

# aEEG and NIRS in the clinical setting (NICU)



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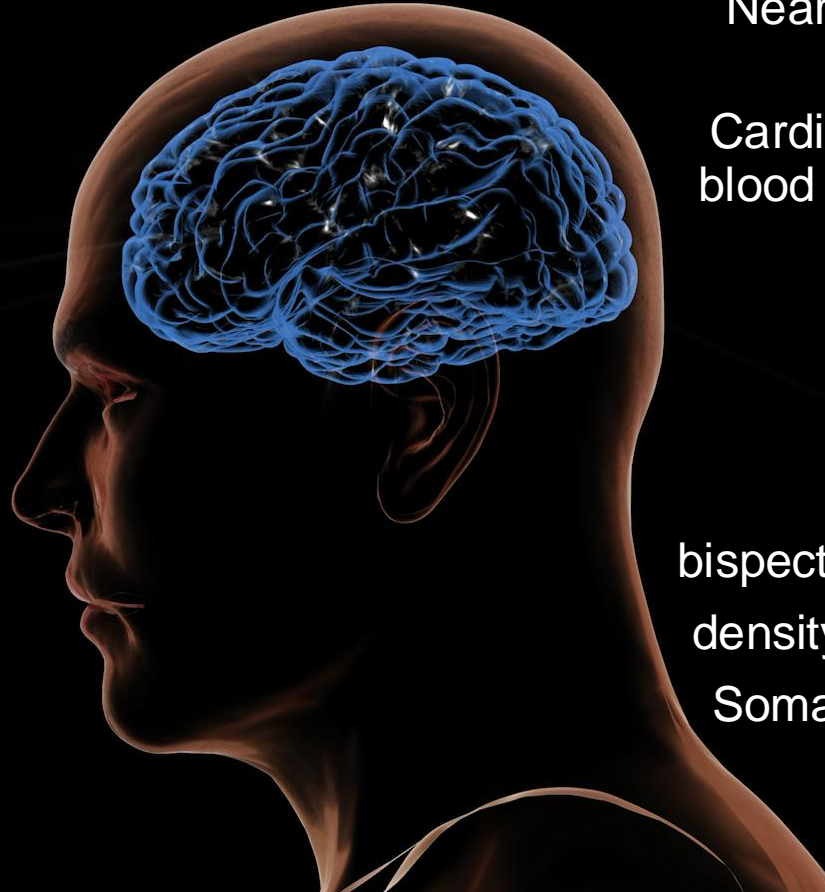
# Disclosure

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Labratory  
biomarkers,  
Microdialysis

Ultrasound, TCD,  
MRI, fMRI, CT

Clinical, e.g.  
Scores



Near-infrared spectroscopy  
(NIRS),  
Cardiac output, oxygenation,  
blood pressure, ICP, CPP etc.

EEG, cEEG,  
aEEG  
bispectral index monitor (BIS)  
density spectral array (DSA)  
Somatic evoked potentials

# Use right tools or all at once to see more...

Neuromonitoring	Clinics	CUS	aEEG/EEG/EP	NIRS	MRI
neonatal seizures	±	+	++	-	++
Asphyxia/HIE	++	+	++	+	++
Intracranial bleeding/ IVH/PHH	±	++	++	+	+
congenital heart disease	+	+	++	++	+
extremely preterm infant (<28wks)	+	++	++	±	+
Stroke (arterial/venous infarction)	±	+	+	-	++
Enzephalitis/Meningitis	+	±	++	-	+
cerebral malformation	+	+	+	-	++
metabolic disease	+	±	+	-	+



Perinatal asphyxia / HIE

Monitoring for seizures or clarifying apneas

Monitoring of antiepileptic drugs / sedation / relaxation

Course of Encephalopathy, e.g. metabolic diseases, Meningoencephalitis etc.

Monitoring of VLBW preterms (brain maturation, outcome prediction)

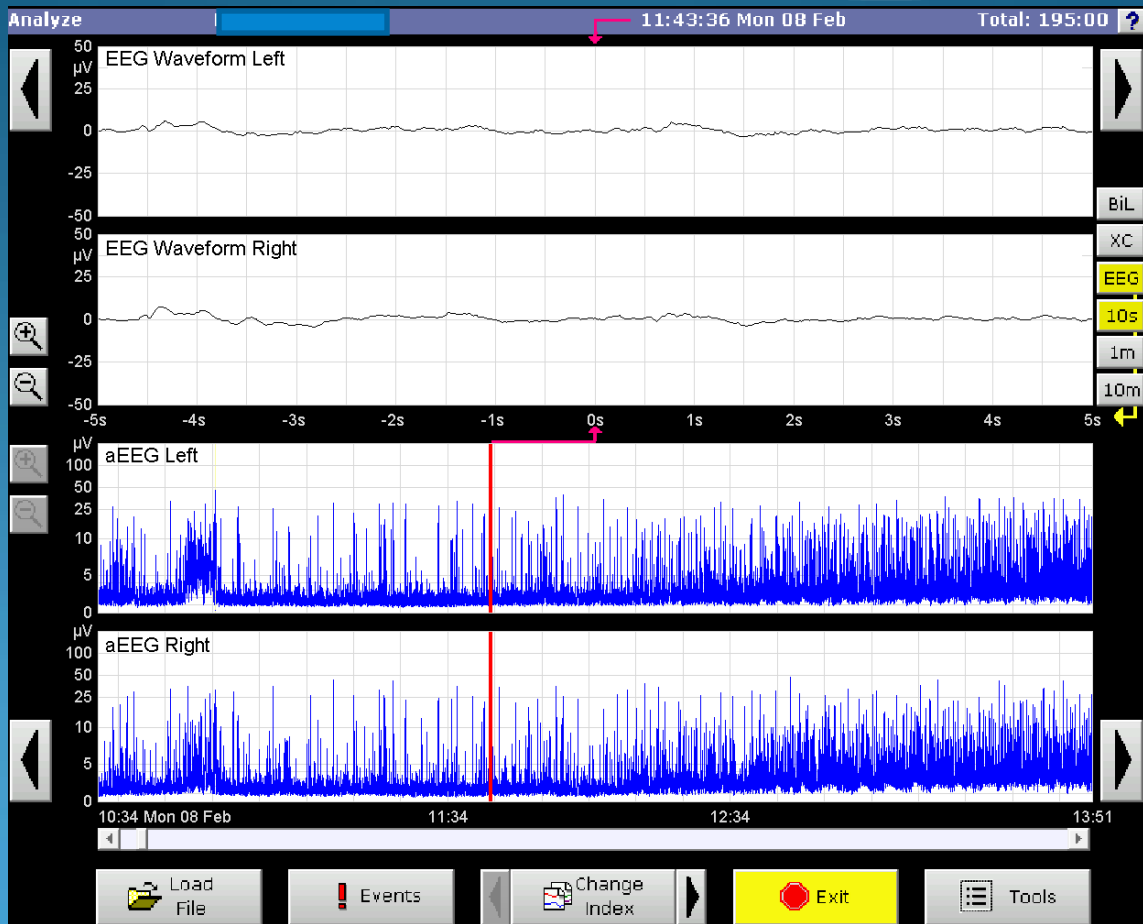
Monitoring of PHVD

postoperative, especially after cardiac surgery (together with NIRS)

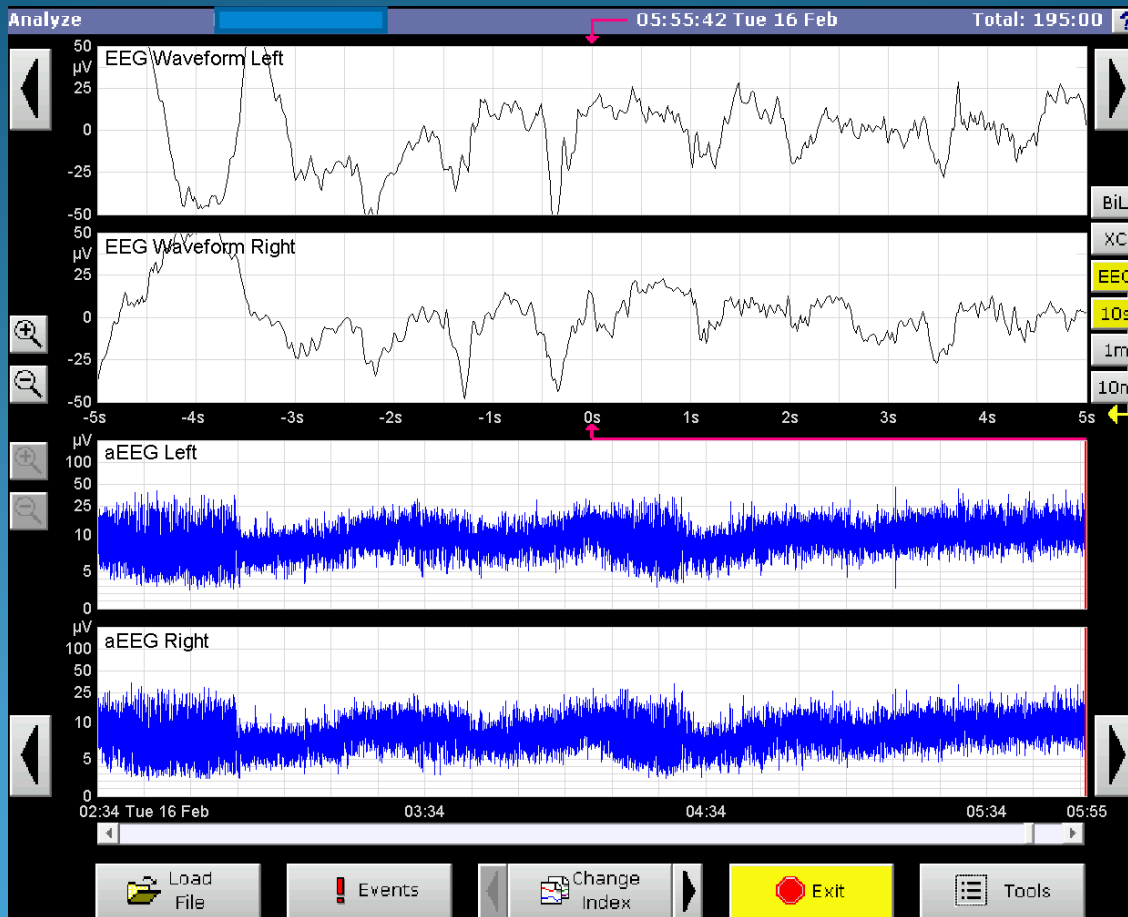
Cyclicality (somnology, minimal handling)



# Example for Asphyxia

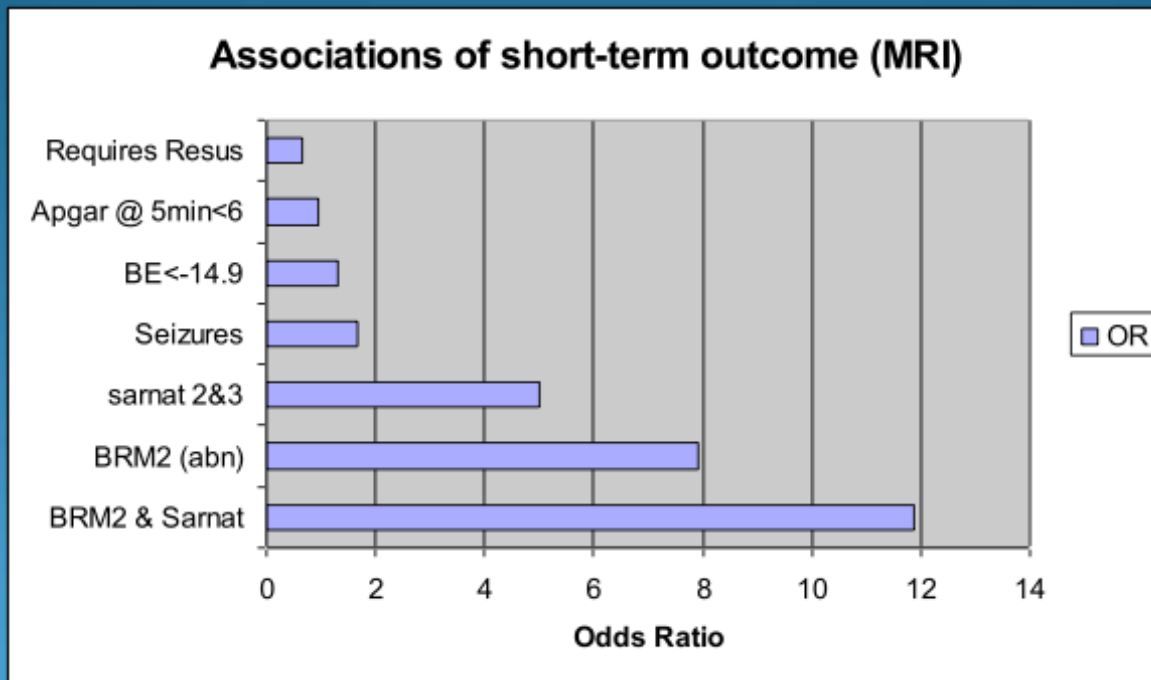








# In search of a predictive value...



- 1) al Naqeeb N, Edwards AD, Cowan FM, Azzopardi D (1999) Assessment of neonatal encephalopathy by amplitude-integrated electroencephalography. *Pediatrics* 103:1263-1271
- 17) Hellström-Westas L, Rosén I, Svenningsen NW (1995) Predictive value of early continuous amplitude integrated EEG recordings on outcome after severe birth asphyxia in full term infants. *Arch Dis Child* 72:F34-F38
- 45) Toet MC, Eken P, Groenendaal F, de Vries LS (1998) Comparison of amplitude integrated EEG in birth asphyxiated term neonates between 3 and 6 hours after birth. *Pediatr Res* 43, Part 2 of 2; Abstr 1902

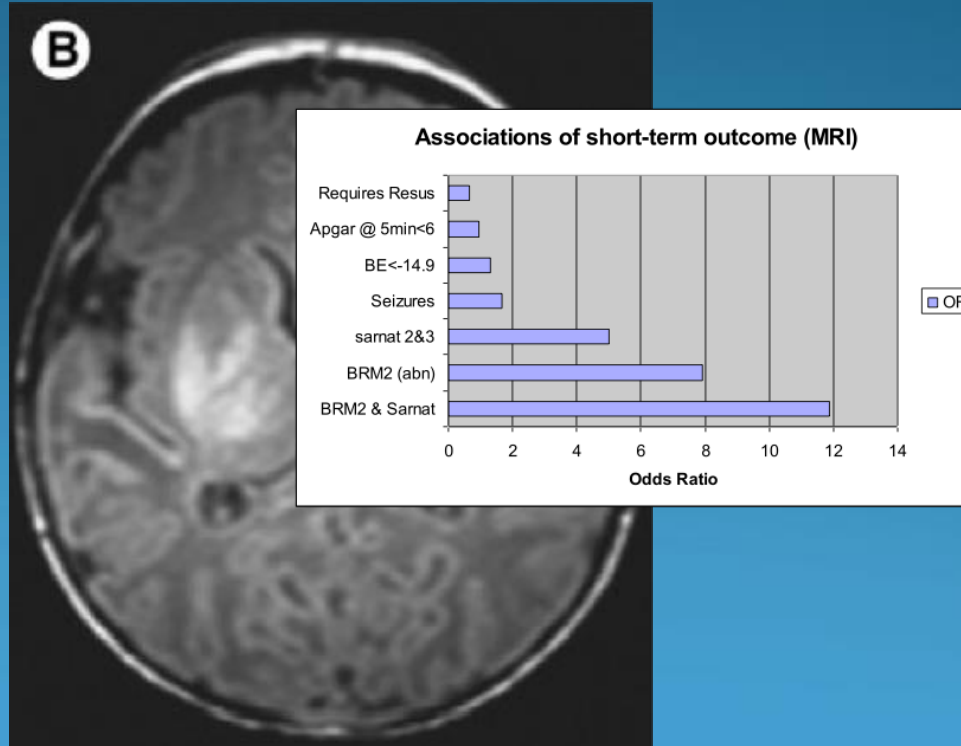
## Combining the studies above:

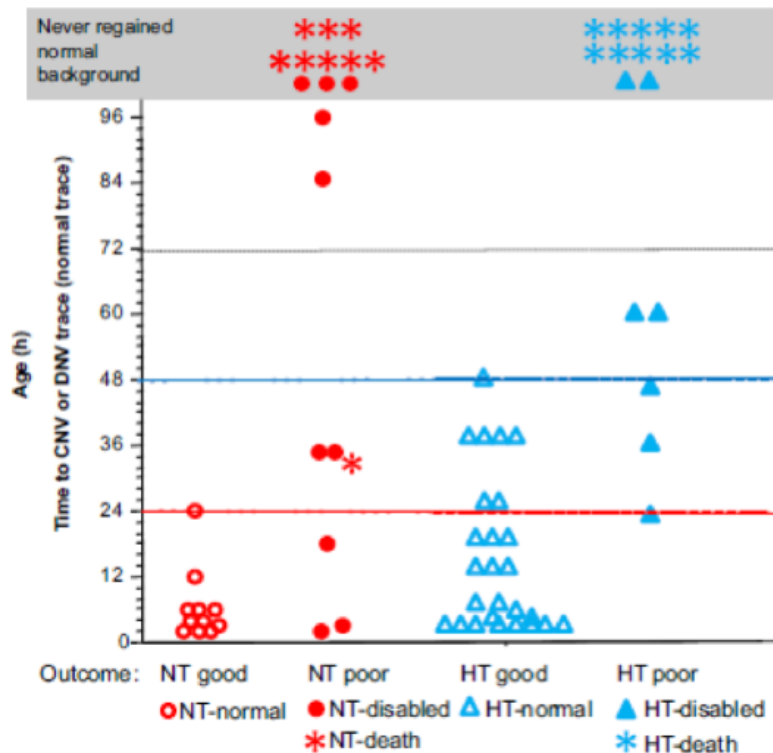
**61** patients with normal aEEG after asphyxia

