

Dear Patient,

Further development is needed in treating chronic kidney disease (CKD). More treatment options are needed, and they need to be more effective for more patients. Clinical research is an essential component in finding new treatment options for people like you.

If you are interested in helping with CKD research, consider the SAPPHIRE study.

SAPPHIRE is a clinical research study for people with CKD who also have elevated levels of uric acid in their blood (a condition called hyperuricemia). This study is evaluating the safety and effectiveness of an investigational medication in combination with an approved medication (allopurinol) in CKD patients.

You may qualify to join the SAPPHIRE study if you:

- Are at least 18 years of age
- Have been diagnosed with CKD
- Have elevated uric acid in your blood
- Meet other study requirements as determined by a screening process

The screening process may last up to 6 weeks. The study staff will complete assessments, including a full physical exam, laboratory tests, electrocardiograms and other tests, to see if you qualify to join the study.

If you qualify for the SAPPHIRE study, you will take study medication each day and attend study visits periodically. At study visits, the study doctor or staff will discuss your health with you, provide you with study medication, and conduct assessments to monitor your health.

You will have 8 study visits over a period of about 60 weeks. Thereafter, you will visit the clinic every 12 weeks until the last patient on the study has completed 60 weeks of taking the study medication. This may be up to more than 2 years on the study for the first patients. If you stop taking the study medication early, you will continue on the study and follow the original visit schedule without taking the study medication.

To learn more or to see if you may qualify to join the SAPPHIRE study, please contact me using the information below.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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