

A Trauma Surgeon's Journey Through the World of Basic Research

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- Personal stories
- Biased opinions

Academic Surgery



Washington, DC in the 90's

Crack

The Drug that Consumed the Nation's Capital



MARION BARRY

"Outside of the killings, Washington has one of the lowest crime rates in the country."



Getting hooked on trauma

Murder Capital



Comparison of the District with 11 other cities
Homicide rates per 100,000 people

	1985	1990	1995	2000	2005
Baltimore	27.6	41.4	45.2	40.1	42.0
Detroit	58.2	56.6	47.6	41.6	39.5
Washington	23.5	77.8	65.2	41.8	35.4
Philadelphia	16.6	31.7	28.2	21.0	25.6
Dallas	30.2	44.4	26.5	19.4	16.4
Houston	26.2	34.8	18.2	11.8	16.3
Chicago	22.2	30.5	30.0	21.8	15.6
Phoenix	10.0	13.0	19.7	11.5	15.0
Boston	15.2	24.9	17.4	6.6	12.9
San Francisco	11.6	14.0	13.4	7.6	12.8
Los Angeles	24.4	28.2	24.5	14.9	12.6
New York City	19.3	30.7	16.1	8.4	6.6

Washington Hospital Center
Trauma Surgeons Ruled

Early mentor



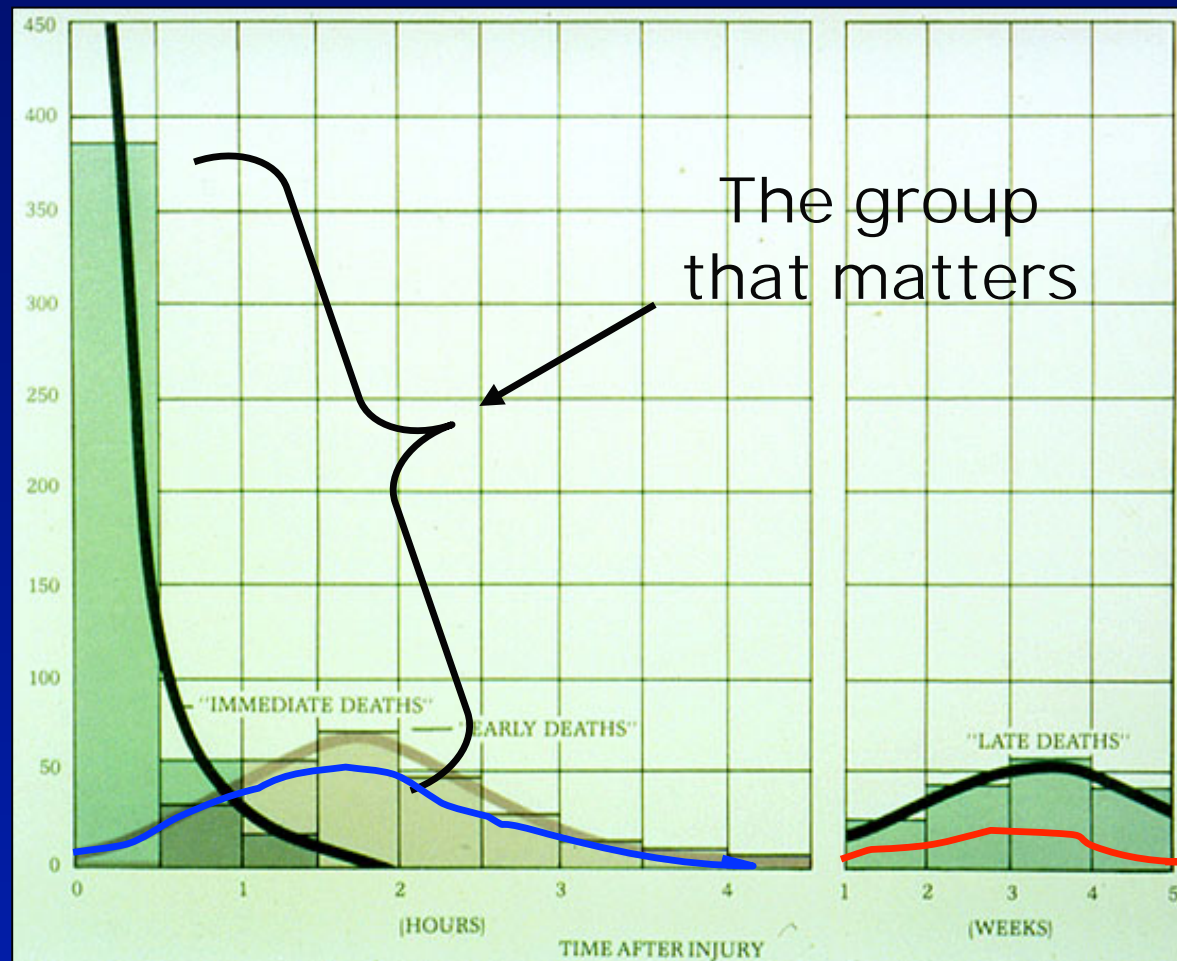
John Kirkpatrick, MD

- Scientific inquiry
- Writing clearly
- Being a good mentor
- Importance of funding

Area of Investigation

Early Trauma Care

The Trimodal Distribution Of Trauma Deaths



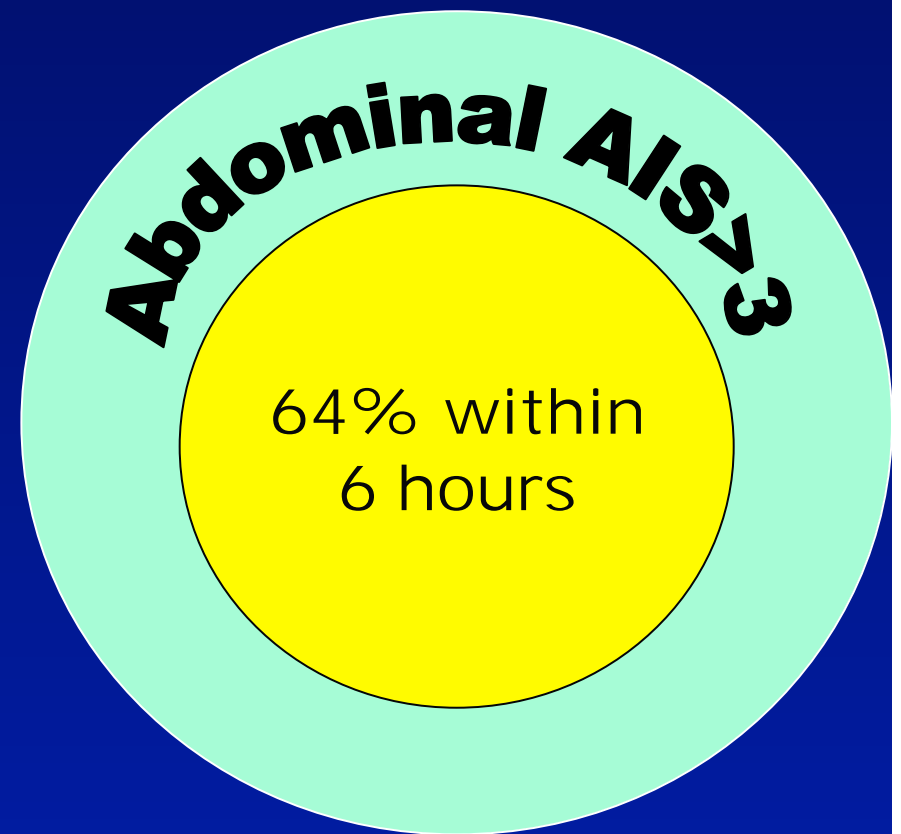
The Trimodal Distribution of Trauma Deaths

- Within the first 6 hours:
75% of penetrating deaths

Velmahos, J Trauma, 2004

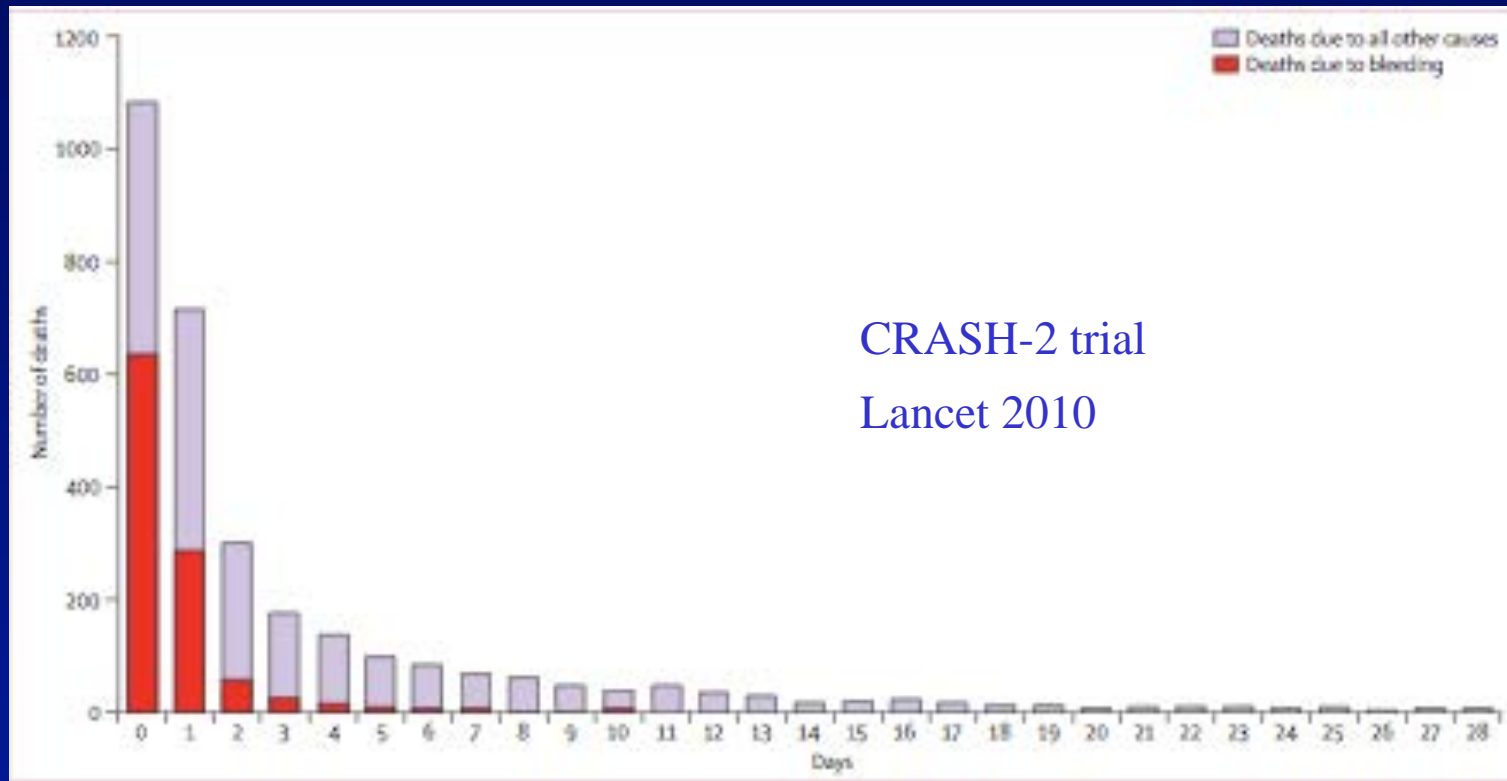
- Within the first 3 hours:
54% of blunt trauma deaths

Marson, J Trauma, 2001



Velmahos et al,
J Trauma 2004

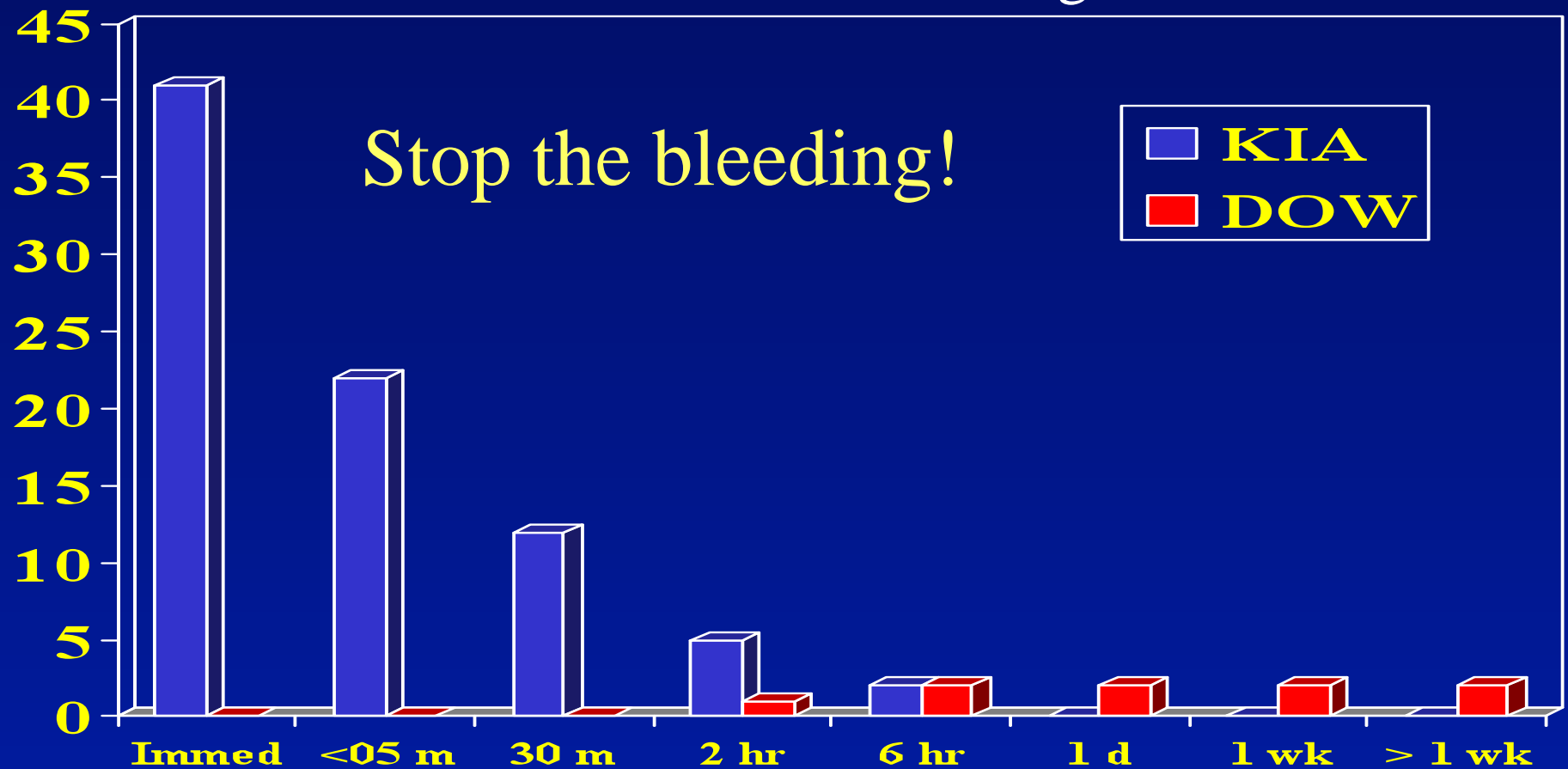
Today: trauma deaths



- RCT- 274 hospital, 40 countries, >20K patients
- Most died on the day of randomization
- Deaths due to MOF <2.5%

Percentage of Total Combat Deaths

Time from Wounding



Bellamy Anes & Periop Care of Combat Cas

Goals of early trauma care

- Keep alive
- Minimize organ injury
- Decrease bleeding

- Keep alive
- Preserve key organs
- ABC's

- Fix injuries
- Resuscitate
- Support organs

Pre-hospital



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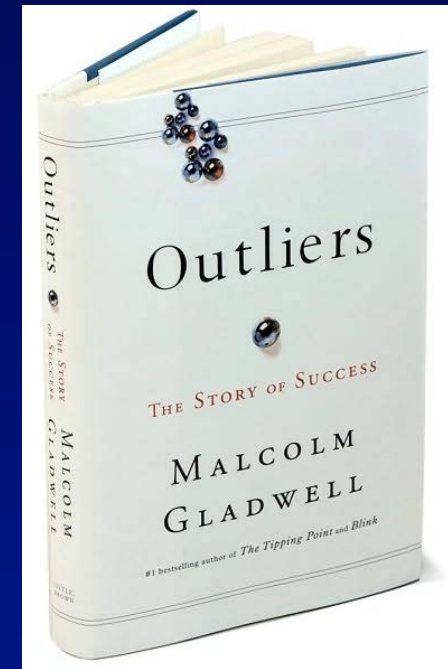


OR/SICU

Hemorrhage Control

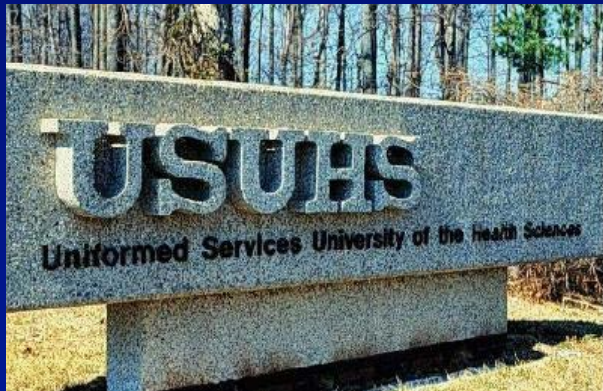
First you must stop the
bleeding....

Success = talent + hard work
+ opportunity



June 1999: “Why don’t you work
with me?” - Peter Rhee

First job



A year of sharing an office with Peter

- **Challenge the dogma**
- **Innovative solutions for common problems**
- **Share credit**
- **Promote team members**
- **Military funding system**

Alam HB and Rhee P = 40 manuscripts + 3 grants + 1 patent

Big decisions- Early 2001

- Married
- Smaller salary- more discretionary time
- Develop a research focus
- Grant writing:
 - Forward Treatment of Hemorrhagic Shock- ONR. \$1,728,488.00
 - Induced Hypothermic Arrest in Traumatic Shock . RO1 HL71698- \$1,482,000.00

Sept 2001

- “Can you find a new hemostatic dressing”
- “Need it now”





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BLACK HAWK DOWN

LEAVE NO MAN BEHIND



Comparative Analysis of Hemostatic Agents in a Swine Model of Lethal Groin Injury

Hasan B. Alam, MD, Gemma B. Uy, MD, Dana Miller, MD, Elena Koustova, PhD, Timothy Hancock, BS, Ryan Inocencio, BS, Daniel Anderson, BS, Orlando Llorente, MD, and Peter Rhee, MD, MPH



QuikClot improved survival to 100%. Wound temp 44 C

GETTY IMAGES



COURAGE



Hemorrhage Control in the Battlefield: Role of New Hemostatic Agents

Guarantor: Hasan B. Alam, MD FACS

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MILITARY MEDICINE

Armed With New Tools and Tactics, Doctors Head to the Battlefield

By GINA KOLATA

From redesigned first-aid kits to a radically new kind of surgery on the front lines, battlefield medicine has changed markedly and, as a result, doctors in the war in Iraq hope to significantly reduce the death rate from battlefield wounds — a rate that has not budged for 150 years.

Since the Civil War, experts in military medicine say, one of five wounded soldiers has died, half from profuse bleeding. Pentagon doctors hope to change that, and have mobilized an array of innovations.

Some, like putting pressure bandages in first-aid kits, are drugstore cheap. Others, like a new anticlotting drug for internal bleeding, are high-tech expensive, about \$7,000 per dose. And some, like sending radically redesigned surgical teams to operate at the front lines, involve tactics and equipment that simply were not available in the last gulf war. These special surgery units were tested in Afghanistan, where they reduced the died-of-wounds rate, the death rate for those who survived long enough for a surgeon to operate, to a fraction of a percent. For the past half-century, it has hovered around 2 percent.

