## Hypothermia in Emergency Medicine: Treating Post Cardiac Arrest Injury

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Mention of non-FDA approved devices for hypothermia

## **Cooling and ischemia/reperfusion**

- May 20, 1999, 18:20
- 29yo F skier fell down gully, wedged under ice and water
- 18:27 "911 call" to Narvik Hospital
- 19:00 Pt stopped moving
- 19:39 Rescue team arrives





## **Cooling and ischemia/reperfusion**

- 19:56 air ambulance arrives
- **21:10** CPR continues, arrive at Tromso University Hospital
- 21:50 core temp 14.4°C, full cardiopulmonary bypass started, temp decreases to 13.7 °C
- 22:00 asystole converts to VF
- 22:15 spontaneous pulse esophageal temp 31.5°C

Lancet 355:375-376,2000.





## **Cooling and ischemia/reperfusion**

- 5 days ECMO
- 28 days ICU stay
- 35 days extubated
- 5 months residual partial paresthesias, has resumed hiking and skiiing



Lancet 355:375-376,2000.

# Hypothermia and clinical ischemia/reperfusion



## History of Therapeutic Hypothermia

Very old concept:

Hippocrates (450 BC) – packed injured patients in snow, ? improved survival



Baron Larrey, 1814 (battlefield surgeon) Cold acts on the living parts... [which] may remain... in [a] state of asphyxia without losing their life



Modern History of Therapeutic Hypothermia

Benson et al, 1959, showed benefit From hypothermia after cardiac arrest

Cooling fell out of favor for several decades...



Safar pioneers concept of induced hypothermia as treatment for cardiac arrest, extensive animal modeling

# Hypothermia: clinical treatment for post-cardiac arrest injury and death

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INDUCED HYPOTHERMIA AFTER OUT-OF-HOSPITAL CARDIAC ARREST

## TREATMENT OF COMATOSE SURVIVORS OF OUT-OF-HOSPITAL CARDIAC

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## **Cooling methods**

#### Surface cooling

Ice bags in addition to cooling blanket required in about 70% of pts to reach target temp

| TABLE | 1. | BASE-LINE | CHARACTERISTICS | OF | THE | PATIENTS. |
|-------|----|-----------|-----------------|----|-----|-----------|
|-------|----|-----------|-----------------|----|-----|-----------|

| Characteristic  | Normothermia<br>(N=138) | Hypothermia<br>(N=137) |  |
|---|-------------------------|------------------------|--|
| Age — yr  |                         | 1000 A. C.             |  |
| Median  | 59                      | 59                     |  |
| Interquartile range   | 49-67                   | 51-69*                 |  |
| Female sex — no./total no. (%)  | 32/138 (23)             | 33/137 (24)            |  |
| Medical history — no./total no. (%)   |                         |                        |  |
| Diabetes  | 26/138 (19)             | 11/135 (8)             |  |
| Coronary heart disease  | 59/138 (43)             | 43/135 (32)            |  |
| Cerebrovascular disease   | 11/138(8)               | 10/135(7)              |  |
| NYHA class III or IV†   | 16/132 (12)             | 14/130(11)             |  |
| Location of cardiac arrest - no. /total no. (%)                                       |                         |                        |  |
| Home  | 70/138 (51)             | 69/135 (51)            |  |
| Public place  | 53/138 (38)             | 48/135 (36)            |  |
| Other <sup>‡</sup>  | 15/138(11)              | 18/135 (13)            |  |
| Arrest witnessed — no. /total no. (%)§  | 136/138 (99)            | 134/137 (98)           |  |
| Presumed cardiac origin of arrest - no. /total no. (%)§                               | 135/138 (98)            | 135/137 (99)           |  |
| Ventricular fibrillation or pulseless ventricular tachycardia<br>— no./total no. (%)§ | 132/138 (96)            | 133/137 (97)           |  |
| Basic life support provided by bystander - no./total no. (%)                          | 68/138 (49)             | 59/137 (43)            |  |
| Interval between collapse and restoration of spontaneous circulation — min¶           | ತ್ರದೇಶನ ಸಾರ್ವಿ ಪರಿಭಾಗಿ  |                        |  |
| Median  | 22                      | 21                     |  |
| Interquartile range   | 17-33                   | 15-28                  |  |
| Total epinephrine dose — mg   | 22.12                   |                        |  |
| Median  | 3                       | 3                      |  |
| Interquartile range   | 1-6                     | 1-5*                   |  |
| Hypotension after resuscitation - no./total no. (%)                                   | 68/138 (49)             | 75/137 (55)            |  |
| Subsequent nonfatal arrest — no./total no. (%)  | 11/138 (8)              | 15/137 (11)            |  |
| Thrombolysis after resuscitation — no./total no. (%)                                  | 24/133 (18)             | 27/135 (20)            |  |

\*Data were not available for two patients.

†NYHA denotes New York Heart Association.

‡Other locations included a physician's office, the workplace, and the hospital.

\$Although this was a criterion for inclusion in the study, in a few cases, the initial information was incorrect.

¶Data were not available for three patients in the norm othermia group and four in the hypothermia group.

