How to treat RRMM with BCMA-directed BsAb therapies

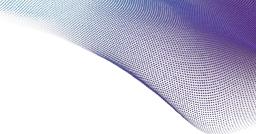
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Patient Case Poll



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70-YEAR-OLD MALE

Past Medical History

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- Chronic renal insufficiency

Diagnosis

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Progression after 3 years on therapy: Biochemical relapse with rapid M spike increase

2L DaraKd Best overall response: VGPR

Pink=refractory

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Progression after 3 years on therapy: Biochemical relapse with rapid M spike increase



Progression after 2 years on therapy: M spike increase and new bone lesions



Progression after 6 months on therapy: New bone lesions, hypercalcemia, 3% circulating plasma cells, EMD involvement and multiple focal lesions on PET-CT

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Patient Case Recap

- ✓ 75-year-old man
- ✓ RRMM with 3 prior LoT
- ✓ Refractory to: PI (carfilzomib), IMiDs (lenalidomide and pomalidomide) and anti-CD38 mAb (daratumumab)
- ✓ Symptomatic and aggressive disease progression (bone lesions, hypercalcemia, and circulating plasma cells)
- ✓ Chronic renal insufficiency (CrCl: 32 mL/min)



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What would be your preferred therapeutic option for 4L treatment in this patient?

- 1) BCMA bispecific antibody (eg, elranatamab, teclistamab)
- 2) BCMA CAR T (eg, ide-cel, cilta-cel)
- 3) Other

4L, fourth line; BCMA, B-cell maturation antigen; CAR T, chimeric antigen receptor T-cell therapy; CD, cluster of differentiation; cilta-cel, ciltacabtagene autoleuce; CrCl, creatinine clearance; ide-cel, idecabtagene vicleucel; IMiD, immunomodulatory drug; LoT, lines of therapy; mAb, monoclonal antibody; PI, proteasome inhibitor; RRMM, relapsed and/or refractory multiple myeloma.



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What would be your preferred therapeutic option for 4L treatment in this patient?

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Patient admitted to the hospital

- ANC: 700/mm³
- Plasma cells: 4%
- Platelets: 75 g/L
- Hemoglobin: 9.2 g/dL
- ALT/AST: within normal limits
- CrCI: 32 mL/min

WEEK 1

COVID-19 test: negative

DAY

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Step-up dose 1 elranatamab 12 mg SC

Patient initiated on elranatamab through the early access program

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Patient presents with:

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DAY

• ICE score: 10/10

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Patient Case Recap

On the day after the administration of the first step-up dose of elranatamab, the patient presented with the following:

✓ Temperature: 39°C

- ✓ SpO₂: 95%
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- ✓ ICE score: 10/10







Based on the patient's presentation, which of the following are correct?

Select all that apply.

- 1) The patient's presentation is consistent with Grade 1 CRS
- 2) The patient's presentation is consistent with Grade 2 CRS
- 3) The patient's presentation is consistent with Grade 2 ICANS
- 4) Sepsis should be considered

CRS, cytokine release syndrome; ICANS, immune effector cell-associated neurotoxicity syndrome; ICE, immune effector cell encephalopathy; SpO2, oxygen saturation.



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ASTCT CRS grading criteria

Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4
Fever ≥38°C*	 Fever ≥38°C* with: Hypotension not requiring vasopressors and/or[†] Hypoxia requiring ≤6 L/min O₂ by NC or blow-by 	 Fever ≥38°C* with: Hypotension requiring one vasopressor with or without vasopressin and/or[†] Hypoxia requiring >6 L/min O₂ by NC, face mask, non-rebreather, or Venturi mask 	 Fever ≥38°C* with: Hypotension requiring >1 vasopressors (excluding vasopressin) and/or[†] Hypoxia requiring O₂ by positive pressure (CPAP, BiPAP, intubation with mechanical ventilation)

Organ toxicities associated with CRS may be graded according to CTCAE V.5.0, but they do not influence CRS grading *Not attributable to any other cause. In patients who have CRS who then undergo antipyretic or anticytokine therapy such as tocilizumab or steroids, fever is no longer required to grade subsequent CRS severity. In this case, CRS grading is driven by hypotension and/or hypoxia. [†]CRS grade is determined by the more severe event: hypotension or hypoxia not attributable to any other cause. For example, a patient with temperature of 39.5° C, hypotension requiring 1 vasopressor, and hypoxia requiring low-flow nasal cannula is classified as grade 3 CRS.

