

Difficult Intubation in the ICU and the Macocha Score

TABLE 5. MACOCHA SCORE CALCULATION WORKSHEET

Factors	Points
Factors related to patient	
Mallampati score III or IV	5
Obstructive sleep apnea syndrome	2
Reduced mobility of cervical spine	1
Limited mouth opening <3 cm	1
Factors related to pathology	
Coma	1
Severe hypoxemia (<80%)	1
Factor related to operator	
Nonanesthesiologist	1
Total	12

Definition of abbreviation: MACOCHA = Mallampati score III or IV, Apnea syndrome (obstructive), Cervical spine limitation, Opening mouth <3 cm, Coma, Hypoxia, Anesthesiologist nontrained.

Coded from 0 to 12: 0 = easy; 12 = very difficult.