

ULCERAN TABLET 40MG

Famotidine (40mg)

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What Ulceran is used for

Ulceran is used for:

- healing ulcers in your stomach (gastric ulcer) or the first part of your small intestine (duodenal ulcer) and to give you relief from symptoms. Famotidine may also be used to lower the chance that your duodenal ulcer will come back
- 'Zollinger-Ellison syndrome' where your stomach produces too much acid.
- other conditions where reduction of gastric acid is indicated: bleeding from upper gastrointestinal tract

How Ulceran works

ULCERAN contains a medicine called famotidine. This belongs to a group of medicines called 'H₂-blockers'. Famotidine works by lowering the amount of acid you produce in your stomach.

Before you use Ulceran

- When you must not use it

Do not take Ulceran if you:

- are allergic reaction to famotidine or any of the other ingredients of this medicine.
- have ever had an allergic reaction to a similar medicine – other H₂-receptor antagonists (medicine which controls the production of excess stomach acid).

Pregnancy and breast-feeding

If you are pregnant or breast-feeding, think you may be pregnant or are planning to have a baby, ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking this medicine.

Famotidine is not recommended for use in pregnancy.

Famotidine is secreted in breast milk. If you are breast feeding, you should either stop breast feeding or stop taking Ulceran.

- Before you start to use it

Before taking Ulceran, talk to your doctor or pharmacist before taking Ulceran if:

- You are an elderly.
- Your doctor will plan a few tests to exclude stomach cancer before starting Ulceran.
- You have impaired renal function.

- Taking other medicines

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking, have recently taken or might take any other medicines.

How to use Ulceran

- How much to use

Swallow whole tablet with water. The recommended doses for adults are stated as below:

For an ulcer

- Treatment: 1 tablet at night, for 4 to 8 weeks. This may change depending on how you respond to the treatment.
 - Prevention: half a tablet at night.
- For 'Zollinger-Ellison Syndrome'**
- Half a tablet every six hours.
 - Some individuals may need higher doses for this condition.

Use in children

It is not recommended.

Kidney impairment

Dose reduction is recommended.

- When to use it

Always take Ulceran exactly as your doctor has instructed you. You should check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are unsure. Always read the printed information leaflet, if possible, before beginning treatment.

- How long to use it

You should keep taking the tablets for the duration as your doctor has asked, even though you may feel better. It is important that you do not stop taking the tablets without talking to your doctor.

- If you forget to use it

If you do forget to take a dose, leave out the missed dose and take the next dose on time. Do not take a double dose to make up for a forgotten dose.

- If you use too much (overdose)

If you take more than the recommended number of tablets, contact your doctor or pharmacist straight away or go to the emergency department of your local hospital at once. Always take the container with you, if possible, even if it is empty.

While you are using it

- Things you must do

Tell your doctors, pharmacists or dentist that you are taking Ulceran.

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

- Things to be careful of

Ulceran contains lactose, which is a sugar.

If you have been told by your doctor that you have an intolerance to some sugars, contact your doctor before taking this medicinal product.

Driving and using machines:

As dizziness and fatigue may occur, make sure that you are not affected when you drive or operate machines after taking Ulceran.

Side effects

Like all medicines, Ulceran can sometimes cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

The following side effects may happen with this medicine:

- Dizziness may occur.
- Diarrhoea, headache and tiredness have been reported
- Other reported side effects include dry mouth, constipation, nausea, vomiting, skin rashes, abdominal discomfort, and loss of appetite

Do not worry about this list of possible effects; you may not have any of them. You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to the

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National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by visiting the website npra.gov.my [Consumers → Reporting Side Effects to Medicines (ConSERF) or Vaccines (AEFI)]

Storage and disposal of Ulceran

- Storage

Keep out of the reach and sight of children.

Store at a temperature not exceeding in 25 °C in a cool and dry place protected from light.

- Disposal

Do not use after the expiry date stated on the carton and blister.

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

Ulceran 40mg tablets are brown, round, convex, film-coated tablets with a diameter of 9.5mm.

PVC - aluminium blisters with a package insert in a carton are available.

Ingredients

- Active ingredient

Each Ulceran tablet contains contains 40mg of famotidine

- Inactive ingredients

Ulceran 40mg tablets also contain: Magnesium stearate, Colloidal anhydrous silica, Croscarmellose sodium, Microcrystalline cellulose, Lactose monohydrate, Opadry buff (OY-3606)

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