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## HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

These highlights do not include all the information needed to use BabyBIG, [Botulism Immune Globulin Intravenous (Human)], safely and effectively. See full prescribing information for BabyBIG.

**BabyBIG [Botulism Immune Globulin Intravenous (Human) (BIG-IV)]  
Lyophilized Powder for Reconstitution and Injection  
Initial U.S. Approval: 2003**

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

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

BabyBIG is an immune globulin intravenous (human) indicated for:

- Treatment of infant botulism caused by toxin types A or B in patients below one year of age (1).

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

**Intravenous use only (2)**

- Recommended dose is 1.0 mL/kg (50 mg/kg) given as a single intravenous infusion (2).
- Reconstitute in 2 mL Sterile Water for Injection USP and initiate infusion within 2 hours of reconstitution (2.1).
- Administer BabyBIG through a separate intravenous line (2.3).
- Begin infusion slowly (0.5 mL/kg/h); if no untoward reaction in 15 minutes, increase rate to 1.0 mL/kg/h (2.2, 2.3).
- DO NOT EXCEED THE RECOMMENDED DOSE, CONCENTRATION, AND RATE OF INFUSION (2.3).

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

- Single-use vial of 100 mg  $\pm$  20 mg lyophilized immunoglobulin (3)
- Reconstitution as directed results in a BabyBIG solution concentration of 50 mg/mL (2.1)

### -----CONTRAINDICATIONS-----

- Prior history of severe reaction to other human immunoglobulin preparations (4)
- Selective immunoglobulin A deficiency with anti-IgA antibodies (4)

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

- Assess renal function prior to and following administration (5.1, 5.2).
- Anaphylaxis and hypersensitivity reactions may occur (5.4). This risk should be considered when an IgA-deficient patient is to receive subsequent administration of blood products containing IgA after previous treatment with BabyBIG (4).
- Hyperproteinemia, increased serum viscosity and hyponatremia may occur in patients receiving immune globulin intravenous (human) (IGIV) therapy (5.6).
- Thrombotic events have occurred in patients receiving IGIV products. Monitor patients with known risk factors for thrombotic events; consider baseline assessment of blood viscosity for those at risk of hyperviscosity (5.7).
- Hemolytic anemia can develop subsequent to IGIV therapy due to enhanced RBC sequestration (5.8).
- IGIV recipients should be monitored for pulmonary adverse reactions, such as Transfusion-Related Acute Lung Injury (TRALI) (5.9).

- Aseptic meningitis syndrome (AMS) has been reported with other IGIV treatment, especially with high doses or rapid infusion (5.5).
- The product is made from human plasma and may contain infectious agents, e.g. viruses and, theoretically, the Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease agent (5.3).

-----**ADVERSE REACTIONS**-----

The most common adverse reaction occurring in at least 5% of the patients treated with BabyBIG in a controlled clinical study was mild and transient erythematous rash of the face or trunk (6.1).

To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact the California Department of Public Health at 1-510-231-7600 and <http://www.infantbotulism.org/> or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or [www.fda.gov/medwatch](http://www.fda.gov/medwatch).

-----**DRUG INTERACTIONS**-----

- The passive transfer of antibodies may interfere with the response to live viral vaccines (7).

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

- For use only in patients below one year of age (8.4)
- Renal impairment: Administer at minimum concentration and rate of infusion (2.3)

**See 17 for PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION**

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## FULL PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

### 1 INDICATIONS AND USAGE

BabyBIG<sup>®</sup>, Botulism Immune Globulin Intravenous (Human), is indicated for the treatment of infant botulism caused by toxin type A or B in patients below one year of age.

