



## Fortnightly TAG Mail – resources list

28<sup>th</sup> March 2024

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### NSW TAG ACTIVITIES

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#### Open email discussions

- 1. DTC assessment process for non-GMO phage therapy applications:** Do NSW TAG members have a process for DTC assessment of these applications and, if so, would they be willing to share it? Closes 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2024
- 2. Handling of medicines by perfusionists:** How are hospitals managing oversight of this type of medicine use? Are other sites using Standing Orders for perfusionists (as suggested by the Medication Handling PD)? Do sites have a perfusionists' imprest list? Has it been expanding and does it include restricted medicines? Is administration documented and if so, where? Closes 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2024.

#### Recently completed email discussions

- DTC pharmacists in NSW
- Patient prioritisation for discharge medication list provision
- Missing medications from wards
- Medication reviews for inpatients in remote Multi-Purpose Services.

#### Upcoming TAG meetings

NSW TAG General Meeting: Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2024 11.30-1pm  
NSW TAG Management Committee 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024 9.45am-11am

#### Updated TAG publications

Coming soon: Updated SGLT2 inhibitor Consumer Leaflet.

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### EDITOR'S PICKS

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WHO: Global burden of preventable medication-related harm in health care: a systematic review - [link](#)

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## **OTHER NEWS (new additions in bold)**

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### **NSW Health**

- Stay safe from mosquitoes this Easter long weekend - [link](#)
- NSW Health consults with staff on updating COVID-19 vaccination requirements - [link](#)
- Measles alert for western Sydney - [link](#)
- Hepatitis C Testing and Care in Alcohol and Other Drug Services ([IB2024\\_015](#))
- Pension Based Fees ([IB2024\\_016](#))
- Clinical Governance in NSW ([PD2024\\_010](#))
- The Use of the Emergency Care Assessment and Treatment (ECAT) Protocols ([PD2024\\_011](#))

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## **REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS – AUSTRALIA**

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### **Agency for Clinical Innovation, NSW (ACI)**

The latest weekly Evidence Digest can be found [here](#)

- NSW Paediatric PCA or NCA chart (SMR130.026) [[presentation](#)]
- NSW Weight Based Paediatric PCA or NCA chart [SMR130031] ([presentation](#))

### **Australian Institute for Health and Welfare (AIHW)**

- Treatment pathways for people hospitalised for acute coronary syndrome - [link](#)
- Better cardiac care measures for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people: eighth national report 2023 - [link](#)
- Acute rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease in Australia, 2022 - [link](#)
- Dementia in Australia - [link](#)

### **PBS Updates- [link](#)**

- Stocktake of PBS medicines available for endometriosis and related conditions Report
- Updates to the HTA Policy and Methods Review Reference Committee – 26 March 2024
- Drug Utilisation Sub-Committee (DUSC) Utilisation Analysis Public Release Documents and Outcome Statement

### **Pharmacy Council of NSW**

- Guidelines on dose administration aids and staged supply of dispensed medicines - [link](#)

### **TGA**

- [Database](#) of section 19A approvals to import and supply medicines to address medicine shortages
- AusPARs:
  - MELATONIN-[LINK](#), IMMELA, MELAKSO, VOQUILY for short-term treatment of jet lag in adults aged 18 and over, and for sleep disorders in children and adolescents with neurodevelopmental disorders
  - Alhemo ([concizumab](#)) is approved to prevent or reduce frequency of bleeding in patients who have haemophilia B with FIX inhibitors

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## **REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS – INTERNATIONAL**

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### **Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) USA**

- ADHD Diagnosis and Treatment in Children and Adolescents - [link](#)

### **British National Formulary**

- BNF/BNFC newsletter: [March 2024](#)

### **Canadian Agency for Drugs and Technologies in Health**

- Utilization Analysis of Tofacitinib and Other Drugs Among Individuals With Ulcerative Colitis: Feasibility Analysis, updated - [link](#)

