Venous thromboembolic diseases: diagnosis, management and thrombophilia testing (update)

Review Questions

Review Question 1

1.1 In people with suspected DVT, what is the diagnostic accuracy of age-adjusted D-dimer tests compared with D-dimer tests without age adjustment?

1.2 In people with suspected DVT, what is the diagnostic accuracy of point-of-care D-dimer tests (POCTs) compared with laboratory tests to identify DVT?

1.3 What is the clinical and cost effectiveness of different pharmacological treatments for people with suspected DVT prior to confirmed diagnosis?

Review Question 2

2.1 In people with suspected PE, what is the diagnostic accuracy of the pulmonary embolism rule-out criteria (PERC)?

2.2 In people with suspected PE, what is the diagnostic accuracy of age-adjusted D-dimer tests compared with D-dimer tests without age adjustment?

2.3 In people with clinically suspected PE, what is the diagnostic accuracy of point-of-care D-dimer tests compared with laboratory tests to identify PE?

2.4 What is the clinical and cost effectiveness of different pharmacological treatments for people with suspected PE prior to confirmed diagnosis?

Review Question 3

3.1 What is the clinical and cost effectiveness of different pharmacological treatments for people with a confirmed diagnosis of DVT?

3.2 What is the clinical and cost effectiveness of different pharmacological treatments for people with a confirmed diagnosis of PE?

Review Question 4

4.1 Do investigations for cancer in people with unprovoked VTE improve outcomes (morbidity and mortality)?

Review Question 5

5.1 What is the clinical and cost effectiveness of outpatient treatment for low-risk suspected or confirmed PE?

Review Question 6

6.1 What factors determine the optimum duration of pharmacological treatment for DVT or PE in people with VTE?

Review Question 7

7.1 What is the effectiveness of inferior vena caval filters to prevent PE in people with confirmed VTE?