

Composition : Tamsulosin hydrochloride 0.4mg Capsule.

Indications : It is indicated for the treatment of symptomatic benign prostatic hyperplasia (BPH).

Dosage and administration : 1 (one) Prostam capsules once daily is recommended as the dose for the treatment of the signs and symptoms of BPH. It should be administered approximately one-half hour following the same meal each day. For those patients who fail to respond to the 0.4mg dose after two to four weeks of dosing, the dose of the capsule can be increased to 0.8mg once daily if the capsules administration is discontinued or interrupted for several days at either the 0.4mg or 0.8mg dose, therapy should be started again with the 0.4mg once daily dose. Or, as directed by the physician.

Contraindications : Tamsulosin hydrochloride is contraindicated in patients with hypersensitivity to it; history of orthostatic hypotension; severe hepatic insufficiency.

Side effects : The following adverse reactions have been reported during the use of tamsulosin : dizziness, abnormal ejaculation and; less frequently headache, asthenia, postural hypotension and palpitations.

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Precaution : The treatment of severely renal impaired patients (creatinine clearance is less than 10 ml/min) should be approached with caution as these patients have not been studied.

Drug interactions : Concurrent administration of other alpha1 adrenoceptor antagonists could lead to hypotensive effects. No interactions have been seen when tamsulosin was given concomitantly with either atenolol, enalapril or nifedipine. Concomitant cimetidine brings about a rise and frusemide a fall in plasma levels of tamsulosin, but as levels remain within the normal range posology need not be changed. No interactions at the level of hepatic metabolism have been seen during in vitro studies with liver microsomal fractions (representative of the cytochrome P450 linked drug metabolising enzyme system), involving amitriptyline, salbutamol, glibenclamide and finasteride. Diclofenac and warfarin, however, may increase the elimination rate of tamsulosin.

Packing : Prostam : 3 x 10's capsules in blister.