Interpreting key trials

A recent multicenter trial indicated that empirically prescribing a proton pump inhibitor does not help control asthma symptoms and that current guidelines need to be reevaluated.

B.P. Riscill, J.P. Parsons, and J.G. Mastronarde

EDITORIAL

Stenting for atherosclerotic renal artery stenosis: One poorly designed trial after another

The three randomized trials of stenting vs medical therapy published so far are so seriously flawed that it is impossible to make treatment decisions based on their results.

M.D. Weinberg and J.W. Olin

Review

Stenting atherosclerotic renal arteries: Time to be less aggressive

It is time to strongly reconsider the current aggressive approach to revascularization of stenotic renal arteries and to take a more coordinated, critical approach.

J.F. Simon

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Interpreting the JUPITER trial: Statins can prevent VTE, but more study is needed

The incidence of venous thromboembolism in people taking rosvastatin (Crestor) 20 mg/day was about half that in people taking placebo. This was a relatively healthy population, and the incidence in both groups was low.

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When and how to evaluate mildly elevated liver enzymes in apparently healthy patients

Not all asymptomatic people with a mildly elevated liver enzyme value need an extensive evaluation, which can be costly, anxiety-provoking, and risky.

G. ARAGON and Z.M. YOUNOSSI

THE CLINICAL PICTURE

Palpable purpura

A healthy 47-year-old woman presents with a 3-day history of widespread asymptomatic lesions in the extremities, fever, arthralgias, and mild abdominal pain. What is the diagnosis?

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Measles: Not just a childhood rash

Outbreaks continue to be reported in communities with a high number of unvaccinated people. Most cases are linked to international travel.

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