STARTING KYMRIAH

A Guide for Patients and Caregivers

Please see full Prescribing Information for KYMRIAH, including Boxed WARNING, and Medication Guide.
What is the most important information I should know about KYMRIAH?

KYMRIAH may cause side effects that are severe or life-threatening. Call your health care provider or get emergency help right away if you get any of the following:

- difficulty breathing
- fever (100.4°F/38°C or higher)
- chills/shaking chills
- confusion
- severe nausea, vomiting, diarrhea
- severe muscle or joint pain
- very low blood pressure
- dizziness/lightheadedness

It is important that you tell your health care providers that you have received KYMRIAH. Your health care providers may give you other medicines to treat your side effects.

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What is B-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia?

**B cells** are defenders of your body. Along with other cells, they make up your body’s adaptive immune system. When B cells become cancerous, they can grow out of control and cause a type of blood cancer called B-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL).

What is KYMRIAH?

KYMRIAH™ (tisagenlecleucel) is a prescription cancer treatment used in patients up to 25 years old who have acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL) that is either relapsing (went into remission, then came back) or refractory (did not go into remission after receiving other leukemia treatments). KYMRIAH is made from your own white blood cells (T cells).

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How will I get KYMRIAH?

Since KYMRIAH™ (tisagenlecleucel) is made from your own white blood cells, your treatment team has to take some of your blood. This is called “leukapheresis.” It takes 3 to 6 hours and may need to be repeated. A tube (intravenous catheter) will be placed in your vein to collect your blood.

Your blood cells are frozen and sent to the manufacturing site to make KYMRIAH. It takes about 3 to 4 weeks to make KYMRIAH, but the time may vary.

Before you get KYMRIAH, your treatment team may give you chemotherapy for a few days to prepare your body.

When your body is ready, your treatment team will give you KYMRIAH through a tube (intravenous catheter) in your vein. This usually takes less than one hour.

You should plan to stay within 2 hours of the location where you received your treatment for at least 4 weeks after getting KYMRIAH. Your treatment team will check to see if your treatment is working and help you with any side effects that occur.

What should I avoid after receiving KYMRIAH?

- Do not drive, operate heavy machinery, or do other dangerous things for 8 weeks after you get KYMRIAH because the treatment can cause temporary memory and coordination problems, including sleepiness, confusion, weakness, dizziness, and seizures
- Do not donate blood, organs, tissues, and cells for transplantation

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What are the possible or reasonably likely side effects of KYMRIAH?

The most common side effects of KYMRIAH™ (tisagenlecleucel) are:

- difficulty breathing
- fever (100.4°F/38°C or higher)
- chills/shaking chills
- confusion
- severe nausea, vomiting, diarrhea
- severe muscle or joint pain
- very low blood pressure
- dizziness/lightheadedness

KYMRIAH can increase the risk of life-threatening infections that may lead to death. Tell your treatment team right away if you develop fever, chills, or any signs or symptoms of an infection.

KYMRIAH can lower one or more types of your blood cells (red blood cells, white blood cells, or platelets). After treatment, your treatment team will test your blood to check for this. Tell your treatment team right away if you get a fever, are feeling tired, or have bruising or bleeding.

Having KYMRIAH in your blood may cause a false-positive HIV test result by some commercial tests.

These are not all the possible side effects of KYMRIAH. Call your treatment team for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

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General information about the safe and effective use of KYMRIAH

Medicines are sometimes prescribed for purposes other than those listed in a Medication Guide.

Do not use KYMRIAH™ (tisagenlecleucel) for a condition for which it was not prescribed.

Talk to your treatment team about any concerns. You can ask your treatment team for information about KYMRIAH that is written for health care professionals.

For more information, go to KYMRIAH.com or call 1-844-NVS-CART (1-844-687-2278).

What patient support is available to me?

From information on financial assistance to patient support programs, KYMRIAH CARES™ has resources to help you throughout your treatment journey. Whether you have questions about KYMRIAH, treatment center locations, or insurance coverage, KYMRIAH CARES™ is here to help. Please call 1-844-4KYMRIAH (1-844-459-6742) to learn more.

The Novartis Oncology Day-to-Day Patient Support Resource provides information on a range of independent, third-party organizations that can provide support to help complement your treatment plan and care. Services may include transportation, lodging, healthy meals, home cleaning, and more.

Go to www.PatientSupportMadeSimple.com to learn more.

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Treatment team contact information

It is important to know who is on your KYMRIAH™ (tisagenlecleucel) treatment team and how to get in touch with them. Use this space to keep track of important names, phone numbers, e-mail addresses, and any other contact information.

My notes

Use this space to write down any notes or questions you may have for your treatment team.

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SHARE YOUR KYMRIAH STORY

Sometimes, hearing other families’ experiences with relapsed or refractory B-cell ALL and KYMRIAH™ (tisagenlecleucel) can make all the difference to a new patient. If you would like to share your family’s story, please call 1-844-606-3339 or e-mail Inspire@hastrategies.com.

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