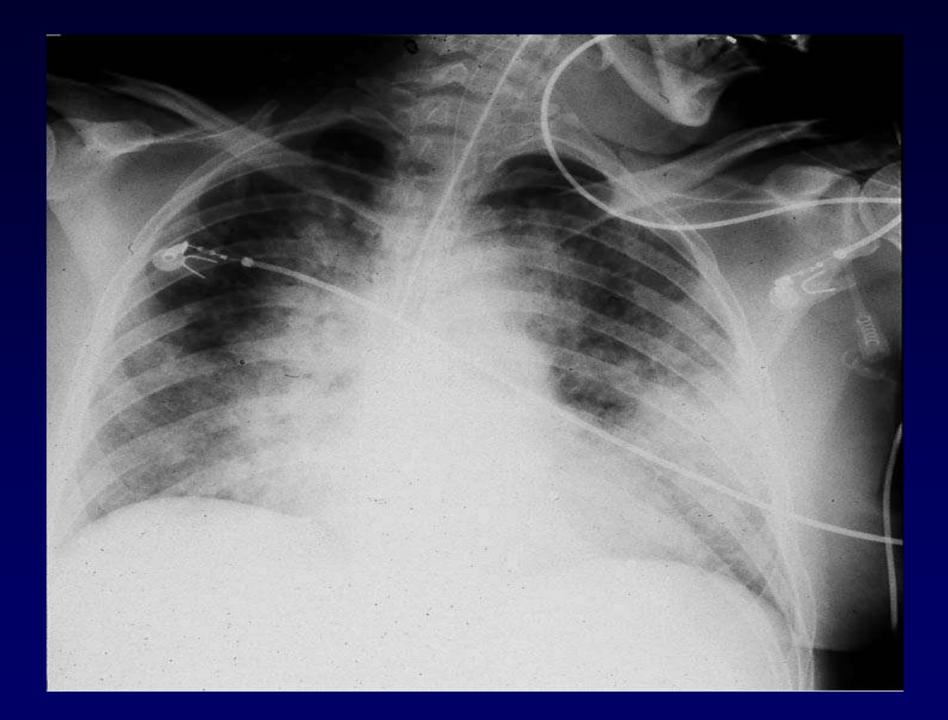
# ARDS and treatment strategies

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#### **ARDS: Definitions**

- History of predisposing condition
- Refractory hypoxaemia of acute onset
  - PaO<sub>2</sub>/FiO<sub>2</sub> ratio:
    - <40 ALI
    - <27 ARDS
- Bilateral pulmonary infiltrates (CXR)
- Absence of left ventricular dysfunction

#### **ARDS: Definitions**

• The 1994 American-European Consensus Conference (AECC) definition has considerable issues regarding reliability and validity.....

- Using a consensus process, a panel of experts convened in 2011 (EISCM, ATS and SCCM) developed the Berlin Definition, focusing on feasibility, reliability, validity, and objective evaluation of its performance.
- Marco Ranieri, Gordon D. Rubenfeld, B. Taylor Thompson, Niall D. Ferguson, Ellen Caldwell, Eddy Fan, Luigi Camporota, and Arthur S. Slutsky,

- Proposed 3 mutually exclusive categories of ARDS based on degree of hypoxemia:
  - mild (PaO<sub>2</sub>/FIO<sub>2</sub> 200 300 mm Hg),
  - moderate (PaO<sub>2</sub>/FIO<sub>2</sub> 100 200 mm Hg),
  - severe  $(PaO_2/FIO_2 \le 100 \text{ mm Hg})$
- <u>and</u> 4 ancillary variables for severe ARDS: radiographic severity,
  - respiratory system compliance (≤40 mL/cm H<sub>2</sub>O),
  - positive end-expiratory pressure ( $\geq$ 10 cm H<sub>2</sub>O),
  - corrected expired volume per minute (≥10 L/min).

- The draft Berlin Definition was evaluated using meta-analysis of 4188 patients with ARDS from 4 multicenter trials and 269 patients with ARDS from 3 single-centre data sets.
- The 4 ancillary variables did not contribute to the predictive validity of severe ARDS for mortality and were removed from the definition.

