

A Retrospective Audit of Per Rectal Bleeding Admissions at Dunedin Hospital from 2013-2020

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Background

- Acute lower GI bleeding (LGIB) represents 3% of acute admissions
- Majority are self-limiting
 - Can we predict which patients these are?



Oakland Score

Derivation and validation of a novel risk score for safe discharge after acute lower gastrointestinal bleeding: a modelling study

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Oakland Score

	Score component value		
Age (years)			
<40	0		
40–69	1		
>70	2		
Sex			
Female	0		
Male	1		
Previous lower gastrointestinal bleeding admission			
No	0		
Yes	1		
DRE findings			
Noblood	0		
Blood	1		

Total = OAKLAND SCORE (0-35)

Low Risk = 10 or less

Heart rate (bpm)		
<70	0	
70–89	1	
90–109	2	
>110	3	
Systolic blood pressure (mm Hg)		
50–89	5	
90–119	4	
120–129	3	
130–159	2	
>160	0	
Haemoglobin (g/dL)		
36-69	22	
70–89	17	
90–109	13	
110–129	8	
130–159	4	
>160	0	

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Aims

- 1. Determine the epidemiology and aetiology of acute LGIB admissions
- 2. Estimate how many admissions could have been avoided using the Oakland score

Methods

Design	Inclusion Criteria	Exclusion Criteria
Retrospective cohort (Prospective database)	PR bleeding	Elective admission
Adults Dunedin Hosp 2013 – 2020	Adults	Alternate primary diagnosis
	Dunedin Hospital	IBD-related admission
	2013 – 2020	Bleeding per stoma
DIVA		Clinical diagnosis or confirmed UGI bleed

Results



Demographics



Cause of Bleeding

Not Specified on Discharge Summary	256 (52%)	
Diverticulosis	132 (27%)	
Post-Procedural/Operative	42 (9%)	
Haemorrhoid/Benign Anorectal	40 (8%)	
Malignancy	11 (2%)	
Other Benign Source	6 (1%)	
Colitis	6 (1%)	

Management



Outcomes



Oakland Classification – Dunedin



Definition of Safe Discharge

Absence of:

Blood transfusion

Rebleeding

Haemostatic Intervention

Readmission within 28 days

Inpatient death











Correlation between Oakland Score & Safe Discharge – Dunedin



Potential Benefit of Implementing Oakland Score in Dunedin



Conclusions

- Majority of patients admitted with acute LGIB are managed conservatively
- Most common treatment is blood transfusion
- The Oakland score appears to perform well in our cohort
- Use of the Oakland score with a threshold of 10 or less could be used to safely reduce hospital admissions

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