



Drug Coverage Policy

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Policy Title.....Cabliivi

Hematology – Cabliivi

- Cabliivi® (caplacizumab-yhdp intravenous infusion and subcutaneous injection – Genzyme/Sanofi)

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Overview

Cabliivi, a von Willebrand factor (vWF)-directed antibody fragment, is indicated for the treatment of **acquired thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura** (aTTP) in adults, in combination with plasma exchange and immunosuppressive therapy.¹

Disease Overview

Thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura (TTP) is a rare but potentially fatal blood disorder.²⁻⁴ TTP may be caused by an inherited severe deficiency of plasma ADAMTS13 (A Disintegrin and Metalloproteinase with ThromboSpondin-1 motif, member 13) activity resulting from mutations; this is referred to as hereditary or congenital TTP. More commonly, TTP is acquired and due to autoantibodies that inhibit plasma ADAMTS13 activity, referred to as immune-mediated (or acquired) TTP (iTTP). Reduced ADAMTS13 activity leads to accumulation of ultra-large vWF multimers in the blood, which bind to platelets and lead to excessive platelet clumping in the microvasculature, resulting in multi-organ failure and death.²⁻⁵ Cablivi is a nanobody that targets the ultra-large vWF and inhibits the interaction between vWF and platelets, thereby preventing vWF platelet adhesion and consumption.^{1,5,6}

Dosing Information

Two doses of Cablivi are given on the first day of plasma exchange, followed by one dose of Cablivi per day during plasma exchange; treatment is continued for 30 days after the last plasma exchange session.¹ If, after the initial treatment course, there are signs of persistent underlying disease such as suppressed ADAMTS13 levels, Cablivi therapy may be extended for a maximum of 28 days. Cablivi should be discontinued if the patient experiences more than two recurrences of aTTP while on Cablivi.

Guidelines/Recommendations

The standard of care for treatment of aTTP is plasma exchange and glucocorticoids.⁷ Plasma exchange removes the ultra-large vWF and autoantibodies and replenishes ADAMTS13, and immunosuppressants inhibit autoantibody formation. Rituximab can also be added to the aTTP treatment regimen. Rituximab has been shown to reduce the incidence of aTTP relapse by diminishing the production of anti-ADAMTS13 antibodies and restoring ADAMTS13 activity.²

The International Society on Thrombosis and Haemostasis (ISTH) formed a multidisciplinary panel including hematologists and pathologists with clinical expertise in the diagnosis and management of TTP, clinicians from other relevant disciplines, and patient representatives to issue recommendations about treatment of TTP (2020).⁸ For patients with aTTP or iTTP experiencing an acute event (first event or relapse), the panel suggests using Cablivi over not using Cablivi. The panel stressed that Cablivi should only be given under the guidance of an experienced clinician, ideally a TTP expert (e.g., a hematologist or pathologist specialized in transfusion medicine with previous experience in treating the disease).

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POLICY STATEMENT

Prior Authorization is recommended for prescription benefit coverage of Cablivi. All approvals are provided for the duration noted below. In cases where the approval is authorized in months, 1 month is equal to 30 days. Because of the specialized skills required for evaluation and diagnosis of patients treated with Cablivi as well as the monitoring required for adverse events and long-term efficacy, approval requires Cablivi to be prescribed by a physician who has consulted with or who specializes in the condition.

Cablivi is considered medically necessary when the following criteria are met:

FDA-Approved Indication

- 1. Acquired Thrombotic Thrombocytopenic Purpura.** Approve for one course of treatment (up to 60 days following the last plasma exchange session) if the patient meets the following (A, B, C, D, and E):

- A) Patient \geq 18 years of age; AND
- B) Cablivi was initiated in the inpatient setting, in combination with plasma exchange therapy; AND
- C) Patient is currently receiving at least one immunosuppressive therapy; AND
 Note: Examples include systemic corticosteroids, rituximab (or a rituximab product), cyclosporine, cyclophosphamide, mycophenolate mofetil, hydroxychloroquine, bortezomib.
- D) If the patient has previously received Cablivi, he/she has not had more than two recurrences of acquired thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura while on Cablivi; AND
- E) The medication is prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist.

Dosing. Approve the following dosing regimens:

- A) Day 1 of treatment with plasma exchange: Two doses of Cablivi (11 mg intravenous [IV] bolus prior to plasma exchange followed by an 11 mg subcutaneous [SC] dose after completion of plasma exchange); AND
- B) 11 mg SC injection up to once daily; AND
- C) Do not exceed 60 doses following the last plasma exchange session

Cablivi for any other use is considered not medically necessary. Criteria will be updated as new published data are available.

Coding Information

Note: 1) This list of codes may not be all-inclusive.
 2) Deleted codes and codes which are not effective at the time the service is rendered may not be eligible for reimbursement.

Considered Medically Necessary when criteria in the applicable policy statements listed above are met:

HCPCS Codes	Description
C9047	Injection, caplacizumab-yhdp, 1 mg

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