

## Surviving Sepsis Campaign Updates: What's New?

Jessie O'Neal, PharmD, BCCCP  
 Critical Care Clinical Pharmacist  
 University of New Mexico Hospital  
 New Mexico Society of Health-System Pharmacists  
 2017 Balloon Fiesta Symposium

## Disclosures

- ▶ Nothing to disclose



## Pharmacist Objectives

- ▶ Explain the new definitions of sepsis and septic shock
- ▶ Evaluate the new trials regarding early goal directed therapy
- ▶ Determine the appropriate use of albumin in severe sepsis and septic shock
- ▶ Understand the current literature regarding hemoglobin threshold in severe sepsis and septic shock

## Technician Objectives

- ▶ Describe the signs and symptoms of septic shock
- ▶ Demonstrate knowledge of importance of time to antibiotics based on the new core measure
- ▶ Understand use of vasopressors after fluid resuscitation

## Outline

- ▶ Background
- ▶ New definitions
- ▶ New articles discussing Early Goal Directed Therapy
- ▶ Unchanged recommendations
- ▶ Other guideline changes
- ▶ Patient Case
- ▶ Assessment questions

## Sepsis Epidemiology

- ▶ Kills 1 in 4 patients worldwide
  - Estimated to cost the U.S. healthcare system over \$20 billion in 2011
- ▶ Eleventh most common cause of death in the US
- ▶ Leading cause of mortality and critical illness worldwide

JAMA. 2016;315(8):801-810.

### What is the Surviving Sepsis Campaign?

- Collaboration between the Society of Critical Care Medicine and European Society of Intensive Care Medicine
- Utilize evidence-based guidelines for the management of sepsis and septic shock
- Most recent update in 2016




### Sepsis-3 Definitions

- Sepsis
  - Life-threatening organ dysfunction caused by a dysregulated host response to infection
  - Organ dysfunction represented by an increase in the Sequential Organ Failure Assessment (SOFA) score of  $\geq 2$  points



JAMA. 2016;315(8):801-810.

### Sepsis-3 Definitions

- qSOFA score: Use outside the hospital, ED, or general hospital floor
  - Suspected infection and the 2 of the following:
 

Q-Sofa Score	
RR	>22
GCS	<13
SBP	<100
  - Allows for rapid identification of being more likely to have poor outcomes

JAMA. 2016;315(8):801-810

### Sepsis-3 Definitions

- Septic Shock
  - Subset of sepsis in which particularly profound circulatory, cellular, and metabolic abnormalities are associated with a greater risk of mortality than sepsis alone
  - Clinical features:
    - Vasopressor requirement to maintain MAP >65 mmHg and serum lactate >2 mmol/L in the absence of hypovolemia

JAMA. 2016;315(8):801-810.

### Impact of Sepsis-3 Septic Shock Definition

- Recent secondary analysis of two early clinical trials with septic shock resuscitation
- Compared in-hospital mortality of the "old" definition of septic shock from 1991 to the Sepsis-3 definition
- 473 patients were included
  - 42.5% met Sepsis-3 v. 57.4% met old definition
  - Sepsis-3 criteria patients demonstrated higher SOFA scores and mortality of 29%
  - Old criteria patients still had significant organ failure and mortality of 14%

Crit Care Med 2017; 45:1436-1442

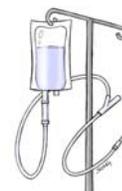
## Septic Shock Pathophysiology

- ▶ Features of multiple shock types
- ▶ Distributive (hypoperfusion) shock
  - Failure of the vascular smooth muscle to vasoconstrict
- ▶ Cardiogenic shock
  - Decreased cardiac contractility
- ▶ Hypovolemic shock
  - Loss of cardiac filling
- ▶ Cytotoxic shock
  - Inability to utilize oxygen at the cellular level

JAMA. 2016;315(8):801–810.

