

### DIAGNOSIS

#### ESSENTIAL:

- Review of all slides with at least one paraffin block representative of the tumor should be done by a pathologist with expertise in the diagnosis of primary cutaneous B-cell lymphoma. Rebiopsy if consult material is nondiagnostic.
- Histopathology review of adequate biopsy (punch, incisional, excisional).
- Adequate immunophenotyping to establish diagnosis<sup>b,c</sup>
  - ▶ IHC panel: CD20, CD3, CD5, CD10, BCL2, BCL6, IRF4/MUM1

#### USEFUL IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES:

- Additional immunohistochemical studies to establish lymphoma subtype
  - ▶ IHC panel: Ki-67, CD43, CD21, CD23
  - ▶ Cyclin D1, kappa/lambda
  - ▶ Assessment of IgM and IgD expression (to further help in distinguishing PC-DLBCL, leg type from PCFCL)
- Cytogenetics or FISH: t(14;18)
- If adequate biopsy material available, flow cytometry or PCR can be useful in determining B-cell clonality.

### WORKUP

#### ESSENTIAL:<sup>d</sup>

- History and physical exam, including complete skin exam
- CBC, differential, comprehensive metabolic panel
- LDH
- Hepatitis B testing<sup>e</sup> if rituximab considered
- Contrast-enhanced chest/abdominal/pelvic CT and/or PET-CT scan
- Bone marrow biopsy, if PC-DLBCL, Leg type
- Pregnancy testing in women of child-bearing age (if chemotherapy planned)

#### USEFUL IN SELECTED CASES:

- Bone marrow biopsy
  - ▶ Consider if PCFCL
  - ▶ Optional if PCMZL
- Peripheral blood flow cytometry, if CBC demonstrates lymphocytosis
- SPEP/quantitative immunoglobulins for PCMZL

[See Initial Therapy for Primary Cutaneous Marginal Zone Lymphoma \(CUTB-2\)](#)

[See Initial Therapy for Primary Cutaneous Follicle Center Lymphoma \(CUTB-2\)](#)

[See Initial Therapy for Primary Cutaneous Diffuse Large B-cell Lymphoma, Leg Type \(CUTB-3\)](#)

PCMZL: Primary Cutaneous Marginal Zone Lymphoma  
PCFCL: Primary Cutaneous Follicle Center Lymphoma  
PC-DLBCL, Leg type: Primary Cutaneous Diffuse Large B-cell Lymphoma, Leg type

**NOTE:** A germinal (or follicle) center phenotype and large cells in a skin lesion is *not* equivalent to DLBCL but is consistent with primary cutaneous germinal/follicle center lymphoma.

<sup>a</sup>For non-cutaneous, [see Nongastric MALT Lymphoma \(NGMLT-1\)](#).

<sup>b</sup>[See Use of Immunophenotyping/Genetic Testing in Differential Diagnosis of Mature B-Cell and NK/T-Cell Neoplasms \(NHODG-A\)](#).

<sup>c</sup>Typical immunophenotype: **PC-DLBCL**: CD20+ BCL2+ CD10- BCL6+/- IRF4/MUM1+/- ; **PCFCL**: CD20+ BCL2- CD10-/+ BCL6+ IRF4/MUM1-; **PCMZL**: CD20+ BCL2+/- CD10- BCL6- IRF4/MUM1+/- cytoplasmic kappa+ or lambda+ in about 40%.

<sup>d</sup>Rule out drug-induced cutaneous lymphoid hyperplasia.

