#### Package leaflet: Information for the patient

#### Humira 40 mg solution for injection in pre-filled syringe adalimumab

#### Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start using this medicine because it contains important information for you.

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- If you have any further questions, please ask your doctor or pharmacist.
- This medicine has been prescribed for you only. Do not pass it on to others. It may harm them, even if their signs of illness are the same as yours.
- If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor or pharmacist. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet (see section "Possible side effects")

#### What is in this leaflet

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#### What Humira is and what it is used for

#### Humira contains the active substance adalimumab.

- Humira is intended for the treatment of the inflammatory diseases described below:
- Rheumatoid arthritis,
- Polyarticular juvenile idiopathic arthritis,
- · Enthesitis-related arthritis.
- · Ankylosing spondylitis,
- Axial spondyloarthritis without radiographic evidence of ankylosing spondylitis,
- · Psoriatic arthritis,
- · Psoriasis,
- · Hidradenitis suppurativa,
- Crohn's disease.
- · Ulcerative colitis and Non-infectious uveitis

The active ingredient in Humira, adalimumab, is a human monoclonal antibody. Monoclonal antibodies are proteins that attach to a specific target.

The target of adalimumab is a protein called tumour necrosis factor (TNFa), which is involved in the immune (defence) system and is present at increased levels in the inflammatory diseases listed above. By attaching to TNFa, Humira decreases the process of inflammation in these diseases.

#### Rheumatoid arthritis

Rheumatoid arthritis is an inflammatory disease of the joints.

Humira is used to treat rheumatoid arthritis in adults. If you have moderate to severe active rheumatoid arthritis, you may first be given other disease-modifying medicines, such as methotrexate. If you do not respond well enough to these medicines, you will be given Humira to treat your rheumatoid arthritis.

Humira can also be used to treat severe, active and progressive rheumatoid arthritis without previous methotrexate treatment.

Humira has been shown to slow down the damage to the cartilage and bone of the joints caused by the disease and to improve physical function.

Usually, Humira is used with methotrexate. If your doctor determines that methotrexate is inappropriate. Humira can be given alone.

Polyarticular juvenile idiopathic arthritis and enthesitis-related arthritis

Polyarticular juvenile idiopathic arthritis and enthesitis-related arthritis are inflammatory diseases

Humira is used to treat polyarticular juvenile idiopathic arthritis in children and adolescents aged 2 to 17 years and enthesitis-related arthritis in children and adolescents aged 6 to 17 years. You may first be given other disease-modifying medicines, such as methotrexate. If you do not respond well enough to these medicines, you will be given Humira to treat your polyarticular juvenile idiopathic arthritis or enthesitis-related arthritis

Refer to your physician/doctor for more information.

Ankylosing spondylitis and axial spondyloarthritis without radiographic evidence of ankylosing spondylitis

Ankylosing spondylitis and axial spondyloarthritis without radiographic evidence of ankylosing spondylitis, are inflammatory diseases of the spine.

Humira is used to treat ankylosing spondylitis and axial spondyloarthritis without radiographic evidence of ankylosing spondylitis in adults. If you have ankylosing spondylitis or axial spondyloarthritis without radiographic evidence of ankylosing spondylitis, you will first be given other medicines. If you do not respond well enough to these medicines, you will be given Humira to reduce the signs and symptoms of your disease.

## Psoriatic arthritis

Psoriatic arthritis is an inflammation of the joints associated with psoriasis.

Humira is used to treat psoriatic arthritis in adults. Humira has been shown to slow down the damage to the cartilage and bone of the joints caused by the disease and to improve physical function

## Plaque psoriasis in adults and children

Plaque psoriasis is a skin condition that causes red, flaky, crusty patches of skin covered with silvery scales. Plaque psoriasis can also affect the nails, causing them to crumble, become thickened and lift away from the nail bed which can be painful. Psoriasis is believed to be caused by a problem with the body's immune system that leads to an increased production of skin cells

Humira is used to treat moderate to severe plaque psoriasis in adults. Humira is also used to treat severe plaque psoriasis in children and adolescents aged 4 to 17 years for whom topical therapy and phototherapies have either not worked very well or are not suitable.

