



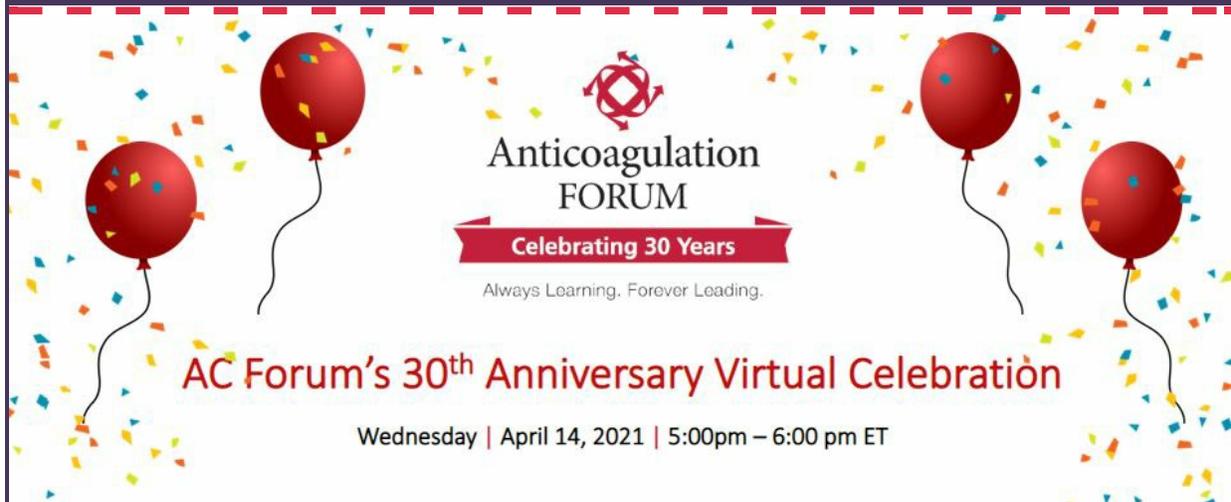
fresh insights

Emerging Evidence on Anticoagulation Strategies in COVID-19

Key questions among clinicians across the globe throughout the COVID-19 pandemic have been the utility of anticoagulants, and at what intensity, to prevent thromboembolic events. Like many organizations, the Anticoagulation Forum Board of Directors developed a set of expert guidance statements in May 2020 to help clinicians safely manage anticoagulation needs in patients diagnosed with COVID-19. [1] Most of these guidance statements are based on expert opinion and limited evidence available at that time. Recently, results from randomized controlled trials have begun to emerge that clinicians should be aware of as they will likely lead to changes in practice.

[Read the full article here . . .](#)

Anticoagulation Forum Turns 30!



The banner features a central logo for the Anticoagulation Forum, which includes a red circular icon with a white geometric design. Below the logo, the text reads "Anticoagulation FORUM" and "Celebrating 30 Years" in a red ribbon. Underneath that is the tagline "Always Learning. Forever Leading." The banner is decorated with four red balloons and colorful confetti. The main title "AC Forum's 30th Anniversary Virtual Celebration" is written in a large, bold, red font. Below the title, the date and time "Wednesday | April 14, 2021 | 5:00pm – 6:00 pm ET" are displayed in a smaller, dark font.

[Click here to celebrate with Us!](#)

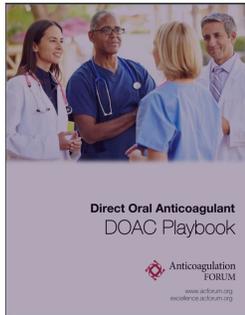
All attendees will be entered into a drawing for a free registration to our National Conference in October!



New Clinical Guide for Managing Direct Oral Anticoagulants (DOACs)

Wednesday | May 5, 2021 | 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM ET

The Anticoagulation Forum is very pleased to announce the publication of our new “DOAC Playbook”. This comprehensive guide provides practical information for clinicians who prescribe, monitor, and manage patients on DOACs. The DOAC Playbook includes clinical guidance on the following topics:



- Patient selection
- Periprocedural guidance
- Drug-drug interactions
- DOAC-associated bleeding
- Transitions of care
- Patient and family education
- And more!

Please join us for a webinar hosted by four of the DOAC Playbook authors highlighting this new AC Forum resource through patient case examples.

