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Commentary

<u>Erythropoietin (Epo) Does Not Improve the Outcome in Neonatal Hypoxic Ischaemic</u> <u>Encephalopathy</u>

Editorials

New Insights into the Genetic Basis of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome

Original Papers

Placenta Accreta Spectrum: A 2-year Retrospective Observational Study

Hartnett et al describe the management of 9 cases of placenta accreta. Bilateral artery balloon occlusion was undertaken in 8 cases. Caesarean hysterectomy was performed in 7 cases. The median blood loss was 1700 mls.

Safe Management by a Pop-Up Eating Disorder Team

McHugh et al report on the hospital management of 10 cases with an eating disorder. The mean admission BMI was 14.35 Kg/m2, the mean discharge BMI was 16.59 Kg/m2. The mean hospital stay was 38 days. All patients were female, and the mean age was 26 years.

National Audit of Criteria for Pre-Operative Sickle Cell Screening in Children

Sweeney and O'Sullivan examined pre-operative practices for sickle cell screening. They surveyed 14 hospitals providing paediatric anaesthesia services. There were 11 replies. Only 3 hospitals had a formal screening policy in place. The authors recommend the introduction of an agreed national guideline.

Implementing Medical Student Teaching on Gynaecological Healthcare of Transgender Patients

Lee et al describe a gynaecological teaching module about transgender patients for medical students. The 1 hour teaching session was effective in improving the students' knowledge.

SARS-CoV-2 Testing and Patient Waiting Times in the Emergency Department

Reidy et al have examined the effect of Covid testing on patient experience times (PET) in the ED. The mean PET was 20 hours prior to the pandemic and 10 hours and 13 hours respectively during the first and second wave of the pandemic. During the third wave the PET was 11 hours. The authors conclude that the introduction of Covid testing in the ED facilitated appropriate patient placement and reduced PET.

The Effect of COVID-19 on 30-Day Mortality Rates Amongst Fragility Hip Fracture Patients

Medlar et al report on the 30 day mortality in patients with hip fractures during the Covid pandemic. When compared with the pre-pandemic period 2019, there was no significant difference in the mortality rate 5.4% vs 4.3%.

Tuberous Sclerosis: A Rare Disease with An Orphan Complex

Behan et al describe their experiences in the management of patients with Tuberous Sclerosis (TS). There were 41 TS patients attending 2 large epilepsy clinics. The authors point out that TS care is fragmented because there is no specialist TS clinic.

Non-Invasive Prenatal Testing (NIPT) - We Need a National Programme

Petch et al address the issue of non-invasive prenatal testing (NIPT). In a survey of 112 women attending the hospital's maternity services, 60% were unaware of NIPT. Eighty six per cent stated that they would have availed of the service if it was free.

Case Reports

Chiari Malformation Presenting as Headaches Associated with Laughter

Mulroy et al report the case of a 5 year old with a Chiari type 1 malformation. The child presented with episodes of headache accompanied by laughter.

Letters to the Editor

The VACS Opinion Study: Vaccine Attitudes and COVID-19 Safety

Maternal and Neonatal Outcomes During the First Year of the Covid-19 Pandemic

Factors Affecting Exclusive Breastfeeding at a Tertiary Maternity Hospital

<u>Disseminated BCGosis following Systemic Absorption of Mycobacterium Bovis</u>

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Response Letter to Article: An Analysis of E-Scooter Related Trauma

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