ASTCT, American Society for Transplantation and Cellular Therapy; BiPAP, bilevel positive airway pressure; CPAP, continuous positive airway pressure; CRS, cytokine release syndrome; CTCAE, Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events; NC, nasal cannula; O₂, oxygen. Lee DW et al. *Biol Blood Marrow Transplant.* 2019;25:625–638. Table adapted from Lee DW et al. *Biol Blood Marrow Transplant.* 2019;25:625–638.

IMWG guideline recommendations for the management of CRS

Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4
 Observation Consider early tocilizumab use If persistent Grade 1 (>24–48 hours), early use of tocilizumab is encouraged 	 Tocilizumab 8 mg/kg IV If no improvement, consider adding second line treatment (ie, steroids) Supportive care including oxygen supplementation, fluids, should be implemented 	 Tocilizumab 8 mg/kg IV + dexamethasone 10 mg every 6 hours Transfer the patient to ICU Supportive care as clinically indicated Consider high-dose steroids and salvage CRS treatment (ie, anakinra) 	 Tocilizumab + high-dose steroids Transfer the patient to ICU Supportive care as clinically indicated Consider high-dose steroids and salvage CRS treatment (ie, anakinra)

Elranatamab: CRS timing and severity in MagnetisMM-3

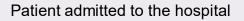
RRMM refractory to ≥1 of each of the following: PI, IMiD, anti-CD38 mAb Patients who received the recommended dosing regimen (N=183)

CRS profile in patients without or with baseline EMD by BICR after CRS profile after treatment with the 12/32 mg step-up priming treatment with the 12/32 mg step-up priming doses of elranatamab doses of elranatamab with or without tocilizumab* treatment Without EMD With EMD No dose **G**0 🗌 G1 **G**2 150 90 G3 No dose No. of patients patients G0 G0+Toci 100 60 🗌 G1 G1+Toci of **G**2 . No G2+Toci G3+Toci 50 30 0 0 2 Dose Dose

*Tocilizumab or toci refers to both tocilizumab or siltuximab.

BICR, blinded independent central review; CRS= CD, cluster of differentiation; CRS, cytokine release syndrome; EMD, extramedullary disease; G, grade; IMiD, immunomodulatory drug; mAb, monoclonal antibody; PI, proteasome inhibitor; RRMM, relapsed and/or refractory multiple myeloma; toci, tocilizumab.

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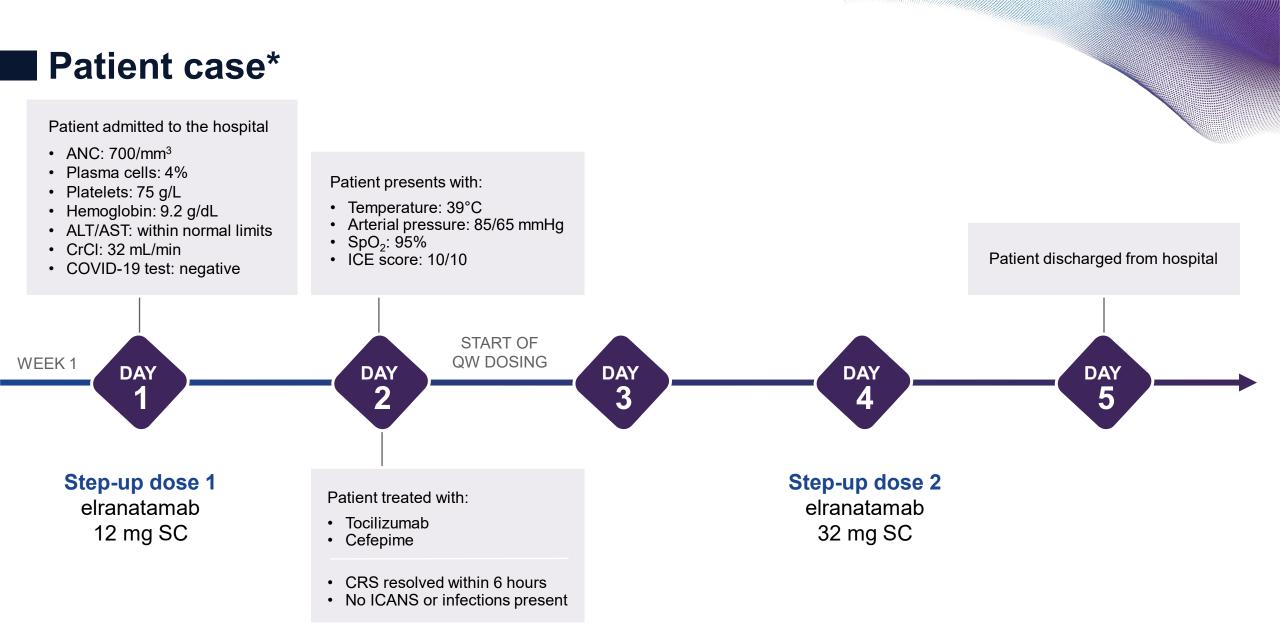
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Patient treated with:

