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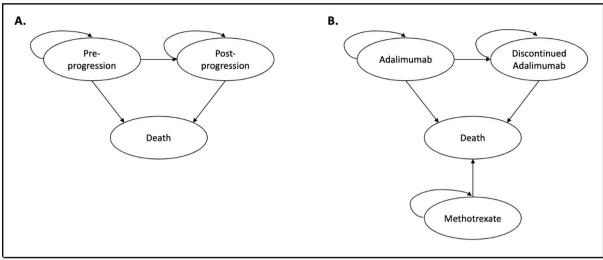


Figure S1. Markov model diagram for melanoma (A) and rheumatoid arthritis (B). (A) one course of Mabs is given in the pre-progression phase. (B) assumes patients take the medication for a patient's lifetime.

The Markov model for melanoma comprised three health states: pre-progression; post-progression; and death (Fig S1A). Patients may transition from pre-progression to post-progression, but not back as patients who have clinically progressed will not return to the pre-progression state. Patients at the pre-progression or post-progression state may also remain within the same health state (curved arrows) or transition to death. The transition probabilities between the health states differed between regimens. The three-state model structure is common in published literature<sup>1</sup> and reflects the changes in health status among patients with stages 3 or 4 melanoma. Patients transition between the health states in annual cycles, and they accrue costs and QALYs over their lifetime.

The Markov model for RA comprised four health states: treated-with-methotrexate, treated-with-adalimumab; discontinued-from-adalimumab; and death (Fig S1B). Patients taking methotrexate may transition from treated-with-methotrexate to death, whereas patients taking adalimumab may transition from treated-with-adalimumab to death or discontinued-from-adalimumab, but not the converse because patients who discontinue adalimumab usually do so due to non- or poor-response to ('failed') adalimumab. The four-state model structure is simplified from published models<sup>2</sup> that usually describe patients transitioning across successive treatments after failing the previous ones.

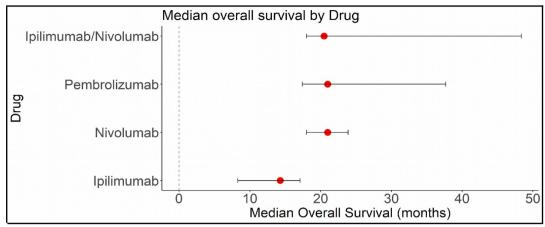


Figure S2. Forest plot of median overall survival across melanoma drugs

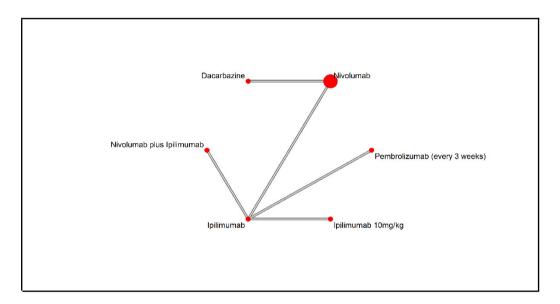


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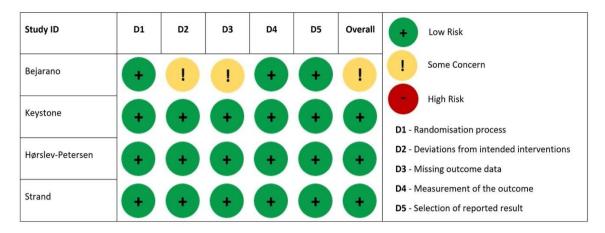


Figure S4. Risk of bias assessment of eligible RCTs of RA participants, assessed using Cochrane Risk of Bias 2 (ROB2) tool. Study ID: $^{4, 5, 6, 7}$ 

Author		Selection			Comparability		Outcome			Overall Score (8)
Addioi	1	2	3	4	Α	В	1	2	3	Overall Score (6)
Behrens	*	N/A	*	*	*	*	*	*		7
Dos Santos	*	N/A	*	*		*	*	*		6
Tanaka	*	N/A	*	*	*	*	*	*		7
Santos-Moreno	*	N/A	*	*			*	*	*	6
Pope	*	N/A		*	*	*	*	*		6
Burmester	*	N/A	*	*			*	*	*	6
Kievit	*	N/A	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	8
Morgan	*	N/A	*	*	*	*		*	*	7
Pappas	*	N/A	*	*			*	*		5
Harigai	*	N/A	*	*	*	*	*	*		7
Pavelka	*	N/A	*	*			*	*		5

Figure S5: Risk of bias assessment of eligible prospective cohort studies of RA participants, assessed using the Newcastle Ottawa Score (NOS) The maximum possible score for a study is eight, as column two in the selection category did not apply to all studies.<sup>8</sup> Authors: <sup>9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19</sup>

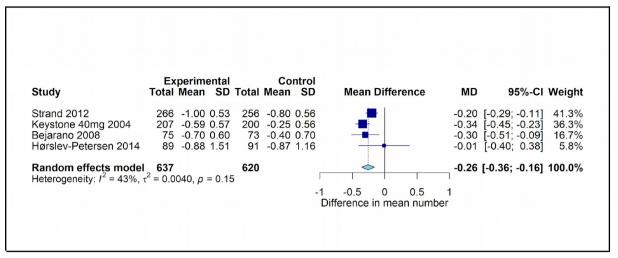


Figure S6. Summary of HAQ outcomes in RCTs, comparing adalimumab and placebo study arms at 12 months, relative to baseline. Studies:<sup>4, 5, 6, 7</sup>

