

FOSEPREPENT - fosoprepent injection, powder, lyophilized, for solution
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HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION
These highlights do not include all the information needed to use FOSEPREPENT FOR INJECTION. See full prescribing information for FOSEPREPENT FOR INJECTION.

FOSEPREPENT for Injection, for Injection use

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INDICATIONS AND USAGE

Fosoprepent for injection is a substrate. Fosoprepent (the prodrug) is converted to fosoprepentol, indicated in adults, in combination with other cytotoxic and antiemetic agents, for the prevention of:

- acute and delayed nausea and vomiting associated with initial and repeat courses of highly emetogenic cancer chemotherapy (HEC) including high-dose cisplatin.
- delayed nausea and vomiting associated with initial and repeat courses of moderately emetogenic cancer chemotherapy (MEC).

Fosoprepent for Injection has not been studied for treatment of established nausea and vomiting.

DOSEAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

Fosoprepent for Injection is administered as an intravenous infusion. Complete the fosoprepent infusion 15 to 30 minutes prior to chemotherapy.

- Adults: 150 mg on Day 1.
- Children: Recommended for injection on Day 1 as an intravenous infusion over 30 to 60 minutes (see full prescribing information for dosage of concomitant antiemetics) (2.1).

DOSEAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS

Fosoprepent for injection: 150 mg fosoprepentol, 150 mg fosoprepentol/100 mg placebo single dose vial for reconstitution (2).

CONTRAINDICATIONS

- Known hypersensitivity to fosoprepent or any component of the product (3.1).
- Concomitant use with phenothiazines (3.2).

WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

1.1 Allergic reactions: Fosoprepent is a weak inhibitor of CYP3A4 and aprepitant, the active moiety, is a substrate and inhibitor of CYP3A4. See full prescribing information for fosoprepentol and concomitant drug (8, 12.1, 12.2, 12.3).

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ADVERSE REACTIONS

Most common adverse reaction is nausea. Other adverse reactions, including, but not limited to, are listed in Section 6.1.

DRUG INTERACTIONS

See full prescribing information for fosoprepent for injection, fosoprepentol, and fosoprepentol (12.1, 12.2, 12.3).

HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING

See full prescribing information for fosoprepent for injection, fosoprepentol, and fosoprepentol (12.1, 12.2, 12.3).

DESCRIPTION

Fosoprepent for injection is a white to off-white powder, lyophilized, for solution.

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2 DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

2.1 Prevention of Nausea and Vomiting Associated with HEC and MEC in Adult Patients

The recommended dosage of fosoprepent for injection, desamethasone, and a 5-HT₃ antagonist for the prevention of nausea and vomiting associated with administration of HEC or MEC is shown in Table 1 and Table 2, respectively. Fosoprepent for injection is administered as an intravenous infusion over 30 to 60 minutes, completing the infusion approximately 30 minutes prior to chemotherapy.

Table 1a Recommended Adult Dosing for the Prevention of Nausea and Vomiting Associated with HEC

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4
Fosoprepent for Injection	150 mg intravenously over 30 to 60 minutes	none	none	none
Desamethasone	12 mg orally	8 mg orally	8 mg orally	8 mg orally
5-HT ₃ antagonist	See selected 5-HT ₃ antagonist prescribing information for the recommended dosage	none	none	none

*Administer desamethasone 30 minutes prior to chemotherapy treatment on Day 1 and the morning on Days 2 through 4. Also administer desamethasone in the evenings on Days 1 and 4. A 50% dosage reduction of desamethasone on Days 1 and 4 is recommended to account for a drug interaction with fosoprepent for injection (see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)).

Table 2 Recommended Adult Dosing for the Prevention of Nausea and Vomiting Associated with MEC

	Day 1
Fosoprepent for Injection	150 mg intravenously over 30 to 60 minutes
Desamethasone	2 mg orally
5-HT ₃ antagonist	See selected 5-HT ₃ antagonist prescribing information for the recommended dosage

*Administer desamethasone 30 minutes prior to chemotherapy treatment on Day 1. A 50% dosage reduction of desamethasone is recommended to account for a drug interaction with fosoprepent (see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)).

