



## PRIOR AUTHORIZATION POLICY

- POLICY:** Oncology – Ojjaara Prior Authorization Policy
- Ojjaara™ (mometotinib tablets – GlaxoSmithKline)

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## **CIGNA NATIONAL FORMULARY COVERAGE:**

### **OVERVIEW**

Ojjaara, a Janus Kinase (JAK1/JAK2) inhibitor and activin A receptor type 1 (ACVR1) inhibitor (also known as activin receptor like kinase 2 [ALK2]), is indicated for the treatment of **intermediate or high-risk myelofibrosis (MF)**, including primary MF or secondary MF (post-polycythemia vera and post-essential thrombocythemia), in adults with **anemia**.<sup>1</sup>

### **Guidelines**

Ojjaara is discussed in the guidelines from National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN):

- **Myeloid/Lymphoid Neoplasms with Eosinophilia and Tyrosine Kinase Gene Fusions:** NCCN guidelines (version 1.2026 – October 3, 2025) state to consider Ojjaara for the treatment of myeloid/lymphoid neoplasms with eosinophilia and JAK2 rearrangement in chronic or blast phase<sup>2</sup> The guidelines also state to consider treatment in combination with acute lymphoblastic

leukemia (ALL)- or acute myeloid leukemia (AML)-type induction chemotherapy, and followed by allogeneic hematopoietic cell transplant (HCT) [if eligible] for lymphoid, myeloid or mixed phenotype neoplasms with eosinophilia and *JAK2* rearrangement in blast phase. These recommendations are specifically for unavailability of or intolerance to Jakafi® (ruxolitinib tablets), according to prescribing instructions (both category 2A).

- **Myeloproliferative Neoplasms:** NCCN guidelines (version 1.2026 – January 22, 2026) classify risk stratification for MF into two groupings: lower-risk disease and higher-risk disease.<sup>2</sup> For patients with higher-risk MF with platelet count  $\geq 50 \times 10^9/L$  who are not transplant candidates or transplant is not feasible and who have symptomatic splenomegaly and/or constitutional symptoms, Jakafi® (ruxolitinib tablets) [category 1], Inrebic® (fedratinib capsules) [category 1], Ojjaara (category 2A), or Vonjo® (pacritinib capsules) [category 2B] are recommended; for patients who had no response or loss of response to initial therapy, Jakafi, Inrebic, Ojjaara (all category 2A), or Vonjo (category 2B) are recommended if they were not previously used. For patients with higher-risk MF with platelet count  $< 50 \times 10^9/L$  who are not candidates for transplant or transplant is not currently feasible, NCCN recommends Vonjo as a “Preferred Regimen” therapy (category 1) and Ojjaara as “other recommended regimens” (category 2B). For lower-risk symptomatic patients with MF, Ojjaara is considered “useful in certain circumstances” for first-line therapy or for patients who had no response or loss of response to first-line therapy (category 2B). Ojjaara is recommended for the management of MF-associated anemia in patients with symptomatic splenomegaly and/or constitutional symptoms as “Preferred Regimen” (category 1) or currently controlled on a JAK inhibitor as “useful in certain circumstances” (category 2A). For patients with MF-associated anemia with no symptomatic splenomegaly and/or constitutional symptoms, Ojjaara is recommended as “other recommended regimens” (category 2B). JAK inhibitors are also recommended for accelerated or blast phase myeloproliferative neoplasms for the palliation of splenomegaly or other disease-related symptoms (category 2A). Some examples of disease-related symptoms of myeloproliferative neoplasms include fatigue, fever, night sweats, weight loss, abdominal discomfort, splenomegaly, thrombocytosis, or leukocytosis.

## **POLICY STATEMENT**

Prior Authorization is recommended for prescription benefit coverage of Ojjaara. All approvals are provided for the duration noted below.

