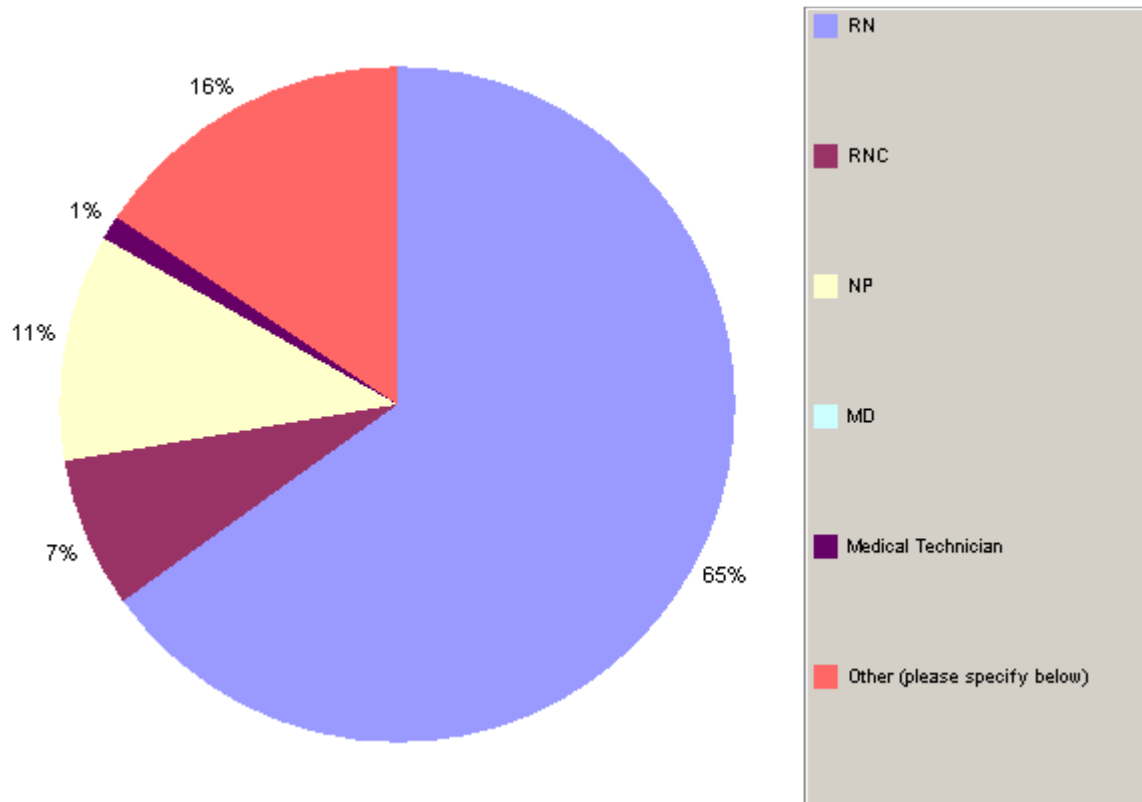


# Recombinant FSH Pen Device Survey

166 Responses

Please choose the title below that best fits your job description



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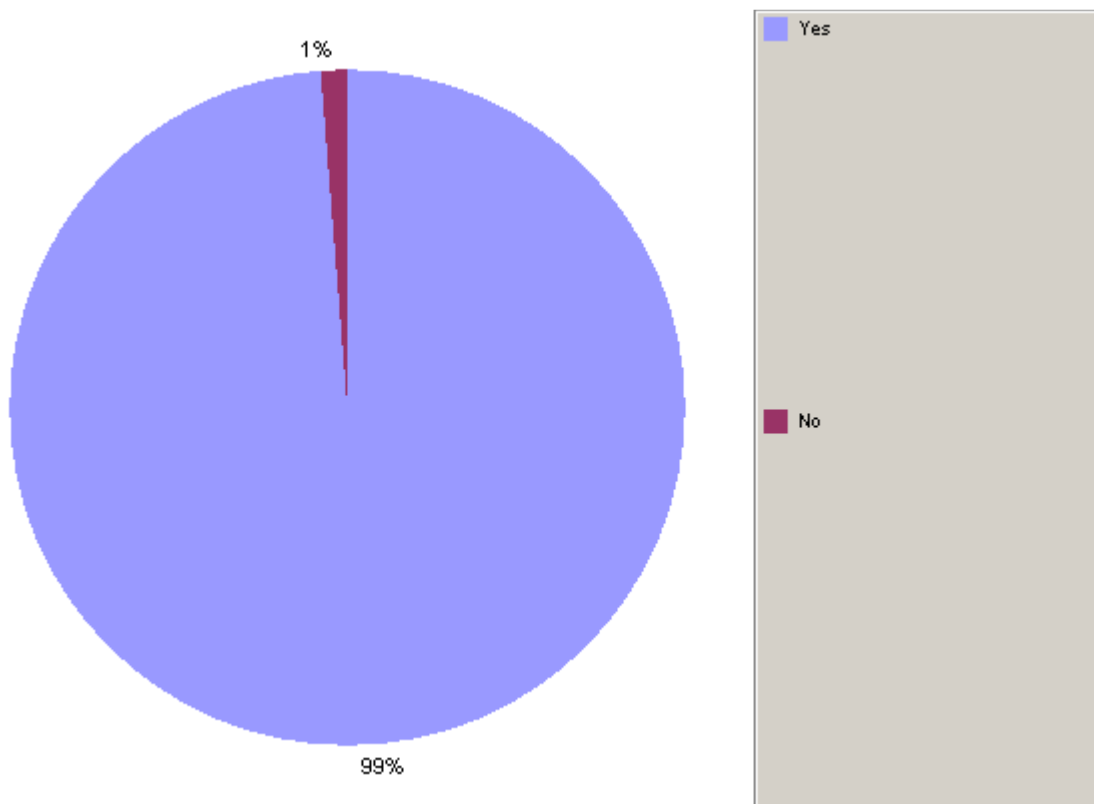
If you answered "Other" above, please indicate your job title

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2. Clinical Nurse Manager (2/16/2010 4:24:40 PM)
3. MSN, RNC (2/12/2010 3:05:37 PM)
4. LVN-Clinical Coordinator (2/12/2010 11:18:35 AM)
5. LVN-IVF coordinator (2/10/2010 4:24:09 PM)
6. PA-C (2/9/2010 2:12:15 PM)
7. Donor Nurse Coordinator (2/2/2010 12:01:08 PM)
8. MA (1/27/2010 10:10:21 AM)
9. Physician Assistant (1/18/2010 11:54:50 AM)
10. PA-C (1/18/2010 11:53:56 AM)
11. LPN (1/17/2010 10:53:33 AM)
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13. IVF Coordinator (1/16/2010 3:22:19 PM)
14. LVN-Nurse Coordinator (1/16/2010 9:11:03 AM)
15. LVN (1/15/2010 6:29:22 PM)
16. IVF Coordinantor clinical manager (1/15/2010 4:12:00 PM)
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18. Clinical Coordinator (1/15/2010 3:41:14 PM)

19. Clinic Manager (1/15/2010 3:34:41 PM)
20. CPT and Office Manager (1/15/2010 2:23:39 PM)
21. CMA (1/15/2010 2:00:30 PM)
22. office manager (1/15/2010 1:58:44 PM)
23. NP (1/15/2010 1:56:25 PM)
24. BA in Psychology, Donor Egg Coordinator (1/15/2010 1:53:07 PM)
25. LPN (1/15/2010 10:04:33 AM)
26. nurse practitioner and study coordinator (1/11/2010 12:48:46 PM)
27. LVN (1/4/2010 1:59:46 PM)
28. IVF Coordinator (1/4/2010 12:17:08 PM)
29. LVN and nurse coordinator (1/1/2010 9:49:04 AM)
30. Office Supervisor (12/11/2009 11:47:42 AM)
31. LVN (12/4/2009 11:53:36 AM)
32. IVF NURSE (11/25/2009 11:12:49 AM)
33. LPN (11/20/2009 2:56:01 PM)

