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Casistica clinica di PTT e SEU Aspetti intensivistici

A. Caricato

Reparto di Rianimazione

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Early diagnosis

Without treatment mortality rate 90%.

Up to 50% of deaths occurring within the first 24 h of presentation

Overall mortality rate 20%

Time from first clinical manifestation of the disease to the onset of plasmatherapy correlated to prognosis



Early diagnosis

High index of suspicion

- ✓ Microangiopathic anemia
- ✓ Peripheral thrombocytopenia
- ✓ (Organ dysfunction)

Organ involvement and clinical presentation

Organ involvement	Clinical presentation	Biological/radiological presentation
Neurologic	Cephalalgia Focal deficiency Seizure Altered conscience	Normal radiology Ischemic/hemorrhagic stroke Posterior reversible encephalopathy syndrome
Cardiologic	Angina Myocardial infarction Cardiac failure	Nonspecific ECG changes Raised cardiac enzymes Radiologic/echographic signs of cardiac failure
Renal	Hypertension Oliguria Proteinuria Hemoglobinuria	Uremia Hypercreatininemia Acute renal failure
Digestive	Abdominal pain (Bloody) diarrhea	Digestive tract microangiopathy Mesenteric ischemia

A proposal: the need for thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura Specialist Centres – providing better outcomes

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Case 1

45 yrs drug abuse
Jaundice, hematuria
Plt 10.000
Diagnosis of sepsis
Transfused
Dead during 2° PEX

Case 2

43 yrs
Hematuria
Plt 23.000
Urology
Transfused
Day 3 PEX considered
Confused with limb
weakness
Dead during
transferring

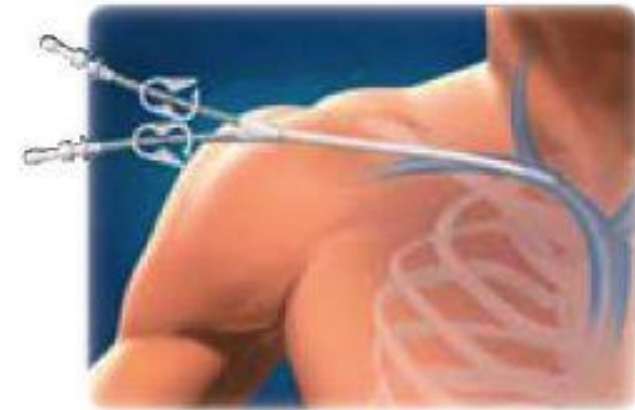
Key points

- 1 Diagnostic challenges exist even for seniors/specialists who are unfamiliar with seeing this patient group.
- 2 Delayed diagnosis and treatment impacts on survival.

Key points

- 1 There is a lack of awareness of potentially life threatening causes of thrombocytopenia and the urgent intervention required to diagnose TTP.
- 2 Neurological features indicate a severe clinical course and poor prognosis.
- 3 Treatment should not be delayed pending imaging as this rarely alters acute management.

Plasma exchange and CVC positioning



Platelet transfusion ?

Characterization of the complications associated with plasma exchange for thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura and related thrombotic microangiopathic anaemias: a single institution experience

