


**1:** Unlocking Mayfield head pins  
Decide: does delay in DC Shock from removal outweigh risk to neck etc.  
Place head in Horeshoe if available: NB: Gloved hands may be used to stabilise the head if biphasic shocks used



\* Although Resuscitation Council UK 2010 guidelines do not include the use of atropine, yet profound vagal stimulus is a common cause of asystole in the operating theatre environment

NB: Use of muscle relaxants may not prevent body jerk