

# Obstructive sleep apnea in high-risk pregnancy: An anesthesia update

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# **Learning objectives**

- Discuss the importance of OSA screening for high-risk groups of patients.
- Review the data regarding the adverse outcomes associated with OSA in pregnancy
- Compare the data regarding prevalence of OSA in pregnancy in higher risk populations to those in lower risk populations
- Discuss the known risk factors for OSA pregnancy
- Convey some strategies for optimizing care for these challenging patients.





40 years old; BMI =  $73 \text{ kg/m}^2$ 

37 weeks for repeat cesarean due to worsening maternal heart failure.

**Airway exam:** Mallampati class 4, thick neck with limited extension, adequate mouth opening.

PMH:

CHTN; severe OSA on BiPAP; Diastolic dysfunction; IDDM; Asthma

**Anesthetic:** Continuous lumbar spinal catheter – 10 mg bupivacaine

Positioned at 45 degrees for surgery due to dyspnea

Intraoperative BiPAP

Total surgical time: 240 minutes

Estimated blood loss: 3000 mL

Post-operative: SICU for monitoring and recovery; thoracic PCEA



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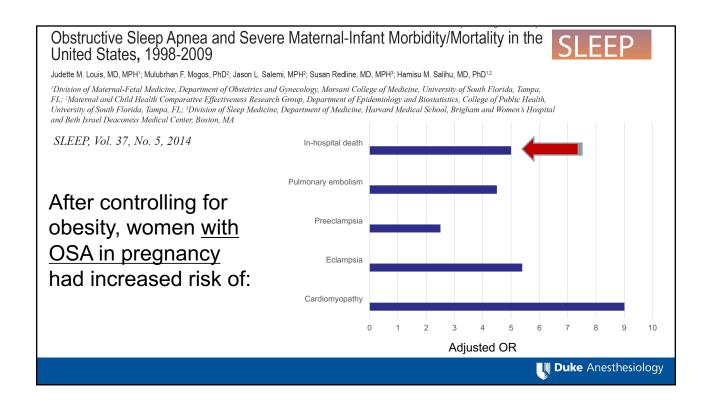
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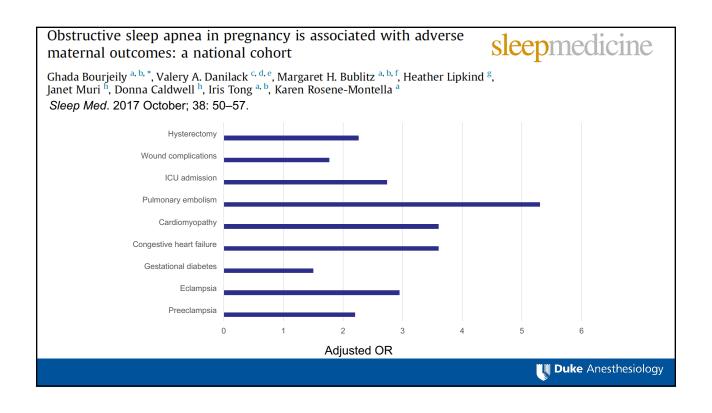
A Series of Anesthesia-related Maternal Deaths in Michigan, 1985–2003

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# OSA and obesity: Risk factors for anesthesia-related maternal mortality!

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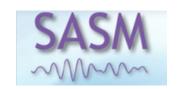
# **Prevalence of OSA in Pregnancy**

	Facco et al. 2017	Louis et al. 2012	Facco <i>et al.</i> 2012	Pien et al. 2014	Lockhart et al. 2015	Dominguez et al. 2018	Dominguez et al. unpublished
Cohort	N = 3600 NuMom2B	N = 182 BMI > 30	N = 114 BMI ≥ 30 or other high risk	N = 108 Mean BMI = 32	N = 248 Mean BMI = 30	N = 80 BMI <u>&gt;</u> 40	N = 100 50 CHTN; 50 normotensive; BMI = 38
Prevalence							
Early gestation	3%	15%	28%	11%			cHTN: 64% Controls:38%
Third trimester	8%			27%	12%	24%	

Louis J et al. Obstet Gynecol 2012;120(5):1085-92 Facco et al. JCSM 2012, 8(4). Lockhart et al. Obstet Gynecol 2015, 126(1). Pien G *et al. Thorax* 2014;**69:**371-377 Dominguez *et al. AJOG* 2018, 219 (6):613.e1–613.e10. Facco *et al. Obstet Gynecol* 2017, 129 (1): 31-41.



