

AML TREATMENT RESPONSES: QUESTIONS FOR YOUR DOCTOR

At the end of the first course of treatment for acute myeloid leukaemia (AML), tests will be done to see how the body is responding to treatment and what the next steps may be.¹ Results will be defined into either 'complete remission', a 'partial response' or it may be that the AML is deemed 'active/refractory'.¹

Use the following questions to understand how your body is responding.



COMPLETE REMISSION:

What results would suggest I'm in complete remission?

Does this mean the AML has been cured?

If I'm in complete remission, what are the next steps?

What testing/monitoring is involved while I am in remission?

What is my likelihood of relapsing?

What symptoms may indicate relapse?

What resources are available to me to help manage any anxiety I may experience about relapsing?

PARTIAL RESPONSE:

What results would suggest I've had a partial response?

What were my blood and bone marrow results?

How is a partial response different to complete remission?

PARTIAL RESPONSE (CONTINUED):

What are my treatment options?

What does a partial response mean for my treatment?

What happens if I'm not in complete remission after more treatment?

What are the next steps, following a partial response?

What symptoms may indicate relapse?

Does this mean I will have to spend more time/stay in hospital?

AML IS 'ACTIVE':

How do doctors confirm the diagnosis?

What is relapsed AML?

What test results would indicate my AML is active?

What resources are available for me to help tell my family that my AML has returned or has not responded to treatment?

What is the prognosis of relapsed AML?

What testing/monitoring is involved while my AML is still active?

YOUR DOCTOR OR NURSE IS THERE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE.
FOR MORE SUPPORT, VISIT AMLCARE.CO.UK OR AMLCARE.IE

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