### 2 DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

#### For Intravenous Use Only

#### 2.1 Preparation for Administration

- BabyBIG does not contain a preservative. After reconstitution of the lyophilized product, the vial should be entered only once for the purpose of administration, and the infusion should begin within 2 hours of reconstitution.
- Remove the tab portion of the vial cap and clean the rubber stopper with 70% alcohol or equivalent.
- Reconstitute the lyophilized powder with 2 mL of Sterile Water for Injection USP, to obtain a 50 mg/mL BabyBIG solution. A double-ended transfer needle or large syringe is suitable for adding the water for reconstitution. When using a double-ended transfer needle, insert one end first into the vial of water. The lyophilized powder is supplied in an evacuated vial; therefore, the water should transfer by suction (the jet of water should be aimed to the side of the vial). After the water is transferred into the evacuated vial, the residual vacuum should be released to hasten the dissolution.
- Rotate the container gently to wet all the powder. An approximately 30-minute interval should be allowed for dissolving the powder. **DO NOT SHAKE THE VIAL, AS THIS WILL CAUSE FOAMING.**
- Inspect BabyBIG visually for particulate matter and discoloration prior to administration. Infuse the solution only if it is colorless, free of particulate matter, and not turbid [*see WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS (5)*].
- To prevent the transmission of hepatitis viruses or other infectious agents from one person to another, use sterile disposable syringes and needles. Never reuse syringes and needles.

#### 2.2 Treatment of Infant Botulism Caused by Toxin Type A or B

The recommended total dosage of BabyBIG is 1.0 mL/kg (50 mg/kg), given as a single intravenous infusion as soon as the clinical diagnosis of infant botulism is made. BabyBIG should be used with caution in patients with pre-existing renal insufficiency and in patients judged to be at increased risk of developing renal insufficiency (including, but not limited to, those with diabetes mellitus, volume depletion, paraproteinemia, sepsis, or who are receiving known nephrotoxic drugs) [*see WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS (5.1)*].

#### 2.3 Administration

- Do not pre-dilute BabyBIG before infusion.
- Begin infusion within 2 hours after reconstitution is complete and conclude within 4 hours of reconstitution, unless infusion is temporarily interrupted for adverse reaction. Monitor vital signs continuously during infusion.
- Administer BabyBIG intravenously using low volume tubing and a constant infusion pump (*i.e.*, an IVAC pump or equivalent) through a separate intravenous line. If a separate line is not possible, it may be “piggybacked” into a pre-existing line if that line contains either Sodium Chloride Injection USP, or one of the following dextrose solutions (with or without NaCl added): 2.5% dextrose in water, 5% dextrose in water, 10% dextrose in water, or

20% dextrose in water. If a pre-existing line must be used, do not dilute BabyBIG more than 1:2 with any of the above-named solutions. Admixtures of BabyBIG with any other solutions have not been evaluated. Use an in-line or syringe-tip sterile, disposable filter (18 µm) for the administration of BabyBIG.

- In the absence of prospective data allowing identification of the maximum safe dose, concentration, and rate of infusion in these patients, **DO NOT EXCEED THE RECOMMENDED DOSE, CONCENTRATION, AND RATE OF INFUSION.**
- Begin infusion slowly. Administer BabyBIG intravenously at 0.5 mL per kg body weight per hour (25 mg/kg/h). If no untoward reactions occur after 15 minutes, the rate may be increased to 1.0 mL/kg/h (50 mg/kg/h). **DO NOT EXCEED THIS RATE OF ADMINISTRATION.** Monitor the patient closely during and after each rate change [*see WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS (5.1)*]. At the recommended rates, infusion of the indicated dose should take 67.5 minutes total elapsed time.

<b>Time (minutes)</b>	<b>Rate of 5% Solution</b>	<b>mg/kg/hr</b>
0-15	0.5 mL/kg/h	25
15 to end of infusion	1.0 mL/kg/h	50

- As adverse reactions experienced by patients treated with immune globulin intravenous (human) (IGIV) products have been related to the infusion rate, if the patient develops a minor side effect (*i.e.*, flushing), slow the rate of infusion or temporarily interrupt the infusion. If anaphylaxis or a significant drop in blood pressure occurs, discontinue the infusion and administer epinephrine.

### **3 DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS**

- 100 mg ± 20 mg lyophilized immunoglobulin per single-dose vial

### **4 CONTRAINDICATIONS**

- As with other immunoglobulin preparations, BabyBIG should not be used in individuals with a prior history of severe reaction to other human immunoglobulin preparations.<sup>[1-4]</sup>
- Individuals with selective immunoglobulin A deficiency have the potential for developing antibodies to immunoglobulin A and could have anaphylactic reactions to the subsequent administration of blood products that contain immunoglobulin A.

