

Residency Project Pearls 2019

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Evaluating the impact of medication-assisted treatment for alcohol use disorder on hospitalization rates in a veteran population

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Learning Objectives for Pharmacists

- Discuss the results of a retrospective chart review on the use of medication assisted treatment for alcohol use disorder on rehospitalization rates in a veteran population.



Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center (FHCC)

- Located in North Chicago, Illinois
- Established October 1, 2010
- Partnership between the US Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Defense (DoD)
- West Campus: medical and surgical care, medical specialties, mental health services, community living center
- East Campus: serves Navy military members and recruits
- Service 40,000 Navy recruits and 67,000 eligible military/retiree beneficiaries each year
- 3 community-based outpatient clinics (CBOCs)



Substance Use Disorder Treatment Services at FHCC

- **SARP (Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Program)**
 - Eligibility: Active Duty members + TRICARE beneficiaries
 - Outpatient treatment program using 12-step multidisciplinary treatment approach
 - Up to 8-weeks
- **ATP (Addiction Treatment Program)**
 - Eligibility: Veterans with substance use disorders
 - 3 levels of care: residential, outpatient, and aftercare
 - Residential: Building 11 (B11): 39-beds



Background

Alcohol use disorder is a significant issue among veterans
42% of veterans with SUD were readmitted within one year of discharge

MAT for AUD in private programs: 24%

MAT for AUD within the VA: 20.5%

3. Alcohol Use Disorder	
4. Pharmacotherapy	
5. For patients with moderate-severe alcohol use disorder, we recommend offering one of the following medications:	Strong For
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acamprosate • Disulfiram • Naltrexone—oral or extended release • Topiramate 	
6. For patients with moderate-severe alcohol use disorder for whom first-line pharmacotherapy is contraindicated or ineffective, we suggest offering gabapentin.	Weak For

MAT = medication-assisted treatment
SUD = substance use disorder
AUD = alcohol use disorder

Psychiatric Services, 2000, Dec 51(12): 1548-9
J. Addict Med 2015;5:212-21
Psychiatric Services, 2016, Apr 67(4):333-8
VA/DoD, Management of substance use disorders version 3.0, Washington, DC: 2015

Which of the following medications are recommended by the VA/DoD guidelines for the treatment of alcohol use disorder?

- A. Naltrexone
- B. Acamprosate
- C. Baclofen
- D. A and B

Purpose

To evaluate the impact of MAT for AUD in patients enrolled in a residential addiction treatment program on alcohol-related readmission rates

Study Objectives & Outcomes

To compare the time from initial discharge from RTP to alcohol-related rehospitalization for veterans initiated on MAT vs. veterans not initiated on MAT for alcohol use disorder.

Specific MAT used	Comorbid psychiatric disorders or SUD
Days until alcohol-related rehospitalization within one year of discharge from RTP	
Medication adherence	Participation in PSI and aftercare

RTP = residential treatment program
MAT = medication-assisted treatment
PSI = psychosocial interventions
SUD = substance use disorder

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Study Design

- Retrospective chart review
- All RTP consults screened between time of Jan 1st, 2014 to Feb 28th, 2018
- Subjects separated into two cohorts:
 - Cohort 1: MAT group
 - Cohort 2: no MAT group

- Inclusion Criteria**
 - Veterans admitted to RTP at FHCC 18 years or older
 - Treated for AUD per DSM-V diagnosis in RTP
- Exclusion Criteria**
 - Veterans not completing RTP
 - Use of listed inclusion medications for primary indication other than AUD

MAT = medication-assisted treatment
RTP = residential treatment program
DSM-V = Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders

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Statistical Outcomes & Analyses

Primary Outcome	Secondary Outcomes
Days until alcohol-related hospitalization within one year of discharge from RTP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specific MAT utilized Comorbid psychiatric disorders Medication adherence Participation in psychosocial interventions and aftercare
Kaplan-Meier survival analysis and log-rank test, with and without adjusting for confounding variables (Cox analysis)	Continuous variables: Cox proportional-hazards regression Descriptive statistics: frequencies and percentages

