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### 1. NAME OF THE MEDICINAL PRODUCT

Ivabradine JensonR 5 mg film-coated tablets Ivabradine JensonR 7.5 mg film-coated tablets

### 2. QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE COMPOSITION

### <u>Ivabradine JensonR 5 mg film-coated tablets</u>

Each film-coated tablet contains 5 mg ivabradine (as hydrochloride).

Excipient with known effect

Each film-coated tablet contains 36.73 mg lactose (as anhydrous).

### Ivabradine JensonR 7.5 mg film-coated tablets

3er authorised Each film-coated tablet contains 7.5 mg ivabradine (as hydrochloride).

Excipient with known effect

Each film-coated tablet contains 55.09 mg lactose (as anhydrous).

For the full list of excipients, see section 6.1.

### 3. PHARMACEUTICAL FORM

Film-coated tablet.

### Ivabradine JensonR 5 mg film-coated tablets

Pink colour, oval shape, biconvex film-coated scored tablets, approximately 7.9 mm by 4.15 mm debossed with "I 5" on one side and "M" on other side of the tablet.

The tablet can be divided into equal doses.

### Ivabradine JensonR 7.5 mg film-coated tablets

Pink colour, round, beveled edge, bicorvex film-coated tablets, approximately 6.65 mm in diameter debossed with "I 7" on one side and "M" on other side of the tablet.

### 4. **CLINICAL PARTICULARS**

### 4.1 Therapeutic indications

Symptomatic treatment of chronic stable angina pectoris

Ivabradine is indicated for the symptomatic treatment of chronic stable angina pectoris in coronary artery disease adults with normal sinus rhythm and heart rate ≥70 bpm. Ivabradine is indicated:

- in adults unable to tolerate or with a contraindication to the use of beta-blockers
- or in combination with beta-blockers in patients inadequately controlled with an optimal beta-blocker dose.

### Treatment of chronic heart failure

Ivabradine is indicated in chronic heart failure NYHA II to IV class with systolic dysfunction, in patients in sinus rhythm and whose heart rate is ≥75 bpm, in combination with standard therapy including beta-blocker therapy or when beta-blocker therapy is contraindicated or not tolerated (see section 5.1).

### 4.2 Posology and method of administration

### **Posology**

For the different doses, film-coated tablets containing 5 mg and 7.5 mg ivabradine are available.

Symptomatic treatment of chronic stable angina pectoris

It is recommended that the decision to initiate or titrate treatment takes place with the availability of serial heart rate measurements, ECG or ambulatory 24-hour monitoring.

The starting dose of ivabradine should not exceed 5 mg twice daily in patients aged below 75 years. After three to four weeks of treatment, if the patient is still symptomatic, if the initial dose is well tolerated and if resting heart rate remains above 60 bpm, the dose may be increased to the next higher dose in patients receiving 2.5 mg twice daily or 5 mg twice daily. The maintenance dose should not exceed 7.5 mg twice daily.

If there is no improvement in symptoms of angina within 3 months after start of treatment, treatment of ivabradine should be discontinued.

In addition, discontinuation of treatment should be considered if there is only limited symptomatic response and when there is no clinically relevant reduction in resting heart rate within three months.

If, during treatment, heart rate decreases below 50 beats per minute (bpm) at rest or the patient experiences symptoms related to bradycardia such as dizziness, fatigue or hypotension, the dose must be titrated downward including the lowest dose of 2.5 mg twice daily (one half 5 mg tablet twice daily). After dose reduction, heart rate should be monitored (see section 4.4). Treatment must be discontinued if heart rate remains below 50 bpm or symptoms of bradycardia persist despite dose reduction.

### Treatment of chronic heart failure

The treatment has to be initiated only in patient with stable heart failure. It is recommended that the treating physician should be experienced in the management of chronic heart failure.

The usual recommended starting dose of ivabradine is 5 mg twice daily. After two weeks of treatment, the dose can be increased to 7.5 mg twice daily if resting heart rate is persistently above 60 bpm or decreased to 2.5 mg twice daily (one half 5 mg tablet twice daily) if resting heart rate is persistently below 50 bpm or in case of symptoms related to bradycardia such as dizziness, fatigue or hypotension. If heart rate is between 50 and 60 bpm, the dose of 5 mg twice daily should be maintained.

If during treatment, heart rate decreases persistently below 50 beats per minute (bpm) at rest or the patient experiences symptoms related to bradycardia, the dose must be titrated downward to the next lower dose in patients receiving 7.5 mg twice daily or 5 mg twice daily. If heart rate increases persistently above 60 beats per minute at rest, the dose can be up titrated to the next upper dose in patients receiving 2.5 mg twice daily or 5 mg twice daily.

Treatment must be discontinued if heart rate remains below 50 bpm or symptoms of bradycardia persist (see section 4.4).

### Special populations

### Elderly

In patients aged 75 years or more, a lower starting dose should be considered (2.5 mg twice daily i.e. one half 5 mg tablet twice daily) before up-titration if necessary.

### Renal impairment

No dose adjustment is required in patients with renal insufficiency and creatinine clearance above 15 ml/min (see section 5.2).

No data are available in patients with creatinine clearance below 15 ml/min. Ivabradine should therefore be used with precaution in this population.

### Hepatic impairment

No dose adjustment is required in patients with mild hepatic impairment. Caution should be exercised when using ivabradine in patients with moderate hepatic impairment. Ivabradine is contraindicated for use in patients with severe hepatic insufficiency, since it has not been studied in this population and a large increase in systemic exposure is anticipated (see sections 4.3 and 5.2).

