

SACT PROTOCOL

Systemic Anti Cancer Therapy Protocol

Alternating Lomustine Cyclophosphamide Vincristine and Cyclophosphamide Mesna Vincristine Adjuvant treatment of Medulloblastoma

Medulloblastoma maintenance chemotherapy post radiotherapy

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Approved for use in:

Maintenance adjuvant treatment of newly diagnosed standard risk medulloblastoma following chemo-radiotherapy

Dosage:

Maintenance chemotherapy beginning 6 weeks after radiotherapy for 8 alternating cycles.

Cycle 1	Cycle 2	Cycle 3	Cycle 4	Cycle 5	Cycle 6	Cycle 7	Cycle 8
V – L - Cis		V – L – Cis		V – L - Cis		V – L - Cis	
	V – Cyclo - M		V – Cyclo – M		V – Cyclo - M		V – Cyclo - M
6 weeks	3 weeks	6 weeks	3 weeks	6 weeks	3 weeks	6 weeks	3 weeks

V – L – Cis: Vincristine, lomustine & cisplatin (**42-day cycle**)

V – Cyclo – M: Vincristine, cyclophosphamide & mesna (**21-day cycle**)

Alternating cycles for a total of 8 cycles

Please note can be given in an alternative order beginning with V-cyclo M as cycle 1 and V – L – Cis as cycle 2 as per practice at Alder Hey.

Vincristine Lomustine Cisplatin (6 week cycle) - C1/C3/C5/C7			
Drug	Dose	Frequency	Route
Vincristine	2mg	Day 1, 8 & 15 of 6 week cycle	IV
Lomustine	75mg/m ²	Day 1 of 6 week cycle	Oral
Cisplatin	70mg/m ²	Day 1 of 6 week cycle	IV

Vincristine Cyclophosphamide + Mesna (3 week cycle) – C2/C4/C6/C8			
Drug	Dose	Frequency	Route
Vincristine	2mg	Day 1 of a 3 week cycle	IV
Mesna (pre)	500mg/m ²	Day 1 & Day 2 of a 3 week cycle	IV
Cyclophosphamide + Mesna	1000mg/m ² + 1000mg/m ²		
Mesna (post)	1000mg/m ²		

Counselling Points:

Lomustine - available as a 40mg capsule and should be taken on an empty stomach with water.

Pregnancy

Animal studies have shown vincristine, cyclophosphamide, lomustine and cisplatin cause teratogenicity and other reproductive toxicity.

Lomustine has the potential to cause irreversible infertility in men. Sperm banking may be considered prior to treatment.

Emetogenic risk

Vincristine – Minimally emetogenic.

Cyclophosphamide – Moderately emetogenic

Lomustine – Moderately emetogenic

Cisplatin – Highly emetogenic

Supportive treatments:

- Aprepitant 125mg prior to chemotherapy then 80mg daily on day 2 and day 3.
- Ondansetron 8mg twice daily when required.
- Domperidone 10mg up to THREE times a day when required.
- Filgrastim 30million units or 48million units subcutaneously daily for 7 days (see administration section for specific details).

Patients should not receive steroid therapy, e.g. dexamethasone, during radiotherapy and chemotherapy, if possible. If symptoms of raised intra- cranial pressure develop during treatment the cause, e.g. hydrocephalus, should be actively sought. Steroids should be used as a short-term measure prior to definitive treatment of the raised pressure. Use of dexamethasone should be documented prospectively.

Extravasation risk:

Vincristine – vesicant

Cyclophosphamide - irritant

Cisplatin – Irritant

Refer to the CCC policy for the 'Prevention and Management of Extravasation Injuries'

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Dosing in renal and hepatic impairment:

Renal	
Vincristine	
Metabolism and elimination is primarily hepatic therefore no dose adjustments are required in renal impairment	
Cyclophosphamide	
CrCL ≥ 30 ml/min (Cockcroft-Gault)	No adjustment required
10ml/min > CrCL > 30ml/min (Cockcroft-Gault)	75% of original dose
CrCL < 10ml/min (Cockcroft-Gault)	Not recommended
Lomustine	
CrCL ≥ 50 ml/min (Cockcroft-Gault)	No adjustment required
30ml/min \geq CrCL > 50ml/min (Cockcroft-Gault)	75% of original dose
CrCL < 30ml/min (Cockcroft-Gault)	Not recommended
Cisplatin	
CrCL ≥ 50 ml/min (Cockcroft-Gault)	No adjustment required
40ml/min \geq CrCL > 50ml/min (Cockcroft-Gault)	75% of original dose
CrCL < 40ml/min (Cockcroft-Gault)	Not recommended