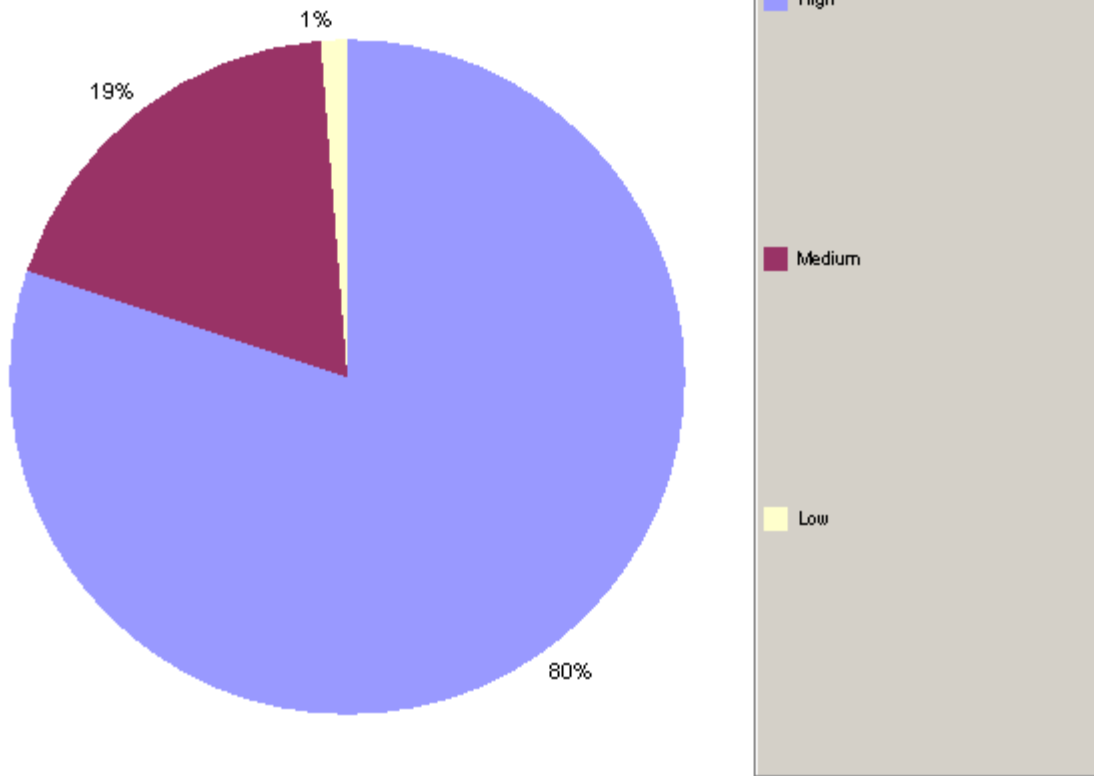
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**Does your job description require teaching patients on how to administer gonadotropins?**



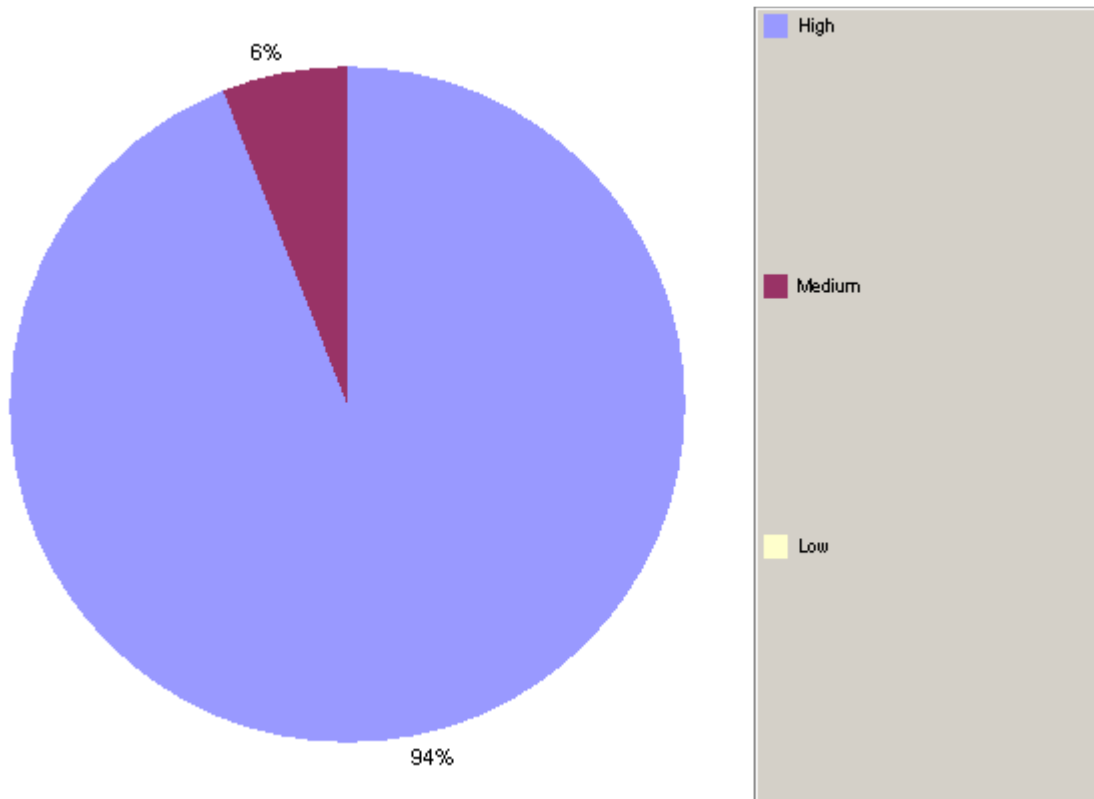
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**Please rate your level of knowledge on how to administer recombinant FSH with the Gonal-f pen device**



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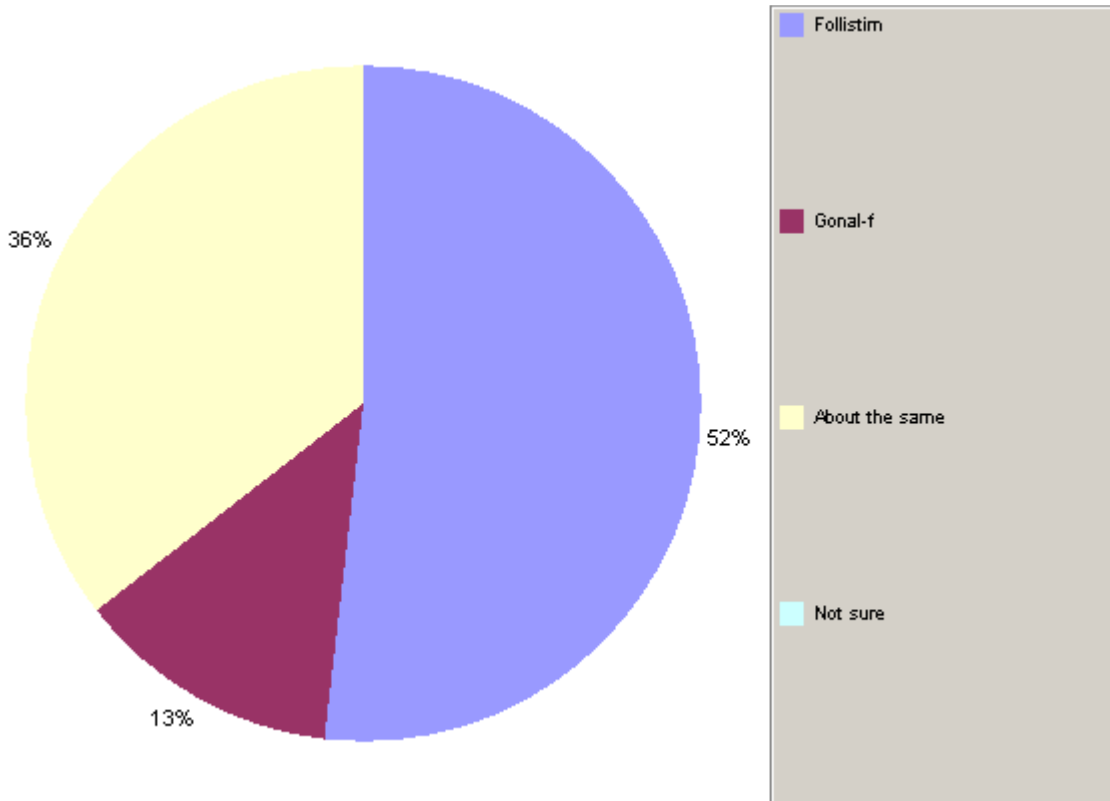
**Please rate your level of knowledge on how to administer recombinant FSH with the Follistim pen device**



