

Assessment Points

System	Effect	Assessment by Hx	PE	Test
RESP	Inadequate	Noticeable SOB	Respiratory rate high	ABG
MS	Weakness	Exercise, fatigue	Limb tone Hypoactive muscle stretch reflexes	HyperPP: Ictal serum K ⁺ level (elevated in approximately 50%) EMG myotonia (in approximately 75%) HypoPP: Low ictal serum K ⁺ level Exclusion of secondary causes (TSH, fT4, fT3 levels) Glucose/insulin or ACTH infusion induces paralysis attack Plasma biochemistry after attack: elevated myoglobin, creatine kinase Muscle fiber conduction velocity may be slower than normal No EMG myotonia

Key References: Suetterlin K, Männikkö R, Hanna MG: Muscle channelopathies: recent advances in genetics, pathophysiology and therapy, *Curr Opin Neurol* 27(5):583–590, 2014; Bandschapp O, laizzo PA: Pathophysiologic and anesthetic considerations for patients with myotonia congenita or periodic paralyses, *Paediatr Anaesth* 23(9):824–833, 2013.

Perioperative Implications

Preoperative Preparation

- HyperPP: carbohydrate loading during fasting period; consider 24-h furosemide for K⁺ depletion
- HypoPP: avoid large glucose and salt loads; 24-h acetazolamide if not already given; only glucose-free solutions IV; if Hx of frequent instability, prepare infusion with K⁺; reduce pt's anxiety

Monitoring

- Both types: Temperature (esophageal) (keep warm); ECG (detection of dyskalemia); NM monitoring mandatory (minimize relaxant dose)

Airway

- Both types: no special difficulty, but may need support

Preinduction/Induction

- Both types: Regional techniques are appropriate; relaxation with short-acting nondepolarizing agents as indicated.
- HyperPP: Avoid ketamine; no succinylcholine (severe myotonia, hyperkalemia with resulting postop muscle weakness over days).

Maintenance

- Both types: Use warming blankets and keep normothermic; warm all IV fluid.
- HyperPP: Use glucose 5% as maintenance, avoid hypoglycemia; do not give K⁺-containing solutions, maintain normokalemia (use glucose/insulin if needed).
- HypoPP: Use MH trigger-free anesthetic methods; glucose-free solutions as maintenance, avoid hyperglycemia; give solutions containing K⁺, aim for K⁺ 4–5 mEq/L; ventilation during anesthesia should be normocarbic to avoid K⁺ shifts.

Extubation

- HyperPP: Evidence of muscle weakness should be treated with IV calcium gluconate or chloride 10% 10 mL slowly over 5 min; anticholinesterase drugs may worsen/trigger myotonic symptoms.
- HypoPP: Evidence of muscle weakness should be treated with IV potassium chloride; normal reversal as indicated clinically; maintenance by IPPV if evidence of weakness in postop phase; severe postop weakness may be aggravated by Ca²⁺.

Adjuvants

- Both types: Anticipate usual analgesic requirements for age and surgery; regional techniques are appropriate.
- HyperPP: Some experimental evidence suggests that condition (e.g., postop weakness) may be helped by phenytoin or by salbutamol.
- HypoPP: Ca²⁺-channel blockers do not appear to be contraindicated in pts with concomitant CV disease.

Anticipated Problems/Concerns

- Both types: Cold triggers attack.
- HyperPP: Succinylcholine may not give relaxation, and therefore intubation may be difficult; severe myotonia may create resp difficulty; hypoglycemia and K⁺ can trigger hyperkalemic attack; hyperkalemia can cause cardiac arrhythmia.
- HypoPP: May have associated supraventricular or conduction defect arrhythmias; resp muscle weakness may occur postop; must maintain serum K⁺ above 4.0 mEq/L.

Fanconi Syndrome

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Risk

- FS can be inherited, acquired, or caused by exogenous factors.
- Incidence is sporadic. Exact incidence in USA is not clear.
- Most diseases associated with FS are inherited in an autosomal recessive pattern.
- Cystinosis is the most common cause in pediatric pts.

Perioperative Risks

- Potential for hypotension secondary to hypovolemia
- Renal failure, proximal renal tubular dysfunction
- Lyte imbalance (especially hypokalemia causing tachyarrhythmias)

Worry About

- Polyuria, polydipsia, and the resulting dehydration
- Type 2 renal tubular acidosis (defect in the reabsorption of bicarbonate in the proximal tubule)
- Hypokalemia-induced ventricular arrhythmogenicity
- Hypophosphatemia and associated osteomalacia and loss of bone density
- Hypokalemia may cause muscular weakness
- May be part of a genetic syndrome, such as Lowe syndrome (oculocerebrorenal syndrome)

Overview

- Disease of the proximal convoluted tubules in which glucose, amino acids, uric acid, phosphate,

and bicarbonate are passed into urine, not being reabsorbed.

- Signs and symptoms reflect the tubular abnormality, including polyuria, polydipsia, and acidosis due to bicarbonate loss.
- Pts are very likely to have renal failure at the time of surgery.
- Muscle weakness due to hypokalemia.
- Renal phosphate wasting presents as osteomalacia or rickets.
- Most pts have proteinuria, although it is often minimal.
- Severe photophobia might be present with cystinosis (cystinosis is the most common cause of inherited form of FS).
- FS is different from Fanconi anemia characterized by progressive pancytopenia.

Etiology

- May be hereditary or acquired.
- Common hereditary causes are cystinosis (most common cause in children), Wilson disease, Lowe syndrome, galactosemia, glycogen storage diseases, and hereditary fructose intolerance mitochondrial cytopathies.
- Can be acquired via exposure to heavy metals (lead) and medications such as tetracycline (particularly when outdated), cisplatin, tenofovir, adefovir, rifampin, deferasirox, and aminoglycoside antibiotics.
- Dysproteinemias, such as multiple myeloma, amyloidosis, light-chain nephropathy, and benign monoclonal gammopathy may cause FS in adults.

