



## SAJS CPD QUESTIONS

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### A retrospective review of the management and outcome of patients with retained intrathoracic foreign bodies

1. When comparing open surgery to video-assisted thoracoscopic surgery (VATS) in the trauma patient, which of the following statements is TRUE:

- Open thoracotomy is not likely to be helpful if VATS had failed to identify the location of the foreign body.
- Most endobronchial foreign bodies will be successfully removed with VATS compared to open thoracotomy.
- Foreign bodies in the pleural cavity are more likely to be removed with VATS compared to the mediastinum.
- VATS is more likely to lead to long hospital stays after foreign body removal compared to open thoracotomy.

### A comparison of presenting symptoms and signs to CT-angiogram and contrast swallow in penetrating neck injury

2. In patients with penetrating neck trauma, the modern approach to imaging and management of haemodynamically stable patients is the selective use of imaging, following:

- A zonal approach with CT-angiogram for only Zone 2 combined with contrast swallow.
- Contrast swallow for all patients with any symptoms but no signs if CT-angio normal.
- Doppler angiography is more reliable in Zone 1 and Zone 3 combined with contrast swallow.
- The no-zone approach with CT-angiogram and/or contrast swallow for all with signs.

### Gastrointestinal obstruction in neonates and infants – a four-year profile in Chris Hani Baragwanath Academic Hospital

3. What was identified as a major contributor to postoperative morbidity and mortality in neonates and infants at Chris Hani Baragwanath Academic Hospital?

- Delayed presentation
- Nosocomial sepsis
- Limited theatre availability
- Incorrect antibiotic use

### Retroperitoneal necrotising fasciitis – perils of obesity and acute appendicitis

4. Both the LRINEC and SIARI scoring systems measure the following common laboratory markers, except:

- White blood cell count
- Potassium
- C-reactive protein
- Creatinine

### Wilkie's syndrome: a fortuitous finding

5. What is the typical aortomesenteric angle in a healthy individual?

- 10–20°
- 22–28°
- 30–40°
- 45–60°

### A rare condition that may be confused with testicular torsion in children – testicular band

6. Which statement is not appropriate for testicular band?

- The aetiology of testicular band is unknown.
- Clinically, it is often confused with testicular torsion.
- The use of antibiotics and anti-inflammatories is sufficient for its treatment.
- Testicular band is extremely rare and causes severe testicular ischaemia.

### Time to operative care for breast cancer in the Cape Metro West region

7. According to the South African Breast Cancer Control Policy, women with a confirmed breast cancer diagnosis should start definitive treatment within how many days?

- 40
- 36
- 50
- 31

### The epidemiology of acid burns in an academic hospital in South Africa: nine-year audit

8. What is the mortality associated with inhalational injury in acid burns cases?

- 75%
- 50%
- 100%
- 25%

### Colonic obstruction secondary to trauma-induced intramural haematoma: a rare case report

9. Which one of the following is not a recognised risk factor for the development of an intramural haematoma?

- Haemophilia
- Anticoagulation therapy
- Hypertension
- Lymphoma

### Isolated peritoneal hydatid disease: a rare case report

10. Which of the following is NOT a classic sign of a hydatid cyst on imaging?

- Water lily sign
- Daughter cysts
- Sunburst sign
- Hydatid sand

### Outcomes of laparoscopic inguinal hernia repairs: an eleven-year experience in a private surgical practice

11. What laparoscopic technique was used exclusively in all the hernia repairs in this study?

- Open mesh hernioplasty
- Shouldice repair
- Transabdominal preperitoneal (TAPP)
- Total extraperitoneal (TEP)

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