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Massive Obstetric Hemorrhage: Anesthetic point of view



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16.000+6.000 labors annually

12% of caesarean sections 53-55% of epidural analgesia

The most recent Practice Bulletin from the

American College of Obstetricians and

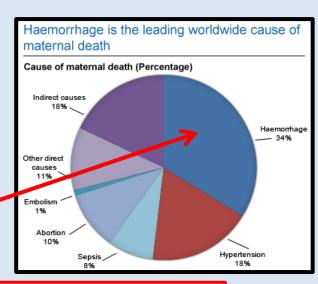
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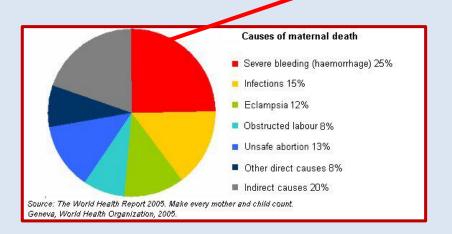
places the estimate at 140,000

maternal deaths

per year or 1 woman every 4 minutes.

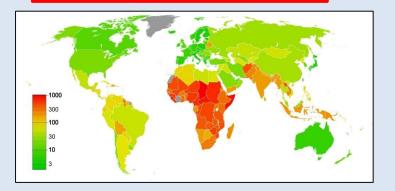






Source: WHO, Systematic Review of Causes of Maternal Death, 2010

Reference: http://www.childinfo.org/maternal mortality.html



Post Partum Haemorrhage (PPH)- Causes and Risk Factors

	OR or range		
Category and risk factor	>500 mL EBL	>1000 m EBL	
Sociodemographic			
Asian ethnicity ¹²	1.8-2		
Hispanic ethnicity ¹⁵	1.7		
Age ≥ 30 years ^{12,16}	1.3-1.4	1.5	
Obstetric			
Prolonged Stage 3 labor ¹⁵	7.6		
Preeclampsia ¹⁵	5.0		
Retained placenta11,13,18,19	4.1-7.8	11.7-16.	
Known placenta previa17,19	4-13.1	15.9	
Previous PPH15	3.0-3.6		
Suspected or proven placental abruption ^{17,19}	2.9-12.6	2.6	
Multiple gestation 12,20,21	2.3-4.5	2.6	
Fetal macrosomia ^{12,18,19}	1.9-2.4		
HELLP syndrome ¹²	1.9		
Polyhydramnios ¹¹	1.9		
Oxytocin exposure ¹⁴	1.8		
Induction of labor 12,18,19	1.3-2	2.1-2.4	
Prolonged labor 12,15	1.1-2		
Surgical			
Emergency cesarean delivery ¹²	3.6		
Elective cesarean delivery ¹²	2.5		
Forceps delivery ¹²	1.9		
Vacuum delivery ¹²	1.8		
Episiotomy ^{15,18,19}	1.7-4.5		
Perineal suture ¹⁸	1.7	2.5	
Systemic or medical			
Antepartum hemorrhage ¹¹	3.8		
VWD ¹²	3.3		
Anemia (<9 g/dL)12	2.2		
Pyrexia in labor ¹⁰	2		
Obesity (BMI > 35)19	1.6		
Cardiac disease ¹²	1.5		

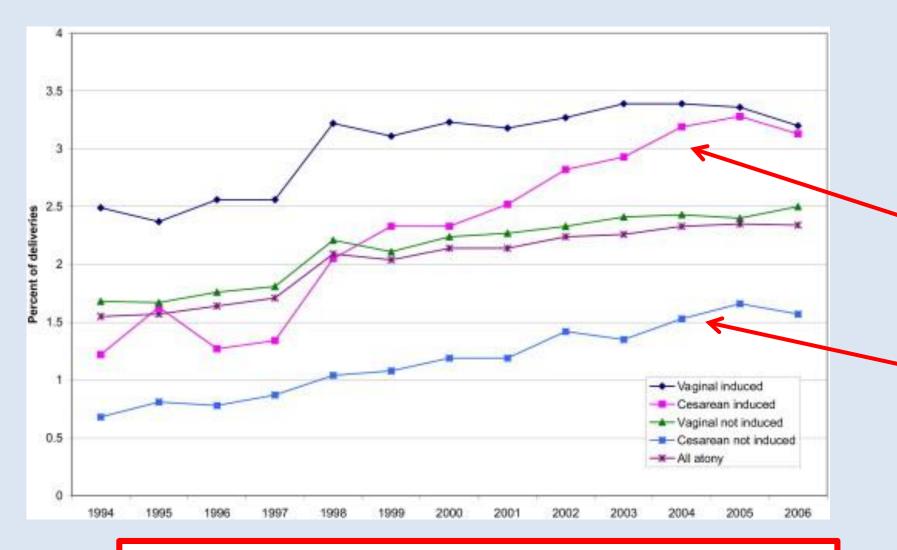
The causes of PPH can be classified into four main groups

