

Monitoring Tests Required					
	FBC	LFTs	U+E's	Urine	BP
Adalimumab*	✓	✓		✓	
Azathioprine	✓	✓			
Ciclosporin	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cyclophosphamide	✓			✓	
Etanercept*	✓	✓		✓	
Gold	✓			✓	
Infliximab*	✓	✓		✓	
Leflunomide	✓	✓			✓
Methotrexate	✓	✓	✓		
Mycophenolate	✓	✓			
Sulphasalazine	✓	✓			
Tacrolimus	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Why you need regular blood tests

The drugs you have been prescribed may have side-effects. Monitoring your blood regularly will show if you are developing any side-effects.

Keeping this booklet up-to-date will help you. The use of this booklet promotes 'shared care' between your GP, consultant, nurse, and pharmacist.

Your doctor will advise you whether to increase or decrease the number of tablets (or a dose of injections) depending upon the results of your tests.

Things you must tell the medical staff

Report any changes to your health to your GP.

You must inform your GP or consultant about any medicines you are taking.

Always check with your doctor or pharmacist before taking any other medicines.

These include over-the-counter drugs and also herbal and alternative remedies.

* May not be required routinely