









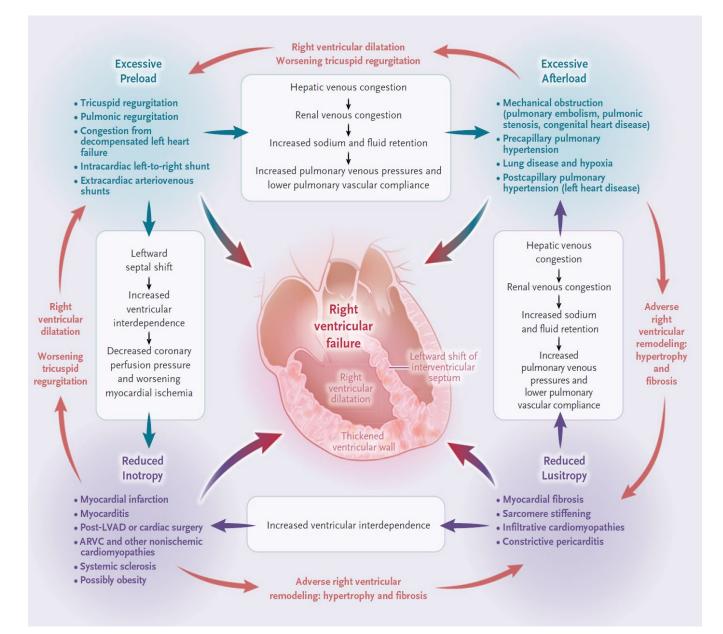
Pravostranné selhání v intenzivní péči

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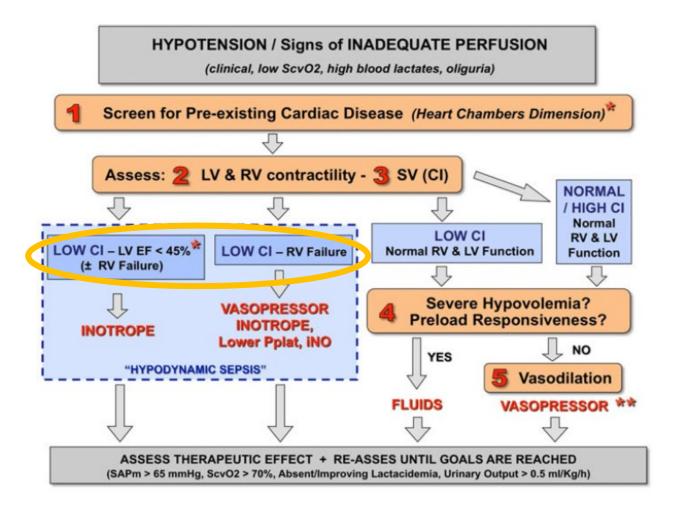
RV physiology



- Lower O₂ requirement than the LV less myocardial mass
- Perfusion via 2/3 RCA, 1/3 LCA
- RV perfused in both systolic and diastolic phases (unlike LV)
- Wraps around LV
- 25% of contraction generated by LV

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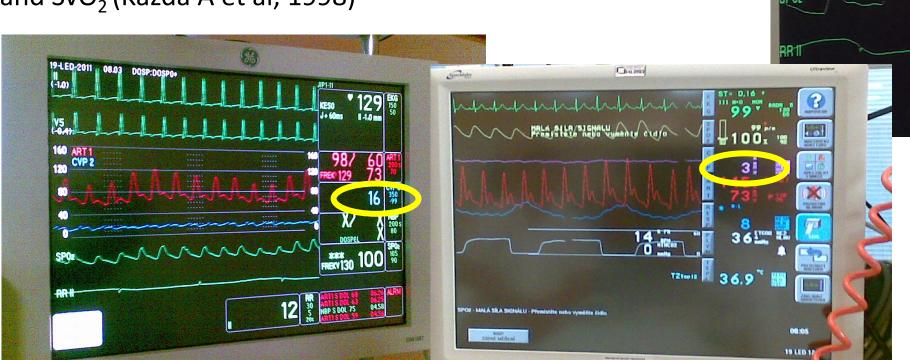
RV is sensitive to preload changes over time



- Manifests during haemodynamic instability due to other causes (IPPV, sepsis...)
- Risk of haemodynamic collapse during <u>rapid</u> volume expansion in preexisting RV dysfunction on IPPV
- SSC 30 ml/kg over 3h.....?!