#### Severity related to outcome:

- Mortality
  - Mild 27%; (CI, 24%-30%)
  - Moderate 32%; (CI, 29%-34%)
  - Severe 45%; (CI, 42%-48%), (P < .001)
- Duration of mechanical ventilation in survivors
  - Mild 5 days [IQR], 2-11;
  - Moderate 7 days [IQR, 4-14]
  - Severe 9 days [IQR, 5-17] (P < .001).
- Predictive value for mortality improved:
  - Berlin Definition area under the receiver operating curve of 0.577 (95% CI, 0.561-0.593)
  - AECC 0.536 (95% CI, 0.520-0.553; *P* < .001). *JAMA*. 2012;():1-8. doi:10.1001/jama.2012.5669

#### Still some problems

- Too broad a church
- What is acute?
- Role of CXR?
- What of inflammation?
- What of heart failure?
- Epidemiological or clinical?

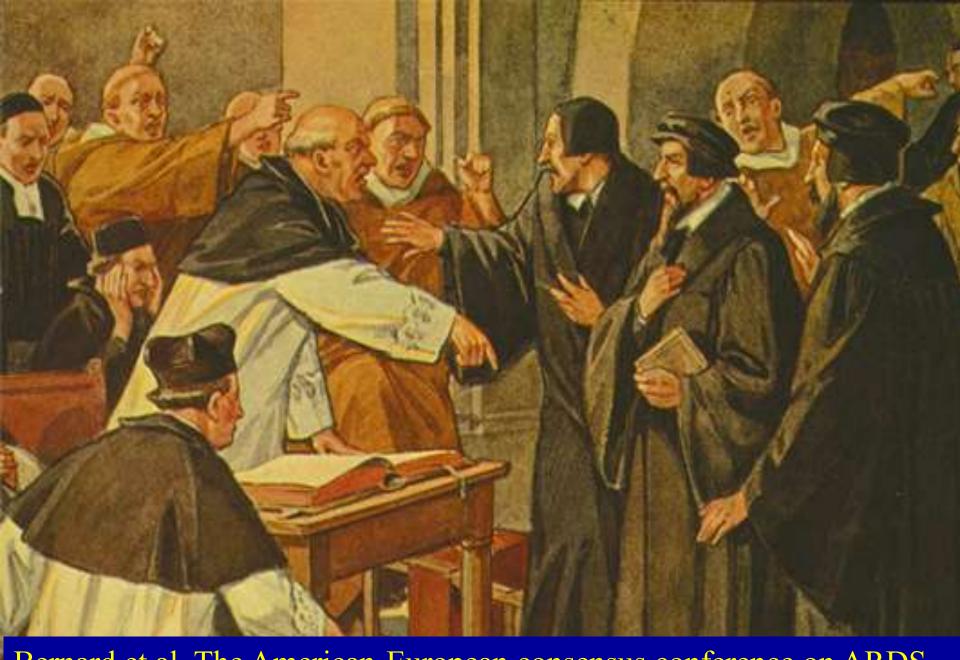
#### Lets just do those sums...

#### PaO<sub>2</sub> of 10 kPa

- $-\operatorname{FiO}_2$  of 0.8 (80% oxygen)
- $-\operatorname{FiO}_2$  of 0.6 (60% oxygen)
- $-\operatorname{FiO}_2$  of 0.4 (40% oxygen)
- $-FiO_2$  of 0.3 (30% oxygen)
- FiO<sub>2</sub> of 0.26 (26% oxygen)
- $\overline{-\text{FiO}_2}$  of 0.21 (air)

#### PaO<sub>2</sub>/FiO<sub>2</sub> ratio

- 12.5 ARDS
- 16.7 ARDS
- 25 ARDS
- 33.3 ARDS
- 38.5 ARDS
- 47.6 normal



Bernard et al. The American-European consensus conference on ARDS. *Am J Respir Crit Care Med* 1994

#### ARDS: Treatment



#### **ARDS: Treatment**

- Oxygen therapy
- Treat cause
- Organ support
  - respiratoryNIPPV/IPPV
  - cardiac myocardial depression/sepsis
- Other treatments
  - Ventilatory strategies, Oscillator, ECMO, Novolung,
     Paralysis, Steroids Nitric Oxide, [Statins, Interferon-β,
     Heliox, Surfactant, Antioxidants, immunomodulation..]
- Avoid mistakes

## Controversies in Management

- What oxygen level?
- Which ventilation mode?
- What PEEP?
- When to CT?
- Rescue therapies: inverse ratio, prone, NO, >30 cmH<sub>2</sub>0, oscillation, ECMO etc.
- What  $CO_2$ ?
- Fluid management?

