NAVIGATING ADVANCEMENTS IN DIAGNOSIS & TREATMENT OF AXIAL SPONDYLOARTHRITS



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FDA-approved Treatments

Agent	FDA approval	Dosing	Administration Frequency	Serious Adverse Events (SAEs)
TNFa inhibitors				
Adalimumab	2006	40 mg by subc injection every other week	Every other week	Common AEs: Nasopharyngitis, injection-site reactions, headache SAEs: TB, invasive fungal, and other opportunistic infections
Etanercept	2003	50 mg once weekly	Weekly	SAEs: Increased risk of serious infection, including TB, bacterial sepsis, and invasive fungal infections
Certolizumab pegol (CZP) for nr-axSpA	2019	400 mg (given as 2 subc injections of 200 mg) initially, and at weeks 2 and 4; maintenance regimen 200 mg every other week or 400 mg every 4 weeks	Every 2 or 4 weeks, depending on dose	SAEs: Increased risk of serious infection, including TB, bacterial sepsis, and invasive fungal infections
Golimumab	2017	50 mg by subc injection once a month	Monthly	SAEs: Increased risk of serious infection, including TB, bacterial sepsis, and invasive fungal infections
Infliximab ³⁵	2004	5 mg/kg at 0, 2 and 6 weeks, then every 6 weeks	Every 6 weeks	Common AEs: Fever, extreme tiredness, flu-like symptoms, skin rashes, cough, stomach pain SAEs: Increased risk of serious infection, including TB, bacterial sepsis, and invasive fungal infections
Interleukin-17A				
Ixekizumab for nr-axSpA	2019	80 mg/mL by subc injection every 4 weeks	Every 4 weeks	Common AEs: Injection site reactions, upper respiratory infections, nausea, fungal skin infections SAEs: increased risk for infection, including TB, IBD, hypersensitivity
Secukinumab for nr-axSpA	2020	150 mg without loading dose every 4 weeks	Every 4 weeks	SAEs : Serious infections have occurred, including TB, IBD, hypersensitivity