

HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

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

HERCEPTIN® (trastuzumab) for injection, for intravenous use
Initial U.S. Approval: 1998

WARNING: CARDIOMYOPATHY, INFUSION REACTIONS, EMBRYO-FETAL TOXICITY, and PULMONARY TOXICITY

See full prescribing information for complete boxed warning

Cardiomyopathy: Herceptin can result in subclinical and clinical cardiac failure manifesting as CHF, and decreased LVEF, with greatest risk when administered concurrently with anthracyclines. Evaluate cardiac function prior to and during treatment. Discontinue Herceptin for cardiomyopathy. (2.3, 5.1)

Infusion Reactions, Pulmonary Toxicity: Discontinue Herceptin for anaphylaxis, angioedema, interstitial pneumonitis, or acute respiratory distress syndrome. (5.2, 5.4)

Embryo-Fetal Toxicity: Exposure to Herceptin during pregnancy can result in oligohydramnios, in some cases complicated by pulmonary hypoplasia and neonatal death. Advise patients of these risks and the need for effective contraception. (5.3, 8.1, 8.3)

RECENT MAJOR CHANGES

Dosage and Administration (2.1)	04/2017
Warnings and Precautions (5.3)	03/2016

INDICATIONS AND USAGE

Herceptin is a HER2/neu receptor antagonist indicated for:

- The treatment of HER2-overexpressing breast cancer. (1.1, 1.2)
- The treatment of HER2-overexpressing metastatic gastric or gastroesophageal junction adenocarcinoma. (1.3)

Select patients for therapy based on an FDA-approved companion diagnostic for Herceptin (1, 2.1).

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

For intravenous (IV) infusion only. Do not administer as an IV push or bolus. (2.2)

Do not substitute Herceptin (trastuzumab) for or with ado-trastuzumab emtansine. (2.2)

Perform HER2 testing using FDA-approved tests by laboratories with demonstrated proficiency. (1, 2.1)

Adjuvant Treatment of HER2-Overexpressing Breast Cancer (2.2)

Administer at either:

- Initial dose of 4 mg/kg over 90 minute IV infusion, then 2 mg/kg over 30 minute IV infusion weekly for 12 weeks (with paclitaxel or docetaxel) or 18 weeks (with docetaxel/carboplatin). One week after the last weekly dose of Herceptin, administer 6 mg/kg as an IV infusion over 30–90 minutes every three weeks to complete a total of 52 weeks of therapy, or
- Initial dose of 8 mg/kg over 90 minutes IV infusion, then 6 mg/kg over 30–90 minutes IV infusion every three weeks for 52 weeks.

Metastatic HER2-Overexpressing Breast Cancer (2.2)

- Initial dose of 4 mg/kg as a 90 minute IV infusion followed by subsequent weekly doses of 2 mg/kg as 30 minute IV infusions.

Metastatic HER2-Overexpressing Gastric Cancer (2.2)

- Initial dose of 8 mg/kg over 90 minutes IV infusion, followed by 6 mg/kg over 30 to 90 minutes IV infusion every 3 weeks.

DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS

- For Injection: 150 mg lyophilized powder in a single-dose vial for reconstitution
- For Injection: 420 mg lyophilized powder in a multiple-dose vial for reconstitution

CONTRAINDICATIONS

- None. (4)

WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

- Exacerbation of Chemotherapy-Induced Neutropenia. (5.5, 6.1)

ADVERSE REACTIONS

Adjuvant Breast Cancer

- Most common adverse reactions ($\geq 5\%$) are headache, diarrhea, nausea, and chills. (6.1)

Metastatic Breast Cancer

- Most common adverse reactions ($\geq 10\%$) are fever, chills, headache, infection, congestive heart failure, insomnia, cough, and rash. (6.1)

Metastatic Gastric Cancer

- Most common adverse reactions ($\geq 10\%$) are neutropenia, diarrhea, fatigue, anemia, stomatitis, weight loss, upper respiratory tract infections, fever, thrombocytopenia, mucosal inflammation, nasopharyngitis, and dysgeusia. (6.1)

To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact Genentech at 1-888-835-2555 or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or www.fda.gov/medwatch.

USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

Females and Males of Reproductive Potential: Verify the pregnancy status of females prior to initiation of Herceptin (8.3).

