

TBI - Neurocritical care and medical management



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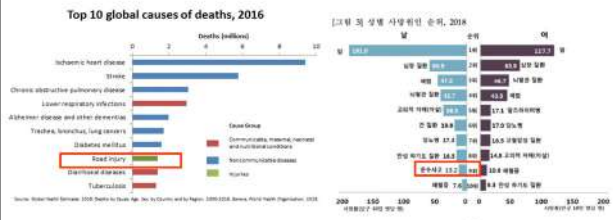
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Epidemiology of TBI



Epidemiology of TBI

- Trauma is the leading cause of death in young ages
- Traumatic brain injury (TBI)
 - 1.6 million TBIs each year
 - over 50,000 deaths per year in the United States
 - overall mortality rates of 20–30% and associated with disability
 - The economic impact is over \$80 billion in the US alone.
 - in high-income countries: the number of elderly people with TBI is increasing, mainly due to falls
 - low-middle income countries: the burden of TBI from road traffic incidents is increasing.

TBI in Korea

- A Multicenter Analysis Using Korean Neuro-Trauma Data Bank System 2010–2014 (KNTDB Investigators)

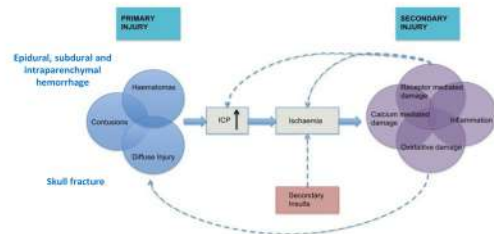
Table 2. Incidence of traumatic brain injury according to age distribution and sex. J Korean Neurosurg Soc 62 (2): 243-255, 2019.

Age	Men			Women		
	DS-KNSG	Pts.	Incidence (%)	DS-KNSG	Pts.	Incidence (%)
0-69	958891	167	0.017	1054323	84	0.008
70-74	795151	356	0.02	1000590	91	0.009
75-79	518844	133	0.026	780302	91	0.012
80-84	227366	64	0.027	408811	54	0.021
≥85	128569	20	0.016	370868	42	0.011
Total	2605721	540	0.02	3654876	364	0.01

Pts.: patients in this study (n=406, DS-KNSG); Demographic statistics of the Korea National Statistical Office in March 2014

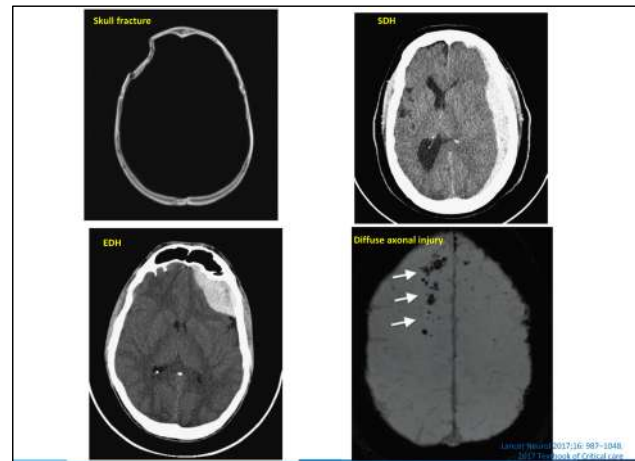
Characteristics	Non-survivors (n=140)	Survivors (n=844)	Total patients (n=984)	Mortality (%)	p-value
Cause					0.001
Fall	15 (12.5)	383 (45.3)	398	3.77	
Traffic accident	29 (20.7)	230 (27.4)	259	11.65	
Assault	2 (1.4)	13 (1.5)	15	13.33	
Others	3 (2.1)	39 (4.6)	42	5.17	
Unknown	7 (5.0)	80 (9.5)	87	8.05	
Unstable	2 (1.4)	95 (11.2)	97	2.06	
Diagnosis					0.079
A-EDH	4 (2.9)	35 (4.1)	39	6.78	
A-SDH	17 (12.1)	415 (49.1)	432	8.19	
T-SAH	9 (6.4)	120 (14.3)	129	6.52	
Contained ICH	3 (2.1)	102 (12.1)	105	3.75	
DAI	0	3 (0.4)	3	0	
Others	3 (2.1)	162 (19.1)	165	1.82	

Traumatic brain injury



Subdural hematoma in 67% patients with cerebral contusion.
Coma in 20-25% patients in subdural hematoma.

