

NONINVASIVE VENTILATION CONFERENCE

Workshop: Clinical Cases: complex OSA

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- Born at term LSCS
- Antenatally diagnosed pericardial effusion
- Presented to local hospital collapsed needing CPR and intubation

- Dilated cardiomyopathy with severe BV dysfunction
- Multiple small apical VSDs

- PA banding, PDA ligation May 2012 (aged 2 months)

- Discharged with diuretics / ACE inhibitors after 3 weeks

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- Re-admitted to RBH in August 2012 with cardiac failure
- Left lower lobe collapse only responding to invasive ventilation
- Tracheostomy for long-term ventilation September 2012
- Listed for transplant

- Cardiac transplant Nov 2012 (aged 8 months)

- Discharged early 2013 with usual immunosuppression (Tacrolimus, MMF)

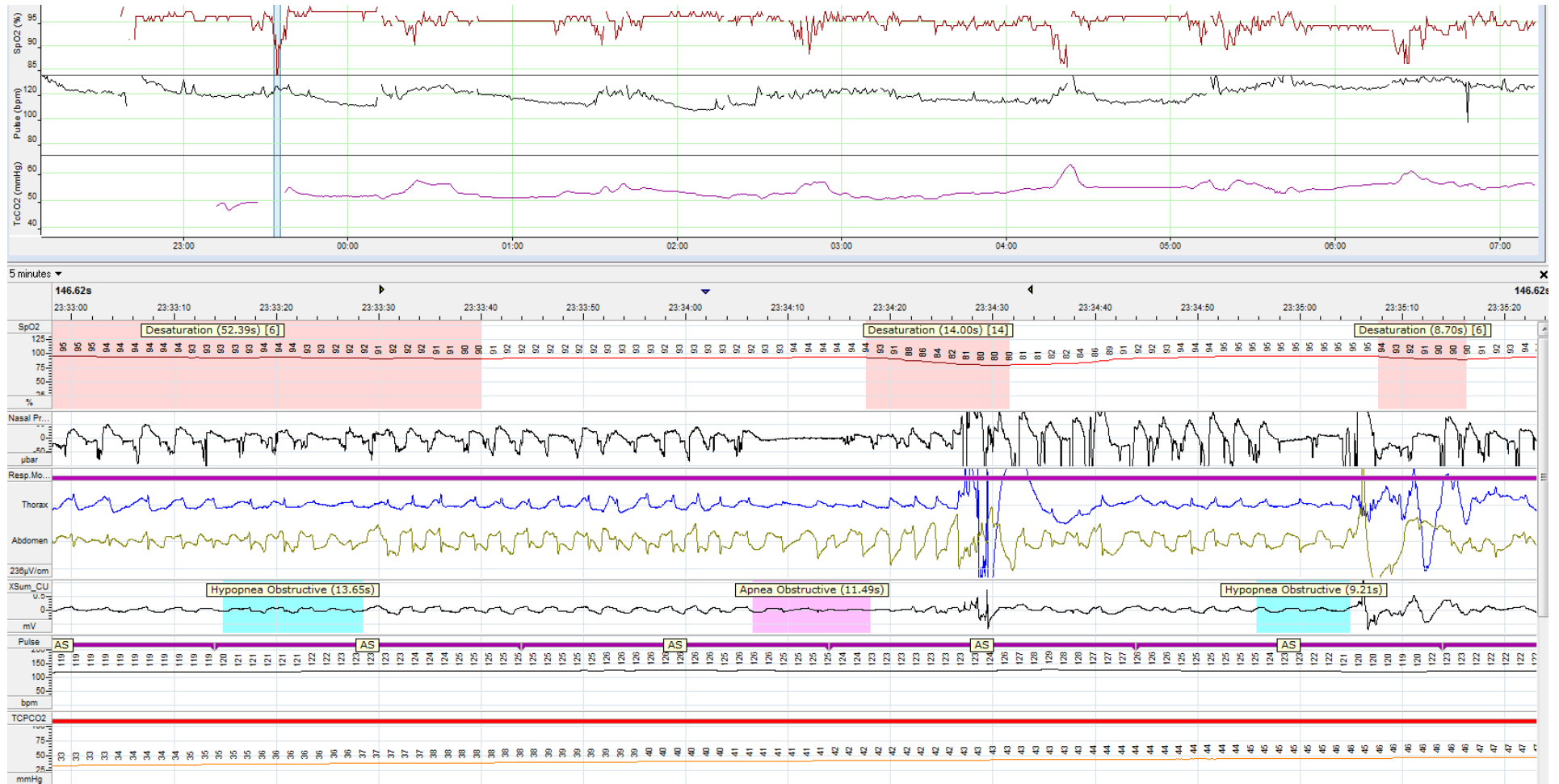
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First study July 2013



