

Pegloticase: Patient drug information

Brand Names: US: Krystexxa

Warning

- Some people have had allergic reactions or side effects during the infusion or within 2 hours of the infusion. Reactions have also happened some time after the infusion. Tell your doctor or nurse right away if you have any of these signs during or after the infusion: chest pain, chest or throat tightness, cough, dizziness or passing out, fast heartbeat, feeling nervous, redness, flushing or feeling warm, a heartbeat that does not feel normal, hives, hoarseness, itching, shortness of breath or trouble breathing, swelling of the throat or tongue, trouble swallowing, or wheezing.
- You will be watched closely while you receive this drug and for some time after your dose.
- Other drugs will be given with this drug to help avoid side effects.
- You will need to have blood work checked to see if this drug is still needed.
- Do not take this drug if you do not have enough of a certain enzyme (G6PD deficiency) or favism. You may need to be tested to see if you have G6PD deficiency. Tell your doctor if you are of African, Mediterranean, or South Asian descent. G6PD deficiency is more common in these people.

What is this drug used for?

- It is used to treat gout.

What do I need to tell my doctor BEFORE I take this drug?

- If you are allergic to this drug; any part of this drug; or any other drugs, foods, or substances. Tell your doctor about the allergy and what signs you had.
- If you have G6PD deficiency.
- If you are taking any of these drugs: Allopurinol or febuxostat.

What are some things I need to know or do while I take this drug?

- Tell all of your health care providers that you take this drug. This includes your doctors, nurses, pharmacists, and dentists.
- Have blood work checked as you have been told by the doctor

- You may have more gout attacks after you first start taking this drug. Do not stop taking this drug. You may be given other drugs to keep you from having these gout attacks.

What are some side effects that I need to call my doctor about right away?

- Signs of an allergic reaction, like rash; hives; itching; red, swollen, blistered, or peeling skin with or without fever; wheezing; tightness in the chest or throat; trouble breathing, swallowing, or talking; unusual hoarseness; or swelling of the mouth, face, lips, tongue, or throat.
- Chest pain or pressure.
- Shortness of breath, a big weight gain, or swelling in the arms or legs.

What are some other side effects of this drug?

All drugs may cause side effects. However, many people have no side effects or only have minor side effects. Call your doctor or get medical help if any of these side effects or any other side effects bother you or do not go away:

- Bruising.
- Constipation.
- Upset stomach or throwing up.
- Nose and throat irritation.

How is this drug best taken?

- It is given as an infusion into a vein over a period of time.