Information For the User Azathioprine 50mg

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(Azathioprine 50mg Tablet)

Composition:

Each tablet contains:

• Azathioprine I.P. 50mg

Description:

Azathon Tablet contains Azathioprine 50mg, an immunosuppressant used to prevent organ rejection in transplant patients and to manage autoimmune disorders such as rheumatoid arthritis, inflammatory bowel disease (IBD), and systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE).

Pharmacological Action:

Azathioprine is a **purine synthesis inhibitor** that suppresses the immune system by:

- Inhibiting DNA synthesis, reducing the proliferation of immune cells
- Lowering immune response in autoimmune diseases and transplant rejection

Indications:

Azathon Tablet is used for:

- Prevention of organ transplant rejection (Kidney, Liver, Heart)
- Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA)
- Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) Crohn's Disease, Ulcerative Colitis
- Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE)
- Pemphigus Vulgaris & Other Autoimmune Skin Disorders
- Myasthenia Gravis
- Autoimmune Hepatitis

Dosage & Administration:

- Transplant Patients: 1-5 mg/kg/day, adjusted as per response
- Autoimmune Disorders: 1-3 mg/kg/day
- Take with food to reduce stomach upset
- Regular **blood monitoring** is required

Contraindications:

- **Hypersensitivity** to Azathioprine
- Severe liver or bone marrow dysfunction
- Pregnancy & lactation (unless essential)
- Active infections

Warnings & Precautions:

- Bone Marrow Suppression: Can cause low WBC, RBC, and platelets
- Infection Risk: Avoid contact with sick individuals
- Hepatotoxicity: Regular liver function tests (LFTs) recommended
- Cancer Risk: Long-term use may increase risk of lymphoma & skin cancer
- TPMT Deficiency: Dose adjustment required in patients with Thiopurine Methyltransferase (TPMT) deficiency

Side Effects:

- Common: Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, loss of appetite
- Serious: Bone marrow suppression, liver toxicity, increased infection risk

Drug Interactions:

- Allopurinol: Increases Azathioprine toxicity (reduce dose)
- ACE Inhibitors: Increased risk of low WBC (leukopenia)
- Warfarin: Reduced effectiveness

Storage Conditions:

- Store at room temperature (below 30°C)
- Keep away from moisture & direct sunlight
- Keep out of reach of **children**

Conclusion:

Azathon Tablet (Azathioprine 50mg) is a potent **immunosuppressant** used in **organ transplantation** and **autoimmune diseases**. Regular **blood monitoring** is essential to avoid **bone marrow suppression** and **hepatotoxicity**.

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