Front Neurol. 2014; 5: 121.



Lancet Neurol 2017;16: 983-1048.
2017 Textbook of Critical Care

Pathophysiology of TBI

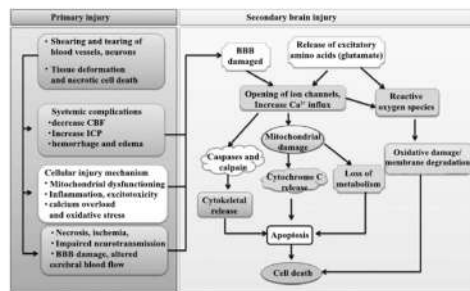


Fig. (1). Primary and Secondary events during Traumatic brain injury (TBI).

Curr Neuropharmacol. 2019 Jul; 17(7): 614-629.

Severity and Outcome

- Classification of clinical severity in TBI
 - Mild TBI: GCS 13-15 (~80%) are with
 - Moderate TBI: GCS 9-12 (~10%)
 - Severe TBI: GCS 3-8 (~10%)
- Moderate to severe TBI patients: ~70% patients have disability and death
- Computed Tomographic Classification of TBI

CATEGORY	DEFINITION	UNFAVORABLE OUTCOME* (%)	FAVORABLE OUTCOME† (%)
Diffuse injury I	No visible structural pathology	38	62
Diffuse injury II	Cisterns present, with negative shift 0 to 5 mm, no high-density lesion >25 mL	85	15
Diffuse injury III (focal)	Cisterns compressed or absent, with negative shift 0 to 5 mm, no high-density lesion >25 mL	64	36
Diffuse injury IV (MRT)	Midline shift >5 mm, no high-density lesion >25 mL	34	66
Uncontaminated mass lesion	Any lesion surgically resected	77	23
Noncontaminated mass lesion	High-density lesion >25 mL, not surgically resected	89	11

Data from Merkley LT, Merkley DB, Chaudhry MM, Gatt M. A new classification of head injury based on computed tomography. J Neurosurg. 1987; 65:184-192.

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Management for IICP of TBI



Guidelines for the Management of Severe Traumatic Brain Injury 4th Edition

Treatments

- Decompressive Craniectomy
- Prophylactic Hypothermia
- Hyperosmolar Therapy
- Cerebrospinal Fluid Drainage
- Ventilation Therapies
- Anesthetics, Analgesics, and Sedatives
- Steroids
- Nutrition
- Infection Prophylaxis
- Deep Vein Thrombosis Prophylaxis
- Seizure Prophylaxis

Monitoring

- Intracranial Pressure
- Cerebral Perfusion Pressure
- Advanced Cerebral Monitoring

Thresholds

- Blood Pressure
- Intracranial Pressure
- Cerebral Perfusion Pressure
- Advanced Cerebral Monitoring

The Emergency Medicine Trauma Handbook

Monro-Kellie Doctrine

The diagram shows a sagittal view of the skull with the brain, CSF, and blood compartments. The volumes are defined as follows:

- CSF volume = 130ml (10%)
- Blood volume = 150ml (10%)
- Brain parenchyma volume = 1400ml (90%)

Normal ICP: 7–15 mmHg for a supine adult

Elevated ICP Management Flowchart:

- Elevated ICP** leads to **Aggravated cerebral ischemia**.
- Aggravated cerebral ischemia** leads to **Reperfusion therapy (RBC)**.
- Reperfusion therapy (RBC)** leads to **Cerebral edema**.
- Cerebral edema** leads to **ICP**.
- ICP** leads to **Drain CSF Remove hematomas**.
- Drain CSF Remove hematomas** leads to **Decreased cerebral perfusion**.
- Decreased cerebral perfusion** leads to **Increase BP and maintain CPP**.
- Increase BP and maintain CPP** leads to **Aggravated cerebral ischemia**.

