

## Regimen Monograph

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## A - Regimen Name

**CISPETOP(RT) Regimen**

CISplatin-Etoposide

**Disease Site** Lung - Non-Small Cell  
Lung - Small Cell

**Intent** Neoadjuvant  
Adjuvant  
Curative  
Palliative

**Regimen Category** **Evidence-Informed :**

Regimen is considered appropriate as part of the standard care of patients; meaningfully improves outcomes (survival, quality of life), tolerability or costs compared to alternatives (recommended by the Disease Site Team and national consensus body e.g. pan-Canadian Oncology Drug Review, pCODR). Recommendation is based on an appropriately conducted phase III clinical trial relevant to the Canadian context OR (where phase III trials are not feasible) an appropriately sized phase II trial. Regimens where one or more drugs are not approved by Health Canada for any indication will be identified under Rationale and Use.

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## B - Drug Regimen

<a href="#">CISplatin</a>	50 mg /m <sup>2</sup>	IV	Days 1, 8, 29, 36
<a href="#">etoposide</a>	50 mg /m <sup>2</sup>	IV	Days 1 to 5 and 29 to 33

**Concurrent with RADIOTHERAPY**

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## C - Cycle Frequency

### 8 WEEK CYCLE

One cycle during concurrent radiotherapy  
Some centres give an additional 8-week cycle of cisplatin and etoposide after completion of radiation

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## D - Premedication and Supportive Measures

**Antiemetic Regimen:** Moderate (D1, 8, 29, 36)  
Low (D2-5, 30-33)

**Febrile Neutropenia Risk:** High  
Consider G-CSF prophylaxis for patients at high risk of febrile neutropenia. See [G-CSF recommendations](#).

### Other Supportive Care:

Also refer to [CCO Antiemetic Recommendations](#).

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## E - Dose Modifications

Doses should be modified according to the protocol by which the patient is being treated. The following recommendations are in use at some centres.

### Dosage with toxicity

Hematologic Toxicities: Refer to Appendix 6 for general recommendations.

In clinical trials,

- Cisplatin was **omitted** on day 8 or 36 for grade 4 neutropenia or febrile neutropenia, during

concurrent chemoradiotherapy. A break in radiation was allowed for grade 4 neutropenia.

- Cisplatin and etoposide were **delayed** 1 week on day 29 for an ANC < 1.5 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L or a platelet count < 100 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L.
- Etoposide was **reduced** to 4 days, if febrile neutropenia occurred during the previous cycle.

Non-Hematologic Toxicities

In clinical trials:

- Cisplatin was **omitted** on day 8 or 36 for grade 4 esophagitis. A break in radiation was allowed for severe esophagitis requiring parenteral alimentation.
- Cisplatin and etoposide were **delayed** 1 week on day 29 for > grade 3 non-hematological toxicity.

Hepatic Impairment

Bilirubin	Action
1. If Bilirubin 1-2 x ULN	<b>REDUCE</b> Etoposide to <b>50%</b> dose
2. If Bilirubin 2-4 x ULN	<b>REDUCE</b> Etoposide to <b>25%</b> dose
3. If Bilirubin > 4 x ULN	<b>OMIT</b> Etoposide

Renal Impairment

Creatinine Clearance	Action
1. If CrCl 10 – 50 mL/min	<b>OMIT</b> Cisplatin* and <b>REDUCE</b> Etoposide to <b>75%</b> dose
2. If CrCl < 10 mL/min	<b>REDUCE</b> Etoposide to <b>50%</b> dose, and <b>OMIT</b> Cisplatin* dose

\*In clinical trials:

Cisplatin was omitted if the serum creatinine was > 1.7 mg/dL and the calculated creatinine clearance was < 45 mL/min. After a one week delay, cisplatin was reduced to 25 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, if the serum creatinine was > 1.7 mg/dL but < 2 mg/dL and the calculated creatinine clearance was > 45 mL/min.

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## F - Adverse Effects

Refer to [CISplatin](#), [etoposide](#) drug monograph(s) for additional details of adverse effects

### **Most Frequently Occurring Adverse Effects**

- Nausea and Vomiting
- Nephrotoxicity
- Neurotoxicity and ototoxicity
- Myelosuppression
- Fatigue

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## G - Interactions

Refer to [CISplatin](#), [etoposide](#) drug monograph(s) for additional details

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## H - Drug Administration and Special Precautions

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## I - Recommended Clinical Monitoring

Treating physicians may decide to monitor more or less frequently for individual patients but should always consider recommendations from the product monograph.

### Recommended Clinical Monitoring

- Clinical toxicity assessment (including neurotoxicity, ototoxicity); at each visit
- CBC before each cycle. Interim counts should be done in first cycle and repeated if dose modifications necessary
- Baseline and regular liver and renal function tests (including electrolytes and magnesium) and urinalysis
- Blood pressure monitoring during infusion
- Grade toxicity using the current [NCI-CTCAE \(Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events\) version](#)

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## J - Administrative Information

Approximate Patient Visit	Days 1, 8, 29, 36: 4 hours; Etoposide only: 1 hour
Pharmacy Workload (average time per visit)	13.451 minutes
Nursing Workload (average time per visit)	40.833 minutes

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## K - References

Albain KS, Swann RS, Rusch VR, et al. Radiotherapy plus chemotherapy with or without surgical resection for stage III non-small-cell lung cancer: a phase III randomised controlled trial. *Lancet* 2009; 374: 379-86.

Cisplatin and etoposide drug monographs, Cancer Care Ontario.

### PEBC Advice Documents or Guidelines

- [Treatment of Patients with Stage III \(N2 or N3\) Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer](#)
- [Initial Management of Small Cell Lung Cancer \(Limited and Extensive Stage\) and the Role of Thoracic Radiotherapy and First-Line Chemotherapy](#)

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