- **Ojjaara™ (momelotinib tablets - GlaxoSmithKline)**  
**is(are) covered as medically necessary when the following criteria is(are) met for FDA-approved indication(s) or other uses with supportive evidence (if applicable):**

### **FDA-Approved Indication**

- 1. Myelofibrosis.** Approve for 1 year if the patient meets BOTH of the following (A and B):

Note: This includes primary myelofibrosis, post-polycythemia vera myelofibrosis, and post-essential thrombocythemia myelofibrosis.

**A)** Patient is  $\geq$  18 years of age; AND

**B)** Patient meets ONE of the following (i, ii, or iii):

i. Patient has higher-risk disease; OR

ii. Patient meets BOTH of the following (a and b):

a) Patient has lower-risk disease; AND

b) Patient has at least one disease-related symptom; OR

Note: Examples of disease-related symptoms include: fatigue, fever, night sweats, weight loss, abdominal discomfort, splenomegaly, thrombocytosis, or leukocytosis.

iii. Patient has myelofibrosis-associated anemia.

### Other Uses with Supportive Evidence

**2. Accelerated or Blast Phase Myeloproliferative Neoplasm.** Approve for 1 year if the patient meets BOTH of the following (A and B)

**A)** Patient is  $\geq$  18 years of age; AND

**B)** Patient has at least one disease-related symptom.

Note: Examples of disease-related symptoms include: fatigue, fever, night sweats, weight loss, abdominal discomfort, splenomegaly, thrombocytosis, or leukocytosis.

**3. Myeloid or Lymphoid Neoplasms.** Approve for 1 year if the patient meets ALL of the following (A, B, C, and D):

**A)** Patient is  $\geq$  18 years of age; AND

**B)** Patient has eosinophilia; AND

**C)** The tumor has a Janus Associated Kinase 2 (JAK2) rearrangement; AND

**D)** Patient has tried Jakafi (ruxolitinib tablets).

### CONDITIONS NOT COVERED

- **Ojjaara™ (momelotinib tablets - GlaxoSmithKline)**

**is(are) considered not medically necessary for ANY other use(s); criteria will be updated as new published data are available.**

### REFERENCES

1. Ojjaara™ tablets [prescribing information]. Durham, NC: GlaxoSmithKline; April 2025.
2. The NCCN Myeloid/Lymphoid Neoplasms with Eosinophilia and Tyrosine Kinase Gene Fusions Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology (version 1.2026 – October 3, 2025). © 2025 National Comprehensive Cancer Network. Available at: <http://www.nccn.org>. Accessed February 4, 2026.
3. The NCCN Myeloproliferative Neoplasms Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology (version 1.2026 – January 22, 2026). © 2026 National Comprehensive Cancer Network. Available at: <http://www.nccn.org>. Accessed on February 4, 2026.

Type of Revision	Summary of Changes	Review Date
Early Annual Revision	<b>Myelofibrosis:</b> For a patient with anemia, the requirement that “patient has serum erythropoietin level $\geq$ 500 mU/mL” was removed	02/14/2024

	and a requirement that the "patient has symptomatic splenomegaly and/or constitutional symptoms" was added.	
Annual Revision	<p><b>Myelofibrosis:</b> The following qualifier patient has "intermediate-risk or high-risk disease" was changed to "higher-risk disease." The following qualifier for approval was added, "patient has lower-risk disease and has at least one disease-related symptom" with a note of examples of disease-related symptoms. The qualifier of "anemia" was changed to "myelofibrosis-associated anemia." For a patient with myelofibrosis-associated anemia, the requirements of hemoglobin &lt; 10 g/dL and symptomatic splenomegaly and/or constitutional symptoms with the note of examples of constitutional symptoms were removed. The following qualifier for approval "patient has platelet count <math>\geq 50 \times 10^9/L</math>" was removed.</p> <p><b>Accelerated or Blast Phase Myeloproliferative Neoplasm:</b> Condition of approval and criteria were added to "Other Uses with Supportive Evidence."</p>	02/19/2025
Annual Revision	<p><b>Myeloid or Lymphoid Neoplasms:</b> Condition of approval and criteria were added to "Other Uses with Supportive Evidence."</p>	02/11/2026

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