Importance of CVP (and pressure curve)

- 1.) Diagnosis of obstructive shock
- 2.) Right heart:
 - Significant TR
 - RV function and response to fluids
- 3.) Dynamic monitoring of fluid challenge
- 4.) $ScvO_2$, $cvpO_2$ ($cvpO_2$ correlates better with $cvpO_2$ than $ScvO_2$ and SvO_2 (Kazda A et al, 1998)



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IVC diameter: RV and preload

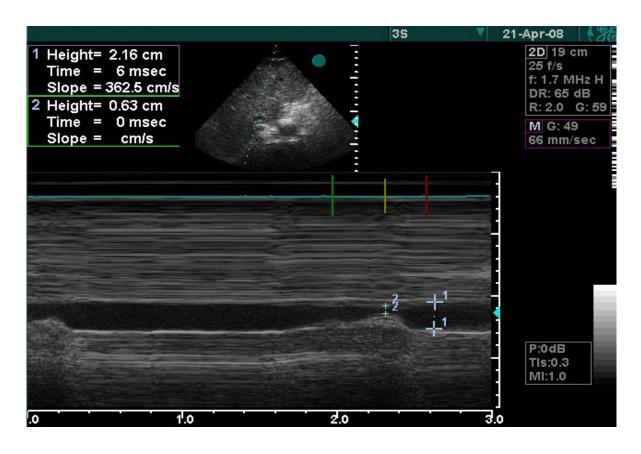


TABLE 33-3. Right Atrial Pressure Estimation from Inferior Vena Caval Diameter

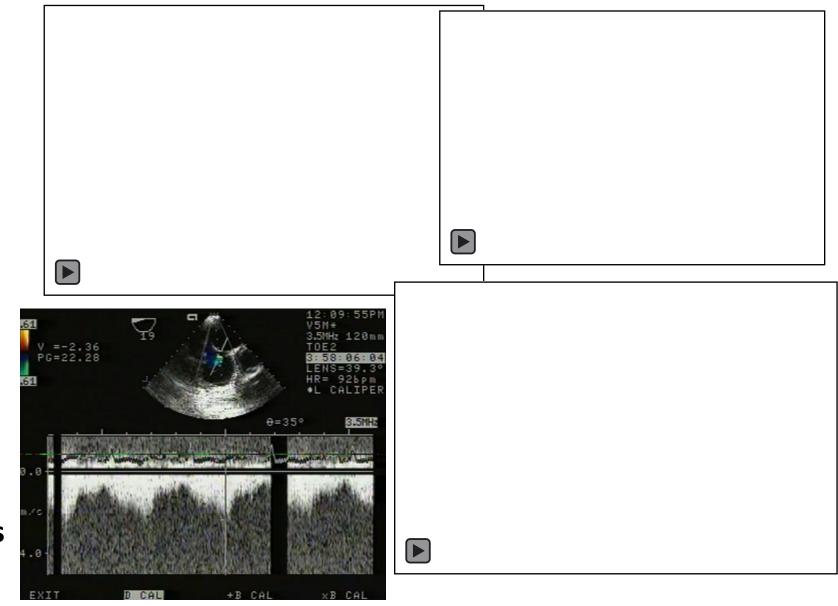
Inferior Vena Caval	Diameter Change	Right Atrial Pressure
Diameter	with Inspiration	Estimate, mm Hg
Small (<1.5 cm)	Collapse	0-5
Normal (1.5 to 2.5 cm)	>50% decrease	5-10
Dilated (>2.5 cm)	<50% decrease	10-15
Dilated inferior vena cava and hepatic veins	No change	>20

Otto C: Practice of Clinical Echocardiography, 2012

IVC collapse of at least -13% in inspirium (mandatory IPPV) predicts PAvti response to volumexpansion with 94% specificity (Barbier C: Intensive Care Med 2004; 30: 1740-1746)

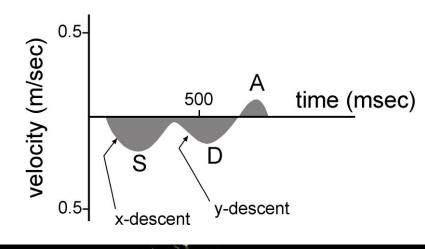
RV inflow: 2D

- RA filling: IVC and hepatic veins
 - dilatation not dependent on ventilation modality
- RA Pressure: 2D a M mode IVC
- RA size: Up to 38 mm (28-53mm), RA area: <20cm²
- IA septum: medial-RA, midsystolic shift to LA, impact of respiratory cycle (IPPV)
 - Permanent bowing into RA implicates LAP>15 mmHg (Royse C, 1994 and 2014)
- IA septal aneurysms/defects
 - LA-RA
 - RV overload, PH, RVF

