

**HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION**

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UPTRAVI® (selexipag) tablets, for oral use  
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-----INDICATIONS AND USAGE-----

UPTRAVI® is a prostacyclin receptor agonist indicated for the treatment of pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH, WHO Group I) to delay disease progression and reduce the risk of hospitalization for PAH. (1.1)

-----DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION-----

- Starting dose: 200 mcg twice daily. (2.1)
- Increase the dose by 200 mcg twice daily at weekly intervals to the highest tolerated dose up to 1600 mcg twice daily. (2.1)
- Maintenance dose is determined by tolerability. (2.1)
- Moderate hepatic impairment: Starting dose 200 mcg once daily, increase the dose by 200 mcg once daily at weekly intervals to the highest tolerated dose up to 1600 mcg. (2.3)

-----DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS-----

Tablets: 200 mcg, 400 mcg, 600 mcg, 800 mcg, 1000 mcg, 1200 mcg, 1400 mcg, 1600 mcg. (3)

-----CONTRAINDICATIONS-----

None (4)

-----WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS-----

Pulmonary edema in patients with pulmonary veno-occlusive disease. If confirmed, discontinue treatment. (5.1)

-----ADVERSE REACTIONS-----

Adverse reactions occurring more frequently (≥5%) on UPTRAVI compared to placebo are headache, diarrhea, jaw pain, nausea, myalgia, vomiting, pain in extremity, and flushing. (6.1)

To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact Actelion at 1-866-228-3546 or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or [www.fda.gov/medwatch](http://www.fda.gov/medwatch).

-----DRUG INTERACTIONS-----

Strong CYP2C8 inhibitors: increased exposure to selexipag and its active metabolite. Avoid concomitant use. (7.1, 12.3)

-----USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS-----

- Nursing mothers: discontinue UPTRAVI or breastfeeding. (8.2)
- Severe hepatic impairment: Avoid use. (8.6)

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## FULL PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

### 1 INDICATIONS AND USAGE

#### 1.1 Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension

UPTRAVI is indicated for the treatment of pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH, WHO Group I) to delay disease progression and reduce the risk of hospitalization for PAH.

Effectiveness was established in a long-term study in PAH patients with WHO Functional Class II-III symptoms.

Patients had idiopathic and heritable PAH (58%), PAH associated with connective tissue disease (29%), PAH associated with congenital heart disease with repaired shunts (10%) [*see Clinical Studies (14.1)*].

### 2 DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

#### 2.1 Recommended Dosage

The recommended starting dose of UPTRAVI is 200 micrograms (mcg) given twice daily. Tolerability may be improved when taken with food [*see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)*].

Increase the dose in increments of 200 mcg twice daily, usually at weekly intervals, to the highest tolerated dose up to 1600 mcg twice daily. If a patient reaches a dose that cannot be tolerated, the dose should be reduced to the previous tolerated dose.

Do not split, crush, or chew tablets.

#### 2.2 Interruptions and Discontinuations

If a dose of medication is missed, patients should take a missed dose as soon as possible unless the next dose is within the next 6 hours.

If treatment is missed for 3 days or more, restart UPTRAVI at a lower dose and then retitrate.

#### 2.3 Dosage Adjustment in Patients with Hepatic Impairment

No dose adjustment of UPTRAVI is necessary for patients with mild hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh class A).

For patients with moderate hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh class B), the starting dose of UPTRAVI is 200 mcg once daily. Increase in increments of 200 mcg once daily at weekly intervals, as tolerated [*see Use in Specific Populations (8.6), and Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)*].

Avoid use of UPTRAVI in patients with severe hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh class C).

### **3 DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS**

UPTRAVI is available in the following strengths:

- 200 mcg [Light yellow tablet debossed with 2]
- 400 mcg [Red tablet debossed with 4]
- 600 mcg [Light violet tablet debossed with 6]
- 800 mcg [Green tablet debossed with 8]
- 1000 mcg [Orange tablet debossed with 10]
- 1200 mcg [Dark violet tablet debossed with 12]
- 1400 mcg [Dark yellow tablet debossed with 14]
- 1600 mcg [Brown tablet debossed with 16]

### **4 CONTRAINDICATIONS**

None.

### **5 WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS**

#### **5.1 Pulmonary Veno-Occlusive Disease (PVOD)**

Should signs of pulmonary edema occur, consider the possibility of associated PVOD. If confirmed, discontinue UPTRAVI.

