**NovoLog**® **Mix 70/30**

70% insulin aspart protamine suspension and 30% insulin aspart injection, (rDNA origin)

**DESCRIPTION**

NovoLog® Mix 70/30 (70% insulin aspart protamine suspension and 30% insulin aspart injection, [rDNA origin]) is a human insulin analog suspension containing 70% insulin aspart protamine crystals and 30% soluble insulin aspart. NovoLog Mix 70/30 is a blood glucose-lowering agent with a rapid onset and an intermediate duration of action. Insulin aspart is homologous with regular human insulin with the exception of a single substitution of the amino acid proline by aspartic acid in position B28, and is produced by recombinant DNA technology utilizing *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* (baker’s yeast) as the production organism. Insulin aspart (NovoLog®) has the empirical formula C_{256}H_{381}N_{65}O_{79}S_{6} and a molecular weight of 5825.8 Da.

![Structural formula](image)

**Figure 1. Structural formula of insulin aspart**

NovoLog Mix 70/30 is a uniform, white, sterile suspension that contains insulin aspart (B28 asp regular human insulin analog) 100 Units/mL.

Inactive ingredients for the 10 mL vial are mannitol 36.4 mg/mL, phenol 1.50 mg/mL, metacresol 1.72 mg/mL, zinc 19.6 μg/mL, disodium hydrogen phosphate dihydrate 1.25 mg/mL, sodium chloride 0.58 mg/mL, and protamine sulfate 0.32 mg/mL. Inactive ingredients for the NovoLog Mix 70/30 FlexPen® are glycerol 16 mg/mL, phenol 1.50 mg/mL, metacresol 1.72 mg/mL, zinc 19.6 μg/mL, disodium hydrogen phosphate dihydrate 1.25 mg/mL, sodium chloride 0.877 mg/mL, and protamine sulfate 0.32 mg/mL.

NovoLog Mix 70/30 has a pH of 7.20 - 7.44. Hydrochloric acid or sodium hydroxide may be added to adjust pH.
CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

Mechanism of action
The primary activity of NovoLog Mix 70/30 is the regulation of glucose metabolism. Insulins, including NovoLog Mix 70/30, exert their specific action through binding to insulin receptors. Insulin binding activates mechanisms to lower blood glucose by facilitating cellular uptake of glucose into skeletal muscle and fat, simultaneously inhibiting the output of glucose from the liver.

In standard biological assays in mice and rabbits, one unit of NovoLog has the same glucose-lowering effect as one unit of regular human insulin. However, the effect of NovoLog Mix 70/30 is more rapid in onset compared to Novolin® (human insulin) 70/30 due to its faster absorption after subcutaneous injection.

Pharmacokinetics
Bioavailability and Absorption-
The single substitution of the amino acid proline with aspartic acid at position B28 in insulin aspart (NovoLog) reduces the molecule’s tendency to form hexamers as observed with regular human insulin. The rapid absorption characteristics of NovoLog are maintained by NovoLog Mix 70/30. The insulin aspart in the soluble component of NovoLog Mix 70/30 is absorbed more rapidly from the subcutaneous layer than regular human insulin. The remaining 70% is in crystalline form as insulin aspart protamine which has a prolonged absorption profile after subcutaneous injection.

The relative bioavailability of NovoLog Mix 70/30 compared to NovoLog and Novolin 70/30 indicates that they are absorbed to similar degrees. In euglycemic clamp studies in healthy volunteers (n=23) after dosing with 0.2 U/kg of NovoLog Mix 70/30, a mean maximum serum concentration ($C_{max}$) of 23.4 ± 5.3 mU/L was reached after 60 minutes. The mean half-life (t1/2) of NovoLog Mix 70/30 was about 8 to 9 hours. Serum insulin levels returned to baseline 15 to 18 hours after a subcutaneous dose. Similar data were seen in a separate euglycemic clamp study in healthy volunteers (n=24) after dosing with 0.3 U/kg of NovoLog Mix 70/30. A $C_{max}$ of 61.3 ± 20.1 mU/L was reached after 85 minutes. Serum insulin levels returned to baseline 12 hours after a subcutaneous dose.

