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The primary endpoint of Study UC-I and Study UC-II was the proportion of patients in remission at Week 8, and the key secondary endpoint was the proportion of patients with improvement of endoscopic appearance of the mucosa at Week 8.

The efficacy results of Study UC-I and Study UC-II based on the centrally read endoscopy results are shown in Table 15.

**Table 15: Proportion of Patients Meeting Primary and Key Secondary Efficacy Endpoints at Week 8 (Induction Study UC-I and Study UC-II, Central Endoscopy Read)**

Study UC-I			
Endpoint	Placebo	XELJANZ 10 mg Twice Daily	Treatment Difference versus Placebo (95% CI)
<b>Remission at Week 8<sup>a</sup></b>			
Total Population	N=122 8%	N=476 18%	10%* (4.3, 16.3)
With Prior TNF Blocker Failure <sup>b</sup>	N=64 2%	N=243 11%	
Without Prior TNF Blocker Failure <sup>c</sup>	N=58 16%	N=233 26%	
<b>Improvement of endoscopic appearance of the mucosa at Week 8<sup>d</sup></b>			
Total Population	N=122 16%	N=476 31%	16%** (8.1, 23.4)
With Prior TNF Blocker Failure <sup>b</sup>	N=64 6%	N=243 23%	
Without Prior TNF Blocker Failure <sup>c</sup>	N=58 26%	N=233 40%	

<b>Study UC-II</b>			
<b>Endpoint</b>	<b>Placebo</b>	<b>XELJANZ 10 mg Twice Daily</b>	<b>Treatment Difference (95% CI)</b>
<b>Remission at Week 8<sup>a</sup></b>			
Total Population	N=112 4%	N=429 17%	13%** (8.1, 17.9)
With Prior TNF Blocker Failure <sup>b</sup>	N=60 0%	N=222 12%	
Without Prior TNF Blocker Failure <sup>c</sup>	N=52 8%	N=207 22%	
<b>Improvement of endoscopic appearance of the mucosa at Week 8<sup>d</sup></b>			
Total Population	N=112 12%	N=429 28%	17%** (9.5, 24.1)
With Prior TNF Blocker Failure <sup>b</sup>	N=60 7%	N=222 22%	
Without Prior TNF Blocker Failure <sup>c</sup>	N=52 17%	N=207 36%	

\* p-value <0.01, \*\* p-value <0.001.

CI = Confidence interval; N = number of patients in the analysis set; TNF = tumor necrosis factor

<sup>a</sup> Remission was defined as clinical remission (a Mayo score  $\leq 2$  with no individual subscore  $> 1$ ) and rectal bleeding subscore of 0.

<sup>b</sup> Prior TNF blocker failure was defined in this program as inadequate response, loss of response, or intolerance to TNF blocker therapy.

<sup>c</sup> Patients in this group had failed one or more conventional therapies (corticosteroid, azathioprine, 6-mercaptopurine) but did not have history of prior failure of TNF blocker therapy.

<sup>d</sup> Improvement of endoscopic appearance of the mucosa was defined as Mayo endoscopy subscore of 0 (normal or inactive disease) or 1 (erythema, decreased vascular pattern).

#### *Clinical Response at Week 8*

Clinical response was defined as a decrease from baseline in Mayo score of  $\geq 3$  points and  $\geq 30\%$ , with an accompanying decrease in the subscore for rectal bleeding of  $\geq 1$  point or absolute subscore for rectal bleeding of 0 or 1.

Clinical response was observed in 60% of patients treated with XELJANZ 10 mg twice daily compared to 33% of placebo patients in Study UC-I and 55% compared to 29% in Study UC-II.

#### *Normalization of the Endoscopic Appearance of the Mucosa at Week 8*

Normalization of endoscopic appearance of the mucosa was defined as a Mayo endoscopic subscore of 0 and was observed in 7% of patients treated with XELJANZ 10 mg twice daily compared to 2% of placebo patients in both Studies UC-I and UC-II.











### Hypersensitivity

Advise patients to stop taking XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR and to call their healthcare provider right away if they experience any symptoms of allergic reactions while taking XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.6)].

### Important Information on Laboratory Abnormalities

Inform patients that XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR may affect certain lab test results, and that blood tests are required before and during XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR treatment [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.7)].

### Pregnancy

Advise pregnant women and females of reproductive potential of the potential risk to a fetus. Advise females to inform their prescriber of a known or suspected pregnancy. Inform patients that Pfizer has a registry for pregnant women who have taken XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR during pregnancy. Advise patients to contact the registry at 1-877-311-8972 to enroll [see *Use in Specific Populations* (8.1)].