Refer to your physician/doctor for more information.

#### Children and adolescents

· Vaccinations: if possible children should be up to date with all vaccinations before using Humira.

· Do not give Humira to children with polyarticular juvenile idiopathic arthritis below the age of 2 years.

#### Other medicines and Humira

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking, have recently taken or might take any other medicines.

Humira can be taken together with methotrexate or certain disease-modifying anti-rheumatic agents (sulfasalazine, hydroxychloroquine, leflunomide and injectable gold preparations), steroids or pain medications including non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs).

You should not take Humira with medicines containing the active substances anakinra or abatacept due to increased risk of serious infection. If you have questions, please ask your doctor.

#### Pregnancy and breast-feeding

· You should consider the use of adequate contraception to prevent pregnancy and continue its use for at least 5 months after the last Humira treatment.

- · If you are pregnant, think you may be pregnant or are planning to have a baby, ask your doctor for advice about taking this medicine.
- Humira should only be used during a pregnancy if needed.
- · According to a pregnancy study, there was no higher risk of birth defects when the mother had received Humira during pregnancy compared with mothers with the same disease who did not receive Humira.
- · Humira can be used during breast-feeding
- If you receive Humira during your pregnancy, your baby may have a higher risk for getting an infection.
- · It is important that you tell your baby's doctors and other health care professionals about your Humira use during your pregnancy before the baby receives any vaccine (for more information on vaccines see the "Warnings and precautions" section)

#### Driving and using machines

Humira may have a minor influence on your ability to drive, cycle or use machines. Room spinning sensation and vision disturbances may occur after taking Humira.

# Humira contains sodium

This medicinal product contains less than 1 mmol of sodium (23 mg) per 0.8 ml dose, i.e. essentially 'sodium-free'.

## How to use Humira

Always use this medicine exactly as your doctor or pharmacist has told you. Check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure. Your doctor may prescribe another strength of Humira if you need a different dose.

Adults with rheumatoid arthritis, psoriatic arthritis, ankylosing spondylitis or axial spondyloarthritis without radiographic evidence of ankylosing spondylitis

Humira is injected under the skin (subcutaneous use). The usual dose for adults with rheumatoid arthritis, ankylosing spondylitis, axial spondyloarthritis without radiographic evidence of ankylosing spondylitis and for patients with psoriatic arthritis is 40 mg adalimumab given every other week as a single dose.

In rheumatoid arthritis, methotrexate is continued while using Humira. If your doctor determines that methotrexate is inappropriate, Humira can be given alone.

If you have rheumatoid arthritis and you do not receive methotrexate with your Humira therapy, your doctor may decide to give 40 mg adalimumab every week

Children, adolescents and adults with polyarticular juvenile idiopathic arthritis Children and adolescents from 2 years of age weighing 10 kg to less than 30 kg

The recommended dose of Humira is 20 mg every other week

Your child's doctor will tell you the correct dose and form to use.

Doses less than 40 mg cannot be supplied with a pre-filled syringe. Children, adolescents and adults from 2 years of age weighing 30 kg or more The recommended dose of Humira is 40 mg every other week.

Children, adolescents and adults with enthesitis-related arthritis

Children and adolescents from 6 years of age weighing 15 kg to less than 30 kg The recommended dose of Humira is 20 mg every other week. Your child's doctor will tell you the correct dose and form to use. Doses less than 40 mg cannot be supplied with a pre-filled syringe. Children, adolescents and adults from 6 years of age weighing 30 kg or more

The recommended dose of Humira is 40 mg every other week

# Adults with psoriasis

The usual dose for adults with psoriasis is an initial dose of 80 mg (as two 40 mg injections in one day), followed by 40 mg given every other week starting one week after the initial dose. You should continue to inject Humira for as long as your doctor has told you. Depending on your response, your doctor may increase the dosage to 40 mg every week

# Children and adolescents with plaque psoriasis

Children and adolescents from 4 to 17 years of age weighing 15 kg to less than 30 kg

The recommended dose of Humira is an initial dose of 20 mg, followed by 20 mg one week later. Thereafter, the usual dose is 20 mg every other week

Your child's doctor will tell you the correct dose and form to use.

