

# *Gestione delle Vie Aeree*

*Cosa ci ha insegnato la pandemia da Covid-19 ?*



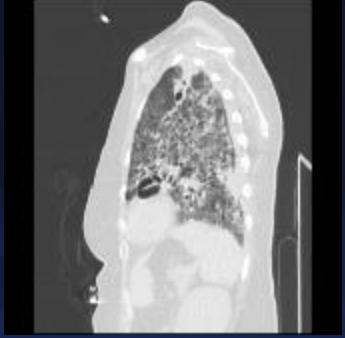
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**Tecniche, pianificazioni,  
percorsi**

**L'esperienza di due ospedali  
al centro dell'emergenza**

*U.O. Anestesia e Rianimazione  
ASST Crema – Ospedale Maggiore*



# Covid-19 Emergency Background

Severe hypoxemic respiratory failure

Very high number of acute patients

Limited structural and medical resources

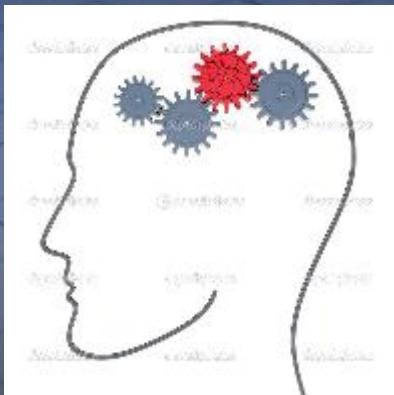
Need for new therapy protocols and strategic approach

High risk of spread of the infection among staff





“Hypoxia not only stops the machine,  
it wrecks the machinery”



*Attributed to J.S.Haldane, 1921*



	Nuovi ricoveri	Deceduti	Dimessi
	TOT	TOT	TOT
<b>Totale da febbraio 2020</b>	12430	4677	7327
<b>1° ondata: da febbraio 2020 al 30 giugno 2020</b>	4615	1941	2637
<b>2° ondata: dal 1 agosto 2020 al 31 gennaio 2021</b>	3890	1344	2070
<b>3° ondata: dal 1 febbraio 2021 ad oggi</b>	3925	1392	2620
<b>Dal 1° giugno 2021</b>	243	81	254
<b>ultima settimana</b>	25	7	10
<b>da ieri alle ore 00.00</b>	3	0	1

deceduti/(deceduti+dimessi), %	
<b>Totale da febbraio 2020</b>	39.0
<b>1° ondata: da febbraio 2020 al 30 giugno 2020</b>	42.4
<b>2° ondata: dal 1 agosto 2020 al 31 gennaio 2021</b>	39.4
<b>3° ondata: dal 1 febbraio 2021 ad oggi</b>	34.7

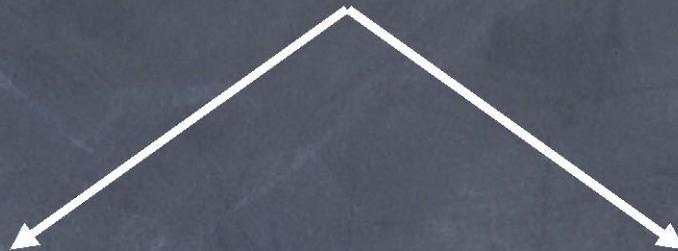
The extent of the problem

Probably the biggest challenge of airway management in ICU patients remains the

## UNDERLYING PATHOPHYSIOLOGY



**Adverse impact on airway management**



**Adversely affected by airway management**

No more

**ANATOMICALLY DIFFICULT AIRWAY**

But

**PHYSIOLGICALLY DIFFICULT AIRWAY**

# High Risk Airway Management



The Royal College  
of Anaesthetists



The Difficult  
Airway Society



4th National Audit Project  
The Royal College of Anaesthetists

## Major complications of airway management in the United Kingdom

Report and findings  
March 2011

British Journal of Anaesthesia 106 (5): 617-31 (2011)  
Advance Access publication 29 March 2011 - doi:10.1093/bja/aer058

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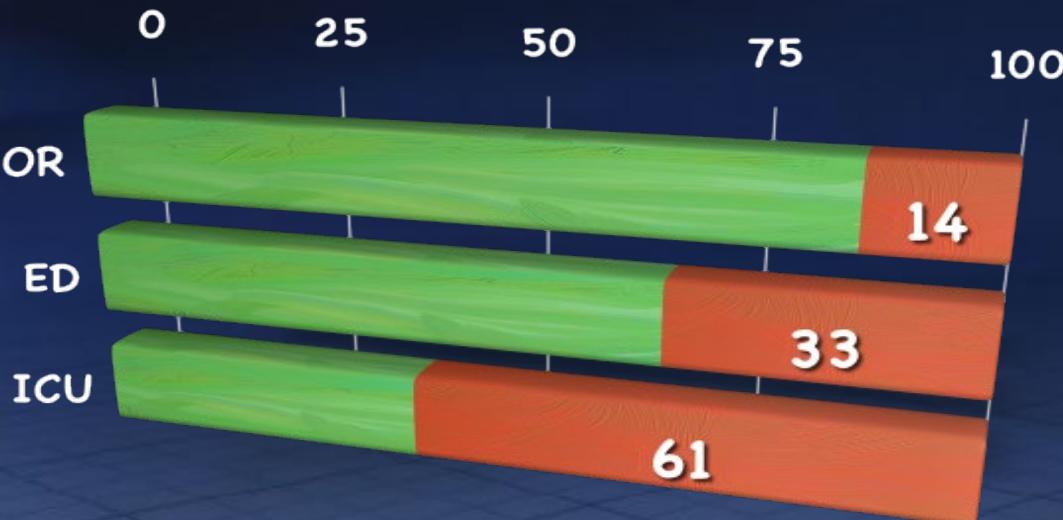
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	Total	Anaesthesia	Emergency Dpt	ICU
Critical Airway Events	184	133	15	36
	1:22000	1:1300	1:1600	
Death/Brain Damage	46	19	5	22
	1:153000	1:4000	1:2600	

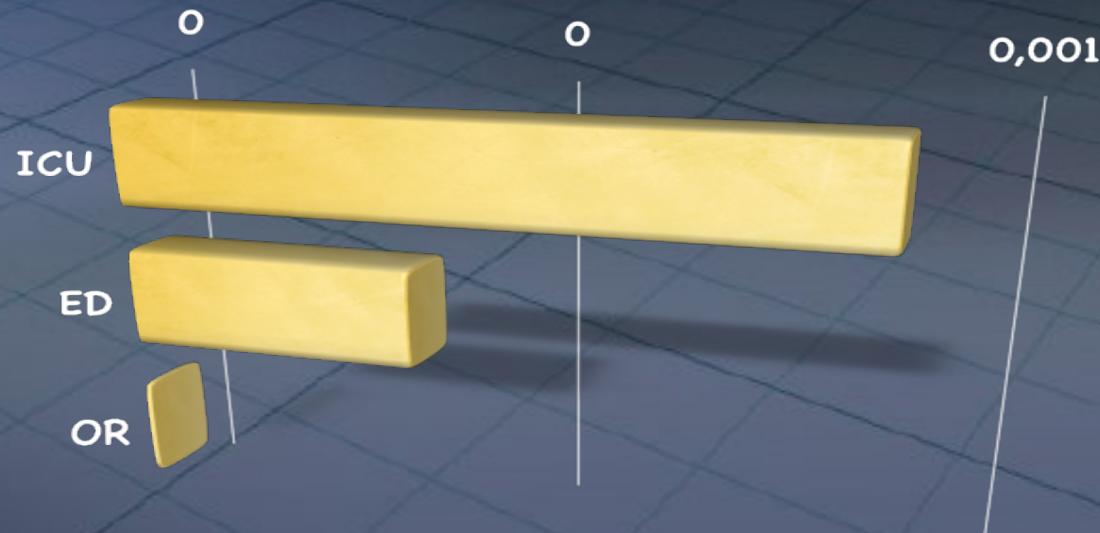
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If corrected on same number of cases, highest mortality/morbidity was observed in ICU>ED>OR