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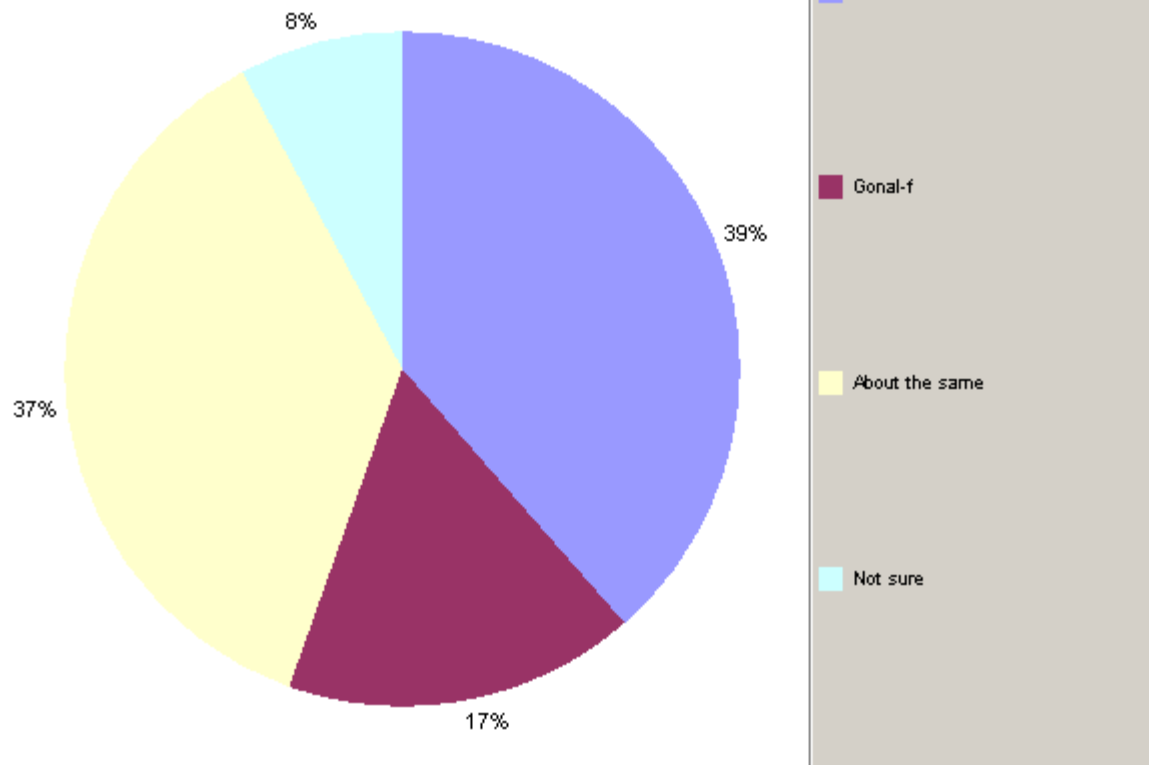
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**Which device do you find more patient-friendly when it comes to setting the prescribed dose?**



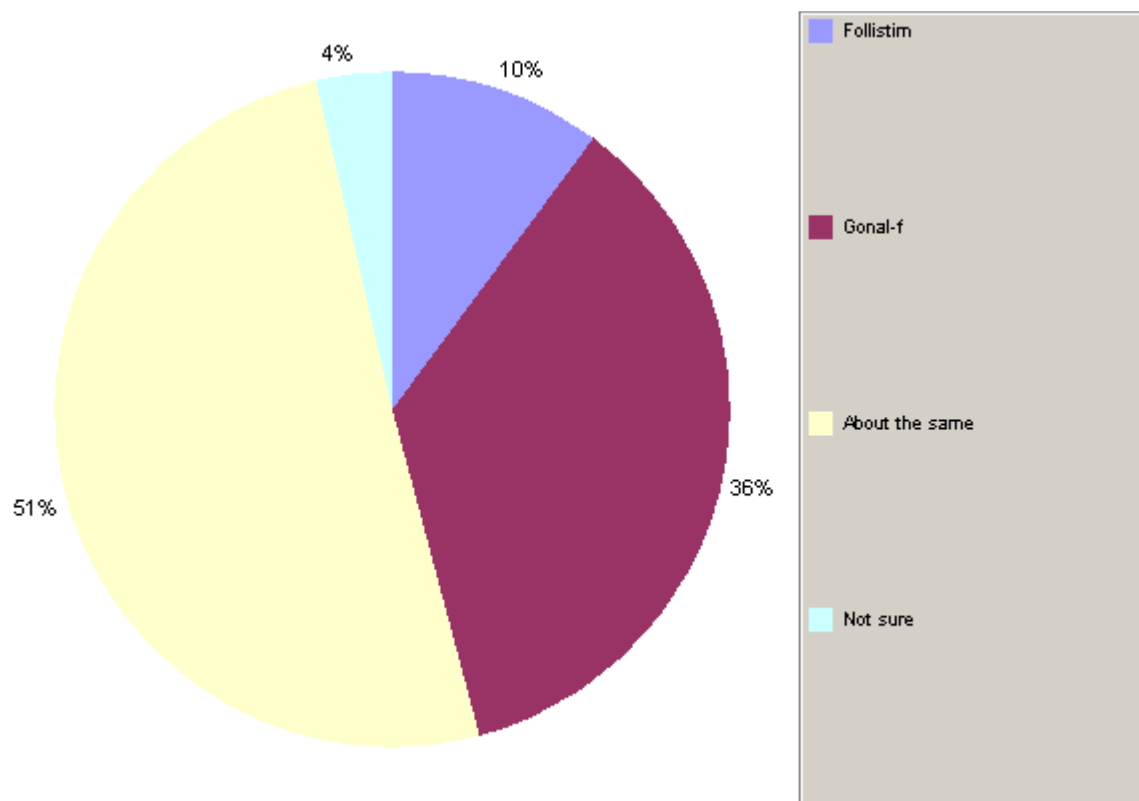
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**Which device do you find more economical for cash pay patients?**



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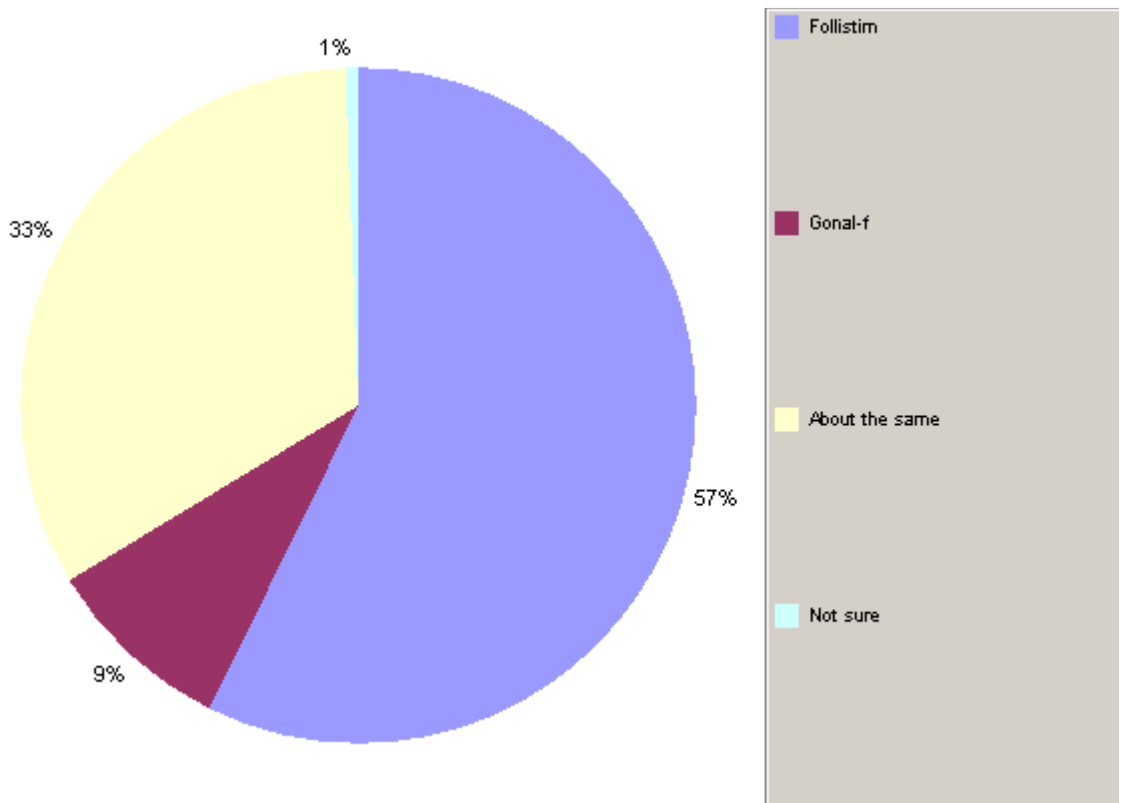
**Which device generates more patient questions?**



