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# Regimen Reference Order - BRST - PACLitaxel

ARIA: BRST - [PACLitaxel (MET) q21d]

Planned Course: Every 21 days until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity

Indication for Use: Breast Cancer Metastatic

CVAD: At Provider's Discretion

## **Proceed with treatment if:**

ANC equal to or greater than  $1.5 \times 10^9/L$  AND Platelets equal to or greater than  $100 \times 10^9/L$ 

Contact Physician if parameters not met

## **SEQUENCE OF MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION**

Pre-treatment Requirements						
	Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline			
Not Applicable						

Treatment Regimen – BRST – PACLitaxel					
Establish primary solu	tablish primary solution 500 mL of: normal saline				
Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline			
cetirizine	20 mg	Orally 1 hour prior to PACLitaxel			
dexamethasone	20 mg	IV in normal saline 50 mL over 15 minutes <u>1 hour</u> prior to PACLitaxel			
		*Nursing Alert: PACLitaxel starts 1 hour after completion of dexamethasone infusion			
Wait 1 hour after con	ait 1 hour after completion of IV pre-medication(s) before starting PACLitaxel				
PACLitaxel	175 mg/m <sup>2</sup>	IV in normal saline 500 mL over 3 hours, following the administration rates below:			
		<ul> <li>Administer at 100 mL/hour for 15 minutes, then</li> </ul>			
		<ul> <li>Administer remaining volume over 2 hours and 45 minutes</li> </ul>			
		Use non-DEHP bags and non-DEHP administration sets with 0.22 micron in-line filter			
		*Nursing Alert: Gently invert bag 8 to 10 times immediately prior to administration of PACLitaxel to evenly distribute the drug			

In the event of an infusion-related hypersensitivity reaction, refer to the 'Hypersensitivity Reaction Standing Order'



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# **REQUIRED MONITORING**

### All Cycles

- · CBC and biochemistry as per Physician Orders
- Full vital signs (temperature, heart rate, respiratory rate, blood pressure and O<sub>2</sub> saturation) at baseline and as clinically indicated
- No observation period required. Patient can be discharged from treatment if stable whether they had a reaction or not

Recommended Support Medications					
Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline			
metoclopramide	10 – 20 mg	Orally every 4 hours as needed for nausea and vomiting			

## **DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS**

- Patients should be instructed to contact their cancer team immediately if symptoms of hypersensitivity reactions occur after discharge
- Instruct patient to continue taking anti-emetic(s) at home
- Reinforce applicable safe handling precautions of medications, blood and body fluids for 48 hours after completion of chemotherapy

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

· PACLitaxel may cause progressive, irreversible neuropathy

