#### HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

These highlights do not include all the information needed to use ERBITUX safely and effectively. See full prescribing information for ERBITUX.

ERBITUX<sup>®</sup> (cetuximab) injection, for intravenous infusion Initial U.S. Approval: 2004

# WARNING: SERIOUS INFUSION REACTIONS and CARDIOPULMONARY ARREST

See full prescribing information for complete boxed warning.

- Serious infusion reactions, some fatal, occurred in approximately 3% of patients. (5.1)
- Cardiopulmonary arrest and/or sudden death occurred in 2% of patients with squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck treated with Erbitux and radiation therapy and in 3% of patients with squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck treated with cetuximab in combination with platinum-based therapy with 5-fluorouracil (5-FU). Closely monitor serum electrolytes, including serum magnesium, potassium, and calcium, during and after Erbitux administration. (5.2, 5.6)

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INDICATIONS AND USAGE	

Erbitux <sup>®</sup> is an epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) antagonist indicated for treatment of:

#### **Head and Neck Cancer**

- Locally or regionally advanced squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck in combination with radiation therapy. (1.1, 14.1)
- Recurrent locoregional disease or metastatic squamous cell carcinoma
  of the head and neck in combination with platinum-based therapy with
  5-FU. (1.1, 14.1)
- Recurrent or metastatic squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck progressing after platinum-based therapy. (1.1, 14.1)

#### **Colorectal Cancer**

- As a single agent, EGFR-expressing metastatic colorectal cancer after failure of both irinotecan- and oxaliplatin-based regimens or in patients who are intolerant to irinotecan-based regimens. (1.2, 14.2)
- In combination with irinotecan, EGFR-expressing metastatic colorectal carcinoma in patients who are refractory to irinotecan-based chemotherapy. Approval is based on objective response rate; no data are available demonstrating an improvement in increased survival. (1.2, 14.2)

 Retrospective subset analyses of metastatic or advanced colorectal cancer trials have not shown a treatment benefit for Erbitux in patients whose tumors had KRAS mutations in codon 12 or 13. Use of Erbitux is not recommended for the treatment of colorectal cancer with these mutations. (1.2, 12.1, 14.2)

#### -----DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION-----

- Premedicate with an H<sub>1</sub> antagonist. (2.3)
- Administer 400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> initial dose as a 120-minute intravenous infusion followed by 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup> weekly infused over 60 minutes. (2.1, 2.2)
- Initiate Erbitux one week prior to initiation of radiation therapy.
   Complete Erbitux administration 1 hour prior to platinum-based therapy with 5-FU. (2.1)
- Reduce the infusion rate by 50% for NCI CTC Grade 1 or 2 infusion reactions and non-serious NCI CTC Grade 3 infusion reaction. (2.4)
- Permanently discontinue for serious infusion reactions. (2.4)
- Withhold infusion for severe, persistent acneiform rash. Reduce dose for recurrent, severe rash. (2.4)

#### -----DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS-----

- 100 mg/50 mL, single-use vial (3)
- 200 mg/100 mL, single-use vial (3)

#### ------CONTRAINDICATIONS-----

None (4)

#### ------WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS-----

- **Infusion Reactions:** Immediately stop and permanently discontinue Erbitux for serious infusion reactions. Monitor patients following infusion. (5.1)
- Cardiopulmonary Arrest: Closely monitor serum electrolytes during and after Erbitux. (5.2, 5.6)
- Pulmonary Toxicity: Interrupt therapy for acute onset or worsening of pulmonary symptoms. (5.3)
- Dermatologic Toxicity: Limit sun exposure. Monitor for inflammatory or infectious sequelae. (2.4, 5.4)
- Hypomagnesemia: Periodically monitor during and for at least 8 weeks following the completion of Erbitux. Replete electrolytes as necessary. (5.6)

#### ----ADVERSE REACTIONS-----

The most common adverse reactions (incidence  $\geq$ 25%) are: cutaneous adverse reactions (including rash, pruritus, and nail changes), headache, diarrhea, and infection. (6)

**To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact** Bristol-Myers Squibb at 1-800-721-5072 **or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or www.fda.gov/medwatch** 

#### -----USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS-----

- Pregnancy: Administer Erbitux to a pregnant woman only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus. (8.1)
- Nursing Mothers: Discontinue nursing during and for 60 days following treatment with Erbitux. (8.3)

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2	WARNING: SERIOUS INFUSION REACTIONS and						
3	CARDIOPULMONARY ARREST						
4	Infusion Reactions: Serious infusion reactions occurred with the administration of						
5	Erbitux in approximately 3% of patients in clinical trials, with fatal outcome reported in						
6	less than 1 in 1000. [See Warnings and Precautions (5.1), Adverse Reactions (6).]						
7	Immediately interrupt and permanently discontinue Erbitux infusion for serious infusion						
8	reactions. [See Dosage and Administration (2.4), Warnings and Precautions (5.1).]						
9	Cardiopulmonary Arrest: Cardiopulmonary arrest and/or sudden death occurred in						
10	2% of patients with squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck treated with Erbitux						
11	and radiation therapy in Study 1 and in 3% of patients with squamous cell carcinoma of						
12	the head and neck treated with European Union (EU)-approved cetuximab in						
13	combination with platinum-based therapy with 5-fluorouracil (5-FU) in Study 2. Closely						
14	monitor serum electrolytes, including serum magnesium, potassium, and calcium, during						
15	and after Erbitux administration. [See Warnings and Precautions (5.2, 5.6), Clinical						
16	Studies (14.1).]						
17	1 INDICATIONS AND USAGE						
18 19	1.1 Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Head and Neck (SCCHN)						
20	Erbitux <sup>®</sup> is indicated in combination with radiation therapy for the initial treatment of						
21	locally or regionally advanced squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck. [See						
22	Clinical Studies (14.1).]						
22	Cimear Statics (17.17).						
23	Erbitux is indicated in combination with platinum-based therapy with 5-FU for the first-						
24	line treatment of patients with recurrent locoregional disease or metastatic squamous cell						
	carcinoma of the head and neck. [See <i>Clinical Studies</i> (14.1).]						
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26	Erbitux, as a single agent, is indicated for the treatment of patients with recurrent or						

### 1.2 Colorectal Cancer

- 30 Erbitux, as a single agent, is indicated for the treatment of epidermal growth factor
- 31 receptor (EGFR)-expressing metastatic colorectal cancer after failure of both irinotecan-
- 32 and oxaliplatin-based regimens. Erbitux, as a single agent, is also indicated for the
- 33 treatment of EGFR-expressing metastatic colorectal cancer in patients who are intolerant
- 34 to irinotecan-based regimens. [See Warnings and Precautions (5.7), Clinical Studies
- 35 (14.2).]

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- 36 Erbitux, in combination with irinotecan, is indicated for the treatment of
- 37 EGFR-expressing metastatic colorectal carcinoma in patients who are refractory to
- 38 irinotecan-based chemotherapy. The effectiveness of Erbitux in combination with
- 39 irinotecan is based on objective response rates. Currently, no data are available that
- 40 demonstrate an improvement in disease-related symptoms or increased survival with
- 41 Erbitux in combination with irinotecan for the treatment of EGFR-expressing, metastatic
- 42 colorectal carcinoma. [See Warnings and Precautions (5.7), Clinical Studies (14.2).]
- 43 Retrospective subset analyses of metastatic or advanced colorectal cancer trials have not
- shown a treatment benefit for Erbitux in patients whose tumors had KRAS mutations in
- 45 codon 12 or 13. Use of Erbitux is not recommended for the treatment of colorectal cancer
- with these mutations [see *Clinical Pharmacology (12.1), Clinical Studies (14.2)*].

