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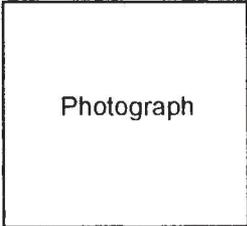
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A Rare Case of Double-chambered Right Ventricle

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Abstract

Double-chambered right ventricle (DCRV) is a congenital heart disease and an rare cause of cardiac failure. In this pathology muscle band divides the right ventricle into two separate cavities, causing obstruction of blood flow. Echocardiography is useful method for the diagnosis of this pathology. Due to the rarity of this condition and the chances of missing the diagnosis, we inform this case in view to highlight the rarity of this congenital heart disease in childhood. An 13 year old patient with double-chambered right ventricle presented with a history of recurrent fever, chronic cough, loss of appetite, loss of weight, breathlessness,. On presentation, she had features of respiratory tract infection. A complete diagnosis was initially missed with routine investigations later diagnoses were made on transthoracic 2-D echocardiography with colour Doppler. After the confirming the diagnoses, patient was referred for surgical correction to cardio thoracic and vascular surgery department.

Key words: Echocardiography, double chambered right ventricle, Fever, cough.

CASE REPORT

A 13 year-old female patient was admitted to the Emergency of Ram Manohar Lohia institute

of medical sciences Lucknow,India . Presented with chief complains of recurrent fever with chills, chronic cough, loss of appetite, loss of weight and breathlessness. A year earlier she had been miss diagnosed with chest infection due to mycobacterium by community health physician. She was on anti tubercular treatment (ATT) for one year .she was not cured by ATT. She had been suffering from dyspnoea, cough and fever with chills for the last one year , but the severity of the dyspnoea and other symptoms had increased in and leading up to her admission in Emergency . On her physical examination, there was no cyanosis, the lungs were normal with auscultation, heart rate was 65 bpm, and noninvasive blood pressure was 90/60 mmHg. At cardiac examination , a systolic murmur was heard at the left side of sternal border. There were no pallor, icterus, cyanoses, oedema, ascitis, clubbing, lymphadenopathy. The blood gas analysis was normal, and the blood glucose and electrolyte levels were also within normal ranges. Her electrocardiography (ECG) findings revealed sinus rhythm, right axis deviation. Chest X-ray was normal. Tran thoracic echocardiography was done to making the diagnosis and it showed RV hypertrophy and a muscular septation inside the RV. RV outflow tract and pulmonary valve were normal with mild-to-moderate tricuspid

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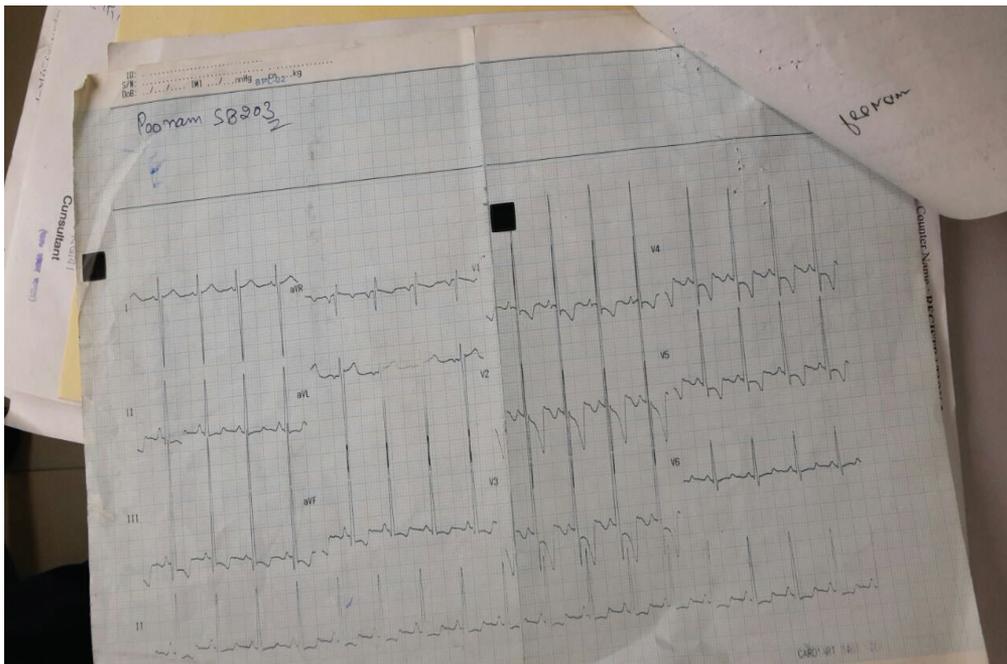
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regurgitation. Fever was managed by intravenous broad spectrum antibiotics and paracetamol. Drip according to body weight.

DISCUSSION

Double-chambered right ventricle (DCRV) is a rare congenital disorder. It makes up 0.5-2% of all congenital heart diseases and is often misdiagnosed. Forster and Humphries¹ reported only one case in 36,000 general autopsies, whereas there was a 1-2.6% incidence of other congenital diseases in their study. In DCRV, the right ventricle is divided into the high-pressure proximal and low-pressure distal chambers along with two pressure zones by a muscular band. It is considered to be a form of right ventricular (RV) outflow tract obstruction². Other cardiac anomalies frequently accompany DCRV; therefore, patients with this disease must be examined carefully for the presence of defects such as ventricular septal defects and pulmonary valve stenosis.³ However, our patient had isolated DCRV. Patients with DCRV usually have symptoms like chest pain, dyspnea, and syncope, and our patient

