

**MYOBLOC®**  
rimabotulinumtoxinB  
Injection [5,000 Units/mL]

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# INJECTION TRAINING RESOURCE GUIDE

## INDICATION

MYOBLOC® injection is indicated for the treatment of cervical dystonia (CD) to reduce the severity of abnormal head position and neck pain associated with CD in adults.

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

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## WHAT CAN I LEARN FROM THIS GUIDE?

This Injection Training Resource Guide provides important information on cervical dystonia (CD) and how MYOBLOC® is a first-line treatment option<sup>1</sup> that was proven to be an effective treatment for CD.<sup>2</sup> You will learn about the different muscles involved in CD and techniques for approaching a patient's treatment.

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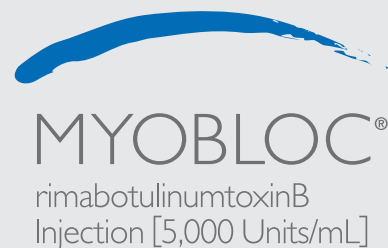
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#### CONTRAINDICATIONS

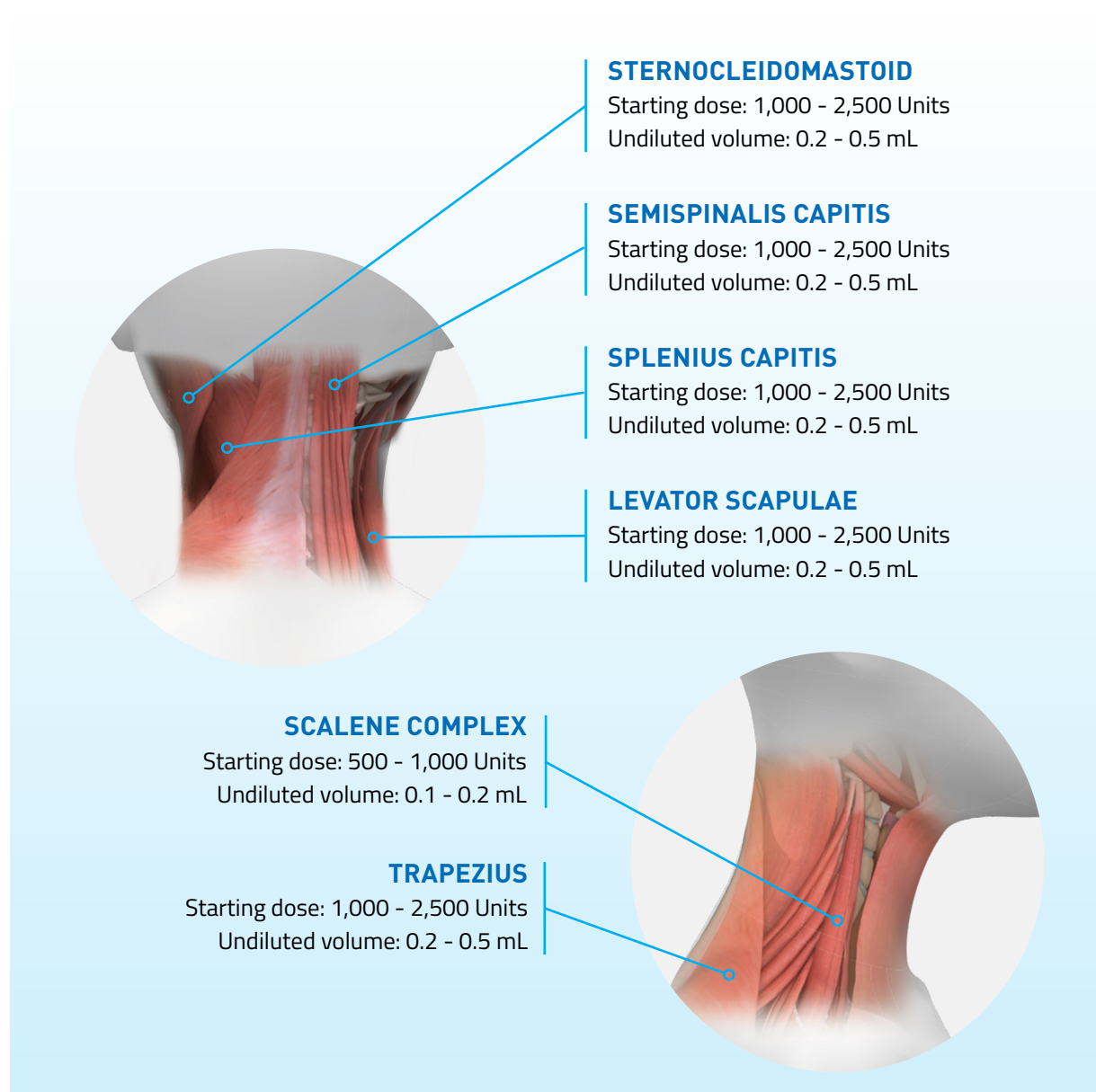
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# SYRINGE-READY WITH FLEXIBLE DOSING



