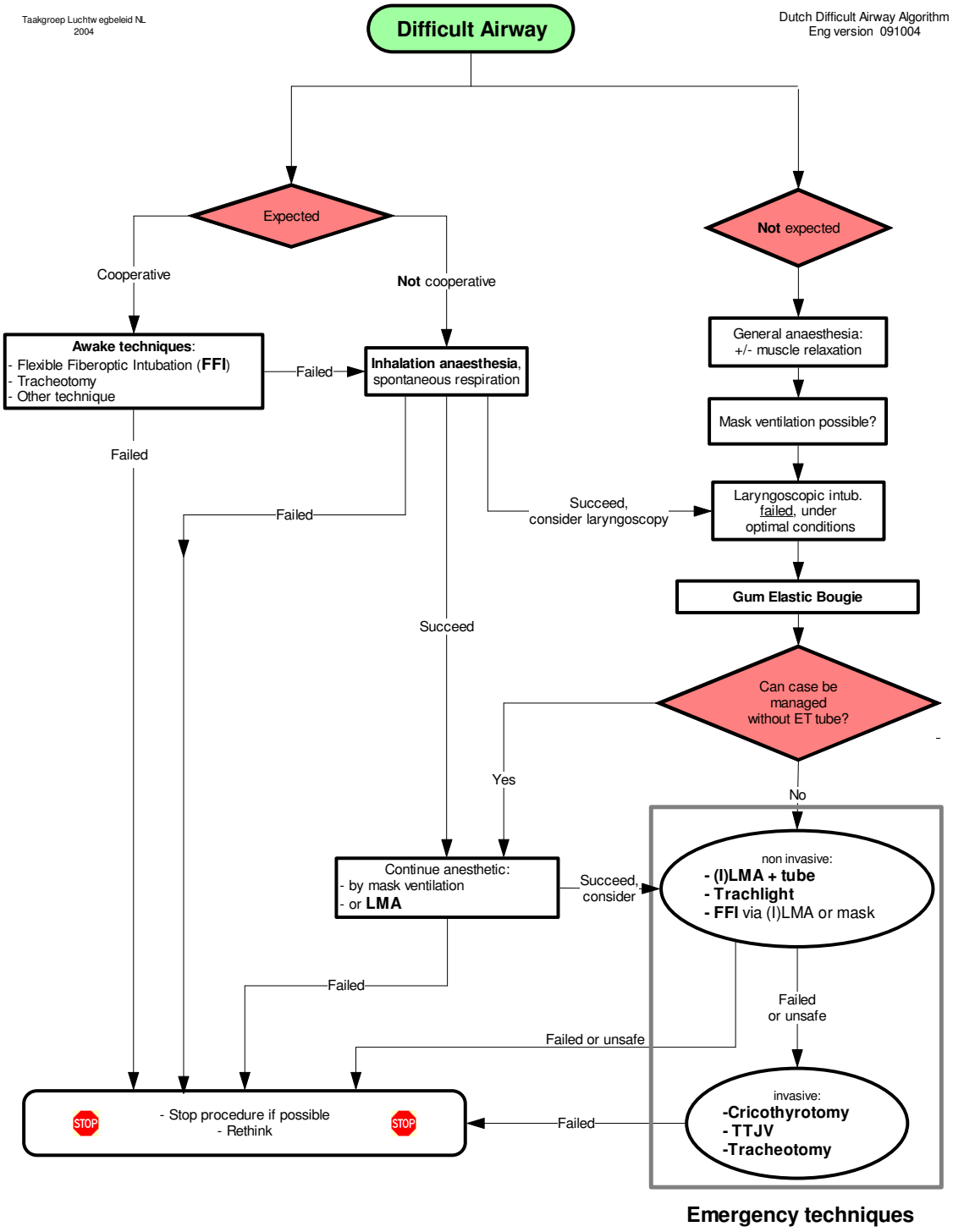
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Difficult Airway
Dutch Difficult Airway Algorithm
Eng version 091004
Expected
Not expected
Cooperative
Not cooperative
Awake techniques:
- Flexible Fiberoptic Intubation (FFI)
- Tracheotomy
- Other technique
Failed
Inhalation anaesthesia, spontaneous respiration
General anaesthesia: +/- muscle relaxation
Mask ventilation possible?
Failed
Failed
Succeed, consider laryngoscopy
Laryngoscopic intub. failed, under optimal conditions
Gum Elastic Bougie
Succeed
Can case be managed without ET tube?
Yes
No
Continue anesthetic:
- by mask ventilation
- or LMA
Succeed, consider
non invasive:
- (I)LMA + tube
- Trachlight
- FFI via (I)LMA or mask
Failed
Failed or unsafe
Failed or unsafe
STOP
- Stop procedure if possible
- Rethink
STOP
Failed
invasive:
-Cricothyrotomy
- TTJV
-Tracheotomy
Emergency techniques