Impact of Glucose Concentration of Perfusate on Perioperative Outcomes in Patients Undergoing Cytoreductive Surgery and Hyperthermic Intraperitoneal Chemotherapy

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Introduction

- Cytoreductive surgery and hyperthermic intraperitoneal chemotherapy (CRS/HIPEC) is commonly used to treat peritoneal surface malignancies.
- The procedure carries a high rate of morbidity and prolonged recovery.
- Previous work evaluating direct peritoneal resuscitation with dextrose-containing peritoneal dialysate in trauma settings has shown favorable impact on bowel edema, intestinal blood flow, and functional recovery.
- In 2015 there was a practice shift from a 1.5% dextrose perfusion solution (low-dextrose) to a 2.5% solution (high-dextrose).

Hypothesis

The higher concentration dextrose perfusate (mirroring a peritoneal dialysate solution) will be associated with faster return of bowel function and fewer complications.

Methods

- This was a single center retrospective chart review identifying patients undergoing CRS/HIPEC from 2008 to 2019.
- Perioperative outcomes, including time to return of bowel function and diet, length of stay (LOS), and perioperative complications were compared.
- Disease burden (assessed by peritoneal carcinomatosis index) and degree of debulking were compared using prospectively recorded standardized assessments.
- Peak intraoperative and daily postoperative glucose levels were recorded.
- Comparisons were made using chi square test,
 Fisher's exact test, Student's t-test, or Wilcoxon rank sum test. Repeated measures ANOVA used to compare differences in post-op glucose levels.

Results

Table 1. Preoperative Variables					
	1.5% (n=73)	2.5% (n=24)	P value		
Age, median (IQR)	58 (48-66)	56.5 (47.5-68)	0.86		
PreOp Albumin, median (IQR)	4.1 (3.8-4.3)	4.2 (3.9-4.4)	0.34		
PreOp Hemoglobin, median (IQR)	12.8 (12.0-13.9)	12.4 (11.4-13.7)	0.25		
Preop Glucose, median (IQR)	92 (83-107)	99 (92.5-115)	0.06		
Hypertension	41 (56.2%)	7 (29.2%)	0.02		
Diabetes	8 (11.0%)	2 (8.3%)	1.0		
Preop Insulin	5 (6.9%)	0	0.33		
Any Preop Comorbidity	43 (58.9%)	9 (37.5%)	0.07		
Previous Surgery	70 (95.9%)	24 (100%)	0.57		
Prior Chemo	43 (58.9%)	15 (62.5%)	0.76		
Diagnosis			0.86		
Appendiceal	26 (35.6%)	10 (41.7%)			
Colorectal	33 (45.2%)	10 (41.7%)			
Other	14 (19.2%)	4 (16.7%)			

Table 2. Operative Factors

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Operative time,	341	303.5	0.23
minutes,	(300-387)	(270-371.5)	
median (IQR)			
PCI, median	9 (5-14)	6 (2.5-14)	0.23
(IQR)			
Number of	5 (3-6)	4 (4-5)	0.89
organs			
resected,			
median (IQR)			
PCI > 15	14 (19.2%)	4 (16.7%)	1.0
Perfusion Base			0.44
Mitomycin	34 (46.6%)	13 (54.2%)	
Oxaliplatin	34 (46.6%)	8 (33.3%)	
Other	5 (6.9%)	3 (12.5%)	
Perfusion Time	64 (87.7%)	23 (95.6%)	0.44
90 minutes			

 Table 3. Postoperative Outcomes

	1.5% (n=73)	2.5% (n=24)	P value
Length of Stay,	12 (9-17)	10 (8-15)	0.29
days, median			
(IQR)			
Return of GI	6 (5-7)	6 (4-9)	0.87
function, days,			
median (IQR)			
Days to Clear	7 (6-10)	7 (6-11.5)	0.96
Liquids, median			
(IQR)			
Days with NG	6 (5-7)	6 (4.5-7)	0.89
tube, median			
(IQR)			
Any Complication	36 (49.3%)	5 (20.8%)	0.0143
Infectious	22 (30.1%)	4 (16.7%)	0.20
Complication			
ICU stay, n	34 (46.6%)	6 (25.0%)	0.06
Readmissions, n	15 (20.6%)	4 (16.7%)	0.68
90 day Mortality	2 (2.7%)	1 (4.2%)	1.0