#### 47 2 DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

# 48 2.1 Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Head and Neck

- 49 Erbitux in combination with radiation therapy or in combination with platinum-based
- therapy with 5-FU:
- The recommended initial dose is 400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> administered one week prior to
- 52 initiation of a course of radiation therapy or on the day of initiation of platinum-
- based therapy with 5-FU as a 120-minute intravenous infusion (maximum
- 54 infusion rate 10 mg/min). Complete Erbitux administration 1 hour prior to
- 55 platinum-based therapy with 5-FU.
- The recommended subsequent weekly dose (all other infusions) is 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup>
- infused over 60 minutes (maximum infusion rate 10 mg/min) for the duration of
- 58 radiation therapy (6–7 weeks) or until disease progression or unacceptable
- 59 toxicity when administered in combination with platinum-based therapy with

- 5-FU. Complete Erbitux administration 1 hour prior to radiation therapy or platinum-based therapy with 5-FU.
- 62 Erbitux monotherapy:
- The recommended initial dose is 400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> administered as a 120-minute intravenous infusion (maximum infusion rate 10 mg/min).
- The recommended subsequent weekly dose (all other infusions) is 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup> infused over 60 minutes (maximum infusion rate 10 mg/min) until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity.

## 68 2.2 Colorectal Cancer

- The recommended initial dose, either as monotherapy or in combination with irinotecan, is 400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> administered as a 120-minute intravenous infusion (maximum infusion rate 10 mg/min).
- The recommended subsequent weekly dose, either as monotherapy or in combination with irinotecan, is 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup> infused over 60 minutes (maximum infusion rate 10 mg/min) until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity.

### 75 **2.3 Recommended Premedication**

- 76 Premedicate with an H<sub>1</sub> antagonist (eg, 50 mg of diphenhydramine) intravenously
- 77 30-60 minutes prior to the first dose; premedication should be administered for
- subsequent Erbitux doses based upon clinical judgment and presence/severity of prior
- 79 infusion reactions.

## 80 **2.4 Dose Modifications**

#### 81 Infusion Reactions

- Reduce the infusion rate by 50% for NCI CTC Grade 1 or 2 and non-serious NCI CTC
- 83 Grade 3 infusion reaction.
- 84 Immediately and permanently discontinue Erbitux for serious infusion reactions,
- 85 requiring medical intervention and/or hospitalization. [See Warnings and Precautions
- 86 (5.1).]

## Dermatologic Toxicity

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- 88 Recommended dose modifications for severe (NCI CTC Grade 3 or 4) acneiform rash are
- 89 specified in Table 1. [See Warnings and Precautions (5.4).]

Table 1: Erbitux Dose Modification Guidelines for Rash

Severe Acneiform Rash	Erbitux	Outcome	Erbitux Dose Modification
Kasii	Elbitux	Outcome	Modification
1st occurrence	Delay infusion 1 to 2 weeks	Improvement	Continue at 250 mg/m <sup>2</sup>
		No Improvement	Discontinue Erbitux
2nd occurrence	Delay infusion 1 to 2 weeks	Improvement	Reduce dose to 200 mg/m <sup>2</sup>
		No Improvement	Discontinue Erbitux
3rd occurrence	Delay infusion 1 to 2 weeks	Improvement	Reduce dose to 150 mg/m <sup>2</sup>
		No Improvement	Discontinue Erbitux
4th occurrence	Discontinue Erbitux		

# 2.5 Preparation for Administration

- 91 Do not administer Erbitux as an intravenous push or bolus.
- 92 Administer via infusion pump or syringe pump. Do not exceed an infusion rate of
- 93 10 mg/min.

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- 94 Administer through a low protein binding 0.22-micrometer in-line filter.
- 95 Parenteral drug products should be inspected visually for particulate matter and
- 96 discoloration prior to administration, whenever solution and container permit.
- 97 The solution should be clear and colorless and may contain a small amount of easily
- visible, white, amorphous, cetuximab particulates. **Do not shake or dilute.**

## 99 3 DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS

- 100 mg/50 mL, single-use vial
- 101 200 mg/100 mL, single-use vial

#### 102 4 CONTRAINDICATIONS

103 None

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#### 104 5 WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

## 105 **5.1 Infusion Reactions**

- 106 Serious infusion reactions, requiring medical intervention and immediate, permanent
- discontinuation of Erbitux included rapid onset of airway obstruction (bronchospasm,
- stridor, hoarseness), hypotension, shock, loss of consciousness, myocardial infarction,
- and/or cardiac arrest. Severe (NCI CTC Grades 3 and 4) infusion reactions occurred in
- 110 2–5% of 1373 patients in Studies 1, 3, 4, and 5 receiving Erbitux, with fatal outcome in
- 111 1 patient. [See *Clinical Studies* (14.1, 14.2).]
- Approximately 90% of severe infusion reactions occurred with the first infusion despite
- premedication with antihistamines.
- 114 Monitor patients for 1 hour following Erbitux infusions in a setting with resuscitation
- equipment and other agents necessary to treat anaphylaxis (eg, epinephrine,
- 116 corticosteroids, intravenous antihistamines, bronchodilators, and oxygen). Monitor longer
- to confirm resolution of the event in patients requiring treatment for infusion reactions.
- 118 Immediately and permanently discontinue Erbitux in patients with serious infusion
- reactions. [See *Boxed Warning, Dosage and Administration* (2.4).]

# 5.2 Cardiopulmonary Arrest

- 121 Cardiopulmonary arrest and/or sudden death occurred in 4 (2%) of 208 patients treated
- with radiation therapy and Erbitux as compared to none of 212 patients treated with
- radiation therapy alone in Study 1. Three patients with prior history of coronary artery
- disease died at home, with myocardial infarction as the presumed cause of death. One of
- these patients had arrhythmia and one had congestive heart failure. Death occurred 27,
- 32, and 43 days after the last dose of Erbitux. One patient with no prior history of

- 127 coronary artery disease died one day after the last dose of Erbitux. In Study 2, fatal
- cardiac disorders and/or sudden death occurred in 7 (3%) of 219 patients treated with
- EU-approved cetuximab and platinum-based therapy with 5-FU as compared to 4 (2%) of
- 130 215 patients treated with chemotherapy alone. Five of these 7 patients in the
- chemotherapy plus cetuximab arm received concomitant cisplatin and 2 patients received
- concomitant carboplatin. All 4 patients in the chemotherapy-alone arm received cisplatin.
- 133 Carefully consider use of Erbitux in combination with radiation therapy or platinum-
- based therapy with 5-FU in head and neck cancer patients with a history of coronary
- artery disease, congestive heart failure, or arrhythmias in light of these risks. Closely
- monitor serum electrolytes, including serum magnesium, potassium, and calcium, during
- and after Erbitux. [See *Boxed Warning, Warnings and Precautions (5.6).*]

## 138 **5.3 Pulmonary Toxicity**

- 139 Interstitial lung disease (ILD), including 1 fatality, occurred in 4 of 1570 (<0.5%) patients
- receiving Erbitux in Studies 1, 3, and 5, as well as other studies, in colorectal cancer and
- 141 head and neck cancer. Interrupt Erbitux for acute onset or worsening of pulmonary
- symptoms. Permanently discontinue Erbitux for confirmed ILD.

