

# VOTRIENT® pazopanib

## PRESCRIPTION AND DISPENSING



This drug is prescribed and renewed by your **hospital doctor specialized in cancerology, hematology or in medical oncology**.  
It is available **only in city pharmacies**.



On leaving your home, do not forget to take your prescriptions along. For a better monitoring, have your pharmaceutical file activated by your pharmacist.



**Do not throw away your opened boxes nor the remaining tablets into your trash.** Please bring them back to your pharmacist.  
**Your pharmacist can help you in taking your treatment.** Please bring him back your unused boxes and tablets at the next renewal.

## PRESENTATIONS AND STORAGE



**Tablet of 200mg**, layered, pink, capsule-shaped, box of 30

**Tablet of 400mg**, layered, white, capsule-shaped, box of 30 or 60



Store this drug at a **temperature below 25°C**.  
**Keep it out of sight and reach of children.**

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

The dose is strictly personal and may be changed during treatment by your specialist doctor.

The usual dose is: **800mg once a day**.

The doses can be fitted according to tolerance by successive levels of 200mg.

**The proper monitoring of the instructions for use is necessary for the efficiency of your treatment.**



VOTRIENT® tablets are to be swallowed **whole, without food, with a glass of water in one take, one hour before or two hours after a meal, and every day at the same hour**.



Do not crush, nor cut or crunch the tablets.



**Grapefruit** (juice, pulp) should be avoided during your treatment with VOTRIENT®.

## MEDICINAL INTERACTIONS



This drug can interact with other medicines, plants or herbal teas. For example, avoid taking **St John's Wort** (*Hypericum perforatum*) in all its forms (capsule, resin, herbal tea, drops...).

**Do not hesitate to tell your doctor what medicines, plants or herbal teas (with or without prescriptions) you are taking or wish to take.**



If in doubt, ask your pharmacist for advice.




Avoid medicines used to treat heartburns (anti-acid and anti-secretory). If in need, ask your pharmacist to advise you for the respective hours of take of VOTRIENT® and of the medicine prescribed for heartburns.

**Do not worry at reading these effects, you may not experience any.**

SIDE EFFECTS	PREVENTION	BEHAVIOUR
Headaches, palpitations, dizziness, ear buzzing	Keep a regular watch over your heart (electrocardiogram, analyses for mineral salts : potassium, calcium, magnesium) and over your blood pressure.	Tell your doctor as soon as these signs appear.

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<b>Diarrhea</b>	Avoid coffee, frozen drinks, milk, raw fruit and vegetables, cereals, wholemeal bread and alcohol. Watch over mineral salts by analyses.	Follow the medical prescription for diarrhea. If possible, drink 2 litres a day (water, tea, herbal tea, soup, sodas) and favor starchy food (rice, pasta) cooked carrots and bananas. Tell your doctor at the first persisting signs (over 3 diarrheas a day).
<b>Nauseas and vomitings</b>	Eat slowly and make several small light meals. Avoid greasy, fried and spicy food. Rather drink between meals.	Take the prescribed nausea and vomiting medication in accordance with the doses. Tell your doctor at the first persisting signs (from 2 vomits a day).
<b>Skin trouble, dryness, depigmentation</b>	Favor a mild, alcohol-free soap, and use a hydrating cream. Avoid exposure to the sun.	Inform your doctor, some medical treatment may relieve you.
<b>Loss of appetite</b>	Make several small snacks in the day (food that you like), eat slowly and drink a lot.	Favor highly calorific food : add butter, oil, fresh cream, grated cheese, honey... Ask a dietician for advice. In case of a loss of weight, inform your doctor.
<b>Fatigue</b>	It is normal to be tired during treatment. See that you lead a healthy life (eat and drink soundly). Respect moments of rest during the day, but try to remain active, even moderately.	Listen to your body. Be prudent if you have to drive vehicles. In case of an unusual, persisting fatigue, inform your doctor. Make biological checkups of the thyroid.
<b>Inflammation of the mouth</b>	Avoid acid, spicy and irritating food. Use a soft toothbrush, a mild (menthol-free) toothpaste, and an alcohol-free mouthwash.	In case of an occurrence of diffuse pains or burns in the mouth, contact your doctor.
<b>Signs of infection : fever, shivers, cough, sore throat, urinary burns</b>	Limit contacts with persons with a contagious infection, if possible. Wash your hands frequently. Disinfect any wound carefully. Make the blood tests prescribed by your doctor.	In case of a fever over 38°C, tell your doctor who will prescribe you some antibiotics.

**A change in the hair colour and / or a hair loss, an alteration of taste and cardiac symptoms** may occur during treatment; do not hesitate to tell your doctor about it.

 Should you feel any **unmentioned effects**, do not hesitate to tell your prescriber, doctor or pharmacist about it.

#### A FEW ADVICE



**Promptly contact your doctor** in case of :

- change in the heartbeat
- bleedings in the digestive system
- signs of infection (fever, cough, shivers...)



**Never stop treatment or change the rhythm of administration without the advice of the prescribing doctor.**



**If you have forgotten to take your VOTRIENT® tablets**, do not take the missed dose. The next dose will be taken at the normal hour, the following day. Please note it in your tracking book.



**Avoid prolonged exposure to the sun, and protect yourself** if you have to do it.

**REMARKS :**