# THERAPEUTIC DRUG MONITORING OF VANCOMYCIN IN **ONCOLOGIC AND HAEMATOLOGIC PATIENTS: REAL-WORLD DATA**

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## **BACKGROUND AND IMPORTANCE**

**AIM AND OBJECTIVES** 

Vancomycin clearance tends to be higher in patients with neutropenia<sup>1</sup>; consequently, therapeutic drug monitoring (TDM) is highly recommended<sup>2</sup>.

assess the achievement of therapeutic pharmacokinetics/pharmacodynamics (PK/PD) target vancomycin in oncologic and haematologic patients using trough-only TDM.

### MATHERIAL AND METHODS





Oncologic and haematologic patients

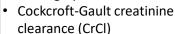
who started treatment

with vancomycin

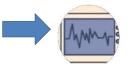
TDM used the PKS® software.

15-20 mg/kg/dose and trough levels between 10 and 20 µg/ml were considered optimal

**Data collected** Demographic variables



- Initial dosage
- Dose adjustments
- First trough level
- Duration of treatment
- Reason for withdrawal

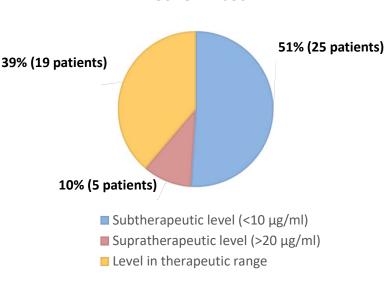


Dosing adjustment report

# **RESULTS**

	49 patients
N determinations	• 12 oncologic
	37 haematologic
	13,7±2,5mg/kg/12h
Initial mean dosage	(except for three patients who started every 24h because of renal impairment)
	• 18 patients → 14±3mg/kg/8h
After dosage adjustment	• 12 patients → 13,6±7,6mg/kg/12h
	• 19 patients → No dosage adjustment
Mean duration treatment	7±4,2 days
	Clinical improvement (n=29)
Reason for stopping treatment	Switch to a target treatment (n=10)
	Clinical deterioration (n=9)
	Nephrotoxicity (n=1)

#### **DOSAGE ADJUSTMENT**



#### **CONCLUSION AND RELEVANCE**

- ❖ More than half of the patients had subtherapeutic vancomycin levels and required antibiotic dose adjustment.
- Most patients required shorter dosing intervals rather than increased doses to reduce the incidence of nephrotoxicity.

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