



Treatment that
can be given
at home

A once-weekly, subcutaneous injection¹

TEGSEDI is the first and only treatment for hereditary ATTR amyloidosis that provides your patients with the independence and confidence to self-administer from the comfort of their own homes.¹

The first injection administered by the patient or their caregiver should be performed under the guidance of an appropriately qualified healthcare professional.¹ **Please see accompanying full Prescribing Information for more information on monitoring requirements and the TEGSEDI Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy (REMS) Program.**

INDICATION

TEGSEDI is indicated for the treatment of the polyneuropathy of hereditary transthyretin-mediated amyloidosis in adults.

Provided to your patients through AKCEA[®] CONNECT – a program offering your patients and their caregivers personalized and dedicated support during these difficult times.

WARNING: THROMBOCYTOPENIA AND GLOMERULONEPHRITIS

Please see full boxed WARNING for Thrombocytopenia and Glomerulonephritis and additional Important Safety Information on the following pages and accompanying full Prescribing Information.

Thrombocytopenia

- TEGSEDI causes reductions in platelet count that may result in sudden and unpredictable thrombocytopenia, which can be life-threatening
- Testing prior to treatment and monitoring during treatment is required

Glomerulonephritis

- TEGSEDI can cause glomerulonephritis that may require immunosuppressive treatment and may result in dialysis-dependent renal failure
- Testing prior to treatment and monitoring during treatment is required

TEGSEDI is available only through a restricted distribution program called the TEGSEDI Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy (REMS) Program.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

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Thrombocytopenia

- TEGSEDI causes reductions in platelet count that may result in sudden and unpredictable thrombocytopenia, which can be life-threatening. One clinical trial patient died from intracranial hemorrhage
- TEGSEDI is contraindicated in patients with a platelet count below $100 \times 10^9/L$
- Prior to starting TEGSEDI, obtain a platelet count. During treatment, monitor platelet counts weekly if values are $75 \times 10^9/L$ or greater, and more frequently if values are less than $75 \times 10^9/L$
- If a patient develops signs or symptoms of thrombocytopenia, obtain a platelet count as soon as possible. The patient should not receive additional TEGSEDI unless a platelet count is determined to be interpretable and acceptable by a medical professional
- Following discontinuation of treatment for any reason, continue to monitor platelet count for 8 weeks, or longer if platelet counts are less than normal, to verify that platelet counts remain above $75 \times 10^9/L$

Glomerulonephritis

- TEGSEDI can cause glomerulonephritis that may require immunosuppressive treatment and may result in dialysis-dependent renal failure. One clinical trial patient who developed glomerulonephritis and did not receive immunosuppressive treatment remained dialysis-dependent. In clinical trials, cases of glomerulonephritis were accompanied by nephrotic syndrome, which can

have manifestations of edema, hypercoagulability with venous or arterial thrombosis, and increased susceptibility to infection

- TEGSEDI should generally not be initiated in patients with urinary protein to creatinine ratio (UPCR) of 1000 mg/g or higher
- Prior to starting TEGSEDI, measure the serum creatinine, estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR), urine protein to creatinine ratio (UPCR), and perform a urinalysis. During treatment, monitor serum creatinine, eGFR urinalysis, and UPCR every 2 weeks. TEGSEDI should not be given to patients who develop a UPCR of 1000 mg/g or higher or eGFR below 45 mL/minute/ 1.73 m^2 , pending further evaluation of the cause
- If a dose is held, once eGFR increases to $\geq 45 \text{ mL/minute/}1.73 \text{ m}^2$, UPCR decreases to below 1000 mg/g, or the underlying cause of the decline in renal function is corrected, weekly dosing may be reinitiated. In patients with UPCR of 2000 mg/g or higher, perform further evaluation for acute glomerulonephritis, as clinically indicated. If acute glomerulonephritis is confirmed, TEGSEDI should be permanently discontinued

