

Mortality and morbidity

Patient care in hip fracture

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Patient profile

> Name: 許O輝

> Age: 88

Gender: Male

Past medical history :

- ✓ Gastric cancer status post nearly total gastrectomy for more than 20 years
- Right thoracic wall tumor status post tumor excision
- Beta Thalassemia
- > Chief complaint: Right hip painful disability after falling down on 2020/01/19



01/19 Sent to ER, right femoral intertrochanteric fracture diagnosed HB: 7.7 g/dL. → pRBC 2U transfusion





01/19 Admitted for operation

OP method: ORIF with Synthes PFNA II

Operative Findings:

1. Right femoral intertrochanteric fracture, unstable type

2. Synthes PFNA II nail: 10 x 240 mm, 130 deg. Blade screw:80mm;

Distal screw: 34 mm

Blood loss: 300 c.c

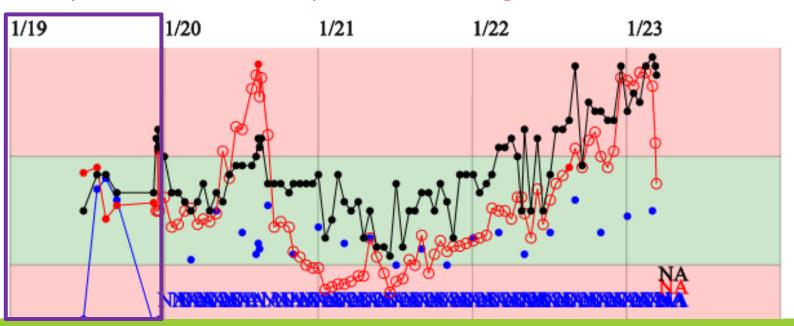
OP duration: 20:25- 21:47 (86 mins)



01/19 Transferred to surgical intensive care unit(ICU) for post-operation care, due to unstable blood pressure noticed intra-operatively.

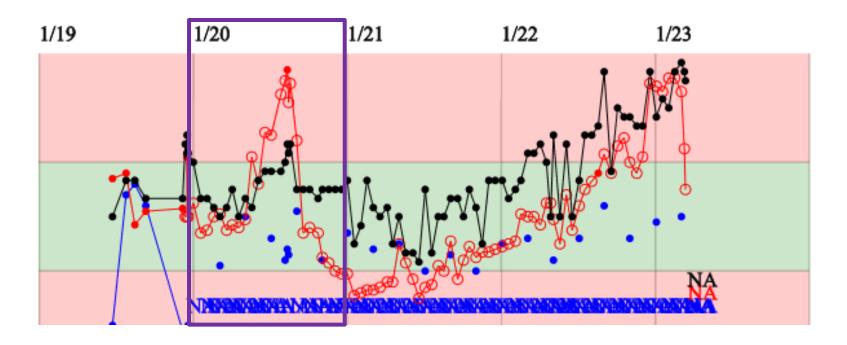
Hb: $6.3 \text{ g/dL} \rightarrow 9.5 \text{g/dL}$

Levophed 5 mL/hr to keep SBP > 90mmHg





01/20 Sudden onset AfRVR without chest pain/tightness Troponin-T: 59.28ng/L



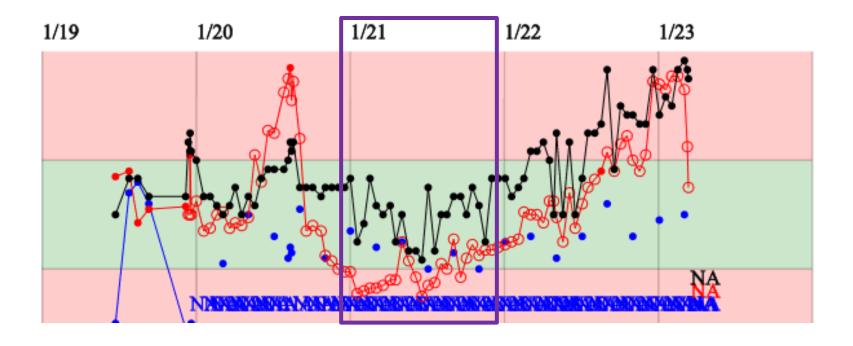


01/20 Consult CV man:

