Regional anesthesia for the OSA patient

Is there a benefit and when should it be used?

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OR 2.46 p=0.006

Meta-analysis of the association between obstructive sleep apnoea and postoperative outcome \$B] A \$

ICU transfer

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Impact of Anesthesia Technique in OSA

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Sleep Apnea and Total Joint Arthroplasty under Various Types of Anesthesia:

A Population-Based Study of Perioperative Outcomes

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Healthcare question

 Association between type of anesthesia and perioperative outcomes in OSA

Population based analysis

- · Premier, national administrative database
- Claims data >540 US hospitals
- 30,024 OSA patients (ICD-9 code), 2006 2010
- GA 74%, NA 11%, GA/NA 15%



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Complications	NA vs GA	NA + GA vs GA
Combined complications	OR 0.83 p=0.03	OR 0.89 p=0.03
Mechanical ventilation	OR 0.64 p<0.0001	OR 0.64 p<0.0001
ICU	OR 0.43 p<0.0001	OR 0.67 p<0.0001
Prolonged length of stay	OR 0.75 p<0.0001	OR 0.70 p<0.0001
Increased cost	OR 0.88 p=0.04	OR 0.70 p<0.0001
Pulmonary complications		OR 0.77 p=0.01

+ PNB \rightarrow additional reduction in mechanical ventilation, ICU and LOS

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Primary Arthroplasty

Perioperative Complications in Patients With Sleep Apnea Undergoing Total Joint Arthroplasty

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Healthcare question

Does anesthesia technique influence perioperative complications in OSA?

Retrospective observational analysis

- Institutional data: Thomas Jefferson University, PA
- 2005 2016 (ICD-9 code)
- 1,246 OSA matched to 3,738 non-OSA patients (1:3)

The Journal of Arthroplasty 2017		
Complications	GA vs NA in OSA	
Pulmonary complications	OR 4.48 p=0.004	
Gastrointestinal complications	OR 4.70 p=0.02	
Acute hemorrhagic anemia	OR 2.14 p=0.04	
Mortality	OR 14.0 p=0.008	
	GA impact overall	
Pulmonary complications	OR 5.04 p<0.001	
Cardiac complications	OR 2.11 p=0.02	
Gastrointestinal complications	OR 4.60 p<0.001	
Acute hemorrhagic anemia	OR 3.58 p<0.001	
Shock	OR 3.26 p=0.003	
Wound complications	OR 13.01 p=0.001	
Mortality	OR 15.88 p<0.001	

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The prevalence of perioperative complications in patients with and without obstructive sleep apnoea: a prospective cohort study



Romanian Journal of Anaesthesia and Intensive Care | 2016

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Healthcare question

Incidence of perioperative complications by anesthesia technique

Prospective observational study

- Institutional data: Nicolae Testemitanu University, Romania
- 2014 2015, Berlin questionnaire
- 400 patients; abdominal and orthopedic surgery
- Results
- Highest number of complications in OSA/abdominal surgery under GA
- Best outcomes in OSA patients with orthopedic surgery under RA
- Respiratory complications most frequent
- · Risk for complications depends on type of surgery and anesthesia

	Abdominal cavity	Orthopedic
Complications	GA vs NA	GA vs NA
Respiratory complications	+17.3%	+16.0%
ICU (unplanned)	+5.7%	+4.3%
Stroke	+0.7%	0%
Postoperative fever	+1.4%	-2.6%
Postoperative ventilation	+20.3%	+20%
Difficult intubation	3.5% in GA	
Prolonged awakening from anesthesia	2.5% in GA	13% in GA

NA + PNB → additional reduction in respiratory complications

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Postoperative Hypoxemia in Orthopedic Patients with Obstructive Sleep Apnea

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Healthcare question

- Incidence and risk factors for postoperative hypoxemia in OSA
- Hypoxemia: SpO2 <90% for over 5min

Retrospective analysis

- OSA surgical patient records at the Hospital for Special Surgery (2005 2008)
- 527 OSA patients undergoing ambulatory orthopedic surgery (ICD-9) (minimum one-night PACU for continuous monitoring)