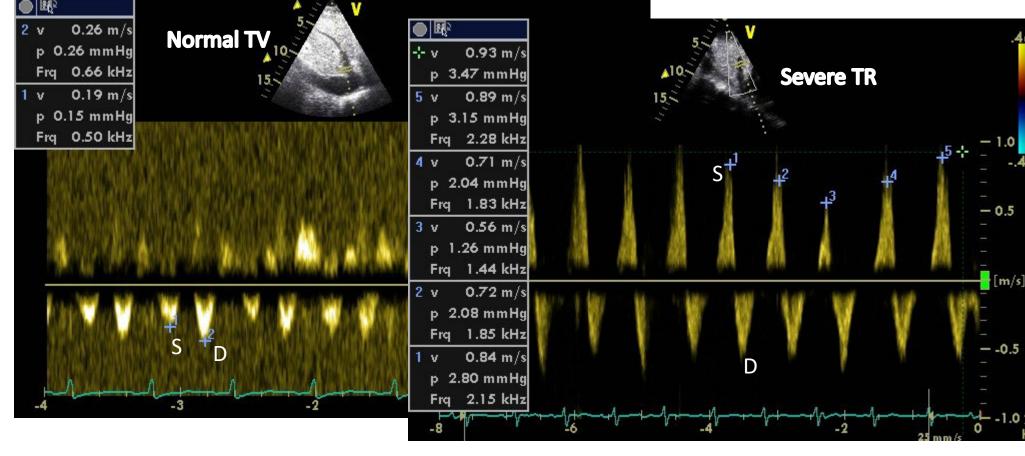


RV inflow: TR

- Hepatic veins
- S wave, D wave
- small reversal between them (TV annular recoil)
- A wave as systolic reversal in atrial systole (IV phase of diastole)



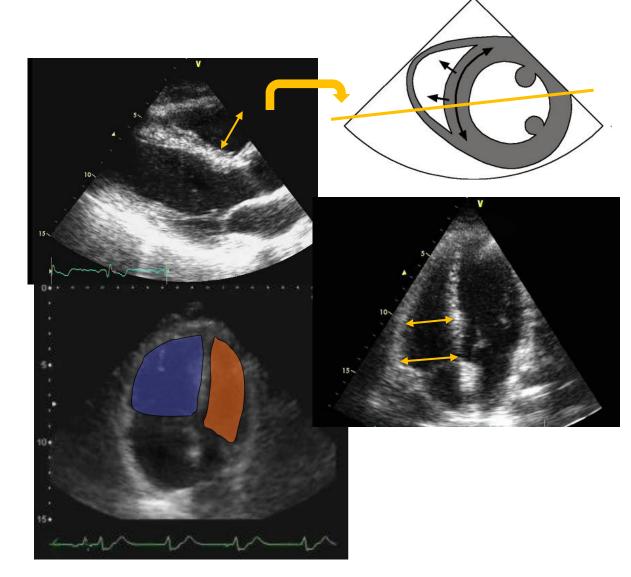
- Flattening or reversal of S wave
- Sig. reversal > 0.3-0.4 m/s
- In relation to severity of TR



Step 1: IVC Diameter: If >2cm, proceed to step 2 **Venous Excess Ultrasound** Interpretation RV inflow: Vo **VExUS** Grade 0 **Step 2:** Hepatic Vein Doppler (no congestion) IVC < 2cm NORMAL Mildly Abnormal Severely Abnormal 130 Pulm **Pulm** Veins **Arteries** S wave S<D s Pressure (mm Hg) Grade 1 Reversal (Mild congestion) IVC ≥2cm and any combo of Normal or Mildly Abnl Step 3: Portal Vein Doppler Right Left **Patterns** Heart Heart Severely Abnormal Mildly Abnormal NORMAL **Aorta** < 30% Grade 2 (Moderate congestion) *Pulsatility Index= (Vmax-Vmin)/Vmax IVC ≥2cm and **ONE Severely Abni** Step 4: Renal Vein Doppler **Pattern** NORMAL Mildly Abnormal Severely Abnormal Grade 3 (Severe congestion) IVC >2cm Continuous Monophasic flow with Monophasic Flow and Only Diastolic Phase ≥ 2 Severely Abnl Pocus101.com **Patterns** POCUS 101 ic DO_2/VO_2 Critical Care Doppler study of portal vein and renal venous velocity predict the appropriate fluid and PK/PD 20 response to diuretic in ICU: a prospective Pulsatility portal index, AUC: 0.80 (CI_{95%}:0.70 to 0.92, p=0.001) observational echocardiographic evaluation Renal venous index, AUC: 0.72 (CI_{95%}:0.61 to 0.84, p=0.001) VEXUS score, AUC: 0.66 (CI_{95%}:0.53 to 0.79, p=0.012)

