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## **Dicyclomine Hydrochloride and Paracetamol Tablets**

**Baralgan<sup>®</sup> NU**

### **COMPOSITION**

Each uncoated tablet contains:

Paracetamol IP..... 500mg

Dicyclomine Hydrochloride IP .....20 mg

### **THERAPEUTIC INDICATIONS**

Relief from spasmodic pain and discomfort due to biliary colic, intestinal colic, renal colic and spasmodic dysmenorrhea

### **DOSAGE AND METHOD OF ADMINISTRATION**

1 tablet upto four times a day.

This product is not to be used in children below 12 years of age

### **CONTRAINDICATIONS**

Baralgan<sup>®</sup> NU should not be administered to patients who have previously demonstrated hypersensitivity to dicyclomine, paracetamol, any other component of this product. It is contraindicated in severe hepatocellular insufficiency. Known idiosyncrasy to dicyclomine hydrochloride.

### **SPECIAL WARNINGS & PRECAUTIONS FOR USE**

#### *Dicyclomine hydrochloride*

Products containing dicyclomine hydrochloride should be used with caution in any patient with or suspected of having glaucoma or prostatic hypertrophy. Use with care in patients with hiatus hernia associated with reflux oesophagitis because anticholinergic drugs may aggravate the condition.

#### *Paracetamol*

Hepatotoxicity may occur with paracetamol even at therapeutic doses, after short treatment duration and in patients without pre-existing liver dysfunction (See Section “Adverse reactions”).

### **Severe cutaneous adverse reactions (SCARs):**

Life-threatening cutaneous reactions Stevens-Johnson syndrome (SJS), and Toxic epidermal necrolysis (TEN) have been reported with the use of Paracetamol. Patients should be advised of the signs and symptoms and monitored closely for skin reactions. If symptoms or signs of SJS and TEN (e.g. progressive skin rash often with blisters or mucosal lesions) occur, patients should stop immediately Baralgan<sup>®</sup> NU treatment and seek medical advice.

### **To avoid the risk of overdose:**

Check that paracetamol is absent from the composition of other medicinal products taken concomitantly.

## PRECAUTIONS

Caution is advised in patients with underlying sensitivity to aspirin and/or to non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs).

Paracetamol should be used upon medical advice in patients with:

- Mild-to-moderate hepatocellular insufficiency
- Severe renal insufficiency
- Chronic alcohol use including recent cessation of alcohol intake
- Low glutathione reserves
- Glucose-6-phosphate-dehydrogenase deficiency
- Gilbert's syndrome

## DRUG INTERACTIONS

*Dicyclomine hydrochloride*

None

*Paracetamol:*

The risk of paracetamol toxicity may be increased in patients receiving other potentially hepatotoxic drugs or drugs that induce liver microsomal enzymes, such as certain antiepileptics (such as phenobarbital, phenytoin, carbamazepine, topiramate), rifampicin and alcohol. The induced metabolism results in an elevated production of the hepatotoxic oxidative metabolite of paracetamol. Hepatotoxicity will occur if this metabolite exceeds the normal glutathione binding capacity.

Paracetamol may increase the risk of bleeding in patients taking warfarin and other antivitamin K. Patients taking paracetamol and antivitamin K should be monitored for appropriate coagulation and bleeding complications.

Co-administration of flucloxacillin with paracetamol may lead to metabolic acidosis, particularly in patients presenting risk factors of glutathione depletion, such as sepsis, malnutrition or chronic alcoholism.

Chelating resin can decrease the intestinal absorption of paracetamol and potentially decrease its efficacy if taken simultaneously. In general, there must be an interval of more than 2 hours between taking the resin and taking paracetamol, if possible.

The absorption rate of paracetamol may be increased by metoclopramide or domperidone.

## PREGNANCY

*Dicyclomine Hydrochloride:*

Epidemiological studies in pregnant women with products containing dicyclomine hydrochloride (at doses up to 40mg/day) have not shown that dicyclomine hydrochloride increases the risk of fetal abnormalities if administered during the first trimester of pregnancy. Reproduction studies have been performed in rats and rabbits at doses of up to 100 times the maximum recommended dose (based on 60mg per day for an adult person) and have revealed no evidence of impaired fertility or harm to the foetus due to dicyclomine hydrochloride. Dicyclomine hydrochloride should be used during pregnancy only if the benefit outweighs the risk.