## **HACA Outcomes**

|                                       | Normothermia<br>(%) | Hypothermia<br>(%) | RR P value<br>(95% CI)        | e |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| At <u>6 months</u><br>Favorable Neuro | 54/137<br>(39%)     | 75/136<br>(55%)    | $\frac{1.4}{(1.08-1.81)}0.00$ | 9 |

- NNT ~ 6 patients
- More DM/CAD in controls
- ~20% of patients received thrombolysis (uncommon in U.S.)

#### Post cardiac arrest survival is poor Therapeutic hypothermia only effective tx known

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Weil and Tang ed. 1999, CPR

## AHA Guidelines for Therapeutic Hypothermia

#### Existing guideline, practice or training activity:

G2000:

Hemodynamically stable patients who develop a mild degree of hypothermia (>33°C) spontaneously after cardiac arrest should not be actively warmed. Mild hypothermia may be beneficial to neurological outcome and is likely to be well tolerated. However, hypothermia should not be induced actively after resuscitation from cardiac arrest.

ILCOR Advisory statement (2003):

Unconscious adult patients with spontaneous circulation after out-of-hospital cardiac arrest should be cooled to 32-34°C for 12-24 hrs when the initial rhythm was ventricular fibrillation (VF). Such cooling may also be beneficial for other rhythms or in-hospital cardiac arrests.

#### American Heart Association: Guidelines 2005 Recommendation

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MERGENCY DARDIOVASCULAR CAR

## Consensus 2005 "Chain of Survival"

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- Cooling attenuates multi-organ dysfunction
- Begin cooling as EARLY as possible
- Class IIa: Comatose out-of-hospital VF arrest
- Class IIb: Other rhythms and In-hospital Cardiac Arrest

# Therapeutic hypothermia utilization among physicians after resuscitation from cardiac arrest\*

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## **Post-Cardiac Arrest Injury and the Heart**

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Data compiled from studies reported by Brown CG (*N Engl J Med* 1992;327,1051), Kellermann AL (*JAMA* 1993;270:1433), and Lombardi G (*JAMA* 1994;271:678). ROSC = Restoration of spontaneous circulation. *Gazmuri, Weil and Tang ed.* 1999, Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation

#### Post Cardiac Arrest Survival is Post-ROSC Mortality is Significant Poor

- Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest
  - 30% ROSC rate
  - 10% survive 24h
  - 4% survive to hospital d/c

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Weil and Tang ed. 1999, CPR

## **Clinical Case of Cardiac Arrest**

- 02/8/07, Outside the hospital at 67<sup>th</sup> & King Drive
  - 52y woman collapses in passenger seat of private auto:
  - Friend drives her to the hospital
  - Triage nurse alerted, finds patient unresponsive in car
  - Patient transported inside the ER
- 2118: Ventricular Fibrillation

   CPR initiated, IVs established, patient intubated
- 2122: Defibrillation at 200J

# Clinical Case of Cardiac Arrest (con't)

- 2136: Return of Spontaneous Circulation (ROSC)!
  - After 3 rounds of epinephrine/atropine, vasopressin, amiodarone
  - 11 documented defibrillation attempts
- 2220: 1<sup>st</sup> liter 4°C NS infused, rectal T=37.5°C
- 2230:  $2^{nd}$  liter chilled saline, T= 37.5°C

## **Core Temperature**

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# Clinical Case of Cardiac Arrest (con't)

- Cardiac Catheterization Suite
  - Findings: Clean coronary arteries
  - Balloon pump placed
- Post-Resuscitation Syndrome:
  - Prolonged cardiogenic shock
  - Acute Renal Failure
  - Comatose x 5 days
- Extubated ~ Hospital Day 6
- Began conversing with family after 1 week, discharged home

# **Clinical Case Discussion**

- This patient demonstrated both early (cardiac) and later (neurological) post-cardiac arrest injury.
- At many steps along the way, this patient could have been pronounced "dead" by standard practice.
- Hypothermia induction within 1 hr of ROSC was associated with protection despite 40 min ischemia! (other factors likely include quality CPR)
- Learning how hypothermia "works" could significantly improve post-cardiac arrest care.

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## Therapeutic hypothermia and cardiac arrest in the laboratory: earlier cooling is better

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## Mouse Model of Cardiac Arrest

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# Whole body ischemia/reperfusion during mouse cardiac arrest

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Abella et al. Circulation. 2004;109:2786-2791

#### **EKG tracings during protocol**

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#### **B** Arrest induction

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#### C1 Intra-arrest, pre-CPR

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#### C2 Intra-arrest, during CPR

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#### Survival after cardiac arrest

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![](_page_29_Figure_2.jpeg)

Left ventricular pressure-volume loops A. baseline versus B. 2 hr post-resuscitation Abella et al. Circulation. 2004;109:2786-2791

#### Timing of Hypothermia during Cardiac Arrest in Mice

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Abella et al. Circulation. 2004;109:2786-2791

|           | ROSC | 6 hours Survival | 72 hours Survival |
|-----------|------|------------------|-------------------|
| Control   | 7/10 | 3/10*            | 1/10*             |
| Delayed   | 6/10 | 1/10*            | 1/10*             |
| Intra-arr | 9/10 | 7/10             | 6/10              |

