

**ANNEX I**  
**SUMMARY OF PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS**

## **1. NAME OF THE MEDICINAL PRODUCT**

Opsumit 10 mg film-coated tablets

## **2. QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE COMPOSITION**

Each film-coated tablet contains 10 mg macitentan.

### Excipients with known effect:

Each film-coated tablet contains approximately 37 mg of lactose (as monohydrate) and approximately 0.06 mg of soya bean lecithin (E322).

For the full list of excipients, see section 6.1.

## **3. PHARMACEUTICAL FORM**

Film-coated tablet (tablet).

5.5 mm, round, biconvex, white to off-white film-coated tablets, debossed with “10” on both sides.

## **4. CLINICAL PARTICULARS**

### **4.1 Therapeutic indications**

Opsumit, as monotherapy or in combination, is indicated for the long-term treatment of pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH) in adult patients of WHO Functional Class (FC) II to III.

Efficacy has been shown in a PAH population including idiopathic and heritable PAH, PAH associated with connective tissue disorders, and PAH associated with corrected simple congenital heart disease (see section 5.1).

### **4.2 Posology and method of administration**

Treatment should only be initiated and monitored by a physician experienced in the treatment of PAH.

#### Posology

The recommended dose is 10 mg once daily.

#### Special populations

##### *Elderly*

No dose adjustment is required in patients over the age of 65 years (see section 5.2). There is limited clinical experience in patients over the age of 75 years. Therefore Opsumit should be used with caution in this population (see section 4.4).

##### *Hepatic impairment*

Based on pharmacokinetic (PK) data, no dose adjustment is required in patients with mild, moderate or severe hepatic impairment (see sections 4.4 and 5.2). However, there is no clinical experience with the use of macitentan in PAH patients with moderate or severe hepatic impairment. Opsumit must not

be initiated in patients with severe hepatic impairment, or clinically significant elevated hepatic aminotransferases (greater than 3 times the Upper Limit of Normal ( $> 3 \times \text{ULN}$ ); see sections 4.3 and 4.4).

#### *Renal impairment*

Based on PK data, no dose adjustment is required in patients with renal impairment. There is no clinical experience with the use of macitentan in PAH patients with severe renal impairment. The use of Opsumit is not recommended in patients undergoing dialysis (see sections 4.4 and 5.2).

#### *Paediatric population*

The safety and efficacy of macitentan in children and adolescents below 18 years have not yet been established. No data are available.

#### Method of administration

The film-coated tablets are not breakable and are to be swallowed whole, with water. They may be taken with or without food.

Opsumit should be taken every day at about the same time. If the patient misses a dose of Opsumit, the patient should be told to take it as soon as possible and then take the next dose at the regularly scheduled time. The patient should be told not to take two doses at the same time if a dose has been missed.

### **4.3 Contraindications**

- Hypersensitivity to the active substance, soya or to any of the excipients listed in section 6.1.
- Pregnancy (see section 4.6).
- Women of childbearing potential who are not using reliable contraception (see sections 4.4 and 4.6).
- Breastfeeding (see section 4.6).
- Patients with severe hepatic impairment (with or without cirrhosis) (see section 4.2).
- Baseline values of hepatic aminotransferases (aspartate aminotransferases (AST) and/or alanine aminotransferases (ALT)  $> 3 \times \text{ULN}$ ) (see sections 4.2 and 4.4).

### **4.4 Special warnings and precautions for use**

The benefit/risk balance of macitentan has not been established in patients with WHO class I functional status of pulmonary arterial hypertension.

#### Liver function

Elevations of liver aminotransferases (AST, ALT) have been associated with PAH and with endothelin receptor antagonists (ERAs). Opsumit is not to be initiated in patients with severe hepatic impairment or elevated aminotransferases ( $> 3 \times \text{ULN}$ ) (see sections 4.2 and 4.3), and is not recommended in patients with moderate hepatic impairment. Liver enzyme tests should be obtained prior to initiation of Opsumit.

Patients should be monitored for signs of hepatic injury and monthly monitoring of ALT and AST is recommended. If sustained, unexplained, clinically relevant aminotransferase elevations occur, or if elevations are accompanied by an increase in bilirubin  $> 2 \times \text{ULN}$ , or by clinical symptoms of liver injury (e.g., jaundice), Opsumit treatment should be discontinued.

Reinitiation of Opsumit may be considered following the return of hepatic enzyme levels to within the normal range in patients who have not experienced clinical symptoms of liver injury. The advice of a hepatologist is recommended.

### Haemoglobin concentration

Decrease in haemoglobin concentrations has been associated with endothelin receptor antagonists (ERAs) including macitentan (see section 4.8). In placebo-controlled studies, macitentan-related decreases in haemoglobin concentration were not progressive, stabilised after the first 4–12 weeks of treatment and remained stable during chronic treatment. Cases of anaemia requiring blood cell transfusion have been reported with macitentan and other ERAs. Initiation of Opsumit is not recommended in patients with severe anaemia. It is recommended that haemoglobin concentrations be measured prior to initiation of treatment and tests repeated during treatment as clinically indicated.

### Pulmonary veno-occlusive disease

Cases of pulmonary oedema have been reported with vasodilators (mainly prostacyclins) when used in patients with pulmonary veno-occlusive disease. Consequently, if signs of pulmonary oedema occur when macitentan is administered in patients with PAH, the possibility of pulmonary veno-occlusive disease should be considered.

### Use in women of childbearing potential

Opsumit treatment should only be initiated in women of childbearing potential when the absence of pregnancy has been verified, appropriate advice on contraception provided, and reliable contraception is practised (see sections 4.3 and 4.6). Women should not become pregnant for 1 month after discontinuation of Opsumit. Monthly pregnancy tests during treatment with Opsumit are recommended to allow the early detection of pregnancy.

### Concomitant use with strong CYP3A4 inducers

In the presence of strong CYP3A4 inducers reduced efficacy of macitentan could occur. The combination of macitentan with strong CYP3A4 inducers (e.g., rifampicin, St. John's wort, carbamazepine, and phenytoin) should be avoided (see section 4.5).

### Concomitant use with strong CYP3A4 inhibitors

Caution should be exercised when macitentan is administered concomitantly with strong CYP3A4 inhibitors (e.g., itraconazole, ketoconazole, voriconazole, clarithromycin, telithromycin, nefazodone, ritonavir, and saquinavir) (see section 4.5).

