



Abstract

Descriptive Study of the Clinical Characteristics of Trauma Patients
in the West Southern Kyungsangnam-do Area

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Purpose: This study was conducted to gather descriptive data on trauma victims and to observe the general demographic characteristics and clinical profile of trauma victims who were admitted to a regional emergency medical center in the west southern Kyungsangnam-do area.

Objects & Method: The study population consisted of 1,909 trauma patients who visited the emergency department of Gyeongsang National University Hospital between January 2003 and December 2004. The medical records were reviewed in a retrospective manner. Demographic data, the mechanism of injury, and clinical information were collected by three professional medical affairs recorders and an emergency physician and a Revised Trauma Score (RTS) and an Injury Severity Score (ISS) were calculated for each patient. Collected data were analyzed with SPSS software version 12.0.

Results: Male patients outnumbered female patients (M:F=2.54:1), and the mean age of the population was 40.5 ± 21.4 years. The mean RTS and ISS were 7.45 ± 1.11 and 8.40 ± 7.44 , respectively. The seventies showed the highest ISS (10.94 ± 8.66). The most common mechanism of injury was motor-vehicle accidents (45.57%), followed by falls or slips (28.26%), and other blunt injuries (12.68%). The most frequent causes of death were cerebral herniation due to head injury (68.4%) and irreversible shock (26.3%).

Conclusion: The present study clarified the demographic and clinical characteristics of trauma patients in the Kyungsangnam-do area. In the future, prospective clinical data collection is needed for a more sophisticated trauma study.

Key Words: Trauma, Injury severity score, Revised trauma score, Descriptive study

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SPSS 12.0

“3-peak theory”

Oneway-ANOVA, Kruskal-Wallis

Tuckey, Dunnett

Chi square

95%

(third peak)

(1,2).

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가 50%

가 1,369 (71.7%), 가 540 (28.3%)

2.54:1

40.5±21.4

40 (17.4%), 20 (15.2%), 30 (13.2%), 50 (13.2%) (Table 1).

RTS 7.45±1.11, ISS 8.40±7.44

8.35±7.41, 8.52±7.54

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7.26±1.37 10.94±8.66 가

, RTS

(p=0.279), ISS

(p 0.001), 70 50 , 60

ISS

(Table 2).

0 ~ 10

(28.2%) , 10

(42.6%),

(44.7%), (25.3%) , 20

(46.0%), (18.2%) , 30

(38.5%), (19.4%) ,

(41.7%), (16.8%)

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, 50 (47.2%),

(23.0%) , 60 (59.1%),

(23.6%) , 70 (45.6%),

(39.4%) 가 (Table 3).

(45.6%),

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Table 1. Age and Sex distribution

Age	Male	Female	Total (%)
0~10	143	66	209 (11.0)
11~20	124	46	170 (8.9)
21~30	228	63	291 (15.2)
31~40	199	53	252 (13.2)
41~50	250	83	333 (17.4)
51~60	185	67	252 (13.2)
61~70	165	77	242 (12.7)
> 70	75	85	160 (8.4)
Total (%)	1369 (71.7)	540 (28.3)	1909 (100)

(21.6%), (12.7%), (6.1%) 0.001)(Table 5).
 가 , ISS (10.53 570 (29.9%), 507
 ± 8.10), (9.21±6.87), (5.21 (26.6%), 458 (24.0%), 437 (22.9%),
 ±5.07) ISS 262 (13.8%), 182 (9.6%) ,
 (Table 4). ISS (14.56±9.81), (14.52±7.97),
 2 (10.63±9.31), (10.13±9.03) .
 555 (29.1%) , 69.8% 가
 (43.0%), (22.1%), (19.0%) , (54.4%), (51.4%), (51.0%)
 가 , (p , 가

Table 2. Injury Severity Score and Revised Trauma Score according to age

Age	ISS	RTS
0~10	7.14 ± 6.24 [†]	7.43 ± 1.05
11~20	7.41 ± 7.60 [†]	7.55 ± 0.80
21~30	7.83 ± 7.12 [†]	7.42 ± 1.016
31~40	7.21 ± 6.23 [†]	7.31 ± 1.30
41~50	8.35 ± 8.20 [†]	7.47 ± 1.16
51~60	9.39 ± 8.03	7.49 ± 1.08
61~70	9.71 ± 7.53	7.51 ± 1.01
> 70	10.57 ± 7.44*	7.46 ± 1.13
Total	8.40 ± 7.44	7.45 ± 1.11

* p 0.05 vs. [†]

Table 3. Injury mechanism according to age

	0~10	11~20	21~30	31~40	41~50	51~60	61~70	>70	Total
MVA*	89 (10.23)	76 (8.74)	134 (15.40)	97 (11.15)	139 (15.98)	119 (13.68)	143 (16.44)	73 (8.39)	870 (45.57)
Fall/slip	59 (14.32)	30 (7.28)	40 (9.71)	49 (11.89)	56 (13.59)	58 (14.08)	57 (13.83)	63 (15.29)	412 (21.58)
Machinery	4 (3.45)	4 (3.45)	14 (12.07)	14 (12.07)	33 (28.45)	29 (25.00)	16 (13.79)	2 (1.72)	116 (6.08)
Other blunt	25 (10.33)	43 (17.77)	53 (21.90)	39 (16.12)	45 (18.60)	20 (8.26)	10 (4.13)	7 (2.89)	242 (12.68)
Penetrating	2 (1.77)	10 (8.85)	28 (24.78)	37 (32.74)	29 (25.66)	3 (2.65)	3 (2.65)	1 (0.88)	113 (5.92)
Others	28 (20.74)	6 (4.44)	19 (14.07)	14 (10.37)	25 (18.52)	18 (13.33)	12 (8.89)	13 (9.63)	135 (7.07)
unknown	2 (9.52)	1 (4.76)	3 (14.29)	2 (9.52)	6 (28.57)	5 (23.81)	1 (4.76)	1 (4.76)	21 (1.10)
Total	209 (10.95)	170 (8.91)	291 (15.24)	252 (13.20)	333 (17.44)	252 (13.20)	242 (12.68)	160 (8.38)	1909 (100)

