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January 2023



## Webinars & Events

### **Under-prescribing of Oral Anticoagulation and Associated Outcomes for Patients with Atrial Fibrillation: A Call to Action**

**Tuesday | February 28, 2022 | 12:00pm ET**

11:00am CT | 10:00am MT | 9:00am PT

Patients from underrepresented racial and ethnic communities are often under prescribed oral anticoagulation for the treatment of atrial fibrillation. In this webinar, representatives from the Anticoagulation Forum Inclusion Diversity, Equity and Allyship (IDEA) Initiative discuss recent publications highlighting racial disparities and inequities in arrhythmia care and the need for systematic improvements and additional education and training for clinicians.

**Ethics CE Available!**

**Read the Articles:**

[Racial & Ethnic Disparities in Arrhythmia Care: A Call for Action](#)

[Association of Race and Ethnicity With Oral Anticoagulation and Associated Outcomes in Patients With Atrial Fibrillation: Findings From the Get With The Guidelines-Atrial Fibrillation Registry](#)

**Register now!**

**Presenters**

**Moderator**



**Naomi Yates, PharmD,  
BCACP**  
*Kaiser Permanente*



**Julia Mulheman, PharmD,  
CACP**  
*Cleveland Clinic Health  
System*



**Sara Vazquez, PharmD,  
BCPS, CACP**  
*University of Utah Health*

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## **Webinar Recording Now Available!**

Direct Oral Anticoagulants vs Vitamin-K Antagonists in  
Thrombotic Antiphospholipid Syndrome:  
Meta-analysis of Randomized Controlled Trials

Monday | January 30, 2023 | 12:00pm – 1:00pm EST

**Presenters:**

Behnood Bikdeli, MD, MS | Jean Connors, MD | Surabhi Palkimas, PharmD  
Geoff Barnes, MD, MSc | Deb Siegal, MD, MSc, FRCP

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**17th National Conference on  
Anticoagulation Therapy**

**April 1-3, 2023**

**San Francisco, CA**

## Join us for a weekend in San Francisco!

Join us in San Francisco from **Saturday, April 1st** to **Monday, April 3rd** at the largest venue for open discussion and education on advances in anticoagulant therapy and improved patient care!

Featuring:

- **85** abstract posters
- **28** presentations by **34** experts
- **16.5** hours of CME for Physicians, Nurses, & Pharmacists
- **2.5** days of continuous education and networking

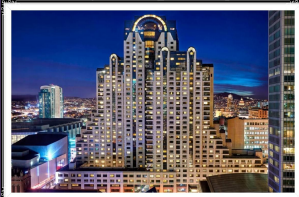
**This one-of-a-kind event addresses topics such as...**

New Agents, New Indications  
Women's Health  
Clinic Administration  
Specialist Perspectives  
Thrombophilia Testing and Management  
Periprocedural Anticoagulation

LAAO Devices  
Arterial Thrombosis  
DOAC Levels, D-dimer, & Other Testing  
LV Thrombus  
Pediatric Clotting  
**and More!**

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**Meet the Faculty**



**Book your room at the San Francisco Marriot Marquis for a \$100 registration discount!**

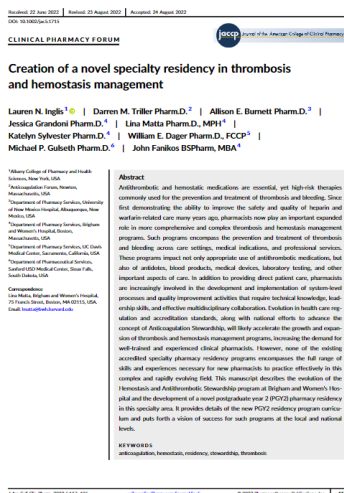
**Reserve Your Room!**



## News & Updates

### **New Publication from the AC Forum - Postgraduate Training in Clinical Pharmacy: Special Issue**

JACCP has published a **special edition** focusing on postgraduate training for pharmacists, including a manuscript by Anticoagulation Forum staff and members entitled, "**Creation of a novel specialty residency in thrombosis and hemostasis management**". The manuscript describes the evolution of the new ASHP-approved PGY2 category and a vision of the future for this dynamic specialty. Similarly, Anticoagulation Forum will soon be announcing another round of startup funding for new residency programs under the **TRAIN Pharmacist**



Read the Article

## Resources on Managing PAXLOVID/Anticoagulant Drug Interactions

Drug interaction guidance differs per oral anticoagulant. Stay in the know by reviewing these helpful resources:

1. [Provider Fact Sheet](#)
2. [Liverpool COVID-19 Drug Interactions](#)
3. [NIH Guidelines](#)
4. [Drug Interaction Checker | Pfizer Medical Information - US](#)

## Education & Guidance

### New Order Set Reversal & Hemostatic Therapies for DOAC-related, Life-Threatening Bleeding

#### Authors:

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Download the Order Set

**Grant.** Organizations interested in applying for funding are encouraged to visit the TRAIN Pharmacist Grant website to begin preparing their proposals.

