HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION
These highlights do not include all the information needed to use VPRIV safely and effectively. See full prescribing information for VPRIV.

VPRIV® (velaglucerase alfa for injection), for intravenous use
Initial U.S. Approval: 2010

RECENT MAJOR CHANGES
• Dosage and Administration (2.3) 4/2015
• Warnings and Precautions (5.1) 4/2015

INDICATIONS AND USAGE
VPRIV is a hydrolytic lysosomal glucocerebroside-specific enzyme indicated for long-term enzyme replacement therapy (ERT) for patients with type 1 Gaucher disease (1)

DOSE AND ADMINISTRATION
• Recommended Starting Dose in Adults and Pediatric Patients 4 Years of Age or Older:
  ❍ Patients Naïve to Enzyme Replacement Therapy: 60 Units/kg (2.1)
  ❍ Patients being treated with stable imiglucerase dosages for Gaucher disease: Can switch to VPRIV at previous imiglucerase dose two weeks after last imiglucerase dose (2.2).
• Determine number of vials to be reconstituted based on patient’s actual weight and prescribed dose (2.3)
• Supplied VPRIV lyophilized powder must be reconstituted with Sterile Water for Injection (2.3)
• Reconstituted VPRIV solution must be diluted in 100 mL of 0.9% sodium chloride solution prior to intravenous infusion (2.3)
• Administer the diluted VPRIV solution through an in-line low protein-binding 0.2µm filter (2.4)

DOSE FORMS AND STRENGTHS
• Lyophilized powder to be reconstituted and diluted for infusion (3).
• Available in 400 Units single-use vials (3).

CONTRAINDICATIONS
None (4)

WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS
Hypersensitivity Reactions Including Anaphylaxis:
• Hypersensitivity reactions including anaphylaxis have occurred. (5.1)
• Ensure that personnel administering product are adequately trained in cardiopulmonary resuscitative measures, and have ready access to emergency medical services (5.1)
• Consider slowing infusion rate, treatment with antihistamines, antipyretics and/or corticosteroids, and/or stopping treatment if a hypersensitivity reaction occurs during an infusion. Consider pre-treatment with antihistamines and/or corticosteroids in patients with prior reactions (5.1).

ADVERSE REACTIONS
Most common adverse reactions during clinical studies in ≥10% of patients were: hypersensitivity reactions, headache, dizziness, abdominal pain, nausea, back pain, joint pain, prolonged activated PTT, fatigue/asthenia, and pyrexia (6.1).

To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact Shire Human Genetic Therapies, Inc. at 1-866-888-0660, option 2 or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or www.fda.gov/medwatch

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FULL PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

1 INDICATIONS AND USAGE

VPRIV is indicated for long-term enzyme replacement therapy (ERT) for patients with type 1 Gaucher disease.

2 DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

2.1 Recommended Starting Dosage in Patients Naïve to Enzyme Replacement Therapy

VPRIV should be administered under the supervision of a healthcare professional. The recommended starting VPRIV dosage in naïve adults and naïve pediatric patients 4 years of age and older is 60 Units/kg administered every other week as a 60-minute intravenous infusion. The dosage can be adjusted based on achievement and maintenance of each patient’s therapeutic goals.

2.2 Switching from Imiglucerase to VPRIV

Adults and pediatric patients 4 years of age and older currently being treated on a stable dosage of imiglucerase for type 1 Gaucher disease may be switched to VPRIV by starting treatment with VPRIV at the previous imiglucerase dosage two weeks after the last imiglucerase dose. VPRIV should be administered under the supervision of a healthcare professional as a 60-minute intravenous infusion. The dosage can be adjusted based on achievement and maintenance of each patient’s therapeutic goals.

2.3 Reconstitution of the VPRIV Lyophilized Powder

VPRIV is a lyophilized powder, which requires reconstitution and dilution, using sterile technique, prior to intravenous infusion. VPRIV should be prepared as follows:

(a) Determine the number of vials to be reconstituted based on the individual patient’s weight and the prescribed dose.

(b) Inject 4.3 mL of Sterile Water for Injection, USP, into a vial containing VPRIV lyophilized powder.

(c) Mix gently. DO NOT SHAKE. The reconstituted VPRIV solution will have a 100 Units/mL concentration (400 Units VPRIV in 4 mL of solution).

