

HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

These highlights do not include all the information needed to use ANTHRASIL™ safely and effectively. See full prescribing information for ANTHRASIL.

ANTHRASIL [Anthrax Immune Globulin Intravenous (Human)], sterile solution for infusion

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WARNING: INTERACTIONS WITH GLUCOSE MONITORING SYSTEMS AND THROMBOSIS

See full prescribing information for complete boxed warning.

- Maltose in immune globulin products, including ANTHRASIL, may give falsely high blood glucose levels with some blood point-of-care glucose testing systems (for example those based on the GDH-PQQ or glucose-dye-oxidoreductase methods) resulting in inappropriate administration of insulin and life-threatening hypoglycemia. To avoid interference by maltose contained in ANTHRASIL, perform blood glucose measurements in patients receiving ANTHRASIL with a glucose-specific method (monitor and test strips).
- Thrombosis may occur with immune globulin products, including ANTHRASIL. Risk factors may include advanced age, prolonged immobilization, hypercoagulable conditions, history of venous or arterial thrombosis, use of estrogens, indwelling vascular catheters, hyperviscosity and cardiovascular risk factors. Thrombosis may occur in the absence of known risk factors.
- For patients at risk of thrombosis, administer ANTHRASIL at the minimum infusion rate practicable. Ensure adequate hydration in patients before administration. Monitor for signs and symptoms of thrombosis and assess blood viscosity in patients at risk of hyperviscosity.

INDICATIONS AND USAGE

ANTHRASIL is an Anthrax Immune Globulin Intravenous (Human) indicated for the treatment of inhalational anthrax in adult and pediatric patients in combination with appropriate antibacterial drugs (1).

The effectiveness of ANTHRASIL is based solely on efficacy studies conducted in animal models of inhalational anthrax.

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

For intravenous use only.

Dosing of ANTHRASIL

Patient Group	Dose ^a	Starting Infusion Rate (first 30 min)	Incremental Infusion Rate if Tolerated (every 30 min)	Max Infusion Rate
Adults (≥17 years)	7 vials (420 units)	0.5 mL/min	1 mL/min	2 mL/min
Pediatric <1 year to ≤16 years	1–7 vials (60–420 units) based on patient weight	0.01 mL/kg/min (do not exceed the adult rate)	0.02 mL/kg/min	0.04 mL/kg/min (do not exceed the adult rate)

^aSelect initial dose based on clinical severity; severe cases may warrant use of 14 vials (840 units) in adults and 2 to 14 vials (based on weight) in pediatric patients weighing >5 kg.

Adjust dose and consider redosing based on clinical severity and response to treatment (2.1)

Weight-based Pediatric Dose

Body Weight (kg)	Vials per Dose ^a	Body Weight (kg)	Vials per Dose
<5	1	25 to <35	4
<10	1	35 to <50	5
10 to <18	2	50 to <60	6
18 to <25	3	≥60	7

^aSelect initial dose based on clinical severity. Dose may be doubled for severe cases in patients >5 kg.

Administer ANTHRASIL by slow intravenous infusion using an infusion pump (maximum 2 mL per minute).

DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS

Each single-use vial contains a minimum potency of ≥60 units by Toxin Neutralization Assay (TNA) (3).

CONTRAINDICATIONS

- History of anaphylactic or severe systemic reaction to human immune globulins (4)
- IgA deficiency with antibodies against IgA and a history of IgA hypersensitivity (4)

WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

- Hypersensitivity reactions including anaphylaxis (5.1)
- Interference with blood and urine glucose testing (5.2, 5.9)
- Thrombosis may occur. Monitor patients at risk (5.3)
- Monitor renal function and urine output in patients at risk of acute renal dysfunction/failure (5.4)
- Infuse ANTHRASIL at the minimum rate practicable in patients at risk of thrombosis or renal failure (5.5)
- Monitor for clinical signs and symptoms of hemolysis and hemolytic anemia (5.6)
- Aseptic meningitis syndrome (AMS) (5.7)
- Transfusion-related Acute Lung Injury (TRALI) (5.10)
- Transmission of infectious agents from human plasma (5.11)

ADVERSE REACTIONS

The most common adverse reactions to ANTHRASIL observed in >5% of healthy volunteers in clinical trials were headache, infusion site pain and swelling, nausea, and back pain (6.1).

To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact Cangene Corporation at 1-800-768-2304 or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or www.fda.gov/medwatch.

USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

- Pregnancy: No human or animal data are available (8.1)

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2 **WARNING: INTERACTIONS WITH GLUCOSE MONITORING SYSTEMS AND**
3 **THROMBOSIS**

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- 5 • Maltose in immune globulin products, including ANTHRASIL, may give falsely high
6 blood glucose levels with some point-of-care blood glucose testings systems (for example
7 those based on the GDH-PQQ or glucose-dye-oxidoreductase methods) resulting in
8 inappropriate administration of insulin and life-threatening hypoglycemia. To avoid
9 interference by maltose contained in ANTHRASIL, perform blood glucose measurement in
10 patients receiving ANTHRASIL with a glucose-specific method (monitor and test strips).
 - 11 • Thrombosis may occur with immune globulin products, including ANTHRASIL. Risk
12 factors may include advanced age, prolonged immobilization, hypercoagulable conditions,
13 history of venous or arterial thrombosis, use of estrogens, indwelling vascular catheters,
14 hyperviscosity and cardiovascular risk factors. Thrombosis may occur in the absence of
15 known risk factors.
 - 16 • For patients at risk of thrombosis, administer ANTHRASIL at the minimum infusion rate
17 practicable. Ensure adequate hydration in patients before administration. Monitor for signs
18 and symptoms of thrombosis and assess blood viscosity in patients at risk of hyperviscosity.

19 **1 INDICATIONS AND USAGE**

20 ANTHRASIL is an Anthrax Immune Globulin Intravenous (Human) indicated for the
21 treatment of inhalational anthrax in adult and pediatric patients in combination with
22 appropriate antibacterial drugs.

23 The effectiveness of ANTHRASIL is based solely on efficacy studies conducted in animal
24 models of inhalational anthrax [See *13.2 Animal Toxicology and/or Pharmacology*].

25 Limitations:

- 26 • ANTHRASIL does not have direct antibacterial activity.
- 27 • ANTHRASIL does not cross the blood-brain barrier and does not prevent or treat
28 meningitis.
- 29 • There have been no studies of ANTHRASIL in the pediatric, geriatric, or obese
30 populations.

31 **2 DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION**

32 **For intravenous use only.**

33 **2.1 Dose**

34 **Table 1 ANTHRASIL Dosing Guide and Intravenous Infusion Rate**

Patient Group	Dose ^a	Starting Infusion Rate (first 30 minutes)	Incremental Infusion Rate if Tolerated (every 30 minutes)	Maximum Infusion Rate
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^a Select initial dose based on clinical severity; severe cases may warrant use of 14 vials (840 units) in adults and 2 to 14 vials (based on weight) in pediatric patients weighing >5 kg.

35 **Table 2 Pediatric Dosing Guide for ANTHRASIL^a**

Body Weight (kg)	Number of ANTHRASIL Vials per Dose ^b
<5	1
<10	1
10 to <18	2
18 to <25	3
25 to <35	4
35 to <50	5
50 to <60	6
≥60	7

^a The pediatric dosing is derived from allometric scaling based on observed adult exposure to ANTHRASIL at 420 units by Toxin Neutralization Assay (TNA) dose.

^b Select initial dose based on clinical severity. Dose may be doubled for severe cases in patients >5 kg.

