**Composition:** Each tablet contains Captopril USP 25mg.

Pharmacology: Captopril is a sulfhydrylcontaining analog of proline antihypertensive activity. Captopril competitively inhibits angiotensin converting enzyme (ACE), thereby decreasing levels of angiotensin II, increasing plasma renin activity, and decreasing aldosterone secretion. Approxiately 60-75% of an oral dose of captopril is repidly absorbed from the GI tract in fasting healthy individuals or hypertensive patients. More than 95% of a dose is excreted renally, both as unchanged (45-50%) drug and as metabolites.

Uses: Mild-to-moderate hyprtension: As an adjunct to thiazide therapy in patients who have not responded effectively to thiazide treatment alone.

**Severe hypertension :** Where standard therapy has failed.

Congestive heart failure: ACETOR is indicated for the treatment of congestive heart failure. The drug should be used together with diuretics and where appropriate, digitalis.

Dosage & administration: Adults: Mild-to-moderate hypertension: The initial dose is 12.5mg twice daily. The usual maintenance dose is 25mg twice daily which can be increased incrementally, at two to four week intervals, until a satisfactory response is achieved, to a maximum of 50mg twice daily. Severe hypertension: In severe hypertension the starting dose is 12.5mg b.d. The dosage may be increased incrementally to a maximum of 50mg t.d.s.

Heart failure: A starting dose of 6.25mg or 12.5mg may minimise a transient hypotensive effect. The usual maintenance dose is 25mg three times a day. The usual maximum dose is 150mg daily.

**ACETOR** must be taken 1 hour before meals to ensure maximum absorption.

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**Contraindications**: A history of previous hypersensitivity to captopril. **ACETOR** is contra-indicated in pregnancy and should not be used in women of child-bearing potential unless protected by effective contraception.

Precautions: Evaluation of the patient should include assessment of renal function before **ACETOR** therapy and at appropriate intervals thereafter. Patients with renal impairment should not normally be treated with **ACETOR**. **ACETOR** should not be used in patients with aortic stenosis or outflow tract obstruction.

**Side-effects**: Neutropenia, anaemia, proteinuria, hypotension, tachycardia, rashes, usually pruritic may occur. Gastric irritation and abdominal pain may occur.

Use in Pregnancy & Lactation: There are no available data in pregnant women to inform the drug-associated risk. Because of the potential for serious adverse reactions a decision should be made whether to discontinue nursing or to discontinue the drug.

Use in Child: Safety and effectiveness in pediatric patients have not been established.

Drug Interaction: Do not coadminister aliskiren with Captopril in patients with diabetes. Monitor renal function periodically.

Overdose: Correction of hypertension would be of primary concern.

**Storage**: Store below 30°C in a dry place. **Packing**: Each box contains 10 x 10's tablets in blister pack.