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- Sodium-Glucose Cotransporter 2 (SGLT2) Inhibitors in Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus, Heart Failure, and Chronic Kidney Disease, updated - [link](#)

### Centre for Perioperative Care UK

- Smoking cessation patient resources: the perioperative care benefits - [link](#)

### electronic Medicines Compendium (eMC) (UK)

- [New products](#)

-- Adacel (diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis vaccine) pre-filled for active immunization in persons from 4 years of age as a booster following primary immunization, and for passive protection against pertussis in early infancy following maternal immunization during pregnancy

-- Entresto (valsartan, sacubitril) capsules for opening – for children and adolescents aged ≥1 year with symptomatic chronic heart failure with left ventricular systolic dysfunction. The capsules should be opened and the granules sprinkled onto a small amount (1-2 teaspoons) of soft food

-- Sendolor (morphine hydrochloride trihydrate) for severe acute pain, cancer pain and breakthrough cancer pain, for IV, subcutaneous, intramuscular, epidural or intrathecal administration

-- Tyruko 300 mg (natalizumab biosimilar) for use as a single disease modifying therapy in adults with highly active relapsing remitting multiple sclerosis (RRMS) despite a full and adequate course of treatment with at least one disease modifying therapy, & in those with rapidly evolving severe RRMS

-- Vanflyta (quizartinib) in combination with cytarabine & anthracycline induction and cytarabine consolidation chemotherapy, followed by quizartinib maintenance monotherapy for adult patients with newly diagnosed FLT3-ITD positive acute myeloid leukaemia

-- Verorab (rabies vaccine) - inactivated rabies vaccine for pre- and post- exposure prophylaxis

- [Revised SPCs](#)

-- AmBisome (amphotericin) - updated with dosing recommendation for Cryptococcal meningitis for people living with HIV; amended dosing recommendations for mycoses and mucormycosis

-- HyQvia (human normal immunoglobulin) - license extension for use as immunomodulatory therapy in adults, children and adolescents (0 to 18 years) in chronic inflammatory demyelinating polyneuropathy (CIDP) as maintenance therapy after stabilisation with IV immunoglobulin

-- Imfinzi (durvalumab) - durvalumab + tremelimumab has been studied in children aged 1-17 years with neuroblastoma, solid tumour and sarcoma (outside the authorised indications), however the results did not allow the conclusion that the benefits of such use outweigh the risks

### European Medicines Agency (EMA)

- CHMP changes to the terms of the marketing authorisation

-- enzalutamide ([Xtandi](#)) – also as monotherapy or in combination with androgen deprivation therapy for treatment of adult men with high risk biochemical recurrent non-metastatic hormone sensitive prostate cancer who are unsuitable for salvage radiotherapy

-- selpercatinib ([Retsevmo](#)) - to include its use for the treatment of adults with advanced RET fusion-positive solid tumours, when treatment options not targeting RET provide limited clinical benefit, or have been exhausted

- CHMP approvals

-- bempedoic acid ([Nilemdo](#)) to reduce cardiovascular risk

-- bimekizumab ([Bimzelx](#)) for severe hidradenitis suppurativa

- CHMP marketing authorisations

-- irinotecan hydrochloride trihydrate ([Onivyde](#) pegylated liposomal) for first-line treatment of metastatic adenocarcinoma of the pancreas

-- aztreonam / avibactam ([Emblaveo](#)) for treatment of multi-drug resistant bacterial infection

-- dantrolene sodium / hemiheptahydrate ([Agilus](#)) for treatment of malignant hyperthermia

-- insulin icodec ([Awiqli](#)) - long-acting basal insulin given subcutaneously once a week

-- intravitreal bevacizumab gamma ([Lytenava](#)) for treatment of neovascular (wet) age-related macular degeneration

-- iptacopan ([Fabhalta](#)) for paroxysmal nocturnal haemoglobinuria

-- dopamine hydrochloride ([Neotricon](#)) for hypotension

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-- porcine pancreas enzymes ([Micrazym](#)) in the EU – evidence comparable to Creon