## 143 **5.4 Dermatologic Toxicity**

- Dermatologic toxicities, including acneiform rash, skin drying and fissuring, paronychial
- inflammation, infectious sequelae (for example, S. aureus sepsis, abscess formation,
- 146 cellulitis, blepharitis, conjunctivitis, keratitis/ulcerative keratitis with decreased visual
- acuity, cheilitis), and hypertrichosis occurred in patients receiving Erbitux therapy.
- Acneiform rash occurred in 76–88% of 1373 patients receiving Erbitux in Studies 1, 3, 4,
- and 5. Severe acneiform rash occurred in 1–17% of patients.
- Acneiform rash usually developed within the first two weeks of therapy and resolved in a
- majority of the patients after cessation of treatment, although in nearly half, the event
- 152 continued beyond 28 days. Monitor patients receiving Erbitux for dermatologic toxicities
- and infectious sequelae. Instruct patients to limit sun exposure during Erbitux therapy.
- 154 [See *Dosage and Administration (2.4).*]

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# 5.5 Use of Erbitux in Combination With Radiation and Cisplatin

- 157 The safety of Erbitux in combination with radiation therapy and cisplatin has not been
- established. Death and serious cardiotoxicity were observed in a single-arm trial with

- Erbitux, radiation therapy, and cisplatin (100 mg/m<sup>2</sup>) in patients with locally advanced
- 160 SCCHN. Two of 21 patients died, one as a result of pneumonia and one of an unknown
- 161 cause. Four patients discontinued treatment due to adverse events. Two of these
- discontinuations were due to cardiac events.

## 5.6 Hypomagnesemia and Electrolyte Abnormalities

- 164 In patients evaluated during clinical trials, hypomagnesemia occurred in 55% of
- 365 patients receiving Erbitux in Study 4 and two other clinical trials in colorectal
- cancer and head and neck cancer, respectively, and was severe (NCI CTC Grades 3 and
- 167 4) in 6–17%.

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- 168 In Study 2, where EU-approved cetuximab was administered in combination with
- platinum-based therapy, the addition of cetuximab to cisplatin and 5-FU resulted in an
- increased incidence of hypomagnesemia (14% vs. 6%) and of Grade 3-4
- 171 hypomagnesemia (7% vs. 2%) compared to cisplatin and 5-FU alone. In contrast, the
- incidences of hypomagnesemia were similar for those who received cetuximab,
- carboplatin, and 5-FU compared to carboplatin and 5-FU (4% vs. 4%). No patient
- experienced Grade 3–4 hypomagnesemia in either arm in the carboplatin subgroup.
- 175 The onset of hypomagnesemia and accompanying electrolyte abnormalities occurred
- 176 days to months after initiation of Erbitux. Periodically monitor patients for
- 177 hypomagnesemia, hypocalcemia, and hypokalemia, during and for at least 8 weeks
- following the completion of Erbitux. Replete electrolytes as necessary.

# 5.7 Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor (EGFR) Expression and Response

- Because expression of EGFR has been detected in nearly all SCCHN tumor specimens,
- patients enrolled in the head and neck cancer clinical studies were not required to have
- immunohistochemical evidence of EGFR tumor expression prior to study entry.
- Patients enrolled in the colorectal cancer clinical studies were required to have
- immunohistochemical evidence of EGFR tumor expression. Primary tumor or tumor
- from a metastatic site was tested with the DakoCytomation EGFR pharmDx<sup>TM</sup> test kit.
- Specimens were scored based on the percentage of cells expressing EGFR and intensity
- 188 (barely/faint, weak-to-moderate, and strong). Response rate did not correlate with either
- the percentage of positive cells or the intensity of EGFR expression.

### 6 ADVERSE REACTIONS

- 191 The following adverse reactions are discussed in greater detail in other sections of the
- 192 label:

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- Infusion reactions [See *Boxed Warning, Warnings and Precautions (5.1).*]
- Cardiopulmonary arrest [See *Boxed Warning, Warnings and Precautions (5.2).*]
- Pulmonary toxicity [See Warnings and Precautions (5.3).]
- Dermatologic toxicity [See *Warnings and Precautions (5.4).*]
- Hypomagnesemia and Electrolyte Abnormalities [See Warnings and Precautions
   (5.6).]
- 199 The most common adverse reactions with Erbitux (incidence ≥25%) are cutaneous
- adverse reactions (including rash, pruritus, and nail changes), headache, diarrhea, and
- 201 infection.
- The most serious adverse reactions with Erbitux are infusion reactions, cardiopulmonary
- arrest, dermatologic toxicity and radiation dermatitis, sepsis, renal failure, interstitial lung
- disease, and pulmonary embolus.
- Across Studies 1, 3, 4, and 5, Erbitux was discontinued in 3–10% of patients because of
- adverse reactions.

# 207 6.1 Clinical Trials Experience

- 208 Because clinical trials are conducted under widely varying conditions, adverse reaction
- rates observed in the clinical trials of a drug cannot be directly compared to rates in the
- 210 clinical trials of another drug and may not reflect the rates observed in practice.
- 211 The data below reflect exposure to Erbitux in 1373 patients with colorectal cancer or
- SCCHN in randomized Phase 3 (Studies 1 and 4) or Phase 2 (Studies 3 and 5) trials
- 213 treated at the recommended dose and schedule for medians of 7 to 14 weeks. [See
- 214 Clinical Studies (14).]
- 215 **Infusion reactions:** Infusion reactions, which included pyrexia, chills, rigors,
- dyspnea, bronchospasm, angioedema, urticaria, hypertension, and hypotension occurred
- in 15–21% of patients across studies. Grades 3 and 4 infusion reactions occurred in 2–5%
- of patients; infusion reactions were fatal in 1 patient.

- 219 **Infections:** The incidence of infection was variable across studies, ranging from 220 13–35%. Sepsis occurred in 1–4% of patients.
- **Renal:** Renal failure occurred in 1% of patients with colorectal cancer.

## **Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Head and Neck**

## Erbitux in Combination with Radiation Therapy

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Table 2 contains selected adverse events in 420 patients receiving radiation therapy either alone or with Erbitux for locally or regionally advanced SCCHN in Study 1. Erbitux was administered at the recommended dose and schedule (400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> initial dose, followed by 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup> weekly). Patients received a median of 8 infusions (range 1–11).

