

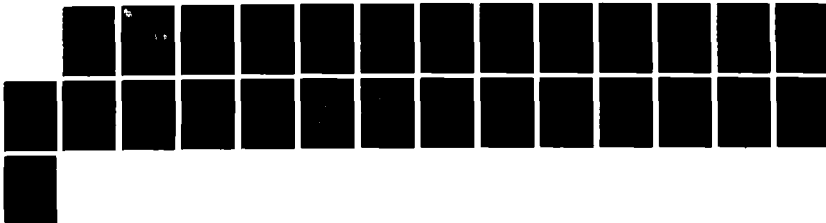
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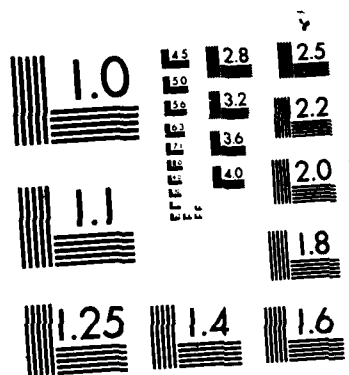
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INTRODUCTION

Military personnel are to be issued a nerve agent antidote kit (NAAK), which consists of atropine and pralidoxime chloride (2-PAM) (1,2), for treatment of nerve agent poisoning. Pretreatment with pyridostigmine to be taken in anticipation of nerve agent attack may also be used (2,3). It is assumed that individuals pretreated with pyridostigmine may incur conventional battlefield injuries (4) and that casualties will receive postexposure therapies (5). The effects of these pharmacological pretreatments and antidotes on the care and outcome of the casualty with conventional injuries are unknown. Of concern are the nerve agent antidote's pharmacological effects on the physiological and metabolic responses to injury, interference with the triage of casualties, interaction with analgesics and anesthetics, and patient variability in the response to and recovery from surgery. The present studies were undertaken to investigate the effects of atropine, 2-PAM, or pyridostigmine administration on the physiological and metabolic responses to hemorrhagic hypotension in conscious swine.

METHODS

Immature (2- to 3-month-old) Yorkshire swine (gilts and barrows) weighing 20 to 25 kg were studied. The animals were purchased from a commercial supplier and housed in the Institute for at least ten days prior to surgery. They were fed a commercial ration (Purina) and allowed water ad lib.

After fasting overnight, each animal was given a preanesthetic intramuscular injection of 0.08 mg/kg atropine sulfate, 2.2 mg/kg ketamine HCl and 2.2 mg/kg xylazine. Halothane anesthesia was induced using a face mask and maintained with an endotracheal tube. The posterior aorta and jugular vein were catheterized using sterile procedures (6). The catheters were tunneled under the skin; the arterial catheter exited on the dorsal surface of the back, and the venous catheter via the neck. The animal was observed until fully recovered and returned to a holding cage. Catheter patency was maintained by flushing at 3- to 4-day intervals with heparin (1000 u/ml) in normal saline.

After five to seven days of postoperative recovery, the animals were fasted overnight. The following morning

the animals were transported to the laboratory in a portable holding cage. The pigs remained in the holding cage throughout the experiment. The animals were connected to a 12-inch pressure-monitoring injection line fitted with a three-way stopcock and filled with heparinized saline. The system was then flushed with heparinized saline and connected to a pressure transducer and monitoring system (Gould, Model 24005, Cleveland, OH). Following a 30-minute equilibration period, the animals remained euvoletic or were bled at a rate of 36 ml/kg over a 60-minute period for an estimated 50% loss of blood volume. The one-hour bleeding period was selected arbitrarily to simulate a hemorrhage that might be seen in a combat casualty. The rate of blood loss was based again arbitrarily on an exponential scale such that 10% increments of the total estimated blood volume were removed uniformly over successive intervals of 9, 10, 11.5, 13.5, and 16 minutes. Upon completion of the hemorrhage the animals were studied for an additional three hours. Hemodynamic measurements and blood samples (20 ml) were obtained throughout the 60-min hemorrhage period and for three hours during recovery (see Fig. 1 for sample times). Animals underwent one of the following treatments:

1. Saline Control: Upon completion of the hemorrhage period, animals (n=6) were injected intra-arterially with 0.1 ml/kg of normal saline (0.9% NaCl). This infusion volume was selected because it was similar to the carrier volume infused in previous studies.

2. Atropine: Animals were injected intra-arterially with atropine sulfate 0.08 mg/kg (Sigma Chemical Co., St Louis, MO) taken up in 0.1 ml/kg of normal saline just after the 60-min sample was taken at the end of the hemorrhage period. Euvoletic animals (n=6) and hypovolemic animals (n=6) were evaluated. The dose of atropine selected is the total dose recommended for treating exposure to nerve agents, i.e., three Mark II autoinjectors (1).

3. 2-PAM: After the blood samples were taken during the 60-min hemorrhage, the animals were injected intra-arterially with 20 mg/kg of pralidoxime methochloride (2-PAM) (Aldrich Chemical Co., Milwaukee, WI) taken up in a 0.1 ml/kg of normal saline. Euvoletic (n=7) and hemorrhaged (n=7) animals were injected with 2-PAM after 60 minutes, at the completion of the hemorrhage. The dose

(20 mg/kg) is similar by weight to the recommended total dose, i.e. 3 Mark II autoinjectors (1).

