

# Rho(D) Immune Globulin (WinRho SDF, Rhophylac)

#### **About This Medicine**

Rho (D) immune globulin is made up of antibodies called immunoglobulins. It is used to increase platelets in Rh-positive people with immune thrombocytopenic purpura (ITP) who have not had their spleen removed, as well as other conditions. It is given in the vein (IV).

#### **Possible Side Effects**

- · Fever and chills
- Weakness
- Headache
- Feeling dizzy
- Breakdown of your red blood cells, which can cause anemia (decreased red blood cells). This breakdown of red blood cells can be life-threatening.

**Note:** Each of the side effects above was reported in 5% or greater of patients treated with Rho(D) immune globulin. All possible side effects are not included. Your side effects may be different depending on your cancer diagnosis, condition, or if you are receiving other medicines in combination. Please discuss any concerns or questions with your medical team.

## **Warnings and Precautions**

- Allergic reactions, including anaphylaxis, are rare but may happen in some patients. Signs of
  allergic reaction to this medicine may be swelling of the face, feeling like your tongue or throat are
  swelling, trouble breathing, rash, itching, fever, chills, feeling dizzy, and/or feeling that your heart is
  beating in a fast or not normal way. If this happens, do not take another dose of this medicine.
  You should get urgent medical treatment.
- Fluid may build-up around your lungs following treatment. You may have a fever, dry cough or trouble breathing.
- You may be at risk of blood clots and events such as stroke and heart attack. A blood clot in your leg may cause your leg to swell, appear red and warm, and/or cause pain. A blood clot in your lungs may cause trouble breathing, pain when breathing, and/or chest pain.
- Changes in your kidney function, which can cause kidney failure and may be life-threatening.
- Rho(D) immune globulin is made from human plasma and carries a very rare risk of transmitting infectious diseases.



**Note:** Some of the side effects above are very rare. If you have concerns and/or questions, please discuss them with your medical team.

### **Important Information**

- Talk to your doctor before receiving any vaccinations during your treatment. Some vaccinations are not recommended while receiving Rho(D) immune globulin or within 3 months of treatment.
- Rho(D) immune globulin may interfere with certain blood tests and some type of blood sugar monitoring systems, which can falsely increase your blood sugar readings. Please talk to your doctor and/or nurse for more information.

### **Treating Side Effects**

- If you are dizzy, get up slowly after sitting or lying.
- Get regular exercise, with your doctor's approval. If you feel too tired to exercise vigorously, try taking a short walk.
- Keeping your pain under control is important to your well-being. Please tell your doctor or nurse if you are experiencing pain.

### **Food and Medicine Interactions**

- There are no known interactions of Rho(D) immune globulin with food.
- This medicine may interact with other medicines. Tell your doctor and pharmacist about all the
  prescription and over-the-counter medicines and dietary supplements (vitamins, minerals, herbs,
  and others) that you are taking at this time. Also, check with your doctor or pharmacist before
  starting any new prescription or over-the-counter medicines, or dietary supplements to make sure
  that there are no interactions.

#### When to Call the Doctor

Call your doctor or nurse if you have any of these symptoms and/or any new or unusual symptoms:

- Fever of 100.4° F (38° C) or higher
- Chills
- Headache that does not go away
- Feeling dizzy or lightheaded
- Wheezing and/or trouble breathing
- Dry cough
- Extreme weakness that interferes with normal activities
- · Your leg is swollen, red, warm and/or painful
- Weight gain of 5 pounds in one week (fluid retention)
- Chest pain or symptoms of a heart attack. Most heart attacks involve pain in the center of the chest that lasts more than a few minutes. The pain may go away and come back, or it can be constant. It



- can feel like pressure, squeezing, fullness, or pain. Sometimes pain is felt in one or both arms, the back, neck, jaw, or stomach. If any of these symptoms last 2 minutes, call 911.
- Symptoms of a stroke such as sudden numbness or weakness of your face, arm, or leg, mostly
  on one side of your body; sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding; sudden trouble
  seeing in one or both eyes; sudden trouble walking, feeling dizzy, loss of balance or coordination; or
  sudden, bad headache with no known cause. If you have any of these symptoms for 2 minutes,
  call 911.
- · Easy bleeding and/or bruising
- Decreased urine, blood in your urine, or very dark urine
- · Severe back pain
- Abnormally high blood sugar levels on home blood sugar monitoring systems
- · Yellowing of the eyes or skin
- Signs of allergic reaction: swelling of the face, feeling like your tongue or throat are swelling, trouble breathing, rash, itching, fever, chills, feeling dizzy, and/or feeling that your heart is beating in a fast or not normal way. If this happens, call 911 for emergency care.
- · If you think you may be pregnant

### **Reproduction Warnings**

- **Pregnancy warning**: It is not known if this medicine may harm an unborn child. For this reason, be sure to talk with your doctor if you are pregnant or planning to become pregnant while receiving this medicine. Let your doctor know right away if you think you may be pregnant.
- Breastfeeding warning: It is not known if this medicine passes into breast milk. For this reason,
  women should talk to their doctor about the risks and benefits of breastfeeding during treatment
  with this medicine because this medicine may enter the breast milk and cause harm to a
  breastfeeding baby.
- Fertility warning: Fertility studies have not been done with this medicine.

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