



Synribo® (omacetaxine mepesuccinate) (Subcutaneous)

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I. Length of Authorization

Coverage will be provided for 6 months and may be renewed.

II. Dosing Limits

A. Quantity Limit (max daily dose) [NDC Unit]:

Synribo 3.5 mg for injection single-dose vial:

- Induction: 28 vials every 28 days (until hematologic response is achieved, then begin maintenance)
- Maintenance: 14 vials every 28 days

B. Max Units (per dose and over time) [HCPCS Unit]:

• 9,800 billable units every 28 days

III. Initial Approval Criteria ¹

Coverage is provided in the following conditions:

- Patient is at least 18 years of age; AND
- Patient's disease is confirmed by either a Philadelphia chromosome-positive (Ph+) or BCR::ABL1 positive laboratory test result; AND

Chronic Myeloid Leukemia (CML) † Φ 1-3

- Used as single agent therapy; **AND**
- Patients is resistant, intolerant, or had an inadequate response after at least 3 months of therapy with at least TWO tyrosine kinase inhibitor (TKI) therapies (e.g., asciminib, bosutinib, imatinib, dasatinib, ponatinib, or nilotinib); **AND**
 - o Patient has chronic phase disease; **OR**
 - Patient has advanced phase disease that has progressed to accelerated phase



Preferred therapies and recommendations are determined by review of clinical evidence. NCCN category of recommendation is taken into account as a component of this review. Regimens deemed equally efficacious (i.e., those having the same NCCN categorization) are considered to be therapeutically equivalent.

† FDA Approved Indication(s); ‡ Compendia Recommended Indication(s); Φ Orphan Drug

IV. Renewal Criteria 1-3

Coverage may be renewed based upon the following criteria:

- Patient continues to meet the indication-specific relevant criteria identified in section III;
 AND
- Absence of unacceptable toxicity from the drug. Examples of unacceptable toxicity include: myelosuppression (e.g., severe neutropenia, thrombocytopenia, or anemia), hemorrhage (including cerebral and gastrointestinal), uncontrolled hyperglycemia, etc.; AND
- Treatment response as indicated by one of the following BCR::ABL1 (IS) transcript levels:
 - $\circ \le 10\%$ at 3 months; **OR**
 - $\circ \le 10\%$ at 6 months; **OR**
 - \circ ≤ 0.1% or a ≥ 3-log reduction in *BCR-ABL1* transcripts from the standardized baseline, if qPCR (IS) is not available; **OR**
 - \circ $\leq 0.01\%$ MR4.0 or $\leq 0.0032\%$ MR4.5

Note: cytogenetic assessment of response may be used if quantitative reverse transcriptase polymerase chain reaction RT-PCR (qPCR) using International Scale (IS) for *BCR::ABL1* is not available

V. Dosage/Administration ¹

Indication	Dose
Chronic Myeloid Leukemia	Induction Dose: 1.25 mg/m² administered by subcutaneous injection twice daily for 14 consecutive days of a 28-day cycle. Repeat until a hematologic response is achieved, then begin maintenance.
	Maintenance Dose: 1.25 mg/m² administered by subcutaneous injection twice daily for 7 consecutive days of a 28-day cycle. Treatment should continue as long as patients are clinically benefiting from therapy.

- Synribo should be prepared/reconstituted in a healthcare facility by a healthcare professional.
- Synribo may be administered by the patient or caregiver with appropriate training on proper handling, storage conditions, administration, disposal, and clean-up of accidental spillage of the product.



VI. Billing Code/Availability Information

HCPCS Code:

- J9262 Injection, omacetaxine mepesuccinate, 0.01 mg; 1 billing unit = 0.01 mg NDC:
- Synribo 3.5 mg single-dose vial for injection: 63459-0177-xx

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Appendix 1 - Covered Diagnosis Codes

ICD-10	ICD-10 Description	
C92.10	Chronic myeloid leukemia, BCR/ABL-positive, not having achieved remission	
C92.11	Chronic myeloid leukemia, BCR/ABL-positive, in remission	
C92.12	Chronic myeloid leukemia, BCR/ABL-positive, in relapse	



Appendix 2 – Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

The preceding information is intended for non-Medicare coverage determinations. Medicare coverage for outpatient (Part B) drugs is outlined in the Medicare Benefit Policy Manual (Pub. 100-2), Chapter 15, §50 Drugs and Biologicals. In addition, National Coverage Determinations (NCDs) and/or Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) may exist and compliance with these policies is required where applicable. Local Coverage Articles (LCAs) may also exist for claims payment purposes or to clarify benefit eligibility under Part B for drugs which may be self-administered. The following link may be used to search for NCD, LCD, or LCA documents: https://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/search.aspx. Additional indications, including any preceding information, may be applied at the discretion of the health plan.

Medicare Part B Covered Diagnosis Codes (applicable to existing NCD/LCA/LCD): N/A

Medicare Part B Administrative Contractor (MAC) Jurisdictions			
Jurisdiction	Applicable State/US Territory	Contractor	
E (1)	CA, HI, NV, AS, GU, CNMI	Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	
F (2 & 3)	AK, WA, OR, ID, ND, SD, MT, WY, UT, AZ	Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	
5	KS, NE, IA, MO	Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Corp (WPS)	
6	MN, WI, IL	National Government Services, Inc. (NGS)	
H (4 & 7)	LA, AR, MS, TX, OK, CO, NM	Novitas Solutions, Inc.	
8	MI, IN	Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Corp (WPS)	
N (9)	FL, PR, VI	First Coast Service Options, Inc.	
J (10)	TN, GA, AL	Palmetto GBA, LLC	
M (11)	NC, SC, WV, VA (excluding below)	Palmetto GBA, LLC	
L (12)	DE, MD, PA, NJ, DC (includes Arlington & Fairfax counties and the city of Alexandria in	Novitas Solutions, Inc.	
K (13 & 14)	NY, CT, MA, RI, VT, ME, NH	National Government Services, Inc. (NGS)	
15	KY, OH	CGS Administrators, LLC	