



# MANAGING YOUR METHOTREXATE:

FOR YOUNG ADULTS WITH JUVENILE IDIOPATHIC ARTHRITIS (JIA)

## NORDIMET® TRAVEL PACK

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# TRAVELLING WITH NORDIMET®

This is your portable Nordimet<sup>®</sup> travel guide, so you can take important treatment information away with you, without the need to take your full patient pack.

It is important to check with your nurse or doctor before travelling to see any other documents you might need to take with you e.g. a copy of your prescription and your letter of diagnosis from your doctor. Your nurse or doctor can also provide you with a signed Nordimet® travel letter, which is needed when taking Nordimet® on an aeroplane. It may also be useful to contact the airline prior to travel to ask about flying with medicines. The Nordimet® Patient Information Leaflet (PIL) can be accessed via www.medicines.org.uk/emc/files/pil.7721.pdf.

#### **Vaccinations**

If you need any vaccinations for travel, remember to check with your nurse or doctor first as "live" vaccines should not be given during treatment.

#### Injection tracker

Keep a track of your injection site while away, so it can be rotated each week.

## INJECTION DAY (circle)

Monday / Tuesday / Wednesday / Thursday / Friday / Saturday / Sunday

Date of injection	Injection site A / B / C / D	Any side effects

Nordimet® is taken once a week only

# THE TWO-STEP INJECTION TECHNIQUE

#### Step I - Uncap

Pull the cap off, ensure the pen remains sterile and does not touch anything else.



#### Step 2 - Inject

Gently pinch your skin at the chosen injection site and hold this skin fold throughout the injection.

Place the yellow needle shield against the injection site, ensuring the entire rim of the needle shield is touching the skin.

Apply downward pressure on the pen until you hear and feel a "click". This activates the pen and the solution will inject automatically into the skin.

When the injection is complete you will hear a second "click". Wait for another 2-3 seconds before the pen is removed.

If any of the solution comes into contact with your skin ensure to rinse with plenty of water.







#### After the injection

- Check the viewing window. If you see green plastic, this indicates that the fluid has been injected.
- Each pen is for single use only. After injecting, place the pen into the sharps bin provided. Keep the sharps bin out of reach from children.
- The packaging can be placed in normal household waste.

You can watch the self-injection demonstration video on the Nordimet® website –

www.nordimet.co.uk/patient/or scan this QR code



### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

I forgot to take my injection on my allocated day of the week. Should I take it as soon as I remember?



Do not take a double dose to make up for a forgotten dose. Continue to take your injection at your next allocated day and speak to your doctor or nurse for advice.

#### Taking Nordimet® with food and drink

Avoid drinking excessive amounts of coffee or black tea and soft drinks containing caffeine and do not drink alcohol. Caffeine and alcohol can affect how well the drug works for you or may enhance side effects.

Try to make sure you drink plenty of water and liquids because dehydration whilst taking Nordimet® can also lead to side effects.

#### **S**torage

Make sure you keep your Nordimet® pens out of reach of children. They should be stored within their box to protect the medicine from light and kept at room temperature, below 25°C. The expiry date of each pen should be checked before use and discarded if out of date. If the solution inside is not clear and contains particles, also discard and use another pen.

Contact details for your hospital			
Name of nurse or doctor:	Telephone number:		
Name of pharmacist:	Telephone number (pharmacist):		
Name of homecare contact:	Telephone number (homecare contact):		
Other:			

**IMPORTANT** – contact your doctor straightaway if you experience any sudden wheeziness, difficulty breathing, swelling of the eyelids, face or lips, rash or itching – especially affecting the whole body.

# **Adverse Events reporting**

If you experience any side effects, speak to your doctor or nurse. This includes any possible side effects not included in the package leaflet. You can also report side effects directly at **www.yellowcard.mhra.gov.uk**. By reporting side effects, you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.



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