

The Hong Kong College of Anaesthesiologists

Final Fellowship Examination Paper II 27th March 2009 (Friday)

11:00 - 12:30 hrs

Instructions:

- a. There are three pre-labelled answer books. Please make sure you answer the respective questions in the appropriate answer book.
- b. Write your examination number on the cover of each answer book.
- c. Answer **ALL** questions (nine questions). They are worth equal marks and you should spend approximately ten minutes for each question.

- 1. List the causes of perioperative atrial fibrillation. What are the dangers of acute onset atrial fibrillation? Outline your management of acute atrial fibrillation in the perioperative period.
- 2. Discuss how respiratory pressure, volume, and flow monitors can be used to prevent hazards of an anaesthesia breathing system (patient circuit).
- 3. Outline the methods and benefits of pain management after thoracotomy surgery.
- 4. What is postoperative delirium? Outline your management of postoperative delirium.
- 5. A 65 years old woman is scheduled for laparoscopic cholecystectomy for gall stones. She has 10 years history of hypertension, but is otherwise healthy. Physical examination reveals a systolic heart murmur. Discuss the indication for echocardiography.
- 6. Comment on the role of lipid emulsion for the treatment of severe local anaesthetic toxicity resulting in seizure and cardiovascular collapse.
- 7. Describe the anatomy of the popliteal fossa relevant to performing a sciatic nerve block for Hallux Valgus surgery.
- 8. Define contrast induced nephropathy. List the risk factors and discuss measures which can reduce the risk.
- 9. What are the possible consequences of hypothermia to 34°C in a patient in recovery room? Briefly outline the methods that can be used to prevent it.