

New PCI Guidelines: An Interactive Debate with Experts on Indications and Implementations

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Monday, May 19, 2008, at 8:20 a.m. ET–10:00 a.m. ET
Friday, June 13, 2008, at 11:20 a.m. ET–1:00 p.m. ET
Friday, June 20, 2008, at 12:50 p.m. ET–2:30 p.m. ET

STATEMENT OF NEED

The 2007 Percutaneous Coronary Intervention (PCI) "Focused Update" to the American College of Cardiology (ACC)/American Heart Association (AHA)/Society for Coronary Angiography and Intervention (SCAI) practice guidelines¹ was recently published to keep interventionalists up to date on the stream of new data available. New studies have been incorporated to guide the indications for an invasive strategy in patients with acute coronary syndrome (ACS), including those with ST elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI) and unstable angina/non-STEMI. In addition, many studies have shown that improving inhibition of platelet aggregation is key to improving outcomes in these patients.² Controversy remains, however, as to the precise dosing, combination and timing of antiplatelet therapies in ACS patients being managed with PCI. Adherence to the ACC/AHA/SCAI guidelines is not universal, and hospitals and practitioners vary in how the guidelines are implemented. Newer therapies and improved understanding of how to use existing therapies are important for improving patient outcomes.

This interactive symposium and live webcast will include patient case vignettes and audience response keypads, and will encourage participants to debate with each other and with the faculty panel. The faculty panel will review and discuss the "focused update" for the management of ACS in PCI-treated patients, and will report on recent findings related to emerging agents and dosing regimens.

1 American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association Task Force on Practice Guidelines. 2007 Focused Update of the ACC/AHA/SCAI 2005 Guideline Update for Percutaneous Coronary Intervention. *JACC* 2008;51:1-38.
2 Davies MJ. Pathology of arterial thrombosis. *Br Med Bull* 1994;50:789-802.

ACTIVITY GOAL

The goal of this activity is to provide an overview of current and emerging treatment strategies for patients with acute coronary syndrome undergoing percutaneous coronary intervention.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Describe the benefits of incorporating practice guidelines in ACS patients undergoing PCI treatment.
- Identify important evidence-based findings regarding the timing of PCI treatment in ACS patients.
- Evaluate emerging research related to new therapies for the management of ACS patients undergoing PCI.

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TARGET AUDIENCE

Interventional cardiologists, physician assistants, nurses, nurse practitioners, pharmacists, and other clinicians who treat patients with acute coronary syndrome.

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