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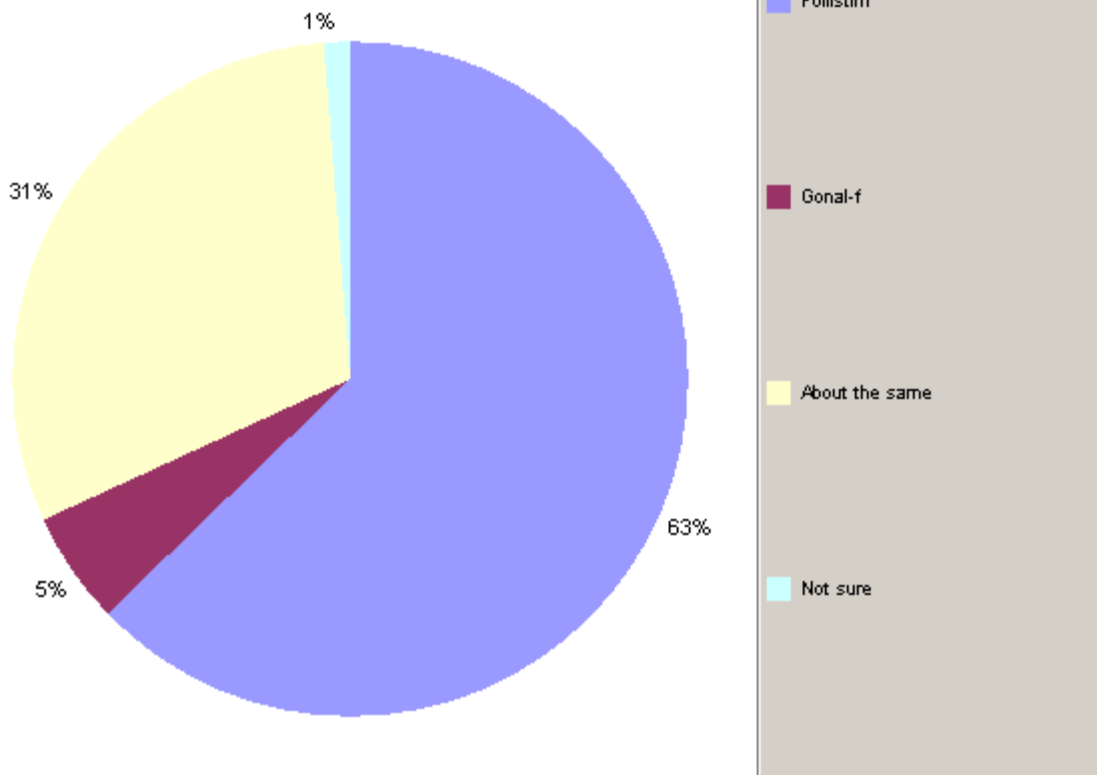
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**Which device is easier to use when a patient needs to deliver a partial dose from a newly opened cartridge or pen to complete the prescribed dose?**



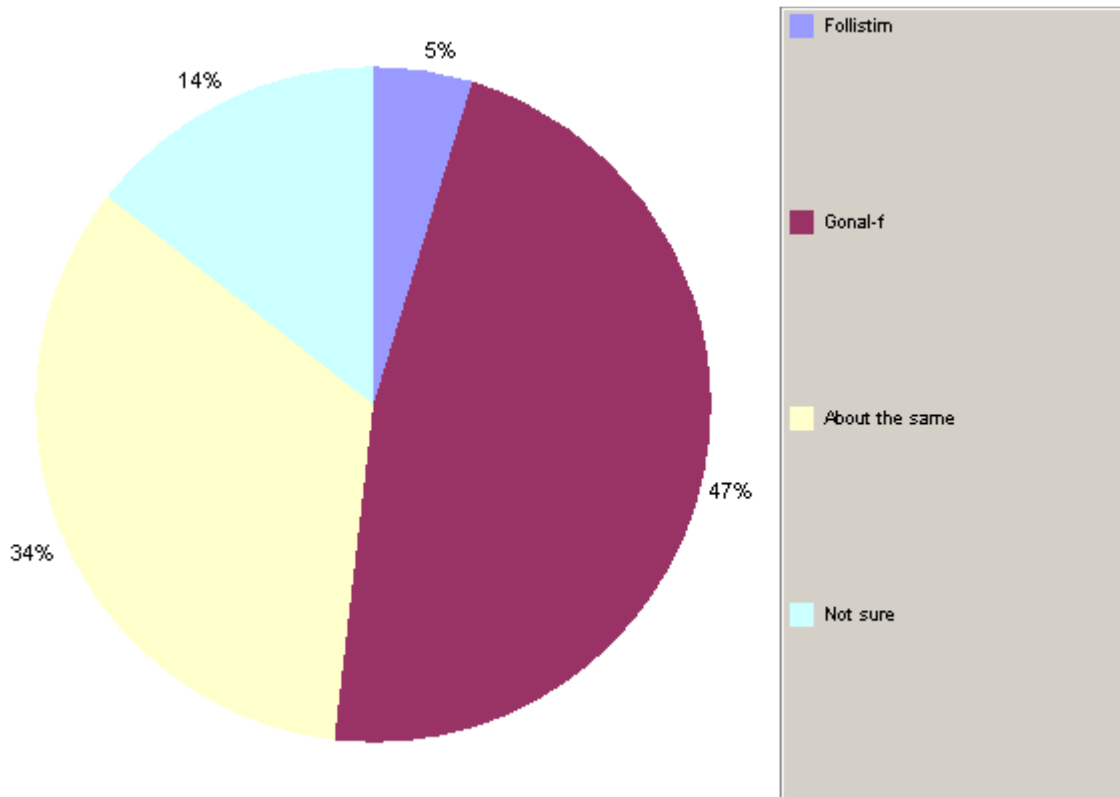
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**Which device offers more flexible dosing options?**



