

POR-8 FERRING(R)

Injection

Ornipressin

Consumer Medicine Information

What is in this leaflet

This leaflet answers some common questions about POR-8 FERRING(R).

It does not contain all the available information. It does not take the place of talking to your doctor or pharmacist.

Please read this leaflet before treatment with POR-8 FERRING(R) is commenced.

All medicines have risks and benefits. Your doctor has weighed the risks of you using POR-8 FERRING(R) against the benefits they expect it will have for you.

If you have any concerns about using this medicine, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

Keep this leaflet with the medicine. You may need to read it again.

What POR-8 FERRING(R) is used for

This medicine is used to help control bleeding. It narrows blood vessels at the site of an operation.

Ask your doctor if you have any questions about why this medicine has been prescribed for you. Your doctor may have prescribed it for another reason.

There is no evidence that POR-8 FERRING(R) medicine is addictive

It is available only with a doctor's prescription.

Before you use POR-8 FERRING(R)

When you must not use it

Do not use POR-8 FERRING(R) if you have/are:

- * coronary heart disease
- * very high blood pressure
- * epilepsy
- * advanced hardening of the arteries
- * infection relating to pregnancy
- * pregnant
- * allergies to the contents of the product

There are some anaesthetic procedures where POR-8 FERRING(R) should not be used.

Your doctor has more information about these.

Do not use this medicine after the expiry date printed on the pack or if the packaging is torn or shows signs of tampering.

If it has expired or is damaged, return it to your pharmacist for disposal.

Before you start to use it

Tell your doctor if you have or have had any of the medical conditions listed above or if you have a condition in which a rise in blood pressure may cause you to become unwell.

Tell your doctor if you plan to become pregnant.

Using other medicines

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are using any other medicines, including any that you get without a prescription from your pharmacy, supermarket or health food shop.

Your doctor and pharmacist have more information on medicines to be careful with or avoid while being treated with this medicine.

How to use POR-8 FERRING(R)

POR-8 FERRING(R) is not intended for self administration.

POR-8 FERRING(R) is given by regional infiltration.

Your doctor will administer this medication to you during surgery.

How much POR-8 FERRING(R) will be used?

Your doctor will determine the dose according to your needs.

Overdose

Overdosage is highly unlikely. However, high doses may cause gastrointestinal disturbances, high blood pressure, convulsion and sweating, in some people.

Side effects

This medicine helps most people but it may have unwanted side effects in a few people. All medicines can have side effects. Sometimes they are serious, most of the time they are not. You may need medical attention if you get some of the side effects.

Do not be alarmed by the following list of side effects. You may not experience any of them.

- * facial paleness
- * rise in blood pressure
- * fall in blood pressure
- * irregular heartbeat
- * angina pain
- * perspiration
- * increased bowel motility
- * allergic skin reactions

Isolated reports have been received of cardiac arrest when POR-8 FERRING(R) has been used in conjunction with other medication.

Ask your doctor or pharmacist to answer any questions you may have.

After using POR-8 FERRING(R)

Storage

POR-8 FERRING(R) is usually stored in the hospital pharmacy or in the ward. It should be protected from light and stored in a refrigerator at a temperature between 2 degrees and 8 degrees C.

Disposal

Any POR-8 FERRING(R) which is left over, not used or has passed its expiry date will be disposed of by hospital staff.

Product description

What it looks like

POR-8 FERRING(R) is supplied in 1mL glass ampoules. It is a clear, colourless solution.

Ingredients

POR-8 FERRING(R) contains the active ingredient ornipressin as well as the following inactive ingredients:

- * sodium acetate
- * sodium chloride
- * acetic acid
- * water for injections

Distributor

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