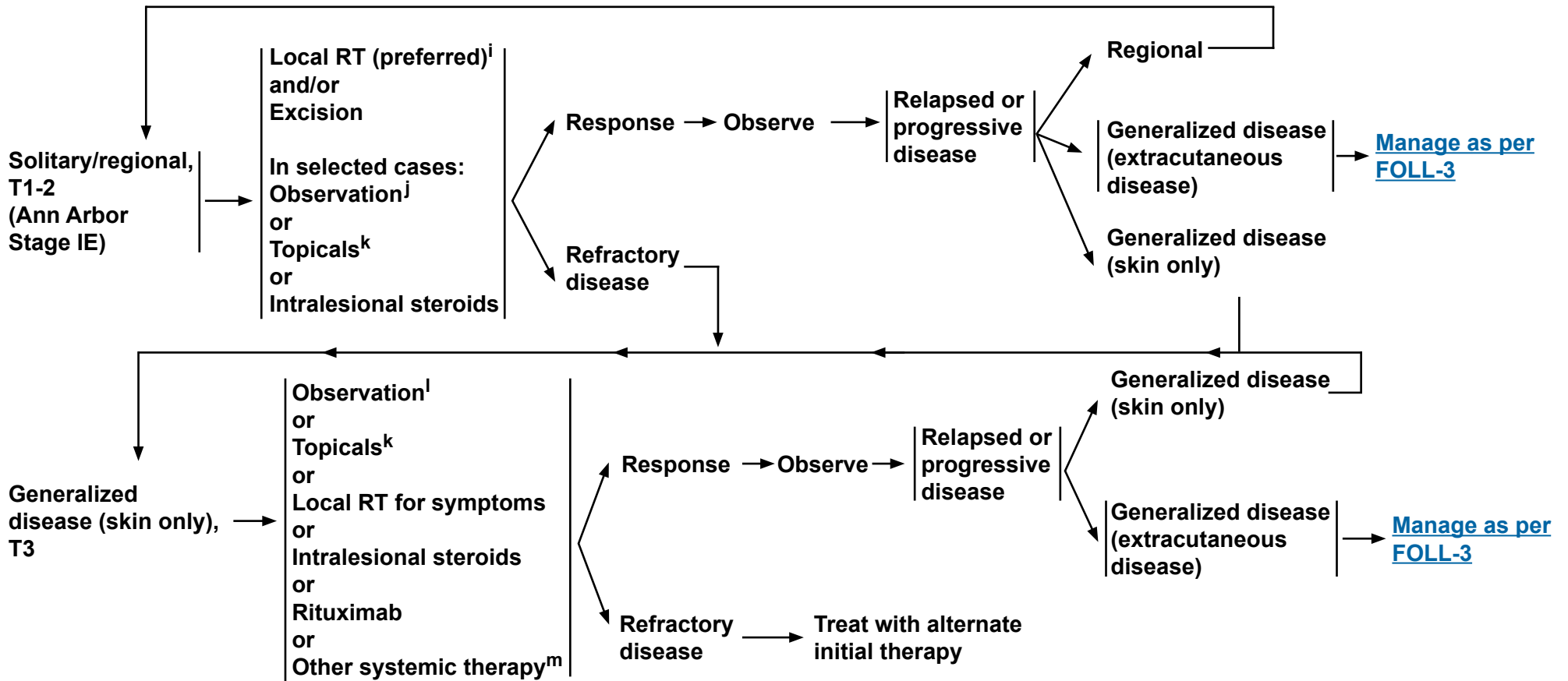
<sup>e</sup>Hepatitis B testing is indicated because of the risk of reactivation with immunotherapy + chemotherapy. Tests include hepatitis B surface antigen and core antibody for a patient with no risk factors. For patients with risk factors or previous history of hepatitis B, add e-antigen. If positive, check viral load and consult with gastroenterologist.

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**PRIMARY CUTANEOUS MARGINAL ZONE LYMPHOMA OR FOLLICLE CENTER LYMPHOMA<sup>f</sup>**  
**STAGE<sup>g</sup> INITIAL THERAPY<sup>h</sup>**

See monoclonal antibody and viral reactivation ([NHODG-B](#))



**Extracutaneous disease** → [Manage as per FOLL-3](#)

<sup>f</sup>Unless clinically indicated, additional imaging studies during the course of treatment are not needed.

<sup>g</sup>See [TNM Classification of Cutaneous Lymphoma other than MF/SS \(CUTB-A\)](#).

