Bisoprolol Fumarate 1.25 mg and 2.5 mg Tablets

Package leaflet: Information for the user

Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start taking this medicine because it contains important information for you.

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
 If you have any further questions, please ask your doctor or pharmacist.
 This medicine has been prescribed for you only. Do not pass it on to others. It may harm them, even if their signs of illness are the same as yours.
- yours.
 If you get any side effects talk to your doctor or pharmacist. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. See section 4.

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What Bisoprolol Fumarate Tablet is and what it is used

Bisoprolol Fumarate contains the active Bisoproiol rumarate contains the ac ingredient bisoprolof furmarate. Bisoprolol belongs to a group of medicines called beta-blockers. Bisoprolol prevents irregular heart beats (arrhythmia) during stress and decreases cardiovascular workload. Bisoprolol also dilates blood vessels and thus facilitating blood flow.

- Bisoprolol Fumarate is used to
 Treat high blood pressure
 (hypertension).
 Treat coronary heart disease and chest pain (angina pectoris) pain resulting from lack of oxygen in cardiag muscle.
- resulting front lack of oxygen in cardiac muscle.

 Treat heart failure concomitantly with other medications. Heart failure is the inability of your heart to pump enough blood for your body's needs, causing swelling (oedema) of the extremities and shortness of breath.



What you need to know before you take Bisoprolol Fumarate Tablets

Do not take Bisoprolol Fumarate:

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 if you are allergic to bisoprolol or any of the other ingredients of this medicine (listed in section 6),

 if you have heart failure, which has just occurred or which has recently become worse, or you are receiving treatment for circulatory shock due to acute heart failure by intravenous drip feed to help your heart work,

 if you have a very low blood pressure or slow heart rate due to severe cardiac malfunction (so called cardiogenic shock)

 if you have conduction disorders in the heart, such as sick sinus syndrome, sino-atrial block, or second or third degree atrio-ventricular blockade,

 if you have a very low blood pressure,

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 if you have an untreated tumour which might increase blood pressure (so called phaeochromocytoma),

 if you suffer from severe asthma symptoms,

- if you suffer from severe asthma symptoms,
 if you suffer from severe disturbances in the blood circulation system of the extremities, such as intermittent claudication (easily triggered pain in the legs during walking) or Raynaud's syndrome (with whitish, bluish and finally reddish turning fingers or toes
- (with whitish, bluish and finally reddish turning fingers or toes associated with pain),
 if you have a so called metabolic acidosis which is a disturbance ir the acid/base balance such as diabetic patients have when the blood sugar has risen too much

Warnings and precautions:

Talk to your doctor or pharmacist befor taking this medicine; he or she may want to take special care (for example give additional treatment or perform more frequent checks):

- ore frequent checks):
 if you suffer from a symptomless
 and well-treated heart failure,
 kidney or liver problems,
 if you have problems with the valves
 of your heart or a congenital heart
 condition,
- condition,

 if you have suffered a heart attack during the last three months,

 if you have chronic lung disease or less severe asthma (if you use bronchodilating medicines, their doses may have to be adjusted and lung functions may have to be
- lung functions may have to be monitored),

 if you are going to have a surgery or other procedure under sedation or spinal anaesthesio (you must inform the anaesthesiologist that you use Bisoprolol Furmarate),

 if you have diabetes mellitus and your blood sugar values vary greatly (Bisoprolol Furmarate may mask the symptoms of hypoglycaemia and decelerate the recovery of blood surgar values.
- if you are on a strict fast,
 if you have overactive thyroid gland (Bisoprolol Furnarate may mask the

- symptoms of hyperthyroidism),

 If you receive desensitisation
 therapy (Bisoprolol Furnarate may
 strengthen the allergic reactions
 and more medicines may be need
 to treat the allergic reaction.

 If you have a mild conduction
 disturbance of the heart
 (first-degree atrio-ventricular
 blockadel)
- (first-degree atrio-ventricular blockade), if you have chest pain caused by cramping of the heart (coronary) arteries (so called Prinzmetal's angina pectoris) if you use contact lenses (Bisoprolol
- Fumarate may reduce the excretion of tear fluid and cause drying of
- eyes),
 history of a scaly skin rash (psoriasis).

If you have chronic lung disease or less If you have chronic lung disease or less severe asthma please inform your doctor immediately if you start to experience new difficulties in breathing, cough, wheezing after exercise, etc. when using Bisoprolol Fumarate Tablets

Children and adolescents Bisoprolol Fumarate Tablets is not recommended for use in children or adolescents.

Other medicines and Bisoprolol Fumarate
Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking, have recently taken, or might take or have recently taken any other

- medicines.