Hepatic	
Vincristine	
Metabolism and elimination is primarily hepatic therefore increased toxicity may be experienced in hepatic impairment. Bilirubin >51 µmol/L – 50% of original dose	
Cyclophosphamide	
*Mild to moderate	No adjustment required
**Severe	Not recommended – may reduce efficacy
Lomustine	
*Mild to moderate	No adjustment required
**Severe	Not recommended
Cisplatin	
No adjustment required	

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Mild	Bilirubin >1.0-1.5 x ULN OR AST > ULN
Moderate	Bilirubin 1.5-3 x ULN
Severe	Bilirubin >3.0 x ULN
As classified by Organ Dysfunction Working Group:	

Treatment schedule:

Vincristine / Lomustine / Cisplatin – C1/C3/C5/C7

Day	Drug	Dose	Route	Diluent and rate	
1	Aprepitant	125mg	PO	60 mins before chemotherapy	
	Ondansetron	24mg	PO	30 mins before chemotherapy	
	Lomustine	75mg/m ²	PO		
	Vincristine	2mg	IV	50mL Sodium Chloride 0.9% over 10mins	
	Furosemide oral tablets	20mg	PO		
	Sodium Chloride 0.9% 1000mL With 20mmol Potassium Chloride			IV over 90 minutes	
	<p>Measure urine output volume and record If urine output averages 100mL/hour over previous 3 hours then proceed with cisplatin infusion If urine output is less than 100mL/hour the patient should be assessed and further 500mL sodium chloride 0.9% given IV over 30 minutes If urine output still not adequate contact the urology team</p>				
	Cisplatin	70mg/m ²	IV	Sodium Chloride 0.9% 1000mL over 90 minutes	
	Sodium Chloride 0.9% 1000mL With 20mmol Potassium Chloride			IV over 90 minutes	
	2	Ondansetron	8mg	PO	Twice daily for 3 days from Day 2
Filgrastim		30 million units / 48 million units	SC	By subcutaneous injection daily for 7 days from Day 2 (NOT on day of vincristine)	
8	Vincristine	2mg	IV	50mL Sodium Chloride 0.9% over 10mins	
15	Vincristine	2mg	IV	50mL Sodium Chloride 0.9% over 10mins	

Vincristine / Cyclophosphamide + Mesna – C2/C4/C6/C8

Day	Drug	Dosage	Route	Diluent and Rate
1	Ondansetron 30 minutes before chemotherapy	16mg	PO	
	Vincristine	2mg	IV	50mL Sodium Chloride 0.9% over 10mins
	Mesna	500mg/m ²	IV	In 500mL sodium chloride 0.9% over 1 hour
	Cyclophosphamide + mesna	1000mg/m ² + 1000mg/m ²	IV	In 1000mL sodium chloride 0.9% over 3 hours
	Mesna	1000mg/m ²	IV	In 1000mL sodium chloride over 8 hours
2	Ondansetron	16mg	PO	24 hours after day 1 dose
	Mesna	500mg/m ²	IV	In 500mL sodium chloride 0.9% over 1 hour
	Cyclophosphamide + mesna	1000mg/m ² + 1000mg/m ²	IV	In 1000mL sodium chloride 0.9% over 3 hours
	Mesna	1000mg/m ²	IV	In 1000mL sodium chloride over 8 hours
3	Ondansetron	8mg	PO	Twice daily for 3 days from Day 3
	Filgrastim	30million units or 48million units	SC	By subcutaneous injection daily for 7 days from Day 3

Main toxicities:

Nausea and vomiting, anaemia, thrombocytopenia, neutropenia, lethargy.