MAT = medication-assisted treatment
RTP = residential treatment program

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Statistical Outcomes & Analyses

Power = 80%

Sample size = 280
patients (140 in each
group)

Alpha =
0.05

Effect size =
0.3

P-value for
significance: < 0.05

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Patient Demographics

Demographic	Total
Age, years (avg)	48
Race, % (n)	
White	54.3 (145)
African American	42.7 (114)
Hispanic	3.0 (8)
Gender, % (n)	
Male	95.9 (256)
Female	4.1 (11)
Concomitant Psychiatric condition, % (n)	
Bipolar Disorder	12.4 (33)
Depression	25.5 (68)
PTSD	32.2 (86)
Schizophrenia	2.6 (7)
Concomitant SUD, % (n)	
Benzodiazepine/sedative	1.5 (4)
Cocaine	47.2 (126)
Methamphetamines	1.5 (4)
Opioids	9.4 (25)

Charts Screened: 1782

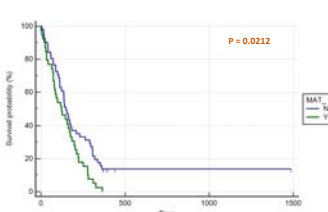
Inclusion Criteria met: 267

MAT: 127

No MAT: 140

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Results: Primary Outcome



MAT?	Rehospitalized % (n)	HR (95% CI)
Yes	43.3 (39)	0.6123 (0.3668 to 0.9221)
No	56.7 (51)	1.6331 (1.0845 to 2.7264)

Figure 1. Days to rehospitalization within one year of discharge from RTP

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Results: Secondary Outcomes

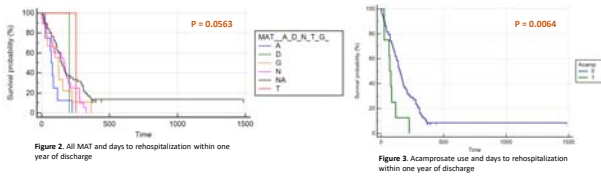
Covariate	P-value	95% CI
Aftercare	0.0002	0.2391 to 0.6430
Concurrent Psych Disorder	0.9996	0.5045 to 1.9829
Other SUD	0.3721	0.4961 to 1.3000
Bipolar	0.9432	0.4574 to 2.3194
Depression	0.0680	0.3009 to 1.0438
PTSD	0.7284	0.6052 to 2.0512
Schizophrenia	0.4153	0.5167 to 4.9491

	N	Mean	Median	SD
MPR	125	0.272	0.180	0.2394

- Only participation in aftercare showed a statistically significant effect on rehospitalization rates
- P-value for Cox regression analysis: **p = 0.0016**



Results: secondary outcomes



Discussion

- 2015 VA/DoD guidelines recommend use of MAT for AUD in conjunction with PSI (strong for)
- Results from this study support guideline recommendations for the use of MAT for AUD and shows that MAT can decrease rehospitalization rates
- Secondary outcomes show that presence of aftercare in combination with MAT had a statistically significant effect on rehospitalization rate
- Acamprostate was the only MAT to show statistical significance in terms of prolonging days to rehospitalization for AUD



MAT = medication assisted treatment
 PSI = psychological intervention
 AUD = alcohol use disorder

Limitations

- Retrospective chart review
- Limited to one facility
- Veterans only
- Restrictive time period
- Difficult to separate success of MAT from other psychotherapies
- Difficult to assess frequency of aftercare outside the VA



Conclusions

- Medication assisted treatment for alcohol use disorder is strongly recommended by updated VA/DoD guidelines
- MAT should be used with psychosocial interventions for the best outcomes
- Guideline-recommended first line pharmacotherapy treatments include: naltrexone, acamprostate, disulfiram, and topiramate;
 - Gabapentin is second line
- This retrospective chart review supported results from previous trials indicating benefit of MAT for AUD
- More studies need to be conducted to assess the individual benefit of each medication in reducing rehospitalization rates for AUD



Which of the following conditions can further complicate the successful treatment of alcohol use disorder?

