

# THE LONGER TO DIAGNOSIS, THE MORE SEVERE THE PROGNOSIS

PIDD is a group of more than 450 hereditary immunodeficiency disorders caused by genetic defects that affect the immune system.<sup>1,2</sup>

**70% to 90%** of patients with PIDD remain undiagnosed<sup>2</sup>

**20 YEARS**

is the average number of years a person goes undiagnosed<sup>3</sup>

**67%**

of patients were not diagnosed with PIDD until  $\geq 35$  years of age<sup>3</sup>

**44%**

of patients experienced permanent functional impairment while waiting for diagnosis<sup>4</sup>

**54%**

of patients reported that the most common functional decline is lung function<sup>4</sup>

## MOST COMMON SYMPTOMS TO CONSIDER WHEN IDENTIFYING A PATIENT WITH PIDD<sup>5,6</sup>:



Recurrent, unusual, or difficult-to-treat ear infections



Multiple courses of antibiotics or IV antibiotics to clear infections



2 or more new sinus infections within 1 year, in the absence of allergy



Recurrent, deep abscesses of the skin or internal organs



Recurrent pneumonia, ear infections, or sinusitis



Persistent thrush or fungal infection on skin or elsewhere



Chronic diarrhea with weight loss



Infection with normally harmless tuberculosis-like bacteria



Recurrent viral infections (colds, herpes, warts, condyloma)



Swollen lymph glands or an enlarged spleen



Autoimmune disease



Family history of PIDD

## EARLY INTERVENTION CAN ALLEVIATE THE EFFECTS OF PIDD<sup>7</sup>

Tests to confirm a PIDD diagnosis include blood tests to identify specific immune system abnormalities<sup>8</sup>:

- Complete blood count with differential white blood cell count
- Quantitative serum immunoglobulin (IgG, IgA, and IgM) levels
- Antibody titers to protein and polysaccharide vaccines

If these tests are inconclusive and clinical suspicion of an antibody deficiency remains, it may be appropriate to conduct further testing and/or seek a second opinion.<sup>8</sup>

IgA, immunoglobulin A; IgG, immunoglobulin G; IgM, immunoglobulin M.

\*In patients 2 years of age and older.

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## PIDD AT A GLANCE: KNOW THE SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

PIDD can affect organs throughout the body, necessitating multidisciplinary care led by an immunologist.<sup>8-11\*</sup>



### Lungs

- **Lymphadenopathy**
- **Bronchiectasis**
- GLILD
- Nodules
- Interstitial lung disease
- Pulmonary granulomatous infiltrations
- X-ray-documented LIP focal pneumonias
- Recurrent bronchitis
- Chronic pneumonia



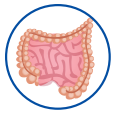
### Stomach

- Helicobacter pylori



### Liver/Spleen

- **Splenomegaly**
- Nodular regenerative hyperplasia
- Granulomatous hepatitis



### Intestines

- Diarrhea
- Malabsorption
- Inflammatory bowel disease
- Nodular lymphoid hyperplasia
- Idiopathic enteropathy
- Giardia enteritis
- Salmonella
- Campylobacter jejuni



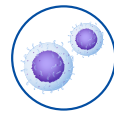
### Urinary Tract

- Ureaplasma
- Mycoplasma



### Ear, Nose, and Throat

- Chronic recurrent rhinosinusitis
- Sinusitis after ear tube placement
- Recurrent sinus infections
- New onset, recurrent otitis media in teens and adults
- Thrush outside of infancy
- Repeated ear tube placement



### Autoimmune

- Immune thrombocytopenic purpura
- Autoimmune hemolytic anemia
- Rheumatoid arthritis
- Alopecia

\*Items in **BOLD** represent signs and symptoms that may be more commonly seen.<sup>8</sup>



**If a patient is presenting signs detailed above or total IG levels <400 mg/dL, there may be a presence of underlying PIDD<sup>12</sup>**

GLILD, granulomatous and lymphocytic interstitial lung diseases; IG, immune globulin; LIP, lymphocytic interstitial pneumonia.

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 **Xembify**<sup>®</sup>  
(immune globulin subcutaneous  
human-klhw) 20%

## Indication

XEMBIFY® (immune globulin subcutaneous human-klhw) is a 20% immune globulin indicated for treatment of primary humoral immunodeficiency disease (PID) in patients 2 years of age and older. XEMBIFY is for subcutaneous administration only.