Doctors said it was hard to overestimate the difference.

There was little change from Vietnam to the first gulf war in doctors' instruments, drugs, techniques or tactics. Except for some in the Army, which put surgeons in the front lines in Desert Storm, wounded soldiers received first aid from medics but no surgical care until they were evacuated to a larger hospital.

Now, all the services have small mobile surgical teams scattered throughout the battlefield, where they operate on the most severely wounded as close to the front as possible. They do the minimum oper-

Medical Evacuation

The system used by American troops

POINT OF INJURY

Procedures: Stabilize the patient, open the airway, stop bleeding, provide first aid.

TRAUMA SPECIALISTS: Trained to give emergency medical treatment.	BATTLE BUDDIES: Soldiers trained to provide combat first aid.
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INITIAL CARE

TRANSPORTATION: When safety and terrain are obstacles, armored ambulances can be used to remove the injured to a larger hospital.

Sources: United States Army; Capt. Lori...

The substance was tested for battlefield use by Dr. Hasan Alam, a trauma surgeon at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Md. Dr. Alam said he was haunted by troops who bled to death in Somalia before surgeons could help them.

For Dr. Alam, it meant that “your buddy has to stop the bleeding, not the medic, not the surgeon.”

So he turned to QuikClot, a product made of the mineral zeolite and sold over the counter by Z-Medica. It looks like cat litter but, sprinkled on a wound, it absorbs water from blood, concentrating the body's own clotting factors and speeding up the formation of a clot.

Z-Medica has supplied 50,000 doses to the military.

Dr. Alam and his colleagues tested the substance on 36 Yorkshire swine, which are close to a person's size. The results have not been published, but Dr. Alam said QuikClot converted wounds that were 100 percent fatal into wounds that were 100 percent nonfatal — clots formed and none of the animals died.

Although the Marine Corps plans to use it, other branches of the military are not yet convinced. The question is whether to use it, and at what dose. One concern is that heat is generated when QuikClot is poured on a wound, and the fear is that it might burn tissue. “We don't have a huge amount of data,” Dr. Alam said. “We've done two studies.”

Also, the troops must be trained in how to use it and surgeons must be

field.

AM: Advanced medical care, including surgery, nursing care, limited blood supply, ventilation, treatment and evacuation.

PHYSICIANS' ASSISTANTS: Perform non-surgical stabilization care.



COMBAT FIELD HOSPITAL

Procedures: Advanced surgery, special surgery, intensive care. Pharmacy. X-ray and laboratory services.

SPECIALIZED DOCTORS AND SURGEONS: Including dental, orthopedic, ophthalmological, psychiatric.	INTENSIVE CARE NURSES: Advanced care for critically injured or postoperative patient.
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THIRD-LEVEL CARE

... as close to the front as possible, in trucks or on roads, to provide care to...



... a secure position with easy access to supplies from the rear. For rehabilitation, the wounded can be airlifted out.





New P STARS AND STRIPES

Wednesday, July 10, 2002

By Amy C.

Clotting substance hailed as lifesaver

By **S** Hemostatic hero
Europ

A By **Lo** Lifesaving product of the war

Bandages that stop bleeding instantly may have saved the lives of soldiers wounded in Iraq. Now they're making their chest.

Time
November 10, 2003

By Melissa Healy
Times Staff Writer

June 23, 2003

The Wounded Come Home

WAR IN IRAQ
Battlefield Medical Advances May Save Wounded Soldiers

By DAVID P. HAMILTON
Staff Reporter of THE WALL STREET JOURNAL
March 20, 2003

FASTER BLOOD-CLOTTING VIA VOLCANIC ROCK

SPECIAL ANNUAL ISSUE

The McGraw-Hill Companies
BusinessWeek

JULY 1, 2002

www.businessweek.com

did, and now—10 years and three patents later—the erstwhile inventor is commercializing QuikClot. When sprinkled into a wound, the

QUIKCLOT EVALUATION SHEET

(Please print and answer all questions possible. Answers will not be released to the public without written specific authorization.)

Name: Jerome Taylor, MD Title: Battalion Surgeon / 2nd MARINE DIVISION
Company/Organization: Currently: Light Armored Reconnaissance / Formerly: 2nd Battalion 8th Marines
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City, State, Zip: 32A Country: USA
Phone: 910-451-5987 Fax: _____ Email: taylorj03e2mar@iv.usmc.mil

PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR USE OF QUIKCLOT: (attach additional sheets if necessary)

Date: ~~12/29/03~~ March 2003 - July 2003 Location: Operation Iraqi Freedom

Description: I was the battalion surgeon for a Marine Infantry battalion during the start of OIF. While on the battlefield I treated ten casualties with Quickclot and without a doubt it prevented massive hemorrhage as well as loss of limbs. I recommend wide usage of this product.

Evaluation: Outstanding!

Any additional comments:

I agree that different sizes should be made available or some sort of re-sealable package

Signature:  Date: 12/29/03

PLEASE RETURN TO ADDRESS BELOW, ATTENTION: JESSICA PERKINS

QUIKLOT EVALUATION SHEET

(Please print and answer all questions possible. Answers will not be released to the public without written specific authorization.)

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Company/Organization: U.S. Army
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City, State, Zip: FT Polk LA 71459 Country: USA
Phone: 337 531-5057 Fax: _____ Email: David.beneit@us.army.mil

PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR USE OF QUIKLOT: (attach additional sheets if necessary)

Date: 24 May 03 Location: Baghdad Iraq

Description: Treat a gunshot wound (GSW) to right thigh. Patient was bleeding profusely. Applied Quikclot. The bleeding stopped in returning saving the soldier's leg and life

Evaluation: I think this product is great. ^{I am} ~~would~~ recommending to superiors to keep product on hand

Any additional comments:

Signature: David A. Beneit Date: 29 Oct 03

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The greatest privilege is to make a difference.

J Trauma. 2004;56:974–983.

The Journal of TRAUMA® Injury, Infection, and Critical Care

Application of a Zeolite Hemostatic Agent Achieves 100% Survival in a Lethal Model of Complex Groin Injury in Swine

Hasan B. Alam, MD, Zheng Chen, MD, PhD, Amin Jaskille, MD, Racel Ireneo Luis C. Querol, MD, Elena Koustova, PhD, Ryan Inocencio, BS, Richard Conran, MD, Adam Seufert, HS, Nanna Ariaban, BS, Kevin Toruno, BS, and Peter Rhee, MD, MPH

J Trauma. 2006;61:1312–1320.

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Testing of Modified Zeolite Hemostatic Dressings in a Large Animal Model of Lethal Groin Injury

Naresh Ahuja, MD, Todd A. Ostomel, PhD, Peter Rhee, MD, Galen D. Stucky, PhD, Richard Conran, MD, Zheng Chen, MD, PhD, Ghada A. Al-Mubarak, MD, George Velmahos, MD, Marc deMoya, MD, and Hasan B. Alam, MD

QuikClot Use in Trauma for Hemorrhage Control: Case Series of 103 Documented Uses

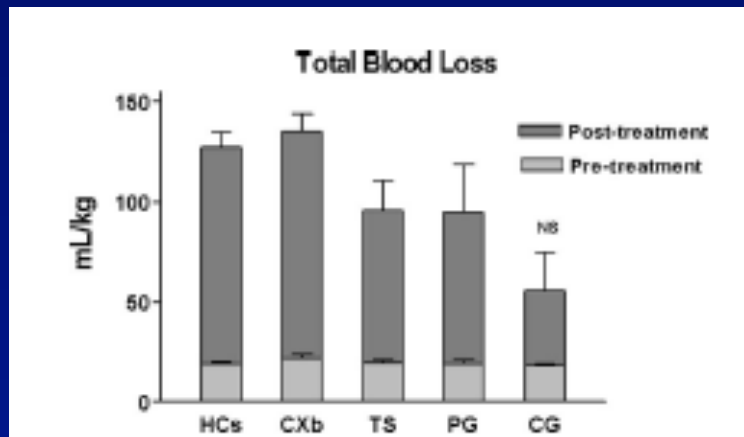
Peter Rhee, MD, MPH, Carlos Brown, MD, Matthew Martin, MD, Ali Salim, MD, Dove Plurad, MD, Donald Green, MD, Lowell Chambers, MD, Demetrios Demetriades, MD, PhD, George Velimatos, MD, and Hassan Alam, MD

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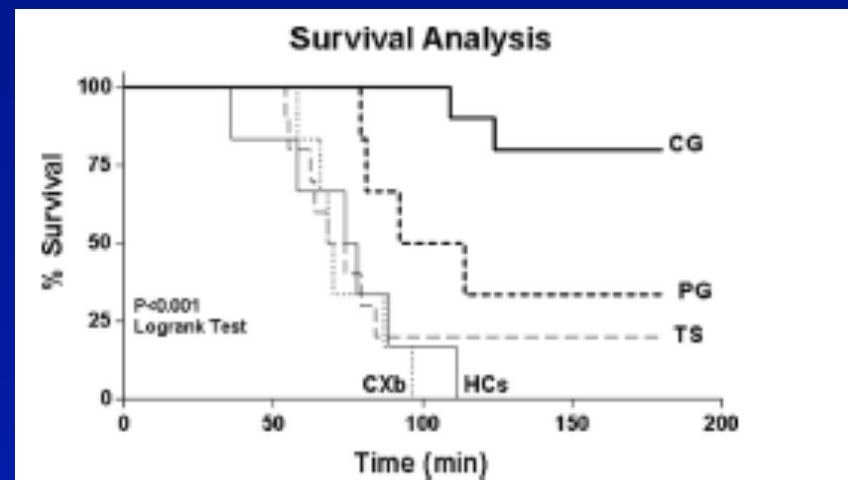




2nd generation dressings



QuikClot Combat Gauze now recommended as first line of treatment





Lessons learned

- Take risks
- Think big
- **WRITE**

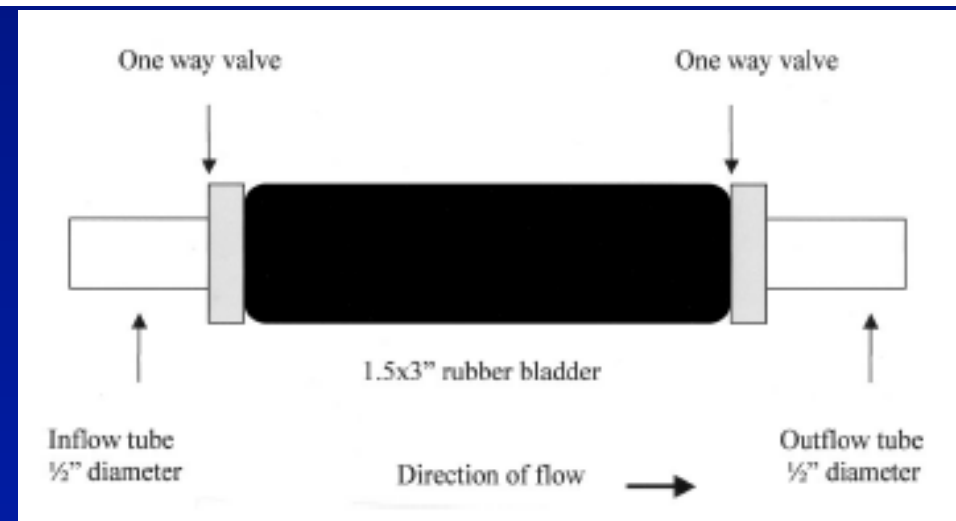
Biggest predictor of academic success = Ability to write Clearly, on Schedule, and Consistently

A word about intellectual property

A Portable Handpump Is Effective in the Evacuation of Hemothorax in a Swine Model of Penetrating Chest Injury

Amin Jaskille, MD, Peter Rhee, MD, MPH, Elena Koustova, PhD, Timothy Hancock, BS, Ryan Inocencio, BS, Troy A. Lewis, BS, Adam Seufert, HS, and Hasan B. Alam, MD

J Trauma. 2003;55:864-868.



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(54) **PORTABLE HAND PUMP FOR EVACUATION OF FLUIDS**

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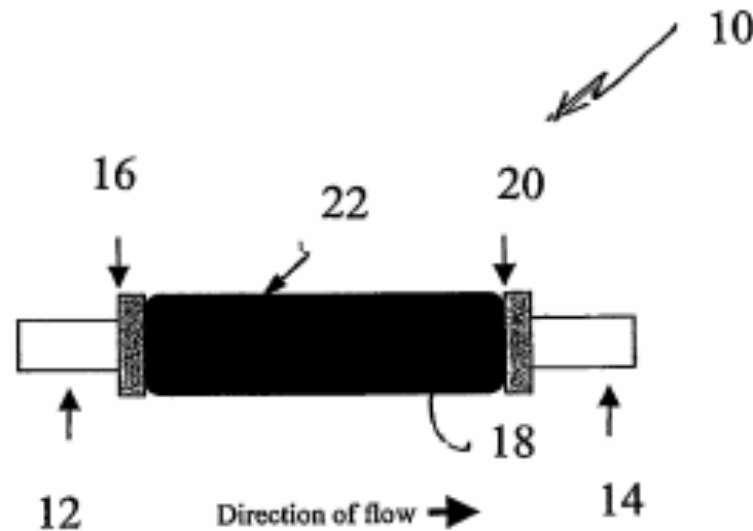
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A manually operable pump for the effective removal of fluids to include blood, blood clots, fluid, and air from a body cavity of a subject is provided. The manually operable pump is adapted to be connect to a range of fluid conduits and is equipped with one-way valves that effectively permit flow of fluid through the pump in only one direction. The sensitivity of the one-way valves is such that when properly positioned, fluid can flow through the valves and out of the pump without manual compression of the pump and with the aid of gravity power alone.



DRAINAGE DEVICES

ASPIRA* PLEURAL DRAINAGE

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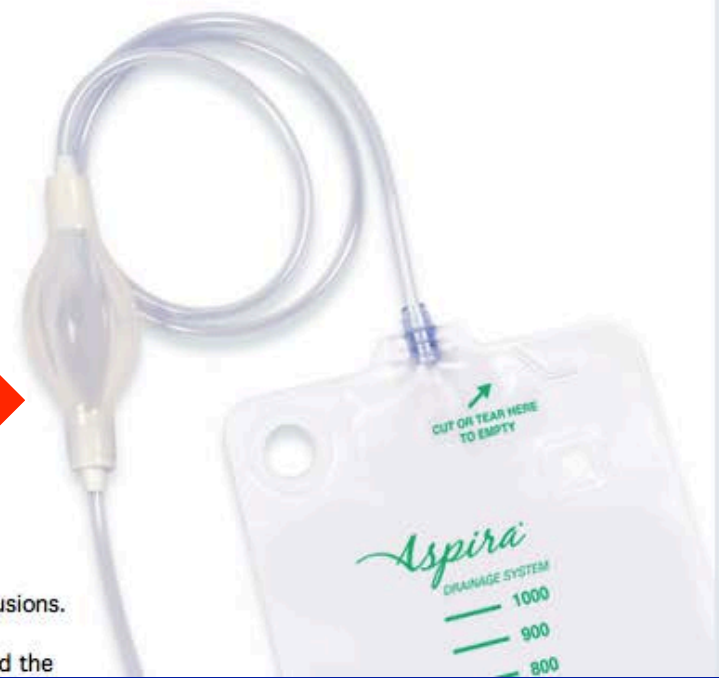
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Compassionate Treatment for Malignant Pleural Effusion Patients



The Aspira* Pleural Drainage Catheter is a tunneled, long-term catheter used to drain accumulated fluid from the pleural cavity to relieve symptoms associated with malignant pleural effusion and other recurrent pleural effusions.

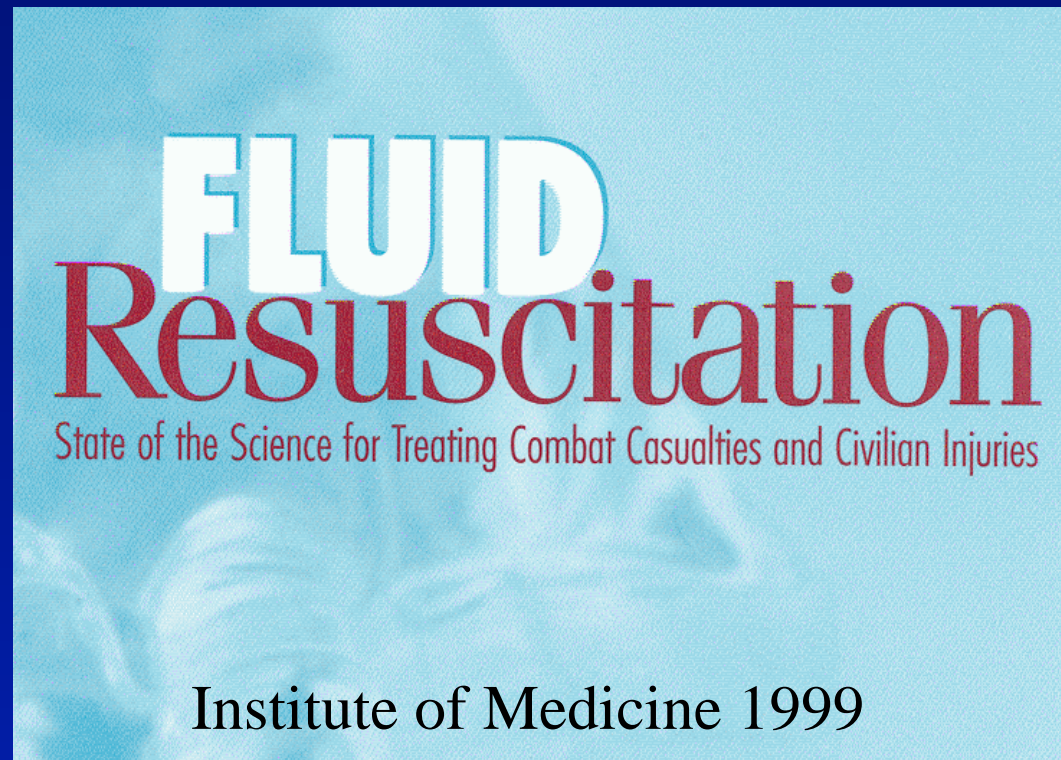
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30 Million devices manufactured

Resuscitation

Aggressive fluid resuscitation for bleeding trauma patient: Good or bad?