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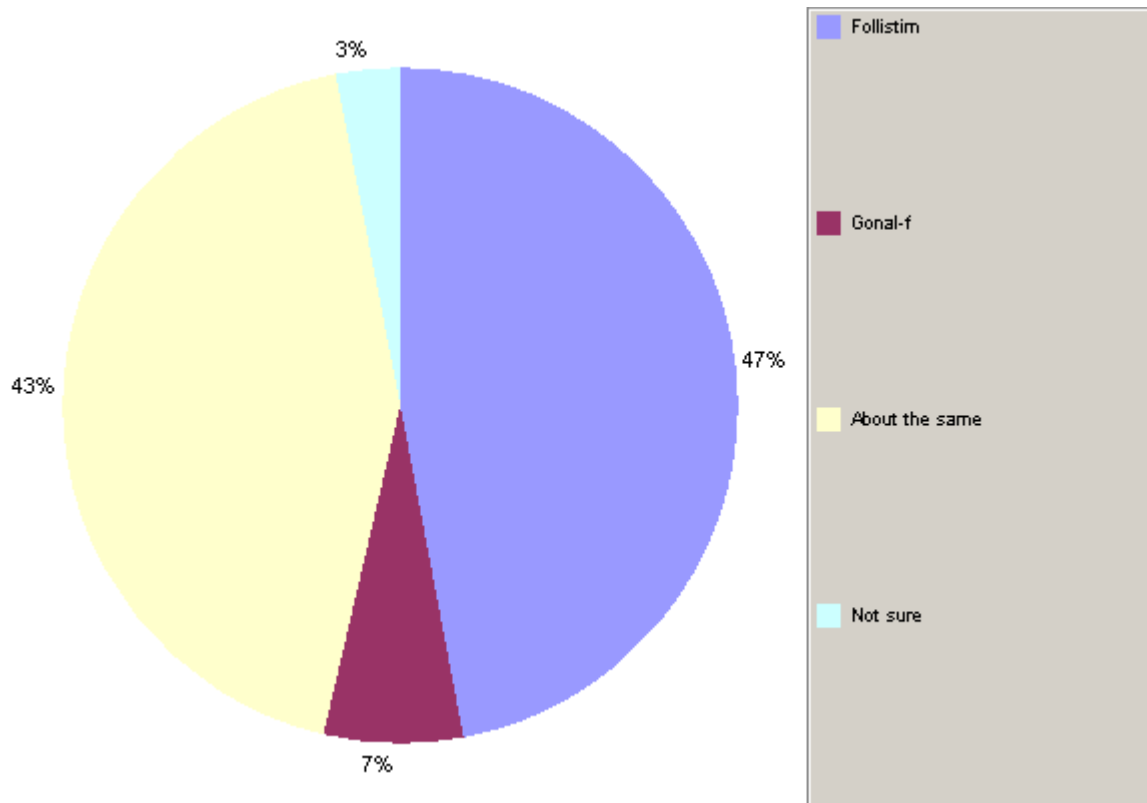
**During injection with both recombinant pen devices, which device requires more force to depress the plunger?**



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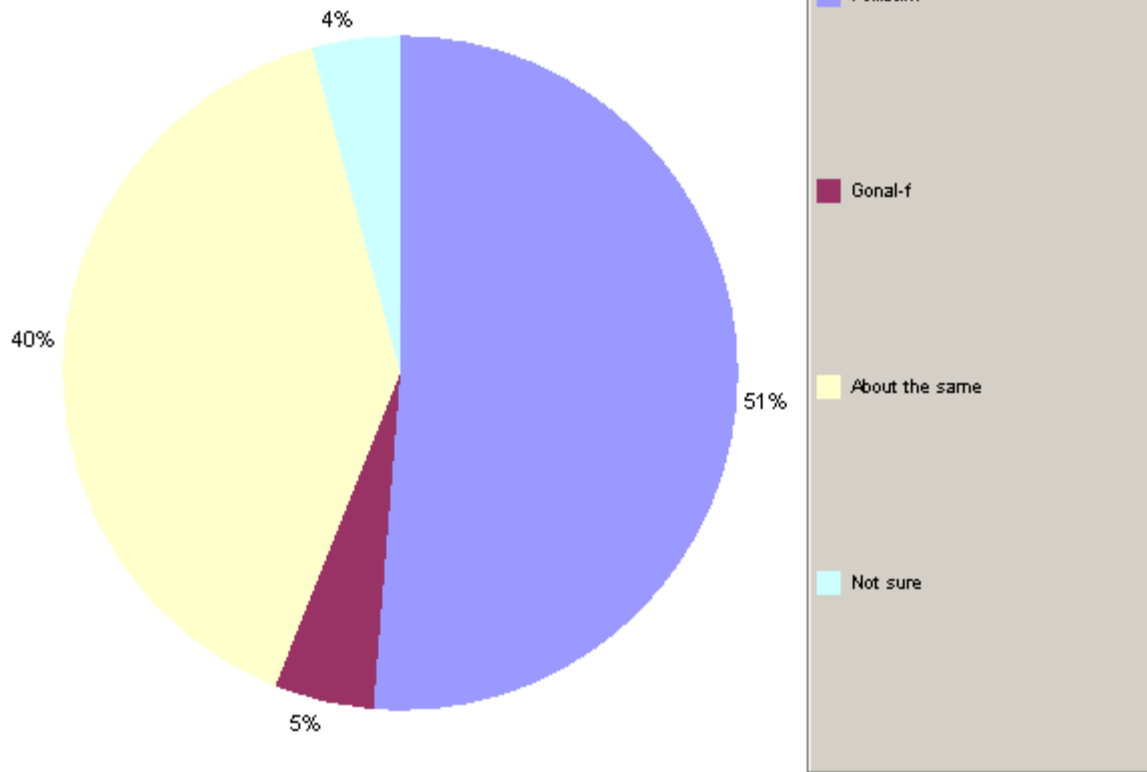
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**Which device provides better piece of mind that the dialed dose was fully administered?**



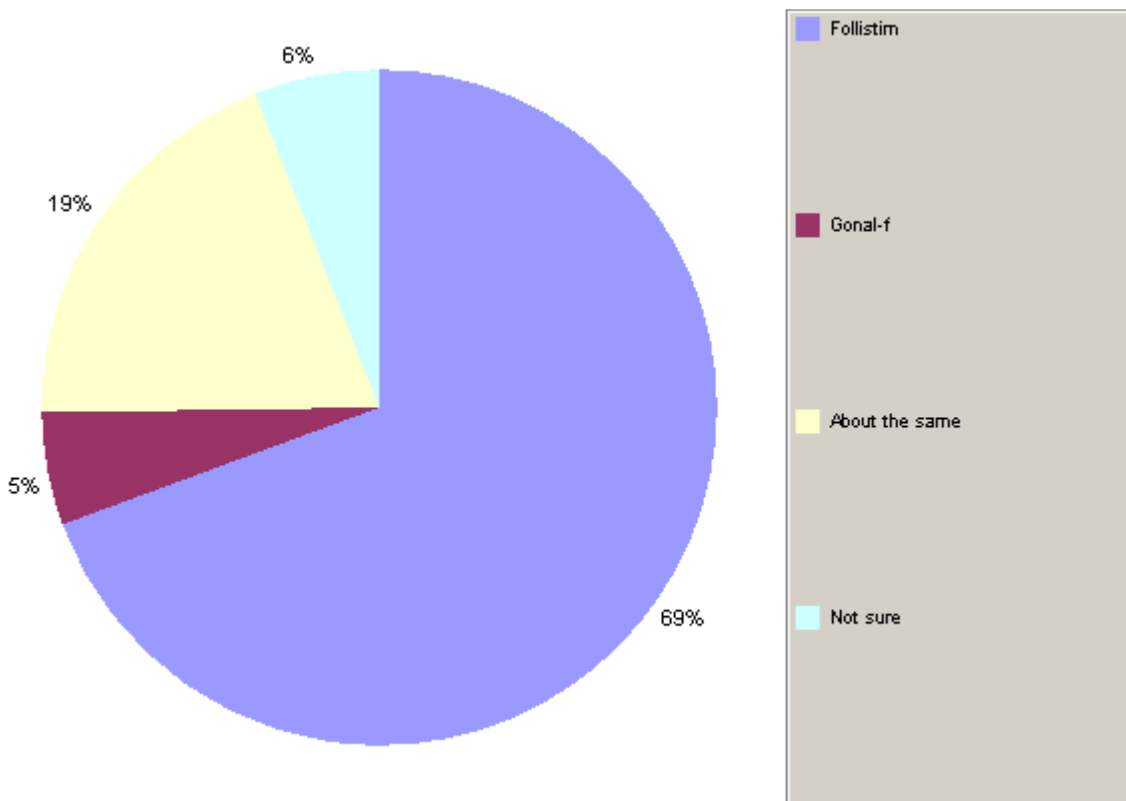
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**Which device minimizes gonadotropin waste?**