4. Pyridostigmine: Pyridostigmine bromide (Mestinon®, Roche Laboratories, Nutley, NJ) was administered orally at 1500, 2300, and 0700 hours at 60 mg per dose for three days. The pyridostigmine was administered in the liquid form by a syringe from which the animal voluntarily licked the contents. Prior to administration of pyridostigmine a blood sample was obtained on day 0 to measure basal plasma and red blood cell acetylcholinesterase activity. On the day of the experiment, procedures were begun at 0900 hours, two hours after the last dosing. Seven animals underwent hemorrhage, while five animals served as euvolemic controls. The dose of pyridostigmine, approximately 9 mg/kg/day, was selected because it had produced the desired reduction (30% to 50%) in plasma and red blood cell acetylcholinesterase activity (2, 3, 7-10).

Blood pressure and heart rate were measured for one minute during each sampling period from the blood pressure tracing and an average obtained. Blood lactate (Sigma Chemical Co, St. Louis, MO) and glucose (Beckman Instruments, Anaheim, CA) levels were measured by standard assay techniques. Hematocrit was measured by the microcapillary method. Blood gases were measured on a System 1303 (Instrumentation Laboratory, Lexington, MA). Plasma and red blood cell acetylcholinesterase activities (AChE) were measured using a Technicon Auto Analyzer II system with modification of the method of Ellman et al (11), that had been adapted by Levine et al (12) and using acetylthiocholine as the substrate (see Letterman Army Institute of Research standard operating procedure OP-ACH-38, 1982 and update). The method of Groff and Ellin (13) was used to measure the levels of 2-PAM in plasma.

Data were analyzed using a two-way analysis of variance with comparisons made between groups (a hemorrhage control versus hemorrhage drug treatment) and over time. Differences between means were assessed using a Newman-Keuls test. When appropriate, a t-test was used. A probability less than or equal to 0.05 was accepted as being significant. Values in the text are mean plus or minus the standard error of the mean.

RESULTS

Control: Hemorrhage produced a significant fall in mean arterial pressure (MAP) of 58 mm Hg (Figure 1, Table 1). MAP rose over the recovery period, but was still reduced in comparison to initial values. Heart rate was not significantly altered. Arterial P_{CO_2} was significantly reduced from 37 mm Hg at time 0 to 28 mm Hg at the end of hemorrhage and returned to basal values, 35 mm Hg, during the recovery period (Fig. 2, Table 2). Plasma glucose and blood lactate levels were increased over the course of hemorrhage and remained elevated throughout the recovery period (Figure 2, Table 3). Plasma acetylcholinesterase activity (AChE) decreased during the hemorrhage by 18% and remained reduced during the 3 hours of recovery (Figure 3, Table 4). Red blood cell AChE activity expressed per unit of packed cell volume was unchanged, but over the course of the experiment hematocrit was reduced from 27 to 21% (Table 3).

Atropine: Atropine administration resulted in a significant increase in heart rate which was similar in hemorrhaged and euvolemic animals (Fig. 4, Table 1). Blood pressure was also acutely elevated following atropine administration in hemorrhaged and euvolemic animals (Fig. 4, Table 1). Arterial P_{CO_2} , levels of plasma glucose and blood lactate, and plasma and red blood cell AChE were not altered following atropine administration in euvolemic animals and were not significantly different following hemorrhage in comparison to untreated hemorrhaged animals (Tables 3, 4).

2-PAM: The administration of 2-PAM did not significantly alter blood pressure or heart rate in euvolemic animals and did not change the response to hemorrhage (Table 1). Blood glucose levels, red blood cell AChE activity, and arterial P_{CO_2} also were not changed (Tables 2, 3, 4). However, in euvolemic animals the administration of 2-PAM caused an acute increase in lactate from 4.5 to 10.1 mg/dl at two minutes but the level returned to basal values within 15 minutes, and a similar trend was noted in plasma AChE activity (0.46 ± 0.05 to 0.50 ± 0.05 u/ml in two minutes) (Tables 2, 4). Following hemorrhage the lactate levels changed from 31.8 ± 3.4 mg/dl to 52.9 ± 3.6 mg/dl and the plasma AChE activity from 0.40 ± 0.04 U/ml to 0.47 ± 0.04 U/ml at two minutes with both parameters returning to pretreatment levels within 15 minutes. The plasma levels of 2-PAM were not significantly different during the recovery period in

treated euvolemic and hemorrhaged animals (Figure 5). The half-life of 2-PAM, 65 to 75 min, was therefore not altered by this degree of hemorrhage.

Pyridostigmine: Beyond the expected reduction in the AChE activities of red blood cells (to $65 \pm 5\%$ of initial values) and of plasma (to $63 \pm 4\%$ of initial values) following the three days of treatment, none of the measured variables showed significant changes in euvolemic animals over time or varied in the response to hemorrhage in comparison to untreated animals (Tables 1, 2, 3, and 4). The decrease in plasma AChE activity during hemorrhage, 17%, was similar to that observed in euvolemic animals, 20% (Table 4), following administration of pyridostigmine (Table 4).

