

Utilization Management and Clinical Medical Policy

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Service Description:

This document addresses the use of Gemtuzumab ozogamicin (Mylotarg), a CD33-directed antibody and cytotoxic drug conjugate approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the treatment of newly-diagnosed CD33-positive acute myeloid leukemia (AML) and relapsed or refractory CD33-positive AML.

Background Information:

Originally FDA approved in 2000, Mylotarg was subsequently voluntarily withdrawn from the US market in 2010 due to safety and efficacy concerns. A required post-marketing study of the addition of Mylotarg to standard induction as first-line therapy for AML in individuals < 61 years of age showed significantly greater fatal induction toxicity and no improvement in survival compared to chemotherapy alone (NCT00085709; Petersdorf 2013). Re-approval for Mylotarg in 2017 was granted based on studies showing event-free survival advantage, overall survival advantage, or durable complete remission (Castaigne 2012, Amadori 2016, Hills 2014). The FDA approved indications include treatment of newly diagnosed AML (including induction and consolidation [post-remission] therapy) and treatment of relapsed or refractory AML.

The National Comprehensive Cancer Network® (NCCN) provides additional recommendations with a category 2A level of evidence for the use of Mylotarg. These include the use in high-risk [white blood count (WBC) greater than 10,000/mcL (cells per microliter)] acute promyelocytic leukemia (APL), low-risk [WBC less than 10,000/mcL] APL, and APL in first relapse after prior therapy.

Mylotarg has a black box warning for hepatotoxicity, including severe or fatal hepatic veno-occlusive disease (VOD), also known as sinusoidal obstruction syndrome (SOS) which has been reported within single agent and combination therapy. Individuals should be monitored frequently for signs and symptoms of VOD.

Definitions and Measures

- Acute promyelocytic leukemia (APL): an aggressive subtype of AML
- Anthracycline: A type of antibiotic that comes from certain types of Streptomyces bacteria and are used to treat many types of cancer. Anthracyclines damage the DNA in cancer cells, causing the cells to die.
- Monoclonal antibody: A protein developed in the laboratory that can locate and bind to specific substances in the body and on the surface of cancer cells.
- Refractory Disease: Illness or disease that does not respond to treatment.

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- Relapse or recurrence: After a period of improvement, during which time a disease (for example, cancer) could not be detected, the return of signs and symptoms of illness or disease. For cancer, it may come back to the same place as the original (primary) tumor or to another place in the body.

Approved Indications

- Adults and pediatric patients 1 month and older with newly diagnosed CD33-positive acute myeloid leukemia (AML).
- Adults and pediatric patients 2 years and older with relapsed or refractory CD33-positive AML.

Other Uses

- See background section above.

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Medical Necessity Guidelines:

When a drug is being reviewed for coverage under a member’s medical benefit plan or is otherwise subject to clinical review (including prior authorization), the following criteria will be used to determine whether the drug meets any applicable medical necessity requirements for the intended/prescribed purpose.

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A. Criteria For Initial Approval (*Provider must submit documentation [such as office chart notes, lab results, pathology reports, imaging studies, and any other pertinent clinical information] supporting the patient’s diagnosis for the drug and confirming that the patient has met **all** approval criteria.*)

- i. Individual has a diagnosis of CD33+ acute myeloid leukemia (AML); **AND**
- ii. Individual is using for one of the following:
 - A. As induction for AML; **OR**
 - B. As consolidation therapy for AML; **OR**
 - C. As treatment for relapsed or refractory AML; **OR**
 - D. As a single agent in patients with AML without IDH1 mutation;

OR

- iii. Individual has a diagnosis of acute promyelocytic leukemia (APL) (NCCN 2A); **AND**
 - A. Individual has high-risk disease (white blood cell count > 10,000/mcL); **AND**
 - 1. Individual is using Mylotarg for treatment induction; **OR**
 - 2. Individual is using Mylotarg for consolidation therapy;
 - 3.

OR

- B. Individual has low-risk disease (white blood cell count ≤ 10,000/mcL) and arsenic is not available or contraindicated; **OR**
 - 1. Individual is using Mylotarg for treatment induction; **OR**
 - 2. Individual is using Mylotarg for consolidation;

OR

- C. Individual is using for relapsed disease; **OR**
- D. Individual has leukocytosis associated with APL differentiation syndrome and using as a single agent.

B. Criteria For Continuation of Therapy

- i. MMM considers continuation of Gemtuzumab ozogamicin (Mylotarg®) therapy medically necessary in members requesting reauthorization for an indication listed in Section A above (Criteria for Initial Approval) when there is no evidence of unacceptable toxicity or disease progression while on the current regimen, and the maximum duration of treatment has not been exceeded. The following information should be submitted for reauthorization:
 - A. A current oncology note documenting the patient’s response to treatment showing no progression of disease.

