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## **Natalizumab (Tysabri)**

## **What is this drug used for?**

**It is used to treat MS (Multiple Sclerosis) and treat Crohn's disease.**

## **What do I need to tell my doctor before I take this drug?**

**If you have an allergy to natalizumab or any other component.**

**If you have had a brain infection or taking any of these drugs: 6 – mercaptopurine, adalimumab, azathioprine, certozumab, cyclosporine, etanercept, golimumab, infliximab, or methotrexate.**

## **What are the things that I need to know or do while I take this drug?**

- **Tell all your health care providers that you take this drug.**
- **Have blood work checked, as you have been told by the doctor.**
- **Talk with your doctor before getting any vaccine. You may have more chance of getting an infection, wash hands often and stay away from infected people.**
- **Tell your doctor if you are pregnant or breast-feeding or planning for that.**

## **What are side effect that I need to call my doctor about right away?**

**Signs of an allergic reaction like: rash, itching, reddens, swollen, blistered, or peeling skin**

**with or without fever, wheezing, tightness in chest or throat, trouble breathing, talking, unusual hoarseness, or swelling of the mouth, face, lips, tongue, or throat, Low mood (depression).**

**Signs of infection like:**

<b>fever</b>	<b>chills</b>	<b>very bad sore throat</b>
<b>ear or sinus pain</b>	<b>cough</b>	<b>more sputum or change in the color</b>
<b>pain with passing urine mouth sores</b>	<b>wounder that will not heal</b>	<b>signs of a urinary tract infection</b>
	<b>signs of liver problems</b>	

**What are some other side effects of  
this drug?**



**Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects.**

**How is this drug best taken?**

**Use this drug as ordered by your doctor and follow all instructions closely.**

## **What do I do if I miss a dose?**

**Call your doctor to find out what to do.**

## **How do I store and/or throw out this drug?**

**If you need to store this drug at home, talk with your doctor, nurse, or pharmacist about how to store it.**

### **General drug fact:**

- ❖ Keep all drugs in a safe place.**
- ❖ Keep all drugs out of the reach of children and pets.**
- ❖ Check with your pharmacist about how to throw out unused drugs.**
- ❖ Do not share your drugs with others and do not take anyone else's drugs.**
- ❖ Keep a list of all your drugs (prescription, natural products, vitamins, OTC) with you.**

❖ Give this list to your doctor.

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