# Updates for management of postpartum hemorrhage

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# Disclosures



# Objectives

- Learn how to properly identify and diagnose postpartum hemorrhage.
- Review current trends in postpartum hemorrhage
- Understand the available treatment options for management of postpartum hemorrhage.

# ACOG revitalize program

# ▶1,000 mL

Blood loss + hypovolemia

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## **Stages of Postpartum Hemorrhage**

Stage 0 - Every patient giving birth

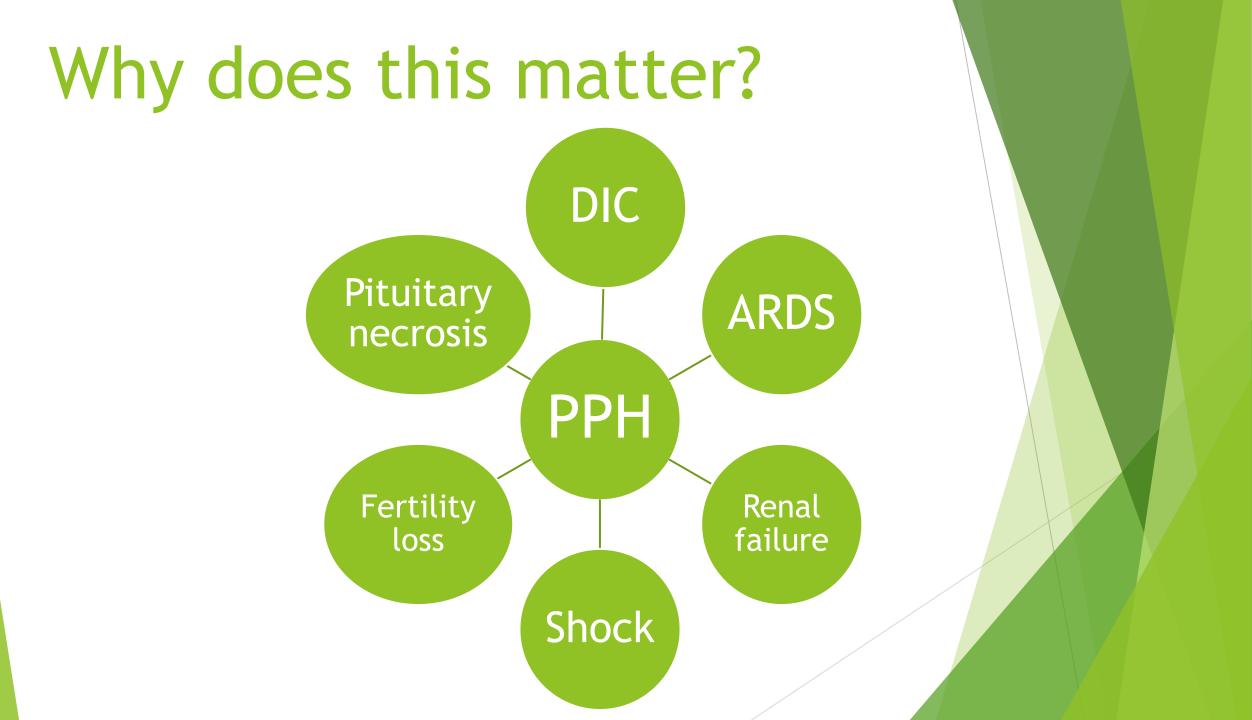
Stage 1 - Blood loss > 500 mL for a vaginal delivery or > 1000 mL for a Cesarean delivery Vital Signs Unstable with continued bleeding

Stage 2- Blood loss 1000 - 1500 mL with continued bleeding

Stage 3 - Blood loss greater than 1500 mL, Transfusion of 2 Units PRBC's, Vital Signs unstable, Suspicious for DIC

