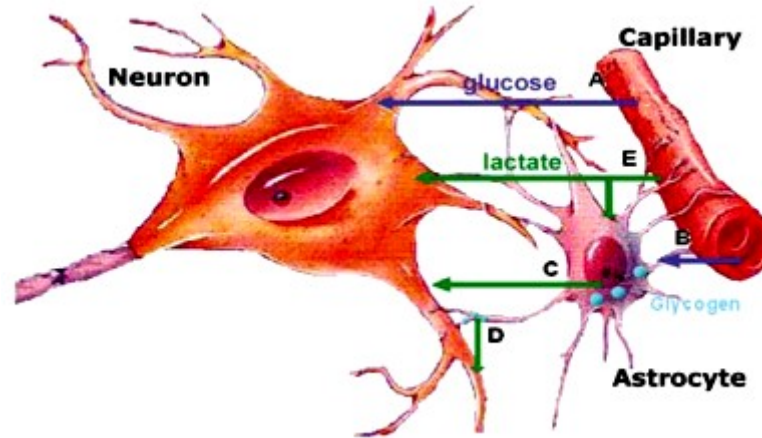


# Effacité de l'érythropoïétine pour le neuropaludisme de l'enfant



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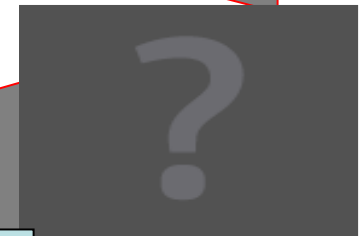
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# Apoptosis Highway

*Plasmodium berghei* Apoptosis within the mosquito.  
Al-Olayan 2002, Int. J. Par.



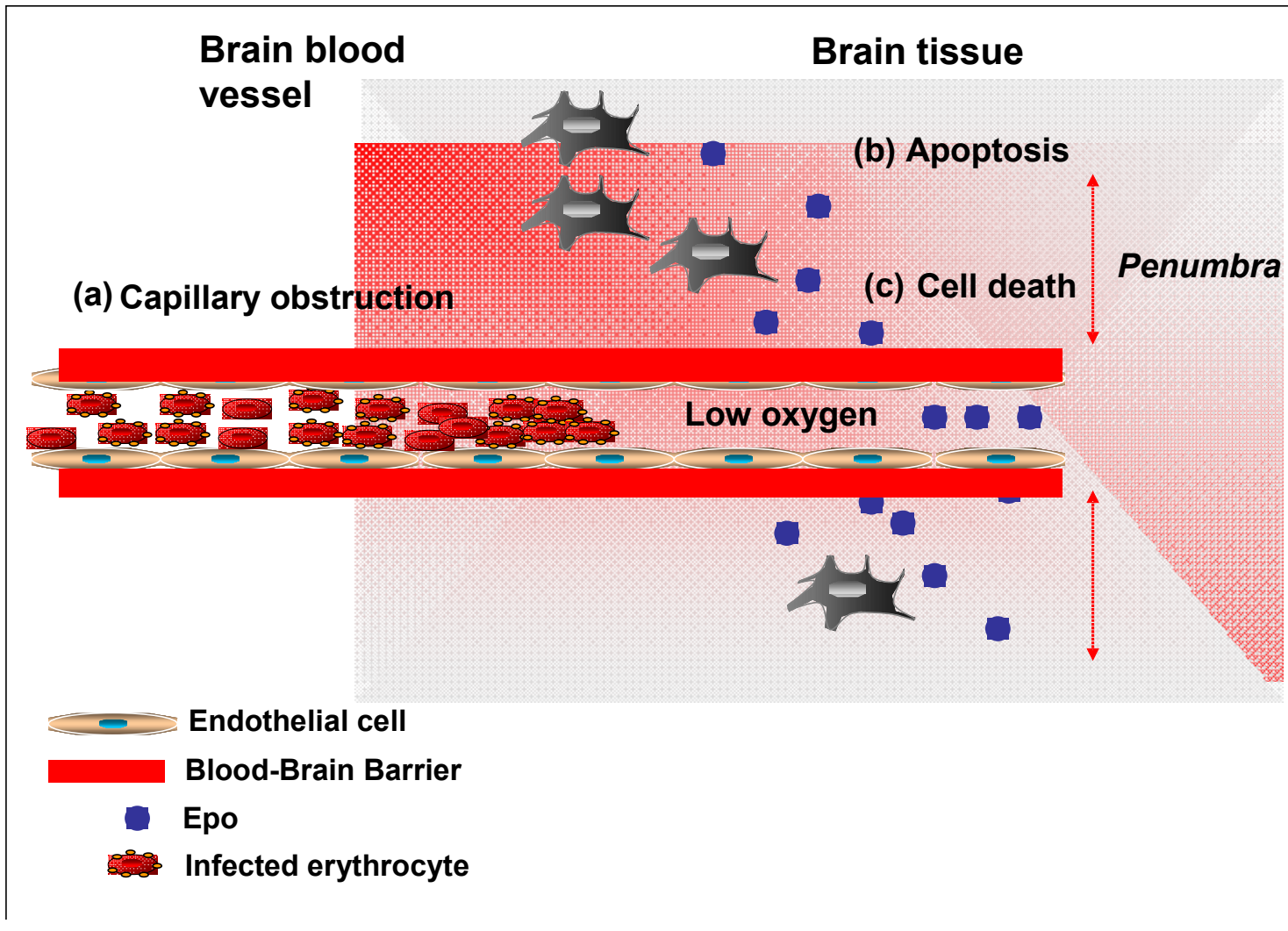
*Plasmodium falciparum* apoptosis.  
Picot 1997 TRSTMH



