

SQUEEZE STUDY

A prospective multi-centre international observational study of postoperative vasopressor use

Help us to find the evidence!

We suspect that post-operative vasopressor usage has increased in the last couple of years - concurrent with the decrease in volume of intra-operative fluid therapy.

The effect of post-operative vasopressor usage on patient outcome has never been assessed.

Additionally, we hypothesise that there is variation in the use of post-operative vasopressors and their effects on organ dysfunction, the use of organ support, and in clinical outcomes.

STEERING COMMITTEE

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SAMPLE SIZE

≥20 centres from ≥20 countries
a total of ≥52,000 patients
Enrolment period of 12 months



RESEARCH QUESTIONS

1. What proportions of patients receive infused vasopressors postoperatively?
2. What are the characteristics of patients, surgery and anaesthesia that lead to vasopressor therapy postoperatively?
3. What is the incidence of organ dysfunction in patients who receive vasopressors postoperatively?
4. How much variability is there in postoperative vasopressor use between hospitals, & between healthcare environments?

HOW TO GET INVOLVED?

Each hospital will need a principal investigator to co-ordinate recruitment of participants:

Study in 2 Steps:

1. During a seven day period collecting data from all patients* in each participating hospital to determine the incidence of vasopressor use and the factors associated with need for postoperative vasopressors.
2. 30 consecutive patients* that receive infused postoperative vasopressors.

*aged 18 years or over undergoing non-cardiac surgery (elective and emergency). Excluding day-case and obstetric surgery.

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All participating investigators will be listed as collaborators in the final publication.

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ENDORSEMENT

The European Society of Intensive Care Medicine (ESICM) has endorsed this study.



Questions?

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