

Regimen Reference Order – GAST – bevacizumab + capecitabine

ARIA: GAST – [bevacizumab + capecitabine]

Planned Course: Every 21 days until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity

Indication for Use: Colorectal Cancer Metastatic

CVAD: At Provider’s Discretion

Proceed with treatment if:

ANC equal to or greater than $1.5 \times 10^9/L$ AND Platelets equal to or greater than $100 \times 10^9/L$

❖ Contact Physician if parameters not met

SEQUENCE OF MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION

Pre-treatment Requirements

Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline
Not Applicable		

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Establish primary solution 500 mL of: normal saline

Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline
bevacizumab (brand name specific)	7.5 mg/kg	IV in normal saline 100 mL over 15 minutes <i>*Alert: Ensure brand name on prescription label (indicated in brackets on prescription label) matches prescribed order</i>
capecitabine	1000 mg/m ²	Orally twice a day on Days 1 – 14 followed by 7 days off (Self-administered at home)

capecitabine available dosage strengths: 150mg, 500mg tablets

Classification: Cytotoxic, Hazardous

All doses will be automatically rounded that fall within the DSG Approved Dose Bands. See GAST DSG – Dose Banding document for more information

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

REQUIRED MONITORING

All Cycles

- CBC, biochemistry, liver functions, urine protein and blood pressure as per Physician Orders
 - Urinalysis for protein: Where urinalysis is not possible, use dipstick. If lab urinalysis for protein is greater than or equal to 1 g/L or dipstick proteinuria shows 2+ or 3+, notify prescriber
- Full vital signs (temperature, heart rate, respiratory rate, blood pressure and O₂ saturation) at baseline and as clinically indicated
- No observation period is required after bevacizumab or capecitabine administration. Patient can be discharged from treatment room if stable whether they had a reaction or not

Recommended Support Medications

Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline
metoclopramide	10 – 20 mg	Orally every 4 hours as needed for nausea and vomiting

DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS

- Patients 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) at home
- Reinforce applicable safe handling precautions of medications, blood and body fluids for 48 hours after completion of chemotherapy

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- capecitabine can cause diarrhea, hand-foot syndrome and neuropathy
- bevacizumab causes increased risk of hypertension, post-operative bleeding, wound healing complications and thromboembolic events
- bevacizumab is available from more than one manufacturer and uses several different brand names. Brand name will be indicated in brackets after bevacizumab. **Ensure prescription label matches the brand name on prescribed order**