TITLE	COMPARATIVE EFFECTIVENESS AND SAFETY OF BUDESONIDE STERINEBS® VS. PULMICORT RESPULES® IN A US POPULATION OF ASTHMA PATIENTS.
Subtitle	Historic cohort, US database study comparing effectiveness and safety of nebulised medication labelled by TEVA Ltd (Budesonide SteriNebs <sup>®</sup> ) against the originator product (Pulmicort Respules <sup>®</sup> ), in patients with a diagnosis for asthma.
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### **1. BACKGROUND AND RATIONALE**

Teva Ltd is a global company ranking among the 10 top pharmaceutical companies in the world. Headquartered in Israel, Teva is active in 60 countries, with over 46,400 dedicated employees worldwide. The company is now looking to launch 3 different nebuliser products in China where the market is rapidly expanding: Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup>, Salbutamol SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> and Ipratropium Bromide/Albuterol SteriNebs<sup>®</sup>. This protocol focuses on Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup>.

Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> is an inhalation suspension containing Budesonide, an antiinflammatory corticosteroid that exhibits potent glucocorticoid activity. It is used for longterm maintenance therapy to control and prevent asthma symptoms and as prophylactic therapy in children 12 months to 8 years of age.

In 2008, Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> has been approved by the US Food and Drug Administration and in December 2009 was launched on the market as generic product of Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup>, which is marketed worldwide, including China.

In order to support a clinical trial waiver for marketing Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> in China, Teva will provide recent data demonstrating their product is not inferior to the originator. To accomplish this, an observational data-base study will be conducted comparing effectiveness and safety of the long-term usage of the two products in a US asthma population. A regulatory standard protocol, together with the completed analysis will be produced for the submission to Chinese regulators.

### 2. AIM AND OBJECTIVES

The aim of this study is to compare Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> with its originator, Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup>. The primary objective is to assess whether effectiveness (in terms of exacerbations) of Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> is non-inferior to that of Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup> in both adult and children diagnosed with asthma. The secondary objective is to compare safety of Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> with Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup> in both adults and children diagnosed with asthma.

# 3. DATA SOURCE AND EXTRACTION

This study will use the Clinformatics<sup>™</sup> Data Mart (CDM) database<sup>1</sup>, an anonymous patient longitudinal database (APLD, US observational data), which contains retrospective claims data (2000-2012) from an employed, commercially insured United States population, including more than 45 million unique members. It is provided by OptumInsight Life Sciences<sup>2</sup> and contains:

- Medical claims (primary care and secondary care)
- Pharmacy claims
- Laboratory results
- Pricing information

Data from this database will be obtained for the final analysis using an appropriate dataextraction algorithm. Obtained data will be then validated ad cleaned for further statistical analysis.

# 4. RESEARCH METHODS

#### 4.1 Study products

- Reference Therapy: PULMICORT RESPULES®

Originator product consisting of a suspension for inhalation via jet nebuliser containing the corticosteroid budesonide. Three dose strengths are available in single-dose ampules (Respules<sup>™</sup> ampules): 0.25 mg; 0.50 mg and 1 mg per 2 mL.

- Investigational Product: BUDESONIDE STERINEBS®

Generic product of Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup>. It is a suspension for inhalation via jet nebuliser containing the corticosteroid budesonide and is available in two dose strengths: 0.25 mg and 0.50 mg per 2 mL.

#### 4.2 Study period

The date of first launch of Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> in US is December 2009. In order to include as many patients as possible, the study period will cover 2 years within a maximum period

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> www.optum.com

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> www.optuminsight.com

from November 2008 (1 year before drug launch) until last available data on the CDM database (September 2012).

#### 4.3 Study design

This study is a two-year matched historic cohort, database study consisting of one-year baseline period, an index prescription date (IPD) and a one-year outcome period.

