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**Indicações e controle da
ventilação mecânica por
traqueostomia no
paciente crónico**



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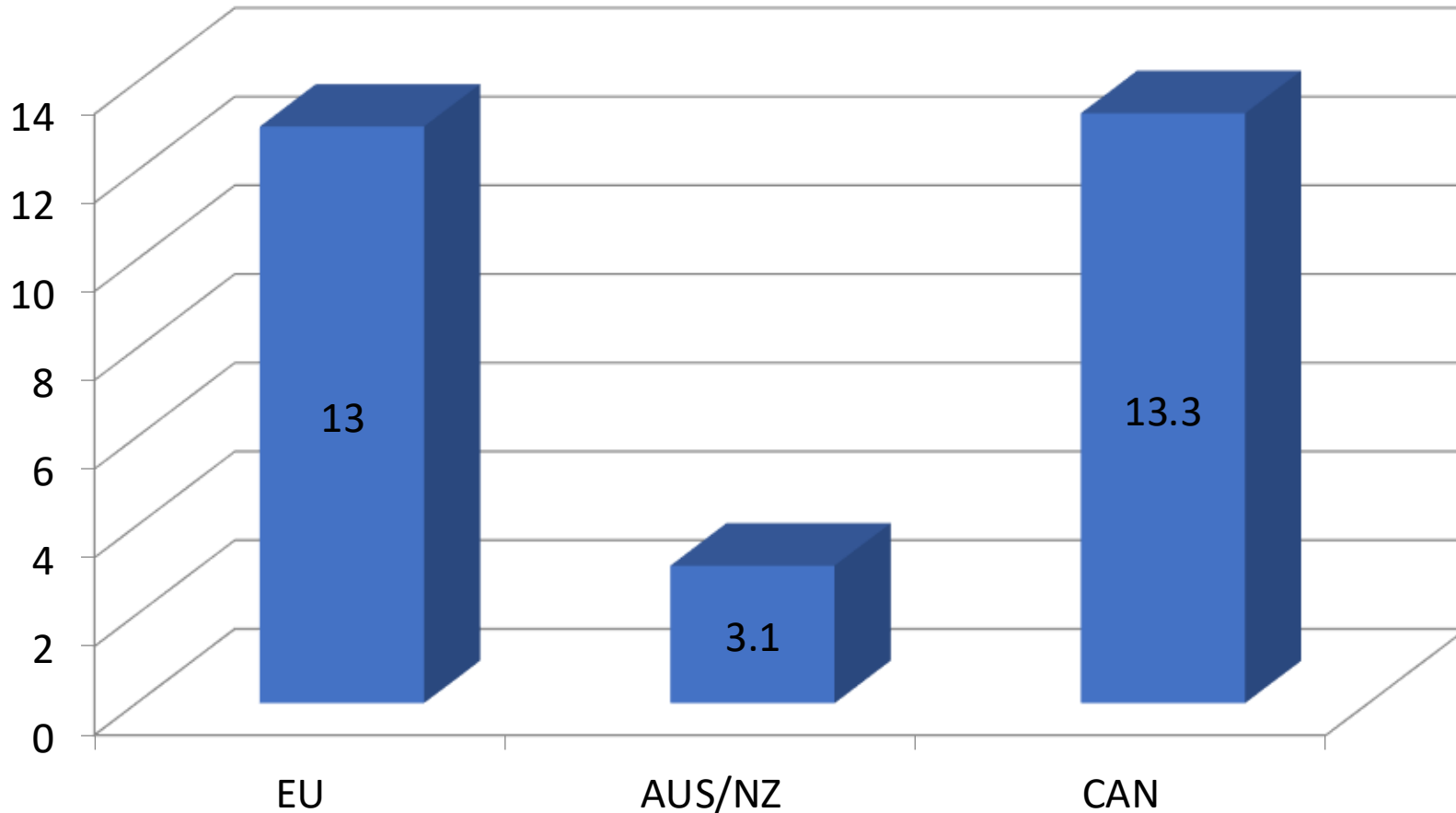
3-Home Invasive mechanical ventilation: decision making

4-Practical aspects of HIMV

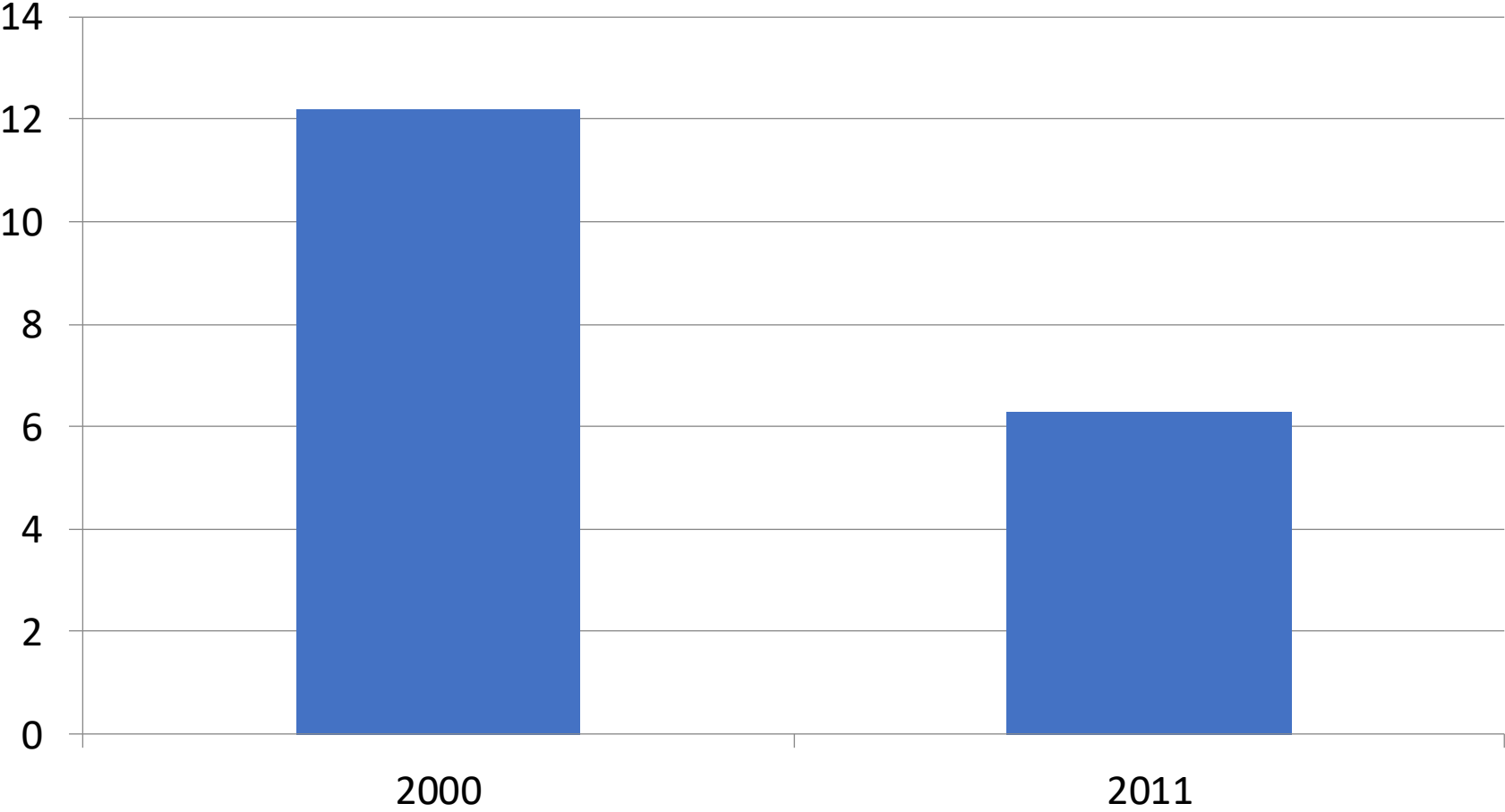
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Global prevalence of Tracheostomy HMV

