

HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

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RECENT MAJOR CHANGES

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INDICATIONS AND USAGE

KEYTRUDA is a programmed death receptor-1 (PD-1)-blocking antibody indicated for the treatment of:

- patients with unresectable or metastatic melanoma and disease progression following ipilimumab and, if BRAF V600 mutation positive, a BRAF inhibitor. (1.1)
- patients with metastatic NSCLC whose tumors express PD-L1 as determined by an FDA-approved test and who have disease progression on or after platinum-containing chemotherapy. Patients with EGFR or ALK genomic tumor aberrations should have disease progression on FDA-approved therapy for these aberrations prior to receiving KEYTRUDA. (1.2)

These indications are approved under accelerated approval based on tumor response rate and durability of response. An improvement in survival or disease-related symptoms has not yet been established. Continued approval for these indications may be contingent upon verification and description of clinical benefit in the confirmatory trials. (1.1, 1.2)

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

- Administer 2 mg/kg as an intravenous infusion over 30 minutes every 3 weeks. (2.2)
- Dilute prior to intravenous infusion. (2.4)

DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS

- For injection: 50 mg lyophilized powder in single-use vial for reconstitution (3)
- Injection: 100 mg/4 mL (25 mg/mL) solution in a single-use vial (3)

CONTRAINDICATIONS

None. (4)

WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

- Immune-mediated Pneumonitis: Withhold for moderate, and permanently discontinue for severe, life-threatening or recurrent moderate pneumonitis. (5.1)
- Immune-mediated Colitis: Withhold for moderate or severe, and permanently discontinue for life-threatening colitis. (5.2)
- Immune-mediated Hepatitis: Monitor for changes in hepatic function. Based on severity of liver enzyme elevations, withhold or discontinue. (5.3)
- Immune-mediated Endocrinopathies (5.4):
 - Hypophysitis: Withhold for moderate and withhold or permanently discontinue for severe or life-threatening hypophysitis.
 - Thyroid disorders: Monitor for changes in thyroid function. Withhold or permanently discontinue for severe or life-threatening hyperthyroidism.
 - Type 1 diabetes mellitus: Monitor for hyperglycemia. Withhold KEYTRUDA in cases of severe hyperglycemia.
- Immune-mediated nephritis: Monitor for changes in renal function. Withhold for moderate, and permanently discontinue for severe or life-threatening nephritis. (5.5)
- Infusion-related reactions: Stop infusion and permanently discontinue KEYTRUDA for severe or life-threatening infusion reactions. (5.7)
- Embryofetal toxicity: KEYTRUDA can cause fetal harm. Advise females of reproductive potential of the potential risk to a fetus. (5.8)

ADVERSE REACTIONS

Most common adverse reactions (reported in ≥20% of patients) with:

- melanoma included fatigue, cough, nausea, pruritus, rash, decreased appetite, constipation, arthralgia, and diarrhea. (6.1)
- NSCLC included fatigue, decreased appetite, dyspnea and cough. (6.1)

To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp., a subsidiary of Merck & Co., Inc., at 1-877-888-4231 or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or www.fda.gov/medwatch.

USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

Lactation: Discontinue nursing or discontinue KEYTRUDA. (8.2)

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FULL PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

1 INDICATIONS AND USAGE

1.1 Melanoma

KEYTRUDA® (pembrolizumab) is indicated for the treatment of patients with unresectable or metastatic melanoma and disease progression following ipilimumab and, if BRAF V600 mutation positive, a BRAF inhibitor [see *Clinical Studies* (14.1)].

This indication is approved under accelerated approval based on tumor response rate and durability of response. An improvement in survival or disease-related symptoms has not yet been established. Continued approval for this indication may be contingent upon verification and description of clinical benefit in the confirmatory trials.

1.2 Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer

KEYTRUDA is indicated for the treatment of patients with metastatic non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) whose tumors express PD-L1 as determined by an FDA-approved test with disease progression on or after platinum-containing chemotherapy. Patients with EGFR or ALK genomic tumor aberrations should have disease progression on FDA-approved therapy for these aberrations prior to receiving KEYTRUDA [see *Clinical Studies* (14.2)].

This indication is approved under accelerated approval based on tumor response rate and durability of response. An improvement in survival or disease-related symptoms has not yet been established. Continued approval for this indication may be contingent upon verification and description of clinical benefit in the confirmatory trials.

2 DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

2.1 Patient Selection

Select patients for second line or greater treatment of metastatic NSCLC with KEYTRUDA based on the presence of positive PD-L1 expression [see *Clinical Studies* (14.2)]. Information on FDA-approved tests for the detection of PD-L1 expression in NSCLC is available at: <http://www.fda.gov/CompanionDiagnostics>.

2.2 Recommended Dosing

The recommended dose of KEYTRUDA is 2 mg/kg administered as an intravenous infusion over 30 minutes every 3 weeks until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity.

2.3 Dose Modifications

Withhold KEYTRUDA for any of the following:

- Grade 2 pneumonitis [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.1)]
- Grade 2 or 3 colitis [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.2)]
- Grade 3 or 4 endocrinopathies [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.4)]
- Grade 2 nephritis [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.5)]
- Aspartate aminotransferase (AST) or alanine aminotransferase (ALT) greater than 3 and up to 5 times upper limit of normal (ULN) or total bilirubin greater than 1.5 and up to 3 times ULN
- Any other severe or Grade 3 treatment-related adverse reaction [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.6)]

Resume KEYTRUDA in patients whose adverse reactions recover to Grade 0-1.

Permanently discontinue KEYTRUDA for any of the following:

- Any life-threatening adverse reaction (excluding endocrinopathies controlled with hormone replacement therapy)
- Grade 3 or 4 pneumonitis or recurrent pneumonitis of Grade 2 severity [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.1)]

- Grade 3 or 4 nephritis [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.5)*]
- AST or ALT greater than 5 times ULN or total bilirubin greater than 3 times ULN
 - For patients with liver metastasis who begin treatment with Grade 2 AST or ALT, if AST or ALT increases by greater than or equal to 50% relative to baseline and lasts for at least 1 week
- Grade 3 or 4 infusion-related reactions [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.7)*]
- Inability to reduce corticosteroid dose to 10 mg or less of prednisone or equivalent per day within 12 weeks
- Persistent Grade 2 or 3 adverse reactions (excluding endocrinopathies controlled with hormone replacement therapy) that do not recover to Grade 0-1 within 12 weeks after last dose of KEYTRUDA
- Any severe or Grade 3 treatment-related adverse reaction that recurs [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.6)*]

2.4 Preparation and Administration

Reconstitution of KEYTRUDA for Injection (Lyophilized Powder)

- Add 2.3 mL of Sterile Water for Injection, USP by injecting the water along the walls of the vial and not directly on the lyophilized powder (resulting concentration 25 mg/mL).
- Slowly swirl the vial. Allow up to 5 minutes for the bubbles to clear. Do not shake the vial.