- Uterine atony (up to 80%)
- Placental problem
- Genital tract trauma
- Systemic medical disorders

Evaluation and management of postpartum hemorrhage: consensus from an international expert panel

Rezan Abdul-Kadir, ¹ Claire McLintock, ² Anne-Sophie Ducloy, ³ Hazem El-Refaey, ⁴ Adrian England, ⁵ Augusto B. Federici, ⁶ Chad A. Grotegut, ⁷ Susan Halimeh, ⁸ Jay H. Herman, ⁹ Stefan Hofer, ¹⁰ Andra H. James, ¹¹ Peter A. Kouides, ¹² Michael J. Paidas, ¹³ Flora Peyvandi, ¹⁴ and Rochelle Winikoff ¹⁵

TRANSFUSION 2014;54:1756-1768.



Trends in peripartum hemorrhage: United States, 1994–2006

American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology Volume 202, Issue 4, April 2010, Pages 353.e1–353.e6

Definition of PPH (up to 4-5 %)

TABLE 2. Summary of primary PPH definitions in current use globally ⁷⁻¹⁰				
Guidelines Definition				
Australian 2008	Blood loss of >500 mL after vaginal delivery and >750 mL after cesarean section			
Austrian Guidelines 2008	Blood loss of 500-1000 mL and clinical signs of hypovolemic shock or blood loss >1000 mL			
German Guidelines 2008	Blood loss of ≥500 mL within 24 hr after birth			
	Severe PPH is blood loss of ≥1000 mL within 24 hr			
UK Royal College of Obstetricians	Primary PPH—estimated blood loss of 500-1000 mL in the absence of clinical signs of shock			
and Gynaecologists 2009	Severe PPH—estimated blood loss of >1000 mL or clinical signs of shock or tachycardia with a smaller estimated loss			
WHO definition	Blood loss of ≥500 mL within 24 hr after birth			
	Severe PPH is blood loss of ≥1000 mL within 24 hr			

"Persistent (ongoing) PPH is active bleeding >1000 mL within the 24 hours following birth that continues despite the use of initial measures including first-line uterotonic agents and uterine massage."

Definition of Major PPH

Moderate 1000-2000mL

Severe >2000mL

Massive PPH (> 2500mL) 5-6 per 1000

- > Fall in Hemoglobin concentration of >4 mg/dL
- ➤The need for the transfusion of > 4 units of red cells (PC)
- > Development of Coagulopathy
- The need for an invasive procedure : embolisation, hysterectomy...

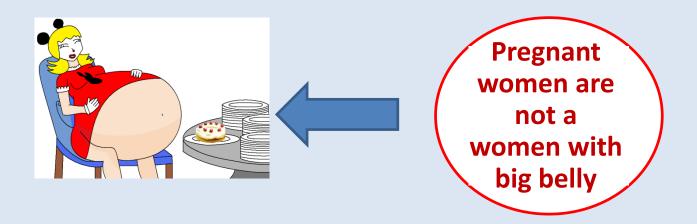
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MEDICAL INTELLIGENCE ARTICLE

Medical Advances in the Treatment of Postpartum Hemorrhage (Anesth Analg 2014;119:1140-7)

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- Rapid laboratory Monitoring of coagulopathy in the setting of PPH
- Modern approach to transfusion therapy
- Prohemostatic pharmacotherapy as an adjunct to transfusion



Massive PPH # Massive trauma-associated hemorrhage

Trauma patient differ from obstetric patient:

- They are primarily male
- Mechanisms of trauma and obstetric hemorrhage are difference
- They hemostatic physiology is different

Changes in the hemostasis at term

- Prothrombotic (Hypercoagulable) state
- Levels of ALL procoagulant factors (except factor XI) increased
 - Fibrinogen and factor VIII up to 100-150% (4-6g/L)
 - Von Willebrand factor up to 300%
 - Shorter PT/aPTT
 - D-dimer level increase
 - Increase in TEG parameters
- Natural anticoagulants (protein C and S) fall
 - Increase in fibrinolysis
- Gestational thrombocytopenia

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O'Riordan MN, Higgins JR. Haemostasis in normal and abnormal pregnancy. Best Practice and Research. Clinical Obstetrics and Gynaecology 2003; 17: 385–96.

Liu X, Jiang Y, Shi H, Yue X, Wang Y, Yang H. Prospective, sequential, longitudinal study of coagulation changes during pregnancy in Chinese women. *International Journal of Gynecology and Obstetrics* 2009; **105**: 240–3.

