

Comparative study of two doses of filgrastim (5 and 15 µgr/kg) in children with cancer

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## Indication based on guidelines American society of clinical oncology (ASCO) European organization for research and treatment of cancer (EORTC)

## Setting of stem cell transplantation Setting of chemotherapy

## Setting of stem cell transplantation:

donor stimulation of peripheral blood stem cell Pheresis HSCT recipients as part of most immediate post transplant regiments

### Setting of chemotherapy: Primary Prophilaxis secondery Prophilaxis Supportive treatment in high-risk FN

Standard dosage is 5ug/kg Higher dosage : in the setting of prophilaxis has not shown benefit

in the setting of peripheral blood stem cell pheresis advantage to the use of  $10\mu gr/kg$ 

# Evaluatetion this drug in different doses in FN setting

### Method:

60 patients were included.

Inclusion criteria : ANC <1500/mm + fever

And One of these criteria:

ANC<100/mm

Age <12month

Hypotention

Sepsis(Blood culture)

Pneomonia (clinical examination and CXR)

Fungal infection (culture)

Randomized controlled trial

group A:5µgr/kg

group B :15µgr/kg

## checklist

Days of hospitalization Period of fever Days of antibiotic therapy ANC increase at 5th day

## Results

### Table: frequency distribution by sex in two groups

		p-value				
			Male	female	Total	
GORUP	5µgr/kg	Number	20	10	30	0.184
		percent	66.7%	33.3%	100.0%	
	15µgr/kg	Number	16	14	30	
		percent	53.3%	46.7%	100.0%	
	Total	Number	36	24	60	
		percent	60%	40%	100.0%	
			Chi-Square			



Chart: frequency distribution by sex in two groups >>

Dose		Type of malignancy												
			Osteo sarco ma	ALL	AML	Brain Tum or	Wilm s Tum or	Hodyk in diseas e	Neuro blasto ma	Lymphom A	Rabdomy o sarcom	Germ cell Tumor	Ewing sarco ma	P- value
	5µgr/k g	numbe r	2	15	3	2	1	3	2	1	0	0	1	0.01 0
		percen t	6.7%	50.0%	10%	6.7%	3.3%	10.0%	6.7%	3.3%	0.0%	0.0%	3.3%	
	15µgr/ kg	numbe r	5	6	2	0	1	0	9	0	5	1	1	
		percen t	16.7%	20.0%	6.7%	0.0%	3.3%	0.0%	30.0%	0.0%	16.7%	3.3%	3.3%	
	Total	numbe r	7	21	5	2	2	3	11	1	5	1	2	
		percen t	11.7%	35.0%	8.3%	3.3%	3.3%	5.0%	18.3%	1.7%	8.3%	1.7%	3.3%	
	Fisher's Exact test													

### Table: frequency distribution of Malignancy in two groups

### Chart: frequency distribution of malignancy in two groups



#### Table : Mean and standard deviation of ANC at start and 5th day of Neutropenia in 2 groups

ANC at start and 5th day	group	Mean	Standard deviation	p-value
ANC at start of Neutropenia	5µgr/kg	739.34	402.33	0.427
	15µgr/kg	644.34	451.00	
ANC at 5th day of Neutropenia	5µgr/kg	1320.00	941.53	0.023
	15µgr/kg	1851.72	797.59	

Mean and standard deviation of duration of hospitalization , fever , Neutropenia , and
Antibiotic consumption in two groups

Duration (day)	group	Mean	Standard deviation	p-value			
Hospitalization	5µgr/kg	7.96	6.39	0.513			
	15µgr/kg	8.23	8.36				
fever	5µgr/kg	2.71	1.97	0.257			
	15µgr/kg	2.89	3.21				
Neutropenia	5µgr/kg	5.80	5.19	0.944			
	15µgr/kg	5.70	5.85				
Antibiotic consumption	5µgr/kg	7.70	6.08	0.237			
	15µgr/kg	8.27	8.06				
Mann-Whitney U							

## **Conclusion:**

Better effect of high dose filgrastim on ANC

No difference in days of hospitalization

no difference on period of fever

No difference on the days of antibiotic therapy

## More studies are needed

Higher sample size Specific malignancy Specific cause of hospitalization



