

Regimen Monograph

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A - Regimen Name

DOCE+TRAS Regimen

DOCEtaxel-Trastuzumab

Disease Site Head and Neck
Salivary Gland

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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B - Drug Regimen**Cycle 1:**

trastuzumab	8 mg /kg	IV (loading dose)	Day 1
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(This drug is not currently publicly funded for this regimen and intent)

DOCEtaxel ¹	70 mg /m ²	IV	Day 1
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Cycle 2 and onwards:

trastuzumab	6 mg /kg	IV (maintenance dose)	Day 1
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DOCEtaxel ¹	70 mg /m ²	IV	Day 1
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¹Reduce docetaxel dose to 55 mg/m² in patients ≥ 75 years of age

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

For a usual total of 6 cycles. Trastuzumab may continue until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity (refer to TRAS(MNT)).

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D - Premedication and Supportive Measures

Antiemetic Regimen: Low

Other Supportive Care:

Also refer to [CCO Antiemetic Summary](#)

Premedications for Docetaxel (prophylaxis for infusion reaction):

- Dexamethasone* 8 mg PO BID for 3 days, starting 1-day pre-infusion[†]

* Do **not** discontinue dexamethasone, even in the absence of an IR, due to the benefits on other adverse effects (e.g. pain and edema).

[†] Dexamethasone 10-20 mg IV can be given if patient forgot to take oral doses.

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J - Administrative Information

Approximate Patient Visit	First cycle: 3 hours; Subsequent cycles: 2 hours
Pharmacy Workload (average time per visit)	33.025 minutes
Nursing Workload (average time per visit)	71.667 minutes

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K - References

Takahashi H, Tada Y, Saotome T, et al. Phase II trial of trastuzumab and docetaxel in patients with human epidermal growth factor receptor 2-positive salivary duct carcinoma. *J Clin Oncol* 2019 Jan 10;37(2):125-34.

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