



Emergency management of immune-related toxicities

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- Models of emergency care for immune-related toxicities
- Case studies immune-related toxicities
- Current guidelines
- Approach to an emergency patient being treated with ICIs

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COMMENTARY

Emergency oncology: development, current position and future direction in the USA and UK

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CARE OF PATIENTS WITH CANCER WHO VISIT EMERGENCY

VISUAL RESEARCH ABSTRACT

OBJECTIVE

To determine whether continuity of care, cancer expertise or both affect outcomes in patients with cancer who require emergency department (ED) care.

STUDY POPULATION

42 820 patients who received chemotherapy or radiation in the 30 days before a cancer-related visit to the ED in Ontario between 2006 and 2011.

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DOES **CONTINUITY OF CARE** AFFECT OUTCOMES?

Patients:
n = 42 820

39%

Alternative
hospital

61%

Original
hospital

ALTERNATIVE VERSUS ORIGINAL HOSPITAL

LOWER	Admission to hospital	OR 0.78 95% CI 0.74–0.83
HIGHER	Return visits to the ED	HR 1.06 95% CI 1.03–1.11
NO DIFF.	30-day mortality	
NO DIFF.	CT imaging	

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DOES **CANCER EXPERTISE** AFFECT OUTCOMES?

Patients:
n = 42 820

34%

Alternative
general
hospital

66%

Original or
other cancer
centre

ALTERNATIVE GENERAL HOSPITAL VERSUS ORIGINAL HOSPITAL OR CANCER CENTRE

LOWER	Admission to hospital	OR 0.83 95% CI 0.79–0.88
HIGHER	Return visits to the ED	HR 1.07 95% CI 1.03–1.11
HIGHER	30-day mortality	OR 1.13 95% CI 1.05–1.22
LOWER	CT imaging	OR 0.74 95% CI 0.69–0.80

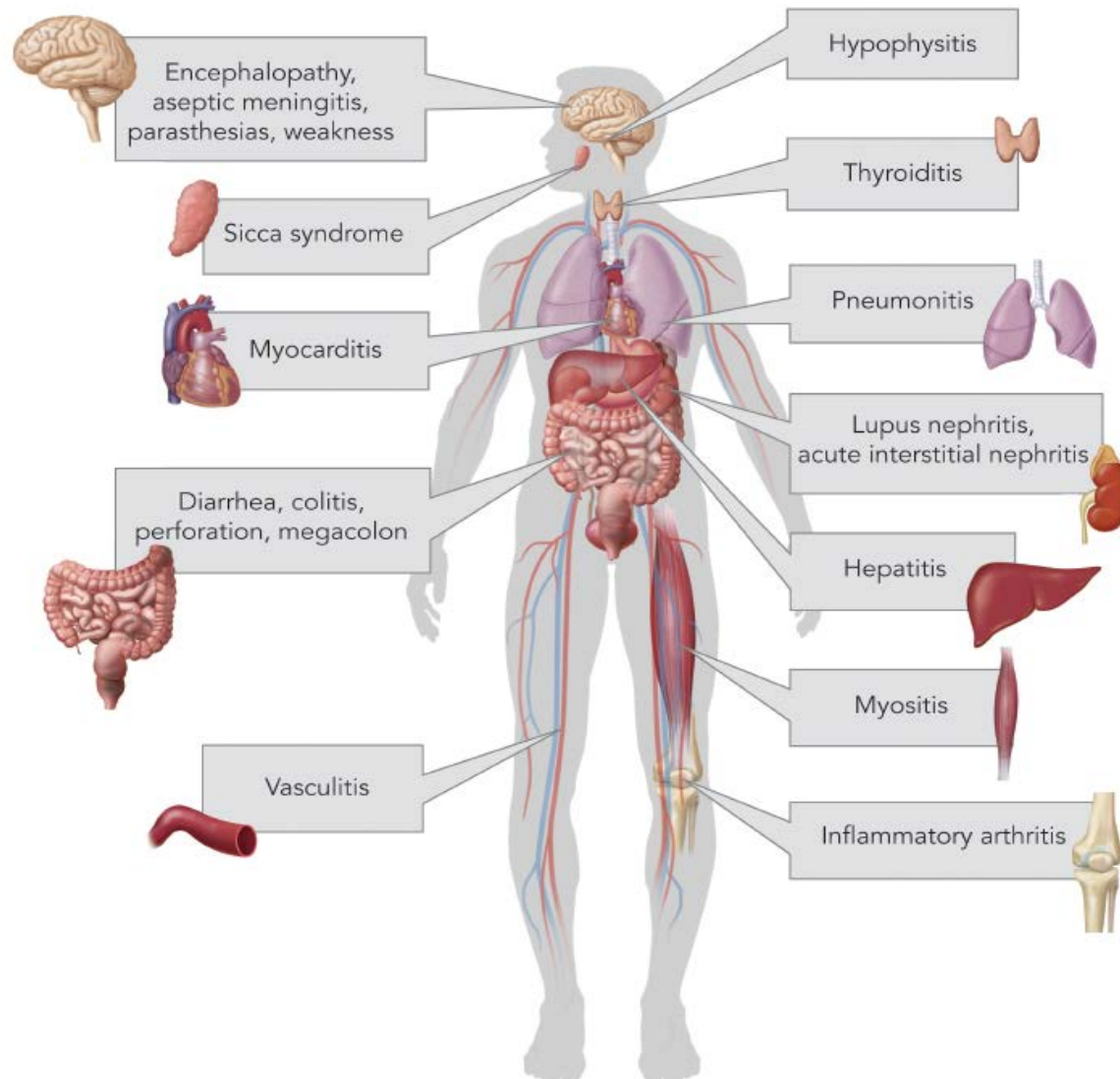
Cancer expertise of an institution rather than continuity of care may be an important predictor of outcomes following emergency treatment of patients with cancer.

