

Take it to the Limits:  
Strategies to Fine-Tune Your  
Donor (an 'interactive' presentation)

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Persistence...



Give it up,  
man...no  
matter how  
hard you  
try, you still  
can't dance!

Questions to run on:

- How can I use the monitoring 'tools' at my disposal to optimize my donor?
- How can I apply the basic science of oxygen delivery and consumption to increase organ yield?

Imagine you are on referral call:

- 32 y/o female presented to outside hospital with c/o headaches increasing in past 3 weeks 10 mo post partum.
- Diagnosed with Sagittal Sinus Thrombosis and transferred to the neurosurgeon at tertiary referral center
- Arrested in flight on transfer; intubated en-route and presents to ED hypothermic, hypotensive, hyperglycemic and anuric with fixed, dilated pupils.
- 3 pressors to get SBP to 90
- Family has not yet arrived. (They last saw her walking and talking and are driving to the facility).

First labs

- ABG (100%): 6.96/30/9/-13/78
- Na – 164; K – 5.4; **BS – 623**
- Cr – 2.7
- H/H – 16/48, plt – 528, INR – 2.7
- Vitals: (on w/o neo, 15 u/kg/min DA, Levo started) T- 93.1(r), B/P-100/52; HR – 122 (ST)
- The ED ward clerk is calling the OPO with this information because the GCS of 3 triggers their protocol for early notification from the ED.

Questions

- What are your thoughts on the possibility of this lady being an organ donor?
- Do you rule her out because she is unstable?
- Do you rule out because the situation is too disastrous and the family has '...been through too much already?'
- Is this lady in shock? If so, what type?

## Comments

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## Definition of Shock

- *Shock occurs when the supply of oxygen and nutrients are inadequate to meet cellular metabolic demands*

## Types of Shock

- Hypovolemic
- Cardiogenic
- Distributive
  - Neurogenic
  - Septic
  - Anaphylactic

## Jail Warden Exercise

- Warden of a Jail
- 'Bad Benny' Barrymore sent to solitary confinement for 2 months.
- Only access is through a slit window open on one side at a time.
- You are to determine how much to feed him and keep him reasonably healthy

*How do you know when he's had enough?*

## What is in your 'toolbox?' (increasing level of 'invasiveness')

- History
- Physical Exam
- 'Static' Labs
- Non-invasive Vital signs
- Invasive vital signs (peripheral)
- Invasive vital signs (central)
- **'Functional' labs**

## History

- Age
- PMH (DM, COPD, CAD, Renal dz...)
- PSH (thoracic, abdominal, cardiac)
- Medications
- Allergies
- Mechanism of injury / event

## Physical Exam (IPPA)

- Inspection: (Jaundice, deformities, scars, urine in the foley,color, JVD...)
- Palpation: (skin temp / turgor, edema, chest rise...)
- Percussion: (hyperresonance /dullness)
- Auscultation: (murmurs, rhonchi,wheezes bowel sounds)

## Labs

- ABG: (Oxygenation, ventilation, acidosis)
- Electrolytes (Dehydration, dilution)
- Hemogram
- LFTs
- Coags

## Non-invasive Vital Signs

- GCS
- Temperature
- Blood pressure
- Heart Rate
- [Respiratory Rate]
- **Urine Output**
- \* 'Pain is a 5<sup>th</sup> vital sign' (editorial)

## Invasive Vital Signs:

- Peripheral:
  - Arterial line (SBP, DBP, MBP)
  - Flotrac, LiDCO, PiCCO, etc. (CO, SVR, **SVV**, GEDI, ITBVI, ETVI, GEF)
- Central:
  - CVL: CVP
  - Swan-Ganz catheter (CI / SVR / PA/ CVP/ SVO2)

