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Regimen Reference Order

ESOPH – nivolumab (Adjuvant) every 14 days followed by every 28 days

ARIA: ESOPH - [nivo (ADJ) q14d then q28d]

Planned Course: Every 28 days (Days 1 and 15) for 4 cycles, then every 28 days (Day 1) for

9 cycles for a total of 13 cycles (one year)

Indication for Use: Esophageal or Gastroesophageal Junction Cancer, Resected; Adjuvant

Drug Alert: Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor

CVAD: At Provider's Discretion

Proceed with treatment if:

Days 1 & 15 (Cycles 1 to 4) and Day 1 (Cycles 5 to 13)

- ANC equal to or greater than 1.5 x $10^9/L$ AND Platelets equal to or greater than 50 x $10^9/L$
- AST/ALT equal to or less than 3 times the upper limit of normal
- Total bilirubin equal to or less than 1.5 times the upper limit of normal
- Creatinine clearance is equal to or greater than 30 mL/minute
 - 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		
Cycles 1 to 4				
Days 1 and 15				
nivolumab	3 mg/kg	IV in normal saline 100 mL over 30 minutes Use 0.2 or 0.22 micron filter		
Cycles 5 to 13				
Day 1				
nivolumab	6 mg/kg	IV in normal saline 100 mL over 30 minutes Use 0.2 or 0.22 micron filter		
Maximum nivolumab dose is 240 mg (every 14 days – Cycles 1 to 4) OR 480 mg (every 28 days – Cycles 5 to 13) 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

Cycles 1 to 4

Days 1 and 15

- CBC, serum creatinine, urea, electrolytes, liver enzymes, total bilirubin, albumin and glucose as per Physician Orders
- TSH monthly (i.e. Day 1 only)
- Medical oncologist or designate (i.e. family practitioner in oncology) must assess patient for immune-mediated adverse reactions prior to each dose
- Full vital signs (temperature, heart rate, respiratory rate, blood pressure and O₂ saturation) at baseline and as clinically indicated
- No observation period is required. Patient can be discharged from treatment room if stable whether they had a reaction or not

Cycles 5 to 13

Day 1

- CBC, serum creatinine, urea, electrolytes, liver enzymes, total bilirubin, albumin and glucose as per Physician Orders
- · TSH monthly
- Medical oncologist or designate (i.e. family practitioner in oncology) must assess patient for immune-mediated adverse reactions prior to each dose
- Full vital signs (temperature, heart rate, respiratory rate, blood pressure and O₂ saturation) at baseline and as clinically indicated
- No observation period is required. Patient can be discharged from treatment room if stable whether they had a reaction or not

Recommended Support Medications					
	Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline		
None required					

DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS

- Patients should be instructed to contact their cancer team immediately if symptoms of hypersensitivity reactions occur after discharge
- Confirm that patient has received the CCMB Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor Medical Alert wallet card
- Reinforce to patient the immune-mediated adverse reactions and importance of reporting immediately
 - For severe symptoms, the patient should be instructed to go to the nearest emergency room. Oncologist on call should be contacted

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

 nivolumab is an Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor. Consult with oncologist for immune-mediated adverse reactions; corticosteroids are often indicated

