



# **Taula rodona II: Discussió de casos clínics en pacient politraumàtic**

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21 years old woman.

**M** Bicycle accident

**I** Abdominal pain

**S** BP 110/74 – HR 110x' – BR 24x' – Sat O2 98%

Glasgow 15

**T** Immobilized and cervical collar.

Day 1 – 21:40H. Trauma bay

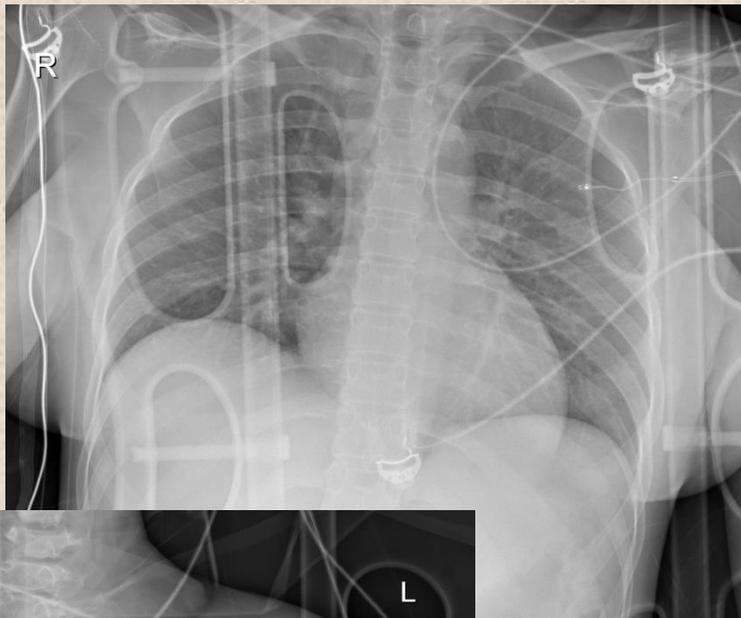
- A. Permeable airway, Cervical collar.
- B. Preserved breath sounds, BR 20x'. Sat O2 100%.
- C. BP 83/57 – HR 99x'. Abdominal pain in the upper zone. Pelvis and extremities ok.
- D. Glasgow 15. Normal pupils. No neurological focus
- E. Left escapular erosion. Left clavicular pain.

Oxygen mask 100%

500cc RL

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Blood test: **21.89 L**, Hb 126, Plat 293, PT 1.03,  
**CK 688**, pH 7.33, pCO<sub>2</sub> 37.8, Bic 19.3, EB -5.6,  
**Lactate 28** (N<22)

**<10min, <1l RL & O2 100%:**  
Sat O2 100%, BP 111/78, HR 99x'.  
Upper abdominal pain.



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BP 79/50 – HR 115x'



- ICU and resuscitation
- Surgery
- If you have a ready interventionalist radiologist: embolization
- Another option



## Activate massive transfusion protocol

Surgery Day 1: 23 – 00:30H (85min)

During intubation process → Cardiac arrest → Overtaken with CPR maneuvers.

### Midline laparotomy:

Important hemoperitoneum with a big hepatic injury (antero-post) that breaks liver in 2 fragments.

Closed liver with hands + Pringle

**Blood test:** Hb 6.4, Leuc 17,400 /L, Plat 76 000/, PT 1,48,  
Fibrinogen 0,8 g/L (N 1.5 - 4.5), Lactate 56,8 ( N <22), pH= 7.32

