

PREHOSPITAL EBGs

External Validation of Maryland TOR Rules for Pediatric Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest

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Termination of Resuscitation

- TOR in adult patients
 - Numerous ALS, BLS and mixed protocols
 - Reduce futile transports, improved provider safety, and potentially *improved outcomes?*
- Growing body of evidence in the literature and significant clinical buy-in by EMS agencies, medical directors and collaborators

Pediatric TOR (pTOR)

- Limited evidence has been amassed
- No current uniformly accepted guideline for medical TOR in pediatric patients*
- AAP, ACS and NAEMSP have generated a trauma pTOR position statement.
- Historical barrier (provider comfort, 'kids deserve more, *lack of guidelines*, etc).

The Maryland Criteria

Medical:

- A pediatric patient (has not yet reached the 18th birthday) after the patient has received 15 two-minute cycles of CPR, and at least 3 doses of epinephrine the patient is:
 - (i) in asystole, AND
 - (ii) has a sustained ETCO₂ of less than 15 mmHg.
 - (iii) In the judgement of EMS and law enforcement on scene, there is adequate social/emotional support and safety for civilians and professionals on scene

The Maryland Criteria

Trauma

- Pediatric patient (has not yet reached the 15th birthday) EMS clinicians may terminate resuscitation if:
 - (a) after five two minute cycles of CPR without ROSC
 - (b) If asystole on monitor;
 - (c) and ETCO₂ < 15 mm Hg.

Methods:

Study Design

This is a large descriptive and comparative analysis of a large administrative data set with discrete, de-identified data. ESO is a leading emergency medical services (EMS), fire, and hospital software and data company in the United States. ESO Currently serves more than 8,000 customers across the country.

Methods

- Descriptive analysis
- Univariate and Multivariable regression
- Natural Language Processing
- **Quantify the Predictive Value of the Maryland Medical and Trauma pTOR Guidelines**

