

2016-11-16 PH&RM Critical Care Education - 2016 Literature

A 70 kg 54 year old male with pneumonia and septic shock requires helicopter retrieval from Bathurst to Nepean. He is intubated on SIMV FiO₂ 0.8 PEEP 10 TV 500 f16 Spont rate 18 PeakAP 40 HR 115 AF ABP 75/42 Sedated on morphine/midazolam 12 lead ECG: AF, nil else.

CXR: Bilateral widespread patchy infiltrates with extensive consolidation right lower lobe
Has had: iv ceftriaxone and azithromycin, 4 litres Hartmann's
Is on: noradrenaline at 40 ml/hr of a 4mg/100ml concentration

pH 7.2 pCO₂ 50 pO₂ 80 HB 85 SO₂ 91% Na 137 K 5.4 Ca 0.9 Lac 6 BE - 8 HCO₃ 16 Creatinine 120, nil urine in IDC

1. How will you decide whether to give more fluid, and how much?
2. What validated fluid responsiveness tools exist for such a patient?
3. What are the limitations of any fluid responsiveness assessment?
4. What steps would you consider in improving his haemodynamics?
5. What is the role of steroids?
6. The ACC consultant recommends starting vasopressin. What dose would you use and what is the evidence for its effect on mortality, blood pressure, and kidney failure free days?
7. Is there a role for levosimendan if his echo shows impaired LV systolic function?

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