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2.3 Preparation of Fosoprepent for Injection

Table 3 Preparation Instructions for Fosoprepent for Injection (150 mg)

Step 1	Respectfully inject 3 mL 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP into the vial. Assure that 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP is added to the vial using the vial and/or vial or parent bottle. Add the vial gently. Avoid shaking and jarring 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP into the vial.
Step 2	Respectfully prepare an infusion bag filled with 145 mL of 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP.
Step 3	Respectfully withdraw the entire volume from the vial and transfer it into the infusion bag containing 145 mL of 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP to yield a total volume of 150 mL at a final concentration of 1 mg/mL.
Step 4	Gently invert the bag 2 to 3 times.
Step 5	Labels
Step 6	Before administration, inspect the bag for particulate matter and discoloration. Discard the bag if particulate matter or discoloration are observed.

Caution: Do not mix or reconstitute fosoprepent for injection with solutions for which physical and chemical compatibility have not been established. Fosoprepent for injection is incompatible with any solutions containing divalent cations (e.g., calcium, magnesium), including Lactated Ringer's Solution and Hartmann's Solution.

The recommended final drug solution is stable for 24 hours at ambient room temperature or for 48 hours at 2°C to 8°C.

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3 DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS

Fosoprepent for injection: 150 mg fosoprepentol, 150 mg fosoprepentol/100 mg placebo single dose vial for reconstitution.

4 CONTRAINDICATIONS

Fosoprepent is contraindicated in patients:

- who are hypersensitive to any component of the product. Hypersensitivity reactions including anaphylactic reactions, flushing, wheezing, and dyspnea have been reported (see Warnings and Precautions (3.2), Adverse Reactions (6.2)).
- taking protonic inhibitors of CYP3A4 by themselves, the active moiety, could result in elevated plasma concentrations of the drug, which is a CYP3A4 substrate, potentially causing serious or life-threatening reactions, such as QT prolongation, a known adverse reaction of phenothiazines (see Warnings and Precautions (3.2)).

5 WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

5.1 Clinically Significant CYP3A4 Drug Interactions

Fosoprepent, a prodrug of aprepitant, is a weak inhibitor of CYP3A4, and aprepitant is a substrate, inhibitor, and inducer of CYP3A4.

- The use of fosoprepent with other drugs that are CYP3A4 substrates, may result in increased plasma concentration of the concomitant drug.
- Use of fosoprepent with fosoprepentol is contraindicated due to the risk of significantly increased plasma concentrations of fosoprepentol, potentially resulting in prolongation of the QT interval, a known adverse reaction of prokinetic (see Contraindications (4)).
- Use of fosoprepent with strong or moderate CYP3A4 inhibitors (e.g., ketoconazole, clarithromycin) may increase plasma concentrations of aprepitant and result in an increased risk of adverse reactions related to fosoprepentol.
- Use of fosoprepent with strong CYP3A4 inducers (e.g., rifampin) may result in a reduction in aprepitant plasma concentrations and decreased efficacy of fosoprepent.

See Table 7 and Table 8 for a listing of potentially significant drug interactions (see Drug Interactions (7.1, 7.2)).

5.2 Hypersensitivity Reactions

Serious hypersensitivity reactions, including, anaphylaxis and anaphylactic shock, during or soon after infusion of fosoprepent have occurred. Symptoms including flushing, erythema, dyspnea, hypotension and syncope have been reported (see Adverse Reactions (6.2)).

Discontinue the infusion and administer appropriate medical therapy. Do not reconstitute fosoprepent in patients who experience these symptoms with previous use (see Contraindications (4)).

5.3 Infusion Site Reactions

Infusions site reactions (ISRs) have been reported with the use of fosoprepent for injection (see Adverse Reactions (6.1)). The majority of severe ISRs, including thrombophlebitis and necrosis, were reported with concomitant vesicant antineoplastic agents.

In juvenile rats treated with fosaprepitant, changes in reproductive organs were observed. In juvenile rats treated with aprepitant, slight changes in sexual maturation were observed without an effect on reproduction. The effects on reproductive, sensory and motor function, or learning and memory were observed in rats. In a study in juvenile dogs treated with fosaprepitant from postnatal day 14 to 28, the effects on sensory and motor function were similar to those in juvenile rats. In the adult human, decreased testicular weight and Leydig cell size were seen in the males at 6 mg/kg/day and increased testicular weight, hypertrophy of the testes, and atrophy and necrosis of vaginal tissues were seen in females from 4 mg/kg/day. A study was also conducted in young rats to evaluate the effects of aprepitant on growth and on macrophage and neural development. Rats were treated at oral doses up to the maximum human dose of 150 mg/kg body weight from the early postnatal period (Postnatal Day 3) to 21 (equivalent to a 15 year old human). Slight changes in the onset of sexual maturation were observed in female rats only. However, there were no effects on mating, fertility, embryonic data survival, or histomorphology of the reproductive organs. There were effects on neurobehavioral tests of sensory function, motor function, and learning and memory. Aprepitant is a registered trademark of Merck & Sharp & Dohme Corp., a subsidiary of Merck & Co., Inc. A limited trademark for aprepitant, however, due to Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp., a subsidiary of Merck & Co., Inc.'s marketing exclusivity rights, this drug product is not shared with that product's information.

