



Red Blood Cell Disorders Committee

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MEETING October 26, 2017

7:00 PM

Partners present:

Laurence Dedeken, Phu-Quoc Lê, Olivier Ketelslegers, Marie-Françoise Dresse, , Pierre Philippet, Anne-Sophie Adam, Alina Ferster, Marie-Agnès Azerad, Philippe Maes, Lucie Pecheux, Ann Van Damme, Annelyse Bruwier, Cécile Boulanger, Veerle Labarque , Béatrice Gulbis

Guest: François Eyskens

Report:

- Updated recommendations: « Management of sickle cell disease » – Bram De Wilde

Discussion – suggestions :

Evaluation of transcutaneous saturation every 4-6h or continuously if respiratory symptoms or back pain

Fever : must be defined

> 38°C if < 2 y

> 38.5°C if < 4 y

> 39°C any age

AB : amoxicillin, always keep at hospital ; oral if very young children and depend on vein access ; not if clinically probably a viral infection ; otherwise all patients should be considered at high risk (see also no information available, no personal history or rapid degradation.

Splenic sequestration : no antibiotics

Liver sequestration : antibiotics (see origin not always known)

Pain : Be sure that for PCA the anesthetist doesn't give only a bolus

Add MEOPA (20') before morphine could be instaurated

Auto and hetero evaluation are mandatory for a good evaluation of pain.

Be aware that in patients who experience a lot of pain episode, auto evaluation might be unreliable.

Hydratation : if drinking is possible, the better option ; if not, the survey of fluid balance is mandatory

Transfusion : No if simple VOC ; Ok for other events stated in the slides + priapism

Exchange ++ mandatory if Hb level >9 g/dl, in case of CNS event or acute priapism.

Anemia and recognition of palor if black skin : palm of the hands ,soles of the feet, evaluation by the parents)

If Hb < 6 and Transfusion within the two last weeks : check for delayed hemolytic reaction.

ACS no transfusion if without any severe state (defined as PaO₂ > 70 mmHg at ambient air)

CVA : keep the patient in your ward (not stroke clinic!!) ; HbS < 30%



Follow-up outside the hospital : work with « GP » paediatricians ; patient dependent, not easy to define.

- **Clinical case**

- 5 y.o. HbS β° (Syria)

- Hb \pm 9.5 g/dL

- Transcranial doppler velocity very high 260-280 m/sec. It decreased without being on HU.

Such high velocities unlikely as relatively high Hb level. Check if velocities expressed as peak systolic velocities or TAMX. If abnormal TAMX \rightarrow Treatment proposed : go to exchange transfusion at least 12 – 18 mois before bridge to HU alone (if velocities TAMX < 170 cm/ sec).

- **Annual meeting on SCD – Lucie Pecheux**

- The preliminary programme is presented and discussed

- Date of the meeting : 22/02/2017 – Location : CHU Saint Pierre Auditorium Bastenie

- **Follow-up of EuroBloodNet - Béatrice Gulbis** (see annex 2)

- **Follow-up of the registry - Alice Ferster/ Sarah Wambacq** (see Annex 3)

- **Gaucher disease – protocol for screening – François Eyskens**

- Proposal : to participate in a study on patients with splenomegaly with or without thrombopenia and without a diagnosis.

- **« Emergency passport » – Novartis** (see annex 4)

- Opinion of the group :

- Useful if people move from one hospital to another, to inform medical staff that perform the "triage".
 - To be given at the front desk (triage) but a link to a website that give access to the recommendations for care should be added on the passport
 - Add warning: "Don't overtransfuse"
 - Add that "No delay before taking the patient in charge"

- In Antwerpen they will soon provide to the patient a USB stick containing all the information needed.

- Partners suggest to develop an "App" for the patients.

Next meeting Thursday January 25, 2018.