■ % no D/BD ■ % D/BD

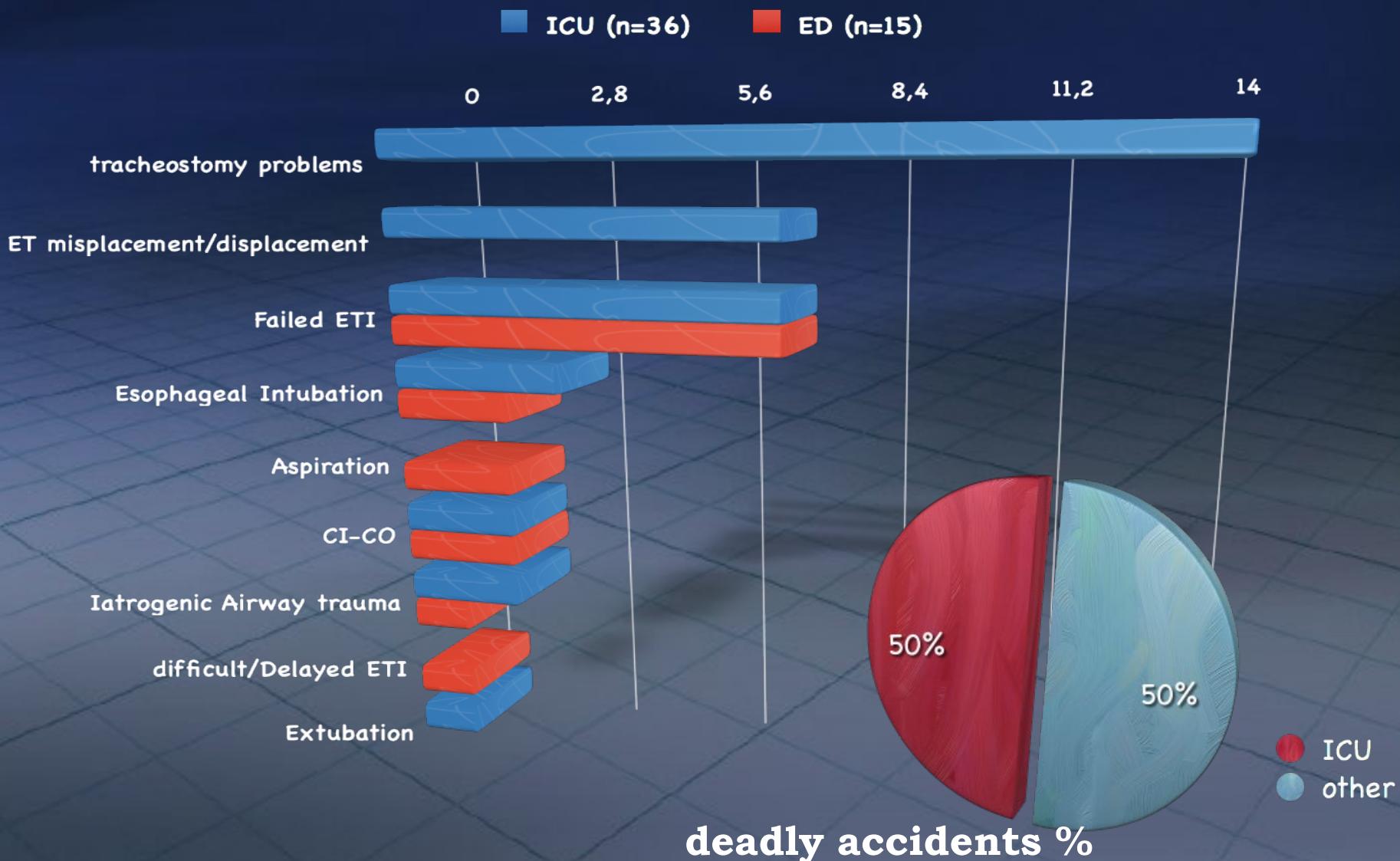
If corrected per number of cases, highest number of critical accidents was observed in ICU>ED>OR



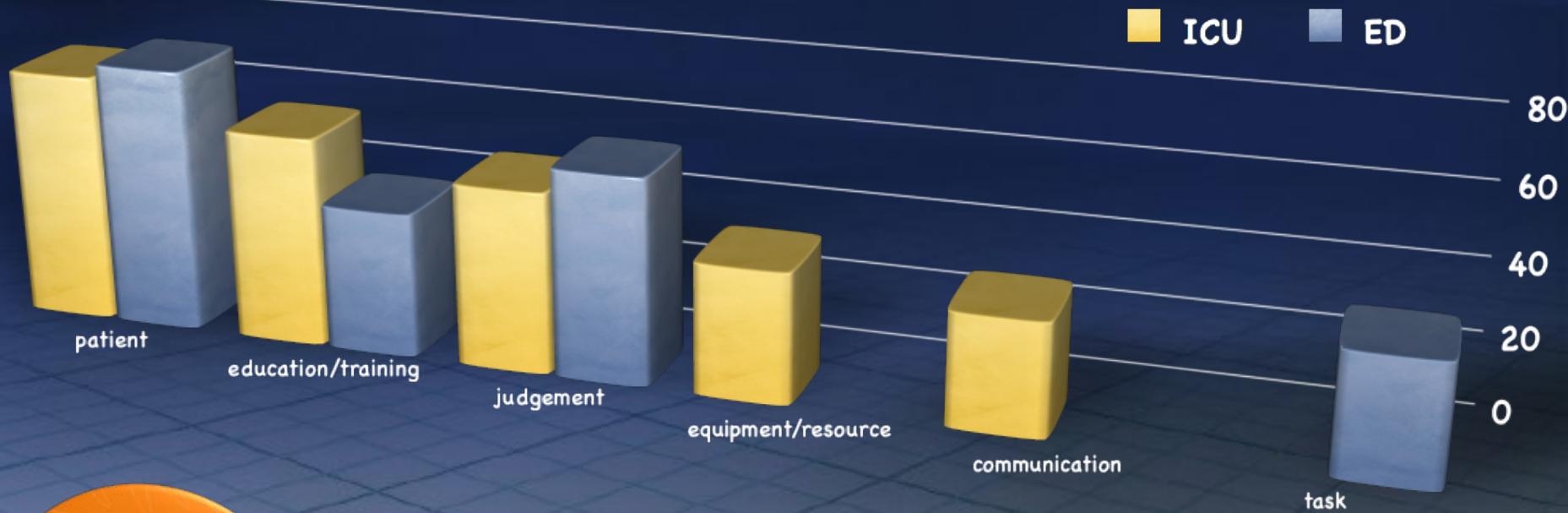
■ #events/#cases



## Events in ICU and ED



# *Factors contributing to cause events*



52

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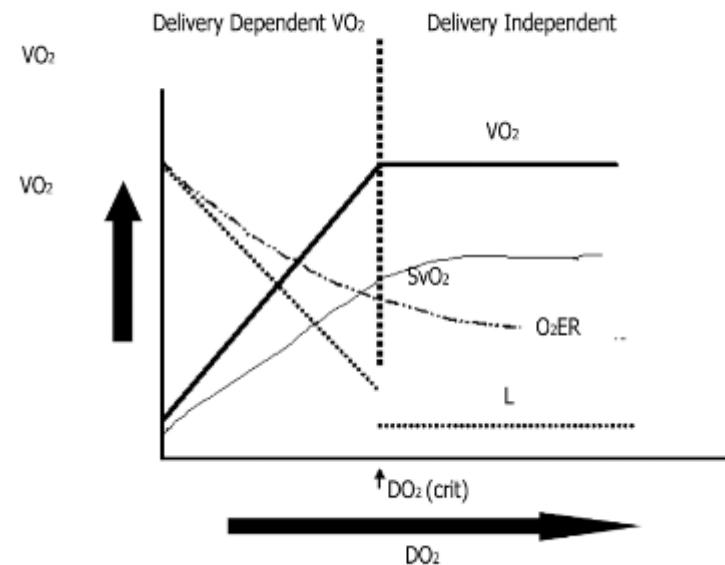
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*Quality of airway management conduct*

● good   ● mixed   ● poor

# *Critical Care Patients*

- Impairment in the balance  $\text{DO}_2/\text{VO}_2$
- Impairment in the balance  $\text{VO}_2/\text{O}_2$  reserve
- Low tolerance to hypoxemia
- Underlying pathologies
- Complex medications
- Comorbidities



# *Airway Management in Critical Care Patients*

## *Time-limited:*

Tolerance of absolute or relative hypoxemia

Time of airway management (worsening hypoxemia)

## *Difficulty-limited:*

Higher difficulties due to underlying pathologies

Patients anatomic and anthropometric characters

Difficult proper airway evaluation

Poor resources

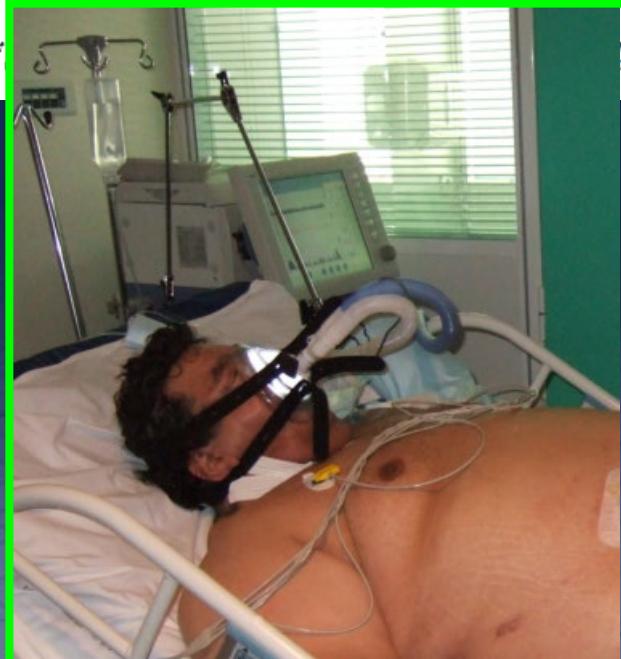


# *Which are the strategies to treat or to prevent severe hypoxemia ?*

- Preoxygenation
- Sustaining DO<sub>2</sub> determinants
- Identifying “at risk” patients
- Senior physician attending (competence in DAM)
- Available equipment and resources
- Control and monitoring
- Dedicated devices
- Plans and strategies
- Education - Training and simulation

AIRWAY/REVIEW ARTICLE

## Preoxygenation and Prevention of Desaturation During Emergency Airway Management



From the Division of  
Emergency Medicine, New York, NY (Weingart); and  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (Kaufman).