### **5 WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS**

Only administer BabyBIG as an intravenous infusion, since other routes of administration have not been evaluated. Do not use BabyBIG if the reconstituted solution is turbid [*see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION (2.1)*].

#### **5.1 Patient Monitoring for Administration**

- Patients should be well hydrated prior to the initiation of the BabyBIG infusion.
- Assess renal function, including the measurement of blood urea nitrogen (BUN) or serum creatinine prior to the initial infusion of BabyBIG [*see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION (2)*]. Periodic monitoring of renal function tests and urine output is particularly important in patients judged to have a potential risk for developing acute renal failure.<sup>[1-6]</sup> Increases in serum creatinine and BUN have been observed as soon as one to two days following treatment with other IGIV products.

- During administration, monitor the patient's vital signs continuously and observe the patient carefully for any associated symptoms.
- DO NOT EXCEED THE RECOMMENDED INFUSION RATE of 1 mL/kg/hour (50 mg/kg/h), and follow the infusion schedule closely [*see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION (2.3)*]. If a patient develops an infusion reaction, slow the rate of infusion immediately or temporarily interrupt the infusion.

## 5.2 Renal Adverse Reactions

Other IGIV products have been reported to be associated with renal dysfunction, acute renal failure, osmotic nephrosis, and death.<sup>[5, 6]</sup> While these reports of renal dysfunction and acute renal failure have been associated with the use of many licensed IGIV products, those that contained sucrose as a stabilizer and were administered at daily doses of 400 mg/kg or greater have accounted for a disproportionate share of the total number.<sup>[5, 7]</sup> BabyBIG contains sucrose as a stabilizer. Patients predisposed to acute renal failure include those patients with any degree of pre-existing renal insufficiency, diabetes mellitus, volume depletion, sepsis, paraproteinemia, or who are receiving known nephrotoxic drugs. Especially in such patients, BabyBIG should be administered at the minimum concentration available and at the minimum rate of infusion practicable.<sup>[1-4]</sup>

## 5.3 Transmission of Blood-Borne Infectious Agents

BabyBIG is made from human plasma and, like other plasma products, carries the possibility for transmission of blood-borne viral agents and, theoretically, the Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease agent. The risk of transmission of recognized blood-borne viruses has been reduced by screening plasma donors for prior exposure to certain viruses, for the presence of certain viral infections, and by the viral inactivation and/or removal properties of the precipitation procedures used for the purification of BabyBIG [*see DESCRIPTION (11)*]. Despite these measures, some as yet unrecognized blood-borne infectious agents may not be inactivated by the manufacturing process; therefore, BabyBIG, like any other blood product, should be given only if a benefit is expected [*see PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION (17)*].

## 5.4 Anaphylaxis

- Severe reactions, such as angioedema and anaphylactic shock, although not observed during clinical trials with BabyBIG, are a possibility.<sup>[8, 9]</sup> Clinical anaphylaxis may occur even when the patient is not known to be sensitive to immune globulin products. A reaction may be related to the rate of infusion; therefore, carefully adhere to the infusion rates as outlined under "DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION (2.3)." If anaphylaxis or a drop in blood pressure occurs, discontinue the infusion and administer epinephrine.<sup>[1-4]</sup>
- Although acute systemic allergic reactions were not seen in clinical trials with BabyBIG, epinephrine should be available for treatment of acute allergic symptoms [*see ADVERSE REACTIONS (6.1)*]. If hypotension or anaphylaxis occurs, discontinue the administration of BabyBIG immediately and give supportive care as needed.

