

Editorial

Beyond Bleeding: The Critical Partnership of Hematologists and Dentists in Managing Hemorrhagic Diseases

One of the less frequently addressed aspects in the management of hemorrhagic disorders, both primary and secondary, is the crucial need for prophylactic planning when patients require dental procedures. These procedures can vary in invasiveness and associated bleeding risk. Nevertheless, such dental interventions are an inevitable part of the clinical course for patients with coagulation challenges.

This consideration, stemming from the extensive clinical experience of specialized coagulation centers, has led to the development of an OJHM issue dedicated entirely to the dental management of patients with inherited and acquired coagulopathies, vascular diseases predisposing to hemorrhage, and onco-hematological conditions. These patient groups face heightened risks of bleeding or infection when undergoing dental treatments.

Therefore, close collaboration between hematologists and dentists is essential. Furthermore, there is a critical need for dentists with specialized expertise in coagulation disorders. These professionals, beyond adhering to hematologist's prescriptions and established guidelines, must possess the knowledge to effectively manage and resolve hemorrhagic complications that may arise during clinical practice.

This OJHM issue presents nine articles designed to offer easily accessible guidance for dentists. The aim is to equip them with an understanding of the general characteristics of hematological pathologies associated with hemorrhage risk and to facilitate effective communication with the patient's hematologist for optimized dental treatment.

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