Additional Notes:

- Hyposmolar therapy (Mannitol and Hypertonic saline)** is used to treat **Cerebral edema**.
- ICP** is also associated with **edema**.
- CSF (hydrocephalus)** is shown as a separate compartment.

Source: Jesse B. Hall, Gregory A. Schmidt, John P. Kross: *Principles of Critical Care*, 4th Edition: www.accessmedicine.com
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J Neurosurg. 1992 Feb;76(2):207-11.

Severe TBI with herniation

N Engl J Med 2011;364:1493-502

Bifrontal decompressive craniectomy

RESCUEicp Trial: RCT of DC (unilateral or bilateral) vs. standard care in TBI patients with refractory elevated intracranial pressure (>25 mm Hg).

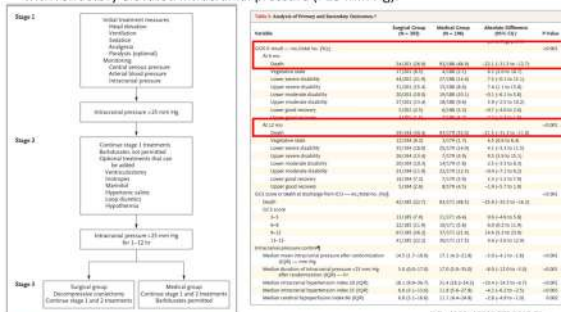


Figure 1: Stages of Therapeutic Management

Decompressive craniectomy in patients with refractory intracranial hypertension after TBI resulted in lower mortality, higher rates of vegetative state, and lower severe disability. But, rates of moderate disability and good recovery were similar in two groups.

Bifrontal decompressive craniectomy

- Bifrontal DC is not recommended to improve outcomes in severe TBI patients with diffuse injury (without mass lesions), and with ICP elevation (ICP > 20mmHg).
- The treatment of DC target goal ICP ≤ 20 mm Hg is wrong goal.

- **Monitoring for IICP control**
 - Cerebral perfusion pressure (CPP): pressure gradient across the cerebral vascular bed, between blood inflow and outflow (CPP = MAP - ICP)
 - Cerebral autoregulation: maintenance of cerebral blood flow (CBF) over a wide range of CPPs : Pressure reactivity index (Prx) and RAP index
 - Brain tissue oxygenation

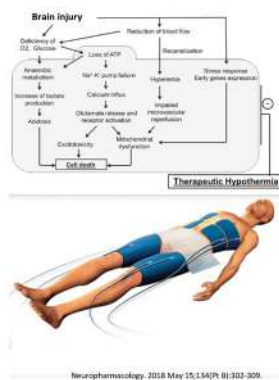
TABLE 1. Values for proposed sustainability measures

Parameter	Monitor	Target	Comment	BDCA
Intracranial pressure	Extracranial dual-channel Doppler ultrasound	Continuous CBF velocities, CVP	Calculate CPP and P _{ti}	Approved
Brain oxygen	Local probe Jugular venous lactate Arterial lactate	Cerebral tissue hypoxia Detect global oxygen consumption Cerebral venous oxygenation		Under review
Central line flow	Ultrasound	Flow		Approved
ECG	Continuous ECG	ECG showing no arrhythmia activity	Non-invasive, portable and easy to use Provides qualitative information, ECG-GD may still miss quantitative information	Approved
Mechanical	Respiratory apparatus modification	Alarming, discomfort	Use CPAP to maintain a positive airway	Under review

Journal of Stroke 2013;15(2):99-108

Targeted temperature management (Hypothermia)

- **Mechanism of TTM for treatment**
- **Reduction in cerebral metabolism (CMRO2)** by approximately 6% per 1°C: Less oxygen and glucose consumption
- **Promotion of cerebral vasoconstriction:** Decreased ICP and brain edema
- **Protection of neuro-vascular injury:** Decreased ischemic cascade, especially inflammation response, decreased vascular permeability



Neuropharmacology, 2018 May 15;114(Pt B):303-309

Targeted temperature management (Hypothermia)

Very early hypothermia induction in patients with severe brain injury (the National Acute Brain Injury Study: Hypothermia II): a randomised trial

- RCT of hypothermia (33°C) vs. normothermia within 2.5 hours after severe TBI and Maintained for 48 h

