

Atezolizumab in combination for treating metastatic non-squamous non-small-cell lung cancer

Information for the public

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Atezolizumab with bevacizumab, carboplatin and paclitaxel is available on the NHS. It is a possible treatment for metastatic non-squamous non-small-cell lung cancer (NSCLC) in adults if:

- they have not had treatment for their metastatic NSCLC before and their PD-L1 tumour proportion score is below 50% or
- targeted therapy for epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR)-positive or anaplastic lymphoma kinase (ALK)-positive NSCLC has not worked.

Treatment should be stopped at 2 years of continuous treatment, or earlier if atezolizumab stops working or the disease progresses on bevacizumab.

If you are not eligible for atezolizumab with bevacizumab, carboplatin and paclitaxel but are already taking it, you should be able to continue until you and your doctor decide when best to stop.

Is this treatment right for me?

Your healthcare professionals should give you clear information, talk with you about your options and listen carefully to your views and concerns. Your family can be involved too, if you wish. Read more about [making decisions about your care](#).

Questions to think about

- How well does it work compared with other treatments?
- What are the risks or side effects? How likely are they?
- How will the treatment affect my day-to-day life?
- What happens if the treatment does not work?
- What happens if I do not want to have treatment? Are there other treatments available?

Information and support

The [NHS website](#) may be a good place to find out more.

These organisations can give you advice and support:

- [British Lung Foundation](#), 03000 030 555
- [Roy Castle Lung Cancer Foundation](#), 0333 323 7200
- [Cancer Research UK](#), 0800 800 4040
- [Macmillan Cancer Support](#), 0808 808 0000

You can also get support from your local [Healthwatch](#).

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