

PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

Prism0CAL[®]

Lactic acid 0.284 g/L, Magnesium chloride hexahydrate 0.108 g/L, Sodium bicarbonate 58.8 g/L,
and Sodium chloride 6.449 g/L solution.

Sterile solution for hemofiltration and hemodialysis

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Lactic acid solution 90% w/w, Magnesium chloride hexahydrate, Sodium bicarbonate, Sodium chloride

PART I: HEALTH PROFESSIONAL INFORMATION

SUMMARY PRODUCT INFORMATION

Route of Administration	Dosage Form / Strength	Clinically Relevant Nonmedicinal Ingredients
For intravenous infusion For hemodialysis	Sterile solution for hemofiltration and hemodialysis / Lactic acid 0.284 g/L, Magnesium chloride hexahydrate 0.108 g/L, sodium bicarbonate 58.8 g/L, and sodium chloride 6.449 g/L solution.	Not relevant All non medicinal ingredients are pharmacologically inactive. For a complete listing see Dosage Forms, Composition and Packaging section of the prescribing information document.

INDICATIONS AND CLINICAL USE

Prism0CAL:

- Is used in the treatment of acute renal failure, as replacement solution in hemofiltration and hemodiafiltration and as dialysis solution in hemodialysis or hemodiafiltration in Continuous Renal Replacement Therapy (CRRT).
- Is indicated in patients who have tendency to hyperkalaemia and/or hypercalcemia.
- May also be used in case of drug poisoning with dialysable or filterable substances.

The solution should be used only by, or under the direction of, a physician competent in renal failure treatments using hemofiltration, hemodiafiltration and hemodialysis in CRRT.

Geriatrics (> 65 years of age):

There are no adequate data for use in geriatric patients.

Pediatrics (< 16 years of age):

There are no adequate data for use in pediatric patients.

CONTRAINDICATIONS

Solution dependant contraindications

- Hypokalaemia
- Metabolic alkalosis
- Hypocalcaemia

Prism0CAL is contraindicated in patients with known hypersensitivity to the product.

WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS**General:**

Check that the solutions are clear and that all seals are intact before mixing. Use only if the overwrap and solution bag are undamaged. Use of a contaminated solution may cause sepsis and shock. Carefully follow the instructions for use.

The electrolyte solution **must** be mixed with the buffer solution **before use** to obtain the reconstituted solution suitable for hemofiltration / hemodiafiltration / hemodialysis in CRRT.

Do not administer the solution unless it is clear. Aseptic technique must be used during connection / disconnection of the line sets.

The product is not intended to be used with other renal replacement therapies, including conventional hemodialysis, sustained low-efficiency dialysis (SLED), extended daily dialysis (EDD), or prolonged intermittent renal replacement therapy (PIRRT).

The solution may be heated to no more than 37°C and this must be carefully controlled. After heating, verify that the solution remains clear and contains no particulate matter.

Prism0CAL is potassium-free and calcium-free and its use could result in hypocalcaemia and/or hypokalaemia. Close monitoring might be necessary. The serum potassium concentration must be monitored before and during hemofiltration and/or hemodialysis.

Because Prism0CAL contains no dextrose, administration of Prism0CAL may lead to Hypoglycemia. Blood glucose levels should be monitored regularly. If Hypoglycemia develops, use of a dextrose-containing solution should be considered. Other corrective measures may be necessary to maintain desired glycemic control.

PrismOCAL contains hydrogen carbonate (bicarbonate), and lactate (a bicarbonate precursor) which can influence the patient's acid–base balance. If metabolic alkalosis develops or worsens during therapy with PrismOCAL, the administration rate may need to be decreased, or the administration stopped.

The patient's hemodynamic status and fluid balance should be monitored throughout the procedure. In case of hypervolaemia, one possible cause is a discrepancy between the prescribed and actual rates of dialysate, replacement fluid and effluent. If such a discrepancy exists, the user should determine its cause. The net ultrafiltration rate prescribed for the CRRT devices can be increased and/or the rate of administration of solutions other than dialysate and/or replacement fluid can be reduced.

In case of hypovolaemia, one possible cause is a discrepancy between the prescribed and actual rates of dialysate, replacement fluid and effluent. If such a discrepancy exists, the user should determine its cause. The net ultrafiltration rate prescribed for the CRRT device can be reduced and/or the rate of administration of solutions other than dialysate and/or replacement can be increased.

Special Populations

Pregnant Women: There are no adequate data from the use of PrismOCAL in pregnant women. The prescribing health professional should carefully consider the potential risks and benefits for each specific patient before administering this solution to pregnant women. PrismOCAL may be considered during pregnancy if clearly needed.

Nursing Women: There are no adequate data from the use of PrismOCAL in lactating women. The prescribing health professional should carefully consider the potential risks and benefits for each specific patient before administering this solution to breast-feeding women.

Pediatrics (< 16 years of age): There are no adequate data for use in pediatric patients.

Geriatrics (> 65 years of age): There are no adequate data for use in geriatric patients.

Monitoring and Laboratory Tests

Hemodynamic status, fluid balance, electrolyte and acid-base balance should be closely monitored throughout the procedure.

