



HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

These highlights do not include all the information needed to use CLOFARABINE INJECTION safely and effectively. See full prescribing information for CLOFARABINE INJECTION.

CLOFARABINE injection, for intravenous use

Initial U.S. Approval: 2004

----- RECENT MAJOR CHANGES -----

Warnings and Precautions (5.7) 12/2015
Warnings and Precautions (5.8) 10/2016

-----INDICATIONS AND USAGE-----

Clofarabine injection is a purine nucleoside metabolic inhibitor indicated for the treatment of pediatric patients 1 to 21 years old with relapsed or refractory acute lymphoblastic leukemia after at least two prior regimens. This indication is based upon response rate. There are no trials verifying an improvement in disease-related symptoms or increased survival with Clofarabine Injection. (1)

----- DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION -----

- Administer the recommended pediatric dose of 52 mg/m² as an intravenous infusion over 2 hours daily for 5 consecutive days of a 28 day cycle. Repeat cycles every 2 to 6 weeks. (2.1)
- Provide supportive care, such as intravenous infusion fluids, antihyperuricemic treatment, and alkalinization of urine throughout the 5 days of Clofarabine Injection administration to reduce the risk of tumor lysis and other adverse events. (2.1)
- Discontinue Clofarabine Injection if hypotension develops during the 5 days of administration. (2.1)
- Reduce the dose in patients with renal impairment. (2.1)
- Use dose modification for toxicity. (2.3)

----- DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS -----

20 mg/20 mL single-dose vial. (3)

----- CONTRAINDICATIONS -----

None. (4)

----- WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS -----

- Myelosuppression: May be severe and prolonged. Monitor complete blood counts and platelet counts during Clofarabine therapy. (5.1)
- Hemorrhage: Serious and fatal cerebral, gastrointestinal and pulmonary hemorrhage. Monitor platelets and coagulation parameters and treat accordingly. (5.2)
- Infections: Severe and fatal sepsis as a result of bone marrow suppression. Monitor for signs and symptoms of infection; discontinue Clofarabine and treat promptly. (5.3)
- Tumor Lysis syndrome: Anticipate, monitor for signs and symptoms and treat promptly. (5.4)
- Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome (SIRS) or Capillary Leak Syndrome: Monitor for and discontinue Clofarabine immediately if suspected. (5.5)

FULL PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

1 INDICATIONS AND USAGE

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2 DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

2.1 Recommended Dosage

- Administer the recommended pediatric dose of 52 mg/m² as an intravenous infusion over 2 hours daily for 5 consecutive days.
- Treatment cycles are repeated following recovery or return to baseline organ function, approximately every 2 to 6 weeks. The dosage is based on the patient’s body surface area (BSA), calculated using the actual height and weight before the start of each cycle. To prevent drug incompatibilities, no other medications should be administered through the same intravenous line.
 - Provide supportive care, such as intravenous fluids, antihyperuricemic treatment, and alkalinize urine throughout the 5 days of Clofarabine Injection administration to reduce the effects of tumor lysis and other adverse events.
 - Discontinue Clofarabine Injection if hypotension develops during the 5 days of administration.
 - Monitor renal and hepatic function during the 5 days of Clofarabine Injection administration *[see Warnings and Precautions (5.7, 5.8)]*.
 - Monitor patients taking medications known to affect blood pressure. Monitor cardiac function during administration of Clofarabine Injection.
 - Reduce the dose by 50% in patients with creatinine clearance (CrCL) between 30 and 60 mL/min. There is insufficient information to make a dosage recommendation in patients with CrCL less than 30 mL/min *[see Use in Specific Populations (8.7)]*.

2.2 Supportive Medications and Medications to Avoid

- Consider prophylactic anti-emetic medications as Clofarabine Injection is moderately emetogenic.
- Consider the use of prophylactic steroids to mitigate Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome (SIRS) or capillary leak syndrome (e.g., hypotension, tachycardia, tachypnea, and pulmonary edema).
- Minimize exposure to drugs with known renal toxicity during the 5 days of Clofarabine Injection administration since the risk of renal toxicity may be increased.
- Consider avoiding concomitant use of medications known to induce hepatic toxicity.

