

24 mg/ 1.2mL (20 mg/mL)
Solution for subcutaneous injection

Read this entire leaflet carefully before you start taking this medicine.

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- If you have further question, ask your doctor or your pharmacist.
- This medicine has been prescribed for you. Do not pass it on to others. It may harm them, even if their symptoms are the same as yours.

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1. What Plerixafor is and what it is used for?

Plerixafor, a hematopoietic stem cell (HSC) mobilizer, is an inhibitor of the CXCR4 chemokine receptor and blocks binding of its cognate ligand, stromal cell-derived factor-1 α (SDF-1 α). SDF-1 α and CXCR4 are recognized to play a role in the trafficking and homing of human HSCs to the marrow compartment.

Plerixafor is used to mobilize hematopoietic stem cells to peripheral blood for collection and subsequent autologous transplantation in patients with lymphoma or multiple myeloma.

2. What you need to know before you are given Plerixafor

Do not use Plerixafor:

- If you are allergic to Plerixafor or any of the other ingredients of this medicine (listed in section 6).

Warnings and precautions

Talk to your doctor before using Plerixafor:

- If you have or have had any heart problems.
- If you have kidney problems. Your doctor may adjust the dose.
- If you have high white blood cell counts.
- If you have low platelet counts.
- If you have a history of feeling faint or lightheaded on standing or sitting or have fainted before upon injections. Your doctor may perform regular blood tests to monitor your blood cell count (platelets and white blood cell count).

It is not recommended to use Plerixafor for stem cell mobilization if you have leukemia.

Dosage adjustment in renal impairment

It is recommended to reduce dose to 160 micrograms/kg (maximum 27 mg) daily if creatinine clearance 20–50 mL/minute.

Other medicines and Plerixafor

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking, have recently taken or might take any other medicines.

Pregnancy and breast-feeding

You should not use Plerixafor if you are pregnant, since there is no experience with Plerixafor in pregnant women. It is important to tell your doctor if you are, think you may be or are planning to become pregnant. It is recommended to use contraception if you are of child-bearing age.

You should not breast-feed if you are using Plerixafor, since it is not known if Plerixafor is excreted in human milk.

Driving and using machines

Plerixafor may cause dizziness and fatigue. Therefore, you should avoid driving if you feel dizzy, tired or unwell.

3. How Plerixafor is used

Your medicine will be injected by a doctor or a nurse.

You will first receive G-CSF, then you will be given Plerixafor. Mobilization will be started by first giving you another medicine called G-CSF (granulocyte- colony

stimulating factor). G-CSF will help Plerixafor to work properly in your body.

How much Plerixafor is given?

The recommended adult dose is either a 20 mg (fixed dose) or 0.24 mg/kg body weight/day. The recommended dose for children, 1 to less than 18 years of age is 0.24 mg/kg body weight/day.

Your dose will depend on your body weight, which should be measured the week before you receive your first dose. If you have moderate or severe kidney problems, your doctor will reduce the dose.

How is Plerixafor given?

Plerixafor is given by subcutaneous injection.

When is Plerixafor given for the first time?

You will receive your first dose 6 to 11 hours before apheresis (collection of blood stem cells).

How long will Plerixafor be given?

Treatment lasts 2 to 4 consecutive days (in some cases up to 7 days), until enough stem cells have been collected for your transplant. In a few cases, enough stem cells may not be collected, and the collection attempt will be stopped.

4. Possible side effects

Please tell your doctor immediately if:

- Shortly after receiving Plerixafor, you experience rash, swelling around the eyes, shortness of breath or lack of oxygen, feeling lightheaded on standing or sitting, feeling faint or fainting
- You have pain in the upper left abdomen or your left shoulder

Common or very common

Arthralgia, constipation, diarrhea, dizziness, dry mouth, erythema, fatigue, flatulence, gastrointestinal discomfort, headache, hyperhidrosis, malaise, musculoskeletal pain, nausea, oral hypoesthesia (numbness around the mouth), sleep disorders, vomiting, injection site redness or irritation, low blood cell count (anemia), indigestion, generalized redness of the skin

Uncommon

Allergic reactions (such as skin rash, swelling around the eyes, shortness of breath), anaphylactic reactions including anaphylactic shock, abnormal dreams, nightmares

Frequency not known

Postural hypotension, splenomegaly, syncope

5. How to store Plerixafor

- Store below 30°C.
- Keep out of the sight and reach of children.
- After opening the vial, Plerixafor should be used immediately.
- Do not use this medicine after the expiry date which is stated on the box and vial after EXP.
- Medicines should not be disposed of via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to dispose of medicines no longer required. These measures will help to protect the environment.

6. Contents of the pack and other information

What Plerixafor Contains

- The active substance is Plerixafor. Each mL solution for injection contains 20 mg Plerixafor. Each vial contains 24 mg Plerixafor in 1.2 mL solution.
- The other ingredients are sodium chloride, hydrochloric acid, sodium hydroxide for pH adjustment and water for injections.

Contents of the pack:

Plerixafor is supplied as a clear, colorless to pale yellow solution for injection in a glass vial.

Each box contains 1 vial and each vial contains 24 mg plerixafor in 1.2 mL solution.

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Leaflet	Plerixafor
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Grammage	58-70 g/m ²
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