

FINAST

For the use only of a Registered Medical Practitioner or a Hospital or a Laboratory
abbreviated prescribing information for FINAST (Finasteride tablets I.P. 1 mg)
[Please refer the complete prescribing information available at www.torrentpharma.com]

PHARMACOLOGICAL PROPERTIES: Finasteride is a 4-azasteroid, which inhibits human type II 5 α -reductase (present in the hair follicles) with a more than 100-fold selectivity compared with human type I 5 α -reductase, and blocks the peripheral conversion of testosterone to the androgenic dihydrotestosterone (DHT). In men with male pattern hair loss, the balding scalp contains miniaturised hair follicles and increased concentrations of DHT. Finasteride inhibits the process responsible for miniaturisation of the scalp hair follicles, which can lead to reversal of the balding process.

INDICATION: Finast 1 mg tablets are indicated for in treatment of male pattern hair loss in men only.

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: Oral use, It can be administered with or without a meal. Crushed or broken tablets of finasteride 1 mg should not be handled by women when they are or may potentially be pregnant because of the possibility of absorption of finasteride and subsequent potential risk to a male foetus. The tablets should be swallowed whole and must not be divided or crushed.

CONTRAINDICATION: Hypersensitivity to the active substance or to any of the excipients. Finasteride should not be used in children/adolescents. Contraindicated in women. Should not be taken by men who are taking finasteride 5 mg or any other 5 α - reductase inhibitor for benign prostatic hyperplasia or any other condition.

WARNINGS & PRECAUTIONS:

Finasteride 1mg is not indicated for use in women or pediatric patients. 5-alpha reductase inhibitors may increase the risk of high-grade prostate cancer. Finasteride causes a decrease in serum PSA levels. Any confirmed increase in PSA while on FINAST 1mg may signal the presence of prostate cancer and should be evaluated, even if those values are still within the normal range for men not taking a 5-alpha-reductase inhibitor.

DRUG INTERACTIONS: No drug interactions of clinical importance have been identified.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: The most common adverse reactions, reported in $\geq 1\%$ of patients treated with Finasteride 1mg can be decreased libido, erectile dysfunction and ejaculation disorder.

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