### Causes of < DAWD

- Hearth and lung atologies
- Increased oxygen consumption
- Reduced cardiac output
- Reduced respiratory volumes
- Ventilation/Perfusion mismatch
- Airways obstruction
- Respiratory depression
- Anemia
- Trauma
- Pain
- Hypermetabolism
- Emergency

### Tecnicas de preoxigenación

- Positioning (according to patient conditions)
- High flows of O<sub>2</sub> (not rebreathing)
- Application of CPAP / NIV (PS+PEEP)
- Hemodynamic and volume support
- Proper evaluation of difficulties (ventilation / intubation)
- Monitoring

# Preoxygenation: physiology

Can J Anesth/J Can Anesth (2009) 56:449–466  
DOI 10.1007/s12630-009-9084-z

## CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### Optimizing preoxygenation in adults

Issam Tanoubi, MD · Pierre Drolet, MD ·  
François Donati, MD, PhD

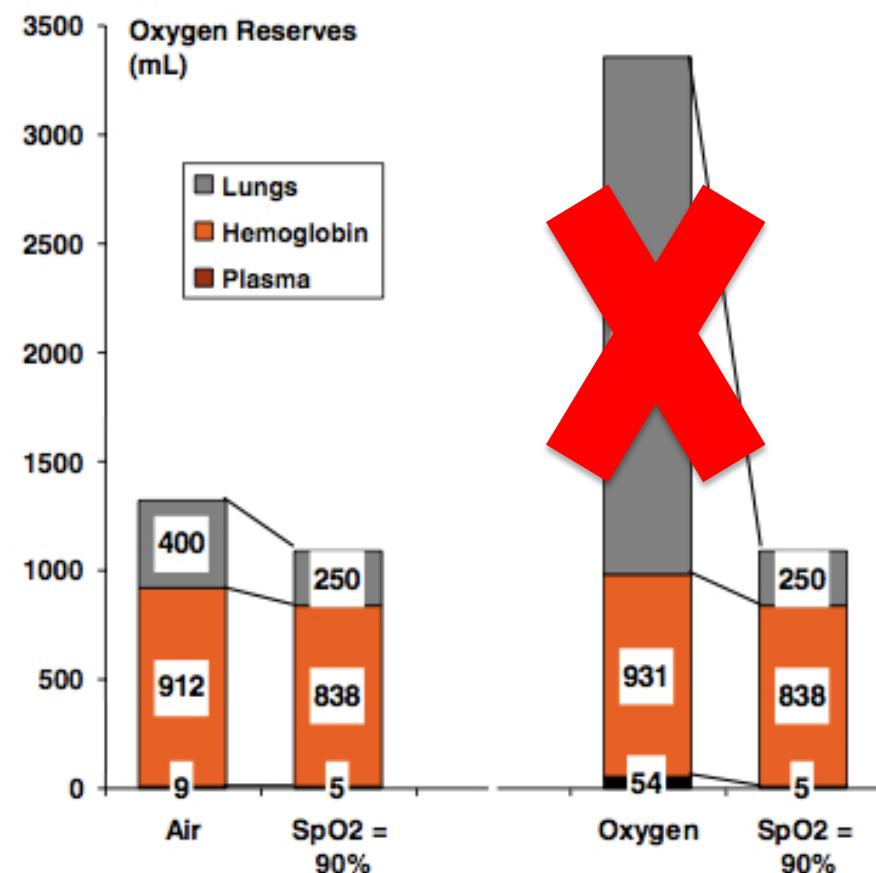
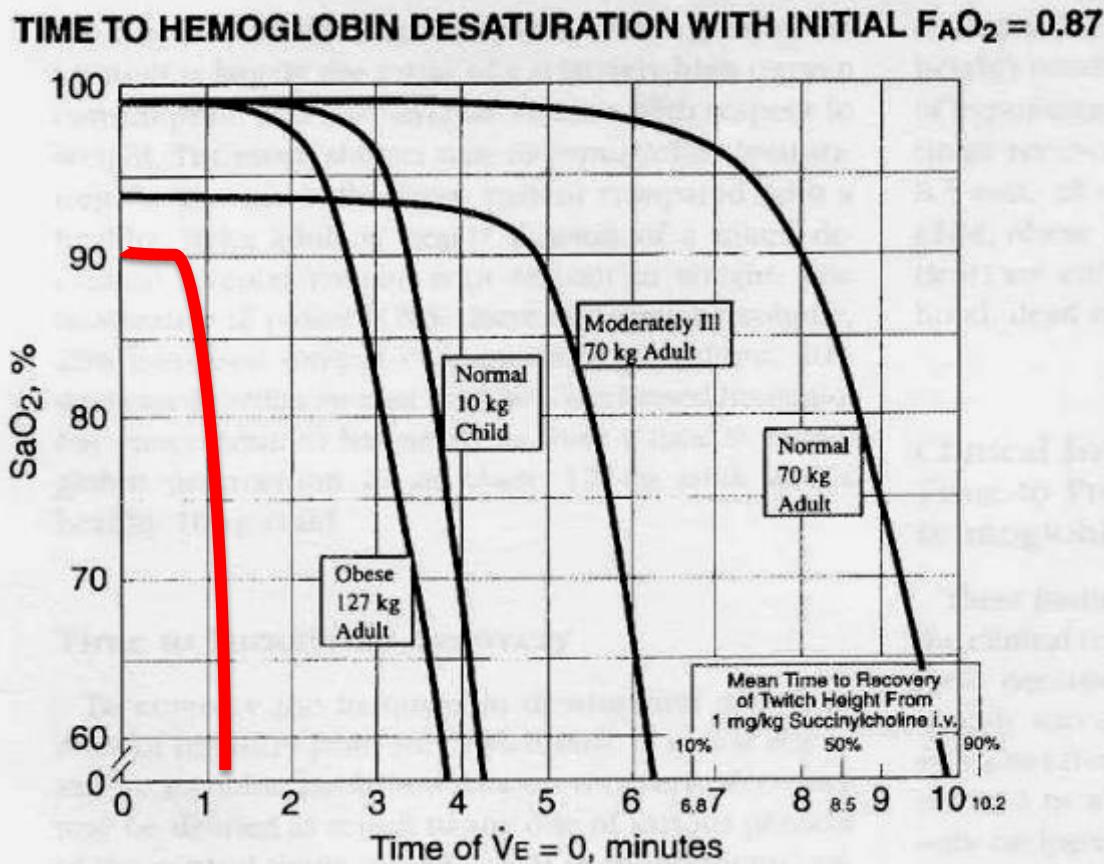


Table 1 Typical examples of duration of apnea without desaturation (DAWD) in different patients

	FRC (mL)	F <sub>EO<sub>2</sub></sub> after preoxygenation	F <sub>EO<sub>2</sub></sub> at SpO <sub>2</sub> = 90%	O <sub>2</sub> consumption (mL · min <sup>-1</sup> )	DAWD (min)
No preoxygenation	2500	16	10	250	0.6
Normal preoxygenation	2500	90	10	250	8.0
Poor preoxygenation	2500	60	10	250	5.0
Obese	1250	90	10	350	2.9
Obese head-up	1500	90	10	350	3.4
Pregnant	1000	90	10	400	2.0
Elderly	2250	90	10	200	9.0

Examples only. Actual values may vary. The DAWD is calculated as FRC (F<sub>EO<sub>2</sub></sub> – F<sub>EO<sub>2</sub></sub> at SpO<sub>2</sub> = 90%)/O<sub>2</sub> consumption

