoint causes of continuing symptoms, and to exclude conditions like pulmonary embolism or myocarditis. Examples are provided below.

Blood tests

- Full blood count
- Electrolytes
- Liver and renal function
- Troponin
- C reactive protein
- Creatine kinase
- D-dimer
- Brain natriuretic peptides
- Ferritin – to assess inflammatory and prothrombotic states

Other investigations

- Chest x ray
- Urine tests
- 12 lead electrocardiogram

Social, financial, and cultural support

Prolonged covid-19 may limit the ability to engage in work and family activities. Patients may have experienced family bereavements as well as job losses and consequent financial stress and food

BMJ Recommendations for PCPs

Safety netting and referral

The patient should seek medical advice if concerned, for example:

- Worsening breathlessness
- PaO₂ < 96%
- Unexplained chest pain
- New confusion
- Focal weakness

Specialist referral may be indicated, based on clinical findings, for example:

- Respiratory** if suspected pulmonary embolism, severe pneumonia
- Cardiology** if suspected myocardial infarction, pericarditis, myocarditis or new heart failure
- Neurology** if suspected neurovascular or acute neurological event

Pulmonary rehabilitation may be indicated if patient has persistent breathlessness following review

Medical management

Symptomatic, such as treating fever with paracetamol

Optimise control of long term conditions

Listening and empathy

Consider antibiotics for secondary infection

Treat specific complications as indicated

Self management

Daily pulse oximetry

Attention to general health

Rest and relaxation

Self pacing and gradual increase in exercise **if tolerated**

Set achievable targets

- Diet
- Sleep
- Quitting smoking
- Limiting alcohol
- Limiting caffeine

poverty. See the associated article by Greenhalgh and colleagues for a list of external resources to help with these problems

Mental health

In the consultation:

- Continuity of care
- Avoid inappropriate medicalisation
- Longer appointments for patients with complex needs (face to face if needed)

In the community:

- Community linkworker
- Patient peer support groups
- Attached mental health support service
- Cross-sector partnerships with social care, community services, faith groups

Post-COVID Clinics

Audience Response Question #3

You decide to refer your patient to a multidisciplinary post-COVID clinic. Is there evidence for such an approach?

- A. Yes
- B. No
- C. I don't know, but how does it work?

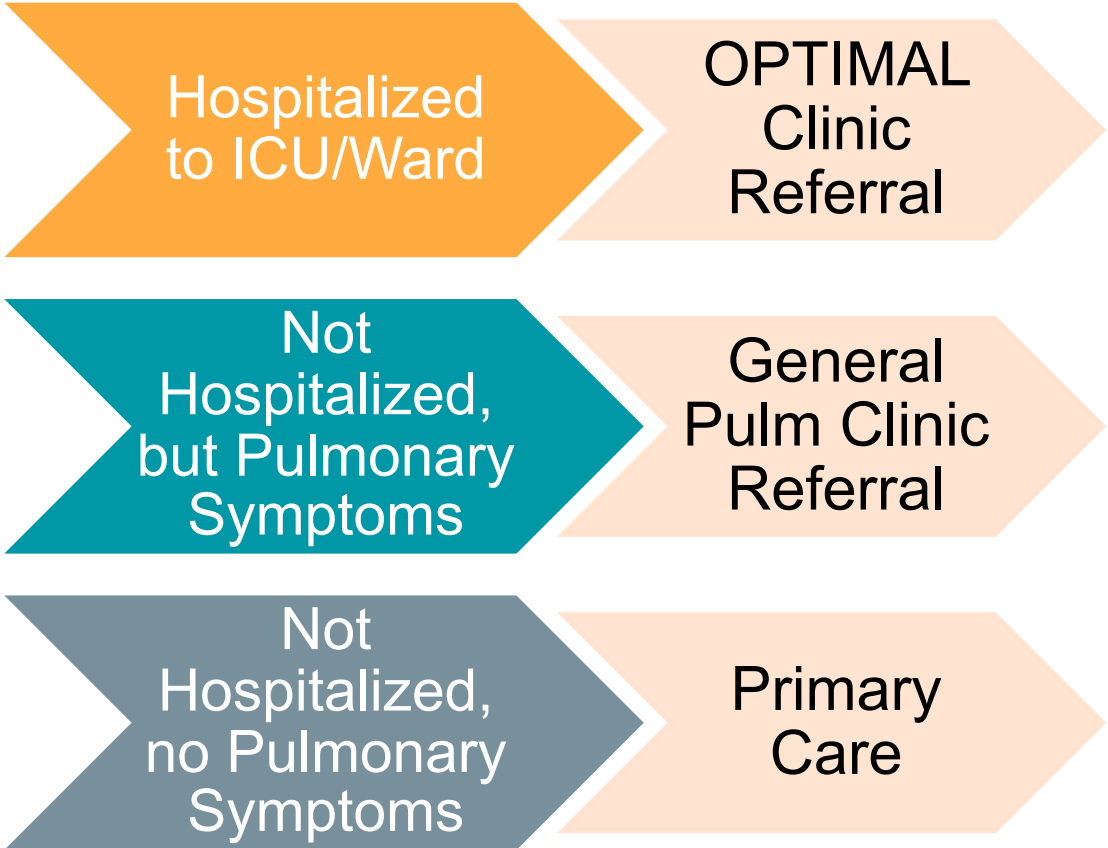
OPTIMAL Clinic: Ambulatory Follow-Up for COVID

(pOst-covid/PosT-Icu MultidisciplinAry cLinic)

- ❑ At UCSF since May 2020: Multidisciplinary Clinic b/w Pulm, Geriatrics, Pharmacy, PT, Mental Health & faculty champions in other Divisions
- ❑ Coordination w/ research teams at UCSF (LIINC & COMET studies)
- ❑ We see patients ~4 weeks post-discharge (virtual visit), ~3 months, 6 months, 9 months, 12 months post-discharge
- ❑ Please refer any patients who were **admitted to the ward or ICU** with COVID-19 – Also expanded to patients at risk for Post-ICU Syndrome

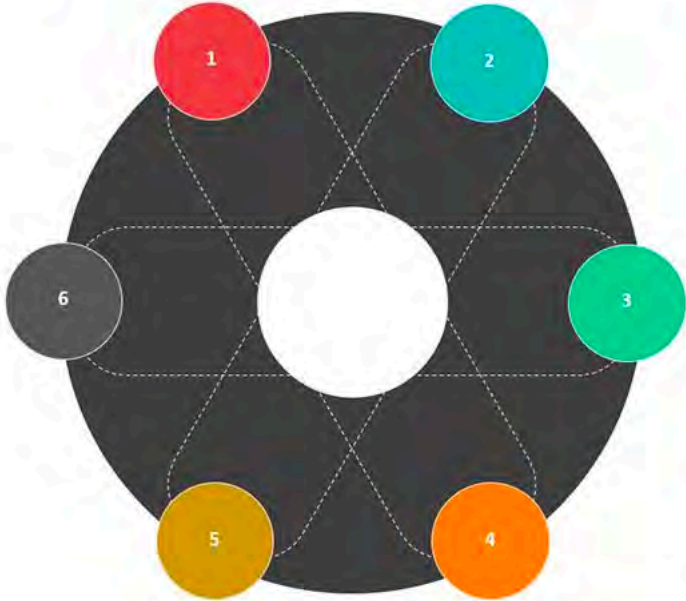


Referral Pathways for Patients with Sx Post-COVID



Outpatient Follow-Up Structure

Hub and Spoke Model



OPTIMAL Hub with Collaborations:

- Integrative Medicine
- Cardiology
- Electrophysiology
- Neuro Recovery Clinic
- Pulmonary Rehab
- Virtual Support Groups
- Psychiatry & Behavioral Health
- Infection Control
- Primary Care

Post-hospitalization Outpatient Follow-up Structure

Our experience:

- Trained mental health research assistant administers structured instruments for:
 - Breathlessness (MMRC, BCSS)
 - Anxiety (GAD-7)
 - Depression (PHQ-9)
 - Cognitive function (MOCA)
 - PTSD (PCL-15)
 - Physical function (AMPAC)
 - Lots of options!
 - ?Screening for SDOH?
- Detailed Med Rec By Pharmacists
- Counseling re: Activity
- Reassurance & Linkage to Resources (Psychiatry, Virtual Pulmonary Rehab)



Illustration: Anna & Elena Balusso, UCSF Magazine

Core Outcome Set (COS) and Core Outcome Measurement Set (COMS) for Clinical Research in Acute Respiratory Failure Survivors

Core Outcome[†]

Core Outcome Measure[‡]
(Recommended Survey/Test if No consensus)

Survival No Instrument Recommend collecting date and location of death	HRQOL EQ-5D (3L or 5L version) Optional: SF-36 v2	Mental Health HADS IESR	Pain EQ-5D Pain Question
Cognition None (MoCA BLIND)	Physical Function None (6MWT)	Muscle and/or Nerve Function None (Manual Muscle Test And Handgrip)	Pulmonary Function None (All measures rejected)

[†]Crit Care Med. 2017; 45:1001-1010 [‡]Am J Resp Crit Care Med. 2017;196:1122-1130.



OPTIMAL Demographics: > 300 Pts Seen

A close-up photograph of a silver stethoscope resting on an open medical book. The book's pages are filled with text, including a section titled "Home Treatment" and another mentioning "West Nile". The word "CAIRO" is prominently displayed in the center of the image, underlined with a blue horizontal line.

CAIRO

Critical and Acute Illness Recovery Organization

Rapid Design and Implementation of Post-COVID-19 Clinics



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Survivors of COVID-19 are a vulnerable population, with complex needs because of lingering symptoms and complications across multiple organ systems. Those who required hospitalization or intensive care are also at risk for post-hospital syndrome and post-ICU syndromes, with attendant cognitive, psychological, and physical impairments, and high levels of health care utilization. Effective ambulatory care for COVID-19 survivors requires coordination across multiple subspecialties, which can be burdensome if not well coordinated. With growing recognition of these needs, post-COVID-19 clinics are being created across the country. We describe the design and implementation of multidisciplinary post-COVID-19 clinics at two academic health systems, Johns Hopkins and the University of California-San Francisco. We highlight components of the model which should be replicated across sites, while acknowledging opportunities to tailor offerings to the local institutional context. Our goal is to provide a replicable framework for others to create these much-needed care delivery models for survivors of COVID-19.

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One of my Patients: From COVID ICU to Post-COVID Clinic

During our OPTIMAL Clinic visit, we assessed Mrs. L & counseled her and her daughter about anticipated recovery. We recommended gradual aerobic exercise, using a home pulse oximeter, & consideration of PRN inhalers. The integrated mental health support of the visit greatly alleviated the patient's stresses & she "felt a lot better after talking to them." We provided reassurance & recommendations for local resources & set f/u appointment for 3 months.

All that “Long-Hauls”
is not COVID.

Avoid anchoring &
keep ddx broad
throughout.



Take Home Points

1. COVID long-term symptoms & complications can affect **multiple organs**
2. Dyspnea **may not correlate** w/ radiographic abnormalities
3. A comprehensive **multidisciplinary** approach is important to address disability, fatigue, neuropsych sx
4. Lots of **uncertainty** remains & further research will help outline best next steps

Gratitude

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Dr. Brian Block, UCSF OPTIMAL

Dr. Neeta Thakur, ZSFG Pulmonary

Dr. Emily Brigham, JHU PACT Clinic

Dr. Ann Parker, JHU PACT Clinic

My indefatigable ICU RNs & RCPs

My incredible patients & their families



Thank You!
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LUNCH
EXHIBIT HALL OPEN

12:20 p.m. – 1:20 p.m.

Hands-On Session: ICU Ventilators, Oxygen Delivery Devices, Manual and Self-Proneing

1:20 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.



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Additionally, he is Adjunct Faculty for the Respiratory Care Program at Ohlone College for Health Sciences and Technology. Justin's clinical interests include enhancing mechanical ventilation delivery through innovation and strategic ventilator practices.



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RRT-ACCS, ECMOS**

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Daniel Stemen is a respiratory therapist working in teaching facilities for the past 15 years and have been with USC since 2010. I co-authored our curriculum for ECLS and am passionate about providing high fidelity simulation training to our staff. I recently graduated with my masters in regulatory science from our school of pharmacy at USC. I love being a respiratory therapist and all the wonderful physicians and nurses that I work with every day. The passion for patients and their families that I witness from our teams keeps me motivated and proud to work in this field.



**BRIAN SMITH, MSRC, RRT
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Brian Smith is currently a Respiratory care educator at UC Davis, specializing in neonatal and pediatric critical care. I have academic interest and pursuits in mechanical ventilation, transcutaneous CO₂ monitoring, high frequency modalities, and currently studying the effects of COVID-19 and RT burnout.



**EMMA BLACKMON, PHD, RN, CCRN
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Emma Blackmon received her PhD from UC Davis in 2016. Her work focused on interprofessional communication and teamwork in the adult ICU setting. She has 16 years of experience in caring for ICU patients, specifically in pulmonary and critical care. Currently, she is the Adult Critical Care Educator at UC Davis Health, focusing on the education and training of adult ICU nurses and ancillary staff, serving as a critical care bedside resource and a member of several interdisciplinary teams.

Non-invasive Positive Pressure Ventilation (NIPPV) – Tip Sheet

Noninvasive ventilation (NIV) has been shown to significantly reduce many of the complications associated with conventional mechanical ventilation, including the incidence of ventilator-acquired pneumonia.¹ Commonly we see S/T as the mode of choice for our patients. This tip sheet will give guidance on the use of pressure control and AVAPS modes.

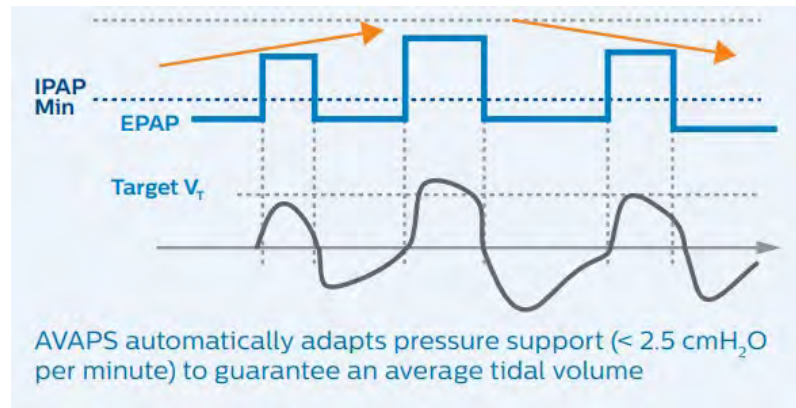
Pressure-controlled ventilation

In pressure-controlled ventilation (PCV), breaths with a user-set IPAP and I-Time are delivered to the patient. The patient can trigger an inspiration and, therefore, control the rate. However, the patient does not control the inspiratory time. Also be aware that any changes in EPAP without an equal change in IPAP will change the pressure support.²

AVAPS (average volume-assured pressure support)

AVAPS is a volume-targeted mode and is intended for use with stable chronic patients who do not require rapid pressure support changes to maintain a target VT. At start-up, AVAPS applies an inspiratory pressure equal to one of the following, whichever is greater:²

- EPAP + (target volume/60 ml/cmH₂O)
- EPAP + 8 cmH₂O
- Pmin



Note: when adjusting AVAPS minimum and maximum pressures, remember that IPAP is adjusted to meet the target value. The V60 ventilator will automatically adjust IPAP (up to 2.5 cmH₂O per minute), to maintain a tidal volume target.²

Remember:

- Because the V60 is intended to augment ventilation in patients who are spontaneously breathing, the rate should be set as a back-up rate in the case of apnea. If the patient fails to trigger a breath through Auto-Trak within the interval determined by the rate setting or cycle time, the ventilator triggers a mandatory breath.²
- Setting I-Time adjusts the inspiratory time for a machine triggered breath, therefore influencing the I:E ratio in V60 machine-triggered breaths. Inspiratory time is controlled by the patient in a patient-triggered breath.²

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Airway Pressure Release Ventilation (APRV) by Dräger Medical and its industry equivalents (i.e., Bi-Level, BiVent, DuoPAP, etc.) can be classified as non-conventional modes of mechanical ventilation that gained clinical popularity given their ability to provide open-lung ventilation while facilitating spontaneous breathing of mechanically ventilated patients. APRV can be defined as “inverse ratio, pressure controlled, intermittent mandatory ventilation [that allows for] unrestricted spontaneous breathing.”¹

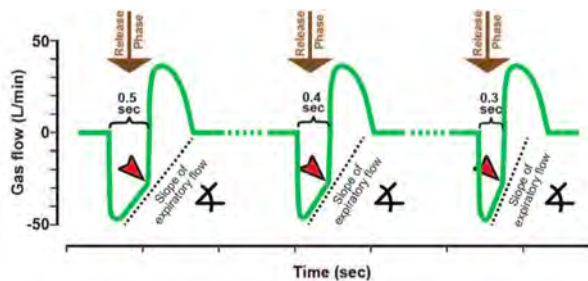
Specific Ventilator Settings

- a. P_{HIGH}: XX cmH₂O
- b. P_{LOW}: XX cmH₂O
- c. T_{HIGH}: XX seconds
- d. T_{LOW}: XX seconds
- e. Adjust FIO₂ to maintain a PaO₂ _____ or SpO₂ _____ %

Recommendations

- a. Attempts should be made to minimize release volume to a target of 4 – 8 mL/kg of predicted body weight (PBW)
- b. Sedation and analgesia should be titrated to Allow for spontaneous minute ventilation (MV_{SPONT}) to equal approximately thirty percent (30%) of the total minute ventilation (MV_{TOTAL})
- c. Once established, avoid adjustments to P_{HIGH} for at least twenty-four (24) hours to maintain optimal “open-lung” ventilation

Setting T_{LOW} in relation to expiratory peak flow



Types of Breaths Observed

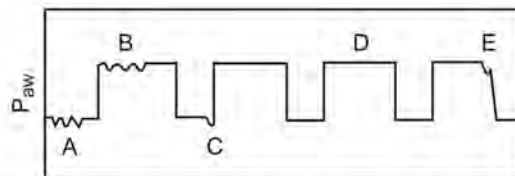


Fig. 1. Breath-type schematic during airway pressure release ventilation. A: Spontaneous breath during low continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP). B: Spontaneous breath during high CPAP. C: Quasi-assisted breath that is synchronized with the ventilator cycling to the high CPAP level. D: Completely passive breath. E: Spontaneous breath that occurs as the ventilator cycles to the lower CPAP level.

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HFNC Cheat Sheet

High Flow Nasal Cannula (HFNC): Is rapidly growing in popularity for patients with acute respiratory failure. Contrary to popular belief it is not just a regular cannula pushing air faster. Works by eliminating dead space associated with anatomical structure of the airway and delivering appropriately humidified oxygen. Eliminates the issue of significant calories/effort in attempting humidify air in acute distress and can reduce airway inflammation.

When to use it: HFNC has been shown to be most effective in patients with hypoxia w/o concomitant hypercarbia

1. HFNC should be considered in acute respiratory failure
2. Patients with elevating oxygenation needs
3. When maintaining appropriate humidification is key
4. Patient unable to tolerate BiPap or unable to remove Bipap when nauseous.

Advantages:

1. More comfortable than BiPap
2. Able to deliver flows 10-60+ lpm
3. Able to deliver & maintain O₂ at 37 C with 100% relative humidity (recent literature has demonstrated this to be an important issue in adequate alveolar function & prevention of surfactant loss)
4. Some models are portable
5. Patients with active emesis are less likely to aspirate
6. Breathing treatments are generally deliverable while on HFNC
7. May be able to deliver some PEEP (see below)
8. Minimizes O₂ dilution effect.

Disadvantages:

1. Not as effective in CO₂ removal as BiPap (and in some pulmonary edema/CHF cases)
2. Non portable models require alternative O₂ source during transport.
3. Patients who inspire orally can see diminished effectiveness

Special Considerations:

- Critical to understand model being used. In some HFNC's if operator increases flow rate, fio₂ will decrease (washout) & vice versa. Only competent staff should operate to prevent unintended fio₂ decrease.
- Literature is mixed regarding whether PEEP is delivered using HFNC. Numerous factors including the mouth being closed, sizing etc. impact PEEP/Dynamic Airway Pressure
- Sizing must be done accurately (manufacturer recommendation) but should be at least 50% of the nare.

Initial Settings:

- 30-55 lpm titrate up/down as necessary
- Patients' acuity will determine ideal Fio₂ settings

Manual & Self-Prone Tip Sheet

California Thoracic Society Annual Conference, March 2022

Emma J Blackmon PhD RN CCRN & Brian J Smith MSRC RRT

Manual	Self-Prone
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre Prone Check <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Review inclusion criteria ○ Coordinate/Gather your team(s) ○ Appoint Prone lead ○ Gather Supplies ○ Assess <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Airway (ETT depth, securement, suction) ▪ Skin ▪ Sedation/Paralytics ▪ Equipment/devices ○ Pre-Oxygenate ○ Protect eyes/mouth/skin ○ Observe tubes/drains ○ Disconnect non-essentials ○ Arrange IVs ○ Procedural Pause ○ Emergency plan • Manual Prone <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ RT leads turn/manages airway ○ Closed loop communication • Post Prone Check <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Verify patent airway/ETT depth ○ Patient positioning ○ Ensure equipment/lines/drains are not underneath patient ○ Resume all monitoring and re-zero lines ○ Check patency/placement of all lines ○ Resume TF feeding if applicable ○ Ensure HOB flat and patient in Reverse Trendelenberg ○ Check ABG ○ Debrief team/plan for supination 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommended for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Patients with persistent hypoxemia despite increased supplemental O2 and for whom endotracheal intubation is not indicated (COVID +) ○ Adjunct, supportive therapy to recruit alveoli and improve gas exchange • Non-intubated patients who require minimal to no assistance with repositioning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Be mindful of contraindications* • Patient should lie on their abdomen using the arms and pillows for support • Duration can vary – 30 minutes to 2 hours, 2-4 times a day as tolerated <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Initial trial ~30 minutes – to assess respiratory/oxygenation requirements • Consider <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hemodynamic or respiratory instability ○ Delirium or confusion ○ Nausea/vomiting ○ Abdominal wounds ○ Advanced pregnancy – consider side lying in discussion with provider • Monitor for desaturations, clinical worsening or confusion <p>*Contraindications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Facial, pelvic or spinal injuries ○ Inability to independently change positions ○ Any concern for patient’s ability to protect the airway



Advances in Diagnosis and Staging

2:20 p.m. – 3:05 p.m.