DISCUSSION

In the investigation of atropine, 2-PAM, or pyridostigmine administration on the physiological and metabolic responses to hemorrhage, possible detrimental effects leading to a decrease in survival were of concern. However, the moderate hemorrhage in this study of conscious swine caused no severe adverse effects with any of the therapies investigated.

A change in heart rate was shown with atropine injection in both euvolemic and hypovolemic animals. The increase in heart rate did not attain maximal values for pigs (14). In humans the dose of atropine used in our study produces only a moderate increase in heart rate (15, 16). The slight but significant increase in blood pressure of about 10 mm Hg observed with atropine may be beneficial and may in fact possibly influence survival in severe hemorrhage. In humans, however, a slight decrease in systolic blood pressure has been reported (15, 16). Though no negative effects were found, we are still concerned about the responses to atropine (tachycardia, mydriasis, dizziness, lassitude and increased body temperature in some instances) which would interfere with the triage of the battlefield casualty. This problem has yet to be resolved.

The administration of 2-PAM produced acute increases in blood lactate and plasma AChE activity. The increase in lactate during hemorrhage may be detrimental if adequate buffering capabilities are not available. Plasma lactate concentration is indicative of outcome (survival)

in a variety of traumatic conditions (17, 18, 19). The rise in plasma AChE activity due to 2-PAM may be beneficial by partly rectifying the reduction in activity incurred during hemorrhage. However, both the increases in blood lactate and plasma AChE activity in response to 2-PAM administration were acute, lasting 5 minutes, and would appear to have no influence on the care or outcome of the combat casualty.

The clearance of 2-PAM from the plasma was not altered by hemorrhage in the present study, though a reduction due to a decrease in metabolism and excretion associated with falls in renal and hepatic blood flow during hemorrhage was postulated (20, 21). The observed half life of 2-PAM in pigs is 65 to 75 min, similar to that in man (22).

Although the reduction in AChE activity achieved in the swine chronically administered pyridostigmine was similar to that in man with the pretreatment dose, i.e. 20-40%, a larger dose per kilogram was required. Furthermore, the measured metabolic and physiologic responses to hemorrhage in the swine were not altered by pyridostigmine. It thus appears that pretreatment with pyridostigmine will not be of immediate concern in the outcome of the combat casualty. However, the interaction of pyridostigmine with anesthetics and analgesics, specifically morphine (23, 24), is still of concern.

In untreated animals, plasma AChE activity was reduced with hemorrhage and remained decreased over the course of the experiment. Others have reported a similar fall in total blood AChE activity with hemorrhage and in burn victims (25-29). The 18% reduction in plasma AChE activity in the present study could have been caused primarily by transcapillary refill, which may account for as much as 30% of the plasma volume following this degree of hemorrhage (30, 31). Frawley et al (27) reported that AChE activity may remain at a reduced level for days after a battlefield injury. In the present study, while no change in red blood cell AChE activity per milliliter of packed cell volume was found, there was a reduction in red cell volume due to hemorrhage, resulting in a decrease in total vascular red blood cell AChE activity. The combined reduction of AChE associated with red blood cells and plasma represents a 57% decrease in vascular AChE activity.

A fall in vascular AChE activity does not indicate associated changes in autonomic nervous system function, as changes in plasma levels may not reflect changes in AChE at the synaptic cleft. The decrease in available AChE in the vascular compartment is possibly of little consequence since inhibition of up to 90% of activity is necessary to produce abnormal function, due to AChE being present in most tissues in quantities in excess of that normally required to degrade acetylcholine (32). However, the decrease in AChE due to hemorrhage may explain the findings of Piscevic et al (33) that simultaneous hemorrhage and chemical agent trauma resulted in the death of animals exposed to normally nonlethal doses of the nerve agent sarin. Thus, the reduction in AChE activity that occurs during traumatic hemorrhage may potentiate the responsiveness to acetylcholine (nerve agents).

In conclusion, pharmacological pretreatment with pyridostigmine or the administration of the antidotes atropine or 2-PAM does not appear to affect the physiological and metabolic responses to hemorrhagic hypotension as investigated in conscious swine not exposed to nerve agent poisoning. Of concern still are the possibilities that these agents may interfere with analgesics and anesthetics, and may vary the response to and recovery from surgery. These issues remain to be investigated.