**The baseline period** is intended for patient characterization and confounder definition and is the one-year prior to IPD. **The IPD** is defined as the date (day/month/year) at which:

(1) CHANGE SUB-COHORT: asthma patients who were on Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup> in baseline changed to Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> (patients receive  $\geq 1$  prescription)<sup>3</sup>.

(2) CONTINUING SUB-COHORT: asthma patients who were on Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup> in baseline received  $\geq 1$  continued prescription for Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup>.

(3) INITIATION SUB-COHORTS: asthma patients who were not on ICS nebulisers in baseline initiated on either Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup> or Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup>.

Change and initiation sub-cohorts for Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> will be combined to form the "Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> treatment group" and compared to "Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup> treatment group" consisting of a combination of continuing and initiation sub-cohorts for Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup>. Matching will be performed between the two initiation sub-cohorts and between the change and continuing sub-cohorts to ensure comparison of homogeneous groups of patients. A sub-analysis comparing the two initiation sub-cohorts only will also be performed as a sensitivity analysis to confirm the main results. Effectiveness outcomes over the one-year outcome period following IPD will be compared between the treatments.

**The outcome period** is one-year period following IPD and will be used to compare effectiveness and safety of Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> versus Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup>. One-year time period is deemed necessary to record any measurable change in outcomes such as hospitalisations, and also to allow for seasonal changes in respiratory disease and its related conditions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> These patients may later change to Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> after the one year outcome period. This may allow for same patients to be included in both cohorts. We will ensure that these patients will not be used as their own control and will not be matched during statistical analysis.

#### Prescription date = Date at which patients receive: first prescription for inhaled corticosteroid (ICS) Nebuliser (either Pulmicort Respules® or Budesonide SteriNebs®) - Initiation sub-cohorts first prescription for Budesonide SteriNebs® - Change sub-cohort continued prescriptions for Pulmicort Respules® - Continue sub-cohort Pulmicort Respules® Initiation: patients receive ≥ 1 first prescription (including at prescription date) • Continuing: patients receive ≥ 1 continued prescription (including at prescription date) Initiation sub-cohort: patients not prescribed ICS nebulisers Change/continue sub-cohorts: patients with $a \ge 1$ Budesonide SteriNebs® prescription for Pulmicort Respules® Initiation: patients receive ≥ 1 first prescription (including at prescription date) • Change: patients receive ≥ 1 prescription (including at prescription date) 1 year BASELINE period for confounder and 1 year OUTCOME period for effectiveness and matching criteria definition and patient safety evaluation characterisation

### Figure 1: Study design

### 4.4 Study population

People who have been diagnosed with asthma and have been prescribed Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup> will be included in the analysis. Patients must meet the following criteria:

### Inclusion criteria:

- Aged 1-80 years

Adult population: 12-80 years

Paediatric population: ≥1 and <12 years

- Diagnosis for asthma (at any time), based on ICD9 codes (Annex 1)
- Change sub-cohort: ≥1 prescription for Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup> in baseline (1 year prior to IPD) and ≥1 prescriptions for Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> at IPD
- Continuing sub-cohort: ≥1 prescription for Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup> during baseline (1 year prior to IPD) and ≥1 continued prescription for Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup> at IPD
- Initiation sub-cohorts: no prescriptions for ICS nebulisers in baseline (1 year prior to IPD)
   and ≥1 prescription for either Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> or Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup> at IPD

### Exclusion criteria:

- Any other chronic respiratory disease other than asthma
- Use of other ICS nebulisers besides Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup> or Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> in the baseline (1 year prior to IPD).

