

Using Evidence and Guidelines to Individualize Care for ACS: *A Case-Based Presentation*

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STATEMENT OF NEED

Acute coronary syndrome (ACS) affects more than 1.5 million people in the United States each year, and is associated with an increased risk of cardiac death.¹ Prevention of cardiac events in patients with ACS and those with prior myocardial infarction (MI) or stroke is crucial to improving outcomes and preventing death. Yet, almost half of all patients are under-recognized and not adequately managed. The American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association (ACC/AHA) have recently published new treatment guidelines for ACS, yet even when guidelines are incorporated in practice, some issues remain controversial. For instance, dosing and timing of the administration of antithrombotic therapies is not consistent and these factors can impact outcome.² Also, clinicians need to know the importance of risk stratification in the management of ACS. In addition, short-term and long-term management strategies for ACS may differ, and there is not yet consensus in the field regarding best practices. Although current antithrombotic agents are effective, there is room for improvement in outcomes.³ Promising new agents, including P2Y₁₂ inhibitors, thrombin receptor antagonists, and Factor Xa inhibitors may play a key role in improving patient care. Faculty in this interactive, live, case-based symposium will translate the latest evidence on treatment guidelines and emerging management strategies to improve practice, individualize treatments, and optimize outcomes of patients with ACS.

- 1 Kaiyala E, et al. *Emerg Med* 2004;36:20-38.
2 Giugliano R, et al. *Am Heart J* 2006;149:994-1002.
3 Wiviott SD, et al. *N Engl J Med* 2007;357:2001-2015.

ACTIVITY GOAL

To provide an overview of current and emerging treatment strategies for patients with acute coronary syndrome.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Describe the impact of treatment selection, dosing, and timing of antiplatelet therapies on overall outcomes of patients with acute coronary syndrome.
- Recognize the role of antithrombotic therapy in the prevention and management of acute coronary syndrome according to ACC/AHA guidelines.
- Evaluate emerging therapies in the management of patients with acute coronary syndrome.

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TARGET AUDIENCE

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nurse practitioners, pharmacists, and
other clinicians who treat patients with
acute coronary syndrome.

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