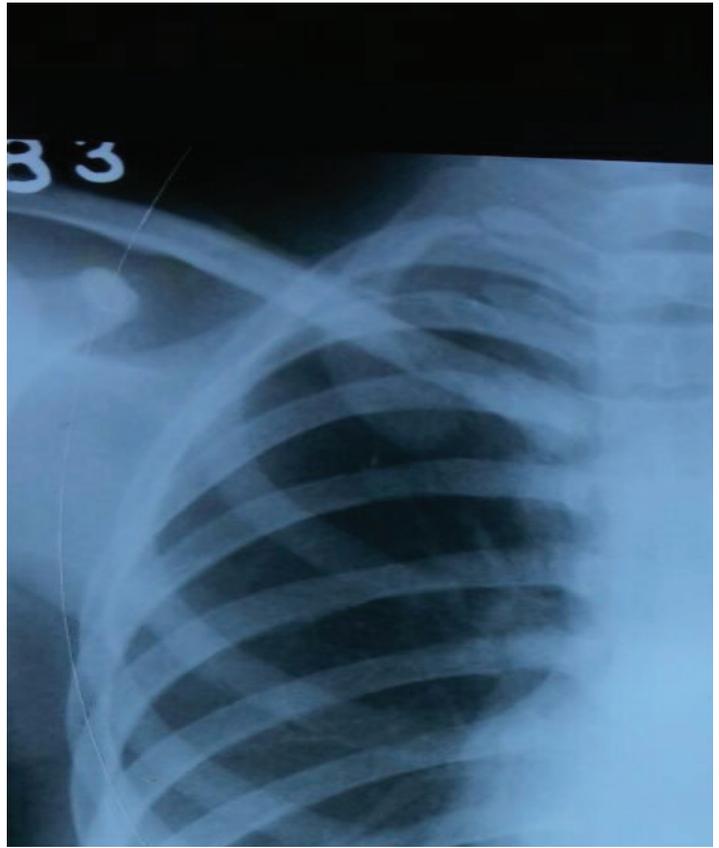
was no exception.⁴ Most of the time, diagnosis of DCRV is not an easy task. DCRV screening should be required, if there is a rare cause of cardiac failure. Hachiro et al.⁵ defined the criteria for diagnosis of DCRV as the following: the demonstration of a systolic pressure gradient in the RV cavity during RV catheterization, the visualization of the obstruction under the RV infundibulum caused by an abnormal muscle band, the absence of infundibular hypoplasia, and the direct visualization of an intracardiac muscle band during surgery.⁵ In our case, we were able to demonstrate intraventricular obstruction by transthoracic echocardiography. McElhinney et al.⁶ suggested surgical correction in asymptomatic DCRV patients with a high intracavitary pressure gradient. In conclusion, DCRV is usually seen in childhood and frequently is accompanied by cardiac disorders. Therefore, when there is an unexplained aetiology of tricuspid regurgitation and cardiac failure, screening for DCRV should be conducted so that right treatment options can be explained to patients and their relatives.



ECG



Patient with dual chamber right ventricle



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Comparison of Fentanyl with Dexmedetomidine for Smooth Extubation: A Clinical Study

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Abstract

This double-blind, randomized, controlled study was done in patients undergoing surgery under general anesthesia belonging to (ASA) physical status 1 or 2 to compare the effects of fentanyl 1 µg/kg and dexmedetomidine 0.75 µg/kg in attenuating airway and circulatory reflexes during emergence and extubation of the endotracheal tube. Study drug was given 15 min before the end of surgery as an infusion and over 15 min post extubation. Hemodynamic parameters and patient response for laryngoscopy and oral suctioning and during extubation were graded. Dexmedetomidine was found to produce hypotension at 5 min of drug infusion and improved with fluid bolus; HR was stable throughout the study period. Extubation quality was found to be superior in dexmedetomidine group with patients arousable and tolerating

suctioning and extubation. Whereas in fentanyl group, patients were awake during extubation and had tachycardia after extubation.

Keywords: Fentanyl, Dexmedetomidine, Extubation

INTRODUCTION

Many theories have been described for sudden exaggerated haemodynamic response during intubation and extubation such as release of catecholamines,¹ extubation can be associated with detrimental airway and hemodynamic responses. Easy extubation requires the absence of straining, movement, coughing, breath holding and laryngospasm.² airway irritation, intense pain following surgery, and emergence. other drugs are used to attenuate the intubation response such as intravenous lignocaine,³opioids such as

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fentanyl and remifentanyl,^{4,5} esmolol,⁶ labetalol,⁷ intratracheal local anesthetic instillation,⁸ dexmedetomidine⁹ which can be used during extubation also. Many research has been done to attenuate hemodynamic responses to intubation, but the same care and precautions are seldom carried out for extubation. The aim of this study was to compare the effect of sedation with single-dose dexmedetomidine and fentanyl on the attenuation of circulatory and airway response to endotracheal extubation.

METHODOLOGY

After Institutional Ethical Committee approval and written informed consent from patients, this double-blind, randomized, prospective clinical trial was carried out over a period of 6 months on fifty patients of American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) Grades 1 and 2 of both male & female sex, aged above 18 years undergoing surgery under general anesthesia. Patients randomization were done into two groups by sealed envelope technique; Group D received dexmedetomidine 0.7 µg/kg and Group F received fentanyl 1 µg/kg.

Patients with upper respiratory tract infection and those required intra-operative nasogastric tube were excluded from the study.

All patients were premedicated with oral alprazolam 25 mcg in the night and tablet Ranitidine 150 mg in the morning of the surgery. On the operating room table, after securing an intravenous access, injection midazolam 1.5 mg and injection ondansetron 4 mg were given. Base line hemodynamic parameters such as HR, BP, oxygen saturation were recorded with a multiparameter monitor. All participants were anesthetised using standard anesthesia technique. All patients were induced with propofol 2 mg/kg, morphine 0.1 mg/kg. Tracheal intubation was done using vecuronium (loading dose of 0.1 mg/kg, intermittent bolus of 0.02 mg/kg) and anesthesia was maintained on O₂:N₂O (0.5 L: 0.5

L) and isoflurane 2 % dial concentration adjusted to maintain minimum alveolar concentration to 1 % . An additional dose of morphine was given depending on hemodynamics. Isoflurane stopped fifteen minutes before expected last surgical suture, isoflurane was stopped, and equal amount of test solution (10 ml) was given over a period of 5 min by infusion pump. The test solution was prepared by anesthesiologist who was not involved in the study. Five minutes after the infusion, the patient was reversed from muscle relaxant effect with injection neostigmine 50 µg/kg and glycopyrrolate 10 µg/kg. Hemodynamics was assessed at every 2 minutes for first 10 minutes then every 5 min interval from the time of study drug administration up to 15 min after extubation. The level of sedation during suction and extubation was assessed using Ramsay sedation scale [Table 1]. The level of sedation during suction was assessed, and airway response under direct laryngoscopy to suction was noted by five-point scale [Table 2]. After 5 min interval, the level of sedation was assessed, and smoothness of extubation was noted by four-point scale [Table 3]. When mean arterial BP fall more than 10% of baseline value, 150 ml fluid bolus was given, and injection mephentermine was supplemented intravenously if there was no improvement. Drop in HR more than 20% from baseline was treated with injection atropine 0.6 mg intravenously.