The $C_{max}$ and the area under the insulin concentration-time curve (AUC) after administration of NovoLog Mix 70/30 differed by approximately 20% from those after administration of NovoLog Mix 50/50 (investigational drug, not marketed.) and Novolin 70/30 (see Fig. 2 and 3 for pharmacokinetic profiles).
Figure 2. Pharmacokinetic Profiles of NovoLog® Mix 70/30 and Novolin 70/30
**Figure 3.** Pharmacokinetic profiles for NovoLog® Mix 70/30 and other proportional mixes (*investigational drugs, not marketed*).

Pharmacokinetic measurements were generated in clamp studies employing insulin doses of 0.3 U/kg. Insulin kinetics exhibit significant inter- and intra-patient variability. The rate of insulin absorption and consequently the onset of activity is known to be affected by the site of injection, exercise, and other variables (see PRECAUTIONS, General). Differences in pharmacokinetics between NovoLog Mix 70/30 and products to which it has been compared are not associated with differences in overall glycemic control.

*Distribution and Elimination*—NovoLog has a low binding to plasma proteins, 0 to 9%, similar to regular human insulin. After subcutaneous administration in normal male volunteers (n=24), NovoLog was more rapidly eliminated than regular human insulin with an average apparent half-life of 81 minutes compared to 141 minutes for regular human insulin.

**Pharmacodynamics**
The two euglycemic clamp studies described above assessed glucose utilization after dosing of healthy volunteers. NovoLog Mix 70/30 has a more rapid onset of action than regular human insulin in studies of normal volunteers and patients with diabetes. The peak pharmacodynamic effect of NovoLog Mix 70/30 occurs between 1 and 4 hours after injection. The duration of action may be as long as 24 hours (see Figures 4 and 5).

**Figure 4.** Pharmacodynamic Activity Profile of NovoLog® Mix 70/30 and Novolin 70/30 in healthy subjects.
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**Special populations**

*Children and adolescents*- The pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic properties of NovoLog Mix 70/30 have not been assessed in children and adolescents less than 18 years of age.

*Geriatrics*- The effect of age on the pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of NovoLog Mix 70/30 has not been studied.

*Gender*- The effect of gender on the pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of NovoLog Mix 70/30 has not been studied.
Obesity-The effect of obesity and/or subcutaneous fat thickness on the pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of NovoLog Mix 70/30 has not been studied but data on the rapid acting component (NovoLog) show no significant effect.

Ethnic origin-The effect of ethnic origin on the pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of NovoLog Mix 70/30 has not been studied.

Renal impairment-The effect of renal function on the pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of NovoLog Mix 70/30 has not been studied but data on the rapid acting component (NovoLog) show no significant effect. Some studies with human insulin have shown increased circulating levels of insulin in patients with renal failure. Careful glucose monitoring and dose adjustments of insulin, including NovoLog Mix 70/30, may be necessary in patients with renal dysfunction (see PRECAUTIONS, Renal Impairment).

Hepatic impairment-The effect of hepatic impairment on the pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of NovoLog Mix 70/30 has not been studied but data on the rapid-acting component (NovoLog) show no significant effect. Some studies with human insulin have shown increased circulating levels of insulin in patients with liver failure. Careful glucose monitoring and dose adjustments of insulin, including NovoLog Mix 70/30, may be necessary in patients with hepatic dysfunction (see PRECAUTIONS, Hepatic Impairment).

Pregnancy-The effect of pregnancy on the pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of NovoLog Mix 70/30 has not been studied (see PRECAUTIONS, Pregnancy).

Smoking-The effect of smoking on the pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of NovoLog Mix 70/30 has not been studied.

CLINICAL STUDIES
In a three-month, open-label trial, patients with Type 1 (n=146) or Type 2 (n=178) diabetes were treated BID (before breakfast and before supper) with NovoLog Mix 70/30 or Novolin 70/30. The small changes in HbA1c were comparable across the treatment groups (see Table 1).