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37 The initial dose of ANTHRASIL for the treatment of inhalational anthrax in adults in
 38 combination with appropriate antimicrobial therapy is 420 units (seven vials). Data in animal
 39 models suggest that administration of higher doses may result in improved survival [See
 40 *13.2 Animal Toxicology and/or Pharmacology*]. An initial dose of 840 units (14 vials) may
 41 be considered, depending on the clinical status of the patient.

42 Depending on the severity of symptoms and the response to treatment, consider an initial
 43 dose of 840 units (14 vials) and repeat dosing especially in patients experiencing substantial
 44 hemorrhage as reflected in large transfusion requirements, patients with significant
 45 compartmental fluid losses such as from large volume and/or repeated therapeutic
 46 thoracentesis and/or abdominal paracentesis, and in patients whose own immune response
 47 may be impaired/delayed. Take the magnitude of ongoing blood and fluid losses and the
 48 clinical status of the patient into account in determining the time interval between doses
 49 when repeat doses are administered. Repeated dosing and single doses greater than 840 units

50 in humans have not been studied. Without substantially delaying therapy, give consideration
51 to performing therapeutic thoracentesis and/or abdominal paracentesis as indicated prior to or
52 concurrently with administration of ANTHRASIL.

53 **2.2 Preparation and Administration**

54 Each vial of ANTHRASIL has a minimum potency of ≥ 60 units per vial [See 3 *DOSAGE*
55 *FORMS AND STRENGTHS*].

- 56 1. Bring ANTHRASIL vials to room temperature.
 - 57 • Thaw frozen vials rapidly for immediate use by placing at room temperature for one
58 hour followed by a water bath at 37°C (98.6°F) until thawed.
 - 59 • Alternatively, thaw vials by placing the required number of vials in a refrigerator at
60 2 to 8°C (36 to 46°F) until the vials are thawed (approximately 14 hours).
 - 61 • Do not thaw in a microwave oven. Do not refreeze vials.
 - 62 • Bring thawed vials to room temperature by letting sit on a bench for a few minutes
63 prior to infusion.
- 64 2. Inspect vials to ensure the product is fully thawed and free from discoloration and
65 particulate matter. The solution should be clear or slightly opalescent. Do not use
66 solutions that are cloudy, turbid or have particulates.
- 67 3. Inspect vials to ensure there is no damage to the seal or vial. If damaged, do not use and
68 contact the manufacturer.
- 69 4. Gently swirl upright vials by hand to ensure uniformity. Do not shake the vial during
70 preparation to avoid foaming.
- 71 5. Follow the steps below to prepare the ANTHRASIL infusion bag:
 - 72 • Remove the protective caps from the product vials.
 - 73 • Wipe the exposed central portion of the rubber stopper with an isopropyl alcohol
74 swab.
 - 75 • Withdraw the vial contents of ANTHRASIL into a syringe, aseptically transfer into
76 an appropriately sized intravenous bag and label with the volume to be infused.
 - 77 • No further dilution is required.
 - 78 • Once punctured, use the vial contents to prepare the infusion bag and administer as
79 soon as possible. ANTHRASIL contains no preservative.
- 80 6. Administer in an intravenous line with constant infusion pump. Use of an in-line filter is
81 optional.
- 82 7. If adverse reactions occur, such as flushing, headache, nausea, changes in pulse rate or
83 blood pressure, slow the rate of infusion or temporarily stop the infusion.
- 84 ANTHRASIL vials are for single use only. Discard any unused portion.

85 **3 DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS**

86 Each vial of ANTHRASIL contains a minimum potency of ≥ 60 units per vial.

87 **4 CONTRAINDICATIONS**

- 88 • ANTHRASIL is contraindicated in individuals with a history of anaphylaxis or prior
89 severe systemic reaction associated with the parenteral administration of this or other
90 human immune globulin preparations.
- 91 • ANTHRASIL is contraindicated in IgA-deficient patients with antibodies against IgA and
92 a history of IgA hypersensitivity, as it contains trace amounts of IgA (less than or equal
93 to 40 mcg per mL) [See 5.1 *Hypersensitivity Reactions*].

94 **5 WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS**

95 **5.1 Hypersensitivity Reactions**

96 Hypersensitivity reactions may occur with ANTHRASIL.

97 Administer ANTHRASIL in a setting where appropriate equipment, medication (including
98 epinephrine) and personnel trained in the management of hypersensitivity, anaphylaxis and
99 shock are available.

100 Monitor all patients for signs and symptoms of acute allergic reactions (e.g. urticaria,
101 pruritus, erythema, angioedema, bronchospasm with wheezing or cough, stridor, laryngeal
102 edema, hypotension, tachycardia) during and following the ANTHRASIL infusion. In case of
103 severe hypersensitivity reactions, discontinue the administration of ANTHRASIL
104 immediately and administer appropriate emergency care.

105 ANTHRASIL contains trace amounts of IgA (less than or equal to 40 mcg per mL). Patients
106 with known antibodies to IgA may have greater risk of developing severe hypersensitivity
107 and anaphylactic reactions. ANTHRASIL is contraindicated in patients with antibodies
108 against IgA and a history of hypersensitivity reaction [See 4 *CONTRAINDICATIONS*].

109 **5.2 Interference with Blood Glucose Testing**

110 ANTHRASIL contains maltose. Maltose has been shown to give falsely high blood glucose
111 levels in certain types of blood glucose testing systems (for example, by systems based on
112 glucose dehydrogenase pyrroloquinolinequinone (GDH-PQQ) or glucose-dye-oxidoreductase
113 methods). Due to the potential for falsely elevated glucose readings (or falsely normal
114 glucose readings when hypoglycemia is present), only use testing systems that are glucose-
115 specific to test or monitor blood glucose levels in patients receiving ANTHRASIL.

116 Review the product information of the blood glucose testing system, including that of the test
117 strips, to determine if the system is appropriate for use with maltose-containing parenteral
118 products. If any uncertainty exists, contact the manufacturer of the testing system to
119 determine if the system is appropriate for use with maltose-containing parenteral products.

120 **5.3 Thrombosis**

121 Thrombosis may occur following treatment with immune globulin products, including
122 ANTHRASIL [See *BOXED WARNING*]. Risk factors include cardiovascular risk factors,
123 advanced age, impaired cardiac output, hypercoagulable disorders, prolonged periods of
124 immobilization, history of arterial or venous thrombosis, estrogen use, indwelling central
125 vascular catheters, and/or known or suspected hyperviscosity. Thrombosis may occur in the
126 absence of known risk factors. Weigh the potential risks and benefits of ANTHRASIL
127 against those of alternative therapies for all patients for whom ANTHRASIL administration
128 is being considered.

129 Because of the potentially increased risk of thrombosis, consider baseline assessment of
130 blood viscosity in patients at risk for hyperviscosity, including those with cryoglobulins,
131 fasting chylomicronemia/markedly high triacylglycerols (triglycerides), or monoclonal
132 gammopathies.

133 In patients with risk factors where the benefits of ANTHRASIL administration out-weigh the
134 potential risks of thrombosis, administer ANTHRASIL at the minimum rate of infusion
135 practicable. Ensure adequate hydration in patients before administration. Monitor for signs
136 and symptoms of thrombosis.

