# MYCOPHENOLATE MOFETIL CAPSULES USP, 250 mg

#### **MYCOPHENOLATE MOFETIL TABLETS USP, 500 mg**

**R** only

WARNING: Embryofetal Toxicity, Malignancies and Serious Infections: Use during pregnancy is associated with increased risks of first trimester pregnancy loss and congenital malformations. Females of reproductive potential (FRP) must be counseled regarding pregnancy prevention and planning (see WARNINGS and PRECAUTIONS).

mmunosuppression may lead to increased susceptibility to infection and possible development of lymphoma. Only physicians experienced in immunosuppressive therapy and management of renal, cardiac or hepatic transplant patients should prescribe mycophenolate mofetil. Patients receiving the drug should be managed in facilities equipped and staffed with adequate laboratory and supportive medical resources. The physician responsible for maintenance therapy should have complete information requisite for the follow-up of the patient (see WARNINGS and

**DESCRIPTION:** Mycophenolate mofetil is the 2-morpholinoethyl ester of mycophenolic acid (MPA), an immunosuppressive agent; inosine mononhosphate dehydrogenase (IMPDH) inhibitor

The chemical name for mycophenolate mofetil is 2-Morpholinoethyl (E)-6-(4-hydroxy-6-methoxy-7-methyl-3-oxo-5-phthalanyl)-4-methyl-4-hexenoate. It has a molecular formula of  $C_{23}H_{31}NO_7$ , a molecular weight of 433.5, and the following structural formula:

Mycophenolate mofetil, USP is a white to almost white crystalline powder. It is practically insoluble in water (43 mcg/mL at pH 7.4); the solubility increases in acidic medium (4.27 mg/mL at pH 3.6). It is freely soluble in acetone, soluble in methanol, and sparingly soluble in anhydrous ethanol. The apparent partition coefficient in 1-octanol/water (pH 7.4) buffer solution is 238. The pKa values for mycophenolate mofetil are 5.6 for the morpholino group and 8.5 for the phenolic group.

Mycophenolate mofetil is available for oral administration as capsules containing 250 mg of mycophenolate mofetil and tablets containing 500 mg of mycophenolate mofetil. Mycophenolate Mofetil Cansules USP, 250 mg contain the following inactive ingredients: colloidal silicon dioxide, croscarmellose

sodium, magnesium stearate, microcrystalline cellulose, pregelatinized starch, and sodium lauryl sulfate. The empty gelatin cap-sule shells contain black iron oxide, FD&C Blue No. 2, gelatin, red iron oxide, titanium dioxide, and yellow iron oxide. In addition, the imprinting ink contains the following: ammonium hydroxide, black iron oxide, propylene glycol, and shellac glaze.

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CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY: Mechanism of Action: Mycophenolate mofetil has been demonstrated in experimental animal models to prolong the survival of allogeneic transplants (kidney, heart, liver, intestine, limb, small bowel, pancreatic islets and bone

Mycophenolate mofetil has also been shown to reverse ongoing acute rejection in the canine renal and rat cardiac allograft models. Mycophenolate mofetti also inhibited proliferative arteriopathy in experimental models of aortic and cardiac allografts in rats, as as lell as in primate cardiac xenografts. Mycophenolate mofetil was used alone or in combination with other immunosuppressive agents in these studies. Mycophenolate mofetil has been demonstrated to inhibit immunologically mediated inflammatory respons-

igents in these sources, mycopinenoate indeut has been demonstrated to infinit infinionograph mediated inflating is in animal models and to inhibit tumor development and prolong survival in murine tumor transplant models.

Mycophenolate mofetil is rapidly absorbed following oral administration and hydrolyzed to form MPA, which is the active metabolite. MPA is a potent, selective, uncompetitive and reversible inhibitor of inosine monophosphate dehydrogenase (IMPDH), and thereore inhibits the *de novo* pathway of guanosine nucleotide synthesis without incorporation into DNA. Because T- and B-lymphocytes rore innibits the *de-novo* pathway of guanosine nucleotide synthesis of purines, without incorporation into DNA. Because I- and a \*-pymphocytes are critically dependent for their proliferation on *de novo* synthesis of purines, whereas other cell types can utilize salvage pathways, MPA has potent cytostatic effects on lymphocytes. MPA inhibits proliferative responses of T- and B-lymphocytes to both mitogenic and allospecific stimulation. Addition of guanosine or deoxyguanosine reverses the cytostatic effects of MPA on lymphocytes. MPA as os suppresses antibody formation by B-lymphocytes. MPA prevents the glycosylation of lymphocyte and monocyte glycoproteins that are involved in intercellular adhesion to endothelial cells and may inhibit recruitment of leukocytes into sites of inflammation and graft rejection. Mycophenolate mofetil did not inhibit early events in the activation of human peripheral blood mononuclear cells such as the production of interleukin-1 (IL-1) and interleukin-2 (IL-2), but did block the coupling of these events to DNA synthesis

Pharmacokinetics: Following oral and intravenous administration, mycophenolate mofetil undergoes rapid and complete metaboism to MPA, the active metabolite. Oral absorption of the drug is rapid and essentially complete. MPA is metabolized to form the instit to mrx, the active metabolics of an absorption to the drig is rapid and essentially complete, mrx is inerabolized to finit the phenolic glucuronide of MPA (MPAG) which is not pharmacologically active. The parent drug, mycophenolate mofetil, can be measured systemically during the intravenous infusion; however, shortly (about 5 minutes) after the infusion is stopped or after oral administration, mycophenolate mofetil concentration is below the limit of quantitation (0.4 mcg/mL). Absorption: In 12 healthy volunteers, the mean absolute bioavailability of oral mycophenolate mofetil relative to intravenous

nycophenoidate motetii (based on MPA AUC) was 94%. The area under the plasma-concentration time curve (AUC) for MPA appears o increase in a dose proportional fashion in renal transplant patients receiving multiple doses of mycophenolate mofetii up to a

Food (27 g fat, 650 calories) had no effect on the extent of absorption (MPA AUC) of mycophenolate mofetil when administered at doses of 1.5 g bid to renal transplant patients. However, MPA C<sub>max</sub> was decreased by 40% in the presence of food (see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION).

**Distribution:** The mean  $(\pm SD)$  apparent volume of distribution of MPA in 12 healthy volunteers is approximately 3.6  $(\pm 1.5)$  and Institution: The interval (± 50.7) applicant volumie of ustribution of mPR in 1.2 hearing volunteers is approximately 5.0 (± 1.5) and to plasma albumin. MPAG is a 82% bound to plasma albumin. MPAG is 82% bound to plasma albumin at MPAG concentration ranges that are normally seen in stable renal transplant patients, however, at higher MPAG concentrations (observed in patients with renal impairment or delayed renal graft function), the binding of MPA may be reduced as a result of competition between MPAG and MPAG for protein binding. Mean blood to plasma ratio of radioactivity concentrations was approximately 0.6 indicating that MPA and MPAG do not extensively distribute into the cellular fractions of blood.

In vitro studies to evaluate the effect of other agents on the binding of MPA to human serum albumin (HSA) or plasma proteins showed that salicylate (at 25 mg/dL with HSA) and MPAG (at z 460 mg/mL with plasma proteins) increased the free fraction of MPA. At concentrations that exceeded what is encountered clinically, cyclosporine, digoxin, naproxen, propranolol, tacrolimus, theophylline, tolbutamide and warfarin did not increase the free fraction of MPA. MPA at concentrations as high is 100 mcg/mL had little effect on the binding of warfarin, digoxin or propranolol, but decreased the binding of theophylline from 53% to 45% and phenytoin from 90% to 87%.

Metabolism: Following oral and intravenous dosing, mycophenolate mofetil undergoes complete metabolism to MPA, the active metabolite. Metabolism to MPA occurs presystemically after oral dosing. MPA is metabolized principally by glucuronyl transferase to form the phenolic glucuronide of MPA (MPAG) which is not pharmacologically active. In vivo, MPAG is converted to MPA via entero-hepatic recirculation. The following metabolites of the 2-hydroxyethyl-morpholino moiety are also recovered in the urine following oral administration of mycophenolate mofetil to healthy subjects: N-(2-carboxymethyl)-morpholine, N-(2-hydroxyethyl)-morpholine, and the N-oxide of N-(2-hydroxyethyl)-morpholine.

Secondary peaks in the plasma MPA concentration-time profile are usually observed 6 to 12 hours post-dose. The coadministration of cholestyramine (4 g tild) resulted in approximately 4 00% decrease in the MPA AUC (largely as a consequence of lower concentrations in the terminal portion of the profile). These observations suggest that enterohepatic recirculation contributes to MPA

Increased plasma concentrations of mycophenolate mofetil metabolites (MPA 50% increase and MPAG about a 3-fold to 6-fold increased prasmia concentrations or injugine morate morate material and a 3- on increase and wirks about a 3- one to 6- one increase) are observed in patients with renal insufficiency (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY; Special Populations).

Exerction: Negligible amount of drug is excreted as MPA (< 1% of dose) in the urine. Orally administered radiolabeled myco-

Phenolate mofetil resulted in complete recovery of the administered dose, with 93% of the administered dose recovered in the urine and 6% recovered in feces. Most (about 87%) of the administered dose is excreted in the urine and 6% recovered in feces. Most (about 87%) of the administered dose is excreted in the urine as MPAG. At clinically encountered concentrations, MPA and MPAG are usually not removed by hemodialysis. However, at high MPAG plasma concentrations (> 100 mcg/mL), small amounts of MPAG are removed. Bile acid sequestrants, such as cholestyramine, reduce MPA AUC by interfering with enterohepatic circulation of the drug (see OVERDOSAGE).

Mean  $(\pm$  SD) apparent half-life and plasma clearance of MPA are 17.9  $(\pm$  6.5) hours and 193  $(\pm$  48) mL/min following oral administration and 16.6  $(\pm$  5.8) hours and 177  $(\pm$  31) mL/min following intravenous administration, respectively. Pharmacokinetics in Healthy Volunteers, Renal, Cardiac and Hepatic Transplant Patients: Shown below are the mean  $(\pm$  SD) pharmacokinetics in Healthy Volunteers, Renal, Cardiac and Hepatic Transplant Patients: Shown below are the mean  $(\pm$  SD) pharmacokinetics in Healthy Volunteers, Renal, Cardiac and Hepatic Transplant Patients: Pharmacokinetics in meaniny volunteers, kenal, car under an neparts in anisphant is already not become acceptant meaning and multiple doses to renal, cardiac and hepatic transplant patients. In the early post-transplant period (< 40 days post-transplant, renal, cardiac and hepatic transplant patients had mean MPA AUCs approximately 20% to 41% lower and mean C<sub>max</sub> approximately 32% to 44% lower compared to the late transplant period (3 to 6 months post-transplant).

Mean MPA AUC values following administration of 1 g bid intravenous mycophenolate mofetil over 2 hours to renal transplant patients for 5 days were about 24% higher than those observed after oral administration of a similar dose in the immediate post-transplant phase. In hepatic transplant patients, administration of 1 g bid intravenous mycophenolate mofetil followed by 1.5 g bid oral mycophenolate mofetil resulted in mean MPA AUC values similar to those found in renal transplant patients administered 1 g mycophenolate mofetil bid.

