

**WHY I DON'T DO CAS
IN OCTOGENERIANS ?**

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QUESTION IS PARTLY PHILOSOPHICAL

- MY ANSWER TO THIS QUESTION WILL BE SOMEWHAT PHILOSOPHICAL
- HIGHLIGHT JUDGEMENT
- ADDRESS THE MOTIVES WHY WE DO Rx PROCEDURES

QUESTION #1

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IN OCTOGENERIANS ?

**ANSWERING THAT IS
EASY SO I WILL ALSO
ADDRESS 2ND QUESTION**

**WHEN MAY CAS BE
JUSTIFIED IN OCTOS ?**

WHY I DON'T DO CAS IN OCTOGENERIANS ?

- **ADVERSE EVENT RATES
ARE HIGH IN OCTOS**
- **LENNOX HILL, CREST,
CAPTURE, PITTSBURG,
ETC, ETC, ETC**
- **EXCEPTIONS (EXPERTS-WOW,
USE & ADVISE SELECTIVITY)**

WHY I DON'T DO CAS IN OCTOGENERIANS ?

- I AM NOT HIGH VOLUME CAS
- I GENERALLY DO NOT TREAT ASYMPTOMATIC EASY PTS
- I CAN DO CEA IN SX OCTOS WITH LOW & LOWER AER
- NOT DOING CAS IN OCTOS
IS A NO-BRAINER

**WHY I DON'T DO CAS
IN OCTOGENERIANS ?**

**ARE THERE
EXCEPTIONS ?**

OF COURSE THERE ARE

#2 WHEN MAY CAS BE JUSTIFIED IN OCTOS?

**OF COURSE AGE IS A
RELATIVE THING
YOUNG SX OCTO W/ YOUNG ARCH
PROVIDED SOME CONDITIONS
EXIST**

#2 WHEN MAY CAS BE JUSTIFIED IN OCTOS?

- IF SX PT REALLY NEEDS RX & CAN'T
 - FOR SURG REASONS - HAVE CEA
 - RECURRENT SX, INFECTED NECK TRACHEOSTOMY, HIGH LESION
- OPERATOR HAS GOOD RESULTS IN OCTOGENERIANS
- RARE - Rx NOT ALWAYS NEEDED

WHEN MAY CAS BE JUSTIFIED IN OCTOS?

- **CONSIDER CERVICAL APPROACH IF BAD ARCH**
- **INFORM PATIENT OF RISKS**
- **REFER PATIENT**
- **NOT EVERY SX PATIENT NEEDS TREATMENT (75%)**

PHILOSOPHICAL POINTS

- **EVEN THOUGH WE ARE SKILLED INTERVENTIONISTS & CAN DO AMAZING THINGS**
- **WE MUST EXERCISE JUDGEMENT**
- **SOME PTS ARE BEST UNTREATED**
- **CANNOT AND SHOULD NOT FIX EVERY LESION IN EVERY PT**
- **APPLIES TO SOME OCTOGENS**

MOTIVES FOR US TO DO CAS & CEA

- TO HELP PATIENTS—MAKE PTS BETTER
- GRATIFYING & SATISFYING, NEW EXCIT
- CHALLENGING, FUN WITH TOYS
- ACADEMICALLY REWARDING
- FINANCIALLY REWARDING
- OUR HOSPITAL BENEFITS
- IMPROVE OUR RESULTS
- CREDENTIALING ISSUE
- INCREASE PRACTICE

**URGE ALL OF US INVOLVED IN
AGGRESSIVELY TREATING
PATIENTS WITH VASCULAR
LESIONS TO KEEP IN MIND
THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF Rx
TO BENEFIT PATIENTS &
NOT BE SEDUCED BY THESE
ATTRACTIVE SECONDARY
MOTIVES & BENEFITS
TRUE WITH OCTOS & ASX PTS**

SUMMARY

- I & MOST DON'T NEED TO DO CAS IN OCTOS
- THERE ARE USUALLY OTHER GOOD OPTIONS
- EXCEPTIONS-VERY RARE
- KEEP R/B RATIO IN MIND