# 5. VARIABLES

### 5.1 Primary outcome

Primary outcome of this study is "effectiveness", evaluated in terms of:

- Asthma-related<sup>4</sup> hospitalisation rate (number of hospitalisations in the outcome year)
- Severe exacerbation rate (number of American Thoracic Society (ATS)/European Respiratory Society (ERS) exacerbations in the outcome year)

#### Whereby:

### Asthma-related hospitalisation is defined as:

- Asthma-related emergency department (ED) visits OR
- Asthma-related Inpatient admissions

Severe exacerbation is defined as<sup>5</sup> (ATS/ERS definition):

- Asthma-related hospitalisation (as defined above), OR
- Prescription for an acute course of oral steroids<sup>6</sup> from a lower respiratory event<sup>7</sup>

### 5.2 Secondary (exploratory) outcome

Secondary outcome of this study is "safety", evaluated in terms of Adverse Events (AEs).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Asthma-related is defined as one of the diagnostic codes for asthma; or other non-chronic lower respiratory diseases; or lower respiratory tract infection (LRTI: pneumonia, influenza, bronchitis & bronchiolitis or other) as defined in appendix 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> When two exacerbations occur within two weeks from each other – they are considered as the same exacerbation and will only be counted once

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Acute oral steroid use will be defined as all courses where dosing instructions suggest exacerbation treatment (e.g. 6,5,4,3,2,1 reducing, or 30mg as directed) and/or all courses unlikely to be maintenance therapy, i.e. with no dosing instructions but recorded within a ±5-day window from a lower respiratory event (as defined in foot note 7)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> A lower respiratory event is either an asthma-related ED visit/ hospital admission/ ambulatory visit (as defined in foot note 4) or a respiratory investigation recorded within a ±5-day window from the prescription. A respiratory investigation comprises one of the following clinical procedure: chest radiograph (x-ray), chest computerised tomography (CT) scan, bronchogram, pneumogram, chest sonogram, lung biopsy and bronchoscopy (see appendix 2)

Unique AEs are not identified in the CDM database. Instead pre-defined adverse terms can be identified and coded according to the Medical Dictionary for Regulatory Activities (MedDRA) standards. These will include AE typical of ICS use and as specified in the summary of study product characteristics.

In order to do so, we will use ICD-9 Codes and convert them to MedDRA codes categorised by disease area (e.g. cardiovascular events, renal events).

Data will be extracted on all adverse events, serious or otherwise. Events of particular note include:

- Cardiac events
- Glaucoma
- Prostatic hypertrophy
- Respiratory adverse events
- Death (serious AE)

#### 5.3 Demographics and baseline variables

In order to capture real-world data on the utilisation of Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> and Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup> in clinical practice, the patients prescribed these therapies will be characterised according to their:

- Age at IPD and sex
- Prior asthma maintenance therapy (maintenance therapy prescribed before IPD)
- Co-morbidities (presence of co-morbid diagnoses, also using the Charlson Comorbidities Index)
- Baseline co-medication (presence of prescription for gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD), (captured only with a diagnosis of GERD), acetaminophen (paracetamol) and antibiotics (abx)
- Ambulatory visits<sup>8</sup> (asthma-related visits, any visits)
- Number of asthma "clinical" exacerbations, defined as:
  - Severe ATS/ERS exacerbation (as defined above) OR
  - Course for antibiotics from a lower respiratory event<sup>7</sup>
- Disease control in the year prior to IPD, defined as:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>Ambulatory visits can either be primary care visits or outpatient department visit

#### Risk domain asthma control

Where control is defined as the absence of:

- Severe exacerbations AND
- Out-patient department attendances

#### **Overall asthma control**

Where control is defined as:

- Risk Domain Asthma control AND
- Average daily dose of ≤180mcg albuterol

# 6. STATISTICS

Analyses will be carried out using SPSS Statistics 21 (IBM SPSS Statistics, UK) and SAS 9.3 (SAS Institute, UK) software.

#### 6.1 Power calculation

A previous study has reported that 26.1% of asthma patients (2,019 out of 7,734) using ICS have at least one exacerbation in the one-year period after initiation. Assuming the proportion in the standard group is 26.1% and the expected difference between the proportions is 0, a sample size of 2,172 in each group would be required to adequately power the study in a two-group large-sample normal approximation, with a one-sided 0.050 significance level. This would provide 90% power to reject the null hypothesis that the investigational and the reference are not equivalent, i.e. the difference in proportions is -3.9% (15% of 26.1%) or further from zero in the same direction.

Number of patients potentially available from the US database are reported below:

Study drugs	NDC codes	strength	Launch date	Patient Numbers
Budesonide SteriNebs®	00093681573	0.25 mg/2mL	11-19-2008	74.014
(Teva USA )	00093681673	0.5 mg/2mL	11-19-2008	74,814
	00186198804	0.25 mg/2mL	09/08/2000	
Pulmicort Respules®	00186198904	0.5 mg/2mL	09/08/2000	115,029
(AstraZeneca LP)	00186199004	1 mg/2mL	09-17-2007	

#### 6.2 Exploratory analysis

Prior to the extended statistical analysis, an exploratory analysis of each cohort will be carried out for data validation and to identify potential outliers. The exploratory analysis will also help to investigate possible baseline differences between the two cohorts in order to evaluate whether the analysis may benefit from matching. Unmatched/matched statistical analyses will be performed using appropriate regression modelling. This robust statistical approach minimizes potential confounding of results by indication or severity. Statistically significant results will be defined as p<0.05 and trends as p<0.10.

#### 6.3 Summary statistics

Summary statistics will be produced for all baseline and outcome variables, as a complete dataset and by treatment, including:

(1) Variables measured on the interval/ratio scale:

- Sample size (n) and percentage non-missing
- Mean and Variance / Standard Deviation
- Range (Minimum / Maximum)
- Median and Inter-quartile Range (25th and 75th percentiles)

(2) Categorical variables:

- Sample size (n)
- Range (if applicable)
- Count and Percentage by category (distribution)

#### 6.4 Comparisons between treatment groups

Treatment groups will be compared using the following tests:

(1) Variables measured on the interval/ratio scale:

- t-test (normal distribution)
- Mann Whitney U-test (skewed data)

(2) Categorical variables:

- Chi square test

#### 6.5 Patient matching

If necessary depending on baseline results, individual patients in the two treatment groups (i.e. Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup> or Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup>) will be matched to ensure the comparison of like patients. All the valid records satisfying inclusion and exclusion criteria in the Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup> study cohort are considered as potential 1:1 matches to Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> patients. The final selection of matched patients will ensure that only unique patients are selected from all cohorts by random methods. Random selection process through SAS statistical software will be used to avoid selection bias. Patients initiating on Pulmicort Respules<sup>®</sup> will be matched with patients initiating on Budesonide SteriNebs<sup>®</sup> and patients in

the continuing cohort will be matched with patients in the change cohort. The matching criteria and matching ratio will be determined once the baseline data are examined. Baseline characterisation will be via demographics and clinical variables (for example age, gender, baseline exacerbations, acute oral steroid use or average daily SABA inhalers use during baseline). Any residual differences between the treatment groups after matching that are considered to be potentially significant (p<0.10) and any variables predictive of the outcome will be adjusted for through further statistical modelling. When variables are co-linear in nature, clinical input will be sought to decide which of those that are co-linear are put into the model.

#### 6.6 Comparisons between effectiveness outcomes (primary analyses)

#### (1) Asthma-related hospitalisation rate

Hospitalisation in the outcome period will be compared between treatment groups using a Conditional Poisson regression model. The model will use empirical standard errors (for more conservative confidence interval estimations) and adjustments will be made for potential baseline confounders. The adjusted rate ratio with 95% confidence interval will be reported.

#### (2) Severe exacerbations rate

Exacerbations rates in the outcome period will be compared between treatment groups using a conditional Poisson regression model. The model will use empirical standard errors (for more conservative confidence interval estimations) and adjustments will be made for potential baseline confounders. The adjusted rate ratio with 95% confidence interval will be reported.

Baseline characterisation will be used to adjust for confounding factors. Those variables that will be significantly different or show a trend towards a difference (p < 0.10) between the treatment groups at baseline will be included as potential confounding factors. In addition, variables that are found to be predictive (p < 0.05) of the outcome through multivariate analysis will also be considered as potential confounders.

#### 6.7 Comparisons among safety variables (secondary/exploratory analyses)

AEs rates (as total and individual events) in the outcome period will be compared between treatment groups using a conditional Poisson regression model. The model will use empirical standard errors (for more conservative confidence interval estimations), and adjustments will be made for potential baseline confounders. The adjusted rate ratio with 95% confidence interval will be reported.

A more detailed description of the statistical analysis is reported in the attached statistical analysis plan (SAP).

# 7. LIMITATIONS OF RESEARCH METHODS

As with all database studies, a number of limitations exists for which it is not possible to adjust (e.g. potential confounding factors with the problem of internal validity).

The methods of adjustment described in the Study Design will be used to address all factors for which it is possible to account for. Given the inherent limitations of database studies, however, the study results need to be viewed in conjunction with those from other studies, in particular randomised controlled trials.

# 8. PROTECTION OF HUMAN SUBJECTS

Due to the sensitive nature of personal medical data, all the researchers involved in this study are aware of ethical and regulatory aspects and strive to take all reasonable measures to ensure compliance with ethical and regulatory issues on privacy. The CDM database used for this study is already used for Pharmacoepidemiological research<sup>9</sup> and has a well-developed mechanism to ensure that regulations dealing with ethical use of the data and adequate privacy control are adhered to.

# 9. REGULATORY AND ETHICAL COMPLIANCE

This study was designed and shall be implemented and reported in accordance with the criteria of the "European Network Centres for Pharmacoepidemiology and Pharmacovigilance (ENCePP) study" and follows the ENCePP Code of Conduct (EMA 2014)<sup>10</sup>.

# **10. DISSEMINATION PLAN**

This study will be registered with ENCePP with the aim of presenting initial results in poster/oral format at appropriate thoracic conferences. At least one manuscript containing more detailed results and methodology will be submitted to a journal specialising in

Lin J et al. J Med Econ. 2013; 16(5):685-90.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Tkacz J et al. Clin Ther. 2014; 36(5):737-47.

Oleen-Burkey M et al. BMC Neurol. 2014; 14;14:11.

Oleen-Burkey M et al. J Med Econ. 2013; 16(3):397-406.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Revision 3 of the ENCePP Code of Conduct, available at: http://www.encepp.eu/code\_of\_conduct/.

respiratory medicine. Submission for publications should be made as soon as the analyses are completed and the results are verified. Preferred respiratory congresses and journals will be agreed in discussion with Teva Ltd.