# Why does this matter?

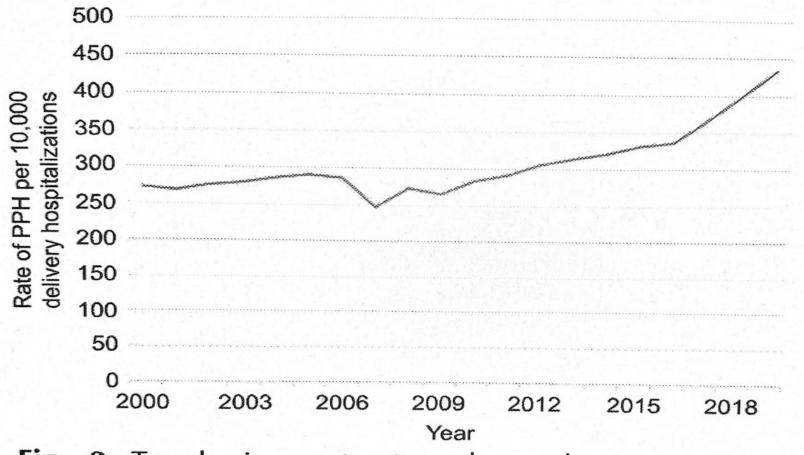




#### Risks factors for postpartum hemorrhage

- Prolonged oxytocin use
- High parity
- Intraamniotic infection/Chorioamnionitis
- General anesthesia
- Multi fetal gestation
- Macrosomia
- Polyhydramnios
- Cesarean delivery
- Fibroids
- AMA

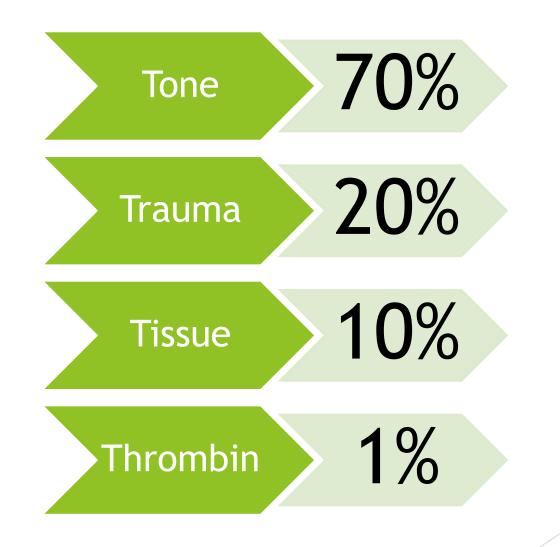
## Postpartum hemorrhage trends

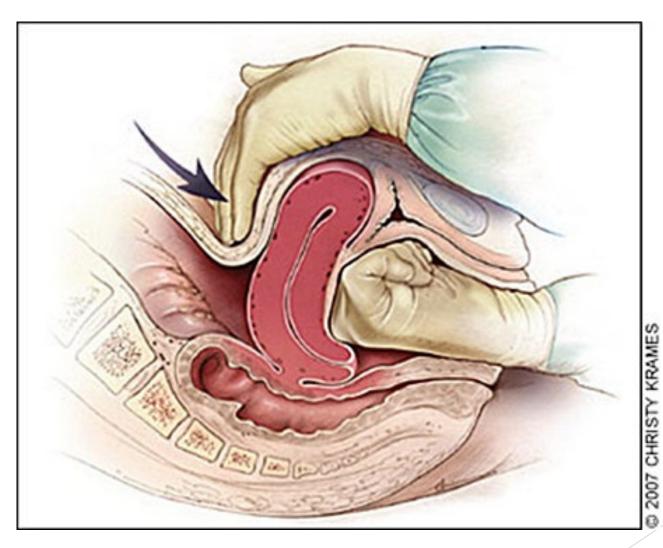


**Fig. 2.** Trends in postpartum hemorrhage (PPH) per 100,000 delivery hospitalizations by year over the 20-year study period.

Corbetta-Rastelli. Postpartum Hemorrhage Trends and Outcomes. Obstet Gynecol 2023.

