

## ASSESSMENT OF 30 MCQs

**FPSC No : 68**  
**MCQS ON CARDIOVASCULAR DISORDERS 2**  
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**INSTRUCTIONS**

- To submit answers to the following multiple choice questions, you are required to log on to the College Online Portal ([www.cfps2online.org](http://www.cfps2online.org))
- Attempt ALL the following multiple choice questions.
- There is only ONE correct answer for each question.
- The answers should be submitted to the College of Family Physicians Singapore via the College Online Portal before the submission deadline stated above.

- Based on the artery-size hypothesis for the sequential development of erectile dysfunction and coronary artery disease, the size of the penile arteries are:**
  - 1–2mm.
  - 3–4mm.
  - 5–6mm.
  - 7–8mm.
  - 9–10mm.
- The most important drug to use in patients with severe gout is**
  - Indomethacin.
  - Etoricoxib.
  - Diclofenac.
  - Allopurinol.
  - Prednisolone.
- Diet and exercise are key pillars in the management of DM patients because:**
  - Reducing intake of red meat will raise the HDL-C.
  - Exercise will reduce the LDL-C by 20 percent.
  - Reducing the carbohydrate intake will reduce the glucose and LDL-C.
  - Exercise can raise the HDL-C and the TG.
  - Good dietary intervention can reduce the LDL-C by 10–20 percent.
- In the physiology of erection, nitric oxide leads to:**
  - Relaxation of the cavernous smooth muscle.
  - Decreased blood flow to the corpus cavernosum.
  - Increased blood flow to the efferent veins.
  - Contraction of the cavernous smooth muscle.
  - Increase cAMP in the cavernous smooth muscle.
- In a 62-year-old patient with type 2 DM and urinary albumin excretion (UACR) of 135 mg/g (normal < 30mg/g) and clinic BP of 135/70 mmHg, what is the best management plan?**
  - Start Losartan and titrate up
  - Start Spironolactone and ARB as combination
  - Start low-protein diet.
  - Target SBP < 120
  - There is no need presently for any anti-hypertensive
- Which of the following is not true about patients with Osteoarthritis?**
  - They tend to be older.
  - They have significant inflammation in the joints.
  - They are more prone to gastrointestinal side effects of NSAIDs.
  - They are more prone to cardiovascular side effects.
  - All of the above.
- Approximately what percentage of AMI is accounted for by 9 reversible risk factors in the INTERHEART Study?**
  - About 30%.
  - About 50%.
  - About 70%.
  - About 90%.
  - About 99%.
- Which of the following is not a CVD equivalent?**
  - Peripheral artery disease.
  - Type 2 diabetes.
  - Previous stroke or TIA.
  - Previous or current angina.
  - Abdominal aortic aneurysm.

- 9. Compared to other NSAIDs and coxibs, celecoxib has the following advantage**
- It has less upper-GI side effects.
  - It has less lower-GI side effects.
  - It is cheaper.
  - It is more convenient to take.
  - It is more effective.
- 10. According to the 2013 ACC/AHA guideline on assessment of CV risk, when and how often should assessment for traditional CV risk factors be carried out?**
- From 40 years of age, every 3–5 yearly.
  - From 30 years of age, every 4–6 yearly.
  - From 20 years of age, every 4–6 yearly.
  - From 18 years of age, every 3–5 yearly.
  - From 25 years of age, every 2–3 yearly.
- 11. The SPRINT trial had the following study population except:**
- Patient aged 50 years and older.
  - Patients without DM.
  - Patients with high risk of CV disease including stroke and heart failure.
  - Patients with CKD stage 3 and 4.
  - Patients with 10-year Framingham score  $\geq 15\%$
- 12. Which of the following cardiovascular factor is considered low-risk for sexual activity?**
- Moderate angina.
  - NYHA Class II.
  - Post-successful coronary revascularization.
  - Hypertrophic obstructive cardiomyopathy.
  - Recent MI  $< 6$  weeks.
- 13. Which of the following tests is not considered a first-line evaluation for all men with erectile dysfunction?**
- Fasting glucose.
  - Exercise stress test.
  - Total testosterone.
  - Serum creatinine.
  - Fasting lipids.
- 14. The following were significantly increased in the intensive treatment arm of the SPRINT trial except:**
- Syncope.
  - Bradycardia.
  - Acute kidney injury.
  - Hyponatremia.
  - Hypokalemia
- 15. The adverse effects of statin therapy are as follows:**
- Deterioration of glycaemic control in DM patients.
  - Haemorrhagic strokes in 5–10 percent of patients.
  - The myopathy is irreversible even when the statin therapy is stopped.
  - Statin therapy over 5 years resulted in 0.05 percent of patients with myopathy.
  - Earlier onset of dementia.
- 16. Which of the following are reversible risk factors of CVD?**
- Physical activity level, family history.
  - Age, daily consumption of fruits and vegetables.
  - Gender, excessive alcohol consumption.
  - Smoking, hypertension, stress.
  - Ethnic group, diabetes.
- 17. The benefits of statin therapy are dependent on the individual's absolute atherosclerotic risk. Therefore:**
- All DM patients should be classified as coronary risk equivalent.
  - DM patients without pre-existing CVD but with elevated LDL-C ( $< 2.6$  mmol/l) will not benefit from statin therapy.
  - DM patients with chronic kidney disease should have aggressive lipid-lowering therapy.
  - Statin therapy will not lower cardiovascular events in DM patients with pre-existing CVD.
  - They should have lipid panel screened only if they have pre-existing CVD.
- 18. In the CNT trial, the following drug had the most favourable profile for CV risk**
- Naproxen.
  - Etoricoxib.
  - Diclofenac.
  - Ibuprofen.
  - Piroxicam.
- 19. The principles of lipid-lowering therapy in DM patients are as follows:**
- Statin therapy is first-line therapy in those with elevated LDL-C ( $> 2.6$  mmol/l)
  - Fibrates can be used as an alternative first line therapy in those with LDL-C  $> 2.6$  mmol/l
  - Statins must never be used in combination with fibrates.
  - Elevated TG ( $> 4.5$  mmol/l) does not need treatment with fibrates since it has not been shown does not reduce CVD risk.
  - Ezetimibe should not be added to statin therapy if LDL-C is not reached since there is no evidence that it reduces cardiovascular events.