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# **12.ANNEX 1**

### ICD-9 disease classification:

VARIABLE	CATEGORY	ICD-9 C	ODES			
ВМІ	Underweight <ul> <li>Adults: &lt;19 kg/m<sup>2</sup></li> <li>Paeds: &lt;5<sup>th</sup> percentile</li> </ul>	78322	V850	V8551		
	Normal • Adults: 19- 24.9 kg/m <sup>2</sup> • Paeds: 5 <sup>th</sup> -<85 <sup>th</sup> percentile	V851	V8552			
	Overweight • Adults: 25-29.9 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	27802	V8522	V8523	V8525	V8553
	<ul> <li>Paeds:8 5<sup>th</sup> -&lt;95<sup>th</sup> percentile</li> </ul>	V852	V8521	V8524	-	-
	Obese	27800	V8534	V8541	V8531	V8538
	• Adults: >=30 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	27801	V8535	V8542	V8532	V8539
	<ul> <li>Paeds: &gt;=95<sup>th</sup> percentile</li> </ul>	V853	V8536	V8543	V8533	V854
		V8530	V8537	V8544	V8545	V8554
Asthma & COPD	Asthma	49300	49311	49390	49310	49392
diagnosis		49301	49312	49391	49381	49382
		49302	49310			
	Asthma + COPD	49320	49321	49322	-	-
	COPD	490	49122	4940	49120	4928
		4910	4918	4941	49121	5181
		4911	4919	496	4920	5182
Other lower	Chronic	01000	01191	01381	01611	01751
respiratory diseases		01001	01192	01382	01612	01752
		01002	01193	01383	01613	01753
		01003	01194	01384	01614	01754
		01004	01195	01385	01615	01755
		01005	01196	01386	01616	01756
		01006	01200	01390	01620	01760
		01010	01201	01391	01621	01761
		01011	01202	01392	01622	01762
		01012	01203	01393	01623	01763
		01013	01204	01394	01624	01764
		01014	01205	01395	01625	01765
		01015	01206	01396	01626	01766
		01016	01210	01400	01630	01770
		01080	01211	01401	01631	01771
		01081	01212	01402	01632	01772
		01082	01213	01403	01633	01773
		01083	01214	01404	01634	01774
		01084	01215	01405	01635	01775
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01121	01302	01522	01672	01882
01122	01303	01523	01673	01883
01123	01304	01524	01674	01884
01124	01305	01525	01675	01885
01125	01306	01526	01676	01886
01126	01310	01550	01690	01890
01130	01311	01551	01691	01891
01131	01312	01552	01692	01892
01132	01313	01553	01693	01893
01133	01314	01554	01694	01894
01134	01315	01555	01695	01895
01135	01316	01556	01696	01896
01136	01320	01560	01700	5110
01140	01321	01561	01701	5111
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01170	01352	01592	01732	5065
01171	01353	01593	01732	5069
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Procedure codes for respiratory investigation

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CHEST X-RAY	71010	CPT-4
CHEST X-RAY	71015	CPT-4
CHEST X-RAY	71020	CPT-4
CHEST X-RAY	71021	CPT-4
CHEST X-RAY	71022	CPT-4
CHEST X-RAY AND FLUOROSCOPY	71023	CPT-4
CHEST X-RAY	71030	CPT-4
CHEST X-RAY AND FLUOROSCOPY	71034	CPT-4
CHEST X-RAY	71035	CPT-4
CONTRAST X-RAY OF BRONCHI	71040	CPT-4
CONTRAST X-RAY OF BRONCHI	71060	CPT-4
X-RAY EXAM OF RIBS/CHEST	71101	CPT-4
X-RAY EXAM OF RIBS/CHEST	71111	CPT-4
MRI CHEST W/O DYE	71550	CPT-4
MRI CHEST W/DYE	71551	CPT-4
MRI CHEST W/O & W/DYE	71552	CPT-4
MRI ANGIO CHEST W OR W/O DYE	71555	CPT-4
PLAIN RADIOGRAPHY / THORACIC AORTA	B300	ICD10
PLAIN RADIOGRAPHY OF THORACIC AORTA	B300ZZZ	ICD10
PLAIN RADIOGRAPHY RESPIRATORY SYS	BBO	ICD10
PLAIN RADIOGRAPHY / UPPER AIRWAYS	BBOD	ICD10
PLAIN RADIOGRAPHY OF UPPER AIRWAYS	BBODZZZ	ICD10
PLAIN RADIOGRAPHY / THORACIC DISCS	BR02	ICD10
PLAIN RADIOGRAPHY OF THORACIC DISCS	BR02ZZZ	ICD10
PLAIN RADIOGRAPHY / THORACIC SPINE	BR07	ICD10
PLAIN RADIOGRAPHY OF THORACIC SPINE	BR07ZZZ	ICD10
PLAIN RADIOGRAPHY / CHEST	BW03	ICD10
PLAIN RADIOGRAPHY OF CHEST	BW03ZZZ	ICD10
CT THORAX W/O DYE	71250	CPT-4
CT THORAX W/DYE	71260	CPT-4
CT THORAX W/O & W/DYE	71270	CPT-4
CT ANGIOGRAPHY, CHEST	71275	CPT-4
CT CHEST SPINE W/O DYE	72128	CPT-4
CT CHEST SPINE W/DYE	72129	CPT-4
CT CHEST SPINE W/O & W/DYE	72130	CPT-4
CT CT SCAN/THORACIC AORTA	B320	ICD10
CT SCAN THOR AORTA HI OSMLR CONTRST	B3200ZZ	ICD10
CT CT SCAN THOR AORTA OTH CONTRST	B320YZZ	ICD10
CT SCAN THORACIC AORTA IV OPT COH	B320Z2Z	ICD10
CT CT SCAN OF THORACIC AORTA	B320ZZZ	ICD10

