

PRECAUTIONS

General

- The pretreatment physical examination should include special reference to breast and pelvic organs, as well as Papanicolaou smear.
- In cases of breakthrough bleeding, as in all cases of irregular vaginal bleeding, nonfunctional causes should be considered. In cases of undiagnosed vaginal bleeding, adequate diagnostic measures should be undertaken.
- Because progestogens may cause some degree of fluid retention, conditions which might be influenced by this factor (e.g., epilepsy, migraine, asthma, cardiac or renal dysfunction) require careful observation.
- The pathologist should be advised of progesterone therapy when relevant specimens are submitted.
- Patients who have a history of psychic depression should be carefully observed and the drug discontinued if the depression recurs to a serious degree.
- A decrease in glucose tolerance has been observed in a small percentage of patients on estrogen-progestin combination drugs. The mechanism of this decrease is not known. For this reason, diabetic patients should be carefully observed while receiving progestin therapy.

Information for Patients

The product should not be used concurrently with other local intravaginal therapy. If other local intravaginal therapy is to be used concurrently, there should be at least a 6-hour period before or after Crinone administration. Small, white globules may appear as a vaginal discharge possibly due to gel accumulation, even several days after usage.

Drug Interactions

No drug interactions have been assessed with Crinone.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility

Nonclinical toxicity studies to determine the potential of Crinone to cause carcinogenicity or mutagenicity have not been performed. The effect of Crinone on fertility has not been evaluated in animals.

Pregnancy

[See CLINICAL STUDIES, Assisted Reproductive Technology.]

Crinone 8% has been used to support embryo implantation and maintain pregnancies through its use as part of ART treatment regimens in two clinical studies (studies COL1620-007US and COL1620-F01). In the first study (COL1620-007US), 54 Crinone-treated women had donor oocyte transfer procedures, and clinical pregnancies occurred in 26 women (48%). The outcomes of these 26 pregnancies were as follows: one woman had an elective termination of pregnancy at 19 weeks due to congenital malformations (omphalocele) associated with a chromosomal abnormality; one woman pregnant with triplets had an elective termination

of her pregnancy; seven women had spontaneous abortions; and 17 women delivered 25 apparently normal newborns.

In the second study (COL1620-F01), Crinone 8% was used in the luteal phase support of women undergoing *in vitro* fertilization (“IVF”) procedures. In this multi-center, open-label study, 139 women received Crinone 8% once daily beginning within 24 hours of embryo transfer and continuing through Day 30 post-transfer.

Clinical pregnancies assessed at Day 90 post-transfer were seen in 36 (26%) of women. Thirty-two women (23%) delivered newborns and four women (3%) had spontaneous abortions. Of the 47 newborns delivered, one had a teratoma associated with a cleft palate; one had respiratory distress syndrome; 44 were apparently normal and one was lost to follow-up.

Geriatric Use

The safety and effectiveness in geriatric patients (over age 65) have not been established.

Pediatric Use

Safety and effectiveness in pediatric patients have not been established.

Nursing Mothers

Detectable amounts of progestins have been identified in the milk of mothers receiving them. The effect of this on the nursing infant has not been determined.

ADVERSE REACTIONS

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In a study of 61 women with ovarian failure undergoing a donor oocyte transfer procedure receiving Crinone 8% twice daily, treatment-emergent adverse events occurring in 5% or more of the women are shown in Table 3.

TABLE 3 Treatment-Emergent Adverse Events in ≥ 5% of Women Receiving Crinone 8% Twice Daily Study COL1620-007US (n = 61)	
Body as a Whole Bloating Cramps NOS Pain	7% 15% 8%
Central and Peripheral Nervous System Dizziness Headache	5% 13%
Gastro-Intestinal System Nausea	7%
Reproductive, Female Breast Pain Moniliasis Genital Vaginal Discharge	13% 5% 7%
Skin and Appendages Pruritus Genital	5%

In a second clinical study of 139 women using Crinone 8% once daily for luteal phase support while undergoing an *in vitro* fertilization procedure, treatment-emergent adverse events reported in ≥ 5% of the women are shown in Table 4.