## 5.5 Aseptic Meningitis Syndrome

An aseptic meningitis syndrome (AMS) has been reported to occur infrequently in association with IGIV administration.<sup>[10-13]</sup> The syndrome usually begins within several hours to two days following IGIV treatment. It is characterized by symptoms and signs that include the following: severe headache, nuchal rigidity, drowsiness, fever, photophobia, painful eye movements, and nausea and vomiting. Cerebrospinal fluid studies are frequently positive with pleocytosis up to several thousand cells per cubic millimeter, predominately from the granulocytic series, and with elevated protein levels up to several hundred mg/dL. Conduct a thorough neurological examination in patients exhibiting such symptoms and signs to rule out

other causes of meningitis.<sup>[10-13]</sup> AMS may occur more frequently in association with high total doses (2 g/kg) of IGIV treatment. Discontinuation of IGIV treatment has resulted in remission of AMS within several days without sequelae.<sup>[1, 10-13]</sup> AMS was not observed in clinical trials of BabyBIG.

### **5.6 Hyperproteinemia, Hyponatremia, and Serum Viscosity**

Hyperproteinemia, hyponatremia, and increased serum viscosity have been observed following administration of IGIV products. It is clinically critical to distinguish true hyponatremia from pseudohyponatremia caused by decreased calculated serum osmolality or elevated osmolar gap, because treatment aimed at decreasing serum free water in patients with pseudohyponatremia may lead to volume depletion, a further increase in serum viscosity and a higher risk of thromboembolic events. These adverse events have not been observed with BabyBIG.

### **5.7 Thrombotic Events**

Thrombotic events may occur following IGIV treatment. Patients at risk may include those with a history of atherosclerosis, multiple cardiovascular risk factors, advanced age, impaired cardiac output, coagulation disorders, prolonged periods of immobilization, and/or known or suspected hyperviscosity. Consider baseline assessment of blood viscosity in patients at risk for hyperviscosity, including those with cryoglobulins, fasting chylomicronemia/markedly high triacylglycerols (triglycerides), or monoclonal gammopathies. For patients judged to be at risk of developing thrombotic events, administer BabyBIG at the minimum rate of infusion practicable.

### **5.8 Hemolytic Anemia**

IGIV products may contain blood group antibodies, which can act as hemolysins and induce in vivo coating of red blood cells with immunoglobulin, causing a positive direct antiglobulin reaction and, rarely, hemolysis. Hemolytic anemia may develop subsequent to IGIV therapy due to enhanced red blood cell sequestration.

Monitor patients for clinical signs and symptoms of hemolysis. If these are present after BabyBIG infusion, perform appropriate confirmatory laboratory testing.

### **5.9 Transfusion-Related Acute Lung Injury (TRALI)**

Non-cardiogenic pulmonary edema may occur in patients following IGIV treatment.<sup>[14]</sup> TRALI is characterized by severe respiratory distress, pulmonary edema, hypoxemia, normal left ventricular function, and fever. Symptoms typically occur within 1 to 6 hours following treatment [*See PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION (17)*].

Monitor patients for pulmonary adverse reactions. If TRALI is suspected, perform appropriate tests for the presence of anti-neutrophil antibodies in both the product and patient serum.

TRALI may be managed using oxygen therapy with adequate ventilatory support.

## **6 ADVERSE REACTIONS**

- Serious adverse reactions were not observed in clinical trials using BabyBIG.
- The most common adverse reaction observed with BabyBIG treatment during clinical trials (>5%) was skin rash.
- Other reactions such as chills, muscle cramps, back pain, fever, nausea, vomiting, and wheezing were the most frequent adverse reactions observed during the clinical trials of



similarly-prepared human IGIV products.<sup>[15]</sup> The incidence of these reactions was less than 5% of all infusions in BabyBIG clinical trials, and these reactions were most often related to infusion rates.<sup>[7]</sup>

## 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 clinical practice.*

Two clinical studies of BabyBIG were performed: (1) an adequate and well-controlled study to evaluate safety and efficacy of BabyBIG, which used BabyBIG Lot 1, and (2) an open label study to collect additional safety data and confirm efficacy, which used BabyBIG Lot 2 [see *CLINICAL STUDIES (14)*].<sup>[16, 17]</sup> Different methodologies were used to collect adverse events in the controlled study and open label study. Minor clinical events that were not recorded as adverse events in the controlled study were recorded as adverse events in the open label study.

The only adverse event considered possibly related to BabyBIG administration was a mild, transient erythematous rash of the face or trunk. The following table summarizes the occurrence of rash by day of study relative to day of treatment for the randomized, controlled clinical trial (RCT) and for the open label study (OLS).

