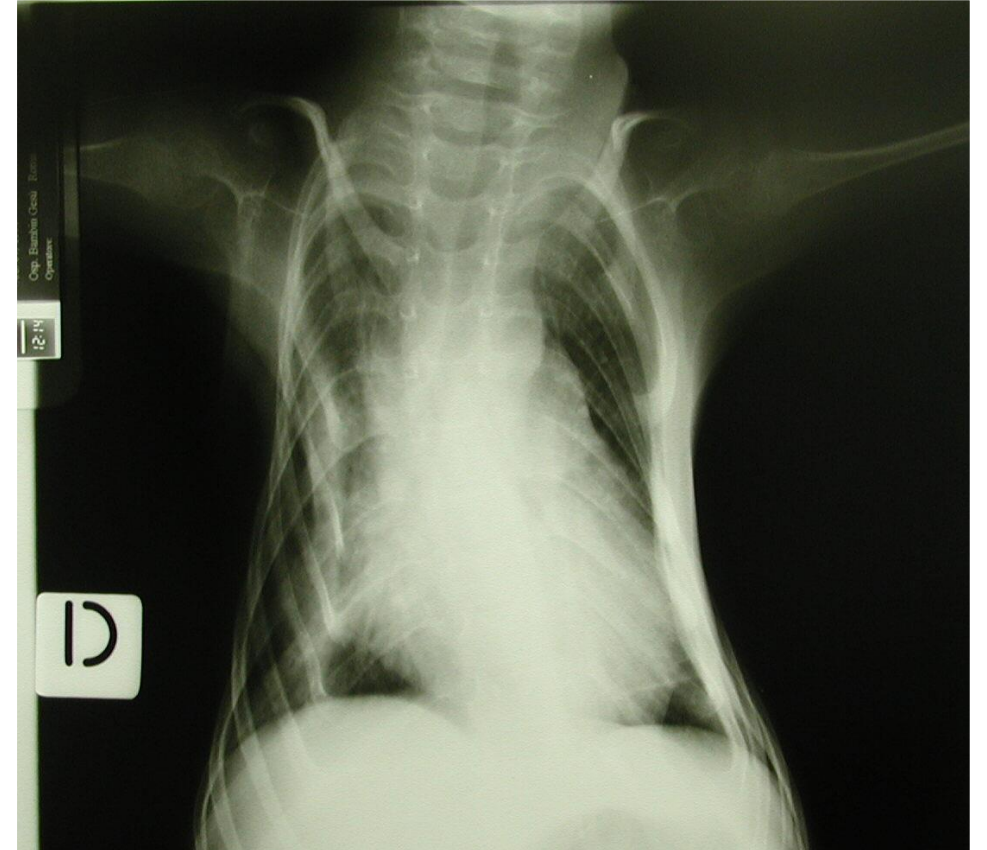


SMA type 1

- Female
- 3 months, weight 4.5 kg, height 51 cm
- In last month failure to thrive
- Feeding difficulties
- Suspected swallowing abnormalities

- **Paradoxical breathing**
- **Global hypotonia, no head/neck control**
- **No deep tendon reflexes**
- **Tongue fasciculations**

