

For spontaneously reported post-marketing adverse reactions, the reporting frequency is categorised as not known.

MeDRA Standard System Organ Class (SOC)	Adverse Reaction	Frquency
Immune system disorders	Hypersensitivity Anaphylactic shock	Uncommon Very rare
General disorders and administration site conditions	Fever Chest pain	Uncommon Not known
Blood and lymphatic system disorders	Factor VIII inhibition Von Willebrand's factor inhibition	Uncommon (PTPs)* Very common (PUPs)* Very rare
Respiratory, thoracic and mediastinal disorders	Cough	Not known
Nervous system disorders	Dizziness	Not known
Gastrointestinal disorders	Abdominal pain	Not known
Musculoskeletal and connective tissue disorders	Back pain	Not known

* Frequency is based on studies with all FVIII products which included patients with severe haemophilia A. PTPs = previously-treated patients, PUPs = previously-untreated patients

Description of selected adverse reactions

For description of selected adverse reactions, see section 4.4

Reporting of suspected adverse reactions

Reporting suspected adverse reactions after authorisation of the medicinal product is important. It allows continued monitoring of the benefit/risk balance of the medicinal product. Healthcare professionals are asked to report any suspected adverse reactions.

4.9 Overdose

No symptoms of overdose with human VWF or factor VIII have been reported. Thromboembolic events may occur in case of major overdose.

5 PHARMACOLOGICAL PROPERTIES

5.1 Pharmacodynamic properties

Pharmacotherapeutic group: Antihaemorrhagics: blood coagulation factors

Von Willebrand factor and coagulation factor VIII in combination
ATC Code: B02BD06

Von Willebrand disease (VWD)

The VWF (from the concentrate) is a normal constituent of the human plasma and behaves in the same way as endogenous VWF. Administration of VWF allows correction of the haemostatic abnormalities exhibited in patients who suffer from VWF deficiency (VWD) at two levels:

- VWF re-establishes platelet adhesion to the vascular sub-endothelium at the site of vascular damage (as it binds both to the vascular sub-endothelium and to the platelet membrane), providing primary haemostasis as shown by the shortening of the bleeding time. This effect occurs immediately and is known to depend to a large extent to the level of polymerisation of the protein;
- VWF produces delayed correction of the associated factor VIII deficiency. Administered intravenously, VWF binds endogenous

factor VIII (which is produced normally by the patient), and by stabilising this factor, avoids its rapid degradation. Because of this, administration of pure VWF (VWF product with a low factor VIII level) restores the FVIII:C level to normal as a secondary effect after first infusion. Administration of a factor VIII-containing VWF preparation restores the FVIII:C level to normal immediately after first infusion.

In addition to its role as a factor VIII-protecting protein, VWF mediates platelet adhesion to sites of vascular injury and plays a role in platelet aggregation.

Haemophilia A

The factor VIII/von Willebrand factor complex consists of two molecules (factor VIII and vonWillebrand factor) with different physiological functions. When infused into a haemophiliac patient, factor VIII binds to von Willebrand factor in the patient's circulation. Activated factor VIII acts as a cofactor for activated factor IX, accelerating the conversion of factor X to activated factor X. Activated factor X converts prothrombin into thrombin. Thrombin then converts fibrinogen into fibrin and a clot can be formed. Haemophilia A is a sex-linked hereditary disorder of blood coagulation due to decreased levels of FVIII:C and results in profuse bleeding into joints, muscles or internal organs, either spontaneously or as results of accidental or surgical trauma. By replacement therapy the plasma levels of factor VIII are increased, thereby enabling a temporary correction of the factor deficiency and correction of the bleeding tendencies.

Of note, annualized bleeding rate (ABR) is not comparable between different factor concentrates and between different clinical studies.

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5.2 Pharmacokinetic properties

Von Willebrand disease (VWD)

VWF (from the concentrate) is a normal constituent of the human plasma and acts like the endogenous VWF.

Based on meta-analysis of three pharmacokinetic studies involving 24 evaluable patients with all VWD types, the following results were observed.