Preparation for Intravenous Infusion

- Visually inspect the solution for particulate matter and discoloration prior to administration. The solution is clear to slightly opalescent, colorless to slightly yellow. Discard the vial if visible particles are observed.
- Dilute KEYTRUDA injection (solution) or reconstituted lyophilized powder prior to intravenous administration.
- Withdraw the required volume from the vial(s) of KEYTRUDA and transfer into an intravenous (IV) bag containing 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP or 5% Dextrose Injection, USP. Mix diluted solution by gentle inversion. The final concentration of the diluted solution should be between 1 mg/mL to 10 mg/mL.
- Discard any unused portion left in the vial.

Storage of Reconstituted and Diluted Solutions

The product does not contain a preservative.

Store the reconstituted and diluted solution from the KEYTRUDA 50 mg vial either:

- At room temperature for no more than 6 hours from the time of reconstitution. This includes room temperature storage of reconstituted vials, storage of the infusion solution in the IV bag, and the duration of infusion.
- Under refrigeration at 2°C to 8°C (36°F to 46°F) for no more than 24 hours from the time of reconstitution. If refrigerated, allow the diluted solution to come to room temperature prior to administration.

Store the diluted solution from the KEYTRUDA 100 mg/4 mL vial either:

- At room temperature for no more than 6 hours from the time of dilution. This includes room temperature storage of the infusion solution in the IV bag, and the duration of infusion.
- Under refrigeration at 2°C to 8°C (36°F to 46°F) for no more than 24 hours from the time of dilution. If refrigerated, allow the diluted solution to come to room temperature prior to administration.

Do not freeze.

Administration

- Administer infusion solution intravenously over 30 minutes through an intravenous line containing a sterile, non-pyrogenic, low-protein binding 0.2 micron to 5 micron in-line or add-on filter.
- Do not co-administer other drugs through the same infusion line.

3 DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS

- For injection: 50 mg lyophilized powder in a single-use vial for reconstitution
- Injection: 100 mg/4 mL (25 mg/mL) solution in a single-use vial

4 CONTRAINDICATIONS

None.

5 WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

5.1 Immune-Mediated Pneumonitis

Pneumonitis, including fatal cases, occurred in patients receiving KEYTRUDA. Monitor patients for signs and symptoms of pneumonitis. Evaluate patients with suspected pneumonitis with radiographic imaging and administer corticosteroids (initial dose of 1 to 2 mg/kg/day prednisone or equivalent followed by a taper) for Grade 2 or greater pneumonitis. Withhold KEYTRUDA for moderate (Grade 2) pneumonitis, and permanently discontinue KEYTRUDA for severe (Grade 3) or life-threatening (Grade 4) or recurrent moderate (Grade 2) pneumonitis [see *Dosage and Administration* (2.3) and *Adverse Reactions* (6.1)].

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Pneumonitis occurred in 12 (2.9%) of 411 melanoma patients, including Grade 2 or 3 cases in 8 (1.9%) and 1 (0.2%) patients, respectively, receiving KEYTRUDA in Trial 1. The median time to development of pneumonitis was 5 months (range 0.3 weeks to 9.9 months). The median duration was 4.9 months (range 1 week to 14.4 months). Five of eight patients with Grade 2 and the one patient with Grade 3 pneumonitis required initial treatment with high-dose systemic corticosteroids (greater than or equal to 40 mg prednisone or equivalent per day) followed by a corticosteroid taper. The median initial dose of high-dose corticosteroid treatment was 63.4 mg/day of prednisone or equivalent with a median duration of treatment of 3 days (range 1 to 34) followed by a corticosteroid taper. Pneumonitis led to discontinuation of KEYTRUDA in 3 (0.7%) patients. Pneumonitis completely resolved in seven of the nine patients with Grade 2-3 pneumonitis.

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Pneumonitis occurred in 19 (3.5%) of 550 patients with NSCLC, including Grade 2 (1.1%), 3 (1.3%), 4 (0.4%), or 5 (0.2%) pneumonitis in patients, receiving KEYTRUDA in Trial 1. The median time to development of pneumonitis was 1.7 months (range 0.6 weeks to 12.9 months). In patients receiving KEYTRUDA 10 mg/kg every 2 weeks, the median time to development of pneumonitis was shorter (1.5 months) compared with patients receiving 10 mg/kg every 3 weeks (3.5 months). Sixteen of the 19 patients (84%) received corticosteroids, with 14 of the 19 (74%) requiring high-dose systemic corticosteroids (greater than or equal to 40 mg prednisone or equivalent per day). The median starting dose of high-dose corticosteroid treatment for these fourteen patients was 60 mg/day with a median duration of treatment of 8 days (range 1 day to 4.2 months). The median duration of pneumonitis was 1.2 months (range 0.7 weeks to 12.4 months). Pneumonitis occurred more frequently in patients with a history of asthma/chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (5.4%) than in patients without a history of these diseases (3.1%). Pneumonitis occurred more frequently in patients with a history of prior thoracic radiation (6.0%) than in patients who did not receive prior thoracic radiation (2.6%). Pneumonitis led to discontinuation of KEYTRUDA in 12 (2.2%) patients. Pneumonitis completely resolved in 9 patients. Pneumonitis was reported as ongoing in 9 patients and one patient with ongoing pneumonitis died within 30 days of the last dose of pembrolizumab.

5.2 Immune-Mediated Colitis

Colitis occurred in patients receiving KEYTRUDA. Monitor patients for signs and symptoms of colitis. Administer corticosteroids (initial dose of 1 to 2 mg/kg/day prednisone or equivalent followed by a taper) for Grade 2 or greater colitis. Withhold KEYTRUDA for moderate (Grade 2) or severe (Grade 3) colitis, and permanently discontinue KEYTRUDA for life-threatening (Grade 4) colitis [see *Dosage and Administration* (2.3) and *Adverse Reactions* (6.1)].

Melanoma

Colitis (including microscopic colitis) occurred in 4 (1%) of 411 patients, including Grade 2 or 3 cases in 1 (0.2%) and 2 (0.5%) patients, respectively, receiving KEYTRUDA in Trial 1. The median time to onset of colitis was 6.5 months (range 2.3 to 9.8). The median duration was 2.6 months (range 0.6 weeks to 3.6 months). All three patients with Grade 2 or 3 colitis were treated with high-dose corticosteroids (greater than or equal to 40 mg prednisone or equivalent per day) with a median initial dose of 70 mg/day of prednisone or equivalent; the median duration of initial treatment was 7 days (range 4 to 41), followed by a corticosteroid taper. One patient (0.2%) required permanent discontinuation of KEYTRUDA due to colitis. All four patients with colitis experienced complete resolution of the event.

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Colitis occurred in 4 (0.7%) of 550 patients, including Grade 2 (0.2%) or 3 (0.4%) colitis in patients receiving KEYTRUDA in Trial 1. The median time to onset of colitis was 1.6 months (range 4 weeks to 2.2 months) and the median duration was 16 days (range 1.0 weeks to 1.3 months). Two patients were started on high-dose corticosteroids (≥ 40 mg/day of prednisone or equivalent) and two patients were started on low dose corticosteroids. One patient (0.2%) discontinued KEYTRUDA due to colitis. Three patients with colitis experienced complete resolution of the event.

