



HEPCLUDEX®

Bulevirtid 2mg

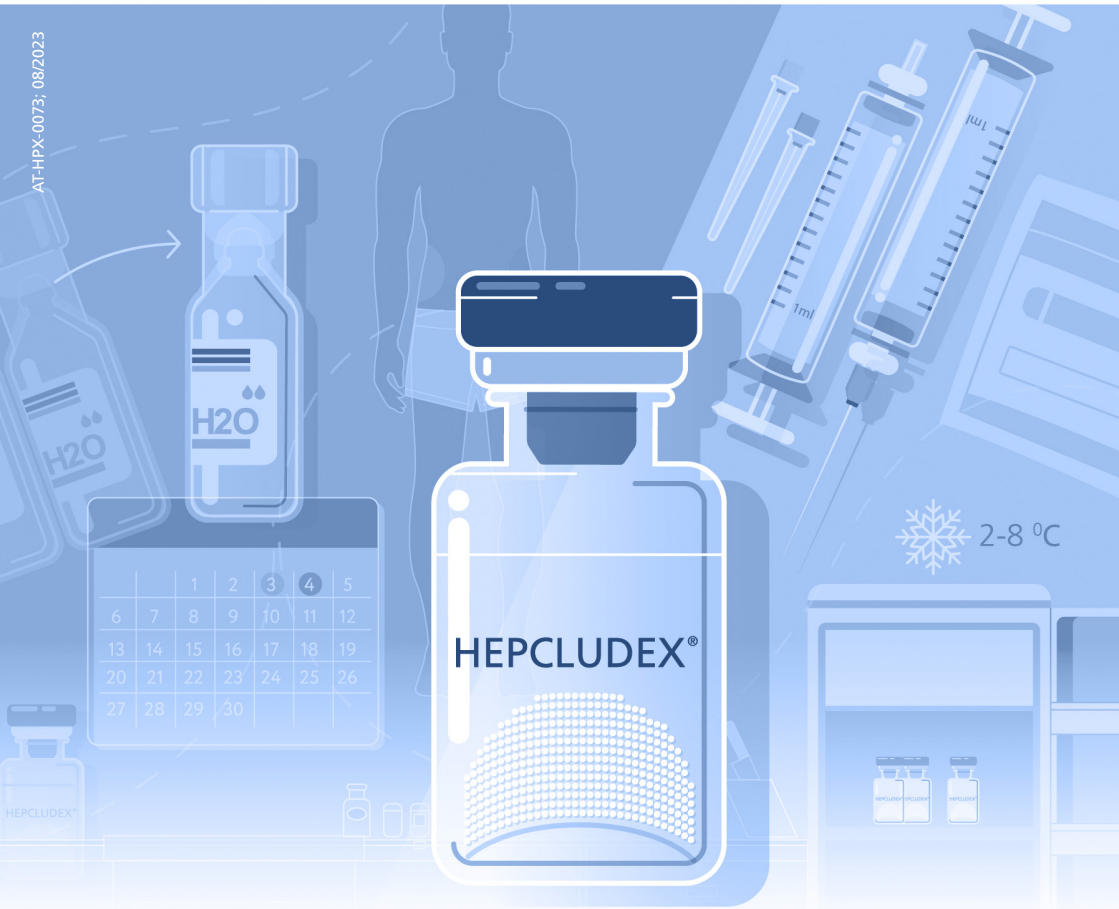
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Injection guide

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Step-by-step injection guide

This injection guide is intended for patients who have already been prescribed HEPCLUDEX®. It is not intended to replace the patient information leaflet, but is an additional material to help you inject the medicine safely every day. Please always read the patient information leaflet/package insert carefully.

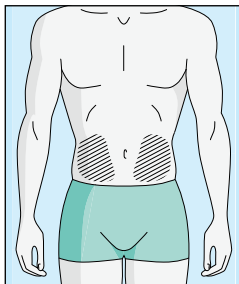
Before you begin treatment with this medicine at home, your doctor or nurse will show you how to prepare and inject HEPCLUDEX®. This guide shows how to inject the medicine yourself. Speak with your doctor or nurse if you are unclear about anything or you have questions or need more information or help. Take your time to carefully prepare and inject HEPCLUDEX®.