Note: OR = odds ratio; HR = hazards ratio; no diff. = no difference; CT = computed tomography
Source: Grewal K, Sutradhar R, Krzyzanowska MK, et al. The association of continuity of care and cancer centre affiliation with outcomes among patients with cancer who require emergency department care. *CMAJ* 2019;191:E436–45.

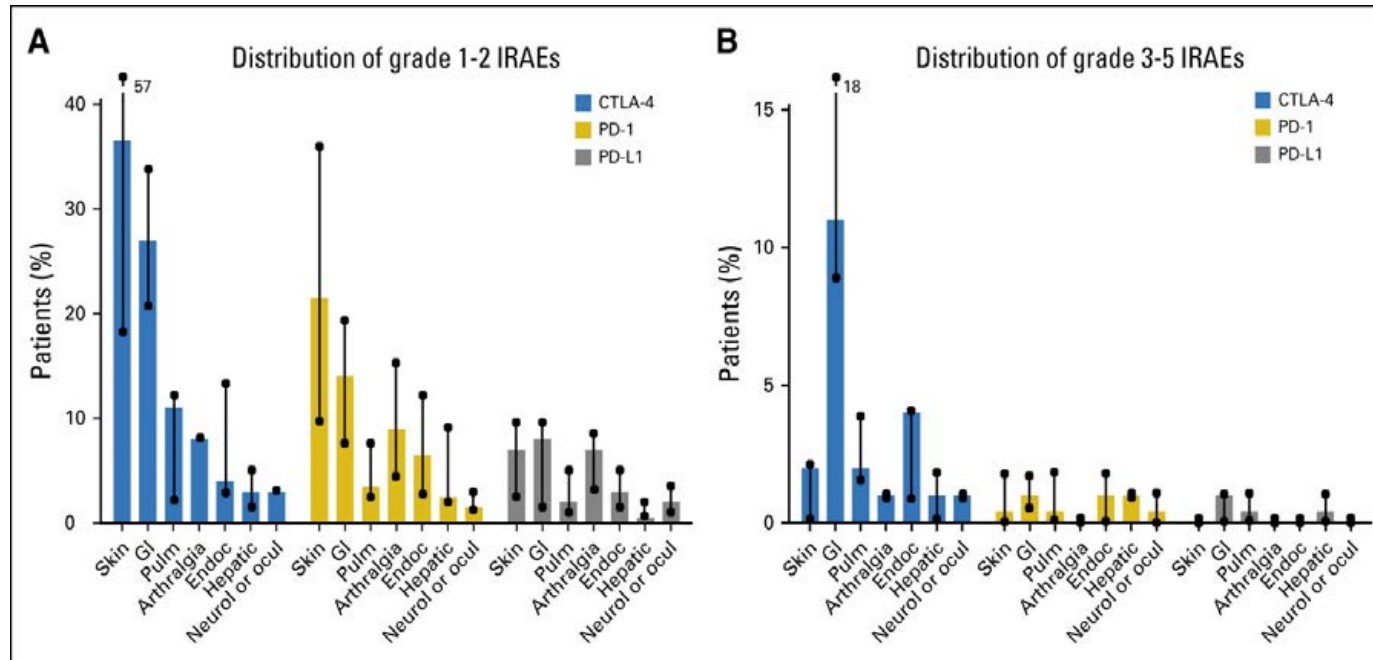
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Immune-related toxicities



