



Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer 2023 Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor (ICI) Dosing Guide

Click a stage below to see available agents:

Perioperative

First-line Metastatic

Second-line or
Subsequent Metastatic

Consolidation -
Unresectable Stage III

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This document is a clickable immune checkpoint inhibitor (ICI) dosing guide for non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) created to provide clinicians with accurate dosing information for immune checkpoint inhibitors in a streamlined and efficient resource available at their fingertips.



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Nivolumab/platinum-doublet chemotherapy

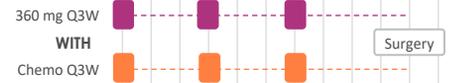
Neoadjuvant Resectable Tumors ≥4 cm or Node Positive

Indication Note(s):

- In combination with platinum-doublet chemotherapy
- Regardless of PD-L1 expression
- **Duration:** 3 cycles

**Route of Administration:**
30-minute IV infusion**Inline Filter:**
Optional**Combination Dosing:**

Give nivolumab first followed by platinum-doublet chemotherapy on the same day



Atezolizumab

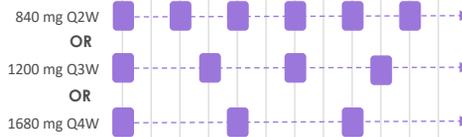
Adjuvant Stage II to IIIA (PI); Adjuvant Stage IIB–IIIA, Stage IIIB (T3, N2), or High-risk Stage IIA (NCCN)

Indication Note(s):

- PD-L1 expression on ≥ 1% of tumor cells [TC ≥1%], as determined by an FDA-approved test
- Following resection and up to 4-cycles of adjuvant platinum-based chemotherapy
- Negative for EGFR exon 19 deletion, exon 21 L858R mutations, or ALK rearrangements

Duration:

For up to 1 year

**Route of Administration:**
60-min IV infusion. If the first infusion is tolerated, all subsequent infusions may be delivered over 30 minutes**Inline Filter:**
Optional

Pembrolizumab

Adjuvant Stage IB (T2a ≥4 cm), II, or IIIA (PI); Stage IIB–IIIA, Stage IIIB (T3, N2), or High-risk Stage IIA (NCCN)

Indication Note(s):

- Following resection and adjuvant platinum-based chemotherapy up to 4 cycles
- Negative for EGFR exon 19 deletion, exon 21 L858R mutations, or ALK rearrangements

Duration:

Until disease progression, unacceptable toxicity, or up to 12 months

**Route of Administration:**
30-minute IV infusion**Inline Filter:**
Required



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Atezolizumab

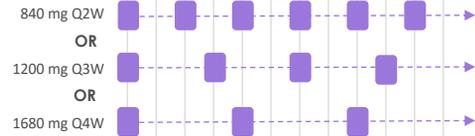
First-line metastatic

Indication Note(s):
High PD-L1 expression (PD-L1 stained $\geq 50\%$ of tumor cells [TC $\geq 50\%$] or PD-L1 stained tumor-infiltrating immune cells [IC] covering $\geq 10\%$ of the tumor area [IC $\geq 10\%$]), as determined by an FDA approved test, with no EGFR or ALK genomic tumor aberrations

Duration:
Until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity

Route of Administration:
60-min IV infusion. If the first infusion is tolerated, all subsequent infusions may be delivered over 30 minutes

Inline Filter:
Optional



Atezolizumab/bevacizumab/paclitaxel/carboplatin

First-line Metastatic Non-squamous

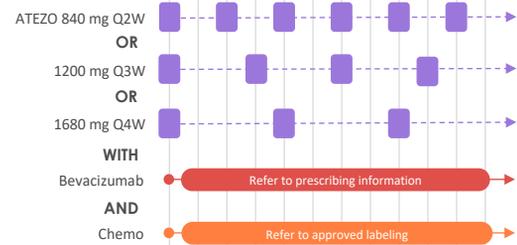
Indication Note(s):
No EGFR or ALK genomic tumor aberrations

Duration:
Until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity

Route of Administration:
60-min IV infusion. If the first infusion is tolerated, all subsequent infusions may be delivered over 30 minutes

Inline Filter:
Optional

Combination Dosing:
Administer atezolizumab prior to chemotherapy and bevacizumab when given on the same day