Table 1: Glycemic Parameters at the End of Treatment [Mean (SD)]

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<th>NovoLog Mix 70/30</th>
<th>Novolin 70/30</th>
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<tr>
<td>Type 1, N=92</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fasting Blood Glucose (mg/dL)</td>
<td>173 (62)</td>
<td>141 (59)</td>
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<tr>
<td>1.5 Hour Post Breakfast</td>
<td>185 (80)</td>
<td>198 (80)</td>
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<tr>
<td>1.5 Hour Post Dinner</td>
<td>158 (77)</td>
<td>169 (66)</td>
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<tr>
<td>HbA1c (%)</td>
<td>8.4 (1.1)</td>
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<td>Type 2, N=169</td>
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<td>Fasting Blood Glucose (mg/dL)</td>
<td>151 (39)</td>
<td>151 (68)</td>
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<tr>
<td>1.5 Hour Post Breakfast</td>
<td>180 (64)</td>
<td>198 (80)</td>
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<tr>
<td>1.5 Hour Post Dinner</td>
<td>166 (50)</td>
<td>189 (50)</td>
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<tr>
<td>HbA1c (%)</td>
<td>7.9 (1.0)</td>
<td>8.1 (1.1)</td>
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The significance, with respect to the long-term clinical sequelae of diabetes, of the differences in postprandial hyperglycemia between treatment groups has not been established.

Specific anti-insulin antibodies as well as cross-reacting anti-insulin antibodies were monitored in the 3-month, open-label comparator trial as well as in a long-term extension trial (see PRECAUTIONS, Allergy).

In a 28-week, open-label trial, insulin-naïve patients with type 2 diabetes with fasting plasma glucose above 140 mg/dL currently treated with metformin ± thiazolidinedione therapy were randomized to receive either NovoLog Mix 70/30 twice daily [before breakfast and before supper] or basal (long acting) insulin analog once daily\(^1\) (see Table 2). NovoLog Mix 70/30 was started at an average dose of 5-6 IU (0.07 ± 0.03 IU/kg) twice daily (before breakfast and before supper), and bedtime basal (long acting) insulin analog was started at 10-12 IU (0.13 ± 0.03 IU/kg). Insulin doses were titrated weekly by decrements or increments of -2 to +6 units per injection to a pre-meal glucose goal of 80-110 mg/dL. The metformin dose was adjusted to 2550 mg/day. Approximately one-third of the patients in each group were also treated with pioglitazone (30 mg/day). Insulin secretagogues were discontinued in order to reduce the risk of hypoglycemia. Most patients were Caucasian (53%), and the mean initial weight was 90 kg.

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<th>Treatment duration 28-weeks</th>
<th>NovoLog(^*) Mix 70/30</th>
<th>Basal (Long Acting) Insulin Analog</th>
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<tr>
<td>Number of patients</td>
<td>117</td>
<td>116</td>
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<td>HbA(_1c)</td>
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<td>Baseline mean (%)</td>
<td>9.7 (1.5)</td>
<td>9.8 (1.4)</td>
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<td>End-of-study mean (± SD)</td>
<td>6.9 (1.2)</td>
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<td>Mean change from baseline</td>
<td>-2.8</td>
<td>-2.4</td>
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<td>Percentage of subjects reaching HbA(_1c)&lt;7.0%</td>
<td>66%</td>
<td>40%</td>
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<td>Total Daily Insulin Dose at end of study (U)</td>
<td>79 (40)</td>
<td>51 (27)</td>
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<td>Number of patients with severe hypoglycemia</td>
<td>0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Minor hypoglycemic event/month/patient</td>
<td>0.28</td>
<td>0.06</td>
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<td>Weight gain at end of study</td>
<td>5.4 (4.8)</td>
<td>3.5 (4.5)</td>
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INDICATIONS AND USAGE
NovoLog Mix 70/30 is indicated for the treatment of patients with diabetes mellitus for the control of hyperglycemia.

