

ESMO Study of formulary listing, out of pocket cost and actual availability of anti neoplastic agents in Europe

Preliminary Findings

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Background

Project background

- ESMO is committed to assuring timely and optimal treatment of cancer patients.
- The availability of opioids and anti-neoplastic medicines directly affects the daily practice of ESMO members and their ability to treat cancer patients according to the ESMO Clinical Practice Guidelines.
- Affordability of medications impacts on just distribution of care

Common issues with anti-neoplastic agents

■ Limitations in formulary

- No comprehensive mapping of formularies in Europe

■ Actual availability

- Recent drug shortages

■ Barriers to access to expensive drugs

- Resource allocation issues
- High out of pocket expense

Study development, design, methodology

Aims of the Study

■ To Evaluate in Europe

1. formulary availability of licensed anti-neoplastic medicines across Europe
2. Patient out of pocket cost for the medication
3. Pre approval requirements and delays
4. The actual availability of the medication for a patient with a valid prescription
5. Factor adversely impacting availability

Project leaders

■ Alexandru Eniu, Romania

- ESMO Emerging Countries Committee Chair

■ Nathan Cherny, Israel

- ESMO Palliative Care Working Group Chair

■ ESMO Committees involved in developing and completing the survey

- ESMO Membership and National Representatives Committee
- ESMO Public Policy Committee
- ESMO Educational Committee
- ESMO Community Oncology Working Group

Coordinating and Collaborating Partners

■ Coordinating Organization

■ ESMO

■ Collaborating Project Partners

1. World Health Organization (WHO)
2. Union for International Cancer Control (UICC)
3. Institute of Cancer Policy, Kings College, London
4. European Medicines Agency (EMA)
5. European Society of Oncology Pharmacy (ESOP)



Survey development

- Modelled on previous opioid studies
- Highlights common oncologic conditions
- 2 parts
 1. General questions about health care system
 2. Formulary assessment for 13 diseases

Diseases surveyed

- Breast Cancer
- Lung Cancer
- Colorectal Cancer
- Prostate Cancer
- Ovarian Cancer
- Sarcoma
- Pancreatic cancer
- Germ cell Tumors
- Renal cell Cancer
- GIST
- Urothelial Cancers
- Gastric and esophageal cancer
- Melanoma

General Questions regarding health care system

General Questions

Does the country have a National Essential Medicines List that includes anti cancer drugs?	Yes	No
Does the country have a national oncology association?	Yes	No
Are cancer medications covered by national insurance?	Yes	No
Is generic substitution allowed in your country?	Yes	No
Is oncology pharmacy service provided in your country?	Yes	No

Which of the following would best describe the national health care system in your country

1. a nationalized government run health care service for all citizens without an option for supplementary insurance
2. a nationalized government run health care service for all citizens with an option for supplementary insurance
3. a nationalized government run health care service for ALL uninsured citizens
4. a nationalized government run health care service ONLY for impoverished and or elderly uninsured citizens
5. a network of government funded but privately administered health management organizations WITHOUT an option for supplementary insurance
6. a network of government funded but privately administered health management organizations WITH an option for supplementary insurance

Example of form :Metastatic Breast Cancer

BREAST CANCER (METASTATIC)

	Is it permitted to prescribe the medication for this indication?		Is the medicine reimbursed for this indication?		Does reimbursement require pre-authorisation?		Does the pre-authorisation process delay treatment by more than 4 weeks?		Cost of medication to patients (What proportion of the full retail price does the AVERAGE PATIENT have to pay?)					Actual availability when needed for most patients in your country (Can patients actually get the medication when it is prescribed?)					If the medication is not always available, what are the reasons for this (one or more)?				
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Free	<25% cost	25-50% cost	Discount <50%	Full cost	Always	Usually	Half the time	Occasionally	Never	No / unreliable supplier	No commercial motive *	Parallel export **	Manufacturing problems	Budget capitation ***
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Anastrozole	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Bevacizumab	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Capecitabine	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Carboplatinum	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cisplatinum	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cyclophosphamide IV	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cyclophosphamide (tablets)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Denosumab	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Docetaxel	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Doxorubicin	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Epirubicin	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Eribulin	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Identification of data reporters

- National representatives
- Known credible professionals nominated by coordinating and collaborating partners
- Minimum of 2 reporters for each country nominated
- Total 185 from 49 countries

Data Collection and Management

- Electronic dissemination of surveys and automated data entry
- Crosschecking data entry and clarification of discrepancies between reporters
- Conflicting data (Individual reporters, multiple reporters)
 - Priority given to highly credentialed reporters
 - Representative data presented
- Open peer review of preliminary representative data (planned)

Color coded tabulated data presentation

- Color coded tabulated data presentation
- Methodology developed on ESMO Opioid studies
- Established and widely endorsed clarity
- Readily allow cross country comparisons
- Facilitates presentation of changes over time

