



2012 Scientific Assembly Course Descriptions

Hematologic Disorders

Anticoagulants, Antiplatelets, Fibrinolytics...Oh My!

WE-196 / 1 Hour

Faculty: Nilesh Patel, DO

Wednesday, October 10 / 10:00 AM - 10:50 AM

The last decade has seen an explosion in the number of antithrombotic treatment options available at our fingertips. However, this also leads to new questions. Are the latest and greatest really better than the status quo? In which settings should I consider using these agents? What are the bleeding risks? How can I correct or “reverse” the antithrombotic effects of these medications if I’m in a bind? The speaker will highlight what every emergency physician needs to know about antithrombotics.

Essential Updates: Blood Product Transfusion

WE-241 / 30 Minutes

Faculty: Kristen Nordenholz, MD, FACEP

Wednesday, October 10 / 3:30 PM - 3:55 PM

Why did they send O-positive, un-cross-matched blood instead of O-negative? How much fresh-frozen plasma should you use to correct the coagulopathy? Do we still need to premedicate with diphenhydramine and acetaminophen before packed red blood cell transfusion? The speaker will address these questions and more. The pearls and pitfalls before, during, and after transfusion also will be discussed.

The High-Risk Oncology Patient

WE-248 / 1 Hour

Faculty: Diane M. Birnbaumer, MD, FACEP

Wednesday, October 10 / 4:00 PM - 4:50 PM

Patients with cancer are frequently at risk for a variety of life-threatening complications. Using a case-based format, the speaker will discuss the evaluation and treatment of syndromes including tumor lysis, spinal cord compression, superior vena cava compression, neutropenic fever, and hypercalcemia.

TTP, HUS, HIT, ITP...HELP!

MO-74 / 1 Hour

Faculty: Sanjay Arora, MD

Monday, October 8 / 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

The emergency practitioner frequently encounters patients with low platelets. Distinguishing the common and benign from the rare and life-threatening causes of thrombocytopenia is fraught with pitfalls and dangers. The management of patients with dysfunctional platelets (anti-platelet medications, renal, or liver disease) presents unique challenges. The speaker will tackle critical issues relating to low or dysfunctional platelets by presenting an approach to the identification and management of platelet abnormalities that may be encountered in the ED.

MO = Monday TU = Tuesday WE = Wednesday TH = Thursday