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Advances in Diagnosis & Staging

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Disclosures

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Outline

- Lung Cancer Staging
- Lung Nodule Diagnosis
 - Background
 - Navigation Bronchoscopy
 - Radial Endobronchial Ultrasound (rEBUS)
 - Robotic Bronchoscopy
 - Cryobiopsy
 - Cone-Beam CT-guided Bronchoscopy

Staging - Endobronchial Ultrasound (EBUS)



- Multiple systematic reviews and meta-analyses
- Pooled sensitivity for EBUS & lung cancer staging: 88-93%
- EBUS-TBNA equivalent to mediastinoscopy
 - Sensitivity
 - Specificity
 - NPV
 - Diagnostic Accuracy

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Supplement

DIAGNOSIS AND MANAGEMENT OF LUNG CANCER, 3RD ED: ACCP GUIDELINES

Methods for Staging Non-small Cell Lung Cancer

**Diagnosis and Management of Lung Cancer,
3rd ed: American College of Chest Physicians
Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Guidelines**

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4.4.4.3. In patients with high suspicion of N2,3 involvement, either by discrete mediastinal lymph node enlargement or PET uptake (and no distant metastases), a needle technique (endobronchial ultrasound [EBUS]-needle aspiration [NA], EUS-NA or combined EBUS/EUS-NA) is recommended over surgical staging as a best first test (Grade 1B).

Remark: This recommendation is based on the availability of these technologies (EBUS-NA, EUS-NA or combined EBUS/EUS-NA) and the appropriate experience and skill of the operator.

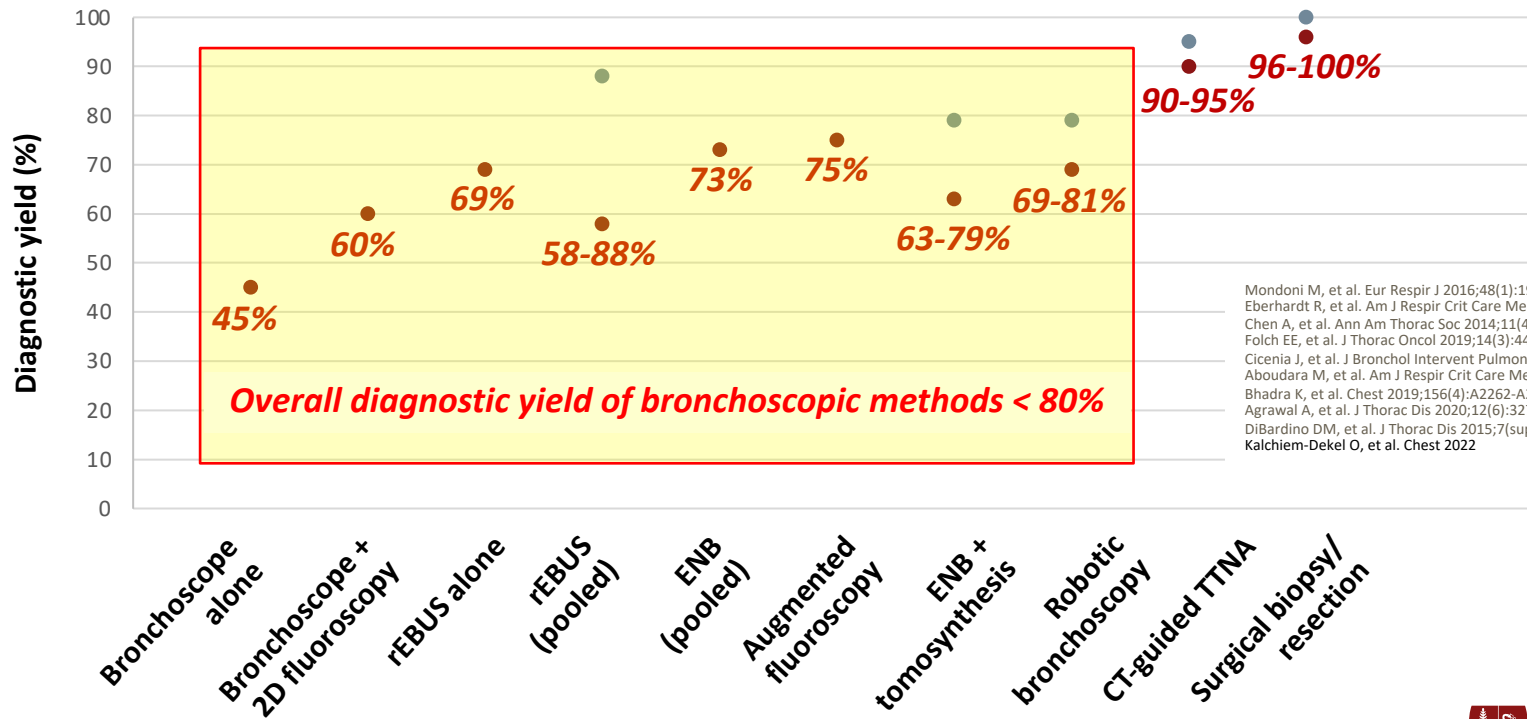
Remark: In cases where the clinical suspicion of mediastinal node involvement remains high after a negative result using a needle technique, surgical staging (eg, mediastinoscopy, video-assisted thoracic surgery [VATS], etc) should be performed.

Remark: The reliability of mediastinal staging may be more dependent on the thoroughness with which the procedure is performed than by which test is used.

4.4.6.2. In patients with an intermediate suspicion of N2,3 involvement, ie, a radiographically normal mediastinum (by CT and PET) and a central tumor or N1 lymph node enlargement (and no distant metastases), a needle technique (EBUS-NA, EUS-NA or combined EBUS/EUS-NA) is suggested over surgical staging as a best first test (Grade 2B).



Lung Nodule Diagnosis



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Limitations of Bronchoscopic Methods

- Many nodules invisible on 2D fluoroscopy ($\sim 40\%$ in *NAVIGATE*)
- Absence of “bronchus sign” negatively impacts yield
- Nodule-specific factors (size, location, density) affect procedural success
- Reliance on historical imaging and “virtual” guidance (*e.g.*, EMN)
- CT-to-body divergence thwarts all techniques

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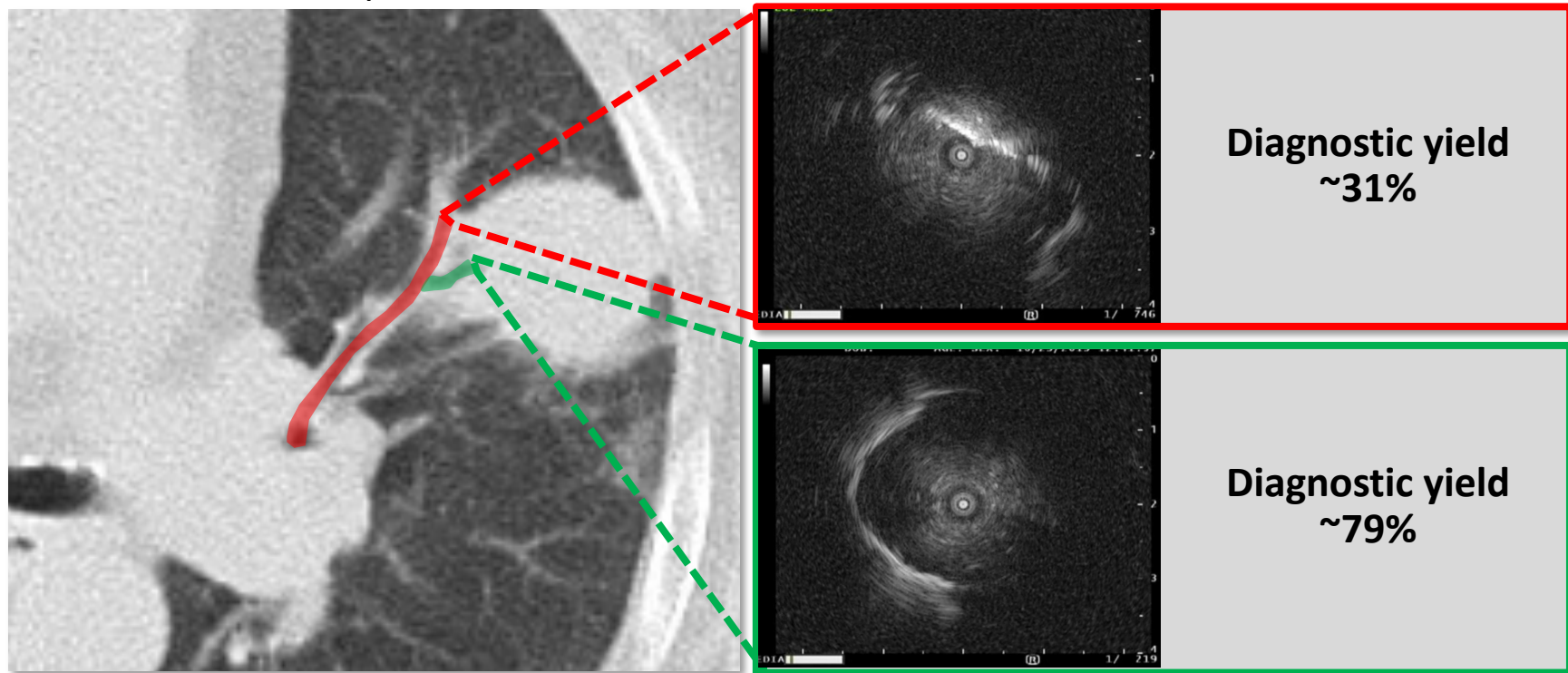
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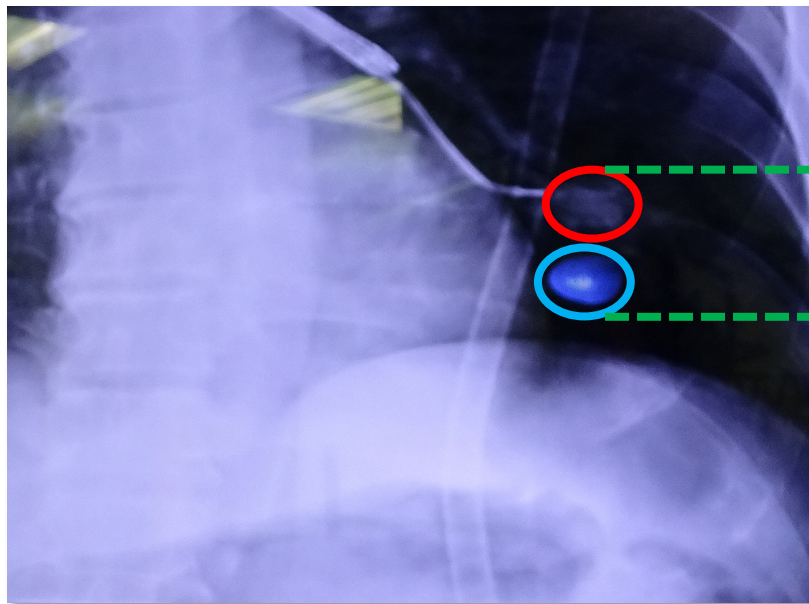
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Limitations of Bronchoscopic Methods

An illustrative example:



Limitations of Bronchoscopic Methods



CT-to-body divergence

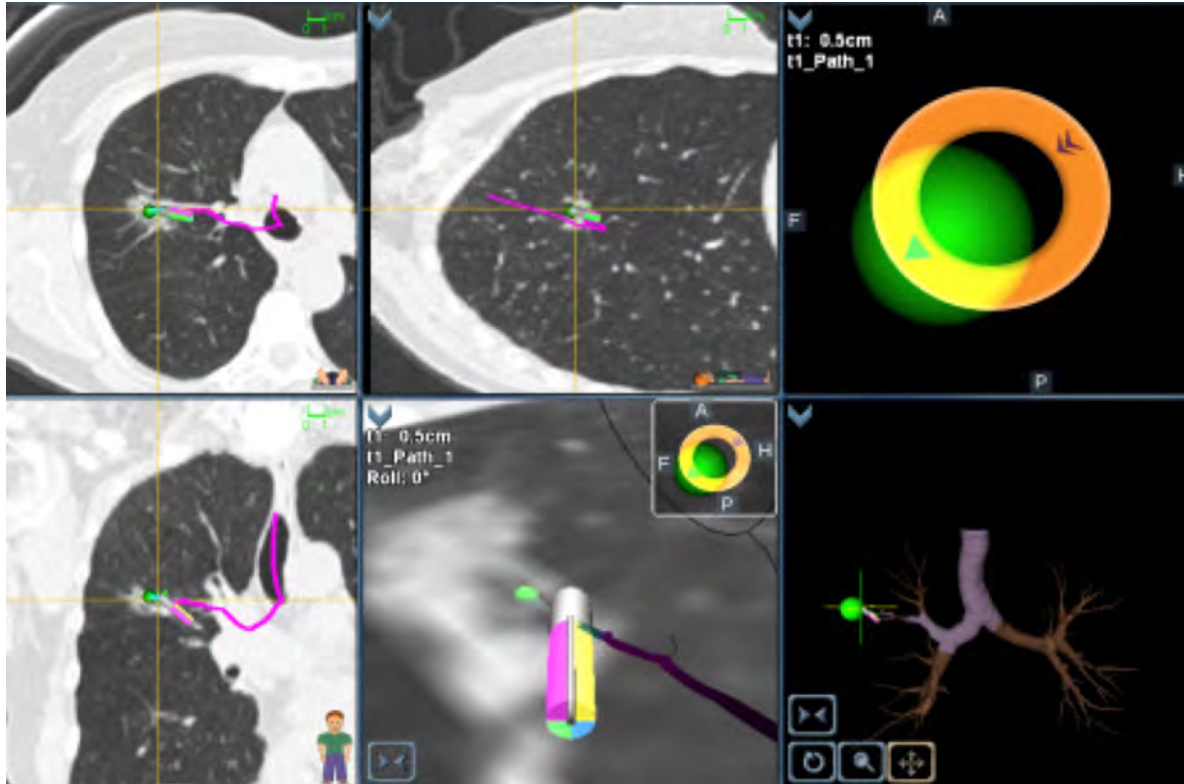
 = fluoroscopically visible nodule

 = nodule as marked on planning CT < 5 min prior

General Considerations

- The following approaches are in the context of solitary pulmonary nodules (SPNs)
- Biopsy approach decision should be based upon local resources and expertise
- Positive result: malignancy OR definitive benign diagnosis (i.e. sarcoidosis, interstitial lung disease, infection)
- NORMAL lung tissue on biopsy = NON-Diagnostic
- IF there is any suspicion for metastatic disease, then the procedure (technique) chosen should be capable of simultaneously diagnosing AND staging during the same procedure
- Getting a diagnosis is not enough
- Era of MOLECULAR MARKERS

Lung Nodules — Navigation Bronchoscopy



Lung Nodules — Radial Endobronchial Ultrasound (rEBUS)

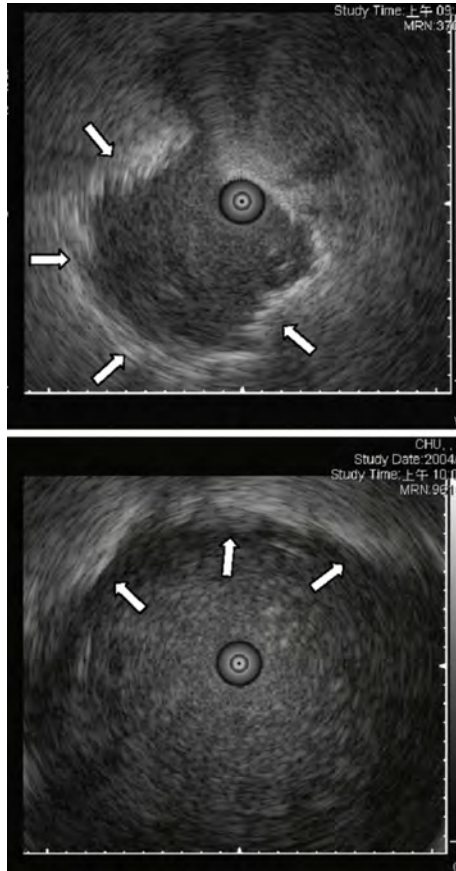


Table 2—Inverse Weighted Diagnostic Yield Overall and by Modality

Technology	Studies, No.	Weighted Proportion, %	95% CI	Q Statistic	Q P Value
VB	10	72.0	(65.7-78.4)	21.0	.01
ENB	11	67.0	(62.6-71.4)	13.3	.21
GS	10	73.2	(64.4-81.9)	63.8	< .0001
U	11	70.0	(65.0-75.1)	15.2	.12
R-EBUS	20	71.1	(66.5-75.7)	84.2	< .0001
All	39	70.0	(67.1-72.9)	119.4	< .0001



Lung Nodule Diagnosis

Lesions > 20 mm			Lesions ≤ 20 mm		
Lesions, No.	Diagnoses Made, No.	Yield, %	Lesions, No.	Diagnoses Made, No.	Yield, %
9	6	66.7	15	8	53.3
69	57	82.6	81	59	72.8
12	11	91.7	18	8	44.4
11	8	72.7	2	1	50
23	17	73.9	31	23	74.1
12	10	83.3	26	21	80.8
39	32	82.1	11	2	18.2
20	15	75	20	10	50
30	20	66.7	9	7	77.8
19	18	94.7	77	42	54.5
86	78	90.7	37	28	75.7
57	40	70.2	35	22	62.9
84	65	77.4	74	41	55.4
17	16	94.1	15	11	73.3
75	55	73.3	23	13	56.5
9	7	77.8	4	3	75
0	0		100	46	46
46	37	80.4	7	3	42.9
57	44	77.2	14	5	35.7
92	74	80.4	30	22	73.3

Weighted Dx Yield: 82.5%

60.9%



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Original Research
PULMONARY PROCEDURES

Meta-analysis of Guided Bronchoscopy for the Evaluation of the Pulmonary Nodule

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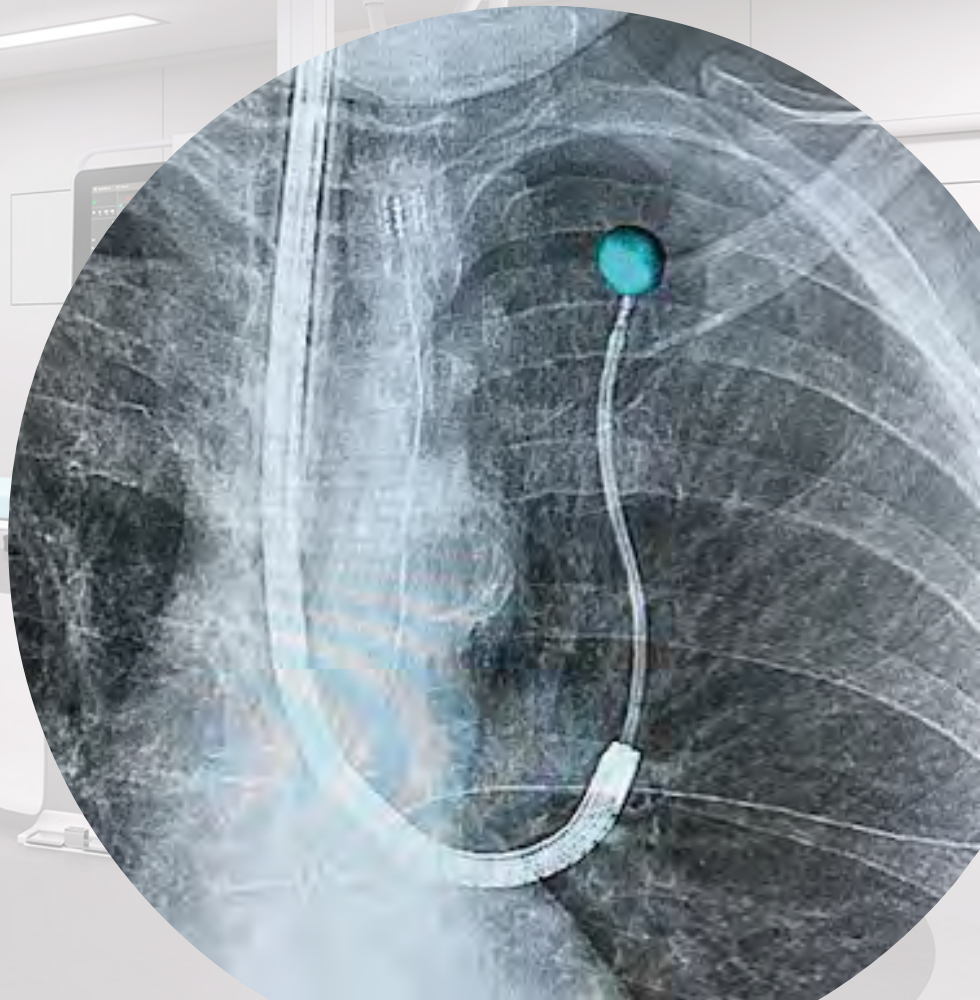
Lung Nodules — Robotic Bronchoscopy



Lung Nodules — Robotic Bronchoscopy

- Fine-movement, reticulating bronchoscopic catheter
- Ability to go “hands-free” with reliable stability
- Synergy with cone-beam CT-guided bronchoscopy
- Potential for therapeutic delivery
- Limited data, but numerous ongoing studies
 - Thus far, diagnostic yield: 77% - 82%

CBCT-Guided Bronchoscopy



Lung Nodules — Cone-Beam CT-Guided (CBCT) Bronchoscopy



CBCT-Guided Bronchoscopy

- Intraprocedural fluoroscopy + CT capabilities
- CTs can be used to produce augmented fluoroscopy
 - Augmented fluoroscopy: ability to take information from a CT and project it onto a fluoroscopic x-ray
 - Philips: LungSuite, Siemens: iGuide
- Converts bronchoscopy into a true **“image-guided procedure”**
- Philips (Allura and Azurion), Siemens (Zee, Zeego, Pheno, & CIOs), GE (OEC 3D)

Studies	Design	Procedural modalities	CBCT used	Overall diagnostic yield	Lesions	Nodule size	Radiation information
Pritchett <i>et al.</i>	Retrospective study	CBCT + ENB + AF	Allura Xper FD20; Philips	83%	93	Median nodule size 20 (range, 7–55) mm	2.0 mSv per CBCT run, average 1.5 runs, 3.5 mSv
Sobieszczyk <i>et al.</i>	Retrospective study	CBCT + ENB + R-EBUS + TBAT	Not reported	77.2%	22	Median nodule size 21 (range, 7–52) mm	Not reported
Casal <i>et al.</i>	Prospective observational cohort study	CBCT + R-EBUS + Ultrathin Bronchoscope	Not reported	70%	20	Median nodule size 21 (range, 11–30) mm	Estimated to range between 8.6 to 23 mSv, average fluoroscopy time 8.6 minutes (range, 5–15.4 minutes)
Bowling <i>et al.</i>	Retrospective study	CBCT + ENB + TBAT	Artis Zeego; Siemens	71%	14	Median nodule size of 18 (range, 9–30) mm	4.3 mSv (range, 3 to 5 mSv), and the average fluoroscopic time was 17 minutes (range, 2 to 44 minutes)
Ali <i>et al.</i>	Prospective study	CBCT + VBN + Ultrathin Bronchoscope	Artis Zeego; Siemens	90%	40	Median nodule size 20 (range, 9–30) mm	Not reported



