

#### **Indication**

XERMELO is a prescription pill, used along with somatostatin analog (SSA) therapy, for Carcinoid Syndrome Diarrhea in adults who are not adequately controlled by SSA therapy.

Please see additional Important Safety Information below and full **Prescribing Information**.

# WHAT CAUSES CARCINOID SYNDROME DIARRHEA?

Carcinoid Syndrome
Diarrhea (CSD) occurs
when a neuroendocrine
tumor (NET) cell produces
too much serotonin.<sup>1</sup>

#### Let's take a closer look

To better understand the cause of Carcinoid Syndrome Diarrhea, take a moment to learn about the science behind it.





When cells grow abnormally, they form a tumor.<sup>2</sup>



When a tumor forms in the neuroendocrine system, it may produce too many hormones, like serotonin.<sup>2</sup>





Hormones are one way your body's cells communicate with each other to help with bodily functions. For example, serotonin is a hormone that communicates with your gut to help with digestion.<sup>1</sup>



When NETs produce too much serotonin, your body's natural serotonin levels can be thrown off balance. The extra serotonin in the gut can lead to Carcinoid Syndrome Diarrhea.<sup>2</sup>

# WHY YOU NEED TO STAY ON TRACK

In a study called TELESTAR, XERMELO® (telotristat ethyl) provided meaningful reductions in Carcinoid Syndrome Diarrhea.<sup>3</sup>

XERMELO-treated patients had a 2x greater reduction in daily bowel movement frequency vs SSA alone (-1.4 vs -0.6 respectively).<sup>4</sup>



**IN A 12-WEEK STUDY** 

### NEARLY 9 OUT OF 10

PEOPLE TAKING XERMELO HAD A
REDUCTION IN DIARRHEA FREQUENCY
VS 69% WHO RESPONDED ON SSA ALONE<sup>4</sup>

#### **How XERMELO** was studied

In a major clinical study that led to XERMELO's FDA approval, XERMELO + SSA was compared with SSA alone in people with Carcinoid Syndrome. All people were followed for 12 weeks and recorded diarrhea frequency in a daily diary.<sup>3</sup>

#### **Important Safety Information**

 XERMELO may cause constipation which can be serious. You should stop taking XERMELO if severe constipation or severe, persistent, or worsening abdominal pain develops. Talk to your doctor if you have these symptoms

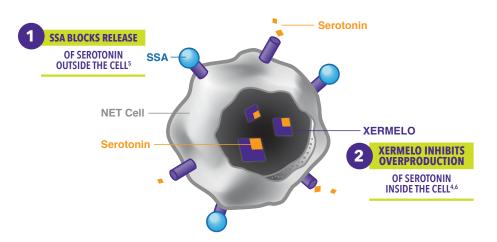
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#### You've made an important decision.

Even with somatostatin analog (SSA) therapy, you may still experience Carcinoid Syndrome Diarrhea.<sup>5</sup> That's why you and your doctor have decided to add XERMELO® (telotristat ethyl) to your treatment plan.

# XERMELO + SSA WORKS IN 2 DIFFERENT WAYS TO REDUCE EXCESS SEROTONIN AND MANAGE CSD<sup>4-6</sup>

#### Neuroendocrine Tumor (NET) Cell



Unlike antidiarrheal medications, XERMELO targets the cause of Carcinoid Syndrome Diarrhea, which is too much serotonin in the gut.<sup>6</sup>

#### **Important Safety Information (Cont'd)**

 The most common side effects of XERMELO include nausea, headache, increase in liver enzymes, depression, flatulence, decreased appetite, swelling of your hands and feet, fever, abdominal pain, and constipation

# XERMELO REDUCED SEROTONIN LEVELS<sup>3</sup>



When serotonin breaks down in your body, it becomes 5-HIAA. People with Carcinoid Syndrome often have high levels of 5-HIAA. Your doctor may measure the 5-HIAA to see how much serotonin is in your body.<sup>3</sup>

XERMELO WAS SHOWN TO BE EFFECTIVE IN PATIENTS
REGARDLESS OF THEIR BASELINE 5-HIAA LEVELS<sup>3,4</sup>

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# HOW TO TAKE XERMELO® (TELOTRISTAT ETHYL)

When taken as directed, XERMELO helps reduce Carcinoid Syndrome Diarrhea. XERMELO should be taken 3 times a day, every day, with food.<sup>4</sup>



- ◆ For some people, XERMELO worked as early as 1 to 3 weeks from when they started taking it. In others it took up to 12 weeks to see full improvement.<sup>3,4</sup>
- So, it's important to keep taking your XERMELO during this time to get the most out of treatment.<sup>4</sup>



Example: Not actual packaging

XERMELO comes in one small blister pack per week

- Easy to carry and store
- Environmentally friendly cardboard packaging

#### **Eating with Carcinoid Syndrome**

**Find Food You Love** is a nutrition and recipe guide designed to support your needs with Carcinoid Syndrome.

Get your *FREE* copy by visiting FoodYouLoveBook.com!



## WHERE TO GO FOR SUPPORT

#### TerSera Clinical Nurse Educators (CNEs) provide 1:1 support

CNEs are specialized in neuroendocrine tumors. They can help you manage daily life with Carcinoid Syndrome. They can also answer your questions about XERMELO.

#### **Talk to a NET Nurse about Carcinoid Syndrome**

CALL, VISIT, OR SCAN TO GET STARTED:

844-334-4035 www.thenetnurse.com



#### Stay in touch with your specialty pharmacy

Your specialty pharmacy will call you every month to refill your XERMELO. So, make sure you answer the call. You can also call your specialty pharmacy if you need help finding financial assistance programs that you qualify for.

Call for more information: 844-937-6356

#### **Important Safety Information (Cont'd)**

- ◆ Talk to your doctor about all medications you are taking as some may interact with XERMELO
- XERMELO is not recommended if you have moderate or severe liver impairment

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#### As little as \$0 Copay\*

Scan to get started



for most commercially insured patients. Patients are not eligible for copay assistance if prescriptions are paid by any state or other federally funded programs, including, but not limited to, Medicare or Medicaid, Medigap, VA or DOD, or TriCare, or where prohibited by law.

\*Up to \$10,000/year.

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