- A. Hypertension
- B. Post Traumatic Stress Disorder
- C. Polysubstance Abuse Disorder
- D. B and C



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Does Switching from Ticagrelor to Clopidogrel Increase MACE Events?

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Learning Objective for Pharmacists

Recognize the incidence of MACE events and factors which may affect MACE events when switching from ticagrelor to clopidogrel based on a 12-hour loading dose protocol



P2Y12 Inhibitors: Ticagrelor vs. Clopidogrel

	Ticagrelor	Clopidogrel
Platelet Inhibition	Reversible	Irreversible
Pro-Drug	No	Yes
Inhibition of Platelet Aggregation (IPA) Peak Effect	180 mg IPA ~88% at 2 hours post	300 (22%) vs. 600 mg (38%) 2 hours post
Maximum Level of Platelet Inhibition	93%	58%
Time to Maximum Level of Platelet Inhibition	2 hours	8 hours
Duration of IPA	3 days post discontinuation	5 days post discontinuation

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Why would patients be switched?

Cost Bleeding

Side Effect Profile Drug interactions

Efficacy

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Given the pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic profile of clopidogrel and ticagrelor, which is a limitation and concern when switching from ticagrelor?

- A. Inhibition of platelet aggregation peak effect with clopidogrel occurs faster than ticagrelor, within 2 hours after dose
- B. Clopidogrel is a pro- drug and provides reversible platelet inhibition
- C. Ticagrelor changes the conformation of the binding site for clopidogrel
- D. Clopidogrel provides faster, greater, and more consistent P2Y12 inhibition

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Randomized double-blind assessment of the ONSET and OFFSET of the antiplatelet effects of ticagrelor *versus* clopidogrel in patients with stable coronary artery disease. The ONSET/OFFSET study

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ONSET/OFFSET

Purpose

- Determine the onset and offset of the antiplatelet effect of ticagrelor compared with high-loading-dose clopidogrel and placebo in stable CAD patients

Methods

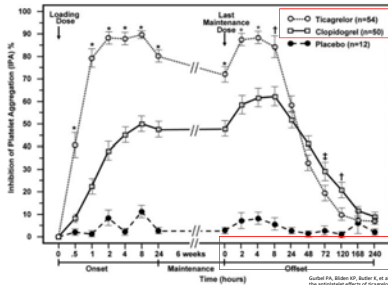
- 1:1:1 randomization to clopidogrel, ticagrelor, and placebo
- Loading dose of Ticagrelor 180mg or Clopidogrel 600mg followed by maintenance 12 hrs later x 6 weeks

Outcomes

- **Primary Outcome**
- Onset: IPA at 2 hours after the first dose
- Offset: Slope of IPA between 4 and 72 hours after the last dose

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Results



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Pharmacodynamic Effects of Switching From Ticagrelor to Clopidogrel in Patients With Coronary Artery Disease: SWAP-4

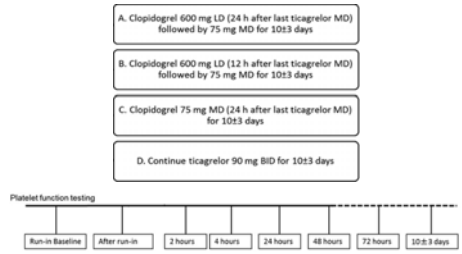
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SWAP-4

Study	Population
<p>Prospective, randomized, open-label, single-center study</p> <p>Assessed pharmacodynamic effects of switching from ticagrelor to clopidogrel in patients with CAD on ASA therapy</p>	<p>Inclusion:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) angiographically documented CAD 2) clinically stable on maintenance therapy with aspirin and clopidogrel 3) age 18 -80 <p>Exclusion:</p> <p>History of intracranial bleeding, hepatic impairment, active bleeding or propensity to bleed, hemodynamic instability</p>

Franks E, Rubin E, Ross (sic) L, et al. Pharmacodynamic Effects of Switching From Ticagrelor to Clopidogrel in Patients With Coronary Artery Disease: Results of the SWAP-4 Study. Circulation. 2018;137(12):2460-2467