Injection sites

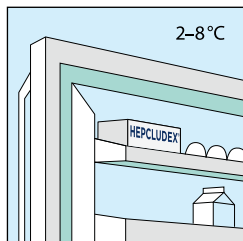
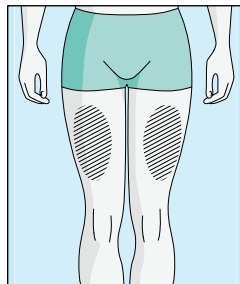
In order to reduce injection site reactions, you may change the site of HEPCLUDEX® injection regularly.

Do not inject HEPCLUDEX® into the following areas: knee, groin, the lower or inner buttocks, directly over a blood vessel, around the navel (belly button), on scar tissue, a bruise, a mole, a surgical scar, tattoo or burn site, or where there is an injection site reaction.

Abdomen

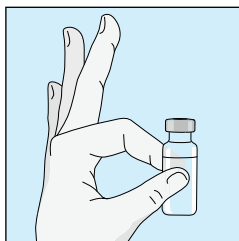


Upper thighs



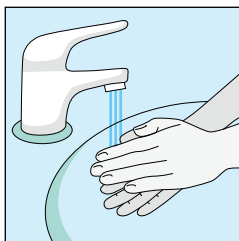
1A Storage

HEPCLUDEX® vials must be stored in the original packaging in the refrigerator (2–8 °C) in order to protect HEPCLUDEX® from light.



1B Preparing doses

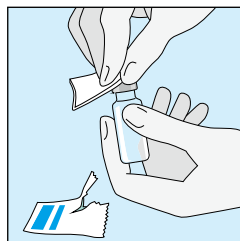
The following instructions are for dissolving a single dose.



1C Wash hands

Wash your hands well using soap and warm water and dry them with a clean towel.

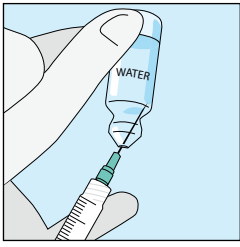
Once your hands are clean, **do not** touch anything else other than the medicine, supplies and the area around the injection site.



1D Clean vial

Wipe the vial top with a new alcohol pad and let the top air-dry.

If you touch the rubber top after cleaning it, clean it again with a new alcohol pad.



2A Draw up sterile water

Pick up the syringe. Put the longer needle on.

Important! Be sure the cap ped needle is tight by pushing it down slightly while twisting it clockwise.

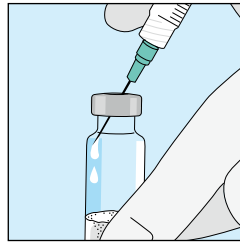
Pull off the plastic cap.

Open the sterile water for injection. Insert the needle in the vial and gently turn the water vial upside down.

Make sure the tip of the needle is always below the surface of the water to help keep air bubbles from entering the syringe.

Slowly pull the plunger back to get 1.0 ml of sterile water into the syringe.

Carefully remove the needle and syringe from the vial.

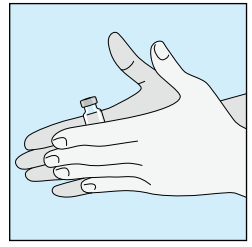


2B Inject sterile water into the powder

Gently tap the HEPCLUDEX® vial to loosen the powder.

Insert the needle with sterile water into the HEPCLUDEX® vial at an angle.

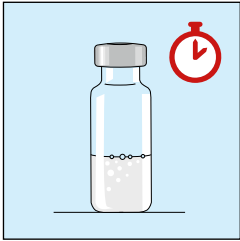
Inject the sterile water slowly, so it can drip down the side of the vial into the HEPCLUDEX® powder.



2C Gently mix HEPCLUDEX®

Gently tap the HEPCLUDEX® vial with your fingertip for 10 sec to start dissolving the powder. Then gently roll the HEPCLUDEX® vial between your hands to ensure thorough mixing. Make sure no HEPCLUDEX® powder is stuck to the vial wall.

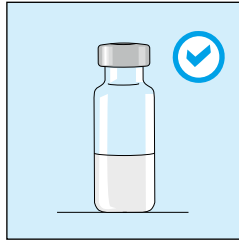
Important! Do not shake the HEPCLUDEX® vial. Shaking will make the medicine foam and it will take much longer to dissolve.