## Important Safety Information

### WARNING: THROMBOSIS

- **Thrombosis may occur with immune globulin products, including XEMBIFY. Risk factors may include: advanced age, prolonged immobilization, estrogens, indwelling vascular catheters, hyperviscosity, and cardiovascular risk factors. Thrombosis may occur in the absence of known risk factors**
- **For patients at risk of thrombosis, administer XEMBIFY at the minimum dose and infusion rate practicable. Ensure adequate hydration in patients before administration. Monitor for signs and symptoms of thrombosis and assess blood viscosity in patients at risk of hyperviscosity**

### Contraindications

XEMBIFY is contraindicated in patients who have had an anaphylactic or severe systemic reaction to the administration of human immune globulin. It is contraindicated in IgA-deficient patients with antibodies against IgA and a history of hypersensitivity.

### Warnings and Precautions

**Hypersensitivity.** Severe hypersensitivity reactions may occur with immune globulin products, including XEMBIFY. In case of hypersensitivity, discontinue infusion immediately and institute appropriate treatment. XEMBIFY contains IgA. Patients with known antibodies to IgA may have a greater risk of developing potentially severe hypersensitivity and anaphylactic reactions.

**Thrombosis.** Thrombosis may occur following treatment with immune globulin products, including XEMBIFY. Thrombosis may occur in the absence of known risk factors. In patients at risk, administer at the minimum dose and infusion rate practicable. Ensure adequate hydration before administration. Monitor for signs and symptoms of thrombosis and assess blood viscosity in patients at risk of hyperviscosity.

**Aseptic meningitis syndrome (AMS).** AMS may occur with human immune globulin treatment, including XEMBIFY. Conduct a thorough neurological exam on patients exhibiting signs and symptoms to rule out other causes of meningitis. Discontinuation of treatment has resulted in remission within several days without sequelae.

**Renal dysfunction/failure.** Acute renal dysfunction/failure, acute tubular necrosis, proximal tubular nephropathy, osmotic nephrosis, and death may occur with use of human immune globulin products, especially those containing sucrose. XEMBIFY does not contain sucrose. Ensure patients are not volume-depleted prior to starting infusion. In patients at risk due to preexisting renal insufficiency or predisposition to acute renal failure, assess renal function prior to the initial infusion of XEMBIFY and again at appropriate intervals thereafter. If renal function deteriorates, consider discontinuation.

**Hemolysis.** XEMBIFY may contain blood group antibodies that may cause a positive direct antiglobulin reaction and hemolysis. Monitor patients for clinical signs and symptoms of hemolysis. If signs and symptoms are present after infusion, perform confirmatory lab testing.

**Transfusion-related acute lung injury (TRALI).** Noncardiogenic pulmonary edema may occur in patients following treatment with immune globulin products, including XEMBIFY. Monitor patients for pulmonary adverse reactions. If TRALI is suspected, perform appropriate tests for the presence of antineutrophil and anti-HLA antibodies in both the product and patient serum. TRALI may be managed using oxygen therapy with adequate ventilatory support.

**Transmissible infectious agents.** Because XEMBIFY is made from human blood, it may carry a risk of transmitting infectious agents, eg, viruses, the variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (vCJD) agent, and, theoretically, the Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (CJD) agent. No cases of transmission of viral diseases, vCJD, or CJD have ever been associated with the use of XEMBIFY.

**Interference with lab tests.** After infusion of XEMBIFY, passively transferred antibodies in the patient's blood may yield positive serological testing results, with the potential for misleading interpretation.

### Adverse Reactions

The most common adverse reactions in ≥ 5% of subjects in the clinical trial were local adverse reactions, including infusion-site erythema (redness), infusion-site pain, infusion-site swelling (puffiness), infusion-site bruising, infusion-site nodule, infusion-site pruritus (itching), infusion-site induration (firmness), infusion-site scab, infusion-site edema, and systemic reactions including cough and diarrhea.

### Drug Interactions

Passive transfer of antibodies may transiently interfere with the immune responses to live attenuated virus vaccines (eg, measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella).

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Please see accompanying full Prescribing Information for XEMBIFY.