Frequency of IR Toxicities



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Adverse Effects of Immune Checkpoint Therapy in Cancer Patients Visiting the Emergency Department of a Comprehensive Cancer Center

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CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES

Management of toxicities from immunotherapy: ESMO Clinical Practice Guidelines for diagnosis, treatment and follow-up[†]

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General approach to IR toxicities

CTCAE Grade	Management
1	Supportive treatment Close monitoring Investigations to exclude other cause of symptoms Patient advice and education
2	As per grade with the addition of:- Withhold checkpoint inhibitor until symptoms settle/resolve If symptoms persist for >5 days consider oral prednisolone Liaison with Oncology and Organ-related specialist
3/4	Supportive treatment Commence high dose steroids (1-2mg/kg OD IV Methylprednisolone) Withhold checkpoint inhibitor Investigations to exclude other cause of symptoms and assess severity Liaison with Oncology and Organ-related specialist If symptoms persist despite steroids consider additional immunosuppressive agent

- 54 year old male
- Metastatic melanoma
- Completed 3 cycles of Ipilimumab
- 4 day history of generalized headache, extreme fatigue and nausea
- Seen 2 days earlier at local Uni hospital
 - CT brain – NAD
 - Diagnosed migraine and discharged

Case Study (Examination)

- Alert
- BP = 100/60mmHg. Pulse = 90bpm
- Chest clear
- No focal neurology
- BM = 2.1mmols

Case Study (Pituitary Profile)

- Cortisol < 50
- TSH = 0.03
- LH < 1
- FSH < 2
- ACTH = 10
- Prolactin = 150



C E Higham *et al.*

Acute management of CKI
endocrinopathies

7:5

G1–G7

EMERGENCY GUIDANCE

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Acute management of the endocrine complications of checkpoint inhibitor therapy