### Renal impairment

Patients with renal impairment may run a higher risk of experiencing hypotension and anaemia during treatment with macitentan. Therefore, monitoring of blood pressure and haemoglobin should be considered. There is no clinical experience with the use of macitentan in PAH patients with severe renal impairment. Caution is recommended in this population. There is no experience with the use of macitentan in patients undergoing dialysis, therefore Opsumit is not recommended in this population (see sections 4.2 and 5.2).

### Elderly

There is limited clinical experience with macitentan in patients over the age of 75 years, therefore Opsumit should be used with caution in this population (see section 4.2).

### Excipients

Opsumit contains lactose. Patients with rare hereditary problems of galactose intolerance, total lactase deficiency or glucose-galactose malabsorption should not take this medicinal product.

Opsumit contains soya bean lecithin. If a patient is hypersensitive to soya, Opsumit must not be used (see section 4.3).

This medicinal product contains less than 1 mmol sodium (23 mg) per tablet, that is to say essentially 'sodium-free'.

#### **4.5 Interaction with other medicinal products and other forms of interaction**

##### *In vitro* studies

The cytochrome P450 enzymes CYP3A4, CYP2C8, CYP2C9, and CYP2C19 are involved in the metabolism of macitentan and formation of its metabolites (see section 5.2). Macitentan and its active metabolite do not have clinically relevant inhibitory or inducing effects on cytochrome P450 enzymes.

Macitentan and its active metabolite are not inhibitors of hepatic or renal uptake transporters at clinically relevant concentrations, including the organic anion transporting polypeptides (OATP1B1 and OATP1B3). Macitentan and its active metabolite are not relevant substrates of OATP1B1 and OATP1B3, but enter the liver by passive diffusion.

Macitentan and its active metabolite are not inhibitors of hepatic or renal efflux pumps at clinically relevant concentrations, including the multi-drug resistance protein (P-gp, MDR-1) and multidrug and toxin extrusion transporters (MATE1 and MATE2-K). Macitentan inhibits the breast cancer resistance protein (BCRP) at clinically relevant intestinal concentrations. Macitentan is not a substrate for P-gp/MDR-1.

At clinically relevant concentrations, macitentan and its active metabolite do not interact with proteins involved in hepatic bile salt transport, i.e., the bile salt export pump (BSEP) and the sodium-dependent taurocholate co-transporting polypeptide (NTCP).

##### *In vivo* studies

*Strong CYP3A4 inducers:* Concomitant treatment with rifampicin 600 mg daily, a potent inducer of CYP3A4, reduced the steady-state exposure to macitentan by 79% but did not affect the exposure to the active metabolite. Reduced efficacy of macitentan in the presence of a potent inducer of CYP3A4 such as rifampicin should be considered. The combination of macitentan with strong CYP3A4 inducers should be avoided (see section 4.4).

*Ketoconazole:* In the presence of ketoconazole 400 mg once daily, a strong CYP3A4 inhibitor, exposure to macitentan increased approximately 2-fold. The predicted increase was approximately 3-fold in the presence of ketoconazole 200 mg twice daily using physiologically based pharmacokinetic (PBPK) modelling. The uncertainties of such modelling should be considered. Exposure to the active metabolite of macitentan was reduced by 26%. Caution should be exercised when macitentan is administered concomitantly with strong CYP3A4 inhibitors (see section 4.4).

*Warfarin:* Macitentan given as multiple doses of 10 mg once daily had no effect on exposure to S-warfarin (CYP2C9 substrate) or R-warfarin (CYP3A4 substrate) after a single dose of 25 mg warfarin. The pharmacodynamic effect of warfarin on International Normalised Ratio (INR) was not affected by macitentan. The pharmacokinetics of macitentan and its active metabolite were not affected by warfarin.

*Sildenafil:* At steady-state, the exposure to sildenafil 20 mg three times a day was increased by 15% during concomitant administration of macitentan 10 mg once daily. Sildenafil, a CYP3A4 substrate, did not affect the pharmacokinetics of macitentan, while there was a 15% reduction in the exposure to the active metabolite of macitentan. These changes are not considered clinically relevant. In a placebo-controlled trial in patients with PAH, the efficacy and safety of macitentan in combination with sildenafil were demonstrated.

*Cyclosporine A*: Concomitant treatment with cyclosporine A 100 mg twice daily, a combined CYP3A4 and OATP inhibitor, did not alter the steady-state exposure to macitentan and its active metabolite to a clinically relevant extent.

*Hormonal contraceptives*: Macitentan 10 mg once daily did not affect the pharmacokinetics of an oral contraceptive (norethisterone 1 mg and ethinyl estradiol 35 µg).

#### Paediatric population

Interaction studies have only been performed in adults.

### **4.6 Fertility, pregnancy, and lactation**

#### Use in women of childbearing potential/Contraception in males and females

Opsumit treatment should only be initiated in women of childbearing potential when the absence of pregnancy has been verified, appropriate advice on contraception provided, and reliable contraception is practised (see sections 4.3 and 4.4). Women should not become pregnant for 1 month after discontinuation of Opsumit. Monthly pregnancy tests during treatment with Opsumit are recommended to allow the early detection of pregnancy.

#### Pregnancy

There are no data from the use of macitentan in pregnant women. Studies in animals have shown reproductive toxicity (see section 5.3). The potential risk for humans is still unknown. Opsumit is contraindicated during pregnancy and in women of childbearing potential who are not using reliable contraception (see section 4.3).

#### Breastfeeding

It is unknown whether macitentan is excreted in human milk. In rats, macitentan and its metabolites are excreted into milk during lactation (see section 5.3). A risk to the breastfeeding child cannot be excluded. Opsumit is contraindicated during breastfeeding (see section 4.3).

#### Male fertility

The development of testicular tubular atrophy in male animals was observed after treatment with macitentan (see section 5.3). The relevance of this finding to humans is unknown, but a deterioration of spermatogenesis cannot be excluded.

### **4.7 Effects on ability to drive and use machines**

Macitentan has minor influence on the ability to drive and use machines. No studies on the effects on the ability to drive and use machines have been performed. However, undesirable effects may occur (e.g., headache, hypotension) that may influence the ability to drive and use machines (see section 4.8).

### **4.8 Undesirable effects**

#### Summary of the safety profile.

The most commonly reported adverse reactions are nasopharyngitis (14%), headache (13.6%) and anaemia (13.2%, see section 4.4). The majority of adverse reactions are mild to moderate in intensity.

#### Tabulated list of adverse reactions

The safety of macitentan has been evaluated in a long-term placebo-controlled trial of 742 patients with symptomatic PAH. The mean treatment duration was 103.9 weeks in the macitentan 10 mg group, and 85.3 weeks in the placebo group. Adverse reactions associated with macitentan obtained from this clinical study are tabulated below.

