

Clinical Policy: Plerixafor (Mozobil)

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Line of Business: Commercial, HIM, Medicaid

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Description

Plerixafor (Mozobil[®]) is a hematopoietic stem cell mobilizer.

FDA Approved Indication(s)

Mozobil is indicated in combination with granulocyte-colony stimulating factor (G-CSF) to mobilize hematopoietic stem cells (HSCs) to the peripheral blood for collection and subsequent autologous transplantation in patients with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma (NHL) or multiple myeloma (MM).

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 Centene Corporation[®] that Mozobil is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria**A. Mobilization of Hematopoietic Stem Cells (must meet all):**

1. Diagnosis of NHL or MM;
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist or hematologist;
3. Age \geq 18 years;
4. If request is for brand Mozobil, member must use generic plerixafor, unless contraindicated or clinically significant adverse effects are experienced;
5. Prescribed in combination with a formulary G-CSF (i.e., Zarxio[®]);
**Prior authorization may be required for G-CSF.*
6. Member is scheduled to receive autologous stem cell transplantation;
7. Mozobil is prescribed to be administered for up to 4 consecutive days;
8. Dose does not exceed one of the following (a or b):
 - a. Weight \leq 83 kg: 20 mg/day fixed dose or 0.24 mg/kg per day;
 - b. Weight $>$ 83 kg: 0.24 mg/kg (up to 40 mg per day).

Approval duration: 3 months

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

1. If this drug has recently (within the last 6 months) undergone a label change (e.g., newly approved indication, age expansion, new dosing regimen) that is not yet reflected in this policy, refer to one of the following policies (a or b):

- a. For drugs on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the no coverage criteria policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.33 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.255 for Medicaid; or
 - b. For drugs NOT on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the non-formulary policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.103 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.16 for Medicaid; or
2. If the requested use (e.g., diagnosis, age, dosing regimen) is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized) AND criterion 1 above does not apply, refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

II. Continued Therapy

A. Mobilization of Hematopoietic Stem Cells (must meet all):

1. Re-authorization is not permitted. Members must meet the initial approval criteria.
Approval duration: Not applicable

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

1. If this drug has recently (within the last 6 months) undergone a label change (e.g., newly approved indication, age expansion, new dosing regimen) that is not yet reflected in this policy, refer to one of the following policies (a or b):
 - a. For drugs on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the no coverage criteria policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.33 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.255 for Medicaid; or
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2. If the requested use (e.g., diagnosis, age, dosing regimen) is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized) AND criterion 1 above does not apply, refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

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 – CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid, or evidence of coverage documents.

IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

G-CSF: granulocyte-colony stimulating factor
HSCs: hematopoietic stem cells

MM: multiple myeloma
NHL: non-Hodgkin lymphoma

Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives

Not applicable

Appendix C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings

- Contraindication(s): hypersensitivity
- Boxed warning(s): none reported

V. Dosage and Administration

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
NHL or MM	<p>The recommended dose of Mozobil by SC injection is based on actual body weight:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ≤ 83 kg: 20 mg fixed dose or 0.24 mg/kg of body weight • > 83 kg: 0.24 mg/kg of body weight <p>Initiate Mozobil treatment after the patient has received G-CSF once daily for 4 days. Administer Mozobil approximately 11 hours prior to initiation of each apheresis for up to 4 consecutive days.</p> <p>Use actual body weight to calculate the volume of Mozobil to be administered: 0.012 x actual body weight (in kg) = volume to be administered (in mL).</p> <p>Mozobil dose and treatment if weight is more than 175% of ideal body weight have not been investigated.</p>	40 mg/day

VI. Product Availability

Single-use vial for injection: 1.2 mL of a 20 mg/mL solution containing 24 mg of plerixafor

VII. References

1. Mozobil Prescribing Information. Cambridge, MA: Genzyme Corporation; August 2020. Available at: www.mozobil.com. Accessed April 18, 2023.
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3. National Comprehensive Cancer Network. Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation Version 1.2023. Available at: https://www.nccn.org/professionals/physician_gls/pdf/hct.pdf. Accessed: May 9, 2023.
4. Plerixafor Drug Monograph. Clinical Pharmacology. Available at: <https://www.clinicalkey.com/pharmacology>. Accessed May 9, 2023.

Coding Implications

Codes referenced in this clinical policy are for informational purposes only. Inclusion or exclusion of any codes does not guarantee coverage. Providers should reference the most up-to-date sources of professional coding guidance prior to the submission of claims for reimbursement of covered services.

HCPCS Codes	Description
J2562	Injection, plerixafor, 1 mg

Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals	Date	P&T Approval Date
3Q 2018 annual review: Policies combined for Commercial and Medicaid lines of business; no significant changes from previously approved corporate policy; added HIM line of business; added prescriber requirement; references reviewed and updated.	05.01.18	08.18
3Q 2019 annual review: added biosimilar Nivestym to list of G-CSF products which should be prescribed in combination with Mozobil; references reviewed and updated.	05.15.19	08.19
3Q 2020 annual review: no significant changes; references reviewed and updated.	05.04.20	08.20
3Q 2021 annual review: no significant changes; modified HIM.PHAR.21 to HIM.PA.154; references reviewed and updated.	04.05.21	08.21
3Q 2022 annual review: no significant changes; modified examples of G-CSF products to only indicate Zarxio which is the preferred product; references reviewed and updated.	05.02.22	08.22
Template changes applied to other diagnoses/indications.	09.21.22	
3Q 2023 annual review: no significant changes; separated the following requirement for additional clarity: Mozobil is prescribed to be administered for up to 4 consecutive days; references reviewed and updated.	04.18.23	08.23
For brand requests, added redirection to generic plerixafor.	11.28.23	02.24

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