

Preeclampsia. Eclampsia



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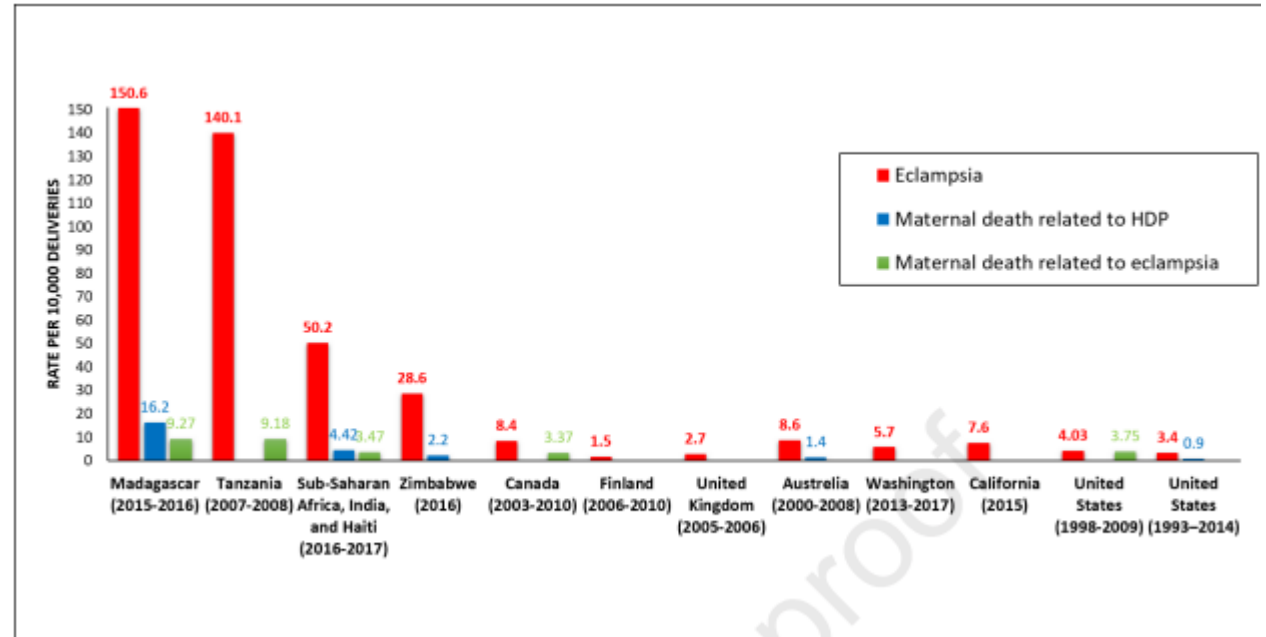


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INCIDENCE

- 10% of pregnancies complicated by hypertensive disorder (HDP)
- Eclampsia in 0,8% of women with HDP
- 1,6-10 per 10000 deliveries in developed countries
- About 50-151 per 10000 deliveries in developing countries



Eclampsia in the 21 st century. M. Fishel Bartal et al; AJOG 2020



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PREECLAMPSIA

Preeclampsia is defined as hypertension with or without proteinuria or other end-organ effects (thrombocytopenia, kidney insufficiency, impaired liver function with transaminases greater than twice normal, pulmonary edema, and new onset headache unresponsive to medications or visual symptoms, and or FGR)

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ECLAMPSIA

The occurrence of one or more generalized, tonic-clonic convulsions unrelated to other medical conditions (in women with hypertensive disorder in pregnancy)

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...antepartum, intrapartum or postpartum



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Headache	50-75%
Visual disturbance	20-30%
Right upper quadrant or epigastric pain	15-20%

Fetal manifestations:

Bradycardia during and immediately after an eclamptic seizure
Compensatory tachycardia and loss of variability



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Adverse outcomes

- Placental abruption
- HELLP
- Acute and renal failure
- Stroke
- Hepatic rupture



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H: hemolysis
EL: elevate liver enzyme
LP: low platelets count