**56** had no impairment and good outcome

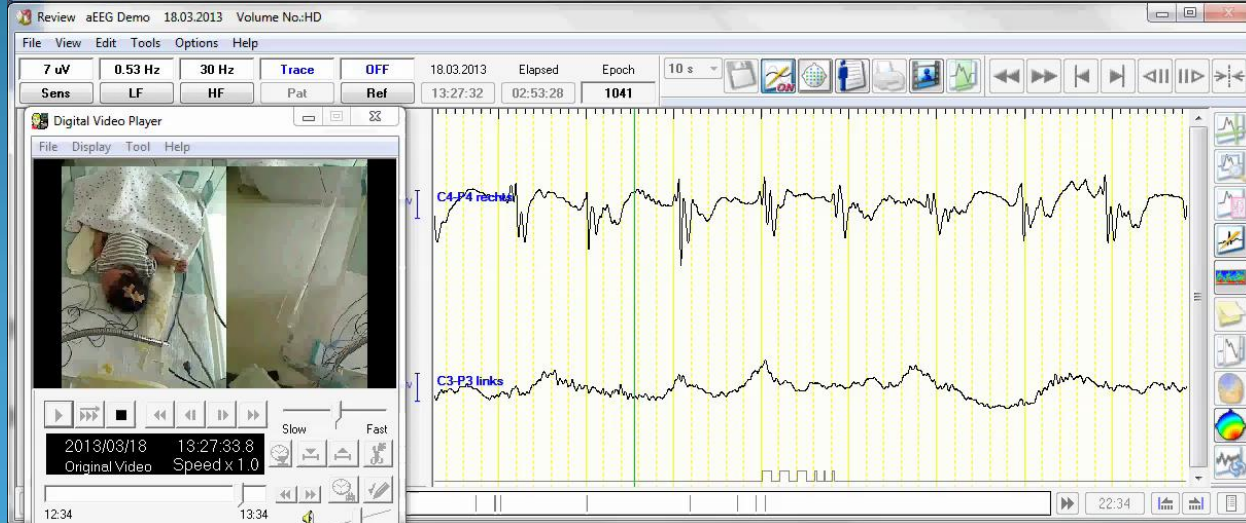
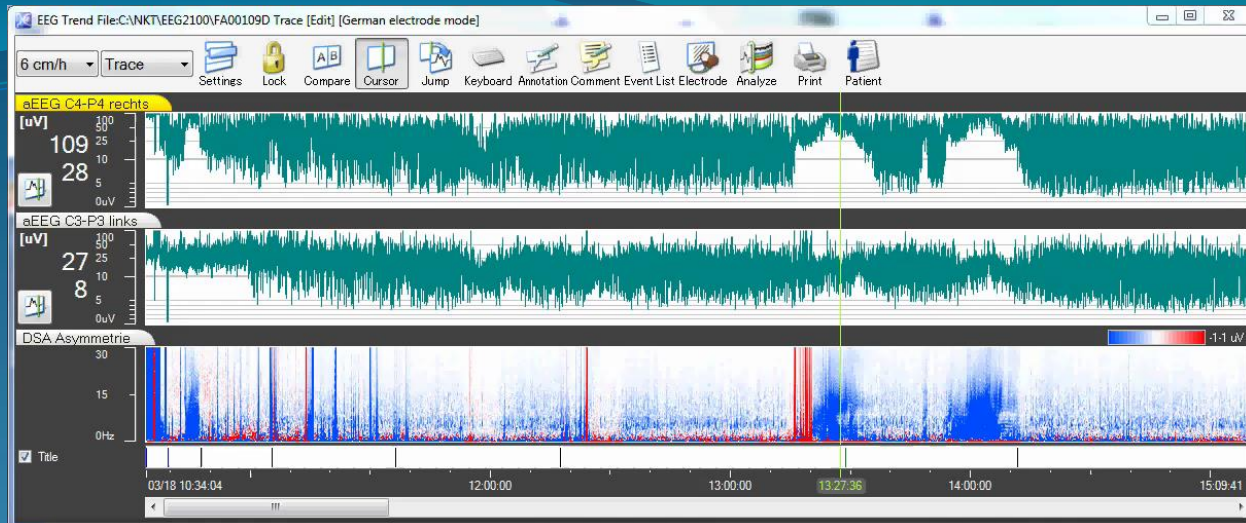
**5** had severe impairment or outcome death

## Be careful in cases with isolated damage to basal ganglia

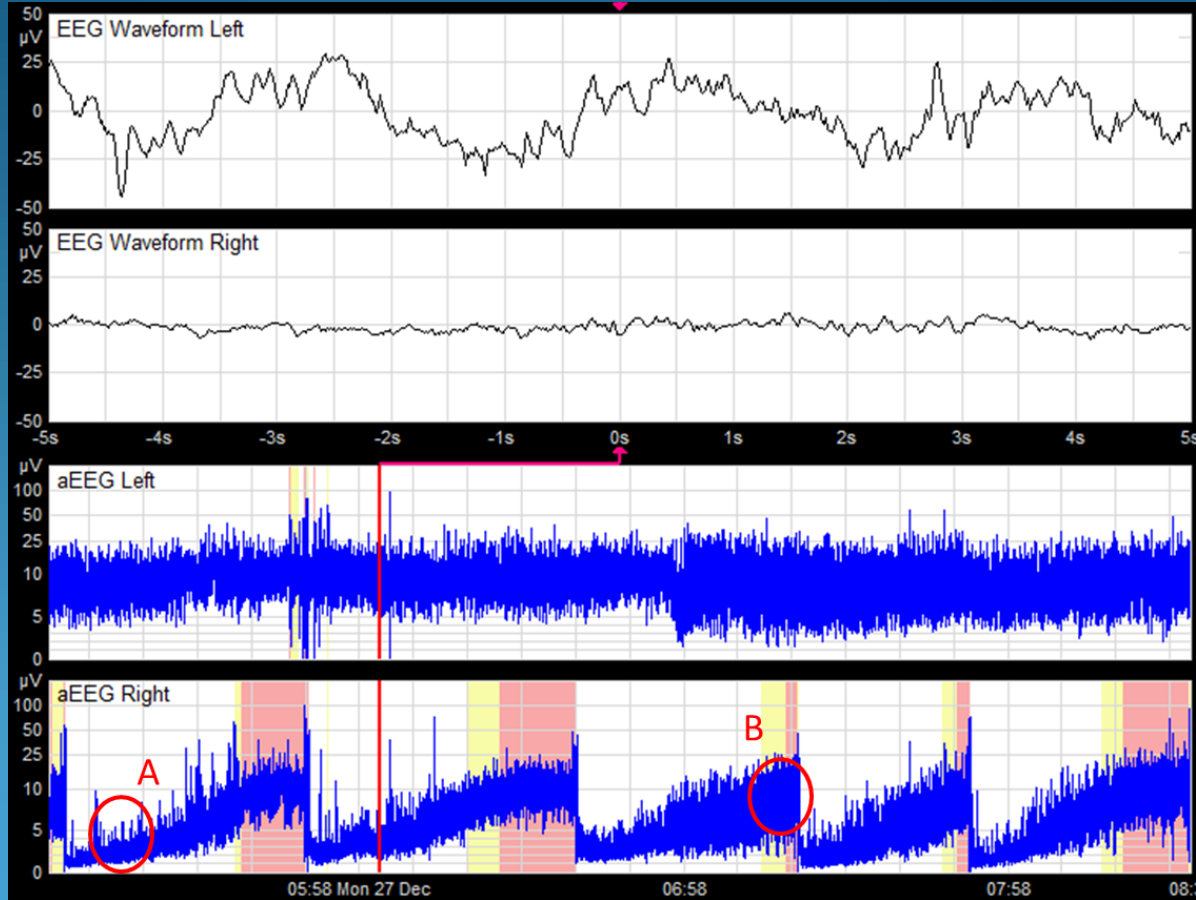




**Fig. 1.** Time to regain normal amplitude-integrated electroencephalogram trace is shown on the y-axis and infants who did not regain a normal trace within the recording time are plotted above the graph. Symbols that define outcome are listed below the x-axis. CNV, continuous normal voltage; DNV, discontinuous normal voltage (Reproduced with permission from Thoresen et al<sup>18</sup>).



# Mild asphyxia

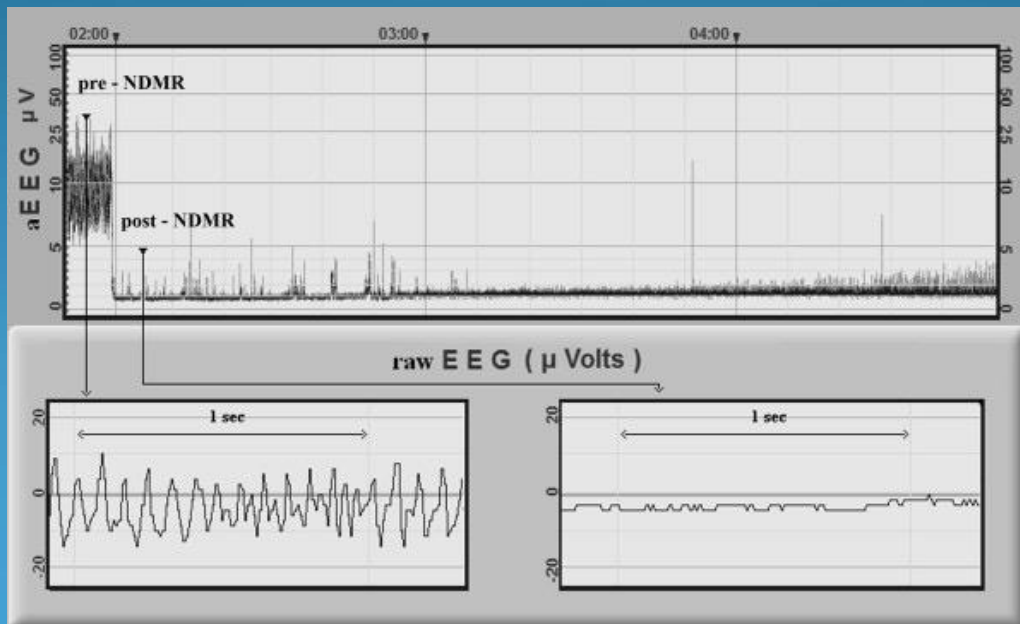


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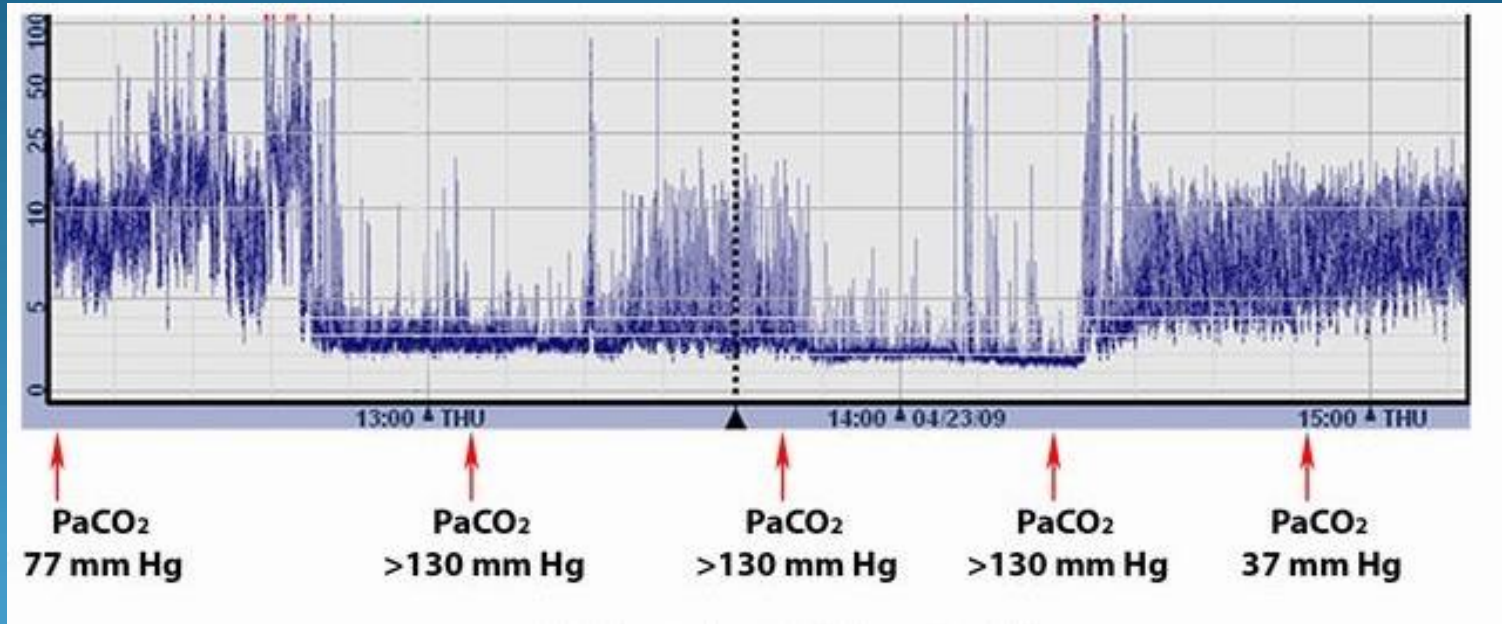
## Prevalence and etiology of false normal aEEG recordings in neonatal hypoxic-ischaemic encephalopathy.

Marics G<sup>1</sup>, Csekő A, Vásárhelyi B, Zakariás D, Schuster G, Szabó M.

„The occurrence of false normal aEEG background pattern is relatively high in neonates with HIE and hypothermia. High frequency EEG artifacts suggestive of shivering were found to be the most common cause of false normal aEEG in hypothermic neonates while high voltage ECG artifacts are less common.“



# Correlates with CO<sub>2</sub>





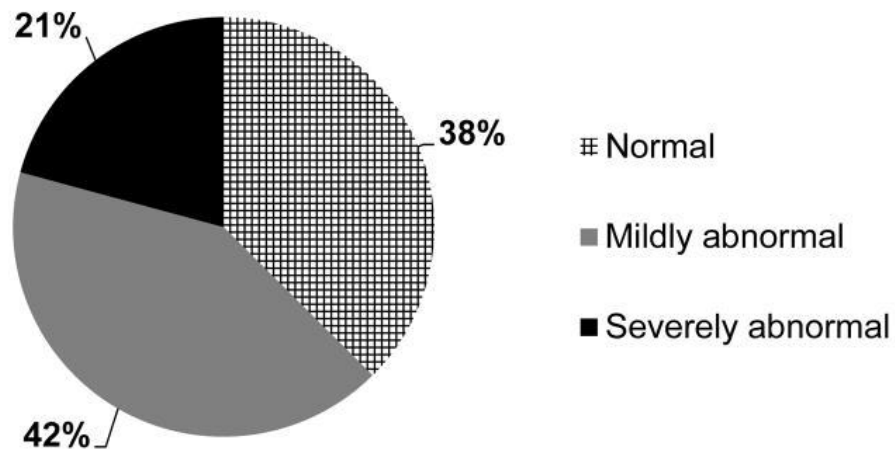
# The cardiac surgery patient



## Amplitude-integrated EEG in newborns with critical congenital heart disease predicts preoperative brain MRI findings

Sarah B. Mulkey, MD,<sup>a</sup> Vivien L. Yap, MD,<sup>b</sup> Shasha Bai, PhD,<sup>a</sup> Raghu H. Ramakrishnaiah, MBBS, FRCR,<sup>c</sup> Charles M. Glasier, MD,<sup>c</sup> Renee A. Bornemeier, MD,<sup>a</sup> Michael L. Schmitz, MD,<sup>d</sup> and Adnan T. Bhutta, MBBS<sup>e</sup>

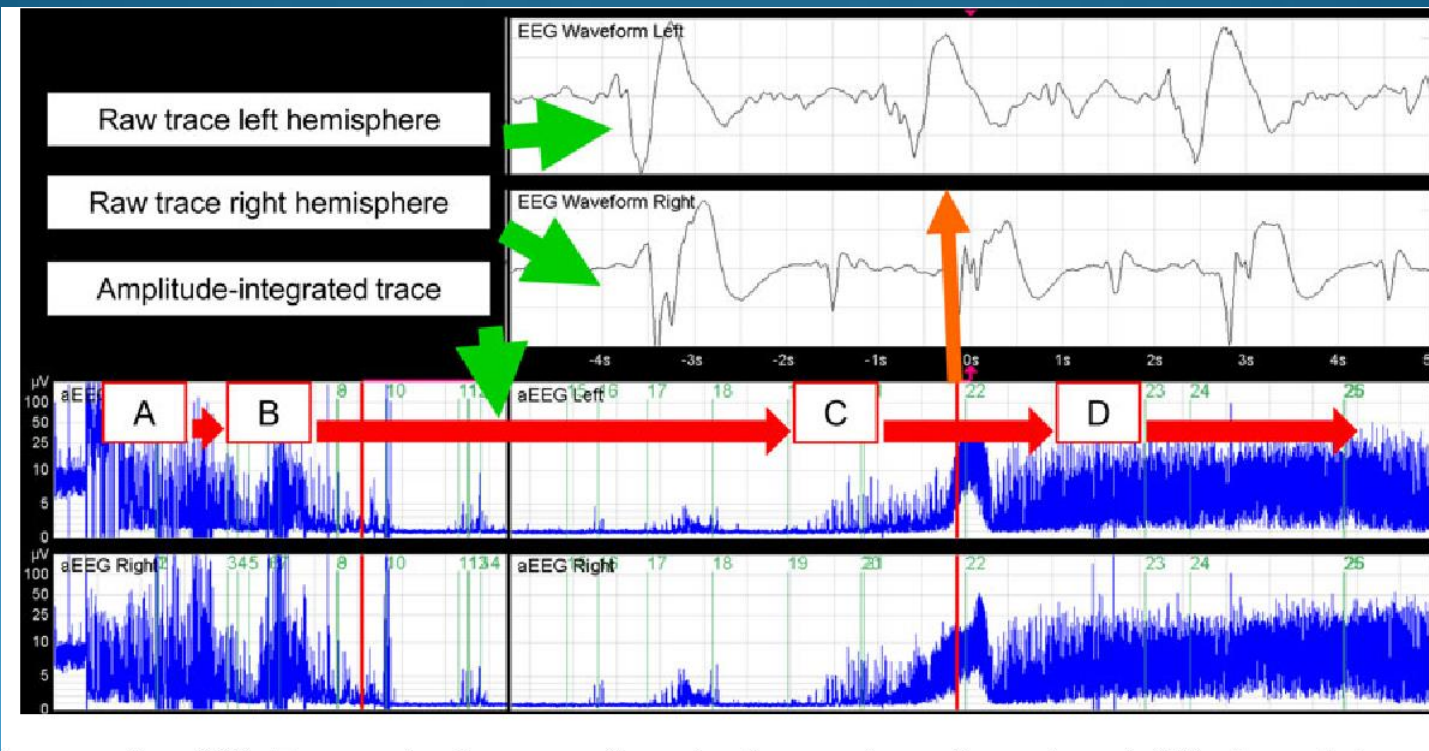
### aEEG Background Pattern



Background aEEG pattern in 24 CHD newborns

# Perioperative monitoring

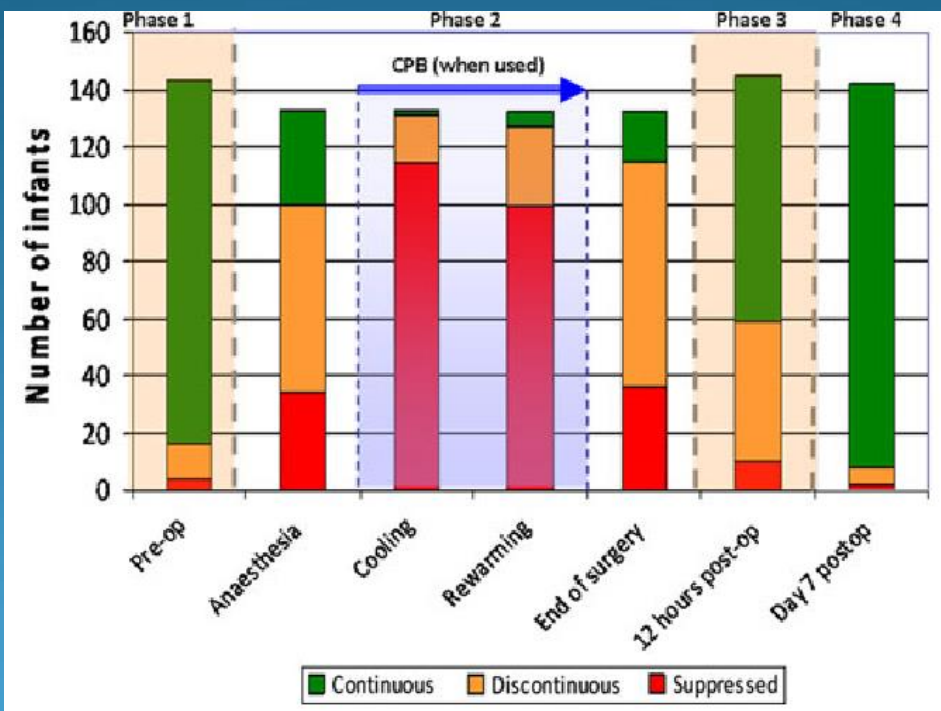
(full term infants)