- **SpO₂ 96 % in Room Air; HR 150 bpm; RR 25 b/m**



Workshop report

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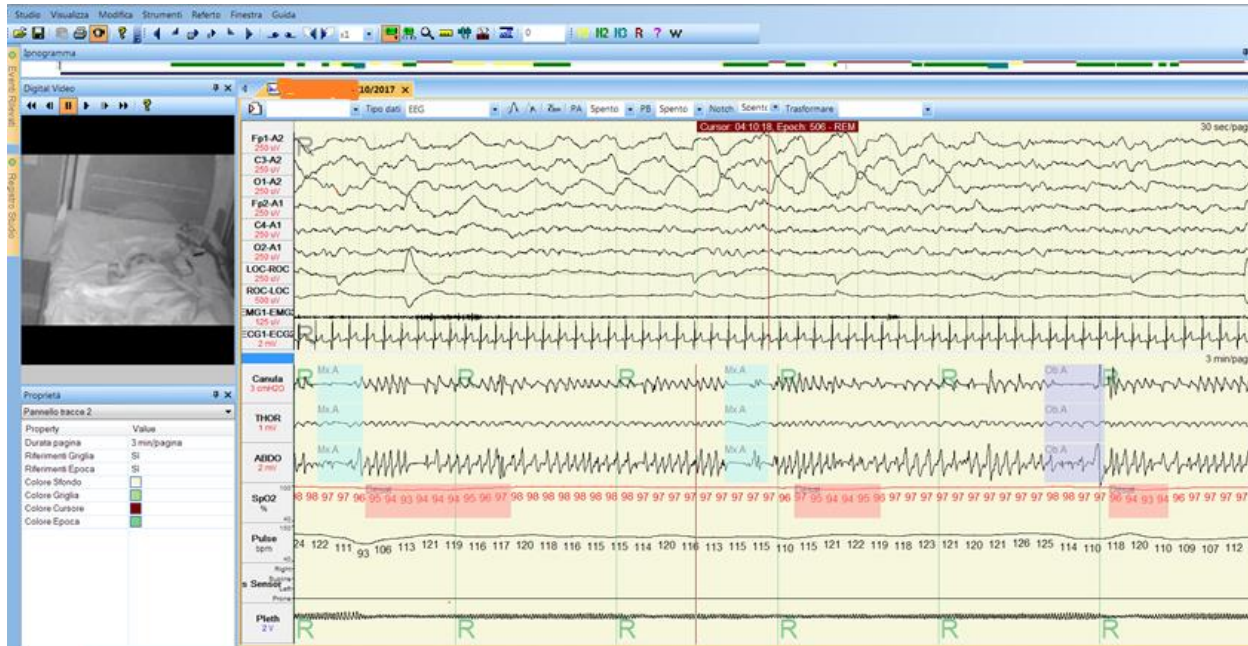
Summary of recent criteria for sub-classification in the different SMA types, with reference to prognosis and relation to SMN2 copy numbers.

SMA type	Age at onset	Maximum function achieved	Sub-classification	Prognosis	SMN2 copy number
0 (very severe)	Neonatal, prenatal signs	Never sits	–	If untreated: death by 1st month	
1 (severe)	0–6 months	Never sits, some never achieve head control	1a: onset in neonatal period, head control never achieved 1b: onset after neonatal period, usually by 3 months; head control never achieved 1c: onset usually after 3 months, head control achieved	If untreated death by 2 years, better response to treatment if onset after 3 months	1 or 2 SMN2 copies in most (80%) pts
2 (intermediate)	7–18 months	Sits, not stands	According to functional level, decimal classification ranging from 2.1 to 2.9	Survival into adulthood; possible respiratory problems	3 SMN2 copies in >80% pts
3 (mild)	>18 months	Stands and walks	3A: onset before 3 years; 3B: onset after 3 years	Survival into adulthood, walking can be lost in patients with earlier onset	3 or 4 SMN2 copies
4 (adult)	10–30 years	Stands and walks	–	Survival into adulthood, usually walking preserved	4 or more SMN2 copies

How do you assess gas exchanges at the first referral?

1. ABG analysis
2. Pulse - oximetry + blood gases analysis
3. Pulse - oximetry + tcPCO₂ monitoring
4. Pulse - oximetry + etPCO₂ monitoring
5. Full PSG/Poligraphy + tcPCO₂ monitoring

Full PSG + tcPCO2 monitoring- SMA 1



Total sleep time h	7.23
Sleep Efficiency (TST/T in bed)	82.4
REM %	29.7
N1%	1.6
N2%	49.9
N3%	18.5
Mean SaO2 (%)	96
Minimal SaO2 (%)	91
SaO2 <90% (%TST)	0,0
ODI (n.desat >4%/h)	2.1
AHI (n° /h)	12.5
Central Apnea Index	0,1
Periodic Breathing (% time)	9
mean tcCO2 (mmHg)	46
maximal tcCO2 (mmHg)	52
Time >50 mmHg(%TST)	11

ABG pH 7,47; pO₂ 65.5 mmHg; pCO₂ 32.2 mmHg ; SaO₂ 96.8%; EB – 0.8 mEq/l

Given the results what would you do?

