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Developing Precision Medicine with ICU Subphenotypes

Precision medicine of respiratory support in ARDS patients

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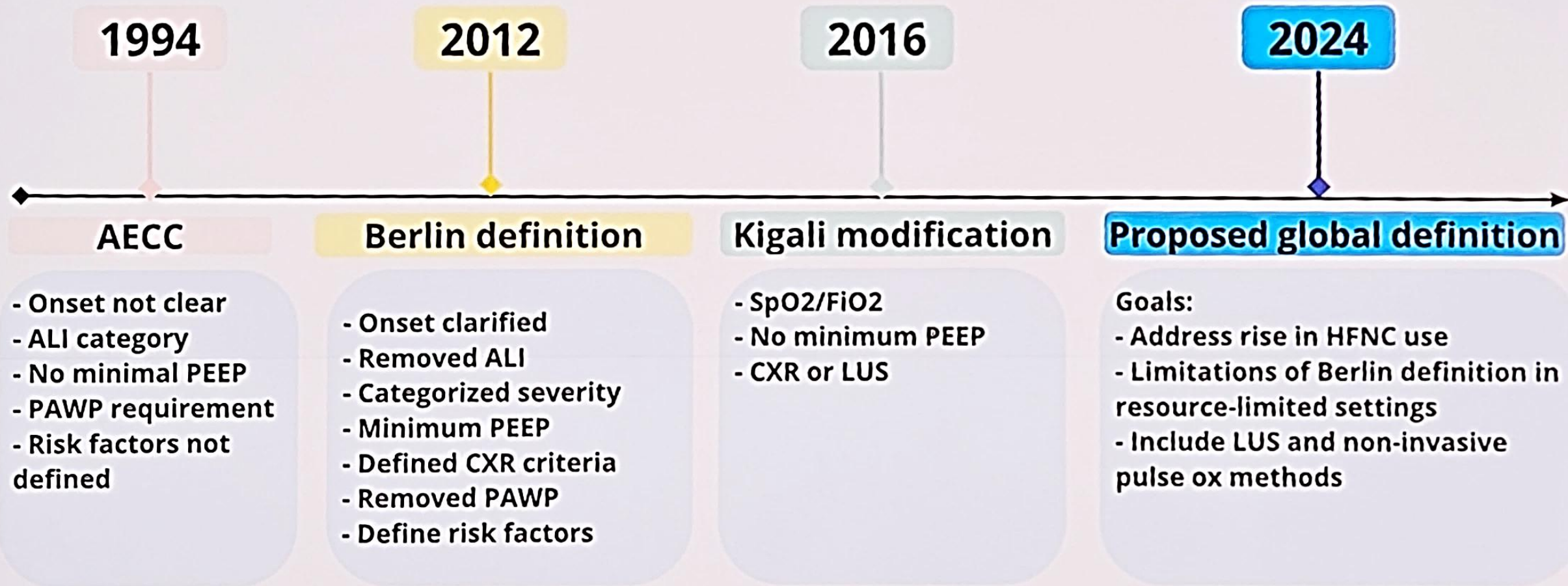
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A New Global Definition of Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome

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Ongoing challenges to define ARDS



Chest
imaging

Categories
of ARDS

Berlin criteria	Proposed definition
Bilateral opacities on CXR or CT PaO₂/FIO₂ ≤300 mm Hg on a PEEP ≥ 5 or CPAP ≥ 5 (mild) <u>Mild</u> 200 to ≤300 <u>Moderate</u> 100 to ≤200 <u>Severe</u> ≤100	Addition of bilateral B lines and/or consolidations on lung ultrasound Non-intubated ARDS → PaO₂:FIO₂ ≤300mmHg or SpO₂:FIO₂ ≤315 on HFNO with flow of >30 L/min or NIV/CPAP ≥ 5 H₂O PEEP Intubated ARDS → <u>Mild:</u> 200 < PaO₂:FIO₂ ≤ 300 mm Hg OR 235 ≤ SpO₂:FIO₂ ≤ 315 <u>Moderate:</u> 100 < PaO₂:FIO₂ ≤ 200 mm Hg OR 148 < SpO₂:FIO₂ ≤ 235 <u>Severe:</u> PaO₂:FIO₂ ≤100 mm Hg OR SpO₂:FIO₂ ≤148 Resource limited setting → SpO₂:FIO₂ ≤315

SpO₂: FiO₂ is meaningful when the SpO₂ is < 97%

Bottom line

- Definition is more sensitive and less specific
- Not formally endorsed by scientific societies
- Concern of racial bias in pulse oximetry measurements among patients with dark skin tones
- Predictive validity of various SpO₂: FiO₂ thresholds and proposed categories of ARDS?
- Formal radiographic scoring system for LUS use and increasing training of operators?



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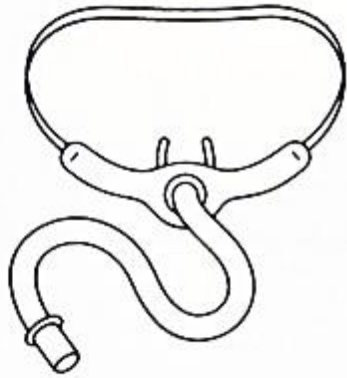
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High-Flow Nasal Oxygen vs Noninvasive Ventilation in Patients with Acute Respiratory Failure: RENOVATE RCT

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Rationale

Uncertainty remains regarding comparative effectiveness of high-flow nasal oxygen vs noninvasive ventilation



Easier to use and more comfortable



May be more effective in reducing workload on respiratory muscles

Objective

To assess whether HFNO is **noninferior** to NIV on rates of endotracheal intubation or death at 7 days in 5 patient groups with acute respiratory failure

Methods

- Multicenter, adaptive, noninferiority randomized clinical trial
- 33 hospitals in Brazil
- Frequent interim analyses that allowed for stopping of individual patient groups with acute respiratory failure based on futility, noninferiority, superiority

Acute Respiratory Failure Groups



Non-immunocompromised with hypoxemia



Immunocompromised with hypoxemia



COPD exacerbation with respiratory acidosis



Acute cardiogenic pulmonary edema



Hypoxemic COVID-19

Statistical Analysis

- Primary Outcome: Endotracheal intubation or death within 7 days
- Bayesian hierarchical model with dynamic borrowing across patient groups
- For each patient group, noninferiority was declared if the posterior probability was greater than 0.992

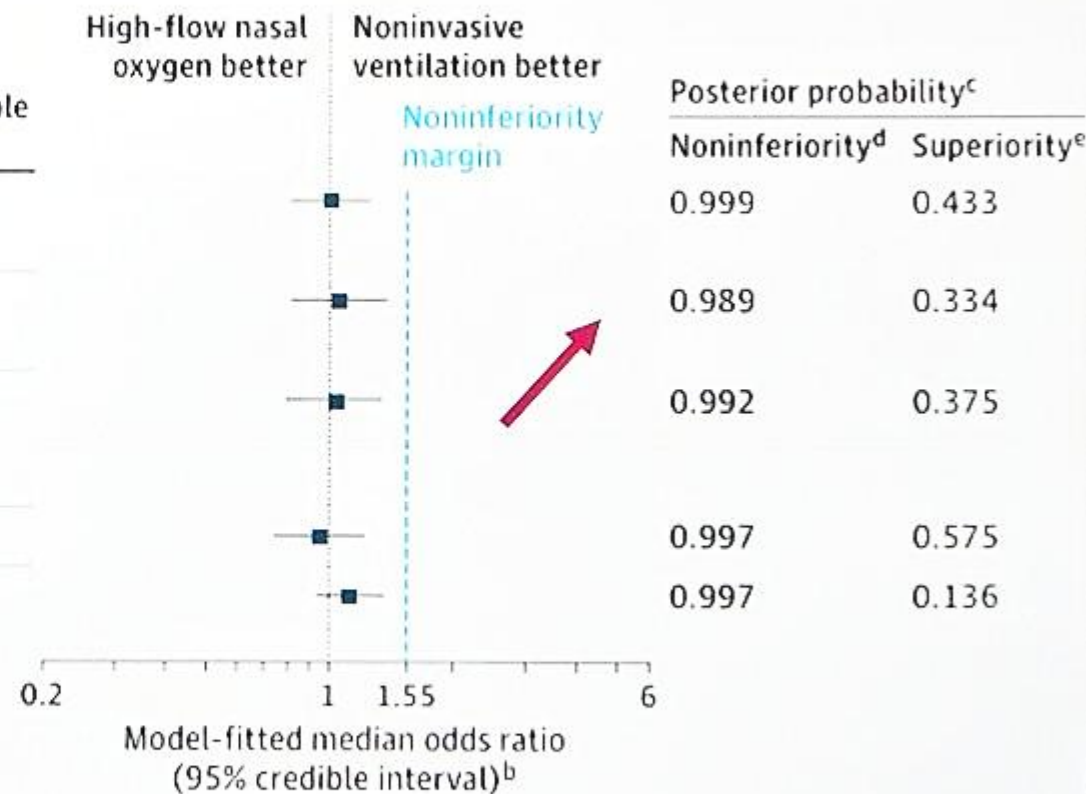
Analysis of Primary Outcome

A Analysis of the primary outcome^a

Patients with acute respiratory failure	No./total (%)		Model-fitted median odds ratio (95% credible interval) ^b
	High-flow nasal oxygen	Noninvasive ventilation	
Nonimmunocompromised with hypoxemia	81/249 (32.5)	78/236 (33.1)	1.02 (0.81-1.26)
Immunocompromised with hypoxemia	16/28 (57.1)	8/22 (36.4)	1.07 (0.81-1.39)
Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease exacerbation with respiratory acidosis	10/35 (28.6)	11/42 (26.2)	1.05 (0.79-1.36)
Acute cardiogenic pulmonary edema	14/136 (10.3)	29/136 (21.3)	0.97 (0.73-1.23)
Hypoxemic COVID-19	223/435 (51.3)	210/447 (47.0)	1.13 (0.94-1.38)

用NHF未達Noninferiority (插管機率稍高)

四個族群 NHF 達到Noninferiority



Conclusions

- High-flow nasal oxygen was noninferior to noninvasive ventilation in the following patient groups
 - Non-immunocompromised with hypoxemia
 - COPD exacerbation with respiratory acidosis
 - Acute cardiogenic pulmonary edema
 - Hypoxemic COVID-19
- High-flow nasal cannula was not found to be noninferior compared with noninvasive ventilation among immunocompromised patients with hypoxemia.