137 **5.4 Acute Renal Dysfunction/Failure**

138 Acute renal dysfunction, acute renal failure, osmotic nephropathy, acute tubular necrosis,
139 proximal tubular nephropathy, and death may occur upon use of immune globulin
140 intravenous products, including ANTHRASIL. Use ANTHRASIL with caution in patients
141 with any degree of pre-existing renal insufficiency and in patients at risk of developing renal
142 insufficiency (including, but not limited to those with diabetes mellitus, age greater than
143 65 years, volume depletion, paraproteinemia, sepsis, and patients receiving known
144 nephrotoxic drugs), administering at the minimum rate of infusion practicable. Ensure that
145 patients are not volume depleted before ANTHRASIL infusion. Do not exceed the
146 recommended infusion rate, and follow the infusion schedule closely. Periodic monitoring of
147 renal function and urine output is important in patients judged to be at increased risk of
148 developing acute renal failure. Assess renal function, including measurement of blood urea
149 nitrogen (BUN) and serum creatinine, before the initial infusion of ANTHRASIL and at
150 appropriate intervals thereafter. If renal function deteriorates, consider discontinuing
151 ANTHRASIL.

152 Most cases of renal insufficiency following administration of immune globulin products have
153 occurred in patients receiving total doses containing 400 mg per kg of sucrose or greater.
154 ANTHRASIL does not contain sucrose.

155 **5.5 Infusion Rate Precautions**

156 Adverse reactions (such as chills, fever, headache, nausea and vomiting) may be related to
157 the rate of infusion. Follow closely the recommended infusion rate given under *2.1 Dose*.
158 Closely monitor and carefully observe patients and their vital signs for any symptoms
159 throughout the infusion period and immediately following an infusion.

160 **5.6 Hemolysis**

161 Hemolytic anemia and hemolysis may develop subsequent to ANTHRASIL administration.
162 ANTHRASIL may contain blood group antibodies that may act as hemolysins and induce *in*
163 *vivo* coating of red blood cells with immune globulin, causing a positive direct antiglobulin
164 reaction and hemolysis. Acute hemolysis, including intravascular hemolysis, has been
165 reported following immune globulin administration and delayed hemolytic anemia can
166 develop due to enhanced red blood cell sequestration. Severe hemolysis may lead to renal
167 dysfunction/failure.

168 The following risk factors may be associated with the development of hemolysis: high doses
169 (e.g., >2 g per kg), given either as a single administration or divided over several days, and
170 non-O blood group (1). Other individual patient factors, such as an underlying inflammatory
171 state (as may be reflected by, for example, elevated C-reactive protein or erythrocyte
172 sedimentation rate), have been hypothesized to increase the risk of hemolysis (2) but their
173 role is uncertain.

174 Monitor ANTHRASIL recipients for clinical signs and symptoms of hemolysis. Consider
175 appropriate laboratory testing in higher risk patients, including measurement of hemoglobin
176 or hematocrit prior to infusion and within approximately 36 to 96 hours and again
177 approximately seven to 10 days post infusion. If signs and/or symptoms of hemolysis or a
178 significant drop in hemoglobin or hematocrit have been observed after infusion, perform
179 additional confirmatory laboratory testing.

180 **5.7 Aseptic Meningitis Syndrome (AMS)**

181 AMS may occur in association with administration of immune globulin products, including
182 ANTHRASIL. AMS usually is associated with high total doses (>2 g per kg) and begins
183 within several hours to two days following treatment. Discontinuation of treatment has
184 resulted in remission of AMS within several days without sequelae.

185 AMS is characterized by the following symptoms and signs: severe headache, nuchal
186 rigidity, drowsiness, fever, photophobia, painful eye movements, and nausea and vomiting.
187 Cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) studies are frequently positive with pleocytosis up to several
188 thousand cells per cubic millimeter, predominately from the granulocytic series, and with
189 elevated protein levels up to several hundred mg per dL, but negative culture results. Conduct
190 a detailed neurological examination in patients exhibiting such symptoms and signs,
191 including CSF studies, to rule out other causes of meningitis (particularly anthrax
192 meningitis).

193 **5.8 Monitoring: Laboratory Tests**

- 194 • Consider periodic monitoring of renal function and urine output in patients judged to be
195 at increased risk of developing acute renal failure. Assess renal function, including
196 measurement of BUN and serum creatinine, before the initial infusion of ANTHRASIL
197 and at appropriate intervals thereafter.

- 198 • Because of the potentially increased risk of thrombosis, consider baseline assessment of
199 blood viscosity in patients at risk for hyperviscosity, including those with cryoglobulins,
200 fasting chylomicronemia/markedly high triacylglycerols (triglycerides), or monoclonal
201 gammopathies.
- 202 • If signs and/or symptoms of hemolysis are present after an infusion of ANTHRASIL,
203 perform appropriate laboratory testing for confirmation.
- 204 If TRALI is suspected, perform appropriate tests for the presence of anti-HLA and anti-
205 neutrophil antibodies in the product. TRALI may be managed using oxygen therapy with
206 adequate ventilatory support.

207 **5.9 Interference with Laboratory Testing**

208 ANTHRASIL contains maltose, which can be misinterpreted as glucose by certain types of
209 blood glucose testing systems (for example, those based on the GDH-PQQ or glucose-dye-
210 oxidoreductase methods). Due to the potential for falsely elevated glucose readings, use only
211 testing systems that are glucose-specific to test or monitor blood glucose levels in patients
212 receiving ANTHRASIL [See *BOXED WARNING* and *5.2 Interference with Blood Glucose*
213 *Testing*].

214 Antibodies present in ANTHRASIL may interfere with some serological tests. After
215 administration of immune globulins like ANTHRASIL, a transitory increase of passively
216 transferred antibodies in the patient's blood may result in positive results in serological
217 testing (e.g. Coombs' test) [See *5.6 Hemolysis*].

218 Urinalysis after ANTHRASIL administration may result in elevated glucose [See *6.1 Clinical*
219 *Trials Experience*]. As this is a known transient effect, testing should be repeated to
220 determine if further action is warranted.

221 **5.10 Transfusion-related Acute Lung Injury (TRALI)**

222 Noncardiogenic pulmonary edema may occur in patients receiving immune globulin
223 products, including ANTHRASIL. TRALI is characterized by severe respiratory distress,
224 pulmonary edema, hypoxemia, normal left ventricular function, and fever and typically
225 occurs within one to six hours after transfusion.

226 Monitor recipients for pulmonary adverse reactions. If TRALI is suspected, perform tests for
227 the presence of anti-HLA and anti-neutrophil antibodies in the product.

228 **5.11 Transmission of Infectious Agents from Human Plasma**

229 Because ANTHRASIL is made from human plasma, it may carry a risk of transmitting
230 blood-borne infectious agents, e.g., viruses, the variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (vCJD)
231 agent, and, theoretically, the Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (CJD) agent. No cases of transmission
232 of viral diseases, vCJD or CJD have been associated with the use of ANTHRASIL.

233 All infections thought to have been possibly transmitted by this product should be reported
234 by the physician or other health care provider to Cangene Corporation at 1-800-768-2304.

235 **6 ADVERSE REACTIONS**

236 The most common adverse reactions to ANTHRASIL observed in >5% of subjects in the
 237 healthy volunteer clinical trial were headache, infusion site pain, nausea, infusion site
 238 swelling, and back pain. The safety profile of the product may be different in patients with
 239 severe inhalational/systemic anthrax from that seen in the healthy volunteer trial. The
 240 incidence and/or severity of some adverse reactions to ANTHRASIL and other intravenous
 241 immune globulin products may be related to the total protein/polyclonal antibody load
 242 administered.

243 **6.1 Clinical Trials Experience**

244 *Because clinical trials are conducted under widely varying conditions, adverse reaction rates*
 245 *observed in the clinical trials of a drug cannot be directly compared to rates in the clinical*
 246 *trials of another drug and may not reflect the rates observed in practice.*

247 In a double blind, randomized, placebo-controlled study designed to assess the safety and
 248 pharmacokinetics of three doses of ANTHRASIL after a single intravenous infusion in
 249 healthy volunteers, 72 healthy adult subjects were randomized to receive a dose of 210, 420
 250 or 840 units of ANTHRASIL by Toxin Neutralization Assay (TNA) (N=18/dosing group) or
 251 an equal volume of saline placebo (N=6/dosing group). A total of 54 healthy volunteers
 252 received one of the three ANTHRASIL doses while 18 healthy volunteers received a saline
 253 placebo.

