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**The Pharmacotherapy Preparatory Review &
Recertification Course**

Pediatrics

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Agenda

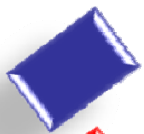
Discuss the pharmacological management of the following pediatric disease states:

- Pediatric and neonatal sepsis/meningitis
- Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)
- Otitis media
- Immunizations
- Pediatric seizure disorders
- Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)

Case 1

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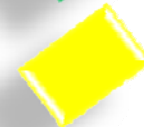
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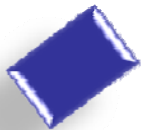
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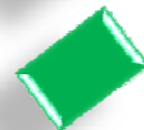
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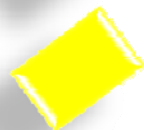
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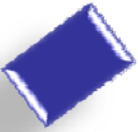

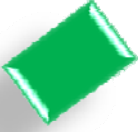
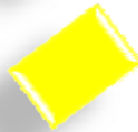


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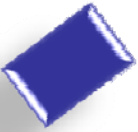

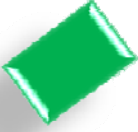
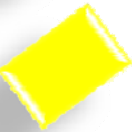
Chemoprophylaxis

- Purpose: prevent the spread of *Haemophilus influenzae* and *Neisseria meningitidis*
- High risk groups: household contacts, nursery or child care center contacts, direct contact with patient's secretions
- Drug of choice: rifampin

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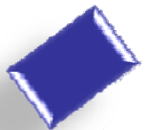
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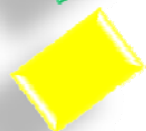
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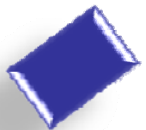
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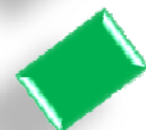
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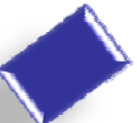


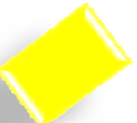
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You are screening babies during RSV season for risk factors associated with the development of severe RSV infection.

Which is the best recommendation regarding the use of palivizumab for RSV prophylaxis?

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-  D. An 18-month-old, 26 weeks' gestation infant history of CLD, no O₂ or meds in past 8 mo

Respiratory Syncytial Virus

■ Risk Factors

- ❑ premature birth
- ❑ chronic lung disease (CLD)
- ❑ cyanotic or complicated congenital heart disease
- ❑ immunodeficiency
- ❑ airway abnormalities
- ❑ other: low socioeconomic status, passive smoking, day care, siblings

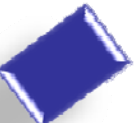



Respiratory Syncytial Virus

AAP guidelines for palivizumab use

Gestational Age (weeks)	Age at Start of RSV Season (months)	Other Criteria	Maximal Doses
≤ 28	< 12		5
29–31+ 6 days	< 6		5
32–34 + 6 days	< 3	At least one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• day care attendance• sibling < 5 years of age	3
Any	< 24	Chronic lung disease requiring medical therapy within past 6 months	5
Any	< 24	Hemodynamically significant congenital heart disease	5
Any	< 12	Congenital abnormalities of airway or neuromuscular disease	5

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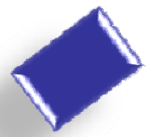
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18-month-old with history of premature birth and CLD is admitted to the PICU with respiratory distress requiring intubation, fever, and a 3-day history of cold-like symptoms. A nasal swab is positive for respiratory syncytial virus.

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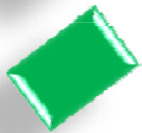
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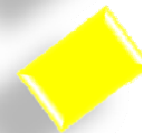
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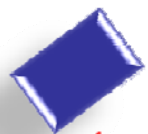

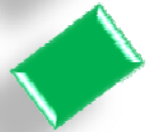
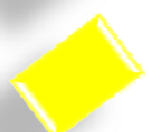


D. Intravenous fluids and supportive care

Case 6

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Best treatment recommendation?

-  A. No antibiotics are warranted at this time
-  B. High-dose (90 mg/kg/day) amoxicillin x 7 days
-  C. Decongestant & antihistamine daily
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Otitis Media

- Common pathogens
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 - *Streptococcus pneumoniae*
 - nontypeable *Haemophilus influenzae*
 - *Moraxella catarrhalis*

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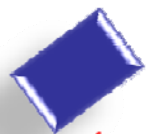

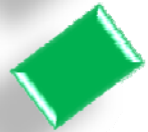
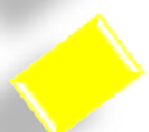
■ Treatment Principles

- clinical resolution in a significant # of cases
- immediate antibiotics if bulging TM
- if > 2 years old, may delay antibiotics if NO bulging TM and no severe systemic symptoms
 - 6mo – 2yrs, may differ if symptoms mild & OM uncertain
- antibiotics not needed for OM w/ effusion
- persistence of middle ear fluid is likely

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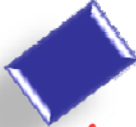



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4-year-old boy diagnosed with 4th case of otitis media in 12 months. No evidence of hearing loss or delayed language skills.





Which of the following is the best intervention?

-  A. Long-term antibiotic prophylaxis
-  B. Tympanostomy tubes
-  C. High-dose amoxicillin and ensuring he is up-to-date on pneumococcal and influenza vaccines
-  D. No antibiotic therapy is warranted

Case 8

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Best reason to defer administration of vaccines?

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Immunizations

- Barriers to routine immunization
 - contraindications
 - anaphylactic reaction to the vaccine
 - acute moderate – severe febrile illness
 - immunodeficiency, pregnancy, recent IVIG
 - encephalopathy w/in 7 days of previous DTaP
 - misconceptions regarding contraindications
 - mild acute illness, current antibiotics, etc.

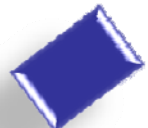



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- Special populations
 - Preterm infants
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 - Immunocompromised children
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Immunizations

- Recent changes to the routine schedule
 - 7-valent conjugated pneumococcal vaccine (PCV-7) replaced with 13-valent product (PCV-13)
 - Human papilloma virus (HPV) vaccine indicated for males 9-26 years for prevention of genital warts

Vaccine	Birth	1 mo	2 mos	4 mos	6 mos	9 mos	12 mos	15 mos	18 mos	19-23 mos	2-3 yrs	4-6 yrs	7-10 yrs	11-12 yrs	13-15 yrs	16-18 yrs
Hepatitis B ¹ (HepB)	←1 st dose→	←2 nd dose→			←3 rd dose→											
Rotavirus ² (RV) RV-1 (2-dose series); RV-5 (3-dose series)			←1 st dose→	←2 nd dose→	See footnote 2											
Diphtheria, tetanus, & acellular pertussis ³ (DTaP; <7 yrs)			←1 st dose→	←2 nd dose→	←3 rd dose→				←4 th dose→			←5 th dose→				
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Haemophilus influenzae type b ⁴ (Hib)			←1 st dose→	←2 nd dose→	See footnote 5				←3 rd or 4 th dose, see footnote 3→							
Pneumococcal conjugate ^{6a} (PCV13)			←1 st dose→	←2 nd dose→	←3 rd dose→				←4 th dose→							
Pneumococcal polysaccharide ^{6b} (PPSV23)																
Inactivated Poliovirus ⁷ (IPV) (<18 years)			←1 st dose→	←2 nd dose→	←3 rd dose→						←4 th dose→					
Influenza ⁸ (IV; LAIV) 2 doses for some - see footnote 8					Annual vaccination (IIV only)						Annual vaccination (IIV or LAIV)					
Measles, mumps, rubella ⁹ (MMR)								←1 st dose→				←2 nd dose→				
Varicella ¹⁰ (VAR)								←1 st dose→				←2 nd dose→				
Hepatitis A ¹¹ (HepA)								←2-dose series, see footnote 11→								
Human papillomavirus ¹² (HPV2: females only; HPV4: males and females)															(3-dose series)	
Meningococcal ¹³ (HibMenCY ≥ 6 weeks; MCV4-D ₂ ≥ 9 mos; MCV4-CRM ≥ 2 yrs.)			see footnote 13											←1 st dose→		booster





Range of recommended ages for all children
 Range of recommended ages for catch-up immunization
 Range of recommended ages for certain high-risk groups
 Range of recommended ages during which catch-up is encouraged and for certain high-risk groups
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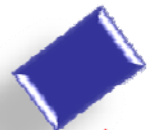
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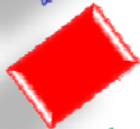
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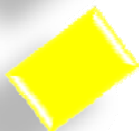
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Pediatric Seizures

Seizure type	Drugs of Choice	Alternatives
Partial	VPA, CBZ, PHT	PB, Gabapentin, Lamotrigine, Tiagabine, Topiramate, Oxcarbazepine, Zonisamide, Levetiracetam
Generalized		
Tonic-clonic	VPA, CBZ, PHT	Lamotrigine, Topiramate, Zonisamide, Levetiracetam
Myoclonic	VPA	Topiramate, Zonisamide, Levetiracetam
Absence	Ethosuximide, VPA	Lamotrigine, Zonisamide, Levetiracetam
Lennox-Gastaut	VPA, Topiramate, Lamotrigine	Felbamate, Zonisamide
Infantile spasms	ACTH	Lamotrigine, tiagabine, topiramate, VPA, zonisamide

Pediatric Seizures

Rash

- Carbamazepine
- Oxcarbazepine
- Lamotrigine
- Phenytoin
- Phenobarbital
- Zonisamide

Menstrual irregularities

- Valproic acid

Weight gain

- Valproic acid
- Gabapentin

Weight loss

- Topiramate
- Zonisamide

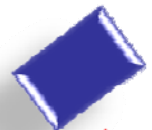
Cognitive/CNS effects

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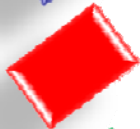
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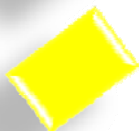
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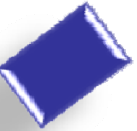

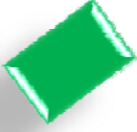
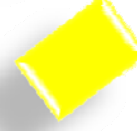


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Case 11

9-year-old boy is newly diagnosed with ADHD symptoms at home and school.