A: induction, B: cooling, C: rewarming, D: end surgery

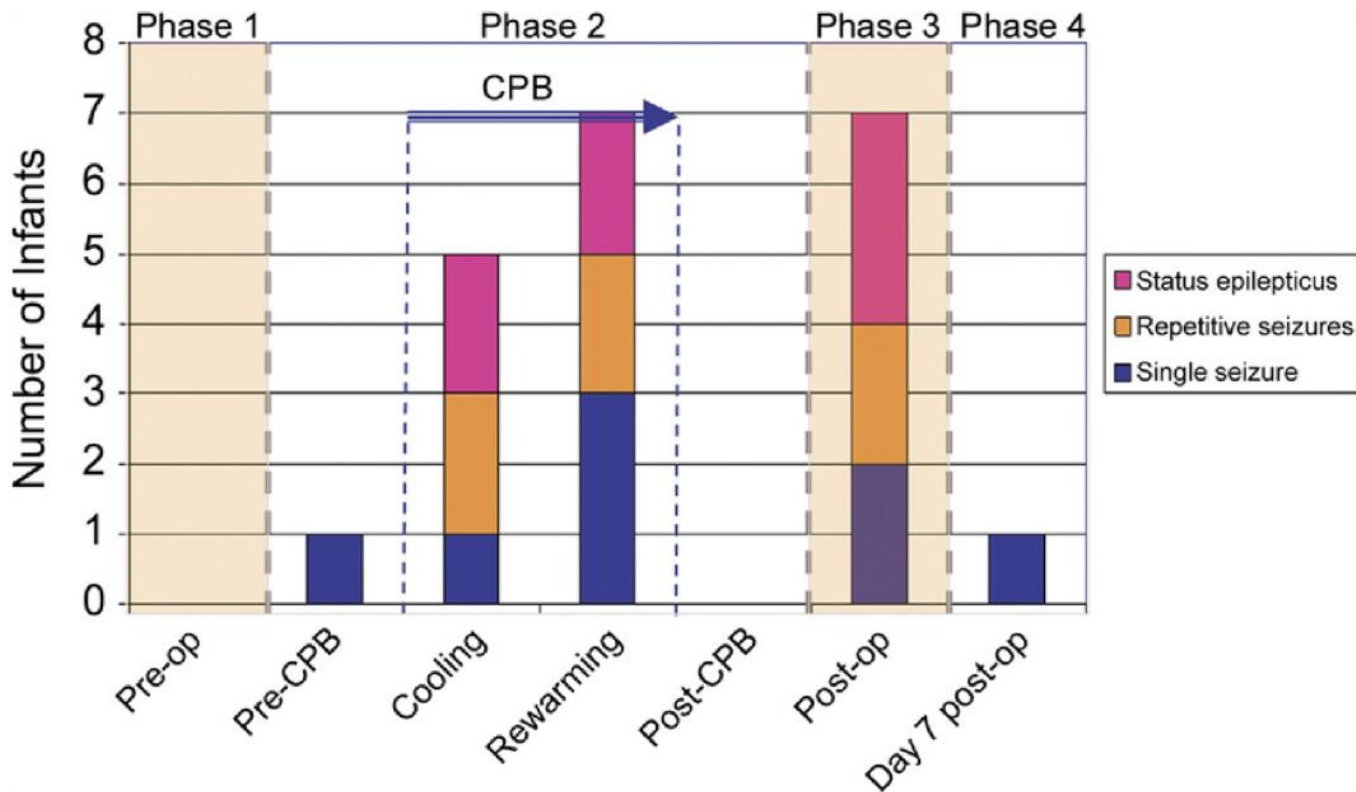
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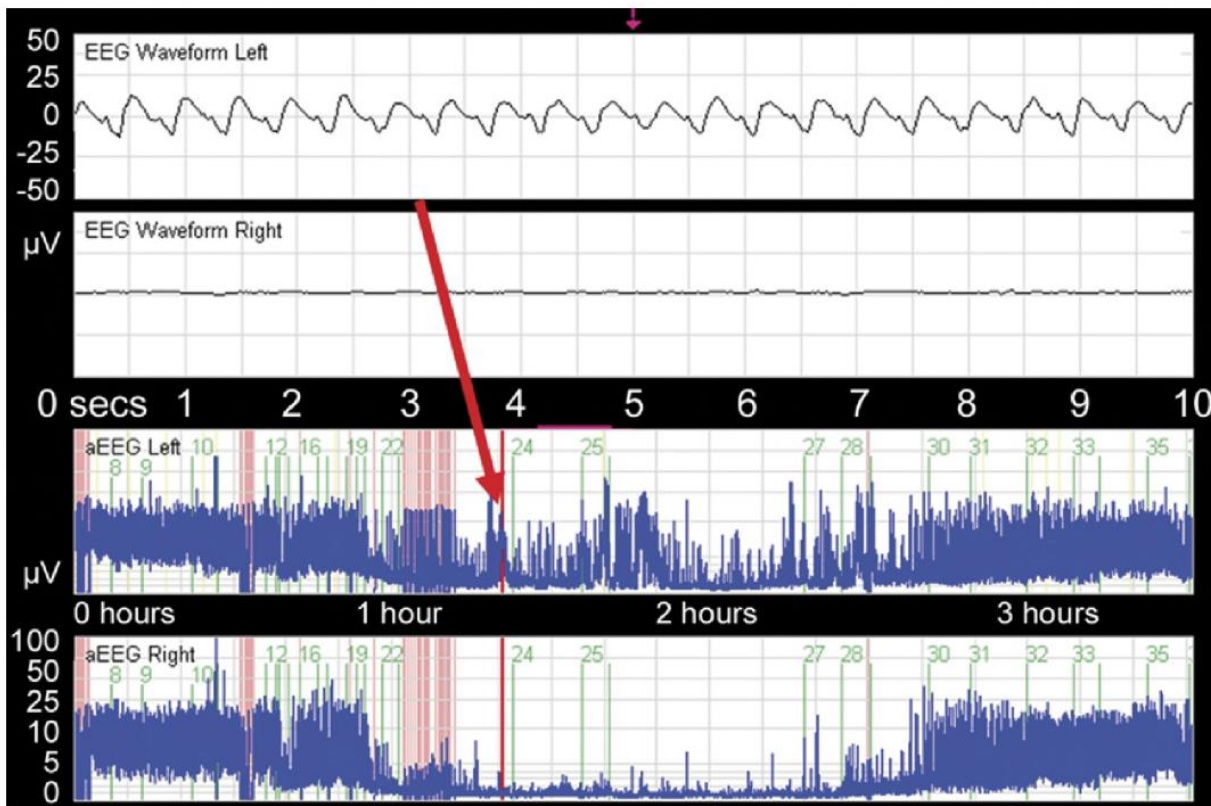
## Timing of seizure activity



# Amplitude-Integrated Electroencephalography and Brain Injury in Infants Undergoing Norwood-Type Operations

Julia K. Gunn, PhD, John Beca, MBChB, Daniel J. Penny, PhD, Stephen B. Horton, PhD, Yves A. d'Udekem, PhD, Christian P. Brizard, MD, Kirsten Finucane, MBChB, Monika Olischar, MD, Rodney W. Hunt, PhD, and Lara S. Shekerdeman, MD

## Intraoperative example



# Prediction of outcome ?

*Intensive Care Med.* 2012 Sep;38(9):1539-47. doi: 10.1007/s00134-012-2608-y. Epub 2012 Jun 1.

**Perioperative amplitude-integrated EEG and neurodevelopment in infants with congenital heart disease.**

Gunn JK<sup>1</sup>, Beca J, Hunt RW, Olischar M, Shekerdemian LS.

Perioperative seizures were common in this cohort of infants but did not impact on 2-year neurodevelopmental outcome. Delayed recovery in aEEG background was associated with increased risk of early mortality and worse neurodevelopment.



(full term infants)

Two-year outcome	aEEG recovery by 48	Abnormal aEEG at 48	p-value
	hours post-CPB	hours post-CPB	
Mean cognitive score	94.3 [95%CI 91.8, 96.8]	83.5 [95%CI 72.2, 94.8]	0.017
Cognitive score <70	3/111 (3%)	2/10 (20%)	0.008
Mean language score	94.3 [95%CI 91.3, 97.4]	81.3 [95%CI 70.9, 91.7]	0.016
Language score <70	7/111 (6%)	3/10 (30%)	0.009
Mean motor score	97.7 [95%CI 95.4, 100.1]	85.9 [95%CI 75.6, 96.2]	0.005
Motor score <70	1/111 (1%)	1/10 (10%)	0.031
Two year mortality	12/126 (10%)	8/19 (42%)	<0.001
Post-operative ECMO	5/121 (4%)	5/19 (26%)	<0.001



# Identified risk factors for neurologic damage

TGA (D-TGA with VSD higher as with IVS)

HLHS

Coarctation of the aorta

Duration of cardiopulmonary bypass



Galli et al. Periventricular leukomalacia is common after neonatal cardiac surgery. J Thorac Cardiovasc Surg  
2004;127:692-704.

Bellinger DC, Jonas RA, Rappaport L, Wypij D, Wernovsky G, Kuban KC, et al. Developmental and neurological status of children after heart surgery with hypothermic circulatory arrest or low-flow cardiopulmonary bypass. N Engl J Med  
1995; 332: 549-555.

Remaining problem to get this into  
„evidence based data“

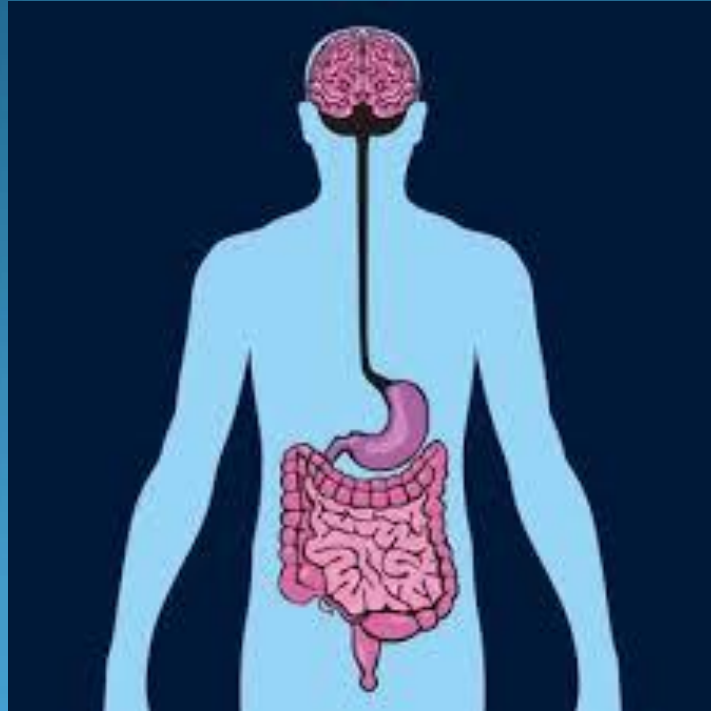


Heterogenous group of malformations and of hemodynamic situations

- > heterogenous operations
- > heterogenous neurological risk
- > heterogenous progression of pathological findings (e.g. timing of seizures)



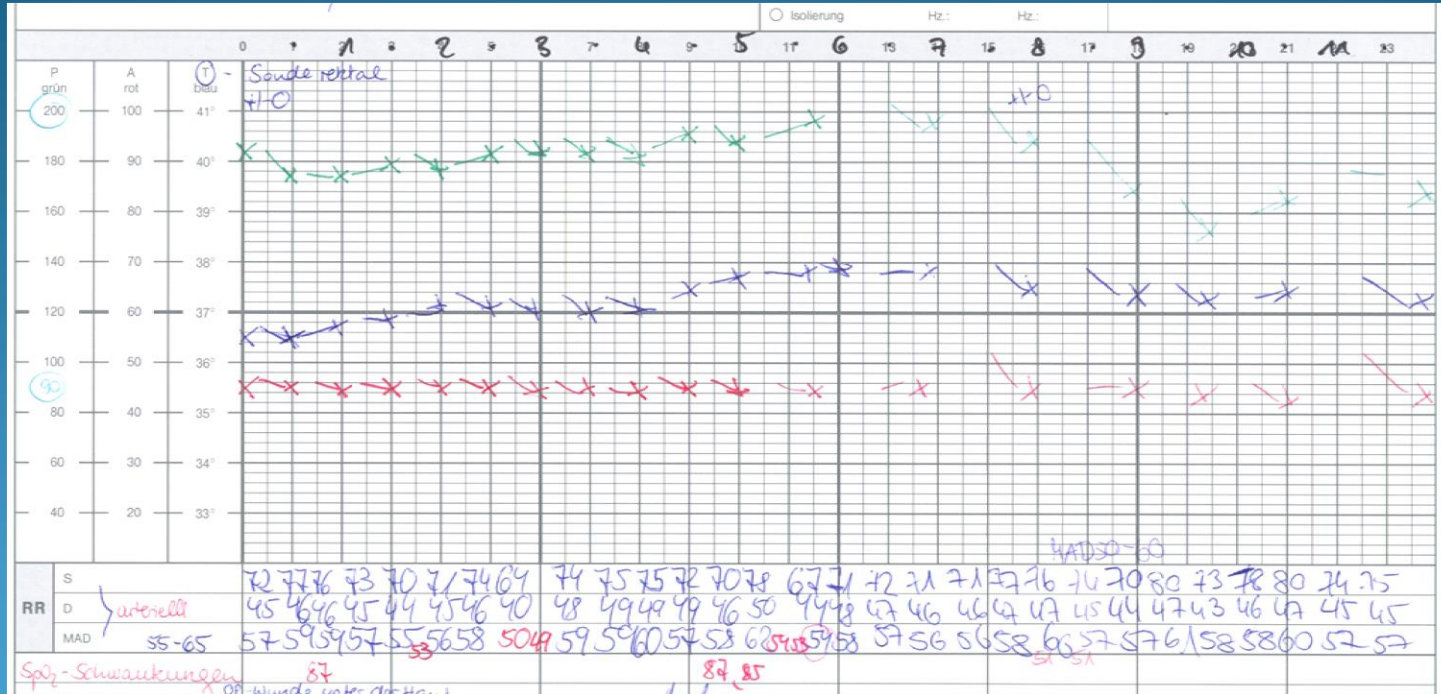
„Other“ critically ill...

