



PRIOR AUTHORIZATION POLICY

- POLICY:** Oncology – Sprycel Prior Authorization Policy
- Sprycel® (dasatinib tablets – Bristol-Myers Squibb)

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OVERVIEW

Sprycel, a tyrosine kinase inhibitor (TKI), is indicated for the following uses:¹

- **Philadelphia chromosome positive (Ph+) acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL):**
 - In adults with resistance or intolerance to prior therapy.
 - In newly diagnosed pediatric patients \geq 1 year of age in combination with chemotherapy.
- **Ph+ chronic myeloid leukemia (CML):**
 - Chronic phase in newly diagnosed adults.
 - Chronic phase, accelerated, or myeloid or lymphoid blast phase, in adults with resistance or intolerance to prior therapy that included imatinib.
 - Chronic phase, in pediatric patients \geq 1 year of age.

Guidelines

Sprycel is addressed in guidelines from National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN):

- **ALL:** NCCN guidelines for adults and adolescents (version 1.2022 – April 4, 2022) recommend Sprycel for Ph+ disease in many different clinical circumstances (e.g., induction, consolidation therapy, maintenance, or relapsed or refractory disease) [category 2A].² TKIs in combination with other agents (e.g., chemotherapy or corticosteroids) are recommended for induction

therapy for Ph+ ALL. TKIs have also been incorporated into consolidation and maintenance therapy, as well as in the relapsed/refractory setting (category 2A). TKI options include: Bosulif® (bosutinib tablets), Sprycel, imatinib, Tasisa (nilotinib capsules), or Iclusig® (ponatinib tablets) [category 2A]. NCCN panel notes that not all TKIs have been directly studied within the context of each specific regimen and there are limited data for Bosulif in Ph+ ALL. Use of a specific TKI should account for anticipated/prior TKI intolerance and disease-related features. For adults and adolescents, Iclusig has activity against T315I mutations and/or in whom no other TKI is indicated (category 2A). NCCN guidelines for pediatric ALL (version 2.2023 – March 10, 2023) feature Sprycel prominently in a variety of clinical scenarios (mainly category 2A recommendations).³

- **Bone Cancer:** NCCN guidelines (version 3.2023 – April 4, 2023) recommend Sprycel for patients with chondrosarcoma as “other recommended regimens” for a patient with metastatic and widespread disease (category 2A).⁴ Sprycel is also recommended for chordoma as “other recommended regimens” (category 2A).
- **CML:** NCCN guidelines (version 2.2023 – April 13, 2023) recommend Sprycel as a preferred primary treatment for newly diagnosed chronic phase Ph+ CML with a low-, intermediate-, or high-risk score (category 1).⁵ Sprycel is also recommended as an alternative TKI treatment (after primary treatment with imatinib, Bosulif® [bosutinib tablets], or Tasisa® [nilotinib capsules]) for BCR::ABL1 transcript levels (category 2A). Sprycel is also recommended in a variety of other situations, including post-allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplant (category 2A).
- **Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumor:** NCCN guidelines (version 1.2023 – March 13, 2023) recommend Sprycel as a second-line therapy as “other recommended regimens” for unresectable, progressive or metastatic disease in patients with platelet-derived growth factor receptor alpha [*PDGFRA*] exon 18 mutations that are insensitive to imatinib (including the *PDGFRA* D842V mutation).⁶
- **Melanoma: Cutaneous:** NCCN guidelines (version 2.2023 – March 10, 2023) recommend Sprycel as “useful in certain circumstances” for metastatic or unresectable disease with an activating *KIT* mutation as second-line or subsequent therapy for disease progression, intolerance, and/or projected risk of progression with *BRAF*-targeted therapy.⁷
- **Myeloid/Lymphoid Neoplasms with Eosinophilia and Tyrosine Kinase Gene Fusions:** NCCN guidelines (version 1.2023 – May 19, 2023) list Sprycel as a preferred therapy under “other recommended regimens” for chronic phase or blast phase disease with an *ABL1* rearrangement (category 2A).^{8,9} It is also recommended as treatment in combination with ALL- or acute myeloid leukemia-type induction chemotherapy followed by allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (HCT) (if eligible) for lymphoid, myeloid or mixed lineage neoplasms with eosinophilia and *ABL1* rearrangement in blast phase (category 2A).⁹

POLICY STATEMENT

Prior Authorization is recommended for prescription benefit coverage of Sprycel. All approvals are provided for the duration noted below.

