**Indications and Clinical Use**

ENERGON is indicated for the symptomatic relief of MDD.

ENERGON is not indicated for use in children under the age of 18.

The short-term efficacy of ENERGON has been demonstrated in placebo-controlled trials of up to 8 weeks

The efficacy of ENERGON in maintaining an antidepressant response for up to 26 weeks, following response during 20 weeks of acute, open-label treatment, was demonstrated in a placebo-controlled trial.

**Contraindications**

* Concomitant use with monoamine oxidase inhibitors (MAOIs) or within the preceding 14 days.
* Hypersensitivity to venlafaxine hydrochloride

**Most Serious Warnings and Precautions**

**Behavioural and emotional changes, including self-harm:** SSRIs and other newer antidepressants may be associated with:

* Behavioural and emotional changes including and increased risk of suicidal ideation and behaviour
* Severe agitation-type adverse events coupled with self-harm or harm to others
* Suicidal ideation and behavior; rigorous monitoring

**Discontinuation symptoms:** should not be discontinued abruptly. Gradual dose reduction is recommended.

**Other Relevant Warnings and Precautions**

* Concomitant use with venlafaxine not recommended
* Allergic reactions such as rash, hives or a related allergic phenomenon
* Bone fracture risk with SSRI/SNRI
* Increases in blood pressure and heart rate (measurement prior to and regularly during treatment)
* Increases cholesterol and triglycerides (consider measurement during treatment)
* Hyponatremia or Syndrome of Inappropriate Antidiuretic Hormone (SIADH) with SSRI/SNRI
* Potential for GI obstruction
* Abnormal bleeding SSRI/SNRI
* Interstitial lung disease and eosinophilic pneumonia with venlafaxine
* Seizures
* Narrow angle glaucoma
* Mania/hypomania
* Serotonin syndrome or neuroleptic malignant syndrome-like reactions

**For More Information**

Please consult the product monograph at <http://www.pizzapizza.ca> for important information relating to adverse reactions, drug interactions and dosing information which have not been discussed in this piece.

The product monograph is also available by calling 1-800-967-1111.