

## **XEPLION® 50 mg, 75 mg, 100 mg & 150 mg prolonged release suspension for injection PRESCRIBING INFORMATION**

**ACTIVE INGREDIENT(S):** 50 mg, 75 mg, 100 mg or 150 mg paliperidone.

Please refer to Summary of Product Characteristics (SmPC) before prescribing.

**INDICATION(S):** XEPLION is indicated for maintenance treatment of schizophrenia in adult patients stabilised with paliperidone or risperidone. In selected adult patients with schizophrenia and previous responsiveness to oral paliperidone or risperidone, XEPLION may be used without prior stabilisation with oral treatment if psychotic symptoms are mild to moderate and a long-acting injectable treatment is needed.

**DOSAGE & ADMINISTRATION:** Intramuscular use only. Initiation doses (days 1 and 8) must be administered in deltoid muscle for therapeutic concentrations to be rapidly attained. **Adults:** 150 mg on treatment day 1 and 100 mg one week later (day 8 ± 4), both doses administered in deltoid muscle, using 1½ inch, 22 gauge needle (38.1 mm x 0.72 mm) for patients ≥ 90 kg, or 1-inch, 23 gauge needle (25.4 mm x 0.64 mm) for those < 90 kg. The third dose should be administered one month after the second initiation dose. Recommended monthly maintenance dose is 75 mg (range 50 mg-150 mg) in either deltoid or gluteal muscle. Recommended needle size for maintenance administration of XEPLION into deltoid muscle is as for initiation doses, and for the gluteal muscle is the 1½-inch, 22 gauge needle (38.1 mm x 0.72 mm). To avoid a missed monthly maintenance dose patients may be given injection up to 7 days before or after the monthly time point. Consider maintenance doses in upper range for overweight/obese patients. Adjust maintenance dose at monthly intervals as necessary. Alternate injections between left and right sides. Discontinue previous oral paliperidone or risperidone at time of initiation of XEPLION treatment (gradual withdrawal may benefit some patients). When switching patients from RISPERDAL® CONSTA™, initiate XEPLION in place of next scheduled injection, continue at monthly intervals. **Children:** No safety or efficacy data available. **Elderly:** No safety or efficacy data available for patients > 65 years. **Renal impairment: Mild** (creatinine clearance ≥ 50 to < 80 ml/min): Initiate with 100 mg on treatment day 1 and 75 mg one week later (day 8). Recommended monthly maintenance dose 50 mg. **Moderate or severe** (creatinine clearance < 50 ml/min): Not recommended. **Hepatic impairment:** Caution in severe hepatic impairment.

**CONTRAINDICATIONS:** Hypersensitivity to paliperidone, risperidone or any of the excipients.

**SPECIAL WARNINGS & PRECAUTIONS:** Do not use in acutely agitated or severely psychotic patients. Caution in cardiovascular disease (including family history of QT prolongation), cerebrovascular disease (especially elderly patients with dementia and risk factors for stroke), hypotension/ hypotensive states, prolactin-dependent tumours, seizures (or conditions that lower seizure threshold), Parkinson's disease and dementia with Lewy bodies. Discontinue all antipsychotics if neuroleptic malignant syndrome occurs. Consider discontinuation of all antipsychotics if tardive dyskinesia occurs. Caution is warranted in patients receiving both, psychostimulants (e.g., methylphenidate) and paliperidone concomitantly, as extrapyramidal symptoms could

emerge when adjusting one or both medications. Gradual withdrawal of stimulant treatment is recommended. Monitoring of white cell count (WCC) may be required. Discontinue XEPLION at first sign of clinically significant WCC in absence of other causes or if severe neutropenia (absolute neutrophil count  $<1 \times 10^9/L$ ). Rarely, anaphylactic reactions reported in patients previously tolerating oral risperidone/paliperidone. If occur, discontinue XEPLION, initiate general supportive measures and monitor until resolved. Appropriate clinical monitoring advised in patient with or at risk of diabetes. Advise of potential for weight gain, monitor weight regularly. Advise male patients to seek urgent medical care if priapism not resolved within 4 hours. Appropriate care advised for patients who will experience conditions that elevate core body temperature. Identify all possible risk factors for venous thromboembolism (VTE) before and during treatment and take preventive measures. Antiemetic effect (observed in paliperidone preclinical studies) may mask other conditions including overdose with certain medicines. Avoid inadvertent injection into a blood vessel. Intraoperative floppy iris syndrome (IFIS) has been observed during cataract surgery in patients treated with medicines with alpha1a-adrenergic antagonist effect, such as XEPLION.

