

Carbizol[®]

Carbimazole 5 mg

Presentation

Carbizol[®] Tablet: Each film coated tablet contains 5 mg of Carbimazole.

Indication and usage

Carbimazole is indicated in the management of hyperthyroidism, thyrotoxicosis (including thyroid storm), and also for the preparation of patients for thyroidectomy.

Carbimazole can also be used in combination with radio-active ablative therapy.

Dosage and administration

10 mg to 60 mg daily according to the severity of the disorder. The dose should be gradually reduced to the smallest amount which will control the disease. Daily dosage should be divided.

Contraindications

Hypersensitivity to carbimazole or other thiourea antithyroid agents.

Precautions

Carbimazole should be given with the utmost caution, or not at all, if there is any degree of tracheal obstruction, as high dosages may produce thyroid enlargement and obstructive symptoms may become marked.

Pregnancy and lactation

Carbimazole may be given during pregnancy to a thyrotoxic patient, but the smallest effective dose should be used as overdosage adversely affects the foetus. Carbimazole crosses the placenta and is excreted into the breast milk. Carbimazole may, therefore, cause foetal or neonatal hypothyroidism and goitre.

Drug Interactions

Carbimazole may interact adversely with other medicines. Iodine or iodine excess may decrease the response to Carbimazole, requiring an increase in dosage or longer duration of therapy with antithyroid agents.

As thyroid and metabolic status of patient decreases toward normal, response to oral anticoagulants may decrease, however, if thioamide-induced hypoprothrombinemia occurs, anticoagulant effects may be enhanced. Adjustment of oral anticoagulant dosage on the basis of prothrombin time is recommended. Serum concentrations of digoxin and digitoxin have been reported to increase as the thyroid and metabolic status of patients taking antithyroid agents decreased, reduction in dosage of any digitalis glycoside may be necessary as patients become euthyroid.

Adverse reactions

Side-effects may include rash, pruritis, skin pigmentation, paraesthesias, urticaria, headache, arthralgia, and gastro-intestinal disturbances (including nausea, vomiting and gastric discomfort), and abnormal hair loss. Drug fever, a lupus-like syndrome, vasculitis and nephritis, and hepatic disorders, most commonly jaundice, and taste disturbances following carbimazole therapy have been reported.

Overdose

Overdose or accidental poisoning may result in hypothyroidism and goitre. If blood dyscrasias occur, the drug should be immediately withdrawn. Further treatment is symptomatic and supportive.

Pharmaceutical precautions

Store in a cool place below 25°C of temperature. Keep out of reach of children.

How supplied

Carbizol[®] Tablet: Each box contains 6x10 tablets in blister pack..

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