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1 FULL PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

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4 **Cardiomyopathy**

5 **Herceptin administration can result in sub-clinical and clinical cardiac failure. The**
6 **incidence and severity was highest in patients receiving Herceptin with**
7 **anthracycline-containing chemotherapy regimens.**

8 **Evaluate left ventricular function in all patients prior to and during treatment with**
9 **Herceptin. Discontinue Herceptin treatment in patients receiving adjuvant therapy and**
10 **withhold Herceptin in patients with metastatic disease for clinically significant decrease in left**
11 **ventricular function [see *Dosage and Administration (2.3) and Warnings and Precautions (5.1)*].**

12 **Infusion Reactions; Pulmonary Toxicity**

13 **Herceptin administration can result in serious and fatal infusion reactions and pulmonary**
14 **toxicity. Symptoms usually occur during or within 24 hours of Herceptin administration.**
15 **Interrupt Herceptin infusion for dyspnea or clinically significant hypotension. Monitor**
16 **patients until symptoms completely resolve. Discontinue Herceptin for anaphylaxis,**
17 **angioedema, interstitial pneumonitis, or acute respiratory distress syndrome [see *Warnings***
18 **and *Precautions (5.2, 5.4)*].**

19 **Embryo-Fetal Toxicity**

20 **Exposure to Herceptin during pregnancy can result in oligohydramnios and**
21 **oligohydramnios sequence manifesting as pulmonary hypoplasia, skeletal abnormalities, and**
22 **neonatal death. Advise patients of these risks and the need for effective contraception [see**
23 ***Warnings and Precautions (5.3) and Use in Specific Populations (8.1, 8.3)*].**

24 25 **1 INDICATIONS AND USAGE**

26 **1.1 Adjuvant Breast Cancer**

27 Herceptin is indicated for adjuvant treatment of HER2 overexpressing node positive or node
28 negative (ER/PR negative or with one high risk feature [see *Clinical Studies (14.1)*]) breast cancer

- 29 • as part of a treatment regimen consisting of doxorubicin, cyclophosphamide, and either
30 paclitaxel or docetaxel
- 31 • as part of a treatment regimen with docetaxel and carboplatin
- 32 • as a single agent following multi-modality anthracycline based therapy.

33 Select patients for therapy based on an FDA-approved companion diagnostic for Herceptin [see
34 *Dosage and Administration (2.1)*].

35 **1.2 Metastatic Breast Cancer**

36 Herceptin is indicated:

- 37 • In combination with paclitaxel for first-line treatment of HER2-overexpressing metastatic
38 breast cancer
- 39 • As a single agent for treatment of HER2-overexpressing breast cancer in patients who have
40 received one or more chemotherapy regimens for metastatic disease.

41 Select patients for therapy based on an FDA-approved companion diagnostic for Herceptin [see
42 *Dosage and Administration (2.1)*].

43 **1.3 Metastatic Gastric Cancer**

44 Herceptin is indicated, in combination with cisplatin and capecitabine or 5-fluorouracil, for the
45 treatment of patients with HER2-overexpressing metastatic gastric or gastroesophageal junction
46 adenocarcinoma who have not received prior treatment for metastatic disease.

47 Select patients for therapy based on an FDA-approved companion diagnostic for Herceptin [see
48 *Dosage and Administration (2.1)*].

50 2 DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

51 2.1 Patient Selection

52 Select patients based on HER2 protein overexpression or HER2 gene amplification in tumor
53 specimens [see *Indications and Usage (1) and Clinical Studies (14)*]. Assessment of HER2 protein
54 overexpression and HER2 gene amplification should be performed using FDA-approved tests
55 specific for breast or gastric cancers by laboratories with demonstrated proficiency. Information on
56 the FDA-approved tests for the detection of HER2 protein overexpression and HER2 gene
57 amplification is available at: <http://www.fda.gov/CompanionDiagnostics>.

58 Assessment of HER2 protein overexpression and HER2 gene amplification in metastatic gastric
59 cancer should be performed using FDA-approved tests specifically for gastric cancers due to
60 differences in gastric vs. breast histopathology, including incomplete membrane staining and more
61 frequent heterogeneous expression of HER2 seen in gastric cancers.

62 Improper assay performance, including use of suboptimally fixed tissue, failure to utilize
63 specified reagents, deviation from specific assay instructions, and failure to include appropriate
64 controls for assay validation, can lead to unreliable results.

