

# The LICOX<sup>®</sup> System

## Brain Tissue Oxygen Monitoring System

Product Presentation



# What is the LICOX<sup>®</sup> system?

- Measures interstitial brain tissue oxygenation ( $P_{bt}O_2$ ) in mmHg and brain temperature ( $^{\circ}C$ )
- Probe inserted approximately 35mm below the dura into the white matter of the brain
- $P_{bt}O_2$  used in conjunction with current ICP/ CPP monitoring methods



# Who needs the LICOX<sup>®</sup> system?

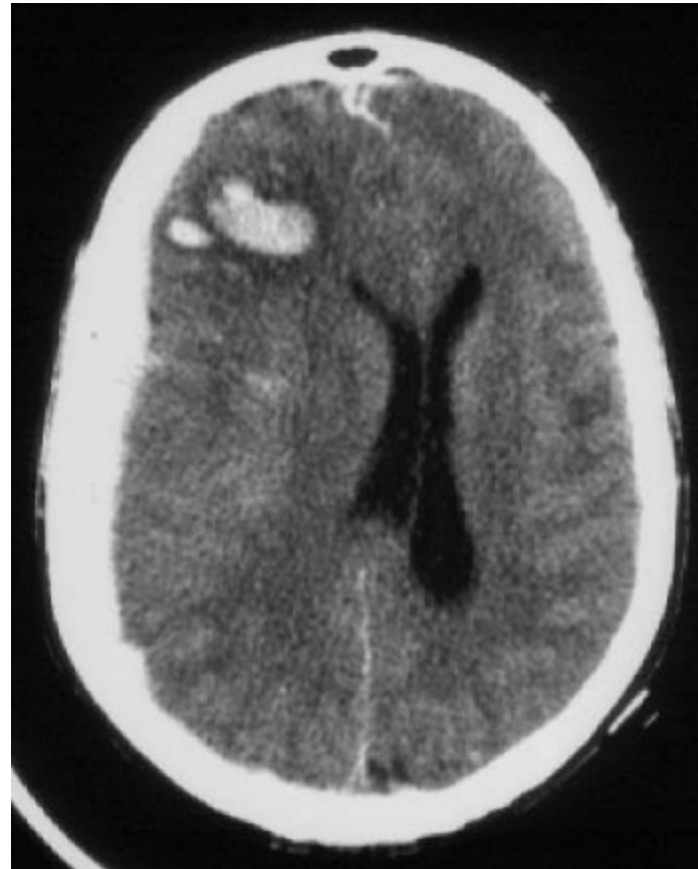
- Patients at risk for developing cerebral hypoxia or ischemia
- Head trauma patients
- Aneurysm patients
- Subarachnoid hemorrhage patients
- Stroke patients



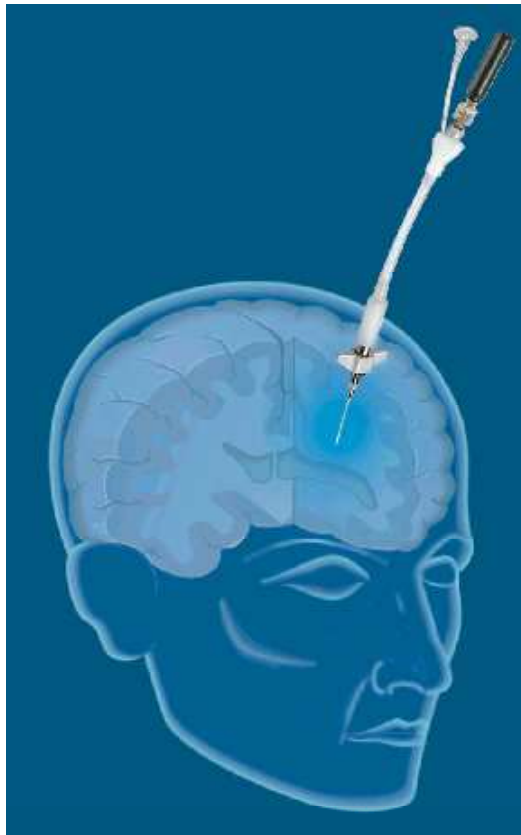
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# When is the LICOX<sup>®</sup> system placed?