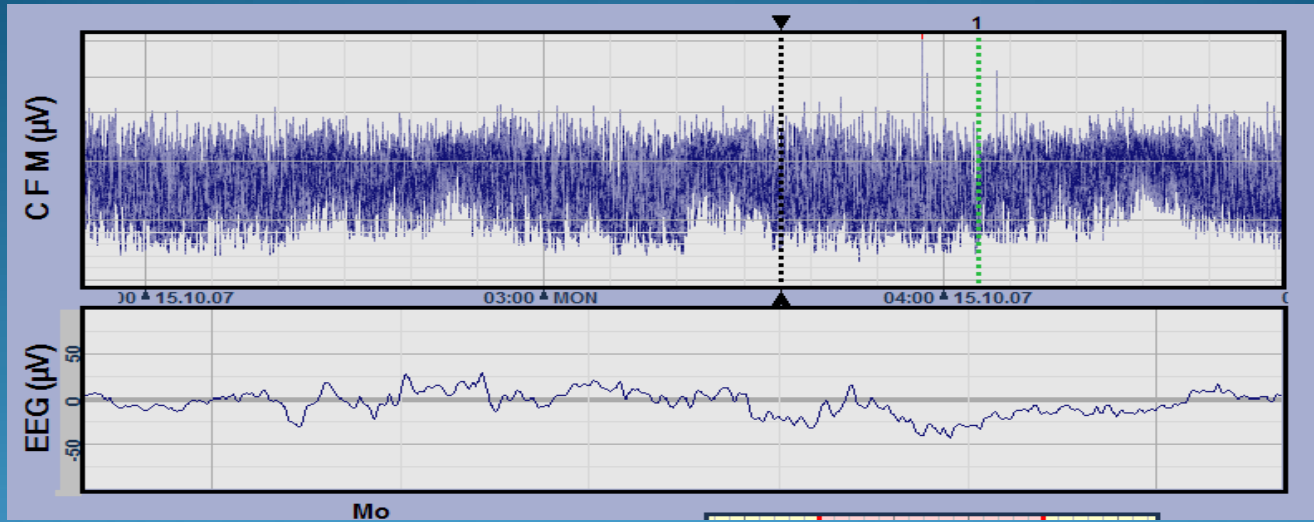


The gut to brain connection



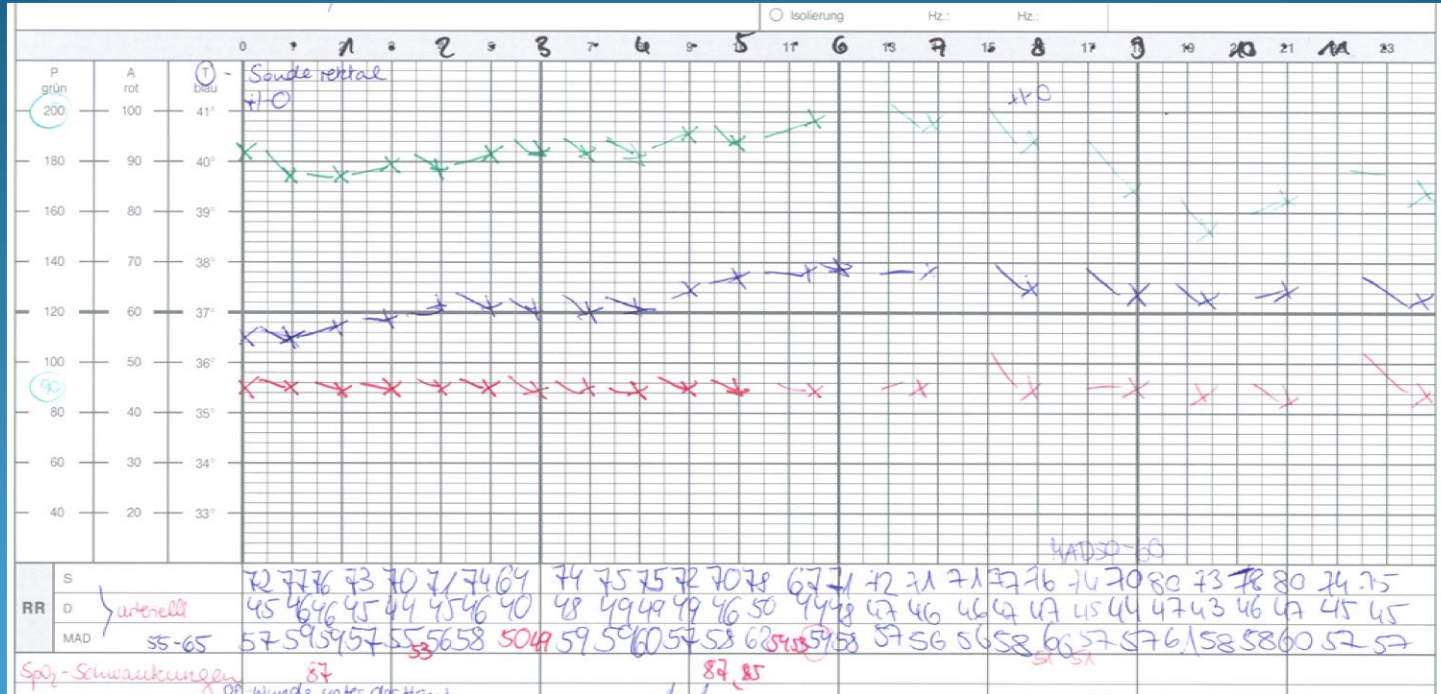
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intubated and muscle relaxed

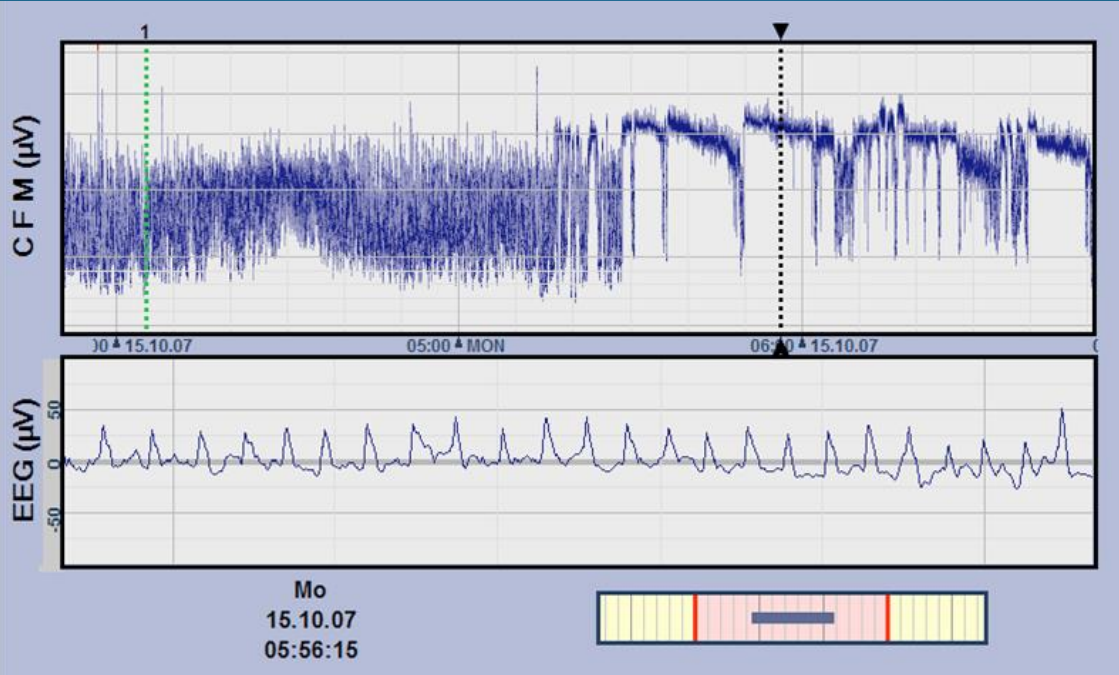






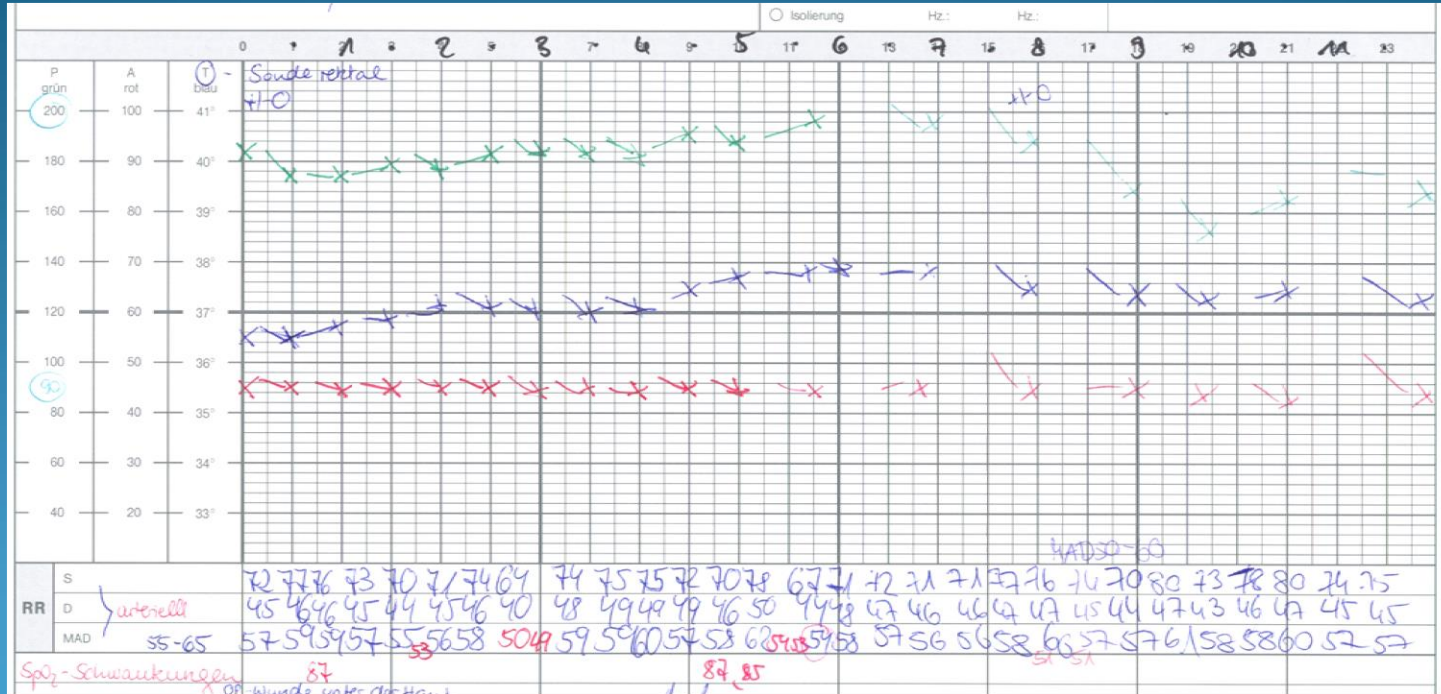
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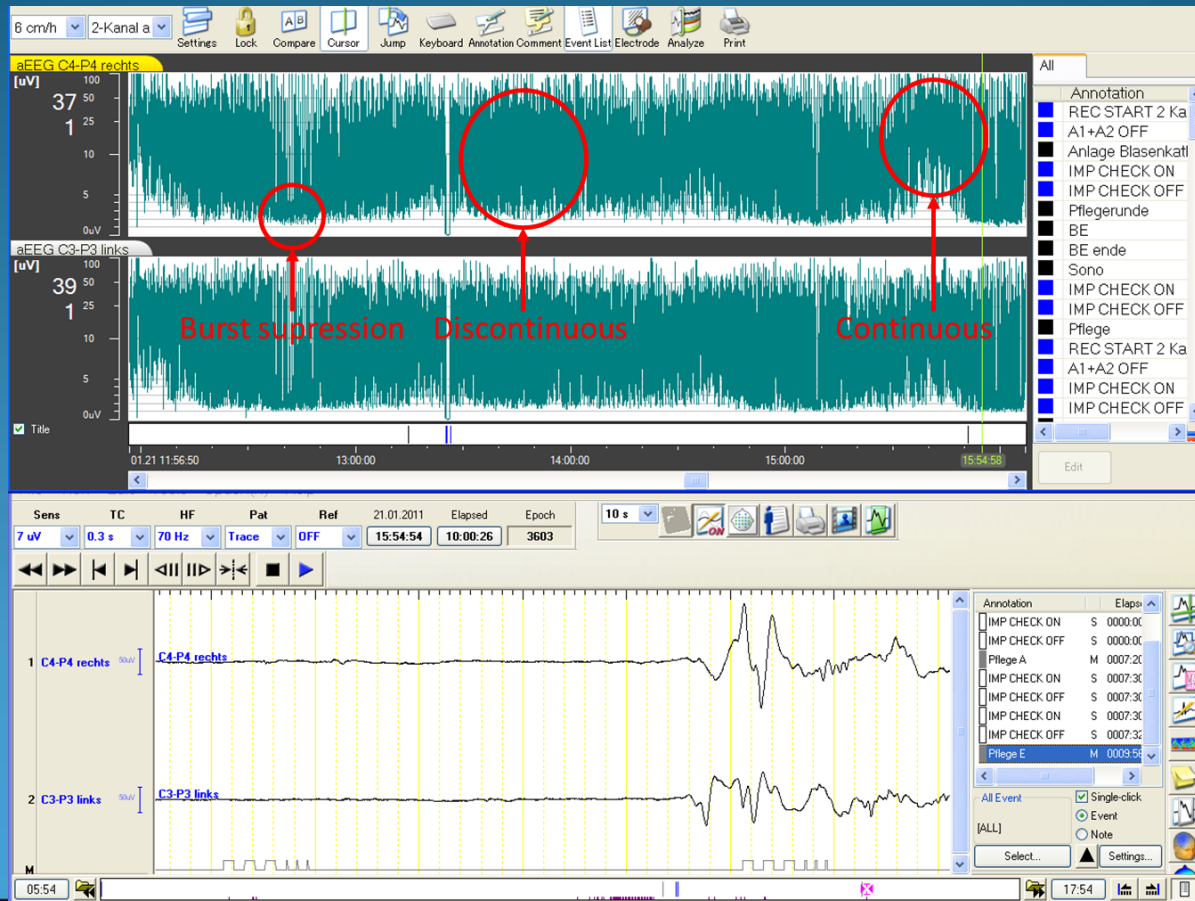




Qualitatively the value of aEEG or any other neuromonitoring  
for patients  
during and after surgery can be answered  
**„YES, it certainly has a value !“**

An **evidence based statement** in numbers or statistics regarding additional information, influence on therapy or outcome in the different groups, is and will stay difficult

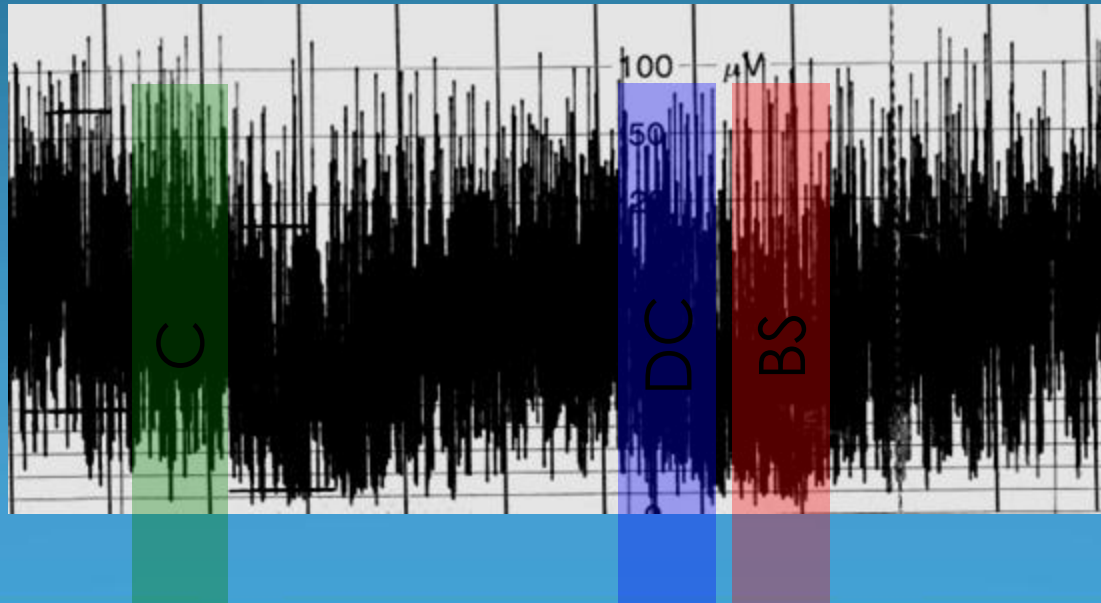
## Assessment in preterms



## Example for classification

27 SSW

- **Burst Suppression Pattern** = 40 Min. = 33% (Norm)
- **Discontinuous Pattern** = 70 Min. = 58% (Norm)
- **Continuous pattern** = 10 Min. = 9% (Norm)



## Standard values for 24th-25th week of gestational age

Pattern	Median	5.	25.	75.	95.
Burst suppression (discontinuous low voltage)	55.6%	0%	46.2%	70%	88.5%
Discontinuous (discontinuous high voltage)	33.3%	11.5%	17.6%	54%	100%
Continuous	0%	0%	0%	8.7%	14.8%

## Standard values for 26th-27th week of gestational age

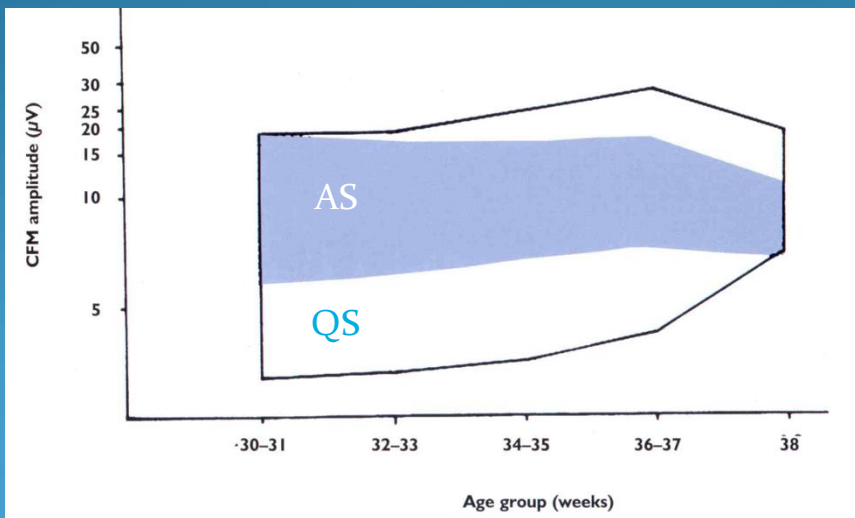
Pattern	Median	5.	25.	75.	95.
Burst suppression (discontinuous low voltage)	34%	0%	3.3%	59%	79.8%
Discontinuous (discontinuous high voltage)	56.4%	5.9%	31.4%	65%	95.9%
Continuous	5.9%	0%	0%	21%	58.6%

## Standard values for 28th-29th week of gestational age

Pattern	Median	5.	25.	75.	95.
Burst suppression (discontinuous low voltage)	7.1%	0%	0%	32%	82.6%
Discontinuous (discontinuous high voltage)	51.8%	2.9%	26.2%	74%	100%
Continuous	16.9%	0%	0%	67%	76.9%

Dependant on gestational age  
In quiet sleep (QS) linear correlation between height of lower amplitude  
and maturity

Immature cyclicality can be seen even in the most immature preterms  
(e.g. 24th week of gestational age)



AS „ActiveSleep“  
QS „Quiet Sleep“

[from Thornberg und  
Thiringer 1990.  
Aus: Hellstrom-  
Westas, de Vries,  
Rosen. Atlas of aEEG  
in the Newborn]

# Extra- vs. intrauterine maturity

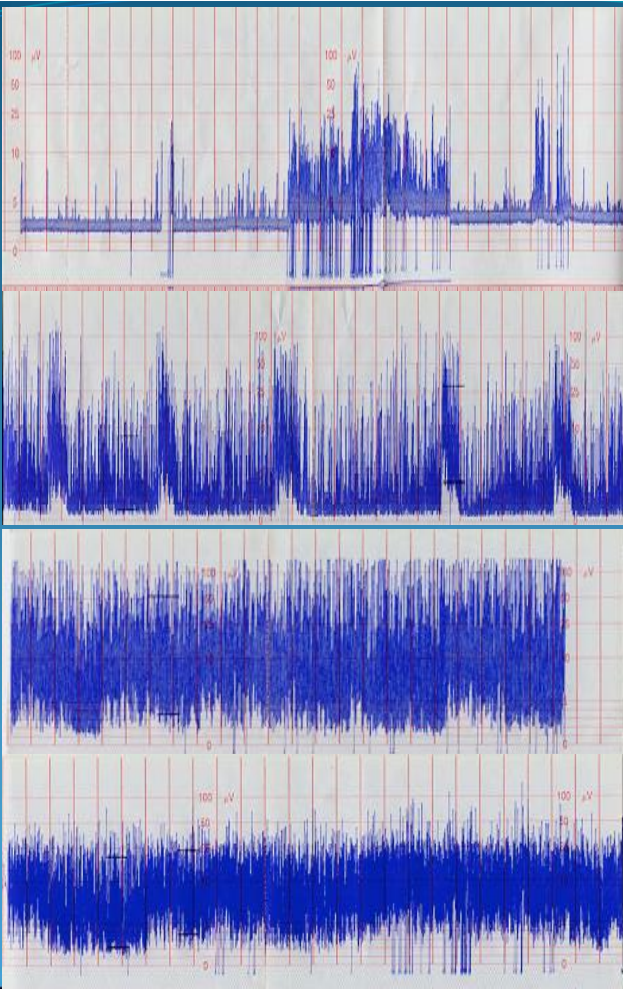
Maturing of aEEG background activity is increased compared with more mature, but younger infants at same postmenstrual age

Increased maturity ?