As the solution is potassium free and calcium free, special attention should be given to potassium and calcium levels. A potassium and calcium supplement may be necessary.

The blood inorganic phosphate concentration should be monitored regularly. Inorganic phosphate must be substituted in cases of hypophosphataemia.

Assessment of buffer needs through repeated blood pH and blood bicarbonate measurements and review of the overall therapy is mandatory. A solution with higher hydrogen carbonate content

may be required, based on the patient's clinical condition, the CRRT prescription (including the flow rates of dialysate and/or replacement fluid), and the type of anticoagulation prescribed. Frequent monitoring of blood electrolytes, acid-base parameters, and ionized calcium is especially important when Regional Citrate Anticoagulation (RCA) is prescribed.

In case of metabolic alkalosis, the alkali content of other fluids being administered to the patient (including those prescribed as part of the CRRT procedure) should be evaluated. Buffer load provided as a part of RCA is especially important to assess.

In case of fluid imbalance (example: cardiac failure, head trauma...), the clinical situation must be carefully monitored and balancing must be restored.

ADVERSE REACTIONS

Adverse Drug Reaction Overview

Adverse drug reactions can result from the solution used or the treatment.

Bicarbonate-buffered hemofiltration and hemodialysis solutions are generally well tolerated. However, the following adverse drug reactions are conceivable:

Hyper- or hypovolemia, electrolyte disturbances, hypophosphataemia, metabolic alkalosis.

Some adverse reactions related to the dialysis treatments (hemodialysis, hemofiltration and hemodiafiltration) can occur, such as nausea, vomiting, and muscle cramps.

Other adverse reactions reported with similar products include

- Hypotension
- Acid–base balance disorders
- Electrolyte imbalance
- Fluid imbalance

Clinical Trial Adverse Drug Reactions

Not applicable

Less Common Clinical Trial Adverse Drug Reactions (<1%)

Not applicable

Abnormal Hematologic and Clinical Chemistry Findings

Not applicable

Post-Market Adverse Drug Reactions

Similar solutions as Prism0CAL are registered in some Asiatic countries and in USA. No adverse drug reactions have been reported.

DRUG INTERACTIONS

Overview

The blood concentration of filterable/dialysable drugs may be reduced during treatment due to their removal by the extracorporeal filter. Corresponding corrective therapy should be instituted if necessary to establish the desired blood concentrations for drugs removed during treatment. Interactions with other medications can be avoided by correct dosage of the solution for hemofiltration and hemodialysis and precise monitoring.

It is the responsibility of the physician to consider the compatibility of any medication that is to be mixed with the Prism0CAL solution, by checking for colour change and precipitation of insoluble complexes or crystals. The Instructions for Use of the medication to be added must be consulted.

The compatible medication must be added to the reconstituted solution and the solution must be administered immediately.

Medication should only be added under the direction of a physician in the following way: Remove any fluid from injection port, hold the bag upside down, insert the drug through the injection port and mix thoroughly. When introducing additives, use aseptic techniques. **The solution must be administered immediately.**

Drug-Drug Interactions

Interactions with other drugs have not been established.

However, the following interactions are conceivable:

- The risk of digitalis-induced cardiac arrhythmia is increased during hypokalaemia;
- Additional sodium bicarbonate [or buffer source] contained in the CRRT fluids or in other fluids administered during therapy may increase the risk of metabolic alkalosis.
- When citrate is used as an anticoagulant, it contributes to the overall buffer load and can reduce plasma calcium levels.

Drug-Food Interactions

Interactions with food have not been established.

Drug-Herb Interactions

Interactions with herbal products have not been established.

Drug-Laboratory Interactions

Interactions with laboratory tests have not been established.

Drug-Lifestyle Interactions

Not relevant

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

Dosing Considerations

The rate at which Prism0CAL is administered depends on the blood concentration of electrolytes, acid-base balance, fluid balance and overall clinical condition of the patient. The volume of replacement solution and/or dialysate to be administered will also depend on the desired intensity (dose) of the treatment. The solution should be prescribed and administration (dose, infusion rate and cumulative volume) should be established only by a physician experienced in critical care medicine and CRRT.

Phosphate up to 1.2 mmol/L may be added to Prism0CAL. If potassium phosphate is added, the total potassium concentration should not exceed 4 mEq/L (4 mmol/L).

Recommended Dose and Dosage Adjustment

The approximate range of commonly used flow rates for the replacement solution in hemofiltration and hemodiafiltration are:

Adult:	500 - 3000 mL/h
Children (including adolescents to 18 years):	1000 - 4000 mL/h/1.73 m ²

The approximate range of commonly used flow rates for the dialysis solution (dialysate) in continuous hemodialysis and continuous hemodiafiltration are:

Adults:	500 - 2500 mL/h
Children (including adolescents to 18 years):	1000 - 4000 mL/h/1.73 m ²

Commonly used flow rates in adults are approximately 2000 to 2500 mL/h which correspond to a daily fluid volume of approximately 48 to 60 L. Prism0CAL has an osmolarity of 282 mOsmol/L.