Endothelial cell death  
Pino 2003 JID

EPO control of CM death rate  
Kaiser 2006, JID





Review

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# Can erythropoietin be used to prevent brain damage in cerebral malaria?

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# Essai clinique (clinicaltrial.gov *NCT 00697164*)

- Nouvelle indication
  - 1 : Proof of concept
  - 2 : Randomized double blind clinical trial
- Bamako, Mali
  - Malaria Research and Training Center (O. Doumbo)
  - Gabriel Touré hospital (Severe malaria ward)
- Epoetin beta (NEORECORMON®) 1500 IU/kg/j
- quinine IV 25 mg/kg/day,
- J 1-3
- Safety
- Ethical Clearance: Rofar Board of Trustees (CH), FMPOS
- Data monitoring committee:
  - T. Taylor (USA-Malawi), F. Nicolini (France), P. François (France), D. Dialo (Mali)



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## High-Dose Erythropoietin in Extremely Premature Infants to Prevent/Attenuate Brain Injury: A Phase II Study

**This study has been suspended.**

( FDA hold )

First Received: December 27, 2007 Last Updated: January 29, 2009 [History of Changes](#)

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#### Epoetin alfa

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diazepam, détresse respiratoire, mort à H 44

Acidose à admission, mort à H 51

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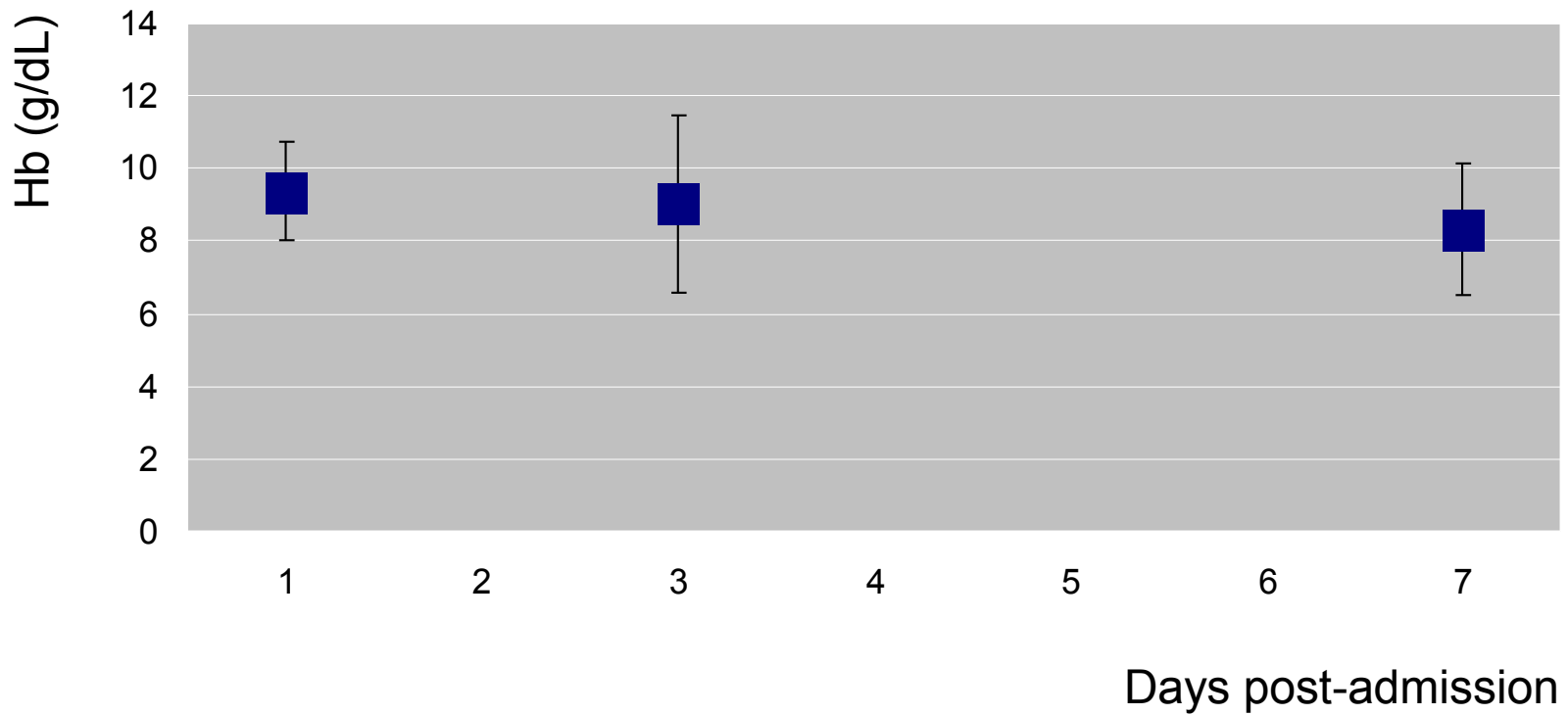
Hypotension, mort H1