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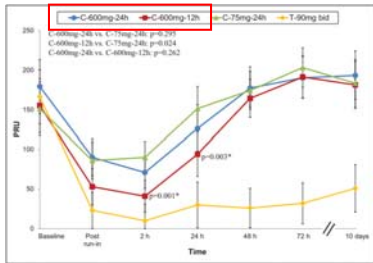
Intervention- SWAP-4

- Primary Endpoint**
 - Superiority of C-600 mg-24h versus C-75 mg-24h after switching from ticagrelor based on PRU levels at 48 hours
- Secondary Endpoint**
 - Comparison of PRUs (other than the primary end point), maximal platelet aggregation, and maximal platelet aggregation in all 4 groups

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SWAP- 4 PRU Results

Primary Outcome



Prasanna K. Saha, F. Davis, et al. Pharmacokinetics Effects of Switching from Ticagrelor to Clopidogrel in Patients with Acute Coronary Syndrome. *Journal of Clinical Pharmacy and Therapeutics*. 2018; 43(3):305-312.

Study Question

Does switching from ticagrelor to clopidogrel increase major adverse cardiovascular events?

Background- NMH Protocol

*Previous protocol recommended waiting 24 hours before first clopidogrel dose

Ticagrelor to Clopidogrel Switching		
Loading Dose	Maintenance Dose	Loading Dose
Ticagrelor 180 mg	Ticagrelor 90 mg Q 12 hrs (start 12 hours after loading dose)	Clopidogrel 600 mg x1 (load next AM, i.e. 12 hours after Ticagrelor dose) Then Clopidogrel 75 mg daily (start the next day)

Purpose of Study

- Our study aims to look at MACE events during de-escalation from ticagrelor to clopidogrel based on updated NMH protocol with 12 hour loading dose
- Our objective will be to determine if the current protocol dosing regimen based on the recent SWAP-4 trial is effective and safe in terms of MACE events



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- 894- bed academic medical center
- Primary teaching affiliate of Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine
- U.S. News Ranking
 - #7 Cardiology
 - #10 Best Hospital Honor Roll



Methodology

Design
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Retrospective Cohort (August 2016-November 2018)• 1 arm- switching from ticagrelor to clopidogrel following NMH protocol for P2Y12 switching

Inclusion Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Age \geq 18 years• Treated with PCI during hospitalization and switched from ticagrelor to clopidogrel during the same hospitalization• Patients who were previously stented and switched from ticagrelor to clopidogrel during subsequent admission



Exclusion Criteria

- History of intracranial bleeding
- Hepatic impairment
- Active bleeding or propensity to bleed
- Platelet count <80
- Hgb <10 g/dL
- Pregnant patients
- Oral anticoagulation
- 3rd degree AV block during hospitalization
- CYP 3A4 inhibitors
- CYP 3A4 inducers
- EGFR <30mL/min



Primary and Secondary Outcomes

Primary Outcome: Descriptive

- MACE Events up to 1 year: cardiac mortality, non-fatal MI, coronary revascularization

Secondary Outcome: Chi-Square

- Bleeding as defined by the GUSTO criteria
 - Severe or Life-threatening
 - Moderate
 - Mild
- All Cause Mortality