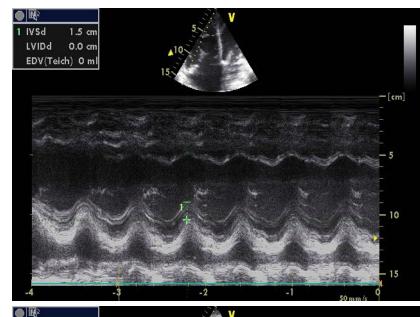
RV assessment by echocardiography

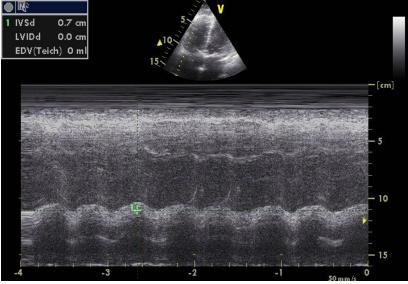
- Basal (tricuspid) and midventricular taken in A4C
- Parasternal RV inflow underestimates foreshortening
- RV EDA / LV EDA < 0.6
- Moderate dilatation 0.6-1.0
- Severe > 1.0
- TV anulus closer to apex than mitral
- Contractility essentials
 - Apical kinetics (LV!)
 - Free wall contractility
 - Longitudinal contractility



RV outflow: contractility

- RV_EF: linear relationship to survival on IPPV
- RV_EF: impact on outcome in CHF with CAD
- RV function prognosis in CHF on LVAD and HTx
- RV function prognosis in chronic pulmonary disease (e.g. COPD in ICU care)
- RV function predicts exercise capacity (6min WT) and survival in PH
- RV contractile reserve 1-year outcome in dilated cardiomyopathy





RV on IPPV and prognosis

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ORIGINAL

ICU Day

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Echocardiography phenotypes of right ventricular involvement in COVID-19 ARDS patients and ICU mortality: post-hoc (exploratory) analysis of repeated data from the **ECHO-COVID** study

Stephen Huang¹, Antoine Vieillard-Baron^{2,3}, Bruno Evrard⁴, Gwenaël Prat⁵, Michelle S. Chew⁶, Martin Balik⁷, Fernando Clau-Terré⁸, Daniel De Backer⁹, Armand Mekontso Dessap¹⁰, Sam Orde¹, Andrea Morelli¹¹, Filippo Sanfilippo¹², Cyril Charron^{2,3} and Philippe Vignon^{4,13*} on behalf of the ECHO-COVID study group 100 **RV** injuries 75 -Number of echo studies **RVdys** ACP + RVF ACP + RVdvs RVF + RVdvs



- RD dysfunction: TAPSE<16 mm, HR 1:20 ratio
- RVF: RV dilatation + CVP>8 mmHg/IVC dilated, HR 1.56
- ACP: LVEDA/RVEDA>0.6, PSM, HR 2.09

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RV contractility and sensitivity to afterload

- RV cycle with limited isovolumic stage.... x LV
- PA functional reserve: -30-50%
- PAP up to 40 mmHg tolerated without previous adaptation: dilated RV, prolonged isovolumic contraction
- Increase of RV afterload, tendency for ischaemia:
 - Diastolic perfusion only
 - Increased myocardial mass (chronic)

D'Alto et al. Crit Care (2020) 24:670 https://doi.org/10.1186/s13054-020-03385-5

Critical Care

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Right ventricular-arterial uncoupling independently predicts survival in COVID-19 ARDS

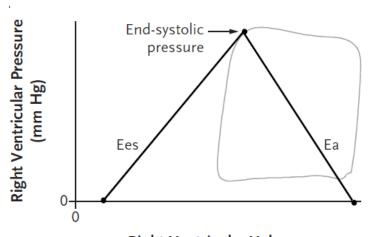
Michele D'Alto^{1*†}, Alberto M. Marra^{2†}, Sergio Severino³, Andrea Salzano⁴, Emanuele Romeo¹,