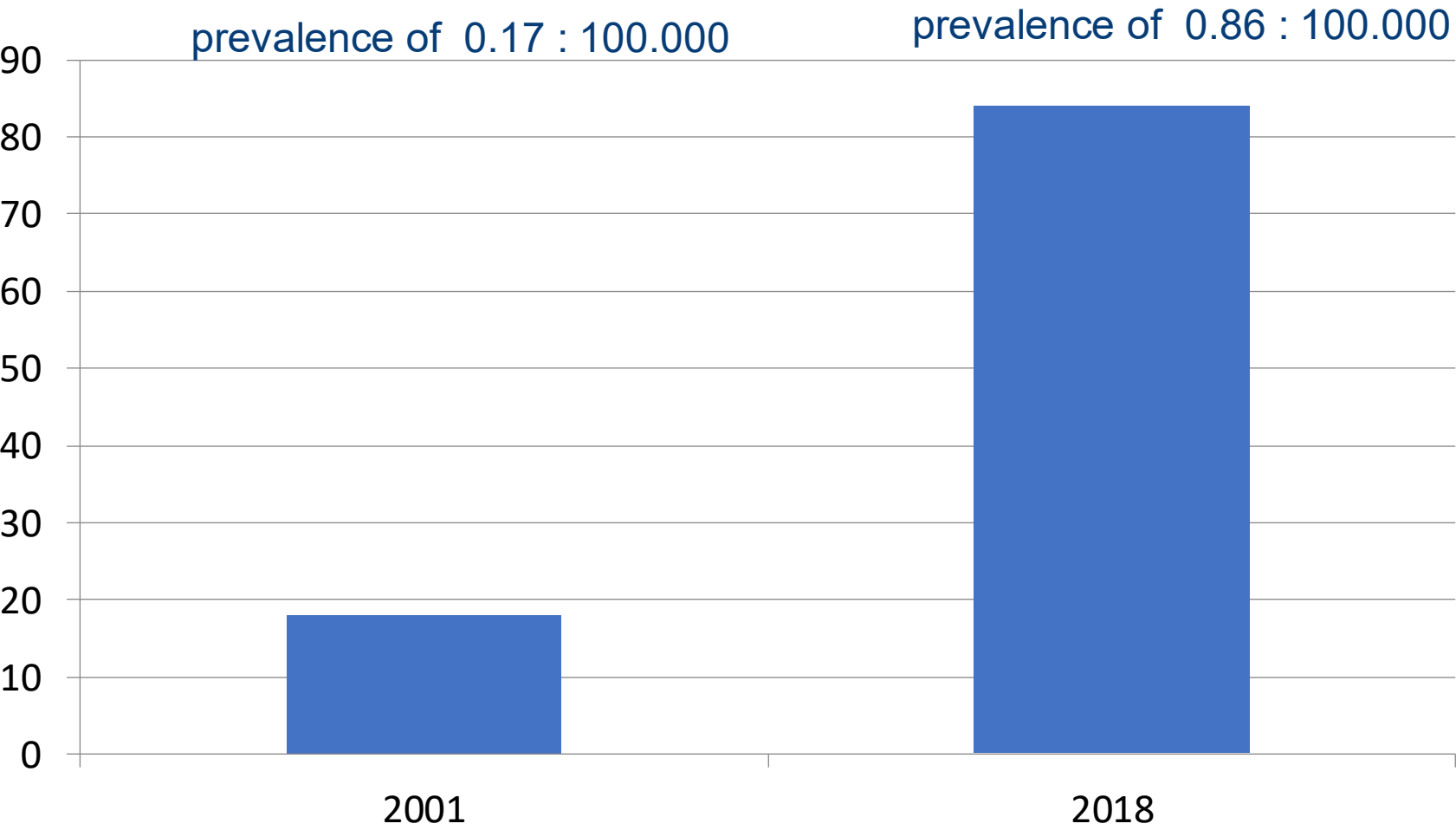


Prevalence (%) LTV in Ontario



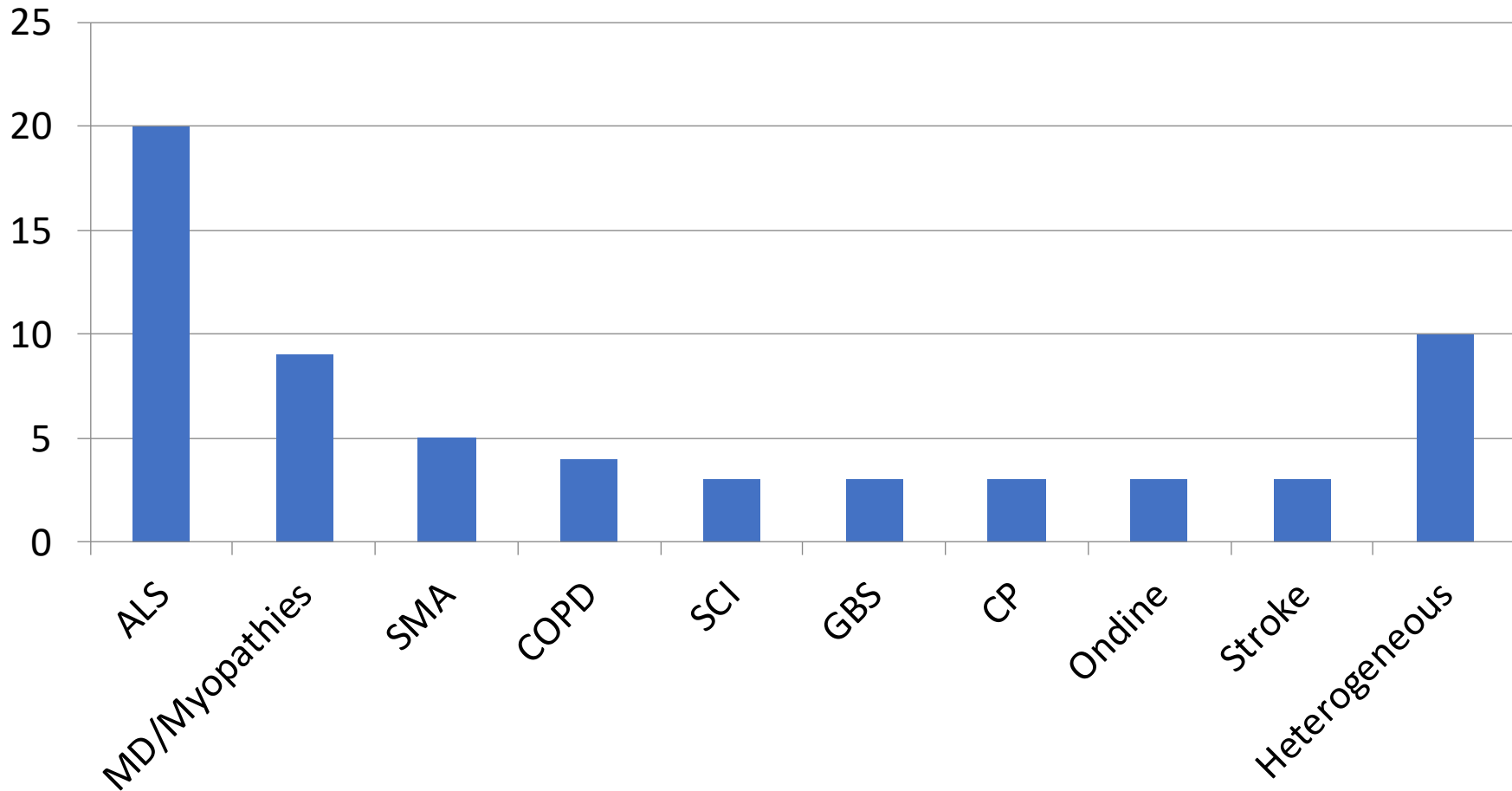
Povitz M et al Respir Care 2018;63(4):380–387

LTV in Portugal

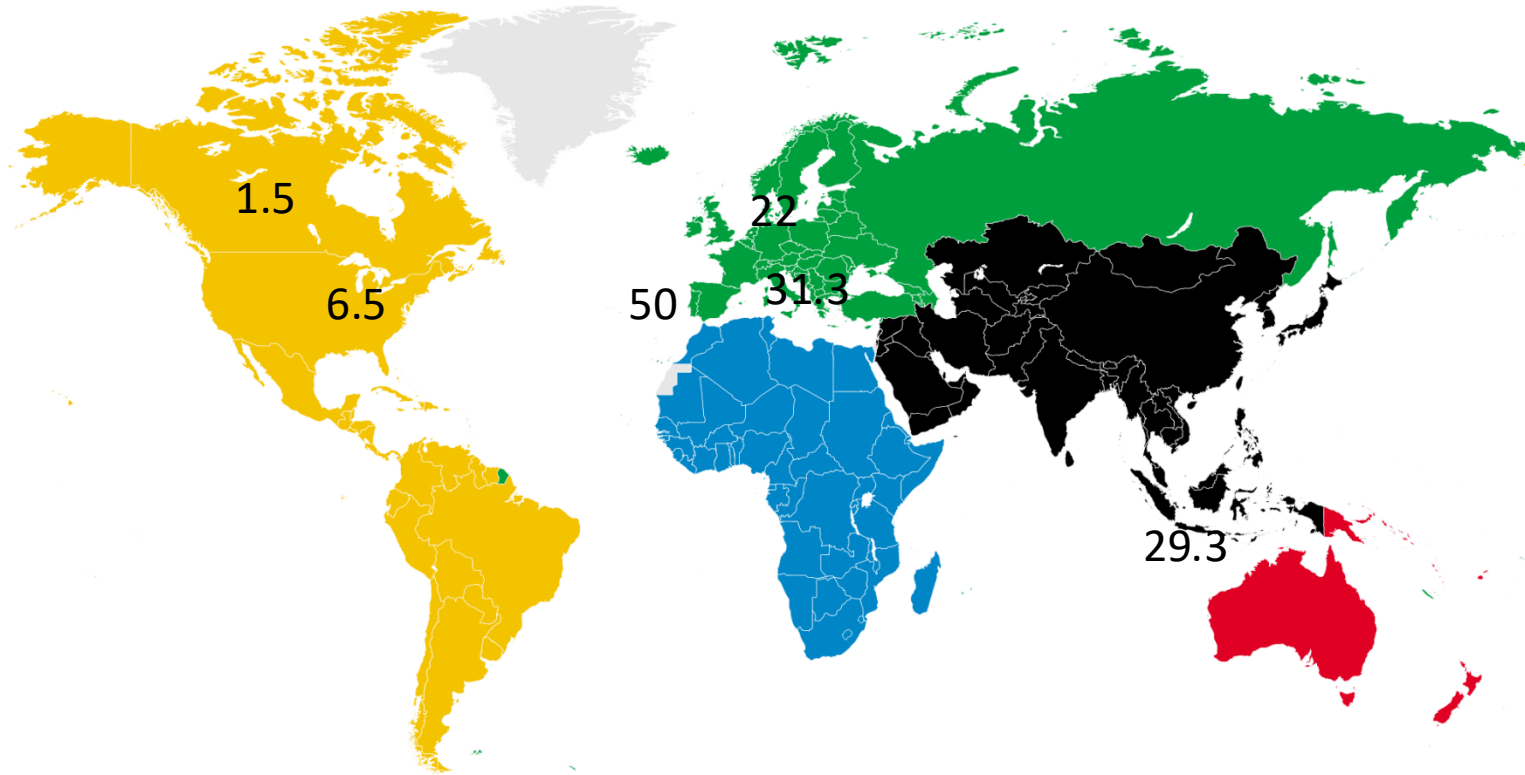




LTV in Portugal: disease categories

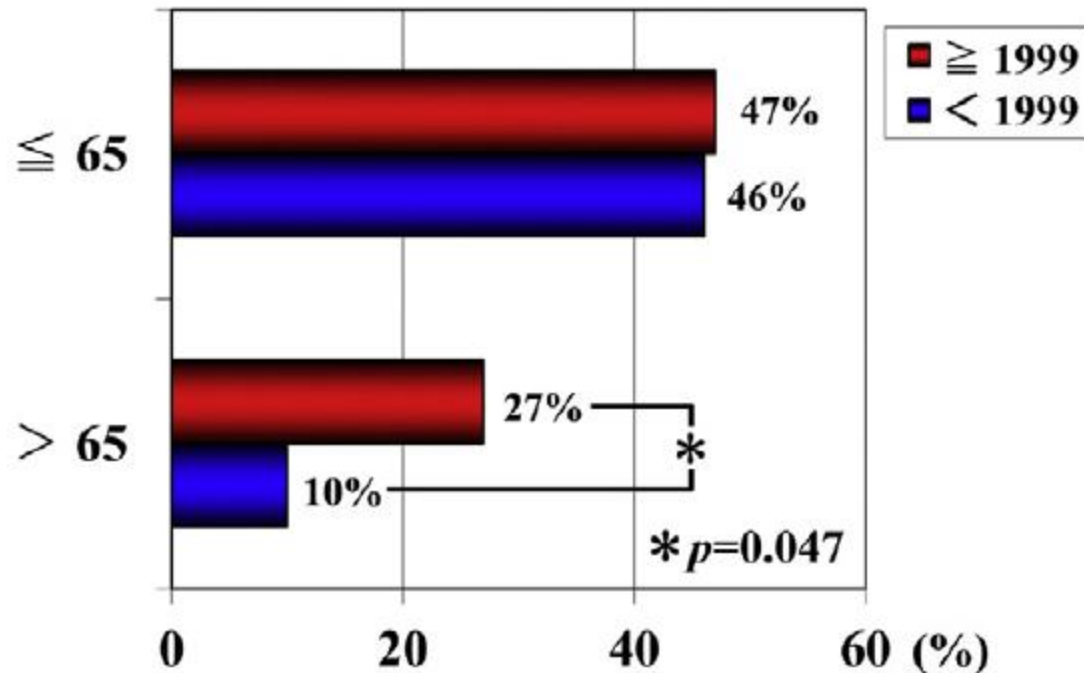


Prevalence of TIV IN ALS (%)



Sapataro, J Neurol Sci 2012;66-70 (IT), Sancho, Thorax 2011:948-52 (SP)
Ritsma, Can J Neurol Sci 2010; 37: 54-60 (CAN), Dreyer, ALS Frontotemporal Degener 2014:
62-7 (DEN) Tsou, Amyotroph Lateral Scler. 2012 May ; 13(3): 318-325 (US) Atsuta, J Neurol Sci
2009: 163-9 (JAP)

Use of Invasive ventilation in ALS over the past two decades in Osaka (Japan)



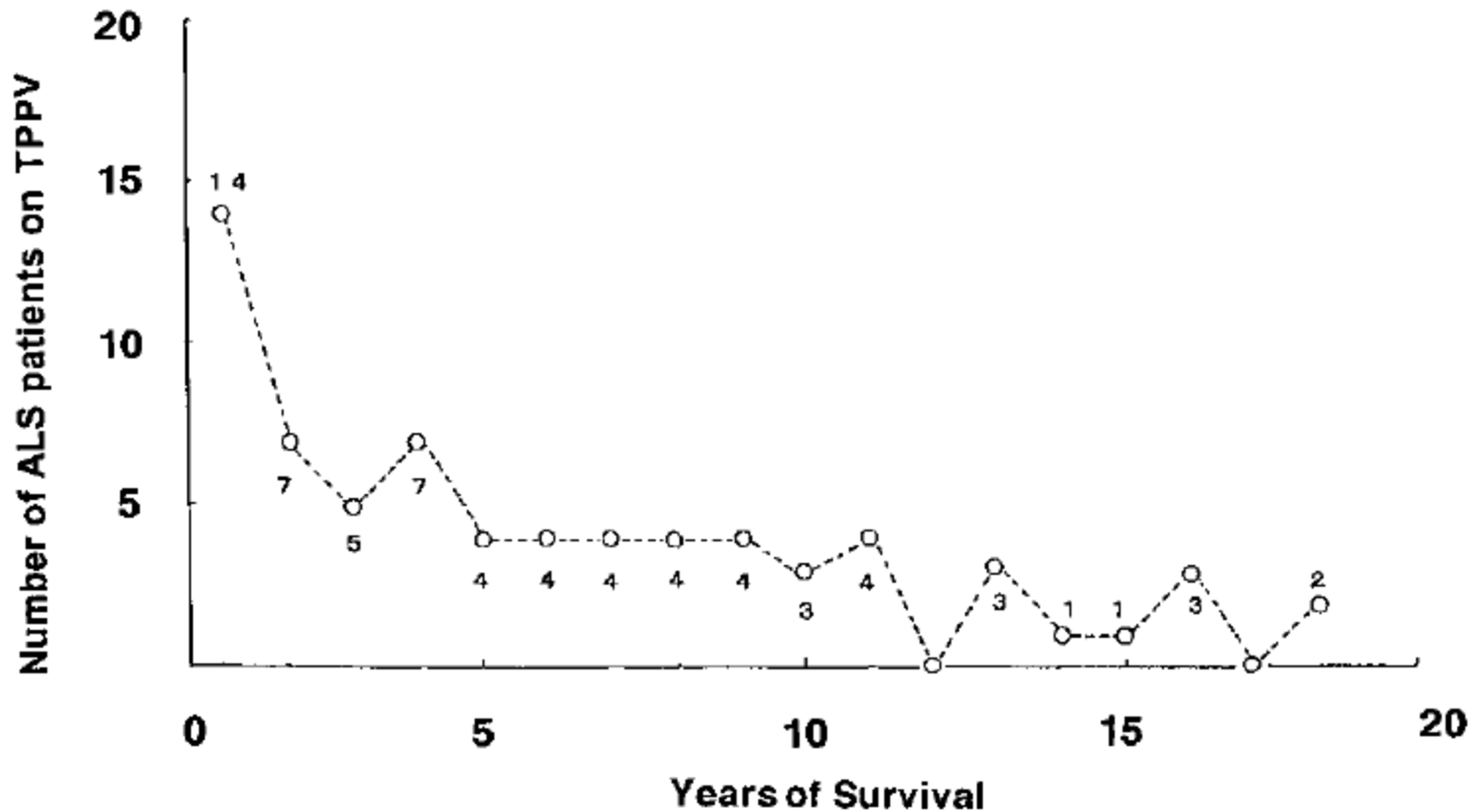
Survival after Tracheostomy Ventilation in ALS

Author (year)	N	Survival (months) from symptom onset or trach*	Respiratory status after discharge
Kaub-Witteimer (2003)	21	34.6	NR
LoCoco(2007)	30	37	NR
Vianello (2011)	60	30.3	42 (>18h) 17(4-18h)
Sancho (2011)	76	10.4*	NR
Spataro (2012)	87	47	80 (>18h) 7 (4-16h)

Informed consent: Tracheostomy Ventilation in ALS

Author (Year)	Informed consent (%)
Kaub-Wittemer (2003)	19%
LoCoco (2007)	?
Vianello (2011)	No advanced directives; One declined trach (1.6%)
Sancho (2011)	100%
Spataro (2012)	40.3%