Day of Study Relative to Treatment	RCT		OLS
	Placebo* (N=64)	BabyBIG (N=65)	BabyBIG (N=293)
	n (%)		
Day -5	0 (0)	1 (2)	6 (2)
Day -4	2 (3)	1 (2)	5 (2)
Day -3	3 (5)	4 (6)	6 (2)
Day -2	5 (8)	2 (3)	22 (8)
Day -1	4 (6)	11 (17)	28 (10)
Day 0†	Before‡	5 (8)	9 (14)
	During & After‡	2 (3)	9 (14)
Day +1	2 (3)	1 (2)	18 (6)
Day +2	1 (2)	2 (3)	13 (4)
Day +3	3 (5)	0 (0)	7 (2)
Day +4	1 (2)	2 (3)	11 (4)
Day +5	2 (3)	0 (0)	5 (2)

\* Both Gammagard 5% and Gammagard S/D 5% were used as placebo in this study.

† Day 0 is the day of treatment.

‡ In reference to treatment.

In the controlled study, when only treatment emergent events are considered, 14% of the BabyBIG-treated patients experienced erythematous rash during or after study infusion. Eight percent of placebo-treated patients also experienced erythematous rash in this study. A similar rash is known to occur both in infant botulism patients who have not received any IGIV products<sup>[18]</sup> and in patients treated with other IGIVs,<sup>[2, 3]</sup> making it difficult to ascertain the causality of the rash.

In the controlled study only, the following adverse events occurred in at least 5% of the patients receiving BabyBIG or placebo:

Adverse Event	BabyBIG N=65	Placebo* N=64
	n (%)	
<b>N (%) of Patients with any AE</b>	<b>20 (31)</b>	<b>29 (45)</b>
Rash erythematous	9 (14)	5 (8)
Otitis media	7 (11)	5 (8)
Pneumonia	7 (11)	9 (14)
Anemia	3 (5)	9 (14)
Hyponatremia	3 (5)	9 (14)
Hypertension	1 (2)	3 (5)
Respiratory arrest	1 (2)	6 (9)
Urinary tract infection	1 (2)	8 (13)
Convulsions	0	3 (5)

\* Both Gammagard 5% and Gammagard S/D 5% were used as placebo in this study.

In the open label study only, the following adverse events occurred in at least 5% of the patients:

Adverse Event	BabyBIG N=293 N (%)
<b>Patients with Any AE</b>	<b>285 (97)</b>
Blood pressure increased	221 (75)
Dysphagia	190 (65)
Irritability	121 (41)
Atelectasis	113 (39)
Rhonchi	100 (34)
Pallor	83 (28)
Loose stools	73 (25)
Dermatitis contact	70 (24)
Rash erythematous	64 (22)
Vomiting	58 (20)
Nasal congestion	54 (18)
Edema	54 (18)
Oxygen saturation decreased	51 (17)
Pyrexia	51 (17)
Body temperature decreased	48 (16)
Blood pressure decreased	47 (16)
Cardiac murmur	45 (15)
Cough	39 (13)
Rales	37 (13)
Abdominal distension	33 (11)
Breath sounds decreased	30 (10)
Dehydration	30 (10)
Agitation	29 (10)
Hemoglobin decreased	27 (9)
Stridor	26 (9)
Lower respiratory tract infection	23 (8)
Oral candidiasis	23 (8)
Injection-site reaction	21 (7)
Tachycardia NOS	20 (7)
Peripheral coldness	19 (7)
Dyspnea NOS	16 (6)
Hyponatremia	16 (6)
Injection-site erythema	15 (5)
Intubation NOS	15 (5)
Metabolic acidosis	15 (5)
Neurogenic bladder	15 (5)
Anemia	14 (5)
Tachypnea	14 (5)

Adverse event coding was used in the open label study to distinguish between minor clinical events that required no intervention and more significant events that required intervention. For example, "increased blood pressure" or "decreased blood pressure" was assigned when transient

changes in blood pressure were observed, whereas "hypertension" or "hypotension" was assigned when more prolonged or significant changes were observed.