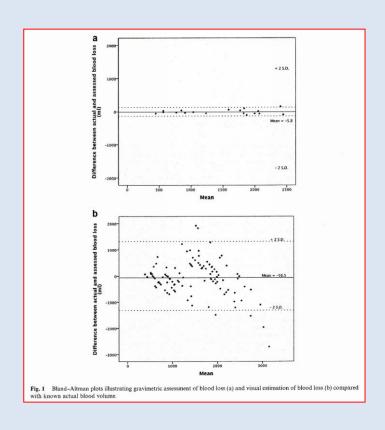
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Measurement of blood loss during postpartum haemorrhage

G. Lilley, D. Burkett-st-Laurent, E. Precious, D. Bruynseels, A. Kaye, L. Sanders, R. Alikhan, P.W. Collins, J.E. Hall, R.E. Collis

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- Blood loss often estimated visually
- Underestimation of 30-50% for large volumes

Methods of Blood Loss Estimation

- Visual assessment
- Direct collection of blood
- Gravimetri
- Determination of h



- Failures of each method Acidhematin method (spectrophoto.
- Plasma volume changes (radioactive tracea ments)
- Measurement of Cr-tagged erythrocytes

Underestimation of perioperative/ peripartum bleeding!!!

Estimated Blood Loss in PPH





~1 kg

3.2 kg



1.2 kg

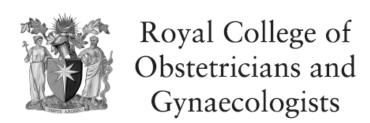


Reason and Rate of Transfusion of Blood Products

The decision to perform blood transfusion should be made on both

- **→ Clinical** and
- > Hematological grounds





Setting standards to improve women's health

Monitoring (Laboratory diagnosis)

- "Classical" laboratory-based method
 - PT/aPTT; Fibrinogen; PLT; Hgb
- "Modern" Point-of-care testing
 - Tromboelastography (TEG; Haemonetics; USA)
 - Tromboelastometry (ROTEM; TEM GmBH; Germany)
 - Continues total hemoglobin monitoring

Clinical observation with empirical blood product replacement

PT/aPTT

- During PPH PT/aPTT remain normal despite large amounts of bleeding.
 - In a cohort of 456 women with PPH, most had normal PT/aPTT until blood loss reached 5000mL.



De Lloyd L, Bovington R, Kaye A, et al. Standard haemostatic tests following major obstetric haemorrhage. *International Journal of Obstetric Anesthesia* 2011; **20**: 135–41.



Fibrinogen is an important predictor of severity of PPH

- Fibrinogen concentration < 2g/L compared with fibrinogen concentration >3g/L was
 - Predictive of severe PPH with positive pred.value of 100%
 - Specificity of severe PPH was 99.3%

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OAA / AAGBI Guidelines for Obstetric Anaesthetic Services 2013

Rapid hematological analysis
 (TEG;ROTEM) as an important support
 service and <u>"strongly recommended"</u>
 the availability of bedside estimation of coagulation status and for early diagnosis of hypofibrinogenemia.

PPH –induced hypofibrinemia was identified by the decrease in FIBTEM (a ROTEM reflecting fibrinogen concentration to clot strength) amplitude. With 100% sensitivity and 85% specificity to detect fibrinogen concentration in PPH >1.5 L. Huissound C. 2009

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Major obstetric haemorrhage: monitoring with thromboelastography, laboratory analyses or both?

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Table 3 Thromboelastography variables

	Controls $(n = 49)$	MOH all $(n = 45)$	MOH 2–3L $(n = 35)$	MOH > 3L $(n = 10)$
R (min)	6.3 (5.8 to 6.9)	5.1 [†] (4.5 to 5.7)	5.2 (4.5 to 5.9)	4.5 (3.2 to 5.9)
	[1.8–13.4]	[1.3–9.6]	[1.6–9.6]	[1.3–6.7]
K (min)	1.8 (1.6 to 2.1)	2.0 (1.8 to 2.2)	2.0 (1.8 to 2.2)	2.1 (1.6 to 2.6)
	[1.0-5.3]	[1.2–3.7]	[1.2–3.7]	[1.3-3.3]
Angle (degree)	65.2 (62.7 to 67.6)	61.3* (58.7 to 63.8)	61.4 (58.4 to 64.3)	60.8 (55.0 to 66.7)
	[38.6–77.1]	[42.1–72.1]	[42.1–72.1]	[48.5–71.8]
MA (mm)	72.9 (71.4 to 74.4)	64.8^{Σ} (62.4 to 67.3)	65.1 (62.2 to 68.1)	63.8 (59.7 to 67.9)
	[54.2–81.6]	[38.0-79.4]	[38.0-79.4]	[55.4–74.6]
LY30 (%)	1.5 (0.9 to 2.2)	0.4^{\dagger} (0.1 to 0.7)	0.4 (0.1 to 0.8)	0.2 (-0.06 to 0.4)
	[0-9.3]	[0-5.9]	[0-5.9]	[0-0.9]

Data are mean, (95% CI) and [range]. R: time to start of clotting; K: time to 20 min clot firmness; Angle: clot growth rate; MA: maximum clot amplitude; LY30: lysis 30 min after maximum amplitude. P < 0.05; P < 0.01; P < 0.001 compared to controls.