Table 1
Observer Assessment Sedation Score

<i>Observation</i>	<i>Score</i>
Responds readily to name spoken in normal tone	5
Lethargic response to name spoken in normal tone	4
Reponds only after name is called loudly/ repeatedly	3
Responds only after mild prodding or shaking	2
Does not respond to mild prodding or shaking	1

Table 2
Grading of Airway Reflexes

Grade	Description
1	Excellent (breathing well, no response to laryngoscopy, and suctioning)
2	Good (breathing well, minimal grimacing response to laryngoscopy and suction)
3	Satisfactory (breathing well, coughing attempt to laryngoscopy and suction)
4	Poor (breathing well, coughing on tube during laryngoscopy)
5	Very poor (coughing on tube with breath holding)

Table 3
Smoothness of Extubation

Grade	Description
1	No coughing on endotracheal tube
2	Coughing on tube
3	Vomiting
4	Laryngospasm

Statistical Analysis

Based on our study, 13% difference in HR and BP between baseline and extubation between two groups was observed. For α 0.06 and β 75%, 23 patients per treatment group were needed. Assuming a 7% dropout rate, fifty patients (25 patients per group) were recruited for the study.

data Statistical analysis is done using Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS Version 19, IBM Corporation, Armonk, North Castle, New York, United States). Statistical analysis was done using paired-samples t-test for between group comparisons. The Chi-square test was used to analyze extubation quality, sedation scores, and adverse events. $P < 0.05$ was considered as statistically significant.

RESULTS

Age, weight, gender, airway, and ASA physical status were comparable in both groups. The total

dose of morphine consumed by the patients was not statistically significant [Table 4].

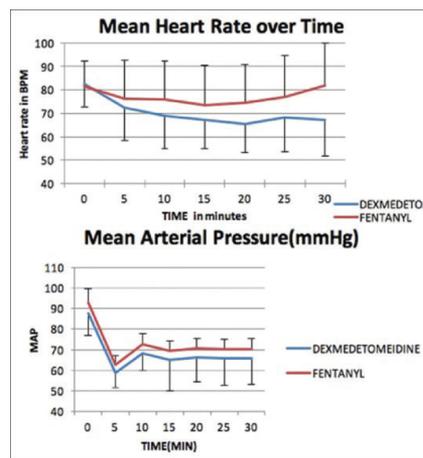
Table 4
Demographic Data and Total Morphine Consumption

Parameters	Dexmedetomidine	Fentanyl	P
Age-mean (95% CI)	34.86 (30.27-42.88)	38.24 (33.07-43)	0.356
Gender (male:female)	13:12	8:15	0.136
MPC* (1/2)	11/14	8:17	0.144
ASA*(1/2)	19/2	19/2	1.2
Weight-mean (95% CI)	57.64 (51.46-59.33)	61.84 (57.34-66.02)	0.156
Morphine consumption (95% CI)	6.54 (6.21-7.8)	6.73 (6.31-7.44)	0.811
Mean (95% CI)			

*Mallampatti class, *American Society of Anaesthesiologist, CI= Confidence interval

Decrease in HR shown in both the groups, from the time of test drug administration to extubation. However, dexmedetomidine produced a significant drop in HR when compared to fentanyl. Increase in HR in fentanyl group seen post extubation [Figure 1].

Figure 1
Hemodynamic variations over time



Reduction in BP was observed in both groups at 5 min post drug administration, which improved with fluid bolus and was maintained within 10% of baseline value throughout. [Figure 1].

Dexmedetomidine group patients showed greater degree of sedation during suctioning of airway and extubation when compared to fentanyl. Dexmedetomidine group patients was arousable but not awake post extubation but fentanyl group patients was awake. That is the reason that there HR was increased post extubation [Figures 2 and 3].

Figure 2

Level of Sedation and Grading of Smoothness during Extubation

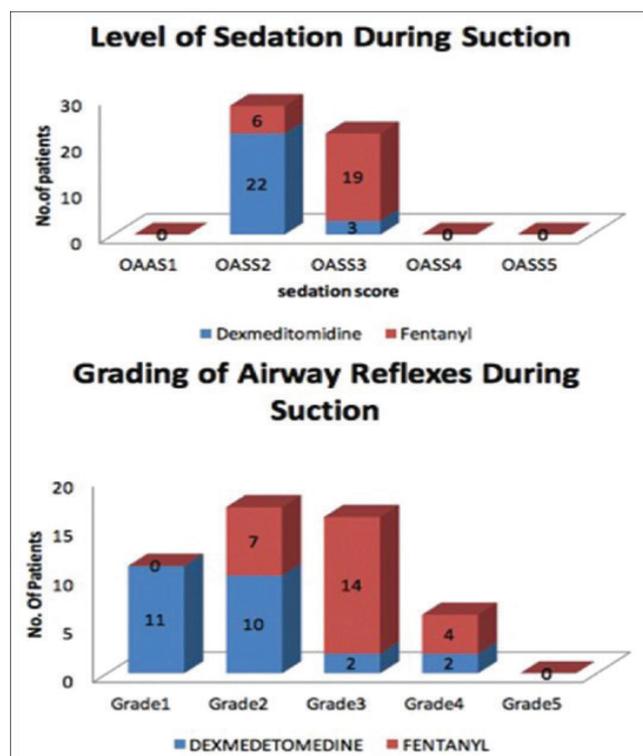


Figure 3

Level of Sedation and Grading of Airway Reflexes during Suction

Dexmedetomidine group patients in larger number tolerated laryngoscopy and suction. In both groups, none of the patients had breath holding or difficulty in tolerating the endotracheal tube [Figure 3].