 Do not take the following medicines with Bisoprolol Furnarate without special advice from your doctor:

 quinidine, disopyramide, lidocaine, phenytoin, flecainide, propafenone (used to treat irregular or abnormal heartheat)
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 verapamil and dilitiazem (used to treat irregular heartheat and blood pressure medicine),

 clonidine, methyldopa, guanfacine, moxonidine and rilmenidine (to treat blood pressure and some neurological diseases). However, do not stop taking these medicines without checking with your doctor first.

Check with your doctor before taking

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 infedipine, felodipine and amlodipine (used to treat high blood pressure or angina or abnormal baset books.)
- heart beat),
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 amiodarone (used to treat irregular
 or abnormal heartbeat),
 beta blockers, including eye-drops
 containing beta blockers, such as
 timolol for glaucoma treatment,
 digitalis such as digoxin used to
 treat heart failure,
 donepzil or tacrine (to treat
 dementia),
- dementia), neostigmine or pyridostigmine (to treat myasthenia gravis, a disease which causes muscle weakness), physostigmine to treat elevated eye

- physostigmine to treat elevated eye pressure (glaucoma).
 so called ergot alkaloids (to treat migraine or low blood pressure).
 other antihypertensive drugs,
 other drugs that may lower the blood pressure, such as tricyclic antidepressants (such as impramine or amtriptyline), phenothiazines such as levomepromazine (to treat psychoses), or barbiturates such as phenoharbital (to treat enginesy). psychoses), or barbiturates such as phenobarbital (to treat epilepsy), adrenaline to treat allergic reactions baclofen and tizanidine (muscle relaxants), amifostine is a minimum to the such as the s

- amifostine (a protective substant during certain cancer therapies),
 mefloquine (an antimalarial),
 rifampicin (an antibiotic),
 insulin and other preparations to treat diabetes mellitus,
 anaesthetic agents (used during surgery)
- surgery),

 oral or intravenous cortisone
- substances,
 so called monoamine oxidase inhibitors i.e. MAO-inhibitors (ex MAO-B inhibitors) such as moclobemide or phenelzine (for depression).

depression).

Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, such as acetylsalicylic acid, diclofenac, ibuprofen, ketoprofen, naproxen, celecoxib, or etoricoxib (especially if used long-term and regularly) may weaken the effectiveness of Bisoprolol Fumarate in treatment of hypertension. However, small daily doses of acetylsalicylic acid, e.g. 100 mg can be used safely concomitantly with Bisoprolol Fumarate to prevent blood clots.

Pregnancy and breast-feeding

If you are pregnant or breast-feeding, think you may be pregnant or are planning to have a baby ask your doct or pharmacist for advice before taking this medicine.

Bisoprolol Fumarate should not be used Bisoprofol Fumarate should not be used during pregnancy unless clearly necessary. If you are planning pregnancy or become pregnant during Bisoprofol Fumarate treatment, contact the doctor for advice on consequential therapy.

It is not known if bisoprolol of Bisoprolo Fumarate is excreted into breast-Therefore, breast-feeding is not recommended during Bisoprolol Fumarate treatment.

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Driving and using machines
Bisoprolol Fumarate Tablets have only
minimal or nonexistent impact to the
ability to drive. Side effects related to
the fall in blood pressure may include
dizziness, headache, tiredness, or other
side effects (see section 4) which might
impair the ability to drive or to operate

machinery. Would such side effects occur, you should refrain from driving and other activities requiring alertness. This should be noted especially at the beginning of the treatment and after increasing the dosage. Bisoprolol Fumartate does not usually affect the ability to drive if the therapy is well-balanced. well-balanced.

Bisoprolol Fumarate tablets contains

sodium
This medicine contains less than 1 mmol sodium (23 mg) per tablet, that is to say essentially 'sodium-free'.



How to take Bisoprolol Fumarate tablets

Always take this medicine exactly as your doctor or pharmacist has told you. Check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure.

The recommended dose is

Adults: To treat hypertension and angina

- pectoris

 Initial dose is usually 5 mg once
- The doctor may increase the dose in increments (usually every few weeks) to 10 mg or 20 mg at maximum if necessary.

To treat stable chronic heart failure
Treatment with bisoprolol must be
started at a low dose and increased
gradually. Your doctor will decide how
to increase the dose, and this will
normally be done in the following way:

1.25 mg bisoprolol once daily for one
week

- 2.5 mg bisoprolol once daily for one

The maximum recommended daily dose is 10 mg bisoprolol.
Depending on how well you tolerate the medicine, your doctor may also decide to lengthen the time between dose to lengthen the time between dose increases. If your condition gets worse or you no longer tolerate the drug, it may be necessary to reduce the dose again or to interrupt treatment. In some patients a maintenance dose lower than 10 mg bisoprolol may be sufficient. Your doctor will tell you what to do. If you have to stop treatment entirely, your doctor will usually advise you to reduce the dose gradually, as otherwise your condition may become worse.