65 2.2 Recommended Doses and Schedules

- 66 • **Do not administer as an intravenous push or bolus. Do not mix Herceptin with other**
- 67 **drugs.**
- 68 • **Do not substitute Herceptin (trastuzumab) for or with ado-trastuzumab emtansine.**

69 *Adjuvant Treatment, Breast Cancer*

70 Administer according to one of the following doses and schedules for a total of 52 weeks of
71 Herceptin therapy:

72 During and following paclitaxel, docetaxel, or docetaxel/carboplatin:

- 73 • Initial dose of 4 mg/kg as an intravenous infusion over 90 minutes then at 2 mg/kg as an
74 intravenous infusion over 30 minutes weekly during chemotherapy for the first 12 weeks
75 (paclitaxel or docetaxel) or 18 weeks (docetaxel/carboplatin).
- 76 • One week following the last weekly dose of Herceptin, administer Herceptin at 6 mg/kg as an
77 intravenous infusion over 30–90 minutes every three weeks.

78 As a single agent within three weeks following completion of multi-modality,
79 anthracycline-based chemotherapy regimens:

- 80 • Initial dose at 8 mg/kg as an intravenous infusion over 90 minutes
- 81 • Subsequent doses at 6 mg/kg as an intravenous infusion over 30–90 minutes every
82 three weeks [see *Dosage and Administration (2.3)*].
- 83 • Extending adjuvant treatment beyond one year is not recommended [see *Adverse Reactions*
84 *(6.1)*].

85 *Metastatic Treatment, Breast Cancer*

- 86 • Administer Herceptin, alone or in combination with paclitaxel, at an initial dose of 4 mg/kg as
87 a 90-minute intravenous infusion followed by subsequent once weekly doses of 2 mg/kg as
88 30-minute intravenous infusions until disease progression.

89 *Metastatic Gastric Cancer*

- 90 • Administer Herceptin at an initial dose of 8 mg/kg as a 90-minute intravenous infusion
91 followed by subsequent doses of 6 mg/kg as an intravenous infusion over 30–90 minutes every
92 three weeks until disease progression [see *Dosage and Administration (2.3)*].

2.3 Important Dosing Considerations

If the patient has missed a dose of Herceptin by one week or less, then the usual maintenance dose (weekly schedule: 2 mg/kg; three-weekly schedule: 6 mg/kg) should be administered as soon as possible. Do not wait until the next planned cycle. Subsequent Herceptin maintenance doses should be administered 7 days or 21 days later according to the weekly or three-weekly schedules, respectively.

If the patient has missed a dose of Herceptin by more than one week, a re-loading dose of Herceptin should be administered over approximately 90 minutes (weekly schedule: 4 mg/kg; three-weekly schedule: 8 mg/kg) as soon as possible. Subsequent Herceptin maintenance doses (weekly schedule: 2 mg/kg; three-weekly schedule 6 mg/kg) should be administered 7 days or 21 days later according to the weekly or three-weekly schedules, respectively.

Infusion Reactions

[See Boxed Warning, Warnings and Precautions (5.2)]

- Decrease the rate of infusion for mild or moderate infusion reactions
- Interrupt the infusion in patients with dyspnea or clinically significant hypotension
- Discontinue Herceptin for severe or life-threatening infusion reactions.

Cardiomyopathy

[See Boxed Warning, Warnings and Precautions (5.1)]

Assess left ventricular ejection fraction (LVEF) prior to initiation of Herceptin and at regular intervals during treatment. Withhold Herceptin dosing for at least 4 weeks for either of the following:

- $\geq 16\%$ absolute decrease in LVEF from pre-treatment values
- LVEF below institutional limits of normal and $\geq 10\%$ absolute decrease in LVEF from pretreatment values.

Herceptin may be resumed if, within 4–8 weeks, the LVEF returns to normal limits and the absolute decrease from baseline is $\leq 15\%$.

Permanently discontinue Herceptin for a persistent (> 8 weeks) LVEF decline or for suspension of Herceptin dosing on more than 3 occasions for cardiomyopathy.

2.4 Preparation for Administration

To prevent medication errors, it is important to check the vial labels to ensure that the drug being prepared and administered is Herceptin (trastuzumab) and not ado-trastuzumab emtansine.

