



Monovisc[®]

Hyaluronic Acid single injection

FAQ

What is Monovisc[®]?

Monovisc is a single-injection treatment made from ultra-pure hyaluronic acid. It supplements the natural HA in your joint to restore lubrication and provide mechanical support which cushions your joint and helps to relieve osteoarthritis pain.

How does it work?

Hyaluronic acid (HA) is vital for maintaining the function and elasticity of the synovial fluid in human joints. Osteoarthritis (OA) causes the natural HA to break down, leaving lower concentrations of HA in the synovial fluid. Monovisc is designed to supplement the reduced amount of natural HA in synovial fluid in osteoarthritic joints and allows for long-term relief of the symptoms of OA through lubrication and mechanical support.

Can I receive Monovisc if I have other medical conditions?

You should not receive Monovisc if you have a joint infection, skin infection near the injection site, or certain allergies, for example, to gram-positive bacterial proteins.

What can I expect from the procedure?

Monovisc is injected directly into the joint space where it supplements the hyaluronic acid (HA) in the synovial fluid. It is a simple procedure that may be done in a physician's office.

Can I be active after the injection?

It's usually recommended to avoid strenuous activity for 48 hours post-injection. Your doctor will provide specific guidance.

Are there side effects?

In a Monovisc clinical study, a low number of patients experienced minor side effects. All were common side effects seen with viscosupplement injections, including injection site pain, joint pain, rash, redness or swelling, and all were resolved naturally without treatment.¹ For additional details and information about the product, please refer to the Instructions for Use.

When can I expect to feel pain relief?

Every patient's experience is slightly different but many patients begin to feel relief within 2 weeks, with continued improvement over time.¹

How long does it last?

In a Monovisc clinical study, significant knee pain relief was sustained through six months¹. Although there were no time points measured after 26 weeks, a further study showed that the effects of Monovisc lasted out to nine months, allowing patients to continue to experience maximum pain relief.²

Can I get repeat injections?

Yes. The safety of receiving a repeat injection of Monovisc was confirmed in a follow-up clinical study. In this study, patients received a second injection six months after their initial injection of Monovisc. Repeated treatments can be performed as directed by a physician.³

Who should consider a Monovisc injection?

Patients who have mild to moderate osteoarthritis (OA) and whose conservative treatments such as lifestyle changes or pain medications no longer effectively manage their pain due to OA may benefit from a Monovisc injection. Monovisc is designed for patients who want to remain active, prefer a single-visit treatment, or are looking to delay reconstructive surgery.

What is Monovisc made from?

Monovisc is a transparent gel that contains natural, non-animal sourced hyaluronic acid (HA).

What is a hyaluronic acid viscosupplement?

Viscosupplementation is a procedure where hyaluronic acid (HA) is injected into the synovial fluid surrounding the joint for the treatment of the pain associated with OA. In osteoarthritic joints, the natural HA found in the synovial fluid, the thick liquid that helps lubricate and cushion the joint, begins to break down. As a result, the synovial fluid becomes thinner and less effective at cushioning and lubricating the joint, causing pain, swelling, and loss of motion. Hyaluronic acid viscosupplements are designed to replace some of the natural HA that has been lost due to OA, providing pain relief, joint lubrication, and increased mobility.

The Patient Experience

Monovisc® is a simple, physician-administered injection that delivers long-lasting pain relief for osteoarthritis so patients can once again enjoy daily physical activities with reduced pain.

Simple Procedure

Monovisc is a simple injection that may be done in the convenience of a clinician's office. The physician injects Monovisc directly into the joint space where it combines with the synovial fluid to relieve the pain of osteoarthritis (OA) in the joint.

Monovisc has been specially formulated as a single-injection procedure. Unlike other hyaluronic acid (HA) viscosupplementation treatment regimens that may require up to five injections, Monovisc only requires a single injection to achieve long-lasting pain relief.^{1,2}

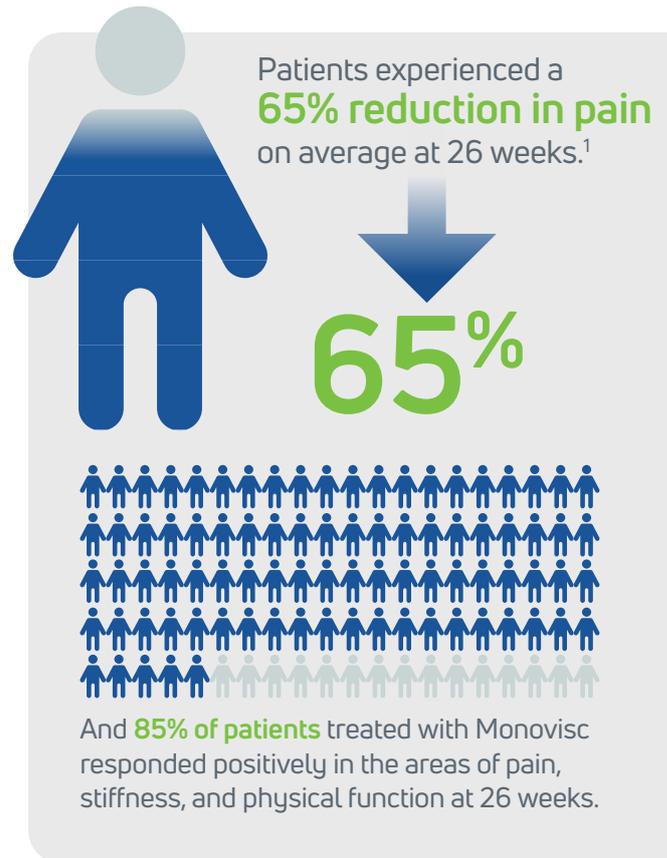
The Monovisc injection may be administered by an orthopaedic surgeon, rheumatologist, or other qualified health professional.

How Quickly Will Pain Relief Occur?

Every patient's experience is slightly different. For some, pain relief for osteoarthritis happens within a few days while it may take a couple of weeks for others. In a clinical study, Monovisc patients experienced statistically significant reduction in knee pain in the first two weeks.¹

How Long Will Pain Relief Last?

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1. Stephanie C. Petterson, Kevin D. Plancher Single intra-articular injection of lightly crosslinked hyaluronic acid reduces knee pain in symptomatic knee osteoarthritis: a multicenter, double-blind, randomized, placebo-controlled trial; Knee Surgery, Sports Traumatology, Arthroscopy 2.17-02 Data on file 3. Monovisc IFU AML-3000172 REV A

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