Doses less than 40 mg cannot be supplied with a pre-filled syringe.

Children and adolescents from 4 to 17 years of age weighing 30 kg or more

The recommended dose of Humira is an initial dose of 40 mg, followed by 40 mg one week later. Thereafter, the usual dose is 40 mg every other week

- · shortness of breath; gastrointestinal bleeding;
  dyspepsia (indigestion, bloating, heart burn); acid reflux disease; • sicca syndrome (including dry eyes and dry mouth); itching; · itchy rash; bruising;
  inflammation of the skin (such as eczema); · breaking of finger nails and toe nails; · increased sweating; hair loss; • new onset or worsening of psoriasis; muscle spasms blood in urine; · kidney problems; chest pain: oedema; · fever; reduction in blood platelets which increases risk of bleeding or bruising: impaired healing Uncommon (may affect up to 1 in 100 people) • opportunistic infections (which include tuberculosis and other infections that occur when resistance to disease is lowered); neurological infections (including viral meningitis); eve infections: · bacterial infections; · diverticulitis (inflammation and infection of the large intestine); cancer · cancer that affects the lymph system; · melanoma; • immune disorders that could affect the lungs, skin and lymph nodes (most commonly presenting as sarcoidosis); · vasculitis (inflammation of blood vessels); · tremor; · neuropathy; · stroke; hearing loss, buzzing;
  sensation of heart beating irregularly such as skipped beats; · heart problems that can cause shortness of breath or ankle swelling; heart attack: • a sac in the wall of a major artery, inflammation and clot of a vein; blockage of a blood vessel; · lung diseases causing shortness of breath (including inflammation); pulmonary embolism (blockage in an artery of the lung);
  pleural effusion (abnormal collection of fluid in the pleural space);
- inflammation of the pancreas which causes severe pain in the abdomen and back; difficulty in swallowing:
- · facial oedema;

high blood pressure;

flushing;

· cough;

asthma;

· haematoma;

- gallbladder inflammation, gallbladder stones;
- fatty liver; night sweats;
- scar;
- abnormal muscle breakdown:

· leukaemia (cancer affecting the blood and bone marrow);

Rare (may affect up to 1 in 1,000 people)

· pulmonary fibrosis (scarring of the lung);

 facial oedema associated with allergic reactions; · ervthema multiforme (inflammatory skin rash);

· lichenoid skin reaction (itchy reddish-purple skin rash).

Not known (frequency cannot be estimated from available data)

• hepatosplenic T-cell lymphoma (a rare blood cancer that is often fatal);

· angioedema (localized swelling of the skin);

Merkel cell carcinoma (a type of skin cancer);

discovered through blood tests. These include:

· low blood measurements for white blood cells;

low blood measurements for red blood cells;

Common (may affect up to 1 in 10 people)

· low blood measurements for platelets;

Very common (may affect more than 1 in 10 people)

Severe allergic reaction with shock;

 systemic lupus erythematosus (including inflammation of skin, heart, lung, joints and other organ systems);

• nerve disorders (such as eye nerve inflammation and Guillain-Barré syndrome that may

autoimmune hepatitis (inflammation of the liver caused by the body's own immune system);
cutaneous vasculitis (inflammation of blood vessels in the skin);

Stevens-Johnson syndrome (early symptoms include malaise, fever, headache and rash);

• worsening of a condition called dermatomyositis (seen as a skin rash accompanying

Some side effects observed with Humira may not have symptoms and may only be

cause muscle weakness, abnormal sensations, tingling in the arms and upper body);

 sleep interruptions; impotence;

multiple sclerosis:

heart stops pumping:

intestinal perforation;

· lupus-like syndrome;

• reactivation of hepatitis B;

hepatitis:

· liver failure;

muscle weakness)

· inflammations.

