



Radiopharmaceutical agents should be used only by physicians who are qualified by training and experience in the safe use and handling of radionuclides and whose experience and training have been approved by the appropriate government agency authorized to license the use of radionuclides.

QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup>, like other radioactive drugs, must be handled with care, and appropriate safety measures must be taken to minimize radiation exposure of clinical personnel and others in the patient environment.

Special precautions, such as bladder catheterization, should be taken with incontinent patients to minimize the risk of radioactive contamination of clothing, bed linen, and the patient's environment. Urinary excretion of radioactivity occurs over about 12 hours (with 35% occurring during the first 6 hours). Studies have not been done on the use of QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> in patients with renal impairment.

**INFORMATION FOR PATIENTS** Patients who receive QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> should be advised that for several hours following administration, radioactivity will be present in excreted urine. To help protect themselves and others in their environment, precautions need to be taken for 12 hours following administration. Whenever possible, a toilet should be used, rather than a urinal, and the toilet should be flushed several times after each use. Spilled urine should be cleaned up completely and patients should wash their hands thoroughly. If blood or urine gets onto clothing, the clothing should be washed separately, or stored for 1-2 weeks to allow for decay of the Sm-153.

Some patients have reported a transient increase in bone pain shortly after injection (flare reaction). This is usually mild and self-limiting and occurs within 72 hours of injection. Such reactions are usually responsive to analgesics.

Patients who respond to QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> might begin to notice the onset of pain relief one week after QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup>. Maximal pain relief generally occurs at 3-4 weeks after injection of QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup>. Patients who experience a reduction in pain may be encouraged to decrease their use of opioid analgesics.

**LABORATORY TESTS** Because of the potential for bone marrow suppression, beginning 2 weeks after QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> administration, blood counts should be monitored weekly for at least 8 weeks, or until recovery of adequate bone marrow function.

In a subset of 31 patients who had serum calcium monitored during the first 2 hours after QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> infusion, a clear pattern of calcium change was not identified. However, 10 (32%) patients had at least one serum calcium level that was below normal (7.16 to 8.28). The extent to which samarium-153-EDTMP is related to this hypocalcemia is not known. Caution should be exercised when administering QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> to patients at risk for developing hypocalcemia

**DRUG INTERACTIONS** The potential for additive bone marrow toxicity of QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> with chemotherapy or external beam radiation has not been studied. QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> should not be given concurrently with chemotherapy or external beam radiation therapy unless the benefit outweighs the risks. QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> should not be given after either of these treatments until there has been time for adequate marrow recovery. (See Warnings Section).

**CARCINOGENESIS, MUTAGENESIS, IMPAIRMENT OF FERTILITY** Carcinogenesis in humans given EDTMP, in QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup>, is not likely. Osteosarcomas occurred in a 2-year toxicity/carcinogenicity study of EDTMP administered by gastric intubation to Sprague-Dawley rats, in male rats at 50 mg/kg/day and in male and female rats at 150 mg/kg/day (the dosage was increased to 333 mg/kg/day on day 329 of treatment). Osteosarcomas were not reported in a published chronic dietary study of up to 130 weeks of EDTMP in Fisher 344 rats, at dietary doses up to 100 mg/kg/day (not the maximum tolerated dose). However, at study termination in female Fisher 344 rats, this dose was associated with statistically significantly higher rate of pancreatic islet-cell adenomas and carcinomas.

The results of the following genotoxicity assays with non-radioactive samarium-EDTMP were negative: Salmonella reverse mutation (AMES) assay, unscheduled DNA synthesis in rat liver primary cell culture, chromosomal aberration assay in rat lymphocytes, CHO/HGPRT forward mutation assay, and mouse bone marrow micronucleus test.

Studies have not been performed to assess the effect of QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> on fertility.

**PREGNANCY** See Warnings Section.

**NURSING MOTHERS** It is not known whether QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> is excreted in human milk. Because of the potential for serious adverse reactions in nursing infants from QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup>, a decision should be made whether to continue nursing or to administer the drug. If QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> is administered, formula feedings should be substituted for breast feedings.

**PEDIATRIC USE** Safety and effectiveness in pediatric patients below the age of 16 years have not been established.

#### ADVERSE EVENTS

Adverse events were evaluated in a total of 580 patients who received QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> in clinical trials. Of the 580 patients, there were 472 men and 108 women with a mean age of 66 (range 20 to 87).