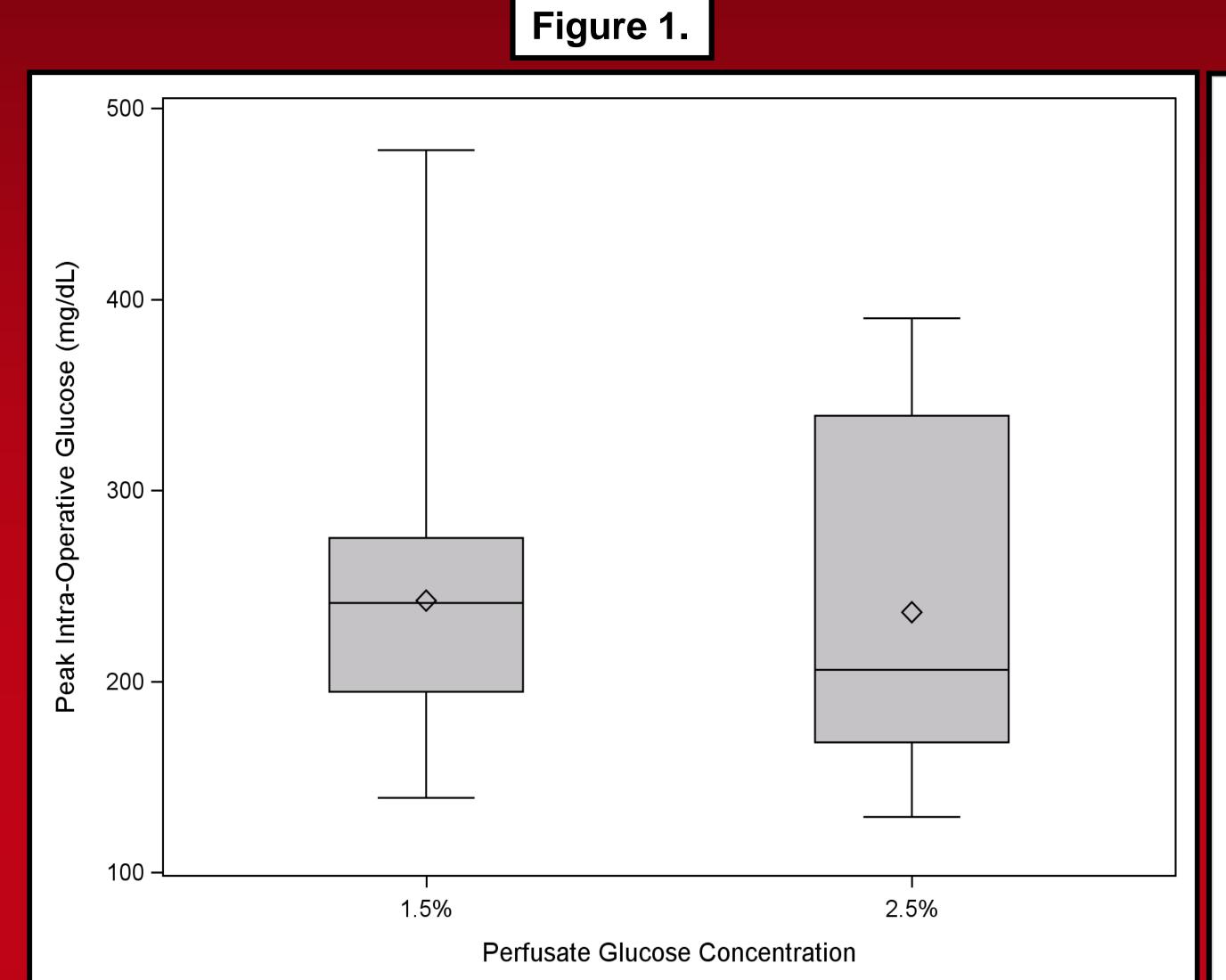


Figure 1. Peak Intra-operative Glucose Concentrations by Perfusate Glucose Concentration (p=0.84)