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- Clinical evidence of obstruction
- Moderate OSA with OAH1 8ev/hr
- ODI 18 dips/hour to a nadir of 81%
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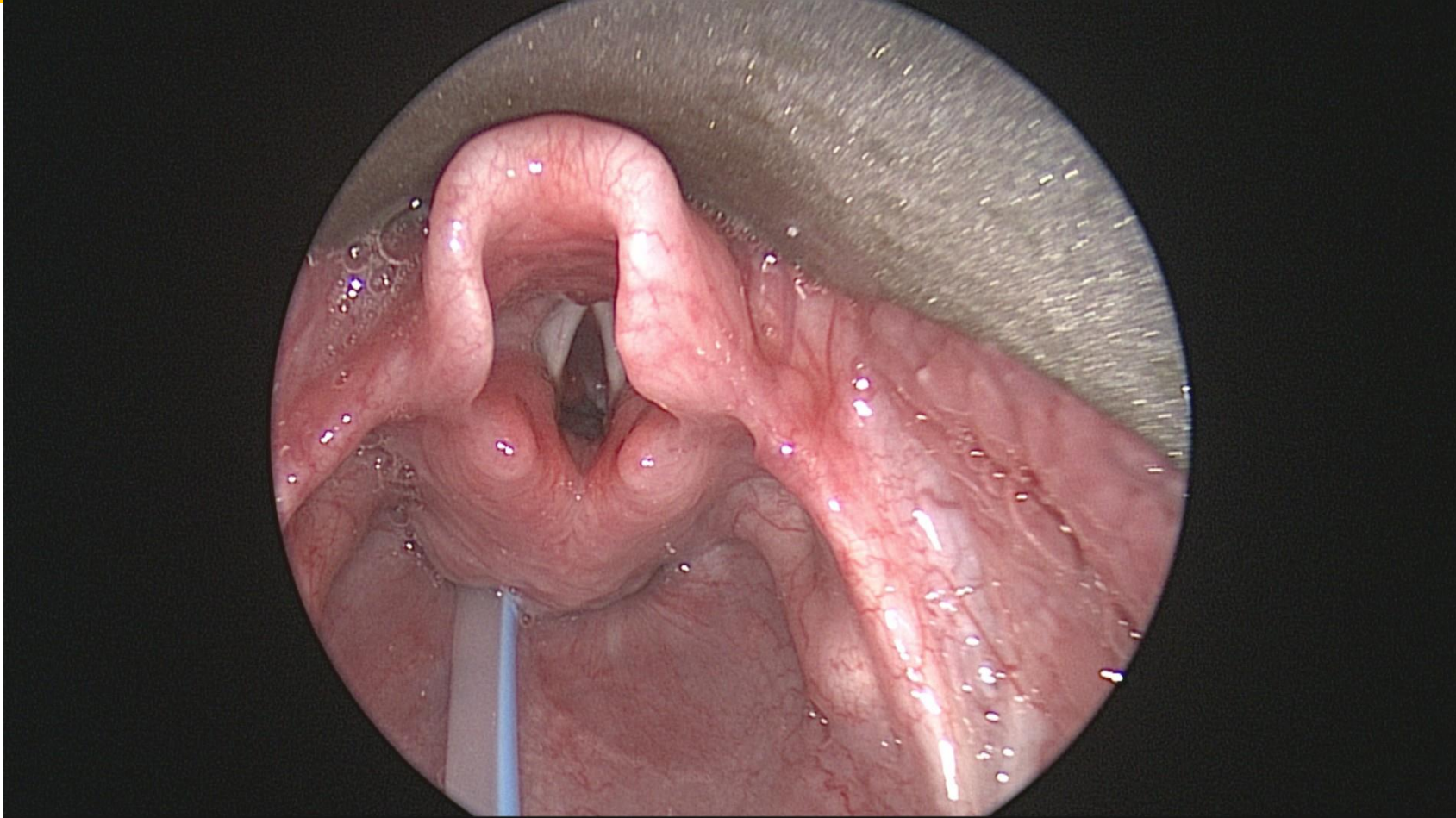
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Mild laryngomalacia – mild subglottic granulomatous tissue
No intervention required