ESO Patient Encounters 2019

8,340,148

Cardiac Arrest

92,438

911 Response

70,709

Age 0 - 17 years

1,825

ROSC known

1726

Missing Vitals

- 50

Missing Medical v Trauma

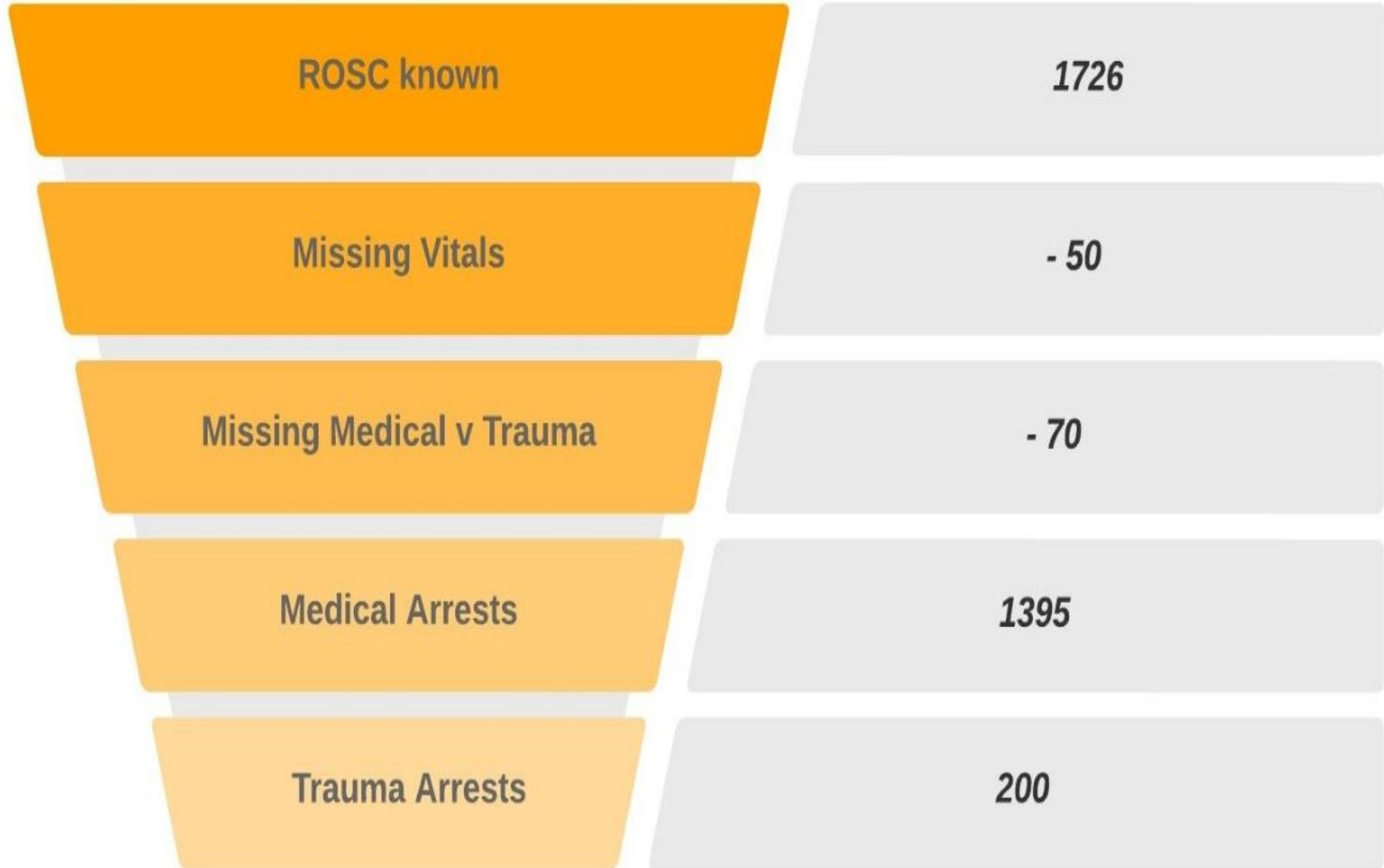
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Medical Arrests

1395

Trauma Arrests

200



ESO Demographic Results

- 60% Male
- Median Age 1 year (IQR 0-9)
- 55% White, 31% Black/AAA, 8% Hispanic/latino
- 80% Urban/Suburban, 17% Rural, 3% Super Rural

Arrest Characteristics

- 60% unwitnessed (7% witnessed by EMS)
- 93% unshockable initial rhythm
- CPR started by bystander 33%

Univariate Analysis - ROSC

Variable	Unadjusted OR	95% CI
Trauma	1.2	0.9-1.7
Non-White Ethnicity	0.7	0.5-0.9
Male	1.2	0.9-1.5
Shockable rhythm	3.2	1.3-7.5
Unwitnessed Arrest	0.3	0.2-0.4
Arrest after EMS arrival	2.1	1.5-3.0