Frequencies are defined as: very common ( $\geq 1/10$ ); common ( $\geq 1/100$  to  $< 1/10$ ); uncommon ( $\geq 1/1,000$  to  $< 1/100$ ); rare ( $\geq 1/10,000$  to  $< 1/1,000$ ); very rare ( $< 1/10,000$ ); not known (cannot be estimated from the available data).

System organ class	Frequency	Adverse reaction
Infections and infestations	Very common	Nasopharyngitis
	Very common	Bronchitis
	Common	Pharyngitis
	Common	Influenza
	Common	Urinary tract infection
Blood and lymphatic system disorders	Very common	Anaemia, haemoglobin decrease <sup>5</sup>
	Common	Leukopenia <sup>6</sup>
	Common	Thrombocytopenia <sup>7</sup>
Hepatobiliary disorders	Common	Aminotransferase elevations <sup>4</sup>
Immune system disorders	Uncommon	Hypersensitivity reactions (e.g., angioedema, pruritus, rash) <sup>1</sup>
Nervous system disorders	Very common	Headache
Vascular disorders	Common	Hypotension <sup>2</sup>
Respiratory, thoracic and mediastinal disorders	Common	Nasal congestion <sup>1</sup>
General disorders and administration site conditions	Very common	Oedema, fluid retention <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Data derived from pooled placebo-controlled studies.

#### Description of selected adverse reactions

<sup>2</sup> Hypotension has been associated with the use of ERAs including macitentan. In a long-term double-blind study in patients with PAH, hypotension was reported for 7.0% and 4.4% of patients on macitentan 10 mg and placebo, respectively. This corresponded to 3.5 events / 100 patient-years on macitentan 10 mg compared to 2.7 events / 100 patient-years on placebo.

<sup>3</sup> Oedema/fluid retention has been associated with the use of ERAs including macitentan. In a long-term double-blind study in patients with PAH, the incidence of oedema AEs in the macitentan 10 mg and placebo treatment groups was 21.9% and 20.5%, respectively. In a double-blind study in patients with idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis, the incidence of peripheral oedema AEs in the macitentan and placebo treatment groups was 11.8% and 6.8%, respectively. In two double-blind clinical studies in patients with digital ulcers associated with systemic sclerosis, the incidences of peripheral oedema AEs ranged from 13.4% to 16.1% in the macitentan 10 mg groups and from 6.2% to 4.5% in the placebo groups.

## ***Laboratory abnormalities***

### **<sup>4</sup> Liver aminotransferases**

The incidence of aminotransferase elevations (ALT/AST)  $> 3 \times \text{ULN}$  was 3.4% on macitentan 10 mg and 4.5% on placebo in a double-blind study in patients with PAH. Elevations  $> 5 \times \text{ULN}$  occurred in 2.5% of patients on macitentan 10 mg versus 2% of patients on placebo.

### **<sup>5</sup> Haemoglobin**

In a double-blind study in patients with PAH, macitentan 10 mg was associated with a mean decrease in haemoglobin versus placebo of 1 g/dL. A decrease from baseline in haemoglobin concentration to below 10 g/dL was reported in 8.7% of patients treated with macitentan 10 mg and 3.4% of placebo-treated patients.

### **<sup>6</sup> White blood cells**

In a double-blind study in patients with PAH, macitentan 10 mg was associated with a decrease in mean leucocyte count from baseline of  $0.7 \times 10^9/\text{L}$  versus no change in placebo-treated patients.

### **<sup>7</sup> Platelets**

In a double-blind study in patients with PAH, macitentan 10 mg was associated with a decrease in mean platelet count of  $17 \times 10^9/\text{L}$ , versus a mean decrease of  $11 \times 10^9/\text{L}$  in placebo-treated patients.

## **Paediatric population**

The safety of macitentan in children and adolescents below 18 years has not yet been established.

## **Reporting of suspected adverse reactions**

Reporting suspected adverse reactions after authorisation of the medicinal product is important. It allows continued monitoring of the benefit/risk balance of the medicinal product. Healthcare professionals are asked to report any suspected adverse reactions via [the national reporting system listed in Appendix V](#).

## **4.9 Overdose**

Macitentan has been administered as a single dose of up to 600 mg to healthy subjects. Adverse reactions of headache, nausea, and vomiting were observed. In the event of an overdose, standard supportive measures must be taken, as required. Due to the high degree of protein binding of macitentan, dialysis is unlikely to be effective.

## **5. PHARMACOLOGICAL PROPERTIES**

### **5.1 Pharmacodynamic properties**

Pharmacotherapeutic group: anti-hypertensives, anti-hypertensives for pulmonary arterial hypertension. ATC code: C02KX04.

### **Mechanism of action**

Endothelin (ET)-1 and its receptors (ET<sub>A</sub> and ET<sub>B</sub>) mediate a variety of effects such as vasoconstriction, fibrosis, proliferation, hypertrophy, and inflammation. In disease conditions such as PAH, the local ET system is upregulated and is involved in vascular hypertrophy and in organ damage.



Macitentan is an orally active potent endothelin receptor antagonist, active on both ET<sub>A</sub> and ET<sub>B</sub> receptors and approximately 100-fold more selective for ET<sub>A</sub> as compared to ET<sub>B</sub> *in vitro*. Macitentan displays high affinity and sustained occupancy of the ET receptors in human pulmonary arterial smooth muscle cells. This prevents endothelin-mediated activation of second messenger systems that result in vasoconstriction and smooth muscle cell proliferation.

### Clinical efficacy and safety

#### *Efficacy in patients with pulmonary arterial hypertension*

A multicenter, double-blind, placebo-controlled, parallel-group, event-driven, Phase 3 outcome study (AC-055-302/SERAPHIN) was conducted in 742 patients with symptomatic PAH, who were randomised to three treatment groups (placebo [N = 250], 3 mg [N = 250] or 10 mg [N = 242] of macitentan once daily), to assess the long-term effect on morbidity or mortality.

At baseline, the majority of enrolled patients (64%) were treated with a stable dose of specific therapy for PAH, either oral phosphodiesterase inhibitors (61%) and/or inhaled/oral prostanoids (6%).

The primary endpoint was the time to first occurrence of a morbidity or mortality event, up to the end of double-blind treatment, defined as death, or atrial septostomy, or lung transplantation, or initiation of intravenous (i.v.) or subcutaneous (s.c.) prostanoids, or other worsening of PAH. Other worsening of PAH was defined as the presence of all of the three following components: a sustained decrease in 6-minute walk distance (6MWD) of at least 15% from baseline; worsening of PAH symptoms (worsening of WHO FC or right heart failure); and need for new treatment for PAH. All events were confirmed by an independent adjudication committee, blinded to treatment allocation.

