

# Desodin®

Desloratadine  
Film coated tablet

## DESCRIPTION

Desodin® is a preparation of desloratadine. It is a metabolite of loratadine. Desloratadine is a long acting tricyclic histamine antagonist with selective H<sub>1</sub>-receptor antagonist activity. Desloratadine inhibits histamine release from human mast cells in vitro.

## INDICATIONS

Desodin® is indicated for the following conditions :

- Allergic rhinitis : For the relief of the nasal and non-nasal symptoms of allergic rhinitis (seasonal and perennial).
- Chronic idiopathic urticaria : For the symptomatic relief of pruritus, reduction in the number of hives and size of hives.

## DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

**Adult and adolescent over 12 years** : 5 mg once daily

**Child 6-11 years** : 2.5 mg daily

**Child 2-5 years** : 1.25 mg daily

In patients with liver or renal impairment, a starting dose of 5 mg at every alternative day is recommended.

## CONTRAINDICATION

Desloratadine is contraindicated in patients who are hypersensitive to any of its ingredients or to loratadine.

## USE IN PREGNANCY & LACTATION

**Pregnant women** : It is best to avoid the drug during pregnancy unless its use is mandatory.

**Lactating mother** : It is excreted in human breast milk. Therefore, it is not recommended for lactating mothers.

## **SIDE-EFFECTS**

Drowsiness, sedation, fatigue, headache, psychomotor impairment, urinary retention, dry mouth, blurred vision, gastro-intestinal disturbances, palpitations, arrhythmias, hypotension, hypersensitivity reactions (including bronchospasm, angioedema, anaphylaxis, rashes and photosensitivity reactions), extrapyramidal effects, dizziness, confusion, depression, sleep disturbances, tremor, convulsions, blood disorders and liver dysfunction.

## **DRUG INTERACTIONS**

Alcohol enhances the sedative effect of desloratadine.

## **PRECAUTIONS**

Antihistamine should be used with caution in prostatic hypertrophy, urinary retention, glaucoma and pyloroduodenal obstruction. It should be used with caution in hepatic disease and dose reduction may be necessary in renal impairment. Caution may be required in epilepsy and porphyria. Children and the elderly are more susceptible to side effects.

## **PHARMACEUTICAL PRECAUTIONS**

Store in a dry place, away from light. Keep out of reach of children.

## **PACKAGING**

**Desodin® tablet** : Box containing 5 strips of 10 tablets each. Each film coated tablet contains desloratadine B.P 5 mg.

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