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#### **List of Abbreviations**

ABP : Arterial blood pressure

ADH : Antidiuretic hormone

AJDO<sub>2</sub> : Arterio venous oxygen difference

bTBI : Blast traumatic brain injury

CA : Cerebrovascular autoregulation

CBF : Cerebral blood flow

CCO : Cytochrome oxydase

cEEG : Continous electroencephalo graphy

CHI : Closed head injury

CMRO<sub>2</sub> : Cerebral metabolic rate for oxygen

CPP : Cerebral perfusion pressure

CSF : Cerebro spinal fluid

CSWS : Cerebral salt wasting syndrome

CT : Computed tomography

DI : Diabetes insipidus

ECF : Extra cellular fluid

FV : Flow velosity

GCS : Glasgow coma score

ICAM : Intercellular adhesion molecules

ICP : Intra cranial pressure

ICU : Intensive care unit

IJV : Internal jagular vein

#### **List of Abbreviations (Cont.)**

LPR : Lactate pyruvate ratio

MAP : Mean arterial pressure

MD : Microdialysis

MRI : Magnetic resonant imaging

NIR : Near infrared

pBrO<sub>2</sub> : Brain tissue oxygyn tention

PEEP : Positive end expiratory pressure

PET : Positron emission tomography

PI : Pulsatility index

PRx : Pressure reactivity indx

PtO<sub>2</sub> : Tissue oxygen pressure

SAH : Sub arachenoid hemorrhage

SIADH : Inappropriate ADH secretion

SjO<sub>2</sub> : Jagular venous oxygen saturation

SRS : Spectroscopy

TBI : Traumatic brain injury

TCD : Transcranial doppler

TDF : Thermal diffusion flowmetry

VCAM : Vascular adhesion molecules

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#### الملخص العربي

إن إصابات المخ التصادمية من أعظم أسباب الإعاقة والوفاة بالنسبة لحوادث التصادم. وهذا حقيقيا بالنسبة لإصابات المخ التصادمية الشديدة و التي تكون مصاحبة بنسبة عالية غير محببة من الإعاقة المرضية والوفاة أيضاً. ويمكن تقسيم باثوفسيولجية إصابات المخ التصادمية إلى أحداث أولية وثانوية: الحدث الأولى غير متوقع و لا يمكن تجنبه أما الحدث الثانى يمكن تجنبه وعلاجه لدرجة معينة، وبالتالي فإن تجنب الحدث الثانى من الممكن أن يؤدى إلى التحسن الملاحظ في نتائج مرض إصابات المخ التصادمية.

وتربط إصابة المخ التصادمية الضغط الميكانيكي على أنسجة المخ بعدم التوازن بين رذاذ الضغط الدماغي والأيض الغذائي، تكون الإرتشاح الخلوى السام، عمليات الالتهابات، وعملية الموت الخلوى المبرمج.

ويعرض فهم التسلسل المتعدد الأطراف للإصابة خيارات علاجية تتضمن معالجة ضغط المخ التدفقي، التنفس الصناعي، العلاج الحركي لتحسين نسبة الأكسجين بالدم وتقليل الضغط المخي الداخلي والتدخل الدوائي لتقليل الضغط المخيى الداخلي والتسمم الخلوي. و لكن عدم توقع الباثوفسيولوجيا الخاصة بكل فرد تتطلب ملاحظة المخ المصاب لتفصيل العلاج حسب الحالة الخاصة بكل مريض.

و وسائل الملاحظات المتعارف عليها في وحدات الرعاية المركزة للأعصاب تتيح للأطباء والتمريض معالجة المرضى كرد فعل فقط عند تدهور الحالة