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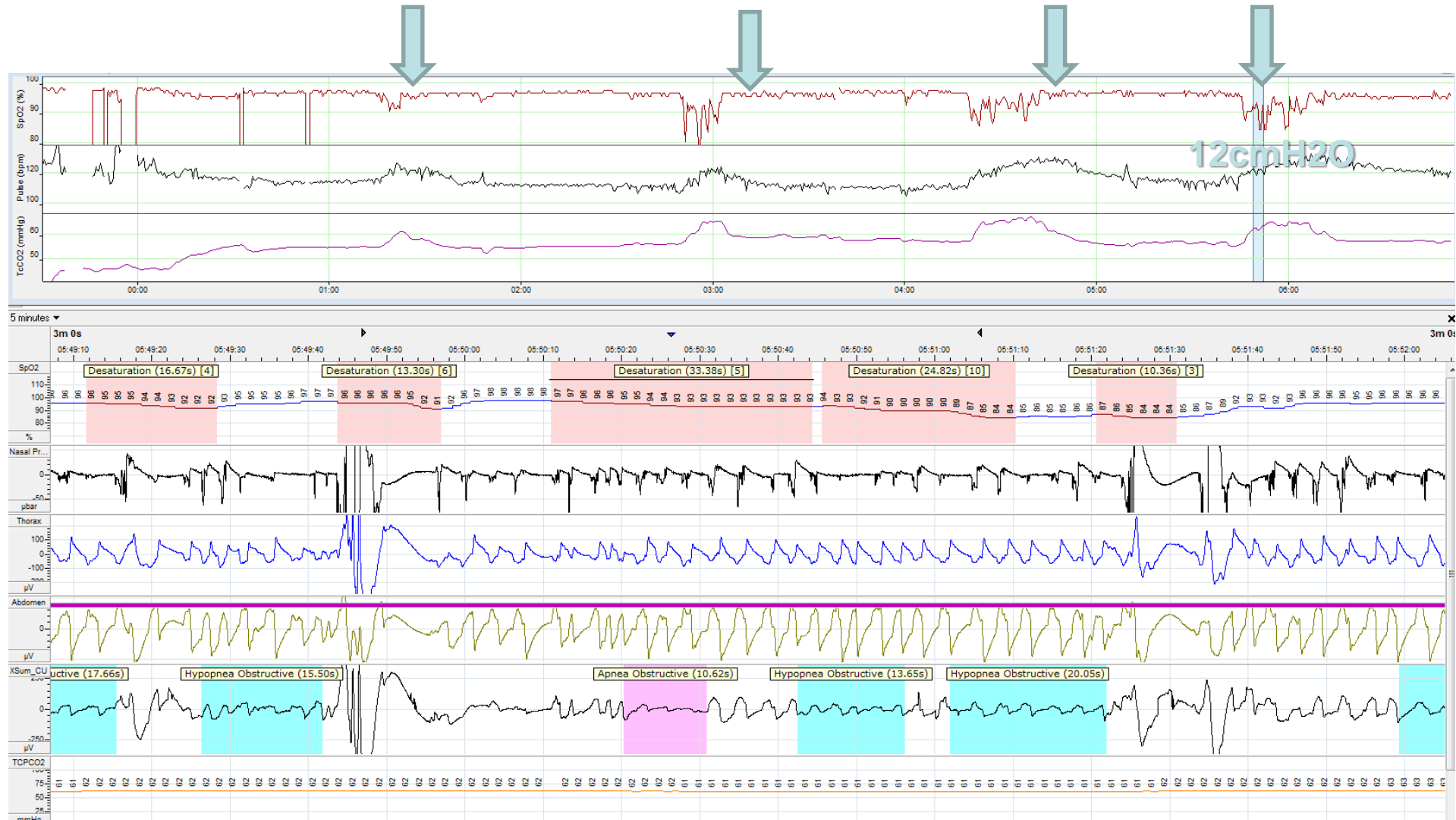
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Rationale for clinical decision

1. The OSA is clearly the reason for the hypoventilation (obstructive hypoventilation) and there is a good chance that the hypoventilation will disappear if OSA is abolished – CPAP should be tried first
2. Tracheostomy would only be a last resort after NIV has been shown to fail

Follow up SS - CPAP trial (3 months later)



