

**Generic Name:** Ruxolitinib

**Preferred:** N/A

**Therapeutic Class or Brand Name:** Jakafi®

**Non-preferred:** N/A

**Applicable Drugs (if Therapeutic Class):** N/A

**Date of Origin:** 2/1/2013

**Date Last Reviewed / Revised:** 11/18/2024

## PRIOR AUTHORIZATION CRITERIA

(May be considered medically necessary when criteria I through IV are met)

I. Documented diagnosis of one of the following conditions A through J AND must meet criteria listed under applicable diagnosis:

FDA-Approved Indication(s)

A. Myelofibrosis, including but not limited to primary myelofibrosis, post-polycythemia vera myelofibrosis, and post-essential thrombocythemia myelofibrosis AND all the following criteria are met:

i. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old.

B. Polycythemia vera AND all the following criteria are met:

i. Documented inadequate response, contraindication to or intolerance to hydroxyurea.

ii. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old.

C. Steroid-refractory acute graft-versus-host disease AND all the following criteria are met:

i. Documentation trial and failure of steroids.

ii. Minimum age requirement: 12 years old.

D. Chronic graft-versus-host disease AND all the following criteria are met:

i. Documented failure of at least one line of systemic therapy.

ii. Minimum age requirement 12 years old.

Other Uses with Supportive Evidence

E. Immunotherapy-related concomitant myositis and myocarditis AND all the following criteria are met:

i. Documented concomitant myositis and myocarditis related to immunotherapy.

ii. Documented trial and failure of steroids.

iii. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old.

F. Myeloid/Lymphoid neoplasms AND all the following criteria are met:

i. Documentation of myeloid, lymphoid, or mixed phenotype neoplasm with eosinophilia.

ii. Documentation of JAK2 rearrangement.

- iii. Minimum age: 18 years old.
- G. Chronic myelomonocytic leukemia (CMML)-2 AND all the following criteria are met:
- i. Used in combination with a hypomethylating agent (ex: azacitidine, decitabine)
  - ii. Used for symptom management or splenomegaly.
  - iii. Minimum age: 18 years old.
- H. Myelodysplastic/myeloproliferative neoplasm (MDS/MPN) or atypical chronic myeloid leukemia (aCMP) AND all the following criteria are met:
- i. Documentation of neutrophilia.
  - ii. Documentation that patient is BCR-ABL negative.
  - iii. Minimum age: 18 years old.
- I. Pediatric acute lymphoblastic leukemia
- i. Documentation of ONE of the following:
    - a) Induction therapy as a component of Total Therapy XVII regimen + ruxolitinib
    - b) Consolidation therapy as a component of COG AAL 1521 regimen + ruxolitinib
    - c) Consolidation therapy as a component of Total Therapy XVII regimen (SR/HR arm) + ruxolitinib
- J. T-cell lymphocytic leukemia (T-LGLL) and meets ONE of the following criteria (i, ii, or iii):
- i. Diagnosis of T-cell large granular lymphocytic leukemia AND all the following (a, b, and c):
    - a) Used as second-line therapy.
    - b) Documentation of progressive or refractory disease.
    - c) Minimum age: 18 years old.
  - ii. Diagnosis of T-cell prolymphocytic leukemia AND all the following (a, b, and c):
    - a) Documentation of symptomatic disease.
    - b) Used as second-line or subsequent therapy.
    - c) Minimum age: 18 years old.
  - iii. Diagnosis of T-cell prolymphocytic leukemia AND all the following (a, b, c, and d):
    - a) Documentation of symptomatic disease.
    - b) Used as second line or subsequent therapy.
    - c) Used as single agent.
    - d) Minimum age: 18 years old.

- II. Treatment must be prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist or a hematologist.
- III. Request is for a medication with the appropriate FDA labeling, or its use is supported by current clinical practice guidelines.
- IV. Refer to the plan document for the list of preferred products. If the requested agent is not listed as a preferred product, must have documented treatment failure or contraindication to the preferred product(s).

## EXCLUSION CRITERIA

- N/A

## OTHER CRITERIA

- N/A

## QUANTITY / DAYS SUPPLY RESTRICTIONS

- Quantities of up to 60 tablets per 30 days.

## APPROVAL LENGTH

- **Authorization:** 1 year.
- **Re-Authorization:** An updated letter of medical necessity or progress notes showing current medical necessity criteria are met and that the medication is effective.

## APPENDIX

N/A

## REFERENCES

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