



# Peri-interventional management of stroke

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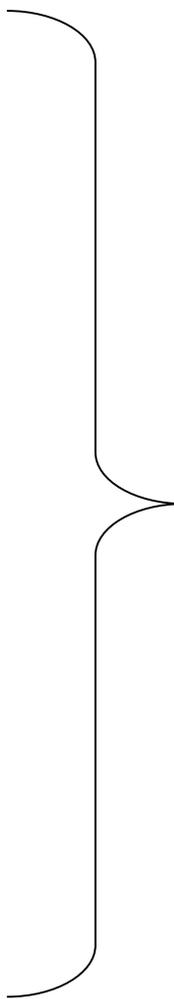
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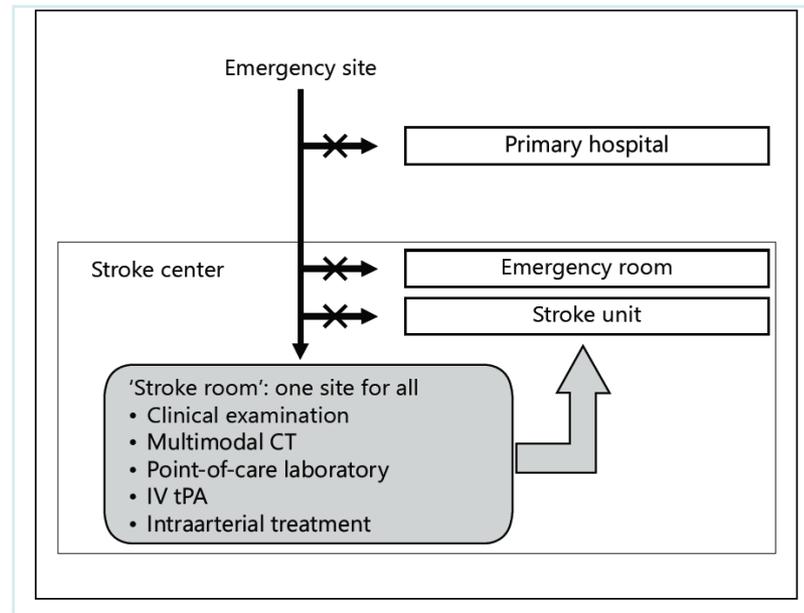
# Streamlining stroke management

- Prenotification
- Team awaits patient, prepares arrival
- At the CT:
  - *Handover*
  - *Neurological examination*
  - *POC laboratory*
  - *IVT*
  - *IAT next room*
- Medication ready
- No unnecessary measures



„stroke room“  
protocol

# Stroke Room concept: all at one site



**Less is more:**

**Avoiding unnecessary procedures !**

# Multimodal MRI: for selected patients only

- informs about tissue at risk („tissue clock“)
  - Albers GW, Thijs VN et al, (DEFUSE). Ann Neurol 2006
  - Davis SM, et al., (EPITHET). Lancet Neurol 2008
  
- however, causes delays
  - Sheth KN et al. J Neurointervent Surg 2013

# General anaesthesia?

- cause delay

  - Menon MZ et al., Stroke 2014

- may even cause harm

  - Campbell B et al., Lancet Neurology 2018

- randomized studies needed

  - AHA Guidelines

# IV tPA ?

- Current guidelines: “Patients should receive intravenous r-tPA even if IAT is being considered.”

Powers et al., Stroke 2015 AHA Guidelines addendum 2015

- However, poor evidence → randomized trials needed !

