

Ajovy (Fremanezumab) for Migraine Prevention

Ajovy (fremanezumab) is an injectable medication that your doctor prescribed for migraine prevention. Please take as directed by your prescriber.

How should I take Ajovy?

Ajovy is injected into the fatty part of the abdomen, thigh, or back of upper arm. For multiple **Ajovy** injections, you can use the same general location but not the same spot.

1. Take **Ajovy** out of the refrigerator 30 minutes before administering the shot. You may see air bubbles in the prefilled syringe before administering your injection which is normal and will not harm you.
2. Wash your hands before and after using **Ajovy**.
3. You can take this medication two ways:
 - Once per month injection
 - Three injections at once every 3 months

If you want to switch your dosing schedule, administer the first dose of the new regimen on your next scheduled administration date.

4. Throw the syringe away after one use. It is not meant to be used more than once. If you are prescribed 3 injections for your dose, you must use 3 separate syringes.
5. If you miss a dose of **Ajovy**, administer as soon as possible. Contact your doctor or Michigan Medicine Specialty Pharmacy Services if you are not sure when to take **Ajovy** after a missed dose.

Do not:

- ⊗ Inject into areas where the skin is tender, bruised, hard or red.
- ⊗ Inject **Ajovy** in the same injection site you use to inject other medications.
- ⊗ Heat or shake the medication.
- ⊗ Use the medication if it is cloudy, discolored or has visible particles.

What drugs interact with Ajovy?

There are no significant drug interactions with **Ajovy**.

What foods interact with Ajovy?

There are no interactions between **Ajovy** and food.

What side effects can occur with Ajovy?

These are some of the most common side effects people experience while taking **Ajovy**:

Side effect	What can I do?	When should I call the clinic?
Irritation where the shot is given	Change the injection site to see if reaction is sensitive to one area of the body	If the reaction does not go away or continues to bother you

Allergic reaction is a more serious side effect that can occur with **Ajovy** which is not as common, but you should still be aware of it. Tell your doctor right away or get medical help if needed if you experience any signs or symptoms of an allergic reaction such as:

- rash
- hives
- itching
- swelling or tingling in your mouth or throat
- chest tightness
- trouble breathing

Allergic reaction can occur within hours to one month after administration.

What other safety concerns should I know about Ajovy?

Talk with your doctor if you are pregnant or plan on becoming pregnant while on this medication, or if you are planning on breastfeeding.

How should I handle/store Ajovy?

- Store Ajovy in the original container in order to protect it from the light.
- Store Ajovy in a refrigerator. Do not freeze or use any medication if it has been frozen.
- You may store Ajovy at room temperature for less than 24 hours. Throw away any unused medication that has sitting at room temperature for 24 hours or longer.

How should I dispose of Ajovy?

Throw away needles in a sharp/needle disposal box after use. When the box is full, follow all local rules for getting rid of it. Talk with a doctor or pharmacist if you have any questions.

There also may be drug take-back programs in your area. **For more information, please visit:**

- Safe Needle Disposal: www.safeneedledisposal.org
 - Enter your zip code for local disposal information in your area
- *Medication Disposal-How Do I Dispose of Unused Medications?*
<http://www.med.umich.edu/1libr/Pharmacy/MedicationDisposal.pdf>

This information sheet is not meant to take the place of patient care. If you have any questions, please contact your doctor or Michigan Medicine Specialty Pharmacy Services at (855) 276-3002.

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