

CAMPTOSAR
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1 For Intravenous Use Only

2 **WARNINGS**

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4 CAMPTOSAR Injection should be administered only under the supervision of a physician who is
5 experienced in the use of cancer chemotherapeutic agents. Appropriate management of complications is
6 possible only when adequate diagnostic and treatment facilities are readily available.

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8 CAMPTOSAR can induce both early and late forms of diarrhea that appear to be mediated by
9 different mechanisms. Both forms of diarrhea may be severe. Early diarrhea (occurring during or
10 shortly after infusion of CAMPTOSAR) may be accompanied by cholinergic symptoms of rhinitis,
11 increased salivation, miosis, lacrimation, diaphoresis, flushing, and intestinal hyperperistalsis that can
12 cause abdominal cramping. Early diarrhea and other cholinergic symptoms may be prevented or
13 ameliorated by atropine (see PRECAUTIONS, General). Late diarrhea (generally occurring more than
14 24 hours after administration of CAMPTOSAR) can be prolonged, may lead to dehydration and
15 electrolyte imbalance, and can be life threatening. Late diarrhea should be treated promptly with
16 loperamide; patients with severe diarrhea should be carefully monitored and given fluid and electrolyte
17 replacement if they become dehydrated (see WARNINGS section). Administration of CAMPTOSAR
18 should be interrupted and subsequent doses reduced if severe diarrhea occurs (see DOSAGE AND
19 ADMINISTRATION).

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21 Severe myelosuppression may occur (see WARNINGS section).

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24 **DESCRIPTION**

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26 CAMPTOSAR Injection (irinotecan hydrochloride injection) is an antineoplastic agent of the
27 topoisomerase I inhibitor class. Irinotecan hydrochloride was clinically investigated as CPT-11.

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29 CAMPTOSAR is supplied as a sterile, pale yellow, clear, aqueous solution. It is available in two
30 single-dose sizes: 2 mL-fill vials contain 40 mg irinotecan hydrochloride and 5 mL-fill vials contain
31 100 mg irinotecan hydrochloride. Each milliliter of solution contains 20 mg of irinotecan hydrochloride
32 (on the basis of the trihydrate salt), 45 mg of sorbitol NF powder, and 0.9 mg of lactic acid, USP. The

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33 pH of the solution has been adjusted to 3.5 (range, 3.0 to 3.8) with sodium hydroxide or hydrochloric
34 acid. CAMPTOSAR is intended for dilution with 5% Dextrose Injection, USP (D5W), or 0.9%
35 Sodium Chloride Injection, USP, prior to intravenous infusion. The preferred diluent is 5% Dextrose
36 Injection, USP.

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38 Irinotecan hydrochloride is a semisynthetic derivative of camptothecin, an alkaloid extract from plants
39 such as *Camptotheca acuminata*. The chemical name is (4S)-4,11-diethyl-4-hydroxy-9-[(4-piperi-
40 dinopiperidino)carbonyloxy]-1H-pyrano[3',4':6,7]
41 indolizino[1,2-b]quinoline-3,14(4H,12H)dione hydrochloride trihydrate. Its structural formula is as
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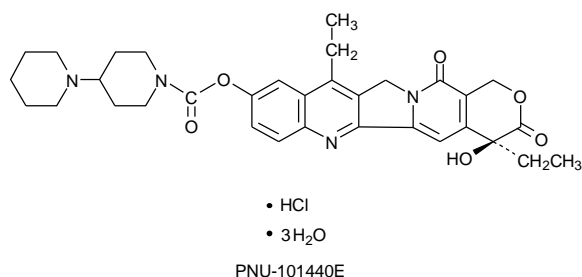
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49 Irinotecan hydrochloride is a pale yellow to yellow crystalline powder, with the empirical formula
50 C₃₃H₃₈N₄O₆•HCl•3H₂O and a molecular weight of 677.19. It is slightly soluble in water and organic
51 solvents.

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54 CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

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56 Irinotecan is a derivative of camptothecin. Camptothecins interact specifically with the enzyme
57 topoisomerase I which relieves torsional strain in DNA by inducing reversible single-strand breaks.

58 Irinotecan and its active metabolite SN-38 bind to the topoisomerase I-DNA complex and prevent
59 religation of these single-strand breaks. Current research suggests that the cytotoxicity of irinotecan is
60 due to double-strand DNA damage produced during DNA synthesis when replication enzymes interact
61 with the ternary complex formed by topoisomerase I, DNA, and either irinotecan or SN-38.

62 Mammalian cells cannot efficiently repair these double-strand breaks.

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64 Irinotecan serves as a water-soluble precursor of the lipophilic metabolite SN-38. SN-38 is formed
65 from irinotecan by carboxylesterase-mediated cleavage of the carbamate bond between the
66 camptothecin moiety and the dipiperidino side chain. SN-38 is approximately 1000 times as potent as
67 irinotecan as an inhibitor of topoisomerase I purified from human and rodent tumor cell lines. In vitro
68 cytotoxicity assays show that the potency of SN-38 relative to irinotecan varies from 2- to 2000-fold.
69 However, the plasma area under the concentration versus time curve (AUC) values for SN-38 are 2%
70 to 8% of irinotecan and SN-38 is 95% bound to plasma proteins compared to approximately 50%
71 bound to plasma proteins for irinotecan (see Pharmacokinetics). The precise contribution of SN-38 to
72 the activity of CAMPTOSAR is thus unknown. Both irinotecan and SN-38 exist in an active lactone
73 form and an inactive hydroxy acid anion form. A pH-dependent equilibrium exists between the two
74 forms such that an acid pH promotes the formation of the lactone, while a more basic pH favors the
75 hydroxy acid anion form.

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77 Administration of irinotecan has resulted in antitumor activity in mice bearing cancers of rodent origin
78 and in human carcinoma xenografts of various histological types.

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80 **Pharmacokinetics**

81 After intravenous infusion of irinotecan in humans, irinotecan plasma concentrations decline in a
82 multiexponential manner, with a mean terminal elimination half-life of about 6 to 12 hours. The mean
83 terminal elimination half-life of the active metabolite SN-38 is about 10 to 20 hours. The half-lives of
84 the lactone (active) forms of irinotecan and SN-38 are similar to those of total irinotecan and SN-38, as
85 the lactone and hydroxy acid forms are in equilibrium.

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87 Over the recommended dose range of 50 to 350 mg/m², the AUC of irinotecan increases linearly with
88 dose; the AUC of SN-38 increases less than proportionally with dose. Maximum concentrations of the
89 active metabolite SN-38 are generally seen within 1 hour following the end of a 90-minute infusion of
90 irinotecan. Pharmacokinetic parameters for irinotecan and SN-38 following a 90-minute infusion of
91 irinotecan at dose levels of 125 and 340 mg/m² determined in two clinical studies in patients with solid
92 tumors are summarized in Table 1.

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Table 1. SUMMARY OF MEAN (\pm STANDARD DEVIATION) IRINOTECAN AND SN-38 PHARMACOKINETIC PARAMETERS IN PATIENTS WITH SOLID TUMORS

Dose (mg/m ²)	Irinotecan					SN-38		
	C _{max} (ng/mL)	AUC ₀₋₂₄ (ng•h/mL)	t _{1/2} (h)	V _z (L/m ²)	CL (L/h/m ²)	C _{max} (ng/mL)	AUC ₀₋₂₄ (ng•h/mL)	t _{1/2} (h)
125 (N=64)	1,660 \pm 797	10,200 \pm 3,270	5.8 ^a \pm 0.7	110 \pm 48.5	13.3 \pm 6.01	26.3 \pm 11.9	229 \pm 108	10.4 ^a \pm 3.1
340 (N=6)	3,392 \pm 874	20,604 \pm 6,027	11.7 ^b \pm 1.0	234 \pm 69.6	13.9 \pm 4.00	56.0 \pm 28.2	474 \pm 245	21.0 ^b \pm 4.3

C_{max} - Maximum plasma concentration

AUC₀₋₂₄ - Area under the plasma concentration-time curve from time 0 to 24 hours after the end of the 90-minute infusion

t_{1/2} - Terminal elimination half-life

V_z - Volume of distribution of terminal elimination phase

CL - Total systemic clearance

^a Plasma specimens collected for 24 hours following the end of the 90-minute infusion.

^b Plasma specimens collected for 48 hours following the end of the 90-minute infusion. Because of the longer collection period, these values provide a more accurate reflection of the terminal elimination half-lives of irinotecan and SN-38.

