PURE ADRENALINE

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- 2021 Guidelines

Rationale



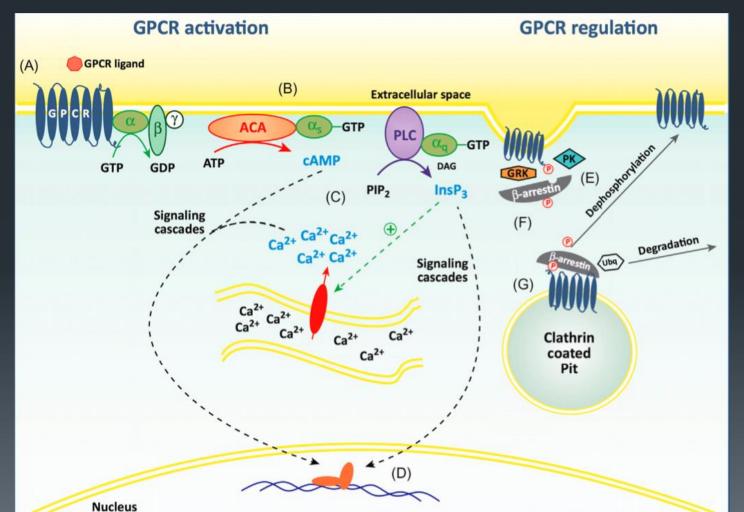
Adrenaline

Adrenaline is a powerful agonist at both α and β-adrenergic receptors
 (Ψdoses- β effects predominate)

Adrenergic receptors belong to G protein—coupled receptor (GPCR) superfamily, and are membrane receptors that activate heterotrimeric G proteins

 G proteins typically stimulate (via Gs protein) or inhibit (via Gi protein) the enzyme adenylyl-cyclase or activate (via Gq protein) phospholipase C (PLC)

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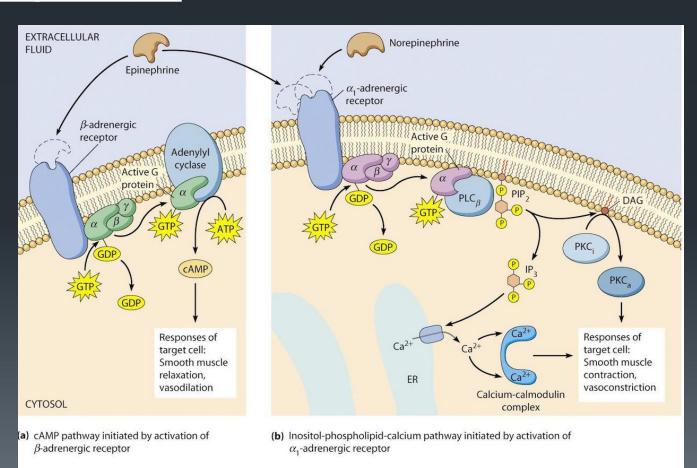
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<u>α-adrenergic receptor</u>

- Can be classified into α1 and α2
- α1-receptors are concentrated around arterial and venous trees, smooth muscles in GI and urogenital tract.
- α2-receptors are distributed both presynaptically and post-synaptically.
- Presynaptic α2 receptor inhibit secretion of noradrenaline from sympathetic neurones (also mediate hypnotic-analgesic effects)
- Postsynaptic α2 receptors are responsible for inhibition of adrenaline from adrenal medulla

Adrenaline

<u>α-adrenergic receptor</u>



Adrenaline

<u>β-adrenergic receptor</u>

- Three subtypes of β-ARs have been characterized (β1 -AR, β2 -AR, β3 -AR)
- In the healthy human heart, there is approximately a 4:1 ratio of β1 -AR to β2 -AR, with minimal expression of β3 AR
- β1-ARs are present in all cardiomyocytes, low level of expression in non-myocyte cells
- β2 -AR and β3 -AR are frequently absent in myocytes but are abundant in non- myocyte cells (relaxation of smooth muscles)

Adrenaline

β-adrenergic receptor

While all β-ARs are associated with the stimulatory G protein (G_s)
activation, it is known that β2 -AR and β3 -AR can be coupled to
inhibitory G_i protein