Best recommendation for initial drug regimen?

-  A. Methylphenidate OROS (Concerta[®]) once daily
-  B. Methylphenidate IR (Ritalin[®]) twice daily given four hours apart
-  C. Guanfacine at bedtime
-  D. D-methylphenidate (Focalin[®]) twice daily given four hours apart

Drug Therapy for ADHD

- Stimulants
 - Methylphenidate-containing products
 - Amphetamine-containing products
- Non-stimulants

Drug Therapy for ADHD

- Methylphenidate-containing products
 - duration of effect
 - short = Ritalin and Focalin
 - intermediate = Metadate ER and Ritalin SR
 - long = Concerta, Metadate CD, Ritalin LA
 - side effects
 - insomnia, loss of appetite, headache, may exacerbate tics

Drug Therapy for ADHD

- Amphetamine-containing products
 - duration of effect
 - Adderall vs. Adderall XR
 - side effects
 - insomnia, loss of appetite, nervousness, exacerbation of hypertension and tics
 - potential association with sudden cardiac death

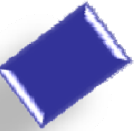

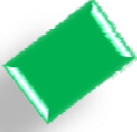
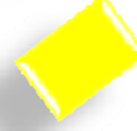
Drug Therapy for ADHD

- Non-stimulant medications
 - Atomoxetine (Strattera)
 - potential association with severe liver injury
 - does not exacerbate tics
 - Clonidine
 - more effective for hyperactivity than inattention
 - lessens the severity of tics
 - sedation
 - Guanfacine
 - ↓ sedation and ↑ duration than clonidine

Case 11

9-year-old boy is newly diagnosed with ADHD symptoms at home and school.





Best recommendation for initial drug regimen?

-  A. Methylphenidate OROS (Concerta[®]) once daily
-  B. Methylphenidate IR (Ritalin[®]) twice daily given four hours apart
-  C. Guanfacine at bedtime
-  D. D-methylphenidate (Focalin[®]) twice daily given four hours apart

Case 12

The patient is started on methylphenidate OROS (Concerta®); symptoms well-controlled, but complaining of insomnia.

Best modification to treatment regimen?

-  A. Administer Concerta later in day
-  B. Change to methylphenidate modified release (Metadate CD) once a day.
-  C. Change to methylphenidate patch
-  D. Change to atomoxetine at bedtime

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Patient Case 1

NH is an 85 yo woman in a nursing facility.

- Type 2 DM, HTN, moderate dementia due to CVA, s/p hip fracture.
- Glyburide 10 mg/d, lisinopril 10 mg/d, metformin 500 mg BID, donepezil 10 mg/d, aspirin 81 mg/d, MVI, zolpidem 5 mg QHS PRN, Meclizine 12.5 mg TID PRN, bowel regimen

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Patient Case # 1cont.

Which functional assessment is most important to evaluate?



A. IADLS



B. Depression



C. Gait and balance



D. Pressure sores

Patient Case # 2

Labs for NH include fasting glucose 90 mg/dL, sodium 138 mEq/L, potassium 4.5 mEq/L, chloride 102 mEq/L, CO₂ 25 mEq/L, blood urea nitrogen 30 mg/dL, SCr 1.8 mg/dL, and TSH 4.0 mU/L. **Which pharmacokinetic parameter is most likely to be changed in N.H.?**



A. Oral absorption



B. Distribution



C. Metabolism



D. Renal excretion

Physiologic Changes in the Elderly Pearls



- Absorption from transdermal patches may be reduced if insufficient subcutaneous fat
 - Distribution may be increased for highly protein-bound meds
 - Metabolism impacts benzodiazepine choices
 - Elimination is not just about Serum Creatinine
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Patient Case # 3

Based on your assessment of age- and disease-related changes in N.H., which is best to address first?



A. Diabetes management



B. Alzheimer disease treatment



C. Hypertension treatment



D. Stroke prevention

N.H. meds



- Glyburide 10 mg/day
 - Lisinopril 10 mg/day
 - Metformin 500 mg BID
 - Donepezil 10 mg/day
 - Aspirin 81 mg/day
 - MVI
-

Patient Case # 4

**To maintain and improve function in N.H.,
which intervention is best to implement?**



A. Add a calcium and vitamin D supplement



B. Add simvastatin 10 mg/day



C. Add warfarin



**D. Assess for incontinence and treat with
anticholinergic agents**

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Common Drug Related Problems in Elderly



- Overuse
 - Underuse
 - ACE inhibitors in CHF, anticoagulation in A fib, drug therapy post MI, untreated depression
 - Medication Adherence
 - Intentional nonadherence related to perceived overmedication, ADRs, cost
 - Use of inappropriate medications
 - Adverse drug events
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Patient Case # 5

An 85-year-old woman seen for dementia. MMSE is 24/30.

PMH: Parkinson disease, hypothyroidism, and OA. Independent in ADLs.

Meds: carbidopa/levodopa CR, trihexyphenidyl, celecoxib, levothyroxine, docusate, and bisacodyl.

Which medication change is best to consider first?



A. Add donepezil 5 mg/day.



B. Slow dosage reduction of carbidopa/levodopa.



C. Slow dosage reduction and discontinue trihexyphenidyl.



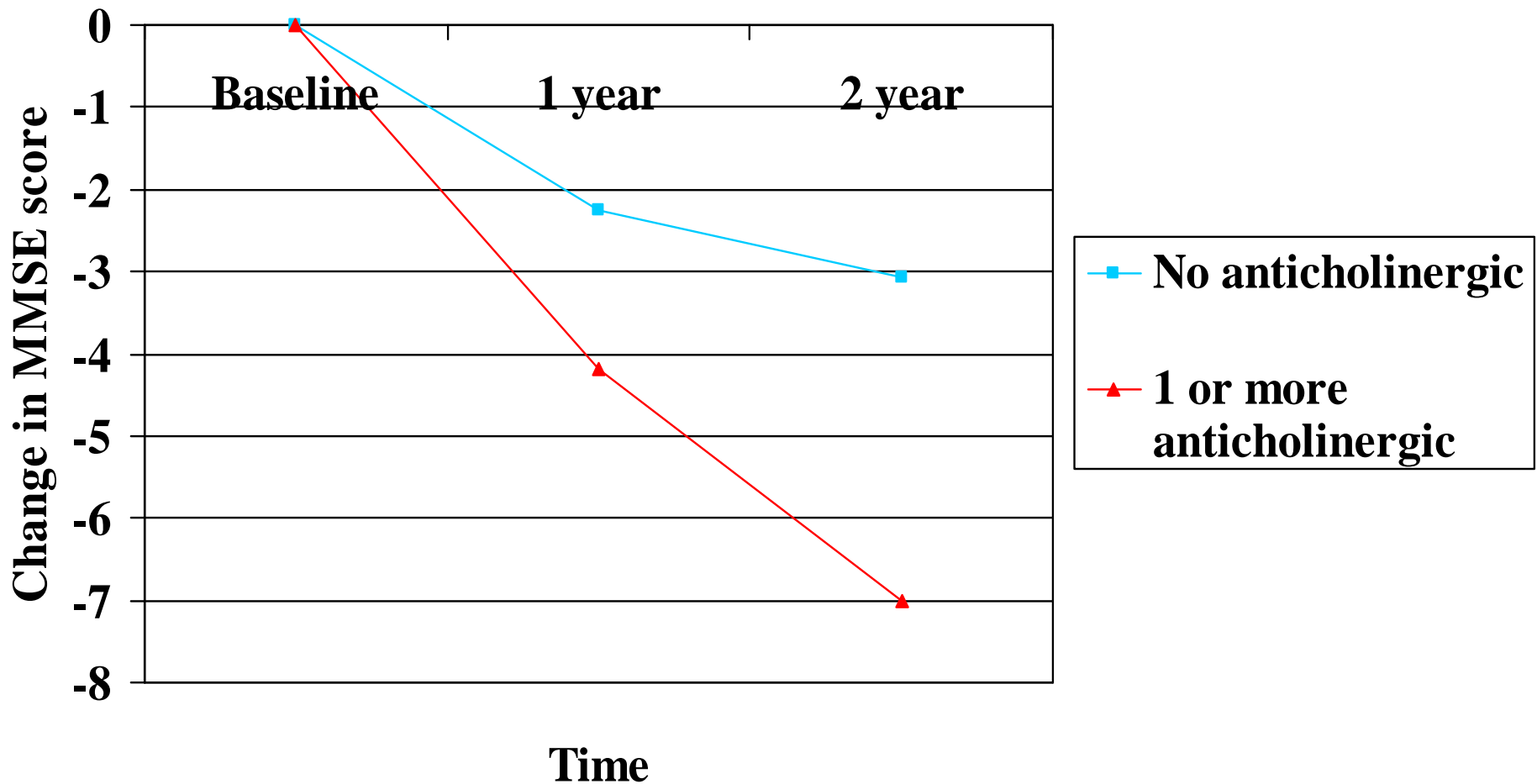
D. Replace celecoxib with acetaminophen.

