

Medical Oncology

Drug Information Sheet

Pegfilgrastim (Fulphila; Neulasta; Neulasta Onpro; Nyvepria; Udenyca; Ziextenzo): A treatment your doctor has ordered for you to stimulate white blood cell growth in your bone marrow.

How will you get this drug? A Cancer Center nurse will give this drug to you by injection under the skin (subcutaneous).

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| Pre-treatment directions: |
| Your doctor may tell you to take an over the counter medicine to help prevent muscle and bone pain. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Claritin (Loratadine) – take once daily for five to seven days starting day of chemotherapy treatment. |

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| Dose and Schedule: |
| Must be given <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24 hours after chemotherapy • 14 days before next chemotherapy |

You **MAY OR MAY NOT** experience the side effects listed below

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| Possible Side Effects: | What to do: |
| Bone, muscle, joint pain | Use pain prescription as directed. Notify your doctor if the pain is uncontrolled. |

Less common side effects that may happen

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| Less common side effects | What to do: |
| Swelling of the main blood vessel that comes out of the heart, aorta (Aortitis) - rare | Call your doctor right away if you have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Back pain • Pain in your belly • Severe headaches that don't go away • Chest pain • Fever • Feeling very tired or weak |
| Spleen problems - rare | Call your doctor right away if you have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ left upper abdominal pain ○ shoulder pain. |

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| Less common side effects | What to do: |
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| Fluid leaks from bloodstream into tissues - Capillary Leak Syndrome | Call your doctor if you have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Irritability ○ Stuffy nose ○ Cough ○ Fatigue ○ Nausea ○ Pain in your belly ○ Headache ○ Swelling of arms and legs |
| Allergic reaction | After you return home: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Call 911 and go to the Emergency Department right away if you have any symptoms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ trouble breathing ○ chest tightness ○ swelling of your face, lips, or tongue ● Call you doctor if you develop: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ a rash ○ itching ○ hives ○ fever ○ chills ○ pain in the abdomen or back ○ cough ○ runny or stuffy nose |
| Swelling of your kidneys | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Electrolytes and kidney function will be checked. ● Dose may be held or adjusted if kidney function is decreased. ● To help maintain good kidney function stay well hydrated with water and non-caffeine liquids ● Notify your doctor if you have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ pain between the abdomen and thighs (pelvis) ○ pain in the kidneys or belly ○ painful or burning when urinating ○ been urinating more often ○ cloudy urine ○ blood or pus in the urine ○ swelling in ankles, face or legs ○ temperature greater than 100.4 degrees F |

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| Less common side effects | What to do: |
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| Breathing problems - rare | Call your doctor right away if you have: <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ severe shortness of breath or trouble breathing○ labored and unusually rapid breathing○ new or dry cough or a cough that gets worse○ confusion○ extreme tiredness○ wheezing○ chest pain |
| These are not all of the side effects that may occur. If you have questions about side effects, call your doctor. | |