

**NEWLIFE FERTILITY**  
**PATIENT MEDICATION INFORMATION**



## **follicle stimulating hormone**

Generic Name: **PUREGON**

### **What is follicle stimulating hormone?**

Follicle stimulating hormone (FSH) is a naturally occurring hormone. FSH is important in the development of follicles (eggs) produced by the ovaries. FSH is also important in the development of sperm.

Follicle stimulating hormone is used to stimulate a follicle (egg) to develop and mature. It is used when a woman desires pregnancy and her ovaries can produce a follicle but hormonal stimulation is not sufficient to make the follicle mature. Follicle stimulating hormone is also used to stimulate the development of multiple eggs for in vitro fertilization. Follicle stimulating hormone can be used by men to increase the production of sperm.

Follicle stimulating hormone may also be used for purposes other than those listed in this medication guide.

### **What is the most important information I should know about follicle stimulating hormone?**

Treatment with follicle stimulating hormone increases the likelihood of multiple births. Multiple births carry additional risk both for the mother and for fetuses. Discuss the risk of multiple births with your healthcare provider.

## **What should I discuss with my healthcare provider before using follicle stimulating hormone?**

Follicle stimulating hormone will not induce ovulation if the ovaries are not capable of producing an egg. Also, follicle stimulating hormone will not induce the production of sperm if the testes are not capable of producing sperm.

You may not be able to use follicle stimulating hormone, or you may require a dosage adjustment or special monitoring if you have any of the conditions listed above.

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Tell your doctor if you are allergic to neomycin or streptomycin.

Do not use this medication if you are pregnant.