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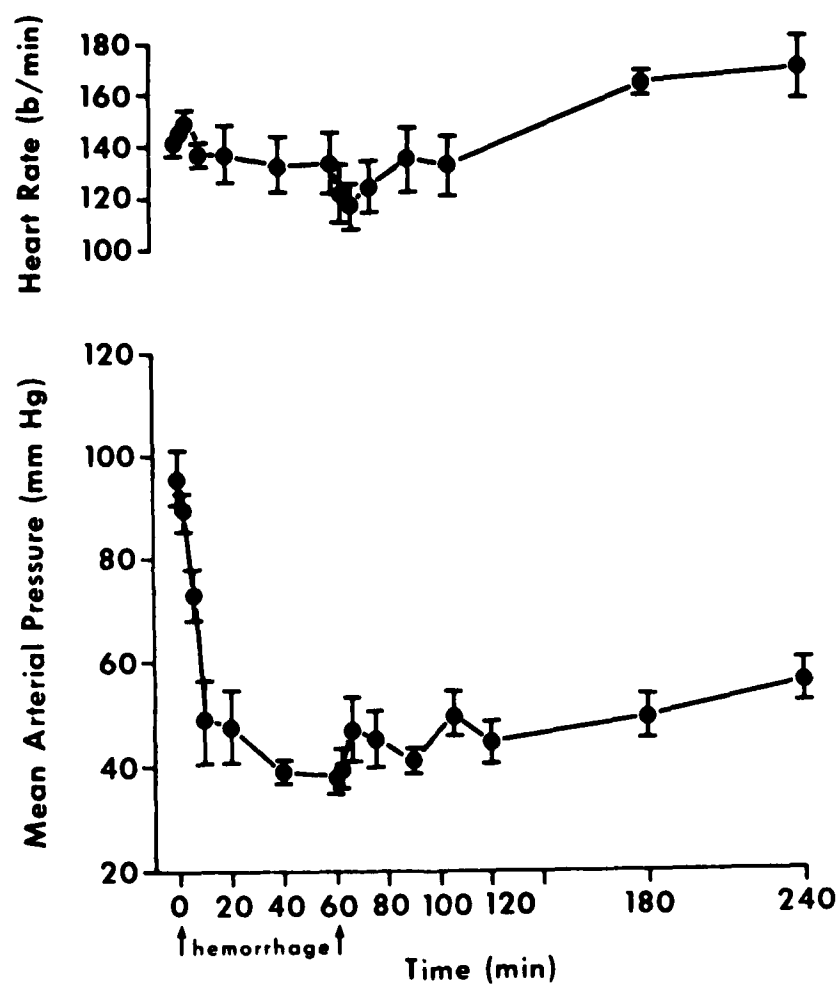


Figure 1: Heart rate and mean arterial pressure in response to hemorrhage in six conscious swine.