# Desaturation during apnea



Anesthesiology  
1997; 87:979-82  
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**Critical Hemoglobin Desaturation Will Occur before Return to an Unparalyzed State following 1 mg/kg Intravenous Succinylcholine**

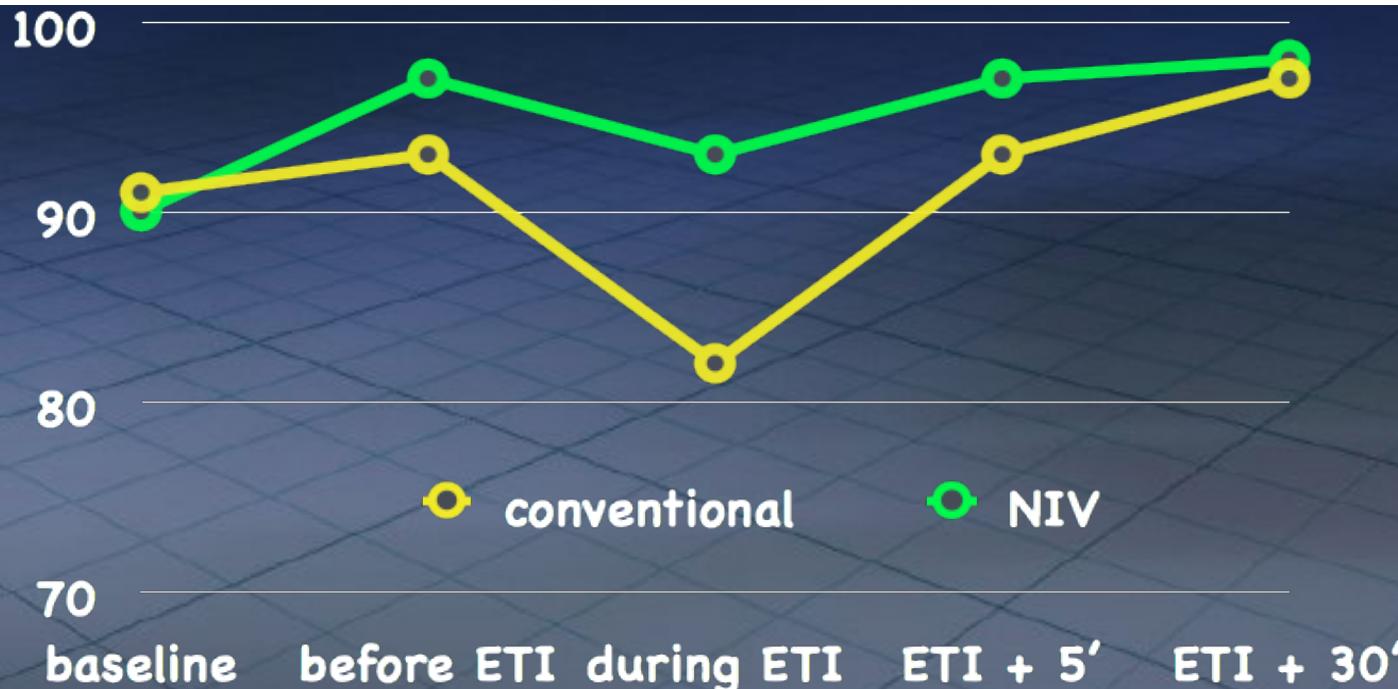
Jonathan L. Benumof, M.D., \* Rachel Dagg, M.S., † Reuben Benumof, Ph.D. ‡

# *Preoxygenation*

Am J Respir Crit Care Med Vol 174, pp 171-177, 2006

## **Noninvasive Ventilation Improves Preoxygenation before Intubation of Hypoxic Patients**

Christophe Baillard, Jean-Philippe Fosse, Mustapha Sebbane, Gérald Chanques, François Vincent, Patricia Courouble, Yves Cohen, Jean-Jacques Eledjam, Frédéric Adnet, and Samir Jaber



**Conclusion:** For the intubation of hypoxic patients, preoxygenation using NIV is more effective at reducing arterial oxyhemoglobin desaturation than the usual method.

# *Which are the strategies to treat or to prevent severe hypoxemia ?*

Preoxygenation

Sustaining DO<sub>2</sub> determinants

Identifying “at risk” patients

Senior physician attending

Available equipment

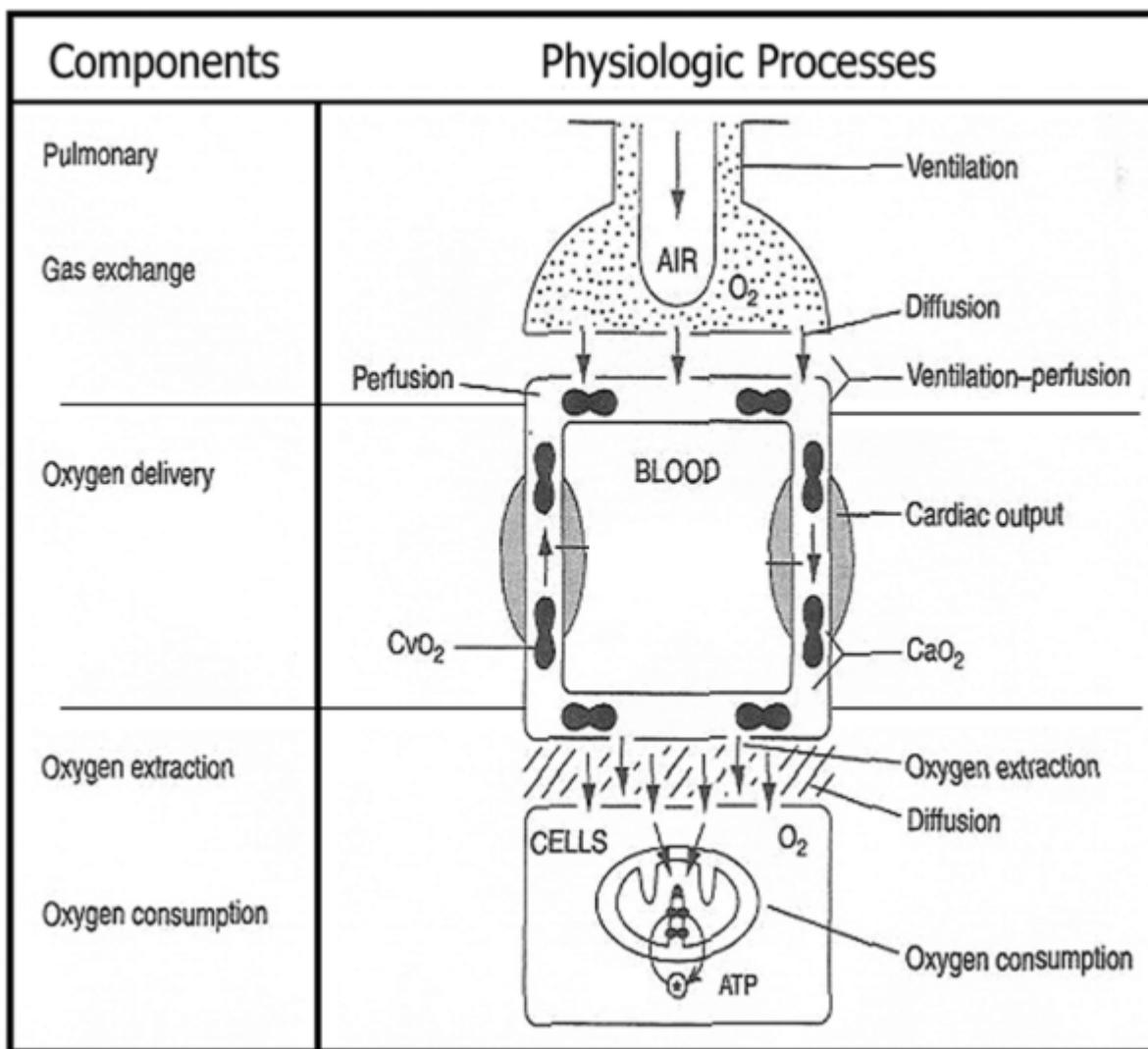
Control and monitoring

New and advanced devices

Plans and strategies

Education - Training and simulation

# Oxygenation physiology



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## An intervention to decrease complications related to endotracheal intubation in the intensive care unit: a prospective, multiple-center study

