

Cystic Fibrosis— What's New for the Anesthesiologist?



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Objectives

- Describe the changing epidemiology for patients with cystic fibrosis.
- Review the pathophysiologic changes associated with cystic fibrosis.
- Discuss the vital components of the preoperative evaluation for patients with cystic fibrosis.

Diagnosis by Clinical Triad

- Elevated Sweat Chloride
- Pancreatic Insufficiency
- Chronic Pulmonary Disease

Diagnosis by Mutation Analysis

- F508del
- Class 1-3 pancreatic insufficiency
- Class 4-5 pancreatic sufficiency

Diagnosis by Sweat Test

Sweat Test

- Pilocarpine iontophoresis
- >60 meq/L chloride
- Inaccurate in first month of life
- Other causes of elevated sweat chloride
 - Untreated hypothyroidism
 - Glycogen storage disease
 - Addison's disease
 - Ectodermal dysplasia

Atypical CF Diagnosis

- Often occurs in adolescence
- PMH in retrospect of CF-like symptoms
- Lung, sinus, liver, male infertility

Diagnosis by Mutation Analysis

- One identifiable mutation plus intron modifier
- Frequently Class 4-5 pancreatic sufficiency



Cystic Fibrosis Transmembrane Conductance Regulator (CFTR)

- Primary Function
 Chloride Channel
- Secondary Function
 Regulates ENaC, the sodium channel



Genetics

- 1:2-4000 Caucasians, carrier rate 1:28
- 1:9200 Hispanics
- 1:15,000 African Americans, carrier rate 1:60
- 1:31,000 Asians
- Gene is on chromosome 7, CFTR, most common mutation is ∆F508
- cAMP-regulated chloride channel, a nucleotide transporter, ion channel regulator

Clinical Manifestations of CF

Respiratory

- Chronic cough and bronchitis
- Bronchiectasis
- Recurrent pneumonia (staph aureus, pseudomonas aeruginosa)
- Chronic sinusitis, nasal polyps
- Hemoptysis, pneumothorax
- Chronic airways obstruction, irreversible





Controlling Pseudomonas Aeruginosa Infection: Lessons learned from the Cystic Fibrosis Patient



Disorders affecting the airways with similar characteristics to CF or infections with Pseudomonas Aeruginosa

- Pan-bronchiolitis
- Chronic bronchitis
- Idiopathic bronchiectasis
- IgA, IgG, IgG subclass deficiencies
- COPD
- Patients with tracheostomy tubes

Progressive Lung Disease in Patients With Cystic Fibrosis

- Chronic cough
- Sputum production
- Wheezing
- Obstructive lung disease
- Persistent radiographic abnormalities
 - Hyperinflation
- Atelectasis
- Bronchiectasis
- Chronic infection with bacterial (and other) opportunistic pathogens











Airway Clearance Techniques

Active Techniques

- Forced expiratory technique ("huff maneuver")
- Autogenic drainage
- Positive expiratory pressure mask
- Oral airway oscillators

Passive Techniques

- High-frequency chest wall oscillator ("vest")
- Intrapulmonary percussor ventilator

Progression of CF lung infections

- Bacterial endobronchial colonization
- Intense inflammatory reaction
- Obstructive lung disease with superimposed pulmonary exacerbations
 - Increased cough, sputum, dyspnea, declining PFTs
 - Weight loss, fatigue, rarely fever
- Intermittent courses of antibiotics
 - Oral, inhaled, intravenous
 - Airway clearance, bronchodilators, antiinflammatories

CF Gastrointestinal Disease

- Meconium ileus, meconium peritonitis
- Small bowel atresia
- DIOS, intussusception
- Pancreatic insufficiency, malabsorption
- Hepatic cirrhosis, portal hypertension,
- Neonatal direct hyperbilirubinemia,
- gall bladder obstruction
- Rectal prolapse
- Edema, hypoalbuminemia, hypovitaminosis A,K,E

Pancreatic Disease

- Reduced volumes and bicarbonate content of pancreatic fluid
- If residual pancreatic function, prone to recurrent pancreatitis
- CF-related diabetes
 - 3% of children, 7% of age 11-17
 - 14% of adults
 - Blockage of islets leads to reduction of both insulin and glucagon, so ketacidosis is rare
 - Stresses like pregnancy, corticosteroids, pulmonary exacerbation, can trigger hyperglycemia requiring therapy

Hepatobiliary Disease

- Eosinophilic concretions in bile ducts
- High incidence of gall bladder disease, gall stones, microgallbladder
- Cirrhosis
 - **3**%
 - Portal hypertension, splenomegaly, esophageal varices

Effects of General Anesthesia on Pulmonary Function and Clinical Status in Children with CF

