TRENDS IN INVASIVE FUNGAL INFECTIONS (IFI) IN HAEMATOLOGY-ONCOLOGY PATIENTS

Prince Edward Island Convention Centre
Saturday, April 18, 2015
12:30 pm - 2:30 pm
(Lunch will be served)
Room: Archibald/Campbell/Cartier/Langevin

IFI (Invasive Fungal Infections) in haematology-oncology patients remain a common complication of the underlying diseases and their treatments. The changing clinical and microbiological trends of IFI in Canada in this group of patients will be discussed. Recent advances, as well as challenges, in the diagnosis of IFI will be reviewed. The impact of currently available diagnostic techniques on treatment decisions in this group of high risk patients will be highlighted. Through illustrative cases with audience participation, the shifting strategies in IFI management (empirical vs. preemptive vs. prophylaxis) will be discussed.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES
By the end of this program, participants will have a better understanding of:
• The epidemiological data on the burden of IFI in Canada
• The role of imaging and microbiological tools in the diagnosis of IFI
• The shifting strategies in IFI Management (empirical vs. preemptive vs. prophylaxis)
• The spectrum of antifungal therapeutics with an overview of new agents and new formulations

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