

Regimen Reference Order – LYMP – alemtuzumab (IV)

ARIA: LYMP – [alemtuzumab (IV)]

Planned Course: Three times per week for 13 weeks

Indication for Use: T-cell prolymphocytic leukemia

CVAD: At Provider's Discretion

Proceed with treatment if:

ANC equal to or greater than $0.25 \times 10^9/L$ AND Platelets equal to or greater than $25 \times 10^9/L$

❖ Contact Physician if parameters not met

SEQUENCE OF MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION

Pre-treatment Requirements

| Drug | Dose | CCMB Administration Guideline |
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| allopurinol* | 300 mg | Orally once daily for 10 days to begin 3 days prior to Dose 1 and at provider's discretion for subsequent doses (Self-administered at home) *Only patients at risk of tumor lysis syndrome will be prescribed allopurinol |

Treatment Regimen – LYMP – alemtuzumab (IV)

Establish primary solution 500 mL of: normal saline

| Drug | Dose | CCMB Administration Guideline |
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| Week 1 – Three doses per week (usually given on three consecutive days) | | |
| Dose 1 | | |
| acetaminophen | 975 mg | Orally 30 minutes prior to alemtuzumab |
| cetirizine | 10 mg | Orally 30 minutes prior to alemtuzumab |
| dexamethasone | 12 mg | IV in normal saline 50 mL over 15 minutes |
| Wait 30 minutes after completion of IV pre-medication(s) before starting alemtuzumab | | |
| alemtuzumab | 3 mg | IV in normal saline 100 mL over 2 hours |
| meperidine | 25 to 50 mg | IV push over 5 minutes if needed for the treatment of rigors |
| Dose 2 | | |
| acetaminophen | 975 mg | Orally 30 minutes prior to alemtuzumab |
| cetirizine | 10 mg | Orally 30 minutes prior to alemtuzumab |
| dexamethasone | 12 mg | IV in normal saline 50 mL over 15 minutes |
| Wait 30 minutes after completion of IV pre-medication(s) before starting alemtuzumab | | |

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| alemtuzumab | 10 mg | IV in normal saline 100 mL over 2 hours |
| meperidine | 25 to 50 mg | IV push over 5 minutes if needed for the treatment of rigors |
| Dose 3 | | |
| acetaminophen | 975 mg | Orally 30 minutes prior to alemtuzumab |
| cetirizine | 10 mg | Orally 30 minutes prior to alemtuzumab |
| dexamethasone | 12 mg | IV in normal saline 50 mL over 15 minutes |
| Wait 30 minutes after completion of IV pre-medication(s) before starting alemtuzumab | | |
| alemtuzumab | 30 mg | IV in normal saline 100 mL over 2 hours |
| meperidine | 25 to 50 mg | IV push over 5 minutes if needed for the treatment of rigors |
| Week 2 | | |
| Three times per week (usually Monday, Wednesday and Friday) | | |
| acetaminophen | 975 mg | Orally 30 minutes prior to alemtuzumab |
| cetirizine | 10 mg | Orally 30 minutes prior to alemtuzumab |
| dexamethasone | 12 mg | IV in normal saline 50 mL over 15 minutes |
| Wait 30 minutes after completion of IV pre-medication(s) before starting alemtuzumab | | |
| alemtuzumab | 30 mg | IV in normal saline 100 mL over 2 hours |
| meperidine | 25 to 50 mg | IV push over 5 minutes if needed for the treatment of rigors |
| Weeks 3 to 13 | | |
| Three times per week (usually Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays) | | |
| acetaminophen | 975 mg | Orally 30 minutes prior to alemtuzumab |
| cetirizine | 10 mg | Orally 30 minutes prior to alemtuzumab |
| dexamethasone | 4 mg | IV in normal saline 50 mL over 15 minutes |
| Wait 30 minutes after completion of IV pre-medication(s) before starting alemtuzumab | | |
| alemtuzumab | 30 mg | IV in normal saline 100 mL over 2 hours |
| meperidine | 25 to 50 mg | IV push over 5 minutes if needed for the treatment of rigors |

In the event of an infusion-related hypersensitivity reaction, refer to the ‘Hypersensitivity Reaction Standing Order’

REQUIRED MONITORING

Baseline

- Hepatitis B serology

Weekly (Monday of each week)

- CBC, serum creatinine, urea, liver enzymes, electrolytes and CMV via PCR as per Physician Orders

alemtuzumab monitoring

- Full vital signs (temperature, heart rate, respiratory rate, blood pressure and O₂ saturation) at baseline and as clinically indicated
- Weeks 1 and 2: Observe patient for 1 hour after administration. Full vital signs prior to discharge
- Weeks 3 to 13: No observation period required. Patient can be discharged from treatment room if stable whether they had a reaction or not

Recommended Support Medications

| Drug | Dose | CCMB Administration Guideline |
|-------------------------------|------------|--|
| valACYclovir | 500 mg | Orally once daily |
| sulfamethoxazole-trimethoprim | 800/160 mg | Orally twice daily on Saturdays and Sundays only |
| metoclopramide | 10 – 20 mg | Orally every 4 hours as needed for nausea and vomiting |

DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS

- Patient should be instructed to contact their cancer team immediately if symptoms of hypersensitivity reactions occur after discharge
- Instruct patient to continue taking anti-emetic(s) and support medications at home

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Administering nurse must document any infusion-related reactions with any dose of alemtuzumab
- Patients on alemtuzumab should receive irradiated blood products
- valACYclovir (shingles prophylaxis) and sulfamethoxazole-trimethoprim (*Pneumocystis jirovecii* pneumonia prophylaxis) continue while on treatment and for 6 months after discontinuation of treatment due to risk of prolonged immunosuppression
- On Week 1, treatment can be started on any day of the week. Maximum alemtuzumab dose is 90 mg over a 7-day period
- Administration site restrictions are in place for alemtuzumab. alemtuzumab must be administered at CCMB MacCharles or Tache in Winnipeg