Indication	For the treatment of relapsed / refractory CD30-positive Hodgkin lymphoma following autologous stem cell transplant (ASCT)			
	 Following at least two prior therapies when ASCT or multi-agent chemotherapy is 			
	not a treatment option			
	re-use after ASCT as bridge to allogenic stem cell transplant or donor lymphocyte			
	infusion after a previous partial/ complete response to brentuximab vedotin			
	For the treatment of relapsed / refractory systemic anaplastic large cell lymphoma (sALCL).			
	For the treatment of relapsed / refractory CD30+ cutaneous T cell lymphoma after at least 1 line of systemic therapy.			
Treatment	Curative/Non-Curative/Remission.			
Intent				
Frequency and	Repeat every 21 days.			
number of				
cycles	Treatment should be continued until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity up to a maximum of 16 cycles.			
	NB for re-use after ASCT, maximum of 16 cycles includes cycles administered pre ASCT.			
Monitoring	Virology status checked and negative prior to cycle 1.			
Parameters	• FBC, U&Es and LFTs must be measured before each dose. Proceed with next cycle once			
pre-treatment	ANC >/=1.0x 10^{9} /l and platelets >/=50 x 10^{9} /l.			
	• Blood pressure, pulse, temperature and O2 saturation must be measured and recorded at baseline, at end of infusion, and 30 minutes post infusion end.			
	• If neutropenia develops during treatment it should be managed by dose delays. If			
	Grade 1 or Grade 2 neutropenia, continue with same dose and schedule. If Grade 3 or			
	4 neutropenia, withhold dose until toxicity returns to = Grade 2 or baseline then</th			
	resume treatment at the same dose and schedule. Consider G-CSF support in			
	subsequent cycles for patients who develop Grade 3 or Grade 4 neutropenia.			
	• Neuropathy: If Grade 2 (interfering with function but not ADL) or Grade 3 (interfering			
	with ADL) withhold dose until toxicity resolves to			
	=Grade 1, then re-start treatment at 1.2mg/kg (maximum dose 120mg) every 3</th			
	weeks. If Grade 4 (sensory neuropathy which is disabling or motor neuropathy which is			
	life-threatening or leads to paralysis) discontinue brentuximab.			
	Infusion related reactions			
	• If a patient suffers an infusion-related reaction, the infusion should be interrupted and			
	appropriate management given. The infusion may be re-started at a slower rate after			
	symptom resolution. For these patients, all subsequent doses of brentuximab should be			
	 pre-medicated with paracetamol, chlorphenamine and hydrocortisone. Renal impairment: If CrCl < 30ml/min then dose at 1.2mg/kg. Use with caution and 			
	 Renal impairment: If CrCl < 30m/min then dose at 1.2mg/kg. Use with caution and monitor patient carefully. 			
	• Hepatic impairment: In patients with any degree of hepatic impairment, starting dose			
	is 1.2mg/kg. Monitor patient closely for adverse events.			
	Common Adverse reactions:			
	• Peripheral sensory or motor neuropathy: If peripheral sensory or motor neuropathy emerges or worsens during treatment see Table 1 for dose modification of			
	brentuximab.			
	• Progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy (PML): Use of brentuximab has been			
	associated with increased risk of progressive risk of progressive multifocal			
	leukoencephalopathy (PML). Patient must be monitored for new or worsening			
	neurological, cognitive, or psychiatric symptoms which may be suggestive of PML.			

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	• Pancreatitis: Acute pancreatitis has been observed in patients treated with				
	brentuximab. Patients should be closely monitored for new or worsening abdominal				
	pain, which may be suggestive of acute pancreatitis.				
	• Pulmonary toxicity: Interstitial lung disease (ILD), pneumonitis, and acute respiratory				
	distress syndrome. Patients should be advised to report any new or worsening				
	respiratory symptoms. Full investigation should be performed and consider				
	withholding treatment until cause established.				
	• Steven Johnsons syndrome (SJS) and Toxic epidermal necrolysis (TEN): Cases of SJS				
	and TEN have been observed. If symptoms or signs of SJS or TEN appear, treatment				
	with brentuximab should be discontinued and the patient referred to a specialised				
	unit for assessment and treatment. If the patient has developed SJS or TEN with the				
	use of brentuximab permanent discontinuation of treatment is recommended.				
	Ensure Irradiated blood products are used for future transfusions in Hodgkins				
	Lymphoma patients.				
	• Common drug interactions (for comprehensive list refer to BNF/SPC):				
	Brentuximab is not to be combined with bleomycin. Co-administration of brentuximab				
	with a strong CYP3A4 and P-gp inhibitors (e.g. Clarithromycin, itraconazole,				
	ketoconazole, ritonavir, amiodarone) should be avoided due to increased risk of				
	neutropenia, if azole anti-fungals are used, use with caution and monitor for				
	neutropenia.				
	Missed dose:				
	If a planned dose is missed, the next dose should be administered as soon as possible.				
	The administration schedule must be adjusted to maintain a 3-week interval between				
	doses.				
	• Brentuximab can potentially cause fatigue/dizziness in some patients and therefore use				
	caution when driving or using machines.				
References	KMCC proforma HAEM-HL-010v2 SPC accessed online 05.05.2022 cdf list v1.210				

NB For funding information, refer to the SACT funding spread sheet

Table 1: Dosing recommendations for new or worsening peripheral sensory or motor neuropathy

Severity of peripheral sensory or motor neuropathy signs and symptoms [abbreviated description of CTCAE ^a])	Modification of dose and schedule
Grade 1 (paraesthesia and/or loss of reflexes, with no loss of function)	Continue with the same dose and schedule.
Grade 2 (interfering with function but not with activities of daily living)	Withhold dose until toxicity returns to \leq Grade 1 or baseline, then restart treatment at a reduced dose of 1.2 mg/kg up to a maximum of 120 mg every 3 weeks.
Grade 3 (interfering with activities of daily living)	Withhold dose until toxicity returns to ≤ Grade 1 or baseline, then restart treatment at a reduced dose of 1.2 mg/kg up to a maximum of 120 mg every 3 weeks.
Grade 4 (sensory neuropathy that is disabling or motor neuropathy that is life threatening or leads to paralysis)	Discontinue treatment.

^{a.} Grading based on National Cancer Institute (NCI) Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events (CTCAE) v3.0; see neuropathy: motor; neuropathy: sensory; and neuropathic pain.

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Repeat every 21 days

Day	Drug	Dose	Route	Infusion Duration	Administration	
1	Paracetamol	1gm	РО		Only give if required for prevention or treatment of	
	Chlorphenamine	10mg	IV	stat	brentuximab infusion related reactions.	
	Hydrocortisone	100mg	IV	stat	If required give 30 minutes before Brentuximab infusion.	
	BRENTUXIMAB	1.8mg/kg (max 180mg)	IV	Over 30 mins	in 100-250ml sodium chloride 0.9% Final concentration must be between 0.4mg/mL to 1.2mg/mL	
TTO	Drug	Dose	Route		Directions	
	Allopurinol	300mg	PO	OD For the f	or the first month then review D on Mondays, Wednesdays and ridays mg initially then 2 mg after each pose stool when required for iarrhoea (maximum dose of 16mg in	
	Co-Trimoxazole	480mg	PO	BD on M Fridays		
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	Loperamide	2mg-4mg	РО	diarrhoe 24hrs)		

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