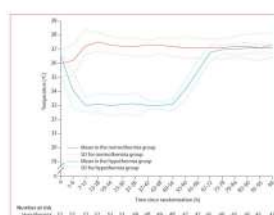


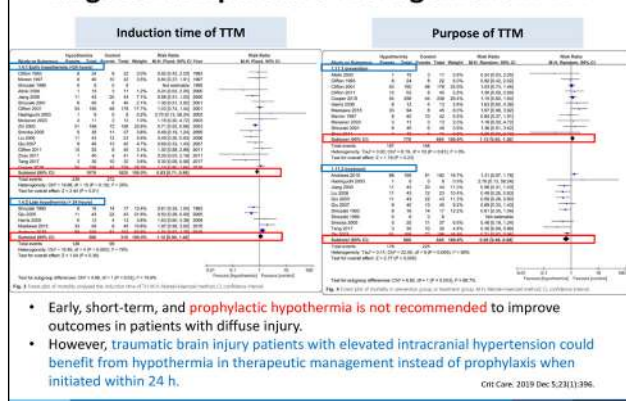
Figure 2. Temperature analysis during the first 48 h after randomization.

This study did not show the utility of hypothermia as a primary neuroprotective strategy in patients with severe traumatic brain injury.

	Floor outcome			Dial	
	n (%)	RR (95% CI)	P value	n (%)	RR (95% CI)
Primary analysis					
All patients (n=27)	56 (33%)			29 (21%)	
Hydroxychloroquine (n=22)	31 (60%)	1.66 (0.79-3.15)	0.02	12 (22%)	3.30 (1.68-6.89)
Nonhydroxychloroquine (n=5)	25 (50%)			4 (80%)	
Subgroup analysis					
First floor-leaky (n=63)	42 (63%)			13 (20%)	
Hydroxychloroquine (n=37)	28 (76%)	1.44 (0.95-2.17)	0.09	10 (27%)	2.68 (0.87-9.57)
Nonhydroxychloroquine (n=26)	14 (54%)			3 (12%)	
Secondly leaked (n=32)	14 (43%)			7 (22%)	
Hydroxychloroquine (n=28)	5 (17%)	0.44 (0.22-0.88)	0.02	2 (7%)	0.35 (0.08-1.55)
Nonhydroxychloroquine (n=4)	9 (90%)			5 (50%)	

Table 2: Outcome and mortality rates

Targeted temperature management in TBI



- Early, short-term, and **prophylactic hypothermia is not recommended** to improve outcomes in patients with diffuse injury.
 - However, **traumatic brain injury patients with elevated intracranial hypertension could benefit from hypothermia in therapeutic management instead of prophylaxis when initiated within 24 h.**
- Cell Cases, 2019 Dec 5;2(11):326

Hyperosmolar therapy

- **Osmotic agents: control brain edema and IICP**
- Pulls free water across the semipermeable membrane of the blood-brain barrier (BBB).
- Osmotic agent: mostly stays in serum and raises serum osmolality compared to the osmolality in brain.
- **Mannitol (peripheral line and central line)**
- Osmotic diuretics: sugar or sugar alcohol
- Duration: 6-8 hours
- Action time: 15 min after injection
- Osmotic diuresis and AKI
- **Hypertonic saline (central line)**
- Generally comes in 3%, 7%, and 23.4%
- Number of osmoles similar: 1,000 mL 0.9% = 250 mL 3% = 30 mL 23.4%
- May be given as a bolus (23.4% or 11.7% in Korea)
- Not an osmotic diuretic (mannitol)

Mannitol & Hypertonic saline

Sodium Chloride Concentration (%)	Osmolarity (mOsm/L)	Sodium Concentration (mEq/L)
0.9	308	154
1.7	382	291
3.0	1026	513
7.5	2566	1283
10.0	3424	1712
23.4	8008	4004

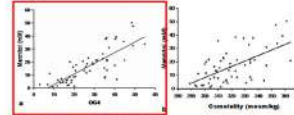
For comparison, the osmolarity of 20% mannitol is 1098 mOsm/L.