- Common surgical procedures in CF
 - Bronchoscopy with lavage (surveillance and clinical indications), nasal polypectomy, venous access procedures
 - Additional indications: thoracoscopy, FESS, lung/liver TX, intraoperative CPT*
- Assessment of lung function key to predicting morbidity
 - 1964, 27% perioperative mortality
 - Mid 1980's, 4.5% perioperative mortality
 - Older studies used anesthetics that affected postoperative lung function
 - Australian study 2013—use of LMA, use of anesthetics with bronchodilator properties (sevofluorane, propofolon spirometry 24 hrs post procedure* annenbaum et al, Pediatric Pulmonology 42:1152–1158 (2007) Pandit et al, Pediatric Anesthesia 24 (2014) 164-169

Preoperative Evaluation of the Patient with Cystic Fibrosis

- Parental assessment of presence of acute illness, malaise, dyspnea, weight loss, fever, increased sputum, night cough, diabetes
- Physical Exam: presence of wheezing
- Oropharyngeal or sputum microbiology
- obstructive sleep apnea, GER
- Oxygen saturation at rest
- Capnography
- Review recent chest radiograph if available
- Review medications: corticosteroids, antibiotics

Diagnosis by CFTR Genotyping

- Greater than 1800 different mutations in CFTR
 - Common mutations in USA: F508del, G542X
 - Mutations in China: I556V, M469V, E527N, F508del
- Conventional commercial genotyping
 - Genzyme: 86 mutations
 - Ambry: all coding mutations
 - Many cases are either one or two unknowns at this time

Class of mutation	Molecular Mechanism	Pancreatic status (if known)	Examples
	No CFTR protein synthesis	PI	W1282X, G542X, R553X, 621+1G→T, 1717-1G→A, 3905insT, 394deITT
	Abnormal CFTR processing and trafficking	PI	∆F508, N1303K, P574H
	Defective CFTR regulation (normal trafficking)	PI	G551D, G551S, G1349D, S1255P
	Decreased CFTR chloride PS conductance	R117H, R334W, R347P, P547H	
	Reduced synthesis and trafficking of normal CFTR	PS	A455E, 3849+10kbC→T (5T)
6A	Reduced apical stability	PI	S1455X, Q1412S, 4326deITC, 4279insA
6B	Defective regulation of other ion channels	PI	G551D

High Sweat Chloride	Dietary Salt*			
Thick Airway Mucous	Chest Physiotherapy /Dnase*			
Chronic Lung Infections	Antibiotics*			
Inflammation	Anti-Inflammatories*			
Respiratory Failure	Lung Transplant*			
Pancreatic Insufficiency	Pancreatic Enzymes*			
Meconium Ileus	PEG, stool softeners			
Islet Cell Loss	Insulin*			
Male Infertility, CBAVD	In Vitro			
Biliary tract insufficiency	Bile acid salts			

Treatments for CF











Advances since 2012: CFTR Modulator Therapies

- Ivacaftor, Kalydeco®, approved by FDA 2012 for G551D CFTR a gating mutation Class III.
- Lumacaftor, a corrector of F508del trafficking defect, alone, insignificant benefit, together with invacaftor under Phase III clinical trials now.
- PTC-124, restores normal CFTR to stop codon mutants, very effective in the short term in Israel and Belgium, in Phase III multicenter clinical trial and open label extension phases



F508del

- 44% of CF patients are homozygous
- 45% of CF patients are heterozygous
- 11% of CF patients do not have \triangle F508
- △F508 accounts for 70% of Northern European, 50% Southern European, 46% Hispanic, 30% Ashkenazi, 48% African American, < 5% Native American chromosomes





















Drug	Estimated Annual Cost, \$	Disease	Estimated prevalence in US
Small molecules			
Kalydeco'** (Ivacaftor)	294,000*	Cystic Fibrosis, G551D- CFTR	1200°
Zavesca* (miglustat)	128,000**	Gaucher Disease Type I	4000 ^b
Remodulin* (treprostinil)	120,000***	Pulmonary arterial hypertension	175,000 ^r
Flolan* (epoprostenol)	100,000***	Pulmonary arterial hypertension	175,000
Biologics			
Soliris* (Eculizumab)	409,500****	Paroxysymal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria	8000 ****
Elaprase* (Idrsulfase)	375,000****	Hunter syndrome	500****
Naglazyme* (Galsulfase)	365,000****	Maroteaux-Lamy syndrome (Mucopolysaccharidosis VI)	50 - 300 ****
Cinryze* (C1 Esterase Inhibitor [Human])	350,000****	Hereditary Angioedema	6200 ⁴

Some thoughts on Costs

- Ivacaftor is not a cure, required lifelong
- Orphan Drug designation incentivized development, CFF and fundraisers enabled it as well, yet price astronomical
- Ivacaftor being studied in other conditions, even cigarette smoking, incr. potential
- Combinations with Ivacaftor likely to be equally costly for the lifetime of a patient
- Not the most expensive orphan drug, but will need additional combinations which if priced equivalently cannot be sustained.

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