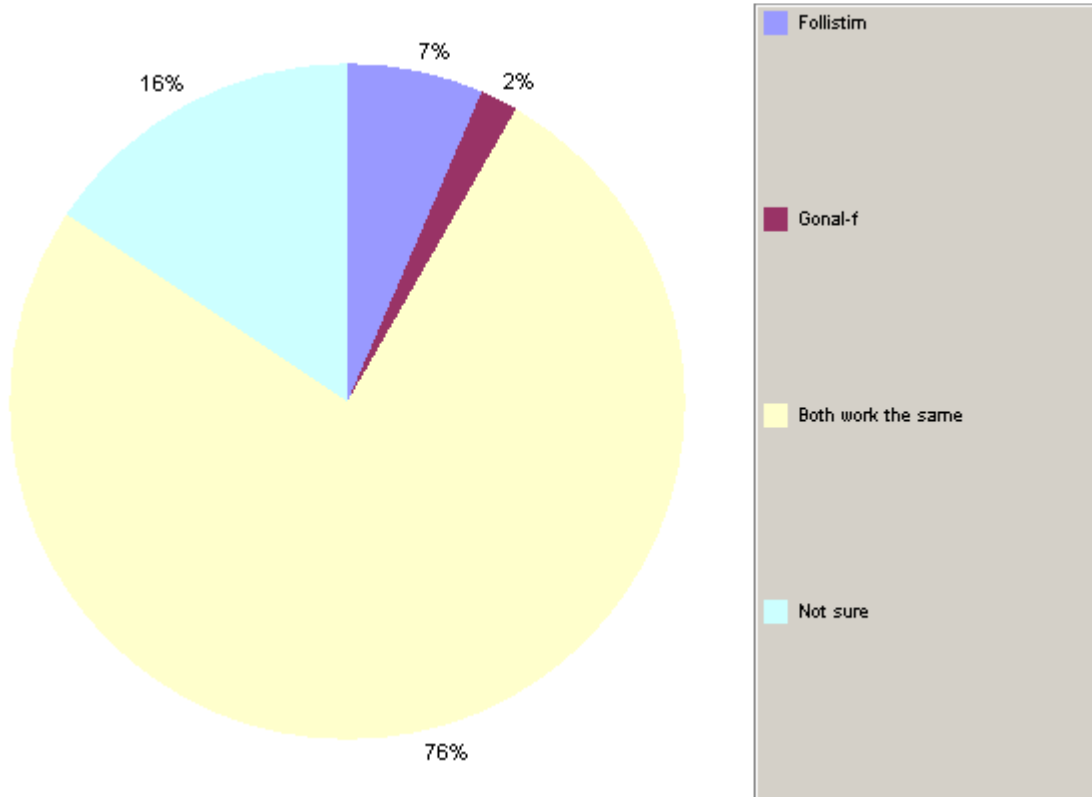
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**Which device do you find most forgiving if a patient dials the wrong dose?**



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**Which pen device works better for low responder patients?**



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**If you chose "Follistim" or "Gonal-f" as the pen device that works better for low responder patients, please explain why**

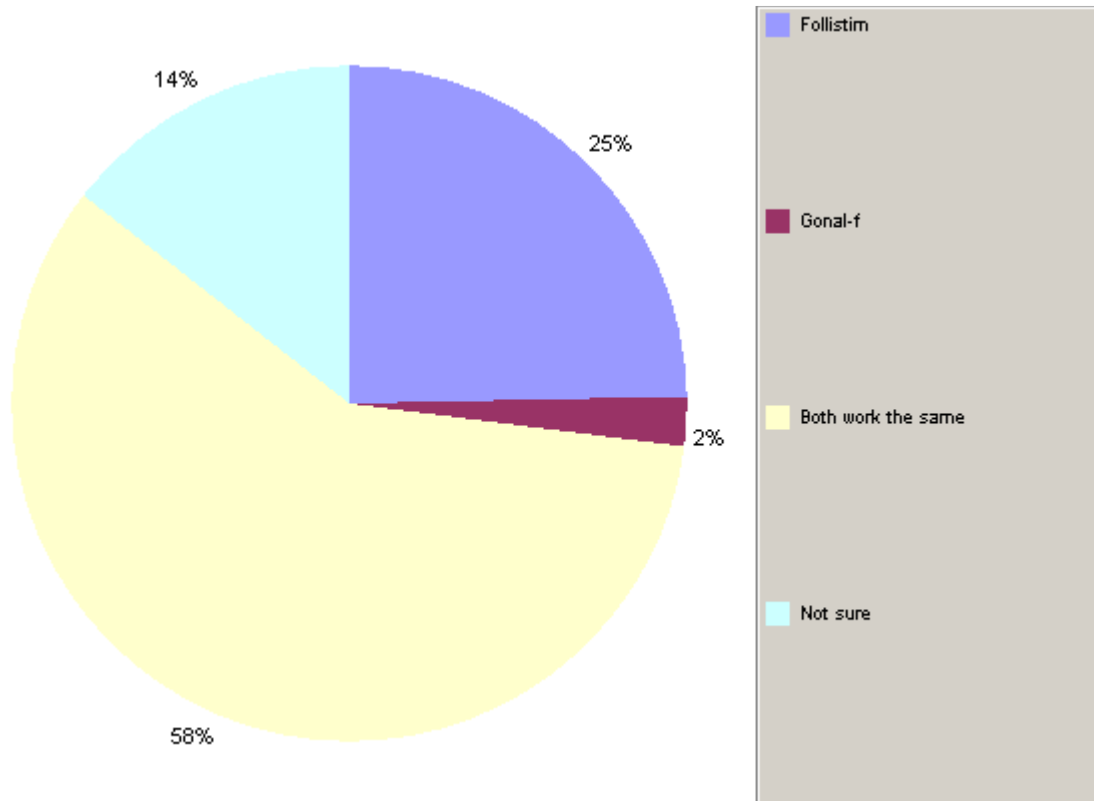
1. na (2/12/2010 3:05:37 PM)
2. ease of use, better understanding by the patient. (1/31/2010 10:12:18 PM)
3. You can now dial in lower doses (1/22/2010 2:16:31 PM)
4. without knowing specifically why,pt's e2 levels and follicle development seems so much better than with gonadotropin-releasing hormone (Gonal-f) stimulation (1/21/2010 3:11:40 PM)
5. Have found in practice that you can give the same pt a lower dose of Follistim to get the same response as a higher dose of Gonal F (when compared w/ the same pt in different cycles) as well as w/ other pts who have similar clinical profiles. (1/19/2010 7:50:02 AM)
6. Larger dosing with less fluid (1/17/2010 3:38:44 PM)
7. just statistically, MDs order Gonal F more often for low responders (1/17/2010 3:33:30 PM)
8. n/a (1/16/2010 4:53:45 PM)
9. More dosing options. (1/16/2010 3:22:19 PM)
10. Can dial up overfill (1/15/2010 5:07:48 PM)
11. 0 (1/15/2010 3:34:41 PM)
12. EASIER TO TEACH AND ADMINISTER HIGH DOSES AND TO FINE TUNE IF NEEDED (1/15/2010 3:13:57 PM)
13. Higher follicular counts with Gonal-F seen. But the quality is a bit lower (1/15/2010 2:23:39 PM)
14. Find that the E2 responds better and dosing increments are more efficient (1/15/2010 1:54:39 PM)
15. gets every bit of medicine out. (1/15/2010 1:51:45 PM)
16. more increments available (1/15/2010 1:47:05 PM)

17. n/a (1/11/2010 12:48:46 PM)

18. Tend to need more Gonal F with low responder patients. (1/4/2010 12:17:08 PM)

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### **Which pen device works better for high responder patients?**