- Mannitol dose: 0.5g/Kg – 1.5g/Kg (1g/Kg)
 - <0.5g/Kg dose: less effect of controlling ICP (20%)
- In Korea : 11.7% NaCl: 40mEq/20cc - 60cc IV shooting [NaCl4IP]

Forsyth LL, et al. Pharmacotherapy. 2008 Apr;28:469-84

Monitoring and Complications



- Monitoring Osmolar gap (OG) during mannitolization: estimating mannitol concentration
 - Actual serum osmolality – Calculated serum osmolality (<55 mOsm)
 - Calculated serum osmolality: 2Na + BUN/2.8 + glucose/18
 - Not stopping based on serum osmolality

Table 3. Avoiding Adverse Effects of Osmotic Agents

Complication	Mannitol	Hypertonic Saline
Renal Failure	Avoid continuous infusion, repeat high dosing	Avoid prolonged hyponatremia >160 mEq/L
Rebound	Allow clearance prior to repeat dosing	Allow clearance prior to repeat dosing
Metabolic Acidosis	n/a	Reduce chloride in admixture
Hypokalemia	n/a	Add potassium to fluids
Hypotension	Concurrent volume resuscitation	n/a

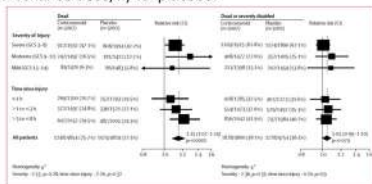
Garcia-Morales EJ, et al. Crit Care Med. 2004;32(4):886-891.
Hosain MS, et al. J Intensive Care Med. 2013;28(1):3-11

Steroid in TBI

Final results of MRC CRASH, a randomised placebo-controlled trial of intravenous corticosteroid in adults with head injury—outcomes at 6 months

Lancet 2005; 365: 1067-59

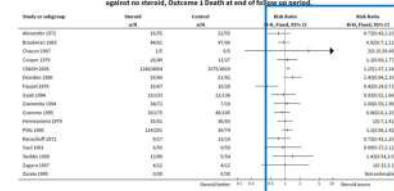
- Randomly allocated 10 008 adults with head injury and a Glasgow Coma Scale score of 14 or less within 8 h of injury
- 48-h infusion of corticosteroid (methylprednisolone, 2g loading over 1 and 0.4g maintenance dose/h) vs. placebo.



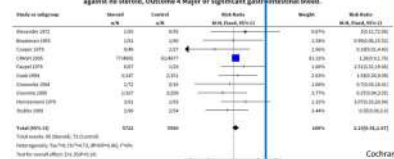
Steroids increased mortality and poor outcome after TBI.

Steroid in TBI

Analysis 1.4. Comparison 1 Any steroid administered in any dose against no steroid. Outcome 1 Death at end of follow-up (all-cause).



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- The use of steroids is not recommended for improving outcome or reducing ICP.
- In severe TBI patients high dose methylprednisolone was associated with increased mortality and is contraindicated.

Cochrane Database Syst Rev. 2005 Jun 25;(1):CD001096.

Sedation and Analgesic

- Analgesics, and sedatives: prophylaxis or control of elevated ICP
- Proper sedation
 - Light and reversible sedation is recommended to allow repeated neurological evaluation.
 - Minimizing hypotension and decreased cardiac output which may lead to hypoxia and low CPP
- Sedative drugs
 - Dexmedetomidine: Selective α_2 receptor agonist (light sedation and pain control), Potentially significant hypotension and bradycardia or hypertension, 0.3–1.5 mcg/kg/h
 - Remifentanyl: ultra-short acting opioid, prompt reversal of analgesia and sedation, chest wall rigidity with higher dose, 0.03-0.25 mcg/kg/min
 - Midazolam and propofol: deep sedation, side effect and context sensitive half-life
 - High-dose barbiturate is recommended to control refractory elevated ICP condition.

	Propofol	Midazolam	Lorazepam	Fentanyl	Remifentanyl
Rapid onset	+++	+++	+	+++	+++
Fast recovery	+++	++	+	++	+++
Easily titrated	+++	++	+	++	+++
ICP reduction	++	++	+	++	++
CBP reduction	++	++	+	++	++
CMRO ₂ reduction	++	++	+	++	++
MAP	++	++	+	++	++

Textbook of Neurointensive Care.