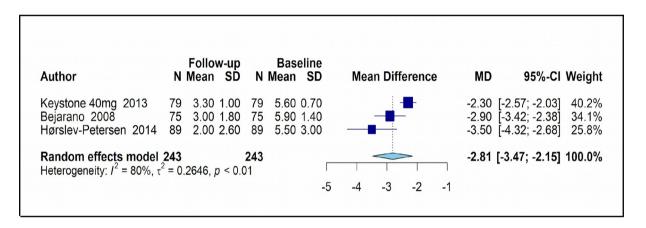


Figure S7. Summary of DAS28 outcome in RCTs, showing the change from baseline to 12 months in adalimumab-treated arms. Authors:<sup>4, 5, 6</sup>

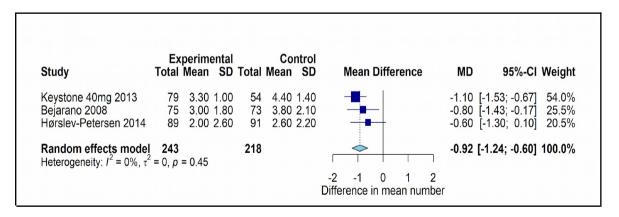


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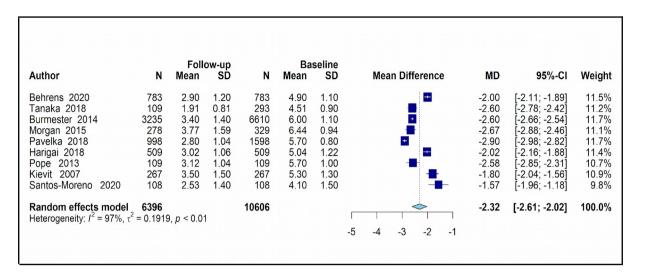


Figure S9. Summary of DAS28 outcomes from real world studies, showing the change from baseline to 12 months in adalimumab-treated patients. Authors: 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19

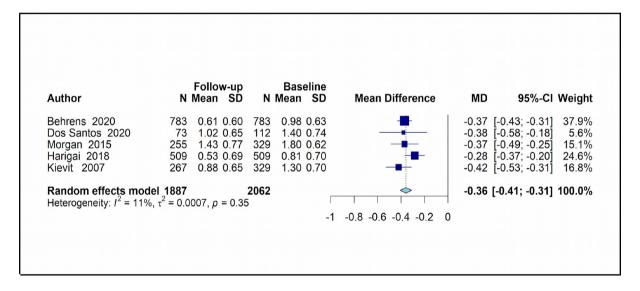


Figure S10. Sensitivity Analysis: Forest plot displaying the weighted mean differences in HAQ-DI at 12 months, relative to baseline in longitudinal cohorts of participants with RA treated with adalimumab, following exclusion of heterogeneous studies. Authors: 9, 11, 12, 13, 14

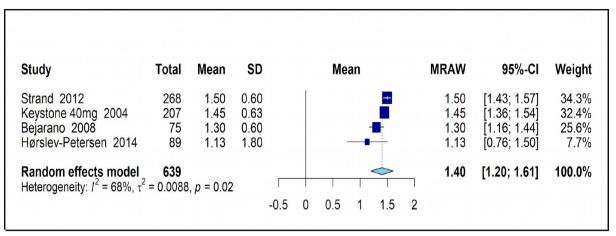


Figure S11. HAQ-DI at baseline in adalimum ab-treated participants of eligible RCTs. Authors:  $^{4,\,5,\,6,\,7}$ 

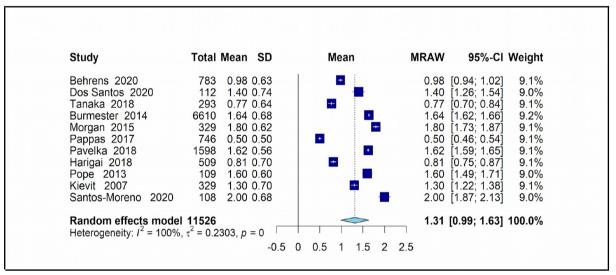


Figure S12. HAQ-DI at baseline in adalimumab-treated participants of eligible real-world studies: 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19

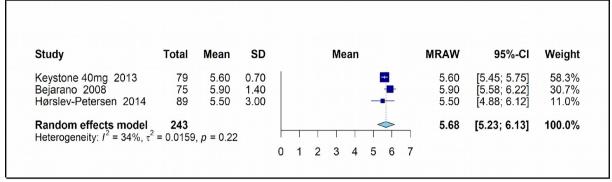


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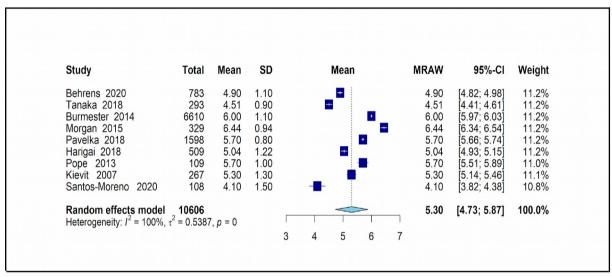