8.5 Geriatric Use

Of the 2443 adult cancer patients treated with intravenous fosaprepitant in HEC and HEC clinical studies, 27% were aged 65 and over, while 7% were aged 75 and over. Other than clinical experience with fosaprepitant, data in patients with severe hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh score 5 to 8), who were included in the clinical trial, identified differences in responses between elderly and younger patients. In general, caution should be used in elderly patients as they have a greater frequency of decreased hepatic, renal or cardiac function and concomitant disease or other drug therapy [see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)].

8.6 Patients with Hepatic Impairment

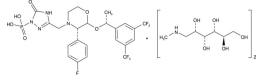
The pharmacokinetics of aprepitant in patients with mild and moderate hepatic impairment were similar to those of healthy subjects with normal hepatic function. No dosage adjustment is necessary for patients with mild to moderate hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh score 5 to 8). There are no clinical or pharmacokinetic data in patients with severe hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh score 9 to 15). Therefore, additional monitoring for adverse reactions in these patients may be warranted under supervision [see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)].

10 OVERDOSAGE

There is no specific information on the treatment of overdosage with fosaprepitant or aprepitant. In the event of overdosage, fosaprepitant should be discontinued and general supportive treatment and monitoring should be provided. Because of the antiemetic activity of fosaprepitant, repeated vomiting-induced emesis may not be effective in cases of fosaprepitant overdosage, and is reserved for hemodialysis.

11 DESCRIPTION

Fosaprepitant for Injection is a sterile, lyophilized formulation containing fosaprepitant dimorpheme a prodrug of aprepitant a substance P (NK1) receptor antagonist, an emeticoactive agent, chemically described as 1-[(2S)-2-[(2S)-2-[[[3-(4-chlorophenyl)propyl]amino]ethyl]propyl]amino]-5-oxo-5H-imidazole-4-carboxamide]ethane-1,1-diol hydrochloride (2:1 salt) (see below). Its molecular formula is C₂₇H₂₇F₂N₃O₃·2HCl·H₂O and its structural formula is



Fosaprepitant dimorpheme is a white to off-white powder with a molecular weight of 4204.83. It is freely soluble in water (soluble in 5% Dimethylsulfoxide and insoluble in n-hexane). Each mL of fosaprepitant for injection for administration as an intravenous infusion contains 243.3 mg of fosaprepitant dimorpheme equivalent to 150 mg of aprepitant (Free base) and 30 mg of hydrochloride. Components include: Aprepitant (Free base) 150 mg, hydrochloride, 30 mg, phosphate buffered saline (pH 7.0), sodium hydroxide and/or hydrochloric acid (for pH adjustment).

12 CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

12.1 Mechanism of Action

Fosaprepitant is a prodrug of aprepitant and accordingly, its antiemetic effects are attributable to aprepitant. Aprepitant is a selective high-affinity antagonist of human substance P/neurokinin-1 (NK₁) receptors. Aprepitant has little or no affinity for serotonin (5-HT₂), dopamine, and corticosteroid receptors. In rat, aprepitant has been shown to have no effect on the motor activity induced by cytosine chemotherapeutic agents, such as cisplatin, via central actions. Human and human foetus receptors (homology 100%) studies with aprepitant have shown that it crosses the blood brain barrier and occupies brain NK₁ receptors. Animal and human studies show that aprepitant antagonizes the antiemetic activity of the 5-HT₃ receptor antagonist ondansetron and the corticosteroid dexamethasone and blocks both acute and delayed nausea and vomiting stimuli.

12.2 Pharmacokinetics

Adult Pharmacokinetics

In a randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, through QTc study, a single 200-mg dose of fosaprepitant (approximately 1.1 times the recommended dose) had no effect on the QTc interval.

12.3 Pharmacokinetics

Pharmacokinetics after Intravenous Administration. Following administration of a single oral 150-mg dose of fosaprepitant, a profound accumulation of a single oral dose is observed in healthy individuals; the mean AUC_{0-∞} of aprepitant was 37.4 ± 2.4 (mg·hr/mL) and the mean maximal aprepitant concentration (C_{max}) was 4.5 ± 2.1 (3) mg/mL. Plasma concentrations of fosaprepitant are below the limits of quantification (10 ng/mL) within 30 minutes of the completion of infusion.

