## SHELCAL CT

## For the use only of a Registered Medical Practitioner or a Hospital or a Laboratory

Abbreviated Prescribing information for Shelcal CT Tablets (Calcium carbonate and Calcitriol) [Please refer the complete prescribing information available at www.torrentpharma.com]

**PHARMACOLOGICAL PROPERTIES**: *Calcium Carbonate*: Calcium preparations are used to prevent or to treat calcium deficiencies, *Calcitriol*: It is the active form of vitamin D<sub>3</sub>. Vitamin D is important for the absorption of calcium from the stomach and for the functioning of calcium in the body.

**INDICATION:** It is indicated as a vital calcium supplement in deficiency states i.e. during growth, prevention and adjunct treatment of senile, post-menopausal and corticosteroid induced osteoporosis.

**DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION:** One tablet twice daily or as directed by the physician.

**CONTRAINDICATION:** Shelcal K contraindicated to patients with hypercalcaemia and hypercalciuria, nephrolithiasis, nephrocalciosis, severe renal impairment and renal failure, hypervitaminosis D and hypersensitivity to calcium, calcitriol or to any of the excipients.

**WARNINGS & PRECAUTIONS**: Patients with mild to moderate renal failure or mild hypercalciuria should be supervised carefully, also in patients with a history of renal stones urinary calcium excretion should be measured to exclude hypercalciuria, also caution is required in patients receiving treatment for cardiovascular disease.

**DRUG INTERACTIONS:** Thiazide diuretics drugs can reduce urinary calcium excretion, if taken concomitantaly. Phenytoin, barbiturates and glucocorticoids can decrease the effect of vitamin D. The effects of digitalis and other cardiac glycosides may be accentuated with the oral administration of calcium combined with vitamin D. Calcium salts may reduce the absorption of thyroxine, bisphosphonates, sodium fluoride, quinolone or tetracycycline antibiotics or iron.

**ADVERSE REACTIONS:** Abdominal pain, vomiting, flatulence, nauseas constipations, Tachycardia, palpitation, hypercalciuria and hypersensitivity reaction.

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