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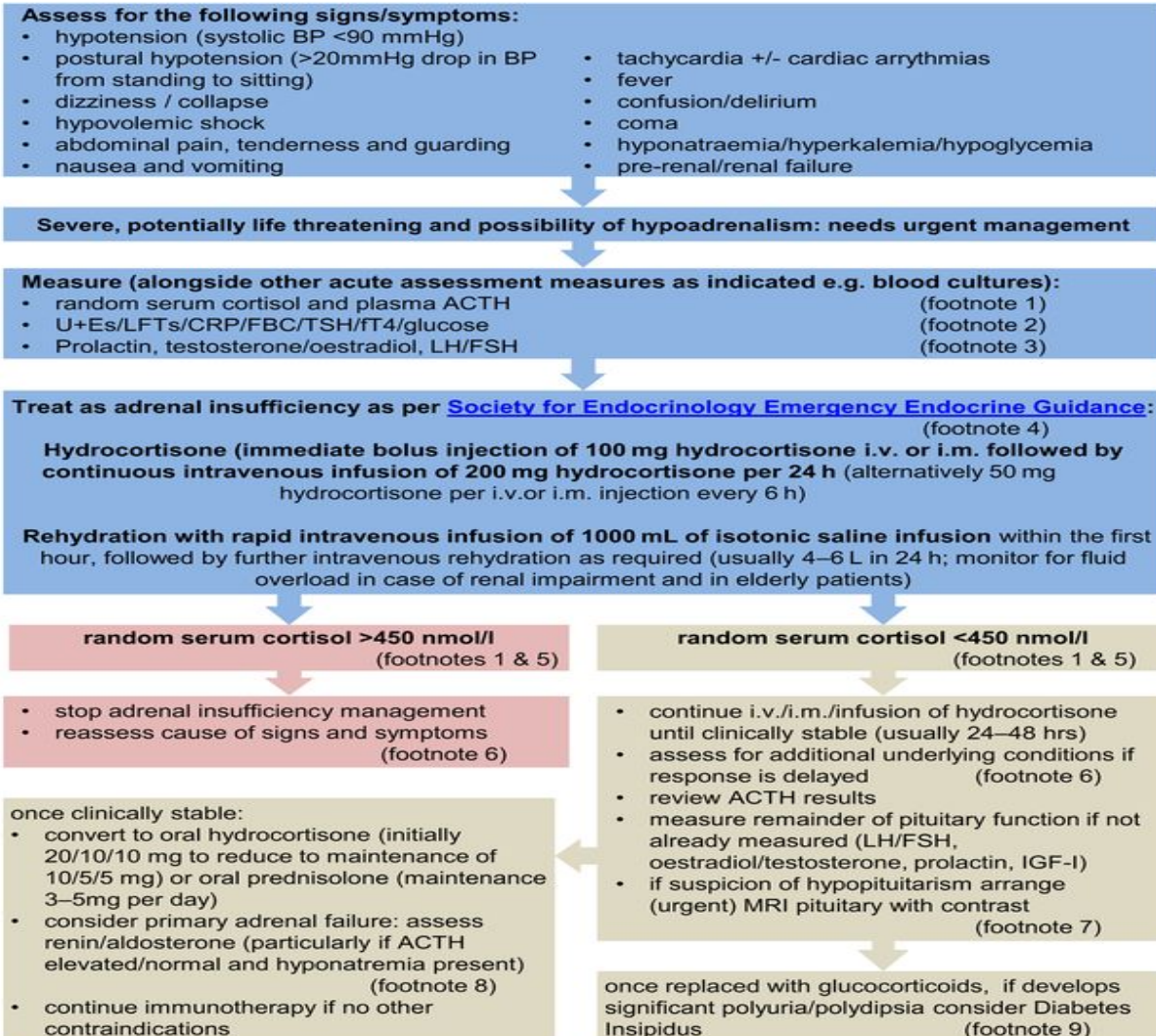
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Guidance for life-threatening immune-related HPA toxicity

Management of a life-threateningly unwell (CTCAE grade 3–4) patient





Original Article

High-dose glucocorticoids for the treatment of ipilimumab-induced hypophysitis is associated with reduced survival in patients with melanoma

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Emergency management of immune-related hypophysitis: Collaboration between specialists is essential to achieve optimal outcomes

