

CABAZITAXEL (Jevtana)

INDICATION (ICD10) C61

Check the most recent Blumetq eligibility criteria before prescribing. Blumetq registration required.
(www.england.nhs.uk/publication/national-cancer-drugs-fund-list/)

Cabazitaxel for hormone-relapsed metastatic prostate cancer treated with docetaxel

2. Hormone-relapsed metastatic prostate cancer.
3. Patient has received 225mg/m² or more of docetaxel and the disease has progressed during or after docetaxel chemotherapy.
4. To be prescribed in combination with prednisone or prednisolone.
5. Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group (ECOG) performance status of 0 or 1.
6. Patient has been informed that treatment with cabazitaxel will be stopped if the disease progresses or after a maximum of 10 cycles (whichever happens first).
7. The licensed dose and frequency of cabazitaxel will be used.

REGIMEN

Day 1 Premedication 30 minutes prior to infusion:

Dexamethasone	8mg IV bolus
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Chlorphenamine	10mg IV bolus
CABAZITAXEL	25mg/m ² in 250ml sodium chloride 0.9% infusion over 60 minutes
Prednisolone	10mg orally daily

CYCLE FREQUENCY AND NUMBER OF CYCLES

Every 21 days for maximum 10 cycles

ANTI-EMETICS

Low risk day 1

CONCURRENT MEDICATION REQUIRED

Cabazitaxel	Ensure premedication given before Cabazitaxel. Prednisolone 10mg orally daily continuously during treatment.
GCSF	Give from day 3 for 5 days

EXTRAVASATION AND TYPE OF LINE / FILTERS

Cabazitaxel – irritant

Use 0.2-0.22micron in-line filter. PVC-free infusion set.
Peripheral or central Line

INVESTIGATIONS

Blood results required before SACT administration
FBC, U&E and LFTs day 1 each cycle
Neutrophils x 10⁹/L ≥1.0 give
Platelets x 10⁹/L ≥100 give
PSA every cycle
Baseline weight and every cycle

MAIN TOXICITIES AND ADVERSE REACTIONS

Cabazitaxel	Hypersensitivity reactions Peripheral neuropathy
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INTERACTIONS WHICH MAY REQUIRE DOSE MODIFICATIONS

(not exhaustive list check SPC/BNF/Stockleys)

Cabazitaxel	Strong inducers or strong inhibitors of CYP3A should be avoided, if inhibitors cannot be avoided consider cabazitaxel dose reduction.
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DOSE MODIFICATIONS

Haematological

Prolonged grade ≥ 3 neutropenia (longer than 1 week) despite appropriate treatment including GCSF	Delay treatment until neutrophil count is $>1.5 \times 10^9/L$, then reduce cabazitaxel dose from $25\text{mg}/\text{m}^2$ to $20\text{mg}/\text{m}^2$
Febrile neutropenia or neutropenic infection	Delay treatment until improvement or resolution, and until neutrophil count is $>1.5 \times 10^9/L$, then reduce cabazitaxel dose from $25\text{mg}/\text{m}^2$ to $20\text{mg}/\text{m}^2$
Patient continues to experience any of these reactions at $20\text{mg}/\text{m}^2$.	Discontinue

Non-haematological

Prolonged grade ≥ 3 diarrhoea or persisting diarrhea. Despite appropriate treatment, including fluid and electrolytes replacement	Delay treatment until improvement or resolution, then reduce cabazitaxel dose from $25\text{mg}/\text{m}^2$ to $20\text{mg}/\text{m}^2$.
Grade ≥ 2 peripheral neuropathy	Delay treatment until improvement then reduce cabazitaxel dose from $25\text{mg}/\text{m}^2$ to $20\text{mg}/\text{m}^2$.
Patient continues to experience any of these reactions at $20\text{mg}/\text{m}^2$.	Discontinue

Hepatic impairment

Cabazitaxel

Bilirubin >1 to $\leq 1.5 \times \text{ULN}$ or AST $>1.5 \times \text{ULN}$	give $20\text{mg}/\text{m}^2$
Bilirubin >1.5 to $\leq 3.0 \times \text{ULN}$	give $15\text{mg}/\text{m}^2$
Bilirubin $>3 \times \text{ULN}$	do not give

Renal impairment

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CrCl $<15\text{mL}/\text{min}/1.73\text{m}^2$ should be treated with caution and monitored carefully during treatment

REFERENCES