<sup>h</sup>See [Treatment References \(CUTB-B\)](#).

<sup>i</sup>Local RT is the preferred initial treatment, but not necessarily the preferred treatment for relapse.

<sup>j</sup>When RT or surgical treatment is neither feasible nor desired.

<sup>k</sup>There are case reports showing efficacy of topicals, which include steroids, imiquimod, nitrogen mustard, and bexarotene.

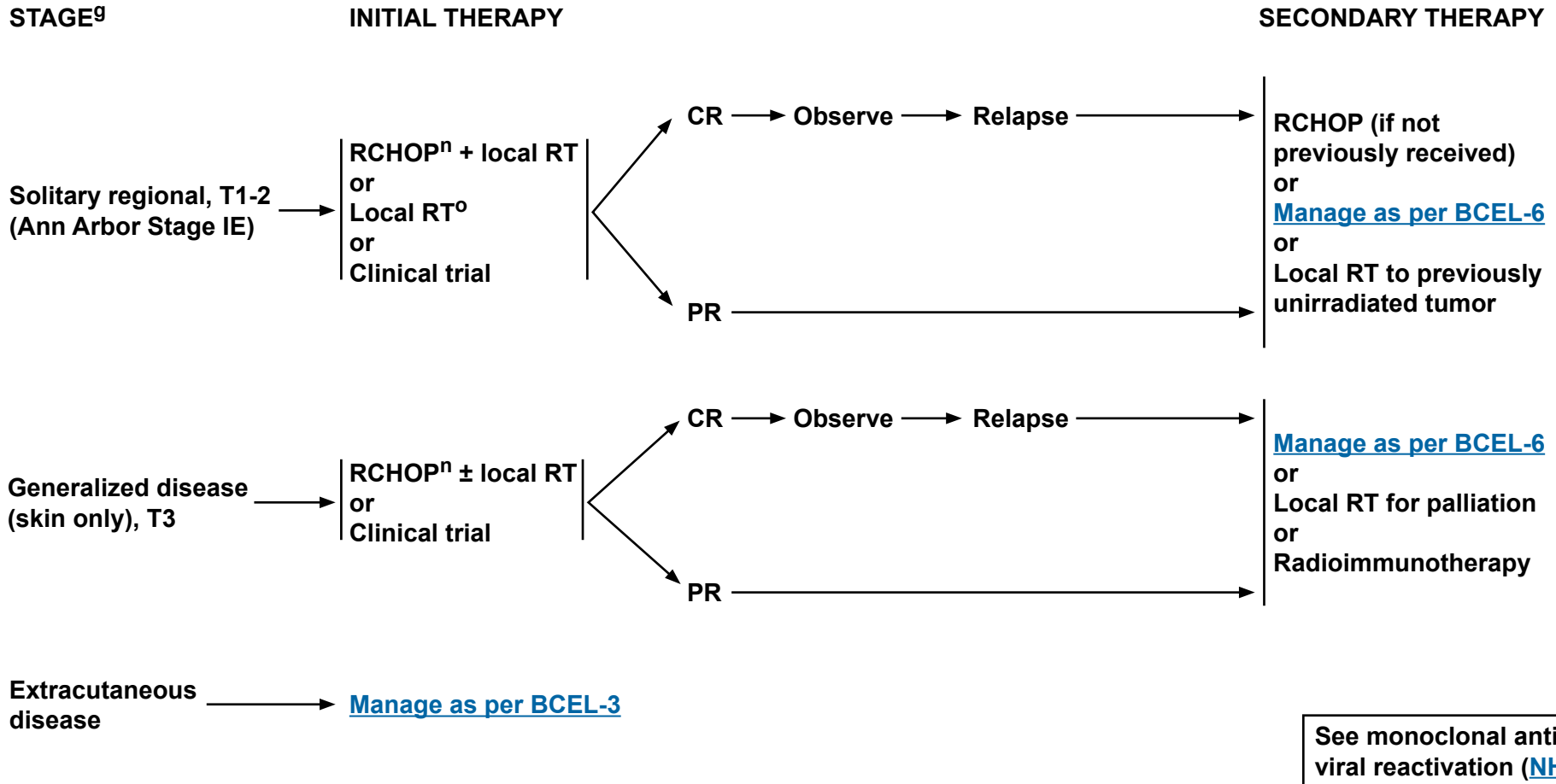
<sup>l</sup>Considered appropriate in asymptomatic patients.

