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# Rantac® OD 300

#### **GENERIC NAME**

Ranitidine Controlled Delivery Tablets

#### **COMPOSITION**

Each controlled delivery film coated tablet contains:

Ranitidine Hydrochloride IP equivalent to

Ranitidine.....300mg

Excipients.....q.s.

Colours: Sunset Yellow FCF, Red Iron Oxide & Titanium Dioxide IP

#### **DOSAGE FORM/S**

Controlled delivery tablet

#### **INDICATIONS**

Rantac OD 300mg tablet is indicated for treatment of gastro oesophageal reflux disorder (GERD).

#### DOSE AND METHOD OF ADMINISTRATION

To be taken once daily or as directed by the physician.

### **USE IN SPECIAL POPULATIONS**

## Use in pregnancy & Lactation:

Ranitidine crosses the placenta but therapeutic doses administered to obstetric patients in labour or undergoing caesarean section have been without any adverse effect on labour, delivery or subsequent neonatal progress. Like other drugs, ranitidine should only be used during pregnancy if considered essential.

Ranitidine is excreted in human breast milk. Like other drugs, ranitidine should only be used during breast-feeding if considered essential.

#### **Paediatrics:**

As directed by physician.

The recommended oral dose in children is 5 mg/kg/day to 10 mg/kg/day administered as two divided doses to a maximum of 600 mg.

#### Geriatric:

This drug is known to be substantially excreted by the kidney and the risk of toxic reactions to this drug may be greater in patients with impaired renal function. Because elderly patients are more likely to have decreased renal function, caution should be exercised in dose selection, and it may be useful to monitor renal function.

#### **CONTRA-INDICATIONS**

Hypersensitivity to the active substance or to any of the excipient.

#### **WARNINGS & PRECAUTIONS**

#### Malignancy

The possibility of malignancy should be excluded before commencement of therapy in patients with gastric ulcer and in patients of middle age and over with new or recently changed dyspeptic symptoms) as treatment with ranitidine may mask symptoms of gastric carcinoma.

## Renal Disease

Ranitidine is excreted via the kidney and so plasma levels of the drug are increased in patients with renal impairment. The dose should be adjusted for Patients with renal impairment.

Regular supervision of patients who are taking non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs concomitantly with ranitidine is recommended, especially in the elderly. Current evidence shows that ranitidine protects against NSAID associated ulceration in the duodenum and not in the stomach.

Rare clinical reports suggest that ranitidine may precipitate acute porphyric attacks. Ranitidine should therefore be avoided in patients with a history of acute porphyria.

In patients such as the elderly, persons with chronic lung disease, diabetes or the immunocompromised, there may be an increased risk of developing community acquired pneumonia. A large reported epidemiological study showed an increased risk of developing community acquired pneumonia in current users of ranitidine alone versus those who had stopped treatment, with an observed adjusted relative risk increase of 1.82 (95% CI 1.26-2.64). Post-marketing data indicate reversible mental confusion, depression, and hallucinations have been reported most frequently in severely ill and elderly patients.

#### **DRUG INTERACTIONS**

Ranitidine has the potential to affect the absorption, metabolism or renal excretion of other drugs. The altered pharmacokinetics may necessitate dosage adjustment of the affected drug or discontinuation of treatment

Interactions occur by several mechanisms including:

1) Inhibition of cytochrome P450-linked mixed function oxygenase system: Ranitidine at usual therapeutic doses does not potentiate the actions of drugs which are inactivated by this enzyme system such as diazepam, lidocaine, phenytoin, propanolol and theophylline.

There have been reports of altered prothrombin time with coumarin anticoagulants (e.g. warfarin). Due to the narrow therapeutic index, close monitoring of increased or decreased prothrombin time is recommended during concurrent treatment with ranitidine.

2) Competition for renal tubular secretion:

Since ranitidine is partially eliminated by the cationic system, it may affect the clearance of other drugs eliminated by this route. High doses of ranitidine may reduce the excretion of procainamide and N-acetylprocainamide resulting in increased plasma level of these drugs.

3) Alteration of gastric pH:

The bioavailability of certain drugs may be affected. This can result in either an increase in absorption (e.g. triazolam, midazolam, glipizide) or a decrease in absorption (e.g. ketoconazole, atazanavir, delaviridine, gefitnib).

