

Updates on Practical Implementation of Early Mobility in the ICU

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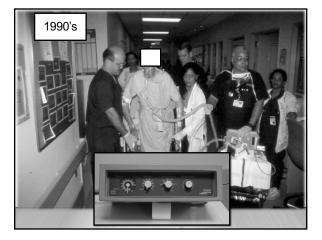
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- I have no potential financial interests to report
- Every patient picture in this lecture has a signed consent from the patient and/or family

Learning Objectives

- Identify absolute and relative contraindications to mobilizing critically ill patients in the ICU
- Implement strategies for early mobilization of ICU patients

My clinical experience as physical therapist in ICU for more than 30 years...



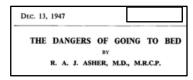
OVERVIEW OF EARLY MOBILITY IN ICU



Is Early Mobility something new??

- 1817: One of the oldest examples of early ambulation after surgery
- 1899: Early rising after surgery, unusual post-operative regimen...

Brieger GH. Early Ambulation: A study in the history of surgery. Ann. Surg. April 1983



"It is my intention to justify putting beds and graves in the same category..."

"We should think twice before ordering our patients to bed and realizing that beneath the comfort of the blanket lurks a host of formidable dangers"

British Medical Journal. Dec 13, 1947. Pg 967

Bedrest in the 1940's...

- 1944: Dock W. The Evil Sequelae Of Complete Bed Rest. JAMA;125(16): 1083–1085.
- 1944: Powers JH. The Abuse Of Rest As A Therapeutic Measure In Surgery: Early Postoperative Activity And Rehabilitation. . JAMA. ;125(16):1079–1083.
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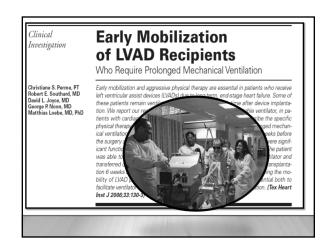
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"The therapeutic value of this early ambulation has been well documented in our Intensive Care Unit by improved sense of well being and the increased general strength the patient develops from physical activity."



Burns et al. Early ambulation of patients requiring ventilatory assistance. Chest 1975; 68: 608

"It is our impression that with early ambulation, weaning has been facilitated and hastened, and the problems of prolonged bed and chair rest minimized."





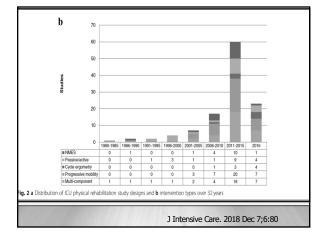
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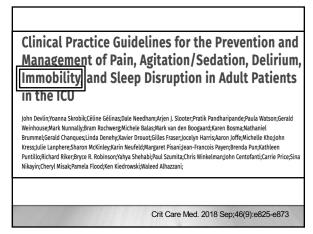
- 70 years later...
 - Safe, feasible and improves physical function!
 - It can reduce Delirium!
 - It can reduce length of hospital stay and costs!



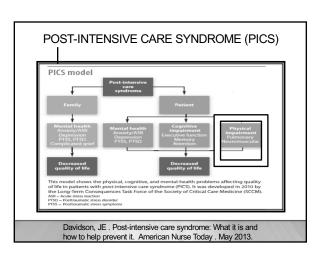
- Scoping review to determine the extent of ICU Rehab interventions and how they were reported and measured
- Included 117 publications (out of 1429 full-texts)

J Intensive Care. 2018 Dec 7;6:80





What is the reason for adding "immobility" to PAD?



PADIS- IMMOBILITY **Question**

For adult critically ill patients:

 Is rehab/mobilization beneficial in improving patient, family, or health system outcomes compared with usual care, a different rehab/ mobilization intervention, placebo, or sham intervention?

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PADIS: IMMOBILITY

- Authors suggest performing rehabilitation or mobilization in critically ill adults
 - Conditional recommendation
 - Low quality of evidence

Panel members agreed that the desirable consequences for patients probably outweigh the undesirable consequences!