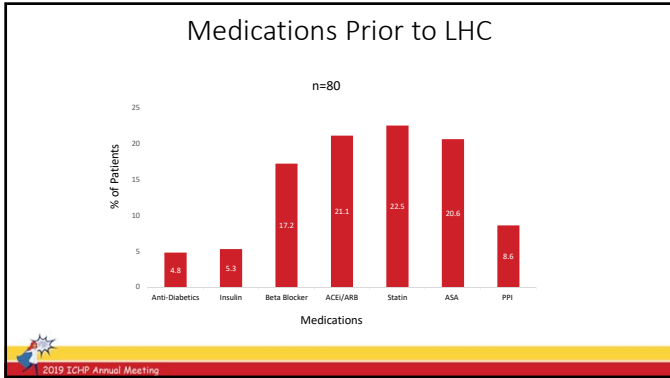
*Statistics run on SPSS

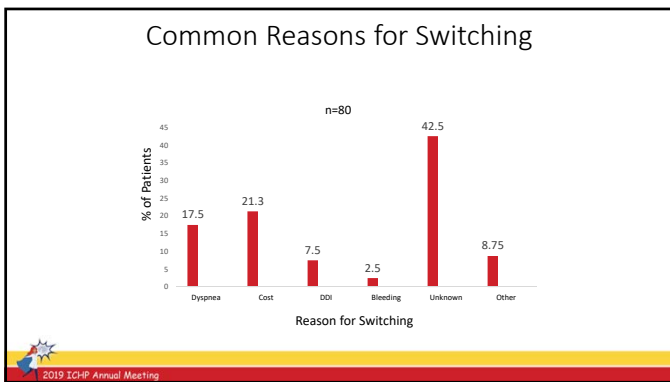


Results- Demographics

Characteristics	n=80	Characteristics	n=80 n(%)
Age (y)	64	HTN	61 (76)
Men n (%)	52 (65)	Dyslipidemia	49 (61.3)
BMI (kg/m ²)	29.7	Smoking Hx	34 (42.5)
Race (%)		PAD	24 (30)
White	60.8	Diabetes	20 (25)
African American	27.6	HF	19 (23.8)
Other	11.6	Previous PCI	18 (22.5)
		CKD	17 (21.3)
		Previous CABG	11 (13.8)
		Previous stroke	4 (5)







Major Adverse Cardiovascular Events

Primary Outcomes

Outcome	n (%)
MACE Event	17 (21.3)
Cardiac Mortality	3 (3.75)
Non-Fatal MI	6 (7.5)
Coronary Revascularization	8 (10)
No Event	63 (78.7)

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Results

Treatment Data	MACE n=17	Non-MACE n=63	p-value
Appropriately loaded with clopidogrel 600mg n(%)	13(76.5)	56(88)	0.234
Average days between P2Y12 switching	15.7	43.6	0.285
Average time between last ticagrelor dose and first clopidogrel dose (hours)	13	14	0.519



Secondary Outcomes

Outcome	MACE n=17 n(%)	Non-MACE n=63 n(%)	p-value
Bleeding Event	1 (25)	3(75)	1.0
All Cause Mortality	3(75)	1(25)	--



Limitations

- MACE events may have occurred at outside hospital (OSH) and not documented at NMH
- If switch occurred outpatient or at OSH, appropriate time was not documented from last dose
- Searching through patient's chart for MACE events when it was not appropriately documented may have caused it to be missed
- Bleeding events may have been missed based on search through chart



Conclusions

- Average time between ticagrelor and clopidogrel dose was not statistically significant between patients who had a MACE event and those who did not
- Days from initiation of ticagrelor to start of clopidogrel was not statistically significant between patients who had a MACE event and those who did not
- Secondary outcomes of bleeding and all cause mortality were not statistically significant between patients with MACE events and no MACE event
- Future direction will be to compare MACE events with switching before implementation of new protocol with 24hrs vs. 12hrs



Evaluation of Antibiotic Prescribing and Time to Administration in Febrile Neonates in the Emergency Department

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Learning Objectives for Pharmacists

1. Discuss the pathophysiology and management of late-onset neonatal sepsis presenting from the community
2. Describe the barriers to timely administration of appropriate antibiotics in late-onset sepsis and interventions to optimize care



What are the common organisms of concern in patients with late-onset neonatal sepsis presenting from the community?

- A. MRSA, E. Coli, Listeria monocytogenes
- B. Group B streptococcus, E. Coli, Enterobacter species
- C. Group B streptococcus, Listeria monocytogenes, E. Coli
- D. Group B streptococcus, E. Coli, MRSA



What is the goal time to antimicrobial administration in patients presenting with neonatal sepsis?