Table 2: Incidence of Selected Adverse Events (≥10%) in Patients with Locoregionally Advanced SCCHN

		s Radiation 208)	Radiation Therapy Alon (n=212)	
Body System Preferred Term	Grades	Grades	Grades	Grades
Preferred Term	1–4	3 and 4	1-4	3 and 4
Body as a Whole		% OI I	Patients	
Asthenia	56	4	49	5
Fever	29	1	13	1
Headache	19	<1	8	<1
Infusion Reaction b	15	3	2	0
Infection	13	1	9	1
Chills <sup>a</sup>	16	0	5	0
Digestive				
Nausea	49	2	37	2
Emesis	29	2	23	4
Diarrhea	19	2	13	1
Dyspepsia	14	0	9	1
Metabolic/Nutritional				
Weight Loss	84	11	72	7
Dehydration	25	6	19	8
Alanine Transaminase, high <sup>c</sup>	43	2	21	1
Aspartate Transaminase, high <sup>c</sup>	38	1	24	1
Alkaline Phosphatase, high <sup>c</sup>	33	<1	24	0

Table 2: Incidence of Selected Adverse Events (≥10%) in Patients with Locoregionally Advanced SCCHN

	•	us Radiation 208)	Radiation Therapy Alone (n=212)		
<b>Body System</b> Preferred Term	Grades 1–4	Grades 3 and 4	Grades 1–4	Grades 3 and 4	
	% of Patients				
Respiratory					
Pharyngitis	26	3	19	4	
Skin/Appendages					
Acneiform Rash <sup>d</sup>	87	17	10	1	
Radiation Dermatitis	86	23	90	18	
Application Site Reaction	18	0	12	1	
Pruritus	16	0	4	0	

a Includes cases also reported as infusion reaction.

The incidence and severity of mucositis, stomatitis, and xerostomia were similar in both arms of the study.

#### Late Radiation Toxicity

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The overall incidence of late radiation toxicities (any grade) was higher in Erbitux in combination with radiation therapy compared with radiation therapy alone. The following sites were affected: salivary glands (65% versus 56%), larynx (52% versus 36%), subcutaneous tissue (49% versus 45%), mucous membrane (48% versus 39%), esophagus (44% versus 35%), skin (42% versus 33%). The incidence of Grade 3 or 4 late radiation toxicities was similar between the radiation therapy alone and the Erbitux plus radiation treatment groups.

# Study 2: EU-Approved Cetuximab in Combination with Platinum-based Therapy with 5-Fluorouracil

Study 2 used EU-approved cetuximab. Since U.S.-licensed Erbitux provides approximately 22% higher exposure relative to the EU-approved cetuximab, the data

b Infusion reaction is defined as any event described at any time during the clinical study as "allergic reaction" or "anaphylactoid reaction", or any event occurring on the first day of dosing described as "allergic reaction", "anaphylactoid reaction", "fever", "chills", "chills and fever", or "dyspnea".

Based on laboratory measurements, not on reported adverse events, the number of subjects with tested samples varied from 205–206 for Erbitux plus Radiation arm; 209–210 for Radiation alone.

d Acneiform rash is defined as any event described as "acne", "rash", "maculopapular rash", "pustular rash", "dry skin", or "exfoliative dermatitis".

provided below may underestimate the incidence and severity of adverse reactions anticipated with Erbitux for this indication. However, the tolerability of the recommended dose is supported by safety data from additional studies of Erbitux [see *Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)*].

Table 3 contains selected adverse events in 434 patients with recurrent locoregional disease or metastatic SCCHN receiving EU-approved cetuximab in combination with platinum-based therapy with 5-FU or platinum-based therapy with 5-FU alone in Study 2. Cetuximab was administered at  $400~\text{mg/m}^2$  for the initial dose, followed by  $250~\text{mg/m}^2$  weekly. Patients received a median of 17 infusions (range 1–89).

Table 3: Incidence of Selected Adverse Events (≥10%) in Patients with Recurrent Locoregional Disease or Metastatic SCCHN

System Organ Class	EU-Approved Cetuximab plus Platinum-based Therapy with 5-FU (n=219)		Platinum-based Therapy with 5-FU Alone (n=215)	
Preferred Term	Grades 1–4	Grades 3 and 4	Grades 1–4	Grades 3 and 4
		% of Pa	tients	
Eye Disorders				
Conjunctivitis	10	0	0	0
<b>Gastrointestinal Disorders</b>				
Nausea	54	4	47	4
Diarrhea	26	5	16	1
General Disorders and Administration Site Conditions				
Pyrexia	22	0	13	1
Infusion Reaction <sup>a</sup>	10	2	<1	0
Infections and Infestations				
Infection <sup>b</sup>	44	11	27	8
Metabolism and Nutrition Disorders				
Anorexia	25	5	14	1
Hypocalcemia	12	4	5	1
Hypokalemia	12	7	7	5
Hypomagnesemia	11	5	5	1

Table 3: Incidence of Selected Adverse Events (≥10%) in Patients with Recurrent Locoregional Disease or Metastatic SCCHN

System Organ Class	plus Platinum- with	d Cetuximab based Therapy 5-FU 219)	Platinum-based Therapy with 5-FU Alone (n=215)		
Preferred Term	Grades 1–4	Grades 3 and 4	Grades 1–4	Grades 3 and 4	
	% of Patients				
Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue Disorders					
Acneiform Rash <sup>c</sup>	70	9	2	0	
Rash	28	5	2	0	
Acne	22	2	0	0	
Dermatitis Acneiform	15	2	0	0	
Dry Skin	14	0	<1	0	
Alopecia	12	0	7	0	

Infusion reaction defined as any event of "anaphylactic reaction", "hypersensitivity", "fever and/or chills", "dyspnea", or "pyrexia" on the first day of dosing.

Chemotherapy = cisplatin + 5-fluorouracil or carboplatin + 5-fluorouracil

For cardiac disorders, approximately 9% of subjects in both the EU-approved cetuximab plus chemotherapy and chemotherapy-only treatment arms in Study 2 experienced a cardiac event. The majority of these events occurred in patients who received cisplatin/5-FU, with or without cetuximab as follows: 11% and 12% in patients who received cisplatin/5-FU with or without cetuximab, respectively, and 6% or 4% in patients who received carboplatin/5-FU with or without cetuximab, respectively. In both arms, the incidence of cardiovascular events was higher in the cisplatin with 5-FU containing subgroup. Death attributed to cardiovascular event or sudden death was reported in 3% of the patients in the cetuximab plus platinum-based therapy with 5-FU arm and 2% in the platinum-based chemotherapy with 5-FU alone arm.

Infection – this term excludes sepsis-related events which are presented separately.

Acneiform rash defined as any event described as "acne", "dermatitis acneiform", "dry skin", "exfoliative rash", "rash", "rash erythematous", "rash macular", "rash papular", or "rash pustular".

## **Colorectal Cancer**

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## Erbitux Monotherapy

Table 4 contains selected adverse events in 562 patients receiving best supportive care (BSC) alone or with Erbitux monotherapy for metastatic colorectal cancer in Study 4. Erbitux was administered at the recommended dose and schedule (400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> initial dose, followed by 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup> weekly).

Table 4: Incidence of Selected Adverse Events Occurring in ≥10% of Patients with Advanced Colorectal Carcinoma Treated with Erbitux Monotherapy

	Erbitux j (n=2			alone 274)
<b>Body System</b> Preferred Term	Any Grades	Grades 3 and 4	Any Grades	Grades 3 and 4
		% of	Patients	
Dermatology				
Rash/Desquamation	89	12	16	<1
Dry Skin	49	0	11	0
Pruritus	40	2	8	0
Other-Dermatology	27	1	6	1
Nail Changes	21	0	4	0
Body as a Whole				
Fatigue	89	33	76	26
Fever	30	1	18	<1
Infusion Reactions <sup>c</sup>	20	5		
Rigors, Chills	13	<1	4	0
Pain				
Abdominal Pain	59	14	52	16
Pain-Other	51	16	34	7
Headache	33	4	11	0
Bone Pain	15	3	7	2
Pulmonary				
Dyspnea	48	16	43	12
Cough	29	2	19	1

Table 4: Incidence of Selected Adverse Events Occurring in ≥10% of Patients with Advanced Colorectal Carcinoma Treated with Erbitux Monotherapy

	Erbitux plus BSC (n=288)		BSC alone (n=274)	
Body System Preferred Term	Any Grades	Grades 3 and 4	Any Grades	Grades 3 and 4
		% of	Patients	
Gastrointestinal				
Constipation	46	4	38	5
Diarrhea	39	2	20	2
Vomiting	37	6	29	6
Stomatitis	25	1	10	<1
Other-Gastrointestinal	23	10	18	8
Mouth Dryness	11	0	4	0
Infection				
Infection without neutropenia	35	13	17	6
Neurology				
Insomnia	30	1	15	1
Confusion	15	6	9	2
Anxiety	14	2	8	1
Depression	13	1	6	<1

a Adverse reactions occurring more frequently in Erbitux-treated patients compared with controls.

