Hypersensitivity Pneumonitis

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TARGET AUDIENCE
Attending physicians, house staff/fellows, medical students, nurses, physician assistants.

NEEDS ASSESSMENT
Hypersensitivity pneumonitis (HP) is a form of interstitial lung disease incited by exposure to mostly organic antigens occurring in susceptible individuals. Fibrotic and non-fibrotic HP forms exist. The contribution of exposures to interstitial lung diseases is often overlooked; however, identification and subsequent exposure cessation can lead to clinical improvement and even in patients with fibrotic disease or stabilization of disease in the appropriate settings. In addition to clinical history, several radiographic and pathologic clues should signal a search for a possible antigen. Corticosteroids and immunosuppression may have a role. Additionally, there is a growing interest in a possible role for antifibrotics for fibrotic HP patients.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES
At the conclusion of this activity, participants will:
1. To understand the diagnostic approach to fibrotic and non-fibrotic interstitial lung disease
2. To understand the basic treatment approach
3. To develop a basic understanding of the principles of exposure assessment including both its importance and limitations

DESIGNATION STATEMENT
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