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1. Wait and see
2. Start CPAP
3. Start NIV
4. Supply oxygen
5. Other

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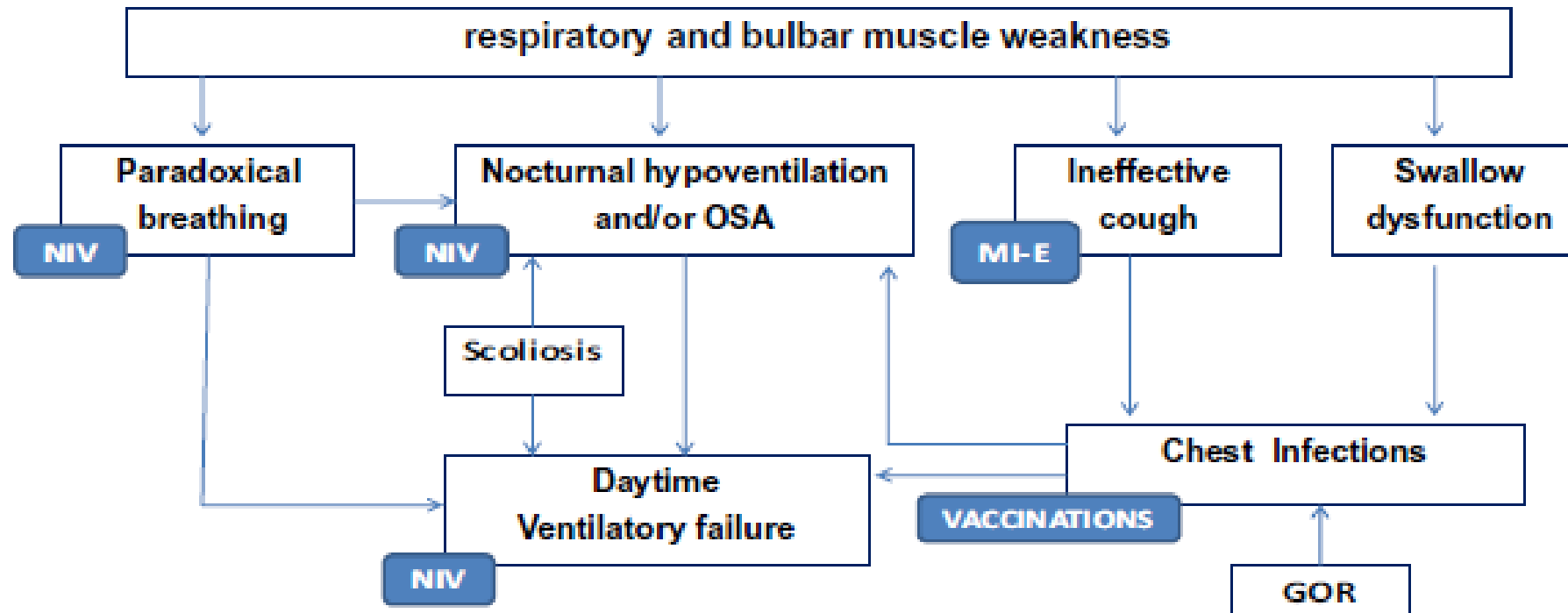


Fig. 1. Summary of pulmonary problems and respiratory interventions in spinal muscular atrophy.

Consensus Statement for Standard of Care in Spinal Muscular Atrophy

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- NIV with bilevel positive pressure support has been studied most frequently, although there is no evidence to suggest any 1 type of ventilator interface is superior
- In addition, the optimal settings for NIV have not been established
- In general, NIV settings are individualized to achieve adequate inspiratory chest wall expansion and air entry and normalization of oxygen saturation and end-tidal carbon dioxide or transcutaneous CO₂ measurements
- NIV should be combined with airway clearance techniques

WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

- Which ventilation mode? (PSV S/T, AVAPS, ACV)
- Which interface? (nasal, oro-nasal, full face masks)
- O₂ supplementation?