All patients were followed up to end-of-study (EOS) for vital status. EOS was declared when the predefined number of primary endpoint events was reached. In the period between end-of-treatment (EOT) and EOS, patients could receive open-label macitentan 10 mg or alternative PAH therapy. The overall median double-blind treatment duration was 115 weeks (up to a maximum of 188 weeks on macitentan).

The mean age of all patients was 46 years (range 12–85 years of age, including 20 patients below 18, 706 patients between 18–74 years, and 16 patients aged 75 and older) with the majority of subjects being Caucasian (55%) and female (77%). Approximately 52%, 46%, and 2% of patients were in WHO FC II, III, and IV, respectively.

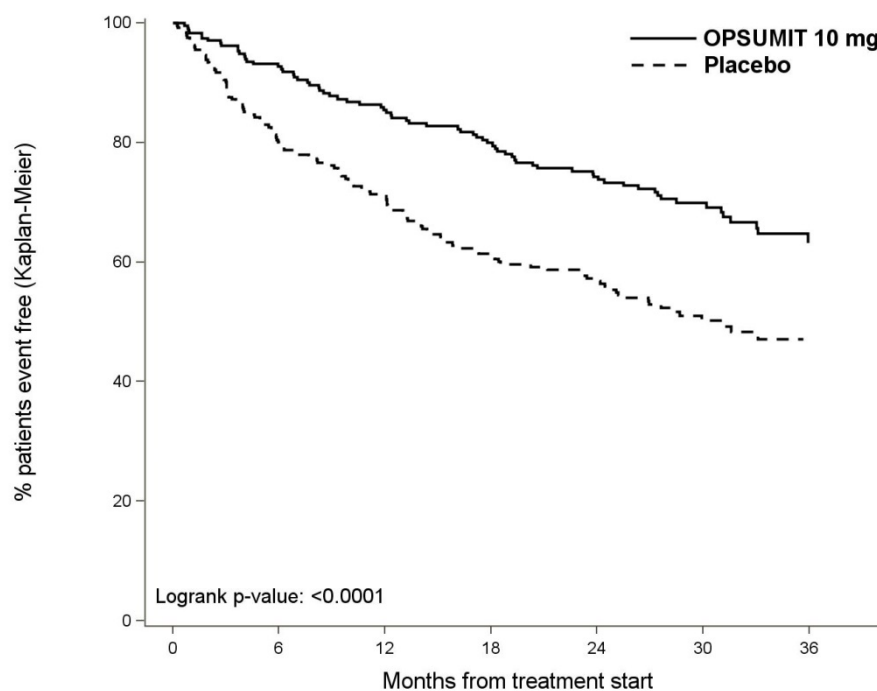
Idiopathic or heritable PAH was the most common aetiology in the study population (57%), followed by PAH due to connective tissue disorders (31%), PAH associated with corrected simple congenital heart disease (8%), and PAH associated with other aetiologies (medicinal products and toxins [3%] and HIV [1%]).

### Outcome endpoints

Treatment with macitentan 10 mg resulted in a 45% risk reduction (hazard ratio [HR] 0.55; 97.5% CI: 0.39 to 0.76; logrank  $p < 0.0001$ ) of the composite morbidity-mortality endpoint up to EOT when compared to placebo [Figure 1 and Table 1]. The treatment effect was established early and was sustained.

Efficacy of macitentan 10 mg on the primary endpoint was consistent across subgroups of age, sex, ethnic origin, geographical region, aetiology, by monotherapy or in combination with another PAH therapy and by WHO FC (I/II and III/IV).

**Figure 1 Kaplan-Meier estimates of the first morbidity-mortality event in SERAPHIN**



Number at risk		0	6	12	18	24	30	36
OPSUMIT 10 mg	242	208	187	171	155	91	41	
Placebo	250	188	160	135	122	64	23	

**Table 1 Summary of outcome events**

Endpoints & statistics	Patients with events		Treatment comparison: macitentan 10 mg vs placebo			
	Placebo (N = 250)	Macitentan 10 mg (N = 242)	Absolute risk reduction	Relative risk reduction (97.5% CI)	HR <sup>a</sup> (97.5% CI)	Logrank p-value
<b>Morbidity-mortality event<sup>b</sup></b>	53%	37%	16%	45% (24%; 61%)	0.55 (0.39; 0.76)	< 0.0001
<b>Death<sup>c</sup> n (%)</b>	19 (7.6%)	14 (5.8%)	2%	36% (-42%; 71%)	0.64 (0.29; 1.42)	0.20
<b>Worsening of PAH n (%)</b>	93 (37.2%)	59 (24.4%)	13%	49% (27%, 65%)	0.51 (0.35; 0.73)	< 0.0001
<b>i.v./s.c. prostanoid initiation n (%)</b>	6 (2.4%)	1 (0.4%)	2%			

<sup>a</sup> = based on Cox's Proportional Hazards Model  
<sup>b</sup> = % of patients with an event at 36 months = 100 × (1 - KM estimate)  
<sup>c</sup> = all cause death up to EOT regardless of prior worsening

The number of deaths of all causes up to EOS on macitentan 10 mg was 35 versus 44 on placebo (HR 0.77; 97.5% CI: 0.46 to 1.28).

The risk of PAH related death or hospitalisation for PAH up to EOT was reduced by 50% (HR 0.50; 97.5% CI: 0.34 to 0.75; logrank p < 0.0001) in patients receiving macitentan 10 mg (50 events)

compared to placebo (84 events). At 36 months, 44.6% of patients on placebo and 29.4% of patients on macitentan 10 mg (Absolute Risk Reduction = 15.2%) had been hospitalised for PAH or died from a PAH-related cause.

### Symptomatic endpoints

Exercise capacity was evaluated as a secondary endpoint. Treatment with macitentan 10 mg at Month 6 resulted in a placebo-corrected mean increase in 6MWD of 22 meters (97.5% CI: 3 to 41;  $p = 0.0078$ ). Evaluation of 6MWD by functional class resulted in a placebo-corrected mean increase from baseline to Month 6 in FC III/IV patients of 37 meters (97.5% CI: 5 to 69) and in FC I/II of 12 meters (97.5% CI: -8 to 33). The increase in 6MWD achieved with macitentan was maintained for the duration of the study.

