VASOVIN XL

1. Generic Name

Timed Release Capsules of Nitroglycerin 2.5 mg and 6.5 mg

2. Qualitative and quantitative Composition:

VASOVIN XL 2.5mg

Each timed release capsule contains:

Diluted nitroglycerin I.P.

Equivalent to nitroglycerin 2.5mg

Excipients q.s.

Empty hard gelatin capsule contains approved colors.

The excipients used are ready to use Nitroglycerin SR pellets.

VASOVIN XL 6.5mg

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Diluted nitroglycerin I.P.

Equivalent to nitroglycerin 6.5mg

Excipients q.s.

Empty hard gelatin capsule contains approved colors.

The excipients used are ready to use Nitroglycerin SR pellets.

3. Dosage form and strength

Dosage form: Capsule

Strength: Nitroglycerin Capsules 2.5 and 6.5mg

4. Clinical particulars

4.1 Therapeutic indication

Nitroglycerin Extended-Release Capsules are indicated for the prevention of angina pectoris due to coronary artery disease. The onset of action of oral nitroglycerin is not sufficiently rapid for this product to be useful in aborting an acute anginal episode.

4.2 Posology and method of administration

Posology

Treatment of acute attacks of Angina Pectoris

When angina starts, 500micrograms glyceryl trinitrate (one tablet) should be taken and if symptoms do not resolve, may be repeated at five minute intervals for a total of three doses. If symptoms have not resolved after a total of three doses, the patient should seek prompt medical attention.

The patient should preferably rest in the sitting position because of the risk of symptomatic postural hypotension.

Prophylaxis of Angina Pectoris

Glyceryl trinitrate, 500micrograms (one tablet), may be used prior to activity which is likely to precipitate angina pectoris.

Paediatric population

No reported data are available on the use of glyceryl trinitrate in children.

Elderly

Hypotension and syncope can be a particular problem with use of nitrates in the elderly. Patients should be advised to sit down whenever possible when taking sublingual glyceryl trinitrate.

Method of administration:

Nitroglycerin have shown that maintenance of continuous 24-hour plasma levels of nitroglycerin results in tolerance (i.e., loss of clinical response). Every dosing regimen for Nitroglycerin Extended-Release Capsules should provide a daily nitrate-free interval to avoid the development of this tolerance. The minimum necessary length of such an interval has not been defined, but studies with other nitroglycerin formulations have shown that 10 to 12 hours is sufficient. Large controlled studies with other formulations of nitroglycerin show that no dosing regimen with Nitroglycerin Extended-Release Capsules should be expected to provide more than about 12 hours of continuous antianginal efficacy per day.

The pharmacokinetics of Nitroglycerin capsules, and the clinical effects of multiple-dose regimens, has not been well studied. The initial regimen of Nitroglycerin has been 2.5 to 6.5 mg three to four times a day, with subsequent upward dose adjustment guided by symptoms and side effects..

4.3 Contraindications

- Hypersensitivity to the active substance, to other nitro compounds, or to any of the excipients listed in section 6.1.
- Patients taking phosphodiesterase type 5 inhibitors (e.g. sildenafil, vardenafil, tadalafil) (See section 4.5).
- Angina caused by hypertrophic obstructive cardiomyopathy as it may exaggerate outflow obstruction.
- Patients with possible increased intracranial pressure (e.g. cerebral haemorrhage or head trauma).
- Marked anaemia
- Closed angle glaucoma.

4.4 Special warnings and precautions for use

Glyceryl trinitrate should be used with caution in patients in whom adequate preload is important for maintaining cardiac output (e.g. acute circulatory shock including hypovolemic shock or cardiogenic shock with inadequate diastolic filling pressures, severe mitral stenosis, pericardial tamponade, constrictive pericarditis, orthostatic dysfunction) because administration of a vasodilator in these patients may worsen clinical status.