Impact of Resuscitation fluids on Cellular Functions



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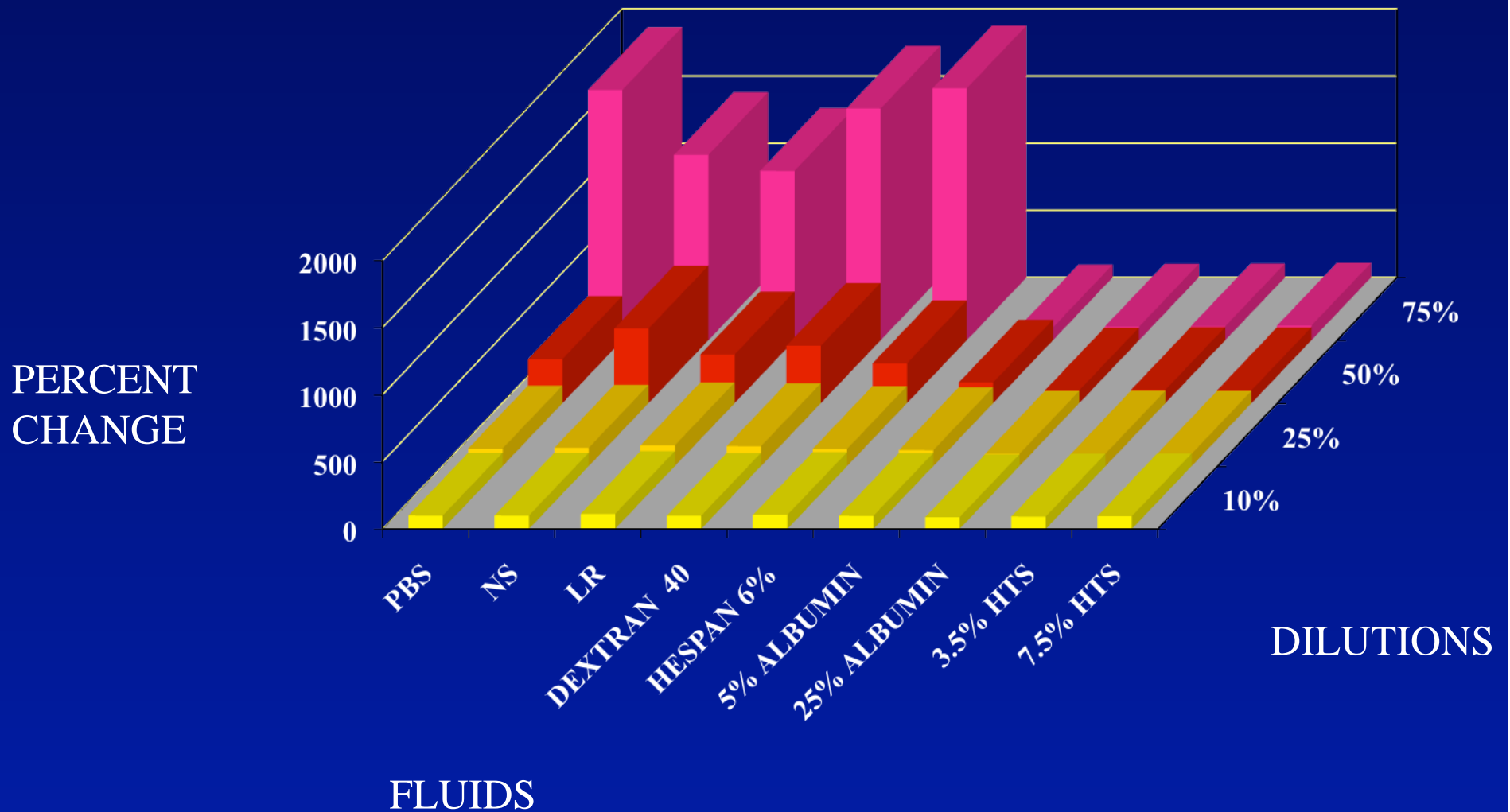


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Effect of different resuscitation strategies on neutrophil activation in a swine model of hemorrhagic shock

Hasan B. Alam^{a,b,*}, Kathleen Stanton^a, Elena Koustova^a,
David Burris^a, Norman Rich^a, Peter Rhee^{a,c}

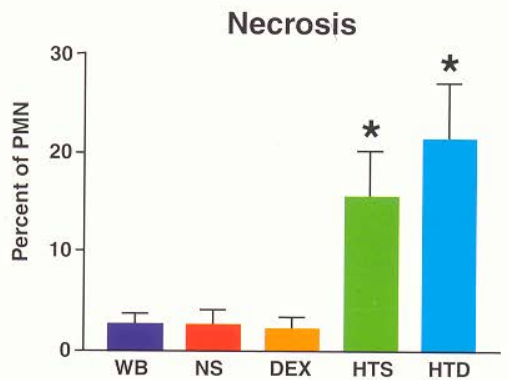
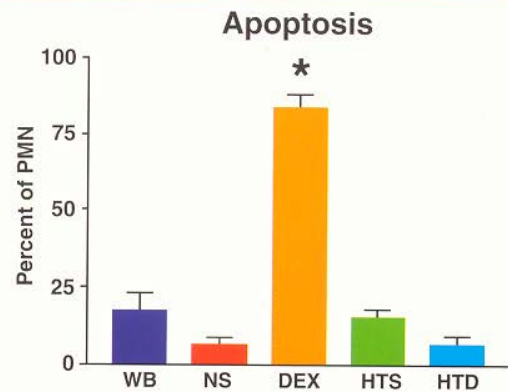
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Human Polymorphonuclear Cell Death after Exposure to Resuscitation Fluids In Vitro: Apoptosis versus Necrosis

Kathleen Stanton, MS, Hasan B. Alam, MD, Peter Rhee, MD, MPH, Orlando Llorente, MD, John Kirkpatrick, MD, and Elena Koustova, PhD

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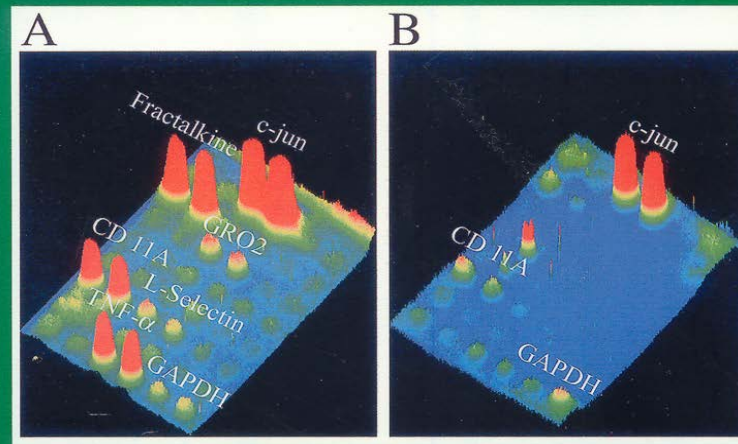
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Effects of Lactated Ringer's Solutions on Human Leukocytes

Elena Koustova, PhD, Kathleen Stanton, MS, Vadim Gushchin, MD, Hasan B. Alam, MD,
Svetlana Stegalkina, MS, and Peter M. Rhee, MD, MPH

J Trauma. 2002;52:867–871.

Cytokine Expression Profiling in Human Leukocytes after Exposure to Hypertonic and Isotonic Fluids

Vadim Gushchin, MD, Svetlana Stegalkina, MS, Hasan B. Alam, MD, John R. Kirkpatrick, MD, Peter M. Rhee, MD, MPH, and Elena Koustova, PhD

cDNA Profiling in Leukocytes Exposed to Hypertonic Resuscitation Fluids

J Am Coll Surg 2003;197:426-432

Vadim Gushchin, MD, Hasan B Alam, MD, FACS, Peter Rhee, MD, MPH, FACS, John R Kirkpatrick, MD, FACS, Elena Koustova, PhD

Resuscitation-Induced Pulmonary Apoptosis and Intracellular Adhesion Molecule-1 Expression in Rats Are Attenuated by the Use of Ketone Ringer's Solution

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Hasan B Alam, MD, Brenda Austin, BS, Elena Koustova, PhD, Peter Rhee, MD, MPH, FACS

Ketone and pyruvate Ringer's solutions decrease pulmonary apoptosis in a rat model of severe hemorrhagic shock and resuscitation

Elena Koustova, PhD, Peter Rhee, MD, MPH, Timothy Hancock, BS, Huazhen Chen, MD, Ryan Inocencio, BS, Amin Jaskille, MD, William Hanes, BA, C. Robert Valeri, MD, and Hasan B. Alam, MD, *Bethesda, Md; Los Angeles, Calif; Boston, Mass; Washington, DC*

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- Elimination of D-lactate decreases apoptotic cell death



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Harvard Medical School today



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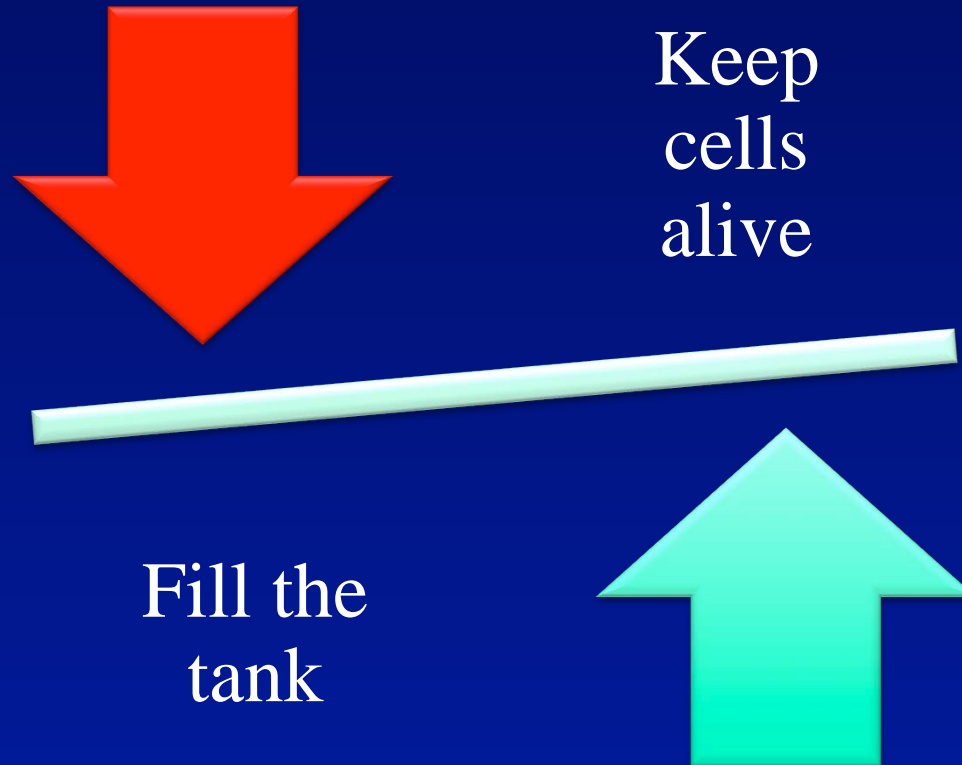




Making survivors out of non-survivors



Surviving Blood Loss (SBL) Program



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cDNA array analysis of gene expression following hemorrhagic shock and resuscitation in rats

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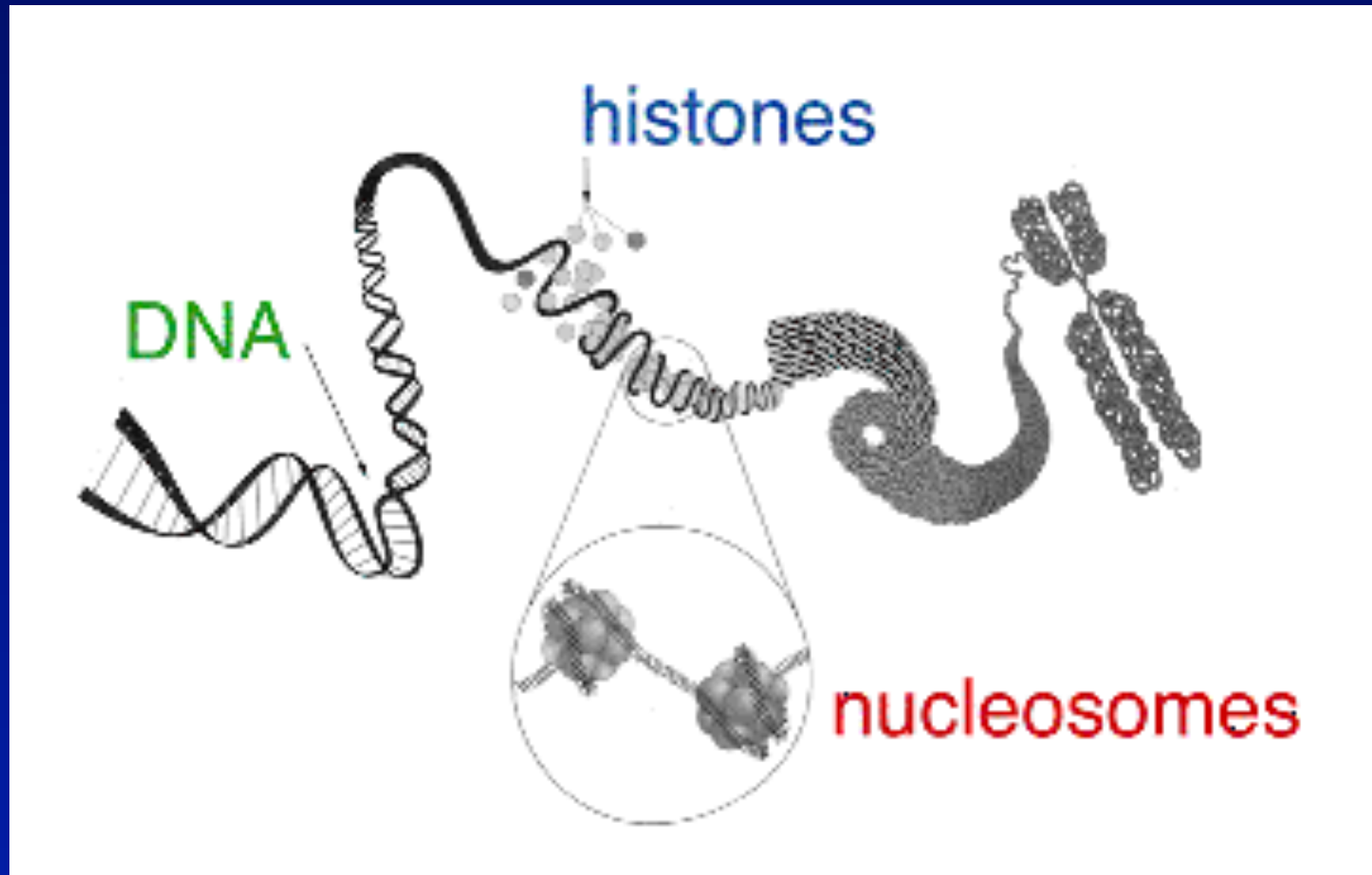
^c *The Naval Medical Center, San Diego, DC, USA*

Identification of Expression Patterns Associated with Hemorrhage and Resuscitation: Integrated Approach to Data Analysis

J Trauma, 2006;60:701–724.

Huazhen Chen, MD, Hasan B. Alam, MD, Racel Ireneo Luis C. Querol, MD, Peter Rhee, MD, Yongqing Li, MD, PhD, and Elena Koustova, PhD

Epigenetic regulation



Acetylation

- Controlled by two enzyme systems:

Histone acetyltransferase (HAT) - ↑ transcription

Histone deacetylase (HDAC) - ↓ transcription

- **Histone Deacetylase Inhibitors (HDACI- ↑ acetylation**
 - Nuclear histones= ↑ transcription
 - Cytoplasmic proteins= altered function

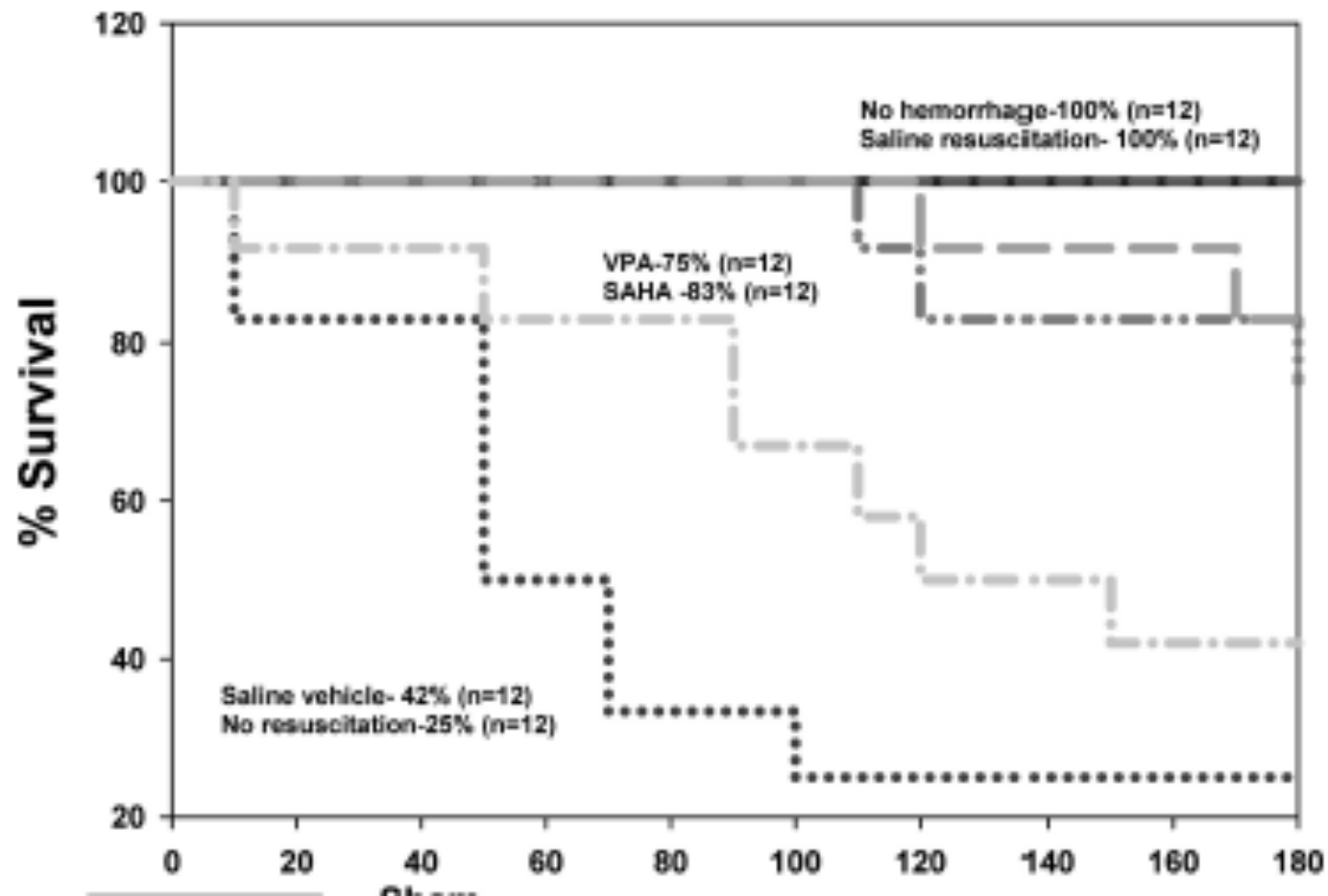
Surviving Blood Loss Without Fluid Resuscitation

Christian Shults, MD, Elizabeth A. Sailhamer, MD, Yongqing Li, MD, PhD, Baoling Liu, MD,

Malek Tabbara, MD, Muhammad Umar Butt, MD, Fahad Shuja, MD, Marc deM

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Prevention of Hypoxia-Induced Neuronal Apoptosis Through Histone Deacetylase Inhibition