Target blood pressure in TBI

- Maintaining SBP at ≥ 100 mm Hg for patients 50 to 69 years old or at ≥ 110 mm Hg or above for patients 15 to 49 or over 70 years old may be considered to decrease mortality and improve outcomes.
- Target MAP ≥ 65 mmHg

Optimal SBP and mortality in patients with severe TBI.

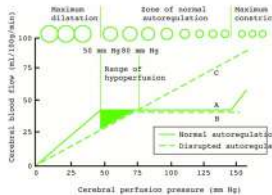
Age group	Optimal SBP	Mortality	AOR	95% CI	p-Value
15–49 years (n = 10284)	<110mm Hg	21%	1.98	1.65–2.39	<0.0001
50–69 years (n = 3093)	<100mm Hg	29%	2.20	1.46–3.31	0.0002
50–69 years (n = 3093)	<110mm Hg	20%	1.60	1.13–2.28	0.009
≥ 70 years (n = 2356)	<110mm Hg	38%	1.92	1.35–2.74	0.0003

Adjusted odds ratios (AOR): Optimal SBP is compared to SBP reference groups, adjusting for age, gender, ISS ≥ 16 , and GCS ≤ 8 ; reference groups for age 15–49 (≥ 110 mmHg), for age 50–69 (≥ 100 mmHg), for age ≥ 70 (≥ 110 mmHg).

Injury. 2012 Nov;43(11):1893–7.

Cerebral perfusion pressure (CPP) in TBI

- CPP is the blood pressure metric to which brain autoregulatory mechanisms respond.



CPP (Cerebral perfusion pressure) = MAP (mean arterial pressure) - ICP (intracranial pressure)

J Neurol Neurosurg Psychiatry 2002;73(Suppl 1):i23-i27

- Target CPP value for survival and favorable outcomes: 60 and 70 mm Hg (at least above 50 mmHg).
- Avoiding aggressive attempts to maintain CPP above 70 mm Hg with fluids and pressors related to respiratory failure in older patients.

Medical managements in TBI

Arterial partial pressure of oxygen (PaO2)

- Arterial partial pressure of oxygen (PaO2) level between 60 and 100 mmHg during interventions for life-threatening hemorrhage or emergency neurosurgery.
- SpO2 < 90% (corresponding near to a PaO2 of 60 mmHg) and hyperoxia (defined as a PaO2 > 200 mmHg) are associated with poor outcomes in TBI.
- Avoid hypoxia (PaO2 < 60 mmHg) and hyperoxia (PaO2 > 200 mmHg)

Table 3. Effect of Hypoxia Compared With Normoxia on Outcome Measures*

	OR (95% CI)	P Value
<100 vs 100-200 mm Hg		
Mortality	2.20 (1.33-3.63)	.002 ^b
Discharge GCS score 3-8	1.66 (1.01-2.73)	.04 ^b
HLOS	0.38 (0.25-0.58)	<.001 ^a
ICULOS	0.40 (0.25-0.66)	<.001 ^a

Table 4. Effect of Hyperoxia Compared With Normoxia on Outcome Measures*

	OR (95% CI)	P Value
>200 vs 100-200 mm Hg		
Mortality	1.50 (1.15-1.97)	.002 ^b
Discharge GCS score 3-8	1.52 (1.18-1.96)	.002 ^b
HLOS	0.75 (0.60-0.94)	.01 ^b
ICULOS	0.92 (0.74-1.15)	.46

Arch Surg. 2012;147(11):1042-1046.

Nutrition

- Feeding patients to attain basal caloric replacement at least by the fifth day and at most by the seventh day post-injury is recommended to decrease mortality.
- EN supports the functional integrity of the gut
 - Food in gut: activated pathogenic microorganism in the gut and maintaining tight junctions between the intraepithelial cells stimulating blood flow

Early EN start and EN > PN

Early EN vs delayed EN in mortality

EN vs PN in infection

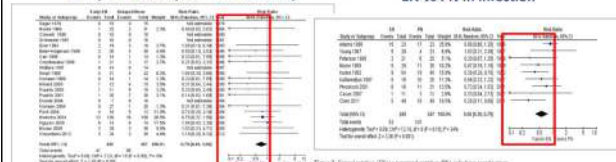


Figure 4. Early enteral nutrition (EN) vs delayed EN mortality.