Potentially Inappropriate Medications



- Common offenders
 - ❑ Diphenhydramine
 - ❑ Long Acting Benzos (Diazepam, Chlordiazepoxide)
 - ❑ Skeletal Muscle Relaxants
 - ❑ Amitriptyline, Doxepin, Imipramine
 - ❑ GI antispasmodics and other anticholinergics
 - ❑ Indomethacin, Piroxicam
 - ❑ Promethazine
 - ❑ Butalbital compounds
 - ❑ Z-drugs (zolpidem, zalepolon, eszopiclone)
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Change in MMSE scores over time for pts receiving AChEIs



Treating Adverse Effects with New Med



- Watch for prescribing cascade:
 - Metoclopramide → Parkinsonian sx's → Levodopa
 - Donepezil → Incontinence → Oxybutynin
 - Diphenhydramine → Urinary Retention → Terazosin
 - Dihydropyridine CCB → Edema → Furosemide

Patient Case # 6

An 87-year-old man with Alzheimer disease is on rivastigmine 6 mg 2 times/day. His family notes improvement in his functional ability but reports that he is experiencing nausea and vomiting that seem related to rivastigmine.

Which is the best recommendation at this time?



A. Advise the patient to take his drug with an antacid.



B. Add prochlorperazine 25 mg by rectal suppository with each rivastigmine dose.



C. Discontinue rivastigmine and initiate memantine 5 mg twice daily.



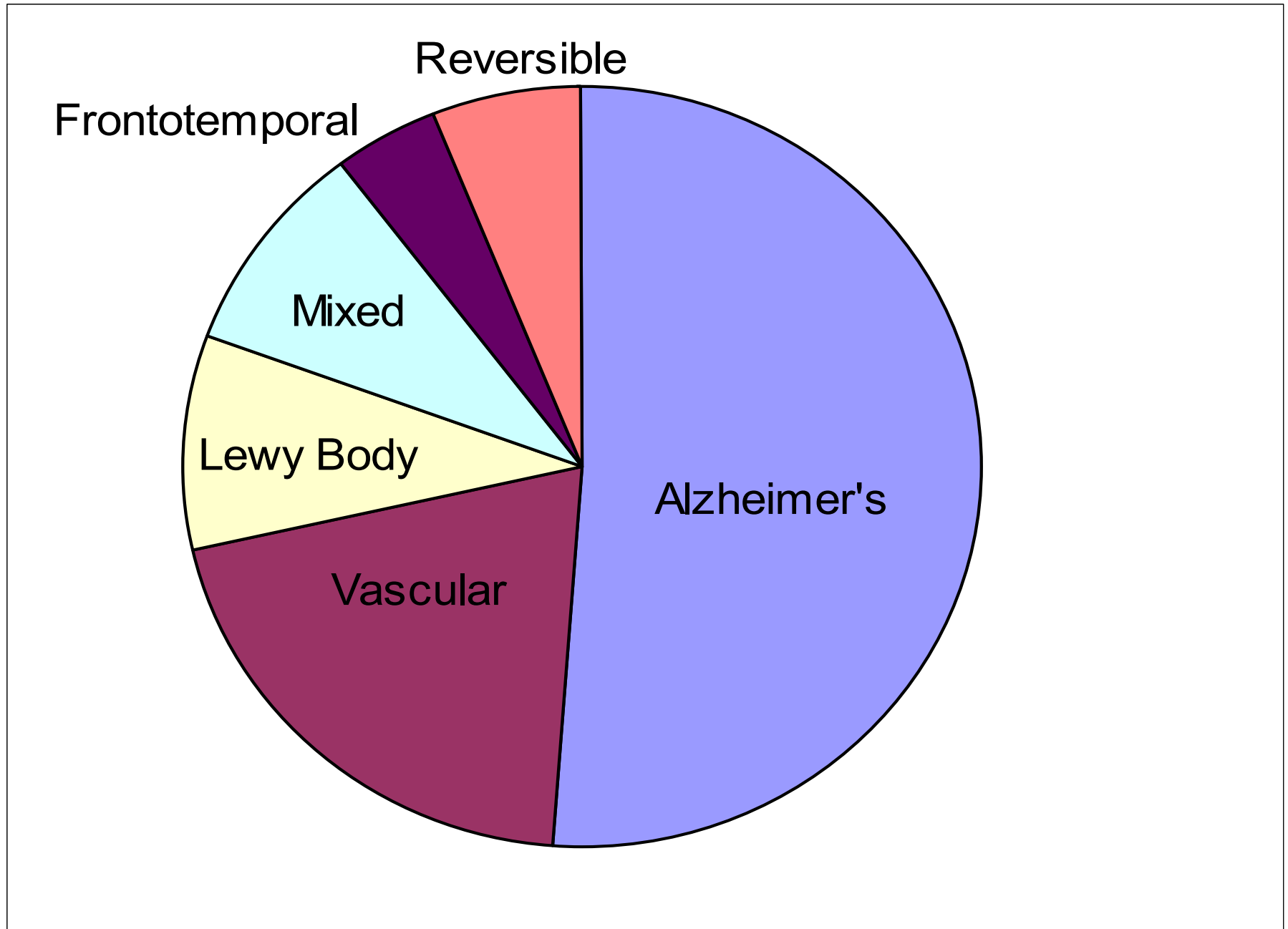
D. Change rivastigmine to the daily patch that delivers 9.5 mg/day.

Symptoms of Dementia



- Functional disability
 - Cognitive impairments
 - Behavioral and psychological symptoms
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Prevalence of Types of Dementia



Differentiating Dementias

<u>Diagnosis</u>	<u>Key Symptoms</u>
Dementia with Lewy bodies	Visual hallucinations, Parkinsonian sx, fluctuating alertness
Vascular Dementia	Acute onset, stepwise deterioration, focal neurologic signs
Alzheimer's Disease	Slow onset, progressive decline

Delirium



- **Disturbance of consciousness and difficulty with attention**
- **Change in cognition (eg, memory deficit, disorientation, language disturbance, perceptual disturbance)**
- **The disturbance develops over a short period (usually hours to days) and tends to fluctuate during the course of the day.**
- **Evidence from the history, physical examination, or laboratory findings is present that indicates the disturbance is caused by a direct physiologic consequence of a general medical condition, an intoxicating substance, medication use, or more than one cause.**

Therapy for Dementia



- Acetylcholinesterase Inhibitors
 - Donepezil
 - Galantamine
 - Rivastigmine
 - Memantine
 - Efficacy and Safety Pearls
-

GI effects from AChEIs







	Donepezil	Galantamine	Rivastigmine po	Rivastigmine patch
Nausea	19%	24%	47%	7%
Vomiting	8%	13%	31%	6%
Diarrhea	15%	12%	19%	6%

Patient Case # 7

RA is 75 yo woman with Alzheimer disease on donepezil 10 mg/day for 3 years. MMSE 21/30→ 17/30. RA is at home with husband- can't do IADLs but can do ADLs with cueing .

Which is the next best course of action?

-  **A. Change her treatment from donepezil to rivastigmine.**
-  **B. Stop donepezil.**
-  **C. Add memantine 5 mg/day.**
-  **D. Add vitamin E 400 units 2 times/day.**

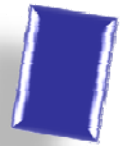
Evaluating Efficacy



- Evaluate patient in 3-6 months to determine need for continued treatment
 - Utilize caregiver reports, MMSE/SLUMS, and/or ADLs
 - No change or mild improvement at 6 months → continue treatment
 - Continued decline on therapy → consider discontinuation or changing medication
 - 4 points/year is average decline without treatment
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Patient Case # 8

87-yo woman in dementia unit. PMH: AD, PD, OA, requiring total assistance with bathing and dressing and help with feeding. Meds: donepezil 10 mg/day, memantine 10 mg 2 times/day, carbidopa/levodopa 25/100 mg 4 times/day, oxybutynin extended release 5 mg/day, and MVI. MMSE score is 5/30, and GDS is 4/15. Patient crying out “Help me, help me.” Which one of the following additional assessment tools is most necessary in assessing this patient?



A. Brief Psychiatric Rating Scale



B. Functional Assessment Staging



C. An evaluation of incontinence



D. Framingham Risk Assessment

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Patient Case # 9

87-yo woman in dementia unit. PMH: AD, PD, OA, requiring total assistance with bathing and dressing and help with feeding. Meds: donepezil 10 mg/day, memantine 10 mg 2 times/day, carbidopa/levodopa 25/100 mg 4 times/day, oxybutynin extended release 5 mg/day, and MVI. MMSE score is 5/30, and GDS is 4/15.

Which one of the following changes would be best to reduce inappropriate medications?



