# BC Cancer Protocol Summary for Treatment of Patients with Soft Tissue Sarcoma Using DOXOrubicin and Dacarbazine

Protocol Code: SAAVADIC

Tumour Group: Sarcoma

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## **ELIGIBILITY/TESTS:**

Patient with advanced incurable soft tissue sarcoma

Path not rhabdomyosarcoma, Ewings sarcoma or peripheral neuroectodermal tumour Normal cardiac and hepatic function

PRE-Rx: CBC, alk phos, ALT, LDH, GGT, bilirubin, weight, ECOG-PS.

#### PREMEDICATIONS:

Antiemetic protocol for higly emetogenic chemotherapy (see protocol SCNAUSEA)

#### TREATMENT:

Drug	Dose	BC Cancer Administration Guideline	
DOXOrubicin	60 mg/m²*	IV push	
dacarbazine	850 mg/m²	IV in 500 to 1000 mL NS over 1 to 2 hours	

<sup>\*</sup> May escalate by 10 mg/m² if treatment day ANC greater than 2500 and no interval complications

### **DOSE MODIFICATIONS:**

1. **Hematologic Toxicity**: Treatment day counts (modify both drugs)

ANC (x10 <sup>9</sup> /L)		Platelets (x10 <sup>9</sup> /L)	Dose (both drugs)
greater than or equal to 1.5	and	greater than or equal to 100	100%
1.0 to less than 1.5	or	70 to less than 100	80%
less than 1.0	or	less than 70	Delay for 1 week

- 2. **Mucositis** Grade 3 or 4 reduce DOXOrubicin by 20%.
- 3. **Neutropenic Fever** with ANC less than 0.5 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L reduce both drugs by 20%. CXR every third treatment. Whole lung tomography before Rx and at completion. Baseline EKG with treatment number 1 or 2.

Call Dr. Christine Simmons or tumour group delegate at (604) 877-6000 or 1-800-663-3333 with any problems or questions regarding this treatment program.

Repeat every three weeks for 6 cycles (MAXIMUM total DOXOrubicin dose of 360 mg/m²)