**SIDE EFFECTS:** **Very common:** insomnia. **Common:** upper respiratory tract infection, urinary tract infection, influenza, hyperprolactinaemia, hyperglycaemia, weight increased, weight decreased, decreased appetite, agitation, depression, anxiety, parkinsonism, akathisia, sedation/somnolence, dystonia, dizziness, dyskinesia, tremor, headache, tachycardia, hypertension, cough, nasal congestion, abdominal pain, vomiting, nausea, constipation, diarrhoea, dyspepsia, toothache, transaminases increased, musculoskeletal pain, back pain, arthralgia, amenorrhoea, pyrexia, asthenia, fatigue and injection site reaction. **Other side effects reported with paliperidone include:** pneumonia, respiratory tract infection, cellulitis, subcutaneous abscess, thrombocytopenia, head titubation neutropenia, agranulocytosis, hypersensitivity, anaphylactic reaction, inappropriate antidiuretic hormone secretion, diabetic ketoacidosis, diabetes mellitus, hypoglycaemia, water intoxication, neuroleptic malignant syndrome, tardive dyskinesia, cerebral ischaemia, loss of consciousness, convulsion, diabetic coma, glaucoma, atrial fibrillation, atrioventricular block, bradycardia, pulmonary embolism, venous thrombosis, pulmonary congestion, pneumonia aspiration, pancreatitis, faecaloma, intestinal obstruction, ileus, jaundice, Stevens-Johnson syndrome/toxic epidermal necrolysis, angioedema, rhabdomyolysis, urinary retention, hypothermia, body temperature increased, drug withdrawal syndrome (including neonatal), injection site necrosis, respiratory tract congestion, wheezing, seborrhoeic dermatitis, galactorrhoea, priapism, . **Injection site reactions:** mild to moderate pain most commonly reported (tended to lessen in frequency and intensity over time). **Weight gain:** 12 % of XEPLION-treated subjects experienced weight gain of  $\square$  7% (from double-blind phase to endpoint) during 33-week open-label phase of long-term recurrence prevention study. **Laboratory tests: Serum prolactin:** increases in serum prolactin observed in clinical trial subjects (both genders) with XEPLION. Adverse reactions suggesting increase in prolactin levels reported overall in  $<1\%$  of subjects. **Class effects:** Ventricular arrhythmias, sudden unexplained death, cardiac arrest, and Torsade de pointes may occur with antipsychotics. Cases of venous thromboembolism, including pulmonary embolism and deep vein thrombosis, also reported.