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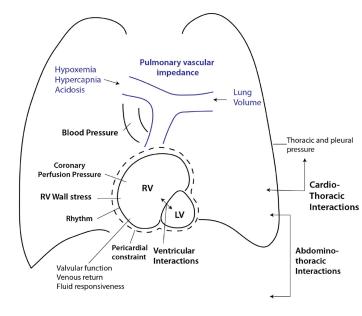
Prognostic implication of a novel right ventricular injury score in septic patients

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

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Right Ventricular Volume (ml)



- Ees /Ea RV between 1.5-2 (x LV 0.9-1), RV-PA coupling: TAPSE/PAPs > 0.63- 0.47 mm/mmHg
- RV-PA uncoupling Ees/EaTAPSE/PAPs ≤0.4 mm/mmHg

Intensive Care Med (2018) 44:774–790 https://doi.org/10.1007/s00134-018-5172-2

IPPV: dynamic and static power delivered to the cardiorespiratory system

$$Power_{rs} = RR \cdot \left\{ \Delta V^2 \cdot \left[\frac{1}{2} \cdot EL_{rs} + RR \cdot \frac{(1+l:E)}{60 \cdot l:E} \cdot R_{aw} \right] + \Delta V \cdot PEEP \right\},$$

IPPV = mechanical power

- Vt (exponential²)
- ΔPaw (Pplat-PEEP) (exponential²)
- Flow (exponential²)
- PEEP (exponential^{1.4})
- RR (linear)

....mechanical damage to lung

- Lung size (small with lower threshold..)
- Edema, inflammation
- Inhomogenity (main factor for VILI!)
- Perfusion
- pH, pCO₂, pO₂





Extremes of IPPV: Are worshippers of LRM chasing a right physiology model?

Baby lung

- Animal model of surfactant removal (lavage with a detergent)
- <u>Dominant collapse</u> of the distal bronch.
 tree in contrast to inflammation and edema
- Weight not increased, size reduced....
- Responds to LRM

Steinberg J, Schiller HJ, Halter JM, Gatto LA, Dasilva M, Amato M, McCann UG, Nieman GF: Tidal volume increases do not affect alveolar mechanics in normal lung but cause alveolar overdistension and exacerbate alveolar instability after surfactant deactivation. Crit Care Med 2002, 30:2675-2683.

Spragg RG, Smith RM, Harris K, Lewis J, Hafner D, Germann P: Effect of recombinant SP-C surfactant in a porcine lavage model of acute lung injury. J Appl Physiol 2000, 88:674-681.

Inflammatory ARDS

- ARDS induced by oleic acid
- Inflammation of lung parenchyma distension rather then a collapse
- distal bronch tree filled with hemorh. fluid
- Weight increased
- No response to LRM
- LRM blows up the less affected lung regions, Vd increases
- Dramatic impact on pulmonary perfusion and RV afterload

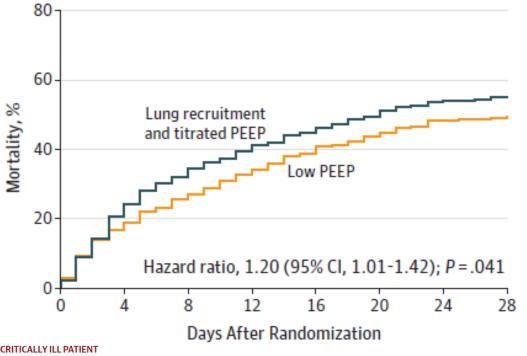
DiRocco JD, Pavone LA, Carney DE, Lutz CJ, Gatto LA, Landas SK, Nieman GF: **Dynamic alveolar mechanics in four models of lung injury**. *Intensive Care Med* 2006, **32**:140-148.

RV, pulmonary circulation and splanchnic perfusion were NOT an endpoint in any lung recruitment study (!)

Lung Docruitmont



- LOVS
- ExPress
- Pharlap
- EPVEnt 2
- ART



Mild ALI (n=62)a	ARDS (n=401)
60 (96.8)	382 (95.3)
24 (38.7)	222 (55.4)
28 (45.2) 41 (66.1)	142 (35.4) 300 (74.8)
7 (11.3)	67 (16.7)
5 (8.1)	75 (18.7)
6 (9.7)	91 (22.7)
7.40 (0.10) 39.7 (9.5)	7.34 (0.14) 44.9 (12.7)
239 (30)	119 (43)
34 (24–45)	41 (32–52)
4.9 (2.5)	7.1 (3.5)

