

Prostafine®

Tamsulosin Hydrochloride

Forms and presentation

Prostafine®: Modified release capsules: Box of 30.

Composition

Prostafine®: Each modified release capsule contains Tamsulosin Hydrochloride 0.4mg.

Excipients: hydroxypropyl methyl cellulose, sucrose, starch, mannitol, ethyl cellulose, methacrylic acid copolymer dispersion, sodium hydroxide, polysorbate -80, polyethylene glycol, black iron oxide, brilliant blue, erythrosin, titanium dioxide, yellow iron oxide, gelatin.

Why should you take Prostafine®?

Therapeutic class: Urologicals.

ATC code: G04CA02.

Prostafine® is used to treat the symptoms of benign prostatic hyperplasia or BPH. This condition is characterized by an enlarged prostate causing difficulty in starting urination, a weak flow of urine, and the need to urinate urgently or more frequently. Prostafine® relaxes the muscle around the prostate freeing the flow of urine and decreasing urinary symptoms.

What should you know about Prostafine®?

Prostafine® may cause dizziness, especially when you first stand up. Be careful about driving, operating machinery, and performing any other hazardous task until you know how you react to the drug.

What is the recommended dosage of Prostafine®?

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The recommended starting dose of Prostafine® is 1 capsule (0.4 mg) once daily, half an hour after the same meal each day. Your doctor may increase the dose to 2 capsules (0.8 mg) once a day if needed. Do not crush, chew, or open the capsule.

What to do if you miss a dose?

Take it as soon as you remember. If it is almost time for your next dose, skip the one you missed and go back to your regular schedule. Do not take 2 doses at the same time.

What to do in case of overdose?

Any medication taken in excess may lead to serious consequences. If you suspect an overdose, seek medical attention immediately. Symptoms of Prostafine® overdose may include:

Dizziness, fainting, and headache.

Are there any food or drug interactions with Prostafine®?

Prostafine® can be taken with most other drugs; however please consult your doctor before combining Prostafine® with any of the following: alpha-blockers, clonidine hydrochloride, cimetidine and warfarin.

What are the side effects of Prostafine®?

Most Common Side effects are:

Abnormal ejaculation, back pain, chest pain, cough, diarrhea, dizziness, headache, infection, nausea, runny nose, sinus problems, sleepiness, sore throat and weakness.

Less Common Side effects may include:

Decreased sex drive, dental problems, insomnia, and vision problems.

Rare Side effects may include:

Constipation, fainting, low blood pressure upon standing, persistent painful erection, palpitations, vertigo, and vomiting.

Precautions about Prostafine®

In rare cases, Prostafine® may cause a drop in blood pressure upon first standing up, which in turn can lead to dizziness or fainting. Avoid driving and performing other hazardous tasks for 12 hours after your first dose or a dosage increase, and be careful to stand up slowly until you're sure the drug won't make you dizzy. If you do become dizzy, sit down until it passes. An extremely rare side effect (affecting perhaps 1 in 50,000) is priapism, a painful persistent erection unrelated to sexual activity. If you develop this side effect, call your doctor without delay.

What are the cases in which you should not take Prostafine®?

Do not take Prostafine® if you are allergic to the drug or to any of its components.

How to store Prostafine®?

Store below 30°C.

Keep in original pack in intact condition.

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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
- Medicament: keep out of reach of children

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