# CLINICAL PROFILES IN PRIMARY IMMUNODEFICIENCY DISEASE (PIDD)\*



\* Cases are hypothetical. Images and descriptions are for illustrative purposes only.

## Indication

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# IS YOUR PATIENT WITH PIDD APPROPRIATE FOR TREATMENT WITH ASCENIV™?

PATIENTS WITH A HISTORY OF RESPIRATORY INFECTION MAY BE AT INCREASED RISK.<sup>1</sup> WHAT IS YOUR TREATMENT APPROACH FOR THESE PATIENTS?



### Annabelle S. **Age** 19

Gender Female **Occupation** College student Hobbies Environmental science

#### CHIEF COMPLAINT/ PRESENTATION

- High fever
- Fatique, general weakness
- Rapid, shallow, irregular breathing

#### PATIENT HISTORY

- At age 5 years, low serum Ig was documented but no intervention
- Initiated standard IVIG therapy at age 7
- Hospitalized twice in 24 months for pneumonia, with average of length of 7 days
- Recurrent otitis media, sinusitis, and two hospitalized episodes of pneumonia over the course of three years

#### CONDITION

Common variable immunodeficiency (CVID) requiring hospitalizations due to recurrent bacterial infection in lower respiratory tract

#### PHYSICAL EXAM

- Temperature: 102°F
- HR: 136 bpm
- BP: 96/70
- RR: 30 breaths/minute
- O<sub>2</sub> saturation: 90% on room air
- Crepitation heard in right lung base

#### LABS/ IMAGING

- Pan culture of sera and nasopharyngeal swab
- WBC: 12.4 x 103/uL
- IgG: 0.55 g/L (range 7.51 15.60)
- Radiograph reveals asymmetric opacities and fluid on right middle lobe

Source: https://www.medicalimages.com/stock-photo-chest-x-ray-frontal-view pneumonia-in-the-base-of-the-right-lung-in-a-female-patient-image9258622.html



# Kara W.

**Age** 35 Gender Female Married **Occupation** Yoga instructor Hobbies Outdoors and hiking

#### CHIEF COMPLAINT/ PRESENTATION

- Periods of fatique
- Recurrent viral infections and bronchiectasis
- Fever, cough, dehydration, and poor appetite
- Respiratory distress/difficulty breathing

#### PATIENT HISTORY

- Admitted to ICU for acute LRTI and received broad-spectrum prophylactic antibiotics and standard IVIG
- Culture positive for RSV
- After 10 days in the ICU, the patient developed severe hypoxemia and respiratory acidosis, requiring mechanical ventilation

#### PHYSICAL EXAM

- Temperature: 103.1°F
- HR: 120 bpm
- BP: 90/60
- RR: 30 breaths/minute
- O, saturation: 87% room air
- PaCO<sub>a</sub>: 35 mmHg

#### LABS/ IMAGING

- WBC: 11.2 x 103/uL
- IgG: 0.374 g/L
- Radiograph reveals asymmetric, bilateral patchy opacities

Source: https://www.medicalimages.com/stock-photo-x-ray-of-the-chest-frontal-view showing-a-respiratory-syncytial-virus-rsy-infection-in-a-five-image15698468 html

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#### **Adverse Reactions**

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CONDITION

# respiratory infection

# **PIDD** and history of recurrent



# Richard A.

Age 54 Gender Male Occupation Computer engineer Married Hobbies Loves his fantasy football league

#### CHIEF COMPLAINT/ PRESENTATION

- Respiratory distress: difficulty breathing; persistent productive cough
- Referred to regional hospital for a surgical consultation for a lobectomy following a diagnosis of bronchiectasis
- Confirmed bronchiectasis; continued deterioration in pulmonary function measured by PFTs
- Admitted and placed on broad-spectrum antibiotics
- Hospital-acquired pneumonia from *Streptococcus pneumoniae*

#### PATIENT HISTORY

- Recurrent URTIs and LRTIs
- Recurrent seasonal bacterial infections despite IVIG dose increases and prophylactic antibiotics
- Hospitalized with pneumonia twice in the past 4 years; discharged on prophylaxis for gram-negative pulmonary infection antibiotics and standard IVIG
- Development of hypotension and respiratory failure; placed on NRB at 15 LPM

#### CONDITION

Diagnosed with PIDD in young adulthood; history of bronchiectasis and recurrent respiratory tract infections

#### PHYSICAL EXAM

- Temperature: 99.2°F
- HR: 110 bpm
- BP: 135/108
- RR: 25 breaths/minute
- 0, saturation: 92% room air
- Pa0<sub>2</sub>: 70 mmHg

#### LABS/ IMAGING

- Pan culture of sera negative, sputum nasopharyngeal swab, and stool
- WBC: 11.11 x 10<sup>3</sup>/uL 81.3% lymphocytes
- Protein electrophoresis: decreased gamma fraction confirmed by analysis of immunoglobulins

PIDD since young adulthood; bronchiectasis

and recurrent respiratory tract infections

- IgG: 0.68 g/L (range 7.51 15.60)
- Chest CT scan revealed interstitial pneumonia with bronchiectasis
- Nodular lesions with surrounding density and thickened widened bronchioli
- Enlarged axillary, mediastinal and hilar lymphadenopathies



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# Benjamin T.