Brun-Buisson C, et al. ALIVE Study. INT CARE MED 2003

JAMA | Original Investigation | CARING FOR THE CRITICALLY ILL PATIENT

Effect of Lung Recruitment and Titrated Positive

End-Expiratory Pressure (PEEP) vs Low PEEP on Mortality

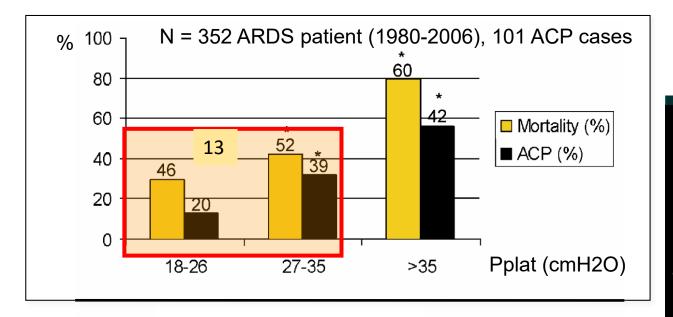
in Patients With Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome

A Randomized Clinical Trial

	.,	Maneuver With PEEP	Low-PEEP Group	Type of	Effect Estimate		
	Outcome		Titration Group (n = 501)	(n = 509)	Effect Estimate	(95% CI)	P Value
	Primary Outcome						
	Death ≤28 d, No. of events/total No.	. (%)	277/501 (55.3)	251/509 (49.3)	HR	1.20 (1.01 to 1.42)	.041
	Within 6 mo ^a		327/501 (65.3)	305/509 (59.9)	HR	1.18 (1.01 to 1.38)	.04

Aggresive IPPV in ARDS: risk of RV failure

- typically in predisposed patients
- ACP up to 33% (Jardin F, Intensive Care Med 2007)
- Pplat < 27 mbar only 13%
- ACP 22% (ΔPaw 18±5 vs 16±5 mbar) (Mekontso-Dessap, Intensive Care Med 2016)
- Survival on IPPV linearly related to EF RV (Steltzer H: Anaesthesia 1994)
- ACP and RVF as an indication to VA-ECMO....



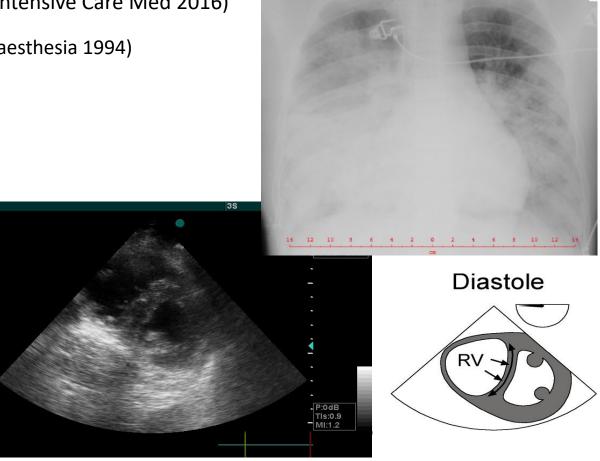
Jardin F, Vieillard-Baron A. INT CARE MED 2007

Intensive Care Med (2016) 42:862-870 SEVEN-DAY PROFILE PUBLICATION



Armand Mekontso Dessap Florence Boissier Cvril Charron Emmanuelle Bégot Xavier Repessé Annick Legras Christian Brun-Buisson Philippe Vignon **Antoine Vieillard-Baron**

Acute cor pulmonale during protective ventilation for acute respiratory distress syndrome: prevalence, predictors, and clinical impact



IPPV, RV and kidney function

- Days of IPPV bound to ARF/RRT and outcome in Covid-19
- PEEP+volume expansion+neurohumoral effects
- Role of CVP and Echocardiography+CUS in IPPV setting
- VV-ECMO may alleviate aggressive IPPV and PEEP splanchnic perfusion

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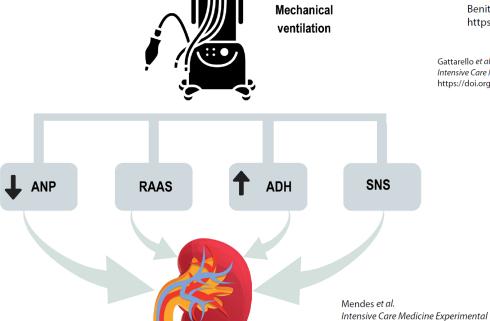
COVID-19 vs. Control: Day Days 3 to 7 -Days 8 to 14 -Days 15 to 21 -Days >= 21 -IMV: Yes vs. No: Days 1 to 7. Days >= 15 -Age: Reference: 18-59 60-69 70-79 -80-96 -SAPS 3 score: Reference: Low High. Sex: Male vs. Female -1.0 **High PEEP** Panel B Panel A P=0.003 RIFLE 2 RIFLE 3 No AKI RIFLE 1 RIFLE 3 RIFLE 2

Endpoint RRT

Perschinka et al. Annals of Intensive Care

https://doi.org/10.1186/s13613-025-01424-4

(2025) 15:17



Benites et al. Critical Care (2025) 29:130 https://doi.org/10.1186/s13054-025-05343-5

Gattarello et al.