Volunteers (Single-Dose), Renal, Cardiac and Hepatic Transplant Patients (Multiple Doses)

	Dose/Route	T <sub>max</sub> (h)	C <sub>max</sub> (mcg/mL)	Total AUC (mcg•h/mL)
Healthy Volunteers	1 g/oral	0.80	24.5	63.9
(single-dose)		(± 0.36)	(± 9.5)	(± 16.2)
		(n = 129)	(n = 129)	(n = 117)

Table 1 Pharmacokinetic Parameters for MPA [mean (± SD)] Following Administration of Mycophenolate Mofetil to

Healthy Voluntee	rs (Single-Dose), Ren	al, Cardiac and Hepat	ic Transplant Patients (	Multiple Doses)
	Dose/Route	T <sub>max</sub> (h)	C <sub>max</sub> (mcg/mL)	Total AUC (mcg•h/mL)
Renal Transplant Patients (bid dosing) Time After Transplantation	Dose/Route	T <sub>max</sub> (h)	C <sub>max</sub> (mcg/mL)	Interdosing Interval AUC <sub>(0-12h)</sub> (mcg•h/mL)
5 days	1 g/iv	1.58 (± 0.46) (n = 31)	12 (± 3.82) (n = 31)	40.8 (± 11.4) (n = 31)
6 days	1 g/oral	1.33 (± 1.05) (n = 31)	10.7 (± 4.83) (n = 31)	32.9 (± 15) (n = 31)
Early (< 40 days)	1 g/oral	1.31 (± 0.76) (n = 25)	8.16 (± 4.50) (n = 25)	27.3 (± 10.9) (n = 25)
Early (< 40 days)	1.5 g/oral	1.21 (± 0.81) (n = 27)	13.5 (± 8.18) (n = 27)	38.4 (± 15.4) (n = 27)
Late (> 3 months)	1.5 g/oral	0.90 (± 0.24) (n = 23)	24.1 (± 12.1) (n = 23)	65.3 (± 35.4) (n = 23)
Cardiac Transplant Patients (bid dosing) Time After Transplantation	Dose/Route	T <sub>max</sub> (h)	C <sub>max</sub> (mcg/mL)	Interdosing Interval AUC <sub>(0-12h)</sub> (mcg•h/mL)
Early (Day before discharge)	1.5 g/oral	1.8 (± 1.3) (n = 11)	11.5 (± 6.8) (n = 11)	43.3 (± 20.8) (n = 9)
Late (> 6 months)	1.5 g/oral	1.1 (± 0.7) (n = 52)	20 (± 9.4) (n = 52)	54.1a (± 20.4) (n = 49)
Hepatic Transplant Patients (bid dosing) Time After Transplantation	Dose/Route	T <sub>max</sub> (h)	C <sub>max</sub> (mcg/mL)	Interdosing Interval AUC <sub>(0-12h)</sub> (mcg•h/mL)
4 to 9 days	1 g/iv	1.50 (± 0.517) (n = 22)	17 (± 12.7) (n = 22)	34 (± 17.4) (n = 22)
Early (5 to 8 days)	1.5 g/oral	1.15 (± 0.432) (n = 20)	13.1 (± 6.76) (n = 20)	29.2 (± 11.9) (n = 20)
Late (> 6 months)	1.5 g/oral	1.54 (± 0.51) (n = 6)	19.3 (± 11.7) (n = 6)	49.3 (± 14.8) (n = 6)

UC(0-12h) values quoted are extrapolated from data from samples collected over 4 hours

Two 500 mg tablets have been shown to be bioequivalent to four 250 mg capsules. Five ml of the 200 mg/ml constituted oral suspension have been shown to be bioequivalent to four 250 mg capsules. Special Populations: Shown below are the mean  $(\pm SD)$  pharmacokinetic parameters for MPA following the administration of oral mycophenolate mofetil given as single doses to non-transplant subjects with renal or hepatic impairment.

Table 2 Pharmacokinetic Parameters for MPA [mean (± SD)] Following Single Doses of Mycophenolate Mofetil Capsules in

Chronic Renal and Hepatic Ir	npairment	Chronic Renal and Hepatic Impairment							
Renal Impairment (no. of patients)	Dose	T <sub>max</sub> (h)	C <sub>max</sub> (mcg/mL)	AUC <sub>(0-96h)</sub> (mcg•h/mL)					
Healthy Volunteers GFR > 80 mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> (n = 6)	1 g	0.75 (± 0.27)	25.3 (± 7.99)	45 (± 22.6)					
Mild Renal Impairment GFR 50 to 80 mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> (n = 6)	1 g	0.75 (± 0.27)	26 (± 3.82)	59.9 (± 12.9)					
Moderate Renal Impairment GFR 25 to 49 mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> (n = 6)	1 g	0.75 (± 0.27)	19 (± 13.2)	52.9 (± 25.5)					
Severe Renal Impairment GFR < 25 mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> (n = 7)	1 g	1.00 (± 0.41)	16.3 (± 10.8)	78.6 (± 46.4)					
Hepatic Impairment (no. of patients)	Dose	T <sub>max</sub> (h)	C <sub>max</sub> (mcg/mL)	AUC <sub>(0-48h)</sub> (mcg•h/mL)					
Healthy Volunteers (n = 6)	1 g	0.63 (± 0.14)	24.3 (± 5.73)	29 (± 5.78)					
Alcoholic Cirrhosis (n = 18)	1 g	0.85 (± 0.58)	22.4 (± 10.1)	29.8 (± 10.7)					

Renal Insufficiency: In a single-dose study, mycophenolate mofetil was administered as capsule or intravenous infusion over 40 minutes. Plasma MPA AUC observed after oral dosing to volunteers with severe chronic renal impairment [glomerular filtration rate (GFR) < 25 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>] was about 75% higher relative to that observed in healthy volunteers (GFR > 80 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>). n addition, the single-dose plasma MPAG AUC was 3-fold to 6-fold higher in volunteers with severe renal impairment than in vol unteers with mild renal impairment or healthy volunteers, consistent with the known renal elimination of MPÅG. No data are avail-able on the safety of long-term exposure to this level of MPAG.

Plasma MPA AUC observed after single-dose (1 g) intravenous dosing to volunteers (n = 4) with severe chronic renal impairmen FileStilla mirk not observed after single-cused; it is interviewed a source of the control of th In patients with delayed renal graft function post-transplant, mean MPA AUC<sub>(0-12h)</sub> was comparable to that seen in post-transant patients without delayed renal graft function. There is a potential for a transient increase in the free fraction and concentration of plasma MPA in patients with delayed renal graft function. However, dose adjustment does not appear to be necessary in patient

with delayed renal graft function. Mean plasma MPAG AUC<sub>(p-12h)</sub> was 2-fold to 3-fold higher than in post-transplant, delayed renal graft function (see PRECAUTIONS: Patients with Renal Impairment and DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION). In eight patients with primary graft non-function following renal transplantation, plasma concentrations of MPAG accumulated

about 6-fold to 8-fold after mittiple dosing for 28 days. Accumulation of MPA was about 1-fold to 2-fold.

The pharmacokinetics of mycophenolate mofetil are not altered by hemodialysis. Hemodialysis usually does not remove MPA or

MPAG. At high concentrations of MPAG (> 100 mcg/mL), hemodialysis removes only small amounts of MPAG. Hepatic Insufficiency: In a single-dose (1 g oral) study of 18 volunteers with alcoholic cirrhosis and six healthy volunteers, hepatic MPA glucuronidation processes appeared to be relatively unaffected by hepatic parenchymal disease when pharmacokinetic arameters of healthy volunteers and alcoholic cirrhosis patients within this study were compared. However, it should be noted that ained reasons, the healthy volunteers in this study had about a 50% lower AUC as compared to healthy volunteers in othe studies, thus making comparisons between volunteers with alcoholic cirrhosis and healthy volunteers difficult. Effects of hepatic disease on this process probably depend on the particular disease. Hepatic disease with other etiologies, such as primary biliary cirrhosis, may show a different effect. In a single-dose 1 g intravenous) study of six volunteers with seven hepatic impairment (aminopyrine breath test less than 0.2% of dose) due to alcoholic cirrhosis, mycophenolate mofetil was rapidly converted to MPA.

MPA AUC was 44.1 mcg • h/mL (± 15.5). Pediatrics: The pharmacokinetic parameters of MPA and MPAG have been evaluated in 55 pediatric patients (ranging from 1 year t 18 years of age) receiving mycophenolate mofetil oral suspension at a dose of 600 mg/m² bid (up to a maximum of 1 g bid) after allogeneic renal transplantation. The pharmacokinetic data for MPA is provided in Table 3:

Table 3 Mean (± SD) Computed Pharmacokinetic Parameters for MPA by Age and Time After Allogeneic Renal Transplantation

Age Group	(n)	Time		max (h)	0	Adjusteda max g/mL)	AL	Adjusteda IC <sub>0-12</sub> g•h/mL)
		Early (Day 7)						
1 to < 2 yr	(6)d		3.03	(4.70)	10.3	(5.80)	22.5	(6.66)
1 to < 6 yr	(17)		1.63	(2.85)	13.2	(7.16)	27.4	(9.54)
6 to < 12 yr	(16)		0.940	(0.546)	13.1	(6.30)	33.2	(12.1)
12 to 18 yr	(21)		1.16	(0.830)	11.7	(10.7)	26.3	(9.14)b
		Late (Month 3)						
1 to < 2 yr	(4)d		0.725	(0.276)	23.8	(13.4)	47.4	(14.7)
1 to < 6 yr	(15)		0.989	(0.511)	22.7	(10.1)	49.7	(18.2)
6 to < 12 yr	(14)		1.21	(0.532)	27.8	(14.3)	61.9	(19.6)
12 to 18 yr	(17)		0.978	(0.484)	17.9	(9.57)	53.6	(20.3)c
		Late (Month 9)						
1 to < 2 yr	(4)d		0.604	(0.208)	25.6	(4.25)	55.8	(11.6)
1 to < 6 yr	(12)		0.869	(0.479)	30.4	(9.16)	61	(10.7)
6 to < 12 yr	(11)		1.12	(0.462)	29.2	(12.6)	66.8	(21.2)
12 to 18 yr	(14)		1.09	(0.518)	18.1	(7.29)	56.7	(14)

a adjusted to a dose of 600 mg/m<sup>2</sup>

d a subset of 1 to < 6 vr

The myconhenolate mofetil oral suspension dose of 600 mg/m<sup>2</sup> hid (up to a maximum of 1 g hid) achieved mean MPA AUC val-The Injurphenoidae indictional suspension used to do ingrime to the search use of a use in pediatric patients initial rot those search in adult renal transplant patients receiving mycophenolate mofetii capsules at a dose of 1 g bid in the early post-transplant period. There was wide variability in the data. As observed in adults, early post-transplant MPA AUC values were approximately 45% to 53% lower than those observed in the later post-transplant period (> 3 months). MPA AUC values were similar in the early and late post-transplant period across the 1 year to 18 year age range.

**Gender:** Data obtained from several studies were pooled to look at any gender-related differences in the pharmacokinetics of MPA (data were adjusted to 1 g oral dose). Mean  $(\pm$  SD) MPA AUC $_{(0-12h)}$  for males (n=79) was  $32 (\pm 14.5)$  and for females (n=41)

CLINICAL STUDIES: Adults: The safety and efficacy of mycophenolate mofetil in combination with corticosteroids and cyclosporine ntion of organ rejection were assessed in randomized, double-blind, multicenter trials in renal (three trials), in cardiac from the prevention to grant rejection were assessed in randomized, quotier-online, morticenter trials in renar (tine trials), in cardiac (one trial) and in hepatic (one trial) adult transplant patients.

Renal Transplant: Adults: The three renal studies compared two dose levels of oral mycophenolate mofetil (1 g bid and 1.5 g bid) with

azathioprine (two studies) or placebo (one study) when administered in combination with cyclosporine (Sandimmune®) and corticosteroids to prevent acute rejection episodes. One study also included antithymocyte globulin (ATGAM®) induction therapy. These studies are described by geographic location of the investigational sites. One study was conducted in the USA at 14 sites, one study was conducted in Europe at 20 sites, and one study was conducted in Europe, Canada and Australia at a total of 21 sites.

The primary efficacy endpoint was the proportion of patients in each treatment group who experienced treatment failure within the first 6 months after transplantation (defined as biopsy-proven acute rejection on treatment or the occurrence of death, graft loss or early termination from the study for any reason without prior biopsy-proven rejection). Mycophenolate mofetil, when administered with antithymocyte globulin (ATGAM®) induction (one study) and with cyclosporine and corticosteroids (all three studies), was compared to the following three therapeutic regimens: (1) antithymocyte globulin (ATGAM®) induction/azathioprine/cyclosporine/corticosteroids, (2) azathioprine/cyclosporine/corticosteroids, and (3) cyclosporine/corticosteroids.

Mycophenolate mofetii, in combination with corticosteroids and cyclosporine reduced (statistically significant at 0.05 level) the incidence of treatment failure within the first 6 months following transplantation. Table 4 and Table 5 summarize the results of these studies. These tables show (1) the proportion of patients sepreinening treatment failure, (2) the proportion abents who experienced biopsy-proven acute rejection on treatment, and (3) early termination, for any reason other than graft loss or death, without a prior biopsy-proven acute rejection episode. Patients who prematurely discontinued treatment were followed for the occurrence of death or graft loss, and the cumulative incidence of graft loss and patient death are summarized separately. Patients who prematreath or graft toss, and the cuminative inclinate or graft toss and patient lead as summatice separately. Tatents will premare trively discontinued treatment were not followed for the occurrence of acute rejection after termination. More patients receiving mycophenolate mofetil discontinued without prior biopsy-proven rejection, death or graft loss than discontinued in the control groups, with the highest rate in the mycophenolate mofetil 3 g/day group. Therefore, the acute rejection rates may be underestimates, particularly in the mycophenolate mofetil 3 g/day group.