DOSING IS BASED ON CLINICAL TRIALS  
TOTAL DOSE DIVIDED AMONG 2 TO 4 AFFECTED MUSCLES<sup>2,3</sup>



SYRINGE-READY WITH FLEXIBLE DOSING - (continued)

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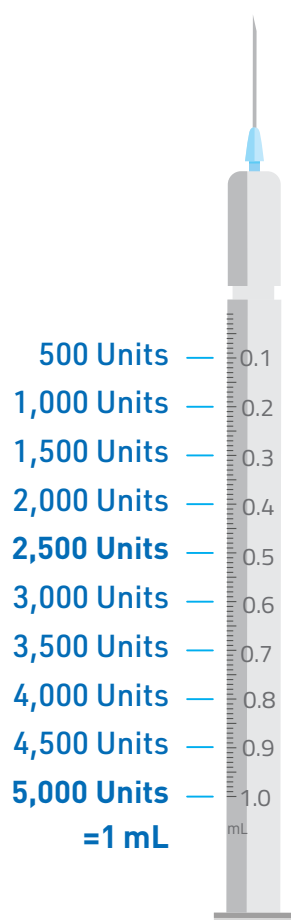
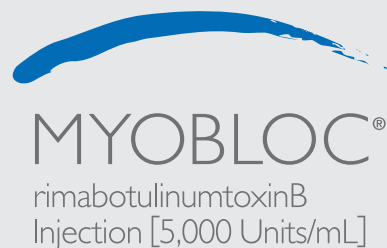
### INSTRUCTIONS FOR SAFE USE

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## DOSING RECOMMENDATIONS:

- The recommended initial total dose of MYOBLOC for patients with a prior history of tolerating botulinum toxin injections is 2,500 to 5,000 Units, divided among affected muscles<sup>2</sup>
- The dosing recommendations on page 2 are based on controlled clinical trials in which 5,000 Units of MYOBLOC were divided among 2 to 4 affected muscles<sup>3</sup>
- Patients without a prior history of tolerating botulinum toxin injections should receive a lower initial dose<sup>2</sup>
- Subsequent dosing should be determined by the patient's individual response<sup>2</sup>

## DOSING CONSIDERATIONS:

- Patient weight and muscle bulk
- Cervical dystonia symptom severity
- Risk of swallowing or breathing difficulties in patients with neuromuscular disorders<sup>2</sup>
- Reduction of dosage is called for in patients with smaller neck muscles and who require bilateral injections into the sternocleidomastoid
- The duration of effect has been observed in studies to be between 12 and 16 weeks at doses of 5,000 Units or 10,000 Units<sup>2</sup>

## FOUR MOST COMMON POSTURES IN CD

Patients may present with a combination of postures, as well as sustained or jerky movements.



