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| Indication | For the treatment of breast cancer in patients with HER2-positive locally advanced, unresectable or metastatic (stage IV) breast cancer who have previously received trastuzumab and a taxane, either separately or in combination. |
| Treatment Intent | Palliative |
| Frequency and number of cycles | Repeat every 21 days. Continue until disease progression unless progression is within the CNS alone, unacceptable toxicity or patients choice. |
| Monitoring Parameters pre-treatment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The use of trastuzumab emtansine is restricted to patients whose tumours significantly overexpress HER2 at the 3+ level or greater, or a ratio of ≥ 2.0 by ISH • FBC, U&Es and LFTs should be monitored at baseline and prior to each cycle. • At the start of each cycle ensure PLT ≥ 100 and neuts ≥ 1.5, otherwise d/w consultant. • Patients with thrombocytopenia ($\leq 100 \times 10^9/l$) and patients on anti-coagulant treatment should be monitored closely while on trastuzumab emtansine, cases of haemorrhage have been reported. • Blood pressure before every cycle. • Cardiac function should be monitored at baseline (ECHO/MUGA and ECG) and then every 3 months (ECHO or MUGA) during treatment or as clinically indicated. • Record on KOMs Cardiac Monitoring Record. • It is the prescribers' responsibility to check that the ECHO/MUGA result is satisfactory before starting and continuing treatment. LVEF should be $\geq 50\%$ at baseline. See Table 1 for dose modifications. • Hepatic Impairment: No adjustment to the starting dose is required for patients with mild or moderate hepatic impairment. Trastuzumab emtansine has not been studied in patients with severe hepatic impairment. Treatment of patients with hepatic impairment should be undertaken with caution due to known hepatotoxicity observed with trastuzumab emtansine. • Renal Impairment: No adjustment to the starting dose is needed in patients with mild or moderate renal impairment (CrCl ≥ 30ml/min and < 90ml/min). Use with caution in patients with severe renal impairment (CrCl < 30ml/min). • Dose modification • If a dose reduction is required the first should be to 3mg/kg and the second to 2.4mg/kg. No further dose reduction is permitted. Do not re-escalate a previously reduced dose. Treatment should be discontinued if symptoms persist. See table 1 modification guidelines. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Trastuzumab emtansine should be temporarily discontinued in patients experiencing Grade 3 or 4 peripheral neuropathy until resolution to \leq Grade 2. At retreatment a dose reduction may be considered. • Infusion rates and infusion related reaction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Patients must be observed closely for infusion related adverse effects during the infusion and for at least 90 minutes following the first infusion and (if tolerated) for subsequent doses, during the infusion and for at least 30 minutes after the end of the infusion. ○ If the first dose is well tolerated (no infusion related reactions), then the second and subsequent doses may be administered over 30 minutes (no pre-medication required). • Interstitial lung disease (ILD), including pneumonitis, has been reported in patients treated with trastuzumab emtansine. At each nurse assessment assess for dyspnoea, cough & fatigue. It is recommended that treatment be permanently |

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| | <p>discontinued in patients who are diagnosed with ILD or pneumonitis.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Common drug interactions: (for comprehensive list refer to BNF/SPC) • Concomitant use of strong CYP3A4 inhibitors (e.g., ketoconazole, itraconazole, clarithromycin, and voriconazole) should be avoided if possible. • Missed dose: If a dose is missed, it should be administered as soon as possible and the schedule adjusted to maintain a 3 weekly interval between doses. |
| References | KMCC proforma BRE-037v3 CDF list v1.163 SPC accessed online 13/05/20 Blueteq form accessed online 13/05/20 BNF accessed online 13/05/20 St Luke's protocol TRASTUZUMAB EMTANSINE (KADCYLA) IV for metastatic breast cancer V4 |

NB For funding information, refer to CDF and NICE Drugs Funding List

Table 1

| Dose Modifications for Patients with MBC | | |
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| Adverse reaction | Severity | Treatment modification |
| Increased Transaminase (AST/ALT) | Grade 2 (> 2.5 to ≤ 5× the ULN) | Treat at the same dose level |
| | Grade 3 (> 5 to ≤ 20× the ULN) | Do not administer trastuzumab emtansine until AST/ALT recovers to Grade ≤ 2 (<=2.5 to 5 x the ULN), and then reduce one dose level |
| | Grade 4 (> 20× the ULN) | Discontinue trastuzumab emtansine |
| Hyperbilirubinemia | Grade 2 (> 1.5 to ≤ 3× the ULN) | Do not administer trastuzumab emtansine until total bilirubin recovers to Grade ≤ 1 (≤1.5 xULN), and then treat at the same dose level. |
| | Grade 3 (> 3 to ≤ 10× the ULN) | Do not administer trastuzumab emtansine until total bilirubin recovers to Grade ≤ 1 (≤ 1.5 x ULN) and then reduce one dose level. |
| | Grade 4 (> 10× the ULN) | Discontinue trastuzumab emtansine |
| Drug Induced Liver Injury (DILI) | Serum transaminases > 3 x ULN and concomitant total bilirubin > 2× ULN | Permanently discontinue trastuzumab emtansine in the absence of another likely cause for the elevation of liver enzymes and bilirubin, e.g. liver metastasis or concomitant medication |
| Left Ventricular Dysfunction | Symptomatic CHF | Discontinue trastuzumab emtansine |
| | LVEF <40% | Do not administer trastuzumab emtansine. Repeat LVEF assessment within 3 weeks. If LVEF <40% is confirmed, discontinue trastuzumab emtansine |
| | LVEF 40% to ≤ 45% and decrease is ≥ 10% points from baseline | Do not administer trastuzumab emtansine. Repeat LVEF assessment within 3 weeks. If the LVEF has not recovered to within 10% points from baseline, discontinue trastuzumab emtansine. |
| | LVEF 40% to ≤ 45% and decrease is < 10% points from baseline | Continue treatment with trastuzumab emtansine. Repeat LVEF assessment within 3 weeks. |
| | LVEF > 45% | Continue treatment with trastuzumab emtansine. |

ALT = alanine transaminase; AST = aspartate transaminase, CHF = congestive heart failure, LVEF = left ventricular ejection fraction, LVSD = left ventricular systolic dysfunction, TBILI = Total Bilirubin, ULN = upper limit of normal

* Prior to starting trastuzumab emtansine treatment.

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Repeat every 21 days.

| Day | Drug | Dose | Route | Infusion Duration | Administration |
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| Day 1 | Trastuzumab emtansine (Kadcyla®) | 3.6mg/kg | IV | 90 min for first infusion. See notes for subsequent infusions | In 250ml sodium chloride 0.9% with 0.22micron in-line PES filter |

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