- A. 120 minutes
- B. 90 minutes
- C. 60 minutes
- D. 30 minutes



Background

- Febrile neonates have significant risk of serious bacterial infections
 - Incidence: 10-20%
 - Mortality: 10%
- Lack clinical signs and symptoms of infection
- Goal time to antibiotics: ≤ 60 minutes

2019 ICHP Annual Meeting Sharief et al. The Journal of Emergency Medicine, Vol. 21, No. 2, pp. 1-6, 2001
Sharief et al. Korean Med Sci 2006; 21: 839

Background

- Jain et al.
 - Evaluated febrile neonates in 36 pediatric emergency departments (ED) in the US
 - 83% of patients received recommended management
- Two studies found a decrease in time to antibiotic administration in febrile neonates post protocol implementation

	PRE PROTOCOL	POST PROTOCOL
Cohen et al	97 minutes	64 minutes
Sharief et al	142 minutes	102 minutes

2019 ICHP Annual Meeting Jain et al. Pediatrics 2014;133:187-191
Cohen et al. Pediatric Emergency Care 2006; 22(11):839-842

Neonatal Sepsis

Early-onset

- Within 72 hours of postnatal age
- *Up to 7 days
- Vertical transmission

COMMON PATHOGENS

- Group B *Streptococcus*
- *Escherichia coli*
- *Listeria monocytogenes*

Late-onset

- Beyond 72 hours of postnatal age
- *After 7 days
- Horizontal transmission

COMMON PATHOGENS

- Coagulase-negative *Staphylococcus*
- MSSA/MRSA
- *Listeria monocytogenes*
- Group B *Streptococcus*
- *Escherichia coli*
- *Enterobacter species*
- *Klebsiella species*

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Neonatal Sepsis

Antimicrobial therapy

Early-onset	Community Acquired Late-onset	Hospital Acquired Late-onset
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ampicillin + gentamicin Ampicillin + cefotaxime/ceftazidime 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ampicillin + gentamicin Ampicillin + cefotaxime/ceftazidime 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vancomycin + gentamicin Vancomycin + cefotaxime/ceftazidime

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Currently at UI Health ED

In the emergency department, time to antibiotic therapy and appropriateness of therapy have not been formally evaluated in this patient population

Pediatric antimicrobial stewardship sub-committee formation

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Outcomes

Primary outcomes

- Determine which antibiotics are being ordered and administered to febrile neonates in the emergency department
- Determine the time (in minutes) to antibiotic administration from triage time

Secondary outcomes

- Evaluate appropriateness of empiric antibiotic regimens ordered and administered (drug, dose, route, frequency and order priority)
- Evaluate activity of empiric antibiotic regimen against isolated pathogens
- Identify potential barriers to timely and appropriate antibiotic therapy

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Study Design

Retrospective chart review

Patient population: febrile neonates

Study period: 01/01/2012 – 09/30/2018

Sample size: 47 patients

Descriptive statistics



Patient Selection

Inclusion Criteria

- Patients aged \leq 28 days who present to the UI Health ED with a fever
- ICD 9 diagnosis codes: 780.6, 778.4, 780.60, 780.61
- ICD 10 diagnosis codes: P81.8, P81.9, R50

Exclusion Criteria

- Patients aged $>$ 28 days
- Patients who did not receive antibiotics during encounter



Data Collection

DEMOGRAPHICS

- Postnatal age
- Gestational age
- Sex
- Race
- Ethnicity
- Weight (kg)

RESULTS

- Temperature \geq 38°C
- CSF components – WBC, RBC, protein and glucose
- Blood, urine, CSF culture
- Urinalysis – LE, WBC, nitrites
- CRP
- Herpes simplex virus PCR test



Data Collection

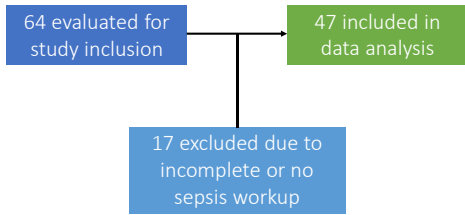
DATES & TIMES

- Registration
- Triage
- Temperature $\geq 38^{\circ}\text{C}$, if applicable
- Initial antimicrobials ordered
- Administered antimicrobial regimen
 - Verified by pharmacist
 - Administered
- Line placement
- Blood, urine, CSF cultures
- Urinalysis
- Respiratory viral panel
- CRP
- Herpes simplex virus PCR test
- Hospital admission, if applicable
- Nursing assessment