Training NIV- SMA 1

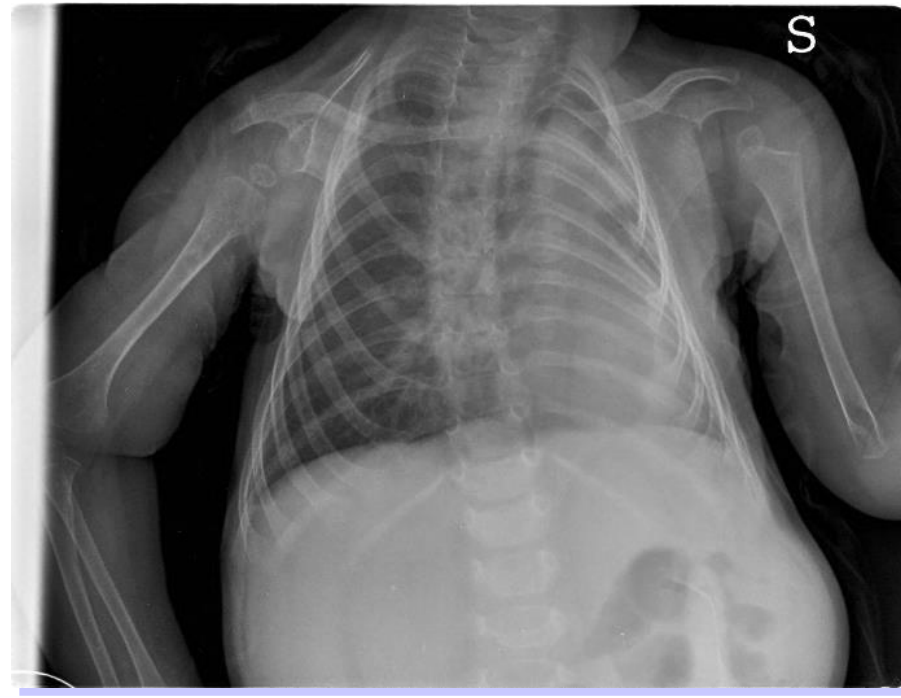
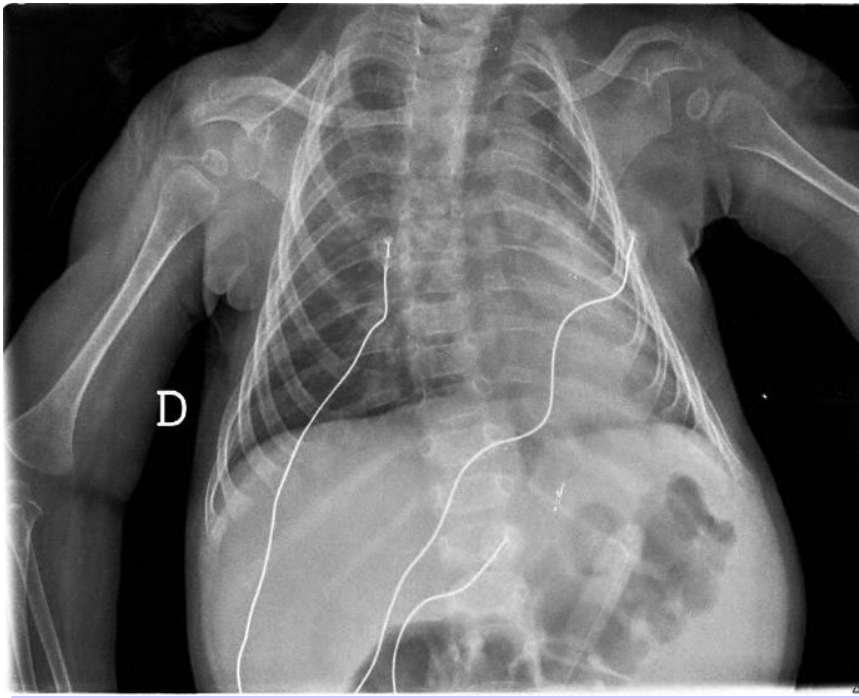
Ventilation mode: PSV ST + Vtg

EPAP [cmH ₂ O]	4
IPAP max [cmH ₂ O]	17
Vtg [ml]	50
Rise time	1
Trigger INSP	1
RR [b/m]	24
T insp min [sec]	0.8



Complications

- Desaturations, **SpO2 80%**, **HR 150 bpm**, **FR 50 b/m**
- Increased respiratory secretions
- ABG pH 7.28 pCO2 64 mmHg



Management of Acute Respiratory Failure

- Intensive chest physiotherapy and cough – machine assist
- Severe desaturations with needed manual respiratory assistance
- OTI
- Failed 3 extubation attempts
- tracheostomy + VMI
- PEG
- Switch to home ventilator



Invasive mechanical ventilation

Ventilation mode: PSV ST + Vtg

EPAP [cmH ₂ O]	5
IPAP max [cmH ₂ O]	17
Vtg [ml]	50
Raising time	1
Trigger INSP	1
RR [b/m]	22
T insp min [sec]	0.9



Contraindications to NIV and indication to IMV

Table 2 Contraindications to non-invasive and indication to invasive ventilation

Contraindications to non-invasive ventilation

Swallowing disorders

History of pulmonary aspiration secondary to gastroesophageal reflux and or vocal cord paralysis

Inability to tolerate non-invasive ventilation

Indication of invasive pressure ventilation

Failure to adequately ventilate with non-invasive ventilation

Failure to tolerate non-invasive ventilation

High level of dependence on assisted ventilation (16–20 h/day)