5.3 Immune-Mediated Hepatitis

Hepatitis occurred in patients receiving KEYTRUDA. Monitor patients for changes in liver function. Administer corticosteroids (initial dose of 0.5 to 1 mg/kg/day [for Grade 2 hepatitis] and 1 to 2 mg/kg/day [for Grade 3 or greater hepatitis] prednisone or equivalent followed by a taper) and, based on severity of liver enzyme elevations, withhold or discontinue KEYTRUDA [see *Dosage and Administration* (2.3) and *Adverse Reactions* (6.1)].

Melanoma

Hepatitis (including autoimmune hepatitis) occurred in 2 (0.5%) of 411 patients, including a Grade 4 case in 1 (0.2%) patient, receiving KEYTRUDA in Trial 1. The time to onset was 22 days for the case of Grade 4 hepatitis which lasted 1.1 months. The patient with Grade 4 hepatitis permanently discontinued KEYTRUDA and was treated with high-dose (greater than or equal to 40 mg prednisone or equivalent per day) systemic corticosteroids followed by a corticosteroid taper. Both patients with hepatitis experienced complete resolution of the event.

5.4 Immune-Mediated Endocrinopathies

Hypophysitis

Hypophysitis occurred in patients receiving KEYTRUDA. Monitor for signs and symptoms of hypophysitis (including hypopituitarism and adrenal insufficiency). Administer corticosteroids and hormone replacement as clinically indicated. Withhold KEYTRUDA for moderate (Grade 2) hypophysitis and withhold or discontinue KEYTRUDA for severe (Grade 3) or life-threatening (Grade 4) hypophysitis [see *Dosage and Administration* (2.3) and *Adverse Reactions* (6.1)].

Melanoma

Hypophysitis occurred in 2 (0.5%) of 411 patients, consisting of one Grade 2 and one Grade 4 case (0.2% each), in patients receiving KEYTRUDA in Trial 1. The time to onset was 1.7 months for the patient with Grade 4 hypophysitis and 1.3 months for the patient with Grade 2 hypophysitis. Both patients were treated with high-dose (greater than or equal to 40 mg prednisone or equivalent per day) corticosteroids followed by a corticosteroid taper and remained on a physiologic replacement dose.

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In Trial 1, hypophysitis occurred in 1 (0.2%) of 550 patients, which was Grade 3 in severity. The time to onset was 3.7 months. The patient was treated with systemic corticosteroids and physiologic hormone replacement therapy. The patient did not discontinue KEYTRUDA due to hypophysitis.

Thyroid Disorders

Thyroid disorders can occur at any time during treatment. Monitor patients for changes in thyroid function (at the start of treatment, periodically during treatment, and as indicated based on clinical evaluation) and for clinical signs and symptoms of thyroid disorders.

Administer replacement hormones for hypothyroidism and manage hyperthyroidism with thionamides and beta-blockers as appropriate. Withhold or discontinue KEYTRUDA for severe (Grade 3) or life-threatening (Grade 4) hyperthyroidism [see *Dosage and Administration* (2.3) and *Adverse Reactions* (6.1)].

Melanoma

Hyperthyroidism occurred in 5 (1.2%) of 411 patients, including Grade 2 or 3 cases in 2 (0.5%) and 1 (0.2%) patients, respectively, receiving KEYTRUDA in Trial 1. The median time to onset was 1.5 months (range 0.5 to 2.1). The median duration was 2.8 months (range 0.9 to 6.1). One of two patients with Grade 2 and the one patient with Grade 3 hyperthyroidism required initial treatment with high-dose corticosteroids (greater than or equal to 40 mg prednisone or equivalent per day) followed by a corticosteroid taper. One patient (0.2%) required permanent discontinuation of KEYTRUDA due to hyperthyroidism. All five patients with hyperthyroidism experienced complete resolution of the event.

Hypothyroidism occurred in 34 (8.3%) of 411 patients, including a Grade 3 case in 1 (0.2%) patient, receiving KEYTRUDA in Trial 1. The median time to onset of hypothyroidism was 3.5 months (range 0.7 weeks to 19 months). All but two of the patients with hypothyroidism were treated with long-term thyroid hormone replacement therapy. The other two patients only required short-term thyroid hormone replacement therapy. No patient received corticosteroids or discontinued KEYTRUDA for management of hypothyroidism.

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Hyperthyroidism occurred in 10 (1.8%) of 550 patients receiving KEYTRUDA in Trial 1, including Grade 2 (0.7%) or 3 (0.3%) hyperthyroidism. The median time to onset was 1.8 months (range 2 days to 3.4 months), and the median duration was 4.5 months (range 4 weeks to 7.5 months). No patients discontinued KEYTRUDA due to hyperthyroidism.

Hypothyroidism occurred in 38 (6.9%) of 550 patients receiving KEYTRUDA in Trial 1, including Grade 2 (5.5%) or 3 (0.2%) hypothyroidism. The median time to onset was 4.2 months (range 2.9 weeks to 11.2 months), and the median duration was 5.8 months (range 1.6 weeks to 22.8 months). No patients discontinued KEYTRUDA due to hypothyroidism.

Type 1 Diabetes mellitus

Type 1 diabetes mellitus, including diabetic ketoacidosis, has occurred in patients receiving KEYTRUDA. Monitor patients for hyperglycemia or other signs and symptoms of diabetes. Administer insulin for type 1 diabetes, and withhold KEYTRUDA and administer anti-hyperglycemics in patients with severe hyperglycemia [see *Dosage and Administration* (2.3) and *Adverse Reactions* (6.1)].

5.5 Immune-Mediated Nephritis and Renal Dysfunction

Nephritis occurred in patients receiving KEYTRUDA. Monitor patients for changes in renal function. Administer corticosteroids (initial dose of 1 to 2 mg/kg/day prednisone or equivalent followed by a taper) for Grade 2 or greater nephritis. Withhold KEYTRUDA for moderate (Grade 2), and permanently discontinue KEYTRUDA for severe (Grade 3) or life-threatening (Grade 4) nephritis [see *Dosage and Administration* (2.3) and *Adverse Reactions* (6.1)].

Melanoma

Nephritis occurred in 3 (0.7%) patients, consisting of one case of Grade 2 autoimmune nephritis (0.2%) and two cases of interstitial nephritis with renal failure (0.5%), one Grade 3 and one Grade 4. The time to onset of autoimmune nephritis was 11.6 months after the first dose of KEYTRUDA (5 months after the

last dose) and lasted 3.2 months; this patient did not have a biopsy. Acute interstitial nephritis was confirmed by renal biopsy in two patients with Grades 3-4 renal failure. All three patients fully recovered renal function with treatment with high-dose corticosteroids (greater than or equal to 40 mg prednisone or equivalent per day) followed by a corticosteroid taper.

5.6 Other Immune-Mediated Adverse Reactions

Other clinically important immune-mediated adverse reactions can occur.

