

Acute changes in metabolic parameters after bolus fluid treatment in critically ill patients

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Plain English summary of protocol

Background and study aims

Seriously ill patients in an intensive care ward often need to have fluid therapy as part of their treatment. This is especially the case for patients who have lost blood or fluids and so do not have enough blood circling around their body (hypovolemia). Hypovolemia is seriously detrimental for patients, as it is accompanied by low cardiac output (volume of blood being pumped by the heart) and insufficient delivery of oxygen to the body's tissues. It is widely acknowledged that IV fluid administration (giving fluids through a drip) should be closely monitored in order to avoid hypovolemia or hypervolemia (fluid overload, often a consequence of treating hypovolemia incorrectly). Assessing changes in cardiac output after giving fluids is a reliable method of evaluating patient's response to treatment, however this may not show the long-term consequences. The aim of this study is to investigate the effects of bolus fluid treatment (of a single, large amount of fluid through a drip) on oxygen delivery to bodily tissues.

Who can participate?

Adults with suspected hypovolemia who are being treated in ICU at CHU-Brugmann (Belgium).

What does the study involve?

For all patients, before they receive the fluid bolus (single delivery of a large amount of fluid), samples of blood from veins and arteries are taken so that the amount of oxygen present can be measured. The results are then used to calculate the amount of oxygen being delivered to the different tissues in the body and how the tissues are using the oxygen. At the same times, a scan of the heart is performed with a special ultrasound probe to measure cardiac output.

What are the possible benefits and risks of participating?

There are no direct benefits or risks involved with participating in this study.

Where is the study run from?

CHU-Brugmann (Belgium)

When is the study starting and how long is it expected to run for?

October 2014 to March 2016

Who is funding the study?
CHU-Brugmann (Belgium)

Who is the main contact?
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Type(s)
Scientific

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1171980

Study information

Scientific Title
Evaluating the changes of cardiac output, oxygen and CO₂ derived variables and lactate before and after bolus fluid treatment in critically ill patients with suspected hypovolemia

Study objectives
Metabolic parameters' changes may be used in the assessment of bolus fluid treatment (BFT) response in clinical practice.

Ethics approval required
Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)
CHU-Brugmann's Ethical Committee, 14/01/2015, ref: CE2014/122

Study design
Observational cross sectional single-center study

Primary study design

Observational

Study type(s)

Other

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Critically ill patients with suspected hypovolemia

Interventions

Patients are included in the study if they needed to receive intravenous fluids consisting of 500 ml of colloids or 1000 ml of crystalloids within 30–50 minutes. The decision to administer bolus fluids is made by the attending physician.

Cardiac index (CI) is measured by using doppler echocardiography or thermodilution (PiCCO®, EV1000®, Swan-Ganz®) just prior to the start of BFT. Arterial and central venous blood sampling and analysis are simultaneously conducted. No interventions are allowed after the start of fluid administration. At the end of fluid administration, the CI measurement and arterial and central venous blood sampling are repeated.

Intervention Type

Procedure/Surgery

Primary outcome(s)

1. Oxygen consumption (VO₂) is calculated using the formula arterial oxygen content-Venous oxygen content before and after bolus fluid treatment
2. Oxygen delivery (DO₂) is calculated using the formula $10 \times CI \times$ arterial oxygen content before and after bolus fluid treatment

Key secondary outcome(s)

No secondary outcome measures

Completion date

30/03/2016

Eligibility**Key inclusion criteria**

1. Patient treated in ICU
2. Suspicion of hypovolemia that must be treated
3. Available central venous and arterial catheter
4. Available method for cardiac output measurement (thermodilution, doppler)

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Sex

All

Key exclusion criteria

1. Aged under 18 year
2. No jugular or subclavian venous catheter and arterial catheter
3. Individuals on whom it is not possible to measure cardiac output
4. Patients receiving extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO) support
5. Receipt of interventions (i.e. introduction or increase in the dose of inotropes, changes or introduction of mechanical ventilation) within 30 minutes prior to fluid administration

Date of first enrolment

15/01/2015

Date of final enrolment

31/07/2015

Locations

Countries of recruitment

Belgium

Study participating centre

CHU-Brugmann

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Brussels

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Sponsor information

Organisation

CHU-Brugmann

ROR

<https://ror.org/011apjk30>

Funder(s)

Funder type

Hospital/treatment centre

Funder Name
CHU-Brugmann

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary
Available on request

Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
Participant information sheet	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes