

**Systemic Anti Cancer Therapy Protocol**

**Nivolumab Adjuvant**

**Free of charge (FOC) Scheme in Bladder Cancer**

**PROTOCOL REF: MPHANIVADUR**  
**(Version No: 1.0)**

**Approved for use in:**

Compassionate use as adjuvant treatment, following radical surgery, of urothelial carcinoma (with primary tumor sites including bladder, ureter, or renal pelvis).

**Exclusions**

History of pneumonitis, organ transplantation, HIV infection, active hepatitis B or C infection, Active infection requiring systemic treatment, Less than 4 weeks from major surgery or history of clinically severe autoimmune disease.

**Patient Counselling Points**

Women of childbearing potential should use effective contraception throughout treatment and for at least 5 months following the last dose of Nivolumab.

Contact the triage team for the following:

- New or worsening cough, chest pain or shortness of breath
- Diarrhoea or severe abdominal pain (with or without blood/mucous)
- Jaundice, severe nausea or vomiting, or easy bruising or bleeding
- Persistent or unusual headache, extreme weakness, dizziness or fainting, or vision changes
- Monitor for signs of infection / sepsis

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## Dosage:

| Drug      | Dose  | Route       | Frequency             |
|-----------|-------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Nivolumab | 240mg | IV infusion | 2 weekly for 52 weeks |

- Dosing delay or discontinuation may be required based on individual safety and tolerability.
- Guidelines for permanent discontinuation or withholding of doses are contained in 'Dose Modifications' section.
- Detailed guidelines for the management of immune-related adverse reactions is available on the following link:

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## Administration:

| Day | Drug      | Dose  | Route       | Diluent and rate  |
|-----|-----------|-------|-------------|---|
| 1   | Nivolumab | 240mg | IV infusion | 100mL sodium chloride 0.9%.<br>Infused over 30 minutes in a non-pyrogenic line with a 0.2 micron filter |

- Routine prophylaxis against infusion related reactions is not required.
- However the patient should be monitored during infusion, and treatment given if necessary (antihistamines, steroids etc).
- Please refer to the CCC [Hypersensitivity; Management Prevention Policy](#)

## Extravasation risk:

Monoclonal antibody – treat symptomatically, no specific recommendations.

Refer to the CCC policy for the 'Prevention and Management of Extravasation Injuries'.

## Main toxicities:

For full details on assessment and management of immune-related toxicities refer to [CCC Immuno-Oncology toxicity specific guidance for adverse event management.](#)

## Nivolumab

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| <p>Immune-Mediated Pneumonitis</p> <p>Pneumonitis occurred in 3% of melanoma patients (including G3 in 0.2%).</p>   | <p>Monitor patients for signs and symptoms and evaluate with radiographic imaging and administer corticosteroids for G2 or greater.</p> |
| <p>Immune-Mediated Colitis</p> <p>Colitis occurred in 1% of patients (including G3 in 0.5%).</p>  | <p>Monitor patients for signs and symptoms and administer corticosteroids for G2 or greater.</p>  |
| <p>Other Immune-Mediated Toxicities:</p> <p>Hepatitis<br/>Hypophysitis<br/>Nephritis<br/>Hyperthyroidism or Hypothyroidism</p> <p>Less frequently:<br/>Exfoliative dermatitis, uveitis, arthritis, myositis, pancreatitis, haemolytic anaemia</p> | <p>Monitor LFTs, biochemistry and TFTs</p> <p>As above, consider corticosteroids for G2 or greater</p>                                  |
| <p>Other non-immune adverse events:</p> <p>Fatigue, anaemia<br/>Cough, dyspnoea<br/>Nausea, decreased appetite<br/>Pruritis, rash<br/>Constipation, diarrhoea<br/>Arthralgia</p>  | <p>Symptomatic management for G1/G2</p> <p>Monitor diarrhoea – as this may be the first sign of colitis</p>                             |
| <p>Laboratory abnormalities:</p> <p>Hyponatraemia, hypocalcaemia, hyperglycaemia, hypertriglyceridaemia</p>   | <p>Monitor at each cycle</p>  |

### Investigations and treatment plan:

**If suspicion of endocrinopathies: request** TSH, T4, T3, ACTH, cortisol, LH, FSH, testosterone (men) and prolactin (women).

|   | Pre | Cycle 1 | Cycle 2 | Prior to cycle 3 | Cycle 3 | Ongoing  |
|---|-----|---------|---------|------------------|---------|--|
| Informed Consent  | X   |         |         |                  |         |  |
| Clinical Assessment   | X   |         |         |                  | X       | As clinically indicated or at the end of treatment   |
| SACT Assessment (to include PS and toxicities)  | X   | X       | X       |                  | X       | Every cycle  |
| Immunotherapy bloods as per Meditech order set:<br>FBC, U&E/renal profile, Magnesium, LFTs, TFTs, cortisol, blood glucose, LDH, CRP | X   | X       | X       |                  | X       | Every cycle  |
| Fatigue profile as per Meditech order set:<br>B12, folate, Iron profile, vitamin D, Zinc, Testosterone (men only), ESR              | X   |         |         |                  |         | At baseline then if clinically indicated   |
| Lipids and cholesterol  | X   |         |         |                  |         | At baseline then if clinically indicated   |
| CrCl (Cockcroft and Gault)  | X   |         |         |                  |         | Every cycle only if baseline CrCL ≤40ml/min or creatinine increases above 1.5 x upper limit of normal          |
| CT scan   | X   |         |         |                  |         | Every 6 months if clinically indicated   |
| Trop-T, CK, pro -BNp  |     |         |         |                  |         | As clinically indicated<br><b>At baseline for all Renal and Melanoma (ECG to be reviewed by clinical team)</b> |
| ECG   |     |         |         |                  |         |  |
| Full Observations   | X   | X       | X       |                  | X       | Every cycle  |
| Weight recorded   | X   | X       | X       |                  | X       | Every cycle  |
| Height recorded   | X   |         |         |                  |         |  |

Pregnancy test if applicable

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## Dose Modifications and Toxicity Management:

### Haematological toxicity

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Proceed on day 1 if:-

| Platelets                 | Neutrophils                | Creatinine Clearance | Bilirubin             | AST/ALT  | Alkaline Phosphatase | TSH and Free T4                          |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------------------|--|
| ≥ 75 x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L | ≥ 1.0 x 10 <sup>9</sup> /L | ≥30 mL/min           | <3 x ULN <sup>a</sup> | <5 x ULN | <5 x ULN             | Within range or no change from base line |

<sup>a</sup>ULN = upper limit of normal

The dose should be omitted if appropriate. Inform consultant if there has been an increase in liver function test from previous results.

## 8.0 Toxicity management:

Systemic high-dose corticosteroid with or without additional immunosuppressive therapy may be required for management of severe immune-related adverse reactions.

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**Non- Haematological toxicity:**

| <b>Toxicity Grade</b>                | <b>Action</b>  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Grade 1</b><br>Mild               | No action. Provide symptomatic treatment   |
| <b>Grade 2</b><br>Moderate           | Withhold Nivolumab until resolved to <grade 1.<br>Refer to Immuno-Oncology toxicity specific guidance for adverse event management.  |
| <b>Grade 3 and Grade 4</b><br>Severe | Withhold Nivolumab.<br>Refer to Immuno-Oncology toxicity specific guidance for adverse event management. Nivolumab will be permanently discontinued for any unresolving grade 3-4, severe or life-threatening adverse reaction at the treating clinician's discretion. |

## References:

1. <https://www.medicines.org.uk/emc/medicine/30476>
2. ASCO GU 2021: First Results from the Phase 3 CheckMate 274 Trial of Adjuvant Nivolumab vs Placebo in Patients Who Underwent Radical Surgery for High-Risk Muscle-Invasive Urothelial Carcinoma

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