Measurements of Tissue Oxygen and Hemoglobin on a Near Infra-red Spectroscopy in Emergency Patients with Poor General Conditions



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Introduction

- In patients with poor general conditions, conventional pulse oximeters are sometimes unable to determine the oxygen saturation because of peripheral arteriole constriction.
- We developed a miniaturized sensor of near infra-red spectroscopy (NIRS) whose source-detector distance is shorter to detect regional oxygen saturation when examiners mount it on their fingers. ¹⁾
- This system was applied to the trasnvaginal evaluation of fetal oxygen dynamics during 2nd stage of labor. ²⁾

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Methods

- We collected 22 normal control (male/female: 11/11, age: 45±15 y.o.) and 83 patients taken to our ER in an ambulance due to various diseases or injuries including cardio-pulmonary arrest as a pilot study.
- It was investigated whether measurement of arterial oxygen saturation by a conventional pulse oximeter was available.
- We measured total hemoglobin index (T-HbI) and regional tissue oxygenation (rSO2) on index finger pulp (IF), thenar eminence (TM) and sternocleidomastoid muscle (SM) using NIRS with the miniaturized sensor, "Toccare (Astem Co., Ltd., Kawasaki, Japan)".
- T-HbI and rSO₂ were compared among each part, and between normal control and patients.

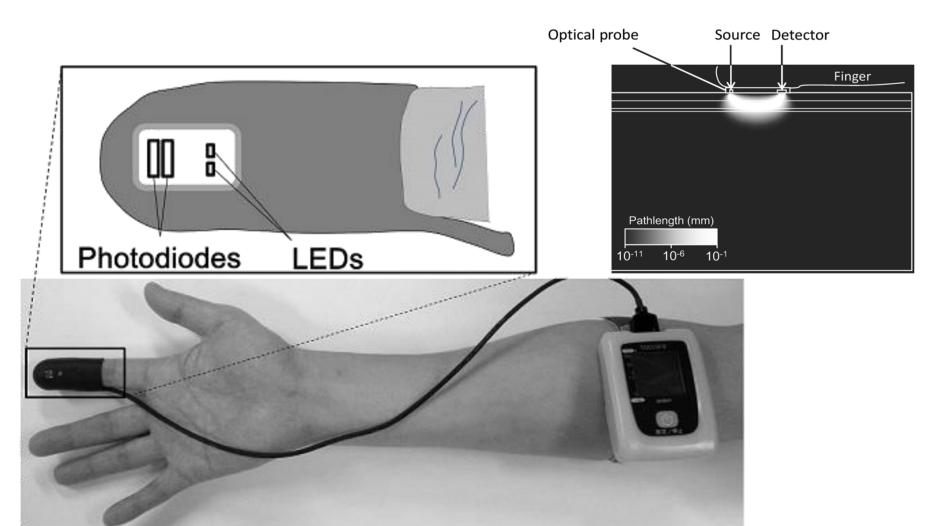


Fig 1. NIRS with a new miniaturized tissue oxygenation sensor
The bare chips of the LEDs and photodiodes were mounted on the substrate with a wire
bonding. The detectors were located 6 and 8 mm away from the LEDs in order to determine
an absolute value of the hemoglobin concentration using the spatially resolved NIRS. This
system can work by batteries.

Index finger pulp (IF) Sternocleidomastoid muscle (SM) Thenar eminence (TE)

