Information For the User Formoterol (6mcg) + Budesonide (200mcg)

Buditerm F 200 Inhaler

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Brand Name: Formoterol 6 mcg + Budesonide 200 mcg Inhaler

Generic Name: Formoterol and Budesonide Strength:

- Formoterol: 6 mcg per actuation
- Budesonide: 200 mcg per actuation
 Dosage Form: Metered-doseinhaler (MDI)

Indications:

Formoterol and Budesonide Inhaler is indicated for the **long-term management** of **asthma** and **chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)** in adults and children over the age of 12 years. It is used for:

- 1. Asthma:
 - **Maintenance therapy** to reduce inflammation and bronchoconstriction.
 - Used in combination with other asthma treatments when long-acting
 bronchodilation and anti-inflammatory effects are required to control symptoms.
- 2. **COPD**:
 - **Long-term maintenance treatment** for patients with COPD, to improve lung function and reduce the risk of exacerbations.

This combination helps reduce **airway inflammation**, improve **bronchial dilation**, and control both **asthmatic** and **COPD symptoms** over time.

Mechanism of Action:

• Formoterol:

Formoterol is a **long-acting beta-agonist** (LABA) that works by stimulating **beta-2 adrenergic receptors** in the smooth muscle of the airways, leading to **bronchodilation**. This opens the airways, improving airflow and helping relieve symptoms such as **wheezing**, **shortness of breath**, and **tightness in the chest**.

Budesonide:
Budesonide is a corticosteroid that works by reducing inflammation in the lungs. It inhibits the release of pro-inflammatory mediators such as leukotrienes and prostaglandins, helping to prevent airway swelling and narrowing.
Budesonide also reduces the risk of acute asthma exacerbations and COPD flare-ups.

The combination of both drugs provides **dual action** in controlling both the underlying inflammation and the bronchoconstriction, improving overall respiratory function.

Dosage and Administration:

- Adults and Adolescents (12 years and older):
 - The maximum dose is 2 inhalations per day (one in the morning and one in the evening). If higher doses are required, a healthcare provider may recommend an alternative regimen.
 - Use the inhaler as directed. **Do not exceed** the prescribed dose.
- How to Use the Inhaler:
 - Shake the inhaler well before use.
 - Exhale completely and place the mouthpiece of the inhaler in your mouth.
 - Press down on the inhaler to release the medication while inhaling deeply and slowly.
 - Hold your breath for about **10 seconds** or as long as comfortable.
 - If a second inhalation is required, wait **30 seconds** and repeat the process.
 - After use, rinse your mouth with water to reduce the risk of **oral thrush** and other infections caused by the corticosteroid.

Warnings and Precautions:

• Not for Acute Symptoms: This medication is for maintenance therapy only and is not

intended for the relief of acute asthma or COPD attacks. Always have a **rescue inhaler** available for sudden breathing difficulties.

• Infections: Corticosteroids may suppress the immune system, increasing the risk of infections, including oral thrush, pneumonia, and tuberculosis. Patients should be advised to rinse their mouth after each use to reduce the risk of oral fungal infections.

Side Effects:

Common Side Effects:

- Throat irritation or hoarseness.
- Cough or dry mouth.
- Headache.
- Muscle cramps or tremors.
- Nausea or vomiting.

Serious but Rare Side Effects:

- **Paradoxical bronchospasm** (worsening of asthma or breathing difficulties).
- **Oral thrush** or **fungal infections** in the mouth or throat.
- **Pneumonia** (especially in COPD patients).
- Hypersensitivity reactions, including rash, swelling, or difficulty breathing.
- **Cardiovascular effects**: Increased heart rate, palpitations, or **QT prolongation**.

• **Diuretics: Diuretics** (e.g., **furosemide**) may increase the risk of **hypokalemia**, which can be exacerbated by **formoterol**.

Storage:

- Store the inhaler at room temperature (15°C to 30°C / 59°F to 86°F).
- Keep the inhaler away from **moisture** and **direct sunlight**.
- Do not store in **freezing** temperatures.
- Keep out of reach of children.
- Check the inhaler for the number of remaining doses, and dispose of the inhaler when it is empty.

Patient Counseling Information:

- Mouth Care: Rinse your mouth with water after each use to reduce the risk of **oral thrush** and other oral infections.
- Use Regularly: Take this medication regularly even if you feel better. This helps control symptoms and prevent flare-ups.
- Emergency Plan: Always keep a rescue inhaler (short-acting bronchodilator) with you in case of sudden worsening of asthma or COPD symptoms.

Drug Interactions:

- **CYP3A4 Inhibitors**: Co-administration with strong CYP3A4 inhibitors (e.g., ketoconazole, itraconazole) may increase budesonide levels, raising the risk of systemic corticosteroid side effects.
- Beta-Blockers: Beta-blockers (e.g., propranolol) can reduce the effectiveness of formoterol and should be avoided or used with caution in patients receiving this combination inhaler.
- Other Inhaled Medications: Care should be taken when using other inhaled medications, particularly short-acting beta-agonists (SABAs), to avoid excessive dosing or side effects.

This information provides a detailed overview of the **Formoterol (6 mcg) + Budesonide (200 mcg) Inhaler**. Follow the prescribed regimen carefully, and consult your healthcare provider if you experience any concerns or side effects.

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