(d) If additional vials are needed, repeat steps (b) and (c).

(e) Visually inspect the reconstituted VPRIV solution in the vials. The solution should be clear to slightly opalescent and colorless. Do not use if the solution is discolored or if foreign particulate matter is present.

(f) With a single syringe, withdraw the calculated dose of drug from the appropriate number of vials. Using a separate syringe, withdraw air from a bag of 100 mL of 0.9% sodium chloride solution suitable for intravenous administration. Then dilute the calculated dose of VPRIV directly into the sodium chloride solution. Mix gently. DO NOT SHAKE. Slight flocculation (described as white irregular shaped particles) may occasionally occur. Diluted solution with slight flocculation is acceptable for administration.

(g) Because VPRIV contains no preservatives, use the reconstituted VPRIV solution and the diluted VPRIV solution immediately. If immediate use is not possible, the reconstituted VPRIV solution or the diluted VPRIV solution may be stored for up to 24 hours at 2°C to 8°C (36°F to 46°F). Do not freeze and protect from light.

Complete the infusion within 24 hours of reconstitution of vials.

1 (h) Vials are for single use only. Discard any unused solution.

2.4 Important Administration Instructions

Administer the diluted VPRIV solution through an in-line low protein-binding 0.2µm filter over 60 minutes. Do not infuse VPRIV with other products in the same infusion tubing because the compatibility of a VPRIV solution with other products has not been evaluated.

2.5 Premedication to Reduce Risk of Subsequent Hypersensitivity Reactions

Consider pre-treatment with antihistamines and/or corticosteroids in patients who have exhibited symptoms of hypersensitivity to the active ingredient or excipients in the drug product or to other enzyme replacement therapy, pre-treatment with antihistamines and/or corticosteroids may prevent subsequent reactions.

3 DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS

VPRIV for injection: sterile, white to off-white, lyophilized powder (400 Units in single-use vials) for reconstitution with Sterile Water for Injection, USP, to yield a final concentration of 100 Units/mL.

4 CONTRAINDICATIONS

None.

5 WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

5.1 Hypersensitivity Reactions Including Anaphylaxis

Hypersensitivity reactions, including anaphylaxis, occurred in clinical studies and postmarketing experience. [see Adverse Reactions (6.1)]. Hypersensitivity reactions were the most commonly observed adverse reactions in patients treated with VPRIV in clinical studies. Patients were not routinely pre-medicated prior to infusion of VPRIV during clinical studies. The most commonly observed symptoms of hypersensitivity reactions were: headache, dizziness, hypotension, hypertension, nausea, fatigue/asthenia, and pyrexia/body temperature increased. Generally the reactions were mild and, in treatment-naïve patients, onset occurred mostly during the first 6 months of treatment and tended to occur less frequently with time. Additional hypersensitivity reactions of chest discomfort, dyspnea, and pruritus have been reported in post-marketing experience.

As with any intravenous protein product, hypersensitivity reactions are possible, therefore appropriate medical support including personnel adequately trained in cardiopulmonary resuscitative measures and access to emergency measures should be readily available when VPRIV is administered. If anaphylactic or other acute reactions occur, immediately discontinue the infusion of VPRIV and initiate appropriate medical treatment.

The management of hypersensitivity reactions should be based on the severity of the reaction, e.g., slowing the infusion rate, treatment with medications such as antihistamines, antipyretics and/or corticosteroids, and/or stopping and resuming treatment with increased infusion time. In some cases where patients have exhibited symptoms of hypersensitivity to the active ingredient or excipients in the drug product or to other enzyme replacement therapy, pre-treatment with antihistamines and/or corticosteroids may prevent subsequent reactions.

6 ADVERSE REACTIONS

6.1 Clinical Trials Experience

Because clinical trials are conducted under widely varying conditions, adverse reaction rates observed in the clinical trials of a drug cannot be directly compared to rates in the clinical trials of another drug and may not reflect the rates observed in practice.

The data described below reflect exposure of 94 patients with type 1 Gaucher disease who received VPRIV at doses ranging from 15 Units/kg to 60 Units/kg every other week in 5 clinical studies. Fifty-four (54) patients were naïve to enzyme replacement therapy (ERT) and received VPRIV for 9 months and 40 patients switched from imiglucerase to VPRIV treatment and received VPRIV for 12 months [see Clinical Studies (14)]. Patients were between 4 and 71 years old at time of first treatment with VPRIV, and included 46 male and 48 female patients.