Cone-Beam CT With Augmented Fluoroscopy Combined With Electromagnetic Navigation Bronchoscopy for Biopsy of Pulmonary Nodules

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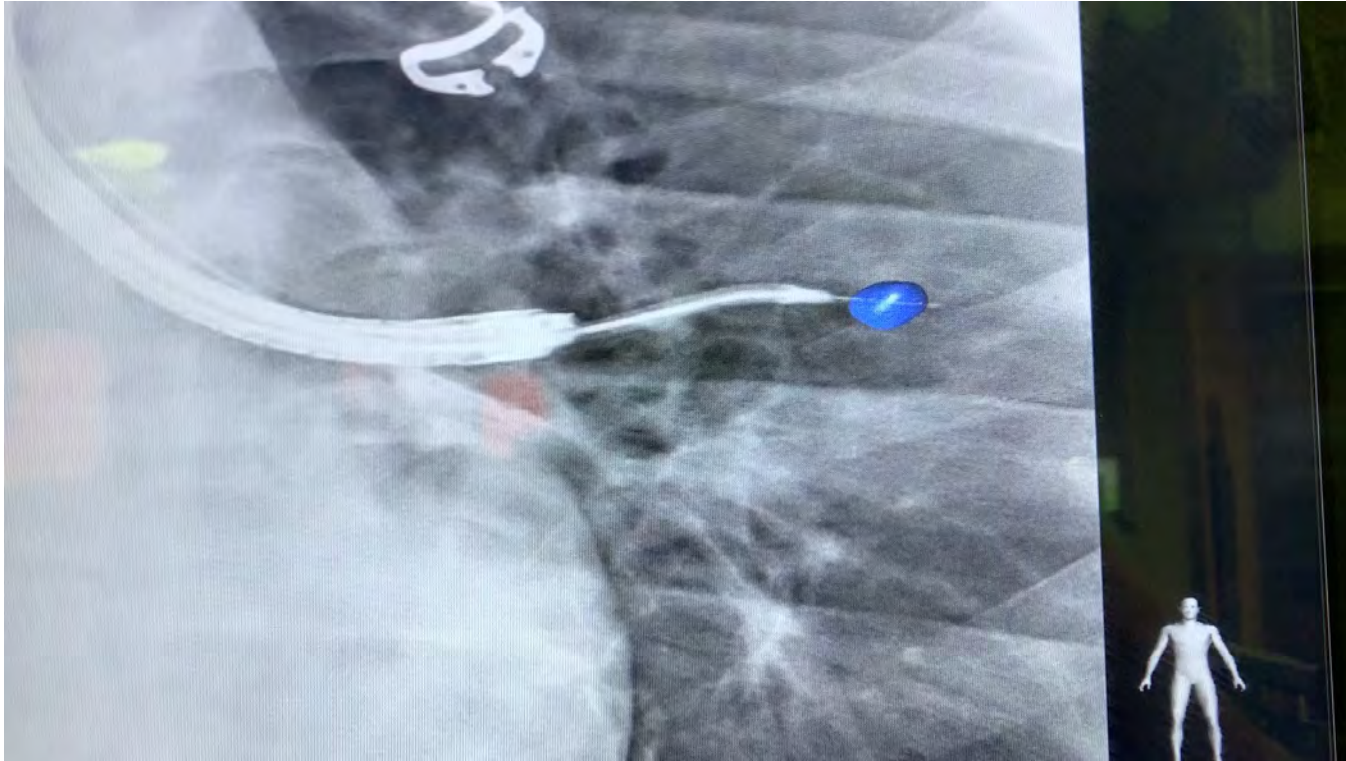
- Lesion size (median, mm): 16.0mm
- Bronchus sign: 39%
- Lesions \leq 20.0mm: 65/92 (71%)
- Lesions \leq 10.0mm: 19/92 (21%)
- Overall DY: 83.7%
- Overall diagnostic accuracy: 93.5%

TABLE 3. Diagnostic Performance of ENB and CBCT With Augmented Fluoroscopy

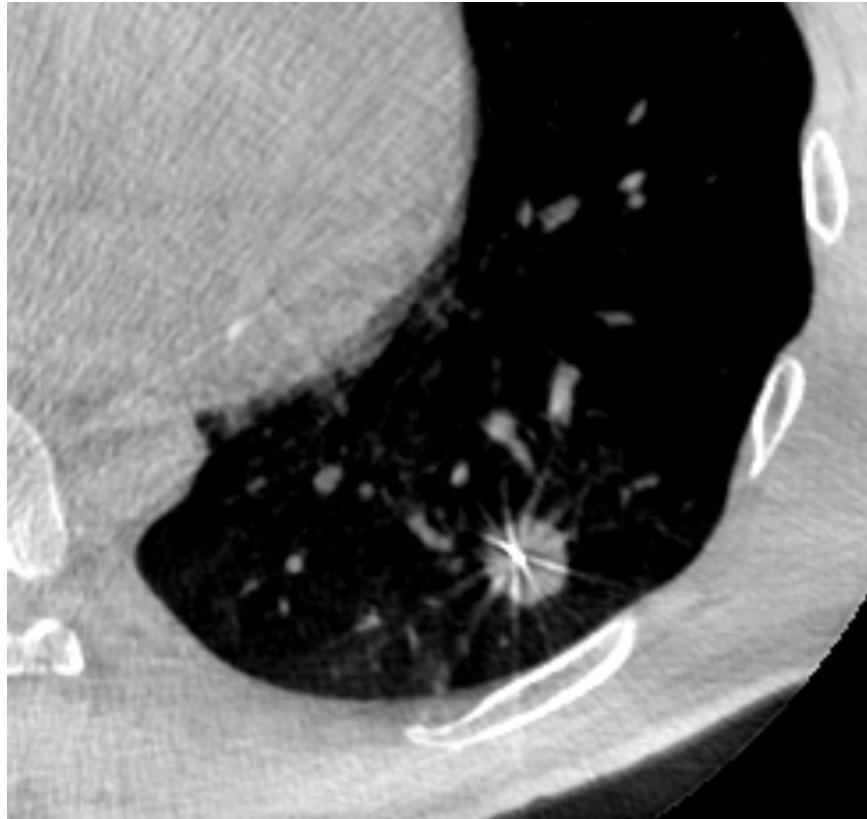
Diagnostic Performance

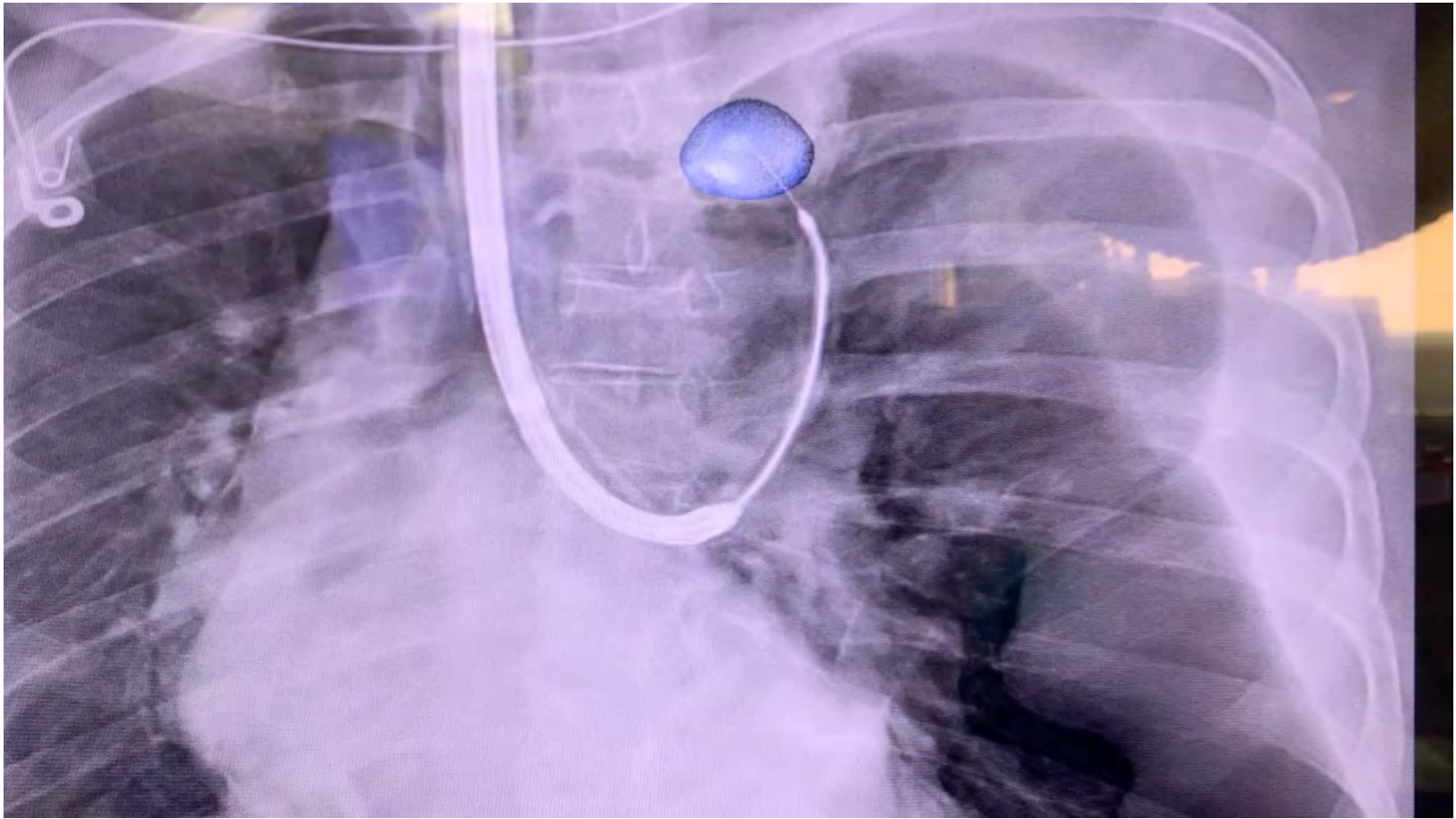
	Diagnostic Yield (95% CI)	Diagnostic Accuracy (95% CI)*
All lesions (n = 92) (mm)	83.7% (74.8%-89.9%)	93.5% (86.5%-97.0%)
Lesions \leq 10 (n = 19)	84.2% (62.4%-94.5%)	89.5% (68.6%-97.1%)
Lesions \leq 20 (n = 65)	83.1% (72.2%-90.3%)	90.8% (81.3%-95.7%)
Lesions > 20 (n = 27)	96.3% (81.7%-99.8%)	100% (87.5%-100%)
Minimum sensitivity for malignancy†	91.3% (82.3%-96.0%)	
Maximum sensitivity for malignancy‡	95.5% (87.5%-98.4%)	
Minimum prevalence of malignancy‡	71.7% (61.8%-79.9%)	
Maximum prevalence of malignancy†	75.0% (65.3%-82.7%)	
Minimum negative predictive value	79.3% (61.6%-90.2%)	
Maximum negative predictive value	89.7% (73.6%-96.4%)	

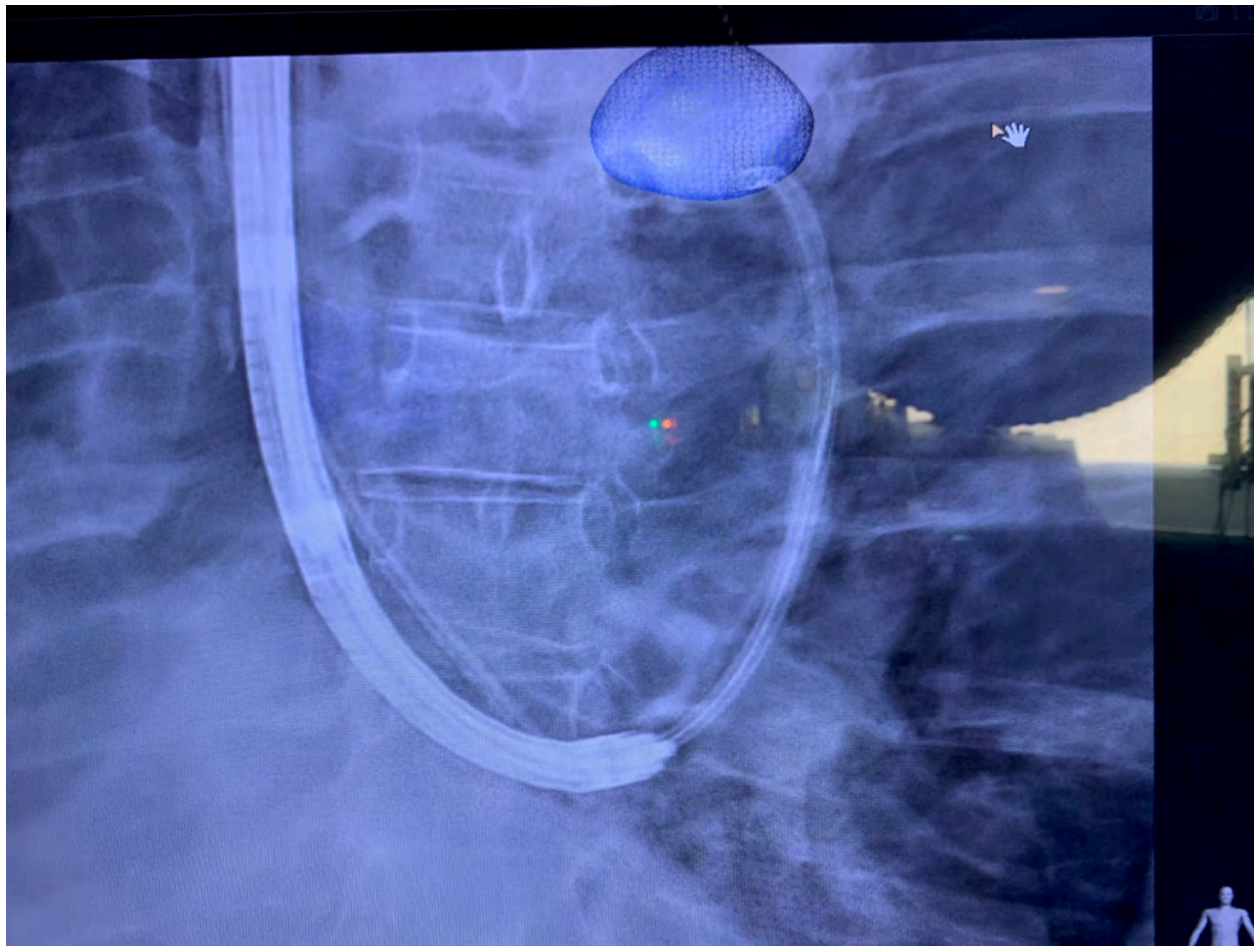
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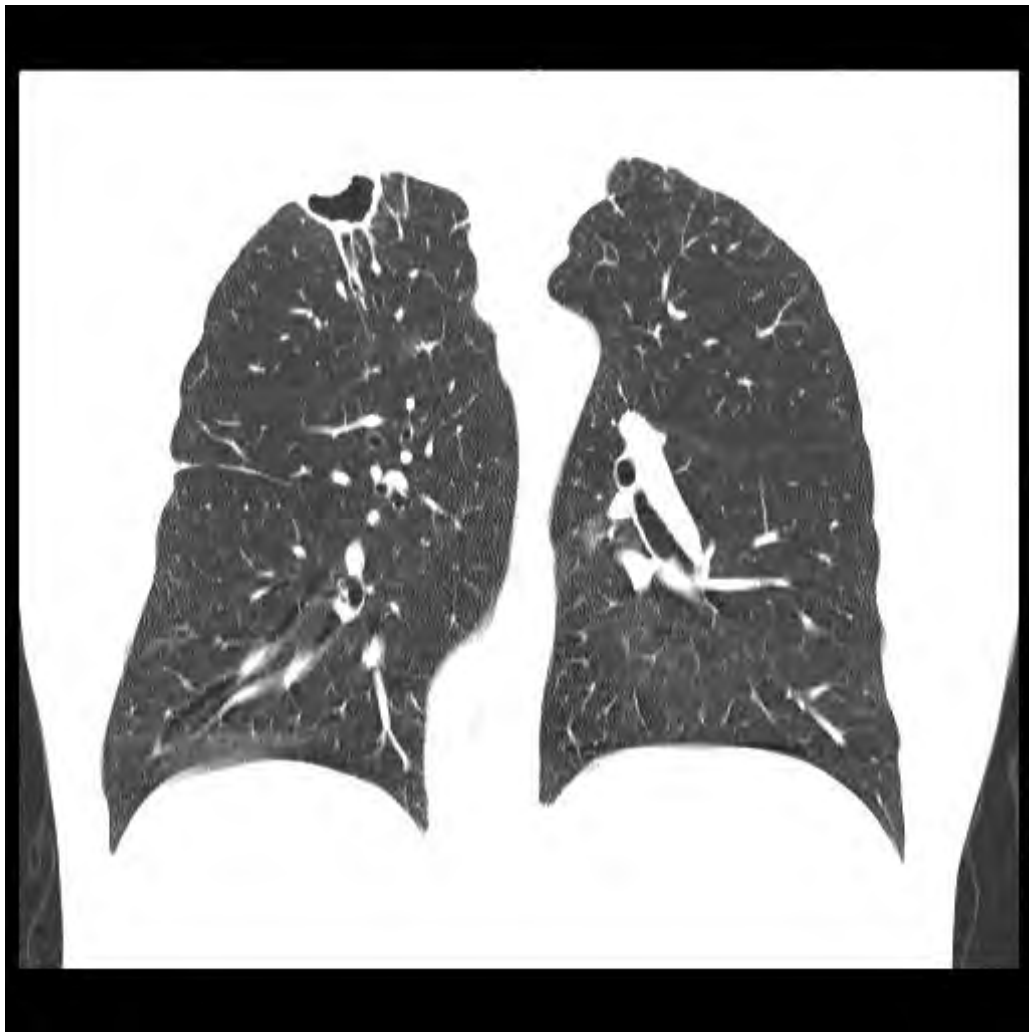


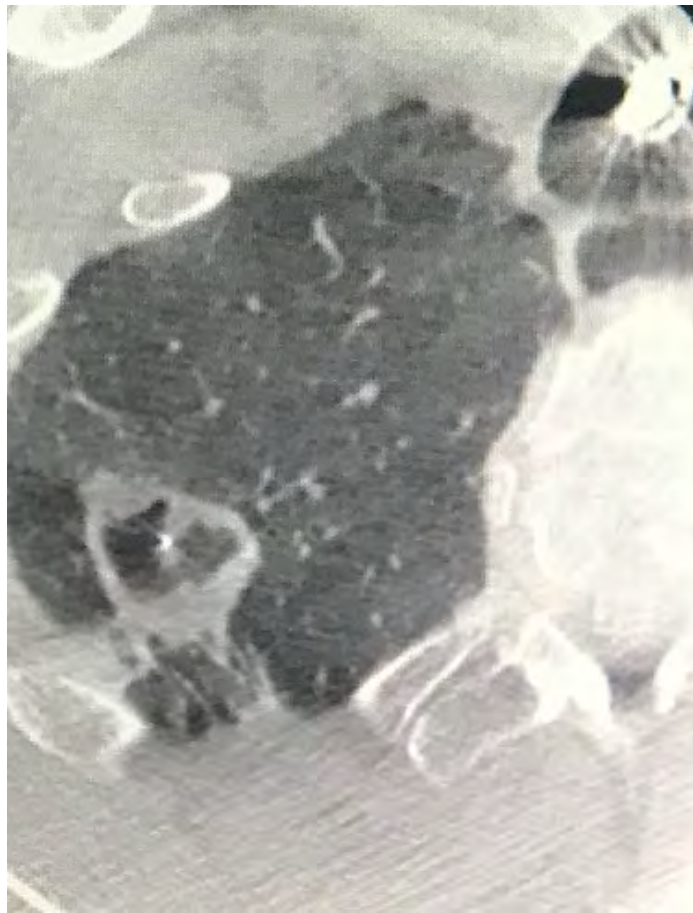




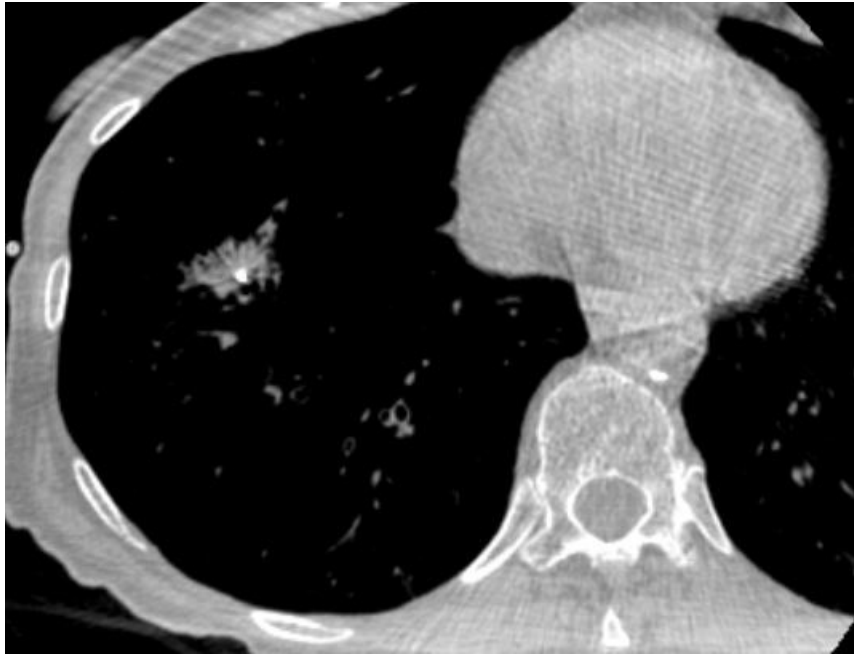


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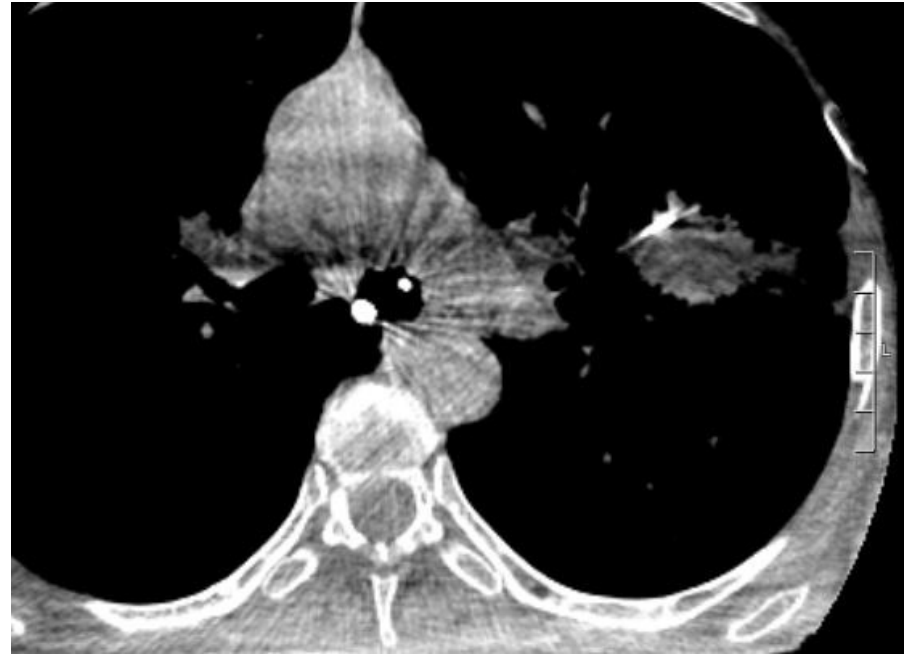




