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Presentation

Light yellow, sugar-coated tablets containing either 50 mg or 100 mg of flurbiprofen. The 50 mg tablets are overprinted 'F50' in black; the 100 mg tablets are overprinted 'F100', also in black.

Uses

Froben is a nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory agent which has significant anti-inflammatory, analgesic and antipyretic properties and is indicated in the treatment of rheumatoid disease, osteoarthrosis, ankylosing spondylitis and allied conditions.

Dosage and Administration

The recommended daily dosage is 150 to 200 mg in three or four divided

In patients with severe symptoms or disease of recent origin, or during acute exacerbations, the total daily dosage may be increased to 300 mg in divided doses.

Contra-indications and Warnings, etc.

Froben should not be given to patients with peptic ulceration. Care should be taken when administering the drug to patients with asthma or who have experienced bronchospasm with other anti-inflammatory or analgesic agents. The safety of Froben during pregnancy or lactation has not been established. In animal experiments, no teratogenic effects were demonstrated but parturition was delayed and prolonged.

Side-effects: Dyspepsia, heartburn and headache are the commonest sideeffects encountered. Occasional skin rashes have been reported.

Treatment of Overdosage: Gastric lavage and, if necessary, correction of serum electrolytes. There is no specific antidote to flurbiprofen.

Pharmaceutical Precautions

No special storage requirements are necessary.

Legal Category

Prescription Only Medicine.

Package Quantities

50 mg tablets:

packs of 100 and 500

100 mg tablets: packs of 100

Further Information

Froben is a potent nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory agent which has significant anti-inflammatory, analgesic and antipyretic properties. It is a highly potent inhibitor of prostaglandin synthetase enzymes which are known to be associated with inflammation, pain and fever.

Studies in the treatment of rheumatoid disease, osteoarthrosis and ankylosing spondylitis have indicated that Froben is as effective as the more potent of the established nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory agents and, in many patients, better tolerated. Long-term clinical studies have not revealed any evidence of significant effects upon the hepatic, renal or haemopoietic systems.

Because of the flexible dosage range, Froben is available as 50 mg tablets and 100 mg tablets, the higher strength preparation providing a convenient dose-form for those patients requiring 300 mg daily in three divided doses.

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