Of these patients, 472 (81%) had at least one adverse event. In a subgroup of 399 patients who received QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> 1.0 mCi/kg, there were 23 deaths and 46 serious adverse events. The deaths occurred an average of 67 days (9 to 130) after QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup>. Serious events occurred an average of 46 days (1 - 118) after QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup>. Although most of the patient deaths and serious adverse events appear to be related to the underlying disease, the relationship of end stage disease, marrow invasion by cancer cells, previous myelotoxic treatment and QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> toxicity can not be easily distinguished. In clinical studies, two patients with rapidly progressive prostate cancer developed thrombocytopenia and died 4 weeks after receiving QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup>. One of the patients showed evidence of disseminated intravascular coagulation (DIC); the other patient experienced a fatal cerebrovascular accident, with a suspicion of DIC. The relationship of the DIC to the bone marrow suppressive effect of Samarium is not known. Marrow toxicity occurred in 277 (48%) patients (See Warnings section).

In controlled studies, 7% of patients receiving 1.0 mCi/kg QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> (as compared to 6% of patients receiving placebo) reported a transient increase in bone pain shortly after injection (flare reaction). This was usually mild, self-limiting, and responded to analgesics.

The most common adverse events observed in controlled clinical studies of QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup>, are given in Table 6.

**TABLE 6**

#### SELECTED ADVERSE EVENTS REPORTED IN ≥ 1.0 % OF PEOPLE WHO RECEIVED QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> OR PLACEBO IN CONTROLLED CLINICAL TRIALS

ADVERSE EVENT	Placebo N=90	QUADRAMET <sup>®</sup> 1.0 mCi/kg N=199
# Patients with Any Adverse Event	72 (80%)	169 (85%)
<b>Body As A Whole</b>	56 (62%)	100 (50%)
Pain Flare Reaction	5 (5.6%)	14 (7.0%)
<b>Cardiovascular</b>	19 (21%)	32 (16%)
Arrhythmias	2 (2.2%)	10 (5.0%)
Chest Pain	4 (4.4%)	8 (4.0%)
Hypertension	0	6 (3.0%)
Hypotension	2 (2.2%)	4 (2.0%)
<b>Digestive</b>	44 (49%)	82 (41%)
Abdominal Pain	7 (7.8%)	12 (6.0%)
Diarrhea	3 (3.3%)	12 (6.0%)
Nausea &/or Vomiting	37 (41.1%)	65 (32.7%)
<b>Hematologic &amp; Lymphatic</b>	12 (13%)	54 (27%)
Coagulation Disorder	0	3 (1.5%)
Hemoglobin Decreased	21 (23.3%)	81 (40.7%)
Leukopenia	6 (6.7%)	118 (59.3%)
Lymphadenopathy	0	4 (2.0%)
Thrombocytopenia	8 (8.9%)	138 (69.3%)
<b>Any Bleeding Manifestations*</b>	8 (8.9%)	32 (16.1%)
Echymosis	1 (1.1%)	3 (3.0%)
Epistaxis	1 (1.1%)	4 (2.0%)
Hematuria	3 (3.3%)	10 (5%)
<b>Infection</b>	10 (11.1%)	34 (17.1%)
Fever and/or Chills	10 (11.1%)	17 (8.5%)
Infection, Not Specified	4 (4.4%)	14 (7.0%)
Oral Moniliasis	1 (1.1%)	4 (2.0%)
Pneumonia	1 (1.1%)	3 (1.5%)
<b>Musculoskeletal</b>	28 (31%)	55 (27%)
Myasthenia	8 (8.9%)	13 (6.5%)
Pathologic Fracture	2 (2.2%)	5 (2.5%)
<b>Nervous</b>	39 (43%)	59 (30%)
Dizziness	1 (1.1%)	8 (4.0%)
Paresthesia	7 (7.8%)	4 (2.0%)
Spinal Cord Compression	5 (5.5%)	13 (6.5%)
Cerebrovascular Accident/Stroke	0	2 (1.0%)
<b>Respiratory</b>	24 (27%)	35 (18%)
Bronchitis/Cough Increased	2 (2.2%)	8 (4.0%)
<b>Special Senses</b>	11 (12%)	11 (6%)
<b>Skin &amp; Appendages</b>	17 (19%)	13 (7%)
Purpura	0	2 (1%)
Rash	2 (2.2%)	2 (1%)

\*Includes hemorrhage (gastrointestinal, ocular) reported in <1%.

