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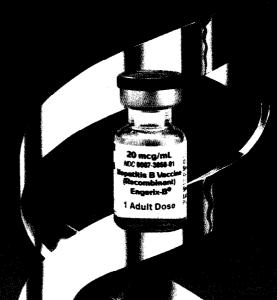
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Incidence 1% to 1%% of Injections: Induration; ery-thema; swelling; fever (>37.5%); headache; dizziness. "Parent or guardian completed forms for children and neo-nates. Neonatal checklist did not include headache; fatigue

or dizziness. Incidence < 1% of Injections: Pain: pruritus: ecchymosis; sweating, malaise; chills; weakness; flushing; tingling; hypo-tension: influenza-like symptoms; upper respiratory tract ill-nesses; nausea; anorexia; abdominal pain/cramps; vomit-ing; constipation; diarrhea; lymphadenopathy; pain/stiffness in arm, shoulder or neck; arthralgia; myalgia; back pain; rash; urticaria; petechiae; erythema; somnolence; insomnia: irritability; agitation.

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