

定喘樂® 單一劑量吸入液 0.5毫克/2毫升 Atrovent® Nebuliser Solution 0.5 mg/2 ml in Unit Dose Vials



衛署藥輸字第018863號

成分
每單一劑量吸入液(2毫升)含 (8r)-3α-hydroxy-8-isopropyl-1αH,5αH-tropanium bromide (±)-tropate monohydrate (= ipratropium bromide) 522 mcg 相當於 ipratropium bromide anhydrous 500 mcg
賦形劑
sodium chloride, hydrochloric acid, purified water

性質
ATROVENT (ipratropium bromide) 為四級銨鹽化合物，具有抗乙醯膽鹼的性質 (anticholinergic)，能消除副交感神經作用 (parasympatholytic)。臨床前的研究顯示 ATROVENT 能拮抗迷走神經所釋出之傳遞物質”乙醯膽鹼” (acetylcholine) 的作用而抑制迷走神經所調節的反射作用。乙醯膽鹼能與位於支氣管平滑肌的毒蕈鹼性接受體 (muscarinic receptor) 作用，而增加鈣離子 (Ca⁺⁺) 的濃度，抗膽鹼激素的藥物則可抑制此現象。鈣離子 (Ca⁺⁺) 的釋放係由 IP₃ (肌醇三磷酸 [inositol triphosphate]) 與 DAG (二醯基甘油 [diacylglycerol]) 等第二傳訊物質 (second messenger) 所媒介。吸入 ATROVENT (ipratropium bromide) 之後產生的支氣管擴張作用，主要局限於肺部，而非全身性作用。針對慢性阻塞性肺疾 (慢性支氣管炎及肺氣腫) 併發支氣管痙攣之病人的為期八十五-九十天的有對照組的研究，顯示本藥能在

15分鐘內顯著改善肺功能，在1至2小時內可達最大效應，且療效能持續達4-6小時。臨床前及臨床的研究證實 ATROVENT (ipratropium bromide) 不會影響呼吸道黏膜之分泌、黏膜纖毛之清潔作用或氣體交換。在對成人的研究中，已顯示 ATROVENT 之支氣管擴張作用，可治療氣喘所併發之急性支氣管痙攣。在這些研究，ATROVENT 多半與吸入性β作用劑併用。

藥物動力學
ATROVENT 的療效是直接局部作用於呼吸道所產生。支氣管擴張作用之時間與全身性作用藥動學並非同時。依藥物配方與吸入技術的不同，吸入後總劑量的10% - 30% 會分布於肺中，大部分藥物會經口吞入並通過腸胃道。分布於肺中的藥物會很快進入循環系統(數分鐘內)。0-24小時原型化合物的累積腎臟排除量約佔靜脈注射劑量的46%，若為口服劑量則佔1%以下，吸入劑量則約為3至13%。根據這些數據估計，口服與吸入的 ipratropium bromide，其全身總生體可用率分別為2%與7至28%。據此考量，經口吞入的 ipratropium bromide 對全身性暴露量無顯著影響。由靜脈注射後之血漿中濃度，可用來計算 ipratropium 分佈之動力學數據。可觀察到 ipratropium 之血漿濃度

會出現快速的雙相衰減 (a rapid biphasic decline)，穩定狀態時的擬似分布體積 (V_{dss}) 約為176 L (≈2.4 L/kg)。本藥與血漿蛋白的結合率很低(少於20%)，因 ipratropium 離子具有四級銨結構，所以 ipratropium 離子無法通過腦血管障壁。末相排除半衰期約為1.6小時，ipratropium 的全部廓清率為2.3 L/min，腎廓清率為0.9 L/min。靜脈注射之後約60%之劑量會被代謝，主要經結合作用代謝 (40%)。在一項排泄平衡研究中，靜脈注射給藥之後，放射標示相關藥品 (包括原型化合物與所有代謝物) 的累積腎臟排泄量(6天)佔72.1%，口服給藥為9.3%，吸入給藥則為3.2%。靜脈注射給藥之後，經糞便排泄的放射活性總量佔6.3%，口服藥物為88.5%，吸入給藥則為69.4%。靜脈注射給藥之後，放射標示相關藥品主要經由腎臟排泄。放射標示相關藥品(原型化合物與代謝物)的排除半衰期為。3.6小時尿中所含的主要代謝物與毒蕈鹼接受體 (muscarinic receptor) 的結合能力極低，已無藥效。