### **6 ADVERSE REACTIONS**

#### **6.1 Clinical Trial Experience**

Because clinical trials are conducted under widely varying conditions, adverse reaction rates observed in the clinical trials of a drug cannot be directly compared to rates in the clinical trials of another drug and may not reflect the rates observed in practice.

The safety of UPTRAVI has been evaluated in a long-term, placebo-controlled study enrolling 1156 patients with symptomatic PAH (GRIPHON study) [see *Clinical Studies (14)*]. The exposure to UPTRAVI in this trial was up to 4.2 years with median duration of exposure of 1.4 years.

Table 1 presents adverse reactions more frequent on UPTRAVI than on placebo by  $\geq 3\%$ .

**Table 1**      **Adverse Reactions**

<i>Adverse Reaction</i>	<b>UPTRAVI</b> N=575	<b>Placebo</b> N=577
Headache	65%	32%
Diarrhea	42%	18%
Jaw pain	26%	6%
Nausea	33%	18%
Myalgia	16%	6%
Vomiting	18%	9%
Pain in Extremity	17%	8%
Flushing	12%	5%
Arthralgia	11%	8%
Anemia	8%	5%
Decreased appetite	6%	3%
Rash	11%	8%

These adverse reactions are more frequent during the dose titration phase.

Hyperthyroidism was observed in 1% (n=8) of patients on UPTRAVI and in none of the patients on placebo.

#### Laboratory Test Abnormalities

##### Hemoglobin

In a Phase 3 placebo-controlled study in patients with PAH, mean absolute changes in hemoglobin at regular visits compared to baseline ranged from  $-0.34$  to  $-0.02$  g/dL in the selexipag group compared to  $-0.05$  to  $0.25$  g/dL in the placebo group. A decrease in hemoglobin concentration to below 10 g/dL was reported in 8.6% of patients treated with selexipag and 5.0% of placebo-treated patients.

##### Thyroid function tests

In a Phase 3 placebo-controlled study in patients with PAH, a reduction (up to  $-0.3$  MU/L from a baseline median of 2.5 MU/L) in median thyroid-stimulating hormone (TSH) was observed at most visits in the selexipag group. In the placebo group, little change in median values was apparent. There were no mean changes in triiodothyronine or thyroxine in either group.

## 7 DRUG INTERACTIONS

### 7.1 Strong CYP2C8 Inhibitors

Concomitant administration with strong inhibitors of CYP2C8 may result in a significant increase in exposure to selexipag and its active metabolite. Avoid concomitant administration of UPTRAVI with strong inhibitors of CYP2C8 (e.g., gemfibrozil) [see *Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)*].

## 8 USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

### 8.1 Pregnancy

#### Risk Summary

There are no adequate and well-controlled studies with UPTRAVI in pregnant women. Animal reproduction studies performed with selexipag showed no clinically relevant effects on embryofetal development and survival. A slight reduction in maternal as well as in fetal body weight was observed when pregnant rats were administered selexipag during organogenesis at a dose producing an exposure approximately 47 times that in humans at the maximum recommended human dose. No adverse developmental outcomes were observed with oral administration of selexipag to pregnant rabbits during organogenesis at exposures up to 50 times the human exposure at the maximum recommended human dose.

The estimated background risk of major birth defects and miscarriage for the indicated population is unknown. In the U.S. general population, the estimated background risk of major birth defects and miscarriage in clinically recognized pregnancies is 2-4% and 15-20%, respectively.

#### Data

##### *Animal Data*

Pregnant rats were treated with selexipag using oral doses of 2, 6, and 20 mg/kg/day (up to 47 times the exposure at the maximum recommended human dose of 1600 mcg twice daily on an area under the curve [AUC] basis) during the period of organogenesis (gestation days 7 to 17). Selexipag did not cause adverse developmental effects to the fetus in this study. A slight reduction in fetal body weight was observed in parallel with a slight reduction in maternal body weight at the high dose.

Pregnant rabbits were treated with selexipag using oral doses of 3, 10, and 30 mg/kg (up to 50 times the exposure to the active metabolite at the maximum recommended human dose of 1600 mcg twice daily on an AUC basis) during the period of organogenesis (gestation days 6 to 18). Selexipag did not cause adverse developmental effects to the fetus in this study.

### 8.2 Lactation

It is not known if UPTRAVI is present in human milk. Selexipag or its metabolites were present in the milk of rats. Because many drugs are present in the human milk and because of the

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