

Vusimide 10mg/ml Furosemide Oral Solution

Furosemide (10mg/ml)

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What Vusimide 10mg/ml Furosemide Oral Solution is used for

Vusimide 10mg/ml Furosemide Oral Solution is indicated for the treatment of oedema (a condition where there is too much water in your body) associated with heart failure, including pulmonary oedema (fluid accumulation in the lungs), and with kidney and liver problems. It is also used in the treatment of hypertension (high blood pressure), either alone or with other antihypertensives.

How Vusimide 10mg/ml Furosemide Oral Solution works

Furosemide is a potent diuretic with a rapid action. It works by blocking the absorption of sodium, chloride, and water from the filtered fluid in the kidney tubules, causing a profound increase in the output of urine.

Before you use Vusimide 10mg/ml Furosemide Oral Solution

- *When you must not take it*

Do not take this product if you are allergic (hypersensitivity) to Furosemide or any other ingredients in it.

Do not take this medicine if you have or have had any of the following medical conditions:

- kidney problems or have no production or passing of urine
- liver problems

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

- *Before you start to use it*

Tell your doctor if you have allergies to any other medicines, foods, preservatives or dyes.

Tell your doctor if you have or have had any of the following medical conditions:

- a imbalance in your electrolytes (the salts in your body) or body fluid
- enlarged prostate (prostatic hyperplasia)
- difficulty in passing urine
- chronic heart failure
- liver problem

Pregnancy and lactation

Please consult your doctor before start to use Vusimide 10mg/ml Furosemide Oral Solution if you are pregnant, plan to become pregnant, breast-feeding or intend to breast-feed. Your doctor will have weighed the risks of you taking Vusimide 10mg/ml Furosemide Oral Solution against the benefits they expect it will have for you.

- *Taking other medicines*

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

Some medicines when taken with Vusimide 10mg/ml Furosemide Oral Solution may interfere with each other. These include:

- Antibacterials such as Cefalotin
- Phenytoin (used to prevent and treat seizures)
- Astemizole (used to treat allergies), Terfenadine (used to treat allergies), Halofantrine (used to treat malaria), Pimozide (used to treat severe muscle tics and speech tics), and Sotalol (used to treat abnormal heart rhythms)
- Corticosteroids (used to reduce inflammation), NSAIDs (used to reduce inflammation), or

Carbenoxolone (used to treat ulceration)

- Metolazone (used to treat hypertension)
- Probenecid (used to treat high levels of uric acid in the blood)

This is not a complete list of medications to be careful with, please ask your doctor or pharmacist for further information.

How to take Vusimide 10mg/ml Furosemide Oral Solution

- *How much to take*

Follow all directions given to you by your doctor and pharmacist carefully. They may differ from the information contained in this leaflet. If you do not understand the instructions on the label, ask your doctor or pharmacist for help.

For the treatment of oedema:

Adults: 40mg once daily. Adjusted as necessary accordingly to response. Mild case may respond to 20mg daily or 40mg on alternate day. Some patients may need doses of 80mg or more daily given as one or two doses daily, or intermittently. Children: The usual oral dose is 1 to 3mg/kg daily up to a maximum of 40mg daily.

For the treatment of hypertension:

Adults: 40 to 80mg once daily. Adjusted accordingly to response.

- *When to take it*

You should follow the dosing regimen recommended by your doctor or pharmacist.

- *How long to take it*

Continue taking Vusimide 10mg/ml Furosemide Oral Solution for as long as your doctor recommends.

- *If you forget to take it*

If you forget to take Vusimide 10mg/ml Furosemide Oral Solution, take it as soon as you remember. Never double up on the next dose to make up for the one missed.

- If you take 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 signs of discomfort or poisoning. You may need urgent medical attention. If you take more medicine than your doctor has told you to, you might experience dehydration, blood volume reduction, low blood pressure, electrolyte imbalance, deficiency of potassium in the bloodstream, and low level of the chloride ion in the blood.

While you are using Vusimide 10mg/ml Furosemide Oral Solution

- Things you must do

Keep to the recommended dose. Please consult your doctor or pharmacist if symptoms persist or worsen.

- Things you must not do

Do not take Vusimide 10mg/ml Furosemide Oral Solution to treat any other conditions unless your doctor or pharmacist tells you so.

Do not give your medicines 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 Vusimide 10mg/ml Furosemide Oral Solution affects you.

Side Effects

The most common side effects is fluid and electrolyte imbalance including hyponatraemia (low level of sodium in your blood), hypokalaemia (low level of potassium in your blood) and hypochloraemic alkalosis (low level of chloride in your blood). Hypovolaemia (low blood volume) and dehydration may occur, especially in the elderly.

Furosemide may cause hyperuricaemia (high blood concentrations of uric acid) and precipitate gout in some patients.

The signs that you are too low in body salts include: dry mouth, thirst, muscle weakness, passing less urine than normal, drowsiness, restlessness and a fast or irregular heartbeat.

If you experience these symptoms

contact your doctor immediately.

This is not a complete list of all possible side effects. Others may occur in some people and there may be some side effects not yet known.

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.gov.my [Consumers→ Reporting Side Effects to Medicines (ConSERF) or Vaccines (AEFI)].

Storage and Disposal of Vusimide 10mg/ml Furosemide Oral Solution

- Storage

- Store below 30°C.
- Protect from light.
- Keep cap tightly closed.
- Keep out of reach of children.

- Disposal

Do not take this after the expiry date. An expiry date is printed on the label and box of the medicine.

Discard opened bottle after 90 days. Medicine should not be disposed of via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to dispose of medicines no longer required.

Product Description

- How it looks like

Orange flavoured with orange coloured clear solution. Sugar free and alcohol free.

- Ingredients

- Active ingredient

Each ml contains Furosemide 10mg.

- Inactive ingredients

Potassium Carbonate, Sorbitol Solution 70%, Glycerine, Propylene Glycol, Sucralose, Sunset Yellow, Orange Flavour.

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