

## 1. NAME OF THE FINISHED PRODUCT

Glimicron 80mg Tablet

## 2. QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE COMPOSITION

ACTIVE INGREDIENTS	PER TABLET (MG)
Gliclazide	80 mg

Kindly refer to Section 6.1 for excipient.

## 3. PHARMACEUTICAL FORM

Round, white uncoated tablet, flat faces, bevel-edged, cross score embossed on one face.

## 4. CLINICAL PARTICULARS

### 4.1 Therapeutic indication

Noninsulin dependent diabetes (type 2) in adults when dietary measures, physical exercise and weight loss alone are not sufficient to control blood glucose.

### 4.2 Posology and Method of administration

The total daily dose may vary from 40 to 320 mg taken orally. The dose should be adjusted according to the individual patient's response, commencing with 40-80 mg daily (½-1 tablet) and increasing until adequate control is achieved. A single dose should not exceed 160 mg (2 tablets). When higher doses are required, Glimicron 80 mg Tablets should be taken twice daily and according to the main meals of the day.

In obese patients or those not showing adequate response to Glimicron 80 mg Tablets alone, additional therapy may be required.

Glimicron 80 mg can be given in combination with biguanides, alpha glucosidase inhibitors or insulin.

In patients not adequately controlled with Glimicron 80 mg, concomitant insulin therapy can be initiated under close medical supervision.

### 4.3 Contraindication

Except under special circumstances, this medication should not be used when the following medical problems exist: Acidosis, burns, diabetic coma, infection, ketoacidosis, ketosis, surgery and trauma.

Risk-benefit should be considered when the following medical problems exist: Adrenal insufficiency, pituitary insufficiency, fever, nausea, vomiting, thyroid function impairment, debilitated physical condition, hepatic function impairment, malnourishment, renal function impairment, sensitivity to oral antidiabetic agents and patients with acute porphyria.

### **Warnings and precautions**

- Patients sensitive to one of the oral antidiabetic agents may be sensitive to the others also.
- Oral antidiabetic agents must not be used during pregnancy. Abnormal blood glucose levels have been associated with a higher incidence of congenital abnormalities during early pregnancy, and with increased perinatal morbidity and mortality later in pregnancy.
- It should not be used in insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus.
- It should not be given in severe impairment of renal or hepatic function because of an increased risk of hypoglycaemia or severe impairment of thyroid function.
- Its antidiuretic effect may cause problems in patients with conditions associated with fluid retention.
- It is not known whether gliclazide is excreted in breast milk. However other sulphonylureas have been found in breast milk and there is no evidence to suggest that gliclazide differs from the group in this respect.
- Geriatric patients and patients with renal insufficiency may be more sensitive to the effects of this medication because of reduced metabolism and excretion. Dosage should therefore be initiated at a lower level and adjusted cautiously. In the elderly, hypoglycaemia may be more difficult to recognize and may cause more neurological symptoms. These symptoms include anxiety, confusion, and difficulty in concentrating, drowsiness, nervousness or unusual tiredness.
- Dental: The leukopenic and thrombocytopenic effects of sulphonylureas may result in an increased incidence of microbial infection, delayed healing and gingival bleeding. If leukopenia or cytopenia occurs, dental work should be deferred until blood counts have returned to normal. Patients should be instructed in the proper oral hygiene required during this period. This includes cautious use of regular toothbrushes, dental floss and toothpicks.
- Cross-sensitivity to other sulfonamide or thiazide-type medications may also occur.

### **Drug Interactions**

- An odd interaction involves alcohol intolerance which is similar to disulfiram-alcohol interaction. There is also an increased risk of hypoglycaemia with alcohol.
- Compounds that may diminish the hypoglycaemic effect and thus necessitate an increase in the dosage requirement of the sulphonylurea include rifampicin and thiazide diuretics, corticosteroids and estrogens.
- Compounds that may increase the hypoglycaemic effect of sulphonylureas and necessitate a reduction in their dosage requirement include anti-infective agents such as chloramphenicol, guanethidine, monoamine oxidase inhibitors, salicylates, sulfonamides, trimethoprim, phenylbutazone, ketoconazole, miconazole, fluconazole, sulphinpyrazone and azapropazone.
- A reversible decrease in thrombocyte count in patients receiving ketotifen concomitantly with oral antidiabetic agents has been observed in a few cases. Concurrent administration of ketotifen should therefore be avoided.
- Beta-blockers may mask some of the symptoms of hypoglycaemia. Also, beta-blockers may have hypoglycaemic or hyperglycaemic actions of their own.