Table 4 Renal Transplant Studies Incidence of Treatment Failure (Biopsy-proven Rejection or Early Termination for Any

Reason)			
USA Studya	Mycophenolate Mofetil	Mycophenolate Mofetil 3 g/day	Azathioprine 1 to 2 mg/kg/day
(N = 499 patients)	(n = 167 patients)	(n = 166 patients)	(n = 166 patients)
All treatment failures	31.1%	31.3%	47.6%
Early termination without prior acute rejection <sup>b</sup>	9.6%	12.7%	6%
Biopsy-proven rejection episode on treatment	19.8%	17.5%	38%
Europe/Canada/	Mycophenolate Mofetil	Mycophenolate Mofetil	Azathioprine
Australia Study <sup>c</sup>	2 g/day	3 g/day	100 to 150 mg/day
(N = 503 patients)	(n = 173 patients)	(n = 164 patients)	(n = 166 patients)
All treatment failures	38.2%	34.8%	50%
Early termination without prior acute rejection <sup>b</sup>	13.9%	15.2%	10.2%
Biopsy-proven rejection episode on treatment	19.7%	15.9%	35.5%
Europe Studyd	Mycophenolate Mofetil	Mycophenolate Mofetil	Placebo
	2 g/day	3 g/day	
(N = 491 patients)	(n = 165 patients)	(n = 160 patients)	(n = 166 patients)
All treatment failures	30.3%	38.8%	56%
Early termination without prior acute rejection <sup>b</sup>	11.5%	22.5%	7.2%
Biopsy-proven rejection episode on treatment	17%	13.8%	46.4%

b Does not include death and graft loss as reason for early termination

Mycophenolate mofetil or placebo/cyclosporine/corticosteroids

The cumulative incidence of 12 month graft loss or patient death is presented below. No advantage of mycophenolate mofetil with respect to graft loss or patient death was established. Numerically, patients receiving mycophenolate mofetil 2 g/day and 3 g/day experienced a better outcome than controls in all three studies; patients receiving mycophenolate mofetil 2 g/day experienced a better outcome than mycophenolate mofetil 3 g/day in two of the three studies. Patients in all treatment groups who terminated treatment early were found to have a poor outcome with respect to graft loss or patient death at one year.

Table 5 Renal Transplant Studies Cumulative Incidence of Combined Graft Loss or Patient Death at 12 Months

Study	Mycophenolate Mofetil 2 g/day	Mycophenolate Mofetil 3 g/day	Control (Azathioprine or Placebo)
USA	8.5%	11.5%	12.2%
Europe/Canada/Australia	11.7%	11%	13.6%
Europe	8.5%	10%	11.5%

Pediatrics: One open-label, safety and pharmacokinetic study of myconhenolate mofetil oral suspension 600 mg/m2 hid (up to 1 g Previations: One open-lader, salety and pindimized interminent study of improprietional minertural assignations of more in the US (9), Europe (5) and Australia (1) in 100 pediatric patients (3 months to 18 years of age) for the prevention of renal allograft rejection. Mycophenolate mofetil was well tolerated in pediatric patients (see ADVERSE REACTIONS), and the pharmacokinetics profile was similar to that seen in adult patients dosed with 1 g bild mycophenolate mofetil capsules (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY: Pharmacokinetics). The rate of biopsy-prover rejection was similar across the age groups (3 months to < 6 years, 6 years to < 12 years, 12 years to 18 years). The overall biopsy-proven rejection rate at 6 months was comparable to adults. The combined incidence of graft loss (5%) and patient death (2%) at 12 months post-transplant was similar to that observed in adult renal transplant patients.

Cardiac Transplant: A double-blind, randomized, comparative, parallel-group, multicenter study in primary cardiac transplant

recipients was performed at 20 centers in the United States, one in Canada, five in Europe and two in Australia. The total number of patients enrolled was 650; 72 never received study drug and 578 received study drug. Patients received mycophenolate mofetil 1.5 g bid (n = 289) or azathioprine 1.5 to 3 mg/kg/day (n = 289), in combination with cyclosporine (Sandimmune® or Neoral®) and corticosteroids as maintenance immunosuppressive therapy. The two primary efficacy endpoints were: (1) the proportion of patients who, after transplantation, had at least one endomyocardial biopsy-proven rejection with hemodynamic compromise, or were retransplanted or died, within the first 6 months, and (2) the proportion of patients who died or were retransplanted during the first 12 months following transplantation. Patients who prematurely discontinued treatment were followed for the occurrence of allograft rejection for up to 6 months and for the occurrence of death for one year.

(1) Rejection: No difference was established between mycophenolate mofetil and azathioprine (AZA) with respect to biopsy-prover

rejection with hemodynamic compromise. (2) Survival: Mycophenolate mofetil was shown to be at least as effective as AZA in preventing death or retransplantation at one

Table 6 Rejection at 6 Months/Death or Retransplantation at One Year

	All I	Patients	Treated Patients	
	AZA N = 323	Mycophenolate Mofetil N = 327	AZA N = 289	Mycophenolate Mofetil N = 289
Biopsy-proven rejection with hemodynamic compromise at 6 months <sup>a</sup>	121 (38%)	120 (37%)	100 (35%)	92 (32%)
Death or retransplantation at one year	49 (15.2%)	42 (12.8%)	33 (11.4%)	18 (6.2%)
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Hemodynamic compromise occurred if any of the following criteria were met: pulmonary capillary wedge pressure  $\geq 20$  mm or a 25% increase; cardiac index < 2 L/min/m² or a 25% decrease; cardiac index < 2 L/min/m² or a 25% decrease; piecento fraction  $\leq 30\%$ ; pulmonary artery oxyger saturation  $\leq 60\%$  or a 25% decrease; presence of new  $S_3$  galloy, fractional shortening was  $\leq 20\%$  or a 25% decrease; inotropic support required to manage the clinical condition

Hepatic Transplant: A double-blind, randomized, comparative, parallel-group, multicenter study in primary hepatic transplant recipients was performed at 16 centers in the United States, two in Canada, four in Europe and one in Australia. The total number of patients enrolled was 565. Per protocol, patients received mycophenolate mofetil 1 g bid intravenously for up to 14 days followed by mycopheno-late mofetil 1.5 g bid orally or azathioprine 1 to 2 mg/kg/day intravenously followed by azathioprine 1 to 2 mg/kg/day orally, in combilate mortell 1.5 g bild orally or azatnioprine 1 to Z mg/kg/day intravenously followed by azatnioprine 1 to Z mg/kg/day orally, in combi-nation with cyclosporine (Neoral®) and corticosteroids as maintenance immunosuppressive therapy. The actual median oral dose of azathioprine on study was 1.5 mg/kg/day (range of 0.3 to 3.8 mg/kg/day) initially and 1.26 mg/kg/day (range of 0.3 to 3.8 mg/kg/day) at 12 months. The two primary endpoints were: (1) the proportion of patients who experienced, in the first 6 months post-transplanta-tion, one or more episodes of biopsy-proven and treated rejection or death or retransplantation, and (2) the proportion of patients who experienced graft loss (death or retransplantation) during the first 12 months post-transplantation. Patients who prematurely disconinued treatment were followed for the occurrence of allograft rejection and for the occurrence of graft loss (death or retransplantation)

6 months and a similar rate of death or retransplantation at one year compared to azathiopri

le 7 Rejection at 6 Months/Death or Retransplantation at One Year						
	AZA N = 287	Mycophenolate Mofetil N = 278				
iopsy-proven, treated rejection at 6 months (includes eath or retransplantation)	137 (47.7%)	107 (38.5%)				
eath or retransplantation at one year	42 (14.6%)	41 (14.7%)				

INDICATIONS AND USAGE: Renal. Cardiac and Hepatic Transplant: Mycophenolate mofetil is indicated for the prophylaxis of organ rejection in patients receiving allogeneic renal, cardiac or hepatic transpl ly with cyclosporine and corticosteroids.

CONTRAINDICATIONS: Allergic reactions to mycophenolate mofetil have been observed; therefore, mycophenolate mofetil is conraindicated in patients with a hypersensitivity to mycophenolate mofetil, mycophenolic acid or any component of the drug

WARNINGS: (see boxed WARNING): Embryofetal Toxicity: Mycophenolate mofetil can cause fetal harm when administered to a pregnant female. Use of mycophenolate mofetil during pregnancy is associated with an increased risk of first trimester pregnancy loss and an increased risk of congenital malformations, especially external ear and other facial abnormalities including cleft lip and palate, and anomalies of the distal limbs, heart, esophagus and kidney (see PRECAUTIONS: Pregnancy).

Pregnancy Exposure Prevention and Planning: Females of reproductive potential must be made aware of the increased risk of

was 36.5 (± 18.8) mcg\*h/mL while mean (± SD) MPA C<sub>max</sub> was 9.96 (± 6.19) in the males and 10.6 (± 5.64) mcg/mL in the females. These differences are not of clinical significance.

Geriatrics: Pharmacokinetics in the elderly have not been studied.

first trimester pregnancy loss and congenital malformations and must be counseled regarding pregnancy prevention and planning. For recommended pregnancy testing and contraception methods (see PRECAUTIONS: Pregnancy Exposure Prevention and Planning).

Lymphoma and Malignancy: Patients receiving immunosuppressive regimens involving combinations of drugs, including mycophe nolate mofetil, as part of an immunosuppressive regimen are at increased risk of developing lymphomas and other malignal particularly of the skin (see ADVERSE REACTIONS). The risk appears to be related to the intensity and duration of immunosup sion rather than to the use of any specific agent.

As usual for patients with increased risk for skin cancer, exposure to sunlight and UV light should be limited by wearing protec-As usual to pactions with interese in the following protection factor. Exposure to summer and or night should be minted by wearing protection factor.

Lymphoproliferative disease or lymphoma developed in 0.4% to 1% of patients receiving mycophenolate mofetil (2 g or 3 g)

with other immunosuppressive agents in controlled clinical trials of renal, cardiac and hepatic transplant patients (see ADVERSE

In pediatric patients, no other malignancies besides lymphoproliferative disorder (2/148 patients) have been observed (see

Combination with Other Immunosuppressive Agents: Mycophenolate mofetil has been administered in combination with the following agents in clinical trials: antithymocyte globulin (ATGAM®), OKT3 (Orthoclone OKT® 3), cyclosporine (Sandimmune®, Neoral®) and corticosteroids. The efficacy and safety of the use of mycophenolate mofetil in combination with other immunosuppressive agents have not been determined.

fatal infections and sepsis. In patients receiving mycophenolate mofetil (2 g or 3 g) in controlled studies for prevention of renal, cardiac or hepatic rejection, fatal infection/sepsis occurred in approximately 2% of renal and cardiac patients and in 5% of hepatic patients (see ADVERSE REACTIONS).

Latent Viral Infections: Immunosuppressed patients are at increased risk for opportunistic infections, including activation of latent viral infections. These include cases of progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy (PML) and BK virus-associated nephropathy (BKVAN) which have been observed in patients receiving immunosuppressants, including mycophenolate mofetil.

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Cases of progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy (PML), sometimes fatal, have been reported in patients treated with mycophenolate mofetil. Hemiparesis, apathy, confusion, cognitive deficiencies and ataxia were the most frequent clinical features observed. The reported cases generally had risk factors for PML, including treatment with immunosuppressant therapies and impairment of immune function. In immunosuppresson should consider PML in the differential diagnosis in patients reporting neurological symptoms and consultation with a neurologist should be considered as clinically indicated. Consideration should be given to reducing the amount of immunosuppression in patients who develop PML. In transplant patients, physicians should also consider the risk that reduced immunosuppression represents to the graft.

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BKVAN is associated with serious outcomes, including deteriorating renal function and renal graft loss (see ADVERSE REACTIONS: Post-Marketing Experience). Patient monitoring may help detect patients at risk for BK virus-associated nephropathy. Reduction in immunosuppression should be considered for patients who develop evidence of BK virus-associated nephropathy.