# Management of procedural complications

(up to 15% in randomized trials)

- access-site related
  - vessel/nerve injury
  - access-site hematoma
  - groin infection
  
- device-related
  - vasospasm
  - arterial perforation, dissection, pseudoaneurysm
  - device detachment / misplacement
  - Intracerebral hemorrhage
  
- anaesthesia - / contrast agent - related

# Procedural complications

- are clinically relevant
- increase length of stay
- increase costs
- delay commencement of rehabilitation

# Complication management

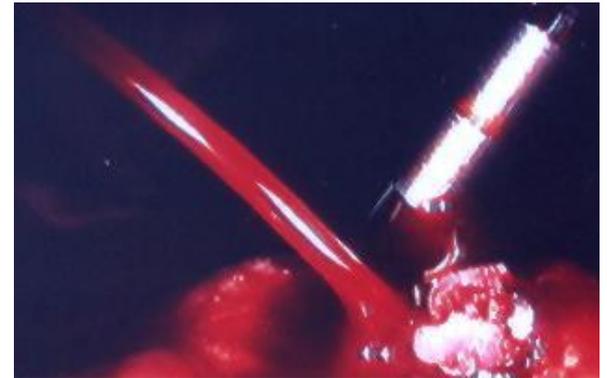
# Stroke Unit

- highly specialized
- 24/7 service
- team approach
- monitoring of physiological parameter
- **management of complications**
- interdisciplinary cooperation (*neurologists, neuro-radiologists, neurosurgeons, cardiologists, anesthesiologists, vascular surgeons...*)



# Access site complications

- 1-5% of IAT patients require blood transfusion
- 1% of IAT patients require surgery
- Risk factor: elevated age



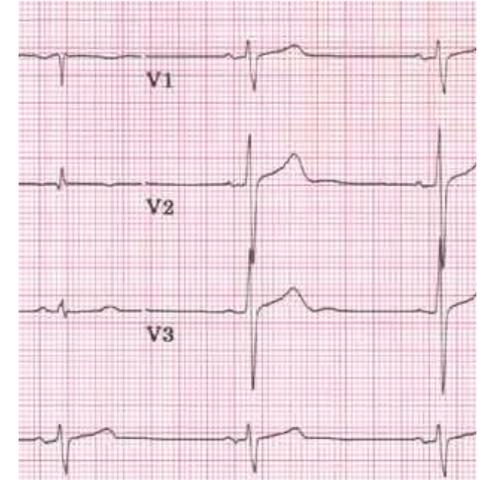
# Contrast-induced nephropathy

- Overall risk: 5%
- Long term risk for dialysis: < 1%
- Beneficial effects for
  - *Saline infusion*
  - *Isotonic bicarbonate infusion* (150 ml bicarbonate in 850 ml G5% or sterile water)
  - *Acetylcysteine ?*



# Cardiovascular complications

- Myocardial infarction
- Cardiac arrhythmia
- Hypertension/Hypotension:  
RR >180 mm Hg or <100 mmHg  
→ increased risk of poor outcome by 23%



Kocan, 1999

Johnston and Mayer, 2003

Castillo et al., 2004

# Hyperglycaemia



- Poorer outcome
- Intervention, if glucose > 180 mg%

**Table 1.**

Univariate Analyses of Sample in Terms of Survival at 30 Days

	Alive at 30 Days (n=130)	Dead Within 30 Days (n=53)	OR	P
Male, %	45	36	0.7	.31
Mean age, y (range)	75 (45-94)	81 (50-95)	...	.0008
Age >75 years, %	56	77	2.7	.01
Glycemia, mmol/L (range)	6.7 (3.3-25.2)	9.3 (5.3-23.4)	...	.0001
Glycemia >6.7 mmol/L, %	34	77	6.6	.00001
Drowsy or comatose, %	10	62	14.5	.00001
Febrile in first 7 days, %	32	70	5.0	.00001
Median MTEMP, °C	37.6	38.6	...	.0002
Onset of fever within 2 days, %	58	70	4.2	.0001

# Hyperthermia



- Increase of ICP
- Poorer outcome: (increase of relative risk by 2.2/ ° ° C:
- Interference, if  $>37.5^{\circ}$  C (paracetamol)

ESO guidelines

Greer et al., 2008  
Kammersgaard et al., 2002  
Hajat et al., 2000

# Management of brain swelling

CPP (cerebral perfusion pressure) aim: 65 - 90 mmHg  
(CPP = MAP – ICP)

- Osmotherapeutics: increase CPP and O<sub>2</sub> supply
- Deep sedation
- Decompressive craniectomy
- Hypothermia ?

Thank you !