Figure 5. Enteral nutrition (EN) vs parenteral nutrition (PN) infection complications.

2016 SCCM & ASPEN guidelines

Transfusion

- There are no current recommendations regarding appropriate hemoglobin or hematocrit concentrations in patients with severe TBI.
- The Transfusion Requirements in Critical Care (TRICC) study
 - trigger for transfusion Hb > 10 g/dl group and the trigger for transfusion Hb > 7 g/dl group
 - Mortality at 30 days and 60 days

Table 2. Outcomes*

Outcome Measure	Restrictive Transfusion Strategy (Hb < 7)	Liberal Transfusion Strategy (Hb < 10)	Absolute Difference Between Groups	95% Confidence Interval	P Value
Death — no. (%)	79 (38.7)	86 (32.3)	4.7	-8.6 to 18.2	0.11
30-day mortality	66 (22.7)	71 (26.7)	3.7	-2.1 to 9.5	0.22
60-day mortality	66 (22.7)	66 (24.2)	2.2	-2.8 to 7.2	0.39
Transfusion	66 (22.7)	112 (39.1)	4.5	-0.1 to 11.9	0.05
Unfractionated heparin	0.2 (0.0)	0.2 (0.0)	0.0	-0.1 to 0.1	0.10
Adjusted scoring	0.7 (2.7)	1.1 (2.7)	0.3	0.0 to 0.3	0.03
Change from baseline scoring	0.7 (2.7)	0.7 (2.7)	0.0	0.0 to 0.0	0.98
No. of organ failure — no. (%)					
1	100 (24.9)	82 (19.3)			
2	210 (22.0)	149 (18.3)			
3	109 (26.1)	108 (24.0)			
4	14 (12.2)	40 (19.9)			
5	22 (3.1)	19 (4.7)			
Length of stay — days	11.8 (3.8)	11.1 (3.2)	0.6	-0.6 to 2.1	0.33
ICU LOS	11.8 (3.8)	11.1 (3.2)	0.6	-0.6 to 2.1	0.33
Hospital	14.0 (3.8)	13.2 (3.4)	0.7	-0.9 to 2.3	0.38

N Engl J Med. 1999 Feb 11;340(8):409-17.

- There is no benefit of a liberal transfusion strategy (goal, 10 g/dL) compared to a restrictive strategy (goal, 7 g/dL) could be demonstrated.

- Hb threshold of 7 g/dL is recommended value of Hb in TBI polytrauma patients.

Prophylaxis

- Infection
 - Prophylactic antibiotics is not recommended for preventing infection.
 - Antimicrobial-impregnated catheters may be considered to prevent catheter-related infections during EVD.
 - Early tracheostomy (<10 days) is recommended to reduce mechanical ventilation in severe TBI.
- Deep vein thrombosis (DVT)
 - 54% incidence of deep venous thrombosis without prophylactic treatment and a 25% incidence in patients with isolated TBI treated with sequential compression devices.
 - Low molecular weight heparin (LMWH) or low-dose unfractionated heparin may be used in combination with mechanical prophylaxis (after 48-72 h).
 - Consider stocking and ICP in patients with increased risk for expansion of intracranial hemorrhage.

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Prophylaxis

- Seizure
 - clinical post traumatic seizure (PTS): ~ 12%,
 - subclinical seizures: 20% to 25% in EEG
 - early PTS occur within 7 days of injury and late PTS occur after 7 days following injury
 - Early PTS have not been associated with worse outcomes
 - Early PTS: AED for a few weeks/ late PTS: AED for several years
- Prophylactic use of AED
 - Prophylactic use of phenytoin or valproate is not recommended for preventing late PTS.
 - There is insufficient evidence to recommend levetiracetam compared with phenytoin regarding efficacy in preventing early post-traumatic seizures and toxicity.