Bioavailability. Greater than 95% bound to plasma proteins. The mean apparent volume of distribution (V_d) was approximately 70 L in humans. Aprepitant crosses the blood brain barrier in humans [see Clinical Pharmacology (12.2)].

Elimination

Metabolism. Fosaprepitant is converted to aprepitant in *in vitro* incubations with human liver preparations and in *in vivo* incubations from multiple human tissues including kidney, lung and skin. Thus, it appears that the conversion of fosaprepitant to aprepitant can occur in multiple tissues in addition to the liver.

Aprepitant undergoes extensive metabolism. *In vitro* studies using human liver microsomes indicate that aprepitant is metabolized primarily by CYP2A with minor contributions by CYP3A and CYP2D6. Metabolism is largely via oxidation at the morpholine ring and to the chole, by metabolism by CYP2D6, CYP2C8, or CYP2E1 was detected.

In healthy young adults, aprepitant accounts for approximately 24% of the radioactivity in plasma over 72 hours following a single oral 200-mg dose of [¹⁴C]-aprepitant, indicating a substantial presence of metabolites in the plasma. Seven metabolites of aprepitant, which are orally excreted, have been identified in human plasma.

Fraction

Following administration of a single intravenous 100-mg dose of [¹⁴C]-fosaprepitant to healthy subjects, 17% of the radioactivity was recovered in urine and 45% in feces. Aprepitant is eliminated primarily by metabolism; aprepitant is not readily excreted. The parent drug can be excreted from approximately 9 to 13 hours.

Specific Populations

Elderly Population. Following oral administration of a single 125-mg dose of aprepitant on Day 1 and 80 mg on Day 2 and 80 mg on Day 3, in healthy elderly subjects, the mean AUC_{0-∞} on Day 1 and 50% higher on Day 2 in healthy elderly males and similar relative to younger adults. The C_{max} was 10% higher on Day 1 and 24% higher on Day 2 in elderly relative to younger adults. These differences are not considered clinically meaningful [see Specific Populations (8.5)].

Following oral administration of a single dose of aprepitant, ranging from 40 mg to 375 mg, the AUC_{0-∞} and C_{max} are 3% and 17% higher in females as compared with males. The AUC_{0-∞} values of aprepitant is approximately 25% lower in females as compared with males and the C_{max} values of aprepitant are approximately the same. These differences are not considered clinically meaningful.

Pharmacokinetics of aprepitant of a single dose of aprepitant, ranging from 40 mg to 375 mg, the AUC_{0-∞} and C_{max} are approximately 21% and 19% higher in Hispanics as compared with Caucasians. The AUC_{0-∞} and C_{max} were 4% and 17% higher in Asians as compared with Caucasians. There was no difference in AUC_{0-∞} or C_{max} between Caucasians and Blacks. These differences are not considered clinically meaningful.

Renal Impairment. A single 200-mg oral dose of aprepitant was administered to patients with severe renal impairment (creatinine clearance less than 30 mL/min/1.73 m²) or measured by 24-hour urinary creatinine clearance) and to patients with stage renal disease (ESRD) requiring hemodialysis.

In patients with severe renal impairment, the AUC_{0-∞} of total aprepitant (bound and unbound) and C_{max} were 2.3-fold higher in females than 2.3-fold higher in males. In patients with ESRD undergoing hemodialysis, the AUC_{0-∞} of total aprepitant decreased 34% and C_{max} decreased by 12%. Data from clinical studies in patients with severe renal impairment are not consistent clinically meaningful. The AUC_{0-∞} of aprepitant is approximately 10% higher in patients with severe renal impairment compared with healthy subjects. Hemodialysis conducted for 48 hours after dosing had no effect on the pharmacokinetics of aprepitant. There was 12% of the dose was recovered in the dialysate.

Hepatic Impairment. Fosaprepitant is metabolized in various extrahepatic tissues; therefore hepatic impairment is not expected to alter the conversion of fosaprepitant to aprepitant. Following administration of a single 225-mg oral dose of aprepitant on Day 1 and 80 mg on Day 2 and 80 mg on Day 3 in patients with mild hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh score 5 to 8), the AUC_{0-∞} of aprepitant was 13% lower on Day 1 and 38% lower on Day 2 as compared with healthy subjects. There were no differences in AUC_{0-∞} or C_{max} between mild hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh score 5 to 8) and healthy subjects. There were no differences in AUC_{0-∞} or C_{max} between mild hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh score 5 to 8) and healthy subjects. There were no differences in AUC_{0-∞} or C_{max} between mild hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh score greater than 9) and healthy subjects. There are no clinical or pharmacokinetic data in patients with severe hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh score greater than 9) [see Specific Populations (8.6)].