Presenters

Arthur Allen, PharmD, CACP
Jack Ansell, MD, MACP
Sara Vazquez, PharmD, BCPS, CACP
Diane Wirth, ANP CACP

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Effectiveness and Safety of Direct Oral Anticoagulants Versus Warfarin in Patients With Valvular Atrial Fibrillation

Tuesday | May 25, 2021 | 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM ET

Direct oral anticoagulants (DOACs) are increasingly used in place of warfarin, but evidence about their effectiveness and safety in patients with valvular atrial fibrillation (AF) remains limited.

In this comparative effectiveness study using practice-based claims data, patients with valvular AF who were new users of DOACs had lower risks for ischemic stroke or systemic embolism and major bleeding than new users of warfarin. This data may be used to guide risk–benefit discussions regarding anticoagulant choices for patients with valvular AF.

Please join us for this webinar as the authors discuss the effectiveness and safety of DOACs compared with warfarin in patients with valvular AF.

Authors:

Geoffrey Barnes, MD, MSc



Moderators:

Arthur Allen, PharmD, CACP
Diane Wirth, ANP, CACP

[Read Article here](#)

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Call to Action: Structural Racism as a Fundamental Driver of Health Disparities: A Presidential Advisory from the American Heart Association

Recorded on March 18, 2021

Structural racism has been and remains a fundamental cause of persistent health disparities in the United States. This presidential advisory by the AHA reviews the historical context, current state, and potential solutions to address structural racism in our country.

Listen to our representatives from the American Heart Association, American Society of Health System Pharmacists, and the Anticoagulation Forum for a discussion of the article in the first of a four-part series on racial disparities in health care.

Watch our impactful webinar!



Learn more about our Scholarships and Resources

This webinar was coordinated by the Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Allyship (IDEA) Committee. Through the IDEA Committee, the AC Forum will work to increase awareness and promote diversity in our leadership, membership, and programming. We hope our members will engage in this initiative to re-evaluate their current practice, work to reduce health inequities, and improve the quality of care for all patients.

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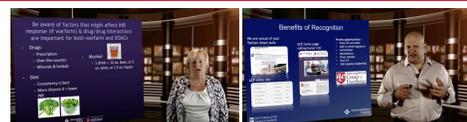
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Here is our program:

Thursday, April 15 - 9am to 6 pm

- Essentials of Coagulation Cascade and Hemostasis
- Pharmacology of Anticoagulants and Critical Drug Interactions
- Common Indications: Atrial fibrillation
- Common Indications: Venous thromboembolism
- Patient Education
- Invasive Procedure Planning
- VTE Prophylaxis
- Special Situations

Friday, April 16 - 9am to 4pm

- Cardiac Valves and Circulatory Support
- AC Forum Centers of Excellence
- Managing Bleeding &: Other Unexpected Situations
- Anticoagulation in Pediatric Population
- Transitions of Care
- Quality improvement and Benchmarking



Daily Chalk Talks will provide live Q&A with our faculty so bring your toughest questions and cases!

Faculty

- Arthur Allen, PharmD
- Geoff Barnes, MD
- Marilyn Blumenstein, MSN, CRNP
- Nathan Clark, PharmD
- Mark Crowther, MD
- Adam Cuker, MD
- Scott Kaatz, DO
- Sara Vazquez, PharmD
- Diane Wirth, ANP
- Dan Witt, PharmD

Here's what some of our 2020 attendees had to say . . .

"The course gave me better decision-making in special populations such as valvular, pregnancy and APS plus I got ideas for QA data and justification for staffing."

"Absolutely a fantastic conference! You hit the ball out of the park with the virtual format and I'm tremendously thankful."

Congratulations to our 2021 Boot Camp Scholarship Winners!



Melanie Siv, PharmD
Cynthia Harris-Boyer, PharmD
Rosemary DePerez
Maria Rochelle Panes, MSN



Rapid Resources and Literature Updates!

As the field of anticoagulation continues to quickly

evolve and become more nuanced, Rapid Resources aim to provide succinct one-page to two-page summaries to help providers stay informed.

[View All Rapid Resources](#)

This library of compact info sheets is housed in the ACE Rapid Resources section located on the left of our ACE Resource Center. New materials are added regularly!

Don't miss the over 500 resources in our [Library](#).

Literature Resource Updates!

Here is the breakdown of new articles:

- > **March 7, 2021** update, **91** new articles, including **9 related to COVID-19**
- > **March 29, 2021** update, **98** new articles, including **8 related to COVID-19**

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Special thanks to Dr. Bishoy Ragheb who updates our literature search by topic!



AC Forum's National Conference is **October 28th- 30th, 2021** in San Francisco, CA. More information on this hybrid event coming soon!

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