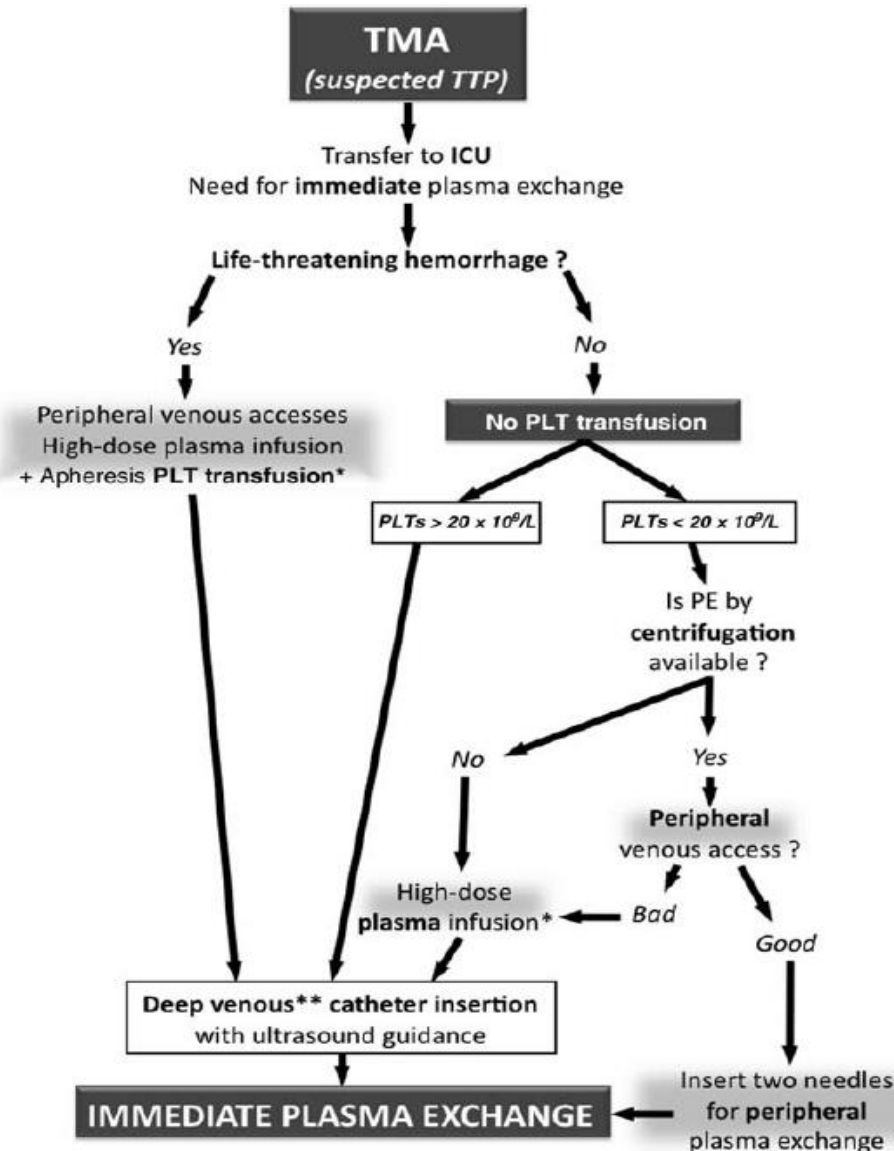
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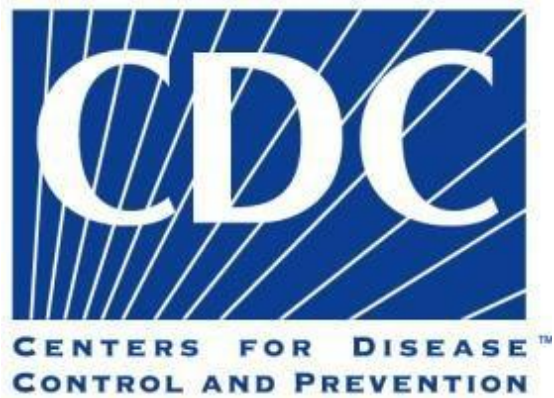
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267 Central Venous Lines
No bleeding
No pneumothorax
13 CVC related sepsis

No platelet approach





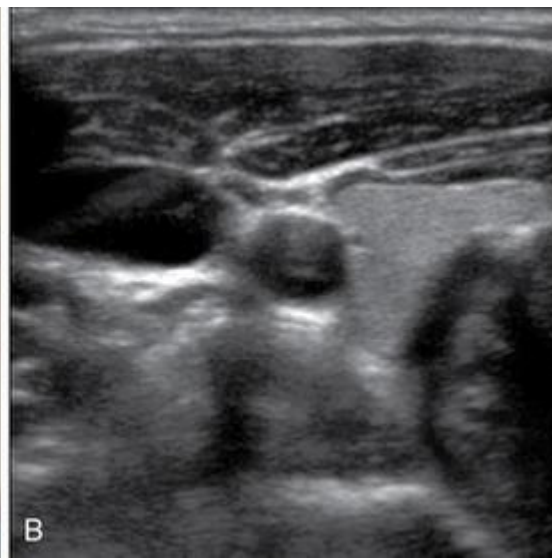
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Guidelines 2011

7. Usare la guida ecografica per posizionare i cateteri venosi centrali (ovunque questa tecnologia sia disponibile) così da ridurre il numero di tentativi di incannulamento e le complicanze meccaniche da venipuntura. La guida ecografica dovrebbe essere utilizzata da personale pienamente addestrato nell'utilizzo di questa tecnica. [60–64]. Categoria 1B

RApid CEntral Vein Assessment protocol



Terapia intensiva?