A. Change carbidopa/levodopa to a continuous release formulation.



B. Discontinue oxybutynin



C. Discontinue memantine



D. Reduce dose of donepezil

Patient Case # 10

This same patient (MMSE 5/30, GDS 4/15) is medically assessed, and reversible causes of her hyper-vocalization are ruled out. **Which one of the following represents the best approach to treating her behavioral symptoms?**



A. Implement a behavioral approach



B. Add valproic acid



C. Add quetiapine



D. Add citalopram

General Approach to Behaviors in Dementia



- Define target agitated behavior
- Consider contributing causes
- Address ALL causes
- Non-pharmacologic measures
- Pharmacologic interventions

Examples of Non-pharmacologic Interventions



Behavior	Causes	Management
Agitation	Discomfort, pain	Assess/manage pain, constipation, infection
	Physical illness (UTI)	Evaluate medically, treat
	Overstimulation-noise, TV, people, etc	Reduce noise, stress; limit TV, crowding
Paranoia	Forgot where placed object	Offer to help find; have more than one of same object
	Misinterpreting actions or words	Do not argue or try to reason, do not take personally, distract
	Change in environment	Familiarize, reassure, set routine
Insomnia	Depression	Treat with antidepressant
	Less need for sleep	Later bedtime, more exercise

When should we consider pharmacologic treatment of BPSD?



- Behavior is dangerous, distressing, damaging to social relationships and persistent

AND

- Has not responded to comprehensive non-pharmacologic treatment plan, including removal of possibly offending drugs

OR

- Requires emergency treatment to allow proper investigation of underlying problems

Pharmacologic Treatment



- Cochrane review suggests best evidence is with risperidone and olanzapine for psychosis and aggression
- Start at low doses
- Use quetiapine if patient has comorbid Parkinson's disease or Lewy Body Dementia
- Use for shortest duration possible
- Adverse effects include increased mortality; recent cohort study* suggests worse with haloperidol, less with quetiapine





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Patient Case #11

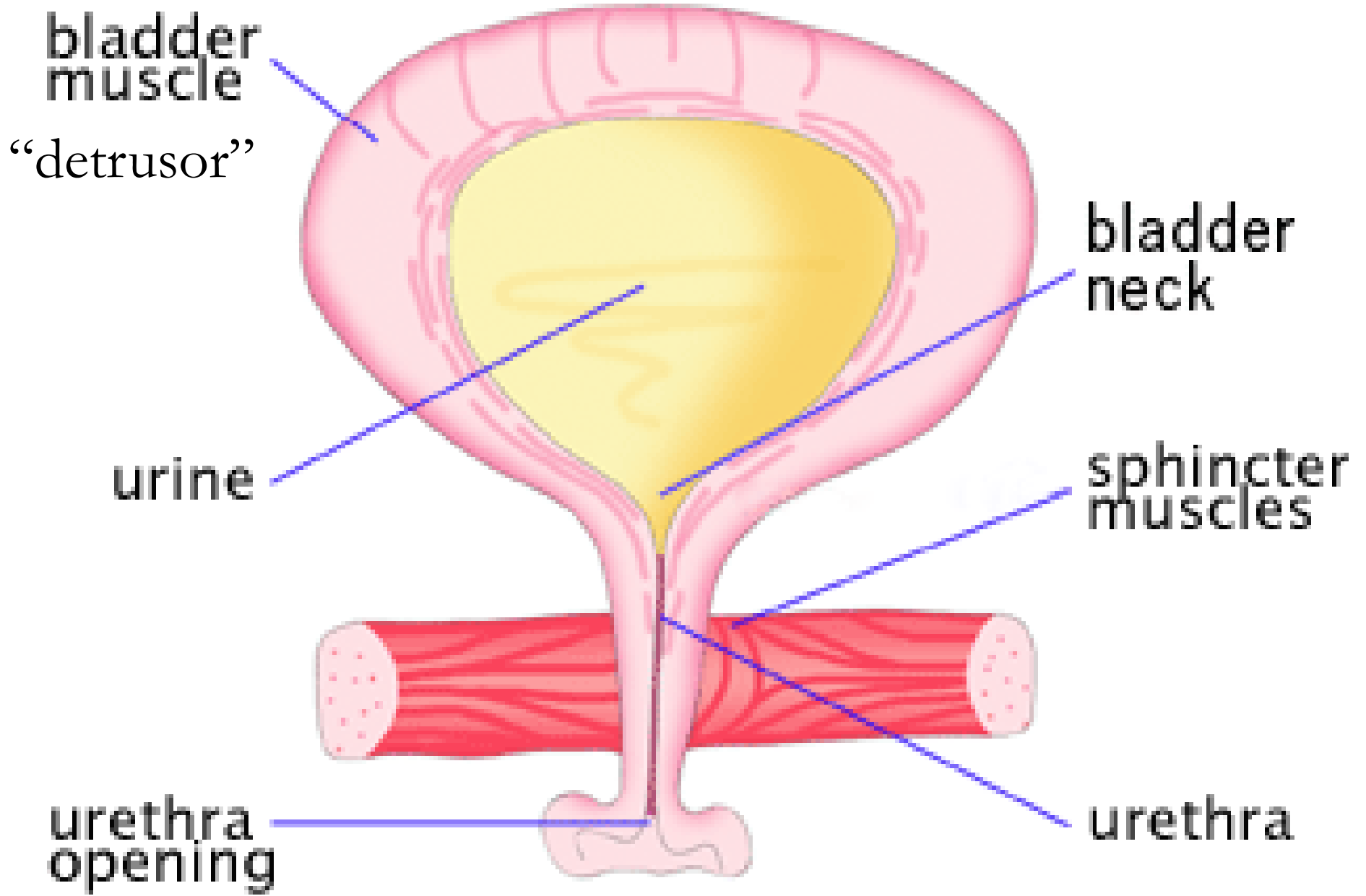
A 75-year-old woman reports urinary urgency, frequency, and loss of urine when she cannot make it to the bathroom in time. She wears a pad at night that she changes 2 or 3 times. PMH: Alzheimer disease (MMSE 23), osteoarthritis, and hypothyroidism.

UA negative, exam WNL, PVR normal.

Which of the following interventions would be best?

-  **A. Bethanechol**
-  **B. Pelvic floor muscle exercises plus estrogen vaginal cream**
-  **C. Darifenacin**
-  **D. Oxybutynin**

Bladder and Sphincter Muscles



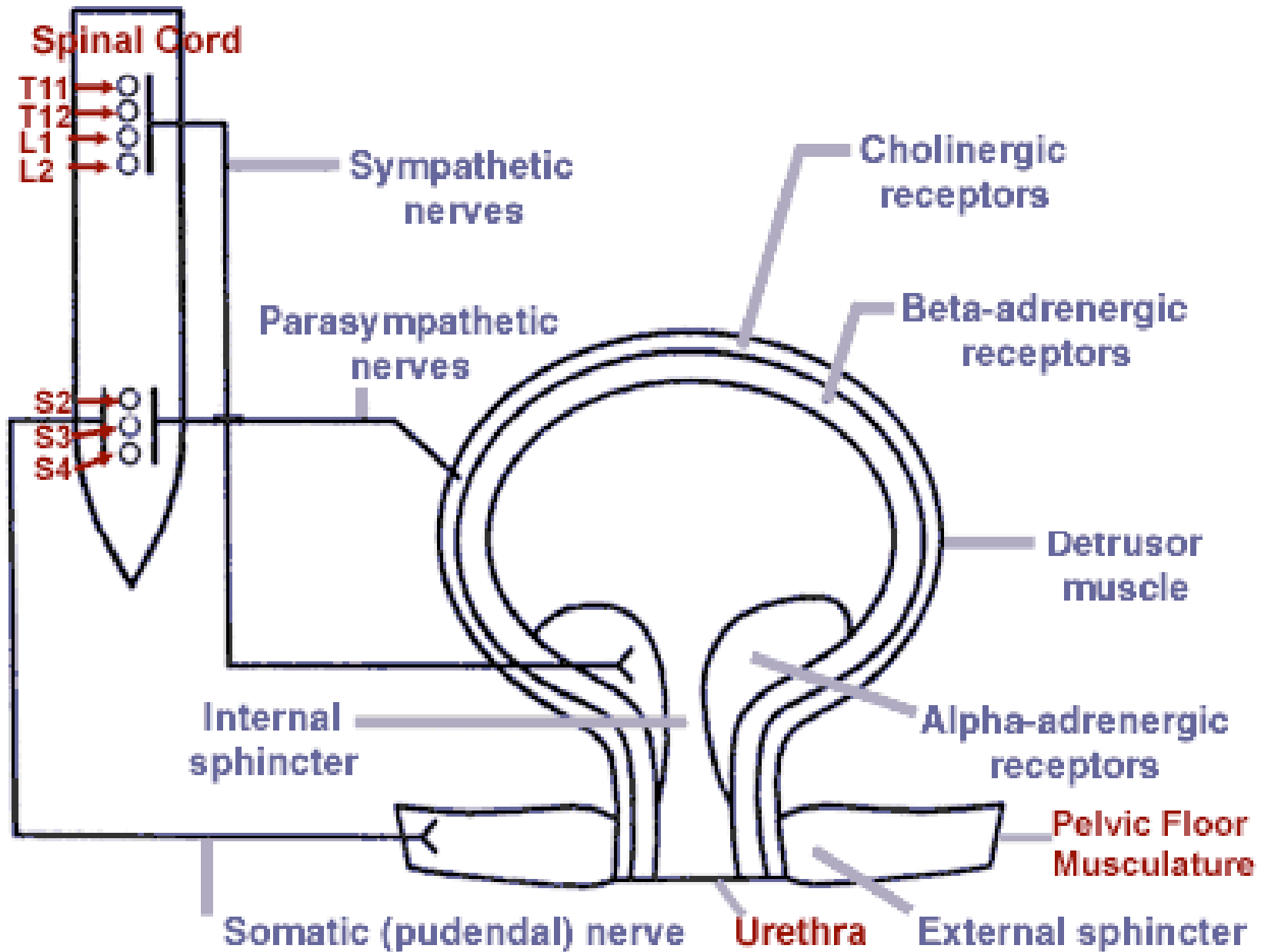
Normal Urination



- STORAGE - under sympathetic control
 - inhibition of detrusor contraction
 - increase sphincter contraction