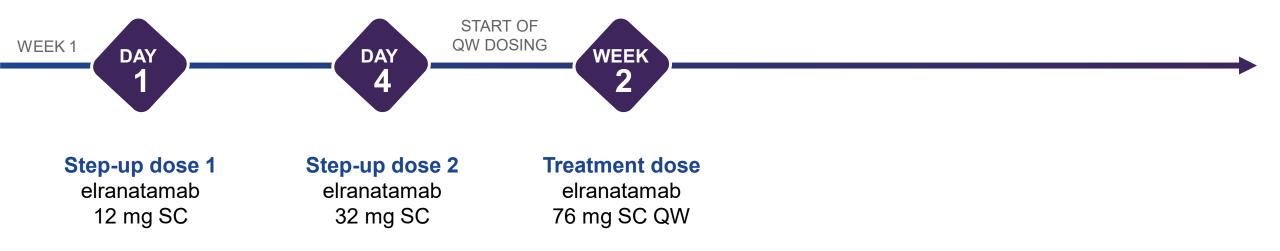
- Tocilizumab
- Cefepime
- CRS resolved within 6 hours
- No ICANS or infections present

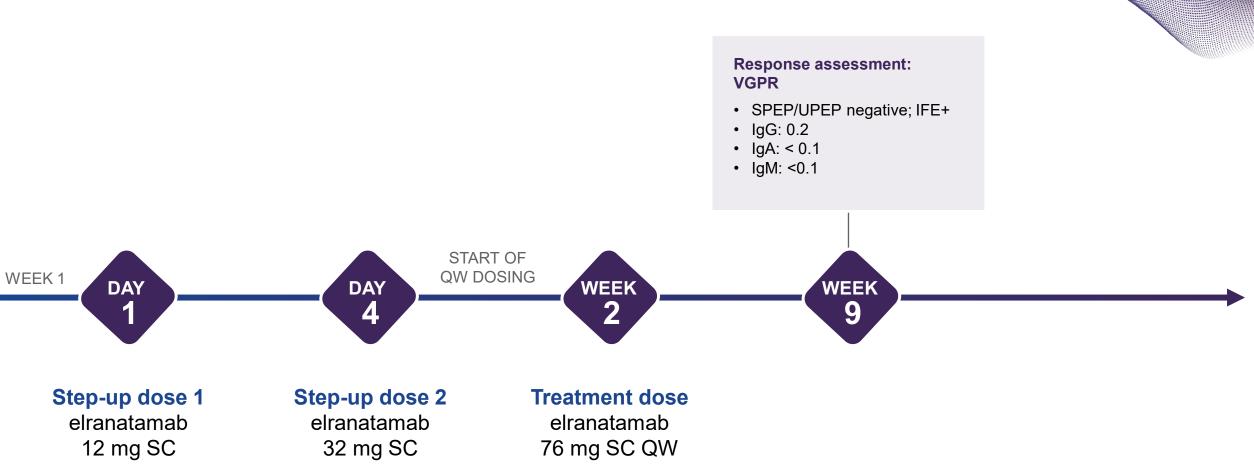