Indication to ICU

- Organ failure
 - Myocardial ischemia
 - Neurological deterioration
 - Renal impairment
- Hemorrhagic complications
- Hydroelectrolytic balance

Outcome

Univariate analysis

	Survivors (N=248)	Non-survivors (N=33)	P
Ethnicity			
Caucasians	209 (86)	29 (85)	0.70
Afro-Caribbeans	26 (11)	3 (9)	
Others	9 (4)	0	
Age (years old)	39.2±15.7	56.5±19.4	10-6
Females	167 (67)	23 (70)	0.79
Cardiovascular risk factors and pre-existing comorbidities			
Arterial hypertension	25 (10)	11 (33)	5.10 ⁴
Diabetes	16 (6)	3 (9)	0.57
Ischemic stroke	6 (2)	0 (0)	0.37
Ischemic heart disease	11 (4)	5 (15)	0.013
Cerebral involvement	145 (59)	27 (82)	0.018
Headache	62 (25)	5 (15)	0.21
Stupor	34 (14)	10 (30)	0.014
Seizure	16 (6)	7 (21)	0.004
Focal deficiency	41 (17)	10 (30)	0.94
Fever	60 (25)	9 (28)	0.69
Hemoglobin level (g/dL)	7.9±2.0	7.9±2.5	0.73
Reticulocyte count (N=179)	202±126	157±91	0.15
LDH level (xN) (N=232) [§]	5.8±4.2	8.3±4.8	0.06
LDH ≥ 10N (%) (N=232)	22 (9)	6 (21)	0.05
Platelet count (×10 ⁹ /L) [§]	19.1±19.0	20.0±2	0.97
Serum creatinine (μmol/L) [§]	116±88	172±118	0.008
Estimated glomerular filtration rate (mL/min) [§]	72.1±31	50.8±33	5.10 ⁻⁵
ANA (N=253)	114 (50)	13 (52)	0.84
APLA (N=187)	18 (11)	2 (10)	0.86
ADAMTS13 inhibitor (N=177)	118 (74)	13 (72)	0.92
IgG anti-ADAMTS13 Abs (U/mL) (N=90)	97±106	183±366	0.28

Outcome

Logistic regression

Table 4. Association between patients' characteristics and outcome by multivariable analysis.

	Odds Ratio	95% CI	P	Score
Cerebral involvement	2.6	[1.0, 6.9]	0.05	+1
Age			8.10 ⁻⁶	
≤40	1	-		+0
41-60	3.4	[1.2, 9.7]		+1
> 60	10.6	[2.0, 32.0]		+2
LDH level ≥ 10N	3.0	[1.3, 11.6]	0.014	+1

Outcome

Logistic regression

Table 3 Association between patients' characteristics and death by multivariable analysis

	Odds ratio (95% CI)	<i>P</i>
Troponin-I > 0.25 µg L ⁻¹	2.86 (1.13–7.22)	0.024
Age (years)		
≤ 40	1	0.7
41–60	1.54 (0.49–4.87)	
> 60	1.76 (0.48–6.54)	
Neurologic involvement	1.66 (0.58–4.78)	0.4
eGFR	0.61 (0.23–1.63)	0.32

eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate (mL min⁻¹); CI, confidence interval. *P* < 0.05 was considered to be statistically significant. Significant values appear in bold.

Unresponsive TTP

*Second line treatment
More than 15 PEX
Death*

Incidence 43%

	Odds ratio	Confidence interval 95 %	P value
Age >60 years old	7.90	1.06–78.34	0.04
Neurological signs at presentation			
Headaches	8.04	1.27–51.03	0.02
Severe symptoms	1.71	0.42–7.09	0.45
Cardiac signs at presentation ^a	3.44	1.63–16.39	<0.01
Platelet rate <15,000/μl at day 2	3.88	1.30–11.62	0.01

Supportive care in ICU

- Monitor level of consciousness, cerebral electric activity
- Prevention of cardiac failure
 - Low dose aspirin if $PLT > 50 \cdot 10^9/l$
- Blood transfusion (consider troponin)
- Strict blood pressure control
- Deep vein thrombosis prophylaxis
 - LMWH if $PLT > 50 \cdot 10^9/l$

Dimission from ICU

Clinical remission?

*Normalization of neurological examination,
platelet count above 150.000,
normal lactic dehydrogenase (LDH) level,
and increasing hemoglobin level*

Improvement?

*Improvement of hemolytic activity,
peripheral thrombocytopenia,
and organ ischemia (LDH, troponin level)*

Normalization of organ failure
indexes?