Point-of-care testing of coagulation and fibrinolytic status during postpartum haemorrhage: developing at

thrombelastography®-guided transfusion algorithm.

Hill JS, Devenie G, Powell M.

New Zealand Anaesth Intensive Care. 2012 Nov;40(6):1007-15.

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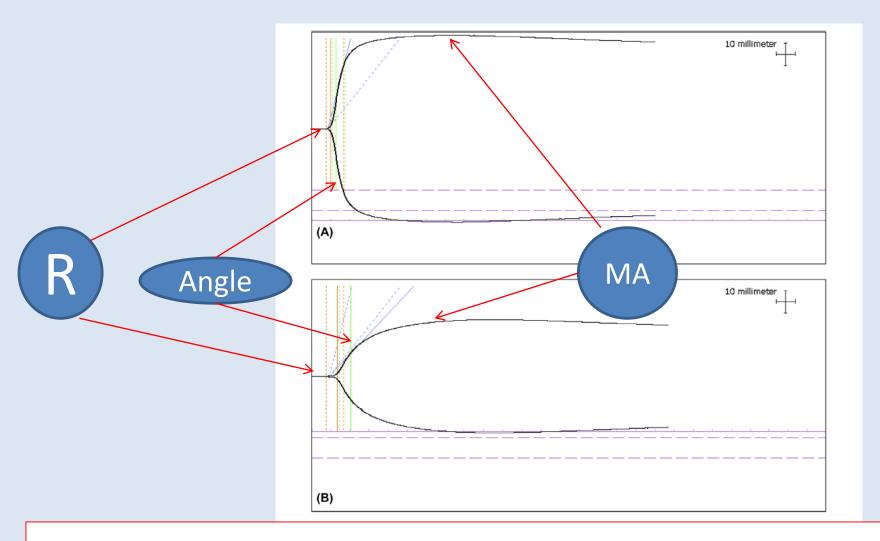


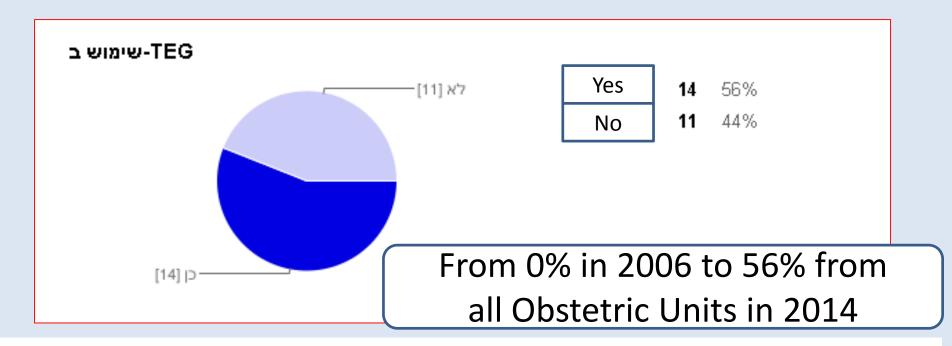
Fig. 1 Two thromboelastographic profiles. (A) TEG profile in a woman with normal bleeding postpartum. Estimated blood loss 250 mL, TEG-R 4.9 min, TEG-MA 81.4 mm, platelets 239×10^9 /L, fibrinogen 6.0 g/L and antithrombin 0.98 kIU/L. (B) TEG profile in a woman with major obstetric haemorrhage. Estimated blood loss 2500 mL, TEG-R 6.6 min, TEG-MA 48.9 mm, platelets 55×10^9 /L, fibrinogen 1.7 g/L, antithrombin 0.37 kIU/L.

Turnaround time PT/aPTT - TEG from 35±37min to 14±3 min

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TEG for Massive bleeding in CS in Israel



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Israeli survey of anesthesia practice related to placenta previa and accreta

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- Loss of 30–40% of CBV (around 1500–2000 mL) –
 hypovolemia by crystalloids and synthetic colloids
 must be corrected urgently, and red cell transfusion
 is usually indicated;
- Loss of >40% of CBV (>2000 mL) urgent correction of hypovolemia, including red cell transfusion, must be performed (2, 4, 9, 23).