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- Sleep study on CPAP titrated up to 12cmH₂O
- Clinical evidence of obstruction persist even on high pressure
- Moderate to severe OSA persist with OAH1 10ev/hr
- ODI 16 dips/hour to a nadir of 80%
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1. Despite a first night of titration up to 12cmH₂O OSA was not affected and was even worse than on diagnostic study - there is no benefit in increasing pressure further
2. BiPAP works for refractory OSA not responding to CPAP - the extra inspiratory pressure (IPAP) can force open reluctant obstruction
3. You don't have to start with same CPAP as where you finished your titration on CPAP (i.e. 12cmH₂O) - the benefit of adding IPAP means a lower CPAP can be tried
4. A differential of at least 6cmH₂O between the two pressures is necessary to benefit from the IPAP effect
5. Tracheostomy will only be a last resort after BiPAP has been shown to fail

?Trial of BiPAP

Physiologists attempted to fit the interface numerous times throughout the night but Jakob would become increasingly distressed and would not allow for the interface to be fitted numerous times throughout the night

Jacob has become intolerant to NIV and OSA very severe (OAH1 45/hr)!

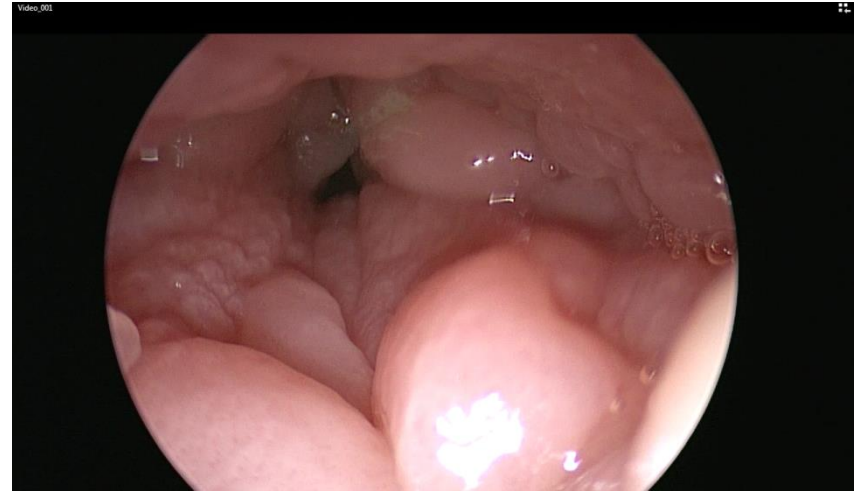
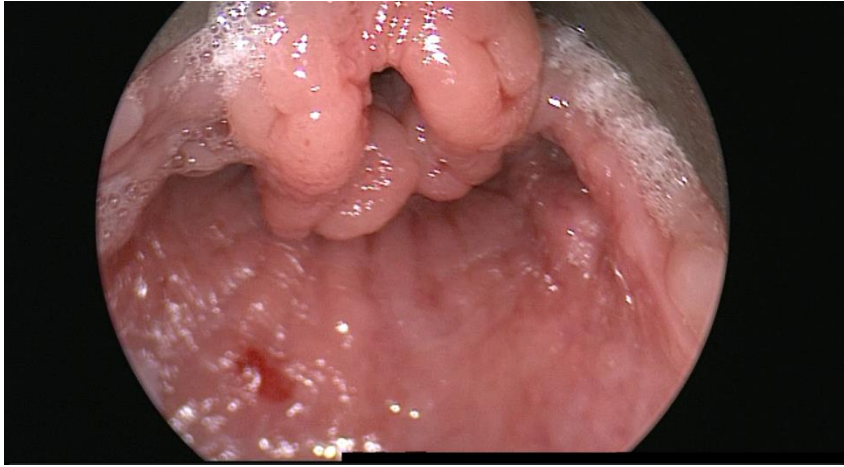


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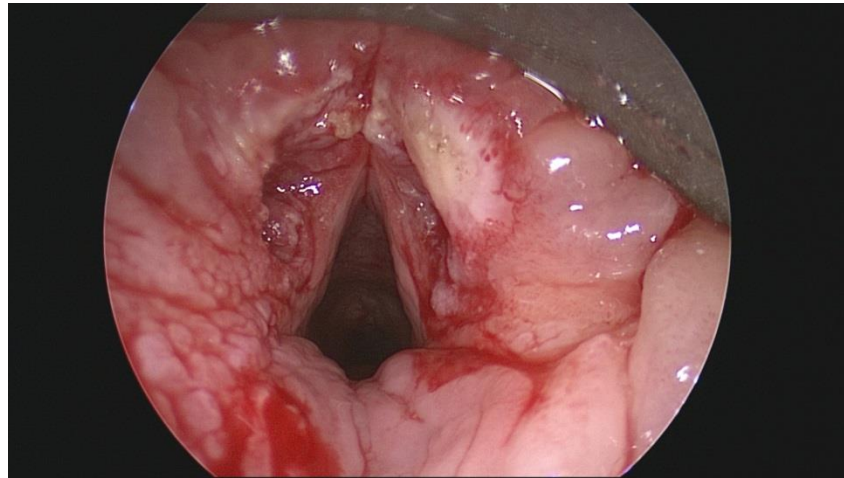
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Severe laryngeal papillomatosis with almost complete obstruction of glottis