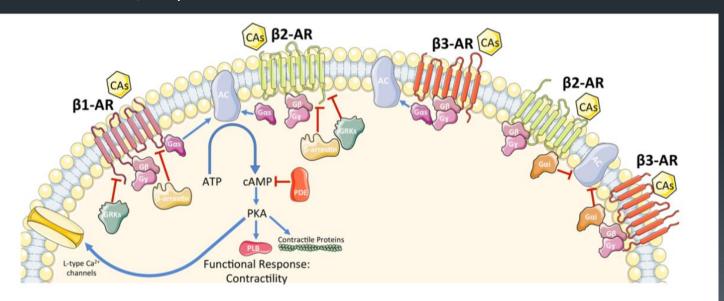


FIGURE 1 | Schematic representation of β-AR signaling in cardiomyocytes. See main text for details. CAs, catecholamines; β-AR, β-adrenergic receptor; G-protein subunits: G_{α} ($G_{\alpha S}$ or $G_{\alpha i}$), G_{β} , G_{γ} ; GRK2, G protein-coupled receptor kinase 2; AC, adenylyl cyclase; ATP, adenosine tri-phosphate; cAMP, cyclic adenosine mono-phosphate; PDE, phosphodiesterase; PKA, protein kinase A. A blue arrow is used when a stimulatory mechanism is involved while a red bar-headed line is used for an inhibitory mechanism.

Adrenaline

- After more than a few minutes of CA arterial tone collapses and a vasoconstrictor is essential
- Adrenaline augments coronary blood flow generated by chest compressions during CPR
- Coronary perfusion pressure defined as the difference between aortic diastolic blood pressure and the right atrial pressure is the major determinant of coronary blood flow.

Adrenaline

Through its action of increasing coronary and cerebral perfusion pressure, is thought to increase the chance of restoring a heartbeat (return of spontaneous circulation (ROSC)) and of improving long-term neurological outcome

Adrenaline has been included in resuscitation guidelines worldwide since the 1960s

Adrenaline

Epinephrine in cardiac resuscitation

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The acceptance of closed-chest cardiac massage as an effective measure in the treatment of cardiac arrest necessitates a re-evaluation of other measures which might also be used in this situation. Most of our information in regard to closedchest cardiac massage is based on clinical reports. It is known experimentally, however, that closed-chest cardiac massage combined with intermittent positive pressure ventilation will reoxygenate the arterial blood even when asphyxia is profound.1 This artificial circulation is much less than normal,2 and, therefore, a spontaneous circulation must be restored at the earliest possible moment.

The use of intracardiac injections of epinephrine to restore heart action has been advocated for years. There are conflicting directions as to the dosage and manner of use, and almost no data about its effectiveness. The following experiments were performed to correct this deficiency.

Methods

Seventy mongrel dogs were anesthetized with pentobarbital (25 mg. per kilogram of body weight) given intravenously. Each animal was intubated with a cuffed endotracheal tube. Aortic pressure and electrocardiogram were recorded continuously in all animals. With the animal secured in

the supine position and breathing room air, the endotracheal tube was occluded at the end of an exhalation. At first there were increasing efforts to breathe, accompanied by great fluctuations in aortic pressure. Between 2 and 4 minutes after airway obstruction the animals became apneic. Circulation then gradually deteriorated, with the development of hypotension and bradycardia. From 6 to 8 minutes after airway obstruction, fluctuations in aortic systolic blood pressure stopped in each animal. Cessation of circulation at this point had been confirmed in other experiments by the absence of measurable myocardial contractile force and by cessation of blood flow in the carotid artery.

The dogs were divided into 7 groups of 10 dogs each (see Table I). In Group 1, intermittent positive pressure ventilation with room air (25 ml. per kilogram of body weight at a rate of 20 breaths per minute) was begun when the aortic systolic pressure fell to 25 mm. Hg. In Group 2, ventilation was begun at a systolic pressure of 25 mm. Hg, and 1 ml. of 1:1000 epinephrine was injected into one of the ventricles as ventilation was begun. It made no difference in the final results whether the injection was made into the right or the left ventricle. In Group 3, ventilation of the lungs and closed-chest cardiac massage, performed by compressing the sternum

epinephrine. We find that 1 ml. of 1:1000 epinephrine is satisfactory. In some patients, two or more such doses are needed in order to obtain the desired response. As illustrated by Case 2, we have used this dose with good results even in children. In the case of very small infants, however, we have thought it prudent to use only 0.1-mg. increments.