Glyceryl trinitrate should be used with caution in patients with severe hypotension (systolic blood pressure below 90 mm Hg) and patients with cardiogenic shock, unless a sufficiently high left ventricular end diastolic pressure is assured by intra-aortal counterpulsation or positive inotropic drugs.

Glyceryl trinitrate should be used with caution in patients with cerebrovascular disease since symptoms may be precipitated by hypotension.

Glyceryl trinitrate may worsen hypoxaemia in patients with lung disease or cor pulmonale. Arterial hypotension with bradycardia may occur in patients with myocardial infarction; this is thought to be reflexly mediated.

The use of glyceryl trinitrate could theoretically compromise myocardial blood supply in patients with left ventricular hypertrophy associated with aortic stenosis because of the detrimental effects of tachycardia and decreased aortic diastolic pressure.

Detailed haemodynamic studies in a small number of patients with valvular aortic stenosis with and without concomitant significant coronary artery disease studied in the supine position have not shown adverse effects with sublingual glyceryl trinitrate. However it seems prudent to be cautious in treating ambulant patients with the combination of angina and moderate to severe valvular aortic stenosis.

Caution is necessary in patients with severe hepatic or renal impairment, hypothyroidism, hypoxaemia, hypothermia or a recent history of myocardial infaraction and malnutrition.

Sublingual tablets

If angina symptoms have not resolved after a total of three doses, the patient should be instructed to seek prompt medical attention.

Patients with rare hereditary problems of galactose intolerance, the Lapp lactase deficiency or glucose-galactose malabsorption should not take this medicine.

4.5 Drugs interactions

Consistent with its known effects on the nitric oxide/cyclic guanosine monophosphate (cGMP) pathway, phosphodiesterase type 5 inhibitors (e.g. sildenafil, vardenafil and tadalafil) have been shown to potentiate the hypotensive effects of nitrates, and coadministration with glyceryl trinitrate is therefore contraindicated (See section 4.3).

Treatment with other agents with hypotensive effects (e.g. vasodilators, antihypertensives, betablockers, calcium channel blockers and neuroleptics, tricyclic antidepressants and sapropterin) may potentiate the hypotensive effect of glyceryl trinitrate. In addition to these agents, the risk of hypotension and syncope with use of glyceryl trinitrate may be enhanced by alcohol.

N-acetylcysteine may potentiate the vasodilator effects of glyceryl trinitrate.

The possibility of tolerance to the effects of glyceryl trinitrate should be considered when used in conjunction with long-acting nitrate preparations.

There is evidence that systemic nitrates may interfere with the anticoagulant effects of heparin. Early and frequent monitoring of anticoagulation is recommended when systemic nitrates and heparin are used in combination.

There is a potential for drugs that cause dry mouth (eg anticholinergic, antimuscarinics, tricyclic antidepressants) to reduce the effectiveness of sublingual nitrates.

An enhanced hypotensive effect with sublingual apomorphine may occur as a result of concomitant administration with glyceryl trinitrate.

Ergot alkaloids may oppose the coronary vasodilatation of nitrates. Ergot alkaloids can precipitate angina and glyceryl trinitrate can reduce the first pass hepatic metabolism of dihydroergotamine.

4.6 Use in special populations (such as pregnant women, lactating women, paediatric patients, geriatric patients etc.)

Pregnancy

Reported Animal studies did not indicate harmful effects with respect to pregnancy, embryofoetal development, parturition or postnatal development. However, the relevance of these animal findings to man is unknown. The administration of glyceryl trinitrate during pregnancy should only be considered if the expected benefit to the mother is greater than any possible risk to the foetus.

Breast-feeding

It is unknown if glyceryl trinitrate or its metabolites are excreted in human milk. A risk to the suckling child cannot be excluded. A decision must be made whether to discontinue/abstain from breast-feeding or to discontinue/abstain from glyceryl trinitrate therapy taking into account the benefit of breast-feeding for the child and the benefit of therapy for the woman.