Univariate Analysis- ROSC

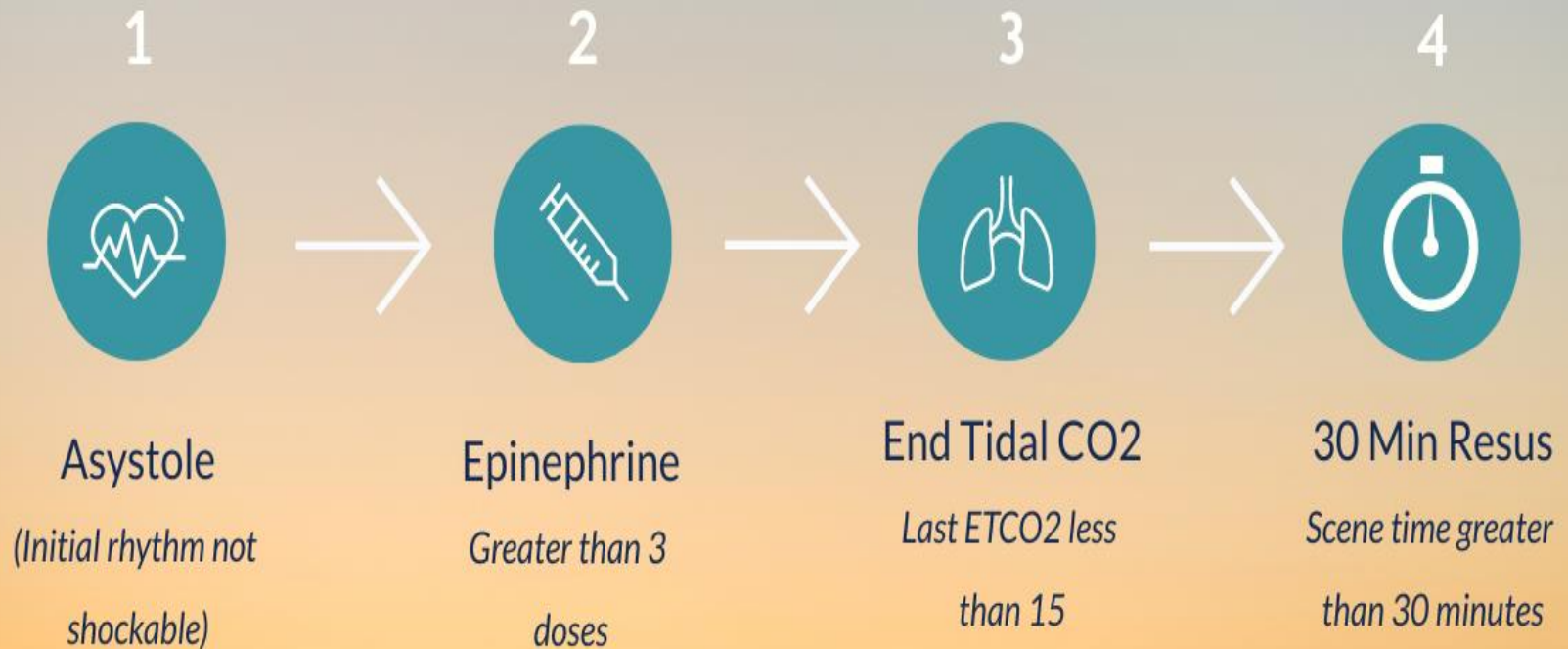
A decrease in ROSC was associated with:

- Decreasing age
- Prolonged Scene time
- Prolonged Transport time

Applying the Criteria

Medical TOR

N=1395



	No ROSC	ROSC	
TOR Applies	44	1	45
TOR Does not apply	1028	322	1350
	1072	323	1395