## 2012 Initial Resuscitation Recommendations

- ▶ Protocolized, quantitative resuscitation (early goal directed therapy) with specific goals related to
  - CVP
  - MAP
  - UOP
  - ScVO<sub>2</sub>



Crit Care Med. 2017; 45 (3) : 486–552

## 2016 Initial Resuscitation Recommendations

- ▶ Resuscitation from sepsis-induced hypoperfusion = at least 30 mL/kg of IV crystalloid be given within the first 3 hours
- ▶ Additional fluids guided by frequent reassessment of hemodynamic status
- ▶ Initial target MAP >65 mmHg in patients requiring vasopressors
- ▶ Guiding resuscitation to normalize lactate as a marker of tissue hypoperfusion

Crit Care Med. 2017; 45 (3) : 486–552

## EGDT Criticisms

- ▶ Unknown which part of the protocol made the most significant impact on mortality
  - Goal directed protocol
  - Addition of ScvO<sub>2</sub> monitoring
  - Both?
- ▶ Use of CVP as a resuscitation goal
  - Poor surrogate of blood volume in the critically ill
- ▶ Lactate was not included in the protocol in directing care
- ▶ To address controversies: PROCESS Trial

JAMA 2010;303:739–46

## ProCESS Trial

- ▶ Hypothesis:
  - Protocol-based therapy superior to standard care?
  - All aspects of the trial necessary?
    - Central hemodynamic monitoring
- ▶ Primary Outcome:
  - All cause in hospital mortality at 60 days

NEJM 2014; 370 (18) 1683–1693

## ProCESS Trial: Inclusion Criteria

- ▶ For research sites:
  - Academic hospital with >40,000 ED visits annually
  - Use of serum lactate as a method for screening for cryptogenic shock
  - No routine use of ScvO<sub>2</sub>
- ▶ For patients:
  - Similar to the Rivers trial
  - ≥ 2 SIRS criteria
  - Refractory Hypotension
  - Enroll within 12 hours of ED arrival

NEJM 2014; 370 (18) 1683–1693

### ProCESS Trial: Design

Protocol-based EGDT	Protocol-based Standard	Usual Care
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oximetric CVC</li> <li>CVP: 8-12 mmHg</li> <li>Map <math>\geq 65</math> mmHg</li> <li>ScvO<sub>2</sub> <math>\geq 70\%</math></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 large bore IV</li> <li>Fluids</li> <li>Vasopressors</li> <li>Transfusion goal (7.5 g/dL)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All decisions based on resuscitation team</li> </ul>

NEJM 2014; 370 (18) 1683-1693

### ProCESS Trial: Outcomes

- ▶ Primary outcome: No difference in 60 day in-hospital mortality between the 3 groups
- ▶ Secondary outcomes:
  - Reaching MAP goal: lowest in the usual care group
  - ICU admission: lowest in the protocol based group
  - AKI: lowest in the usual care group

NEJM 2014; 370 (18) 1683-1693

### ProCESS Trial: Conclusions

- ▶ Early identification of those in septic shock is crucial
- ▶ No mortality difference observed when comparing protocolized resuscitation to usual care
- ▶ Modernization of care may have reduced importance of strict hemodynamic monitoring and resuscitation goals

NEJM 2014; 370 (18) 1683-1693

### ARISE Trial

- ▶ Randomized 1600 patients with severe sepsis/shock
- ▶ 2 treatment arms- EGDT and usual care
- ▶ Protocol was very similar to PROCESS Trial
  - Antibiotic initiation was mandated prior to randomization



NEJM 2014; 371 (16) 1496-1506

### ARISE Trial: Outcomes

- ▶ No difference in primary outcome of all-cause mortality at 90 days
- ▶ Trial was limited by lower than expected mortality rate
  - Lead to underpowering
- ▶ Confirmed the results of the PROCESS Trial
  - Support moving away from EGDT as the default therapy for severe sepsis and septic shock

NEJM 2014; 371 (16) 1496-1506

### SSC Response

- ▶ October 2014
- ▶ “Results of the ProCESS and ARISE trials did NOT demonstrate any adverse outcomes in groups that utilized CVP and ScvO<sub>2</sub> as end points for resuscitation. Therefore no harm exists in keeping the current SSC bundles.”

### PROMISE Trial

- ▶ 1260 patients assigned to EGDT or usual care
- ▶ Primary Outcome: 90 day mortality
  - No difference between the treatment groups
- ▶ Increased use of fluids, vasoactive drugs, and transfusions in the EGDT group
  - Significantly worse organ-failure scores, longer ICU LOS, increased costs
- ▶ Again, EGDT didn't lead to improved outcomes

NEJM 2015; 372 (14) 1301-1311

### PRISM Meta Analysis

- ▶ All 3 trials failed to show that EGDT reduced mortality
  - 24.9% EGDT vs 25.4% usual care (P=0.68)
- ▶ EGDT was associated with greater mean use of intensive care days and cardiovascular support compared to usual care
  - 5.3 days vs 4.9 days; P=0.04
- ▶ Subgroup analysis showed no benefit in patients with "worse shock"