ECLAMPSIA

DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS

Table 1: Differential diagnosis of seizure during pregnancy or postpartum

Potential causes of seizures in pregnancy and post-partum
Seizure disorder
Pregnancy related <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Eclampsia ○ Thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura ○ Amniotic fluid emboli
Neurovascular <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Intracranial hemorrhage ○ Subarachnoid hemorrhage (ruptured aneurysm or malformation) ○ Arterial embolism or thrombosis ○ Cerebral venous thrombosis ○ Angiomas ○ Space occupying lesion (benign, neoplastic, primary, metastatic) ○ Posterior reversible encephalopathy syndrome (PRES) ○ Congenital brain defects
Metabolic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Liver/renal failure ○ Hypoglycemia ○ Hyponatremia ○ Hyperosmolar states (hyperosmolar nonketotic hyperglycemia) ○ Hypocalcaemia
Autoimmune <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Systemic lupus erythematosus ○ Antiphospholipid syndrome
Infectious encephalitis/meningitis: bacterial, viral, parasitic, tuberculosis
Drug/substance overdose/withdrawal {i.e antipsychotics, tricyclic antidepressants, salicylate overdose, withdrawal from alcohol, barbiturates, benzodiazepines, illicit drug use such as cocaine, methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA)}
Trauma
Psychogenic nonepileptic seizures (pseudoseizures)



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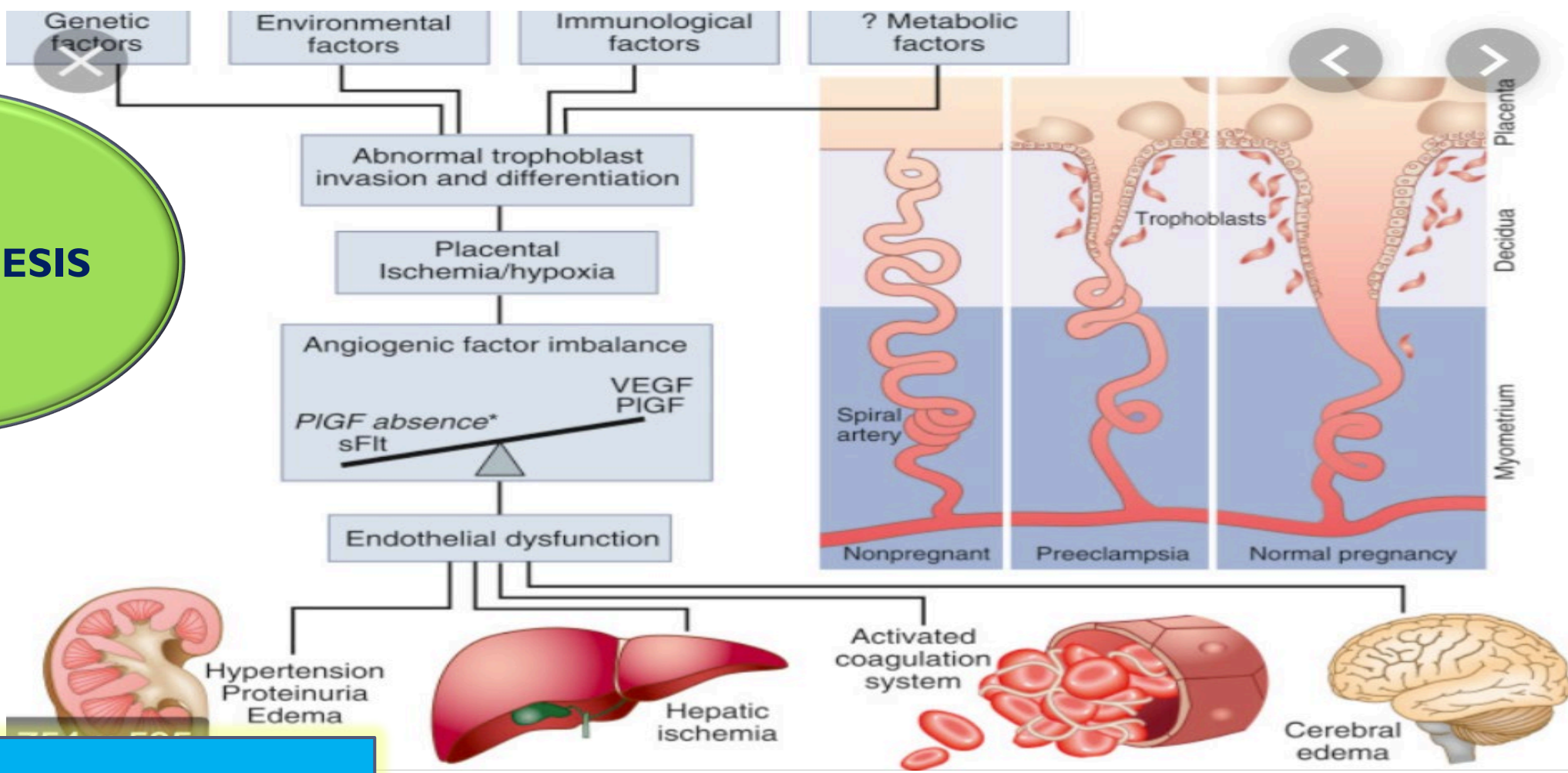
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PATHOGENESIS