Missed Dose

Not relevant, since Prism0CAL is administered continuously.

Administration

Intravenous use for hemofiltration (and part of hemodiafiltration) and dialysis transmembrane use for hemodialysis.

Prism0CAL is used as a replacement solution and/or dialysate. Prism0CAL, when used as replacement solution, is administered into the extra-corporeal circuit before (pre-dilution) or after (post-dilution) the hemofilter

Prism0CAL, when used as a dialysis fluid (dialysate), is administered in the dialysate compartment of the filter separated from the blood flow by a semipermeable membrane.

Use only with appropriate extracorporeal renal replacement equipment. Prism0CAL may be warmed to 37 °C (98.6 °F) to enhance patient comfort. Warming of Prism0CAL prior to use should be done before reconstitution with dry heat only (e.g., heating pad, warming plate). Solutions should not be heated in water or in a microwave oven due to the potential for patient injury or discomfort.

Prism0CAL should be inspected visually for particulate matter and discoloration prior to administration, whenever solution and container permit. Do not administer unless the solution is clear and the seal is intact.

Reconstitution:

The solution in the small compartment A is added to the solution in the large compartment B after breaking the frangible pin or peel seal immediately before use to obtain the reconstituted solution.

INSTRUCTION FOR USE:

Aseptic technique should be used throughout the handling and administration to the patient. Use only if the overwrap is not damaged, all seals are intact, frangible pin or peel seal is not broken, and the solution is clear. Press bag firmly to test for any leakage. If leakage is discovered, discard the solution immediately since sterility can no longer be assured.

Do not remove unit from over wrap until ready for use.

The reconstituted solution should be used immediately (not to exceed 24 hours)

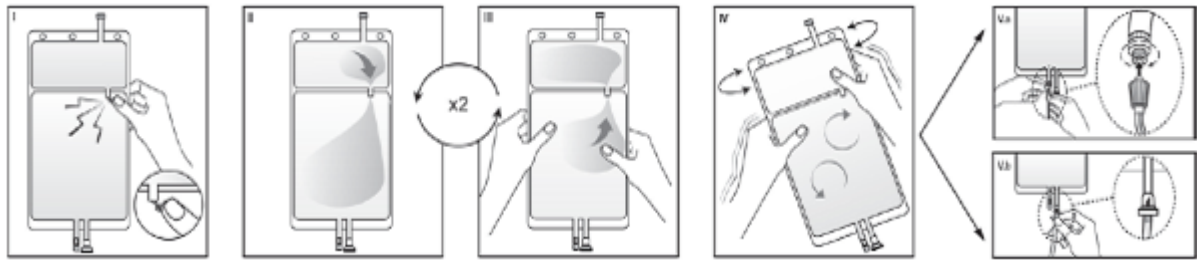
The reconstituted solution is for single use only.

Discard any unused portion.

If a frangible pin separates the two compartments of the bag the following instructions for use should be followed

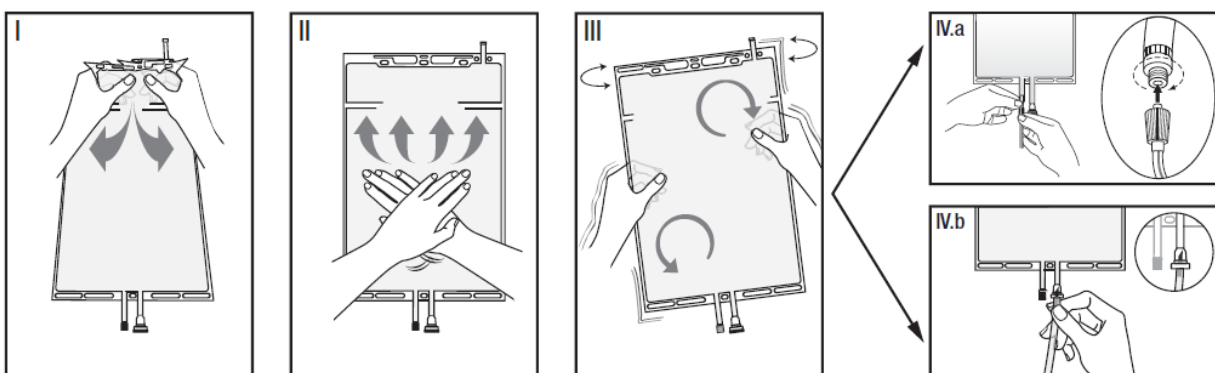
- I** Remove the over wrap from the bag and the sheet between the folded compartments immediately before use. Open the seal by breaking the frangible pin between the two compartments of the bag. The frangible pin will remain in the bag.
- II** Make sure all the fluid from the small compartment A is transferred into the large compartment B.
- III** Rinse the small compartment A **twice** by pressing the mixed solution back into the small compartment A and then back into the large compartment B.
- IV** When the small compartment A is empty: shake the large compartment B so that contents mix completely. The solution is now ready for use and can be hung on the equipment. The bag should hang in all three hanging holes when used. The dialysis or replacement line may be connected to the luer access or the injection port.
- Va** If the luer access is used, using aseptic technique, remove the cap with a twist and pull motion and connect the male luer lock on the dialysis or replacement line to the female luer receptor on the bag using a push and twist motion. Ensure that the connection is fully seated and tighten. The connector is now open. Verify that the fluid is flowing freely. (See figure V.a below). When the dialysis or replacement line is disconnected from the luer connector, the connector will close and the flow of the solution will stop. The luer port is a needle-less and swabbable port.