• **Sprycel® (dasatinib tablets (Bristol-Myers Squibb)) is(are) covered as medically necessary when the following criteria is(are) met for FDA-approved indication(s) or other uses with supportive evidence (if applicable):**

FDA-Approved Indications

- 1. Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia.** Approve for 1 year if the patient has Philadelphia chromosome-positive acute lymphoblastic leukemia.
- 2. Chronic Myeloid Leukemia.** Approve for 1 year if the patient has Philadelphia chromosome-positive chronic myeloid leukemia.

Other Uses with Supportive Evidence

- 3. Bone Cancer.** Approve for 1 year if the patient meets the following criteria (A and B):
 - A)** Patient is \geq 18 years of age; AND
 - B)** Patient has chondrosarcoma or chordoma.
- 4. Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumor.** Approve for 1 year if the patient meets the following criteria (A and B):
 - A)** Patient is \geq 18 years of age; AND
 - B)** Patient has tried imatinib or Ayvakit (avapritinib tablets).
- 5. Melanoma, Cutaneous.** Approve for 1 year if the patient meets the following criteria (A, B, C, and D):
 - A)** Patient is \geq 18 years of age; AND
 - B)** Patient has metastatic or unresectable disease; AND
 - C)** Patient has an activating *KIT* mutation; AND
 - D)** Patient has tried at least one systemic regimen.

Note: Examples of a systemic regimen include: Opdivo (nivolumab intravenous infusion) + Yervoy (ipilimumab intravenous infusion), Opdivo + Opdualag (nivolumab/relatlimab-rmbw intravenous infusion), Keytruda (pembrolizumab intravenous infusion), Opdivo, Tafinlar (dabrafenib capsules) + Mekinist (trametinib tablets), Zelboraf (vemurafenib tablets) + Cotellic (cobimetinib tablets), Braftovi (encorafenib capsules) + Mektovi (binimetinib tablets).
- 6. Myeloid/Lymphoid Neoplasms with Eosinophilia.** Approve for 1 year if the patient meets the following criteria (A and B):
 - A)** Patient is \geq 18 years of age; AND
 - B)** The tumor has an *ABL1* rearrangement.

CONDITIONS NOT COVERED

• **Sprycel® (dasatinib tablets (Bristol-Myers Squibb)) is(are) considered experimental, investigational or unproven for ANY other use(s).**

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HISTORY

Type of Revision	Summary of Changes	Review Date
Annual Revision	Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumor: Criteria changed from requiring that the patient has tried imatinib or Ayvakit (avapritinib tablets); Sutent (sunitinib capsules); Stivarga (regorafenib tablets); AND Qinlock (ripretinib tablets) to requiring only that the patient has tried imatinib or Ayvakit.	05/04/2022
Selected Revision	Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia: The approval duration was changed from 3 years to 1 year. Chronic Myeloid Leukemia: The approval duration was changed from 3 years to 1 year. Chondrosarcoma or Chordoma: The approval duration was changed from 3 years to 1 year. Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumor: The approval duration was changed from 3 years to 1 year. Myeloid/Lymphoid Neoplasms with Eosinophilia: The approval duration was changed from 3 years to 1 year.	06/22/2022
Annual Revision	Bone Cancer: The condition of approval of chondrosarcoma or chordoma was reworded to bone cancer and criterion was added which states that patient has chondrosarcoma or chordoma.	05/31/2023

	Melanoma, Cutaneous: This new condition of approval was added to "Other Uses With Supportive Evidence" section based on NCCN guideline recommendations.	
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