

CARDIOVASCULAR MEETING SEPT 2024

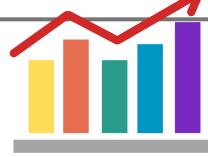
Session 1: 'What's hot in the field of cardiovascular care of the older adult?'

- Treat the patient not the test!
- Some deterioration in renal function is acceptable on RAASi
- Cohesive working is needed between specialties
- Correct iron deficiency with IV iron before discharge, oral iron is ineffective in combined HF and CKD

Session 3: 'What are the ups and downs of OH in hypertension?'



- Timing palliative care in heart failure is challenging, but leads to improved quality of life, better symptom control, and fewer hospital admissions
- It's important to consider treatable arrhythmias as a cause of recurrent falls in older people - balancing risks and benefits when considering pacemaker insertion



- Invasive strategy is safe but an individualised approach is key
- Edoxaban is safe alone compared to combined antiplatelet therapy in AF and stable CAD
- No differences in switching warfarin to DOACs - may actually increase harm

Session 2: CaReMe
- Cardiorenal
metabolic 'Save
the kidney vs save
the heart?'



- OH is common in older people with hypertension and may reflect poorly controlled hypertension rather than autonomic dysfunction
- Hypertension is likely to moderate CVD risk
- Intensive blood pressure management may be beneficial for hypertensive-OH and pseudo-OH

Session 4:
Combatting the
4Cs - Complex
Ethical
Challenges

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