

Debate issues focus on supportive care







Olanzapine

NK<sub>1</sub>RA base regimen

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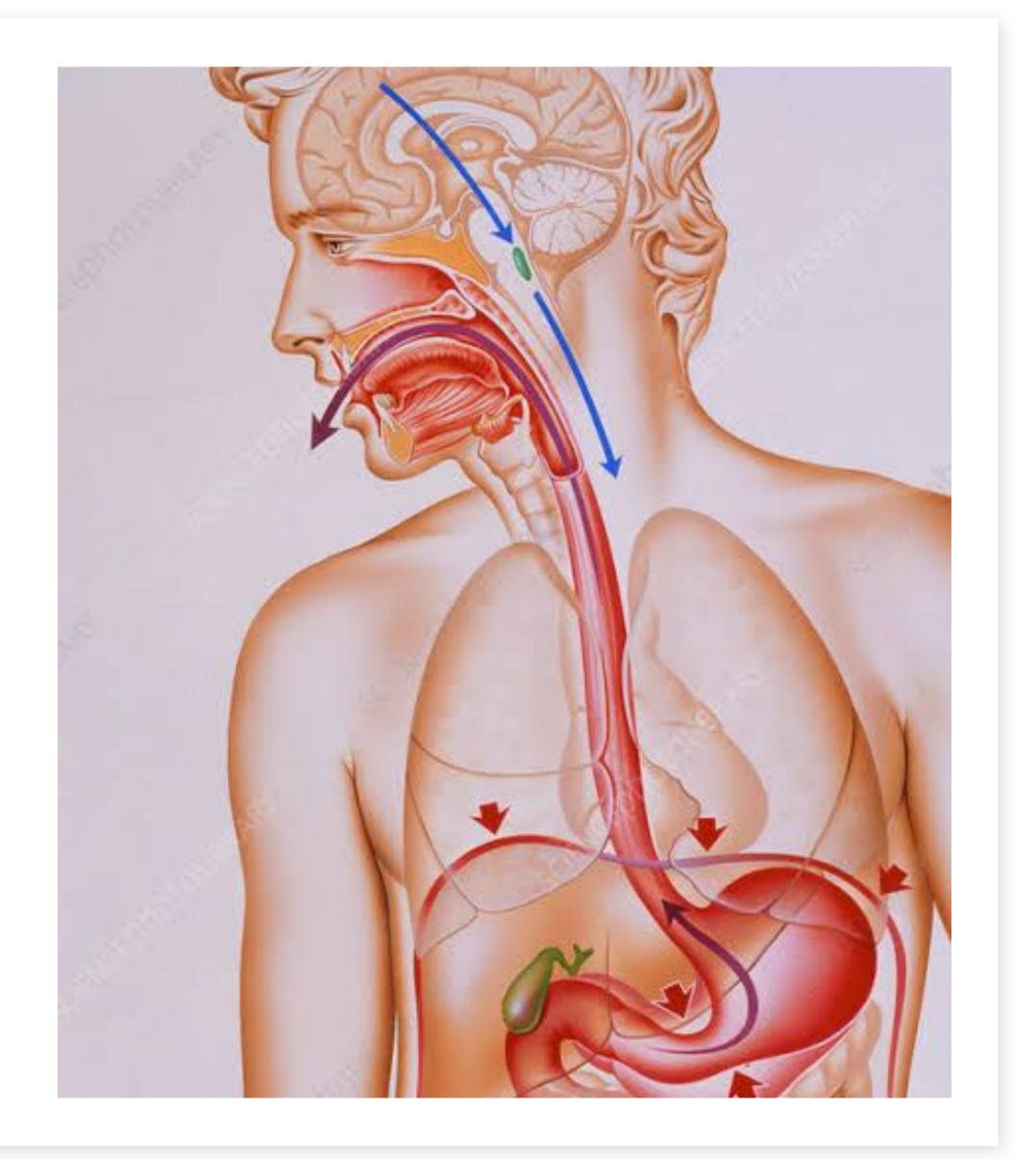
# Myth and fact in oncology

#### OBJECTIVE

- Assessing Emetogenic Risk
- Current Guidelines
- Recently Approved Agents
- Ongoing Controversies
- The Pharmacist's Role



### Assessing Emetogenic Risk



#### Assessing Emetogenic Risk

- Should be completed for each patient
  - Before the start of anticancer therapy
  - Before any subsequent CMT cycles
- Prophylactic medications:
  - Scheduled throughout the period of risk
    - 4 days for a single-day HEC regimen
    - 3 days for MEC
- Breakthrough agent: different pharmacologic class

"It's really key to counsel our patients to make sure they understand how important it is to be compliant with their scheduled medications, and to use breakthrough the moment they start to feel nauseous."

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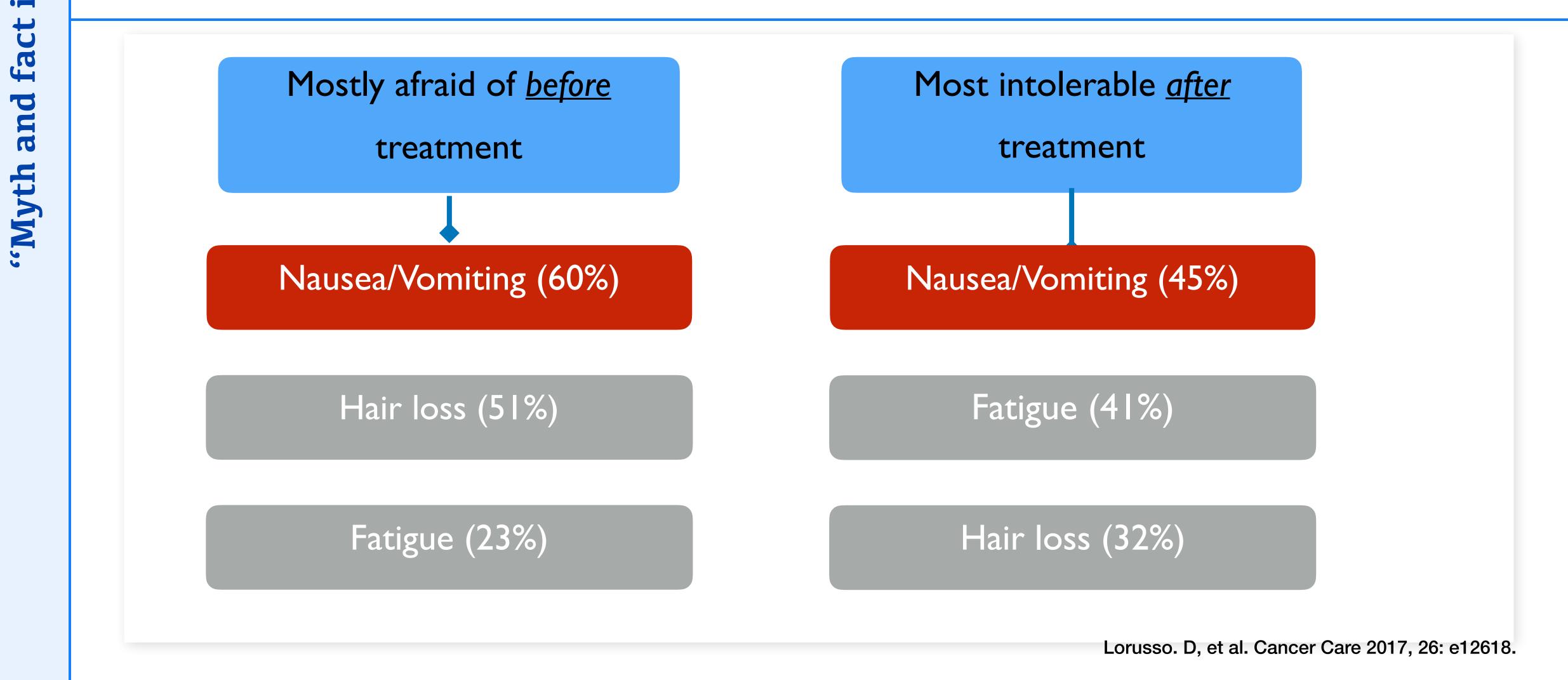
#### Assessing Emetogenic Risk

 Determining emetogenic risk is fairly straightforward when administering single-agent CMT, but when a multi-agent regimen is used, it should be based on the drug in the regimen with the highest emetic risk.

#### • Ex:

- Cisplatin (HEC) plus etoposide (LEC) would be HEC, whereas oxaliplatin (MEC) plus fluorouracil (5-FU) (LEC) plus leucovorin (MiniEC) would be MEC.
- In the case of 2 MEC drugs (ie, an anthracycline plus cyclophosphamide), the regimen should be considered HEC.

#### Patient Perception



#### CONSEQUENCES

Increase Cost of treatment

Reduce treatment compliance



Impair **Quality of life** 

Ritter Jr HL et al. Cancer Invest 1998;16:87–93 Ballatori E, et al. Health Qual Life Outcomes. 2003; 1: 46.

Ihbe-Heffinger A, et al. Annals of Oncology 15: 526–536, 2004

#### Assessing Emetogenic Risk

- Nausea remains a more significant problem than vomiting.
  - Many physicians and nurses think CINV is fairly well controlled
  - But patient perceptions tend to be different
- A 2015 HOPA survey that assessed perceptions about CINV revealed numerous misconceptions, including the myth that nausea and vomiting indicate that the CMT is working, and the belief that CINV is simply to be expected.
  - Patients also commonly think that as long as they are not vomiting, their CINV is being controlled

## NCCN National Comprehensive Cancer Network®

#### Current Guideline

NCCN Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology (NCCN Guidelines®)

