PRESENTATION: Leqvio 284 mg solution for injection in prefilled syringe. Each pre-filled syringe contains inclisiran sodium equivalent to 284 mg inclisiran in 1.5 ml solution. Each ml contains inclisiran sodium equivalent to 189 mg inclisiran.

INDICATION: Leqvio is indicated in adults with primary hypercholesterolaemia (heterozygous familial and non-familial) or mixed dyslipidaemia, as an adjunct to diet: in combination with a statin or statin with other lipid-lowering therapies in patients unable to reach LDL-C goals with the maximum tolerated dose of a statin, or alone or in combination with other lipid-lowering therapies in patients who are statin-intolerant, or for whom a statin is contraindicated.

DOSAGE: The recommended dose is 284 mg inclisiran administered as a single subcutaneous injection: initially, again at 3 months, followed by every 6 months. ♦ Missed doses: If a planned dose is missed by less than 3 months, inclisiran should be administered and dosing continued according to the patient’s original schedule. If a planned dose is missed by more than 3 months, a new dosing schedule should be started – inclisiran should be administered initially, again at 3 months, followed by every 6 months. ♦ Treatment transition from monoclonal antibody PCSK9 inhibitors: Inclisiran can be administered immediately after the last dose of a monoclonal antibody PCSK9 inhibitor. To maintain LDL-C lowering it is recommended that inclisiran is administered within 2 weeks after the last dose of a monoclonal antibody PCSK9 inhibitor. ♦ Elderly, hepatic impairment, renal impairment: no dose adjustment is necessary. Inclisiran should be used with caution in patients with hepatic and renal impairment. ♦ Paediatric population: The safety and efficacy of inclisiran in children aged less than 18 years have not yet been established. ♦ Method of administration: Inclisiran is intended for administration by a healthcare professional via subcutaneous route. Each pre-filled syringe is for single use only.

CONTRAINdications: Hypersensitivity to the active substance or to any of the excipients listed in the SmPC.

WARNINGS/ PRECAUTIONS: ♦ Haemodialysis: The effect of haemodialysis on inclisiran pharmacokinetics has not been studied. Considering that inclisiran is eliminated renally, haemodialysis should not be performed for at least 72 hours after inclisiran dosing. ♦ Sodium content: This medicinal product contains less than 1 mmol sodium (23 mg) per dose, that is to say essentially “sodium-free”.

INTERACTIONS: Inclisiran is not an inhibitor or inducer of cytochrome P450 enzymes or common drug transporters. Therefore, inclisiran is not expected to have clinically significant interactions
with other medicinal products. Based on the limited data available, clinically meaningful interactions with atorvastatin, rosuvastatin or other statins are not expected.

PREGNANCY, LACTATION AND FERTILITY: ♦ There are no or limited amount of data from the use of inclisiran in pregnant women. As a precautionary measure, it is preferable to avoid the use of inclisiran during pregnancy. ♦ It is unknown whether inclisiran is excreted in human milk. A risk to newborns/infants cannot be excluded. A decision must be made whether to discontinue breast-feeding or to discontinue/abstain from inclisiran therapy, taking into account the benefit of breast-feeding for the child and the benefit of therapy for the woman. ♦ No data on the effect of inclisiran on human fertility are available.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: Common: Adverse reactions at the injection site.

LEGAL CATEGORY: POM

PACK SIZES: Pre-filled syringe: x1 pre-filled syringe. Pre-filled syringe with needle guard: x1 pre-filled syringe with needle guard.

MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER: Novartis Europharm Limited, Vista Building, Elm Park, Merrion Road, Dublin 4, Ireland.

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Please refer to Summary of Product Characteristics (SmPC) before prescribing. Full prescribing information is available on request from Novartis Pharma Services Inc, Representative Office Malta, P.O. Box 4, Marsa MRS 1000 Malta. Tel +356 21222872.

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