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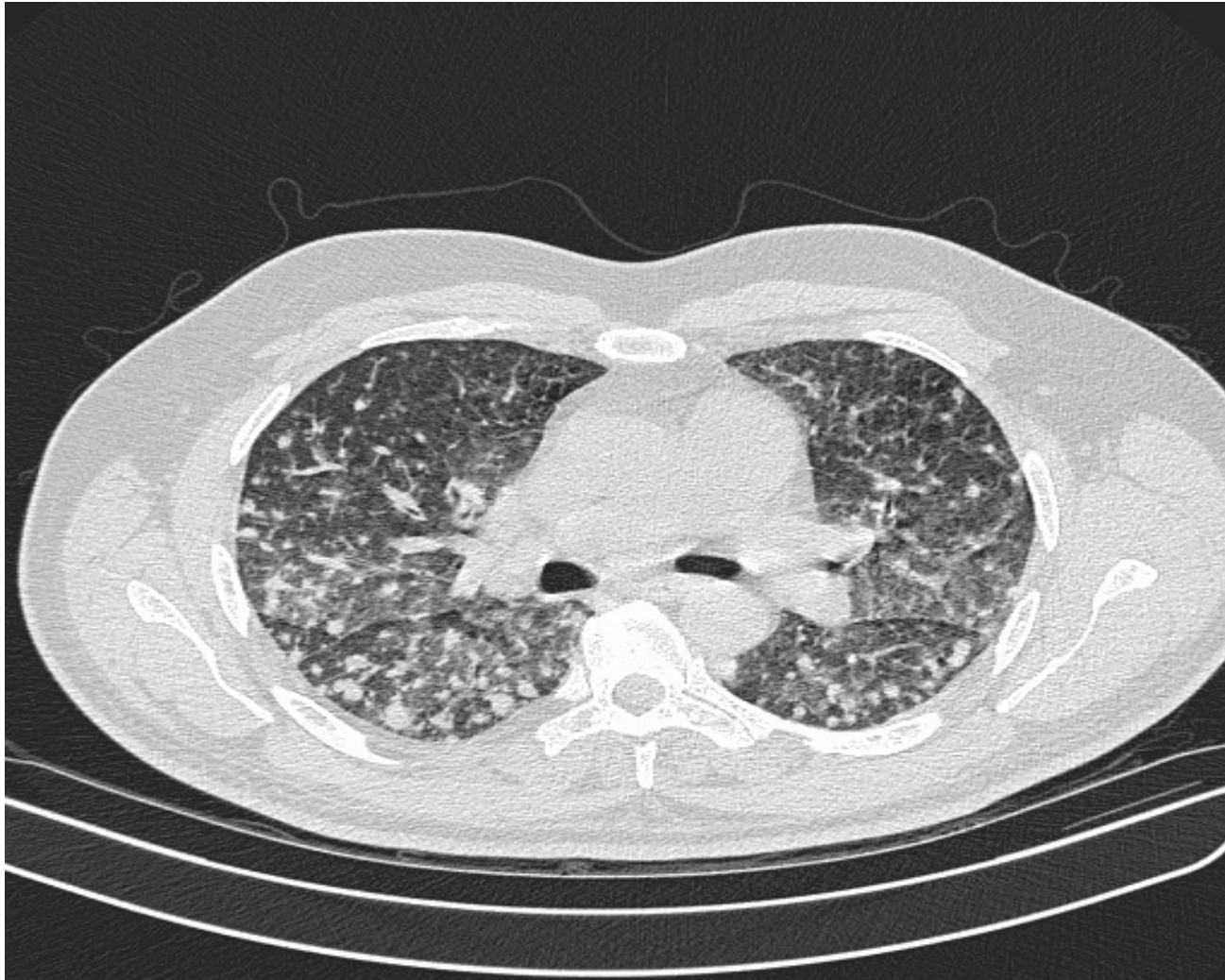
- 47 year old male
- Metastatic melanoma
- Completed 2 cycles of Ipi/Nivo
- Presents with:
 - Severe and rapidly progressively dyspnoea
 - Dry cough
 - Myalgia/fatigue

- Unwell. Extremely dyspnoeic
- Apyrexial
- BP = 140/70mmHg Pulse =130bpm
- RR = 40 O₂ SATS = 82% (AIR)
- Chest clinically clear
- Abdo and neuro examination unremarkable