#### Antiemesis

Version 1.2019 — February 28, 2019

NCCN.org

NCCN Guidelines for Patients® available at www.nccn.org/patients

Emetogenic	Recommendation			
	วันที่ 1 (Acute phase)	วันที่ 2,3,4 (Delayed phase)		
	A: NK <sub>1</sub> RAs* plus 5H I <sub>3</sub> RAs plus dex†	A: Aprepitant 80mg PO on days 2,3 <sup>Ω</sup> plus dex on		
HEC		days 2,3,4 <sup>‡</sup> B: OLN <sup>#</sup> on days 2,3,4		
	C: OLN# plus NK <sub>1</sub> RAs* plus 5HT <sub>3</sub> RAs plus	C: OLN# on days 2,3,4 plus Aprepitant 80mg PO		
	dex <sup>†</sup>	on days $2,3^{\Omega}$ plus dex on days $2,3,4^{\ddagger}$		
	วันที่ 1 (Acute phase)	วันที่ 2,3 (Delayed phase)		
	D: 5HT <sub>3</sub> RAs plus dex <sup>†</sup>	D: dex on days $2,3$ ‡ or $5HT_3RAs$ on days $2,3$ ¾		
MEC	E: OLN# plus palonosetron IV plus dex†	E: OLN# on days 2,3		
	F: NK₁RAs* plus 5HT₃RAs plus dex†	F: Aprepitant 80mg PO on days $2,3^{\Omega}$ +/- dex on days $2,3^{\ddagger}$		
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LEC	Dex หรือ metoclopramide หรือ prochlorperazine หรือ 5HT <sub>3</sub> RAs			
miniEC	No routine prophylaxis			

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#### Current Guideline

- Olanzapine improves outcomes when added to a NK<sub>1</sub>RA plus a 5-HT<sub>3</sub>RA plus DEX and is now considered a standard-of-care option for patients treated with cisplatin-based and other HEC regimens, (ASCO, NCCN)
- These guidelines also recommend that an NK<sub>1</sub>RA be added to a prophylactic regimen of a **5-HT<sub>3</sub>RA plus DEX** for patients receiving carboplatin-based CMT. Olanzapine with cisplatin-based and other HEC regimens, (ASCO, NCCN)

#### Current Guideline

- If a prophylactic antiemetic regimen does not contain an NK<sub>1</sub> RA, a single dose of granisetron extended release injection or IV palonosetron are the preferred 5-HT<sub>3</sub>RAs, per NCCN guidelines
- "If olanzapine wasn't used on day one, consider it your breakthrough option"

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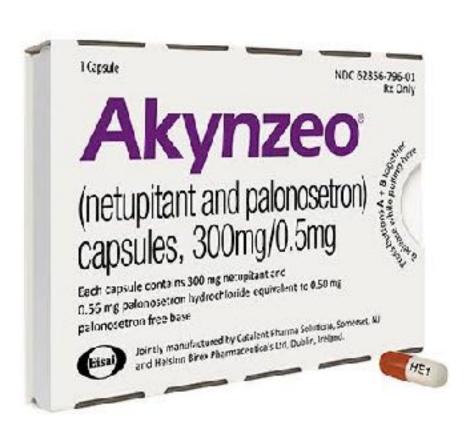
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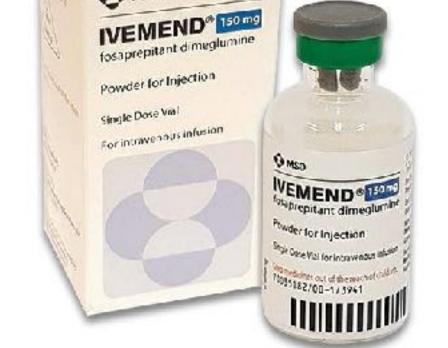
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## Approved Agent in Thailand