There are no firm criteria for initiating red cell transfusion.

Target level of Hb

- Hb <6 g/dL, transfusion almost always indicated;
- Hb 6–10 g/dL, indication for transfusion is based individually for every patient and should be motivated (1, 2, 4, 9, 24).

When Hb level is ≤7 g/dL and anemia is asymptomatic, transfusion is needed if massive bleeding is expected during surgery or the patient belongs to a high anesthetic risk group (4).

Next step in the "Point of Care" of massive bleeding is Total hemoglobin (SpHb®)—noninvasive continuous monitoring



Results

A total of 32 studies (4425 subjects, median sample size of 44, ranged from 10 to 569 patients per study) were included in this meta-analysis. The overall pooled random-effects mean difference (noninvasive-central laboratory) and SD were 0.10 ± 1.37 g/dL (-2.59 to 2.80 g/dL, I = 95.9% for mean difference and 95.0% for SD). In subgroup analysis, pooled mean difference and SD were 0.39 ± 1.32 g/dL (-2.21 to 2.98 g/dL, I = 93.0%, 71.4%) in 13 studies conducted in the perioperative setting and were -0.51±1.59 g/dL (-3.63 to 2.62 g/dL, I = 83.7%, 96.4%) in 5 studies performed in the intensive care unit setting.

Conclusions

Although the mean difference between noninvasive Hb and central laboratory measurements was small, the wide limits of agreement mean clinicians should be cautious when making clinical decisions based on these devices.

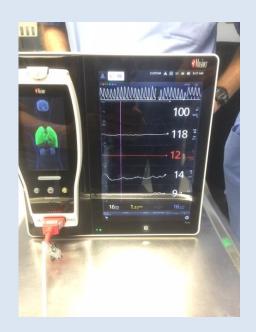
Accuracy of Continuous Noninvasive Hemoglobin Monitoring: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

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Noninvasive and Continuous Trending of Hemoglobin during Labor and in the Post-Partum Period Tola G., Capogna G. Euroanesthesia 2014: Abstract 11AP3-1.

Conclusion

SpHb was able to detect changes in hemoglobin concentration during and after delivery and therefore may provide a means for the early detection of bleeding and postpartum hemorrhage.





 $^{\circ}0.3-0.6 \pm SD ^{\circ}1g/dL$

- 11.7g/dL **(SpHb®)** 12.9g/dL
- 11.1g/dL (SpHb[®]) 11.8g/dL
- 11.2 g/dL **(SpHb**®**)** 11.3 g/dL
- 11.8 g/dL (SpHb[®]) 11.6 g/dL

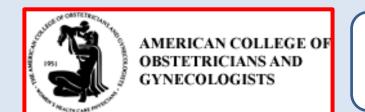
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Continuous Noninvasive Hemoglobin Monitoring: A Measured Response to a Critical Review

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ACOG committee opinion. Placenta accreta. Number 266, January 2002.

<u>Cell saver technology should be considered if available</u> as well as the appropriate location and timing for delivery to allow access to adequate surgical personnel and equipment.



Facilities for blood salvage (cell saver technique)

must be available in every obstetric theatre.

Thomas D. and Clark V.

Int J Obstet Anesth. 2005 Jan;14(1):48-50. 50-52

National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence
Intraoperative blood cell salvage in obstetrics

Cost-effectiveness Analysis of Intraoperative Cell Salvage for Obstetric Hemorrhage.

Lim G, et al. Anesthesiology. 2018.

CONCLUSIONS: The use of cell salvage for cases at high risk for obstetric hemorrhage is economically reasonable; routine cell salvage use for all cesarean deliveries is not. These findings can inform the development of public policies such as guidelines on management of obstetric hemorrhage.

Cell saver technology in Israel for OB patient with high suspected peripartum bleeding









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Equipment

Two large-bore IV lines - 14-18G IV lines High Flow 7.5 or 8 G _





Arterial Line (Radial) for IBP monitoring and blood tests

Central Line - ???

TEE/FTTE

Trans Esophageal or Trans Thoracic Focused Echocardiography **Rapid infusion system**

"Level one" system
0.5L/min warm
solution

Protocols for massive bleeding Blood products transfusion RATIO in massive trauma

PC: FFP - 1:1-1.4







- Some obstetric centers have adopted formulaic protocols for PPH on data derived from massive trauma.
- Or 1:1:1:1 PC:FFP:PLT:CRYO



The DISADVANTAGE of unmonitored "shock packs" transfusion

- FFP is donated from non-pregnant population
 - Fibrinogen < 2g/L</p>
 - Relative low Factor VIII and von Willebrand
- Do not distinguish between the underlying etiology of bleeding
 - Early empirical FFP transfusion useful for placental abruption and amniotic fluid embolism (consumption mechanism) and unnecessary for atonic bleeding or genital tract trauma

Massive Hemorrhage protocols

Using massive obstetric hemorrhage protocols is useful for facilitating rapid transfusion if needed, and can also be cost-effective.

