SALBUTAMOL HFA METERED DOSE INHALER

(Salbutamol (100mcg/actuation)

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What Salbutamol inhaler is used for

Salbutamol inhaler is used in the treatment and prevention of bronchospasm (constriction of the airways going into the lungs) in the asthma, chronic bronchitis (inflammation in the air passages in the lungs) and emphysema (damages the air sacs in your lungs).

How Salbutamol inhaler works

Salbutamol belongs to a group of antiasthmatic medicines known as bronchodilators. It works by widening the airways in the lungs and thereby increasing the air flow.

Before you use Salbutamol inhaler

- When you must not use it

Do not use Salbutamol inhaler if you are allergic to salbutamol or any other ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.

- Before you start use it

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you have thyrotoxicosis (excessive amount of thyroid hormone).

Pregnancy and breast-feeding

Talk to your doctor before taking this medicine if

 You are pregnant, might become pregnant or think you may be pregnant You are breast-feeding or planning to breast feed as salbutamol is probably found in breast milk, its use in nursing mothers requires careful consideration.

Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking any medicine if you are pregnant or breast feeding.

- Taking other medicines

Please tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking or have recently taken any other medicines, including medicines obtained without prescription.

In particular, tell your doctor if you are taking:

- Non- selective beta-blockers (such as propranolol) or water tablets (diuretics), used to treat high blood pressure or a heart condition.
- Steroids
- Xanthine derivatives (such as Aminophylines)

How to use Salbutamol inhaler

Always use this medicine exactly as your doctor has told you. Check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are unsure.

The label should remind you of how many actuations (puffs) to take and how often you should take them.

Do not take more than your doctor has told you to.

-How much to use it

Adults and children over four years of age

For the relief of acute episodes of bronchospasm

1-2 puffs four to six time daily

To prevent exercise induced bronchospasm

Two puffs 15 minutes prior to exercise

Children below 4 years of age: Safety and effectiveness of inhaled salbutamol have not been established.

- When to use it

Use as directed by your doctor or pharmacist.

- How long to use it

Continue taking Salbutamol inhaler for as long as your doctor recommends.

- If you forget to use it

Consult your doctor or pharmacist on what you should do if you forget to use it

Take the missed dose as soon as you remember. If it is almost time for your next dose, wait until then to take the medicine and skip the missed dose. Do not take a double dose to make up for the missed dose.

- 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. Do this even if there are no sign of discomfort or poisoning. You may need urgent medical attention

Symptoms of over dosage include tremor, flushing (redness of the skin), agitation and feeling of strong heart beat due to increased heartbeat.

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 Salbutamol inhaler.

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 or pharmacist.

Do not give Salbutamol inhaler to anyone else, even if they have the same symptoms or condition as you.

- Things to be careful of

The metal canister of salbutamol inhaler is pressurized. It should not be broken, punctured or burnt, even when apparently empty.

Side effects

Like all medicines Salbutamol can cause side effects, although not everybody gets, Very rare allergic reactions, including nettle rash or hives, bronchospasms, fall in blood pressure, collapse or swelling of the skin on the face.

Other side effects includes

- Mild tremor
- Headache
- Paradoxical bronchospasm (worsening of breathing). If it occurs, the therapy should be discontinued immediately and alternative therapy instituted.
- Hypokalaemia (deficiency of potassium in the bloodstream)

If any of the side effects get serious, or if you notice any side effects not listed in this leaflet, please tell your doctor or pharmacist.

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 npra.moh.gov.my (Consumers → Reporting Medicinal Problem/Side Effect/ AEFI/ Vaccine Safety).

Storage and Disposal of Salbutamol inhaler

- Storage

Salbutamol inhaler should be stored in a dry place, below 30°C and protect from light.

Inhaler should not be freeze.

- Disposal

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.

Product Description

- What it looks like

An easily actuated aerosol containing a white to off white suspension with characteristic odor in a suitable liquid, in a suitable pressurized canister fitted with valve.

- Ingredients

- Active ingredient Salbutamol Sulfate 100mcg per actuation (micronized)
- Inactive ingredients Oleic acid, Ethanol, Propellant HFA 134a, Aluminium containers (19cc), Metered valves (50µl)
- <u>MAL number:</u> MAL12030002AZ

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