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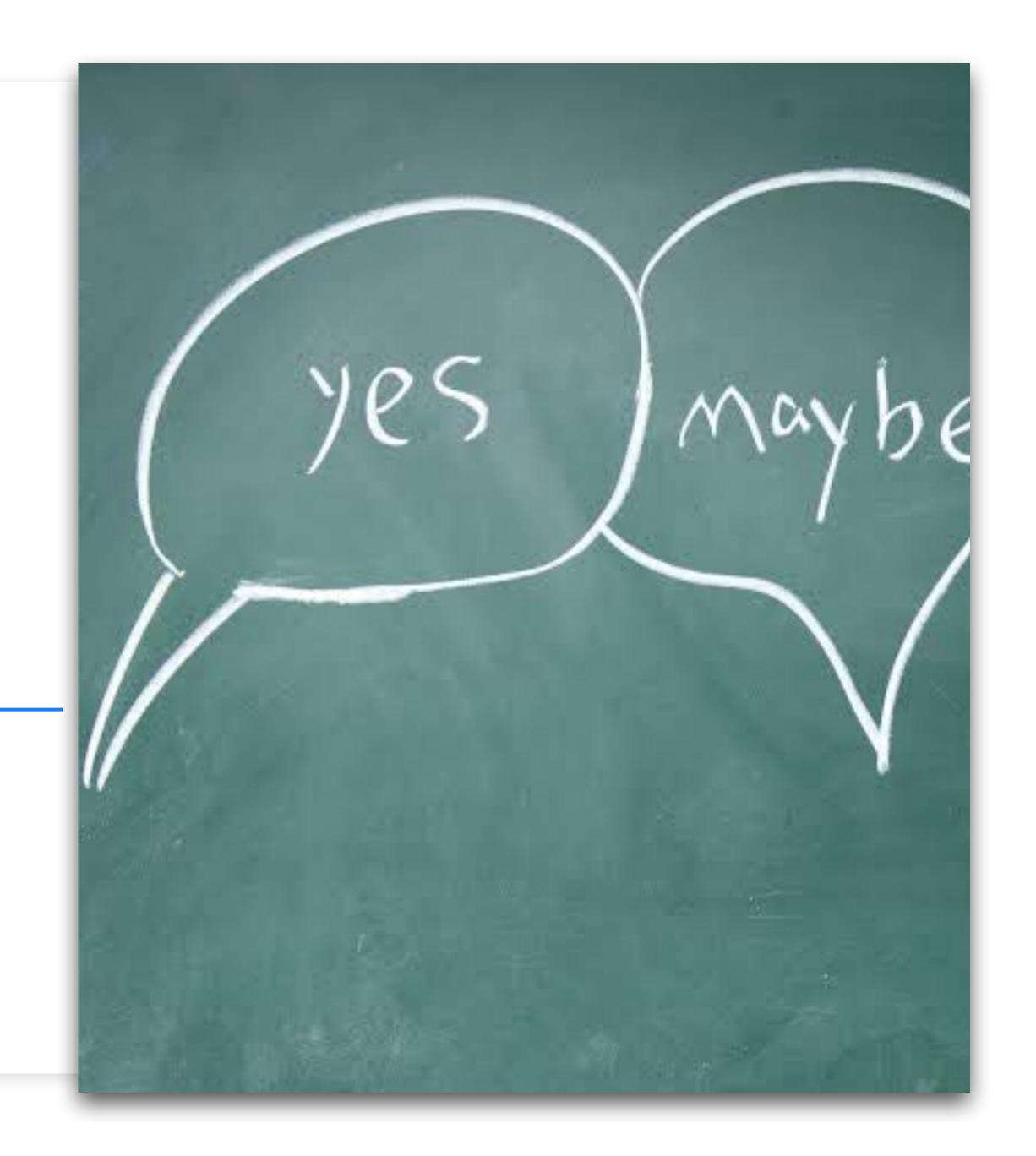
#### OLANZAPINE

- Olanzapine: Available orally, including dispersive tablet
- Phase II and phase III trials have indicated antiemetic activity
  - Methodologic issues have troubled most trials
- ADRs: sedation at a higher level than with other agents
- Affects a variety of neurotransmitter receptors
  - Different than most modern antiemetic
  - Implications: broader spectrum...but potential of more sideeffects

#### New combination: NK<sub>1</sub>RA+5HT<sub>3</sub>RA

- New combination
  - Oral routenetupitant/palonosetron
- Both fixed-combination products
  - Long-acting NK<sub>1</sub>RA + Long-acting 5-HT<sub>3</sub>RA
  - Single dose
- Indication: prevention of acute and delayed CINV
- ADR: Headache, fatigue

# Ongoing Controversies



## NK<sub>1</sub>RA or olanzapine

NK<sub>1</sub>RA

#### Olanzapine

- A phase I trial of olanzapine (Zyprexa) for the prevention of delayed emesis in cancer patients: a Hoosier Oncology Group study.
  - OLN 10 mg
  - DLT: sedation
- Passik SD, et al. Cancer Invest, 2004:22(3):383-8.

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## NK<sub>1</sub>RA or olanzapine

#### NK<sub>1</sub>RA

A randomized phase III study evaluating the efficacy of single-dose NEPA, a fixed antiemetic combination of netupitant and palonosetron, versus an aprepitant regimen for prevention of chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting (CINV) in patients receiving highly emetogenic chemotherapy (HEC)

 NEPA administered only on day 1 was non-inferior to a 3-day oral APR/ GRAN regimen in preventing CINV associated with HEC

Zhang L, et al, Ann Oncol. 2018;29(2):452-458

## Olanzapine

- A Olanzapine versus aprepitant for the prevention of chemotherapyinduced nausea and vomiting: a randomized phase III trial.
  - Short term use of olanzapine appears to be effective in controlling CINV in patients receiving HEC
  - 5HT<sub>3</sub>RA gen2

Navari RM, et al, J Support Oncol, 2011:9(5):188-95.

## NK<sub>1</sub>RA or olanzapine

#### NK<sub>1</sub>RA

Very good in term of safety profile

- Most common ADR is mild fatigue, headache, constipation
- Gralla RJ, et al. Ann Oncol. 2014 Jul;25(7):1333-9.

## Olanzapine

- Olanzapine appears to have significant efficacy in delayed nausea
- Olanzapine vs DEX
  - Tan L, et al, J Exp Clin Cancer Res, 2009:23;28:131.
- Olanzapine vs Aprepitant
  - Navari RM, et al, J Support Oncol, 2011:9(5):188-95.

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## NK<sub>1</sub>RA or olanzapine NK<sub>1</sub>RA

## Olanzapine

Aprepitant for the prevention of chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting in children: a randomised, double-blind, phase 3 trial

- Effective and safe in pediatric population
- Kang HJ, etal. Lancet Oncol. 2015 Apr; 16(4):385-94.
- The use of olanzapine versus metoclopramide for the treatment of breakthrough chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting in patients receiving highly emetogenic chemotherapy.
  - Olanzapine effective in "Breakthrough" CINV" Olanzapine vs Metoclopramide
  - Navari RM, et al, Support Care Cancer, 2013:21(6):1655-63.