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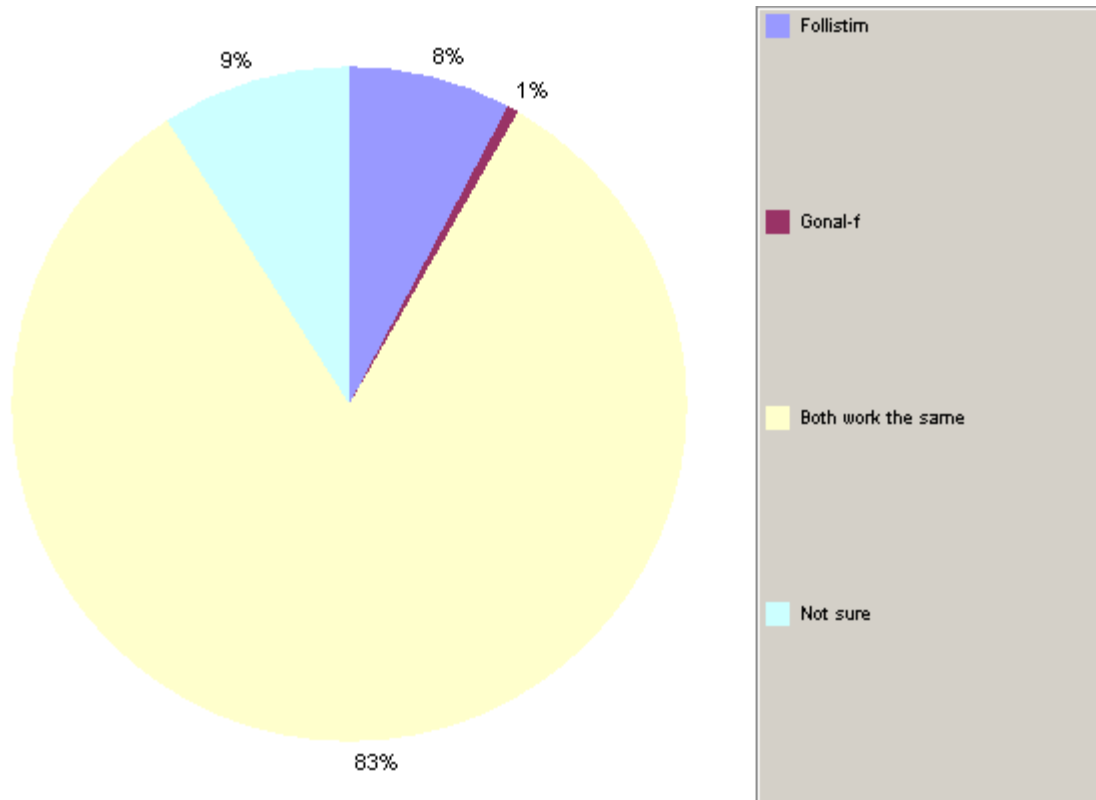
### **If you chose "Follistim" or "Gonal-f" as the pen device that works better for high responder patients, please explain why**

1. na (2/12/2010 3:05:37 PM)
2. Can do better variety of dosing. (2/10/2010 4:24:09 PM)
3. can find tune the dose (2/5/2010 12:10:44 PM)
4. fine tune dose with Follistim (2/5/2010 12:01:29 PM)
5. able to use a lower dose (2/3/2010 7:45:58 AM)
6. smaller adjustable increments (2/2/2010 1:39:42 PM)
7. Can dial smaller increments (2/1/2010 1:22:51 PM)
8. can do very low doses (2/1/2010 1:03:13 PM)
9. With Follistim the dose can be adjusted every 8.3 units. (1/31/2010 10:12:18 PM)
10. you can use a lower dose and control the dose in finer increments (1/29/2010 4:56:58 PM)
11. Can give very small dose. (1/29/2010 3:57:38 PM)
12. smaller dosing levels (1/29/2010 3:57:09 PM)
13. Easier to dial the small, incremental doses using the Follistim pen. (1/29/2010 3:34:37 PM)
14. You can deliver very small amounts of medication with the Follisitm pen to help prevent OHSS. (1/24/2010 10:43:08 AM)

15. You can dose as little as 25 iu so that tapering a dose rather than coasting is often an option (1/19/2010 7:50:02 AM)
16. Able to decrease dosage in 25iu increments (1/18/2010 5:24:57 PM)
17. Dial up or dial down (1/17/2010 3:38:44 PM)
18. n/a (1/16/2010 4:53:45 PM)
19. More dosing options (1/16/2010 3:22:19 PM)
20. Easier to titrate dosage (1/16/2010 11:00:33 AM)
21. can go up only in increments of 8 iu's with the Follistim where with Gonal it is 37.5 (1/16/2010 10:52:56 AM)
22. More increments for lowering dose in smaller amounts (1/15/2010 11:55:43 PM)
23. You have more flexible dosing options with Follistim. (1/15/2010 8:25:33 PM)
24. 37.5 IU's is the lowest dosage that allows follicular recruitment for some patients. 25IU is too low and 50IU can be too high, therefore, the starting dose of 37.5 with the Gonal F pen seems to be useful (1/15/2010 5:07:48 PM)
25. If you use the follistim pen you can lower the dose in 25mg increments (1/15/2010 5:02:17 PM)
26. 25 iu increment doses (1/15/2010 3:55:41 PM)
27. 0 (1/15/2010 3:34:41 PM)
28. Because of the dosing flexibility. Some women require dosing that is not in 37.5 IU increments. (1/15/2010 3:33:02 PM)
29. Because you can dial in lower doses (1/15/2010 3:32:33 PM)
30. ABILITY TO FINE TUNE DOSE - ESPECIALLY TO THE LOWER DOSAGE RANGE (1/15/2010 3:13:57 PM)
31. There is a more sensitive dial so you can tweak their dose better (1/15/2010 2:23:39 PM)
32. Can go up in smaller increments (1/15/2010 2:08:37 PM)
33. Microtitration (1/15/2010 2:04:40 PM)
34. easier to dial back the dose (1/15/2010 1:54:39 PM)
35. can carefully dial in 'smaller' doses (1/15/2010 1:51:45 PM)
36. Can dial to 25 iu increments (1/15/2010 1:45:41 PM)
37. more options for dosage (1/15/2010 1:41:08 PM)
38. The increments on the pen are easier when it comes to decreasing doses (1/15/2010 10:04:33 AM)
39. n/a (1/11/2010 12:48:46 PM)
40. Although the medication is the same, the Follistim allows you to dial to a more precise dosage, which is ideal for a high-responder. (1/6/2010 10:38:21 AM)
41. Because you can more precisely dose the patient with smaller increments (1/4/2010 10:56:48 AM)
42. You can give a lower dose (12/18/2009 12:41:38 PM)
43. more precise dosing (12/11/2009 11:47:42 AM)
44. increments of dosing (12/11/2009 10:24:06 AM)
45. It is easier to adjust the dosage on the pen (12/4/2009 9:40:54 AM)
46. You can dial doses in 25 iu increments with the Follistim pen. The increments for the gonal F pen are 37.5 iu...a little higher. This could possibly make a difference for a high responder. (12/1/2009 2:45:51 PM)

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**Which pen device works better for normal responder patients?**



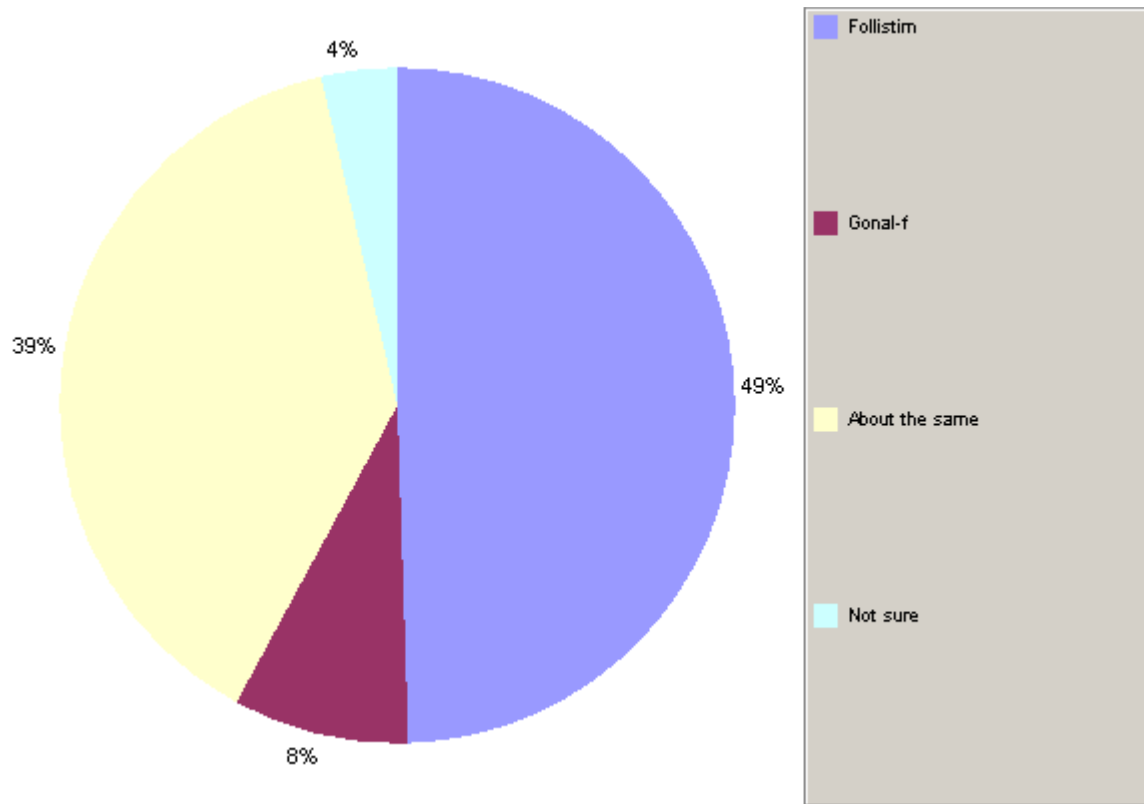
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**If you chose "Follistim" or "Gonal-f" as the pen device that works better for normal responder patients, please explain why**