- #. Paroxysmal atrial fibrillation
- #. Hypotension, hypovolemia related, r/o sepsis related
- #. Cachexia
- 1. Give amiodarone infusion then change to amiodarone 100mg po bid.
- 2. NOAC for stroke prevention for atrial fibrillation
- 3. Keep cefazolin first. Complete septic workup
- 4. NG feeding with daily calories about 800-100K/cal per day.
- 5. Follow up Na/K/Ca/M/P, be aware of refeeding syndrome for such a cachexia patient
- 6. Gentle hydration and feeding gradually to keep CVC level 8-12 mmHg.
- 7. Titrate levophed to keep MAP > 65 mmHg.



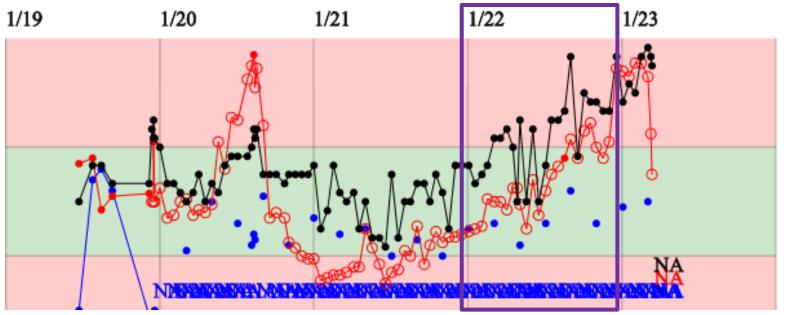
01/21 Off levophed pump





01/22 Fever and shortness of breath with increasing O2 demand (90% under non-rebreathing) Lab: WBC 8.37 (Seg: 92.5%); CRP: 23.2 mg/dL; Procalcitonin 8.04 ng/mL;

Lactic acid: 7.2mmol/L





01/22 CXR: increasing infiltration and opacity over LLL

→ Pneumonia with impending respiratory failure and septic shock

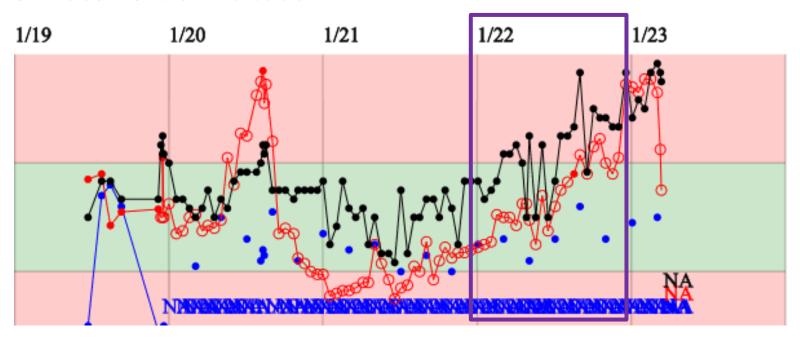




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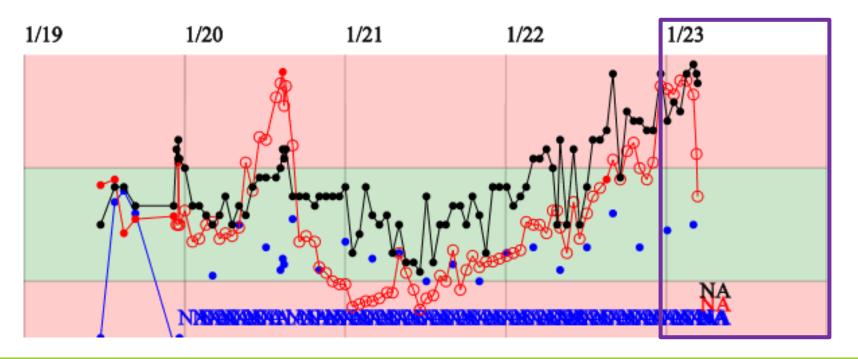
- 01/22. 1. Chest care and prn suction
 - 2. Upgrade antibiotic to Tazocin 3000mg Q6H
 - 3. Placement of NG tube





