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- Neostigmine/Glycopyrrolate Administered after Recovery from Neuromuscular Block Increases Upper Airway Collapsibility by Decreasing Genioglossus Muscle Activity in Response to Negative Pharyngeal Pressure** 1280
Frank Herbstreit, Daniela Zigran, Christof Ochterbeck, Jürgen Peters, and Matthias Eikermann
Neostigmine with glycopyrrolate reversal after recovery from neuromuscular blockade increased upper airway collapsibility and could, in patients, have negative respiratory consequences.

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Jan Fräßdorf, Ragnar Huhn, Nina C. Weber, Dirk Ebel, Nadja Wingert, Benedikt Preckel, Octavian Toma, Wolfgang Schlack, and Markus W. Hollmann
Sevoflurane-induced preconditioning is mediated by endothelial nitric oxide synthase and the extent of cardioprotection depends on the amount of preconditioning cycles. The infarct size reduction is completely blocked by aprotinin.
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Emmanuel Futier, Jean-Michel Constantin, Paolo Pelosi, Gerald Chanques, Fabrice Kwiatkoski, Samir Jaber, and Jean-Etienne Bazin
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- Discrete Change in Volatile Anesthetic Sensitivity in Mice with Inactivated Tandem Pore Potassium Ion Channel TRESK** 1326
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The first characterization of genetically modified mice with a knockout of the tandem pore potassium ion channel TRESK, focusing on their sensitivity to volatile anesthetics.
- ◆🌐 **Prediction of Postoperative Pulmonary Complications in a Population-based Surgical Cohort** 1338
Jaume Canet, Lluís Gallart, Carmen Gomar, Guillem Paluzie, Jordi Vallès, Jordi Castillo, Sergi Sabaté, Valentin Mazo, Zahara Briones, and Joaquin Sanchis; on behalf of the ARISCAT Group
The risk of postoperative pulmonary complications in a broad surgical population can be accurately predicted from seven easily observed variables. SUPPLEMENTAL DIGITAL CONTENT IS AVAILABLE IN THE TEXT
- 🌐 **Hypoxia Induces Late Preconditioning in the Rat Heart *In Vivo*** 1351
Marc M. Berger, Ragnar Huhn, Gezina T. Oei, André Heinen, Andreas Winzer, Inge Bauer, Benedikt Preckel, Nina C. Weber, Wolfgang Schlack, and Markus W. Hollmann
Hypoxic late preconditioning exerts cardioprotective effects in the rat in vivo. Cardioprotection cannot be enhanced by early preconditioning or modified anesthetic techniques. The cardioprotection of hypoxic late preconditioning is mediated by protein kinase C ϵ . SUPPLEMENTAL DIGITAL CONTENT IS AVAILABLE IN THE TEXT

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Johan Petersson, Malin Ax, Joana Frey, Alejandro Sánchez-Crespo, Sten G. E. Lindahl, and Margareta Mure
The study demonstrates that positive end-expiratory pressure shifts regional lung ventilation and blood flow differently between supine and prone postures. The results suggest that positive end-expiratory pressure should be reduced in prone patients.
- KA** **Inhalation Anesthesia Increases V/Q Regional Heterogeneity during Spontaneous Breathing in Healthy Subjects** **1370**
Sven Nyren, Peter Radell, Margareta Mure, Johan Petersson, Hans Jacobsson, Sten G. E. Lindahl, and Alejandro Sánchez-Crespo
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Multiple organ dysfunctions secondary to pulmonary sepsis in sheep can be attenuated by selective inhibition of neuronal nitric oxide synthase in the first hours of sepsis and subsequent specific blockade of inducible nitric oxide synthase.
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Flora Y. Wong, Theodora Alexiou, Thilini Samarasinghe, Vojta Brodecky, and Adrian M. Walker
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Yun Guan, Paul W. Wacnik, Fei Yang, Alene F. Carteret, Chih-Yang Chung, Richard A. Meyer, and Srinivasa N. Raja
Bipolar electrical-conditioning stimulation of the dorsal column or the lumbar dorsal roots attenuates dorsal horn neuronal hyperexcitability in neuropathic rats and inhibits short-term neuronal sensitization.
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James P. Rathmell, Adrien E. Desjardins, Marjolein van der Voort, Benno H.W. Hendriks, Rami Nachabe, Stefan Roggeveen, Drazenko Babic, Michael Söderman, Marcus Brynolf, and Björn Holmström
This study demonstrates that the epidural space in swine can be identified by optical spectroscopy using a custom needle with integrated optical fibers.
- Buprenorphine Enhances and Prolongs the Postoperative Analgesic Effect of Bupivacaine in Patients Receiving Infragluteal Sciatic Nerve Block** **1419**
Kenneth D. Candido, Jason Hennes, Sergio Gonzalez, Marianne Mikat-Stevens, Michael Pinzur, Vladimir Vasic, and Nebojsa Nick Knezevic
Buprenorphine may enhance and prolong the analgesic effect of bupivacaine when used for sciatic nerve blocks. Buprenorphine may not have equi-analgesic efficacy in all peripheral nerve blocks when combined with local anesthetics.

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James E. Paul, Barbara Bertram, Karen Antoni, Marianne Kampf, Terri Kitowski, Aled Morgan, Ji Cheng, and Lehana Thabane

Adverse drug events related to patient controlled analgesia (PCA) place patients at risk for perioperative complications. Critical incident reports were reviewed from three tertiary care hospitals and critical incidents attributable to PCA errors were identified. Then, safety interventions were implemented: new PCA pumps, new preprinted physician orders, nursing and patient education, a manual independent double check, and a formal nursing transfer of accountability. In 25,198 patients treated with PCA during this study, 62 (0.25%) errors were found, 21 (0.08%) involving pump programming. Comparing with the pre-safety intervention period, the odds ratio of a PCA error post-safety intervention was 0.28 (95% confidence interval [CI] = 0.14, 0.53, P < 0.001) and the odds ratio of a pump programming error post-safety intervention was 0.05 (95% CI = 0.001, 0.30, P < 0.001). The authors conclude that safety can be improved by addressing equipment, education, and process issues. SUPPLEMENTAL DIGITAL CONTENT IS AVAILABLE IN THE TEXT

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Torsten Gordh, Torsten E. Gordh, and Kjell Lindqvist

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Eddie Weitzberg, Michael Hezel, and Jon O. Lundberg

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