

Talimogene laherparepvec (Imlygic)

About This Medicine

TALIMOGENE LAHERPAREPVEC (tal IM oh jeen la HER pa REP vek) treats skin cancer. It works by helping your immune system slow or stop the spread of cancer cells. It is given as an injection under the skin (subcutaneously) into your skin cancer.

This medicine may be used for other purposes; ask your care team if you have any questions.

Possible Side Effects

- Nausea
- Fever
- Chills
- Flu-like symptoms: fever, headache, muscle and joint aches, and tiredness
- Tiredness
- Pain at the injection site

Note: Each of the side effects above was reported in 25% or greater of people treated with talimogene laherparepvec. All possible side effects are not included. Your side effects may be different depending on your cancer diagnosis, condition, or if you are receiving other drugs in combination. Please discuss any concerns or questions with your care team.

Warnings and Precautions

- Injection site reaction - you may get a rash, swelling or bruising or your skin may get red, warm, itchy or painful at the site of injection. Very rarely it may cause tissue necrosis (death).
- An infection may develop where you get your injection, including a herpes type infection. In people with weak immune systems, this can be life-threatening.
- This medicine works with your immune system and can cause inflammation in any of your organs and tissues and can change how they work.
- In people with multiple myeloma, a collection of cells may form at the injection site called a plasmacytoma.
- In rare cases, difficulty breathing may happen.

Note: Some of the side effects above are very rare. If you have concerns and/or questions, please discuss them with your care team.

Important Information

- This medicine may be present in the urine, stool and other body fluids such as blood, vomit, semen, and vaginal fluids. Take precautions to prevent others from coming in contact with your medicine or your body fluids. Follow safety precautions during your treatment and for as long as directed by your care team after your treatment. If you take a pill each day, follow these precautions every day.
- Wash your hands with soap and water before and after changing dressings. Wear gloves when changing dressings to avoid spreading the herpes virus to other parts of the body.
- Do not scratch or touch the site where you receive your injection. This could spread the herpes virus to other parts of your body.
- People who have a low immune system or who are pregnant should not come into direct contact with your injection site, the dressings that covers the injection site, or your body fluids.
- Your skin cancer and injection site should stay covered for 7 days or longer if it is oozing or weeping. Replace loose dressings right away.
- Dirty dressings and cleaning supplies should be thrown away. Put used dressing and cleaning supplies in a sealed plastic bag and throw away in the regular garbage.
- If you or someone accidentally touch your injection site, wash the exposed area well with soap and water right away. If you or your caregiver think you have a herpes infection, call your care team for instructions.
- Do not kiss others if either of you have an open sore around the mouth.

Treating Side Effects

- Manage tiredness by pacing your activities for the day.
- Be sure to include periods of rest between energy-draining activities.
- Drink enough fluids to keep your urine pale yellow.
- To help with nausea and vomiting eat small, frequent meals instead of three large meals a day. Choose foods and drinks that are at room temperature. Ask your care team about other helpful tips and medicine that is available to help stop or lessen these symptoms.
- If you throw up, you should drink more fluids so that you do not become dehydrated (lack of water in the body from losing too much fluid).
- While you are getting this medicine, please tell your care team right away if you get a rash, swelling or bruising or your skin gets red, warm, itchy or painful at the site of your injection(s).

Food and Medicine Interactions

- There are no known interactions of talimogene laherparepvec with food.
- Check with your care team about all other prescription medicines and over-the-counter medicines and dietary supplements (vitamins, minerals, herbs, and others) you are taking before starting this medicine as there are known medicine interactions with talimogene laherparepvec. Also, check



with your care team before starting any new prescription or over-the-counter medicines, or dietary supplements to make sure that there are no interactions.

When to Call Your Care Team

Call your care team if you have any of these symptoms and/or any new or unusual symptoms:

- Fever of 100.4° F (38° C) or higher
- Chills
- Confusion
- Eye pain
- Blurred vision or other changes in eyesight
- Sensitivity to light
- Tiredness that interferes with your daily activities
- Nausea that stops you from eating or drinking and/or is not relieved by prescribed medicines
- Throwing up more than 3 times a day
- Weakness in your arms or legs
- Trouble breathing
- Pain at the injection site
- Signs of a herpes infection such as pain, burning, or tingling in a blister around your mouth or genitals
- Flu-like symptoms: fever, headache, muscle and joint aches, and fatigue (low energy, feeling weak)

Reproduction Warnings

- **Pregnancy warning:** This medicine may cause serious birth defects. If you can become pregnant, use birth control while taking this medicine. after the last dose. Tell your care team right away if you think you might be pregnant.
- **Breastfeeding warning:** Talk with your care team about breastfeeding during treatment. You may need to stop breastfeeding.
- **Fertility warning:** The effect of this medicine on fertility is not known. If you plan to have children, talk with you care team.

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