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## NK<sub>1</sub>RA or olanzapine

NK<sub>1</sub>RA

## Olanzapine

Aprepitant also shown its safety in other setting include hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (both autologous and allogeneic)

- Bubalo J, etal. Bone Marrow Transplant. 2018;53(8):1010-1018
- Uchida M, et al. Pharmacotherapy. 2013; 33(9): 893-901.
- Junagadhwalla M, et al. Blood 2005 106:5329;

- Effectiveness of olanzapine for the treatment of breakthrough chemotherapy induced nausea and vomiting.
- Olanzapine effective in "Breakthrough CINV" Olanzapine single arm
- Chanthawong S, et al, J Med Assoc Thai 2014;97(3):349-55.

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## NK<sub>1</sub>RA or olanzapine

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## Olanzapine

Apprepitant also approved in post operative nausea vomiting (PONV)

- Meta-analysis shows lower need for rescue antiemetic and a higher complete response when compare with 5-HT
- Singh PM, et al. Postgrad Med J. 2016;92(1084):87-98

- Olanzapine versus fosaprepitant for the prevention of concurrent chemotherapy radiotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting.
- Olanzapine effective in patients receiving **CCRT**
- Olanzapine vs Fosaprepitant
- Navari RM, et al, J Community Support Oncol, 2016:14(4):141-7.

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#### Olanzapine-Based Triple Regimens Versus Neurokinin-1 Receptor Antagonist-Based Triple Regimens in Preventing Chemotherapy-Induced Nausea and Vomiting Associated with Highly Emetogenic **Chemotherapy: A Network Meta-Analysis**

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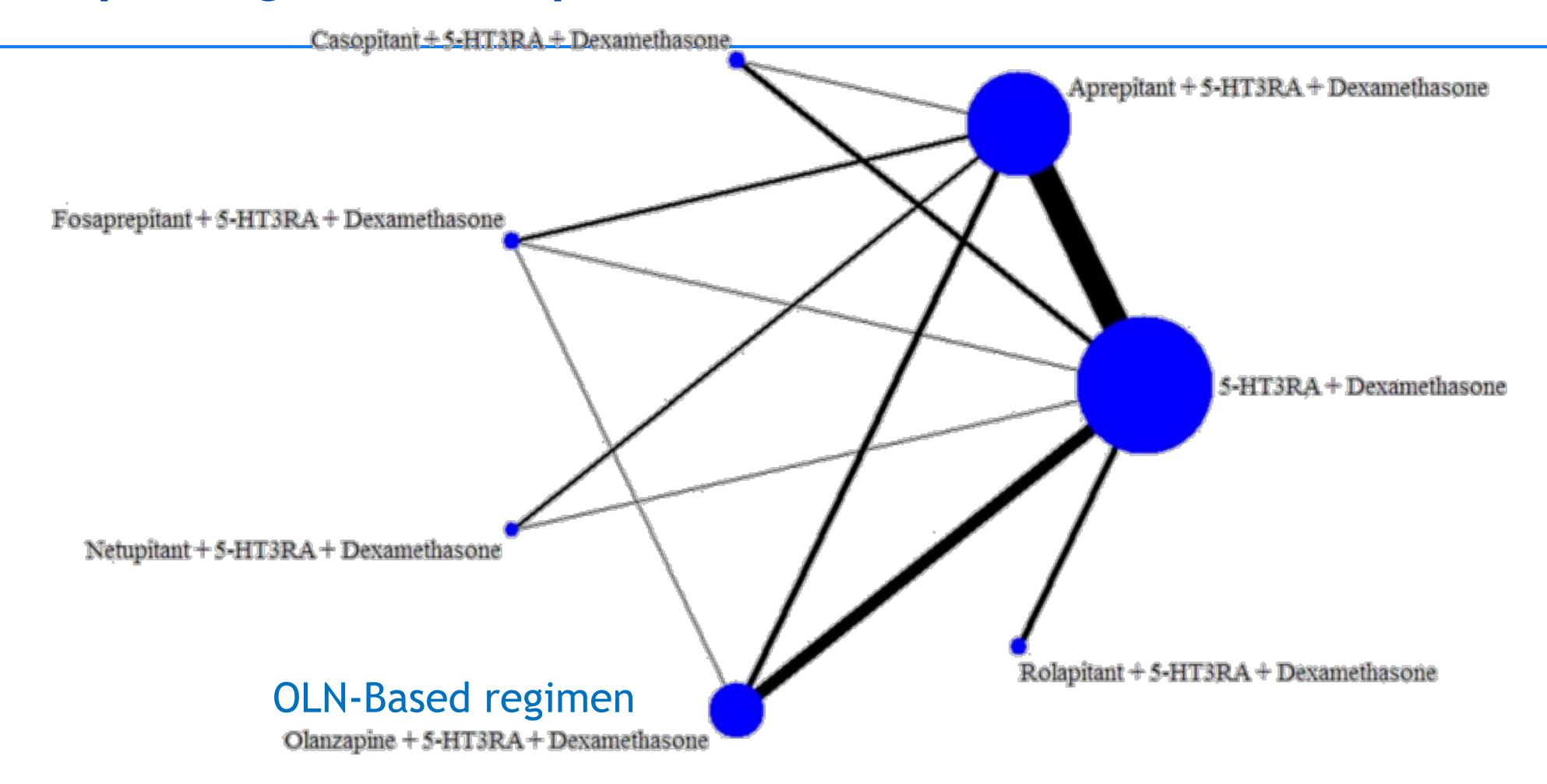
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# Network established for multiple treatment comparisons of olanzapine-based triple regimens and different NK<sub>1</sub>RAs-based triple regimens for patients with HEC

