

Subject: Enhanced Octaplasma® Labels for Canadian Customers: A Response to Your Feedback

Dear Health Care Professionals,

Octapharma Canada is excited to share a significant update that directly responds to the valuable feedback we received during the launch phase of Octaplasma®. We are committed to continuously improving our products and services to meet the needs of our customers and ultimately, the patients we serve.

We are pleased to announce that, effective December 22, 2023, all Octaplasma® (S/D Treated Plasma (Human)) bag labels have been enhanced to include scannable bar codes. These upgrades automate the entry of bag-specific product information, such as the ISBT batch number, bag number, and batch expiry date. This change is designed to streamline processes within your facilities, enhancing efficiency and safety in handling our products.

Health Canada approved these revised labels on July 28, 2023, marking a significant milestone in our efforts to implement your suggestions. The distribution of Octaplasma® featuring these new, user-friendly labels will commence on February 27, 2024.

Revised Bar-Coded Information Highlights:

- **Enhanced Accessibility:** Each Octaplasma® bag now consists three additional scannable bar codes, encoding the ISBT batch number, bag number, and batch expiry date.
- **Ease of Use:** Individual bar codes can be scanned separately, providing quick access to the essential bag-specific information.
- **Consistency Across Products:** These scannable bar codes will be featured on all Octaplasma® bags, across all blood group types (O, A, B, and AB), with a uniform location and format.

We have included a side-by-side comparison of the current and new labels in this communication for your reference. The new labels have been thoughtfully designed with feedback from Canadian

Hospital customers, ensuring that the changes meet the practical needs of healthcare professionals across Canada.

Comparison of Current Labels and New Labels with Bar Coded Bag-Specific Information:

Current Labels:

Imported and Distributed by /
Importé et distribué par:
Octapharma Canada Inc.,
Toronto, ON, M5L 1G1, Canada

2010537-404

X0001000 5500

Lot No: Expiry Date:

octaplasma™ **DIN 02270013**

Solvent/Detergent (S/D) treated Human Plasma
Plasma humain traité par Solvant/Détergent (S/D)
Frozen / Congelé

200 ml solution for intravenous infusion only / 200 ml de solution pour infusion intraveineuse uniquement.
One bag contains: Human plasma proteins 9,0 g to 14,0 g, **Preservative-free.**
Store: Frozen at less than or equal to -18 °C. Protect from light. Do NOT use if solution is cloudy or has deposits. Keep out of reach and sight of children. **After thawing:** Store up to 5 days at 2 to 8°C or up to 8 hours at 20 to 25°C before use. Do NOT refreeze. Discard unused product.
Dosage and Administration: See package insert. / **Posologie et administration:** Voir la notice d'utilisation.

Manufactured by / Fabriqué par :
Octapharma Pharmazeutika
Oberlaaerstr. 235,
A-1100 Vienna, Austria

octaplasma™ Blood Group 0, 200 ml
Lot No. / Expiry Date:
Lot EXP

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New Labels:

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Importé et distribué par:
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Toronto, ON, M5L 1G1, Canada

2010537-404

X0001 07 123456 818 AywwXzzz1

0390722359

X0001000 5500

Lot No: Expiry Date: YYY Y / MM

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Variable Data Assigned to each Bar Code on New Labels:

(for placement of the bar codes please refer to mock-up above)

	ISBT Code 128 Bag number
	ISBT Code 128 expiry date in format &> Julian date+time (&>0390722359)
AywwXzzz1	Batch number
Y Y Y Y / M M	Expiry Date =date of production + 48 months (not the last day of the month of expiration)
	ISBT Code 128 Batch-Number

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Inventory Update:

Please be aware that the first batches of Octaplasma® featuring the new scannable bar codes are detailed in Table 1 below. These batches, manufactured in December 2023 with an expiry date of December 2027, are the first to incorporate this significant enhancement. Going forward, all Octaplasma® batches labeled with an expiry date of January 2028 or later will contain the new bar codes.

Table 1. indicates the first batches that will be received with the new scannable bar codes.

Description	Batch Number	Labelled Expiry Date	Manufacturing Date
Octaplasma® O	M351F9521	12/2027	12/2023
Octaplasma® O	M352D9521	12/2027	12/2023
Octaplasma® A	M352C9521	12/2027	12/2023

Our Commitment:

This label enhancement initiative underscores our dedication to listening to and acting upon the feedback from our Canadian customers. By integrating your insights into our operations, we aim to contribute positively to the efficiency and safety of healthcare delivery in Canada.

For any further information or to request an Octaplasma® in-service, please reach out to us via email at info.canada@octapharma.com or call 1-888-438-0488. For complete prescribing information, refer to the complete Octaplasma® Product Monograph, which, along with additional information, can be found on www.octaplasma.ca.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. We look forward to serving you better with these continuous improvements.

Sri Adapa
General Manager