View post surgical debriement

Learning points

- Never lose focus on the patient and the underlying condition rather than the ventilation alone.
- Progression in treatment modalities in refractory OSA
CPAP -> BiPAP -> Tracheostomy as a last resort
- Don't be afraid to reassess the aetiology of SDB in the face of challenges

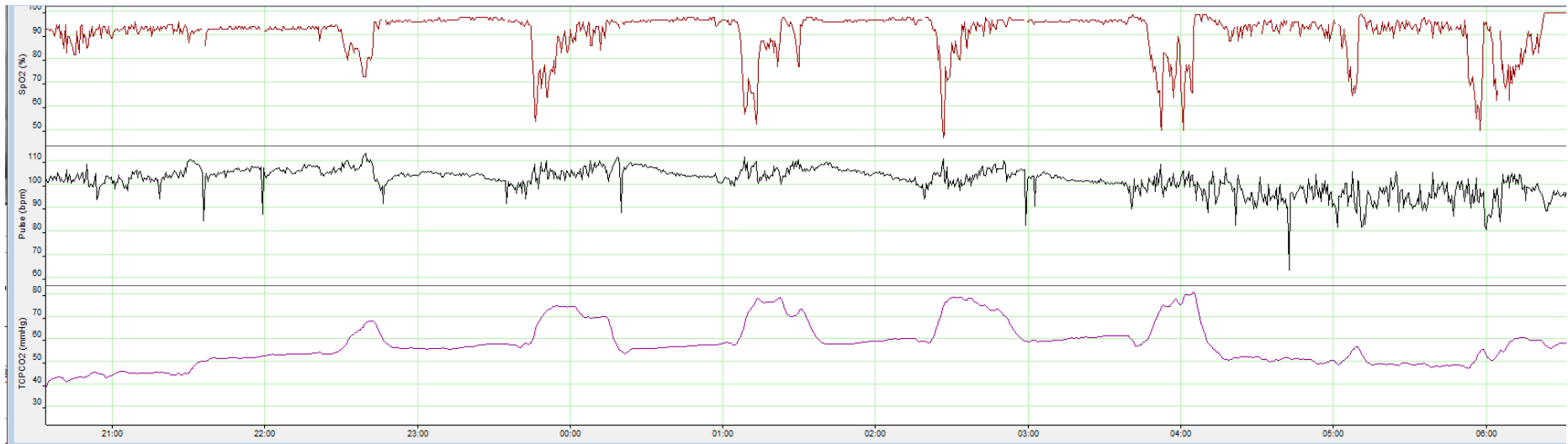


2 contrasting clinical cases with CP

LB

- 15 year old young man
 - X-linked hydrocephalus
 - CP (GMFCS V)
 - seizures,
 - GORD
 - PEG-fed
 - Adenotonsillectomy in 2015 (afterwards PICU admission)
 - scoliosis
 - snoring and daytime tiredness

Baseline sleep study: **severe obstructive hypoventilation**



- Mean SpO₂ 93%
- ODI 29 dips/hr (absolute nadir of 47%)
- Mean TcCO₂ 60mmHg (Max 80mmHg)
- Obstructive apnoea hypopnoea index = 21.7 events/hr (significantly raised)

