

ULTOMIRIS[®] INFUSION THERAPY

A Complete Patient Guide to your
treatment at FlexCare



Ultomiris is an infusible medication used to treat paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH), atypical hemolytic-uremic syndrome (aHUS), and generalized myasthenia gravis (gMG). Learn more about what to expect before and during treatment, including Ultomiris costs, possible side effects, and the infusion process.

What is Ultomiris[®], and how does it work?

Ultomiris (ravulizumab-cwvz) is an infusible biologic medication that is administered via IV (intravenously) directly into the bloodstream. Like other biologic medications, Ultomiris is made up of components of living cells, which can include proteins, antibodies, and nucleic acids containing DNA and RNA. The complexity of these types of medications means they can't be taken orally.

Biologic medications are specially engineered to target certain proteins or areas of the immune system. Ultomiris was developed to bind to and remove the C5 proteins from the bloodstream. For most, C5 proteins are an important part of the complement system—part of the immune system's defense process to remove harmful pathogens.

Certain conditions cause C5 proteins to target and harm healthy red blood cells. If you have been diagnosed with paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH) or hemolytic-uremic syndrome (aHUS), C5 proteins can cause damage to vital organs, including the kidneys. Ultomiris is FDA approved to treat both PNH and aHUS. In 2022, it was also approved to treat generalized myasthenia gravis (gMG).

Cost of Ultomiris[®] Infusion Therapy

The cost of Ultomiris therapy will depend largely on dosing, pharmacy, infusion location, and your insurance provider. Your infusion center or provider will work with your insurance to determine your total out-of-pocket cost for each Ultomiris infusion prior to your first appointment.

There are also drug and copay assistance programs that may be able to help patients cover costs not covered by insurance. The Alexion OneSource[™] CoPay Program and FlexCare's Co-pay Assistance Program may help eligible patients lower the cost of Ultomiris infusions.

Visit
alexiononesource.com/copay to
learn more.

How to Prepare for an Ultomiris® Infusion

There is an increased risk of meningococcal disease for patients receiving a complement inhibitor. Before you receive your first Ultomiris infusion, your referring provider will confirm that you are up-to-date on your meningococcal vaccines at least 2 weeks before starting therapy. If you must start Ultomiris sooner, you will be prescribed an antibiotic to take alongside therapy to prevent infection.

Your provider will also ask you about all current medicines, including both prescriptions and over-the-counter medicines. Some medications can interact with treatment, so it's important to provide a complete, up-to-date list.

Leading up to your infusion, it's important to take extra care of your health. Biologic medications target the immune system, meaning your risk of infection may increase during Ultomiris treatment. Practicing good hygiene, drinking plenty of water, and getting a good night's rest can help lower your risk of infection.



Want more tips on how to prepare? Scan the QR code or visit flexcareinfusion.com/patients/education

What are the Side Effects of Ultomiris ?

Like most infusible biologics, there are some Ultomiris side effects that can occur. Early drug trials show that most side effects are mild to moderate, with the most common side effects being upper respiratory infections and headaches. Other side effects can include:

- Diarrhea
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- High blood pressure
- Fever

It's important to tell your provider of any side effects that persist. If you experience high fever, chills, body aches, neck and back stiffness, rash, confusion, and other flu-like symptoms, call your provider right away or seek immediate medical attention, as these may be signs of a meningococcal infection.

Some patients may experience infusion-related reactions, which are usually mild and resolve quickly. These can include:

- Fatigue
- Drowsiness
- Lower back pain
- Faintness
- Arm and leg discomfort

Signs of a serious infusion reaction include shortness of breath, trouble breathing, swelling in your throat or tongue, and chest pain. You should notify your provider or nurse right away if you experience these symptoms during your infusion.

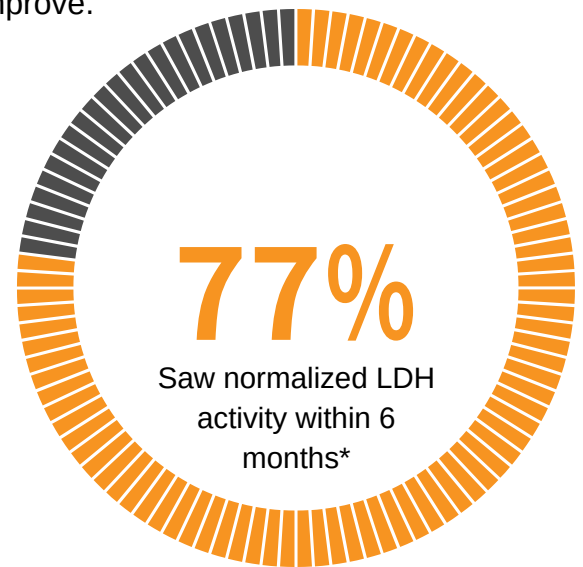
Ultomiris[®] Treatment Timeline

Ultomiris is infused about 7-8 times a year, every 8 weeks (every 4 or 8 weeks for children depending on body weight). The first dose (loading dose) is usually smaller to assess the patient's tolerance of the medication. A maintenance dose is given 2 weeks later, and then every 8 weeks thereafter. The exact dosage of your Ultomiris infusions will be determined by your healthcare team based on your body weight.

The treatment schedule for patients with aHUs, PNH, and gMG is the same, with each maintenance infusion lasting around an hour. The length of your infusions will depend on your tolerance to the drug and your referring provider's recommendations.

Many Ultomiris patients with aHUS notice improvements very early into treatment and experience sustained results, including controlled C5 levels, normal LDH activity, increased platelet count, and complete TMA counts. Many aHUS patients also have improved kidney function, reducing the need for dialysis. Similarly, many patients with PNH experience normalized LDH levels, stable hemoglobin levels, elimination of blood clots, and decreased fatigue.

Patients with myasthenia gravis often experience improved physical functions and less muscle weakness. This includes the ability to talk, chew, swallow, breathe, stand up from a seated position, and brush the hair and teeth. Double vision and eyelid drooping may also improve.



*Results from clinical study of adult patients.
Visit ultomiris.com for more information.

Ultomiris[®] Patient Resources

Below is a list of additional resources for Ultomiris patients and their friends, family, and support system.

- **Ultomiris (Myasthenia Gravis)**
ultomirisgmg.com
myasthenia.org
- **Ultomiris (PNH)**
ultomiris.com/pnh
aamds.org
- **Ultomiris (aHUS)**
ultomiris.com/ahus