TABLE 4 Treatment-Emergent Adverse Events in ≥ 5% of Women Receiving Crinone 8% Once Daily Study COL1620-F01 (n = 139)	
Body as a Whole Abdominal Pain Perineal Pain Female	12% 17%
Central and Peripheral Nervous System Headache	17%
Gastro-Intestinal System Constipation Diarrhea Nausea Vomiting	27% 8% 22% 5%
Musculo-Skeletal System Arthralgia	8%
Psychiatric Depression Libido Decreased Nervousness Somnolence	11% 10% 16% 27%
Reproductive, Female Breast Enlargement Dyspareunia	40% 6%
Urinary System Nocturia	13%

Secondary Amenorrhea

In three studies, 127 women with secondary amenorrhea received estrogen replacement therapy and Crinone 4% or 8% every other day for six doses. Treatment-emergent adverse events during estrogen and Crinone treatment that occurred in 5% or more of women are shown in Table 5.

TABLE 5 Treatment-Emergent Adverse Events in ≥ 5% of Women Receiving Estrogen Treatment and Crinone Every Other Day Studies COL1620-004US, COL1620-005US, COL1620-009US		
	Estrogen + Crinone 4% n = 62	Estrogen + Crinone 8% n = 65
Body as a Whole Abdominal Pain Appetite Increased Bloating Cramps NOS Fatigue	3 (5%) 3 (5%) 8 (13%) 12 (19%) 13 (21%)	6 (9%) 5 (8%) 8 (12%) 17 (26%) 14 (22%)

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	Estrogen + Crinone 4% n = 62	Estrogen + Crinone 8% n = 65
Central and Peripheral Nervous System Headache	12 (19%)	10 (15%)
Gastro-Intestinal System Nausea	5 (8%)	4 (6%)
Musculo-Skeletal System Back Pain Myalgia	5 (8%) 5 (8%)	2 (3%) 0 (0%)
Psychiatric Depression Emotional Lability Sleep Disorder	12 (19%) 14 (23%) 11 (18%)	10 (15%) 14 (22%) 12 (18%)
Reproductive, Female Vaginal Discharge	7 (11%)	2 (3%)
Resistance Mechanism Upper Respiratory Tract Infection	3 (5%)	5 (8%)
Skin and Appendages Pruritus Genital	1 (2%)	4 (6%)

OVERDOSAGE

There have been no reports of overdosage with Crinone. In the case of overdosage, however, discontinue Crinone, treat the patient symptomatically, and institute supportive measures.

As with all prescription drugs, this medicine should be kept out of the reach of children.

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

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Crinone 8% is administered vaginally at a dose of 90 mg once daily in women who require progesterone supplementation. Crinone 8% is administered vaginally at a dose of 90 mg twice daily in women with partial or complete ovarian failure who require progesterone replacement. If pregnancy occurs, treatment may be continued until placental autonomy is achieved, up to 10 to 12 weeks.

Secondary Amenorrhea

Crinone 4% is administered vaginally every other day up to a total of six doses. For women who fail to respond, a trial of Crinone 8% every other day up to a total of six doses may be instituted.

It is important to note that a dosage increase from the 4% gel can only be accomplished by using the 8% gel. Increasing the volume of gel administered does not increase the amount of progesterone absorbed.

HOW SUPPLIED

Crinone is available in the following strengths:

4% gel (45 mg) in a single use, disposable, white polypropylene vaginal applicator with a teal twist-off cap. Each applicator contains 1.3 g of gel and delivers 1.125 g of gel.

NDC 52544-255-24: 6 Single-use prefilled applicators.

8% gel (90 mg) in a single use, disposable, white polypropylene vaginal applicator with a teal twist-off cap. Each applicator contains 1.3 g of gel and delivers 1.125 g of gel.

NDC 52544-256-12: 15 Single-use prefilled applicators.

Each applicator is wrapped and sealed in a foil overwrap.

Store at 20-25°C (68-77°F). [See USP controlled room temperature.]

Keep out of reach of children.

Rx only

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

Crinone® 4% and Crinone® 8% (“KRI-noan”)

(progesterone gel)

For Vaginal Use Only

You will need the following supplies: See Figure A.

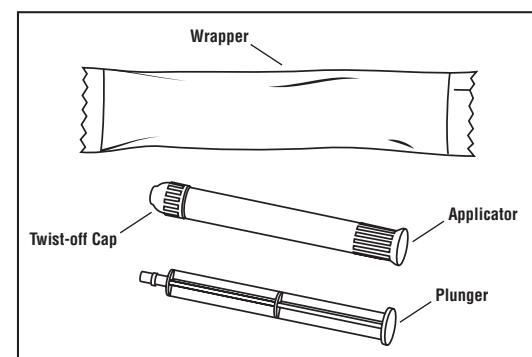


Figure A

Step 1. Remove the applicator from the sealed wrapper.