2D Inspect HEPCLUDEX®

Once the powder starts to dissolve, just set it aside and it will dissolve completely.

After tapping, it could take up to 3 min to dissolve.



2E HEPCLUDEX® ready for injection

When mixed completely, the HEPCLUDEX® solution should be clear.

Important! Completely dissolved HEPCLUDEX® should be clear and without foam. If the HEPCLUDEX® solution appears foamy or yellowish, allow more time for it to dissolve.

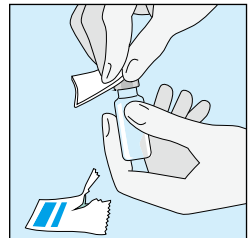
If you see bubbles, gently tap the vial until they disappear.

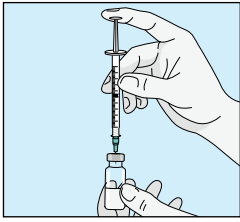
If you see any particles in the HEPCLUDEX® solution once it is (completely) dissolved, do not use that vial. Contact your doctor or pharmacist who provided it. Reconstituted bulevirtide must be used immediately.

2F Clean vial

Clean the HEPCLUDEX® vial top again, using a new alcohol pad.

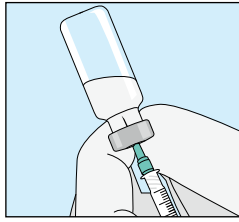
Allow it to air dry.





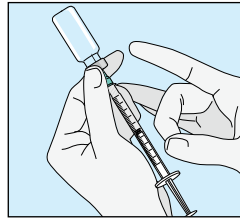
3A
Insert needle into vial

Pick up the syringe.
Insert the needle into the vial of liquid HEPCLUDEX®.



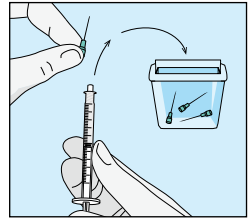
3B
Draw up HEPCLUDEX®

Gently turn the vial upside down. Make sure the tip of the needle is always below the surface of the HEPCLUDEX® solution to help keep air bubbles from entering the syringe.
Slowly pull the plunger to get 1.0 ml of HEPCLUDEX®.



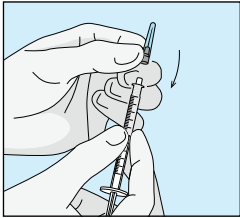
3C
Finishing preparation

Gently tap or flick the syringe and push/pull the plunger to remove extra air and bubbles.
To be sure you end up with 1.0 ml of HEPCLUDEX® in the syringe, you may need to pull the plunger past the 1.0 ml mark. Carefully remove the needle and syringe from the vial.



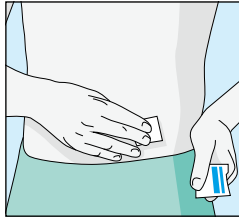
3D
Change and discard the needle

Remove the longer needle from the syringe and dispose of it properly into the included sharp container to avoid any injuries.
Important! Do not put the plastic cap back on the needle.



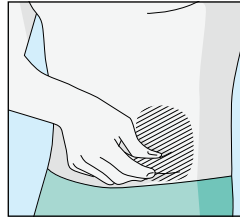
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Attach needle for injection

Place the shorter needle on the syringe.
Important! Be sure the capped needle is tight by pushing it down slightly while twisting it clockwise.
Pull off the plastic cap.



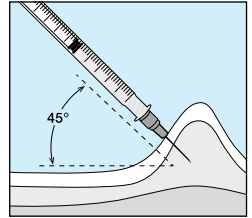
3F
Choose the injection site

Choose a site different from the one you used for your last injection. Clean the injection site with a new alcohol pad. Start in the center, apply pressure and clean in a circular motion, working outward.
Important! Allow site to air-dry.



3G
Prepare injection site

Pinch and hold a fold of skin around the injection site.



3H
Inject HEPCLUDEX®

Pierce the skin at a 45-degree angle. The needle should be inserted most of the way in.
Slowly push the plunger all the way to inject HEPCLUDEX®. Remove the needle from the skin.
Remove the needle from the syringe and dispose of both properly into the included sharp container to avoid any injuries (see 3D).