

OPSUMIT 10mg film-coated tablets PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

ACTIVE INGREDIENT(S): Macitentan

Please refer to Summary of Product Characteristics (SmPC) before prescribing.

INDICATION(S): Mono or combination therapy for long-term treatment of pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH), in adults of WHO Functional Class (FC) II & III. Efficacy shown in idiopathic and heritable PAH, PAH associated with connective tissue disorders, and PAH associated with corrected simple congenital heart disease.

DOSAGE & ADMINISTRATION: Treatment should only be initiated and monitored by a physician experienced in the treatment of PAH. To be administered orally, once daily with/without food. Tablets should be swallowed whole, with water. **Elderly patients:** No dose adjustment required in patients >65 years. **Paediatric patients:** Safety and efficacy not yet established in children and adolescents below 18 years. **Hepatic impairment:** Mild/moderate: no dose adjustment. Severe: contraindicated. **Renal impairment:** Caution advised in in PAH patients with severe renal impairment. Not recommended in dialysis patients.

CONTRAINDICATIONS: Hypersensitivity to active substance, soya or to any of the excipients. Pregnancy, women of childbearing potential not using reliable contraception, breastfeeding, severe hepatic impairment or baseline hepatic aminotransferase (AST/ALT) >3X upper limit of normal (ULN).

SPECIAL WARNINGS & PRECAUTIONS: Benefit/risk not established in WHO FC I. Patients with rare hereditary galactose intolerance, total lactase deficiency or glucose-galactose malabsorption or hypersensitivity to soya, should not take macitentan. **Hepatic insufficiency:** Record baseline hepatic AST/ALT prior to initiation of Opsumit with monthly monitoring recommended. **Haemoglobin (Hgb):** Record baseline Hgb and monitor as clinically indicated. Treatment not recommended in patients with severe anaemia. **Renal impairment:** Monitoring of blood pressure and Hgb should be considered in patients with renal impairment. **Pulmonary veno-occlusive disease (PVOD):** If signs of pulmonary oedema, consider possibility of PVOD. **Women of child bearing potential:** Only initiate treatment in women of childbearing potential, using reliable contraception, who have a negative pregnancy test *immediately* prior to treatment and thereafter monthly during treatment. **CYP3A4 inducers/inhibitors:** Avoid concomitant use with strong CYP3A4 **inducers** (e.g. rifampicin, St. John's wort, carbamazepine, and phenytoin) as efficacy could be reduced. Use caution with concomitant use of strong CYP3A4 **inhibitors** (e.g., itraconazole, ketoconazole, voriconazole, clarithromycin, telithromycin, nefazodone, ritonavir, and saquinavir). **Dual/combined CYP3A4 and CYP2C9 inhibitors:** Use caution with concomitant use of moderate **dual inhibitors** of CYP3A4 and CYP2C9 (e.g., fluconazole and amiodarone). Use caution with concomitant use of **both** a moderate CYP3A4 **inhibitor** (e.g., ciprofloxacin, cyclosporine, diltiazem, erythromycin, verapamil) and moderate CYP2C9 **inhibitor** (e.g., miconazole, piperine).

SIDE EFFECTS: **Very common:** nasopharyngitis, bronchitis, headache, anaemia, haemoglobin decrease, oedema, fluid retention. **Common:** pharyngitis, influenza, urinary tract

infection, leukopenia, thrombocytopenia, AST/ALT elevations, hypotension, flushing, nasal congestion. **Other side effects:** hypersensitivity.

Refer to SmPC for other side effects.

FERTILITY:

Decreases in sperm count have been observed in patients taking ERAs. Macitentan, like other ERAs, may have an adverse effect on spermatogenesis in men.

LEGAL CATEGORY: Prescription Only Medicine (POM)

PRESENTATIONS, PACK SIZES & MARKETING AUTHORISATION NUMBER(S)

PRESENTATIONS	PACK SIZES	MARKETING AUTHORISATION NUMBER(S)
10mg tablets	30 Tablets	EU/1/13/893/002

MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER: Janssen-Cilag International NV, Turnhoutseweg 30, B-2340 Beerse, Belgium.

FURTHER INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE FROM: Janssen Sciences Ireland UC, Barnahely, Ringaskiddy, IRL - Co. Cork, P43 FA46.

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Adverse events should be reported. Healthcare professionals are asked to report any suspected adverse events via:

HPRA Pharmacovigilance

Website: www.hpra.ie

Adverse events should also be reported to Janssen Sciences Ireland UC on 1800 709 122 or at dsafety@its.jnj.com.

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