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Pre-Eclampsia



When was it asked?

March 2018 question 10 – Pass rate 59.8%

September 2015 question 3

September 2011 Question 7

What was asked

Definition of pre-eclampsia

Symptoms of pre-eclampsia (& severe symptoms)

How to manage following admission to delivery suite

How to alter general anaesthetic technique if requiring a LSCS under GA

Indication for magnesium therapy and how to administer it

Symptoms, signs and management of magnesium toxicity

Highlights from Chairman's Reports

Poor understanding of difference between pre-eclampsia and eclampsia

Failure to understand importance of controlling systolic BP to prevent intracerebral bleed

Suggested Resources:

- The diagnosis and management of pre-eclampsia. *BJA CEPD Reviews*. 2003;3(2):38-42. Available at:
<https://academic.oup.com/bjaed/article/3/2/38/504969>
- Hypertension in pregnancy. *BJA Education*. 2016;16(1):33-37
<https://academic.oup.com/bjaed/article/16/1/33/2463142>
- Up to Date: Anaesthesia for the Patient with Pre-eclampsia
<https://www.uptodate.com/contents/anaesthesia-for-the-patient-with-preeclampsia>
- Devroe S, Van de Velde M, Rex S. General anesthesia for caesarean section. *Current Opinion in Anaesthesiology*. 2015;28(3):240-246.
- McGlennan A, Mustafa A. General anaesthesia for Caesarean section. *Continuing Education in Anaesthesia Critical Care & Pain*. 2009;9(5):148-151.