Abella et al. Circulation. 2004;109:2786-2791

## Hypothermia and Heart Function

### Normothermia: Pressure-Volume conductance loops

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Zhao et al AHA abstract 2005

## Hypothermia and Heart Function

#### Intra-arrest cooling: Pressure-Volume conductance loops

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*Zhao et al AHA abstract 2005* 

#### Approach (mouse): Gene Array analysis of Heart Stress Responses Before and After Cardiac Arrest

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Pathway analysis of tissue changes

#### Hypothermia Attenuates Markers of Immunologic Dysfunction and Death in the Heart

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"a Sepsis-like Syndrome"

Adrie, Circulation 2002, 106:562-8

## Modeling the Post Cardiac Arrest Syndrome in our Patients:

- Hemodynamic instability
  - Myocardial dysfunction
  - Decreased systemic vascular resistance
- Inflammation (systemic inflammatory syndrome, SIRS)
  - ±leukocytosis
  - $-\pm$  hyperthermia
  - microvascular dysfunction
  - coagulopathy, decreased thrombolysis

**SIRS** Criteria

T >38°C or <36°C HR >90 bpm RR >20 bpm 12K < WBC < 4K (or >10% bands) Immunologic Dysfunction after Human Cardiac Arrest: the "Cytokine Storm"

#### Human Plasma IL-6 levels after 1.5 h ROSC

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Beiser, unpublished data

## A Possible Initiator of Inflammation: Oxidant Stress During CPR and After ROSC

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Figure 4. Aortic F<sub>2</sub>-isoprostane levels (pg/mL). *CPR*, cardiopulmonary resuscitation; *ROSC*, return of spontaneous circulation. Cardiac arrest group compared with the control group. Mean ( $\pm$ se), \*p < .0006.

![](_page_38_Picture_3.jpeg)

Idris. Crit Care Med. 2005;33(9):2043-2048

#### Role of Mitochondrial Oxidant Generation in Endothelial Cell Responses to Hypoxia

Daryl P. Pearlstein, Mir H. Ali, Paul T. Mungai, Karen L. Hynes, Bruce L. Gewertz, Paul T. Schumacker (Arterioscler Thromb Vasc Biol. 2002;22:566-573.)

![](_page_39_Figure_2.jpeg)

Figure 2. Changes in IL-6 gene expression in response to hypoxia. HUVECs were exposed to hypoxia for 6 hours before RNA collection for analysis of IL-6 message via Northern analysis. a, Effects of inhibitors of ET, NAD(P)H oxidase, and xanthine oxidase. b, Effects of ET inhibitors on the response to LPS.

## Studying Hypothermia at the Heart Cell Level: Optimal Timing of Cooling?

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Heart tissue

Cultured cardiac cells

![](_page_40_Picture_4.jpeg)

![](_page_40_Picture_5.jpeg)

Microscope Perfusion System

Vanden Hoek et al. Am J Physiol. 1996 Apr;270(4 Pt 2):H1334-41

#### Chick cardiomyocyte death during I/R and hypothermia

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Shao et al. Am J Physiol Heart Circ Physiol. 2007 In press

#### Delayed cooling abrogates hypothermia protection

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#### Intra-ischemia cooling enhances hypothermia protection

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Hypothermia timing and cardiac arrest: if earlier cooling is better, how do we induce intra-ischemic cooling in the clinical setting?

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#### --Cooling in a mouse during CPR is easy.

--Intra-ischemic cooling in patients during CPR is a heat transfer bioengineering challenge!

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Micro-particulate ice slurry for rapid cooling

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100 um

![](_page_45_Picture_5.jpeg)

## IV slurry in a swine model n=4 each

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# Hypothermia mechanism of action: how does cooling modulate oxidant stress?

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## **Good and Bad Oxidants:** a Critical Balance

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**PROTECTION** 

## Good and Bad Oxidants

## ADAPTATION PROTECTION

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![](_page_49_Picture_4.jpeg)

## Good and Bad Oxidants

H202 F62

No

## DYSFUNCTION

ONOO - DAMAGE

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### **DEATH PATHWAYS**

## Hypothermia and nitric oxide

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![](_page_52_Figure_0.jpeg)

Shao et al. Am J Physiol Heart Circ Physiol. 2007 In press

### Hypothermia protection blocked by a NOS inhibitor

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## One Critical Regulator of Good/Bad Oxidants: Akt Survival Kinase Signaling Pathway

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## Therapeutic hypothermia increases heart Akt phosphorylation in murine cardiac arrest

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## Heart Akt activity is increased by hypothermia in murine cardiac arrest

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## Sudden death resuscitation Learning from hypothermia to improve CPR:

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--Akt activation drugs (e.g. insulin/glucose)

--Oxidant modulation, not abrogation! a) Ventilation gasses that change good/bad oxidant balance quickly b) Iron chelators to decrease bad oxidants c) NOS activators plus cofactors (e.g. folate)

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