

**Long-form EI (for more information, see rule 41 of the PAGB professional code)**

**Benadryl Allergy Relief Plus Decongestant Capsules Product Information:**

**Presentation:** Acrivastine 8mg and pseudoephedrine 60mg capsules.

**Uses:** Symptomatic relief of allergic rhinitis.

**Dosage:** Adults and children 12 - 65 years: One capsule as necessary, up to three times a day.

**Contraindications:** Hypersensitivity to the active substances, triprolidine or to any of the excipients. Cardiovascular disease including hypertension, concomitant use of beta blockers or other sympathomimetic decongestants, diabetes mellitus, phaeochromocytoma, closed angle glaucoma, hyperthyroidism, significant or severe renal impairment. in patients who are taking or have taken MAOI's in the preceding 14 days. Contains lactose monohydrate. Patients with rare hereditary problems of galactose intolerance, total lactase deficiency or glucose-galactose malabsorption should not take this medicine.

**Precautions:** Severe hepatic impairment, moderate to severe renal impairment or occlusive vascular disease. Effects of alcohol or other CNS depressants may be enhanced. Patients taking sympathomimetics, antihypertensives, anticholinergic drugs such as tricyclic antidepressants, oxytocin, cardiac glycosides, ergot alkaloids, moclobemide, anaesthetic agents, ketoconazole, erythromycin or grapefruit juice. Patients with difficulty in urination and/or enlargement of the prostate, or patients with thyroid disease who are receiving thyroid hormones should not take pseudoephedrine unless directed by a physician. If any of the following occur, this product should be stopped: hallucinations, restlessness, sleep disturbances. Severe skin reactions such as acute generalized exanthematous pustulosis (AGEP) may occur with pseudoephedrine containing products. Some cases of ischaemic colitis have been reported with pseudoephedrine. Cases of ischaemic optic neuropathy have been reported with pseudoephedrine. Pseudoephedrine should be discontinued if sudden loss of vision or decreased visual acuity such as scotoma occurs. Rare cases of posterior reversible encephalopathy syndrome (PRES) / reversible cerebral vasoconstriction syndrome (RCVS) have been reported with sympathomimetic drugs, including pseudoephedrine.

**Pregnancy & lactation:** Not recommended.

**Side effects:** Hypersensitivity (including dyspnoea and face swelling), cross-sensitivity with other sympathomimetics, insomnia, nervousness, anxiety, euphoric mood, excitability, hallucinations, irritability, paranoid delusions, restlessness, sleep disorder, headache, somnolence, dizziness, cerebrovascular accident, paraesthesia, posterior reversible encephalopathy syndrome (PRES)/reversible cerebral vasoconstriction syndrome (RCVS), psychomotor hyperactivity, tremor, dysrhythmias, myocardial infarction/myocardial ischaemia, palpitations, tachycardia, hypertension, dry mouth, nausea, ischaemic colitis, ischaemic optic neuropathy, vomiting, angioedema, pruritus, rash, severe skin reactions, including acute generalised exanthematous pustulosis (AGEP), dysuria, urinary retention in men in whom prostatic enlargement could have been an important predisposing factor.

**RRP (ex-VAT):** 12s £5.41

**Legal cat:** P

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