#### Cause of postpartum hemorrhage 4 T's





Anderson J, Etches D, Smith D. Postpartum hemorrhage. In: Baxley E. Advanced Life Support in Obstetrics course syllabus. 4th edn. Leawood, KS: American Academy of Family Physicians, 2001



IV: 10-40 units per 1,000 mL

IM: 10 units

ContraindicationsHypersensitivity



IM every 2-4 hours

Contraindications

- ► Hypertension
- Preeclampsia
- Cardiovascular disease



IM every 15-90 minutes

Contraindications

► Asthma

Pulmonary disease

https://www.drugstorenews.com/long-grove-intros-generic-hemabate



Oral, rectal or sublingual 600-1,000 mcg once

Contraindicationshypersensitivity



**Cochrane** Database of Systematic Reviews

Uterotonic agents for first-line treatment of postpartum haemorrhage: a network meta-analysis (Review)

Parry Smith WR, Papadopoulou A, Thomas E, Tobias A, Price MJ, Meher S, Alfirevic Z, Weeks AD, Hofmeyr GJ, Gülmezoglu AM, Widmer M, Oladapo OT, Vogel JP, Althabe F, Coomarasamy A, Gallos ID

Take home points from this Cochrane review

Oxytocin is probably more effective than misoprostol and has less side effects

Misoprostol plus oxytocin likely does not improve effectiveness

Evidence for most available drugs used as first line in treatment of postpartum hemorrhage is limited.



Fibrinolysis inhibitor

Contraindications

Active thromboembolic disease

https://armaspharmaceuticals.com/products/tranexamic-acid/

Effect of early tranexamic acid administration on mortality, hysterectomy, and other morbidities in women with post-partum haemorrhage (WOMAN): an international, randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial

WOMAN Trial Collaborators\* Lancet 2017; 389: 2105-16

Take home points from the WOMAN trial

- Death due to bleeding was significantly reduced in women given tranexamic acid (especially when given within 3 hours)
- Hysterectomy was not reduced with tranexamic acid
- Adverse events (including thromboembolic events) did not differ significantly in the tranexamic acid versus placebo group.

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

#### Tranexamic Acid for the Prevention of Blood Loss after Vaginal Delivery

Loïc Sentilhes, M.D., Ph.D., Norbert Winer, M.D., Ph.D., Elie Azria, M.D., Ph.D., Marie-Victoire Sénat, M.D., Ph.D., Camille Le Ray, M.D., Ph.D.,
Delphine Vardon, M.D., Franck Perrotin, M.D., Ph.D., Raoul Desbrière, M.D., Florent Fuchs, M.D., Ph.D., Gilles Kayem, M.D., Ph.D.,
Guillaume Ducarme, M.D., Ph.D., Muriel Doret-Dion, M.D., Ph.D.,
Cyril Huissoud, M.D., Ph.D., Caroline Bohec, M.D., Philippe Deruelle, M.D., Ph.D.,
Astrid Darsonval, Pharm.D., Jean-Marie Chrétien, M.Sc., Aurélien Seco, M.Sc.,
Valérie Daniel, Pharm.D., and Catherine Deneux-Tharaux, M.D., Ph.D.,

#### No difference between groups in primary outcome of blood loss of 500 mL or more

N engl j med 379;8. August 23, 2018

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

#### Tranexamic Acid for the Prevention of Blood Loss after Cesarean Delivery

L. Sentilhes, M.V. Sénat, M. Le Lous, N. Winer, P. Rozenberg, G. Kayem,
E. Verspyck, F. Fuchs, E. Azria, D. Gallot, D. Korb, R. Desbrière, C. Le Ray,
C. Chauleur, F. de Marcillac, F. Perrotin, O. Parant, L.J. Salomon, E. Gauchotte,
F. Bretelle, N. Sananès, C. Bohec, N. Mottet, G. Legendre, V. Letouzey,
B. Haddad, D. Vardon, H. Madar, A. Mattuizzi, V. Daniel, S. Regueme,
C. Roussillon, A. Benard, A. Georget, A. Darsonval, and C. Deneux-Tharaux,
for the Groupe de Recherche en Obstétrique et Gynécologie\*

