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Regimen Reference Order – cemiplimab desensitization

Desensitization protocol is prescribed in combination with a cemiplimab protocol ARIA: SUPP – [cemiplimab q21 d (desens)]

Planned Course: Refer to prescribed cemiplimab-based protocol

Indication for Use: Eligible patients with previous hypersensitivity reactions to cemiplimab

Drug Alert: Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor

Alert: Desensitization protocol

cemiplimab

- cemiplimab is prepared in 3 separate bags with a total volume of 50 mL in BAG 1,
 50 mL in BAG 2 and 100 mL in BAG 3
- IV tubing is primed with cemiplimab
- cemiplimab is administered slowly following specified rate increases. cemiplimab infusion takes approximately 4.5 hours to complete

CVAD: At Provider's Discretion

Blood work requirements:

Refer to prescribed cemiplimab-based protocol

SEQUENCE OF MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION

	Pre-treatment Requirements					
	Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline			
Refer to prescribed cemiplimab-based protocol						

Treatment Regimen – cemiplimab desensitization					
Establish primary solution 500 mL of: normal saline					
Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline			
Day 1					
cetirizine	20 mg	Orally <u>1 hour</u> prior to cemiplimab			
acetylsalicylic acid	650 mg	Orally <u>1 hour</u> prior to cemiplimab			
montelukast	10 mg	Orally <u>1 hour</u> prior to cemiplimab			
acetaminophen	975 mg	Orally <u>1 hour</u> prior to cemiplimab			
hydrocortisone	100 mg	IV in normal saline 50 mL over 15 minutes <u>1 hour</u> prior to cemiplimab *Nursing Alert: cemiplimab starts 1 hour after completion of hydrocortisone infusion			



5 mg (0.1 mg/mL)	IV in normal saline 50 mL following the administration rates below:
(BAG I)	Step 1: 2 mL/hour for 15 minutes, then
	Step 2: 5 mL/hour for 15 minutes, then
	Step 3: 10 mL/hour for 15 minutes, then
	Step 4: 20 mL/hour for 15 minutes
	Once step 4 is complete, discard remainder of bag and proceed immediately to bag 2
	Use 0.2 or 0.22 micron filter
	*Alert: Pharmacy to ensure final volume in bag = 50 mL
	*Nursing Alert: IV tubing is primed with cemiplimab
15 mg (0.3 mg/mL)	IV in normal saline 50 mL following the administration rates below:
(=: := =)	Step 5: 5 mL/hour for 15 minutes, then
	Step 6: 10 mL/hour for 15 minutes, then
	Step 7: 20 mL/hour for 15 minutes, then
	Step 8: 40 mL/hour for 15 minutes
	Once step 8 is complete, discard remainder of bag and proceed immediately to bag 3
	Use 0.2 or 0.22 micron filter
	*Alert: Pharmacy to ensure final volume in bag = 50 mL
	*Nursing Alert: IV tubing is primed with cemiplimab
330 mg (3.3 mg/mL) (BAG 3)	IV in normal saline 100 mL following the administration rates below:
	Step 9: 10 mL/hour for 15 minutes, then
	Step 10: 20 mL/hour for 15 minutes, then
	Step 11: 40 mL/hour for 15 minutes, then
	Step 12: 80 mL/hour until infusion is complete
	Use 0.2 or 0.22 micron filter
	*Alert: Pharmacy to ensure final volume in bag = 100 mL
	(BAG 2) 330 mg (3.3 mg/mL)

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

REQUIRED MONITORING

All Cycles

- 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 cemiplimab administration. Patient can be discharged from treatment room if stable whether they had a reaction or not
- Refer to the prescribed cemiplimab-based protocol for additional monitoring



	Recommended Support Medications					
Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline				
Refer to prescribed cemiplimab-based protocol						

DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS

- Patients should be instructed to contact their cancer team immediately if symptoms of hypersensitivity occur after discharge
- · Confirm that patient has received the CCMB Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor Medical Alert wallet card
- · Refer to the prescribed cemiplimab-based protocol for additional discharge instructions

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Oncologist must write first prescription of cemiplimab desensitization protocol
- Once the patient requires cemiplimab desensitization protocol, all subsequent cemiplimab doses must be given using cemiplimab desensitization protocol
- · Refer to the prescribed cemiplimab-based protocol for additional cemiplimab information
- Support protocol is available under cemiplimab in the "Desensitization" folder
- Site restrictions may be in place for cemiplimab desensitization