Several hypotheses... none has been proved



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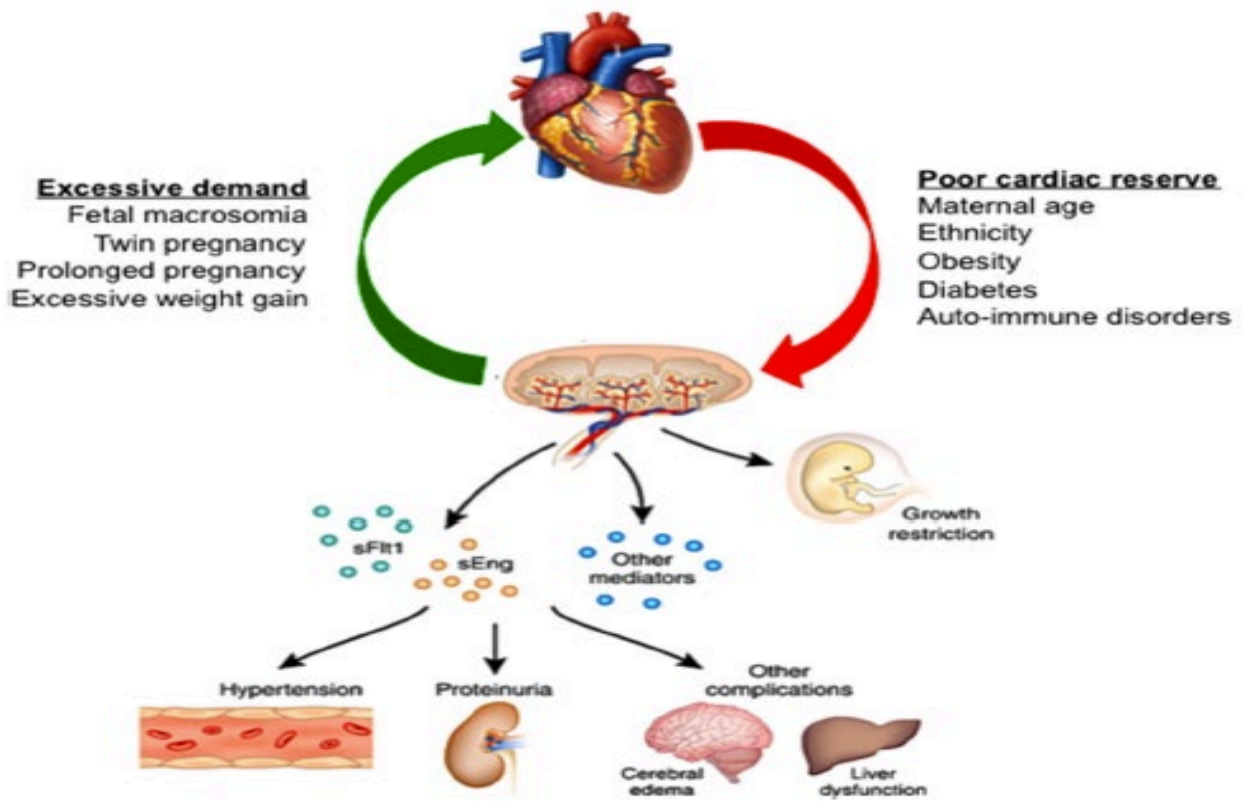
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MISCELLANY