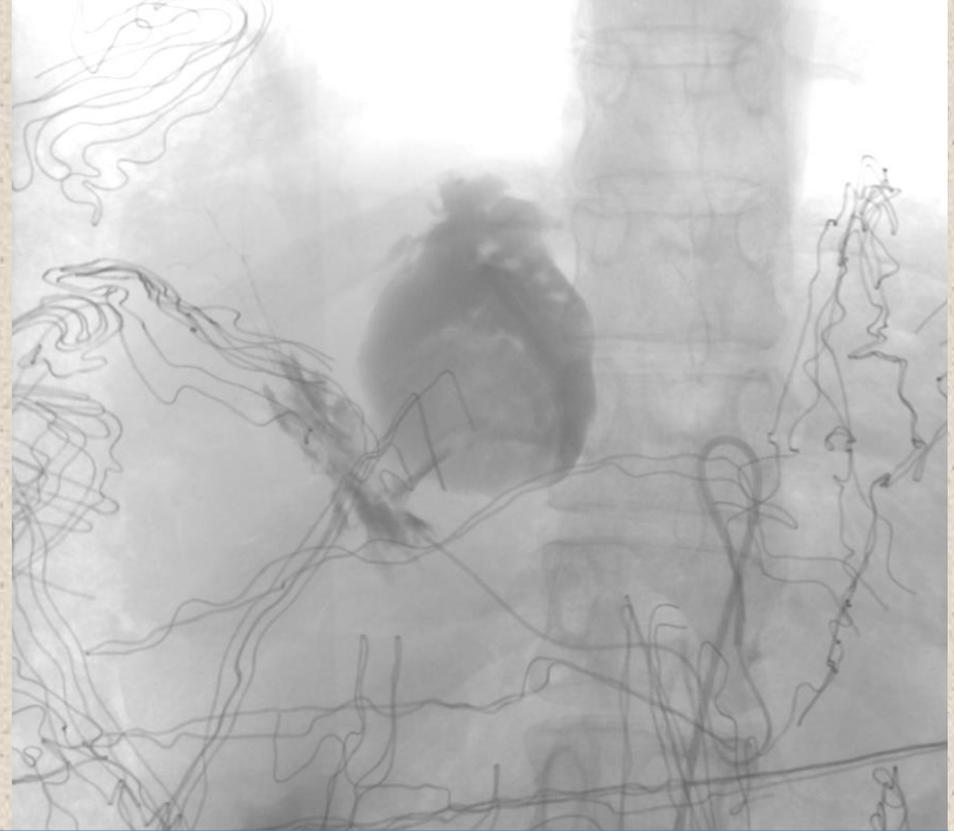


Interventional radiologist prepared:

Liver packing – Removed Pringle – Open abdomen

1000 colloids, 2000 crystalloids, 8RBC, 1 pool plat,  
4 Fresh Frozen Plasma, 6g fibrinogen, 1g tranexamic  
acid (guided by viscoelastic techniques: Rotem®)

**Angiography – Day 1: 01:30H**



Important contrast extravasation with active bleeding in subdivision of the right hepatic artery.

→ 7 RBC, 2 FFP, Vasoactive drugs.

# evidence

HOW DO WE KNOW WHAT WE KNOW?

Hemodynamically instable or signs of peritonitis **MUST** be surgery (Level 1)

Trauma management guideline  
JTrauma 2012

## ARTERIOGRAPHY

### Primary embolization:

Hemodynamically stable with contrast extravasation on CT (Level 2)

Trauma management guideline. JTrauma 2012  
Misselbeck et al. JTrauma 2009  
Letoublon et al. JTrauma 2011  
Ward et al. EmJTraumaEmergSurg 2015

### Postoperative embolization:

Think about it before bleeding difficult to control (Level 2)

- Decreases mortality (60%→30%<sup>1</sup>, 36%→12%<sup>2</sup>)
- Avoids multiples operations in hemodynamically and physiologically compromised patients<sup>3</sup>.

