



**HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION**  
These highlights do not include all the information needed to use LARRETOIDE INJECTION safely and effectively. See full prescribing information for LARRETOIDE INJECTION.

**LARRETOIDE INJECTION, for subcutaneous use**  
Initial U.S. Approval: 2007

**INDICATIONS AND USAGE**  
LARRETOIDE injection is a somatostatin analog indicated for:

- the long-term treatment of acromegaly patients who have had an inadequate response to or cannot be treated with surgery and/or radiotherapy (1, 1)
- the treatment of adult patients with unresectable, well- or moderately-differentiated, locally advanced or metastatic gastroenteropancreatic neuroendocrine tumors (GEP-NETs) to improve progression-free survival (1, 2)

**ADVERSE REACTIONS**

- For deep subcutaneous injection only:
  - Intended for administration by a healthcare provider.
  - Administer in the superior external quadrant of the buttock.
- Adverse reaction rates:
  - Acromegaly: 90 mg every 4 weeks for 3 months. Adjust thereafter based on GH and/or IGF-1 levels. See full prescribing information for titration regimen.
  - GEP-NETs: 120 mg every 4 weeks.

**DRUG INTERACTIONS**

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**1. INDICATIONS AND USAGE**

**1.1 Acromegaly**  
LARRETOIDE injection is indicated for the long-term treatment of acromegaly patients who have had an inadequate response to surgery and/or radiotherapy, or for whom surgery and/or radiotherapy is not an option.

The goal of treatment in acromegaly is to reduce growth hormone (GH) and insulin growth factor-1 (IGF-1) levels to normal.

**1.2 Gastroenteropancreatic Neuroendocrine Tumors**

LARRETOIDE injection is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with unresectable, well- or moderately-differentiated, locally advanced or metastatic gastroenteropancreatic neuroendocrine tumors (GEP-NETs) to improve progression-free survival.

**2. DOSE AND ADMINISTRATION**

**2.1 Important Administration Instructions**

- For deep subcutaneous injection only.
- LARRETOIDE injection is intended for administration by a healthcare provider.
- Refer to the Instructions For Use (IFU) for complete administration instructions with illustrations.

**2.2 Recommended Dosage**

The recommended starting dosage of LARRETOIDE injection is 90 mg given via the deep subcutaneous route, at 4-week intervals for 3 months.

After 3 months, the dosage may be adjusted as follows:

- GH greater than 1 ng/mL to less than or equal to 2.5 ng/mL, IGF-1 normal, and clinical symptoms controlled: maintain LARRETOIDE injection dosage of 90 mg every 4 weeks.
- GH greater than 2.5 ng/mL, IGF-1 elevated, and/or clinical symptoms uncontrolled: increase LARRETOIDE injection dosage to 120 mg every 4 weeks.
- GH less than or equal to 1 ng/mL, IGF-1 normal, and/or clinical symptoms controlled: reduce LARRETOIDE injection dosage to 60 mg every 4 weeks.

Thereafter, the dosage should be adjusted according to the response of the patient as judged by a reduction in serum GH and/or IGF-1 levels, and/or changes in symptoms of acromegaly.

Patients who are controlled on LARRETOIDE injection 60 mg or 90 mg may be considered for an extended dosing interval of LARRETOIDE injection 120 mg every 6 or 8 weeks. GH and IGF-1 levels should be obtained 6 weeks after this change in dosing regimen to evaluate persistence of patient response.

Continued monitoring of patient response to dosage adjustments for biochemical and clinical symptom control, as necessary, is recommended.

**2.3 Dosage Adjustment in Renal Impairment**

The recommended starting dosage of LARRETOIDE injection in acromegaly patients with moderate or severe renal impairment (creatinine clearance less than 60 mL/min or 60 mg via the deep subcutaneous route at 4-week intervals) is the same as that of patients with normal renal function.

**2.4 Dosage Adjustment in Hepatic Impairment**

The recommended starting dosage of LARRETOIDE injection in acromegaly patients with moderate or severe hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh Class B or C) is 60 mg via the deep subcutaneous route at 4-week intervals for 3 months followed by dosage adjustment (see Dosage and Administration (2.2, 2.4) in Specific Populations (6.1)).

**3. DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS**

LARRETOIDE injection 60 mg/0.2 mL, 90 mg/0.3 mL, and 120 mg/0.5 mL sterile, single-dose, prefilled syringes filled with an automatic needle guard. The prefilled syringes contain a white, pale yellow, lyophilized, semi-solid formulation.

