

Abstract S9 Table 1

Case	Diagnosis	Immunosuppression Regimen	Onset of symptoms to ECMO initiation	CT DADCT (%)	Total Abnormality (%)	SOFA Score	CRP
1	Eosinophilic pneumonia; Hypereosinophilic syndrome	IVMP	30 21	100	82.5	7	344
3	Eosinophilic pneumonia	IVMP	26 12	0	80.0	9	285
10	Organising pneumonia	IVMP + CYC	52 30	10	66.8	12	226
11	Acute interstitial pneumonitis	IVMP + RTX	44 17	100	88.8	11	497
12	Anti-Jo 1 associated acute interstitial pneumonitis DD: AIP, eosinophilic pneumonia,	IVMP + CYC + RTX	42 25	10	82.1	11	350
13	Organising pneumonia	IVMP	35 19	90	91.7	13	266
Mean			38.220.7	51.7	82.0	10.5	328
NON-RESPONDERS							
2	Acute interstitial pneumonitis	IVMP + CYC	54 129	88.4	68.4	6	70
4	Idiopathic pleuropulmonary fibroelastosis	None	45 140	81.3	81.2	7	117
5	Acute Interstitial pneumonitis; Organising pneumonia	IVMP + CYC + RTX plus heart lung transplant	46 26	50	85.9	9	153
6	Unclassifiable	IVMP + CYC + RTX	20 46	100	96.7	7	66
7	Bleomycin-induced fibrosis Clinically amyopathic Dermatomyositis with acute interstitial pneumonitis	IVMP	46 29	82.5	85.8	9	111
8		IVMP + RTX	29 172	100	95.6	4	71
Mean			40 90.3	83.7	85.6	7.0	98
P-values			0.790.04	0.19	0.53	0.01	0.046

Key: IVMP: Intravenous Methylprednisolone, RTX: Rituximab, CYC: Cyclophosphamide

score ($p = 0.01$) and a lower preponderance of diffuse alveolar damage (DAD) on CT ($p = 0.19$) although there was no difference in overall extent of CT abnormality. (Table 1).

Conclusions The use of ECMO and early immunosuppression led to a 58.3% survival in a group of ILD associated SRF who would otherwise have been highly likely to die. The responders were characterised by a more acute and more inflammatory presentation. We suggest that ECMO and immunosuppression should be considered in patients with ILD and SRF who are failing mechanical ventilation.

S10 COST BURDEN OF N-ACETYLCYSTEINE (NAC) IN ADULT PATIENTS WITH IDIOPATHIC PULMONARY FIBROSIS

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Introduction and objectives New data from the US IPFNET PANTHER Study¹ has failed to demonstrate efficacy of NAC in adult IPF patients with mild to moderate disease. However, use of NAC in adults with Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (IPF) is commonplace in the UK² despite weak clinical evidence and limited support from clinical guidelines. NICE recently estimated that between 30 and 45% of patients with moderate IPF are treated with NAC monotherapy at an annual cost of £158 per patient³. We wanted to estimate the cost burden of NAC prescribing in England based on the actual acquisition cost to the NHS.

Methods We obtained the actual prices of NAC at a dose of 600 mg TDS from 11 different sources in England including IPF specialist centres, UK Medicines Information and guidance from Area Prescribing Teams and applied the average price into the NICE IPF costing template assuming 45% of moderate IPF (just over 3000 patients) patients receive NAC and 90% are still taking treatment at 52 weeks.

Results The average annual cost of NAC from 11 different sources was £675.63 (425% greater than NICE cost assumptions) with costs ranging from £144–£1078 per annum. This equates to an estimated annual cost of NAC in England of £2,070,266.

Conclusion NAC is unlicensed with a recent trial demonstrating limited benefit in treating IPF. The estimated annual cost burden of NAC to the NHS in England is very high. In light of the current financial position of the NHS more should be done to reduce the use of ineffective treatments that offer poor value for money. Physicians should re-evaluate the use of NAC in the management of IPF.

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S11 PIRFENIDONE POST-AUTHORISATION SAFETY REGISTRY (PASSPORT)–INTERIM ANALYSIS OF IPF TREATMENT

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Introduction Pirfenidone (Esbriet®) is approved for mild/moderate idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF). PASSPORT is a post-authorisation safety registry required by the European Medicine Agency.

Objective To present interim data from PASSPORT.