Trauma management guideline JTrauma 2012  
Asensio, Demetriades et al. JTrauma 2003<sup>1</sup>  
Johnosn et al. JTrauma 2002<sup>2</sup>  
Asensio, Demetriades et al. JTrauma 2000<sup>3</sup>

### Late embolization:

Due to rupture or persistence of pseudoaneurisms

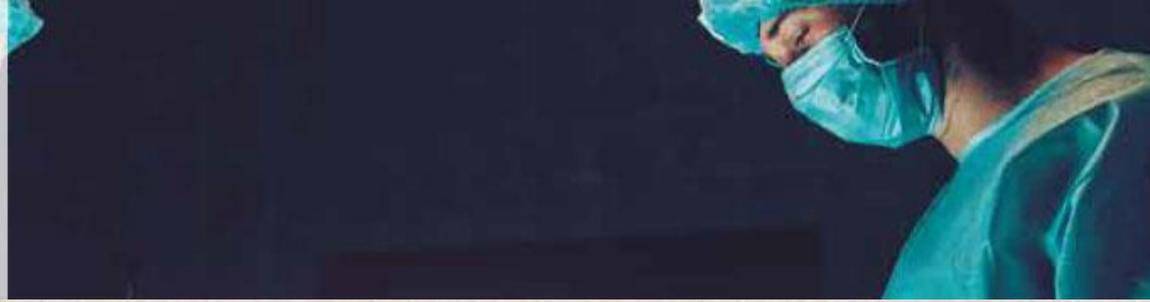
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Controversy: TRANSIENT RESPONSE --> Embolization vs Surgery

To consider the use of arteriography (Level 2)

Its use is safe and effective, but it needs more statistical significance

Trauma management guideline. JTrauma 2012  
Hogiwara et al, JTrauma 2004  
Bauer et al, SemIntRad 2004



## ICU Day 2

BP 80/50 – HR 120x'.

Oliguria

Desaturation

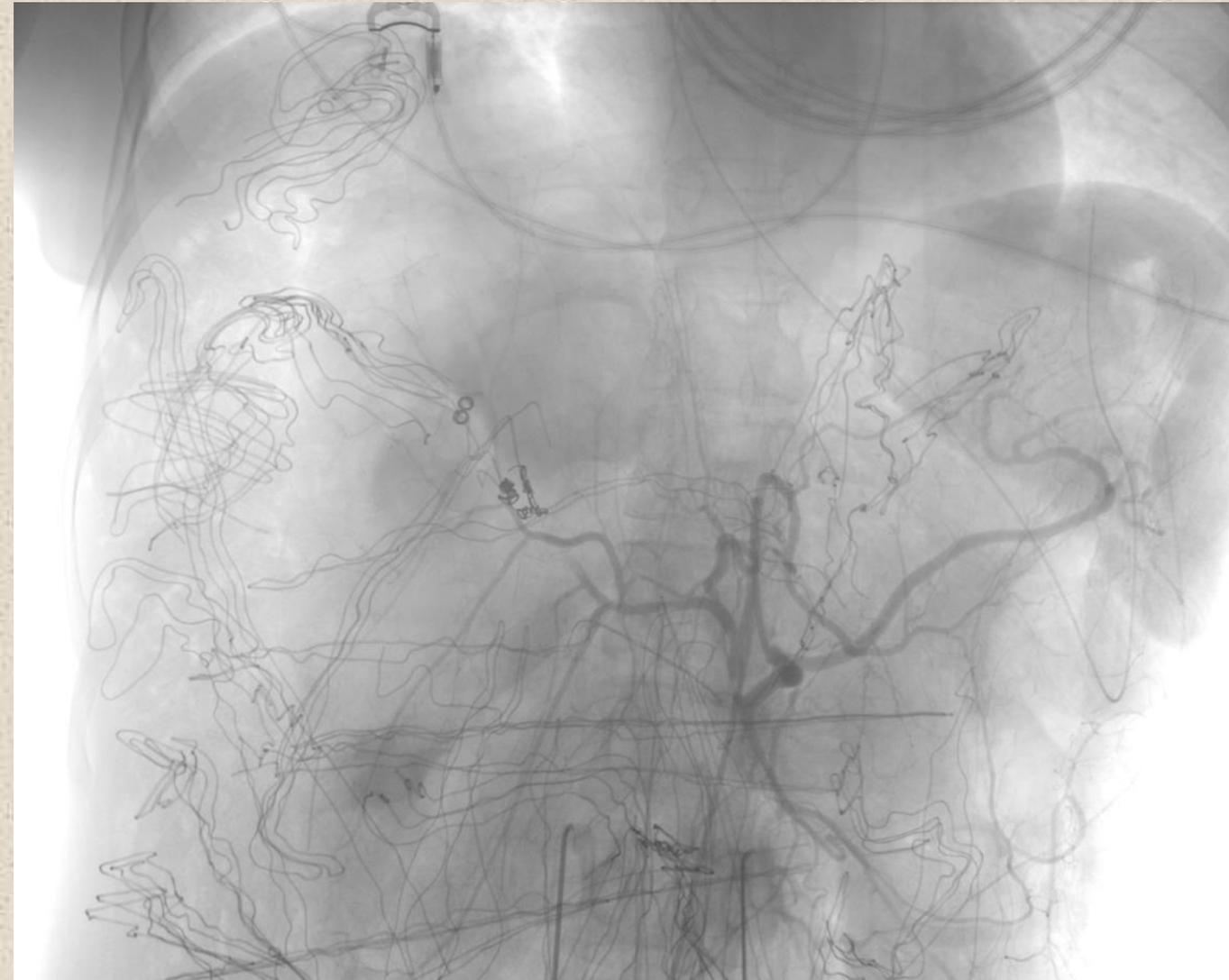
Blood test: 6 Leuc, Hb 112, **PT 1.64**, Creat 0.67, **AST 1308**, **ALT 1581**,  
BT 1.2, **Lactate 42** (N<22)



