



**pan-Canadian Oncology Drug Review
Patient Advocacy Group Feedback on a pCODR
Expert Review Committee Initial
Recommendation**

**Osimertinib (Tagrisso) for Non-small Cell Lung
Cancer**

Lung Cancer Canada

May 4, 2017

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Name of the drug indication(s): Tagrisso (osimertinib)

Name of registered patient advocacy group: Lung Cancer Canada

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Pg. 9	Economic Evaluation	Drug Costs: High drug acquisition cost,	While we agree that cost effectiveness of Tagrisso needs to be improved however we believe that in the age of personalized medicine when a targeted therapy is clearly efficacious and superior to

		generic pemetrexed available At the list price, osimertinib costs \$294.6764 for the 40 mg or 80 mg tablet...	chemotherapy, comparison of the new drug to a targeted therapy would be more helpful.
Pg. 2	Potential Next Steps	Time-limited need for patients currently on or having recently completed treatment with chemotherapy or an immune check-point inhibitor	LCC applauds PCODR-CADTH for considering EGFR T790M+ patients who may have for a number of reasons (e.g. participation in other trials, lack of public reimbursement etc.), not received osimertinib following failure on an EGFR TKI. This consideration avoids “penalizing” patients who harbour the mutation and allows them to have a chance to benefit from a more efficacious and personalized option. As stated in the initial Guidance Report, it is a time-limited need that will be resolved as osimertinib gets integrated into our system. It is an important consideration. For example it allows those that are contemplating trial to participate without fear of exclusion from future treatment.
Pg. 2	Potential Next Steps	Upon implementation of osimertinib reimbursement, pERC recognizes collaboration among provinces to develop a common approach for treatment sequencing would be of value.	While treatment sequencing is something that should be discussed, we believe that in this case there is generalized consensus regarding sequencing in the medical community in regards to this topic and it should not be a factor to delay PCPA discussion and potential provincial listings. As LCC points out in our submission, there is a high unmet need in this area and osimertinib makes a difference in the lives of patients and their families. With generalized clinician agreement and pERC’s own recognition of the likely sequencing, discussion on this topic, whether in the context of CDIAAC or otherwise, should not delay next steps.

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			<p>LCC supports conversion of this initial recommendation to final recommendation. We applaud PCODR for the consideration of the needs of a broad range of patients, including those with time-limited needs. We do believe that in the age of personalized medicine whenever possible, evaluations and cost considerations for targeted therapies should be made against another targeted therapy within the same treatment algorithm. Discussions around treatment algorithms are beneficial but recognition of the generalized consensus amongst clinicians, the current lack of options and the unmet need, LCC strongly believes that these discussions, including CDIAC, should not delay the start of the PCPA process. Patients and their families have no time to wait and our system cannot make them wait any longer. Osimertinib already has a positive pCODR recommendation. There is a demonstrative high unmet need. The PCPA process and provincial adoption needs to occur quickly and should not be further delayed by the prospects of other potential drug approvals in order to move forward now and save lives.</p>

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