Atezolizumab/NAB-paclitaxel/carboplatin

First-line Metastatic Non-squamous

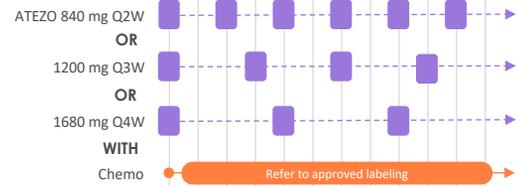
Indication Note(s):
No EGFR or ALK genomic tumor aberrations

Duration:
Until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity

Route of Administration:
60-min IV infusion. If the first infusion is tolerated, all subsequent infusions may be delivered over 30 minutes

Inline Filter:
Optional

Combination Dosing:
Administer atezolizumab prior to chemotherapy when given on the same day



Cemiplimab

First-line Locally Advanced/Metastatic

Indication Note(s):

- High PD-L1 expression [(TPS) $\geq 50\%$] as determined by an FDA-approved test, with no EGFR, ALK or ROS1 aberrations
- Not candidates for surgical resection or definitive chemoradiation (locally advanced)

Duration:
Until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity

Route of Administration:
30-minute IV infusion

Inline Filter:
Required



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Cemiplimab/platinum-based chemotherapy

First-line Locally Advanced/Metastatic

Indication Note(s):

- With no EGFR, ALK or ROS1 aberrations
- Not candidates for surgical resection or definitive chemoradiation (locally advanced)

Duration:

Until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity



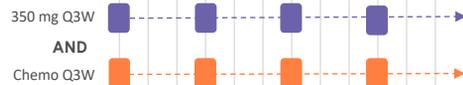
Route of Administration:

30-minute IV infusion



Inline Filter:

Required



Durvalumab/tremelimumab/platinum-based doublet chemotherapy

First-line Metastatic

Indication Note(s):

- With no sensitizing EGFR mutations or ALK genomic tumor aberrations

Duration:

Until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity; 4 cycles of histology-based platinum-based chemotherapy



Route of Administration:

Tremelimumab: 60-minute IV Infusion
Durvalumab: 60-minute IV infusion



Inline Filter:

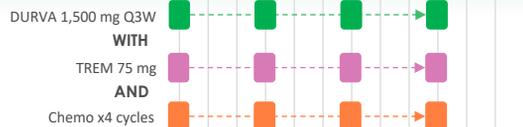
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Combination Dosing:

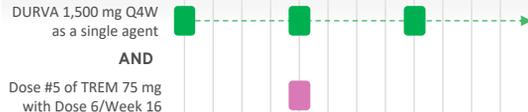
- Infuse tremelimumab first, followed by durvalumab and then platinum-based chemotherapy on the day of dosing
- Cycle 1: Observe 60 minutes after tremelimumab and durvalumab for infusion reactions. If no reaction, observe for 30 minutes after durvalumab only for subsequent cycles
- If the patient received pemetrexed, it may be continued with durvalumab after cycle 4

Use separate infusion bags/filters/lines for each therapy

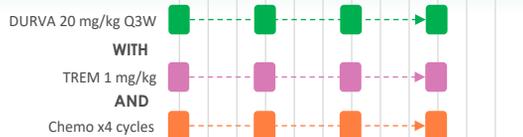
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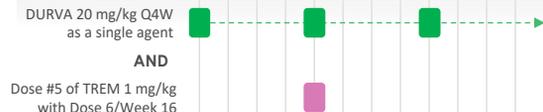
Followed by Weeks 13 - 24



Patients weighing <30 kg:



Followed by Weeks 13 - 24



Ipilimumab/nivolumab

First-line Metastatic

Indication Note(s):

- PD-L1 expression (≥1%) as determined by an FDA-approved test
- No EGFR or ALK genomic tumor aberrations

Duration:

Until disease progression, unacceptable toxicity, or up to 2 years in patients without progression



Route of Administration:

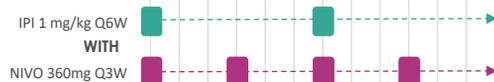
Ipilimumab: 30-minute IV infusion
Nivolumab: 30-minute IV infusion

Infuse nivolumab first then ipilimumab using separate infusion bags and filters



Inline Filter:

Required





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Ipilimumab/nivolumab/platinum-doublet chemotherapy

First-line Metastatic/Recurrent

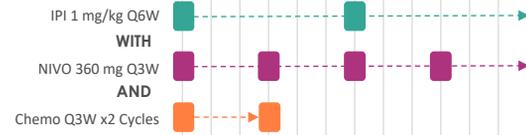
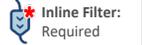
Indication Note(s):
No EGFR or ALK genomic tumor aberrations