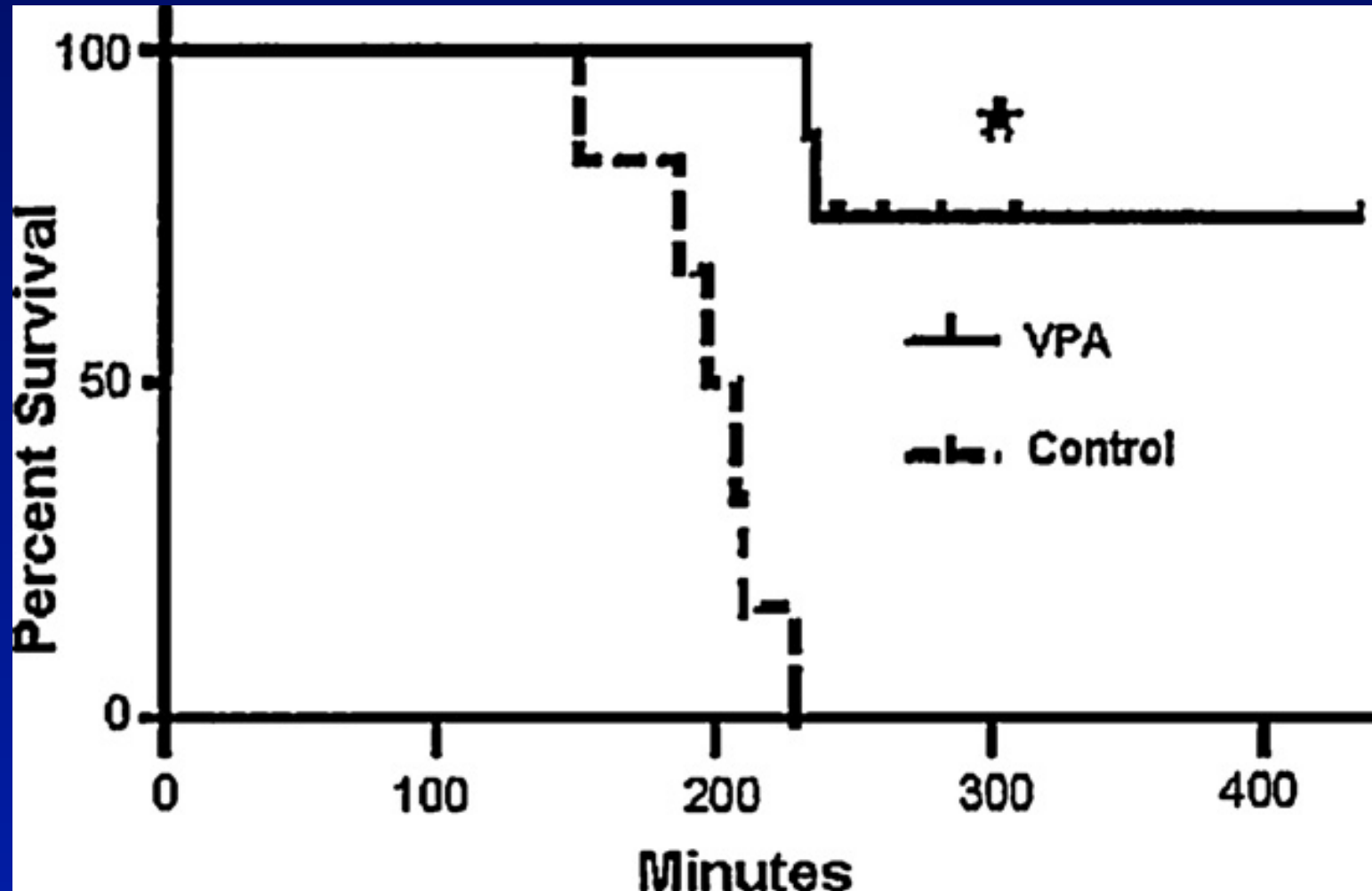
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Is acetylation the new phosphorylation?
EMBO J 2000

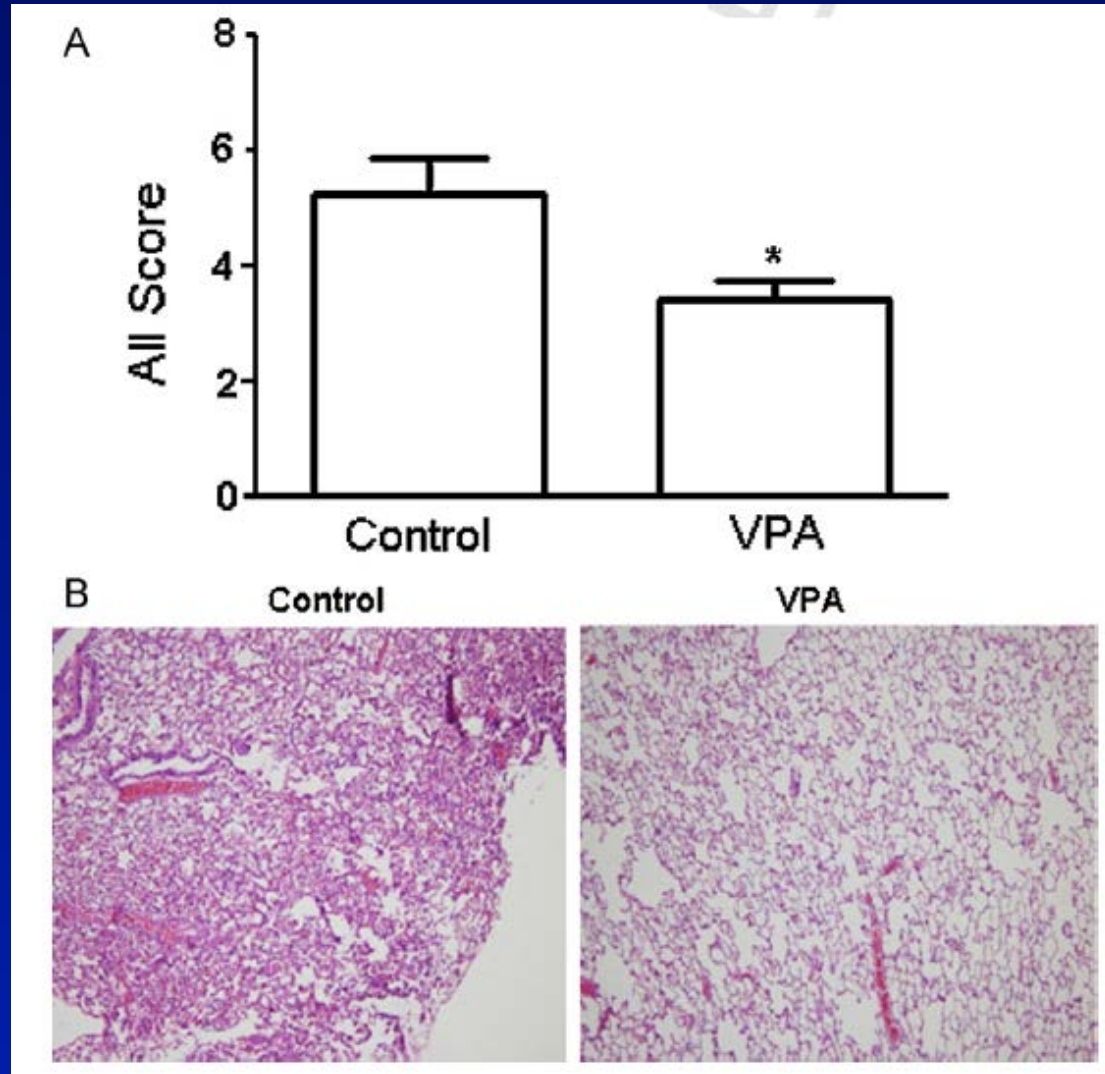
Acetylation: a novel method for modulation of the immune response following trauma/hemorrhage and inflammatory second hit in animals and humans

Elizabeth A. Sailhamer, MD,^a Yongqing Li, MD, PhD,^a Eleanor J. Smith,^a Fahad Shuja, MD,^a Christian Shults, MD,^{a,c} Baoling Liu, MD,^a Chad Soupir, MD,^b Marc deMoya, MD,^a George Velmahos, MD,^a and Hasan B. Alam, MD,^a Boston, Mass and Washington, DC

HDACI improve survival in intestinal ischemia-reperfusion



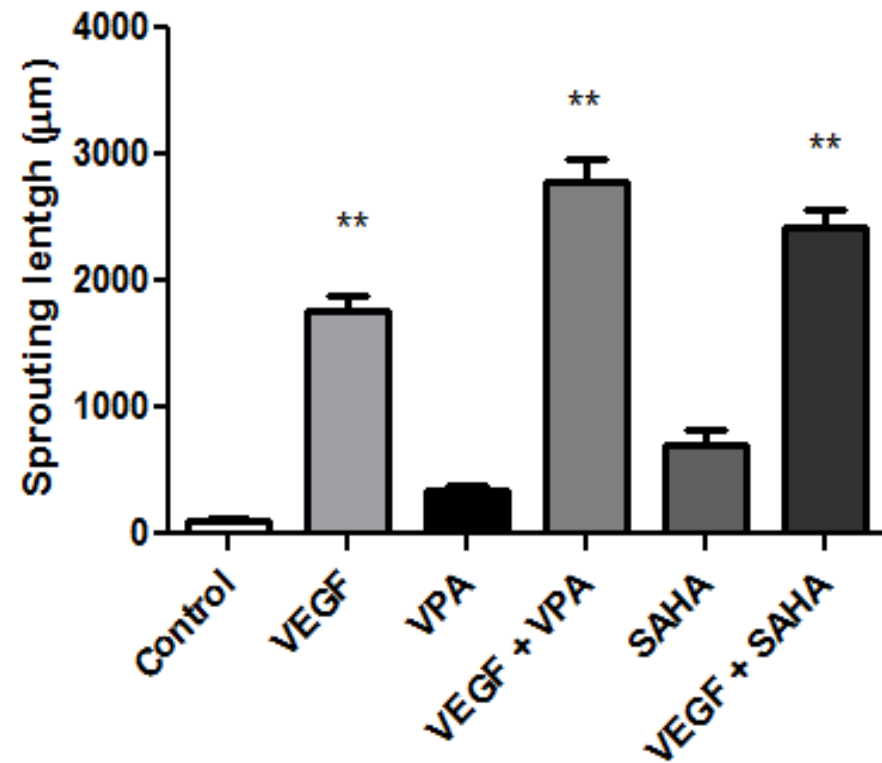
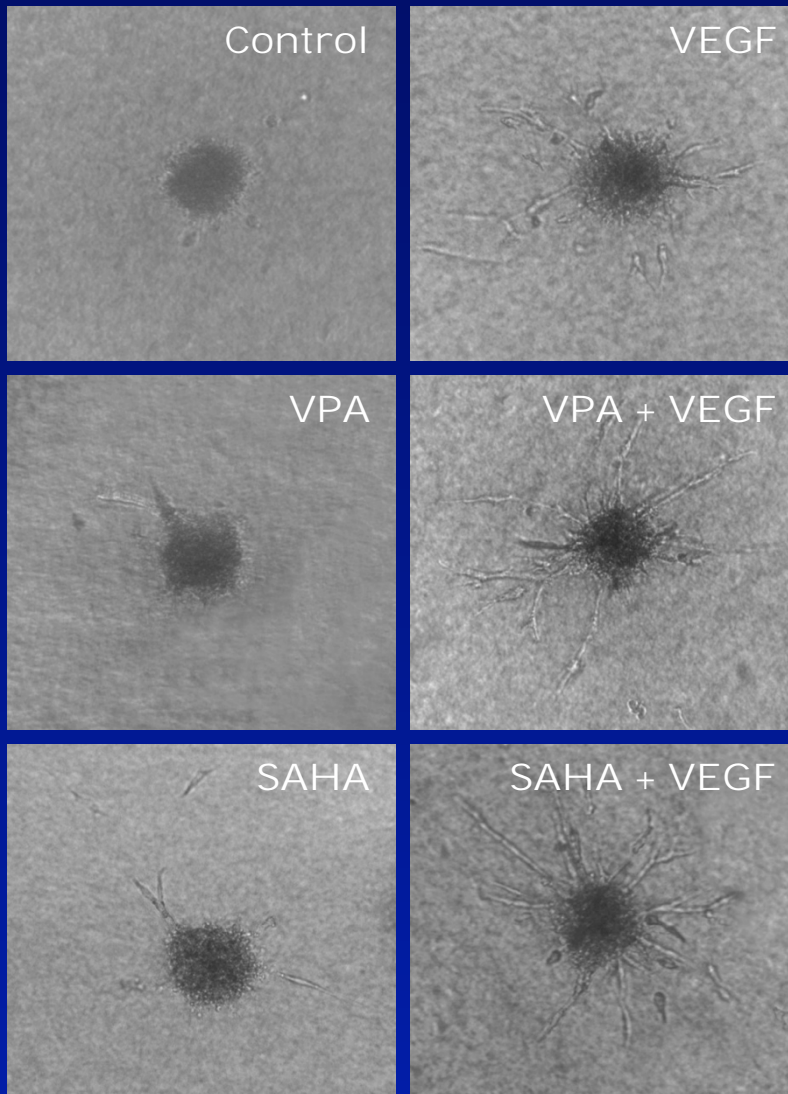
.. and decreased distant organ injury (ALI)



Histone deacetylase inhibitors enhance endothelial cell sprouting angiogenesis in vitro

Guang Jin, MD, PhD,^a Dirk Bausch, MD,^{b,c} Knightly Thomas, BS,^a Zhengcai Liu, MD,^a Yongqing Li, MD, PhD,^a Baoling Liu, MD,^a Jennifer Lu, BS,^a Wei Chong, MD, PhD,^a George Velmahos, MD, PhD,^a and Hasan B. Alam, MD,^b *Cambridge, Massachusetts, and Freiburg, Germany*

Surgery Sep 2011



Histone deacetylase inhibitor suberoylanilide hydroxamic acid attenuates Toll-like receptor 4 signaling in lipopolysaccharide-stimulated mouse macrophages

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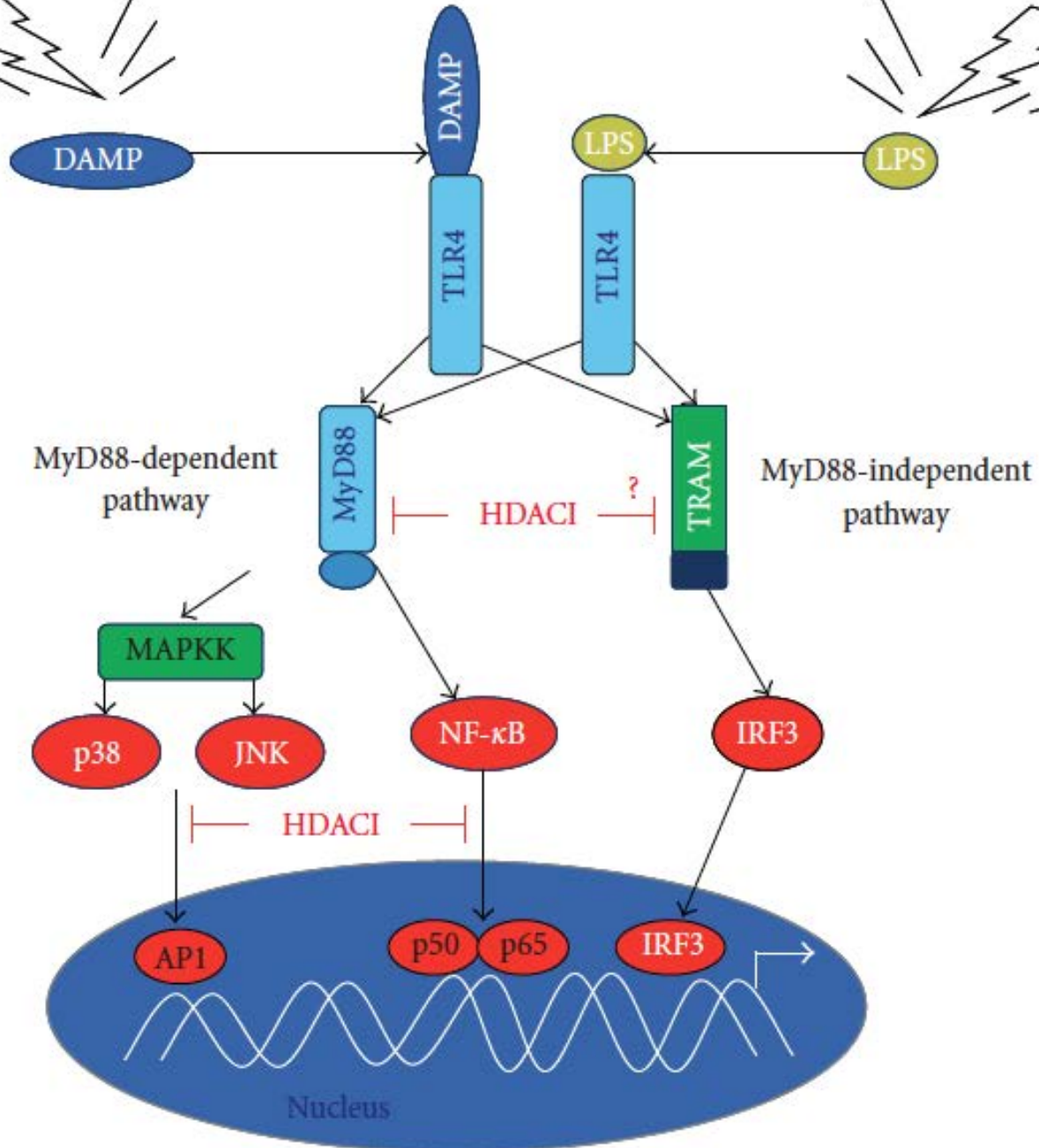
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Hemorrhagic shock

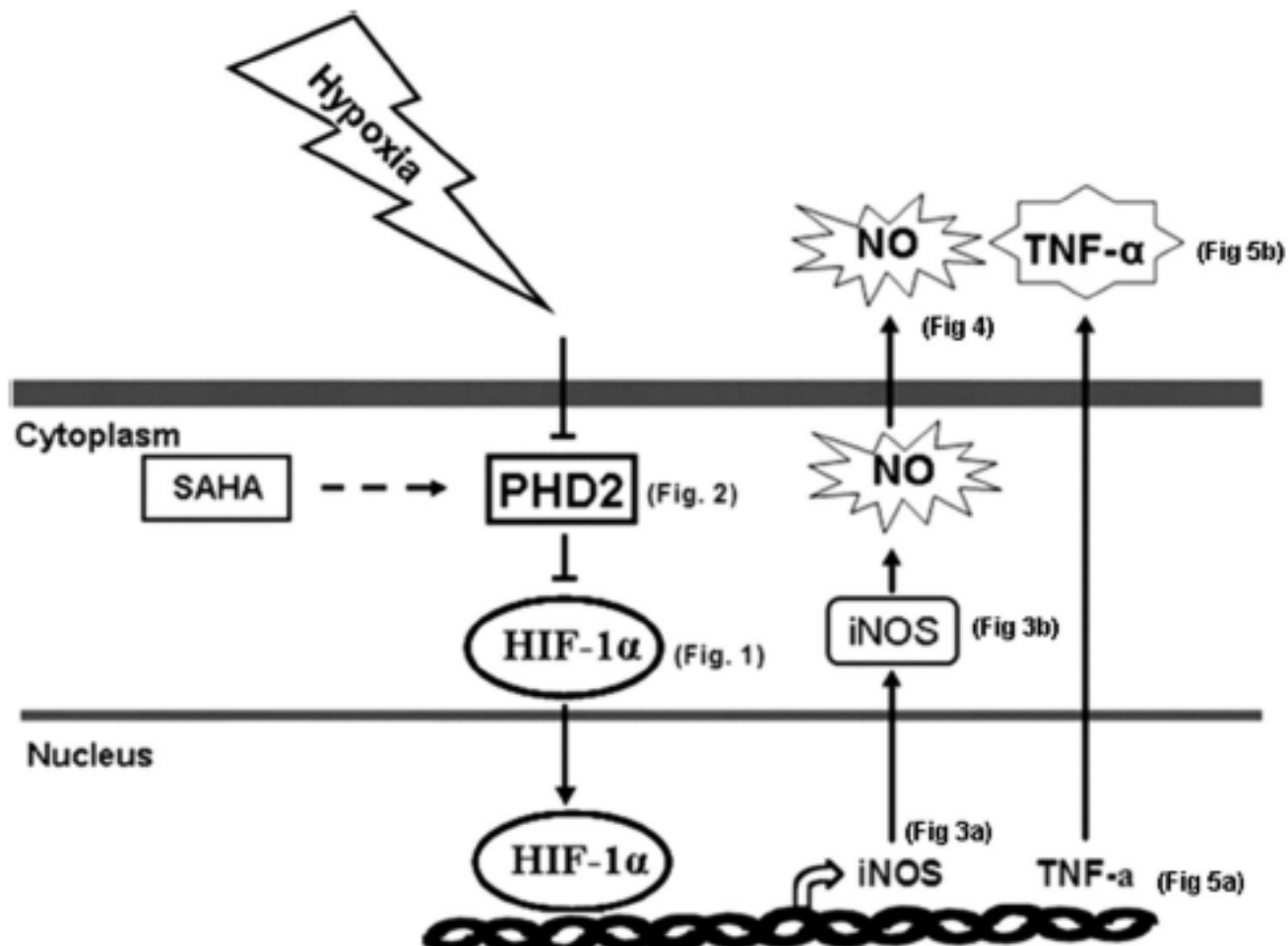
Bacterial infection



Anti-inflammatory properties of histone deacetylase inhibitors: A mechanistic study

