

# About cutaneous T-cell lymphoma

Cutaneous T-cell lymphoma (CTCL) is a rare, serious, and potentially life-threatening form of non-Hodgkin lymphoma (nHL)<sup>1,2</sup> accounting for around 4% of all nHLs.<sup>3</sup>

CTCL comprises a heterogeneous group of lymphoproliferative disorders characterised by localisation of neoplastic T lymphocytes to the skin.<sup>4</sup>

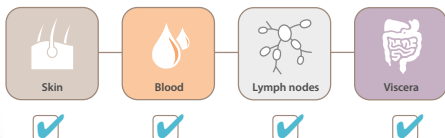
CTCL affects around 240 people per million in Europe at any one time.<sup>5</sup>



Mycosis fungoides (MF) and Sézary syndrome (SS) are the most studied CTCL subtypes and together account for around two-thirds of all CTCLs.<sup>6,7</sup>

■ MF: 60%  
■ SS: 5%

Prognostic factors in MF and SS include the type and extent of skin involvement, as well as the presence of extracutaneous disease in blood, lymph nodes, and viscera.<sup>1,10</sup>



Blood involvement characterises SS, but blood and lymph node involvement may also be seen in early- to late-stage MF.<sup>11,12</sup>

Presence of significant malignant T cells in the blood correlates with increased morbidity and an overall reduction in patient survival.<sup>1,4,13</sup>

Early assessment of blood tumour burden by flow cytometry is recommended to accurately ascertain overall disease stage – the most important prognostic factor.<sup>14,15</sup>

For full prescribing information refer to the Summary of Product Characteristics, available [here](#)

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