CONTRAINDICATIONS
NovoLog Mix 70/30 is contraindicated during episodes of hypoglycemia and in patients hypersensitive to NovoLog Mix 70/30 or one of its excipients.
**WARNINGS**

Because NovoLog Mix 70/30 has peak pharmacodynamic activity one hour after injection, it should be administered with meals.

NovoLog Mix 70/30 should not be administered intravenously.

NovoLog Mix 70/30 is not to be used in insulin infusion pumps.

NovoLog Mix 70/30 should not be mixed with any other insulin product.

Hypoglycemia is the most common adverse effect of insulin therapy, including NovoLog Mix 70/30. As with all insulins, the timing of hypoglycemia may differ among various insulin formulations.

Glucose monitoring is recommended for all patients with diabetes.

Any change of insulin dose should be made cautiously and only under medical supervision. Changes in insulin strength, manufacturer, type (e.g., regular, NPH, analog), species (animal, human), or method of manufacture (rDNA versus animal-source insulin) may result in the need for a change in dosage.

**PRECAUTIONS**

**General**

Hypoglycemia and hypokalemia are among the potential clinical adverse effects associated with the use of all insulins. Because of differences in the action of NovoLog Mix 70/30 and other insulins, care should be taken in patients in whom such potential side effects might be clinically relevant (e.g., patients who are fasting, have autonomic neuropathy, or are using potassium-lowering drugs or patients taking drugs sensitive to serum potassium level).

Fixed ratio insulins are typically dosed on a twice daily basis, i.e., before breakfast and supper, with each dose intended to cover two meals or a meal and snack (see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION). The dose of insulin required to provide adequate glycemic control for one of the meals may result in hyper- or hypoglycemia for the other meal. The pharmacodynamic profile may also be inadequate for patients (e.g. pregnant women) who require more frequent meals.

Adjustments in insulin dose or insulin type may be needed during illness, emotional stress, and other physiologic stress in addition to changes in meals and exercise.

The pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic profiles of all insulins may be altered by the site used for injection and the degree of vascularization of the site. Smoking, temperature, and exercise contribute to variations in blood flow and insulin absorption. These and other factors contribute to inter- and intra-patient variability.
Lipodystrophy and hypersensitivity are among other potential clinical adverse effects associated with the use of all insulins.

**Hypoglycemia**- As with all insulin preparations, hypoglycemic reactions may be associated with the administration of NovoLog Mix 70/30. Rapid changes in serum glucose concentrations may induce symptoms of hypoglycemia in persons with diabetes, regardless of the glucose value. Early warning symptoms of hypoglycemia may be different or less pronounced under certain conditions, such as long duration of diabetes, diabetic nerve disease, use of medications such as beta-blockers, or intensified diabetes control.

**Renal Impairment**- Clinical or pharmacology studies with NovoLog Mix 70/30 in diabetic patients with various degrees of renal impairment have not been conducted. As with other insulins, the requirements for NovoLog Mix 70/30 may be reduced in patients with renal impairment.

**Hepatic Impairment**- Clinical or pharmacology studies with NovoLog Mix 70/30 in diabetic patients with various degrees of hepatic impairment have not been conducted. As with other insulins, the requirements for NovoLog Mix 70/30 may be reduced in patients with hepatic impairment.

**Allergy**-
Local Reactions- Erythema, swelling, and pruritus at the injection site have been observed with NovoLog Mix 70/30 as with other insulin therapy. Reactions may be related to the insulin molecule, other components in the insulin preparation including protamine and cresol, components in skin cleansing agents, or injection techniques.

Systemic Reactions- Less common, but potentially more serious, is generalized allergy to insulin, which may cause rash (including pruritus) over the whole body, shortness of breath, wheezing, reduction in blood pressure, rapid pulse, or sweating. Severe cases of generalized allergy, including anaphylactic reaction, may be life threatening. Localized reactions and generalized myalgias have been reported with the use of cresol as an injectable excipient.

**Antibody production**- Specific anti-insulin antibodies as well as cross-reacting anti-insulin antibodies were monitored in the 3-month, open-label comparator trial as well as in a long-term extension trial. Changes in cross-reactive antibodies were more common after NovoLog Mix 70/30 than with Novolin 70/30 but these changes did not correlate with change in HbA1c or increase in insulin dose. The clinical significance of these antibodies has not been established. Antibodies did not increase further after long-term exposure (>6 months) to NovoLog Mix 70/30.