BSC = best supportive care

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#### Erbitux in Combination with Irinotecan

The most frequently reported adverse events in 354 patients treated with Erbitux plus irinotecan in clinical trials were acneiform rash (88%), asthenia/malaise (73%), diarrhea (72%), and nausea (55%). The most common Grades 3–4 adverse events included diarrhea (22%), leukopenia (17%), asthenia/malaise (16%), and acneiform rash (14%).

# 6.2 Immunogenicity

As with all therapeutic proteins, there is potential for immunogenicity. Immunogenic responses to cetuximab were assessed using either a double antigen radiometric assay or

Adverse events were graded using the NCI CTC, V 2.0.

Infusion reaction is defined as any event (chills, rigors, dyspnea, tachycardia, bronchospasm, chest tightness, swelling, urticaria, hypotension, flushing, rash, hypertension, nausea, angioedema, pain, pruritus, sweating, tremors, shaking, cough, visual disturbances, or other) recorded by the investigator as infusion-related.

- an ELISA assay. Due to limitations in assay performance and sampling timing, the
- 276 incidence of antibody development in patients receiving Erbitux has not been adequately
- determined. Non-neutralizing anti-cetuximab antibodies were detected in 5% (49 of
- 278 1001) of evaluable patients without apparent effect on the safety or antitumor activity of
- 279 Erbitux.
- 280 The incidence of antibody formation is highly dependent on the sensitivity and specificity
- of the assay. Additionally, the observed incidence of antibody (including neutralizing
- antibody) positivity in an assay may be influenced by several factors including assay
- 283 methodology, sample handling, timing of sample collection, concomitant medications,
- and underlying disease. For these reasons, comparison of the incidence of antibodies to
- 285 Erbitux with the incidence of antibodies to other products may be misleading.

## 286 **6.3 Postmarketing Experience**

- The following adverse reaction has been identified during post-approval use of Erbitux.
- 288 Because this reaction was reported from a population of uncertain size, it was not always
- 289 possible to reliably estimate its frequency or establish a causal relationship to drug
- 290 exposure.

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• Aseptic meningitis

#### 292 7 DRUG INTERACTIONS

- 293 A drug interaction study was performed in which Erbitux was administered in
- 294 combination with irinotecan. There was no evidence of any pharmacokinetic interactions
- between Erbitux and irinotecan.

#### 296 8 USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

## 8.1 Pregnancy

#### 298 Pregnancy Category C

- 299 There are no adequate and well-controlled studies of Erbitux in pregnant women. Based
- on animal models, EGFR has been implicated in the control of prenatal development and
- may be essential for normal organogenesis, proliferation, and differentiation in the
- developing embryo. Human IgG is known to cross the placental barrier; therefore,
- 303 Erbitux may be transmitted from the mother to the developing fetus, and has the potential

- to cause fetal harm when administered to pregnant women. Erbitux should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus.
- Pregnant cynomolgus monkeys were treated weekly with 0.4 to 4 times the recommended human dose of cetuximab (based on body surface area) during the period of organogenesis (gestation day [GD] 20–48). Cetuximab was detected in the amniotic fluid and in the serum of embryos from treated dams at GD 49. No fetal malformations or other teratogenic effects occurred in offspring. However, significant increases in
- embryolethality and abortions occurred at doses of approximately 1.6 to 4 times the
- recommended human dose of cetuximab (based on total body surface area).

# 8.3 Nursing Mothers

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- 314 It is not known whether Erbitux is secreted in human milk. IgG antibodies, such as
- 315 Erbitux, can be excreted in human milk. Because many drugs are excreted in human milk
- and because of the potential for serious adverse reactions in nursing infants from Erbitux,
- a decision should be made whether to discontinue nursing or to discontinue the drug,
- 318 taking into account the importance of the drug to the mother. If nursing is interrupted,
- based on the mean half-life of cetuximab [see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)], nursing
- 320 should not be resumed earlier than 60 days following the last dose of Erbitux.

## 321 **8.4 Pediatric Use**

- 322 The safety and effectiveness of Erbitux in pediatric patients have not been established.
- 323 The pharmacokinetics of cetuximab, in combination with irinotecan, were evaluated in
- 324 pediatric patients with refractory solid tumors in an open-label, single-arm, dose-finding
- study. Erbitux was administered once weekly, at doses up to 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, to 27 patients
- ranging from 1 to 12 years old; and in 19 patients ranging from 13 to 18 years old. No
- new safety signals were identified in pediatric patients. The pharmacokinetic profiles of
- 328 cetuximab between the two age groups were similar at the 75 and 150 mg/m<sup>2</sup> single dose
- 329 levels. The volume of the distribution appeared to be independent of dose and
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- approximated the vascular space of 2–3 L/m<sup>2</sup>. Following a single dose of 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, the
- geometric mean AUC<sub>0-inf</sub> (CV%) value was 17.7 mg•h/mL (34%) in the younger age
- group (1–12 years, n=9) and 13.4 mg•h/mL (38%) in the adolescent group (13–18 years,
- n=6). The mean half-life of cetuximab was 110 hours (range 69 to 188 hours) for the
- younger age group, and 82 hours (range 55 to 117 hours) for the adolescent age group.

#### 8.5 Geriatric Use

- Of the 1062 patients who received Erbitux with irinotecan or Erbitux monotherapy in five
- studies of advanced colorectal cancer, 363 patients were 65 years of age or older. No
- 338 overall differences in safety or efficacy were observed between these patients and
- younger patients.

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- 340 Clinical studies of Erbitux conducted in patients with head and neck cancer did not
- 341 include sufficient number of subjects aged 65 and over to determine whether they
- respond differently from younger subjects.

## 343 **10 OVERDOSAGE**

- 344 The maximum single dose of Erbitux administered is 1000 mg/m<sup>2</sup> in one patient. No
- adverse events were reported for this patient.

#### 346 11 DESCRIPTION

- 347 Erbitux<sup>®</sup> (cetuximab) is a recombinant, human/mouse chimeric monoclonal antibody that
- 348 binds specifically to the extracellular domain of the human epidermal growth factor
- receptor (EGFR). Cetuximab is composed of the Fv regions of a murine anti-EGFR
- antibody with human IgG1 heavy and kappa light chain constant regions and has an
- 351 approximate molecular weight of 152 kDa. Cetuximab is produced in mammalian
- 352 (murine myeloma) cell culture.
- 353 Erbitux is a sterile, clear, colorless liquid of pH 7.0 to 7.4, which may contain a small
- amount of easily visible, white, amorphous cetuximab particulates. Erbitux is supplied at
- a concentration of 2 mg/mL in either 100 mg (50 mL) or 200 mg (100 mL), single-use
- vials. Cetuximab is formulated in a solution with no preservatives, which contains
- 357 8.48 mg/mL sodium chloride, 1.88 mg/mL sodium phosphate dibasic heptahydrate,
- 358 0.41 mg/mL sodium phosphate monobasic monohydrate, and Water for Injection, USP.

