Emergency Medicine Journal

including pre-hospital care

Journal of the British Association for **Emergency Medicine** Official Journal of the British Association for Immediate Care and the Faculty of Pre-Hospital Care of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh Danish Society for Emergency Medicine



Danish Society for Emergency Medicine

Editors

Geoff Hughes (Australia) Kevin Mackway-Jones (UK)

Deputy editors

Steve Goodacre (Acute medicine) (UK) Colville Laird (Prehospital Care) (UK) Ian Maconochie (Paediatric emergency medicine) (UK) Jonathan Wyatt (Web editor) (UK)

Associate editors

Simon Carley (Evidence-based medicine) (UK) Darren Walter (Prehospital Care) (UK) Malcolm Woollard (Prehospital Care) (UK)

Editorial board

R Araujo (Portugal) T Beattie (UK) K Boffard (South Africa) C Brookes (UK) T Brown (Australia) M Clancy (UK) T Coats (UK) M Cooke (UK) R Crouch (UK) F Davies (UK) R Dowdle (UK) I Greaves (UK) H Guly (UK) J Henry (UK)

T Hodgetts (UK) R Illingworth (UK) T Judge (USA) J Lundager Forberg (Sweden) I McNeill (UK) S Meek (UK) P Nee (UK) J Nolan (UK) K Porter (UK) M Shalley (UK) J Sloan (UK) G Syed (UK) R Touquet (UK) L Wallis (South Africa) D Watson (UK) Editor, BMJ

J Heyworth (UK) **EMJ Supplement**

Mike Beckett (UK) Diana Hulbert (UK)

Guidelines for authors and reviewers

Full instructions are available online at http://emj.com/ifora All papers must be submitted via Bench > Press at http://submit-emi.com

Subscription information

See inside front cover

Disclaimer

The Emergency Medicine Journal is published by BMJ Publishing Group Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of the British Medical Association, and the British Association for Emergency Medicine.

The BMA grants editorial freedom to the Editor of the Emergency Medicine Journal. The Emergency Medicine Journal follows guidelines on editorial independence produced by the World Association of Medical Editors and the code on good

publication practice of the Committee on Publication Ethics. The *Emergency Medicine Journal* is intended for medical professionals and is provided without warranty, express or implied. Statements in the journal are the responsibility of their authors and advertisers and not authors' institutions, the

responsibility of their autnors and advertisers and not autnors institutions, the BMJ Publishing Group or the BMA unless otherwise specified or determined by law. Acceptance of advertising does not imply endorsement. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the BMJ Publishing Group shall not be liable for any loss, injury or damage resulting from the use of the *Emergency Medicine Journal* or any information in it whether based on contract, tort, or otherwise. Readers are advised to verify any information they choose to rely on.

Copyright

© 2007 Emergency Medicine Journal. All rights reserved; no part of this publication may be reproduced, stored in a retrieval system, or transmitted in any form or by any means, electronic, mechanical, photocopying, recording, or otherwise without the prior permission of *Emergency Medicine Journal*.

Authors are required to grant *Emergency Medicine Journal* an exclusive licence to publish; further details available online at http://emj.com/ifora

- http://mj.com/ndu Emergency Medicine Journal is published by BMJ Publishing Group, copyedited by Macmillan India Ltd, typeset by The Charlesworth Group and Printed in UK on acid free paper by Cambrian Printers Ltd, Aberystwyth.
- · Periodicals postage paid, Rahway, NJ. Postmaster: send address changes to: Emergency Medicine Journal, c/o Mercury Airfreight International Ltd, 365 Blair Road, Avenel, NJ 07001, USA.
- ISSN: 1472-0205 (print version)
- · ISSN: 1472-0213 (electronic version)