### **Food and Drug Administration (FDA) USA**

- Approvals- [link](#)
- atidarsagene autotemcel ([Lenmeldy](#)) - gene therapy approved for metachromatic leukodystrophy
- bempedoic acid ([Nexletol](#)) - new indication approved for CV risk reduction
- [givinostat](#) (Duvyzat ) for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy in patients aged 6 years and older – [PI/label](#)
- [mirvetuximab soravtansine-gynx](#) for FRα positive, platinum-resistant epithelial ovarian, fallopian tube, or primary peritoneal cancer
- pemivibart ([Pemgarda](#)) – EUA for monoclonal antibody to prevent COVID-19 in immunosuppressed individuals
- [ponatinib](#) with chemotherapy for newly diagnosed Philadelphia chromosome-positive acute lymphoblastic leukemia
- ravulizumab ([Ultomiris](#)) - C5 complement inhibitor for neuromyelitis optica spectrum disorder
- [resmetirom](#) for adults with noncirrhotic non-alcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH) with moderate to advanced fibrosis – [PI/label](#)
- [Sotatercept-Csrk](#) (Winrevair) - for treatment of adults with pulmonary arterial hypertension
- Tevimbra ([tislelizumab-jsqr](#)) to treat unresectable or metastatic esophageal squamous cell carcinoma
- Tryvio ([aprocitentan](#)) to treat hypertension

### **Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA)**

- Ganaxolone (Ztalmy) for epileptic seizures associated with cyclin-dependent kinase-like 5 (CDKL5) deficiency disorder in children - [link](#)

### **MIMS UK**

- Understanding diabetes technologies: free MIMS online supplement - [link](#)

### **NHS England**

- Clinical commissioning policy: prescribing of gender affirming hormones (masculinising or feminising hormones) as part of the children and young people's gender service – [link](#) – [SPS commentary](#)
- Guidance: Desflurane decommissioning and clinical use - [link](#)

### **NHS Scotland - Scottish Medicines Consortium**

- Accepted for restricted use:
- Nirmatrelvir and ritonavir ([Paxlovid](#)®) for the treatment of Covid-19 in adults

### **National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) UK**

- Meningitis (bacterial) and meningococcal disease: recognition, diagnosis and management ([NG240](#))
- Momelotinib for treating myelofibrosis-related splenomegaly or symptoms ([TA957](#))
- Ovarian cancer: identifying and managing familial and genetic risk ([NG241](#))
- Digital health technologies to help manage symptoms of psychosis and prevent relapse in adults and young people: early value assessment ([HTE17](#))
- Desflurane for maintenance of anaesthesia ([ES41](#))
- Daratumumab in combination for treating newly diagnosed systemic amyloid light-chain amyloidosis ([TA959](#))
- Ritlecitinib for treating severe alopecia areata in people 12 years and over ([TA958](#))

### **National Institute for Health and Care Research (NIHR)**

- NIHR Commentaries
- Children in intensive care have better outcomes with lower oxygen targets - [link](#)
- Irritable bowel syndrome: low-dose antidepressant improves symptoms - [link](#)

### **Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman UK**

- End of life care: improving DNACPR conversations for everyone - [link](#)

### **Scottish Intercollegiate Guideline Network (SIGN) UK**

- Optimising glycaemic control in people with type 1 diabetes, a decision-support toolkit - [link](#)

### **Specialist Pharmacy Services NHS UK**

- Understanding contamination control in pharmacy aseptic services - [link](#)

### **UK Health Security Agency**

- National measles guidelines - update to measles post exposure prophylaxis section - [link](#)

### **World Health Organisation (WHO)**

- Global burden of preventable medication-related harm in health care: a systematic review - [link](#)

- WHO launches new toolkit empowering health professionals to tackle climate change - [link](#)

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## **MEDICATION SAFETY**

### **electronic Medicines Compendium (eMC) (UK)**

- [Revised SPCs](#)