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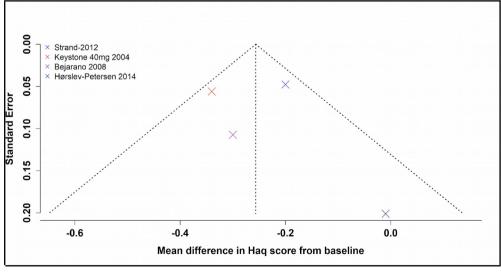


Figure S15. Funnel plot for the HAQ outcome in RCTs, comparing adalimumab and placebo change from baseline to 12 months. Authors:<sup>4, 5, 6, 7</sup>

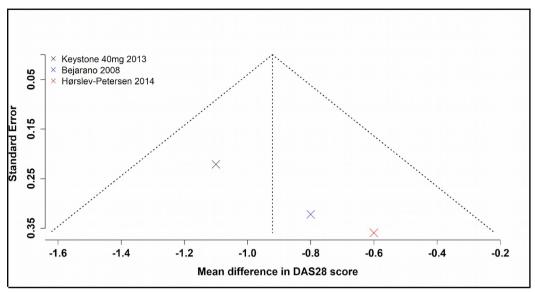


Figure S16. Funnel plot for the DAS28 outcome in RCTs, comparing adalimumab and placebo at follow-up (12 months). Authors:<sup>4, 5, 6</sup>

## Supplementary tables

Mab name	Target	Indication	Year approved
			for use in UK
Ipilimumab	CTLA-4*	Melanoma	2011
Pembrolizumab	PD-1**	Melanoma	2014
Nivolumab	PD-1	Melanoma	2015
Ipi-nivo***	CTLA-4/PD-1	Melanoma	2016
Adalimumab	TNF-alpha	Rheumatoid	2003
		arthritis	

Table S1. Mab drug regimens selected for meta-analysis

\*CTLA-4, cytotoxic T lymphocyte associated antigen 4; \*\*PD1, programmed cell death 1; \*\*\*Ipilimumabnivolumab

The melanoma Mab treatments have enabled patients with unresectable Stage III melanoma and Stage IV melanoma to achieve 5-year overall survival rates of 40-50%<sup>20, 21</sup> compared to 6-9 months for the previous standard of care with dacarbazine.<sup>22</sup> Licensed indications have since extended to other cancers such as renal cell carcinoma, colorectal carcinoma, lung cancer, head and neck cancer, cervical cancer, Hodgkin lymphoma and certain types of breast cancer. Rheumatoid arthritis treatment with adalimumab, which inhibits tumour necrosis factor alpha, is given to patients who have failed to adequately respond to conventional synthetic disease-modifying antirheumatic drugs (csDMARDs). It produces significant reductions in pain, swelling and joint damage.<sup>23, 24</sup> Clinical indications also include other forms of autoimmune inflammatory arthritis (e.g., axial spondyloarthritis, psoriatic arthritis), inflammatory bowel disease, and psoriasis.

Author,	Number	Study	Line of	Median	Age	Sex	PS 0-	BRAF
year	of patients	drugs	treatment, 1st,	FU (mo.)	range	ratio	1	Wt. (%)
			2 <sup>nd</sup>			(% F)	(%)	
Schachter		P, three-						
2017	834	weekly	1,2	22.9	22-89	37.2	100	65
Larkin								
2019	945	IN	1	54.6	18-86	34	99	68
Ascierto		I,			IQR:			
2020	831	3mg/kg	1	43	51-71	36	100	79
Robert								
2020	418	N	1	60	18-87	41.1	99.5	100

Table S2. Baseline characteristics of the four eligible RCTs of Melanoma patients. I, Ipilimumab; N, Nivolumab; IN, Ipi-nivo; P, Pembrolizumab. Authors:<sup>21, 25, 26, 27</sup>

Author,	Country	Numbe r of patients	Study drugs	Line of treatmen t 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3rd	Media n FU (mo.)	Age Rang e	Sex rati o (% F)	PS 0-1 (%)	BRA F Wt. (%)
Margolin, 2015	USA	273	I	1	12.2	26-91	35.2	80. 6	66.3
Cowey, 2018	USA	168	P	1,2,3	10.5	26-90	35	64	65
Jochems, 2018	Nether- lands	807	I	1,2	11.5	41-79	38	88	60
Mohr, 2018	Inter- national	371	I	1,2,3	10.5	22-88	38	94	61
Tarhini, 2019	USA	487	I,N,I N	1	14	NA	45	86	75
Moser, 2019	USA	567	I	1	22.4	49-65	NA	56. 5	0
Liu, 2019	USA	532	P	1,2,3	13.6	18-84	32.1	80	62
Hogg, 2020	Canada	194	I	1	12.9	27-81	35	100	51
Borges, 2021	Portugal	125	P	1,2,3	16.9	37-91	48.8	75	62.4
Moser, 2020	USA	888	P, N	1	17.3	IQR: 66-82	32	81	76
Pavlick, 2021	USA	557	IN	1	15.9	NA	35	79	0
Board, 2018	England	2322	P, I, N, IN	1	18	17-97	45	75	NA
Cowey, 2021	USA	303	P	1,2,3	18.2	26-90	34	74	75
Dalle, 2021	Internationa l	1356	I	1	36	22-90	40	NA	60
Casarotto , 2021	France	223	P	1,2,3	25.3	24-90	51	94	84

Table S3. Baseline characteristics of the 15 eligible longitudinal cohort studies of melanoma patients. I, Ipilimumab; N, Nivolumab; IN, Ipinivo; P, Pembrolizumab.

