| Indication | Head and Neck - Malignant salivary gland tumours | | | | | |
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| Treatment | Palliative | | | | | |
| Intent | | | | | | |
| Frequency a | Every 21 days for 6 cycles | | | | | |
| number of | | | | | | |
| cycles | | | | | | |
| Monitoring | ECG must be checked prior to cycle 1. | | | | | |
| Parameters | • C+G should be used to measure CrCl prior to cycle 1 | | | | | |
| pre-treatme | If CrCl <60ml/min then obtain EDTA result | | | | | |
| | • If CrCl 30-59ml/min consider dose reduction of cisplatin or consider carboplatin. | | | | | |
| | • If CrCl <30ml/min stop platinum. | | | | | |
| | • If CrCl < 50 ml/min dose reduce capecitabine (see SPC) | | | | | |
| | • Monitor LFT's and serum creatinine at each cycle. | | | | | |
| | • If neuts 1.0-1.4 and PLT >100 d/w consultant. If neuts <1.0 or Plts <100 delay one week | | | | | |
| | • Dose reduction should be considered if grade 3 or 4 non-haematological toxicity or | | | | | |
| | repeat appearance of grade 2 (except N&V and alopecia). Delay until resolution of | | | | | |
| | toxicity to < grade 1 Consider audiology test for hearing impaired patients and monitor all patients for | | | | | |
| | • Consider autology test for hearing impared patients and monitor all patients for ototoxicity throughout treatment. | | | | | |
| | DPD testing: DPD testing must be undertaken in all patients before starting treatment; | | | | | |
| | the result must be checked before treatment is started. | | | | | |
| | Cardio toxicity: Caution in patients with prior history of coronary heart disease, | | | | | |
| | arrhythmias and angina pectoris. | | | | | |
| | Maximum recommended cumulative dose epirubicin 900mg/m2. | | | | | |
| | • Skin reactions: Capecitabine can induce severe skin reactions such as Stevens-Johnson | | | | | |
| | syndrome and Toxic Epidermal Necrolysis. Patients should be informed of the | | | | | |
| | possibility of such reactions and informed to seek urgent medical advice should any | | | | | |
| | symptoms of a severe skin reaction occur. Treatment should be permanently | | | | | |
| | discontinued in affected patients. | | | | | |
| | • Drug interactions (for comprehensive list refer to BNF/SPC): | | | | | |
| | • Capecitabine: must not be given with concurrent sorivudine or derivatives (e.g | | | | | |
| | brivudine), see SPC. | | | | | |
| | Monitor PT and INR regularly in patients taking coumarin-derivative | | | | | |
| | anticoagulants. | | | | | |
| | Monitor phenytoin levels with concomitant use. | | | | | |
| | Caution with folinic acid or folic acid – potential for increased toxicity. Avoid | | | | | |
| | concomitant allopurinol. | | | | | |
| | Caution, ciclosporin increases concentration of epirubicin. In patients receiving cisplatin and phenytoin, the serum level of phenytoin might | | | | | |
| | In patients receiving cisplatin and phenytoin, the serum level of phenytoin might be reduced, monitor phenytoin levels with concomitant use. | | | | | |
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| | a severe skin reaction occur. Treatment should be permanently discontinued in affected | | | | | |
| | patients. | | | | | |
| | Capecitabine may cause dizziness, fatigue and nausea. Patients should be aware this | | | | | |
| | may affect their ability to drive or operate machinery. | | | | | |
| | • For oral self-administration: refer to local Trust policy on oral anti-cancer medicines and | | | | | |
| | supply Patient Information Leaflet. | | | | | |
| References | KMCC SACT protocol MULTI-010 v1 SPCs for epirubicin and capecitabine accessed online | | | | | |
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NB For funding information, refer to CDF and NICE Drugs Funding List

Repeat every 21 days

| Day | Drug | Dose | Route | Infusion Duration | Administration |
|-----|-------------------------|--|----------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| 1 | Sodium Chloride 0.9% | 1000ml | IV | 2hours | + 20mmol KCL + 10mmol Mg ²⁺ |
| | Mannitol 10% | 200ml | IV | 15min | |
| | Ondansetron | <75yrs 16mg <u>></u> 75yrs 8mg | IV | 15min | Sodium Chloride 0.9% 50ml |
| | Dexamethasone | 8mg | PO | | |
| | EPIRUBICIN | 50mg/m ² | IV | 3 min | through the side of a fast running Sodium chloride 0.9% intravenous infusion |
| | CISPLATIN | 60mg/m ² | IV | 2 hours | In Sodium Chloride 0.9% 1000ml |
| | Furosemide | 40mg | IV/PO | | If urine output <100ml/hr or weight gain >1kg |
| | Sodium Chloride 0.9% | 1000ml | IV | 2 hours | + 20mmol KCL + 10mmol Mg ²⁺ |
| | Sodium Chloride 0.9% | 500ml | IV | 1 hour | Or 500ml water, orally |
| | *(Furosemide) | 40mg | IV/PO | *only if required | If patient remains in a 2L positive balance |
| TTO | Drug | Dose | Route PO PO PO | | Directions |
| | CAPECITABINE | 1250mg/m²/day In 2 divided doses | | | For 21 days continuously. Take within 30 mins after food and approximately every 12 hours. Available as 500mg & 150mg. |
| | Metoclopramide | 10mg | | | 3 times a day for 3 days, then 10mg up to 3 times a day as required. Do not take for more than 5 days continuously. |
| | Dexamethasone | 6mg PO | | | OM for 3 days |

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