

BIOWELL ATRIZINE TABLET 10 MG

Cetirizine Hydrochloride B.P. (10mg)

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What BioWell Atrizine is used for

BioWell Atrizine is used for adults and children of 2 years and above to treat seasonal allergic rhinitis (pollen allergic), perennial allergic rhinitis (hay fever) and urticaria (hives) of allergic origin.

How BioWell Atrizine works

BioWell Atrizine contains Cetirizine Hydrochloride which is an antihistamine agent. Antihistamine can help to relieve the symptoms of some allergies and itchy skin rashes.

Before you use BioWell Atrizine

- When you must not use it

Do not take this medicine if:

- You have ever had an allergic reaction to antihistamines or to any of the other ingredients (listed in later part of this leaflet).
- You have severe kidney problems.
- You are lactose intolerance.

If you are not sure whether you should start taking this medicine, talk to your pharmacist or doctor.

- Before you start to use it

Tell your doctor if you are taking or have recently taken any other medicines, including medicines obtained without a prescription, as they may interact with BioWell Atrizine.

- Taking other medicines

Consumption of alcohol at the same time may reduce the alertness and impairment of performance.

Other interactions not stated may occur. Talk to your doctor or pharmacist if you have any other concerns.

How to use BioWell Atrizine

- How much to use

Swallow BioWell Atrizine with water at the recommended dose as follows:

- **Adult:**
10 mg (1 tablet) once daily.
A 5 mg starting dose (half of the tablet) may be proposed if this leads to satisfactory control of the symptoms.
- **Children aged from 2 to 6 years:**
2.5 mg twice daily.
- **Children aged from 6 to 12 years:**
5 mg (half of the tablet) twice daily.
- **Children over 12 years of age:**
10 mg (1 tablet) once daily.
- **Elderly:**
Similar dose as adult, for elderly without renal impairment problem.
- **Patients with moderate severe renal impairment:**
In case there is no alternative route for the treatment, dosage is given according to renal function. Please consult doctor or pharmacist for correct dosing.

- When to use it

Take the medicine everyday before meal, as long as doctor prescribed you.

If you have kidney problems you should talk to your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking these tablets as a lower dose may be required.

- How long to use it

Take this medicine as long as doctor prescribed you.

- If you forget to take BioWell Atrizine

It is important to take your medicine every day as regular treatment works better.

Take one as soon as you remember, unless it is nearly time to take the next dose. Never take two doses together. If your symptoms persist, see your doctor.

- If you use too much (overdose)

Contact your doctor or casualty department. Do not drive if you have taken too many tablets.

While you are using BioWell Atrizine

- Things you must do

Take the medicine everyday as your doctor prescribed.

- Things you must not do

Do not take more than the recommended dose.

- Things to be careful of

- Be careful when drinking alcohol while taking BioWell Atrizine, as it will decrease mental alertness.
- Do not drive or operate machinery if the tablets make you feel drowsy. At the recommended dose, BioWell Atrizine does not cause drowsiness in the majority of people.
- Talk to your doctor or pharmacist before taking these tablets if you have kidney problems as you may need to take a lower dose.
- If you are epileptic or at risk of convulsions (fits).
- Skin allergy or hives may occur when BioWell Atrizine treatment is stopped. Treatment with BioWell Atrizine may require to be restarted.
- If you are having an allergy skin test you need to wait 3 days after taking BioWell Atrizine.
- If you have an enlarged prostate. It may increase the risk of having difficulty passing water.
- Pregnancy and breastfeeding: Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking any medicine. Caution when taking BioWell Atrizine when you are lactating.
- Driving and using machines: caution should be exercised when driving a car or operating potentially dangerous machinery.

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Side effects

Like all medicines, BioWell Atrizine can have side effects, but not everybody gets them.

BioWell Atrizine at recommended dosage has minor side effects as follows:

- Fatigue
- Dizziness
- Headache

Rare cases of problems in urinating, sight problem and dry mouth could happen when taking BioWell Atrizine.

The following side effects may occur:

Rare:

- Aggression
- Confusion
- Depression
- Hallucination
- Insomnia (difficulty in sleeping)
- Convulsion
- Tachycardia (increase heart rate)
- Disturbance in liver function
- Urticaria

Very rare:

- Thrombocytopenia (low platelet count)
- Tic
- Dysgeusia (distortion in sense of taste)
- Faint
- Tremor
- Dystonia and dyskinesia (movement disorder)
- Sight problem
- Blurred vision
- Angioneurotic oedema
- Fixed drug eruption
- Dysuria and enuresis (difficulty in urinating)

Not known and uncommon frequency:

- Increased appetite
- Agitation
- Suicidal ideation
- Nightmare
- Paraesthesia (abnormal sensation)
- Amnesia
- Memory impairment
- Vertigo
- Diarrhea

- Hepatitis
- Pruritus and rash
- Acute generalized exanthematous pustulosis (sudden skin eruption)
- Arthralgia (joint pain)
- Urinary retention

You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to the National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by visiting the website nptra.gov.my [Consumers → Reporting Side Effects to Medicines (ConSERF) or Vaccines (AEFI)].

Storage and Disposal of BioWell Atrizine

- Storage

Keep out of reach of children.

Store below 30°C. Protect from direct sunlight and moisture.

- 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

Oblong, white to off-white film-coated tablet, bevel edged, shallow convex and scored on one face. This tablet can be broken into two.

This product is packed in a box with 10 blisters, where each blister has 10 tablets.

- Ingredients

- Active ingredients

Each tablet contains 10 mg of Cetirizine Hydrochloride.

- Inactive ingredients

- Magnesium Stearate
- Colloidal Silicon Dioxide
- Lactose Monohydrate
- Microcrystalline Cellulose
- Crospovidone
- Hydroxypropyl Methylcellulose E-5
- Hydroxypropyl Methylcellulose E-15

- Talc
- Titanium Dioxide
- Propylene Glycol

- MAL Number:

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