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MALTA COLLEGE OF PHARMACY PRACTICE

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME WINTER 2005

in collaboration with
Department of Pharmacy
Department of Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics
University of Malta
National Antibiotic Committee

OPTIMISING ANTIMICROBIAL THERAPY

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

DEAR COLLEAGUE

Antibiotics are widely used both in a hospital setting and in the community. These drugs have altered expectations of life and death and their use has enabled huge advances in medicine. However, studies from various countries, including Malta, show that the use of antibiotics is still far from satisfactory. Inappropriate use of antibiotics negatively affects the patient under treatment and the whole population. The result of misuse of antibiotics results in the development of resistant bacteria necessitating the use of more potent antibiotics leading to increased resistance.

The Malta College of Pharmacy Practice, which is officially represented on the National Antibiotic Committee, has felt the need to address the issue of optimising antibiotic therapy. We believe that the interaction between the workshop leaders and participants will be a step in increasing pharmacists' contribution to enhancing patient care.

We would like to thank our workshop leaders who have kindly agreed to prepare and facilitate these sessions and to the sponsoring companies for their support.

Maria Cordina BPharm(Hons), PhD(QUB)

President
Malta College of Pharmacy Practice

THE IMPACT OF ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE ON THE TREATMENT OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES IN HOSPITAL AND COMMUNITY SETTINGS

Scope

This presentation will focus on the problems resulting from the increasing prevalence of antibiotic resistance within both hospital and community settings, likely factors behind the local increases and possible interventions to reduce the trend. Emphasis will be made on the role of the pharmacist in such initiatives.

Topics to be covered

- The impact of antimicrobial resistance
- Global picture of antibiotic resistance
- Status of resistance in hospital
- Status of resistance in the community
- The link between resistance and consumption
- Local epidemiology of antimicrobial consumption
- Non-prescription use of antibiotics
- Role of infection control in preventing resistance
- Possible interventions to encourage better antibiotic use

Delivered by

Michael A Borg

MD, MSc(Lond), DLShTM, FMCPath, DipHIC

Consultant

Hospital Infection Control, St Luke's Hospital

Chairman

National Antibiotic Committee

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Date Tuesday, 25 January 2005
Time 19:30 for 20:00
Venue Lecture Centre, Car Park 2
University of Malta
Book by Tuesday, 18 January 2005

This workshop provides 4 credits towards the MCPP continuing education requirement.

THE ABUSE OF A MIRACLE

Scope

We will be viewing a short production, which is supported by the European Commission, regarding antibiotic prescribing and dispensing practices. This will be followed by an open discussion from the floor. The discussion is aimed at highlighting problems associated with local current practices and identifying ways in to promote optimal antibiotic use.

Objectives

- To reflect on issues presented in the production
- To comment on their relevance to the local situation
- To perform a self-analysis as to how each individual present is contributing to curbing or increasing the problem of antibiotic resistance.
- To identify practical ways to improve current practices

Delivered by

Peter Zarb BPharm(Hons)

Antibiotic Pharmacist

Infection Control Unit

St Luke's Hospital

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Date Tuesday, 1 February 2005
Time 19:30 for 20:00
Venue Lecture Centre, Car Park 2
University of Malta
Book by Tuesday, 25 January 2005

This workshop provides 4 credits towards the MCPP continuing education requirement.

URINARY INFECTIONS: THE INS AND OUTS

Scope

To familiarise with issues surrounding UTIs

Objectives

- Overview of definitions
- Infecting organisms and some Maltese data
- Presentation of some clinical scenarios
- Management issues

Delivered by

Tonio Piscopo MD, MRCP (UK), DTM&H (Lond)
Senior Registrar
St Luke's Hospital

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Date Tuesday, 8 February 2005
Time 19:30 for 20:00
Venue Lecture Centre, Car Park 2
University of Malta
Book by Tuesday, 1 February 2005

This workshop provides 4 credits towards the MCPP continuing education requirement.

THE USE OF TOPICAL ANTIBIOTIC PREPARATIONS PART 1

Scope

Common skin infections, nasal infections / colonization and bacterial conjunctivitis, amenable to treatment with topical antibiotic preparations are reviewed. The underlying pathology, aetiology, clinical features, appearance, diagnosis and treatment are discussed.

Objectives

- To give an overview of the advantages and disadvantages of topical antibiotic preparations for specific, common, medical conditions
- To highlight the indications for topical antibiotic formulations
- To emphasize important take-home messages

Delivered by

Paul Cuschieri MD, Dip Bact(Manch), FMCPATH, FRCPath
Senior Consultant Bacteriologist i/c
St Luke's Hospital
Senior Lecturer in Microbiology
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Date Tuesday, 15 February 2005
Time 19:30 for 20:00
Venue Lecture Centre, Car Park 2
University of Malta
Book by Tuesday, 8 February 2005

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PHARMACEUTICAL CARE

*...is the responsible provision of drug therapy for the purpose of achieving definite outcomes that improve a patient's quality of life...
...is provided for the direct benefit of the patient and the pharmacist is responsible directly to the patient for the quality of that care."*

C.D. Hepler

RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP

Oct 2004 - Oct 2005

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Lm10 Associate Member (< 30 credits)
Lm10 New Member

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EXCLUSIVE ATTENDANCE

These workshops are being organised for Health Care Professionals. All registered pharmacists are invited to become members of the Malta College of Pharmacy Practice and attend.

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THE USE OF TOPICAL ANTIBIOTIC PREPARATIONS PART 2

Scope

Blepharitis, styes and infected chalazions; and commonly encountered different types of otitis externa are reviewed, emphasizing the efficacy and limitations in the treatment with topical antibiotic preparations for each condition. The underlying pathology, aetiology, clinical features, presentation and diagnosis are discussed. The properties of selected topical antibiotic preparations are given in detail in tabular form.

Objectives

- To give an overview of the advantages and disadvantages of topical antibiotic preparations for specific, common, medical conditions
- To highlight the indications for topical antibiotic formulations
- To emphasize important take-home messages

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THE COMMON VIRAL INFECTIONS... TO RX OR NOT TO RX?

Scope

To discuss practical ways in which to improve antibiotic use

Objectives

- To rationalise antibiotic use
- To cut down on antibiotic misuse
- To improve the resistance profile of the Maltese microflora
- To improve resistance profile between customer/pharmacist and doctor

Delivered by

Charles Mallia Azzopardi
MD, FRCP(Lond), DTM&H(Lond)
Consultant in Internal Medicine and
Infectious Diseases

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Date Tuesday, 1 March 2005
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