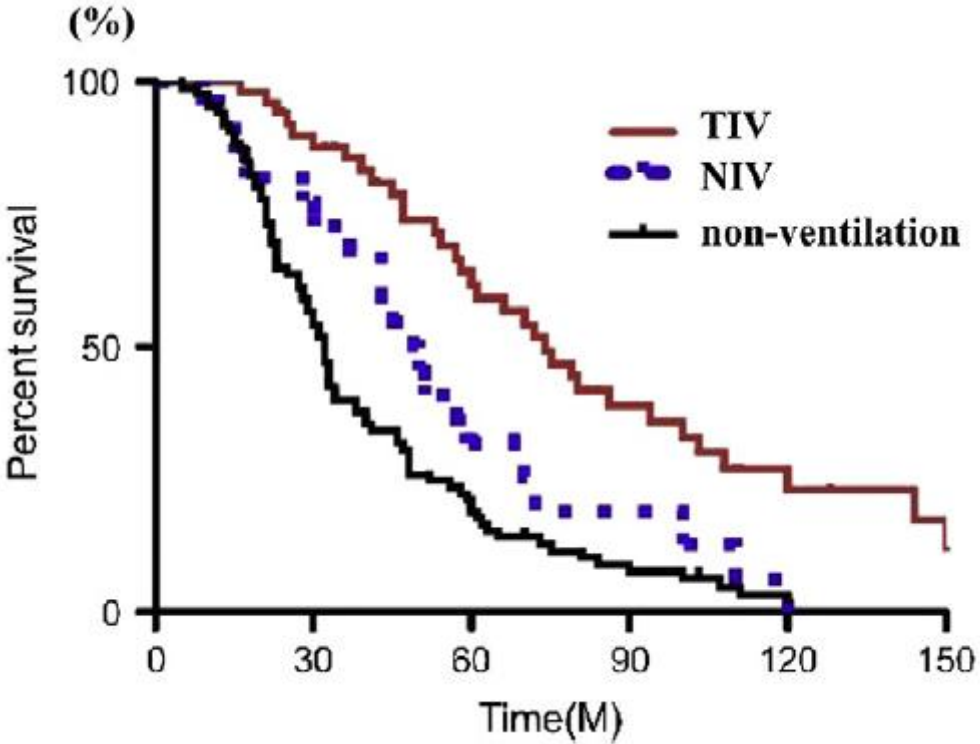
Distribution of years survived by 70 patients on TPPV



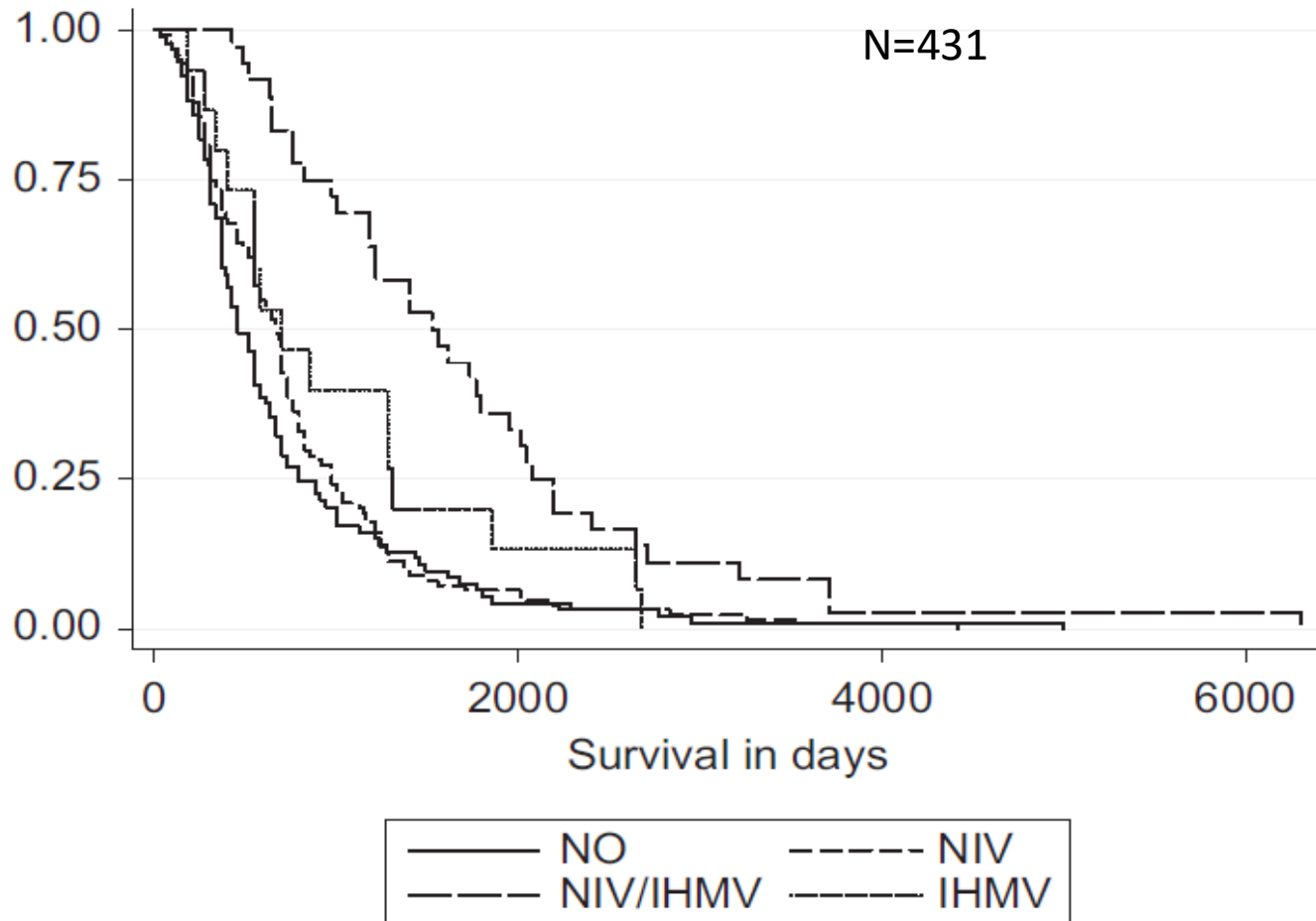
Hayashi, *Neurology* 2003;61;135-137

Survival rates: TIV versus NIV

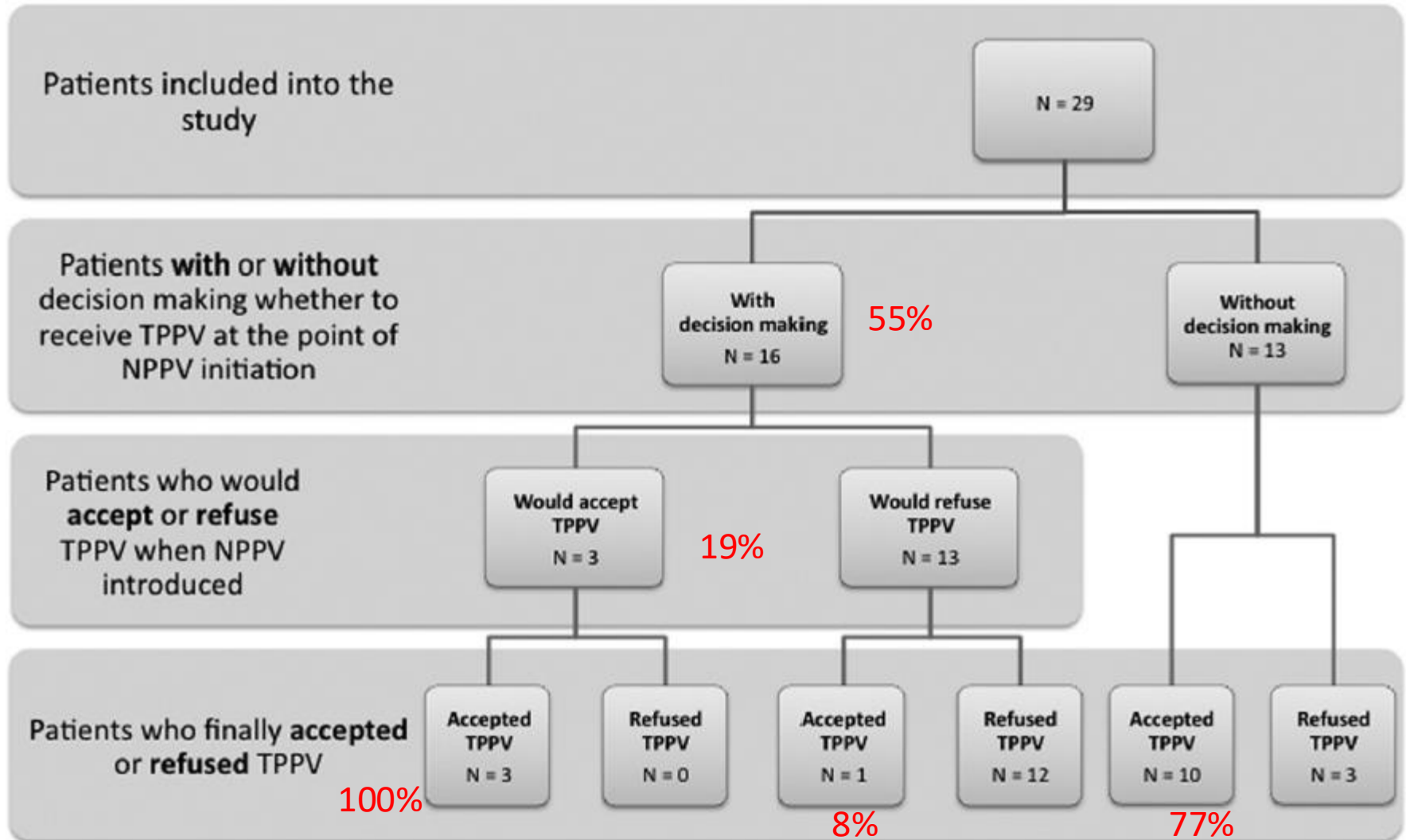
N= 160



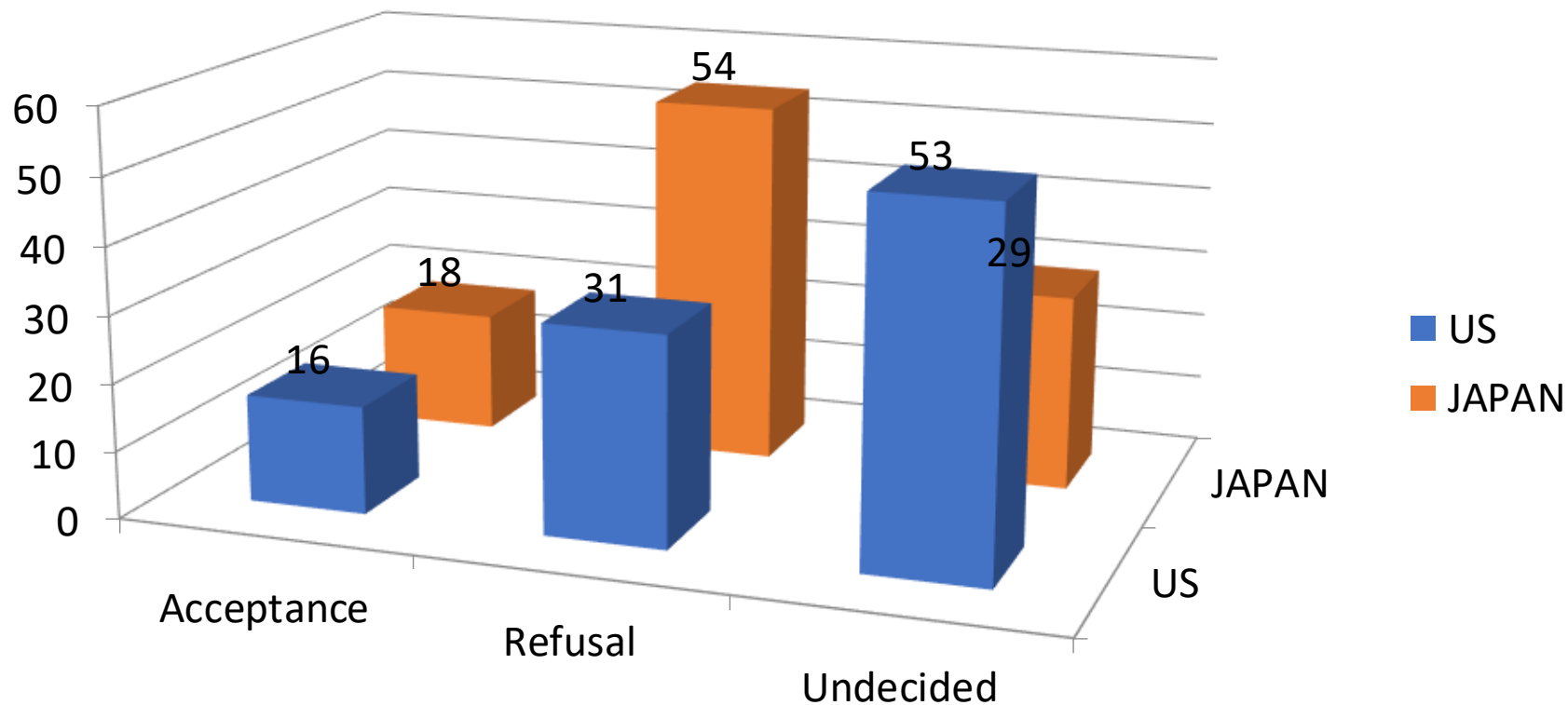
Switching from NIV to Invasive Ventilation extends survival in ALS