DISCUSSION

Recouping from anesthesia regularly brings about hoisted haemodynamic parameters because of catecholamine focus following soporific withdrawal which is additionally irritated by laryngeal control happening amid extubation. Dexmedetomidine, a strong alpha-adrenoceptor agonist, diminish the thoughtful surge and noradrenergic movement accordingly neutralizing the hemodynamic variance happening at the time of extubation,⁹ and fentanyl is a demonstrated medication to lessen the intubation and extubation reaction. We analyzed the impacts of dexmedetomidine and fentanyl in constriction of hemodynamic and airway reflexes amid rise and extubation.

Dexmedetomidine initiates receptors in the medullary vasomotor focus, lessening norepinephrine turnover and diminishing central sympathetic outflow, resulting in alterations in sympathetic function and decreased HR, and BP. In our study, patients of both groups showed drop in HR and BP all through the examination time frame. On correlation between the groups, dexmedetomidine assemble demonstrated a critical drop in BP at 5 min interim after medication organization and enhanced with liquid boluses. Kothari et al.¹⁰ looked at lignocaine and dexmedetomidine and watched that solitary measurements of dexmedetomidine 0.5 µg/kg given 5 min before extubation delivered better weakening of hemodynamic reaction in craniotomy patients. Nonetheless, Sharma et al.¹¹ found an expansion in mean arterial pressure for initial 3 min in dexmedetomidine group which might be because of bolus medicate organization impact

and diminished from standard incentive after 5 min.

Central stimulation of parasympathetic outflow and inhibition of sympathetic outflow from the locus ceruleus in the brainstem plays a prominent role in the sedation and anxiolysis produced by dexmedetomidine. There was increase in HR and BP in fentanyl group after extubation when compared to dexmedetomidine group which could be attributed to good sedation score provided by dexmedetomidine than fentanyl. Aksu et al.¹² also found similar hemodynamic response of increase in HR and BP after the extubation of rhinoplasty patients in fentanyl group when compared with 0.5 µg/kg dexmedetomidine.

Kim and Bishop¹³ discovered 76% occurrence of coughing during emergence. coughing can bring about hypertension, tachycardia, increases intraocular and intracranial tension, myocardial ischemia, bronchospasm, and surgical bleeding.¹⁴ In our investigation, dexmedetomidine group demonstrated better airway response during laryngoscopy and oral suctioning when contrasted with fentanyl which connected well with better sedation score in dexmedetomidine group. The smoothness of extubation was equivalent between the two groups. Guler et al. watched that solitary dosage of dexmedetomidine 0.5 µg/kg when given 5 min before extubation encouraged resilience of endotracheal tube and altogether diminished coughing during extubation without influencing the development time.¹⁵

Fan et al. did a comparative report contrasting remifentanyl and two measurements of dexmedetomidine 0.5 µg/kg and 0.7 µg/kg for otology surgery and watched that higher rate of patients in dexmedetomidine groups had smooth extubation in regards to the nonappearance of bucking and coughing during head surgical dressing.¹⁶ They likewise watched that occurrence of postoperative nausea and vomiting was less with dexmedetomidine group.

To rule out the morphine enhancing the sedation effects during extubation, we observed total morphine consumption during the intra-operative period in both the groups and found to be comparable between the two groups.

Aside from measurably huge drop in BP at 5 min of medication organization which reacted to liquid bolus in the dexmedetomidine assemble there were no unfriendly symptoms amid the examination time frame. Both groups had a similar duration of recovery from anesthesia without delay in emergence. Dexmedetomidine 0.75 µg/kg given over 15 min before extubation enabled smooth extubation of the trachea and provided adequate sedation postoperatively with increase in the incidence of bradycardia and hypotension.¹⁷

Limitations

We examined the single dosage of dexmedetomidine and fentanyl for attenuation of hemodynamic and airway reflexes. A dose response study might be valuable in deciding the suitable dosage of the examination drugs. Second, five guide airway reaction toward suction under direct laryngoscopy and airway reaction to extubation have not been approved.

CONCLUSION

Single-dosage dexmedetomidine 0.75 µg/kg given 15 min before extubation created better attenuation of airway reaction to laryngoscopy and airway suctioning. This resulted in smooth tracheal extubation without prolonging recovery when compared to fentanyl.

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Airtraq with Adaptor for Infant with Failed Intubation in Cleft Lip and Cleft Palate Surgery: Guardian Angel of Emergency

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Abstract

Paediatric airway management is a challenging procedure due to a variation in their anatomy and physiology, lack of dedicated airway management protocols as well as limitations of the various devices and instruments like, fiber optic bronchoscope and video-laryngoscope. We report an interesting case of an eight month old infant with cleft lip -cleft palate with a history of failed intubation with conventional miller and Macintosh laryngoscope after 3 attempts and severe bradycardia following which surgery was deferred. The infant was successfully intubated in first attempt using Airtraq[®] optical laryngoscope with adaptor. In resource limited area and poor set ups where paediatric video-laryngoscopes or fiber optic device is not available, Airtraq[®] optical laryngoscope with adaptor is a boon and savior.

Keywords: Airtraq[®] optical laryngoscope, cleft lip, cleft palate.

Introduction

Cleft lip-palate is the commonest cranio-facial birth defects of complex etiology resulting in disruptions of normal facial structure. The defect involves disruption of the tissue planes above lip spreading out into the nose and/ or the palate (hard and/or soft).¹

In 2008, cleft lip (CL) - cleft palate (CP) were included by world health organization (WHO) in their global burden disease (GBD), since these birth defects contribute to significant infant mortality and childhood morbidity. The related facial disfigurement causes difficulties in the development of eating, speech, and dental

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development, and imparts serious psychosocial effects if cleft surgery is neglected until adulthood.

Clefts are not only a surgical problem but requires a coordinated approach of several specialists. It makes airway management a significant anaesthetic challenge, due to poor paediatric assessment tools, scarcity of management protocols, as well as limitations of various devices, instruments, video-laryngoscopes and fiber optic device. In developing countries obtaining such costly devices is again a challenge.