Neutropenia: Severe neutropenia [absolute neutrophil count (ANC) < 0.5 x 103/µL] developed in up to 2% of renal, up to 2.8% of

cardiac, and up to 3.6% of hepatic transplant patients receiving mycophenolate mofetii 3 g daily (see ADVERSE REACTIONS). Patients receiving mycophenolate mofetii should be monitored for neutropenia (see PRECAUTIONS: Laboratory Tests). The development of neutropenia may be related to mycophenolate mofetii itself, concomitant medications, viral infections, or some combiation of these causes. If neutropenia develops (ANC  $< 1.3 \times 10^3 / \mu$ L), dosing with mycophenolate mofeti should be interrupted or the dose reduced, appropriate diagnostic tests performed, and the patient managed appropriately (see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION). Neutropenia has been observed most frequently in the period from 31 to 180 days post-transplant in patients treated for prevention of renal, cardiac and hepatic rejection.

Patients receiving mycophenolate mofetil should be instructed to report immediately any evidence of infection, unexpected bruising, bleeding or any other manifestation of bone marrow depression.

Pure Red Cell Aplasia (PRCA): Cases of pure red cell aplasia (PRCA) have been reported in patients treated with mycophenolate mofetil in combination with other immunosuppressive agents. The mechanism for mycophenolate mofetil induced PRCA is unknown; the relative contribution of other immunosuppressants and their combinations in an immunosuppression regimen are also unknown. In some cases, PRCA was found to be reversible with dose reduction or cessation of mycophenolate mofetil therapy. In transplant patients, however, reduced immunosuppression may place the graft at risk.

PRECAUTIONS: Pregnancy Exposure Prevention and Planning: Females of reproductive potential must be made aware of the increased risk of first trimester pregnancy loss and congenital malformations and must be counseled regarding pregnancy prevention and planning.

Females of reproductive potential include girls who have entered puberty and all women who have a uterus and have not passed through menogrause. Menogause is the permanent end of menstruation and fertility. Menopause should be clinically confirmed by a patient's healthcare practitioner. Some commonly used diagnostic criteria include 1) 12 months of spontaneous amenorrhea (not amenorrhea induced by a medical condition or medical therapy) or 2) postsurgical from a bilateral oophorectomy.

Pregnancy Testing: To prevent unplanned exposure during pregnancy, females of reproductive potential should have a serum or urine pregnancy test with a sensitivity of at least 25 mll/m. Immediately before starting mycophenolate mofetil. Another pregnancy test with the same sensitivity should be done 8 to 10 days later. Repeat pregnancy tests should be performed during routine follow-up visits. Results of all pregnancy tests should be discussed with the patient.

In the event of a positive pregnancy test, females should be counseled with regard to whether the maternal benefits of mycophe-nolate treatment may outweigh the risks to the fetus in certain situations.

Contraception: Females of reproductive potential taking mycophenolate mofetil must receive contraceptive counseling and use acceptable contraception (see Table 8 for acceptable contraception methods). Patients must use acceptable birth control during entire mycophenolate mofetil therapy, and for 6 weeks after stopping mycophenolate mofetil, unless the patient chooses abstinence (she chooses to avoid heterosexual intercourse completely).

Patients should be aware that mycophenolate mofetil reduces blood levels of the hormones in the oral contraceptive pill and could theoretically reduce its effectiveness (see PRECAUTIONS: Information for Patients and PRECAUTIONS: Drug Interactions: Oral

Table 8 Acceptable Contraception Methods for Females of Reproductive Potential

Pick from the following birth control options:	•
Option 1	
Methods to Use Alone	Intrauterine devices (IUDs)
	Tubal sterilization
	Patient's partner had a vasertomy

Option 2	Hormone Methods		Barrier Methods
	choose 1		choose 1
Choose One Hormone Method AND One Barrier Method	Estrogen and Progesterone  Oral contraceptive pill  Transdermal patch  Vaginal ring  Progesterone-Only  Injection  Implant	AND	Diaphragm with spermicide     Cervical cap with spermicide     Contraceptive sponge     Male condom     Female condom

Option 3	Barrier Methods		Barrier Methods
	choose 1		choose 1
Choose One Barrier Method from Each Column (must choose two methods)	Diaphragm with spermicide     Cervical cap with spermicide     Contraceptive sponge	AND	Male condom     Female condom

**Pregnancy Planning:** For patients who are considering pregnancy, consider alternative immunosuppressa embryofetal toxicity. Risks and benefits of mycophenolate mofetil should be discussed with the patient.

**Gastrointestinal Disorders:** Gastrointestinal bleeding (requiring hospitalization) has been observed in approximately 3% of renal, in 1.7% of cardiac and in 5.4% of hepatic transplant patients treated with mycophenolate mofetil 3 g daily. In pediatric renal transplant patients, 5/148 cases of gastrointestinal bleeding (requiring hospitalization) were observed. Gastrointestinal perforations have rarely been observed. Most patients receiving mycophenolate mofetil were also receiving other

drugs known to be associated with these complications. Patients with active peptic ulcer disease were excluded from e studies with mycophenolate mofetil. Because mycophenolate mofetil has been associated with an increased incidence of d tem adverse events, including infrequent cases of gastrointestinal tract ulceration, hemorrhage and perforation, mycophen should be administered with caution in patients with active serious digestive system disease.

Patients with Renal Impairment: Subjects with severe chronic renal impairment (GFR < 25 mL/min/1.73 m²) who have received single doses of mycophenolate mofetil showed higher plasma MPA and MPAG AUCs relative to subjects with lesser degrees of renal impairment or normal healthy volunteers. No data are available on the safety of long-term exposure to these levels of MPAG. Doses of mycophenolate mofetil greater than 1 g administered twice a day to renal transplant patients should be avoided and they should be carefully observed (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY: Pharmacokinetics and DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION).

No data are available for cardiac or hepatic transplant patients with severe chronic renal impairment. Mycophenolate mofetil may be used for cardiac or hepatic transplant patients with severe chronic renal impairment if the potential benefits outweigh the potential

In patients with delayed renal graft function post-transplant, mean MPA AUC<sub>(0-12h)</sub> was comparable, but MPAG AUC<sub>(0-12h)</sub> was 2-fold to 3-fold higher, compared to that seen in post-transplant patients without delayed renal graft function. In the three controlled studies of prevention of renal rejection, there were 298 of 1,483 patients (20%) with delayed graft function. Although patients with delayed graft function have a higher incidence of certain adverse events (anemia, thrombocytopenia, hyperkalemia) than patients without delayed graft function, these events were not more frequent in patients receiving mycopl azathioprine or placebo. No dose adjustment is recommended for these patients; however, they should be carefully observed (see

Infections in Cardiac Transplant Patients: In cardiac transplant patients, the overall incidence of opportunistic infections was opproximately 10% higher in patients treated with mycophenolate mofetil than in those receiving azathioprine therapy, but this dif-erence was not associated with excess mortality due to infection/sepsis among patients treated with mycophenolate mofetil (see

There were more herpes virus (H. simplex, H. zoster and cytomegalovirus) infections in cardiac transplant patients treated with red to those treated with azathioprine (see ADVERSE REACTIONS). Concomitant Medications: It is recommended that mycophenolate mofetil not be administered concomitantly with azathioprin

because both have the potential to cause bone marrow suppression and such concomitant administration has not been studied In view of the significant reduction in the AUC of MPA by cholestyramine, caution should be used in the concomitant adm

tion of mycophenolate mofetil with drugs that interfere with enterohepatic recirculation because of the potential to reduce the efficacy of mycophenolate mofetil (see PRECAUTIONS: Drug Interactions).

Patients with HCPRT Deficiency: On theoretical grounds, because mycophenolate mofetil is an IMPDH (inosine monophosphate dehydrogenase) inhibitor, it should be avoided in patients with rare hereditary deficiency of hypoxanthine-guanine phosphoribosyl-trans-

ferase (HGPRT) such as Lesch-Nyhan and Kelley-Seegmiller syndrome

Immunizations: During treatment with mycophenolate mofetil, the use of live attenuated vaccines should be avoided and patients should be advised that vaccinations may be less effective (see PRECAUTIONS: Drug Interactions: Live Vaccines).

- Information for Patients: See Medication Guide Inform females of reproductive potential that use of mycophenolate mofetil during pregnancy is associated with an increased risk inform lemanes or regionatory becomes the many important and a more under the regionalty is associated with a managed this of forest trinester pregnancy loss and an increased risk of congenital malformations, and advise them as to the appropriate steps to manage these risks, including that they must use acceptable contraception (see WARNINGS: Embryofetal Toxicity and PRECAUTIONS: Pregnancy Exposure Prevention and Planning).
- Discuss pregnancy testing, pregnancy prevention and planning with females of reproductive potential. In the event of a positive pregnancy test, females should be counseled with regard to whether the maternal benefits of mycophenolate treatment may out-weigh the risks to the fetus in certain situations.
  - Females of reproductive potential must use acceptable birth control during entire mycophenolate mofetil therapy and for 6 weeks after stopping mycophenolate mofetil, unless the patient chooses to avoid heterosexual intercourse completely (abstine PRECAUTIONS: Pregnancy Exposure Prevention and Planning: Table 8).
  - For patients who are considering pregnancy, discuss appropriate alternative immunosuppressants with less potential for embryofetal toxicity. Risks and benefits of mycophenolate mofetil should be discussed with the patient.
  - Give patients complete dosage instructions and inform them about the increased risk of lymphoproliferative disease and certain other malignancies.
  - Inform patients that they need repeated appropriate laboratory tests while they are taking mycophenolate mofetil. Advise patients that they should not breast-feed during mycophenolate mofetil therapy.

Laboratory Tests: Complete blood counts should be performed weekly during the first month, twice monthly for the second and third months of treatment, then monthly through the first year (see WARNINGS, ADVERSE REACTIONS and DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION). Drug Interactions: Drug interaction studies with mycophenolate mofetil have been conducted with acyclovir, antacids, cholestyramine, cyclosporine, ganciclovir, oral contraceptives, sevelame, trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole, norfloxacin and metronidazole. Drug interaction studies have not been conducted with other drugs that may be commonly administered to renal, cardiac or hepatic transplant patients. Mycophenolate mofetil has not been administered concomitantly with azathioprine.

Acyclovir: Coadministration of mycophenolate mofetil (1 g) and acyclovir (800 mg) to 12 healthy volunteers resulted in no significant change in MPA AUC and C<sub>max</sub>. However, MPAG and acyclovir plasma AUCs were increased 10.6% and 21.9%, respectively. Because MPAG plasma concentrations are increased in the presence of renal impariment, as are acyclovir contrations, the potential exists for mycophenolate and acyclovir or its prodrug (e.g., valacyclovir) to compete for tubular secretion, further increasing the

Antacids with Magnesium and Aluminum Hydroxides: Absorption of a single-dose of mycophenolate mofetil (2 g) was decreased when administered to ten rheumatoid arthritis patients also taking Maalox® TC (10 mL qid). The C<sub>max</sub> and AUC<sub>(0,24h)</sub> for MPA were 33% and 17% lower, respectively, than when mycophenolate mofetil was administered alone under fasting conditions. Mycophenolate mofetil may be administered to patients who are also taking antacids containing magnesium and aluminum hydroxides, however, it is recommended that mycophenolate mofetil and the antacid not be administered simultaneously.

Troton Pump Inhibitors (PPIs): Coadministration of PPIs (e.g., lansoprazole, pantoprazole) in single doses to healthy volunteers and multiple doses to transplant patients receiving mycophenolite mofetil has been reported to reduce the exposure to mycophenolic acid (MPA). An approximate reduction of 30% to 70% in the C<sub>max</sub> and 25% to 35% in the AUC of MPA has been observed, possibly due to a decrease in MPA solubility at an increased gastric pH. The clinical impact of reduced MPA exposure on organ rejection ha not been established in transplant patients receiving PPIs and mycophenolate mofetil. Because clinical relevance has not been established, PPIs should be used with caution when coadministered to transplant patients being treated with mycophenolate mofetil. 

\*Cholestyramine:\* Following single-dose administration of 1.5 g mycophenolate mofetil to 12 healthy volunteers pretreated with 4 g tid of cholestyramine for 4 days, MPA AUC decreased approximately 40%. This decrease is consistent with interruption of enterohepatic recirculation which may be due to binding of recirculating MPAG with cholestyramine in the intestine. Therefore, mycophenolate mofetil is not recommended to be given with cholestyramine or other agents that may interfere with enterohepatic recirculation. Cyclosporine: Cyclosporine (Sandimmune®) pharmacokinetics (at doses of 275 to 415 mg/day) were unaffected by single and multiple doses of 1.5 g bid of mycophenolate mofetil in ten stable renal transplant patients. The mean  $(\pm$  SD) AUC<sub>(0-12h)</sub> and C<sub>max</sub> of cyclosporine after 14 days of multiple doses of mycophenolate mofetil were 3290  $(\pm$  822) ng • h/mL and 753  $(\pm$  161) ng/mL, respectively, compared to 3245  $(\pm$  1088) ng • h/mL and 700  $(\pm$  246) ng/mL, respectively, one week before administration of mycophenolate mofetil.

