

[Notes to editors]

1. About Gliadel

Gliadel 7.7 mg Implant is the only sustained-release formulation approved for intracranial implantation in Japan. Each wafer contains the nitrosourea alkylating agent carmustine distributed in a biodegradable polymer matrix. Implanting the agent into the brain following surgical removal of malignant glioma allows for direct delivery of chemotherapy to the tumor site, allowing the agent to be used prior to initiating radiation, chemotherapy and other standard therapies.

2. About Glioma

Glioma is the general term for primary brain tumors originating from the glial cells that exist in parenchymal brain