420 mg Multiple-dose vial

Reconstitution

Reconstitute each 420 mg vial of Herceptin with 20 mL of Bacteriostatic Water for Injection (BWFI), USP, containing 1.1% benzyl alcohol as a preservative to yield a multiple-dose solution containing 21 mg/mL trastuzumab that delivers 20 mL (420 mg trastuzumab). In patients with known hypersensitivity to benzyl alcohol, reconstitute with 20 mL of Sterile Water for Injection (SWFI) without preservative to yield a single use solution.

Use appropriate aseptic technique when performing the following reconstitution steps:

- Using a sterile syringe, slowly inject the 20 mL of diluent into the vial containing the lyophilized cake of Herceptin. The stream of diluent should be directed into the lyophilized cake. The reconstituted vial yields a solution for multiple-dose use, containing 21 mg/mL trastuzumab.
- Swirl the vial gently to aid reconstitution. **DO NOT SHAKE.**
- Slight foaming of the product may be present upon reconstitution. Allow the vial to stand undisturbed for approximately 5 minutes.

- 139 • Parenteral drug products should be inspected visually for particulate matter and discoloration
140 prior to administration, whenever solution and container permit. Inspect visually for
141 particulates and discoloration. The solution should be free of visible particulates, clear to
142 slightly opalescent and colorless to pale yellow.
- 143 • Store reconstituted Herceptin in the refrigerator at 2°C to 8°C (36°F to 46°F); discard unused
144 Herceptin after 28 days. If Herceptin is reconstituted with SWFI without preservative, use
145 immediately and discard any unused portion. **Do not freeze.**

146 *Dilution*

- 147 • Determine the dose (mg) of Herceptin [*see Dosage and Administration (2.2)*]. Calculate the
148 volume of the 21 mg/mL reconstituted Herceptin solution needed, withdraw this amount from
149 the vial and add it to an infusion bag containing 250 mL of 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection,
150 USP. **DO NOT USE DEXTROSE (5%) SOLUTION.**
- 151 • Gently invert the bag to mix the solution.
- 152 • The solution of Herceptin for infusion diluted in polyvinylchloride or polyethylene bags
153 containing 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP, should be stored at 2°C to 8°C (36°F to
154 46°F) for no more than 24 hours prior to use. **Do not freeze.**

156 150 mg Single-dose vial

157 *Reconstitution*

158 Reconstitute each 150 mg vial of Herceptin with 7.4 mL of Sterile Water for Injection (SWFI)
159 (not supplied) to yield a single-dose solution containing 21 mg/mL trastuzumab that delivers 7.15
160 mL (150 mg trastuzumab).

161 Use appropriate aseptic technique when performing the following reconstitution steps:

- 162 • Using a sterile syringe, slowly inject 7.4 mL of SWFI (not supplied) into the vial containing
163 the lyophilized 150 mg Herceptin, directing the diluent stream into the lyophilized cake. The
164 reconstituted vial yields a solution for single-dose use, containing 21 mg/mL trastuzumab.
- 165 • Swirl the vial gently to aid reconstitution. **DO NOT SHAKE.**
- 166 • Slight foaming of the product may be present upon reconstitution. Allow the vial to stand
167 undisturbed for approximately 5 minutes.
- 168 • Parenteral drug products should be inspected visually for particulate matter and discoloration
169 prior to administration, whenever solution and container permit. Inspect visually for
170 particulates and discoloration. The solution should be free of visible particulates, clear to
171 slightly opalescent and colorless to pale yellow.
- 172 • Use the Herceptin solution immediately following reconstitution with SWFI, as it contains no
173 preservative and is intended for single-dose only. If not used immediately, store the
174 reconstituted Herceptin solution for up to 24 hours at 2°C to 8°C (36°F to 46°F); discard any
175 unused Herceptin after 24 hours. **Do not freeze.**

176 *Dilution*

- 177 • Determine the dose (mg) of Herceptin [*see Dosage and Administration (2.1)*].
- 178 • Calculate the volume of the 21 mg/mL reconstituted Herceptin solution needed.
- 179 • Withdraw this amount from the vial and add it to an infusion bag containing 250 mL of
180 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP. **DO NOT USE DEXTROSE (5%) SOLUTION.**
- 181 • Gently invert the bag to mix the solution.
- 182 • The solution of Herceptin for infusion diluted in polyvinylchloride or polyethylene bags
183 containing 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP, should be stored at 2°C to 8°C (36°F to
184 46°F) for no more than 24 hours prior to use. Discard after 24 hours. This storage time is
185 additional to the time allowed for the reconstituted vials. **Do not freeze.**
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