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96 Irinotecan exhibits moderate plasma protein binding (30% to 68% bound). SN-38 is highly bound to
97 human plasma proteins (approximately 95% bound). The plasma protein to which irinotecan and
98 SN-38 predominantly binds is albumin.

99 *Metabolism and Excretion:* The metabolic conversion of irinotecan to the active metabolite SN-38 is
100 mediated by carboxylesterase enzymes and primarily occurs in the liver. SN-38 subsequently
101 undergoes conjugation to form a glucuronide metabolite. SN-38 glucuronide had 1/50 to 1/100 the
102 activity of SN-38 in cytotoxicity assays using two cell lines in vitro. The disposition of irinotecan has
103 not been fully elucidated in humans. The urinary excretion of irinotecan is 11% to 20%; SN-38, <1%;
104 and SN-38 glucuronide, 3%. The cumulative biliary and urinary excretion of irinotecan and its
105 metabolites (SN-38 and SN-38 glucuronide) over a period of 48 hours following administration of
106 irinotecan in two patients ranged from approximately 25% (100 mg/m²) to 50% (300 mg/m²).

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108 **Pharmacokinetics in Special Populations**

109 *Geriatric:* In studies using the weekly schedule, the terminal half-life of irinotecan was
110 6.0 hours in patients who were 65 years or older and 5.5 hours in patients younger than 65 years.
111 Dose-normalized AUC₀₋₂₄ for SN-38 in patients who were at least 65 years of age was 11% higher
112 than in patients younger than 65 years. No change in the starting dose is recommended for geriatric
113 patients receiving the weekly dosage schedule of irinotecan.

114 The pharmacokinetics of irinotecan given once every 3 weeks have not been studied in the geriatric
115 population; a lower starting dose is recommended in patients 70 years or older based on clinical
116 toxicity experience with this schedule (see DOSAGE and ADMINISTRATION).

117 *Pediatric:* Information regarding the pharmacokinetics of irinotecan is not available.

118 *Gender:* The pharmacokinetics of irinotecan do not appear to be influenced by gender.

119 *Race:* The influence of race on the pharmacokinetics of irinotecan has not been evaluated.

120 *Hepatic Insufficiency:* The influence of hepatic insufficiency on the pharmacokinetic characteristics of
121 irinotecan and its metabolites has not been formally studied. Among patients with known hepatic tumor
122 involvement (a majority of patients), irinotecan and SN-38 AUC values were somewhat higher than
123 values for patients without liver metastases. (See Precautions)

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125 *Renal Insufficiency:* The influence of renal insufficiency on the pharmacokinetics of irinotecan has not
126 been evaluated.

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128 **Drug-Drug Interactions**

129 Possible pharmacokinetic interactions of CAMPTOSAR with other concomitantly administered
130 medications have not been formally investigated.

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133 **CLINICAL STUDIES**

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135 Two dosage schedules have been studied in clinical trials of irinotecan (see DOSAGE and
136 ADMINISTRATION). In U.S. clinical trials, irinotecan was administered on a weekly dosage
137 schedule (125 mg/m²). In clinical trials conducted in Europe, the Middle East, and South Africa,
138 irinotecan was administered on a once-every-3-week dosage schedule (350 mg/m²). Clinical studies
139 using these two dosage schedules are described below.

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141 **Studies Evaluating the Weekly Dosage Schedule**

142 Data from three open-label, single-agent, single arm clinical studies, involving a total of 304 patients in
143 59 centers, support the use of CAMPTOSAR in the treatment of patients with metastatic cancer of the
144 colon or rectum that has recurred or progressed following treatment with fluorouracil (5-FU)-based
145 therapy. These studies were designed to evaluate tumor response rate and do not provide information
146 on actual clinical benefit, such as effects on survival and disease-related symptoms. In each study,
147 CAMPTOSAR was administered in repeated 6-week courses consisting of a 90-minute intravenous
148 infusion once weekly for 4 weeks, followed by a 2-week rest period. Starting doses of CAMPTOSAR
149 in these trials were 100, 125, or 150 mg/m², but the 150 mg/m² dose was poorly tolerated (due to
150 unacceptably high rates of grade 4 late diarrhea and febrile neutropenia). Study 1 enrolled 48 patients
151 and was conducted by a single investigator at several regional hospitals. Study 2 was a multicenter
152 study conducted by the North Central Cancer Treatment Group. All 90 patients enrolled in Study 2
153 received a starting dose of 125 mg/m². Study 3 was a multicenter study that enrolled 166 patients from
154 30 institutions. The initial dose in Study 3 was 125 mg/m² but was reduced to 100 mg/m² because the
155 toxicity seen at the 125 mg/m² dose was perceived to be greater than that seen in previous studies. All
156 patients in these studies had metastatic colorectal cancer, and the majority had disease that recurred or
157 progressed following a 5-FU-based regimen administered for metastatic disease.

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160 The results of the individual studies are shown in Table 2:

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Table 2. WEEKLY DOSAGE SCHEDULE: STUDY RESULTS

	Study			
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Number of Patients	48	90	64	102
Dose (mg/m ² /wk x 4)	125 ^a	125	125	100

Demographics and Treatment Administration

Female/Male (%)	46/54	36/64	50/50	51/49
Median Age in years (range)	63 (29-78)	63 (32-81)	61 (42-84)	64 (25-84)
Ethnic Origin (%)				
White	79	96	81	91
African American	12	4	11	5
Hispanic	8	0	8	2
Oriental/Asian	0	0	0	2
Performance Status (%)				
0	60	38	59	44
1	38	48	33	51
2	2	14	8	5
Primary Tumor (%)				
Colon	100	71	89	87
Rectum	0	29	11	8
Unknown	0	0	0	5
Prior 5-FU Therapy (%)				
For Metastatic Disease	81	66	73	68
≤ 6 months after Adjuvant	15	7	27	28
> 6 months after Adjuvant	2	16	0	2
Classification Unknown	2	12	0	3
Prior Pelvic/Abdominal Irradiation (%)				
Yes	3	29	0	0
Other	0	9	2	4
None	97	62	98	96
Duration of treatment with CAMPTOSAR (median, months)	5	4	4	3
Relative Dose Intensity ^b (median %)	74	67	73	81

Efficacy

Objective Response Rate (%) ^c (95% CI)	21 (9.3 - 32.3)	13 (6.3 - 20.4)	14 (5.5 - 22.6)	9 (3.3 - 14.3)
Time to Response (median, months)	2.6	1.5	2.8	2.8
Response Duration (median, months)	6.4	5.9	5.6	6.4
Survival (median, months)	10.4	8.1	10.7	9.3
1-Year Survival (%)	46	31	45	43

^a Nine patients received 150 mg/m² as a starting dose; two (22.2%) responded to CAMPTOSAR.

^b Relative dose intensity for CAMPTOSAR based on planned dose intensity of 100, 83.3, and 66.7 mg/m²/wk corresponding with 150, 125, and 100 mg/m² starting doses, respectively.

^c There were 2 complete responses and 38 partial responses.

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164 In the intent-to-treat analysis of the pooled data across all three studies, 193 of the 304 patients began
165 therapy at the recommended starting dose of 125 mg/m². Among these 193 patients, 2 complete and 27
166 partial responses were observed, for an overall response rate of 15.0% (95% Confidence Interval [CI],
167 10.0% to 20.1%) at this starting dose. A considerably lower response rate was seen with a starting

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168 dose of 100 mg/m². The majority of responses were observed within the first two courses of therapy,
169 but responses did occur in later courses of treatment (one response was observed after the eighth
170 course). The median response duration for patients beginning therapy at 125 mg/m² was 5.8 months
171 (range, 2.6 to 15.1 months).

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173 Of the 304 patients treated in the three studies, response rates to CAMPTOSAR were similar in males
174 and females and among patients older and younger than 65 years. Rates were also similar in patients
175 with cancer of the colon or cancer of the rectum and in patients with single and multiple metastatic
176 sites. The response rate was 18.5% in patients with a performance status of 0 and 8.2% in patients
177 with a performance status of 1 or 2. Patients with a performance status of 3 or 4 have not been studied.
178 Over half of the patients responding to CAMPTOSAR had not responded to prior 5-FU. Patients who
179 had received previous irradiation to the pelvis responded to CAMPTOSAR at approximately the same
180 rate as those who had not previously received irradiation.

