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Home testing: The metamorphosis of attitudes about HIV infection

Most of us have not spent the past 25 years on the front line against the AIDS epidemic, but we all have been touched by it.

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V₁: The most important lead in inferior STEMI

A 63-year-old woman with diabetes and hypertension developed chest tightness. Her electrocardiogram showed ST-segment elevation in leads II, III, aVF, V₁, and V₂.

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A 60-year-old man with abdominal bruising

A man with liver cancer developed abdominal ecchymoses resembling the Cullen sign and flank ecchymoses resembling the Grey Turner sign.

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Chronic lymphocytic leukemia and apparent hyperkalemia

The day after chemotherapy, the patient’s plasma potassium level was 7.7 mmol/L and the next day it rose to 10.9, but he had no signs or symptoms of hyperkalemia. What was the cause?

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Hypertension in the elderly: Some practical considerations

Treatment is challenging because of comorbidities and age-related changes. Some common scenarios are presented.

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Assessment and therapy
Cognitive impairment occurs in up to one-third of patients after a stay in the intensive care unit. Prevention is the prevailing strategy, since data on treatment are scarce.

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Home testing for HIV: 713
Hopefully, a step forward
An over-the-counter at-home test has been approved. Will it lower the number of infected people unaware of their infection?

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Male hypogonadism: 717
More than just a low testosterone
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