العصبية أو الفسيولوجية للمريض. ووجد أن وسائل الملاحظات الحالية مثل ضغط الأكسجين المخى، درجة حرارة المخ، الضغط المخى الداخلى، رذاذ الضغط الدماغي والأيض الغذائي المخى بالإضافة إلى الموجات الصوتية عبر المخ و رسم المخ المستمر ومؤشرات القلب والأوعية الدموية تعطى لأطباء وحدات رعاية الأعصاب رؤية حالية بالنسبة وفسيولوجية مناطق المخ المعرضة لخطر نقص الدم والإصابة وتسرع من إمكانية التدخل الفعال لعكس الحالات المرضية على أسس فردية. ووجد أن دمج ملاحظة ضغط المخ الداخلي ورذاذ الضغط الدماغي مكملا بضغط الأكسجين بالدم والنسبة بين اللاكتات والبيروفات من الممكن أن تفرق مناطق المخ التي تتعرض الخطر والتي يمكن أن تستجيب لتعديل ضغط الدم الرئيسي وذاذ الضغط الدماغي.

#### Introduction

Traumatic brain injury (TBI) is defined as a functionally significant disruption of brain function manifested as immediately apparent cognitive or physical impairments that result from blunt or penetrating trauma or rapid acceleration or deceleration forces. This definition excludes lacerations or contusions of the face, eye, or scalp, and fractures of facial bones alone. Additionally, injury to the brain resulting from birth trauma, hypoxic-ischemic (anoxic), inflammatory, toxic, metabolic encephalopathies. primary ischemic or hemorrhagic strokes, seizure disorders, intracranial surgery, and cerebral neoplasms also are outside the definition of TBI (David and Thomas, 2008).

TBI has a dramatic impact on the nation's health: it accounts for 15–20% of deaths in people aged 5–35 yr old, and is responsible for 1% of all adult deaths (*Jennett and MacMillan*, 1981). Approximately 1.4 million people in the UK suffer a head injury every year resulting in nearly 150 000 hospital admissions(*Hodgkinson et al.*, 1994). Of these, approximately 3500 patients require admission to ICU. The overall mortality in severe TBI, defined as a post-

resuscitation Glasgow Coma Score (GCS)  $\leq 8$ , is 23% (Hyam et al., 2006).

In addition to the high mortality, approximately 60% of survivors have significant ongoing deficits including cognitive competency, major activity, leisure and recreation (*Dikmen et al.*, 2003). This has a devastating financial, emotional, and social impact on survivors left with lifelong disability (*Helmy et al.*, 2007).

The principal mechanisms of TBI are classified as (a) focal brain damage due to contact injury types resulting in contusion, laceration, and intracranial haemorrhage or (b) diffuse brain damage due to acceleration/deceleration injury types resulting in diffuse axonal injury or brain swelling (Nortje and Menon, 2004).

Outcome from head injury is determined by two substantially different mechanisms/stages: (a) the primary insult (primary damage, mechanical damage) occurring at the moment of impact. In treatment terms, this type of injury is exclusively sensitive to preventive but not therapeutic measures. (b) The secondary insult (secondary damage, delayed non-mechanical damage) represents consecutive pathological processes initiated at the moment of injury with delayed clinical presentation. Cerebral ischaemia

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and intracranial hypertension refer to secondary insults and, in treatment terms, these types of injury are sensitive to therapeutic interventions (*Werner and Engelhard*, 2007).

#### Aim of the work

- Understanding the pathophysiology after TBI for adequate and patient oriented treatment.
- Importance of monitoring the injured brain to enable the detection of harmful physiological events before they cause irreversible damage to the brain.

### Pathogenesis of Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)

Classically, TBI is thought to have at least two phases. The first or initial injury occurs as a direct result of the primary traumatic event. A second injury phase occurs from multiple neuropathologic processes that can continue for days to weeks after the initial insult (*Geoffrey and Scott*, 2008).

#### **Primary injury**

Primary injury is immediate and not amenable to treatment. If severe, death can occur almost instantaneously. Typically, the damage that occurs from this primary phase is often complete by the time medical care can be instituted (*Bledsoe and Li*, 2005).

There are two classical types of head injury: closed head injury (CHI) and penetrating TBI. In CHI, direct impact of neuronal tissue against the bony vault, and shearing of neurovascular structures from rotational or rebounding forces, results in cell damage at the cell body and axon level. In the United States, most CHI is caused by motor vehicle accidents. Other causes are falls, sporting event injuries, and assault. Motor vehicle accidents, which are high-speed