

QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR DOCTOR ABOUT YOUR  
RECENT ADVANCED PROSTATE CANCER DIAGNOSIS



# A DISCUSSION GUIDE FOR PATIENTS AND CAREGIVERS

## INDICATION

FIRMAGON® (degarelix for injection) is a prescription medicine used in the treatment of advanced prostate cancer.

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

- Do not take FIRMAGON if you are allergic to any of the ingredients in FIRMAGON. FIRMAGON can cause serious allergic reactions. Get medical help right away if you get any of these symptoms:
  - Trouble breathing or wheezing
  - Severe itching
  - Swelling of your face, lips, mouth, or tongue

Please see Important Safety Information throughout  
and full Prescribing Information at [FIRMAGON.com](http://FIRMAGON.com).

**FIRMAGON**®  
(degarelix for injection)  
120 mg, 80 mg

# QUESTIONS YOU CAN ASK YOUR HCP

## IF YOU'VE JUST BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH ADVANCED PROSTATE CANCER

### What to expect with advanced prostate cancer

- What does a diagnosis of advanced prostate cancer mean?
- Will my prostate cancer continue to advance?
- Are my symptoms likely to change or get worse over time?
- Will you be following me more closely now that my prostate cancer has advanced?

#### NOTES:

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### Living with advanced prostate cancer

- Can I keep doing my regular activities?
- Should I change my diet in any way?
- Are there any prescription or over-the-counter medications I should avoid?
- Can you recommend any support groups or organizations for advanced prostate cancer?

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#### IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (*cont'd*)

- Women who are pregnant or may become pregnant should not take FIRMAGON. FIRMAGON can harm an unborn baby when given to a pregnant woman.

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## Treatment of advanced prostate cancer

- What are my treatment options?
- Can advanced prostate cancer be cured?
- How is advanced prostate cancer treated?
- Why are patients with advanced prostate cancer treated with hormone therapy?
- Why do testosterone levels matter in advanced prostate cancer?
- Do all hormone therapy medications work exactly the same way?
- How is hormone therapy given?
- How often is hormone therapy given?
- Does my medical history such as diabetes or cardiovascular events affect which treatment we choose?
- How quickly will my treatment drop my testosterone levels?
- How long will I take hormone therapy?
- What are the most common side effects of hormone therapy?
- Will lowering my testosterone levels affect my sexual desire or ability?
- How can I manage the side effects of hormone therapy?

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### IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (cont'd)

- Before receiving FIRMAGON, tell your healthcare provider about all your medical conditions, including if you have any heart problems including a condition called long QT syndrome, have problems with blood levels such as sodium, potassium, calcium, and magnesium, have kidney or liver problems.



# TAKING FIRMAGON<sup>®</sup>

(DEGARELIX INJECTION) FOR ADVANCED PROSTATE CANCER

## How FIRMAGON works

- How does **FIRMAGON** work?
- Why do testosterone levels matter in advanced prostate cancer?
- Does **FIRMAGON** lower testosterone levels the same way as other hormone therapies do?
- How is **FIRMAGON** different from other hormone therapy?
- How quickly will **FIRMAGON** lower my testosterone levels?

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## Common side effects

- What are the most common side effects of **FIRMAGON**?
- Do all hormone therapies for advanced prostate cancer have similar side effects?
- Will lowering testosterone affect my sexual desire or function?
- How can I manage the side effects of hormone therapy?

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## IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (cont'd)

- The common side effects of FIRMAGON include: hot flashes, injection site pain, redness and swelling, weight gain, increase in some liver enzymes, decreased sex drive, and erectile function problems.



## Taking FIRMAGON

- How is **FIRMAGON** given?
- How often will I take **FIRMAGON**?
- How will I know **FIRMAGON** is working?
- Will you be checking anything else when I come in for my monthly dose of **FIRMAGON**?
- How long can I take **FIRMAGON**?
- Can I continue my normal activities while I'm taking **FIRMAGON**?
- Can I continue my normal diet while I'm taking **FIRMAGON**?

### MY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS:

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Tell your healthcare provider if you have any side effects that bother you or that does not go away. These are not all the possible side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

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