

## Tbo-filgrastim (Granix)

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### About This Medicine

TBO-FILGRASTIM (T B O fil GRA stim) lowers the risk of infection in people who are receiving chemotherapy. It works by helping your body make more white blood cells, which protects your body from infection. It is given as an injection under the skin (subcutaneously).

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

### Possible Side Effects

- Pain in your bones

**Note:** *The side effect listed above was reported in 1% or greater of people treated with tbo-filgrastim. 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 medicines in combination. Please discuss any concerns or questions with your care team.*

### Warnings and Precautions

- Enlargement and inflammation (swelling) of your spleen, which can very rarely rupture and be life-threatening. Signs of enlargement may be left-sided pain in your abdomen and/or shoulder.
- Trouble breathing because of fluid build-up in your lungs caused by inflammation (swelling) of the lungs.
- Bleeding in your lungs which may cause coughing up of blood when this medicine is used in healthy donors for stem cell mobilization.
- Allergic reactions, including anaphylaxis are rare but may happen in some people. Signs of allergic reaction to this medicine may be swelling of the face, feeling like your tongue or throat are swelling, trouble breathing, rash, itching, fever, chills, feeling dizzy, and/or feeling that your heart is beating in a fast or not normal way. **If this happens, do not take another dose of this medicine. You should get urgent medical treatment.**
- Severe sickle cell crisis, which can be life-threatening can happen in people with sickle cell disorders treated with tbo-filgrastim.
- Changes in your kidney function
- A rapid increase in your white blood cells

- A syndrome where fluid and protein can leak from your blood vessels into your tissues. This can cause a decrease in your blood protein level and blood pressure and fluid can accumulate in your tissues and/or lungs, and can be life-threatening.
- Inflammation of the aorta - symptoms may include fever, feeling tired, pain in your chest, abdomen and/or back.
- This medicine may raise your risk of another cancer, such as leukemia.

**Note:** Some of the side effects above are very rare and may depend on the dose of tbo-filgrastim you are taking. If you have concerns and/or questions, please discuss them with your care team.

## How to Take Your Medicine

- Talk to your care team for proper preparation, dosing, and administration if you are self-injecting this medicine.
- Do not shake the medicine. You can take it out of the refrigerator 30 minutes before use to allow it to come to room temperature.
- Do not substitute the vial for the pre-filled syringes.
- Do not reuse the needles, or any unused medicine left in the syringe after your dose is injected.
- **Missed dose:** If you miss a dose, contact your care team right away.
- **Overdosage:** If you think you have taken too much of this medicine contact a poison control center or emergency room at once.
- **Handling:** Wash your hands with soap and water, before and after handling your medicine. Your caregivers should not handle your medicine with bare hands and should wear latex gloves.
- If you or your caregivers get any of the content of a syringe or vial on your skin or in your eyes, you should wash the area of the skin well with soap and water right away. Wash your eyes with flowing water and call your care team. Call your care team if you get a skin reaction.
- **Storage:** Store this medicine in the refrigerator between 36°F to 46°F (2°C to 8°C). Store this medicine in the original carton to protect it from light. Do not freeze. This medicine may be stored for a single 5-day period at room temperature. If not used within that 5-day period, you may return to the refrigerator until the expiration date. Do not use this medicine if it has been out of the refrigerator for more than 5 days. Keep out of the reach of children and pets.
- **Disposal:** Discuss with your care team how to dispose of unused medicine/needles.

## Treating Side Effects

- Keeping your pain under control is important to your well-being. Please tell your care team if you are experiencing pain.
- Drink enough fluids to keep your urine pale yellow.

## Food and Medicine Interactions

- There are no known interactions of tbo-filgrastim with food.
- This medicine may interact with other medicines. Tell your care team about all the prescription and over-the-counter medicines and dietary supplements (vitamins, minerals, herbs, and others) that



you are taking at this time. 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
- Feeling dizzy or lightheaded
- Tiredness that interferes with your daily activities
- Dry cough and/or coughing up of blood
- Easy bleeding or bruising
- Wheezing and/or trouble breathing
- Pain in your chest
- Left-sided pain in your abdomen, shoulder, back and/or bones that does not go away or is not relieved by prescribed medicine
- Decreased urine, very dark urine, foamy or bubbly-looking urine, or blood in your urine
- Swelling of the hands, feet, or any other part of the body
- Signs of allergic reaction: swelling of the face, feeling like your tongue or throat are swelling, trouble breathing, rash, itching, fever, chills, feeling dizzy, and/or feeling that your heart is beating in a fast or not normal way. **If this happens, call 911 for emergency care.**

## Reproduction Warnings

- **Pregnancy warning:** Talk with your care team if you are pregnant or planning to become pregnant while taking this medicine. Tell your care team right away if you think you might be pregnant or think your partner might be pregnant.
- **Breastfeeding warning:** Do not breastfeed while taking this medicine and for 2 weeks after the last dose.
- **Fertility warning:** The effect of this medicine on fertility is not known. If you plan to have children, talk with your care team.

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