2.3 Dose Modifications and Reinitiation of Therapy

- Hematologic Toxicity**
 - Administer subsequent cycles no sooner than 14 days from the starting day of the previous cycle and provided the patient’s ANC is ≥ 0.75 x 10⁹/L.
 - If a patient experiences a Grade 4 neutropenia (ANC < 0.5 x 10⁹/L) lasting ≥ 4 weeks, reduce dose by 25% for the next cycle.
- Non-hematologic Toxicity**
 - Withhold Clofarabine Injection if a patient develops a clinically significant infection, until the infection is controlled, then restart at the full dose.
 - Withhold Clofarabine Injection for a Grade 3 non-infectious non-hematologic toxicity (excluding transient elevations in serum transaminases and/or serum bilirubin and/or nausea/vomiting controlled by antiemetic therapy). Re-institute Clofarabine Injection administration at a 25% dose reduction when resolution or return to baseline.
 - Discontinue Clofarabine Injection administration for a Grade 4 non-infectious non-hematologic toxicity.
 - Discontinue Clofarabine Injection administration if a patient shows early signs or symptoms of SIRS or capillary leak (e.g., hypotension, tachycardia, tachypnea, and pulmonary edema) occur and provide appropriate supportive measures.
 - Discontinue Clofarabine Injection administration if Grade 3 or higher increases in creatinine or bilirubin are noted. Re-institute Clofarabine Injection with a 25% dose reduction, when the patient is stable and organ function has returned to baseline. If hyperuricemia is anticipated (tumor lysis), initiate measures to control uric acid.

2.4 Reconstitution/Preparation

Clofarabine Injection should be filtered through a sterile 0.2 micron syringe filter and then diluted with 5% Dextrose Injection, USP, or 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP, prior to intravenous (IV) infusion to a final concentration between 0.15 mg/mL and 0.4 mg/mL. Use within 24 hours of preparation. Store diluted Clofarabine Injection at room temperature (15 °C to 30°C).

2.5 Incompatibilities

Do not administer any other medications through the same intravenous line.

- Venous Occlusive Disease of the Liver: Monitor for and discontinue Clofarabine if suspected. (5.6)
- Hepatotoxicity: Severe and fatal hepatotoxicity. Monitor liver function, for signs and symptoms of hepatitis and hepatic failure. Discontinue Clofarabine immediately for Grade 3 or greater liver enzyme and/or bilirubin elevations. (5.7)
- Renal Toxicity: Increased creatinine and acute renal failure; monitor renal function and interrupt or discontinue Clofarabine. (5.8)
- Enterocolitis: Serious and fatal enterocolitis, occurring more frequently within 30 days of treatment and with combination chemotherapy. Monitor patients for signs and symptoms of enterocolitis and treat promptly (5.9)
- Skin Reactions: Stevens-Johnson syndrome (SJS) and toxic epidermal necrolysis (TEN), including fatal cases. Discontinue for exfoliative or bullous rash, or if SJS or TEN is suspected. (5.10)

----- ADVERSE REACTIONS -----

Most common adverse reactions (≥ 25%): vomiting, nausea, diarrhea, febrile neutropenia, pruritus, headache, bacteremia, pyrexia, rash, tachycardia, abdominal pain, chills, fatigue, anorexia, pain in extremity, hypotension, epistaxis, and petechiae. (6)

To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact Fresenius Kabi USA, LLC at 1-800-551-7176 or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or www.fda.gov/medwatch.

----- USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS -----

- Embryo-fetal Toxicity: fetal harm can occur when administered to a pregnant woman. Women should be advised to avoid becoming pregnant when receiving Clofarabine. (5.11, 8.1)

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None.

5 WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

5.1 Myelosuppression

Clofarabine causes myelosuppression which may be severe and prolonged. Febrile neutropenia occurred in 55% and non-febrile neutropenia in an additional 10% of pediatric patients in clinical trials. At initiation of treatment, most patients in the clinical studies had hematological impairment as a manifestation of leukemia. Myelosuppression is usually reversible with interruption of Clofarabine treatment and appears to be dose-dependent. Monitor complete blood counts *[see Dosage and Administration (2.3)]*.

