

# WALDENSTROM MACROGLOBULINEMIA/LYMPHOPLASMACYTIC LYMPHOMA TREATMENT REGIMENS (Part 1 of 4)

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## Primary Therapy for Waldenstrom Macroglobulinemia/Lymphoplasmacytic Lymphoma (WM/LPL)<sup>1</sup>

**Note:** All recommendations are Category 2A unless otherwise indicated.

### Preferred Regimens

REGIMEN	DOSING
<b>Bendamustine + rituximab</b> <sup>2,a,b</sup>	<b>Days 1-2:</b> Bendamustine 90mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV, ± <b>Day 1:</b> Rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV. Repeat every 4 weeks for 4 cycles.
<b>Bortezomib + dexamethasone + rituximab</b> <sup>3,4,b,c,d,e</sup>	<b>Days 1, 4, 8, and 11:</b> Bortezomib 1.3mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV + dexamethasone 40mg IV. <b>Day 11:</b> Rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV. Repeat for 4 consecutive cycles as induction therapy and follow with 4 maintenance cycles, each given 3 months apart.
<b>Rituximab + cyclophosphamide + dexamethasone</b> <sup>5,b</sup>	<b>Day 1:</b> Dexamethasone 20mg IV followed by rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV <b>Days 1-5:</b> Cyclophosphamide 100mg/m <sup>2</sup> orally twice daily. Repeat every 21 days for 6 months.

### Other Recommended Regimens

<b>Bendamustine</b> <sup>6</sup>	<b>Days 1-2:</b> Bendamustine 90mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV over 10 minutes <b>OR</b> IV over 30 minutes (based on product selection) <b>OR</b> <b>Days 1-2:</b> Bendamustine 70mg/m <sup>2</sup> over 10 minutes <b>OR</b> IV over 30 minutes (based on product selection; if advanced age, previously received nucleoside analogue, renal insufficiency). Repeat every 4 weeks for 6 cycles.
<b>Bortezomib ± rituximab</b> <sup>7,b,c,d,e</sup>	<b>Days 1, 8, and 15:</b> Bortezomib 1.6mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV, ± <b>Days 1, 8, 15, and 22 on cycles 1 and 4:</b> Rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV. Repeat every 28 days for 6 cycles.
<b>Bortezomib + dexamethasone</b> <sup>8,d,e</sup>	<b>Days 1, 4, 8, and 11:</b> Bortezomib 1.3mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV <b>Days 1, 4, 8, and 11:</b> Dexamethasone 40mg IV. Repeat for 4 consecutive cycles as induction therapy and follow with 4 maintenance cycles, each given 3 months apart.
<b>CaRD (Carfilzomib + rituximab + dexamethasone)</b> <sup>9,10,b,d,f</sup>	<b>Induction:</b> <b>Days 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, and 16:</b> Carfilzomib 20mg/m <sup>2</sup> 20-minute IV infusion (cycle 1), then 36mg/m <sup>2</sup> 30-minute IV infusion (cycles 2-6) <b>Days 1, 2, 8, and 9:</b> Dexamethasone 20mg IV <b>Days 2 and 9:</b> Rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> <b>Maintenance:</b> <b>Days 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, and 16:</b> Carfilzomib 36mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV <b>Days 1 and 2:</b> Dexamethasone 20mg IV <b>Day 2:</b> Rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> . Repeat every 21 days for 6 induction cycles, then 8 weeks later, begin maintenance every 8 weeks for 8 cycles.
<b>Cladribine ± rituximab</b> <sup>11,b,d,h,i</sup>	<b>Days 1-5:</b> Cladribine 0.1mg/kg subcutaneous injection, ± <b>Day 1:</b> Rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV. Repeat every 4 weeks for 4 cycles.
<b>Cyclophosphamide + doxorubicin + vincristine + prednisone + rituximab</b> <sup>12,13,b,e,j</sup>	<b>Day 1:</b> Cyclophosphamide 750mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV + doxorubicin 50mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV + vincristine 1.4mg/m <sup>2</sup> (max 2mg) IV + rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV <b>Days 1-5:</b> Prednisone 100mg orally. Repeat every 3 weeks for 6 cycles.