**Authors:** <sup>28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42</sup>

Author, year	Country	Number of Participants	Mean Age (SD)	Sex (% Male)	Background Therapy	Comparator	Outcomes reported
Keystone, 2004	N. America	207	56.1 (13.5)	23.7	MTX	Placebo	HAQ 12 mo
Bejarano, 2008	UK	75	47 (9)	41.6	MTX	Placebo	HAQ 12 mo DAS28 12 mo
Strand, 2021	N. America, Europe, Australia	266	51.9 (14)	28	MTX	Placebo	HAQ 12/24 mo SF36 12/24 mo
Horslev- Peterson, 2014	Denmark	89	56.3*	37	MTX	Placebo	HAQ 12 mo DAS28 12 mo SF12 12 mo EQ5D 12 mo

Table S4. Baseline characteristics of the four eligible RCTs of RA patients \*Median age. Authors: 4, 5, 6, 7

Author, year	Country	Number of Participants	Mean Age (SD)	Sex (% Male)	Background Therapy	Outcomes Reported
Kievit, 2007	Netherlands	267	55.1 (12.6)	30	csDMARDs	HAQ 12 mo DAS28 12 mo
Pope, 2013	Canada	109	56 (12.9)	16.5		HAQ 12 mo DAS28 12 mo
Burmester, 2014	Europe	3235	53.7 (13)	19.3	MTX, LEF, SSZ	HAQ 12 mo DAS28 12 mo
Morgan, 2015	UK	255	55.92 (12.27)	21.9		HAQ 12 mo DAS28 12 mo SF-36 12 mo
Pappas, 2017	USA	429	53.9 (11.8)	26.9	csDMARDs	HAQ 12/24 mo
Harigai, 2018	Japan	509	59.5 (13.4)	18.1	csDMARDs	HAQ 12 mo DAS28 12/24 mo
Pavelka, 2018	Czech Rep.	951	51.2 (12)	19.3		HAQ 12 mo DAS28 12 mo SF-36 12 mo
Tanaka, 2018	Japan	173	54.3 (13.9)	27	MTX	HAQ 12 mo DAS28 12 mo
Behrens, 2020	Germany	783	47.9 (9.1)	27.7	MTX	HAQ 12/24 mo DAS28 12/24 mo
Dos Santos, 2020	Brazil	73	51.75 (12.36)	19.64	MTX, LEF	HAQ 12 mo EQ5D 12 mo
Santos- Moreno, 2020	Columbia	109	56*	12.04	MTX	HAQ 12/24 mo DAS28 12/24 mo

Table S5. Baseline characteristics of the 11 eligible longitudinal cohort studies of RA patients. \*Median age. Authors: 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19

	Phase III RCTs (4)	Prospective Cohort Studies (11)
12 Month HAQ	4	11
24 Month HAQ	1	3
12 Month DAS28	2	9
24 Month DAS28	-	3
12 Month SF36/SF12	2	2
24 Month SF36/SF12	1	-
12 Month EQ5D	1	1

Table S6. Summary table of outcome measures recorded in selected RCTs and longitudinal cohort studies of RA patients treated with adalimumab.

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Total
(a) Melanoma											
Ipilimumab	-	-	-	303	309	258	17	27	27	27	967
Nivolumab	-	-	-	-	-	10	17	7	7	7	47
Ipi-Nivo	-	-	-	-	-	33	100	101	102	102	438
Pembrolizumab	-	-	-	13	16	33	201	202	203	204	872
(b) RA											
Adalimumab	7869	7926	7981	8048	8118	8189	8241	8294	8340	8379	81,387

Table S7. Estimated number of new patients starting treatment since the Mabs became available in NHS England until 2020.

	Lifetime QALYs per patient	Lifetime mAbs Cost per patient	Total Patients	Total Monetary benefit	Net Monetary benefit
<b>Patients from first</b>	availability of Ma	bs to 2020			
(a) Melanoma					
Ipilimumab	3.21	76,883	967	46,424,336	- 25,597,604
Nivolumab	5.22	42,833	47	6,985,255	5,083,681
Ipi-Nivo	5.49	138,489	438	70,883,839	11,239,145
Pembrolizumab	4.35	119,096	872	91,357,995	- 10,394,459
Dacarbazine	2.25	2,433	NA	NA	NA
			2,325	215,615,425	- 19,669,237
(b) RA					
Adalimumab	16.33	32,410	81,387	7,443,284,409	1,819,463,072
- Pre-2019				5,914,207,826	810,956,449
- Post-2019				1,529,076,584	1,008,506,624
Methotrexate	12.67	1,275	NA	NA	NA
Patients from 2017	to 2020				
(a) Melanoma					
Ipilimumab	3.21	76,883	98	4,700,268	- 2,591,649
Nivolumab	5.22	42,833	37	5,495,814	3,999,705
Ipi-Nivo	5.49	138,489	405	65,474,426	10,381,444
Pembrolizumab	4.35	119,096	810	84,828,833	- 9,651,589
Dacarbazine	2.25	2,433	NA	NA	NA
			1,350	160,499,340	- 2,137,910
(b) RA					
Adalimumab	16.33	32,410	33,255	3,041,344,261	1,215,868,837
- Pre-2019				1,512,267,677	207,362,213
- Post-2019				1,529,076,584	1,008,506,624
Methotrexate	12.67	1,275	NA	NA	NA

