Clinical Policy: Dexrazoxane (Totect)

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Line of Business: Medicaid

Coding Implications
Revision Log

See Important Reminder at the end of this policy for important regulatory and legal information.

****Please note: This policy is for medical benefit****

Description

Dexrazoxane is a cytoprotective agent.

FDA Approved Indications

Dexrazoxane is indicated for:

- Reducing the incidence and severity of cardiomyopathy associated with doxorubicin administration in women with metastatic breast cancer who have received a cumulative doxorubicin dose of 300 mg/m^2 and who will continue to receive doxorubicin therapy to maintain tumor control. Do not use Totect with doxorubicin initiation.
- Treatment of extravasation resulting from intravenous anthracycline chemotherapy.

Policy/Criteria

Provider must submit documentation (such as office chart notes, lab results or other clinical information) supporting that member has met all approval criteria.

It is the policy of Louisiana Healthcare Connections that Totect is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria

A. Doxorubicin-Induced Cardiomyopathy (must meet all)**:**

1. Prescribed to reduce the incidence or severity of cardiomyopathy associated with doxorubicin;
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist or hematologist;
3. One of the following (a or b):
   a. Age ≥ 18 years, and member has received a cumulative doxorubicin dose of ≥ 300 mg/m^2;
   b. Prescribed for one of the following NCCN 2A or higher supported indications (i-vi):
      i. Pediatric acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL) and one of the following (1 or 2):
         1. Ph-negative ALL: as part of the DFCI ALL Protocol 11-001 or 16-001 in members with an anticipated cumulative anthracycline dose ≥ 250 mg/m^2 of doxorubicin equivalent or radiation with potential impact to the heart (e.g., radiation to chest, abdomen, spine, or total body irradiation);

2. Relapsed or refractory Ph-positive ALL: in combination with dasatinib (Sprycel®) or imatinib (Gleevec®) as part of COG AALL1331 regimen with an anticipated cumulative anthracycline dose ≥ 250 mg/m^2 of doxorubicin equivalent or radiation with potential impact to the heart (e.g., radiation to chest, abdomen, spine, or total body irradiation);

ii. Pediatric aggressive mature B-cell lymphomas;
iii. Pediatric Hodgkin lymphoma;
iv. Wilms Tumor (nephroblastoma), and member has a planned cumulative dose of doxorubicin ≥ 150 mg/m^2;
v. Neuroblastoma;
vi. Soft tissue sarcoma, and member has a planned cumulative dose of doxorubicin ≥ 250 mg/m^2;

4. Will be used concurrently with doxorubicin;
5. Request meets one of the following (a or b):*
   a. Dose does not exceed 10 times the dose of doxorubicin (e.g., dexrazoxane 500 mg/m^2 for member receiving doxorubicin 50 mg/m^2) given with each doxorubicin dose;
   b. Dose is supported by practice guidelines or peer-reviewed literature for the relevant off-label use (*prescriber must submit supporting evidence*).

**Prescribed regimen must be FDA-approved or recommended by NCCN*

Approval duration: 12 months or duration of doxorubicin therapy, whichever is less

B. Anthracycline-Induced Extravasation (off-label) (must meet all)**:**
1. Diagnosis of anthracycline-induced extravasation;
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist;
3. Age ≥ 18 years;
4. Dose does not exceed 2,000 mg per day on days 1 and 2, and 1,000 mg on day 3.

Approval duration: 3 days

C. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2)**:**
1. If this drug has recently (within the last 6 months) undergone a label change (e.g., newly approved indication, age expansion, new dosing regimen) that is not yet reflected in this policy, refer to LA.PMN.255
2. If the requested use (e.g., diagnosis, age, dosing regimen)is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized) AND criterion 1 above does not apply, refer to off-label use policy LA.PMN.53.

II. Continued Therapy

A. Doxorubicin-Induced Cardiomyopathy (must meet all)**:**

1. Currently receiving medication via Louisiana Healthcare Connections benefit or member has previously met initial approval criteria;
2. Member continues to receive doxorubicin;
3. Member is responding positively to therapy;
4. Request meets one of the following (a or b):*
   a. Dose does not exceed 10 times the dose of doxorubicin (e.g., dexrazoxane 500 mg/m^2 for member receiving doxorubicin 50 mg/m^2) given with each doxorubicin dose;
   b. Dose is supported by practice guidelines or peer-reviewed literature for the relevant off-label use (*prescriber must submit supporting evidence*).

**Prescribed regimen must be FDA-approved or recommended by NCCN*

Approval duration: 12 months or duration of doxorubicin therapy, whichever is less

B. Anthracycline-Induced Extravasation (off-label)

1. Re-authorization is not permitted. Member must meet the initial approval criteria.

Approval duration: Not applicable

C. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2)**:**

1. If this drug has recently (within the last 6 months) undergone a label change (e.g., newly approved indication, age expansion, new dosing regimen) that is not yet reflected in this policy, refer to LA.PMN.255
2. If the requested use (e.g., diagnosis, age, dosing regimen) is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized) AND criterion 1 above does not apply, refer to off-label use policy LA.PMN.53

III. Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized:

A. Non-FDA approved indications, which are not addressed in this policy, unless there is sufficient documentation of efficacy and safety according to the off label use policy – LA.PMN.53

IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key
ALL: acute lymphoblastic leukemia
FDA: Food and Drug Administration

Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives
Not applicable

Appendix C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings
None reported

V. Dosage and Administration

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
Doxorubicin-induced cardiomyopathy	Give dexrazoxane at a ratio of 10:1 with the doxorubicin dose as an IV infusion over 15 minutes and within 30 minutes before doxorubicin is given.	Not applicable

VI. Product Availability

Single-dose vial, IV powder for solution: 500 mg

VII. References

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Coding Implications

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HCPCS Codes	Description
J1190	Injection, dexrazoxane hydrochloride, per 250 mg

Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals	Date	LDH Approval Date
Converted corporate to local policy.	04.22	07.23.22
Per NCCN added off-label supported uses in patients under 18 years of age in Ph-negative ALL, aggressive mature B-cell lymphomas, Hodgkin lymphoma, or Wilms Tumor (nephroblastoma); removed appendix D that provided references to studies with inconclusive doxorubicin thresholds for use in pediatric patients as such use is supported by NCCN; removed Zinecard from policy as product has been discontinued. References reviewed and updated. Template changes applied to other diagnoses/indications and continued therapy section. Updated FDA approved indication to mirror PI; clarified that use is limited to the pediatric population for Ph-negative ALL and Hodgkin lymphoma; added off-label use for soft tissue sarcoma to criteria under doxorubicin-induced cardiomyopathy per NCCN 2A recommendation. Added verbiage that this policy is for medical benefit only.	06.28.23	10.05.23
Annual review: for doxorubicin-induced cardiomyopathy, added redirection to generic dexrazoxane, added the following NCCN 2A indications: relapsed/refractory Ph-positive ALL, Hodgkin lymphoma in adults age > 60 years, and neuroblastoma; references reviewed and updated	06.13.24	09.04.24
Annual review: removed brand Totect from criteria as product has been discontinued and obsolete; for doxorubicin-induced cardiomyopathy, clarified anthracycline-induced extravasation is an off-label use now that Totect has been discontinued; removed Hodgkin lymphoma in adults age > 60 years per NCCN; removed redirections to generic dexrazoxane now that product is only available as generic; references reviewed and updated.	05.09.25	

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