* Motor vehicle accident

Table 4. Revised Trauma Score and Injury Severity Score according to the mechanism

Mechanism	RTS	ISS
MVA*	7.35 ± 1.22	10.53 ± 8.10
Fall/slip	7.52 ± 1.02	9.21 ± 6.87
Machinery	7.76 ± 0.52	3.05 ± 2.79
Other blunt	7.59 ± 0.95	5.22 ± 5.07
Penetrating	7.25 ± 1.38	4.50 ± 4.52
Others	7.61 ± 0.88	5.24 ± 5.79
Unknown	7.04 ± 1.24	11.67 ± 10.23
Total	7.45 ± 1.11	8.40 ± 7.44

* Motor vehicle accident

(24.8%), (23.7%), (21.4%), (Table 8).
 (26.7%), (14.2%), (13.0%), 25.51±37.97 ISS
 (10.9%) 가 4.6% 가 , (4.2%), (33.10±47.82),
 (3.3%) (Table 6, 7). (21.60±29.84), (21.04±22.94),
 (40.0%), (31.8%), (24.5%), (20.5%) (p=0.27), 50 (30.60±36.82), 40
 , (35.9%), (27.53±47.48), 30 (27.12±45.18)
 (28.3%), (21.0%), (20.7%) 가

Table 5. Frequency of associated injury according to injury mechanism

Mechanism	No. case
MVA*	374 (67.39)
Fall/slip	91 (16.40)
Machinery	8 (1.44)
Other blunt	46 (8.29)
Penetrating	11 (1.98)
Others	19 (3.42)
Unknown	6 (1.08)
Total	555 (100)

* Motor vehicle accident

38 (2.0%) ,
 27 , 11 , 50.97±
 20.35 , RTS ISS 7.37±15.60,
 23.47±11.05 . (N=25),
 (N=8) 가 .
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Table 6. Characteristics of the cases of specific site injured

Site injured	No. case (%)	ISS	No. case with associated injury (%)	Death (%)
Head	570 (29.86)	14.52 ± 7.97	293 (51.40)	26 (4.56)
Face	507 (26.56)	6.96 ± 7.15	225 (44.38)	8 (1.58)
Neck	22 (1.15)	6.68 ± 5.31	10 (45.45)	0 (0)
Thorax	262 (13.72)	14.56 ± 9.81	183 (69.85)	11 (4.20)
Abdomen	182 (9.53)	10.63 ± 9.31	99 (54.40)	6 (3.30)
Spine	210 (11.00)	10.13 ± 9.03	107 (50.95)	4 (1.90)
Upperext*	458 (23.99)	7.51 ± 7.93	183 (39.96)	5 (1.09)
Lowerext [†]	437 (22.89)	10.52 ± 8.15	227 (51.95)	13 (2.97)

* Upper extremity, [†] lower extremity.

Table 7. Frequency of associated injury in cases of specific site injured. Site injured

Site injured	No. case of associated injury (%)							
	Head	Face	Neck	Thorax	Abdomen	Spine	Upperext	Lowerext
Head		152 (26.67)	4 (0.70)	62 (10.87)	21 (36.84)	39 (68.42)	74 (12.98)	81 (14.21)
Face	152 (29.98)		4 (0.79)	37 (7.30)	12 (2.37)	18 (3.55)	46 (9.07)	51 (10.06)
Neck	4 (18.18)	4 (18.18)		1 (4.54)	1 (4.54)	1 (4.54)	1 (4.54)	3 (13.64)
Thorax	62 (23.66)	37 (14.12)	2 (0.38)		47 (17.94)	40 (15.27)	56 (21.37)	65 (24.81)
Abdomen	21 (11.54)	12 (6.59)	1 (0.55)	47 (25.82)		14 (7.69)	21 (11.54)	46 (25.27)
Spine	39 (18.57)	18 (8.57)	1 (0.48)	40 (19.05)	14 (6.67)		30 (14.29)	40 (19.05)
Upperext*	74 (16.16)	46 (10.04)	1 (0.21)	56 (12.23)	21 (45.85)	30 (65.50)		80 (17.47)
Lowerext [†]	81 (18.54)	51 (11.67)	3 (0.69)	65 (14.87)	46 (10.53)	40 (9.15)	80 (18.31)	

* Upper extremity, [†] lower extremity

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Injury Severity Score

±7.44

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20~40

RTS 7.45±1.11, ISS 8.40

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RTS GCS가 가
AVPU, drowsy, stu-
porous, semicoma 가

GCS Verbal response
(16,17). 2가

Kelly Rutledge, GCS

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RTS ISS

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