Table S8. Estimated lifetime QALYs, cost (£) of Mabs, total patients, total monetary benefit, and net monetary benefit, in NHS England

	Input Va	riables	Net Moneta	ry benefit	Threshold Value
	Lower	Upper	Input Var. at	Input Var. at	For Net Return
( ) N. I.	Limit	Limit	Lower Limit	Upper Limit	to Turn 0
(a) Melanoma					
Cost Discount					
Ipilimumab	0.00	0.99	- 18,342,204	39,700,999	0.35
Nivolumab	0.00	0.99	5,254,709	6,622,938	-2.97
Ipi-Nivo	0.00	0.99	16,835,571	61,606,974	-0.20
Pembrolizumab	0.00	0.99	- 860,366	75,412,379	0.11
Hazard ratio mortal	lity (vs Nivolu	mab)			
Ipilimumab	1.25	1.89	9,530,779	- 53,637,887	1.32
Ipi-Nivo	0.63	1.05	49,772,875	- 16,951,680	0.90
Pembrolizumab	0.76	1.44	65,853,280	- 64,617,277	1.00
<b>Baseline probability</b>	(probability	of mortality o	of Nivolumab)		
Nivolumab	0.08	0.23	11,009,400	3,061,262	0.18
<b>Utility baseline</b>					
Ipilimumab	0.36	0.90	-78,189,094	- 12,913,200	1.01
Nivolumab	0.36	0.90	561,495	6,392,904	0.30
Ipi-Nivo	0.26	0.90	- 38,043,950	37,688,246	0.58
Pembrolizumab	0.23	0.90	- 78,618,102	30,269,071	0.71

Utility change (vs bas	eline)				
Ipilimumab	- 0.05	0.01	- 28,227,178	- 22,968,030	0.18
Nivolumab	- 0.00	0.08	4,641,979	5,525,382	-0.43
Ipi-Nivo	- 0.47	0.43	-42,228,364	64,706,655	-0.11
Pembrolizumab	0.01	0.02	- 11,614,365	- 9,174,553	0.08
1 CHIDIOHZumao	0.01	0.02	11,014,505	5,174,555	0.00
Willingness to pay					
Ipilimumab	20,000	80,000	- 53,452,206	2,256,998	77570.00
Nivolumab	20,000	80,000	892,527	9,274,834	13612.00
Ipi-Nivo	20,000	80,000	- 31,291,158	53,769,449	42073.00
Pembrolizumab	20,000	80,000	- 65,209,256	44,420,338	55689.00
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(b) Rheumatoid arthr	itis				
Cost Discount					
Adalimumab (pre-	- 0.10	0.10	2,510,508,310	3,555,879,383	- 0.58
2019)					
Adalimumab	- 0.10	0.10	2,985,682,492	3,080,705,201	- 6.38
(post-2019)					
HAQ					
Adalimumab	0.56	1.03	4,110,003,591	1,819,463,073	1.36
Utility					
Discontinued	0.31	0.92	- 8,726,553,715	14,792,941,408	0.54
Adalimumab					
Probability	0.05	0.15	- 470,702,842	4,717,697,098	0.06
Discontinued					
Adalimumab					
Willingness to pay					
Adalimumab	20,000	30,000	1,301,790,810	4,764,596,883	16,241
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Table S9. One-way sensitivity analyses to examine how the net monetary values (£) changed with the lower and the upper limits of input variables, with the threshold values at which the net monetary benefit turned 0.

# **Appendices**

### Appendix 1. Database details

For the melanoma and RA meta-analyses, two reviewers independently searched the MEDLINE, Embase and Cochrane databases (from database inception to June 2021) to extract eligible studies, and a third reviewer resolved any queries. Excluded from both searches were conference abstracts, case reports, letters to the editor, review articles, and case-control studies. Management of all potentially eligible studies identified in the database search and downloaded used the data management programme Rayyan. Two reviewers independently assessed risk of bias on all eligible studies using the Cochrane Risk of Bias (ROB2) tool<sup>43</sup> for RCTs and the Newcastle Ottawa Score (NOS) for observational cohort studies. <sup>8</sup> Studies judged to be at high risk of bias were excluded from further analysis.

For melanoma, the search used the terms "immune checkpoint inhibitors", "pembrolizumab" or "nivolumab" or "ipilimumab" and "melanoma" and "cohort" or "registry" or "RCT" or "randomised" or "real-world". Among 4882 articles identified, nine RCTs reported OS data

and 13 RWD studies reported median OS and PFS. RCTs compared nivolumab, or ipilimumab (both at 3mg/kg and 10mg/kg doses), or pembrolizumab (two-weekly and three-weekly schedules), or nivolumab plus ipilimumab (ipi-nivo) with the historical chemotherapy regimen (dacarbazine). Nivolumab was designated the reference treatment for statistical comparisons.

The RA search identified 5348 articles, of which four Phase III RCTs and 11 observational cohort studies met the inclusion criteria (Figure 2). Of these four RCTs, three were judged to have a low risk of bias and one was considered to have some sources of bias (Supplemental Fig S4). Of the 11 included cohort studies, five were judged to have minimal risk of bias, while six had some sources of potential bias (Supplemental Fig S5).

