

Protocol summary



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This protocol summary is designed to help inform clinicians of key published protocols used to guide hemodynamic monitoring in moderate-to high-risk surgery.

It is not intended to recommend a specific protocol, but to guide hemodynamic optimization through perioperative goal-directed therapy protocols that have been shown to reduce the number of peri- and postoperative complications, and improve patient outcomes.¹⁻³

Since every case is different, physicians must weigh the risks and benefits of initiating any specific protocol.

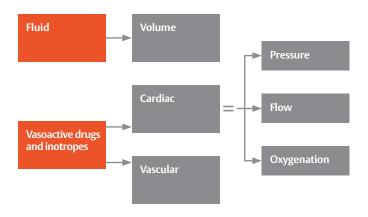
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The physiologic principles of fluid support

"A patient's physiologic status in general and hemodynamic stability in particular define the need for cardiovascular support, including fluid therapy and use of vasoactive drugs (vasopressors, vasodilators) and inotropes. Specific hemodynamic goals include maintaining adequate blood volume and sustaining perfusion pressure so as to maintain cardiac output, tissue blood flow, and adequate oxygen delivery. Fluid therapy is often the first line of hemodynamic support because decreased effective circulating blood volume often accompanies induction of anesthesia and surgical trauma. However, fluid therapy only indirectly impacts cardiac and vascular function. Optimizing oxygen delivery and assuring the removal of metabolic bioproducts may require a combination of individualized fluid therapy, pharmacotherapy, and occasionally mechanical cardiovascular support."

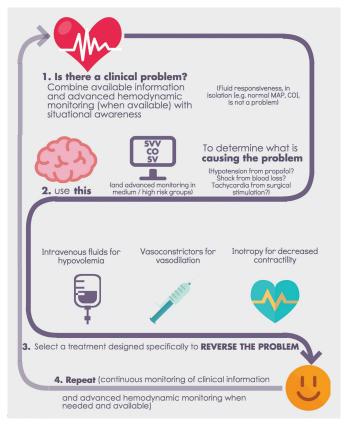
Perioperative fluid therapy: a statement from the international Fluid Optimization Group

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Hemodynamics Framework

by the POQI Fluids Subgroup a rational, step-wise approach



American Society for Enhanced Recovery (ASER) and Perioperative Quality Initiative (POQI) joint consensus statement on perioperative fluid management within an enhanced recovery pathway for colorectal surgery

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Calvo-Vecino Protocol¹

Overview

Study design

Multicenter randomized controlled trial

Patient population

Low-to moderate risk patients undergoing major elective surgery (abdominal, urological, gynecological or orthopedic)

Target parameters

Stroke volume, cardiac index, mean arterial pressure

Intervention

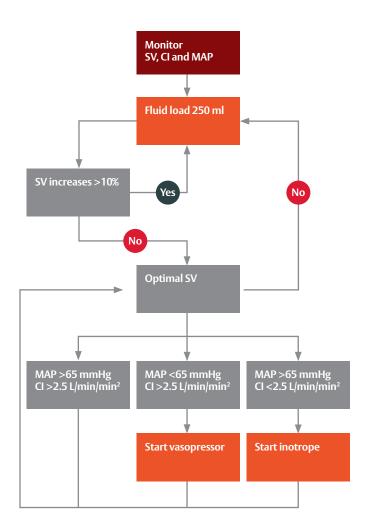
Fluid, vasopressors, inotropes

Primary outcomes

Decrease in postoperative complications (8.6% vs 16.6%) and decrease in hospital length of stay (4-10 days vs 5-12 days)

A total of 450 patients participated in this study

During the intraoperative period, patients randomized to the control group received continuous infusion of balanced crystalloid fluids (Ringer's lactate) at 3-5 ml kg/h for laparoscopic surgery, or 5-7ml kg/h for open surgery



Overview

Study design

Single-center randomized controlled trial

Patient population

Undergoing head and neck oncologic surgery with primary FTT (free tissue transfer) reconstruction

Target parameters

Stroke volume variation, cardiac index, systemic vascular resistance, mean arterial pressure

Intervention

Fluid, vasopressor, inotrope

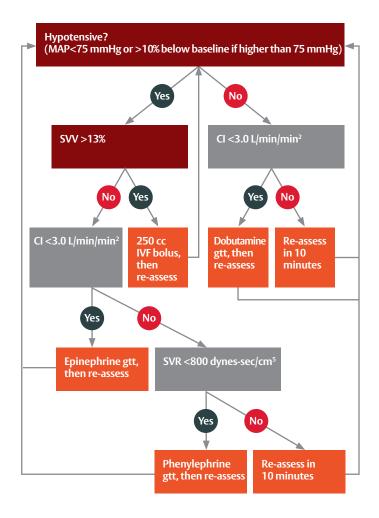
Primary outcomes

Decrease in ICU length of stay (1.4 days vs 2.4 days) and decrease in duration of mechanical ventilator requirement (1.72 days vs 0.81 days)

