

Efficacy of Furosemide, Oral Sodium Chloride, and Fluid Restriction for Treatment of Syndrome of Inappropriate Antidiuresis (SIAD): An Open-label Randomized Controlled Study (The EFFUSE-FLUID Trial)

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Study Design: Open-label randomized controlled study.

Setting & Participants: Patients with serum sodium concentrations ($[Na^+]$) ≤ 130 mmol/L due to SIAD.

Intervention(s): Random assignment to 1 of 3 groups: fluid restriction alone (FR), fluid restriction and furosemide (FR+FM), or fluid restriction, furosemide, and NaCl (FR+FM+NaCl). Strictness of fluid restriction ($<1,000$ or <500 mL/d) was guided by the urine to serum electrolyte ratio. Furosemide dosage was 20 to 40 mg/d. NaCl supplements were 3 g/d. All treatments were continued for 28 days.

Outcomes: The primary outcome was change in $[Na^+]$ at days 4, 7, 14, and 28 after randomization.

Results: 92 patients were recruited (FR, $n = 31$; FR+FM, $n = 30$; FR+FM+NaCl, $n = 31$). Baseline $[Na^+]$ was 125 ± 4 mmol/L, and there were no significant differences between groups. Mean $[Na^+]$ on day 4 in all treatment groups was significantly increased from baseline by 5 mmol/L ($P < 0.001$); however, the change in $[Na^+]$ was not significantly different across groups ($P = 0.7$). There was no significant difference in percentage of patients or time to reach $[Na^+] \geq 130$ or ≥ 135 mmol/L across the 3 groups. Acute kidney injury and hypokalemia (potassium ≤ 3.0 mmol/L) were more common in patients receiving furosemide.

Limitations: Open-label treatment.

Conclusions: In patients with SIAD, furosemide with NaCl supplement in combination with fluid restriction did not show benefits in correction of $[Na^+]$ compared with treatment with fluid restriction alone. Incidences of acute kidney injury and hypokalemia were increased in patients receiving furosemide.

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- First Randomized Control Trial for treatment of SIADH
- Three arms
 - Fluid restriction
 - Na tablets
 - Na+Lasix
- 92 patients, single center, poor adherence to fluid restriction

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