Distant Spread of Toxin Effect

Postmarketing reports indicate that the effects of BOTOX® Cosmetic and all botulinum toxin products may spread from the area of injection to produce symptoms consistent with botulinum toxin effects. These may include asthenia, generalized muscle weakness, diplopia, blurred vision, ptosis, dysphagia, dysphonia, dysarthria, urinary incontinence, and breathing difficulties. These symptoms have been reported hours to weeks after injection. Swallowing and breathing difficulties can be life threatening and there have been reports of death. The risk of symptoms is probably greatest in children treated for spasticity but symptoms can also occur in adults treated for spasticity and other conditions, particularly in those patients who have underlying conditions that would predispose them to these symptoms. In unapproved uses, including spasticity in children and adults, and in approved indications, cases of spread of effect have occurred at doses comparable to those used to treat cervical dystonia and at lower doses.

DESCRIPTION

BOTOX® Cosmetic (onabotulinumtoxinA) for injection, is a sterile, vacuum dried purified botulinum toxin type A, produced from fermentation of Hall strain Clostridium botulinum type A grown in a medium containing casein hydrolysate, glucose, and yeast extract, intended for intramuscular use. It is purified from the culture solution by dialysis and a series of acid precipitations to a complex consisting of the neurotoxin, and several accessory proteins. The complex is dissolved in sterile sodium chloride solution containing Albumin Human and is sterile filtered (0.2 microns) prior to filling and vacuum-drying.

One Unit of BOTOX® Cosmetic corresponds to the calculated median intraperitoneal lethal dose (LD50) in mice. The method utilized for performing the assay is specific to Allergan’s product BOTOX® Cosmetic. Due to specific details of this assay such as the vehicle, dilution scheme and laboratory protocols for the various mouse LD50 assays, Units of biological activity of BOTOX® Cosmetic cannot be compared to nor converted into Units of any other botulinum toxin or any toxin assessed with any other specific assay method. In addition, differences in species sensitivities to different botulinum neurotoxin serotypes precludes extrapolation of animal-dose activity relationships to human dose estimates. The specific activity of BOTOX® Cosmetic is approximately 20 units/nanogram of neurotoxin protein complex.

Each vial of BOTOX® Cosmetic contains either 100 Units of Clostridium botulinum type A neurotoxin complex, 0.5 mg of Albumin Human, and 0.9 mg of sodium chloride or 50 Units of Clostridium botulinum type A neurotoxin complex, 0.25 mg of Albumin Human, and 0.45 mg of sodium chloride in a sterile, vacuum-dried form without a preservative.
CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

**BOTOX® Cosmetic** blocks neuromuscular transmission by binding to acceptor sites on motor nerve terminals, entering the nerve terminals, and inhibiting the release of acetylcholine. This inhibition occurs as the neurotoxin cleaves SNAP-25, a protein integral to the successful docking and release of acetylcholine from vesicles situated within nerve endings. When injected intramuscularly at therapeutic doses, **BOTOX® Cosmetic** produces partial chemical denervation of the muscle resulting in a localized reduction in muscle activity. In addition, the muscle may atrophy, axonal sprouting may occur, and extrajunctional acetylcholine receptors may develop. There is evidence that reinnervation of the muscle may occur, thus slowly reversing muscle denervation produced by **BOTOX® Cosmetic**.

**Pharmacokinetics**

Using currently available analytical technology, it is not possible to detect **BOTOX® Cosmetic** in the peripheral blood following intramuscular injection at the recommended doses.

CLINICAL STUDIES

**Glabellar Lines**

Two phase 3 randomized, multi-center, double blind, placebo-controlled studies of identical design were conducted to evaluate **BOTOX® Cosmetic** for use in the temporary improvement of the appearance of moderate to severe glabellar facial lines. The studies enrolled healthy adults (ages 18 to 75) with glabellar lines of at least moderate severity at maximum frown. Patients were excluded if they had ptosis, deep dermal scarring, or an inability to substantially lessen glabellar lines even by physically spreading them apart. Subjects received a single treatment with **BOTOX® Cosmetic** (N=405, combined studies) or placebo (N=132, combined studies). Injection volume was 0.1 mL/injection site, for a dose/injection site in the active treatment groups of 4 Units. Subjects were injected intramuscularly in five sites, 1 in the procerus muscle and 2 in each corrugator superciliii muscle, for a total dose in the active treatment groups of 20 Units.