254 A second stage of the study, designed only for additional safety assessment, was a
 255 randomized, open-label study in 20 healthy adult volunteers. Subjects were randomized to
 256 receive a dose of 840 units by TNA from one of two additional product lots (10 subjects per
 257 lot). There was no placebo group.

258 **Table 1 Adverse Reactions Observed in >5% of Subjects Administered ANTHRASIL or Placebo in a**
 259 **Healthy Volunteer Clinical Trial**

System Organ Class	Preferred Term	AIGIV Blinded Randomized Group (N=54)			Placebo (N=18)		
		No. of Events	No. of Subjects	% of Subjects	No. of Events	No. of Subjects	% of Subjects
Gastrointestinal disorders	Nausea	5	5	9.3	2	1	5.6
General disorders and administration site conditions	Infusion site pain	7	5	9.3	0	0	0.0
	Infusion site swelling	5	4	7.4	0	0	0.0
Musculoskeletal and connective tissue disorders	Back pain	2	2	3.7	1	1	5.6
Nervous system disorders	Headache	15	11	20.4	3	1	5.6

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261 There were no serious adverse reactions reported in any of the AIGIV or saline placebo
262 control groups in these studies. Non-serious adverse events and adverse reactions were more
263 frequent in the active AIGIV dosage groups than in the subjects administered placebo.

264 Headache and back pain rates occurred in a dose-dependent fashion. Back pain was observed
265 with 840 unit doses in five out of 74 subjects (6.8%).

266 Dose-related elevations in urine glucose also were noted transiently following infusion [See
267 *5.9 Interference with Laboratory Testing*].

268 Infusion of ANTHRASIL was stopped for four subjects due to adverse reactions. One subject
269 was withdrawn due to chest discomfort, flushing, tachycardia and throat tightness.

270 *Patient Experience*

271 Nineteen adult patients with severe systemic anthrax have been dosed with single 420 unit
272 doses of ANTHRASIL and antimicrobial therapy through expanded access use with the
273 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): three patients with inhalational anthrax,
274 15 patients with anthrax due to injection of anthrax-contaminated heroin and one patient with
275 gastrointestinal anthrax.

276 A total of 16 serious adverse reactions that began within 72 hours of infusion were reported
277 for eight out of 19 patients (42%) as follows: acute respiratory distress syndrome (n=2),
278 pulmonary edema, pleural effusion, acute renal insufficiency/failure (n=4), coagulopathy,
279 cardiac arrest/death (not otherwise specified, n=2), hypotension, ascites, metabolic acidosis,
280 hyperkalemia, and edema/peripheral edema.

281 Six deaths were reported including one patient with inhalational anthrax. The cause of death
282 in three of these six expired patients, including the patient who expired with inhalational
283 anthrax, was consistent with progression of anthrax disease or co-morbidities and the cause
284 of death in the remaining three patients was not determined or available.

285 **7 DRUG INTERACTIONS**

286 **7.1 Ciprofloxacin and Levofloxacin**

287 Based on animal studies, ANTHRASIL did not interfere with antibiotic therapy.
288 Concomitant administration of ANTHRASIL with levofloxacin or ciprofloxacin in exposed
289 rabbits and cynomolgus macaques, respectively, did not reduce the efficacy of antibacterial
290 therapy.

291 **7.2 Live, Attenuated Vaccines**

292 Immune globulin administration may impair the efficacy of live attenuated vaccines such as
293 measles, rubella, mumps and varicella. Defer vaccination with live virus vaccines until
294 approximately three months after administration of ANTHRASIL. Revaccinate people who
295 received ANTHRASIL shortly after live virus vaccination three months after the
296 administration of the ANTHRASIL.

297 **8 USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS**

298 **8.1 Pregnancy**

299 *Risk Summary*

300 There are no human data to establish the presence or absence of ANTHRASIL associated
301 risk.

302 **8.2 Lactation**

303 *Risk Summary*

304 There are no data to assess the presence or absence of ANTHRASIL in human milk, the
305 effects on the breastfed child or the effects on milk production/excretion.

306 **8.4 Pediatric Use**

307 Safety and effectiveness of ANTHRASIL in the pediatric population (≤ 16 yrs of age) have
308 not been studied. Allometric scaling was used to derive dosing regimens to provide pediatric
309 patients with exposure comparable to the observed exposure in adults receiving 420 units and
310 840 units. The dose for pediatric patients is based on body weight.

311 **8.5 Geriatric Use**

312 Safety and effectiveness of ANTHRASIL in the geriatric population (>65 yrs of age) have
313 not been studied.

314 **8.6 Renal Insufficiency**

315 Use ANTHRASIL with caution in patients with any degree of pre-existing renal
316 insufficiency and in patients at risk of developing renal insufficiency (including, but not
317 limited to those with diabetes mellitus, age greater than 65 years, volume depletion,
318 paraproteinemia, sepsis, and patients receiving known nephrotoxic drugs), administering at
319 the minimum rate of infusion practicable. Ensure that patients are not volume depleted before
320 ANTHRASIL infusion. Do not exceed the recommended infusion rate, and follow the
321 infusion schedule closely.

322 **8.7 Use in Obese Population**

323 Safety and effectiveness of ANTHRASIL in the obese population have not been studied.

324 **11 DESCRIPTION**

325 ANTHRASIL, Anthrax Immune Globulin Intravenous (Human), is a sterile solution of
326 purified human immune globulin G (IgG) containing polyclonal antibodies that bind the
327 protective antigen (PA) component of *Bacillus anthracis* lethal and edema toxins. It is
328 stabilized with 10% maltose and 0.03% polysorbate 80 (pH is between 5.0 and 6.5) and

329 contains no preservative. The product is a clear or slightly opalescent colorless liquid, free of
330 foreign particles, supplied in a 50 mL vial with variable fill volume. The total protein
331 concentration ranges from 40 to 70 mg per mL. An adult dosage of 420 units (seven vials) of
332 ANTHRASIL contains up to 0.368 g protein per kg body weight, and an adult dosage of
333 840 units (14 vials) contains up to 0.736 g protein per kg body weight. The protein load
334 exposure to pediatric patients due to ANTHRASIL administration may range from 0.32 to
335 1.26 g per kg of body weight, depending on the weight-based pediatric dose.

336 ANTHRASIL is prepared using plasma collected from healthy, screened donors who were
337 immunized with BioThrax[®] (Anthrax Vaccine Adsorbed) to achieve high titers of anti-
338 anthrax antibody (meeting minimum potency specifications) and purified by an anion-
339 exchange column chromatography method. The source plasma is tested by FDA licensed
340 nucleic acid testing (NAT) for human immunodeficiency virus 1 (HIV-1), hepatitis B virus
341 (HBV) and hepatitis C virus (HCV). Plasma also was tested by in-process NAT for
342 hepatitis A virus (HAV) and parvovirus B19 (B19) via minipool testing; the limit for B19 in
343 the manufacturing pool is set not to exceed 10⁴ International Units of B19 DNA per mL.

344 The manufacturing process contains two steps implemented specifically for virus clearance.
345 The solvent and detergent step (using tri-n-butyl phosphate and Triton X-100) is effective in
346 the inactivation of enveloped viruses such as HBV, HCV and HIV. Virus filtration, using a
347 Planova 20N virus filter, is effective for the removal of viruses based on their size, including
348 some non-enveloped viruses. These two viral clearance steps are designed to increase
349 product safety by reducing the risk of transmission of enveloped and non-enveloped viruses.
350 In addition to these two specific steps, the process step of anion-exchange chromatography
351 was identified as contributing to the overall viral clearance capacity for small non-lipid
352 enveloped viruses.