Fertility

Animal studies did not indicate harmful effects with respect to fertility. However, the relevance of these animal findings to man is unknown.

4.7 Effects on ability to drive and use machines

As Glyceryl trinitrate can cause dizziness patients should make sure they are not affected before driving or operating machinery. This effect appears to be accentuated by alcohol.

4.8 Undesirable effects

System Organ Class	Very Common (≥ 1/10)	Common (≥ 1/100 < 1/10)	Uncommon (≥ 1/1,000 < 1/100)	Very Rare (< 1/10,000)	Frequency not known (cannot be estimated from the available data)
Blood and lymphatic system disorders				Methaemogl obinaemia	
Psychiatric disorder				Restlessness	
Nervous system disorders	Throbbing headache**	Vertigo** , Dizziness **, Drowsine ss	Syncope	Cerebral ischaemia	

Eye disorders					Increased ocular pressure
Cardiac disorders	Tachycard ia		Enhanced angina, Pectoris symptoms , Bradycard ia, Cyanosis		Hypoxaemi a, palpitations
Vascular disorders	Orthostati c hypertensi on*,	Facial flushing, Circulat ory collapse			
Gastrointesti nal disorders		Nausea, Vomitin g		Heartburn, Halitosis	
Respiratory, thorasic and mediastinal disorders				Impairment of respiration	
Skin and subcutaneous tissue disorders			Allergic skin reactions	Exfoliative dermatitis, Drug rash	
General disorders and administratio n site complication s	Asthenia	Localise d burning sensatio n, tongue blisters			Weakness
Investigation s	Blood pressure decreased *				

^{*} Particularly upon initiation of therapy and following an increase in dose.

Headache and dizziness, persisting after relief of angina may be minimised by removing the glyceryl trinitrate tablet before it has completely dissolved. Glyceryl trinitrate-induced hypotension may cause cerebral ischaemia.

Large dose of glyceryl trinitrate may cause vomiting, cyanosis, restlessness, methaemoglobinaemia and impairment of respiration.

During treatment with glyceryl trinitrate, temporary hypoxemia may occur due to a relative redistribution of the blood flow in hypoventilated alveolar areas.

Reporting of suspected adverse reactions

If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor, pharmacist or nurse. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. You can also report side effects directly via any point of contact of Torrent Pharma available at: https://torrentpharma.com/index.php/site/info/adverse_event_reporting

By reporting side effects, you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

4.9 Overdose

Symptoms and Signs

Signs and symptoms encountered with overdose are generally similar to those events reported during treatment use although the magnitude and/or severity of the reactions may be more pronounced (See section 4.8). At very high doses an increase in intracranial pressure with cerebral symptoms may occur. Additional gastrointestinal effects such as colicky pain and diarrhoea have also been reported.

Treatment

In the case of overdose, the patient's clinical status including vital signs and mental status should be assessed and supportive treatment of the cardiovascular and respiratory systems provided as clinically indicated or as recommended by the national poisons centre, where available.

In the event of mild hypotension, passive elevation of the patient's legs and/or lowering of the head may be effective.

Arterial blood gas estimation should be performed and if there is acidosis or the patient is clinically cyanosed, then severe methaemoglobinaemia must be assumed. Oxygen therapy should be given with 1 to 2 mg/kg bodyweight of i.v. Methylene Blue over five min unless the patient is known to have G-6-PD deficiency.

5 Pharmacological properties

5.1 Mechanism of Action

5.2 Pharmacodynamic properties

Pharmacotherapeutic group: vasodilators used in cardiac diseases; organic nitrates

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Glyceryl trinitrate is a vasodilator and is used for angina of effort. Vasodilation is achieved by the releasing of free redical nitric oxide which activates guanylate cyclase and increases synthesis of guanosine 3' and 5'-monophosphate with resultant effects on the phosphorylation of proteins in smooth muscle. If taken in excess, its vasodilatory effect can cause headache.