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## Primary Therapy for Waldenstrom Macroglobulinemia/Lymphoplasmacytic Lymphoma (WM/LPL)<sup>1</sup> (continued)

### Other Recommended Regimens (continued)

REGIMEN	DOSING
Fludarabine ± rituximab <sup>14,b,d,h,i</sup>	<b>Weeks 5, 9, 13, 19, 23, and 27:</b> Fludarabine 25mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV daily for 5 days, ± <b>Weeks 1-4, 17, 18, 30, and 31:</b> Rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV per week.
Fludarabine + cyclophosphamide + rituximab <sup>15,a,b,d,h,j</sup>	<b>Day 1:</b> Rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV <b>Days 2-4:</b> Fludarabine 25mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV + cyclophosphamide 250mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV. Repeat every 28 days for a maximum of 6 cycles.
Ibrutinib <sup>16,g</sup>	Ibrutinib 420mg orally once daily. Continue treatment until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity.
Rituximab <sup>17,b</sup>	<b>Day 1:</b> Rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV. Repeat every 7 days for 4 weeks.
Rituximab + cyclophosphamide + prednisone <sup>18,b</sup>	<b>Day 1:</b> Rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV + cyclophosphamide 1,000mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV <b>Days 1-5:</b> Prednisone 100mg orally. Repeat every 21 days for 6 cycles.

## Therapy for Previously Treated WM/LPL<sup>1</sup>

### Preferred Regimens

Bendamustine + rituximab <sup>2,a,b</sup>	<b>Days 1-2:</b> Bendamustine 90mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV, ± <b>Day 1:</b> Rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV. Repeat every 4 weeks for 4 cycles.
Bortezomib + dexamethasone + rituximab <sup>3,4,b,c,d,e</sup>	<b>Days 1, 4, 8, and 11:</b> Bortezomib 1.3mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV <b>Day 11:</b> Rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV <b>Days 1, 4, 8, and 11:</b> Dexamethasone 40mg IV. Repeat for 4 consecutive cycles as induction therapy and follow with 4 maintenance cycles, each given 3 months apart.
Ibrutinib <sup>16,g</sup>	Ibrutinib 420mg orally daily for 2 years or until disease progression or unacceptable drug toxicity.
Rituximab + cyclophosphamide + dexamethasone <sup>5,b</sup>	<b>Days 1-5:</b> Cyclophosphamide 100mg/m <sup>2</sup> orally twice daily <b>Day 1:</b> Dexamethasone 20mg IV followed by rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV. Repeat every 21 days for 6 months.

### Other Recommended Regimens

Bendamustine <sup>6</sup>	<b>Days 1-2:</b> Bendamustine 90mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV over 10 minutes <b>OR</b> IV over 30 minutes (based on product selection) <b>OR</b> <b>Days 1-2:</b> Bendamustine 70mg/m <sup>2</sup> over 10 minutes <b>OR</b> IV over 30 minutes (based on product selection; if advanced age, previously received nucleoside analogue, renal insufficiency). Repeat every 4 weeks for 6 cycles.
Bortezomib ± rituximab <sup>7,b,c,d,e</sup>	<b>Days 1, 8, and 15:</b> Bortezomib 1.6mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV, ± <b>Days 1, 8, 15, and 22 on cycles 1 and 4:</b> Rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV. Repeat every 28 days for 6 cycles.
Bortezomib + dexamethasone <sup>8,d,e</sup>	<b>Days 1, 4, 8, and 11:</b> Bortezomib 1.0 or 1.3mg/m <sup>2</sup> If disease progression after 2 cycles of stable disease or after first 4 cycles of bortezomib: Dexamethasone 20mg orally on the day of and the day after each bortezomib dose.
Cladribine ± rituximab <sup>11,b,d,h,j</sup>	<b>Days 1-5:</b> Cladribine 0.1mg/kg subcutaneous injection, ± <b>Day 1:</b> Rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV. Repeat every 4 weeks for 4 cycles.
Cyclophosphamide + doxorubicin + vincristine + prednisone + rituximab <sup>12,13,b,e,j</sup>	<b>Day 1:</b> Cyclophosphamide 750mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV + doxorubicin 50mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV + vincristine 1.4mg/m <sup>2</sup> (max 2mg) IV + rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV <b>Days 1-5:</b> Prednisone 100mg orally. Repeat every 3 weeks for 6 cycles.