353 The inactivation and reduction of known enveloped and non-enveloped model viruses were
354 validated in laboratory studies as summarized in Table 2. The viruses employed for spiking
355 studies were selected to represent those viruses that are potential contaminants in the product,
356 and to represent a wide range of physiochemical properties in order to challenge the
357 manufacturing process's ability for viral clearance in general.

358 **Table 2 Virus Reduction Values (Log₁₀) Obtained through Validation Studies**

Enveloped	Enveloped			Non-Enveloped			
Genome	RNA		DNA	RNA		DNA	
Virus	HIV-1	BVDV	PRV	HAV	EMC	MMV	PPV
Family	Retrovirus	Flavivirus	Herpes virus	Picornavirus		Parvovirus	
Size (nm)	80–100	50–70	120–200	25–30	30	20–25	18–24
Anion Exchange Chromatography (partitioning)	Not evaluated			2.3	n.e.	3.4	n.e.
20N Filtration (size exclusion)	≥4.7	≥3.5	≥5.6	n.e.	4.8	n.e.	4.1
Solvent/Detergent (inactivation)	≥4.7	≥7.3	≥5.5	Not evaluated			
Total Reduction (log₁₀)	≥9.4	≥10.8	≥11.1	2.3	4.8	3.4	4.1

Abbreviations:

BVDV = Bovine viral diarrhea virus; model virus for hepatitis C virus (HCV) and West Nile virus (WNV)

DNA = Deoxyribonucleic Acid

EMC = Encephalomyocarditis virus; model for HAV and for small non-enveloped viruses in general

HIV-1 = Human immunodeficiency virus-1; relevant virus for HIV-1 and model for HIV-2

HAV = Human hepatitis A virus; relevant virus for HAV and model for small non-enveloped viruses in general

MMV = Murine minute virus; model for human B19 parvovirus and for small non-enveloped viruses in general

n.e. = Not evaluated

PPV = Porcine parvovirus; model for human B19 parvovirus and for small non-enveloped viruses in general

PRV = Pseudorabies virus; model for large enveloped DNA viruses, including herpes

RNA = Ribonucleic Acid

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360 The product potency, as determined by an *in vitro* toxin neutralization assay (TNA), is
 361 expressed in arbitrary units by comparison to a standard calibrated against the Centers for
 362 Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Reference Serum standard. Each vial contains
 363 approximately 40 to 70 mg per mL total protein and ≥60 units of toxin neutralizing activity.
 364 The product contains ≤40 mcg per mL of immune globulin A (IgA) as well as residual
 365 amounts of solvent and detergent, which are used to inactivate lipid-enveloped viruses.

366 **12 CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY**

367 **12.1 Mechanism of Action**

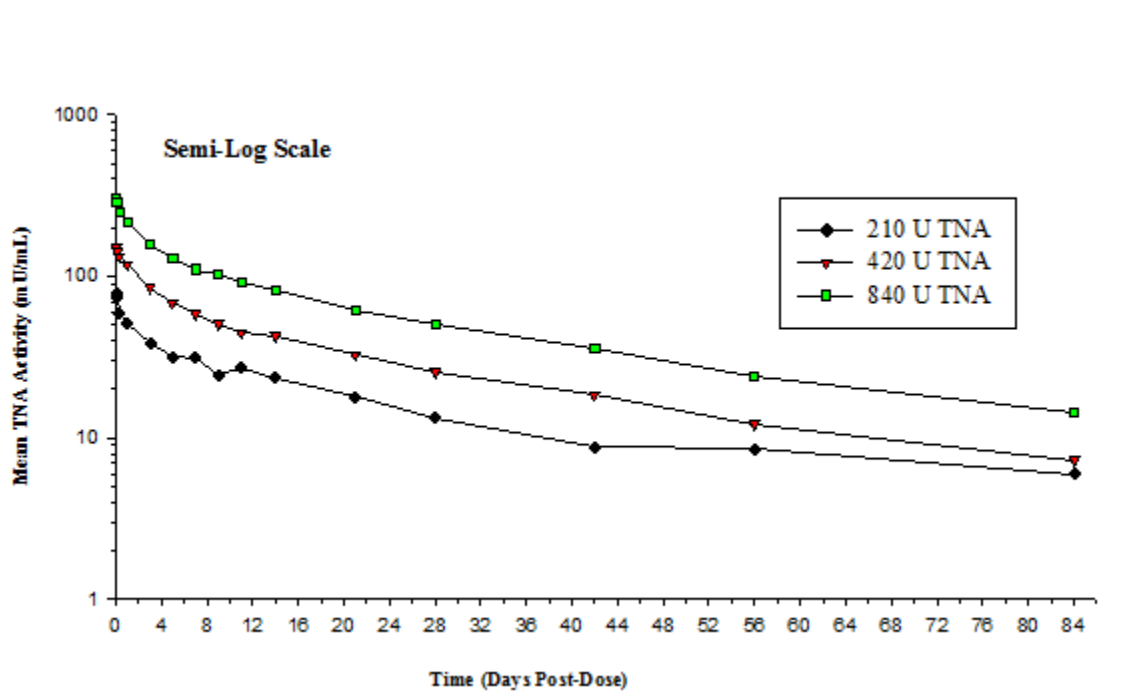
368 The polyclonal immune globulin G in ANTHRASIL is a passive immunizing agent that
 369 neutralizes anthrax toxin. ANTHRASIL binds to protective antigen (PA) to prevent PA
 370 mediated cellular entry of anthrax edema factor and lethal factor. ANTHRASIL is
 371 administered in combination with appropriate antibiotic therapy as the product by itself is not

372 known to have direct antibacterial activity against anthrax bacteria, which otherwise may
373 continue to grow and produce anthrax toxins.

374 12.3 Pharmacokinetics

375 The mean TNA activities for three doses of ANTHRASIL (210, 420 and 840 units TNA) in
376 the clinical trial in healthy volunteers [See 14 CLINICAL STUDIES] are plotted on a semi-
377 log scale in Figure 1. The pharmacokinetics of ANTHRASIL after intravenous infusion of
378 the three dose levels were characterized; the peak levels of ANTHRASIL were reached
379 immediately after infusion and then declined over the duration of study (84 days). The mean
380 TNA activity remained above the lower limit of quantitation (5 milliunits per mL) over the
381 entire 84-day post-dose period for the three doses studied.

382 Figure 1 Mean TNA Activities for Three Doses of ANTHRASIL



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384 A summary of the mean pharmacokinetic results for the TNA data collected in the healthy
385 volunteer study is presented in Table 3.

386 **Table 3 Summary of Mean PK Results by Treatment (TNA Data)**

PK Parameters	Dose Levels					
	210 U TNA	N	420 U TNA	N	840 U TNA	N
Arithmetic Mean (CV%)						
AUC _{0-t} (mU·d/mL)	1031.8 (23.3)	15	2176.7 (18.9)	17	4271.0 (22.3)	16
AUC _{0-∞} (mU·d/mL)	1277.5 (27.7)	7	2536.7 (14.7)	16	4788.8 (26.5)	15
C _{max} (mU/mL)	83.0 (13.4)	15	156.4 (21.7)	17	316.7 (18.3)	16
t _{1/2} (d)	24.3 (33.3)	7	28.3 (19.9)	16	28.0 (25.2)	15
CL (mL/d)	174.2 (24.1)	7	169.7 (17.9)	16	188.6 (29.5)	15
Vd (mL)	5714.8 (11.4)	7	6837.2 (20.4)	16	7238.2 (19.4)	15
Median (Min-Max)						
T _{max} (d)	0.116 (0.109–1.068)	15	0.120 (0.120–0.412)	17	0.169 (0.165–0.459)	16

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388 In comparison to healthy subjects, patients with inhalational anthrax are expected to initially
 389 have greater clearance of anti-PA antibodies and lower AUC from ANTHRASIL
 390 administration due to the presence of PA antigen.