**Information for patients**-
Patients should be informed about potential risks and advantages of NovoLog Mix 70/30 therapy including the possible side effects. Patients should also be offered continued education and advice on insulin therapies, injection technique, life-style management, regular glucose
monitoring, periodic glycosylated hemoglobin testing, recognition and management of hypo-
and hyperglycemia, adherence to meal planning, complications of insulin therapy, timing of
dose, instruction for use of injection devices, and proper storage of insulin.

Female patients should be advised to discuss with their physician if they intend to, or if they
become, pregnant because information is not available on the use of NovoLog Mix 70/30 during
pregnancy or lactation (see PRECAUTIONS, Pregnancy).

Laboratory Tests- The therapeutic response to NovoLog Mix 70/30 should be assessed by
measurement of serum or blood glucose and glycosylated hemoglobin.

Drug Interactions- A number of substances affect glucose metabolism and may require insulin
dose adjustment and particularly close monitoring. The following are examples of substances
that may increase the blood-glucose-lowering effect and susceptibility to hypoglycemia: oral
antidiabetic products, ACE inhibitors, disopyramide, fibrates, fluoxetine, monoamine oxidase
(MAO) inhibitors, propoxyphene, salicylates, somatostatin analog (e.g. octreotide), sulfonamide
antibiotics.

The following are examples of substances that may reduce the blood-glucose-lowering effect:
corticosteroids, niacin, danazol, diuretics, sympathomimetic agents (e.g., epinephrine,
salbutamol, terbutaline), isoniazid, phenothiazine derivatives, somatropin, thyroid hormones,
estrogens, progestogens (e.g., in oral contraceptives).

Beta-blockers, clonidine, lithium salts, and alcohol may either potentiate or weaken the blood-
glucose-lowering effect of insulin.

Pentamidine may cause hypoglycemia, which may sometimes be followed by hyperglycemia.

In addition, under the influence of sympatholytic medical products such as beta-blockers,
clonidine, guanethidine, and reserpine, the signs of hypoglycemia may be reduced or absent (see
CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY).

Mixing of insulins
NovoLog Mix 70/30 should not be mixed with any other insulin product.

Carcinogenicity, Mutagenicity, Impairment of Fertility
Standard 2-year carcinogenicity studies in animals have not been performed to evaluate the
carcinogenic potential of NovoLog Mix 70/30. In 52-week studies, Sprague-Dawley rats were
dosed subcutaneously with NovoLog, the rapid-acting component of NovoLog Mix 70/30, at
10, 50, and 200 U/kg/day (approximately 2, 8, and 32 times the human subcutaneous dose of
1.0 U/kg/day, based on U/body surface area, respectively). At a dose of 200 U/kg/day,
NovoLog increased the incidence of mammary gland tumors in females when compared to
untreated controls. The incidence of mammary tumors for NovoLog was not significantly
different than for regular human insulin. The relevance of these findings to humans is not
known. NovoLog was not genotoxic in the following tests: Ames test, mouse lymphoma cell
forward gene mutation test, human peripheral blood lymphocyte chromosome aberration test, in
vivo micronucleus test in mice, and in ex vivo UDS test in rat liver hepatocytes. In fertility studies in male and female rats, NovoLog at subcutaneous doses up to 200 U/kg/day (approximately 32 times the human subcutaneous dose, based on U/body surface area) had no direct adverse effects on male and female fertility, or on general reproductive performance of animals.