### Lactation

Advise women not to breastfeed during treatment with XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR and for at least 18 hours after the last dose of XELJANZ or 36 hours after the last dose of XELJANZ XR [see *Use in Specific Populations* (8.2)].

### Infertility

Advise females of reproductive potential that XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR may impair fertility [see *Use in Specific Populations* (8.3), *Nonclinical Toxicology* (13.1)]. It is not known if this effect is reversible.

### Residual Tablet Shell

Patients receiving XELJANZ XR may notice an inert tablet shell passing in the stool or via colostomy. Patients should be informed that the active medication has already been absorbed by the time the patient sees the inert tablet shell.

This product's label may have been updated. For current full prescribing information, please visit [www.pfizer.com](http://www.pfizer.com).



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## MEDICATION GUIDE

**XELJANZ (ZEL' JANS')**  
(tofacitinib)  
tablets, for oral use

**XELJANZ XR (ZEL' JANS' EKS-AHR)**  
(tofacitinib)  
extended-release tablets, for oral use

### What is the most important information I should know about XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR?

#### **XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR may cause serious side effects including:**

**1. Serious infections.** XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR is a medicine that affects your immune system. XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR can lower the ability of your immune system to fight infections. Some people can have serious infections while taking XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR, including tuberculosis (TB), and infections caused by bacteria, fungi, or viruses that can spread throughout the body. Some people have died from these infections.

- Your healthcare provider should test you for TB before starting XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR and during treatment.
- Your healthcare provider should monitor you closely for signs and symptoms of TB infection during treatment with XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR.

You should not start taking XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR if you have any kind of infection unless your healthcare provider tells you it is okay. You may be at a higher risk of developing shingles (herpes zoster).

People taking the higher dose (10 mg twice daily) of XELJANZ have a higher risk of serious infections and shingles.

Before starting XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR, tell your healthcare provider if you:

- think you have an infection or have symptoms of an infection such as:
  - fever, sweating, or chills
  - cough
  - blood in phlegm
  - warm, red, or painful skin or sores on your body
  - burning when you urinate or urinating more often than normal
  - muscle aches
  - shortness of breath
  - weight loss
  - diarrhea or stomach pain
  - feeling very tired
- are being treated for an infection.
- get a lot of infections or have infections that keep coming back.
- have diabetes, chronic lung disease, HIV, or a weak immune system. People with these conditions have a higher chance for infections.
- have TB, or have been in close contact with someone with TB.
- live or have lived, or have traveled to certain parts of the country (such as the Ohio and Mississippi River valleys and the Southwest) where there is an increased chance for getting certain kinds of fungal infections (histoplasmosis, coccidioidomycosis, or blastomycosis). These infections may happen or become more severe if you use XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR. Ask your healthcare provider if you do not know if you have lived in an area where these infections are common.
- have or have had hepatitis B or C.

After starting XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR, call your healthcare provider right away if you have any symptoms of an infection. XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR can make you more likely to get infections or make worse any infection that you have.

**2. Increased risk of death in people 50 years of age and older with rheumatoid arthritis who have at least 1 heart disease (cardiovascular) risk factor and who are taking a higher than recommended dose of XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR. The recommended dose** in patients with rheumatoid arthritis and psoriatic arthritis is XELJANZ 5 mg twice daily or XELJANZ XR 11 mg one time each day.

**3. Cancer and immune system problems.** XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR may increase your risk of certain cancers by changing the way your immune system works.

- Lymphoma and other cancers including skin cancers can happen in patients taking XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR. People taking the higher dose (10 mg twice daily) of XELJANZ have a higher risk of skin cancers. Tell your healthcare provider if you have ever had any type of cancer.

- Some people who have taken XELJANZ with certain other medicines to prevent kidney transplant rejection have had a problem with certain white blood cells growing out of control (Epstein Barr Virus-associated post-transplant lymphoproliferative disorder).

**4. Blood clots in the lungs, veins of the legs or arms, and arteries.** Blood clots in the lungs (pulmonary embolism, PE), veins of the legs (deep vein thrombosis, DVT) and arteries (arterial thrombosis) have happened more often in patients with rheumatoid arthritis who are 50 years of age and older and with at least 1 heart disease (cardiovascular) risk factor taking a higher than recommended dose of XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR. The recommended dose in patients with rheumatoid arthritis and psoriatic arthritis is XELJANZ 5 mg twice daily or XELJANZ XR 11 mg one time each day. Blood clots in the lungs have also happened in patients with ulcerative colitis. Some people have died from these blood clots.

- Stop taking XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR and tell your healthcare provider right away if you develop signs and symptoms of a blood clot, such as sudden shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chest pain, swelling of the leg or arm, leg pain or tenderness, or redness or discoloration in the leg or arm.