**4. CONTRAINDICATIONS**

LARRETOIDE injection is contraindicated in patients with history of a hypersensitivity to lanreotide. Allergic reactions (including anaphylaxis and anaphylactoid) have been reported following administration of lanreotide (see Adverse Reactions (6.1)).

**5. WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS**

**5.1 Cholelithiasis and Complications of Cholelithiasis**

LARRETOIDE injection may reduce gallbladder motility and lead to gallstone formation; therefore, patients may need to be monitored periodically (see Adverse Reactions (6.1), Clinical Pharmacology (12.2)). There are been postmarketing reports of cholelithiasis (gallstones) resulting in complications, including cholecystitis, cholangitis, and pancreatitis, and requiring cholecystectomy in patients taking LARRETOIDE injection. If complications of cholelithiasis are suspected, discontinue LARRETOIDE injection and treat appropriately.

**5.2 Hypoglycemia and Hypoglycemia**

Pharmacological studies in animals and humans show that lanreotide, like somatostatin and other somatostatin analogs, inhibits the secretion of insulin and glucagon. Hence, patients treated with LARRETOIDE injection may experience hypoglycemia or hypoglycemia.

**5.3 Cardiovascular Abnormalities**

The most common overall cardiac adverse reactions observed in three pooled LARRETOIDE injection cardiac studies in patients with acromegaly were sinus bradycardia (12/17, 55%), bradycardia (8/17, 29%), and hypertension (12/17, 53%) (see Adverse Reactions (6.1)).

In 61 patients with baseline heart rate of 60 beats per minute (bpm) or greater treated with LARRETOIDE injection 3 mg, the incidence of heart rate less than 60 bpm was 23% (19/81) as compared to 16% (15/94) of placebo-treated patients. In 10 patients (12%) had documented heart rates less than 60 bpm on more than one visit. The incidence of documented episodes of heart rate less than 60 bpm was 50% as the incidence of bradycardia reported. An adverse event was 1% in each treatment group.

**WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS**

**5.4 Thyroid Function Abnormalities**

Decreases in heart rate may occur. Use with caution in at-risk patients (6, 3).

**ADVERSE REACTIONS**

Most common adverse reactions are:

- Acromegaly (>5%): diarrhea, cholelithiasis, abdominal pain, nausea and injection site reactions. (6, 1)
- GEP-NET (>10%): abdominal pain, musculoskeletal pain, vomiting, headache, injection site reaction, hypoglycemia, hypertension, and cholelithiasis. (6, 1)

To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact Cepha Ltd. at 1-866-604-3288 or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or www.fda.gov/medwatch.

**DRUG INTERACTIONS**

- Cytosine: Lanreotide injection may decrease the absorption of cytosine. Dosage adjustment of cytosine may be needed. (7, 2)
- Bromocriptine: Lanreotide injection may increase the absorption of bromocriptine. (7, 3)
- Hypertension: Lanreotide injection may decrease heart rate. Dosage adjustment of the concomitantly drug may be necessary. (7, 3)

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See full prescribing information for LARRETOIDE injection.

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**Table 2: Adverse Reactions in LARRETOIDE ACETATE-Treated Patients at an Incidence Greater than 5% in Overall Group Versus Adverse Reactions Reported in Studies 1 and 2**

System Organ Class	Number and Percentage of Patients		Overall Pooled Data	
	Studies 1 & 2 (N=170)	%	(N=416)	%
<b>Patients with any Adverse Reactions</b>	157	92	356	86
<b>Gastrointestinal disorders</b>	121	71	235	57
Diarrhea	81	48	155	37
Abdominal pain	34	20	79	19
Nausea	15	9	46	11
Constipation	9	5	33	8
Flatulence	12	7	30	7
Vomiting	8	5	28	7
Loose stools	16	9	23	6
<b>Hepatology disorders</b>	33	21	99	24
Cholelithiasis	27	16	57	14
<b>General disorders and administration site conditions</b>	51	30	91	22
Injection site pain (mass)	28	17	37	9
Musculoskeletal pain (muscle/joint/pruritus)	17	10	30	7
<b>Musculoskeletal and connective tissue disorders</b>	44	26	70	17
Arthralgia	17	10	30	7
<b>Nervous system disorders</b>	34	20	80	19
Headache	9	5	33	8

Dictionary = MedDRA 7.1

In addition to the adverse reactions listed in Table 2, the following reactions were also seen:

- Sinus bradycardia occurred in 7% (12/17) of patients in the pooled Study 1 and 2 and in 3% (13/416) of patients in the overall pooled study.
- Hypertension occurred in 5% (8/17) of patients in the pooled Study 1 and 2 and in 5% (20/416) of patients in the overall pooled study.
- Anemia occurred in 7% (12/17) of patients in the pooled Study 1 and 2 and in 3% (14/416) of patients in the overall pooled study.

