

# STRIPTAN TABLETS

Sumatriptan Succinate (50 mg)

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## What Striptan tablets are used for

Sriptan tablets contain Sumatriptan succinate as the active drug.

Sumatriptan belongs to a group of medicines called the triptans.

You should take Striptan tablets only if you have a prescription.

They are used to relieve your migraine. They are not used to prevent attacks or reduce the number of attacks you have.

Use Striptan tablets only to treat an actual migraine attack. You must not use Striptan tablets to prevent a migraine attack.

## How Striptan tablets work

Migraine symptoms may be caused by the temporary widening of the blood vessels in the head. Sumatriptan is believed to reduce the widening of the blood vessels. This in turn helps to relieve the headache and other associated symptoms of migraine attack, such as feeling of being sick (nausea and

vomiting) and sensitivity to light and sound.

Sumatriptan works only when a migraine attack has started. It will not stop you from getting an attack.

## Before you use Striptan tablets

- When you must not use it

### Do not take Striptan tablet

- If you are allergic (hypersensitive) to Sumatriptan or any of the other ingredients of Sumatriptan (listed in "Product description").
- If you have a heart problem such as narrowing of the arteries (ischemic heart disease) or chest pains (angina), or have already had a heart attack.
- If you have circulation problems in your legs that cause cramp-like pains when you walk (peripheral vascular disease).
- If you have had a stroke or a mini-stroke (also called a transient ischaemic attack or TIA).
- If you have high blood pressure. You may be able to use Striptan tablets if your high blood pressure is mild and is being treated.
- If you have serious liver disease.

If you have taken:

Monoamine oxidase inhibitors (MAOIs), a type of medicine used for depression.

Ergotamine and derivatives of ergotamine, medicines for migraine.

Or if you have taken these medicines in the last 2 weeks.

If any of these apply to you: Tell your doctor, and don't take Striptan tablets.

## Pregnancy and Lactation

Please consult your doctor before start to use Striptan tablet 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 Striptan tablet against the benefits they expect it will have for you.

- Before you start to take it

## Take special care with Striptan tablets

Your doctor needs to know certain information before you take Striptan tablets:

If you have any extra risk factors:

- If you are a man aged over 40, or
- If you are a woman who has been through the menopause.

In very rare cases, people have developed serious heart conditions after using Sumatriptan, even though they had no signs of heart disease before. If any of the points above applies to you it could mean you have a greater risk of developing heart disease. Tell your doctor so that your heart function can be checked before Striptan tablets is prescribed for you.

If you have a history of fits (seizures). Or if you have other conditions which might make it more likely that you'll have a fit for example, a head injury or alcoholism.

If you have liver or kidney disease. Tell your doctor so that you can be supervised more closely.

If you are allergic to antibiotics called sulphonamides. If so, you may also be allergic to sumatriptan. If you know you are allergic to an antibiotic but you are not sure whether it is a sulphonamide: Tell your doctor or pharmacist before using Striptan tablets.

If you are taking anti-depressants called SSRIs (selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors) or SNRIs (serotonin norepinephrine reuptake inhibitors). Tell your doctor or pharmacist before you use Striptan tablets.

Also see "Taking other medicines" below.

- Taking other medicines

Tell your doctor if you are taking any other medicines or have recently taken any. This includes any herbal products or medicines you have bought without a prescription.

Some medicines must not be taken with Striptan tablets and others may cause adverse effects if they are taken with sumatriptan.

You must tell your doctor if you are taking:

- Ergotamine or similar medicines: stop taking these medicines at least 24 hrs before taking Sumatriptan. Don't take any medicines which contain ergotamine or similar compounds for at least 6 hrs after using Striptan tablets.
- Other triptans/5-HT<sub>1</sub> receptor agonists: stop taking these drugs at least 24 hrs before using Striptan tablets. Don't

use such medicines at least 24 hrs after taking Striptan tablets.

- SSRIs (selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors) and SNRIs (serotonin and norepinephrine reuptake inhibitors) used to treat depression.
- MAOIs (monoamine oxidase inhibitors) used to treat depression. Don't use Striptan tablets if you have taken these in the last 2 weeks.
- St John's Wort (Hypericum perforatum). Taking herbal remedies that contain St John's Wort while you are taking Striptan tablets may make side effects more likely.

*Note:* This document does not contain all possible interactions. Therefore, before using this product, tell your doctor or pharmacist of all the products you use.

Keep a list of all your medications with you, and share the list with your doctor and pharmacist.

**How to use Striptan tablets**

- How much to use

Always take Striptan tablets exactly as your doctor has told you. If you are not sure, check with your doctor or pharmacist.