- Benlysta (belimumab) – updated to advise progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy (PML) reported with Benlysta for SLE, to watch for cognitive, neurological or psychiatric symptoms/signs, & action to take if they occur. If PML suspected, Benlysta, must be stopped until PML excluded
- Braftovi (encorafenib) - Tumour Lysis Syndrome added as an ADR with a frequency of 'unknown'
- Clomid (clomifene) should not be given if history of significant, medically confirmed vision disorders related to use of Clomid is known. Information on visual disturbances updated to note some cases have been prolonged or irreversible, especially with increased dose or duration
- Cresemba (isavuconazonium) updated with improved guidance for healthcare professionals in relation to how to manage co-administration of cyclophosphamide with isavuconazole
- Fenpaed Ibuprofen - Fixed drug eruption added as undesirable effect (frequency unknown)
- Lioresal (baclofen) - hypertonia as a symptom of withdrawal/abrupt discontinuation. Undesirable effects added: face swelling and peripheral oedema, alopecia, hypersensitivity, and sexual dysfunction (frequency not known)
- Miprosed (midazolam) - Kounis syndrome added as possible ADR, frequency 'unknown'
- Spikevax bivalent original/Omicron BA.4-5 (50 micrograms/50 micrograms)/mL, Spikevax XBB.1.5 0.1 mg/mL - chronic urticaria as ADR of unknown frequency. It is already noted that urticaria can occur uncommonly with acute or delayed onset (~2 weeks post dose). SPC advises not to give subsequent doses to those with prior severe allergic reactions
- Quinoric (hydroxychloroquine sulfate) - benefits/risk of continuing treatment should be assessed in those with significant liver function abnormalities, and a heading for azithromycin and macrolide antibiotics has been added to the interactions section
- Targinact (oxycodone hydrochloride, naloxone hydrochloride dehydrate) - undesirable effects re-classified as frequency not known: drug dependence (previously rare), drug withdrawal syndrome (previously uncommon), and drug tolerance (previously uncommon)
- Toradol (ketorolac) may cause oligohydramnios resulting from foetal renal dysfunction from the 20th week of pregnancy. It should not be given during the first and second trimester, unless clearly necessary, and is contra-indicated during the third trimester
- Venzip (venlafaxine hydrochloride) XL - risk of hypoglycaemia related to overdose. Severe poisoning symptoms may occur in adults after intake of approximately 3grams of venlafaxine
- Vibramycin-D (doxycycline) - 'Fixed eruption' added as a possible "rare" ADR
- VidPrevtyn Beta (covid-19 Vaccine; recombinant, adjuvanted) - new safety data from 6236 patients in a Phase 3 study. Booster vaccine given ≥4 months after primary series vaccine, with median duration follow up 58 days (84% completing ≥6 weeks follow up). Safety profile consistent with adverse reactions from previous study
- Yescarta (axicabtagene ciloleucel) - JC virus reactivation leading to progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy (PML) in patients also taking other immunosuppressants. Cases with fatal outcome reported & PML should be considered in those with new/worsening neurological symptoms

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- Viread (tenofovir disoproxil fumarate) - 'Bone mineral density decreased' listed as a possible "common" ADR. Warning regarding bone effects amended
- Risk minimisation materials
- Tyruko (natalizumab biosimilar) Physician's guidelines discuss the risk and nature of PML, risk factors for its development, its diagnosis and treatment, specific steps to be taken to minimise this risk and the identification and management of possible sequelae. A patient alert card is also available

#### **FDA**

- Approves safety labelling changes regarding DPD deficiency for fluorouracil injection products - [link](#)
- Warns Consumers to Avoid Certain Topical Pain Relief Products Due to Potential for Dangerous Health Effects - [link](#)

#### **Institute for Safe Medication Practices (ISMP) USA**

- Medication Safety Alert! [March 21, 2024](#)
- Implement Strategies to Prevent Persistent Medication Errors and Hazards: 2024 - [link](#)
- Magnesium sulfate almost administered instead of dexmedetomidine
- Fleet enemas, not as benign as they seem

