

Regimen Monograph

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A - Regimen Name

ICE+RITU Regimen

Ifosfamide (with Mesna)-Carboplatin-Etoposide-riTUXimab

Disease Site Hematologic - Lymphoma - Non-Hodgkin's High Grade
Hematologic - Lymphoma - Non-Hodgkin's Intermediate Grade

Intent Adjuvant
Curative

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 treatment of relapsed aggressive histology CD20+ lymphoma with intent to proceed to autologous stem cell transplantation.
- Patients must have been previously treated with rituximab-based chemoimmunotherapy (e.g., R-CHOP) for aggressive histology lymphoma and had a best response of at least partial response (PR).

**Supplementary
Public Funding**

[riTUXimab](#)

New Drug Funding Program (Rituximab (Biosimilar IV) and Rituximab SC -
Retreatment - Aggressive Histology Lymphoma) ([NDFP Website](#))

[riTUXimab \(subcut\)](#)

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B - Drug Regimen

Adapted for outpatient administration

Note: Different rituximab products are NOT INTERCHANGEABLE.

Cycle 1: All patients must receive their first dose of rituximab by IV infusion.

riTUXimab	375 mg /m ²	IV	Day 1
ifosfamide	1667 mg /m ²	IV	Days 1 to 3

together with:

mesna	1667 mg /m ²	IV	Days 1 to 3
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THEN:

mesna	2000 mg	PO	Days 1 to 3; 2 and 6 hours after each ifosfamide dose
CARBOplatin	AUC 5	IV	Day 1
etoposide	100 mg /m ²	IV	Days 1 to 3

Cycle 2 and onwards (for a total of 2-3 cycles (refer to Cycle Frequency section), including initial IV rituximab cycle(s)):

Rituximab IV:

riTUXimab	375 mg /m ²	IV	Day 1
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OR

Rituximab (subcut):

The subcutaneous formulation must only be given at the second or subsequent cycles, and only after at least one full rituximab IV dose.

riTUXimab (subcut)	1400 mg	Subcut	Day 1
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Plus ICE chemotherapy:

ifosfamide	1667 mg /m ²	IV	Days 1 to 3
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together with:

mesna	1667 mg /m ²	IV	Days 1 to 3
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THEN:

mesna	2000 mg	PO	Days 1 to 3; 2 and 6 hours each ifosfamide dose
CARBOplatin	AUC 5	IV	Day 1
etoposide	100 mg /m ²	IV	Days 1 to 3

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After 2-3 cycles, responding patients may be considered for high-dose chemotherapy and autologous stem cell transplant.

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

Other Supportive Care:

Filgrastim is given after each chemotherapy cycle (refer to references).

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

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J - Administrative Information

Pharmacy Workload (average time per visit) 33.243 minutes

Nursing Workload (average time per visit) 50.837 minutes

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K - References

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