The most serious adverse reactions in patients treated with VPRIV were hypersensitivity reactions [see Warnings and Precautions (5.1)]. The most commonly reported adverse reactions (occurring in ≥10% of patients) that were considered related to VPRIV are shown in Table 1. The most common adverse reactions were hypersensitivity reactions.

Table 1: Adverse Reactions Observed in ≥10% of Adult and Pediatric Patients with Type 1 Gaucher Disease Treated with VPRIV in the Pooled 5 Clinical Studies

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<th>Number of Patients (%)</th>
<th>N = 54</th>
<th>N = 40</th>
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<tr>
<td>Hypersensitivity reaction*</td>
<td>28 (52)</td>
<td>9 (23)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Headache</td>
<td>19 (35)</td>
<td>12 (30)</td>
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<td>Dizziness</td>
<td>12 (22)</td>
<td>3 (8)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pyrexia</td>
<td>12 (22)</td>
<td>5 (13)</td>
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<td>Abdominal pain</td>
<td>10 (19)</td>
<td>6 (15)</td>
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<td>Back pain</td>
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<td>7 (18)</td>
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<td>Joint pain (knee)</td>
<td>8 (15)</td>
<td>3 (8)</td>
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<td>Asthenia/Fatigue</td>
<td>8 (15)</td>
<td>5 (13)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Activated partial thromboplastin time prolonged</td>
<td>6 (11)</td>
<td>2 (5)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nausea</td>
<td>3 (6)</td>
<td>4 (10)</td>
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*Denotes any event considered related to and occurring within up to 24 hours of VPRIV infusion, including one case of anaphylaxis.

Less common adverse reactions occurring more than once in the treatment-naïve group and ≥3% in patients switched from imiglucerase to VPRIV treatment were bone pain, tachycardia, rash, urticaria, flushing, hypertension, and hypotension.
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Adverse Reactions in Pediatric Patients

The safety profile of VPRIV was similar between pediatric patients (ages 4 to 17) and adult patients. Adverse reactions more commonly seen in pediatric patients compared to adult patients include (>10% difference): rash, aPTT prolonged, and pyrexia.

6.2 Immunogenicity

As with all therapeutic proteins, there is a potential for immunogenicity. In clinical studies, 1 of 54 enzyme treatment-naive patients treated with VPRIV developed IgG class antibodies to VPRIV. In this patient, the antibodies were determined to be neutralizing in an in vitro assay. No hypersensitivity reactions were reported. It is unknown if the presence of IgG antibodies to VPRIV is associated with a higher risk of infusion reactions. Patients with an immune response to other enzyme replacement therapies who are switching to VPRIV should continue to be monitored for antibodies to VPRIV. Immunogenicity assay results are highly dependent on the sensitivity and specificity of the assay. Additionally, the observed incidence of antibody positivity in an assay may be influenced by several factors, including assay methodology, sample handling, timing of sample collection, concomitant medications, and underlying disease. For these reasons, comparison of the incidence of antibodies to VPRIV with the incidence of antibodies to other products may be misleading.

8 USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

8.1 Pregnancy

Pregnancy Category B

Risk Summary

There are no adequate and well controlled studies with VPRIV in pregnant women and there is limited experience in pregnant women. However, animal reproduction studies have been conducted for VPRIV. In these animal studies, no fetal harm was observed in rats or rabbits when velaglucerase alfa was administered intravenously during organogenesis at doses with exposures up to 1.8 times and 4.3 times greater than, respectively, the recommended human daily dose. Because animal reproduction studies are not always predictive of human response, VPRIV should be used during pregnancy only if clearly needed.

Clinical Considerations

Disease-Associated Maternal and Embryo/Fetal Risk

Women with Type 1 Gaucher disease have an increased risk of spontaneous abortion, especially if disease symptoms are not treated and controlled pre-conception and during pregnancy. Pregnancy may exacerbate existing Type 1 Gaucher disease symptoms or result in new disease manifestations. Type 1 Gaucher disease manifestations may lead to adverse pregnancy outcomes including hepatosplenomegaly which can interfere with the normal growth of a pregnancy, and thrombocytopenia which can lead to increased bleeding and possible hemorrhage.