 - URINATION - under parasympathetic control
 - induces detrusor contraction
 - induces sphincter relaxation

 - Urethral sphincter:
 - proximal smooth muscle contracts via sympathetic stimulation
 - distal urethral striated muscle via cholinergic stimulation
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Spinal Cord

T11
T12
L1
L2

Sympathetic
nerves

Cholinergic
receptors

Parasympathetic
nerves

Beta-adrenergic
receptors

S2
S3
S4

Detrusor
muscle

Internal
sphincter

Alpha-adrenergic
receptors

**Pelvic Floor
Musculature**

Somatic (pudendal) nerve

Urethra

External sphincter

Types of Urinary Incontinence

- **Functional**
- **Urge (Bladder overactivity)**
- **Stress (Urethral underactivity)**
- **Overflow (Urethral overactivity/Bladder underactivity)**
- **Mixed**

Nonpharmacologic Interventions



- Pelvic floor exercises (Kegel exercises)
 - Bladder training
 - Biofeedback
 - Scheduled/Timed Voiding
 - Avoid aspartame, spicy/citrus foods, caffeine, carbonated beverages
 - Pessaries/bladder neck support prostheses
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Treatment of UI



■ Functional

- ❑ Assist with functional disabilities
- ❑ Scheduled bathroom visits
- ❑ Bedside commode
- ❑ Stop precipitating drugs

■ Urge

- ❑ Nonpharmacologic interventions
 - ❑ Anticholinergics (generally equivalent efficacy)
 - ❑ Beta 3 agonist (Mirabegron)
-

Anticholinergic Adverse Effects



Drug	Dry mouth %	Constipation %	Dizziness%
Oxybutynin	88	32	38
Oxy ER/XL	68	9	11
Oxy TDS	10	5	4
Oxy gel	8	1	3
Tolterodine	50, 39	10, 10	4, 3
Fesoterodine	99	14	2
Trospium	33	11	?
Solifenacin	34	19	1
Darifenacin	59	28	0

Miragebron



- Beta-3 receptor activation relaxes detrusor smooth muscle during the storage phase
 - End result: Increased bladder capacity
- No efficacy benefit over antimuscarinics but low anticholinergic effects
- Dose-related activity on beta-1 receptors lead to CV side effects
- In clinical trials: Solabegron

Treatment of UI



■ Stress

- Kegel exercises, pessaries, surgery
- Consider stopping precipitating medications
 - Alpha-1 blockers, methyldopa, ACE inhibitors
- Vaginal estrogens?
- Alpha agonists?
- Duloxetine?

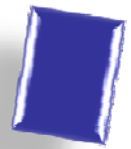
■ Overflow

- Consider stopping precipitating medications
 - Alpha agonists, beta-blockers, TCAs, anticholinergics, CCBs, diuretics, muscle relaxants
- Treatment of BPH
- Cholinergic stimulation?

Patient Case #12

A.W. is an 85-year-old man who presents to his physician with LUTS. A digital rectal examination confirms the diagnosis of BPH. Ultrasound shows prostate volume is 31 g. A.W.'s score on the AUASI is 15. His BP is 118/70 sitting, 102/62 standing.

Which of the following interventions would be best?



A. Terazosin



B. Finasteride



C. Tamsulosin

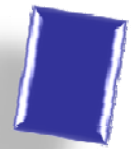


D. Finasteride plus tamsulosin

- Alpha Blockers
- Alpha Reductase Inhibitors
- Combination Therapy
 - May be needed in men with LUTS, a larger prostate size (>40g), and an elevated PSA

Patient Case #13

WF is an 85-year-old man with pain from hip OA. He also has hypertension, coronary artery disease, and BPH. For his OA, W.F. has been taking acetaminophen 650 mg 3 times/day. W.F. reports that acetaminophen helps, but he still experiences pain that limits his ability to walk. **Which of the following interventions would be best?**



A. Change the analgesic to celecoxib



B. Add hydrocodone



C. Change the analgesic to ibuprofen



D. Add glucosamine

Osteoarthritis







- Nonpharmacologic Treatment
 - Acetaminophen dosing
 - NSAIDs vs Opioids
 - Preventing adverse effects
 - Glucosamine
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Patient Case #14

F.A. is a 55 yo woman with RA. Diagnosed 1 year ago, she began therapy with methotrexate, and she is presently receiving 15 mg every week, folic acid 2 mg/day, ibuprofen 800 mg 3 times/day, and omeprazole 20 mg/day. Today F.A. reports a recurrence of her symptoms. Radiographic evaluation of her hand joints shows progression of joint space narrowing and bone erosion.

Which of the following interventions would be best?

-  **A. Administer etanercept**
-  **B. Switch to hydroxychloroquine**
-  **C. Add prednisone bridge therapy**
-  **D. Change to leflunomide**

Rheumatoid Arthritis



- DMARDs first line
 - MTX
 - Hydroxychloroquine
 - Sulfasalazine
 - Leflunomide
 - Biologic Treatments
 - NSAIDs and Corticosteroids
 - Short term
 - No effect on disease progression
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Questions



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Learning Objectives

1. Review and apply national guideline treatment strategies for the following gastrointestinal (GI) disorders: gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD), peptic ulcer disease (PUD), ulcerative colitis, Crohn's disease, viral hepatitis, chronic liver disease, upper GI bleeding, constipation, diarrhea, irritable bowel syndrome (IBS), nausea, vomiting, pancreatitis, prevention of stress related mucosal disease (SRMD).
 2. Recommend appropriate pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic interventions for the treatment of GERD.
 3. Differentiate between clinical signs, symptoms, risk factors, and treatment of both *Helicobacter pylori* and nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID)-associated PUD.
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Learning Objectives

4. Discuss the role of pharmacologic intervention in the treatment of nonvariceal upper GI bleeding.
 5. Review the clinical differences in signs, symptoms, and treatment of Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis.
 6. Identify the common manifestations of chronic liver disease and their treatment.
 7. Review the treatment of both acute and chronic viral hepatitis.
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Learning Objectives

8. Recognize pertinent information for educating patients and prescribers regarding the appropriate use of pharmacologic agents for various GI disorders.
 9. Recommend appropriate pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic interventions for diarrhea and constipation.
 10. Review recommendations for the treatment and prevention of nausea and vomiting.
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Learning Objectives

11. Discuss the clinical and treatment differences between acute and chronic pancreatitis.
 12. Discuss the role of pharmacologic intervention in the treatment of IBS.
 13. Understand commonly encountered statistical tests and concepts using GI disorders as examples.
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Patient Case # 1

- **HPI:** 55 year old man with 8 month history of GERD symptoms 4-5 days/week. Prescriber wishes to initiate esomeprazole 20 mg/day.
- **PMH:** GERD, MI, HF, Hypothyroidism
- **MEDS:** Ranitidine + Calcium Carbonate, Metoprolol, Furosemide, Lisinopril, Aspirin

Patient Case # 1

- Which one of the following baseline tests is best to perform in this patient today before initiating his esomeprazole therapy?
 - A. Peripheral bone mineral density screening.
 - B. Serum magnesium.
 - C. Serum potassium.
 - D. Chest radiograph.

Treatment of GERD

- Nonpharmacologic/Lifestyle modifications
 - Targeted
 - Antacids
 - Acid suppression (as needed or scheduled)
 - Proton Pump Inhibitors
 - Histamine-2 Receptor Antagonists
 - Proton Pump Inhibitors
 - Promotility Agents
 - Proper patient education
 - Surgical intervention
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PPI Safety Concerns

Adverse Effect	Prevention and Management
Risk of Fracture (Hip, wrist, spine)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Re-evaluate need• Limit dose and duration• Ensuring adequate Calcium and Vitamin D• BMD screening if at risk for low bone mass• Weight bearing Exercise
Hypomagnesemia	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Re-evaluate need• Limit dose and duration• Consider baseline testing (diuretics, digoxin)• Supplementation
<i>Clostridium difficile</i> associated diarrhea	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Re-evaluate need• Limit dose and duration• Evaluate for <i>C. difficile</i> if patient receiving PPI has diarrhea that is not improving. Have patients report diarrhea.• Report cases to Medwatch

Patient Case # 2

- **HPI:** 68 year old female with heme positive stools anemia and abdominal pain. Use of OTC ketoprofen for 2 months.
- **PMH:** Type 2 DM, Peripheral neuropathy, Hypertension
- **MEDS:** metformin, aspirin, gabapentin, lisinopril
- **Diagnostics:** endoscopy reveals 1 cm gastric ulcer with an intact clot, *H. pylori* negative via CLO Test

Patient Case # 2

- Which one of the following treatments is best for this patient's ulcer?
 - A. Ranitidine 150 mg 2 times/day for 4 weeks
 - B. Lansoprazole 30 mg 2 times/day plus amoxicillin 1000 mg 2 times/day plus clarithromycin 500 mg 2 times/day for 10 days.
 - C. Lansoprazole 30 mg/day for 8 weeks
 - D. Misoprostol 200 mcg 4 times/day for 8 weeks.