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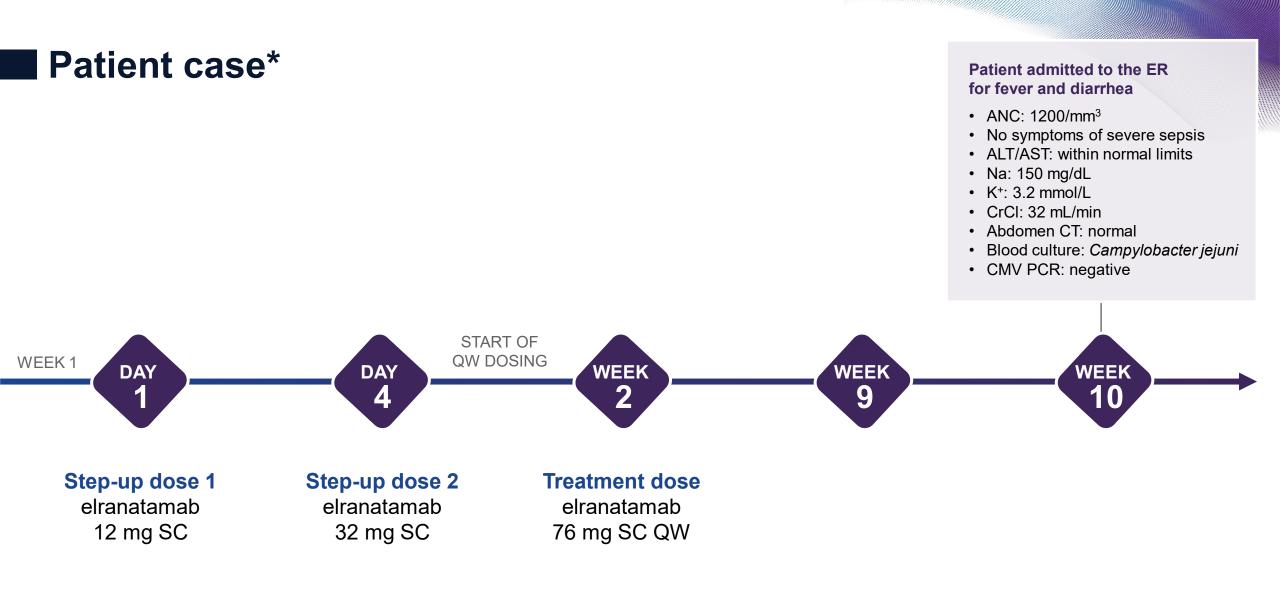
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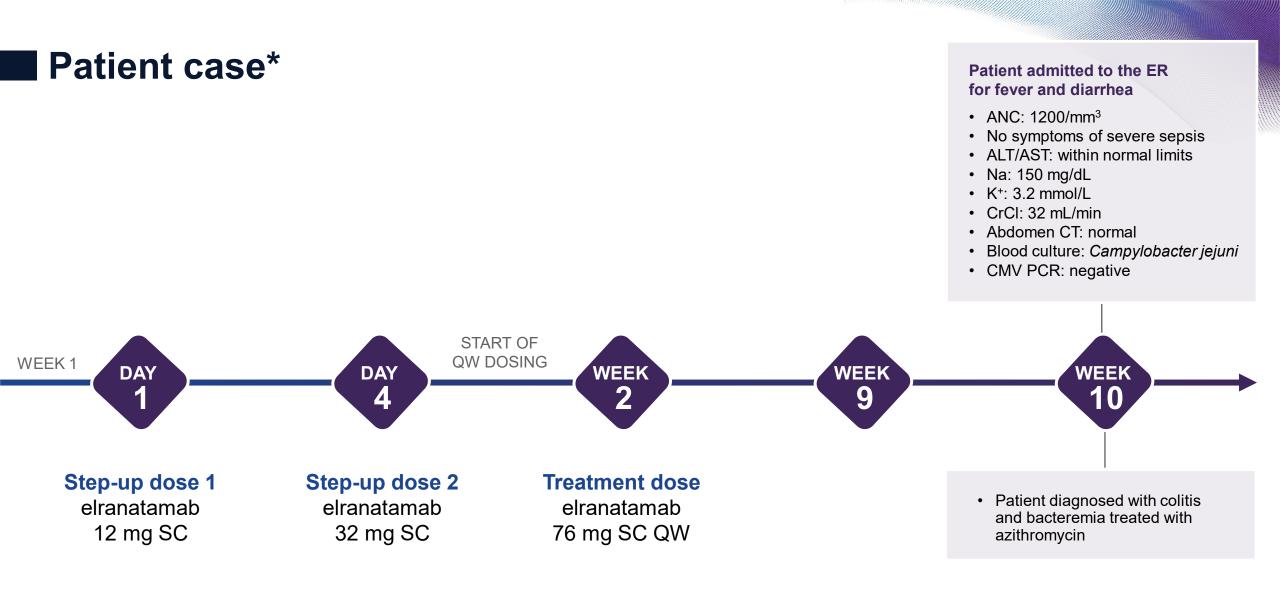