Usual Treatment

- Mainstay of treatment is replenishment of lytes and fluids lost in urine.
- Metabolic acidosis due to bicarbonate loss is corrected by the administration of HCO₃⁻, (usually 3–10 mg/kg/d of sodium bicarbonate in divided doses).
- Addition of a thiazide diuretic (1–3 mg/kg per d) of hydrochlorothiazide may be necessary to avoid volume expansion, which amplifies the excretion of bicarbonate by lowering the renal threshold (also need K⁺ supplementation to account for extra K⁺ lost in the urine with the use of TZD diuretic).
- For preventing bone disease, phosphate and vitamin D supplementation are necessary in addition to correction of metabolic acidosis.
- Losses of glucose and amino acids are not usually symptomatic and do not require treatment.
- Kidney transplantation in pts with renal failure due to cystinosis.
- Liver transplantation in case of Wilson disease.

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CV	Arrhythmogenicity due to electrolyte disturbances, hypovolemia	Assess for clinically symptomatic bradycardia, heart block, CHF	Auscultation of heart sounds, ECG	Continuous ECG monitoring
RENAL	Metabolic acidosis, polyuria, K^+ , Mg^{2+} , Ca^{+2} , PO_3^- loss in urine	Assess GFR and residual renal function.	Assess for dehydration	ABG, UA, BMP
CNS	Lyte imbalance, hypoglycemia may cause confusion/disorientation and/or seizures; rarely muscle weakness	Evaluate pt compliance	Lung sounds: rales, edema of extremities	Neurologic assessment

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Perioperative Implications

Preoperative Concerns

- Existence of any other coexisting genetic/metabolic disorder should be ruled out by thorough Hx, physical exam, and special test(s).
- Preop ABGs, ECG.
- Preop electrolytes level (K^+ , Mg^{2+} , Ca^{+2} , PO_3^-) and glucose in the morning of surgery.
- Correction of electrolyte imbalances (K^+ , Mg^{2+} , Ca^{+2} , PO_3^-).

- Metabolic acidosis corrected by administering $NaHCO_3^-$ preop to maintain plasma bicarbonate levels at about 20 mEq/L.

Induction/Maintenance

- During laryngoscopy, special attentions to avoid overextension and pt positioning to prevent injury to the rickety bones
- Closely monitoring acid-base and fluid-electrolytes imbalance during the surgery
- Monitoring volume status by UO and CVP

Postoperative Period

- Postop labs of urine analysis, serum lytes, calcium, phosphorous, glucose, BUN, creatinine, albumin, and hematologic profile are used to guide postop care
- ECG monitoring in PACU (hypokalemia)

Anticipated Problems/Concerns

- Lyte imbalances warrant monitoring and correction periop
- Potential hypovolemia
- Other coexisting metabolic/genetic disorder(s)

Fat Embolism

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Risk

- Long bone fractures and pelvic fractures:
 - 80–100% fat embolism
 - Less than 1–30% FES
- Male-female ratio: 4:1
- Adult greatly increased over pediatric
- Multiple fractures >single fractures
- Pathologic fractures >traumatic fractures
- Total hip, total knee replacement, intramedullary nailing:
 - 27–100% fat embolism
 - Unknown incidence FES
- Unusual causes: Liposuction, fat injection, bone marrow harvest and/or transplantation, vertebroplasty, cardiopulmonary bypass, CPR, burns, pancreatitis, sickle cell disease, osteomyelitis, fatty liver, soft tissue injury

Perioperative Risks

- FES: <10% mortality
- Preexisting FES: Respiratory failure/ ARDS, RV dysfunction, shock, coagulopathy, neurologic dysfunction
- Intraop fat embolism: Shock, hypoxemia

Worry About

- Preexisting FES: Hypoxemia, reduced pulm compliance, pulm Htn, RV failure, hypotension, cardiac arrest, coagulopathy
- Intraop embolism: Hypotension, RV failure, hypoxemia, paradoxical embolization, stroke, neurologic dysfunction (delirium to coma, postop)

Overview

- Fat particles (globules of marrow fat) traveling into blood and lung.
- Must distinguish fat embolism, from FES (triad of hypoxemia, petechiae, and neurologic abnormalities). Fat embolism is more common than FES.
- FES can produce mild pulm dysfunction to severe ARDS.
- Pulm Htn and acute RV failure may occur in severe cases of FES.
- Typically the onset of signs and symptoms of FES happen 12–72 h following injury.
- Fat embolism occurs commonly during femoral reaming and cementing in hip arthroplasty.
- FES is confounded with cement reaction during arthroplasty.

Etiology

- Most frequently follows orthopedic trauma with release of marrow fat into venous circulation
- Pathology produced by mechanical obstruction by intravascular fat passing into the pulm and systemic arterial circulation and by production of endogenous inflammatory mediators

Usual Treatment

- Early fracture fixation to decrease embolization.
- Use of noncemented prosthesis or venting of femoral shaft may reduce embolization during hip arthroplasty.
- Unreamed nailing for fracture fixation to reduce embolization.
- O_2 therapy to maintain $SpO_2 > 90\%$.
- Low tidal volume ventilation strategy with PEEP as for ARDS.
- Aggressive hemodynamic support with fluid and/or inotropes for shock and/or RV failure.
- Factor replacement for coagulopathy with bleeding.
- Corticosteroids, heparin, ethanol, dextran, aspirin, and prophylactic vena caval filter are of unproven benefit.