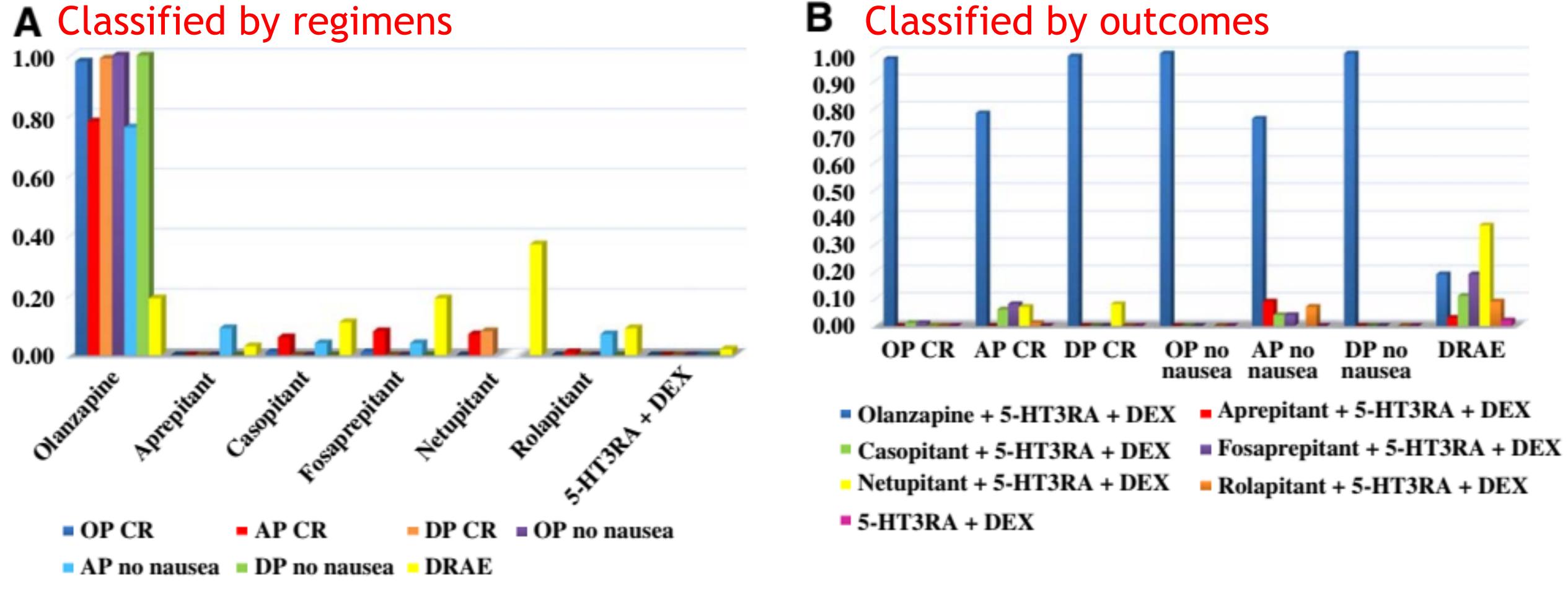


## Binary comparison of olanzapine + 5-HT<sub>3</sub>RA + DEX regimens versus NK<sub>1</sub>-RA + 5-HT<sub>3</sub>RA + DEX regimens for antiemetic efficacy

	No. of trials	OR <sup>a</sup> (95% CI)	Effect size		Heterogeneity	
Outcome	(no. of participants)	in random model	Z	p value	p value	I <sup>2</sup> , %
Overall phase CR	5 (509)	1.16 (0.78-1.74)	0.73	.46	.96	0
Acute phase CR	5 (509)	2.13 (0.97-4.68)	1.87	.06	.20	34
Delayed phase CR	5 (513)	1.27 (0.84-1.92)	1.15	.25	.96	0
Overall phase no nausea	5 (509)	2.45 (1.34-4.48)	2.92	.004	.11	47
Acute phase no nausea	5 (509)	1.10 (0.68-1.80)	0.40	.69	.81	0
Delayed phase no nausea	5 (509)	3.07 (2.09-4.52)	5.71	<.001	.52	0

a Represents ORolanzapine-based triple/NK1-RA-based triple in cancer patients using olanzapine 1 5-HT3RA 1 DEX regimens or NK1-RA 1 5-HT3RA 1 DEX regimens in preventing chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting.

