# **SAPHNELO**®

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### **Consumer Medicine Information**

This leaflet provides important information about taking SAPHNELO. You should also speak to your doctor or pharmacist if you would like further information or if you have any concerns or questions about taking SAPHNELO.

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## 1. Why am I taking SAPHNELO?

## SAPHNELO contains the active ingredient anifrolumab.

SAPHNELO is a monoclonal antibody (a type of specialised protein) that blocks the action of a group of proteins called Type I Interferons (IFN). Type I interferons are found at high levels in people with lupus and blocking them can reduce the inflammation in your body that causes the signs and symptoms of lupus.

SAPHNELO is used to treat moderate to severe lupus (systemic lupus erythematosus or SLE) in adults whose disease is

#### **not well controlled by standard treatment.** You will be given SAPHNELO as well as your usual treatment for lupus.

Lupus is a disease in which the immune system (the system in the body that fights infections) attacks your own cells and tissues, causing inflammation and organ damage. It can affect almost any organ in the body, including skin, joints, kidneys, brain and other organs, and can cause pain, rashes, fatigue, swelling in joints, and fevers.