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Title: Can Hyperbaric Oxygen be Used to Prevent Deep Infections in Neuro-muscular Scoliosis Surgery?

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As the literature is full of studies reporting high percentage of wound problems and infections, the neuromuscular scoliosis patients cannot be evaluated as adolescent idiopathic scoliosis patients. As there was a high risk of both infections and wound problems, our strategy was to accept all wounds vulnerable to infection. That’s why we used 30 sessions.

In addition to this, I do not think that we are writing a bible from scratch. Neither 30 sessions nor 20 sessions is not God’s will to be obeyed.

What we have accomplished is not the law. This is a scientific study and we did this with 30 sessions of HBO treatment. Anyone who finds it too much can repeat the same study with a smaller number of sessions.

I think you are missing the point that HBO treatment is beneficial in this specific group of patients. Conclusion is important. Especially if this is the first and only study about the effect of HBO in neuromuscular patients.