5.2 Hemorrhage

Serious and fatal hemorrhage, including cerebral, gastrointestinal and pulmonary hemorrhage, has occurred. The majority of the cases were associated with thrombocytopenia. Monitor platelets and coagulation parameters and treat accordingly *[see Adverse Reactions (6.2)]*.

5.3 Infections

Clofarabine increases the risk of infection, including severe and fatal sepsis, and opportunistic infections. At baseline, 48% of the pediatric patients had one or more concurrent infections. A total of 83% of patients experienced at least one infection after Clofarabine treatment, including fungal, viral and bacterial infections. Monitor patients for signs and symptoms of infection, discontinue Clofarabine, and treat promptly.

5.4 Hyperuricemia (Tumor Lysis)

Administration of Clofarabine may result in tumor lysis syndrome associated with the break-down metabolic products from peripheral leukemia cell death. Monitor patients undergoing treatment for signs and symptoms of tumor lysis syndrome and initiate preventive measures including adequate intravenous fluids and measures to control uric acid.

5.5 Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome (SIRS) and Capillary Leak Syndrome

Clofarabine may cause a cytokine release syndrome (e.g., tachypnea, tachycardia, hypotension, pulmonary edema) that may progress to the systemic inflammatory response syndrome (SIRS) with capillary leak syndrome and organ impairment which may be fatal. Monitor patients frequently for these conditions. In clinical trials, SIRS was reported in two patients (2%); capillary leak syndrome was reported in four patients (4%). Symptoms included rapid onset of respiratory distress, hypotension, pleural and pericardial effusion, and multi-organ failure. Close monitoring for this syndrome and early intervention may reduce the risk. Immediately discontinue Clofarabine and provide appropriate supportive measures. The use of prophylactic steroids (e.g., 100 mg/m² hydrocortisone on Days 1 through 3) may be of benefit in preventing signs or symptoms of SIRS or capillary leak. Consider use of diuretics and/or albumin. After the patient is stabilized and organ function has returned to baseline, re-treatment with Clofarabine can be considered with a 25% dose reduction.

5.6 Venous Occlusive Disease of the Liver

Patients who have previously received a hematopoietic stem cell transplant (HSCT) are at higher risk for veno-occlusive disease (VOD) of the liver following treatment with clofarabine (40 mg/m²) when used in combination with etoposide (100 mg/m²) and cyclophosphamide (440 mg/m²). Severe hepatotoxic events have been reported in a combination study of clofarabine in pediatric patients with relapsed or refractory acute leukemia. Two cases (2%) of VOD in the mono-therapy studies were considered related to study drug. Monitor for and discontinue Clofarabine if VOD is suspected.

5.7 Hepatotoxicity

Severe and fatal hepatotoxicity, including hepatitis and hepatic failure, has occurred with the use of Clofarabine *[see Adverse Reactions (6.2)]*. In clinical studies, Grade 3-4 liver enzyme elevations were observed in pediatric patients during treatment with Clofarabine at the following rates: elevated aspartate aminotransferase (AST) occurred in 36% of patients; elevated alanine aminotransferase (ALT) occurred in 44% of patients. AST and ALT elevations typically occurred within 10 days of Clofarabine administration and returned to Grade 2 or less within 15 days. Grade 3 or 4 elevated bilirubin occurred in 13% of patients, with 2 events reported as Grade 4 hyperbilirubinemia (2%), one of which resulted in treatment discontinuation and one patient had multi-organ failure and died. Eight patients (7%) had Grade 3 or 4 elevations in serum bilirubin at the last time point measured; these patients died due to sepsis and/ or multi-organ failure. Monitor hepatic function and for signs and symptoms of hepatitis and hepatic failure. Discontinue Clofarabine immediately for Grade 3 or greater liver enzyme and/or bilirubin elevations *[see Adverse Reactions (6.1)]*.