<sup>m</sup>In rare circumstances for very extensive or refractory disease, other combination chemotherapy regimens listed in [FOLL-B](#) are used.

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**PRIMARY CUTANEOUS DIFFUSE LARGE B-CELL LYMPHOMA, LEG TYPE**



<sup>g</sup>See [TNM Classification of Cutaneous Lymphoma other than MF/SS \(CUTB-A\)](#).

<sup>n</sup>For patients who cannot tolerate anthracyclines, see [BCEL-C](#) for regimens for patients with poor left ventricular function.

<sup>o</sup>For patients not able to tolerate chemotherapy.

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### TNM CLASSIFICATION OF CUTANEOUS LYMPHOMA OTHER THAN MF/SS<sup>a,b</sup>

<b>T</b>	<p><b>T1</b> Solitary skin involvement T1a: a solitary lesion &lt;5 cm diameter T1b: a solitary &gt;5 cm diameter</p> <p><b>T2</b> Regional skin involvement: multiple lesions limited to 1 body region or 2 contiguous body regions<sup>b</sup> T2a: all-disease-encompassing in a &lt;15-cm-diameter circular area T2b: all-disease-encompassing in a &gt;15- and &lt;30-cm-diameter circular area T2c: all-disease-encompassing in a &gt;30-cm-diameter circular area</p> <p><b>T3</b> Generalized skin involvement T3a: multiple lesions involving 2 noncontiguous body regions<sup>b</sup> T3b: multiple lesions involving ≥3 body regions<sup>b</sup></p>
<b>N</b>	<p><b>N0</b> No clinical or pathologic lymph node involvement</p> <p><b>N1</b> Involvement of 1 peripheral lymph node region<sup>c</sup> that drains an area of current or prior skin involvement</p> <p><b>N2</b> Involvement of 2 or more peripheral lymph node regions<sup>c</sup> or involvement of any lymph node region that does not drain an area of current or prior skin involvement</p> <p><b>N3</b> Involvement of central lymph nodes</p>
<b>M</b>	<p><b>M0</b> No evidence of extracutaneous non-lymph node disease</p> <p><b>M1</b> Extracutaneous non-lymph node disease present</p>

<sup>a</sup>This work was originally published in Blood. Kim YH, Willemze R, Pimpinell Ni, et al, for the ISCL and the EORTC. TNM classification system for primary cutaneous lymphomas other than mycosis fungoides and Sézary syndrome: A proposal of the International Society for Cutaneous Lymphomas (ISCL) and the Cutaneous Lymphoma Task Force of the European Organization of Research and Treatment of Cancer (EORTC) Blood 2007;110:479-484. © The American Society of Hematology.

<sup>b</sup>For definition of body regions, [see Body Regions for the Designation of T \(Skin Involvement\) Category \(CUTB-A 2 of 2\)](#).

<sup>c</sup>Definition of lymph node regions is consistent with the Ann Arbor system: Peripheral sites: antecubital, cervical, supraclavicular, axillary, inguinal-femoral, and popliteal. Central sites: mediastinal, pulmonary hilar, paraortic, and iliac.