適應症
慢性阻塞性支氣管炎，支氣管氣喘。

用量
本藥須由醫師處方使用。劑量應調整以適合個人需要，病人應於醫師監督下接受治療。除非醫師另有處方，否則以下是推薦劑量：
維持性治療：
成人(包括年長者)與12歲以上的青少年：每次1單一劑量小瓶，每天3至4次。
急性發作：
成人(包括年長者)與12歲以上的青少年：1單一劑量小瓶，劑量可重複至病人症狀穩定。每單一劑量之間隔時間由醫師決定。

ATROVENT 可與吸入性β作用劑併用。每1毫升的單一劑量可用生理食鹽水稀釋至2-4毫升或與 BEROTEC 吸入溶液併用。成人與12歲以上之兒童，若一天劑量超過2mg時，應在醫師的監視下使用。無論是急性或維持治療，建議不要超過每日推薦劑量。若治療不見明顯改善或病人情況更糟時，應請教醫師，決定一個新的治療計畫。萬一發生急性或急性呼吸困難時應立即求診。定喘樂吸入液可經由市面上的噴霧裝置投與。如用 wall oxygen 時，溶液流速最好是6-8公升/分鐘。ATROVENT 吸入液可同時與祛痰劑 MUCOSOLVAN 吸入液、BISOLVON 吸入液及 BEROTEC 吸入液使用。ATROVENT 單一劑量吸入液不可與 disodium cromoglycate 吸入液加在相同的噴霧裝置內使用。

用法
請詳細閱讀使用說明書，以確保用藥方法正確。單一劑量吸入液僅能放入適當的噴霧裝置供吸入使用，不能口服或注射。



1. 準備好噴霧器，依照藥廠或醫師指示加入藥品。



2. 自長排中撕離一支塑膠小瓶。(圖一)



3. 扭轉小瓶頭部將小瓶打開。(圖二)



4. 擠壓塑膠小瓶，將溶液擠入噴霧器藥槽中。(圖三)



5. 依照指示裝置組合及使用噴霧器。



6. 使用噴霧器後，依其說明指示丟棄殘留在噴霧器藥槽中的溶液，並清洗乾淨。

由於單一劑量吸入液不含保存劑，打開後應立即使用，每次投與均應使用新的小瓶，以免微生物污染。部份使用過、已開過的或受損的單一劑量吸入劑應丟棄。

禁忌症
已知對阿托品或本劑中其他成分有過敏反應者，忌用本藥。

特別注意
狹角性青光眼患者(narrow-angle glaucoma)或已有尿道受阻(例如前列腺肥大者(prostatic hyperplasia)或膀胱頸部阻塞者(bladder-neck obstruction))，應小心使用 ATROVENT。患有囊性纖維變性(cystic fibrosis)的病人，使用本藥較易出現胃腸運動障礙。使用 ATROVENT 後，可能發生立即性過敏反應，在極少數之病例曾出現皮疹、蕁麻疹、血管性水腫、口咽部水腫、支氣管痙攣及急性過敏性反應。
眼睛的併發症：
曾有零星之報告當僅含 ipratropium bromide 之噴霧劑或合併有腎上腺素β₂興奮劑 (adrenergic β₂-agonist) 之噴霧劑噴到眼睛時，發生眼部之併發症(如散瞳、眼球內壓增加、狹角性青光眼、眼睛疼痛)。眼睛疼痛或不適、視力模糊、虹暈幻視(visual halos)或有色影像伴隨結膜充血的紅眼睛及角膜水腫等，可能是急性狹角性青光眼的徵兆。如出現前述症狀時，應給予縮瞳滴劑並立即尋求專家之建議。

必須指示病人正確使用 ATROVENT 吸入液。使用時應謹慎，避免溶液誤進眼內。應告訴病人經由口含器使用噴霧吸入液。萬一無口含器，應使用適合的面罩。對容易罹患青光眼者應特別警告他們必須保護他們的眼睛。

