## MAXIFEN<sup>®</sup> Tablets

Dear patient,

# Please read the following instructions carefully. They contain important information about the use of this medicine. If you have any further questions, please ask your doctor or pharmacist.

### Information about MAXIFEN

Each MAXIFEN tablet for oral administration contains:

Ibuprofen 400 mg

Paracetamol 325 mg

Ibuprofen is a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID) with analgesic and antipyretic properties. Ibuprofen inhibits cyclooxygenase activity and prostaglandin synthesis.

Paracetamol is a clinically proven analgesic / antipyretic. Paracetamol produces analgesia by elevation of the pain threshold and antipyresis through action on the hypothalamic heat-regulating center.

MAXIFEN tablets are indicated for the short-term management of acute pain and/or fever.

MAXIFEN is effective in the following conditions:

- Various types of headache including migraine

- Muscular aches
- Backache
- Musculoskeletal disorders such as arthritis, sprains
- Common cold
- Dental pain
- Premenstrual and menstrual pain
- Postoperative pain
- Fever

## The way to take MAXIFEN

Take MAXIFEN as directed.

The usual recommended dose for adults is 1 tablet while symptoms occur. Dosage can be repeated if necessary every 4 to 6 hours. Dosage can be increased to a maximum of 4 tablets per day, depending on the severity of the condition.

Take MAXIFEN tablets with food or after meals with a full glass of water.

#### Duration of treatment

Do not use continuously for more than 10 days without consulting a doctor.

#### In case of overdose

In case of intake of high doses of this medication, inform your doctor at once and seek emergency medical attention. General measures should be adopted.

#### In case of missed dose

If you miss taking a dose there is no cause for concern, since analgesics may be used only when needed. However, if your health care professional has recommended that you take this drug try to remember to take it as directed.

#### Contraindications

This drug is contraindicated in the following conditions:

- History of hypersensitivity to any of the components
- In patients who have experienced asthma, urticaria or allergic-type reactions after taking aspirin or other NSAIDs
- Active peptic ulcer
- Severe renal function impairment

#### Precautions

- Stop using and ask a doctor if new symptoms occur, if redness or swelling is present, if pain gets worse or lasts for more than 10 days, or if fever gets worse or lasts for more than 3 days.
- Report any signs or symptoms of gastrointestinal bleeding, eye problems, skin rash or edema.
- This drug should be used with care in patients with asthma, in patients with a history of peptic ulcer disease or gastrointestinal bleeding and in patients with impaired renal or hepatic function.

- This drug should be used with caution in persons with intrinsic coagulation defects, in patients on anticoagulant therapy, and in patients with hypertension, heart failure or any cardiovascular disease.
- Inform your doctor before using this medication in case of pregnancy or lactation. It is recommended to avoid using this medication during the third trimester of pregnancy.

### Associations with other medications

Please inform your doctor or pharmacist if other medicines are being taken or have been taken recently. This product contains paracetamol; therefore you should not take other drugs containing paracetamol to avoid the risk of overdose.

Avoid drinking excessive amounts of alcoholic beverages during treatment.

Use with caution with antihypertensive agents, aspirin, diuretics, lithium, methotrexate, digoxin and oral anticoagulants.

#### Adverse reactions

This drug is usually well tolerated.

Hematological reactions, skin rashes, hypersensitivity reactions, dyspepsia, nausea, vomiting, gastrointestinal bleeding, peptic ulcers, hypertension, fluid retention and edema have been rarely reported. Please inform your doctor if any side effect appears or becomes bothersome.

#### Storage

Store at controlled room temperature (up to 25°C), protected from light and humidity, beyond the reach of children.

The expiry date is printed on the pack; don't use this medicine after this date.

#### Pack Presentation

MAXIFEN, ibuprofen 400 mg & paracetamol 325 mg, pack of 10 tablets

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