

Parkinsol®

Benzhexol HCL, BP

Antiparkinson

DESCRIPTION: *Parkinsol®*, brand of benzhexol HCL, is an anticholinergic agent with antiparkinson properties.

ACTIONS: *Parkinsol®* mainly suppresses central cholinergic activity. It also appears to inhibit the reuptake and storage of dopamine at central dopamine nerves, thereby prolonging the action of dopamine. It thus reduces the incidence and severity of akinesia, rigidity and tremor ; secondary symptoms of parkinsonism are also reduced. It is well absorbed from the GI tract and exerts an action within 1 hour of an oral dose.

INDICATIONS: *Parkinsol®* is indicated as an adjuvant therapy with levodopa in the treatment of all forms of parkinsonism. It is also used for the control of drug-induced extrapyramidal disorders.

CONTRAINDICATIONS: *Parkinsol®* is contraindicated in patients with hypersensitivity to the drug; glaucoma; pyloric or duodenal obstruction; stenosing peptic ulcers; prostatic hypertrophy or bladder neck obstructions; achalasia; myasthenia gravis.

WARNING: *Parkinsol®* may precipitate incipient narrow-angle glaucoma. Sensitivity reactions, mental confusion, and agitation may develop in elderly patients.

PRECAUTIONS: *Parkinsol®* should be used with caution in patients with cardiovascular, GI, or GU tracts disorders. It may impair mental or physical abilities. Observe caution while driving or performing other tasks requiring alertness. Use with caution in hot weather because it may increase susceptibility to heat stroke.

Pregnancy: Pregnancy Category C: *Parkinsol®* should not be used in pregnancy unless the potential benefits justify the potential risks to the fetus.

Nursing Mothers: lactation is not recommended.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: Skin reactions, drowsiness, weakness, blurred vision, tachycardia, hypotension, dry mouth, nausea, constipation, urinary retention.

DOSAGE & ADMINISTRATION:

Initially 1 - 2 mg / day divided into 3 - 4 doses taken at mealtimes increased by 2 mg increments at intervals of 3 - 5 days until a total of 6 - 10 mg / day according to patient response. For advanced cases 12 to 15 mg or even more may be needed daily. Treatment should never be terminated suddenly.

AVAILABILITY:

Tablets: Packs of 100 Tablets, each containing Benzhexol HCL 5 mg, Excipient q.s. 1 tablet.
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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
