

Appendix

Standard Treatment Protocol for the Mangement of PSVT					
Could this patient have PSVT? (please tick)			Adverse signs?		
1. Narrow complex	Yes	No	Hypotension	Yes	No
2. Regular	Yes	No	Chest pain	Yes	No
3. Absent P-waves	Yes	No	Cardiac failure	Yes	No
4. Rate: 150-250	Yes	No	Impaired consciousness	Yes	No
			Rate > 200/min.	Yes	No
IF THE ANSWER TO 1-4 IS "Yes" CONTINUE					
Carotid sinus massage (once on each side)					
Contraindications:			Age > 65yrs.	Yes	No
			Carotid bruit	Yes	No
			PHx of CVA/TIA	Yes	No
Response:	None	Partial	Complete		
Valsalva Manoeuvr e (attempt up to 3 times)					
Response:	None	Partial	Complete		
Adenosine					
Contraindications:			Asthma	Yes	No
Caution:			Known WPW	Yes	No
Response	None	Partial	Complete		
Adenosine 6 mg					
Adenosine 12mg					
Adenosine 12mg					
IF NOT RESPONSE AND NOT HYPOTENSIVE use VERAPAMIL					
IF NOT RESPONSE AND HYPOTENSIVE use DC CARDIOVERSION					
Verapamil					
Contraindications:			Hypotension	Yes	No
			On B-blocker	Yes	No
			Pregnant/Breast feeding	Yes	No
			WPW	Yes	No
Response	None	Partial	Complete		
Vrapamil 5-10mg					
Verapamil 5mg (after 5mins.)					
Synchronised DC Cardioversion					
Response:	None	Complete			
100J					
200J					
300J					
Abbreviations:					
WPW = Wolf Parkinson White Syndrome					
PSVT = Paroxysmal Supraventricular Tachycardia					
PHx = Past Medical History					
CVA = Cerebrovascular Accident					