

Package leaflet: Information for the user

## Domperidone 10mg Tablets

(domperidone maleate)

#### Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start taking this medicine

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- If you have any further questions, ask
- your doctor or pharmacist.
  This medicine has been prescribed for you. Do not pass it on to others. It may harm them, even if their symptoms are the same as 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 DOMPERIDONE TABLETS ARE AND WHAT THEY ARE USED

The name of your medicine is Domperidone 10mg Tablets (called Domperidone in this leaflet). Domperidone Tablets contain domperidone as the active ingredient, which belongs to a group of medicines called 'dopamine antagonists'.

This medicine is used to treat nausea (feeling sick) and vomiting (being sick) in adults and adolescents (12 years of age and older and weighing 35 kg or more).

# WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE YOU TAKE DOMPERIDONE **TABLETS**

## Do Not take Domperidone Tablets if :

- You are allergic (hypersensitive) to domperidone or any of the other ingredients of Domperidone 10mg tablets (listed in section 6)
- You have black, tarry bowel motions (stools) or notice blood in your bowel motions. This could be a sign of bleeding in the stomach or intestines
- You have a blockage or tear in your intestines
- You have a tumour of the pituitary gland (prolactinoma).
- you have a moderate or severe liver
- your ECG (electrocardiogram) shows a heart problem called "prolonged QT corrected interval"
- you have or had a problem where your heart cannot pump the blood round your body as well as it should (condition called heart failure).
- you have a problem that gives you a low level of potassium or magnesium, or a high level of potassium in your blood. you are taking certain medicines (see
- "Other medicines and Domperidone tablets").

Do not take domperidone tablets if any of the above applies to you. If you are not sure, talk to your doctor or pharmacist before taking this medicine.

## Warnings and precautions

Talk to your doctor or pharmacist before taking Domperidone 10mg Tablets if:

- You suffer from liver problems (liver function impairment or failure) (see "Do not take Domperidone Tablets if")
- You suffer from kidney problems (kidney function impairment or failure). It is advisable to ask your doctor for advice in case of prolonged treatment as you may need to take a lower dose or take this medicine less often, and your doctor may want to examine you regularly.

If you are not sure if any of the above apply to you, talk to your doctor or pharmacist before taking Domperidone. Do this even if

they have applied in the past. Domperidone may be associated with an increased risk of heart rhythm disorder and

cardiac arrest. This risk may be more likely in those over 60 years old or taking doses higher than 30mg per day.

The risk also increases when domperidone is given together with some drugs.

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking drugs to treat infection (fungal infections or bacterial infection) and/or if you have heart problems or AIDS/HIV (see "Other medicines and Domperidone tablets").

Domperidone should be used at the lowest effective dose. While taking domperidone, contact your doctor if you experience heart rhythm disorders such as palpitations, trouble breathing, loss of consciousness. Treatment with domperidone should be stopped.

Adolescents weighing less than 35 kg and <u>children</u>

Domperidone should not be given to adolescents 12 years of age and older weighing less than 35 kg, or in any children less than 12 years of age, as it is not effective in these age groups.

# Other medicines and Domperidone

Please tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking or have recently taken any other medicines. This includes medicines you can buy without a prescription, including herbal medicines. This is because Domperidone can affect the way some other medicines work. Also, some medicines can affect the way Domperidone works.

Do not take Domperidone tablet if you are taking medicine to treat:

- Fungal infections such as azole antifungals, specifically oral ketoconazole, fluconazole or voriconazole
- Bacterial infections, specifically erythromycin, clarithromycin, telithromycin, moxifloxacin, pentamidine (these are antibiotics)
- Heart problems or high blood pressure (e.g., amiodarone, dronedarone, quinidine, disopyramide, dofetilide, sotalol, diltiazem, verapamil)
- Psychoses (e.g., haloperidol, pimozide, sertindole)
- Depression (e.g., citalopram, escitalopram)
- Gastro-intestinal disorders (e.g. cisapride, dolasetron, prucalopride)
- Allergy (e.g., mequitazine, mizolastine)
- Malaria (in particular halofantrine)
- AIDS/HIV (protease inhibitors)
- Cancer (e.g., toremifene, vandetanib, vincamine)
- Certain other medicines (e.g., bepridil, diphemanil, methadone)

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking drugs to treat infection, heart problems or AIDS/HIV.

Domperidone and apomorphine Before you use Domperidone tablet and apomorphine, your doctor will ensure that you tolerate both medicines when used simultaneously. Ask your doctor or specialist for a personalised advice. Please refer to apomorphine leaflet.

It is important to ask your doctor or pharmacist if Domperidone tablet is safe for you when you are taking any other medicines, including medicines obtained without prescription.

#### Taking Domperidone Tablets with food and drink

It is recommended to take Domperidone when taken after the absorption of the medicine is slightly delayed.

Pregnancy and breast-feeding Talk to your doctor or pharmacist before

taking Domperidone tablets if: You are pregnant, might become pregnant or think you may be pregnant

You are breast-feeding. It is best not to take Domperidone tablets if you are breast-feeding. Small amounts of Domperidone have been detected in breast milk.