### *Pre-procedure*

1. Presence of two operators
3. Preparation of long-term sedation
2. Fluid loading
4. Preoxygenation with NIPPV

### *During procedure*

5. Anesthetic drugs

#### Hypnotics

Etomidate

Ketamine

Others hypnotics

#### Muscle relaxants

Succinylcholine

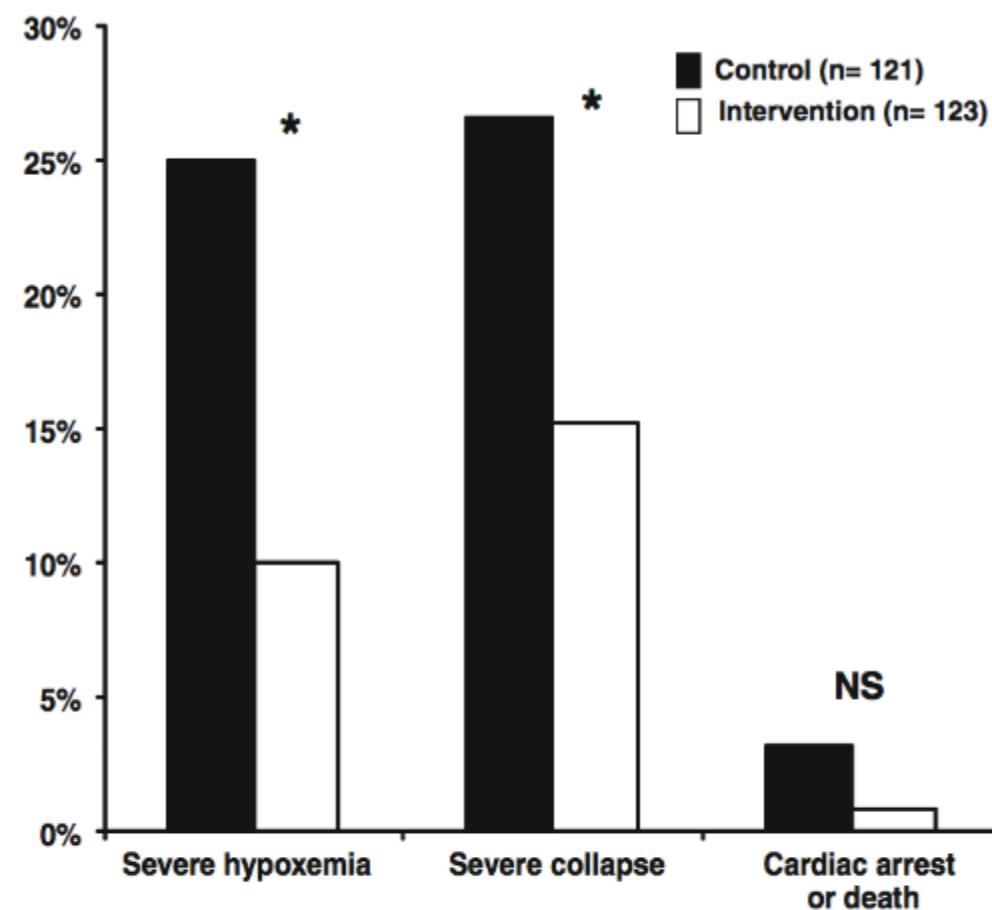
Other muscle relaxant

6. Sellick maneuver

### *Post-procedure*

7. Capnography use
8. Early vasopressives drugs
9. Initiation of long-term sedation
10. Initial “protective ventilation”

## Execution of 10 “bundles”



**Fig. 1** Life-threatening complications occurring after all intubations performed during the control ( $n = 121$ ) and the intervention ( $n = 123$ ) phases. \* $p < 0.05$  versus control phase. NS not significant

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In conclusion, we showed that a ten-point care bundle management of intubation in the ICU, including fluid loading, preoxygenation with non invasive positive pressure ventilation, rapid sequence induction and capnography to check the endotracheal tube position, decreased the rate of severe hypoxemia and hemodynamic collapse occurring within the first hour following intubation. Future studies should, however, investigate whether a decrease in immediate life-threatening complications can lead to the improvement of outcomes upon ICU discharge.

# Knowing and assessing the devices

J Anesth (2010) 24:811–814  
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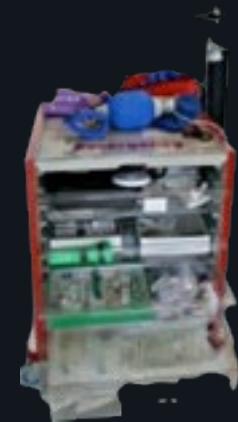
SHORT COMMUNICATION

## National survey to assess the content and availability of difficult-airway carts in critical-care units in the United States

Jahan Porhomayon · Ali A. El-Sohb ·  
Nader D. Nader

Creation of dedicated “difficult airway trolley” in ICU

Checklist of drug and equipment



# **Decision Support for the Capacity Management of Bronchoscopy Devices: Optimizing the Cost-Efficient Mix of Reusable and Single-Use Devices Through Mathematical Modeling**

Günther M. Edenthaler, MD,\* Daniel Gartner, MS,† and Dominik Pförringer, MD‡

(Anesth Analg 2017;XXX:00–00)

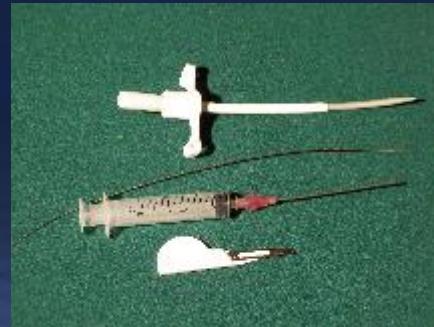
## **CONCLUSIONS**

The underlying study compares costs and availability of 2 entirely different bronchoscopic device systems. Procurement and reprocessing costs as well as uncertain demand are taken into account. It is shown that the purchase of a mix of disposable and reusable devices can pose a cost-efficient and demand-satisfying solution. Future research will consider the operational decision level allowing for intraday demand variation.

# Single use devices

## Rescue devices

### Rescue techniques



# Original Article

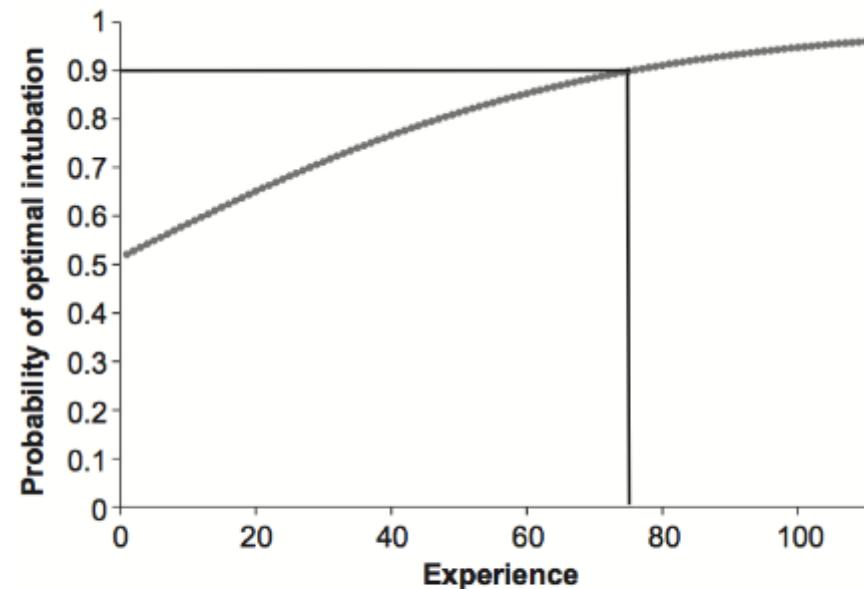
## Defining and developing expertise in tracheal intubation using a GlideScope® for anaesthetists with expertise in Macintosh direct laryngoscopy: an in-vivo longitudinal study

P. Cortellazzi,<sup>1</sup> D. Caldiroli,<sup>1,2</sup> A. Byrne,<sup>3</sup> A. Sommariva,<sup>1</sup> E. F. Orena<sup>4</sup> and I. Tramacere<sup>5</sup>

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Achieving skill and expertise  
is necessary for the prudent  
and safe use of any device



**Figure 1** The probability of optimal intubation predicted by mixed-effects logistic regression model.

# Monitoring - Capnography



### ORIGINAL ARTICLE

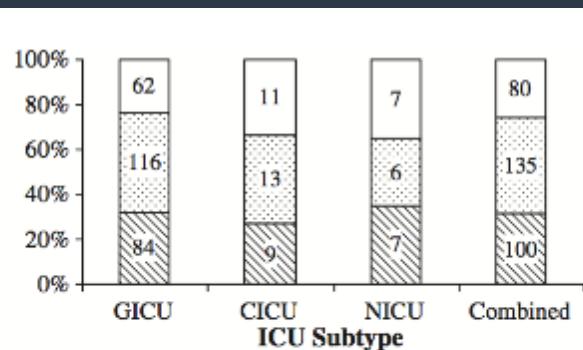
## The use of capnography and the availability of airway equipment on Intensive Care Units in the UK and the Republic of Ireland\*

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### ETCO<sub>2</sub> for intubation



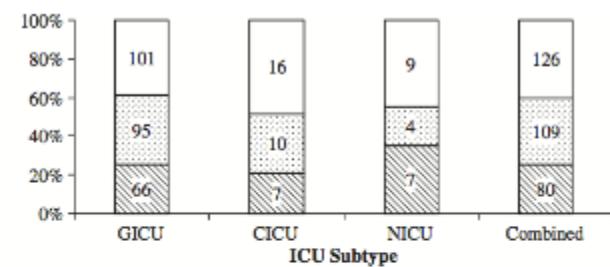
**Figure 1** Percentage of ICUs in the UK and Republic of Ireland using capnography for intubation (□: never; ▨: sometimes; ■, always). Units are subdivided into: general, satellite and hepatobiliary (GICU); cardiac (CICU); and neuro (NICU). Figures within the columns indicate the actual number of units.