IFE, immunofixation; Ig, immunoglobulin; QW, weekly; SC, subcutaneous; SPEP, serum protein electrophoresis; UPEP, urine protein electrophoresis; VGPR, very good partial response.



ALT, alanine transaminase; ANC, absolute neutrophil count; AST, aspartate aminotransferase; CMV, cytomegalovirus; CrCl, creatinine clearance; CT, computed tomography; ER, emergency room; K, potassium; Na, sodium; PCR, polymerase chain reaction; QW, weekly; SC, subcutaneous.



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Elranatamab: Infection incidence and severity in MagnetisMM-3

RRMM refractory to ≥1 of each of the following: PI, IMiD, anti-CD38 mAb No prior BCMA-directed therapy (n=123)

Detailed infection data were published in the primary MagnetisMM-3 analysis (median follow-up 14.7 months)

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Infections, %	Any grade	Grade 3/4	Grade 5*	Opportunistic infections § in <5% of patients, %	Any grade	Grade 3/4	Grade 5*
Any grade	69.9	39.8	6.5	Pneumocystis jirovecii pneumonia	4.9	4.1	0
Infection TEAEs occurrin	ng in ≥5% of pat	ients		Cytomegalovirus infection	3.3	0	0
COVID-19 related [†]	29.3 [‡]	15.4	1.6	Adenoviral hepatitis	0.8	0	0.8
Pneumonia	16.3	8.1	0	Adenovirus infection	0.8 ^{II}	0	0.8 ^{II}
Upper respiratory tract infection	16.3	0	0	Pneumonia adenoviral	0.8"	0	0.8"
Sinusitis	10.6	1.6	0	Pneumonia cytomegaloviral	0.8	0.8	0
Urinary tract infection	9.8	3.3	0				
Sepsis	6.5	6.5	0				
Bacteremia	5.7	1.6	0				
CMV infection reactivation	5.7	1.6	0				