- The hypoglycaemic effect may be enhanced when administered concurrently with insulin.
- If administered concurrently with anticoagulants, increased plasma concentrations of both the anticoagulant and sulphonylurea may occur initially; with continued therapy, decreased anticoagulant plasma concentrations and increased hepatic metabolism of the sulphonylurea may occur; dosage adjustments of one or both medications may be required.

#### **4.6 Pregnancy and lactation**

None known

#### **4.7 Effect on ability to drive and use machines**

Not applicable

#### **Main Side/Adverse Effects**

- Gastro-intestinal disturbances such as nausea, vomiting, heartburn, anorexia, diarrhoea and a metallic taste are usually mild and dose-dependant.
- Skin rashes and pruritus.
- Severe, prolonged and sometimes fatal hypoglycaemia.
- Other severe effects may be a manifestation of a hypersensitivity reaction which includes cholestatic jaundice, leucopenia, thrombocytopenia, aplastic anaemia, agranulocytosis, haemolytic anaemia, erythema multiforme or Stevens-Johnson syndrome, exfoliative dermatitis and erythema nodosum.

#### **4.9 Overdose**

Clinical features:

- Nausea and vomiting.
- Abdominal pain, (rarely) haematemesis and melaena. Drowsiness, coma, twitching, convulsions.
- Depressed limb reflexes with extensor plantar responses.
- Hyperapnoea, acute pulmonary oedema.
- Sinus tachycardia, hypotension, circulatory failure.
- Absence of sweating.
- Hypoglycaemia, hyperkalaemia, metabolic (lactic) acidosis, leucocytosis.
- Late complication cholestasis jaundice

Treatment of overdose:

- Emesis or gastric lavage, if appropriate. Administration of repeated doses of oral activated charcoal with appropriate cathartic may also be used.
- Supportive measures.
- 50ml of 50% glucose IV repeated as necessary and/or glucagon 1-2mg IV to correct hypoglycaemia, followed by an IV infusion of 5 - 10% dextrose for 24 to 72 hours as necessary.
- Treat mild hypoglycaemia with immediate ingestion of a source of sugar.

## 5. PHARMACOLOGICAL PROPERTIES

### 5.1 Pharmacodynamic properties

Gliclazide, a sulphonylurea, acts by promoting release of insulin from the beta cells of pancreatic islet tissue by an unknown process. Insulin production is not increased. Hepatic glycogenolysis and gluconeogenesis are decreased. Insulin sensitivity is increased at peripheral target sites. Therefore, sulphonylureas are effective only in patients whose pancreas are capable of producing insulin.

### Pharmacokinetic properties

- Absorption  
It is readily absorbed from the gastro-intestinal tract.
- Protein Binding  
Gliclazide is very extensively bound to plasma proteins.
- Metabolic Reactions  
It is extensively metabolized in the liver to metabolites without significant hypoglycaemic activity.
- Half-life  
Plasma half-life is about 10 to 12 hours.
- Excretion  
Both unchanged drug and metabolites are excreted in the urine.

### 5.3 Preclinical Safety Data

NOT APPLICABLE

## 6. PHARMACEUTICAL PARTICULARS

### List of excipients

Lactose Monohydrate  
Polyvinylpyrrolidone K-25  
Microcrystalline Cellulose pH101  
Sodium Starch Glycolate  
Magnesium Stearate  
Purified water

### 6.2 Incompatibilities

NOT APPLICABLE

### 6.3 Shelflife

3 years from date of manufacture

### 6.4 Special precaution for storage

Store below 30°C. Protect from moisture.

## Nature and content of container

<u>Primary Packaging</u>		
1	Material description Width Thickness Colour of film	:Rigid PVDC film :106 mm :0.25 mm :Glass clear transparent
2	Material description Width Specification	:Glimicron aluminium foil : 106 mm :Foil property: Silver plain hard tempered 20 micron aluminium foil with 6276 primer on bright and heat seal on dull surface, 3-4 gsm.
<u>Secondary Packaging</u>		
3	Material description Dimension	:Glimicron 80mg Tablet Insert : 160mm(W) x 165mm(L)
4	Material description Dimension	:Glimicron 80mg Tablet (10x10) Unit Box :47.5mm(L)x43.5mm(W)x101.0mm(H)
5	Material description Dimension	:PVC shrink-wrap Glimicron 80mg Unit Box :340mm(W) x 157mm(L)
6	Material description Dimension	:Plain carton for Glimicron 80mg Tablet :458mm(L)x410mm(W) x 224mm(H)

### **Instructions for use and handling <and disposal>**

NOT APPLICABLE

## **7. MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER**

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