Treatment with macitentan 10 mg at Month 6 led to a 74% higher chance of WHO FC improvement relative to placebo (risk ratio 1.74; 97.5% CI: 1.10 to 2.74;  $p = 0.0063$ ).

Macitentan 10 mg improved quality of life assessed by the SF-36 questionnaire.

### Haemodynamic endpoints

Haemodynamic parameters were assessed in a subset of patients (placebo [N = 67], macitentan 10 mg [N = 57]) after 6 months of treatment. Patients treated with macitentan 10 mg achieved a median reduction of 36.5% (97.5% CI: 21.7 to 49.2%) in pulmonary vascular resistance and an increase of 0.58 L/min/m<sup>2</sup> (97.5% CI: 0.28 to 0.93 L/min/m<sup>2</sup>) in cardiac index compared to placebo.

### Paediatric population

The European Medicines Agency has deferred the obligation to submit the results of studies with macitentan in all subsets of the paediatric population for PAH (see section 4.2 for information on paediatric use).

## **5.2 Pharmacokinetic properties**

The pharmacokinetics of macitentan and its active metabolite have mainly been documented in healthy subjects. Exposure to macitentan in patients with PAH was approximately 1.2-fold greater than in healthy subjects. The exposure to the active metabolite in patients, which is approximately 5-fold less potent than macitentan, was approximately 1.3-fold higher than in healthy subjects. The pharmacokinetics of macitentan in PAH patients were not influenced by the severity of the disease.

After repeated administration, the pharmacokinetics of macitentan are dose-proportional up to and including 30 mg.

### Absorption

Maximum plasma concentrations of macitentan are achieved about 8 hours after administration. Thereafter, plasma concentrations of macitentan and its active metabolite decrease slowly, with an apparent elimination half-life of approximately 16 hours and 48 hours, respectively.

In healthy subjects, the exposure to macitentan and its active metabolite is unchanged in the presence of food and, therefore, macitentan may be taken with or without food.

### Distribution

Macitentan and its active metabolite are highly bound to plasma proteins (> 99%), primarily to albumin and to a lesser extent to alpha1-acid glycoprotein. Macitentan and its active metabolite ACT-132577 are well distributed into tissues as indicated by an apparent volume of distribution (V<sub>ss/F</sub>) of approximately 50 L and 40 L for macitentan and ACT-132577, respectively.

### Biotransformation

Macitentan has four primary metabolic pathways. Oxidative depropylation of the sulfamide yields a pharmacologically active metabolite. This reaction is dependent on the cytochrome P450 system, mainly CYP3A4 (approximately 99%) with minor contributions of CYP2C8, CYP2C9 and CYP2C19. The active metabolite circulates in human plasma and may contribute to the pharmacological effect. Other metabolic pathways yield products without pharmacological activity. Several members of the CYP2C family, namely CYP2C8, CYP2C9 and CYP2C19, as well as CYP3A4, are involved in the formation of these metabolites.

### Elimination

Macitentan is only excreted after extensive metabolism. The major excretion route is via urine, accounting for about 50% of the dose.

### Special populations

There is no clinically relevant effect of age, sex or ethnic origin on the pharmacokinetics of macitentan and its active metabolite.

### Renal impairment

Exposure to macitentan and its active metabolite was increased by 1.3- and 1.6-fold, respectively, in patients with severe renal impairment. This increase is not considered clinically relevant (see sections 4.2 and 4.4).

### Hepatic impairment

Exposure to macitentan was decreased by 21%, 34%, and 6% and, for the active metabolite by 20%, 25%, and 25% in subjects with mild, moderate or severe hepatic impairment, respectively. This decrease is not considered clinically relevant (see sections 4.2 and 4.4).

## **5.3 Preclinical safety data**

In dogs, macitentan decreased blood pressure at exposures similar to the therapeutic human exposure. Intimal thickening of coronary arteries was observed at 17-fold the human exposure after 4 to 39 weeks of treatment. Due to the species-specific sensitivity and the safety margin, this finding is considered not relevant for humans.

Increased liver weight and hepatocellular hypertrophy were observed in mice, rats and dogs after treatment with macitentan. These changes were largely reversible and considered non-adverse adaptations of the liver to increased metabolic demand.

Macitentan induced minimal to slight mucosal hyperplasia and inflammatory infiltration in the submucosa of the nasal cavity in the mouse carcinogenicity study at all doses. No nasal cavity findings were noted in the 3-month mouse toxicity study or in rat and dog studies.

Macitentan was not genotoxic in a standard battery of *in vitro* and *in vivo* assays. Macitentan was not phototoxic *in vivo* after single dose at exposures of up to 24-fold the human exposure. Carcinogenicity studies of 2 years' duration did not reveal a carcinogenic potential at exposures 18-fold and 116-fold the human exposure in rats and mice, respectively.

Testicular tubular dilatation was observed in chronic toxicity studies with male rats and dogs with safety margins of 11.6 and 5.8, respectively. Tubular dilatation was fully reversible. After 2 years of treatment, testicular tubular atrophy was seen in rats at 4-fold the human exposure. Hypospermatogenesis was observed in the life-long carcinogenicity study in rats and in the repeat-

dose toxicity studies in dogs at exposures that provide safety margins of 9.7 in rats and 23 in dogs. The safety margins for fertility were 18 for male and 44 for female rats. No testicular findings were noted in mice after treatment up to 2 years. The effect of macitentan on human male fertility is not known (section 4.6).

Macitentan was teratogenic in rabbits and rats at all doses tested. In both species there were cardiovascular and mandibular arch fusion abnormalities.

Administration of macitentan to female rats from late pregnancy through lactation at maternal exposures 5-fold the human exposure, caused reduced pup survival and impairment of the reproductive capability of the offspring, which was exposed to macitentan during late intrauterine life and via the milk during the suckling period.

Treatment of juvenile rats from postnatal Day 4 to Day 114 caused reduced body weight gain leading to secondary effects on development (slight delay of descensus testis, reversible reduction of long-bone length, prolonged estrous cycle). Slightly increased pre- and post-implantation loss, decreased mean number of pups, and decreased testis and epididymis weights, were observed at exposures 7-fold the human exposure. Testicular tubular atrophy, and minimal effects on reproductive variables and sperm morphology were recorded at exposures 3.8-fold the human exposure.