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182 **Studies Evaluating the Once-Every-3-Week Dosage Schedule**

183 Single Arm Studies: Data from an open-label, single-agent, single arm, multicenter, clinical study
184 involving a total of 132 patients support a once every-3-week dosage schedule of irinotecan in the
185 treatment of patients with metastatic cancer of the colon or rectum that recurred or progressed
186 following treatment with 5-FU. Patients received a starting dose of 350 mg/m² given by 30-minute
187 intravenous infusion once every 3 weeks. Among the 132 previously treated patients in this trial, the
188 intent-to-treat response rate was 12.1% (95% CI, 7.0% to 18.1%).

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190 Randomized Trials: Two multicenter, randomized, clinical studies further support the use of irinotecan
191 given by the once-every-three-weeks dosage schedule in patients with metastatic colorectal cancer
192 whose disease has recurred or progressed following prior 5-FU therapy. In the first study, second-line
193 irinotecan therapy plus best supportive care was compared with best supportive care alone. In the
194 second study, second-line irinotecan therapy was compared with infusional 5-FU-based therapy. In
195 both studies, irinotecan was administered intravenously at a starting dose of 350 mg/m² over
196 90 minutes once every 3 weeks. The starting dose was 300 mg/m² for patients who were 70 years and
197 older or who had a World Health Organization (WHO) performance status of 2. The highest total dose
198 permitted was 700 mg. Dose reductions and/or administration delays were permitted in the event of
199 severe hematologic and/or nonhematologic toxicities while on treatment. Best supportive care was

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200 provided to patients in both arms of Study 1 and included antibiotics, analgesics, corticosteroids,
201 transfusions, psychotherapy, or any other symptomatic therapy as clinically indicated. Concomitant
202 medications such as antiemetics, atropine, and loperamide were given to patients in the irinotecan arm
203 for prophylaxis and/or management of symptoms from treatment. If late diarrhea persisted for greater
204 than 24 hours despite loperamide, a 7-day course of fluoroquinolone antibiotic prophylaxis was
205 given. Patients in the control arm of the second study received one of the following 5-FU regimens: (1)
206 Leucovorin, 200 mg/m² i.v. over 2 hours; followed by 5-FU, 400 mg/m² i.v. bolus; followed by 5-FU,
207 600 mg/m² continuous i.v. infusion over 22 hours on days 1 and 2 every 2 weeks; (2) 5-FU, 250 to
208 300 mg/m²/day protracted continuous i.v. infusion until toxicity; (3) 5-FU, 2.6 to 3 g/m² i.v. over
209 24 hours every week for 6 weeks with or without leucovorin, 20 to 500 mg/m²/day every wk i.v. for
210 6 weeks with 2-week rest between courses. Patients were to be followed every 3 to 6 weeks for 1 year.

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212 A total of 535 patients were randomized in the two studies at 94 centers in Europe, the Middle East,
213 and South Africa. The primary endpoint in both studies was survival. The studies demonstrated a
214 significant overall survival advantage for irinotecan compared with best supportive care (p=0.0001)
215 and infusional 5-FU-based therapy (p=0.035) as shown in Figures 1, 2 and Table 3. In Study 1,
216 median survival for patients treated with irinotecan was 9.2 months compared with 6.5 months for
217 patients receiving best supportive care. In Study 2, median survival for patients treated with irinotecan
218 was 10.8 months compared with 8.5 months for patients receiving infusional 5-FU-based therapy.
219 Multiple regression analyses determined that patients' baseline characteristics also had a significant
220 effect on survival. When adjusted for performance status and other baseline prognostic factors,
221 survival among patients treated with irinotecan remained significantly longer than in the control
222 populations. (p=0.001 for Study 1 and p=0.017 for Study 2). The overall results of the two phase 3
223 studies are shown in Table 3.

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225 Measurements of pain, performance status, and weight loss were collected prospectively in the two
226 studies; however, the plan for the analysis of these data was defined retrospectively. When comparing
227 irinotecan with best supportive care in study 1, this analysis showed a statistically significant
228 advantage for irinotecan, with longer time to development of pain (6.9 months versus 2.0 months), time
229 to performance status deterioration (5.7 months versus 3.3 months), and time to \geq 5% weight loss (6.4
230 months versus 4.2 months). Additionally, 33.3% (33/99) of patients with a baseline performance
231 status of 1 or 2 showed an improvement in performance status when treated with irinotecan versus

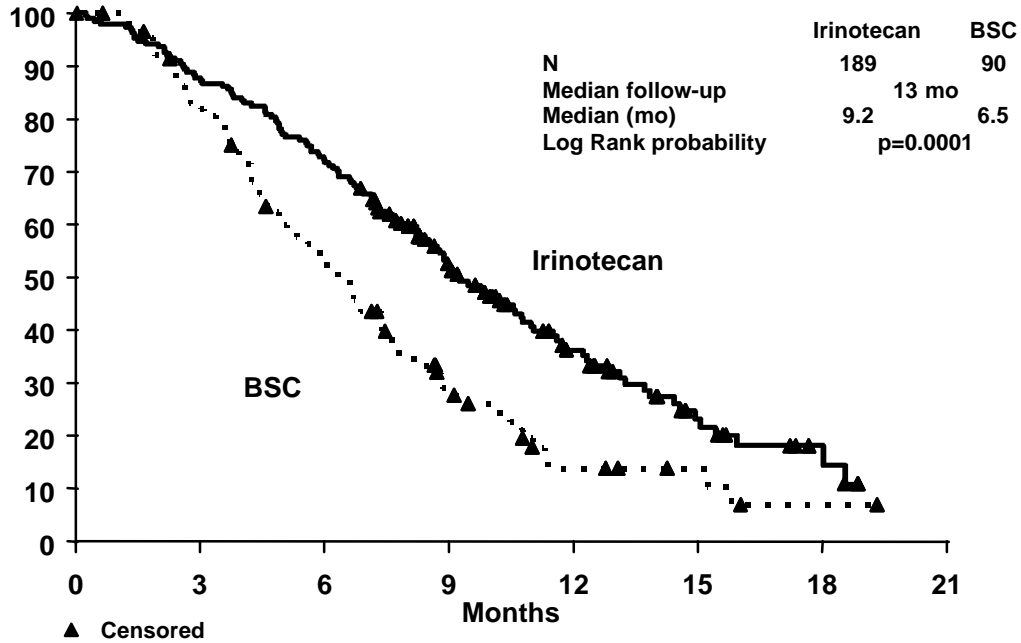
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232 11.3% (7/62) of patients receiving best supportive care (p=0.002). Because of the inclusion of patients
233 with non-measurable disease, intent-to-treat response rates could not be assessed.

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Figure 1. Survival in Phase 3 Trial of Second-Line Irinotecan versus Best Supportive Care (BSC) Study 1

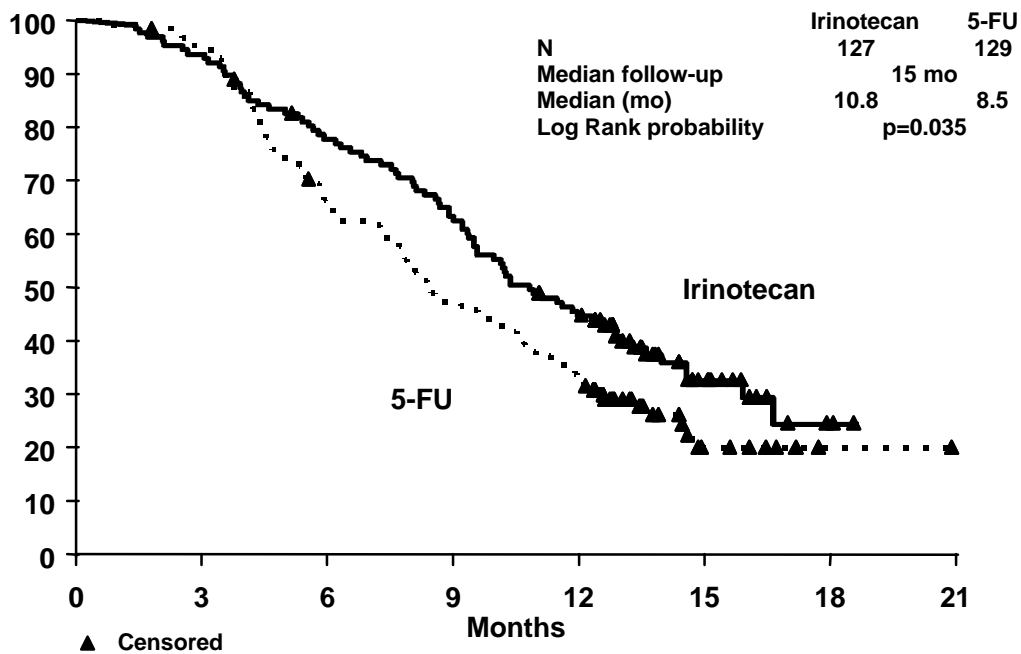


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Figure 2. Survival in Phase 3 Trial of Second-Line Irinotecan versus Infusional 5-FU Regimen Study 2