Intensive Care Medicine Experimental (2024) 12:31

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Low PEEP

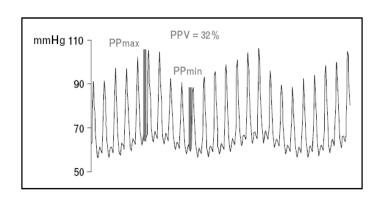
Elastic component

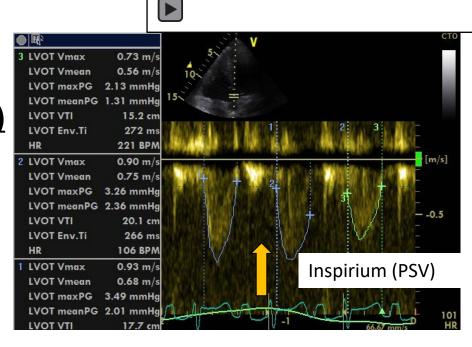
No AKI

RIFLE 1

PPV interpretation in severe RV dysfunction.....

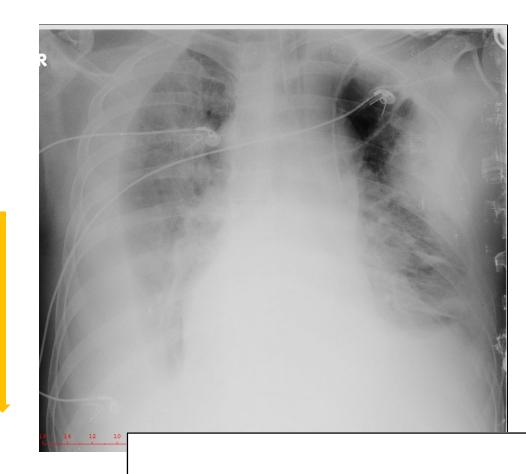
- 1.) decrease of RVEF and increase of RVEDV with RV dilatation
- 2.) Permanent increase of PVR leads to acute cor pulmonale:
 - a.) RV dilatation (RVEDA/LVEDA>0.6)
 - b.) paradoxic septal motion
- 3.) increase of CVP
- 5.) decrease of SV and CO
 - pulsus paradoxus
 - dDown Effect (Pp, BPs variation)





48y male drinker, intubated for hypoxia

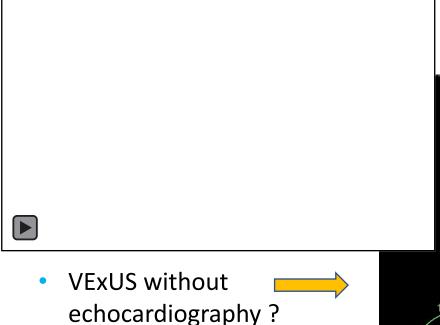
- Pneumococcus
- SIMV, Pplat 32, PEEP 14, f 24/min, I/E 1/1.5, FiO₂ 0.80
- Bilateral CDs: drainage 12F L 450 ml and 20F R 950 ml
- Septic shock, NAD 0.45 ug/kg.min, lactate 2.8 mmol/l
- Persisting requirement for high FiO₂
- LRM 44 mbar/PEEP 20 mbar/40 min..18 mbar/3h
- Remaining on Pplat 36, PEEP 16, f 20/min, I/E 1/1.2, FiO_2 0.50....NAD 0.75 ug/kg.min, lactate 6.2
- FiO₂ 0.45, improved gases and X-ray.....
- Sinus 120/min, NAD 0.85 ug/kg.min, lactate 6.8 mmol/l, CO 6.4 l/min
- Hypoglycaemia, bilirubin 65 umol/l, AST 20.5, ALT 18.5 ukat/l....
- ARF, start CRRT





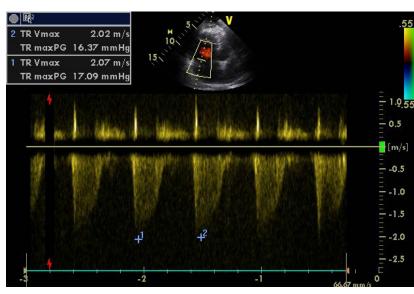
LRM induced RV failure and ARF (+16h)

- Pressure/volume overload of the RV
- Signs of ACP, no PH (CVP 18 mmHg + 17 mmHg TRcw)
- RV/PA uncoupling: TAPSE/PAPs 5/17 = 0.29 mm/mmHg
- Liver congestion in primary steatofibrosis
- Ventilator induced cardiorenal syndrome, CRRT + RCA....



echocardiography?



