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Aducanumab Injection

Aducanumab is a medication that treats mild or early stages of Alzheimer's disease. This condition causes a worsening decline in memory, thinking, learning and organizing skills. It's the most common cause of dementia. A healthcare provider will give you this injection in a hospital or clinic setting.

What is this medication?

ADUCANUMAB (A due KAN ue mab) is used to treat patients with mild or early stages of Alzheimer's disease.

This medicine may be used for other purposes; ask your health care provider or pharmacist if you have questions.

COMMON BRAND NAME(S): Aduhelm

What should I tell my care team before I take this medication?

They need to know if you have any of these conditions:

- An unusual or allergic reaction to aducanumab, other medications, foods, dyes, or preservatives
- Pregnant or trying to get pregnant
- Breast-feeding

How should I use this medication?

This medication is injected into a vein. It is given by your care team in a hospital or clinic setting.

A special MedGuide will be given to you before each treatment. Be sure to read this information carefully each time.

Talk to your care team about the use of this medicine in children. Special care may be needed.

Overdosage: If you think you have taken too much of this medicine contact a poison control center or emergency room at once.

NOTE: This medicine is only for you. Do not share this medicine with others.

What if I miss a dose?

Keep appointments for follow-up doses. It is important not to miss your dose. Call your care team if you are unable to keep an appointment.

What may interact with this medication?

Interactions have not been studied.

This list may not describe all possible interactions. Give your health care provider a list of all the medicines, herbs, non-prescription drugs, or dietary supplements you use. Also tell them if you smoke, drink alcohol, or use illegal drugs. Some items may interact with your medicine.

What should I watch for while using this medication?

Visit your care team for regular checks on your progress. Tell your care team if your symptoms do not start to get better or if they get worse.

What side effects may I notice from receiving this medication?

Side effects that you should report to your care team as soon as possible:

- Allergic reactions—skin rash, itching, hives, swelling of the face, lips, tongue, or throat
- Swelling or small amounts of bleeding in the brain—headache, confusion, dizziness, falls, nausea, seizures, vision changes

Side effects that usually do not require medical attention (report these to your care team if they continue or are bothersome):

- Diarrhea

This list may not describe all possible side effects. Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

Where should I keep my medication?

This medication is given in a hospital or clinic. It will not be stored at home.

NOTE: This sheet is a summary. It may not cover all possible information. If you have questions about this medicine, talk to your doctor, pharmacist, or health care provider.



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