The co-primary efficacy endpoints were the investigator’s rating of glabellar line severity at maximum frown and the subject’s global assessment of change in appearance of glabellar lines, both at Day 30 post-injection. For the investigator rating, using a 4-point grading scale (0=none, 3=severe) a responder was defined as having a severity grade of 0 or 1. For the subject’s global assessment of change, the ratings were from +4 (complete improvement) to -4 (very marked worsening). A responder was defined as having a grade of at least +2 (moderate improvement). After completion of the randomized studies, subjects were offered participation in an open label, repeat treatment study to assess the safety of repeated treatment sessions.

The combined results of these two efficacy trials are presented here. The mean age was 46 years, with 32 patients (6%) ≥ 65 years of age. Most of the subjects (82%) were women, and Caucasian (84%). At baseline, 210 patients (39%) had glabellar line severity scores at rest of moderate or severe.

In these studies, the severity of glabellar lines was reduced for up to 120 days in the **BOTOX® Cosmetic** group compared to the placebo group as measured both by investigator rating of
In the subset of patients with resting severity scores of moderate or severe, the investigator assessment of a resting severity of mild or none at day 30 was also achieved by more BOTOX® Cosmetic treated patients (74%, 119/161) than placebo treated patients (20%, 10/49).

Analysis of the limited number of patients 65 years or older suggested lower treatment-associated response compared to patients less than 65 years of age. (Table 3).
TABLE 3.
Investigator’s and Subject’s Assessment – Responder Rates for Subjects < 65 and ≥ 65 Years of Age at Day 30

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<th>Assessment (maximal frown)</th>
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<th>Placebo N=132</th>
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<td>Investigators</td>
<td>&lt; 65</td>
<td>83% 316/382</td>
<td>2% 2/123</td>
<td>81% (77, 86)</td>
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<td>≥ 65</td>
<td>39% 9/23</td>
<td>22% 2/9</td>
<td>17% (-17, 51)</td>
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<td>Subjects</td>
<td>&lt; 65</td>
<td>91% 346/382</td>
<td>7% 8/123</td>
<td>84% (79, 90)</td>
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<td>≥ 65</td>
<td>70% 16/23</td>
<td>11% 1/9</td>
<td>58% (31, 86)</td>
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a 95% confidence intervals are shown in parenthesis

Exploratory analyses by gender suggested that responder rates in the BOTOX® Cosmetic treated group were higher for women than for men for both the investigator assessment (day 30; 85% of 334 women, 59% of 71 men) and the Subject Assessment (day 30; 93% of women, 72% of men). In the limited number of non-Caucasian patients (n=64 in the BOTOX® Cosmetic treated group) the responder rates were similar to those observed in the Caucasian patients.

INDICATIONS AND USAGE
BOTOX® Cosmetic is indicated for the temporary improvement in the appearance of moderate to severe glabellar lines associated with corrugator and/or procerus muscle activity in adult patients ≤ 65 years of age.

CONTRAINDICATIONS
BOTOX® Cosmetic is contraindicated in the presence of infection at the proposed injection site(s) and in individuals with known hypersensitivity to any botulinum toxin preparation or to any of the components in the formulation.

WARNINGS
BOTOX® and BOTOX® Cosmetic contain the same active ingredient in the same formulation. Therefore, adverse events observed with the use of BOTOX® also have the potential to be associated with the use of BOTOX® Cosmetic.

The recommended dosage and frequency of administration for BOTOX® Cosmetic should not be exceeded. Risks resulting from administration at higher dosages are not known.