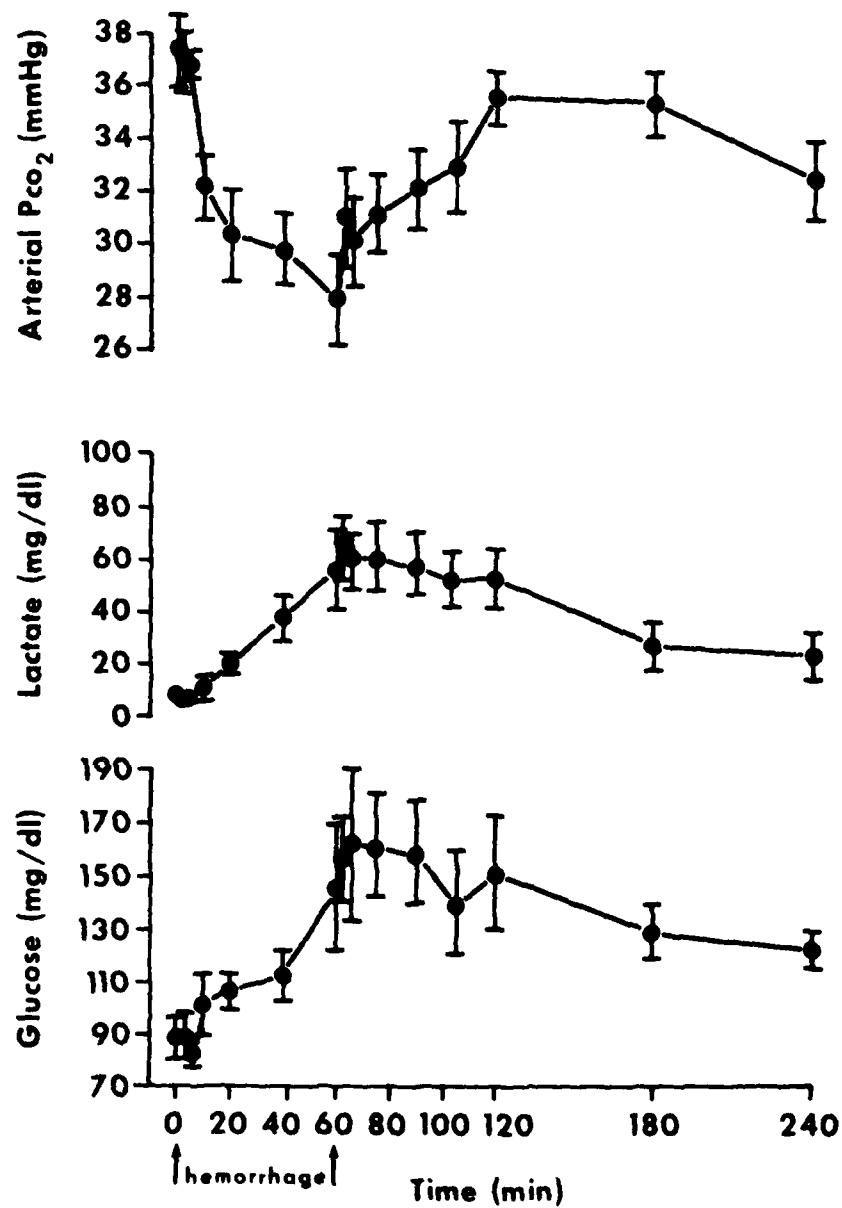


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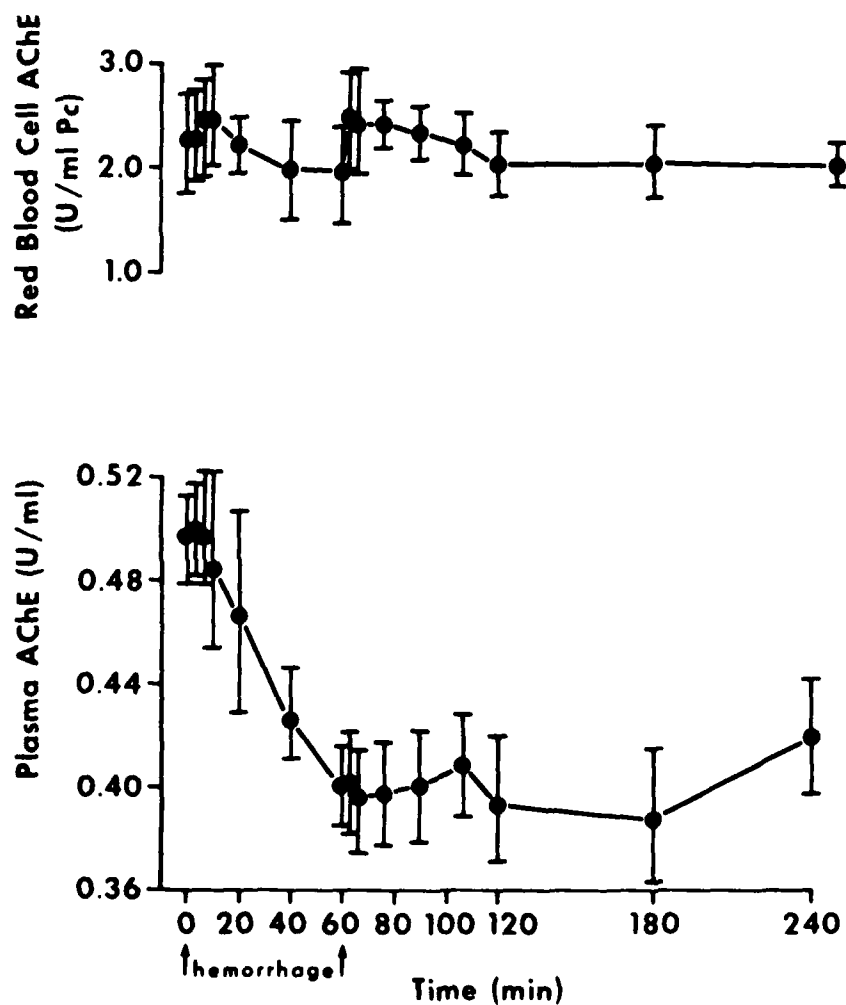


Figure 3: Plasma and red blood cell acetylcholinesterase activity (AChE) in response to hemorrhage in six conscious swine.