**Gastrointestinal Adverse Reactions**

In the pooled clinical studies of LARRETOIDE injection therapy, a variety of gastrointestinal (GI) reactions occurred, the majority of which were mild to moderate in severity. One percent of acromegaly patients treated with LARRETOIDE injection in the pooled clinical studies discontinued treatment because of gastrointestinal reactions.

Constipation was reported in less than 1% of patients.

**Diarrhea/Adverse Reactions**

In clinical studies involving 416 acromegaly patients treated with LARRETOIDE injection, cholelithiasis and other GI disorders were reported in 20% of the patients. Among 167 acromegaly patients treated with LARRETOIDE injection who underwent routine evaluation with gallbladder ultrasonography, 17% had gallstones at baseline. No upper GI disorders were reported in 12% of patients. Cholelithiasis may be related to dose and/or coadministration (see Warnings and Precautions (5.1)).

**Injection Site Reactions**

In the pooled clinical studies, injection site pain (4%) and injection site mass (2%) were the most frequently reported local adverse drug reactions that occurred with the administration of LARRETOIDE injection. In a specific analysis, 20 of 413 patients (5%) experienced injection site reactions. Injection site adverse reactions were more commonly reported after the start of treatment and were less commonly reported as treatment continued. Such adverse reactions were usually mild or moderate but did lead to withdrawal from clinical studies in two subjects.

**Glucose Metabolism Adverse Reactions**

In the clinical studies in acromegaly patients treated with LARRETOIDE injection, adverse reactions of hypoglycemia (hypoglycemia, hypoglycemia, diabetes) were reported by 14% (47/332) of patients and were considered related to study drug in 7% (24/325) of patients (see Warnings and Precautions (5.2)).

**Cardiovascular Adverse Reactions**

In the pooled clinical studies, sinus bradycardia (3%) was the most frequently observed heart rate and rhythm disorder. All other cardiac adverse drug reactions were observed in less than 1% of patients. The relationship of these events to LARRETOIDE injection could not be established because many of these patients had underlying cardiac disease (see Warnings and Precautions (5.3)).

A comparative echocardiography study of lanreotide and another somatostatin analog demonstrated no difference in the development of new or worsening valvular regurgitation between the 2 treatments over 1 year. The occurrence of clinically significant mitral regurgitation (i.e., moderate or severe) in patients was not statistically significant (see Warnings and Precautions (5.3)).

**Other Adverse Reactions**

For the most commonly occurring adverse reactions in the pooled analysis, diarrhea, abdominal pain, and constipation, there was no dose-response for increased incidence with age. GI disorders and renal and urinary disorders were more common in patients with documented hepatic impairment; however, the incidence of cholelithiasis was similar between groups.

**Gastroenteropancreatic Neuroendocrine Tumors**

The safety of LARRETOIDE injection 120 mg for the treatment of patients with gastroenteropancreatic neuroendocrine tumors (GEP-NETs) was evaluated in Study 3 (a double-blind, placebo-controlled trial). Patients in Study 3 were randomized to receive LARRETOIDE injection (N=101) or placebo (N=103) administered by deep subcutaneous injection every 4 weeks. The data below reflect exposure to LARRETOIDE injection in 101 patients with GEP-NETs. Including 61 patients exposed for at least 6 months and 72 patients exposed for at least 1 year (median duration of exposure 22 months). Patients treated with LARRETOIDE injection had a median age of 64 years (range 30 to 83 years), 52% were men and 48% were women. Caucasian ethnicity was present in all patients (83/101) in the LARRETOIDE injection arm and 82% of patients (82/103) in the placebo arm. All patients had disease progression within 6 months of enrollment and had not received prior therapy for GEP-NETs. The rates of discontinuation due to adverse reactions were similar between patients in the LARRETOIDE injection arm and 3% (3/103) patients in the placebo arm.

Table 3 compares the adverse reactions reported with an incidence of 5% and greater in patients receiving LARRETOIDE injection 120 mg administered every 4 weeks and reported more commonly than placebo.

