

Neurally adjusted ventilatory assist

for patients at risk of extended ventilation:

A randomised feasibility trial with local and national surveys

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Mechanical ventilation (MV)

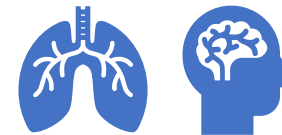
MV weaning

MV automation
(Neurally Adjusted Ventilatory Assist – NAVA)

Duration associated with ↑ morbidity, mortality & cost

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(dysynchrony; over/under assist; time and expertise;
national practice variation)

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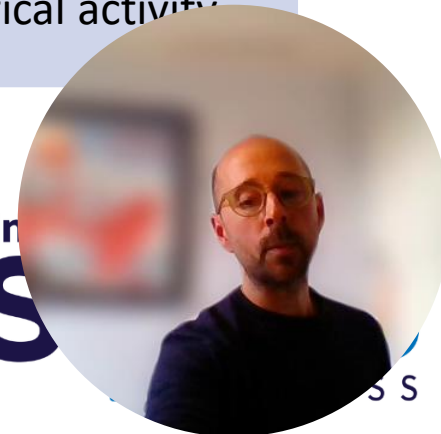
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Ventilator Weaning and Discontinuation Practices for Critically Ill Patients

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Pressure support ventilation in intensive care patients receiving prolonged invasive ventilation [Crit Care Resusc 2021; 23 \(4\): 394-402](#)

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Mechanical Ventilation-induced Diaphragm Atrophy Strongly Impacts Clinical Outcomes **AJRCCM**
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NAVA evidence pre 2014 – numerous physiological studies

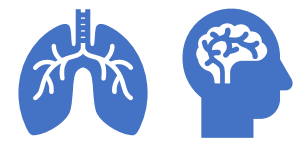
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2012



BRC STEM Fellowship

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Methods / results

****Extensive peer review**
(NIHR applications / UKCCRF / conferences etc.)

Development / adaption to new guidance
(Consort extension to randomized pilot & feasibility trials, 2016)

Overall aim: To investigate important uncertainties and test methods prior to a large effectiveness trial (feasibility)

1. A parallel group, allocation concealed, open label, pilot randomised controlled trial

Sample size: 76 patients (38 in each arm)

- P** IMV + risk of extended support (COPD, Heart Failure, or ARDS)
- I** NAVA (monitor / mode)
- C** Usual care using PSV
- O** Compliance (% eligible time in ventilation mode)
Exploratory secondary including VFDs, LOS and sedation

- Feasibility: Mode adherence, protocol compliance, protocol acceptability

Median (95%CI) adherence 83.1% (64.0–97.1%); protocol compliance 66.7% (50.3–80.0%)
Physician refusal (12%) & consent rates (72%)

- Exploratory outcomes suggest potential clinical benefit for NAVA

More VFDs to D28 ($p = 0.04$); fewer in-hospital deaths ($p = 0.032$); RASS scores closer to 0 ($p=0.02$)

2. Single centre, web and paper cross-sectional ICU staff survey

Aim: To investigate experience, attitudes, beliefs, facilitators and barriers to NAVA use and future research

Design: Single centre, web and paper cross-sectional ICU staff survey. 39 mixed open and structured questions. Rigorous development and testing

Of 466 distributed questionnaires, 301 (64.6%) were returned from 236 nurses (78.4%), 53 doctors (17.6%) and 12 physiotherapists (4.0%).

- Belief that NAVA is safe and clinically effective

- Low confidence; perception of technical difficulty; need for training

- Strong support for future research



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Research outputs


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RESEARCH **Open Access**

Neurally adjusted ventilatory assist versus pressure support ventilation: a randomized controlled feasibility trial performed in patients at risk of prolonged mechanical ventilation

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2020

BMJ Open Respiratory Research **Critical care**

Factors affecting the use of neurally adjusted ventilatory assist in the adult critical care unit: a clinician survey

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1	ICS 2022	Oral Pres	NAVA: A randomised, controlled, clinical and cost effectiveness trial
2	BACCN 2022	Oral Pres	Weaning modes of mechanical ventilation
3	UKCCRF 2021	Oral Pres	NAVA in the adult critical care unit
4	ESICM 2019	Poster	NAVA: A cross-sectional staff survey
5	UKCCRF 2018	Oral Pres	NAVA vs PSV in Prolonged Weaning
6	ATS 2018	Poster	NAVA vs Pressure Support in Prolonged Mechanical Ventilation: A Randomised Feasibility Study
7	ESICM 2018	Poster	The effect of NAVA on sedation score and sedation load
8	ESICM 2018	Poster	A pilot study to develop the feasibility of patient-controlled ventilatory weaning using NAVA
9	BACCN 2017	Oral Pres	NAVA in prolonged ventilation
10	ISICEM 2017	Poster	NAVA vs Pressure Support in prolonged mechanical ventilation: A feasibility study
11	ESICM 2017	Poster	The use of neural monitoring to assist decision-making in terminal extubation...
12	ICS 2016	Poster	NAVA in Prolonged Mechanical Ventilation: The challenges of conducting a feasibility...
13	UKCCRF 2012	Oral Pres	A randomised feasibility study examining NAVA...
14	ISICEM 2011	Poster	An observational retrospective review of utilisation and outcomes of diaphragmatic EMG...
15	ESICM 2010	Poster	The Introduction of NAVA into a Central London Teaching Hospital...
16	ISICEM 2011	Poster	Diaphragmatic EMG monitoring during common interventions in critically ill adult patients
17	BACCN 2010	Poster	NAVA: Introduction of a new ventilation mode to a General Critical Care Unit
18	BACCN 2010	Poster	NAVA: Establishing the Edi signal as a useful monitoring tool...



