

CAPETIZ 150/500
Capecitabine Tablets USP 150 mg / 500 mg

Rx only

COMPOSITION

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Each film coated tablet contains:

Capecitabine USP 150mg

Excipients q.s

Colours: Iron Oxide of Red and Titanium Dioxide USP

CAPETIZ™ 500

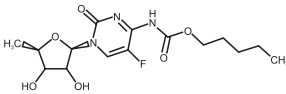
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DESCRIPTION

CAPETIZ is a fluoropyrimidine carbamate with Antineoplastic activity. It is an orally administered systemic prodrug of 5'-deoxy-5-fluorouracil (5'-DFUR) which is converted to 5-fluorouracil.

The chemical name for CAPETIZ is 5'-deoxy-5-fluoro-N-[(pentoxyl) carbonyl]-cytidine and has a molecular weight of 359.35.

CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

CAPETIZ is relatively non-cytotoxic in vivo. This drug is enzymatically converted to 5-fluorouracil (5-FU) in vivo.

PHARMACOKINETICS

In Colorectal Tumors and Adjacent Healthy Tissue Following oral administration of capecitabine 7 days before surgery in patients with colorectal cancer, the median ratio of 5-FU concentration in colorectal tumors to adjacent tissues was 2.9 (range from 0.9 to 8.0). These ratios have not been evaluated in breast cancer patients or compared to 5-FU infusion.

Human Pharmacokinetics

The pharmacokinetics of CAPETIZ and its metabolites have been evaluated in about 200 cancer patients over a dosage range of 500 to 3500 mg/m²/day. Over this range, the pharmacokinetics of capecitabine and its metabolite, 5'-DFCR were dose proportional and did not change over time. The increases in the AUCs of 5'-DFUR and 5-FU, however, were greater than proportional to the increase in dose and the AUC of 5-FU was 34% higher on day 14 than on day 1. The elimination half-life of both parent Capecitabine and 5-FU was about 3% of an hour. The inter-patient variability in the C_{max} and AUC of 5-FU was greater than 85%. Following oral administration of 825 mg/m² Capecitabine twice daily for 14 days, Japanese patients (n=18) had about 36% lower C_{max} and 24% lower AUC for Capecitabine than the Caucasian patients (n=22). Japanese patients had about 25% lower C_{max} and 34% lower AUC for FBAL than the Caucasian patients. The clinical significance of these differences is unknown. No significant differences occurred in the exposure to other metabolites (5'-DFCR, 51-DFUR, and 5-FU).

INDICATIONS AND USAGE

CAPETIZ is indicated for the treatment of patients with metastatic breast cancer resistant to both paclitaxel and an anthracycline-containing chemotherapy regimen or resistant to paclitaxel and for whom further anthracycline therapy is not indicated.

CONTRAINDICATIONS

CAPETIZ is contraindicated in patients who have a known hypersensitivity to 5-fluorouracil.

PRECAUTIONS

A physician experienced in the use of cancer chemotherapeutic agents should monitor patients receiving therapy with CAPETIZ. Most adverse events are reversible and do not need to result in discontinuation, although doses may need to be withheld or reduced.

Hand-and-Foot Syndrome: Hand-and-foot syndrome (palmar-plantar erythrodysesthesia or chemotherapy induced acral erythema) may occur. If grade 2 or 3 hand-and-foot syndrome occurs, administration of CAPETIZ should be interrupted until the event resolve or decreases in intensity to grade 1. Following grade 3 hand-and-foot syndrome, subsequent doses of Capecitabine should be decreased.

Cardiac: There has been cardiotoxicity associated with fluorinated pyrimidine therapy, including myocardial infarction, angina, dysrhythmias, cardiogenic shock, sudden death and electrocardiograph changes. These adverse events may be more common in patients with a prior history of coronary artery disease.

Hepatic Insufficiency: Patients with mild to moderate hepatic dysfunction due to liver metastases should be carefully monitored when CAPETIZ is administered. The effect of severe hepatic dysfunction on the disposition of Capecitabine is not known.

Hyperbilirubinemia: If drug related grade 2-4 elevations in bilirubin occur, administration of CAPETIZ should be immediately interrupted until the Hyperbilirubinemia resolves or decreases in intensity to grade 1.

Renal Insufficiency: There is little experience in patients with renal impairment. Physicians should exercise caution when CAPETIZ is administered.

Hematologic: CAPETIZ lead neutropenia, thrombocytopenia and decreases in hemoglobin.

Carcinogenesis and Mutagenesis: Long-term studies in animals to evaluate the carcinogenic potential of CAPETIZ have not been conducted. Capecitabine has not been shown to be mutagenic in vitro or in vivo.

Impairment of Fertility: CAPETIZ causes a decrease in fertility by disturbing the estrus. In male mice, CAPETIZ causes degenerative changes in the testes, including decreases in the number of spermatocytes and spermatids.

Nursing Women: It is not known whether the drug is excreted in human milk. Because many drugs are excreted in human milk and because of the potential for serious adverse reactions in nursing infants, it is recommended that nursing be discontinued when receiving Capecitabine therapy.

Pediatric Use: The safety and effectiveness of CAPETIZ in persons < 18 years of age have not been established.

Geriatric Use: Patients ≥ 80 years old may experience a greater incidence of gastrointestinal grade 4 or 4 adverse events. Physicians should pay particular attention to monitoring the adverse effects of Capecitabine in the elderly.

Drug-Food Interaction: Since current safety and efficacy data are based upon administration of CAPETIZ with food, it is recommended that CAPETIZ be administered with food.

