

Factors Influencing Defibrillator Design Today

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- Biphasic Defibrillation
- CPR
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Defibrillation Waveforms

- Waveforms describe the electrical pulse:
 - Amount of **CURRENT** delivered
 - **TIME** over which it is delivered
 - Direction of current flow
- Three waveforms in use today:
 - Monophasic Damped Sine (MDS)
 - Biphasic Truncated Exponential (BTE)
 - Rectilinear Biphasic (RBW)



Biphasic Defibrillation - AHA 2005

- Energy is a nonphysiologic descriptor of defibrillation despite its entrenchment in traditional jargon
- 1st shock efficacy of MDS is lower than biphasic
- Energy settings for defibs are designed to be the lowest effective energy needed to terminate VF
- Energy levels vary by type of device



Biphasic Defibrillation – AHA 2005

- With a biphasic defibrillator, it is reasonable to use selected energies... In this context 'selected' refers to the energy dose selected by the operator. With a biphasic waveform device, selected and delivered energies usually differ; delivered energy is typically higher in the usual range of impedance. For example, in a patient with 80Ω impedance, a selected energy of 120J will deliver 150J."



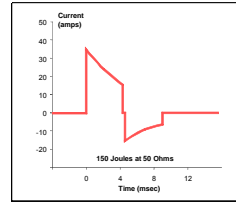
Biphasic Waveforms

- Developed in Russia during the 1930s
- Used in implantable devices in the 1980s
- First cleared by FDA in 1997 for use in First Responder-style AEDs
- Approved for use in professional defibrillators in 1999/2000



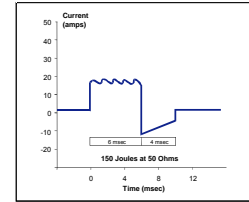
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Different Shape



Biphasic Truncated Exponential

- 1st Generation Technology
- Adapted from low-impedance ICD applications

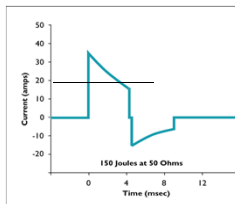


Rectilinear Biphasic Waveform

- 2nd Generation Technology
- Designed specifically for external use
- Fixed-interval, constant current design

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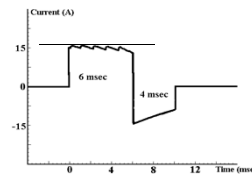


The First Generation:

- Adapted from low impedance ICD application.
- Impedance causes waveform to change shape.

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Rectilinear Biphasic Waveform

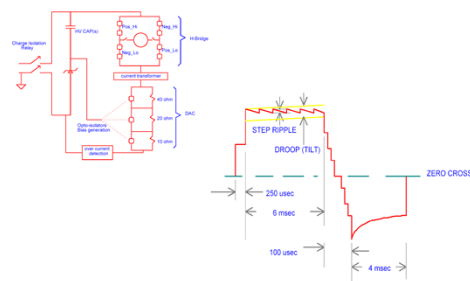


Designed Specifically for External Use:

- Constant Current eliminates high peaks
- Fixed Duration stabilizes waveform in face of varying impedance levels.

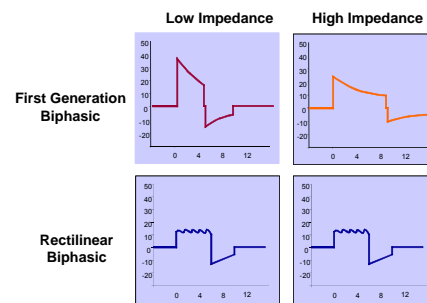
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Impedance Compensation



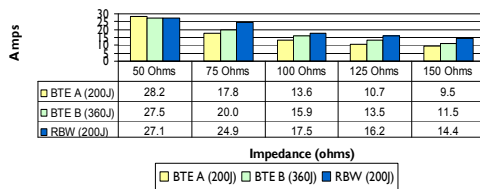
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Different Response to Impedance



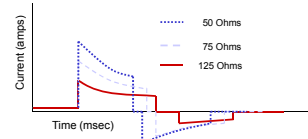
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Average Current @ Maximum Energy



