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Leukemia - Chronic T-Cell Lymphocytic - Latest Research [1]

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ON THIS PAGE: You will read about the scientific research being done now to learn more about this T-cell leukemia and how to treat it. To see other pages, use the menu on the side of your screen.

Doctors are working to learn more about T-cell leukemia, ways to prevent it, how to best treat it, and how to provide the best care to people diagnosed with this disease. The following areas of research may include new options for patients through clinical trials. Always talk with your doctor about the diagnostic and treatment options best for you.

New treatment combinations. New treatments are being tested in clinical trials, including new combinations of chemotherapy and immunotherapy. For ATLL, several new treatments are being studied including bortezomib (Velcade), arsenic trioxide (Trisenox), and daclizumab (Zenapax), which is an anti-IL2 antibody. Romidepsin is also being researched for patients with mycosis fungoides.

Supportive care. Clinical trials are underway to find better ways of reducing symptoms and side effects of current T-cell leukemia treatments in order to improve patients? comfort and quality of life.

Looking for More About the Latest Research?

If you would like additional information about the latest areas of research regarding leukemia, explore these related items that take you outside of this guide:

- To find clinical trials specific to your diagnosis, talk with your doctor or search online clinical trial databases now [3].
- Review research on CLL announced at the 2014 [4] and 2013 [5] ASCO Annual Meetings.
- Visit ASCO?s *CancerProgress.Net* [6] website to learn more about the historical pace of research for leukemia. Please note this link takes you to a separate ASCO website.

The next section addresses how to cope with the symptoms of the disease or the side effects of its treatment. Use the menu on the side of your screen to select Coping with Side Effects, or you can select another section, to continue reading this guide.

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