Results

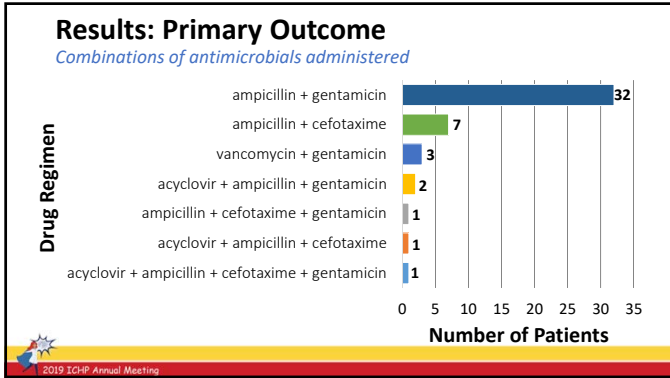
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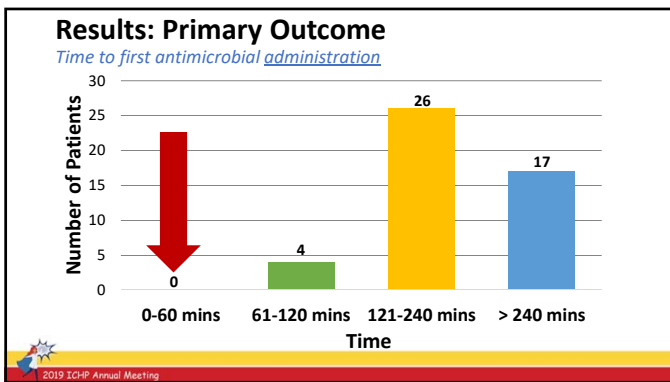


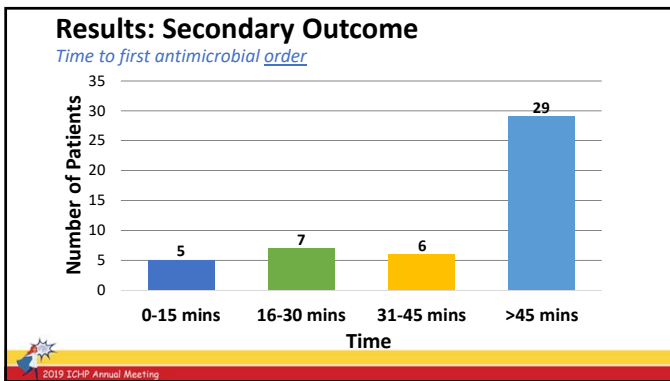
DEMOGRAPHICS, n=47

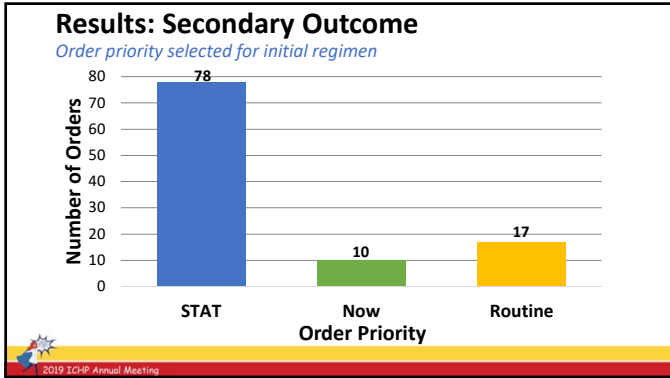
Postnatal age, days (mean \pm SD)	17.8 \pm 8.4
Gestational age, weeks (mean \pm SD)	39.3 \pm 2.2
Sex, n (%)	
Female	22 (47)
Male	25 (53)
Race, n (%)	
African American	25 (53)
White	8 (17)
Other	14 (30)
Ethnicity, n (%)	
Hispanic or Latino	11 (23)
Non-Hispanic or Latino	36 (77)