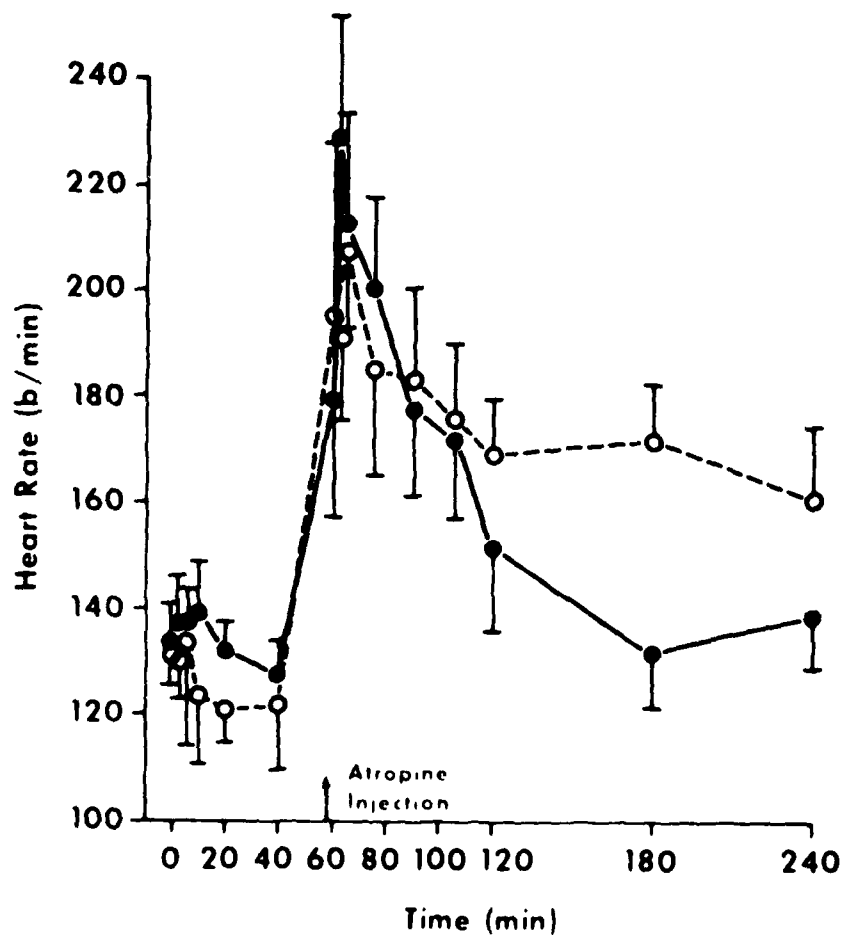


Figure 4: Heart rate response to intra-arterial atropine administered at 60 min in euvolemic (●—●) and hypovolemic (○---○) conscious swine.

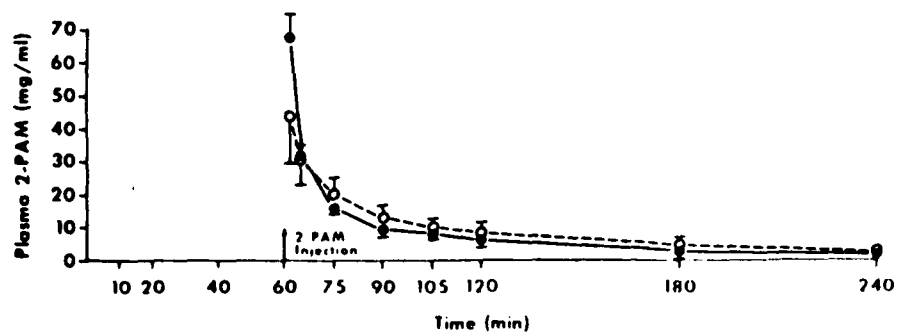


Figure 5: Plasma 2-PAM levels in response to intra-arterial administration in euvolemic (●—●) and hypovolemic (O---O) conscious swine.

Table 1: Mean arterial pressure, pulse pressure, and heart rate of swine with emphysema (E) or hemorrhage (H) (0-60 min) with treatment of control (C), atropine (A), 2-PAM (2P), or pyridostigmine (P).

	Time (min)									
	0	60	62	65	75	90	105	120	180	240
Mean Arterial Pressure (mmHg)										
H-C	9655	3853	3954	4826	4525	4122	5054	4454	4924	5054
E-A	9753	10625	10726	10126	10526	112514	11126	10029	98210	9326
H-A	9554	4554	5255	5754	4854	5553	5052	5553	5455	6656
E-2P	9755	8026	9154	8926	8426	8858	9226	9026	10026	9526
H-2P	10155	3854	6557	5256	4455	4857	4825	5054	5454	6455
E-P	9055	10653	---	10355	10453	9053	10256	10453	10255	---
H-P	10054	3362	---	4155	4253	4755	5456	4855	5056	---
Pulse Pressure (mmHg)										
H-C	5327	3027	4528	3453	44510	4228	49213	52212	49214	59219
E-A	5022	4124	3055	3054	4254	3055	4054	3056	3055	3755
H-A	5053	3455	2853	2853	30511	3053	3455	3051	4127	4027
E-2P	4026	4526	4355	4455	4355	4458	4256	4255	3055	3955
H-2P	6226	3056	41211	3059	3953	4221	4353	4353	4224	4556
E-P	5427	5027	---	5353	5158	5028	4058	4027	4427	---
H-P	6129	2025	---	2354	3355	3055	3453	2853	3254	---
Heart Rate (beats/min)										
H-C	14155	132212	121510	11059	123511	130513	132511	141512	16255	167511
E-A	13427	130224	220224	213520	200518	170217	172515	151516	132510	138510
H-A	13226	120212	192518	200518	185517	183514	170513	160510	172510	161513
E-2P	14159	13158	12327	12326	11927	12125	12254	13158	13058	11958
H-2P	13758	13953	12529	124510	125513	131511	130513	140517	142514	155515
E-P	13155	12557	---	12029	12055	12029	125510	130510	123510	---
H-P	14358	120512	---	111511	11256	11959	120514	12559	134513	---

*Values not obtained; †Significantly different from H-C, $P < 0.05$; ‡Significantly different from 60 min for emphysema animals.

Table 2: Arterial blood gas measurements in conscious rat with euolemia (E) or hemorrhage H (0-60 min) with treatment of control (C), atropine (A), 2-PM (2P), or pyridostigmine (P).