Vb If the injection port is used, first remove the snap-off cap. Then introduce the spike through the rubber septum. Verify that the fluid is flowing freely. (See figure V.b below)



If a peel seal separates the two compartments of the bag the following instructions for use should be followed:

- I** Remove the overwrap from the bag immediately before use and discard any other packaging materials. Open the seal by holding the small compartment with both hands and squeeze it until an opening is created in the peel seal between the two compartments. (See figure I below)
- II** Push with both hands on the large compartment until the peel seal between the two compartments is entirely open. (See figure II below)
- III** Secure complete mixing of the solution by shaking the bag gently. The solution is now ready for use, and can be hung on the equipment. (See figure III below)
- IV** The dialysis or replacement line may be connected to the luer access or the injection port.
- IVa** If the luer access is used, using aseptic technique, remove the cap with a twist and pull motion and connect the male luer lock on the dialysis or replacement line to the female luer receptor on the bag using a push and twist motion. Ensure that the connection is fully seated and tighten. The connector is now open. Verify that the fluid is flowing freely. (See figure IV.a below). When the dialysis or replacement line is disconnected from the luer connector, the connector will close and the flow of the solution will stop. The luer port is a needle-less and swabbable port.
- IVb** If the injection port is used, first remove the snap-off cap. Then introduce the spike through the rubber septum. Verify that the fluid is flowing freely. (See figure IV.b below)



Adding substance or medication to the solution:

The large compartment is fitted with an injection port (spike connector) for the possible addition of other necessary drugs after reconstitution of the solution. Additives may be incompatible. The instructions for use of the medication to be added and other relevant literature must be consulted. After addition, if there is a color change and/or the appearance of precipitates, insoluble complexes, or crystals, do not use.

Before adding a substance or medication, verify that it is soluble and stable in Prism0CAL solution and that the pH range of Prism0CAL is appropriate (pH of the reconstituted solution is 7.0 to 8.5).

Drugs should only be added to the solution under the responsibility of a health professional in the following way: Remove any fluid from the injection port, hold the bag upside down, insert the drug through the injection port. Mix the solution thoroughly when additives have been introduced. The solution must be administered immediately.

OVERDOSAGE**Symptoms of overdose**

Overdose of Prism0CAL can lead to severe clinical conditions, such as fluid overload (including congestive heart failure), electrolyte disturbances (including hypokalaemia and hypocalcaemia), or acid-base disturbances.

Electrolyte imbalance and acid–base balance abnormalities (e.g., metabolic alkalosis, Hypophosphatemia, Hypokalemia, etc.) may occur in the event of an overdose. Stop administration promptly. There is no specific antidote for overdose. The risk can be minimized by close monitoring during treatment.

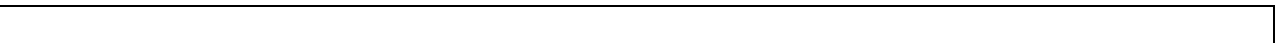
Treatment of overdose

- Electrolyte disturbances

In case of either hypokalaemia or hypocalcaemia, the flow rate of Prism0CAL may need to be reduced or electrolyte administration rate may need to be increased from other sources, such as another CRRT therapeutic fluid (dialysate or replacement fluid) or a solution not part of the CRRT prescription.

- Acid-base disturbances

In case of metabolic acidosis, the overall rate of net alkali administration needs to be increased. The alkali content of all fluids being administered to the patient (including those prescribed as part of the CRRT procedure) should be evaluated. If RCA is part of the CRRT prescription, it is important to assess the clinical factors potentially influencing citrate metabolism (especially liver function).



For management of suspected overdose, please contact the regional poison centre.

ACTION AND CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

Mechanism of Action

Prism0CAL is pharmacologically inactive. The sodium, magnesium and chloride ions are present at concentrations similar to physiological levels in plasma.

The solutions are used to replace water and electrolytes removed during hemofiltration and hemodiafiltration or to serve as a suitable exchange medium for use during hemodiafiltration or hemodialysis in CRRT.

Bicarbonate is used as an alkalising buffer.

Pharmacodynamics

No factor affects the pharmacodynamic response.

Pharmacokinetics

Not relevant, since the drug substances are pharmacologically inactive and are present at concentrations similar to physiological levels in plasma.

Special Populations and Conditions

Not relevant, since the pharmacokinetics are not modified with specific population and conditions.

STORAGE AND STABILITY

Store between +4°C and +30°C. Do not refrigerate. Protect from freezing.

Prism0CAL is for single use only. Any unused solution must be discarded.