藥物交互作用
β-腎上腺素刺激劑與黃嘌呤類劑可能增加 ATROVENT 之支氣管擴張效果。藥物不良反應已從臨床試驗與上市後藥物安全監測所取得的資料確認。臨床試驗中最常發生的副作用為頭痛、喉嚨刺激、咳嗽、口乾、腸胃道蠕動失調(包括便秘、腹瀉及嘔吐)、噁心與暈眩。

生育力、懷孕與哺乳
人類懷孕期間使用 ATROVENT 的安全性仍未建立。已確定或可能懷孕的病患使用 ATROVENT 時，需考量使用益處及其對未出生嬰兒可能造成的損害。臨床前研究顯示，由口腔或鼻內吸入高於人類推薦劑量的本藥時，並未發現本藥具有胚胎毒性或致畸性。ATROVENT 尚未知是否會進入乳汁，雖然脂不溶性的四級銨陽離子會從乳汁分泌，但 ATROVENT 不會在嬰兒體內達到具有重要意義的濃度，特別是當採噴霧劑方式給藥時亦如此。然而因許多藥物會分泌至乳汁中，故建議當 ATROVENT 使用於授乳婦女時應小心。

臨床前研究顯示，ipratropium bromide 對生育力無不良影響(請參閱“毒物學”)。目前 ipratropium bromide 尚無與生育力有關的臨床資料。

對開車與機器操作能力的影響
目前尚未針對 ipratropium bromide 是否會影響開車與機器操作的能力進行研究。不過，應告知病患，他們可能於接受 ATROVENT 治療期間出現暈眩、眼睛調節異常、散瞳與視力模糊等不良副作用。因此，開車與機器操作時應特別謹慎。病患若發生上述副作用，務必避免開車或機器操作等有潛在危險性的工作。

副作用
ATROVENT 的許多不良副作用均

可歸因於其抗乙醯膽鹼的性質。與所有吸入性療法相同，ATROVENT 亦可能出現局部刺激症狀。藥物不良反應已從臨床試驗與上市後藥物安全監測所取得的資料確認。臨床試驗中最常發生的副作用為頭痛、喉嚨刺激、咳嗽、口乾、腸胃道蠕動失調(包括便秘、腹瀉及嘔吐)、噁心與暈眩。

免疫系統異常
-過敏
-類過敏反應

神經系統異常
-頭痛
-暈眩

眼睛異常
-視力模糊
-散瞳
-眼球內壓增加
-青光眼
-眼睛疼痛
-虹視(halo vision)
-結膜充血
-角膜水腫
-眼睛調節異常

心臟異常
-心悸
-上心室性心博過速
-心房顫動
-心博加速

呼吸、胸部與縱隔膜異常
-喉嚨刺激
-咳嗽
-支氣管痙攣
-逆行性支氣管痙攣 (bronchospasm paradoxical)
-喉部痙攣
-咽部水腫
-喉嚨乾

腸胃異常
-口乾
-噁心

-腸胃道蠕動失調
-腹瀉
-便秘
-嘔吐
-胃炎
-口腔水腫

皮膚與皮下組織異常
-皮疹
-搔癢症
-血管性水腫
-蕁麻疹

腎臟與尿道異常
-尿液滯留

過量
未曾有過量特定的症狀發生，由於 ATROVENT 有寬廣的治療範圍及其為局部作用的吸入溶液，預期不會有嚴重的抗膽鹼激素症狀。輕微的抗膽鹼激素作用包括口乾，視覺調節異常及心跳過速可能發生。

毒物學
Ipratropium bromide 的局部與全身性耐受性已在數種動物利用各種投藥途徑廣泛研究。曾在數種齧齒類與非齧齒類動物評估本藥之吸入、口服與靜脈注射的急性毒性。吸入使用，雄性天竺鼠之最低致死劑量為199 mg/kg，在大鼠，投與技術上能提供的最高劑量(0.05 mg/kg 4小時後，或每劑量含0.02 mg之 ipratropium bromide 160定劑量)後，未觀察到死亡的情況。口服及靜脈給藥的LD₅₀比吸入之最低致死量要高出許多。在小鼠、大鼠與兔子的口服LD₅₀分別為1585、1925與1920 mg/kg。在小鼠、大鼠與兔子的靜脈注射LD₅₀則分別為13.6、15.8與約18.2 mg/kg。臨床病徵包括散瞳、口腔黏膜乾燥、呼吸困難、顫抖、痙攣與/或心搏過速。重複劑量毒性研究已經完成於老鼠、兔子、狗與恆河猴。老鼠、