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CONSEQUENCES OF BEDREST AND IMMOBILITY

- Shifting of body fluids from the extremities in the thorax
- Decreased total blood volume
- Decreased ventilation, atelectasis, secretion retention
- Increased calcium excretion
- Muscle weakness and joint contractures
- Emotional and behavior disorders





CONSEQUENCES OF BEDREST AND

- · Pressure ulcers
- Deep vein thrombosis (DVT)
- Pneumonia
- Urinary tract infection (UTI) due to fluid stasis in kidneys
- Increased morbidity and mortality
- Prolonged length of stay
- Increased cost



Prolonged, unnecessary bed rest and immobility in ICU puts patients at risk for systemic complications! Brain Heart Muscles Bowels Skin

AACN Advanced Crit Care 20(2009) 254-266

What is the impact of bedrest and immobility?

Skeletal muscle strength decline:

- Strict bed rest: ~ 1% to 1.5 % per day
- Limbs immobilized by cast: ~ 5% to 6% per day



Crit Care Clin 23(2007) 97-110



"Early Rehab" x "Early Mobility" in ICU...

"EARLY REHAB IN ICU"

PHYSICAL THERAPY:

• Education

- Positioning
- Exercises
- Transfers
- Walking Re-education
- · Chest Physical Therapy
- Others...

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY:

- Education
- Positioning
- Exercises/Transfers
- ADLS
- Splints
- Cognition/Communication
- Others...

"EARLY MOBILITY IN ICU"

In-bed mobility:

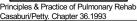
- Passive ROM exercises
- Turn side to side
- Sitting on the side of the bed
- Active exercises

OOB mobility:

- Standing at bedside
- Sitting in a:
- Regular chair
- Stretcher chair
- Walking

GENERAL MOBILITY IS BASIC NURSING CARE!







What influences the nurses' decision to mobilize the critically ill patient?

- Interview- 12 critical care nurses at a large urban district hospital
- Inconsistent knowledge about the benefits of mobilizing patients

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What influences the nurses' decision to mobilize the critically ill patient?

- Decision-making was influenced by:
 - Time constrain
 - · Staffing levels
 - Unit demands
- · Mobilization was deemed to be a low priority!



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PADIS- Question #1 For adult critically ill patients...

 Is receiving rehab/mobilization commonly associated with patient-related <u>safety events or</u> <u>harm</u>?

Serious safety events or harms <u>do not occur</u> commonly during physical rehabilitation or mobilization!

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PADIS- Question #2 For adult critically ill patients...

When is **safe to initiate** rehab/mobilization?

Stability in cardiovascular, respiratory, and neurologic status!

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PADIS- Question #3 For adult critically ill patients...

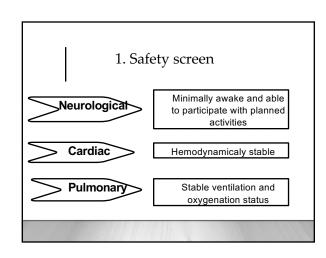
When rehab/mobilization should be **stopped**?

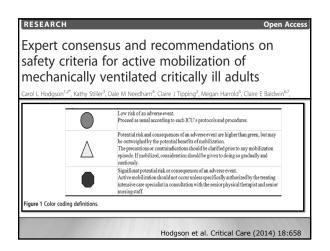
Development of <u>new</u> cardiovascular, respiratory, and neurologic instability!

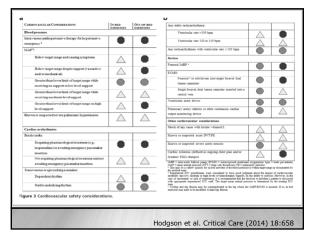
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EARLY MOBILITY AND REHAB IN ICU: Patient selection

- 1. Safety screen
- 2. Absolute & relative contraindications for out of bed mobility







WHO SHOULD BE OUT OF BED?

EVERYONE!

EXCEPT WHO **SHOULD NOT** BE OUT OF BED...