Results

- GA identified as a risk factor hypoxemia in OSA (+ blood loss, IV fluids and surgery type)
- Hypoxemia associated with major respiratory complications, increased LOS, and wound infections

Anesthesia	Hypoxemia
GA only	29%
Spinal	4%
Spinal + PNB	1%
Epidural	5%
PNB	4%
IV-PCA	32%
Continuous PNB	4%

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Airway Management in OSA

Complications	OSA vs non-OSA		
Difficult intubation	OR 3.46 p<0.0001		
Difficult mask ventilation	OR 3.39 p<0.0001		
Combined	OR 4.12 p<0.0001		
Supraglottic airway failure	OR 1.34 p=0.38		

RESEARCH ARTICLE

Is obstructive sleep apnea associated with difficult airway? Evidence from a systematic review and meta-analysis of prospective and retrospective cohort studies

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Neuromuscular Blockade in OSA

Patients with a high risk for obstructive sleep apnea syndrome: Postoperative respiratory complications

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Healthcare Question

· Early postoperative respiratory complications in high risk OSA after GA

Observational prospective double cohort study

- Institutional, Centro Hospitalar São João in Porto, Portugal
- PACU after non-cardiac, non-neurological surgery, 2011
- 340 patients (STOP-BANG)

Results

- Residual neuromuscular blockade more frequent in OSA
- Inability to breathe deeply more frequent in OSA
- Increased respiratory complications in OSA after GA
- Residual neuromuscular blockade independent risk factor for adverse respiratory complications

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Complications	OSA	non-OSA	P-value
Нурохіа	9%	3%	0.012
Respiratory complications	39%	10%	< 0.001
Inability to breathe deeply	34%	9%	0.001
Residual Neuromuscular blockade	20%	16%	0.035
PACU LOS	120 min	99 min	0.04

Neuromuscular Blockade in OSA

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Postoperative complications with neuromuscular blocking drugs and/or reversal agents in obstructive sleep apnea patients: a systematic review

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Society of Anesthesia and Sleep Medicine Guideline on Intraoperative Management of Adult Patients With Obstructive Sleep Apnea Society of Anesthesia (Bhr) + Content Content (Content Content Structure Sciences) (Content Sciences) (Content Content Content Sciences) (Content Sciences) (Content Sciences) (Content Sciences) (Content Sciences) (Content Content Sciences) (Content Sciences) (Conten

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OSA compared to non-OSA patients receiving neuromuscular blocking agents may be at increased risk of effects of

· Postoperative residual neuromuscular blockade

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- Hypoxemia
- · Respiratory failure

Full reversal of NMB should always be verified before extubation

- Effects may persist even after the use of reversal agents
- In general population, sugammadex vs neostigmine more efficient in decreasing residual paralysis
- · In OSA population, insufficient evidence to demonstrate superiority of sugammadex

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Postoperative Changes in Sleep-disordered Breathing and Sleep Architecture in Patients with Obstructive Sleep Apnea

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Prospective observational study

- Institutional: Toronto Western and Mt. Sinai, Canada
- 58 patients, PSG preop. + postop. night 1, 3, 5, 7

Postoperative worsening of

- SDB: AHI increased, exacerbation of nocturnal hypoxia and hypercapnia OSA > non-OSA peak postoperative night 3, sustained 7 days
- Sleep architecture: REM sleep, slow wave sleep peak on postoperative night 1



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Factors Associated with Postoperative Exacerbation of Sleep-disordered Breathing

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Drivers of postoperative sleep-disordered breathing

Prospective observational study

- · Institutional: Toronto Western and Mt. Sinai, Canada
- 376 patients, orthopedic, spinal, or general surgery
- PSG preop., postop. nights 1 and 3

Result

- GA associated with increased postoperative Central Apnea Index
- 72h opioid dose positively correlated with AHI severity

Drivers of postoperative Apnea Hypopnea Index (AHI)

ANESTHESIOLOGY

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- Preoperative AHI
- Age
- 72 hours opioid dose
- Drivers of postoperative Central Apnea Index
- Preoperative central apnea index
- Male sex
- GA





Critical Components of OSA Pathogenesis

Understanding Phenotypes of Obstructive Sleep Apnea: Applications in Anesthesia, Surgery, and Perioperative Medicine