TEGSEDI REMS Program

- Because of the risks of serious bleeding caused by severe thrombocytopenia and because of glomerulonephritis, both of which require frequent monitoring, TEGSEDI is available only through a restricted distribution program under a Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy (REMS) called the TEGSEDI REMS Program

Contraindications

TEGSEDI is contraindicated in patients with

- Platelet count below $100 \times 10^9/L$
- History of acute glomerulonephritis caused by TEGSEDI
- History of a hypersensitivity reaction to TEGSEDI

Warnings and precautions

Thrombocytopenia

TEGSEDI causes reductions in platelet count that may result in sudden and unpredictable thrombocytopenia that can be life-threatening. In Study 1, platelet counts below $100 \times 10^9/L$ occurred in 25% of TEGSEDI-treated patients compared with 2% of patients on placebo. Platelet counts below $75 \times 10^9/L$ occurred in 14% of TEGSEDI-treated patients compared with no patients on placebo. One patient in a clinical trial experienced a fatal intracranial hemorrhage. Do not initiate TEGSEDI in patients with a platelet count below $100 \times 10^9/L$. Follow recommended monitoring and treatment recommendations for platelet count.

Symptoms of thrombocytopenia can include unusual or prolonged bleeding (eg, petechiae, easy bruising, hematoma, subconjunctival bleeding, gingival bleeding, epistaxis, hemoptysis, irregular or

heavier than normal menstrual bleeding, hematemesis, hematuria, hematochezia, melena), neck stiffness, or atypical severe headache. Patients and caregivers should be instructed to be vigilant for symptoms of thrombocytopenia and seek immediate medical help if they have concerns.

Glomerulonephritis and Renal Toxicity

TEGSEDI can cause glomerulonephritis that may result in dialysis-dependent renal failure. In Study 1, glomerulonephritis occurred in 3 (3%) TEGSEDI-treated patients compared with no patients on placebo. One patient did not receive immunosuppressive treatment and remained dialysis-dependent. If glomerulonephritis is suspected, pursue prompt diagnosis and initiate immunosuppressive treatment as soon as possible. Follow recommended monitoring and treatment recommendations for renal parameters. TEGSEDI should generally not be initiated in patients with a UPCR of 1000 mg/g or greater. If acute glomerulonephritis is confirmed, TEGSEDI should be permanently discontinued.

TEGSEDI is available only through a restricted program under a Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy (REMS) called the TEGSEDI REMS Program because of risks of serious bleeding caused by severe thrombocytopenia and because of glomerulonephritis.

Stroke and Cervicocephalic Arterial Dissection

TEGSEDI may cause stroke and cervicocephalic arterial dissection. In clinical studies, 1 of 161 (0.6%) TEGSEDI-treated patients experienced carotid artery dissection and stroke. Educate patients on the symptoms of stroke and central nervous system arterial dissection. Instruct patients to seek help as soon as possible if symptoms of stroke or arterial dissection occur.

Inflammatory and Immune Effects

Inflammatory and immune changes are an effect of some antisense oligonucleotide drugs, including TEGSEDI. In clinical studies, serious inflammatory and immune adverse reactions occurred in TEGSEDI-treated patients, including immune thrombocytopenia and glomerulonephritis, as well as a single case of antineutrophil cytoplasmic autoantibody (ANCA)-positive systemic vasculitis.

Liver Injury

In clinical studies, 8% of TEGSEDI-treated patients had an increased alanine aminotransferase (ALT) at least 3 times the upper limit of normal (ULN) compared with 3% of patients on placebo; 3% of TEGSEDI-treated patients had an ALT at least 8 times the ULN compared with no patients on placebo. Monitor ALT, aspartate aminotransferase, and total bilirubin at baseline and every 4 months during treatment with TEGSEDI. If a patient develops clinical signs or symptoms suggestive of hepatic dysfunction, promptly measure serum transaminases and total bilirubin and interrupt or discontinue treatment with TEGSEDI, as appropriate.