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- B. Current imaging studies and other objective measures, as appropriate, showing no progression of disease when compared with previous results.
- ii. Maximum Duration of Therapy:
 - A. Newly-Diagnosed De Novo CD33-positive AML (Combination Regimen): 1 induction cycle and 2 consolidation cycles.
 - B. Newly-Diagnosed CD33-positive AML (Single-agent Regimen): 1 induction cycle and 8 consolidation cycles.
 - C. Relapsed or Refractory CD33-positive AML (Single-agent Regimen): 1 single course

C. Authorization Duration

- i. Initial Approval Duration: Per cycle or course
- ii. Reauthorization Approval Duration: Per cycle or course

D. Conditions Not Covered

Any other use is considered experimental, investigational, or unproven, including the following (this list may not be all inclusive):

- i. Requests for Mylotarg (gemtuzumab ozogamicin may not be approved when the above criteria (Section A: Criteria for Initial Approval) are not met and for all other indications.

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Limits or Restrictions:

A. Therapeutic Alternatives

The list below includes preferred alternative therapies recommended in the approval criteria and may be subject to prior authorization.

- i. N/A

B. Quantity Limitations

Approvals may be subject to dosing limits in accordance with FDA-approved labeling, accepted compendia, and/or evidence-based practice guidelines. The chart below includes dosing recommendations as per the FDA-approved prescribing information.

Indication	Recommended Treatment Regimen	Recommended Dosing Schedule
Newly-Diagnosed De Novo CD33-positive AML (Combination Regimen)	1 induction cycle and 2 consolidation cycles	<u>Induction Cycle:</u> 3 mg/m ² (up to one 4.5 mg vial) on Days 1, 4, and 7 in combination with daunorubicin and cytarabine. In patients needing a second induction cycle, Mylotarg should not be administered. <u>Consolidation Cycles:</u> 3 mg/m ² on Day 1 (up to one 4.5 mg vial) in combination with daunorubicin and cytarabine
Newly-Diagnosed CD33-positive AML (Single-agent Regimen)	1 cycle of induction and up to 8 cycles of continuation therapy	<u>Induction Cycle:</u> 6 mg/m ² (not limited to one 4.5 mg vial) as a single agent on Day 1, and 3 mg/m ² (not limited to one 4.5 mg vial) on Day 8. <u>Consolidation Cycles:</u> 2 mg/m ² (not limited to one 4.5 mg vial) as a single agent on Day 1 every 4 weeks.
Relapsed or Refractory CD33-positive AML (Single-agent Regimen)	One single course	3 mg/m ² (up to one 4.5 mg vial) on Days 1, 4, and 7
Exceptions		
None		

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Codes Information:

The following list(s) of procedure and/or diagnosis codes is provided for reference purposes only and may not be all inclusive. Inclusion or exclusion of a procedure, diagnosis or device code(s) does not constitute or imply member coverage or provider reimbursement policy. Benefit coverage for health services is determined by the member specific benefit plan document and applicable laws that may require coverage for a specific service. The inclusion of a code does not imply any right to reimbursement or guarantee claim payment. Other Policies and Guidelines may apply.

ICD-10 Diagnostic Codes:

Codes	Description
C92.00-C92.02	Acute myeloblastic leukemia
C92.40-C92.42	Acute promyelocytic leukemia
C92.50-C92.52	Acute myelomonocytic leukemia
C92.60-C92.62	Acute myeloid leukemia with 11q23-abnormality
C92.A0-C92.A2	Acute myeloid leukemia with multilineage dysplasia
C93.00-C93.02	Acute monoblastic/monocytic leukemia
C94.00-C94.02	Acute erythroid leukemia
C94.20-C94.22	Acute megakaryoblastic leukemia

HCPCS Codes:

Codes	Description
J9203	Injection, gemtuzumab ozogamicin, 0.1 mg [Mylotarg]

CPT Codes:

Codes	Description
N/A	

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Policy History:

Type of Review	Summary of Changes	P&T Approval Date	UM/CMPC Approval Date
Annual Review	Updated AML criteria to add the NCCN 2A recommendation for use of Mylotarg as a single agent in patients with AML without an IDH1 mutation; updated APL criteria to include use for induction and consolidation therapy in both high- and low-risk disease; reviewed codes with no changes; updated formatting to align with the approved new template.	5/1/2026	5/6/2026
Annual Review	Update APL NCCN criteria to include use in leukocytosis associated with APL differentiation syndrome as a single agent. Coding Reviewed: No changes.	7/17/2025	8/8/2025
Annual Review	Update APL criteria to include low risk and relapsed disease per NCCN; Coding Reviewed: No changes.	2/24/2025	3/6/2025
Focus Review	Update statement for criteria for initial approval: Provider must submit documentation [such as office chart notes, lab results, pathology reports, imaging studies, and any other pertinent clinical information] supporting the patient's diagnosis for the drug and confirming that the patient has met all approval criteria.	3/25/2024	5/9/2024
Policy Inception	Elevance Health's Medical Policy adoption.	N/A	11/30/2024