1. na (2/12/2010 3:05:37 PM)
2. fine tune dose with follistim (2/5/2010 12:01:29 PM)
3. Ease of use, better understanding regarding use by the patient. (1/31/2010 10:12:18 PM)
4. Dosing is easy. Each click can be calibrated (1/29/2010 3:57:38 PM)
5. Ease of the pen. (1/22/2010 2:16:31 PM)
6. again,no specific reasons for the better response but my experience (1/21/2010 3:11:40 PM)
7. Same as above (1/17/2010 3:38:44 PM)
8. n/a (1/16/2010 4:53:45 PM)
9. Plunger to hard to push with Gonal F pen (1/15/2010 5:07:48 PM)
10. I recommend the Gonal-F because they don't have to insert a cartridge. Once the pen is primed you are ready. (1/15/2010 5:02:17 PM)
11. just have seen that in clinical use (1/15/2010 3:55:41 PM)
12. 0 (1/15/2010 3:34:41 PM)
13. ease of use (1/15/2010 3:32:33 PM)
14. GENERAL EASE OF USE- (1/15/2010 3:13:57 PM)
15. easy! (1/15/2010 1:51:45 PM)
16. easier to use (1/15/2010 1:45:41 PM)
17. n/a (1/11/2010 12:48:46 PM)
18. This is the pen of choice we use. It is very user-friendly and we get great response. The patients do not have any trouble with Follistim pen. (1/7/2010 9:41:53 AM)

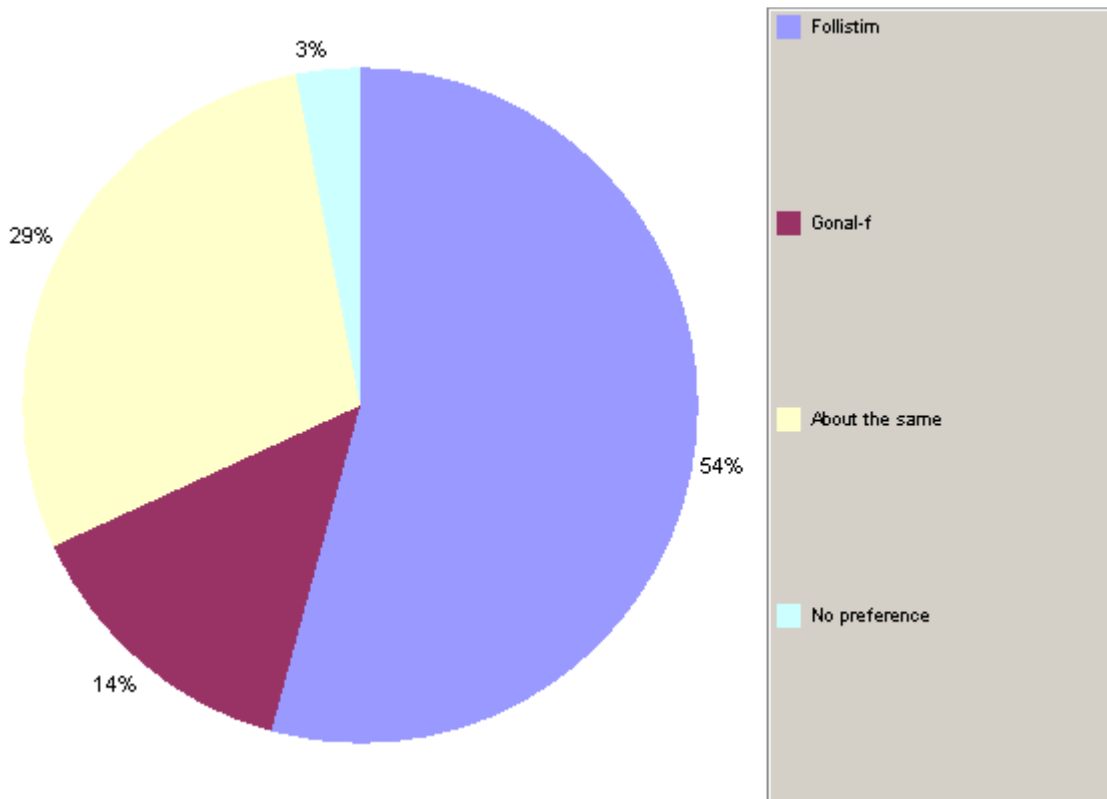
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**Based on your experience with both devices, which device do patients prefer most?**



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**Which device do you find easier to teach patients?**



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**Please provide any additional comments (optional)**

1. Both devices are easy to use, easy to teach, work well. no preference (2/16/2010 4:24:40 PM)
2. na (2/12/2010 3:05:37 PM)
3. gonal-f has repeatedly demonstrated in correct dose errors by pts. (2/5/2010 12:10:44 PM)
4. I absolutely find the Foll pen more pt friendly - much easier to teach with less of a chance of an error (able to reset dose without losing any med). (1/31/2010 8:31:49 AM)
5. I prefer the follistim pen because you don't throw away the pen and there is less waste, and I love the accuracy, the small increments possible. the ease in teaching it. (1/29/2010 4:56:58 PM)
6. n/a (1/16/2010 4:53:45 PM)
7. Follistim is so much easier to use and patient's definitely prefer it. (1/15/2010 9:16:15 PM)
8. Because NH is self pay I go with the one with the best price! (1/15/2010 5:02:17 PM)
9. 0 (1/15/2010 3:34:41 PM)
10. I like the confirmation of full dose delivery with follistim because you start at the dose on the dial and confirm that it goes to zero. Confirming the dose with Gonal-F is not really clear. (1/15/2010 2:00:30 PM)
11. In regards to the Follistim pen, patients seem to like the fact that there is a clicking sound that confirms they have indeed given themselves the dosage. However most of my donors use the Gonal-F and have not had any complaints. (1/15/2010 1:53:07 PM)
12. The priming sometimes confuses patients (1/15/2010 1:51:39 PM)
13. Some patients are confused with the initial priming step of the Gonal-f pen. (1/6/2010 10:38:21 AM)
14. I prefer Gonal F multidose over either pen. (12/11/2009 10:30:53 AM)
15. I like the follistim pen a little better because patients can use every bit of the medication in the cartridge with no waste...even if they need to take a second shot to get their full dose. In this economy and with more patients paying for medication out of pocket, they don't want to throw any residual away like they have to do with the gonal F pen. After the ionitial couple of injections, most patients don't mind taking a second shot for the full dose to be delivered...The needle is so small you can hardly feel it. (12/1/2009 2:45:51 PM)
16. I like gonal f and follistim equally. My one main concern with Gonal F is the wasting of plastic. I like that follistim is one pen that can be refilled whereas you need a whole new device with gonal f each time (11/30/2009 11:39:27 AM)
17. Some insurance plans cover one product instead of the other. (11/25/2009 11:12:49 AM)

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