The paediatric Airtraq® optical laryngoscope is an airway device which facilitates tracheal intubation in infants having both normal as well as difficult airways. A software (Airtraq Mobile by Airtraq) that enables live visual representation of the intubation procedure has been made available freely for smart phones (Android /iPhone). It operates with a specially built Smartphone Adapter (Figure 01).

We report a case of an eight month old infant with cleft lip cleft palate with a history of failed intubation with conventional laryngoscope after 3 attempts.

Case Report

An eight month old boy, first of non-consanguineous marriage presented with complaints of defect of upper lip and palate with a history of failed intubation with conventional laryngoscope (Miller and McIntosh). Patient was posted for cheiloplasty (Figure 02).

Pre-anaesthetic evaluation was done. Patient was full term normal delivery with no history of repeated upper respiratory tract infection (URTI) and regurgitation. Immunization was complete till date.

On examination patient had left complete CL-CP, blood pressure of 86/48 mmHg, heart rate 146/min, respiratory rate of 22/min, weight of 9 kg and SpO₂ of 100% on air was recorded. General

Systemic examination revealed no abnormality. Laboratories studies - complete blood count, electrolytes, renal function test and liver function test were within normal limit. 2D Echo and chest x-ray were normal. Airway assessment was done by Colorado Paediatric Airway Score (COPUR).² It was 12; Anticipated difficult.

The anaesthesia plan was general anaesthesia with endotracheal tube (ETT) using Airtraq® optical laryngoscope with adaptor preserving spontaneous respiration. For plan B age and weight appropriate SGA (I Gel) was prepared. The surgeon was advised to keep surgical airway ready. The patient was advised NPO as per standard guidelines. On the morning of surgery, an intravenous line was secured with 24G cannula in preoperative room and inside the operation theatre monitors (pulse oximetry, electrocardiogram (ECG), non-invasive blood pressure, and temperature) were attached. Premedication was done with Atropine 0.02mg/kg intravenously (IV), Dexamethasone 0.5mg/kg IV and Fentanyl 2mcg/kg IV. Preoxygenated with 100% O₂ for 3 min. and induced with Sevoflurane 8% in 100% oxygen (O₂). When the pupils diverged the inspired concentration was decreased to 4%. End point of induction was marked by Centralization of eyeballs and lack of hemodynamic response to jaw thrust. Oro-tracheal intubation was done with size 3.5 uncuffed ETT using Airtraq® optical laryngoscope size zero (0) with adaptor in single attempt and intubation was confirmed with capnography and bilateral chest auscultation (figure 03).

Throat packing was done and anaesthesia maintained with O₂ (50%) and N₂O (50%) and Sevoflurane with intermittent injection Atracurium IV. Intraoperative course was uneventful. Infraorbital nerve block was done for post op analgesia. Patient was reversed with Inj. Neostigmine(0.04mg/kg) IV + Inj Glycopyrrolate (0.01mg/kg) IV. Patient with stable vitals was shifted to HDU for further monitoring.

Discussion

Cleft lip - cleft palate surgery is a significant anaesthetic challenge, where the surgical field is shared with the surgeon. Paediatric group includes other challenges i.e. large occiput, large tongue, and small glottis with high placed vocal chords, floppy epiglottis and high arched palate. Physiologically they are different from adult due to small apnoea period, decrease functional residual capacity (FRC), increase rate of airway obstruction.

In cleft lip and palate surgery throat pack, blood clots in airway, reduce pharyngeal tone and laryngeal oedema, all lead to increased risk of laryngospasm and bronchospasm. Effectively securing the airway takes precedence in these patients.

To serve the above demanding situation there is a requirement of video-laryngoscope and fibreoptic devices. These are costly devices and being in a developing country availability of age appropriate devices are not possible in every set up. However, Airtraq® designed on the principal of optical laryngoscope technology can be used as a primary device or a rescue intubating device in emergency as it is easily available and less expensive.³

Airtraq® has a guide conduit on the side to load the ETT. Adaptor connected to the Airtraq® has an option for focus, snapshot, recording, editing, video library and sharing.⁴

When compared to direct laryngoscopy, Airtraq provided easier and quicker visualization of the glottic view. Being an indirect laryngoscope it neither requires direct line of sight, nor need to displace the tongue and sniffing position.⁵

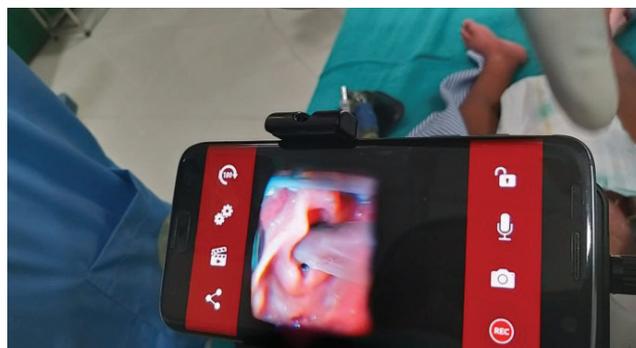
Figure 1
Airtraq with ETT



Figure 2
Patient with Cleft Palate



Figure 3
Oro-tracheal intubation was done with size 3.5 Uncuffed ETT using Airtraq® optical laryngoscope size zero (0) with adaptor



Conclusion

Airtraq® optical laryngoscope with adaptor may be a feasible alternative to video laryngoscopy in paediatric patients, especially in the developing countries. The benefits are that it operates with ease of assistance and guidance as visual laryngoscope.

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Attenuation of Pressure Response to Direct Laryngoscopy and Endo-Tracheal Intubation – A Comparative Study between Morphine Sulphate and Fentanyl Citrate

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ABSTRACT

The pressure response to laryngoscopy and endotracheal intubation would be dangerous in patients with cardiovascular or cerebral disease which increases risk of morbidity and mortality from tachycardia, hypertension and arrhythmia. This study is designed to compare the safety and efficacy of intravenous morphine sulphate and fentanyl citrate in attenuation of hemodynamic response during laryngoscopy and intubation.