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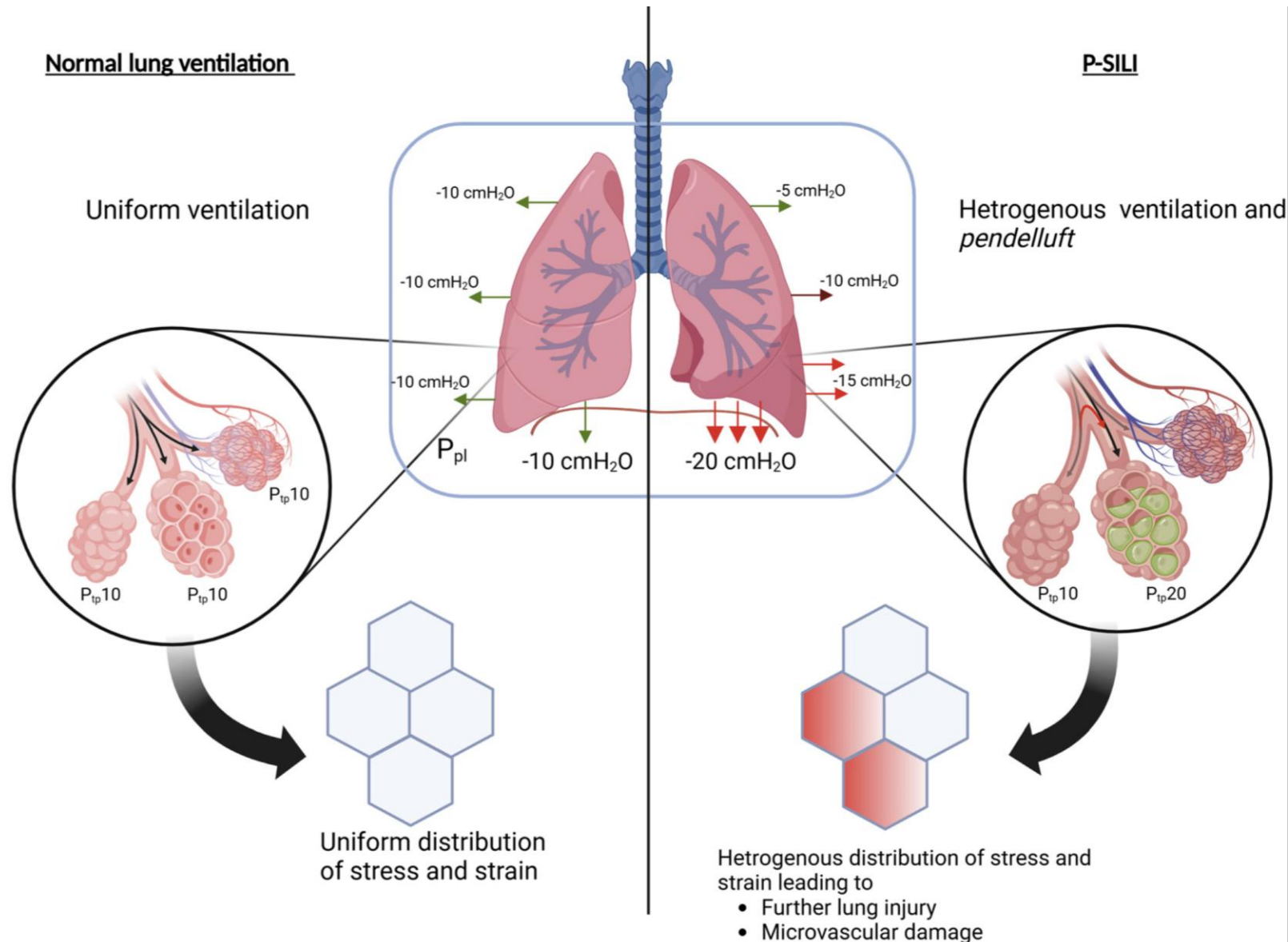
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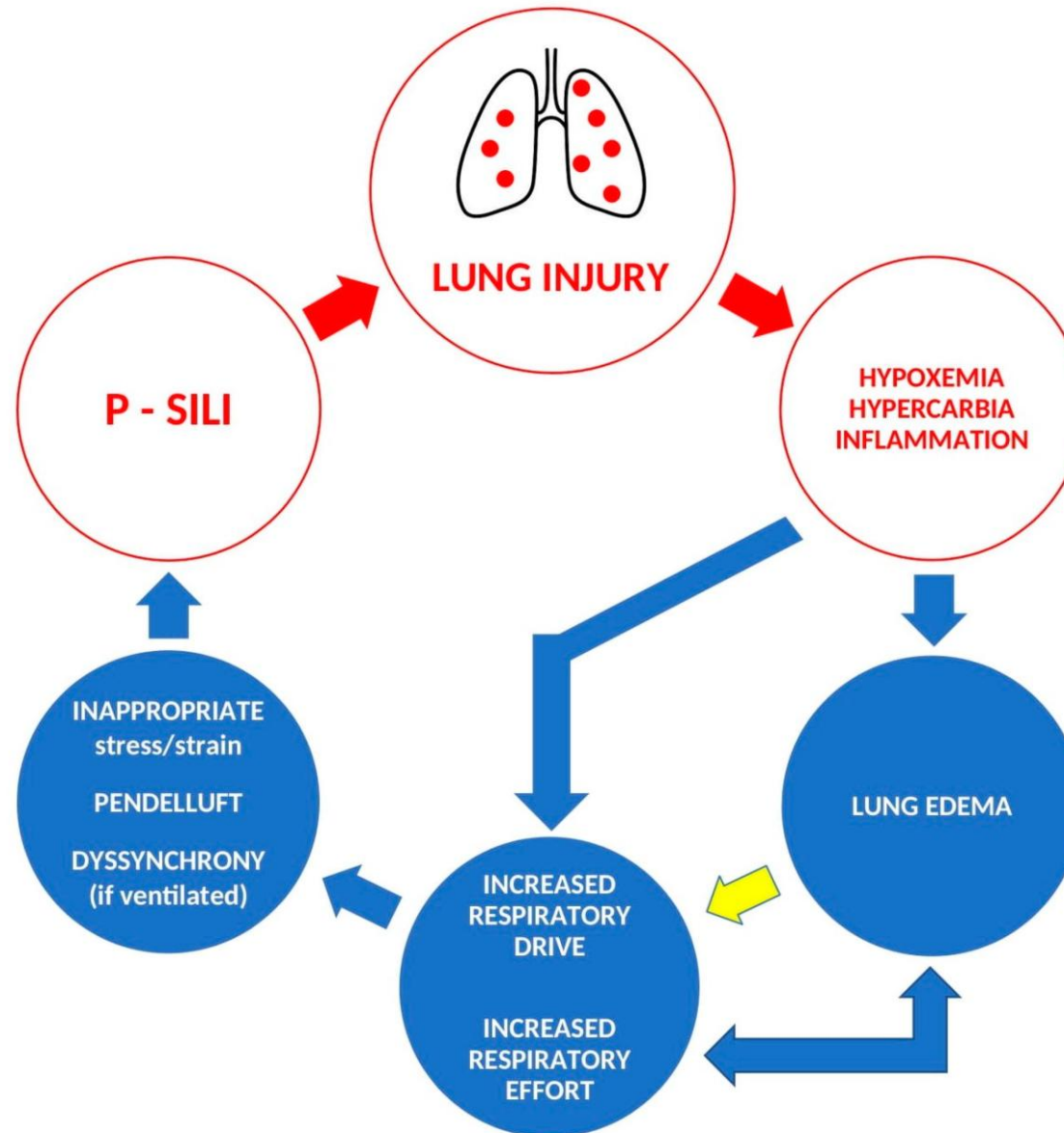
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Patient Self-Inflicted Lung Injury (P-SILI)



Patient Self-Inflicted Lung Injury



Lung protective sedation

Drug class	Inspiratory effort and tidal volume	Respiratory rate	Ventilatory response to hypercapnia and hypoxemia	Effect on diaphragm function and patient-ventilator interaction
Benzodiazepines	↓	↔ or ↑ ↓ at high doses	↓	Delay restoration of diaphragm activity
Propofol	↓	↔ or ↑ ↓ at high doses	↓	May ↑ dyssynchrony (i.e., ineffective efforts because of lower respiratory effort)
Opioids	↔ or ↑	↓	↓	May ↓ dyssynchrony (i.e., fewer ineffective efforts because of slower, deeper respiratory efforts)
Dexmedetomidine	↔	↔	↔	↓ dyssynchrony by decreasing agitation/delirium



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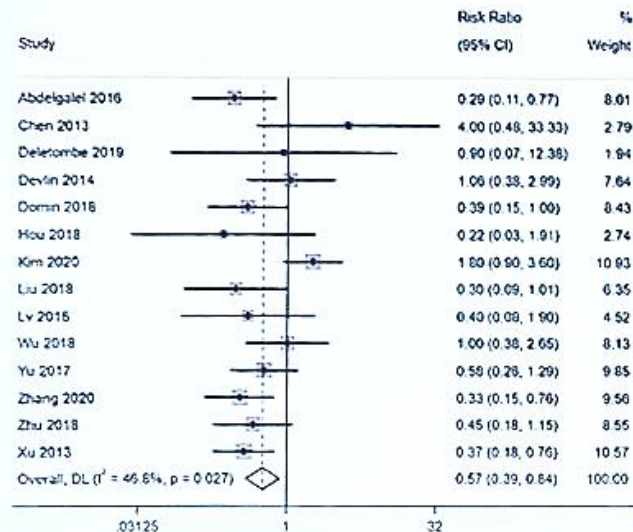
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Sedation and analgesia strategies for non-invasive mechanical ventilation: A systematic review and meta-analysis

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21 RCTs

Any sedative/analgesia
vs. none showed
lower intubation rates
on NIV.