Lack of Interchangeability between Botulinum Toxin Products
The potency Units of BOTOX® Cosmetic are specific to the preparation and assay method utilized. They are not interchangeable with other preparations of botulinum toxin products and, therefore, units of biological activity of BOTOX® Cosmetic cannot be compared to or converted into units of any other botulinum toxin products assessed with any other specific assay method (see DESCRIPTION).
Spread of Toxin Effect
Postmarketing safety data from BOTOX® Cosmetic and other approved botulinum toxins suggest that botulinum toxin effects may, in some cases, be observed beyond the site of local injection. The symptoms are consistent with the mechanism of action of botulinum toxin and may include asthenia, generalized muscle weakness, diplopia, blurred vision, ptosis, dysphagia, dysphonia, dysarthria, urinary incontinence, and breathing difficulties. These symptoms have been reported hours to weeks after injection. Swallowing and breathing difficulties can be life threatening and there have been reports of death related to spread of toxin effects. The risk of symptoms is probably greatest in children treated for spasticity but symptoms can also occur in adults treated for spasticity and other conditions, and particularly in those patients who have underlying conditions that would predispose them to these symptoms. In unapproved uses, including spasticity in children and adults, and in approved indications, symptoms consistent with spread of toxin effect have been reported at doses comparable to or lower than doses used to treat cervical dystonia.

No definitive serious adverse event reports of distant spread of toxin effect associated with dermatologic use of BOTOX®/BOTOX® Cosmetic at the labeled dose of 20 Units (for glabellar lines) or 100 Units (for severe primary axillary hyperhidrosis) have been reported.

No definitive serious adverse event reports of distant spread of toxin effect associated with BOTOX® for blepharospasm at the recommended dose (30 Units and below) or for strabismus at the labeled doses have been reported.

Hypersensitivity Reactions
Serious and/or immediate hypersensitivity reactions have been reported. These reactions include anaphylaxis, urticaria, soft tissue edema, and dyspnea. If such a reaction occurs, further injection of BOTOX® Cosmetic should be discontinued and appropriate medical therapy immediately instituted. One fatal case of anaphylaxis has been reported in which lidocaine was used as the diluent, and consequently the causal agent cannot be reliably determined.

Pre-Existing Neuromuscular Disorders
Individuals with peripheral motor neuropathic diseases, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, or neuromuscular junctional disorders (e.g., myasthenia gravis or Lambert-Eaton syndrome) should be monitored particularly closely when given botulinum toxin. Patients with neuromuscular disorders may be at increased risk of clinically significant effects including severe dysphagia and respiratory compromise from typical doses of BOTOX® Cosmetic (see ADVERSE REACTIONS).

Dysphagia and Breathing Difficulties in Treatment of Cervical Dystonia
Treatment with BOTOX® and other botulinum toxin products can result in swallowing or breathing difficulties. Patients with pre-existing swallowing or breathing difficulties may be more susceptible to these complications. In most cases, this is a consequence of weakening of muscles in the area of injection that are involved in breathing or swallowing. When distant effects occur, additional respiratory muscles may be involved (see WARNINGS).
Deaths as a complication of severe dysphagia have been reported after treatment with botulinum toxin. Dysphagia may persist for several months, and require use of a feeding tube to maintain adequate nutrition and hydration. Aspiration may result from severe dysphagia and is a particular risk when treating patients in whom swallowing or respiratory function is already compromised.

Treatment of cervical dystonia with botulinum toxins may weaken neck muscles that serve as accessory muscles of ventilation. This may result in a critical loss of breathing capacity in patients with respiratory disorders who may have become dependent upon these accessory muscles. There have been postmarketing reports of serious breathing difficulties, including respiratory failure, in cervical dystonia patients. Patients treated with botulinum toxin may require immediate medical attention should they develop problems with swallowing, speech, or respiratory disorders. These reactions can occur within hours to weeks after injection with botulinum toxin (see WARNINGS, ADVERSE REACTIONS, CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY).

**Cardiovascular System**
There have been reports following administration of BOTOX® of adverse events involving the cardiovascular system, including arrhythmia and myocardial infarction, some with fatal outcomes. Some of these patients had risk factors including pre-existing cardiovascular disease.

**Human Albumin**
This product contains albumin, a derivative of human blood. Based on effective donor screening and product manufacturing processes, it carries an extremely remote risk for transmission of viral diseases. A theoretical risk for transmission of Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (CJD) also is considered extremely remote. No cases of transmission of viral diseases or CJD have ever been identified for albumin.