Peptic Ulcer Disease (PUD)

■ Classification

- ❑ Duodenal ulcer
- ❑ Gastric ulcer

■ Etiologies

- ❑ *Helicobacter pylori* (carcinogen)
- ❑ NSAIDs

■ Symptoms

- ❑ Epigastric pain, nausea, anorexia, belching
 - ❑ May be temporally related to food intake
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NSAID Associated PUD

- NSAIDs have topical and systemic adverse GI effects
 - COX-2 vs. COX-1 effects
 - Risk Factors
 - Age >60, History of PUD +/- complications
 - Corticosteroids, anticoagulants, low dose aspirin
 - Contributing factors
 - *H. pylori*, Smoking, CVD, RA, SSRIs
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Management of NSAID-Associated PUD

- Remove and reevaluate need for NSAID and/or aspirin
 - Test for *H. pylori* and treat if positive
 - Acid suppression
 - PPI for 8-12 weeks
 - Misoprostol
 - COX-2 Inhibitors
 - Cardiovascular risks
 - Use with aspirin
-

Patient Case #3

- **HPI:** 42 year old male with sharp epigastric pain for 6 weeks. Pain is worse with eating and is present approximately 5 days per week. Some relief with OTC antacids.
- **MEDS:** antacids as needed
- **Allergies:** Penicillin (severe rash)
- **UBT for *H. pylori* is positive**

Patient Case #3

- Which one of the following treatments for *H. pylori* is best?
 - A. Amoxicillin, clarithromycin, omeprazole for 10 days
 - B. Cephalexin, clarithromycin, omeprazole for 10 days
 - C. Bismuth, tetracycline, metronidazole, omeprazole for 14 days
 - D. Levofloxacin, metronidazole, omeprazole for 10 days

Diagnosis of *H. pylori*

- Invasive testing (endoscopic)
 - Histology
 - Rapid urease (affected by antisecretory agents)
 - Culture

 - Non-invasive testing
 - Serologic (IgG)
 - Urea breath test (affected by antisecretory agents)
 - Fecal antigen (affected by antisecretory agents)
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Treatment of *H. pylori*

■ Triple therapy

- ❑ PPI + amoxicillin or metronidazole + clarithromycin
- ❑ 10-14 days of treatment (14 preferred)
- ❑ Efficacy affected by previous macrolide exposure

■ Quadruple Therapy

- ❑ PPI + Bismuth + Metronidazole + Tetracycline
 - ❑ 1st line, PCN allergy, previous macrolide exposure, failure of triple therapy
 - ❑ 10-14 days of treatment
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Patient Case #4

- **HPI:** 35 year old male with ulcerative colitis (pancolitis). Experiences 5-6 bloody bowel movements per day when prednisone is reduced to less than 40mg/day.
- **MEDS:** Balsalazide 6.75 g/day x 2 years, prednisone 40 mg/day x 1 year

Patient Case #4

- What would be an appropriate modification of his drug regimen at this time?
 - A. Change balsalazide to sulfasalazine 6g/day
 - B. Initiate therapy with methotrexate IM weekly
 - C. Initiate infliximab and taper prednisone
 - D. Add mesalamine suppository daily

Clinical Findings	Ulcerative Colitis	Crohn's Disease
Bowel Involvement	Rectum/Colon	Mouth to Anus
Perianal Involvement	No	Yes
Depth	Superficial	Submucosa/deeper
Pattern of inflammation	Continuous	Patchy
Histology	Crypt abscesses	Granulomas
Fistula, perforation, or Strictures	No	Yes
Toxic megacolon	Yes	No
Colorectal cancer	Yes	Uncommon
Malnutrition	Rare	Yes
Pseudopolyps	Common	Fairly Common

Drug Treatment Options

■ 5-Aminosalicylates

- ❑ Sulfasalazine
- ❑ Mesalamine
- ❑ Olsalazine
- ❑ Balsalazide

■ Antibiotics

- ❑ Metronidazole
- ❑ Ciprofloxacin

■ Corticosteroids

■ Immunomodulators

- ❑ Azathioprine
- ❑ 6-Mercaptopurine
- ❑ Methotrexate
- ❑ Cyclosporine
- ❑ Tacrolimus

■ Biologics

- ❑ Infliximab
- ❑ Adalimumab
- ❑ Certolizumab
- ❑ Natalizumab

Approach to the Treatment of IBD

1. Identify disease: UC vs. CD
 2. Severity: Active (mild to fulminant) or remission
 3. Determine extent and location of disease
 4. Pick drug(s) based on
 - ❑ Onset of action
 - ❑ Formulation (Oral, Topical, Parenteral)
 - ❑ Effectiveness
 - ❑ Potential adverse effects or contraindications
-

IBD Treatment Guidelines

Severity	UC	Crohn's
Mild-Moderate	Aminosalicylate	Aminosalicylate or Budesonide (ileal)
Moderate to Severe	Infliximab OR Azathioprine/6-MP +/- Corticosteroid (short-term)	TNF- α inhibitor OR Azathioprine/6-MP OR Methotrexate +/- Corticosteroid (short-term) Natalizumab (last line)

Key Safety Concerns in IBD

Drug(s)	Adverse Effects
TNF-alpha antagonists	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Risk of infection (screen for TB and Viral hepatitis)• Risk of Heart Failure and/or exacerbation• Hepatosplenic T-cell lymphoma when used with azathioprine or 6-MP in young male patients• Antibody formation
Antimotility agents	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Risk of toxic megacolon in active disease
Azathioprine/6MP	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bone marrow suppression, pancreatitis, hypersensitivity• Need to check TPMT activity
Methotrexate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bone marrow suppression, pulmonary and hepatic toxicity
Corticosteroids	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adrenal suppression, metabolic effects, infection
Natalizumab	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy

Patient Case #5

- **HPI:** 25 year old woman with Crohn's disease. Presents with a 2 day history of crampy abdominal pain, fever, fatigue, and 10-12 bloody stools per day.
- **MEDS:** Pentasa 250mg #4 caps 2 times/day
- **PMH:** Crohn's Disease x 5 years
- **Vitals:** Temp 101F, HR=110, RR=18, BP = 118/68

Patient Case #5

- Which of the following therapeutic choices is best?