contents EMJ

Volume 24 Number 4 April 2007

Editorial

236 How are you? Are you OK? Do you want to talk? G Hughes

Review

237 Suspension trauma C Lee, K M Porter

Original articles

- Effectiveness of emergency care practitioners 239 working within existing emergency service models of care S Mason, C O'Keeffe, P Coleman, R Edlin, J Nicholl
- 244 An audit of compliance with motor traffic regulations and use of green warning lights by consultants recalled to hospital to attend emergencies D W Pring, R A Young, H Feaster, T Tang
- The usefulness of CT for patients with carpal 248 bone fractures in the emergency department J S You, S P Chung, H S Chung, I C Park, H S Lee, S H Kim
- 251 The role of optic nerve ultrasonography in the diagnosis of elevated intracranial pressure A Š Girisgin, E Kalkan, S Kocak, B Cander, M Gul, M Semiz
- 255 Intimate partner violence prevalence and HIV risks among women receiving care in emergency departments: implications for IPV and HIV screening N El-Bassel, L Gilbert, E Wu, M Chang, C Gomes, D Vinocur, T Spevack
- 260 Comparing care at walk-in centres and at accident and emergency departments: an exploration of patient choice, preference and satisfaction M Chalder, A Montgomery, S Hollinghurst, M Cooke, J Munro, V Lattimer, D Sharp, C Salisbury
- 265 The impact of co-located NHS walk-in centres on emergency departments C Salisbury, S Hollinghurst, A Montgomery, M Cooke, J Munro, D Sharp, M Chalder
- 270 The Risk stratification Of Syncope in the Emergency department (ROSE) pilot study: a comparison of existing syncope guidelines M J Reed, D E Newby, A J Coull, K G Jacques, R J Prescott, A J Gray
- Comparison of lactated Ringer's solution and 276 0.9% saline in the treatment of rhabdomyolysis induced by doxylamine intoxication Y S Cho, H Lim, S H Kim

.....

Short reports

281 Verbal abuse in the National Health Service: impressions of the prevalence, perceived reasons for and relationships with staff psychological well-being C A Sprigg, C J Armitage, K Hollis



ww.publicationethics.org.uk

This journal is a member of and subscribes to the principles of the Committee on Publication Ethics

Volume 24 Number 4 April 2007

- 283 H5N1 influenza questionnaire: are Scottish emergency departments ready to isolate and treat a possible index case? J Vardy, N Mukherjee, N Dignon
- 286 Scouting out competencies S Carley, B Foex, R Ofolla

An educational series

288 High-level simulators in emergency department education: thoughts from the trainers' perspective G Lloyd, J Kendall, S Meek, P Younge on behalf on the South West Emergency Medicine Regional Training Committee

Maxillofacial injury

292 Diagnosis and management of common maxillofacial injuries in the emergency department. Part 4: orbital floor and midface fractures P Ó Ceallaigh, K Ekanaykaee, C J Beirne, D W Patton

.....

Best evidence topic reports

- 294 Towards evidence based emergency medicine: Best BETs from the Manchester Royal Infirmary Edited by S D Carley
- 294 Auscultating to diagnose pneumonia S Saeed, R Body
- 296 Tennis elbow and epicondyle clasp M Callaghan, J Holloway
- 297 Chlorpromazine in migraine P Loga, D Lewis

300 The use of intrapleural anaesthetic to reduce the pain of chest drain insertion G May, T Bartram

Prehospital care

302	

A survey of trauma alert criteria and handover practice in England and Wales H R Budd, L M Almond, K Porter

305 Life-saving or life-threatening? Prehospital thoracostomy for thoracic trauma Z Perkins, A. O M Gunning

Emergency casebook

- 307 Case of the month: "Oh! Drat!-A case of transcutaneous superwarfarin poisoning and its recurrent presentation" S Binks, P Davies
- 308 Images in emergency medicine: Pituitary apoplexy can mimic subarachnoid haemorrhage clinically and radiologically I G Sergides, P S Minhas, N Anotun, J D Pickard
- 309 Emergency casebook abstracts

Serotonin syndrome C E Evans, J Sebastian

Not the typical winter cough G Parra Sanchez, G Chetty, P K Sarkar

Cardiac tamponade due to ingested gastric foreign body M Kelly, N Ferguson, R Sutcliffe

Acute neck pain: An atypical presentation of subarachnoid haemorrhage J Ahmed, C Blakeley, R Sakar

- Walked in with Boerhaave's... A M Lewis, R Dharmarajah
- A mimicry of an acute coronary syndrome B Teo
- 310 Images in emergency medicine: Aortic dissection: an x ray sign S Gartland, D Sookur, H Lee
- 310 Images in emergency medicine: Calcium oxalate crystalluria L Gaines, K H Waibel

PostScript

- 311 Letters
- 312
 - Sophia