Body Mass Index (BMI). In a randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, through QTc study, the change in QTc interval was not considered clinically meaningful. In patients with severe renal impairment, the AUC_{0-∞} of total aprepitant (bound and unbound) and C_{max} were 2.3-fold higher in females than 2.3-fold higher in males. In patients with ESRD undergoing hemodialysis, the AUC_{0-∞} of total aprepitant decreased 34% and C_{max} decreased by 12%. Data from clinical studies in patients with severe renal impairment are not consistent clinically meaningful. The AUC_{0-∞} of aprepitant is approximately 10% higher in patients with severe renal impairment compared with healthy subjects. Hemodialysis conducted for 48 hours after dosing had no effect on the pharmacokinetics of aprepitant. There was 12% of the dose was recovered in the dialysate.

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13 NONCLINICAL TOXICOLOGY

13.1 Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility

Carcinogenesis

Carcinogenicity studies were conducted in Sprague-Dawley rats and in CD-1 mice for 2 years. In the rat carcinogenicity studies, animals were treated with oral doses ranging from 0.05 to 1,000 mg/kg twice daily. The highest dose produced systemic exposures to irapregant approximately equivalent to female rats or less than (male rats) the oral human exposure at the MTD of 150 mg. Treatment with irapregant at doses of 5 to 1,000 mg/kg twice daily caused an increase in the incidences of thyroid follicular cell adenomas and carcinomas in male rats. In female rats, it produced hepatocellular adenomas and thyroid follicular cell adenomas at 125 to 1,000mg/kg twice daily and hepatocellular carcinomas and thyroid follicular cell adenomas at 125 to 1,000mg/kg twice daily. In the mouse carcinogenicity studies, the animals were treated with oral doses ranging from 2.5 to 2,000 mg/kg/day. The highest dose produced a systemic exposure approximately 2 times the adult human exposure at the MTD of 150 mg. Treatment with irapregant produced liver, hepatocellular adenomas and carcinomas, and thyroid follicular cell adenomas at 125 to 1,000 mg/kg twice daily. Carcinogenicity studies were not conducted with irapregant.

Reproductive Toxicology
Irapregant and irapregant were not genotoxic in the Ames test, the human lymphoblastoid cell (TK6) mutagenesis test, the rat hepatoma cell line (rat liver) micronucleus test, the Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) cell chromosome aberration test and the mouse micronucleus test.

Reproductive Toxicology
Irapregant, when administered intravenously, is rapidly converted to agrepitant. In the fertility studies conducted with irapregant and agrepitant, the highest systemic exposures to agrepitant were obtained following oral administration of irapregant. Oral irapregant did not affect the fertility or general reproductive performance of male or female rats at doses up to the maximum feasible dose of 1,000 mg/kg twice daily providing exposures in male rats lower than the exposure at the maximum feasible human dose of 150 mg and exposure in female rats approximately equivalent to the adult human exposure.

14 CLINICAL STUDIES

14.1 Prevention of Nausea and Vomiting Associated with MEC in Adults

In a randomized, parallel, double-blind, active, controlled, irapregant injection 150 mg as a single intravenous infusion (N=147) was compared to a 3-day oral agrepitant regimen (N=173) in patients receiving a MEC regimen that included cisplatin (a 75 mg/m² dose) in both treatment groups.

Demethasone and ondansetron (see Table 11). Patient demographics were similar between the two treatment groups. Of the total 2322 patients, 63% were men, 56% White, 26% Asian, 3% American Indian/Alaska Native, 2% Black, 13% Multi-Racial, and 33% Hispanic/Latino ethnicity. Patient ages ranged from 19 to 89 years of age, with a mean age of 56 years. Other concomitant chemotherapy agents commonly administered were fluorouracil (17%), gemcitabine (14%), paclitaxel (15%), and etoposide (12%).