Tracheostomy and home ventilation in children

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Seminars in Neonatology (2003) 8, 127–135

Contraindications to NIV and indication to IMV

- Deterioration in patient's condition
- Failure to improve or deterioration in arterial blood gas tensions
- Development of new symptoms or complications such as pneumothorax, sputum retention, nasal bridge erosion
- Intolerance or failure of coordination with the ventilator
- Failure to alleviate symptoms
- Deteriorating conscious level
- Patient and carer wish to withdraw treatment

BTS GUIDELINE

Non-invasive ventilation in acute respiratory failure

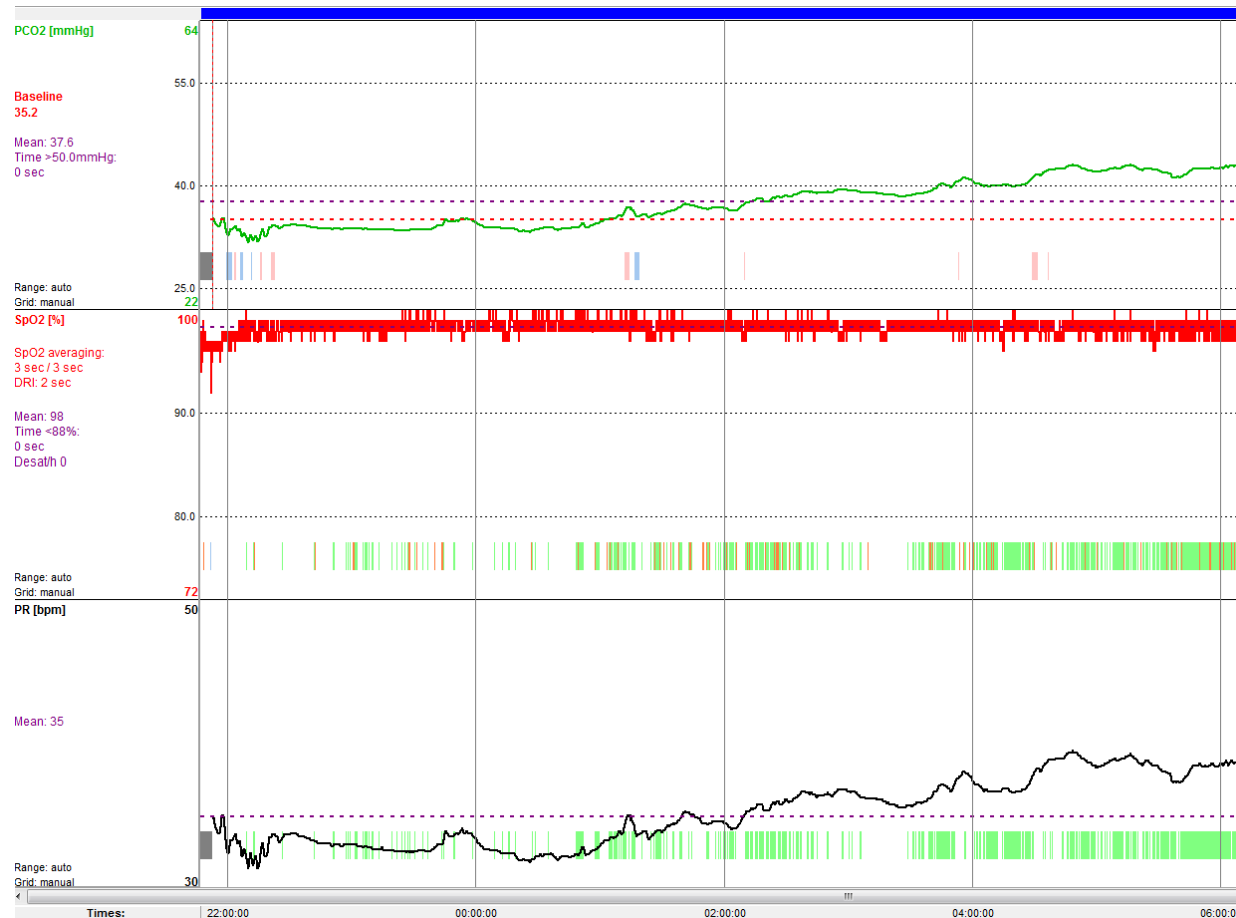
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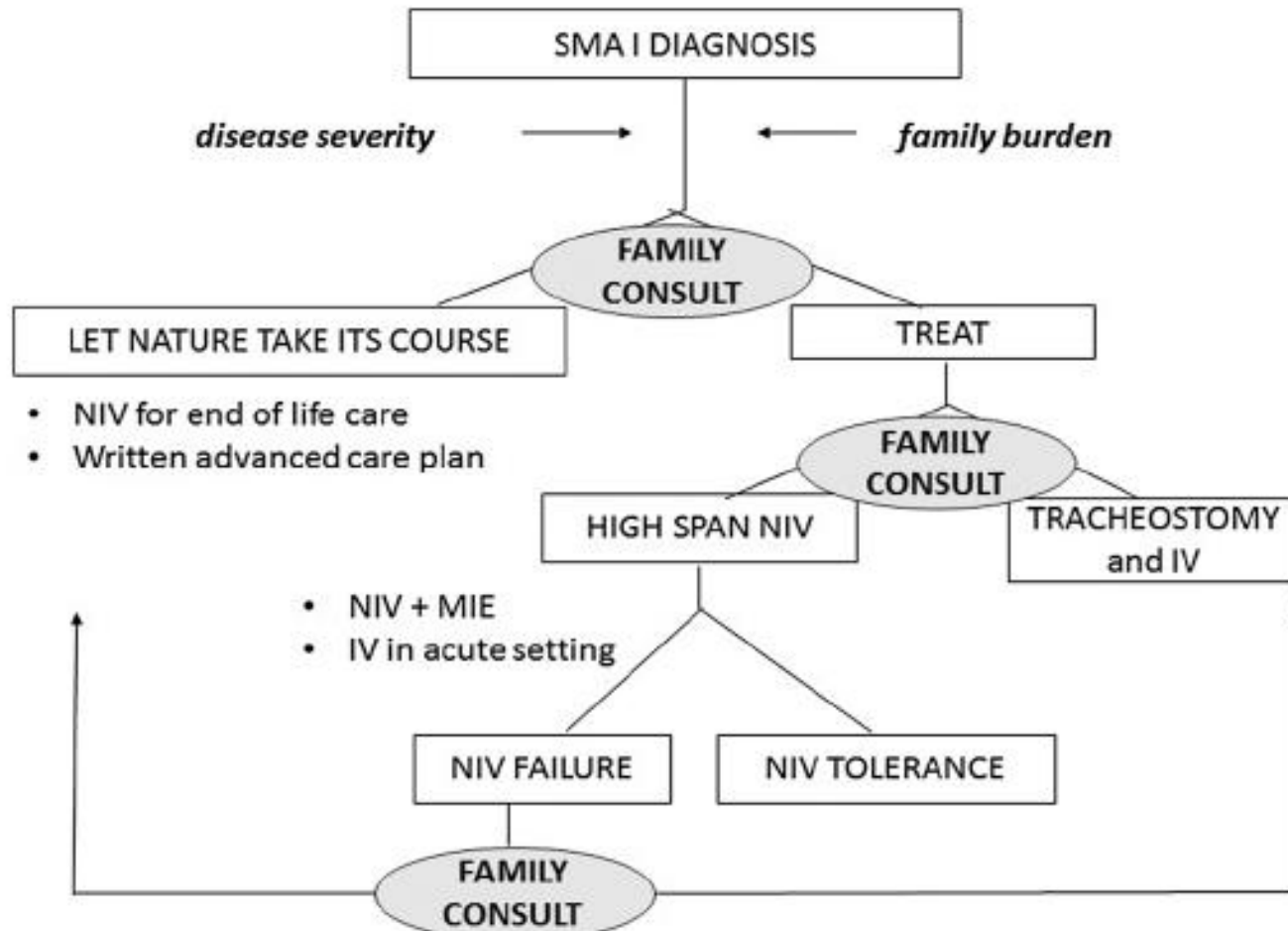


