

Important Information. Please read carefully.

AntaminTM

Syrup

Composition

Each 5ml contains:

Chlorpheniramine Maleate 4mg

Methyl Hydroxybenzoate 0.12% w/v and Propyl Hydroxybenzoate 0.03% w/v as preservatives.

Properties

Antamin preparations contain chlorpheniramine maleate, an antihistamine which has antagonistic action against histamine. It is readily absorbed with action starting 15 to 30 minutes after ingestion.

Indications

Antamin is useful for the symptomatic treatment of allergic conditions such as seasonal rhinitis (hay fever), acute urticaria, angioedema, food allergies, insect bites, pruritus, atopic and contact dermatitis.

Dosage and Administration

To be administered orally.

Adults: 4mg three to four times daily;

Children 6 to 12 years : 2 to 4mg three or four times daily;

1 to 5 years : 1 to 2mg three times daily;

Up to 1 year : 1mg twice daily.

Contraindications

In patients with known hypersensitivity to chlorpheniramine and those have had monoamine oxidase inhibitor therapy within the previous fourteen days.

Precautions

As drowsiness may occur, patients taking this medication should be advised not to drive or operate machinery and to avoid alcoholic drinks. **Antamin** should be used with care in patients with glaucoma, prostatic hypertrophy, epilepsy, hepatic disease, bronchitis, bronchiectasis, thyrotoxicosis, raised intra-ocular pressure, severe hypertension or cardiovascular disease and bronchial asthma. Children and the elderly are more likely to experience the neurological anticholinergic effects. Safe use during pregnancy has not been established. It should only be used during pregnancy when clearly needed and when potential benefit outweighs the potential unknown risks to the fetus. Use during the third trimester may result in reaction in the newborn or premature neonates. Small amount of antihistamines is excreted in the breast milk. Use by nursing mothers is not recommended because of the risks of adverse effects in the infant. Antihistamines may inhibit lactation.

Side Effects

Although Chlorpheniramine is less sedating compared with some other antihistamines, drowsiness may occur in susceptible patients. Other side effects that may occur include dizziness, headaches, insomnia, nervousness, anticholinergic effects such as dry mouth, throat and respiratory passages, blurred vision and gastrointestinal disturbances.

Drug Interactions

Avoid concurrent use with tranquillisers and anticholinergic drugs (e.g. benzhexol) as their effects and side effects may be potentiated. Chlorpheniramine has an antagonistic action towards betahistine.

Overdosage

Hospital admission is strongly advised for patients showing symptoms of overdosage. Symptoms include both central depressant and stimulant effects such as severe drowsiness and coma followed by convulsions and postictal depression. In small children the dominant effect is excitation; other effects include hallucinations, incoordination, convulsions, fixed dilated pupils, flushed face and fever.

Treatment is along general symptomatic and supportive lines. Aspiration and gastric lavage for overdosage. Following these measures, activated charcoal and cathartics may be administered to minimise absorption. Haemoperfusion may be used in severe cases. Convulsions may be controlled by diazepam intra-venously. Mechanical ventilation and fluid replacement may also be required.

Presentation

Yellow, vanilla flavoured syrup in packs of 60ml.

Shelf-life

The expiry date is indicated on the packaging.

Storage

Store below 30°C. Protect from light.
Keep container well closed.

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN JAUHI DARI KANAK-KANAK

For further information, please consult your pharmacist or physician.

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