A total of 94 patients participated in this study

Maintenance of plasmalyte-A was administered based on the patient's body weight and estimated evaporative losses based on incision

Albumin (25%) was given if the patient's preoperative albumin is <2.5 g/dL based on the following formula: (2.5 g/dL – actual albumin g/dL) x weight (kg) x 0.8



Overview

Study design

Randomized, controlled trial

Patient population

Undergoing elective craniotomy for brain tumor resection, brain abscess or intracranial aneurysm

Target parameters

Cardiac index, stroke volume variation, mean arterial pressure

Intervention

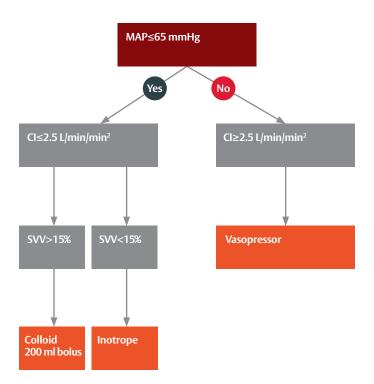
Fluid (colloid), vasopressor, inotrope

Primary outcomes

Decreased ICU length of stay (3 days vs 6 days) and decrease in total number of postoperative complications (46 vs 99)

A total of 145 patients participated in this study

Maintenance fluid: crystalloid 3 mL/kg/hr, with a maximum of 2 colloid boluses in the case of hypotension with low CI and high SVV



Meersch Protocol⁴

Overview

Study design

Single-center randomized controlled trial

Patient population

Undergoing major cardiac surgery with the use of cardiopulmonary bypass and at high risk for AKI (acute kidney injury)

Target parameters

Stroke volume variation, cardiac index, mean arterial pressure

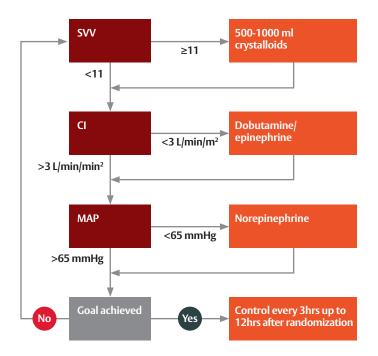
Intervention

Fluid, vasopressor, inotrope

Primary outcomes

Decrease in occurrence of AKI within 72 hours after surgery (55.1% vs 71.7%)

A total of 276 patients participated in this study



Osawa Protocol⁵

Overview

Study design

Randomized, controlled trial

Patient population

High-risk patients undergoing coronary artery bypass surgery or valve repair

Target parameters

Cardiac index, stroke volume index, central venous pressure

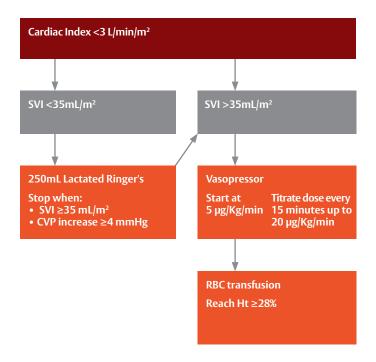
Intervention

Fluids, inotropes, RBC transfusions

Primary outcomes

Decrease in overall rate of complications (11% vs 22%) and decrease in hospital length of stay (9 days vs 12 days)

A total of 126 patients participated in this study



Peng Protocol⁶

Overview

Study design

Randomized, controlled trial

Patient population

Undergoing elective major orthopedic surgery including total hip arthroplasty, spinal fusion surgery, femoral fracture surgery and sacral tumor surgery and with an anticipated blood loss >800 ml

Target parameters

Stroke volume variation, MAP, HR, CVP, urine output

Intervention

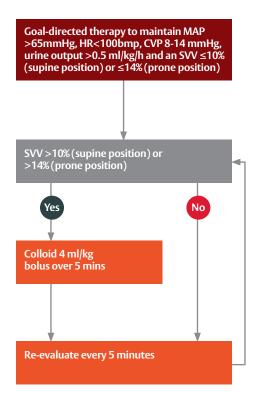
Fluid (colloid)

Primary outcomes

Decreased volume of intraoperative fluids, maintained intraoperative hemodynamic stability and improved perioperative gastrointestinal function