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- Early study of 100 patients with invasive monitoring (catheterization of RA and aortic arch) during cardiac arrest recorded much ↑CPP in patients who had ROSC
- No patient with maximal CPP <15mmHg had ROSC.</p>

➤ Thus adrenaline might ↑ROSC through ↑CPP

Drawbacks



Drawbacks

Although global cerebral and coronary blood flow is increased by epinephrine, microcirculatory flow may be impaired

▶ Beta-adrenergic effects are generally undesirable for cardiac arrest patients (tachycardia, dysrhythmias, ↑myocardial O₂ demand)

Epinephrine can promote thrombogenesis and platelet activation



Animal studies

➤ Animal studies have documented **V**cerebral tissue oximetry values with epinephrine vs placebo despite ↑MAP and cerebral perfusion pressure

Resuscitation. 2016;101:77-83

Microcirculatory blood flow was evaluated with OPS imaging in 10 pigs randomized in adrenaline vs vasopressin during CPR.

Post ROSC cerebral O₂ tension and microvascular flows were lower with epinephrine while cerebral CO₂ tension was higher.

Crit Care Med. 2007;35:2145-9

DrawbacksAnimal studies

- Microcirculatory alterationswere evident in favor of placebo group

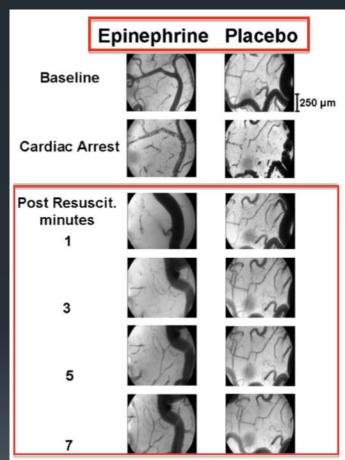
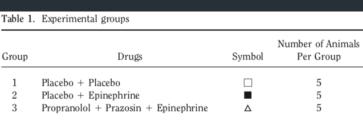


Figure 5. Cerebral cortical circulation. Microphotographs of the frontal cortex at baseline, during cardiac arrest, and following resuscitation after epinephrine and in comparison with placebo. In contrast to venules, microvessels <20 µm largely disappear after epinephrine and reappear within 5–7 minutes.

DrawbacksAnimal studies

MicrocirculatoryAlterations (MBF)



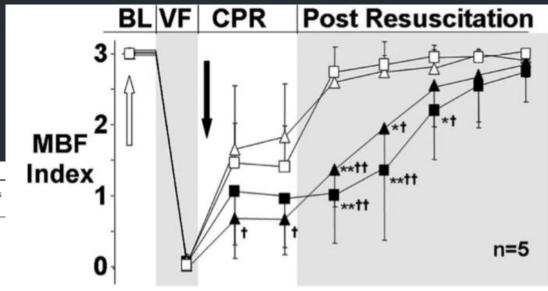


Figure 4. *Top*, Microcirculatory blood flow index (*MBF*). *Bottom*, number of capillaries during postresuscitation, assessed with orthogonal polarization spectral imaging applied to the cerebral cortical surface (mean ± SD). *BL*, baseline; *VF*,

Propranolol + Yohimbine + Epinephrine

Drawbacks

Animal studies

Lactate

	Placebo + Placebo ☐ (5)	Placebo + Epinephrine ■ (5)	Propranolol + Prazosin + Epinephrine Δ (5)	Propranolol + Yohimbine - Epinephrine ▲ (5)
Hemoglobin, g/dL				
BL	8.9 ± 1	8.8 ± 1.4	8.7 ± 1	8.8 ± 1.2
pН				
BL	7.56 ± 0.03	7.56 ± 0.01	7.56 ± 0.03	7.53 ± 0.03
PR 5 min	7.5 ± 0.06^{a}	7.41 ± 0.04	7.48 ± 0.02^{b}	7.43 ± 0.05
Arterial PO ₂ , Torr				
BL	109 ± 19	103 ± 15	101 ± 31	98 ± 4
PR 5 min	364 ± 61	353 ± 66	309 ± 65	401 ± 43
Arterial Pco ₂ , Torr				
BL	35.4 ± 5	35 ± 2	35.5 ± 4	35.4 ± 3
PR 5 min	35.2 ± 5	35.2 ± 5	35 ± 7	36.8 ± 3
Mixed venous saturation, %				
BL	84 ± 4	81 ± 8	78 ± 7	83 ± 5
PR 5 min	91 + 2	89 + A	87 + 9	89 + 6
Arterial lactate, mmol/L				
BL	1.2 ± 0.2	1.1 ± 0.4	1 ± 0.1	1.8 ± 1.7
PR 5 min	5.1 ± 1.3^{b}	8.3 ± 1.5	4.5 ± 0.7^{b}	7 ± 3.1
Arterial glucose, mg/dL				
BL	100 ± 28	88 ± 27	83 ± 18	94 ± 15
PR 5 min	250 ± 102	168 ± 99	140 ± 52	199 ± 93

 $^{^{}a}p < 0.02$ and $^{b}p < 0.01$ vs. Placebo + Epinephrine group.

