

## Atezolizumab 1680mg Monotherapy – 28 Day

### INDICATIONS FOR USE:

INDICATION	ICD10	Regimen Code	Reimbursement Status
Treatment of adult patients with locally advanced or metastatic non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) after prior chemotherapy.	C34	00593a	ODMS 01/03/2019
Treatment of adult patients with locally advanced or metastatic urothelial carcinoma (mUC) after prior platinum-containing chemotherapy	C67	00593b	Reimbursement not approved <sup>i</sup>

### TREATMENT:

The starting dose of the drugs detailed below may be adjusted downward by the prescribing clinician, using their independent medical judgement, to consider each patient's individual clinical circumstances.

Atezolizumab is administered once every 28 days until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity develops.

Facilities to treat anaphylaxis MUST be present when atezolizumab is administered.

Day	Drug	Dose	Route	Diluent & Rate	Cycle
1	Atezolizumab	1680mg	IV infusion	250ml 0.9% NaCl over 60 minutes <sup>a</sup>	Every 28 days
<sup>a</sup> Initial dose must be given over 60 minutes; subsequent doses may be given over 30 minutes if tolerated					
If a planned dose of atezolizumab is missed, it should be administered as soon as possible; it is recommended not to wait until the next planned dose. The schedule of administration must be adjusted to maintain a 3-week interval between doses					

### ELIGIBILITY:

- Indications as above
- ECOG 0-1
- Prior treatment with  $\geq 1$  platinum based combination chemotherapy regimen
- Adequate haematological and organ function
- **Non Small Cell Lung Cancer:**
  - Locally advanced or metastatic (Stage IIIB, Stage IV, or recurrent) NSCLC
  - Patients with EGFR mutations or an ALK fusion oncogene are required to have received previous tyrosine kinase inhibitor therapy.
- **Urothelial carcinoma mUC:**
  - Locally advanced or metastatic urothelial carcinoma that shows predominantly transitional-cell features on histologic testing

### CAUTION:

Use with caution in:

- Patients with clinically significant autoimmune disease

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## EXCLUSIONS:

- Hypersensitivity to atezolizumab or any of the excipients.
- Symptomatic central nervous system (CNS) metastases
- Any medical condition that requires immunosuppressive doses of systemic corticosteroids or other immunosuppressive medication(s) (defined as >10mg prednisolone/daily (or steroid equivalent, excluding inhaled or topical steroids)
- Symptomatic interstitial lung disease
- Any active clinically significant infection requiring therapy
- Prior treatment with, anti-CTLA4, anti-PD-1, or anti-PD-L1 therapeutic antibody or pathway-targeting agents.

## PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY:

The treatment plan must be initiated by a Consultant Medical Oncologist

## TESTS:

### Baseline tests:

- FBC, renal and liver profile
- Glucose
- TFTs
- Virology Screen: Hepatitis B (HBsAg, HBcoreAb) and Hepatitis C

### Regular tests:

- FBC, renal, liver profile and glucose prior to each cycle
- TFTs every 3 to 6 weeks

### Disease monitoring:

Disease monitoring should be in line with the patient's treatment plan and any other test/s as directed by the supervising Consultant.

## DOSE MODIFICATIONS:

- Any dose modification should be discussed with a Consultant.
- Dose reduction of atezolizumab is not recommended.
- Guidelines for withholding of doses or permanent discontinuation are described below in Table 1.

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**Table 1: Guidelines for withholding or discontinuation of atezolizumab**