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Table 3. ONCE-EVERY-3-WEEK DOSAGE SCHEDULE: STUDY RESULTS

	Study 1		Study 2	
	Irinotecan	BSC ^a	Irinotecan	5-FU
Number of Patients	189	90	127	129
Demographics and Treatment Administration				
Female/Male (%)	32/68	42/58	43/57	35/65
Median Age in years (range)	59 (22-75)	62 (34-75)	58 (30-75)	58 (25-75)
Performance Status (PS)				
0 (%)	47	31	58	54
1 (%)	39	46	35	43
2 (%)	14	23	8	3
Primary Tumor (%)				
Colon	55	52	57	62
Rectum	45	48	43	38
Prior 5-FU Therapy (%)				
For Metastatic Disease	70	63	58	68
As Adjuvant Treatment	30	37	42	32
Prior Irradiation (%)	26	27	18	20
Duration of Study Treatment (median, months) (Log-Rank Test)	4.1	--	4.2 (p=0.02)	2.8
Relative Dose Intensity (median %) ^b	94	--	95	81-99
Survival				
Survival (median, months) (Log-Rank Test)	9.2 (p=0.0001)	6.5	10.8 (p=0.035)	8.5

^a BSC = Best Supportive Care

^bRelative dose intensity for irinotecan based on planned dose intensity of 116.7 and 100 mg/m²/wk corresponding with 350 and 300 mg/m² starting doses, respectively.

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249 In the two randomized studies, the European Organization of Research and Treatment of Cancer
250 Quality of Life Questionnaire (EORTC QLQ-C30) instrument was utilized. At each visit, patients
251 completed a questionnaire consisting of 30 questions, such as “Did pain interfere with daily activities?”
252 (1 = Not at All, to 4= Very Much and “Do you have any trouble taking a long walk?” (Yes or No). The
253 answers from the 30 questions were converted into 15 subscales, that were scored from 0 to 100. The
254 global health status subscale was derived from two questions about the patient’s sense of general well
255 being in the past week. The results as summarized in Table 4 are based on patients’ worst post-baseline
256 scores.

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258 In Study 1, a multivariate analysis and univariate analyses of the individual subscales were performed
259 and corrected for multivariate testing. Patients receiving irinotecan reported significantly better results
260 for the global health status, on two of five functional subscales, and on four of nine symptom
261 subscales. As expected, patients receiving irinotecan noted significantly more diarrhea than those

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262 receiving best supportive care. In Study 2, the multivariate analysis on all 15 subscales did not indicate
263 a statistically significant difference between irinotecan and infusional 5-FU.

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265 Table 4. EORTC QLQ-C30: Mean Worst Post-Baseline Score^a

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QLQ-C30 Subscale	Study 1			Study 2		
	Irinotecan	BSC	p-value	Irinotecan	5-FU	p-value
Global Health Status	47	37	0.03	53	52	0.9
Functional Scales						
<i>Cognitive</i>	77	68	0.07	79	83	0.9
<i>Emotional</i>	68	64	0.4	64	68	0.9
<i>Social</i>	58	47	0.06	65	67	0.9
<i>Physical</i>	60	40	0.0003	66	66	0.9
<i>Role</i>	53	35	0.02	54	57	0.9
Symptom Scales						
<i>Fatigue</i>	51	63	0.03	47	46	0.9
<i>Appetite Loss</i>	37	57	0.0007	35	38	0.9
<i>Pain Assessment</i>	41	56	0.009	38	34	0.9
<i>Insomnia</i>	39	47	0.3	39	33	0.9
<i>Constipation</i>	28	41	0.03	25	191	0.9
<i>Dyspnea</i>	31	40	0.2	25	24	0.9
<i>Nausea/Vomiting</i>	27	29	0.5	25	16	0.09
<i>Financial Impact</i>	22	26	0.5	24	15	0.3
<i>Diarrhea</i>	32	19	0.01	32	22	0.2

267 ^aFor the five functional subscales and global health status subscales, higher scores imply better functioning,
268 whereas, on the nine symptom subscales, higher scores imply more severe symptoms. The subscale scores of
269 each patient were collected at each visit until the patient dropped out of the study.

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272 **INDICATIONS AND USAGE**

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274 CAMPTOSAR Injection is indicated for the treatment of patients with metastatic carcinoma of the
275 colon or rectum whose disease has recurred or progressed following 5-FU-based therapy.

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278 **CONTRAINDICATIONS**

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280 CAMPTOSAR is contraindicated in patients with a known hypersensitivity to the drug.

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283 **WARNINGS**

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285 **Diarrhea**

286 CAMPTOSAR Injection can induce both early and late forms of diarrhea that appear to be mediated
287 by different mechanisms. Early diarrhea (occurring during or shortly after infusion of CAMPTOSAR)
288 is cholinergic in nature. It is usually transient and only infrequently is severe. It may be accompanied
289 by symptoms of rhinitis, increased salivation, miosis, lacrimation, diaphoresis, flushing, and intestinal
290 hyperperistalsis that can cause abdominal cramping. Early diarrhea and other cholinergic symptoms
291 may be prevented or ameliorated by administration of atropine (see PRECAUTIONS, General, for
292 dosing recommendations for atropine).

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294 Late diarrhea (generally occurring more than 24 hours after administration of CAMPTOSAR) can be
295 prolonged, may lead to dehydration and electrolyte imbalance, and can be life threatening. Late
296 diarrhea should be treated promptly with loperamide (see PRECAUTIONS, Information for Patients,
297 for dosing recommendations for loperamide). Patients with severe diarrhea should be carefully
298 monitored and given fluid and electrolyte replacement if they become dehydrated. National Cancer
299 Institute (NCI) grade 3 diarrhea is defined as an increase of 7 to 9 stools daily, or incontinence, or
300 severe cramping and NCI grade 4 diarrhea is defined as an increase of ≥ 10 stools daily, or grossly
301 bloody stool, or need for parenteral support. If grade 3 or 4 late diarrhea occurs, administration of
302 CAMPTOSAR should be delayed until the patient recovers and subsequent doses should be decreased
303 (see DOSAGE and ADMINISTRATION).

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305 **Myelosuppression**

306 Deaths due to sepsis following severe myelosuppression have been reported in patients treated with
307 CAMPTOSAR. Therapy with CAMPTOSAR should be temporarily omitted if neutropenic fever
308 occurs or if the absolute neutrophil count drops below $1000/\text{mm}^3$. After the patient recovers to an
309 absolute neutrophil count $> 1500/\text{mm}^3$, subsequent doses of CAMPTOSAR should be reduced
310 depending upon the level of myelosuppression observed (see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION).
311 Routine administration of a colony-stimulating factor (CSF) is not necessary, but physicians may wish
312 to consider CSF use in individual patients experiencing significant neutropenia.

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314 **Pregnancy**

315 CAMPTOSAR may cause fetal harm when administered to a pregnant woman. Radioactivity related to
316 ¹⁴C-irinotecan crosses the placenta of rats following intravenous administration of 10 mg/kg (which in
317 separate studies produced an irinotecan C_{max} and AUC about 3 and 0.5 times, respectively, the
318 corresponding values in patients administered 125 mg/m²). Administration of 6 mg/kg/day intravenous
319 irinotecan to rats (which in separate studies produced an irinotecan C_{max} and AUC about 2 and 0.2
320 times, respectively, the corresponding values in patients administered 125 mg/m²) and rabbits (about
321 one-half the recommended human weekly starting dose on a mg/m² basis) during the period of
322 organogenesis, is embryotoxic as characterized by increased post-implantation loss and decreased
323 numbers of live fetuses. Irinotecan was teratogenic in rats at doses greater than 1.2 mg/kg/day (which
324 in separate studies produced an irinotecan C_{max} and AUC about 2/3 and 1/40th, respectively, of the
325 corresponding values in patients administered 125 mg/m²) and in rabbits at 6.0 mg/kg/day (about one
326 half the recommended human weekly starting dose on a mg/m² basis). Teratogenic effects included a
327 variety of external, visceral, and skeletal abnormalities. Irinotecan administered to rat dams for the
328 period following organogenesis through weaning at doses of 6 mg/kg/day caused decreased learning
329 ability and decreased female body weights in the offspring. There are no adequate and well-controlled
330 studies of irinotecan in pregnant women. If the drug is used during pregnancy, or if the patient becomes
331 pregnant while receiving this drug, the patient should be apprised of the potential hazard to the fetus.
332 Women of childbearing potential should be advised to avoid becoming pregnant while receiving
333 treatment with CAMPTOSAR.