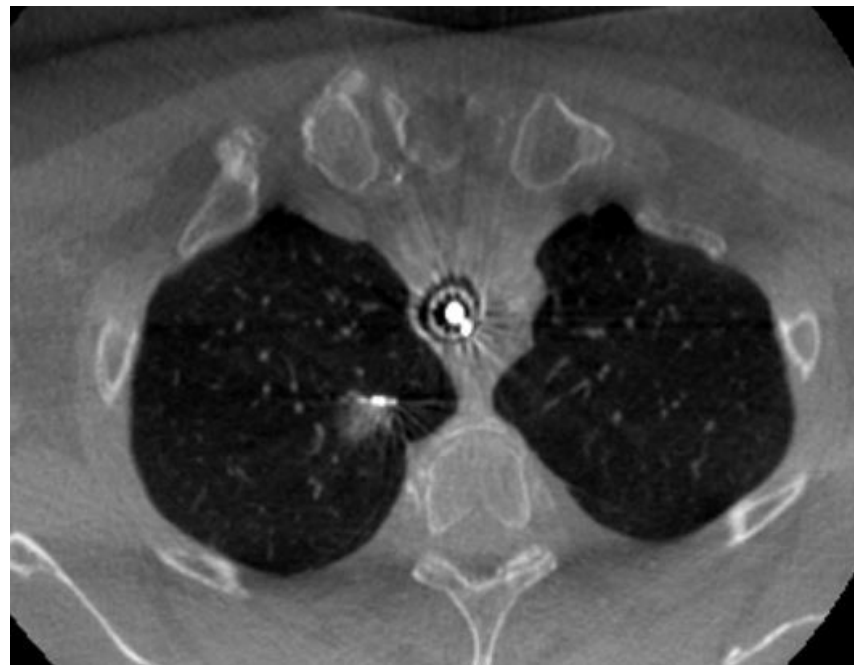
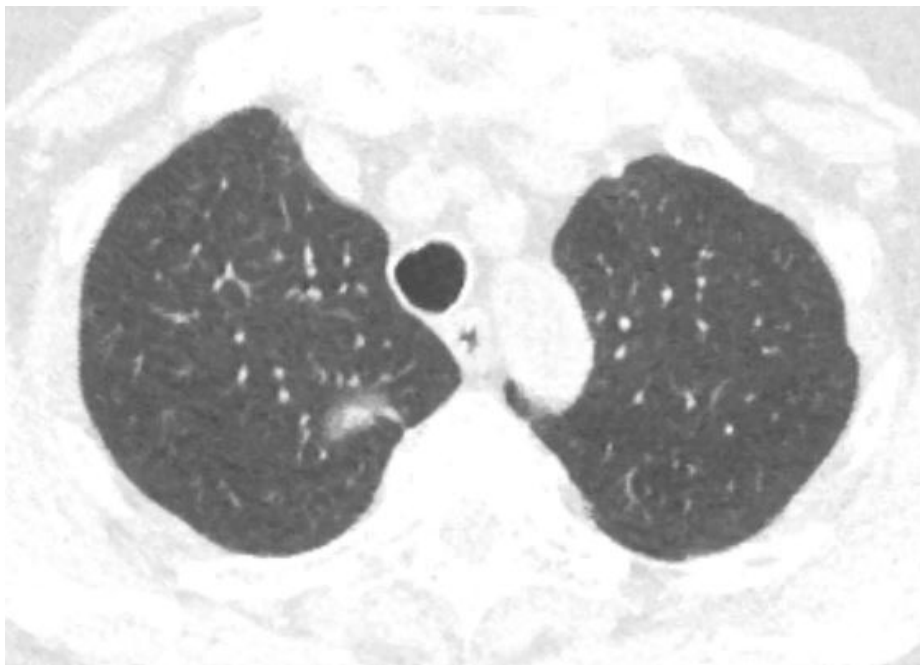
Dx: *Mycobacterium xenopi*



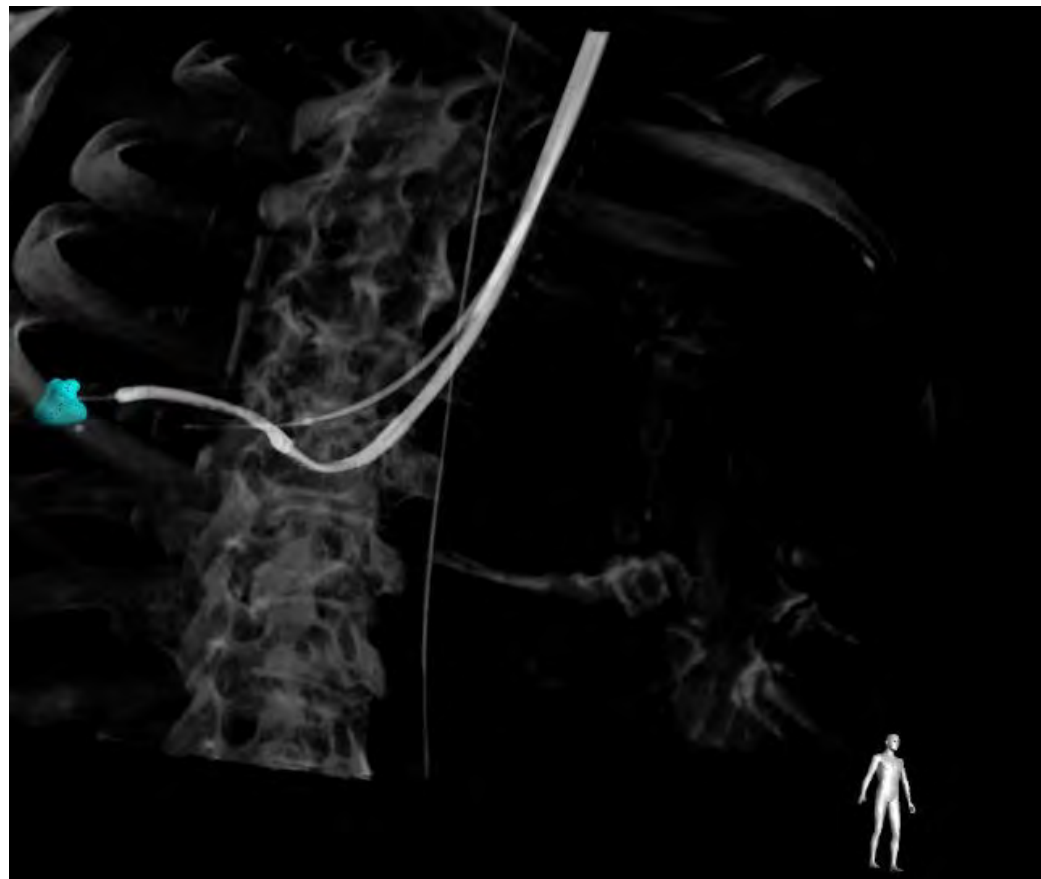
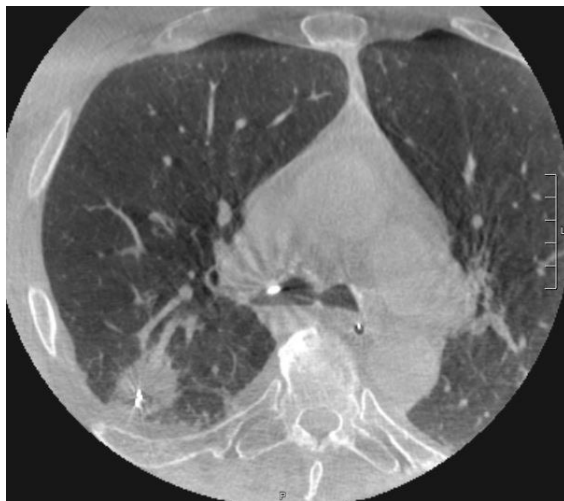
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Dx: Squamous cell carcinoma



Dx: Well-differentiated adenocarcinoma

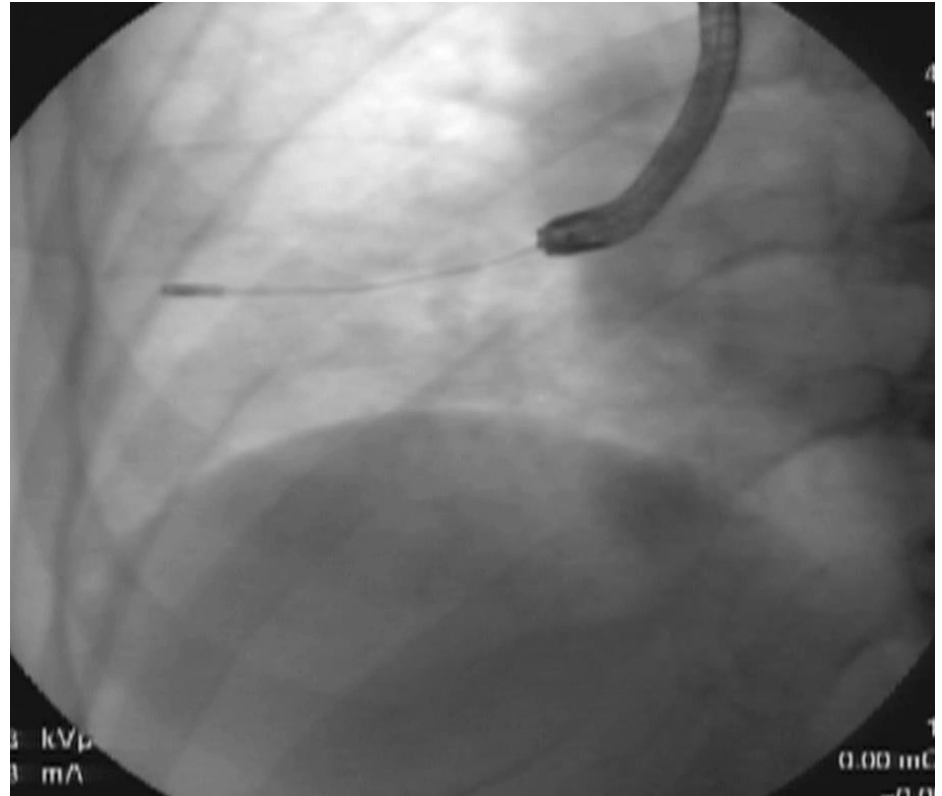


Dx: Invasive adenocarcinoma



Dx: Squamous cell carcinoma

Cryobiopsy
For
Lung Nodule Diagnosis



Role of Transbronchial Cryobiopsy

- Flexible cryoprobe for freezing and extracting larger biopsy specimens
 - Reusable (1.9 mm, 2.4 mm) or disposable (1.1 mm, 1.7 mm, 2.4 mm)
 - Disposable 1.1mm and 1.7mm cryoprobes will work with therapeutic/robotic bronchoscopes

Benefits:

- Large, histopathologic specimen
- No crush artifact (vs forceps)
- Sample tissue adjacent to probe tip
- High diagnostic yield
- Greater detection of EGFR mutations?

Risks:

- Bleeding (central lesions)
 - *Prophylactic balloon blocker*
- Pneumothorax (subpleural lesions)
 - *CBCT to check distance to pleura and adjust accordingly*

Lung Nodule Diagnosis



- Carbon dioxide gas
- Disposable cryoprobes (1.1, 1.7, and 2.4mm)
- Increased reproducibility for freezing time/power
- Lightweight cryoprobes (no metal kinking)
- Increase length (compatible with all navigation-based catheters/robots)
- Cryotherapy unit can be stacked within APC stand/unit
- 1.1mm cryoprobe
 - Less catheter deflection
 - Ability to pull specimen through working channel



The LungVision navigational platform for peripheral lung nodule biopsy and the added value of cryobiopsy

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Efficacy of Radial Endobronchial Ultrasound (R-EBUS) guided transbronchial cryobiopsy for peripheral pulmonary lesions (PPL's): A systematic review and meta-analysis

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Original Article

A pilot study of the ultrathin cryoprobe in the diagnosis of peripheral pulmonary ground-glass opacity lesions

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Research Article

Diagnostic Yield of Combined Pulmonary Cryobiopsies and Electromagnetic Navigation in Small Pulmonary Nodules

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Median size: 25.0mm, 63 patients
Diagnostic yield: 81.8% (for <20mm: 72.2%)
9/63 patients had ONLY diagnostic Cryobiopsy
Majority underwent 2.4mm cryoprobe (3 seconds)
1 PTX

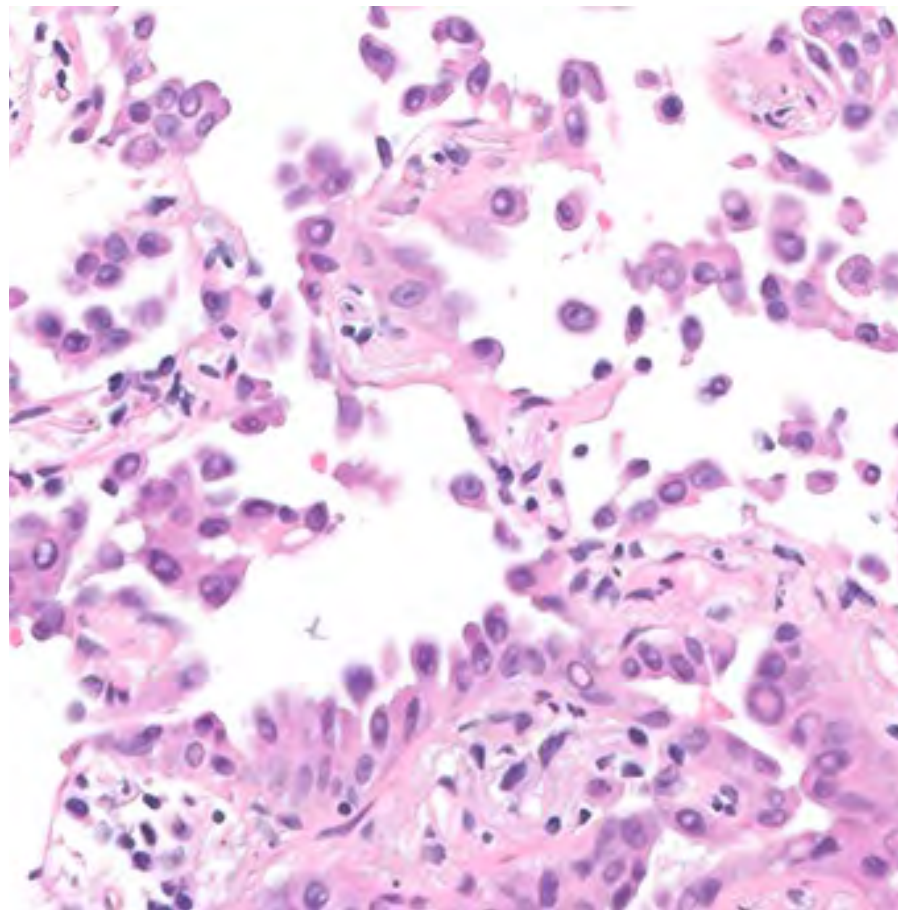
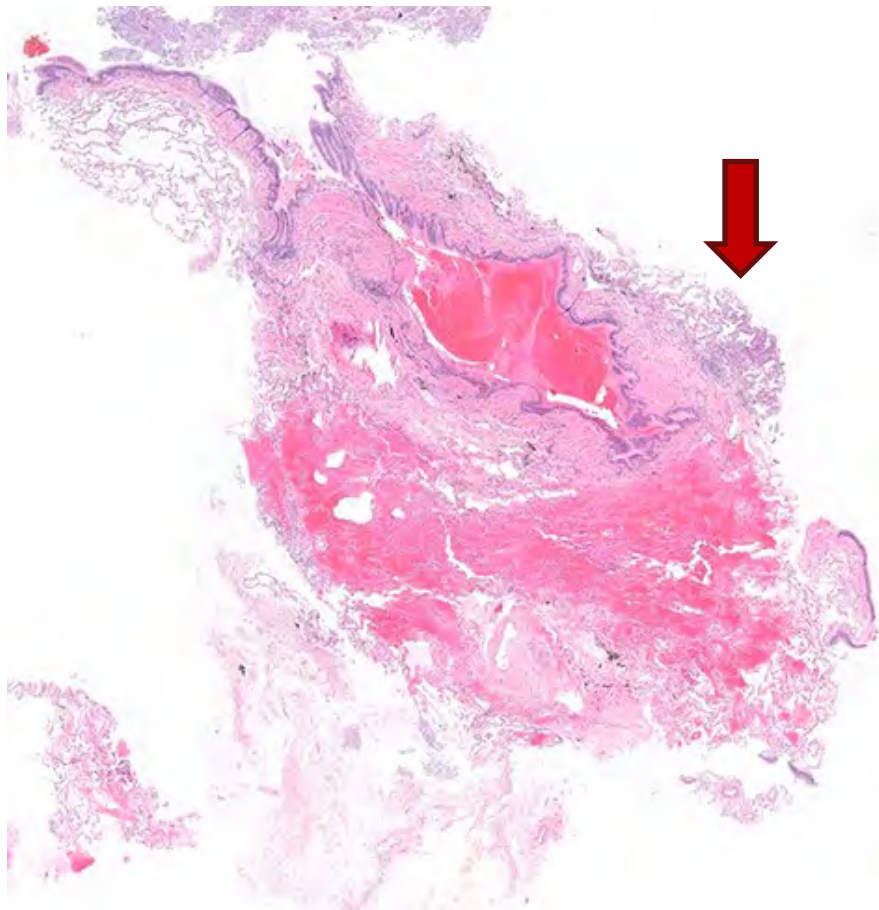
Pooled cryo diagnostic yield: 77%
Pooled TBBx diagnostic yield: 72%
No significant difference

23 GGOs (12 pure GGNs, 11 part-solid), ultrathin scope
Mean size: 21.58mm
Diagnostic yield: 82.6%
1.1mm cryoprobe (3-5 seconds)
0 PTX

32 patients, ENB guided
Mean diameter: 16mm
TBLC diagnostic yield: 69%
TBBx diagnostic yield: 38%
1.9mm cryoprobe (7-8 seconds)
1 PTX

CBCCT-Guided Cryobiopsy and Why?

- Interstitial lung disease evaluation
 - Target specific regions of disease (when ILD process is less diffuse)
 - Ability to sample regions that have a less advantageous fluoroscopic view (i.e. disease that is straight anterior, medial, or posterior vs lateral directionality)
 - Ensure position of cryoprobe in relation to pleura (or critical structures) prior to biopsy (potential for less PTX?)
 - Provide intra-procedural CT imaging of sampled sites for ILD MDDs
- Peripheral lung lesions
 - Potential role in sub-solid lung lesions (pure GGN/part-solid)
 - Ability to sample beyond the bronchus (and to the surrounding alveolar tissue/nodule)
 - Any advantage when sampling the edge of a lesion (eccentric lesions)?
 - Decrease overall number of biopsies/samples collected?




