

CHLORPROMAZINE 100 mg Tablets

Composition : Active Ingredient chlorpromazine hydrochloride, which is a type of medicine known as antipsychotic .

Dosage and administration : Use as directed by physician.

Indication and potential use : Chlorpromazine is classified as a low-potency antipsychotic & in the past was used in the treatment of both acute & chronic psychoses, including schizophrenia & the manic phase of bipolar disorder as well as amphetamine-induced psychoses.

Other uses : It has also been used in porphyria & as part of tetanus treatment . It still is well recommended for short term management of severe anxiety and aggressive episodes. Resistant & severe hiccups, severe nausea/ernesis & preanesthetic conditioning have been other indications in the past. It can be used to treat amphetamine overdose.

Side effects : The main side effects of chlorpromazine are due to its anticholinergic properties; these effects overshadow & counteract, to some extent, the extrapyramidal side effects typical of many early generation neuroleptics. These include sedation, dry mouth, constipation, urinary retention & possible lowering of seizure threshold. Appetite may be increased with resultant weight gain. Glucose tolerance may be impaired. Photosensitivity may occur, resulting in increased risk of sunburn.

Warnings and Precautions : Before taking chlorpromazine,

- Tell your doctor and pharmacist if you are allergic to chlorpromazine, any other tranquilizer, or any other drugs, or have had a bad reaction to insulin.

- Tell your doctor and pharmacist what prescription & nonprescription medications you are taking, especially antihistamines; lithium (Eskalith, Lithobid); medications for depression, Parkinson's disease, seizures, hay fever, allergies or colds; muscle relaxants; narcotics (pain medication); sedatives ; sleeping pills; and vitamins.

- Tell your doctor if you have or have ever had heart, liver, lung , or kidney disease; shock therapy; glaucoma; an enlarged prostate; difficulty urinating; asthma, emphysema, or chronic bronchitis; or seizures.

- Tell your doctor if you are pregnant, plan to become pregnant, or are breast-feeding. If you become pregnant while taking chlorpromazine, call your doctor.

- If you are having surgery, including dental surgery, tell the doctor or dentist that you are taking chlorpromazine.
- You should know that this drug may make you drowsy. Do not drive a car or operate machinery until you know how this drug affects you.
- Remember that alcohol can add to the drowsiness caused by this drug.
- Plan to avoid unnecessary or prolonged exposure to sunlight & to wear protective clothing, sunglasses, and sunscreen. Chlorpromazine may make your skin sensitive to sunlight.

Pregnancy and Breastfeeding : This medicine is not recommended for use in pregnancy unless considered essential by your doctor.

This medicine passes into breast milk and women taking this medicine should therefore not breastfeed. Seek medical advice from your doctor.

Storage : Store below 25°C protected from light and humidity.

Pack presentation : Chlorpromazine 100 mg pack of 50 tablets.

THIS IS A MEDICAMENT

- A medicament is a product which affects your health, and its consumption contrary to instructions is dangerous for you.
- Follow strictly the doctor's prescription, the method of use and the instructions of the pharmacist who sold the medicament.
- The doctor and the pharmacist are experts in medicine, its benefits and risks.
- Do not by yourself interrupt the period of treatment prescribed for you
- Do not repeat the same prescription without consulting your doctor.

Keep medicaments out of reach of children

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