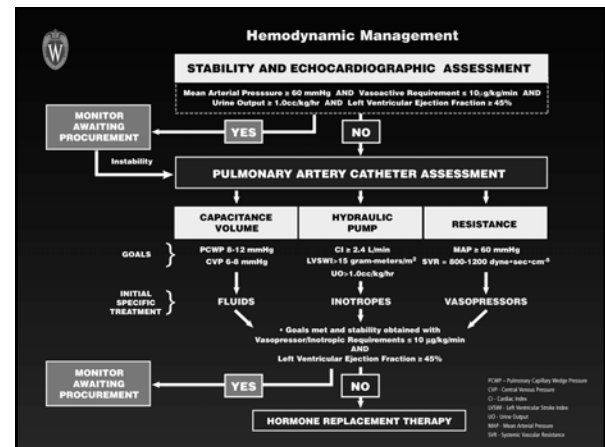
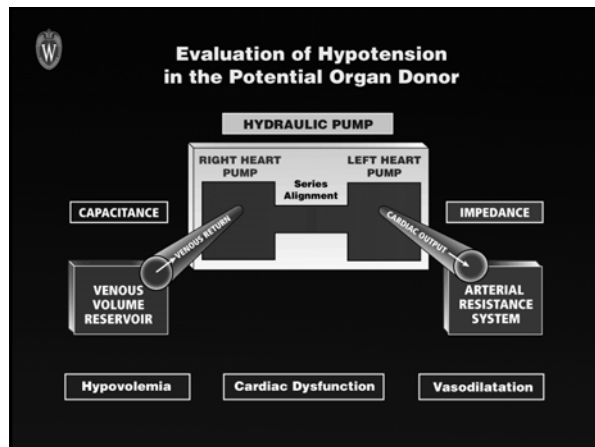
## 'Functional' Labs'

- Oxygen Delivery (DO<sub>2</sub>)
- Oxygen consumption (VO<sub>2</sub>)
- Oxygen Extraction Ratio (O<sub>2</sub>ER)
- Serum lactate

## Comments

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## Evaluation of the Hemodynamically Unstable Donor



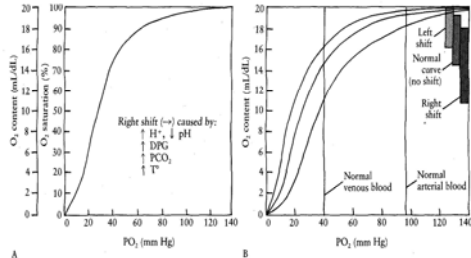
## Determinants of O<sub>2</sub> Delivery

- Cardiac Output
  - HR X S.V.
- Arterial O<sub>2</sub> Content = CaO<sub>2</sub>
  - [Hb x 1.39 x SaO<sub>2</sub>] + [PaO<sub>2</sub> x 0.0031]
- DO<sub>2</sub> (O<sub>2</sub> Delivery)
  - C.O. x CaO<sub>2</sub> x 10

## Determinants of O<sub>2</sub> Delivery

- Pulmonary Status
  - COPD, pneumonia, ARDS, contusion
- Cardiac Status
  - CAD, myopathy, post-CAB, contusion
- Anemia
  - Acute, chronic
- Poisons (Hb•O<sub>2</sub> dissociation curve...)
  - Smoking, cyanide, CO poisoning
- Atmospheric conditions
  - Mountain hiking, deep sea diving

## Hb•O<sub>2</sub> Dissociation Curve



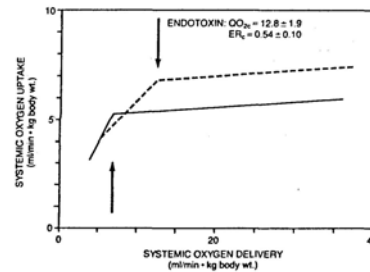
## Determinants of O<sub>2</sub> Consumption

- Cardiac output
  - HR x S.V.
- Venous O<sub>2</sub> content = CvO<sub>2</sub>
  - [Hb x 1.39 x SVO<sub>2</sub>] + [PvO<sub>2</sub> X 0.0031]
- VO<sub>2</sub> (O<sub>2</sub> consumption)
  - C.O. X [C(a-v)O<sub>2</sub>] x 10

## Determinants of O<sub>2</sub> Consumption (Cont'd)

- Metabolic rate
- Stress
- Sepsis
- Poisoning
- ARDS

## Supply Dependence vs. Independence



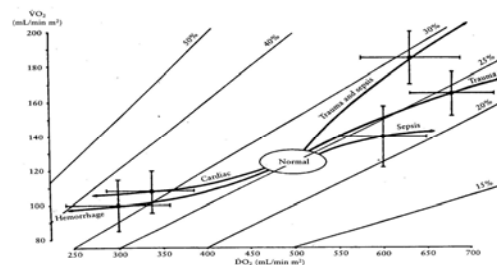
## Abnormalities of O<sub>2</sub> Utilization With Illness