- What Hb?
- Drugs: neuromuscular blockers, steriods, sildenafil, interferon-beta, statins, beta<sub>2</sub> agonists, surfactant, ...
- What mode to wean?
- When to tracheostamise?
- Future oxygen / CO<sub>2</sub> removal and negative pressure ventilation?

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#### VENTILATION WITH LOWER TIDAL VOLUMES AS COMPARED WITH TRADITIONAL TIDAL VOLUMES FOR ACUTE LUNG INJURY AND THE ACUTE RESPIRATORY DISTRESS SYNDROME

THE ACUTE RESPIRATORY DISTRESS SYNDROME NETWORK\*

- 20 medical centres 1996 1999, stopped after 3 years n=861 (proposed 1600).
- Compared TV 12ml/kg (plateau <50cmH<sub>2</sub>O) versus TV 6ml/kg (plateau < 30cm H<sub>2</sub>O).
- Relative reduction in mortality of 22% (absolute 9%: 31 vs 39.8%)

### Problems (1)

- Unethical(?) exposure of controls to excess
   TV
- Not clear whether reduction in TV or reduction in plateau pressure or hypercapnic acidosis that conveys benefits
- Very wide scatter of TV and plateau pressure before trial entry
- Patients excluded from trial had significantly lower mortality than controls (Ferguson, 2005; Deans, 2005)



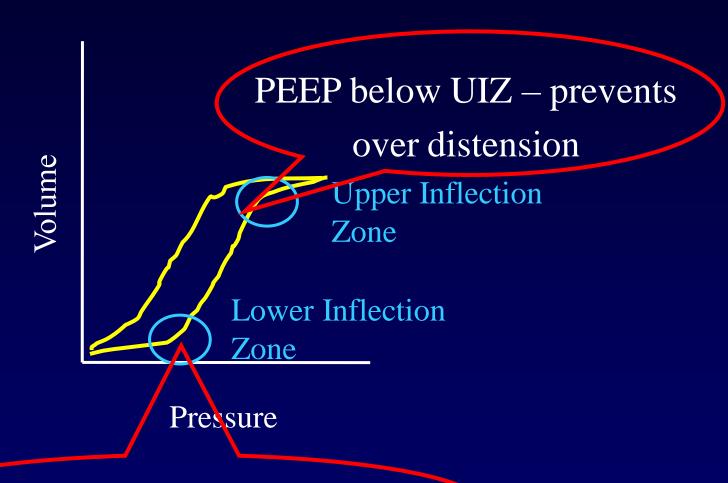
## ARDS: Ventilatory protocol



#### The Baby Lung concept



#### PEEP and PV curves



PEEP above the LIZ keeps lung open



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Higher versus Lower Positive End-Expiratory Pressures in Patients with the Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome

The National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute ARDS Clinical Trials Network\*

#### High vs low PEEP: ALVEOLI trial

- 549 patients
- 6ml/kg TV, plateau pressure < 30 cm water
- Randomised to low or high PEEP.
- No difference in outcome.

#### **Correct Level of PEEP: LOVE**

**Lung Open Ventilation Trial (Canada)** 

**Primary endpoint: Hospital mortality** 

n=983, 30 centres
Inclusion: PF ratio <250

6 ml/kg VT

Plateau pressure <40 cm H<sub>2</sub>0 (LOVE)

Plateau pressure <30 cm H<sub>2</sub>0

#### **Correct Level of PEEP: LOVE**

**Lung Open Ventilation Trial (Canada)** 

LOVE group developed less refractory hypoxaemia and had less 'rescue' therapies

No change in primary endpoint

Concluded that strategy was safe

#### **Correct Level of PEEP: Express**

**Prospective RCT, 37 French ICUs** 

Primary endpoint: Death at 28 days

Inclusion: PF ratio <300

6 ml/kg VT

'Minimal distension' – PEEP 5-9 cm H<sub>2</sub>0

'Maximal recruitment' – PEEP increased to achieve plateau pressure 28-30 cm H<sub>2</sub>0

#### **Correct Level of PEEP: Express**

Improved oxygenation in the high PEEP group

Increased ventilator-free days and organ supported days in high PEEP group

No change in primary or secondary endpoints



#### **Correct Level of PEEP: Express**

**Subgroup analysis** 

In most hypoxic patients at start of trial there was improved mortality in the high PEEP group

??High PEEP in targeted groups??