狗與恆河猴之吸入投與的研究達6個月，沒有不良反應發生之劑量 (NOAEL) 分別為0.38 mg/kg/day，0.18 mg/kg/day與0.8 mg/kg/day。在狗曾出現口腔黏膜乾燥與心搏過速的副作用。在支氣管肺部系統或任何其他器官，均未觀察到與本藥有關的組織病理性病變。老鼠口服18個月其沒有不良反應的劑量為0.5 mg/kg/day。使用其他配方(鼻內吸入劑型，以HFA 134a作為推進劑及含乳糖粉末之配方)對大鼠及狗分別進行達6個月與3個月的重複劑量毒性研究顯示，沒有任何 ipratropium bromide 新增的毒性資料。

一針對狗所作長達6個月，以鼻內投藥方式的研究顯示，無不良副作用劑量高於0.2 mg/kg/day，此結果證實了從前所作為期13週鼻內投藥的研究結果。以吸入方式給予大鼠 ipratropium bromide 水性溶液(0.05 mg/kg) (一次，投與時間超過4小時)，其局部的耐受性佳。重複劑量毒性研究亦顯示， ipratropium bromide 的局部耐受性佳。在天竺鼠並未出現主動性過敏和被動性皮膚的過敏。在體外(Ames檢測法)與體內(微核檢測法[micronucleus test]、小鼠之顯性致死檢測法[dominant lethal test]、中國大頰鼠骨髓細胞進行的細胞遺傳學檢測法)研究，均未發現遺傳毒性證據。大鼠與老鼠長期的研究中並未顯示有發生惡性腫瘤或癌症之作用。曾對小鼠、大鼠和兔子進行有關 ipratropium bromide 對生育能力、胚胎及胎兒之毒性、出生前後及出生後之發育(peri-/postnatal development)等的研究。

高口服劑量(大鼠為1000 mg/kg/day，兔子為125 mg/kg/day) 在兩種動物均具有母體毒性，在大鼠亦具有胚胎/胎兒毒性，胎兒的體重下降，但未觀察到與治

療有關的畸形發生。

技術上可行之定量噴霧劑之最大吸入劑量老鼠為1.5mg/kg/day與兔子1.8 mg/kg/day，也未有生殖的不良反應發生。
包裝
每一長排含10支單一劑量吸入液小瓶
100支以下盒裝

請存於避光30°C以下及兒童伸手不及處。

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0.5mg/2ml in Unit-Dose Vials

Composition

1 unit dose vial (1 or 2 ml) solution for inhalation contains 522 mcg (8r)-3α-hydroxy-8-isopropyl-1αH,5αH-tropanium bromide (±)-tropate monohydrate (= Ipratropium bromide) corresponding to 500 mcg ipratropium bromide anhydrous
Excipients
sodium chloride, hydrochloric acid, purified water

Pharmacological properties

ATROVENT (ipratropium bromide) is a quaternary ammonium compound with anticholinergic (parasympatholytic) properties. In preclinical studies, it appears to inhibit vagally mediated reflexes by antagonising the action of acetylcholine, the transmitter agent released from the vagus nerve. Anticholinergics prevent the increase in intracellular concentration of Ca⁺⁺ which is caused by interaction of acetylcholine with the muscarinic receptor on bronchial smooth muscle.

Ca⁺⁺ release is mediated by the second messenger system consisting of IP3 (inositol triphosphate) and DAG (diacylglycerol). The bronchodilation following inhalation of ATROVENT (ipratropium bromide) is primarily local and site specific to the lung and not systemic in nature. In controlled 85 – 90 day studies in patients with bronchospasm associated with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (chronic bronchitis and emphysema) significant improvements in pulmonary function occurred within 15 minutes, reached a peak in 1 – 2 hours, and persisted up to 4 – 6 hours.

Preclinical and clinical evidence suggest no deleterious effect of ATROVENT (ipratropium bromide) on airway mucous secretion, mucociliary clearance or gas exchange.

The bronchodilator effect of ATROVENT in the treatment of acute bronchospasm associated with asthma has been shown in studies in adults. In most of these studies ATROVENT was administered in combination with an inhaled beta-agonist.