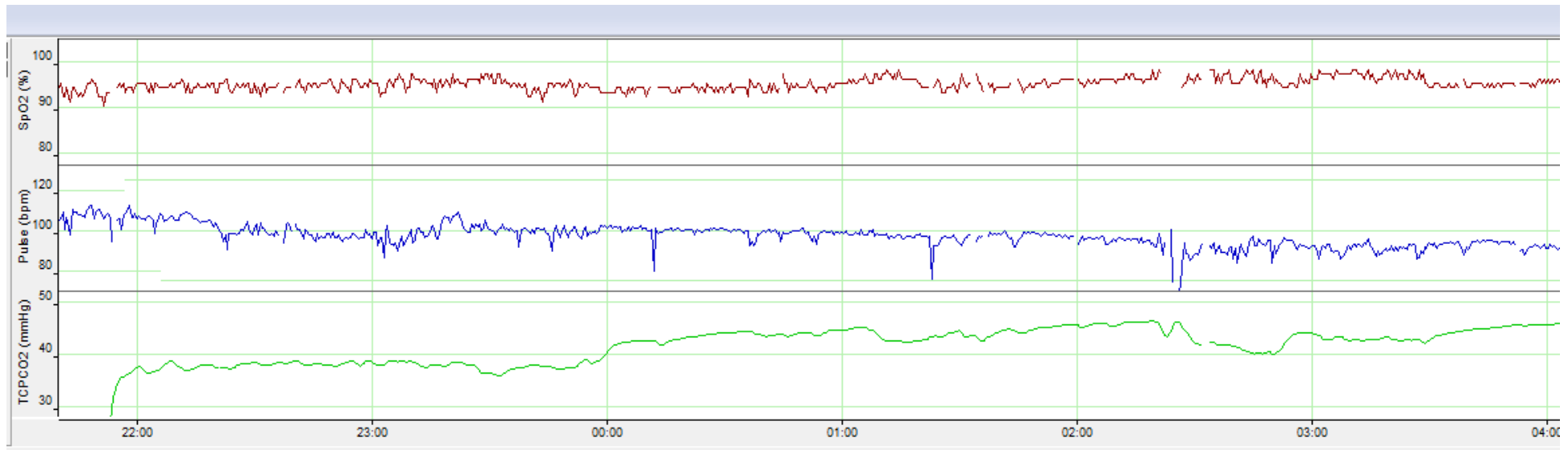
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Sleep study on nocturnal BiPAP



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- TcCO₂ normalised
- BiPAP obliterated obstructive episodes



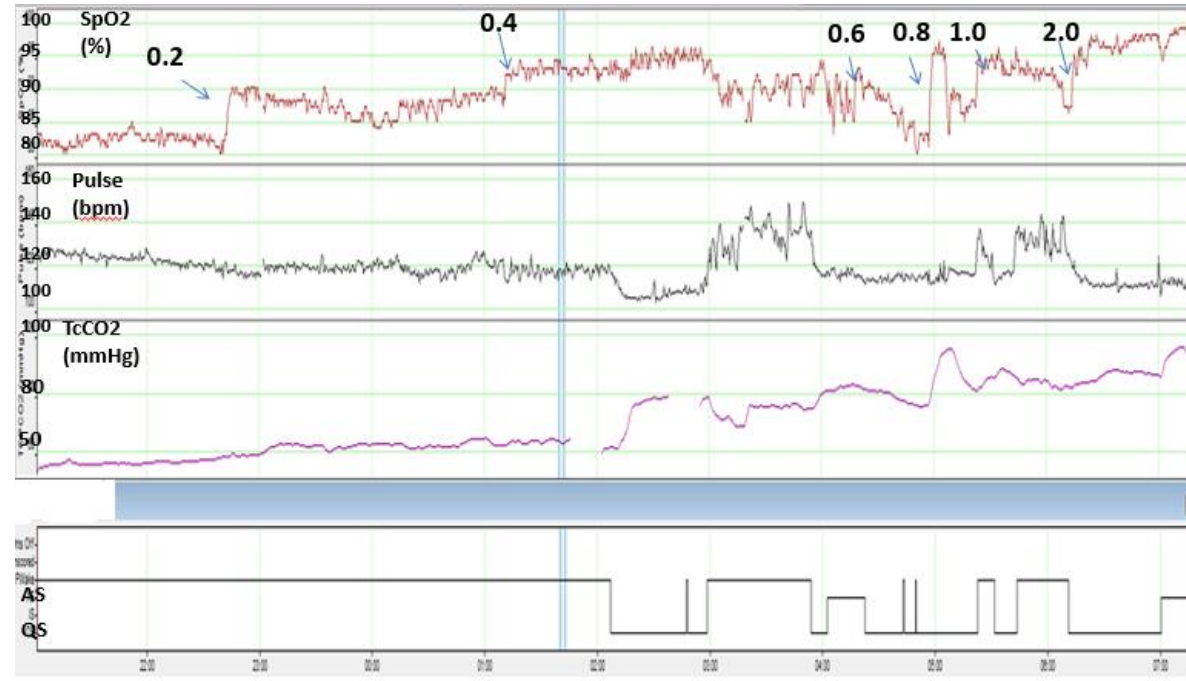
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- 11 yr old girl
 - Cerebral palsy (GMFCS level V)
 - Severe scoliosis
 - Seizure disorder (daily seizures)
 - Very severe neurodisability
 - Gastrostomy fed
- 3 PICU admissions (May 2016 LRTI)
- Only rarely needed oral antibiotics for chest infections
- Secretion management
- PEG fed
- Occasional vomits
- Referred for spinal pre-op assessment including sleep study