Table 11 Treatment Regimens in Adult MEC Trial*

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4
Irapregant Regimen				
Irapregant for injection	150 mg intravenously over 20 to 30 minutes approximately 30 minutes prior to chemotherapy	none	none	none
Oral demethasone†	12 mg	8 mg	8 mg	8 mg twice daily
Oral ondansetron‡	none	none	none	none
Irapregant Capsules	225 mg	80 mg	80 mg	none
Oral demethasone†	12 mg	8 mg	8 mg	8 mg
Oral ondansetron‡	none	none	none	none

* Irapregant for injection placebo, agrepitant capsules placebo and demethasone placebo (in the evening on Days 3 and 4) were used to maintain blinding. Demethasone was administered 30 minutes prior to chemotherapy treatment on Day 1 and in the morning on Days 2 through 4. Ondansetron was administered in the evening on Days 3 and 4. The 12 mg dose of demethasone on Day 1 and the 8 mg dose daily on Day 2 reflects a dosage equivalent to that of a 4 mg injection with the irapregant for injection regimen (see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)).

† Demethasone 12 mg intravenously was used in the clinical trials of irapregant. Although this dose was used in clinical trials, this is no longer the currently recommended dose. Refer to the demethasone prescribing information for the current recommended dose.

‡ Ondansetron was administered 30 minutes prior to chemotherapy treatment on Day 1 and in the morning on Days 2 through 4. The 12 mg dose of demethasone on Day 1 and the 8 mg dose daily on Days 2 through 4 reflects a dosage adjustment to account for a drug interaction with the oral agrepitant regimen (see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)).

The efficacy and safety results in Table 11 are shown to be consistent to that of the 3-day oral agrepitant regimen with regard to complete response in each of the secondary phases. The greatest non-interventory margin for complete response in the overall phase was 7%. The pre-specified non-interventory margin for complete response in the delayed phase was 7.3%. The pre-specified non-interventory margin for no vomiting in the overall phase was 6.2%.

Table 12 Percent of Adult Patients Receiving MEC Responding by Treatment Group and Phase – Cycle 1

ENDPOINTS	Irapregant for Injection Regimen (N = 146)†	Oral Agrepitant Regimen (N = 134)†	Difference (95% CI)
PRIMARY ENDPOINT			
Complete Response			
Overall	73.9	72.3	-0.4 (-1.0, 0.2)
SECONDARY ENDPOINTS			
Complete Response*	74.3	74.2	0.1 (-0.3, 0.3)
Delayed phase*	74.3	74.2	0.1 (-0.3, 0.3)
No Vomiting			
Overall	72.9	74.6	1.7 (-0.2, 3.7)

* Number of patients included in the primary analysis of complete response. Difference and Confidence Interval (CI) were calculated using the method proposed by Hothorn and Nurnauer and adjusted for Gender.

† Complete Response = no vomiting and no use of rescue therapy. Delayed phase = 120 hours post-injection of cisplatin chemotherapy. Overall phase = 25 to 120 hours post-injection of cisplatin chemotherapy.

14.2 Prevention of Nausea and Vomiting Associated with MEC in Adults

In a randomized, parallel, double-blind, active comparator-controlled study, irapregant for injection 150 mg as a single intravenous infusion (N=552) in combination with ondansetron and demethasone (irapregant/demethasone/ondansetron) was compared with intravenous ondansetron and demethasone (standard of care) (N=568) over 120 hours post-injection of cisplatin in patients receiving a MEC regimen. Patient demographics were similar between the two treatment groups. Of the total 1,000 patients, 63% were men, 56% White, 26% Asian, 3% American Indian/Alaska Native, 2% Black, 13% Multi-Racial, and 33% Hispanic/Latino ethnicity. Patient ages ranged from 21 to 89 years of age, with a mean age of 60 years. The most commonly administered MEC chemotherapy agents were carboplatin (3%), irapregant (14%), and cyclophosphamide (12%).

Table 13 Treatment Regimens in Adult MEC Trial*

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
Irapregant for Injection	150 mg intravenously over 20 to 30 minutes approximately 30 minutes after cisplatin injection	none	none
Oral demethasone†	8 mg	8 mg	8 mg
Oral ondansetron‡	8 mg	8 mg	8 mg

* Irapregant for injection placebo and demethasone placebo (on Day 1) were used to maintain blinding.

† Demethasone was administered 30 minutes prior to chemotherapy treatment on Day 1 and in the morning on Days 2 through 4. The 12 mg dose reflects a dosage adjustment to account for a drug interaction with the irapregant for injection regimen (see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)). The first ondansetron dose was administered 30 to 60 minutes prior to chemotherapy treatment on Day 1 and the second dose was administered 8 hours after first ondansetron dose.

The primary endpoint was complete response (defined as no vomiting and no rescue therapy) in the delayed phase (25 to 120 hours) of chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting. The results by treatment group are shown in Table 14.