**Refer to SmPC for other side effects.**

**PREGNANCY:** Should not be used during pregnancy unless clearly necessary.

**LACTATION:** Should not be used while breast-feeding.

**INTERACTIONS:** Caution with medicines that prolong QT interval e.g., class IA and class III antiarrhythmics, some antihistaminics, some other antipsychotics, some antimalarials. **Potential for XEPLION to affect other medicines:** Caution in conjunction with: other centrally acting medicines e.g., anxiolytics, antipsychotics, hypnotics, opiates, alcohol; medicines known to lower seizure threshold i.e., phenothiazines, butyrophenones, clozapine, tricyclics, SSRIs, tramadol, mefloquine etc; medicines capable of inducing orthostatic hypotension (an additive effect may be observed when XEPLION is co-administered); levodopa and other dopamine agonists (paliperidone may antagonize their effect- use lowest effective dose of each treatment if this combination necessary e.g., end-stage Parkinson's disease). Interaction of XEPLION with lithium unlikely. **Potential for other medicines to affect XEPLION:** Concomitant administration of oral paliperidone and paroxetine (a potent CYP2D6 inhibitor) showed no clinically significant effect on paliperidone pharmacokinetics. Co-administration of oral paliperidone once daily with carbamazepine 200 mg twice daily decreases plasma concentration of paliperidone by 37%. Re-evaluate/increase XEPLION dose at carbamazepine initiation. No clinically significant interaction expected between valproate and XEPLION. Caution when XEPLION is co-administered with risperidone or with oral paliperidone for extended periods of time. Limited safety data for concomitant use of XEPLION with other antipsychotics. The combined use of psychostimulants (e.g. methylphenidate) with paliperidone can lead to extrapyramidal symptoms upon change of either/both treatments.

**Refer to SmPC for full details of interactions.**

**LEGAL CATEGORY:** Prescription Only Medicine.

**PRESENTATIONS, PACK SIZES, MARKETING AUTHORISATION NUMBERS & BASIC NHS COSTS:**

PRESENTATION	PACK SIZE	MARKETING AUTHORISATION NUMBER	BASIC NHS COST
50 mg pre-filled syringe	1 dose	PLGB 00242/0708	£183.92
		EU/1/11/672/002	
75 mg pre-filled syringe		PLGB 00242/0709	£244.90
		EU/1/11/672/003	
100 mg pre-filled syringe		PLGB 00242/0710	£314.07
		EU/1/11/672/004	
150 mg pre-filled syringe		PLGB 00242/0711	£392.59
		EU/1/11/672/005	

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## Trevicta® 175 mg, 263 mg, 350 mg & 525 mg prolonged release suspension for injection PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

**ACTIVE INGREDIENT(S):** 175 mg, 263 mg, 350 mg & 525 mg paliperidone.

Please refer to Summary of Product Characteristics (SmPC) before prescribing.

**INDICATION(S):** TREVICTA, a 3-monthly injection, is indicated for the maintenance treatment of schizophrenia in adult patients who are clinically stable on 1-monthly paliperidone palmitate injectable product.

**DOSAGE & ADMINISTRATION:** Intramuscular injection. Patients who are treated with 1-monthly paliperidone palmitate injectable (4 months or more) and do not require dose adjustment may be switched to TREVICTA. **Adults:** Administer dose in either deltoid or gluteal muscle. Deltoid administration, use 1½ inch, 22 gauge needle

(0.72 mm x 38.1 mm) patients ≥ 90 kg, or 1-inch, 22 gauge needle (0.72 mm x 25.4 mm) patients < 90 kg. For gluteal administration use the 1½-inch, 22 gauge needle (0.72 mm x 38.1 mm). Initiate TREVICTA in place of the next scheduled dose of 1-month paliperidone palmitate injectable (± 7 days). Base TREVICTA dose on the previous 1-month paliperidone palmitate injectable dose using a 3.5-fold higher dose. Thereafter TREVICTA should be administered by intramuscular injection once every 3 months (± 2 weeks). Dose adjustment of TREVICTA can be made every 3 months in increments within the range of 175 mg to 525 mg. Alternate injections between left and right sides. **Children:** No safety or efficacy data available. **Elderly:** No safety or efficacy data available for patients > 65 years. **Renal impairment: Mild** (creatinine clearance ≥ 50 to < 80 ml/min): dose should be adjusted. Stabilise patient using 1-month paliperidone palmitate injectable, and then transition to TREVICTA. **Moderate or severe** (creatinine clearance < 50 ml/min): Not recommended.