NEJM 2017; 376:23 2223-2234

### Unchanged recommendations

- ▶ Sepsis screening or performance improvement
- ▶ Diagnosis/Source Control
- ▶ Fluid Therapy
- ▶ Vasoactive medications
- ▶ Corticosteroids
- ▶ Blood products/Immunoglobulins
- ▶ Glucose Control
- ▶ Renal Replacement Therapy
- ▶ Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis
- ▶ Nutrition

Crit Care Med. 2017; 45 (3) : 486-552

### Antibiotic Therapy

- ▶ Empiric broad spectrum therapy with one or more antimicrobials should be started to cover all likely pathogens
- ▶ Defined empiric therapy, targeted/definitive therapy, broad-spectrum therapy, multi-drug therapy, and combination therapy
- ▶ De-escalation with discontinuation of combination therapy within the first few days with evidence of clinical improvement

Crit Care Med. 2017; 45 (3): 486-552

### Mechanical Ventilation

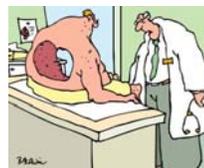
- ▶ Use NMBA's for <48 hours in adults with sepsis induced ARDS
- ▶ No change in recommendation against use of B-2 agonists for sepsis-induced ARDS without bronchospasm



Crit Care Med. 2017; 45 (3): 486-552

### Stress Ulcer Prophylaxis

- ▶ Either proton pump inhibitor or a histamine-2 receptor antagonist be used when stress ulcer prophylaxis is indicated



"Looks like you've lost your stomach for risk."

Crit Care Med. 2017; 45 (3) : 486-552

## Patient case

- ▶ MJ 65 year old woman
- ▶ PMH: HTN
- ▶ ED Presentation: 3 day history of chills, dysuria, dizziness, and dry mucous membranes
- ▶ Home medications: Amlodipine 10mg daily
- ▶ Vitals: 38.6°C, HR 125 BPM, BP 85/55 (MAP 65), RR 28 BPM, O<sub>2</sub> saturation 94% on room air

NEJM 2017; 376 (23) 2282-2285

## Patient Case

- ▶ Laboratory findings
- ▶ SCr 1.8 mg/dL, BUN 76 mg/dL, lactate 5.0 mmol/L, anion gap 25 mmol/L
- ▶ WBC 20.0 mm<sup>3</sup>, Hgb 9.0 g/dL
- ▶ Urinalysis: 3+ leukocyte esterase, >100 white cells/hpf, many bacteria

NEJM 2017;376 (23) 2282-2285

## Patient Case

- ▶ Based on the previous case the patient meets what definition of sepsis or septic shock?
- ▶ A. Sepsis
- ▶ B. Patient does not meet the definition of sepsis or septic shock
- ▶ C. Severe sepsis
- ▶ D. Septic shock

## Assessment questions

- ▶ Based on the case, what is the most appropriate initial fluid resuscitation strategy?
- ▶ A. Administer 2100 mL (30 mL/kg) of crystalloid fluid
- ▶ B. Administer crystalloid fluids to target a MAP >65, CVP 8-12, UOP >0.5 mL/kg/hr
- ▶ C. Administer 2100 mL of albumin
- ▶ D. Give no fluids and start norepinephrine

## Patient Case

- ▶ The Surviving Sepsis Campaign recommends antibiotic administration within 1 hour of diagnosis. How much time does CMS allow in their sepsis bundle?
- ▶ A. 1 hour
- ▶ B. 3 hours
- ▶ C. 24 hours
- ▶ D. No time specified

## Conclusions

- ▶ Sepsis and Septic shock definitions changed to be more broad and removing SIRS criteria
- ▶ 3 new clinical trials disproving the mortality benefit of early goal directed therapy
- ▶ New trials on the horizon regarding thrombomodulin and its use

## ► Questions?

NEWS ITEM: AVERAGE EMERGENCY ROOM WAIT NEARLY ONE HOUR, CDC SAYS.



YOUR CASE IS  
NOT ADVANCED  
IT'S BETTER TO  
CATCH THESE THINGS  
IN THE EARLY  
PHASES.

IT WAS ONLY  
A SMALL PAIN  
ON MY LEFT ARM  
I ARRIVED HERE.