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336 **PRECAUTIONS**

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338 **General**

339 *Care of Intravenous Site:* CAMPTOSAR is administered by intravenous infusion. Care should be
340 taken to avoid extravasation, and the infusion site should be monitored for signs of inflammation.
341 Should extravasation occur, flushing the site with sterile water and applications of ice are
342 recommended.

343 *Premedication with Antiemetics:* Irinotecan is emetogenic. It is recommended that patients receive
344 premedication with antiemetic agents. In clinical studies of the weekly dosage schedule, the majority of
345 patients received 10 mg of dexamethasone given in conjunction with another type of antiemetic agent,

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346 such as a 5-HT³ blocker (e.g., ondansetron or granisetron). Antiemetic agents should be given on the
347 day of treatment, starting at least 30 minutes before administration of CAMPTOSAR. Physicians
348 should also consider providing patients with an antiemetic regimen (e.g., prochlorperazine) for
349 subsequent use as needed.

350 *Treatment of Cholinergic Symptoms:* Prophylactic or therapeutic administration of 0.25 to 1 mg of
351 intravenous or subcutaneous atropine should be considered (unless clinically contraindicated) in
352 patients experiencing rhinitis, increased salivation, miosis, lacrimation, diaphoresis, flushing,
353 abdominal cramping, or diarrhea (occurring during or shortly after infusion of CAMPTOSAR). These
354 symptoms are expected to occur more frequently with higher irinotecan doses.

355 *Patients at Particular Risk:* Physicians should exercise particular caution in monitoring the effects of
356 CAMPTOSAR in the elderly (≥65 years) and in patients who had previously received pelvic/abdominal
357 irradiation (see ADVERSE REACTIONS).

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359 The use of CAMPTOSAR in patients with significant hepatic dysfunction has not been established. In
360 clinical trials of either dosing schedule, irinotecan was not administered to patients with serum bilirubin
361 >2.0 mg/dL, or transaminase >3 times the upper limit of normal if no liver metastasis, or transaminase
362 >5 times the upper limit of normal with liver metastasis.

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364 However in clinical trials of the weekly dosage schedule, it has been noted that patients with modestly
365 elevated baseline serum total bilirubin levels (1.0 to 2.0 mg/dL) have had a significantly greater
366 likelihood of experiencing first-course grade 3 or 4 neutropenia than those with bilirubin levels that
367 were less than 1.0 mg/dL (50.0% [19/38] versus 17.7% [47/226]; p<0.001). Patients with abnormal
368 glucuronidation of bilirubin, such as those with Gilbert's syndrome, may also be at greater risk of
369 myelosuppression when receiving therapy with CAMPTOSAR. An association between baseline
370 bilirubin elevations and an increased risk of late diarrhea has not been observed in studies of the weekly
371 dosage schedule.

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373 **Information for Patients**

374 Patients and patients' caregivers should be informed of the expected toxic effects of CAMPTOSAR,
375 particularly of its gastrointestinal manifestations, such as nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea. Each patient
376 should be instructed to have loperamide readily available and to begin treatment for late diarrhea
377 (generally occurring more than 24 hours after administration of CAMPTOSAR) at the first episode of

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378 poorly formed or loose stools or the earliest onset of bowel movements more frequent than normally
379 expected for the patient. One dosage regimen for loperamide used in clinical trials consisted of the
380 following (Note: This dosage regimen exceeds the usual dosage recommendations for loperamide.): 4
381 mg at the first onset of late diarrhea and then 2 mg every 2 hours until the patient is diarrhea-free for at
382 least 12 hours. During the night, the patient may take 4 mg of loperamide every 4 hours. The patient
383 should also be instructed to notify the physician if diarrhea occurs. Premedication with loperamide is
384 not recommended.

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386 The use of drugs with laxative properties should be avoided because of the potential for exacerbation
387 of diarrhea. Patients should be advised to contact their physician to discuss any laxative use.

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389 Patients should consult their physician if vomiting occurs, fever or evidence of infection develops, or if
390 symptoms of dehydration, such as fainting, light-headedness, or dizziness, are noted following therapy
391 with CAMPTOSAR.

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393 Patients should be alerted to the possibility of alopecia.

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395 **Laboratory Tests**

396 Careful monitoring of the white blood cell count with differential, hemoglobin, and platelet count is
397 recommended before each dose of CAMPTOSAR.

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399 **Drug Interactions**

400 The adverse effects of CAMPTOSAR, such as myelosuppression and diarrhea, would be expected to
401 be exacerbated by other antineoplastic agents having similar adverse effects.

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403 Patients who have previously received pelvic/abdominal irradiation are at increased risk of severe
404 myelosuppression following the administration of CAMPTOSAR. The concurrent administration of
405 CAMPTOSAR with irradiation has not been adequately studied and is not recommended.

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407 Lymphocytopenia has been reported in patients receiving CAMPTOSAR, and it is possible that the
408 administration of dexamethasone as antiemetic prophylaxis may have enhanced the likelihood of this

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409 effect. However, serious opportunistic infections have not been observed, and no complications have
410 specifically been attributed to lymphocytopenia.

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412 Hyperglycemia has also been reported in patients receiving CAMPTOSAR. Usually, this has been
413 observed in patients with a history of diabetes mellitus or evidence of glucose intolerance prior to
414 administration of CAMPTOSAR. It is probable that dexamethasone, given as antiemetic prophylaxis,
415 contributed to hyperglycemia in some patients.

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417 The incidence of akathisia in clinical trials of the weekly dosage schedule was greater (8.5%, 4/47
418 patients) when prochlorperazine was administered on the same day as CAMPTOSAR than when these
419 drugs were given on separate days (1.3%, 1/80 patients). The 8.5% incidence of akathisia, however, is
420 within the range reported for use of prochlorperazine when given as a premedication for other
421 chemotherapies.

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423 It would be expected that laxative use during therapy with CAMPTOSAR would worsen the incidence
424 or severity of diarrhea, but this has not been studied.

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426 In view of the potential risk of dehydration secondary to vomiting and/or diarrhea induced by
427 CAMPTOSAR, the physician may wish to withhold diuretics during dosing with CAMPTOSAR and,
428 certainly, during periods of active vomiting or diarrhea.

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430 **Drug-Laboratory Test Interactions**

431 There are no known interactions between CAMPTOSAR and laboratory tests.

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433 **Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis & Impairment of Fertility**

434 Long-term carcinogenicity studies with irinotecan were not conducted. Rats were, however,
435 administered intravenous doses of 2 mg/kg or 25 mg/kg irinotecan once per week for 13 weeks (in
436 separate studies, the 25 mg/kg dose produced an irinotecan C_{max} and AUC that were about 7.0 times
437 and 1.3 times the respective values in patients administered 125 mg/m² weekly) and were then allowed
438 to recover for 91 weeks. Under these conditions, there was a significant linear trend with dose for the
439 incidence of combined uterine horn endometrial stromal polyps and endometrial stromal sarcomas.
440 Neither irinotecan nor SN-38 was mutagenic in the in vitro Ames assay. Irinotecan was clastogenic

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441 both in vitro (chromosome aberrations in Chinese hamster ovary cells) and in vivo (micronucleus test in
442 mice). No significant adverse effects on fertility and general reproductive performance were observed
443 after intravenous administration of irinotecan in doses of up to 6 mg/kg/day to rats and rabbits.
444 However, atrophy of male reproductive organs was observed after multiple daily irinotecan doses both
445 in rodents at 20 mg/kg (which in separate studies produced an irinotecan C_{max} and AUC about 5 and 1
446 times, respectively, the corresponding values in patients administered 125 mg/m² weekly) and dogs at
447 0.4 mg/kg (which in separate studies produced an irinotecan C_{max} and AUC about one-half and 1/15th,
448 respectively, the corresponding values in patients administered 125 mg/m² weekly).

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450 **Pregnancy**

451 Pregnancy Category D—see WARNINGS.

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453 **Nursing Mothers**

454 Radioactivity appeared in rat milk within 5 minutes of intravenous administration of radiolabeled
455 irinotecan and was concentrated up to 65-fold at 4 hours after administration relative to plasma
456 concentrations. Because many drugs are excreted in human milk and because of the potential for
457 serious adverse reactions in nursing infants, it is recommended that nursing be discontinued when
458 receiving therapy with CAMPTOSAR.