Baseline sleep study result:

- Increased WOB
- Moderate obstructive hypoventilation
- AHI 8.6evs/hr
- Worsening of hypoventilation in oxygen
- **In air:** mean SpO2 83-84%, TcCO2 7.4kPA
- **in 1.2L O2** mean SpO2 90%,TcCO2 12.5kPa



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Acute or chronic?

Antibiotics given for presumed respiratory infections

No acute changes on chest x-ray

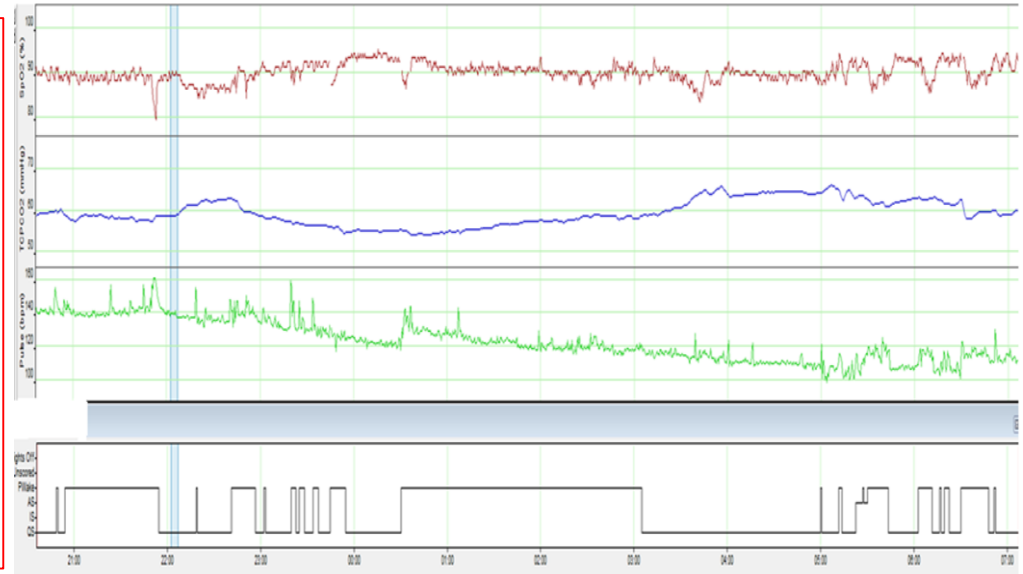
Nasopharyngeal prong unsuccessful

Pros and Cons of NIV discussed

Decision for BiPAP trial

BIPAP titration study:

- via Wisp (L) nasal mask
- Pressure 12/6 (16) to 16/8 (16)
- AHI 3.8 evs/hr (OAHI 0, UnAHI 3.8)
- SpO₂ 91% to nadir 83%
- Mean TcCO₂ 7.8kPA



Mother completed training to use NIV ventilator
Plan for discharge and follow up

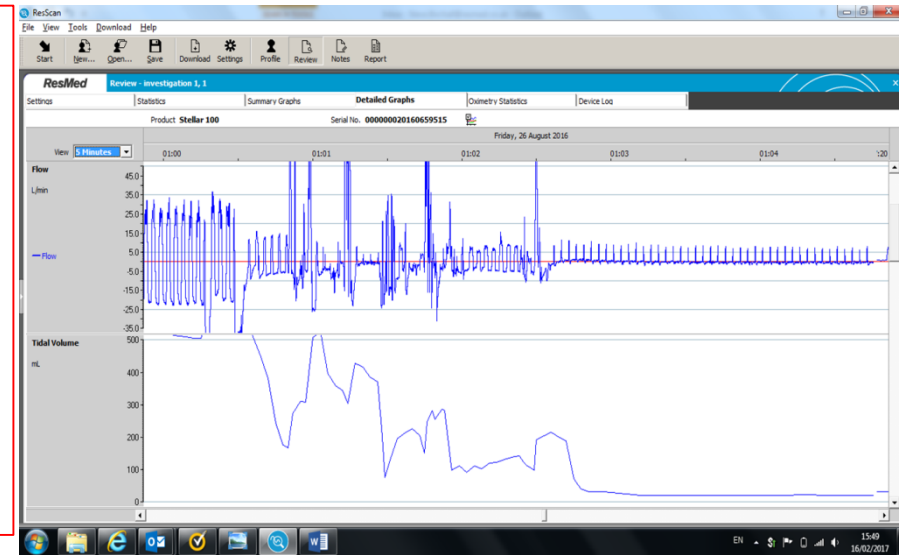
**< 24 hours of discharge:
Found dead in her bed at home first night after discharge**