Abbreviations: 5-HT3RA, serotonin receptor antagonist; CI, confidence interval; CR, complete response; DEX, dexamethasone; I2, I-square results; NK1-RA, neurokinin-1 receptor antagonist; OR, odds ratio; Z, Z Test results.



Distribution of probabilities of each CINV regimen being ranked first place based on network, classified by regimens (A) and by outcomes (B).A

**Abbreviations:** 5-HT3RA, serotonin receptor antagonist; AP, acute phase; CR, complete response; DEX, dexamethasone; DP, delayed phase; DRAE, drug-related adverse event; OP, overall phase.

Zhang Z, et al. The Oncologist 2018;23:603-616

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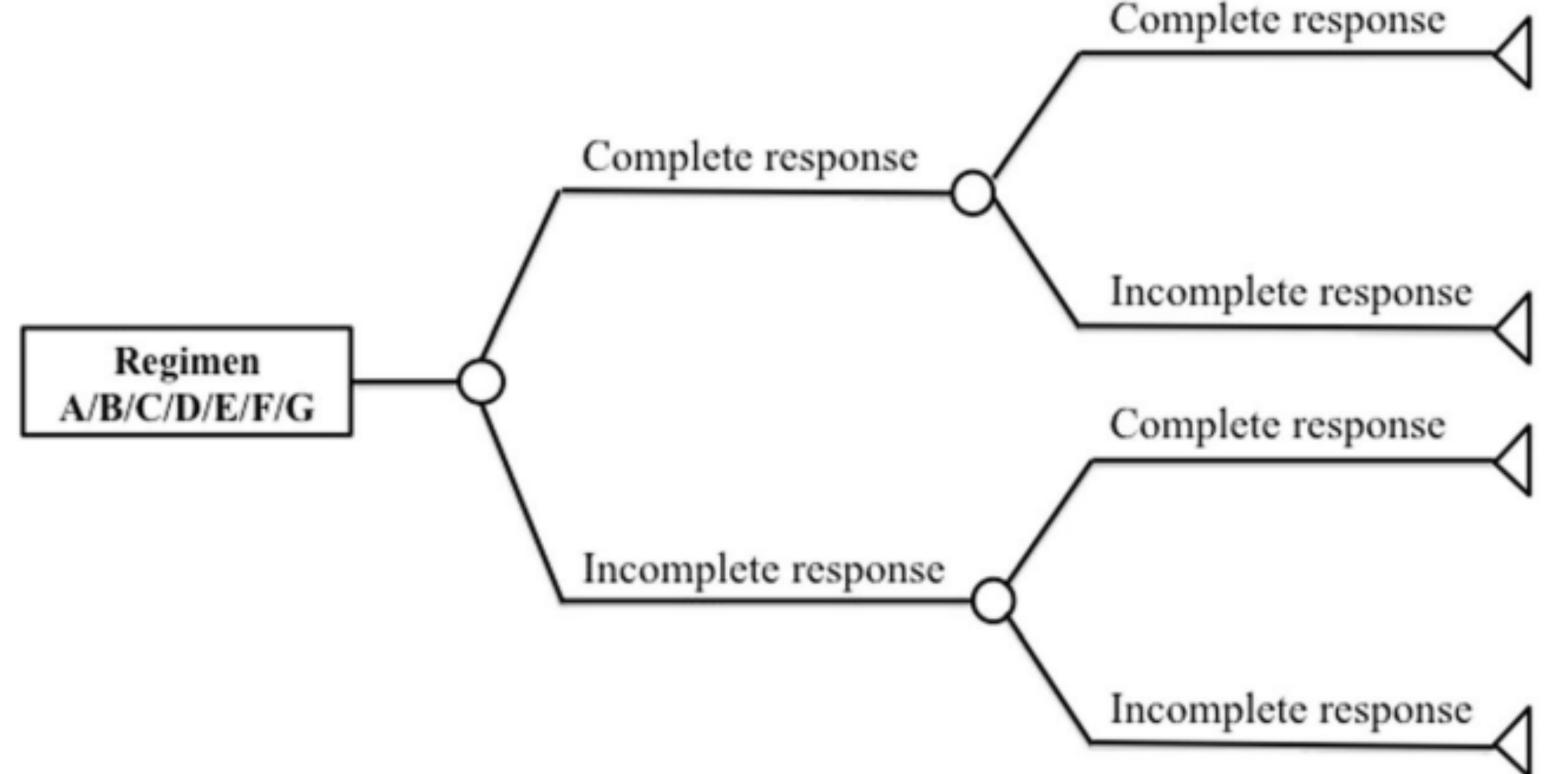


# Cost-effectiveness analysis of olanzapine-containing antiemetic therapy for managing highly emetogenic chemotherapy in Southeast Asia: a multinational study

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Received: 19 January 2018 / Accepted: 3 August 2018 © Springer-Verlag GmbH Germany, part of Springer Nature 2018 Acute phase (0-24 hour)

Delayed phase (24-120 hour)



- (A) DEX + 5HT3RA1, (Ref.)
- (B) DEX + 5HT3RA2,
- (C) DEX + 5HT3RA1 + OLN,
- (D) DEX + 5HT3RA2 + OLN,
- (E) DEX + 5HT3RA1 + APR,
- (F) DEX + 5HT3RA2 + APR, and

Parameters	Thailand	Malaysia	Singapore	Indonesia	Ref
Complete response (CR) rate (A: DEX + 5HT3RA1)					
CR in acute phase	0.65	0.55	0.68	0.33	*
CR in delayed phase (following CR in acute phase)	0.36	0.51	0.71	0.37	
CR in delayed phase (following CINV in acute	0.36	0.11	0.30	0.30	
phase)					

Chanthawong S, et al. Support Care Cancer. 2019;27(3):1109-1119.