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No signs of active bleeding.  
Intrahepatic portal branches are not visualized, identifying correctly extrahepatic portal vein which had inverted flow to inferior mesenteric vein.





## **Surgery Day 2: 16 – 17:15H (74min)**

Removed packing → Patient get better

Poor hemoperitoneum.

Known hepatic laceration with clot without active bleeding + Some areas of the right liver with signs of ischemia.

Re-packing + Open abdomen.

Abdominal Compartment Syndrome is possible despite open abdomen

Patients with ACS have more mortality and MOF

Risk Factors:

- Fascial closure after primary laparotomy
- Politransfusions
- Abdominal injuries + Pelvic trauma

Offner et al. Arch Surg 2001

Letoublon et al. JViscSurg 2016

Ertel et al. CritCareMed 2000

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How do we go about time?



## ICU

Correct evolution

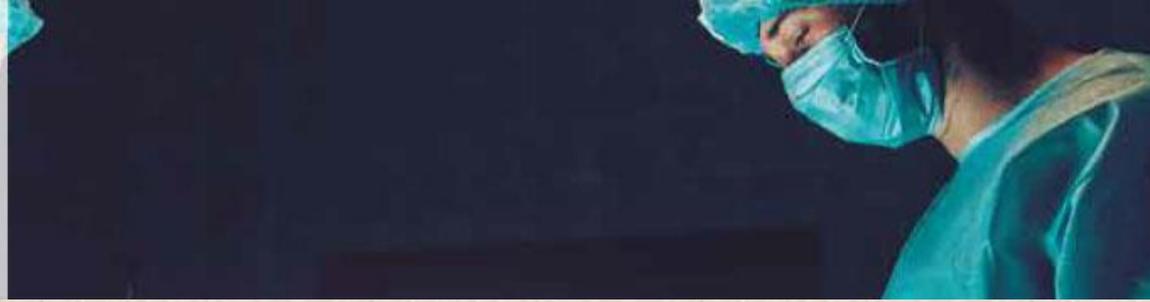
Day 3: Biliary fluid through laparostomy

## Surgery

Biliary leak in the middle of the hepatic laceration, on the V-VIII segments



Cholecistectomy + Drains +  
Close abdominal wall.



**ICU:** Correct evolution.

**Home:** 11 day after the accident

**Biliary fistula:** 500-800ml/day during 1 month. Closed spontaneously.





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