Inquest

- PM inconclusive
- Ventilator download

Cause of death:

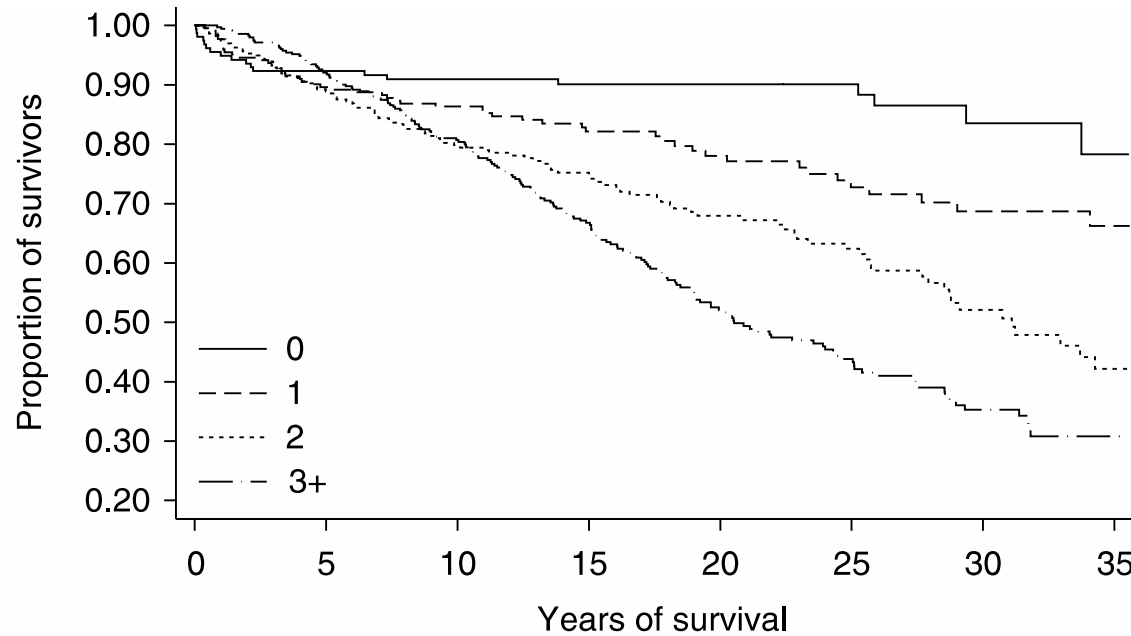
1. Epilepsy
2. Cerebral palsy



Lessons learnt

- Parental perception:
 - Parents perceived NIV being the cause of death
- In particular, in severe CP with multiple comorbidities:
 - Safety issue
 - Risk in altering previously adapted chronic hypoventilation
 - ?Goal post for effectiveness

Survival of patients with CP (GMFSC IV-V)



Number at risk

0	156	144	121	96	68	53	27	12
1	222	199	164	123	89	61	44	23
2	297	264	199	145	100	70	40	16
3+	352	324	267	186	118	77	43	18

Increased risk for dying during sleep?

- Single centre study (1993-2011)
- 177 patients who died during this period
- 19 were “discovered dead during sleep” at home
- Average age was 17 years and 6 months (range 6 – 25 years)

- Patient characteristics:
 - 19/19 had gastrostomy, epilepsy, non-ambulatory (GMFSC IV-V)
 - 11/ 19 had severe mental retardation
 - 19/ 19 had more than one respiratory co-morbidity
 - 14/19 had respiratory failure
 - 16/19 had nocturnal respiratory failure

Combination of aspiration risk, chronic lung disease, SDB and epilepsy that makes these patients vulnerable at night

Thank you for you attention
Any questions?

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