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Upper airway anatomy

• Narrower, higher pharyngeal collapsibility, obesity (parapharyngeal fat deposition), craniofacial abnormalities

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Ability of upper airway dilator muscles to respond pharyngeal collapse during sleep

• Decreased tone of upper airway dilatator muscles – obstructive events

Arousal threshold - propensity to wake up from respiratory stimulus during sleep

- Hypercapnic respiratory drive and diaphragmatically generated negative pressure during airway obstruction predispose repeated arousal
- Low arousal threshold, disruptive sleep, wake up before reaching very low oxygen saturation
- High arousal threshold preoperative identification not feasible

Inherent instability of ventilatory control

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General anesthesia and dose dependent depression of upper airway activity

Anesthetic, sedative, and narcotic drug effects

Worsened upper airway collapsibility

Depression of central respiratory activity

- · Diminished ventilatory response to hypercarbia and hypoxia
- Delayed respiratory arousal response to airway occlusion
- Depression of central respiratory output to upper airway dilator muscles and upper airway reflexes (e.g. genioglossus muscle)

Depression of peripheral reflex pathways of upper airway muscle activity Exacerbated SDB

- → May precipitate complete arousal arrest in patients with high arousal threshold
- ightarrow Sudden, unexpected death

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Triazolam in Patients with Obstructive Sleep Apnea

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OSA complicating opioid analgesia

Enhanced pain sensitivity conferred by OSA features

Chronic intermittent hypoxia

• Nocturnal arterial desaturation may be associated with increased pain in patients with SDB

Sleep fragmentation

- · Hyperalgesia in insomnia
- CPAP with improved sleep continuity reduced pain sensitivity in OSA

Nocturnal Intermittent Hypoxia Is Independently Associated with Pain in Subjects Suffering from Sleep-disordered Breathing PAIN MEDICINE

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Obstructive sleep apnea, pain, and opioids: is the riddle solved?

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Non-opioid analgesic modes of pain management are associated with reduced postoperative complications and resource utilisation: a retrospective study of obstructive sleep apnoea patients undergoing elective joint arthroplasty

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Healthcare question

· Impact of multimodal analgesia on opioid use and complication risk

Population based retrospective cohort study

- Premier national healthcare database
- 2006-2016; Claims-based data >540 US hospitals (25%)
- 181,182 OSA patients undergoing total hip/knee arthroplasty (ICD-9)

Intervention

- Multimodal analgesia vs opioids-only
- Systemic opioids + 1, 2, or >2 non-opioid analgesic modalities
 - NSAIDs, Cox-2 inhibitors, Acetaminophen/paracetamol, Peripheral nerve blocks, Steroids, Gabapentin/pregabalin, Ketamine



Multimodal pain management in OSA

Results

- · Stepwise beneficial effects with increasing number of nonopioid analgesic modes added to opioids
 - Opioid prescription dose
 - LOS
 - Gastrointestinal complications
 - Mechanical ventilation
 - Postoperative ICU
- · Strongest opioid sparing with Cox-2 inhibitors and NSAIDs
- Lower PCA use

Conclusion

- Multimodal analgesia associated with opioid sparing and reduced complications
- dose response gradient

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Opioid analgesia +	1 additional mode	2 additional modes	≥3 additiona modes
Opioid dose POD-1	-5.0%	-10.4%	-14.9%
Opioid dose POD-1+	-5.7%	-9.0%	-12.5%
LOS	-4.6%	-7.8%	-11.8%
Cost	-1.4%	-2.5%	-3.2%
GI complications	OR 0.75	OR 0.69	OR 0.65
Mechanical ventilation	OR 0.60	OR 0.33	OR 0.23
ICU admission	OR 0.81	OR 0.73	OR 0.60
PCA use	19.2%	13.7%	7.7%