Expected results and outcomes: General

■ Identification of inequalities in availability and patient costs

■ Potential Users

1. European Medicines Agency (EMA)
2. European Union (EU)
3. WHO
4. Ministries of Health in improving national cancer control plans.
5. National cancer organizations
6. Patient advocacy organizations

■ Future Uses

- Cross correlation with essential drug lists
- Evaluation of formulary priorities

Results

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- 102/185 responses from 46/49 countries
- Respondents
 - 25 oncology pharmacists (22 countries)
 - 77 oncologists
 - 74 Academic cancer centers or hospitals

Diseases with high levels of variability in cost and availability

Renal cell

Melanoma

Renal Cell: Formulary and cost

	RENAL CELL: Formulary and Cost											
Country:	Pazopanib	Sorafenib	Sunitinib	Axitinib	Everolimus	Temsirolimus	Bevacizumab	High dose IL-2	IFN	Pamidronate	Zolederonate	Denosomab
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Renal Cell : Preapproval requirements and delays >4 weeks

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Belarus	Usually	Usually	Not available	Usually	Not available	Usually	Not available	Occasionally	Not available	Not available
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Usually	Usually	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Usually	Usually	Not available	Not available
Bulgaria	Usually	Usually	Not available	Not available	Not available	Usually	Occasionally	Usually	Not available	Not available
Croatia	Not available	Usually	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Usually	Not available	Not available
Czech Republic	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Not available	Usually	Usually
Estonia	Usually	Usually	Never	Never	Occasionally	Never	Never	Occasionally	Occasionally	Occasionally
Georgia	Usually	Usually	Never	Never	Never	Usually	Never	Never	Never	Never
Hungary	Usually	Usually	Occasionally	Usually	Not available	Not available	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Kosovo, Republic of	Usually	Usually	Not available	Not available	Not available	Usually	Not available	Not available	Not available	Usually
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Montenegro	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Poland	Not available	Usually	Never	Never	Not available	Not available	Not available	Usually	Never	Never
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Melanoma : Preapproval requirements and delays >4 weeks

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Diseases with segmental of variability in cost and availability

Sarcoma

Lung Cancer

Breast Cancer

Colorectal Cancer

Ovarian Cancer

Lung Cancer: Formulary and cost

	LUNG CANCER :Chemothotherapy Formulary and Cost											
Country:	Carboplatin um	Cisplatinum	Docetaxel	Doxorubicin	Etoposide IV	Etoposide (tablets)	Gemcitabine	Paclitaxel	Pemetrexed	Topotecan	Vinorelbine (IV)	Vinorelbine (Tablets)
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	LUNG CANCER : Biological and Bone Formulary and Cost					
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Colorectal: Formulary and cost

COLORECTAL CANCER : Formulary and cost

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Austria											
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Bulgaria	Not available	Occasionally	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Occasionally	Occasionally	Not available	Not available	Not available
Croatia	Not available	Not available	Not available	Occasionally	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available
Czech Republic	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available
Estonia	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Never	Never	Never
Georgia	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Occasionally	Never	Never	Never	Never
Hungary	Not available	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Not available	Not available	Never	Not available	Not available	Usually
Kosovo, Republic of	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available
Kyrgyzstan	Occasionally	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Occasionally	Occasionally	Occasionally	Never	Occasionally	Never
Latvia	Not available	Usually	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Usually	Usually	Not available
Lithuania	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Usually	Usually	Occasionally	Never	Never	Occasionally
Macedonia	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Never	Never	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available
Malta	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Montenegro	Not available	Not available	Not available	Usually	Not available	Not available	Not available	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
PolandR	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Never	Never	Never
Romania	Not available	Not available	Not available	Occasionally	Not available	Not available	Not available	Never	Never	Never	Never
Russian Federation	Usually	Not available	Usually	Not available	Usually	Occasionally	Occasionally	Occasionally	Never	Never	Occasionally
SerbiaR	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available
Slovenia	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Usually	Occasionally	Occasionally	Not available	Usually
Slovakia	Not available	Usually	Usually	Usually	Not available	Not available	Usually	Not available	Usually	Not available	Not available
Ukraine	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Uzbekistan	Occasionally	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Occasionally	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available

Not available	Always
Usually	Usually
Half the time	Half the time
Occasionally	Occasionally
Never	Never
Not available	Not available

Colorectal : Preapproval requirements and delays >4 weeks

[illegible]

[illegible]

Diseases with less variability

Adjuvant Breast Cancer

Gastric

Germ Cell

Urothelial

Germ Cell: Formulary and cost

GERM CELL: Formulary and Cost

Country:	Bleomycin	Etoposide	Cisplatin	Carboplatin	Docetaxel	Paclitaxel	Gemcitabine	Ifosfamide	Vinblastine	Vincristine
Austria										
Belgium										
Cyprus										
Denmark										
Finland										
France										
Germany										
Greece										
Holland										
Ireland										
Israel										
Italy										
Luxembourg										
Norway										
Portugal										
Spain										
Sweden										
Switzerland										
Turkey										
United Kingdom										