Because of  
stress, pain, other sensory  
stimulation ?

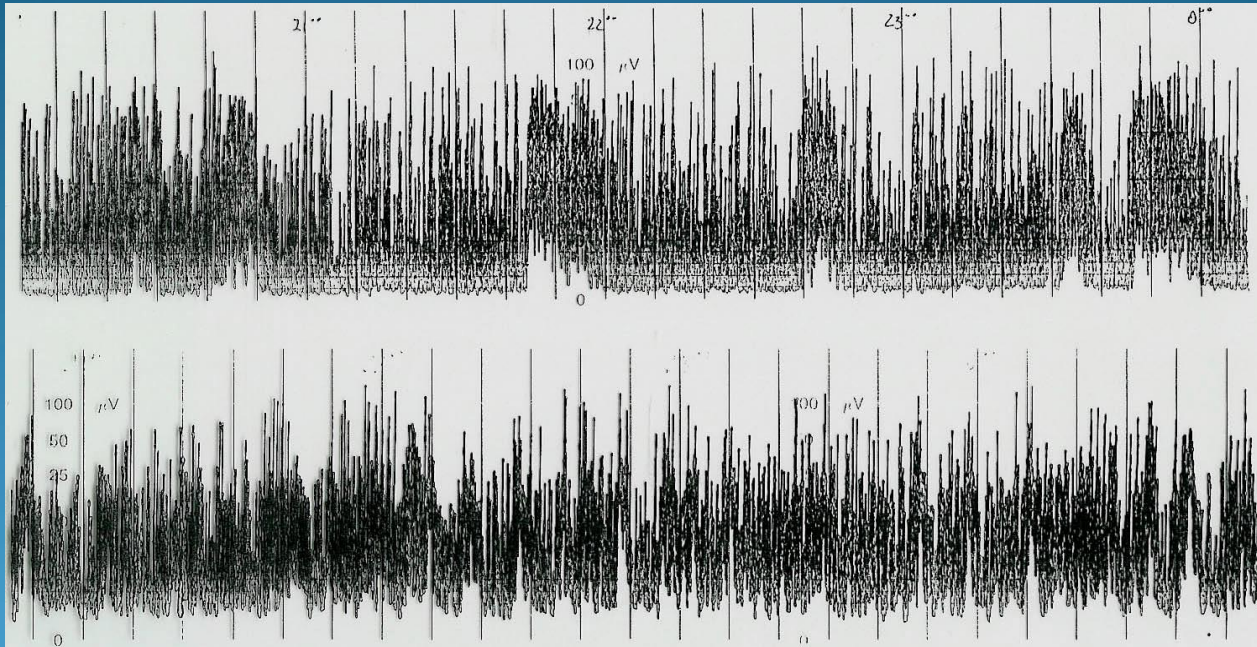
Light, sounds, touching ?

Sisman J et al, J Perinatol 2005  
Klebermass K et al, Biol Neonat 2006  
Herbertz S et al, Acta Paediatrica 2006  
Soubasi V et al, Early Human Dev 2009



## Developing aEEG in IVH

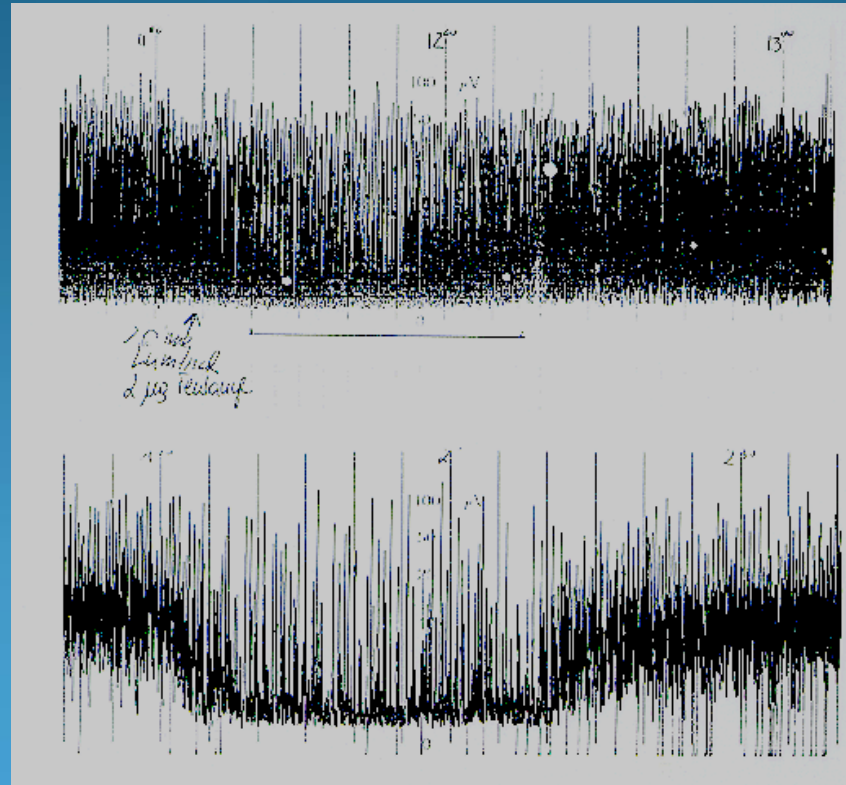
## Seizures in preterms



Can be more difficult to detect because of more discontinuous background activity



# Surveillance of sedation

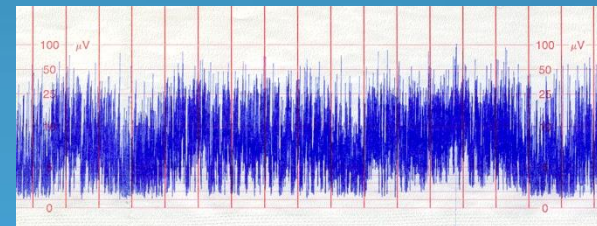
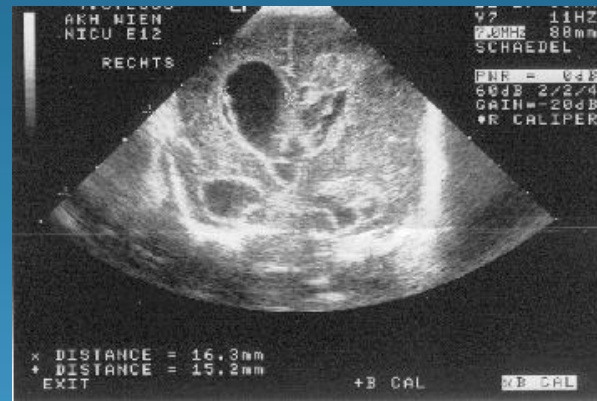


## Posthemorrhagic ventricular dilation (PHVD)

28. week GA, IUGR,  
Apgar 1/7/8, 846g

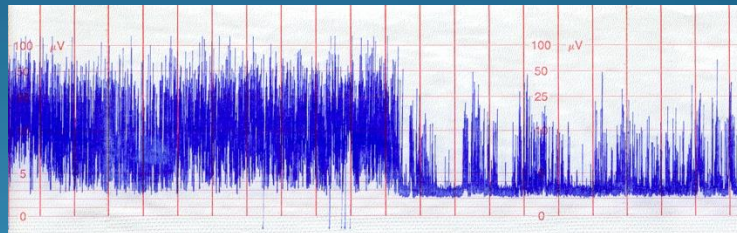
at 2. DOL IVH III° right, and  
III+° left, at 5. DOL beginning  
ventricular dilation

aEEG almost age appropriate

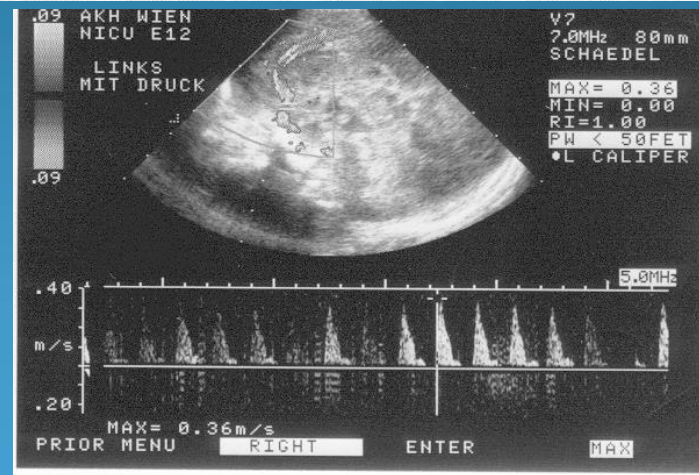


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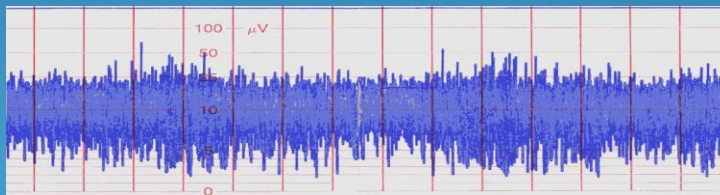
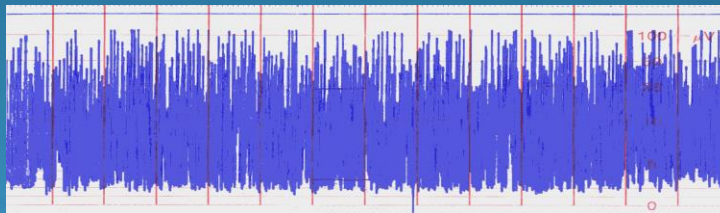
at 20. DOL suddenly flattening of  
aEEG in monitoring, clinical  
status unchanged



consequently ultrasound was  
performed: increase of RI to 1,0,  
6 hours later beginning seizure  
activity



## Changes (=worsening) of aEEG with increasing cerebral pressure – reversible after depressurizing



# PHVD and aEEG

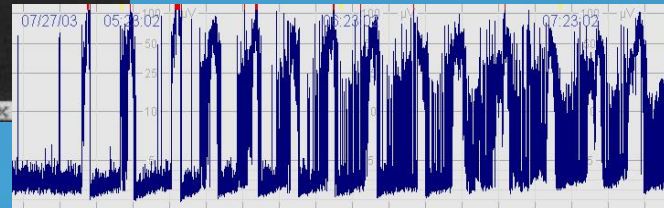
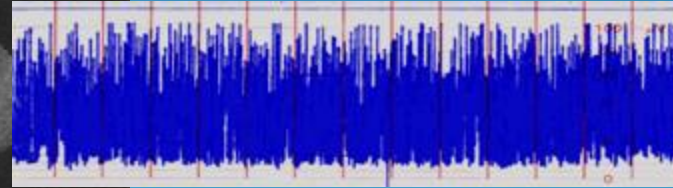
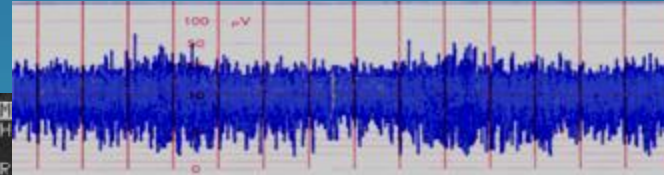
Changes in brain activity in aEEG earlier than critical ventricular dilation in ultrasound or doppler of the vessels

When shall we depressurize?  
Morphological or functional decision?

Role of aEEG as help for finding best point in time for intervention?!

The future for treating PHVD is

# Morphology AND Function



# Outcome prediction of VLBW

K. Klebermaß-Schrehof

Outcome 3 yrs	aEEG normal	aEEG mildly abnormal	aEEG severely abnormal	Sleep-Wake-Cycles	Seizure activity
<b>Normal (N=61)</b>	<b>93% (57/61)</b>	5% (3/61)	2% (1/61)	<b>98% (60/61)</b>	3% (2/61)
Mildly impaired (n=21)	48% (10/21)	38% (8/21)	14% (3/21)	76% (16/21)	0% (0/20)
<b>Severely impaired (n=61)</b>	<b>8% (5/61)</b>	7% (4/61)	85% (52/61)	<b>11% (7/61)</b>	43% (26/61)

Normal aEEG: age appropriate patterns, SWC, no seizure activity  
 Abnormal aEEG: Flattening or increased discontinuity, no SWC, seizure activity  
 if 2/3 of recording = severely abnormal aEEG  
 if 1/3 of recording = mildly abnormal aEEG

**Table 5.** Sensitivity, specificity, PPV, and NPV for aEEG pattern (summed score) and all its components (background activity, appearance of SWC, occurrence of seizures on aEEG) and CUS in relation to outcome at 3 y of age in aEEG recordings obtained within the first 2 wk of life in recordings with and without sedative/analgetic/anticonvulsive medication

	aEEG	Background activity	SWC	Seizures	CUS
<b>Wk 1 + 2</b>					
Sensitivity (95% CI)	0.81 (0.71–0.89)	0.75 (0.64–0.84)	0.64 (0.53–0.74)	0.31 (0.21–0.42)	0.68 (0.57–0.78)
Specificity (95% CI)	0.93 (0.84–0.98)	0.96 (0.88–0.99)	0.98 (0.91–0.99)	0.96 (0.88–0.99)	0.86 (0.75–0.94)
PPV (95% CI)	0.94 (0.86–0.98)	0.96 (0.89–0.99)	0.97 (0.91–0.99)	0.90 (0.85–0.97)	0.87 (0.76–0.94)
NPV (95% CI)	0.79 (0.67–0.87)	0.74 (0.63–0.83)	0.51 (0.35–0.71)	0.00 (0.01–0.66)	0.67 (0.55–0.77)
<b>Wk 1 + 2 no sed. med.</b>					
Sensitivity (95% CI)	0.61 (0.43–0.76)	0.47 (0.30–0.64)	0.50 (0.32–0.68)	0.49 (0.30–0.76)	0.47 (0.30–0.64)
Specificity (95% CI)	0.98 (0.90–0.99)	0.98 (0.90–0.99)	0.98 (0.91–0.99)	0.96 (0.87–0.99)	0.89 (0.78–0.95)
PPV (95% CI)	0.95 (0.78–0.99)	0.94 (0.72–0.99)	0.96 (0.79–0.99)	0.77 (0.39–0.97)	0.73 (0.62–0.81)
NPV (95% CI)	0.79 (0.68–0.88)	0.74 (0.62–0.83)	0.33 (0.18–0.50)	0.65 (0.53–0.75)	0.72 (0.60–0.82)

**Sensitivity 81%**  
**Specificity 93%**

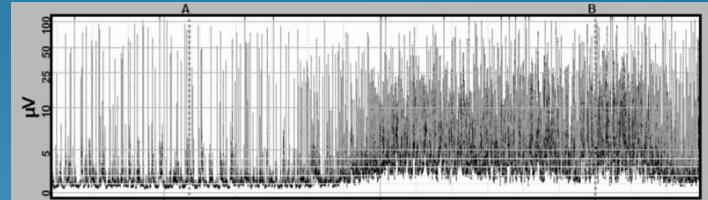
aEEG-score, summed score; seizures, appearance of repetitive seizures on aEEG; background activity, age adequate according to reference values (22); wk 1 + 2, data of the first 2 wk were analyzed together and the one recording without sedative medication or the one obtained earlier was taken into account. Wk 1 + 2 no sed. med., data obtained within the first 2 wk of life and only recordings obtained without any sedative/analgetic/anticonvulsive medication were taken into account.

**Better than cerebral ultrasound...**



## aEEG can be influenced by ...

- Blood pressure
- Sepsis
- Acidosis, Glucose
- CO<sub>2</sub>
- and more ...



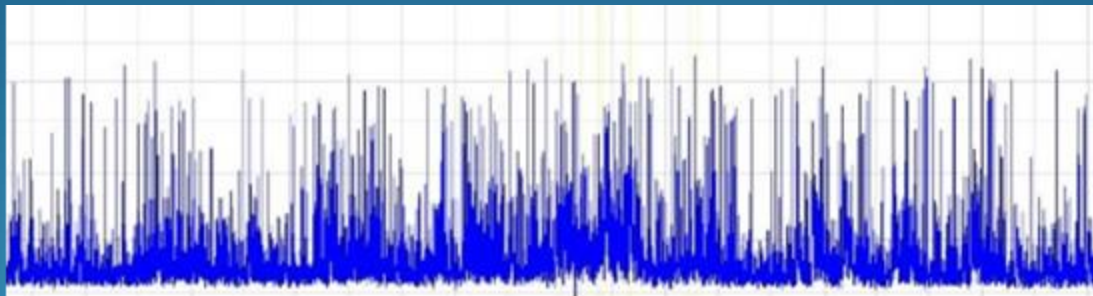
2 day old preterm 24<sup>th</sup> week GA.,  
Supressed activity: pH, 6.84; pCO<sub>2</sub> 105 mm Hg  
Normal activity: pH, 7.14; pCO<sub>2</sub> 44 mm Hg

Greisen G et al, Acta Paediatr Scand 1988

Helderman JB et al., Early Hum Dev. 2010

Granot S et al, Eur J Pediatr 2012

## The story of a 24th week of GA, 1st day of life



**Early low cardiac output is associated with compromised electroencephalographic activity in very preterm infants.**

West, et.al., *Pediatr. Res* Apr;59(4 Pt 1):610-615.