For suspected immune-mediated adverse reactions, ensure adequate evaluation to confirm etiology or exclude other causes. Based on the severity of the adverse reaction, withhold KEYTRUDA and administer corticosteroids. Upon improvement to Grade 1 or less, initiate corticosteroid taper and continue to taper over at least 1 month. Resume KEYTRUDA when the immune-mediated adverse reaction remains at Grade 1 or less following steroid taper. Permanently discontinue KEYTRUDA for any severe or Grade 3 immune-mediated adverse reaction that recurs and for any life-threatening immune-mediated adverse reaction [see *Dosage and Administration (2.3)* and *Adverse Reactions (6.1)*].

Across clinical studies with KEYTRUDA, the following clinically significant, immune-mediated adverse reactions have occurred: bullous pemphigoid and Guillain-Barré syndrome.

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The following clinically significant, immune-mediated adverse reactions occurred in less than 1% of patients treated with KEYTRUDA in Trial 1: exfoliative dermatitis, uveitis, arthritis, myositis, pancreatitis, hemolytic anemia, and partial seizures arising in a patient with inflammatory foci in brain parenchyma.

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The following clinically significant, immune-mediated adverse reactions occurred in less than 1% of 550 patients with NSCLC treated with KEYTRUDA in Trial 1: rash, vasculitis, hemolytic anemia, serum sickness and myasthenia gravis.

5.7 Infusion-Related Reactions

Infusion-related reactions, including severe and life-threatening reactions, have occurred in patients receiving KEYTRUDA across the clinical development program employing various doses and schedules and enrolling patients with various solid tumors. Monitor patients for signs and symptoms of infusion-related reactions including rigors, chills, wheezing, pruritus, flushing, rash, hypotension, hypoxemia, and fever. For severe (Grade 3) or life-threatening (Grade 4) infusion-related reactions, stop infusion and permanently discontinue KEYTRUDA [see *Dosage and Administration (2.3)*].

5.8 Embryofetal Toxicity

Based on its mechanism of action, KEYTRUDA can cause fetal harm when administered to a pregnant woman. Animal models link the PD-1/PD-L1 signaling pathway with maintenance of pregnancy through induction of maternal immune tolerance to fetal tissue. If this drug is used during pregnancy, or if the patient becomes pregnant while taking this drug, apprise the patient of the potential hazard to a fetus. Advise females of reproductive potential to use highly effective contraception during treatment with KEYTRUDA and for 4 months after the last dose of KEYTRUDA [see *Use in Specific Populations (8.1, 8.3)*].

6 ADVERSE REACTIONS

The following adverse reactions are discussed in greater detail in other sections of the labeling.

- Immune-mediated pneumonitis [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.1)*].
- Immune-mediated colitis [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.2)*].
- Immune-mediated hepatitis [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.3)*].
- Immune-mediated endocrinopathies [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.4)*].
- Immune-mediated nephritis and renal dysfunction [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.5)*].
- Other immune-mediated adverse reactions [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.6)*].

- Infusion-related reactions [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.7)].

6.1 Clinical Trials Experience

Because clinical trials are conducted under widely varying conditions, adverse reaction rates observed in the clinical trials of a drug cannot be directly compared to rates in the clinical trials of another drug and may not reflect the rates observed in practice.

The data described in the WARNINGS and PRECAUTIONS section and below reflect exposure to KEYTRUDA in an uncontrolled, open-label, multiple cohort trial (Trial 1). In Trial 1, the safety data are available from 411 patients with unresectable or metastatic melanoma and 550 patients with metastatic NSCLC who received KEYTRUDA at either 2 mg/kg every 3 weeks (n=61) or 10 mg/kg every 2 or 3 weeks (n=489).

Metastatic Melanoma

Among the 411 patients with metastatic melanoma enrolled in Trial 1, the median duration of exposure to KEYTRUDA was 6.2 months (range 1 day to 24.6 months) with a median of 10 doses (range 1 to 51). The study population characteristics were: median age of 61 years (range 18 to 94), 39% age 65 years or older, 60% male, 97% white, 73% with M1c disease, 8% with brain metastases, 35% with elevated LDH, 54% with prior exposure to ipilimumab, and 47% with two or more prior systemic therapies for advanced or metastatic disease.

KEYTRUDA was discontinued for adverse reactions in 9% of the 411 patients. Adverse reactions, reported in at least two patients, that led to discontinuation of KEYTRUDA were: pneumonitis, renal failure, and pain. Serious adverse reactions occurred in 36% of patients receiving KEYTRUDA. The most frequent serious adverse drug reactions reported in 2% or more of patients in Trial 1 were renal failure, dyspnea, pneumonia, and cellulitis.

Table 1 presents adverse reactions identified from analyses of 89 patients with unresectable or metastatic melanoma who received KEYTRUDA 2 mg/kg every three weeks in one cohort of Trial 1. Patients had documented disease progression following treatment with ipilimumab and, if BRAF V600 mutation positive, a BRAF inhibitor. This cohort of Trial 1 excluded patients with severe immune-related toxicity related to ipilimumab, defined as any Grade 4 toxicity requiring treatment with corticosteroids or Grade 3 toxicity requiring corticosteroid treatment (greater than 10 mg/day prednisone or equivalent dose) for greater than 12 weeks; a medical condition that required systemic corticosteroids or other immunosuppressive medication; a history of pneumonitis or interstitial lung disease; or any active infection requiring therapy, including HIV or hepatitis B or C. Of the 89 patients in this cohort, the median age was 59 years (range 18 to 88), 33% were age 65 years or older, 53% were male, 98% were white, 44% had an elevated LDH, 84% had Stage M1c disease, 8% had brain metastases, and 70% received two or more prior therapies for advanced or metastatic disease. The median duration of exposure to KEYTRUDA was 6.2 months (range 1 day to 15.3 months) with a median of nine doses (range 1 to 23). Fifty-one percent of patients were exposed to KEYTRUDA for greater than 6 months and 21% for greater than 1 year.

KEYTRUDA was discontinued for adverse reactions in 6% of the 89 patients. The most common adverse reactions (reported in at least 20% of patients) were fatigue, cough, nausea, pruritus, rash, decreased appetite, constipation, arthralgia, and diarrhea.

Table 1: Adverse Reactions in ≥10% of Patients with Unresectable or Metastatic Melanoma

Adverse Reaction	KEYTRUDA 2 mg/kg every 3 weeks N=89	
	All Grades (%)	Grade 3* (%)
General Disorders and Administration Site Conditions		
Fatigue	47	7
Peripheral Edema	17	1
Chills	14	0
Pyrexia	11	0
Gastrointestinal Disorders		
Nausea	30	0
Constipation	21	0
Diarrhea	20	0
Vomiting	16	0
Abdominal pain	12	0
Respiratory, Thoracic and Mediastinal Disorders		
Cough	30	1
Dyspnea	18	2
Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue Disorders		
Pruritus	30	0
Rash	29	0
Vitiligo	11	0
Metabolism and Nutrition Disorders		
Decreased appetite	26	0
Musculoskeletal and Connective Tissue Disorders		
Arthralgia	20	0
Pain in extremity	18	1
Myalgia	14	1
Back pain	12	1
Nervous System Disorders		
Headache	16	0
Dizziness	11	0
Blood and Lymphatic System Disorders		
Anemia	14	5
Psychiatric Disorders		
Insomnia	14	0
Infections and Infestations		
Upper respiratory tract infection	11	1

* There were no Grade 5 adverse reactions reported. Of the ≥10% adverse reactions, none was reported as Grade 4.