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PATIENT INFORMATION

Document aligns on approved form and ensures medication reconciliation has been reviewed as per organizational process

Reversal & Hemostatic Therapies for DOAC-related, Life-Threatening Bleeding

ADMIN

Administration

DOCUMENT PURPOSE

This order set is intended for use in patients with life-threatening bleeding while receiving a direct-acting oral anticoagulant (DOAC) in whom clinically significant levels of DOAC are confirmed or suspected and for whom the decision to reverse anticoagulation has been made in addition to supportive measures. This order set is not intended for use for patients with mild bleeding or for emergent surgery/procedures.

DECISION SUPPORT<sup>1,2</sup>:

DOAC related, life-threatening bleeding

Stop DOAC

Initiate appropriate measures to control bleeding

Administer suggested reversal/hemostatic agent to control bleeding and stabilize patient

Lab Monitoring<sup>3</sup>

ALL PATIENTS:

☐ Complete blood count (CBC)

☐ Metabolic panel including liver and kidney function

☐ Type and screen, crossmatch

☐ Prothrombin time/International Normalized Ratio (PT/INR)

☐ activated Partial Thromboplastin Time (aPTT)

<sup>1</sup>Do not delay administration of reversal agents for life-threatening bleeding while waiting for lab results

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Practitioner: ID, PRINTED NAME, YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM, SIGNATURE

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Mentors will meet with students on a regular basis to provide guidance on career growth, the student experience, and professional development.

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## Recommended Reading:

**Perioperative venous thromboembolism risk considerations in the gender diverse patient - Should we consider more than just estrogen?**

YU JL, Lane M, Roach GD, Morrison SD, et al.

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[Learn more about how the AC Forum is addressing health disparities](#)

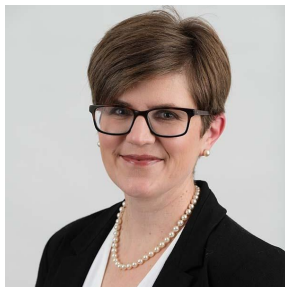
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## From Our Leadership

### *Board Member Spotlight*

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**Sara Vazquez, PharmD, BCPC, CACP**

**Clinical Pharmacist**

**Adjunct Associate Professor, Pharmacotherapy**

**University of Utah Health**

**How did you become interested in the field of anticoagulation?**

When I was a pharmacy student, part of my first ambulatory care rotation was in an anticoagulation clinic. It was love at first INR! I did a lot of anticoagulation management in my residency and then my first (and only) job was in an anticoagulation clinic. I got hooked and have never wanted to leave!

**Do you have an ultimate career goal?**

I'm living it! I want to keep learning and keep driving the anticoagulation world forward.

**Do you have any hobbies? If not, how do you like to spend your free time?**

I'm an avid reader: daily newspaper plus historical fiction and mysteries for fun

Winter: cross-country skiing

Summer: hiking, road biking

Travel: exploring new places!

Baking treats

Watching football!

**What is an interesting fact about yourself?**

I grew up in a small town in rural Tennessee (really rural—no stoplights!)

**What is your favorite family tradition?**

Cross-country skiing in Bryce Canyon National Park over President's Day weekend. So beautiful and peaceful, it's other-worldly.

**Aside from necessities, what one thing could you not go a day without?**

A scalding hot shower.

**Is there anything you wish would come back in fashion?**

SMALL smartphones with a home button

**What is the most daring thing you've done? (I.e., your craziest adventure)**

This small town girl moving across the country to a new city and state to take a new job with my new husband. I'm generally a risk-averse person so this was a big deal for me, and has been one of the best decisions of my life!

**Anything else you'd like to share?**

I would like to say that my term on the AC Forum Board of Directors has been the experience of a lifetime. It has been so intellectually stimulating and fulfilling professionally and personally. What a phenomenal group of people driving this organization that is driving our practice forward! I would also like to say that I have had innumerable people invest in me, mentor me, open doors of opportunity for me to walk through. They are my heroes, my mentors, and there is no way I would be here today without every single one of them. One of my mentors and a regular AC Forum attendee Gale Hamann, PharmD recently passed away unexpectedly, and I just wanted to honor him as one of my original anticoagulation mentors and as a great man.



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## **The Hidden Threat: Nonadherence and Noncompliance Non-Valvular AF Patient**

Nonadherence and noncompliance are two of the most common causes of treatment failure for NVAf patients. This expert-led peer-to-peer discussion from faculty specializing in heart and brain will offer you a unique lens into their approaches to address this complex phenomenon based on the latest clinical evidence and real-world experience.

Topics include:

- Is Nonadherence and Noncompliance Diagnosable and Treatable?
- Patient vs Physician Perspective on Risk Benefit Assessment
- Identifying the Barrier to Suit Patient Need
- Importance of Monitoring





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