

# Drug Information Sheet("Kusuri-no-Shiori")

Internal

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The information on this sheet is based on approvals granted by the Japanese regulatory authority. Approval details may vary by country. Medicines have adverse reactions (risks) as well as efficacies (benefits). It is important to minimize adverse reactions and maximize efficacy. To obtain a better therapeutic response, patients should understand their medication and cooperate with the treatment.

**Brand name:** CABASER Tab. 0.25mg [for Parkinson's disease]

**Active ingredient:** Cabergoline

**Dosage form:** white tablet, diameter: 5.5 mm, thickness: 2.8 mm

**Imprint or print on wrapping:** CABASER 0.25mg, カバサール 0.25mg, company's mark, Pfizer, カベルゴリン, C.



## Effects of this medicine

This medicine stimulates dopamine D<sub>2</sub>-receptors to improve symptoms such as shivering in hands, muscle stiffness or dull mobility.

It is usually used to treat Parkinson's disease.

## The following patients may need to be careful when using this medicine. Be sure to tell your doctor and pharmacist.

- If you have previously experienced any allergic reactions (itch, rash, etc.) to any medicines or foods.  
If you have: heart valve leaflet thickening, heart valve disease such as position limit or accompanying stenosis or its history, pregnant toxicosis, puerperal hypertension, pleurisy, pleural effusion, pleural fibrosis, pulmonary fibrosis, pericarditis, pericardial effusion, retroperitoneal fibrosis or its history, peptic ulcer or gastrointestinal bleeding or its history, Raynaud's disease, mental disease or its history, hypotension, cardiovascular disorder or its history, visual disorder caused by extensive pituitary gland tumor or liver dysfunction or its history.
- If you are pregnant or breastfeeding.
- If you are taking any other medicinal products. (Some medicines may interact to enhance or diminish medicinal effects. Beware of over-the-counter medicines and dietary supplements as well as other prescription medicines.)

## Dosing schedule (How to take this medicine)

- Your dosing schedule prescribed by your doctor is(( to be written by a healthcare professional))
- In general, for adults, start with taking 1 tablet (0.25 mg of the active ingredient) at a time, once a day and take 2 tablets (0.5 mg) at a time, once a day on second week. Then, the daily dose should be increased by 2 tablets (0.5 mg) every week with following up the state, and the maintenance dose is determined. However, the maximum daily dose is 12 tablets (3 mg). In any case, take this medicine once a day after breakfast. Strictly follow the instructions.
- If you miss a dose, take the missed dose as soon as possible. If it is almost time for the next dose (next morning), skip the missed dose and follow your regular dosing schedule. You should never take two doses at one time.
- If you accidentally take more than your prescribed dose, consult with your doctor or pharmacist. You may experience nausea, vomiting, stomach discomfort, hallucination (feeling the presence of things that do not really exist), delusions (groundless belief in something untrue, unwillingness to accept logical persuasion), dull headache, dizziness, orthostatic hypotension (weakness, dizziness, lightheadedness, dizziness on standing up, losing consciousness). If some symptoms occur concurrently while taking this medicine, get immediate medical attention.
- Do not stop taking this medicine unless your doctor instructs you to do so. Sudden dose reduction or discontinuation may induce symptoms such as high fever, shivering in limbs, stiffness of the body, apathy, anxiety, depression, fatigue, sweating and pain.

## Precautions while taking this medicine

- This medicine may cause sudden sleepiness or dizziness on standing up due to hypotension. Avoid performing dangerous operations such as driving a car, operating machinery or working at heights.
- This medicine may cause valvular disease of heart. If symptoms such as respiratory distress, shortness of breath, easy fatigability, edema, weight gain or palpitation occur, contact your doctor immediately.
- Before using this medicine, the presence or absence of valvular disease of heart should be examined in echocardiographic study. Echocardiographic study should be performed within 3 to 6 months after the start of treatment and then every 6 to 12 months. In addition, physical examination such as auscultation, chest X-rays and CT should be periodically performed.
- If you want to become pregnant, you should perform pregnancy test periodically to confirm pregnancy early.
- Women who do not want to become pregnant should avoid pregnancy.
- If you take this medicine for a long period of time, general gynecological examination should be performed periodically.

### **Possible adverse reactions to this medicine**

The most commonly reported adverse reactions include nausea, stomach discomfort, loss of appetite and hallucination. If any of these symptoms occur, consult with your doctor or pharmacist.

**The symptoms described below are rarely seen as initial symptoms of the adverse reactions indicated in brackets. If any of these symptoms occur, stop taking this medicine and see your doctor immediately.**

- feeling the presence of things that do not really exist, groundless belief in something untrue, losing consciousness [hallucination, delusions, syncope, delirium, confusion]
- high fever, impaired consciousness, muscle stiffness [neuroleptic malignant syndrome]
- fever, dry cough, dyspnea [interstitial pneumonia]
- chest pain, edema, dyspnea [pleurisy, pleural effusion, pleural fibrosis, pulmonary fibrosis, pericarditis, pericardial effusion]
- respiratory distress/shortness of breath, edema, palpitation [valvular disease of heart]

**The above symptoms do not describe all the adverse reactions to this medicine. Consult with your doctor or pharmacist if you notice any symptoms of concern other than those listed above.**

### **Storage conditions and other information**

- Keep out of reach of children. Store at room temperature (1 to 30 degrees Celsius), away from light and moisture.
- Discard the remainder. Do not store them. If you do not know how to dispose of the unused medicines, seek advice of your pharmacy or medical institution. Do not give the unused medicines to others.
- [To family members] Impulse control disorders (pathological gambling, pathological increase in sexual desire, excessive unplanned shopping and gluttony) may appear to the patients. Please pay attention to language and behavior of patients. If any of these symptoms occur, consult with the doctor.

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For further information, talk to your doctor or pharmacist.