

Who should not take OVIDREL®?

OVIDREL is contraindicated in women who exhibit: Hypersensitivity to choriogonadotropin alpha or to any of the excipients, primary ovarian failure, uncontrolled thyroid or adrenal dysfunction, tumours of the hypothalamus and pituitary gland, abnormal uterine bleeding of undetermined origin, ovarian enlargement or cyst of unknown aetiology, ovarian, uterine or mammary cancer, or pregnancy.

What are the other important points to remember?

- Do not use OVIDREL after its expiry date.
- Do not freeze OVIDREL.
- Protect OVIDREL from light.
- You can safely store your OVIDREL at 25°C (room temperature) for up to 30 days, or in the refrigerator until the expiry date.
- Store the medicine out of the reach of children.

Where can I get help and find more information?



This complimentary & confidential phone service offers:

- General fertility information
- Support for patients who are taking EMD Serono fertility products.

Call Fertility LifeLines toll-free at 1-800-387-8479 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), Monday to Friday. Fertility LifeLines is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for urgent inquiries that cannot wait until the following business day. Simply leave your name, reason for calling, and your phone number, and a registered nurse will return your call in a timely manner. Fertility LifeLines is available in over 250 languages through the assistance of certified translators.

Fertility LifeLines will not comment on individual diagnosis or treatment questions, or laboratory results. You should discuss those with your healthcare provider.

Fertility LifeLines is a source of educational support sponsored by EMD Serono, Canada and is not intended to replace discussions with your healthcare provider.

For more information on Ovidrel® please refer to the package insert that came with your medication or the latest product monograph.

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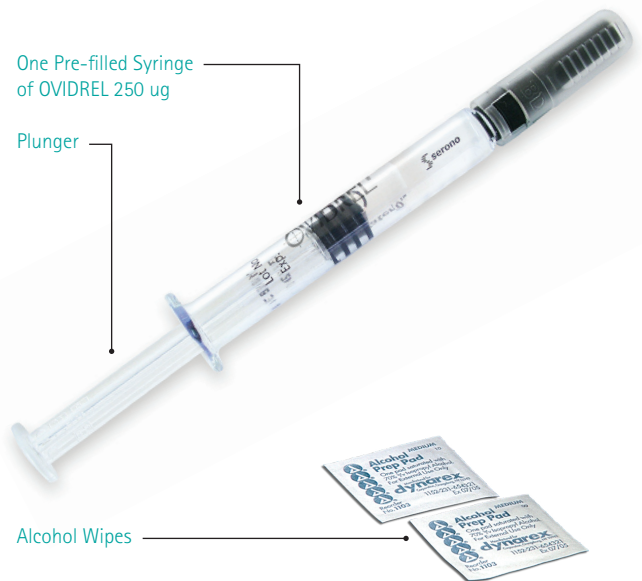


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OVIDREL®
(choriogonadotropin alfa injection)

ADMINISTRATION AND STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS

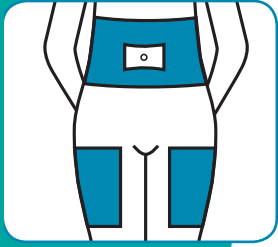


Administration REVIEW THESE STEPS BEFORE YOU ADMINISTER OVIDREL

Before you begin

- Lay out the above materials on a clean surface.
- Wash your hands well with soap and water.
- The OVIDREL needle should not touch any surface except alcohol-cleaned skin; keep it capped prior to use.





Step 1

Select the site of injection (e.g., top of thigh, tummy) using the injection site diagram to the left.



Step 2

Wipe the chosen area with an alcohol wipe, cleansing an area of approximately 5 cm x 5 cm. Lay the used side of the wipe next to your working surface or on the alcohol wipe wrapper.



Step 3

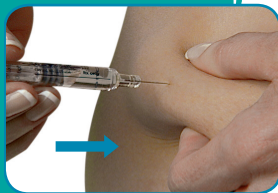
Pick up the syringe and remove the cap from the needle.



Step 4

Invert the needle and hold as if "throwing a dart".

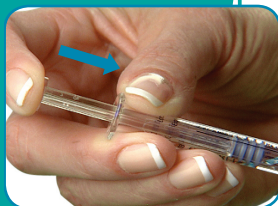
With your other hand, gently squeeze the skin together to make a little elevation at the injection site.



Step 5

Using a "dart like motion", insert the needle at a 90° angle.

IMPORTANT: To inject, you need very little force but quick action.



Step 6

Once the needle is inserted into the tissue all the way, inject the solution by pushing gently on the plunger.

Take as much time as you need to inject all the solution.

Step 7

Withdraw the needle and clean the site with the clean side of the alcohol swab using a circular motion. If there is minor oozing you may need to apply a small amount of pressure for a minute.

Once you have finished your injection, immediately discard the needles and syringe (without recapping the needle) into the disposal container. Take the container to a clinic or pharmacy for proper disposal.



Frequently Asked Questions

What is OVIDREL®?

OVIDREL (choriogonadotropin alpha) is used to trigger ovulation in infertile women with ovarian dysfunction.

How is OVIDREL® administered?

OVIDREL comes as a ready to use solution packaged in a pre-filled syringe.

Can I take OVIDREL® with other medications?

Please inform your doctor and pharmacist if you are taking or have taken any other medications, even those not requiring a prescription.

Who can take OVIDREL®?

OVIDREL is indicated for women following the stimulation phase of fertility treatment.

What are the side effects associated with the use of OVIDREL®?

As with other hCG preparations, side effects can occur with the use of OVIDREL: discomfort at the injection site, stomach pain, nausea, and vomiting have been reported. Ask your fertility team to discuss

the possible side effects with you. As with all medications, it is important to report any physical changes and all symptoms to your healthcare professional.

You should discuss the potential risk of multiple births with your doctor before beginning treatment. Finally, there is a risk of developing Ovarian Hyperstimulation Syndrome (OHSS) while on OVIDREL. OHSS occurs infrequently (usually less than 3% incidence). However, because OHSS can progress rapidly to a serious medical event, OVIDREL should be stopped at the first signs of OHSS. Contact your doctor if you experience severe pain or bloating in the stomach or pelvic area, severe upset stomach, vomiting, or weight gain.

What is hCG?

Human chorionic gonadotrophin, or hCG, is a hormone that is involved in reproduction in women. It is found in the urine of pregnant women and is produced by the placenta.