Absolute & relative contraindications for out of bed

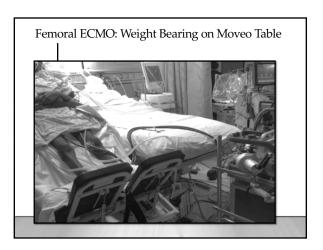
- <u>Unstable fractures</u>
- Patients on neuromuscular blockade
- Hemodynamic instability: escalating dose/multiple vasopressors
- Significant oxygenation dysfunction requiring high levels of oxygen
- Open chest/open abdomen



2. Absolute & relative contraindications for out of bed

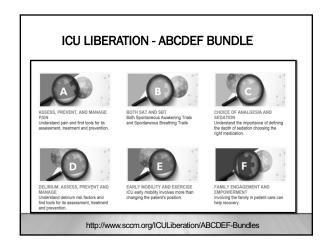
- Cerebral edema with uncontrolled intra-cranial pressure
- Active bleeding
- Pacer dependent with transvenous temporary pacemaker
- Femoral arterial sheath
- Intra-aortic balloon pump on femoral artery
- ECMO with femoral cannulation

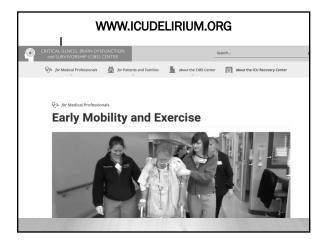




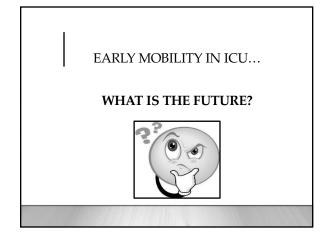
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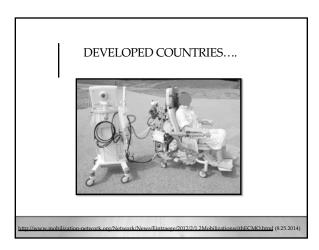
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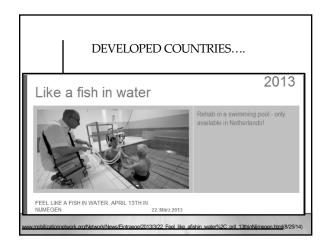


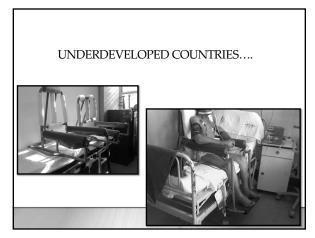










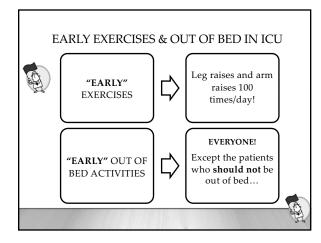


Strategies to implement Early Mobility & Exercises in daily practice... Can we implement simple strategies for early mobility in ICU which can be used and sustained...

FOR EVERY PATIENT?

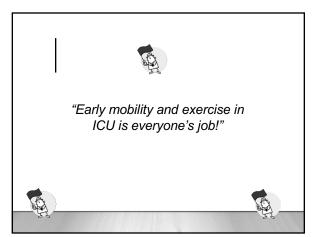
EVERY DAY?

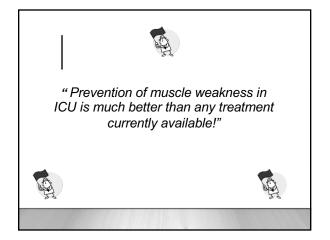
IN EVERY ICU?











Learning Assessment - Question #1

Which of the following are absolute contraindications for out of bed activities in ICU?

a. Unstable fractures

b. Patients on neuromuscular blockage

c. Hemodynamic instability requiring escalating doses of vasopressors/multiple vasopressors

d. All of the above

Learning Assessment - Question # 2

• Early mobility in ICU includes in bed and out of bed activities.

• True

• False