Increase dose of Pentasa to 4 grams/day



Cyclosporine 4 mg/hr continuous infusion



Surgery consult for immediate colectomy



Hydrocortisone 100 mg IV q 8 hours

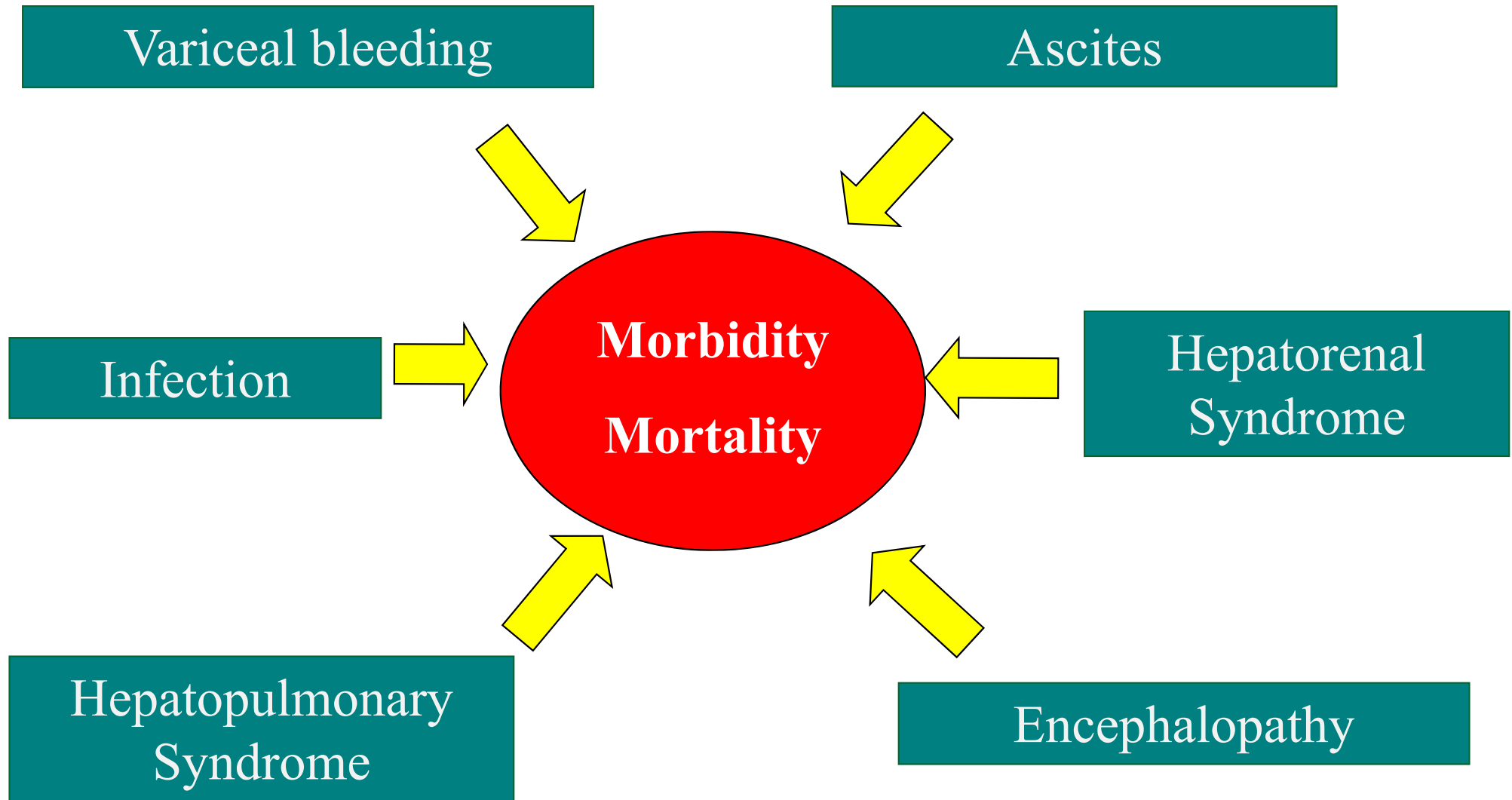
Patient Case #6

- **HPI:** 47 year old woman with nausea, abdominal pain, fever. Abdominal distention with tenderness and shifting dullness.
- **PMH:** Cirrhosis (Class C)
- **MEDS:** Furosemide, spironolactone
- **Diagnostics:** Paracentesis (albumin 0.9 g/dl, WBC 1000/mm³), Scr 1.2 mg/dl, BUN 37 mg/dl, AST IU/ml, ALT 20 IU/ml, Albumin 2.5 g/dl, T bili 3.2 mg/dl

Patient Case #6

- Which recommendation is best at this time for treatment of this patient's hepatic encephalopathy?
 - A. Intravenous albumin
 - B. Intravenous vancomycin plus tobramycin
 - C. Intravenous cefotaxime plus albumin
 - D. Oral trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole DS daily

Complications of Cirrhosis



Spontaneous Bacterial Peritonitis

- **Definition:** Primary infection of the ascitic fluid
 - **Pathogens**
 - Enteric gram negatives
 - Streptococci
 - **Clinical features**
 - Fever, abdominal pain, AMS, vomiting
 - High risk of hepatorenal syndrome, increased mortality
 - Ascitic fluid PMN $> 250 \text{ mm}^3$
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SBP Treatment and Prevention

- Treatment: 3rd gen Cephalosporin + albumin
 - Primary Prevention
 - During setting of an acute GI bleed
 - Ascitic fluid protein < 1.5 g/dl + Scr > 1.2 mg/dl or BUN > 25 mg/dl or Na < 130 mEq/L, or CP > 9 with bilirubin > 3 mg/dl
 - Secondary Prevention: any patient with prior episode
 - Hospital: Ceftriaxone/Cefotaxime, Fluoroquinolone
 - Outpatient: TMP/SMX, Norfloxacin/ciprofloxacin
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Patient Case #7

- **HPI:** 36 year old female with 36 hours of hematemesis, fatigue, dizziness, black tarry stools.
- **PMH:** Cirrhosis, alcohol abuse, MI (2 years ago)
- **Diagnostics:** EGD several large esophageal varices that are banded.

Patient Case #7

- In addition to the endoscopic band ligation which of the pharmacologic interventions is best?
 - A. Nadolol 20mg orally once a day x 3 days
 - B. Vasopressin continuous infusion x 2 days
 - C. Octreotide 50 ug bolus, then 50 ug/hr for 5 days
 - D. Pantoprazole 80mg bolus, then 8mg/hr x 72 hours

Variceal Bleeding

- **Varices:** Collateral vessels formed secondary to increased resistance to blood flow within the liver
 - **Bleeding risk**
 - 25-35% of patient with cirrhosis
 - 30-50% mortality per bleed
 - **High recurrence rate**
 - ~70% within first month of bleed
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Treatment of Variceal Bleeding

- Stabilization + IV fluids
 - Endoscopic interventions
 - Sclerotherapy
 - Band ligation
 - Medical Management
 - Vasopressin + nitroglycerin
 - Octreotide x 3-5 days
 - Antibiotics (3rd Gen Ceph or Fluoroquinolone)
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Prevention of Variceal Bleeding

- Pharmacologic +/- endoscopic
 - Primary prevention
 - ❑ Small varices + high bleeding risk
 - ❑ Medium/Large varices
 - ❑ Non selective beta blockers
 - Secondary prevention
 - ❑ All patients with history of bleeding
 - ❑ Non selective beta blockers
 - ❑ Endoscopic (band ligation)
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Patient Case #8

- **HPI:** 45-year old woman with history of IVDA. Diagnosed 8 months ago with HBV. Treatment naive. No ascites or encephalopathy.
- **Diagnostics:**
 - ❑ AST 650 IU/ml, ALT 850 IU/ml
 - ❑ HBsAg (+), HBeAg (+), YMDD mutation
 - ❑ HBV DNA 107, 000 IU/ml
 - ❑ Biopsy: severe necroinflammation/bridging fibrosis

Patient Case #8

- What is the most appropriate course of action at this time?
 - A. No treatment; Recheck HBV DNA in 6 months
 - B. Initiate PEG-IFN + ribavirin
 - C. Initiate lamivudine 100 mg/day
 - D. Initiate tenofovir 300 mg/day

Hepatitis B

- DNA Virus, Genotypes A-H
 - Transmission
 - Parenteral, bodily fluids, sexual contact, perinatal
 - Detect via serologies, symptoms, LFTs
 - Patients with active disease will be HBsAg (+)
 - Treat patients with chronic disease (> 6 months)
 - > 2 x ALT, HBV DNA > 20,000 IU/ml
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Chronic Hepatitis B Treatment

- Need to distinguish if HBV:
 - is HBeAg positive or negative
 - Harbors the “YMDD mutation” of the DNA polymerase
 - Difficult patient populations
 - Decompensated liver disease
 - Co-infection
 - Treatment experienced
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Summary of HBV Treatment Recommendations

HBV Population	Preferred Treatment Options	Duration	Comments
HBeAg positive	Entecavir and tenofovir are preferred oral agents Use of the other oral reverse transcriptase inhibitors is possible but not preferred	Minimum of 1 year	Preferred if contraindications or nonresponse to $\text{INF}\alpha$
	$\text{INF}\alpha$ PEG- $\text{INF}\alpha$	16 weeks 48 weeks	If contraindication or no response, use entecavir and tenofovir
HBeAg negative	Entecavir and tenofovir are preferred oral agents Use of the other oral reverse transcriptase inhibitors is possible but not preferred	> 1 year	Preferred if contraindications or no response to $\text{INF}\alpha$
	$\text{INF}\alpha$ PEG- $\text{INF}\alpha$	≥ 1 year	If contraindication or nonresponse, use entecavir and tenofovir

Nucleoside Analog Adverse Effects

- Class effects
 - Rebound hepatitis upon discontinuation
 - GI Effects (N/V/D/Abdominal pain)
 - HIV resistance
 - Lactic Acidosis (rare)
 - Reductions in bone mineral density

 - Nephrotoxicity (adefovir)
 - Telbivudine
 - Elevations in CK
 - Peripheral neuropathy

 - Renally dose all medications
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Patient Case #9

- **HPI:** 38 year old male with chronic hepatitis C (genotype 1b) currently undergoing treatment
Evaluated at 12 week follow up appointment after starting treatment.
- **MEDS:** Pegylated interferon + ribavirin
- **NKDA**
- **LABS:**
 - ❑ AST 350 IU/ml, ALT 420 IU/ml
 - ❑ HCV RNA 850,000 IU/ml
 - ❑ SCr 1 mg/dl, Hb 12 g/dl, WBC 12×10^3

Patient Case #9

- What is the most appropriate course of action at this time?
 - A. Reassess in 12 months
 - B. Initiate tenofovir
 - C. Initiate PEG-INF and ribavirin
 - D. Initiate PEG-INF, ribavirin, and telaprevir

Hepatitis C

- RNA Virus

- Genotypes 1-6 (1-3 most common in US)

- Several subtypes

- Genotype 1 most resistant to drug treatment

- Transfusion, IV drug abuse, transplant

- Major cause of chronic liver disease

- 60-80% progression following acute infection

- #1 reason for transplant

Treatment of Chronic Hepatitis C

- First line:
 - Genotype 1 :Pegylated interferon + ribavirin + telaprevir OR boceprevir
 - Genotypes 2 and 3 :Pegylated interferon + ribavirin
 - Pegylated Interferon Dosing:
 - Pegasys: 180ug SQ Weekly
 - Peg Intron: 1-1.5 ug/kg/week SQ
 - Ribavirin orally in 2 divided doses:
 - Dose differs based on genotype, weight, and interferon product
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Direct Acting Antivirals (DAAs)

	Telapravir (Incivek®)	Boceprevir (Victrelis®)
FDA Approved indication	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chronic HCV therapy (genotype 1) in <u>combination</u> with PEG-INF alfa and ribavirin in patients with compensated liver disease• Not studied in Child-Pugh class B or C	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• chronic HCV genotype 1 infection, in combination with peginterferon alfa and ribavirin, in adult patients (≥ 18 years of age) with compensated liver disease, including cirrhosis, who are previously untreated or who have failed previous interferon and ribavirin therapy.