	All VWD types				
Parameter	N	Mean	SD	Min.	Max.
Recovery (%/IU/kg)	24	1.56	0.48	0.90	2.93
AUC (0-inf) (h*%)	23	1981	960	593	4831
T 1/2 (h)	24	23.3	12.6	7.4	58.4
MRT (h)	24	33.1	19	10.1	89.7
Clearance (mL/h/kg)	24	3.29	1.67	0.91	7.41

	VWD type 1				
Parameter	N	Mean	SD	Min.	Max.
Recovery (%/IU/kg)	2	1.19	0.07	1.14	1.24
AUC (0-inf) (h*%)	2	2062	510	1701	2423
T 1/2 (h)	2	39.7	18.3	26.7	52.7
MRT (h)	2	53.6	25.9	35.3	71.9
Clearance (mL/h/kg)	2	2.66	0.85	2.06	3.27

	VWD type 2				
Parameter	N	Mean	SD	Min.	Max.
Recovery (%/IU/kg)	5	1.83	0.86	0.98	2.93
AUC (0-inf) (h*%)	5	2971	1383	1511	4831
T 1/2 (h)	5	34.9	16	17.5	58.4
MRT (h)	5	53.5	24.6	27.8	89.7
Clearance (mL/h/kg)	5	1.95	1.02	0.91	3.31

	VWD type 3				
Parameter	N	Mean	SD	Min.	Max.
Recovery (%/IU/kg)	17	1.52	0.32	0.90	2.24
AUC (0-inf) (h*%)	16	1662	622	593	2606
T 1/2 (h)	17	18	6.2	7.4	30.5
MRT (h)	17	24.7	8.5	10.1	37.7
Clearance (mL/h/kg)	17	3.76	1.69	1.83	7.41

Key: AUC = area under the curve; MRT = mean residence time

Haemophilia A

Factor VIII (from the concentrate) is a normal constituent of the human plasma and acts like the endogenous factor VIII. After injection of the product, approximately two thirds to three quarters of the factor VIII remain in the circulation. The level of factor VIII activity reached in the plasma should be between 80–120% of the predicted factor VIII activity.

Plasma factor VIII activity decreases by a two-phase exponential decay. In the initial phase, distribution between the intravascular and other compartments (body fluids) occurs with a half-life of elimination from the plasma of 3 to 6 hours. In the subsequent slower phase, the half-life varies between 8 to 18 hours, with an average of 15 hours. This corresponds to the true biological half-life. The following results were observed in one clinical study in 12 patients (chromogenic assay, double measurement):

Parameter	Baseline visit		6-month visit	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
Recovery %/IU/kg	FVIII:C 2.27	1.20	FVIII:C 2.26	1.19
AUC _{norm} % * h/IU/kg	FVIII:C 31.3	7.31	FVIII:C 33.8	10.9
Half-life (h)	FVIII:C 11.2	2.85	FVIII:C 11.8	3.37
MRT (h)	FVIII:C 15.3	3.5	FVIII:C 16.3	4.6
Clearance mL/h/kg	FVIII:C 3.37	0.86	FVIII:C 3.24	1.04

Key: AUC = area under the curve; MRT = mean residence time; SD = standard deviation

5.3 Preclinical safety data

VWF and FVIII in Wilate are normal constituents of the human plasma and act like the endogenous VWF/FVIII.

Conventional safety testing of these compounds in laboratory animals would not add useful information to the existing clinical experience and therefore is not required.

6 PHARMACEUTICAL PARTICULARS

6.1 List of excipients

Powder: Sodium chloride, Glycine, Sucrose, Sodium citrate and Calcium chloride

Solvent: Water for injections with 0.1 % Polysorbate 80

6.2 Incompatibilities

In the absence of compatibility studies, this medicinal product must not be mixed with other medicinal products or administered simultaneously with other intravenous preparation in the same infusion set.

Only the provided injection/infusion sets should be used because treatment failure can occur as a consequence of factor VIII/von Willebrand factor adsorption to the internal surfaces of some injection/infusion equipment.

6.3 Shelf-life

3 years.

