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Articles

Effects of the supportive care needs of patients with cancer on their comfort levels

International Journal of Palliative Nursing Vol. 30, No. 6 pp.295-306

The aim of this cross-sectional, descriptive study was to identify the effects of the supportive care needs of cancer patients on their comfort levels.

Real world study of sacituzumab govitecan in metastatic triplenegative breast cancer in the United Kingdom

British Journal of Cancer (2024) 130:pp.1916 – 1920

Treatment options for pre-treated patients with metastatic triple-negative breast cancer (mTNBC) remain limited. This is the first study to assess the real-world safety and efficacy of sacituzumab govitecan (SG) in the UK.

How to manage late effects in the survivors of childhood and adolescent cancers

Cancer Nursing Practice. 23, 4, pp. 7-9. 1st July 2024

Nurses can support childhood cancer survivors by assessing and screening for late effects – which may occur beyond treatment – and coordinating complex care

More children are surviving cancer than ever before, but the long-term impacts can remain significant.

Breast Cancer and Therapy-Related Cardiovascular Toxicity

J Breast Cancer. 2024 Jun; 27 (3): pp. 147-162.

In this review, we delve into the cardiovascular complications associated with breast cancer treatment, explore surveillance protocols for early detection and diagnosis of late complications, and discuss protective strategies against cardiotoxicity in breast cancer patients undergoing anticancer therapy, drawing from multiple guidelines.

Lymphoma for the acute physician: diagnostic challenges and initial treatment decisions

British Journal of Hospital Medicine Vol. 85, No. 6 pp. 1-9

This review is intended to provide clinicians with background to aid clinical decisional making at presentation and when managing treatment related complications...



[Imaging findings of breast leukaemia: a case series](#)

British Journal of Hospital Medicine Vol. 85, No. 6 pp. 1-15

Breast leukaemia (BL) is a rare breast malignancy that is treated differently from other malignant conditions. However, it is easily confused with other conditions; therefore, how to accurately diagnose is crucial. We retrospectively analysed the imaging findings of 13 patients to provide a diagnostic reference.

[Opioids and Cancer: Current Understanding and Clinical Considerations](#)

Current Oncology. May 2024, 31, pp. 3086–3098

This manuscript aims to summarize our current understanding of the role of MOR and opioids in cancer progression.

[Clinical nurse specialists and survival in patients with cancer: the UK National Cancer Experience Survey](#)

BMJ Supportive & Palliative Care 2024; 14: pp. e1208–e1224

This article sets out to examine whether having a better care experience with a clinical nurse specialist (CNS) is associated with better overall survival of patients with cancer in England.

[Interpreting and integrating genomic tests results in clinical cancer care: Overview and practical guidance](#)

CA A Cancer Journal for Clinicians. 2024; 74: pp. 264–285.

The objective of this review is to provide practical guidance on how to interpret and integrate genomic information into routine cancer care.

Policy Review

[NHS cancer services and systems—ten pressure points a UK cancer control plan needs to address](#)

Lancet Oncology, 8th July 2024

In this Policy Review we discuss ten key pressure points in the NHS in the delivery of cancer care services that need to be urgently addressed by a comprehensive national cancer control plan. These pressure points cover areas such as increasing workforce capacity and its productivity, delivering effective cancer survivorship services, addressing variation in quality, fixing the reimbursement system for cancer care, and balancing of the cancer research agenda

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[Small steps can lead to substantial breakthroughs: moving the therapeutic needle forward in pancreatic cancer](#)

Lancet Oncology, The, 2024-07-01, 25, 7, pp. 824-825

Pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma, the most common malignancy of the pancreas, remains a lethal disease. Despite substantial recent advancements in systemic therapy, median overall survival in de novo metastatic pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma is still less than 1 year

What Your Patient is Thinking

[Navigating breastfeeding through cancer treatment](#)

BMJ 2024;386: q1284 8th July 2024

Abi Rimmer explains the challenges she faced while trying to continue breastfeeding throughout cancer diagnosis and treatment



Patient & Public Information

[Supporting muscle mass from diagnosis to recovery: animation videos.](#)

Nutricia; 2024.

<https://betternutritionincancer.com/muscle-and-cancer>

[Patient information video about maintaining muscle mass through nutrition and exercise when living with cancer. Created with involvement from NHS staff at University Hospitals Sussex.]

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