Clopido Tablet 75mg

Clopidogrel 75mg (as Clopidogrel bisulphate)

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What Clopido Tablet 75mg is used for

Clopido is indicated for prevention of thrombotic (blood clotting) incidents in:

- Person with history of heart attack, stroke, or peripheral arterial disease (leg pain on walking or at rest).
- Person suffering a severe type of chest pain known as 'unstable angina' or 'myocardial infarction' (heart attack), in combination with acetylsalicylic acid (a substance present in many medicines used to relieve pain and lower fever as well as to prevent blood clotting).

How Clopido Tablet 75mg works

Clopido contains Clopidogrel and belongs to a group of medicines called antiplatelet medicinal products. Platelets are very small structures in the blood which clump together during blood clotting. By preventing this clumping, antiplatelet medicinal products reduce the chances of blood clots forming (a process called thrombosis).

Before you use Clopido Tablet 75mg

When you must not use it

Do not use Clopido:

- If you are allergic (hypersensitive) to Clopido or any of the other ingredients of this medicine;
- If you have a medical condition that is currently causing bleeding such as a stomach ulcer or bleeding within the brain;
- If you suffer from severe liver disease.

<u>Pregnancy and lactation</u>

- Do not take Clopido if you are pregnant, trying to get pregnant or think you may be pregnant. If you get pregnant while taking Clopido, stop taking it immediately and contact your doctor.
- Do not take Clopido if you are breastfeeding. Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking any medicine.

Before you start to use it

You should tell your doctor if:

- You have a risk of bleeding such as:
  - A medical condition that puts you at risk of internal bleeding (such as stomach ulcer).
  - A blood disorder that makes you prone to internal bleeding (bleeding inside any tissues, organs or joints of your body).
  - A recent serious injury.
  - A recent surgery (including dental).
  - A planned surgery (including dental).
- You have kidney or liver disease.

Taking other medicines

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

Some medicines and Clopido may interfere with each other. These include:

- Warfarin (blood thinning medicine)
- Glycoprotein IIb/IIIa inhibitors (antiplatelet medicine)
- Acetylsalicylic acid (ASA) (medicine for pain and fever)
- Heparin, thrombolytics (medicines to dissolve blood clots)
- Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) (medicine for pain and fever)
- Phenytoin (anti-epileptic medicine)
- Tolbutamide (medicine for type 2 diabetes)

How to use Clopido Tablet 75mg

How much to use

- The usual dose of Clopido is one 75mg tablet daily.
- A starting dose for chest pain and heart attack is 300mg and then continued at 75mg once a day.

When to use it

Continue taking Clopido for as long as your doctor recommends.
To be taken orally with or without food, and at the same time each day.

How long to use it

Use as directed by your doctor or pharmacist.

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.

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If you use too much (overdose)
Contact your doctor or the nearest hospital Emergency Department because of the increased risk of bleeding.

While you are using it
Things you must do
- Take your medicine exactly as your doctor has told you.
- Tell all doctors, dentists and pharmacists who are treating you that you are taking Clopido.
- Tell your doctor immediately if you become pregnant while taking this medication.
- Tell your doctor immediately if you are injured while taking Clopido.
- Clopido may increase the risk of bleeding during an operation or dental work. Therefore, treatment may need to be stopped before surgery.

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 Clopido to anyone else, even if they have the same symptoms or condition as you.

Things to be careful of
Driving and using machines
Your ability to drive or operate complicated machinery should not be affected.

Side effects
Like all medicines, clopidogrel can cause side effects, although not everyone gets them.

Common side effects include:
- Bleeding (may occur as bleeding in the stomach or bowels)
- Haematoma (unusual bleeding or bruising under the skin)
- Diarrhoea, abdominal pain, indigestion
- Bruising

This is not the complete list of possible side effects. Please refer to your doctor or pharmacist for more details or if you encounter any side effect not listed here.

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

Storage and Disposal of Clopido Tablet 75mg
Storage
Keep out of the reach and sight of children.
Store below 30°C.

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
Clopido Tablet 75mg comes in the form of film-coated tablets. The tablets are pink, round and biconvex.
Each pack contains 28 tablets in polyamide/aluminium/PVC-aluminium blisters.

Ingredients
The active substance is clopidogrel. Each tablet contains 75 mg of clopidogrel (as hydrogen sulphate).

The other ingredients are:
Tablet Core: Isomalt (E953), Hydroxypropylcellulose, Low substituted hydroxypropylcellulose and Sucrose fatty acid ester.
Tablet Coating: Hypromellose (E464), Titanium dioxide (E171), Macrogol 400 and Red iron oxide (E172).

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