Capecitabine 1 of 2

Indication	As adjuvant treatment for triple negative breast cancer, where there has been a				
	poor response to non-carboplatin containing neoadjuvant chemotherapy.				
	2nd or subsequent line metastatic disease				
Treatment	Adjuvant				
Intent					
	Palliative				
Frequency	Every 21 days				
and number	Adjuvant: for 8 cycles				
of cycles	Palliative: Continue until progressive disease/intolerable toxicity/patient choice				
Monitoring	ECG prior to cycle 1				
Parameters	DPD testing				
pre-treatment	It is highly recommended that DPD testing is undertaken before starting				
	treatment. If DPD testing is undertaken, the result must be checked before				
	treatment is started.				
	At each cycle monitor FBC, U&Es & LFTs.				
	If neuts 1.0-1.4 and/ or Plts 75-100 d/w consultant.				
	If neuts <1.0 or PLT <75 defer 1 week				
	• Renal: Before starting treatment, GFR should be >50ml/min. If CrCl <50ml/min				
	dose reduce capecitabine (see SPC). Capecitabine is contraindicated if CrCl				
	<30ml/min				
	 Interrupt treatment in the event of >/= grade 2 non-haematological toxicity 				
	(with the exception of side effects such as alopecia, alteration in taste etc,				
	considered to be not serious) until resolution to grade 0-1.				
	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.				
	Cardiotoxicity: Caution in patients with prior history of coronary heart dis-				
	ease, arrhythmias and angina pectoris.				
	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: 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.				
References	KMCC SACT protocol v4; SPC accessed 08/10/2018				

NB for funding information, refer to the SACT spreadsheet

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Repeat every 21 days

Day	Drug	Dose	Route	Administration
1	CAPECITABINE	2500mg/m²/day In 2 divided doses	PO	for 14 days (the 1st dose will be taken as the evening dose on day 1 and the last dose is taken the morning of day 15, followed by a 7 day rest period) Take within 30 minutes after food, and approximately every 12 hours Available as 500mg and 150mg tablet
TTO				
	Metoclopramide	10mg	РО	10mg up to 3 times a day as required. Do not take for more than 5 days continuously.

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