



## APACHE II Calculation Worksheet Instructions

The APACHE II score is derived from 3 scoring systems: [Part A – Acute Physiology Score](#), [Part B – Age Points](#), [Part C – Chronic Health Points](#)

### [Part A - Acute Physiology Score](#)

For each of the 12 physiological variables, select the **most deranged value** over the **preceding 24 hour period prior to randomisation**. Enter the value in the right hand column.

For exact non-integer data that is not found in any of the given ranges, round the figure up or down to the nearest whole number. E.g., 44 years and 3 months is rounded down to  $\leq 44$  years and assigned 0 points; a calculated MAP of 129.7 is rounded up to 130 and assigned 3 points. For integers of xx.5 always round upwards. This is an arbitrary decision but must be followed for every patient to ensure consistency.

1. **Temperature** – this should be a core temperature measurement (rectal, tympanic, oesophageal or via PAC). Where this is not possible, add 0.5°C to the oral or axillary temperature.
2. If mean arterial pressure (**MAP**) is not calculated by monitoring equipment, use the manual sphygmomanometer recording of systolic (SBP) and diastolic blood pressure (DBP) to obtain MAP using this equation
$$\text{MAP} = \frac{(\text{DBP} \times 2) + \text{SBP}}{3}$$
3. If the patient has an atrial arrhythmia, measure the ventricular response rate (R waves) only to record the **heart rate**.
4. **A – aDO<sub>2</sub>** is the difference between the calculated alveolar oxygen tension and the arterial oxygen tension. The alveolar oxygen tension is calculated by this equation:  $\text{AO}_2 = 713 \times \text{FiO}_2 - \text{PaCO}_2 \times 1.25$ . The  $\text{FiO}_2$  here is expressed as a proportion of a unit. e.g. 100%  $\text{FiO}_2 = 1$  and 60% equals 0.6. If the  $\text{FiO}_2$  (inhaled oxygen concentration) is greater than or equal to 50%, record the most deranged value for the **A – aDO<sub>2</sub>**. If the  $\text{FiO}_2$  is less than 50% record only the **PaO<sub>2</sub>** (arterial oxygen pressure). All measurements are in mmHg.
5. **A – aDO<sub>2</sub> calculation is**  $[(\text{FiO}_2 (713) - (\text{PaCO}_2 / 0.8))] - \text{PaO}_2$
6. If ABGs have not been performed, choose the most deranged value for the serum venous bicarbonate ( $\text{HCO}_3$ ) in place of the **arterial pH**
7. To obtain a score for the Glasgow Coma Scale (**GCS**) use the GCS worksheet provided and subtract the GCS score from 15 to arrive at a score on the APACHE worksheet.

Whenever possible, attempt to obtain a score for each physiological variable. If one of the 12 variables is not available, assign 0 points and make a note of this absence on the APACHE II worksheet. The assumption being made is that a test or measurement was not ordered because the status of the patient did not warrant investigation, rather than the data was missing.

To complete **Part B** – assign points to the age range that the patient fits in to e.g. a 48 year old patient would be assigned 2 points.

To complete **Part C** – first decide if the patient meets any of the criteria provided on the worksheet for a history of severe organ insufficiency or immunocompromised. If there is no history, assign 0 points. If there is a history, assign points depending on whether the patient is a non-operative emergency admission or an emergency post-operative admission.

### **Parts B and C and overall APACHE II score calculated by the study database.**

Finally, add the points recorded for each of the 3 parts. The minimum score is 0 and the maximum score is 71. Keep the completed APACHE II worksheet in the patient CRF Worksheet folder for this patient. It may be used for quality assurance measures. You will therefore need to print the Patient Study Number on the APACHE worksheet.