Table 4. Blood gas measurements at baseline (BL) and after resuscitation (PR)

Drawbacks

Animal studies

- Microcirculatory changes in the <u>sublingual mucosa</u> were evaluated post ROSC in a separate study of 15 pigs subjected to 5' of CPR.
- Adrenaline group had reduced microcirculatory blood flow which persisted for several minutes.

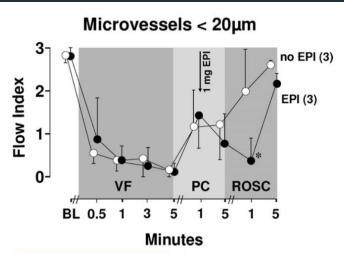


Figure 1. Progression of microvascular blood flow at baseline (BL), during ventricular fibrillation (VF) and precordial compression (PC), and after return of spontaneous circulation (ROSC) when 1 mg of epinephrine (EPI) was administered during PC. *p < .05 vs. no EPI.

Drawbacks

Human physiogical studies

An observational study of regional cerebral O₂ measured by NIRS in 36 patients with IHCA documented an ↑ rSO₂ by 1.4% during post adrenaline injection 5 min period

However the investigators noticed that rSO_2 values were actually already increasing prior to adrenaline injection (a trend not altered significantly by adrenaline, p=0.583)

Resuscitation. 2016;104:1-5

In an Oslo study of 174 patients with OHCA adrenaline the rate transition from PEA to ROSC and vise versa (ROSC to PEA or VT/VF)

Evidence



Evidence

- AHA and ERC have included the use of vasopressors in their cardiac arrest resuscitation algorithms since the inception of their guidelines
- Despite the common and widespread use of vasopressor agents during CPR, the evidence base supporting their effectiveness is still evolving

Evidence

 In a 2015 review of existing science published by the International Liaison Committee on Resuscitation (ILCOR), the administration of standard-dose epinephrine (1 mg bolus dose) during CPR was given a weak recommendation supported by only very-low quality evidence

- when standard-dose epinephrine is given during CPR for patients with non-shockable rhythms, a weak recommendation based on low-quality evidence was made to administer the epinephrine as soon as possible
- PARAMEDIC2 trial followed the ERC ALS 2015 Guidelines

Evidence

- Represents the <u>largest RCT</u> trial on epinephrine use in OHCA
- > 8014 patients were randomized either to epinephrine or placebo group
- Groups were well balanced with respect to baseline characteristics reducing the risk of bias

Evidence

PARAMEDIC2

Primary outcome

-Rate of survival at 30 days

Secondary outcomes

- -Rate of survival until hospital admission
- -LOS in the hospital and in the intensive care unit (ICU)
- -Rates of survival at hospital discharge and at 3 months
- -Neurologic outcomes at hospital discharge and at 3 months.

Evidence

- Overall survival rate in this trial was disappointingly small* (3.2% and 2.4%, respectively)
- Epinephrine robustly improved ROSC (36.3% vs. 11.7%), a finding consistent with observational studies and a previous smaller RCT (aOR, 3.4; 95% CI, 2.0 to 5.6)
- Patients who received epinephrine had a higher rate of 30-day survival than those who received placebo (aOR, 1.47; 95% CI, 1.09 to 1.97)

Evidence

- There was no significant difference between the epinephrine group and the placebo group in the proportion of patients who survived until hospital discharge with a favorable neurologic outcome* (unadjusted odds ratio, 1.18; 95% CI, 0.86 to 1.61)
- The proportion of survivors with severe neurologic impairment was actually higher in the epinephrine group (31.0% vs. 17.8%)

Evidence

- -Paramedics administered the trial agent a median of 21 minutes after the emergency call
- -The mean (±SD) total dose of epinephrine in this trial was 4.9±2.5 mg
- -No subgroup analysis examining the timing of epinephrine dosing relative to the onset of arrest.



- Models of time to drug administration showed a pattern which suggests that the relative effects of adrenaline to placebo on <u>ROSC</u> increased over time
- By contrast, the effects of adrenaline relative to placebo on <u>survival</u> and <u>favourable neurological outcomes</u> did not change over time

*examined within the group of patients whose cardiac arrest was EMS or bystander witnessed (n=4,852)

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ORIGINAL

The influence of time to adrenaline administration in the Paramedic 2 randomised controlled trial

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Abstract

Purpose: To examine the time to drug administration in patients with a witnessed cardiac arrest enrolled in the Pre-Hospital Assessment of the Role of Adrenaline: Measuring the Effectiveness of Drug Administration in Cardiac Arrest (PRAMAEDIC) randomised controlled trial.