### ANTEROCOLLIS (flexion)

#### Forward head posturing

##### Primary Muscles

Scalene complex

##### Secondary Muscles

Bilateral sternocleidomastoid (SCM)

### LATEROCOLLIS (lateral tilt)

#### Turning, flexing, or extending of the neck to the side

##### Primary Muscles

Splenius capitis  
Levator scapulae  
Longissimus  
SCM

##### Secondary Muscles

Ipsilateral scalene complex  
Splenius cervicis



COMMON POSTURES IN CD - (continued)

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### WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS (cont'd)

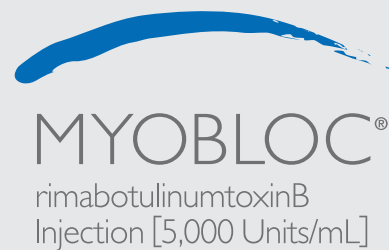
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# COMMON POSTURES<sup>4,5</sup>



## TORTICOLLIS (rotation)

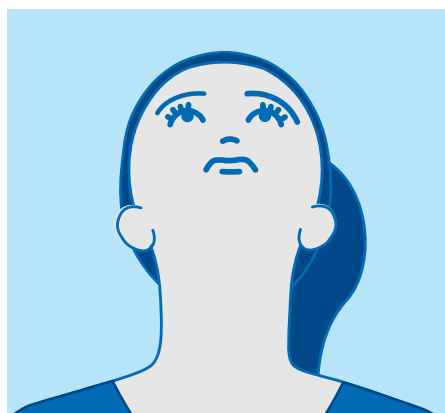
**Sideways or lateral rotation of the head and twisting of the neck**

### Primary Muscles

Ipsilateral splenius capitis  
Contralateral SCM  
Splenius cervicis  
Levator scapulae

### Secondary Muscles

Inferior oblique longus capitis  
Ipsilateral longissimus  
Ipsilateral semispinalis  
Longus capitis  
Trapezius



## RETROCOLLIS (extension)

**Backward head posturing**

### Primary Muscles

Bilateral splenius capitis  
Levator scapulae  
Longissimus  
Semispinalis capitis

### Secondary Muscles

Bilateral trapezius  
Splenius cervicis

## SPLenius CERVICIS

### Primary function(s):

Laterally bends and rotates head to side of active muscles; bilateral activation extends head and neck

### Postures:

Laterocollis, retrocollis, torticollis



The full Prescribing Information does not offer dosing guidelines on the splenius cervicis.\*

Origin	Localization	Insertion
Inferior half of ligamentum nuchae and spinous processes of C7 to T4 vertebrae	At its inferior portion, the splenius cervicis muscle meshes with the splenius capitis/torticollis	Posterior tubercles of transverse processes of C1 to C4 vertebrae

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MUSCLES INVOLVED IN CD - (continued)

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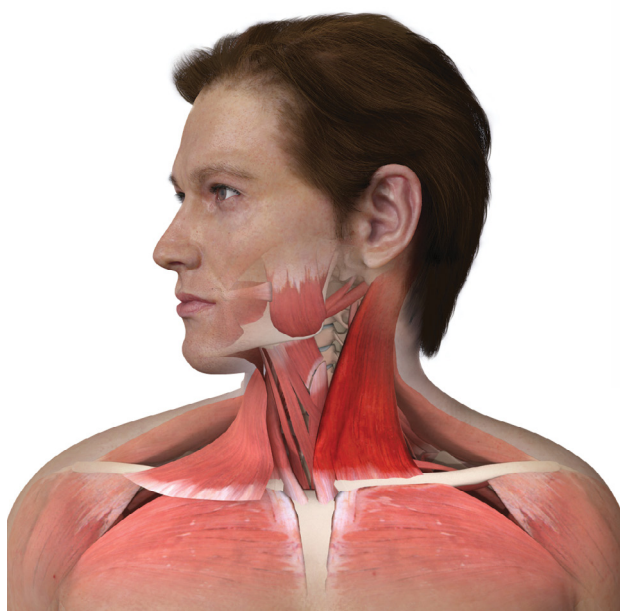
### WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS (cont'd)