**Adults**

The usual dose is Sumatriptan 50 mg (i.e., one Striptan 50 tablet) in the event of migraine attack. Some patients may need to take a dose of Sumatriptan 100 mg (one Striptan 100 tablet or two Striptan 50 tablets).

**Children and adolescents (under 18 years of age)**

Striptan tablets are not recommended in children and

adolescents younger than 12 years.

**Elderly (patients above 65 years of age)**

Striptan tablets are not recommended in this age group.

**Patients with liver impairment**

Your doctor may prescribe you with a lower dose of Striptan tablet.

- When to use it

Always take Striptan tablets as soon as possible after the onset of migraine attack.

The tablets should be swallowed whole with water and should not be broken or crushed.

- How long to use it

If, after the first dose, your symptoms are reduced, but then return, you may take a second dose, provided you wait at least 2 hours between the doses.

You must not take more than 300 mg of Sumatriptan orally in any 24 hour period.

- If you forget to take it

Do not take a double dose to make up for a forgotten dose.

- If you take too much (overdose)

If you (or someone else) take(s) too much of Striptan tablets, contact your nearest doctor or pharmacist immediately.

**While you are using Striptan tablets**

- Things you must do

Take your medicine exactly as your doctor has told you.

If you become pregnant while taking Striptan tablets tell your doctor.

Tell all doctors, dentists, and pharmacists that you are taking Striptan tablets.

Visit your doctor regularly so that they can check on your progress.

- Things you must not do

Do not take Striptan tablets for any other complaints/headache unless your doctor tells you to.

Do not change your dose of Striptan tablets without first talking to your healthcare provider.

Do not give Striptan tablets to anyone else, if they have the same symptoms or conditions as you.

- Things to be careful of

**Driving and using machines**

Either the symptoms of migraine or your medicine may make you drowsy. If you are affected don't drive or operate machinery.

**Pregnancy and breast feeding**

If you are pregnant or could be pregnant, talk to your doctor before you use Sumatriptan.

Your doctor will discuss with you whether or not you should use Sumatriptan while you are pregnant.

Don't breast-feed your baby for 12 hours after taking Sumatriptan.

**If you use Striptan tablets frequently**

Using Sumatriptan too often may make your headaches worse. Tell your doctor if this applies to you. He or she may

recommend you stop using Sumatriptan.

**If you feel pain or tightness in your chest after you use Striptan tablets**

These effects may be intense but they usually pass quickly.

If they don't pass quickly, or they become severe, get medical help immediately.

**Side effects**

Like all medicines, Striptan tablets can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

Visit your doctor or pharmacist immediately if you experience any side effects after taking this medicine.

The following side effects may happen with this medicine:

**Allergic reactions**

**Stop taking STRIPTAN tablets and contact your doctor immediately if you develop any of the following symptoms of an allergic reaction:**

- Skin rashes, itching, or lumps under your skin (hives)
- Swelling of your lips, eyes and face.

**Common side effects**

Heaviness, pressure, tightness or pain in the chest, throat or other parts of the body, or feeling of unusual sensations, including numbness, tingling and warmth or cold. These effects may be intense but generally pass quickly. If these effects continue or become severe (especially chest pain), contact doctor immediately.

**Other common side effects include:**

- Feeling sick (nausea) or throwing up (vomiting)
- Tiredness or drowsiness.
- Dizziness, feeling weak, or getting hot flushes.
- Temporary increase in blood pressure.
- Shortness of breath.
- Aching muscle.

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](http://npra.gov.my) [*Consumers* □ *Reporting Side Effects to Medicines (CONSERF) or Vaccines (AEFI)*].

**Storage and disposal of Striptan tablets**

- Storage

SRIPTAN tablets should be kept in a safe place where children cannot reach them.

Do not store above 30 °C.

Do not use the tablets after the expiry date printed on the packaging.

- Disposal

If your doctor tells you to stop taking Striptan tablets or the tablets have passed their expiry date, ask your pharmacist what to do with any tablets left over.

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

**Sumatriptan 50 mg Tablet:**

Pink colored, capsule shaped biconvex, film coated tablet plain on both sides.

- Ingredients

- Active Ingredient  
Sumatriptan Succinate

- Inactive Ingredients  
Lactose monohydrate  
Hypromellose (E5)  
Microcrystalline cellulose pH 102  
Croscarmellose sodium  
Magnesium stearate

**Tablet coating**

Sumatriptan 50 mg Tablet:  
Opadry 03K54036 Pink  
Purified water

Sumatriptan 100 mg Tablet:  
Opadry 03A58900 White  
Purified water

- MAL Number:

**Sumatriptan 50 mg Tablet:**  
MAL09082812AZ

**Manufacturer:**

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