

The PROOF is in GAMUNEX-C

The first and only IG* therapy with both IV† and SC‡ routes of administration in Primary Immunodeficiency (PI)



Important Safety Information for GAMUNEX-C

Gamunex-C, Immune Globulin Injection (Human), 10% Caprylate/Chromatography Purified, is indicated for the treatment of primary humoral immunodeficiency disease (PI), idiopathic thrombocytopenic purpura (ITP), and chronic inflammatory demyelinating polyneuropathy (CIDP).

Renal dysfunction, acute renal failure, osmotic nephrosis, and death may occur with immune globulin intravenous (IGIV) products in predisposed patients. Patients predisposed to renal dysfunction include those with any degree of pre-existing renal insufficiency, diabetes mellitus, age greater than 65, volume depletion, sepsis, paraproteinemia, or patients receiving known nephrotoxic drugs. Renal dysfunction and acute renal failure occur more commonly in patients receiving IGIV products containing sucrose. Gamunex-C does not contain sucrose. For patients at risk of renal dysfunction or failure, administer Gamunex-C at the minimum concentration available and the minimum infusion rate practicable.

Gamunex-C is contraindicated in individuals with acute severe hypersensitivity reactions to Immune Globulin (Human). It is contraindicated in IgA deficient patients with antibodies against IgA and history of hypersensitivity.

Gamunex-C is not approved for subcutaneous use in patients with ITP or CIDP. Due to the potential risk of hematoma formation, Gamunex-C should not be administered subcutaneously in patients with ITP.

Hyperproteinemia, increased serum viscosity, and hyponatremia may occur in patients receiving IGIV therapy.

Thrombotic events have been reported in association with IGIV. Patients at risk for thrombotic events may include those with a history of atherosclerosis, multiple cardiovascular risk factors, advanced age, impaired cardiac output, coagulation disorders, prolonged periods of immobilization and/or known or suspected hyperviscosity.

There have been reports of noncardiogenic pulmonary edema [Transfusion-Related Lung Injury (TRALI)], hemolytic anemia, and aseptic meningitis in patients administered with IGIV.

The high dose regimen (1g/kg x 1-2 days) is not recommended for individuals with expanded fluid volumes or where fluid volume may be a concern.

Gamunex-C is made from human plasma. Because this product is made from human plasma, it may carry a risk of transmitting infectious agents, e.g., viruses, and, theoretically, the Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (CJD) agent.

After infusion of IgG, the transitory rise of the various passively transferred antibodies in the patient's blood may yield positive serological testing results, with the potential for misleading interpretation.

In clinical studies, the most common adverse reactions with Gamunex-C were headache, fever, chills, hypertension, rash, nausea, and asthenia (in CIDP); headache, cough, injection site reaction, nausea, pharyngitis, and urticaria with intravenous use (in PI) and infusion site reactions, headache, fatigue, arthralgia and pyrexia with subcutaneous use (in PI); and headache, vomiting, fever, nausea, back pain, and rash (in ITP).

The most serious adverse reactions in clinical studies were pulmonary embolism (PE) in one subject with a history of PE (in CIDP), an exacerbation of autoimmune pure red cell aplasia in one subject (in PI), and myocarditis in one subject that occurred 50 days post-study drug infusion and was not considered drug related (in ITP).

*IG=Immune globulin; †IV=Intravenous; ‡SC=Subcutaneous.

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Please see adjacent page for brief summary of GAMUNEX-C full Prescribing Information.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

These highlights do not include all the information needed to use GAMUNEX®-C safely and effectively. See full prescribing information for GAMUNEX-C.

GAMUNEX-C, [Immune Globulin Injection (Human) 10% Caprylate/Chromatography Purified]

Initial U.S. Approval: 2003

WARNING: ACUTE RENAL DYSFUNCTION and FAILURE

See full prescribing information
for complete boxed warning.

- Renal dysfunction, acute renal failure, osmotic nephrosis, and death may occur with immune globulin intravenous (IGIV) products in predisposed patients.
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- For patients at risk of renal dysfunction or failure, administer GAMUNEX-C at the minimum concentration available and the minimum infusion rate practicable.

INDICATIONS AND USAGE

GAMUNEX-C is an immune globulin injection (human) 10% liquid indicated for treatment of:

- Primary Humoral Immunodeficiency (PI)
- Idiopathic Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP)
- Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy (CIDP)

CONTRAINDICATIONS

- Anaphylactic or severe systemic reactions to human immunoglobulin
- IgA deficient patients with antibodies against IgA and a history of hypersensitivity

WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

- IgA deficient patients with antibodies against IgA are at greater risk of developing severe hypersensitivity and anaphylactic reactions. Have epinephrine available immediately to treat any acute severe hypersensitivity reactions.
- Monitor renal function, including blood urea nitrogen, serum creatinine, and urine output in patients at risk of developing acute renal failure.
- GAMUNEX-C is not approved for subcutaneous use in ITP patients. Due to a potential risk of hematoma formation, do not administer GAMUNEX-C subcutaneously in patients with ITP.
- Hyperproteinemia, with resultant changes in serum viscosity and electrolyte imbalances may occur in patients receiving IGIV therapy.

- Thrombotic events have occurred in patients receiving IGIV therapy. Monitor patients with known risk factors for thrombotic events; consider baseline assessment of blood viscosity for those at risk of hyperviscosity.
- Aseptic Meningitis Syndrome (AMS) has been reported with GAMUNEX-C and other IGIV treatments, especially with high doses or rapid infusion.
- Hemolytic anemia can develop subsequent to IGIV therapy due to enhanced RBC sequestration. Monitor patients for hemolysis and hemolytic anemia.
- Monitor patients for pulmonary adverse reactions (transfusion-related acute lung injury [TRALI]).
- Volume overload
- GAMUNEX-C is made from human plasma and may contain infectious agents, e.g., viruses and, theoretically, the Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease agent.
- Passive transfer of antibodies may confound serologic testing.