**PRECAUTIONS**
The safe and effective use of BOTOX® Cosmetic depends upon proper storage of the product, selection of the correct dose, and proper reconstitution and administration techniques. Physicians administering BOTOX® Cosmetic must understand the relevant neuromuscular and/or orbital anatomy of the area involved, as well as any alterations to the anatomy due to prior surgical procedures and avoid injection into vulnerable anatomic areas.

Caution should be used when BOTOX® Cosmetic treatment is used in the presence of inflammation at the proposed injection site(s) or when excessive weakness or atrophy is present in the target muscle(s).

Reduced blinking from BOTOX® Cosmetic injection of the orbicularis muscle can lead to corneal exposure, persistent epithelial defect and corneal ulceration, especially in patients with VII nerve disorders. In the use of BOTOX® for the treatment of blepharospasm, one case of corneal perforation in an aphakic eye requiring corneal grafting has occurred because of this effect. Careful testing of corneal sensation in eyes previously operated upon, avoidance of injection into the lower lid area to avoid ectropion, and vigorous treatment of any epithelial defect should be employed. This may require protective drops, ointment, therapeutic soft contact lenses, or closure of the eye by patching or other means.
Inducing paralysis in one or more extraocular muscles may produce spatial disorientation, double vision or past pointing. Covering the affected eye may alleviate these symptoms.

Caution should be used when BOTOX® Cosmetic treatment is used in patients who have an inflammatory skin problem at the injection site, marked facial asymmetry, ptosis, excessive dermatochalasis, deep dermal scarring, thick sebaceous skin or the inability to substantially lessen glabellar lines by physically spreading them apart as these patients were excluded from the Phase 3 safety and efficacy trials.

Needle-related pain and/or anxiety may result in vasovagal responses, (including e.g., syncope, hypotension) which may require appropriate medical therapy.

Injection intervals of BOTOX® Cosmetic should be no more frequent than every three months and should be performed using the lowest effective dose (see ADVERSE REACTIONS, IMMUNOGENICITY).

Information for Patients
The physician should provide a copy of the FDA-Approved Patient Medication Guide and review the contents with the patient. Patients should be advised to inform their doctor or pharmacist if they develop any unusual symptoms (including difficulty with swallowing, speaking, or breathing), or if any existing symptom worsens.

Patients should be counseled that if loss of strength, muscle weakness, or impaired vision occur, they should avoid driving a car or engaging in other potentially hazardous activities.

Drug Interactions
Co-administration of BOTOX® Cosmetic and aminoglycosides¹ or other agents interfering with neuromuscular transmission (e.g., curare-like nondepolarizing blockers, lincosamides, polymyxins, quinidine, magnesium sulfate, anticholinesterases, succinylcholine chloride) should only be performed with caution as the effect of the toxin may be potentiated.

The effect of administering different botulinum neurotoxin serotypes at the same time or within several months of each other is unknown. Excessive neuromuscular weakness may be exacerbated by administration of another botulinum toxin prior to the resolution of the effects of a previously administered botulinum toxin.

Pregnancy: Pregnancy Category C
Administration of BOTOX® Cosmetic is not recommended during pregnancy. There are no adequate and well-controlled studies of BOTOX® Cosmetic in pregnant women. When pregnant mice and rats were injected intramuscularly during the period of organogenesis, the developmental NOEL (No Observed Effect Level) of BOTOX® Cosmetic was 4 Units/kg. Higher doses (8 Units/kg or 16 Units/kg) were associated with reductions in fetal body weights and/or delayed ossification.
In a range finding study in rabbits, daily injection of 0.125 Units/kg/day (days 6 to 18 of gestation) and 2 Units/kg (days 6 and 13 of gestation) produced severe maternal toxicity, abortions and/or fetal malformations. Higher doses resulted in death of the dams. The rabbit appears to be a very sensitive species to **BOTOX® Cosmetic**.

If the patient becomes pregnant after the administration of this drug, the patient should be apprised of the potential risks, including abortion or fetal malformations that have been observed in rabbits.

**Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility**

Long term studies in animals have not been performed to evaluate carcinogenic potential of **BOTOX® Cosmetic**.

The reproductive NOEL following intramuscular injection of 0, 4, 8, and 16 Units/kg was 4 Units/kg in male rats and 8 Units/kg in female rats. Higher doses were associated with dose-dependent reductions in fertility in male rats (where limb weakness resulted in the inability to mate), and testicular atrophy or an altered estrous cycle in female rats. There were no adverse effects on the viability of the embryos.

**Nursing Mothers**

It is not known whether this drug is excreted in human milk. Because many drugs are excreted in human milk, caution should be exercised when **BOTOX® Cosmetic** is administered to a nursing woman.

**Pediatric Use**

Use of **BOTOX® Cosmetic** is not recommended in children.

**Geriatric Use**

The two clinical studies of **BOTOX® Cosmetic** did not include sufficient numbers of subjects aged 65 and over to determine whether they respond differently from younger subjects. However, the responder rates appeared to be higher for patients younger than age 65 than for patients 65 years or older (see **CLINICAL STUDIES**).

There were too few patients (N=3) over the age of 75 to allow any meaningful comparisons.

**ADVERSE REACTIONS**

**General**

**BOTOX®** and **BOTOX® Cosmetic** contain the same active ingredient in the same formulation. Therefore adverse events observed with the use of **BOTOX®** also have the potential to be associated with the use of **BOTOX® Cosmetic**.

The most serious adverse events reported after treatment with botulinum toxin include spontaneous reports of death, sometimes associated with anaphylaxis, dysphagia, pneumonia, and/or other significant debility.
There have also been reports of adverse events involving the cardiovascular system, including arrhythmia and myocardial infarction, some with fatal outcomes. Some of these patients had risk factors including pre-existing cardiovascular disease. (see WARNINGS).

New onset or recurrent seizures have also been reported, typically in patients who are predisposed to experiencing these events. The exact relationship of these events to the botulinum toxin injection has not been established. Additionally, a report of acute angle closure glaucoma one day after receiving an injection of botulinum toxin for blepharospasm was received, with recovery four months later after laser iridotomy and trabeculectomy. Focal facial paralysis, syncope and exacerbation of myasthenia gravis have also been reported after treatment of blepharospasm.

In general, adverse events occur within the first week following injection of BOTOX® Cosmetic and while generally transient may have a duration of several months or longer. Localized pain, infection, inflammation, tenderness, swelling, erythema and/or bleeding/bruising may be associated with the injection. Local weakness of the injected muscle(s) represents the expected pharmacological action of botulinum toxin. However, weakness of adjacent muscles may also occur due to spread of toxin.

Glabellar Lines
In clinical trials of BOTOX® Cosmetic the most frequently reported adverse events following injection of BOTOX® Cosmetic were headache*, respiratory infection*, flu syndrome*, blepharoptosis and nausea. Less frequently occurring (<3%) adverse reactions included pain in the face, erythema at the injection site*, paresthesia* and muscle weakness. While local weakness of the injected muscle(s) is representative of the expected pharmacological action of botulinum toxin, weakness of adjacent muscles may occur as a result of the spread of toxin. These events are thought to be associated with the injection and occurred within the first week. The events were generally transient but may last several months or longer. (* incidence not different from Placebo)

The data described in Table 4 reflect exposure to BOTOX® Cosmetic in 405 subjects aged 18 to 75 who were evaluated in the randomized, placebo-controlled clinical studies to assess the use of BOTOX® Cosmetic in the improvement of the appearance of glabellar lines (see CLINICAL STUDIES). Adverse events of any cause were reported for 44% of the BOTOX® Cosmetic treated subjects and 42% of the placebo treated subjects. The incidence of blepharoptosis was higher in the BOTOX® Cosmetic treated arm than in placebo (3% vs. 0).

In the open-label, repeat injection study, blepharoptosis was reported for 2% (8/373) of subjects in the first treatment cycle and 1% (4/343) of subjects in the second treatment cycle. Adverse events of any type were reported for 49% (183/373) of subjects overall. The most frequently reported of these adverse events in the open-label study included respiratory infection, headache, flu syndrome, blepharoptosis, pain and nausea.