#### **MedEffect, Canada**

- Ezetrol (ezetimibe) and the Risks of Drug-Induced Liver Injury and Severe Cutaneous Adverse Reactions - [link](#)

#### **Specialist Pharmacy Services NHS UK**

- Treating impetigo topically during breastfeeding - [link](#)
- Using macrolide antibiotics during breastfeeding - [link](#)
- Treating nausea during breastfeeding - [link](#)
- Medication safety update [March 2024](#)

#### **TGA**

- Updated warnings of faricimab (Vabysmo) retinal vasculitis risk - [link](#)
- Metalyse (tenecteplase) 40 mg powder for injection to be discontinued - [link](#)
- Shortages of Estradot (estradiol) transdermal patches to continue - [link](#)
- Product Information safety updates - [March 2024](#)
- Updates to the Prescribing Medicines in Pregnancy database - [March 2024](#)

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### **PAPERS OF INTEREST**

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#### **American Journal of Health-System Pharmacy (AJHP)**

- Considerations of gender-affirming care for transgender and gender-diverse youth - [link](#)
- Iatrogenic hyperchloremia: An overview in hospitalized patients for pharmacists - [link](#)
- Impact of pharmacist-driven referral to increase specialty pharmacy prescription capture - [link](#)
- Standardization of key performance indicators and metrics for investigational drug services (IDS): Consensus recommendations among IDS specialists - [link](#)
- The paradigm to overcome in acute decompensated heart failure - [link](#)
- Evaluating the utility of procalcitonin and a clinical decision support tool to determine duration of antimicrobial therapy for respiratory tract infections - [link](#)
- Analysis of appropriateness and safety when discharging patients on triple-antithrombotic therapies - [link](#)

#### **Arthritis & Rheumatology**

- Effect of Recent Antirheumatic Drug on Features of Rheumatoid Arthritis-Associated Lymphoproliferative Disorders - [link](#)
- Risk of Venous Thromboembolism with Tofacitinib Versus Tumor Necrosis Factor Inhibitors in Cardiovascular Risk-enriched Rheumatoid Arthritis Patients - [link](#)

### **British Journal of Clinical Pharmacology**

- The risk of delirium after sedation with propofol or midazolam in intensive care unit patients - [link](#)
- Assessment and evaluation of prescribing competences: A systematic review and recommendations - [link](#)
- Frailty in clinical drug trials: Frailty assessments, subgroup analyses and outcomes - [link](#)
- Differences in prescribing errors between electronic prescribing and traditional prescribing among medical students: A randomized pilot study - [link](#)
- Therapeutic drug monitoring, liquid biopsies or pharmacogenomics for prediction of human drug metabolism and response - [link](#)
- Innovations in pharmacovigilance studies of medicines in older people - [link](#)

### **British Journal of General Practice**

- Preventive interventions to improve older people's health outcomes: systematic review and meta-analysis - [link](#) – [SPS commentary](#)
- Risk of Parkinson's disease in people with New Onset Anxiety over 50 years - Incidence and Associated Features - [link](#) – [SPS commentary](#)

### **British Medical Journal (BMJ)**

- Impact of chronic oral glucocorticoid treatment on mortality in patients with COVID-19: analysis of a population-based cohort - [link](#)
- Statins, risk, and personalised care - [link](#)
- Current safeguards, risk mitigation, and transparency measures of large language models against the generation of health disinformation: repeated cross sectional analysis – [link](#) – [SPS commentary](#)
- Community based complex interventions to sustain independence in older people: systematic review and network meta-analysis – [link](#) – [SPS commentary](#)
- Practice Pointer: Dry eye disease management - [link](#)
- State of the Art Review: Effectiveness and safety of drugs for obesity - [link](#)

### **BMJ Open**

- Association between benzodiazepine coprescription and mortality in people on opioid replacement therapy: a population-based cohort study - [link](#) – [SPS commentary](#)
- Exploring the pharmacists' role in optimising antithrombotic therapy in primary care: a qualitative study - [link](#)
- Finerenone cardiovascular and kidney outcomes by age and sex: FIDELITY post hoc analysis of two phase 3, multicentre, double-blind trials - [link](#)

