

Regimen Monograph

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A - Regimen Name

CRBPVNCR Regimen

CARBOplatin-VinCRISStine

Disease Site Central Nervous System

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.

Rationale and Uses For the treatment of recurrent malignant glioma and progressive low grade glioma.

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B - Drug Regimen

CARBOplatin AUC 5 or 6 IV Day 1

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

vinCRISStine 1.5 mg /m² IV Days 1, 8 and 15
(maximum dose of 2mg)

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Until evidence of disease progression or limited by drug toxicity

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Antiemetic Regimen: Moderate + NK1 antagonist (Carboplatin AUC \geq 5) (D1)
Minimal (D8, 15)

Other Supportive Care:

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

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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 [general recommendations](#).

Dosage for neuropathy:

Symptom	Vincristine (% usual dose)
Areflexia only	100%
Abnormal buttoning, writing	67%
Moderate motor neuropathy (\pm cranial)	Hold until recovery then reduce dose by 50%
Severe motor neuropathy	Omit

Hepatic Impairment

Bilirubin	Vincristine (% usual dose)
> 1 – 2.5 x ULN	50%
> 2.5 x ULN	25%

Renal Impairment

Creatinine Clearance (ml/sec)	Carboplatin (% previous dose)
0.4-0.6	REDUCE Carboplatin dose by 50mg/m²
0.2-0.4	REDUCE Carboplatin dose by 100mg/m²
< 0.2	OMIT Carboplatin

Carboplatin: See "Other Notes" section for Calvert Formula

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F - Adverse Effects

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

Most Common Side Effects	Less Common Side Effects, but may be Severe or Life-Threatening
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Myelosuppression +/- infection, bleeding • Nausea, vomiting • ↑ LFTs • Nephrotoxicity • Neurotoxicity (including ototoxicity; may be severe) • Abnormal electrolytes • Alopecia • Constipation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hypersensitivity • Arterial thromboembolism • Venous thromboembolism • GI perforation • Hemolytic uremic syndrome • Tumour lysis syndrome • Seizures

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G - Interactions

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H - Drug Administration and Special Precautions

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I - Recommended Clinical Monitoring

Recommended Clinical Monitoring

- CBC; baseline and before each cycle
- Liver function tests; baseline and regular
- Renal function tests, including electrolytes; baseline and regular
- Clinical toxicity assessment for neurotoxicity, hypersensitivity, bleeding, infection,

nausea and vomiting; regular

- Grade toxicity using the current [NCI-CTCAE \(Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events\) version](#)

Suggested Clinical Monitoring

INR; baseline and as clinically indicated

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J - Administrative Information

Approximate Patient Visit

Day 1: 1 to 1.5 hours

Days 8, 15: 0.5 hour

Pharmacy Workload (average time per visit) 11.563 minutes

Nursing Workload (average time per visit) 54.167 minutes

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K - References

Carboplatin and vincristine drug monographs, Cancer Care Ontario.

Packer RJ, Ater J, Allen J et al. Carboplatin and vincristine chemotherapy for children with newly diagnosed progressive low-grade gliomas. J Neurosurg. 1997 May; 86(5): 747-54.

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L - Other Notes

Calvert Formula

$$\text{DOSE (mg)} = \text{target AUC} \times (\text{GFR} + 25)$$

- 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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