

Pharmacy Grand Rounds

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Belatacept: Beyond the Beans in Solid Organ Transplantation

Session Date: 09/07/2021

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

Belatacept is one of the newest agents used for immunosuppression for the prevention of acute rejection following kidney transplantation. It provides an alternative to the “backbone of immunosuppression”, calcineurin inhibitors, which are associated with significant toxicities, including renal dysfunction. The use of belatacept in solid organ transplant recipients other than kidney recipients remains controversial in terms of its efficacy and safety, yet questions arise regarding its use when patients experience toxicities. To help address these questions, this presentation will review the current literature available about belatacept use in organs other than kidneys.

Learning Objectives

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

1. Describe the mechanism of action of belatacept.
2. Recognize the role of belatacept in immunosuppression therapy.
3. Identify a patient in whom belatacept therapy may be considered.

Faculty Information

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 - Belatacept

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