Data

Animal Data

Reproduction studies with velaglucerase alfa have been performed in pregnant rats at intravenous doses up to 17 mg/kg/day (102 mg/m²/day, about 1.8 times greater than the recommended human dose of 60 Units/kg/day or 1.5 mg/kg/day or 55.5 mg/m²/day based on the body surface area). Reproduction studies have been performed in pregnant rabbits at intravenous doses up to 20 mg/kg/day (240 mg/m²/day, about 4.3 times the recommended human dose of 60 Units/kg/day based on the body surface area). These studies did not reveal any evidence of impaired fertility or harm to the fetus due to velaglucerase alfa.

A pre- and postnatal development study in rats showed no evidence of any adverse effect on pre- and postnatal development at doses up to 17 mg/kg/day (102 mg/m²/day, about 1.8 times greater than the recommended human dose of 60 Units/kg/day based on the body surface area).

8.3 Nursing Mothers

It is not known whether VPRIV is present in human milk. The developmental and health benefits of breastfeeding should be considered along with any potential adverse effects on the breastfed child from the drug or from the underlying maternal condition. Exercise caution when VPRIV is administered to a nursing woman.

8.4 Pediatric Use

The safety and effectiveness of VPRIV have been established for enzyme replacement therapy (ERT) in patients between 4 and 17 years of age with type 1 Gaucher disease. Use of VPRIV in this age group is supported by evidence from adequate and well-controlled studies of VPRIV in 74 adult patients and 20 pediatric patients. The safety and efficacy profiles were similar between pediatric and adult patients [see Adverse Reactions (6.1) and Clinical Studies (14)]. The efficacy and safety of VPRIV has not been established in pediatric patients younger than 4 years of age.

8.5 Geriatric Use

Clinical studies of VPRIV in Gaucher’s disease, a total of 56 VPRIV- treated patients were 65 years of age or older including 10 patients who were 75 years of age or older. Among 205 patients who switched from imiglucerase to VPRIV, 52 patients were 65 years of age or older of which 10 were 75 years and older. The adverse reaction profile in elderly patients was consistent with that previously observed across pediatric and adult patients. Other reported clinical experience has not identified differences in responses between the elderly and younger patients. In general, dose selection for an elderly patient should be approached cautiously, considering potential comorbid conditions.

11 DESCRIPTION

The active ingredient of VPRIV is velaglucerase alfa, which is produced by gene activation technology in a human fibroblast cell line. Velaglucerase alfa is a glycoprotein of 497 amino acids; with a molecular weight of approximately 63 kDa. Velaglucerase alfa has the same amino acid sequence as the naturally occurring human enzyme, glucocerebrosidase. Velaglucerase alfa contains 5 potential N-linked glycosylation sites; four of these sites are occupied by glycan chains. Velaglucerase alfa contains predominantly high mannose-type N-linked glycan chains. The high mannose-type N-linked glycan chains are specifically recognized and internalized via the mannose receptor present on the surface on macrophages, the cells that accumulate glucocerebroside in Gaucher disease. Velaglucerase alfa catalyzes the hydrolysis of the glycolipid glucocerebroside to glucose and ceramide in the lysosome.

VPRIV is a hydrolytic lysosomal glucocerebroside-specific enzyme. VPRIV is dosed by Units/kg, where one Unit of enzyme activity is defined as the quantity of enzyme required to convert one micromole of p-nitropheny1 β-D-glucopyranoside to p-nitrophenol per minute at 37°C.

VPRIV is supplied as a sterile, preservative free, lyophilized powder in single-use vials, each containing 400 Units, for intravenous use. Following reconstitution with Sterile Water for Injection, USP, the solution contains the components listed in Table 2.
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Based on the limited data, there were no notable pharmacokinetic differences between male and female patients in this study. The effect of age on pharmacokinetics of velaglucerase alfa was inconclusive. The effect of anti-drug antibody formation on the pharmacokinetic parameters of velaglucerase alfa is unknown.