Decision making of ALS patients on NIV to receive tracheostomy positive pressure ventilation



TV in ALS: Patients' preference

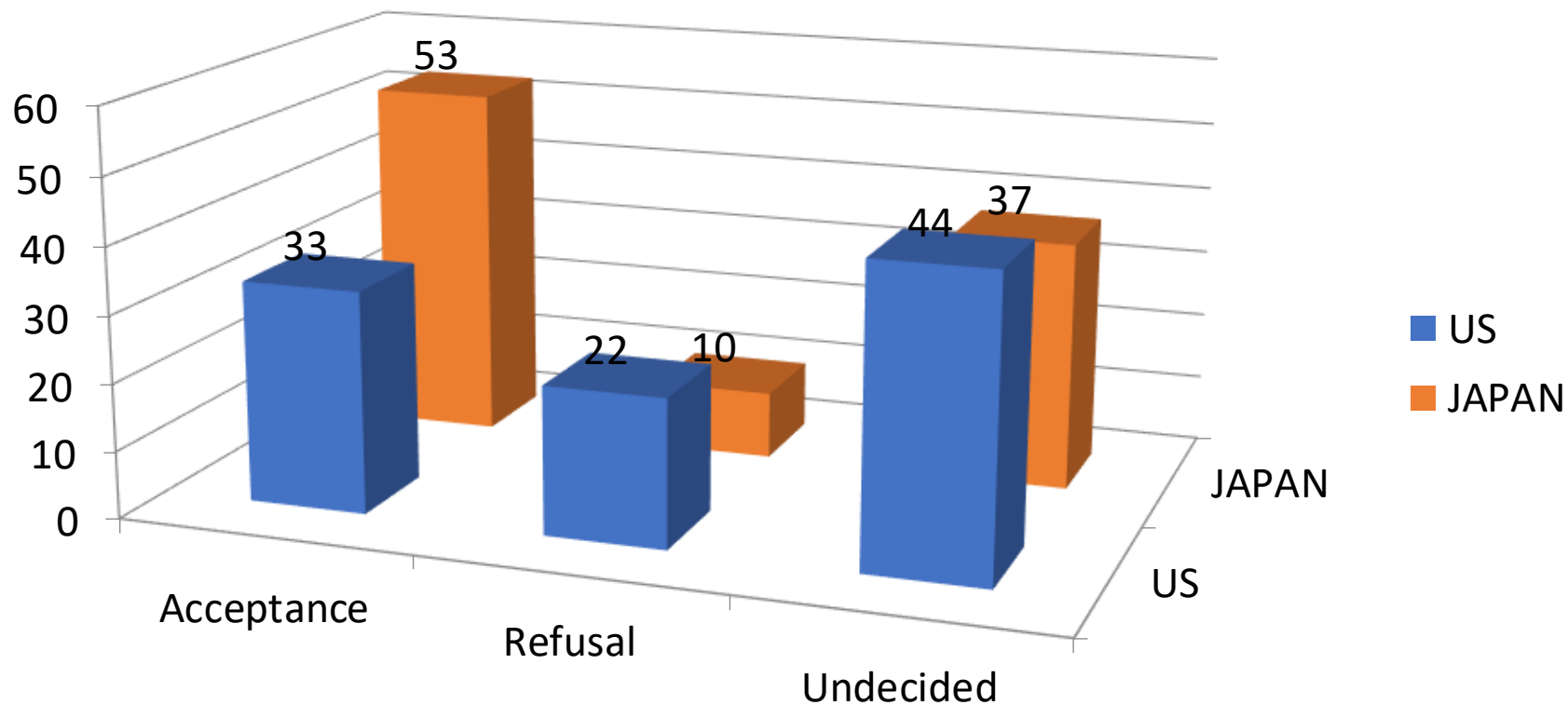


Why is taking decisions so difficult with these patients?

- The stakes are high: life, quality of life, the future, the consequences for relatives, etc.
- Feelings, especially fear, can weigh heavy in these situations and their influence on medium and long term decisions may be too great.
- The issues are not easy to understand and, if the physician is not an expert in this area, a poor explanation of them may be offered.

Modified from P. Arranz et al. 2004

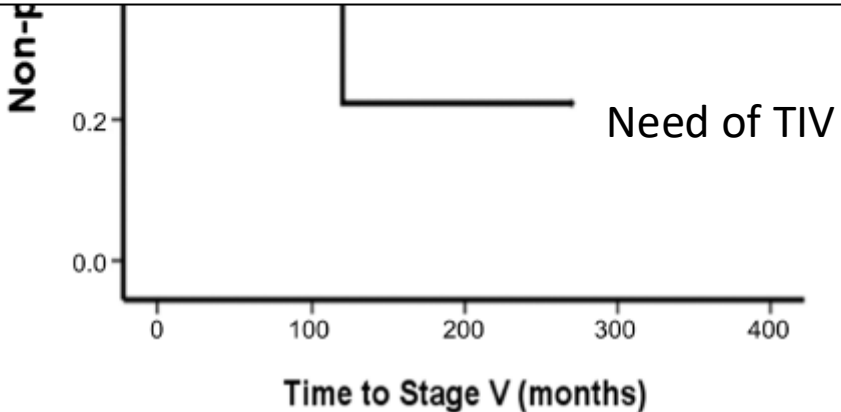
TV in ALS: Caregivers' preference



Impaired communication and TV in ALS

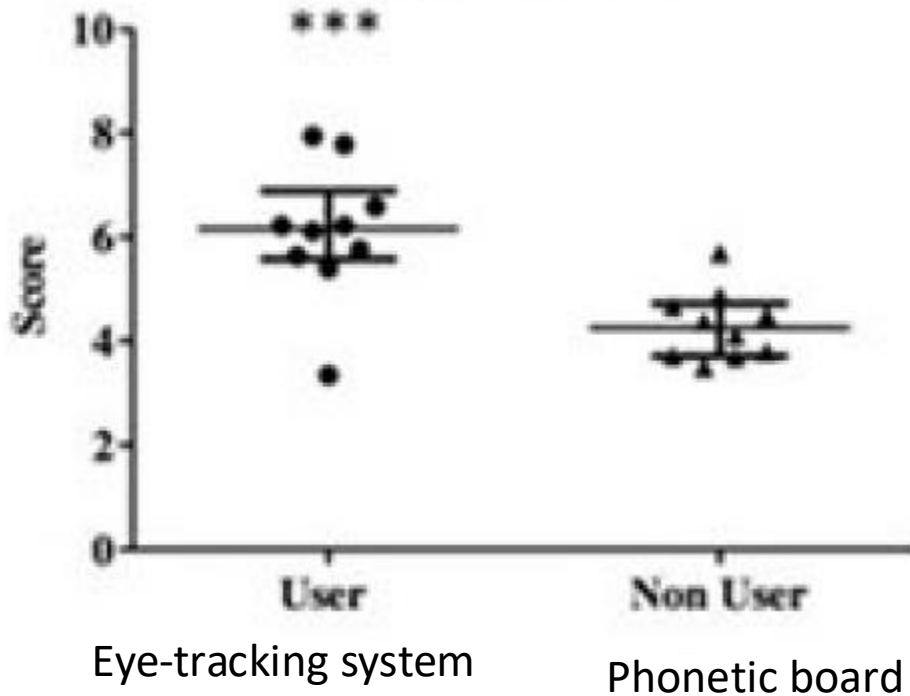


TV, impaired oculomotor limitation and total quadriplegia are predictors of severe communication impairment. About 80% of ALS patients using TV can use Augmentative and Alternative Communication systems

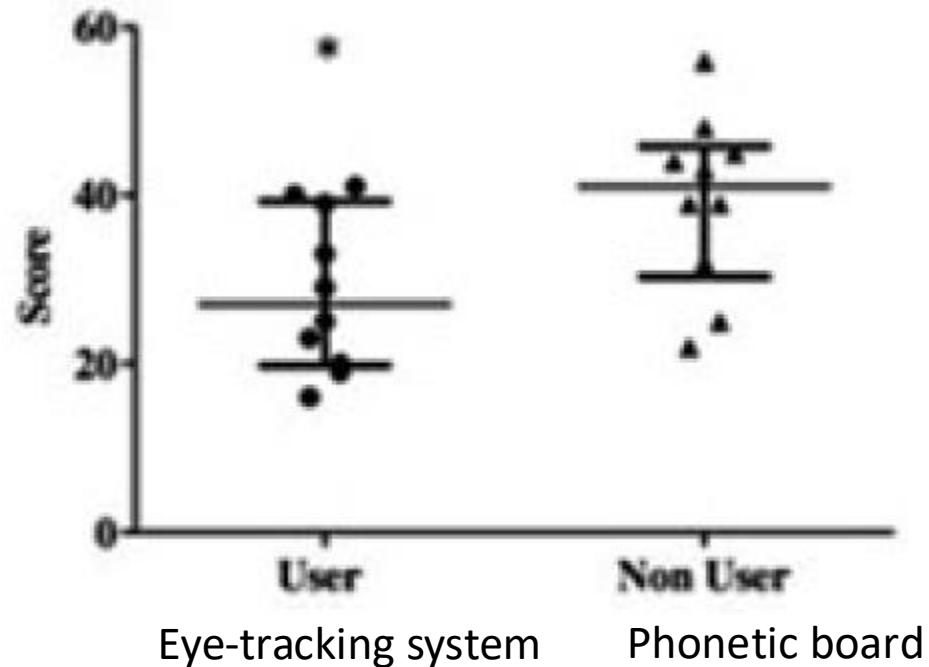


An Eye-Tracking Assistive Device Improves the Quality of Life for ALS Patients and Reduces the Caregivers' Burden