Chemical and physical in-use stability of the reconstituted solutions has been demonstrated for 24 hours at +22°C. If not used immediately in-use storage times and conditions prior to use are the responsibility of the user and should not be longer than 24 hours including the duration of the treatment.

Others

Keep in a safe place out of the reach and sight of children.

DOSAGE FORMS, COMPOSITION AND PACKAGING

The container made in Poly(vinyl chloride) (PVC) or polyolefin (polypropylene based, multilayer laminates) materials is a two-compartment bag. A peel seal or frangible pin separates the two compartments.

The large compartment B is fitted with an injection port for drug's admixture after reconstitution of the solution, as well as a luer connector for the connection of the bag with a suitable replacement fluid / dialysate line.

The bag is overwrapped with a transparent outer packaging made of multilayer copolymers.

The 5000 mL bag is composed of a small compartment (250 mL) and a large compartment bag (4750 mL). The solutions are sterile.

Each two compartment bag contains 5000 mL.

Pack size: 2 x 5000 mL in a box

Composition of Prism0CAL before reconstitution

BEFORE RECONSTITUTION	Prism0CAL
Small compartment A (250 mL)	
Sodium bicarbonate	58.8 g/L
Water for injections	to 1000 mL
Carbon dioxide	pH adjuster
Large compartment B (4,750 ml)	
Sodium chloride	6.449 g/L
(S) - Lactic acid	0.284 g/L
(as lactic acid solution 90% w/w)	0.315 g/L
Magnesium chloride, hexahydrate	0.108 g/L
Water for injections	To 1000 mL

Composition of Prism0CAL after reconstitution

AFTER RECONSTITUTION		Prism0CAL	
		mmol/L	mEq/L
Magnesium	Mg ²⁺	0.5	1.0
Sodium	Na ⁺	140	140
Chloride	Cl ⁻	106	106
Lactate		3.0	3.0
Bicarbonate	HCO ₃ ⁻	32	32

Theoretical osmolarity: 282 mOsm/L.

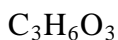
PART II: SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION

PHARMACEUTICAL INFORMATION

Drug Substance 1

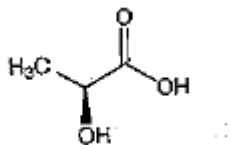
Proper name: Lactic Acid Solution 90% w/w
Chemical name: Lactic Acid Solution 90% w/w

Molecular formula and molecular mass:



M_r : 90.078 g/mol

Structural formula:



Physicochemical properties:

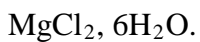
Appearance: Lactic Acid Solution 90% w/w is colourless or slightly yellow, syrupy liquid.

Solubility: Miscible with water and with ethanol (96 per cent).

Drug Substance 2

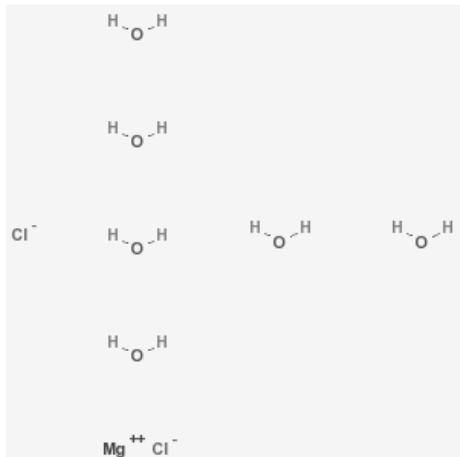
Proper name: Magnesium Chloride Hexahydrate
Chemical name: Magnesium Chloride Hexahydrate

Molecular formula and molecular mass:



M_r : 203.3 g/mol

Structural formula:



Physicochemical properties:

Appearance: Magnesium Chloride Hexahydrate is a colourless crystal.

Solubility: Magnesium Chloride Hexahydrate is freely soluble in water, freely soluble in alcohol.

Drug Substance 3

Proper name: Sodium Bicarbonate

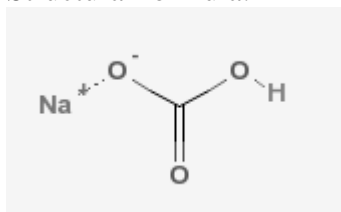
Chemical name: Sodium Bicarbonate

Molecular formula and molecular mass:

NaHCO₃.

M_r: 84.0 g/mol

Structural formula:



Physicochemical properties:

Appearance: Sodium Bicarbonate is a white crystalline powder.

Solubility: Sodium Bicarbonate is soluble in water, practically insoluble in alcohol.

Other Properties: When heated in the dry state or in solution it gradually changes into sodium carbonate.

Drug Substance 4

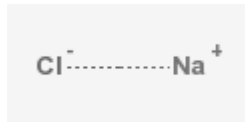
Proper name: Sodium Chloride
Chemical name: Sodium Chloride

Molecular formula and molecular mass:

NaCl.

M_r : 58.44 g/mol

Structural formula:



Physicochemical properties:

Appearance: Sodium Chloride is a white crystalline powder or is presented as colourless crystals or white pearls.

Solubility: Sodium Chloride is freely soluble in water, and practically insoluble in ethanol.

