

COMPOSITION:* NATRILIX SR®: Indapamide 1.5 mg. Contains lactose as excipient. **INDICATIONS:** * Essential hypertension in adults. **DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION:** * One tablet per 24 hours, preferably in the morning. Renal failure (creatinine clearance < 30 mL/min): contraindicated. Elderly: plasma creatinine must be adjusted in relation to age, weight and sex. Severe hepatic impairment: contraindicated. Children and adolescents: not recommended. **CONTRAINDICATIONS:** * Hypersensitivity to the active substance, to other sulfonamides or to any of the excipients. Severe renal failure. Hepatic encephalopathy or severe impairment of liver function. Hypokalaemia. **WARNINGS:** * *Special warnings:* Hepatic encephalopathy: stop treatment. Photosensitivity: stop treatment. Hereditary problems of galactose intolerance, Lapp lactase deficiency or glucose-galactose malabsorption: should not be taken. *Special precautions for use:* Sodium and potassium levels: to be measured before and during treatment. Hyponatraemia with hypovolaemia may be responsible of dehydration and orthostatic hypotension. Concomitant loss of chloride ions may lead to secondary compensatory metabolic alkalosis. Hypokalaemia: high risk for elderly, malnourished and/or polymedicated, cirrhotic patients with oedema and ascites, patients with coronary artery disease, cardiac failure and long QT interval; first measurement of plasma potassium one week after start of treatment and more frequent monitoring required. Calcium levels: stop treatment before investigating parathyroid function. Hyperuricemia: increased tendency to gout attacks. Renal function: preexisting renal insufficiency may be worsening at start of treatment due to reduction in glomerular filtration. Diabetic patients: monitor blood glucose in the case of hypokalemia. Athletes: may cause positive doping tests. **INTERACTION(S):*** *Not recommended:* lithium. *Precautions for use:* Torsades de pointes-inducing drugs, N.S.A.I.Ds. (systemic route) including COX-2 selective inhibitors and high dose salicylic acid (≥ 3 g/day) in dehydrated patients, angiotensin converting enzyme (A.C.E.) inhibitors, other compounds causing hypokalaemia, baclofen, digitalis preparations. *To be taken into consideration:* Potassium-sparing diuretics, metformin, iodinated contrast media, imipramine-like antidepressants, neuroleptics, calcium (salts), ciclosporin, tacrolimus, corticosteroids, tetracosactide (systemic route). **FERTILITY* / PREGNANCY* / BREASTFEEDING:** * Should be avoided in pregnant women. Can reduce maternal plasma volume and uteroplacental blood flow. Breast-feeding is inadvisable. **EFFECTS ON ABILITY TO DRIVE AND USE MACHINES:*** May be impaired due to the decrease in blood pressure that may occur in individual cases. **UNDESIRABLE EFFECTS:*** *Common:* hypersensitivity reactions, maculopapular rashes. *Uncommon:* vomiting, purpura. *Rare:* vertigo, fatigue, headache, paresthesia, nausea, constipation, dry mouth. *Very rare:* thrombocytopenia, leucopenia, agranulocytosis, aplastic anaemia, haemolytic anaemia, arrhythmia, hypotension, pancreatitis, renal failure, abnormal hepatic function, angioneurotic oedema and/or urticaria, toxic epidermic necrolysis, Steven Johnson syndrome, hypercalcaemia. *Not known:* syncope, myopia, blurred vision, visual impairment, torsade de pointes (potentially fatal), hepatic encephalopathy, hepatitis, possible worsening of pre-existing acute disseminated lupus erythematosus, photosensitivity reactions, electrocardiogram QT prolonged, blood glucose and blood uric acid increased, elevated liver enzyme levels, potassium depletion with hypokalaemia, hyponatraemia with hypovolaemia. **OVERDOSE.* PROPERTIES:*** Sulphonamide, pharmacologically related to thiazide diuretics, which acts by inhibiting the reabsorption of sodium in the cortical dilution segment. Indapamide does not interfere with lipid and carbohydrate metabolism. **PRESENTATION:*** Pack of 30 film-coated tablets in blisters (PVC/aluminium). **SERVIER HONG KONG LIMITED**, Flat 08-09, 43/F, Times Square Tower One, 1 Matheson Street, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong. www.servier.hk * For complete information, please refer to the Summary of Product Characteristics.