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# Regimen Reference Order – CUP – FOLFIRI

**ARIA: CUP - [FOLFIRI]** 

Planned Course: Every 14 days until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity

Indication for Use: Carcinoma of Unknown Primary Site (CUP)

**CVAD: Required (Ambulatory Pump)** 

### **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			

Establish primary solution 500 mL of: normal saline			
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ondansetron	16 mg	Orally 30 minutes pre-chemotherapy	
dexamethasone	12 mg	Orally 30 minutes pre-chemotherapy	
atropine	0.6 mg	IV Push over 2 – 3 minutes pre-irinotecan  May be repeated once if diarrhea occurs during irinotecan infusion	
irinotecan	180 mg/m <sup>2</sup>	IV in 500 mL D5W over 90 minutes  *Nursing Alert: irinotecan and leucovorin may be infused over the same 90-minute period using a Y-site connector	
leucovorin	400 mg/m <sup>2</sup>	IV in 500 mL D5W over 90 minutes	
fluorouracil	400 mg/m <sup>2</sup>	IV Push over 5 minutes	
fluorouracil	2400 mg/m <sup>2</sup>	IV in D5W continuously over 46 hours by ambulatory infusion device	

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



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# **REQUIRED MONITORING**

#### All Cycles

CBC, serum creatinine, electrolytes and liver enzymes as per Physician Orders

Recommended Support Medications			
Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline	
dexamethasone	8 mg	Orally once daily on Days 2 and 3	
loperamide	2 – 4 mg	Orally as directed below	
prochlorperazine	10 mg	Orally every 6 hours as needed for nausea and vomiting	

### **DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS**

- Instruct patient to continue taking anti-emetic(s) at home
- Ensure patient has received a home chemotherapy spill kit and instructions for use
- If diarrhea occurs within 24 hours of irinotecan administration:
  - Return to cancer care clinic or go to the emergency department. A second dose of intravenous atropine may be required
- If cramping or diarrhea occurs more than 24 hours after irinotecan administration:
  - o Take loperamide 4 mg (two 2 mg tablets) orally STAT; then
  - o During the day: take 2 mg (one 2 mg tablet) orally every 2 hours
  - o During the night: take 4 mg (two 2 mg tablets) orally at bedtime and then every 4 hours until morning
  - STOP loperamide once no bowel movement has occurred (e.g. diarrhea-free) for 12 hours
  - If diarrhea has not stopped despite taking 12 tablets (24 mg) of loperamide over a 24-hour period, please contact your clinic for further instructions. If this occurs after clinic hours, please call the Medical Oncologist on-call and/or report to the nearest emergency room/urgent care centre. Please note that 24 mg per 24 hours is higher than the usual "over the counter" dose for loperamide
- Reinforce applicable safe handling precautions of medications, blood and body fluids for 48 hours after completion of chemotherapy

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

• Nursing to provide patient with 30 tablet supply of loperamide 2 mg, labelled by Pharmacy, to take home with Cycle 1