Table 6-2. Disease-related alterations of oxygen utilization

Disorder	Cardiac output	Hb	PaO <sub>2</sub>	PvO <sub>2</sub>	DO <sub>2</sub>	VO <sub>2</sub>	Extraction ratio	Abn. Q	Abn. CaO <sub>2</sub>	Abn. O <sub>2</sub> use
Pulmonary disease*	N	N, ↑	↓	N, ↓	↓	↓	N, ↑	No	Yes	No
CHF/cardiogenic shock*	↓↓	N	N, ↓	↓	↓	↓	N, ↓	Yes, macro	±	No
Hypovolemic shock*	↓	N	N	↓	↓	↓	N, ↓	No	No	No
Hemorrhagic shock*	↓	↓	N	↓	↓	↓	N, ↓	No	Yes	No
Anemia*	N, ↑	↓	N	↓	↓	↓	N, ↑	No	Yes	No
Cyanide toxicity*	↑	N	N	↑	↑	↑	↓	No	No	Yes
CD poisoning*	N, ↑	N	N	↑	↓	↓	↓	No	Yes	Yes
Arterial occlusion*	N	N	N	N	N	N	↑ (L)	No G, yes L	No G, yes L	No G, yes L
ARDS/sepsis*	↑	N	N	↑	↑	↑	↓	Yes, micro	No	Yes

Key: Hb = hemoglobin; CHF = congestive heart failure; CD = carbon monoxide; ARDS = adult respiratory distress syndrome; N = normal; G = global; L = local; ↑ = increased; ↓ = decreased; macro = in the systemic circulation; micro = in the microcirculation.  
 \*VO<sub>2</sub> maintained by an increased extraction of O<sub>2</sub> until the maximum extraction ratio is exceeded, then VO<sub>2</sub> becomes flow limited.  
 \*VO<sub>2</sub> is limited by cytochrome block at cell level.  
 \*VO<sub>2</sub> is decreased by both a decrease in DO<sub>2</sub> and an extraction defect.  
 \*Cyanide pathophysiologic state when usual laboratory and hemodynamic measurements often do not reflect local defects.  
 \*VO<sub>2</sub> decreased secondary to an extraction defect in the face of normal to elevated DO<sub>2</sub>—based on both abnormal flow and use.

## Abnormalities of O<sub>2</sub> Utilization With Illness (Graphic)



## Let's go back to our referral

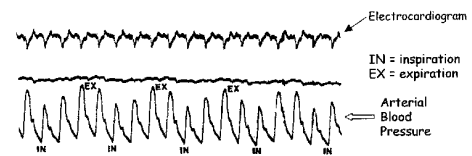
- ER nurse convinces Neurosurgeon to consult critical care
- Intensivist come to the ED [*curses*] and starts NS wide open and gets patient to the unit.
- Uses the 'tools':

## Tools:

- Already has the first four: Hx, PE, Labs, NIVS
- Peripheral invasive vital signs:
  - Arterial line

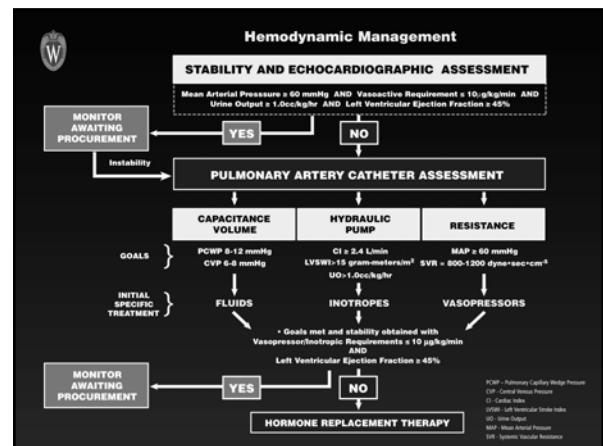
*What besides the absolute numbers on the peripheral arterial line can tip you off to the intravascular volume status?*