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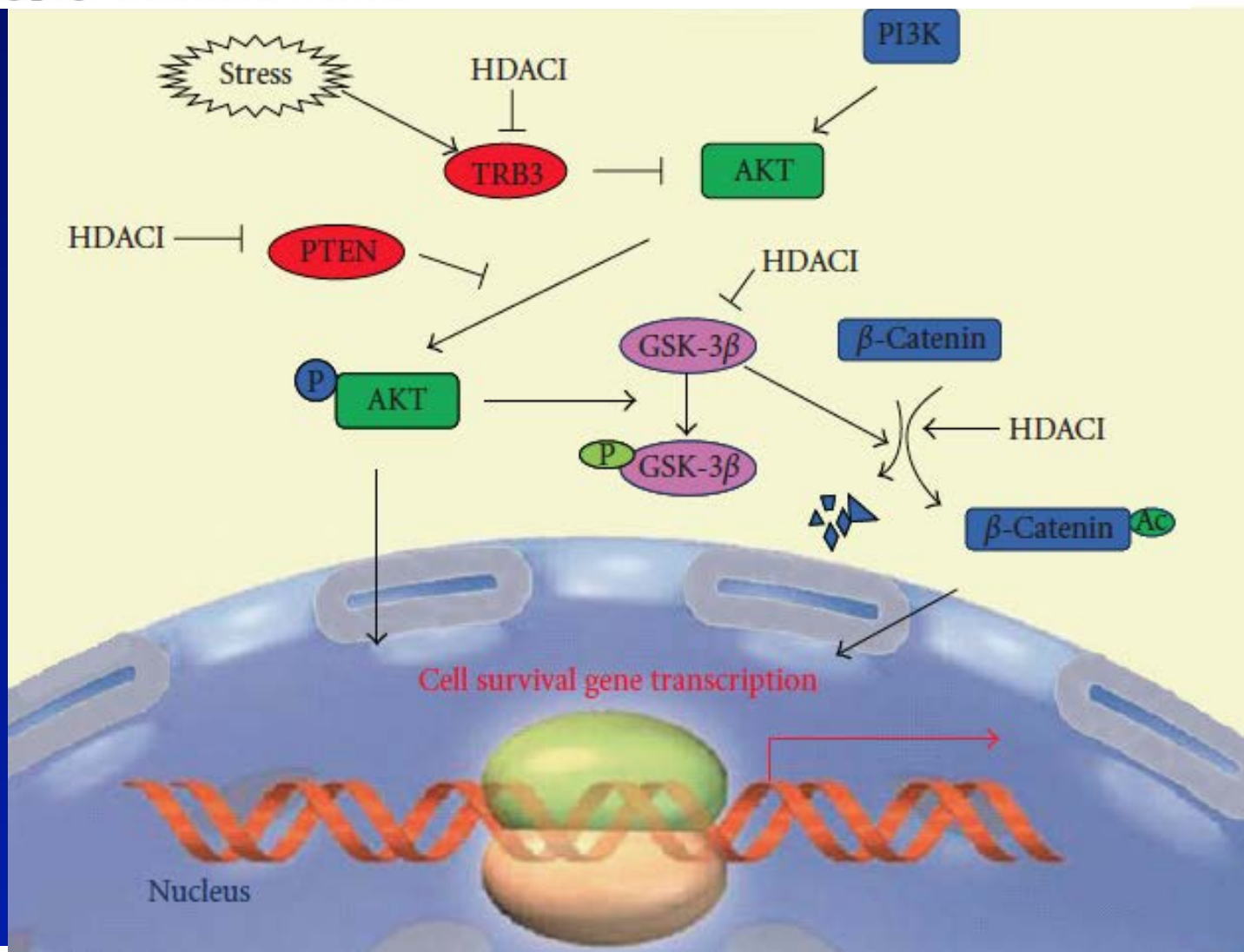
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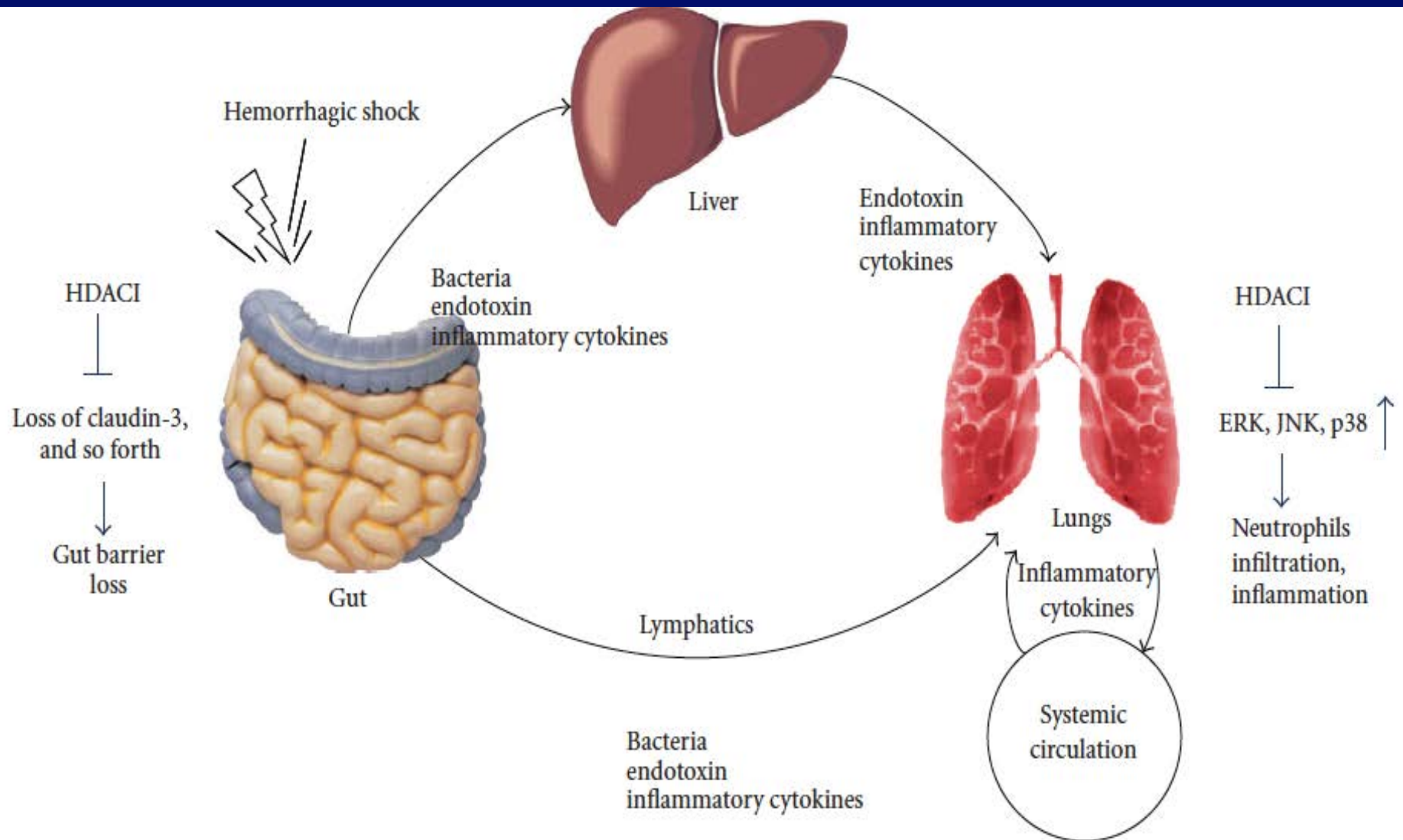


Modulation of Acetylation: Creating a Pro-survival and Anti-Inflammatory Phenotype in Lethal Hemorrhagic and Septic Shock

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Yongqing Li and Hasan B. Alam





Surviving blood loss without blood transfusion in a swine poly-trauma model

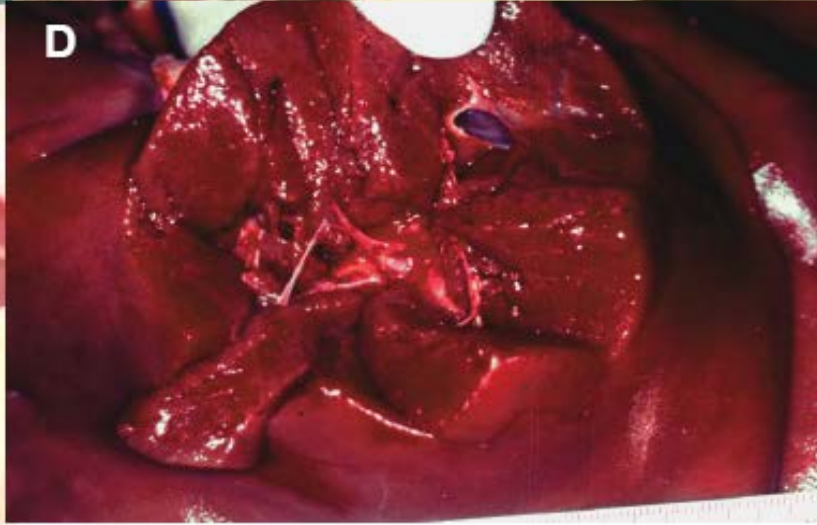
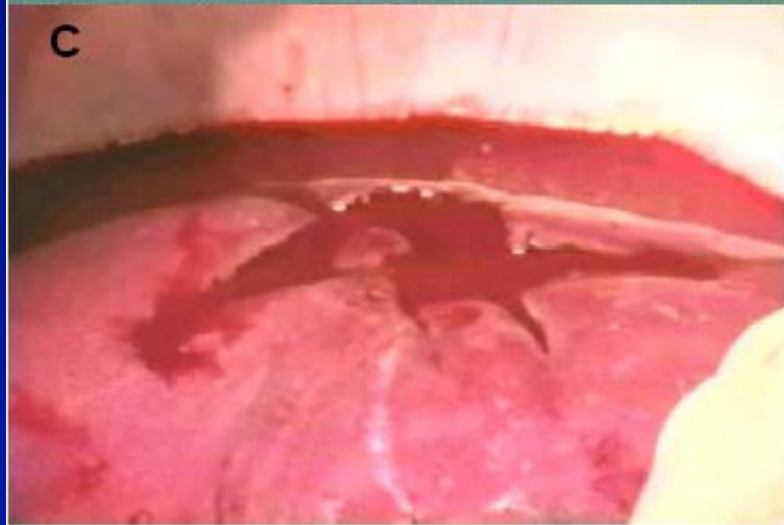
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Surgery 2009

3-D CT image of femur fracture

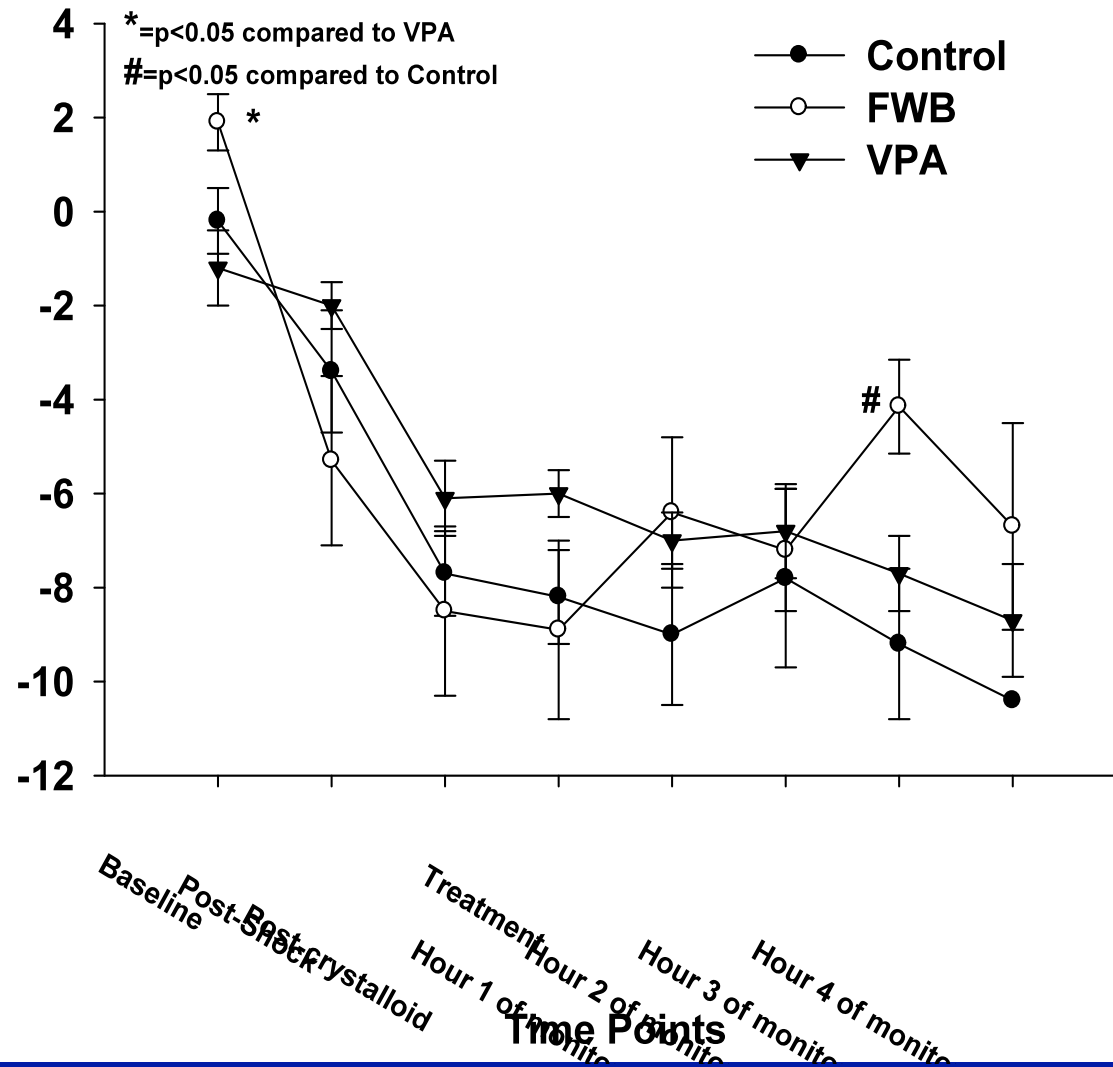


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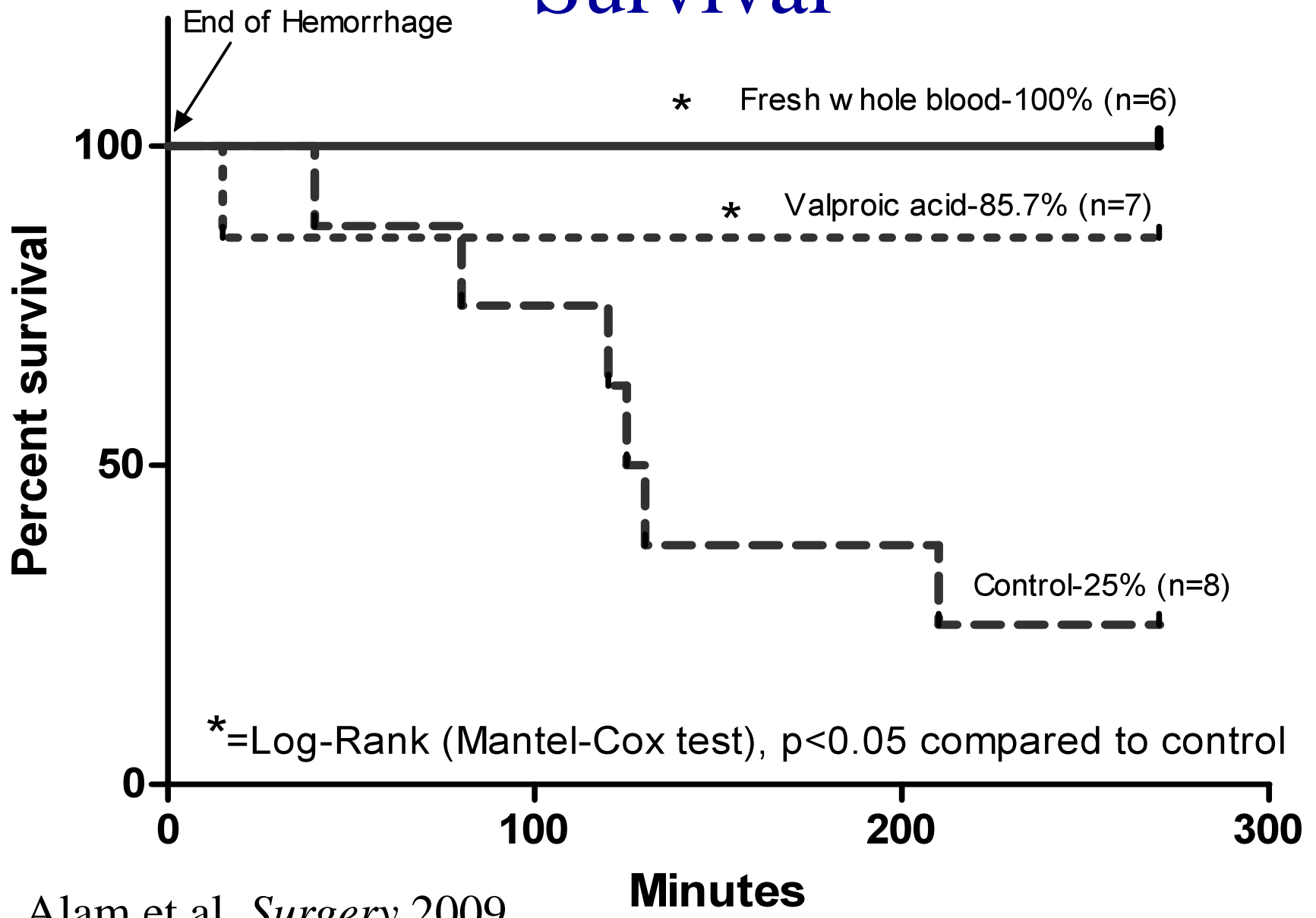