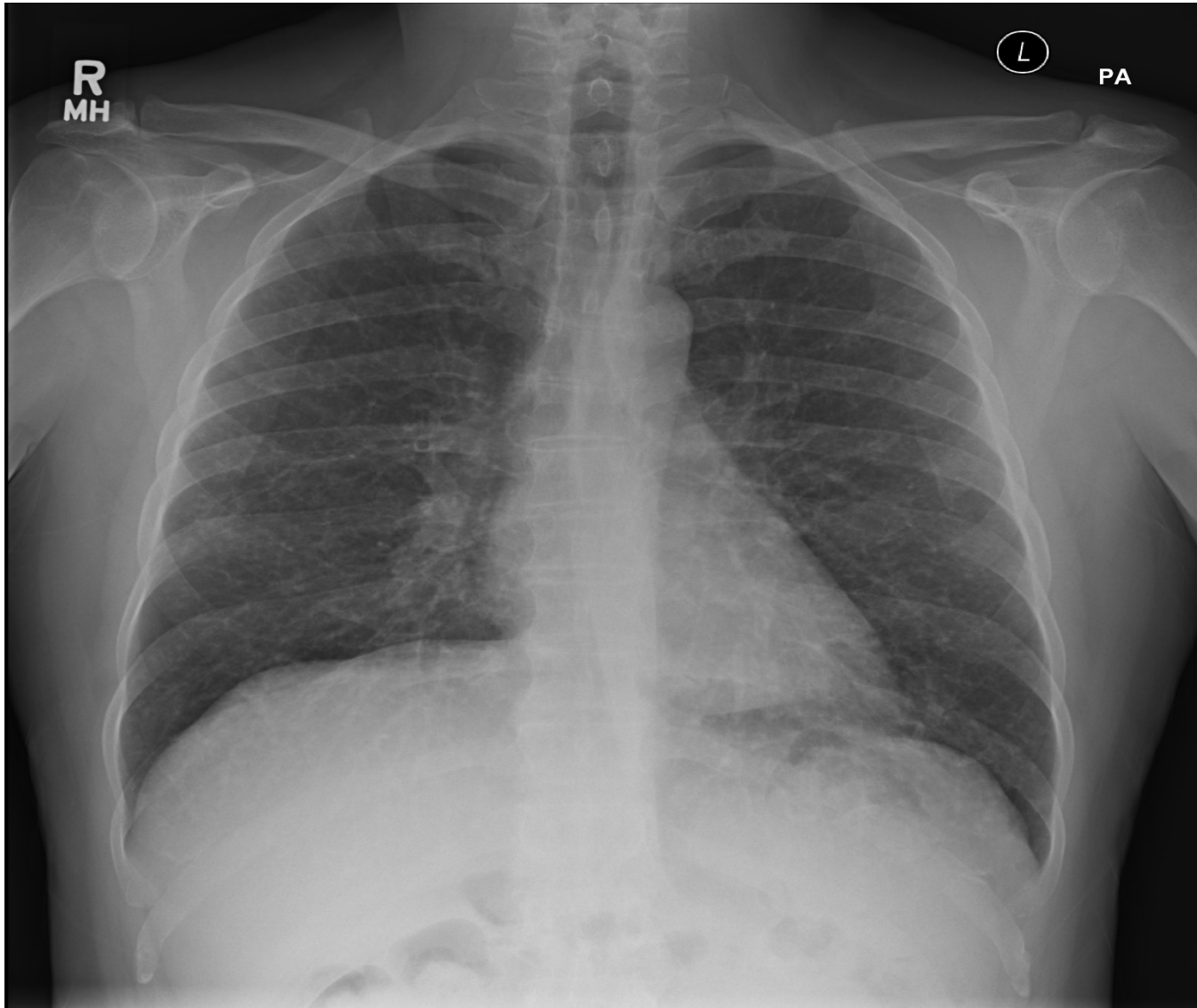
- Cultures – including Viral N+T swabs, PCP screen and β -Glucan
- Urgent HRCT
- Too unwell for bronchoscopy
- High flow Oxygen
- IV Methylprednisolone 2mg/kg - PPI and antimicrobial prophylaxis
- IV Co-Amoxiclav
- Chest physio
- Agreement with ICU colleagues for IPPV if required
- Given IV infliximab (5mg/kg) at 24 hours given severity of illness

