CME Credit Quiz

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SELECT THE BEST ANSWER(S) FOR EACH OF THE FOLLOWING

- 1. The change in the hypertension recommendations for 2003 (reflected by the ALLHAT study) increased the prominence of which class of drug for first-line therapy?
- a) Thiazide diuretics
- b) Angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors
- c) Beta blockers
- d) Angiotenisn II receptor blockers
- 2. Patients with high normal blood pressure (130-139/85-89 mmHg) have how much greater risk of cardiovascular events than those with optimal blood pressure (systolic blood pressure < 120 mmHg)?
- a) Three times greater risk
- b) Five times greater risk
- c) Seven times greater risk
- d) 10 times greater risk

(Cardiology; page 81)

- 3. Which of the following factors could be responsible for increasing the incidence of skin cancer?
- a) Aging population and the delayed effects of earlier sunbathing practices
- b) Global warming
- c) Accelerated carcinogenic effects of ultraviolet exposure in immunosuppressed patients
- d) a & c
- e) All of the above

- 4. According to the author, tacrolimus and pimecrolimus are effective alternatives to topical steroid treatment in which body area?
- a) Face (especially the eyelids)
- b) Trunk
- c) Extensor surfaces
- d) Flexor surfaces
- e) a & d
- 5. Imiquimod cream (5%) is a novel immune response modifier developed to treat:
- a) Planter warts
- b) Perianal and genital warts
- c) Keloids
- d) Paget's disease

(Dermatology; page 86)

- 6. The life cycle of West Nile virus involves transmission from:
- a) Mosquito-bird-mosquito
- b) Bird-mosquito-bird

(Infectious Diseases; page 90)

- 7. The use of cholinesterase inhibitors is now a component of the usual management of which of the following?
- a) Alzheimer's disease
- b) Mixed Alzheimer's disease and vascular dementia
- c) Dementia with Lewy bodies
- d) All of the above

(Neurology; page 99)

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- 8. Most cases of cervical cancer can be attributed to the sexual transmission of the human papillomavirus.
- a) True
- b) False

(Obstetrics and Gynecology; page 101)

- 9. Which of the following is/are not responsible for changes in the treatment of Crohn's disease?
- a) Budesonide
- b) Proton pump inhibitors
- c) Azathioprine
- d) Methotrexate

(Gastroenterology; page 107)

- 10. Which of the following is a new anti-obesity medication?
- a) Pramlintide
- b) Alendronate
- c) Orlistat
- d) Risedronate

- 11. Which of the following is a new medication inhibiting the uptake of cholesterol from the intestinal lumen?
- a) Pramlintide
- b) Ezetimibe
- c) Sibutramine
- d) Risedronate

(Endocrinology; page 112)

- 12. The use of the pneumonia severity index clinical prediction rule can safely reduce admissions for low-risk patients presenting with community-acquired pneumonia.
- a) True
- b) False

(Respirology; page 121)