**aEEG measurements in the first 48 hours of life are related to SVC flow and treatment with inotropes at 12 hours of life in extremely preterm infants.**

*Pediatr Res.* 2013 Jun 20. doi: 10.1038/pr.2013.104. [Epub ahead of print]

## Notice these aEEG changes in preterm infants

Flattening of the amplitude height

Increased discontinuity or burst suppression pattern

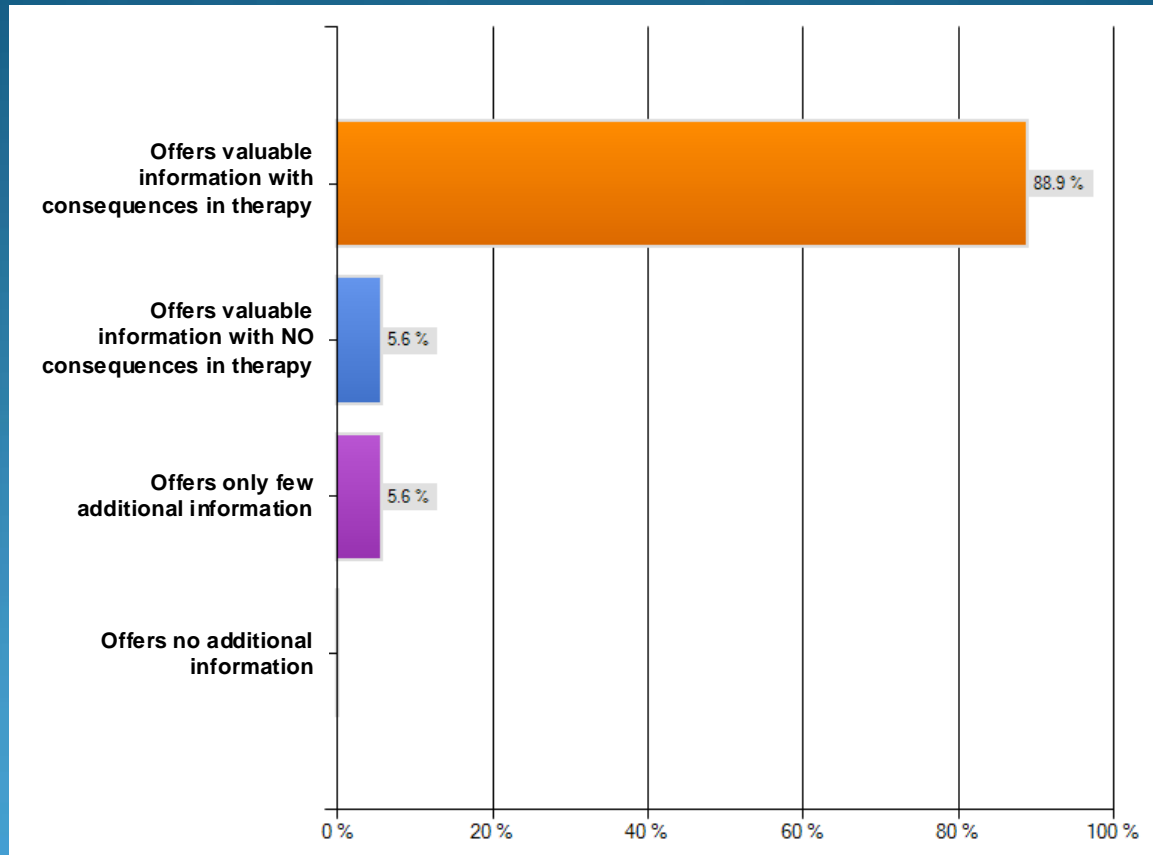
Loss of sleep-wake cycles

Seizure activity

Side difference in background activity

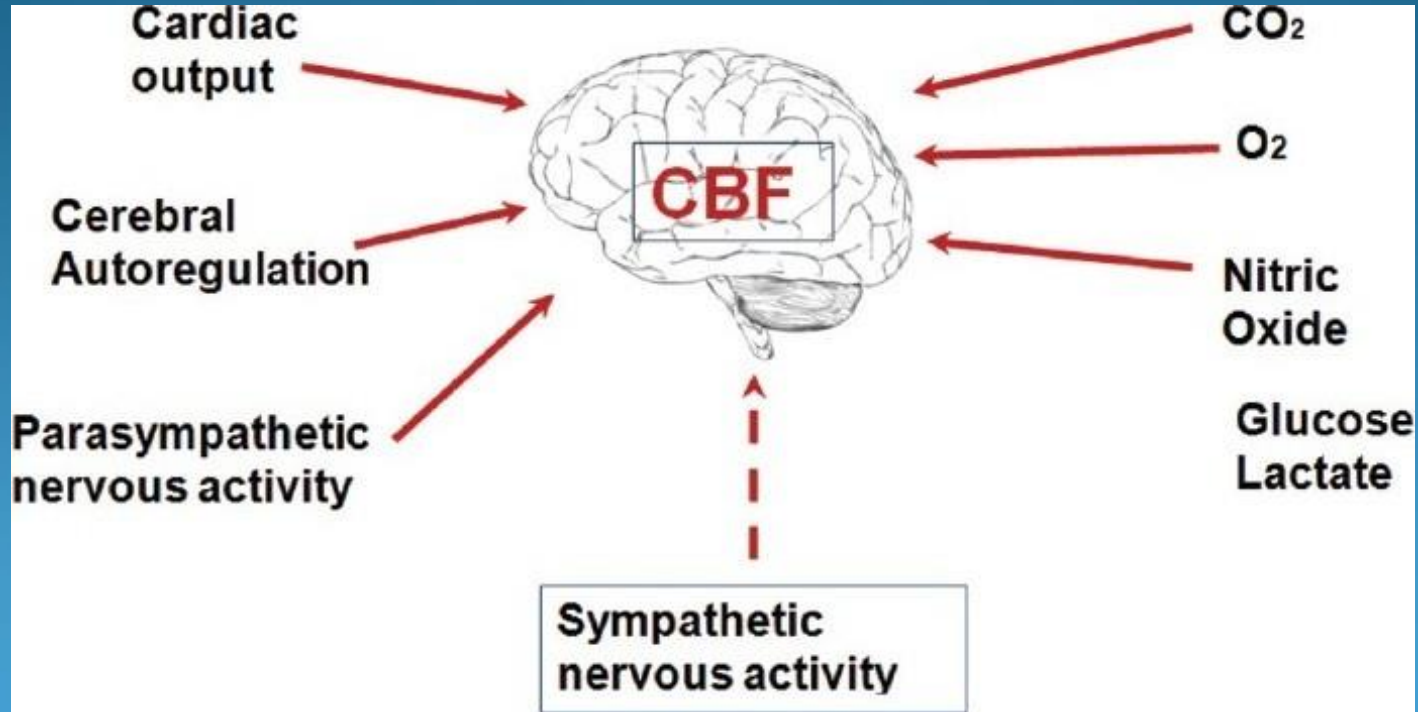
# Is aEEG a success ? and why ?





from „Current use of aEEG in Germany“

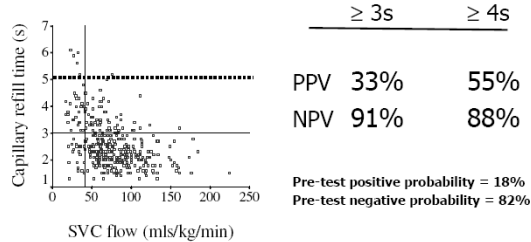
# cerebral blood flow



# How to tell if cerebral blood flow is good ?

## Capillary refill time is a poor predictor of low flow

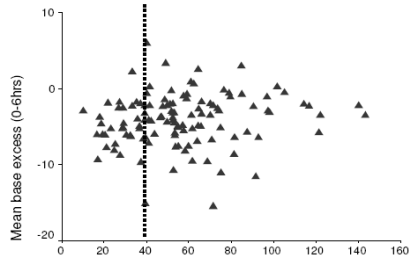
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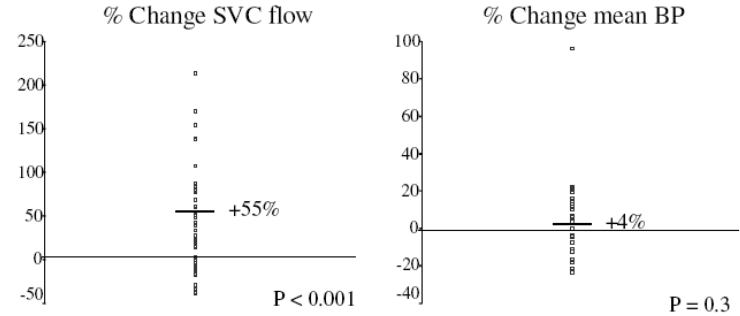
## Base Excess does not predict low flow.

Evans, Unpublished data

< 30 weeks, n=124.



After 10 mls/kg normal saline:  
Improved SVC flow / no change blood pressure  
(Osborne, Kluckow & Evans 2002)



In a subgroup of 10 patients, variation of pump flow between 1.0 and 2.0 L/min/m<sup>2</sup> did not significantly affect regional CBF

# Early low blood flow Associated with compromised aEEG

West et al *Pediatr Res* 2006

Table 3. Comparison between quantitative EEG measurements in infants in the lowest quartile of right ventricular outflow and blood pressure 12 hours after birth and the remainder of the study cohort

	Continuity thresholds (%/min)									
	Minimum amplitude ( $\mu$ V)		Median amplitude ( $\mu$ V)		10 $\mu$ V		25 $\mu$ V		50 $\mu$ V	
	12 h	24 h	12 h	24 h	12 h	24 h	12 h	24 h	12 h	24 h
<b>RVO 12 h</b>										
Lowest quartile (<282 mL/kg/min)	1.3*	1.5*	3.3*	4.6*	8.4*	96*	42*	64*	20	31*
	(1.0-1.5)	(1.1-3.7)	(2.5-5.0)	(3.8-7.6)	(69-100)	(91-100)	(29-68)	(56-96)	(14-42)	(26-63)
	(n = 6)	(n = 8)	(n = 6)	(n = 8)	(n = 6)	(n = 8)	(n = 6)	(n = 8)	(n = 6)	(n = 8)
Remainder ( $\geq$ 282 mL/kg/min)	2.2	2.5	5.1	7.4	100	100	67	79	37	52
	(1.5-6.5)	(1.3-6.7)	(3.4-11.4)	(3.1-11.9)	(91-100)	(94-100)	(29-100)	(52-97)	(12-85)	(15-71)
	(n = 21)	(n = 22)	(n = 21)	(n = 22)	(n = 21)	(n = 22)	(n = 21)	(n = 22)	(n = 21)	(n = 22)
<b>MAP 12 h</b>										
Lowest quartile (<31 mm Hg)	1.7	2.0	4.1	5.2*	91*	100	29*	69	23*	36
	(1.0-2.1)	(1.1-2.7)	(2.8-4.6)	(4.5-9.7)	(69-96)	(91-100)	(12-85)	(56-90)	(14-28)	(31-67)
	(n = 5)	(n = 6)	(n = 5)	(n = 6)	(n = 5)	(n = 6)	(n = 5)	(n = 6)	(n = 5)	(n = 6)
Remainder ( $\geq$ 31 mm Hg)	2.1	2.3	5.1	6.7	100	100	40	78	39	52
	(1.0-6.5)	(1.4-6.7)	(2.5-11.4)	(3.1-11.9)	(70-100)	(93-100)	(30-54)	(52-97)	(13-85)	(15-71)
	(n = 19)	(n = 21)	(n = 19)	(n = 21)	(n = 19)	(n = 21)	(n = 19)	(n = 21)	(n = 19)	(n = 21)
<b>DBP 12 h</b>										
Lowest quartile (<25 mm Hg)	2.0	1.9	4.1	5.1	96*	100	53*	68	24*	35
	(1.3-2.3)	(1.4-2.7)	(2.8-5.0)	(3.1-9.7)	(69-100)	(94-100)	(30-68)	(52-90)	(13-42)	(15-67)
	(n = 7)	(n = 7)	(n = 7)	(n = 7)	(n = 7)	(n = 7)	(n = 7)	(n = 7)	(n = 7)	(n = 7)
Remainder ( $\geq$ 25 mm Hg)	2.2	2.4	5.2	7.1	100	100	70	79	39	52
	(1.0-6.5)	(1.1-6.7)	(2.5-11.4)	(3.8-11.9)	(70-100)	(91-100)	(29-100)	(56-97)	(16-85)	(24-71)
	(n = 17)	(n = 20)	(n = 17)	(n = 20)	(n = 17)	(n = 20)	(n = 17)	(n = 20)	(n = 17)	(n = 20)

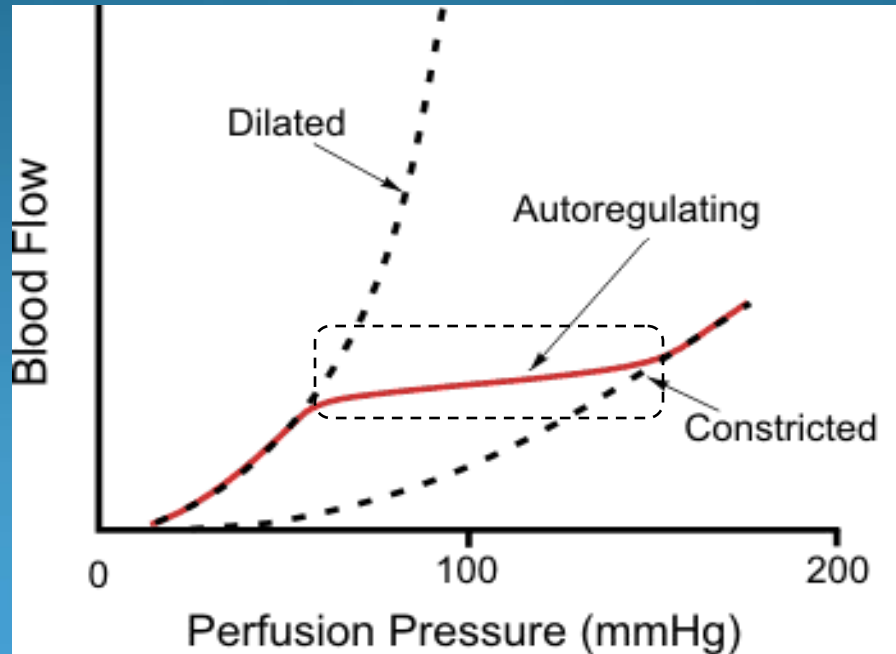
Results are median (range).

\*  $p < 0.05$  lowest quartile compared with remainder.

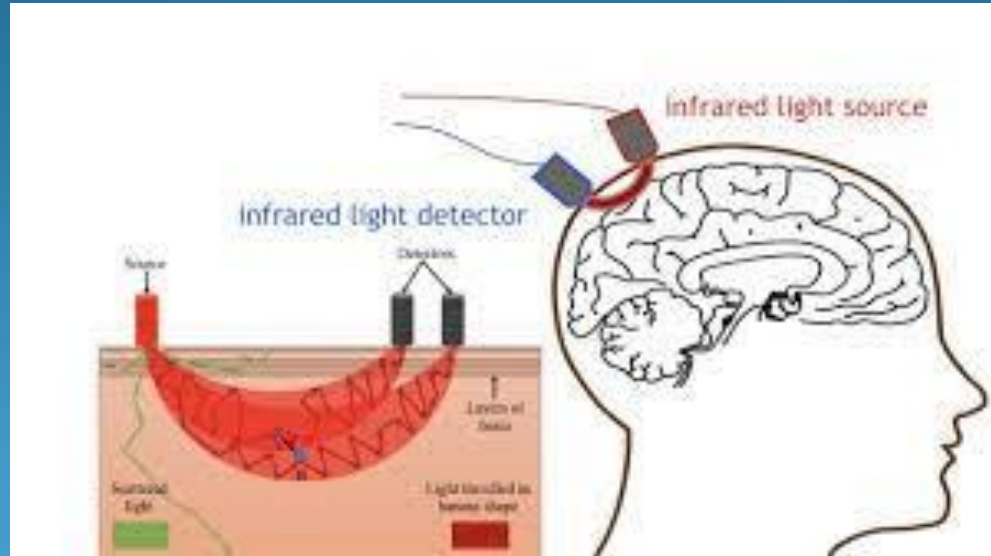
DBP, diastolic BP.



That's what autoregulation is for...  
but if it is not working ?