Elderly:
Dosage adjustment is not necessary for elderly people unless they have a renal or hepatic insufficiency, see below.

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Patients suffering from renal or hepatic insufficiency.
The dosage should be increased very gradually and cautiously in patients with severe kidney or liver problems. The dosage should not exceed 10mg once daily in patients with severe kidney or liver problems.

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Swallow the tablet with a sufficient
amount of fluid (e.g. one glass of water)
usually once a day in the morning.
Tablets are not to be chewed. Eating
does not affect the absorption of the
medicine.

Bisoprolol Fumarate 2.5 mg Tablets

The tablet can be divided into equal Ine tablet can be drivided into equal doses. Please divide the tablets as follows: Place the tablets on a flat, hard surface (e.g. table) and divide the tablets by pressing with the index fingers of both hands on the right and left of the score line on the outside of the tablet towards the surface.

If you take more Bisoprolol Fumarate than you should If you or anyone else has taken an overdose of Bisoprolol Fumarate contact a doctor or hospital emergency room immediately

In case of nausea or dizziness, place the patient in a lying down position and seek medical assistance. An unconscious patient must be turned to the recovery position however the legs may be elevated.

If you forget to take Bisoprolol

Fumarate
Take the next tablet normally, when it is the time to take it. Do not take a double dose to make up for a forgotten dose.

If you stop taking Bisoprolol Fumarate

Treatment with Bisoprolor Funiate should not be stopped abruptly especially if the patient has a coronary disease. The dosage should be reduced gradually according to instructions provided by the doctor, e.g. over 1 to 2 weeks. Otherwise symptoms of a cardiac disease may worsen.

If you have any further questions on the use of this medicine, ask your doctor or pharmacist.



Possible side effects

Like all medicines, this medicine can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

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To prevent serious reactions, speak to a doctor immediately if a side effect is severe, occurred suddenly or gets worse rapidly. The most serious side effects are related to the heart function where the most common side effects have been too slow a heart beat, excessive decrease of blood pressure, dizziness and fatigue.

Further side effects are listed below cording to how frequently they may occur:

Very common (may affect more than 1 in 10 people)

• too slow heartbeat (in patients with heart failure)

Common (may affect up to 1 in 10

- dizziness, headache
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 worsening of symptoms of heart failure (in patients with pre-existin heart failure)
 feeling coldness or numbness in the autremittes
- feeling coldness or numbness in the extremities too low blood pressure (in patients with heart failure) gastrointestinal complaints, such as nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, or constipation
- asthenia (in patients with heart failure), fatigue

Uncommon (may affect up to 1 in 100

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 obstructive pulmonary disease)
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Rare (may affect up to 1 in 1,000

- inghtmares, hallucinations
 fainting (syncope)
 reduced tear flow (take this into account if you wear contact lenses)
 hearing disorders
 hepatitis (causing upper abdominal

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 hypersensitivity reactions, such as itching, flush, or rash. You should see your doctor straight away if yo experience more severe allergic reactions, which may involve face,

- reactions, which may involve fac neck, tongue, mouth or throat swelling, or difficulty breathing, potency disorders increased levels of liver enzymes (laboratory tests ALAT or ASAT), allergic rhinitis (blocked, runny, itchy nose)

Very rare (may affect up to 1 in 10,000

- conjunctivitis (eye inflammation)
 hair loss (alopecia), worsening of psoriasis or psoriasis like rash.

Reporting of suspected adverse

If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor or pharmacist. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. You can also report side effects directly via www.mhra.gov.uk/vellowcard or search for MHRA Yellow Card in the Google Play or Apple App Store

By reporting side effects you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

How to store Bisoprolol Fumarate tablets

Keep this medicine out of the sight and reach of children.

Do not use this medicine after the expiry date which is stated on the blister and the carton after EXP. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month.

This medicine does not require any special storage conditions.

Do not throw away any medicines via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to throw away medicines you no longer use. These measures will help protect the environment.

6 Contents of the pack and other information

What Bisoprolol Furnarate Tablets

The active substance is bisoprolol

fumarate. Each 1.25 mg tablet contains 1.25 mg bisoprolol fumarate. Each 2.5 mg tablet contains 2.5 mg bisoprolol fumarate.

Other ingredients are cellulose microcrystalline, silica colloidal anhydrous, croscarmellose sodium, sodium starch glycolate (Type A) and magnesium stearate.

What Bisoprolol Fumarate Tablets looks like and contents of the pack Bisoprolol Fumarate 1.25mg tablets are white to off-white, round, biconvex

tablets.
Bisoprolol Fumarate 2.5mg tablets are white to off-white, round, biconvex tablets with a break line on one side.

Package includes 20, 21, 28, 30, 50, 56, 60, 90, or 100 tablets (not all pack sizes may be marketed).

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