Dexmedetomidine vs
other medications
reduced intubation

Lung Protective Sedation

INDEX trial currently underway
to evaluate dexmedetomidine
and NIV

Dr. Kim Lewis, McMaster, Canada

Administering sedative and analgesic medications during NIV can reduce the risk of tracheal intubation and delirium. Dexmedetomidine outperformed other sedative medications in terms of these clinical outcomes.

HFNC with lung protective sedation, if fail, try NIV

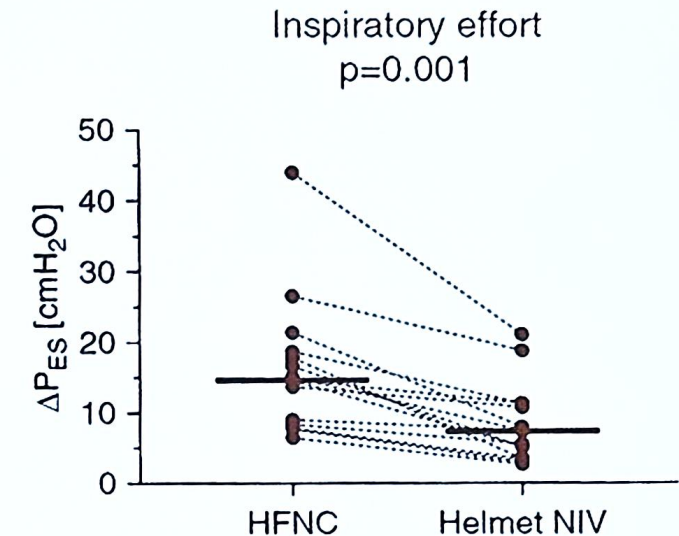
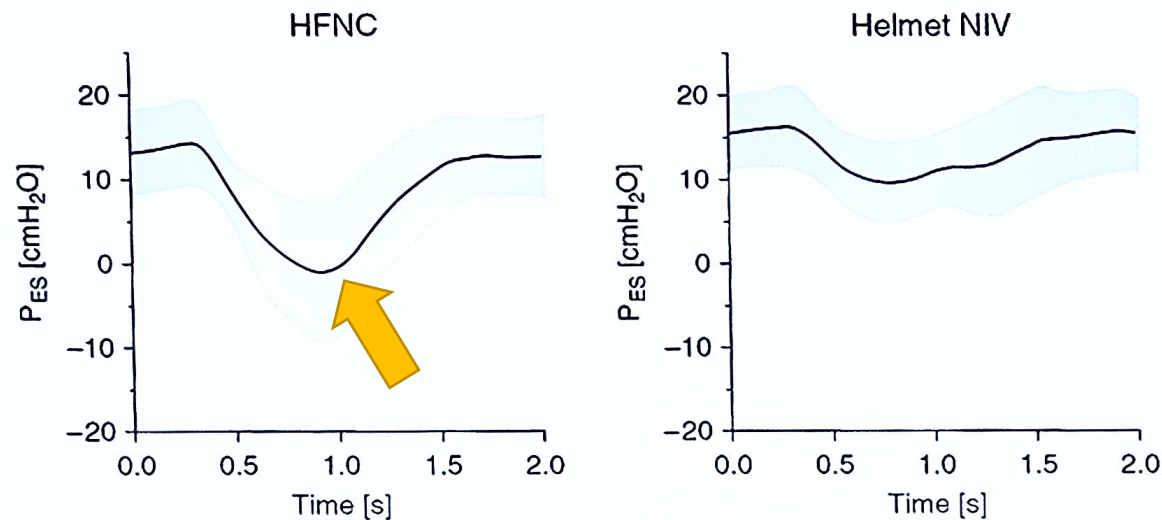
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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Physiological Comparison of High-Flow Nasal Cannula and Helmet Noninvasive Ventilation in Acute Hypoxemic Respiratory Failure

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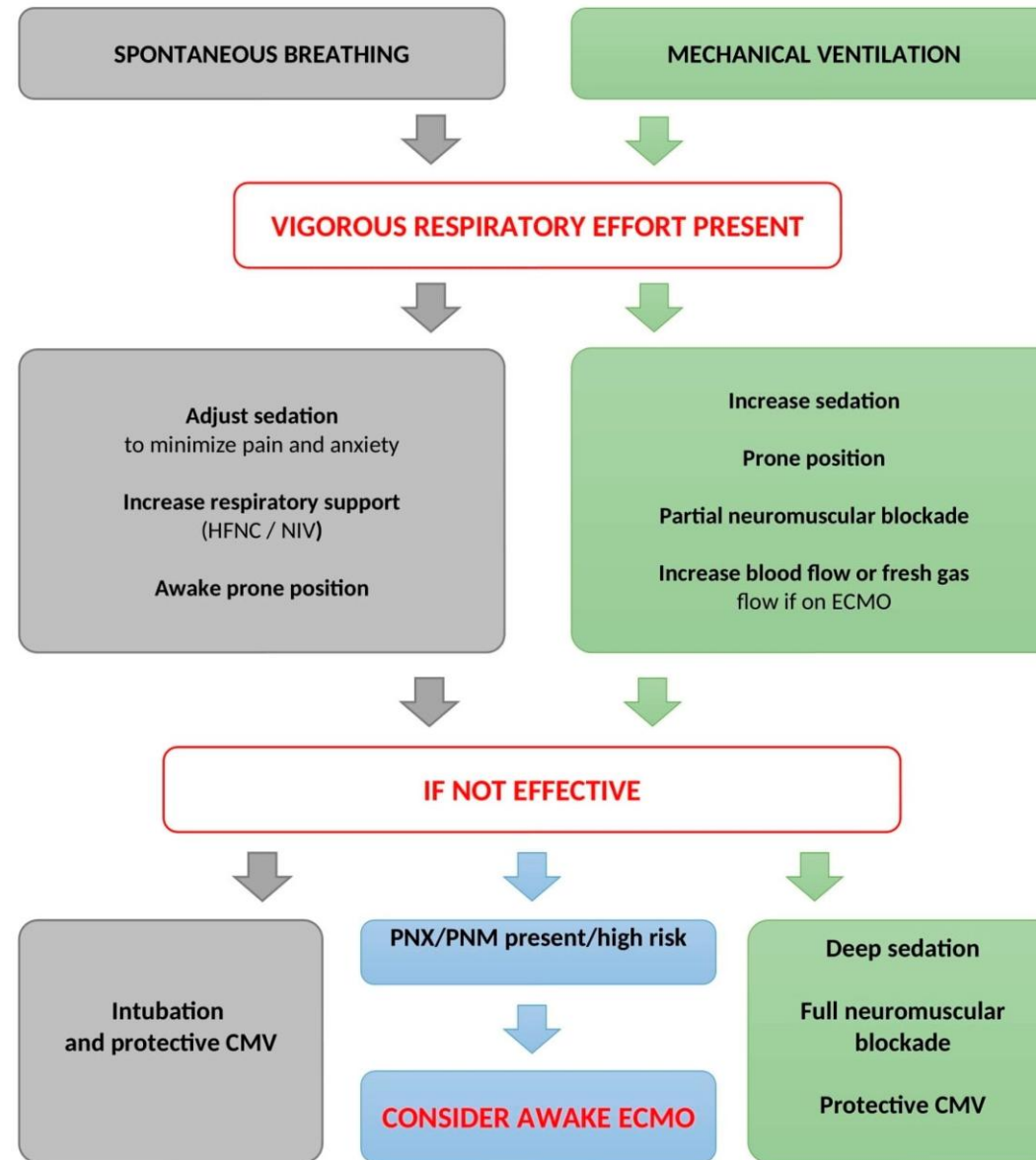
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Physiology study alternating HFNC and Helmet NIV

Helmet (more effective PEEP) yielded a reduction in negative inspiratory swings (surrogate for inspiratory effort) measured by esophageal balloon

HFNC with lung protective sedation, if fail, try NIV



HAPPEN trial

Research

JAMA | Original Investigation

Effect of High-Intensity vs Low-Intensity Noninvasive Positive Pressure Ventilation on the Need for Endotracheal Intubation in Patients With an Acute Exacerbation of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease The HAPPEN Randomized Clinical Trial

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Title adapted from Z Luo et al, *JAMA*, Sept 2024

Non invasive ventilation for COPD exacerbations

- Hypothesis:
 - High intensity non-invasive ventilation superior to low intensity ventilation to prevent intubation for hypercapnic COPD exacerbations
- Patients:
 - Chinese adults with type 2 respiratory failure due to COPD exacerbation
- Interventions:
 - Low intensity - Tidal volume 6 to 10ml/kg with max IPAP 20cm H₂O
 - High intensity - Tidal volume 10 to 15ml/kg with max IPAP 30cm H₂O
- Primary outcome - Pre-determined intubation criteria of pH <7.25, increase in PaCO₂ and clinical signs of worsening hypercapnia

Non invasive ventilation for COPD exacerbations

Table 2. Primary and Secondary Outcomes

	Noninvasive positive pressure ventilation (NPPV)		Unadjusted absolute difference (95% CI) ^a	P value
	High intensity (n = 147)	Low intensity (n = 153)		
Primary outcome ^d				
Need for endotracheal intubation during hospitalization, No. (%)	7 (4.8)	21 (13.7)	-9.0 (-15.4 to -2.5)	.004 ^e
Secondary outcomes ^d				
Endotracheal intubation during hospitalization, No. (%)	5 (3.4)	6 (3.9)	-0.5 (-4.8 to 3.7)	.81
Endotracheal intubation at 28 d, No. (%)				
Met prespecified criteria for the need for intubation	7 (4.8)	21 (13.7)	-9.0 (-15.4 to -2.5)	.008
Intubated	5 (3.4)	6 (3.9)	-0.5 (-4.8 to 3.7)	.81
Composite of endotracheal intubation or avoiding intubation, No. (%) ^f	5 (3.4)	17 (11.1)	-7.7 (-13.5 to -1.9)	.01

