

Asmatat®

Brand of Salbutamol Sulfate, BP

Anti-asthmatic - Bronchodilator

DESCRIPTION: *Asmatat*®, brand of Salbutamol Sulfate, is a direct acting sympathomimetic bronchodilator with selective action on beta-2 receptors.

ACTIONS: *Asmatat*® acts on beta-2 receptors in lungs to relax bronchial smooth muscle, thereby relieving bronchospasm and reducing airways resistance. It is readily absorbed from the GI tract with peak plasma concentration occurring within 3 hours after oral administration with a prolonged duration of action of about 4 - 8 hours.

INDICATIONS: *Asmatat*® is indicated for the relief of bronchospasm in bronchial asthma of all types, chronic bronchitis and emphysema.

CONTRAINDICATIONS: *Asmatat*® is contraindicated in patients with hypersensitivity to salbutamol.

PRECAUTIONS: Use with caution in patients with cardiovascular disorders, hyperthyroidism and diabetes mellitus.

Pregnancy: Pregnancy Category C: *Asmatat*® should not be used during pregnancy unless the benefits outweigh the potential risks to the fetus.

Nursing Mothers: Caution should be exercised when *Asmatat*® is administered to nursing women.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: The most common side effect is a fine tremor of skeletal muscle, usually the hands are most obviously affected. This effect appears to be dose related. Other side effects reported include nervousness, excitement, headache, insomnia, tachycardia, palpitations, flushing, nausea and vomiting.

DRUG INTERACTIONS:

- Concomitant use of *Asmatat*® with other oral sympathomimetic agents can cause deleterious effects to the cardiovascular system.
- *Asmatat*® should be administered with extreme caution to patients being treated with MAO inhibitors or tricyclic antidepressants since the action of salbutamol on the vascular system may be potentiated.
- Beta-blockers and *Asmatat*® inhibit the effects of each other.
- Salbutamol may lower serum potassium.

DOSAGE & ADMINISTRATION:

- Adults:
2 mg - 4 mg, 3 - 4 times daily. If needed, each single dose may be increased gradually up to 8 mg.
- Children:
- 1 month - 2 yrs : 1 mg, 2 - 3 times daily.
- 2 - 6 yrs : 1 - 2 mg, 3 - 4 times daily.
- 6 - 12 yrs : 2 mg, 3 - 4 times daily.

AVAILABILITY:

- Syrup Alcohol & Sugar Free : - Bottles of 150 ml containing in each 5 ml (teaspoonful) Salbutamol (as Sulfate) 2 mg. Excipient q.s. 5 ml. Reg. N° Lebanon 28556
- Tablets - Packs of 100 Tablets each containing Salbutamol (as Sulfate) 2 mg. Excipient q.s. 1 Tablet. Reg N° Lebanon 27893

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