

Napgin Plus

Naproxen BP & Esomeprazole USP

Composition

Napgin Plus tablet: Each film coated delayed release tablet contains Naproxen BP 500 mg and Esomeprazole Magnesium Trihydrate USP equivalent to Esomeprazole 20 mg.

Pharmacology

Naproxen is a NSAID with analgesic and antipyretic properties. The mechanism of action of Naproxen is like that of other NSAIDs, related to prostaglandin synthetase inhibition. Esomeprazole is a proton pump inhibitor that suppresses gastric acid secretion by specific inhibition of the H⁺/K⁺ ATPase in the gastric parietal cell. By acting specifically on the proton pump, Esomeprazole blocks the final step in acid production, thus reducing gastric acidity.

Indications

Napgin Plus tablet is indicated for the relief of sign and symptoms of osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, ankylosing spondylitis and to decrease the risk of developing gastric ulcers in patients at risk of developing NSAIDs-associated gastric ulcers.

Dosage and administration

Carefully consider the potential benefits and risks of Napgin Plus and other treatment options before deciding to use Napgin Plus. Use the lowest effective dose of Esomeprazole lower than a total daily dose of 40 mg is more appropriate, a different treatment should be considered.

Rheumatoid arthritis, osteoarthritis, ankylosing spondylitis and dysmenorrhoea	Napgin Plus	1 Tablet twice daily
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Do not split, chew, crush or dissolve the tablet. Napgin Plus is to be taken at least 30 minutes before meals.

Use in special groups

Use in Pregnancy: Pregnancy category C. In late pregnancy, it should be avoided because it may cause premature closure of the ductus arteriosus.

Use in nursing mothers: Naproxen & Esomeprazole are likely to be excreted in human milk, a decision should be made whether to discontinue nursing or to discontinue the drug, taking into account the importance of the drug to the mother.

Pediatric use: Naproxen: The safety and efficacy of Naproxen in pediatric patients below the age of 2 years have not been established.

Esomeprazole: Children over 1 year are recommended to use oral Esomeprazole.

Geriatric use: Caution is advised when high doses are required and some adjustment of dosage may be required in elderly patients.

Hepatic Insufficiency: This combination is not recommended for use in patients with severe hepatic impairment because Esomeprazole doses should not exceed 20 mg daily in these patients.

Renal Insufficiency: This combination is not recommended for use in patients with advanced renal disease (creatinine clearance <30 ml/min).

Contraindications

This combination is contraindicated in patients with known hypersensitivity to Naproxen, Esomeprazole Magnesium or to any of the component. This combination is contraindicated in patients who have experienced asthma, urticaria or allergic reactions after taking aspirin or other NSAIDs. This combination is also contraindicated for the treatment of perioperative pain in the setting of coronary artery bypass graft (CABG) surgery and in patients in the late stage of pregnancy.

Side effects

The adverse effects reported with this combination may include gastrointestinal disorders like dyspepsia, diarrhea, nausea, flatulence, abdominal pain etc.

Drug interactions

Several studies have shown no interaction between the two components Naproxen and Esomeprazole. NSAIDs may diminish the antihypertensive effect of ACE-inhibitors. Probenecid increases Naproxen anion plasma levels and extends its plasma half-life significantly. Co-administration of oral contraceptives, diazepam, phenytoin or quinidine does not seem to change the pharmacokinetic profile of Esomeprazole.

Storage

Store in a cool & dry place, protect from light. Keep out of the reach of children.

Commercial Pack

Napgin Plus tablet: Each box contains 3x10's tablets in Alu-Alu blister pack.

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For further query on the use of this medicine, consult to a registered Doctor or Pharmacist.