### **Cochrane**

- Prophylactic corticosteroids for cardiopulmonary bypass in adult cardiac surgery - [link](#)
- Probiotics for induction and maintenance of remission in ulcerative colitis - [link](#)
- Psychological therapies for depression in older adults residing in long-term care settings - [link](#)

### **Diabetes Care**

- Comparing Continuous Glucose Monitoring and Blood Glucose Monitoring in Adults With Inadequately Controlled, Insulin-Treated Type 2 Diabetes (Steno2tech Study): A 12-Month, Single-Center, Randomized Controlled Trial - [link](#)
- Individualizing Treatment of Type 2 Diabetes After Metformin: More Insights From GRADE - [link](#)
- Effects of tirzepatide versus basal insulins in people with type 2 diabetes and different baseline glycemic patterns: post hoc analyses of the SURPASS-3 and SURPASS-4 trials - [link](#)

### **Drug and Therapeutics Bulletin**

- DTB Select: Does oseltamivir prevent hospitalisation in people with influenza? - [link](#)
- DTB Select: Effect of topical testosterone on pre-diabetes and diabetes - [link](#)
- DTB Select: Use of oral penicillin challenge in low-risk penicillin allergy - [link](#)
- Slynd: does a drospirenone progestogen-only pill offer an advantage? - [link](#)

### **European Heart Journal**

- Inorganic nitrate benefits contrast-induced nephropathy after coronary angiography for acute coronary syndromes: the NITRATE-CIN trial - [link](#)

### **European Journal of Hospital Pharmacy**

- Economic impact of a clinical pharmacist in the orthopaedic sector: a review of the literature - [link](#)  
- The threatened medicines information pharmacist! - [link](#)

### **Health Technology Assessment**

- A randomised, double blind, placebo-controlled trial of a two-week course of dexamethasone for adult patients with a symptomatic Chronic Subdural Haematoma (Dex-CSDH trial) - [link](#)  
- Early switch from intravenous to oral antibiotic therapy in patients with cancer who have low-risk neutropenic sepsis: the EASI-SWITCH RCT - [link](#)  
- Allopurinol and cardiovascular outcomes in patients with ischaemic heart disease: the ALL-HEART RCT and economic evaluation - [link](#)

### **Hosp Pharm**

- Analysis of intervention employability in pharmacy-related medication safety reports at a tertiary medical center - [link](#)

### **International Journal of Clinical Pharmacy**

- The efficacy of zuranolone versus placebo in postpartum depression and major depressive disorder: a systematic review and meta-analysis - [link](#)

### **JAMA**

- Management of Outpatients with Diabetes at High Risk of Hypoglycemia - [link](#)  
- Use of Lecanemab for Patients with Cardiovascular Disease - The Challenge of Uncertainty - [link](#)  
- Stroke Risk After COVID-19 Bivalent Vaccination Among US Older Adults - [link](#) – [SPS commentary](#)  
- Patient page: What Is Perinatal Depression? - [link](#) ; What Is Priapism? - [link](#)  
- Eosinophilic Gastrointestinal Disease – [link](#)  
- Selective Androgen Receptor Modulators—Transformative Drugs or Heralds of the Next Drug Epidemic? - [link](#)

### **JAMA Cardiology**

- Ticagrelor or Clopidogrel Monotherapy vs Dual Antiplatelet Therapy After Percutaneous Coronary Intervention: A Systematic Review and Patient-Level Meta-Analysis - [link](#)

### **JAMA Dermatology**

- Adjuvant Immunotherapy in Stage II Melanoma—Further Risk Stratification is Needed - [link](#)  
- Expert Recommendations on Use of Topical Therapeutics for Vitiligo in Pediatric, Adolescent, and Young Adult Patients - [link](#)  
- Outcome Measurement Instruments Used to Evaluate Dermatologic Adverse Events in Cancer Trials: A Systematic Review - [link](#)