Holcomb JB, et al. Model developed at the US Army ISR, Fort Sam Houston, TX

Base excess



Survival

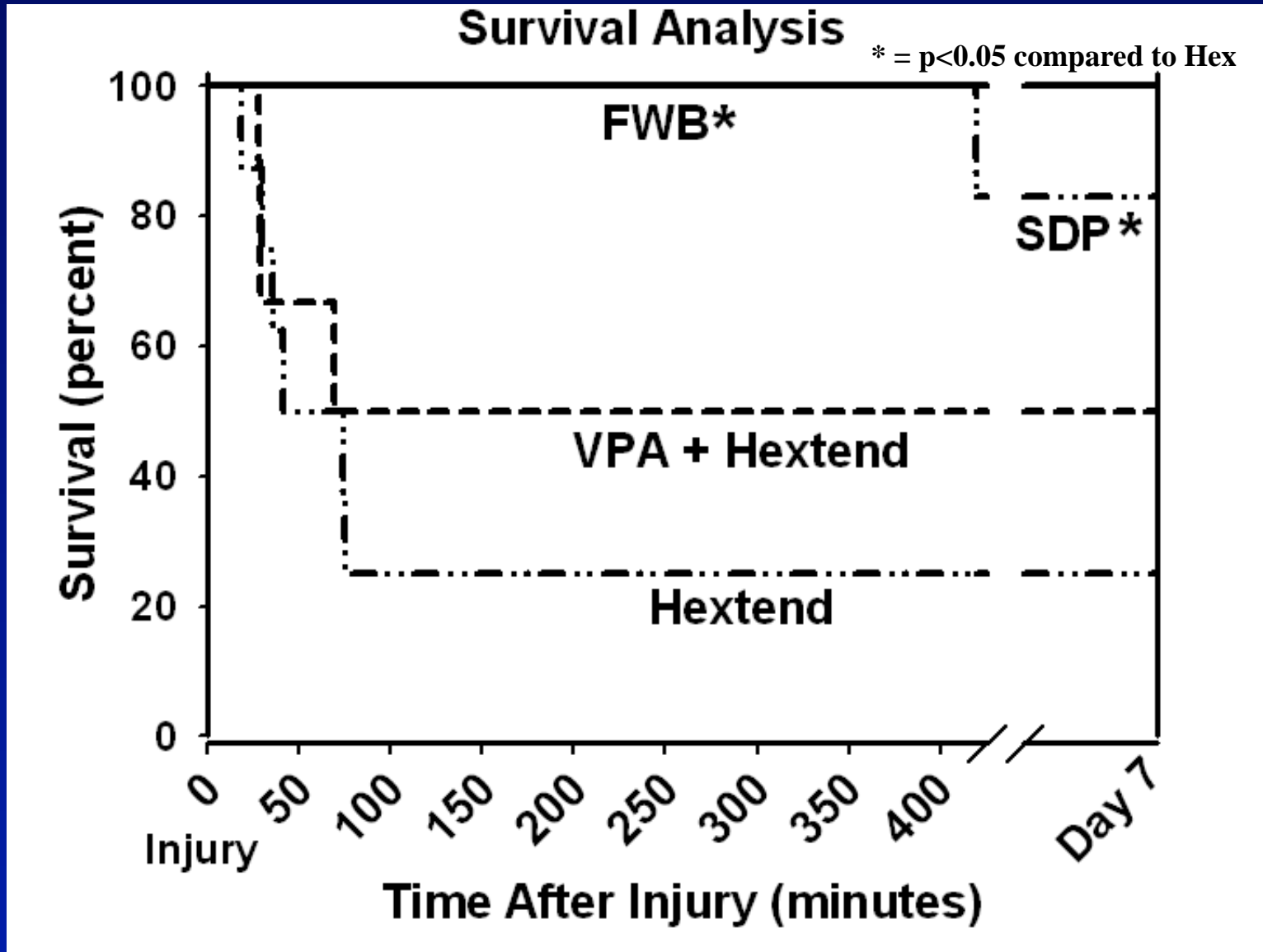


Hemostatic and Pharmacologic Resuscitation: Results of a Long-Term Survival Study in a Swine PolyTrauma Model

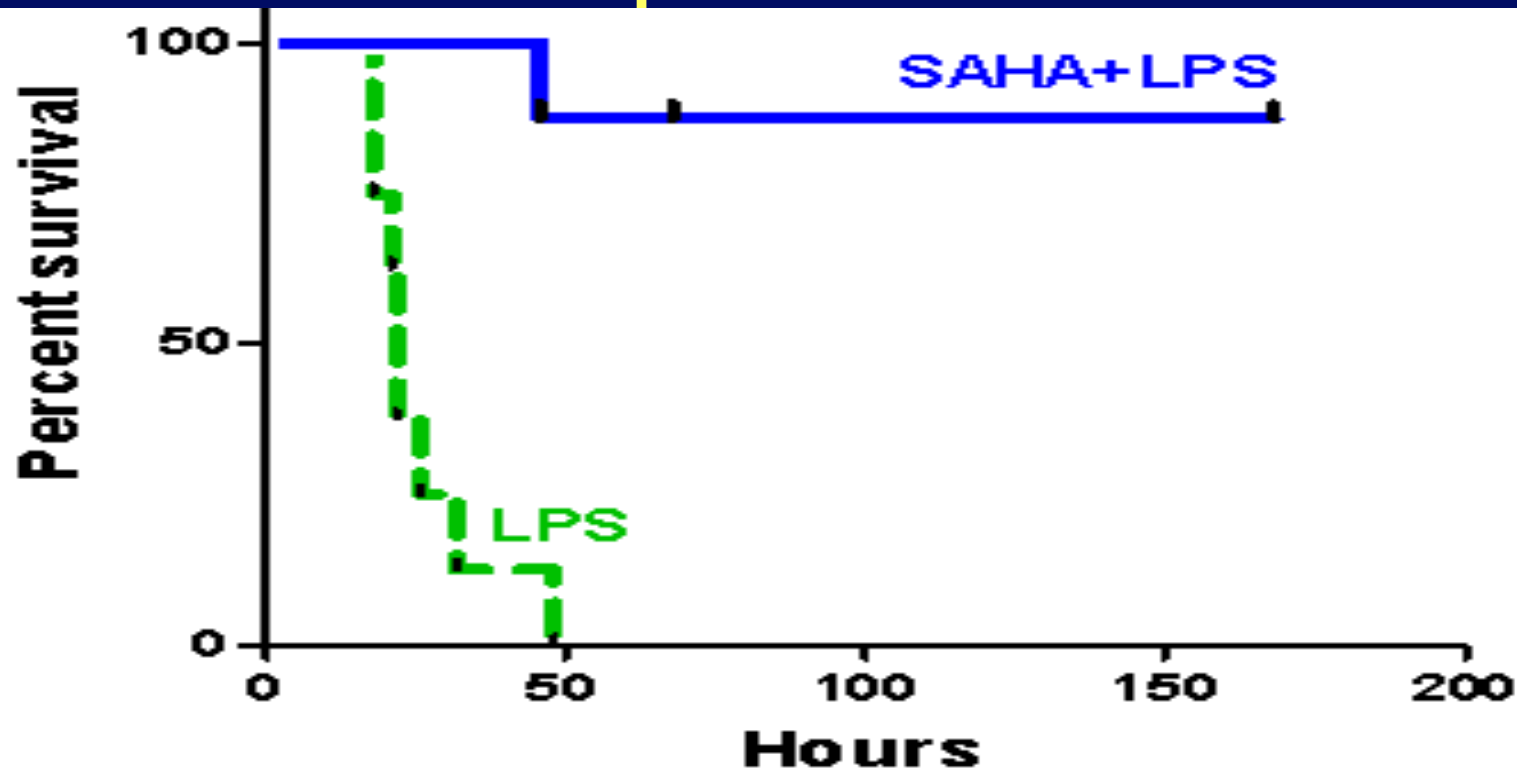
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Survival



Septic Shock



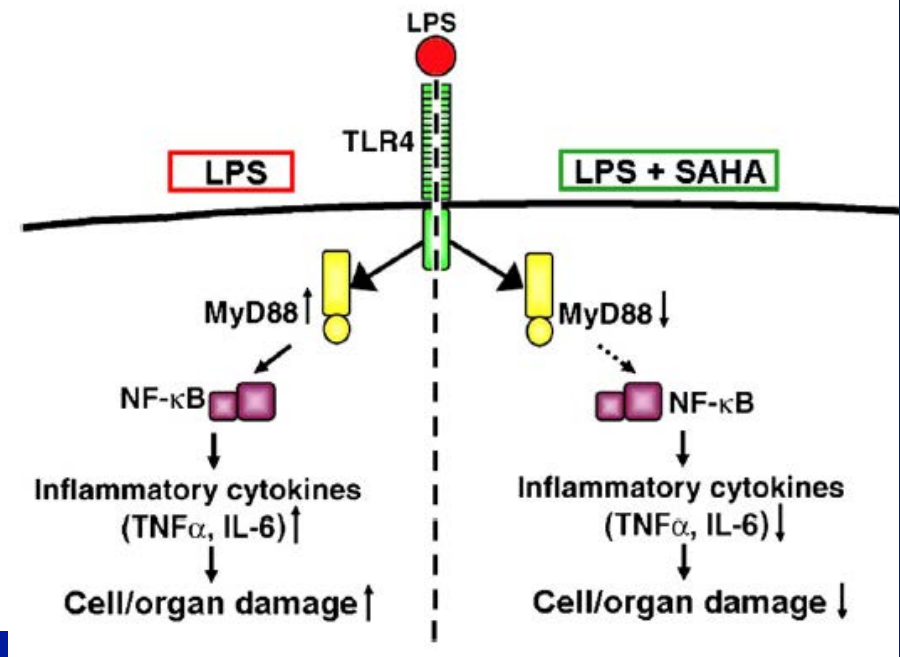
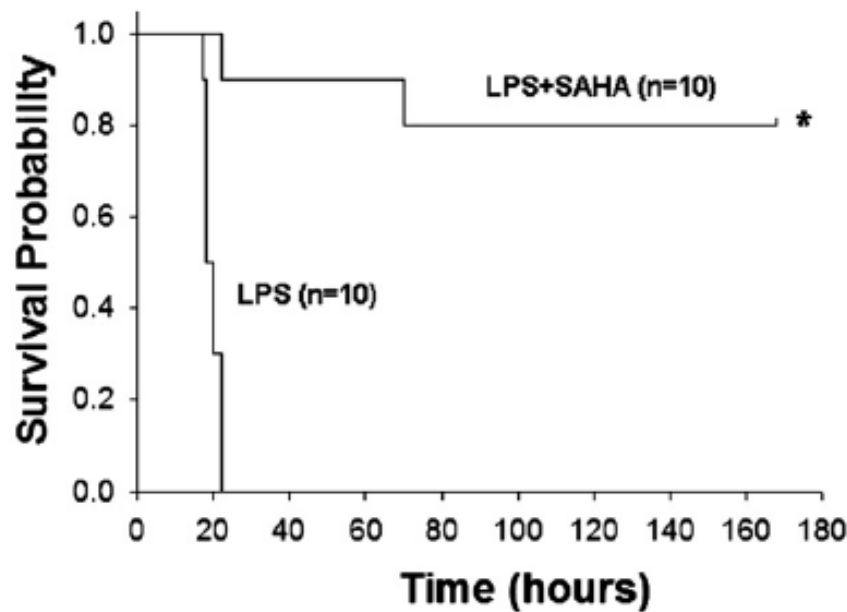
PROTECTIVE EFFECT OF SUBEROYLANILIDE HYDROXAMIC ACID AGAINST LPS-INDUCED SEPTIC SHOCK IN RODENTS

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Tareq Kheirbek,* Robert Finkelstein,* George Velmahos,* Marc deMoya,*
Charles A. Hales,[†] and Hasan B. Alam*

Shock 2009 March [E Pub ahead of print]

Surviving lethal septic shock without fluid resuscitation in a rodent model

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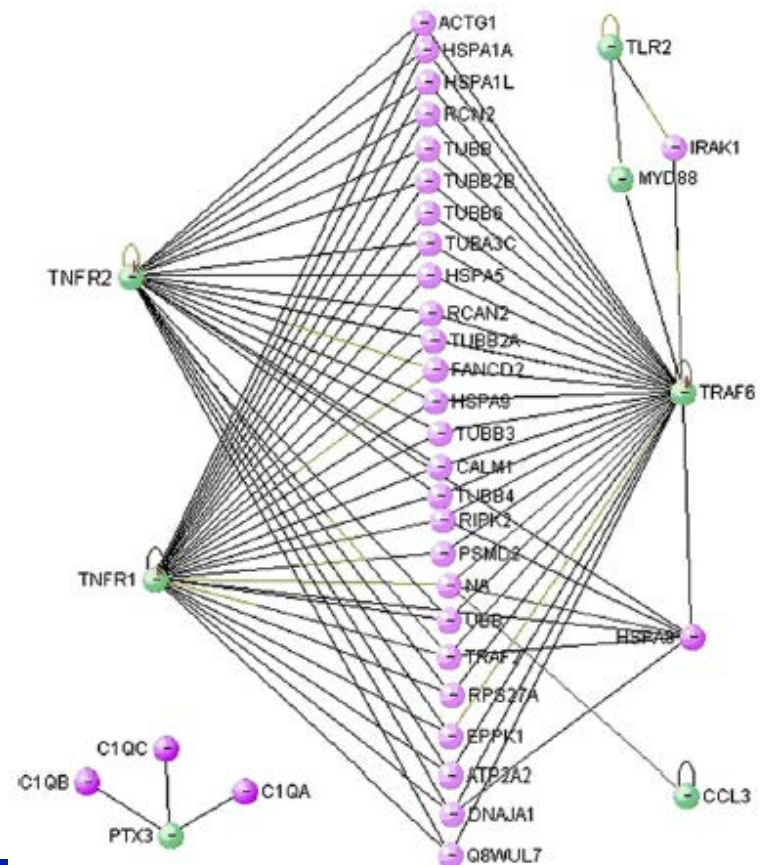
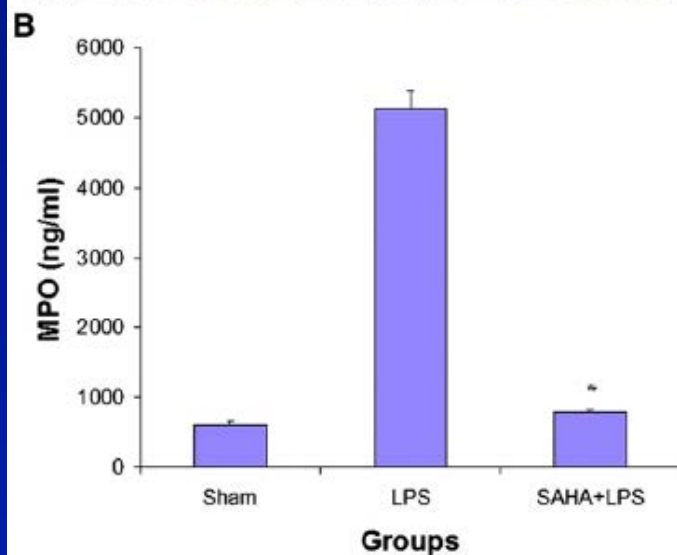
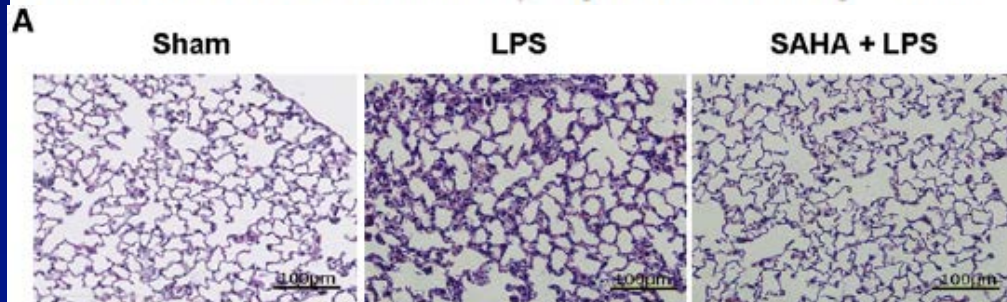


Post-treatment equally effective

Surgery 2010;148:246-54.

Creating a “pro-survival” phenotype through epigenetic modulation

Yongqing Li, MD, PhD,^a Baoling Liu, MD,^a Xuesong Gu, PhD,^b Ashley R. Kochanek, MD,^a Eugene Y. Fukudome, MD,^a Zhengcai Liu, MD, PhD,^{a,c} Ting Zhao, MD,^a Wei Chong, MD, PhD,^{a,d} Yili Zhao,^a Dainan Zhang, PhD,^e Towia A. Libermann, PhD,^b and Hasan B. Alam, MD, FACS,^a *Surgery* 2012;152:455-64.



CLP model

Novel pharmacologic treatment
attenuates septic shock and improves
long-term survival

Surgery
August 2013

Ting Zhao, MD,^a Yongqing Li, MD, PhD,^a Baoling Liu, MD,^{a,b} Zhengcai Liu, MD, PhD,^{a,c}
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Trauma patients

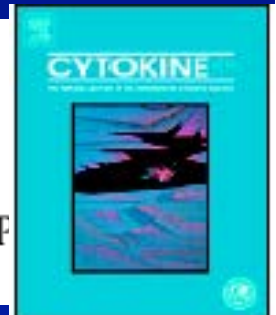
Acetylation: a novel method for modulation of the immune response following trauma/hemorrhage and inflammatory second hit in animals and humans

Elizabeth A. Sailhamer, MD,^a Yongqing Li, MD, PhD,^a Eleanor J. Smith,^a Fahad Shuja, MD,^a Christian Shults, MD,^{a,c} Baoling Liu, MD,^a Chad Soupir, MD,^b Marc deMoya, MD,^a George Velmahos, MD,^a and Hasan B. Alam, MD,^a *Boston, Mass and Washington, DC*

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Hypoxic “second hit” in leukocytes from trauma patients: Modulation of the immune response by histone deacetylase inhibition

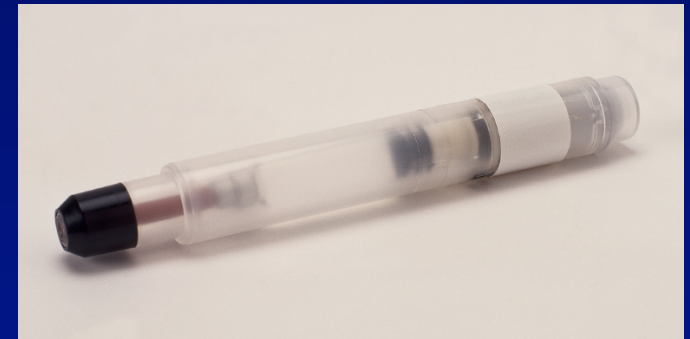
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Cytokine 2010 [Epub ahead of print]

Histone deacetylase Inhibitors

- In models of lethal shock HDACI treatment:
 - Improves survival
 - Prevents apoptosis
 - Reduces organ dysfunction
 - Activates survival pathways
 - Modulates inflammatory response
- Human in-vitro data
- “Resuscitation in a syringe”
- ~\$10 Million new funding- NIH, DoD



FDA approval for clinical trial 2012

Trial record **1 of 2** for: hasan alam

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A Study to Evaluate the Safety and Tolerability of Valproic Acid in Healthy Volunteers or Trauma Patients

This study is currently recruiting participants.

Verified September 2013 by University of Michigan

Sponsor:

Dr. Hasan Alam

Information provided by (Responsible Party):

Dr. Hasan Alam, University of Michigan

ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier:

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▶ Purpose

The purpose of the first part of this study is to determine the safety and tolerability of ascending doses of valproic acid (also known as Depacon) administered as intravenous infusion (IV) in doses ranging from 15 mg/kg to 350 mg/kg in healthy subjects.

“Damage Control” Resuscitation

- Permissive hypotension
- Limited crystalloids
- Early blood products
- Prevention of coagulopathy



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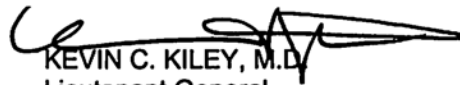
SUBJECT: Optimal Resuscitation of Severely Injured Soldiers

1. Combat resuscitation data analyzed by the US Army Institute of Surgical Research (USAISR) demonstrate that casualties who receive more than 10 units of packed red blood cells (PRBCs) in a 24 hour period (massive transfusion) have a profound survival benefit when the plasma (FFP) to PRBC transfusion ratio is 1:1. Casualties who receive less FFP (1 unit FFP to 4 units PRBCs, or less) have an overall mortality of 65%, while those who receive a 1:1 ratio have an overall mortality of 20% ($p < 0.001$).