Pregnancy - Teratogenic Effects - Pregnancy Category C
Animal reproduction studies have not been conducted with NovoLog Mix 70/30. However, reproductive toxicology and teratology studies have been performed with NovoLog (the rapid-acting component of NovoLog Mix 70/30) and regular human insulin in rats and rabbits. In these studies, NovoLog was given to female rats before mating, during mating, and throughout pregnancy, and to rabbits during organogenesis. The effects of NovoLog did not differ from those observed with subcutaneous regular human insulin. NovoLog, like human insulin, caused pre- and post-implantation losses and visceral/skeletal abnormalities in rats at a dose of 200 U/kg/day (approximately 32-times the human subcutaneous dose of 1.0 U/kg/day, based on U/body surface area), and in rabbits at a dose of 10 U/kg/day (approximately three times the human subcutaneous dose of 1.0 U/kg/day, based on U/body surface area). The effects are probably secondary to maternal hypoglycemia at high doses. No significant effects were observed in rats at a dose of 50 U/kg/day and rabbits at a dose of 3 U/kg/day. These doses are approximately 8 times the human subcutaneous dose of 1.0 U/kg/day for rats and equal to the human subcutaneous dose of 1.0 U/kg/day for rabbits based on U/body surface area.

It is not known whether NovoLog Mix 70/30 can cause fetal harm when administered to a pregnant woman or can affect reproductive capacity. There are no adequate and well-controlled studies of the use of NovoLog Mix 70/30 in pregnant women. NovoLog Mix 70/30 should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus.

Nursing mothers-It is unknown whether NovoLog Mix 70/30 is excreted in human milk as is human insulin. There are no adequate and well-controlled studies of the use of NovoLog Mix 70/30 in lactating women.

Pediatric Use-Safety and effectiveness of NovoLog Mix 70/30 in children have not been established.

Geriatric Use- Clinical studies of NovoLog Mix 70/30 did not include sufficient numbers of patients aged 65 and over to determine whether they respond differently than younger patients. In general, dose selection for an elderly patient should be cautious, usually starting at the low end of the dosing range reflecting the greater frequency of decreased hepatic, renal, or cardiac function, and of concomitant disease or other drug therapy in this population.

ADVERSE REACTIONS
Clinical trials comparing NovoLog Mix 70/30 with Novolin 70/30 did not demonstrate a difference in frequency of adverse events between the two treatments. Adverse events commonly associated with human insulin therapy include the following:
**Body as whole:** Allergic reactions (see PRECAUTIONS, Allergy).

**Skin and Appendages:** Local injection site reactions or rash or pruritus, as with other insulin therapies, occurred in 7% of all patients on NovoLog Mix 70/30 and 5% on Novolin 70/30. Rash led to withdrawal of therapy in <1% of patients on either drug (see PRECAUTIONS, Allergy).

**Hypoglycemia:** see WARNINGS and PRECAUTIONS.

**Other:** Small elevations in alkaline phosphatase were observed in patients treated in NovoLog controlled clinical trials. There have been no clinical consequences of these laboratory findings.

**OVERDOSAGE**

Hypoglycemia may occur as a result of an excess of insulin relative to food intake, energy expenditure, or both. Mild episodes of hypoglycemia usually can be treated with oral glucose. Adjustments in drug dosage, meal patterns, or exercise, may be needed. More severe episodes with coma, seizure, or neurologic impairment may be treated with intramuscular/subcutaneous glucagon or concentrated intravenous glucose. Sustained carbohydrate intake and observation may be necessary because hypoglycemia may recur after apparent clinical recovery.

**DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION**

**General**

Fixed ratio insulins are typically dosed on a twice daily basis, i.e. before breakfast and supper, with each dose intended to cover two meals or a meal and snack. NovoLog Mix 70/30 is intended only for subcutaneous injection (into the abdominal wall, thigh, or upper arm). NovoLog Mix 70/30 should not be administered intravenously. The absorption rate of NovoLog Mix 70/30 from the subcutaneous tissue allows dosing within 15 minutes of meal initiation.

Dose regimens of NovoLog Mix 70/30 will vary among patients and should be determined by the health care professional familiar with the patient’s metabolic needs, eating habits, and other lifestyle variables. As with all insulins, the duration of action may vary according to the dose, injection site, blood flow, temperature, and level of physical activity and conditioning.