For RA, details of the selected RCT (n=4) and cohort studies (n=11) and their baseline characteristics are shown in Supplemental Tables ST3 and ST4. One of these RCTs<sup>6</sup> used two different dosing regimens of adalimumab (40mg and 20mg fortnightly, respectively), but only the 40mg-fortnightly dosing group remained in our analyses because this used the licenced dose of adalimumab for treating RA. The RCTs recruited participants from the USA and Canada (n=2), Europe (n=3), and Australia (n=1). Of the observational cohort studies, all but one recruited from single areas: Europe (n=5); Japan (n=2); North America (n=2); South America (n=2). For the RCTs, the mean age of patients ranged from 47 to 56 years; the proportion of male patients ranged from 24% to 42%. In the cohort studies the mean age ranged from 48 to 60 years; the proportion of males ranged from 12% to 30%.

Reporting of HAQ-DI at 12 months was complete for the selected RCTs (n=4) and prospective cohort studies (n=11). Reporting of other outcome measures was less complete (see Supplemental Tables ST6 and ST7).

### Appendix 2. Summary of data sources for input variables

Input variables were identified through the SLR by specialist clinicians in our team. In the absence of appropriate data from the SLR or further literature searches to identify relevant data, prioritising those from multinational studies or studies conducted in the UK/England for higher generalisability.

Input Variables	Melanoma		Rheumatoid Arthritis
Annual cost of	British National Formulary List Price	•	NHS England Reference Price
Mabs			
Utility values	<ul> <li>EQ-5D utility values in studies<sup>44, 45, 46</sup> identified by our systematic review (small number of studies; unable to meta-analyse)</li> <li>Economic evaluation in England<sup>47</sup></li> </ul>	•	HAQ values meta-analysed by our systematic review, converted to utility values using Birmingham Rheumatoid Arthritis Model mapping equation <sup>48</sup>
Mortality	<ul> <li>Hazard ratios of mortality for each mab relative to nivolumab meta-analysed by our systematic review.</li> <li>Multi-national longitudinal study<sup>20, 21, 49</sup></li> </ul>	•	Multi-national longitudinal study <sup>50</sup>
Probability of	(Not applicable)	•	Multi-national longitudinal study <sup>50</sup>
discontinuing			
from Mabs			
Patient population	<ul> <li>Estimated based on prevalence and</li> </ul>	•	Estimated based on prevalence and

size	incidence rate reported in published literature, accounting for the proportion of patients fulfilling treatment criteria and receiving treatment (see Appendix 4)	incidence rate reported in published literature, accounting for the proportion of patients fulfilling treatment criteria and receiving treatment (see Appendix 4)
Willingness to pay	<ul> <li>NICE willingness-to-pay threshold for end-of-life<sup>51</sup></li> </ul>	NICE willingness-to-pay threshold <sup>52</sup>

Input 1: Annual cost of the Mab regimens and their respective comparators. For melanoma, the calculation of cost was based on the British-National-Formulary-listed price. <sup>53, 54, 55, 56</sup> For RA, two costs of adalimumab were used: cost before biosimilars were available (before 2019), calculated from the BNF-listed price; <sup>57</sup> and cost from 2019 based on the NHS-England-listed price. <sup>58</sup> The cost of methotrexate was based on the BNF-listed price. <sup>59</sup> The calculations of total costs assumed no discount and accounted for the dose, frequency, and duration recommended in the UK (Appendix 5). <sup>60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65</sup> The four Mab regimens for melanoma were administered to patients in the pre-progressed state for a specific duration, whereas adalimumab was administered to patients in the treated-with-adalimumab state perpetually. Costs included administration of the Mabs, based on NHS reference prices; this is incurred by all melanoma Mab administrations, but only by adalimumab in year-1 because patients may self-administer adalimumab at home after year-1. Where appropriate, costs were inflated to year-2021 using the UK consumer price index for health. <sup>66</sup>

Input 2: Utility value (UV) for each health state. In the melanoma model, for pre-progressed health state, UVs were based on published studies<sup>44, 45, 46</sup> identified through our SLR; for the post-progressed health state, UV, also used in an economic evaluation of checkpoint inhibitors in England, originated from a multi-national RCT.<sup>47, 67</sup> In the RA model, UV for the adalimumab health state was converted (using RA model mapping equation (Equation 1)<sup>48</sup> – see Equation 1) from Health Assessment Questionnaire – Disability Index (HAQ-DI) score derived by meta-analysis; the discontinued-from-adalimumab state shared the same UV, based on the conservative assumption that patients who discontinued from adalimumab will benefit similarly from other Mabs not investigated in this study. In both melanoma and RA models, the death state has a UV of 0. QALYs are calculated by multiplying UVs by the duration a patient stays within respective health states and summed for all health states.

## Utility value= $0.804-0.203 \times HAQ-DI-0.045 \times (HAD-DI)^2$ **Eq. 1**

<u>Input 3: Mortality.</u> For melanoma, the mortality HRs for each Mab regimen relative to nivolumab was estimated by our SLR; the probability of death for nivolumab or the probabilities of transitioning to post-progression state for all Mabs were obtained from follow-up studies of multi-national RCTs.<sup>20, 21, 49</sup> For RA, the probability of death followed that of England's life table, based on the assumption that RA has no effect on mortality.