ADVERSE REACTIONS

- PI** – The most common adverse reactions ($\geq 5\%$) with intravenous use of GAMUNEX-C were headache, cough, injection site reaction, nausea, pharyngitis and urticaria. The most common adverse reactions ($\geq 5\%$) with subcutaneous use of GAMUNEX-C were infusion site reactions, headache, fatigue, arthralgia and pyrexia.
- ITP** – The most common adverse reactions during clinical trials (reported in $\geq 5\%$ of subjects) were headache, vomiting, fever, nausea, back pain and rash.
- CIDP** – The most common adverse reactions during clinical trials (reported in $\geq 5\%$ of subjects) were headache, fever, chills, hypertension, rash, nausea and asthenia.

To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact Talecris Biotherapeutics, Inc. at 1-800-520-2807 or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or www.fda.gov/medwatch.

DRUG INTERACTIONS

- The passive transfer of antibodies may transiently interfere with the response to live viral vaccines, such as measles, mumps and rubella. Passive transfer of antibodies may confound serologic testing.

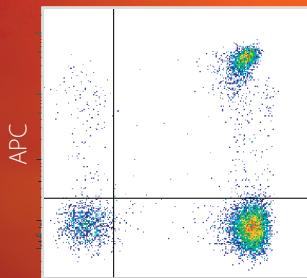
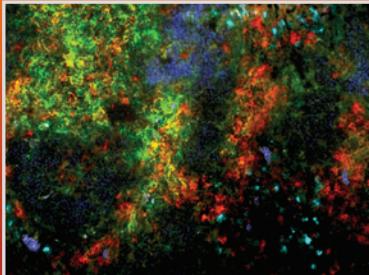
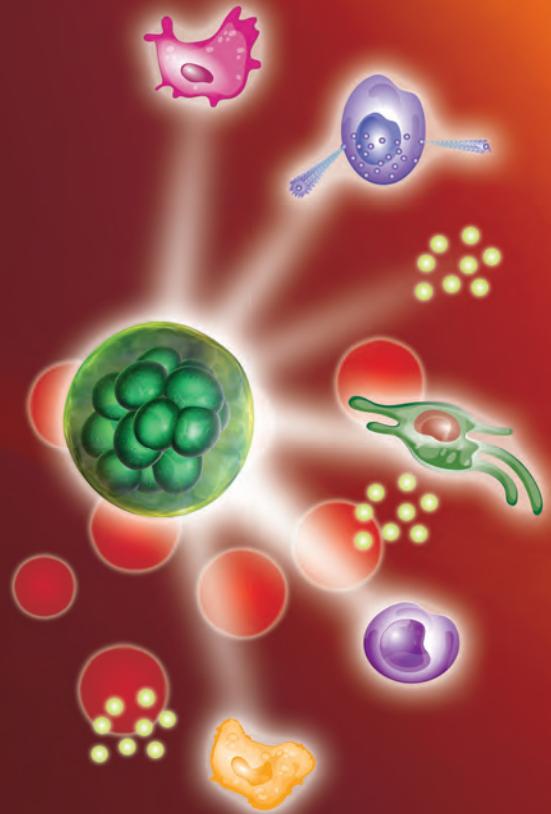
USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

- Pregnancy: no human or animal data. Use only if clearly needed.
- Geriatric: In patients over 65 years of age do not exceed the recommended dose, and infuse GAMUNEX-C at the minimum infusion rate practicable.

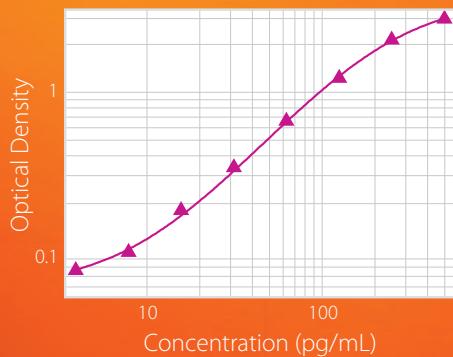


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What is the typical sensitivity and specificity of the VeriPlex™ multiplex ELISA Arrays?

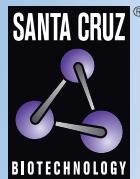
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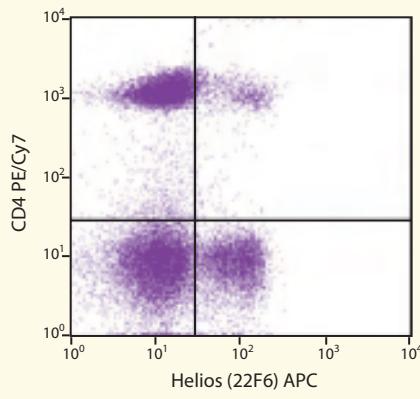
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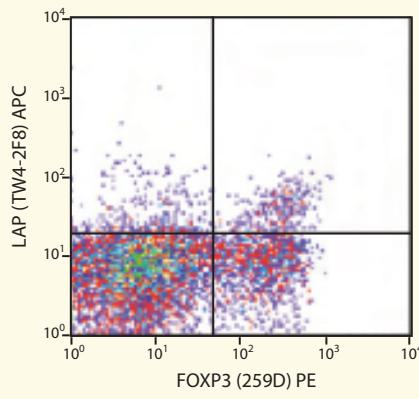
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