- 20. For patients with osteoarthritis who have both high GI and CV risks, the best strategy is to**
- Use a selective COX2 inhibitor.
  - Use naproxen.
  - Use diclofenac.
  - Avoid NSAIDs or coxibs if possible.
  - Use ibuprofen.
- 21. Which of the following are considered risk factors for both erectile dysfunction and cardiovascular disease?**
- Diabetes mellitus.
  - Smoking.
  - Testosterone deficiency syndrome.
  - Obesity.
  - All of the above.
- 22. The ABPM has the following advantage over HBPM except:**
- It can show night-time dipping pattern.
  - It allows high frequency BP measurement to better assess variability.
  - It helps detect early morning BP surge.
  - It allows the diagnosis of white-coat hypertension to be made.
  - It can evaluate dipping pattern.
- 23. Which of the following patient has a diagnosis of hypertension according to the ESH-ESC 2013 guidelines:**
- Clinic BP of SBP 137 and DBP 83.
  - HBPM with average SBP 127 and DBP 73.
  - 24hr ABPM with average SBP of 127 and DBP 73.
  - Average night-time BP of 127 and DBP 73.
  - Average ABPM day-time SBP 133 and DBP 83
- 24. Which non-traditional risk markers may be considered when a risk-based decision is uncertain after quantitative risk assessment?**
- Family history, CAC, ABI.
  - Apo-B, hsCRP, CKD.
  - Albuminuria, cardiorespiratory fitness, CAC.
  - CAC, hsCRP, CKD.
  - Lp(a), hsCRP, proBNP.
- 25. The following statement regarding diabetic patients in Singapore is true when compared with DM patients elsewhere.**
- They develop coronary events at an earlier age.
  - Almost 60 percent die as a consequence of cardiovascular disease.
  - They do not respond well to lipid lowering therapy.
  - The lipid profile is an isolated high triglyceride.
  - They are more likely to develop myopathy with statin therapy.
- 26. Which of the following is not true regarding Charcot's joint?**
- Occurs when diabetic nerve damage causes a joint to break down
  - Commonly affects feet and ankles of patients with diabetes
  - The affected joint must be kept mobile to prevent further damage
  - Early diagnosis and intervention can prevent further damage
  - Spirometric diagnosis.
- 27. Which of the following is true regarding nociceptive pain?**
- Caused by an inflammatory response to an overt tissue-damaging stimulus
  - Described as shooting, electric shock-like, burning – commonly associated with tingling or numbness
  - Occurs in the neurological territory of the affected structure
  - Almost always associated with a chronic condition
  - Responds poorly to conventional analgesics
- 28. Which of the following is not true regarding neuropathic pain?**
- Described as shooting, electric shock-like, burning – commonly associated with tingling or numbness
  - Occurs in the neurological territory of the affected structure
  - The painful region is always same as the site of injury
  - Almost always associated with a chronic condition
  - Responds poorly to conventional analgesics
- 29. How long does pain have to remain for it to be considered chronic?**
- >1 month
  - >12 months
  - >9 months
  - >4 months
  - >3 months
- 30. A 60 year old man suffered of in and needles in the legs, ataxia and glove and stocking sensation. What is the diagnosis?**
- Diabetic Amyotrophy
  - Guillain-Barré syndrome
  - Vitamin B 12 deficiency
  - Diabetic neuropathy
  - Charcot-Marie-Tooth Disease