	Free
	<25% cost
	25-50% cost
	Discount <50%
	Full cost
	Not available

GERM CELL: Formulary and Cost

Country:	Bleomycin	Etoposide	Cisplatin	Carboplatin	Docetaxel	Paclitaxel	Gemcitabine	Ifosfamide	Vinblastine	Vincristine
Albania										
Armenia										
Belarus										
Bosnia and Herzegovina										
Bulgaria										
Croatia										
Czech Republic										
Estonia										
Georgia										
Hungary										
Kosovo, Republic of										
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Macedonia										
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	Full cost
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Germ Cell : Actual Availability

Country:	GERM CELL: Actual Availability									
	Bleomycin	Etoposide	Cisplatin	Carboplatin	Docetaxel	Paclitaxel	Gemcitabine	Ifosfamide	Vinblastine	Vincristine
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	Half the time
	Occasionally
	Never
	Not available

	GERM CELL: Actual Availability									
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Albania	Usually	Usually	Usually	Occasionally	Never	Occasionally	Never	Usually	Usually	Never
Armenia	Occasionally	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Belarus	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Never	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Never
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Bulgaria	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Never	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Croatia	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Czech Republic	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Estonia	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Georgia	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Hungary	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Kosovo, Republic of	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Kyrgyzstan	Occasionally	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Latvia	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Lithuania	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Never	Occasionally	Occasionally	Usually	Usually	Usually
Macedonia	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Never	Never	Usually	Usually	Usually
Malta	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Montenegro	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Poland	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Romania	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Russian Federation	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Serbia	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Never	Never	Never	Usually	Usually	Usually
Slovenia	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Occasionally	Usually	Usually
Slovakia	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Ukraine	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Uzbekistan	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually

Usually	Always
Usually	Usually
Usually	Half the time
Occasionally	Occasionally
Never	Never
Never	Not available

Urothelial : Formulary and cost

UROTHELIAL: Formulary and Cost

Country:	Carboplatinum	Cisplatinum	Docetaxel	Doxorubicin	Methotrexate	Paclitaxel	Vinblastine
Austria							
Belgium							
Cyprus							
Denmark							
Finland							
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Greece							
Holland							
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Norway							
Portugal							
Spain							
Sweden							
Switzerland							
Turkey							
United Kingdom							

	Free
	<25% cost
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	Discount <50%
	Full cost
	Not available

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Albania							
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Belarus							
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Country:	Carboplatinum	Cisplatinum	Docetaxel	Doxorubicin	Methotrexate	Paclitaxel	Vinblastine
Albania	Usually	Usually	Usually	Occasionally	Half the time	Occasionally	Half the time
Armenia	Occasionally	Usually	Half the time	Occasionally	Occasionally	Half the time	Half the time
Belarus	Always	Always	Never	Always	Always	Always	Always
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always
Bulgaria	Usually	Usually	Half the time	Half the time	Usually	Always	Usually
Croatia	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always
Czech Republic	Never	Never	Never	Never	Never	Never	Never
Estonia	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always
Georgia	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
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Macedonia	Always	Always	Never	Always	Always	Never	Always
Malta	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always
Montenegro	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always
Poland	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always
Romania	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always
Russian Federation	Usually	Always	Occasionally	Half the time	Usually	Occasionally	Always
Serbia	Always	Always	Never	Never	Always	Never	Always
Slovenia	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always
Slovakia	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Ukraine	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually	Usually
Uzbekistan	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always	Always

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Preliminary Conclusions

- There are substantial differences in formulary availability , out of pocket costs and actual availability for many medications
- These differences
 - Are more profound in Eastern European Countries
 - Are related to the cost of new agents
- The impact of these differences are most profound in diseases where outcomes are dependent on availability of expensive anticancer agents such as
 - EGFR or ALK mutated non small cell lung cancer
 - Melanoma
 - Renal Cell Cancer
 - RAS/RAF wild type colorectal cancer

Preliminary Conclusions 2

- These discrepancies are less pronounced in curative settings
 - This is best illustrated for Trastuzumab in adjuvant breast cancer which though expensive is generally subsidized and available in most countries
 - The discrepancies are even less when curative treatment do not require expensive therapies such as in Germ Cell Tumors
- Requirement for pre approval of treatments for purposes of coverage or reimbursement
 - is more common in Israel and many Eastern European Countries
 - is common for expensive anti cancer therapies
 - does not usually delay treatment by more than 4 weeks
 - Delays of more than 4 weeks caused by the pre-approval process tended to occur in specific countries in Eastern Europe (Albania, Armenia, Georgia, Romania)

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