Control of CVP, during major liver resection, by total intravenous anesthesia (TIVA) using target control infusion (TCI)

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We report our experience about the effectiveness of Total Intravenous Anesthesia (TIVA)-by Target Control Infusion (TCI) during major liver resection, in control of CVP, which is very important to reduce bleeding and transfusion of red packed cell. We studied 20 patients, of median age 67, 50, IQR 60-70,range 38-81 , 14 male and 6 female, ASA physical status II-III, with primary and metastatic liver tumors, undergoing to major hepatic resection. All of them were anesthetized by TIVA-TCI technique with propofol (Schnider site effect model) and remifentanil (Minto site effect model) that were titrated manually, and cisatracurium given by boluses.

The parameters studied during operation were : median arterial pressure (MAP); central venous pressure(CVP); blood loss; and Hb levels before and at the end of surgery; fluids.

All patients were estubated at the end of operation ; patient ASA II were admitted to ward , instead the patient ASA III were admitted to the postoperative intensive care unit, nobody required postoperative ventilation. No postoperative mortality and major morbidity were observed. Only two patients were transfused with red packed cell (1 unit each), one of them was cardiac patient and his Hb fell 8.9g/dl, and the second was a young woman, whose Hb before surgery was 9g/dl and fell to 7g/dl. The CVP was maintained under levels of 4 cmH2O median values, IQR 3-5, range -3-6.

The MAP median value 73 mmHg, IQR 67-80. The blood loss range was 50-1000ml, median value 420 ml; the median of Hb was 11.52 g/dl IQR 10.31-13.00, range 7-14.

This anesthetic management to obtain reduction of CVP and of massive volume blood loss seems appropriate in this type of surgery, where the control of bleeding is crucial for short and long-term out come of the patients.

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