

Antifungal Prophylaxis for Adult Stem Cell Transplant Patients

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Prophylaxis Recommendations			
Patient Type	First Line	Alternatives*	Comments
Autologous	Fluconazole 400 mg PO/IV daily, start on Day +1	Micafungin 50mg IV once daily	Continue through engraftment (discontinued prior to discharge)
Allogeneic	<p>Voriconazole 200 mg PO/IV Q12H, start on admission for transplant[†]</p> <p>Target voriconazole trough level >1 µg/mL for prophylaxis[^]</p> <p><u>Note</u>: if patient on posaconazole pre-transplant, continue posaconazole for prophylaxis</p>	<p>Posaconazole DR 300 mg PO/IV daily</p> <p>Target posaconazole trough level > 0.7 ug/mL for prophylaxis[^]</p> <p><u>OR</u></p> <p>Micafungin 100 mg IV daily</p>	Continue until off immunosuppression [‡] . Consider additional 30 days, depending on GVHD status

Duration of self-approval: 6 months

*Criteria for alternative uses:

- Posaconazole: intolerance/allergy to voriconazole or inability to obtain adequate voriconazole level.
- Micafungin: unable to receive azole due to QTc prolongation, drug-drug interaction, severe liver injury, or other intolerance.
- If true azole allergy, recommend ID consult.

[^]Levels to be checked at baseline (~7 days after starting). Levels may be repeated if concern for side effects or treatment failure.

[†]Patients receiving busulfan will start antifungal prophylaxis after completion of busulfan.

[‡]Immunosuppression includes calcineurin inhibitor, mTOR inhibitor, anti-thymocyte globulin, TNF α inhibitor, mycophenolate, ruxolitinib, or prednisone \geq 1 mg/kg/day (\geq 0.8 mg/kg every other day if chronic GVHD).

Acute Leukemia and MDS Antifungal Prophylaxis

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	Recommended Therapy	Comments
Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML)	<p><u>Posaconazole ER*</u> Loading dose: 300 mg IV/PO every 12 hours x2 doses Maintenance dose: 300 mg IV/PO daily</p> <p><u>Alternative:</u> Micafungin* 100 mg IV daily</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initiate 24 hours after last anthracycline dose (i.e., day 4 if receiving induction with 7+3) OR following completion of venetoclax ramp-up OR on the first day of chemotherapy in patients not receiving an anthracycline-based regimen • Continue until resolution of neutropenia (ANC >500 cells/mm³)
Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL)	<p><u>Fluconazole</u> <90 kg: 400 mg IV/PO daily ≥90 kg: 600 mg IV/PO daily</p> <p><u>Alternative:</u> Micafungin* 100 mg IV daily</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initiate on day of diagnosis • Continue until resolution of neutropenia (ANC >500 cells/mm³) • Chemotherapy drug-drug interactions (i.e., vincristine) prohibit the use of voriconazole or posaconazole
Myelodysplastic Syndrome (MDS)	<p><u>Posaconazole ER*</u> Loading dose: 300 mg IV/PO every 12 hours x2 doses Maintenance dose: 300 mg IV/PO daily</p> <p><u>Alternative:</u> Micafungin* 100 mg IV daily</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initiate once patient becomes neutropenic (ANC <1000 cells/mm³) • Continue until resolution of neutropenia (ANC >500 cells/mm³)

*Duration of Self approval: 28 days.

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