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Neuropharmacologic therapies for recovery

- Amantadine: act as an N-methyl-D-aspartate antagonist and indirect dopamine agonist.
- Amantadine for TBI: Diffuse axonal injury after TBI → Damage and death of neurons → Associated with a reduction in dopamine release → amantadine increase dopamine
- RCT of amantadine therapy (100 mg bid for 14 days - 150 mg bid for 7 days – 200mg bid for 7 days vs. placebo for 4 weeks in a vegetative or minimally conscious state 4 to 16 weeks after traumatic brain injury

N Engl J Med 2012;366:819-26.

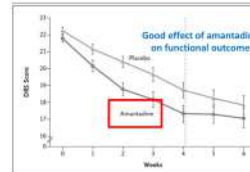


Figure 1. Mean Disability Rating Scale (DRS) Scores during the 4-Week Assessment Period, According to Study Group.

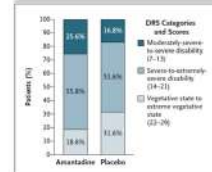


Figure 2. Post hoc Analysis of the Distribution of DRS Scores by Outcome Category.

Neuropharmacologic therapies for recovery

The effects of amantadine on traumatic brain injury outcome: a double-blind, randomized, controlled, clinical trial

BRAIN INJURY 2018, VOL. 32, NO. 8, 1050-1055.

- TBI patients who scored nine or lower on the Glasgow Coma Scale (GCS)
- The protocol included administration of the drug (placebo or amantadine) for 6 weeks → **no beneficial effect on outcome**

Table 1. The results of this study.

	Amantadine (N = 115)	Placebo (N = 111)	P-value
Male sex	18 (15.6%)	18 (16.2%)	0.89
Age group (years)			
Mean (SD)	32.16 ± 13.67	40.95 ± 20.06	0.13
Age group number			
16-35 yrs	14 (12.2%)	11 (10.0%)	
36-55 yrs	42 (36.5%)	32 (28.8%)	
56-75 yrs	11 (9.6%)	9 (8.1%)	
76-95 yrs	9 (7.8%)	10 (9.0%)	
Trauma mechanism			
Motor vehicle accident	62 (53.9%)	73 (65.8%)	
Fall from height	42 (36.5%)	32 (28.8%)	
Direct trauma	5 (4.3%)	4 (3.6%)	
Unknown	3 (2.6%)	4 (3.6%)	
Mechanical ventilation at the start of study	10 (8.7%)	20 (18.0%)	0.11

Mean GCS Eye	1.52 ± 0.69	1.52 ± 0.69	0.99
Beginning day			
Third day	2.09 ± 0.76	1.84 ± 0.76	0.53
Seventh day	2.88 ± 0.96	2.44 ± 0.78	0.13
Mean GCS Verbal			
Beginning day	1.21 ± 0.41	1.14 ± 0.35	0.58
Third day	1.94 ± 1.25	1.52 ± 1.07	0.28
Seventh day	3.11 ± 1.52	2.13 ± 1.52	0.38
Mean GCS Motor			
Beginning day	8.81 ± 2.23	7.52 ± 2.68	0.46
Third day	9.79 ± 2.83	8.26 ± 3.49	0.15
Seventh day	12.33 ± 3.32	10.11 ± 4.01	0.01
DRS score	4	2.34	0.044
FOUR score	4.17	2.67	0.089
Mortality	4	5	0.9
In Hospital			
From discharge to	2	0	
6 months follow-up			
Mean hospital stay (days)	24.98 ± 16.33	21.13 ± 13.97	0.49
Mean time from trauma to start study (days)	3.21 ± 2.32	3.42 ± 2.67	0.78
After 6 months			
DRS	23.1 ± 4.22	20.3 ± 5.2	0.2
FOUR	4.09 ± 0.99	4.5 ± 0.7	0.28
GOS	4.02 ± 0.86	3.8 ± 0.53	0.34
KPS	66.40 ± 26.57	81 ± 17.91	0.25
Recovery of drug usage	2	6	0.11
Institution factors			

Conclusions

- Not recommended prophylactic DC and hypothermia after TBI
- DC and hypothermia for IICP control
- Optimal hyperosmolar therapy with monitoring
- Proper sedation for controlling ICP and pain
- Maintaining MAP and CPP for cerebral autoregulation
- Optimal transfusion (Hb < 7g/dl)
- Not recommended prophylactic AED and antibiotics