### Cesarean delivery rate is HIGH in this population!





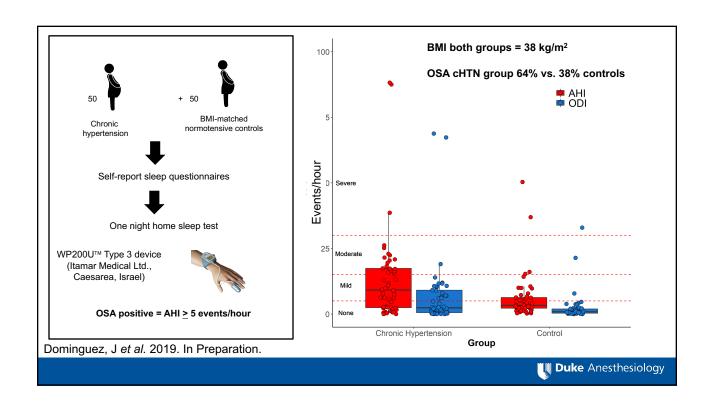
# Practice guidelines for general surgical patients— Preoperative evaluation and treatment of OSA is optimal.

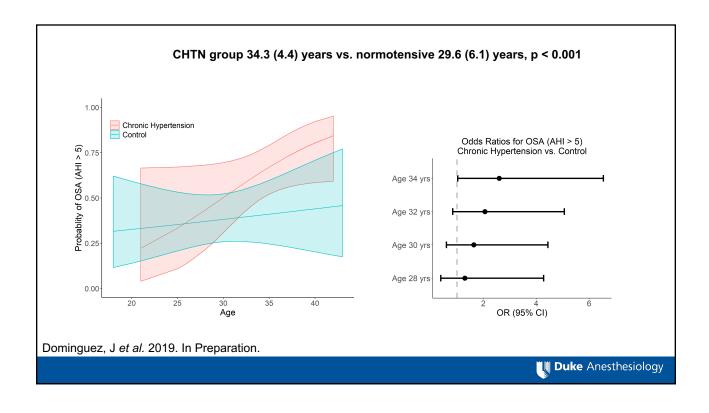
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Cohort	BMI > 30	BMI ≥ 30 or other high risk	Mean BMI = 32	BMI > 35	BMI ≥ 40	NuMom2B	CHTN
ВМІ	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
AGE	+	+	+		+	+	+
CHTN	+	+		+			+
Freq Snoring		+				+	
Witnessed apneas					+		
Fall asleep while talking				+			
Fall asleep while driving					+		
Neck circum					+		+
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# How to screen?

- · Validated approach still needed
- What's the best evidence for what is likely to be helpful?
  - AGE
  - BMI
  - Chronic Hypertension
  - +/- Frequent snoring

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# **Barriers to screening?**

- Still no data to suggest that treatment can mitigate associated adverse outcomes --> Buy in can be challenging.
- Limitations on the availability and timeliness of sleep medicine referrals and treatment during pregnancy.
- Variable patient cooperation with diagnosis and treatment.



#### **Peripartum management:**

Pre-anesthesia consult clinic visit for obstetric patients with known or suspected OSA

- History and medical records
- History of difficult airway or perioperative complications
- OSA screening and possible referral
- Physical exam
- Discussion with patient regarding delivery recommendations
- Encourage to bring CPAP to hospital for delivery admission



# III. Peripartum management

- Encourage early epidural
  - Avoid intravenous narcotics
  - Avoid sedatives/hyponotics
  - Decrease need to intubate for emergency CD
- 45-degree HOB elevation
- Home CPAP
- Multi-modal analgesia/opiate sparing post-op pain strategies
- Continuous pulse oximetry
- Consider post-op ICU/step-down depending on your institution for patients with severe OSA



# **Future directions**

- **Validated screening approach for OSA in pregnancy**
- Prospective studies of the impact of OSA treatment on maternal and fetal outcomes
- Studies to support clinical care pathways re: safe use of opiates for post-operative pain
- Non-opioid based analgesic modalities
- **Consensus guideline**



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