### 12 CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

#### 12.1 Mechanism of Action

- 361 The epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR, HER1, c-ErbB-1) is a transmembrane
- 362 glycoprotein that is a member of a subfamily of type I receptor tyrosine kinases including
- 363 EGFR, HER2, HER3, and HER4. The EGFR is constitutively expressed in many normal

- epithelial tissues, including the skin and hair follicle. Expression of EGFR is also detected in many human cancers including those of the head and neck, colon, and rectum.
- 366 Cetuximab binds specifically to the EGFR on both normal and tumor cells, and
- 367 competitively inhibits the binding of epidermal growth factor (EGF) and other ligands,
- 368 such as transforming growth factor-alpha. *In vitro* assays and *in vivo* animal studies have
- shown that binding of cetuximab to the EGFR blocks phosphorylation and activation of
- 370 receptor-associated kinases, resulting in inhibition of cell growth, induction of apoptosis,
- 371 and decreased matrix metalloproteinase and vascular endothelial growth factor
- 372 production. Signal transduction through the EGFR results in activation of wild-type
- 373 KRAS protein. However, in cells with activating KRAS somatic mutations, the mutant
- 374 KRAS protein is continuously active and appears independent of EGFR regulation.
- 375 In vitro, cetuximab can mediate antibody-dependent cellular cytotoxicity (ADCC) against
- 376 certain human tumor types. *In vitro* assays and *in vivo* animal studies have shown that
- cetuximab inhibits the growth and survival of tumor cells that express the EGFR. No
- anti-tumor effects of cetuximab were observed in human tumor xenografts lacking EGFR
- expression. The addition of cetuximab to radiation therapy or irinotecan in human tumor
- 380 xenograft models in mice resulted in an increase in anti-tumor effects compared to
- radiation therapy or chemotherapy alone.

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# 12.2 Pharmacodynamics

## Effects on Electrocardiogram (ECG)

- 384 The effect of cetuximab on QT interval was evaluated in an open-label, single-arm,
- monotherapy trial in 37 subjects with advanced malignancies who received an initial dose
- of 400 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, followed by weekly infusions of 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup> for a total of 5 weeks. No
- large changes in the mean OT interval of >20 ms from baseline were detected in the trial
- based on the Fridericia correction method. A small increase in the mean QTc interval of
- 389 <10 ms cannot be excluded because of the limitations in the trial design.

### 12.3 Pharmacokinetics

- 391 Erbitux administered as monotherapy or in combination with concomitant chemotherapy
- 392 or radiation therapy exhibits nonlinear pharmacokinetics. The area under the
- 393 concentration time curve (AUC) increased in a greater than dose proportional manner
- while clearance of cetuximab decreased from 0.08 to 0.02 L/h/m<sup>2</sup> as the dose increased

- from 20 to 200 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, and at doses >200 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, it appeared to plateau. The volume of
- 396 the distribution for cetuximab appeared to be independent of dose and approximated the
- 397 vascular space of 2–3 L/m<sup>2</sup>.
- Following the recommended dose regimen (400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> initial dose; 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup> weekly
- 399 dose), concentrations of cetuximab reached steady-state levels by the third weekly
- 400 infusion with mean peak and trough concentrations across studies ranging from 168 to
- 401 235 and 41 to 85 μg/mL, respectively. The mean half-life of cetuximab was
- approximately 112 hours (range 63–230 hours). The pharmacokinetics of cetuximab were
- similar in patients with SCCHN and those with colorectal cancer.
- Erbitux had an approximately 22% (90% confidence interval; 6%, 38%) higher systemic
- 405 exposure relative to the EU-approved cetuximab used in Study 2 based on a population
- 406 pharmacokinetic analysis. [See *Clinical Studies (14.1)*.]

# 407 13 NONCLINICAL TOXICOLOGY

# 408 13.1 Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility

- 409 Long-term animal studies have not been performed to test cetuximab for carcinogenic
- 410 potential, and no mutagenic or clastogenic potential of cetuximab was observed in the
- 411 Salmonella-Escherichia coli (Ames) assay or in the in vivo rat micronucleus test.
- 412 Menstrual cyclicity was impaired in female cynomolgus monkeys receiving weekly doses
- 413 of 0.4 to 4 times the human dose of cetuximab (based on total body surface area).
- 414 Cetuximab-treated animals exhibited increased incidences of irregular or absent cycles,
- as compared to control animals. These effects were initially noted beginning week 25 of
- 416 cetuximab treatment and continued through the 6-week recovery period. In this same
- study, there were no effects of cetuximab treatment on measured male fertility parameters
- 418 (ie, serum testosterone levels and analysis of sperm counts, viability, and motility) as
- 419 compared to control male monkeys. It is not known if cetuximab can impair fertility in
- 420 humans.

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# 13.2 Animal Pharmacology and/or Toxicology

- 422 In cynomolgus monkeys, cetuximab, when administered at doses of approximately 0.4 to
- 423 4 times the weekly human exposure (based on total body surface area), resulted in
- dermatologic findings, including inflammation at the injection site and desquamation of
- 425 the external integument. At the highest dose level, the epithelial mucosa of the nasal

- passage, esophagus, and tongue were similarly affected, and degenerative changes in the
- renal tubular epithelium occurred. Deaths due to sepsis were observed in 50% (5/10) of
- 428 the animals at the highest dose level beginning after approximately 13 weeks of
- 429 treatment.

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#### 430 14 CLINICAL STUDIES

# 14.1 Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Head and Neck (SCCHN)

- Study 1 was a randomized, multicenter, controlled trial of 424 patients with locally or
- 434 regionally advanced SCCHN. Patients with Stage III/IV SCCHN of the oropharynx,
- 435 hypopharynx, or larynx with no prior therapy were randomized (1:1) to receive either
- 436 Erbitux plus radiation therapy or radiation therapy alone. Stratification factors were
- Karnofsky Performance Status (60–80 versus 90–100), nodal stage (N0 versus N+),
- 438 tumor stage (T1–3 versus T4 using American Joint Committee on Cancer 1998 staging
- criteria), and radiation therapy fractionation (concomitant boost versus once-daily versus
- 440 twice-daily). Radiation therapy was administered for 6–7 weeks as once daily, twice
- daily, or concomitant boost. Erbitux was administered as a 400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> initial dose
- beginning one week prior to initiation of radiation therapy, followed by 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup>
- 443 weekly administered 1 hour prior to radiation therapy for the duration of radiation
- therapy (6–7 weeks).
- Of the 424 randomized patients, the median age was 57 years, 80% were male, 83% were
- 446 Caucasian, and 90% had baseline Karnofsky Performance Status ≥80. There were
- 447 258 patients enrolled in U.S. sites (61%). Sixty percent of patients had oropharyngeal,
- 448 25% laryngeal, and 15% hypopharyngeal primary tumors; 28% had AJCC T4 tumor
- stage. Fifty-six percent of the patients received radiation therapy with concomitant boost,
- 450 26% received once-daily regimen, and 18% twice-daily regimen.
- 451 The main outcome measure of this trial was duration of locoregional control. Overall
- survival was also assessed. Results are presented in Table 5.