Table 14 Percent of Adult Patients Receiving MEC Responding by Treatment Group

ENDPOINTS	Irapregant for Injection Regimen (N = 502)†	Standard of Care Therapy Regimen (N = 498)†	P-Value	Difference (95% CI)
PRIMARY ENDPOINT				
Complete Response	78.9	68.5	<0.001	10.4 (7.3, 13.5)

* Number of patients included in the intention to treat population. Difference and Confidence Interval (CI) were calculated using the method proposed by Hothorn and Nurnauer and adjusted for Gender.

† Complete Response = no vomiting and no use of rescue therapy. Delayed phase = 25 to 120 hours post-injection of chemotherapy.

15 HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING

See USP σ Single-dose glass vial containing 150 mg of irapregant as a white to off white lyophilized cake or powder for reconstitution. Supplied as follows:
NDC 7220-985-01 1 vial per carton
Storage
Irapregant for injection vial must be refrigerated, store at 2°C to 8°C (36°F to 46°F). The reconstituted final drug solution is stable for 24 hours at ambient room temperature (4°C to 25°C) (17°F).

17 PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION

Advise the patient to read the FDA-approved patient labeling (Patient Information), **Important Information**. Advise patients that hypersensitivity reactions, including anaphylaxis and anaphylactic shock, have been reported in patients taking irapregant. Advise patients to seek immediate medical attention if they experience signs or symptoms of a hypersensitivity reaction, such as hives, rash, difficulty breathing, difficulty swallowing, rapid or weak heartbeat or feeling faint (see **Warnings and Precautions** (2.2)). Advise patients to seek medical attention if they experience new or worsening signs or symptoms of an infusion site reaction, such as erythema, edema, pain, tenderness, redness, or thrombophlebitis at or near the infusion site (see **Warnings and Precautions** (2.3)). Advise patients to discuss all medications they are taking, including other prescription, non-prescription medication or herbal products (see **Contraindications** (4), **Warnings and Precautions** (3.2)). Advise patients to discuss chronic ear/nose/throat therapy to follow instructions from their healthcare provider regarding blood donation to receive the full benefit of each chemotherapy agent, particularly at 7 to 10 days following initiation of chemotherapy with each chemotherapy agent (see **Warnings and Precautions** (3.4)). Advise patients to use effective hormonal contraception. Advise patients that administration of irapregant may reduce the efficacy of hormonal contraception. Instruct patients to use effective alternative or back-up methods of contraception (such as condoms and spermicides) during treatment with irapregant and for 1 month following administration of irapregant (see **Warnings and Precautions** (3.5)). Use in Specific Populations (8.3).

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PATIENT INFORMATION

Irapregant (FOS A PREP Lact)
for Injection
Read this patient information before you start receiving irapregant for injection and each time you are scheduled to receive irapregant for injection. There may be new information. This information does not take the place of talking with your healthcare provider about your medical condition or treatment.
What is irapregant for injection?
Irapregant for injection is a prescription medicine used with other medicines that treat nausea and vomiting in patients 18 years of age and older to prevent nausea and vomiting caused by certain anti-cancer (chemotherapy) medicines.
Irapregant for injection is not used to treat nausea and vomiting that you already have.
It is not known if irapregant for injection is safe and effective in children less than 6 months of age.
Who should not receive irapregant for injection?
Do not receive irapregant for injection if you:
• are allergic to irapregant, agrepitant, or any of the ingredients in irapregant for injection. See the end of this leaflet for a complete list of the ingredients in irapregant for injection.

• use taking prenatal (DRAPE)

What should I tell my healthcare provider before receiving fosaprepitant for injection?

- Tell your doctor if you are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. It is not known if fosaprepitant for injection can harm your unborn baby.
- Tell your doctor if you are taking or plan to take birth control medicines containing hormones to prevent pregnancy (birth control pills, skin patches, implants, and certain IUDs) should also use a back-up method of birth control that does not contain hormones, such as condoms and diaphragms. Start treatment with fosaprepitant for injection and for 1 month after receiving fosaprepitant for injection.
- Tell your doctor if you are breastfeeding. It is not known if fosaprepitant for injection passes into your breast milk. Talk to your healthcare provider about the best way to feed your baby if you receive fosaprepitant for injection.

Tell your healthcare provider about all the medicines you take, including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements.

Fosaprepitant for injection may affect the way other medicines work, and other medicines may affect the way fosaprepitant for injection works, causing various side effects.

How will I receive fosaprepitant for injection?