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Non invasive ventilation for COPD exacerbations

- High intensity ventilation prevents meeting pre-specified criteria for intubation
- But trialling low intensity ventilation first, then moving to high intensity in the 13% of patients who need it, is safe
- No difference in intubation or mortality
- Patients allocated high intensity more likely to have abdominal distension



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Individualized Treatment Effects of Oxygen Targets in Mechanically Ventilated Critically Ill Adults

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Rationale

- Randomized trials have reported similar outcomes for patients allocated to lower oxygenation compared to higher oxygenation targets
- This may be because patients have multiple characteristics that influence the effect of a lower versus higher oxygenation targets on mortality not accounted for in traditional analyses of randomized trials (i.e., heterogeneity of treatment effect)



Objective

To test the hypothesis that the effect of Spo_2 targets on mortality would differ based on individual patient characteristics

Study Population and Outcomes

Trial Characteristics	PILOT (n=2541)	ICU-ROX (n=965)
	Derivation Model	External Validation Model
Randomization	Cluster-randomized, cluster crossover	Individual patient, parallel group
Interventions and Groups	Lower Spo2 target: 90% (range 88-92%)	Lower Spo2 target: 91-96%
	Intermediate: 94% (92-96%)	Higher: 91-100%
	Higher: 98% (96-100%)	
Location	1 center in US	21 centers in Australia and New Zealand
Primary Outcome	VFD (ventilator-free days)	VFD (ventilator-free days)
Result of trial	No between-group difference in outcomes	No between-group difference in outcomes

Results

- Original trials demonstrated no significant **average** treatment effect of lower vs higher SpO₂ groups on mortality
- ITE in the ICU-ROX cohort ranged from 27.2% absolute reduction in mortality with use of **lower** SpO₂ target to 34.4% absolute risk reduction in mortality with use of **higher** target

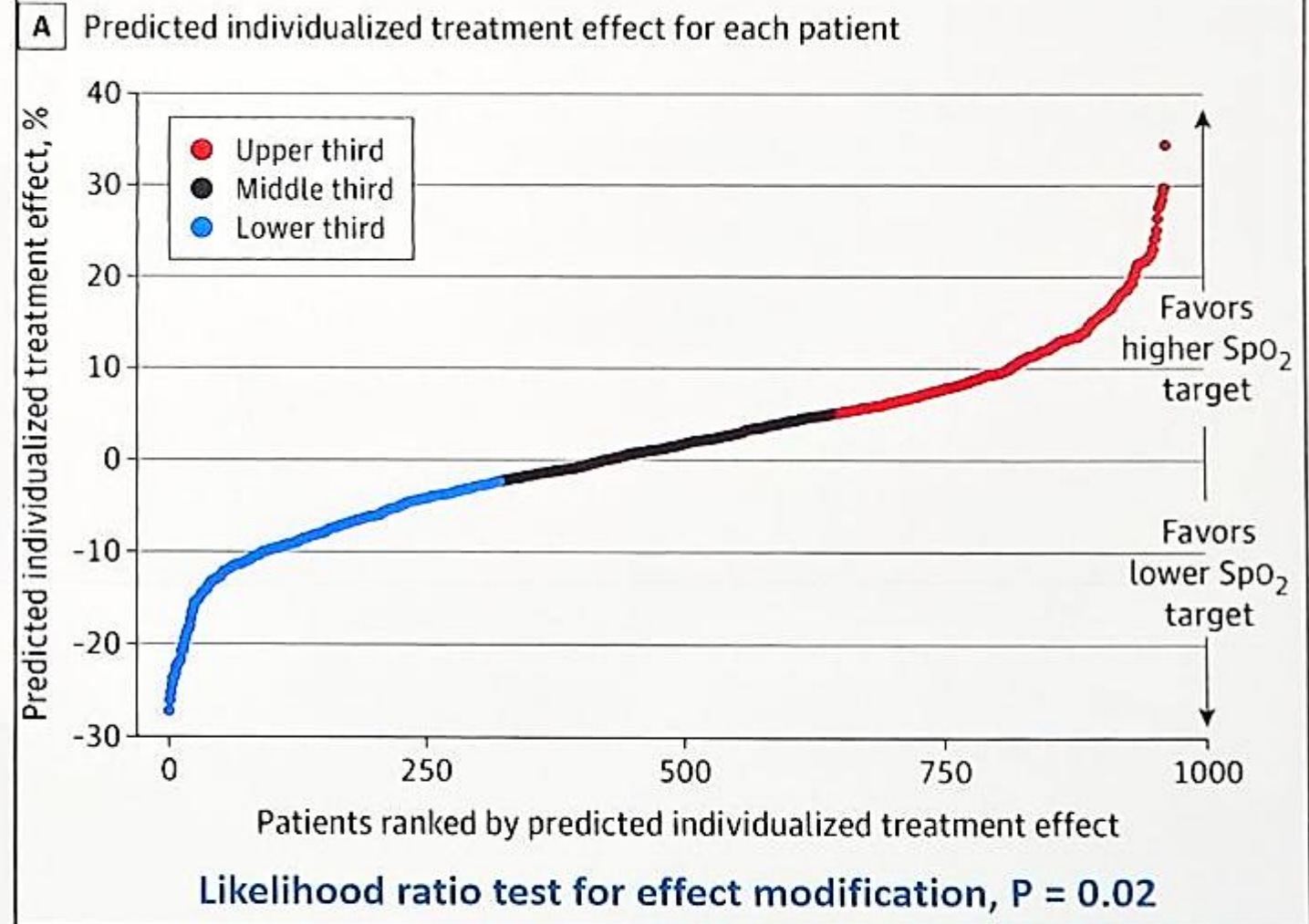


Table 2. Baseline Characteristics of Patients in the ICU-ROX Validation Cohort by Predicted Individualized Treatment Effect

Characteristic	No. (%) of participants			P value ^a
	Lower third: predicted to benefit from lower SpO ₂ target (n = 322)	Middle third: predicted to have similar outcomes with either target (n = 322)	Upper third: predicted to benefit from higher SpO ₂ target (n = 321)	
Demographics				
Age, median (IQR), y	67 (55 to 74)	58 (45 to 68)	57 (49 to 65)	<.001
Sex				
Female	89 (27.6)	128 (39.8)	140 (43.6)	<.001
Male	233 (72.4)	194 (60.2)	181 (56.4)	<.001
Source of admission to ICU				
Hospital ward	44 (13.7)	58 (18.0)	87 (27.1)	<.001
Emergency department	155 (48.1)	120 (37.3)	124 (38.6)	.01
Operating room or postanesthesia care unit	101 (31.4)	109 (33.9)	85 (26.5)	.12
Transfer from another ICU or another hospital	22 (6.8)	35 (10.9)	25 (7.8)	.16
Time from initiation of mechanical ventilation to enrollment, median (IQR), h	3.6 (1.9 to 5.9)	3.2 (1.6 to 5.7)	2.6 (1.2 to 4.3)	<.001
ICU admitting diagnosis ^b				
Cardiovascular disease	94 (29.2)	63 (19.6)	48 (15.0)	<.001
Acute nonhypoxic brain injury	90 (28.0)	86 (26.7)	41 (12.8)	<.001
Acute hypoxic brain injury	84 (26.1)	46 (14.3)	36 (11.2)	<.001
Respiratory disease	25 (7.8)	46 (14.3)	67 (20.9)	<.001
Sepsis	20 (6.2)	33 (10.2)	43 (13.4)	<.001
Baseline physiology ^c				
Heart rate, median (IQR), beats/min	80 (66 to 100)	92 (80 to 106)	102 (88 to 122)	<.001
>80	160 (49.8)	228 (71.0)	277 (86.3)	<.001

較多病人
在低血氧目標組

較多病人
在高血氧目標組

Table 3. Primary Outcome of 28-Day Mortality

Outcome	No. (%) of participants			P value
	Lower third: predicted to benefit from lower SpO ₂ target (n = 322)	Middle third: predicted to have similar outcomes with either target (n = 322)	Upper third: predicted to benefit from higher SpO ₂ target (n = 321)	
Overall	115 (35.7)	92 (28.6)	84 (26.2)	
Randomized to lower SpO ₂ group	54 (32.7)	47 (28.7)	51 (32.9)	
Randomized to higher SpO ₂ group	61 (38.9)	45 (28.5)	33 (19.9)	
Treatment effect (difference in incidence in 28-d mortality between lower vs higher SpO ₂ groups), % (95% CI)	−6.1 (−16.5 to 4.3)	0.2 (−9.6 to 10.0)	13.0 (3.5 to 22.6)	.02 ^a

Abbreviation: SpO₂, peripheral oxygenation-saturation by pulse oximetry.

^a Likelihood ratio test P value for interaction term between the thirds of predicted individualized treatment effect and the randomized SpO₂ group assignment.