A total of 80 patients participated in this study

Maintenance fluid: crystalloid 5ml/kg/hr



Colantonio Protocol⁷

Overview

Study design

Single-center, prospective, randomized trial

Patient population

ASA II & III patients undergoing cytoreductive surgery (CRS) with hyperthermic intraperitoneal chemotherapy (HIPEC)

Target parameters

Cardiac index, stroke volume index, stroke volume variation

Intervention

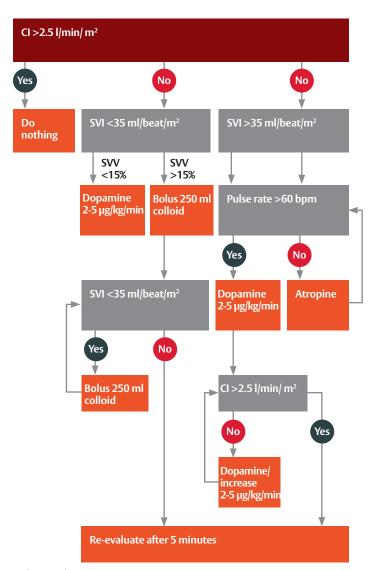
Fluid (colloid), inotrope, chronotrope

Primary outcomes

Decrease in postoperative major abdominal complications (10.5% vs 38.1%) and decrease in hospital length of stay (19 days vs 29 days)

A total of 80 patients participated in this study

Maintenance fluid crystalloid 4ml/kg/h



NICE / Kuper Protocol⁸

Overview

Study design

Quality improvement program (before-after comparison)

Patient population

Undergoing emergency or elective abdominal, orthopedic, gynecologic, urologic or vascular surgery

Target parameters

Stroke volume

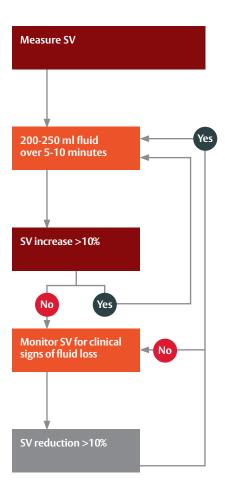
Intervention

Fluid

Primary outcomes

3.7-day decrease in hospital length of stay (25%)

A total of 1,307 patients participated in this study



Ramsingh Protocol9

Overview

Study design

Prospective quality improvement study

Patient population

Undergoing open colectomy, pancreatectomy, pelvic surgery with cancer debulking or liver resection and equipped with an arterial line

Target parameters

Stroke volume variation, blood pressure, cardiac index

Intervention

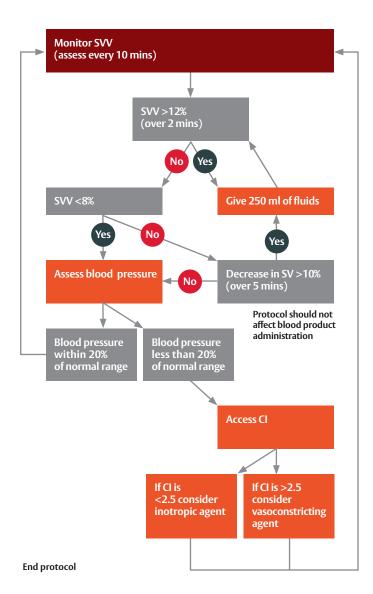
Fluid

Primary outcomes

Decrease in hospital length of stay by 18% and decrease in ICU length of stay by 16%

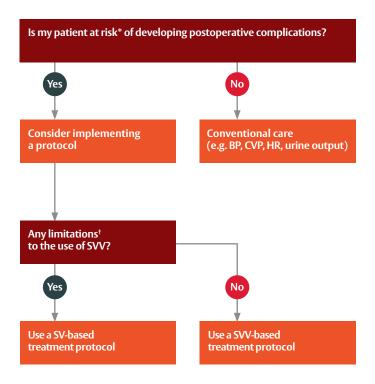
A total of 327 patients participated in this study

Maintenance fluid: crystalloid 3cc/kg/hr



Application of stroke volume versus stroke volume variation protocols

The following algorithm is provided to help you select the most appropriate perioperative goal-directed therapy (PGDT) protocol for your patient. When choosing a protocol, the clinician should consider method of ventilation as well as other patient variables (positioning, minimally-invasive surgery, etc.).



^{*}At risk due to comorbidities or the surgical procedure itself.

Abbreviations: BP: Blood Pressure; **CVP:** Central Venous Pressure; **HR:** Heart Rate; **SV:** Stroke Volume; **SVV:** Stroke Volume Variation.

[†]Factors that may impact reliability of SVV: Spontaneous breathing, tidal volume <8 ml/kg, open chest, cardiac arrhythmias, right ventricular failure and abdominal pressure.

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