

APO-TERAZOSIN TABLETS

Terazosin Hydrochloride (1mg, 2mg)

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What Apo-Terazosin is used for

Terazosin is used for the treatment of high blood pressure.

Terazosin is also used for the treatment of enlarged prostate (benign prostatic hypertrophy or BPH).

How Apo-Terazosin works

Terazosin relaxes blood vessels, allowing blood to flow through them more easily.

For BPH, terazosin helps to relax the muscles in the prostate and bladder. This helps to improve urine flow and decrease symptoms of BPH. Terazosin does not slow or stop the progression of enlarged prostate.

Before you use Apo-Terazosin

- When you must not use it

This medication should not be used by anyone who is allergic to terazosin.

- Before you start to take it

Tell your doctor if:

- You are pregnant, plan to become pregnant, or are breast-feeding.

- Taking other medicines

The following medications may affect the way that terazosin works or may increase the risk of side effects:

- other medications that lower blood pressure (antihypertensives)
- verapamil

How to use Apo-Terazosin

- How much to use

The recommended adult dose of terazosin for high blood pressure starts at 1 mg at bedtime and is slowly increased until the desired blood pressure response is achieved. The usual dose ranges from 1 mg to 5 mg daily.

The recommended adult dose of terazosin for treatment of enlarged prostate starts at 1 mg at bedtime, with increases at weekly intervals to 2 mg, 5 mg, or 10 mg once daily to achieve the desired improvement of symptoms.

- When to use it

Use as directed by your doctor or pharmacist.

- How long to use it

Do not stop taking without first talking to your doctor. Stopping abruptly may cause your condition to become worse.

- If you forget to use it

Take the missed dose as soon as you remember.

If it is almost time for the next dose however, skip the missed dose and take only the next regularly scheduled dose. Do not take a double dose of this medication.

- If you use too much (overdose)

If overdosage occurs, in all cases treatment should be discontinued and you should immediately contact your doctor or go to your nearest hospital emergency department.

While you are using it

- Things you must do

Take your medicine exactly as your doctor has told you.

Tell all the doctors, dentists and pharmacists treating you that you are taking Apo-Terazosin.

Tell your doctor immediately if you become pregnant while taking this medication.

- Things you must not do

Do not stop taking the medicine unless advised by your doctor.

Do not take any new medicines without consulting your doctor.

Do not give Apo-Terazosin to anyone else, even if they have the same symptoms or condition as you.

- Things to be careful of

The first few doses of terazosin can cause extreme lowering of blood pressure, especially when moving from lying or sitting to a standing position. Sometimes even loss of consciousness can occur. If these symptoms occur, lie down and wait for a few minutes before standing to prevent their recurrence, then get up very gradually.

Side effects

The following side effects may go away as your body becomes used to the medicine; check with your doctor if they continue or become bothersome.

The most serious side effect encountered is syncope (fainting), but very rarely occur.

Other side effects include dizziness, headache, nasal congestion, chest pain, edema, sweating, or blurred vision.

This is not a complete list of side effects and others may occur. Tell your doctor about any unusual or bothersome side effect.

You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to the National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by calling Tel: 03-78835550, or visiting the website portal.bpfk.gov.my (Consumers → Reporting).

Storage and Disposal of Apo-Terazosin

- Storage

Remember to keep APO-TERAZOSIN and all medications safely away from children.

Do not use this medicine after the month and year written after EXP on the container.

Store APO-TERAZOSIN at room temperature (below 25°C), away from light.

- Disposal

Ask your pharmacist what to do with any tablets you have left over if your doctor tells you to stop taking them, or you find that the expiry date has passed.

Product Description

- What it looks like

1 mg: each round, white, flat-faced bevelled edged tablet engraved "APO" on one side and "T1" on the other. Contains 1 mg of terazosin as terazosin hydrochloride.

2 mg: each round, orange, flat-faced bevelled edged tablet

engraved "APO" on one side and "T2" on the other. Contains 2 mg of terazosin as terazosin hydrochloride.

- Ingredients

- Active ingredient: Terazosin

- Inactive ingredients: Corn starch, microcrystalline cellulose, magnesium stearate and anhydrous lactose.

Apo-Terazosin 2mg also contains D& C Yellow #10 Aluminium Lake 14-18% and Sunset Yellow Aluminium Lake 40%.

- MAL numbers:

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