Comparative effectiveness: GA vs RA

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CLINICAL PRACTICE

Anaesthetic care of patients undergoing primary hip and knee arthroplasty: consensus recommendations from the International Consensus on Anaesthesia-Related Outcomes after Surgery group (ICAROS) based on a systematic review and meta-analysis (ICAROS) based on a systematic review and meta-analysis Stavros G. Memtsoudis^{1,2,5}, Crispiana Cozovicz^{1,2}, Janis Bekeris^{1,2}, Dace Bekers¹, Jiahin Liu¹, Elem M. Soffm¹, Edward R. Mariano¹, Rebecca L. Johnson¹, Mary J. Hargett¹, Braldey H. Lee¹, Pamela Wende¹, Mark Broullette¹, George Go¹, Sang J. Kim¹, Lia Baaklin¹, Douglas Wettmore¹, Canewoo Hong², Re Goto¹, Bridget Ivaneilli¹, Finghy IArgyn⁴, Michael J. Barnington¹, Alain Borgeat², Jose De Andres^{5,10}, Nabil M. Elkassbany¹¹, Philippe E. Gautie¹⁷, Peter Cerner², Alaina Borgeat², Jose De Andres^{5,10}, Nabil M. Elkassbany¹¹, Philippe E. Gautie¹⁷, Peter Cerner², Alejandro Gonzalez Della Valle¹, Enrique Gozytozio¹, Paul Keslet²⁷, Sandra L. Kopp⁶, Patricia Lavand Homm⁴⁰, Catherine H. MacLean¹⁰, Carlos B. Mantilla¹, Daniel MacIsaac¹⁰, Jashvant Peeran¹⁰, Lazzos A. Poultsides¹⁷, Brian D. Sites²⁷, Otto Stundner², Dirc C. Sun⁹, Eugene R. Viscuel¹, Efforssyni G. Votta-Velis²⁰, Christopher L. Wu¹, Jacques T. Ya Deau¹ and Nigel E. Sharrock¹

Complications	NA vs. GA
Mortality	OR 0.67 CI 0.57-0.80
Pulmonary	OR 0.65 CI 0.52-0.80
CNS	OR 0.39 CI 0.23-0.65
Thromboembolism	OR 0.61 CI 0.53-0.71

	Author	RCTs	Outcomes decreased with Neuraxial anesthesia
2019	Memtsoudis	94	Mortality, pulmonary, renal, DVT, infections, blood transfusion
2014	Guay 9 Cochrane reviews	117	30-mortality, pneumonia
2016	Meng	8	LOS, intraoperative hypertension and tachycardia, analgesic requirement in the PACU, PONV
2016	Johnson	29	LOS
2016	Guay		Hypertension
2013	Barbosa		Pneumonia
2009	McFarlane	18	Postoperative pain, morphine consumption, opioid related adverse effects
2010	Luger	34	Mortality, reduced postoperative confusion, DVT, postoperative hypoxia, pneumonia
2006	Mauerman		DVT, PE, blood transfusions
2000	Parker	17	Mortality 30 day, DVT
2000	Rodgers	141	Mortality 30%, DVT 40%, pneumonia 50%, respiratory depression 60%, myocardial infarction, blood transfusion, wound infections renal failure

Quality of the Body of Evidence

Study design

Lack of RCTs, mostly observational, no causality, residual confounding

Risk of bias

- Accuracy of OSA identification: STOP-BANG, Berlin Questionnaire, PSG rarely
- OSA severity, which subpopulations are at higher perioperative risk?
- Surgical invasiveness
- OSA treatment and compliance e.g. CPAP
- Anesthesia and analgesia/consumption of anesthetics and narcotics
- Indication bias selection bias

Imprecision

Most studies do not reach OIS

Directness

- Sparseness of direct comparative effectiveness research in OSA
- Judgements regarding the strength of the association required

Consistency

- Results largely consistent in demonstrating detrimental effects of GA vs RA
- Consistency in size of effect

Publication bias

• Low risk

Lack of evidence on the impact of interventions of

precaution
e.g. CPAP, feasibility of randomization

Improved outcomes with regional anesthesia

Reduced complications and resource utilization

Avoidance of airway manipulation

Difficult airway

Rationale supporting regional anesthesia

Avoidance of neuromuscular blockade

Efficient pain relief

Altered pain and opioid sensitivity

Reduced consumption of opioids and anesthetic medication

Multimodal pain management

High vulnerability in patients with delayed arousal

Suppression of surgical catabolic stress response

Block of systemic endocrine catabolic response

Expedited mobilization/recovery