<u>Input 4: Probability of discontinuation from Mabs</u>. Only required for the RA model of discontinued-from-adalimumab state, this was obtained from a multi-national longitudinal study.<sup>50</sup> Melanoma patients in palliative care are only treated with a single Mab rather than

transitioning to a new Mab (Appendix 5).

<u>Input 5: Patient-population size in England</u>. Of several sources of historical data explored, none was suitable within the timeframe of our study (Appendix 6). Our estimate of the patient-population size in England was therefore based on the reported prevalence and incidence of melanoma and RA, accounting for the proportion of patients fulfilling treatment criteria and receiving treatment (Appendix 5).

<u>Input 6: Willingness to pay (WTP) per QALY gained</u>. For Stages 3 and 4 melanomas fulfilling the National Institutes of Health & Care Excellence (NICE) end-of-life criteria, the model adopted a WTP of  $£50,000^{51}$  at base-case, with £20,000 and £80,000 for sensitivity analyses. The RA model adopted a WTP of £25,000 at base-case, with £20,000 and £30,000 for sensitivity analyses.

Analytical approach. Base-case analyses employed the total and net monetary benefits on QALYs estimated for each Mab treatment for all patients starting treatment when the Mab became available in NHS England, using the base-case (mean) values of all data. The *total* monetary benefit for each Mab was estimated with Equation 2. The *net* monetary benefit for each Mab is estimated with Equation 3. A positive net monetary benefit would suggest that the Mab is potentially cost-effective at the specified level of WTP; a negative net monetary benefit suggests that the Mab may not be cost-effective, assuming the source-information is accurate.

Total monetary benefit =QALY of mAb-QALY of comparator ×WTP per QALY	<b>Eq. 2</b>
Net monetary benefit =Total monetary benefit -(Cost of mAb- Cost of comparator)	<b>Eq.</b> 3

### Appendix 3. Input variables point estimates and ranges

Input Variables	Base-case	Lower Limit	Upper Limit	References
(a) Melanoma				
Utility (Baseline)				
Dacarbazine	0.71	0.31	0.90	45
Ipilimumab	0.80	0.22	0.90	46
Nivolumab	0.78	0.22	0.90	45
Ipi-Nivo	0.68	0.22	0.90	44
Pembrolizumab	0.65	0.21	0.90	44
Utility (Change)				
Dacarbazine	0.03	- 0.11	0.04	45
Ipilimumab	- 0.03	- 0.05	- 0.01	46
Nivolumab	0.04	- 0.00	0.08	45
Ipi-Nivo	- 0.02	- 0.47	0.43	46
Pembrolizumab	0.15	0.01	0.02	44
Utility				

0.73	-	-	67
0.69		_	49
			21
			21
			21
			21
	0.08	0.23	21
0.15	0.00	0.23	
		2.47	Meta-analysis
			Meta-analysis
			Meta-analysis
1.05	0.76	1.44	Meta-analysis
tors			
	-	-	55
	-	-	56
36,335	-	-	53
127,660	-	-	53, 56
84,160	-	-	54
34,365	-	-	54
0	0	0.99	Assumption for threshold analysis
	_		68
			68
401			
50000	20000	80000	51
0.79	0.56	1.03	Meta-analysis
1.31	0.99	1.63	Meta-analysis
0.62	0.21	0.02	Converted from HAQ-DI for
0.62	0.31	0.92	adalimumab; assumed same
			as adalimumab.
0.10	0.05	0.15	50
0.0042	0.0021	0.0063	50
tors			
3679	-	-	58
	-	-	57
41			59
7.1			
	0.69 0.40 0.22 0.19 0.27 0.15  2.15 1.54 0.82 1.05  tors  550 75,000 36,335 127,660 84,160 34,365 0  471 481  50000  0.79 1.31  0.62  tors  3679 9156	0.69	0.69

Cost of Administration					
First year adalimumab	134	-	-	48	
First year monitoring cost of adalimumab	180	-	-	48	
Ongoing monitoring cost of methotrexate	135	-	-	48	
WTP per QALY	25000	20000	30000	52	

- 1. Dacarbazine 250mg/m2 5 days every 3 weeks, until progression
- 2. Ipilimumab 3mg/kg for 4 cycles
- 3. Nivolumab 240mg every 2 weeks, until progression
- 4. Ipilimumab 3mg/kg for 4 cycles, followed by nivolumab 240mg every 2 weeks, until progression
- 5. Pembrolizumab 100mg every 3 weeks, until progression. Patients will only incur the second-year cost if they survive the first year within the pre-progressed health state.
- 6. Adalimumab 40mg / ml every 2 weeks before and after biosimilars are available in England NHS in year 2019
- 7. Methotrexate 20mg weekly

Appendix 4. Calculations of patient population size in England for (A) Stages 3 or 4 unresectable melanoma and (B) RA