In renal transplant patients, mean MPA exposure (AUC<sub>0.126</sub>) was approximately 30% to 50% greater when mycophenolate mofetil is administered without cyclosporine compared with when mycophenolate mofetil is coadministered with cyclosporine. This interac-tion is due to cyclosporine inhibition of multidrug-resistance-associated protein 2 (MRP-2) transporter in the biliary tract, thereby preventing the exerction of MPA into the bile that would lead to enterohepatic recirculation of MPA. This information should be taken into consideration when MMF is used without cyclosporine.

into consideration when MMF is used without cyclosporine. **Banciclovir**: Following single-dose administration to 12 stable renal transplant patients, no pharmacokinetic interaction was observed between mycophenolate mofetil (1.5 g) and intravenous ganciclovir (5 mg/kg). Mean ( $\pm$  SD) ganciclovir AUC and C<sub>max</sub> (n = 10) were 54.3 ( $\pm$  1.9) mcg  $\pm$  h/m and 11.5 ( $\pm$  1.8) mcg/mL, respectively, after coadministration of the two drugs, compared to 51 ( $\pm$  17) mcg  $\pm$  h/m and 10.6 ( $\pm$  2) mcg/mL, respectively, after administration of intravenous ganciclovine. The mean ( $\pm$  SD) AUC and C<sub>max</sub> of MPA (n = 12) after coadministration were 80.9 ( $\pm$  21.6) mcg  $\pm$  h/mL and 27.8 ( $\pm$  13.9) mcg/mL, respectively, compared to values of 80.3 ( $\pm$  16.4) mcg  $\pm$  h/mL and 30.9 ( $\pm$  11.2) mcg/mL, respectively, after administration of mycophenolate mofetil alone. Because MPAG plasma concentrations are increased in the presence of renal impairment, as are ganciclovir concentrations, the two drugs will compete for tubular secretion and thus further increases in concentrations of both drugs may occur. In patients with renal impairment in which mycophenolate mofetil and ganciclovir or its prodrug (e.g., valganciclovir) are coadministered, patients should be monitored carefully. patients should be monitored carefully.

Oral Contracentives: A study of coadministration of mycophenolate mofetil (1 g bid) and combined oral contracentives containing thinylestradiol (0.02 mg to 0.04 mg) and levonorgestrel (0.05 mg to 0.20 mg), desogestrel (0.15 mg) or gestodene (0.05 mg to 0.01 mg) was conducted in 18 women with psoriasis over three consecutive menstrual cycles. Mean AUC<sub>0.24h</sub> was similar for ethinylestradiol and 3-keto desogestrel, however, mean levonorgestrel AUC<sub>0.24h</sub> significantly decreased but 15%. There was large inter-patient variability (%CV in the range of 60% to 70%) in the data, especially for ethinylestradiol. Mean serum levels of LH, FSH and progesterone were not significantly affected. Mycophenolate mofetii may not have any influence on the ovulation-sup-pressing action of the studied oral contraceptives. It is recommended to coadminister mycophenolate mofetil with hormonal con-traceptives (e.g., birth control pill, transdermal patch, vaginal ring, injection and implant) with caution and additional barrier con-traceptive methods must be used (see PRECAUTIONS: Pregnancy Exposure Prevention and Planning).

Sevelamer: Concomitant administration of sevelamer and mycophenolate mofetil in adult and pediatric patients decreased the mean MPA C<sub>max</sub> and AUC<sub>0-12h</sub> by 36% and 26% respectively. This data suggest that sevelamer and other calcium free phosphate binders should not be administered simultaneously with mycophenolate mofetil. Alternatively, it is recommended that sevelamer and other calcium free phosphate binders preferentially could be given 2 hours after mycophenolate mofetil intake to minimize the impact on the absorption of MPA.

Trimethorim/Sulfamethoxazole: Following single-dose administration of mycophenolate mofetil (1.5 g) to 12 healthy male volunteers no day 8 of a 10 day course of trimethoprim 160 mg/sulfamethoxazole 800 mg administered bid, no effect on the bioavailability of MPA was observed. The mean  $(\pm$  SD) AUC and  $C_{max}$  of MPA after concomitant administration were 75.2  $(\pm$  19.8) mcg\*h/mL and 34  $(\pm$  6.6) mcg/mL, respectively, compared to 79.2  $(\pm$  27.9) mcg\*h/mL and 34.2  $(\pm$  10.7) mcg/mL, respectively, after administration of mycophenolate mofetil alone.

of mycophenolate moretin alone. Norfloxacin and Metronidazole: Following single-dose administration of mycophenolate mofetil (1 g) to 11 healthy volunteers on day 4 of a 5 day course of a combination of norfloxacin and metronidazole, the mean MPA AUC<sub>0-48h</sub> was significantly reduced by 33% compared to the administration of mycophenolate mofetil alone (p < 0.05). Therefore, mycophenolate mofetil is not recommended to be given with the combination of norfloxacin and metronidazole. There was no significant effect on mean MPA AUC<sub>0-48h</sub> when mycophenolate mofetil was concomitantly administered with norfloxacin or metronidazole separately. The mean ( $\pm$  SD) MPA AUC<sub>0-48h</sub> after coadministration of mycophenolate mofetil with norfloxacin or metronidazole separately was 48.3 ( $\pm$  24) mcg\*h/mL and 42.7 ( $\pm$  23) mcg\*h/mL, respectively, compared with 56.2 ( $\pm$  24) mcg\*h/mL after administration of mycophenolate mofetil alone

Ciprofloxacin and Amoxicillin plus Clavulanic Acid: A total of 64 mycophenolate mofetil-treated renal transplant recipients received Cupronoxacin and annoxicinin plus Curavulanic Acids: A total of 64 mycophenolate moletul-related relail transplant recipients received either oral ciprofloxacin 500 mg bid or a moxicillin plus calvulanic acid 375 mg tid for 7 days or at least 14 days. Approximately 50% reductions in median trough MPA concentrations (pre-dose) from baseline (mycophenolate mofetil alone) were observed in 3 days following commencement of oral ciprofloxacin or amoxicillin plus clavulanic acid. These reductions in trough MPA concentrations tended to diminish within 14 days of antibiotic therapy and ceased within 3 days after discontinuation of antibiotics. The postulated mechanism for this interaction is an antibiotic-induced reduction in glucuronidase-possessing enteric organisms leading to a decrease in enterohepatic recirculation of MPA. The change in trough level may not accurately represent changes in overall MPA exp

sure; therefore, clinical relevance of these observations is unclear.

Ritampin: In a single heart-lung transplant patient, after correction for dose, a 67% decrease in MPA exposure (AUC<sub>0-12h</sub>) has been observed with concomitant administration of mycophenolate mofetil and rifampin. Therefore, mycophenolate mofetil is not reco mended to be given with rifampin concomitantly unless the benefit outweighs the risk.

Other Interactions: The measured value for renal clearance of MPAG indicates removal occurs by renal tubular secretion as well as glomerular filtration. Consistent with this, coadministration of probenecid, a known inhibitor of tubular secretion, with mycophenolate mofetil in monkeys results in a 3-fold increase in plasma MPAG AUC. Thus, other drugs known to undergo renal tubular secretion may compete with MPAG and thereby raise plasma concentrations of MPAG or the othe rug undergoing tubular secretion.

Drugs that after the gastrointestinal flora may interact with mycophenolate mofetil by disrupting enterohepatic recirculation. Iterference of MPAG hydrolysis may lead to less MPA available for absorption.

Live Vaccines: During treatment with mycophenolate mofetil, the use of live attenuated vaccines should be avoided and patients should be advised that vaccinations may be less effective (see PRECAUTIONS: Immunizations). Influenza vaccination may be of value. Prescribers should refer to national guidelines for influenza vaccination. Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility: In a 104-week oral carcinogenicity study in mice, mycophenolate mofetil in daily doses up to 180 mg/kg was not tumorigenic. The highest dose tested was 0.5 times the recommended clinical dose (2 g/day) in renal transplant patients and 0.3 times the recommended clinical dose (3 g/day) in cardiac transplant patients when corrected for differences in body surface area (BSA). In a 104-week oral carcinogenicity study in rats, mycophenolate mofetil in daily doses up

to 15 mg/kg was not tumorigenic. The highest dose was 0.08 times the recommended clinical dose in renal transplant patients and 0.05 times the recommended clinical dose in cardiac transplant natients when corrected for RSA. While these animal doses we lower than those given to patients, they were maximal in those species and were considered adequate to evaluate the potential for

The genotoxic potential of mycophenolate mofetil was determined in five assays. Mycophenolate mofetil was genotoxic in the ma/thymidine kinase assay and the in vivo mouse mic

Mycophenolate mofetil had no effect on fertility of male rats at oral doses up to 20 mg/kg/day. This dose represents 0.1 times the pended clinical dose in renal transplant patients and 0.07 times the recom when corrected for BSA. In a female fertility and reproduction study conducted in rats, oral doses of 4.5 mg/kg/day caused malforma-tions (principally of the head and eyes) in the first generation offspring in the absence of maternal toxicity. This dose was 0.02 times the recommended clinical dose in renal transplant patients and 0.01 times the recommended clinical dose in cardiac transplant patients when corrected for BSA. No effects on fertility or reproductive parameters were evident in the dams or in the subsequent generation. Pregnancy: Teratogenic Effects. Pregnancy Category D: (See WARNINGS section.)

Use of mycophenolate mofetil during pregnancy is associated with an increased risk of first trimester pregnancy loss and an increased risk of congenital malformations, especially external ear and other facial abnormalities including cleft lip and palate, and anomalies of the distal limbs, heart, esonbagus and kidney. In animal studies, congenital malformations and pregnancy loss occurre when pregnant rats and rabbits received mycophenolic acid at dose multiples similar to and less than clinical doses. If this drug is used during pregnancy, or if the patient becomes pregnant while taking this drug, the patient should be apprised of the potential hazard to



Risks and benefits of mycophenolate mofetil should be discussed with the patient. When appropriate, consider alternative immunosuppressants with less potential for embryofetal toxicity. In certain situations, the patient and her healthcare practitioner may decide that the maternal benefits outweigh the risks to the fetus. For those females using mycophenolate mofetil at any time during pregnancy and those becoming pregnant within 6 weeks of discontinuing therapy, the healthcare practitioner should report the pregnancy to the Mycophenolate Pregnancy Registry (1-800-617-8191). The healthcare practitioner should strongly encourage the patient to enroll in the pregnancy registry. The information provided to the registry will help the healthcare community better understand the effects of

programming registry in monitoring the registry in the National Transplant has been dead and as mycophenolate in pregnancy.

In the National Transplantation Pregnancy Registry (NTPR), there were data on 33 mycophenolate mofetil-exposed pregnancies in 42 transplant patients; there were 15 spontaneous abortions (45%) and 18 live-born infants. Four of these 18 infants had structural malformations (22%). In post-marketing data (collected 1995 to 2007) on 77 females exposed to systemic mycophenolate mofetil during pregnancy, 25 had spontaneous abortions and 14 had a malformed infant or fetus. Six of 14 malformed offspring had ear abnor might pegiality, 25 had spontaineous abortoins and 44 had a manoriment infant or iteus, 5 km i 4 manorimed or spring had are aborto-malities. Because these post-marketing data are reported voluntarily, it is not always possible to reliably estimate the frequency of particular adverse outcomes. These malformations are similar to findings in animal reproductive toxicology studies. For comparison, the background rate for congenital anomalies in the United States is about 3%, and NTPR data show a rate of 4% to 5% among babies born to organ transplant patients using other immunosuppressive drugs.

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In animal reproductive toxicology studies, there were increased rates of fetal resorptions and malformations in the absence of maternal toxicity. Female rats and rabbits received mycophenolate mofetil doses equivalent to 0.02 to 0.9 times the recommended human dose for renal and cardiac transplant patients, based on body surface area conversions. In rat offspring, malformations included anophthalmia, agnathia and hydrocephaly. In rabbit offspring, malformations included ectopia cordis, ectopic kidneys, dispharmatic bearing and weighting harvier. diaphragmatic hernia and umbilical hernia.