Pulse - oximetry + TcPCO₂ monitoring IMV



Mean SaO2 (%)	97
Minimal SaO2 (%)	92
SaO2 <90% (%TST)	0,0
ODI (n° desat >4%/h)	0,0
mean tcCO2 (mmHg)	37.6
maximal tcCO2 (mmHg)	43,3
Time >50 mmHg(%TST)	0,0

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CME ARTICLE

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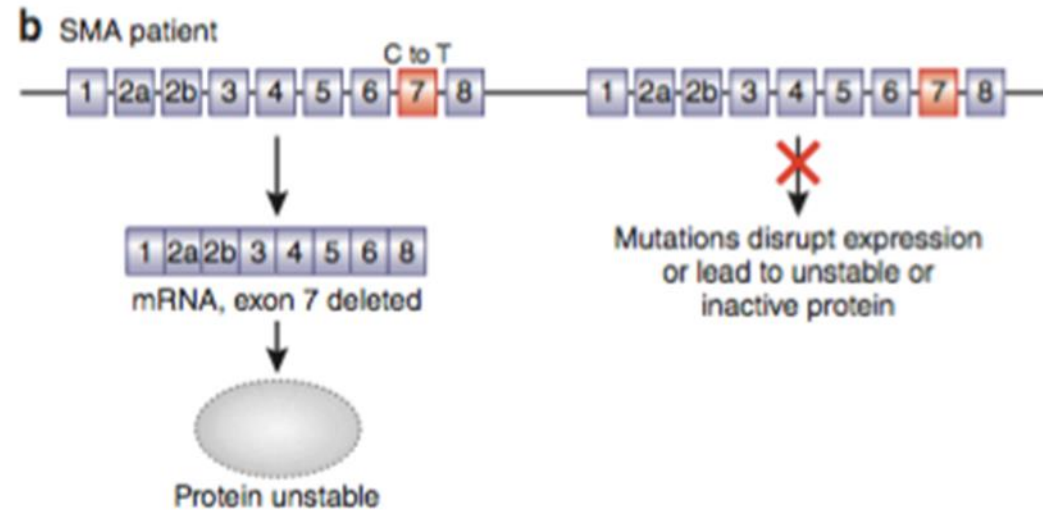
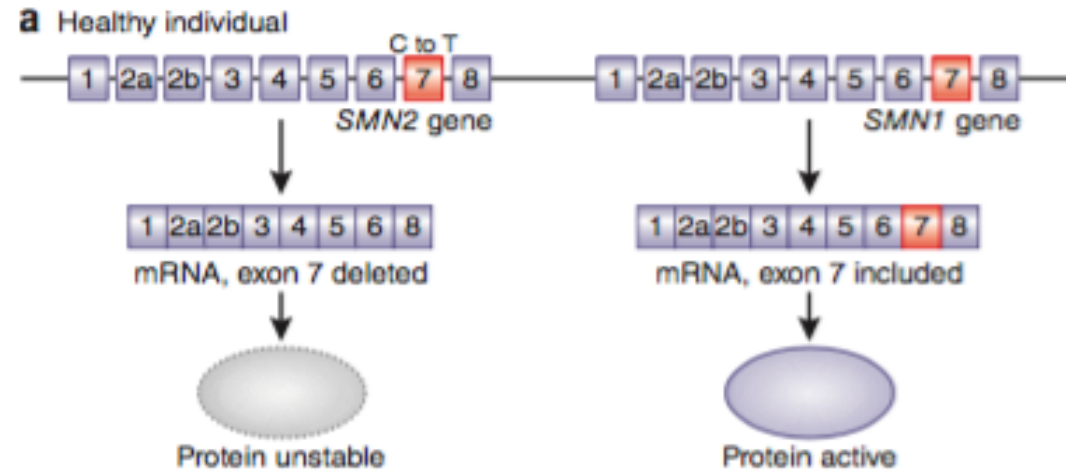