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## Therapy for Previously Treated WM/LPL<sup>1</sup> (continued)

### Other Recommended Regimens (continued)

REGIMEN	DOSING
<b>Everolimus<sup>19</sup></b>	Everolimus 10mg orally daily for 4 weeks (1 cycle). Repeat until disease progression or unacceptable drug toxicity.
<b>Fludarabine ± rituximab<sup>14,b,d,h,i</sup></b>	<b>Weeks 5, 9, 13, 19, 23, and 27:</b> Fludarabine 25mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV daily for 5 days, ± <b>Weeks 1–4, 17, 18, 30, and 31:</b> Rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV per week.
<b>Fludarabine + cyclophosphamide + rituximab<sup>15,a,b,d,h,i</sup></b>	<b>Day 1:</b> Rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV <b>Days 2–4:</b> Fludarabine 25mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV + cyclophosphamide 250mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV. Repeat every 28 days for a maximum of 6 cycles.
<b>Rituximab<sup>17,b</sup></b>	<b>Day 1:</b> Rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV. Repeat every 7 days for 4 weeks.
<b>Rituximab + cyclophosphamide + prednisone<sup>18,b</sup></b>	<b>Day 1:</b> Rituximab 375mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV + cyclophosphamide 1,000mg/m <sup>2</sup> IV <b>Days 1–5:</b> Prednisone 100mg orally. Repeat every 21 days for 6 cycles.

### Useful in Certain Situations

<b>Ofatumumab (for rituximab-intolerant individuals)<sup>20,b,k</sup></b>	<b>Week 1:</b> Ofatumumab 300mg IV <b>Weeks 2–4:</b> Ofatumumab 1,000mg IV. <b>OR</b> <b>Week 1:</b> Ofatumumab 300mg IV <b>Weeks 2–5:</b> Ofatumumab 2,000mg IV.
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### Stem Cell Transplant

<b>Autologous Stem Cell Transplant<sup>21</sup></b>	Treatment varied depending on local protocols.
<b>Allogeneic stem cell transplant (ablative or nonablative)<sup>22,l</sup></b>	Preferably undertaken in the context of a clinical trial.

- <sup>a</sup> Pneumocystis jiroveci pneumonia (PJP) prophylaxis should be considered for patients receiving bendamustine/rituximab or fludarabine/cyclophosphamide/rituximab.
- <sup>b</sup> In patients with symptomatic hyperviscosity, plasmapheresis should first be performed; plasmapheresis should also be considered before treatment with rituximab or ofatumumab for asymptomatic Waldenström's macroglobulinemia patients with an IgM ≥4,000 mg/dL to avoid aggravation of serum viscosity on the basis of rituximab-related IgM flare. Rituximab or ofatumumab may also be held in patients with elevated serum IgM levels for initial treatment cycles.
- <sup>c</sup> Consider for patients presenting with symptomatic hyperviscosity, or in whom rapid IgM reduction is required.
- <sup>d</sup> Herpes zoster prophylaxis should be considered for patients receiving these regimens.
- <sup>e</sup> These regimens are associated with treatment-related neuropathy and should be avoided in patients with disease-related neuropathy. See Discussion.
- <sup>f</sup> Serial serum IgA and IgG levels should be carefully monitored as these can be depleted with carfilzomib-based therapy.
- <sup>g</sup> Lower overall and absence of major responses observed in MYD88 wild-type patients.
- <sup>h</sup> May be associated with disease transformation and/or development of MDS/AML in Waldenström's macroglobulinemia patients.
- <sup>i</sup> Avoid in patients who are potential autologous stem cell transplant candidates.
- <sup>j</sup> Vincristine is associated with a high risk of peripheral neuropathy in patients with WM/LPL. Consider alternative regimens without vincristine (eg, cyclophosphamide, dexamethasone, rituximab) if cyclophosphamide-based therapy is being considered.
- <sup>k</sup> Ofatumumab may be used for rituximab-intolerant individuals as a single agent or in combination therapy.
- <sup>l</sup> Should ideally be undertaken in the context of a clinical trial.

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