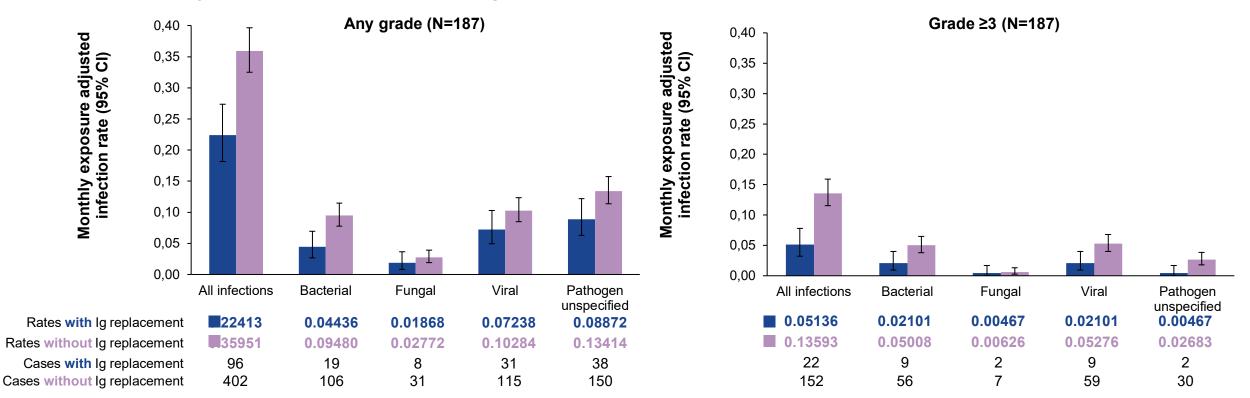
*3 (2.4%) patients had grade 5 septic shock. ¹Includes preferred terms in COVID-19 (narrow) standardized MedDRA queries. ¹25/36 (69.4%) patients developed COVID-19 or COVID-19 or COVID-19 pneumonia and 10/36 (30.6%) only had a positive SARS-CoV-2 test without developing the disease. [§]Opportunistic infection treatment-emergent adverse events includes preferred terms: adenoviral hepatitis, adenovirus infection, cytomegalovirus infection, reactivation, cytomegalovirus viremia, pneumonia adenoviral, pneumonia adenoviral, pneumonia cytomegalovirus, infection, cytomegalovirus infection, cytomegalovirus infection, cytomegalovirus infection, cytomegalovirus infection, cytomegalovirus viremia, pneumonia adenoviral, pneumonia cytomegaloviral, Preterred terms both reported in the same patient. BCMA, B-cell maturation antiger; CD, cluster of differentiation; CMV, cytomegalovirus; covinavirus disease 2019; IMiD, immunomodulatory drug; mAb, monoclonal antibody; MedDRA, Medical Dictionary for Regulatory Activities; PI, proteasome inhibitor; RRMM, relapsed and/or refractory multiple myeloma; SARS-CoV-2, severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event.

Lesokhin AM et al. Nat Med. 2023;29:2259–2267.

Table adapted from Lesokhin AM et al. Nat Med. 2023;29:2259-2267.

MagnetisMM-3: Infections of any grade and Grade ≥3 in patients with or without Ig replacement therapy¹

RRMM refractory to ≥1 of each of the following: PI, IMiD, and anti-CD38 mAb²



• Lower monthly exposure adjusted infection rates were observed in patients with vs without lg replacement (0.22 vs 0.36)

Similar trends were observed across infection types

CD, cluster of differentiation; CI, confidence interval; Ig, immunoglobulin; IMiD, immunomodulatory drug; mAb, monoclonal antibody; PI, proteasome inhibitor.

1. Leleu X et al. IMS 2023. Abstract S194 (poster presentation). 2. Lesokhin A et al. Nat Med. 2023;29:2259–2267.

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Patient Case Recap

- ✓ 75-year-old man with RRMM
- ✓ Currently receiving treatment with elranatamab
- ✓ History of Campylobacter jejuni bacteremia



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What would you recommend to prevent infections in this patient?

Select all that apply.

- 1) Valacyclovir to prevent HSV/VZV
- 2) Valganciclovir to prevent CMV reactivation
- 3) IV or SQ immunoglobulin to prevent bacterial/viral infections
- 4) Cotrimoxazole (or equivalent) to prevent pneumocystis

CMV, cytomegalovirus; HSV, herpes simplex virus; IV, intravenous; RRMM, relapsed and/or refractory multiple myeloma; SQ, subcutaneous; VZV, varicella zoster virus.