01/23. Arterial gas:

PH: 6.705/CO2: 100.3/HCO3⁻:12.3 → Decompensated respiratory acidosis DNR 除藥 signed → Brought back home with inotropic agents





科室:LQ No:200122070153 BLOOD Arterial line 採檢:2020/01/22 14:38 登入:2020/01/22 15:42 最後報告:2020/01/27 15:54 電子病歴

檢驗項目	檢驗值	單位	参考值	說明	特別醫囑
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科室:LQ No:200122068611 BLOOD CVP 採檢:2020/01/22 14:38 登入:2020/01/22 15:42 最後報告:2020/01/27 15:54 電子病歷

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ID+DS Blood.#1	No growth after 5 days	*			

科室:LB No:200122068618 RANDOM URINE Catheterized urine 採檢:2020/01/22 18:17 登入:2020/01/23 08:08 最後報告:2020/01/26 10:17 電子病歴

檢驗項目	檢驗值	單位	参考值	說明	特別醫囑
ID+DS Urine #1	No aerobic pathogen	/mL			

科室:LB No:200123077811 SPUTUM (SUCTION) 採檢:2020/01/23 02:25 登入:2020/01/23 08:08 最後報告:2020/01/24 09:38 電子病歴

檢驗項目	檢驗值	單位	参考值	說明	特別醫囑
ID+DS Sputum Culture #1	Mixed flora	*			是否白血球低下:否
Gram's(G1)#1	Many PMNs (>25 /LPF)	*			是否白血球低下:否
Gram's(G1)#2	Many epithelial cells (>25 /LPF)	*			是否白血球低下:否
Gram's(G1)#3	檢體品質不良建議重新送檢	*			是否白血球低下:否

科室:LB No:200120097747 RANDOM URINE Catheterized urine 採檢:2020/01/20 00:44 登入:2020/01/20 08:10 最後報告:2020/01/22 09:33 電子病歴

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Case Summary

- ✓ 88-year-old male with right intertrochanteric fracture, status post ORIF
- Respiratory failure complicated with septic shock developed 2-3 days post-operatively, most probable due to LLL pneumoniae



Discussion

- 1. Mortality in hip fracture --- Risk assessment
- 2. Nasogastric tube --- Dose it prevent aspiration?



Original Research Article



Causes of in-hospital mortality after hip fractures in the elderly

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Methods: This was a multi-institutional retrospective study identifying 2464 consecutive patients >65 years of age who were treated for a hip fracture from 2000 to 2016 at 2 institutions. Revision surgeries were excluded. An electronic query followed by manual chart review was performed to collect patient demographics, Charlson comorbidity index (CCI), type of anaesthesia, and cause of death.



Table 3. Causes of death as recorded on death certifiacte or determined at autopsy.

Cause of death	Presumed cause of death (%)
Respiratory Failure	26 (1.1)
Cardiac Failure	13 (0.5)
Multiorgan Failure	6 (0.2)
Septic Shock	6 (0.2)
Pulmonary Embolism	5 (0.2)
End Stage Renal Disease	5 (0.2)
Others	14 (0.6)
Total	75/2464 (3.0%)



