



CARE Team

Client:	John and Sue Belkum
Animal Patient:	Tesla
Referring Veterinarian:	Dr. Bill Snyder, ABC Animal Clinic
Examining Veterinary Oncologist:	Dr. Stephanie Correa, DVM, DACVIM (Oncology)

Observations & History

Tesla is a 12-year-old female, spayed Labrador presenting for an oncology consultation for recently diagnosed multicentric lymphoma. History of a mammary mass removed 3 years ago.

Existing Medications

Zyrtec (daily)
Pepcid (daily)
Metronidazole PRN (daily)

Prior Procedures/Tests/Images

10/16/20 - CBC/Chemistry: Increased BUN 53, Creatinine 1.7
10/19/20 - Cytology of Inguinal lymph node: Lymphoma

Expert Diagnosis

Large Cell Lymphosarcoma (presumed B-cell, but pending Flow Cytometry results), Stage III

Diagnosis evidenced by clinical signs, lymph node diagnostics (cytology), and presence of widespread peripheral node enlargement. Results of Flow Cytometry Test will determine lymphoma sub-type (B vs T cell) and assess for unique cellular markers which will provide further prognostic information.

Diagnostic Procedures & Lab Services

10/26/20 – Immune-Phenotyping/Flow Cytometry: Live cancer cells removed from lymph node to test for markers; results pending.
10/26/20 – Thoracic Radiographs: No evidence of pulmonary nodules, pleural fluid, or enlarged thoracic lymph nodes.
10/26/20 – Abdominal Ultrasound: No evidence of enlargement of liver or spleen. Normal abdominal lymph nodes.

Treatment Options

- Treatment:** Chemical Therapy - CHOP for B-cell Lymphoma (multi-agent)
Description: Systemic, non-targeted drug treatment to induce remission or slow cancer recurrence and/or spread.
Prognosis: 90% positive response. Estimated 50% chance of at least 1 yr. remission; 25% chance of at least 2 yr. remission.
Schedule: 16 treatments over 19 wks. (1/wk. for 4 wks., 1 week off, repeat cycle); 1 hr. visits; any ACCC location.
Estimated Total Cost: \$7,000-\$7,500. See attached.
- Treatment:** Chemical Therapy - Adriamycin Protocol for B-cell Lymphoma (single-agent)
Description: Systemic, non-targeted drug treatment to induce remission or slow cancer recurrence and/or spread.
Prognosis: 90% positive response. Estimated 50% chance of at least 9 mo. remission; 5% chance of at least 2 yr. remission.
Schedule: 5 treatments over 15 wks. (1/every 3 wks.); 1 hr. visits; any ACCC location.
Estimated Total Cost: \$3,600 - \$4,000. See attached.



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Treatment Comparison & Informed Decision

Your Veterinary Oncologist has spent time with you today to discuss your options and answer your questions.

We will send a detailed summary of your pet's visit to your primary care veterinarian so that all members of your CARE Team are kept fully informed. If you or your veterinarian have any further questions, please feel free to call us.

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Care Plan

Tesla's family has elected to proceed with induction treatment and will likely pursue Treatment Option 1.

Tesla was given an L-asparaginase injection today.

Tesla may experience some transient gastrointestinal upset like mild vomiting, diarrhea, or loss of appetite over the next 1-5 days. Please use the medications provided for chemotherapy related side effects if they are needed. These side effects may never occur, but if she vomits more than two times in 24 hours or misses two meals in a row, please call our office for further direction. There is also a risk of bone marrow suppression with Chemotherapy. If your pet becomes excessively lethargic approximately 6 – 10 days after chemotherapy treatment, the cell counts may be low. Please call our office for further direction.

Tesla has an appointment in one week for CBC blood test and choice of chemotherapy course based upon Flow Cytometry results.

Medications

1. Prednisone 20 mg. #30. Give 1.5 tablets by mouth once daily for 7 days, then 1 tablet daily for 7 days, then ½ tablet daily until done.