391 Mean PK results (TNA data) were evaluated by sex and revealed no sex-related differences
 392 over the dose range studied. Systemic exposure of ANTHRASIL increased in a dose-
 393 proportional manner over the dose range studied. ANTHRASIL has a serum elimination half-
 394 life of 24 to 28 days in healthy humans.

395 Inhalational anthrax patients, concomitantly treated with antibiotics and a single 420 unit
 396 TNA dose of ANTHRASIL, exhibited increases in serum and pleural anti-PA levels; these
 397 levels remained at >50% of the peak anti-PA levels over the next five days. The peak serum
 398 anti-PA levels in these patients following ANTHRASIL administration (132 to 160 mcg/mL,
 399 mean 145 mcg/mL) overlapped with those obtained with the 420 unit dose in healthy
 400 volunteers (135 to 250 mcg/mL, mean 190 mcg/mL, median 192 mcg/mL), although mean
 401 levels were approximately 25% lower in the inhalational anthrax patients. In the three
 402 inhalational anthrax patients, serum and pleural levels of lethal factor declined after initiation
 403 of antibiotics and further decreased over the period of five days following ANTHRASIL
 404 administration; however, due at least in part to ANTHRASIL targeting the PA component of
 405 lethal toxin, plasma and pleural fluid lethal factor levels remained detectable when measured
 406 two to five days following ANTHRASIL administration.

407 Because the effectiveness of ANTHRASIL cannot ethically be tested in placebo-controlled
 408 trials in humans, a comparison of ANTHRASIL exposures achieved in healthy human
 409 subjects to those observed in animal models of inhalational anthrax in therapeutic efficacy
 410 studies was necessary to support the dosage regimen. A dose of 420 units has a similar
 411 exposure to the efficacious dose of 15 U/kg administered to New Zealand white rabbits and
 412 cynomolgus macaques. In cynomolgus macaques treated with ANTHRASIL monotherapy, a
 413 higher dose of 30 U/kg, with a similar exposure to a human dose of 840 units, may result in

414 improved survival [See 13.2 *Animal Toxicology and/or Pharmacology*]. As a result, the
415 initial dosing regimen is given as a range of 420 to 840 units, and the recommended regimen
416 includes the potential for repeat dosing.

417 **13 NONCLINICAL TOXICOLOGY**

418 Immune globulins are normal constituents of the human body. Toxicology studies have not
419 been performed with ANTHRASIL or its components.

420 The evaluation of new treatment options for anthrax using placebo-controlled human trials is
421 unethical and infeasible. Therefore, the effectiveness of ANTHRASIL for treatment of
422 inhalational anthrax is based on well controlled efficacy studies conducted in rabbits and
423 cynomolgus macaques.

424 **13.2 Animal Toxicology and/or Pharmacology**

425 Anthrax infected New Zealand white rabbits and cynomolgus macaques administered an
426 intravenous injection of ANTHRASIL (15 units TNA per kg) that did not survive their
427 infection showed an increase in the severity and/or incidence of central nervous system
428 lesions (bacteria, hemorrhage and necrosis) as compared to intravenous immune globulin
429 (“placebo”) treated animals who also did not survive the infection. The mean time to death
430 between non-surviving ANTHRASIL and placebo treated animals was comparable.

431 Surviving rabbits had no evidence of central nervous system lesions at the end of the study.
432 No surviving cynomolgus macaques in monotherapeutic studies were tested for central
433 nervous system lesions.

434 *Monotherapeutic Studies in Animal Models*

435 In a monotherapeutic efficacy study, rabbits were exposed to a target dose of 200 x LD₅₀
436 aerosolized anthrax spores and then administered 15 units per kg of ANTHRASIL at the
437 onset of toxemia, as determined by the presence of PA in serum samples. Detection of PA
438 was used as the trigger for initiation of treatment, while bacteremia status provided a
439 retrospective confirmation of disease. Ninety-eight (98) percent of the treated animals were
440 bacteremic prior to treatment. Of the animals that were toxemic and bacteremic prior to
441 treatment, ANTHRASIL treatment resulted in a 26% survival in comparison to a 2% survival
442 with IGIV placebo treatment (Table 4) over the 36 day duration of the study. ANTHRASIL
443 treatment resulted in a significant decrease in the proportion of rabbits that were toxemic or
444 bacteremic. The time to resolution of toxemia (p=0.0006) or bacteremia (p=0.0074) was also
445 significantly reduced in rabbits that received ANTHRASIL.

446 Efficacy of ANTHRASIL was also assessed in cynomolgus macaques exposed to a target
447 dose of 200 x LD₅₀ aerosolized anthrax spores. Treatment with placebo or one of three dose
448 levels of ANTHRASIL was initiated after animals became toxemic (positive for PA detection
449 in serum samples), and bacteremia status provided a retrospective confirmation of disease.
450 Survival was assessed over a period of 88 days in toxemic animals that were confirmed to be
451 bacteremic at the time of treatment. Survival was 0% in placebo treated animals. Animals
452 treated with 7.5 units per kg exhibited 36% survival, those treated with 15 units per kg
453 exhibited 43% survival, and those treated with 30 units per kg exhibited 70% survival (Table

454 4). Compared to placebo, these survival rates were statistically significant at $p=0.0451$,
 455 0.0339, and 0.0031, respectively The differences in survival between the 7.5, 15, and 30 unit
 456 per kg doses of ANTHRASIL were not statistically significant. ANTHRASIL treated animals
 457 showed a statistically significant reduction in anthrax toxin when compared to placebo
 458 treated animals.

459 **Table 4 Survival Rates in NZW Rabbits and Cynomolgus Macaques Treated with ANTHRASIL**

	NZW Rabbits at 36 Days PI		Cynomolgus Macaques at 28 Days PI	
	No. Survivors (%) ^a	p-Value ^b	No. Survivors (%) ^a	p-Value ^c
Placebo	1/48 (2)	–	0/11 (0)	–
ANTHRASIL 7.5 U/kg ^d	–	–	4/11 (36)	0.0451
ANTHRASIL 15 U/kg	13/50 (26)	0.0009	6/14 (43)	0.0339
ANTHRASIL 30 U/kg ^d	–	–	7/10 (70)	0.0031

^a Survival among animals that were bacteremic and toxemic prior to treatment

^b Two-sided Fisher's exact test

^c Bonferroni-Holm adjusted one-sided Fisher's exact test

^d Dose not evaluated in rabbits in this study

PI = Post-infection

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461 *ANTHRASIL Efficacy in Combination with Antibiotics*

462 The efficacy of ANTHRASIL administered with levofloxacin was determined in New
 463 Zealand white rabbits with systemic disease. No significant difference between the control
 464 (normal immune globulin [IGIV] plus levofloxacin) and treatment groups (ANTHRASIL
 465 plus levofloxacin) was seen when combination treatment was delayed up to 60 hours post-
 466 challenge. There was no observed antagonism between levofloxacin and ANTHRASIL in
 467 this study. This study also supported that ANTHRASIL effectively cleared toxemia when
 468 administered with antibiotics. In ANTHRASIL treated groups, all animals cleared PA
 469 toxemia post-ANTHRASIL administration and only 4/31 (13%) of ANTHRASIL treated
 470 animals exhibited a single transient positive PA result for toxemia at the 12 or 18 hour time
 471 point post-dosing. Placebo control animals exhibited more persistent toxemia, with 26/32
 472 (81%) having positive PA results for 18 to 90 hours post-treatment.

