**Rituximab-funding in SLE: Patient eligibility checklist**

* In order for Rituximab to be funded for use in SLE criteria 1-5 below must **ALL** be met:

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|  | **Criteria** | **Criteria met?** | |
| **1** | Diagnosis of SLE  *(fulfilling either ACR or SLICC criteria)* | € Yes | € No – criteria not met |
| **2** | Active disease  *(defined as at least one BILAG A score and/or 2B scores, or a SLEDAI-2K score >6)* | **Number of BILAG A scores:**  **Number of BIALG B scores:**  **SLEDAI-2K score:**  € Yes | € No – criteria not met |
| **3** | Failure to respond or having adverse events to, two or more standard immunosuppressive therapies (one of which must be either **mycophenolate mofetil** or **cyclophosphamide**, unless contraindicated) in combination with corticosteroids.  *A failed response is defined as being unable to achieve sustained disease control and still having evidence of at least one BILAG A or at least 2 BILAG B scores (or requiring unacceptably high levels of long term oral corticosteroids to maintain a lower disease activity state)* | **Immunosuppressive therapy #1:**  **Immunosuppressive therapy #2:**  **Immunosuppressive therapy #3:**  € Yes | € No – criteria not met |
| **4** | All patients who meet the above criteria of refractory disease activity sufficient to justify the use of rituximab, must be managed at, or in collaboration, with a centre commissioned to provide specialised services that has expertise in the assessment and management of SLE. | **Specialised centre named:**  € Yes | € No – criteria not met |
| **5** | All patients receiving rituximab for SLE must be registered with the BILAG Biologics Register ([www.bilagbr.org](http://www.bilagbr.org)). Contact [Emily.sutton@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:Emily.sutton@manchester.ac.uk) or 0161 3061916 for details of how to register the patient | **Study coordinator contacted**  € Yes | € No – criteria not met |

Attachments (please tick):

€ ACR **or** € SLICC SLE criteria

€ BILAG 2004 index **or** €SLEDAI-2K

€ Patient consent form for BILAG BR