Vincristine
Neuropathy, constipation, arthralgia, myalgia, polyuria, dysuria, urinary retention, hypertension, hypotension.
Cyclophosphamide
Alopecia, mucositis, diarrhoea Urotoxicity can occur with short-term and long-term use of cyclophosphamide. Hemorrhagic cystitis, pyelitis, ureteritis, and haematuria. Additional mesna can be given if required.
Lomustine
Disorientation, mucositis, pulmonary fibrosis, alopecia, renal injury/failure, increased bilirubin, increased transaminases.
Cisplatin
Arrhythmia, bradycardia, tachycardia, nephrotoxicity, ototoxicity, loss of fertility, anaphylactic reactions

Investigations and treatment plan:

	Pre	Cycle 1	Cycle 2	Cycle 3	Cycle 4	Cycle 5	Ongoing
Informed Consent	X						
Clinical Assessment with neurological examination	X	X	X	X	X	X	
SACT Assessment (to include PS and toxicities)	X	X	X	X	X	X	Every cycle
FBC, U&E, LFTs, bone profile, magnesium (to be checked pre & post chemotherapy to identify nadir counts)	X	X	X	X	X	X	Every cycle
CrCl (Cockcroft and Gault)	X	X	X	X	X	X	Every cycle
CT scan	X						Every 6 months/if clinically indicated
ECG							If clinically indicated
Full observations	X	X	X	X	X	X	Every cycle
Weight recorded	X	X	X	X	X	X	Every cycle
Height recorded	X						
Pregnancy test	X						
MRI spine to include visualization of the end of the dural sac	x						
Audiology – pure tone audiometry if possible. If not possible, normal acoustic emissions are acceptable if no history of hearing deficit	x						

During treatment and for 12 months after, appropriate measures must be taken to avoid pregnancy by women of childbearing age. For men effective contraception should be used during treatment and for 6 months after.

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Dose Modifications and Toxicity Management:

Haematological toxicity:

Prior to Vincristine, Lomustine & Cisplatin (6 week cycle) – C1/C3/C5/C7:

Proceed on Day 1 if -

WBC $\geq 2.0 \times 10^9/L$	ANC $\geq 1.0 \times 10^9/L$	Plt $\geq 100 \times 10^9/L$
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Delay 1 week on day 1 if-

WBC $\leq 2.0 \times 10^9/L$	ANC $\leq 0.9 \times 10^9/L$	Plt $\leq 99 \times 10^9/L$
If platelet /WBC recovery is delayed more than 2 weeks then omit lomustine for next cycle and reduce lomustine to $50\text{mg}/\text{m}^2$ in all subsequent cycles. For any further episodes of delayed count recovery, omit lomustine for next and all subsequent cycles (give full dose cisplatin)		

If the nadir count (after each cycle) meets the criteria below then dose reduce lomustine to $50\text{mg}/\text{m}^2$ in next and all subsequent cycles and consider additional CSF next course -

WBC $<2.0 \times 10^9/L$	ANC $<0.5 \times 10^9/L$	Plt $<30 \times 10^9/L$	Episode of febrile neutropenia
If further episodes with GCSF then reduce cisplatin to $50\text{mg}/\text{m}^2$ in the next and all subsequent cycles			

Prior to Vincristine, Cyclophosphamide & Mesna – C2/C4/C6/C8

Proceed on Day 1 if -

ANC $\geq 1.0 \times 10^9/L$	Plt $\geq 80 \times 10^9/L$
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Delay 1 week on day 1 if-

ANC $\leq 0.9 \times 10^9/L$	Plt $\leq 80 \times 10^9/L$
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These haematological guidelines assume that patients are well with good performance status, that other acute toxicities have resolved and the patient has not had a previous episode of neutropenic sepsis.

Non – Haematological toxicity:

Nephrotoxicity	
Creatinine >1.5 ULN or CrCL <60mL/min	Delay chemotherapy for 1 week
CrCL 41 to 50 mL/min/1.73m ²	Delay chemotherapy until CrCL returns to baseline. Reduce subsequent doses to 75%.
eGFR ≤ 40 mL/min/1.73m ²	Consider switch to carboplatin.
Neurotoxicity	
< Grade 1 or grade 2 persisting < 7 days	Continue vincristine at full dose
Grade 2 persisting > 7 days	Discontinue vincristine
Constipation / Ileus	
Ileus ≥ grade 2 lasting ≤ 7 days	Omit vincristine from next cycle. Discuss with consultant whether to re-start
Ileus ≥ grade 2 lasting > 7 days	Discontinue vincristine
Ototoxicity	
Grade 2	Substitute cisplatin for carboplatin
Grade 3 or 4	Omit platinum
Haematuria	
Microscopic during cyclophosphamide infusion	Give additional bolus doses of Mesna then a continuous infusion at double dose
Gross haematuria	Omit Day 2 cyclophosphamide. Give cyclophosphamide at 50% of the original dose for the next cycle. If well tolerated, consider reescalation.

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