### **JAMA Network Open**

- Intensive vs Conventional Blood Pressure Control After Thrombectomy in Acute Ischemic Stroke - [link](#)  
- Habitual Short Sleep Duration, Diet, and Development of Type 2 Diabetes in Adults - [link](#)

### **JAMA Neurology**

- Risk of Major Congenital Malformations and Exposure to Antiseizure Medication Monotherapy - [link](#)  
- Early Use of Erenumab vs Nonspecific Oral Migraine Preventives: The APPRAISE Randomized Clinical Trial - [link](#)  
- High-Efficacy Therapy Discontinuation vs Continuation in Patients 50 Years and Older with Nonactive MS - [link](#)



### **JAMA Oncology**

- Neoadjuvant Chemoimmunotherapy for NSCLC: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis - [link](#)
- PARP Inhibitors for Breast Cancer Treatment: A Review - [link](#)

### **JAMA Psychiatry**

- Bright Light Therapy as Add-On to Inpatient Treatment in Youth With Moderate to Severe Depression: A Randomized Clinical Trial - [link](#)
- Baseline Antipsychotic Dose and Transition to Psychosis in Individuals at Clinical High Risk: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis - [link](#)

### **Journal of Infection**

- A multicentre observational study to investigate feasibility of a direct oral penicillin challenge in de-labelling 'low risk' patients with penicillin allergy by non-allergy healthcare professionals (SPACE study): Implications for healthcare systems - [link](#)

### **Journal of Pharmacy Practice and Research (JPPR)**

- Cultivating optimal analgesic prescribing practices in a metropolitan hospital network: evaluating an analgesic stewardship program - [link](#)
- Standard of practice in pharmacy informatics - [link](#)
- Reasonable adjustments to application of the Medication Safety Standard for adult patients living with intellectual disability in Australian hospital settings - [link](#)

### **Lancet Diabetes & Endocrinology**

- Tight versus liberal blood-glucose control in the intensive care unit: special considerations for patients with diabetes - [link](#)

### **Lancet Neurology**

- Global, regional, and national burden of disorders affecting the nervous system, 1990–2021: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2021 - [link](#)
- Review: Secondary stroke prevention in people with atrial fibrillation: treatments and trials - [link](#)

### **Lancet Psychiatry**

- Heterogeneity of outcome measures in depression trials and the relevance of the content of outcome measures to patients: a systematic review - [link](#)
- Establishing a research agenda for the study and assessment of opioid withdrawal - [link](#)

### **Lancet Respiratory Medicine**

- Efficacy of oral corticosteroids for acute preschool wheeze: a systematic review and individual participant data meta-analysis of randomised clinical trials - [link](#) – [SPS commentary](#)

### **Medical Journal of Australia**

- Perspectives: Contemporary management of advanced colorectal cancer: the Australian experience - [link](#)

### **New England Journal of Medicine**

- Oral Iptacopan Monotherapy in Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria - [link](#) – [SPS commentary](#)
- Ribociclib plus Endocrine Therapy in Early Breast Cancer - [link](#)
- Risk of Autism after Prenatal Topiramate, Valproate, or Lamotrigine Exposure - [link](#)

### **Pediatrics (American Academy of Pediatrics)**

- Treatments for ADHD in Children and Adolescents: A Systematic Review - [link](#)

### **Pharmaceutical Journal**

- Fourteen nitazenes made Class A controlled drugs - [link](#)

### **Pharmacotherapy**

- Exploring variations in recommended first-choice therapy for complicated urinary tract infections in males: Insights from outpatient settings across age, race, and ethnicity - [link](#)

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### **WEBINARS & PODCASTS**

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#### **Australian Prescriber Podcasts**

- [Episode 160](#) – Ongoing challenges of off-label prescribing

#### **MJA Podcasts**

- [Episode 9](#): Reducing psychological distress among patients after cardiac surgery

#### **SHPA**

- [MedsAware](#): Deprescribing Action Week - available until 21 April 2024