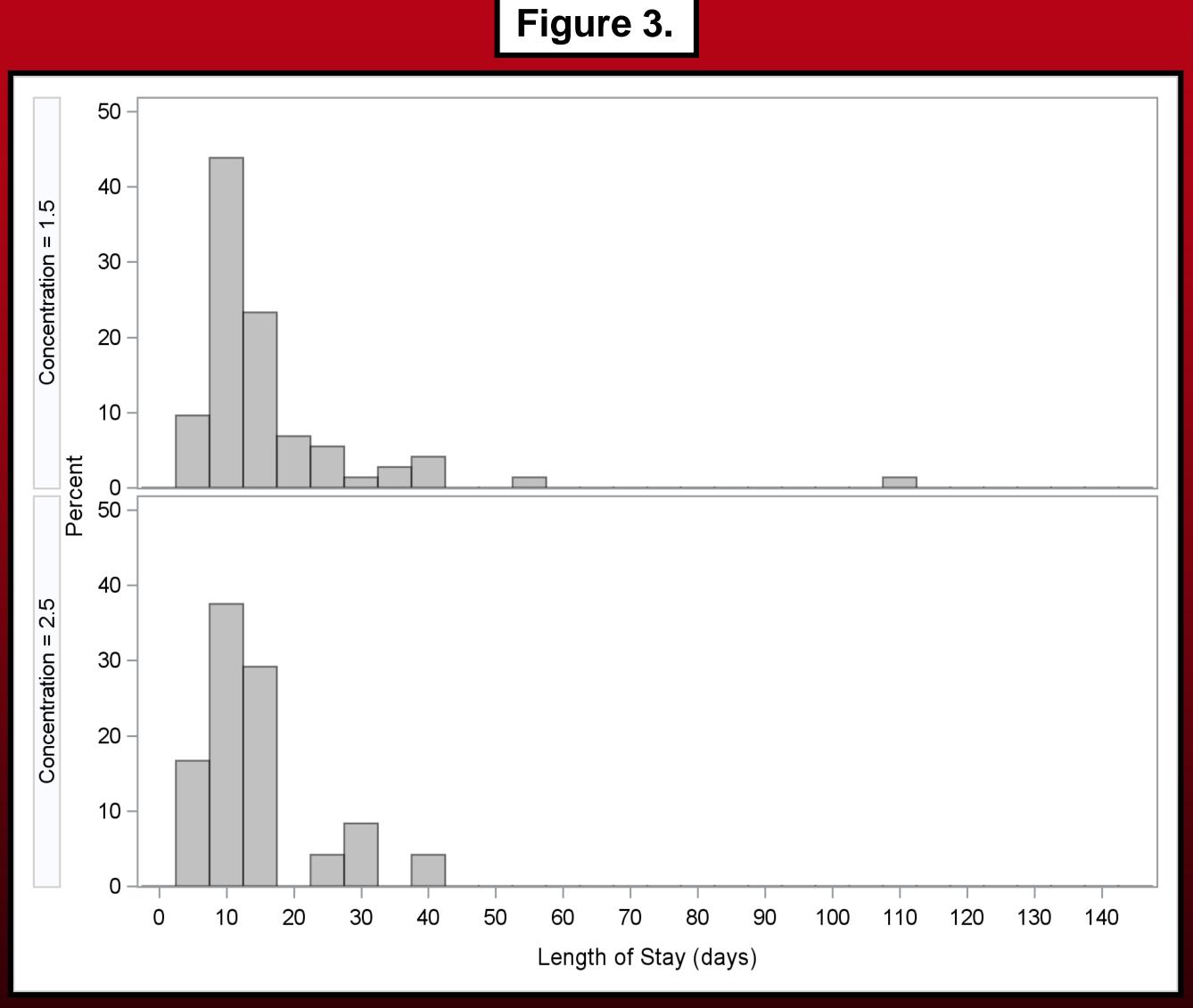


Figure 3. Length of Stay by Perfusate Concentration.