Guasch E Med Intensiva. 2016 (Spain)

Massive obstetric hemorrhage: Current approach to management

A.J. Butwick Curr Opin Anaesthesiol 2015

Transfusion and coagulation management in major obstetric hemorrhage



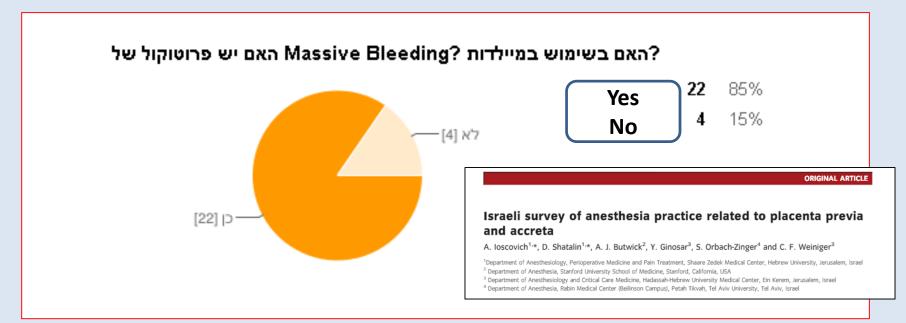
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Retrospective Study to investigate fresh frozen plasma and packed cell ratios administered for women with postpartum hemorrhage before and after introduction of a massive transfusion protocol

Carolyn Weiniger, Alexander Gural, Alexander Ioscovich, Hen Sela, Noa Yakirevich-Amir, Sharon Finav



Transfusion protocols in Israel



- "Obstetric hemorrhage packs"
- Availability of a local expert (hematologist or transfusion medicine physician) for consultation?
- Laboratory assessment (every 15-30min)?

Table 1 Mechanisms of coagulopathy dependent on aetiology of obstetric bleed. Late onset is abnormal coagulation usually only after 2000 ml blood loss.

			Mechanism of coagulopathy		
Actiology of bleed	Likelihood of coagulopathy (% transfused FFP)	Time of onset of coagulopathy	Dilution	Consumptive	
				Local to uterus and placenta	Disseminated intravascular
Uterine atony	14	Late	Contributes in severe cases	Contributes in severe case	Very rare
Genital tract or surgical trauma	4	Late	Contributes in severe cases	Contributes in severe cases	Very rare
Placental abruption	42	Early (often before blood loss observed)	Contributes in severe cases	Main cause in mild and moderate cases	Contributes in severe cases
Retained and adherent placenta	8	Early or late	Contributes in most cases	Contributes in some cases	Rare unless associated with infection
Uterine rupture	66	Early	Main cause because large bleeds are common	Contributes in some cases	-
AFE	100	Early	Contributes in large bleeds	_	Main cause
Pre-eclampsia/HELLP	ND	Early (often before labour)	Contributes in large bleeds	Contributes in some cases	Contributes in some cases

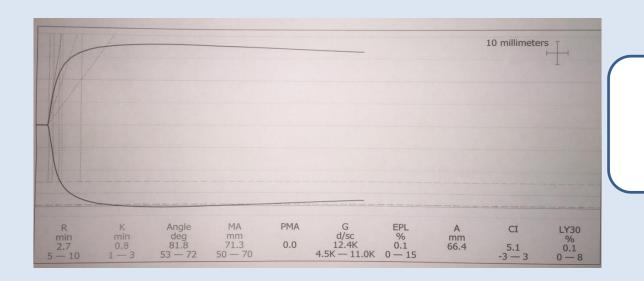
AFE, amniotic fluid embolus; HELLP, haemolysis, elevated liver enzymes and low platelets.

Mechanism of Coagulopathy

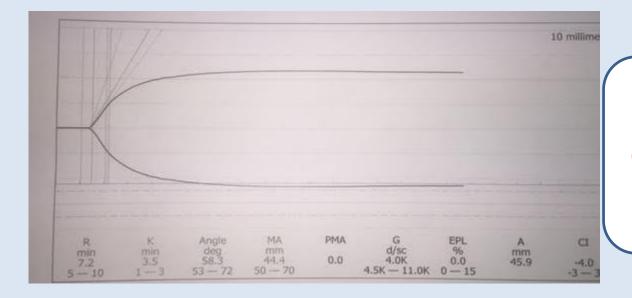
- Fibrinogen level after ~2L EBL due to uterine atonia or genital trauma was 3.9g/L with normal PT/aPTT
- In placental abruption ~2L EBL Fibrinogen level was 2.2g/L with normal PT/aPTT

Collins PW, Lilley G, Bruynseels D, et al. Fibrin-based clot formation an early and rapidly biomarker for progression of postpartum hemorrhage: a prospective study. *Blood* 2014; 124: 1727–36.