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 be predictive of rates observed in practice.

**TABLE 4.**
Adverse Events Reported at Higher Frequency (>1%) in the BOTOX® Cosmetic Group Compared to the Placebo Group

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**Immunogenicity**

Treatment with BOTOX® Cosmetic may result in the formation of neutralizing antibodies that may reduce the effectiveness of subsequent treatments with BOTOX® Cosmetic by inactivating the biological activity of the toxin. The rate of formation of neutralizing antibodies in patients receiving BOTOX® Cosmetic has not been well studied.

The critical factors for neutralizing antibody formation have not been well characterized. The results from some studies suggest that botulinum toxin injections at more frequent intervals or at higher doses may lead to greater incidence of antibody formation. The potential for antibody formation may be minimized by injecting the lowest effective dose given at the longest feasible intervals between injections.

**Postmarketing Experience**

Transient ptosis, the most frequently reported complication, has been reported in the literature in approximately 5% of patients. There has been a single report of diplopia, which resolved completely in three weeks.

The following other adverse reactions have been identified since the drug has been marketed:
abdominal pain; blurred vision; brachial plexopathy; decreased hearing; diarrhea; ear noise; erythema multiforme; fever; focal facial paralysis; glaucoma; localized numbness; loss of appetite; malaise; myalgia; myasthenia gravis; pruritus; psoriasiform eruption; retinal vein occlusion; sweating; syncope; vertigo with nystagmus; and vomiting.

Because these reactions are reported voluntarily from a population of uncertain size, it is not always possible to reliably estimate their frequency or establish a causal relationship to botulinum toxin.

**Reporting Adverse Events**
Adverse events following use of BOTOX® Cosmetic should be reported to the Pharmacovigilance Department, Allergan Inc. (1-800-433-8871). Adverse events may also be reported to the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Adverse Event Reporting System. Report forms and reporting requirement information can be obtained from Adverse Event Reporting System (AERS) through a toll free number 1-800-822-7967.

**Overdosage**
Excessive doses of BOTOX® Cosmetic may be expected to produce neuromuscular weakness with a variety of symptoms. Respiratory support may be required where excessive doses cause paralysis of respiratory muscles. In the event of overdose, the patient should be medically monitored for symptoms of excessive muscle weakness or muscle paralysis (see WARNINGS and PRECAUTIONS). Symptomatic treatment may be necessary.

Symptoms of overdose are likely not to be present immediately following injection. Should accidental injection or oral ingestion occur, the person should be medically supervised for several weeks for signs and symptoms of excessive muscle weakness or muscle paralysis.

In the event of overdose, antitoxin raised against botulinum toxin is available from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta, GA. However, the antitoxin will not reverse any botulinum toxin-induced effects already apparent by the time of antitoxin administration. In the event of suspected or actual cases of botulinum toxin poisoning, please contact your local or state Health Department to process a request for antitoxin through the CDC. If you do not receive a response within 30 minutes, please contact the CDC directly at 1-770-488-7100. More information can be obtained at http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/srp/drugs/drug-service.html.

**DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION**

**For Intramuscular Injection Only**

BOTOX® Cosmetic is to be reconstituted only with 0.9% sterile, non-preserved saline prior to intramuscular injection. Per the dilution table below, draw up the required amount of 0.9% sterile non-preserved sodium chloride solution into a syringe to obtain a reconstituted solution at a concentration of 4 Units/0.1 mL and a total treatment dose of 20 Units in 0.5 mL. The duration of activity of BOTOX® Cosmetic for glabellar lines is approximately 3-4 months. The safety and
effectiveness of more frequent dosing with \textbf{BOTOX® Cosmetic} has not been clinically evaluated and is not recommended.