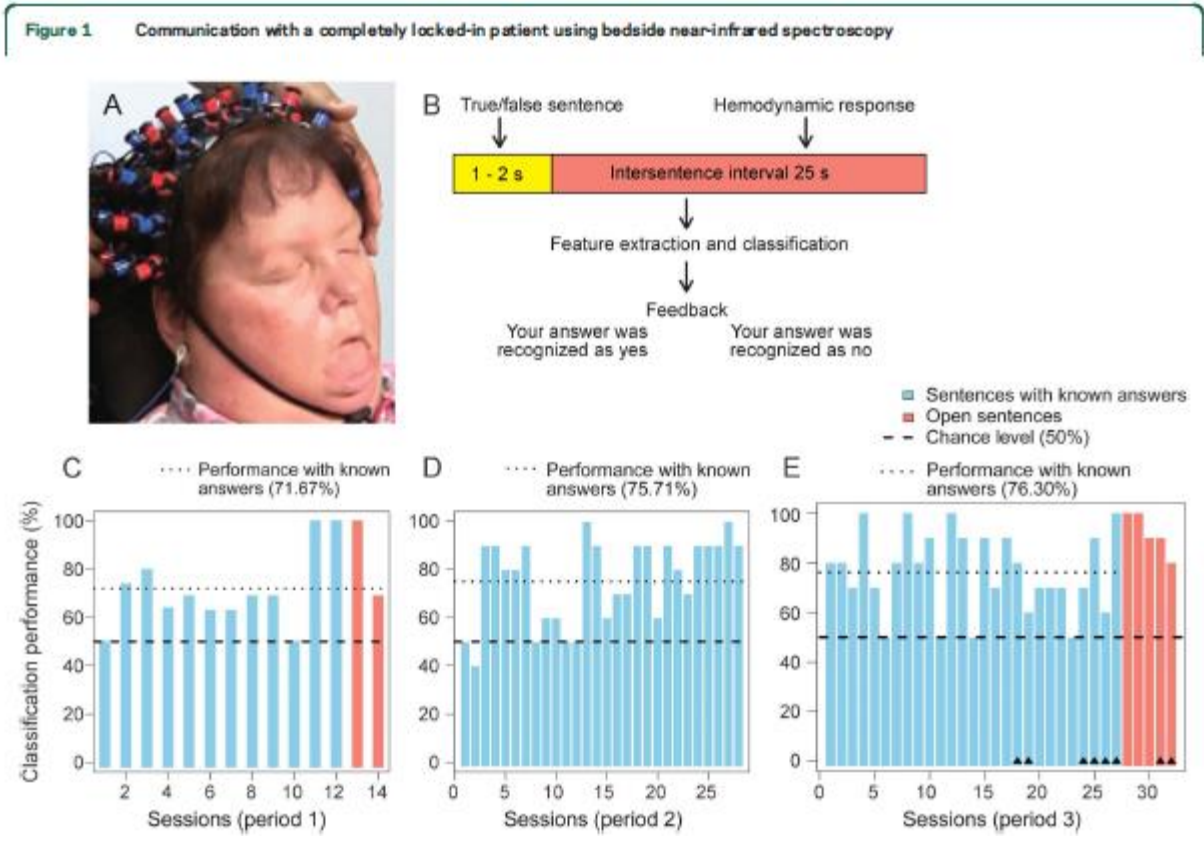
ALS Specific Quality of Life Instrument



Caregiver Burden Scale

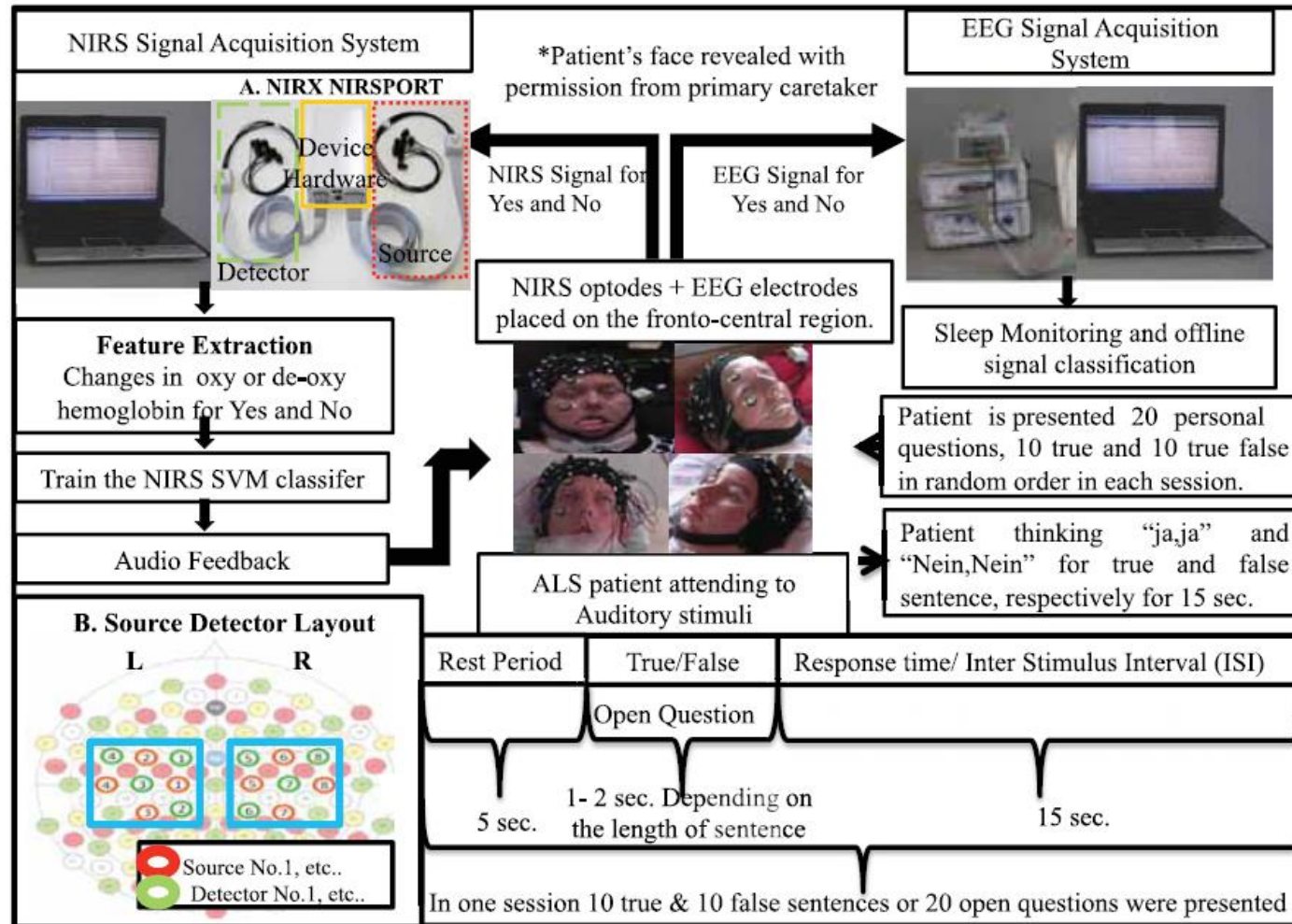


Brain communication in a completely locked-in patient using bedside near-infrared spectroscopy

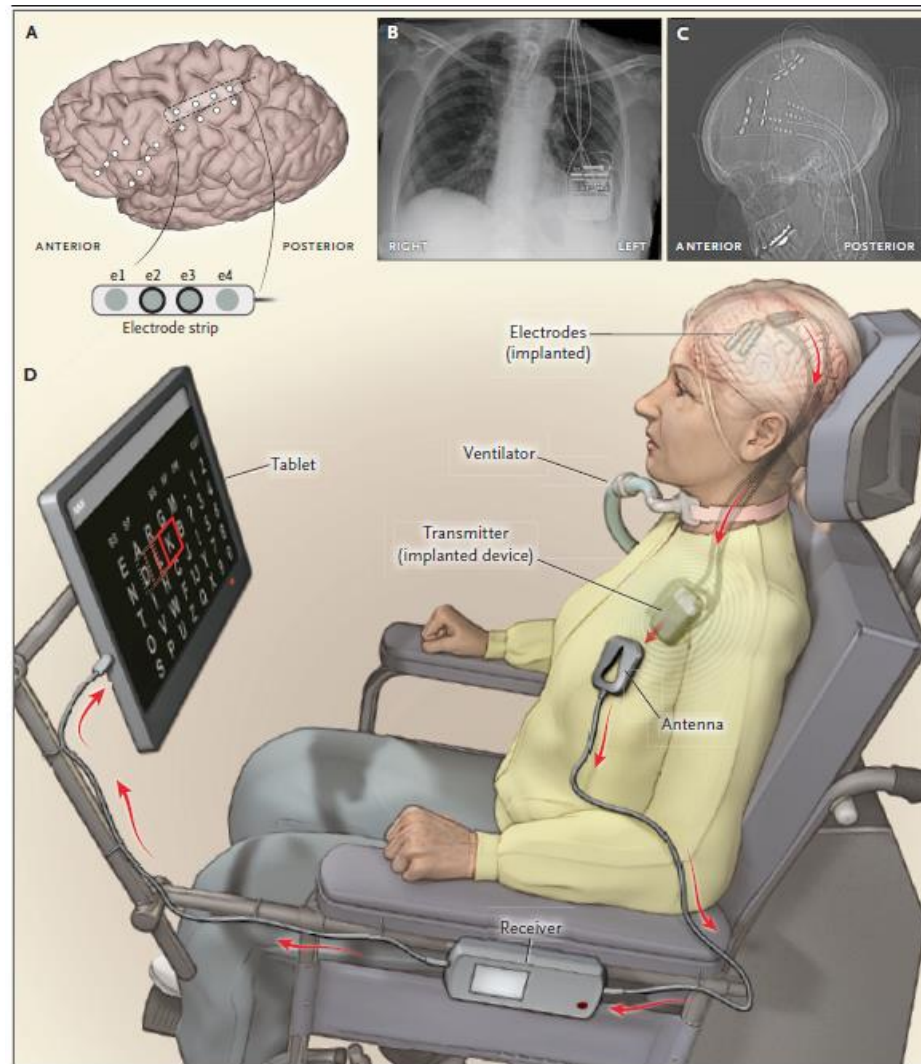


Brain-Computer Interface-Based Communication in the Completely Locked-In State

Ujwal Chaudhary^{1*}, Bin Xia², Stefano Silvoni³, Leonardo G. Cohen⁴, Niels Birbaumer^{1,5,6*}



Fully Implanted Brain-Computer Interface in a Locked-In Patient with ALS



When is Tracheostomy indicated

ALTHOUGH THE FUNDAMENTAL CAUSE OF THE TV IS
SEVERE BULBAR DYSFUNCTION
(WITH INEFFECTIVE NON-INVASIVE RESPIRATORY AIDS)
IN SOME HOSPITALS THE REAL CAUSE
IT IS THE LACK OF SKILLS AND RESOURCES
FOR NON INVASIVE MANAGEMENT

Time

Predictors of need of tracheostomy

- SpO₂ <95% under full time NIVS and MI-E
- Decline in PCF under MI-E

Bach JR, et al **Chest**. 2004 Nov;126(5):1502-7.

• Bach JR, et Am J Phys Med Rehabil 2018 Apr;97(4):e20-e22

One-year survival

ALS with tracheotomy mechanical ventilation: 79%

Sancho et al, Thorax 2011

Glioblastoma multiforme: 62%

European Organisation for Research and Treatment of Cancer Brain Tumour and Radiation Oncology Groups. Lancet Neurol 2009

Lung transplant: 82.7%

Registry of the International Society for heart and lung transplantation: twenty fourth official adult lung and heart lung transplant report-2007. J Heart Lung Transplant 2007

NEUROLOGY

Practice Parameter update: The care of the patient with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis: Report of the Quality Standards Subcommittee of the American Academy of Neurology

Neurology 2009;73;1218-1226

Recommendations

1. NIV may be considered to enhance QOL in patients with ALS who have respiratory insufficiency (Level C).
2. TIV may be considered to preserve QOL in patients with ALS who want long-term ventilatory support (Level C).

ethics in cardiopulmonary medicine

Patients With Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Receiving Long-term Mechanical Ventilation*

Advance Care Planning and Outcomes

Alvin H. Moss, MD; Edward Anthony Oppenheimer, MD, FCCP; Patricia Casey, MSOT; Pamela A. Cazzolli, RN; Raymond P. Roos, MD; Carol B. Stocking, PhD; and Mark Siegler, MD

CHEST / 110 / 1 / JULY 1996

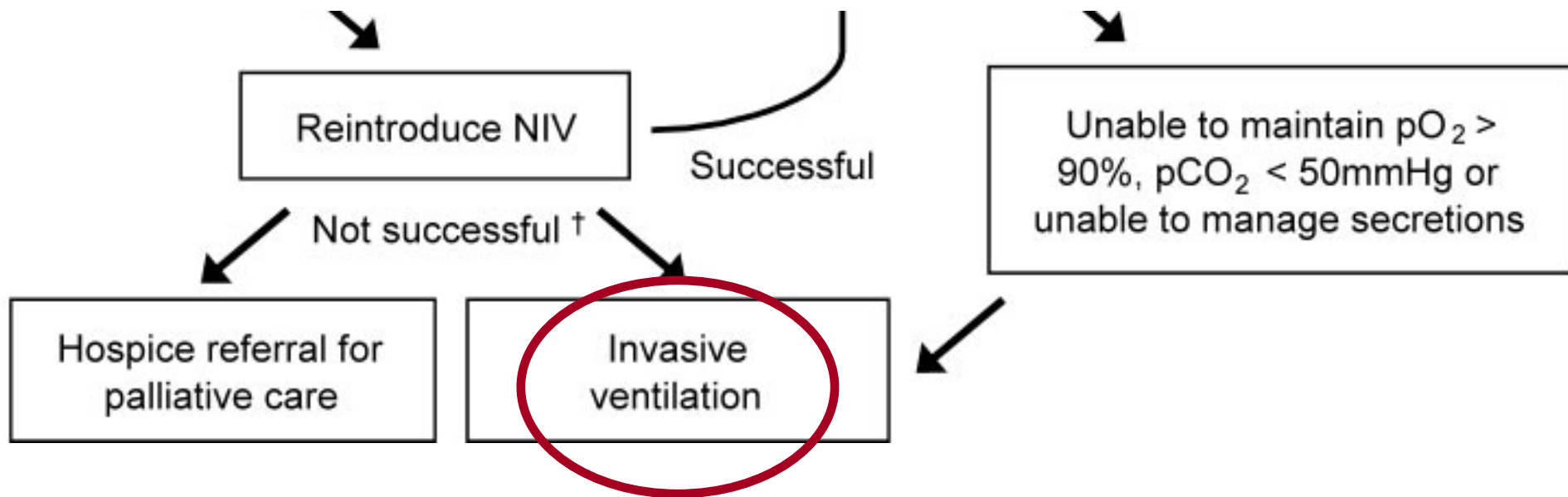
Of the 36 families who cared for a patient at home, 42% considered having the patient at home with LTMV as a “major burden, which changed their entire life and was stressful”. However, 83% of family caregivers would have encouraged their family member with ALS to choose LTMV again. On average, patients receiving LTMV at home were more satisfied than those living in an institution.

Key issues to take into account in order to take decisions in an ethical manner

- Understand that the patients have a right to know their future: they must be informed.
- Understand that they have the right to choose from the options: we must not impose our choices on them
- Understand that they have the right to be given the best possible treatment: *hi-tech treatment*.
- Understand that avoiding suffering and being compassionate is an essential part of best practice

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Home tracheotomy mechanical ventilation in patients with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis: causes, complications and 1-year survival

Jesús Sancho,^{1,2} Emilio Servera,^{1,2,3} José Luis Díaz,^{1,2,3} Pilar Bañuls,^{1,2} Julio Marín^{2,3}

Thorax 2011;**66**:948–952.

Methods A prospective study of all patients needing HTMV was performed in a referral respiratory care unit (RCU) from April 2001 to January 2010. Patients' informed decisions about HTMV were fully respected. Caregivers were trained and could telephone the RCU. Hospital staff made home visits.

Needed tracheotomy: 78 patients
Elected to have a tracheotomy: 38 patients

Situations in which a tracheotomy was required

In acute settings (n: 21)

- Trigger: Acute lower respiratory tract infection
- Immediate cause
 - Refusal of NIV: 1
 - NIV failure: 8
 - Failure of mechanical coughing aids: 3
 - Failure of both coughing aids and NIV: 9

Situations in which a tracheotomy was required

In acute settings (n: 21)

- N: 60
- A cut-off point of 12 for NBS was the best predictor for the identification of the ALS patients for whom continuous NIV would become ineffective during an acute lower respiratory tract infection (**sensitivity 0.90; specificity 0.92; positive predictive value 0.76; negative predictive value 0.97**).

Servera et al. To be submitted

T **Norris FH**, Calanchini PR, Fallat RJ, et al. The administration of guanidine in amyotrophic lateral sclerosis. *Neurology* 1974;**24**:721–8.