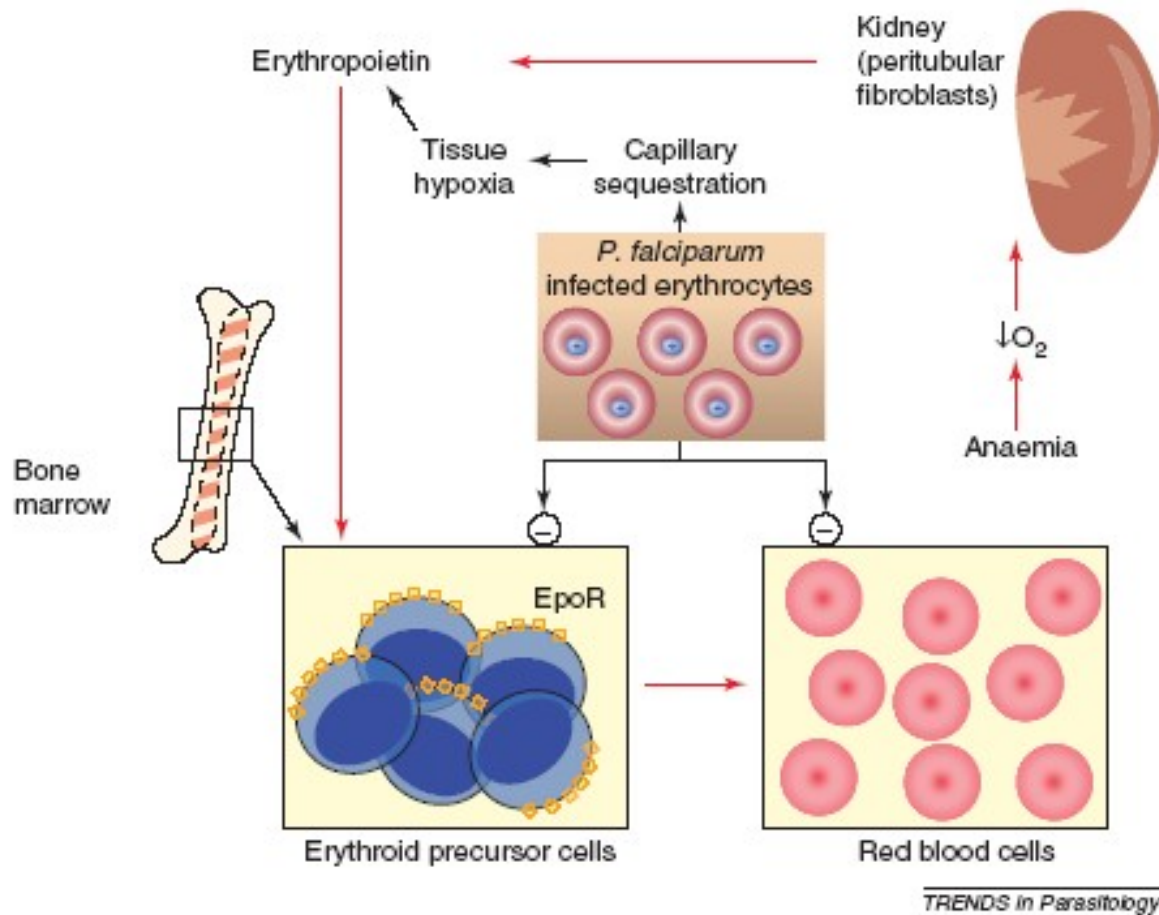
Mort H 16

	Intention de traiter	Survivants	Décédés	Comparaison
		n=28	n=7	Vivant/Dcd
Blantyre score = 1	17/35	12/28	5/7	.32
Blantyre score = 2	18/35	16/28	2/7	.16
≥ 1 convulsion(s)	23/35	17/28	6/7	.06
Détresse respiratoire	7/35	4/28	3/7	1
Hémoglobinurie	7/35	6/28	1/7	.55
Ictère	4/35	4/28	0/7	.16

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SaO <sub>2</sub> , %	91.0±8.7	89.8± 9.4	95.1±3.5	.10
Asexual <i>P.falciparum</i>	43000 ± 62000	45000 ± 46000	37000 ± 54000	.85
Blood pH	7.29±0.1	7.3±0.1	7.3±0.2	.72
Lactates, mmol/L	6.0±3.6	5.8±3.3	6.3±3.6	.78
Hb, g/dL	9.4±1.4	9.6±1.4	9.0±1.2	.32
Glycémie, mmol/L	6.4±3.6	6.3±2.3	7.8±6.1	.54







## Malaria :

Production inadéquate d'EPO ou suppression érythropoïèse malgré production adéquate ?  
(Chang et al, JID 2004)

## EPO et malaria non sévère :

Réticulocytose précoce  $\Rightarrow$   $\uparrow$  replication parasite

Réticulocytose tardive  $\Rightarrow$  amélioration récupération

# Epo et paludisme sévère

Host	Study type	Cases	Controls	Outcome measure	Refs
Mice	Pre-clinical trial	15 mice given rHu-Epo 50 µg per kg (~120 U per mouse per day) on day 4, 5 and 6 after infection.	15 control mice given saline on day 4, 5 and 6 after infection.	Mortality on day 7 and 8. 6 of 15 on Epo died versus 14 out of 15 on saline.	[48]
Mice	Pre-clinical trial	Mice given rHu-Epo in doses ranging from 1–200 U per day per mouse on different schemes.	Control mice given saline.	Survival on day 14. Survival in controls 0%. Highest survival achieved in mice given 200, 100 or 50 U (i.e. 56%, 48% and 45% of mice survived, respectively).	[51]
