Continuous Infusion of Ketamine and Lidocaine—Either with or without Maropitant as an Adjuvant Agent for Analgesia in Female Dogs, Undergoing Mastectomy

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ABSTRACT

Maropitant, an antagonist of neurokinin-1 (NK-1) receptors, blocks the pharmacological action of substance P on the central and peripheral nervous systems. The objective of this study was to compare the antinociceptive and cardiorespiratory effects of the continuous intraoperative infusion of maropitant with ketamine and lidocaine in female dogs undergoing unilateral radical mastectomy. Twenty-four female dogs were used and were divided randomly into two groups (n = 12). The GLK group received ketamine bolus (1.0 mg/kg), lidocaine bolus (1.5 mg/kg), and continuous infusion of ketamine and lidocaine (10 mcg/kg/min and 50 mcg/kg/min), respectively; the GLKM group received the same anesthetic protocol combined with maropitant bolus (1.5 mg/kg/IV) and continuous infusion of maropitant (100 mcg/kg/h). Continuous infusion was initiated at the start of surgery and was maintained until 1 hour postoperatively. Pain was evaluated in the postoperative period using four scales and a digital analgesimeter. Data were analysed using analysis of variance, Student's t-test, Mann–Whitney test, and Friedman’s test (<0.05). Kaplan–Meier curves were compared using the log-rank test. The results indicated lower pain scores, better survival curves with a lower number of patients requiring rescue analgesia, and lower peripheral sensitization, in the GLKM group than in the GLK group. It was concluded that the coadministration of maropitant with ketamine and lidocaine had an adjuvant effect with minimal cardiorespiratory effects and effective analgesia, improving pain management and patient comfort.

Mammary neoplasms are regular in little creatures and typically influence uncastrated females or creatures that have been mutilated late [1, 2]. Mastectomy initiates an exacerbated inflammatory reaction in the postoperative period [3]. The agony in this period might be ascribed somewhat to the disappointment in absence of pain strategies, bargaining the accomplishment of patients' recuperation and bringing about intense and persistent torment [1]. It is accepted that the utilization of multimodal conventions improves understanding solace and diminishes unfriendly medication impacts [4].

Adjuvant absence of pain methods for the most part diminish the requirement for sedatives, giving satisfactory torment the board and insignificant unfriendly impacts. A method utilized in mastectomy is irregular bolus organization and constant imbuement of ketamine and lidocaine. This convention gives a consistent centralization of these medications, quicker recuperation, and standardization of plasma levels [1, 5, 6].

The neurokinin-1 (NK-1) receptor has a solid partiality for substance P, which is communicated in vascular endothelial cells, muscles, neurons, and various sorts of resistant cells [7]. NK-1 receptor antagonists might be halfway applied as antiemetics and analgesics and for treating urinary incontinence. These specialists may likewise be utilized at the fringe level for treating fiery inside sicknesses, joint pain, irritation, and cystitis. Accordingly, taking into account the intricacy and extent of receptor reactions, a past report utilized a rodent model to evaluate the job of substance P and the initiation of NK-1 receptors in the rostral ventromedial medulla, which is associated with hyperalgesia. This equivalent examination assessed the job of substance P in warm hyperalgesia and slipping control of agony and found that this neuropeptide encouraged spinal hyperalgesia by connecting with gamma-aminobutyric corrosive sort A receptors and N-methyl D-aspartate.