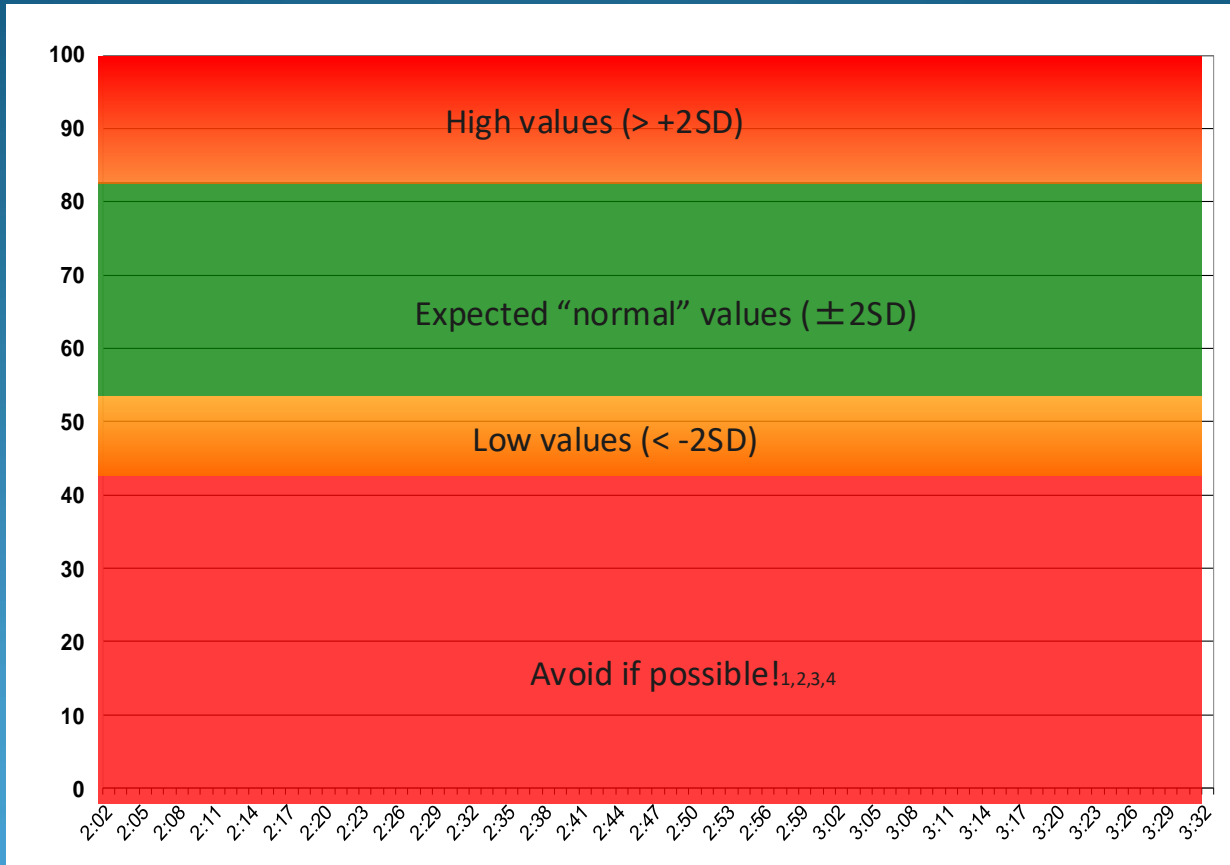


# What about NIRS ?



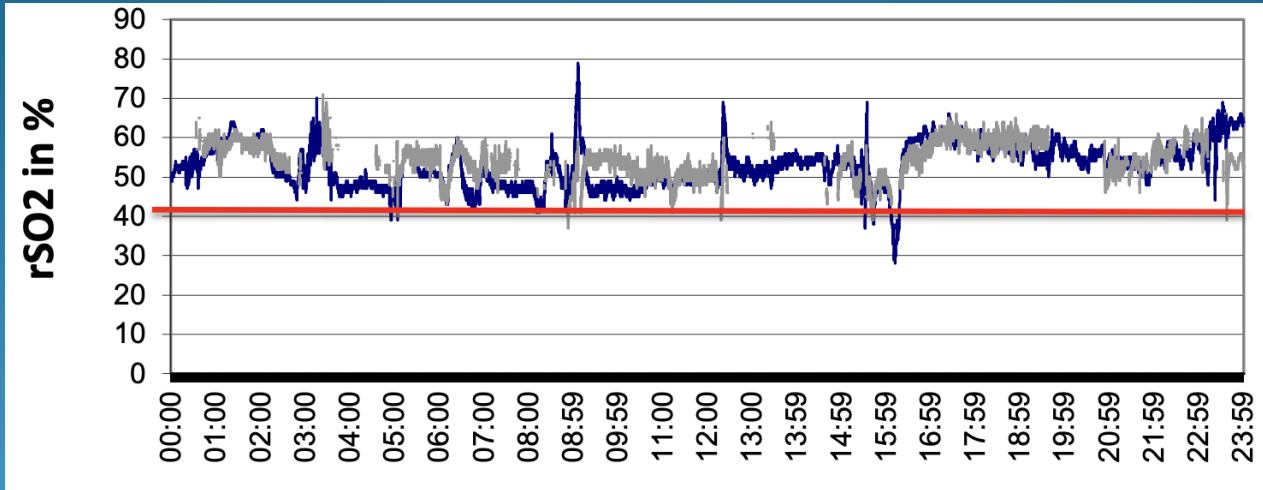
# Interpretation of NIRS values

rScO<sub>2</sub> %



1) Hou, Physiol Meas 2007; 2) Kurth, J Cereb Blood Flow Metab 2005;  
3) Dent, J Thorac Cardiovasc Surg 2002 4) Alderliesten T submitted

# First of all: think about cerebral and somatic



Insufficient blood flow/cardiac output lowers both  
Only reduced cerebral rSO<sub>2</sub> can be a regional problem

# Renal NIRS for open duct

Clinical Investigation | Published: 07 September 2016

## **Near-infrared spectroscopy for detection of a significant patent ductus arteriosus**

[Valerie Y. Chock](#) , [Laura A. Rose](#), [Jeanet V. Mante](#) & [Rajesh Punn](#)

[Pediatric Research](#) **80**, 675–680 (2016) | [Cite this article](#)

Low  $R_{\text{sat}} < 66\%$  was associated with the presence of an hsPDA in the preterm infant.  $C_{\text{sat}}$  may be preserved if cerebral autoregulation is largely intact. Bedside NIRS monitoring may reasonably increase suspicion for a significant PDA in the preterm infant.

# Influencing factors

- **blood pressure**

- **CO/SvO<sub>2</sub>**

- **Hb**

- **SaO<sub>2</sub>**

- **paCO<sub>2</sub>**

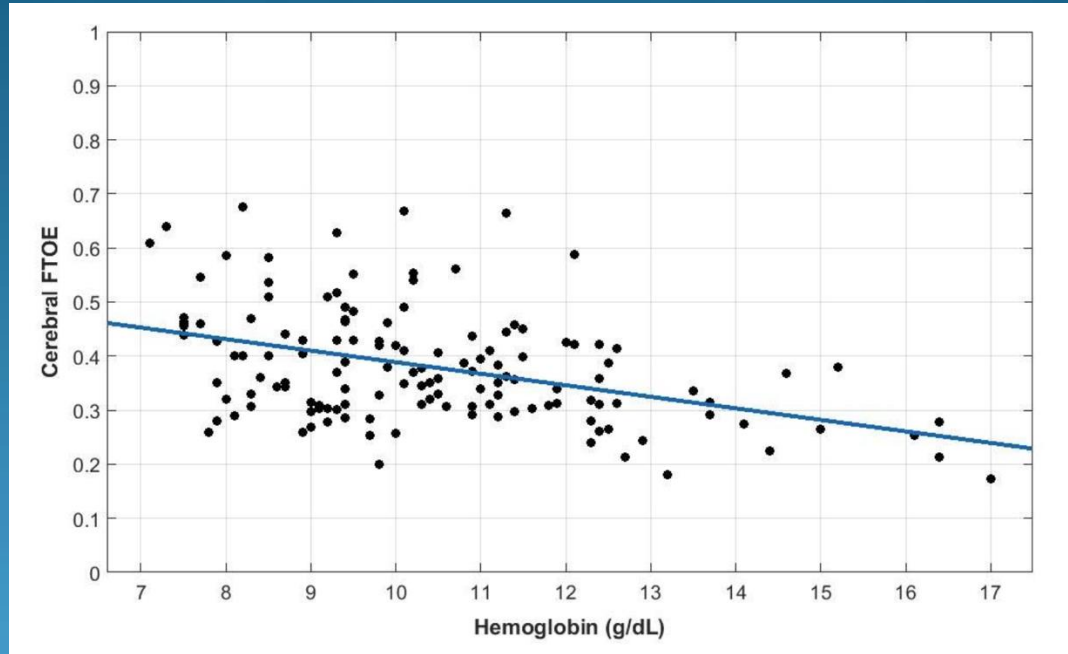
after CPB:  
cardiac stunning  
capillary leakage syndrome  
arrhythmias  
relevant blood loss

need of:  
inotropes  
vasopressors  
volume  
blood products

after CPB:  
lung impairment  
capillary leakage syndrome – lung edema

- **mechanical obstruction of cerebral perfusion**
- **cerebral O<sub>2</sub> consumption (fever, seizures etc.)**

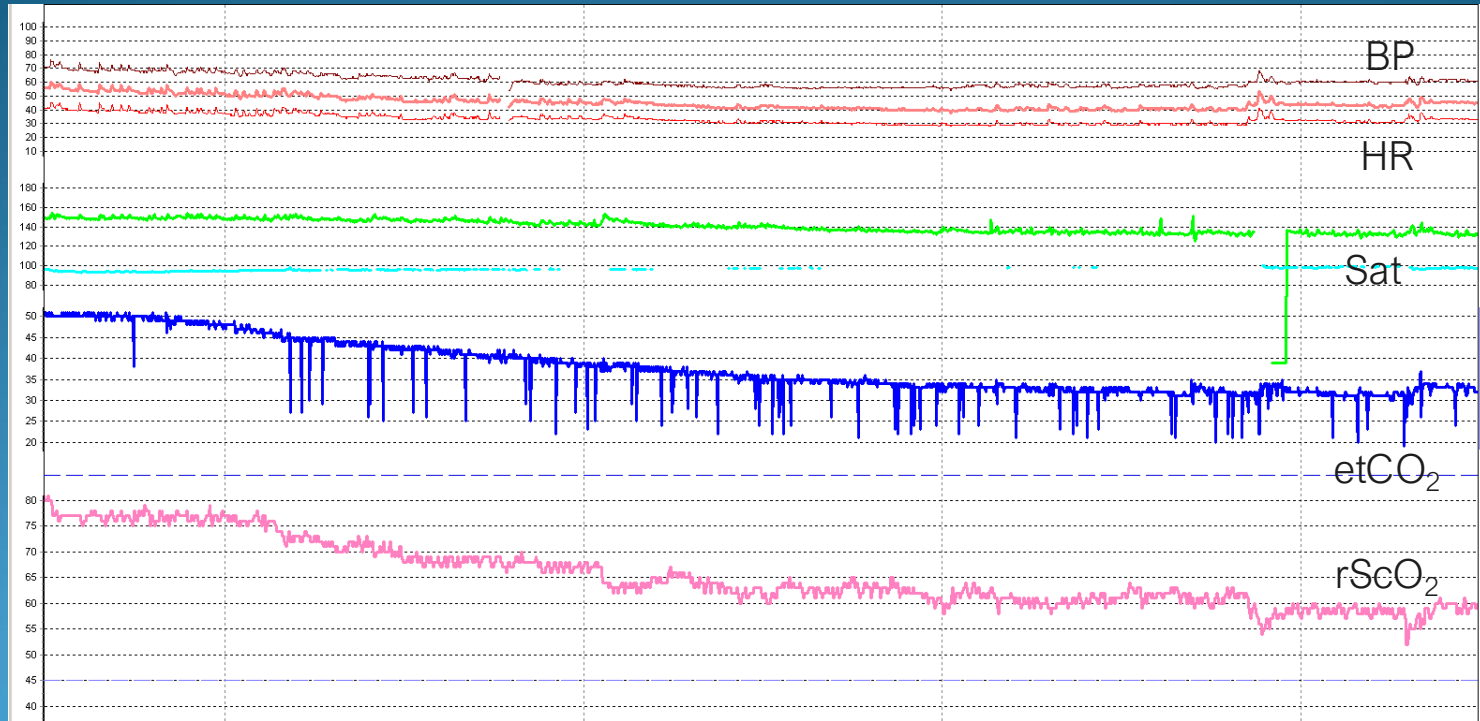
# Influence of Hemoglobin levels



Using Cerebral NIRS Measures for an Individualized Approach to RBC Transfusions in Premature Infants  
Helena V. Whitehead MD - Washington University School of Medicine  
Amit Mathewson MD - Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine  
Amit M. Mathur MD - Washington University School of Medicine  
Zachary A. Woodhull MD - Washington University School of Medicine

Scatter plot illustrating the correlation between hemoglobin and cerebral fractional tissue oxygen extraction (cFTOE)

# rScO<sub>2</sub> dependent on CO<sub>2</sub>



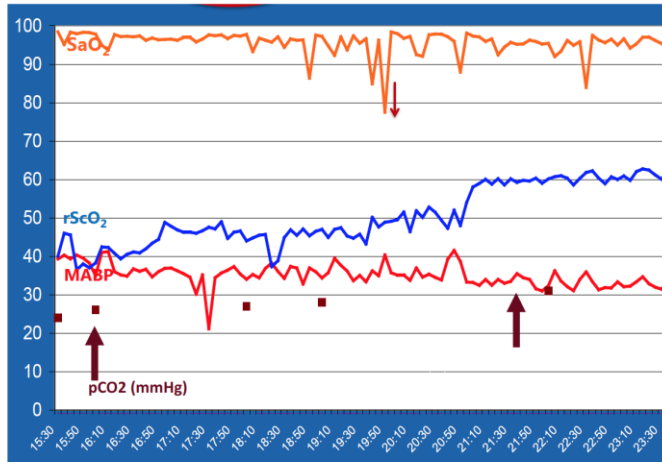


# CO2 influences cerebral oxygenation

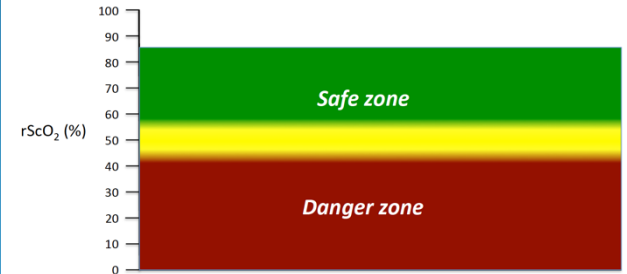
rScO<sub>2</sub>:  
regional  
cerebral  
oxygen  
saturation

## Hypocarbia during mechanical ventilation

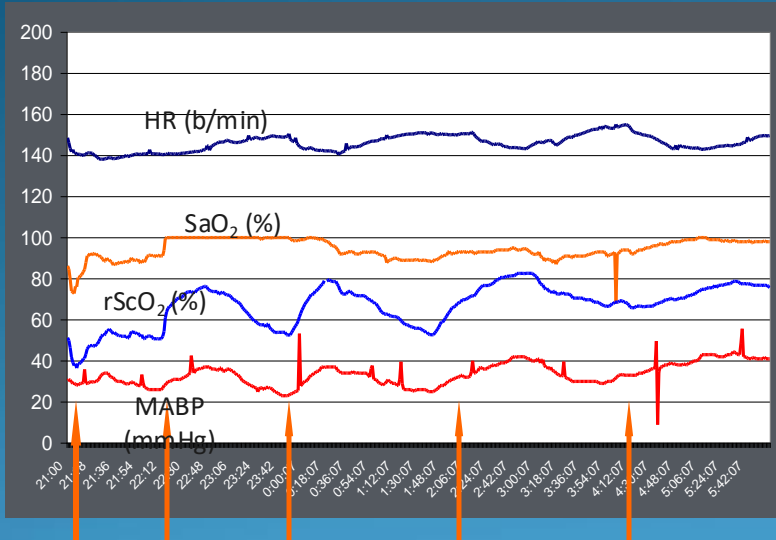
26 4/7 weeks gestation, 925 g, chorioamnionitis, day 1 of life



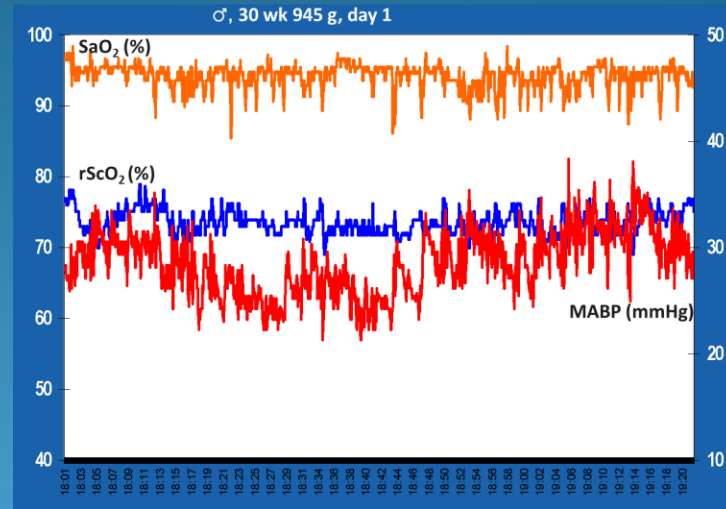
## Target rScO<sub>2</sub> ranges for newborns



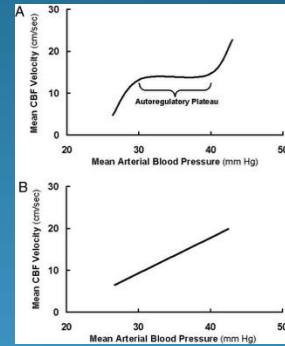
# Uses of NIRS – Estimator of autoregulatory ability



no autoregulation



with autoregulation



(Caicedo 2012; Brady 2010)

# Modes of ventilation matter...

Observational Study > J Pediatr Surg. 2016 Mar;51(3):349-53.

doi: 10.1016/j.jpedsurg.2015.07.021. Epub 2015 Aug 10.

