



Pharmacy Grand Rounds

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The R(igh)T way or the highway: Pharmacologic management of radiation therapy (RT) toxicities

Session Date: 08/09/2022

Session Time: 11:00 – 11:45 AM (CST)

Target Audience

This continuing education (CE) session was planned to meet the needs of professional staff who deal with the selection and monitoring of medication(s) as part of their patient care duties, including pharmacists, RNs, APRNs, PAs, MDs.

Activity Overview

Radiation therapy (RT) is one of the three cornerstones of cancer treatment along with surgery and chemotherapy. It is used in more than 50% of patients with cancer, both for curative and palliative purposes. While this can be a very effective technique to kill cancer cells, it can also damage normal tissues leading to toxicities. Numerous pharmacologic treatments have been considered and trialed to prevent and treat radiation toxicities, however not all of them are evidence based, which makes it difficult for practitioners to select the most effective agents for patients. In the current session, I will provide a brief overview of RT and its associated toxicities, followed by a discussion on pharmacologic treatments for RT toxicity management and the evidence that supports their use.

Learning Objectives

At the conclusion of this knowledge-based CE session, participants should be able to:

1. Discuss the basic principles of radiation therapy in the treatment of cancer
2. Describe the etiology and pathophysiology of toxicities caused by radiation therapy
3. Identify which pharmacological treatments for radiation toxicity management are evidence-based

Faculty Information

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