

# Management of Paediatric SupraVentricular Tachycardia

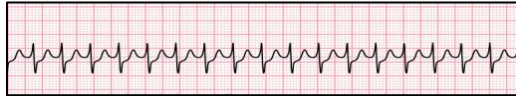
Kids' Intensive Care and Decision Support 0300 200 1100

## A B C D E approach

- Secure Airway – High Flow O<sub>2</sub>
- BP, SpO<sub>2</sub>, 3 lead ECG monitoring
- Baseline 12 lead ECG
- IV access – blood gas – check electrolytes (K<sup>+</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup>, Ca<sup>++</sup>, Mg<sup>++</sup>)
- Discuss with Paediatric Cardiology in BCH (0121 333 9999)

### CONFIRMED SVT?

- HR >200/min
- Absent P-waves
- Regular, narrow QRS complex, no beat-beat variability



### SIGNS OF INSTABILITY?

- Hypotension
- Confusion / Loss of consciousness
- Chest Pain

**STABLE**

**UNSTABLE**

Consider vagal manoeuvres

### ADENOSINE

- 100 microg/kg (max 3mg) IV  
WAIT 2 MINS
- 200 microg/kg (max 6mg) IV  
WAIT 2 MINS
- 300 microg/kg (max 12mg)

**IF FAILED, DISCUSS WITH BCH CARDIOLOGY.**

**Contact local ITU/Anaesthetics URGENTLY**  
**Call KIDS consultant 0300 200 1100**

**If hypotensive:**

- IV fluid challenge (max 30 mls/kg),
- cautious use of inotropes

**If impending cardiorespiratory collapse:**

- Sedate (ketamine), muscle relax and intubate

### **Synchronised DC cardioversion**

- 1<sup>st</sup> attempt: 1 J/kg
- If failed – 2 J/kg
- Final attempt 2 J/kg

**REDISCUSS WITH CARDIOLOGY AND KIDS TEAM**  
**PREPARE TO DELIVER CPR**

### **POTENTIAL FURTHER OPTIONS UPON AGREEMENT WITH KIDS / BCH CARDIOLOGY:**

- Adenosine 400-500mcg/kg
- Amiodarone loading (requires central line, likely intubation and ventilation. **Risk of hypotension!**)
- 1-2 J/kg synchronised DC cardioversion (requires sedation)