

Hemostasis Study Group Agenda

June 2017

MASCC/ISOO Annual Meeting – Washington, D.C.

1. Measurement of Health-related Quality of Life, Adherence and Health-care Resource Utilization during Anticoagulation Therapy in Cancer-related Venous Thromboembolism (VTE): A time series analysis
Principal Investigator: Cristhiam M. Rojas-Hernandez, MD

Dr. Rojas described his study and welcomed comments. Thus far, sites involved include UT M. D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, TX; the University of South Alabama in Mobile, AL; and the University of Barcelona in Barcelona, Spain. He invited others interested to contact him. A summary of the study will be posted shortly on the MASCC Hemostasis Study Group website.

2. MASCC Venous Thromboembolism Guidelines Development
Dr. Thein Oo, Dr. Taylor Butler

Drs. Oo and Butler presented an overview of preliminary work towards developing MASCC guidelines regarding venous thromboembolism. This effort is at an initial stage, and they invited comments and others to join the workgroup. Scheduled telephone meetings will occur to move this effort further.

3. Development of Hemostasis Study Group Efforts on MASCC Website

There is potential to increase our study group's visibility and enhance communications via the website. Discussion regarding types of postings (slide presentations of the workshop lectures, prominent articles in the field, publications by members of the study group, other organizations' guidelines) occurred. An invitation was left open for a member of the study group to lead this effort and work as a liason with Toni Clark (MASCC website liason). Please contact any of the study group leaders if interested (Carmen Escalante, Carme Font, Tom Butler).

4. Hemostasis Education Subgroup

Our subgroup has worked well in collaboration with the Education Study Group led by Paz Fernandez and Judy Phillips. There is an opportunity to develop educational materials focused on VTE and other areas of hemostasis aimed towards patients, caregivers, and clinicians. Paz and Judy will lead this initiative. In interested in working in this area, please contact them.

5. Hemostasis Study Group Communications Network

Improving communication to study group members was discussed. During the past year, study group leadership had a telephone conference monthly to discuss ongoing projects and opportunities. Leadership sent written communications to members via email usually every 2 to 3 months to update them on activities. Ideas for further communication efforts and further engagement of membership are welcome.

6. Membership Recruitment

Members were asked to invite others to join our study group. We would like to increase our study group membership over the next several years. In addition, members were also asked to invite colleagues to join MASCC.