There is no evidence of an interaction between ranitidine and amoxicillin or metronidazole.

If high doses (2 g) of sucralfate are co-administered with ranitidine the absorption of the latter may be reduced. This effect is not seen if sucralfate is taken after an interval of 2 hours.

#### UNDESIRABLE EFFECTS

The following convention has been utilised for the classification of undesirable effects: very common ( $\geq 1/100$ ), common ( $\geq 1/100$ ), uncommon ( $\geq 1/1000$ ), rare ( $\geq 1/1000$ ), rare ( $\leq 1/1000$ ), very rare ( $\leq 1/1000$ ). Adverse event frequencies have been estimated from spontaneous reports from post-marketing data.

## **Blood & Lymphatic System Disorders**

Very Rare: Blood count changes (leucopenia, thrombocytopenia). These are usually reversible.

Agranulocytosis or pancytopenia, sometimes with marrow hypoplasia or marrow aplasia.

## **Immune System Disorders**

Rare: Hypersensitivity reactions (urticaria, angioneurotic oedema, fever, bronchospasm,

hypotension and chest pain).

Very Rare: Anaphylactic shock.

Not known: Dyspnoea.

These events have been reported after a single dose.

## **Psychiatric Disorders**

Very Rare: Reversible mental confusion, depression and hallucinations.

These have been reported predominantly in severely ill patients, in elderly and in nephropatic patients.

## **Nervous System Disorders**

Very Rare: Headache (sometimes severe), dizziness and reversible involuntary movement disorders.

## **Eye Disorders**

Very Rare: Reversible blurred vision.

There have been reports of blurred vision, which is suggestive of a change in accommodation.

#### **Cardiac Disorders**

Very Rare: As with other H<sub>2</sub> receptor antagonists bradycardia, A-V block and tachycardia.

#### Vascular Disorders

Very Rare: Vasculitis.

#### **Gastrointestinal Disorders**

Uncommon: Abdominal pain, constipation, nausea (these symptoms mostly improved during continued

treatment).

Very Rare: Acute pancreatitis, diarrhoea

## **Hepatobiliary Disorders**

Rare: Transient and reversible changes in liver function tests.

Very Rare: Hepatitis (hepatocellular, hepatocanalicular or mixed) with or without jaundice, these were

usually reversible.

#### Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue Disorders

Rare: Skin Rash.

Very Rare: Erythema multiforme, alopecia.

## Musculoskeletal and Connective Tissue Disorders

Very Rare: Musculoskeletal symptoms such as arthralgia and myalgia.

## **Renal and Urinary Disorders**

Rare: Elevation of plasma creatinine (usually slight; normalised during continued treatment)

Very Rare: Acute interstitial nephritis.

## **Reproductive System and Breast Disorders**

Very Rare: Reversible impotence, breast symptoms and breast conditions (such as gynaecomastia and

galactorrhoea).

#### **OVERDOSE**

#### Symptoms and signs

Ranitidine is very specific in action and accordingly no particular problems are expected following overdosage.

#### Treatment

Symptomatic and supportive therapy should be given as appropriate.

#### PHARMACODYNAMIC AND PHARMACOKINETIC PROPERTIES

## Pharmacodynamic properties:

Pharmacotherapeutic group: H2-receptor antagonists

#### Mechanism of action

Ranitidine is a specific rapidly acting histamine H<sub>2</sub>-antagonist. It inhibits basal and stimulated secretion of gastric acid, reducing both the volume and the acid and pepsin content of the secretion.

## **Pharmacokinetics properties:**

Following oral administration of 150 mg Ranitidine, maximum plasma concentrations (300 to 550 ng/mL) occurred after 1—3 hours. Two distinct peaks or plateau in the absorption phase result from reabsorption of drug excreted into the intestine. The absolute bioavailability of ranitidine is 50-60% and plasma concentrations increase proportionally with increasing dose up to 300 mg. Ranitidine is not extensively bound to plasma proteins. Ranitidine is not extensively metabolised. The fraction of the dose recovered as metabolites is similar after both oral and i.v. dosing. The major route of elimination is renal.

#### **INCOMPATIBILITIES**

Not applicable

#### **SHELF-LIFE**

24 months

#### PACKAGING INFORMATION

Blister of 10 tablets

#### STORAGE AND HANDLING INSTRUCTIONS

Store at a temperature below 30°C. Protect from light & moisture.

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