

Beclomethasone Dipropionate BP & Formoterol Fumarate Dihydrate BP

Composition

Ascon-F 100: Each actuation delivers Beclomethasone Dipropionate BP 100 µg and Formoterol Fumarate Dihydrate BP 6 µg.

Ascon-F 200: Each actuation delivers Beclomethasone Dipropionate BP 200 µg and Formoterol Fumarate Dihydrate BP 6 µg.

Pharmacology

Ascon-F HFA Inhaler is a combination of Beclomethasone Dipropionate BP and Formoterol Fumarate Dihydrate BP. It is a hydrofluoroalkane (HFA) based environment friendly inhaler. Because it does not contain chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) as propellant which is one of the main reasons of ozone layer depletion. Beclomethasone Dipropionate is a synthetic halogenated corticosteroid with potent anti-inflammatory activity. It given by inhalation has a potent glucocorticoid anti-inflammatory action within the lungs without the side effects observed when steroids are administered systemically. Formoterol Fumarate Dihydrate is a long acting selective β_2 adrenergic agonist with a rapid onset of action. Inhaled Formoterol acts in the lung as a bronchodilator. When used as an inhaler, the medication goes directly into the lungs and very little finds its way into the rest of the body.

Indications

Ascon-F HFA Inhaler is indicated for the treatment of asthma and COPD.

Asthma: Ascon-F HFA Inhaler is indicated in the regular treatment of asthma where use of a combination of inhaled corticosteroid and long-acting β_2 adrenergic agonist is appropriate.

COPD: Ascon-F HFA Inhaler is indicated for the symptomatic treatment of severe COPD and a history of repeated exacerbations despite regular therapy with long acting bronchodilators.

Dosage and Administration

Route of administration: Inhalation Aerosol

Asthma

Dosage should be adjusted according to disease severity. When control has been achieved, the dose should be titrated to the lowest effective dose.

A. Maintenance Therapy:

Adults & Adolescents (18 years & above): One or two inhalations twice daily. The maximum daily dose is 4 inhalations.

B. Maintenance and reliever therapy

Patients take a daily maintenance dose of Ascon-F HFA Inhaler as needed in response to symptoms. Patients should be advised to always have Ascon-F HFA Inhaler available for rescue use.

Adults & Adolescents (18 years & above): One inhalation twice daily. If symptoms persist after a few minutes, an additional inhalation should be taken. The maximum daily dose is 8 inhalations.

COPD

2 Inhalations twice daily.

OR AS DIRECTED BY THE PHYSICIAN.

Contraindications

Beclomethasone Dipropionate BP and Formoterol Fumarate Dihydrate BP HFA Inhaler is contraindicated in patients with hypersensitivity to any of the constituents.

Warning & Precautions

Treatment with Beclomethasone and Formoterol combination should not be initiated to treat a severe exacerbation or if patients have significantly worsening or acutely deteriorating asthma.

Side Effects

Common side effects: Adverse events which have been associated with Beclomethasone and Formoterol are hypokalemia, headache, tremor, palpitations, cough, muscle spasms and prolongation of QTs interval.

Rear Side Effects: Rash, Urticaria pruritus, erythema and oedema of the eyes, face, lips & throat may also occur.

Use in Pregnancy & Lactation

Administration of Ascon-F HFA Inhaler in pregnant women and lactating mother should only be considered if the expected benefit to the mother is greater than any possible risk to the fetus.

Drug Interaction

With medicine: Concomitant treatment with beta-adrenergic drugs, quinidine, disopyramide, procainamides, phenothiazines, antihistamines, MAO inhibitors, tricyclic antidepressants should be avoided.

With food & others: No data is found on interaction with food of this medicine.

Supply

Ascon-F 100: Each canister contains 120 metered doses, each metered dose contains Beclomethasone Dipropionate BP 100 µg and Formoterol Fumarate Dihydrate BP 6 µg.

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Pharmaceutical Precautions

- Do not puncture, break or incinerate the pressurized canister even when apparently empty.
- Avoid storage in direct sunlight and heat.
- Store below 30° C temperature & dry place, protected from light.
- Keep away from children.
- Keep away from eyes.

*Further information is available on request



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