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4. アルブミン製剤の適正使用について

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今般、英国コクラン研究所から、既存の無作為抽出比較試験24報を系統的な総合評価を行った結果、重篤な循環血流量減少、熱傷、低アルブミン血症等の患者で、アルブミンを投与した群と投与していない群とで比較検討したところ、投与群で死亡率が高かったとの論文が報告されたので紹介する。

このコクラン研究所の報告を受け、現在、我が国においては、中央薬事審議会において専門家による検討が行われているところであるが、各国においてもアルブミンの適正使用に関して注意喚起がなされているところである。今後ともアルブミンの使用にあたっては使用基準を踏まえ、適用を十分に検討するとともに患者の状態を十分に観察する等、慎重に行うことが必要である。

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on time to death. If a report did not members of deaths in each group, we ata from the authors. Two reviewers extracted the data, and any disagree- lved by discussion.

Additional statistical methods

Intention-to-treat method to calculate risk differences, and 95% confidence interval for each trial on an intention to treat analysis (Review Manager) statistical software. There are no events in one group the 5 to each cell of the 2x2 table. We used the Mantel-Haenszel test for heterogeneity between trials using χ^2 tests, with significant heterogeneity. As long as heterogeneity did not exist, we used a fixed effects model to calculate summary relative risks and confidence intervals.

The extent to which the results of the study have been biased as a result of the inclusion of randomised trials with positive results and other selection bias, we performed a funnel plot and used the regression approach to plot asymmetry proposed by Egger. The log odds ratio in the funnel plot is the measure that is used in the funnel plot asymmetry as described by Egger. Using simple unweighted linear regression, the standard normal deviate of the odds ratio divided by its standard error (defined as the standard error of the estimate's precision). The larger the deviation from the regression line from zero, the more likely it is that the study has biased estimates of effect. As a result, we considered $P < 0.1$ to indicate asymmetry.

of 32 randomised controlled trials met the inclusion criteria.⁷⁻³⁸ The table shows the results of these trials. Mortality data were obtained from the published report or on request from the authors in 30 of these trials. The two trials in which mortality data could not be obtained involved randomised patients, comprising a total of 100 randomised patients in all trials meeting the inclusion criteria.²²⁻³¹ One of the trials was registered in the Medical Research Council, and we obtained further details, including mortality, directly from the trialist. In 13 trials, deaths in either the intervention or control group were reported in five early reports.

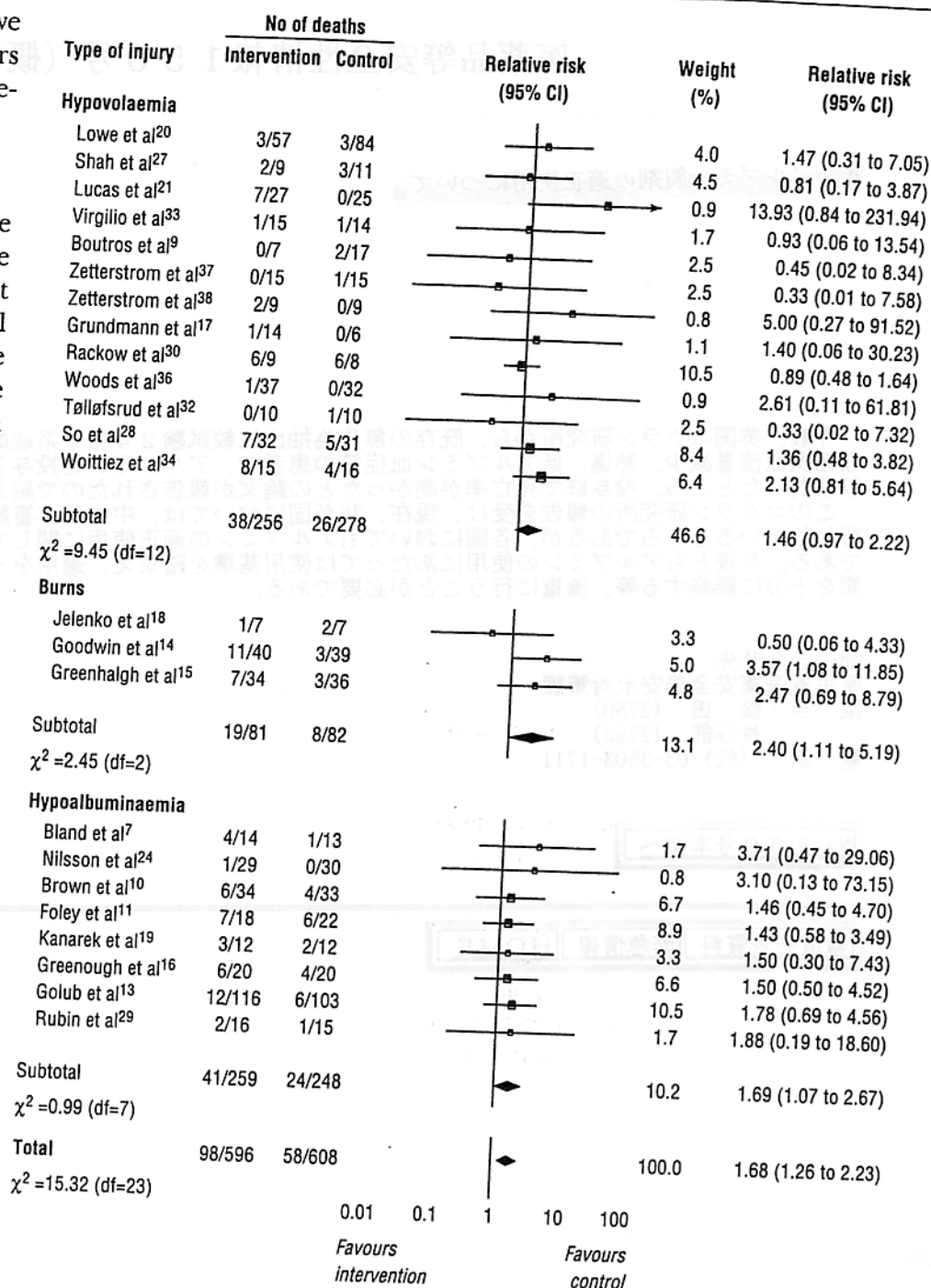


Fig 1 Fixed effects model of relative risks (95% confidence interval) of death associated with intervention (fluid resuscitation with albumin or plasma protein fraction) compared with control (no albumin or plasma protein fraction or resuscitation with a crystalloid solution) in critically ill patients

13 included a method of allocation concealment that would be expected to reduce the risk of foreknowledge of treatment allocation (pharmacy controlled randomisation or serially numbered sealed opaque envelopes). In seven trials this was unclear, and in four trials concealment was inadequate (table).

In each of the patient categories the risk of death in the albumin treated group was higher than in the comparison group (fig 1). For hypovolaemia the relative risk of death after albumin administration was 1.46