Immune related adverse reaction	Treatment modification
<b>Pneumonitis</b> Grade 2  Grade 3 or 4	Withhold atezolizumab Treatment may be resumed when the event improves to Grade 0 or Grade 1 within 12 weeks, and corticosteroids have been reduced to $\leq 10$ mg prednisolone or equivalent per day  Permanently discontinue atezolizumab
<b>Hepatitis</b> Grade 2: (ALT or AST $> 3$ to $5 \times$ upper limit of normal [ULN] or blood bilirubin $> 1.5$ to $3 \times$ ULN)  Grade 3 or 4: (ALT or AST $> 5 \times$ ULN or blood bilirubin $> 3 \times$ ULN)	Withhold atezolizumab. Treatment may be resumed when the event improves to Grade 0 or Grade 1 within 12 weeks and corticosteroids have been reduced to $\leq 10$ mg prednisolone or equivalent per day  Permanently discontinue atezolizumab
<b>Colitis</b> Grade 2 or 3 Diarrhoea (increase of $\geq 4$ stools/day over baseline) or Symptomatic Colitis  Grade 4 Diarrhoea or Colitis (life threatening; urgent intervention indicated)	Withhold atezolizumab. Treatment may be resumed when the event improves to Grade 0 or Grade 1 within 12 weeks and corticosteroids have been reduced to $\leq 10$ mg prednisolone equivalent per day  Permanently discontinue atezolizumab
<b>Hypothyroidism or hyperthyroidism</b> Symptomatic	Withhold atezolizumab Hypothyroidism: Treatment may be resumed when symptoms are controlled by thyroid replacement therapy and TSH levels are decreasing Hyperthyroidism: Treatment may be resumed when symptoms are controlled by antithyroid medicinal product and thyroid function is improving
<b>Adrenal insufficiency</b> Symptomatic	Withhold atezolizumab Treatment may be resumed when the symptoms improve to Grade 0 or Grade 1 within 12 weeks and corticosteroids have been reduced to $\leq 10$ mg prednisolone or equivalent per day and patient is stable on replacement therapy
<b>Hypophysitis</b> Grade 2 or 3  Grade 4	Withhold atezolizumab Treatment may be resumed when the symptoms improve to Grade 0 or Grade 1 within 12 weeks and corticosteroids have been reduced to $\leq 10$ mg prednisolone or equivalent per day and patient is stable on replacement therapy  Permanently discontinue atezolizumab
<b>Type 1 diabetes mellitus</b> Grade 3 or 4 hyperglycaemia (fasting glucose $>250$ mg/dL or $13.9$ mmol/L)	Withhold atezolizumab Treatment may be resumed when metabolic control is achieved on insulin replacement therapy
<b>Infusion-related reactions</b> Grade 1 or 2	Reduce infusion rate or interrupt. Treatment may be resumed when the event is resolved.

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Immune related adverse reaction	Treatment modification
Grade 3 or 4	Permanently discontinue atezolizumab
<b>Rash</b> Grade 3	Withhold atezolizumab Treatment may be resumed when rash is resolved and corticosteroids have been reduced to $\leq 10$ mg prednisolone or equivalent per day
Grade 4	Permanently discontinue atezolizumab
<b>Myasthenic syndrome/ myasthenia gravis, Guillain-Barré syndrome and Meningoencephalitis</b> All grades	Permanently discontinue atezolizumab
<b>Pancreatitis</b> Grade 3 or 4 serum amylase or lipase levels increased ( $> 2 \times$ ULN) or Grade 2 or 3 pancreatitis	Withhold Atezolizumab Treatment may be resumed when serum amylase and lipase levels improve to Grade 0 or Grade 1 within 12 weeks, or symptoms of pancreatitis have resolved, and corticosteroids have been reduced to $\leq 10$ mg prednisolone or equivalent per day
Grade 4 or any grade of recurrent pancreatitis	Permanently discontinue atezolizumab
<b>Myocarditis</b> Grade 2	Withhold atezolizumab Treatment may be resumed when the symptoms improve to Grade 0 or Grade 1 within 12 weeks and corticosteroids have been reduced to $\leq 10$ mg prednisolone or equivalent per day
Grade 3 and 4	Permanently discontinue atezolizumab
<b>Nephritis</b> Grade 2: (creatinine level $> 1.5$ to $3.0$ $\times$ baseline or $> 1.5$ to $3.0 \times$ ULN)	Withhold atezolizumab Treatment may be resumed when the event improves to Grade 0 or Grade 1 within 12 weeks and corticosteroids have been reduced to $\leq 10$ mg prednisone or equivalent per day
Grade 3 or 4: (creatinine level $> 3.0 \times$ baseline or $> 3.0 \times$ ULN)	Permanently discontinue atezolizumab
<b>Myositis</b> Grade 2 or 3	Withhold Atezolizumab Treatment may be resumed when the event improves to Grade 0 or Grade 1 within 12 weeks and corticosteroids have been reduced to $\leq 10$ mg prednisone or equivalent per day
Grade 4 or recurrent Grade 3	Permanently discontinue Atezolizumab
<b>Other immune-related adverse reactions</b> Grade 2 or Grade 3	Withhold until adverse reactions recovers to Grade 0-1 within 12 weeks, and corticosteroids have been reduced to $\leq 10$ mg prednisolone or equivalent per day.
Grade 4 or recurrent Grade 3	Permanently discontinue atezolizumab (except endocrinopathies controlled with replacement hormones)