Conclusions

- In 2 RCTS, patients' individual characteristics modified the effect of lower vs higher SpO₂ targets on 28-day mortality
 - For example: Use of lower target may decrease mortality for patients with acute brain injury and use of higher target may decrease mortality for patients with sepsis and abnormal vital signs
- Heterogeneity of treatment effect may explain findings, on average, of no difference between groups in prior RCTs of SpO₂ targets



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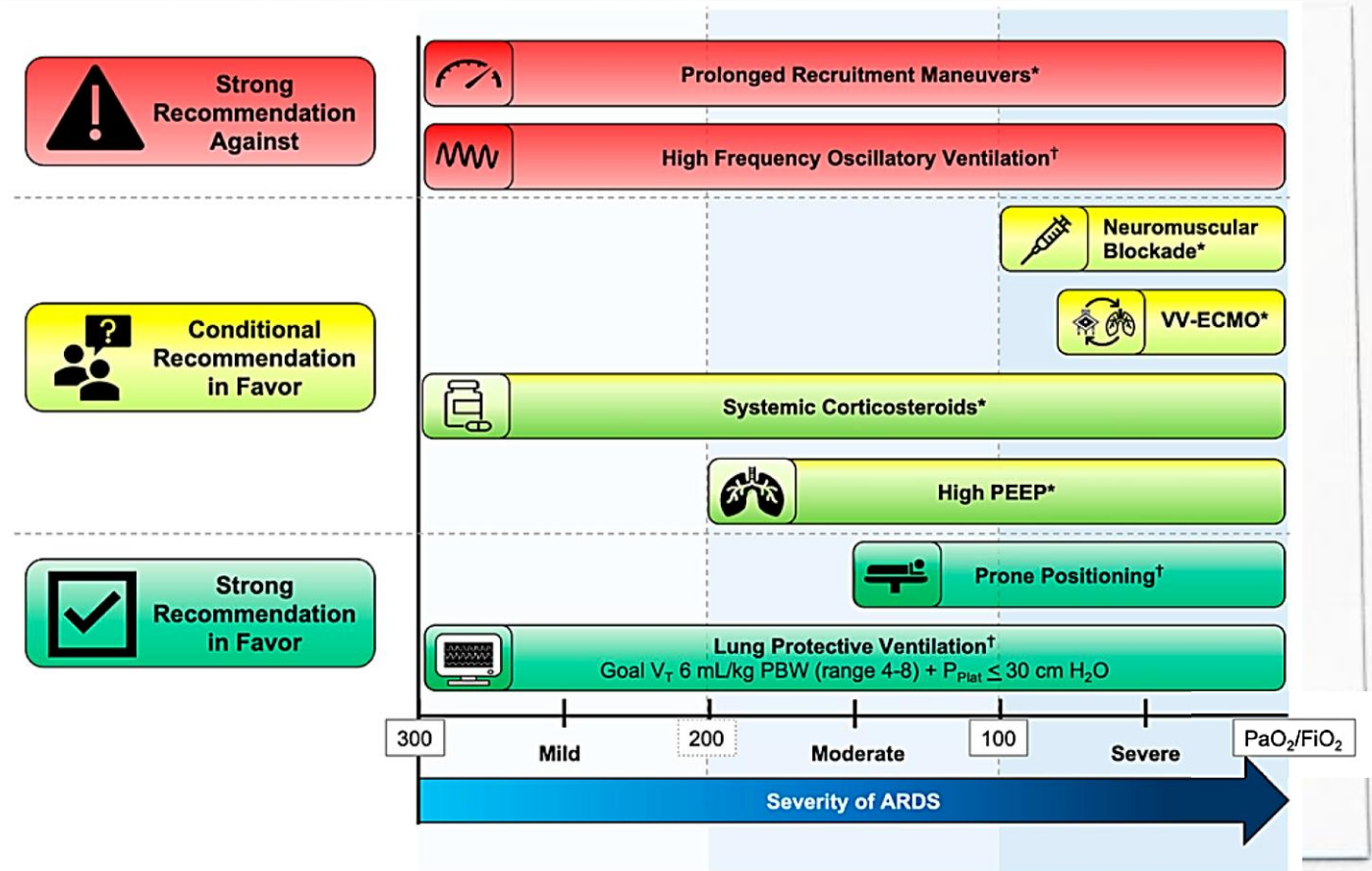
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Rationale

Current ARDS clinical practice guidelines recommend management based on severity of P:F ratio impairment



Update on Management of Adult Patients with ARDS: Official
ATS Clinical Practice Guideline
Qadir et al. AJRCCM. 2024

Objective

Evaluate whether oxygenation and mechanical variables are sufficiently correlated to justify the current guidance of basing therapy intensity on oxygenation criteria

Methods & Study Population

- 228 patients with ARDS enrolled between 2003 and 2024 (Italy, Germany, Chile)
- Population stratified into 3 groups

