

## Regimen Monograph

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## A - Regimen Name

# GDP Regimen

**Gemcitabine-Dexamethasone-PLATINOL® (CISplatin)****Disease Site** Hematologic - Lymphoma - Non-Hodgkin's Low Grade**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** For use in selected patients with relapsed/refractory indolent NHL.**Supplementary Public Funding** **dexamethasone**  
ODB - General Benefit (dexamethasone) ([ODB Formulary](#))[back to top](#)

**B - Drug Regimen**

<a href="#">gemcitabine</a>	1000 mg /m <sup>2</sup>	IV	Days 1 and 8
<b>dexamethasone</b>	40 mg	PO	Days 1 to 4
(Outpatient prescription in 4mg tablets)			
<a href="#">CISplatin</a>	75 mg /m <sup>2</sup>	IV	Day 1

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- If complete or partial response occurs after 2 cycles, may proceed to autologous stem cell transplant (ASCT). May receive a third cycle if patient has not achieved a complete or partial response after 2 cycles.
- Patients with stable disease who were not candidates for stem cell transplant or patients who had any response after 2-3 cycles of GDP may receive up to 6 cycles of treatment.

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**Antiemetic Regimen:** High (D1)  
Low (D8)

**Other Supportive Care:**

- The day 1 dexamethasone dose can be given IV before chemotherapy to prevent emesis, with the oral treatment dose reduced accordingly.
- Consider use of filgrastim to maintain dose intensity for patients with febrile neutropenia or prolonged neutropenia.
- Standard regimens for Cisplatin premedication and hydration should be followed. Refer to local guidelines.

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

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## J - Administrative Information

Approximate Patient Visit	Day 1: 4-5 hours; Day 8: 0.75 hour
Pharmacy Workload (average time per visit)	35.648 minutes
Nursing Workload (average time per visit)	44.167 minutes

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## K - References

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