## 6.2 Postmarketing Experience

*Because postmarketing reporting of adverse reactions is voluntary and from a population of uncertain size, it is not always possible to reliably estimate the frequency of these reactions or establish a causal relationship to product exposure.*

*Experience with BabyBIG.* No adverse reactions have been identified or reported that are ascribed to the use of BabyBIG during postapproval use. Retrospective publications have shown safety-related information consistent with the safety-related information in the approved product labeling, and no new safety-related information has been presented for BabyBIG.<sup>[19, 20]</sup>

*Experience with Other IGIV Products.* Some classes of adverse reactions that have not been reported in BabyBIG clinical studies or postmarketing experience have been observed with the overall post-approval use of other IGIV products, as shown in the following table.

<b><i>Respiratory</i></b>	Apnea, Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS), Transfusion Related Acute Lung Injury (TRALI), cyanosis, hypoxemia, pulmonary edema, dyspnea, bronchospasm
<b><i>Cardiovascular</i></b>	Cardiac arrest, thromboembolism, vascular collapse, hypotension
<b><i>Neurological</i></b>	Coma, loss of consciousness, seizures, tremor
<b><i>Integumentary</i></b>	Steven-Johnson syndrome, epidermolysis, erythema multiforme, bullous dermatitis
<b><i>Hematologic</i></b>	Pancytopenia, leukopenia, hemolysis, positive direct antiglobulin (Coombs') test
<b><i>General / Body as a Whole</i></b>	Pyrexia, rigors
<b><i>Musculoskeletal</i></b>	Back pain
<b><i>Gastrointestinal</i></b>	Hepatic dysfunction, abdominal pain

## 7 DRUG INTERACTIONS

- Admixtures of BabyBIG with other drugs have not been evaluated. It is recommended that BabyBIG be administered separately from other drugs or medications that the patient may be receiving [*see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION (2)*].
- Antibodies present in immune globulin preparations may interfere with the immune response to live virus vaccines such as polio, measles, mumps, and rubella; therefore, vaccination with live virus vaccines such as MMR (measles, mumps, and rubella), MMRV (measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella), and monovalent varicella vaccines should be deferred until six months after administration of BabyBIG. This interval may be shortened if exposure to measles is likely. If such vaccinations were given shortly before or after BabyBIG administration, revaccination may be necessary.<sup>[21]</sup>

## 8 USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

### 8.4 Pediatric Use

BabyBIG has been studied for safety and efficacy only in patients below one year of age [see *ADVERSE REACTIONS (6) and CLINICAL STUDIES (14)*]. It has not been tested in other populations.

## 10 OVERDOSAGE

Although limited data are available, clinical experience with other immunoglobulin preparations suggests that the major manifestations would be those related to volume overload.<sup>[1]</sup>

## 11 DESCRIPTION

BabyBIG, Botulism Immune Globulin Intravenous (Human) (BIG-IV), is a solvent-detergent-treated, sterile, lyophilized powder of immunoglobulin G (IgG), stabilized with 5% sucrose and 1% albumin (human). It contains no preservative. The purified immunoglobulin is derived from pooled adult plasma from persons who were immunized with recombinant botulinum vaccine for serotypes A and B (rBV A/B) and selected for their high titers of neutralizing antibody against botulinum neurotoxins type A and B. All donors were tested and their sera found to be negative for antibodies against the human immunodeficiency virus and the hepatitis B and hepatitis C viruses.

The pooled plasma was fractionated by cold ethanol precipitation of the proteins according to the Cohn/Oncley method, modified to yield a product suitable for intravenous administration.<sup>[22, 23]</sup> Several steps in the manufacturing process have been validated for their ability to inactivate or remove viruses that may not have been detected in the Source Plasma.<sup>[1, 24-27]</sup> These include Cohn/Oncley fractionation (Fraction I through Supernatant III Filtrate); nanofiltration through one 75-nm and two 35-nm filters; and solvent/detergent viral inactivation. These viral reduction steps have been validated in a series of *in vitro* experiments for their capacity to inactivate and/or remove Human Immunodeficiency Virus type 1 (HIV-1) and the following model viruses: bovine viral diarrhea virus (BVDV) as a model for hepatitis C virus; mouse encephalomyelitis virus (MEMV) as a model for hepatitis A virus; and pseudorabies virus (PRV), feline calicivirus (FCV), and Sindbis virus to cover a wide range of physicochemical properties in the model viruses studied. Total mean log<sub>10</sub> reductions range from 4.63 to greater than 16 log<sub>10</sub> as shown in the following table.

