

# Naproxen BP 250 mg Tablet & 500 mg SR Tablet

**Nipoxen** (Naproxen) is a non steroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID) with anti-inflammatory, analgesic & antipyretic properties. It is rapidly absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract and achieves 95% bioavailability.

Nipoxen 250 Tablet: Each tablet contains Naproxen BP 250 mg.

Nipoxen 500 SR Tablet: Each sustained release tablet contains Naproxen BP 500 mg.

# INDICATION

**Nipoxen** (Naproxen) is indicated for the relief of sign and symptoms of rheumatoid arthritis, osteoarthritis, ankylosing spondylitis, juvenile arthritis, tendonitis, bursitis & acute gout. It is also indicated for the management of primary dysmenorrhea & pain.

### **DOSAGE & ADMINISTRATION**

Rheumatoid arthritis, osteoarthritis and ankylosing spondylitis: The usual dose is 500-1000 mg daily in two divided doses after meals.

Management of pain, primary dysmenorrhea, acute tendonitis & bursitis: Recommended starting dose is 500 mg followed by 500 mg every 12 hours or 250 mg every 6-8 hours. The initial total daily dose should not exceed 1250 mg and thereafter, the total daily dose should not exceed 1000 mg.

Acute gout: Recommended starting dose is 750 mg followed by 250 mg every 8 hours until the attack has subsided.

#### SIDE FEFECT

Most frequently reported side effects include following:

Gastrointestinal: Heartburn, abdominal pain, nausea, diarrhea, dyspepsia.

Central Nervous System: Headache, vertigo, drowsiness.

Dermatological: Pruritus (itching), purpura.

Cardiovascular: Edema, palpitation.

Others: Visual disturbances, hearing disturbances.

# **PRECAUTION & CONTRAINDICATION**

**Nipoxen** is contraindicated in patients with known hypersensitivity to Naproxen. It should not be given to patients who have experienced asthma, urticaria, or allergic-type reactions after taking aspirin or other NSAIDs. It is contraindicated for the treatment of perioperative pain in the setting of coronary artery bypass graft (CABG) surgery.

# **DRUG INTERACTION**

ACE inhibitors: diminish the antihypertensive effect of ACE inhibitors.

Antacids & Sucralfate: delay the absorption of Naproxen.

Aspirin: increase adverse effects.

Diuretics: reduce the natriuretic effect of Eurosemide and Thiazides.

Methotrexate: enhance the toxicity of Methotrexate.

Warfarin: increase the risk of GI bleeding.

Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors (SSRI): increase the risk of GI bleeding.

# PREGNANCY & LACTATION

US FDA pregnancy category of Naproxen is C. So, Naproxen should be avoided in pregnancy & lactation unless the potential benefits to the other outweigh the possible risks to the fetus.

## STORAGE CONDITION

Keep in a dry place away from light & heat. Keep out of the reach of children.

### HOW SUPPLIED

**Nipoxen** 250 Tablet: Each box contains 50 tablets in Alu-PVC blister pack. **Nipoxen** 500 SR Tablet: Each box contains 30 tablets in Alu-PVC blister pack.



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