2. Severely injured casualties should have the 1:1 ratio initiated as early after injury as possible. Transfusions must be accomplished according to guidelines established by the CENTCOM Blood Program Manager. The current approved CENTCOM Clinical Practice Guideline for Damage Control Resuscitation and Transfusion is posted on the Joint Patient Tracking Application (JPTA) website:
<https://jpta.fhp.osd.mil/PatientInformation/secured/loginIrmc.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fPatientInformation%2fsecured%2fdefault.aspx>.

3. No new equipment is required to implement this change in clinical resuscitation practice. Training is currently incorporated into the Joint Combat Trauma Management Course (US Army Medical Department Center & School (AMEDDC&S)) and posted on the AMEDDC&S website.

4. POC for this memorandum is COL John Holcomb, Trauma Consultant to The Surgeon General and Commander, USAISR, Ft. Sam Houston, TX, at (210) 916-2720, DSN 429-2720, or e-mail john.holcomb@amedd.army.mil.


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Lieutenant General
The Surgeon General



**Plasma and
red cells are
good but...**

New approach

- Freeze dried plasma and platelets
- Combined with hemoglobin based solution, +/- recombinant factors +/- preserved platelets
- Low volume, hypertonic, hyperoncotic

news feature

Nature 2004; 428(6978): 14-5

Just add water

Thanks to a sugar found in yeast, it may be possible to provide 'freeze-dried' blood cells to treat injured soldiers. The technique could also find applications in the cell-biology lab. Geoff Brumfiel reports.

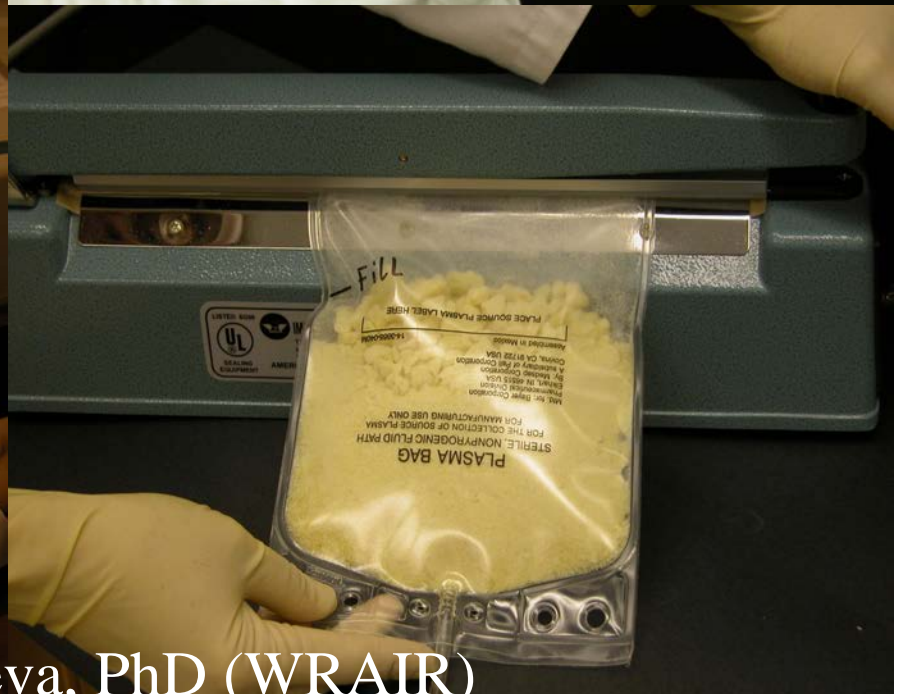


Development and Testing of Freeze-Dried Plasma for the Treatment of Trauma-Associated Coagulopathy

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WTA Squaw Valley 2008





Irina Bakaltcheva, PhD (WRAIR)

Development and Testing of Low-Volume Hyperoncotic, Hyperosmotic Spray-Dried Plasma for the Treatment of Trauma-Associated Coagulopathy

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- Spray dried
- 1/3rd volume
- Just as good as FFP
- Easy to reconstitute



WTA Telluride 2010

Freeze Dried Plasma- Phase I/II Clinical Trials 2010-12
Spray Dried Plasma- Phase I Clinical Trial 2012-13

Traumatic Brain Injury

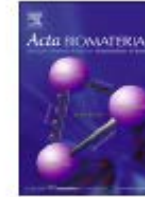
Model development



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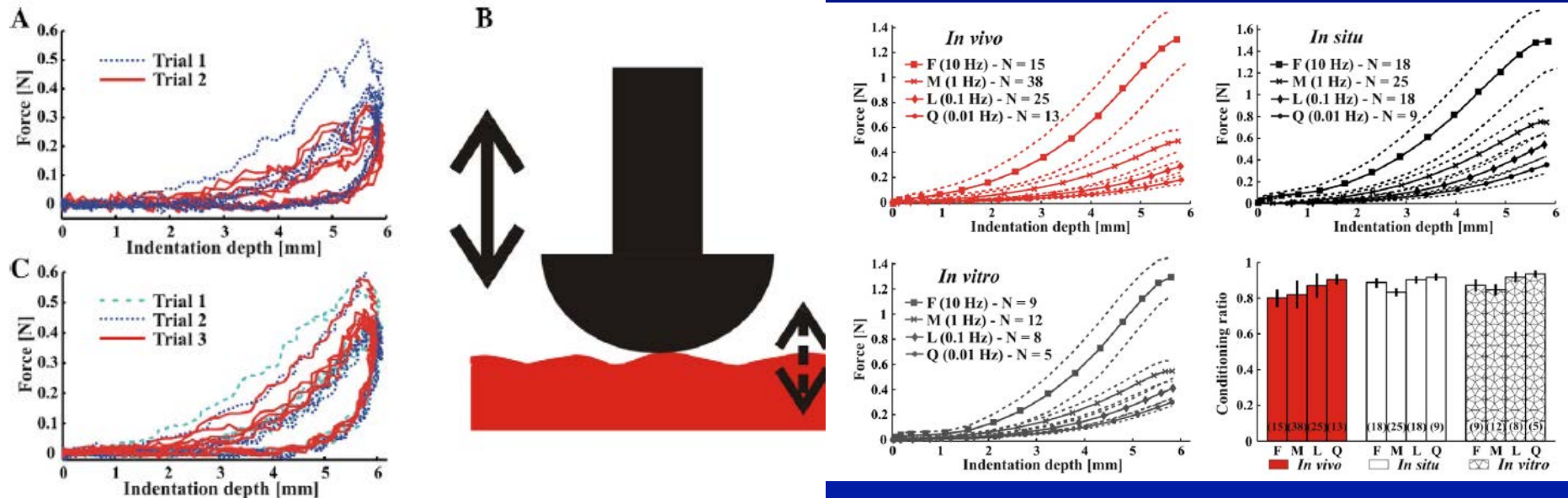
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Dynamic mechanical response of brain tissue in indentation
in vivo, in situ and in vitro

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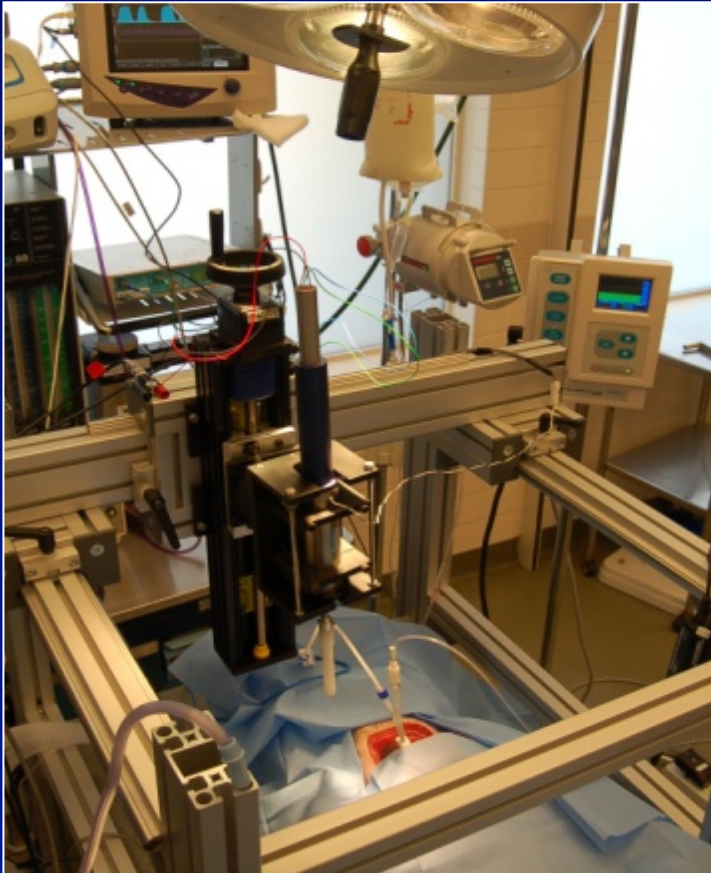
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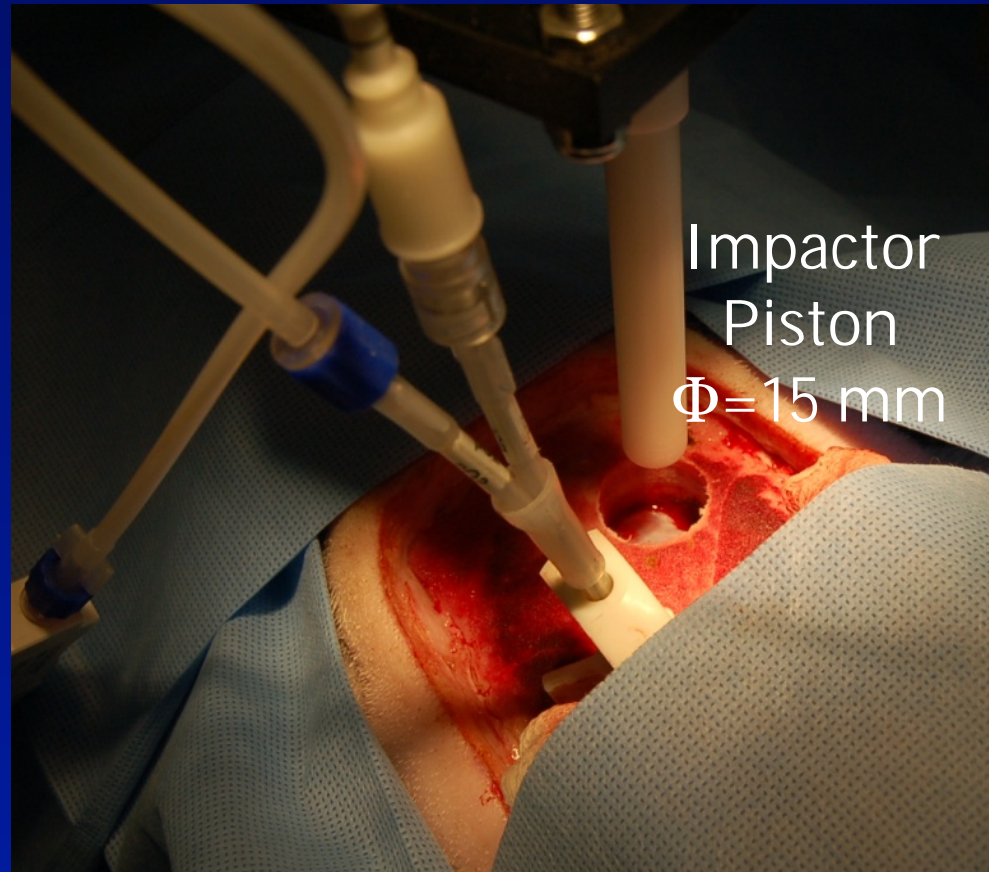
Surgery and physiological monitoring



Controlled cortical impact device

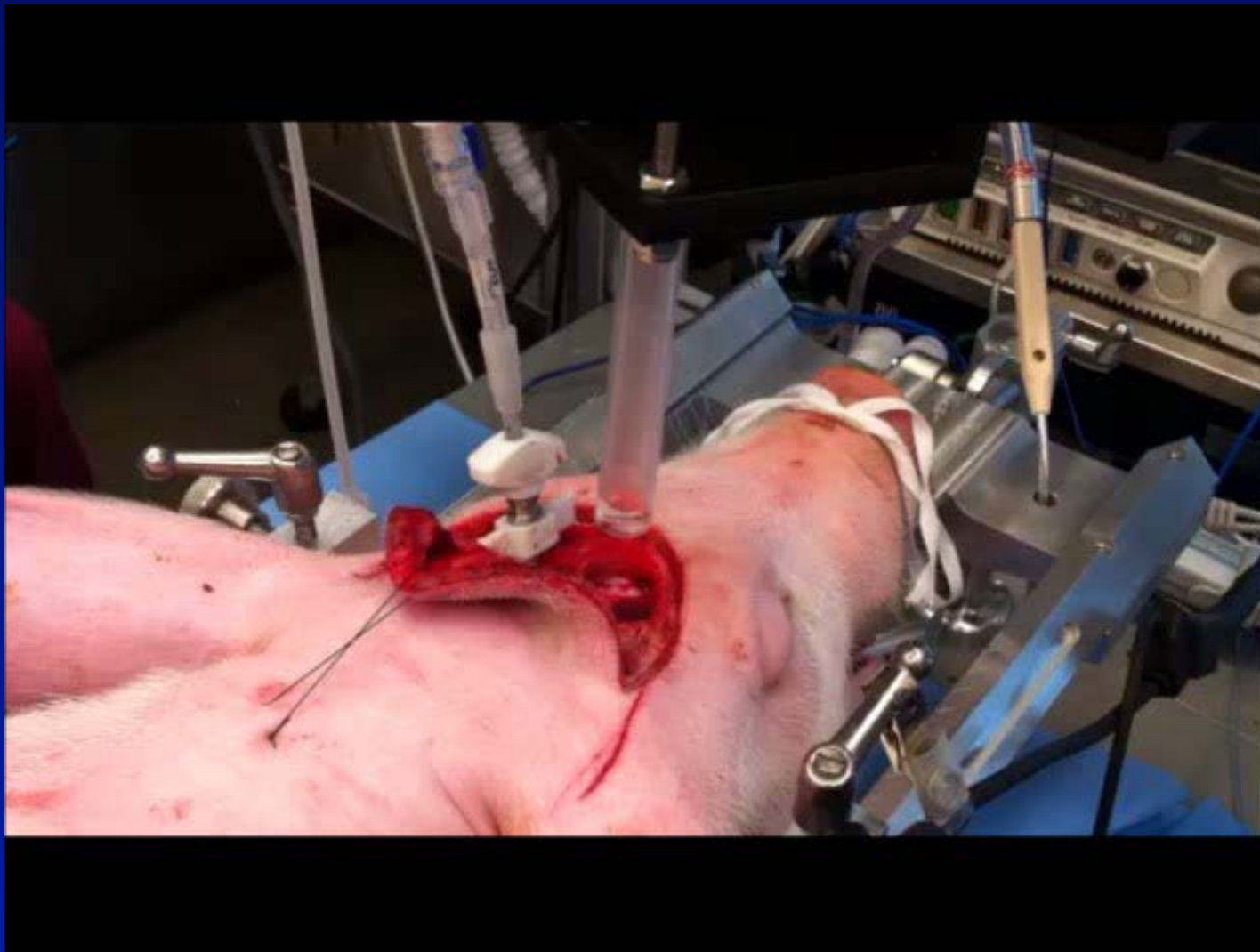


Impactor mounted on an
Adjustable frame

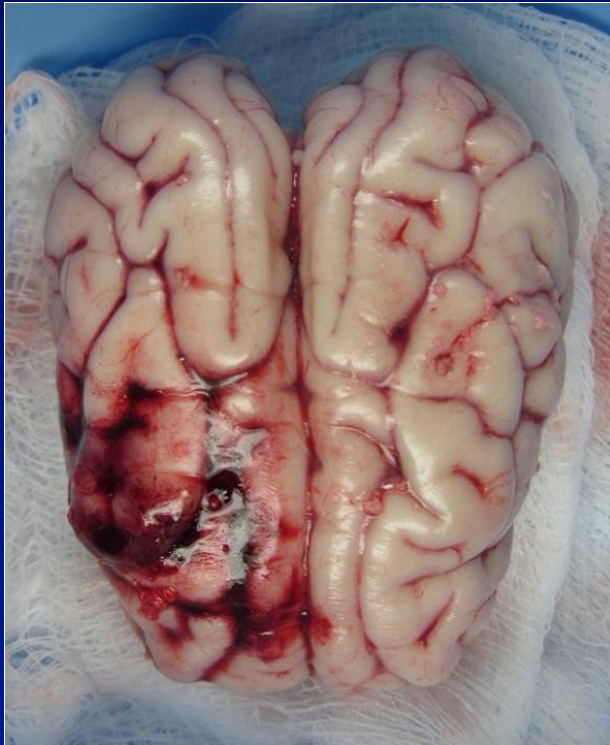


Impactor in position before firing

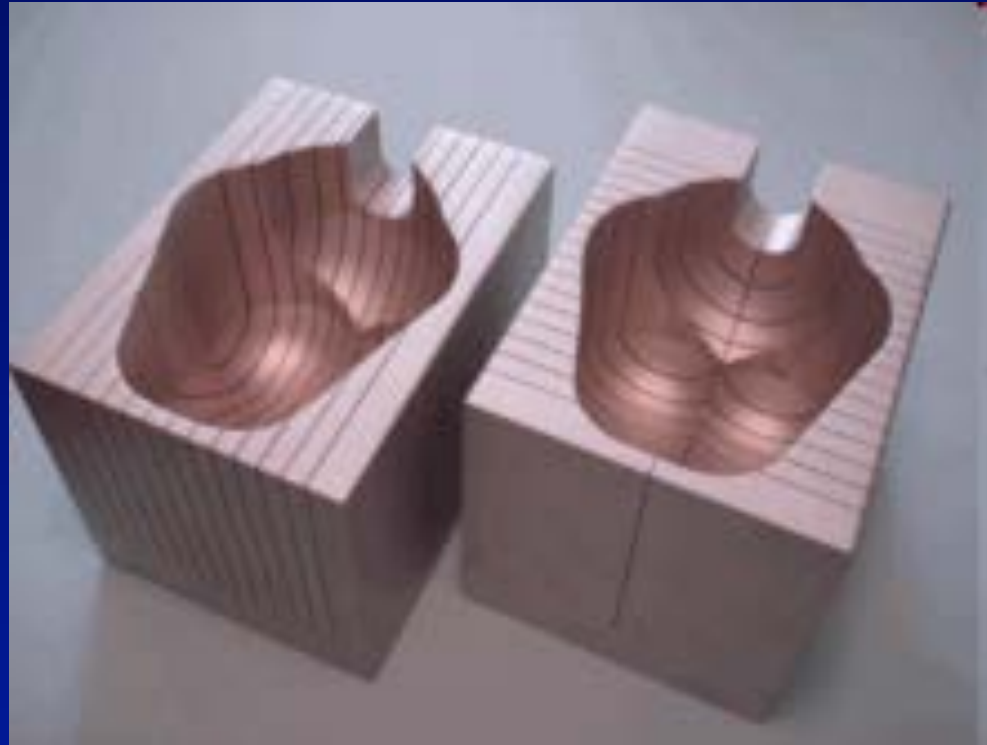
Creating the CCI



Brain coronal sections



Brain post-CCI

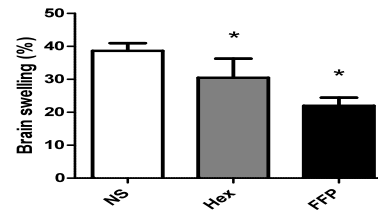
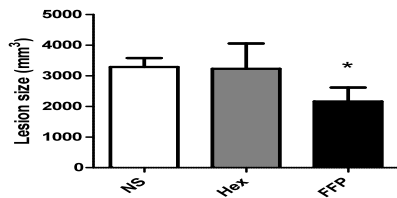
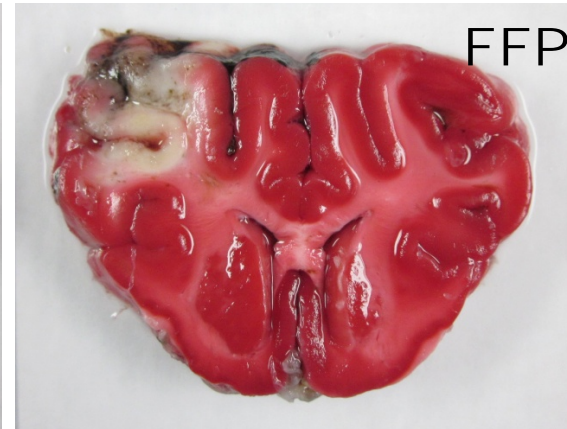
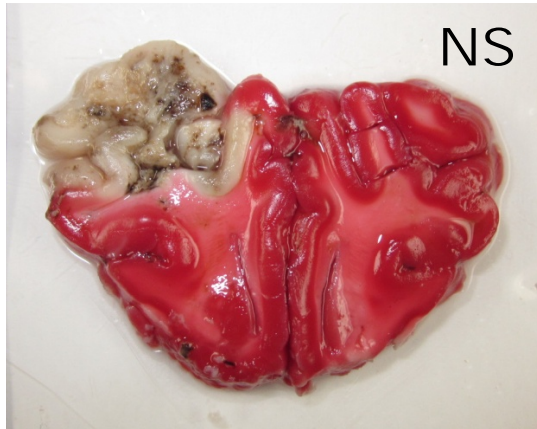


Brain slicer, 5 mm thickness

Brain swelling = [(ipsilateral hemisphere's volume/contralateral hemisphere's volume)-1]×100 (Takano et al. Stroke 28:1255-62).