**Hepatic impairment:** Caution in severe hepatic impairment.

**CONTRAINDICATIONS:** Hypersensitivity to paliperidone, risperidone or any of the excipients.

**SPECIAL WARNINGS & PRECAUTIONS:** Do not use in acutely agitated or severely psychotic patients. Not recommended in elderly dementia patients. Caution in cardiovascular disease (including family history of QT prolongation), cerebrovascular disease, hypotension, prolactin-dependent tumours, seizures, Parkinson's disease and in conjunction with medicines that prolong QT interval. May induce orthostatic hypotension. If tardive dyskinesia occurs, consider discontinuing all antipsychotics. Caution is warranted in patients receiving both, psychostimulants (e.g., methylphenidate) and paliperidone concomitantly, as extrapyramidal symptoms could emerge when adjusting one or both medications. Gradual withdrawal of stimulant treatment is recommended. Events of leucopenia, neutropenia, and agranulocytosis reported with antipsychotics, including TREVICTA, additional monitoring or cessation of treatment may be required. If Neuroleptic Malignant Syndrome (NMS) occurs discontinue all antipsychotics. Rarely, anaphylactic reactions reported in patients previously tolerating oral risperidone/paliperidone. If occur, discontinue TREVICTA, initiate general supportive measures, monitor until resolved. Appropriate clinical monitoring in diabetics and those with risk factors for diabetes advisable. Advise of potential for weight gain, monitor weight regularly. Priapism reported with oral

paliperidone. Caution in patients experiencing conditions which may contribute to core body temperature elevation. Identify all possible risk factors for venous thromboembolism (VTE) before and during treatment and take preventive measures. Antiemetic effect (observed in paliperidone preclinical studies) may mask overdose with certain medicines, intestinal obstruction, Reye's syndrome, brain tumour etc. Avoid inadvertent injection into a blood vessel. Intraoperative floppy iris syndrome (IFIS) observed during cataract surgery in patients treated with medicines with alpha1a-adrenergic antagonist effect, such as TREVICTA.

**SIDE EFFECTS: Very common:** insomnia. **Common:** upper respiratory tract infection, urinary tract infection, influenza, hyperprolactinaemia, hyperglycaemia, weight increased, weight decreased, decreased appetite, agitation, depression, anxiety, parkinsonism, akathisia, sedation/ somnolence, dystonia, dizziness, dyskinesia, tremor, headache, tachycardia, hypertension, cough, nasal congestion, abdominal pain, vomiting, nausea, constipation, diarrhoea, dyspepsia, toothache, transaminases increased, musculoskeletal pain, back pain, arthralgia, amenorrhoea, pyrexia, asthenia, fatigue, injection site reaction. **Other side effects reported with paliperidone include:** pneumonia, respiratory tract infection, cellulitis, thrombocytopenia, diabetes mellitus, electrocardiogram QT prolonged, bradycardia, subcutaneous abscess, neutropenia, inappropriate antidiuretic hormone secretion, diabetic ketoacidosis, NMS, cerebral ischaemia, unresponsive to stimuli, loss of consciousness, depressed level of consciousness, glaucoma, atrial fibrillation, pulmonary congestion, pancreatitis, faecaloma, urinary retention, hypothermia, agranulocytosis, anaphylactic reaction, water intoxication, diabetic coma, pulmonary embolism, pneumonia aspiration, intestinal obstruction, seborrhoeic dermatitis, galactorrhoea, ileus, Stevens-Johnson syndrome/toxic epidermal necrolysis, angioedema, rhabdomyolysis, injection site necrosis, priapism, respiratory tract congestion, wheezing, head titubation, thrombocytopenia. **Other side effects reported with risperidone (paliperidone is the active metabolite of risperidone):** **Weight gain:** 10% of TREVICTA-treated subjects experienced weight gain of  $\geq 7\%$ . **Laboratory tests: Serum prolactin:** increases in serum prolactin observed. **Class effects:** QT prolongation, ventricular arrhythmias, sudden unexplained death, cardiac arrest, and Torsade de pointes may occur with antipsychotics. Cases of venous thromboembolism, including pulmonary embolism and deep vein thrombosis, also reported.

