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**Bendamustine hydrochloride**

**Initial application — treatment naive CLL**

Applications only from a relevant specialist or medical practitioner on the recommendation of a relevant specialist. Approvals valid for 12 months.

**Prerequisites**(tick boxes where appropriate)

The patient has Binet stage B or C, or progressive stage A chronic lymphocytic leukaemia requiring treatment  
**and**  
 The patient is chemotherapy treatment naive  
**and**  
 The patient is unable to tolerate toxicity of full-dose FCR  
**and**  
 Patient has ECOG performance status 0-2  
**and**  
 Patient has a Cumulative Illness Rating Scale (CIRS) score of < 6  
**and**  
 Bendamustine is to be administered at a maximum dose of 100 mg/m<sup>2</sup> on days 1 and 2 every 4 weeks for a maximum of 6 cycles

Note: 'Chronic lymphocytic leukaemia (CLL)' includes small lymphocytic lymphoma (SLL). Chemotherapy treatment is considered to comprise a known standard therapeutic chemotherapy regimen and supportive treatments.

**Initial application — Indolent, Low-grade lymphomas**

Applications only from a relevant specialist or medical practitioner on the recommendation of a relevant specialist. Approvals valid for 9 months.

**Prerequisites**(tick boxes where appropriate)

The patient has indolent low grade NHL requiring treatment  
**and**  
 Patient has a WHO performance status of 0-2  
**and**

Patient is treatment naive  
**and**  
 Bendamustine is to be administered for a maximum of 6 cycles (in combination with rituximab when CD20+)

**or**

Patient is refractory to or has relapsed within 12 months of a rituximab containing combined chemo-immunotherapy regimen  
**and**  
 Bendamustine is to be administered in combination with obinutuzumab for a maximum of 6 cycles

**or**

The patient has not received prior bendamustine therapy  
**and**  
 Bendamustine is to be administered for a maximum of 6 cycles in relapsed patients (in combination with rituximab when CD20+)  
**and**  
 Patient has had a rituximab treatment-free interval of 12 months or more

**or**

Bendamustine is to be administered as monotherapy for a maximum of 6 cycles in rituximab refractory patients

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**Bendamustine hydrochloride - continued**

**Renewal — Indolent, Low-grade lymphomas**

Current approval Number (if known):.....

Applications only from a relevant specialist or medical practitioner on the recommendation of a relevant specialist. Approvals valid for 9 months.

**Prerequisites**(tick boxes where appropriate)

Patient is refractory to or has relapsed within 12 months of rituximab in combination with bendamustine  
**and**  
 Bendamustine is to be administered in combination with obinutuzumab for a maximum of 6 cycles

**or**

Patients have not received a bendamustine regimen within the last 12 months  
**and**

Bendamustine is to be administered for a maximum of 6 cycles in relapsed patients (in combination with rituximab when CD20+)  
**and**  
 Patient has had a rituximab treatment-free interval of 12 months or more

**or**

Bendamustine is to be administered as a monotherapy for a maximum of 6 cycles in rituximab refractory patients

Note: 'indolent, low-grade lymphomas' includes follicular, mantle cell, marginal zone and lymphoplasmacytic/ Waldenstrom's macroglobulinaemia.

**Initial application — Hodgkin's lymphoma\***

Applications only from a relevant specialist or medical practitioner on the recommendation of a relevant specialist. Approvals valid for 6 months.

**Prerequisites**(tick boxes where appropriate)

Patient has Hodgkin's lymphoma requiring treatment  
**and**  
 Patient has a ECOG performance status of 0-2  
**and**  
 Patient has received one prior line of chemotherapy  
**and**  
 Patient's disease relapsed or was refractory following prior chemotherapy  
**and**  
 Bendamustine is to be administered in combination with gemcitabine and vinorelbine (BeGeV) at a maximum dose of no greater than 90 mg/m2 twice per cycle, for a maximum of four cycles

Note: Indications marked with \* are unapproved indications.

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