		Time (min)										
		0	30	60	85	75	90	105	120	180	240	
Po ₂ (mmHg)	H-C	992.4	1243.5	1002.5	953.2	1122.5	1072.10	1172.6	1002.6	1092.6	1212.6	
	E-A	992.3	862.3	872.3	942.2	862.2.2	922.10	852.9	772.3	832.3	822.2	
	H-A	882.2	1092.6	1072.7	992.4	1142.3	1032.6	1122.10	1162.7	1012.5	1002.6	
	E-2P	872.4	842.3	892.4	832.1	802.1.5	802.2	842.4	812.3	912.7	802.4	
	H-2P	842.3	992.6	1002.3	1002.2	1072.7	1022.9	1022.5	1012.7	992.6	902.4	
	C-P	922.3.3	822.4	---	---	832.4	672.4	---	---	852.3	---	
Pco ₂ (mmHg)	H-P	942.3	1102.2	---	---	1112.3	1032.2	---	1062.2	1042.2	---	
	H-C	37.421.2	27.021.7	31.321.9	30.221.6	31.221.4	32.221.5	33.021.8	35.621.0	35.421.4	32.421.5	
	E-A	36.021.8	39.921.0	37.322.6	37.023.6	37.021.5	39.621.7	40.922.7	41.422.6	39.622.3	40.421.6	
	H-A	39.920.9	31.021.3	35.620.5	35.020.6	35.621.0	35.920.6	36.020.5	36.420.9	30.021.0	37.721.6	
	E-2P	37.621.6	39.121.4	38.121.5	30.320.9	30.721.5	30.721.2	30.821.5	30.121.0	37.221.2	30.621.0	
	H-2P	36.520.6	30.522.2	35.220.7	33.021.6	34.820.8	34.721.5	34.120.5	36.021.2	36.121.0	37.320.5	
pH	E-P	30.320.4	40.621.9	---	---	40.221.3	37.921.5	---	30.421.8	39.420.9	---	
	H-P	35.520.6	26.421.3	---	---	30.421.8	32.322.2	---	32.322.1	33.221.7	---	
	H-C	7.4292.010	7.4502.022	7.4212.017	7.4172.014	7.4002.009	7.4102.015	7.4252.014	7.4102.012	7.4412.010	7.4002.019	
	E-A	7.4302.013	7.4392.009	7.4502.025	7.4472.032	7.4312.002	7.4202.012	7.4312.021	7.4202.020	7.4422.021	7.4302.017	
	H-A	7.4272.010	7.4572.022	7.3902.006	7.4002.012	7.4032.010	7.3942.020	7.4322.009	7.4102.009	7.4242.008	7.4472.011	
	E-2P	7.4442.014	7.4302.010	7.4502.013	7.4302.012	7.4342.012	7.4302.013	7.4302.012	7.4302.007	7.4402.012	7.4302.008	
HCO ₃ (mmol/l)	H-2P	7.4772.010	7.4002.020	7.4102.013	7.4142.010	7.4132.014	7.4372.014	7.4542.020	7.4502.015	7.4502.014	7.4402.012	
	E-P	7.4922.014	7.4032.012	---	---	7.4752.011	7.4002.016	---	7.4002.016	7.4812.003	---	
	H-P	7.4742.010	7.5042.033	---	---	7.4312.020	7.4202.010	---	7.4512.017	7.4732.014	---	
	H-C	25.321.2	19.820.8	20.620.7	19.620.4	19.820.6	2120.8	21.920.6	23.421.0	24.421.3	24.220.8	
	E-A	26.220.8	27.320.6	26.020.3	26.421.2	25.420.8	26.221.0	27.421.4	27.520.8	27.221.0	27.621.0	
	H-A	26.721.2	22.720.9	22.121.4	22.521.4	22.421.1	22.321.4	24.221.1	23.720.9	25.521.2	26.221.2	
Values not obtained.	E-2P	26.021.2	26.620.6	26.620.6	26.120.5	26.120.5	26.320.4	26.420.6	26.120.6	25.520.3	25.620.4	
	H-2P	27.321.0	23.121.2	22.420.9	21.921.2	23.420.6	23.621.2	24.521.0	25.521.3	25.621.3	26.221.0	
	E-P	29.720.9	30.621.0	---	---	29.821.0	28.020.8	---	29.020.9	28.720.8	---	
	H-P	26.221.2	21.121.4	---	---	20.621.7	21.621.0	---	22.021.8	24.821.0	---	

Values not obtained.

Table 3: Blood lactate, blood glucose, and hematocrit values in swine for euvolesmia (E) or hemorrhage (H) (0-60 min) with treatment of control (C), atropine (A), 2-PAM (2P), or pyridostigmine (P).

