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Valued Customer:

The purpose of this message is to inform you that Bracco Diagnostics Inc. has made significant efforts with our manufacturing partners to support a consistent robust supply of KINEVAC® (Sinalide for Injection). Bracco has sufficient inventory to meet the demand of your clinical needs.

We recognize that Kinevac is critical to hepatobiliary scintigraphy. Recognition of this critical need not only comes from you, our customers, but is supported by the clinical literature as well. It is well documented as the most widely studied gallbladder stimulant, with over 250 clinical publications.

Although there are no equivalent substitute products for Kinevac, we are aware some imaging departments modified their protocols to use a ‘fatty meal’ to stimulate gallbladder contraction. Literature supports that Kinevac provides a greater and less variable gallbladder ejection fraction (GBEF) versus a fatty meal.\(^1\) In addition, use of a fatty meal requires longer duration of data collection, which can reduce patient throughput.\(^1\) The SNM Practice Guideline for Hepatobiliary Scintigraphy 4.0* acknowledges that GBEF measurement using a fatty meal challenge has been utilized but has greater variability than sincalide methodology.\(^2\)

Bracco is committed to you and your hepatobiliary imaging needs as a supplier of Kinevac and CHOLETEC® (Kit for the Preparation of Technetium Tc 99m Mebrofenin). Please see Indications and usage and important safety information below. In addition, it is important to note that each vial of Kinevac is “single use” only.

Please contact your local Triad Isotopes pharmacy or Triad Isotopes Director of Sales to order Kinevac.

Thank you for your continued support of Bracco and our products.

Regards,

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**Kinevac Indications and Usage:**
Kinevac may be used: (1) to stimulate gallbladder contraction, as may be assessed by various methods of diagnostic imaging, or to obtain by duodenal aspiration a sample of concentrated bile for analysis of cholesterol, bile salts, phospholipids, and crystals; (2) to stimulate pancreatic secretion (especially in conjunction with secretin) prior to obtaining a duodenal aspirate for analysis of enzyme activity, composition, and cytology; (3) to accelerate the transit of a barium meal through the small bowel, thereby decreasing the time and extent of radiation associated with fluoroscopy and x-ray examination of the intestinal tract.

**Kinevac IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION:**
Kinevac is contraindicated in patients hypersensitive to sincalide and in patients with intestinal obstruction. Because of Kinevac's effect on smooth muscle, pregnant patients should be advised that spontaneous abortion or premature induction of labor may occur. Adverse reactions to sincalide are generally mild and of short duration. The most frequent adverse reactions were abdominal discomfort or pain, and nausea.

Please see full Prescribing Information.

**Choletec Indications and Usage:**
Choletec is a radiopharmaceutical hepatobiliary imaging agent.

**Choletec IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION:**
Choletec is contraindicated in patients hypersensitive to mebrofenin. As is the case with the use of any radioactive material, care should be taken to minimize radiation exposure to the patient consistent with proper patient management, and to ensure minimum radiation exposure to occupational workers. Radiopharmaceuticals should be used only by physicians who are qualified by training and experience in the safe use and handling of radionuclides, and whose experience and training have been approved by the appropriate government agency authorized to license the use of radionuclides.

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You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit [www.fda.gov/medwatch or call 1-800-FDA-1088](http://www.fda.gov/medwatch or call 1-800-FDA-1088).

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