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Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP)

Summary of opinion¹ (post authorisation)

Yervoy ipilimumab

On 30 January 2025, the Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP) adopted a positive opinion, recommending a change to the terms of the marketing authorisation for the medicinal product Yervoy. The marketing authorisation holder for this medicinal product is Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharma EEIG.

The CHMP adopted a new indication as follows:

Hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC)

YERVOY in combination with nivolumab is indicated for the first-line treatment of adult patients with unresectable or advanced hepatocellular carcinoma.

For information, the full indications for Yervoy will be as follows:²

Melanoma

YERVOY as monotherapy or in combination with nivolumab is indicated for the treatment of advanced (unresectable or metastatic) melanoma in adults and adolescents 12 years of age and older (see section 4.4).

Relative to nivolumab monotherapy, an increase in progression-free survival (PFS) and overall survival (OS) for the combination of nivolumab with ipilimumab is established only in patients with low tumour PD-L1 expression (see sections 4.4 and 5.1).

Renal cell carcinoma (RCC)

YERVOY in combination with nivolumab is indicated for the first-line treatment of adult patients with intermediate/poor-risk advanced renal cell carcinoma (see section 5.1).

Non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC)

¹ Summaries of positive opinion are published without prejudice to the Commission decision, which will normally be issued 67 days from adoption of the opinion

² New text in bold



YERVOY in combination with nivolumab and 2 cycles of platinum-based chemotherapy is indicated for the first-line treatment of metastatic non-small cell lung cancer in adults whose tumours have no sensitising EGFR mutation or ALK translocation.

Malignant pleural mesothelioma (MPM)

YERVOY in combination with nivolumab is indicated for the first-line treatment of adult patients with unresectable malignant pleural mesothelioma.

Mismatch repair deficient (dMMR) or microsatellite instability-high (MSI-H) colorectal cancer (CRC)

YERVOY in combination with nivolumab is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with mismatch repair deficient or microsatellite instability-high metastatic colorectal cancer after prior fluoropyrimidine-based combination chemotherapy (see section 5.1).

Oesophageal squamous cell carcinoma (OSCC)

YERVOY in combination with nivolumab is indicated for the first-line treatment of adult patients with unresectable advanced, recurrent or metastatic oesophageal squamous cell carcinoma with tumour cell PD-L1 expression $\geq 1\%$.

Hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC)

YERVOY in combination with nivolumab is indicated for the first-line treatment of adult patients with unresectable or advanced hepatocellular carcinoma.

Detailed recommendations for the use of this product will be described in the updated summary of product characteristics (SmPC), which will be published in the revised European public assessment report (EPAR) and made available in all official European Union languages after a decision on this change to the marketing authorisation has been granted by the European Commission.