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Dear professor, Dear doctor

Following a change in the legislation on compassionate use and expanded access programs in Belgium, the availability of off label MabThera is limited to 100 patients per year (max. 4 cycles per patient).

The BHS has been asked to mediate in getting the limited MabThera supplies to patients who need it most. A BHS decision committee has been created and consists of A. Van Hoof, F. Offner, A. Bosly and D. Bron. The program is called 'MabThera Medical Supplies' and is intended for patients who have no other therapeutical options.

The following indications have been withheld by the expert advisory board:

- AIHA
- ITP
- PTLD
- TTP
- Waldenström

Specific request forms have been developed for this purpose. You can access these forms on the BHS website through the following link: www.bhs.be .

The practical procedure will be as follows:

- The requesting physician fills out the appropriate 'MabThera Medical Supplies' form according to the indication.
- The request form needs to be sent to the BHS decision committee (fax: 093322737).
- The requests will be reviewed within 5 working days.
- Only request of patients who meet one of the criteria mentioned above will be considered for approval. Once the BHS decision committee has approved the request, the requesting physician will be notified (see tick box on the request form).
- A patient code will be attributed (see request form).

Attributed patient code

BHS decision committee

Request accepted

Request not accepted – reason

(optional) :

Name: _____ **Signature:** _____ **Date:**
_____/_____/_____ (DD/MM/YYYY)

In order to receive samples of MabThera, the requesting physician must fax to Roche Onco (02/558 93 94) the form approved by the BHS committee together with a signed prescription with INAMI/RIZIV stamp

- In order to receive samples of MabThera, please fax the approved request form together with a signed prescription (please do copy the assigned patient code and make sure the prescription is RIZIV / INAMI stamped) to Roche (**fax: 02/558.93.94**). Roche will then dispatch the MabThera medication to your hospital.

May we kindly ask you to only contact Roche once your request has been approved.

Prof. Dr. Fritz Offner

President of the BHS