#### Hidradenitis suppurativa in adults and adolescents

Hidradenitis suppurativa (sometimes called acne inversa) is a chronic and often painful inflammatory skin disease. Symptoms may include tender nodules (lumps) and abscesses (boils) that may leak pus. It most commonly affects specific areas of the skin, such as under the breasts, the armpits, inner thighs, groin and buttocks. Scarring may also occur in affected areas

Humira is used to treat hidradenitis suppurativa in adults and adolescents from 12 years of age. Humira can reduce the number of nodules and abscesses you have and the pain that is often associated with the disease. You may first be given other medicines. If you do not respond well enough to these medicines, you will be given Humira.

# Crohn's disease in adults and children

Crohn's disease is an inflammatory disease of the digestive tract.

Humira is used to treat Crohn's disease in adults and children aged 6 to 17 years. If you have Crohn's disease you will first be given other medicines. If you do not respond well enough to these medicines, you will be given Humira to reduce the signs and symptoms of your Crohn's disease

Refer to your physician/doctor for more information.

## Ulcerative colitis

Ulcerative colitis is an inflammatory disease of the bowel.

Humira is used to treat ulcerative colitis in adults. If you have ulcerative colitis you will first be given other medicines. If you do not respond well enough to these medicines, you will be given Humira to reduce the signs and symptoms of your disease.

# Non-infectious uveitis in adults and children

Non-infectious uveitis is an inflammatory disease affecting certain parts of the eye.

- Humira is used to treat
- Adults with non-infectious uveitis with inflammation affecting the back of the eye · Children from 2 years of age with chronic non-infectious uveitis with inflammation affecting the front of the eye

This inflammation may lead to a decrease of vision and/or the presence of floaters in the eye (black dots or wispy lines that move across the field of vision). Humira works by reducing this inflammation.

Refer to your physician/doctor for more information.

#### What you need to know before you use humira

#### Do not use Humira

• If you are allergic to adalimumab or any of the other ingredients of this medicine (listed in section "Contents of the pack and other information").

- If you have a severe infection, including active tuberculosis (see Warnings and precautions"). It is important that you tell your doctor if you have symptoms of infections, e.g. fever, wounds, feeling tired, dental problems.
- If you have moderate or severe heart failure. It is important to tell your doctor if you have had or have a serious heart condition (see "Warnings and precautions").

#### Warnings and precautions

#### Talk to your doctor or pharmacist before using Humira

 If you experience allergic reactions with symptoms such as chest tightness, wheezing. dizziness, swelling or rash do not inject more Humira and contact your doctor immediately since, in rare cases, these reactions can be life threatening.

· If you have an infection, including long-term or localized infection (for example, leg ulcer) consult your doctor before starting Humira. If you are unsure, contact your doctor

· You might get infections more easily while you are receiving Humira treatment. This risk may increase if your lung function is impaired. These infections may be serious and include tuberculosis, infections caused by viruses, fungi, parasites or bacteria, or other opportunistic infections and sepsis that may, in rare cases, be life-threatening. It is important to tell your doctor if you get symptoms such as fever, wounds, feeling tired or dental problems. Your doctor may recommend temporary discontinuation of Humira

 As cases of tuberculosis have been reported in patients treated with Humira, your doctor will check you for signs and symptoms of tuberculosis before starting Humira. This will include a thorough medical evaluation including your medical history and appropriate screening tests (for example chest X-ray and a tuberculin test). It is very important that you tell your doctor if you have ever had tuberculosis, or if you have been in close contact with someone who has had tuberculosis. Tuberculosis can develop during therapy even if you have received preventative treatment for tuberculosis. If symptoms of tuberculosis (persistent cough, weight loss, listlessness, mild fever), or any other infection appear during or after therapy tell your doctor immediately.

