

BCSH Haemostasis and Thrombosis Task Force

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Dr Gomez has been the UKHCDO representative in the last but as he has recently become the secretary the UKHCDO will either need to appoint one of the existing members as their representative or recruit a new representative from the membership.

Guidelines Published in Last Year

HT/042 Peri-Operative Management of Anti-Coagulation and Anti-Platelet Therapy. David Keeling, Campbell Tait and Henry Watson

UKHCDO protocol for first line immune tolerance induction for children with severe haemophilia A. UKHCDO Inhibitor and Paediatric Working Parties

HT/034H Guidelines for Clinical Genetics Services for Haemophilia. John Pasi, Ted Tuddenham, Keith Gomez, Mike Laffan, Chris Ludlam, Mike Mitchell, Tony Cumming, Alan Fryer, Heather Skirton, Rezan Kadir, Diane Marshall

Guidelines in Preparation

HT/035H The treatment and prevention of bleeding in heritable platelet disorders (09/09/11) Andrew Mumford (c), Simon Stanworth, Ri Liesner, Mike Makris.

HT/041 Laboratory measurement of new factor VIII and IX molecules (24/1/14) Elaine Gray (c), Ian Jennings, Keith Gomez, Steve Kitchen

HT/043 Use of TEG and TEM in clinical practice. Nicola Curry, Mike Laffan, Andrew Mumford. Liz Chalmers

Management of Inherited Bleeding Disorders in Pregnancy. Sue Pavord, Rachel Rayment, Bella Madan, Tony Cumming, Will Lester, Liz Chalmers, Bethan Myers, Helena Maybury, Claire Tower, Rezan Kadir

BCSH Guidelines Process

This year has seen some significant changes in BCSH with the aim of making the guidelines process consistent with NICE standards. The proposed changes were set out

in last year's report. In February 2016 the BCSH met with representation from all the task forces to consider how best to implement the changes. As a result:

BCSH does not currently adhere to NICE standards partly because there is not a satisfactory process in place to review and update guidelines. The task force has introduced the following process:

- Each current guideline to be reviewed by a committee member prior to each meeting
- Every 5 years a formal literature review for each guideline would be undertaken. This would be undertaken by the chairman of the writing group or working party

For UKHCDO guidelines that are not BCSH approved a similar process is required.

Laboratory Accreditation of Platelet Function Testing

The task force has written to UKAS to because of concerns regarding consistency in the assessment of platelet functions testing by laboratories during accreditation. Proposals for what should be considered acceptable for proficiency testing have been drawn up in conjunction with NEQAS BC and sent to UKAS. The task force is considering publication of guidance on this issue.

Keith Gomez
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