CLINICAL TRIALS

Since Prism0CAL is based on concentrations of electrolytes already in use in the treatment of Acute Renal Failure (ARF) in Continuous Renal Replacement Therapy (CRRT), application has therefore been supported by a review of published literature. There was no specific clinical trial initiated by the applicant for the development of the formulation of this solution.

DETAILED PHARMACOLOGY

Pharmacological studies with Prism0CAL have not been performed. The omission of preclinical studies is justified by the clinical experience with solutions with similar composition as Prism0CAL, used for hemodialysis, hemofiltration and hemodiafiltration.

MICROBIOLOGY

Not applicable

TOXICOLOGY

Toxicological studies with Prism0CAL have not been performed. The omission of preclinical studies is justified by the clinical experience with solutions with similar composition as Prism0CAL, used for hemodialysis, hemofiltration and hemodiafiltration.

PART III: PATIENT MEDICATION INFORMATION

Prism0CAL®

(Lactic acid solution 90% w/w, Magnesium chloride hexahydrate, Sodium bicarbonate, Sodium chloride solution for hemodialysis, hemofiltration and hemodiafiltration)

Read this carefully before you are administered Prism0CAL. This leaflet is a summary and will not tell you everything about Prism0CAL. Talk to your doctor, nurse, or pharmacist about your medical condition and treatment and ask if there is any new information about Prism0CAL.

ABOUT THIS MEDICATION

What the medication is used for:

Prism0CAL is used in adults:

- in the treatment of acute kidney disease
 - as replacement solution for fluid lost from the blood during hemofiltration or hemodiafiltration
 - as a dialysis solution in hemodialysis or hemodiafiltration in Continuous Renal Replacement Therapy (CRRT).
- for patients suffering from high potassium and/or calcium level in your blood (hyperkalaemic and/or hypercalcaemic).
- in case of drug poisoning with substances that can be removed by dialysis or hemofiltration

Prism0CAL should only be used under the direction of a healthcare professional competent in the treatment of acute kidney failure using hemofiltration, hemodiafiltration and hemodialysis in CRRT in a hospital setting.

What it does:

Prism0CAL is a solution used to replace water and electrolytes removed during hemofiltration, hemodiafiltration and hemodialysis in Continuous Renal Replacement Therapy.

When it should not be used:

Prism0CAL should not be used in the following cases:

- Hypokalaemia (a low concentration of potassium in your blood)
- Hypocalcaemia (a low concentration of calcium in your blood)
- Metabolic alkalosis (a process that primarily raises the plasma bicarbonate concentration)
- Hypersensitivity to Prism0CAL

Hemofiltration/ dialysis should not be used in the following cases:

- Kidney failure with pronounced hypercatabolism (abnormally increased destructive breakdown of complex substances on the body), if the uraemic symptoms (symptoms caused by high concentration of urea in your blood) cannot be corrected with

- hemofiltration,
- Insufficient arterial (blood) pressure in the vascular access (catheter area),
- Systemic anticoagulation (reduced clotting of your blood), if there is a high risk of hemorrhage (bleeding).

What the medicinal ingredients are:

Lactic acid solution 90% w/w, Magnesium chloride hexahydrate, Sodium bicarbonate, Sodium chloride.

What the nonmedicinal ingredients are:

Carbon dioxide
Water for Injections

What dosage forms it comes in:

Solution for hemodialysis, hemofiltration and hemodiafiltration

WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

The solution should be used only by, or under the direction of a physician competent in renal failure treatments using hemofiltration, hemodiafiltration and hemodialysis.

Before and during treatment, your blood condition will be checked, e.g. your acid-base balance and concentrations of salts in the blood (electrolytes) and sugar levels (glucose)

Tell your doctor if you are pregnant, planning to become pregnant or nursing.

The product will be checked to ensure that all seals are intact and the reconstituted solution is clear and free of precipitate.

There is no adequate data for the use of Prism0CAL in patients less than 16 years of age or over the age of 65

INTERACTIONS WITH THIS MEDICATION

As with most medicines, interactions with other drugs are possible. Tell your doctor, nurse, or pharmacist about all the medicines you take, including drugs prescribed by other doctors, vitamins, minerals, natural supplements, or alternative medicines. The blood concentration of some of your other medicines may be reduced during the treatment. Your doctor will decide if your medication should be changed.

In particular tell your doctor if you are taking:

- Digitalis. The risk of digitalis (medicine for treatment of certain heart conditions)-induced cardiac arrhythmia (irregular or rapid beating of the heart) is increased during hypokalaemia (low concentration of potassium in your blood).
- Additional sodium bicarbonate [or buffer source] contained in the CRRT fluids or in other fluids administered during therapy may increase the risk of metabolic alkalosis (a process that primarily raises the plasma bicarbonate concentration).

- When citrate is used as an anticoagulant, it contributes to the overall buffer load and can reduce plasma calcium levels.

