

Clinical Policy: Midostaurin (Rydapt)

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Description

Midostaurin (Rydapt[®]) is a tyrosine kinase inhibitor.

FDA Approved Indication(s)

Rydapt is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with:

- Newly diagnosed acute myeloid leukemia (AML) that is FLT3 mutation-positive as detected by an FDA-approved test, in combination with standard cytarabine and daunorubicin induction and cytarabine consolidation
- Aggressive systemic mastocytosis (ASM), systemic mastocytosis with associated hematological neoplasm (SM-AHN), or mast cell leukemia (MCL)

Limitation(s) of use: Rydapt is not indicated as a single-agent induction therapy for the treatment of patients with AML.

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 health plans affiliated with Centene Corporation[®] that Rydapt is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria

A. Acute Myeloid Leukemia (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of AML;
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist;
3. Age \geq 18 years;
4. Positive for the FLT3 mutation as detected by an FDA-approved test (e.g., LeukoStrat[®] CDx FLT3 Mutation Assay);
5. Prescribed in combination with cytarabine and daunorubicin induction and cytarabine consolidation therapy;
6. Dose does not exceed 100 mg/day

Approval duration:

Medicaid - 6 months

Commercial - Length of Benefit

B. Advanced Systemic Mastocytosis (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of one of the following (a, b, or c):

- a. ASM;
- b. SM-AHN;
- c. MCL;
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist, allergist, or immunologist;
3. Age \geq 18 years;
4. Dose does not exceed 200 mg/day.

Approval duration:

Medicaid - 6 months

Commercial - Length of Benefit

C. Other diagnoses/indications

1. Refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized): CP.CPA.09 for commercial and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

II. Continued Therapy

A. All Indications in Section I (must meet all):

1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit, or documentation supports that member is currently receiving Rydapt for AML or ASM 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, new dose does not exceed:
 - a. AML: 100 mg/day;
 - b. ASM, SM-AHN, or MCL: 200 mg/day.

Approval duration:

Medicaid - 12 months

Commercial - Length of Benefit

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

1. Currently receiving medication via Centene 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 for the relevant line of business if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized): CP.CPA.09 for commercial, and CP.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 policies – CP.CPA.09 for commercial and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid or evidence of coverage documents.

IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key

AML: acute myeloid leukemia

ASM: aggressive systemic mastocytosis

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

MCL: mast cell leukemia

SM-AHN: systemic mastocytosis with associated hematological neoplasm

Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives

This table provides a listing of preferred alternative therapy recommended in the approval criteria. The drugs listed here may not be a formulary agent for all relevant lines of business and may require prior authorization.

Drug Name	Dosing Regimen	Dose Limit/ Maximum Dose
AML induction therapy: cytarabine + daunorubicin	Cytarabine 100-200 mg/m ² continuous IV infusion for 7 days with daunorubicin 60-90 mg/m ² for 3 days	Varies
AML post-remission therapy (consolidation): cytarabine	3 g/m ² IV over 3 hours every 12 hours on days 1, 3, and 5 for 3 to 4 cycles	Varies

Therapeutic alternatives are listed as Brand name[®] (generic) when the drug is available by brand name only and generic (Brand name[®]) when the drug is available by both brand and generic.

Appendix C: General Information

- Information on FDA-approved tests for the detection of FLT3 mutation in AML is available at <http://www.fda.gov/CompanionDiagnostics>.
- In AML, the National Comprehensive Cancer Network practice guidelines recommend induction therapy with cytarabine 100-200 mg/m² continuous IV infusion for 7 days with idarubicin 12 mg/m² or daunorubicin 60-90 mg/m² for 3 days (category 1). For post-remission therapy, cytarabine 3 g/m² IV over 3 hours every 12 hours on days 1, 3, and 5 for 3 to 4 cycles (category 1), hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (category 2A), or a clinical trial (category 2A) is recommended.

V. Dosage and Administration

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
AML	50 mg orally twice daily with food	100 mg/day
ASM, SM-AHN, MCL	100 mg orally twice daily with food	200 mg/day

VI. Product Availability

Capsules: 25 mg

VII. References

1. Rydapt Prescribing Information. East Hanover, NJ: Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation; April 2017. Available at: www.rydapt.com. Accessed February 22, 2018.
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