Results

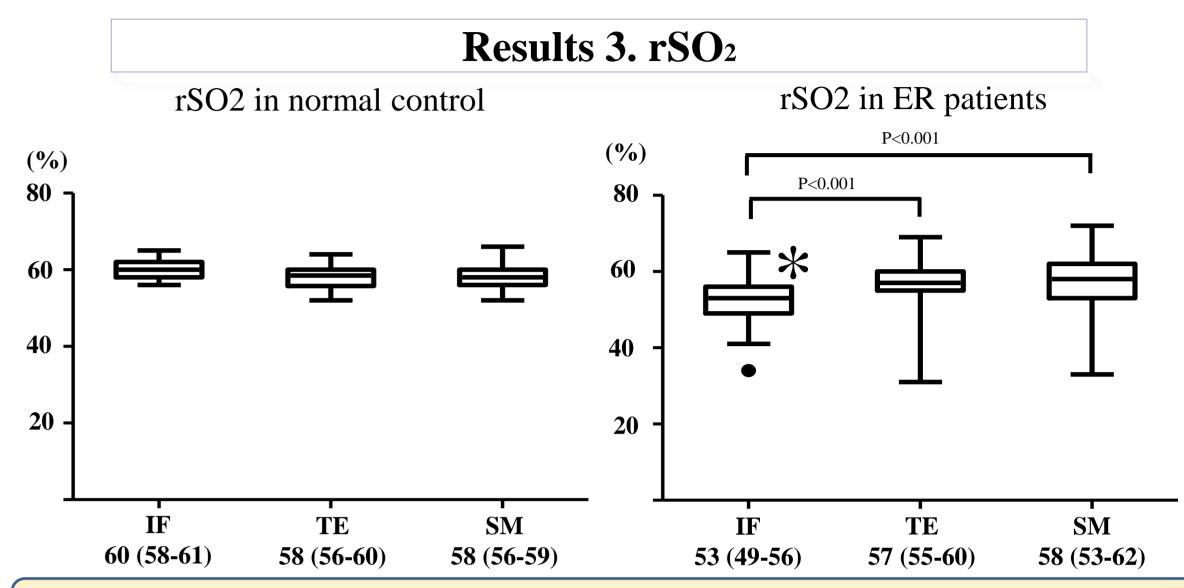
Results 1. Patients characteristics

Age (y.o.)	66±20
Male/Female	48/35
Systolic BP (mmHg)	130 ± 48
Diastolic BP (mmHg)	74 ± 28
Pulse (bpm)	78 ± 28

Baseline diseases	
Cardiovascular disease	17
CNS disease	16
Gastrointestinal disease	12
Injury	12
Infection	10
Poisoning	6
Respiratory disease	4
Endocrine disease	3
Renal disease	2

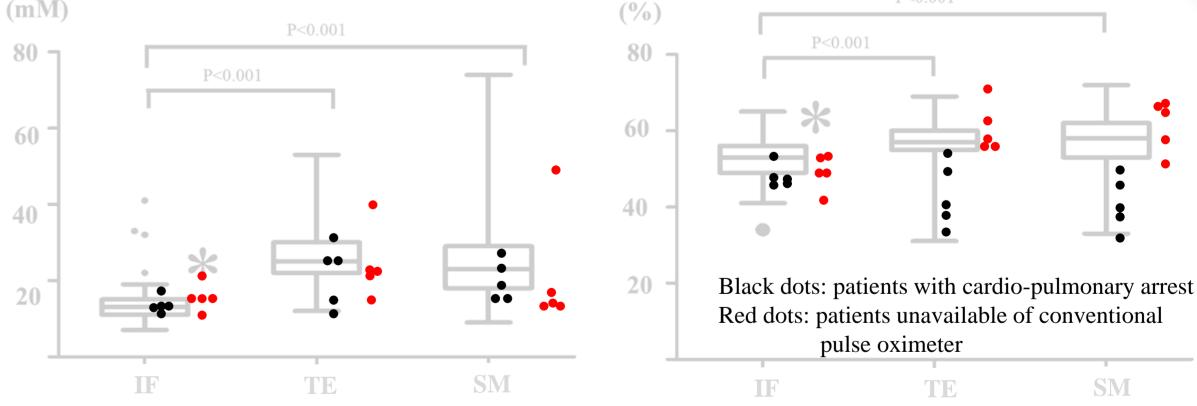
Results 2. T-HbI T-HbI in normal control T-HbI in ER patients (mM)(mM)P<0.001 P<0.001 **60 20** · TE IF TE SMSM 25 (22-29) 13 (11-15) 18 (17-21) 31 (29-34) 24 (18-29) 23 (18-29)

In normal control, the value of T-HbI on thenar eminence is the highest. In ER patients, the value on index finger pulp is the lowest, besides being significantly lower than that in normal control.



The value of rSO2 on index finger pulp in ER patients was significantly lower than that on thenar eminence and sternocleidomastoid muscle, besides being significantly lower than that in normal control (*p<0.001).

Results 4. T-HbI and rSO₂ in patients unavailable of conventional pulse oximeter



The background graphs are same as the result 2 and 3 in ER patients.

T-HII and rO2 were obtained stably even in 5 patients who needed CPR and 5 patients who showed no data by conventional pulse oximeter.

Conclusions

NIRS with the new miniaturized tissue oxygenation sensor is available to measure T-HbI and rSO2 on various places in human body, regardless of whether pulse waves are detected or not. In scenes such as ER or disaster, we could use it for evaluating all patients' condition immediately.