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Celecoxib Combined with Thalidomide in the Treatment of Refractory Neoplastic Fever in Advanced Cholangiocarcinoma: A Case Report

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Neoplastic fever, a common symptom of tumors, can be mainly controlled by nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory (NSAIDs) and corticosteroids. However, there is no standard treatment guideline for refractory neoplastic fever, which cannot be controlled by the medicines mentioned above. This report presents a case of advanced cholangiocarcinoma with persistent fever lasting 3 weeks. After ineffective treatment with various antibiotics, ibuprofen, and corticosteroids, the body temperature returned to normal after a 48-hour treatment with celecoxib + thalidomide. Finally, the overall survival (OS) of the patient reached 8 months with radiotherapy and chemotherapy.

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