Diagnosis: Adenocarcinoma

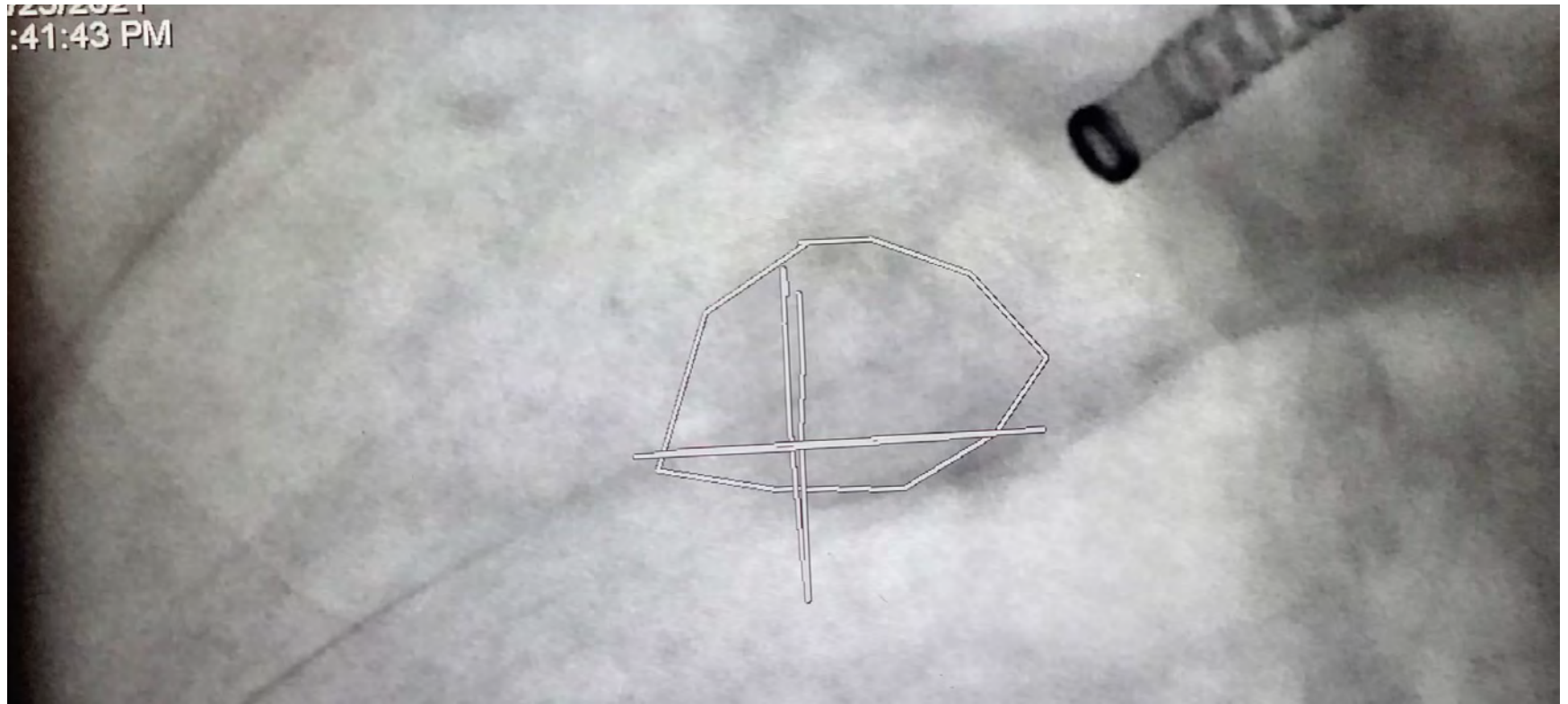
New Frontier: CBCT, Robotics, and Cryobiopsy



Robotic-Assisted Navigation Bronchoscopy as a Paradigm Shift in Peripheral Lung Access

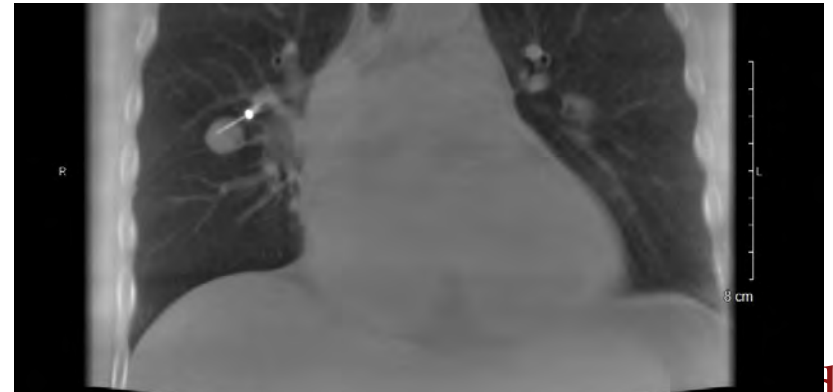
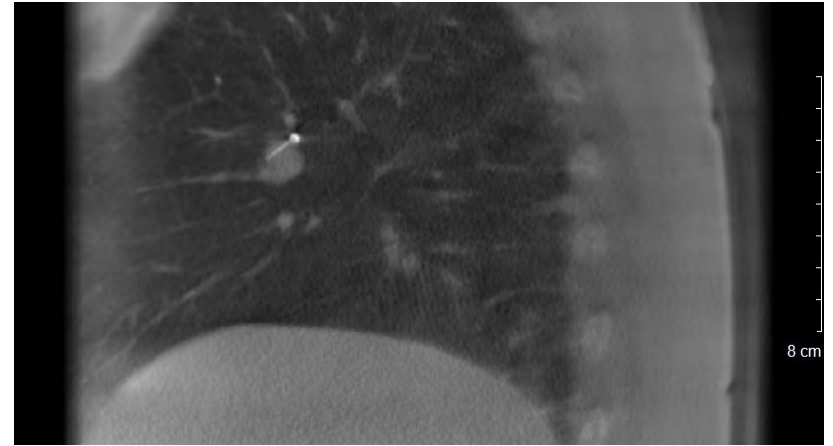
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CBCT + Intuitive iON Robot
Lesion size, axial (mean, mm): 19.6mm
Bronchus sign ABSENT: 54%
Tissue diagnosis: 83%
Diagnostic yield: 86%
Malignancy sensitivity: 84%



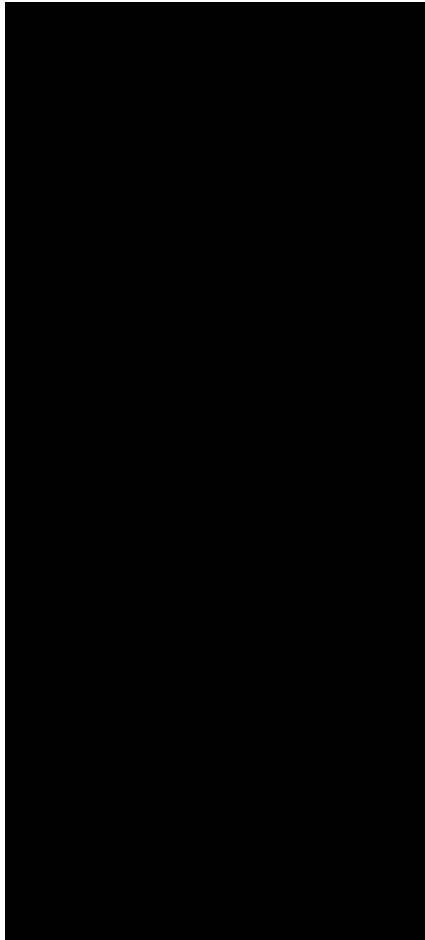
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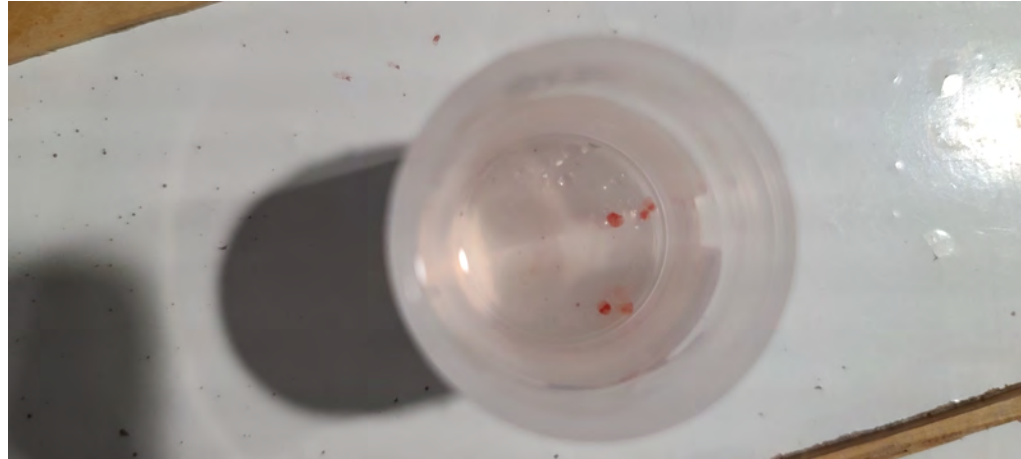


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Lung Nodule Diagnosis



Diagnosis: Malignant Melanoma



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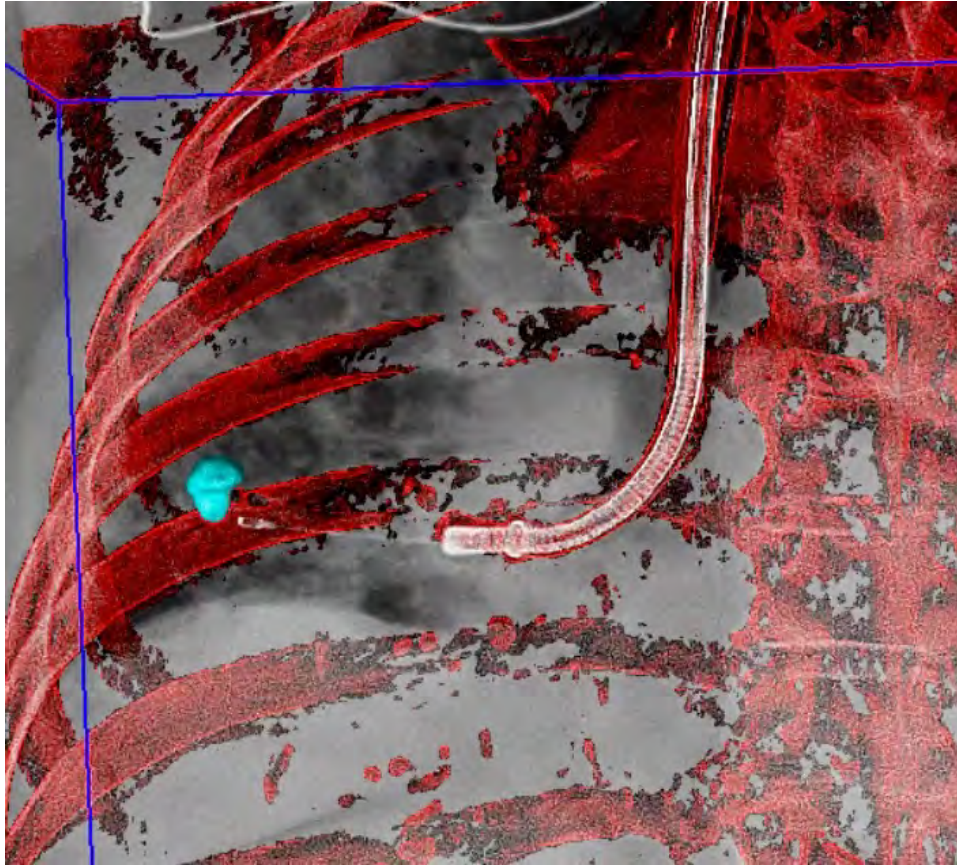


1.1mm Cryoprobe



1.7mm Cryoprobe

Lung Nodule Diagnosis



Thank You!
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Molecular Testing and Targeted Therapies

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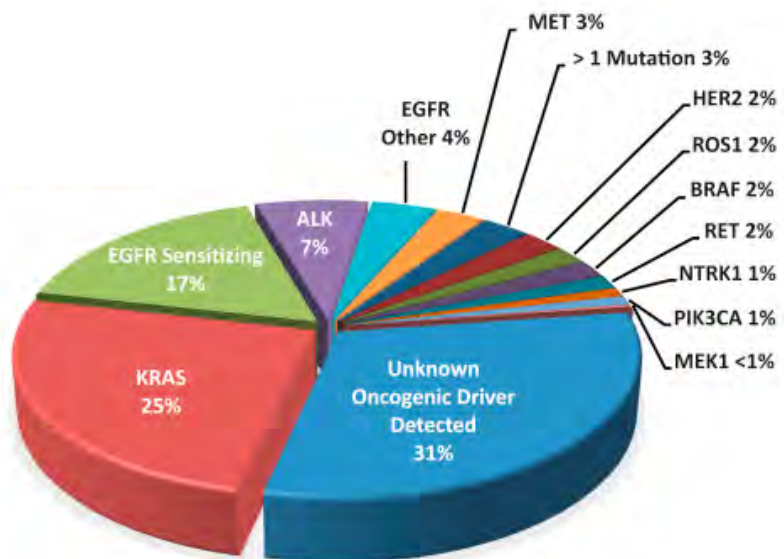
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Agenda

- Role of biomarkers in therapy selection for lung cancer
- Molecular testing recommendations in NSCLC
- Updated data for therapy selection
 - EGFR -MET -NTRK
 - ALK -Kras -RET
 - ROS1 -HER2

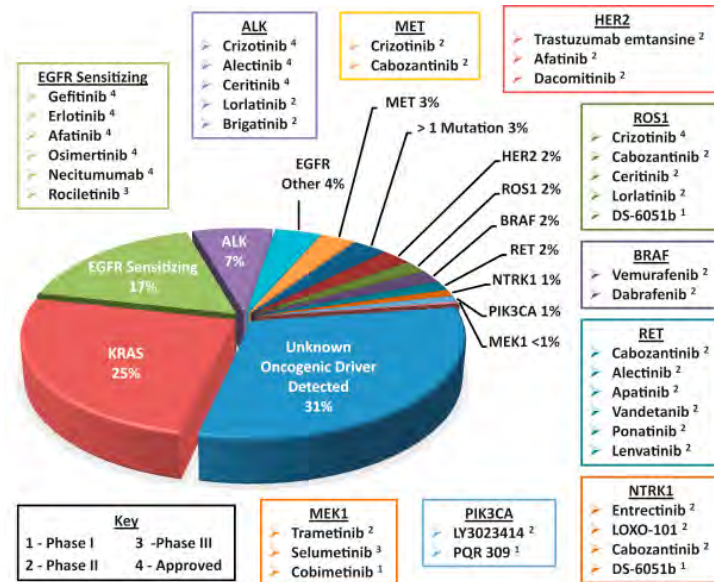
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Identification of driver mutations leads to treatment with targeted therapies in metastatic NSCLC



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Treatment Options: Overview

- Targeted therapies in the metastatic setting result in robust responses and prolonged disease control for NSCLC but cannot cure- RESISTANCE IS INEVITABLE
- For patients without a targetable mutation, standard firstline treatment recommendation is chemotherapy + IO, regardless of PDL-1 status
- Immunotherapy alone can be considered for patients with PDL-1 \geq 50%

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Treatment considerations

Who should get molecular testing?

- All patients with metastatic non-squamous NSCLC
- Patients with never/light smoking history and metastatic squamous NSCLC

Timing of Treatment

- Wait for rapid molecular testing (EGFR, ALK, ROS1, PDL-1) results prior to treatment initiation (usually 1 week)

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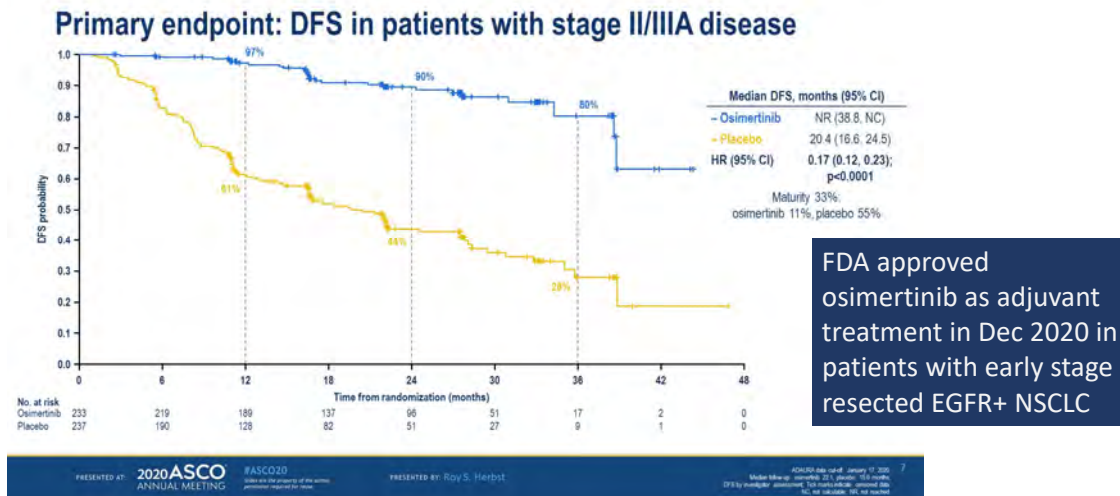
EGFR Mutations

- 15-20% of NSCLC
 - More frequently seen in Asian, never or light smokers
- Most common sensitizing mutations are exon 19 del and L858R
- Firstline treatment with osimertinib in stage IV (FLAURA)
- Brain metastases seen commonly with good CNS penetration of osimertinib
- Exon 20 insertions are generally resistant to classical TKIs with some variant exceptions
- Resistance to EGFR TKIs is common

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ADAURA TRIAL:

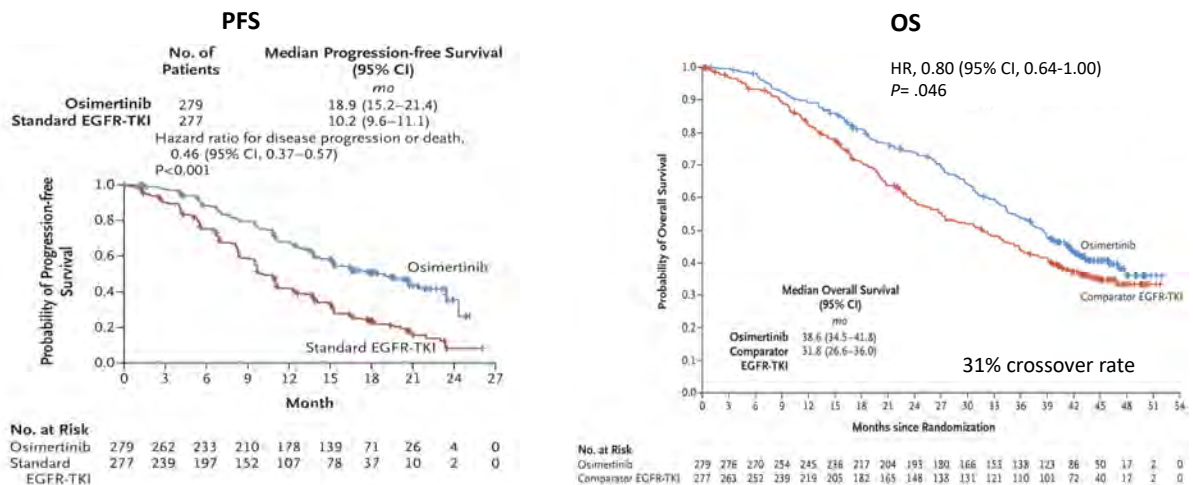
Adjuvant osimertinib improves DFS in early stage II/IIIA EGFR+ NSCLC



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FLAURA TRIAL:

Osimertinib Improves PFS & OS Compared to Older Generation EGFR TKIs in Stage IV EGFR+ NSCLC

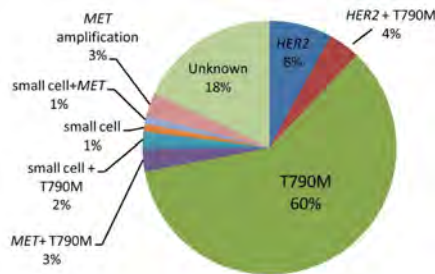


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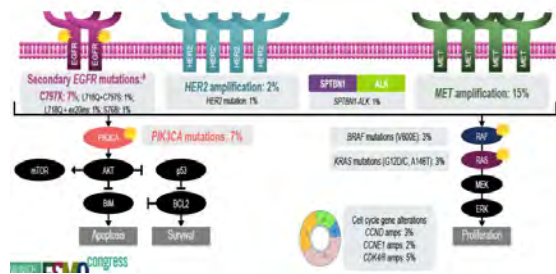
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Resistance to targeted therapy inevitable & resistance mechanisms more challenging with next generation drugs



Dominant mechanism of resistance for 1st generation EGFR TKIs erlotinib or gefitinib

Yu H et al. Clin Cancer Res. 2013 Apr 15;19(8):2240-7.



Heterogeneous & multiple simultaneous mechanisms of resistance to 3rd generation EGFR TKI osimertinib

Ramalingam SS et al. ESMO 2018, Munich

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CHRYSALIS TRIAL:

Osimertinib ineffective in EGFR Exon 20 insertion, but Amivantamab shows promise

Response	Efficacy Population (n = 81)
ORR, % (95% CI)	40 (29-51)
CBR, * % (95% CI)	74 (63-83)
Best response, n (%)	
• CR	3 (4)
• PR	29 (36)
• SD	39 (48)
• PD	8 (10)
• NE	1 (1)
Median DoR, mos (95% CI)	11.1 (6.9-NR)

FDA approved amivantamab for patients with NSCLC who harbor EGFR exon 20 insertion mutation and whose disease has progressed on or after platinum-based chemotherapy in May 2021

*CBR = CR, PR, or SD at ≥ 2 disease assessments.
 †Does not include 9 patients with race not reported and multiple race.

Sabari. WCLC 2020. Abstr OA04.04. NCT02609776.

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EGFR Targeted Therapy: Summary

- Recent ADAURA trial is practice changing
 - **Test all early stage patients for EGFR!**
- Strategies in development to delay or overcome resistance to osimertinib
- Usually chemotherapy is administered after resistance to osimertinib develops
- Identifying specific resistance mutations in each patient's tumor (i.e., tissue biopsy, liquid biopsy) and tailoring subsequent approach
- Newly approved drugs for EGFR exon 20 ins
 - Amivantanab
 - Mobocertinib

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ALK Targeted Therapy

3-5% of NSCLC

- More frequent in males
- More frequent in never or light smokers
- Brain metastases commonly seen

Frontline treatment options

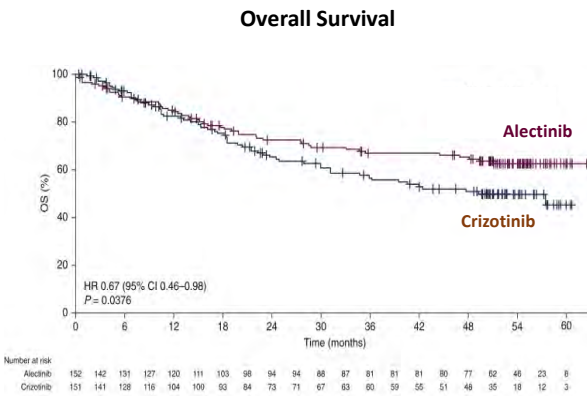
- Alectinib
- Brigatinib (approved May 2020)
- Lorlatinib (approved March 2021)

Other ALK inhibitors

- Ceritinib, Crizotinib

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ALEX Phase III TRIAL: Alectinib superior to Crizotinib in Untreated ALK-Positive NSCLC



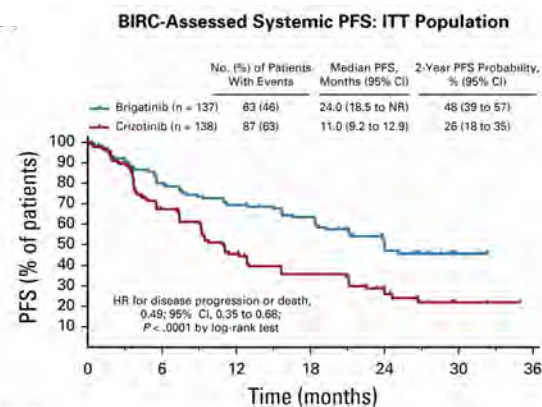
Name	Level	Log-rank	Hazard ratio		Interaction test
		P value	Hazard ratio	95% CI	P value (likelihood ratio)
All	n/a	0.0609	0.70	(0.48-1.02)	
Age group (years)	< 65	0.1481	0.73	(0.48-1.12)	0.6768
	≥ 65	0.2189	0.63	(0.30-1.33)	
Sex	Female	0.3020	0.76	(0.45-1.28)	0.6923
	Male	0.1155	0.66	(0.39-1.11)	
Race	Asian	0.3298	0.74	(0.40-1.36)	0.8575
	Non-Asian	0.1161	0.69	(0.43-1.10)	
Smoking status	n = 17	Active smoker	0.4126	1.97	0.5471
	Non-smoker	0.1181	0.68		
	Past smoker	0.1339	0.62		
ECOG PS	0	0.1266	0.52	(0.22-1.22)	0.4636
	1	0.0960	0.68	(0.44-1.07)	
	n = 20	2	0.6440	1.30	

FDA approved alectinib in the first line for patients with ALK-positive NSCLC in November 2017

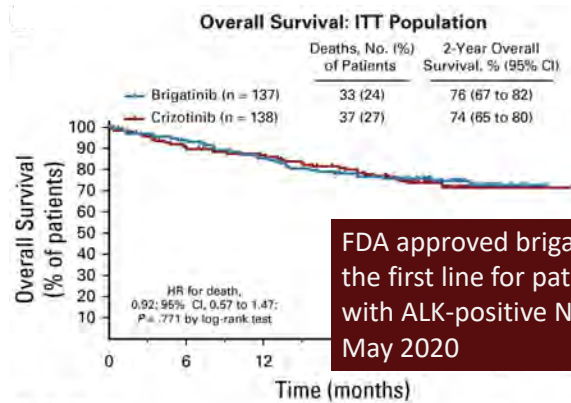
Peters S, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2020;38(15):9518. Mok T, et al. *Ann Oncol.* 2020;31(8):1056-1064.