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BMI (kg/m2)	24.6 (15.2 -4 9.6)	24.9 (15.1 –4 3.1)	0.781
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Table 1.	Charlson Co	morbidity	Index	Scoring	S	ystem
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Score	Condition
1	Myocardial infarction (history, not ECG changes only)
	Congestive heart failure
	Peripheral vascular disease (includes aortic aneurysm ≥6 cm)
	Cerebrovascular disease: CVA with mild or no residua or TIA
	Dementia
	Chronic pulmonary disease
	Connective tissue disease
	Peptic ulcer disease
	Mild liver disease (without portal hypertension, includes chronic hepatitis)
	Diabetes without end-organ damage (excludes diet-controlled alone)
2	Hemiplegia
100	Moderate or severe renal disease
	Diabetes with end-organ damage (retinopathy, neuropathy, nephropathy, or brittle diabetes)
	Tumor without metastases (exclude if >5 y from diagnosis)
	Leukemia (acute or chronic)
	Lymphoma
3 6	Moderate or severe liver disease
6	Metastatic solid tumor
	AIDS (not just HIV positive)

NOTE. For each decade > 40 years of age, a score of 1 is added to the above score.

Abbreviations: ECG, electrocardiogram; CVA, cerebrovascular accident; TIA, transient ischemic attack; AIDS, acquired immunodeficiency syndrome; HIV, human immunodeficiency virus.



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	Total number of patients	Number of patients who died (%)	p value*
Gender			
Male	761	29 (3.8)	0.165
Female	1703	46 (2.7)	
Anaesthesia			
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Conclusion

This multicentre study demonstrates that hip fracture patients are at relatively high risk of in-hospital mortality; respiratory failure was found to be the leading cause. The study highlights the importance of close monitoring of the respiratory status of patients with a hip fracture, and thus the need for preoperative medical optimisation from a respiratory standpoint as well as a lower threshold to have hospitalist co-management postoperatively. Strategies such as minimisation of opioid use, oxygen supplementation, early mobilisation, and aggressive pulmonary therapy may impact the incidence of early death for patients with hip fractures.



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Development and validation of the Brabant Hip Fracture Score for 30-day and I-year mortality

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Variable	Value	Score	Total NHFS	Predicted 30-day mortality (%)
Δ α α	66 95 2200	3	0	0.9
Age	66–85 years		U	0.9
	≥86 years	4		
Sex	Male	1	1	1.5
Admission Hb	$\leq 10 \text{ g dl}^{-1}$	1	2	2.4
MMTS	≤6 out of 10	1	3	3.8
Living in an institution	Yes	1	4	6.2
Number of co-morbidities	≥2	1	5	9.8
Malignancy	Yes	1	6	15
			7	23
			8	33
			9	47
			10	57

Nottingham Hip Fracture Score (NHF

Predicted 30-day mortality is calculated by substituting the total NHFS into the equation: $100/(1 + \exp(4,718 - (NHFS/2)))$ 30-day mortality (%). MMTS, Mini-mental test score.



Material and methods: A cohort study was conducted in 2 hospitals on operatively treated patients of 65 years and older with a hip fracture. Manual backward multivariable logistic regression was used to select independent predictors of 30-day and 1-year mortality. Internal validation was performed using bootstrapping techniques. Model performance was assessed with: (1) discrimination via the area under the receiver operating characteristic curve (AUC); (2) explained variance via Nagelkerke's R²; (3) calibration via Hosmer-Lemeshow (H&L) test and calibration plots.



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Gender	Female	-0.566	-0.510	0.57	0.35-0.93	
Living in an institution	Yes	0.928	0.836	2.53	1.58 -4 .06	
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Respiratory disease	Yes	0.531	0.478	1.70	0.93-3.12	
Diabetes	Yes	0.427	0.385	1.53	0.88-2.68	
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Brabant Hip Fracture Score for 30-day mortality (BHFS-30)

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1*age - 13*gender + 22*living in an institution
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- 12*Hb + 13*respiratory disease
- +10*diabetes + 12*malignancy.