Total of 50 patients of ASA I and II between 18-65 years were selected and divided two groups. Group I (inj. morphine sulphate 0.15 mg/kg IV) and Group II (inj. fentanyl citrate 4 mcg/kg IV). Heart rate, blood pressure, ECG were monitored continuously and recorded before

and after giving the study drug, after intubation at 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,10th,30thminutes and 1,2,3,4,5 and 6th hour post operatively. Fentanyl is highly effective in attenuation of heart rate and blood pressure response as compared to morphine sulphate following laryngoscopy and intubation which is statistically significant (P value-<0.05). Mean HR in fentanyl group is 77.8bpm while 92.68 in morphine group. Mean SBP is 110.88 mm of hg, mean DBP is 63.8 mm of hg, MBP is 79.49 mm of hg in fentanyl group while mean SBP is 116.76 mm of hg, mean DBP is 69.56 mm of hg, MBP is 85.29 mm of hg in morphine group. No major complications have been observed during study except hypotension in 2 patients, bradycardia in 3 patients. None of the patient had respiratory depression.

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Fentanyl citrate is more effective than morphine sulphate in attenuation of pressure response following direct laryngoscopy and endotracheal intubation.

KEY WORDS: Fentanyl citrate,
hemodynamic response,
morphine sulphate, intubation

INTRODUCTION

Direct laryngoscopy and endotracheal intubation in anesthetized patients are known to induce clinical changes in hemodynamic variables. Direct laryngoscopy produces marked short term stress response with detrimental effects on coronary and cerebral circulation in high risk patients, particularly in those with systemic hypertension, coronary artery or cerebrovascular diseases.^{1,2} Tracheal intubation causes increase in catecholamine concentrations and a reflexive rise in sympathetic activity. This reaction is not prevented by regular premedication.^{3, 4,5} Various drug regimens and techniques have been used from time to time for attenuating stress response to laryngoscopy and intubation including opioids, barbiturates, benzodiazepines, beta blockers, calcium channel blockers, vasodilators, etc.^{6,7,8} Opioids in adequate doses have been commonly used to prevent hemodynamic response at laryngoscopy and intubation.⁹

In our study morphine sulphate and fentanyl citrate have been used for attenuation of sympathoadrenal stimulation caused by tracheal intubation. Opioids are effective in blunting pressure response to laryngoscopy and intubation. These opioids are associated with some side effects like respiratory depression, nausea, vomiting and drowsiness. But with doses used in clinical setting to attenuate this pressure response side effects are minimal.

The purpose of this study to evaluate the safety and efficacy of intravenous morphine sulphate and

fentanyl citrate in attenuation of hemodynamic response during laryngoscopy and intubation.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

To compare changes in heart rates, systolic blood pressure, diastolic blood pressure, mean blood pressure and side effects like respiratory depression, vomiting, bradycardia etc. in both groups.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

After obtaining approval from institutional review board and written informed consent this prospective study was carried out on 50 ASA I and II patients, aged 18-65 years, scheduled for elective surgery requiring general anesthesia with endotracheal intubation. Patients of ASA grade III and IV, patients requiring nasal intubation, previous history of difficult intubation, repeated attempts of intubation, emergency surgery, pregnant patients, known sensitivity or intolerance to morphine and fentanyl, patients with cardiovascular, cerebrovascular, and gastro esophageal reflux disease were excluded from study. Detailed pre anesthetic evaluation of each case was done after obtaining the medical history, thorough systemic examination was carried out to detect the presence of any systemic disease. Routine and systemic investigations were done accordingly.

All patients were instructed to remain nil by mouth for at least 8 hours before surgery. Patients were premedicated with tab. Lorazepam hydrochloride 1 mg night before surgery. Five minutes prior to induction of anesthesia patient received study drug in Group I: Inj. morphine sulphate 0.15 mg/kg and in Group II: Inj. fentanyl citrate 4 mcg/kg IV. On arrival in the operation theatre patients were monitored with routine electrocardiogram (ECG), pulse oximetry (SPO₂%), heart rate (HR), systolic blood pressure (SBP), diastolic blood pressure (DBP), mean blood pressure (MBP) and

were recorded as baseline value. After securing intravenous line all patients were given inj. glycopyrrolate 0.2mg IV. Prior to injection of study drug HR, SBP, DBP, MBP were recorded and designated as pre induction value. Anesthesia technique was identical in both the groups. After preoxygenation with 100% O₂ for 3 minutes patients were induced with inj. thiopental sodium 2.5% 5mg/kg and muscle relaxation was provided with inj. vecuronium bromide 0.15mg/kg IV. Intermittent positive pressure ventilation was given for 3 minutes with 100% oxygen at rate of 12 breaths/minute. Laryngoscopy and intubation with proper size tube was carried out within 30 seconds by senior anesthesiologist. Anesthesia was maintained with O₂ (50%) in N₂O (50%) with sevoflurane (0.5-1%MAC).

All parameters including HR, SBP, DBP, MBP and side effects were recorded at following interval. Baseline: on arrival in operation theatre, pre induction: after inj. glycopyrrolate, 0 minute: at the time study drug given, after intubation 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10th, 30th minutes and 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6th hour post operatively. After completion of surgery patients were reversed with inj. glycopyrrolate 20mcg/kg IV and inj. neostigmine 40 mcg /kg IV. All patients were extubated when fully awake and following verbal command then shifted to postoperative ward.

We had following parameters for study: Hypotension defined as SBP <25% of baseline value or <90 mm of hg whichever was lower. Hypertension defined as SBP >25% of baseline value or >150 mm of hg whichever was greater. Tachycardia was defined as HR >25% of baseline value. Bradycardia was defined as HR <60 beats/minute

Pre intubation and post intubation data were compared by paired "t" test in both the groups using graph pad software. P value <0.05 was considered statistically significant.