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ALTA-1L Phase III TRIAL: Brigatinib superior to Crizotinib in Untreated ALK-Rearranged NSCLC



No. at risk:	0	6	12	18	24	30	36
Brigatinib	137	97	84	75	39	3	0
Crizotinib	138	80	49	37	17	2	0



No. at risk:	0	6	12	18	24	30	36
Brigatinib	137	121	108	97	79	16	0
Crizotinib	138	123	116	106	84	19	1

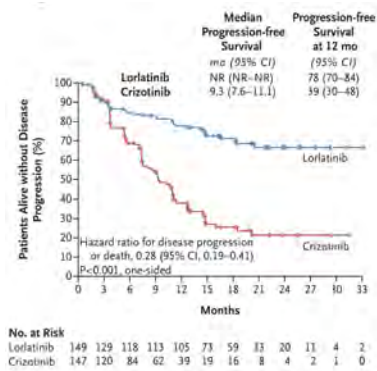
FDA approved brigatinib in the first line for patients with ALK-positive NSCLC in May 2020

Camidge DR, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2020;38(31):3592-3603.

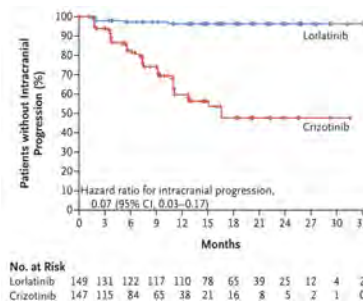
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CROWN Phase III TRIAL: Lorlatinib superior to Crizotinib in Advanced ALK-Positive NSCLC

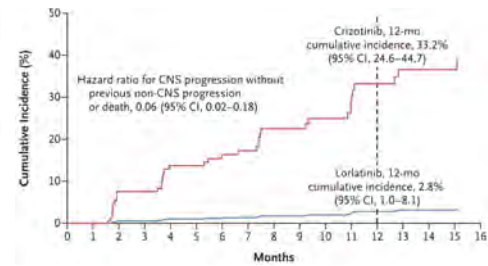
Progression Free Survival



Time to Intracranial Progression



Cumulative Incidence of CNS Progression as the First Event



FDA approved lorlatinib for patients with NSCLC whose tumors are ALK-positive in March 2021

Shaw AT, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2020;383(21):2018-2029.

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ALK Targeted Therapy: Summary

- Multiple first line FDA approved ALK TKI options
- Alectinib is generally preferred first line given favorable side effect profile and high CNS penetration
- Resistance to ALK TKIs occurs
- Can use other ALK TKIs at the time of disease resistance (brigatinib, lorlatinib)

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ROS1 Targeted Therapy

Found in 1% of NSCLC

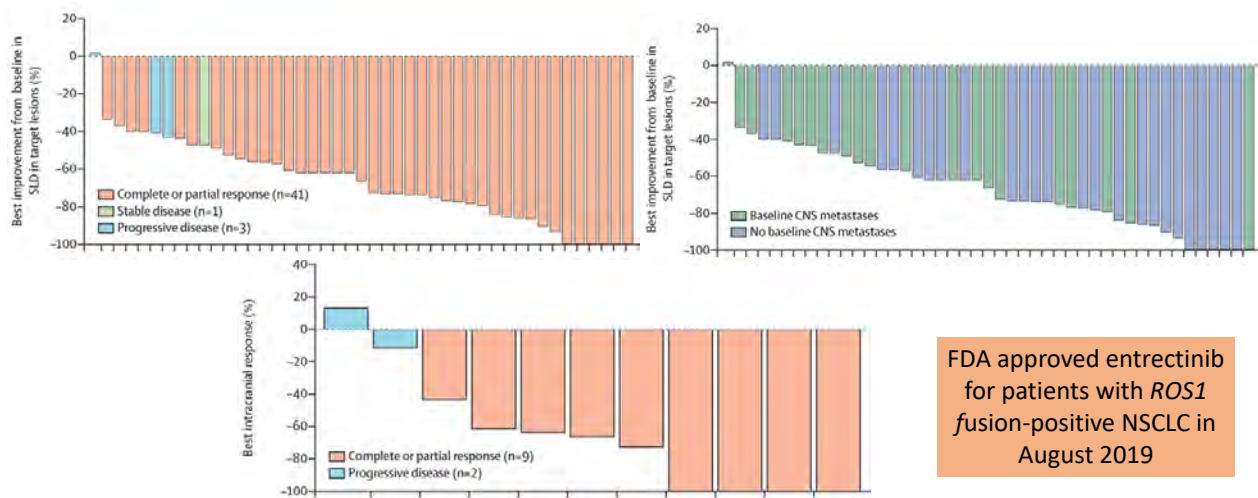
- More common in light or never smokers
- Longer median OS of patients

Targeted therapies

- Crizotinib
- Entrectinib (approved Aug 2019)
- Ceritinib

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Entrectinib in *ROS1* Fusion-positive NSCLC Integrated Analysis of 3 Phase I/II Trials (STARTRK-1, ALKA, STARTRK-2)



FDA approved entrectinib
for patients with *ROS1*
fusion-positive NSCLC in
August 2019

Drilon A, et al. *Lancet Oncol.* 2020;21(2):261-270.

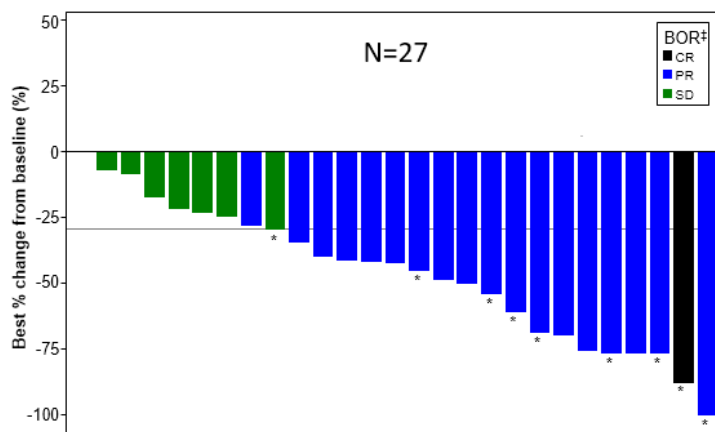
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MET Targeted Therapy

- MET alterations occur in many solid malignancies, including NSCLC (gene amplification and exon 14 skipping mutations)
- MET antibodies and TKIs being investigated
- MET amplification seen in cases of EGFR-TKI resistance
- Capmatinib and tepotinib are FDA approved first line treatment options for patients MET exon 14 skipping mutations

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GEOMETRY mono-1 TRIAL: 1st line Capmatinib effective in *MET*ex14—mutated NSCLC

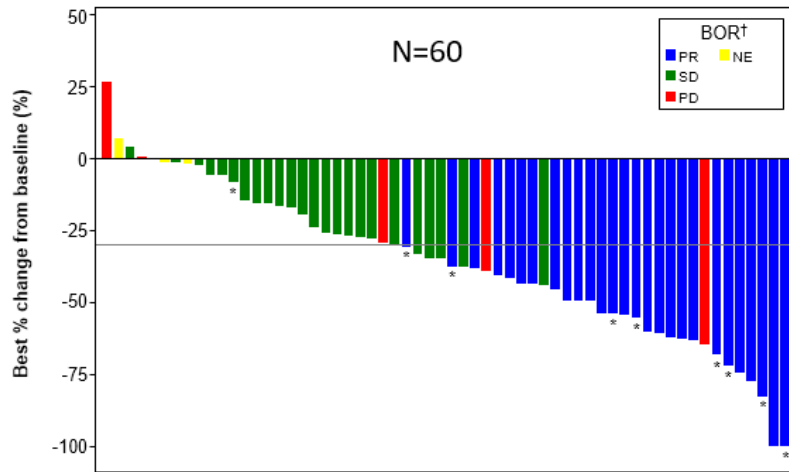


Response-evaluable patients N=28	
ORR	67.9%
mDoR	11.1 mos
mPFS	9.69 mos

Garon EB, et al. Presented at: 2020 American Association for Cancer Research Virtual Annual Meeting 1: Virtual; April 27-28, 2020. Abstract CT082.

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GEOMETRY mono-1 TRIAL: Subsequent line Capmatinib effective in *MET*Ex14—mutated NSCLC



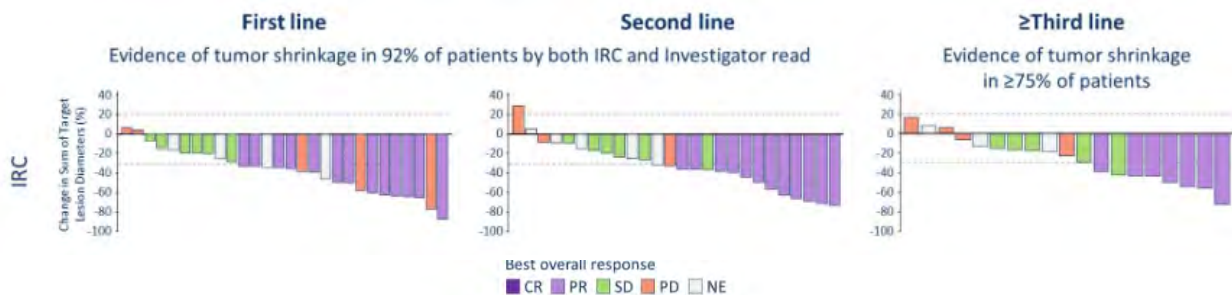
Subsequent line Capmatinib N=69	
ORR	40.6%
mDoR	9.7 mos
mPFS	5.4 mos

FDA approved capmatinib for patients with *MET*Ex14—mutated NSCLC in May 2020

Garon EB, et al. Presented at: 2020 American Association for Cancer Research Virtual Annual Meeting 1: Virtual; April 27-28, 2020. Abstract CT082.

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VISION TRIAL: Tepotinib targets *MET* Exon 14 skipping mutations



Tepotinib N=87	
ORR	45%
mDoR	1.7mos

In February 2021, FDA granted accelerated approval for tepotinib in patients with mNSCLC harboring *MET* exon 14 skipping alterations.

Paik, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2019;37915_suppl0:9005-9005

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MET Targeted Therapy: Summary

- Capmatinib and tepotinib are standard of care 1st line treatment for MET exon 14 skipping mutations
- Other MET targeted drugs are in clinical development

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KRAS targeted therapy

- KRAS is the common mutation in lung adenoCA (25%)
- KRAS G12C mutations found in 13% of lung adenoCA
- Up until recently, KRAS mutations were not felt to be targetable in lung cancer

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Sotorasib (AMG 510)

- Phase 1 dose escalation study (N = 129; n=59 with NSCLC)
 - Efficacy in NSCLC
 - CR/PR: 32.2% (n=19)
 - Disease control (CR/PR/SD): 88.1% (n=52)
 - mPFS: 6.3 months
 - Safety
 - Most common AEs: diarrhea, fatigue, and nausea
 - Grade ≥ 3 AEs: 52.7% (n=68)
 - No DLTs or grade 4 or serious TEAEs

In May 2021, sotorasib was FDA approved for KRAS G12C-mutated NSCLC for patients who have received at least one prior systemic therapy

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Adagrasib

- Phase I/II study (N=110; n = 79 with NSCLC [51 evaluable])
 - Efficacy in NSCLC
 - CR/PR: 45% of NSCLC
 - Disease control (CR/PR/SD): 96%
 - Safety
 - Most common AEs: nausea, diarrhea, vomiting, fatigue, and increased liver enzymes
 - Grade ≥ 3 AEs: 30%
 - 2 deaths (pneumonitis, cardiac failure)

In June 2021, adagrasib earned a breakthrough therapy designation from the FDA for patients with KRAS G12C-mutant NSCLC

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KRAS targeted therapy: Summary

- Sotorasib is a viable second line therapy option with KRAS G12 mutated NSCLC (chemo+IO still firstline)
- No targeted treatment options for other KRAS non-G12C mutations

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HER2 (ERBB2) Targeted Therapy

- Currently no standard therapies targeting HER2 pathway in NSCLC
 - Approved therapies in HER2+ gastric and breast cancers
- No clear correlation between HER2 overexpression, amplification, or mutation (not mutually exclusive)
 - HER2 mutations in 2-4% (most exon 20 ins)
 - HER2 amplification in 10-20%
 - HER2 overexpression in 2.4-38%
- HER2 alterations can represent primary driver or mechanism of acquired resistance

Jebbink et al. Cancer Treat Rev 2020;86:101996
 Rolfo et al. Cancer Discov 2020 May 10(50):643-645

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HER2 Targeted Therapy

	First author	Overall response rate HER2 mutation	Overall response rate HER2 amplification
Dacomitinib	Kris	3/26 (12%)	0/4 (0%)
Neratinib	Hyman	1/26 (4%)	NA
Neratinib	Gandhi	0/17 (0%)	NA
Neratinib + tlemsiolimus	Gandhi	8/43 (19%)	NA
Afatinib	Smit	0/13 (0%)	NA
Afatinib	Lai	3/22 (14%)	NA
Trastuzumab	Gatzemeier	NA	NA*

* Negative randomized phase 2 trial cisplatin/gemcitabine ± trastuzumab in HER2 IHC2+/3+ lung cancers.

- TKIs are minimally effective with overall low response rates

- Pozitotinib, a more potent inhibitor of EGFR and HER2 exon 20 mutations, being studied in phase II trial

Jebbink et al. Cancer Treat Rev 2020;86:101996

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HER2 Targeted Therapy: Pozitotinib

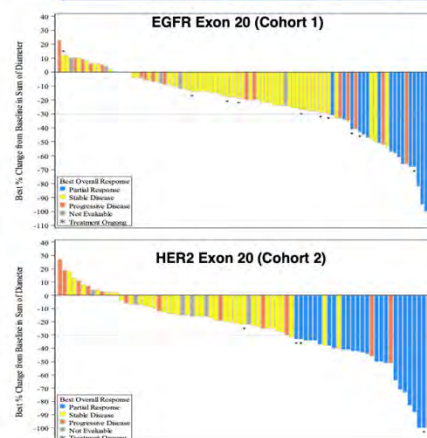


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CONQUERING THORACIC CANCERS WORLDWIDE

Primary Efficacy and Safety

- Cohort 2 (2L HER2 exon 20) primary endpoint was met
- Median age 61yrs; median prior therapy = 2 (1-9); 66% females; 67% non-smokers; 13% stable brain metastases at entry
- Common Grade 3 TRAEs: Diarrhea (26%), Rash (29%), mucosal inflammation (10%)

	2L EGFR Exon 20 (N=115)	2L HER2 Exon 20 (N=90)
ORR (n), [95% CI]	14.8% (17) [8.9, 22.6%]	27.8% (25) [18.9, 38.2%]
Unconfirmed ORR (n), [95% CI]	19.1% (22) [12.4, 27.5%]	31.1% (28) [21.8, 41.7%]
DCR (n), [95% CI]	68.7% (79) [59.4, 77.0%]	70.0% (63) [59.4, 79.2%]
DoR, median (months), [95% CI]	7.4 [3.7, 9.7]	5.1 [4.2, 5.5]
PFS, median (months), [95% CI]	4.2 [3.7, 6.6]	5.5 [3.9, 5.8]

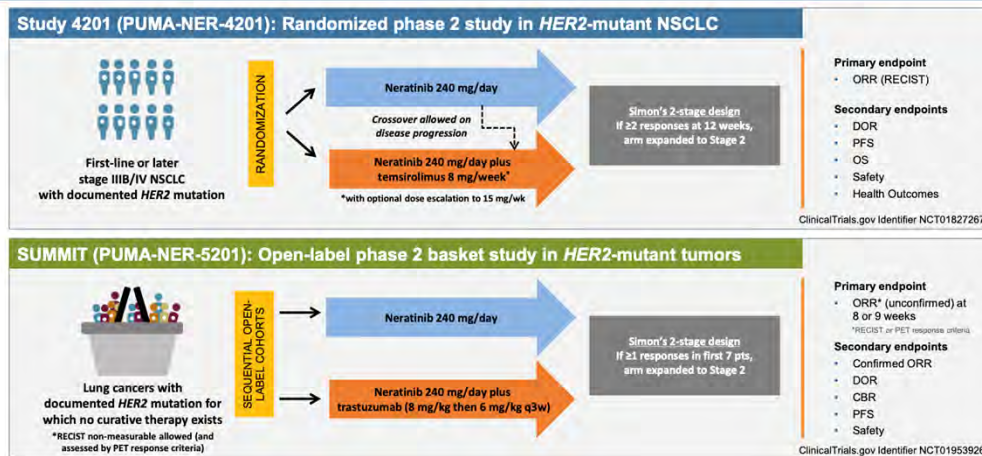


Cornelissen R et al. Presented at: 2020 World Conference on Lung Cancer Singapore; January 28-31; Virtual Abstract MA11.04

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HER2 Targeted Therapy: Neratinib

Study design: Phase 2 trials of neratinib in *HER2*-mutated lung cancers



Li B et al. Presented at 2020 World Conference on Lung Cancer Singapore; January 28-31; Virtual Abstract FP14.15

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HER2 Targeted Therapy: Summary

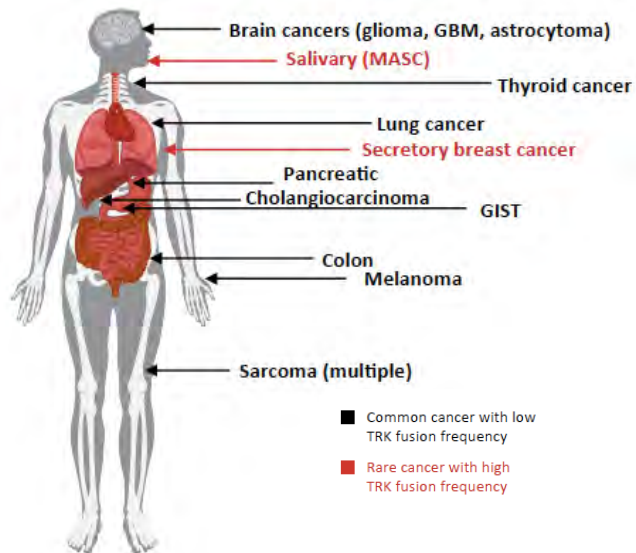
- Potential role for antibody-drug conjugates T-DM1 and trastuzumab-deruxtecan (FDA breakthrough designation)
- Existing and emerging small molecule TKIs are only modestly active
- Poziotinib demonstrates increased activity against *HER2* mutated NSCLC compared to other TKIs

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Other less common actionable targets: NTRK, RET

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NTRK Targeted Therapy



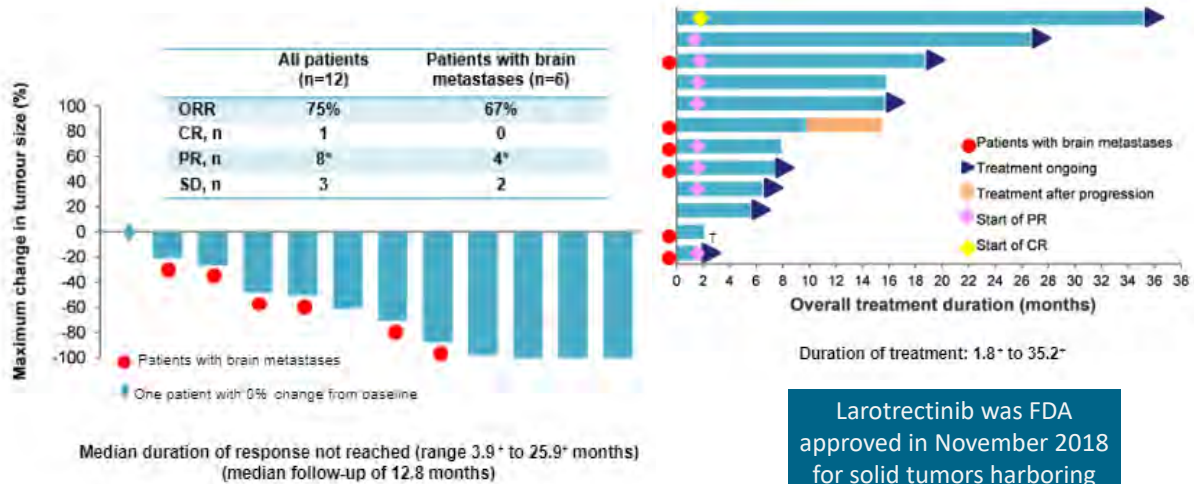
NTRK fusions are found across multiple cancer histologies

1500-5000 patients in United States annually

Hyman American Society of Clinical Oncology Annual Meeting 2017

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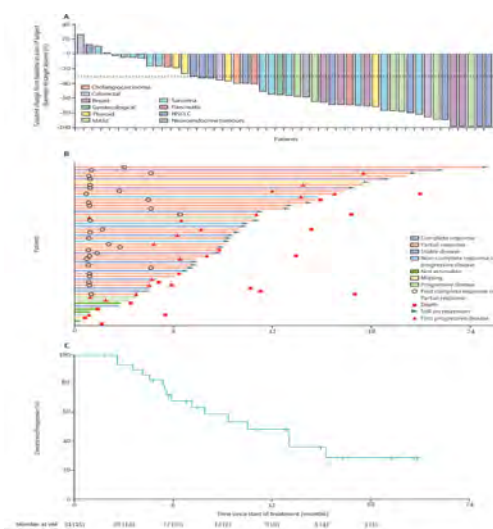
LOXO-TRK-14001/SCOUT/NAVIGATE TRIALS: Larotrectinib with efficacy in solid tumors with NTRK gene fusion



Farago et al World Conference on Lung Cancer 2019

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ALKA-372-001/STARTRK-1/STARTRK-2 TRIALS: Entrectinib with efficacy in solid tumors with NTRK gene fusion



- Pooled analysis of 3 phase I/II trials
- 10 different tumor types
- 31 of 54 patients had objective response
 - 7% CR
 - 50% PR
- Most common AEs
 - Increased weight
 - Anemia
 - Cognitive disorder