Adult: 15 years of age and older. Fosaprepitant for injection is given on day 1 of chemotherapy treatment. It will be given to you by intravenous (IV) infusion in your vein about 30 to 60 minutes before you start your chemotherapy treatment.

What are the possible side effects of fosaprepitant for injection?

Fosaprepitant for injection may cause various side effects, including:

- Rash, itching, flushing or redness of your face or skin, trouble breathing or swallowing, dizziness or a slow or weak heartbeat, or you feel faint during or soon after you receive fosaprepitant for injection, as you may need emergency medical care.
- Severe skin reactions, which may include rash, skin peeling, or sores, may occur. Inclusion skin reactions (ISR) at or near the infusion site have happened with fosaprepitant for injection.
- Most severe OR have happened with a certain type of chemotherapy medicine that can be used with your anti-nausea medicine, including pain, swelling and bruising, death of skin tissue (necrosis). The highest risk is from people getting the type of chemotherapy medicine. Most ISR can happen with the first, second, or third dose and some can last up to 2 weeks or longer. Tell your healthcare provider right away if you get any infusion site side effects.

In adults, the most common side effects of fosaprepitant for injection include:

- Headache
 - Feeling weak or numb in your arms and legs
 - Diarrhea
 - Painful, difficult, or changes in your digestion (dyspepsia)
 - An white blood cell and red blood counts
 - Urinary tract infection
 - Rash
 - Pain in your arms and legs
- Tell your healthcare provider if you have any side effect that bothers you or that does not go away. There are not all of the possible side effects of fosaprepitant for injection. For more information ask your healthcare provider or pharmacist.

Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

General information about the safe and effective use of fosaprepitant for injection.

You should be more information about fosaprepitant for injection, talk with your healthcare provider. You can ask your healthcare provider or pharmacist for information about fosaprepitant for injection and written for health professionals. For more information about fosaprepitant for injection call Novartis Pharmaceuticals LLC at 1-855-682-2800 or go to www.novartispharm.com.

What are the ingredients in fosaprepitant for injection?

Active ingredients: fosaprepitant dihydrochloride.
Inactive ingredients: sodium disulfide, sodium hydroxide, polysorbate 80, sodium hydroxide, and/or hydrochloric acid (for pH adjustment).
The brands listed are trademarks or registered trademarks of their respective owners and are not affiliated with and do not endorse Novartis Pharmaceuticals LLC. For further information, please refer to Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp., a subsidiary of Merck & Co., Inc. (Novartis Pharmaceuticals LLC) at Merck & Co., Inc.'s Emsend (fosaprepitant) for injection. However, due to Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp., a subsidiary of Merck & Co., Inc.'s marketing exclusively rights, this drug product is not labeled with that product information.

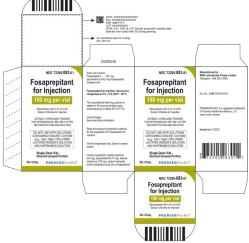
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Fosaprepitant carton label



Fosaprepitant vial label



FOSAPREPITANT			
Fosaprepitant dihydrochloride, lyophilized, for injection			
Product Information			
Product Type	ORAL PRESCRIPTION ONLY	Item Code (NDC)	MSD-PAR-019
Route of Administration	INTRAVENOUS		
Active Ingredient/Active Moiety			
FOSAPREPITANT DIHYDROCHLORIDE (FOSAPREPITANT)	Active Moiety	Strength	100 mg (as HCl)
Inactive Ingredients			
Ingredient Name		Strength	
SODIUM DISULFIDE (SLS) (FOSAPREPITANT)			
SODIUM HYDROXIDE (SLS) (FOSAPREPITANT)			
POLYSORBATE 80 (SLS) (FOSAPREPITANT)			
SODIUM CHLORIDE (SLS) (FOSAPREPITANT)			
HYDROCHLORIC ACID (SLS) (FOSAPREPITANT)			
Packaging			
NDC Code	Package Description	Marketing Start Date	Marketing End Date
0161-0005-1	1 in 1 Carton	12/10/2005	
0161-0005-2	1 in 1 Vial, Single Dose, Type II, Milk x1		
Marketing Information			
Company	Marketing Number of Product	Marketing Start Date	Marketing End Date
MSD	0161-0005	12/10/2005	
Labeler - Novartis Pharmaceuticals LLC (01610001)			
Establishment			
Name	Address	City	Business Operations
MSD LABORATORIES PRIVATE LIMITED	502002	Telangana	INDIA
Product 10021			
Novartis Pharmaceuticals LLC			