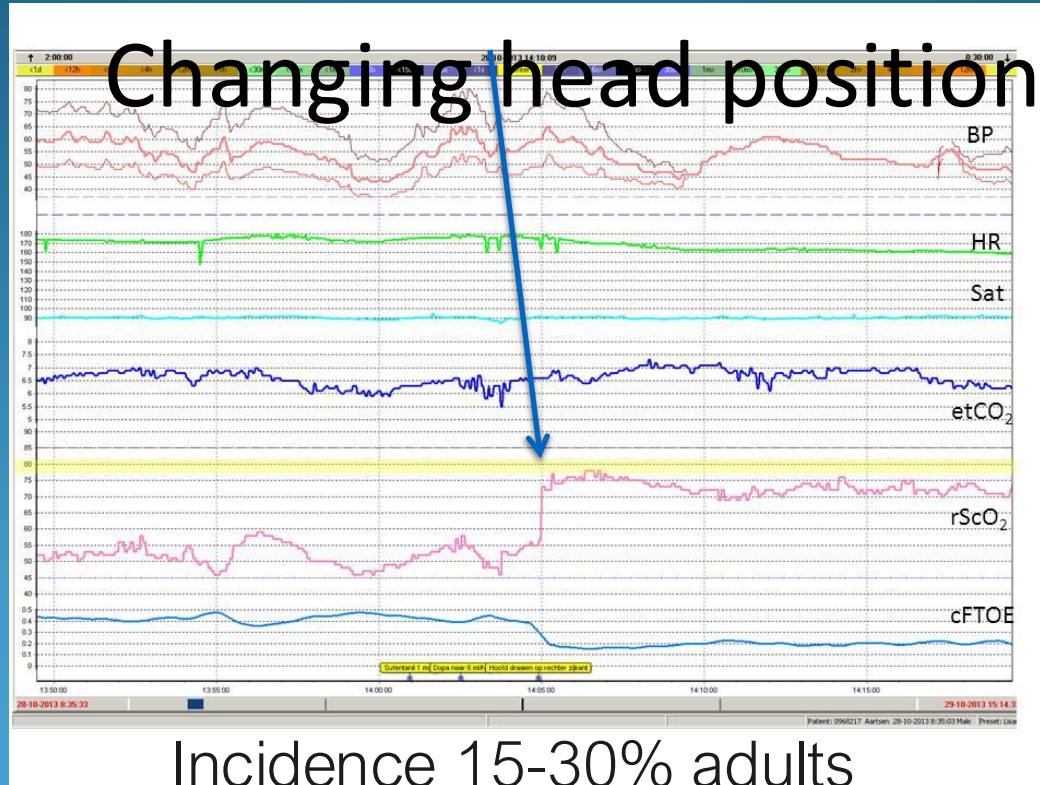
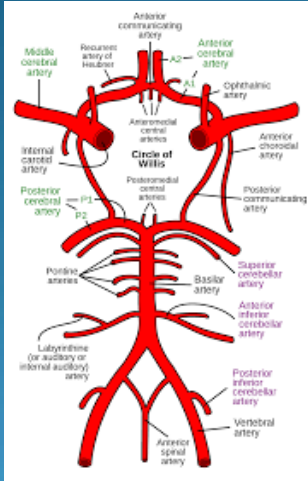
## **Effects of ventilation modalities on near-infrared spectroscopy in surgically corrected CDH infants**

Andrea Conforti <sup>1</sup>, Paola Giliberti <sup>2</sup>, Francesca Landolfo <sup>2</sup>, Laura Valfrè <sup>2</sup>, Claudia Columbo <sup>2</sup>, Vito Mondì <sup>2</sup>, Irma Capolupo <sup>2</sup>, Andrea Dotta <sup>2</sup>, Pietro Bagolan <sup>2</sup>

No intraoperative difference between HFOV and CMV  
(conventional mechanical ventilation)

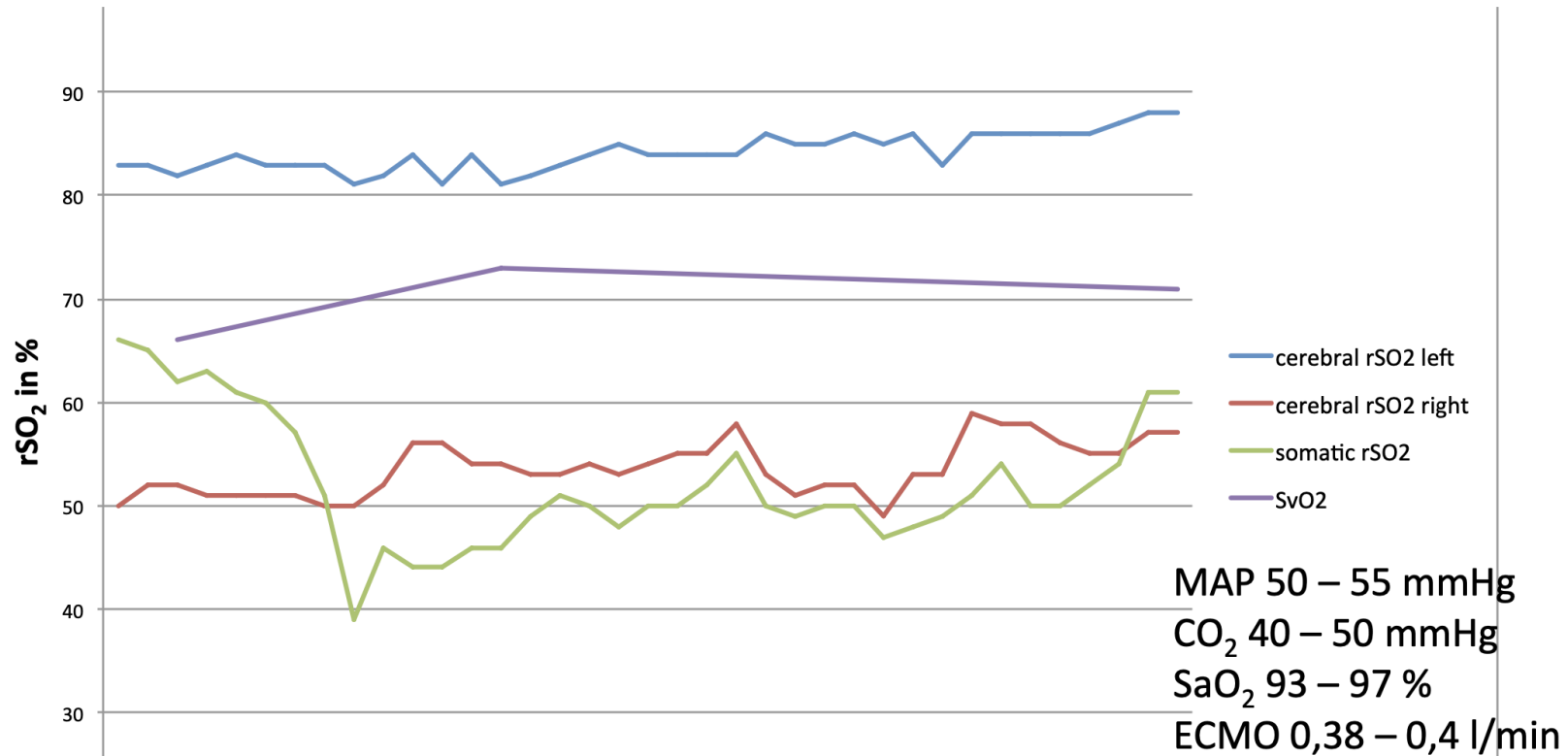
**BUT:** Patients ventilated by HFOV need a longer time interval to recovery normal rSO<sub>2</sub>C values, than those ventilated by CMV. This may be owing to a different impact of HFOV on patients' hemodynamic status with a higher impairment on total venous return and its negative consequences on cardiac output.

# Beware of circle of Willis variants



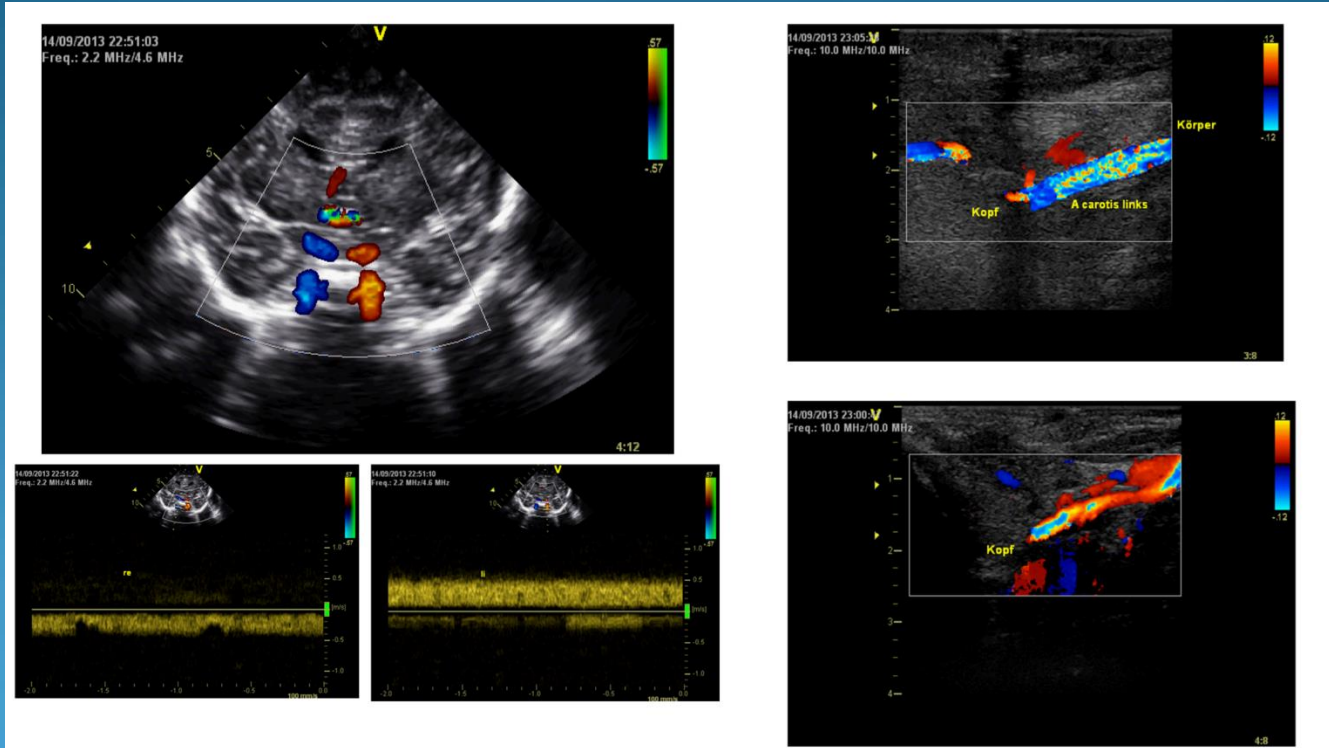
# Bilateral cNIRS can be helpful

1 month old with CHD who went on ECMO after resuscitation



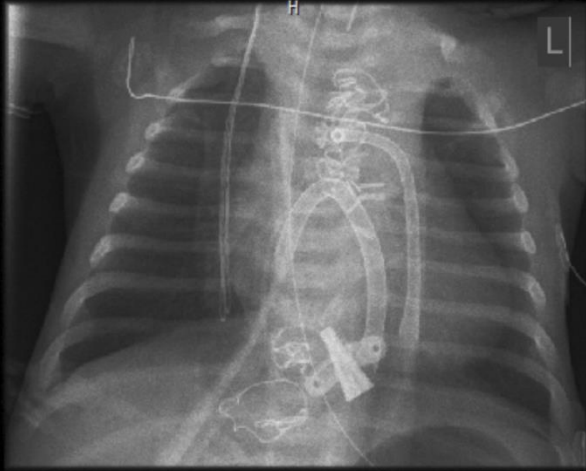
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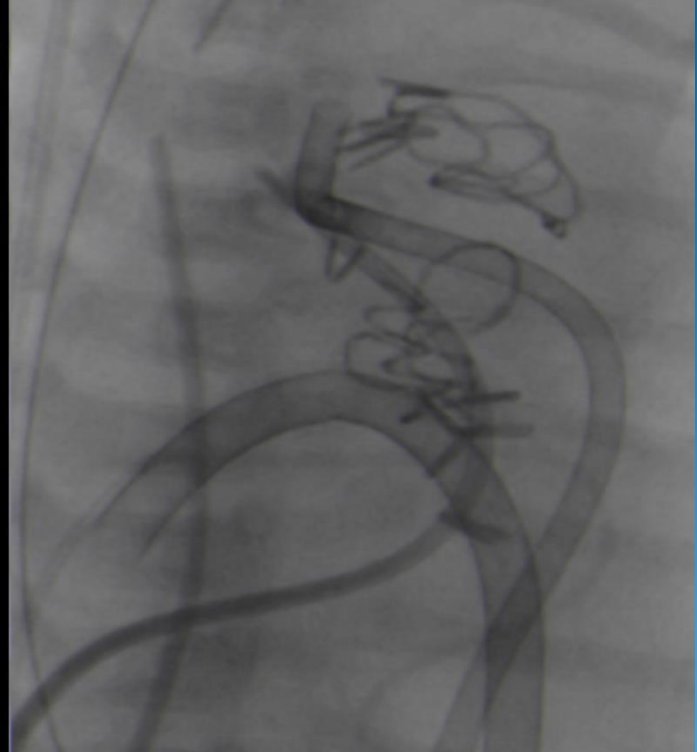


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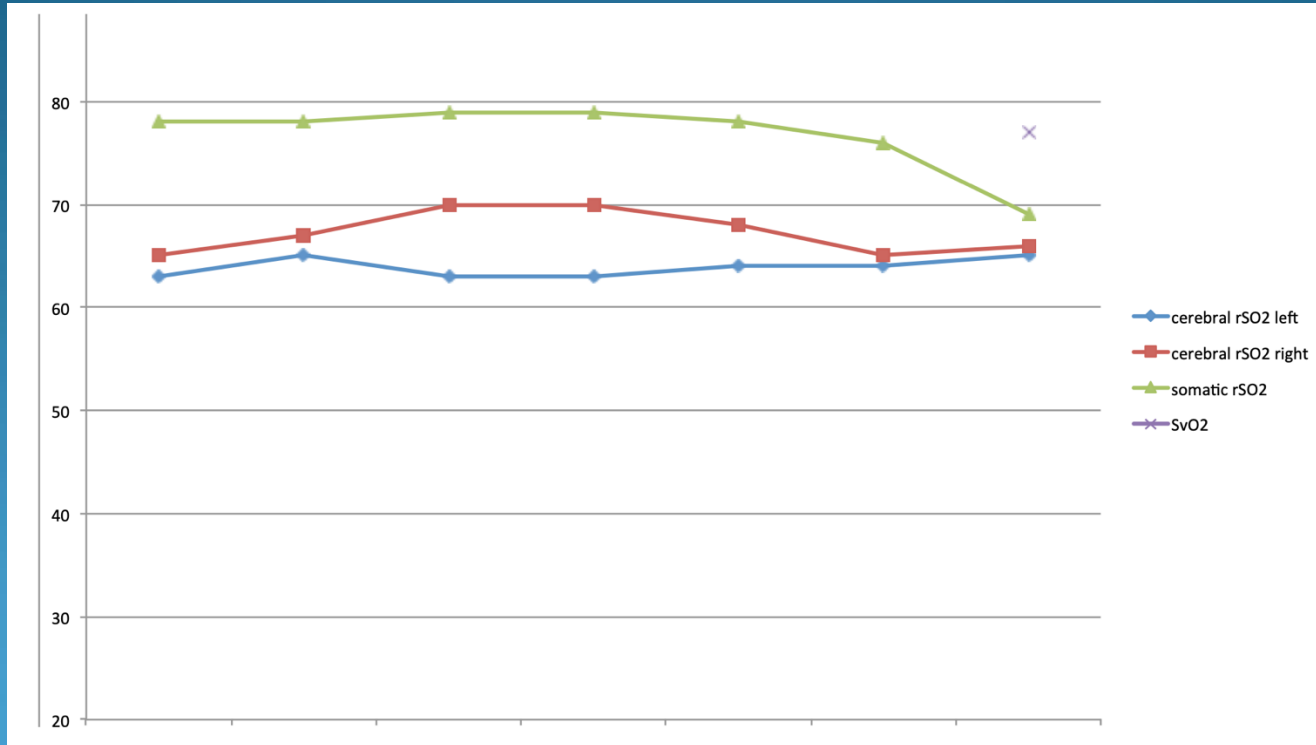
Useful tool to detect dislocation of  
arterial cannula



Case courtesy of Deutsches Herzzentrum München

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# Check and intervention plan

If rScO<sub>2</sub> is <55%

Low rScO<sub>2</sub> reflects low oxygen delivery  
so check:

arterial oxygen saturation

hemoglobin concentration  
cerebral blood flow

MAP

PDA/shunts

pCO<sub>2</sub>

If rScO<sub>2</sub> is >85%

High rScO<sub>2</sub> reflects high oxygen delivery  
so check:

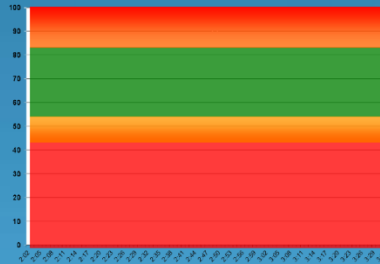
respiratory status

arterial oxygen saturation

MAP

pCO<sub>2</sub>

blood glucose level



# SafeBoosC trials

- SafeBoosC-III trial was not able to show significant advantages of NIRS monitoring in the first 72h of life
- the SafeBoosC-II trial showed a decreased number in the burden of hypoxic events

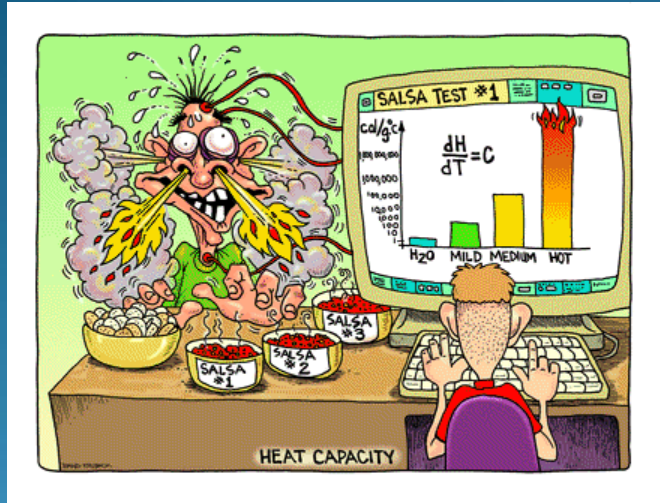
# Use right tools or all at once to see more...

Neuromonitoring	Clinics	CUS	aEEG/EEG/EP	NIRS	MRI
neonatal seizures	±	+	++	-	++
Asphyxia/HIE	++	+	++	+	++
Intracranial bleeding/ IVH/PHH	±	++	++	+	+
congenital heart disease	+	+	++	++	+
extremely preterm infant (<28wks)	+	++	++	±	+
Stroke (arterial/venous infarction)	±	+	+	-	++
Enzephalitis/Meningitis	+	±	++	-	+
cerebral malformation	+	+	+	-	++
metabolic disease	+	±	+	-	+

# Combining rScO<sub>2</sub> with aEEG provides us with additional information and can help to detect and prevent brain injury

<b>Predictive values of rScO<sub>2</sub>, aEEG score and the Combined score</b>			
<b>12 hours</b>	<b>rScO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>aEEG</b>	<b>Combined</b>
Sensitivity (%)	46	100	100
Specificity (%)	86	69	87
PPV (%)	67	62	91
NPV (%)	73	100	100
<b>24 hours</b>	<b>rScO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>aEEG</b>	<b>Combined</b>
Sensitivity (%)	92	92	92
Specificity (%)	64	76	88
PPV (%)	57	66	80
NPV (%)	94	95	95
<b>36 hours</b>	<b>rScO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>aEEG</b>	<b>Combined</b>
Sensitivity (%)	90	77	77
Specificity (%)	65	73	86
PPV (%)	53	50	70
NPV (%)	96	90	90

# THANK YOU !



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