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460 **Pediatric Use**

461 The safety and effectiveness of CAMPTOSAR in pediatric patients have not been established.

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464 **ADVERSE REACTIONS**

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466 **Weekly Dosage Schedule**

467 In three clinical studies evaluating the weekly dosage schedule, 304 patients with metastatic carcinoma
468 of the colon or rectum that had recurred or progressed following 5-FU-based therapy were treated with
469 CAMPTOSAR. Seventeen of the patients died within 30 days of the administration of CAMPTOSAR;
470 in five cases (1.6%, 5/304), the deaths were potentially drug-related. These five patients experienced a
471 constellation of medical events that included known effects of CAMPTOSAR. One of these patients
472 died of neutropenic sepsis without fever. Neutropenic fever, defined as NCI grade 4 neutropenia and

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473 grade 2 or greater fever, occurred in nine (3.0%) other patients; these patients recovered with
474 supportive care.

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476 One hundred nineteen (39.1%) of the 304 patients were hospitalized a total of 156 times because of
477 adverse events; 81 (26.6%) patients were hospitalized for events judged to be related to administration
478 of CAMPTOSAR. The primary reasons for drug-related hospitalization were diarrhea, with or without
479 nausea and/or vomiting (18.4%); neutropenia/leukopenia, with or without diarrhea and/or fever (8.2%);
480 and nausea and/or vomiting (4.9%).

481

482 Adjustments in the dose of CAMPTOSAR were made during the course of treatment and for
483 subsequent courses based on individual patient tolerance. The first dose of at least one course of
484 CAMPTOSAR was reduced for 67% of patients who began the studies at the 125 mg/m² starting dose.
485 Within-course dose reductions were required for 32% of the courses initiated at the 125 mg/m² dose
486 level. The most common reasons for dose reduction were late diarrhea, neutropenia, and leukopenia.

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488 Thirteen (4.3%) patients discontinued treatment with CAMPTOSAR because of adverse events. The
489 adverse events in Table 4 are based on the experience of the 304 patients enrolled in the three studies
490 described in the CLINICAL STUDIES, Studies Evaluating the Weekly Dosage Schedule, section.

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Table 5. Adverse Events Occurring in >10% of 304 Previously Treated Patients with Metastatic Carcinoma of the Colon or Rectum

Body System & Event	% of Patients Reporting	
	NCI Grades 1-4	NCI Grades 3 & 4
GASTROINTESTINAL		
Diarrhea (late) ^a	88	31
7-9 stools/day (grade 3)	--	(16)
?10 stools/day (grade 4)	--	(14)
Nausea	86	17
Vomiting	67	12
Anorexia	55	6
Diarrhea (early) ^b	51	8
Constipation	30	2
Flatulence	12	0
Stomatitis	12	1
Dyspepsia	10	0
HEMATOLOGIC		
Leukopenia	63	28
Anemia	60	7
Neutropenia	54	26
500 to <1000/mm ³ (grade 3)	--	(15)
<500/mm ³ (grade 4)	--	(12)
BODY AS A WHOLE		
Asthenia	76	12
Abdominal cramping/pain	57	16
Fever	45	1
Pain	24	2
Headache	17	1
Back pain	14	2
Chills	14	0
Minor Infection ^c	14	0
Edema	10	1
Abdominal Enlargement	10	0
METABOLIC & NUTRITIONAL		
?Body weight	30	1
Dehydration	15	4
?Alkaline phosphatase	13	4
?SGOT	10	1
DERMATOLOGIC		
Alopecia	60	NA ^d
Sweating	16	0
Rash	13	1
RESPIRATORY		
Dyspnea	22	4
?Coughing	17	0
Rhinitis	16	0
NEUROLOGIC		
Insomnia	19	0
Dizziness	15	0
CARDIOVASCULAR		
Vasodilation (Flushing)	11	0

^a Occurring >24 hours after administration of CAMPTOSAR.

^b Occurring ?24 hours after administration of CAMPTOSAR.

^c Primarily upper respiratory infections.

^d Not applicable; complete hair loss = NCI grade 2.

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493 **Once-Every-3-Week Dosage Schedule**

494 A total of 535 patients with metastatic colorectal cancer whose disease had progressed following prior

495 5-FU therapy participated in the two phase 3 studies: 316 received irinotecan, 129 received 5-FU, and

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496 90 received best supportive care. Eleven (3.5%) patients treated with irinotecan died within 30 days of
497 treatment. In three cases (1%, 3/316), the deaths were potentially related to irinotecan treatment and
498 were attributed to neutropenic infection, grade 4 diarrhea, and asthenia, respectively. One (0.8%,
499 1/129) patient treated with 5-FU died within 30 days of treatment; this death was attributed to grade 4
500 diarrhea.

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502 Hospitalizations due to serious adverse events (whether or not related to study treatment) occurred at
503 least once in 60% (188/316) of patients who received irinotecan, 63% (57/90) who received best
504 supportive care, and 39% (50/129) who received 5-FU-based therapy. Eight percent (25/316) of
505 patients treated with irinotecan and 7% (9/129) treated with 5-FU-based therapy discontinued
506 treatment due to adverse events.

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508 Of the 316 patients treated with irinotecan, the most clinically significant adverse events (all grades, 1-
509 4) were diarrhea (84%), alopecia (72%), nausea (70%), vomiting (62%), cholinergic symptoms (47%),
510 and neutropenia (30%). Table 5 lists the grade 3 and 4 adverse events reported in the patients enrolled
511 to all treatment arms of the two studies described in the CLINICAL STUDIES, Studies Evaluating the
512 Once-Every-3-Week Dosage Schedule, section.

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Table 6. PERCENT OF PATIENTS EXPERIENCING GRADE 3 & 4 ADVERSE EVENTS IN COMPARATIVE STUDIES OF ONCE-EVERY-3-WEEK IRINOTECAN THERAPY

Adverse Event	Study 1		Study 2	
	Irinotecan n=189	BSC ^a n=90	Irinotecan n=127	5-FU n=129
TOTAL Grade 3/4 Adverse Events	79	67	69	54
GASTROINTESTINAL				
Diarrhea	22	6	22	11
Vomiting	14	8	14	5
Nausea	14	3	11	4
Abdominal pain	14	16	9	8
Constipation	10	8	8	6
Anorexia	5	7	6	4
Mucositis	2	1	2	5
HEMATOLOGIC				
Leukopenia/Neutropenia	22	0	14	2
Anemia	7	6	6	3
Hemorrhage	5	3	1	3
Thrombocytopenia	1	0	4	2
Infection				
without grade 3/4 neutropenia	8	3	1	4
with grade 3/4 neutropenia	1	0	2	0
Fever				
without grade 3/4 neutropenia	2	1	2	0
with grade 3/4 neutropenia	2	0	4	2
BODY AS A WHOLE				
Pain	19	22	17	13
Asthenia	15	19	13	12
METABOLIC & NUTRITIONAL				
Hepatic ^b	9	7	9	6
DERMATOLOGIC				
Hand & foot syndrome	0	0	0	5
Cutaneous signs ^c	2	0	1	3
RESPIRATORY^d	10	8	5	7
NEUROLOGIC^e	12	13	9	4
CARDIOVASCULAR^f	9	3	4	2
OTHER^g	32	28	12	14

^a BSC = best supportive care

^b Hepatic includes events such as ascites and jaundice

^c Cutaneous signs include events such as rash

^d Respiratory includes events such as dyspnea and cough

^e Neurologic includes events such as somnolence

^f Cardiovascular includes events such as dysrhythmias, ischemia, and mechanical cardiac dysfunction

^g Other includes events such as accidental injury, hepatomegaly, syncope, vertigo, and weight loss

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519 Overview of Adverse Events

520 *Gastrointestinal:* Nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea are common adverse events following treatment with
521 CAMPTOSAR and can be severe. When observed, nausea and vomiting usually occur during or
522 shortly after infusion of CAMPTOSAR. In the clinical studies testing the every 3-week-dosage
523 schedule, the median time to the onset of late diarrhea was 5 days after irinotecan infusion. In the

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524 clinical studies evaluating the weekly dosage schedule, the median time to onset of late diarrhea was 11
525 days following administration of CAMPTOSAR. For patients starting treatment at the 125 mg/m²
526 weekly dose, the median duration of any grade of late diarrhea was 3 days. Among those patients
527 treated at the 125 mg/m² weekly dose who experienced grade 3 or 4 late diarrhea, the median duration
528 of the entire episode of diarrhea was 7 days. The frequency of grade 3 or 4 late diarrhea was somewhat
529 greater in patients starting treatment at 125 mg/m² than in patients given a 100 mg/m² weekly starting
530 dose (34% [65/193] versus 23% [24/102]; p=0.08). The frequency of grade 3 and 4 late diarrhea by
531 age was significantly greater in patients ≥65 years than in patients <65 years (40% [53/133] versus
532 23% [40/171]; p = 0.002). In one study of the weekly dosage treatment, the frequency of grade 3 and 4
533 late diarrhea was significantly greater in male than in female patients (43% [25/58] versus 16% [5/32];
534 p = 0.01), but there were no gender differences in the frequency of grade 3 and 4 late diarrhea in the
535 other two studies of the weekly dosage treatment schedule. Colonic ulceration, sometimes with
536 gastrointestinal bleeding, has been observed in association with administration of CAMPTOSAR.