PROPER USE OF THIS MEDICATION

Usual dose:

Prism0CAL is used as a replacement solution and/or dialysate. The rate at which Prism0CAL is administered depends on the blood concentration of electrolytes, acid-base balance, fluid balance and overall clinical condition of the patient. The volume of Prism0CAL replacement solution and/or dialysate to be administered will also depend on desired intensity (dose) of the treatment. The solution should be prescribed and administration (dose, infusion rate and cumulative volume) should be established only by a physician experienced in critical care medicine and CRRT.

Overdose:

Your fluid balance, electrolyte and acid-base balance will be carefully monitored.

Overdose could lead to severe consequences, such as congestive heart failure, electrolyte or acid-base disturbances. Continuation of CRRT allows for removal of excess fluid and correction of electrolyte abnormalities.

In case of drug overdose, contact a health care practitioner, hospital emergency department or regional Poison Control Centre immediately, even if there are no symptoms.

Reconstitution:

Prism0CAL will be checked before use to ensure that all seals are intact and the reconstituted solution is clear and free of precipitate

The solution in the small compartment A is added to the solution in the large compartment B after breaking the frangible pin or peel seal immediately before use to obtain the reconstituted solution.

INSTRUCTION FOR USE:

Aseptic technique should be used throughout the handling and administration to the patient:

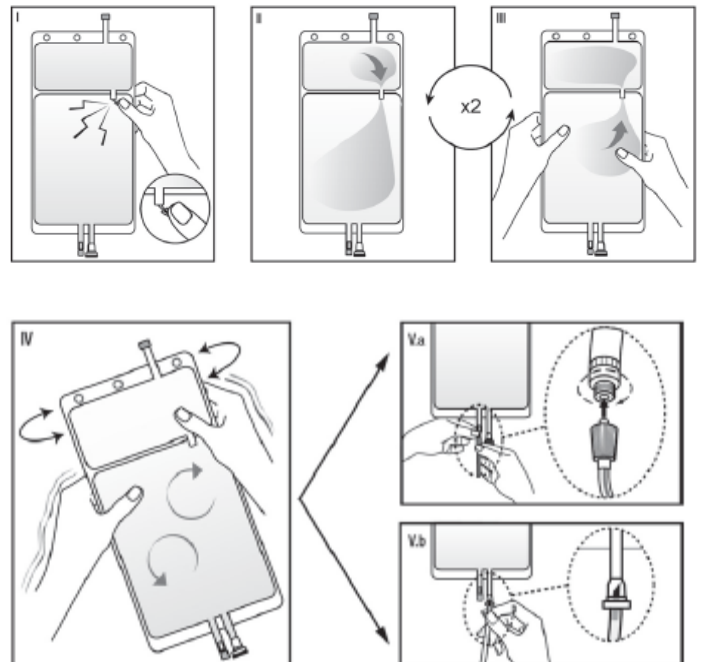
Use only if the overwrap is not damaged, all seals are intact, frangible pin or peel seal is not broken and, the solution is clear. Press bag firmly to test for any leakage. If leakage is discovered, discard the solution immediately since sterility can no longer be assured. Do not remove unit from over wrap until ready for use. The reconstituted solution is for single use only and should be used immediately (not to exceed 24 hours). Discard any unused portion.

If a frangible pin separates the two compartments of the bag the following instructions for use should be followed:

- I Remove the over wrap from the bag and the sheet between the folded compartments immediately before

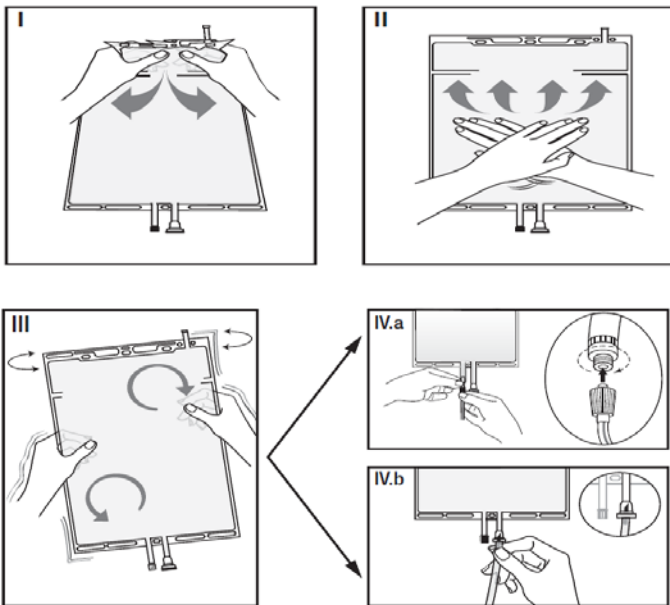
use and discard any other packaging materials. Open the seal by breaking the frangible pin between the two compartments of the bag. The frangible pin will remain in the bag.