**Refer to SmPC for other side effects.**

**PREGNANCY:** Should not be used during pregnancy unless clearly necessary.

**LACTATION:** Should not be used while breastfeeding.

**INTERACTIONS:** Caution with medicines that prolong QT interval e.g., class IA and class III antiarrhythmics, some antihistaminics, some antibiotics, some other antipsychotics, some antimalarials. **Potential for TREVICTA to affect other medicines:** Caution in conjunction with: other centrally acting medicines e.g., anxiolytics, antipsychotics, hypnotics, opiates, alcohol; medicines known to lower seizure threshold i.e., phenothiazines, butyrophenones, tricyclics, SSRI's, tramadol, mefloquine; medicines capable of inducing orthostatic hypotension (an additive effect may be observed when TREVICTA is co-administered); levodopa and other dopamine agonists (paliperidone may antagonize their effect- use lowest effective dose of each treatment if this combination necessary e.g., end-stage Parkinson's disease). Interaction of TREVICTA with lithium unlikely. **Potential for other medicines to affect**

**TREVICTA:** Administration of oral paliperidone and paroxetine (a potent CYP2D6 inhibitor) showed no clinically significant effect on paliperidone pharmacokinetics. Co-administration of oral paliperidone once daily with carbamazepine 200 mg twice daily decreases plasma concentration of paliperidone by 37%. Re-evaluate/increase TREVICTA dose at carbamazepine initiation. No clinically significant interaction expected between valproate and TREVICTA. Caution when TREVICTA is co administered with risperidone or with oral paliperidone for extended periods of time. Limited safety data for concomitant use of TREVICTA with other antipsychotics. The combined use of psychostimulants (e.g. methylphenidate) with paliperidone can lead to extrapyramidal symptoms upon change of either/both treatments.

**Refer to SmPC for full details of interactions.**

**LEGAL CATEGORY:** Prescription Only Medicine.

**PRESENTATIONS, PACK SIZES, MARKETING AUTHORISATION NUMBERS & BASIC NHS COSTS:**

PRESENTATION	PACK SIZE	MARKETING AUTHORISATION NUMBER(S)	BASIC NHS COSTS
175 mg pre-filled syringe	1 dose	PLGB 00242/0712	£551.76
		EU/1/14/971/007	
263 mg pre-filled syringe		PLGB 00242/0713	£734.70
		EU/1/14/971/008	
350 mg pre-filled syringe		PLGB 00242/0714	£942.21
		EU/1/14/971/009	
525 mg pre-filled syringe		PLGB 00242/0715	£1177.77
		EU/1/14/971/010	

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**BYANCLI® 700 mg, 1000 mg prolonged-release suspension for injection in pre-filled syringe PRESCRIBING INFORMATION**

**ACTIVE INGREDIENT(S):** 700 mg, 1000 mg paliperidone

Please refer to Summary of Product Characteristics (SmPC) before prescribing.

**INDICATION(S):** BYANCLI, a 6-monthly injection, is indicated for the maintenance treatment of schizophrenia in adult patients who are clinically stable on 1-monthly or 3-monthly paliperidone palmitate injectable products