537 *Hematology:* CAMPTOSAR commonly causes neutropenia, leukopenia (including lymphocytopenia),
538 and anemia. Serious thrombocytopenia is uncommon. When evaluated in the trials of weekly
539 administration, the frequency of grade 3 and 4 neutropenia was significantly higher in patients who
540 received previous pelvic/abdominal irradiation than in those who had not received such irradiation
541 (48% [13/27] versus 24% [67/277]; p = 0.04). In these same studies, patients with baseline serum
542 total bilirubin levels of 1.0 mg/dL or more also had a significantly greater likelihood of experiencing
543 first-course grade 3 or 4 neutropenia than those with bilirubin levels that were less than 1.0 mg/dL
544 (50% [19/38] versus 18% [47/266]; p<0.001). There were no significant differences in the frequency
545 of grade 3 and 4 neutropenia by age or gender. In the clinical studies evaluating the weekly dosage
546 schedule, neutropenic fever (concurrent NCI grade 4 neutropenia and fever of grade 2 or greater)
547 occurred in 3% of the patients; 6% of patients received G-CSF for the treatment of neutropenia. NCI
548 grade 3 or 4 anemia was noted in 7% of the patients receiving weekly treatment; blood transfusions
549 were given to 10% of the patients in these trials.

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551 *Body as a Whole:* Asthenia, fever, and abdominal pain are generally the most common events of this
552 type.

553 *Cholinergic Symptoms:* Patients may have cholinergic symptoms of rhinitis, increased salivation,
554 miosis, lacrimation, diaphoresis, flushing, and intestinal hyperperistalsis that can cause abdominal
555 cramping and early diarrhea. If these symptoms occur, they manifest during or shortly after drug

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556 infusion. They are thought to be related to the anticholinesterase activity of the irinotecan parent
557 compound and are expected to occur more frequently with higher irinotecan doses.

558 *Hepatic:* In the clinical studies evaluating the weekly dosage schedule, NCI grade 3 or 4 liver enzyme
559 abnormalities were observed in fewer than 10% of patients. These events typically occur in patients
560 with known hepatic metastases.

561 *Dermatologic:* Alopecia has been reported during treatment with CAMPTOSAR. Rashes have also
562 been reported but did not result in discontinuation of treatment.

563 *Respiratory:* Severe pulmonary events are infrequent. In the clinical studies evaluating the weekly
564 dosage schedule, NCI grade 3 or 4 dyspnea was reported in 4% of patients. Over half the patients with
565 dyspnea had lung metastases; the extent to which malignant pulmonary involvement or other
566 preexisting lung disease may have contributed to dyspnea in these patients is unknown.

567 *Neurologic:* Insomnia and dizziness can occur, but are not usually considered to be directly related to
568 the administration of CAMPTOSAR. Dizziness may sometimes represent symptomatic evidence of
569 orthostatic hypotension in patients with dehydration.

570 *Cardiovascular:* Vasodilation (flushing) may occur during administration of CAMPTOSAR.
571 Bradycardia may also occur, but has not required intervention. These effects have been attributed to
572 the cholinergic syndrome sometimes observed during or shortly after infusion of CAMPTOSAR.

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574 **Other Non-U.S. Clinical Trials**

575 Irinotecan has been studied in over 1100 patients in Japan. Patients in these studies had a variety of
576 tumor types, including cancer of the colon or rectum, and were treated with several different doses and
577 schedules. In general, the types of toxicities observed were similar to those seen in US trials with
578 CAMPTOSAR. There is some information from Japanese trials that patients with considerable ascites
579 or pleural effusions were at increased risk for neutropenia or diarrhea. A potentially life-threatening
580 pulmonary syndrome, consisting of dyspnea, fever, and a reticulonodular pattern on chest x-ray, was
581 observed in a small percentage of patients in early Japanese studies. The contribution of irinotecan to
582 these preliminary events was difficult to assess because these patients also had lung tumors and some
583 had preexisting nonmalignant pulmonary disease. As a result of these observations, however, clinical
584 studies in the United States have enrolled few patients with compromised pulmonary function,
585 significant ascites, or pleural effusions.

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588 **OVERDOSAGE**

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590 In U.S. phase 1 trials, single doses of up to 345 mg/m² of irinotecan were administered to patients with
591 various cancers. Single doses of up to 750 mg/m² of irinotecan have been given in non-US trials. The
592 adverse events in these patients were similar to those reported with the recommended dosage and
593 regimen. There is no known antidote for overdosage of CAMPTOSAR. Maximum supportive care
594 should be instituted to prevent dehydration due to diarrhea and to treat any infectious complications.

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597 **DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION**

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599 **Starting Dose and Dose Modifications**

600 *Weekly Dosage Schedule:* The usual recommended starting dose of CAMPTOSAR Injection is
601 125 mg/m² (see First 6-week Dosing Schedule table). In patients with a combined history of prior
602 pelvic/abdominal irradiation and modestly elevated serum total bilirubin levels (1.0 to 2.0 mg/dL) prior
603 to treatment with CAMPTOSAR, there may be a substantially increased likelihood of grade 3 or 4
604 neutropenia. Consideration may be given to starting CAMPTOSAR at a lower dose (e.g., 100 mg/m²)
605 in such patients (See PRECAUTIONS). Dosing for patients with bilirubin >2 mg/dL cannot be
606 recommended because such patients were not included in clinical studies.

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608 After initiation of treatment with CAMPTOSAR, patients should be carefully monitored for toxicity.
609 Subsequent doses should be adjusted to as high as 150 mg/m² or to as low as 50 mg/m² in 25 to
610 50 mg/m² increments depending upon individual patient tolerance of treatment (see Recommended
611 Dose Modifications table).

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613 All doses should be administered as an intravenous infusion over 90 minutes (see Preparation of
614 Infusion Solution). The recommended treatment regimen (one treatment course) is once weekly
615 treatment for 4 weeks, followed by a 2-week rest period. The first treatment course is shown in the
616 Table 6. Thereafter, additional courses of treatment may be repeated every 6 weeks (4 weeks on
617 therapy, followed by 2 weeks rest). Provided intolerable toxicity does not develop, treatment and
618 additional courses of CAMPTOSAR may be continued indefinitely as long as patients continue to
619 experience clinical benefit.

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**Table 7. First 6-Week Dosing Schedule for CAMPTOSAR
for a Patient Experiencing No Toxicity Requiring Dosing Delays**

Week (day)	1 (1)	2 (8)	3 (15)	4 (22)	5 (29)	6* (36)
Treatment (given on first day of weeks 1-4)	one 90-min IV infusion	one 90-min IV infusion	one 90-min IV infusion	one 90-min IV infusion	rest	rest

*The second 6-week course of treatment may begin week 7 (day 43).

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622 *Once-Every-3-Week Dosage Schedule:* The usual recommended starting dose of CAMPTOSAR
623 Injection for the once-every-3-week dosage schedule is 350 mg/m². For patients who are 70 years and
624 older, or who have received prior pelvic/abdominal radiotherapy, or who have a performance status of
625 2 the recommended starting dose is 300 mg/m². Dosing for patients with bilirubin >2 mg/dL cannot be
626 recommended since such patients were not included in clinical studies.

627 After initiation of treatment with CAMPTOSAR, patients should be carefully monitored for toxicity.
628 Subsequent doses should be adjusted to as low as 200 mg/m² in 50-mg/m² increments depending upon
629 individual patient tolerance of treatment (see Recommended Dose Modifications table).