Liver Transplant Rejection

In a clinical study, cases of liver transplant rejection were reported 2-4 months after starting TEGSEDI in patients whose liver allografts had previously been clinically stable (for over 10 years) prior to starting TEGSEDI. In these cases, the patients clinically improved and transaminase levels normalized after glucocorticoid administration and cessation of TEGSEDI.

Adverse reactions

The most common adverse reactions that occurred in at least 20% of TEGSEDI-treated patients and more frequently than in those on placebo were injection site reactions, nausea, headache, fatigue, thrombocytopenia, and fever. Serious adverse reactions were more frequent in TEGSEDI-treated patients (32%) than in patients on placebo (21%).

Drug interactions

Because of the risk of thrombocytopenia, caution should be used when using antiplatelet drugs (including nonprescription products that affect platelets) or anticoagulants concomitantly with TEGSEDI. Because of the risk of glomerulonephritis and renal toxicity, caution should be used when using nephrotoxic drugs and other drugs that may impair renal function concomitantly with TEGSEDI.

In patients with a history of liver transplant, monitor ALT, AST, and total bilirubin monthly. Discontinue TEGSEDI in patients who develop signs of liver transplant rejection.

Hypersensitivity Reactions/Antibody Formation

TEGSEDI can cause hypersensitivity reactions. In clinical studies, 6 of 161 (4%) TEGSEDI-treated patients stopped treatment because of a hypersensitivity reaction. These reactions generally occurred within 2 hours of administration of TEGSEDI. Antibodies to TEGSEDI were present when the reactions occurred. If a hypersensitivity reaction occurs, discontinue administration of TEGSEDI and initiate appropriate therapy. Do not use in patients who have a history of hypersensitivity reactions to TEGSEDI.

Uninterpretable Platelet Counts: Reaction Between Antiplatelet Antibodies and Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid (EDTA)

In Study 1, 23% of TEGSEDI-treated patients had at least 1 uninterpretable platelet count caused by platelet clumping compared with 13% of patients on placebo. If there is suspicion of EDTA-mediated platelet clumping, perform a repeat platelet count using a different anticoagulant (eg, sodium citrate, heparin) in the blood collection tube. Recheck the platelet count as soon as possible if a platelet measurement is uninterpretable. Hold TEGSEDI dosing until an acceptable platelet count is confirmed with an interpretable blood sample.

Reduced Serum Vitamin A Levels and Recommended Supplementation

TEGSEDI treatment leads to a decrease in serum vitamin A levels. Supplementation at the recommended daily allowance of vitamin A is advised for patients taking TEGSEDI. Patients should be referred to an ophthalmologist if they develop ocular symptoms suggestive of vitamin A deficiency (eg, night blindness).

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AKCEA[®] CONNECT

Leading the way in patient support

AKCEA CONNECT is a free support program offered by Akcea[®] Therapeutics to help patients living with a rare disease and support them throughout their treatment journey. The program is made up of locally-based nurse case managers who have a wide range of medical knowledge and experience. AKCEA CONNECT is proud to offer the following services:

“We are here as your partner to provide support and reliable resources your patients can trust.”

- AKCEA CONNECT
Nurse Case
Manager



Individualized self-injection training

for patients reinforced through multiple patient touch points



Integrated connectivity between AKCEA CONNECT and the specialty pharmacy

with direct contacts to patients and your office



Reimbursement navigation and financial assistance across all patient services, including commercial, government, and uninsured



Shared commitment to patient safety,

assistance with scheduling, reminders, and follow-ups, and compliance with comprehensive laboratory adherence protocols



Meet patients wherever they are at no cost, with mobile phlebotomy and access to more than 2200 lab monitoring locations

During this time, our AKCEA CONNECT team remains committed to making sure your patients are supported. From continued monitoring assistance by our nurses to support with disease education and injection training, the safety of your patients will always come first.

To find out more about how AKCEA CONNECT is here to support your patients, visit our website or call us at:



[AkceaConnect.com](https://www.akceacommunity.com)



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