**Table 3: Adverse Reactions Occurring in 5% or Greater of LARRETOIDE ACETATE-Treated Patients and at a Higher Rate than in Placebo-Treated Patients in Study 3**

Adverse Reaction	LARRETOIDE ACETATE 120 mg (N=101)		Placebo (N=103)		%
	Any (%)	Severe <sup>1</sup> (%)	Any (%)	Severe <sup>1</sup> (%)	
<b>Any Adverse Reactions</b>	88	28	90	31	11
Abdominal pain <sup>2</sup>	34 <sup>3</sup>	6 <sup>4</sup>	24 <sup>4</sup>	4	
Musculoskeletal pain <sup>2</sup>	19 <sup>3</sup>	2 <sup>4</sup>	13	2	
Vomiting <sup>1</sup>	19 <sup>3</sup>	2 <sup>4</sup>	9 <sup>4</sup>	2 <sup>4</sup>	
Headache	16	0	11	1	
Injection site reaction <sup>2</sup>	15	0	7	0	
Hypoglycemia <sup>5</sup>	14	0	5	0	
Hypertension <sup>6</sup>	14 <sup>3</sup>	1 <sup>4</sup>	5	0	
Cholelithiasis <sup>7</sup>	14 <sup>3</sup>	1 <sup>4</sup>	7	0	
Dizziness	9	0	2 <sup>4</sup>	0	
Dyspepsia <sup>8</sup>	7	0	1	0	
Diarrhea	6	0	1	0	

<sup>1</sup> Includes preferred terms of abdominal pain, abdominal pain upper/lower, abdominal discomfort, and constipation.

<sup>2</sup> Includes preferred terms of myalgia, musculoskeletal disorder, musculoskeletal pain, back pain

<sup>3</sup> Includes preferred terms of infusion site extravasation, injection site discomfort, injection site granuloma, injection site hematoma, injection site hemorrhage, injection site induration, injection site mass, injection site nodule, injection site pain, injection site pruritus, injection site rash, injection site reaction, injection site swelling

<sup>4</sup> Includes preferred terms of diabetes mellitus, glucose tolerance impaired, hypoglycemia, type 2 diabetes mellitus

<sup>5</sup> Includes preferred terms of hypotension, hyperventilation crisis

<sup>6</sup> Includes one or more serious adverse hypertension events (SAEs) defined as any event that results in death, is life threatening, results in hospitalization or prolongation of hospitalization, results in persistent or significant disability, results in congenital anomaly/pronatal death, or may jeopardize the patient and fetus require medical or surgical intervention to prevent one of the outcomes listed.

<sup>7</sup> Defined as hazardous to well-being, significant impairment of function or incapacitation

**6.2 Immunogenicity**

LARRETOIDE injection is potential for immunogenicity. The detection of antibody formation is highly dependent on the sensitivity and specificity of the assay. Additionally, the observed incidence of antibody (including neutralizing antibody) positivity in an assay may be influenced by several factors including assay methodology, sample handling, timing of sample collection, concomitant medications, and underlying disease. For these reasons, comparison of the incidence of antibodies to lanreotide in the studies described below with the incidence of antibodies in other studies or to other products may be misleading.

LARRETOIDE injection in acromegaly patients treated with LARRETOIDE injection in clinical studies show that the percentage of patients with putative antibodies at any time point after treatment is low (less than 1% to 4% of patients in specific studies whose antibodies were tested). The antibodies did not appear to affect the efficacy or safety of LARRETOIDE injection.

In Study 3, development of anti-lanreotide antibodies was assessed using a radioimmunoassay (RIA) with GEP-NETs receptor LARRETOIDE injection. The incidence of anti-lanreotide antibodies was 4% (7 of 82) at 24 weeks, 10% (7 of 67) at 48 weeks, 11% (6 of 57) at 72 weeks, and 10% (8 of 64) at 96 weeks. Assessment for neutralizing antibodies was not conducted.

**6.3 Postmarketing Experience**

The following adverse reactions have been identified during post-approval use of LARRETOIDE injection. 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 drug exposure.

**Hypoglycemia:** Stomatitis, cholelithiasis, cholangitis, pancreatitis, which has sometimes required cholecystectomy.

**Hypersensitivity:** anaphylaxis and anaphylactoid reactions; injection site reactions; injection site abscess

**7. DRUG INTERACTIONS**

**7.1 Insulin and Oral Hypoglycemic Drugs**  
LARRETOIDE, like somatostatin and other somatostatin analogs, inhibits the secretion of insulin and glucagon. Therefore, blood glucose levels should be monitored when LARRETOIDE injection is initiated or when the dose is altered, and antidiabetic treatment should be adjusted accordingly (see Warnings and Precautions (5.2)).

