

## Lomustine, Cisplatin and Vincristine (CCisV)

### Indication

Adjuvant treatment for adult patients with medulloblastoma.

### Regimen details

Day	Drug	Route	Fluid	Time
1	Lomustine 75mg/m <sup>2</sup>	Oral		Stat
	Vincristine 1.5mg/m <sup>2</sup> (max 2mg)	IV	50ml 0.9% sodium chloride	5 mins
	20mmol potassium chloride & 10mmol magnesium sulphate	IV	1 litre 0.9% sodium chloride	2 hours
	Cisplatin 70mg/m <sup>2</sup>	IV	1 litre 0.9% sodium chloride	2 hours
	20mmol potassium chloride & 10mmol magnesium sulphate	IV	1 litre 0.9% sodium chloride	2 hours
8	Vincristine 1.5mg/m <sup>2</sup> (max 2mg)	IV	50ml 0.9% sodium chloride	5 mins
15	Vincristine 1.5mg/m <sup>2</sup> (max 2mg)	IV	50ml 0.9% sodium chloride	5 mins

### Cycle frequency

Every 6 weeks (42 days)

### Number of cycles

6 cycles

### Administration

As per regimen details

### Pre-medication

Dexamethasone, aprepitant, ondansetron and olanzapine

### Emetogenicity

This regimen has high emetogenic potential

### Additional supportive medication

Metoclopramide 10mg po tds prn

### Extravasation

Vincristine and Cisplatin are vesicants.

### Investigations – pre first cycle

Investigation	Validity period
FBC	14 days

U+E (including creatinine)	14 days
LFT (including AST)	14 days

### Investigations –pre subsequent cycles

FBC, U+E (including creatinine), LFT (including AST)

### Standard limits for administration to go ahead

If blood results not within range, authorisation to administer **must** be given by prescriber/ consultant.

Investigation	Limit
Neutrophil count	$\geq 1.0 \times 10^9/L$
Platelet count	$\geq 100 \times 10^9/L$
Creatinine clearance	$\geq 60 \text{ mL/min}$
Bilirubin	$\leq 1.5 \times \text{ULN}$
AST	$< 1.5 \times \text{ULN}$

### Dose modifications

#### • Haematological toxicity

Neutrophils $< 1$ or platelets $< 100$	Delay chemotherapy for at least 1 week
If lack of recovery after $> 2$ weeks (neutrophils $< 1$ or platelets $< 100$ )	Give cisplatin and vincristine (omit lomustine)
If recovered prior to next cycle	Reintroduce lomustine at $50\text{mg/m}^2$
If neutrophils $< 0.5$ and episode of neutropenic fever at any time	Reduce lomustine to $50\text{mg/m}^2$
If further episode of neutropenia and fever	Reduce cisplatin to $50\text{mg/m}^2$
If platelets $< 30$ and/or platelet transfusion required	Reduce lomustine to $50\text{mg/m}^2$
If further episode of thrombocytopenia (platelets $< 30$ )	Omit lomustine

#### • Renal impairment

GFR(ml/min)	Cisplatin dose	Lomustine dose
$> 60$	100%	100%
45-59	75%	75%
30-45	Consider carboplatin (AUC5)	50%
$< 30$		Not recommended

#### • Hepatic impairment

Bilirubin/ $\mu\text{mol/L}$	AST/ALT /units	Vincristine Dose
26-51	or 60-180	50%
$> 51$	and below upper limit of normal	50%
$> 51$	and $> 180$	Omit

#### • Other toxicities

##### Ototoxicity

Brock / CTC (SIOP) Grading:

0	Loss $< 40$ db on all frequencies
1	Loss at least 40 db at 8000 Hz
2	Loss at least 40db at 4000 Hz
3	Loss at least 40 db at 2000 Hz
4	Loss at least 40 db at 1000 Hz

Grade	Modification
0-1	None
2	Substitute carboplatin AUC5 for cisplatin
3-4	Omit platinum

## Neurotoxicity

Vincristine associated seizures or ileus. N.B. Rule out SIADH as a cause of seizures.	Omit vincristine during current cycle of chemotherapy and reduce by 25% for next cycle. If seizures or ileus do not recur, then return to full dose.
Parasthesia, weakness, abdominal pain or constipation	Omit next vincristine dose but on recovery reintroduce at 25% dose increasing to full dose if symptoms do not return

### Adverse effects - for full details consult product literature/ reference texts

#### • Serious side effects

Myelosuppression  
Pneumonitis / pulmonary fibrosis  
Thromboembolism  
Nephrotoxicity  
Hypersensitivity and allergic reactions  
Secondary malignancy  
Bowel perforation  
Pancreatitis  
Myocardial infarction  
SIADH  
Teratogenicity  
Infertility  
Ototoxicity

#### • Frequently occurring side effects

Nausea or vomiting  
Fatigue, flu-like symptoms  
Anorexia, weight loss  
Constipation, diarrhoea  
Neurotoxicity  
Myelosuppression  
Stomatitis/mucositis

#### • Other side effects

Rash, pigmentation, photosensitivity  
CNS depression, nightmares, hallucinations, insomnia

### Significant drug interactions – for full details consult product literature/ reference texts

**Coumarin-derived anticoagulants** such as warfarin: patients established on warfarin should either be changed to low molecular weight heparin or have weekly monitoring of INR. Patients who are initiated on anti-coagulation should remain on low molecular weight heparin until completion of the course of chemotherapy.

**Phenytoin and fosphenytoin:** close monitoring and/or alternative agents are recommended if co-prescribed with this regimen. Phenytoin serum levels may be decreased, possibly as a result of decreased absorption and/or increased metabolism.

**Barbiturates:** Phenobarbital can lead to a reduced anti-tumour effect of lomustine due to induction of hepatic enzymes and increased elimination.

### Additional comments

Haematological toxicity may be cumulative.

Lomustine can cause pulmonary problems after high, lifetime cumulative doses (>1,100mg/m<sup>2</sup>). Onset of symptoms may occur months/years after treatment discontinued.

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