**DOSAGE & ADMINISTRATION:** Gluteal intramuscular injection only. It should be injected slowly, deep into the upper-outer quadrant of the gluteal muscle. Patients who are adequately treated with 1-monthly paliperidone palmitate injection at doses of 100 mg or 150 mg (preferably for four months or more) or 3-monthly paliperidone palmitate injection at doses of 350 mg or 525 mg (for at least one injection cycle) and do not require dose adjustment may be transitioned to 6-monthly paliperidone palmitate injection. **Adults:** Administer dose in gluteal muscle only. Use 1½ inch, 20 gauge (0.9 mm × 38 mm) needle, regardless of body weight. *BYANCLI for patients adequately treated with 1-monthly paliperidone palmitate at doses of 100 mg or 150 mg:* Initiate BYANCLI in place of the next scheduled dose of 1-monthly paliperidone palmitate injectable (± 7 days). The BYANCLI dose should be based on the previous 1-monthly paliperidone palmitate injectable dose. Thereafter BYANCLI should be administered by gluteal intramuscular injection once every 6 months (± 14 days). *BYANCLI for patients adequately treated with 3-monthly paliperidone palmitate injection at doses of 350 mg or 525 mg:* BYANCLI should be initiated in place of the next scheduled dose of 3-monthly paliperidone palmitate injection (± 14 days). The BYANCLI dose should be based on the previous 3-monthly paliperidone palmitate injectable dose. Thereafter BYANCLI should be administered by gluteal intramuscular injection once every 6 months (± 14 days). Refer to the SmPC for full details of transitioning patients to BYANCLI. Dose adjustment of BYANCLI can be made every 6 months between the dose levels of 700 mg and 1000 mg. Alternate injections between left and right sides. **Children:** No safety or efficacy data available. **Elderly:** No safety or efficacy data available for patients > 65 years. **Renal impairment: Mild** (creatinine clearance ≥ 50 to < 80 ml/min): patients stabilised on either 100 mg 1-monthly paliperidone palmitate injectable or 350 mg 3-monthly paliperidone palmitate injectable can be transitioned to BYANCLI at the 700 mg dose only. 1000 mg dose of BYANCLI is not recommended for patients with mild renal impairment. **Moderate or severe** (creatinine clearance < 50 ml/min): Not recommended. **Hepatic impairment:** Caution in severe hepatic impairment.

**CONTRAINDICATIONS:** Hypersensitivity to paliperidone, risperidone or any of the excipients.

**SPECIAL WARNINGS & PRECAUTIONS:** Do not use in acutely agitated or severely psychotic patients. Not recommended in elderly dementia patients. Caution in cardiovascular disease (including family history of QT prolongation), cerebrovascular disease, hypotension, prolactin-dependent tumours, seizures, Parkinson's disease and in conjunction with medicines that prolong QT interval. May induce orthostatic hypotension. If tardive dyskinesia occurs, consider discontinuing all antipsychotics. Caution is warranted in patients receiving both, psychostimulants (e.g., methylphenidate) and paliperidone concomitantly, as extrapyramidal symptoms could emerge when adjusting one or both medications. Gradual withdrawal of stimulant



treatment is recommended. Events of leucopenia, neutropenia, and agranulocytosis reported with antipsychotics, including BYANLLI, additional monitoring or cessation of treatment may be required. If Neuroleptic Malignant Syndrome (NMS) occurs discontinue all antipsychotics. Rarely, anaphylactic reactions reported in patients previously tolerating oral risperidone/paliperidone. If occur, discontinue BYANLLI, initiate general supportive measures, monitor until resolved. Appropriate clinical monitoring in diabetics and those with risk factors for diabetes advisable. Advise of potential for weight gain, monitor weight regularly. Priapism reported with oral paliperidone. Caution in patients experiencing conditions which may contribute to core body temperature elevation. Identify all possible risk factors for venous thromboembolism (VTE) before and during treatment and take preventive measures. Antiemetic effect (observed in paliperidone preclinical studies) may mask overdose with certain medicines, intestinal obstruction, Reye's syndrome, brain tumour etc. Avoid inadvertent injection into a blood vessel. Intraoperative floppy iris syndrome (IFIS) observed during cataract surgery in patients treated with medicines with alpha 1 adrenergic antagonist effect, such as BYANLLI.