ICS 2022 Research Prioritisation Shorlist

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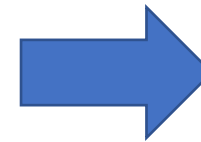


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Impact / Future

Impact on future ICU research capacity...

2012	NIHR National Institute for Health Research	BRC STEM Fellowship
2014	The Moulton Charity	Clinical Research Award
2015	NIHR National Institute for Health Research	Clinical Doctoral Research Fellowship
2019	NIHR National Institute for Health Research	70@70 Nursing & Midwifery Research Leadership
2021	NHS Health Education England	ICA Post-Doctoral Bridging
2022	NIHR National Institute for Health Research	CRN Greenshoots



Research leadership, collaboration and support for colleagues across all professional groups...



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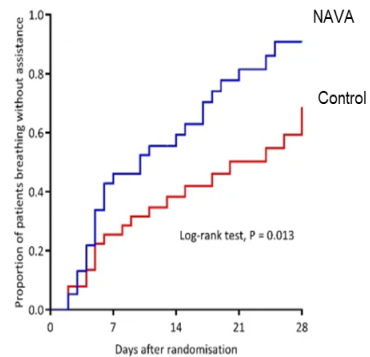
Impact / Future

HADFIELD, CRIT CARE 2020

78 patients 'at risk' of prolonged MV Single site

D28 VFDs median difference 3
95% CI 0-11, p=0.041

Mean MV difference (days)
-8.3, 95% CI -16.6 to -0.1; p = 0.049

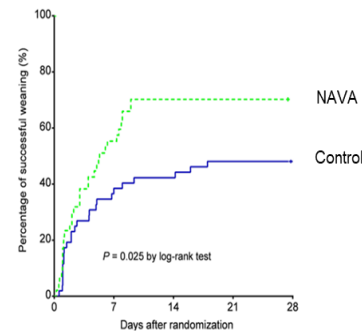


LIU, ANESTHESIOLOGY 2020

99 patients with one failed SBT . Single site

D28 VFDs mean difference 5.3
95% CI 1.2-9.7; p=0.039

Mean MV difference (days)
-5.3, 95% CI -9.2 to -1.4; p= 0.039

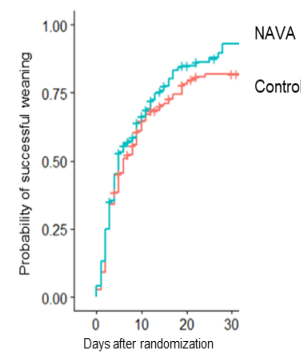


KACMAREK, ICM 2020

306 ARF patients ventilation ≥72h. 15 sites

D28 VFDs median difference 4
95% CI (0-8); p=0.016

Mean MV difference (days)
-4.1, 95% CI -7 to -1.3; p=0.005



NATIONAL SURVEY (2021 unpublished)

Aims: NAVA availability, use and trial support

Sample: ICU clinicians (ICS / UKCCRF)



Results summary:

- 163 responses from 86 NHS hospitals
- Automated technologies available at 63/86 (73.3%) hospitals. NAVA ventilators available in 31% NHS Trusts.
- Amongst hospitals with NAVA, 56.5% indicated experience
- Overall opinions:
 - 62.3% would use NAVA if available (31.5% unsure)
 - 85.4% agreed current evidence is uncertain
 - 91.5% wanted more evidence.
- Relating to the proposed trial only 4.6% said not recruit.



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- Question:** What is the clinical and cost-effectiveness of NAVA for patients at risk of extended durations of mechanical ventilation?
- Design:** A randomized, parallel group, allocation concealed, controlled, open, phase 3 pragmatic clinical and cost effectiveness trial with internal pilot
- Population:** Adult ICU admissions + IMV + risk of extended support
- Sample:** 950 (475 per arm) to detect a 2-day difference in mean duration of MV
- Sites:** 40 adult UK ICUs



...starting soon
(hopefully)

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