Domperidone may cause unwanted side effects affecting the heart in a breastfed baby. Domperidone should be used during breast feeding only if your physician considers this clearly necessary. Ask your doctor for advice before taking this

#### **Driving and using machines** Domperidone does not affect your ability to

drive or use machines. Important information about some

## of the ingredients of Domperidone **Tablets**

If you have been told by your doctor that you have an intolerance to some sugars, contact your doctor before taking this medicinal product.





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#### Information on sodium content

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

# HOW TO TAKE DOMPERIDONE

Always take Domperidone Tablets exactly as your doctor has told you. You should check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure.

#### **Duration of treatment:**

Your doctor will decide how long you will need to take this medicine.

Symptoms usually resolve with 3-4 days of taking this medicine. Do not take Domperidone tablets for longer than 7 days without consulting your doctor.

#### Taking this medicine

- Swallow the tablets whole with a drink of water.
- Take the tablets 15 to 30 minutes before a meal.
- Do not crush or chew them

The usual dose is:

#### Adults and adolescents 12 years of age and older with a body weight of 35 kg or more

- The usual dose is one tablet taken up to three times per day, if possible before meals. Do not take more than three tablets per day.
- This product is not suitable for children under 12 years of age and older with a body weight of less than 35kg.

#### People with kidney problems

Your doctor may tell you to take a lower dose or to take the medicine less often.

#### If you take more Domperidone Tablets than you should

- If you have used or taken too many Domperidone tablets, contact your doctor, pharmacist, or the poisons centre at your nearest hospital casualty department immediately. Take the carton and any tablets left with you. This is so the doctors know what you have taken. In the events of overdose, symptomatic treatment could be implemented. An ECG monitoring could be undertaken, because of the possibility of heart problem called prolonged QT interval.
- The signs of taking more than you should include feeling sleepy, confused, uncontrolled movements which include unusual eye movements, unusual movements of the tongue or abnormal posture (such as a twisted neck)

# If you forget to take Domperidone Tablets

- If you forgot to take Domperidone, take it as soon as you remember.
- However If it is almost time for your next dose, wait until that is due and continue as normal.
- Do not take a double dose to make up for a forgotten dose.

## 4. POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS

Like all medicines, Domperidone Tablets can have side effects, although not everybody gets them.

#### Stop taking Domperidone and see your doctor or go to a hospital straightaway if:

- You get swelling of the hands, feet, ankles, face, lips or throat which may cause difficulty in swallowing or breathing. You could also notice an itchy, lumpy rash (hives) or nettle rash (urticaria). This may mean you are having an allergic reaction to Domperidone.
- You notice any uncontrolled movements. These include irregular eye movements, unusual movements of the tongue, and abnormal posture such as a twisted neck, trembling and muscle stiffness. These symptoms should stop once you stop taking Domperidone.
- You have a very fast or unusual heartbeat. This could be a sign of a lifethreatening heart problem.
- You have a fit (seizure).

#### Other side effects include: Common (may affect up to 1 in 10 people):

Dry mouth

# Uncommon (may affect up to 1 in 100

- Lowering of sexual drive (libido) in men
- Feeling anxious Feeling drowsy

- Headaches
- Diarrhoea
- Itchy skin. You may also have a rash Unusual production of breast milk in men
- and women
- Painful or tender breasts
- A general feeling of weakness

Not known (Frequency cannot be estimated from the available data):

- Disorders of the cardiovascular system: heart rhythm disorders (rapid or irregular heart beat) have been reported; if this happens, you should stop the treatment immediately. Domperidone may be associated with an increased risk of heart rhythm disorder and cardiac arrest. This risk may be more likely in those over 60 years old or taking doses higher than 30 mg per day. Domperidone should be used at the lowest effective dose
- Feeling agitated or irritable
- Feeling more nervous than usual
- Abnormal eye movements
- Inability to urinate
- Breast enlargement in men
- In women, menstrual periods may be irregular or stop
- A blood test shows changes in the way your liver is working.

Some patients who have used Domperidone for conditions and dosages requiring longer term medical supervision have experienced the following unwanted effects:

Restlessness; swollen or enlarged breasts, unusual discharge from breasts, irregular menstrual periods in women, difficulty breastfeeding, depression, hypersensitivity.

### Reporting of side effects

If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor or pharmacist or nurse. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. You can also report side effects directly via the yellow card scheme at: www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard 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.

#### 5. HOW TO STORE DOMPERIDONE **TABLETS**

Keep out of the reach and sight of children.

Do not store above 25°C. Store in the original package.

Do not use the tablets after the expiry date is stated on the label.

Medicines should not be disposed of via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to dispose of medicines no longer required. These measures will help to protect the environment.

# 6. CONTENTS OF THE PACK AND OTHER INFORMATION

#### What Domperidone Tablets contain The active substance is domperidone

maleate, 10mg per tablet.

The other ingredients are microcrystalline cellulose, lactose monohydrate, maize starch, povidone K30, sodium lauryl sulphate, silica colloidal anhydrous, magnesium stearate (see Section 2 'Important information about some of the ingredients of Domperidone Tablets').

#### What Domperidone Tablets looks like and contents of the pack

The tablets are white, round, biconvex and uncoated with "Dm 10" marked on one side. They are available in blister packs of 30 and 100 tablets.

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