Results: Secondary Outcome

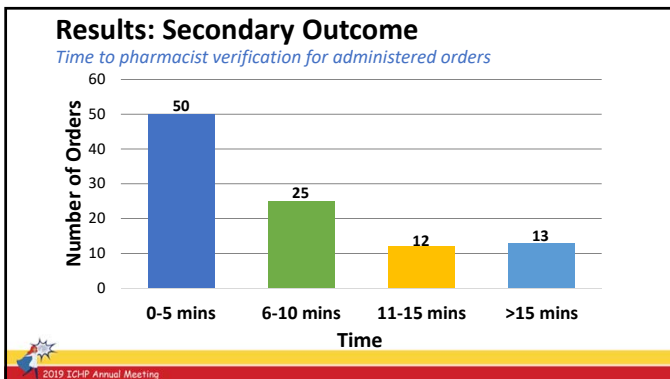
Doses ordered in initial regimen

± 10% error allowed for dose based on recommended dose

	Recommended Dose (mg/kg/dose)	Number of Patients with Appropriate Doses, n (%)
Acyclovir, n=8	20	5 (63)
Ampicillin, n=44	100	22 (50)
Ampicillin/sulbactam, n=1	33-50*	0
Cefotaxime, n=13	50	10 (77)
Ceftazidime, n=1	50	1 (100)
Gentamicin, n=36	5	31 (86)
Vancomycin, n=2	15	2 (100)

*Ampicillin/sulbactam dosing depends on gestational age

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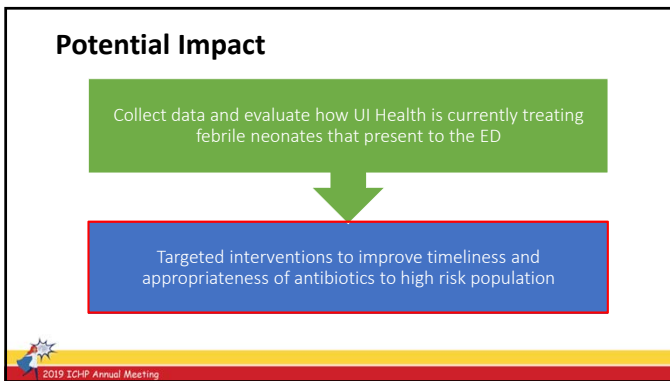
Results

Number of positive cultures & organisms grown

Blood Culture Results n=44		Urine Culture Results n=31		CSF Culture Results n=29	
Positive, n	4	Positive, n	8	Positive, n	1
Organisms, n		Organisms, n		Organism, n	
E. coli	2	E. coli	6	E. coli	1
Coagulase negative staphylococcus	1	Klebsiella pneumoniae & Enterococcus	1	CSF – Cerebrospinal fluid	
Staphylococcus hominis	1	Staphylococcus aureus	1		

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- ### Conclusions
- The majority of antimicrobials administered in the UI Health ED for neonatal sepsis are ampicillin and gentamicin.
 - Antimicrobial regimens being administered are appropriately covering typical organisms of concern in neonates.
 - The time to first antimicrobial administration at UI Health is longer than the recommended 60 minutes in all collected cases.
 - Potential barriers to timely antibiotic administration include delays in order entry and incorrect drug dosing on initial order entry.
 - Prescribers are selecting STAT for the majority of initial regimen orders.
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Interventions

Guideline	Order sets	Staff education
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Resource for all hospital staff• Increase awareness of patient risk and appropriate management• Improve time to first order entry	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appropriate drug, dose and order priority selection• Improve initial dose accuracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Educate on current gaps in practice• Educate on guideline and order set

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What are the common organisms of concern in patients with late-onset neonatal sepsis presenting from the community?

- A. MRSA, E. Coli, Listeria monocytogenes
- B. Group B streptococcus, E. Coli, Enterobacter species
- C. Group B streptococcus, Listeria monocytogenes, E. Coli
- D. Group B streptococcus, E. Coli, MRSA

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What is the goal time to antimicrobial administration in patients presenting with neonatal sepsis?

- A. 120 minutes
- B. 90 minutes
- C. 60 minutes
- D. 30 minutes

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Questions?