- Within the first 24-48 hours of injury
  - The sooner cerebral hypoxia is detected, the better secondary injury can be prevented
- Generally, when an ICP catheter is required, a LICOX<sup>®</sup> probe should be considered



# How is the LICOX<sup>®</sup> system placed?



- Can be either *bolted* or *tunneled*
- Can be placed independently or with an ICP catheter
- Requires minimal additional effort
- Does not need to be zeroed prior to placement, SMART card is included with each O<sub>2</sub> probe with all calibration data
- Monitor need not be present when placing in the OR

# Where is the LICOX<sup>®</sup> system placed?

- Placement is up to clinical discretion
- The idea is to prevent **SECONDARY** injury by ensuring living tissue is receiving adequate oxygen
- LICOX<sup>®</sup> probe can be placed in either the injured side or non-injured side of brain
- Should not be placed directly into a lesion

# What are the probe options?

- **BOLTED**
  - Double Lumen – Camino® ICP channel and LICOX® PMO catheter channel (IP2P)
- **TUNNELED**
  - Licox® PMO combined oxygen and temperature catheter (IT2)
- Probe kits come with required drill bits and other accessories



# How accurate are the probes?

## Oxygen Accuracy:

- $P_{bt}O_2$  0-20 mmHg accuracy is  $\pm 2$  mmHg
- $P_{bt}O_2$  21-50 mmHg accuracy is  $\pm 10\%$
- $P_{bt}O_2$  51-150 mmHg accuracy is  $\pm 13\%$

Temperature Accuracy:  $\pm 0.2$  °C



# What about the nursing staff?

- Simple monitor set-up and use
- The monitor displays a digital oxygen and temperature reading
- Alarms are managed through a connection to the bedside monitor



# What is a “normal” reading?

- Normal: 25-35 mmHg
- Risk of death increases
  - < 15 mmHg for 30 minutes
  - < 10 mmHg for 10 minutes
- $P_{bt}O_2 < 5$  mmHg
  - high mortality
- $P_{bt}O_2 \leq 2$ mmHg - neuronal death<sup>1</sup>

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# How is patient outcome affected?

- Its been found:
  - Head injured patients who undergo aggressive therapy to maintain ICP/ CPP at normal levels still experience periods of severe brain hypoxia<sup>1</sup>
  - Interventions previously thought to improve tissue oxygenation may improve ICP and CPP but actually decrease  $P_{bt}O_2$ <sup>2</sup>

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# How is patient outcome affected?

- The  $P_{bt}O_2$  number can provide:
  - Notification of hypoxic episodes
  - Independent predictors of unfavorable outcome and death<sup>1</sup>
    - Treatments to maintain  $P_{bt}O_2$  correspond to more favorable patient outcomes<sup>2</sup>

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# Is the LICOX<sup>®</sup> system cost-efficient?

- Added costs the Licox<sup>®</sup> system are justified by significantly improved outcomes
- Implementation of new protocols using  $P_{bt}O_2$ 
  - Improve patient care<sup>1</sup>
  - Better utilize resources<sup>1</sup>
  - Probable reduction of
    - Ventilator days<sup>1,2</sup>
    - ICU days<sup>1,2</sup>
    - Overall hospital days<sup>1,2</sup>

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# How is the LICOX<sup>®</sup> system different than a Jugular Venous Bulb?

- Jugular bulb oximetry, S<sub>jv</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, measures oxygen saturation of venous blood
  - Measures global oxygen reduction
  - Cannot identify regional cerebral ischemia
  - may lead to secondary injury<sup>1,2</sup>

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2. Mayberg T, Lam A. Jugular bulb oximetry for the monitoring of cerebral blood flow and metabolism. *Neurosurgery Clinics of North America*. 1996;7(4):755-765.

# How is LICOX<sup>®</sup> different than a Jugular Venous Bulb?

- S<sub>jv</sub>O<sub>2</sub> measurements are shown to be unreliable
  - Good quality data are only obtained about 50% of the placement time<sup>1,2,3</sup>
  - S<sub>jv</sub>O<sub>2</sub> is difficult to use in children due to small vein size<sup>4</sup>

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# A few institutions that have published clinical studies with the LICOX<sup>®</sup> systems:

- Mission Hospital
  - Mission Viejo, CA
- Harborview
  - Seattle, WA
- Creighton University
  - Omaha, NE
- University of Pennsylvania Hospital
  - Philadelphia, PA



Thank you for your time!

Please contact us anytime should you have any further questions.



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