	Time (min)										
	0	60	62	65	75	90	105	120	180	240	
Blood Lactate (mg/dl)											
H-C	921	56215	67212	66210	61213	59212	52211	53211	2729	2219	
E-A	821	721	621	1123	1223	621	621	521	623	521	
H-A	1124	4026	4327	4029	4627	4026	3029	3229	2027	1924	
E-2P	621	421	1021 ^a	721 ^a	621	521	521	521	521	521	
H-2P	521	2725	4826	3525	3123	2623	2022 ^a	1823	922	1122 ^a	
E-P	421	421	— ^a	— ^a	421	623	— ^a	623	321	— ^a	
H-P	1522	53212	— ^a	— ^a	67215	66217	— ^a	52213	33210	— ^a	
Blood Glucose (mg/dl)											
H-C	8927	145224	157216	163220	162219	159220	138221	151221	129210	12328	
E-A	7524	7225	6927	7528	6129	7724	7523	7722	71210	65214	
H-A	7823	11327	116215	128210	118215	10828	105210	10027	95216	129219	
E-2P	9126	8827	90212 ^a	97212	9225	9629	9929	8625	8826	93211	
H-2P	8824	12829	150217	129214	127213	119211	115210	109212	11128	120210	
E-P	6324	6725	— ^a	— ^a	6423	6623	— ^a	6424	6526	— ^a	
H-P	8327	124215	— ^a	— ^a	14222	140218	— ^a	127219	124218	— ^a	
Hematocrit (%)											
H-C	27.221.5	22.621.6	22.721.4	22.521.4	22.521.5	22.321.5	22.721.7	21.721.8	21.721.7	21.021.7	
E-A	26.521.6	27.721.4	27.521.8	26.321.4	26.721.5	26.021.4	26.221.3	25.521.5	25.721.4	26.021.2	
H-A	26.821.8	22.520.9	21.221.1	21.320.6	20.220.9	20.021.0	19.821.0	19.820.8	19.520.9	20.221.1	
C-2P	26.720.6	26.720.9	26.620.7	27.020.8	26.420.7	26.120.6	26.120.7	25.820.7	25.820.9	25.421.0	
H-2P	26.320.8	23.220.9	23.120.9	22.720.7	22.320.6	21.920.6	21.720.5	21.120.5	21.121.3	21.121.0	
E-P	28.421.8	27.221.1	— ^a	— ^a	27.021.5	27.021.4	— ^a	27.220.8	27.221.0	— ^a	
H-P	29.320.4	22.620.8	— ^a	— ^a	22.420.8	22.121.0	— ^a	21.721.2	20.120.9	— ^a	

^aValues not obtained; ^bSignificantly different for euvolesmic animals from 60-min value, $P < 0.05$.

Table 4: Plasma and red blood cell acetylcholinesterase activity (AChE) as a percent of initial value in conscious guinea during euvoolemia (E) or hemorrhage (H) (0-60 min) with treatment of control (C), atropine (A), 2-PAM (2P), and pyridostigmine (P).

Plasma AChE (%)	Time (min)									
	0	30	60	90	120	150	180	210	240	270
H-C	100±3.0 ^a	80±3.2	81±4.2	79±4.2	79±4.2	81±4.0	82±4.4	79±6.2	78±5.4	84±4.6
E-A	100±12	105±12.6	105±12.8	107±12.5	107±12.5	101±12.6	106±3.7	101±14.5	104±11.4	98±9.4
H-A	100±12.3	80±6.3	84±13.1	87±14.3	83±10.8	81±12.1	78±8.5	81±11.5	79±10.7	88±11.5
E-2P	100±1.1	102±10.5	109±11	105±10	103±9.6	104±11.0	101±11.0	102±10.0	101±9.0	102±9.0
H-2P	100±6.0	88±6.0	103±8.6	82±6.6	87±8.6	81±6.0	84±6.0	86±6.0	87±6.0	91±6.0
E-P	61±10.0	58±10.0	58±10.0	57±10.0	57±10.0	59±10.0	59±10.0	59±10.0	58±10.0	58±10.0
H-P	65±4.5	40±4.3	40±4.3	46±3.6	46±3.6	47±4.0	47±4.0	44±3.3	44±3.3	44±3.3
RBCA (%)										
H-C	100±21 ^c	85±19	111±22	107±23	108±11	103±15	98±16	98±12	98±16	88±9
E-A	100±16	128±22	109±19	115±16	119±25	104±28	98±12	80±9	79±18	101±12
H-A	100±8	94±15	85±12	84±14	98±13	86±14	92±11	92±11	89±10	163±16
E-2P	100±17	94±22	81±13	80±18	90±15	88±12	97±14	99±16	115±16	101±16
H-2P	100±28	82±18	114±38	124±34	86±13	96±24	86±11	92±16	91±19	85±18
E-P	49±4	52±6	52±6	52±6	52±6	58±5	58±5	55±6	55±6	63±6
H-P	78±7	67±9.4	67±9.4	64±9	64±9	63±8	63±8	55±6	55±6	51±4

^aInitial values for plasma (U/ml): H-C = 0.480±0.018; E-A = 0.480±0.061; H-A = 0.504±0.02; E-2P = 0.457±0.048; H-2P = 0.443±0.038; E-P = 0.492±0.064; H-P = 0.447±0.067.

^bValues not obtained.

^cInitial values for red blood cell (U/ml P.): H-C = 4.11±0.90; E-A = 4.20±0.70; H-A = 4.82±0.40; E-2P = 2.46±0.31; H-2P = 2.68±0.75; E-P = 3.66±0.30; H-P = 5.71±0.21.

^dSignificantly different from H-C, P < 0.05

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