

Introduction

Stem cell therapy is another potential treatment of heart failure. Stem cell therapy has shown promise in the treatment of ischemic heart disease both in the laboratory and in small clinical studies. Autologous bone marrow and peripheral blood stem cells transplanted in patients with acute myocardial infarction improved cardiac function. However, until double-blind, randomized controlled trials are performed, the true benefit of this innovative treatment remains unknown. Patients with chronic heart failure, despite good medical management, may experience episodes of pulmonary edema or other signs of acute volume overload. These patients may require hospitalization for intensive management if diuretics fail to relieve their symptoms. Other patients may experience exacerbations of heart failure associated with acute myocardial ischemia or infarction, worsening valvular dysfunction, infections, or failure to maintain an established drug regimen [1]. Fonarow and associates described a risk stratification system for in-hospital mortality in acutely decompensated heart failure using data from a national registry. Low, intermediate, and high-risk patients with mortality were identified using blood urea nitrogen, creatinine, and systolic BP on admission. These patients will require all the standard medications, as outlined in previous sections, and may also require infusions of vasodilators or positive inotropic drugs. Intravenous vasodilators have long been used to treat the symptoms of low CO in patients with decompensated chronic heart failure. In general, vasodilators reduce ventricular filling pressures and SVR while increasing SV and CO. NTG is commonly used for this purpose and has been studied in numerous clinical trials. It is often initially effective at relatively small doses but frequently requires progressively increasing doses to counteract tachyphylaxis [2]. NTG is associated with dose-dependent arterial hypotension. Brain natriuretic peptide is a acid peptide that is mainly secreted from the cardiac ventricles. Physiologically, BNP functions as a natriuretic and diuretic. It also

heart failure, but only in selected patients. When drug treatment is unsuccessful, heart failure patients may require invasive interventions including ventricular assist devices, biventricular pacing, coronary artery by-pass with or without surgical remodeling, or even orthotopic transplantation. Acute heart failure is a frequent complication of the cardiac anesthesiologist, particularly at the time of separation from cardiopulmonary bypass. The new onset of ventricular dysfunction after a low CO state after aortic clamping and reperfusion is a condition with more pathophysiologic similarity to cardiogenic shock than to primary heart failure and is typically treated with positive inotropic drugs, vasopressors, if needed, and/or mechanical assistance [5].

More commonly takes the form of intra-aortic balloon counterpulsation and less commonly includes one of the several ventricular assist devices. Most patients undergoing cardiac surgery with CPB experience a temporary decline in ventricular function, but a recovery to normal function in a period of roughly a day. Pathophysiologic explanations must acknowledge the nature of the low-output syndrome after CPB. Most likely, this is from one of three processes, all related to inadequate oxygen to the myocardium: acute ischemia, hibernation, or stunning [6].

Revascularization and moderate doses of positive inotropic agents consistent with the typical progress of the cardiac surgery. Three processes would be expected to be more troublesome with pre-existing chronic heart failure, pulmonary hypertension, and arrhythmias. The need for inotropic drug support after CPB can be anticipated based on data available in the preoperative history, physical examination, and imaging studies. In a series of consecutive patients undergoing elective CABG, it was observed that increasing age, decreasing left ventricular ejection fraction, cardiac enlargement, and prolonged duration of CPB were all associated with an increased likelihood that the patient would be receiving inotropic drugs on arrival in the intensive care unit. Similarly, a study of patients undergoing cardiac valve surgery, it was observed that increasing age, reduced left ventricular ejection fraction, and presence of CAD all increased the likelihood that a patient would receive positive inotropic drug support [7].

Whereas all inotropic drugs increase the strength of contraction in non-failing myocardium, mechanisms of action differ. These drugs can be divided into those that increase cyclic adenosine monophosphate (cAMP) mechanisms of action and those that do not. The agents that depend on cAMP form a diverse group, including cardiac glycosides, calcium salts, calcium sensitizers, and thyroid hormone. In contrast, chronic heart failure, cardiac glycosides are not used for this purpose owing to their limited efficacy and narrow margin of safety. Calcium salts continue to be administered for ionized hypocalcemia and hyperkalemia, which are common occurrences during and after cardiac surgery. Increased Ca²⁺ in buffer solutions bathing cardiac muscle in vitro unquestionably increase inotropy. Calcium sensitizers, specifically levosimendan, function by binding to troponin C in a calcium-dependent fashion. Thus, levosimendan does not impair diastolic function because its affinity for troponin C declines with Ca²⁺ during diastole. Although several reports have described the successful use of levosimendan in patients recovering from CABG, clinical experience with this agent remains limited and there is no consensus as to how and when this agent should be used, relative to other, better established agents. Intravenous thyroid hormone has been studied extensively as a positive inotrope in cardiac surgery. There are multiple studies supporting the existence of euthyroid sick syndrome with reduced concentrations in blood after cardiac surgery in both children and adults [8]. There are also data suggesting that after ischemia and

Conclusion

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Consent of Interest

References

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