13 NONCLINICAL TOXICOLOGY

13.1 Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility

Long-term studies in animals to evaluate carcinogenic potential or studies to evaluate mutagenic potential have not been performed with velaglucerase alfa. In a male and female fertility study in rats, velaglucerase alfa did not cause any significant adverse effect on male or female fertility parameters up to a maximum dose of 17 mg/kg/day (102 mg/m²/day, about 1.8 times the recommended human dose of 60 Units/kg/day based on the body surface area).

14 CLINICAL STUDIES

14.1 Overview of Clinical Studies of VPRIV for Gaucher Disease

The efficacy of VPRIV was assessed in three clinical trials in a total of 99 patients with type 1 Gaucher disease: 82 patients age 4 years and older received VPRIV and 17 patients age 3 years and older received imiglucerase. Studies I and II were conducted in patients who were not currently receiving Gaucher disease-specific therapy. Study III was conducted in patients who were receiving imiglucerase treatment immediately before starting VPRIV. The long-term safety of VPRIV was assessed in Study IV, an open-label extension trial of a total of 93 patients with type 1 Gaucher disease aged 3 years and older. Patients who had completed Studies I to III were eligible to participate in Study IV. In Studies I through IV, VPRIV was administered intravenously over 60 minutes at a maximum dose of 60 Units/kg every other week. Doses above 60 Units/kg were not studied in these trials.

14.2 Clinical Trials of VPRIV as Initial Therapy

Study I was a 12-month, randomized, double-blind, parallel-dose-group, multinational trial in 25 patients age 4 years and older with Gaucher disease-related anemia and either thrombocytopenia or organomegaly. Patients were not allowed to have had disease-specific therapy for at least the previous 30 months; all but one had no prior therapy. The mean age was 26 years and 60% were male. Patients were randomized to receive VPRIV at a dose of either 45 Units/kg (N=13) or 60 Units/kg (N=12) every other week. The recommended starting dose in naïve patients is 60 Units/kg. The 45 Units/kg dose is not recommended as a starting dose in naïve patients [see Dosage and Administration (2.1)].

At baseline, mean hemoglobin concentration was 10.6 g/dL, mean platelet count was 97 x 10^9/L, mean liver volume was 3.6 % of body weight (% BW), and mean spleen volume was 2.9 % BW.

For all studies, liver and spleen volumes were measured by MRI. The changes in clinical parameters after 12 months of treatment are shown in Table 3. The observed change from baseline in the primary endpoint, hemoglobin concentration, was considered to be clinically meaningful in the 60 Units/kg dose, in light of the natural history of untreated Gaucher disease.

**Table 3: Mean Change from Baseline to Month 12 for Clinical Parameters in Patients with Type 1 Gaucher Disease Initiating Therapy with VPRIV in Study I**

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<td>VPRIV Dose (given every other week)</td>
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<td>45 Units/kg</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hemoglobin concentration change (g/dL)</td>
<td>2.4 ± 0.4$^*$</td>
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<tr>
<td>Platelet count (x 10^9/L)</td>
<td>41 ± 14$^*$</td>
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<td>Liver volume change (% BW)</td>
<td>-0.30 ± 0.29</td>
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<td>Spleen volume change (% BW)</td>
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$^*$Statistically significant changes from baseline after adjusting for performing multiple tests

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In both studies, examination of age and gender subgroups did not identify differences in response to VPRIV among these subgroups. The number of non-Caucasian patients in these studies was too small to adequately assess any difference in effects by race.

In Study IV, treatment naïve patients were administered VPRIV. Treatment-naïve patients continued to show improvements in clinical parameters (hemoglobin concentration, platelet count, liver volume, and spleen volume) compared with baseline for up to 60 months of treatment with ERT.

14.3 Clinical Trial in Patients Switching from Imiglucerase Treatment to VPRIV

Study II was a 9-month, randomized, double-blind, active-controlled (imiglucerase), parallel-group, multinational study in 34 patients age 4 years and older. Patients were required to have Gaucher disease-related anemia and either thrombocytopenia or organomegaly. Patients were not allowed to have had disease-specific therapy for at least the previous 12 months. The mean age was 30 years and 53% were female; the youngest patient who received VPRIV was age 4 years. Patients were randomized to receive either 60 Units/kg of VPRIV (N=17) or 60 Units/kg of imiglucerase (N=17) every other week.

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