Table 5: Study 1: Clinical Efficacy in Locoregionally Advanced SCCHN

	Erbitux + Radiation (n=211)	Radiation Alone (n=213)	Hazard Ratio (95% CI <sup>a</sup> )	Stratified Log-rank p-value
<b>Locoregional Control</b>				
Median duration (months)	24.4	14.9	0.68 (0.52-0.89)	0.005
Overall Survival				
Median duration (months)	49.0	29.3	0.74 (0.57-0.97)	0.03

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> CI = confidence interval

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Study 2 was an open-label, randomized, multicenter, controlled trial of 442 patients with recurrent locoregional disease or metastatic SCCHN conducted outside the U.S. using an EU-approved cetuximab as the clinical trial material. Erbitux provides approximately 22% higher exposure relative to the EU-approved cetuximab used in Study 2; these pharmacokinetic data, together with the results of Study 2 and other clinical trial data establish the efficacy of Erbitux at the recommended dose [see *Clinical Pharmacology* (12.3)].

Patients with no prior therapy for recurrent locoregional disease or metastatic SCCHN were randomized (1:1) to receive EU-approved cetuximab plus cisplatin or carboplatin and 5-FU, or cisplatin or carboplatin and 5-FU alone. Choice of cisplatin or carboplatin was at the discretion of the treating physician. Stratification factors were Karnofsky Performance Status (<80 versus ≥80) and previous chemotherapy. Cisplatin (100 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, Day 1) or carboplatin (AUC 5, Day 1) plus intravenous 5-FU (1000 mg/m<sup>2</sup>/day, Days 1–4) were administered every 3 weeks (1 cycle) for a maximum of 6 cycles in the absence of disease progression or unacceptable toxicity. Cetuximab was administered at a 400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> initial dose, followed by a 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup> weekly dose in combination with chemotherapy. Patients demonstrating at least stable disease on cetuximab in combination with chemotherapy were to continue cetuximab monotherapy at 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup> weekly, in the absence of disease progression or unacceptable toxicity after completion of 6 planned courses of platinum-based therapy. For patients where treatment was delayed because of the toxic effects of chemotherapy, weekly cetuximab was continued. If chemotherapy was discontinued for toxicity, cetuximab could be continued as monotherapy until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity.

Of the 442 randomized patients, the median age was 57 years, 90% were male, 98% were Caucasian, and 88% had baseline Karnofsky Performance Status ≥80. Thirty-four percent of patients had oropharyngeal, 25% laryngeal, 20% oral cavity, and 14% hypopharyngeal

primary tumors. Fifty-three percent of patients had recurrent locoregional disease only and 47% had metastatic disease. Fifty-eight percent had AJCC Stage IV disease and 21% had Stage III disease. Sixty-four percent of patients received cisplatin therapy and 34% received carboplatin as initial therapy. Approximately fifteen percent of the patients in the cisplatin alone arm switched to carboplatin during the treatment period.

The main outcome measure of this trial was overall survival. Results are presented in Table 6 and Figure 1.

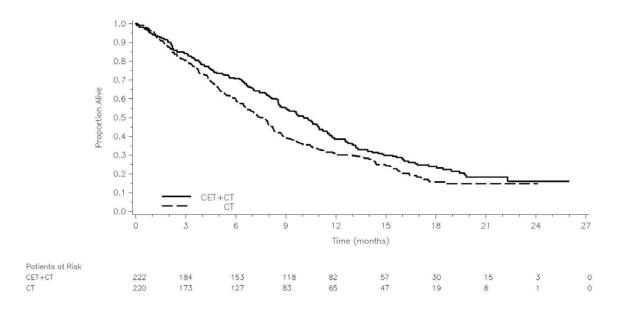
Table 6: Study 2: Clinical Efficacy in Recurrent Locoregional Disease or Metastatic SCCHN

	EU-Approved Cetuximab + Platinum-based Therapy + 5-FU (n=222)	Platinum-based Therapy + 5-FU (n=220)	Hazard Ratio (95% CI <sup>a</sup> )	Stratified Log-rank p-value
Overall Survival  Median duration (months)	10.1	7.4	0.80 (0.64, 0.98)	0.034
Progression-free Survival  Median duration (months)	5.5	3.3	0.57 (0.46, 0.72)	< 0.0001
	EU-Approved Cetuximab + Platinum-based Therapy + 5-FU	Platinum-based Therapy + 5-FU	Odds Ratio (95% CI <sup>a</sup> )	CMH <sup>b</sup> test
<b>Objective Response Rate</b>	35.6%	19.5%	2.33 (1.50, 3.60)	0.0001

a CI = confidence interval

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Figure 1: Kaplan-Meier Curve for Overall Survival in Patients with Recurrent Locoregional Disease or Metastatic Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Head and Neck



CT = Platinum-based therapy with 5-FU

CET = EU-approved cetuximab

In exploratory subgroup analyses of Study 2 by initial platinum therapy (cisplatin or carboplatin), for patients (N=284) receiving the EU-approved cetuximab plus cisplatin with 5-FU compared to cisplatin with 5-FU alone, the difference in median overall survival was 3.3 months (10.6 versus 7.3 months respectively; HR 0.71; 95% CI 0.54, 0.93). The difference in median progression-free survival was 2.1 months (5.6 versus 3.5 months respectively; HR 0.55; 95% CI 0.41, 0.73). The objective response rate was 39% and 23% respectively (OR 2.18; 95% CI 1.29, 3.69). For patients (N=149) receiving cetuximab plus carboplatin with 5-FU compared to carboplatin with 5-FU alone, the difference in median overall survival was 1.4 months (9.7 versus 8.3 months; HR 0.99; 95% CI 0.69, 1.43). The difference in median progression-free survival was 1.7 months (4.8 versus 3.1 months respectively; HR 0.61; 95% CI 0.42, 0.89). The objective response rate was 30% and 15% respectively (OR 2.45; 95% CI 1.10, 5.46).

Study 3 was a single-arm, multicenter clinical trial in 103 patients with recurrent or metastatic SCCHN. All patients had documented disease progression within 30 days of a platinum-based chemotherapy regimen. Patients received a 20-mg test dose of Erbitux on Day 1, followed by a 400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> initial dose, and 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup> weekly until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity.

- The median age was 57 years, 82% were male, 100% Caucasian, and 62% had a
- 510 Karnofsky Performance Status of ≥80.
- 511 The objective response rate was 13% (95% confidence interval 7%–21%). Median
- duration of response was 5.8 months (range 1.2–5.8 months).