### ETCO<sub>2</sub> for ventilation

*always*  
32% 25%

*sometimes*  
43% 35%

*never*  
25% 40%



**Figure 2** Percentage of ICUs in the UK and Republic of Ireland using capnography for continuous monitoring of ventilated patients from the time of intubation through to the time of extubation (□: never; ▨: sometimes; ■, always). Units are subdivided into: general, satellite and hepatobiliary (GICU); cardiac (CICU); and neuro (NICU). Figures within the columns indicate the actual number of units.



## Standards for Capnography in Critical Care

STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES

# Capnography

## Standards for Capnography in Critical Care

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### Recommendations

*1. Capnography should be used for all critically ill patients during the procedures of tracheostomy or endotracheal intubation when performed in the intensive care unit.*

Grade of recommendation: **Strong**

Based on:

A moderate level of evidence.

Advantages and disadvantages: Capnography reduces the risk of death and major disability as a result of airway misadventure. Capnography clearly does not remove the risk and, if incorrectly used, may contribute to the risk. The risk is relatively small for each patient but the negative outcomes would be catastrophic for the patient and relatives. For staff, there are additional major advantages in reducing the potential for a major complication associated with an intervention rather than an underlying disease process.

Values and preferences: The lack of other major or minor side effects of the intervention makes it likely that patients would express a strong preference for the intervention.

Economic evaluation: There has been no economic evaluation of the introduction of capnography.

*2. Capnography should be used in all critically ill patients during mechanical ventilation in the ICU.*

Grade of recommendation: We are unable to make a recommendation.

Based on:

We have not made a recommendation due to the lack of direct evidence that continuous capnography reduced the chances of catastrophic harm occurring due to an airway misadventure during routine mechanical ventilation. This clearly indicates an area for further study.

*3. Capnography should be used in all critically ill patients who require mechanical ventilation during inter-hospital or intra-hospital transfer.*

Grade of recommendation: **Strong**

Based on:

The level of recommendation has been upgraded to strong based on the increased chances of airway misadventure during transfer and the difficulties associated with the diagnosis of tube misplacement in difficult clinical environments.

# Plans and Strategies

Regional Level

Coordinamento delle Terapie Intensive Lombarde

Hospital Level

Unità di Crisi Ospedaliera

ICU Level

Responsabili Unità di Terapie Intensiva

Condivisione protocolli all'interno dell'U.O.

Condivisione/comunicazione con altre U.O.

Coordinamento centralizzato di circa 60 ospedali regionali

Gestione di oltre 12000 pazienti durante le tre fasi

Sistema informatizzato visibile in tempo reale

Riunioni e aggiornamenti anche quotidiani

Condivisione di procedure e protocolli

Analisi comune di problemi clinici ed organizzativi

Comunicazione diretta con la dirigenza regionale

Clima di aperta comunicazione

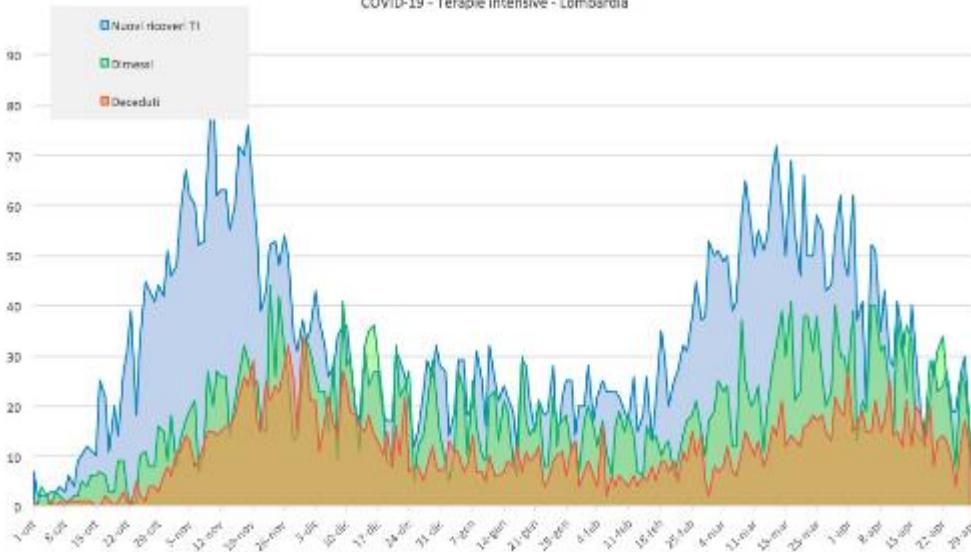
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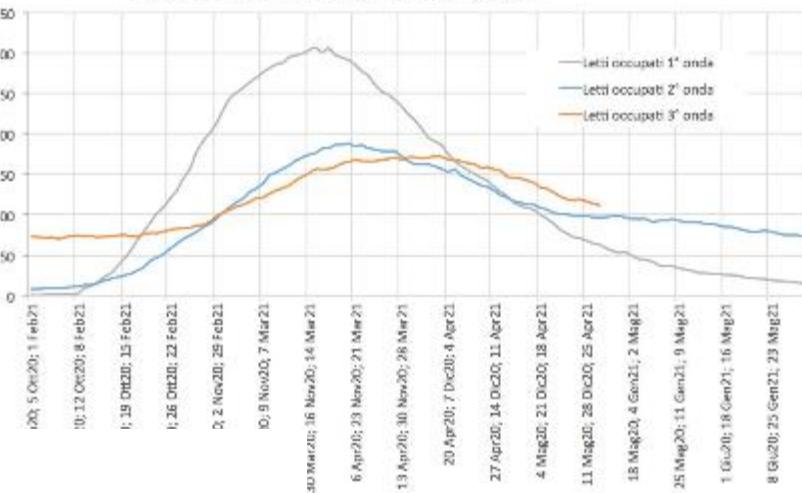
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COVID-19 - Terapie intensive - Lombardia



COVID-19 - Terapie intensive - Letti occupati - Lombardia



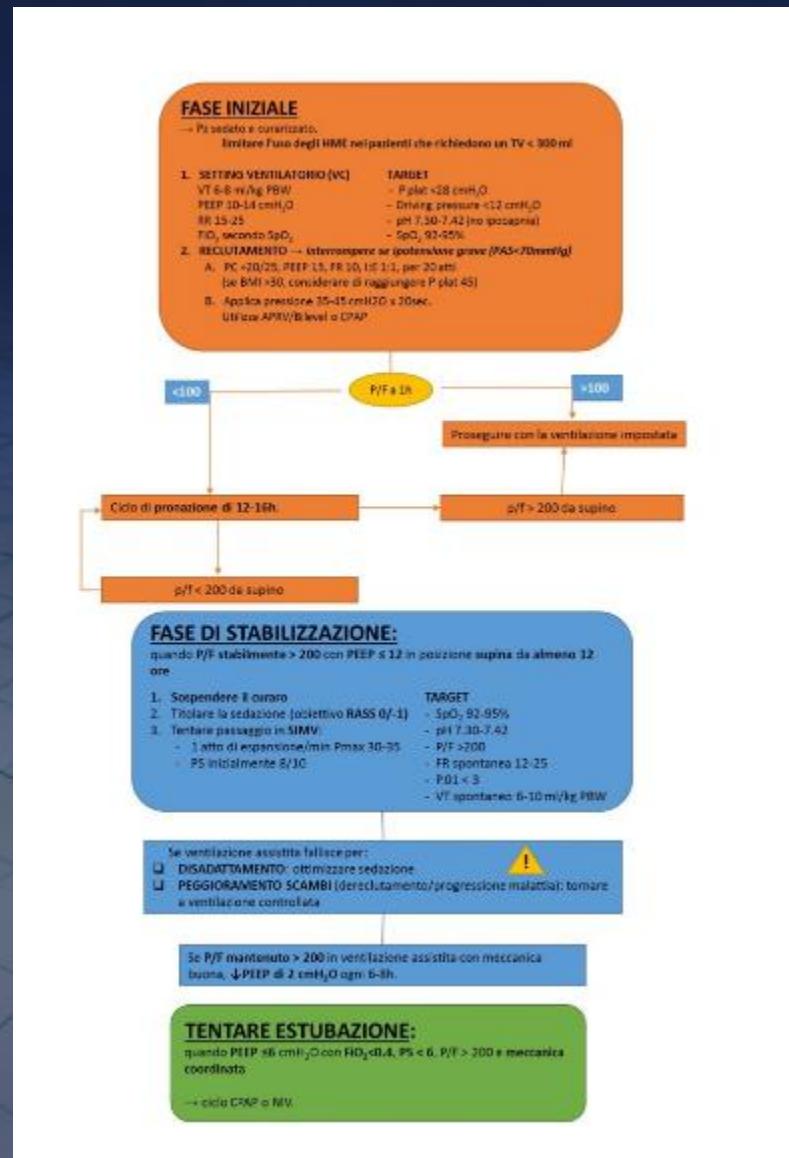
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COORDINAMENTO DELLE TERAPIE INTENSIVE LOMBARDE

