

Clinical Policy: Lisocabtagene Maraleucel (Breyanzi)

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Description

Lisocabtagene maraleucel (Breyanzi[®]) is a CD19-directed genetically modified autologous T-cell immunotherapy.

FDA Approved Indication(s)

Breyanzi is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with relapsed or refractory large B-cell lymphoma (LBCL) after two or more lines of systemic therapy, including diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (DLBCL) not otherwise specified (including DLBCL arising from indolent lymphoma), high-grade B-cell lymphoma, primary mediastinal large B-cell lymphoma, and follicular lymphoma grade 3B.

Limitation of use: Breyanzi is not indicated for the treatment of patients with primary central nervous system (CNS) lymphoma.

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 PA Health & Wellness[®] that Breyanzi is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria

A. Large B-Cell Lymphoma* (must meet all):

**Only for initial treatment dose; subsequent doses will not be covered.*

1. Diagnosis of one of the following LBCL (a–f);
 - a. DLBCL;
 - b. Primary Mediastinal Large B Cell Lymphoma (PMBCL);
 - c. Transformed Follicular Lymphoma (TFL) to DLBCL;
 - d. Transformed Nodal Marginal Zone lymphoma (MZL) to DLBCL;
 - e. High-grade B-cell lymphomas with translocations of MYC and BCL2 and/or BCL6 (double/triple hit lymphoma) or high-grade B-cell lymphomas, not otherwise specified;
 - f. Monomorphic post-transplant lymphoproliferative disorders (B-cell type);
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist or hematologist;
3. Age \geq 18 years;
4. Disease is refractory or member has relapsed after \geq 2 lines of systemic therapy that includes an anti-CD20 therapy (e.g., rituximab) and one anthracycline-containing regimen (e.g., doxorubicin);*

**Prior authorization may be required for rituximab*
5. Member does not have primary CNS disease;

6. Member has not previously received treatment with CAR T-cell immunotherapy (e.g., Kymriah™, Yescarta™);
7. Breyanzi is not prescribed concurrently with other CAR T-cell immunotherapy (e.g., Kymriah, Yescarta);
8. Dose does not exceed 110×10^6 chimeric antigen receptor (CAR)-positive viable T cells.

Approval duration: 3 months (1 dose only, with 4 doses of tocilizumab (Actemra) at up to 800 mg per dose)

B. 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): PA.CP.PMN.53

II. Continued Therapy

A. Large B-Cell Lymphoma

1. Continued therapy will not be authorized as Breyanzi is indicated to be dosed one time only.

Approval duration: Not applicable

B. Other diagnoses/indications

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): PA.CP.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 policies – PA.CP.PMN.53;
- B. Primary CNS disease.

IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key

ALC: absolute lymphocyte count
 CAR: chimeric antigen receptor
 CNS: central nervous system
 CRS: cytokine release syndrome

DLBCL: diffuse large B-cell lymphoma
 FDA: Food and Drug Administration
 LBCL: large B-cell lymphoma

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 |
|--|----------------|--------------------------|
| First-Line Treatment Regimens | | |
| RCHOP (Rituxan® (rituximab), cyclophosphamide, doxorubicin, vincristine, prednisone) | Varies | Varies |

| Drug Name | Dosing Regimen | Dose Limit/ Maximum Dose |
|--|----------------|--------------------------|
| RCEPP (Rituxan [®] (rituximab), cyclophosphamide, etoposide, prednisone, procarbazine) | Varies | Varies |
| RCDOF (Rituxan [®] (rituximab), cyclophosphamide, liposomal doxorubicin, vincristine, prednisone) | Varies | Varies |
| DA-EPOCH (etoposide, prednisone, vincristine, cyclophosphamide, doxorubicine) + Rituxan [®] (rituximab) | Varies | Varies |
| RCEOP (Rituxan [®] (rituximab), cyclophosphamide, etoposide, vincristine, prednisone) | Varies | Varies |
| RGCVP (Rituxan [®] , gemcitabine, cyclophosphamide, vincristine, prednisone) | Varies | Varies |
| Second-Line Treatment Regimens | | |
| Bendeka [®] (bendamustine) ± Rituxan [®] (rituximab) | Varies | Varies |
| CEPP (cyclophosphamide, etoposide, prednisone, procarbazine) ± Rituxan [®] (rituximab) | Varies | Varies |
| CEOP (cyclophosphamide, etoposide, vincristine, prednisone) ± Rituxan [®] (rituximab) | Varies | Varies |
| DA-EPOCH ± Rituxan [®] (rituximab) | Varies | Varies |
| GDP (gemcitabine, dexamethasone, cisplatin) ± Rituxan [®] (rituximab) | Varies | Varies |
| gemcitabine, dexamethasone, carboplatin ± Rituxan [®] (rituximab) | Varies | Varies |
| GemOx (gemcitabine, oxaliplatin) ± Rituxan [®] (rituximab) | Varies | Varies |
| gemcitabine, vinorelbine ± Rituxan [®] (rituximab) | Varies | Varies |
| lenalidomide ± Rituxan [®] (rituximab) | Varies | Varies |
| Rituxan [®] (rituximab) | Varies | Varies |
| DHAP (dexamethasone, cisplatin, cytarabine) ± Rituxan [®] (rituximab) | Varies | Varies |
| DHAX (dexamethasone, cytarabine, oxaliplatin) ± Rituxan [®] (rituximab) | Varies | Varies |
| ESHAP (etoposide, methylprednisolone, cytarabine, cisplatin) ± Rituxan [®] (rituximab) | Varies | Varies |
| ICE (ifosfamide, carboplatin, etoposide) ± Rituxan [®] (rituximab) | Varies | Varies |
| MINE (mesna, ifosfamide, mitoxantrone, etoposide) ± Rituxan [®] (rituximab) | 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 and neurologic toxicities

Appendix D: General Information

- Patients with primary CNS disease were excluded from the TRANSCEND NHL 001 trial. For primary CNS lymphoma, NCCN treatment guidelines for CNS cancers recommend a high-dose methotrexate induction based regimen or whole brain radiation therapy, and consolidation therapy with high-dose chemotherapy with stem cell rescue, high-dose cytarabine with or without etoposide, low dose whole brain radiation therapy, or continuation with monthly high-dose methotrexate-based regimen.
- In the TRANSCEND NHL 001 trial, three of six patients in the efficacy-evaluable set with secondary CNS lymphoma achieved a complete response.
- No prespecified threshold for blood counts, including absolute lymphocyte count, was required for enrollment in the TRANSCEND NHL 001 trial.

V. Dosage and Administration

| Indication | Dosing Regimen | Maximum Dose |
|------------|--|---|
| LBCL | Target dose: 50 to 110 x 10 ⁶ CAR-positive viable T cells | 110 x 10 ⁶ CAR-positive viable T cells |

VI. Product Availability

Single-dose 5 mL vial: frozen suspension of genetically modified autologous T-cells labeled for the specific recipient

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 |
|-------------|---|
| TBD | Lisocabtagene Maraleucel, Autologous Anti-CD19 CAR T Cells, Including Leukapheresis And Dose Preparation Procedures, Per Infusion |

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