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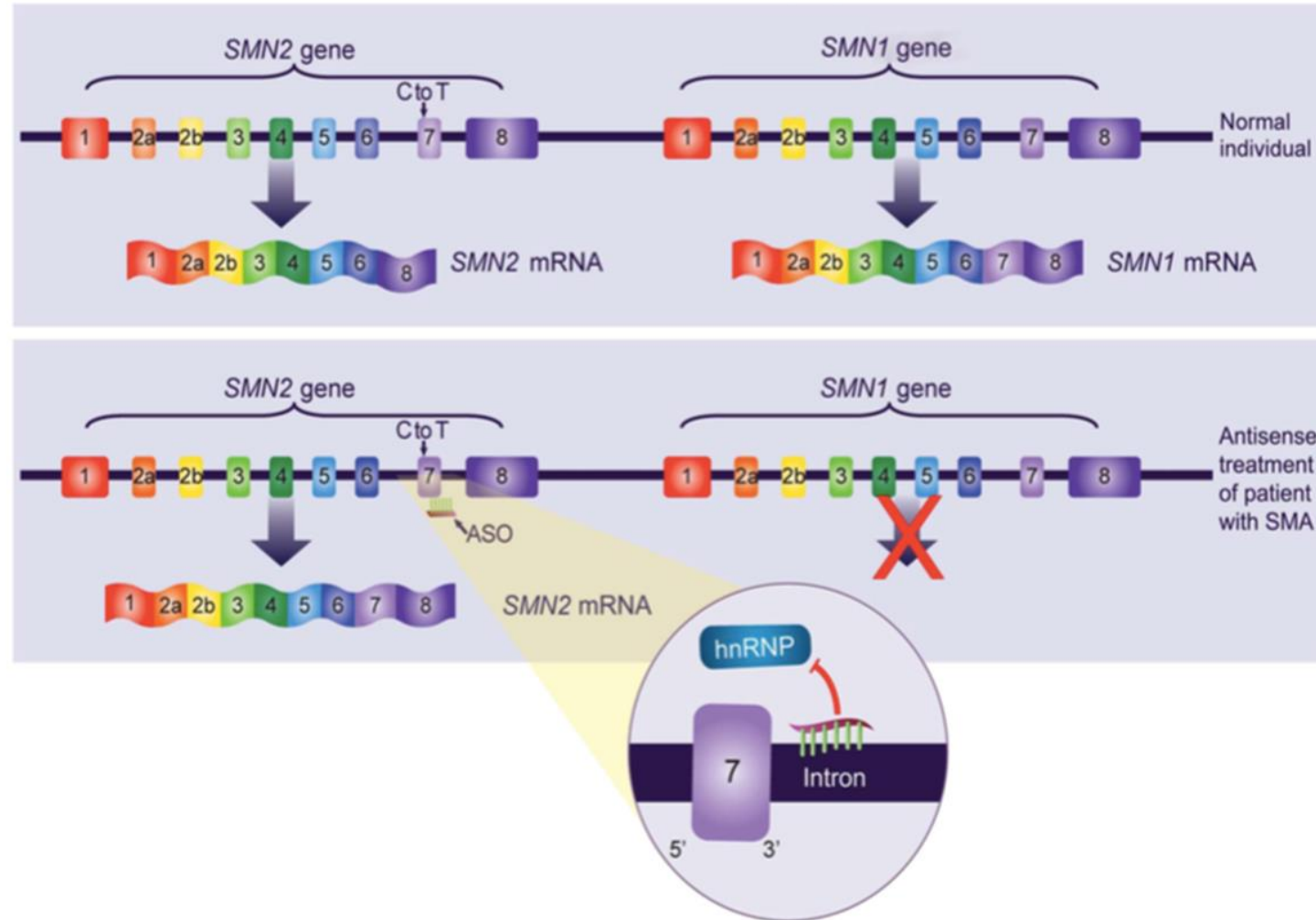
The use of invasive ventilation is appropriate in children with genetically proven spinal muscular atrophy type I: the motion against

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Features and properties of nusinersen	
Alternative names	ISIS 396443; ISIS-SMN _{Rx}
Class	Antisense oligonucleotides; spinal muscular atrophy gene therapies
Mechanism of action	Increases the inclusion of exon 7 in <i>SMN2</i> mRNA transcripts and thus the production of full-length SMN protein
Route of administration	Intrathecal
Pharmacodynamics	Binds to a specific sequence in the intron, downstream of exon 7 on the <i>SMN2</i> pre-mRNA, thereby modulating the splicing of the <i>SMN2</i> mRNA transcript to include exon 7 and enhancing the production of full-length SMN protein
Pharmacokinetics	Distributed from the site of administration (CSF) into motor neurons throughout the CNS; cleared from the CSF into the systemic circulation consistent with normal CSF turnover; CSF concentrations still quantifiable 15–168 days after dosing, indicating prolonged CSF and CNS tissue exposure; median time to C_{max} values ranged from 1.7–6.0 h; estimated mean terminal elimination half-life is 135–177 days (CSF) and 63–87 days (plasma)
Most frequent adverse events	Lower respiratory infection, upper respiratory infection, constipation
ATC codes	
WHO ATC code	N07 (other nervous system drugs)
EphMRA ATC code	N7 (other CNS drugs)
Chemical name	RNA, [2'- <i>O</i> -(2-methoxyethyl)](<i>P</i> -thio)(m5U-m5C-A-m5C-m5U-m5U-m5U-m5C-A-m5U-A-A-m5U-G-m5C-m5U-G-G)
C_{max} maximum plasma concentration, CSF cerebrospinal fluid, CNS central nervous system, mRNA messenger ribonucleic acid, SMN survival motor neuron	



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