Age 66 Gender Male Divorced Occupation Retired Hobbies Fishing with his two boys

#### CHIEF COMPLAINT/ PRESENTATION

- Fever
- Respiratory distress

#### PATIENT HISTORY

- 20-yr history of hypogammaglobulinemia
- Receiving standard IVIG prophylactic
- Recurrent bacterial and viral infections despite IVIG dose increases and prophylactic antibiotics
- Hospitalized twice over last year, received broad-spectrum antibiotics

#### PHYSICAL EXAM

CONDITION

- Body temperature: 102.2°F
- HR: 125 bpm
- BP: 90/65
- RR: 30 breaths/minute
- 0, saturation: 88%
- Pa0,: 65 mmHg

#### LABS/ IMAGING

- Chest CT scan revealed interstitial pneumonia with bronchiectasis, consistent with pneumonia of unknown etiology
- On Day 3, all cultures were negative except NP swab, which was positive for RSV



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#### Contraindications

ASCENIV is contraindicated in:

• Patients who have had an anaphylactic or severe systemic reaction to the administration of human immune globulin.

• IgA-deficiency patients with antibodies to IgA and a history of hypersensitivity.

#### Warnings and Precautions

Severe hypersensitivity reactions may occur with IGIV products, including ASCENIV. In case of hypersensitivity, discontinue ASCENIV infusion immediately and institute appropriate treatment. Patients with known antibodies to IgA may have a greater risk of developing potentially severe hypersensitivity and anaphylactic reactions.

Thrombosis may occur following treatment with immunoglobulin products and in the absence of known risk factors. Consider baseline assessment of blood viscosity in patients at risk for hyperviscosity and ensure adequate hydration before administration. For patients at risk of thrombosis, administer ASCENIV at the minimum dose and infusion rate practicable. Monitor for signs and symptoms of thrombosis and assess blood viscosity in patients at risk for hyperviscosity.

Acute renal dysfunction/failure, osmotic nephrosis, and death may occur upon use of human IGIV products. Ensure that patients are not volume depleted before administering ASCENIV. Periodic monitoring of renal function and urine output is particularly important in patients judged to be at increased risk of developing acute renal failure. Assess renal function, including measurement of blood urea nitrogen (BUN) and serum creatinine, before the initial infusion of ASCENIV and at appropriate intervals thereafter. Discontinue ASCENIV if renal function deteriorates. In at risk patients, administer ASCENIV at the minimum infusion rate practicable.

Hyperproteinemia, increased serum viscosity, and hyponatremia or pseudohyponatremia may occur in patients receiving IGIV treatment, including ASCENIV. It is critical to clinically distinguish true hyponatremia from a pseudohyponatremia that is associated with or causally related to hyperproteinemia. Treatment aimed at decreasing serum free water in patients with pseudohyponatremia may lead to volume depletion, a further increase in serum viscosity, and a possible predisposition to thrombotic events.

Aseptic meningitis syndrome (AMS) may occur with IGIV treatments, including ASCENIV. AMS usually begins within several hours to 2 days following IGIV treatment. AMS may occur more frequently in association with high doses (2 g/kg) and/or rapid infusion of IGIV. Conduct a thorough neurological examination on patients exhibiting signs and symptoms of AMS, including cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) studies, to rule out other causes of meningitis.

IGIV products, including ASCENIV, may contain blood group antibodies that can act as hemolysins and induce in vivo coating of red blood cells (RBCs) with immunoglobulin, causing a positive direct antiglobulin reaction and hemolysis. Monitor patients for clinical signs and symptoms of hemolysis, including appropriate confirmatory laboratory testing.

Non-cardiogenic pulmonary edema may occur with IV administered IG. Monitor patients for pulmonary adverse reactions. If suspected, perform appropriate tests for presence of anti-neutrophil in both product and patient serum. May be managed using oxygen therapy with adequate ventilatory support.

Because ASCENIV is made from human blood, it may carry a risk of transmitting infectious agents, e.g., viruses, the variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (vCJD) and theoretically, the Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (CJD) agent. All infections suspected by a physician to possibly have been transmitted by this product should be reported to ADMA Biologics at **(1-800-458-4244)**.

After infusion of immunoglobulin, the transitory rise of the various passively transferred antibodies in the patient's blood may yield positive serological testing results, with the potential for misleading interpretation. Passive transmission of antibodies to erythrocyte antigens (e.g., A, B, and D) may cause a positive direct or indirect antiglobulin (Coombs') test.

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