In an additional 200 patients who received QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> in uncontrolled clinical trials, adverse events that were reported at a rate of greater than or equal to 1.0% were similar except for 9 (4.5%) patients who had agranulocytosis. Other selected adverse events that were reported in <1% of the patients who received QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> 1.0 mCi/kg in any clinical trial include: alopecia, angina, congestive heart failure, sinus bradycardia, and vasodilation.

**OVERDOSAGE:** Overdosage with QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> has not been reported. An antidote for QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> overdosage is not known. The anticipated complications of overdosage would likely be secondary to bone marrow suppression from the radioactivity of <sup>153</sup>Sm, or secondary to hypocalcemia and cardiac arrhythmias related to the EDTMP.

**DOSE AND ADMINISTRATION:** The recommended dose of QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> is 1.0 mCi/kg, administered intravenously over a period of one minute through a secure in-dwelling catheter and followed with a saline flush. Dose adjustment in patients at the extremes of weight have not been studied. Caution should be exercised when determining the dose in very thin or very obese patients.

The dose should be measured by a suitable radioactivity calibration system, such as a radioisotope dose calibrator, immediately before administration.

The dose of radioactivity to be administered and the patient should be verified before administering QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup>. Patients should not be released until their radioactivity levels and exposure rates comply with federal and local regulations.

The patient should ingest (or receive by i.v. administration) a minimum of 500 mL (2 cups) of fluids prior to injection and should void as often as possible after injection to minimize radiation exposure to the bladder.

Parenteral drug products should be inspected visually for particulate matter and discoloration prior to administration whenever solution and container permit. The solution should not be used if it is cloudy or if it contains particulate matter.

QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> contains calcium and may be incompatible with solutions that contain molecules that can complex with and form calcium precipitates.

QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> should not be diluted or mixed with other solutions.

Thaw at room temperature before administration and use within 8 hours of thawing.

**Radiation Dosimetry:** The estimated absorbed radiation doses to an average 70 kg adult patient from an i.v. injection of QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> are shown in Table 7. The dosimetry estimates were based on clinical biodistribution studies using methods developed for radiation dose calculations by the Medical Internal Radiation Dose (MIRD) Committee of the Society of Nuclear Medicine.

Radiation exposure is based on a urinary voiding interval of 4.8 hours. Radiation dose estimates for bone and marrow assume that radioactivity is deposited on bone surfaces, as noted in autoradiograms of biopsy bone samples in 7 patients who received QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup>. Although electron emissions from <sup>153</sup>Sm are abundant, with energies up to 810 keV, rapid blood clearance of QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> and low energy and abundant photon emissions generally result in low radiation doses to those parts of the body where the complex does not localize.

When blastic osseous lesions are present, significantly enhanced localization of the radiopharmaceutical will occur, with correspondingly higher doses to the lesions compared with normal bones and other organs. (See Clinical Pharmacology, Skeletal Uptake and Pharmacodynamics Sections).

**TABLE 7**

RADIATION ABSORBED DOSES		
70 kg ADULT		
Target Organ	Rad/mCi	mGy/MBq
Bone Surfaces	25.0	6.76
Red Marrow	5.70	1.54
Urinary Bladder Wall	3.60	0.097
Kidneys	0.065	0.018
Whole Body	0.040	0.011
Lower large intestine	0.037	0.010
Ovaries	0.032	0.0086
Muscle	0.028	0.0076
Small Intestine	0.023	0.0062
Upper Large Intestine	0.020	0.0054
Testes	0.020	0.0054
Liver	0.019	0.0051
Spleen	0.018	0.0049
Stomach	0.015	0.0041

#### HOW SUPPLIED

QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> is supplied frozen in a single-dose 10 mL glass vial containing 1850 ± 185 MBq/mL (50 ± 5 mCi/mL) of samarium-153, at calibration.

QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> is available in the following size:

NDC# 11994-016-01 3mL fill size with total activity of 5550 MBq (150mCi).

The vial is shipped in a lead shield; a package insert is included.

The drug product expires 56 hours after the time of calibration noted on the label, or 8 hours after thawing, whichever is earlier.

**STORAGE:** Store frozen at -10° to -20°C (14° to -4°F) in a lead shielded container.

Storage and disposal of QUADRAMET<sup>®</sup> should be controlled in a manner that complies with the appropriate regulations of the government agency authorized to license the use of this radionuclide.

This radioactive drug is approved for distribution to persons licensed pursuant to the Code of Massachusetts Regulations 105 CMR 120.100 for the uses listed in 105 CMR 120.589 or under equivalent regulations of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, an Agreement State or a Licensing State.

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