Process Step	Mean Reduction Factor (log <sub>10</sub> )					
	Enveloped Viruses (size in nm)				Non-Enveloped Viruses (size in nm)	
	Sindbis (60-70)	HIV-1 (80-100)	PRV (120-200)	BVDV (40-60)	MEMV (22-30)	FCV (35-39)
Cohn/Oncley fractionation	6.6	> 9.44	> 10.37	6.25	4.06	Not done
Nanofiltration	≥ 6.84	Not done	Not done	≥ 5.4	Not done	≥ 6.92
Solvent/detergent treatment	Not done	> 4.51	> 5.53	> 4.85	0.57*	Not done
<b>Cumulative Reduction Factor (log<sub>10</sub>)</b>	≥ 13.44	> 13.95	> 15.9	≥ 16.5	4.63	≥ 6.92

\* Included hydrophobic chromatography after solvent/detergent treatment.

Additional testing performed with bovine parvovirus (as a model for parvovirus B19) showed a mean cumulative reduction factor of greater than 7.34 log<sub>10</sub> for Cohn/Oncley fractionation and solvent/detergent treatment followed by hydrophobic chromatography. A mean cumulative reduction factor of 2.55 log<sub>10</sub> was observed for removal of porcine parvovirus by nanofiltration.

When reconstituted with Sterile Water for Injection USP, each cubic centimeter (milliliter) contains approximately  $50 \pm 10$  mg immunoglobulin, primarily IgG, and trace amounts of IgA and IgM; 50 mg sucrose; 10 mg albumin (human); and approximately  $20 \times 10^{-3}$  mEq sodium. The reconstituted solution should appear colorless and translucent [*see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION (2.1), WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS (5)*].

## 12 CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

BabyBIG contains IgG antibodies from the immunized donors who contributed to the plasma pool from which the product was derived. The titer of antibodies in the reconstituted product against type A botulinum toxin is at least 15 IU/mL and against type B toxin is at least 4.0 IU/mL. For toxin types A and B, by definition, 1 IU of botulinum antitoxin neutralizes 10,000 intraperitoneal mouse LD<sub>50</sub> of botulinum toxin. The titers of antibody against botulinum neurotoxins C, D, and E have not been determined. In the case of infants who may be exposed to botulinum neurotoxin type A or B, this product is expected to provide the relevant antibodies at levels sufficient to neutralize the expected levels of circulating neurotoxin.<sup>[16, 28]</sup>

### 12.1 Mechanism of Action

BabyBIG contains antibodies specific for botulinum neurotoxin types A and B that bind to and neutralize circulating toxin types A and B in the patient.

### 12.2 Pharmacodynamics

Formal studies on pharmacodynamics have not been conducted with BabyBIG.

### 12.3 Pharmacokinetics

Traditional pharmacokinetic studies of BabyBIG have not been performed. However, the following table summarizes the mean serum titer of the anti-A component of BabyBIG following administration.

Time	BabyBIG Lot 1 Anti-A Titer (mean $\pm$ S.D.)	BabyBIG Lot 2 Anti-A Titer (mean $\pm$ S.D.)
	mIU/mL	
Day 1	Not done	537.1 $\pm$ 213.4
Week 2	106.7 $\pm$ 44.6	192.2 $\pm$ 71.2
Week 4	90.0 $\pm$ 39.2	155.5 $\pm$ 56.7
Week 8	54.9 $\pm$ 22.8	96.0 $\pm$ 33.2
Week 12	26.0 $\pm$ 20.5	61.4 $\pm$ 32.3
Week 16	15.6 $\pm$ 10.4	33.0 $\pm$ 22.3
Week 20	7.6 $\pm$ 6.6	19.3 $\pm$ 14.1

NOTE: 1 IU of anti-type A or anti-type B antibody neutralizes, by definition,  $10^4$  mouse LD<sub>50</sub> of botulinum toxin.