Entrectinib was FDA approved in August 2019 for solid tumors harboring NTRK gene fusion

Doebele et al Lancet Oncol 2020;21(2):271-282

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NTRK Targeted Therapies: Summary

- NTRK is an uncommon mutation in NSCLC (<0.5%)
- NTRK inhibitors larotrectinib and entrectinib are FDA approved for NTRK positive solid tumors, including NSCLC
- High response rates (>70%) and generally well tolerated

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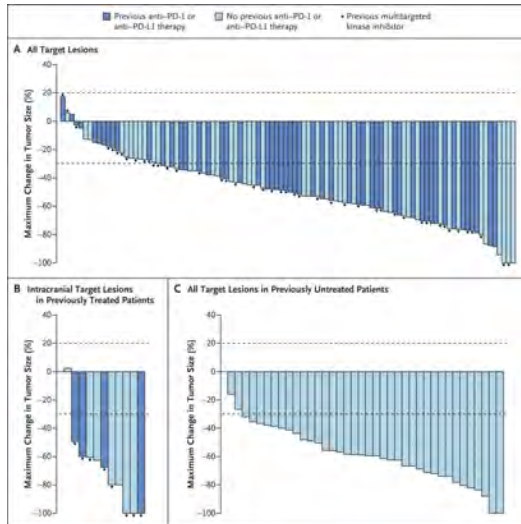
RET Alterations

- Seen mostly in lung and thyroid cancers
- Multi-kinase inhibitors target various kinases and other receptors (including RET)
 - Sunitinib, sorafenib, vandetanib, cabozantinib, regorafenib, lenvatinib, alectinib
 - Limited clinical benefit
 - Dose-limiting off target toxic effects
- Recent FDA approvals of selpercatinib and pralsetinib

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LIBRETTO-001 TRIAL:

Selpercatinib effective in *RET*-fusion-positive NSCLC



- 105 patients with RET positive NSCLC
- ORR= 64%
- Intracranial response: 91%
 - Noted in 10/11 patients with CNS mets
- Most common AEs
 - HTN
 - Increased AST

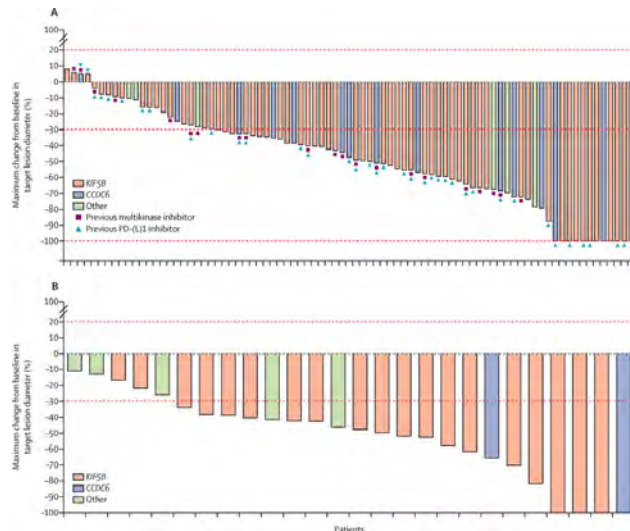
In May 2020, selpercatinib was FDA approved for patients with RET+ NSCLC

Drillon et al NEJM 2020;383:813-834

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ARROW TRIAL:

Pralsetinib effective in *RET*-fusion-positive NSCLC



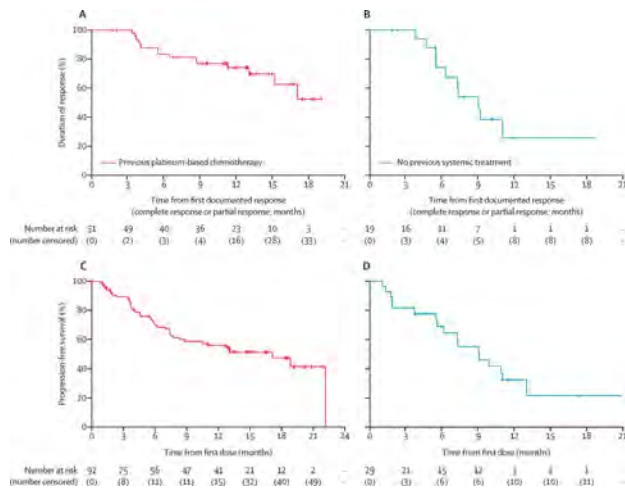
- Phase I/II study
- 233 patients with RET positive NSCLC
 - 92 patients with prior platinum-based chemo (ORR= 61%)
 - 29 patients were treatment naïve (ORR= 70%)
- Most common AEs
 - Neutropenia
 - HTN
 - Anemia

In December 2020, pralsetinib was FDA approved for patients with RET+ NSCLC

Gainor et al. Lancet Oncol 2021;22(7):959-969

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Pralsetinib



- Shrinkage of CNS mets noted in all 9 patients with measurable intracranial metastases
 - 5/9 patients had intracranial response (with 3 CRs)

Gainor et al. Lancet Oncol 2021;22(7):959-969

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RET Targeted Therapy: Summary

- RET fusions seen in 1-2% of NSCLC
- Associated with high risk of CNS metastases
- Selpercatinib and pralsetinib are newly FDA approved options for RET-rearranged NSCLC

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Conclusions

- Obtain sufficient tissue for molecular testing, even in early stage patients
- Driver mutations (even rare subsets) are being identified on NGS panels in NSCLC tumor specimens
- Novel targeted therapeutics offer better outcomes with many recent FDA approvals
- Cancer Moonshot initiative
 - Accelerate research, making more therapies available through precision oncology
 - Bench to bedside

BREAK
EXHIBIT HALL OPEN

3:50 p.m. – 4:05 p.m.



Palliation Therapies (Stents, Laser Therapy, Indwelling Pleural Catheters)

4:05 a.m. – 4:50 a.m.

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Palliation Therapy (Stents, Laser, Indwelling Pleural Catheters)

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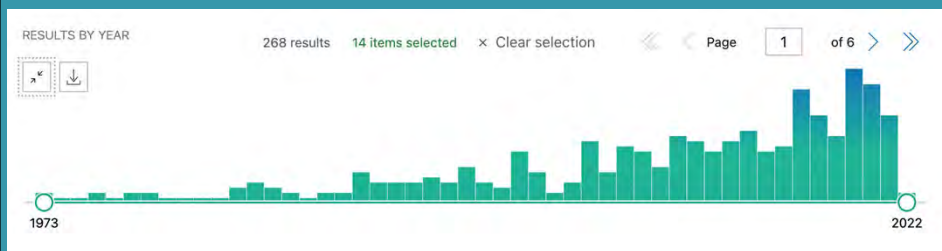
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Objectives

- Palliative therapy in lung cancer
- Airway interventions for CAO
 - Dilation
 - Debridement: laser, cryo-, argon plasma
 - Stents
 - Photodynamic therapy
- Pleural interventions
 - Pleurodesis
 - Indwelling pleural catheters

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Literature on Lung Cancer and CAO

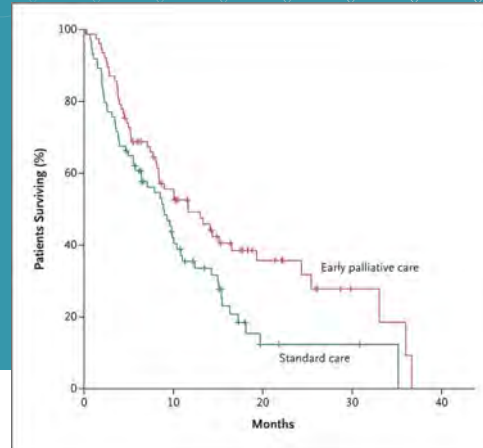


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Benefit of Palliative Care in Advanced Lung Cancer

- Improved patient reported outcomes
 - Quality of life
 - Mood
- Improved health care delivery
 - Hospice utilization
 - Less aggressive care
- Improved survival

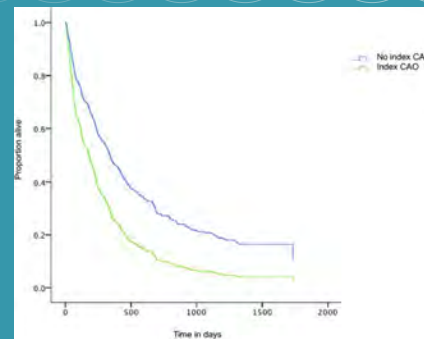
N Engl J Med 2010; 363:733-742



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Prevalence and Outcome of Central Airway Obstruction in Patients with Lung Cancer

- BMJ 2019 Sep 24;6(1)
- Single Center CT study of 342 patients
- Prevalence 15%, 5% incidence
 - Missed on index CT in 31%
- CAO associated with worse outcome
 - Median survival of 94 days
 - Risk of death: HR = 2.48, p=0.001

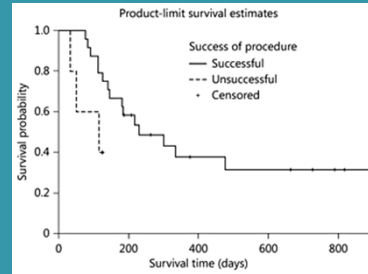


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Airway Patency Associated with Better Outcomes

• Therapeutic bronchoscopy improves spirometry, quality of life, and survival in central airway obstruction. Mahmood K, Wahid MM, Thomas S, Argento AC, Ninan NA, Smathers EC, Shofer SL. *Respiration*. 2015; 89(3):404-13.

- 53 patients with CAO
 - Successful bronchoscopic intervention
 - Various interventions used
 - Significant improvement in
 - FVC
 - FEV1
 - SGRQ score
 - SF-36 domains



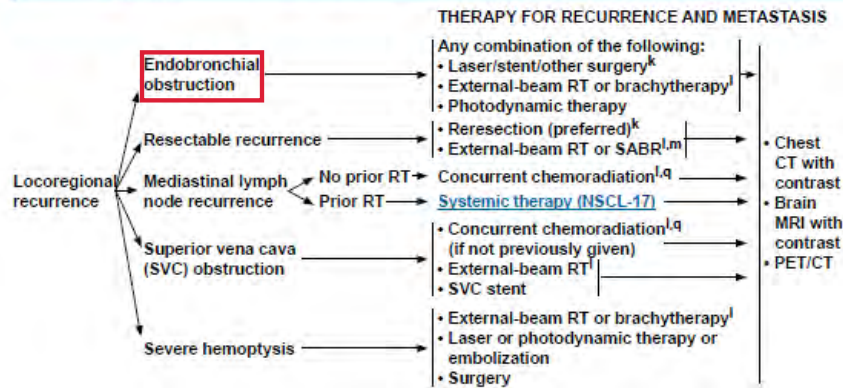
• Patients in whom airway patency could not be achieved had worse survival.

- Similar survival compared to patients without CAO
Chhajed PN et al, Chest 2006 Dec;130(6):1803-7

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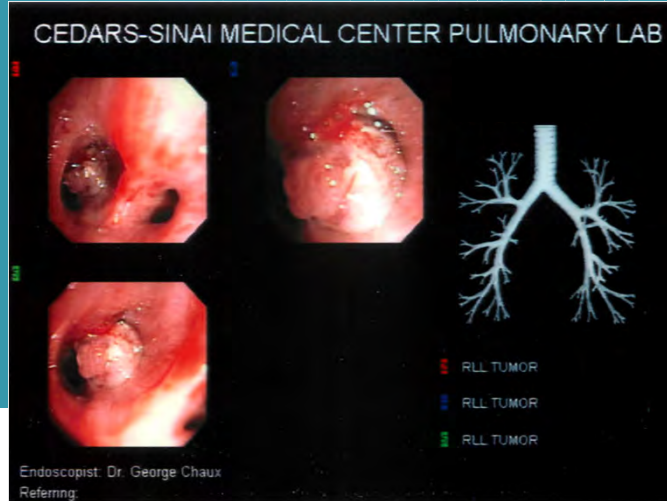
NCCN NSCLC Guidelines Approach to CAO

NCCN National Comprehensive Cancer Network®
NCCN Guidelines Version 3.2017
Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer



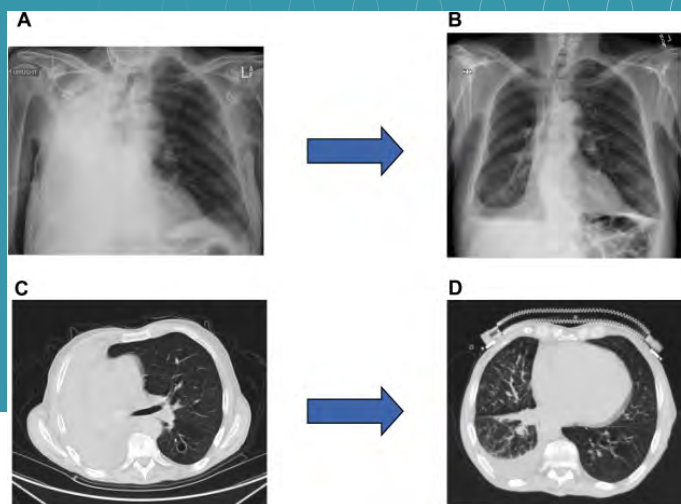
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Endobronchial Tumor



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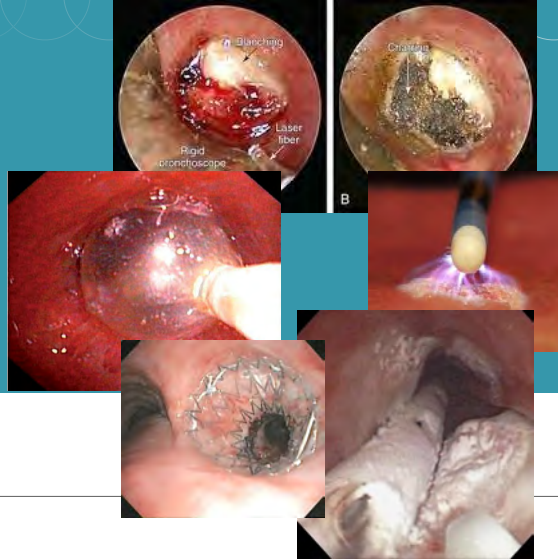
Atelectasis due to CAO



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Airway Interventions for Bronchogenic and Metastatic Carcinoma of the Lung

- Dilation
- Debridement
 - laser
 - cryo-
 - argon plasma
- Stents
- Photodynamic therapy



Hot versus Cold Therapies

Hot

- Laser
 - KTP
 - Nd:YAG
- Argon plasma photocoagulation
- Electrocautery

Cold

- Balloon dilation
- Cryo-ablation
- Photodynamic therapy
- Brachytherapy
- Stents

Rigid versus Flexible Bronchoscopy

• Rigid bronchoscopy

- Traditionally used
- Special skill
- Advantages
 - Airway stabilization
 - Ventilation
 - Mechanical dilation/debridement
 - Better for bleeding and secretions?
- Disadvantages
 - Airway/laryngeal injury
 - Not as versatile
 - Image quality

• Flexible Bronchoscopy

- Easier to handle
- Great visibility
- More versatile
- Disadvantages
 - Intubation
 - Scope damage



FLEXIBLE FIBEROPTIC BRONCHOSCOPE

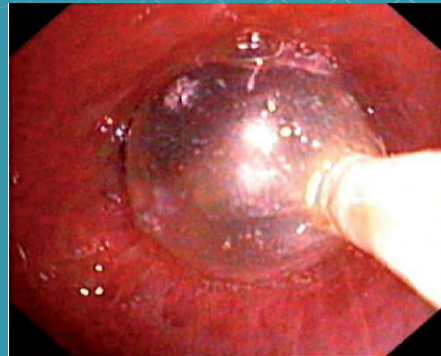


RIGID METAL BRONCHOSCOPE

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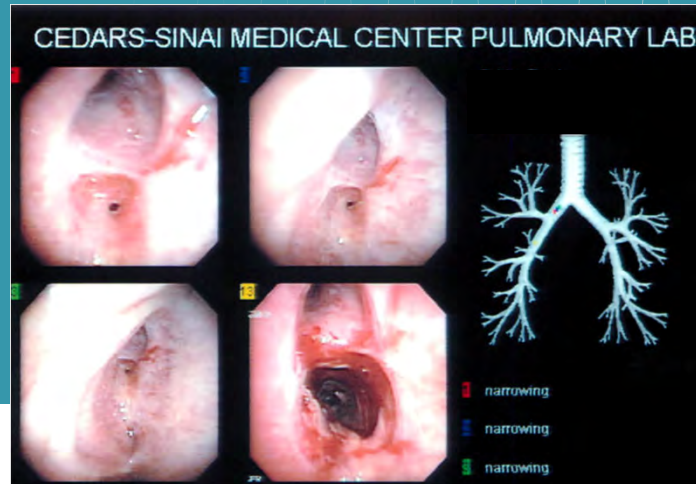
Airway Interventions: Balloon Dilation

- Relatively less Invasive
- Relatively safe
- Temporizing
- Risks
 - Bleeding
 - Airway perforation



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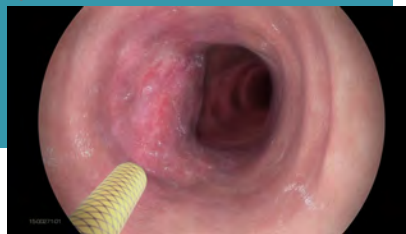
Balloon Dilation



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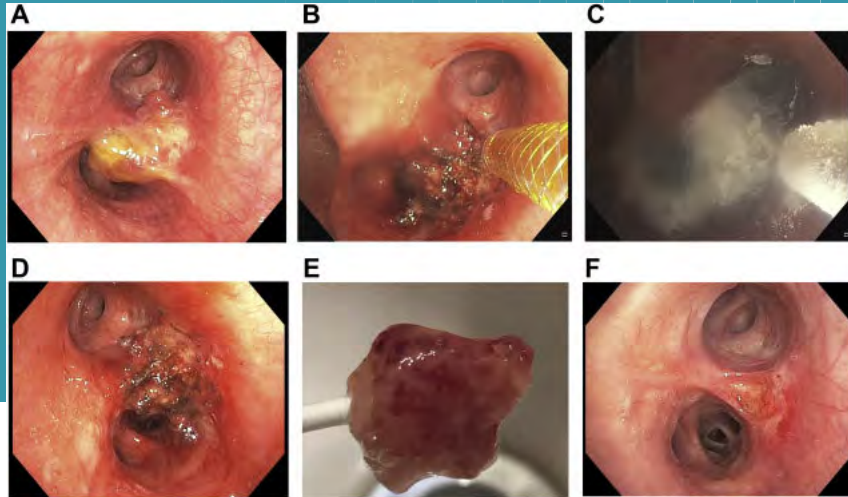
Liquid Nitrogen Spray Cryotherapy

- Liquid Nitrogen -196 degree C
- Rapid freezing and thawing causes apoptosis
- Low pressure spray < 3 psi
- No risk of fire
- Risk of pneumothorax and pneumomediastinum



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SCT Treatment of Endobronchial Carcinoid





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Laser Therapy for CAO

Cedars Sinai Medical Center
Bronchoscopy Exam Images

Patient: Attending Physician: George Chaux M.D.
Patient ID: Exam Date: 05/18/2010

R MAIN STEM ANASTOMOSIS POST LASER

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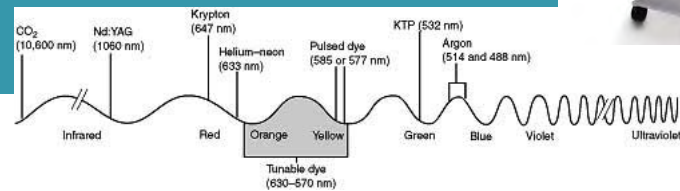
Laser Therapy for CAO

Laser options

- Nd:YAG – neodymium:yttrium-aluminum-garnet
- ND:YAP – neodymium:yttrium-aluminum-perovskite
- KTP – potassium titanyl phosphate
- CO₂ - carbon dioxide
- Holmium

Laser alternatives

- APC – argon plasma coagulation
- Electrocautery



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Laser Characteristics

(Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation)

Laser light is monochromatic, bright, unidirectional and coherent

Monochromatic

- Light emitted at the same wavelength and energy
- Allows for precise targeting of tissue with sparing of adjacent structures

Brilliance

- Intense and well centered
- Allows for peak power

Coherency

- Photons emitted vibrate in phase, a measure of precision of the waveform
- Allows for precise focusing

Directionality

- All photons travel in a single direction
- Allows for focusing on a small spot



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Laser-Tissue Interaction

Laser beam that encounters tissue is absorbed, reflected, scattered or transmitted

Photons interact with matter only by transferring energy so only absorbed photons can have a tissue effect

A Chromophore is required for photon absorption

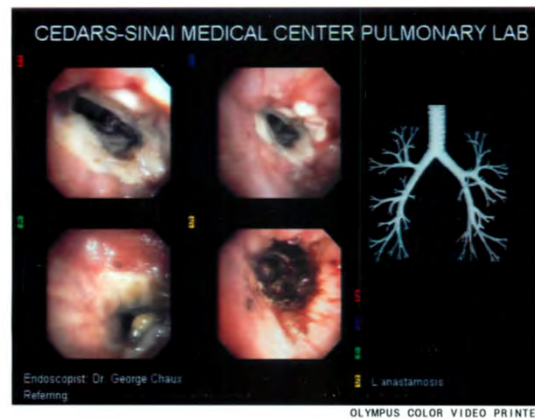
- A material in tissue that absorbs wavelengths depending on its absorption coefficient
- Hgb, water, proteins, amino acids, nucleic acids and bilirubin

The aim of medical grade lasers is to increase absorption and minimize transmission, scatter and reflection

- Absorbed photons produce thermal, mechanical and chemical changes in tissue
- High energy photons are typically delivered in ultrashort pulses of nanoseconds

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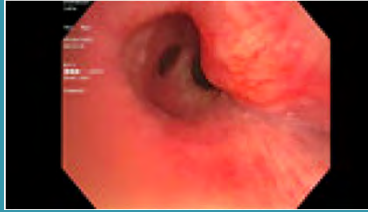
Laser Debridement – Anastomotic Stricture



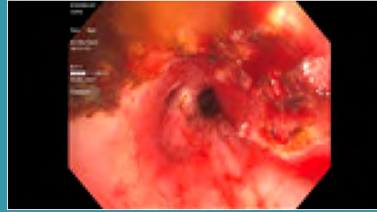
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Laser Debridement – Airway Tumor

Pre-KTP Laser



Post-KTP Laser



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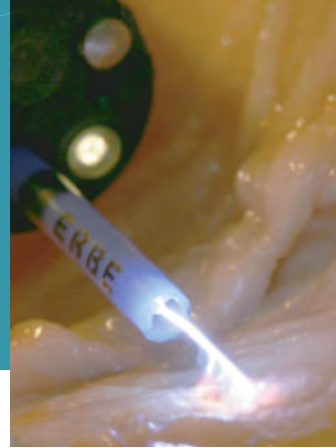
Does Laser Debridement Affect Outcomes in Lung Cancer?