473 In a second study, treatment was delayed beyond 60 hours to simulate a clinical scenario.
 474 When combination treatment was initiated at 60, 72, 84 or 96 hours post anthrax exposure,
 475 differences in survival were seen, but no statistically significant added survival benefit was
 476 observed between groups that received placebo (IGIV plus levofloxacin) or ANTHRASIL
 477 (15 units per kg plus levofloxacin). An increase in survival was observed with ANTHRASIL
 478 when treatment was delayed to 96 hours post exposure, but was not statistically significant.
 479 When treatment was delayed to 96 hours, survival was 25% (2/8) in the antibiotic plus IGIV
 480 control group and 71% (5/7) in the ANTHRASIL plus levofloxacin group. A marginal
 481 improvement of 10 to 15% was observed at other time points, suggesting a trend in added
 482 benefit with ANTHRASIL. This study also demonstrated a significant effect of
 483 ANTHRASIL on toxemia. The majority of ANTHRASIL treated animals became negative

484 for PA (toxemia) within one hour post-infusion of ANTHRASIL and remained negative,
485 even with the delayed treatment from 60 to 96 hours post-anthrax challenge and high levels
486 of toxemia pretreatment. In contrast, placebo treated animals remained toxemic up to three
487 days after initiating antibiotic treatment.

488 The efficacy of ANTHRASIL co-administered with levofloxacin was evaluated in New
489 Zealand white rabbits when treatment was delayed to 96 hours after anthrax spore inhalation.
490 The dose of levofloxacin was chosen to yield a comparable exposure to that achieved by the
491 recommended dose in humans. Of the animals that survived to be treated (19% of those
492 challenged), antibacterial drug plus ANTHRASIL (15 units per kg) resulted in 58% (18/31)
493 survival compared to 39% (13/33) survival in rabbits treated with antibacterial drug and
494 IGIV placebo (p=0.14, Z-test).

495 When animals were stratified by pre-treatment toxemia (PA) in a post hoc analysis, added
496 benefit was observed in animals treated with ANTHRASIL and levofloxacin when they had
497 pre-treatment PA levels between 200 and 800 ng/mL (p=0.02, Fisher's exact test). When pre-
498 treatment toxemia was low (PA <200 ng/mL), survival was greater than 90% in all animals,
499 regardless of treatment (Table 5). Animals with very high levels of toxemia (>800 ng/mL)
500 did not survive irrespective of the treatment administered.

501 **Table 5 Survival Rates in New Zealand White Rabbits Stratified by Pre-treatment PA Levels**

Pre-treatment PA (ng/mL)	IGIV Placebo + Levofloxacin (%)	ANTHRASIL + Levofloxacin (%)
<200	11/12 (91.7)	8/9 (88.9)
200–800	2/11 (18.2)	10/14 (71.4)
>800	0/10 (0)	0/8 (0)
All pre-treatment PA levels	13/33 (39.4)	18/31 (58.1)

502

503 ANTHRASIL and antibiotic combination treatment was also studied in the cynomolgus
504 macaque model of inhalational anthrax. In this study, delay of initiation of treatment to
505 64 hours post anthrax exposure resulted in 75% (9/12) survival in the placebo plus
506 ciprofloxacin treatment group versus 83% (10/12) survival in the ANTHRASIL (15 units per
507 kg) plus ciprofloxacin group (p=1).

508 No antagonism of ANTHRASIL when administered with antibiotic as a concomitant therapy
509 was observed.

510 *ANTHRASIL in Post-exposure Prophylaxis*

511 A post exposure prophylactic study assessed the survival following aerosol exposure to a
512 lethal dose of anthrax spores (200 x LD₅₀) in New Zealand white rabbits administered
513 ANTHRASIL (7.5, 15 or 30 units TNA per kg) at 30 hours post-anthrax challenge compared
514 to placebo controls. All three doses of ANTHRASIL improved survival when given 30 hours
515 post-anthrax challenge. When animals that were both bacteremic and toxemic were treated at
516 30 hours following challenge, there was a 22% (2/9) survival with a dose of 15 units TNA
517 per kg and a 33% (4/12) survival with a dose of 30 units TNA per kg. All rabbits in the
518 placebo arm died.

519 **14 CLINICAL STUDIES**

520 Because it is not ethical or feasible to conduct placebo-controlled clinical trials in humans
521 with inhalational anthrax, the effectiveness of ANTHRASIL is based on efficacy studies
522 demonstrating a survival benefit in animal models of inhalational anthrax infection [See
523 *13.2 Animal Toxicology and/or Pharmacology*]. The safety has been assessed in healthy
524 adults and in a limited number of patients with anthrax who were treated with ANTHRASIL
525 under expanded access use.

526 *Safety and Pharmacokinetics of ANTHRASIL in Healthy Volunteers*

527 In a double blind, randomized, placebo-controlled study designed to assess the safety and
528 pharmacokinetics of three doses of ANTHRASIL after a single intravenous infusion in
529 healthy volunteers, a total of 72 healthy adult subjects were randomized to receive a dose of
530 210, 420 or 840 units of ANTHRASIL by TNA (N=18/dosing group) or an equal volume of
531 saline placebo (N=6/dosing group).

532 A second stage of this study, designed only for additional safety assessment, was a
533 randomized, open-label study in 20 healthy adult volunteers. Subjects were randomized to
534 receive a dose of 840 units by TNA from one of two additional product lots (10 subjects per
535 lot). There was no placebo group [See 6 *ADVERSE REACTIONS* and
536 *12.3 Pharmacokinetics*].

537 *Patient Experience*

538 Nineteen adult patients have been treated with ANTHRASIL under expanded access use,
539 including three patients with inhalational anthrax, one patient with gastrointestinal anthrax
540 and 15 patients with injectional anthrax due to injection of anthrax-contaminated heroin.
541 Patients were receiving antimicrobial therapy before, during and after ANTHRASIL
542 administration.

543 In patients with inhalational anthrax, two out of three patients treated with ANTHRASIL plus
544 antimicrobial therapy survived and one died from progression of anthrax disease, systemic
545 candidiasis and multiorgan failure. Among the 15 patients with injectional anthrax treated
546 with ANTHRASIL plus antibiotics, 10 survived and five died (two from progression of
547 anthrax disease; the cause of death was not determined or available for three patients). The
548 single patient with gastrointestinal anthrax treated with ANTHRASIL survived. Therapy for
549 these systemic anthrax cases included aggressive supportive measures including mechanical
550 ventilation and pulmonary/abdominal fluid drainage.

551 In the three inhalational patients, the ANTHRASIL dose of 420 units by TNA resulted in
552 increased anti-PA levels (correlating with increased TNA activity); these levels remained
553 stable up to seven to 20 days post-administration, probably reflecting the rising antibody
554 production by the patient at the same time that the exogenously-administered antibody was
555 being cleared.

556 In some injectional anthrax cases, complicated by hemorrhage and pleural and/or peritoneal
557 fluid losses from thoracentesis and/or paracentesis, serum anti-PA antibody levels fell as
558 much as approximately 90% from their post-ANTHRASIL peak levels by 24 hours following
559 ANTHRASIL administration. In the gastrointestinal anthrax patient, serum anti-PA levels

560 were observed prior to ANTHRASIL infusion with further increases in anti-PA levels post-
561 administration and maintenance of anti-PA above pre-administration levels for 11 days was
562 observed.

