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AWAreness during REsuscitation - II: A multi-center study of consciousness and awareness in cardiac arrest

再生術期間的驚歎 - II：心臟驟停中意識和意識的多中心研究

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Abstract

Introduction: Cognitive activity and awareness during cardiac arrest (CA) are reported but ill understood. This first of a kind study examined consciousness and its underlying electrocortical biomarkers during cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).

Methods: In a prospective 25-site in-hospital study, we incorporated a) independent audiovisual testing of awareness, including explicit and implicit learning using a computer and headphones, with b) continuous real-time electroencephalography (EEG) and cerebral oxygenation (rSO₂) monitoring into CPR during in-hospital CA (IHCA). Survivors underwent interviews to examine for recall of awareness and cognitive experiences. A complementary cross-sectional community CA study provided added insights regarding survivors' experiences.

Results: Of 567 IHCA, 53(9.3%) survived, 28 of these (52.8%) completed interviews, and 11(39.3%) reported CA memories/perceptions suggestive of consciousness. Four categories of experiences emerged: 1) emergence from coma during CPR (CPR-induced consciousness [CPRIC]) 2/28(7.1%), or 2) in the post-resuscitation period 2/28(7.1%), 3) dream-like experiences 3/28(10.7%), 4) transcendent recalled experience of death (RED) 6/28(21.4%). In the cross-sectional arm, 126 community CA survivors' experiences reinforced these categories and identified another: delusions (misattribution of medical events). Low survival limited the ability to examine for implicit learning. Nobody identified the visual image, 1/28(3.5%) identified the auditory stimulus. Despite marked cerebral ischemia (Mean rSO₂ = 43%) normal EEG activity (delta, theta and alpha) consistent with consciousness emerged as long as 35-60 minutes into CPR.

Conclusions: Consciousness, awareness and cognitive processes may occur during CA. The emergence of normal EEG may reflect a resumption of a network-level of cognitive activity, and a biomarker of consciousness, lucidity and RED (authentic "near-death" experiences)

介紹：心臟驟停（CA）期間的認知活動和意識有報導，但知之甚少。這項首創的研究檢查了心肺復甦（CPR）期間的意識及其潛在的皮層電生物標誌物。

方法：在一項前瞻性 25 個地點的院內研究中，我們結合了 a) 獨立的意識視聽測試，包括使用計算機和耳機的顯性和隱性學習，以及 b) 連續即時腦電圖（EEG）和腦氧合（rSO₂）在院內 CA（IHCA）期間監測 CPR。倖存者接受了訪談，以檢查對意識和認知體驗的回憶。一項互補的橫斷面社區 CA 研究提供了有關倖存者經歷的更多見解。

結果：在 567 例 IHCA 中，53 例（9.3%）存活，其中 28 例（52.8%）完成了訪談，

11 例（39.3%）報告了提示意識的 CA 記憶/感知。出現了四類經歷：

1) 在 CPR 期間從昏迷中醒來(CPR 誘導意識 [CPRIC]) 2/28（7.1%），或 2) 復甦後 2/28（7.1%），

3) 夢境般的經歷 3/28（10.7%），

4) 超然的死亡回憶經歷（RED） 6/28（21.4%）。

在橫斷面組中，126 名社區 CA 倖存者的經歷強化了這些類別並確定了另一個類別：妄想（醫療事件的錯誤歸因）。低生存率限制了檢查內隱學習的能力。沒有人識別視覺圖像，1/28（3.5%）識別了聽覺刺激。儘管有明顯的腦缺血（平均 rSO₂= 43%），在 CPR 開始 35-60 分鐘後，與意識一致的正常腦電圖活動（delta、theta 和 alpha）出現。

結論：意識。意識和認知過程可能發生在 CA 期間。正常腦電圖的出現可能反映了網路水平認知活動的恢復，以及意識、清醒和 RED（真實的“瀕死”體驗）的生物標誌物。

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