Pharmacokinetics

The therapeutic effect of ATROVENT is produced by a local action in the airways. Time courses of bronchodilation and systemic pharmacokinetics do not run in parallel.

Following inhalation 10 to 30% of a dose is generally deposited in lungs, depending on the formulation and inhalation technique. The major part of the dose is swallowed and passes the gastro-intestinal tract.

The portion of the dose deposited in the lungs reaches the circulation rapidly (within minutes).

Cumulative renal excretion (0 – 24 hrs) of parent compound is approximated to 46% of an intravenously administered dose, below 1% of an oral dose and approximately 3 to 13% of an inhaled dose. Based on these data the total systemic bioavailability of oral and inhaled doses of ipratropium bromide is estimated at 2% and 7 to 28% respectively. Taking this into account, swallowed dose portions of ipratropium bromide do not relevantly contribute to systemic exposure.

Kinetic parameters describing the disposition of ipratropium were

calculated from plasma concentrations after i.v. administration.

A rapid biphasic decline in plasma concentrations is observed. The apparent volume of distribution at steady-state (Vdss) is approximately 176 L (= 2.4 L/kg). The drug is minimally (less than 20%) bound to plasma proteins. The quarternary amine ipratropium ion does not cross the blood-brain barrier.

The half-life of the terminal elimination phase is approximately 1.6 hours. Ipratropium has a total clearance of 2.3 L/min and a renal clearance of 0.9 L/min. After intravenous administration approximately 60% of a dose is metabolised, probably the major portion in the liver by oxidation.

In an excretion balance study cumulative renal excretion (6 days) of drug-related radioactivity (including parent compound and all metabolites) accounted for 72.1% after intravenous administration, 9.3% after oral administration and 3.2% after inhalation. Total radioactivity excreted via the faeces was 6.3% following intravenous application, 88.5% following oral dosing and 69.4% after inhalation. Regarding the excretion of drug-related radioactivity after intravenous administration, the main excretion occurs via the kidneys. The half-life for elimination of drug-related radioactivity (parent compound and metabolites) is 3.6 hours. The main urinary metabolites bind poorly to the muscarinic receptor and have to be regarded as ineffective.

Indications

Chronic obstructive bronchitis and asthma

Dosage

The dosage should be adapted to the individual requirements and the patients should be kept under medical supervision during treatment. Unless otherwise prescribed, the following doses are recommended:

Maintenance treatment:

Adults (including elderly) and adolescents over 12 years of age:

1 unit dose vial (UDV) 3 to 4 times daily.

Acute attacks:

Adults (including elderly) and adolescents over 12 years of age:

1 unit dose vial (UDV); repeated doses can be administered until the patient is stable.

The time interval between the doses may be determined by the physician. ATROVENT can be administered combined with an inhaled beta-agonist. The unit dose vials of 1 ml are to be diluted with physiological saline up to a final volume of 2 – 4 ml or may be combined with BEROTEC solution for inhalation.

Daily doses exceeding 2 mg in adults and children over 12 years of age should be given under medical supervision.

It is advisable not to exceed the recommended daily dose during either acute or maintenance treatment.

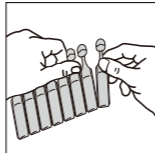
If therapy does not produce a significant improvement or if the patient's condition gets worse, medical advice must be sought in order to determine a new plan of treatment. In the case of acute or rapidly worsening dyspnoea (difficulty in breathing) a doctor should be consulted immediately.



ATROVENT solution for inhalation can be administered using a range of commercially available nebulising devices. Where wall oxygen is available the solution is best administered at a flow rate of 6 – 8 litres per minute. ATROVENT solution for inhalation is suitable for concurrent inhalation with the secretomucolytics MUCOSOLVAN solution for inhalation and BISOLVON solution for inhalation, and BEROTEC solutions for inhalation. ATROVENT UDV's and disodium cromoglycate inhalation solutions should not be administered simultaneously in the same nebuliser.

Administration

Please read the instructions for use carefully, to ensure correct administration. The unit dose vials are intended only for inhalation with suitable nebulising devices and should not be taken orally or administered parenterally.



