

**GOT KIDNEY DISEASE AND
CAN'T ESCAPE THE ITCH?**



PATIENT
PORTRAYAL

**CALM IT WITH
KORSUVA[®]
(difelikefalin) Injection**

65 mcg/1.3 mL (50 mcg/mL)

WHAT IS KORSUVA?

KORSUVA is a prescription medicine used to treat moderate-to-severe pruritus (itching) associated with chronic kidney disease (CKD-aP) in adults undergoing hemodialysis (HD).

KORSUVA is not recommended in patients undergoing peritoneal dialysis (fluid taken from abdomen).

Please see additional Important Safety Information throughout and full Prescribing Information.

CKD-ITCH CAN HAVE YOU SCRATCHING DAY AND NIGHT

The itching from chronic kidney disease (CKD) is a real medical condition.

The first step towards getting itch relief is learning more about it. If you're living with CKD, you may experience an itch that you can't escape, day or night. It's different than a typical itch. That's because it could be a real medical condition related to your CKD. It's called chronic kidney disease-associated pruritus (also known as CKD-aP).

CKD-aP impacts up to 65% of people with CKD undergoing dialysis in the US. Up to 33% of those with CKD undergoing dialysis in the US say they are moderately to extremely bothered by itching.



The itching with CKD-aP can affect people differently. It can come and go and can be triggered by different things. It can go from mild to intense ... and back to mild again. Some people describe it as feeling like **itching beneath the surface of the skin**.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

What are the possible side effects of KORSUVA?

KORSUVA may cause serious side effects, including:

- **Dizziness, sleepiness, mental status changes (e.g., confusion), and trouble walking (which may lead to falls).** Sleepiness is more likely to occur in patients who are 65 years or older. Taking KORSUVA with centrally acting depressant medications (including anti-depressants and medicines used for anxiety, epilepsy, insomnia), sedating antihistamines (allergy medicines that can cause drowsiness), and opioid analgesics (certain pain medications) may increase the likelihood of these side effects.

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KORSUVA CAN HELP CALM THE ITCH

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KORSUVA is the first and only FDA-approved treatment specifically designed for this kind of itch.

KORSUVA is for adult hemodialysis patients suffering from moderate-to-severe chronic kidney disease-associated pruritus (CKD-aP).



IN-CENTER ADMINISTRATION

KORSUVA is given as an injection into your IV line at the end of each dialysis treatment.



SUSTAINED CKD-ITCH RELIEF

In clinical trials, itch relief was seen by week 4 and sustained through week 12.



EXTENSIVELY TESTED

KORSUVA was generally well tolerated in clinical trials involving over 1300 patients.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (CONT'D)

- **Impairment of mental or physical abilities.** You should not drive or operate dangerous machinery until the effect of KORSUVA on your ability to drive or operate machinery is known. **The most common side effects of KORSUVA include:** diarrhea, dizziness, nausea, trouble walking (including falls), high potassium, headache, sleepiness, and mental status changes (e.g., confusion).

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STUDY RESULTS WITH KORSUVA

In clinical trials with over 850 adults on hemodialysis with moderate-to-severe chronic kidney disease-associated pruritus (CKD-aP), **KORSUVA was proven to help achieve and maintain itch relief.**

LESS ITCHING

Patients who received KORSUVA experienced itch relief by week 4 of treatment.



- More patients who received KORSUVA improved their itchiness compared with those who received placebo

LASTING RELIEF

Patients who received KORSUVA experienced sustained itch relief through week 12 of treatment.



- More patients who received KORSUVA experienced sustained itch relief at 12 weeks compared with those who received placebo

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (CONT'D)

What should I tell my doctor before taking KORSUVA?

Before you take KORSUVA, tell your doctor if you:

- are currently taking centrally acting depressant medications (including anti-depressants and medicines used for anxiety, epilepsy, insomnia), sedating antihistamines (allergy medicines that can cause drowsiness) or opioid analgesics (certain pain medications)
- regularly drive or operate dangerous machinery

Know the medicines you take. Keep a list of them to show your doctor and pharmacist when you get a new medicine.

Tell your doctor about all the medicines you take, including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements. **Tell your doctor if you are pregnant or breastfeeding or plan to become pregnant or breastfeed.** In pre-clinical studies, KORSUVA was shown to be transferable into breastmilk.

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KORSUVA SAFETY

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When starting any new treatment, it's important to understand the potential side effects.

THESE SIDE EFFECTS CAN MOST FREQUENTLY OCCUR DURING TREATMENT WITH KORSUVA:

Most frequent side effects*	KORSUVA	Placebo
Diarrhea	9.0%	5.7%
Dizziness	6.8%	3.8%
Nausea	6.6%	4.5%
Trouble walking (including falls)	6.6%	5.4%
High potassium	4.7%	3.5%
Headache	4.5%	2.6%
Sleepiness	4.2%	2.4%
Mental status change (e.g., confusion)	3.3%	1.4%

*Side effects in $\geq 2\%$ of KORSUVA-treated subjects and $\geq 1\%$ higher than placebo. 848 subjects were evaluated (424 in KORSUVA group and 424 in placebo group).

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Contact your healthcare team right away if you experience any of the symptoms listed above.

- Sleepiness is more likely to happen in patients who are 65 years or older
- Taking certain medications for depression, anxiety, epilepsy, insomnia, allergies, or pain may increase the likelihood of these side effects, and these medications should be used with caution during treatment with KORSUVA

KORSUVA may impair your ability to perform potentially hazardous activities such as driving a car or operating heavy machinery. You should not drive a car or operate dangerous machinery until you know how KORSUVA affects your ability to perform these activities.

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KORSUVA is the first and only FDA-approved treatment specifically designed to take on the itch for adult hemodialysis patients suffering from moderate-to-severe CKD-aP.



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IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (CONT'D)

What should I tell my doctor before taking KORSUVA? (cont'd)

Tell your doctor if you have any side effect that bothers you or does not go away. These are not all of the possible side effects of KORSUVA. You may report side effects to Vifor (International) Inc. at 1-844-835-8277 or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or www.fda.gov/medwatch.

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IF YOU CAN'T ESCAPE THE ITCH, CALM IT WITH KORSUVA



In clinical trials, patients who received **KORSUVA** experienced itch relief by week 4 of treatment and sustained itch relief through week 12.



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IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (CONT'D)

The risk information provided here is not comprehensive and does not take the place of talking with your doctor about your medical condition or treatment. To learn more about **KORSUVA**, talk with your healthcare provider or pharmacist.

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IS KORSUVA RIGHT FOR YOU?

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