ARDS P:F severity groups

1. Mild-Moderate (200-151 mmHg)
1. Moderate-Severe (150-101 mmHg)
2. Severe (< 100 mmHg)

Mechanical Power Ratio* groups

1. Low
2. Middle
3. High

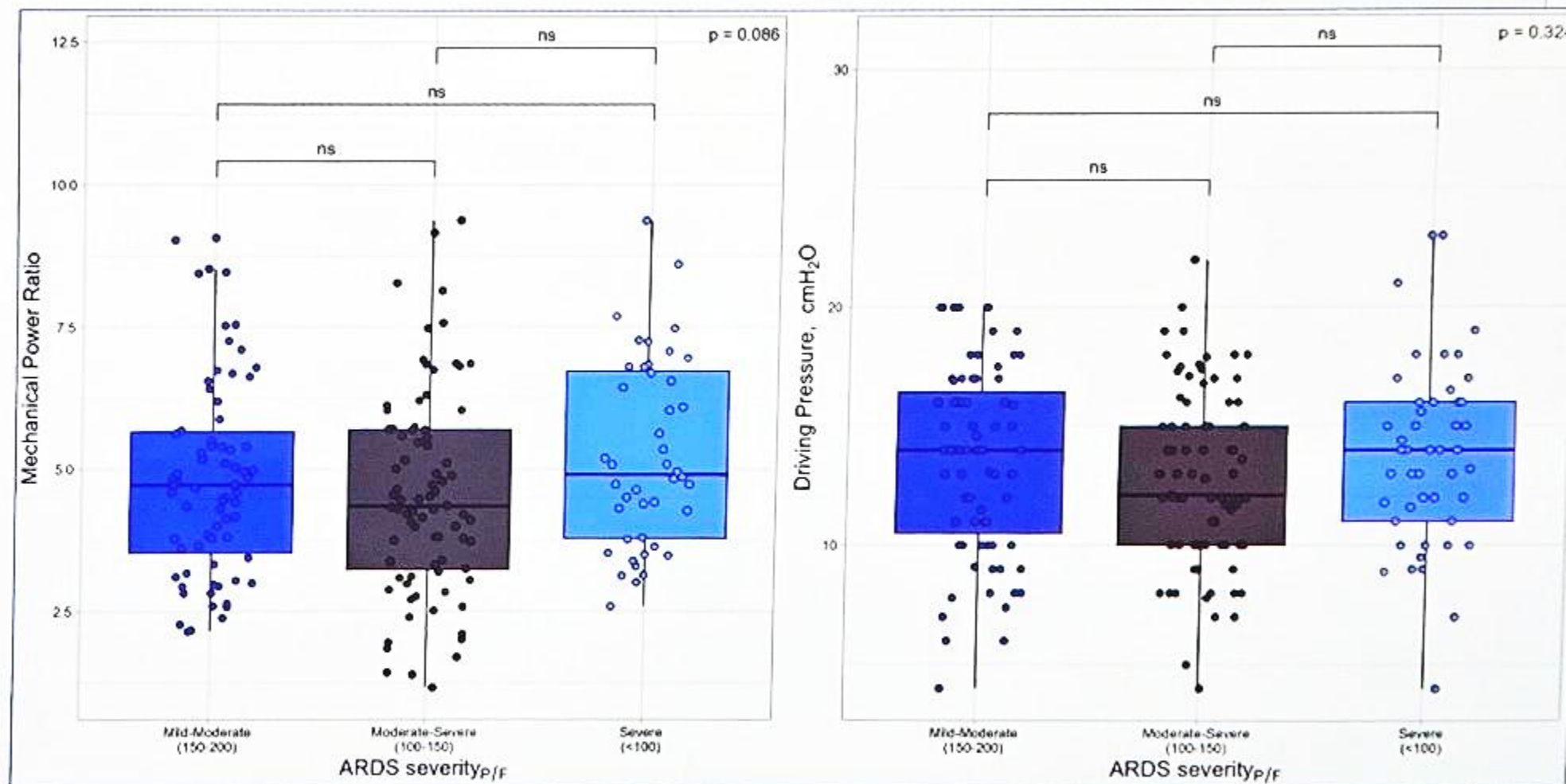
Driving Pressure groups

1. Low
2. Middle
3. High

Results

Fig 1:
MPR and ΔP
as function of P:F
severity classes

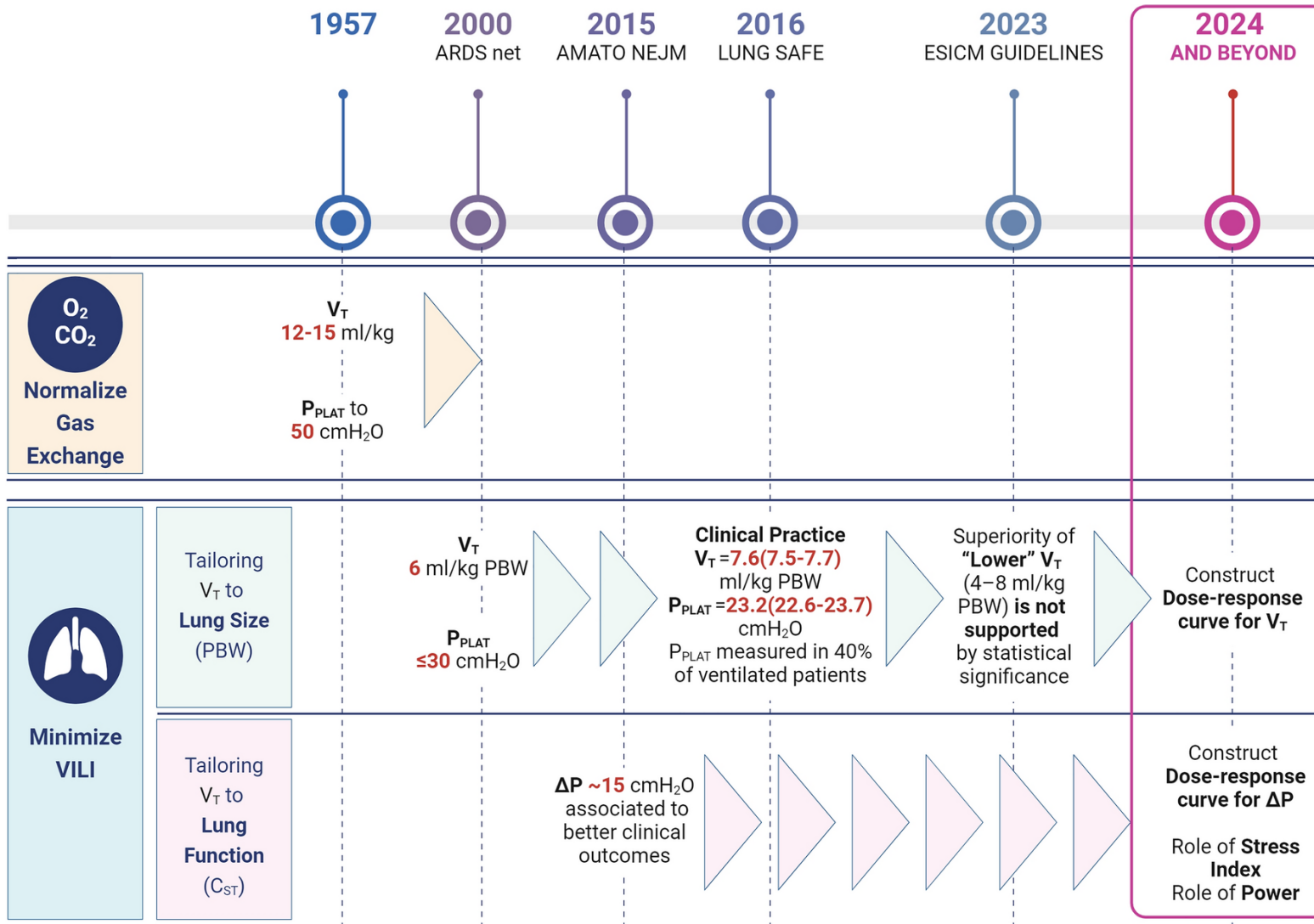
Result:
MPR and ΔP
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across ARDS P:F
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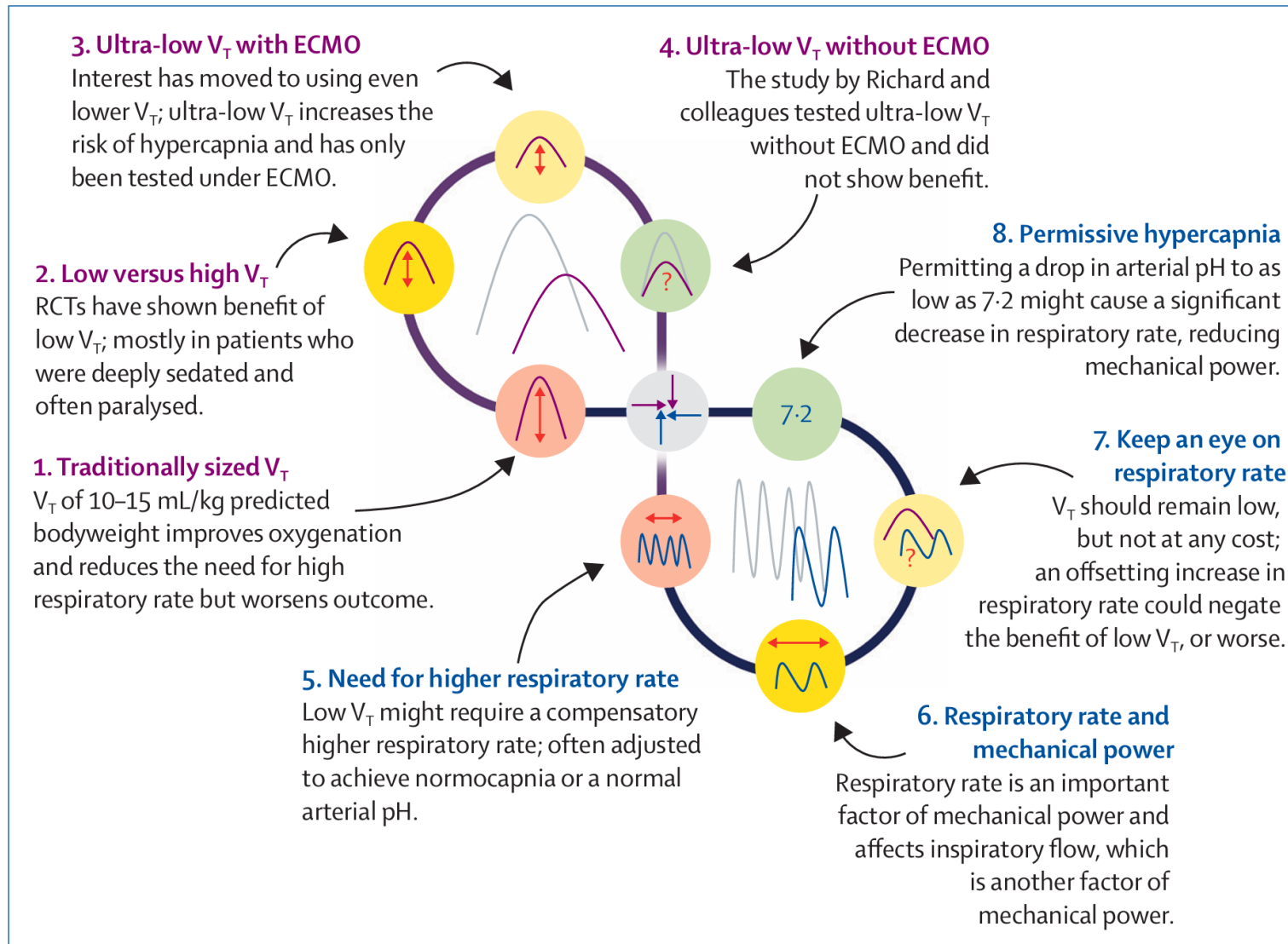
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- Mechanical ventilation intensity increased across MPR and ΔP tertiles
- ARDS severity based on oxygenation impairment did not reflect prerequisites and determinants of VILI

Finding the optimal tidal volume in ARDS



The interplay between V_T and Resp. rate



ICM

ESICM guidelines on acute respiratory distress syndrome: definition, phenotyping and respiratory support strategies

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Scientific symposium: Contrasting concurrent guidelines and making sense of their differences- ATS and ESCIM ARDS guidelines

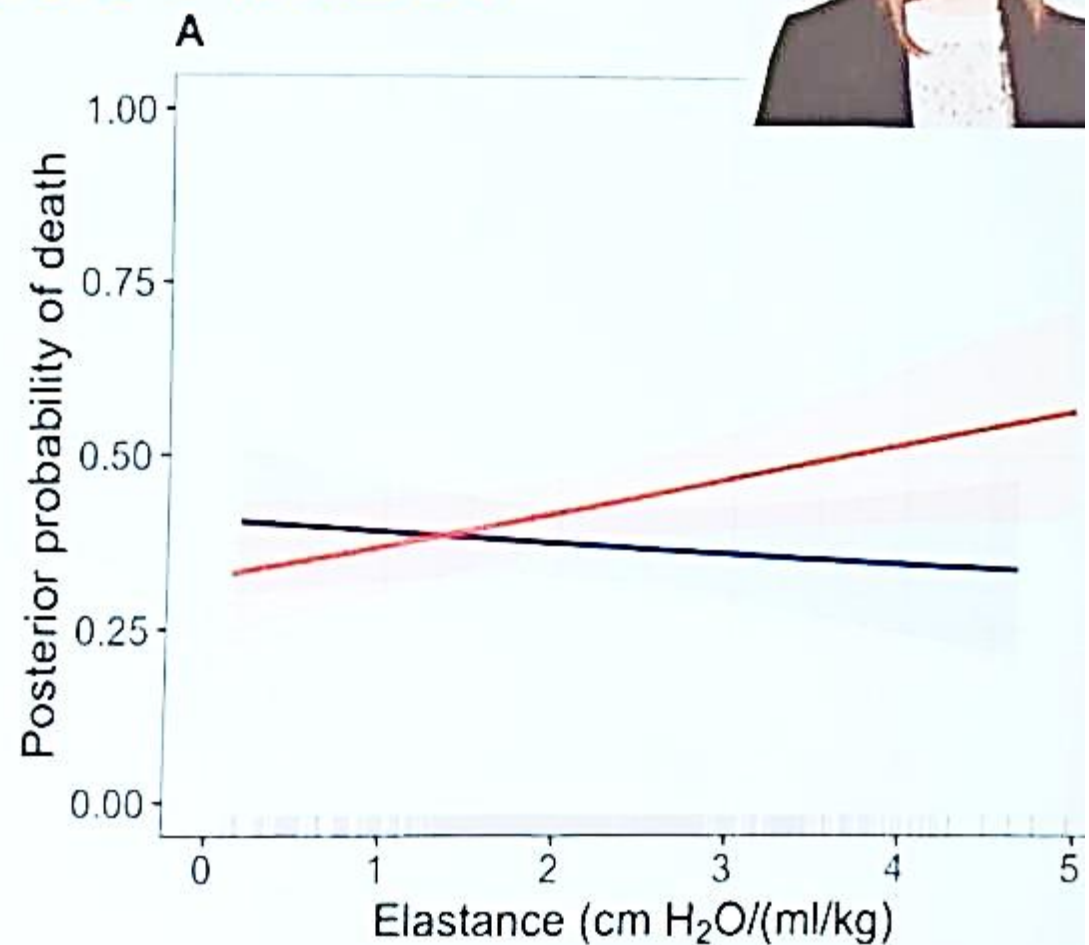
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ATS		ESCIM
Strong recommendation for	Lung protective ventilation	Strong recommendation for
Strong recommendation for	Early prone positioning in mod-severe ARDS	Strong recommendation for
Conditional recommendation in favor of	VV-ECMO in severe ARDS	Suggestion for
Conditional recommendation in favor of High PEEP vs. low PEEP in moderate to severe ARDS	PEEP titration strategy	No recommendation
Conditional recommendation in favor of	Corticosteroids	Do not address
Conditional recommendation in favor of use in moderate to severe ARDS	Neuromuscular blockade	Strongly recommendation against
Strongly recommendation against	Prolonged recruitment maneuvers	Strong recommendation against
Strongly recommendation against	HFOV	No recommendation
Do not address	HFNO	Strong recommendation for in AHRF
	Awake prone positioning in non-intubated patients with AHRF due to COVID-19	Suggestion for
	NIV to reduce intubation in COVID-19	Weak recommendation for
	ECCO ₂ R	Strong recommendation against