**5. Tears (perforation) in the stomach or intestines.**

- Tell your healthcare provider if you have had diverticulitis (inflammation in parts of the large intestine) or ulcers in your stomach or intestines. Some people taking XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR can get tears in their stomach or intestines. This happens most often in people who also take nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs), corticosteroids, or methotrexate. Tell your healthcare provider right away if you have fever and stomach-area pain that does not go away, and a change in your bowel habits.

**6. Allergic reactions.**

- Symptoms such as swelling of your lips, tongue, or throat, or hives (raised, red patches of skin that are often very itchy) that may mean you are having an allergic reaction have been seen in patients taking XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR. Some of these reactions were serious. If any of these symptoms occur while you are taking XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR, stop XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR and call your healthcare provider right away.

**7. Changes in certain laboratory test results.** Your healthcare provider should do blood tests before you start receiving XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR and while you take XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR to check for the following side effects:

- **changes in lymphocyte counts.** Lymphocytes are white blood cells that help the body fight off infections.
- **low neutrophil counts.** Neutrophils are white blood cells that help the body fight off infections.
- **low red blood cell count.** This may mean that you have anemia, which may make you feel weak and tired.

Your healthcare provider should routinely check certain liver tests.

You should not receive XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR if your lymphocyte count, neutrophil count, or red blood cell count is too low or your liver tests are too high.

Your healthcare provider may stop your XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR treatment for a period of time if needed because of changes in these blood test results.

You may also have changes in other laboratory tests, such as your blood cholesterol levels. Your healthcare provider should do blood tests to check your cholesterol levels 4 to 8 weeks after you start receiving XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR, and as needed after that. Normal cholesterol levels are important to good heart health.

See “What are the possible side effects of XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR?” for more information about side effects.

### **What is XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR?**

XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR is a prescription medicine called a Janus kinase (JAK) inhibitor.

XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR is used to treat adults with moderately to severely active rheumatoid arthritis in whom methotrexate did not work well or cannot be tolerated.

XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR is used to treat adults with active psoriatic arthritis in which methotrexate or other similar medicines called nonbiologic disease-modifying antirheumatic drugs (DMARDs) did not work well or cannot be tolerated.

XELJANZ is used to treat adults with moderately to severely active ulcerative colitis when medicines

called tumor necrosis factor (TNF) blockers did not work well or cannot be tolerated. It is not known if XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR is safe and effective in people with Hepatitis B or C. XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR is not recommended for people with severe liver problems. It is not known if XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR is safe and effective in children.

**What should I tell my healthcare provider before taking XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR?**

**Before taking XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR, tell your healthcare provider about all of your medical conditions, including if you:**

- have an infection. See “What is the most important information I should know about XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR?”
- have had blood clots in the veins of your legs, arms, or lungs, or clots in the arteries in the past.
- have liver problems.
- have kidney problems.
- have any stomach area (abdominal) pain or been diagnosed with diverticulitis or ulcers in your stomach or intestines.
- have had a reaction to tofacitinib or any of the ingredients in XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR.
- have recently received or are scheduled to receive a vaccine. People who take XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR should not receive live vaccines. People taking XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR can receive non-live vaccines.
- plan to become pregnant or are pregnant. XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR may affect the ability of females to get pregnant. It is not known if this will change after stopping XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR. It is not known if XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR will harm an unborn baby.
  - **Pregnancy Registry:** Pfizer has a registry for pregnant women who take XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR. The purpose of this registry is to check the health of the pregnant mother and her baby. If you are pregnant or become pregnant while taking XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR, talk to your healthcare provider about how you can join this pregnancy registry or you may contact the registry at 1-877-311-8972 to enroll.
- plan to breastfeed or are breastfeeding. You and your healthcare provider should decide if you will take XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR or breastfeed. You should not do both. After you stop your treatment with XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR do not start breastfeeding again until:
  - 18 hours after your last dose of XELJANZ or
  - 36 hours after your last dose of XELJANZ XR

**Tell your healthcare provider about all the medicines you take**, including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements. XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR and other medicines may affect each other causing side effects.

Especially tell your healthcare provider if you take:

- any other medicines to treat your rheumatoid arthritis, psoriatic arthritis, or ulcerative colitis. You should not take tocilizumab (Actemra<sup>®</sup>), etanercept (Enbrel<sup>®</sup>), adalimumab (Humira<sup>®</sup>), infliximab (Remicade<sup>®</sup>), rituximab (Rituxan<sup>®</sup>), abatacept (Orencia<sup>®</sup>), anakinra (Kineret<sup>®</sup>), certolizumab (Cimzia<sup>®</sup>), golimumab (Simponi<sup>®</sup>), ustekinumab (Stelara<sup>®</sup>), secukinumab (Cosentyx<sup>®</sup>), vedolizumab (Entyvio<sup>®</sup>), azathioprine, cyclosporine, or other immunosuppressive drugs while you are taking XELJANZ or XELJANZ XR. Taking XELJANZ or XELJANZ XR with these medicines may increase your risk of infection.
- medicines that affect the way certain liver enzymes work. Ask your healthcare provider if you are not sure if your medicine is one of these.