CT CT SCAN/TRACHEA/AIRWAYS	BB2F	ICD10
CT TR/AIRWAYS HI OSM CONT UN/ENHNCD	BB2F00Z	ICD10
CT SCAN TR/AIRWAYS HI OSMLR CONTRST	BB2F0ZZ	ICD10
CT TR/AIRWAYS L OSM CONT UN/ENHNCD	BB2F10Z	ICD10
CT SCAN TR/AIRWAYS L OSMLR CONTRST	BB2F1ZZ	ICD10
CT TRACH/AIRWAYS OTH CONT UN/ENHNCD	BB2FY0Z	ICD10
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CT CT SCAN OF TRACHEA/AIRWAYS	BB2FZZZ	ICD10
CT CT SCAN/THORAX	BP2W	ICD10
CT CT SCAN THOR HI OSMOLAR CONTRST	BP2W0ZZ	ICD10
CT CT SCAN THOR LOW OSMOLAR CONTRST	BP2W1ZZ	ICD10
CT CT SCAN THORAX OTHER CONTRAST	BP2WYZZ	ICD10
CT CT SCAN/THORACIC SPINE	BR27	ICD10
CT CT SCAN OF THORACIC SPINE	BR27ZZZ	ICD10
CT CT SCAN/CHEST & ABDOMEN	BW24	ICD10
CT CT SCAN CHEST ABD OTH CONTRST	BW24YZZ	ICD10
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CT CT SCAN/CHEST ABDOMEN & PELVIS	BW25	ICD10
CT CT SCAN CHEST ABDOMEN & PELVIS	BW25ZZZ	ICD10
OTHER X-RAY OF THORAX	874	ICD-9
CAT OF THORAX	8741	ICD-9
ROUTINE CHEST X-RAY SO DESCRIBED	8744	ICD-9
OTHER CHEST X-RAY	8749	ICD-9
SOFT TISSUE X-RAY OF THORAX	873	ICD-9
ENDOTRACHEAL BRONCHOGRAM	8731	ICD-9
OTHER CONTRAST BRONCHOGRAM	8732	ICD-9
MEDIASTINAL PNEUMOGRAM	8733	ICD-9
SINOGRAM OF CHEST WALL	8738	ICD-9
OTHER SOFT TISSUE X-RAY CHEST WALL	8739	ICD-9
DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURES LUNG&BRONCHUS	332	ICD-9
THORACOSCOPIC LUNG BIOPSY	3320	ICD-9
BRONCHOSCOPY THRU ARTIFICIAL STOMA	3321	ICD-9
FIBER-OPTIC BRONCHOSCOPY	3322	ICD-9
OTHER BRONCHOSCOPY	3323	ICD-9
CLOSED BIOPSY OF BRONCHUS	3324	ICD-9
OPEN BIOPSY OF BRONCHUS	3325	ICD-9
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OTHER DIAGNOSTIC PROC LUNG/BRONCHUS	3329	ICD-9