

Invasive Protocol

Who

Septic Patient with Lactate ≥ 4 or MAP < 65 after 2 liters crystalloid
and
Goals of care are curative

Initial Resus

- Administer 20-30 ml/kg isotonic **crystalloid bolus** over 20 minutes
 - Send **cultures** of any possible source
 - Think of **source control** (Infected catheter? Operative intervention for infection? Drainable pus?)
 - **Administer antibiotics** to cover any possible source (See abx rec sheet)
 - Place **full-sterile central line** in the IJ (preferably with ultrasound) or subclavian vein
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SpO₂

- If patient's O₂ saturation is $< 90\%$ on supplemental oxygen:
- Intubate (Beware, the patient may drop their blood pressure precipitously)
 - Place on lung protective ventilation
 - Place on pain control regimen, administer sedation after pain controlled
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Fluids

Choose 1 Strategy

Best: Dynamic IVC Ultrasound-Keep giving 500-1000 ml boluses of isotonic crystalloid until there is $< 30\%$ change in IVC size (See IVC UTS training sheet & video)

OK: CVP-Administer fluids until CVP > 10 mm Hg in non-intubated patients and > 14 mm Hg in intubated patients

Re✓ MAP

- If MAP is < 65 after adequate fluid loading, **start Vasopressors**
 - Titrate vasopressors to achieve a MAP > 65
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Tissue Ox

- Send repeat lactate **AND** ScvO₂
- If lactate has cleared by $\geq 10\%$ **AND** ScvO₂ $\geq 70\%$, go to disposition
- If ScvO₂ < 70 **OR** lactate hasn't cleared by $\geq 10\%$

Choose 1 Option:

If Hb < 7 : transfuse 1 unit of PRBC

or

Additional Fluids: if you were using CVP to determine fluid status, administer an additional liter of isotonic crystalloid

or

Inotropes: especially if heart appears hypodynamic on echo. If calcium is low, try that first. If not, administer dobutamine 5-20 mcg/kg/min.

or

Intubate: to decrease pulmonary metabolic load

or

If Hb 7-10: consider transfusion. Especially in elderly patients or patients with coronary artery disease

- Send repeat lactate & ScvO₂, If ScvO₂ < 70 or if lactate still has not cleared by $\geq 10\%$, continue with the above, trending lactates and ScvO₂ every 1 hour until these two goals are met.
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Dispo

- Patients should get ICU consultation. If not an ICU candidate, should go to monitored bed
- Periodically recheck patient for MAP > 65 , good mental status, and good urine output
- Consider trending lactate every Q 2-4 hours. If it starts rising again, restart protocol