

# Depram<sup>®</sup>

## Imipramine Hydrochloride

### COMPOSITION

**Depram<sup>®</sup> Tablet:** Each film coated tablet contains Imipramine Hydrochloride BP 25 mg.

### PHARMACOLOGY

Imipramine is a prototype tricyclic class of antidepressants. It is a potent inhibitor of norepinephrine & serotonin reuptake at nerve endings.

### INDICATIONS

- Depression
- Panic disorder
- Nocturnal enuresis

### DOSAGE & ADMINISTRATION

**Depression:** Initially up to 75 mg daily in divided doses increased gradually to 150-200 mg (up to 300 mg in hospital); up to 150 mg may be given as a single dose at bed time; elderly, initially 10 mg daily, increased gradually to 30-50 mg daily; child not recommended for depression.

**Panic attack:** Initially 10-25 mg/day, depending on how the medication is tolerated. The daily doses required vary greatly from patient to patient, between 75-150 mg, if necessary it can be increased to 200 mg.

**Nocturnal enuresis:** Child: 7 years, 25 mg; 8-11 years 25-50 mg, over 11 years, 50-75 mg at bedtime; max. period of treatment (including gradual withdrawal) is 3 months.

### CONTRAINDICATIONS

Recent myocardial infarction, arrhythmias (particularly heart block), not indicated in manic phase, severe liver disease.

### WARNING & PRECAUTION

Cardiac diseases (particularly with arrhythmias), history with epilepsy, elderly, hepatic impairment (avoid if severe), thyroid disease, psychoses, angle-closure glaucoma, history of urinary retention, concurrent electro-convulsive therapy.

### SIDE-EFFECT

Dry mouth, less sedation, blurred vision (disturbances of accommodation, increased intraocular pressure), constipation, nausea, difficulty with micturition; cardiovascular side-effects, sweating, tremors, rashes and hypersensitivity reaction (including urticaria & photosensitivity), behavioral disturbances (particularly in children) hypomania or mania (particularly in elderly), blood sugar changes, increased appetite, weight gain (occasionally weight loss).

### DRUG INTERACTION

Imipramine should not be used in combination with Monoamine Oxidase Inhibitors (MAOI), anticholinergic agents, antihypertensive agents, methylphenidate, levodopa, antipsychotic drug, cimetidine, barbiturates, and oral contraceptives.

### USE IN PREGNANCY & LACTATION

Treatment with Imipramine should be avoided during pregnancy, unless the anticipated benefits justify the potential risk to the fetus.

Since Imipramine passes into the breast milk in small quantities, Imipramine should be gradually withdrawn or the mother be advised to cease breast-feeding.

### STORAGE

Store below 30° C. Protect from light. Keep all the medicines out of the reach of children.

### HOW SUPPLIED

Each box contains 60 tablets in blister pack.

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