

# Regimen Reference Order – BRST - palbociclib + letrozole +/- goserelin

ARIA: BRST – [palbociclib]  
 BRST – [Hormonal therapy]  
 BRST – [LHRH Agonists]

**Planned Course:** Until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity  
 (1 cycle of palbociclib = 28 days)

**Indication for Use:** Breast Cancer Metastatic, Hormone Receptor Positive, HER2 negative

**CVAD:** Not Required

***Proceed with treatment if:***  
***palbociclib***

- *ANC equal to or greater than 1 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L AND Platelets equal to or greater than 75 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L*

***Aromatase Inhibitor and LHRH agonist***

- *Continued throughout therapy regardless of CBC. If palbociclib is held for toxicity, Aromatase Inhibitor and LHRH agonist are continued*

❖ **Contact Physician if parameters not met**

## SEQUENCE OF MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION

Pre-treatment Requirements		
Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline
Not Applicable		

Treatment Regimen – BRST – palbociclib + letrozole +/- goserelin		
Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline
palbociclib	125 mg	Orally once daily on <b>Days 1 to 21, then 7 days off</b> Take with or without food Swallow whole <b>(Self-administered at home)</b>
letrozole <b>OR</b> alternate Aromatase Inhibitor (see options on table on Page 3)	2.5 mg	Orally once daily throughout therapy Take with or without food <b>(Self-administered at home)</b>
goserelin* <b>OR</b> alternate LHRH agonist* (see options on table on Page 3)	3.6 mg	Subcutaneous once every 28 days <b>(goserelin or alternate LHRH agonist starts 28 days prior to the start of aromatase inhibitor then continues throughout therapy)</b>
* LHRH agonists are only prescribed for pre- or peri-menopausal patients		

**palbociclib (Ibrance®) available dosage strengths: 75 mg, 100 mg, 125 mg tablets**  
**Classification: Cytotoxic, Hazardous**

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

## REQUIRED MONITORING

For palbociclib

Cycles 1 and 2

Day 1

- CBC and biochemistry as per Physician Orders

Day 15

- CBC

Cycles 3 to 6

- CBC and biochemistry prior to Day 1 and as clinically indicated as per Physician Orders
- No blood work required on Day 15

Cycle 7 and Onwards

- CBC prior to Day 1 at physician’s discretion
  - Each cycle (if ANC was less than  $1 \times 10^9/L$  during first 6 cycles) or
  - Every 3<sup>rd</sup> cycle (if ANC was  $1 \times 10^9/L$  or greater during first 6 cycles)
- Biochemistry periodically as clinically indicated as per Physician Orders

## Recommended Support Medications

Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline
None required		

## DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS

- palbociclib has potential for drug-drug interactions. Patients should notify clinic prior to starting any new medication
- palbociclib has potential for myelosuppression
- Avoid grapefruit and grapefruit juice, Seville oranges (i.e. orange marmalade), and starfruit with palbociclib
- Reinforce applicable safe handling precautions of medications, blood and body fluids while on palbociclib

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Breast DSG oncologists may prescribe palbociclib in combination with different aromatase inhibitors and LHRH agonists
- Pre- and peri-menopausal patients initiate LHRH agonist therapy at least 4 weeks before starting treatment with palbociclib and aromatase inhibitor
- Due to the various combinations used with palbociclib, this Regimen Reference Order provides only one example of possible combinations. The tables below outline different drugs/dosing schedules which may be prescribed:

Options for Aromatase Inhibitors		
Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline
anastrozole	1 mg	Orally once daily throughout therapy Take with or without food <b>(Self-administered at home)</b>
<b>OR</b>		
exemestane	25 mg	Orally once daily throughout therapy Take after a meal <b>(Self-administered at home)</b>
<b>OR</b>		
letrozole	2.5 mg	Orally once daily throughout therapy Take with or without food <b>(Self-administered at home)</b>
<p><b>anastrozole (Arimdex®) available dosage strength: 1 mg tablet</b>  <b>Classification: Non-Cytotoxic, Hazardous</b></p> <p><b>exemestane (Aromasin®) available dosage strength: 25 mg tablet</b>  <b>Classification: Non-Cytotoxic, Hazardous</b></p> <p><b>letrozole (Femara®) available dosage strength: 2.5 mg tablet</b>  <b>Classification: Non-Cytotoxic, Hazardous</b></p>		

Options for LHRH Agonists		
Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline
goserelin	3.6 mg	Subcutaneous once every 28 days (4 weeks)
	<b>OR</b>	
	10.8 mg	Subcutaneous once every 84 days (12 weeks)
<b>OR</b>		
leuprolide	7.5 mg	Subcutaneous once every 28 days (4 weeks)
	<b>OR</b>	
	22.5 mg	Subcutaneous once every 84 days (12 weeks)
<p><b>goserelin (Zoladex®) available dosage strengths: 3.6 mg, 10.8 mg syringe</b>  <b>Classification: Non-Cytotoxic, Hazardous</b></p> <p><b>leuprolide (Eligard®) available dosage strengths: 7.5 mg, 22.5 mg syringe</b>  <b>Classification: Non-Cytotoxic, Hazardous</b></p>		

- palbociclib dose interruptions and/or reductions may be required for neutropenia; If palbociclib is held for toxicity reasons, aromatase inhibitor and LHRH agonist therapy continue while palbociclib is held
- Please note that ARIA regimens/protocols require each drug to be ordered separately
  - **BRST – [palbociclib]** regimen is available as a 28-day cycle under the “Breast” treatment tab in ARIA
  - Support protocols are available for **anastrozole, exemestane, and letrozole** (90-day supply) under BRST – [Hormonal therapy]
  - Support protocols are available for **goserelin** and **leuprolide** (either q 28 days OR q 12 weeks) under BRST – [LHRH Agonists]
- palbociclib will be dispensed by CCMB Pharmacy