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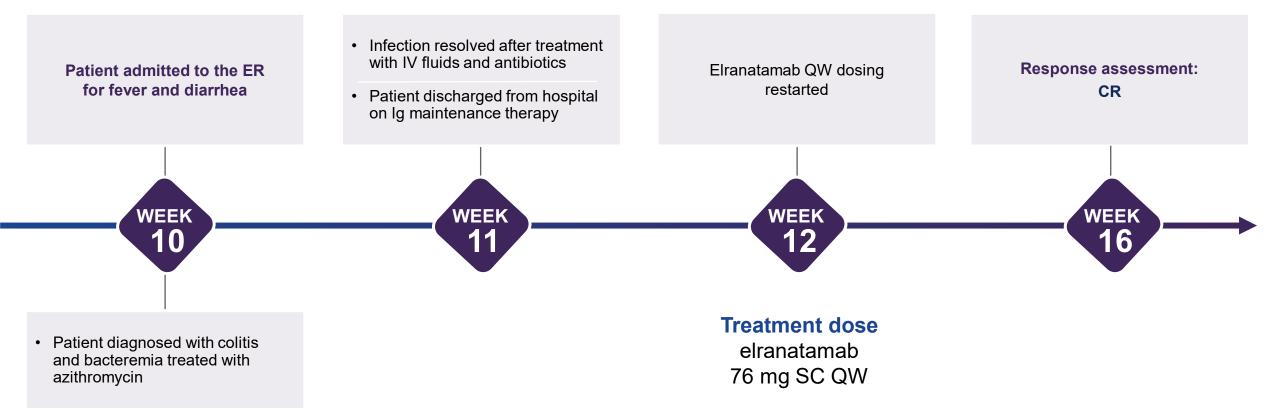
What would you recommend to prevent infections in this patient?

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IMWG guidelines for infection prevention with BsAbs

	Agent or agents	Timing	Additional comments and recommendations
Antiviral: HSV or VZV	Aciclovir or valacyclovir	Throughout treatment	Continue for 3 months off treatment or until CD4 >200/µL
Pneumocystis	Trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole, atovaquone	Throughout treatment	Continue until CD4 cell count >200/µL
Antibacterial	Local guidelines or quinolone	Neutropenia	Bacterial infection highest in first few cycles during neutropenia or if prolonged steroids needed
Antifungal	Local guidelines or azole	Neutropenia	Fungal infection risk low, consider during prolonged neutropenia or steroid use
Other viral; CMV, Hepatitis B virus	Entecavir for those at risk of reactivation	Throughout treatment	Cytomegalovirus PCR at start; if positive consider monitoring; local guidelines for monitoring versus pre-emptive treatment
Polymicrobial	Intravenous immunoglobulin	For IgG concentration <400 mg/dL	Hypogammaglobulinaemia is common throughout treatment; continue even off therapy for IgG concentrations <400 mg/dL

BsAb, bispecific antibody; CD, cluster of differentiation; CMV, cytomegalovirus; HSV, Herpes simplex virus; Ig, immunoglobulin; IMWG, International Myeloma Working Group; PCR, polymerase chain reaction; VZV, varicella zoster virus. Rodriguez-Otero P et al. *Lancet Oncol.* 2024;25:e205–e216. Table reproduced from Rodriguez-Otero P et al. *Lancet Oncol.* 2024;25:e205–e216.



CR, complete response; ER, emergency room; Ig, immunoglobulin; IV, intravenous; QW, weekly; SC, subcutaneous.

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Summary



CRS with elranatamab is primarily low grade and most events occur after the first 3 doses¹



Patients receiving treatment with BsAbs should be monitored for infections²

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Appropriate prophylaxis to help prevent infections, including immunoglobins, should be used in patients receiving BsAbs²

BCMA-directed BsAbs are an appropriate treatment option with a manageable safety profile for patients with TCE/TCRMM^{3,4}

BCMA, B-cell maturation antigen; BsAbs, bispecific antibodies; CRS, cytokine release syndrome; MM, multiple myeloma; TCE, triple-class exposed; TCR, triple-class refractory. 1. Niesvizky R et al. ASH 2023. Abstract 3384 (poster presentation). 2. Rodriguez-Otero P et al. *Lancet Oncol*. 2024;25:e205–e216. 3. Lesokhin A et al. *Nat Med*. 2023;29:2259–2267. 4. Lee H et al. *Blood*. 2024;143:1211–1217.

Discuss the use of BCMA-directed BsAb therapies in clinical practice





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