OBSERVATION AND RESULT

Both groups were comparable in respect to age, weight and gender (Table 1). Table 2 shows the type of the surgeries carried out. Graph 1 shows changes HR. Increase in HR is less in fentanyl group as compare to morphine group after intubation up to 1st hour following intubation. Fentanyl is more effective in attenuation of heart rate response (mean HR is 77.8 bpm, SD-4.42) as compared to morphine sulphate (mean HR is 92.68bpm, SD-4.23) following laryngoscopy and intubation which is statistically significant (P value-<0.05). Graph 2, 3 shows changes in SBP, DBP before induction and after intubation. Increase in SBP, DBP less in fentanyl group as compare to morphine group. Fentanyl is more effective (mean SBP is 110.88 mm of hg, SD-7.92, mean DBP is 63.8 mm of hg, SD-5.27) in attenuation of blood pressure response as compared to morphine sulphate (mean SBP is 116.76 mm of hg, SD-8.17, mean DBP is 69.56 mm of hg, SD-5.50) following laryngoscopy and intubation which is statistically significant (P value <0.05). Table 3 shows occurrence of complications in both group. Hypotension was observed in 2 patients in both group which was treated by head low position and fast fluid. Bradycardia was observed in 3 patients in fentanyl group which was treated by inj. glycopyrrolate 0.2 mg IV.

DISCUSSION

Laryngoscopy and endotracheal intubation are stressful noxious stimuli which results in marked increase in release of sympathetic amines like adrenalin and noradrenalin by stimulating tracheal and laryngeal sensory receptor. This increase in sympathetic amines associated with perioperative hemodynamic instabilities like hypertension, cardiac arrhythmia, and tachycardia.³⁻⁵ In addition, sudden hemodynamic changes may lead to serious complications, especially in patients with co morbid diseases like hypertension.^{3,4,7,8} Many agents have been used to attenuate sympathetic

stimulation to decrease the incidences of perioperative complications like α adrenergic blockers, vasodilators, calcium channel blockers, sodium channel blocker, nerve blocks and inhaled anesthetics.⁶⁻⁸ These drugs effectively attenuate hemodynamic responses but they have no role for induction and maintenance of anesthesia and cause dangerous complications.¹⁰ These hemodynamic responses to intubation were controlled effectively in our patients by using two drugs fentanyl and morphine. Narcotics are very commonly used for intraoperative analgesia, therefore there is no additional cost involved. Narcotics have advantage of having perioperative role in anesthesia. They can be used as sole or supplementary agent for induction of anesthesia.

Fentanyl is available in our country since 1988 and has various advantages like rapid onset, short duration of action, cardio stability, no histamine release, and no bronchospasm. Fentanyl on mg basis is about 80 times more potent than morphine.¹¹ Fentanyl and morphine were given 5 minutes before intubation which is an optimum time to administer these drugs to protect circulatory responses to laryngoscopy and endotracheal intubation. Ko SH¹² et al had studied 2 mcg/kg of fentanyl given at different time interval before intubation and they found fentanyl given 5 minutes before intubation provides good cardiovascular control. So similarly we have done intubation 5 minutes after injection of study drugs.

Hoda MQ et al⁶ in his study compared intravenous morphine sulphate 0.15 mg/kg with tramadol 2 mg/kg and they found that morphine is better drug with this dose as compared to tramadol (maximum increase in HR was 11.86%, SBP was none, DBP was 2.46%, MBP was 1.96% in morphine group while maximum rise in HR was 28.92%, SBP was 8.06%, DBP was 3.31%, MBP was 4.16% in tramadol group following laryngoscopy and intubation) which was statistically significant (P value <0.05). Bharat Chaudhry et al¹³ in his study used two different doses of fentanyl citrate

2 mcg/kg and 4 mcg/kg in attenuation of pressure response to laryngoscopy and intubation and they concluded that fentanyl citrate 4 mcg/kg IV completely attenuate pressure response which is comparable with our study. Neha Sharma et al¹⁰ in his study compared fentanyl 2 mcg/kg intravenous and nalbuphine 0.2 mg/kg IV for pressure attenuation and they found that fentanyl group had 12.5% increase in heart rate and nalbuphine group had 13.6% during intubation which is almost equal. Maximum rise in SBP and DBP in nalbuphine was 14.9% and 8.9% respectively while it was 4.8% and 4.5% respectively in fentanyl group. So fentanyl significantly reduces blood pressure as compared to nalbuphine which is comparable with our study. Bharat Chaudhary et al¹¹ in his study did not see any severe complications like respiratory depression with 4 mcg/kg dose of fentanyl citrate which is identical to our study. Deborah et al¹³ in his study observed pharmacokinetic of fentanyl citrate in dose of 3.2 to 6.4 mcg/kg and they observed prolonged and recurrent respiratory depression in three patients out of seven patients. In our study with dose of 4 mcg/kg of fentanyl citrate no respiratory depression was found. We observed bradycardia in three patients and hypotension in two patients. Thompson et al¹⁴ in his study compared respiratory depression with morphine and morphine 6 glucuronide and they found that morphine in dose 10 mg per 70 kg patients was associated with respiratory depression. In our study we use 0.15 mg/kg dose of morphine sulphate which is identical with above study but we do not observe respiratory depression in our study. Hoda MQ et al⁶ in his study did not see any severe complications like respiratory depression with 0.15 mg/kg dose of morphine sulphate which is identical to our study.

Mean duration of surgery in fentanyl group of patients is 4.04 hours and in morphine group of patients is 4 hours might be the reason of absence of such complications.

CONCLUSION

Fentanyl citrate is more effective than *morphine* sulphate in attenuation of pressure response following direct laryngoscopy and endotracheal

intubation during general anesthesia. Both these drugs with intravenous route of administration were simple, easy and safe for attenuation of pressure response without any serious complications.