Phenotyping by Elastance: NMBA



- Re-analysis of ROSE trial
- Moderate-severe ARDS
- 92% probability that effect of NMB on mortality varies with baseline elastance
- Benefit greatest if baseline $E_{RS} > 2$ cmH₂O/(mL/kg)
- No difference if $E_{RS} < 2$ cmH₂O/(mL/kg)
- No HTE by VR, IL6, IL8, TNF1
- Unique phenotype from inflammatory subphenotype



(AJRCCM 2025 Jun;211(6):966-974)

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Outline : Precision medicine of respiratory support in ARDS patients

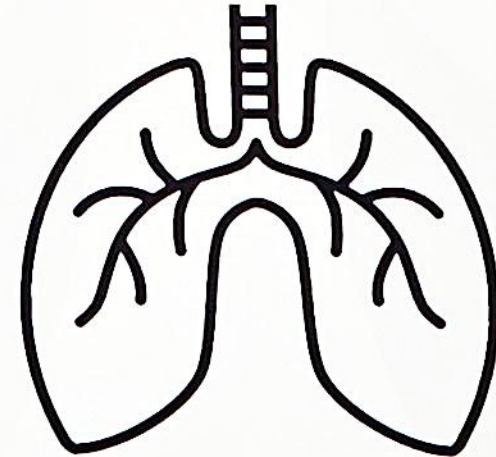
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Association Between Baseline Driving Pressure and Mortality in Very Old Patients with ARDS

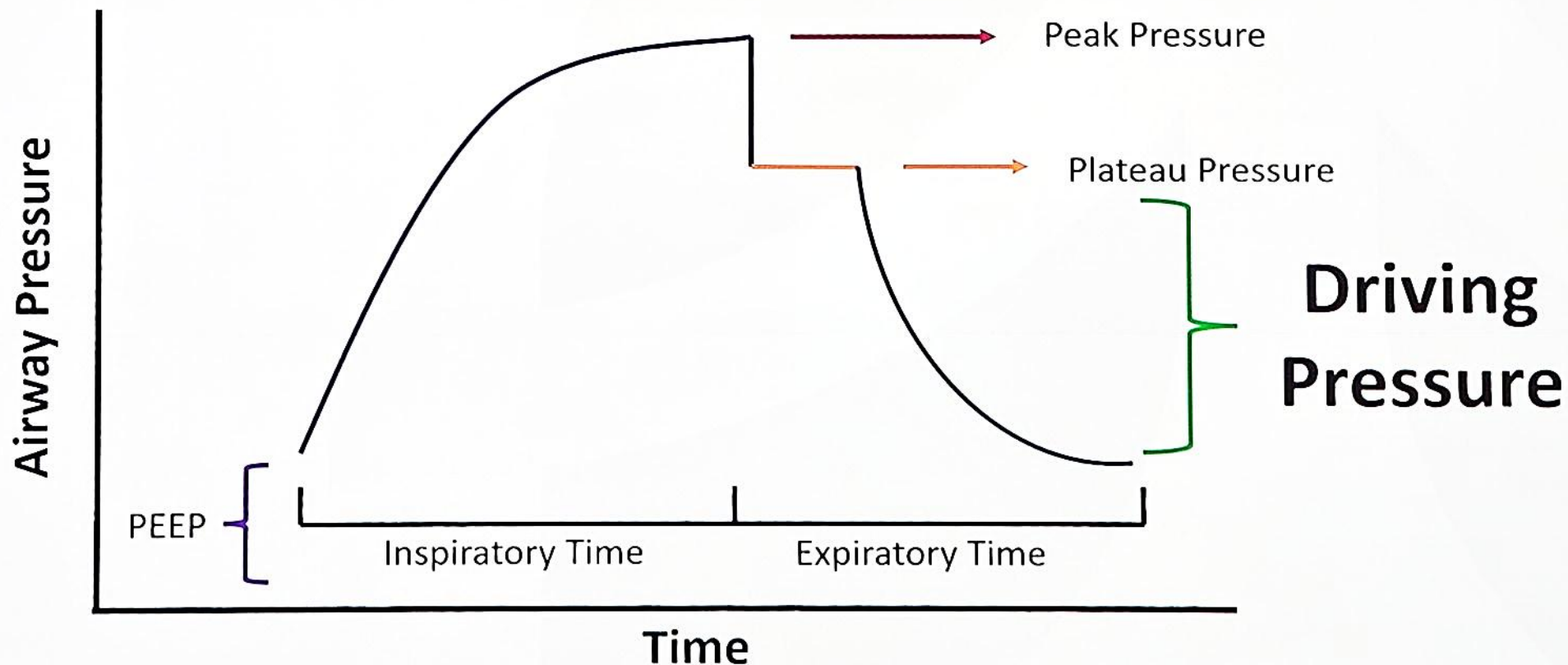
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Rationale

- Older patients may be more susceptible to VILI
- Aging effects the respiratory system
 - Decrease in chest wall compliance
 - Loss of alveolar elastic recoil
 - More prone to atelectasis



Driving Pressure (ΔP) = Pplat - PEEP



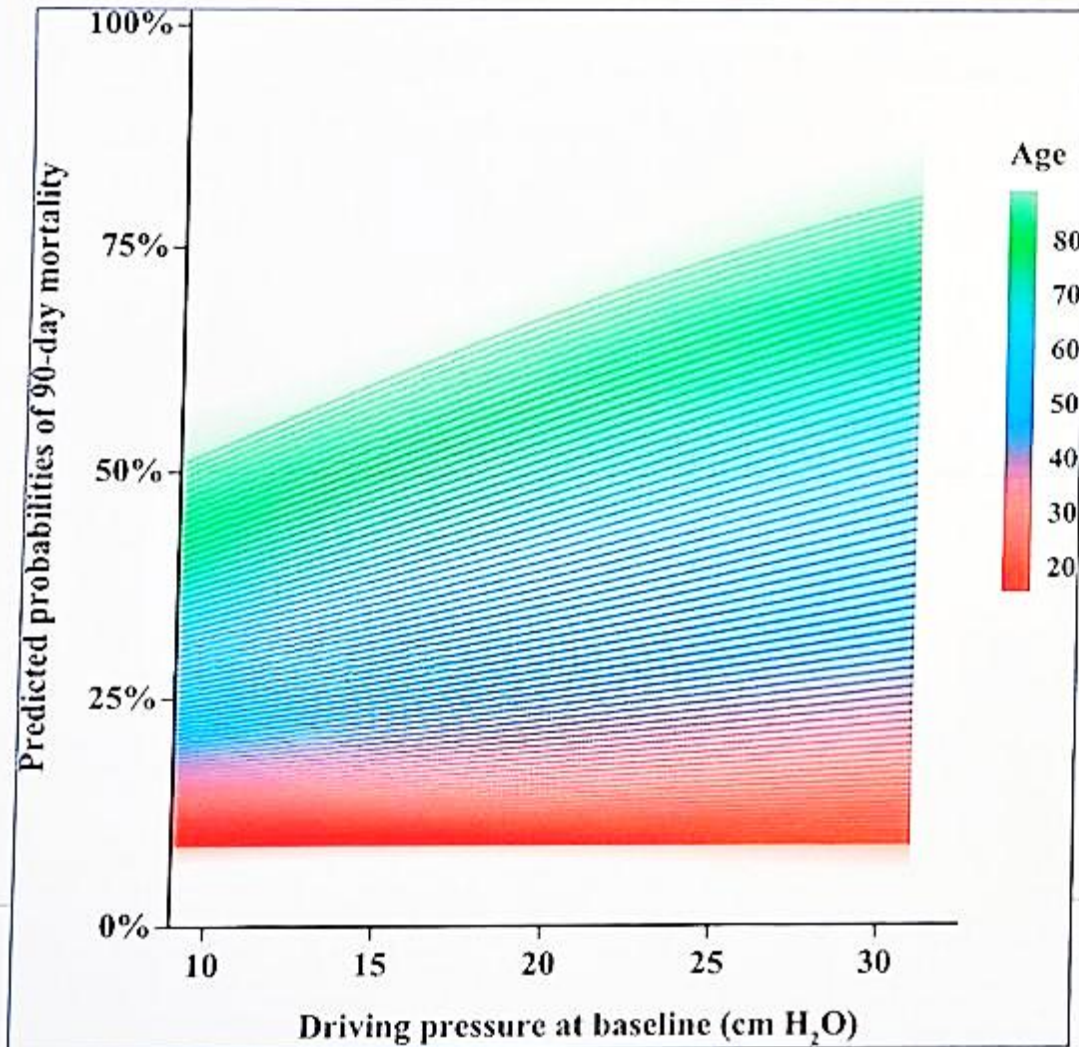
Objective

Evaluate whether the association between driving pressure and mortality is stronger in older patients with ARDS

Study Design

- Secondary analysis of individual patient-level data from 7 ARDS and PETAL Network RCTs
- 4,567 total patients with baseline driving pressure data
- Tested findings in independent cohort of patients with COVID-19 related ARDS

Does effect of driving pressure on mortality depend on age?



Binary logistic and Cox regression unadjusted analyses

- **Predictor:** Interaction term between age and driving pressure
- **Dependent variable:** 90-day mortality

Figure 1. Interaction plot showing that the effect of driving pressure on 90-day mortality depended on age ($P = 0.01$ for the interaction between age as a continuous variable and driving pressure).

Does threshold of ΔP associated with mortality depend on age?