5.3 Pharmacokinetic properties

Glyceryl trinitrate is readily absorbed from the oral mucosa, but rapidly metabolised so that it only has a fleeting duration of action.

Glyceryl trinitrate is also readily absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract, but owing to extensive first-pass metabolism in the liver its bioavailability is reduced (short plasma half-life).

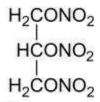
Glyceryl trinitrate is metabolised by hydrolysis to dinitrates and the mononitrate, which is the main urinary metabolite.6. Nonclinical properties

6.1 Animal toxicology or Pharmacology

There are no pre-clinical data of relevance to the prescriber which are additional to that already included in other sections of the SPC.

7. Description

Nitroglycerin is a solution of Propane-1,2,3-triol trinitrate in Ethanol(95 percent) having molecular formula of C₃H₅N₃O₉.



Molecular Formula: C₃H₅N₃O₉

Molecular Weight: 227.09

Product Description:

Hard gelatin, size '4', capsules with red cap and white body printed with 'VASOVIN XL 2.5' & Torrent logo (square emblem only) on the shell of capsules filled with white to off white pellets.

8. Pharmaceutical particulars

8.1 Incompatibilities

Not Applicable

8.2 Shelf-life

Do not use later than date of expiry.

8.3 Packaging information

VASOVIN-XL 2.5 is packed in HDPE Bottle of 25 Capsules

Vasovin XL 6.5 is available as 25 capsules in HDPE container

8.4 Storage and handing instructions

KEEP THE CONTAINER WELL CLOSED, IN A COOL DRY PLACE,

PROTECTED FROM LIGHT.

Keep out of reach of children.

9. Patient Counselling Information

Package leaflet: Information for the user

VASOVIN-XL

Timed Release Capsules of Nitroglycerin

Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start using this medicine because it contains important information for you.

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- If you have any further questions, ask your doctor or pharmacist.
- This medicine has been prescribed for you only. Do not pass it on to others. It may harm them, even if their signs of illness are the same as yours.
- If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor or pharmacist. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet.

What is in this leaflet

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- 9.2. What you need to know before you take VASOVIN-XL
- 9.3 How to take VASOVIN-XL
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9.1 What is VASOVIN-XL and what it is used for

Glyceryl Trinitrate belongs to a group of medicines called nitrate vasodilators. These medicines work by relaxing the blood vessels of the heart. This reduces the strain on the heart by making it easier to pump blood. Nitroglycerin Extended-Release Capsules are indicated for the prevention of angina pectoris due to coronary artery disease. The onset of action of oral nitroglycerin is not sufficiently rapid for this product to be useful in aborting an acute anginal episode.

9.2 What you need to know before you take VASOVIN-XL Do not take VASOVIN-XL

- are allergic to glyceryl trinitrate, nitrates or any of the ingredients of this medicine. An allergic reaction may include a rash, itching, difficulty breathing or swelling of the face, lips, throat or tongue.
- · have anaemia.
- have raised pressure in your head including that caused by an accident to your head or bleeding on the brain, causing painful eyes, changes in vision and a bad headache especially behind the eyes.
- have increased pressure in the eye (glaucoma).
- are taking sildenafil (Viagra) or similar medicines (such as tadalafil or vardenafil) used for the treatment of erection problems.
- suffer from a heart condition called hypertrophic obstructive cardiomyopathy.

Warnings and precautions

Talk to your doctor or pharmacist before taking Glyceryl Trinitrate if you have:

- severe liver or kidney problems
- an under active thyroid gland
- had a recent heart attack
- low body temperature (hypothermia)
- poor nutrition due to an unbalanced diet or digestion problems (malnutrition)
- abnormally low levels of oxygen in the blood (hypoxaemia)
- very low blood pressure, low blood volume or conditions that lower blood volume in the heart.
- any of the following heart conditions: narrowing of heart valves, inflammation of the heart, build up of fluid around the heart or heart failure, disease of the blood vessels supplying the brain (cerebrovascular disease).

