

## 중환자실에 입원한 환자에서 시행한 동맥혈 가스 검사와 말초 정맥혈 가스 검사의 일치도

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### Agreement between Peripheral Venous and Arterial Blood Gas Measurements in the Intensive Care Unit

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**Purpose:** Venous blood gas (VBG) analysis is a safer procedure than arterial blood gas (ABG) analysis and may be an alternative for determining acid–base status. The objective of this study was to examine the agreement between ABG and peripheral VBG samples for all commonly used parameters in a medical intensive care unit (ICU) population

**Methods:** We performed a single–center, prospective trial to assess the agreement between arterial and peripheral VBG measurements in a medical ICU. When an ABG was deemed to be necessary as part of ICU management, a peripheral venous sample was also obtained within 2 minutes to examine the agreement among the pH, PCO<sub>2</sub>, bicarbonate and total CO<sub>2</sub>. All of the samples were analyzed using the same arterial blood gas analyzer as quickly as possible. A maximum of 5 paired ABG–VBG samples were obtained per patient to prevent a single patient from dominating the data set. Additional data collected on a standardized data collection form included primary diagnosis, intubation status, use of inotropic agents, and hypotension (defined as a systolic BP <90 mmHg).

**Results:** The mean arterial minus venous difference for pH, PCO<sub>2</sub>, and bicarbonate was 0.030, –5.4, and, –1.00, respectively. Regression equations were derived to predict arterial values from venous values as follows: Arterial pH=0.763XpH+1.786, arterial PCO<sub>2</sub>=0.611XVenous PCO<sub>2</sub>+9.521, arterial bicarbonate=0.822XVenous bicarbonate+2.815 and arterial HCO<sub>3</sub>=0.639XVenous total CO<sub>2</sub>+5.360. The mean ABG minus peripheral VBG differences for pH, PCO<sub>2</sub>, and bicarbonate were not clinically important.

**Conclusion:** Peripheral venous pH, PCO<sub>2</sub>, bicarbonate and total CO<sub>2</sub> can replace their arterial equivalents in many clinical contexts encountered in the ICU.

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Intensive care unit, Blood gas analysis, pH