Significantly lower incidence of calculated estimated blood loss greater than 1000 ml or red-cell transfusion by day 2"

N engl j med 384;17. April 29, 2021

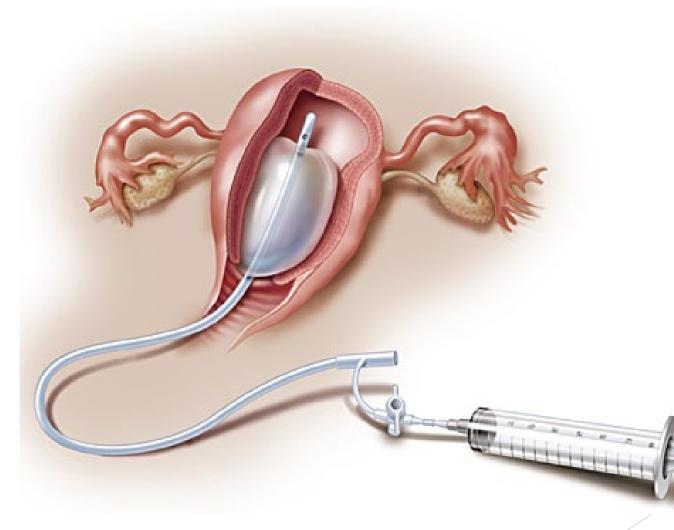
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#### ORIGINAL ARTICLE

#### Tranexamic Acid to Prevent Obstetrical Hemorrhage after Cesarean Delivery

L.D. Pacheco, R.G. Clifton, G.R. Saade, S.J. Weiner, S. Parry, J.M. Thorp, Jr., M. Longo, A. Salazar, W. Dalton, A.T.N. Tita, C. Gyamfi-Bannerman, S.P. Chauhan, T.D. Metz, K. Rood, D.J. Rouse, J.L. Bailit, W.A. Grobman, H.N. Simhan, and G.A. Macones, for the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Maternal–Fetal Medicine Units Network\*

Prophylactic use of tranexamic acid during cesarean delivery did not lead to a significantly lower risk of a composite outcome of maternal death or blood transfusion than placebo"



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https://www.empr.com/home/news/fda-clears-updates-to-jada-system-a-device-to-control-postpartum-hemorrhage/

Fig. 2. Placement of intrauterine vacuum-induced hemorrhage-control device with low-level vacuum connected (A) and uterine contraction (B). Images courtesy of Alydia Health. Used with permission.

D'Alton. Vacuum Device for Postpartum Hemorrhage. Obstet Gynecol 2020.

Α

B

Jada insertion steps

Connect syringe and remove air from cervical seal

- Squeeze intrauterine loop and insert into the uterine cavity with the cervical seal at the external os
- Fill cervical seal with 60-120 cc of sterile fluid
- ▶ Turn vacuum on and set to 80 mm Hg
- Connect Jada to vacuum tubing



#### The PEARLE study

#### Intrauterine Vacuum-Induced Hemorrhage-Control Device for Rapid Treatment of Postpartum Hemorrhage

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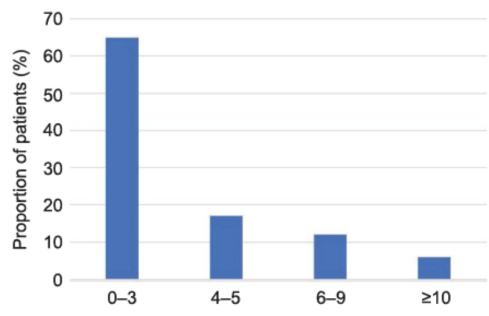
#### The PEARLE study

Multicenter, prospective single arm treatment study

Enrolled 107 patients

Primary endpoint was proportion of participants in whom the device controlled bleeding without requiring additional interventions

#### The PEARLE study



Time from vacuum connection to control (minutes)

Fig. 4. Time to control abnormal bleeding or postpartum hemorrhage (minutes).

