

Regimen Monograph

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A - Regimen Name

CRBPPACL(W) Regimen

CARBOplatin-PACLitaxel

Disease Site Gynecologic - Ovary

Intent 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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Rationale and Uses Treatment for recurrent stage II-IV epithelial ovarian, primary peritoneal or fallopian tube cancers

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B - Drug Regimen

PACLitaxel	80 mg /m ²	IV	Days 1, 8, 15
CARBOplatin	AUC 4 to 6*	IV	Day 1

*Adjust Carboplatin dose to AUC target (using Calvert formula) as outlined in Other Notes section.

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C - Cycle Frequency**REPEAT EVERY 21 DAYS**

Until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity, usually up to 6 cycles due to cumulative carboplatin toxicity

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D - Premedication and Supportive Measures

Antiemetic Regimen: Moderate + NK1 antagonist (Carboplatin AUC \geq 5)
Moderate (Carboplatin AUC < 5)

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

Pre-medications (prophylaxis for infusion reaction):

Paclitaxel*:

To be given 30-60 minutes prior to infusion:

- Dexamethasone 10 mg IV, starting in cycle 1
- Diphenhydramine 25-50 mg IV/PO
- Ranitidine 50 mg IV OR Famotidine 20 mg IV

* Consider **discontinuing** pre-medications for paclitaxel if there was no IR with the first 2 doses.

Carboplatin:

- There is insufficient evidence that routine prophylaxis with pre-medications reduce infusion reaction (IR) rates.
- Corticosteroids and H1-receptor antagonists ± H2-receptor antagonists **may** reduce IR rates for some patients (e.g. gynecological patients with a platinum-free interval (PFI) > 12 months or a history of drug allergy who are receiving carboplatin starting from the 7th cycle) but no optimal pre-medication regimen has been established.

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J - Administrative Information

Approximate Patient Visit	2-2.5 hours
Pharmacy Workload (average time per visit)	22.569 minutes
Nursing Workload (average time per visit)	43.167 minutes

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K - References

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PEBC Advice Documents or Guidelines

- [Systemic Therapy for Recurrent Epithelial Ovarian Cancer](#)

June 2021 removed paclitaxel NDFP funding info

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L - Other Notes

Calvert Formula

DOSE (mg) = target AUC X (GFR + 25)

- AUC = product of serum concentration (mg/mL) and time (min)
- GFR (glomerular filtration rate) expressed as measured Creatinine Clearance or estimated from Serum Creatinine (by Cockcroft and Gault method or Jelliffe method)

(Calvert AH, Newell DR, Gumbrell LA, et al, Carboplatin dosage: Prospective evaluation of a simple formula based on renal function. J Clin Oncol, 1989; 7: 1748-1756)

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