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Immune related adverse reaction	Treatment modification
Note: Toxicity grades are in accordance with National Cancer Institute Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Event Version 4.0 (NCI-CTCAE v.4.).	

## Renal and Hepatic Impairment:

**Table 2: Dose modification of atezolizumab in renal and hepatic impairment**

Renal Impairment		Hepatic Impairment	
<b>Mild/Moderate</b>	No dose adjustment required	<b>Mild</b>	No dose adjustment required
<b>Severe</b>	Data too limited to draw conclusions	<b>Moderate/Severe</b>	Has not been studied

## SUPPORTIVE CARE:

**EMETOGENIC POTENTIAL:** Minimal (Refer to local policy).

**PREMEDICATIONS:** Not usually required

**OTHER SUPPORTIVE CARE:** Not usually required

## ADVERSE EFFECTS / REGIMEN SPECIFIC COMPLICATIONS:

*The adverse effects listed are not exhaustive. Please refer to the relevant Summary of Product Characteristics for full details.*

**This medicinal product is subject to additional monitoring. Healthcare professionals are asked to report any suspected adverse reactions.**

- Immune-mediated adverse reactions:** Most immune-related adverse reactions occurring during treatment with atezolizumab were reversible with interruptions of atezolizumab and initiation of corticosteroids and/or supportive care. Immune-related adverse reactions affecting more than one body system have been observed. Immune-related adverse reactions with atezolizumab may occur after the last dose of atezolizumab. For suspected immune-related adverse reactions, thorough evaluation to confirm aetiology or exclude other causes should be performed. Based on the severity of the adverse reaction, atezolizumab should be withheld and corticosteroids administered. Upon improvement to Grade  $\leq 1$ , corticosteroid should be tapered over  $\geq 1$  month. Based on limited data from clinical studies in patients whose immune-related adverse reactions could not be controlled with systemic corticosteroid use, administration of other systemic immunosuppressants may be considered. Atezolizumab must be permanently discontinued for any Grade 3 immune-related adverse reaction that recurs and for any Grade 4 immune-related adverse reactions, except for endocrinopathies that are controlled with replacement hormones.
- Infusion related reactions:** have been observed in clinical trials with atezolizumab. The rate of infusion should be reduced or treatment should be interrupted in patients with Grade 1 or 2 infusion related reactions. Atezolizumab should be permanently discontinued in patients with Grade 3 or 4 infusion related reactions. Patients with Grade 1 or 2 infusion-related reactions may continue to receive atezolizumab with close monitoring; premedication with antipyretic and antihistamines may be considered.

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## DRUG INTERACTIONS:

- No formal pharmacokinetic drug interaction studies have been conducted with atezolizumab. Since atezolizumab is cleared from the circulation through catabolism, no metabolic drug-drug interactions are expected.
- The use of systemic corticosteroids or immunosuppressants before starting atezolizumab should be avoided because of their potential interference with the pharmacodynamic activity and efficacy of atezolizumab. However, systemic corticosteroids or other immunosuppressants can be used to treat immune-related adverse reactions after starting atezolizumab
- Current drug interaction databases should be consulted for more information.

## ATC CODE:

Atezolizumab                      L01XC32

## COMPANY SUPPORT RESOURCES/Useful Links:

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### HCP Guide

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### Patient Alert Card

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<sup>i</sup> Post 2012 indication. Not reimbursed through the ODMS or Community Drug Schemes (including the High Tech arrangements of the PCRS community drug schemes). Please check <https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/list/5/cancer/profinfo/medonc/cdmp/new.html> for the most up to date reimbursement approvals.

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