

Regimen Reference Order

LYMP – R-bendamustine + polatuzumab vedotin (SLOW IV riTUXimab for all cycles)

ARIA: LYMP – [BR + polatuzumab (SLOW)]

Planned Course: Every 21 days for 6 cycles

Indication for Use: Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma; Diffuse Large B Cell Lymphoma; Relapsed

CVAD: At Provider’s Discretion

Proceed with treatment if:
ANC equal to or greater than 1 x 10⁹/L AND Platelets equal to or greater than 75 x 10⁹/L
 ❖ **Contact Hematologist if parameters not met**
Note: Hepatitis B serology results must be reviewed in accordance with CCMB Policy Hepatitis B Monitoring for Oncology and Hematology Patients

SEQUENCE OF MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION

Pre-treatment Requirements		
Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline
Not Applicable		

Treatment Regimen		
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Establish primary solution 500 mL of: normal saline		
Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline
Day 1		
cetirizine	10 mg	Orally 30 minutes prior to riTUXimab
acetaminophen	650 mg	Orally 30 minutes prior to riTUXimab
dexamethasone	20 mg	IV in normal saline 50 mL over 15 minutes
Wait 30 minutes after completion of IV pre-medication(s) before starting riTUXimab		
riTUXimab (IV brand name specific)	375 mg/m ²	<u>Slow infusion</u> (if greater than 6 months since last riTUXimab dose or no previous riTUXimab): IV made up to a final concentration of 1 mg/mL in normal saline. Start at 50 mg/hr for 60 minutes and escalate infusion rate in 50 mg/hr increments every 30 minutes to a maximum of 400 mg/hr <i>*Nursing Alert: IV tubing is primed with riTUXimab</i> <i>*Alert: Ensure brand name on prescription label (indicated in brackets on prescription label) matches prescribed order</i> <i>*Alert: Pharmacy to ensure final volume on label</i> OR

		<p>Slow infusion (if equal to or less than 6 months since last riTUXimab dose): IV made up to a final concentration of 1 mg/mL in normal saline. Start at 100 mg/hr for 30 minutes and escalate infusion rate in 100 mg/hr increments every 30 minutes to a maximum of 400 mg/hr</p> <p><i>*Nursing Alert: IV tubing is primed with riTUXimab</i></p> <p><i>*Alert: Ensure brand name on prescription label (indicated in brackets on prescription label) matches prescribed order</i></p> <p><i>*Alert: Pharmacy to ensure final volume on label</i></p>
Day 2		
cetirizine	10 mg	Orally 30 minutes prior to polatuzumab vedotin
acetaminophen	650 mg	Orally 30 minutes prior to polatuzumab vedotin
dexamethasone	12 mg	Orally 30 minutes prior to polatuzumab vedotin
polatuzumab vedotin	1.8 mg/kg	<p>IV in normal saline 100 mL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dose 1 to be infused over 90 minutes Dose 2 and subsequent to be infused over 30 minutes (if first dose well tolerated) <p>Use 0.2 or 0.22 micron filter</p> <p><i>*Nursing Alert: bendamustine infusion starts after observation period is complete</i></p>
ondansetron	16 mg	Orally 30 minutes pre-chemotherapy
bendamustine	90 mg/m ²	IV in normal saline 500 mL over 1 hour
normal saline	100 mL	IV over 12 minutes
Day 3		
ondansetron	16 mg	Orally 30 minutes pre-chemotherapy
dexamethasone	12 mg	Orally 30 minutes pre-chemotherapy
bendamustine	90 mg/m ²	IV in normal saline 500 mL over 1 hour
normal saline	100 mL	IV over 12 minutes
All doses will be automatically rounded that fall within CCMB Approved Dose Bands. See Dose Banding document for more information		

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

REQUIRED MONITORING

Hepatitis B serology

- Hepatitis B surface antigen and Hepatitis B core antibody (drawn within preceding 5 years)

All Cycles

Day 1

- CBC, serum creatinine, urea, electrolytes, liver enzymes, LDH, total bilirubin, uric acid and albumin as per Physician Orders
- Assess patient for neuropathy prior to every cycle

INTRAVENOUS riTUXimab

- Full vital signs (temperature, heart rate, respiratory rate, blood pressure and O₂ saturation) prior to each dose and as clinically indicated
- No observation period is required

polatuzumab vedotin monitoring**Cycle 1**

- Full vital signs (temperature, heart rate, respiratory rate, blood pressure and O₂ saturation) at baseline and as clinically indicated
- Observe patient for **90 minutes** after polatuzumab vedotin infusion. Full vital signs after observation period. bendamustine begins after observation is complete

Cycle 2 and Onwards

- Full vital signs (temperature, heart rate, respiratory rate, blood pressure and O₂ saturation) at baseline and as clinically indicated
- Observe patient for **30 minutes** after polatuzumab vedotin infusion. Full vital signs after observation period. bendamustine begins after observation is complete

Recommended Support Medications

Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline
valACYclovir	500 mg	Orally once daily
dexamethasone	8 mg	Orally once daily on Days 4 and 5
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

- polatuzumab vedotin can cause peripheral neuropathy
- Due to the risk of reactivation of Hepatitis B virus (HBV) while on this treatment regimen, prescriber must adhere to CCMB Policy **Hepatitis B Monitoring for Oncology and Hematology Patients** for ordering and interpreting HBV serology and prescribing antiviral prophylaxis
- valACYclovir may be prescribed for herpes zoster (shingles) prophylaxis
- Herpes zoster prophylaxis should be considered in patients with:
 - A history of shingles or recurrent cold sores
 - Treatment with bendamustine in the relapsed setting
- allopurinol is not routinely prescribed with bendamustine containing regimens as the use of allopurinol given concomitantly with bendamustine can increase the risk of serious skin reactions
- Administering nurse must document any infusion-related reactions with any dose of rituximab
- Intravenous riTUXimab formulation is available from more than one manufacturer and uses several different brand names. Brand name will be indicated in brackets after riTUXimab. **Ensure prescription label matches the brand name on prescribed order for intravenous riTUXimab**