Sensitivity: 4.1%

Specificity: 99.6%

PPV: 97.8%

NPV: 76.1%

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Misclassified

4 y/o pool submersion

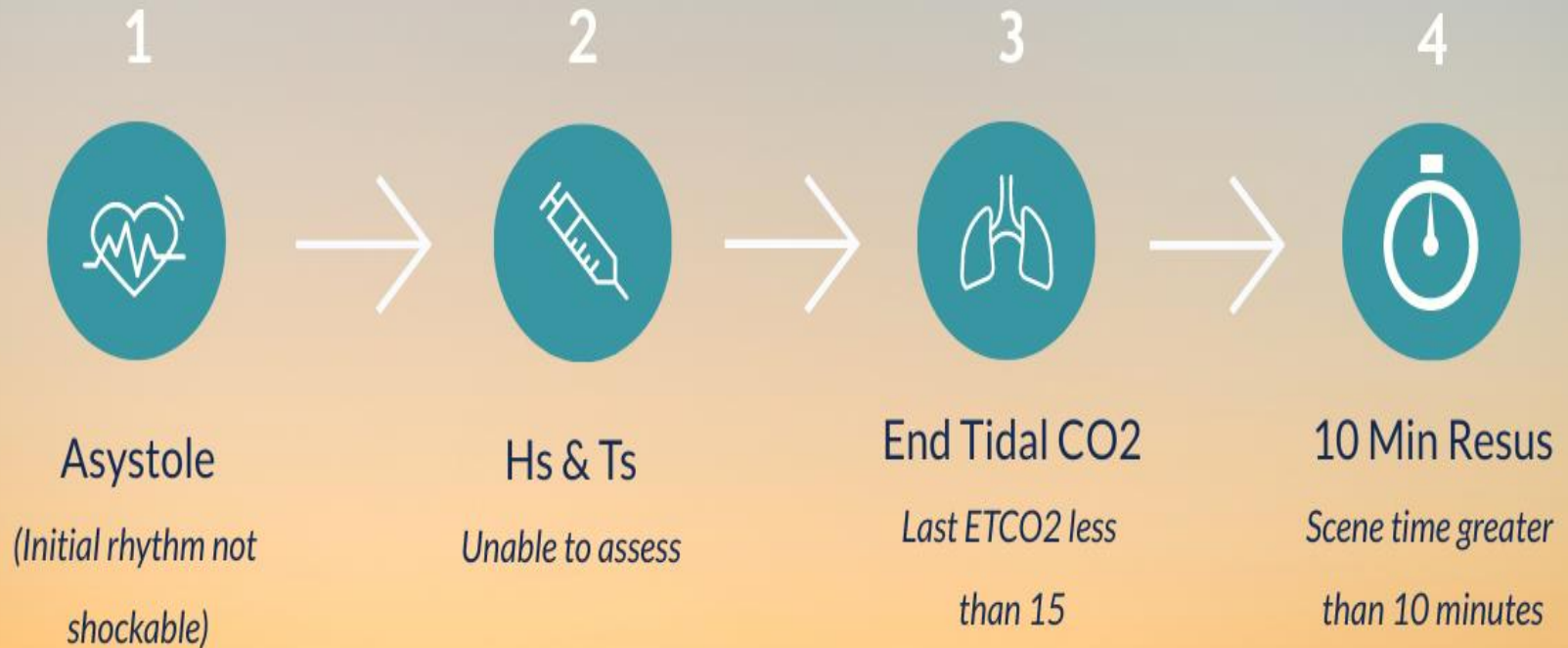
Missed Case

4 y/o M s/p unwitnessed *drowning*

- Submersion for 10-15 minutes prior to CPR
- ETT, 8 rounds of epi, 4 rounds of bicarb
- ROSC in field, unclear hospital outcome

