TAMBOCOR TABLET

Flecainide acetate 100mg

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What Tambocor is used for

Tambocor is used to treat a heart condition called arrhythmia.

Arrhythmia is an irregular or abnormal heart beat.

How Tambocor works

Tambocor contains the active ingredient Flecainide acetate 100mg. It belongs to a group of medicines called anti-arrthymic medicine.

Tambocor works by slowing down the impulses that cause the heart to beat irregularly or abnormally.

Ask your pharmacist or doctor if you have any questions about this medicine.

Before you use Tambocor

When you must not use it

Do not take Tambocor if you have any of the following:

- You are allergic to Flecainide acetate or any other ingredients of Tambocor tablets
- You have a heart failure
- You have had a myocardiac infraction (heart attack)
- You have a long standing atrial fibrillation (rapid contractions of muscles in the heart)
- You have had problems with the valves in your heart

- You have sinus node dysfunction (a specific condition where your heart beats abnormally)
- You have heart block (your heart misses beats)

Do not take Tambocor:

- after the expiry date on the pack;
- if the packaging shows signs of tampering.
- unless advised by your doctor

Before you start to use it

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if

- you have allergies to any other medicines
- you have any heart problems;
- you have any liver or kidney problems;

Tell your doctor if you are pregnant or breast feeding or intend to become pregnant or breastfeed.

Taking other medicines

Tell your pharmacist or doctor if you are taking any other medicines, including any that you get without a prescription from your pharmacy, supermarket or health food shop.

Some medicine and Tambocor may interfere with each other. These include:

- Sodium channel blockers
- Digoxin
- Beta blockers
- Phenytoin
- Phenobarbital
- Carbamazepine
- Amiodarone

You may need different amounts of your medicines, or you may need to take different medicines.

Your doctor or pharmacist has more information on medicines to be careful with or avoid while taking Tambocor.

How to use Tambocor

Follow all directions given to you by your pharmacist or doctor carefully.

They may differ from the information contained in this leaflet.

If you do not understand the instructions on the pack, ask your pharmacist or doctor for help.

How much to use

Adults:

Supraventricular arrhythmias (irregular heart beat that starts in the upper chambers of your heart):

The usual dose is half tablet twice a day. Your doctor will prescribe up to a total dose of 300mg (3 tablets a day)

Ventricular arrhythmias (irregular heart beat that starts in the lower chambers of your heart)

The usual dose is one tablet twice a day. Your doctor will prescribe up to a total dose of 400mg (4 tablets a day)

Children:

Tambocor is not recommended for children under 12 years of age.

The elderly and patients with kidney problems:

You doctor may prescribe a lower dose for you. While you are taking this medicine, your doctor may ask you to have check-ups. These are to make sure that your medicine is working properly and that the dose you are taking is right for you.

When to use it

Take Tambocor at about the same time each day.

How long to use it

Take this medicine as long as your doctor tells you to.

If you forget to use it

If you miss a dose, take it as soon as you remember. If it is near to the next dosing time, do not take a double dose to replace it. Just take the dose as usual.

If you use too much (overdose)

Immediately telephone your doctor for advice, or go the Accident and Emergency at the nearest hospital, if you think that you or anyone else may have taken too much Tambocor. Do this even if there are no signs of discomfort or poisoning.

While you are using it

Things you must do

Tell all doctors and pharmacists who are treating you that you are taking Tambocor.

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

Things you must not do

Do not take Tambocor to treat any other complaints unless your pharmacist or doctor tells you to.

Do not give your medicine to anyone else, even if they have the same condition as you.

Things to be careful of

Be careful driving or operating machinery until you know how Tambocor affects you.

Side effects

The side effects of Tambocor include

- Heartbeat changes, it starts to pound, or it gets faster or slower
- Skin problems associated with exposure to sunlight
- Nausea and vomiting
- Increased in liver enzyme or jaundice
- Giddiness, dizziness, and light-headedness.

- Numb an dtingling hand or feet
- Unsteady walking or uncontrolled movement
- Small cloudy spot on the eyeball
- Double vision and blurring of vision
- Certain lungs disease (pulmonary fibrosis) or inflammation of the lungs (pneumonitis)

If you notice any side effects that are not listed here tell your doctor or pharmacist.

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

Storage and disposal of Tambocor

Storage

Keep your medicine in a cool dry place where the temperature stays below 30°C.

Do not store Tambocor or any other medicine in the bathroom or near a sink. Do not leave it on a window sill or in the car.

Heat and dampness can destroy some medicines.

Keep it where children cannot reach it.

A locked cupboard at least one-and-ahalf metres above the ground is a good place to store medicines.

Disposal

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

Product description

What it looks like

Tambocor tablet is a while circular tablets with "3M" marked on one side and "TR100" with the break line on the other side, in a carton of 60 tablets.

Ingredients

Active ingredients

Flecainide acetate 100mg

- Inactive ingredients

Pregelatinised maize starch, microcrystalline cellulose, hydrogenated vegetable oil, magnesium stearate, croscarmellose sodium.

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