Check for updates

Hemodynamic guided treatment of hypertensive disorders in pregnancy: is it time to change our mind?

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Table 1. Proposal of the drug choice based on maternal hemodynamic features.

Parameter	High	Low
Maternal heart rate	>90 bpm Alpha and Beta Blockers (alpha methyldopa, Labetalol), calcium channel blockers (Amlodipine but not Nifedipine)	<70 bpm Calcium channel blockers (Nifedipine), NO donors ^a + fluids
Cardiac output	> 8 L/min Alpha and Beta Blockers (alpha methyldopa, Labetalol)	<5 L/min Calcium channel blockers (Nifedipine), NO donors ^a + fluids
Peripheral vascular resistance	>1400 dyne s.s.cm ⁻⁵ Calcium channel blockers (Nifedipine), NO donors ^a + fluids	<900 dyne s.s.cm ⁻⁵ Alpha and Beta Blockers (alpha methyldopa, Labetalol)

^aNitric oxide (NO) donors have been used in the past but there is no clear indication on their use, although our group found a positive effect when associated to fluids in gestational hypertensive patients and fetal growth restriction [5,6].



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MANAGEMENT

ACUTE CARE

- **Prevent maternal injury**
- **Venous access**
- **Airway patency**
- **Oxygenation**

STABILIZE MATERNAL CONDICTION

- **Blood pressure control**
- **Prevent convulsions**

DELIVERY

- **After stabilize maternal condiction**
- **based on gestational age, Bishop score, fetal and maternal condition**



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**blood pressure control
(limit cardiovascular and
cerebrovascular morbidity)**

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**Magnesium therapy
(prevention of eclampsia)**

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BLOOD PRESSURE CONTROL

<i>Time</i>	LABETALOL	HYDRALAZINE	NIFEDIPINE
<i>Min</i>	IV (mg)	IV (mg)	Oral (mg)
0	20	5-10	10
10	SBP ≥ 160 or DBP ≥ 110 40	Check Blood pressure	Check Blood pressure
20	SBP ≥ 160 or DBP ≥ 110 80	SBP ≥ 160 or DBP ≥ 110 10	SBP ≥ 160 or DBP ≥ 110 20
30	SBP ≥ 160 or DBP ≥ 110 10, Hydralazine	Check Blood pressure	Check Blood pressure
40	Check Blood pressure	SBP ≥ 160 or DBP ≥ 110 40, Labetalol	SBP ≥ 160 or DBP ≥ 110 20
50	SBP ≥ 160 or DBP ≥ 110 Consult	SBP ≥ 160 or DBP ≥ 110 Consult	SBP ≥ 160 or DBP ≥ 110 20, Labetalol Consult



TREATMENT OF CONVULSIONS

MAGNESIUM SULFATE

- 4-6 gr over 15-20 min
- Maintenance infusion 2 gr/h (range 2-6gr/h)
- Second bolus of 2 gr over 3-5 min (10% second convulsions)
- Lorazepam 4 mg iv over 3-5 min