**SIDE EFFECTS: Very Common:** insomnia. **Common:** upper respiratory tract infection, urinary tract infection, influenza, hyperprolactinaemia, hyperglycaemia, weight increased, weight decreased, decreased appetite, agitation, depression, anxiety, parkinsonism, akathisia, sedation/ somnolence, dystonia, dizziness, dyskinesia, tremor, headache, tachycardia, hypertension, cough, nasal congestion, abdominal pain, vomiting, nausea, constipation, diarrhoea, dyspepsia, toothache, transaminases increased, musculoskeletal pain, back pain, arthralgia, amenorrhoea, pyrexia, asthenia, fatigue, injection site reaction. **Other side effects reported with paliperidone include:** pneumonia, respiratory tract infection, cellulitis, thrombocytopenia, diabetes mellitus, electrocardiogram QT prolonged, bradycardia, subcutaneous abscess, neutropenia, inappropriate antidiuretic hormone secretion, diabetic ketoacidosis, NMS, cerebral ischaemia, unresponsive to stimuli, loss of consciousness, depressed level of consciousness, glaucoma, atrial fibrillation, pulmonary congestion, pancreatitis, faecaloma, urinary retention, hypothermia, agranulocytosis, anaphylactic reaction, water intoxication, diabetic coma, pulmonary embolism, pneumonia aspiration, intestinal obstruction, ileus, Stevens-Johnson syndrome/toxic epidermal necrolysis, angioedema, rhabdomyolysis, injection site necrosis. **Other side effects reported with risperidone (paliperidone is the active metabolite of risperidone):** **Weight gain:** 10.6% of BYANLLI-treated subjects experienced weight gain of  $\geq 7\%$ . **Laboratory tests:** **Serum prolactin:** increases in serum prolactin observed. **Class effects:** QT prolongation, ventricular arrhythmias, sudden unexplained death, cardiac arrest, and Torsade de pointes may occur with antipsychotics. Cases of venous thromboembolism, including pulmonary embolism and deep vein thrombosis, also reported.

**Refer to SmPC for other side effects.**

**PREGNANCY:** Plasma exposure to paliperidone after a single dose of BYANLLI is expected to remain for up to 4 years. BYANLLI should only be used in women planning to become pregnant if clearly necessary. BYANLLI should not be used during pregnancy unless clearly necessary.

**LACTATION:** Breast-fed infants may be at risk even from BYANLLI administration long before breast-feeding. Patients currently under treatment or who have been treated in the past 4 years with BYANLLI should not breast feed.

**INTERACTIONS:** Caution with medicines that prolong QT interval e.g., class IA and class III antiarrhythmics, some antihistaminics, some antibiotics, some other antipsychotics, some antimalarials. **Potential for BYANLI to affect other medicines:** Caution in conjunction with: other centrally acting medicines e.g., anxiolytics, antipsychotics, hypnotics, opiates, alcohol; medicines known to lower seizure threshold i.e., phenothiazines, butyrophenones, tricyclics, SSRI's, tramadol, mefloquine; medicines capable of inducing orthostatic hypotension (an additive effect may be observed when BYANLI is co-administered); levodopa and other dopamine agonists (paliperidone may antagonize their effect- use lowest effective dose of each treatment if this combination necessary e.g., end-stage Parkinson's disease). Interaction of BYANLI with lithium unlikely. **Potential for other medicines to affect BYANLI:** Administration of oral paliperidone and paroxetine (a potent CYP2D6 inhibitor) showed no clinically significant effect on paliperidone pharmacokinetics. Co-administration of oral paliperidone once daily with carbamazepine 200 mg twice daily decreases plasma concentration of paliperidone by 37%. Reevaluate/increase BYANLI dose at carbamazepine initiation. No clinically significant interaction expected between valproate and BYANLI. Caution when BYANLI is co administered with risperidone or with oral paliperidone for extended periods of time. Limited safety data for concomitant use of BYANLI with other antipsychotics. The combined use of psychostimulants (e.g. methylphenidate) with paliperidone can lead to extrapyramidal symptoms upon change of either/both treatments

**Refer to SmPC for full details of interactions.**

**LEGAL CATEGORY:** Prescription Only Medicine

**PRESENTATIONS, PACK SIZES, MARKETING AUTHORISATION NUMBER(S) & BASIC NHS COSTS**

PRESENTATIONS	PACK SIZE	MARKETING AUTHORISATION NUMBER(S)	BASIC NHS COSTS
700 mg prolonged-release suspension for injection in pre-filled syringe	1 dose	PLGB 00242/0727 EU/1/20/1453/007	£1,884.42
1000 mg release prolonged suspension injection for in pre-filled syringe	1 dose	PLGB 00242/0728 EU/1/20/1453/008	£2,355.54

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