## PULSUS PARADOXUS



## Pulmonary Artery Monitoring

- Cardiac performance
  - C.O.
- Systemic resistance
  - SVR, PVR
- Filling pressures
  - CVP, PaOP
- **Mixed venous saturation!**
  - Delivery, consumption, extraction



## Treatment Goals

- Identify the abnormality
- Treat the underlying abnormality
- Increase O<sub>2</sub> Delivery
  - Fluids, Blood, Inotropes
- Decrease O<sub>2</sub> Utilization
  - Thermal control
  - Treat sepsis

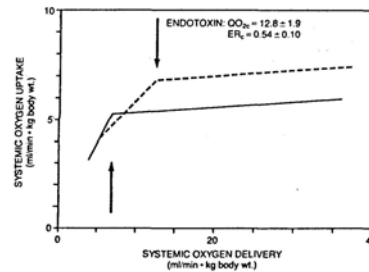
## Initial Numbers:

- C.O. / C.I. – 2.6/1.4
- PA – 18/6
- Hgb – 16gms
- SaO<sub>2</sub> – 96%
- SvO<sub>2</sub> – 42%

## Calculations

- CaO<sub>2</sub> = (Hgb x 1.39 x SaO<sub>2</sub>) x 10  
–= (16 x 1.39 x .96) x 10 = 213.5
- CvO<sub>2</sub> = (Hgb x 1.39 x SvO<sub>2</sub>) x 10  
–= (16 x 1.39 x .42) x 10 = 93.4
- DO<sub>2</sub> = C.O. X CaO<sub>2</sub> = 2.6 x 213.5 = **555.1**
- VO<sub>2</sub> = C.O. x C(a-v)O<sub>2</sub> = 2.6 x 120.1 = **312.26**
- O<sub>2</sub>ER = VO<sub>2</sub>/DO<sub>2</sub> = **.56**

## Supply Dependence vs. Independence



## Comments

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## Interventions over next 36 hours:

- Fluid: Total 22 liters crystalloid, 2 u PRBCs (started making urine in 4 hours...)
- Insulin gtt
- Weaned pressors
- ECHO (@ 16 hours) EF – 55%
- APRV (recruitment...)
- Bronchoscopy
- T4, Steroids, Narcan
- \*\*NO HCO<sub>3</sub>\*\*
- TIME...

### Repeat Numbers:

- C.O. / C.I. – 6.2/3.35
- PA – 36/12
- Hgb – 11.5gms
- SaO2 – 100%
- SvO2 – 62%

### Repeat Calculations

- $CaO_2 = (Hgb \times 1.39 \times SaO_2) \times 10$   
--  $(11.5 \times 1.39 \times 1.0) \times 10 = 161.24$
- $CvO_2 = (Hgb \times 1.39 \times SvO_2) \times 10$   
--  $(11.5 \times 1.39 \times .62) \times 10 = 99.1$
- $DO_2 = C.O. \times CaO_2 = 6.2 \times 161.24 = \mathbf{999.7}$
- $VO_2 = C.O. \times C(a-v)O_2 = 6.2 \times 62.14 = \mathbf{385.27}$
- $O_2ER = VO_2/DO_2 = \mathbf{.39}$

### Comparison

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|-----------------------|------------------------|
| • PA - 19/6           | • PA - 36/12           |
| • CO/CI – 2.6/1.4     | • CO/CI – 6.2/3.35     |
| • Hgb – 16            | • Hgb – 11.5           |
| • SaO2 – 96%          | • SaO2 – 100%          |
| • SvO2 – 42%          | • SvO2 – 62%           |
| • <b>CaO2 – 213.5</b> | • <b>CaO2 – 161.24</b> |
| • CvO2 – 93.4         | • CvO2 – 99.10         |
| • DO2 – 555.1         | • DO2 – 999.7          |
| • VO2 – 312.26        | • VO2 – 385.27         |
| • <b>O2ER - .56</b>   | • <b>O2ER - .39</b>    |

### Outcome

- En bloc heart/lung retrieval
- Bilateral Kidney retrieval (Cr 1.1 at time of OR)
- Liver retrieval
- Patient found to have undiagnosed DM; pancreas ruled out
- **6 organ donor!**