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\textbf{Diluent Added to} & \textbf{Resulting} & \textbf{Diluent Added to} & \textbf{Resulting} \\
\textbf{100 Unit Vial} & \textbf{Dose Units} & \textbf{50 Unit Vial} & \textbf{Dose Units} \\
\textbf{(0.9\% Sodium} & \textbf{per 0.1 mL)} & \textbf{(0.9\% Sodium} & \textbf{per 0.1 mL)} \\
\textbf{Chloride Only)} & & \textbf{Chloride Only)} & \\
\hline
2.5 mL & 4 Units & 1.25 mL & 4 Units \\
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\caption{Dilution Table}
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Reconstituted \textbf{BOTOX® Cosmetic} should be clear, colorless, and free of particulate matter.

\textbf{BOTOX® Cosmetic is supplied as a single use vial.} The product and diluent do not contain a preservative. Once opened and reconstituted it should be stored in a refrigerator (2° to 8°C) and used within four hours. Discard any remaining solution. Parenteral drug products should be inspected visually for particulate matter and discoloration prior to administration whenever solution and container permit. Do not freeze reconstituted \textbf{BOTOX® Cosmetic}.

\textbf{Dilution Technique}
Using a 21-gauge needle and an appropriately sized syringe draw up a total of 2.5 mL/100 Unit vial or 1.25 mL/50 Unit vial of 0.9\% sterile saline without a preservative. Insert the needle at a 45° angle and slowly inject into the \textbf{BOTOX® Cosmetic} vial. Discard the vial if a vacuum does not pull the diluent into the vial. Gently rotate the vial and record the date and time of reconstitution on the space on the label.

Draw at least 0.5 mL of the properly reconstituted toxin into the sterile syringe, preferably a tuberculin syringe and expel any air bubbles in the syringe barrel. Remove the needle used to reconstitute the product and attach a 30-33 gauge needle. Confirm the patency of the needle.

\textbf{Injection Technique}
Glabellar facial lines arise from the activity of the corrugator and orbicularis oculi muscles. These muscles move the brow medially, and the procerus and depressor supercilii pull the brow inferiorly. This creates a frown or “furrowed brow”. The location, size, and use of the muscles vary markedly among individuals. Lines induced by facial expression occur perpendicular to the direction of action of contracting facial muscles. An effective dose for facial lines is determined by gross observation of the patient’s ability to activate the superficial muscles injected.

In order to reduce the complication of ptosis the following steps should be taken:
- Avoid injection near the levator palpebrae superioris, particularly in patients with larger brow depressor complexes.
- Lateral corrugator injections should be placed at least 1 centimeter above the bony supraorbital ridge.
- Ensure the injected volume/dose is accurate and where feasible kept to a minimum.
- Do not inject toxin closer than 1 cm above the central eyebrow.
Using a 30-33 gauge needle, inject a dose of 0.1 mL into each of 5 sites, 2 in each corrugator muscle and 1 in the procerus muscle for a total dose of 20 Units. Typically the initial doses of reconstituted BOTOX® Cosmetic induce chemical denervation of the injected muscles one to two days after injection, increasing in intensity during the first week.

**HOW SUPPLIED**

BOTOX® Cosmetic is supplied in a single use vial in the following sizes.

- 50 Units: NDC 0023-9232-50
- 100 Units: NDC 0023-9232-01

Vials of BOTOX® Cosmetic have a holographic film on the vial label that contains the name “Allergan” within horizontal lines of rainbow color. In order to see the hologram, rotate the vial back and forth between your fingers under a desk lamp or fluorescent light source. (Note: the holographic film on the label is absent in the date/batch area.) If you do not see the lines of rainbow color or the name “Allergan,” do not use the product and contact Allergan for additional information at 1-800-890-4345 from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM Pacific Time.

**Rx Only**

**Single use vial.**

**Storage:**

Unopened vials of BOTOX® Cosmetic should be stored in a refrigerator (2° to 8°C) for up to 36 months for the 100 Unit vial or up to 24 months for the 50 Unit vial.

Administer BOTOX® Cosmetic within 4 hours of reconstitution; during this period reconstituted BOTOX® Cosmetic should be stored in a refrigerator (2° to 8°C). Reconstituted BOTOX® Cosmetic should be clear, colorless and free of particulate matter.

Do not use after the expiration date on the vial. All vials, including expired vials, or equipment used with the drug should be disposed of carefully as is done with all medical waste.
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