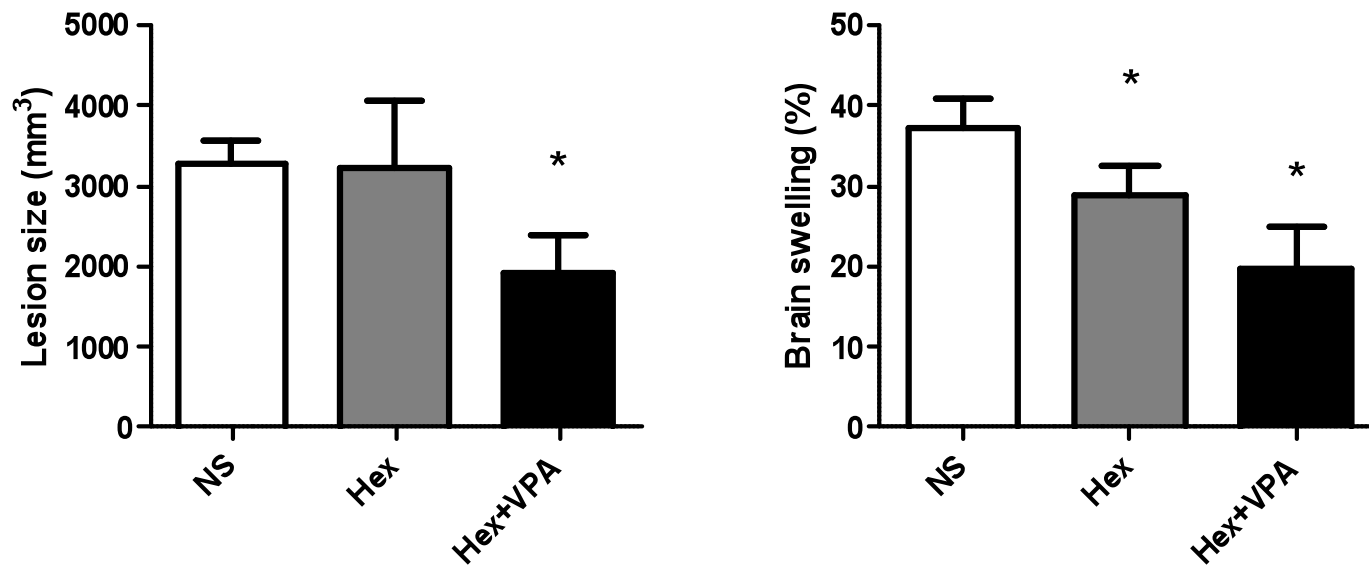
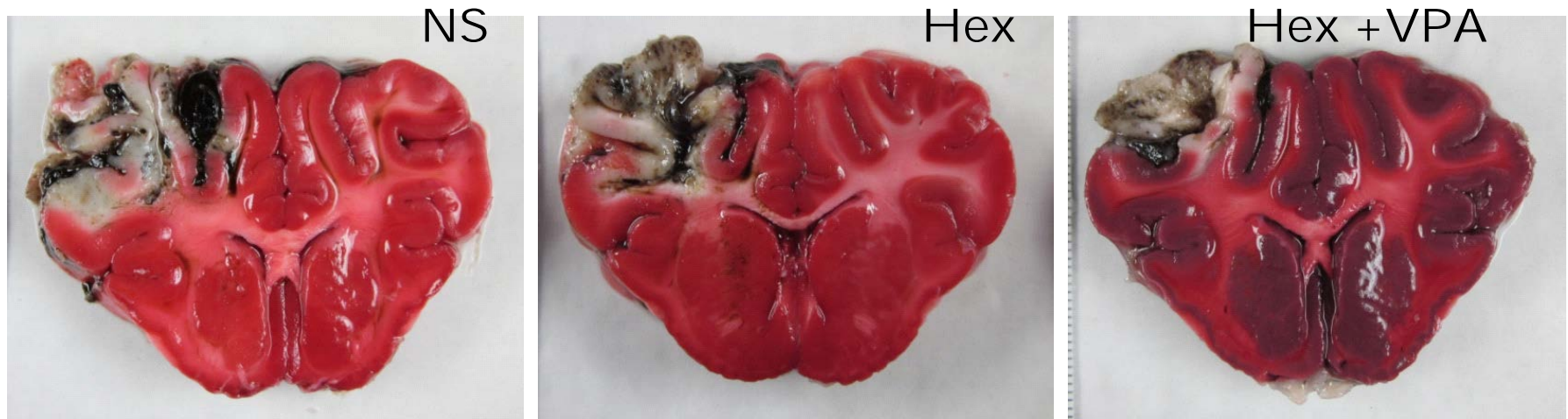
Infarction sizes corrected by the swelling factor (Jin et al, Translational Stroke Research 2010, 1:65-70).

FFP decreases lesion size and brain swelling



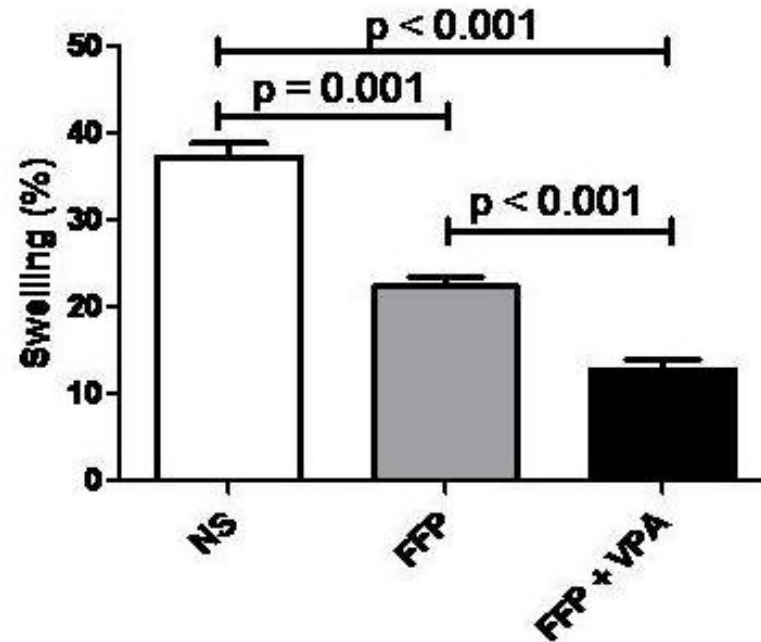
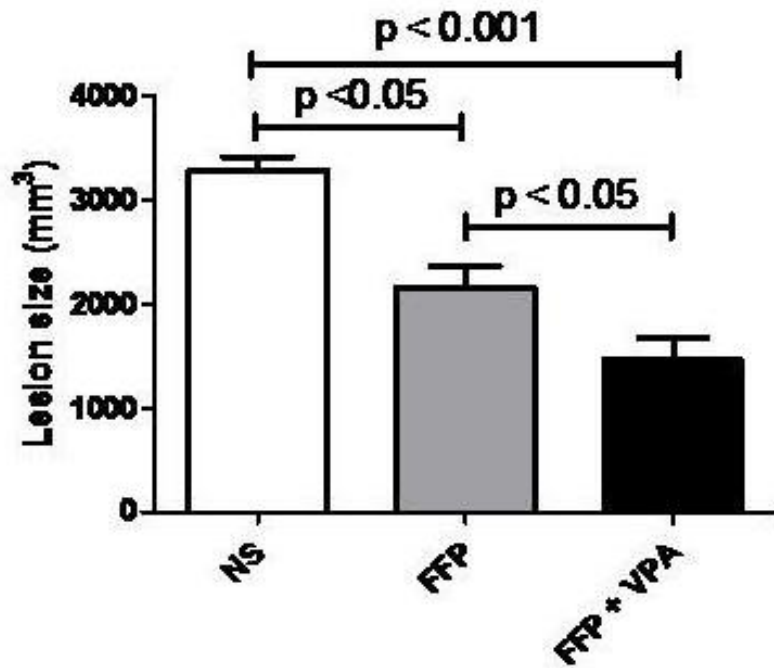
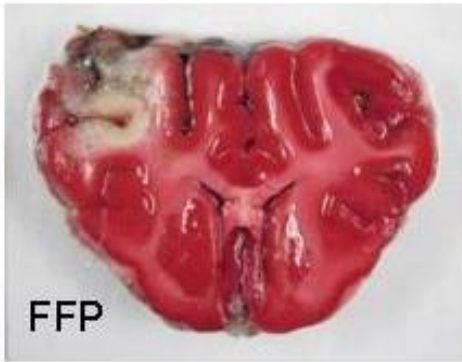
Jin et al. SHOCK 2012

Valproic acid is even more effective



Jin et al. J Trauma 2012. WTA Vail 2012

Combination is the best



Imam et al. Surgery 2013

Differential effects of fresh frozen plasma and normal saline on secondary brain damage in a large animal model of polytrauma, hemorrhage and traumatic brain injury

John O. Hwabejire, MD, MPH, Ayesha M. Imam, MD, Guang Jin, MD, PhD, Baoling Liu, MD, Yongqing Li, MD, PhD, Martin Sillesen, MD, Cecilie H. Jepsen, MD, Jennifer Lu, BS, Marc A. deMoya, MD, and Hasan B. Alam, MD, Ann Arbor, Michigan

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Early treatment with lyophilized plasma protects the brain in a large animal model of combined traumatic brain injury and hemorrhagic shock

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Platelet activation and dysfunction in a large-animal model of traumatic brain injury and hemorrhage

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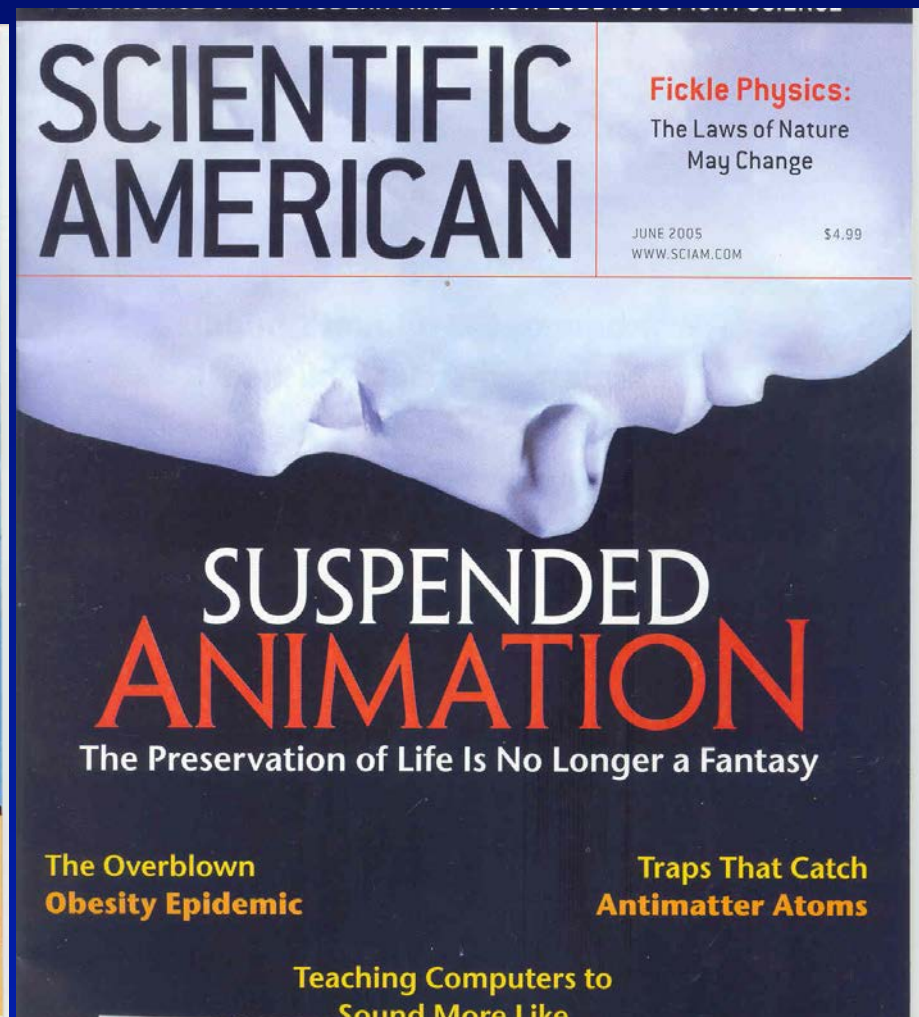
Massive blood loss and no pulse

Emergency Department
Thoracotomy





The ultimate resuscitation strategy



Putting Life On Hold—For How Long? Profound Hypothermic Cardiopulmonary Bypass in a Swine Model of Complex Vascular Injuries

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J Trauma. 2008;64:912–922.

Profound hypothermia is superior to ultraprofound hypothermia in improving survival in a swine model of lethal injuries

Surgery
August 2006

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Profound Hypothermia Protects Neurons and Astrocytes, and Preserves Cognitive Functions in a Swine Model of Lethal Hemorrhage¹

Hasan B. Alam, M.D.,*§^{1,2} Zhang Chen, M.D., Ph.D.,* Naresh Ahuja, M.D., M.P.H.,*¶ Huazhen Chen, M.D.,* Richard Conran, M.D.,† Eduardo C. Ayuste, M.D.,* Kevin Toruno, B.S.,* Nanna Ariaban, B.S.,* Peter Rhee, M.D.,*‡ Amal Nadel, M.S.,* and Elena Koustova, Ph.D.*

Journal of Surgical Research 126, 172–181 (2005)

Profound Hypothermic Cardiopulmonary Bypass Facilitates Survival Without a High Complication Rate in a Swine Model of Complex Vascular, Splenic, and Colon Injuries J Am Coll Surg 2007;204:642–653.

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Role of hypothermia in hemorrhagic shock

Journal of Organ Dysfunction, 2008; 4: 151–160

FAHAD SHUJA, JOSÉ PEDRO ALMEIDA and HASAN B. ALAM

Cognitive function testing

Alam et al, Surgery 132:278-288, 2002

- Operant conditioning
- Recognize and open color coded box
- Number of sessions, time to finish task, performance score



Emergency Preservation and Resuscitation

- Rate of induction – Fast (2°C/minute)
Alam et al. J Trauma 2004
- Optimal Depth – Profound (10°C)
Alam et al. Surgery 2006
- Rate of re-warming – (0.5°C/minute)
Alam et al. J Trauma 2006
- Duration – short (60 minutes)
Alam et al. J Trauma 2008
- Poly-trauma – feasible without complications
Sailhamer et al. JACS 2007

Profound Hypothermia Decreases Cardiac Apoptosis Through Akt Survival Pathway

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Alterations in Gene Expression After Induction of Profound Hypothermia for the Treatment of Lethal Hemorrhage

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Hypothermia and hemostasis in severe trauma: A new crossroads workshop report

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Guidelines for future research

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Emergency Preservation and Resuscitation (EPR) for Cardiac Arrest From Trauma (EPR-CAT)

This study is not yet open for participant recruitment.

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Goals of early trauma care

- Keep alive
- Minimize organ injury
- Decrease bleeding

- Keep alive
- Preserve key organs
- ABC's

- Fix injuries
- Resuscitate
- Support organs

Pre-hospital

ED

OR/SICU

Pro-survival drugs

Freeze dried plasma

EPR

The difficulty lies, not in the new
ideas,

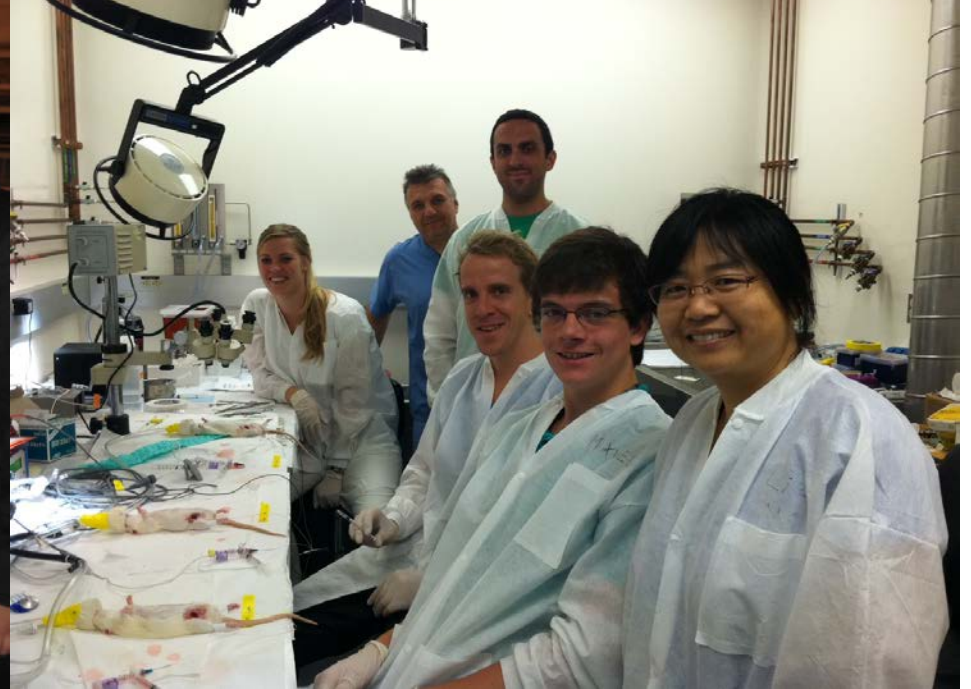
but in escaping from the old
ones..

John Maynard Keynes (1883-1946)

Key points

- Identify need- area of investigation
- Think big
- Mentors
- Collaborators
- Mentees
- Scheduled writing
- Marry the right person

Families



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