

Clinical Policy: Isatuximab-irfc (Sarclisa)

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See **Important Reminder** at the end of this policy for important regulatory and legal information.

Description

Isatuximab-irfc (Sarclisa[®]) is a CD38-directed cytolytic antibody.

FDA Approved Indication(s)

Sarclisa is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with multiple myeloma (MM) in combination with pomalidomide and dexamethasone in patients who have received at least two prior therapies including lenalidomide and a proteasome inhibitor (PI).

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 Envolve Pharmacy Solutions[™] that Sarclisa is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria

A. Multiple Myeloma (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of MM;
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist or hematologist;
3. Age \geq 18 years;
4. Prescribed in combination with pomalidomide and dexamethasone, after two prior therapies, including lenalidomide and a PI (e.g., bortezomib, Kyprolis[®], Ninlaro[®]);*
**Prior authorization may be required for lenalidomide, bortezomib, Kyprolis and Ninlaro*
5. Request meets one of the following (a or b):*
 - a. Dose does not exceed 10 mg per kg once weekly;
 - b. Dose is supported by practice guidelines or peer-reviewed literature for the relevant off-label use (prescriber must submit supporting evidence).
**Prescribed regimen must be FDA-approved or recommended by NCCN*

Approval duration: 6 months

B. Other diagnoses/indications

1. Refer to ERX.PA.01 if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized).

II. Continued Therapy

A. Multiple Myeloma (must meet all):

1. Currently receiving medication via a health plan affiliated with Envolve Pharmacy Solutions, or documentation supports that member is currently receiving Sarclisa for a covered indication and has received this medication for at least 30 days;
2. Member is responding positively to therapy;
3. If request is for a dose increase, request meets one of the following (a or b):*
 - a. New dose does not exceed 10 mg per kg once weekly;
 - b. New dose is supported by practice guidelines or peer-reviewed literature for the relevant off-label use (*prescriber must submit supporting evidence*).
**Prescribed regimen must be FDA-approved or recommended by NCCN*

Approval duration: 12 months

B. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2):

1. Currently receiving medication via a health plan affiliated with Envolve Pharmacy Solutions and documentation supports positive response to therapy.
Approval duration: Duration of request or 6 months (whichever is less); or
2. Refer to ERX.PA.01 if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized).

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 policy – ERX.PA.01 or evidence of coverage documents.

IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

MM: multiple myeloma

PI: proteasome inhibitor

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 and may require prior authorization.

| Drug Name | Dosing Regimen | Dose Limit/ Maximum Dose |
|-----------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| Revlimid® (lenalidomide) | 10 mg or 25 mg PO QD; dose and frequency of administration vary based on specific use | See FDA approved dosing regimen |
| Ninlaro® (ixazomib) | 4 mg PO on days 1, 8, and 15 of every 28-day treatment cycle | See FDA approved dosing regimen |
| bortezomib (Velcade®) | 1.3 mg/m ² SC or IV; frequency of administration varies based on specific use | See FDA approved dosing regimen |
| Kyprolis® (carfilzomib) | 20 mg/m ² , 27 mg/m ² , and/or 56 mg/m ² IV; frequency of administration varies based on specific use | See FDA approved dosing regimen |
| Pomalyst® (pomalidomide) | 4 mg PO QD on days 1-21 of repeated 28-day cycles. | 4 mg/day |

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): severe hypersensitivity to isatuximab-irfc or to any of its excipients
- Boxed warning(s): none reported

V. Dosage and Administration

| Indication | Dosing Regimen | Maximum Dose |
|------------|---|---------------|
| MM | 10 mg per kg IV every week for 4 weeks followed by every 2 weeks in combination with pomalidomide and dexamethasone until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity. | 10 mg/kg/week |

VI. Product Availability

Single-dose vial with solution for injection: 100 mg/5 mL (20 mg/mL), 100 mg/5 mL (20 mg/mL)

VII. References

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Important Reminder

This clinical policy has been developed by appropriately experienced and licensed health care professionals based on a review and consideration of currently available generally accepted standards of medical practice; peer-reviewed medical literature; government agency/program approval status; evidence-based guidelines and positions of leading national health professional organizations; views of physicians practicing in relevant clinical areas affected by this clinical policy; and other available clinical information.

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