# How important is it to get her flaring signs and symptoms under control?



Not an actual patient

MMF=mycophenolate mofetil; UPCR=urine protein/creatinine ratio.

#### Indications

#### Patient with newly flaring lupus nephritis

# Julia T., 29-year-old patient with lupus nephritis

- Julia was diagnosed with lupus nephritis 2 years ago and achieved a partial renal response after 12 months of treatment with MMF + steroids
- At her most recent follow-up, lab results showed significantly elevated UPCR relative to her previous visit
- Her physician wants to help ensure that the current flare of lupus nephritis is controlled as quickly as possible

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# **Clinical history**



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## Diagnosed with lupus nephritis 2 years ago

- UPCR 2.3 mg/mg at diagnosis
- Treated with MMF (2.5 g/day) and steroids for 12 months, achieved a partial response (50% reduction in UPCR)

#### **Current biopsy findings**

- ISN Class IV
- Diffuse proliferative lupus nephritis affecting 70% of glomeruli
- Subendothelial and mesangial immune deposition

#### **SLE** history

• Diagnosed with SLE 3.5 years prior

#### **Current medications**

- Hydroxychloroquine (200 mg BID)
- Prednisone (5 mg/day)
- MMF (1.5 g/day)
- Oral birth control
- Angiotensin II receptor blocker

## Laboratory findings and vitals

	At lupus nephritis diagnosis (2 years prior)	6 months prior	Present day
UPCR (mg/mg)	2.3	1.0	3.6
Serum albumin (g/dL)	3.0	3.6	2.8
Urine microscopy	5 RBC/HPF	No active sediment	8 RBC/HPF
eGFR (mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> )	88	90	80
Serum creatinine (mg/dL)	0.9	0.9	0.9
C3 (mg/dL)	60	90	55
C4 (mg/dL)	10	20	6
Anti-dsDNA (IU/mL)	100	70	125
BP (mmHg)	118/78	120/80	119/79
Weight (lbs)	148	150	155

This is a hypothetical case study. This resource is intended to help you determine the types of patients who may be appropriate for treatment with LUPKYNIS. This representation was not designed to assess efficacy for an individual patient subgroup.

BID=twice daily; BP=blood pressure; eGFR=estimated glomerular filtration rate; SLE=systemic lupus erythematosus.

# LUPKYNIS<sup>™</sup> (voclosporin) can help patients achieve greater outcomes vs standard of care (MMF + steroids) alone<sup>1,2,α,b</sup>



# To learn more about how LUPKYNIS can help your patients with lupus nephritis, **visit LUPKYNISpro.com**

<sup>a</sup>The AURORA Phase 3 trial was a randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial of LUPKYNIS 23.7 mg BID in combination with MMF (target 2 g/day) and corticosteroids (n=179) vs placebo BID in combination with MMF and corticosteroids (n=178) in adults with class III or IV (alone or in combination with class V) or class V lupus nephritis. Efficacy was established on the basis of complete renal response at Week 52. Key secondary endpoints included complete renal response at Week 24, partial renal response (50% reduction in UPCR from baseline) at Weeks 24 and 52, time to UPCR  $\leq$ 0.5 mg/mg, and time to 50% reduction in UPCR.<sup>1,3</sup>

<sup>b</sup>Complete renal response was achieved in 40.8% of patients with LUPKYNIS and 22.5% with control. Proteinuria reductions (UPCR ≤0.5 mg/mg) were achieved at a median time of 169 days with LUPKYNIS vs 372 days with control.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>c</sup>The primary efficacy endpoint of complete renal response was defined as a confirmed UPCR of  $\leq 0.5$  mg/mg; eGFR  $\geq 60$  mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup> or no confirmed decrease from baseline in eGFR of >20% or no treatment- or disease-related eGFR-associated event at time of assessment; presence of sustained, low-dose steroids ( $\leq 10$  mg prednisone from Weeks 44-52); and no administration of rescue medications. Proteinuria reduction was based on time to UPCR of  $\leq 0.5$  mg/mg.<sup>1</sup> d'Secondary endpoint in the AURORA Phase 3 trial.

#### Important Safety Information (cont.)

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#### WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

Lymphoma and Other Malignancies: Immunosuppressants, including LUPKYNIS, increase the risk of developing lymphomas and other malianancies, particularly of the skin. The risk appears to be related to increasing doses and duration of immunosuppression rather than to the use of any specific agent.

Serious Infections: Immunosuppressants, including LUPKYNIS, increase the risk of developing bacterial, viral, fungal, and protozoal infections (including opportunistic infections), which may lead to serious, including fatal, outcomes.

Nephrotoxicity: LUPKYNIS, like other calcineurin inhibitors (CNIs), may cause acute and/or chronic nephrotoxicity. The risk is increased when CNIs are concomitantly administered with drugs associated with nephrotoxicity.

Hypertension: Hypertension is a common adverse reaction of LUPKYNIS therapy and may require antihypertensive therapy.

Neurotoxicity: LUPKYNIS, like other CNIs, may cause a spectrum of neurotoxicities: severe include posterior reversible encephalopathy syndrome (PRES), delirium, seizure, and coma; others include tremor, paresthesia, headache, and changes in mental status and/or motor and sensory functions.

**Hyperkalemia:** Hyperkalemia, which may be serious and require treatment, has been reported with CNIs, including LUPKYNIS. Concomitant use of agents associated with hyperkalemia may increase the risk for hyperkalemia.

**QTc Prolongation:** LUPKYNIS prolongs the QTc interval in a dosedependent manner when dosed higher than the recommended lupus nephritis therapeutic dose. The use of LUPKYNIS in combination with other drugs that are known to prolong QTc may result in clinically significant QT prolongation.

Immunizations: Avoid the use of live attenuated vaccines during treatment with LUPKYNIS. Inactivated vaccines noted to be safe for administration may not be sufficiently immunogenic during treatment with LUPKYNIS.

Pure Red Cell Aplasia: Cases of pure red cell aplasia (PRCA) have been reported in patients treated with another CNI immunosuppressant. If PRCA is diagnosed, consider discontinuation of LUPKYNIS.

Drug-Drug Interactions: Avoid co-administration of LUPKYNIS and strong CYP3A4 inhibitors or with strong or moderate CYP3A4 inducers. Reduce LUPKYNIS dosage when co-administered with moderate CYP3A4 inhibitors. Reduce dosage of certain P-gp substrates with narrow therapeutic windows when co-administered.

#### ADVERSE REACTIONS

The most common adverse reactions ( $\geq$ 3%) were glomerular filtration rate decreased, hypertension, diarrhea, headache, anemia, cough, urinary tract infection, abdominal pain upper, dyspepsia, alopecia, renal impairment, abdominal pain, mouth ulceration, fatigue, tremor, acute kidney injury, and decreased appetite.

#### SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

**Pregnancy/Lactation:** May cause fetal harm. Advise not to breastfeed.

**Renal Impairment:** Not recommended in patients with baseline eGFR  $\leq$ 45 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup> unless benefit exceeds risk. If used in this population, reduce LUPKYNIS dose.

Hepatic Impairment: For mild or moderate hepatic impairment, reduce LUPKYNIS dose. Avoid use with severe hepatic impairment.

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