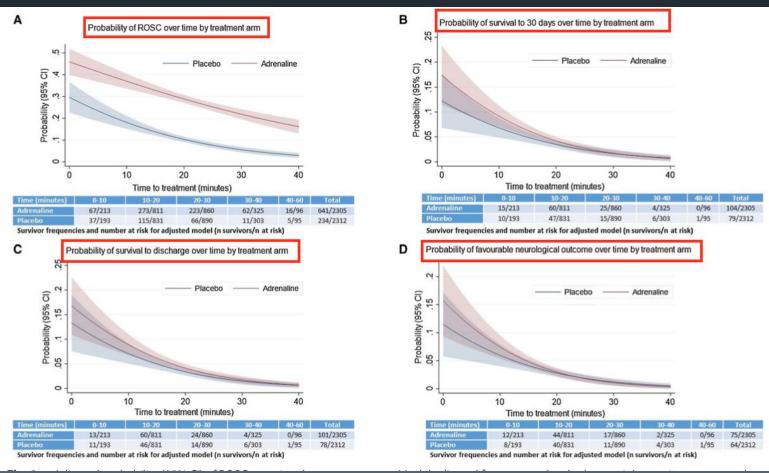
Methods: The PARAMEDIC2 trial was undertaken across 5 NHS ambulance services in England and Wales with randomisation between December 2014 and October 2017. Patients with an out-of-hospital cardiac arrest who were unresponsive to initial resuscitation attempts were randomly assigned to 1 mg intravenous adrenaline or matching placebo according to treatment packs that were identical apart from treatment number. Participants and study staff were masked to treatment allocation.

Results: 8016 patients were enrolled, 4902 sustained a witnessed cardiac arrest of whom 2437 received placebo and 2465 received adrenaline. The odds of return of spontaneous circulation decreased in both groups over time but at a greater rate in the placebo arm odds ratio (0R) 0.93 (95% CI 0.92–0.95) compared with the adrenaline arm OR 0.96 (95% CI 0.95–0.97); interaction OR: 1.03, 95% CI 1.01–1.05, p = 0.005. By contrast, although the rate of survival and favourable neurological outcome decreased as time to treatment increased, the rates did not differ between the adrenaline and placebo groups.

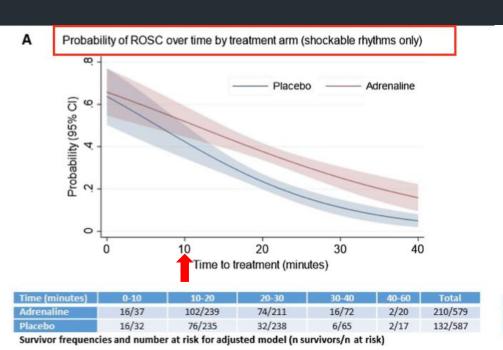
Conclusion: The rate of return of spontaneous circulation, survival and favourable neurological outcomes decrease over time. As time to drug treatment increases, adrenaline increases the chances of return of spontous circulation. Longer term outcomes were not affected by the time to adrenaline administration, (ISRCTN734985024).

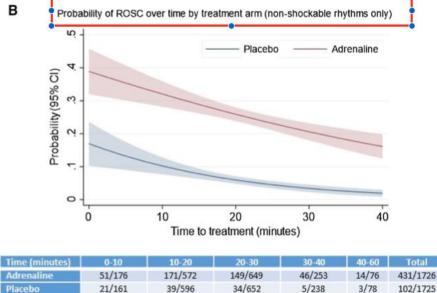
Keywords: Adrenaline, Advanced life support, Cardiac arrest, Drugs, Timing

Evidence



Evidence





Survivor frequencies and number at risk for adjusted model (n survivors/n at risk)



Evidence

-ILCOR reviewed the use of vasopressors in cardiac arrest following the publication of the PARAMEDIC2 trial





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Review

Vasopressors during adult cardiac arrest: A systematic review and meta-analysis



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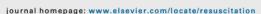
-RCTs, non-randomized controlled trials, and observational studies with a comparison group were included

-Studies comparing different doses or timing of vasopressors were also included RESUSCITATION 139 (2019) 106-121