#### ■ Dysphagia and Breathing Difficulties

Treatment with MYOBLOC and other botulinum toxin products can result in swallowing or breathing difficulties. Patients with pre-existing swallowing or breathing difficulties may be more susceptible to these complications. In most cases, this is a consequence of weakening of muscles in the area of injection that are involved in breathing or swallowing. When distant effects occur, additional respiratory muscles may be involved. Deaths as a complication of severe dysphagia have been reported after treatment with botulinum toxin. Dysphagia may persist for several months and require use of a feeding tube to maintain adequate nutrition and hydration. Aspiration may result from severe dysphagia and is a particular risk when treating patients in whom swallowing or respiratory function is already compromised.

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## STERNOCLEIDOMASTOID



### Primary function(s):

Tilts head laterally; rotates neck so head is turned superiorly toward opposite side; bilateral contraction flexes neck

### Postures:

Anterocollis, laterocollis, torticollis

Starting Dose Range: 1,000 – 2,500 Units\*  
Undiluted Volume: 0.2 – 0.5 mL

Origin	Localization	Insertion
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sternal head – upper part of anterior surface of manubrium</li> <li>Clavicular head – superior surface of medial third of clavicle</li> </ul>	Readily localized with contralateral rotation (may be hypertrophied in contralateral torticollis); providing resistance may accentuate it further	Lateral surface of mastoid process and lateral half of superior nuchal line

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MUSCLES INVOLVED IN CD - (continued)



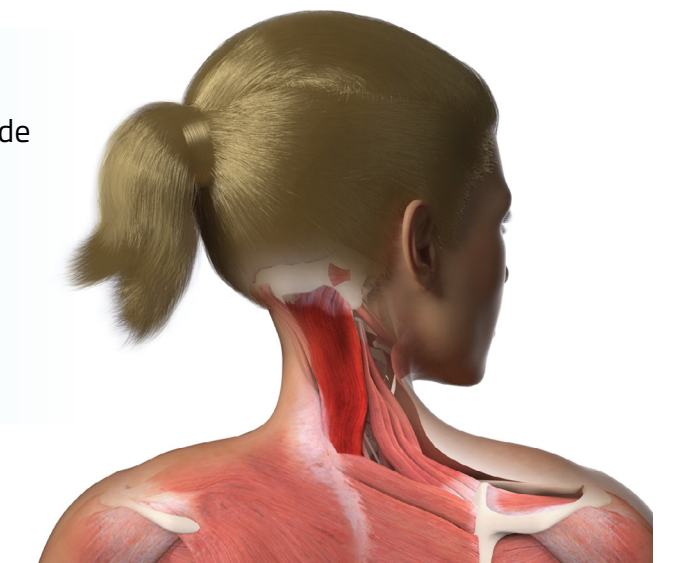
## SPLENIUS CAPITIS

### Primary function(s):

Laterally bends and rotates head to side of active muscles; bilateral activation extends head and neck

### Postures:

Laterocollis, retrocollis, torticollis



Starting Dose Range: 1,000 – 2,500 Units\*

Undiluted Volume: 0.2 – 0.5 mL

Origin	Localization	Insertion
Inferior half of ligamentum nuchae and spinous processes of C7 to T4 vertebrae	Just superior to the levator in the posterior triangle	Fibers run superolaterally to mastoid process of temporal bone and lateral third of superior nuchal line of occipital bone

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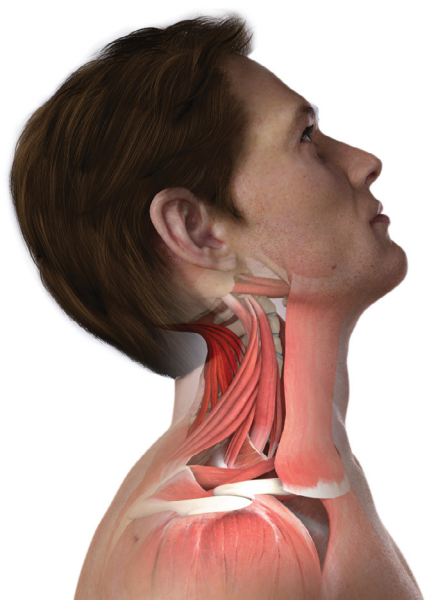
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#### Dysphagia and Breathing Difficulties (cont'd)

