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# **Regimen Reference Order – GAST – mod FOLFIRINOX (Adjuvant)**

ARIA: GAST - [mod FOLFIRINOX (ADJ)]

Planned Course:Every 14 days for 12 cyclesIndication for Use:Pancreatic Cancer Adjuvant

CVAD: Required (Ambulatory Pump)

#### Proceed with treatment if:

ANC equal to or greater than 1.5 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L AND Platelets equal to or greater than 100 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L Contact Physician if parameters not met

SEQUENCE OF MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION

Pre-treatment Requirements				
Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline		
		Not Applicable		

## **Treatment Regimen – GAST – mod FOLFIRINOX (Adjuvant)**

Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline
ondansetron	16 mg	Orally 30 minutes pre-chemotherapy
dexamethasone	12 mg	Orally 30 minutes pre-chemotherapy
oxaliplatin	85 mg/m <sup>2</sup>	IV in 500 mL D5W over 2 hours
atropine	0.6 mg	IV Push over 2 – 3 minutes pre-irinotecan May be repeated once if diarrhea occurs during irinotecan infusion
irinotecan	150 mg/m <sup>2</sup>	IV in 500 mL D5W over 90 minutes irinotecan can be infused at the same time as leucovorin through a Y site
leucovorin	400 mg/m <sup>2</sup>	IV in 500 mL D5W over 90 minutes
fluorouracil	2400 mg/m <sup>2</sup>	IV in D5W continuously over 46 hours by ambulatory infusion device

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



#### **REQUIRED MONITORING**

#### All Cycles

• CBC, serum creatinine, urea, electrolytes, liver enzymes, total bilirubin, albumin, calcium and magnesium as per Physician Orders

Recommended Support Medications			
Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline	
dexamethasone	8 mg	Orally once daily on Days 2 and 3	
prochlorperazine	10 mg	Orally every 6 hours as needed for nausea and vomiting	
loperamide	2 – 4 mg	Orally as directed below	

#### **DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS**

- Instruct patient to continue taking anti-emetic(s) at home
- Ensure patient has received a home chemotherapy spill kit and instruction for use
- If diarrhea occurs within 24 hours of irinotecan administration:
  - Return to cancer care clinic or go to the emergency department. A second dose of intravenous atropine may be required
- If cramping or diarrhea occurs more than 24 hours after irinotecan administration:
  - Take loperamide 4 mg (two 2 mg tablets) orally STAT; then
  - During the day: take 2 mg (one 2 mg tablet) orally every 2 hours
  - o During the night: Take 4 mg (two 2 mg tablets) orally at bedtime and then every 4 hours until morning
  - STOP loperamide once no bowel movement has occurred (e.g. diarrhea-free) for 12 hours
  - If diarrhea has not stopped despite taking 12 tablets (24 mg) of loperamide over a 24 hour period, please contact your clinic for further instructions. If this occurs after clinic hours, please call the Medical Oncologist on-call and/or report to the nearest emergency room/urgent care centre. Please note that 24 mg per 24 hours is higher than the usual "over the counter" dose for loperamide
- Reinforce safe handling precautions of medications, blood and body fluids for 48 hours after completion of chemotherapy

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- Nursing to provide patient with 30 tablet supply of loperamide 2 mg, labelled by Pharmacy, to take home with Cycle 1
- oxaliplatin causes cold intolerance and laryngopharyngeal dysesthesia

   no ice chips or cold drinks
- oxaliplatin may cause progressive, irreversible neuropathy
  - dose modification may be required