## Suggerimenti e Raccomandazioni per la gestione dei pazienti Critici Covid 19

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### Strategie Ventilatorie

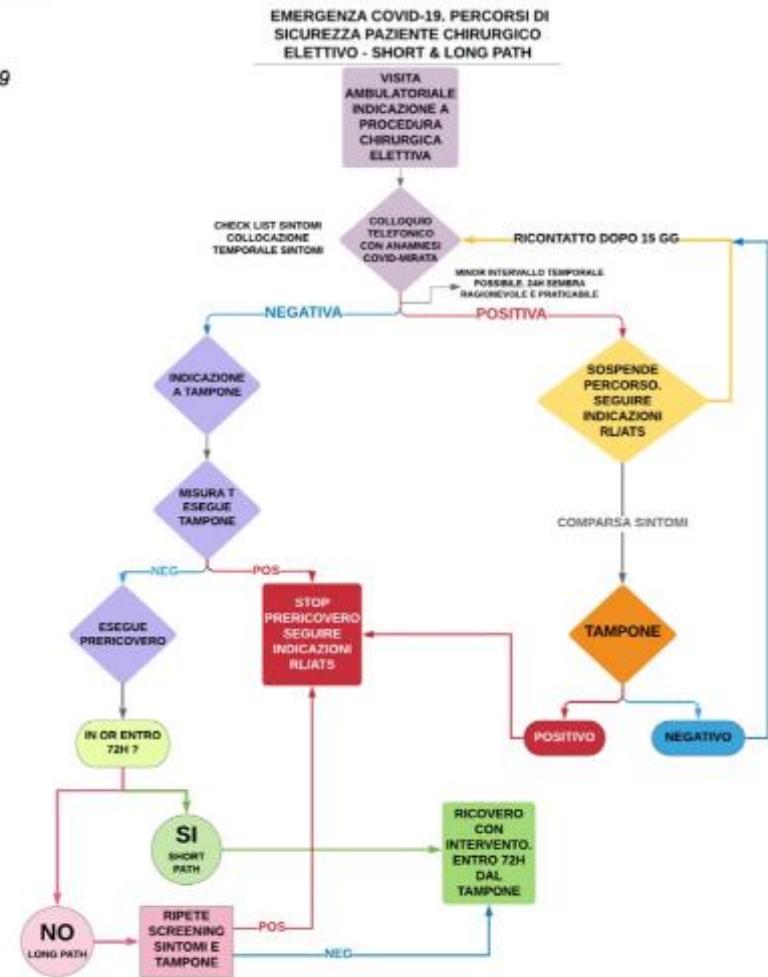


## EMERGENZA COVID-19. Proposta per il percorso dei pazienti candidati a chirurgia e procedure interventistiche elettive

Gruppo di Lavoro Anestesia e Medicina Perioperatoria  
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### Ripresa Attività Chirurgica



## Unità di Terapia Intensiva

Organizzazione di 2 - 3 Unità di Terapia Intensiva a differente intensità di cura

Gestione di circa 120 pazienti critici Covid

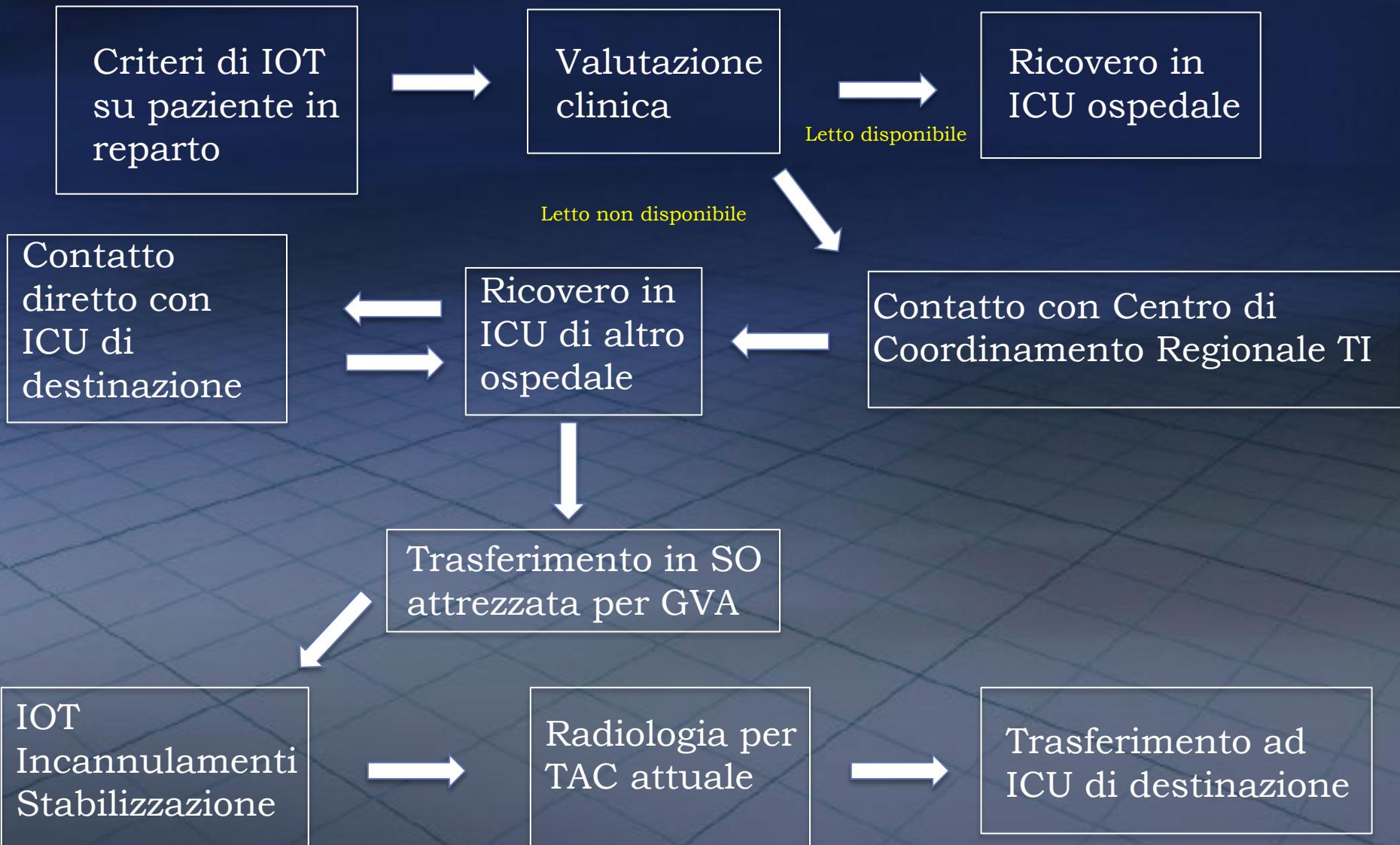
Trasferimento in altri ospedali di almeno 150 pazienti critici

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## Airway challenges in critical care

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# Solutions

*Recognition of DAM patients*

*Planning of DAM*

*DA Trolley*

*Capnography*

*Training and simulation*

Airway management in the intensive care unit is more problematic than during anaesthesia. In general, critically ill patients have less physiological reserve and complications are more common, both during the initial airway intervention (which includes risks associated with induction of anaesthesia), and later once the airway has been secured. Despite these known risks, those managing the airway of a critically ill patient, particularly out of hours, may be relatively inexperienced. Solutions to these challenging airway problems include: recognition of those patients with a potential airway problem; implementation of a plan to deal with their airway; immediate availability of a difficult airway trolley; use of capnography for every airway intervention and continuously in all ventilator-dependent patients; and appropriate training of all intensive care unit staff including use of simulation.