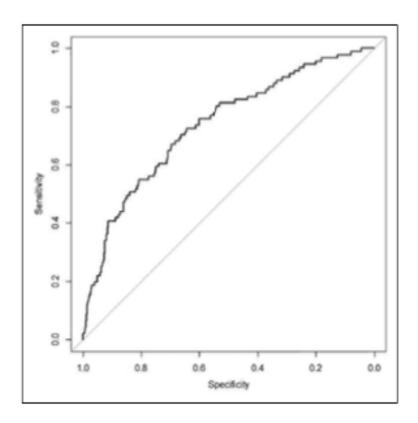
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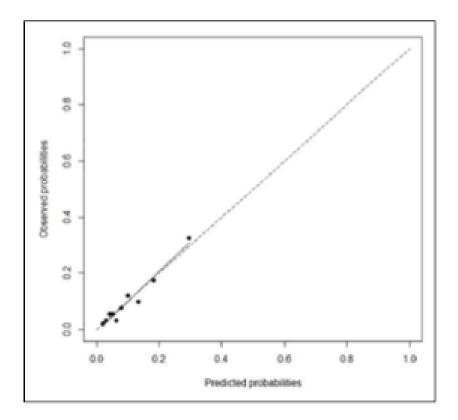
- 82 year
- Male
- Living in a nursing home
- Hb 6.5 g dl-1
- COPD
- Diabetes

Brabant Hip Fr	acture Score	-30	
Variable	Value	Points	
Age		1*82	
Gender	Male	0	_
w	Female	-13	_
Living in an institution	Yes No	22 0	Predicted 30-day mortality = 1/(1+e^(-(-2.037)
Hb	mmol/L	-12*6.5	+(49 x 0.038))) =0.46=46%
COPD	Yes	13	_
	No	0	
Diabetes	Yes	10	
	No	0	
Malignancy	Yes	12	
	No	0	_
Total		49	





AUC of the model was 0.71



Calibration plot



Table 4. Prognostic and predictive values of the BHFS-30 with different cut-offs.

p _t (%)	BHFS-30	TP	TN	FP	FN	Sensitivity	Specificity	Sensitivity + specificity	PPV	NPV
5	-25	82	240	585	9	90.1	29.1	119.2	12.3	96.4
10	-5	64	545	280	27	70.3	66. I	136.4	18.6	95.3
15	7	47	675	150	44	51.7	81.8	133.5	23.9	93.9
20	15	35	753	72	56	38.5	91.3	129.8	32.7	93.1
25	24	18	791	34	73	19.7	95.9	115.6	34.6	91.6



✓ In clinical practice a cutoff of BHFS-30 ≥ 24 could identify frail elderly patients at high risk for early mortality and could support clinicians, patients and families in tailoring treatment for medical decision making.



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Pre-fracture medication use as a predictor of 30-day mortality in hip fracture patients: an analysis of 141,201 patients

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Purpose: To evaluate the <u>predictive value of pre-fracture medication usage on 30-day mortality</u> following a hip fracture.

Methods: Information on age, sex, fracture type, time of death and Charlson co-morbidity index (CCI) was collected from the Danish National Patient Registry on all <u>patients above 60 years</u>, <u>sustaining a hip fracture during the period January 1995 to December 2013.</u> Information on drug usage was obtained from the Danish National Prescription Database. Hazard ratios were calculated with <u>30-day mortality as the outcome</u>. A univariate and 3 multivariate analyses were conducted with increasing adjustments, starting with age, sex and fracture type, adding co-morbidity and dose in the latter.



Table 1. Basic characteristics of the included patients.

	Alive at 30 days	Dead at 30 days	Þ
Number (%)	126226 (89.39)	14975 (10.61)	NA
Male/Female (%)	33085 (26.21)/93141 (73.79)	6183 (41.29)/8792 (58.71)	< 0.0001
Median age (range)	77 (60–105)	83 (60–111)	< 0.0001
Charlson Comorbidity index, n (%)			< 0.0001
0	106062 (75.11)	12660 (84.54)	
I	5491 (4.35)	635 (4.24)	
2	13459 (10.66)	1469 (9.81)	
≥3	1214 (0.96)	211 (1.41)	
Median number of medications (range)	10 (0–16)	13 (0–16)	< 0.0001
Fracture types, n (%):			<0.0001
Femoral neck fracture	75211 (59.58)	8372 (55.93)	
Pertrochanteric femur fracture	43365 (34.36)	5561 (37.14)	
Subtrochanteric fracture	7650 (6.06)	1042 (6.96)	



