

Composition : Piracetam 800 mg Tablet.

Indications : Piracetam is indicated for patients suffering from myoclonus of cortical origin. Cerebral vascular accidents like stroke, head injuries and other acute cases. Aging disorders such as reduced cerebral functioning evidenced by memory loss, intellectual decay, character disorders, psychomotor disorders etc. It is also used for the treatment of mental retardation in children.

Dosage and administration : Initially 7.2 gm daily in 2-3 divided dose, increased according to response by 4.8 gm every 3-4 days to max. 24gm daily (subsequently, attempts should be made to reduce dose of concurrent therapy). Child under 16 years not recommended. Or, as directed by the registered physicians.

Side effects : Most commonly reported adverse effects are- insomnia or somnolence, weight gain, hyperkinesia, nervousness and sleep disturbance. Diarrhea and rashes may occur at a lower frequency.

Contraindications : Piracetam is contraindicated in patients with severe renal insufficiency (renal creatinine clearance <20 ml/min) and hepatic impairment.

Use in pregnancy and lactation : There are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Piracetam passes into breast milk. Piracetam is to be avoided during pregnancy and lactation.

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Drug interactions : In a single case, confusion, irritability and sleep disorders were reported in concomitant use with thyroid extract (T3+T4). There are no known interactions of piracetam with other drugs.

Precautions : Patients suffering from renal disorders should take piracetam with caution and lower doses. When the creatinine clearance is between 20 and 60 ml/min, or the serum creatinine is between 1.25 and 3 mg/100ml, the doses prescribed should be calculated as following:

| Creatinine clearance (ml/min) | Serum creatinine (mg/100ml) | Dosage |
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| 60-40 | 1.25-1.7 | ½ of normal dose |
| 40-20 | 1.70-3.0 | ¼ of normal dose |

Packing :

D-pira : 3 x 10's tablets in blister pack.