Situations in which a tracheotomy was required

In **non-acute settings** (n: 17)

- Primary cause: Progression of the disease
- Immediate cause:
 - Refusal of NIV: 1
 - Surgery: 1
 - NIV failure: 5
 - Failure of mechanical coughing aids: 10
 - Failure of both NIV and coughing aids: 4

Situations in which a tracheotomy was required

In **non-acute settings** (n: 17)

- Primary cause: Progression of the disease
- Immediate cause:

**FAILURE TO CLEAR SECRETIONS
IS AN IMPORTANT FACTOR FOR TRACHEOTOMY
IN ALS PATIENTS**

LONG-TERM MANAGEMENT

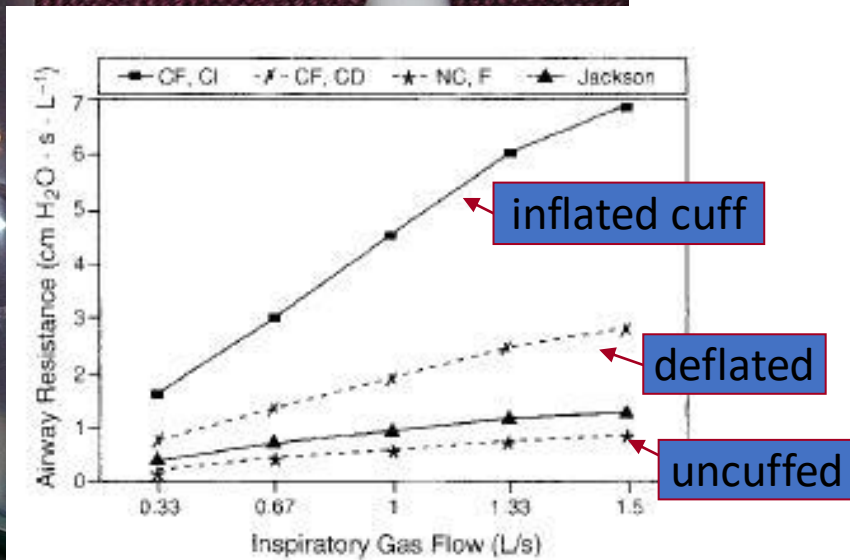
- CHOICE OF CANNULA
- CUFF MANAGEMENT
- MALPOSITION
- REPLACEMENT
- HUMIDIFICATION
- DYSPHAGIA
- PHONATION





Jackson size	ID with inner cannula	ID without inner cannula	ED
4	5.0 mm	6.7 mm	9.4 mm
6	6.4 mm	8.1 mm	10.8 mm
8	7.6 mm	9.1 mm	12.2 mm
10	8.9 mm	10.7 mm	13.8 mm

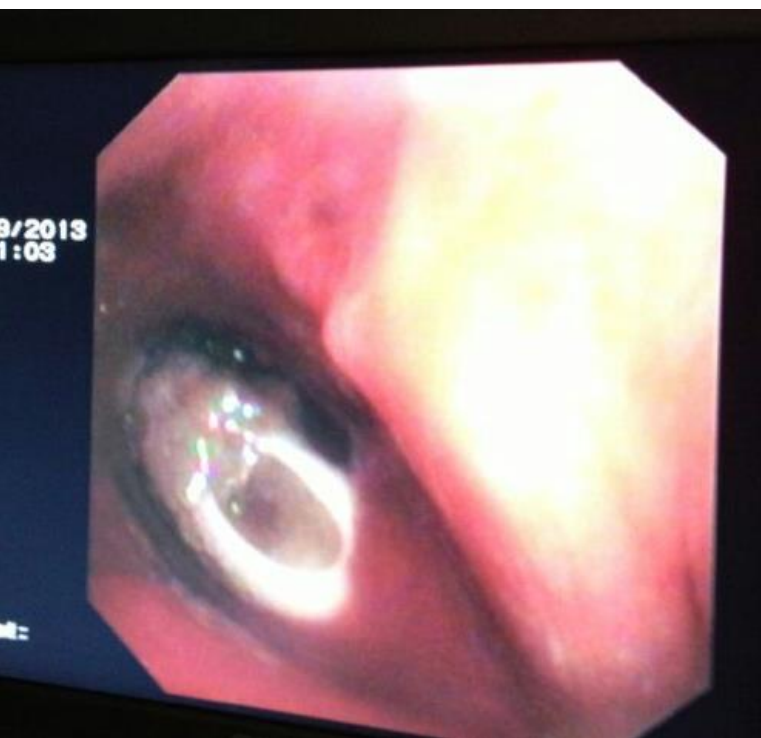
Uncuffed fenestrated cannulas



B Beard et al, Respir Care 1993

assist-control mode

Importance of fenestra location

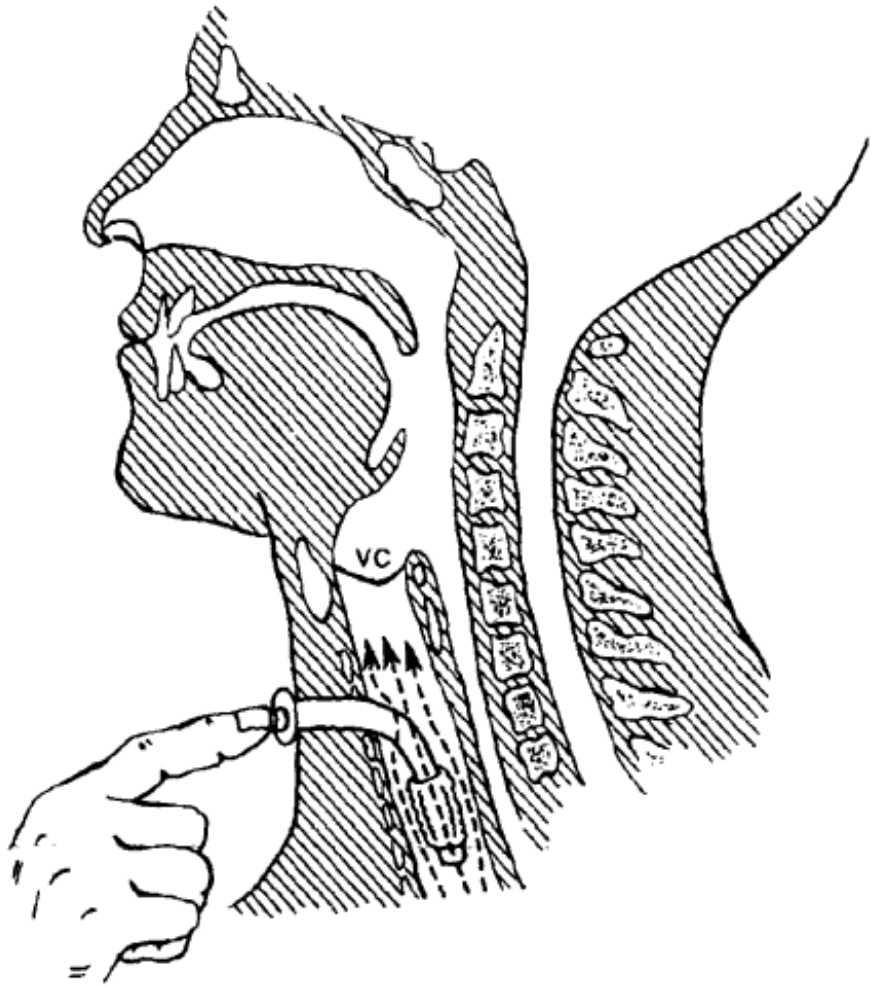


INNER CANNULA

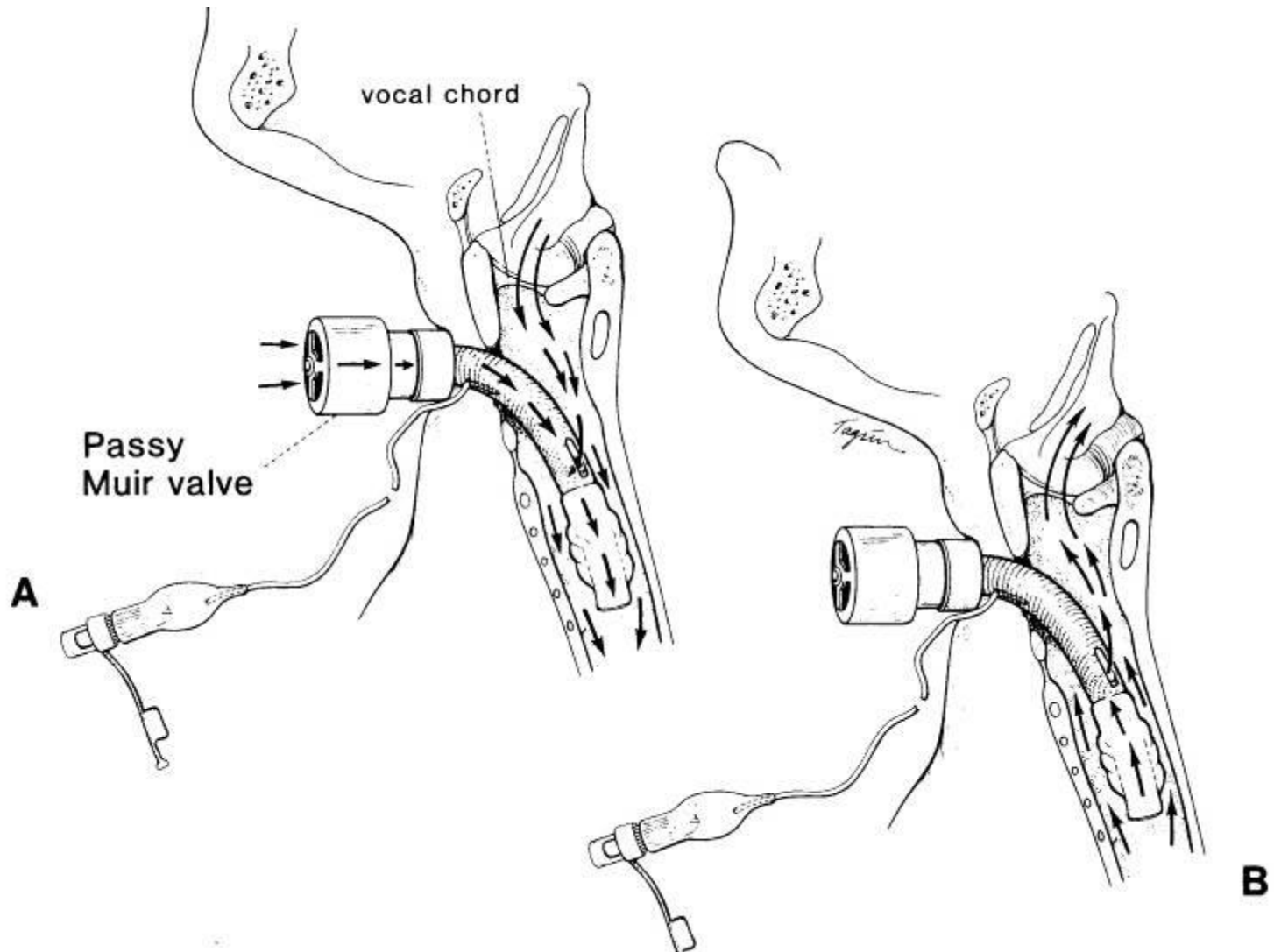


Capping

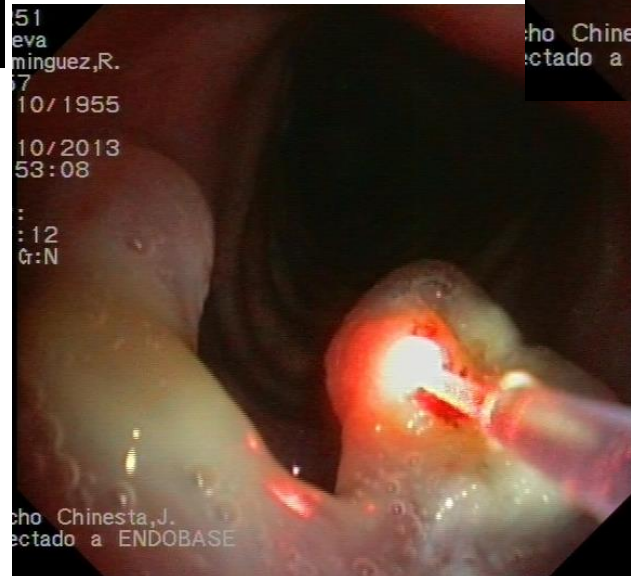
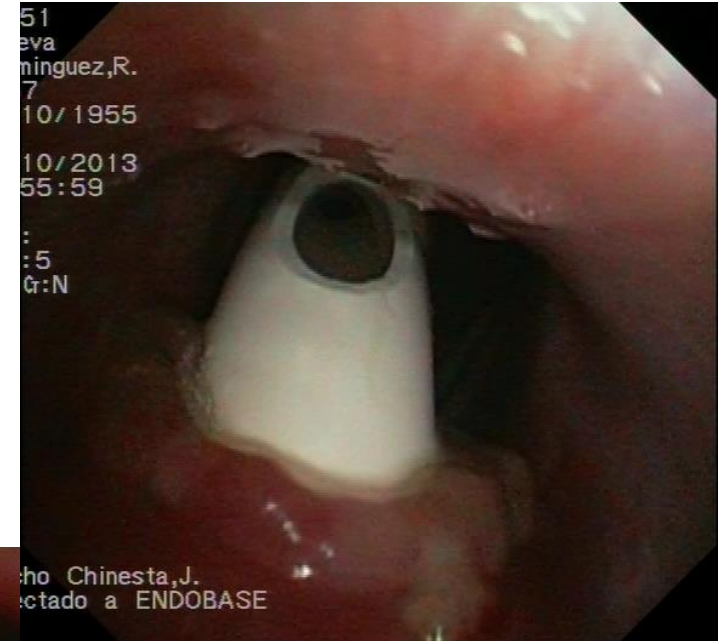




Speaking during spontaneous breathing



Granuloma and tracheal obstruction



Prolonging Survival in Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis

Efficacy of Noninvasive Ventilation and Uncuffed Tracheostomy Tubes

Sancho J, Servera E, Bañuls P, Marin J: *Am J Phys Med Rehabil* 2010;89:407–411.

