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## Rolvedon

### Description

## Rolvedon (eflapegrastim-xnst)

#### **Background**

Rolvedon (eflapegrastim-xnst) is a recombinant human granulocyte growth factor that binds to granulocyte colony-stimulating factor (G-CSF) receptors on myeloid progenitor cells and neutrophils, triggering signaling pathways that control cell differentiation, proliferation, migration, and survival (1).

#### **Regulatory Status**

FDA-approved indication: Rolvedon is a leukocyte growth factor indicated to decrease the incidence of infection, as manifested by febrile neutropenia, in adult patients with non-myeloid malignancies receiving myelosuppressive anti-cancer drugs associated with clinically significant incidence of febrile neutropenia (1).

<u>Limitations of Use:</u> Rolvedon is not indicated for the mobilization of peripheral blood progenitor cells for hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (1).

Rolvedon contains warnings for the following: splenic rupture, acute respiratory distress syndrome, serious allergic reactions, sickle cell crisis in patients with sickle cell disorders, glomerulonephritis, leukocytosis, thrombocytopenia, capillary leak syndrome, potential for tumor growth stimulatory effects on malignant cells, myelodysplastic syndrome (MDS) and acute

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myeloid leukemia (AML) in patients with breast and lung cancer, aortitis, and nuclear imaging (1).

The safety and effectiveness of Rolvedon in pediatric patients less than 18 years of age have not been established (1).

#### **Related policies**

Leukine, Neulasta, Neupogen

#### **Policy**

This policy statement applies to clinical review performed for pre-service (Prior Approval, Precertification, Advanced Benefit Determination, etc.) and/or post-service claims.

Rolvedon may be considered medically necessary if the conditions indicated below are met.

Rolvedon may be considered investigational for all other indications.

# **Prior-Approval Requirements**

Age 18 years of age or older

#### Diagnoses

Patient must have **ONE** of the following:

- 1. Prophylaxis for chemotherapy induced febrile neutropenia
- 2. Treatment of chemotherapy induced febrile neutropenia

#### **AND** the following for **ALL** diagnoses:

 a. NOT used in combination with another granulocyte colony-stimulating factor (G-CSF)

# Prior - Approval Renewal Requirements

Same as above

## **Policy Guidelines**

#### Pre - PA Allowance

None

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# **Prior - Approval Limits**

**Duration** 6 months

## Prior - Approval Renewal Limits

Same as above

### Rationale

#### Summary

Rolvedon is a recombinant human granulocyte growth factor that binds to granulocyte colonystimulating factor (G-CSF) receptors and is indicated to decrease the incidence of infection, as manifested by febrile neutropenia, in adult patients with non-myeloid malignancies receiving myelosuppressive anti-cancer drugs associated with clinically significant incidence of febrile neutropenia. The safety and effectiveness of Rolvedon in pediatric patients less than 18 years of age have not been established (1).

Prior authorization is required to ensure the safe, clinically appropriate, and cost-effective use of Rolvedon while maintaining optimal therapeutic outcomes.

#### References

- 1. Rolvedon [package insert]. Irvine, CA: Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; November 2023.
- 2. NCCN Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology® Hematopoietic Growth Factors 2025. National Comprehensive Cancer Network, Inc. Accessed on January 13, 2025.

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