Atonic bleeding EBL ~ 2.5-3 L 5 units PC



Total placental abruption
EBL ~ 3 L
6 units PC and 4 units FFP
6 units PLT

Cryoprecipitate for PPH

- Use of Cryoprecipitate to maintain the fibrinogen level above 1.5g/L if FFP has not be successful.
- 1 pool of Cryoprecipitate (~5 units) increase the fibrinogen level by 0.5g/L
- High concentration of Factor VIII and von Willebrand

Platelets in PPH

- Guidelines recommend PLT count > 50.000
- PLT should be infused when the count falls below 75.000 during ongoing PPH
- With exception of AFE, Severe preeclampsia and ITP low PLT is uncommon during PPH
- The strategy 1:1:1 PC:FFP:PLT would result in multiple PLT transfusion well above recommended levels.

Tranexamic acid



- >Antifibrinolytic agents strengthen fibrin clots by inhibiting enzymatic fibrinolysis.
- > Blocks the degradation of fibrin clots by plasmin.
- > Have moderate but significant effect on blood loss.
- > Without significant adverse effects.

The addition of tranexamic acid (1 g) is cheap, likely to be useful and appears safe.

Curr Opin Anaesthesiol. 2010 Jun;23(3):310-6.

Use of clotting factors and other prohemostatic drugs for obstetric hemorrhage. Mercier FJ , Bonnet MP.

Département d'Anesthésie Réanimation, Hôpital Antoine Béclère, Groupe Hospitalier Universitaire Paris Sud, Assistance Publique-Hôpitaux de Paris, Université Paris XI, Clamart, France. frederic.mercier@abc.aphp.fr The current place of tranexamic acid in the management of bleeding.

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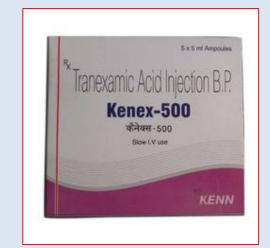


The CRASH 2 trial for trauma patients

Early administration of TXA safely reduced the risk of death in bleeding trauma patients.

The CRASH-2 trial: a randomised controlled trial and economic evaluation of the effects of tranexamic acid on death, vascular occlusive events and transfusion requirement in bleeding trauma patients

Health Technology Assessment, 2013 Mar No. 17.10 I Roberts, H Shakur, T Coats, B Hunt, E Balogun, L Barnetson, L Cook, T Kawahara, P Perel, D Prieto-Merino, M Ramos, J

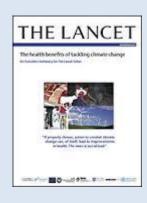


The **WOMAN Trial** (World Maternal Antifibrinolytic Trial): tranexamic acid for the treatment of postpartum haemorrhage: an international randomised, double blind placebo controlled trial. 15,000 women

World Health Organization and the European Society of Anesthesiology guidelines recommend 1gm Tranexamic Acid for > 1L Bleeding or for suspected massive bleeding

Shakur H, et al. Trials. 2010.

Effect of early tranexamic acid administration on mortality, hysterectomy, and other morbidities in women with post-partum haemorrhage (WOMAN): an international, randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial



WOMAN Trial Collaborators*

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Death due to bleeding was significantly reduced in women given tranexamic acid (155 [1.5%] of 10036 patients vs 191 [1.9%] of 9985 in the placebo group, risk ratio [RR] 0.81, 95% CI 0.65–1.00; p=0.045), especially in women given treatment within 3 h of giving birth (89 [1.2%] in the tranexamic acid group vs 127 [1.7%] in the placebo group,

A 10-year Update: National Survey Questionnaire of Obstetric Anesthesia Units in Israel

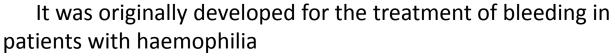
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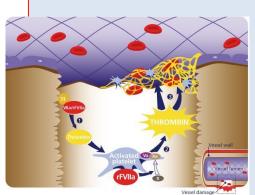
2017 (under revision in IJOA)

 In Israel in 2016 - 18 (72%) units tranexamic acid was routinely administered to women when postpartum hemorrhage occurred.

Recombination factor VII for peripartum bleeding (rFVIIa) (Novoseven)

FVIIa works via activation of the extrinsic pathway of the coagulation cascade leading to an enhanced generation of thrombin and a **stable fibrin plug at the** site of injury.