**7.2 Cytosine**

Concomitant administration of cytosine with LARRETOIDE injection may decrease the absorption of cytosine, and therefore, may necessitate adjustment of cytosine dose to maintain therapeutic drug concentrations. (see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3))

**7.3 Bromocriptine**

Limited published data indicate that concomitant administration of a somatostatin analog and bromocriptine may increase the absorption of bromocriptine (see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)).

**7.4 Bradycardia-Inducing Drugs**

Concomitant administration of bradycardia-inducing drugs (e.g., beta-blockers) may have an additive effect on the reduction of heart rate associated with lanreotide. Dosage adjustments of concomitant drugs may be necessary.

**7.5 Drug Metabolism Interactions**

The limited published data available indicate that somatostatin analogs may decrease the metabolic clearance of compounds known to be metabolized by cytochrome P450 enzymes, which may be due to the suppression of growth hormone. Since it cannot be excluded that LARRETOIDE injection may have this effect, avoid other drugs mainly metabolized by CYP3A4 and which have a low therapeutic index (e.g., quinidine, lisdexamfetamine). Drugs metabolized by the liver may be metabolized more slowly during LARRETOIDE injection treatment and dose reductions of the concomitantly administered medications should be considered (see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)).

**8. USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS**

**8.1 Pregnancy**

**Risk Summary**  
Limited available data based on postmarketing case reports with LARRETOIDE injection use in pregnant women are not sufficient to determine a drug-associated risk of adverse developmental outcomes.

There are no human therapeutic exposures of the maximum recommended dose of 120 mg, based on comparisons of relative body surface area, shows decreased fetal survival and increased fetal skeletal/soft tissue abnormalities.

The estimated background risk of major birth defects and miscarriage for the indicated populations is unknown. All pregnancies have a background risk of birth defect, loss, or other adverse outcomes. In the U.S. general population, the estimated background risk of major birth defects and miscarriage in clinically recognized pregnancies is 2% to 4% and 15% to 20%, respectively.

**8.2 Lactation**

**Risk Summary**  
There is no information available on the presence of lanreotide in human milk, the effects of the drug on the breastfed infant, or the effects of the drug on milk production. Studies show that lanreotide does not significantly alter lactation physiology. Data may not fully predict drug levels in human milk. Because of the potential for serious adverse reactions in breastfed infants from LARRETOIDE injection, including effects on glucose metabolism and bradycardia, advise women not to breastfeed during treatment with LARRETOIDE injection and for 6 months after having received the last dose.

**8.3 Females and Males of Reproductive Potential**

**Fertility**  
Safety results from animal studies conducted in female rats. LARRETOIDE injection may reduce fertility in females of reproductive potential (see Nonclinical Toxicology (13.1)).

**8.4 Pediatric Use**

The safety and effectiveness of LARRETOIDE injection in pediatric patients have not been established.

**8.5 Geriatric Use**

No overall differences in safety or effectiveness were observed between elderly patients with acromegaly compared with younger patients; and/or reported clinical experience has not identified differences in responses between the elderly and younger patients, but greater sensitivity of older patients to adverse effects cannot be ruled out. Studies 1 and 2 conducted in patients with neuroendocrine tumors did not include sufficient numbers of patients aged 65 and over to determine whether they respond differently from younger patients.

Other reported clinical experience has not identified differences in responses between the elderly and 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.

**8.6 Renal Impairment**

LARRETOIDE injection has been studied in patients with end-stage renal impairment on dialysis, but has not been studied in patients with mild, moderate, or severe renal impairment. It is recommended that patients with moderate or severe renal impairment receive a starting dose of lanreotide of 60 mg. Caution should be exercised when considering patients with moderate or severe renal impairment for an extended dosing interval of LARRETOIDE injection 120 mg every 6 or 8 weeks (see Dosage and Administration (2.1) and Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)).

**8.7 Hepatic Impairment**

It is recommended that patients with moderate or severe hepatic impairment receive a starting dose of lanreotide of 60 mg. Caution should be exercised when considering patients with moderate or severe hepatic impairment for an extended dosing interval of LARRETOIDE injection 120 mg every 6 or 8 weeks (see Dosage and Administration (2.1) and Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)).

**Neuroendocrine Tumors (NET) – Gastroenteropancreatic Neuroendocrine Tumors**

LARRETOIDE injection has not been studied in patients with hepatic impairment.

**11. DESCRIPTION**

LARRETOIDE injection 60 mg/0.2 mL, 90 mg/0.3 mL, and 120 mg/0.5 mL is a polypeptide-releasing formulation of deep subcutaneous injection. It contains the drug substance lanreotide acetate, a synthetic octapeptide with a biological activity similar to naturally occurring somatostatin, water for injection and acetic acid (pH adjustment).