Other clinically important adverse reactions observed in up to 10% of patients treated with KEYTRUDA were:

Infections and infestations: sepsis

Table 2: Laboratory Abnormalities Worsened from Baseline in ≥20% of Patients with Unresectable or Metastatic Melanoma

Laboratory Test	KEYTRUDA 2 mg/kg every 3 weeks N=89	
	All Grades %	Grades 3-4 %
Chemistry		
Hyperglycemia	40	2*
Hyponatremia	35	9
Hypoalbuminemia	34	0
Hypertriglyceridemia	25	0
Increased Aspartate Aminotransferase	24	2*
Hypocalcemia	24	1
Hematology		
Anemia	55	8*

* Grade 4 abnormalities in this table limited to hyperglycemia, increased aspartate aminotransferase, and anemia (one patient each)

NSCLC

Among the 550 patients with metastatic NSCLC enrolled in Trial 1, the median duration of therapy was 2.8 months (range: 1 day to 25.6 months). Patients with NSCLC and autoimmune disease, a medical condition that required immunosuppression, or who had received more than 30 Gy of thoracic radiation within the prior 26 weeks were ineligible for Trial 1. The median age of patients was 64 years (range: 28 to 93), 47% were age 65 years or older, 53% were male, 83% were white, and 67% received two or more prior systemic treatments. Disease characteristics were Stage III (4%), Stage IV (96%), and brain metastases (11%). Baseline ECOG performance status was 0 (35%) or 1 (65%).

KEYTRUDA was discontinued due to adverse reactions in 14% of patients. Serious adverse reactions occurred in 38% of patients receiving KEYTRUDA. The most frequent serious adverse reactions reported in at least 2% of patients were pleural effusion, pneumonia, dyspnea, pulmonary embolism, and pneumonitis. The incidence of adverse reactions, including serious adverse reactions, was similar between the two 10 mg/kg dosing schedules; therefore, these data were pooled. The majority of patients treated with KEYTRUDA 2 mg/kg every three weeks had shorter follow-up compared with patients treated with the 10 mg/kg schedules; therefore, comparisons of adverse reactions between doses were not appropriate.

Table 3 summarizes adverse reactions that occurred in at least 10% of patients. The most common adverse reactions (reported in at least 20% of patients) were fatigue, decreased appetite, dyspnea, and cough.

Table 3: Adverse Reactions in ≥10% of Patients with NSCLC

Adverse Reaction	KEYTRUDA 2 mg/kg every 3 weeks or 10 mg/kg every 2 or 3 weeks N=550	
	All Grades (%)	Grade 3* (%)
General Disorders and Administration Site Conditions		
Fatigue [†]	44	4
Pyrexia	12	1
Peripheral Edema	10	0
Metabolism and Nutrition Disorders		
Decreased appetite	25	1
Respiratory, Thoracic and Mediastinal Disorders		
Dyspnea	23	4
Cough [‡]	29	<1
Gastrointestinal Disorders		
Nausea	18	1
Diarrhea	15	1
Constipation	15	<1
Vomiting	12	1
Musculoskeletal and Connective Tissue Disorders		
Arthralgia	15	1
Back pain	10	2
Blood and Lymphatic System Disorders		
Anemia	12	2
Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue Disorders		
Pruritus	12	0
Rash [§]	18	<1

* Of the ≥10% adverse reactions, none was reported as Grade 4 or 5.

† Includes the terms fatigue and asthenia

‡ Includes the terms cough, productive cough and hemoptysis

§ Includes the terms dermatitis, dermatitis acneiform, erythema multiforme, drug eruption, rash, rash generalized, rash pruritic, rash macular/maculopapular, papular

Table 4: Laboratory Abnormalities Worsened from Baseline in ≥20% of Patients with NSCLC

Laboratory Test	KEYTRUDA N=550	
	All Grades %	Grades 3-4 %
Chemistry		
Hyperglycemia	48	3*
Hyponatremia	38	6
Hypoalbuminemia	32	1
Increased alkaline phosphatase	26	1
Hypertriglyceridemia	23	0
Increased aspartate aminotransferase	20	1
Hypercholesterolemia	20	1*
Hematology		
Anemia	36	2*

* Grade 4 abnormalities in this table limited to hyperglycemia (n=4), hypercholesterolemia (n=3), and anemia (n=1).

6.2 Immunogenicity

As with all therapeutic proteins, there is the potential for immunogenicity. Because trough levels of pembrolizumab interfere with the electrochemiluminescent (ECL) assay results, a subset analysis was performed in the patients with a concentration of pembrolizumab below the drug tolerance level of the anti-product antibody assay. In this analysis, none of the 225 patients who were treated with 2 mg/kg every 3 weeks tested positive for treatment-emergent anti-pembrolizumab antibodies.

The detection of antibody formation is highly dependent on the sensitivity and specificity of the assay. Additionally, the observed incidence of antibody (including neutralizing antibody) positivity in an assay may be influenced by several factors including assay methodology, sample handling, timing of sample collection, concomitant medications, and underlying disease. For these reasons, comparison of incidence of antibodies to KEYTRUDA with the incidences of antibodies to other products may be misleading.

7 DRUG INTERACTIONS

No formal pharmacokinetic drug interaction studies have been conducted with KEYTRUDA.

8 USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

8.1 Pregnancy

Risk Summary

Based on its mechanism of action, KEYTRUDA can cause fetal harm when administered to a pregnant woman. In animal models, the PD-1/PD-L1 signaling pathway is important in the maintenance of pregnancy through induction of maternal immune tolerance to fetal tissue [see Data]. Human IgG4 (immunoglobulins) are known to cross the placenta; therefore, pembrolizumab has the potential to be transmitted from the mother to the developing fetus. There are no available human data informing the risk of embryo-fetal toxicity. Apprise pregnant women of the potential risk to a fetus.

In the U.S. general population, the estimated background risk of major birth defects and miscarriage in clinically recognized pregnancies is 2-4% and 15-20%, respectively.

Data

Animal Data

Animal reproduction studies have not been conducted with KEYTRUDA to evaluate its effect on reproduction and fetal development, but an assessment of the effects on reproduction was provided. A central function of the PD-1/PD-L1 pathway is to preserve pregnancy by maintaining maternal immune tolerance to the fetus. Blockade of PD-L1 signaling has been shown in murine models of pregnancy to disrupt tolerance to the fetus and to result in an increase in fetal loss; therefore, potential risks of administering KEYTRUDA during pregnancy include increased rates of abortion or stillbirth. As reported in the literature, there were no malformations related to the blockade of PD-1 signaling in the offspring of these animals; however, immune-mediated disorders occurred in PD-1 knockout mice. Based on its mechanism of action, fetal exposure to pembrolizumab may increase the risk of developing immune-mediated disorders or of altering the normal immune response.

