

Clinical Policy: Omacetaxine (Synribo)

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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.

Description

Omacetaxine (Synribo®) is cephalotaxine ester that inhibits protein synthesis by binding to the A-site in the peptidyl-transferase center of the large ribosomal subunit.

FDA Approved Indication(s)

Synribo is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with chronic or accelerated phase chronic myeloid leukemia (CML) with resistance and/or intolerance to two or more tyrosine kinase inhibitors (TKIs).

Policy/Criteria

Prior Authorization is required. 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 Synribo is medically necessary when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria

A. Chronic Myeloid Leukemia (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of Ph+ (BCR-ABL1-positive) CML;
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist or hematologist;
3. Age \geq 18 years;
4. Request meets one of the following (a or b):
 - a. Member has experienced resistance, toxicity, or intolerance to prior therapy with two or more TKIs (e.g., imatinib, Bosulif®, Sprycel®, Tassigna®, Iclusig®);
 - b. Member has T315I mutation and has received prior treatment with Iclusig and Scemblix®;
5. Request meets one of the following (a or b):*
 - a. Dose does not exceed 2.5 mg/m² per day.
 - 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:

Medicaid - 6 months

B. Other diagnoses/indications

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1. Refer to the off-label use policy if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized): LA.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

II. Continued Therapy**A. Chronic Myeloid Leukemia (must meet all):**

1. Currently receiving medication via Louisiana Healthcare Connections benefit, or documentation supports that member is currently receiving Synribo for CML and has received this medication for at least 30 days;
2. Member is responding positively to therapy;
3. If request is for a dose increase, request meets one of the following (a or b):*
 - a. New dose does not exceed 2.5 mg/m² per day;
 - b. New 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:

Medicaid - 12 months

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

1. Currently receiving medication via Louisiana Healthcare Connections benefit and documentation supports positive response to therapy.
Approval duration: Duration of request or 6 months (whichever is less); or
2. Refer to the off-label use policy if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized): LA.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

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 for Medicaid, or evidence of coverage documents.

IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key

CML: chronic myelogenous leukemia

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives

This table provides a listing of preferred alternative therapy recommended in the approval criteria. The drugs listed here may require prior authorization.

| Drug Name | Dosing Regimen | Dose Limit/ Maximum Dose |
|-----------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| imatinib | Adult: | Adult: 800 mg/day |

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|--------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| (Gleevec®) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 400-600 mg/day PO for chronic phase • 600-800 mg/day PO for accelerated phase or blast crisis (800 mg given as 400 BID) | |
| Bosulif® (bosutinib) | 400 mg PO QD | 600 mg/day |
| Sprycel® (dasatinib) | Adults: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chronic phase: 100-140 mg/day PO • Accelerated, myeloid phase, or lymphoid blast phase: 140-180 mg/day PO | Adults: 180 mg/day |
| Tasigna® (nilotinib) | Adults: 300 mg PO BID | Adults: 600 mg/day |
| Iclusig® (ponatinib) | Starting dose 45 mg PO QD | 45 mg/day |
| Scemblix® (asciminib) | 200 mg PO BID | 200 mg/day |

Appendix C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings

None reported

V. Dosage and Administration

| Indication | Dosing Regimen | Maximum Dose |
|------------|---|-------------------------------|
| CML | Induction dose: 1.25 mg/m ² subcutaneous twice daily for 14 consecutive days of a 28-day cycle Maintenance dose: 1.25 mg/m ² subcutaneous twice daily for 7 consecutive days of a 28-day cycle | 2.5 mg/m ² per day |

VI. Product Availability

Single-use vial: 3.5 mg of omacetaxine mepesuccinate as a lyophilized powder

VII. References

1. Synribo Prescribing Information. North Wales, PA: Teva Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc.; May 2021. Available at <https://dailymed.nlm.nih.gov/dailymed/drugInfo.cfm?setid=83a504ef-cf92-467d-9ecf-d251194a3484> . Accessed February 2, 2022.
2. National Comprehensive Cancer Network Drugs and Biologics Compendium. Available at www.nccn.org. Accessed February 2, 2022.
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Coding Implications

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date sources of professional coding guidance prior to the submission of claims for reimbursement of covered services.

| HCPSC Codes | Description |
|-------------|---|
| J9262 | Injection, omacetaxine mepesuccinate, 0.01 mg |

| Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals | Date | LDH Approval Date |
|--------------------------------------|-------|-------------------|
| Converted corporate to local policy. | 04.22 | |

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