## **6. PHARMACEUTICAL PARTICULARS**

### **6.1 List of excipients**

#### Tablet core

Lactose monohydrate  
Microcrystalline cellulose (E460i)  
Sodium starch glycolate Type A  
Povidone K-30  
Magnesium stearate (E572)  
Polysorbate 80 (E433)

#### Film coating

Poly(vinyl-alcohol) (E1203)  
Titanium dioxide (E171)  
Talc (E553b)  
Soya bean lecithin (E322)  
Xanthan gum (E415)

### **6.2 Incompatibilities**

Not applicable.

### **6.3 Shelf life**

5 years.

### **6.4 Special precautions for storage**

Do not store above 30 °C.

## **6.5 Nature and contents of container**

White, opaque PVC/PE/PVdC/Aluminium blisters in cartons containing 15 or 30 film-coated tablets.

White high-density polyethylene (HDPE) bottles with child-resistant closure and a silica gel desiccant. Cartons containing 1 bottle of 30 film-coated tablets.

Not all pack sizes may be marketed.

## **6.6 Special precautions for disposal and other handling**

No special requirements.

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## **9. DATE OF FIRST AUTHORISATION/RENEWAL OF THE AUTHORISATION**

Date of first authorisation: 20 December 2013

Date of latest renewal:

## **10. DATE OF REVISION OF THE TEXT**

Detailed information on this medicinal product is available on the website of the European Medicines Agency <http://www.ema.europa.eu>.

**ANNEX II**

- A. MANUFACTURER(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR BATCH RELEASE**
- B. CONDITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS REGARDING SUPPLY AND USE**
- C. OTHER CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS OF THE MARKETING AUTHORISATION**
- D. CONDITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS WITH REGARD TO THE SAFE AND EFFECTIVE USE OF THE MEDICINAL PRODUCT**

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The printed package leaflet of the medicinal product must state the name and address of the manufacturer responsible for the release of the concerned batch.

## **B. CONDITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS REGARDING SUPPLY AND USE**

Medicinal product subject to restricted medical prescription (see Annex I: Summary of Product Characteristics, section 4.2).

## **C. OTHER CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS OF THE MARKETING AUTHORISATION**

- **Periodic Safety Update Reports**

The requirements for submission of periodic safety updated reports for this medicinal product are set out in the list of Union reference dates (EURD list) provided for under Article 107c(7) of Directive 2001/83/EC and any subsequent updates published on the European medicines web-portal.

## **D. CONDITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS WITH REGARD TO THE SAFE AND EFFECTIVE USE OF THE MEDICINAL PRODUCT**

- **Risk Management Plan (RMP)**

The MAH shall perform the required pharmacovigilance activities and interventions detailed in the agreed RMP presented in Module 1.8.2 of the Marketing Authorisation and any agreed subsequent updates of the RMP.

An updated RMP should be submitted:

- At the request of the European Medicines Agency;
- Whenever the risk management system is modified, especially as the result of new information being received that may lead to a significant change to the benefit/risk profile or as the result of an important (pharmacovigilance or risk minimisation) milestone being reached.
- **Additional risk minimisation measures**

The MAH shall agree the details of the Prescriber kit and a controlled distribution system with the National Competent Authority and implement it prior to launch in that Member State. The MAH shall ensure that prior to prescribing all healthcare professionals who intend to prescribe and/or dispense Opsumit are provided with a Prescriber Kit containing the following:

- The Summary of Product Characteristics for Opsumit;



- Prescribing checklists;
- Healthcare Professional brochure containing information about Opsumit;
- Patient reminder cards.

The Prescribing Checklist should remind prescribers of the contraindications, warnings and precautions as well as the following key elements:

- To provide patients with appropriate information regarding the safe use of the product;
- To ensure females of childbearing potential are not pregnant and are on reliable contraception prior to starting Opsumit;
- To provide patients with the patient card;
- The need for baseline and monthly pregnancy tests and monitoring of haemoglobin levels and liver function.

The Healthcare Professionals brochure should contain the following key elements:

- That patients should be capable of complying with the requirements for the safe use of Opsumit;
- The risk of anaemia, hepatotoxicity and teratogenicity and the need for reliable contraception;
- The need for baseline and:
  - monthly pregnancy tests;
  - regular monitoring of haemoglobin levels;
  - regular monitoring of liver function;
- The importance of telling patients to report immediately any possible pregnancy that occurs during Opsumit use.

The Patient Reminder Card for patients prescribed Opsumit should include the following key elements:

- That Opsumit is teratogenic in animals;
- That pregnant women must not take Opsumit;
- That women of childbearing potential must use reliable contraception;
- The need for monthly pregnancy tests;
- The need for regular blood tests because Opsumit causes a decrease in haemoglobin;
- The need for regular monitoring of liver function because Opsumit has hepatotoxic potential.

**ANNEX III**  
**LABELLING AND PACKAGE LEAFLET**

## **A. LABELLING**

**PARTICULARS TO APPEAR ON THE OUTER PACKAGING**

**OUTER CARTON for BLISTERS**

**1. NAME OF THE MEDICINAL PRODUCT**

Opsumit 10 mg film-coated tablets

macitentan

**2. STATEMENT OF ACTIVE SUBSTANCE(S)**

Each film-coated tablet contains 10 mg macitentan

**3. LIST OF EXCIPIENTS**

Also contains lactose and soya bean lecithin (E322). See package leaflet for further information

**4. PHARMACEUTICAL FORM AND CONTENTS**

15 film-coated tablets

30 film-coated tablets

**5. METHOD AND ROUTE(S) OF ADMINISTRATION**

Read the package leaflet before use

Oral use

**6. SPECIAL WARNING THAT THE MEDICINAL PRODUCT MUST BE STORED OUT OF THE SIGHT AND REACH OF CHILDREN**

Keep out of the sight and reach of children

**7. OTHER SPECIAL WARNING(S), IF NECESSARY**

**8. EXPIRY DATE**

EXP

**9. SPECIAL STORAGE CONDITIONS**

Do not store above 30 °C

**10. SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS FOR DISPOSAL OF UNUSED MEDICINAL PRODUCTS OR WASTE MATERIALS DERIVED FROM SUCH MEDICINAL PRODUCTS, IF APPROPRIATE**

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**13. BATCH NUMBER**

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**14. GENERAL CLASSIFICATION FOR SUPPLY**

**15. INSTRUCTIONS ON USE**

**16. INFORMATION IN BRAILLE**

Opsumit 10 mg

**17. UNIQUE IDENTIFIER – 2D BARCODE**

2D barcode carrying the unique identifier included.