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570 **16 HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING**

571 **16.1 How Supplied**

572 NDC 60492-0249-1 for single vial

573 NDC 60492-0249-2 for shelf carton containing six vials

574 ANTHRASIL is supplied as a 50 mL single dose vial seated with a butyl rubber stopper and
575 an aluminum seal with a plastic flip-top cap. Each vial, regardless of fill volume, contains
576 ≥ 60 units. It is packaged in a shelf carton with six vials and a package insert.

577 ANTHRASIL does not contain natural rubber latex.

578 **16.2 Storage and Handling**

579 Store frozen at or below $\leq -15^{\circ}\text{C}$ ($\leq 5^{\circ}\text{F}$) until required for use. Do not use after expiration
580 date.

581 Once punctured, use the vial contents to prepare the infusion bag and infuse as soon as
582 possible. ANTHRASIL contains no preservative.

583 Do not refreeze, reuse or save ANTHRASIL for future use.

584 Discard any partially used vials.

585 **17 PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION**

586 See FDA-approved patient labeling (Patient Information).

587 Discuss the risks and benefits of this product with the patient or their legally authorized
588 representative before administering it to the patient.

- 589 • Inform patients of the potential for hypersensitivity reactions, especially in individuals
590 with previous reactions to human immune globulin and in individuals deficient in IgA.
591 Advise patients to be aware of the following symptoms associated with allergic reactions:

592 hives, rash, chest tightness, wheezing, shortness of breath, or feeling light headed or
593 dizzy when they stand. Patients should be cautioned to seek medical attention
594 immediately should they experience any one or more of the above mentioned symptoms,
595 as well as other side effects including injection site pain, chills, fever, headache, nausea,
596 vomiting, and joint pain.

- 597 • Advise patients that the maltose contained in ANTHRASIL can interfere with some types
598 of blood glucose monitoring systems. Advise patients to use only testing systems that are
599 glucose-specific for monitoring blood glucose levels as the interference of maltose could
600 result in falsely elevated glucose readings that could lead to untreated hypoglycemia or to
601 inappropriate insulin administration, resulting in life-threatening hypoglycemia.
- 602 • Inform patients that ANTHRASIL is an immune globulin product; therefore, there is the
603 potential risk of developing other reactions observed with the immunoglobulin product
604 class such as thrombosis, hemolysis, aseptic meningitis syndrome (AMS), transfusion-
605 related acute lung injury (TRALI), acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS) and acute
606 renal dysfunction or failure.
- 607 • Advise patients that ANTHRASIL may impair the effectiveness of certain live virus
608 vaccines such as measles, rubella (i.e. German measles), mumps, and varicella (i.e.
609 chickenpox).
- 610 • Inform patients that ANTHRASIL is prepared from human plasma. Products made from
611 human plasma may contain infectious agents such as viruses that can cause disease.
- 612 • Inform patients that the efficacy of ANTHRASIL is based solely on efficacy studies
613 demonstrating a survival benefit in animals and that the effectiveness of ANTHRASIL
614 has not been tested in humans with anthrax. The safety of ANTHRASIL has been tested
615 in healthy adults.

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PATIENT INFORMATION

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623 ANTHRASIL [Anthrax Immune Globulin Intravenous (Human)]

624 **What is anthrax?**

625 Anthrax is a serious disease caused by a germ called *Bacillus anthracis*. This germ makes a
626 poison called a toxin. People who are exposed to anthrax germs are at risk of serious illness,
627 including death. You/your child cannot get anthrax from another person. Symptoms of
628 anthrax disease usually start within seven days of breathing in anthrax germs, but can take up
629 to six or seven weeks to appear.

- 630 • Early symptoms can be any of the following: fever, chills, tiredness, cough, muscle aches
631 and headache.
- 632 • Later symptoms can be any of the following: shortness of breath, chest discomfort,
633 confusion or nausea.

634 **What is ANTHRASIL?**

635 Medicines like antibiotics can kill anthrax germs. However, the anthrax poison (toxin) may
636 continue to cause severe sickness even after the germs are gone. When someone gets the
637 anthrax vaccine, their body's immune system makes antibodies against anthrax. Antibodies
638 help to fight off disease and can also help to fight off the anthrax poison.

639 ANTHRASIL [Anthrax Immune Globulin Intravenous (Human)] is made by taking anthrax
640 antibodies from well people who have been vaccinated. It does not contain the anthrax germ
641 or poison. The antibodies in ANTHRASIL can then be given to someone with anthrax. This
642 may make the sick person's disease less severe, decrease the duration of illness and increase
643 their chance of surviving.

644 The effectiveness of ANTHRASIL has been studied only in animals.

645 The safety of ANTHRASIL was studied in healthy adults. There have been no studies of
646 ANTHRASIL in persons less than 17 years of age.

647 **Who should use ANTHRASIL?**

648 Your doctor may give you ANTHRASIL if they suspect that you/your child have been
649 exposed to anthrax and may have anthrax in your lungs.

650 You should get the treatment as quickly as possible to stop the progression of the illness.

651 **Before you receive ANTHRASIL, tell your healthcare provider about all of your** 652 **medical conditions, including if you are:**

- 653 • Allergic to any of the ingredients in ANTHRASIL
- 654 • Deficient for immune globulin A (IgA)
- 655 • Pregnant or planning to become pregnant. It is not known if ANTHRASIL will harm
656 your unborn baby.

657 • Breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed. It is not known if ANTHRASIL passes into your
658 breast milk. You and your healthcare provider should decide if you will receive
659 ANTHRASIL or breastfeed.

660 • Diabetic. ANTHRASIL contains maltose, which can give false readings on some
661 glucose testing meters. If you are diabetic, ask your doctor what types of glucose
662 testing meters can be used safely while you are getting ANTHRASIL.

663 Tell your healthcare provider about all the medicines you take, including prescription and
664 non-prescription medicines, vitamins and herbal supplements.

665 **How will you receive ANTHRASIL?**

666 ANTHRASIL is given as an infusion into your vein. Your doctor will determine the dose of
667 ANTHRASIL. The treatment may take several hours to administer. Your doctor will decide
668 if you need more than one infusion.

669 **What are the possible side effects of ANTHRASIL?**

670 The most common side effects of ANTHRASIL are:

- 671 • Headache
- 672 • Pain at site of needle entry
- 673 • Nausea
- 674 • Swelling at site of needle entry
- 675 • Back pain

676 ANTHRASIL can cause allergic reactions. Tell your doctor right away if you have trouble
677 breathing, swelling of your tongue or lips, a very fast heart rate, or feel very weak because
678 these symptoms can be signs of a serious allergic reaction.

679 Talk to your doctor about any side effects that concern you. You can ask your doctor for
680 additional prescribing information that is available to healthcare professionals.

681 **What other information do you need to know about ANTHRASIL?**

682 ANTHRASIL is made from human plasma. The plasma donors are carefully screened and
683 the plasma is carefully cleaned, but there is a small risk that it may give you a virus. Talk to
684 your doctor if you have any symptoms that concern you.

685 Tell your doctor if you have recently received a vaccine of any sort, or plan to be vaccinated.
686 Use of ANTHRASIL may cause vaccines such as measles, rubella, mumps and varicella to
687 not work as well. Vaccination with some vaccines may need to be delayed until
688 approximately three months after use of ANTHRASIL. If you received ANTHRASIL shortly
689 after a vaccination you may need to be re-vaccinated three months after the administration of
690 the ANTHRASIL. Talk to your doctor.

691 You may report side effects directly to Cangene Corporation at 1-800-768-2304 or to the
692 FDA's MedWatch reporting system at 1-800-FDA-1088.

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