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Xibrom Description

Xibrom (bromfenac ophthalmic solution) 0.09% is a sterile, topical, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID) for ophthalmic use. Each mL of Xibrom contains 1.035 mg bromfenac sodium (equivalent to 0.9 mg bromfenac free acid). Bromfenac sodium is designated chemically as sodium 2-amino-3-(4-bromobenzoyl) phenylacetate sesquihydrate, with an empirical formula of $C_{15}H_{11}BrNNaO_3 \cdot 1\frac{1}{2}H_2O$. The structural formula of bromfenac sodium is:

Bromfenac sodium is a yellow to orange crystalline powder. The molecular weight of bromfenac sodium is 383.17. Xibrom ophthalmic solution is supplied as a sterile aqueous 0.09% solution, with a pH of 8.3. The osmolality of Xibrom ophthalmic solution is approximately 300 mOsmol/kg. Each mL of Xibrom ophthalmic solution contains: **Active:** bromfenac sodium hydrate 0.1035%. **Inactives:** benzalkonium chloride (0.05 mg/mL), boric acid, disodium edetate (0.2 mg/mL), polysorbate 80 (1.5 mg/mL), povidone (20 mg/mL), sodium borate, sodium sulfite anhydrous (2 mg/mL), sodium hydroxide to

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CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

Mechanism of Action:

Bromfenac is a nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID) that has anti-inflammatory activity. The mechanism of its action is thought to be due to its ability to block prostaglandin synthesis by inhibiting cyclooxygenase 1 and 2.



Prostaglandins have been shown in many animal models to be mediators of certain kinds of intraocular inflammation. In studies performed in animal eyes, prostaglandins have been shown to produce disruption of the blood-aqueous humor barrier, vasodilation, increased vascular permeability, leukocytosis, and increased intraocular pressure.

Pharmacokinetics:

The plasma concentration of bromfenac following ocular administration of 0.09% Xibrom (bromfenac ophthalmic solution) in humans is unknown. Based on the maximum proposed dose of one drop to each eye (0.09mg) and PK information from other routes of administration, the systemic concentration of bromfenac is estimated to be below the limit of quantification (50 ng/mL) at steady-state in humans.

Clinical Trials:

Clinical efficacy was evaluated in two randomized, double-masked, vehicle-controlled U.S. trials in which subjects with a summed ocular inflammation score ≥3 after cataract surgery were assigned to Xibrom or vehicle in a 2:1 ratio following surgery. One drop of Xibrom or vehicle was self-instilled in the study eye twice a day for 14 days, beginning the day after surgery. The primary endpoint was reduction of ocular inflammation (to trace inflammation or clearing) assessed 14 days post-surgery using a slit lamp binocular microscope. In the intent-to-treat analyses of both studies, a significant effect of Xibrom on ocular inflammation after cataract surgery was demonstrated (62-66% vs. 40-48%). An additional efficacy endpoint was the time required for resolution of ocular pain in subjects who reported pain. Overall, only 20% of patients undergoing cataract surgery in these trials had pain on the first day after surgery. In these patients, the Xibrom group demonstrated a statistically significant difference in median time to resolution of ocular pain of 2 days compared to 4 days for patients receiving vehicle.





INDICATIONS AND USAGE

Xibrom ophthalmic solution is indicated for the treatment of postoperative inflammation and reduction of ocular pain in patients who have undergone cataract extraction.

CONTRAINDICATIONS

Xibrom ophthalmic solution is contraindicated in patients with known hypersensitivity to any ingredient in the formulation.

Warnings

Contains sodium sulfite, a sulfite that may cause allergic-type reactions including anaphylactic symptoms and life-threatening or less severe asthmatic episodes in certain susceptible people. The overall prevalence of sulfite sensitivity in the general population is unknown and probably low. Sulfite sensitivity is seen more frequently in asthmatic than in nonasthmatic people.

There is the potential for cross-sensitivity to acetylsalicylic acid, phenylacetic acid derivatives, and other NSAIDs. Therefore, caution should be used when treating individuals who have previously exhibited sensitivities to these drugs.

With some NSAIDs, there exists the potential for increased bleeding time due to interference with platelet aggregation. There have been reports that ocularly applied NSAIDs may cause increased bleeding of ocular tissues (including hyphemas) in conjunction with ocular surgery.

Precautions

General:



corticosteroids are also known to slow or delay healing. Concomitant use of topical NSAIDs and topical steroids may increase the potential for healing problems.

Use of topical NSAIDs may result in keratitis. In some susceptible patients, continued use of topical NSAIDs may result in epithelial breakdown, corneal thinning, corneal erosion, corneal ulceration or corneal perforation. These events may be sight threatening. Patients with evidence of corneal epithelial breakdown should immediately discontinue use of topical NSAIDs and should be closely monitored for corneal health.

Postmarketing experience with topical NSAIDs suggests that patients with complicated ocular surgeries, corneal denervation, corneal epithelial defects, diabetes mellitus, ocular surface diseases (e.g., dry eye syndrome), rheumatoid arthritis, or repeat ocular surgeries within a short period of time may be at increased risk for corneal adverse events which may become sight threatening. Topical NSAIDs should be used with caution in these patients.

Postmarketing experience with topical NSAIDs also suggests that use more than 24 hours prior to surgery or use beyond 14 days post surgery may increase patient risk for the occurrence and severity of corneal adverse events.

It is recommended that Xibrom ophthalmic solution be used with caution in patients with known bleeding tendencies or who are receiving other medications which may prolong bleeding time.

Information for Patients:

Xibrom ophthalmic solution should not be administered while wearing contact lenses.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility:

Long-term carcinogenicity studies in rats and mice given oral doses of bromfenac

up to 0.6 mg/kg/day (360 times the recommended human ophthalmic dose [RHOD] of 1.67 μg/kg in 60 kg person on a mg/kg/basis, assuming 100% absorbed) and 5.0 mg/kg/day (3000 times RHOD), respectively revealed no significant increases in tumor incidence.

Bromfenac did not show mutagenic potential in various mutagenicity studies, including the reverse mutation, chromosomal aberration, and micronucleus tests.

Bromfenac did not impair fertility when administered orally to male and female rats at doses up to 0.9 mg/kg/day and 0.3 mg/kg/day, respectively (540 and 180 times RHOD, respectively).

Pregnancy:

Teratogenic Effects: Pregnancy Category C.

Reproduction studies performed in rats at oral doses up to 0.9 mg/kg/day (540 times RHOD)



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