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631 All doses should be administered as an intravenous infusion over 90 minutes (see Preparation of
632 Infusion Solution). The recommended treatment regimen (1 course) is once every 3 weeks. Provided
633 intolerable toxicity does not develop, treatment with additional courses of CAMPTOSAR may be
634 continued indefinitely as long as patients continue to experience clinical benefit.

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636 **Dose Modification Recommendations**

637 Table 8 describes the recommended dose modifications during a course of therapy with the weekly
638 dosage schedule and at the start of each subsequent course of therapy with both the weekly or every-3-
639 week dosage schedules. These recommendations are based on toxicities commonly observed with the
640 administration of CAMPTOSAR. Weekly scheduled therapy with CAMPTOSAR should be
641 interrupted when grade 3 or 4 or other intolerable toxicities occur. Dose modifications for hematologic
642 toxicities other than neutropenia (e.g., leukopenia, anemia, or thrombocytopenia) during a course of
643 therapy and at the start of a subsequent course of therapy are the same as recommended for
644 neutropenia. At the start of a subsequent course of therapy, the dose of CAMPTOSAR should be
645 decreased based on the worst grade of toxicity observed in the prior course. A new course of therapy

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646 should not begin until the granulocyte count has recovered to $\geq 1500/\text{mm}^3$ and the platelet count has
647 recovered to $\geq 100,000/\text{mm}^3$ and treatment-related diarrhea is fully resolved. Treatment should be
648 delayed 1 to 2 weeks to allow for recovery from treatment-related toxicity. If the patient has not
649 recovered after a 2-week delay, consideration should be given to discontinuing CAMPTOSAR.
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651 It is recommended that patients receive premedication with antiemetic agents (see PRECAUTIONS,
652 General).

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Table 8. RECOMMENDED DOSE MODIFICATIONS FOR THE WEEKLY AND ONCE-EVERY-3-WEEK SCHEDULES^a

A new course of therapy should not begin until the granulocyte count has recovered to $\geq 1500/\text{mm}^3$, and the platelet count has recovered to $\geq 100,000/\text{mm}^3$, and treatment-related diarrhea is fully resolved. Treatment should be delayed 1 to 2 weeks to allow for recovery from treatment-related toxicities. If the patient has not recovered after a 2-week delay, consideration should be given to discontinuing CAMPTOSAR.

Worst Toxicity NCI Grade ^b (Value)	During a Course of Therapy		At the Start of the Next Course of Therapy (After Adequate Recovery), Compared with the Starting Dose in the Previous Course ^a	
	Weekly	Weekly	Weekly	Once Every 3 Week
No toxicity	Maintain dose level		$\uparrow 25 \text{ mg/m}^2$ up to a maximum dose of 150 mg/m^2	Maintain dose level
Neutropenia 1 (1500 to 1999/ mm^3) 2 (1000 to 1499/ mm^3) 3 (500 to 999/ mm^3) 4 (<500/ mm^3)	Maintain dose level $\downarrow 25 \text{ mg/m}^2$ Omit dose, then $\downarrow 25 \text{ mg/m}^2$ when resolved to \leq grade 2 Omit dose, then $\downarrow 50 \text{ mg/m}^2$ when resolved to \leq grade 2		Maintain dose level Maintain dose level $\downarrow 25 \text{ mg/m}^2$ $\downarrow 50 \text{ mg/m}^2$	Maintain dose level Maintain dose level $\downarrow 50 \text{ mg/m}^2$ $\downarrow 50 \text{ mg/m}^2$
Neutropenic fever (grade 4 neutropenia & \geq grade 2 fever)	Omit dose, then $\downarrow 50 \text{ mg/m}^2$ when resolved		$\downarrow 50 \text{ mg/m}^2$	$\downarrow 50 \text{ mg/m}^2$
Other hematologic toxicities	Dose modifications for leukopenia, thrombocytopenia, and anemia during a course of therapy and at the start of subsequent courses of therapy are also based on NCI toxicity criteria and are the same as recommended for neutropenia above.			
Diarrhea 1 (2-3 stools/day > pretx ^c) 2 (4-6 stools/day > pretx ^c) 3 (7-9 stools/day > pretx ^c) 4 (≥ 10 stools/day > pretx ^c)	Maintain dose level $\downarrow 25 \text{ mg/m}^2$ Omit dose, then $\downarrow 25 \text{ mg/m}^2$ when resolved to \leq grade 2 Omit dose, then $\downarrow 50 \text{ mg/m}^2$ when resolved to \leq grade 2		Maintain dose level Maintain dose level $\downarrow 25 \text{ mg/m}^2$ $\downarrow 50 \text{ mg/m}^2$	Maintain dose level Maintain dose level $\downarrow 50 \text{ mg/m}^2$ $\downarrow 50 \text{ mg/m}^2$
Other nonhematologic toxicities 1 2 3 4	Maintain dose level $\downarrow 25 \text{ mg/m}^2$ Omit dose, then $\downarrow 25 \text{ mg/m}^2$ when resolved to \leq grade 2 Omit dose, then $\downarrow 50 \text{ mg/m}^2$ when resolved to \leq grade 2		Maintain dose level $\downarrow 25 \text{ mg/m}^2$ $\downarrow 25 \text{ mg/m}^2$ $\downarrow 50 \text{ mg/m}^2$	Maintain dose level $\downarrow 50 \text{ mg/m}^2$ $\downarrow 50 \text{ mg/m}^2$ $\downarrow 50 \text{ mg/m}^2$

^a All dose modifications should be based on the worst preceding toxicity

^b National Cancer Institute Common Toxicity Criteria

^c Pretreatment

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656 **Preparation & Administration Precautions**

657 As with other potentially toxic anticancer agents, care should be exercised in the handling and
658 preparation of infusion solutions prepared from CAMPTOSAR Injection. The use of gloves is
659 recommended. If a solution of CAMPTOSAR contacts the skin, wash the skin immediately and
660 thoroughly with soap and water. If CAMPTOSAR contacts the mucous membranes, flush thoroughly
661 with water. Several published guidelines for handling and disposal of anticancer agents are available.1-
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664 **Preparation of Infusion Solution**

665 Inspect vial contents for particulate matter and repeat inspection when drug product is withdrawn from
666 vial into syringe.

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668 CAMPTOSAR Injection must be diluted prior to infusion. CAMPTOSAR should be diluted in 5%
669 Dextrose Injection, USP, (preferred) or 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP, to a final concentration
670 range of 0.12 to 2.8 mg/mL. In most clinical trials, CAMPTOSAR was administered in 250 mL to
671 500 mL of 5% Dextrose Injection, USP.

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673 The solution is physically and chemically stable for up to 24 hours at room temperature (approximately
674 25°C) and in ambient fluorescent lighting. Solutions diluted in 5% Dextrose Injection, USP, and stored
675 at refrigerated temperatures (approximately 2° to 8°C), and protected from light are physically and
676 chemically stable for 48 hours. Refrigeration of admixtures using 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection,
677 USP, is not recommended due to a low and sporadic incidence of visible particulates. Freezing
678 CAMPTOSAR and admixtures of CAMPTOSAR may result in precipitation of the drug and should be
679 avoided. Because of possible microbial contamination during dilution, it is advisable to use the
680 admixture prepared with 5% Dextrose Injection, USP, within 24 hours if refrigerated (2° to 8°C, 36° to
681 46°F). In the case of admixtures prepared with 5% Dextrose Injection, USP, or Sodium Chloride
682 Injection, USP, the solutions should be used within 6 hours if kept at room temperature (15° to 30°C,
683 59° to 86°F).

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685 Other drugs should not be added to the infusion solution. Parenteral drug products should be inspected
686 visually for particulate matter and discoloration prior to administration whenever solution and
687 container permit.

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690 **HOW SUPPLIED**

691 Each mL of CAMPTOSAR Injection contains 20 mg irinotecan (on the basis of the trihydrate salt);
692 45 mg sorbitol; and 0.9 mg lactic acid. When necessary, pH has been adjusted to 3.5 (range, 3.0 to 3.8)
693 with sodium hydroxide or hydrochloric acid.

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695 CAMPTOSAR Injection is available in single-dose amber glass vials in the following package sizes:

696 2 mL NDC 0009-7529-02

697 5 mL NDC 0009-7529-01

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699 This is packaged in a backing/plastic blister to protect against inadvertent breakage and leakage. The
700 vial should be inspected for damage and visible signs of leaks before removing the backing/plastic
701 blister. If damaged, incinerate the unopened package.

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703 Store at controlled room temperature 15° to 30°C (59° to 86°F). Protect from light. It is recommended
704 that the vial (and backing/plastic blister) should remain in the carton until the time of use.

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706 Rx only

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