**18. UNIQUE IDENTIFIER – HUMAN READABLE DATA**

PC:  
SN:  
NN:

**MINIMUM PARTICULARS TO APPEAR ON BLISTERS OR STRIPS**

**BLISTERS**

**1. NAME OF THE MEDICINAL PRODUCT**

Opsumit 10 mg tablets

macitentan

**2. NAME OF THE MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER**

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**3. EXPIRY DATE**

EXP

**4. BATCH NUMBER, DONATION AND PRODUCT CODES**

Lot

**5. OTHER**

**PARTICULARS TO APPEAR ON THE OUTER PACKAGING AND THE IMMEDIATE PACKAGING**

**OUTER CARTON/BOTTLE**

**1. NAME OF THE MEDICINAL PRODUCT**

Opsumit 10 mg film-coated tablets

macitentan

**2. STATEMENT OF ACTIVE SUBSTANCE(S)**

Each film-coated tablet contains 10 mg macitentan

**3. LIST OF EXCIPIENTS**

Also contains lactose and soya bean lecithin (E322). See package leaflet for further information

**4. PHARMACEUTICAL FORM AND CONTENTS**

30 film-coated tablets

**5. METHOD AND ROUTE(S) OF ADMINISTRATION**

Read the package leaflet before use

Oral use

**6. SPECIAL WARNING THAT THE MEDICINAL PRODUCT MUST BE STORED OUT OF THE SIGHT AND REACH OF CHILDREN**

Keep out of the sight and reach of children

**7. OTHER SPECIAL WARNING(S), IF NECESSARY**

**8. EXPIRY DATE**

EXP

**9. SPECIAL STORAGE CONDITIONS**

Do not store above 30 °C

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## Patient Card

### Page 1 (front)

For the treatment of pulmonary arterial hypertension

This card contains important safety information you need to be aware of when receiving treatment with Opsumit. Carry this card with you at all times and show it to any doctor involved in your medical care.

**Opsumit® 10 mg**  
macitentan  
film-coated tablets

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### Page 2

**It is important that you report immediately to your prescribing doctor pregnancy or any side effects that may occur during treatment with Opsumit.**

Treatment centre: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of prescribing doctor: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number of prescribing doctor: \_\_\_\_\_

### Page 3 (inside left)

#### **Pregnancy**

Opsumit may harm the development of the foetus. Therefore you must not take Opsumit if you are pregnant and you must also not become pregnant while taking Opsumit. Moreover, if you are suffering from pulmonary arterial hypertension, the occurrence of a pregnancy can severely deteriorate the symptoms of your disease.

#### **Contraception**

You need to use a reliable form of birth control (contraception) while you are taking Opsumit. Be sure to discuss any questions you may have with your doctor.

### Page 4 (inside centre)

You should have a pregnancy test before initiation of Opsumit and every month during treatment even if you think that you are not pregnant.

Like other medicines of this class, Opsumit can induce anaemia (a reduced number of red blood cells) and can have effects on the liver. Your doctor will take blood test before you start treatment with Opsumit and during treatment to test:

- whether you have anaemia (a reduced number of red blood cells)
- whether your liver is working properly

### Page 5 (inside right)

Signs that your liver may not be working properly include:

- nausea (urge to vomit)
- vomiting
- fever (high temperature)
- pain in your stomach (abdomen)
- jaundice (yellowing of your skin or the whites of your eyes)
- dark-coloured urine
- itching of your skin
- lethargy or fatigue (unusual tiredness or exhaustion)
- flu-like syndrome (joint and muscle pain with fever)

**If you notice any of these signs, tell your doctor immediately.**

### Page 6 (back)

The recommended dose of Opsumit is one 10 mg tablet, once a day. Swallow the whole tablet, with a glass of water, do not chew or break the tablet. You can take Opsumit with or without food.

If you forget to take Opsumit, take a dose as soon as you remember, then continue to take your tablets at the usual times. Do not take a double dose to make up for a forgotten tablet.

**For more information on Opsumit, please read carefully the patient information leaflet.**

**If you have any question about your treatment, ask your doctor or pharmacist.**

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**B. PACKAGE LEAFLET**

## Package leaflet: information for the user

### Opsumit 10 mg film-coated tablets macitentan

**Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start taking this medicine because it contains important information for you.**

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- If you have any further questions, ask your doctor or pharmacist.
- This medicine has been prescribed for you only. Do not pass it on to others. It may harm them, even if their signs of illness are the same as yours.
- If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor or pharmacist. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. See section 4.

#### What is in this leaflet

1. What Opsumit is and what it is used for
2. What you need to know before you take Opsumit
3. How to take Opsumit
4. Possible side effects
5. How to store Opsumit
6. Contents of the pack and other information

#### 1. What Opsumit is and what it is used for

Opsumit contains the active substance macitentan, which belongs to the class of medicines called “endothelin receptor antagonists”.

Opsumit is used for the long-term treatment of pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH) in adults; it can be used on its own or with other medicines for PAH. PAH is high blood pressure in the blood vessels that carry blood from the heart to the lungs (the pulmonary arteries). In people with PAH, these arteries get narrower, so the heart has to work harder to pump blood through them. This causes people to feel tired, dizzy, and short of breath.

Opsumit widens the pulmonary arteries, making it easier for the heart to pump blood through them. This lowers the blood pressure, relieves the symptoms and improves the course of the disease.

#### 2. What you need to know before you take Opsumit

##### Do not take Opsumit:

- if you are allergic to macitentan, soya or any of the other ingredients of this medicine (listed in section 6).
- if you are pregnant, if you are planning to become pregnant, or if you could become pregnant because you are not using reliable birth control (contraception). See section ‘Pregnancy and breastfeeding’.
- if you are breastfeeding. See section ‘Pregnancy and breastfeeding’.
- if you have liver disease or if you have very high levels of liver enzymes in your blood. Talk to your doctor, who will decide whether this medicine is suitable for you.

If any of these apply to you, please tell your doctor.

##### Warnings and precautions:

Talk to your doctor or pharmacist before taking Opsumit.

**You will need blood tests, as indicated by your doctor:**

Your doctor will take blood test before you start treatment with Opsumit and during treatment to test:

- whether you have anaemia (a reduced number of red blood cells)
- whether your liver is working properly

If you have anaemia (a reduced number of red blood cells), you may have the following signs:

- dizziness
- fatigue/malaise/weakness
- fast heart rate, palpitations
- pallor

If you notice any of these signs, **tell your doctor.**

Signs that your liver may not be working properly include:

- feeling sick (nausea)
- vomiting
- fever
- pain in your stomach (abdomen)
- yellowing of your skin or the whites of your eyes (jaundice)
- dark-coloured urine
- itching of your skin
- unusual tiredness or exhaustion (lethargy or fatigue)
- flu-like syndrome (joint and muscle pain with fever)

If you notice any of these signs, **tell your doctor immediately.**

If you have kidney problems, talk to your doctor before using Opsumit. Macitentan may lead to more reduction of blood pressure and decrease in haemoglobin in patients with kidney problems.