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

**How should I take XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR?** Take XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR exactly as your healthcare provider tells you to take it.

- Take XELJANZ 2 times a day with or without food.
- Take XELJANZ XR 1 time a day with or without food for rheumatoid or psoriatic arthritis. **Do not take XELJANZ XR for ulcerative colitis.**
- Swallow XELJANZ XR tablets whole and intact. Do not crush, split, or chew.
- When you take XELJANZ XR, you may see something in your stool that looks like a tablet. This is the empty shell from the tablet after the medicine has been absorbed by your body.
- If you take too much XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR, call your healthcare provider or go to the nearest

hospital emergency room right away.

- For the treatment of psoriatic arthritis, take XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR in combination with methotrexate, sulfasalazine or leflunomide as instructed by your healthcare provider.

**What are possible side effects of XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR?**

**XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR may cause serious side effects, including:**

- See “What is the most important information I should know about XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR?”
- **Hepatitis B or C activation infection** in people who carry the virus in their blood. If you are a carrier of the hepatitis B or C virus (viruses that affect the liver), the virus may become active while you use XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR. Your healthcare provider may do blood tests before you start treatment with XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR and while you are using XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR. Tell your healthcare provider if you have any of the following symptoms of a possible hepatitis B or C infection:
  - feel very tired
  - little or no appetite
  - clay-colored bowel movements
  - chills
  - muscle aches
  - skin rash
  - skin or eyes look yellow
  - vomiting
  - fevers
  - stomach discomfort
  - dark urine

Common side effects of XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR in rheumatoid arthritis patients and psoriatic arthritis patients include:

- upper respiratory tract infections (common cold, sinus infections)
- headache
- diarrhea
- nasal congestion, sore throat, and runny nose (nasopharyngitis)
- high blood pressure (hypertension)

Common side effects of XELJANZ in ulcerative colitis patients include:

- nasal congestion, sore throat, and runny nose (nasopharyngitis)
- increased cholesterol levels
- headache
- upper respiratory tract infections (common cold, sinus infections)
- increased muscle enzyme levels
- rash
- diarrhea
- shingles (herpes zoster)

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

These are not all the possible side effects of XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR. For more information, ask your healthcare provider or pharmacist.

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

**You may also report side effects to Pfizer at 1-800-438-1985.**

**How should I store XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR?**

- Store XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR at room temperature between 68°F to 77°F (20°C to 25°C).
- Safely throw away medicine that is out of date or no longer needed.

**Keep XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR and all medicines out of the reach of children.**

**General information about the safe and effective use of XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR.**

Medicines are sometimes prescribed for purposes other than those listed in a Medication Guide. Do not use XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR for a condition for which it was not prescribed. Do not give XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR to other people, even if they have the same symptoms you have. It may harm them.

This Medication Guide summarizes the most important information about XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR. If you would like more information, talk to your healthcare provider. You can ask your pharmacist or healthcare provider for information about XELJANZ/XELJANZ XR that is written for health professionals.

**What are the ingredients in XELJANZ 5 mg?**

**Active ingredient:** tofacitinib citrate

**Inactive ingredients:** croscarmellose sodium, HPMC 2910/Hypromellose 6cP, lactose monohydrate, macrogol/PEG3350, magnesium stearate, microcrystalline cellulose, titanium dioxide, and triacetin.

**What are the ingredients in XELJANZ 10 mg?**

**Active ingredient:** tofacitinib citrate

**Inactive ingredients:** croscarmellose sodium, FD&C Blue #1/Brilliant Blue FCF Aluminum Lake, FD&C Blue #2/Indigo Carmine Aluminum Lake, HPMC 2910/Hypromellose 6cP, lactose monohydrate, macrogol/PEG3350, magnesium stearate, microcrystalline cellulose, titanium dioxide, and triacetin.

**What are the ingredients in XELJANZ XR?**

**Active ingredient:** tofacitinib citrate

**Inactive ingredients:** cellulose acetate, copovidone, hydroxyethyl cellulose, hydroxypropyl cellulose, HPMC 2910/Hypromellose, magnesium stearate, red iron oxide, sorbitol, titanium dioxide, and triacetin. Printing ink contains ammonium hydroxide, ferrousferic oxide/black iron, propylene glycol, and shellac glaze.



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