Trauma TOR

N=200



	No ROSC	ROSC	
TOR Applies	42	4	46
TOR Does not apply	104	50	154
	146	54	200

Sensitivity: 28.7%

Specificity: 92.6%

PPV: 91.3%

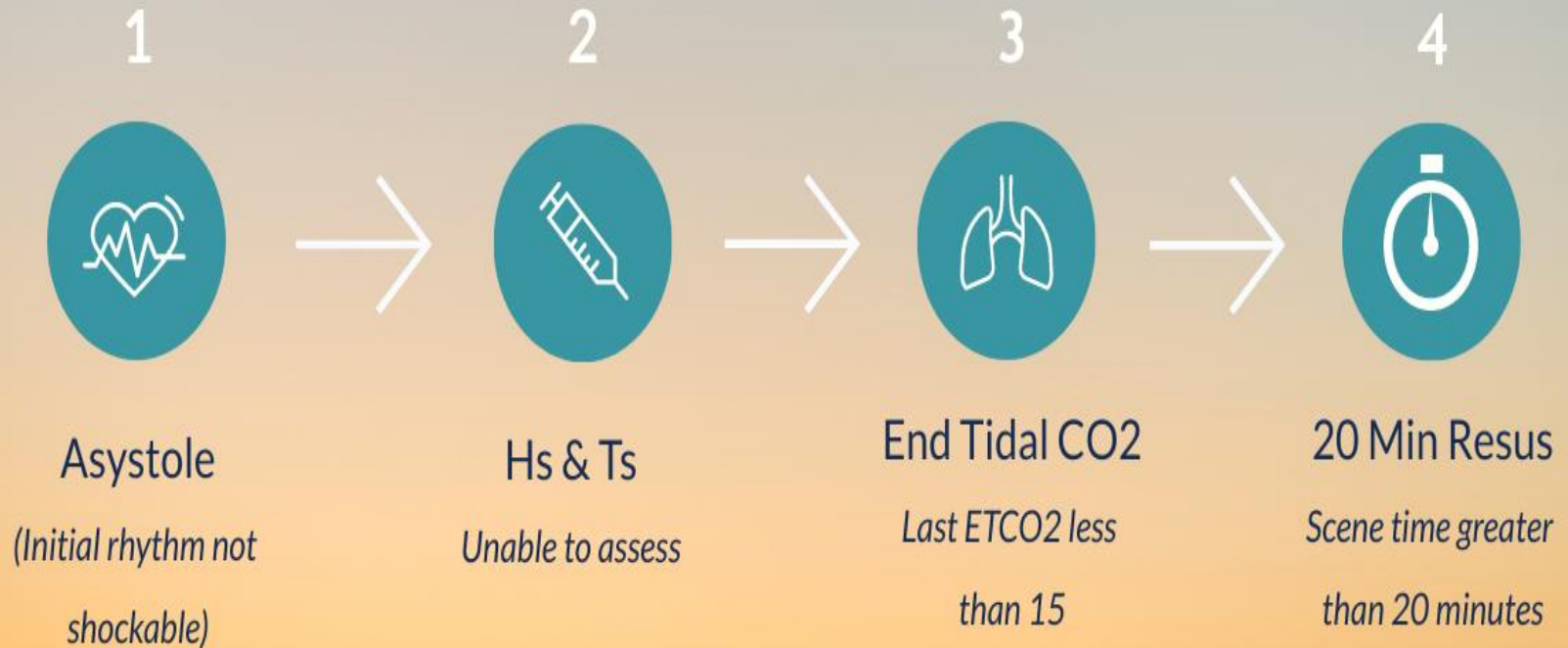
NPV: 32.5%

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Trauma TOR

N=200



	No ROSC	ROSC	
TOR Applies	22	1	23
TOR Does not apply	124	53	177
	146	54	200

Sensitivity: 15%

Specificity: 98.1%

PPV: 95.7%

NPV: 29.9%

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Misclassified

MVA, Preschool age

Limitations

- Hospital outcomes were limited
- Dependent on accurate data reporting and documentation
- Provider perceptions of outcomes.

Discussion

- What are ideal PPV and NPV values for TOR studies?
 - PPV of > 99% indicates that less than 1% of patients who meet TOR criteria will survive
 - A high NPV reflects the likelihood of surviving if one **does not** meet TOR criteria
 - Most studies of adult TOR criteria find PPV > 99% and NPV with a wider range of 1.3-46.3

Conclusions

Medical

- We found 97.8% PPV (Specificity 99.6%) and NPV of 76.1% (Sensitivity 4.1%)
- What is an acceptable PPV?
- Our NPV was notably *higher* than comparable adult studies.

Conclusions

Trauma

- Using a 10 minute resuscitation interval:
 - **PPV 91.3%** and specificity 92.6%
 - NPV 38.5% and sensitivity 28.7%

- Using a 20 minute resuscitation interval:
 - **PPV 95.7%** and specificity 98.1%
 - NPV 29.9% and sensitivity 15%

Future Direction

- Considering other clinical factors that might continue to improve PPV for both medical and trauma pTOR guidelines
- Community Engagement Efforts
- Prospective Evaluation