

TICLODINE TABLET

Ticlopidine hydrochloride (250mg)

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What Ticlodine is used for

Ticlopidine is used for:

- maintenance of heart by-pass grafts
- maintenance in patients on long term hemodialysis
- reducing risk of fatal or non-fatal stroke in patients who have experienced stroke warning symptoms
- patient who had a completed stroke

Because Ticlodine is associated with a risk of low blood neutrophil counts or low white blood cell counts, which may be life-threatening, ticlopidine should be reserved for patients who are intolerant to treatment with aspirin which is used to prevent stroke.

How Ticlodine works

Ticlopidine tablet contain ticlopidine which is used to help prevent the formation of blood clots. Ticlopidine belongs to a group of medicines called platelet aggregation inhibitors. These medicines work by reducing the ability of blood clotting cells (platelets) to stick to each other and to blood vessel walls. This lessens the ability of blood clots forming in unwanted places such as narrowed blood vessels.

Before you use Ticlodine

- When you must not use it

Do not take Ticlodine if you have any of the following medical conditions:

- allergic to ticlopidine or any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.
- any blood disorder such as low white blood cell count, no white blood cells or a low platelet count.
- any active bleeding problems such as a stomach ulcer or bleeding inside the head (intracranial bleeding).

- Before you start to use it

Inform your doctor if you have:

- bleeding problem
- taken or taking any blood thinning medicines such as heparin

- a surgery plan as treatment should be stopped at least 10-14 days before surgery.
- kidney or liver problem

- Taking other medications

- Non-steroidal anti inflammatory medicines (NSAIDs), anti-clotting medicines, heparin and salicylic medicines – may increase bleeding risk.
- Theophylline – concomitant administration resulted in significant increase of theophylline in blood.
- Digoxin - ticlopidine decreases digoxin levels in blood.
- Antacid – decreases ticlopidine in blood. Both medicines should be administered at least 1-2 hours apart.
- Cimetidine – decreases the clearing of ticlopidine.
- Phenytoin – several cases of increased blood phenytoin level with associated drowsiness and tiredness have been reported following co-administration.
- Blood phenytoin levels should be remeasured.
- Propranolol – caution should be exercised when used together with ticlopidine.

Tell your doctor if you are taking any other medicines, including any that you buy without a prescription from a pharmacy, supermarket or health foodshop

How to take Ticlodine

- How much to use

Adults: 1-2 tablets daily, with meals. Follow all directions given to you by your doctor and pharmacist carefully. They may differ from the information contained in this leaflet. If you do not understand the instruction on the label, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

- When to use it

Always take ticlopidine exactly as your doctor has told you.

- How long to use it

Continue taking Ticlodine for as long as your doctor recommends.

- If you forget to use it

Do not take a double dose to make up for a forgotten tablet.

- If you use too much (overdose)

Contact your doctor immediately or go to the emergency department of your nearest hospital, if you think you or anyone else may have taken too much of this medicine.

Overdosage may cause severe gastrointestinal problems and increased the risk of bleeding.

While you are using Ticlodine

- 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 Ticlodine.

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

- Things you must not do

Do not stop or change the dose of Ticlodine without consulting your doctor.

- Things to be careful of

Do not drive or operating machinery until you know how Ticlodine affects you.

Side effects

Like all medicines, Ticlodine can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them. Visit your doctor or pharmacist immediately if you are experience any side effects after taking this medicine.

- Gastrointestinal disturbances and skin rashes are the most commonly reported side effects.
- Abnormal blood conditions and bleeding disorders have also occurred.
- Liver problems have also been reported.
- Blood lipid/fat concentration may increase during long term therapy.
- Very low blood counts of white blood cells and clotting agents may occur in some patients.

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 Ticlodine

- Storage

Store in cool, dry place below 30°C. Protect from light. Keep out of reach of children.

- Disposal

Ask your pharmacist how to dispose of medicines. 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.

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Product description

- *What it looks like*

White, round, biconvex, non- scored film-coated tablet.

- *Ingredients*

- Active ingredients: ticlopidine hydrochloride

- Inactive ingredients: lactose, microcrystalline cellulose, silicon dioxide, citric acid, stearic acid, magnesium stearate, hydroxypropyl methylcellulose, purified water, talc, titanium dioxide, carbowax, alcohol, simethicone and polyvinylpyrrolidone

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