# **Plomalix Capsule**

# Polmacoxib (2mg) Capsule

# **Description**

Polmacoxib is a selective cyclooxygenase-2 (COX-2) inhibitor, used primarily for the relief of pain and inflammation associated with conditions such as osteoarthritis and rheumatoid arthritis. It works by blocking the enzyme COX-2, which is responsible for producing inflammatory chemicals in the body, thereby reducing inflammation, swelling, and pain. Polmacoxib 2mg Capsule provides effective management of these conditions, offering a better safety profile compared to traditional nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs), particularly with regard to gastrointestinal side effects.

# Composition

# **Each capsule contains:**

• Polmacoxib – 2mg

## **Pharmacological Action**

Polmacoxib selectively inhibits COX-2, an enzyme that is involved in the production of prostaglandins, which are chemical mediators of pain and inflammation. Unlike non-selective NSAIDs, which inhibit both COX-1 and COX-2 enzymes, Polmacoxib's selective inhibition reduces the risk of gastrointestinal adverse effects such as ulcers and bleeding. By targeting COX-2, Polmacoxib effectively reduces pain, swelling, and fever associated with inflammatory conditions while maintaining a better gastrointestinal safety profile.

## **Indications**

# Polmacoxib (2mg) is indicated for:

- Osteoarthritis: To manage pain and inflammation associated with degenerative joint disease.
- Rheumatoid Arthritis: To reduce inflammation and improve joint function in individuals with rheumatoid arthritis.
- Acute Pain: For the short-term treatment of acute pain, including pain following surgery or injury.
- Chronic Inflammatory Conditions: To manage long-term pain and inflammation associated with inflammatory conditions.

## **Dosage and Administration**

#### • Adults:

- The typical starting dose is 1 capsule (2mg) once daily.
- The dose may be adjusted by the healthcare provider based on the severity of the condition and individual patient response.
- Do not exceed 2mg per day unless otherwise prescribed by a healthcare provider.

#### • Children:

 This product is not typically recommended for children under the age of 18.

## • Administration:

- The capsule should be taken with or without food. It should be swallowed whole with a full glass of water.
- Avoid crushing or chewing the capsule.

## Contraindications

- Hypersensitivity: Known allergy to Polmacoxib or any component of the formulation.
- Active Peptic Ulcer Disease: Individuals with active ulcers or gastrointestinal bleeding should not use Polmacoxib.
- Severe Renal Impairment: Caution is advised in patients with significant kidney dysfunction.
- Pregnancy and Lactation: Polmacoxib should be used in pregnancy or breastfeeding only if absolutely necessary and prescribed by a healthcare provider, especially during the third trimester due to potential effects on fetal development and milk excretion.

# **Warnings and Precautions**

- Cardiovascular Risk: Like other COX-2 inhibitors, Polmacoxib may increase the risk of serious cardiovascular events such as heart attack, stroke, and blood clots. Use with caution in patients with a history of cardiovascular disease, hypertension, or those at risk for heart disease.
- Gastrointestinal Risk: Although selective COX-2 inhibitors have a lower risk of gastrointestinal bleeding compared to traditional NSAIDs, they may still cause stomach irritation or ulcers. Patients should be monitored for gastrointestinal symptoms.
- Renal and Hepatic Function: Caution is advised in patients with renal or liver impairment, and renal function should be monitored during prolonged use.
- Elderly Population: Older adults may be more sensitive to the effects of this drug, particularly with regard to kidney function, cardiovascular health, and gastrointestinal issues.

- Nausea, abdominal pain, or indigestion
- o Diarrhea or constipation
- Headache or dizziness
- Swelling or edema (due to fluid retention)
- Serious Side Effects (rare):
  - Cardiovascular Events: Chest pain, shortness of breath, or signs of heart attack or stroke.
  - Gastrointestinal Bleeding: Symptoms like black stools, vomiting blood, or severe stomach pain.
  - Renal Dysfunction: Decreased urine output, swelling of the legs or ankles, and unusual fatigue.
  - Severe Allergic Reactions: Rash, itching, or swelling, especially around the face, mouth, or throat.

If any of the above serious side effects occur, immediately discontinue the medication and seek medical attention.

## **Drug Interactions**

- Antihypertensive Drugs: Polmacoxib may reduce the effectiveness of certain blood pressure medications such as ACE inhibitors, angiotensin receptor blockers (ARBs), and diuretics.
- Other NSAIDs: Concurrent use with other NSAIDs or blood thinners (e.g., warfarin) may increase the risk of bleeding or other adverse effects.
- Lithium: Polmacoxib may increase the levels of lithium in the blood, leading to lithium toxicity.
- Diuretics and Renal Function: Patients taking diuretics or those with kidney impairment should be monitored closely.

## **Side Effects**

Common Side Effects:

# **Storage Instructions**

• Store at room temperature, away from moisture and direct sunlight.

- Keep out of reach of children.
- Do not use beyond the expiration date mentioned on the label.

## **Presentation**

- Form: Capsule
- Pack Size: Available in blister packs of 10, 20, or 30 capsules.

#### **Conclusion**

Polmacoxib (2mg) Capsule is an effective and safer alternative for the management of pain and inflammation related to osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, and acute pain conditions. By selectively inhibiting COX-2, Polmacoxib provides targeted relief while minimizing gastrointestinal side effects, offering a well-tolerated option for long-term use. Always follow the prescribed dosage and consult a healthcare provider if you have any underlying medical conditions or are taking other medications to ensure safe use.

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