*Paracetamol:*

A large amount of data on pregnant women indicates neither malformative, nor feto/neonatal toxicity. Paracetamol can be used during pregnancy if clinically needed however it should be used at the lowest effective dose for the shortest possible time and at the lowest possible frequency.

## **LACTATION**

Paracetamol is excreted in breast milk but not in a clinically significant amount. It is not known whether Dicyclomine hydrochloride is excreted in human milk. Caution should be exercised when Baralgan<sup>®</sup> NU is administered during breastfeeding.

## **ADVERSE REACTIONS**

### **Dicyclomine:**

#### *Metabolism and nutrition disorders:*

Not known: thirst

#### *Nervous system disorders:*

Not known: dizziness, headache, sedation

#### *Eye disorders:*

Not known: blurred vision

#### *Gastrointestinal disorders:*

Not known: constipation, dry mouth, nausea, vomiting

#### *Skin and subcutaneous tissue disorders:*

Not known: rash

#### *Renal and urinary disorders:*

Not known: dysuria

#### *General disorders and administration site conditions:*

Not known: fatigue, anorexia

### **Paracetamol:**

#### *Blood and lymphatic system disorders:*

Very rare: thrombocytopenia, neutropenia, leucopenia

Not known: agranulocytosis, hemolytic anemia in particular in patients with underlying glucose 6-phosphate-dehydrogenase deficiency

#### *Immune system disorders:*

Not known: Hypersensitivity such as anaphylactic shock, angioedema

#### *Respiratory, thoracic and mediastinal disorders:*

Not known: bronchospasm (see Section "Warnings")

#### *Skin and subcutaneous disorders:*

Very rare: erythema, urticaria, rash

Not known: Toxic epidermal necrolysis (TEN), Stevens-Johnson syndrome (SJS), acute generalized exanthematous pustulosis, fixed drug eruption (see section warnings).

#### *Hepatobiliary disorders:*

Not known: cytolytic hepatitis, which may lead to acute hepatic failure

#### *Metabolism and nutrition system disorders*

Not known: pyroglutamic acidosis, in patients with pre-disposing factors for glutathione depletion

## **OVERDOSAGE**

### **Paracetamol:**

Elderly persons, small children, patients with liver disorders, chronic alcohol consumption or chronic malnutrition, as well as patients concomitantly treated with enzyme-inducing drugs are at an increased risk of intoxication, including fatal outcome.

### **Signs and Symptoms**

#### ***Dicyclomine***

Symptoms of Dicyclomine hydrochloride overdose are headache, dizziness, nausea, dry mouth, difficulty in swallowing, dilated pupils and hot dry skin.

#### ***Paracetamol***

Nausea, vomiting, anorexia, pallor, abdominal pain, generally appear during the first 24 hours of overdose with paracetamol.

Overdosage with paracetamol may cause hepatic cytolysis which can lead to hepatocellular insufficiency, gastrointestinal bleeding, metabolic acidosis, encephalopathy, disseminated intravascular coagulation, coma and death. Increased levels of hepatic transaminases, lactate dehydrogenase and bilirubin with a reduction in prothrombin level can appear 12 to 48 hours after acute overdose. It can also lead to pancreatitis, acute renal failure and pancytopenia.

## **MANAGEMENT**

**Dicyclomine Hydrochloride:** Treatment may include emetics, gastric lavage and symptomatic therapy if indicated.

**Paracetamol:** Despite a lack of significant early symptoms, patients should be referred to hospital urgently for immediate medical attention.

Treatment involves gastric aspiration and lavage, preferably within 4 hours of ingestion.

Determinations of the plasma concentration of paracetamol are recommended.

Plasma concentration of paracetamol should be measured at 4 hours or later after ingestion (earlier concentrations are unreliable).

Where paracetamol intoxication is suspected, intravenous administration of SH group donors such as N-acetylcysteine within the first 10 hours after ingestion is indicated. Although N-acetylcysteine is most effective if initiated within this period, it can still offer some degree of protection if given as late as 48 hours after ingestion; in this case, it is taken for longer.

Further measures will depend on the severity, nature and course of clinical symptoms of paracetamol intoxication and should follow standard intensive care protocols.

## **EFFECT ON ABILITY TO DRIVE AND/ OR OPERATE MACHINERY**

None

**Presentation:** Strip of 10 tablets.

**Storage:** Store protected from light and moisture at a temperature not exceeding 30°. Keep out of reach of children.

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