# INSPIRED OXYGEN CONVERSION CHART

## Nasal cannulae

1 LPM = 24%

2 LPM = 28%

3 LPM = 32%

4 LPM = 36%

## Hudson Oxygen Mask

5 - 6 LPM = 40%

6 - 7 LPM = 50%

7 - 8 LPM = 60%

## High Concentration Mask

8 - 12 LPM = 60 – 80%

## Partial Rebreathing Mask

8 - 12 LPM = 60-80%

## Non-Rebreathing Mask

8 - 12 LPM = 90-99%



## APACHE II Severity of Disease Worksheet (mmHg)

| PHYSIOLOGIC VARIABLE   | High Abnormal Range |            |           |             | 0                    | Low Abnormal Range      |             |                        |                      | APS |
|--|---------------------|------------|-----------|-------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------|------------------------|----------------------|-----|
|  | + 4                 | + 3        | + 2       | + 1         |                      | +1                      | +2          | +3                     | +4                   |     |
| Temperature – rectal (° C)   | ≥ 41                | 39 – 40.9  |           | 38.5 – 38.9 | 36 – 38.4            | 34 - 35.9               | 32 – 33.9   | 30 – 31.9              | ≤ 29.9               |     |
| Mean arterial pressure – mmHg  | ≥ 160               | 130 - 159  | 110 – 129 |             | 70 - 109             |                         | 50 - 69     |                        | ≤ 49                 |     |
| Heart rate (ventricular response)  | ≥ 180               | 140 – 179  | 110 – 139 |             | 70 - 109             |                         | 55 - 69     | 40 - 54                | ≤ 39                 |     |
| Respiratory rate<br>(non-ventilated or ventilated)   | ≥ 50                | 35 – 49    |           | 25 - 34     | 12 - 24              | 10 - 11                 | 6 - 9       |                        | ≤ 5                  |     |
| Oxygenation: A - aDO <sub>2</sub> or PaO <sub>2</sub> (mmHg)<br>a. if FIO <sub>2</sub> ≥ 0.5 record A - aDO <sub>2</sub> | > 500               | 350 – 499  | 200 – 349 |             | < 200                |                         |             |                        |                      |     |
| b. if FIO <sub>2</sub> < 0.5 record only PaO <sub>2</sub>  |                     |            |           |             | PO <sub>2</sub> > 71 | PO <sub>2</sub> 61 - 70 |             | PO <sub>2</sub> 55- 60 | PO <sub>2</sub> < 55 |     |
| Arterial pH  | ≥ 7.7               | 7.6 – 7.69 |           | 7.5 – 7.59  | 7.33 – 7.49          |                         | 7.25 – 7.32 | 7.15 – 7.24            | < 7.15               |     |
| Serum sodium (mmol/L)  | ≥ 180               | 160 – 179  | 155 – 159 | 150 - 154   | 130 - 149            |                         | 120 - 129   | 111 - 119              | ≤ 110                |     |
| Serum potassium (mmol/L)   | ≥ 7                 | 6 – 6.9    |           | 5.5 – 5.9   | 3.5 – 5.4            | 3 – 3.4                 | 2.5 – 2.9   |                        | ≤ 2.5                |     |
| Serum creatinine (µmol/L) (double point score for acute renal failure)   | ≥ 300               | 171 – 299  | 121 – 170 |             | 50 – 120             |                         | < 50        |                        |                      |     |
| Haematocrit (%)  | ≥ 60                |            | 50 – 59.9 | 46 – 49.9   | 30 – 45.9            |                         | 20 – 29.9   |                        | < 20                 |     |
| White blood count (total/mm <sup>3</sup> ) (in 1,000s)   | ≥ 40                |            | 20 – 39.9 | 15 – 19.9   | 3 – 14.9             |                         | 1 – 2.9     |                        | < 1                  |     |
| Glasgow Coma Score (GCS)*<br>(Score = 15 minus actual GCS)   |                     |            |           |             |                      |                         |             |                        |                      |     |
| Serum HCO <sub>3</sub> (venous – mMol/L)<br><b>(Only use this if no ABGs available)</b>                                  | ≥ 52                | 41 – 51.9  |           | 32 – 40.9   | 22 – 31.9            |                         | 18 – 21.9   | 15 – 17.9              | < 15                 |     |
|  |                     |            |           |             |                      |                         |             |                        | <b>TOTAL APS</b>     |     |

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B. Age point and C. Chronic Health points are calculated by the REMAP-CAP database.

| B. AGE POINTS                    |                                |        | C. CHRONIC HEALTH POINTS  |                      |   |   |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|---|----------------------|---|---|
| Assign points to age as follows: | Age (yrs)                      | Points | If patient has history of severe organ system insufficiency or is immuno-compromised, assign points as follows:<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> a. for non-operative or emergency post-operative patients<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> b. for elective post-operative patients | Points               | <b>DEFINITIONS:</b> Organ insufficiency or immuno-compromised state must have been evident <b>prior</b> to this hospital admission and conform to the following criteria: |   |
|                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> ≤ 44  | 0      |   |                      | <b>LIVER</b>  | Biopsy proven cirrhosis & documented portal hypertension (PH); episodes of upper GI bleeding due to PH; or prior episodes of hepatic failure/encephalopathy/coma  |
|                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> 45–54 | 2      |   |                      | <b>RENAL</b>  | Receiving chronic dialysis  |
|                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> 55–64 | 3      |   |                      | <b>CARDIOVASCULAR</b>   | New York Heart Association Class IV   |
|                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> 65–74 | 5      |   |                      | <b>RESPIRATORY</b>  | Chronic restrictive, obstructive or vascular disease resulting in severe exercise restriction (i.e. unable to climb stairs, perform household duties); or documented chronic hypoxia, hypercapnia, 2° polycythemia, severe pulmonary hypertension (>40mmHg) or respiratory dependency |
|                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> ≥ 75  | 6      |   |                      | <b>IMMUNOCOMPROMISED</b>  | Patient has received therapy that suppresses resistance to infection, eg. immuno-suppression, chemotherapy, radiotherapy, long term or recent high dose steroids, or has a disease sufficiently advanced to suppress resistance to infection (eg leukaemia, lymphoma, AIDS)           |
| APACHE II SCORE - a sum of:      |                                |        | A. APS points = ____  | B. Age points = ____ | C. Chronic Health points = ____   | Sum of A + B + C = ____<br>(0 to 71)  |

For *intubated* patients use verbal scoring column allocated

**Best Verbal Response**

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| 5 | Orientated       |
| 4 | Confused         |
| 3 | Inappropriate    |
| 2 | Incomprehensible |
| 1 | No Response      |

**“Verbal” Intubated**

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| 5 | Orientated  |
| 3 | In Between  |
| 1 | No Response |

**Best Motor Response**

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| 6 | Obeys             |
| 5 | Localises         |
| 4 | Flexion – Withd.  |
| 3 | Flexion – Decort. |
| 2 | Extension         |
| 1 | No Response       |

**Best Eye Opening**

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| 4 | Spontaneous |
| 3 | To Command  |
| 2 | To Pain     |
| 1 | No Response |