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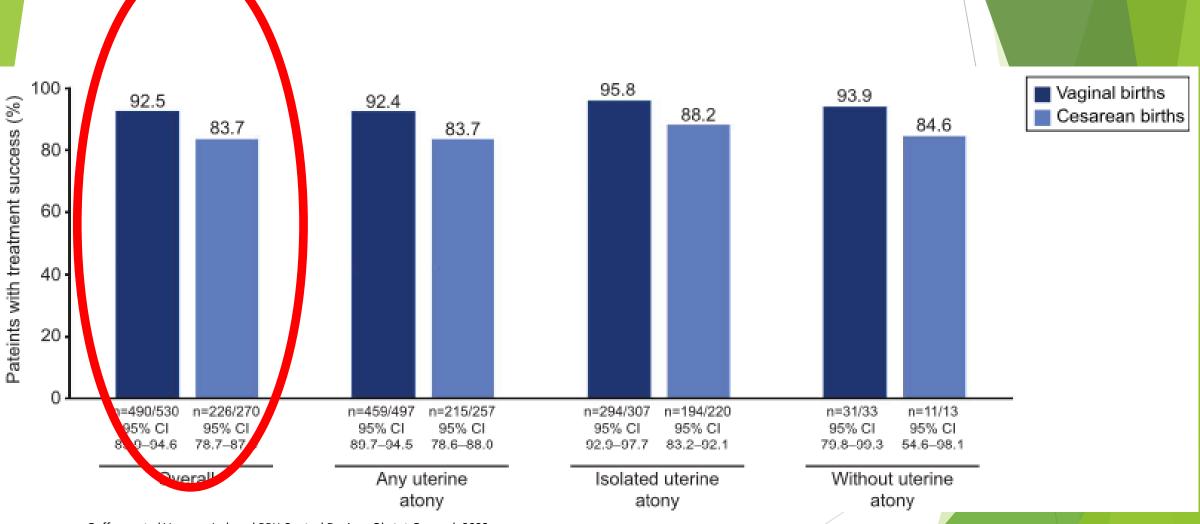
#### The PEARLE study

- Postpartum bleeding controlled in 100/106 patients (94%)
- ► 5 patients required additional treatment for atony (uterine tamponade balloon x 2, B-Lynch with Jada, B-Lynch→ hysterectomy, Hysterectomy)
- I patient required repair of unrecognized cervical laceration
- 40 patients required a blood product

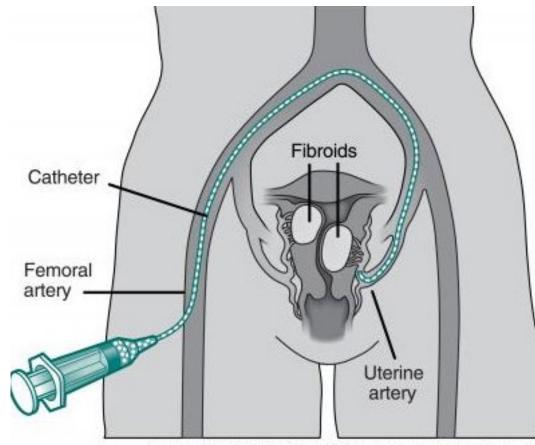
#### Treatment of postpartum hemorrhage The RUBY Study Original Research

## Real-World Utilization of an Intrauterine, Vacuum-Induced, Hemorrhage-Control Device

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Goffman et al Vacuum-Induced PPH Control Device . Obstet Gynecol. 2023



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#### Success rate of 89% (range 58-98%)

Likis et al. Management of postpartum hemorrhage. 2015.