Nursing Mothers: Studies in rats treated with mycophenolate mofetil have shown mycophenolic acid to be excreted in milk. It is not known whether this drug is excreted in human milk. Because many drugs are excreted in human milk, and because of the potential for serious adverse reactions in nursing infraints from mycophenolate mofetil, a decision should be made whether to discontinue nursing or to discontinue the drug, taking into account the importance of the drug to the mother.

Pediatric Use: Based on pharmacokinetic and safety data in pediatric patients after renal transplantation, the recommended dose of mycophenolate mofetil oral suspension is 600 mg/m² bid (up to a maximum of 1 g bid). Also see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY, CLINICAL STUDIES, ADVERSE REACTIONS and DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION.

Safety and effectiveness in pediatric patients receiving allogeneic cardiac or hepatic transplants have not been established. Geriatric Use: Clinical studies of mycophenolate mofetil did not include sufficient numbers of subjects aged 65 and over to determine whether they respond differently from younger subjects. 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 cautious, renal or cardiac function and of concomitant or other drug therapy. Elderly patients may be at an increased risk of adverse reactions compared with younger individuals (see ADVERSE REACTIONS).

ADVERSE REACTIONS: The principal adverse reactions associated with the administration of mycophenolate mofetil include diarrhea leukopenia, sepsis, vomiting and there is evidence of a ligher frequency of certain types of infections e.g., opportunistic infectior (see WARNINGS: Infections and WARNINGS: Latent Viral Infections).

Mycophenolate Mofetil Oral: The incidence of adverse events for mycophenolate mofetil was determined in randomized, comparative, double-blind trials in prevention of rejection in renal (two active, one placebo-controlled trials), cardiac (one active-controlled trial) and hepatic (one active-controlled trial) transplant patients.

Geriatrics: Elderly patients (≥ 65 years), particularly those who are receiving mycophenolate mofetil as part of a combination bernatures treatly learness to the great state of the sta

Safety data are summarized below for all active-controlled trials in renal (two trials), cardiac (one trial) and hepatic (one trial) transplant patients. Approximately 53% of the renal patients, 65% of the cardiac patients and 48% of the hepatic patients have been treated for more than one year. Adverse events reported in  $\geq$  20% of patients in the mycophenolate mofetil treatment groups

Table 9 Adverse Events in Controlled Studies in Prevention of Renal, Cardiac or Hepatic Allograft Rejection (Reported in

		Renal Studies		Cardiac	Study	Hepatic	Study
	Mycophenolate Mofetil 2 g/day	Mycophenolate Mofetil 3 g/day	Azathioprine 1 to 2 mg/kg/day or 100 to 150 mg/day	Mycophenolate Mofetil 3 g/day	Azathioprine 1.5 to 3 mg/kg/day	Mycophenolate Mofetil 3 g/day	Azathioprino 1 to 2 mg/kg/day
	(n = 336)	(n = 330)	(n = 326)	(n = 289)	(n = 289)	(n = 277)	(n = 287)
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Body as a Whole							
Pain	33	31.2	32.2	75.8	74.7	74	77.7
Abdominal pain	24.7	27.6	23	33.9	33.2	62.5	51.2
Fever Headache	21.4 21.1	23.3 16.1	23.3 21.2	47.4 54.3	46.4 51.9	52.3 53.8	56.1 49.1
Infection	18.2	20.9	19.9	25.6	19.4	27.1	25.1
Sepsis	-	-	-	-	-	27.4	26.5
Asthenia	-	-	-	43.3	36.3	35.4	33.8
Chest pain	-	-	-	26.3	26	-	-
Back pain	-	-	-	34.6	28.4	46.6	47.4
Ascites Hematologic and Lymphatic	-	-	-	-	-	24.2	22.6
Anemia	25.6	25.8	23.6	42.9	43.9	43 45.8	53 39
Leukopenia Thrombocytopenia	23.2	34.5	24.8	30.4 23.5	39.1 27	45.8 38.3	42.2
Hypochromic							
anemia Leukocytosis	-	-	-	24.6 40.5	23.5 35.6	22.4	21.3
<b>Urogenital</b> Urinary tract							
infection Kidney function	37.2	37	33.7	21.8	26.3	25.6	28.9
abnormal Cardiovascular	_	_	_	21.0	20.3	25.0	20.3
Hypertension	32.4	28.2	32.2	77.5	72.3	62.1	59.6
Hypotension	-	-	-	32.5	36	-	-
Cardiovascular disorder	-	-	-	25.6	24.2	-	-
Tachycardia	-	-	-	20.1	18	22	15.7
Metabolic and Nutritional Peripheral edema	28.6	27	28.2	64	53.3	48.4	47.7
Hypercholesteremia	-	-	-	41.2	38.4	-	-
Edema	-	-	-	26.6	25.6	28.2	28.2
Hypokalemia	-	-	-	31.8	25.6	37.2	41.1
Hyperkalemia	-	-	-	- 40.7	-	22	23.7
Hyperglycemia Creatinine	-	-	-	46.7	52.6	43.7	48.8
increased	-	-	-	39.4	36	-	-
BUN increased	-	-	-	34.6	32.5	-	-
Lactic dehydrogenase increased	-	-	-	23.2	17	-	-
Hypomagnesemia	-	_	-	-	_	39	37.6
Hypocalcemia	-	-	-	-	-	30	30
Digestive							
Diarrhea	31	36.1	20.9	45.3	34.3	51.3	49.8
Constipation	22.9	18.5	22.4	41.2	37.7	37.9	38.3
Nausea	19.9	23.6	24.5	54	54.3	54.5	51.2
Dyspepsia	-	-	-	- 22.0	- 00.4	22.4	20.9
Vomiting Approxis	-	-	-	33.9	28.4	32.9 25.3	33.4 17.1
Anorexia Liver function tests abnormal	-	-	_	-	-	24.9	19.2
Respiratory							
Infection	22	23.9	19.6	37	35.3	-	-
Dyspnea	-	-	-	36.7	36.3	31	30.3
Cough increased	-	-	-	31.1	25.6	-	-
Lung disorder	-	-	-	30.1	29.1	22	18.8
Sinusitis Pleural effusion	-	-	-	26	19	34.3	35.9
Skin and	_	_	_	<del>-</del>	_	J4.J	33.3
Appendages Rash	_	-	_	22.1	18	-	_
Nervous System							
Tremor	-	-	-	24.2	23.9	33.9	35.5
Insomnia	-	-	-	40.8	37.7	52.3	47
Dizziness	-	-	-	28.7	27.7	-	-
Anxiety Paresthesia	-	_	-	28.4 20.8	23.9	-	-

The placebo-controlled renal transplant study generally showed fewer adverse events occurring in ≥ 20% of patients. In addition, those that occurred were not only qualitatively similar to the azathioprine-controlled renal transplant studies, but also occurred at lower rates, particularly for infection, leukopenia, hypertension, diarrhea and respiratory infection.

The above data demonstrate that in three controlled trials for prevention of renal rejection, patients receiving 2 g/day of mycophe-

nolate mofetil had an overall better safety profile than did patients receiving 3 g/day of mycophenolate mofetil. The above data demonstrate that the types of adverse events observed in multicenter controlled trials in renal, cardiac and

mofetil and in azathioprine-treated patients in cardiac and hepatic studies.

hepatic transplant patients are qualitatively similar except for those that are unique to the specific organ involved. Sepsis, which was generally cytomegalovirus viremia, was slightly more common in renal transplant patients treated with cophenolate mofetil compared to patients treated with azathioprine. The incidence of sepsis was comparable in mycophenolate

In the digestive system, diarrhea was increased in renal and cardiac transplant patients receiving mycophenolate mofetil com pared to patients receiving azathioprine, but was comparable in hepatic transplant patients treated with mycophenolate mofetil or

Patients receiving mycophenolate mofetil alone or as part of an immunosi ing lymphomas and other malignancies, particularly of the skin (see WARNINGS: Lymphoma and Malignancy). The incidence of ancies among the 1,483 patients treated in controlled trials for the prevention of renal allograft rejection who were followed

In any and the state of the st with other immunosuppressive agents in controlled clinical trials of renal, cardiac and hepatic transplant patients followed for a least one year (see WARNINGS: Lymphoma and Malignancy). Non-melanomas his carcinomas occurred in 1.6% to 4.2% of patients, other types of malignancy in 0.7% to 2.1% of patients. Three year safety data in renal and cardiac transplant patients did not reveal any unexpected changes in incidence of malignancy compared to the one year data.

n pediatric patients, no other malignancies besides lymphoproliferative disorder (2/148 patients) have been observed. Severe neutropenia (ANC < 0.5 x 10<sup>3</sup>/µL) developed in up to 2% of renal transplant patients, up to 2.8% of cardiac transplan

patients and up to 3.6% of hepatic transplant patients receiving mycophenolate mofetil 3 g daily (see WARNINGS: Neutropenia, PRE-CAUTIONS: Laboratory Tests and DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION). All transplant patients are at increased risk of opportunistic infections. The risk increases with total immunosuppressive load

(see WARNINGS: Infections and WARNINGS: Latent Viral Infections). Table 10 shows the incidence of opportunistic infections that occurred in the renal, cardiac and hepatic transplant populations in the azathioprine-controlled prevention trials:

## Table 10 Viral and Fungal Infections in Controlled Studies in Prevention of Renal, Cardiac or Hepatic Transplant

	Renal Studies			Cardiac Study		Hepatic Study	
	Mycophenolate Mofetil 2 g/day	Mycophenolate Mofetil 3 g/day	Azathioprine 1 to 2 mg/kg/day or 100 to 150 mg/day	Mycophenolate Mofetil 3 g/day	Azathioprine 1.5 to 3 mg/kg/day	Mycophenolate Mofetil 3 g/day	Azathioprine 1 to 2 mg/kg/day
	(n = 336)	(n = 330)	(n = 326)	(n = 289)	(n = 289)	(n = 277)	(n = 287)
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Herpes simplex	16.7	20	19	20.8	14.5	10.1	5.9
CMV							
- Viremia/syndrome	13.4	12.4	13.8	12.1	10	14.1	12.2
- Tissue invasive disease	8.3	11.5	6.1	11.4	8.7	5.8	8
Herpes zoster	6	7.6	5.8	10.7	5.9	4.3	4.9
- Cutaneous disease	6	7.3	5.5	10	5.5	4.3	4.9
Candida	17	17.3	18.1	18.7	17.6	22.4	24.4
- Mucocutaneous	15.5	16.4	15.3	18	17.3	18.4	17.4

The following other opportunistic infections occurred with an incidence of less than 4% in mycophenolate mofetil patients in the above azathioprine-controlled studies; Herpes zoster, visceral disease; Candida, urinary tract infection, fungemia/disseminated dis

ease, tissue invasive disease; Cryptococcosis; Aspergillus/Mucor; Pneumocytis carinii.

In the placebo-controlled renal transplant study, the same pattern of opportunistic infection was observed compared to the azathioprine-controlled renal studies, with a notably lower incidence of the following: Herpes simplex and CMV tissue-invasiv

In patients receiving mycophenolate mofetil (2 g or 3 g) in controlled studies for prevention of renal, cardiac or hepatic rejection fatal infection/sepsis occurred in approximately 2% of renal and cardiac patients and in 5% of hepatic patients (see WARNINGS

In cardiac transplant patients, the overall incidence of opportunistic infections was approximately 10% higher in patients treated with mycophenolate mofetil than in those receiving azathioprine, but this difference was not associated with excess mortality due to infection/sensis among patients treated with mycophenolate mofetil.

The following adverse events were reported with 3% to < 20% incidence in renal, cardiac and hepatic transplant patients treated with mycophenolate mofetil, in combination with cyclosporine and corticosteroids.