Medication	n dead	n dead	Univariate analysis		
	medicated	unmedicated	HR [CI 95%]	Þ	
ACE inhibitors, n = 19117	2306	12669	1.18 (1.13-1.23)	< 0.0001	
Antiarrhythmics, $n = 12662$	2269	12706	1.90 (1.82-1.99)	< 0.0001	
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Conclusion (1)

- ✓ Respiratory failure being the leading cause of mortality in patients with hip fractures after the operation.
- ✓ Different scoring systems exist for prediction of 30-day mortality in patients with hip fractures after the operation, including NHFS and BHFS-30, in which age, gender, living in an institution, Hb level, respiratory disease, diabetes and malignancy found to be predictors.
- ✓ Pre-fracture usage of certain drugs provides additional information for mortality in patients with hip fractures



ORIGINAL ARTICLE

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Effect of Nasogastric Tubes on Incidence of Aspiration

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Objective: To determine what effect, if any, a <u>nasogastric (NG)</u> tube has on occurrence of anterograde aspiration during objective evaluation of swallowing using both liquid and puree bolus consistencies.

Design: Prospective, consecutive.

Setting: Large, urban, tertiary care, teaching hospital.

Participants: Referred sample of 1260 consecutively enrolled inpatients. Group 1 (n=630; 346 male, 284 female) had an NG tube and group 2 (n=630; 360 male, 270 female) did not have an NG tube at time of referral for dysphagia evaluation.

Intervention: Fiberoptic endoscopic evaluation of swallowing (FEES).

^{*} Aspiration was defined as entry of material into the airway below the level of vocal folds



Table 1: NG Tube Status and Sex

	NG '	Tube	
Subjects	Yes (%)	No (%)	Total
Male Female	346 (49.0) 284 (51.3)	360 (51.0) 270 (48.7)	706 554
Total	630 (50.0)	630 (50.0)	1260

Table 2: NG Tube Status and Age

	NG Tube		
Decade (y)	Yes (%)	No (%)	Total
0-9	5 (83.3)	1 (16.7)	6
10-19	8 (53.3)	7 (46.7)	15
20-29	19 (57.6)	14 (42.4)	33
30-39	30 (55.6)	24 (44.4)	54
40-49	64 (56.1)	50 (43.9)	114
50-59	109 (60.2)	72 (39.8)	181
60-69	137 (59.3)	94 (40.7)	231
70-79	149 (46.9)	169 (53.1)	318
80-89	93 (36.8)	160 (63.2)	253
90-99	16 (29.6)	38 (70.4)	54
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	Neurosurgery	64 (70.3)	27 (29.7)	91
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	Pulmonary	93 (52.0)	86 (48.0)	179
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	Other	42 (34.4)	80 (65.6)	122
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	Right stroke	40 (41.2)	57 (58.8)	97
	Brainstem stroke	7 (38.9)	11 (61.1)	18
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30-39	30 (55.6)	24 (44.4)	54	
40-49	64 (56.1)	50 (43.9)	114	
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Table 4: Aspiration Status of Liquid and Puree Consistencies
Based on Presence of an NG Tube

	NG '	NG Tube		
Aspiration Status	Yes (%)	No (%)	Total	
Liquid aspiration				
Yes	153 (24.3)	143 (22.7)	296	
No	477 (75.7)	487 (77.3)	964	
Total	630	630	1260	
Puree aspiration				
Yes	91 (14.4)	93 (14.8)	184	
No	539 (85.6)	537 (85.2)	1076	
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Objective. To determine what effect, if any, the presence or absence of a nasogastric (NG) tube in the same person had on the incidence of anterograde aspiration.

Design. Case series with planned data collection.

Setting. Large, urban, tertiary care teaching hospital.

Subjects and Methods. Referred sample of 62 consecutively enrolled adult inpatients for fiber-optic endoscopic evaluation of swallowing (FEES). Group I (n = 21) had either small-bore (n = 13) or large-bore (n = 8) NG tubes already in place and had a FEES first with the NG tube in place and a second FEES after NG tube removal. Group 2 (n = 41) did not have an NG tube and had a FEES first without an NG tube and a second FEES after placement of a small-bore NG tube. Time between FEES was approximately 5 minutes.