8.2 Lactation

Risk Summary

It is not known whether KEYTRUDA is excreted in human milk. No studies have been conducted to assess the impact of KEYTRUDA on milk production or its presence in breast milk. Because many drugs are excreted in human milk, instruct women to discontinue nursing during treatment with KEYTRUDA and for 4 months after the final dose.

8.3 Females and Males of Reproductive Potential

Contraception

Based on its mechanism of action, KEYTRUDA can cause fetal harm when administered to a pregnant woman [see Warnings and Precautions (5.8) and Use in Specific Populations (8.1)]. Advise females of

reproductive potential to use effective contraception during treatment with KEYTRUDA and for at least 4 months following the final dose.

8.4 Pediatric Use

Safety and effectiveness of KEYTRUDA have not been established in pediatric patients.

8.5 Geriatric Use

Of the 411 patients with melanoma treated with KEYTRUDA, 39% were 65 years and over. No overall differences in safety or efficacy were reported between elderly patients and younger patients.

Of the 550 patients with NSCLC treated with KEYTRUDA, 47% were 65 years and over. No overall differences in safety or efficacy were reported between elderly patients and younger patients.

8.6 Renal Impairment

Based on a population pharmacokinetic analysis, no dose adjustment is needed for patients with renal impairment [see *Clinical Pharmacology* (12.3)].

8.7 Hepatic Impairment

Based on a population pharmacokinetic analysis, no dose adjustment is needed for patients with mild hepatic impairment [total bilirubin (TB) less than or equal to ULN and AST greater than ULN or TB greater than 1 to 1.5 times ULN and any AST]. KEYTRUDA has not been studied in patients with moderate (TB greater than 1.5 to 3 times ULN and any AST) or severe (TB greater than 3 times ULN and any AST) hepatic impairment [see *Clinical Pharmacology* (12.3)].

10 OVERDOSAGE

There is no information on overdosage with KEYTRUDA.

11 DESCRIPTION

Pembrolizumab is a humanized monoclonal antibody that blocks the interaction between PD-1 and its ligands, PD-L1 and PD-L2. Pembrolizumab is an IgG4 kappa immunoglobulin with an approximate molecular weight of 149 kDa.

KEYTRUDA for injection is a sterile, preservative-free, white to off-white lyophilized powder in single-use vials. Each vial is reconstituted and diluted for intravenous infusion. Each 2 mL of reconstituted solution contains 50 mg of pembrolizumab and is formulated in L-histidine (3.1 mg), polysorbate 80 (0.4 mg), and sucrose (140 mg). May contain hydrochloric acid/sodium hydroxide to adjust pH to 5.5.

KEYTRUDA injection is a sterile, preservative-free, clear to slightly opalescent, colorless to slightly yellow solution that requires dilution for intravenous infusion. Each vial contains 100 mg of pembrolizumab in 4 mL of solution. Each 1 mL of solution contains 25 mg of pembrolizumab and is formulated in: L-histidine (1.55 mg), polysorbate 80 (0.2 mg), sucrose (70 mg), and Water for Injection, USP.

12 CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

12.1 Mechanism of Action

Binding of the PD-1 ligands, PD-L1 and PD-L2, to the PD-1 receptor found on T cells, inhibits T cell proliferation and cytokine production. Upregulation of PD-1 ligands occurs in some tumors and signaling through this pathway can contribute to inhibition of active T-cell immune surveillance of tumors.

Pembrolizumab is a monoclonal antibody that binds to the PD-1 receptor and blocks its interaction with PD-L1 and PD-L2, releasing PD-1 pathway-mediated inhibition of the immune response, including the anti-tumor immune response. In syngeneic mouse tumor models, blocking PD-1 activity resulted in decreased tumor growth.

12.3 Pharmacokinetics

The pharmacokinetics of pembrolizumab was studied in 1645 patients who received doses of 1 to 10 mg/kg every 2 weeks or 2 to 10 mg/kg every 3 weeks. Based on population pharmacokinetic analyses in patients with solid tumors, the geometric mean [% coefficient of variation (CV%)] for clearance, steady-state volume of distribution, and terminal half-life were 209 mL/day (38%), 7.75 L (20%) and 28 days (41%), respectively.

Steady-state concentrations of pembrolizumab were reached by 18 weeks of repeated dosing with an every 3-week regimen and the systemic accumulation was approximately 2-fold. The peak concentration (C_{max}), trough concentration (C_{min}), and area under the plasma concentration versus time curve at steady state (AUC_{ss}) of pembrolizumab increased dose proportionally in the dose range of 2 to 10 mg/kg every 3 weeks.

Specific Populations: The effects of various covariates on the pharmacokinetics of pembrolizumab were assessed in population pharmacokinetic analyses. The CL of pembrolizumab increased with increasing body weight; the resulting exposure differences were adequately addressed by the administration of a weight-based dose. The following factors had no clinically important effect on the CL of pembrolizumab: age (range 15 to 94 years), gender, renal impairment, mild hepatic impairment, and tumor burden. The effect of race could not be assessed due to limited data available in non-White patients.

Renal Impairment: The effect of renal impairment on the CL of pembrolizumab was evaluated by population pharmacokinetic analyses in patients with various solid tumors and mild (eGFR 60 to 89 mL/min/1.73 m²; n=705), moderate (eGFR 30 to 59 mL/min/1.73 m²; n=159), or severe (eGFR 15 to 29 mL/min/1.73 m²; n=4) renal impairment compared to patients with normal (eGFR greater than or equal to 90 mL/min/1.73 m²; n=756) renal function. No clinically important differences in the CL of pembrolizumab were found between patients with renal impairment and patients with normal renal function [see Use in Specific Populations (8.6)].

Hepatic Impairment: The effect of hepatic impairment on the CL of pembrolizumab was evaluated by population pharmacokinetic analyses in patients with various solid tumors and mild hepatic impairment (TB less than or equal to ULN and AST greater than ULN or TB between 1 and 1.5 times ULN and any AST; n=192) compared to patients with normal hepatic function (TB and AST less than or equal to ULN; n=1407). No clinically important differences in the CL of pembrolizumab were found between patients with mild hepatic impairment and normal hepatic function. There is insufficient information to determine whether there are clinically important differences in the CL of pembrolizumab in patients with moderate or severe hepatic impairment [see Use in Specific Populations (8.7)].

13 NONCLINICAL TOXICOLOGY

13.1 Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility

No studies have been performed to test the potential of pembrolizumab for carcinogenicity or genotoxicity.

Fertility studies have not been conducted with pembrolizumab. In 1-month and 6-month repeat-dose toxicology studies in monkeys, there were no notable effects in the male and female reproductive organs; however, most animals in these studies were not sexually mature.