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## SEMISPINALIS CAPITIS



### Primary function(s):

Extends neck and rotates head toward opposite side

### Postures:

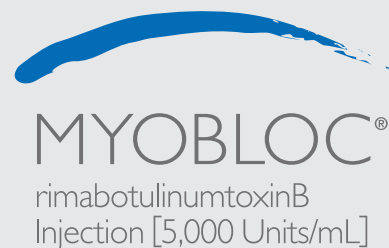
Laterocollis, retrocollis, torticollis

Starting Dose Range: 1,000 – 2,500 Units\*  
Undiluted Volume: 0.2 – 0.5 mL

Origin	Localization	Insertion
Transverse processes of C4 to T6 vertebrae	Two fingerbreadths lateral to the midline	Between superior and inferior nuchal line of the occipital bone

**MUSCLES INVOLVED IN CD - (continued)**

# MUSCLES INVOLVED IN CD



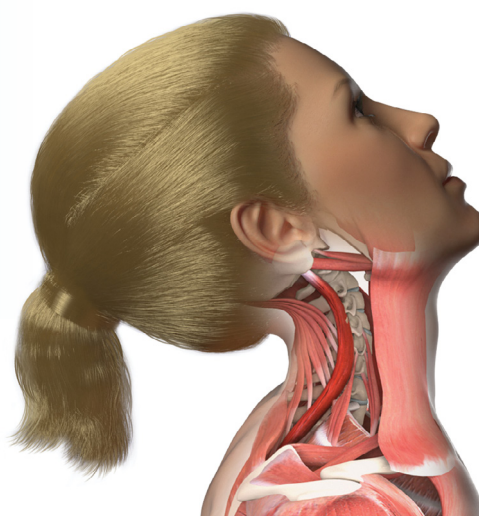
## LONGISSIMUS

### Primary function(s):

Bilateral activity will produce extension of the neck and head; unilateral activity causes ipsilateral rotation and tilt and brings the face toward the shoulder

### Postures:

Laterocollis, retrocollis, torticollis



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Origin	Localization	Insertion
Transverse processes (T1-T4) and articular processes (C5-C7) of inferior vertebral levels	Two fingerbreadths below the lower palpable border of the skull, and 3 fingerbreadths lateral to midline	Transverse processes at superior vertebral levels (C2-C6) or the mastoid process

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## IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (cont'd)

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#### Dysphagia and Breathing Difficulties (cont'd)

- **Pre-Existing Neuromuscular Disorders:** Individuals with peripheral motor neuropathic diseases, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, or neuromuscular junctional disorders (e.g., myasthenia gravis or Lambert-Eaton syndrome) should be monitored particularly closely when given botulinum toxin. Patients with neuromuscular disorders may be at increased risk of clinically significant effects including severe dysphagia and respiratory compromise from typical doses of MYOBLOC.

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## TRAPEZIUS



### Primary function(s):

Elevates, retracts, and rotates scapula; rotates head toward opposite side

### Postures:

Laterocollis, retrocollis, torticollis

Starting Dose Range: 1,000 – 2,500 Units\*  
Undiluted Volume: 0.2 – 0.5 mL

Origin	Localization	Insertion
Medial third of superior nuchal line; external occipital protuberance, nuchal ligament, and spinous processes of C7 to T12 vertebrae	Anterior border makes up the posterior leg of the posterior triangle	Lateral third of the clavicle, acromion, and spine of scapula

MUSCLES INVOLVED IN CD - (continued)