### High Frequency Oscillation (HFO)

- Oscar Trial HTA funded UK mechanical ventilation trial
- normal 6 mls/kg <30 cm H20 vs High Frequency Oscillation
- Recruitment closed. @800 patients. Results November

#### **Prone Ventilation**

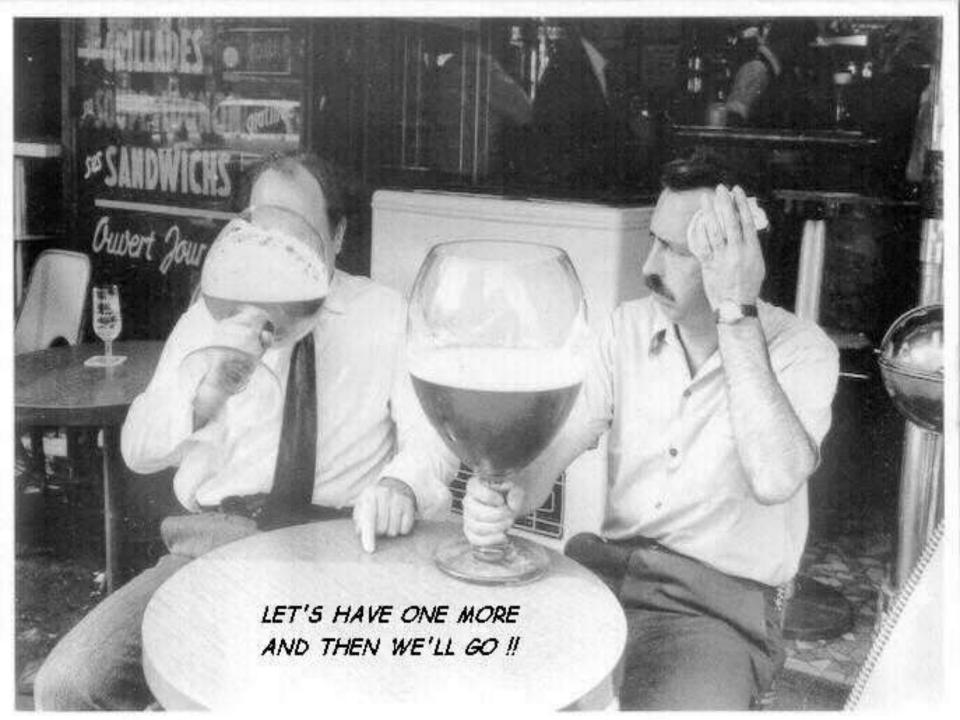
- Proseva Study
- not yet published but presented at EISCM congress.
- Fascinating French multi-centre (and one Spanish centre) study of proning for ≥16 hrs/day in severe ARDS. 450-odd patients and a halving in mortality (from approx 31% to 16%).

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#### ORIGINAL ARTICLE

#### Comparison of Two Fluid-Management Strategies in Acute Lung Injury

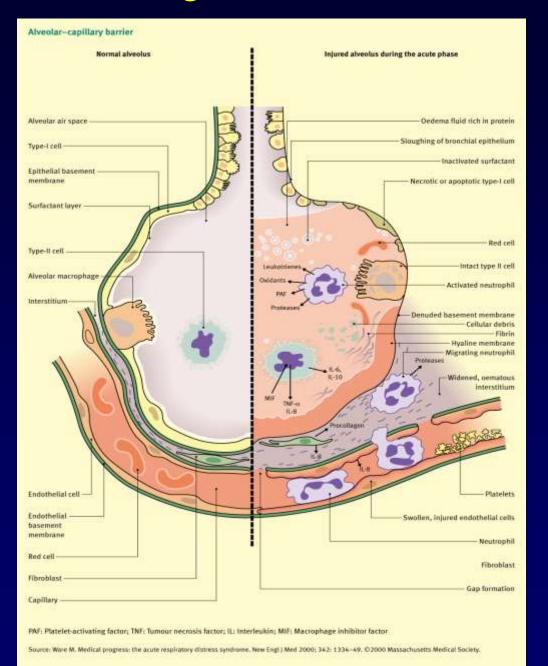
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## Comparison of two fluidmanagement strategies

