Are You Diagnosed With Axial Spondyloarthritis?
Consider Participation in our Clinical Research Study

For more information about this clinical study, or to learn if you qualify for participation, please contact:

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A clinical research study is underway to evaluate whether an investigational medicine is effective and safe for treating patients with active Axial Spondyloarthritis — inflammation affecting mainly your spine and the joints that connect your spine to your pelvis.

If you have Axial Spondyloarthritis, you may want to take part in this clinical research study.

Researchers are looking for patients who have active Axial Spondyloarthritis. It's also important that patients either cannot tolerate or have had a poor response to a type of drug called a “TNFα-blocker” (such as Humira® or Enbrel®). TNFα stands for “tumor necrosis factor alpha,” a type of chemical in the body involved in inflammation.

Study staff will closely monitor you throughout your participation in the study. If you are eligible for the study and choose to participate, you will receive all study-related care at no cost, and you may be reimbursed for your time and travel expenses.

Who may participate?
This study is looking for participants who:
• Are 18 years of age or older.
• Have a diagnosis of Axial Spondyloarthritis.
• Cannot tolerate or have had a poor response to a drug known as a “TNFα-blocker” (such as Humira® or Enbrel®).
• Have no history, signs or symptoms or active tuberculosis (TB). Any other history of latent TB or TB exposure will be evaluated by the study doctor.

Your doctor will tell you about other eligibility requirements.

What is the study drug?
The study drug is given in the study clinic as an injection under the skin. It is currently used to treat other conditions.

There is no guarantee that the study drug will be effective. You also need to know that the study drug may cause side effects. Your study doctor will explain all potential risks and benefits during your first visit.

What will I be asked to do?
If you qualify and agree to join this research study, you will be asked to:
• Sign an Informed Consent, a form indicating that the study has been explained to you and that all your questions about the study were answered.
• Keep all scheduled appointments with your study doctor.
• Answer questions about your health and pain at your clinic visits.
• Be willing to have the required tests, which include blood and urine tests, x-rays and an electrocardiogram (ECG).
• Report any changes in your physical or mental condition, whether or not you feel they are related to the study.

What about my privacy?
Study doctors and their staff will respect the privacy of all patients who take part in this study. Details about your health will be kept confidential.

If you enroll and later decide that you no longer want to take part in this study, you may end your participation at any time. You may be asked to undergo a final safety assessment before leaving the study.

How do I enroll?
Talk to your doctor about joining this study. A study doctor will tell you if you are eligible and then guide you through the study process.

Questions to ask
Some questions to ask when you first meet with the study team:
• How does the study drug work?
• How long will I be on the study drug?
• Are there foods, prescriptions, over-the-counter medications or activities I should avoid while taking the study drug?
• What tests will be performed?
• What do you expect to learn from these tests?
• How and when will I know the results of the tests?