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CARBOplatin Injection

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Carboplatin injection should be administered under the supervision of a qualified physician experienced in the use of cancer chemotherapeutic agents. Appropriate management of therapy and complications is possible only when adequate treatment facilities are readily available Bone marrow suppression is dose related and may be severe, resulting in infection and/or bleeding. Anemia may be cumulative and may require transfusion support. Vomiting is another frequent drug related side effect. Anaphylactic-like reactions to carboplatin have been reported and may occur within minutes of carboplatin injection administration. Epinephrine,

corticosteroids, and antihistamines have been employed to alleviate symptoms. Carboplatin injection is supplied as a sterile, pyrogen-free, 10 mg/mL aqueous solution of carboplatin, USP. Carboplatin, USP is a platinum

carboplatin. USP has the following structural formula:

coordination compound. The chemical name for carboplatin, USP is platinum, diammine [1,1-cyclobutanedicarboxylato(2-)-0,0']-,(SP-4-2), and

Carboplatin, USP is a crystalline powder. It is soluble in water at a rate of approximately 14 mg/mL, and the pH of a 1% solution is 5 to 7. It is virtually insoluble in ethanol, acetone, and dimethylacetamide.

CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY Carboplatin, like cisplatin, produces predominantly interstrand DNA cross-links rather than DNA-protein cross-links. This effect is apparently cell-cycle nonspecific. The aquation of carboplatin, which is thought to produce the active species, occurs at a slower rate than in the case of cisplatin. Despite this difference, it appears that both carboplatin and cisplatin induce equal numbers of drug-DNA crossins, causing equivalent lesions and biological effects. The differences in potencies for carboplatin and cisplatin appear to be directly related to the difference in aquation rates.

In patients with creatinine clearances of about 60 mL/min or greater, plasma levels of intact carboplatin decay in a biphasic manner after a 30-minute intravenous infusion of 300 mg/m 2 to 500 mg/m 2 of carboplatin. The initial plasma half-life (alpha) was found to be 1.1 to 2 hours (n = 6), and the postdistribution plasma half-life (beta) was found to be 2.6 to 5.9 hours (n = 6). The total body clearance, apparent volume of distribution and mean

residence time for carboplatin are 4.4 Uhour, 16 L and 3.5 hours, respectively. The C_{max} values and areas under the plasma concentration versus time curves from 0 to infinity (AUC inf) increase linearly with dose, although the increase was slightly more than dose proportional. Carboplatin, therefore, exhibits linear pharmacokinetics over the dosing range studied (300 mg/m² to 500 mg/m²). Carboplatin is not bound to plasma proteins. No significant quantities of protein-free, ultrafilterable platinum-containing species other than carboplatin are present in plasma. However, platinum from carboplatin becomes irreversibly bound to plasma proteins and is slowly eliminated with a minimum half-life of 5 days.

The major route of elimination of carboplatin is renal excretion. Patients with creatinine clearances of approximately 60 mL/min or greater excrete 65% of the dose in the urine within 12 hours and 71% of the dose within 24 hours. All of the platinum in the 24-hour urine is present as carboplatin. Only 3% to 5% of the administered platinum is excreted in the urine between 24 and 96 hours. There are insufficient data to determine whether

biliary excretion occurs. In patients with creatinine clearances below 60 mL/min, the total body and renal clearances of carboplatin decrease as the creatinine clearance decreases. Carboplatin dosages should therefore be reduced in these patients (see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION).

The primary determinant of carboplatin injection clearance is glomerular filtration rate (GFR) and this parameter of renal function is often decreased in elderly patients. Dosing formulas incorporating estimates of GFR (see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION) to provide predictable carboplatin injection plasma AUCs should be used in elderly patients to minimize the risk of toxicity.

CLINICAL STUDIES Use with Cyclophosphamide for Initial Treatment of Ovarian Cancer In two prospectively randomized, controlled studies conducted by the National Cancer Institute of Canada, Clinical Trials Group (NCIC) and the

Southwest Oncology Group (SWOG), 789 chemotherapy naive patients with advanced ovarian cancer were treated with carbopiatin or cisplatin, both in combination with cyclophosphamide every 28 days for 6 courses before surgical reevaluation. The following results were obtained from both studies: Comparative Efficacy Overview of Pivotal Trials

NCIC SWOG Number of patients randomized 447 342

 100 mg/m^2

49 weeks

Median age (years) Dose of cisplatin

Dose of carboplatin	300 mg/m ²	300 mg/m ²	
Dose of cyclophosphamide	600 mg/m ²	600 mg/m ²	
Residual tumor < 2 cm (number of patients	39% (174/447)	14% (49/342)	
Clinical Response in Measurable Disease	Patients		
	NCIC	SWOG	
Carboplatin (number of patients)	60% (48/80)	58% (48/83)	
Cisplatin (number of patients)	58% (49/85)	43% (33/76)	
95% CI of difference	(-13.9%, 18.6%)	(-2.3%, 31.1%)	
(Carboplatin-Cisplatin)			
Pathologic Complete Response*			
	NCIC	SWOG	
Carboplatin (number of patients)	11% (24/224)	10% (17/171)	
Cisplatin (number of patients)	15% (33/223)	10% (17/171)	
95% CI of difference	(-10.7%, 2.5%)	(-6.9%, 6.9%)	
(Carboplatin-Cisplatin)			
* 114 Carboplatin and 109 Cisplatin patie	nts did not undergo second look surger	y in NCIC study.	
90 Carboplatin and 106 Cisplatin patien	ts did not undergo second look surgery	in SWOG study.	
Progression-Free Survival (PFS)			

75 mg/m²

Median Carboplatin 59 weeks

Cisplatin 61 weeks 47 weeks 2-year PFS* 31% 21% Carboplatin Cisplatin 31% 21% 95% CI of difference (-9.3, 8.7)(-9, 9.4)(Carboplatin-Cisplatin) 3-year PFS* Carbonlatin 19% 8% Cisplatin 23% 14% 95% Cl of difference (-11.5, 4.5)(-14.1, 0.3) (Carboplatin-Cisplatin) Hazard Patio** 1.10 1.02 (0.89, 1.35)(0.81, 1.29)95% CI (Carboplatin-Cisplatin) * Kaplan-Meier Estimates Unrelated deaths occurring in the absence of progression were counted as events (progression) in this analysis. ** Analysis adjusted for factors found to be of prognostic significance were consistent with unadjusted analysis. Survival

Median Carboplatin 110 weeks 86 weeks

Cisplatin	99 weeks	79 weeks			
2-year Survival*					
Carboplatin	51.9%	40.2%			
Cisplatin	48.4%	39%			
95% Cl of difference	(-6.2, 13.2)	(-9.8, 12.2)			
(Carboplatin-Cisplatin)					
3-year Survival*					
Carboplatin	34.6%	18.3%			
Cisplatin	33.1%	24.9%			
95% CI of difference	(-7.7, 10.7)	(-15.9, 2.7)			
(Carboplatin-Cisplatin)					
Hazard Ratio**					
95% CI	0.98	1.01			
(Carboplatin-Cisplatin)	(0.78, 1.23)	(0.78, 1.30)			
* Kaplan-Meier Estimates					
** Analysis adjusted for factors foun	d to be of prognostic significance were con:	istent with unadjusted analysis.			
	nrboplatin-containing regimen was significa ay be explained by different cisplatin dosag	ntly different from that of the cisplatin-containing co es and by different supportive care.	mbinations.		
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The carboplatin-containing regimen induced significantly more thrombocytopenia and, in one study, significantly more leukopenia and more need for transfusional support. The cisplatin-containing regimen produced significantly more anemia in one study. However, no significant differences occurred in incidences of infections and hemorrhagic episodes. Non-hematologic toxicities (emesis, neurotoxicity, ototoxicity, renal toxicity, hypomagnesemia, and alopecia) were significantly more frequent in the cisplatin-containing arms.

< 100.000/mm3

ADVERSE EXPERIENCES IN PATIENTS WITH OVARIAN CANCER NCIC STUDY P-Values**

70

29

< 0.001

Arm Percent* Arm Percent* Bone Marrow

Tin oni booy toponia		,,,	2.5	- 0.001	Neurologic Toxicity
	< 50,000/mm ³	41	6	< 0.001	Peripheral neuropathies have been observed in 4% of the patients receiving carboplatin (6% of pretreated ovarian cancer patients) with mild
Neutropenia	< 2,000 cells/mm ³	97	96	ns	paresthesias occurring most frequently. Carboplatin therapy produces significantly fewer and less severe neurologic side effects than does therapy
	< 1,000 cells/mm ³	81	79	ns	with cisplatin. However, patients older than 65 years and/or previously treated with cisplatin appear to have an increased risk (10%) for peripheral
Leukopenia	< 4,000 cells/mm ³	98	97	ns	neuropathies. In 70% of the patients with pre-existing cisplatin-induced peripheral neurotoxicity, there was no worsening of symptoms during therapy with carboplatin. Clinical ototoxicity and other sensory abnormalities such as visual disturbances and change in taste have been reported in only 1% of
	< 2,000 cells/mm ³	68	52	0.001	with catolypath. John and occasion of the catolypath and the section and the patients and appear to be most often related to the use of antiemetics.
Anemia	< 11 g/dL	91	91	ns	Although the overall incidence of peripheral neurologic side effects induced by carboplatin is low, prolonged treatment, particularly in cisplatin
	< 8 g/dL	18	12	ns	pretreated patients, may result in cumulative neurotoxicity.
Infections	-	14	12	ns	Nephrotoxicity
Bleeding		10	4	ns	Development of abnormal renal function test results is uncommon, despite the fact that carboplatin, unlike cisplatin, has usually been administered
Transfusions		42	31	0.018	without high-volume fluid hydration and/or forced diuresis. The incidences of abnormal renal function tests reported are 6% for serum creatinine and
Gastrointestinal			•	0.010	14% for blood urea nitrogen (10% and 22%, respectively, in pretreated ovarian cancer patients). Most of these reported abnormalities have been
Nausea and vomiting		93	98	0.010	mild and about one-half of them were reversible.
Vomiting		84	97	< 0.001	Creatinine clearance has proven to be the most sensitive measure of kidney function in patients receiving carboplatin, and it appears to be the most useful test for correlating drug clearance and bone marrow suppression. Twenty-seven percent of the patients who had a baseline value of 60 mL/min
Other GI side effects		50	62	0.013	userul test to contenting ung creataine and other informs appression, wenty-severi percent of the patients who had a baseline value of our minimor or more demonstrated a reduction below this value during carboniatin therapy.
		30	02	0.013	Hepatic Toxicity
Neurologic		10	40	- 0.001	The incidences of abnormal liver function tests in patients with normal baseline values were reported as follows: total bilirubin, 5%; SGOT, 15%; and
Peripheral neuropathies		16	42	< 0.001	alkaline phosphatase, 24%; (5%, 19%, and 37%, respectively, in pretreated ovarian cancer patients). These abnormalities have generally been mild
Ototoxicity		13	33	< 0.001	and reversible in about one-half of the cases, although the role of metastatic tumor in the liver may complicate the assessment in many patients.
Other sensory side effects		6	10	ns	In a limited series of patients receiving very high dosages of carboplatin and autologous bone marrow transplantation, severe abnormalities of liver
Central neurotoxicity		28	40	0.009	function tests were reported.
Renal					Electrolyte Changes The incidences of abnormally decreased serum electrolyte values reported were as follows: sodium, 29%; potassium, 20%; calcium, 22%; and
Serum creatinine elevations		5	13	0.006	magnesium, 29%; (47%, 28%, 31% and 43%, respectively, in pretreated ovarian cancer patients). Electrolyte supplementation was not routinely
Blood urea elevations		17	31	< 0.001	administered concomitantly with carboplatin, and these electrolyte abnormalities were rarely associated with symptoms.
Hepatic					Allergic Reactions
Bilirubin elevations		5	3	ns	Hypersensitivity to carboplatin has been reported in 2% of the patients. These allergic reactions have been similar in nature and severity to those
SGOT elevations		17	13	ns	reported with other platinum-containing compounds, i.e., rash, urticaria, erythema, pruritus, and rarely bronchospasm and hypotension. Anaphylactic
Alkaline phosphatase elevation	ons	-	-	-	reactions have been reported as part of postmarketing surveillance (see WARNINGS). These reactions have been successfully managed with standard epinephrine, corticosteroid, and antihistamine therapy.
Electrolytes loss					
Sodium		10	20	0.005	Injection Site Reactions Injection site reactions, including redness, swelling, and pain, have been reported during postmarketing surveillance. Necrosis associated with
Potassium		16	22	ns	extravasation has also been reported.
Calcium		16	19	ns	Other Events
Magnesium		63	88	< 0.001	Pain and asthenia were the most frequently reported miscellaneous adverse effects; their relationship to the tumor and to anemia was likely. Alopecia was
Other side effects		05	00	~ 0.001	reported (3%). Cardiovascular, respiratory, genitourinary, and mucosal side effects have occurred in 6% or less of the patients. Cardiovascular events
Pain		36	37	ns	(cardiac failure, embolism, cerebrovascular accidents) were fatal in less than 1% of the patients and did not appear to be related to chemotherapy.
Asthenia		40	33		Cancer-associated hemolytic uremic syndrome has been reported rarely.
Cardiovascular		40 15	19	ns ns	Malaise, anorexia, hypertension, dehydration, and stomatitis have been reported as part of postmarketing surveillance.
			9		OVERDOSAGE
Respiratory		8	9	ns	There is no known antidote for carboplatin injection overdosage. The anticipated complications of overdosage would be secondary to bone marrow suppression and/or hepatic toxicity.
Allergic		12	•	ns	DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION
Genitourinary		10	10	ns	NOTE: Aluminum reacts with carboplatin causing precipitate formation and loss of potency, therefore, needles or intravenous sets containing
Alopecia+		50	62	0.017	aluminum parts that may come in contact with the drug must not be used for the preparation or administration of carboplatin injection.
Mucositis		10	9	ns	— Single Agent Therapy
* Values are in percent of					Carboplatin injection, as a single agent, has been shown to be effective in patients with recurrent ovarian carcinoma at a dosage of 360 mg/m² IV on
** ns = not significant, p >					day 1 every 4 weeks (alternatively see Formula Dosing). In general, however, single intermittent courses of carboplatin should not be repeated until
+ May have been affected	by cyclophosphamide dosage de	elivered			the neutrophil count is at least 2,000 and the platelet count is at least 100,000.
Combination Therapy with Cyclophospham					
ADVERSE EXPERIENCES IN PALIENTS WITH OVARIAN CANCER SWOG STODT				In the chemotherapy of advanced ovarian cancer, an effective combination for previously untreated patients consists of:	
		Carboplatin	Cisplatin		Carboplatin - 300 mg/m² IV on day 1 every 4 weeks for 6 cycles (alternatively see Formula Dosing).
		Arm	Arm	D Values##	Cyclophosphamide - 600 mg/m² IV on day 1 every 4 weeks for 6 cycles. For directions regarding the use and administration of cyclophosphamide
D W		Percent*	Percent*	P-Values**	please refer to its package insert (see CLINICAL STUDIES).
Bone Marrow					Intermittent courses of carboplatin in combination with cyclophosphamide should not be repeated until the neutrophil count is at least 2,000 and the platelet count is at least 100,000.
Thrombocytopenia	< 100,000/mm ³	59	35	< 0.001	practice vount is at reast 100,000.

Thrombocytopenia

Bone Marrow				
Thrombocytopenia	< 100,000/mm ³	59	35	< 0.001
	< 50,000/mm ³	22	11	0.006
Neutropenia	< 2,000 cells/mm ³	95	97	ns
	< 1,000 cells/mm ³	84	78	ns
Leukopenia	< 4,000 cells/mm ³	97	97	ns
	< 2,000 cells/mm ³	76	67	ns
Anemia	< 11 g/dL	88	87	ns
	< 8 g/dL	8	24	< 0.001
Infections	•	18	21	ns
Bleeding		6	4	ns
Transfusions		25	33	ns
Gastrointestinal				
Nausea and vomiting		94	96	ns
Vomiting		82	91	0.007
Other GI side effects		40	48	ns
Neurologic				
Peripheral neuropathies		13	28	0.001
Ototoxicity		12	30	< 0.001
Other sensory side effects		4	6	ns
Central neurotoxicity		23	29	ns
Renal		23	23	113
Serum creatinine elevations		7	38	< 0.001
Blood urea elevations		-	-	- 0.001
Hepatic				
Bilirubin elevations		5	3	ns
SGOT elevations		23	16	ns
Alkaline phosphatase elevations		29	20	ns
Electrolytes loss		29	20	113
Sodium				
Soululli Potassium		-	-	-
Calcium		-		-
		58	- 77	< 0.001
Magnesium Other side officers		36	11	< 0.001
Other side effects			F0	
Pain		54	52	ns
Asthenia		43	46	ns
Cardiovascular		23	30	ns
Respiratory		12	11	ns
Allergic		10	11	ns
Genitourinary		11	13	ns
Alopecia+		43	57	0.009
Mucositis * Values are in percent of eva		6	11	ns

+ May have been affected by cyclophosphamide dosage delivered Use as a Single Agent for Secondary Treatment of Advanced Ovarian Cancer
In two prospective, randomized controlled studies in patients with advanced ovarian cancer previously treated with chemotherapy, carboplatin
achieved 6 clinical complete responses in 47 patients. The duration of these responses ranged from 45 to 71+ weeks.

** ns = not significant, p > 0.05

chemotherapeutic agents. One established combination regimen consists of carboplatin and cyclophosphamide. Two randomized controlled studies conducted by the NCIC and SWOG with carboplatin versus cisplatin, both in combination with cyclophosphamide, have demonstrated equivalent overall survival between the two groups (see CLINICAL STUDIES). There is limited statistical power to demonstrate equivalence in overall pathologic complete response rates and long-term survival (≥ 3 years) became of the small number of patients with residual tumor < 2 cm after initial surgery also limits the statistical power to demonstrate equivarence in this subgroup.

Initial Treatment of Advanced Ovarian Carcinoma Carboplatin injection is indicated for the initial treatment of advanced ovarian carcinoma in established combination with other approved Within the group of patients previously treated with cisplatin, those who have developed progressive disease while receiving cisplatin therapy may have a decreased response rate.

CONTRAINDICATIONS Carboplatin injection is contraindicated in patients with a history of severe allergic reactions to cisplatin or other platinum-containing compounds.

Secondary Treatment of Advanced Ovarian Carcinoma
Carboplatin injection is indicated for the palliative treatment of patients with ovarian carcinoma recurrent after prior chemotherapy, including

Carboplatin injection should not be employed in patients with severe bone marrow depression or significant bleeding.

Bone marrow suppression (leukopenia, neutropenia, and thrombocytopenia) is dose-dependent and is also the dose-limiting toxicity. Peripheral blood

botic marks supplied as a solid temperature and unable to the solid properties of the solid part of th Since anemia is cumulative, transfusions may be needed during treatment with carboplatin, particularly in patients receiving prolonged therapy

Bone marrow suppression is increased in patients who have received prior therapy, especially regimens including cisplatin. Marrow suppression is also increased in patients with impaired kidney function. Initial carboplatin injection dosages in these patients should be appropriately reduced (see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION) and blood counts should be carefully monitored between courses. The use of carboplatin in combination with other bone marrow suppressing therapies must be carefully managed with respect to dosage and timing in order to minimize additive effects. Carboplatin has limited nephrotoxic potential, but concomitant treatment with aminoglycosides has resulted in increased renal and/or audiologic toxicity, and caution must be exercised when a patient receives both drugs. Clinically significant hearing loss has been reported to occur in pediatric patients when carboplatin was administered at higher than recommended doses in combination with other ototoxic agents.

Carboplatin can induce emesis, which can be more severe in patients previously receiving emetogenic therapy. The incidence and intensity of emesis have been reduced by using premedication with antiemetics. Although no conclusive efficacy data exist with the following schedules of carboplatin, lengthening the duration of single intravenous administration to 24 hours or dividing the total dose over five consecutive daily pulse doses has

Although peripheral neurotoxicity is infrequent, its incidence is increased in patients older than 65 years and in patients previously treated with cisplatin. Pre-existing cisplatin-induced neurotoxicity does not worsen in about 70% of the patients receiving carboplatin as secondary treatment Loss of vision, which can be complete for light and colors, has been reported after the use of carboplatin with doses higher than those recommended in the package insert. Vision appears to recover totally or to a significant extent within weeks of stopping these high doses

As in the case of other platinum-coordination compounds, allergic reactions to carboplatin have been reported. These may occur within minutes of administration and should be managed with appropriate supportive therapy. There is increased risk of allergic reactions including anaphylaxis in patients previously exposed to platinum therapy (see CONTRAINDICATIONS and ADVERSE REACTIONS, Allergic Reactions). High dosages of carboplatin (more than 4 times the recommended dose) have resulted in severe abnormalities of liver function tests

Carboplatin injection may cause fetal harm when administered to a pregnant woman. Carboplatin has been shown to be embryotoxic and teratogenic in rats. There are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. If this drug is used during pregnancy, or if the patient becomes pregnant while receiving this drug, the patient should be apprised of the potential hazard to the fetus. Women of childbearing potential should be

advised to avoid becoming pregnant. PRECAUTIONS General

weedles or intravenous administration sets containing aluminum parts that may come in contact with carboplatin injection should not be used for the preparation or administration of the drug. Aluminum can react with carboplatin causing precipitate formation and loss of Drug Interactions The renal effects of nephrotoxic compounds may be potentiated by carboplatin

teratogenic in rats receiving the drug during organogenesis. Secondary malignancies have been reported in association with multi-drug therapy.

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Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility
The carcinogenic potential of carboplatin has not been studied, but compounds with similar mechanisms of action and mutagenicity profiles have been reported to be carcinogenic. Carboplatin has been shown to be mutagenic both in vitro and in vivo. It has also been shown to be embryotoxic and

patients who have been previously treated with cisplatin.

Pregnancy Pregnancy Category D See WARNINGS. **Nursing Mothers** It is not known whether carboplatin is excreted in human milk. Because there is a possibility of toxicity in nursing infants secondary to carboplatin

ended that breastfeeding be discontinued if the mother is treated with carb

Safety and effectiveness in pediatric patients have not been established (see WARNINGS, "audiologic toxicity"). Geriatric Use

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off the 789 patients in initial treatment combination therapy studies (NCIC and SWOG), 395 patients were treated with carboplatin in combination with cyclophosphamide. Of these, 141 were over 65 years of age and 22 were 75 years or older. In these trials, age was not a prognostic factor for survival. In terms of safety, elderly patients treated with carboplatin were more likely to develop severe thrombocytopenia than younger patients. In a combined database of 1,942 patients (414 were ≥ 65 years of age) that received single agent carboplatin for different tumor types, a similar incidence of adverse events was seen in patients 65 years and older and in patients less than 65. Other reported clinical experience has not identified differences in responses between elderly and younger patients, but greater sensitivity of some older individuals cannot be ruled out. Because renal function is often decreased in the elderly, renal function should be considered in the selection of carboplatin injection dosage (see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION). ADVERSE REACTIONS For a comparison of toxicities when carboplatin or cisplatin was given in combination with cyclophosphamide, see CLINICAL STUDIES, Use with

	ADVERSE EXPERIENCES IN	PATIENTS WITH OVARIAN CANCER	
		First Line Combination Therapy* Percent	Second Line Single Agent Therapy** Percent
Bone Marrow			
Thrombocytopenia	< 100,000/mm ³	66	62
	< 50,000/mm ³	33	35
Neutropenia	< 2,000 cells/mm ³	96	67
	< 1,000 cells/mm ³	82	21
Leukopenia	< 4,000 cells/mm ³	97	85
	< 2,000 cells/mm ³	71	26
Anemia	< 11 g/dL	90	90
	< 8g/dL	14	21
Infections		16	5
Bleeding		8	5
Transfusions		35	44
Gastrointestinal			
Nausea and vomiting		93	92
Vomiting		83	81
Other GI side effects		46	21
Neurologic			
Peripheral neuropathies		15	6
Ototoxicity		12	1
Other sensory side effects		5	1
Central neurotoxicity		26	5
Renal			
Serum creatinine elevations		6	10
Blood urea elevations		17	22
Hepatic			
Bilirubin elevations		5	5
SGOT elevations		20	19
Alkaline phosphatase elevations		29	37
Electrolytes loss			
Sodium		10	47
Potassium		16	28
Calcium		16	31
Magnesium		61	43
Other side effects			
Pain		44	23
Asthenia .		41	11
Cardiovascular		19	6
Respiratory		10	6
Allergic		11	2
Genitourinary		10	2
Alopecia		49	2
Mucositis		8	1

(regardless of baseline status) who received initial combination therapy with carboplatin and cyclophosphamide in two randomized controller studies conducted by SWOG and NCIC (see CLINICAL STUDIES). Combination with cyclophosphamide as well as duration of treatment may be responsible for the differences that can be noted in the adverse * Single Agent Use for the Secondary Treatment of Ovarian Cancer: Data are based on the experience of 553 patients with previously

treated ovarian carcinoma (regardless of baseline status) who received single agent carboplat In the narrative section that follows, the incidences of adverse events are based on data from 1,893 patients with various types of tumors who received carboplatin as single agent therapy.

Hematologic Toxicity Bone marrow suppression is the dose-limiting toxicity of carboplatin. Thrombocytopenia with platelet counts below 50,000/mm³ occurs in 25% of the patients (35% of pretreated ovarian cancer patients); neutropenia with granulocyte counts below 1,000/mm³ occurs in 16% of the patients (21% of pretreated ovarian cancer patients); leukopenia with WBC counts below 2,000/mm³ occurs in 15% of the patients (26% of pretreated ovarian cancer patients); leukopenia with WBC counts below 2,000/mm³ occurs in 15% of the patients (26% of pretreated ovarian cancer patients). The nadir usually occurs about day 21 in patients receiving single agent therapy. By day 28, 90% of patients have platelet counts above 100,000/mm³; 74% have neutrophil counts above 2,000/mm³; 67% have leukocyte counts above 4,000/mm³.

Marrow suppression is usually more severe in patients with impaired kidney function. Patients with poor performance status have also experienced a higher incidence of severe leukopenia and thrombocytopenia. The hematologic effects, although usually reversible, have resulted in infectious or hemorrhagic complications in 5% of the patients treated with carboplatin, with drug related death occurring in less than 1% of the patients. Fever has also been reported in patients with neutropenia.

Anemia with hemoglobin less than 11 g/dL has been observed in 71% of the patients who started therapy with a baseline above that value. The

incidence of anemia increases with increasing exposure to carboplatin. Transfusions have been administered to 26% of the patients treated with

carboplatin (44% of previously treated ovarian cancer patients). Bone marrow depression may be more severe when carboplatin is combined with other bone marrow suppressing drugs or with radiotherapy **Gastrointestinal Toxicity** Vomiting occurs in 65% of the patients (81% of previously treated ovarian cancer patients) and in about one-third of these patients it is severe. Carboplatin,

voluting occurs in 65% to the patients (61% of previously related overlard care) patients, and in about one-turn of these patients (61% of previously related with emetagenic agents, especially cisplatin, appear to be more prone to vomiting. Nausea alone occurs in an additional 10% to 15% of patients. Both nausea and vomiting usually cease within 24 hours of treatment and are often responsive to antiemetic measures. Although no conclusive efficacy data exist with the following schedules, prolonged administration of carboplatin, either by continuous 24-hours infusion or 0 y daily pulse doses given for 5 consecutive days, was associated with less severe womiting than the single-dose intermittent schedule. Emesis was increased when carboplatin was used in combination with other emetagenic compounds. Other gastrointestinal effects observed frequently were pain, in 17% of the patients; diarrhea, in 6%; and constipation, also in 6% Neurologic Toxicity eripheral neuropathies have been observed in 4% of the patients receiving carboplatin (6% of pretreated ovarian cancer patients) with mild reinpile an incurpositive lave been used with 4% of the patients receiving campitatin (5% of pretreated ovariant cancer patients) with information produces significantly fewer and less severe neurologic side effects than does therapy with cisplatin. However, patients older than 65 years and/or previously treated with cisplatin appear to have an increased risk (10%) for peripheral neurotoxibities. In 70% of the patients with pre-existing cisplatin-induced peripheral neurotoxicity, there was no worsening of symptoms during therapy with carboplatin. Clinical otoxicity and other sensory abnormalities such as visual disturbances and change in taste have been reported in only 1% of he patients. Central nervous system symptoms have been reported in 5% of the patients and appear to be most often related to the use of antiemetics.