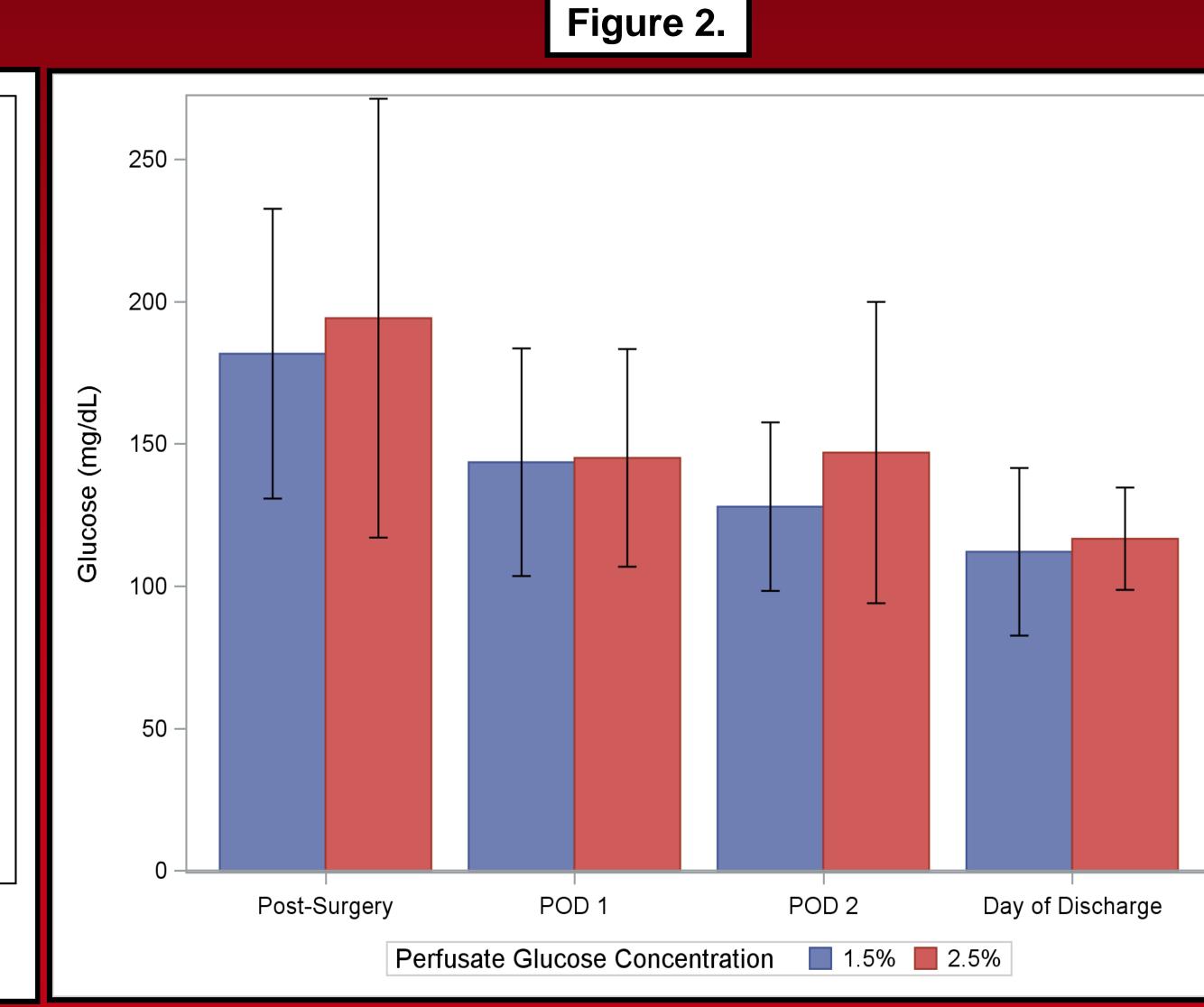


Figure 2. Average Glucose Levels After CRS/HIPEC with Either 1.5% or 2.5% Glucose Perfusate. Error bars represent standard deviation, repeated measures ANOVA (p = 0.18).

Conclusions

- Use of 2.5% dextrose-containing perfusate with HIPEC administration appears safe for CRS/HIPEC operations.
- The higher dextrose solution does not negatively impact intra- or postoperative glucose levels and may be associated with a decreased risk of complications.

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