Adverse effects

Oliguria, loss of deep tendon reflexes, respiratory depression, cardiac arrest



Adverse effects

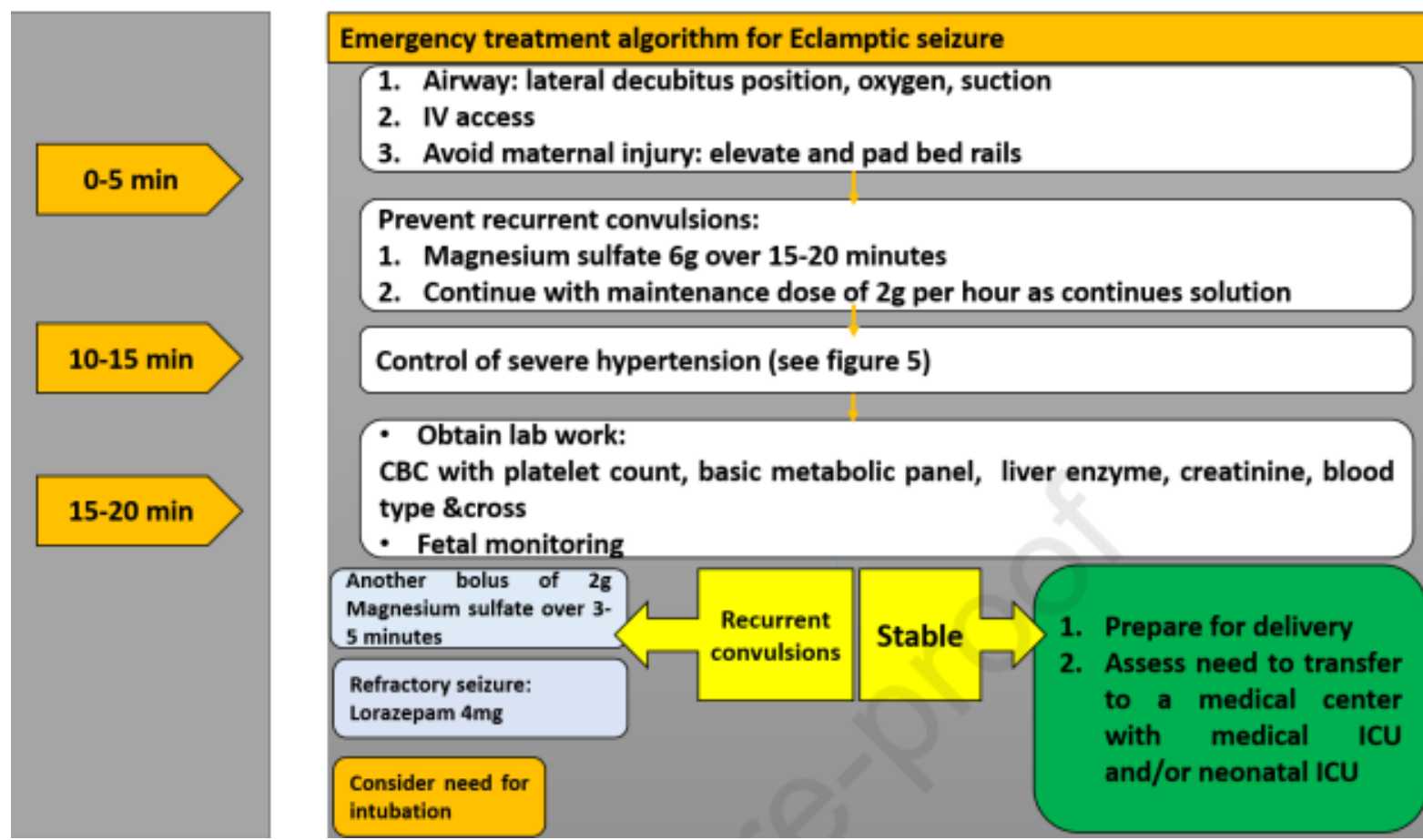
Loss of deep reflexes: stop infusion

Oliguria (less than 30 ml/h for more of 4 hours): halve the maintenance dose (1 g/h)

Respiratory depression: stop infusion, calcium gluconate 10% solution 10 ml iv over 3 min, oxygenation...may require intubation

Cardiac arrest: cardiopulmonary resuscitation

MAGNESIUM LEVELS EVERY 4-6 HOURS





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...thanks!!