Table 3. Summary of pharmacodynamic properties of insulin products (pooled cross-study comparison) and recommended interval between dosing and meal initiation

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Insulin Products</th>
<th>Dose (U/kg) Used in Study</th>
<th>Recommended interval between dosing and meal initiation (minutes)*</th>
<th>Time of Peak Activity (hours after dosing) (mean± SD)</th>
<th>Percent of Total Activity Occurring in the First 4 hours (mean, range)</th>
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<tr>
<td>NovoLog</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>10-20</td>
<td>2.2 ± 0.98</td>
<td>65% ± 11%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Novolin R</td>
<td>0.2</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>3.3</td>
<td>60% ± 16%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Novolin 50/50</td>
<td>0.5</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>4.0 ± 0.6</td>
<td>54% ± 12%</td>
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<td>NovoLog Mix 70/30</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>10-20</td>
<td>2.4 ± 0.80</td>
<td>45% ± 22%</td>
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<td>Novolin 70/30</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>4.2 ± 0.39</td>
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<td>Novolin N</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>8.0 ± 5.3</td>
<td>21% ±11%</td>
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Administration using NovoLog® Mix 70/30 FlexPen® or vials:

Disposable NovoLog® Mix 70/30 FlexPen®:
NovoLog Mix 70/30 suspension should be visually inspected and resuspended immediately before use. The resuspended NovoLog Mix 70/30 must appear uniformly white and cloudy. Before use, roll the disposable NovoLog Mix 70/30 FlexPen prefilled syringe between your palms 10 times. Thereafter, turn the disposable NovoLog Mix 70/30 FlexPen prefilled syringe upside down so that the glass ball moves from one end of the reservoir to the other. Do this at least 10 times. The rolling and turning procedure must be repeated until the suspension appears uniformly white and cloudy. Inject immediately. Before each subsequent injection, turn the disposable NovoLog Mix 70/30 FlexPen prefilled syringe upside down so that the glass ball moves from one end of the reservoir to the other at least 10 times and until the suspension appears uniformly white and cloudy. Inject immediately. **After use, needles on the disposable NovoLog Mix 70/30 FlexPen prefilled syringes should not be recapped.** Used syringes, needles, or lancets should be placed in sharps containers (such as red biohazard containers), hard plastic containers (such as detergent bottles), or metal containers (such as an empty coffee can). Such containers should be sealed and disposed of properly.

Vial: NovoLog Mix 70/30 vial must be resuspended immediately before use. Roll the vial gently 10 times in your hand to mix it. The resuspended NovoLog Mix 70/30 must appear uniformly white and cloudy.

HOW SUPPLIED
NovoLog Mix 70/30 is available in the following package sizes: each presentation contains 100 Units of insulin aspart per mL (U-100).

10 mL vials NDC 0169-3685-12
3 mL NovoLog® Mix 70/30 FlexPen® NDC 0169-3696-19

RECOMMENDED STORAGE
NovoLog Mix 70/30 should be stored between 2°C and 8°C (36°F to 46°F). **Do not freeze. Do not use NovoLog Mix 70/30 if it has been frozen.**

Vials:
The vials should be stored in a refrigerator, not in a freezer. If refrigeration is not possible, the bottle in use can be kept unrefrigerated at room temperature below 30°C (86°F) for up to 28 days, as long as it is kept as cool as possible and away from direct heat and light.
Unpunctured vials can be used until the expiration date printed on the label if they are stored in a refrigerator. Keep unused vials in the carton so they will stay clean and protected from light.

**NovoLog® Mix 70/30 FlexPen®:**

Once a NovoLog Mix 70/30 FlexPen is punctured, it may be used for up to 14 days if it is kept at room temperature below 30°C (86°F). A NovoLog Mix 70/30 FlexPen in use must NOT be stored in the refrigerator. Keep all disposable NovoLog Mix 70/30 FlexPen prefilled syringes away from direct heat and sunlight. Unpunctured NovoLog Mix 70/30 FlexPen prefilled syringes can be used until the expiration date printed on the label if they are stored in a refrigerator. Keep unused NovoLog Mix 70/30 FlexPen prefilled syringes in the carton so they will stay clean and protected from light.

Rx Only.

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