13.2 Animal Toxicology and/or Pharmacology

In animal models, inhibition of PD-1 signaling resulted in an increased severity of some infections and enhanced inflammatory responses. M. tuberculosis-infected PD-1 knockout mice exhibit markedly decreased survival compared with wild-type controls, which correlated with increased bacterial proliferation and inflammatory responses in these animals. PD-1 knockout mice have also shown decreased survival following infection with lymphocytic choriomeningitis virus (LCMV). Administration of pembrolizumab in chimpanzees with naturally occurring chronic hepatitis B infection resulted in two out of

four animals with significantly increased levels of serum ALT, AST, and GGT, which persisted for at least 1 month after discontinuation of pembrolizumab.

14 CLINICAL STUDIES

14.1 Melanoma

The efficacy of KEYTRUDA was investigated in a multicenter, open-label, randomized (1:1), dose-comparative, activity-estimating cohort of Trial 1. Key eligibility criteria were unresectable or metastatic melanoma with progression of disease; refractory to two or more doses of ipilimumab (3 mg/kg or higher) and, if BRAF V600 mutation-positive, a BRAF or MEK inhibitor; and disease progression within 24 weeks following the last dose of ipilimumab. The trial excluded patients with autoimmune disease; a medical condition that required immunosuppression; and a history of severe immune-mediated adverse reactions with ipilimumab, defined as any Grade 4 toxicity requiring treatment with corticosteroids or Grade 3 toxicity requiring corticosteroid treatment (greater than 10 mg/day prednisone or equivalent dose) for greater than 12 weeks. Patients were randomized to receive 2 mg/kg (n=89) or 10 mg/kg (n=84) of KEYTRUDA every 3 weeks until unacceptable toxicity or disease progression that was symptomatic, was rapidly progressive, required urgent intervention, occurred with a decline in performance status, or was confirmed at 4 to 6 weeks with repeat imaging. Assessment of tumor status was performed every 12 weeks. The major efficacy outcome measures were confirmed overall response rate (ORR) according to Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors (RECIST 1.1) as assessed by blinded independent central review and duration of response.

Among the 173 patients enrolled, the median age was 61 years (36% age 65 or older); 60% male; 97% White; and 66% and 34% with an ECOG performance status 0 and 1, respectively. Disease characteristics were BRAF V600 mutation (17%), elevated lactate dehydrogenase (39%), M1c (82%), brain metastases (9%), and two or more prior therapies for advanced or metastatic disease (73%).

The ORR was 24% (95% confidence interval: 15, 34) in the 2 mg/kg arm, consisting of 1 complete response and 20 partial responses. Among the 21 patients with an objective response, 3 (14%) had progression of disease 2.8, 2.9, and 8.2 months after initial response. The remaining 18 patients (86%) had ongoing responses with durations ranging from 1.4+ to 8.5+ months, which included 8 patients with ongoing responses of 6 months or longer. One additional patient developed two new asymptomatic lesions at the first tumor assessment concurrent with a 75% decrease in overall tumor burden; KEYTRUDA was continued and this reduction in tumor burden was durable for 5+ months.

There were objective responses in patients with and without BRAF V600 mutation-positive melanoma. Similar ORR results were observed in the 10 mg/kg arm.

14.2 Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer

The efficacy of KEYTRUDA was investigated in a sub-group of a cohort of 280 patients enrolled in a multicenter, open-label multi-cohort, activity-estimating study (Trial 1). The cohort consisted of patients with metastatic NSCLC that had progressed following platinum-containing chemotherapy, and if appropriate, targeted therapy for ALK or EGFR mutations and any evidence of PD-L1 expression by a clinical trial immunohistochemistry assay. Patients with autoimmune disease; a medical condition that required immunosuppression; or who had received more than 30 Gy of thoracic radiation within the prior 26 weeks were ineligible.

A prospectively defined sub-group was retrospectively analyzed using an analytically validated test for PD-L1 expression tumor proportion score (TPS). This retrospectively identified sub-group of 61 patients accounts for 22% of the 280 patients in the cohort. Patients included in this sub-group had a PD-L1 expression TPS of greater than or equal to 50% tumor cells as determined by the PD-L1 IHC 22C3 pharmDx Kit. Patients received KEYTRUDA 10 mg/kg every 2 (n=27) or 3 (n=34) weeks until unacceptable toxicity or disease progression that was symptomatic, was rapidly progressive, required urgent intervention, occurred with a decline in performance status, or was confirmed at 4 to 6 weeks with repeat imaging. Assessment of tumor status was performed every 9 weeks. The major efficacy outcome

measures were ORR according to RECIST 1.1 as assessed by blinded independent central review (IRC) and duration of response.

Among the 61 patients with a TPS greater than or equal to 50%, the baseline characteristics were: median age 60 years (34% age 65 or older); 61% male; 79% White; and 34% and 64% with an ECOG performance status 0 and 1, respectively. Disease characteristics were squamous (21%) and non-squamous (75%); M1 (98%); brain metastases (11%); one (26%), two (30%), or three or more (44%) prior therapies; and the incidence of genomic aberrations was EGFR (10%) or ALK (0%).

Efficacy results are summarized in Table 5. The ORR and duration of response were similar regardless of schedule (every 2 weeks or every 3 weeks) and thus the data below are pooled.

Table 5: Efficacy Results

Endpoint	N=61
Overall Response Rate	
ORR %, (95% CI)	41% (29, 54)
Complete Response	0%
Partial Response	41%

Among the 25 responding patients, 21 (84%) patients had ongoing responses at the final analysis of ORR; 11 (44%) patients had ongoing responses of 6 months or longer.

In a separate subgroup of 25 patients with limited follow-up with PD-L1 expression TPS greater than or equal to 50% receiving KEYTRUDA at a dose of 2 mg/kg every 3 weeks in Trial 1, activity was also observed.

16 HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING

KEYTRUDA for injection (lyophilized powder): carton containing one 50 mg single-use vial (NDC 0006-3029-02).

Store vials under refrigeration at 2°C to 8°C (36°F to 46°F).

KEYTRUDA injection (solution): carton containing one 100 mg/4 mL (25 mg/mL), single-use vial (NDC 0006-3026-02)

Store vials under refrigeration at 2°C to 8°C (36°F to 46°F) in original carton to protect from light. Do not freeze. Do not shake.

17 PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION

Advise the patient to read the FDA-approved patient labeling (Medication Guide).

- Inform patients of the risk of immune-mediated adverse reactions that may require corticosteroid treatment and interruption or discontinuation of KEYTRUDA, including:
 - Pneumonitis: Advise patients to contact their healthcare provider immediately for new or worsening cough, chest pain, or shortness of breath [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.1)].
 - Colitis: Advise patients to contact their healthcare provider immediately for diarrhea or severe abdominal pain [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.2)].
 - Hepatitis: Advise patients to contact their healthcare provider immediately for jaundice, severe nausea or vomiting, or easy bruising or bleeding [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.3)].
 - Hypophysitis: Advise patients to contact their healthcare provider immediately for persistent or unusual headache, extreme weakness, dizziness or fainting, or vision changes [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.4)].