Body System				
Body as a Whole	abdomen enlarged, abscess, accidental injury, cellulitis, chills occurring with fever, cyst, far edema, flu syndrome, hemorrhage, hernia, lab test abnormal, malaise, neck pain, pelvic pain, per tonitis			
Hematologic and Lymphatic	coagulation disorder, ecchymosis, pancytopenia, petechia, polycythemia, prothrombin tim increased, thromboplastin time increased			
Urogenital	acute kidney failure, albuminuria, dysuria, hydronephrosis, hematuria, impotence, kidney failur kidney tubular necrosis, nocturia, oliguria, pain, prostatic disorder, pyelonephritis, scrotal edem urine abnormality, urinary frequency, urinary incontinence, urinary retention, urinary tract disord			
Cardiovascular	angina pectoris, arrhythmia, arterial thrombosis, atrial fibrillation, atrial flutter, bradycardia, cat diovascular disorder, congestive heart failure, extrasystole, heart arrest, heart failure, hypotension pallor, palpitation, pericardial effusion, peripheral vascular disorder, postural hypotension, pu monary hypertension, supraventricular tachycardia, supraventricular extrasystoles, syncopi tachycardia, thrombosis, vasodilatation, vasospasm, ventricular extrasystole, ventricular tachycardia, thrombosis, vasodilatation, vasospasm, ventricular extrasystole, ventricular tachycardia, venous pressure increased			
Metabolic and Nutritional	al abnormal healing, acidosis, alkaline phosphatase increased, alkalosis, bilirubinemia, creatinine increased, dehydration, gamma glutamyl transpeptidase increased, generalized edema, gout, hypercalcemia, hypercholesteremia, hyperlipemia, hyperphosphatemia, hyperuricemia, hypervolemia, hypocytemia, h			
Digestive	anorexia, cholangitis, cholestatic jaundice, dysphagia, esophagitis, flatulence, gastritis, gastroen teritis, gastrointestinal disorder, gastrointestinal hemorrhage, gastrointestinal moniliasis, gingivi tis, gum hyperplasia, hepatitis, ileus, infection, jaundice, liver damage, liver function tests abnor mal, melena, mouth ulceration, nausea and vomiting, oral moniliasis, rectal disorder, stomacl ulcer, stomatitis			
Respiratory	apnea, asthma, atelectasis, bronchitis, epistaxis, hemoptysis, hiccup, hyperventilation, lung edema, lung disorder, neoplasm, pain, pharyngitis, pleural effusion, pneumonia, pneumothorax, respiratory disorder, respiratory moniliasis, rhinitis, sinusitis, sputum increased, voice alteration			
Skin and Appendages	acne, alopecia, fungal dermatitis, hemorrhage, hirsutism, pruritus, rash, skin benign neopla skin carcinoma, skin disorder, skin hypertrophy, skin ulcer, sweating, vesiculobullous rash			
Nervous	agitation, anxiety, confusion, convulsion, delirium, depression, dry mouth, emotional lability, hal lucinations, hypertonia, hypesthesia, nervousness, neuropathy, paresthesia, psychosis, somno lence, thinking abnormal, vertigo			
Endocrine	Cushing's syndrome, diabetes mellitus, hypothyroidism, parathyroid disorder			
Musculoskeletal	arthralgia, joint disorder, leg cramps, myalgia, myasthenia, osteoporosis			
Special Senses	enses abnormal vision, amblyopia, cataract (not specified), conjunctivitis, deafness, ear disorder, e pain, eye hemorrhage, tinnitus, lacrimation disorder			

with mycophenolate mofetil oral suspension 600 mg/m² bid (up to 1 g bid) were generally similar to those observed in adult patients dosed with mycophenolate mofetil capsules at a dose of 1 g bid with the exception of abdominal pain, fever, infection, pain, sepsis diarrhea, vomiting, pharyngitis, respiratory tract infection, hypertension, leukopenia and anemia, which were observed in a higher

Post-Marketing Experience: Congenital Disorders: Embryofetal Toxicity: Congenital malformations and an increased incidence of pregnancy loss have been reported following exposure to mycophenolate mofetil during pregnancy (see PRECAUTIONS:

Digestive: Colitis (sometimes caused by cytomegalovirus), pancreatitis, isolated cases of intestinal villous atrophy. Hematologic and Lymphatic: Cases of pure red cell aplasia (PRCA) have been reported in patients treated with mycophenolate

mofetil in combination with other immunosuppressive agents. Infections: Serious life threatening infections such as meningitis and infectious endocarditis have been reported occasionally and there is evidence of a higher frequency of certain types of serious infections such as tuberculosis and alypical mycobacterial infection. Cases of progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy (PML), sometimes fatal, have been reported in patients treated with mycophenolate mofetil. The reported cases generally had risk factors for PML, including treatment with immunosuppressant therapies and impairment of immune function. BK virus-associated nephropathy has been observed in patients receiving immunosup pressants, including mycophenolate mofetil. This infection is associated with serious outcomes, including deteriorating renal func

tion and renal graft loss. Respiratory: Interstitial lung disorders, including fatal pulmonary fibrosis, have been reported rarely and should be considered in osis of pulmonary symptoms ranging from dyspnea to respiratory failure in post-transplant patie

OVERDOSAGE: The experience with overdose of mycophenolate mofetil in humans is very limited. The events received from reports of OVERDUSABLE: The experience with overdose of mycophenolate molecul in humans is very limited. The events received non-leports to overdose fall within the known safety profile of the drug. The highest dose administered to renal transplant patients in clinical trials has been 4 g/day. In limited experience with cardiac and hepatic transplant patients in clinical trials, the highest doses used were 4 g/day or 5 g/day. At doses of 4 g/day or 5 g/day, there appears to be a higher rate, compared to the use of 3 g/day or less, colerance (nausea, vomiting and/or diarrhea), and occasional hematologic abnormalities, principally neutrope , leading to a need to reduce or discontinue dosing.

Call your doctor right away if you have any of the following signs and symptoms of infection: In acute oral toxicity studies, no deaths occurred in adult mice at doses up to 4000 mg/kg or in adult monkeys at doses up to a ducte and underly studies, in deaths occurred in adult made at bases all provided in these species. These doses represent 1.1 times the recommended clinical dose in renal transplant patients and approximately 7 times the recommended clinical dose in cardiac transplant patients when corrected for BSA. In adult rats, deaths occurred after single oral doses of 500 mg/kg of mycophenolate mofetil. The dose represents approximately 3 times the recommended clinical dose in cardiac transplant patients when corrected

Mycophenolic acid (MPA) and MPAG (metabolized to form the phenolic glucuronide of MPA) are usually not removed by hemodialsis, However, at high MPAG plasma concentrations (> 100 mcg/mL), small amounts of MPAG are removed. By increasing excretion of the drug, MPA can be removed by bile acid sequestrants, such as cholestyramine (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: Renal Transplantation: Adults: A dose of 1 g administered orally twice a day (daily dose of 2 g) is DUSING AND INJURIES INTERPRETATION RELIEF ALBISPHARMORY AUGUST. AUGUST 18 COUNTING THE CAPTURE OF 2 g is recommended for use in renal transplant patients. Although a dose of 1.5 g administered twice daily (daily dose of 3 g) was used in clinical trials and was shown to be safe and effective, no efficacy advantage could be established for renal transplant patients. Patients receiving 2 g/day of mycophenolate mofetil demonstrated an overall better safety profile than did patients receiving 3 g/day

Pediatrics (3 Months to 18 years of Age): The recommended dose of mycophenolate mofetil oral suspension is 600 mg/m² adminis tered twice daily (up to a maximum daily dose of 2 g/10 mL oral suspension). Patients with a body surface area of 1.25 m² to 1.5 m² may be dosed with mycophenolate mofetil capsules at a dose of 750 mg twice daily (1.5 g daily dose). Patients with a body surface area > 1.5 m<sup>2</sup> may be dosed with mycophenolate mofetil capsules or tablets at a dose of 1 g twice daily (2 g daily dose) Cardiac Transplantation: Adults: A dose of 1.5 g bid oral (daily dose of 3 g) is recommended for use in adult cardiac transplant

Hepatic Transplantation: Adults: A dose of 1.5 g bid oral (daily dose of 3 g) is recommended for use in adult hepatic transplant

Mycophenolate Mofetil Capsules and Tablets: The initial oral dose of mycophenolate mofetil should be given as soon as possible lowing renal, cardiac or hepatic transplantation. Food had no effect on MPA AUC, but has been shown to decrease MPA C<sub>max</sub> by %. Therefore, it is recommended that mycophenolate mofetil be administered on an empty stomach. However, in stable renal insplant patients, mycophenolate mofetil may be administered with food if necessary.

Patients should be instructed to take a missed dose as soon as they remember, except if it is near the next scheduled dose, and then continue to take mycophenolate mofetil at the usual times.

Patients with Hepatic Impairment: No dose adjustments are recommended for renal patients with severe hepatic parenchymal dis-

ease. However, it is not known whether dose adjustments are needed for hepatic disease with other etiologies (see CLINICAL PHAR-

No data are available for cardiac transplant patients with severe hepatic parenchymal disease Geriatrics: The recommended oral dose of 1 g bid for renal transplant patients, 1.5 g bid for cardiac transplant patients and 1.5 g bid administered orally in hepatic transplant patients is appropriate for elderly patients (see PRECAUTIONS: Geriatric Use).

**Dosage Adjustments:** In renal transplant nations with severe chronic renal impairment (GFR < 25 ml/min/1 73 m<sup>2</sup>) outside the immediate post-transplant period, doses of mycophenolate mofetil greater than 1 g administered twice and ady should be avoided. These patients should also be carefully observed. No dose adjustments are needed in renal transplant patients experiencing delayed graft function postoperatively (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY: Pharmacokinetics and PRECAUTIONS: Patients with Renal

No data are available for cardiac or hepatic transplant patients with severe chronic renal impairment. Mycophenolate mofetil may be used for cardiac or hepatic transplant patients with severe chronic renal impairment if the potential benefits outweigh the potential risks.

If neutropenia develops (ANC  $< 1.3 \times 10^3 / \mu$ L), dosing with mycophenolate mofetil should be interrupted or the dose reduced, appropriate diagnostic tests performed and the patient managed appropriately (see WARNINGS: Neutropenia, ADVERSE REACTIONS and PRECAUTIONS: Laboratory Tests).

HANDLING AND DISPOSAL: Mycophenolate mofetil has demonstrated teratogenic effects in rats and rabbits (see PRECAUTIONS) Pregnancy and WARNINGS: Embryofetal Toxicity). Mycophenolate mofetil tablets should not be crushed and mycophenolate mofetil capsules should not be opened or crushed. Avoid inhalation or direct contact with skin or mucous membranes of the powder conained in mycophenolate mofetil capsules. If such contact occurs, wash thoroughly with soap and water; rinse eyes with plain water Should a spill occur, wipe up using paper towels wetted with water to remove spilled powder.

HOW SUPPLIED: Mycophenolate Mofetil Cansules, USP are available containing 250 mg of mycophenolate mofetil, USP. The 250 mg capsule is a caramel opaque cap/lavender opaque body, hard-shell gelatin capsule filled with white to off-white pow-der. The capsule is axially printed with MYLAN over 2250 in black ink on both the cap and body. They are available as follows:

NDC 0378-2250-01

NDC 0378-2250-05 bottles of 500 capsules

Mycophenolate Mofetil Tablets, USP are available containing 500 mg of mycophenolate mofetil, USP,

The 500 mg tablet is a light pink film-coated, oval, unscored tablet debossed with MYLAN on one side of the tablet and 472 on the other side. They are available as follows

> bottles of 100 tablets NDC 0378-4472-05 bottles of 500 tablets

Store at 20° to 25°C (68° to 77°F). [See USP Controlled Room Temperature.]

Dispense in a tight, light-resistant container as defined in the USP using a child-resistant closure.

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## MEDICATION GUIDE MYCOPHENOLATE MOFETIL CAPSULES, USP MYCOPHENOLATE MOFETIL TABLETS, USP (mye" koe fen' oh late moe' fe til)

Read the Medication Guide that comes with mycophenolate mofetil capsules and mycophenolate mofetil tablets before you start taking it and each time you refill your prescription. There may be new information. This Medication Guide does not take the place of talk ing with your doctor about your medical condition or your treatment.

### What is the most important information I should know about mycophenolate mofetil?

- Mycophenolate mofetil can cause serious side effects: Increased risk of loss of a pregnancy (miscarriage) and higher risk of birth defects. Females who take mycophenolate mofetil during pregnancy have a higher risk of miscarriage during the first 3 months (first trimester), and a higher risk that their baby will be born with birth defects.
- If you are a female who can become pregnant: • Your doctor must talk with you about acceptable birth control methods (contraceptive counseling) to use while taking
- mycophenolate mofetil
- You should have one pregnancy test immediately before starting mycophenolate mofetil and another pregnancy test 8 to 10 days later. Pregnancy tests should be repeated during routine follow-up visits with your doctor. Talk to your doctor about the results of all of your pregnancy tests.
- You must use acceptable birth control during your entire mycophenolate mofetil therapy and for 6 weeks after stopping mycophenolate mofetil, unless at any time you choose to avoid sexual intercourse (abstinence) with a man completely. Mycophenolate mofetil decreases blood levels of the hormones in birth control pills that you take by mouth. Birth control mycophenotaer iniotrae uecleases own event of initional or in it control in the your take by mount. But it control pills may not work as well while you take mycophenolate mofetil, and you could become pregnant. If you take birth control pills while using mycophenolate mofetil you must also use another form of birth control. Talk to your doctor about other birth control methods that you can use while taking mycophenolate mofetil

If you plan to become pregnant, talk with your doctor. Your doctor will decide if other medicines to prevent rejection may If you become pregnant while taking mycophenolate mofetil, do not stop taking mycophenolate mofetil. Call your

doctor right away. In certain situations, you and your doctor may decide that tant to your health than the possible risks to your unborn baby.