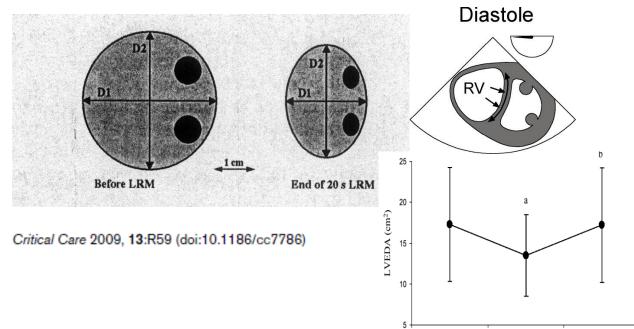


Lung recruitment maneuver - if ever, then always with echo!

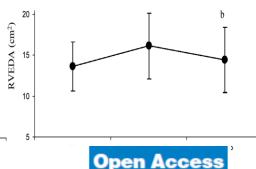
Decreased EI (D2/D1)= RV pressure overload, risk of ACP, diastolic LV failure

Decrease of SV_{RV} and LV preload reduces SV and CO by 50%, MAP by 20%

(Nielsen J: Intensive Care Med 2005)



- +16h:...BIPAP, Pinsp 24, PEEP 8, f 18/min, IT 1.3s, FiO₂ 0.65, PSV 12 mbar, Vt 570 ml
- Weaned via PSV, extubated day 5.
- Off CRRT on day 6., regained renal functions
- Discharged day 7.



Research

Respiratory and haemodynamic changes during decremental open lung positive end-expiratory pressure titration in patients with acute respiratory distress syndrome

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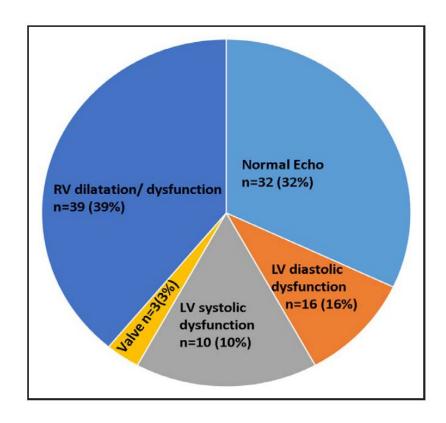


Circulation

ORIGINAL RESEARCH ARTICLE

Spectrum of Cardiac Manifestations in COVID-19

A Systematic Echocardiographic Study





- Dilated RV and PH in 31-39%
- Related to mortality, OR 4.5, p=0.005
 - (Argulian E, JACC 2020, 13:2459-60)
- SV arrhythmias in 44% ICU patients

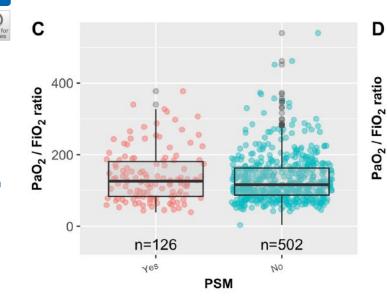
RV echocardiography parameters as an indication to earlier VV-ECMO instead of later VA?

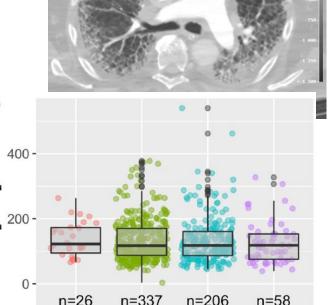


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- No relation between right heart echoparameters and ELSO oxygenation/ ventilation criteria for VV-ECMO
- Progression of ACP towards a need for VA-ECMO not desirable in ARDS with higher BMI





Petit *et al. Crit Care* (2021) 25:220 https://doi.org/10.1186/s13054-021-03646-x

Critical Care

RV size (visual)

RESEARCH LETTER

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Evaluation of right ventricular function and driving pressure with blood gas analysis could better select patients eligible for VV ECMO in severe ARDS

Thank you for your attention!

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