- Cumulative fluid balance during the first 7 days was:
  - 136+/-491 ml in the conservative group
  - -6992+/-502 ml in the liberal group (P<0.001).
- During first 28 days conservative strategy improved:
  - Oxygenation index [mean airway pressure x FiO<sub>2</sub>/PaO<sub>2</sub> x 100]
  - Lung injury score
  - Ventilator-free days (14.6+/-0.5 vs. 12.1+/-0.5, P<0.001)
  - Days off ICU (13.4+/-0.4 vs. 11.2+/-0.4, P<0.001)
- Conservative group did not have any difference in:
  - Prevalence of shock
  - Use of dialysis

#### Pharmacological treatments????



#### **ARDS: successful treatments**

- cisatracurium paralysis improves survival in early ARDS ACURASYS trial . Papazian et al *NEJM*
- 340 patients ARDS within 48 hours
- 90-day mortality 31.6% vs 40.7%, *P*=0.04.
- Confined to those with P/F ratio of <16.
- More ventilator-free time, less other organ failure
- Muscle weakness similar.
- May work by facilitating lung-protective ventilation.

### ARDS: Steroids??

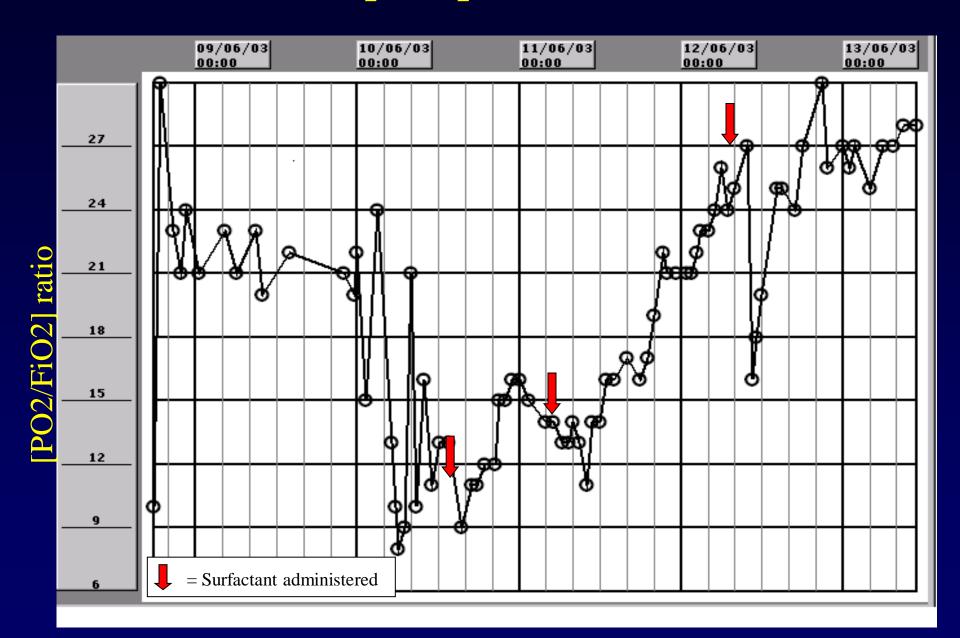
- No benefit in early ARDS
- Now no evidence it improves survival in late ARDS
  - It does speed extubation (more reintubations)
  - ? Increase CIPN
- No improvement or deterioration by 7 days
  - exclude infection
  - methylprednisolone 0.5 mg/kg QDS
  - reduce at 14 days and tail off from day 21 to 32
  - stop early (day 14) if non-responder

