

EBMT Nurses Group



Active management of veno-occlusive disease (VOD) learning programme

Dear colleagues,

Welcome to the newly updated *Active management of VOD* learning programme of the European Society for Blood and Marrow Transplantation Nurses Group (EBMT Nurses Group).

The unmet need

We noticed, through our everyday practice, that there was a need to develop an educational tool that will allow nurses to:

- Understand haematopoietic stem cell transplantation (HSCT) and its association with VOD
- Recognise signs of VOD and appropriately care for and manage patients with VOD
- Train colleagues on VOD appropriately

The information in this programme was developed with consideration of the relevant national and international guidelines regarding the diagnosis and treatment of VOD, including the recently revised EBMT diagnosis and severity grading criteria for VOD in adults and new information on risk factors for VOD.

Content – what's new?

The revised *Active management of VOD* learning programme consists of five modules designed in a new interactive PowerPoint format. Users can now access further details on a topic by clicking on information popups, easily navigate between modules, as well as link to external resources. A series of self-assessment questions at the end of each module allows you to test your knowledge. Module 5 is a dedicated resource of VOD case studies. For each case study the newly revised EBMT criteria have been applied to diagnose and/or grade the severity of VOD.

Module 1 – Haematopoietic stem cell transplantation

Module 2 – Pathophysiology of VOD

Module 3 – Diagnosis of VOD

Module 4 – Assessment and management of VOD

Module 5 – VOD case studies

Utilisation

This tool comprises a comprehensive slide resource that can be used in its entirety or in parts. It is designed for self-learning as well as for you to help educate colleagues on active management of VOD.

The modular format of the programme allows the tool to be adapted to a presentation format. Whilst the modules are predefined, it is also possible for presenters to select the slides that meet their audience's educational needs.

The tool is available in English initially but will be available in five languages (English, French, German, Spanish and Italian), and is available for download from the EBMT website:

<http://www.ebmt.org/Contents/Nursing/Materials/LearningProgrammes/Pages/default.aspx>

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Feedback

We welcome any feedback on how the resource is being used in your country. Please provide suggestions and feedback to us by emailing VODfeedback@ebmt.org. We are confident that you will find the enclosed learning programme both stimulating and educational.

Yours sincerely,

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