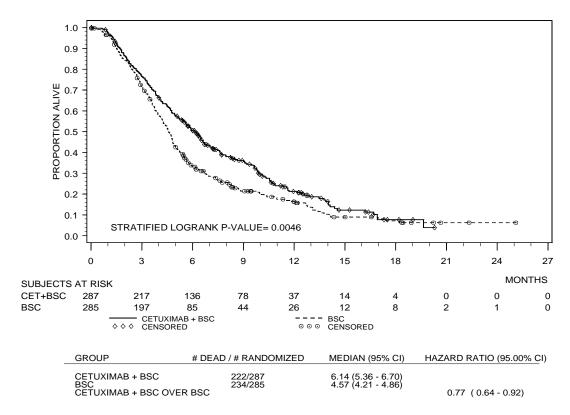
#### 513 **14.2 Colorectal Cancer**

## 514 Erbitux Clinical Trials in EGFR-Expressing, Recurrent, Metastatic

### 515 Colorectal Cancer

- 516 Study 4 was a multicenter, open-label, randomized, clinical trial conducted in
- 517 572 patients with EGFR-expressing, previously treated, recurrent, metastatic colorectal
- 518 cancer (mCRC). Patients were randomized (1:1) to receive either Erbitux plus best
- supportive care (BSC) or BSC alone. Erbitux was administered as a 400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> initial
- dose, followed by 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup> weekly until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity.
- 521 Of the 572 randomized patients, the median age was 63 years, 64% were male, 89% were
- 522 Caucasian, and 77% had baseline ECOG Performance Status of 0–1. All patients were to
- 523 have received and progressed on prior therapy including an irinotecan-containing
- regimen and an oxaliplatin-containing regimen.
- 525 The main outcome measure of the study was overall survival. The results are presented in
- 526 Figure 2.

Figure 2: Kaplan-Meier Curve for Overall Survival in Patients with Metastatic Colorectal Cancer



Study 5 was a multicenter, clinical trial conducted in 329 patients with EGFR-expressing recurrent mCRC. Patients were randomized (2:1) to receive either Erbitux plus irinotecan (218 patients) or Erbitux monotherapy (111 patients). Erbitux was administered as a 400 mg/m² initial dose, followed by 250 mg/m² weekly until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity. In the Erbitux plus irinotecan arm, irinotecan was added to Erbitux using the same dose and schedule for irinotecan as the patient had previously failed. Acceptable irinotecan schedules were 350 mg/m² every 3 weeks, 180 mg/m² every 2 weeks, or 125 mg/m² weekly times four doses every 6 weeks. Of the 329 patients, the median age was 59 years, 63% were male, 98% were Caucasian, and 88% had baseline Karnofsky Performance Status ≥80. Approximately two-thirds had previously failed oxaliplatin treatment.

The efficacy of Erbitux plus irinotecan or Erbitux monotherapy, based on durable objective responses, was evaluated in all randomized patients and in two pre-specified subpopulations: irinotecan refractory patients, and irinotecan and oxaliplatin failures. In patients receiving Erbitux plus irinotecan, the objective response rate was

23% (95% confidence interval 18%–29%), median duration of response was 5.7 months, and median time to progression was 4.1 months. In patients receiving Erbitux monotherapy, the objective response rate was 11% (95% confidence interval 6%–18%), median duration of response was 4.2 months, and median time to progression was 1.5 months. Similar response rates were observed in the pre-defined subsets in both the combination arm and monotherapy arm of the study.

## Lack of Efficacy of Anti-EGFR Monoclonal Antibodies in Patients With

## 552 mCRC Containing KRAS Mutations

553 Retrospective analyses as presented in Table 7 across seven randomized clinical trials 554 suggest that anti-EGFR monoclonal antibodies are not effective for the treatment of 555 patients with mCRC containing KRAS mutations. In these trials, patients received 556 standard of care (ie, BSC or chemotherapy) and were randomized to receive either an 557 anti-EGFR antibody (cetuximab or panitumumab) or no additional therapy. In all studies, 558 investigational tests were used to detect KRAS mutations in codon 12 or 13. The 559 percentage of study populations for which KRAS status was assessed ranged from 23% to 560 92%. [See *Clinical Pharmacology (12.1)*.]

Table 7: Retrospective Analyses of Treatment Effect in the Subset of Patients with mCRC Containing KRAS Mutations Enrolled in Randomized Clinical Trials

Population (n: ITT <sup>a</sup> )	Treatment	Number of Patients with KRAS Results (% ITT)	Number of Patients with KRAS mutant (mAb b/control)	Effect of mAb on Endpoints: KRAS  Mutant <sup>c</sup>
1 <sup>st</sup> line treatment mCRC (1198)	FOLFIRI ± Erbitux	540 (45%)	105/87	PFS <sup>b</sup> : no difference OS <sup>b</sup> : no difference ORR <sup>b</sup> : decreased
1 <sup>st</sup> line treatment mCRC (337)	FOLFOX-4 ± Erbitux	233 (69%)	52/47	ORR: decreased PFS: decreased OS: no difference
1 <sup>st</sup> line treatment mCRC (1053)	oxaliplatin or irinotecan-based chemotherapy,	oxaliplatin 664 (81%)	135/125	PFS: decreased OS: no difference ORR: increased
	bevacizumab ± panitumumab	irinotecan 201 (87%)	47/39	ORR: decreased PFS: decreased OS: decreased
1 <sup>st</sup> line treatment mCRC (736)	bevacizumab, capecitabine, oxaliplatin ± Erbitux	528 (72%)	98/108	PFS: decreased OS: decreased ORR: decreased
2 <sup>nd</sup> line treatment mCRC (1298)	irinotecan ± Erbitux	300 (23%)	49/59	OS: decreased PFS: no difference ORR: increased
Study 4 3 <sup>rd</sup> line treatment mCRC (572)	BSC ± Erbitux	394 (69%)	81/83	OS: no difference PFS: no difference ORR: increased
3 <sup>rd</sup> line treatment mCRC (463)	BSC ± panitumumab	427 (92%)	84/100	PFS: no difference OS: no difference ORR: no difference

a ITT: intent-to-treat.

b mAb: EGFR monoclonal antibody; PFS: progression-free survival; ORR: overall response rate; OS: overall survival.

Results from the primary efficacy endpoint are in bold. A given endpoint is designated as "decreased" if there was a numerically smaller result and as "increased" if there was a numerically higher result in the mAb group than in the control group.

### 16 HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING

- Erbitux<sup>®</sup> (cetuximab) is supplied at a concentration of 2 mg/mL as a 100 mg/50 mL,
- single-use vial or as a 200 mg/100 mL, single-use vial as a sterile, injectable liquid
- 564 containing no preservatives.

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- NDC 66733-948-23 100 mg/50 mL, single-use vial, individually packaged in a carton
- NDC 66733-958-23 200 mg/100 mL, single-use vial, individually packaged in a carton
- Store vials under refrigeration at 2° C to 8° C (36° F to 46° F). **Do not freeze.** Increased
- particulate formation may occur at temperatures at or below 0° C. This product contains
- 569 no preservatives. Preparations of Erbitux in infusion containers are chemically and
- 570 physically stable for up to 12 hours at 2° C to 8° C (36° F to 46° F) and up to 8 hours at
- 571 controlled room temperature (20° C to 25° C; 68° F to 77° F). Discard any remaining
- solution in the infusion container after 8 hours at controlled room temperature or after
- 573 12 hours at 2° C to 8° C. Discard any unused portion of the vial.

## 574 17 PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION

- 575 Advise patients:
- To report signs and symptoms of infusion reactions such as fever, chills, or breathing problems.
- Of the potential risks of using Erbitux during pregnancy or nursing and of the need
- to use adequate contraception in both males and females during and for 6 months
- following the last dose of Erbitux therapy.
- That nursing is not recommended during, and for 2 months following the last dose of
- 582 Erbitux therapy.
- To limit sun exposure (use sunscreen, wear hats) while receiving and for 2 months
- following the last dose of Erbitux.
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