1. Prepare the nebuliser for filling, according to the instructions provided by the manufacturer or doctor.

2. Tear one unit dose vial from the strip.



3. Open the unit dose vial by firmly twisting the top.

4. Squeeze the content of the unit dose vial into the nebuliser reservoir.



5. Assemble the nebuliser and use as directed.
6. After use throw away any solution left in the reservoir and clean the nebuliser, following the manufacturer's instructions.

Since the unit dose vials contain no preservative, it is important that the contents are used soon after opening and that a fresh vial is used for each administration to avoid microbial contamination. Partly used, opened or damaged unit dose vials should be discarded.

Contraindications

ATROVENT is contraindicated in patients with known hypersensitivity to atropine or its derivatives or to any other component of the product.

Special warnings and precautions

ATROVENT should be used with caution in patients predisposed to narrow-angle glaucoma, or with pre-existing urinary outflow tract obstruction (e.g. prostatic hyperplasia or bladder-neck obstruction). Patients with cystic fibrosis may be more prone to gastro-intestinal motility disturbances.

Immediate hypersensitivity reactions may occur after administration of ATROVENT, as demonstrated by rare cases of rash, urticaria, angio-oedema, oropharyngeal oedema, bronchospasm, and anaphylaxis.

Ocular complications

There have been isolated reports of ocular complications (i.e. mydriasis, increased intraocular pressure, narrow-angle glaucoma, eye pain) when aerosolised ipratropium bromide either alone or in combination with an adrenergic beta₂-agonist, has come into contact with the eyes.

Eye pain or discomfort, blurred vision, visual halos or coloured images in association with red eyes from conjunctival congestion and corneal oedema may be signs of acute narrow-angle glaucoma. Should any combination of these symptoms develop, treatment with miotic drops should be initiated and specialist advice should be sought immediately. Patients must be instructed in the correct administration of ATROVENT solution for inhalation. Care must be taken not to allow the solution or mist into the eyes. It is recommended that the nebulised solution is administered via a mouth piece. If this is not available and a nebuliser mask is used, it must fit properly. Patients who may be predisposed to glaucoma should be warned specifically to protect their eyes.

Interactions

Beta-adrenergics and xanthine preparations may intensify the bronchodilator effect.

The risk of acute glaucoma in patients with a history of narrow-angle glaucoma (see Special warnings and precautions) may be increased when nebulised ipratropium bromide and beta-mimetics are administered simultaneously.

Fertility, Pregnancy and lactation

The safety of ATROVENT during human pregnancy has not been established. The benefits of using ATROVENT during a confirmed or suspected pregnancy must be weighed against possible hazards to the unborn child. Preclinical studies have shown no embryotoxic or teratogenic effects following inhalation or intranasal application at doses considerably higher than those recommended in man.

It is not known whether ATROVENT is excreted into breast milk. Although lipid-insoluble quaternary cations pass into breast milk, it is unlikely that ATROVENT would reach the infant to an important extent, when administered by inhalation. However, because many drugs are excreted into breast milk, caution should be exercised when ATROVENT is administered to nursing mothers. Preclinical studies performed with ipratropium bromide showed no adverse effect on fertility (see Toxicology Section). Clinical data on fertility are not available for ipratropium bromide.

Effects on ability to drive and use machines

No studies on the effects on the ability to drive and use machines have been performed. However, patients should be advised that they may experience undesirable effects such as dizziness, accommodation disorder, mydriasis and blurred vision during treatment with ATROVENT. Therefore, caution should be recommended when driving a car or operating machinery. If patients experience the above mentioned side effects they should avoid potentially hazardous tasks such as driving or operating machinery.

Side effects

Many of the listed undesirable effects can be assigned to the anticholinergic properties of ATROVENT. As with all inhalation therapy ATROVENT may show symptoms of local irritation. Adverse drug reactions were identified from data obtained in clinical trials and pharmacovigilance during post approval use of the drug.

The most frequent side effects reported in clinical trials were headache, throat irritation, cough, dry mouth, gastro-intestinal motility disorders (including constipation, diarrhoea and vomiting), nausea, and dizziness.

