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Abstract

Background: lung ultrasound examination is gaining popularity in patient assessment and guiding patient management. We intend to evaluate fluid responsiveness in mechanically ventilated patients by measuring IVC distensibility index and lung B-lines by sonography comparing their accuracy with PPV as a noninvasive parameter.

Methods Minimal sample size of patients was 118 patients with 59 responsive cases and 59 non-responsive cases. Calculation is guided by AUC of 0.915 obtained from a study in comparison to a null value of 0.8, with alpha of 0.05 and power of 90%. Sample size was increased to 150 patients to increase precision and ensure that at least 59 responsive and 59 non-responsive cases are included.

Results: In our study, the best cut off value for PPV was >13 with best sensitivity 94% and specificity 93% for fluid responsiveness, dIVC cut off value was > 18.5 with 90 % sensitivity and 96% specificity and delta b line sensitivity was 77% and specificity was 100%.

Conclusion: Pulse pressure variation, inferior vena cava distensibility index and lung Ultrasound have a predictive value for fluid responsiveness with high sensitivity and specificity.

Keywords: lung ultrasound, IVC distensibility index, pulse pressure variation, central venous pressure, fluid responsiveness.