Impedance Compensation - BTE

Biphasic Waveform changes voltage and time in response to increased patient impedance. For a given 200J shock:



1450 volts = 27.5 amps
50 ohms

1690 volts = 9.5 amps
150 ohms



Source: Medtronic Physio Control Defibrillation with ADAPTIV™ Biphasic Technology 10

Biphasic Defibrillation (AHA Quotes)

"...Given the high efficacy of all biphasic waveforms, other determinants of survival (eg. Interval from collapse to CPR or defibrillation) are likely to supersede the impact of specific biphasic waveforms or energies..."

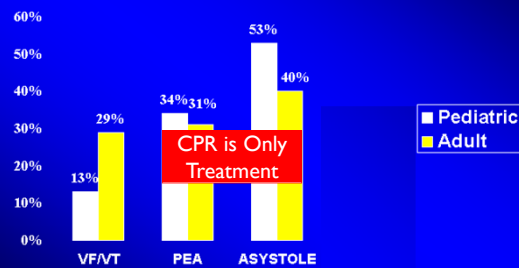


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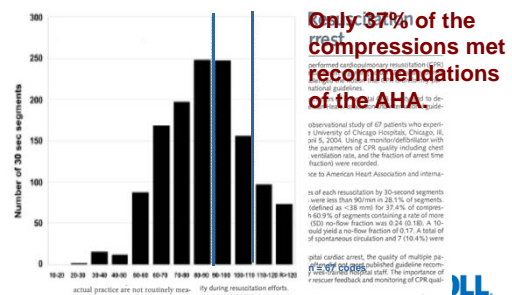
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Initial Rhythms



CPR Lacks Consistency in the Hospital



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- **CPR Feedback** – helps caregiver deliver better compressions.



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	Prompting	Feedback
"If no pulse, do CPR"	✓	
"Stop CPR"	✓	
"Push Harder"/"Push Deeper"		✓
"Good Compressions"		✓
"Push Faster"/Pacing Metronome		✓
Draw attention to interruptions		✓
Filter CPR artifact		✓
Visual Quality Indicator		✓

CPR Feedback Acceptance Study

Key Findings

1. Code committees are aware of the need to improve the delivery of CPR.
2. First responders (BLS-trained) individuals welcome CPR assistance.
3. ACLS-trained responders questioned the need for CPR assistance.



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This Got Our Attention . . .



... vendors suggest retiring the battery 18-20 months ... But our data shows them lasting 3+ years. For a large hospital ... that's significant.



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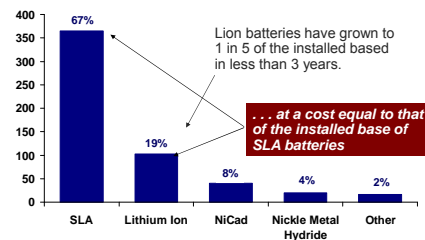
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Current Battery Practices

Battery Chemistries in Use

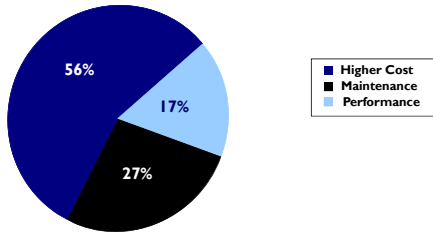


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Conversion to Lithium Ion

What is your biggest concern related to a switch to lithium ion batteries?

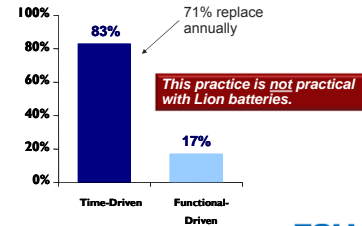


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Battery Replacement Practices

How do you decide when to replace your defibrillator batteries?

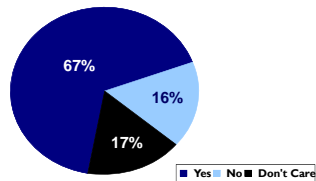


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Battery Replacement Practices

Do you feel you discard batteries that probably still have sufficient capacity?