"Side-effects"

- ➤ Increased risk of thromboembolism ???
- ➤ Costs of rFVII vs other treatment \$\$\$\$\$\$

Is it a hypercoagulated state of pregnant patients is a risk factor for embolic event?

Recombinant activated factor VII (rFVIIa, NovoSeven) was used in three patients with massive obstetric hemorrhage due to

- > placenta previa accreta
- >rupture of the uterus and
- >pre-eclampsia with HELLP

Administration of the drug markedly decreased the bleeding and enabled control of the hemorrhage. **rFVIIa seems to be an adjunctive haemostatic measure for the treatment of severe obstetric hemorrhage.**

Arch Gynecol Obstet. 2003 Oct;268(4):266-7.

Treatment of obstetric hemorrhage with recombinant activated factor VII (rFVIIa).

<u>Segal S</u> Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Ben-Gurion University of The Negev, Barzilai Medical Center, Ashkelon, Israel 78306.

Thus, the timely use of rFVIIa, hence, can be used to save life and fertility in cases of intractable obstetric bleeding.

Indian J Anaesth. 2012 Jan;56(1):69-71.

Burad J, Bhakta P, Sharma J.

Department of Anaesthesia and Intensive Care, Sultan Qaboos University Hospital, Muscat, Oman.



Pulmonary embolism after administration of recombinant activated Factor VII for major obstetric hemorrhage.

J Clin Anesth. 2012 Sep;24(6):508-9. McCarthy GC, Allen TK, Habib AS.

For intraoperative NONSURGICAL bleeding

- 1- Normal Fibrinogen level
- 2- pH close to 7.35-7.4
- 3- Normothermia

World Health Organization. WHO Guidelines for the Management of Postpartum Haemorrhage and Retained Placenta. http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/75411/1/978924 1548502 eng.pdf (accessed 17/09/2014).

Fibrinogen concentrates in postpartum hemorrhage



- Human plasma-derived fibrinogen concentrates are now available in most countries but not everywhere.
- 10 randomized controlled trials have explored the potential benefit of fibrinogen concentrates in terms of transfusion requirement and correction of hemostasis disorders.
- The "FIB-PPH Trial", as it is known, is a Danish multicenter placebo-controlled, double-blinded clinical trial evaluating whether initial treatment with fibrinogen concentrate (2 g) reduces the need for allogenic blood transfusion in PPH.
- "Therefore, we still need valid data before administration of fibrinogen concentrate as a curative treatment of PPH can be firmly recommended."

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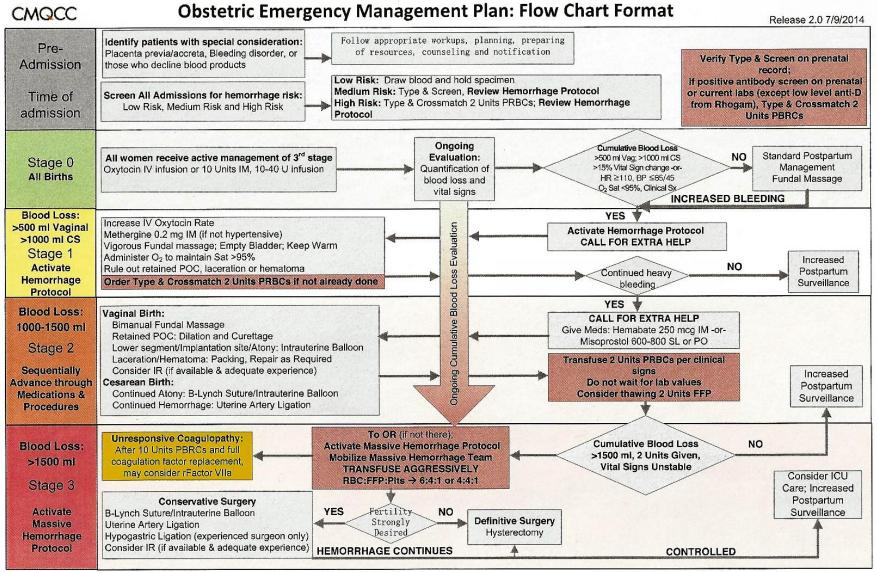
Management of postpartum haemorrhage [version 1; referees: 2

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Summary

- Rate of Post Partum Hemorrhage (PPH) grow up
- Massive PPH ≠ Massive trauma-associated hemorrhage
- EBL is usually underestimated
- Monitoring (Fibrinogen; TEG or ROTEM; SpHb[®])
- Equipment (Cell saver, Level 1, Echocardiography)
- Institutional protocol for PPH
- Blood Products
- Tranexamic acid ± Fibrinogen concentrates
- Recombinant activated factor VII (rFVIIa)?
- Team Approach !!!
- Uterotonic drugs and devices
- Invasive radiology

