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## Regimen Reference Order - GENU - pembrolizumab (Adjuvant renal)

ARIA: GENU - [pembro q 21 days (ADJ)]
GENU - [pembro q 42 days (ADJ)]

Planned Course: Every 21 days up to a maximum of 1 year of therapy (17 cycles)

OR

Every 42 days up to a maximum of 1 year of therapy (9 cycles)

Indication for Use: Renal Cell Carcinoma Adjuvant

**Drug Alert: Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor** 

CVAD: At Provider's Discretion

## Proceed with treatment if:

• ANC equal to or greater than 1.5 x  $10^9/L$  AND Platelets equal to or greater than 50 x  $10^9/L$ 

- AST/ALT equal to or less than 3 times the upper limit of normal
- Total bilirubin equal to or less than 1.5 times the upper limit of normal
- Creatinine clearance is equal to or greater than 30 mL/minute
  - Contact Physician if parameters not met

#### SEQUENCE OF MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION

Pre-treatment Requirements				
Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline		
Not Applicable				

# Treatment Regimen – GENU – pembrolizumab (Adjuvant renal)

Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline
pembrolizumab	2 mg/kg	IV in normal saline 50 mL over 30 minutes
	(every 21 days)	Use 0.2 or 0.22 micron filter
	OR	
	4 mg/kg	IV in normal saline 100 mL over 30 minutes
	(every 42 days)	Use 0.2 or 0.22 micron filter

Maximum pembrolizumab dose is 200 mg (every 21 days) or 400 mg (every 42 days)

All doses will be automatically rounded that fall within CCMB Approved Dose Bands. See Dose Banding document for more information

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



## **REQUIRED MONITORING**

#### All Cycles

- CBC, serum creatinine, urea, AST, ALT, total bilirubin, albumin, glucose, sodium, potassium, calcium and magnesium as per Physician Orders
- TSH prior to cycle 1 then every 6 weeks thereafter as per Physician Orders
- Medical oncologist or designate (i.e. family practitioner in oncology) must assess patient for immune-mediated adverse reactions prior to each cycle
- 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 room if stable whether they had a reaction or not

Recommended Support Medications				
	Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline	
None required				

#### DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS

- Patient should be instructed to contact their cancer team immediately if symptoms of hypersensitivity reactions occur after discharge
- Confirm that patient has received the CCMB Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor Medical Alert wallet card
- Reinforce to patient the immune-mediated adverse reactions and importance of reporting immediately
  - For severe symptoms, the patient should be instructed to go to the nearest emergency room. Oncologist on call should be contacted

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

pembrolizumab is an Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor. Consult with oncologist for immune-mediated adverse reactions;
 corticosteroids are often indicated