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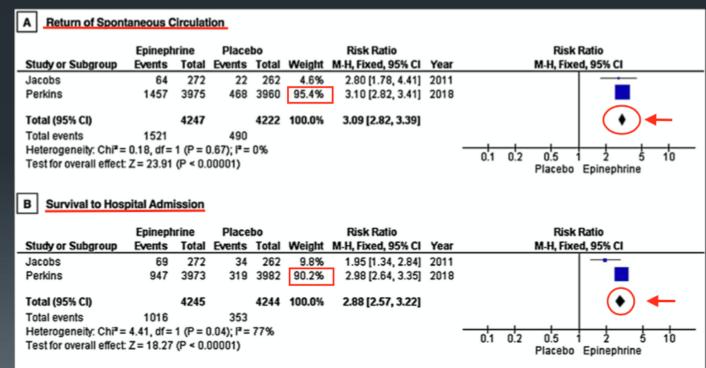
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Evidence

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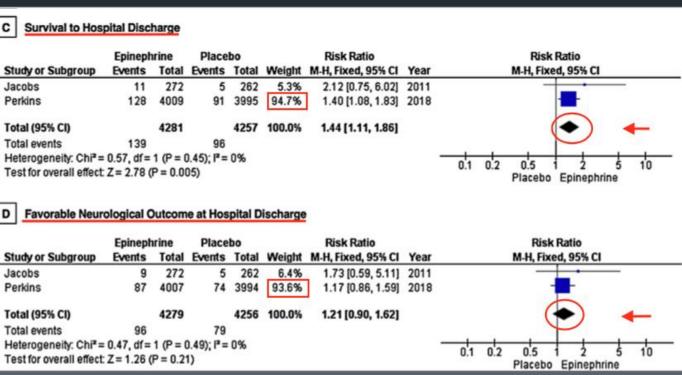
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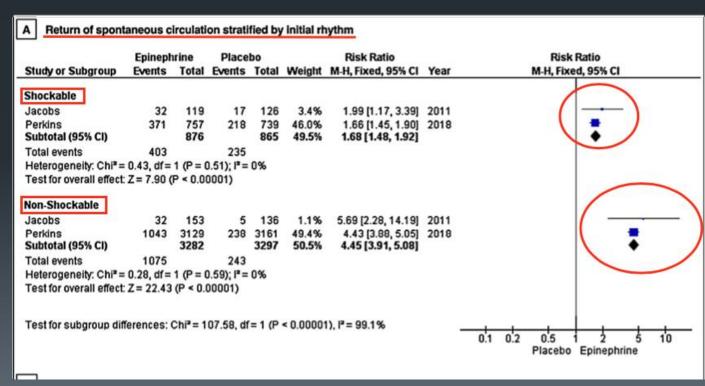


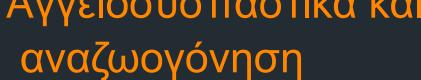
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Stratified by Initial rhythm

- 1) ROSC
- Survival to hospital discharge



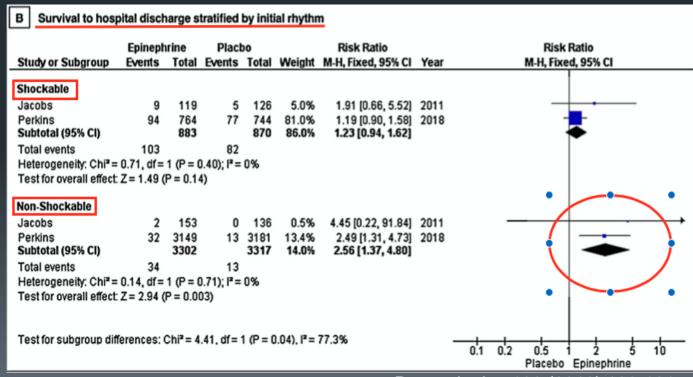


Evidence

Epinephrine vs placebo

Stratified by Initial rhythm

- 1) ROSC
- 2) Survival to hospital discharge



Evidence

- Meta-analysis of the two placebo-controlled trials (PACA and PARAMEDIC2) found that the effects of adrenaline on ROSC relative to placebo were greater for patients with an initially non-shockable rhythm than those with a shockable rhythms
- Similar patterns were observed for longer term survival and favourable neurological outcomes, although the differences in effects were less pronounced

Evidence

- ILCOR upgrading the strength of recommendation to <u>strong</u>
 <u>recommendation in favour of the use of adrenaline</u> during CPR (strong recommendation, low to moderate certainty of evidence)
- The Task Force placed a <u>very high value on the apparent life-preserving</u> <u>benefit of adrenaline</u>, even if the absolute effect size is likely to be small and the effect on survival with favourable neurological outcome is uncertain