5.8 Renal Toxicity

Clofarabine may cause acute renal failure. In Clofarabine treated patients in clinical studies, Grade 3 or 4 elevated creatinine occurred

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	in 8% of patients and acute renal failure was reported as Grade 3 in three patients (3%) and Grade 4 in two patients (2%). Patients with infection, sepsis, or tumor lysis syndrome may be at increased risk of renal toxicity when treated with Clofarabine. Hematuria occurred in 13% of Clofarabine treated patients overall. Monitor patients for renal toxicity and interrupt or discontinue Clofarabine as necessary <i>[see Adverse Reactions (6.1)]</i> .
5.9 Enterocolitis	Fatal and serious cases of enterocolitis, including neutropenic colitis, cecitis, and <i>C. difficile</i> colitis, have occurred during treatment with clofarabine. This has occurred more frequently within 30 days of treatment, and in the setting of combination chemotherapy. Enterocolitis may lead to necrosis, perforation, hemorrhage or sepsis complications. Monitor patients for signs and symptoms of enterocolitis and treat promptly <i>[see Adverse Reactions (6.2)]</i> .
5.10 Skin Reactions	Serious and fatal cases of Stevens-Johnson syndrome (SJS) and toxic epidermal necrolysis (TEN), have been reported. Discontinue Clofarabine for exfoliative or bullous rash, or if SJS or TEN is suspected <i>[see Adverse Reactions (6.2)]</i> .
5.11 Embryo-fetal Toxicity	Clofarabine can cause fetal harm when administered to a pregnant woman. Intravenous doses of clofarabine in rats and rabbits administered during organogenesis caused an increase in resorptions, malformations, and variations <i>[see Use in Specific Populations (8.1)]</i> .
6 ADVERSE REACTIONS	The following adverse reactions are discussed in greater detail in other sections of the label: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Myelosuppression <i>[see Warnings and Precautions (5.1)]</i> Hemorrhage <i>[see Warnings and Precautions (5.2)]</i> Serious Infections <i>[see Warnings and Precautions (5.3)]</i> Hyperuricemia (Tumor Lysis) <i>[see Warnings and Precautions (5.4)]</i> Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome (SIRS) and Capillary Leak Syndrome <i>[see Warnings and Precautions (5.5)]</i> Venous Occlusive Disease of the Liver <i>[see Warnings and Precautions (5.6)]</i> Hepatotoxicity <i>[see Warnings and Precautions (5.7)]</i> Renal Toxicity <i>[see Warnings and Precautions (5.8)]</i> Enterocolitis <i>[see Warnings and Precautions (5.9)]</i> Skin Reactions <i>[see Warnings and Precautions (5.10)]</i>

6.1 Clinical Trials Experience

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

The data described below reflect exposure to Clofarabine in 115 pediatric patients with relapsed or refractory Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL) (70 patients) or Acute Myelogenous Leukemia (AML) (45 patients).

In total, 115 pediatric patients treated in clinical trials received the recommended dose of Clofarabine 52 mg/m² daily x 5. The median number of cycles was 2. The median cumulative amount of Clofarabine received by pediatric patients during all cycles was 540 mg.

Most common adverse reactions (≥ 25%): vomiting, nausea, diarrhea, febrile neutropenia, pruritus, headache, bacteremia, pyrexia, rash, tachycardia, abdominal pain, chills, fatigue, anorexia, pain in extremity, hypotension, epistaxis, and petechiae.

Table 1 lists adverse reactions by System Organ Class (SOC), including severe or life-threatening (NCI CTC Grade 3 or Grade 4), reported in ≥ 5% of the 115 patients in the 52 mg/m²/day dose group (pooled analysis of pediatric patients with ALL and AML). More detailed information and follow-up of certain events is given below.

		Table 1 Most Commonly Reported (≥ 5% Overall) Adverse Reactions by System Organ Class (N=115 pooled analysis)							
System Organ Class ¹	Preferred Term ¹	ALL/AML (N=115)		Worst NCI Common Terminology Criteria Grade ¹					
				3		4		5	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Blood and Lymphatic System Disorders	Febrile neutropenia	63	55	59	51	3	3	.	.
	Neutropenia	11	10	3	3	8	7	.	.