You and your doctor should report your pregnancy to:

- Mycophenolate Pregnancy Registry (1-800-617-8191)
- Mylan Pharmaceuticals Inc. at 1-877-446-3679 (1-877-4-INFO-RX) The purpose of this registry is to gather information about the health of you and your baby.
- Increased risk of getting serious infections. Mycophenolate mofetil weakens the body's immune system and affects your
- ons. Serious infections can happen with mycophenolate mofetil and can lead to death. Types of infec
- Viral infections. Certain viruses can live in your body and cause active infections when your immune system is weak. Viral infections that can happen with mycophenolate mofetil include:

  Shingles, other herpes infections and cytomegalovirus (CMV). CMV can cause serious tissue and blood infections.
- BK virus, BK virus can affect how your kidney works and cause your transplanted kidney to fail.
- A brain infection called Progressive Multicoal Leukoencephalopathy (PML). In some patients, mycophenolate mofetil may cause an infection of the brain that may cause death. You are at risk for this brain infection because you have a weakened immune system. You should tell your doctor right away if you have any of the following symptoms:
- You do not care about things that you usually care about (anathy).
- You are confused or have problems thinking. You can not control your muscles.
- Fungal infections. Yeasts and other types of fungal infections can happen with mycophenolate mofetil and can cause serious tissue and blood infections (see "What are the possible side effects of mycophenolate mofetil?").
- Temperature of 100.5°F or greater Cold symptoms, such as a runny nose or sore throat
- Flu symptoms, such as an upset stomach, stomach pain, vomiting or diarrhea

- Pain during urination
- White patches in the mouth or throat
- Unexpected bruising or bleeding
   Cuts, scrapes or incisions that are red, warm and oozing pus
- Increased risk of getting certain cancers. People who take mycophenolate mofetil have a higher risk of getting lymphoma.
- and other cancers, especially skin cancer. Tell your doctor if you have:

  unexplained fever, prolonged tiredness, weight loss or lymph node swelling • a brown or black skin lesion with uneven borders, or one part of the lesion does not look like the other
- · a change in the size and color of a mole
- a new skin lesion or humn
- any other changes to your health See the section "What are the possible side effects of mycophenolate mofetil?" for information about other serious side

#### What is mycophenolate mofetil?

Mycophenolate mofetil is a prescription medicine to prevent rejection (antirejection medicine) in people who have received a kidney, heart or liver transplant. Rejection is when the body's immune system perceives the new organ as a "foreign" threat and

henolate mofetil is used with other medicines called cyclosporine (Sandimmune®†, Gengraf®†, Neoral®†) and cort Mycophenolate mofetil has been used safely and works in children who received a kidney transplant as it does in adults. It is not known if mycophenolate mofetil is safe and works in children who receive a heart or liver transplant

## Who should not take mycophenolate mofetil?

Do not take mycophenolate mofetii (you are allergic to mycophenolate mofetii or any of the ingredients in mycophenolate mofetii capsules and tablets. See the end of this Medication Guide for a complete list of ingredients in mycophenolate mofetii capsules. sules and tablets.

#### What should I tell my doctor before taking mycophenolate mofetil

Tell your doctor about all of your medical conditions, if you:

- have any digestive problems, such as ulcers have Lesch-Nyhan or Kelley-Seegmiller syndrome or another rare inherited deficiency hypoxanthine-guanine phospho-ribosyl-transferase (HGPRT). You should not take mycophenolate mofetil if you have one of these disorders.
- plan to receive any vaccines. People taking mycophenolate mofetil should not take live vaccines. Some vaccines may not
- are pregnant or are planning to become pregnant. See "What is the most important information I should know about
- are breast-feeding or plan to breast-feed. It is not known if mycophenolate mofetil passes into breast milk. You and your doctor will decide if you will take mycophenolate mofetil or breast-feed.

Tell your healthcare provider about all of the medicines you are taking including prescription and nonprescription medicines, vitamins and herbal supplements. Some medicines may affect the way mycophenolate mofetil works, and mycophenolate mofeti

- may affect how some medicines work. Especially tell your doctor if you take: birth control pills (oral contraceptives). See "What is the most important information I should know about mycophenolate
- sevelamer (Renagel®†, Renyela<sup>TM†</sup>). These products should be taken 2 hours after taking mycophenolate mofetil
- $\bullet \ \ \text{acyclovir} \ (\text{Zovirax}^{\circledast \dagger}), \ \text{valacyclovir} \ (\text{Valtrex}^{\circledast \dagger}), \ \text{ganciclovir} \ (\text{Cytovene}^{\circledast \dagger} \text{IV}, \ \text{Vitrasert}^{\circledast \dagger}), \ \text{valganciclovir} \ (\text{Valcyte}^{\circledast \dagger}) \ \text{valganciclovir} \ (\text{Valcyte}^{\circledast \dagger}) \ \text{valganciclovir} \ (\text{Valcyte}^{\otimes \dagger}) \ \text{valganciclovir} \ (\text{Valcyte}^{\otimes \dagger}) \ \text{valganciclovir} \ (\text{Valcyte}^{\otimes \dagger}) \ \text{valganciclovir} \ \text{valg$
- rifampin (Rifater®†, Rifamate®†, Rimactane®†, Rifadin®†) antacids that contain magnesium and aluminum (mycophenolate mofetil and the antacid should not be taken at the same
- proton pump inhibitors (PPIs) (Prevacid®† Protoniv®†)
- sulfamethoxazole/trimethoprim (Bactrim™†, Bactrim DS™†)
- norfloxacin (Noroxin®†) and metronidazole (Flagyl®†, Flagyl®† ER, Flagyl®† IV, Metro† IV, Helidac®†, Pylera™†)
   ciprofloxacin (Cipro®†, Cipro®† XR, Ciloxan®†, Proquin®† XR) and amoxicillin plus clavulanic acid (Augmentin®†,
- Augmentin XR<sup>™†</sup>)
- azathioprine (Azasan®†, Imuran®†) • cholestyramine (Questran Light®†, Questran®†, Locholest Light†, Locholest†, Prevalite®†)

Know the medicines you take. Keep a list of them to show to your doctor or nurse and pharmacist when you get a new medicine. Do not take any new medicine without talking with your doctor.

#### How should I take mycophenolate mofetil?

- Take mycophenolate mofetil exactly as prescribed. Do not stop taking mycophenolate mofetil or change the dose unless your doctor tells you to.
- · If you miss a dose of mycophenolate mofetil, or are not sure when you took your last dose, take the regular amount of cophenolate mofetil prescribed as soon as you remember. If it is time for your next dose, skip the missed dose and take ur next dose at your normal scheduled time. Do not take two doses at the same time. Call your doctor if you are not sure
- . Take mycophenolate mofetil capsules and tablets on an empty stomach, either 1 hour before or 2 hours after a meal, unless your healthcare provider tells you otherwise. With the approval of your healthcare provider, in stable kidney transplan patients, mycophenolate mofetil can be taken with food if necessary.
- · Most people take mycophenolate mofetil by mouth either as caramel and lavender capsules or light pink tablets. Some peo-
- ole may get mycophenolate mofetil soon after their transplant surgery as an infusion into a ve Do not crush mycophenolate mofetil tablets. Do not open or crush mycophenolate mofetil capsules.
- If you are not able to swallow mycophenolate mofetil tablets or capsules, your doctor may prescribe mycophenolate mofetil oral suspension. This is a liquid form of mycophenolate mofetil. Your pharmacist will mix the medicine before giving it to
- Do not mix mycophenolate mofetil oral suspension with any other medicine.
- If you take too much mycophenolate mofetil, call your doctor or the poison control center right away. What should I avoid while taking mycophenolate mofetil?

#### Avoid pregnancy. See "What is the most important information I should know about mycophenolate mofetil?"

 Limit the amount of time you spend in sunlight. Avoid using tanning beds or sunlamps. People who take mycophenolate mofetil
have a higher risk of getting skin cancer. (See "What is the most important information I should know about mycophenolate mofetil?".) Wear protective clothing when you are in the sun and use a sunscreen with a high protection factor (SPF 30 and above). This is especially important if your skin is very fair or if you have a family history of skin cancer.

#### What are the possible side effects of mycophenolate mofetil?

- Mycophenolate mofetil can cause serious side effects: • See "What is the most important information I should know about mycophenolate mofetil?"
- Low blood cell counts. People taking high doses of mycophenolate mofetil each day may have a decrease in blood counts, includwhite blood cells, especially neutrophils. Neutrophils fight against bacterial infections. You have a higher chance of getting an infection when your white blood cell count is low. This is most common from 3 months to 6 months after your
- red blood cells. Red blood cells carry oxygen to your body tissues. You have a higher chance of getting severe anemia when
- platelets. Platelets help with blood clotting. Your doctor will do blood tests before you start taking mycophenolate mofetil and during treatment with mycophenolate mofetil to check your blood cell counts.
- Tell your doctor right away if you have any signs of infection (see "What is the most important information I should know ahout mycophenolate mofetil?"), or any unexpected bruising or bleeding. Also, tell your doctor if you have unusual tiredness, lack of energy, dizziness or fainting. Stomach problems. Stomach and intestinal bleeding can happen in people who take high doses of mycophenolate mofetil.
- Common side effects include: • diarrhea. Call your doctor right away if you have diarrhea. Do not stop taking mycophenolate mofetil without first talking with
- vomiting
- stomach area pain swelling of the lower legs, ankles and feet
- high blood pressure Side effects that happen more often in children than in adults taking mycophenolate mofetil include
- stomach area pain
- infection blood infection (sepsis)
- vomiting
- sore throa colds (respiratory tract infections)
- high blood pressure
   low white blood cell co
- low red blood cell count

These are not all of the possible side effects of mycophenolate mofetil. Tell your doctor about any side effect that bothers you or that does not go away.

#### Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to the FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or to Mylan Pharmaceuticals Inc. at 1-877-446-3679 (1-877-4-INFO-RX). How should I store mycophenolate mofetil?

• Store mycophenolate mofetil capsules and tablets at room temperature 20° to 25°C (68° to 77°F). Keep the container closed

#### Keen myconhenolate motetil and all medicines out of the reach of children

#### General information about mycophenolate mofetil: Medicines are sometimes prescribed for purposes other than those listed in a Medication Guide. Do not use mycophenolate mofetil for a condition for which it was not prescribed. Do not give mycophenolate mofetil to other people, even if they have the same symp-

toms that you have. It may harm them.

This Medication Guide summarizes the most important information about mycophenolate mofetil. If you would like more information, talk with your doctor. You can ask your doctor or pharmacist for information about mycophenolate mofetil that is written for healthare professionals. For more information call Mylan Pharmaceuticals Inc. at 1-877-446-3679 (1-877-4-INFO-RX)

#### What are the ingredients in mycophenolate mofetil capsules, USP?

Active Ingredient: mycophenolate mofetil, USP Inactive Ingredients: colloidal silicon dioxide, croscarmellose sodium, magnesium stearate, microcrystalline cellulose, pregela-

timized starch, and sodium lauryl sulfate. The empty gelatin capsule shells contain black from oxide, PD&C Blue No. 2, gelatin, red iron oxide, titanium dioxide, and yellow iron oxide. In addition, the imprinting ink contains the following: ammonium hydroxide, black iron oxide, propylene glycol, and shellac glaze.

#### What are the ingredients in mycophenolate mofetil tablets, USP?

Active Ingredient: mycophenolate mofetil, USP nactive Ingredients: colloidal silicon dioxide, cros Inactive Ingredients: colloidal silicon dioxide, croscarmellose sodium, magnesium stearate, microcrystalline cellulose, polyethylene glycol, polyvinyl alcohol, povidone, pregelatinized starch, red iron oxide, sodium lauryl sulfate, talc, titanium dioxide and yellow iron

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