- Han C.C., Prasetyo D., Wright G.M.: Endobronchial palliation using Nd:YAG laser is associated with improved survival when combined with multimodal adjuvant treatments. *J Thorac Oncol* 2007; 2: pp. 59-64.
- Retrospective
- 110 patients who underwent 153 laser treatments
- Nd:YAG laser
- Two groups
 - Laser alone: 30
 - Laser plus multimodality therapy: 80 (stenting, chemo, radiation)
- Results in median survival
 - Multimodality 6.99 months vs. 3.77 months (P=0.002) for all malignancies
 - Multimodality 7.17 months vs. 2.27 months (P<0.001) for NSCLC

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Argon Plasma Coagulation

- Electrosurgery = application of an alternating current to tissues in order to induce a thermal effect
- Temperatures above 60 degrees C cause coagulation and cell death
- APC
 - Electrical current is used to ignite Argon gas discharged from the tube surrounding the active electrode
 - Biochemically inert and inexpensive
 - Penetration depth is a few millimeters
 - Establishes hemostasis and tissue debridement
- Applications in general surgery, urology, ENT, GI and bronchoscopy
- Generally, very safe



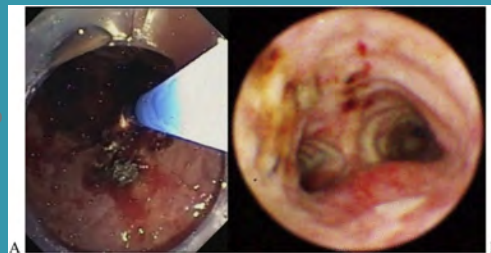
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Clinical efficacy of argon plasma coagulation combined with cryotherapy for central airway stenosis caused by lung cancer

Wang Z, Wang W, Wu G.

J Cardiothorac Surg. 2019 Aug 28;14(1):155

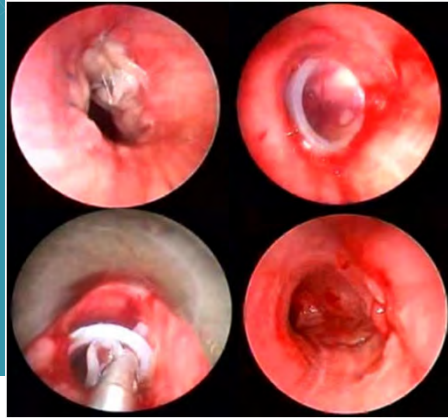
- Retrospective analysis
- 177 patients with CAO
 - 43 received cryotherapy alone
 - 134 received cryotherapy plus APC
- Improvements noted in the APC group
 - Karnofsky score
 - Oxygenation
 - Ventilation (PaCO₂)
 - Bleeding, fever and arrhythmia
 - 72% vs. 51% survival



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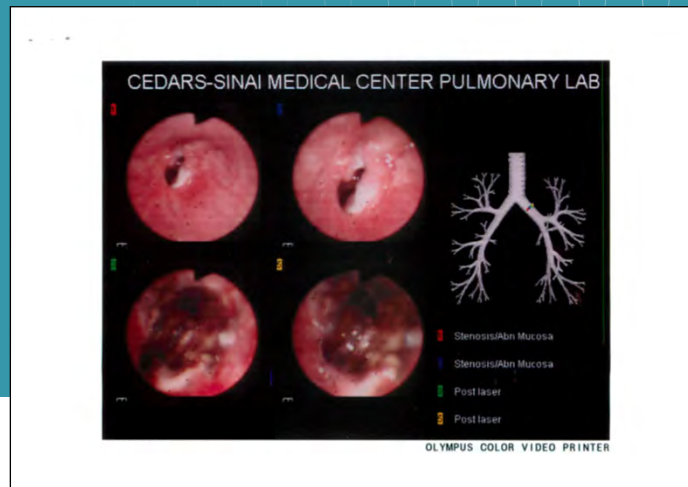
Stenting for Central Airway Obstruction

- Silicone
- Metal
- Hybrid



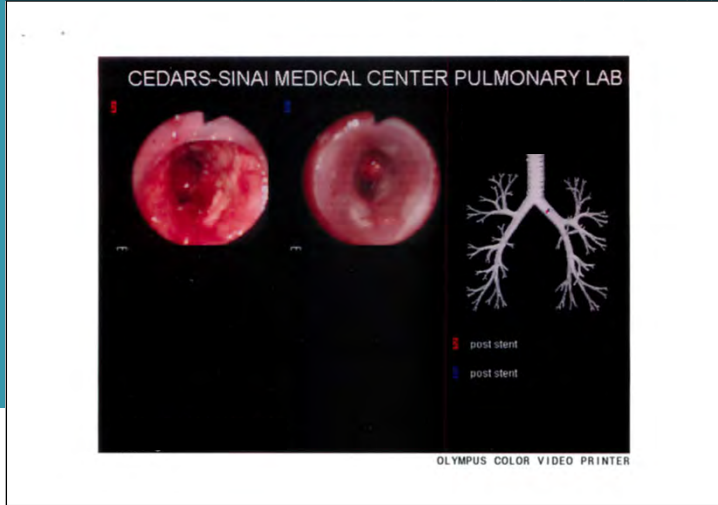
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Laser and Stent



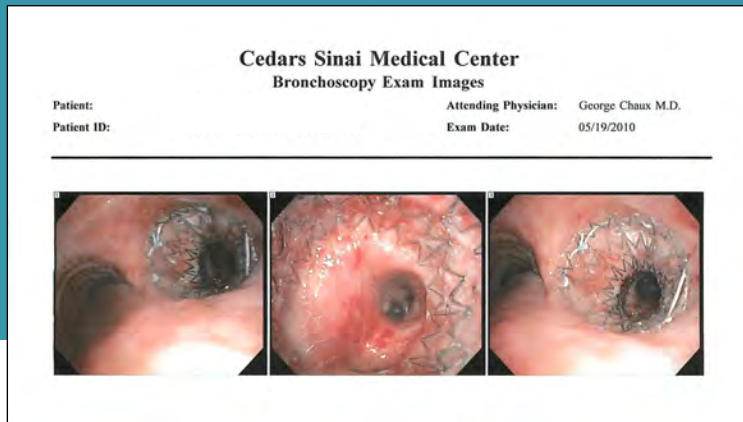
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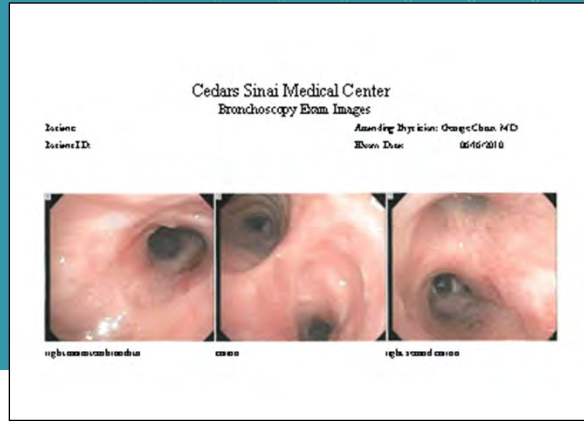
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Bronchial Stent for Benign Stricture



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Benign Stricture post Stent Removal

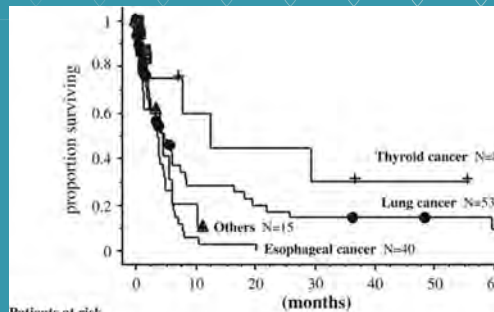


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Contributions of Airway Stent for Long-term Outcome in Patients with Malignant Central Airway Stenosis or Obstruction

Iyoda A, Azuma Y, Sano A, Sakai T, Koezuka S, Otsuka H, Tochigi N, Isobe K, Sakamoto S, Takagi K. *J Bronchology Interv Pulmonol.* 2021 Jul 1;28(3):228-234

- Retrospective analysis
- 116 patients at a single center in Japan
- All had starting of CAO or stenosis over 10 yrs.
 - 53 lung cancer
 - 40 esophageal cancer
 - 8 thyroid cancer
 - 15 others
- Best prognosis: thyroid followed by lung cancer especially with chemorad
- Worse prognosis: esophageal cancer
- Most complications: thyroid cancer



Patients at risk

	0	10	20	30	40	50	60
Thyroid cancer	8	4	3	2	1	1	0
Lung cancer	53	10	7	5	4	3	2
Others	15	2	1	0	0	0	0
Esophageal cancer	40	2	1	0	0	0	0

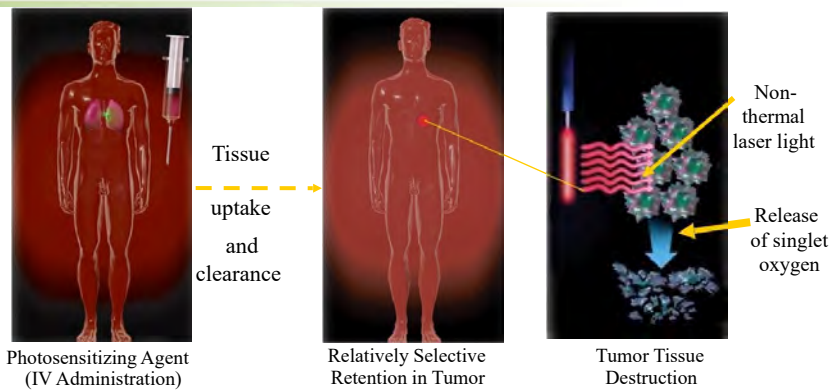
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Impact of Silicone Stent Placement in Symptomatic Airway Obstruction due to Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer – A French Multicenter Randomized Controlled Study. The SPOC Trial
 Dutau H, Di Palma F, Thibout Y, Febvre M, Cellerin L, Naudin F, Hermant C, Vallerand H, Lachkar S, Fournier C, Laroumagne S, Quiot JJ, Vergnon JM; SPOC Investigators.
Respiration. 2020;99(4):344-352

- First RCT investigating the benefit of silicone stent insertion after successful therapeutic bronchoscopy in symptomatic malignant airway obstruction without extrinsic compression
- Underpowered
- Did not meet primary endpoint of 1-year survival rate
- Demonstrated benefit at 1-year
 - Dyspnea score
 - Obstruction recurrence
 - Need for additional bronchoscopic intervention


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Photodynamic Therapy (PDT): Overview



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Light Dosimetry





A range of quartz optical rigid and flexible fibers fitted with cylinder diffuser tips: 1.0cm to 5.0cm (Optiguide® Fiber Optic)

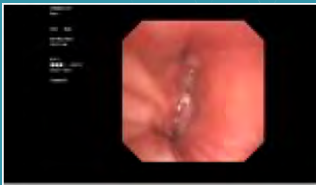
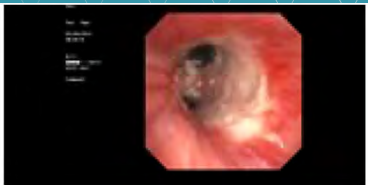
200J/cm for interstitial therapy, or intraluminal therapy, over 8 minutes and 20 seconds





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Pre- and Post-PDT




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Outcomes of patients with advanced non-small cell lung cancer and airway obstruction treated with photodynamic therapy and non-photodynamic therapy ablation modalities

Jayadevappa R, Chhatre S, Soukiasian HJ, Murgu S. *J Thorac Dis.* 2019 Oct;11(10):4389-4399

- SEER Medicare database
- Stage III and IV NSCLC patients from 2000 - 2011
- Three treatment groups:
 - PDT + rad +/- chemo
 - Non-PDT ablation + rad +/- chemo
 - Rad/chemo
- All-cause and cause-specific mortality
 - Similar HR of mortality in PDT c/ Rad/chemo
 - Non-PDT ablation group had higher mortality c/ Rad/chemo

Association between treatment type and mortality

Covariates	All-cause mortality		Lung cancer-specific mortality	
	OR	95% CI	OR	95% CI
Treatment group				
PDT*	1.03	0.73-1.45	1.04	0.71-1.51
Non-PDT ablation**	1.22	1.13-1.33	1.10	1.01-1.20
Radiation + chemo (reference)	-	-	-	-
Age at diagnosis	1.01	1.01-1.04	1.00	1.00-1.01
Race and ethnicity				
White (reference)	1.13	1.09-1.15	1.04	1.01-1.07
Other (reference)	-	-	-	-
Marital status				
Married	0.91	0.89-0.93	1.00	0.98-1.03
Other (reference)	-	-	-	-
Gender				
Male	1.28	1.26-1.31	1.03	1.01-1.05
Female (reference)	-	-	-	-
Geographic region				
Metro	0.94	0.93-0.97	0.99	0.97-1.02
Non-metro (reference)	-	-	-	-
Comorbidity score				
Comorbidity ≥1	1.19	1.17-1.22	0.99	0.97-1.01
Zero comorbidity (reference)	-	-	-	-
Stage				
Stage III	0.64	0.62-0.65	0.90	0.88-0.92
Stage IV (reference)	-	-	-	-

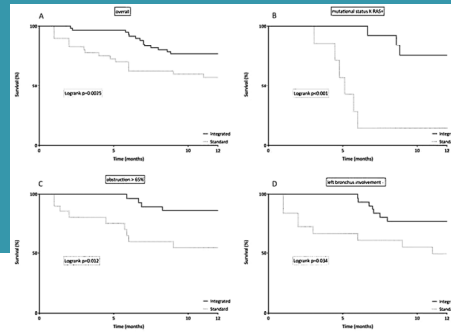


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EVERMORE Trial

Integrated interventional bronchoscopy in the treatment of locally advanced non-small lung cancer with central/obstructive airway Obstructions: a multicenter, phase II prospective study (EVERMORE). Marchioni A, Andrisani D, Tonelli R, Piro R, Andreani A, Cappiello GF, Meschiaro E, Dominici M, Bavieri M, Barbieri F, Taddei S, Casalini E, Falco F, Gozzi F, Bruzzi G, Fantini R, Tabbi L, Castaniere I, Facciolongo N, Cini E; EVERMORE Study group. *Lung Cancer.* 2020 Oct;148:40-47.

- Retrospective cohort study conducted at two teaching hospitals
- 60 patients received interventional bronchoscopy plus chemo/rad; 40 patients received chemo/rad
- Improved 1-year survival
- Reduced new hospitalizations, increased symptom free interval and prevented atelectasis

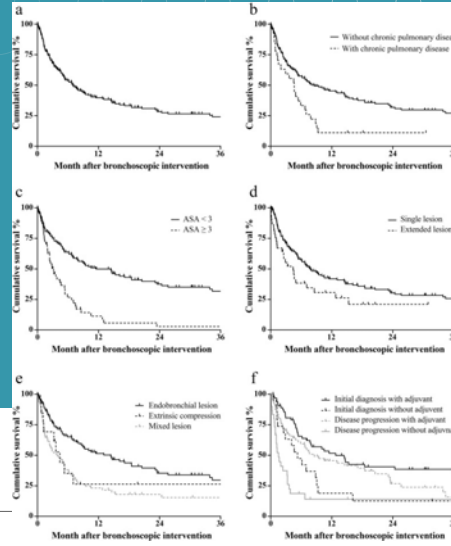


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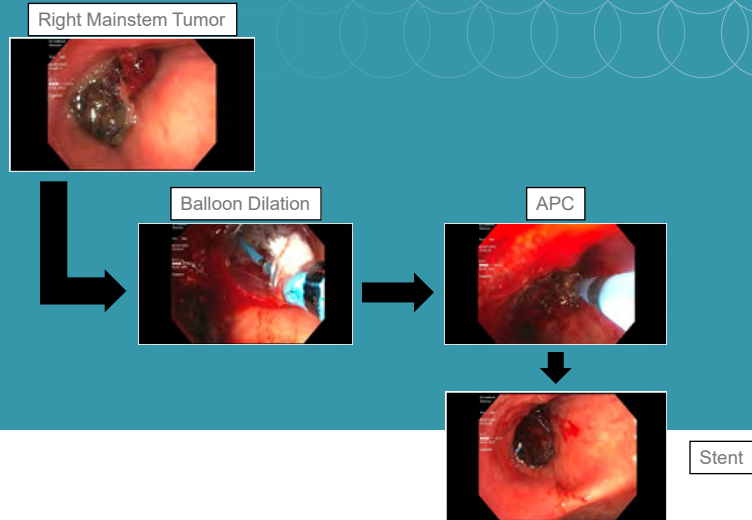
Prognostic factors for survival after bronchoscopic intervention in patients with airway obstruction due to primary pulmonary malignancy

Kim BG, Shin B, Chang B, Kim H, Jeong BH.
BMC Pulm Med. 2020 Feb 27;20(1):54.

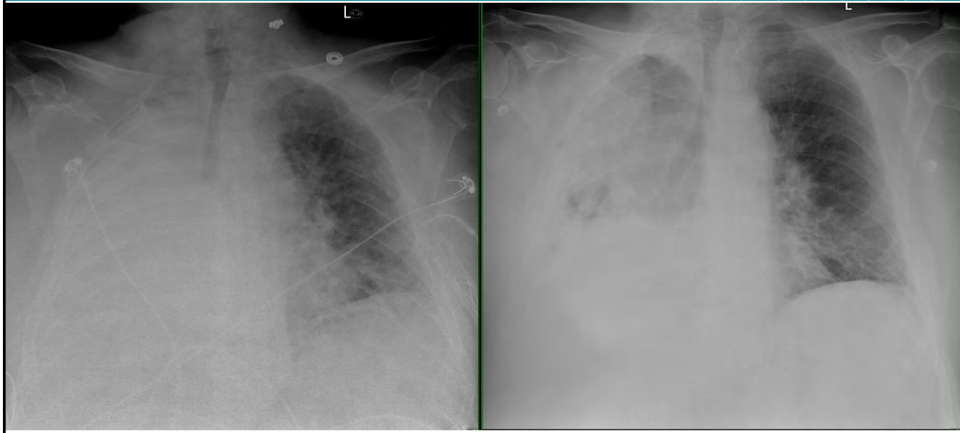
- Single center
- Retrospective study
- 224 patients with CAO due to primary lung cancer
- Median survival: 7 months
- One- and two-year survival: 39.7% and 28.3%
- Poor survival in
 - Chronic pulmonary disease
 - Poor performance status
 - Extended lesion
 - Extrinsic or mixed lesion
 - CAO due to disease progression
 - No adjuvant treatment



Multimodality Approach to CAO



Multimodality Approach



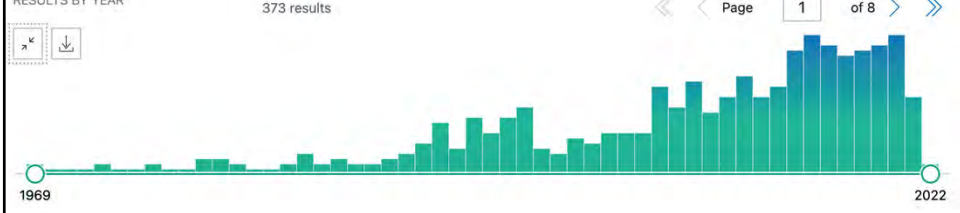
Pre-CXR Pre-CXR

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Literature on Pleurodesis for Lung Cancer

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Palliative Interventions for Pleural Disease

• Incidence

- 22% of all pleural effusions diagnosed in the USA – 150,000 (Javed Atmani et al., 2020)
- In 2012 – 126,825 patients with MPE were admitted to hospital in the US (Verte et al., 2021)

• Morbidity and mortality

- Median survival of 3 to 24 months (Coker-Kuzman et al., 2018)
- Dyspnea and chest pain

• Approaches to palliation

- Pleurodesis
 - Talc
 - Hypertonic glucose
 - Autologous blood
 - Iodopovidone
 - Minocycline
 - Mechanical
- Indwelling pleural drainage



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Talc Pleurodesis

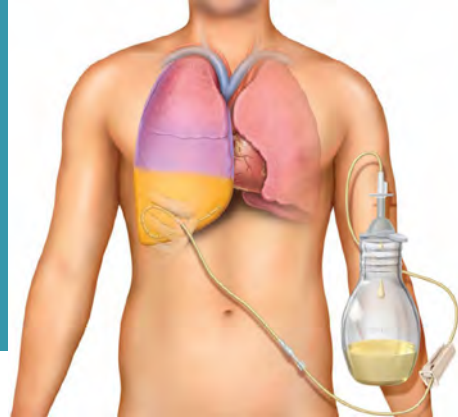


- 2016 Cochrane meta-analysis – Clive AO et al., *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2016;5
 - 62 RCTs
 - Talc is likely the most efficacious agent
 - Best administered by VATS
- Talc Poudrage vs. Slurry – Bhanagar P et al., *Health Technology Assessment* 2020 Jun;24(26):1-90
 - 330 adults at 17 NHS hospitals in the UK
 - Randomized to thoracoscopy with 4 gm Talc poudrage versus chest tube and 4 gm Talc slurry
 - Primary outcome: pleurodesis failure at 90 days
 - No difference – 22% vs. 24% failure rate
 - No difference in adverse events, hospital days and all-cause mortality (40% vs. 42% at 180 days)

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Indwelling Pleural Catheters

- Narrow, soft silicone catheter with a one-way valve
- Tunnelled insertion
- Allow for home drainage
- Improvement in symptoms – 89 to 100% (Staba et al., 2019)
- Outpatient procedure
- Decreased need to hospitalization and access the healthcare system (Cabezas et al., 2019)
- Infections rare (Chahoud et al., 2019)
- Allows for pleurodesis
- Cost savings
 - \$42,376 for a median 5.5-day hospital stay for MPE (Taghizadeh et al., 2017)
 - Potential savings of \$7,705/day



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Talc versus IPC for Malignant Pleura Effusion

[Interventions for the management of malignant pleural effusions: a network meta-analysis](#), Dipper A, Jones HE, Bhatnagar R, Preston NJ, Maskell N, Clive AO. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev.* 2020 Apr 21;4(4):CD010529.

- Meta-analysis of 80 RCTs
- Fewer failure rates with Talc
- IPC associated with inferior definitive pleurodesis rates
- Comparable control of breathlessness
- Lower rate of requiring repeat pleural interventions with IPC
- Conclusion: "Local availability, global experience of agents and adverse events (which may not be identified in randomized trials) and patient preference must be considered when selecting an intervention."

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Thank You



Post-Test and Adjourn

4:50 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.



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