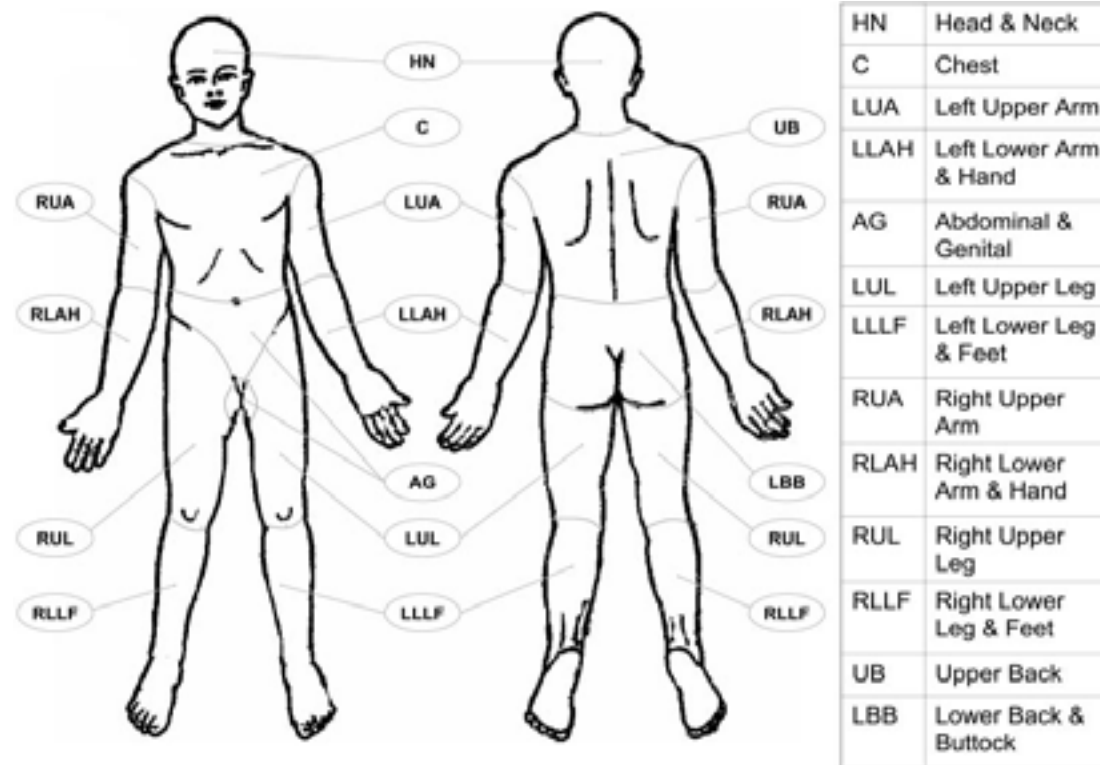
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### BODY REGIONS FOR THE DESIGNATION OF T (SKIN INVOLVEMENT) CATEGORY<sup>a,b,c</sup>



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<sup>b</sup>Left and right extremities are assessed as separate body regions. The designation of these body regions are based on regional lymph node drainage patterns.

<sup>c</sup>Definition of body regions: Head and neck: inferior border—superior border of clavicles, T1 spinous process. Chest: superior border—superior border of clavicles; inferior border—inferior margin of rib cage; lateral borders—midaxillary lines, glenohumeral joints (inclusive of axillae). Abdomen/genital: superior border—inferior margin of rib cage; inferior border—inguinal folds, anterior perineum; lateral borders—mid-axillary lines. Upper back: superior border—T1 spinous process; inferior border—inferior margin of rib cage; lateral borders—mid-axillary lines. Lower back/buttocks: superior border—inferior margin of rib cage; inferior border—inferior gluteal fold, anterior perineum (inclusive of perineum); lateral borders—midaxillary lines. Each upper arm: superior borders—glenohumeral joints (exclusive of axillae); inferior borders—ulnar/radial-humeral (elbow) joint. Each lower arm/hand: superior borders—ulnar/radial-humeral (elbow) joint. Each upper leg (thigh): superior borders—inguinal folds, inferior gluteal folds; inferior borders—mid-patellae, midpopliteal fossae. Each lower leg/foot: superior borders—mid-patellae, mid-popliteal fossae.

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