



Summary of Investigation Results

Pembrolizumab (genetical recombination)

January 10, 2024

Non-proprietary name

Pembrolizumab (genetical recombination)

Brand name (marketing authorization holder)

Keytruda Injection 100 mg (MSD K.K.)

Japanese market launch

February 2017

Indications

- Malignant melanoma
- Unresectable, advanced or recurrent non-small cell lung cancer
- Relapsed or refractory classical Hodgkin lymphoma
- Radically unresectable urothelial carcinoma that has progressed after cancer chemotherapy
- Advanced or recurrent microsatellite instability-high (MSI-High) solid tumours that have progressed after cancer chemotherapy (limited to patients who are refractory or intolerant to standard treatments)
- Radically unresectable or metastatic renal cell carcinoma
- Postoperative adjuvant therapy for renal cell carcinoma
- Recurrent or metastatic head and neck cancer
- Radically unresectable advanced or recurrent oesophageal carcinoma
- Unresectable, advanced or recurrent microsatellite instability-high (MSI-High) colorectal cancer
- PD-L1-positive, hormone receptor-negative and HER2-negative inoperable or recurrent

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breast cancer

- Pre- and postoperative adjuvant therapy for hormone receptor-negative and HER2-negative breast cancer at high risk of recurrence
- Unresectable, advanced or recurrent endometrial carcinoma that has progressed after cancer chemotherapy
- Advanced or recurrent, tumour mutational burden-high (TMB-High) solid tumours that have progressed after cancer chemotherapy (limited to patients who are refractory or intolerant to standard treatments)
- Advanced or recurrent cervical cancer
- Recurrent or refractory primary mediastinal large B-cell lymphoma

Summary of revisions

“Myelitis” should be added to the Clinically Significant Adverse Reactions section in ADVERSE REACTIONS.

Investigation results and background of the revision

Cases involving myelitis were evaluated. Cases for which a causal relationship between pembrolizumab (genetical recombination) and myelitis was reasonably possible have been reported. As a result of consultation with expert advisors regarding the causality assessment of the cases and the necessity of revision of PRECAUTIONS, the MHLW/PMDA concluded that revision of PRECAUTIONS was necessary.

Reference: Number of cases* and patient mortalities involving myelitis reported in Japan and overseas

A total of 5 cases have been reported in Japan to date (including 2 cases for which a causal relationship between the drug and event was reasonably possible).

No patient mortalities have been reported in Japan to date.

A total of 32 cases have been reported overseas to date (including 10 cases for which a causal relationship between the drug and event was reasonably possible).

One instance of patient mortality has been reported overseas to date. (A causal relationship between the drug and death subsequent to the event could not be established for this



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*Cases collected in the PMDA's database for adverse drug reactions, etc. reports

The expert advisors present at the Expert Discussion regarding the current investigation were nominated based on their conflict of interest declarations concerning the relevant products, pursuant to the "Rules for Convening Expert Discussions, etc., by the Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency" (PMDA Administrative Rule No. 20-8, dated December 25, 2008).