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Ref.
(a) Melanoma	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·							<u> </u>	<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>	<del></del>	
England Population	NA	NA	NA	54,316.6	54,786.3	55,268.1	55,619.4	55,977.2	56,287.0	56,550.0	66
('000) Patients Living with Melanoma,	NA	NA	NA	127,833	138,250	148,856	159,653	170,259	180,758	191,141	66
a Crude incidence (per 100,000)	NA	NA	NA	23.90	24.40	24.90	24.75	24.75	24.75	24.75	69
New Diagnoses, b	NA	NA	NA	12,951	13,334	13,725	13,726	13,812	13,886	13,949	Calculated
Total Melanoma Patients, a + b	NA	NA	NA	140,784	151,584	162,580	173,380	184,072	194,645	205,090	Calculated
Survival Rate	NA	NA	NA	0.98	0.98	0.98	0.98	0.98	0.98	0.98	70
Total Patients Survived 1 Year	NA	NA	NA	138,250	148,856	159,654	170,259	180,758	191,141	201,398	Calculated
% Stages 3 or 4	NA	NA	NA	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	71
Patients with Stages 3 or 4	NA	NA	NA	12,857	13,844	14,848	15,834	16,811	17,776	18,730	Calculated
% Treated	NA	NA	NA	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	28
% Treated with Selected Mabbs as First Line	NA	NA	NA	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	
Total Patients Starting Treatment	NA	NA	NA	316	325	335	335	337	338	340	Calculated
% Ipilimumab	NA	NA	NA	0.96	0.95	0.77	0.05	0.08	0.08	0.08	28
% Nivolumab	NA	NA	NA	0	0	0.03	0.05	0.02	0.02	0.02	
% Ipi-Nivo	NA	NA	NA	0	0	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	
%	NA	NA	NA	0.04	0.05	0.1	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	
Pembrolizumab											
N Ipilimumab	NA	NA	NA	303	309	258	17	27	27	27	Calculated
N Nivolumab	NA	NA	NA	0	0	10	17	7	7	7	Calculated
N Ipi-Nivo	NA	NA	NA	0	0	33	100	101	102	102	Calculated
N Pembro-	NA	NA	NA	13	16	33	201	202	203	204	Calculated

lizumab

(b) RA	F2 107 2	FD 402 F	ED 065 0	E 4 D 1 C C	F 4 70C 2	FF 260.4	FF C10 4	FF 077 2	EC 207 0	FC FF0 0	66
England Population	53,107.2	53,493.7	53,865.8	54,316.6	54,786.3	55,268.1	55,619.4	55,977.2	56,287.0	56,550.0	00
Crude	0.004877	0.004877	0.004877	0.004877	0.004877	0.004877	0.004877	0.004877	0.004877	0.004877	72
prevalence (per 100,000)											
Individuals Living with RA,	259025	260910	262725	264924	267215	269565	271278	273023	274534	275817	Calculated
a											70
Crude incidence (per 100,000)	0.000410	0.000410	0.000410	0.000410	0.000410	0.000410	0.000410	0.000410	0.000410	0.000410	72
New Diagnoses,	21673	21831	21983	22167	22358	22554	22698	22844	22971	23078	Calculated
b	21075	21001	21505	22107	22550		22050	22011	22371	25070	Gurculatea
Total RA	280698	282741	284708	287090	289572	292120	293976	295867	297505	298895	Calculated
Patients, a + b											
Survival Rate	0.996761	0.996761	0.996761	0.996761	0.996761	0.996761	0.996761	0.996761	0.996761	0.996761	<sup>73</sup> England life table (50 y.o.)
Total Patients Survived 1 Year	279,789	281,825	283,786	286,160	288,635	291,173	293,024	294,909	296,541	297,927	Calculated
% Met	0.0625	0.0625	0.0625	0.0625	0.0625	0.0625	0.0625	0.0625	0.0625	0.0625	74
Treatment Criteria <sup>1</sup>											
Total Met	17,487	17,614	17,737	17,885	18,040	18,198	18,314	18,431	18,534	18,620	Calculated
Treatment											
Criteria <sup>1</sup>											
% Treated with	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	75
Adalimumab											
Total Treated	7869	7926	7981	8048	8118	8189	8241	8294	8340	8379	Calculated
with Adalimumab											
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<sup>1.</sup> Patients with moderate RA (DAS28 between 3.2 and 5.1) in whom intensive therapy with  $\geq$ 2 conventional disease modifying anti-rheumatic drugs (csDMARDs) has not controlled the disease well enough

Appendix 5. Dose, frequency, and duration of administration assumed in calculating the cost of the Mabs

	Dose	Frequency	Duration	References
Melanoma				
Ipilimumab	3mg / kg	4 times	-	44, 62
Nivolumab	240mg	Every 2 weeks	Until progression (6.9 months)	44, 62, 63
Ipi-Nivo	3mg / kg ipilimumab, with 70mg nivolumab then 240mg nivolumab	Ipilimumab 4 times, then nivolumab every 2 weeks	Until progression (11.5 months)	62, 63
Pembrolizumab	200mg	Every 3 weeks	Until progression (16.9 months)	21, 65
Dacarbazine	250mg / m² body surface area (1.79m²)	5 days every 3 weeks	Until progression (2.2 months)	36, 60
Rheumatoid arthritis				
Adalimumab	40mg	Every 2 weeks	Perpetual	61
Methotrexate	20mg	Weekly	Perpetual	64

### Appendix 6. List of historical data sources explored for population size

Aggregate data for the systemic anti-cancer therapy (SACT) dataset. This dataset did not indicate the type of cancer and whether the Mabs were used as the first-line treatment. OPENSafely analytic platform. This platform was only available for COVID-19 research at the time of this study.

The British Society for Rheumatology Biologics Register which tracks the progress of RA patients prescribed a biologic (including biosimilars. This registry is voluntary hence would not give a reliable patient population size in England.

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