Dose Adjustment Recommendations Pretreatment platelet count and performance status are important prognostic factors for severity of myelosuppression in previously treated patients. The suggested dose adjustments for single agent or combination therapy shown in the table below are modified from controlled trials in previously

> 100.000

50 to 100,000

< 50,000

treated and untreated patients with ovarian carcinoma. Blood counts were done weekly, and the recommendations are based on the lowest post-treatment platelet or neutrophil value. Platelets Neutrophils Adjusted Dose

studies, dosages were also adjusted at a lower level (50% to 60%) for severe myelosuppression. Escalations above 125% were not recommended for these studies.
Carboplatin injection is usually administered by an infusion lasting 15 minutes or longer. No pre- or post-treatment hydration or forced diuresis is required.
Patients with Impaired Kidney Function
Patients with creatinine clearance values below 60 mL/min are at increased risk of severe bone marrow suppression. In renally-impaired patient
who received single agent carboplatin therapy, the incidence of severe leukopenia, neutropenia, or thrombocytopenia has been about 25% when
dosage modifications in the table below have been used.

> 2.000

500 to 2,000

< 500 * Percentages apply to carboplatin injection as a single agent or to both carboplatin and cyclophosphamide in combination. In the controlled

(From Prior Course)

125%

No Adjustment

Baseline Creatinine Clearance ecommended Dose on Day 1 250 mg/m² 41 to 59 mL/min

200 mg/m² 16 to 40 mL/min The data available for patients with severely impaired kidney function (creatinine clearance below 15 mL/min) are too limited to permit a

These dosing recommendations apply to the initial course of treatment. Subsequent dosages should be adjusted according to the patient's tolerance based on the degree of bone marrow suppression Another approach for determining the initial dose of carboplatin injection is the use of mathematical formulae, which are based on a patient's

Pre-existing renal function or renal function and desired platelet nadir. Renal excretion is the major route of elimination for carboplatin (see CLINICAL PHARMACQUORY). The use of dosing formulae, as compared to empirical dose calculation based on body surface area, allows compensation for patient variations in pretreatment renal function that might otherwise result in either underdosing (in patients with above average renal function) or overdosing (in patients with impaired renal function).

A simple formula for calculating dosage, based upon a patient's glomerular filtration rate (GFR in mL/min) and carboplatin injection target area under the concentration versus time curve (AUC in mg/mL•min), has been proposed by Calvert. In these studies, GFR was measured by 51Cr-EDTA clearance. CALVERT FORMULA FOR CARBOPLATIN DOSING Total Dose (mg) = (target AUC) × (GFR + 25)

Note: With the Calvert formula, the total dose of carboplatin is calculated in mg, <u>not</u> mg/m². The target AUC of 4 mg/ml-min to 6 mg/ml-min using single agent carboplatin appears to provide the most appropriate dose range in previously treated patients. This study also showed a trend between the AUC of single agent carboplatin administered to previously treated patients and the likelihood of developing toxicity

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Carboplatin injection is a premixed aqueous solution of 10 mg/mL carboplatin. Carboplatin aqueous solution can be further diluted to concentrations as low as 0.5 mg/mL with 5% Dextrose in Water (D₅W) or 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP.

contained in the formulation, it is recommended that carboplatin aqueous solutions be discarded 8 hours after diluti HOW SUPPLIED Each mL of carboplatin injection contains 10 mg of carboplatin, USP in water for injection and is available as follows

NDC Number Contents Size

When prepared as directed, carboplatin aqueous solutions are stable for 8 hours at room temperature (25°C). Since no antibacterial preservative is

PREPARATION OF INTRAVENOUS SOLUTIONS

0703-3249-11 600 mg 60 mL Multidose Vial

Unopened vials of carboplatin injection are stable to the date indicated on the package when stored at 20° to 25°C (68° to 77°F) [See USP Controlled Room Temperature]

Carboplatin injection multidose vials maintain microbial, chemical, and physical stability for up to 14 days at 25°C following multiple needle entries. Parenteral drug products should be inspected visually for particulate matter and discoloration prior to administration. Solutions for infusion should be discarded 8 hours after preparation.

Caution should be exercised in handling and preparing carboplatin injection. Several guidelines on this subject have been published. 1-4 To minimize the risk of dermal exposure, always wear impervious gloves when handling vials containing carboplatin injection. If carboplatin injection contacts the skin, immediately wash the skin thoroughly with soap and water. If carboplatin injection contacts mucous membranes, the membranes

should be flushed immediately and thoroughly with water. More information is available in the references listed below.

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How is carboplatin used?

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