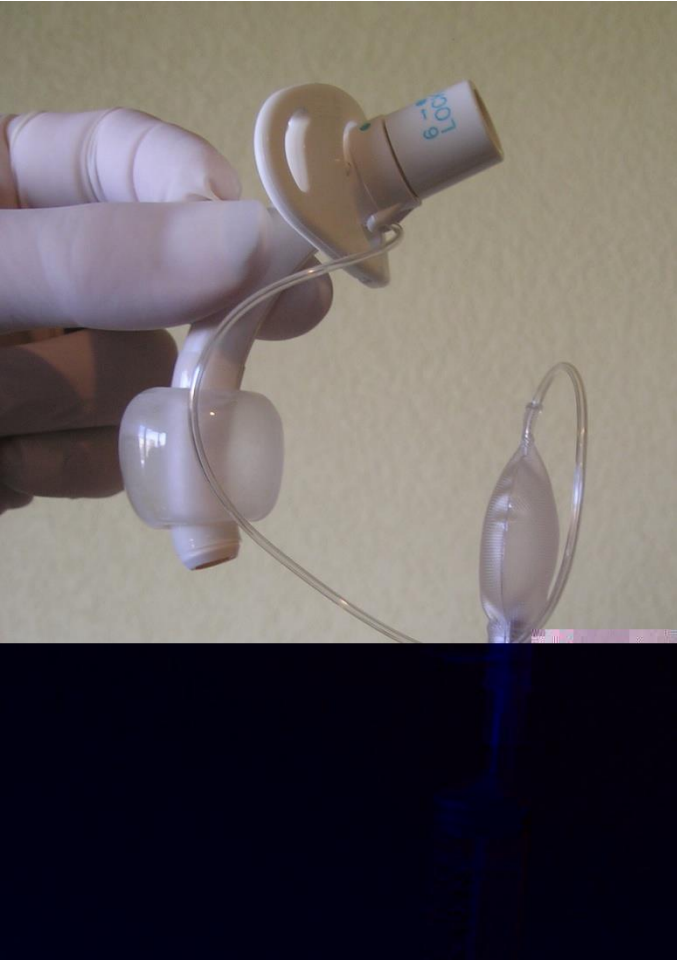
- 28 ALS patients
- NBS: 9.39 ± 6.32
- Vt: 874 ± 130 mL, RR: 14.24 ± 1.08 rpm
- I/E ratio: 1/1 (26 pat.) and 1/1.25 (2 pat.)
- Peak inspiratory pressure: 18.57 ± 1.91 cmH₂O
- EtCO₂ 36.7 ± 2.7 mm Hg, SpO₂ $97.1 \pm 0.7\%$.

After 5.65 ± 7.80 mos, 10 patients changed to cuffed cannulas (9 hypercapnic -EtCO₂: 55.7 ± 3.3 mmHg-)

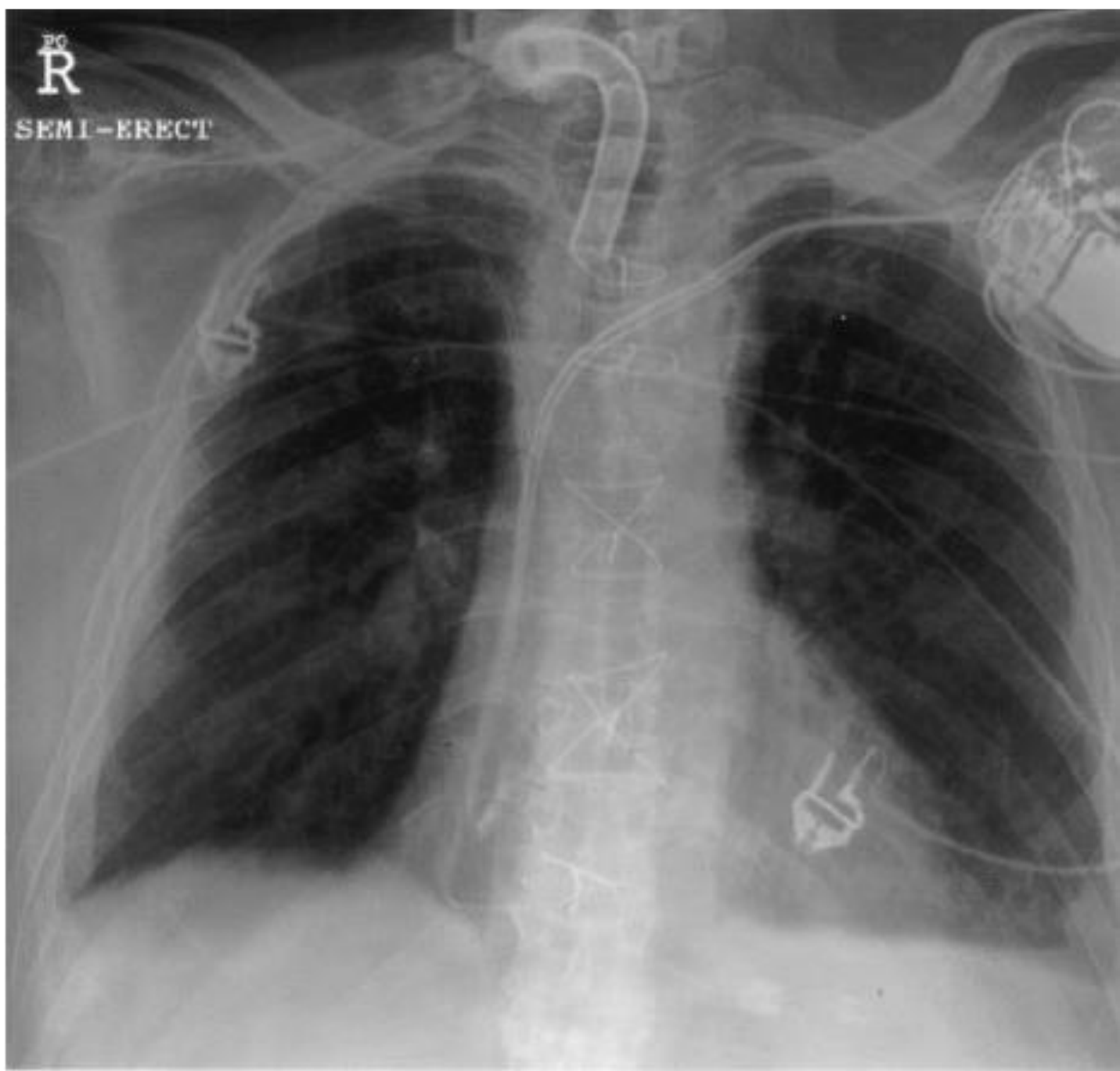
NBS was significantly lower when cuffed tubes were required: 3.20 ± 1.30 vs 8.00 ± 3.20 , ($p < 0.05$).



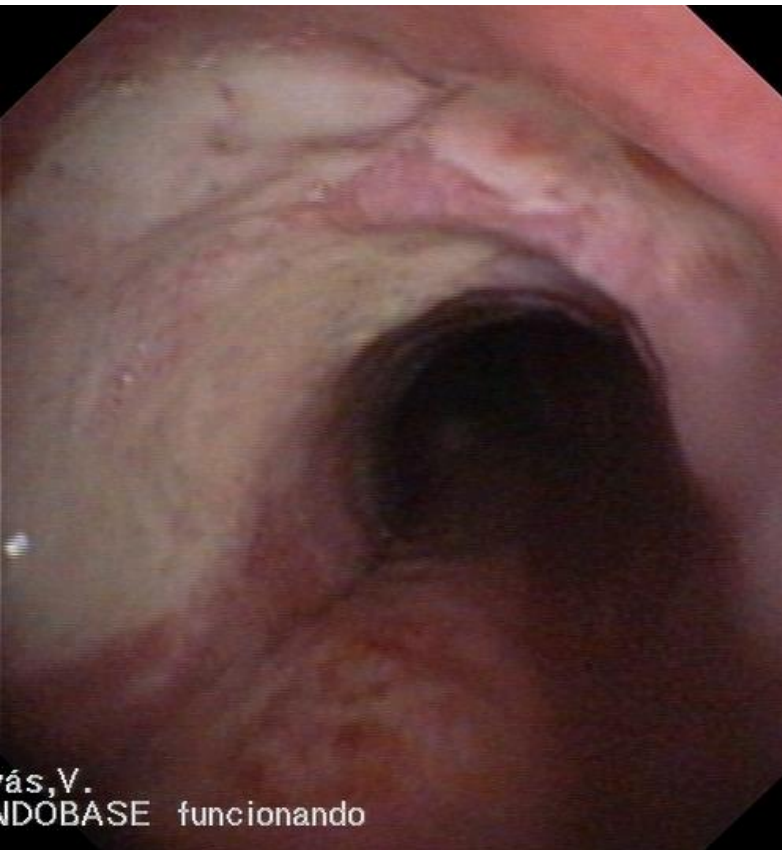
Cuffed cannulas



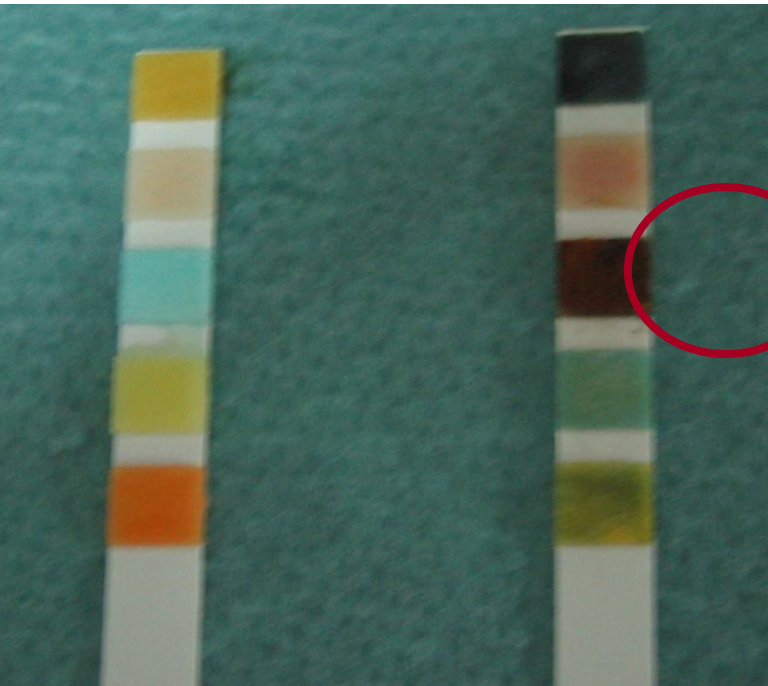
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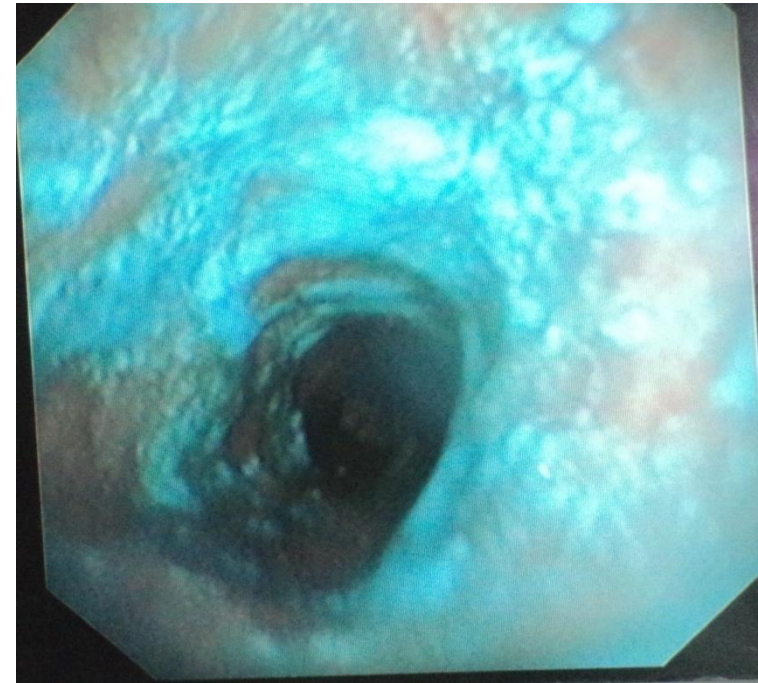
Tracheal lesions due to cuff



