Be a part of the treatment decision by asking questions

QUESTIONS TO ASK MY DOCTOR

CYRAMZA® (ramucirumab) is used alone or in combination with paclitaxel (a type of chemotherapy) to treat specific kinds of advanced cancer of the stomach or where the stomach and esophagus meet. CYRAMZA is for patients whose cancer has progressed after being treated with certain types of chemotherapy. CYRAMZA is given through an intravenous infusion (IV).

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It is important that you ask your treatment team every question that comes to mind. No matter how minor they may seem to you, they want to answer all of your questions. Below is a list of questions to consider asking your treatment team, followed by an area where you can write in other questions you want to ask.

About CYRAMZA® (ramucirumab)

• How is CYRAMZA different from my past treatments? ____________________________________________________

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• What should I do to prepare for treatment? ____________________________________________________________

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• What side effects might occur with treatment? __________________________________________________________

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• How can I tell the difference between side effects of the treatment and symptoms of the cancer? __________

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• Are there ways to help manage side effects? ___________________________________________________________

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QUESTIONS TO ASK MY DOCTOR (continued)

- What can CYRAMZA® [ramucirumab] alone or in combination with paclitaxel offer as a treatment? 

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About eating right and keeping up your strength

- How can I keep myself as healthy as possible during the treatment? 

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- What kind of foods should I eat and what should I avoid? 

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- Will I need any extra food supplements? 

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- Are there activities I can do to keep up my strength? 

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QUESTIONS TO ASK MY DOCTOR  (continued)

About support services

• What support services are available to me and my family and friends? ______________________________________
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• Are there financial resources that may help with the cost of treatment? ___________________________________
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• What if I can’t find a ride to an appointment? ____________________________________________________________
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• Are there other people affected by cancer I can talk to? __________________________________________________
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My other questions to ask
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What is the most important information I should know about CYRAMZA® (ramucirumab)?

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- Infusion reactions related to injecting CYRAMZA have occurred. Most of these reactions happened during or after the first or second CYRAMZA infusion. Signs and symptoms of infusion reactions include shaking or stiffness of the body, back pain or spasms, chest pain or tightness, chills, flushing, difficulty breathing, wheezing, becoming blue due to lack of oxygen, and tingling or numbness of the skin. In severe cases, rapid heartbeat, low blood pressure, and severe trouble breathing may occur. Your healthcare team will monitor you for these side effects. In the case of a severe infusion reaction, your CYRAMZA treatment will have to be immediately and permanently stopped.

- CYRAMZA may worsen certain types of liver disease. Tell your doctor if you have or have had liver disease or other liver problems.

- RPLS (reversible posterior leukoencephalopathy syndrome), a very rare but serious brain disorder, has been reported in clinical trials with CYRAMZA. Signs and symptoms of RPLS may include headache, seizures, visual changes, and changes in mental function. These symptoms usually stop or improve within days, but some patients can experience continuing changes in mental function or death.

- Too much protein in the urine (proteinuria) has been reported in clinical trials with CYRAMZA. This may be a sign of kidney damage. Your doctor will monitor your urine protein levels during treatment. If you develop protein in your urine, your doctor may interrupt your treatment and decrease your dose of CYRAMZA. In severe cases your treatment will have to be permanently stopped.

- Thyroid gland problems have been reported in clinical trials with CYRAMZA. Your doctor will do blood tests to monitor your thyroid gland function during treatment.

- CYRAMZA can harm your unborn baby. You should avoid getting pregnant, and use adequate contraception while receiving CYRAMZA and for at least 3 months after stopping CYRAMZA.

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What are the most common side effects of CYRAMZA® (ramucirumab)?

• The most common side effects reported in patients treated with CYRAMZA when given alone were high blood pressure, diarrhea, headache, and low sodium. The most common serious adverse events were anemia (a decrease in red blood cells) and blockage of the intestine. Red blood cell transfusions were given to 11% of CYRAMZA-treated patients and 8.7% of patients who received placebo.

• The most common side effects reported in patients treated with CYRAMZA when given in combination with paclitaxel were tiredness; low white blood cell count; diarrhea; nosebleeds; high blood pressure; swelling in the arms, legs, hands, or feet; mouth sores; too much protein in the urine; low platelet count; low albumin (a protein in the blood); and bleeding in the gastrointestinal tract. The most common serious adverse events were low white blood cell count and low white blood cell count with fever; 19% of patients treated with CYRAMZA plus paclitaxel were given treatment to increase white blood cell count called granulocyte colony-stimulating factors.

You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit www.fda.gov/safety/medwatch or call 1-800-FDA-1088.

What should I tell my doctor before receiving treatment with CYRAMZA?

Before you receive CYRAMZA, tell your doctor if you:

• Have had or are at high risk for strokes or heart attack.

• Have high blood pressure or have blood pressure problems.

• Are planning to have surgery of any kind.

• Have or have had liver problems, including liver cirrhosis or other diseases of the liver.

• Are pregnant or may be pregnant: CYRAMZA can harm your unborn baby. You should avoid getting pregnant, and use adequate contraception while receiving CYRAMZA and for at least 3 months after stopping CYRAMZA.

• Are breastfeeding: your doctor will tell you to stop breastfeeding during treatment.

Tell your doctor about all the medications you are taking, including prescription and over-the-counter medications.

How is CYRAMZA given?

• CYRAMZA is slowly infused (injected) into your vein. The infusion will last about 60 minutes. You will usually receive CYRAMZA once every 2 weeks.

• Your doctor will also give additional medication(s) prior to your CYRAMZA infusion to address potential side effects.

CYRAMZA is available by prescription only.

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