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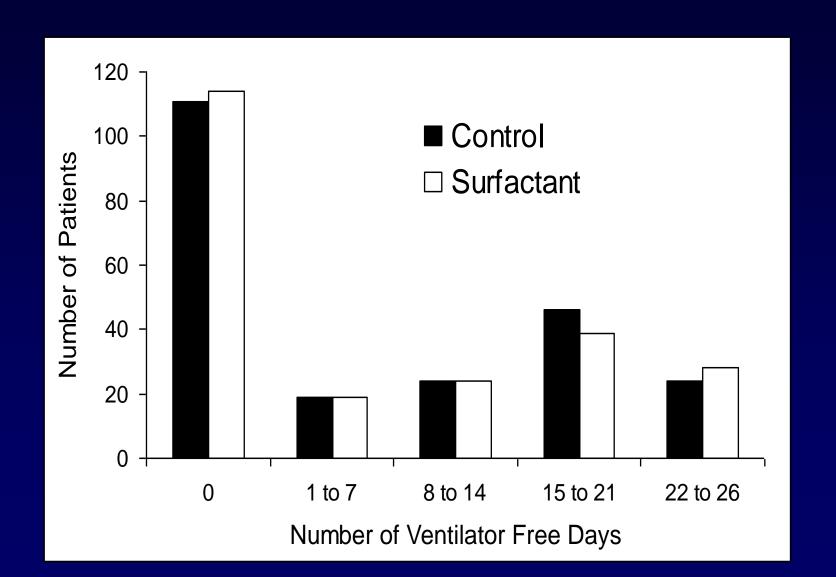
### Effect of Recombinant Surfactant Protein C–Based Surfactant on the Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome

Roger G. Spragg, M.D., James F. Lewis, M.D., Hans-Dieter Walmrath, M.D., Jay Johannigman, M.D., Geoff Bellingan, M.D., Pierre-Francois Laterre, M.D., Michael C. Witte, M.D., Guy A. Richards, M.D., Gerd Rippin, Ph.D., Frank Rathgeb, M.D., Dietrich Häfner, M.D., Friedemann J.H. Taut, M.D., and Werner Seeger, M.D.

### [PO<sub>2</sub>/FiO<sub>2</sub>] ratio / time



## Venticute Surfactant Trial: Outcome 1) Ventilator Free days



### ARDS: other drugs

- Beta2 Agonists –BALTI 2 suspended
- Sildenafil pulmonary hypertension and right heart failure
- Hydroxymethylglutaryl-CoA reductase inhibition with simvastatin in Acute lung injury to Reduce Pulmonary dysfunction The HARP-2 Trial
- Interferon Beta Boosting endothelial CD73 and reducing lung leak – The Faron Trial

## Pathogenesis

Inflammation and vascular leak

How can we control the vascular leak and inflammation?

Surfactant dysfunction

**Failed** 

• Iatrogenic barotrauma driving further inflammation

In place: 6 mls/kg

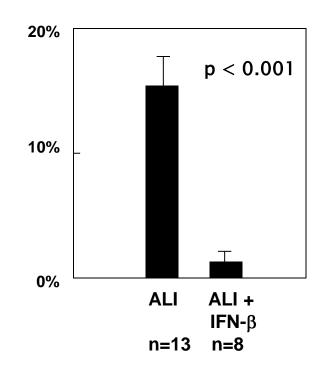
# Post-ischemic IFN-beta treatment prevents leakage of vascular beds in ALI (in vivo)

Mice: ALI induced by 30' mesenteric artery ischemia.

Simultaneously with reperfusion, IFN-beta iv (20.000 units).

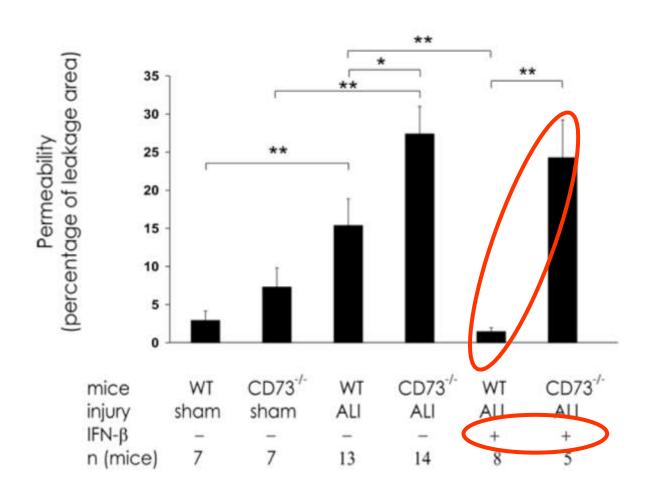
Five minutes prior euthanasia, FITC-dextran to measure lung leak.