The stability of the reconstituted solution has been demonstrated for 4 hours at room temperature (max. +25°C). Nevertheless, to avoid microbial contamination, the reconstituted solution should be used immediately.

6.4 Special precautions for storage

Store powder and solvent vial in a refrigerator (2–8°C). Keep the vials in the outer carton in order to protect from light. Do not freeze. The product can be stored at room temperature (max. +25°C) for 6 months. In this case the shelf-life expires 6 months after the product has been taken out of the refrigerator for the first time. The new shelf-life has to be noted on the outer carton by the patient. The reconstituted solution should be used on one occasion only. Any solution remaining should be discarded.

For storage conditions after reconstitution of the medicinal product, see section 6.3.

6.5 Nature and contents of container

Package sizes:

Wilate 500, 500 IU VWF and 500 IU FVIII

1 package contains:

1 vial with Powder, type I glass, closed with a stopper (bromobutyl rubber) and sealed with a flip off cap

1 vial with Solvent (5 ml Water for Injections with 0.1% Polysorbate 80), type I glass, closed with a stopper (halobutyl rubber) and sealed with a flip off cap

1 equipment pack with the medical devices (1 disposable syringe, 1 transfer set (1 double-ended needle and 1 filter needle), 1 infusion set)

2 alcohol swabs

Wilate 1000, 1000 IU VWF and 1000 IU FVIII

1 package contains:

1 vial with Powder, type I glass, closed with a stopper (bromobutyl rubber) and sealed with a flip off cap

1 vial with Solvent (10 ml Water for Injections with 0.1% Polysorbate 80), type I glass, closed with a stopper (halobutyl rubber) and sealed with a flip off cap

1 equipment pack with the medical devices (1 disposable syringe, 1 transfer set (1 double-ended needle and 1 filter needle), 1 infusion set)

2 alcohol swabs

Not all pack sizes may be marketed.

6.6 Special precautions for disposal and other handling

Instructions for reconstitution:

1. Warm the Powder and Solvent in the closed vials up to room temperature. This temperature should be maintained during reconstitution.
2. Remove the caps from the powder vial and the solvent vial and clean the rubber stoppers with an alcohol swab.
3. Remove the protective cover from the short end of the double-ended needle, making sure not to touch the exposed tip of the needle. Then perforate the centre of the solvent vial rubber stopper with the vertically held needle. In order to withdraw the fluid from the solvent vial completely, the needle must be introduced into the rubber stopper in such a way that it just penetrates the stopper and is visible in the vial.
4. Remove the protective cover from the other, long end of the double-ended needle, making sure not to touch the exposed tip of the needle. Hold the solvent vial upside-down above the upright powder vial and quickly perforate the centre of the concentrate vial rubber stopper with the needle. The vacuum inside the concentrate vial draws in the solvent.
5. Remove the double-ended needle with the empty solvent vial from the powder vial, then slowly rotate the vial until the concentrate is completely dissolved. Wilate dissolves quickly at room temperature to a clear solution.

The solution is clear to slightly opalescent. If the concentrate fails to dissolve completely or an aggregate is formed, the preparation must not be used.

Instructions for injection:

As a precautionary measure, the patients pulse rate should be measured before and during the FVIII injection. If a marked increase in the pulse rate occurs the injection speed must be reduced or the administration must be interrupted.

1. After the powder has been reconstituted in the manner described above, remove the protective cover from the filter needle and perforate the rubber stopper of the concentrate vial.
2. Remove the cap of the filter needle and attach the syringe.
3. Turn the vial with the attached syringe upside-down and draw the solution up into the syringe.
4. Clean the intended injection site with an alcohol swab.
5. Remove the filter needle from the syringe and attach the butterfly infusion needle to the syringe instead.
6. Inject the solution intravenously at a slow speed of 2–3 ml/minute. Any unused product or waste material should be disposed of in accordance with local requirements.

7 NAME AND ADDRESS OF PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY

7.1 Marketing authorisation holder

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7.2 Manufacturer

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Vienna, Austria

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9 LEGAL CATEGORY

For prescription only.