

**FARMACI CON USO CONSOLIDATO NEL TRATTAMENTO CORRELATO AI TRAPIANTI PER INDICAZIONI ANCHE DIFFERENTI DA QUELLE PREVISTE DAL PROVVEDIMENTO DI AUTORIZZAZIONE ALL'IMMISSIONE IN COMMERCIO**

Principio attivo	Estensione di indicazione relative ad usi consolidati sulla base di evidenze scientifiche presenti in letteratura
Basiliximab	<p><b>Profilassi del rigetto acuto in pazienti adulti e pediatrici sottoposti a trapianto di fegato e a trapianto isole di Langerhans.</b></p> <p><b>Profilassi del rigetto acuto in pazienti adulti sottoposti a trapianto di rene e pancreas.</b></p> <p>M. Spada et al. Randomized Trial of Basiliximab Induction versus steroid Therapy in Pediatric Liver Allograft Recipients Under Tacrolimus Immunosuppression Am. J. Transplantation 2006; 6: 1913-1921.</p> <p>S. Gruttadauria et al. A Safe Immunosuppressive Protocol in Adult to-Adult Living Related Liver Transplantation. Transplant Proc 38, 1106-1108 (2006).</p> <p>Laura Lladò et al. Immunosuppression without steroids in liver transplantation is safe and reduces infection and metabolic complications: Results from a prospective multicenter randomized study. J. Hepatol 44 /(2006) 710-718.</p> <p>D.W. Orr et al. Anti-Interleukin 2 Receptor Antibodies and Mycorphenolate Mofetil for Treatment of Steroid - Resistant Rejection in Adult Liver Transplantation. Transplant Proc 37, 4373-4379 (2005).</p> <p>R. Ganschow et al. Long.-tern results of basiliximab induction immunosuppression in paediatric liver transplants recipients. Pediatr Transplantation 2005; 9: 741-745</p> <p>M. Spada et al. An anti-interleukin 2 receptor monoclonal antibody to reduce the incidence of acute cellular rejection afetr liver transplantation. Pediatr Transplantation 2000, Vol 4., p. 62 (Abs P49).</p> <p>R. Ganschow et al. The anti-interleukin 2 receptor antodoby basiliximavb after pediatric liver transplantation: a pilot study. Pediatr Transplantation 2000, Vol. 4, p. 95 (Abs O145).</p> <p>R: Ganschow et al. First experience with basiliximab in pediatric liver graft recipients. Pediatr Transplantation 2001, Vol. 5, p. 353-358.</p>

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<p><b>Fattori di crescita dei leucociti:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>filgrastim</b></li> <li>• <b>lenograstim</b></li> </ul>	<p><b>Neutropenia (neutrofili &lt; 750/L) nei pazienti trapiantati di fegato o con diagnosi clinica di cirrosi, che presentano risposta virologica precoce alla terapia.</b></p> <p>Manns MP, et al. and the International Hepatitis Interventional Therapy Group. Peginterferon alfa-2b plus ribavirin compared with interferon alfa-2b plus ribavirin for initial treatment of chronic hepatitis C: a randomised trial. Lancet 2001;358:958-65.</p> <p>Fried MW, et al. Peg Interferon alf 2a plus Ribavirin in chronic hepatitis C virus infection. N Engl J Med 2002; 347: 975-82.</p> <p>Higashi Y, et al. Case report: agranulocytosis induced by inteferon alpha therapy for chronic hepatitis C J Gastroenterol Hepatol 1996; 11:1012-1015.</p> <p>Van Thiel DH, et al. Combination treatment of advanced HCV associated liver disease with interferon and G-CSF. Hepatogastroenterology 1995; 42:907-12</p> <p>Fukuda A, et al. Effects of interferon alpha on peripheral neutrophil counts and serum granulocyte colony-stimulating factor for the treatment of chronic hepatitis C Cell Mol Ther 2000; 6:149-154.</p> <p>Carreno V, et al. Randomized controlled trial of recombinant human granulocyte-macrophage colony-stimulating factor for the treatment of chronic hepatitis C Cytokine 2000; 12: 165-70.</p> <p>Shiffman ML, et al. Use of granulocyte macrophage colony stimulating factor alone or in combination with interferon-alpha-2b for treatment of chronic hepatitis C J Hepatol 1998; 28: 382-89.</p> <p>National Institutes of health consensus development conference statement: Management of hepatitis C: 2002 – June 10-12 2002. Hepatology 2002; 36: S3-S20.</p> <p><b>Neutropenia nei pazienti trapiantati di rene</b></p> <p>Hurst FP et al. Poor outcomes associated with neutropenia after kidney transplantation: analysis of United States Renal Data System. Transplantation. 2011 Jul 15;92(1):36-40.</p> <p>Zafrani L, et al. Incidence, risk factors and clinical consequences of neutropenia following kidney transplantation: a</p>

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