· Advise your doctor if you reside or travel in regions where fungal infections such as histoplasmosis, coccidioidomycosis or blastomycosis are endemic

 Advise your doctor if you have a history of recurrent infections or other conditions that increase the risk of infections

• Advise your doctor if you are a carrier of the hepatitis B virus (HBV), if you have active HBV or if you think you might be at risk of contracting HBV. Your doctor should test you for HBV. Humira can cause reactivation of HBV in people who carry this virus. In some rare cases, especially if you are taking other medicines that suppress the immune system, reactivation of HBV can be life-threatening.

• If you are over 65 years you may be more susceptible to infections while taking Humira. You and your doctor should pay special attention to signs of infection while you are being treated with Humira. It is important to tell your doctor if you get symptoms of infections, such as fever, wounds, feeling tired or dental problems

· If you are about to undergo surgery or dental procedures please inform your doctor that you are taking Humira. Your doctor may recommend temporary discontinuation of Humira.

· If you have or develop demyelinating disease such as multiple sclerosis, your doctor will decide if you should receive or continue to receive Humira. Tell your doctor immediately if you experience symptoms like changes in your vision, weakness in your arms or legs or numbness or tingling in any part of your body.

· Certain vaccines may cause infections and should not be given while receiving Humira. Please check with your doctor before you receive any vaccines. It is recommended that children, if possible, be brought up to date with all immunisations in agreement with current immunisation guidelines prior to initiating Humira therapy. If you received Humira while you were pregnant, your baby may be at higher risk for getting such an infection for up to approximately five months after the last dose you received during pregnancy. It is important that you tell your baby's doctors and other health care professionals about your Humira use during your pregnancy so they can decide when your baby should receive any vaccine.

Your child's doctor will tell you the correct dose and form to use.

# Adults with hidradenitis suppurativa

The usual dose regimen for hidradenitis suppurativa is an initial dose of 160 mg (as four 40 mg injections in one day or two 40 mg injections per day for two consecutive days), followed by an 80 mg dose (as two 40 mg injections in one day) two weeks later. After two further weeks, continue with a dose of 40 mg every week. It is recommended that you use an antiseptic wash daily on the affected areas.

# Adolescents with hidradenitis suppurativa from 12 to 17 years of age weighing 30 kg or more

The recommended dose of Humira is an initial dose of 80 mg (as two 40 mg injections in one day), followed by 40 mg every other week starting one week later. If you have an inadequate response to Humira 40 mg every other week, your doctor may increase the dosage to 40 mg every week

It is recommended that you use an antiseptic wash daily on the affected areas.

## Adults with Crohn's disease

The usual dose regimen for Crohn's disease is 80 mg (as two 40 mg injections in one day) initially followed by 40 mg every other week two weeks later. If a faster response is required your doctor may prescribe an initial dose of 160 mg (as four 40 mg injections in one day or two 40 mg injections per day for two consecutive days), followed by 80 mg (as two 40 mg injections in one day) two weeks later and thereafter as 40 mg every other week. Depending on your response, your doctor may increase the dosage to 40 mg every week.

#### Children and adolescents with Crohn's disease

Children and adolescents from 6 to 17 years of age weighing less than 40 kg

The usual dose regimen is 40 mg initially followed by 20 mg two weeks later. If a faster response is required, your doctor may prescribe an initial dose of 80 mg (as two 40 mg injections in one day) followed by 40 mg two weeks later.

Thereafter, the usual dose is 20 mg every other week. Depending on your response, your doctor may increase the dose frequency to 20 mg every week.

Your child's doctor will tell you the correct dose and form to use.

Doses less than 40 mg cannot be supplied with a pre-filled syringe.