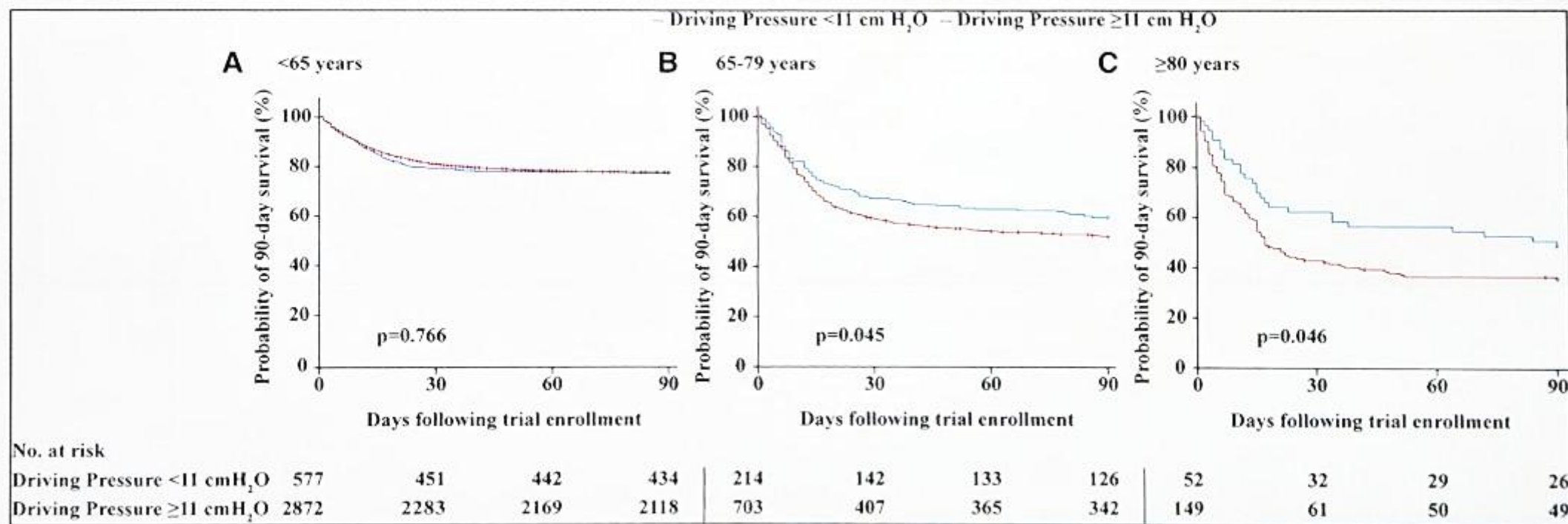


Figure 3. Kaplan-Meier curves of mortality for patients with driving pressure <11 cm H₂O compared with patients with driving pressure ≥11 cm H₂O across the three age groups

Conclusions

- Effect of driving pressure on mortality depended on age
- Very old patients may be more vulnerable to high driving pressure
- Driving pressure threshold of 11 cm H₂O might be appropriate for very old patients

Lung-Protective Mechanical Ventilation in Patients with Severe Acute Brain Injury: PROLABI

Citation: Mascia L, Fanelli V, Mistretta A et al. Am J Respir Crit Care Med. 2024 Nov 1;210(9):1123-1131. PMID: 39288368

Rationale

- Possible benefits to lung protective ventilation in patients with acute brain injury
 - Increased susceptibility to VILI
 - ARDS may occur in 10-15% of these patients
- Possible risks
 - Low V_T may increase risk of PaCO_2 and intracranial pressure
 - PEEP may decrease cerebral venous drainage



Objective

Determine if ventilation with lower V_T and higher PEEP compared with conventional ventilation would improve clinical outcomes in patients with acute brain injury

Study Design

- Multicenter, open-label, controlled clinical trial conducted over 5-year period with 1 year follow-up
- Participants: Severe acute brain injury secondary to TBI, SAH, intracerebral hemorrhage or ischemic stroke. **Excluded if ARDS at admission** or mechanically ventilated > 24 hours
- Target sample size: 524 participants

Group Assignments

Lung Protective Strategy

- V_T 6 ml/kg PBW
- PEEP 8 cm H₂O
- Volume-assist mode
- RR adjusted to maintain PaCO₂ between 35 and 38 mmHg
- Oxygenation target:
80 < PaO₂ < 100 mmHg

Conventional Strategy

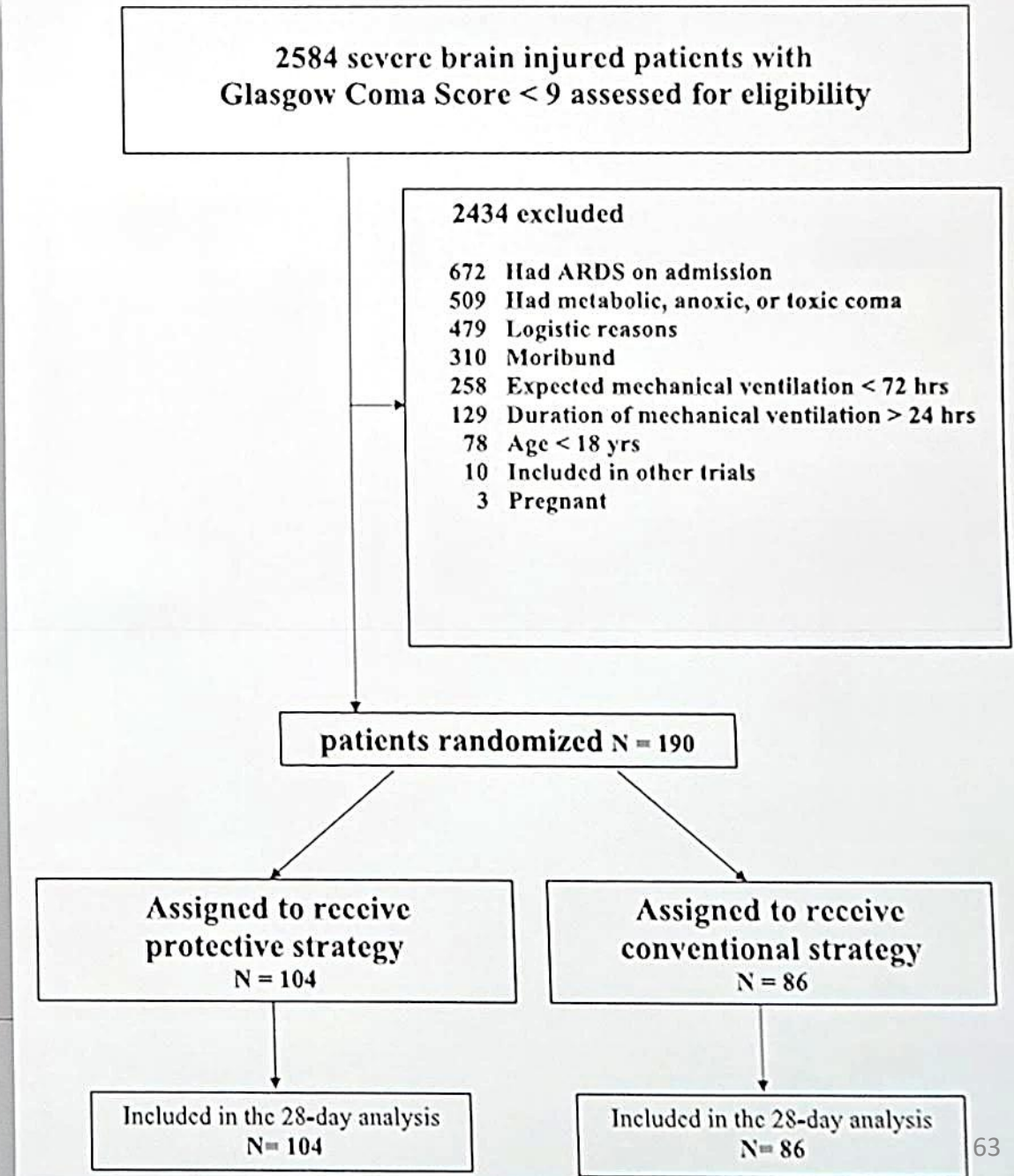
- $V_T \geq 8$ ml/kg PBW
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Outcomes

- Primary Outcome: Composite endpoint for death, ventilatory dependence, or ARDS at day 28 after randomization
- Secondary Outcomes:
 - Modified Oxford Handicap Scale (MOHS) at ICU discharge
 - Glasgow Outcome Scale extended (GOSe) at 6 months
 - ICU and hospital length of stay
 - Ventilator-free days

Results

Enrollment stopped after
190 patients due to
termination of funding



Selected Results

	Protective Strategy (n = 104)	Conventional Strategy (n = 86)	RR (95% CI)	P Value
Primary Composite Outcome (n, %)	64 (61.5)	39 (45.7)	1.35 (1.03; 1.79)	0.0258
Mortality at 28d, n (%)	30 (28.9)	13 (15.1)	1.91 (1.06; 3.42)	0.0244
Ventilatory dependency at 28 d, n (%)	44 (42.3)	24 (27.9)	1.52 (1.01; 2.28)	0.0393
Incidence of ARDS at 28 d, n (%)	32 (30.8)	19 (22.1)	1.39 (0.85; 2.27)	0.179
Secondary Outcomes				
MOHS at ICU discharge, n (%)				
Independent	29 (28.4)	22 (25.6)	1.34 (0.85-2.09)	0.201
Dependent	43 (42.2)	51 (59.3)	REF	N/A
Death	30 (29.4)	13 (15.1)	2.02 (1.16; 3.53)	< 0.001
GOSe at 6 months, n (%)				
Death/vegetative state	36 (45.0)	20 (29.0)	1.55 (1.00; 2.42)	0.0442
Severe/moderate/good recovery	44 (55.0)	49 (71.0)	REF	

Conclusions

- Protective strategy (V_T , 6 ml/kg PBW, 8 cm H₂O PEEP) **did not** reduce mortality, ventilatory dependence, and ARDS compared to conventional strategy ($\geq$ 8 ml/kg PBW, 4 cm H₂O PEEP)
- Small difference in PaCO₂ (~ 2mmHg) may have resulted in a small increase in cerebral blood flow in protective group
- Driving pressure and mechanical power at upper limit of safe range in both groups
- Results require confirmation in larger trials



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