In patients with pulmonary veno-occlusive disease (obstruction of the lung veins), the use of medicines for treatment of PAH, including Opsumit, may lead to pulmonary oedema. If you have signs of pulmonary oedema when using Opsumit, such as a sudden, important increase in breathlessness and low oxygen, **tell your doctor immediately.** Your doctor may perform additional tests, and will determine what treatment regimen is most suitable for you.

**Children and adolescents**

Do not give this medicine to children and adolescents below 18 years because Opsumit has not been tested in children.

**Elderly**

There is limited experience with Opsumit in patients older than 75 years. Opsumit should be used with caution in this age group.

**Other medicines and Opsumit**

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking, have recently taken or might take any other medicine. Opsumit can affect other medicines.

If you take Opsumit together with other medicines including those listed below, the effects of Opsumit or the other medicines might be altered. Please talk to your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking any of the following medicines:

- rifampicin, clarithromycin, telithromycin (antibiotics used to treat infections),
- phenytoin (a medicine used to treat seizures),
- carbamazepine (used to treat depression and epilepsy),
- St. John's Wort (an herbal preparation used to treat depression),

- ritonavir, saquinavir (used to treat HIV infections),
- nefazodone (used to treat depression),
- ketoconazole (except shampoo), itraconazole, voriconazole (medicines used against fungal infections)

### **Pregnancy and breastfeeding**

If you are pregnant or breastfeeding, think you may be pregnant or are planning to have a baby, ask your doctor for advice before taking this medicine.

Opsumit may harm unborn babies conceived before, during or soon after treatment.

- If it is possible you could become pregnant, use a reliable form of birth control (contraception) while you are taking Opsumit. Talk to your doctor about this.
- Do not take Opsumit if you are pregnant or planning to become pregnant.
- If you become pregnant or think that you may be pregnant while you are taking Opsumit, or shortly after stopping Opsumit (up to 1 month), see your doctor immediately.

If you are a woman who could become pregnant, your doctor will ask you to take a pregnancy test before you start taking Opsumit and regularly (once a month) while you are taking Opsumit.

It is not known if Opsumit is transferred to breast milk. Do not breastfeed while you are taking Opsumit. Talk to your doctor about this.

### **Driving and using machines**

Opsumit can cause side effects such as headaches and hypotension (listed in section 4), and the symptoms of your condition can also make you less fit to drive.

### **Opsumit contains lactose, lecithin from soya and sodium**

Opsumit contains a sugar called lactose. If you have been told by your doctor that you have an intolerance to some sugars, contact your doctor before taking this medicine.

Opsumit contains lecithin derived from soya. If you are allergic to soya, do not use this medicine (see section 2 'Do not take Opsumit').

This medicine contains less than 1 mmol sodium (23 mg) per tablet, that is to say essentially 'sodium-free'.

## **3. How to take Opsumit**

Opsumit should only be prescribed by a doctor experienced in the treatment of pulmonary arterial hypertension.

Always take this medicine exactly as your doctor has told you. Check with your doctor if you are not sure.

The recommended dose of Opsumit is one 10 mg tablet, once a day. Swallow the whole tablet, with a glass of water, do not chew or break the tablet. You can take Opsumit with or without food. It is best to take the tablet at the same time each day.

### **If you take more Opsumit than you should**

If you have taken more tablets than you have been told to take, you may experience headache, nausea, or vomiting. Ask your doctor for advice.

### **If you forget to take Opsumit**

If you forget to take Opsumit, take a dose as soon as you remember, then continue to take your tablets at the usual times. Do not take a double dose to make up for a forgotten tablet.

### **If you stop taking Opsumit**

Opsumit is a treatment that you will need to keep on taking to control your PAH. Do not stop taking Opsumit unless you have agreed this with your doctor.

If you have any further questions on the use of this medicine, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

## **4. Possible side effects**

Like all medicines, this medicine can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

### **Uncommon side effects** (may affect up to 1 in 100 people)

- Allergic reactions (swelling around the eyes, face, lips, tongue or throat, itching and/or rash)
- If you notice any of these signs, tell your doctor immediately.

### **Very common side effects** (may affect more than 1 in 10 people)

- Anaemia (low number of red blood cells) or reduced haemoglobin
- Headache
- Bronchitis (inflammation of the airways)
- Nasopharyngitis (inflammation of the throat and nasal passages)
- Oedema (swelling), especially of the ankles and feet

### **Common side effects** (may affect up to 1 in 10 people)

- Pharyngitis (inflammation of the throat)
- Influenza (flu)
- Urinary tract infection (bladder infection)
- Hypotension (low blood pressure)
- Nasal congestion (blocked nose)
- Elevated liver tests
- Leukopenia (decreased white blood cell counts)
- Thrombocytopenia (decreased blood platelet counts)

### **Reporting of side effects**

If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor or pharmacist. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. You can also report side effects directly via [the national reporting system](#) listed in [Appendix V](#). By reporting side effects you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

## **5. How to store Opsumit**

Keep this medicine out of the sight and reach of children.

Do not use Opsumit after the expiry date which is stated on the carton, bottle and blister after “EXP”. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month.

Do not store above 30 °C.

Do not throw away any medicines via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to throw away medicines you no longer require. These measures will help to protect the environment.

## **6. Contents of the pack and other information**

### What Opsumit contains

- The active substance is macitentan. Each tablet contains 10 mg macitentan.
- The other ingredients are lactose monohydrate (see section 2 “Opsumit contains lactose, lecithin from soya and sodium”), microcrystalline cellulose (E460i), povidone, sodium starch glycolate Type A (see section 2 “Opsumit contains lactose, lecithin from soya and sodium”), magnesium stearate (E572), polysorbate 80 (E433), polyvinyl alcohol (E1203), titanium dioxide (E171), talc (E553b), soya bean lecithin (E322) (see section 2 “Opsumit contains lactose, lecithin from soya and sodium”) and xanthan gum (E415).

### What Opsumit looks like and contents of the pack

Opsumit 10 mg tablets are white to off-white, biconvex, round, film-coated tablets with “10” on both sides.

Opsumit is supplied as 10 mg film-coated tablets in blister packs of 15 or 30 tablets, or in bottles of 30 tablets.

Not all pack sizes may be marketed.

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