 $(n=8-13\pm SEM).$ 

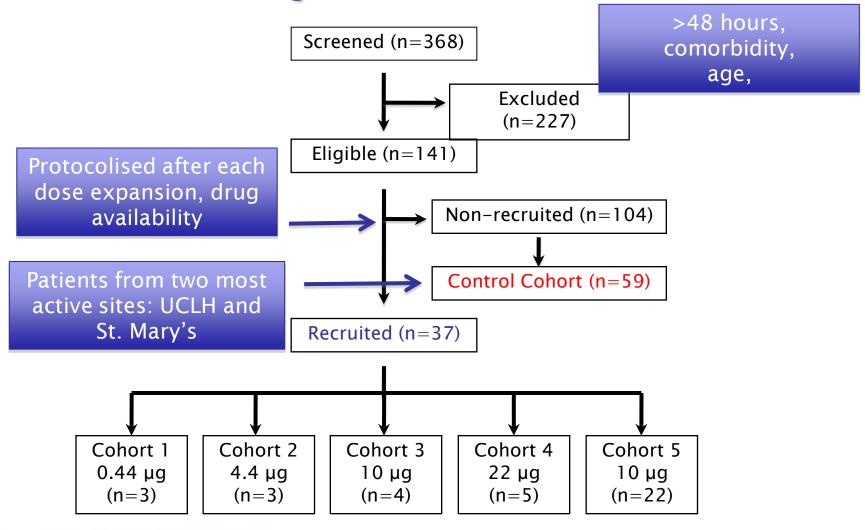


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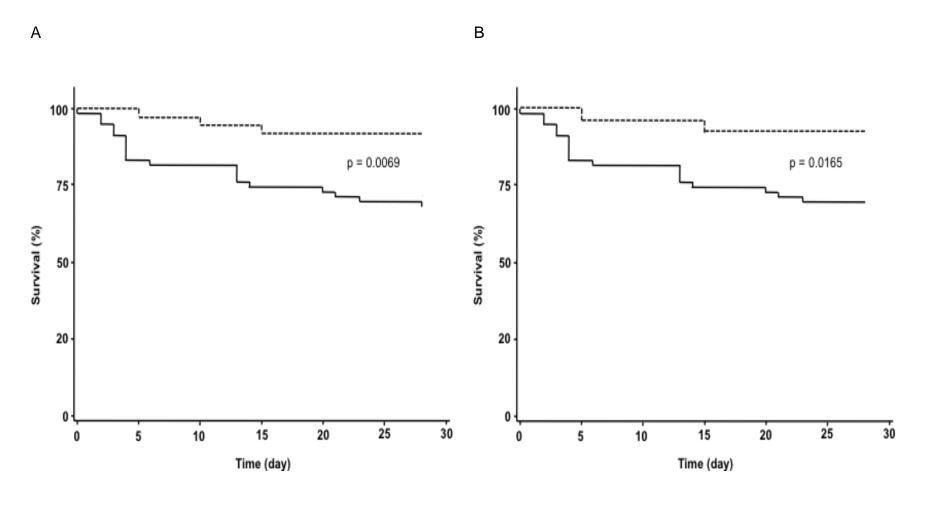
# IFN-beta prevention of lung leakage is CD73 dependent



## FPCLI001 patient recruitment



### Survival



All 37 IFN-β treated patients

All 26 OTD IFN-β treated patients

### **Negative Trials**

- NO
- Continuous rotation
- Prostaglandin Inhibitors (Ketoconazole, Ibuprofen)
- Antioxidants (N-acetyl cysteine, procysteine, free radical scavengers)
- Almitrine

### Not sure

- ECMO
- Oscillation
- Continuous supraglottic aspiration?