#### Risk ratio of CR and health state utility model estimates

Parameter	Base case	Range	Reference(s)
Risk ratio*			
Acute CINV			
A: DEX + 5HT3RA1	Reference		
B: DEX + 5HT3RA2 C: DEX + 5HT3RA1 + OLN	1.538 1.084	1.310-1.806 0.887-1.324	NMA†
D: DEX + 5HT3RA2 + OLN	2.370	1.342-4.186	
E: DEX + 5HT3RA1 + APR	1.671	0.662-4.217	
F: DEX + 5HT3RA2 + APR	1.621	1.123-2.342	
G: DEX + 5HT3RA2 + OLN + APR	3.313	1.925-5.701	
Delayed CINV			
A: DEX + 5HT3RA1	Reference		
B: DEX + 5HT3RA2 C: DEX + 5HT3RA1 + OLN	1.577 1.227	1.440-1.727 1.109-1.358	NMA‡
D: DEX + 5HT3RA2 + OLN	17.788	4.466-70.850	
E: DEX + 5HT3RA1 + APR	2.382	1.578-3.595	
F: DEX + 5HT3RA2 + APR	1.982	1.626-2.416	
G: DEX + 5HT3RA2 + OLN + APR	2.482	1.858-3.315	

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#### Implications for Practice

- According to the results of this study, olanzapine-based triple antiemetic regimens were superior in both overall and delayed-phase nausea control when compared with various neurokinin-1 receptor antagonists-based triple regimens in patients with HEC.
- Olanzapine-based triplet was outstanding in terms of <u>nausea</u> control and <u>drug price</u>.
- For cancer patients with HEC, especially those suffering from delayed-phase nausea, olanzapine-based triple regimens should be an optional antiemetic choice.

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#### **REVIEW**

## Neurokinin-1 Receptor Antagonists for Chemotherapy-Induced Nausea and Vomiting: A Systematic Review

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Seventeen trials (8740 patients)

Endpiont	With NK-1 RA	Without NK-1 RA	OR and P value
CR (over all)	72%	54%	OR = 0.51, P < .001

- Increase rate of complete response in the acute phase (OR 0.56, 95% CI 0.48 to 065; 15 trials; l<sup>2</sup>=22%)
- In the delayed phase (OR 0.48, 95% CI 0.42 to 0.56; I5 trials; l<sup>2</sup>=47%)
- Benefit in both HEC and MEC

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- Data from a phase 3 trial show highly cost-effective of NEPA in post-HEC CINV prevention.
- Significant total per-patient cost reduction of \$309 (\$943 vs \$1252; 95% CI \$4-\$626)
  - \$258 in lower medical costs of CINV-related event
  - \$45 in lower study drug costs
  - Actual savings may be higher, e.g. impact of CINV-related chemotherapy discontinuation

#### Implications for Practice

- NK-1 RA based regimen is outstanding in term of efficacy and safety profile
- Most frequent ADR is mild and not interfere with patient daily activity
- Novel agents are convenient for patient: single dose
- Aprepitant is approved in more indications and in special population esp. pediatric

#### Controversy

- Controversy continues over the optimal dose of DEX, but the dose can be individualized based on patient-specific factors, concurrent medications, ADRs, and CMT regimen
- More controversy surrounds carboplatin's emetogenicity.
- Carboplatin AUC of ≥4 is currently considered HEC (NCCN), or a unique category of MEC (ASCO)
- Lack of data for novel NK1-RA agent in some specific indication/ population

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#### Controversy

- The preferred 5-HT3RA when no NK1RA is used is granisetron ER injection or palonosetron.
- When an NK1RA is used, there is no preferred 5-HT3RA agent, yet.
- "ASCO revised their guidelines in 2017 before granisetron ER [was approved], so this could change in the future,". As of now, there is also no preferred NK1 RA agent.

Hesketh PJ, et al. J Oncol Pract. 2017;13:825-830.

NCCN Guidelines: Antiemesis. Version 1.2019. www.nccn.org/professionals/physician\_gls/pdf/antiemesis.pdf.

#### Controversy

- In terms of HEC regimens, olanzapine has been established as non-inferior to an NK<sub>1</sub> RA regimen, and an NK<sub>1</sub> RA regimen added to olanzapine is better than an NK<sub>1</sub> RA regimen alone.
  - Quadruplet vs. Triplet regimen

• To Be Continue .... Next Topic

#### Pharmacist Roles

- Guard against over- or underutilization of antiemetics
- Antiemetic selection
- Drug-drug interactions
- Clinical trial results
- Practice guidelines
- Cost