Duration:
In combination with nivolumab until disease progression, unacceptable toxicity, or up to 2 years in patients without progression; 2 cycles of histology-based platinum-doublet chemotherapy



Route of Administration:
Ipilimumab: 30-minute IV infusion
Nivolumab: 30-minute IV infusion

Administer nivolumab first followed by ipilimumab and then platinum-doublet chemotherapy on the same day using separate bags and filters



Pembrolizumab

Metastatic

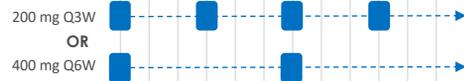
Indication Note(s):

- PD-L1 expression (TPS $\geq 1\%$) as determined by an FDA-approved test
- No EGFR or ALK genomic tumor aberrations
- Stage III where patients are not candidates for surgical resection or definitive chemoradiation

Duration:
Until disease progression, unacceptable toxicity, or up to 24 months



Route of Administration:
30-minute IV infusion



Pembrolizumab/pemetrexed/platinum-doublet chemotherapy

First-line Metastatic Non-squamous

Indication Note(s):
No EGFR or ALK genomic tumor aberrations

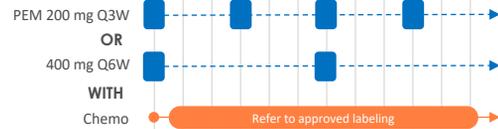
Duration:
Until disease progression, unacceptable toxicity, or up to 24 months



Route of Administration:
30-minute IV infusion



Combination Dosing:
Administer pembrolizumab prior to chemotherapy when given on the same day



Pembrolizumab/carboplatin/paclitaxel or nab-paclitaxel chemotherapy

First-line Metastatic Squamous

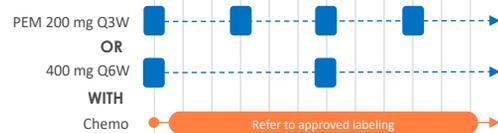
Duration:
Until disease progression, unacceptable toxicity, or up to 24 months



Route of Administration:
30-minute IV infusion



Combination Dosing:
Administer pembrolizumab prior to chemotherapy when given on the same day





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Atezolizumab

Second-line Metastatic

Indication Note(s):

- Disease progression during or following platinum-containing chemotherapy
- Patients with EGFR or ALK aberrations should have disease progression on FDA-approved therapy for NSCLC harboring these aberrations prior to receiving atezolizumab

Duration:

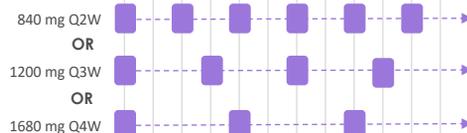
Until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity

**Route of Administration:**

60-min IV infusion. If the first infusion is tolerated, all subsequent infusions may be delivered over 30 minutes



Inline Filter:
Optional



Nivolumab

Second or Subsequent-line Metastatic

Indication Note(s):

- Progression on or after platinum-based chemotherapy
- Patients with EGFR or ALK genomic tumor aberrations should have disease progression on FDA-approved therapy for these aberrations prior to receiving nivolumab

Duration:

Until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity

**Route of Administration:**

30-minute IV infusion



Inline Filter:
Required



Pembrolizumab

Second or Subsequent-line Metastatic

Indication Note(s):

- PD-L1 expression (TPS \geq 1%) as determined by an FDA-approved test, with disease progression on or after platinum-containing chemotherapy
- Patients with EGFR or ALK genomic tumor aberrations should have disease progression on FDA-approved therapy for these aberrations prior to receiving pembrolizumab

Duration:

Until disease progression, unacceptable toxicity, or up to 24 months

**Route of Administration:**

30-minute IV infusion



Inline Filter:
Required



Durvalumab

Unresectable Stage III

Indication Note(s):

NSCLC has not progressed following concurrent platinum-based chemotherapy and radiation therapy

Duration:

Until disease progression, unacceptable toxicity, or a maximum of 12 months

**Route of Administration:**

60-minute IV infusion



Inline Filter:
Required

Patients weighing \geq 30 kg:**Patients weighing $<$ 30 kg:**



NCCN Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology (NCCN Guidelines®). Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer. Version 3.2023; April 13, 2023.

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