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Battery Maintenance Practices

Functional Testing

- Batteries tested during PM Inspections.
- Typical testing is superficial:
 - Charge & discharge defibrillator on battery power
 - Measure charge time to maximum energy (<15 seconds)
 - Verify energy delivery ($\pm 10\%$)

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State of Battery Management

It is easier to replace all batteries on a schedule than try to identify the “weak” ones because the right tools don’t exist **to make it practical.**

As a result batteries . . .

- Are prematurely discarded.
- Represent the highest annual out-of-pocket cost of ownership.



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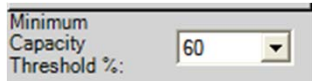
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- Conservative Pass-Fail thresholds that drive replacement cycle



Optimize Replacement to Demand

Solution



From ZOLL SurePower Battery Manager Software

Provide the ability for the hospital to select an appropriate replacement threshold.



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The Lion Paradox

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Using the same Pass/Fail Threshold means we would discard batteries that have 40% more capacity than brand new SLA packs.



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1. Conservative Pass-Fail thresholds that drive replacement cycle
2. Inadequate charging & testing tools



State of Charge is Not the Answer

Today's Charger's are Limited

Batt. Ready



A simple charge indicator does not discriminate between a new battery and one that is approaching end of life.



Focus on State of Health

Solution

State of Health
Maximum Capacity: 5.19 Ah
Capacity Loss: 10.4 %
Average Draw: 1.50 A
Est. Max. Runtime: 03:27:45

From ZOLL SurePower Battery Manager Software

Lets one change from a time-driven to a function-driven approach.



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Let's Ask Ourselves . . .

What is the most frequent use of a defibrillator in hospitals today?

The daily/shift check



Let's Ask . . .

What is the second most frequent use?

Scheduled Preventative Maintenance



These are activities designed to insure the readiness of a defibrillator to respond to a code . . .

. . . that come at a cost.



Is it Worth the Cost?

1. Defibrillators rarely fail.
2. Typically find them when you are trying to save a life.
3. The circumstances of a defibrillator's use are stressful.



Cost of Defibrillator Readiness - 2007

Activity	Annual Cost
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Automated Testing

ECRI Described Shortcomings - June 2005



- ... involves **more** than discharge testing.
- ... **is not** a suitable substitute ... because it **does not test** the **paddles** or the reusable pads **cable**.



FDA Confirms the Need

February 2007



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(Article reprinted from Medical Product Safety (MedSun) News, Volume 7, Issue 2 (February 2007), p. 24.)



Two Types of Automated Testing

- Defibrillator Discharge Testing** – Evaluates the capacity to charge and deliver energy.
- Code Readiness Testing** – Evaluates the preparedness for the code, includes:
 - Defibrillator
 - Cables
 - Therapy Delivering Electronics
 - Accessories.



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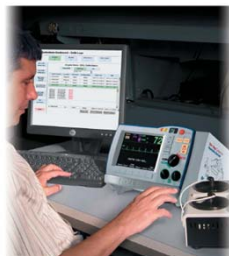
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Report within your facility any failures ...		✓



Defibrillator Workstation

- **Practical Tools** – Eliminate guesswork and helps quickly distinguish between user issues or technical matters requiring more detailed investigation.
- **Rapid Troubleshooting** – Trouble shoot defibrillators from any PC on the hospital's network.
- **Remote Technical Support** – Interface directly with support personnel for rapid answers to questions.



Summary

Factors Influencing Today's Design

- Biphase Energy
 - It's about the current and duration!
- CPR Feedback Mechanisms that:
 - Work to improve compressions
 - Reduce interruptions
 - Do Not Add Steps for the Caregivers
- Battery Management Tools that Drive Replacement based on Functional Capabilities:
 - State of Health
 - Estimate Runtime
- Code Readiness Testing
 - Allow user to see a problem before the code
- Asset Management Systems that:
 - Report compromises to Code Readiness
 - Simplifies & Streamlines response to problems



Questions?