Children and adolescents from 6 to 17 years of age weighing 40 kg or more

The usual dose regimen is 80 mg (as two 40 mg injections in one day) initially followed by 40 mg two weeks later. If a faster response is required, your doctor may prescribe an initial dose of 160 mg (as four 40 mg injections in one day or as two 40 mg injections per day for two consecutive days) followed by 80 mg (as two 40 mg injections in one day) two weeks later.

Thereafter, the usual dose is 40 mg every other week. Depending on your response, your doctor may increase the dosage to 40 mg every week

## Adults with ulcerative colitis

The usual Humira dose for adults with ulcerative colitis is 160 mg (as four 40 mg injections in one day or two 40 mg injections per day for two consecutive days) at Week 0 and 80 mg (as two 40 mg injections in one day) at Week 2 and thereafter 40 mg every other week. Depending on your response, your doctor may increase the dosage to 40 mg every week

# Adults with non-infectious uveitis

The usual dose for adults with non-infectious uveitis is an initial dose of 80 mg (as two injections in one day), followed by 40 mg given every other week starting one week after the initial dose. You should continue to inject Humira for as long as your doctor has told you.

In non-infectious uveitis, corticosteroids or other medicines that influence the immune system may be continued while using Humira. Humira can also be given alone

Children and adolescents with chronic non-infectious uveitis from 2 years of age

Children and adolescents from 2 years of age weighing less than 30 kg

The usual dose of Humira is 20 mg every other week with methotrexate.

Your doctor may also prescribe an initial dose of 40 mg which may be administered one week prior to the start of the usual dose.

Your child's doctor will tell you the correct dose and form to use.

Doses less than 40 mg cannot be supplied with a pre-filled syringe. Children and adolescents from 2 years of age weighing 30 kg or more

The usual dose of Humira is 40 mg every other week with methotrexate.

Your doctor may also prescribe an initial dose of 80 mg which may be administered one week prior to the start of the usual dose.

#### Method and route of administration

Humira is administered by injection under the skin (by subcutaneous injection).

#### Possible side effects

Like all medicines, this medicine can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them. Most side effects are mild to moderate. However, some may be serious and require treatment. Side effects may occur at least up to 4 months after the last Humira injection.

Tell your doctor immediately if you notice any of the following:

· severe rash, hives or other signs of allergic reaction;

 swollen face, hands, feet; · trouble breathing, swallowing;

shortness of breath with exertion or upon lying down or swelling of the feet.

Tell your doctor as soon as possible if you notice any of the following: • signs of infection such as fever, feeling sick, wounds, dental problems, burning on urination; feeling weak or tired;

- coughing; tingling;
- numbness;
- double vision; arm or leg weakness;
- · a bump or open sore that doesn't heal;
- · signs and symptoms suggestive of blood disorders such as persistent fever, bruising, bleeding, paleness.

 increased uric acid in the blood: · abnormal blood measurements for sodium;

high blood measurements for white blood cells;

- · low blood measurements for calcium;
- low blood measurements for phosphate:

· increased lipids in the blood;

· elevated liver enzyme

- high blood sugar;
- high blood measurements for lactate dehydrogenase; autoantibodies present in the blood;
- · low blood potassium.

# Uncommon (may affect up to 1 in 100 people)

· elevated bilirubin measurement (liver blood test).

Rare (may affect up to 1 in 1,000 people)

· low blood measurements for white blood cells, red blood cells and platelet count.

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#### Reporting of side effects

If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor or pharmacist. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. You can also report side effects directly via the local reporting system. By reporting side effects, you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

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Keep this medicine out of the sight and reach of children.

Store in a refrigerator (2°C – 8°C). Do not freeze

Contents of the pack and other information

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What Humira contains

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· If you have mild heart failure and you are being treated with Humira, your heart failure status must be closely monitored by your doctor. It is important to tell your doctor if you have had or have a serious heart condition. If you develop new or worsening symptoms of heart failure (e.g. shortness of breath, or swelling of your feet), you must contact your doctor immediately. Your doctor will decide if you should receive Humira.

