

Clinical Policy: Mosunetuzumab-axgb (Lunsumio)

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Description

Mosunetuzumab-axgb (Lunsumio[™]) is a bispecific CD20-directed CD3 T-cell engager antibody.

FDA Approved Indication(s)

Lunsumio is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with relapsed or refractory follicular lymphoma after two or more lines of systemic therapy.

This indication is approved under accelerated approval based on response rate. Continued approval for this indication may be contingent upon verification and description of clinical benefit in a confirmatory trial(s).

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 Lunsumio is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria**A. Follicular Lymphoma** (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of relapsed or refractory follicular lymphoma characterized as both of the following (a and b):
 - a. Grade 1, 2 or 3a (low grade or slow growing);
 - b. Presence of at least one bi-dimensionally measurable lesion (≥ 1.5 cm in its largest dimension for nodal lesions, or ≥ 1.0 cm in its largest dimension for extranodal lesions);
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist or a hematologist;
3. Age ≥ 18 years;
4. Member has received at least two prior lines of systemic therapy including all of the following (a and b):
 - a. One anti-CD20-directed therapy (e.g., rituximab, Arzerra[®], Gazyva[®]);
 - b. One alkylating agent (e.g., bendamustine, cyclophosphamide);
5. Member does not have a known current or past central nervous system (CNS) lymphoma, or a history of CNS disease (e.g., stroke/transient ischemic attack with residual neurologic deficits; epilepsy with seizures in the past 2 years; CNS vasculitis or neurodegenerative disease);

6. Dose does not exceed one of the following (a or b):*
 - a. All of the following (i, ii and iii):
 - i. Cycle 1:
 - a) Day 1: 1 mg;
 - b) Day 8: 2 mg;
 - c) Day 15: 60 mg;
 - ii. Cycle 2: Day 1: 60 mg;
 - iii. Cycles 3+: Day 1: 30 mg;
 - 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: 9 months (8 treatment cycles of 21 days each)

B. 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 one of the following policies (a or b):
 - a. For drugs on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the no coverage criteria policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.33 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.255 for Medicaid; or
 - b. For drugs NOT on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the non-formulary policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.103 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.16 for Medicaid; or
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 the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

II. Continued Therapy

A. Follicular Lymphoma (must meet all):

1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit or documentation supports that member is currently receiving Lunsumio for a covered indication and has received this medication for at least 30 days;
2. Member meets one of the following (a or b):
 - a. Received 8 initial treatment cycles and needs further therapy due to incomplete or partial response;
 - b. Did not receive 8 initial treatment cycles, and wishes to resume therapy;
3. Member is responding positively to therapy;
4. If request is for a dose increase, request meets one of the following (a or b):*
 - a. All of the following (i, ii and iii):
 - i. Cycle 1:
 - a) Day 1: 1 mg;
 - b) Day 8: 2 mg;
 - c) Day 15: 60 mg;

- ii. Cycle 2: Day 1: 60 mg;
- iii. Cycles 3+: Day 1: 30 mg;
- 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: 12 months (see comments below)

- **For members who received 8 initial treatment cycles, 9 additional continued therapy cycles will be approved for the total of 17 cycles between the initial and continued therapy.**
- **For members who did not receive 8 initial treatment cycles but wish to resume therapy, approval will be granted to complete the 8 initial treatment cycles after which re-authorization for continued therapy will be required.**

B. 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 one of the following policies (a or b):
 - a. For drugs on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the no coverage criteria policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.33 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.255 for Medicaid; or
 - b. For drugs NOT on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the non-formulary policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.103 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.16 for Medicaid; or
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 2 above does not apply, refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, 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, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid or evidence of coverage documents.

IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key

CNS: central nervous system

CRS: cytokine release syndrome

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

FL: follicular lymphoma

ICANS: immune effector cell associated neurotoxicity

NCCN: National Comprehensive Cancer Network

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
<p><i>Examples of first-line, second-line and subsequent therapies:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • bendamustine + (Gazyva[®] (obinutuzumab) or rituximab) • CHOP (cyclophosphamide, doxorubicin, vincristine, prednisone) ± (Gazyva[®] (obinutuzumab) or rituximab) • CVP (cyclophosphamide, vincristine, prednisone) + (Gazyva[®] (obinutuzumab) or rituximab) <p><i>Single-agent examples:</i> rituximab; Leukeran[®] (chlorambucil) ± rituximab; cyclophosphamide ± rituximab; Revlimid[®] (lenalidomide) ± (Gazyva[®] (obinutuzumab) or rituximab); Aliqopa[®] (copanlisib); Gazyva[®] (obinutuzumab), Tazverik[™] (tazemetostat)</p>	Varies	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: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings

- Contraindication(s): None reported
- Boxed warning(s): Cytokine release syndrome including serious or life-threatening reactions, and neurologic toxicity including immune effector cell associated neurotoxicity

V. Dosage and Administration

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
Follicular Lymphoma	<p>Cycle 1*:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Day 1: 1 mg • Day 8: 2 mg • Day 15: 60 mg <p>Cycle 2: Day 1: 60 mg Cycles 3+: Day 1: 30 mg</p>	60 mg/dose intravenous infusion

** Refer to prescribing information for details on administration duration for each cycle, recommended premedications and dose modifications for adverse reactions.*

VI. Product Availability

Solution for intravenous infusion in a single-dose vial:

- 1 mg/mL (total 1 mL vial volume)
- 30 mg/30 mL (total 30 mL vial volume)

VII. References

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Coding Implications

Codes referenced in this clinical policy are for informational purposes only. Inclusion or exclusion of any codes does not guarantee coverage. Providers should reference the most up-to-date sources of professional coding guidance prior to the submission of claims for reimbursement of covered services.

HCPCS Codes	Description
J9350	Injection, mosunetuzumab-axgb, 1 mg

Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals	Date	P&T Approval Date
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1Q 2025 annual review: no significant changes; updated Appendix B with additional therapeutic options per NCCN guidelines; references reviewed and updated.	10.17.24	02.25

Important Reminder

This clinical policy has been developed by appropriately experienced and licensed health care professionals based on a review and consideration of currently available generally accepted standards of medical practice; peer-reviewed medical literature; government agency/program approval status; evidence-based guidelines and positions of leading national health professional organizations; views of physicians practicing in relevant clinical areas affected by this clinical policy; and other available clinical information. The Health Plan makes no representations and accepts no liability with respect to the content of any external information used or relied upon in developing this clinical policy. This clinical policy is consistent with standards of medical practice current at the time that this clinical policy was approved. “Health Plan” means a health

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