WARNINGS

Coagulopathy: Altered coagulation parameters and/or bleeding have been reported in patients taking CAPETIZ concomitantly with coumarin-derivative anticoagulants such as warfarin and phenprocoumon.

Diarrhea: CAPETIZ can induce diarrhea, sometimes severe. Necrotizing enterocolitis has been reported with CAPETIZ usage.

Pregnancy: CAPETIZ may cause fetal harm when given to a pregnant woman. If the drug is used during pregnancy, or if the patient becomes pregnant while receiving this drug, the patient should be apprised of the potential hazard to the fetus. Women of childbearing potential should be advised to avoid becoming pregnant while receiving treatment with CAPETIZ.

DRUG INTERACTIONS

Antacid: Aluminum hydroxide- and magnesium hydroxide-containing antacid cause a small increase in plasma concentration of CAPETIZ and one metabolite (5'-DFCR).

Coumarin Anticoagulants: Patients taking coumarinderivative anticoagulants concomitantly with CAPETIZ should be monitored regularly for alterations in their coagulation parameters.

Phenytoin: The level of phenytoin should be carefully monitored in patients taking CAPETIZ and phenytoin dose may need to be reduced.

Leucovorin: The concentration of 5-fluorouracil is increased and its toxicity may be enhanced by Leucovorin.

Side Effects

Adverse events occurring in ≥5% of patients taking CAPETIZ are as follows.

Gastrointestinal: Diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, stomatitis, abdominal pain, constipation and dyspepsia.

Skin and subcutaneous: Hand-and-foot Syndrome, dermatitis and nail disorder.

General: Fatigue, pyrexia, pain in limb

Size: 100x182 mm

Neurological: Paresthesia, headache, dizziness and insomnia.

Metabolism: Anorexia and dehydration

Eye: Eye irritation

Musculoskeletal: Myalgia

Cardiovascular: Edema, blood, neutropenia, thrombocytopenia, anemia, lymphopenia

Hepatobiliary: Hyperbilirubinemia

OVER DOSAGE

The anticipated manifestations of acute overdose are nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, gastrointestinal irritation and bleeding, and bone marrow depression. It should be managed with supportive medical interventions aimed at correcting the presenting clinical manifestations. Although no clinical experience has been reported, dialysis may be of benefit in reducing circulating concentrations of 5-OFUR, a low-molecular weight metabolite of the parent compound.

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

The recommended dose of CAPETIZ is 2500 mg/m² administered orally daily with food for 2 weeks followed by a 1-week rest period given as 3 week cycles. The CAPETIZ daily dose should be given orally in two divided doses (approximately 12 hours apart) at the end of a meal. CAPETIZ tablets should be swallowed with water. The following table displays the total daily dose by body surface area and the number of tablets to be taken at each dose.

*Total Daily dose divided by 2 to allow equal morning and evening doses.

Dose Modification guidelines: Patients should be carefully monitored for toxicity. Toxicity due to CAPETIZ administration may be managed by symptomatic treatment, dose interruptions and adjustment of CAPETIZ dose. Once dose has been reduced it should not be increased at a later time.

*National Cancer Institute of Canada Common Toxicity Criteria were used except for the Hand-and-Foot Syndrome.

Adjustment of Starting Dose In Special Populations:

Hepatic Impairment: In patient with mild to moderate hepatic dysfunction due to liver metastases, no starting dose adjustment is necessary; however, patients should be carefully monitored. Patients with severe hepatic dysfunction have not been studied.

Renal Important: Insufficient data are available in patients with renal impairment to provide a dosage recommendation.

Geriatric population: The elderly may be pharmacodynamically more sensitive to the toxic effects of 5-Fu and therefore, physician should exercise caution in monitoring the effects of Capecitabine in the elderly. Insufficient data are available to provide a dosage recommendation.

Recommended Dose Modifications		
Toxicity NCIC Grades*	During a Course of Therapy	Dose Adjustment for Next Cycle (%of starting dose)
Grade1	Maintain dose level	Maintain dose level
Grade2		
-1st appearance	Interrupt until resolved to grade 0-1	100%
-2nd appearance	Interrupt until resolved to grade 0-1	75%
-3rd appearance	Interrupt until resolved to grade 0-1	50%
-4th appearance	Discontinue treatment permanently	
Grade 3		
-1st appearance	Interrupt until resolved to grade 0-1	75%
-2nd appearance	Interrupt until resolved to grade 0-1	50%
-3rd appearance	Discontinue treatment permanently	
Grade 4		
-1st appearance	Discontinue permanently or if physician deems it to be in the patient's best interest to continue, interrupt until resolved to grade0-1	50%

STORAGE

Store below 30° C

SHELF LIFE

24Months

HOW SUPPLIED

CAPETIZ 150 supplied in a bottle of 60 tablets packed in a HDPE container

CAPETIZ 500 supplied in a bottle of 30 tablets packed in a HDPE container

MANUFACTURED & MARKETED BY:

Tizig Pharma Private Limited

Factory: Tukucha, Nala-1, Banepa, Nepal.

Regd. Office: Maligaun-5, Kathmandu, Nepal.

Capecitabine Dose Calculation According to Body Surface Area			
Dose level 255 mg/m ² /day		Number of tablets to be taken at each dose(morning and evening)	
Surface Area (m ²)	Total Daily *Dose (mg)	150 mg	500 mg
<=1.24	3000	3000	3
1.25-1.36	3300	3300	3
1.37-1.51	3600	3600	3
1.52-1.64	4000	4000	4
1.65-1.76	4300	4300	4
1.65-1.76	4600	4600	4
1.92-2.04	5000	5000	5
2.05-2.17	5300	5300	5
>=2.18	5600	5600	5