Children and adolescents

Do not give this medicine to children.

Other medicines and VASOVIN-XL

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking, have recently taken or might take any other medicines. if you are taking, have recently taken or might take any other medicines, including medicines obtained without a prescription. Especially:

- sildenafil (Viagra), tadalafil (Cialis) or vardenafil (Levitra) used to treat erection problems
- heparin used to thin the blood
- n-acetylcysteine used in paracetamol overdose
- long acting nitrates (isosorbide dinitrate, isosorbide mononitrate)
- medicines used to treat high blood pressure
- medicines that can cause dry mouth (amitriptyline, disopyramide, atropine and propantheline, tricyclic antidepressants)
- apomorphine used to treat Parkinson's disease.
- medicines used to treat migraine (ergot alkaloids).

Pregnancy, breast-feeding and fertility

If you are pregnant or breast-feeding, think you may be pregnant or are planning to have a baby, ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking this medicine.

Driving and using machines

As glyceryl trinitrate can cause dizziness, you should make sure you are not affected before driving or operating machinery, especially if taken with alcohol.

Glyceryl Trinitrate tablets with alcohol

You are advised not to drink alcohol with Glyceryl Trinitrate tablets, as some of the effects of this medicine are increased.

9.3 How to take VASOVIN-XL

Always take this medicine exactly as your doctor or pharmacist has told you. Check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure.

Do not swallow the tablets.

If you take more VASOVIN-XL than you should:

If you (or someone else) swallow a lot of tablets at the same time, or you think a child may have swallowed any, contact your nearest hospital casualty department or tell your doctor immediately. Symptoms of an overdose include being sick, restlessness, low blood pressure, fainting, blueness of the skin, methaemoglobin in the blood, breathing difficulties, lack of oxygen in tissues, slow heart beat and mental illness.

Older people: When taking to prevent or stop angina pectoris, take the tablets sat down to reduce possible fainting or low blood pressure. Your doctor will change the dose to suit your condition. If you notice that your tablets are not working as well at relieving pain as they have done, contact your pharmacist or doctor. If you need more tablets than before to help, tell the doctor who will advise what to do.

9.4 Possible side effects

Like all medicines, this medicine can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

If any of the following serious side effects happen, stop taking the medicine and tell your doctor immediately or go to your nearest hospital:

Worsening of angina symptoms, chest pains, hypoxaemia (difficulty breathing, increased rate of breathing), methaemoglobinaemia (breathing problems, headache, tiredness), difficulty breathing, blue colouring of the lips, fingers or toes (cyanosis), rapid (tachycardia) or slowed (bradycardia) heartbeat, blindness in one eye, cerebral ischaemia which may cause weakness in one arm or leg, or weakness in one entire side of the body, difficulty speaking, slurred speech, loss of coordination, loss of consciousness, allergic skin reactions.

Other side effects:

Very common (may affect more than 1 in 10 people)

• throbbing headache.

Common (may affect up to 1 in 10 people)

- spinning sensation, fall in blood pressure when seated or standing up, dizziness, drowsiness
- lack of energy.

Uncommon (may affect up to 1 in 100 people)

- fainting
- facial flushing
- feeling or being sick
- localised burning sensation
- tongue blistering
- circulatory collapse.

Very rare (may affect up to 1 in 10,000 people)

- restlessness
- heartburn
- bad breath, itchy, flaky or red skin, skin rash.

Not known (frequency cannot be estimated from the available data)

- pain around the eye, changes in vision
- palpitations
- weakness

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9.5 How to store VASOVIN-XL

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PROTECTED FROM LIGHT.

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9.6 Contents of the pack and other information

The active substance in VASOVIN-XL is Nitroglycerin with available strength of 2.5 and 6.5 mg.

VASOVIN-XL 2.5 is packed in HDPE Bottle of 25 Capsules.

Vasovin XL 6.5 is available as 25 capsules in HDPE container.

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