TABLE: I
DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

<i>variables</i>	<i>group:M</i>	<i>group:F</i>
Age (years)	45.84±9.61	42.92±9.07
Sex (M:F)	4:21	6:19
Weight (kg)	54.12±6.28	53.92±6.99
Duration of surgery(hours)	4±0.31	4.04±0.34

TABLE: II
TYPE OF SURGERIES

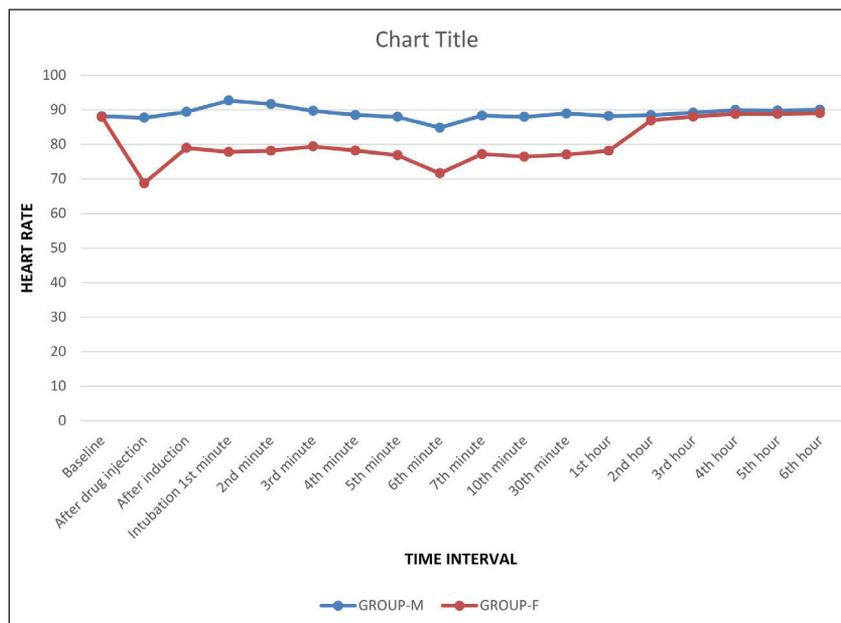
<i>Type of surgery</i>	<i>Group-M(no. of patients)</i>	<i>Group-F(no. of patients)</i>
Staging laparotomy	7	6
Radical hysterectomy	1	0
Trans hiatal esophagectomy	4	2
Whipple procedure	1	0
Radical vulvectomy and groin dissection	2	1
Interval debulking	3	5
Abdominoperineal Resection	1	1
Colectomy	1	2
Wertheim's hysterectomy	1	2
Exploratory laparotomy	4	5
Lower anterior Resection	0	1
Total no. of Patients	25	25

TABLE: III
COMPLICATIONS IN BOTH GROUPS

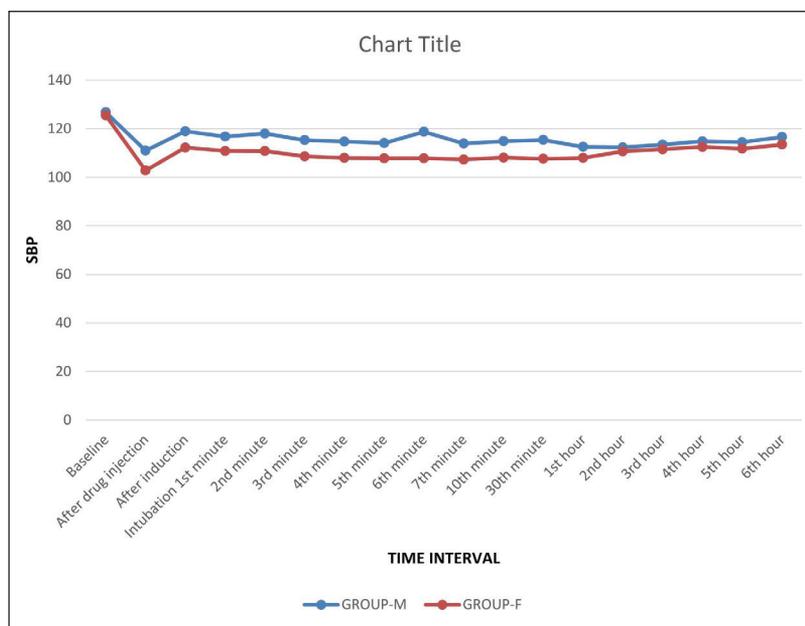
<i>Complications</i>	<i>No of patients</i>	
	<i>Group: M</i>	<i>Group: F</i>
Bradycardia	Nil	3

Nausea	2	3
Vomiting	Nil	Nil
Respiratory depression	Nil	Nil
Hypotension	2	2

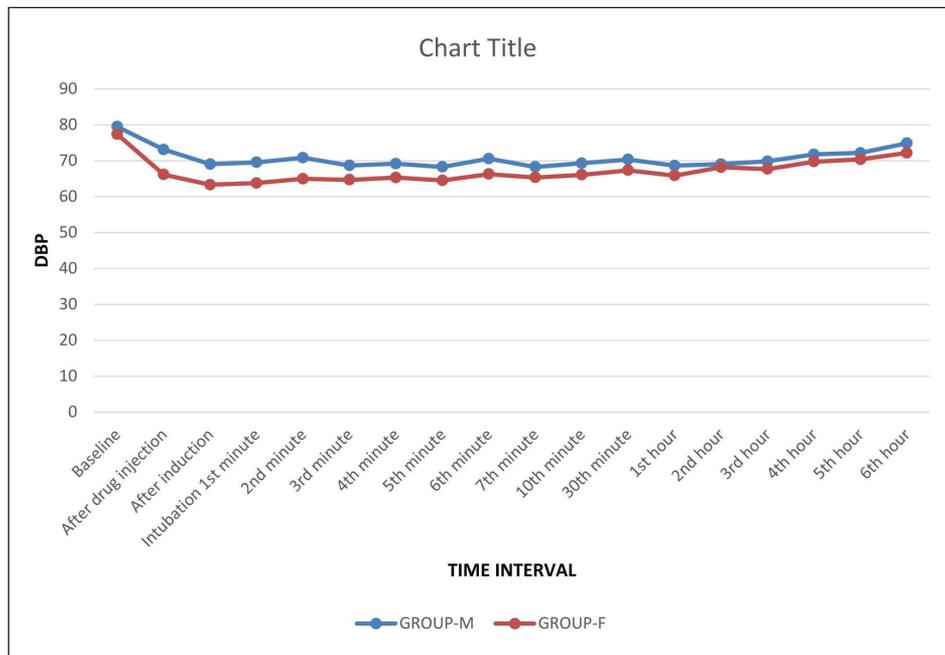
GRAPH: 1
MEAN HR AT DIFFERENT INTERVAL OF TIME



GRAPH: 2
MEANSBP AT DIFFERENT INTERVAL OF TIME



GRAPH: 3
MEANDBP AT DIFFERENT TIME INTERVAL



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