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	Diameter of NG Tube			
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Head and neck surgery	5	1	6	
Neurosurgery	5	0	5	
Medical	17	4	21	
Pulmonary	12	0	12	
Cancer	2	2	4	
Left cerebrovascular accident	1	0	- 1	
Right cerebrovascular accident	1	0	- 1	
Parkinson disease	1	0	- 1	
Dementia	0	1	- 1	
Other neurologic	5	0	5	
Total	54	8	62	

Table 2. Participant Age and Gender for Group 1 and Group 2

		Age, y			
	n	Mean	SD	Male	Female
Group I	21	66.3	15.8	14	7
Group 2	41	70.0	12.6	25	16
Total	62	68.2		39	23



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	NG Tube Present ^a	NG Tube Absent ^a
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Nasogastric tube feeding versus assisted hand feeding in-home healthcare older adults with severe dementia in Taiwan: a prognosis comparison



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Background: All individuals with severe dementia should be offered careful hand feeding. However, under certain circumstances, people with severe dementia have a feeding tube placed. In Taiwan, tube feeding rate in demented older home care residents is increasing; however, the benefits of tube feeding in this population remain unknown. We compared the clinical prognosis and mortality of older patients with severe dementia receiving nasogastric tube feeding (NGF) or assisted hand feeding (AHF).

Methods: Data from the in-home healthcare system between January 1 and December 31, 2017 were analyzed to identify 169 participants over 60 years of age in this retrospective longitudinal study. All subjects with severe dementia and complete functional dependence suffered from difficulty in oral intake and required either AHF or NGF. Data were collected from both groups to analyze pneumonia, hospitalization, and mortality rates.



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Table 3 Risk factors of pneumonia, hospitalization and one-year mortality rates with logistic regression

	Pneumonia		Hospi	talization	Mortality		
Factors	aOR	95% CI	aOR	95% CI	aOR	95% CI	
Age	1.01	0.97-1.06	1.00	0.96-1.05	1.05	0.98-1.12	
Sex (male)	1.96	0.97-3.97	1.64	0.74-3.62	0.44	0.13-1.42	
Feeding (NGF)	2.20	0.92-5.30	1.94	0.82-4.60	2.38	0.58–9.70	
Pressure sore	0.20	0.07-0.60	0.20	0.08-0.53	0.45	0.10–1.96	
Barthel index	1.69	0.74-3.85	0.70	0.29-1.70	1.23	0.31-4.82	
Albumin	0.58	0.32-1.03	-	-	-	-	
Hb	-	-	0.63	0.50-0.80	-	-	
Norton scale	-	-	-	-	0.76	0.59-0.98	



Conclusions: For older patients with dementia requiring in-home healthcare, NGF is not associated with a significantly lower risk of pneumonia than AHF. Additionally, neither mortality nor hospitalization rates decreased with NGF. On the contrary, a nonsignificant trend of increased risk of pneumonia was observed in NGF group.



Conclusion (2)

- ✓ The presence of an NG tube did not affect incidence of aspiration for either liquid or puree food consistencies.
- ✓ On the other hand, a nonsignificant trend of increased risk of pneumonia was observed in patients with nasogastric tube feeding.



Back to our patient

- \checkmark BHFS-30 = 1*88-12*7.7+12 = 7.6
- ✓ Predicted 30-day mortality = 1/(1+e^(-(-2.037+(7.6 x 0.038)))) = 14.8 %
- **✓** Other risk factors: PPI use; intertrochanteric fracture
- ✓ LLL pneumoniae: may or may not be aspiration
- ✓ Early NG placement: questionable



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- ✓ Increase pre-op Hb level
- ✓ Adjust antibiotics for better anaerobic coverage



Take Home Message

- ✓ Respiratory failure being the leading cause of mortality in patients with hip fractures after the operation.
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