The half-life of injected BabyBIG has been shown to be approximately 28 days in infants,<sup>[16]</sup> which is in agreement with existing data for other immunoglobulin preparations.<sup>[2, 16]</sup>

## 14 CLINICAL STUDIES

Two clinical studies in infant botulism were performed:<sup>[16]</sup> (1) an adequate and well-controlled study to evaluate the safety and efficacy of BabyBIG (N=129), and (2) an open label study to collect additional safety data and confirm efficacy (N=293). In the adequate and well-controlled clinical study, BabyBIG, given within the first 3 days of hospital admission to 59 patients with laboratory-confirmed infant botulism, has been shown to reduce the following:

	Average Length in Weeks		p-value
	Placebo * N=63	BabyBIG N=59	
<b>Hospital stay</b>	5.7	2.6	p<0.0001
<b>Intensive Care Unit stay</b>	3.6	1.3	p<0.01
<b>Mechanical ventilation</b>	2.4	0.7	p<0.05
<b>Tube-feeding</b>	10.0	3.6	p<0.01

\* Both Gammagard 5% and Gammagard S/D 5% were used as placebo in this study.

Length of hospital stay was also analyzed by patient age in both the adequate and well-controlled study and in an open label study.

Age (days)	Mean Length of Hospital Stay in Weeks		
	Placebo * N=63	BabyBIG (RCT) N=59	BabyBIG (OLS) N=206
<b>0-60</b>	3.8 (N=10)	2.8 (N=10)	2.0 (N=46)
<b>61-120</b>	5.6 (N=29)	1.9 (N=17)	2.0 (N=68)
<b>&gt;120</b>	6.6 (N=24)	3.0 (N=32)	1.8 (N=92)

RCT = randomized clinical trial

OLS = open label study

\* Both Gammagard 5% and Gammagard S/D 5% were used as placebo in this study.

The observed reduction in length of hospital stay was statistically significant (p<0.01) with the exception of the 0 to 60-day age stratum, where small patient numbers limited the statistical power.

Length of hospital stay was analyzed in the adequate and well-controlled study by race (white versus non-white):

Race	Mean Length of Hospital Stay in Weeks	
	Placebo * N=40	BabyBIG (RCT) N=35
<b>White</b>	6.3 (N=40)	2.8 (N=35)
<b>Non-white</b>	4.6 (N=23)	2.4 (N=24)

\* Both Gammagard 5% and Gammagard S/D 5% were used as placebo in this study.

Length of hospital stay was significantly reduced in both white and non-white patients (p=0.002).

BabyBIG has not been tested for safety and efficacy in adults.

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## 16 HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING

- NDC 68403-1100-6, 100 mg ± 20 mg lyophilized immunoglobulin single-dose vial individually packaged in a carton.
- Store the vial containing the lyophilized product between 2° and 8°C (35.6° to 46.4°F). Do not store BabyBIG in the reconstituted state.
- Use reconstituted BabyBIG within 2 hours.
- Do not use beyond expiration date, and dispose unused product in accordance with local requirements.

## 17 PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION

- Discuss the risks and benefits of BabyBIG use with the patient's legal guardians, including the possibility of adverse reactions, e.g., hypersensitivity reactions such as anaphylaxis, as well as aseptic meningitis, TRALI, hemolysis, renal failure, and thrombosis [*see WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS (5)*].
- Inform patient's legal guardians that BabyBIG is made from human plasma and may contain infectious agents that can cause disease. While the risk of transmitting an infection has been reduced by screening plasma donors for prior exposure, testing donated plasma, and inactivating or removing certain viruses during manufacturing, the patient's guardian should report any symptoms that concern them [*see WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS (5.3)*].
- Inform patient's legal guardians that BabyBIG may interfere with immune response to live viral vaccines (e.g., MMR) and instruct them to notify the healthcare provider of this potential interaction when the patient is to receive vaccinations [*see DRUG INTERACTIONS (7)*].

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