Direct Acting Antivirals (DAAs)

	Telaprevir (Incivek®)	Boceprevir (Victrelis®)
Dose	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 750 mg three times daily for 12 weeks plus PEG-INF <u>followed by</u> PEG-INF and ribavirin x 12 weeks if undetectable HCV RNA at week 4 and 12.• 375 mg tablets• Give doses 7-9 hours apart; give with meal that has at least 20 g fat ingested 20 minutes prior• Take missed doses if within 4 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 800 mg orally three times daily starting <u>after 4 weeks</u> of PEG-INF and ribavirin• 200 mg capsules• Give doses 7-9 hours apart; give with meal or light snack• Take missed doses if within 2 hours

DAA Safety

- Both contraindicated in pregnancy and in male partners of pregnant women
 - Telaprevir
 - Rash (up to 56%) maculopapular/eczematous
 - DRESS, Stevens Johnson Syndrome
 - Anemia, pruritis, nausea
 - Boceprevir
 - Anemia, neutropenia, fatigue, dysgeusia
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DAA Drug Interactions

- Both are potent CYP 3A4/5 inhibitors
- Several CYP3A4 substrates or inducers are contraindicated

Telaprevir	Boceprevir
Alfuzosin	Alfuzosin
Rifampin	Rifampin
Dihydroergotamine, ergonovine, ergotamine, methylergonovine	Dihydroergotamine, ergonovine, ergotamine, methylergonovine
Cisapride St. John's Wort Pimozide Tadalafil, sildenafil Oral triazolam or midazolam	Cisapride St. John's Wort Pimozide Drospironone
Atorvastatin, lovastatin, simvastatin	lovastatin, simvastatin Carbamazepine, phenytoin, phenobarbital

DAA Drug Interactions

- **May narrow therapeutic index drugs must be adjusted**
 - **Must check prescribing information**
 - Antiarrhythmics (amiodarone, fleicanide, profafenone)
 - Digoxin
 - Warafin
 - Bosentan
 - Azole antifungals
 - Colchicine
 - Clarithromycin
 - Rifabutin
 - DHP calcium channel blockers
 - Dexamethasone
 - Inhaled budesonide and fluticasone
 - Methadone
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- Cyclosporine/tacrolimus

HCV Monitoring

Parameter	Definition
Rapid Virological Response (RVR)	Negative HCV RNA at week 4 of treatment
Early Virological Response (EVR)	> 2 log decline in HCV RNA compared to baseline or negative HCV RNA at 12 weeks
End of Treatment Response (ETR)	Negative HCV RNA at the end of a 24 or 48 week course depending on genotype
Sustained Virological Response (SVR)	Negative HCV RNA 24 weeks after finishing treatment

Chronic Hepatitis C Treatment Duration

- Genotype 1:
 - It depends.....
- Genotypes 2 and 3: 24 weeks



Chronic Hepatitis C Treatment Duration

Regimen	Patient Group	HCV RNA Week 4	HCV RNA Week 8	Recommendation
PEG-INF+ Ribavirin + Boceprevir	Previously untreated	Undetectable	Undetectable	Continue all 3 drugs for 28 weeks total
		Detectable	Undetectable	1. Continue all 3 drugs for a total of 36 weeks. 2. Then continue PEG-INF and ribavirin for through week 48
	Previous partial responders or relapsers	Undetectable	Undetectable	Continue all 3 drugs for 36 weeks total
		Detectable	Undetectable	1. Continue all 3 drugs for a total of 36 weeks. 2. Then continue PEG-INF and ribavirin for through week 48
	Patients with HCV RNA > 100 IU/ml at week 12 or detectable HCV RNA at week 24	NA	NA	1. Discontinue all 3 drugs

Chronic Hepatitis C Treatment Duration

	Patient Group	HCV RNA Week 4	HCV RNA Week 12	Recommendation
PEG-INF + Ribavirin + Telaprevir	Treatment naive or prior relapse	Undetectable	Undetectable	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Continue all 3 drugs for 12 weeks Then treat with PEG-INF and ribavirin for an additional 12 weeks (24 weeks total)
		Detectable (1000 IU/ml or less)	Detectable (1000 IU/ml or less)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Continue all 3 drugs for 12 weeks Then treat with PEG-INF and ribavirin for an additional 36 weeks (48 weeks total)
	All patients	≥ 1000 IU/ml	≥ 1000 IU/ml	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Discontinue all 3 drugs at week 12
	Detectable HCV RNA at 24 weeks	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Discontinue PEG-INF and ribavirin

Patient Case #10

- **HPI:** 55 year old man with chronic alcohol abuse and chronic pancreatitis. Steatorrhea and weight loss (now 135 lb)
- **LABS:** Albumin 2.1 g/dl, Fecal fat 20g/day
- **Medications:** morphine CR, oxycodone IR as needed

Patient Case #10

- What is the best course of action for this patient?
 - A. Increase morphine CR to 60 mg twice daily
 - B. Initiate dronabinol to improve appetite
 - C. Initiate pancrelipase 30,000 units/meal
 - D. Add a multivitamin to his regimen

Overview

Pancreatitis

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Acute

- Mild-Severe Inflammation
- Generally reversible exocrine and/or endocrine function
- Rarely progresses to chronic
- Pain, N/V, sepsis, organ dysfunction

Chronic

- Longstanding pancreatic injury
- Fibrosis/destruction of tissue
- Irreversible exocrine and/or endocrine function
- Pain, steatorrhea, malnutrition, diabetes

Acute Pancreatitis

- Largely supportive Care
 - Pain management
 - Antiemetics
 - Nutritional support
 - Enteral
 - Hyperglycemia
 - Antibiotics
 - Infection, abscess, or necrosis
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Chronic Pancreatitis

Complication	Targeted Therapies	Comments
Pain	Narcotic +/- non-narcotic therapies Pancreatic enzymes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Acetaminophen and/or NSAIDs• Long acting narcotic preparations + IR breakthrough• Caution with acetaminophen and narcotics if alcohol use is continued
Maldigestion and Malabsorption	Pancreatic enzymes Fat soluble vitamins	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Start around 30,000-40,000 lipase units per meal; 1/2 dose for snacks• Do not crush or chew• Max 2500 u/kg/dose; 10,000 u/kg/day• Titrate to steatorrhea + weight gain• Porcine based so avoid if pork allergy • ADEK
Diabetes	Insulin	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Long acting + short acting• Oral intake may be variable

Patient Case #11

- **HPI:** 32-year-old woman with crampy abdominal pain, bloating and constipation for 6 months. Not food related. Diagnosed with IBS-C.
- **LABS:** within normal limits
- **Medications and allergies:** none

Patient Case #11

- A. Which of the following therapeutic interventions is best for this patient?
- B. Amitriptyline 50 mg/day
- C. Senna 2 tablets twice daily
- D. Tegaserod 6 mg twice daily
- D. Lubiprostone 8 mcg twice daily

Irritable bowel syndrome

■ Categories

- ❑ Diarrhea Predominant (IBS-D)
- ❑ Constipation Predominant (IBS-C)
- ❑ Mixed Pattern (IBS-M)

■ Features

- ❑ Change in frequency and/or stool appearance
- ❑ Pain, bloating, Relief with defecation

■ Target main symptoms and comorbidities

Therapies	Comments
Hyoscyamine, dicyclomine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Target pain due to spasm and also treat diarrhea • Initial or adjunctive therapy for IBS-D or IBS-M
Tricyclic antidepressants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Target pain and diarrhea • Generally reserved for IBS-D • Low doses
SSRIs, SNRIs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Target pain and often have promotility action in IBS-D • Can also treat comorbid depression and anxiety
Lubiprostone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indicated for IBS-C in women > 18 years • Main adverse effect is nausea, more expensive option
Loperamide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adjunctive for IBS-D, but does not treat pain
Probiotics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some potential improvement in global symptoms and pain
Alosetron	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indicated for IBS-D in women > 18 years failing other therapies • Must be enrolled in prescribing program • Risk of ischemic colitis
Tegaserod	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indication: IBS-C; available on emergency use only due to CV risk
Rifaximin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some data to support improvement in bloating

Patient Case #12

- **HPI:** 30-year-old pregnant woman (14 weeks) with myalgias, watery diarrhea (4-5), vomiting x 1.
- **LABS:** influenza (-), WBC 8000×10^3
- **Medications:** prenatal vitamin
- **Allergies:** none

Patient Case #12

- What is the most appropriate course of action at this time for this patient's diarrhea?
 - A. Loperamide
 - B. Bismuth subsalicylate
 - C. Lactase
 - D. Pyridoxine

Management of Diarrhea

- Remove correct underlying cause
 - Identify drug-induced causes

 - Rehydration
 - ORS
 - Parenteral

 - Dietary modification
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Antidiarrheal Preparations

Therapies	Comments
Loperamide	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• OTC and prescription products, tablet and liquid• OTC indicated in age > 6• Pregnancy category B
Opioids (diphenoxylate, tincture of opium)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Generally reserved for more severe cases• Increased risk of CNS adverse effects
Bismuth subsalicylate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• OTC tablet and liquid preparations• Avoid:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Patients < 12 years of age• Pregnancy• Salicylate allergy• Signs/symptoms of bleeding or mucous• Stool and tongue discoloration• Chelation interactions
Lactase	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Suspected or diagnosed lactose intolerance
Probiotics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Data in AAD, IBD, IBS, radiation induced

THE END