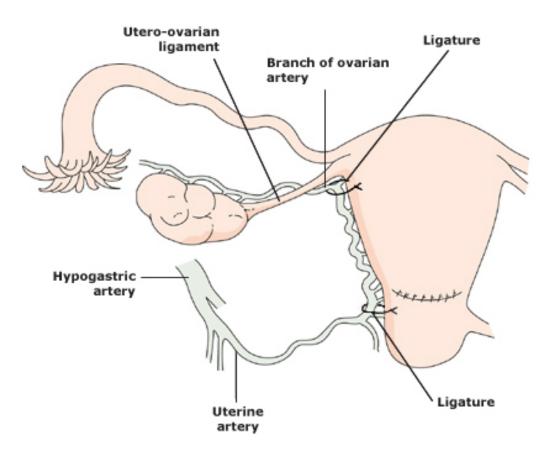
Surgical management

Vascular ligation

Uterine compression suturesB Lynch & O'Leary



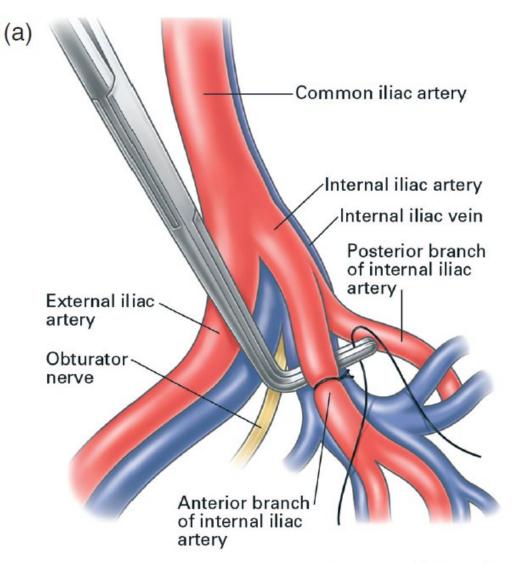
#### **Uterine artery ligation**



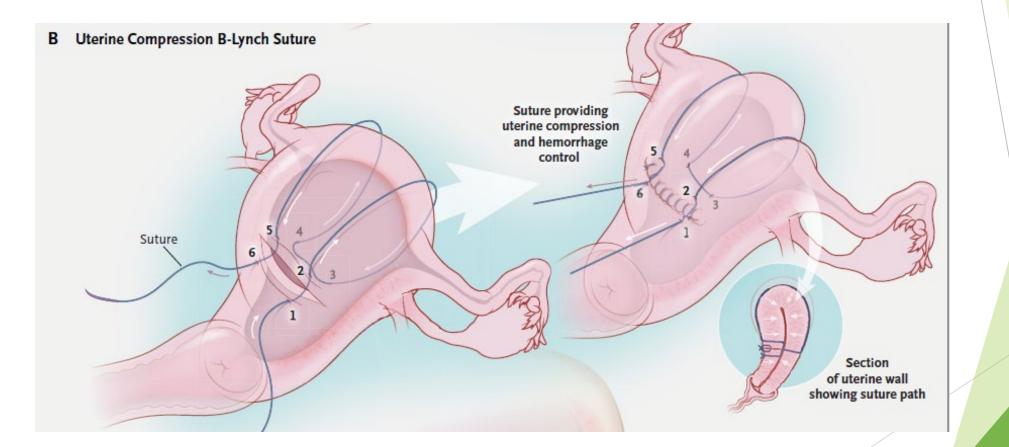
Sutures are placed to ligate the ascending uterine artery and the anastomotic branch of the ovarian artery. The procedure should be performed on each side.



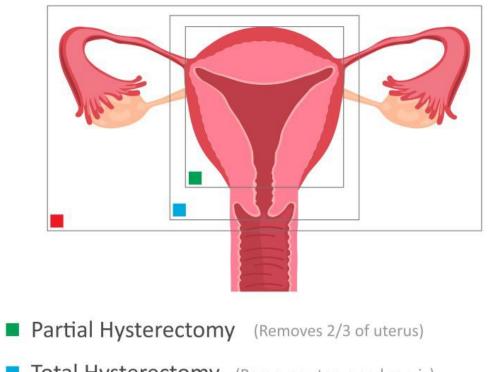
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#### TYPES OF HYSTERECTOMY



Total Hysterectomy (Removes uterus and cervix)

Radical Hysterectomy (Removes uterus, servix and vagina)

#### **Questions**?

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