Evidence

Epinephrine vs Vasopressin

| Nature of Spontaneous Circulation | Vasopresin | Epinephrine | Events | Total | Events |

1.05 [0.80, 1.39]

Epinephrine Vasopressin

Total (95% CI) 787 775 100.0%

Total events 212 220

Heterogeneity: Tau* = 0.03; Chi* = 4.53, df = 2 (P = 0.10); I* = 56%

Test for overall effect Z = 0.35 (P = 0.72)

B Survival to Hospital Admission

	Vasopre	essin	Epinephrine			Risk Ratio		Risk Ratio
Study or Subgroup	Events Total		Events	Total	Weight	M-H, Random, 95% CI	Year	M-H, Random, 95% CI
Lindner	14	20	7	20	18.9%	2.00 [1.03, 3.88]	1997	
Wenzel	214	589	186	597	51.5%	1.17 [0.99, 1.37]	2004	-
Mukoyama	30	178	32	158	29.6%	0.83 [0.53, 1.30]	2009	
Total (95% CI)		787		775	100.0%	1.17 [0.82, 1.66]		◆ ←
Total events	258		225			1000 1000 10		
Heterogeneity: Tau*:	= 0.06; Chi	= 4.72	df = 2 (P	= 0.09)	I*= 58%			01 02 05 1 2 5 10
Test for overall effect	Z = 0.87 (0.1 0.2 0.5 1 2 5 10 Epinephrine Vasopressin					

C Survival to Hospital Discharge

	Vasopre	Epineph	rine		Risk Ratio		Risk Ratio	
Study or Subgroup	Events Total		Events	Total	Weight	M-H, Random, 95% CI	Year	M-H, Random, 95% CI
Lindner	8	20	3	20	15.3%	2.67 [0.82, 8.62]	1997	
Wenzel	57	578	58	588	64.6%	1.00 [0.71, 1.41]	2004	-
Mukoyama	10	178	6	158	20.1%	1.48 [0.55, 3.98]	2009	
Total (95% CI)		776		766	100.0%	1.26 [0.76, 2.07]		*
Total events	75		67					
Heterogeneity: Tau* = 0.07; Chi* = 2.82, df = 2 (P = 0.24); I* = 29%								
Test for overall effect: Z = 0.89 (P = 0.37)								0.1 0.2 0.5 1 2 5 10 Epinephrine Vasopressin

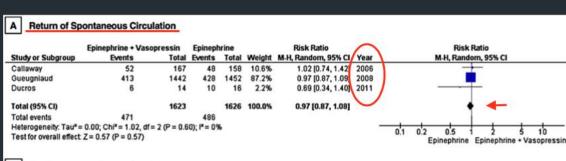
D Favorable Neurological Outcome at Hospital Discharge

Vasopressin		Epinephrine			Risk Ratio			Risk	Ratio		
Events	Total	Events	Total	Weight	M-H, Fixed, 95% CI	Year		M-H, Fixe	d, 95% CI	1	
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32		34									
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Epinephrine vsVasopressin and Epinephrine



B Survival to Hospital Admission

	Epinephrine + Vasor	Epineph	ırine	Risk Ratio			Risk Ratio						
Study or Subgroup	Events To		Events	nts Total	Weight	M-H, Random, 95% CI	Year	M-H, Random, 95% CI					
Callaway	31	167	37	158	9.7%	0.79 [0.52, 1.21]	2006						
Gueugnlaud	299	1442	310	1452	87.9%	0.97 [0.84, 1.12]	2008						
Ducros	5	14	8	16	2.4%	0.71 [0.30, 1.68]	2011	 					
Total (95% CI)		1623		1626	100.0%	0.95 [0.83, 1.08]		♦ ←					
Total events	335		355					20 NO 20					
Heterogeneity: Tau* =	= 0.00; Chi* = 1.21, df =	2 (P = 0.5	5); 1" = 09	6				04 00 05 4 4 10					
Test for overall effect	Z = 0.83 (P = 0.40)							0.1 0.2 0.5 1 2 5 10 Epinephrine Epinephrine + Vasopressin					

C Survival to Hospital Discharge

	Epinepinine + vas	Epinepi	mme		rask reallo				Lazk	reatio					
Study or Subgroup	Events	Total	Events	Total	Weight	M-H, Random, 95% CI	Year			M-H, Rand	lom, 9	5% CI			
Callaway	5	167	4	158	13.5%	1.18 [0.32, 4.32]	2006								
Gueugniaud	24	1439	33	1448	83.9%	0.73 [0.43, 1.23]	2008			_	+				
Ducros	0	14	2	16	2.6%	0.23 [0.01, 4.36]	2011	•	-		-				
Total (95% CI)		1620		1622	100.0%	0.76 [0.47, 1.22]				•	+	-			
Total events	29		39												
	= 0.00; Chi ² = 1.11, df	= 2 (P = 0.5)	(7); P= 09	6				0,1	0,2	0.5	+	+	+	10	_
Test for overall effect	t Z= 1.14 (P = 0.25)							0.1	E	pinephrine	Epin	ephrine	+ Va	sopre	ssi
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Questions (timing, dose)