Immune system disorders

- hypersensitivity
 - anaphylactic reaction
- #### Nervous system disorders
- headache
 - dizziness

Eye disorders

- vision blurred
 - mydriasis
 - intraocular pressure increased
 - glaucoma
 - eye pain
 - halo vision
 - conjunctival hyperaemia
 - corneal oedema
 - accommodation disorder
- #### Cardiac disorders
- palpitations
 - supraventricular tachycardia
 - atrial fibrillation
 - heart rate increased

Respiratory, thoracic and mediastinal disorders

- throat irritation
- cough
- bronchospasm
- bronchospasm paradoxical
- laryngospasm
- pharyngeal oedema
- dry throat

Gastrointestinal disorders

- dry mouth
- nausea
- gastrointestinal motility disorder
- diarrhoea
- constipation
- vomiting
- stomatitis
- oedema mouth

Skin and subcutaneous tissue disorders

- rash
- pruritus
- angioedema
- urticaria

Renal and urinary disorders

- urinary retention

Overdose

No symptoms specific to overdose have been encountered. In view of the wide therapeutic range and topical administration of ATROVENT, no serious anticholinergic symptoms are to be expected. Minor systemic manifestations of anticholinergic action, including dry mouth, visual accommodation disorder and increase of heart rate may occur.

Toxicology

Local and systemic tolerability of ipratropium bromide have comprehensively been investigated in several animal species using various administration routes.

The acute inhalation, oral and intravenous has been assessed in several rodent and non-rodent species.

When administered by inhalation, the minimum lethal dose in male Guinea pigs was 199 mg/kg. In rats, no mortality was observed up to the highest technically feasible dosages (i.e. 0.05 mg/kg after 4 h of administration or 160 puffs of ipratropium bromide, 0.02 mg/puff) .

The oral LD₅₀ values for the mouse, rat and rabbit were 1585, 1925 and 1920 mg/kg, respectively. The intravenous LD₅₀ for the mouse, rat and dog was, respectively, 13.6, 15.8 and about 18.2 mg/kg. Clinical signs included mydriasis, dry oral mucosa, dyspnoea, tremor, spasms and/or tachycardia. Repeat-dose toxicity studies have been performed in rats, rabbits, dogs and Rhesus monkeys.

In inhalation studies up to 6 months in rats, dogs and Rhesus monkeys, the No-Observed Adverse Effect Level (NOAEL) was 0.38 mg/kg/day, 0.18 mg/kg/day and 0.8 mg/kg/day, respectively. Dry oral mucosa and tachycardia were noted in the dogs.

No substance-related histopathological lesions were observed in the broncho-pulmonary system or in any other organs. In the rat, the NOAEL after 18 months of oral administration was 0.5 mg/kg/day.

Repeated-dose inhalation toxicity studies in rats up to 6 months, and in dogs for up to 3 months with other formulations (intranasal formulation, alternative propellant HFA 134a and lactose powder formulation) revealed no additional information on the general toxicity profile of ipratropium bromide.

Intranasal administration for up to 6 months revealed a No Effect Level (NOEL) > 0.20 mg/kg/day in dogs and confirmed earlier studies with intranasal administration for up to 13 weeks.

An aqueous solution of ipratropium bromide, (0.05 mg/kg), was locally well tolerated when administered to rats by inhalation (single administration over 4 h). In the repeated dose toxicity studies, ipratropium bromide, was locally well tolerated. Neither active anaphylaxis nor passive cutaneous anaphylactic reactions were demonstrated in Guinea pigs.. There was no evidence of genotoxicity *in vitro* (Ames test) and *in vivo* (micronucleus test, dominant lethal test in mice, cytogenetic assay on bone marrow cells of Chinese hamsters).

No tumorigenic or carcinogenic effects were demonstrated in long term studies in mice and rats.

Studies to investigate the possible influence of ipratropium bromide, on fertility, embryo-fetotoxicity, and peri-/postnatal development have been performed on mice, rats and rabbits.

High oral dose levels, i.e. 1000 mg/kg/day in the rat and 125 mg/kg/day in the rabbit were maternotoxic for both species and embryo-/fetotoxic in the rat, where the fetal weight was reduced. Treatment-related malformations were not observed.

The highest, technically feasible doses for inhalation of the metered aerosol, 1.5 mg/kg/day in rats and 1.8 mg/kg/day in rabbits, showed no adverse effects on reproduction.

Availability

Pack of 100 unit-dose vials below in paper boxes.

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