· In some patients the body may fail to produce enough of the blood cells that help your body fight infections or help you to stop bleeding. If you develop a fever that does not go away, bruise or bleed very easily or look very pale, call your doctor right away. Your doctor may decide to stop treatment.

· There have been very rare cases of certain kinds of cancer in children and adult patients taking Humira or other TNF blockers. People with more serious rheumatoid arthritis that have had the disease for a long time may have a higher than average risk of getting lymphoma (a cancer that affects the lymph system) and leukemia (a cancer that affects the blood and bone marrow). If you take Humira the risk of getting lymphoma, leukemia, or other cancers may increase. On rare occasions, a specific and severe type of lymphoma has been observed in patients taking Humira. Some of those patients were also treated with azathioprine or 6- mercaptopurine. Tell your doctor if you are taking azathioprine or 6-mercaptopurine with Humira. In addition cases of non-melanoma skin cancer have been observed in patients taking Humira. If new skin lesions appear during or after therapy or if existing lesions change appearance, tell your doctor.

 There have been cases of cancers, other than lymphoma in patients with a specific type of lung disease called Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) treated with another TNF blocker. If you have COPD, or are a heavy smoker, you should discuss with your doctor whether treatment with a TNF blocker is appropriate for you

 On rare occasions, treatment with Humira could result in lupus-like syndrome. Contact your doctor if symptoms such as persistent unexplained rash, fever, joint pain or tiredness occur

The symptoms described above can be signs of the below listed side effects, which have been observed with Humira.

Very common (may affect more than 1 in 10 people)

injection site reactions (including pain, swelling, redness or itching);
respiratory tract infections (including cold, runny nose, sinus infection, pneumonia); headache abdominal pain nausea and vomiting; · rash; • musculoskeletal pain.

Common (may affect up to 1 in 10 people)

· serious infections (including blood poisoning and influenza); intestinal infections (including gastroenteritis) skin infections (including cellulitis and shingles) ear infections; • oral infections (including tooth infections and cold sores); reproductive tract infections: · urinary tract infection; fungal infections; ioint infections: benign tumours; skin cancer; · allergic reactions (including seasonal allergy); · dehydration; · mood swings (including depression); · anxiety; difficulty sleeping; · sensation disorders such as tingling, prickling or numbness; migraine; • nerve root compression (including low back pain and leg pain); vision disturbances; eye inflammation; · inflammation of the eye lid and eye swelling; vertigo;

sensation of heart beating rapidly;

mg adalimumab dissolved in 0.8 ml solution

polysorbate 80, sodium hydroxide and water for injections

The Humira pre-filled syringe is a glass syringe containing a solution of adalimumab. Each pack contains 1, 2, 4 or 6 pre-filled syringes for patient use with 1, 2, 4 or 6 alcohol pads, respectively.

Humira 40 mg solution for injection in pre-filled syringe is supplied as a sterile solution of 40

Do not use this medicine after the expiry date stated on the label/blister/carton after EXP.

Do not throw away any medicines via wastewater or household waste. Ask your doctor or

pharmacist how to throw away medicines you no longer use. These measures will help

The other ingredients are mannitol, citric acid monohydrate, sodium citrate, sodium

dihydrogen phosphate dihydrate, disodium phosphate dihydrate, sodium chloride,

What the Humira pre-filled syringe looks like and contents of the pack

Keep the pre-filled syringe in the outer carton in order to protect from light.

Not all pack sizes may be marketed.

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#### This is a Medicament

· Medicament is a product which affects your health and its consumption contrary to instructions is dangerous for you.

• Follow strictly the doctor's prescription, the method of use and the instructions of the pharmacist who sold the medicament.

- The doctor and the pharmacist are the experts in medicines, their benefits and risks.
- · Do not by yourself interrupt the period of treatment prescribed for you.
- Do not repeat the same prescription without consulting your doctor.
  Keep all medicaments out of reach of children.