# **MEDICATION POLICY:**





Generic Name: Pacritinib

Therapeutic Class or Brand Name: Vonjo ®

Applicable Drugs (if Therapeutic Class): Click

or tap here to enter text.

Preferred: N/A

Non-preferred: N/A

**Date of Origin:** 8/29/2022

Date Last Reviewed / Revised: 10/19/2024

# **PRIOR AUTHORIZATION CRITERIA**

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

I. Documentation of one of the following diagnoses A through D AND must meet all criteria listed under the applicable diagnosis:

FDA-Approved Indication(s)

- A. Intermediate or high-risk primary or secondary (post-polycythemia vera or post-essential thrombocythemia) myelofibrosis and criteria i and ii are met:
  - i. Documentation of thrombocytopenia (platelet count below  $50 \times 10^9$ /L).
  - ii. Physician attestation stating that the patient is not a transplant candidate or that the patient does not wish to pursue allogenic hematopoietic cell transplant.

Other Uses With Supportive Evidence

- B. Lower-risk myelofibrosis and criteria i and ii are met:
  - i. Documentation of disease-related symptoms.
  - ii. Platelet count below  $50 \times 10^9/L$ .
- C. Myelofibrosis associated anemia and criteria i and ii are met:
  - i. Documentation of splenomegaly and/or disease-related symptoms.
  - Documentation of anemia.
- D. Myeloproliferative neoplasm and criteria i and ii are met:
  - i. Documentation of myeloproliferative neoplasm with splenomegaly and/or disease-related symptoms.
  - ii. Used in combination with a hypomethylating agent (ex. azacitidine or decitabine).
- II. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old.

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- III. Treatment must be prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist or hematologist.
- IV. Request is for a medication with the appropriate FDA labeling, or its use is supported by current clinical practice guidelines.
- V. 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**

Concomitant use of strong CYP3A4 inhibitors or inducers.

### OTHER CRITERIA

N/A

### **QUANTITY / DAYS SUPPLY RESTRICTIONS**

• Quantities of up to 120 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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- National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Guidelines for Myeloproliferative Neoplasms Version 2.2024. Updated August 8, 2024. Accessed October 19, 2024. https://www.nccn.org/professionals/physician\_gls/pdf/mpn.pdf

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to Plan for individual adoption of specific Medication Policies. Providers are expected to exercise their medical judgement in providing the most appropriate care for their patients.