

Dupilumab (new therapeutic indication: Eosinophilic oesophagitis, ≥ 12 years, min. 40 kg)

Resolution of: 21 September 2023 valid until: unlimited

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New therapeutic indication (according to the marketing authorisation of 23 January 2023):

Eosinophilic oesophagitis (EoE)

Dupixent is indicated for the treatment of eosinophilic oesophagitis in adults and adolescents 12 years and older, weighing at least 40 kg, who are inadequately controlled by, are intolerant to, or who are not candidates for conventional medicinal therapy.

Therapeutic indication of the resolution (resolution of 21 September 2023):

See new therapeutic indication according to marketing authorisation.

1. Additional benefit of the medicinal product in relation to the appropriate comparator therapy

Adults and adolescents 12 years and older with eosinophilic oesophagitis (EoE), who are inadequately controlled by, are intolerant to, or who are not candidates for conventional medicinal therapy

Appropriate comparator therapy for dupilumab:

 Therapy according to doctor's instructions, selecting budesonide as well as proton pump inhibitors (PPI)

Extent and probability of the additional benefit of dupilumab compared to the appropriate comparator therapy:

An additional benefit is not proven.

Study results according to endpoints:

Adults and adolescents 12 years and older with eosinophilic oesophagitis (EoE), who are inadequately controlled by, are intolerant to, or who are not candidates for conventional medicinal therapy

There are no assessable data for the benefit assessment.

Summary of results for relevant clinical endpoints

Endpoint category	Direction of effect/ risk of bias	Summary
Mortality	n.a.	There are no assessable data.
Morbidity	n.a.	There are no assessable data.
Health-related quality of life	n.a.	There are no assessable data.
Side effects	n.a.	There are no assessable data.
Evnlanations:		

Explanations:

↑: statistically significant and relevant positive effect with low/unclear reliability of data

↓: statistically significant and relevant negative effect with low/unclear reliability of data

 $\uparrow \uparrow$: statistically significant and relevant positive effect with high reliability of data

 $\downarrow \downarrow$: statistically significant and relevant negative effect with high reliability of data

∅: No data available.

n.a.: not assessable

2. Number of patients or demarcation of patient groups eligible for treatment

Adults and adolescents 12 years and older with eosinophilic oesophagitis (EoE), who are inadequately controlled by, are intolerant to, or who are not candidates for conventional medicinal therapy

approx. 3,900 - 4,400 patients

3. Requirements for a quality-assured application

The requirements in the product information are to be taken into account. The European Medicines Agency (EMA) provides the contents of the product information (summary of product characteristics, SmPC) for Dupixent (active ingredient: dupilumab) at the following publicly accessible link (last access: 7 August 2023):

https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/documents/product-information/dupixent-epar-product-information en.pdf

4. Treatment costs

Annual treatment costs:

Adults and adolescents 12 years and older with eosinophilic oesophagitis (EoE), who are inadequately controlled by, are intolerant to, or who are not candidates for conventional medicinal therapy

Designation of the therapy	Annual treatment costs/ patient		
Medicinal product to be assessed:			
Dupilumab	€ 31,291.26		
Appropriate comparator therapy:			
Budesonide	€ 2,102.98 - € 3,625.98		
Proton pump inhibitors			
Omeprazole	€ 70.66 - € 84.94		
Esomeprazole	€ 68.99 - € 84.44		
Pantoprazole	€ 65.52 - € 81.25		
Rabeprazole	€ 66.15 - € 77.88		
Lansoprazole	€ 66.15 - € 79.89		

Costs after deduction of statutory rebates (LAUER-TAXE®) as last revised: 1 September 2023

5. Designation of medicinal products with new active ingredients according to Section 35a, paragraph 3, sentence 4 SGB V that can be used in a combination therapy with the assessed medicinal product

In the context of the designation of medicinal products with new active ingredients pursuant to Section 35a, paragraph 3, sentence 4 SGB V, the following findings are made:

Adults and adolescents 12 years and older with eosinophilic oesophagitis (EoE), who are inadequately controlled by, are intolerant to, or who are not candidates for conventional medicinal therapy

 No medicinal product with new active ingredients that can be used in a combination therapy that fulfils the requirements of Section 35a, paragraph 3, sentence 4 SGB V.

The designation of combinations exclusively serves the implementation of the combination discount according to Section 130e SGB V between health insurance funds and pharmaceutical companies. The findings made neither restrict the scope of treatment required to fulfil the medical treatment mandate, nor do they make statements about expediency or economic feasibility.