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Indication For metastatic or inoperable locally advanced renal cell carcinoma with a clear cell component. Note: papillary, chromophobe and Xp11 translocation sub types can be treated as per clear cell pathway. NB: patients must have either not previously received any VEGF-targeted therapy or mTOR pathway inhibitor-targeted therapy unless they have received 1st line treatment with avelumab and axitinib or had immediate prior treatment with either with pazopanib or sunitinib which has had to be stopped solely as a consequence of dose-limiting toxicity and in the clear absence of disease progression. Patients treated with tivozanib may switch to pazopanib or sunitinib where treatment has to be stopped early under the same circumstances. **Treatment** Palliative treatment Intent Every 28 days Frequency and number Tivozanib is to be continued until Continue until progressive disease or unacceptable toxicity or of cycles patient choice to stop treatment, or tivozanib can be stopped for a planned treatment break following the protocol used in the STAR trial; i.e. following 24 weeks of continuous therapy, and if there is no evidence of disease progression on therapy, patients and clinicians may choose to stop treatment for a planned drug free interval/treatment break and then restart tivozanib on disease progression. (Further planned treatments breaks following the same strategy are allowed). Review by the end of the first 8 weeks of treatment Monitoring Virology screening: All new patients referred for systemic anti-cancer treatment should be parameters screened for hepatitis B and C and the result reviewed prior to the start of treatment. Patients pre-treatment not previously tested who are starting a new line of treatment, should also be screened for hepatitis B and C. Further virology screening will be performed following individual risk assessment and clinician discretion. Monitor FBC, LFT's (AST, ALT, bilirubin, and AP) and U&E's prior to each cycle. Calcium, magnesium and potassium should be maintained within the normal range. If neuts <1.0 and/or PLT <50 d/w consultant Hepatic impairment: Not recommended in severe hepatic impairment. Patients with moderate hepatic impairment should be treated with 1340 microgram every other day. No dose adjustment is required in mild hepatic impairment. Tivozanib should be used with caution in patients with mild and moderate hepatic impairment with close monitoring of tolerability. Renal impairment: No dose adjustment is required in patients with mild or moderate renal impairment. Caution in patients with severe (<30ml/min) renal impairment (limited data). Thyroid function should be monitored before initiation of treatment, and every 8 weeks throughout. **ECG** prior to initiating treatment and then as clinically indicated. **ECHO** at baseline for at risk patients and repeated every 6 months. Hypertension and proteinuria: BP should be well controlled prior to treatment. Monitor blood pressure (BP) every 2 weeks for the first 2 months and then before each cycle. Hypertension should be treated as needed with anti-hypertensive therapy. Patients receiving anti-hypertensive medication should be monitored for hypotension when tivozanib is either interrupted or discontinued. In the case of persistent hypertension despite use of anti-

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hypertensive therapy, the tivozanib dose should be reduced, or the treatment interrupted and re-initiated at a lower dose once BP is controlled.

Proteinuria should be checked prior to starting treatment and before each cycle. Dose reduce or interrupt treatment in patients who develop Grade 2 (> 1.0-3.4 g/24 hours) or Grade 3 (\geq 3.5 g/24 hours) proteinuria.

- Venous / arterial thromboembolic events: Use with caution in patients at risk of, or who have a
 history of arterial thromboembolic events. Use of tivozanib in patients who are at risk of VTEs,
 should be based on individual patient benefit/risk assessment.
- **Cardiac failure:** Signs or symptoms of cardiac failure should be periodically monitored throughout treatment.
- QT interval prolongation: Use with caution in patients with a history of QT interval prolongation or other relevant pre-existing cardiac disease and those receiving other medications known to increase the QT interval.
- Bleeding / wound healing: Use with caution in patients who are at risk of, or who have a history
 of bleeding, GI perforation or fistula. Temporary interruption of tivozanib therapy is
 recommended in patients undergoing major surgical procedures. The decision to resume
 tivozanib therapy after surgery should be based on clinical judgment of adequate wound healing.
- Posterior reversible encephalopathy syndrome (PRES): The safety of re-initiating tivozanib in
 patients previously experiencing PRES is not known and tivozanib should only be used with
 caution in these patients.
- Hand Foot Skin Reaction: Emollients should be initiated at first sign of hand foot skin reaction, cream containing 10% urea are recommended. Consider temporary interruption and/or reduction in treatment dose.
- **Dose modifications / interruption of treatment**: Reduce dose to 890 microgram once daily for 21 days followed by a 7 day rest period for grade 3 events and interrupt treatment for grade 4 events.
- Discontinuation of treatment should be considered in cases of persistent severe hypertension, cardiac failure events, hand foot skin reaction, posterior reversible encephalopathy syndrome, or other complications of hypertension. Discontinue if the patient develops Grade 4 proteinuria (nephrotic syndrome).
- Missed dose / vomiting: The next dose should be taken at the next scheduled time.
- Drug and food interactions: Co-administration with herbal preparations containing St. John's wort is contraindicated. The inducing effect of St John's wort may persist for at least 2 weeks after stopping St John's wort. It is recommended that concomitant administration of tivozanib with strong CYP3A4 inducers, if used, should be undertaken with caution. Moderate CYP3A4 inducers are not expected to have a clinically relevant effect on tivozanib exposure. Tivozanib inhibits the transporter protein BCRP in vitro, caution should be exercised if tivozanib is coadministered with rosuvastatin.
- Tivozanib may cause fatigue/dizziness patients should be advised to take caution when driving or operating machinery.
- For oral self-administration: refer to local Trust policy on oral anti-cancer medicines and supply Patient Information Leaflet and Macmillan information sheet.

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Repeat every 28 days

Day	Drug	Dose	Route	Administration Details
1	TIVOZANIB	1340 micrograms	РО	OD for 21 days, followed by a 7-day rest period. Can be taken with or without food. The capsules must be swallowed whole with a glass of water and must not be opened. Available as 1340mcg and 890mcg capsules.
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Day 1	Metoclopramide	10mg	РО	10mg up to 3 times a day as required. Do not take for more than 5 days continuously.
	Loperamide	2-4mg	РО	Take 4mg (2 capsules) initially, then 2mg (1 capsule) after each loose stool when required. Maximum 16mg (8 capsules) a day. Dispense 30 capsules on cycle 1 then only if specified.

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