Mice	Pre-clinical trial	15 mice were each given pre-mortem low doses of 20 U per day of rHu-Epo, 100 U per day of rHu-Epo, 40 mg per kg per day of artesunate alone or 40 mg per kg per day of artesunate with 20 U per day of rHu-Epo on day 6, 7 and 8 after infection.	15 control mice given saline on day 6, 7 and 8 after infection.	Mortality. All 15 control mice died on day 8. Pre-mortem rHu-Epo of 20 U per day and 100 U per day did not improve survival. Mortality was lower in 40 mg per kg per day of artesunate plus 20 U per day of rHu-Epo with 3 of 15 (20%) mice dying as compared to 40 mg per kg per day of artesunate alone, whereby 6 of 15 (38%) mice died.	[52]
Children	Retrospective study	Children who died (16) or had gross sequelae on discharge (32). Median plasma Epo concentrations were 123 (ranging from 29–1726) U per L and 184 (ranging from 23–694) U per L, respectively.	76 children who survived without sequelae. Median plasma Epo was 278 (with a range of 96–1852) U per L.	Plasma Epo >200 U per L. In a matched analysis, plasma Epo >200 U per L was associated with ~80% reduction in risk of sequelae.	[54]

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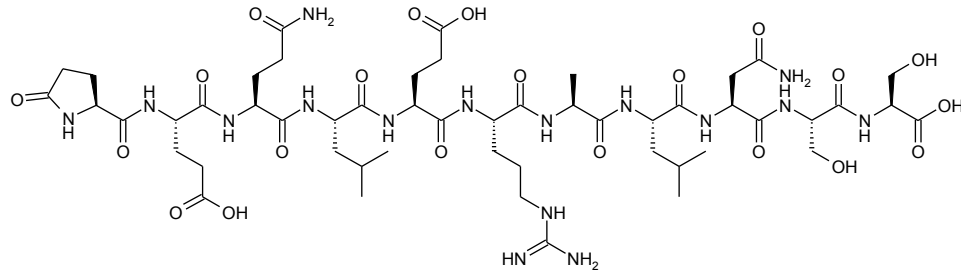
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# Epopetides



- 11 amino acid peptides
- Receptor-selective peptides
- Phase I completed

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