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Acute or chronic liver failure: Can we predict the outcome?

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Acute liver failure (ALF) and acute-on-chronic liver failure (ACLF) usually mandate management within an intensive care unit (ICU). Some current ICU prognostic models [Acute Physiology and Chronic Health Evaluation (APACHE), Organ System Failure (OSF) and Sequential Organ Failure Assessment (SOFA)] were used to stratify cirrhotics into risk categories, but few cirrhotics were included in the original model development. Liver-specific scores [Child-Turcotte-Pugh (CTP) and model for end-stage liver disease (MELD)] could be useful in this setting. The aim of this presentation will be evaluation whether ICU prognostic models perform better compared with liver-disease specific ones in cirrhotics admitted to ICU, and it is possible to outline the best prognostic tool.

Biography

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