Food aspiration

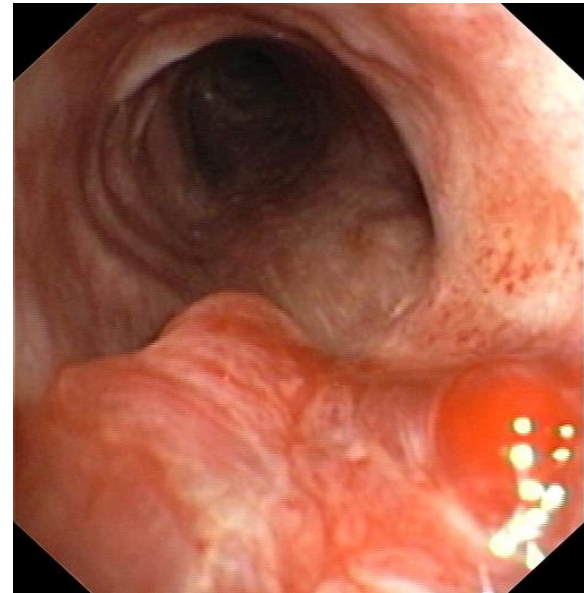


Positive glucose strip in contact with tracheal aspirate

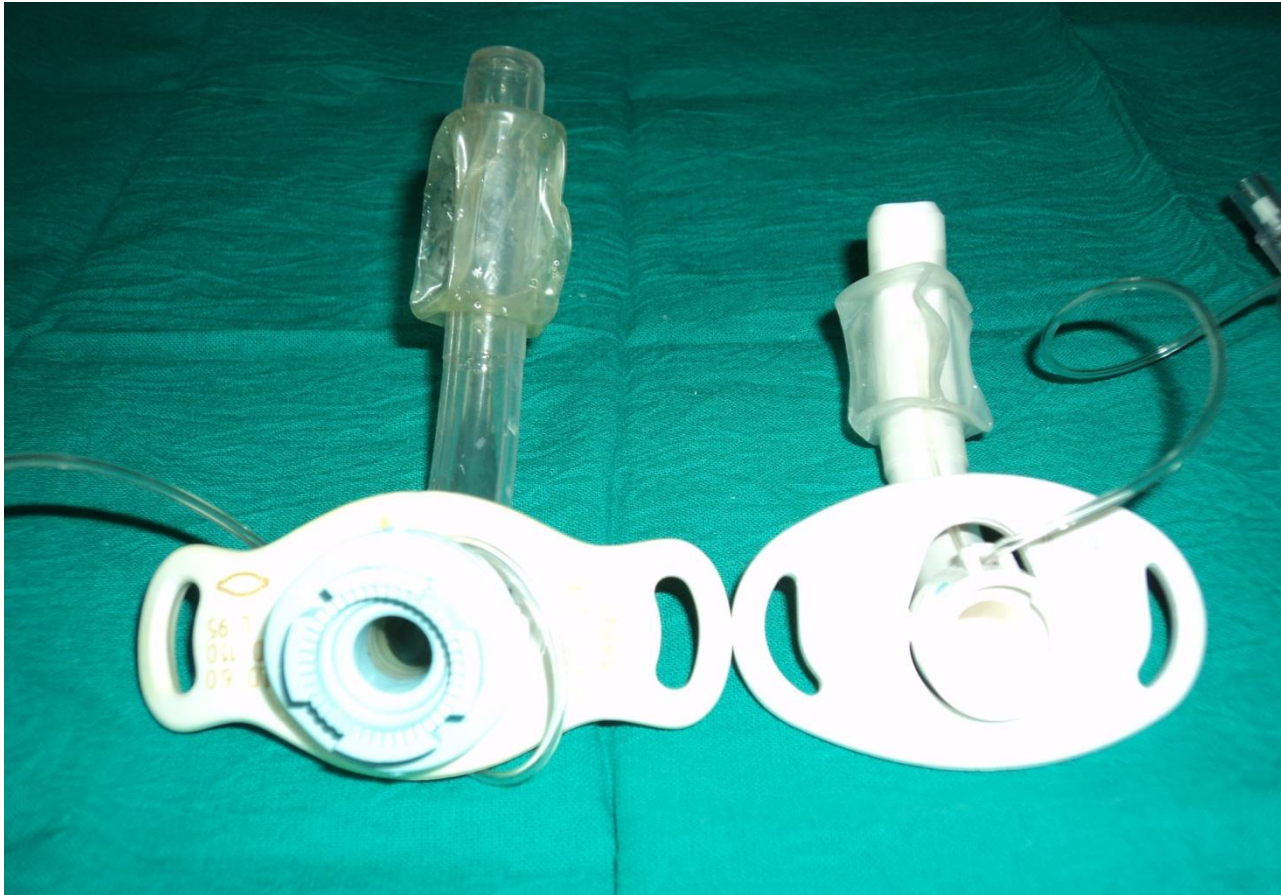


Patient did not cough after eating

Tracheal lesions due to cannula tip



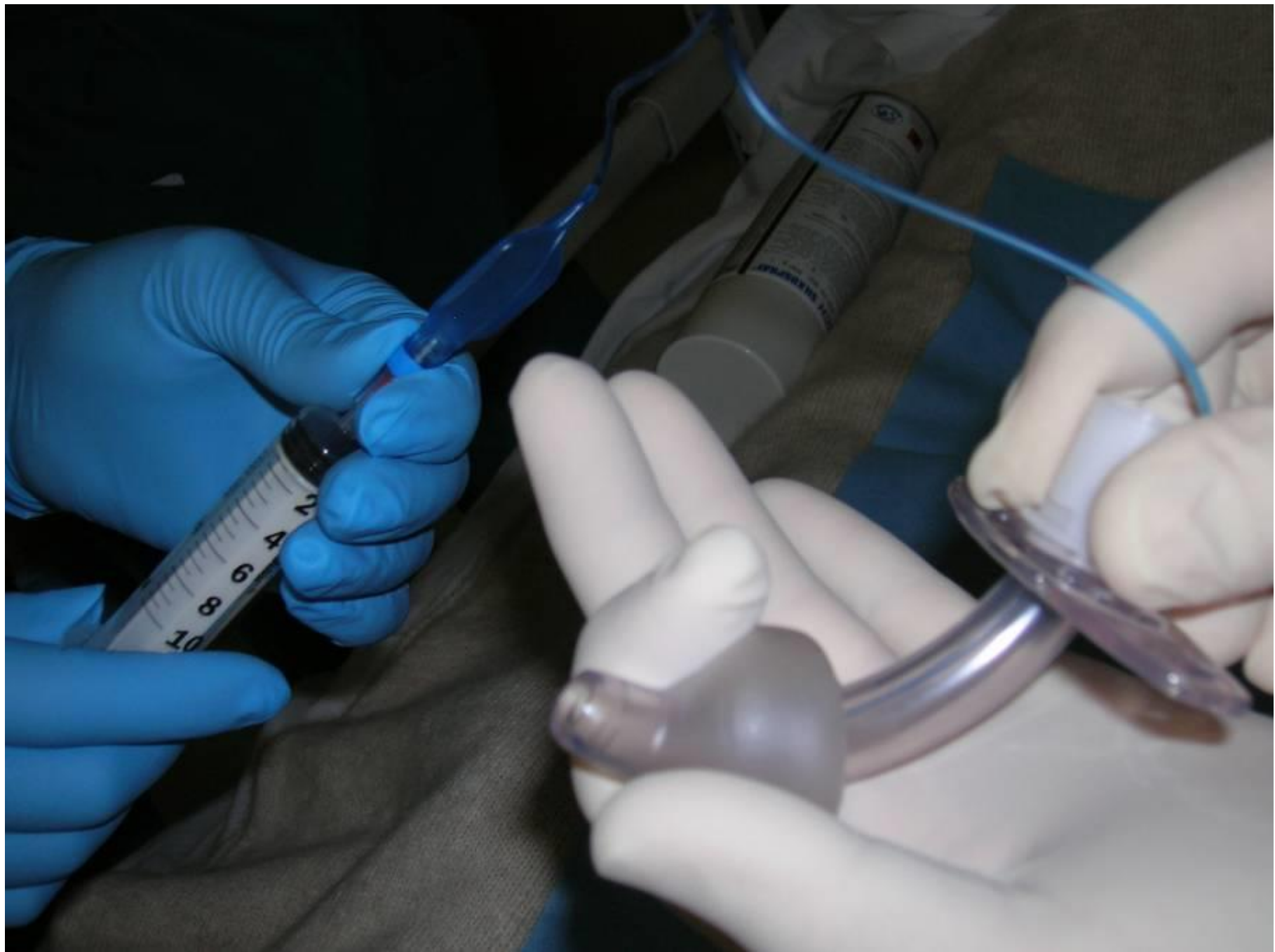
Long cannulas as alternative



MJ Rumbak et al, CHEST 1999

TUBE REPLACEMENT

- **FIRST CHANGE ADVISABLE > 10-15 DAYS AFTER TRACHEOSTOMY**
- **NO FIXED SCHEDULE FOR REPLACEMENT BUT HIGHLY DEPENDENT ON LOCAL POLICY**
- **CLOSELY LINKED TO THE TYPE OF CANNULA (INNER CANNULA etc) AND TO THE QUALITY OF DOMICILIARY MANAGEMENT**















Secretion clearance in tracheostomized patients

- Ambient humidity > 60%
 - Systemic hydration
 - SpO₂ and pressure spikes
 - Sensations of the patient
 - Scheduled aspirations, using mechanical aids
 - Filters to retain moisture
 - Humidification and heated systems?
- Avoid the routine use of physiological saline instillation**



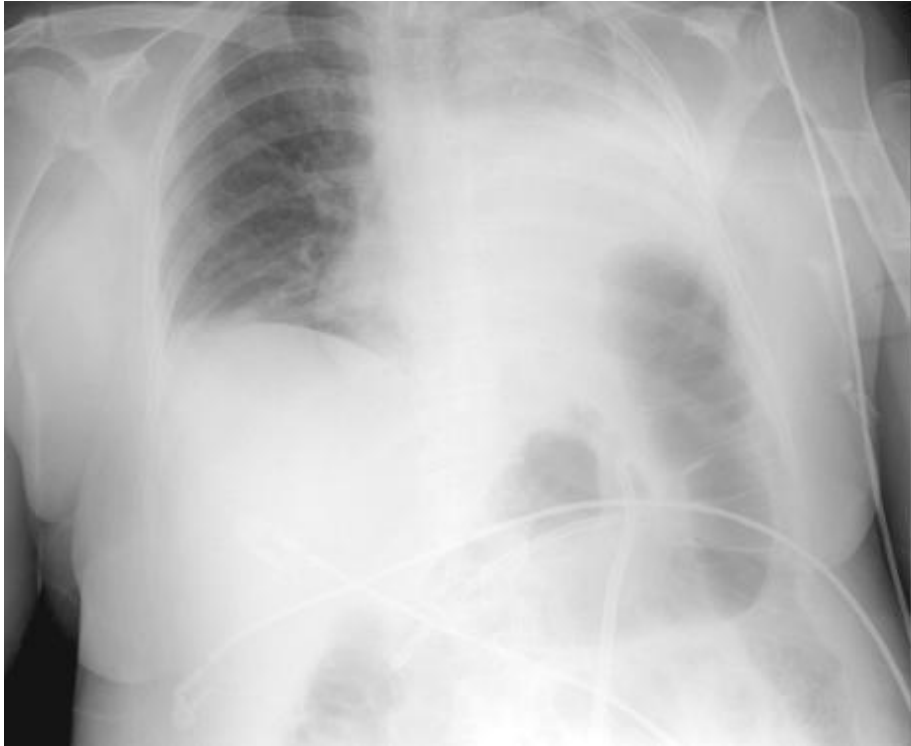
Tracheal suctioning



J Sancho et al, AJPMR 2003

WARNING: tracheal suctioning can damage tracheal wall

In-exsufflation through Tracheostomy



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Hospitalization cause

- Total number of patients admitted: 19 (50%)
Total admissions: 31

Causes

Respiratory infection: 58% of the admissions (35% pneumonia).

58% of the patients were colonized by pseudomonas

Psychiatric evaluation / treatment: 6 patients

Trache problems: 2 patients

Miscellaneous: cranial trauma, gastroenteritis, hypokalemia

Causas de muerte

- **Total de muertes:** 8 (de 38 enfermos)
- **Causas**
 - Muerte súbita: 4
 - Retirada de ventilación: 1
 - Abdomen agudo atendido por SAMU: 1
 - Parada cardíaca en insuficiencia cardíaca aguda, atendido por MC: 1
 - Infección respiratoria con rechazo a hospitalización: 1

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**En la literatura, las infecciones respiratorias
son la causa del 45% de las muertes**

Supervivencia al año 20-65%

Stephen Hawking

Stephen Hawking tells how doctors offered to turn off life support in 1985

Physicist says first wife refused to end his life when he became seriously ill and he recovered to complete *A Brief History of Time*

“ I was in Geneva at CERN, the great particle acceleration centre, in the summer of 1985.

“ ... I caught pneumonia and I was admitted to hospital. At the hospital in Geneva, my wife was advised that starting mechanical ventilation would not be worthwhile.

“ But she did not agree at all. I was taken to Addenbrooke’s hospital back in Cambridge, and there a surgeon named Roger Grey performed a tracheotomy. That operation saved my life.

Stephen Hawking, Autobiography.



Conclusions I

- Current practice in certain countries favour THMV while in others tends to be discouraged
- Tracheostomy HMV in ALS increases survival
- HRQoL in ALS under Tracheostomy HMV is not worse than ALS controls (with or without NIV)
- The decision-making process regarding tracheostomy with invasive ventilation (TIV) is of great complexity
- Every patient must make an informed decision about Tracheostomy HMV (signing advanced directives)

Conclusions II

- Healthcare professionals should not to facilitate the choice of THMV, but rather facilitate the decision-making process on the basis of patient autonomy.
- Maintaining an effective method of communication is a primary requirement for achieving a reasonable QoL in ALS patients using THMV

Tracheostomy is not the “

THE BEGINNING OF THE END

TRAILER

HD



AVAILABLE NOW

" Look up at the stars and not down at your feet "

Professor
Stephen Hawking
1942-2018