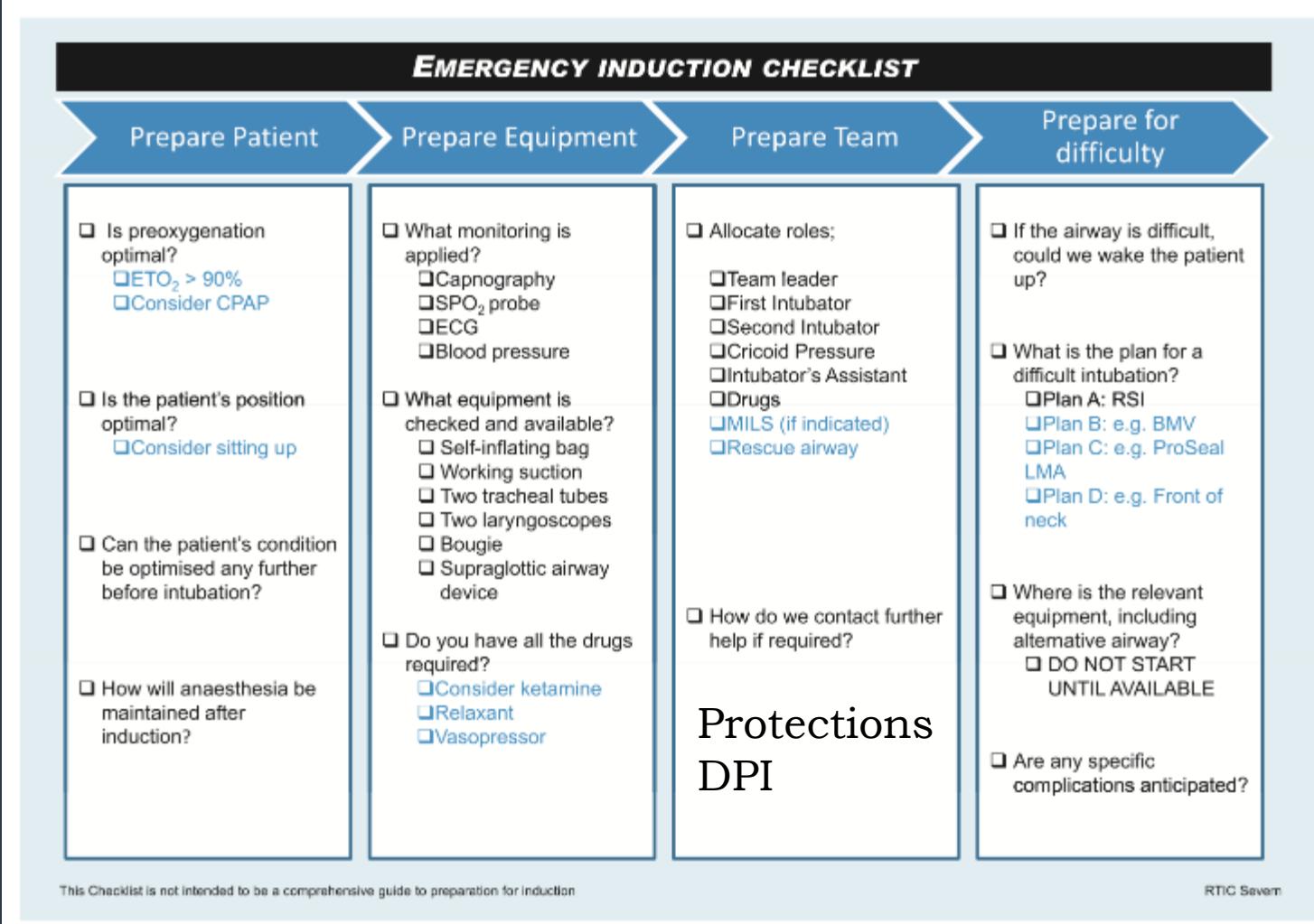
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# Induction checklist

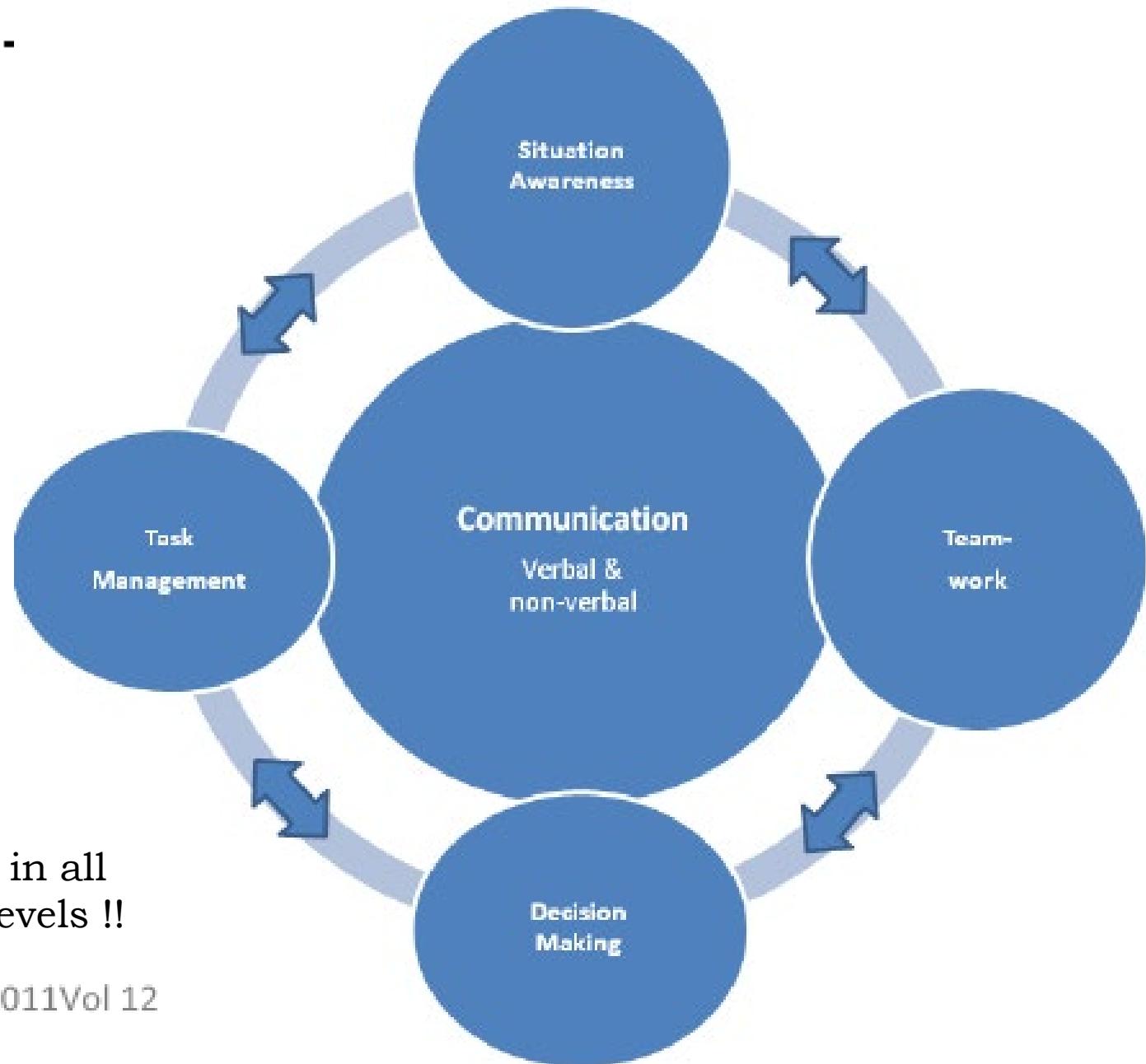
Example of an intubation checklist. Items in black are mandatory; those in blue are suggestions.



# Safety Culture and Crisis Resource Management in Airway Management -

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Very high value in all organizational levels !!

# *Which are the strategies to treat or to prevent severe hypoxemia ?*

Preoxygenation

Sustaining DO<sub>2</sub> determinants

Identifying “at risk” patients

Senior physician attending

Available equipment

Control and monitoring

New and advanced devices

Plans and strategies

Education - Training and simulation

# *Education / Simulation*

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## TS / NTS Correlation ?

# *Conclusions*

- Airway management is critical in hypoxic patients
- Structured airway intervention
- Severe hypoxemia should be prevented and avoided
- Strategy according to bundles of care
- Technical and non-technical skills are necessary
- Knowledge and skill in devices use and indications
- Protocols and procedures to guarantee safety
- Training and simulation

*“The lighted candle respires and we call it flame.  
The body respires and we call it life”*

*J.W. Severinghaus, 1969*

*Thank you*