Immune-mediated granulomatous pneumonitis



- Excellent clinical progress over 72 hours
- High flow oxygen weaned
- 3 days of IV methylprednisolone (2mg/kg)
- Cultures and β – Glucan negative
- Weaned to oral prednisolone
- Commenced on Mycophenolate Mofetil 500mg BD
- Discharged at 5 days with early clinic follow up

1 week later



- 57 year old male with metastatic papillary renal cell carcinoma
- C1 Ipi/Nivo
- Presents with rapid onset of diplopia

Case presentation



- Commenced on IV methylprednisolone (1mg/kg)
- Pyridostigmine 60mg TDS
- Monitoring FEV1
- EMG – Abnormal jitter analysis in facial muscles
- IV Immunoglobulins (1g/kg)
- Excellent clinical progress
- Converted to weaning oral prednisolone and MMF 500mg BD

Alternative Strategies to Inpatient Hospitalization for Acute Medical Conditions A Systematic Review

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IMPORTANCE Determining innovative approaches that better align health needs to the appropriate setting of care remains a key priority for the transformation of US health care; however, to our knowledge, no comprehensive assessment exists of alternative management strategies to hospital admission for acute medical conditions.

OBJECTIVE To examine the effectiveness, safety, and cost of managing acute medical conditions in settings outside of a hospital inpatient unit.



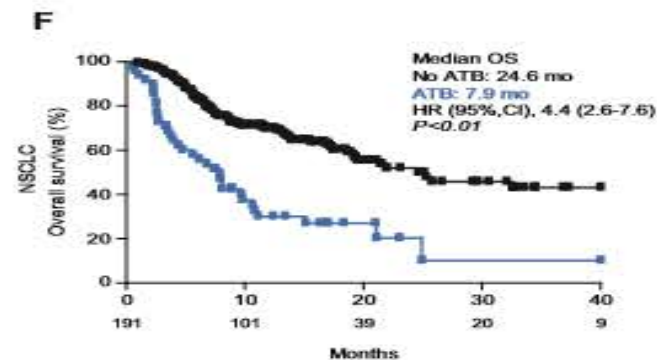
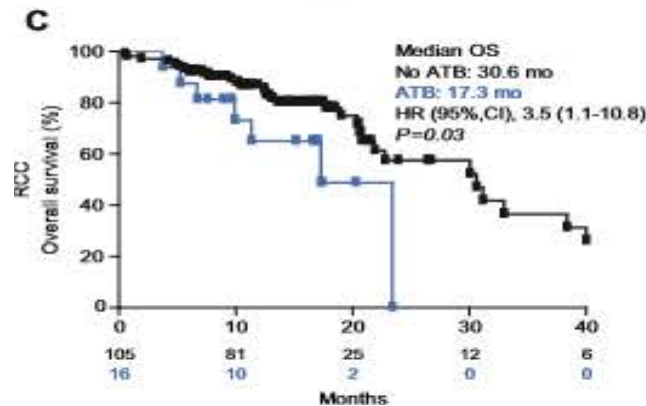
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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Negative association of antibiotics on clinical activity of immune checkpoint inhibitors in patients with advanced renal cell and non-small-cell lung cancer

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- Low threshold for considering IR toxicities
- Need thorough clinical work up
- Need to exclude important non-IR related diagnoses
- Early initiation of high dose steroids in those with high clinical suspicion
- Role for early infliximab (anti-TNF) to minimize long-term steroid exposure and reduce morbidity/mortality in life-threatening IR toxicity?

- Biomarkers for prediction of those at risk
- Biomarkers for detection
- Antibiotic therapy and risk of infection
- RCTs into the optimal management
 - Timing of infliximab/immunosuppression
- Ambulatory management?
 - Is it possible to identify cohort at low risk of complications with Grade 3 toxicity?

- Emergency presentations in patients on checkpoint inhibition are a challenge
- Need to distinguish IR and non-IR presentations
- Research needed into management and pathways of IR toxicities
- Education of patients and health care professionals