- Open the sealed wrapper and remove the applicator. Do not remove the twist-off cap at this time. See Figure B.

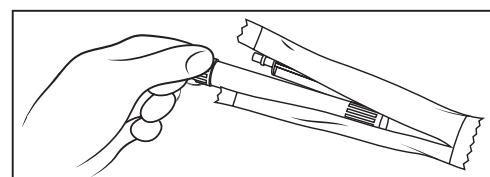


Figure B

Step 2. Insert the plunger into the open end of the applicator. See Figure C.

- Hold the applicator on each side and push the plunger into the applicator until the plunger snaps into place.
- You will see about 1 inch of the plunger outside of the applicator.

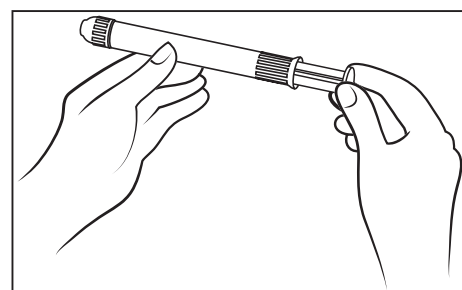


Figure C

Step 3. Remove the cap. See Figures D and E.

- Remove the cap from the tip of the applicator by twisting it counterclockwise.
- Do not push the plunger while you are removing the cap. This could cause some gel to come out.

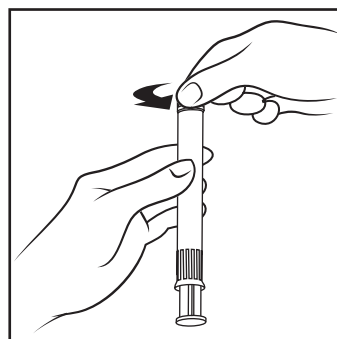


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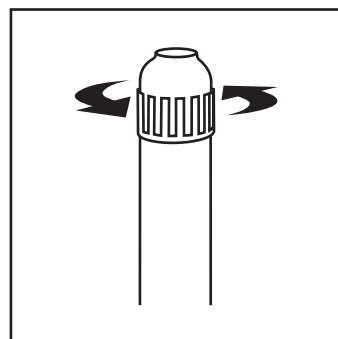


Figure E

Step 4. Prepare to insert the applicator. See Figure F.

- Choose the position that is most comfortable for you. For example, lying down on your back with your knees bent.

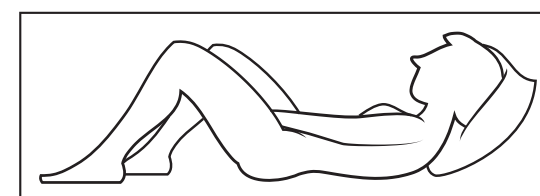


Figure F

Step 5. Insert the applicator. See Figure G.

- After you are in a comfortable position, gently insert the rounded tip of the applicator into your vagina.

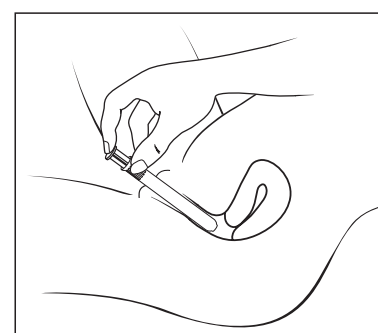


Figure G

Step 6. Push the plunger. See Figure H.

- While the applicator is inserted in your vagina, push the plunger to release the gel into your vagina.

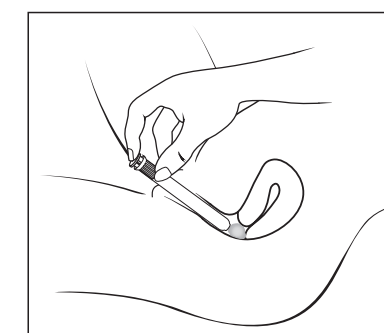


Figure H

Step 7. Remove the applicator from your vagina and throw it away in your household trash.

- It is normal for a small amount of gel to be left in the applicator. You will still get the right dose of medicine.

This Instructions for Use has been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

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