

KETOTIFEN SYRUP

Ketotifen Fumarate (1mg/5ml)

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What Ketotifen Syrup is used for

Ketotifen Syrup is indicated for the prevention of asthma and has also been given in the treatment of allergic conditions such as rhinitis and conjunctivitis.

How Ketotifen Syrup works

Ketotifen is an antihistamine with anti-allergy properties. Histamine is a chemical released in the body during an allergic condition. Ketotifen Syrup works by blocking the production and effects of histamine in your body.

Before you use Ketotifen Syrup

- When you must not use it
 - If you are allergic to ketotifen, other antihistamines or other ingredients of the syrup.
 - If you are pregnant or breastfeeding. Ketotifen is secreted in breast-milk.
 - If you have acute attacks of asthma as it may exacerbate the condition.
- Before you start to use it

You must tell your doctor if you have allergies to any medicine which you have taken previously to treat your current condition.
- Taking other medicines

The following medicine may interact with Ketotifen Syrup:

 - Sedatives
 - Hypnotics
 - Antihistamines
 - Alcohol
 - Narcotic pain killer
 - Certain antibiotics

- Oral antidiabetics

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.

Previous anti-asthmatic treatment should be continued for a minimum of two weeks after initiation of ketotifen treatment.

If you are going for skin test, you may need to stop ketotifen for several days before the test as it may suppress positive skin test results. Consult doctor before the skin test.

How to use Ketotifen Syrup

To be taken orally.

- How much to use

Usual adult dose: 2.5ml to 5ml

Usual dose for children above 2 years old: 2.5ml

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.

- When to use it

Use two times a day, with food or as directed by your doctor or pharmacist.
- How long to use it

Use Ketotifen Syrup for the duration that the doctor recommends.
- 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.

- If you use too much (overdose)

Overdose may be fatal especially in children in whom the main symptoms are sleeping difficulty, nervousness, increase heart rate, tremors and convulsions. In adults, the usual symptoms are drowsiness, coma and convulsions.

Contact your doctor immediately or go to the Emergency Department of your nearest hospital, if you think you or anyone else may have used too much of this medicine. Do this even if there are no signs of discomfort or poisoning. You may need urgent medical attention.

While you are using it

- Things you must do

Tell all the doctors, dentists and pharmacists treating you that you are using Ketotifen Syrup.

Tell your doctor immediately if you become pregnant while using this medication.

Contact your doctor if your symptoms worsen or they do not improve.

- Things you must not do

Do not stop using the medicine unless advised by your doctor.
- Do not use any new medicines without consulting your doctor or pharmacist.
- Do not give Ketotifen Syrup to anyone else, even if they have the same symptoms or condition as you.
- Things to be careful of

Avoid alcoholic beverages.

Driving and using machines

This medicine may affect your ability to drive or use machines. If the syrup makes you feel sick, dizzy, drowsy or tired, or gives you a headache, do not drive or use machines and contact your doctor immediately.

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Side effects

Like all medicines, Ketotifen Syrup can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

Side effects include sedation, tiredness, weight gain, dry mouth, dizziness, nausea and headache.

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

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

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Storage and Disposal of Ketotifen Syrup

- Storage

Shake well before use.
Store below 25°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

Colourless, transparent liquid with strawberry flavour.

- Ingredients

- Active ingredient
Ketotifen (as Fumarate)

- Inactive ingredients
Propyl Hydroxybenzoate
Methyl Hydroxybenzoate
Ethyl Maltol
Propylene Glycol
Strawberry Flavour
Citric Acid
Syrup Simplex
Sodium Citrate
Deionised Water