- Hyperthyroidism and Hypothyroidism: Advise patients to contact their healthcare provider immediately for signs or symptoms of hyperthyroidism and hypothyroidism [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.4)].
 - Type 1 Diabetes Mellitus: Advise patients to contact their healthcare provider immediately for signs or symptoms of type 1 diabetes [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.4)].
 - Nephritis: Advise patients to contact their healthcare provider immediately for signs or symptoms of nephritis [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.5)].
 - Advise patients to contact their healthcare provider immediately for signs or symptoms of infusion-related reactions [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.7)].
 - Advise patients of the importance of keeping scheduled appointments for blood work or other laboratory tests [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.3, 5.4, 5.5)].
 - Advise women that KEYTRUDA can cause fetal harm. Instruct women of reproductive potential to use highly effective contraception during and for 4 months after the last dose of KEYTRUDA [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.8) and *Use in Specific Populations* (8.1, 8.3)].
 - Advise nursing mothers not to breastfeed while taking KEYTRUDA and for 4 months after the final dose [see *Use in Specific Populations* (8.2)].
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MEDICATION GUIDE

**KEYTRUDA® (key-true-duh)
(pembrolizumab)
for injection**

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What is the most important information I should know about KEYTRUDA?

KEYTRUDA is a medicine that may treat your melanoma or lung cancer by working with your immune system. KEYTRUDA can cause your immune system to attack normal organs and tissues in many areas of your body and can affect the way they work. These problems can sometimes become serious or life-threatening and can lead to death.

Call or see your doctor right away if you develop any symptoms of the following problems or these symptoms get worse:

Lung problems (pneumonitis). Symptoms of pneumonitis may include:

- shortness of breath
- chest pain
- new or worse cough

Intestinal problems (colitis) that can lead to tears or holes in your intestine. Signs and symptoms of colitis may include:

- diarrhea or more bowel movements than usual
- stools that are black, tarry, sticky, or have blood or mucus
- severe stomach-area (abdomen) pain or tenderness

Liver problems (hepatitis). Signs and symptoms of hepatitis may include:

- yellowing of your skin or the whites of your eyes
- nausea or vomiting
- pain on the right side of your stomach area (abdomen)
- dark urine
- feeling less hungry than usual
- bleeding or bruising more easily than normal

Hormone gland problems (especially the thyroid, pituitary, adrenal glands, and pancreas). Signs and symptoms that your hormone glands are not working properly may include:

- rapid heart beat
- weight loss or weight gain
- increased sweating
- feeling more hungry or thirsty
- urinating more often than usual
- hair loss
- feeling cold
- constipation
- your voice gets deeper
- muscle aches
- dizziness or fainting
- headaches that will not go away or unusual headache

Kidney problems, including nephritis and kidney failure. Signs of kidney problems may include:

- change in the amount or color of your urine.

Problems in other organs. Signs of these problems may include:

- rash
- changes in eyesight
- severe or persistent muscle or joint pains
- severe muscle weakness
- low red blood cells (anemia)

Infusion (IV) reactions, that can sometimes be severe and life-threatening. Signs and symptoms of infusion reactions may include:

- chills or shaking
- shortness of breath or wheezing

- itching or rash
- flushing
- dizziness
- fever
- feeling like passing out

Getting medical treatment right away may help keep these problems from becoming more serious.

Your doctor will check you for these problems during treatment with KEYTRUDA. Your doctor may treat you with corticosteroid or hormone replacement medicines. Your doctor may also need to delay or completely stop treatment with KEYTRUDA, if you have severe side effects.

What is KEYTRUDA?

KEYTRUDA is a prescription medicine used to treat:

- a kind of skin cancer called melanoma. KEYTRUDA may be used when your melanoma:
 - has spread or cannot be removed by surgery (advanced melanoma) **and**,
 - after you have tried a medicine called ipilimumab and it did not work or is no longer working **and**,
 - if your tumor has an abnormal “BRAF” gene, and you also have tried a different medicine called a BRAF inhibitor, and it did not work or is no longer working.
- a kind of lung cancer called non-small cell lung cancer. KEYTRUDA may be used when your lung cancer:
 - has spread **and**,
 - tests positive for “PD-L1” **and**,
 - you have tried chemotherapy that contains platinum, and it did not work or is no longer working **and**,
 - if your tumor has an abnormal “EGFR” or “ALK” gene, and you have also tried an EGFR or ALK inhibitor medicine.

It is not known if KEYTRUDA is safe and effective in children less than 18 years of age.

What should I tell my doctor before receiving KEYTRUDA?

Before you receive KEYTRUDA, tell your doctor if you:

- have immune system problems such as Crohn’s disease, ulcerative colitis, or lupus
- have had an organ transplant
- have lung or breathing problems
- have liver problems
- have any other medical problems
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant
 - KEYTRUDA can harm your unborn baby.
 - Females who are able to become pregnant should use an effective method of birth control during and for at least 4 months after the final dose of KEYTRUDA. Talk to your doctor about birth control methods that you can use during this time.
 - Tell your doctor right away if you become pregnant during treatment with KEYTRUDA.
- are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed.
 - It is not known if KEYTRUDA passes into your breast milk.
 - Do not breastfeed during treatment with KEYTRUDA and for 4 months after your final dose of KEYTRUDA.

Tell your doctor about all the medicines you take, including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements.

Know the medicines you take. Keep a list of them to show your doctor and pharmacist when you get a new medicine.

How will I receive KEYTRUDA?

- Your doctor will give you KEYTRUDA into your vein through an intravenous (IV) line over 30 minutes.
- KEYTRUDA is usually given every 3 weeks.
- Your doctor will decide how many treatments you need.
- Your doctor will do blood tests to check you for side effects.
- If you miss any appointments, call your doctor as soon as possible to reschedule your appointment.

What are the possible side effects of KEYTRUDA?

KEYTRUDA can cause serious side effects. See “What is the most important information I should know about KEYTRUDA?”

The most common side effects of KEYTRUDA include:

- feeling tired
- cough
- nausea
- itching
- rash
- decreased appetite
- shortness of breath
- constipation
- joint pain
- diarrhea

Tell your doctor if you have any side effect that bothers you or that does not go away.

These are not all the possible side effects of KEYTRUDA. For more information, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

General information about the safe and effective use of KEYTRUDA

Medicines are sometimes prescribed for purposes other than those listed in a Medication Guide. If you would like more information about KEYTRUDA, talk with your doctor. You can ask your doctor or nurse for information about KEYTRUDA that is written for healthcare professionals. For more information, go to www.keytruda.com.

What are the ingredients in KEYTRUDA?

Active ingredient: pembrolizumab

Inactive ingredients:

KEYTRUDA for injection: L-histidine, polysorbate 80, and sucrose. May contain hydrochloric acid/sodium hydroxide.

KEYTRUDA injection: L-histidine, polysorbate 80, sucrose, and Water for Injection, USP.

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