Questions (dose)

High-dose epinephrine (>0.2mg/kg) vs Standard dose (1mg)

- Reviewed in detail by the previous ILCOR-commissioned systematic review and no new studies since that review were identified
- 1) We suggest against the routine use of HDE in cardiac arrest (weak recommendation, low-quality evidence)
- 2) HDE improves <u>short-term outcomes</u> but note that the low-quality evidence failed to show an improvement in the critical outcomes of survival and neurologic outcome

These HDE studies were published in the 1990s*

- Questions (dose)
- A retrospective review of 3151 OHCA patients receiving one or more doses of adrenaline during CPR.
- A significant inverse relationship was found between increasing cumulative doses of adrenaline and survival both to hospital discharge and one year post-arrest
- No survivors amongst patients requiring more than 10 doses of adrenaline

Questions (dose)

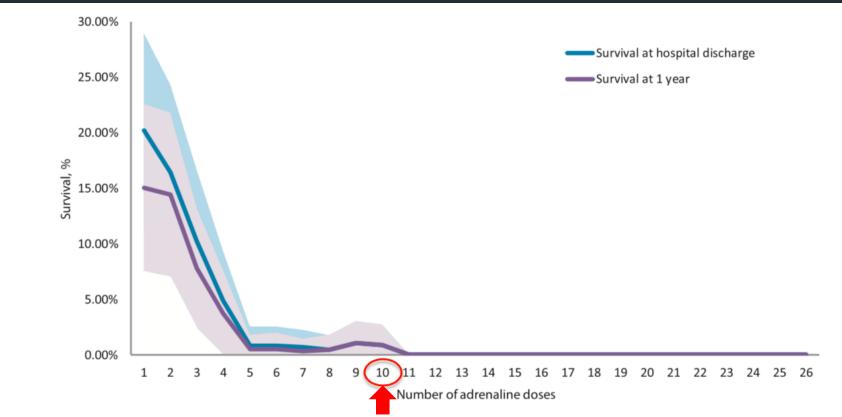


Fig. 2 – Relationship between the number of adrenaline doses and percentage survival to hospital discharge and survival to 1-year post-arrest. Shaded regions represent 95% confidence interval. 33 unknown outcomes were excluded from analysis.

Questions (timing)

- In terms of timing of epinephrine administration, we identified 16 observational studies
- All of these studies found higher rates of ROSC when epinephrine was administered early, although the <u>critical risk of bias</u> across all studies again limits interpretation of these results.
- Differences in survival to hospital discharge and favorable neurologic outcome were additionally limited by <u>very low event rates</u> and <u>inconsistent results between studies</u>

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Abstract

These European Resuscitation Council Advanced Life Support guidelines, are based on the 2020 International Consensus on Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Science with Treatment Recommendations. This section provides guidelines on the prevention of and ALS treatments for both in-hospital cardiac arrest and out-of-hospital cardiac arrest.

- 2021 Guidelines
- Vascular access
- Attempt IV access first to enable drug delivery in adults in cardiac arrest
- ii. Consider intraosseous access if attempts at IV access are unsuccessful or not feasible

- 2021 Guidelines
- Vasopressor drugs
- I. Give adrenaline 1 mg IV (IO) as soon as possible for adult patients in cardiac arrest with a non-shockable rhythm
- II. Give adrenaline 1 mg IV (IO) after the 3rd* shock for adult patients in cardiac arrest with a shockable rhythm
- III. Repeat adrenaline 1 mg IV (IO) every 3-5 min whilst ALS continues

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- High-quality chest compression with minimal interruption, early defibrillation, and treatment of reversible causes remain the priority
- 2. Premonitory signs and symptoms often occur before cardiac arrest in- or out-of-hospital cardiac arrest is preventable in many patients
- 3. Use a basic or advanced airway technique only rescuers with a high success rate should use tracheal intubation
- 4. Use adrenaline early for non-shockable cardiac arrest
- 5. In select patients, if feasible, consider extracorporeal CPR (eCPR) as a rescue therapy when conventional ALS is failing