## SCALENE COMPLEX

### Primary function(s):

**Anterior** – elevates first rib; flexes and rotates neck laterally

**Middle and Posterior** – flexes neck laterally

### Postures:

Anterocollis, laterocollis



Starting Dose Range: 500 – 1,000 Units\*

Undiluted Volume: 0.1 – 0.2 mL

Origin	Localization	Insertion
<p><b>Anterior</b> – transverse processes of C4 to C6 vertebrae</p> <p><b>Middle and Posterior</b> – tubercles of transverse processes of C4 to C6 vertebrae</p>	<p><b>Anterior</b> – deep to the SCM</p> <p><b>Middle</b> – two fingerbreadths anterior to the edge of the trapezius (largest of the scalenes)</p> <p><b>Posterior</b> – deepest of the scalenes</p>	<p><b>Anterior</b> – first rib</p> <p><b>Middle</b> – superior surface of the first rib, posterior groove for subclavian artery</p> <p><b>Posterior</b> – external border of second rib</p>

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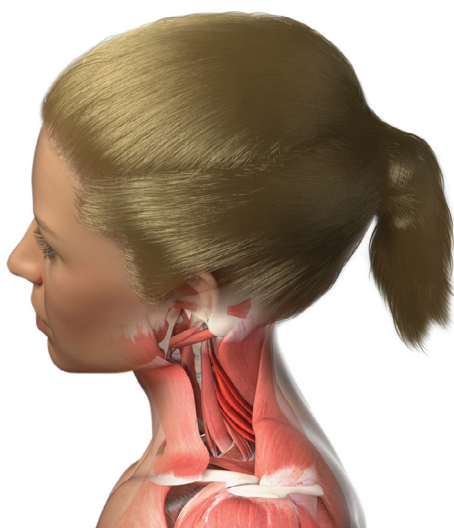
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## LEVATOR SCAPULAE



### Primary function(s):

Elevates scapula

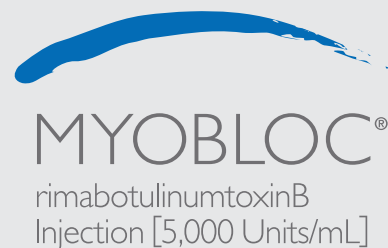
### Postures:

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Starting Dose Range: 1,000 – 2,500 Units\*  
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Origin	Localization	Insertion
Posterior tubercles of transverse processes of C1 to C4 vertebrae	May be palpated immediately anterior to the anterior edge of the trapezius, at the angle of the neck	Superior part of the medial border of scapula

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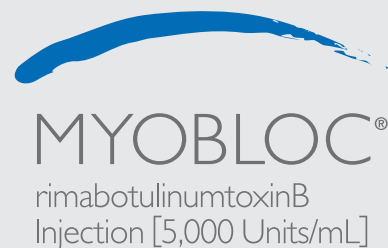
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## MOST COMMON ADVERSE REACTIONS (>5% of patients and >5% more than placebo)

**Cervical Dystonia:** dry mouth, dysphagia, injection site pain, headache

## DRUG INTERACTIONS

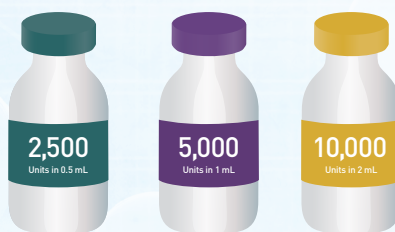
**Aminoglycosides and Other Agents Interfering with Neuromuscular Transmission:** Co-administration of MYOBLOC and aminoglycosides or other agents interfering with neuromuscular transmission (e.g., curare-like compounds) should only be performed with caution as the effect of the toxin may be potentiated. **Anticholinergic Drugs:** Use of anticholinergic drugs after administration of MYOBLOC may potentiate systemic anticholinergic effects. **Other Botulinum Neurotoxin Products:** The effect of administering different botulinum toxin products at the same time or within several months of each other is unknown. Excessive neuromuscular weakness may be exacerbated by administration of another botulinum toxin prior to the resolution of the effects of a previously administered botulinum toxin. **Muscle Relaxants:** Excessive weakness may also be exaggerated by administration of a muscle relaxant before or after administration of MYOBLOC.

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