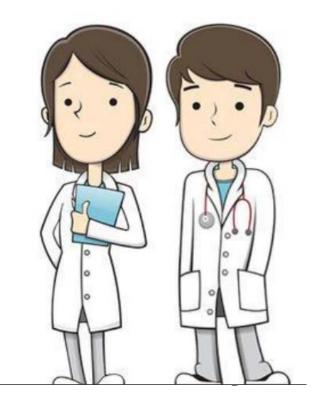
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Case Presentation: Management of COVID-19

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Pulmonary & Critical Care Fellow, UCSD

- 48 year-old male with HTN, DM, asthma, OSA
- Reported 1-week of chills, shortness of breath, cough
- Received azithromycin and hydroxychloroquine for COVID



- Presented to OSH for worsening respiratory symptoms
- Initially on 6L O2
- Received Remdesivir, dexamethasone, and convalescent plasma
- Intermittently on BiPAP
- Transferred to UCSD



Case Presentation – Admission to ICU

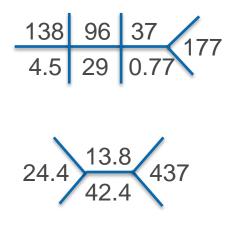


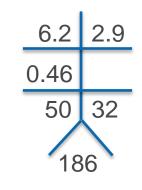




T 97.7, HR 81, BP 144/81 SpO₂ 91 on NRB Appeared comfortable in no significant respiratory distress, Good air movement, No crackles or wheezing, Chronic venous stasis changes, 2+ peripheral edema Basic laboratory studies, chest x-ray ordered He was admitted to ICU on NRB

Case Presentation – Laboratory/Imaging Studies







D-dimer 1026

ABG 7.48/43/51/30 on NRB



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What would you do?

- A. Let him ride
- B. Change to HiFlo nasal cannula at 100% FiO2 and 60 L/min
- C. Start BiPap at 100% FiO2 and 20/10
- D. Intubate, paralyze and prone

Intubated with low tidal volume ventilation

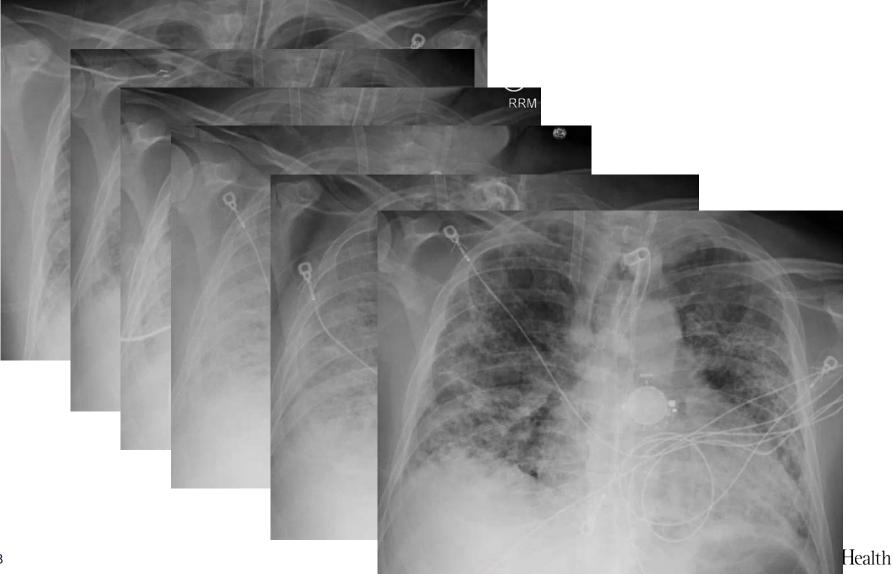
Paralyzed and proned

Diuresed for conservative fluid balance

Cannulated for VV ECMO

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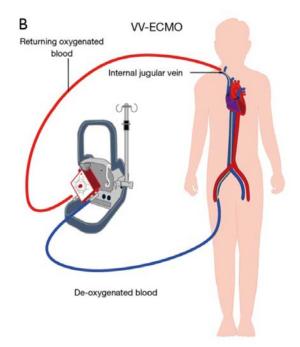
Chest x-ray – Progression throughout Hospitalization



Would you consider tracheostomy?

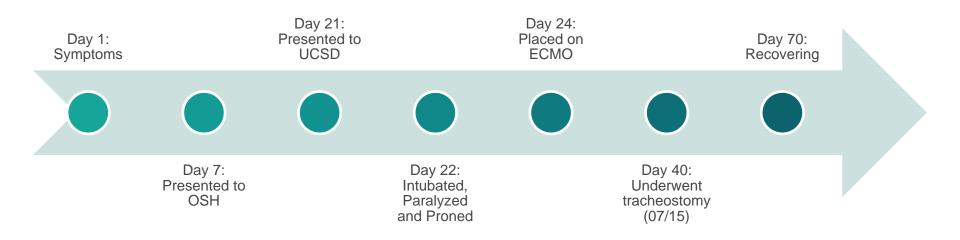
- A. Last week (week 1 of intubation)
- B. 2 weeks into mechanical ventilation
- C. 3 weeks into mechanical ventilation
- D. At time of placement on ECMO
- E. Never

- Ventilator-associated pneumonia
- Retroperitoneal bleed
- ICU-related delirium
- Oxygenator issues
- Bleeding from tracheostomy s/p cryotherapy
- Peripheral eosinophilia of unclear etiology



Case Presentation – Resolution

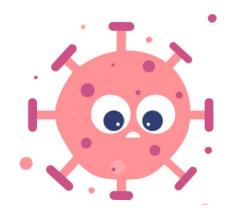
- Continuing with sweep challenges. May be decannulated early this week
- Mobilizing with physical and occupational therapy



Discussion Low tidal volume ventilation "Rescue" ECMO Proning ARDS Conservative +/- Paralysis Fluid Balance

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Expert Discussant: Dr. Amy Bellinghausen Stewart