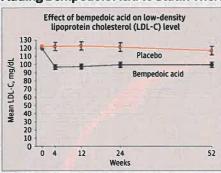
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Adding Bempedoic Acid to Statin Therapy



Clinical guidelines recommend that patients with atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD) who do not achieve sufficient reductions in low-density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL-C) with statin therapy should also be treated with nonstatin agents. Goldberg and colleagues randomized 779 patients with ASCVD or familial hypercholesterolemia who were receiving maximally tolerated statins and

found that the addition of bempedoic acid resulted in a significant lowering of LDL-C over 12 weeks. In an Editorial, Honigberg and Natarajan note that clinical guidelines have endorsed stringent LDL-C reduction for patients at high risk for ASCVD.

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Survival Benefit of Heart Transplant Centers

In the United States, heart transplant centers select candidates for transplant and provide advanced therapies for heart failure. Parker and colleagues conducted a registry-based study of 29 199 heart transplant candidates and found that transplant center was associated with the survival benefit of transplant. In an Editorial, Sandhu and colleagues suggest that risk scoring and regionalization may improve the allocation of donor hearts.

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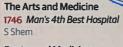
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