- II Make sure all the fluid from the small compartment A is transferred into the large compartment B.
- III Rinse the small compartment A twice by pressing the mixed solution back into the small compartment A and then back into the large compartment B.
- IV When the small compartment A is empty: shake the large compartment B so that contents mix completely. The solution is now ready for use and can be hung on the equipment. The bag should hang in all three hanging holes when used. The dialysis or replacement line may be connected to the luer access or the injection port.
- V.a If the luer access is used, using aseptic technique, remove the cap with a twist and pull motion and connect the male luer lock on the dialysis or replacement line to the female luer receptor on the bag: tighten using a push and twist motion. Ensure that the connection is fully seated and tighten. The connector is now open. Verify that the fluid is flowing freely. (See figure V.a below). When the dialysis or replacement line is disconnected from the luer connector, the connector will close and the flow of the solution will stop. The luer port is a needle-less and swabbable port.
- V.b If the injection port is used, first remove the snap-off cap. Then introduce the spike through the rubber septum. Verify that the fluid is flowing freely. (See figure V.b below)



If a peel seal separates the two compartments of the bag the following instructions for use should be followed:

- I Remove the overwrap from the bag immediately before use and discard any other packaging materials. Open the seal by holding the small compartment with both hands and squeeze it until an opening is created in the peel seal between the two compartments. (See figure I below)
- II Push with both hands on the large compartment until the peel seal between the two compartments is entirely open. (See figure II below)
- III Secure complete mixing of the solution by shaking the bag gently. The solution is now ready for use, and can be hung on the equipment. (See figure III below)
- IV The dialysis or replacement line may be connected to the luer access or the injection port.
- IVa If the luer access is used, using aseptic technique, remove the cap with a twist and pull motion and connect the male luer lock on the dialysis or replacement line to the female luer receptor on the bag using a push and twist motion. Ensure that the connection is fully seated and tighten. The connector is now open. Verify that the the fluid is flowing freely. (See figure IV.a below). When the dialysis or replacement line is disconnected from the luer connector, the connector will close and the flow of the solution will stop. The luer port is a needle-less and swabbable port.
- IVb If the injection port is used, first remove the snap-off cap. Then introduce the spike through the rubber septum. Verify that the fluid is flowing freely. (See figure IV.b below)



Side effects may include:

- nausea, vomiting
- muscle cramps
- hypotension
- acid–base balance disorders
- fluid imbalance

If any of these affects you severely, tell your doctor, nurse or pharmacist.

SERIOUS SIDE EFFECTS, HOW OFTEN THEY HAPPEN AND WHAT TO DO ABOUT THEM

Symptom / effect	Talk with your doctor, nurse or pharmacist		Seek immediate medical help
	Only if severe	In all cases	
Low Blood Pressure: dizziness, fainting, lightheadedness May occur when you go from lying or sitting to standing up.	√		
Electrolyte Imbalance: weakness, drowsiness, muscle pain or cramps, irregular heartbeat		√	
Abnormally high volume of water in your body: swelling in the hands, ankles, feet or stomach, shortness of breath especially when lying down, fast heartbeat			√
Abnormally low volume of water in your body: dry mouth, cold, clammy and pale skin, rapid breathing and heartbeat, weakness, decreased or absent urine output, sweating, confusion, unconsciousness			√
Low levels of phosphate in your blood: muscle cramps, numbness and tingling around the mouth, shortness of breath, nausea, vomiting, trouble sleeping		√	

SIDE EFFECTS AND WHAT TO DO ABOUT THEM

Metabolic alkalosis: rapid breathing and heartbeat, headache, confusion, weakness, nausea, vomiting		√	
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This is not a complete list of side effects. For any unexpected effects while taking Prism0CAL, contact your doctor, nurse, or pharmacist.

HOW TO STORE IT

Keep out of the reach and sight of children

Store between +4°C and +30°C. Do not refrigerate. Protect from freezing

Chemical and physical in-use stability of the reconstituted solution has been demonstrated for 24 hours at 22° C. The solution may be heated to no more than +37°C to enhance patient comfort. Warming of Prism0CAL prior to use should be done before reconstitution with dry heat only (e.g., heating pad, warming plate). Solutions should not be heated in water or in a microwave oven due to the potential for patient injury or discomfort. After heating, verify that the solution is clear and without particles.

Use immediately after mixing, or before the in-use storage directions above have expired, then discards the remaining solution.

Do not use after the expired date printed on the label and the packaging.

REPORTING SIDE EFFECTS

You can help improve the safe use of health products for Canadians by reporting serious and unexpected side effects to Health Canada. Your report may help to identify new side effects and change the product safety information.

3 ways to report:

- Online at MedEffect (<http://hc-sc.gc.ca/dhp-mps/medeff/index-eng.php>)
- By calling 1-866-234-2345 (toll-free);
- By completing a Consumer Side Effect Reporting Form and sending it by:
 - Fax to 1-866-678-6789 (toll-free), or
 - Mail to: Canada Vigilance Program
Health Canada
Postal Locator 0701E
Ottawa, ON K1A 0K9

Postage paid labels and the Consumer Side Effect Reporting Form are available at MedEffect (<http://hc-sc.gc.ca/dhp-mps/medeff/index-eng.php>)

NOTE: Contact your health professional if you need information about how to manage your side effects. The Canada Vigilance Program does not provide medical advice.

MORE INFORMATION

This document, plus the full prescribing information, prepared for health professionals can be found by contacting the sponsor, Baxter Corporation, at: 1-800-387-8399

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