

Description

Promethazine Hydrochloride (Otosil®) is a phenothiazine derivative. It is widely used for the treatment of different type of allergic reactions.

Mode of action

Promethazine has prolonged antihistaminic actions by its antagonising effects on H₁-receptors. Promethazine does not antagonise gastric secretion which is mediated by H₂-receptors.

Composition

Otosil® 10 mg Tablet: Each film-coated tablet contains Promethazine Hydrochloride BP 10 mg.

Otosil® 25 mg Tablet: Each film-coated tablet contains Promethazine Hydrochloride BP 25 mg.

Otosil® 60 ml Elixir: Each 5 ml contains Promethazine Hydrochloride BP 5 mg

 $\mathbf{Otosil}^{\circledcirc}$ 100 ml Elixir: Each 5 ml contains Promethazine Hydrochloride BP 5 mg.

Indications

As an antihistamine; anticholinergic, antiemetic and antipruritic; allergic manifestations caused by insect bites, drugs like antibiotics, sulphonamides, diseases like measles, small pox; urticaria, angioneurotic oedema and vasomotor rhinorrhoea; cough and common cold; motion sickness.

Dosage & administration

Adult: 25 mg at night, increased upto 25 mg twice daily if needed, or 10-20 mg 2-3 times daily. *Child*: Below 2 years- not recommended; 2-5 years, 5-15 mg; 5-10 years, 10-25 mg daily in 1-2 divided doses.

Contraindications

Patients hypersensitive to promethazine.

Side effects

Drowsiness, dizziness, diarrhoea, disorientation and photosensitivity may occur rarely.

Use in pregnancy & lactation

Use in pregnancy and lactation has shown no hazards. Nevertheless, as a precaution it should not be used in pregnancy and lactation unless the physician considers it essential.

Precautions

Patients receiving promethazine for the first time should not be in control of vehicles or machineries. Overdoses of this drug may be recognised by convulsion, ataxia, nightmares and hallucinations. Intake of alcohol should be avoided during treatment with promethazine. Promethazine should be used cautiously in hepatic diseases.

Drug interactions

Promethazine should not be taken with any of the MAO (mono-amine oxidase) inhibitor class of antidepressants, for example, isocarboxazid, phenelzine, tranylcypromine and procarbazine, since the effects of both drugs add to each other and lead to complications.

Storage

Store in a cool and dry place, protected from light.

Packaging

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