### Paediatric population

The safety and efficacy of ivabradine in the treatment of chronic heart failure in children aged below 18 years have not been established.

Available data are described in sections 5.1 and 5.2 but no recommendation on a posology can be made.

### Method of administration

Tablets must be taken orally twice daily, i.e. once in the morning and once in the evening during meals (see section 5.2).

### 4.3 Contraindications

- Hypersensitivity to the active substance or to any of the excipients listed in section 6.1
- Resting heart rate below 70 beats per minute prior to treatment
- Cardiogenic shock
- Acute myocardial infarction
- Severe hypotension (<90/50 mmHg)
- Severe hepatic insufficiency
- Sick sinus syndrome
- Sino-atrial block
- Unstable or acute heart failure
- Pacemaker dependent (heart rate imposed exclusively by the pacemaker)
- Unstable angina
- AV-block of 3<sup>rd</sup> degree
- Combination with strong cytochrome P450 3A4 inhibitors such as azole antifungals (ketoconazole, itraconazole), macrolide antibiotics (clarithromycin, erythromycin *per os*, josamycin, telithromycin), HIV protease inhibitors (nelfinavir, ritonavir) and nefazodone (see sections 4.5 and 5.2)
- Combination with verapamil or diltiazem which are moderate CYP3A4 inhibitors with heart rate reducing properties (see section 4.5)
- Pregnancy, lactation and women of child-bearing potential not using appropriate contraceptive measures (see section 4.6)

### 4.4 Special warnings and precautions for use

### Special warnings

Lack of benefit on clinical outcomes in patients with symptomatic chronic stable angina pectoris Ivabradine is indicated only for symptomatic treatment of chronic stable angina pectoris because ivabradine has no benefits on cardiovascular outcomes (e.g. myocardial infarction or cardiovascular death) (see section 5.1).

### Measurement of heart rate

Given that the heart rate may fluctuate considerably over time, serial heart rate measurements, ECG or ambulatory 24-hour monitoring should be considered when determining resting heart rate before initiation of ivabradine treatment and in patients on treatment with ivabradine when titration is considered. This also applies to patients with a low heart rate, in particular when heart rate decreases below 50 bpm, or after dose reduction (see section 4.2).

### Cardiac arrhythmias

Ivabradine is not effective in the treatment or prevention of cardiac arrhythmias and likely loses its efficacy when a tachyarrhythmia occurs (e.g. ventricular or supraventricular tachycardia). Ivabradine is therefore not recommended in patients with atrial fibrillation or other cardiac arrhythmias that interfere with sinus node function.

In patients treated with ivabradine the risk of developing atrial fibrillation is increased (see section 4.8). Atrial fibrillation has been more common in patients using concomitantly amiodarone or potent class I anti-arrhythmics. It is recommended to regularly clinically monitor ivabradine treated patients for the occurrence of atrial fibrillation (sustained or paroxysmal), which should also include ECG monitoring if clinically indicated (e.g. in case of exacerbated angina, palpitations, irregular pulse).

Patients should be informed of signs and symptoms of atrial fibrillation and be advised to contact their physician if these occur.

If atrial fibrillation develops during treatment, the balance of benefits and risks of continued ivabradine treatment should be carefully reconsidered.

Chronic heart failure patients with intraventricular conduction defects (bundle branch block left, bundle branch block right) and ventricular dyssynchrony should be monitored closely.

### *Use in patients with AV-block of 2<sup>nd</sup> degree*

Ivabradine is not recommended in patients with AV-block of 2<sup>nd</sup> degree.

### Use in patients with a low heart rate

Ivabradine must not be initiated in patients with a pre-treatment resting heart rate below 70 beats per minute (see section 4.3).

If, during treatment, resting heart rate decreases persistently below 50 bpm or the patient experiences symptoms related to bradycardia such as dizziness, fatigue or hypotension, the dose must be titrated downward or treatment discontinued if heart rate below 50 bpm or symptoms of bradycardia persist (see section 4.2).

### Combination with calcium channel blockers

Concomitant use of ivabradine with heart rate reducing calcium channel blockers such as verapamil or diltiazem is contraindicated (see sections 4.3 and 4.5). No safety issue has been raised on the combination of ivabradine with nitrates and dihydropyridine calcium channel blockers such as amlodipine. Additional efficacy of ivabradine in combination with dihydropyridine calcium channel blockers has not been established (see section 5.1).

### Chronic heart failure

Heart failure must be stable before considering ivabradine treatment. Ivabradine should be used with caution in heart failure patients with NYHA functional classification IV due to limited amount of data in this population.

### Stroke

The use of ivaloradine is not recommended immediately after a stroke since no data is available in these situations.

### Visual function

Ivabradine influences on retinal function (see section 5.1). To date, there is no evidence of a toxic effect of ivabradine on the retina, but the effects of long-term ivabradine treatment beyond one year on retinal function are currently not known. Cessation of treatment should be considered if any unexpected deterioration in visual function occurs. Caution should be exercised in patients with retinitis pigmentosa.

### Precautions for use

### Patients with hypotension

Limited data are available in patients with mild to moderate hypotension, and ivabradine should therefore be used with caution in these patients. Ivabradine is contraindicated in patients with severe hypotension (blood pressure < 90/50 mmHg) (see section 4.3).

### Atrial fibrillation - Cardiac arrhythmias

There is no evidence of risk of (excessive) bradycardia on return to sinus rhythm when pharmacological cardioversion is initiated in patients treated with ivabradine. However, in the absence of extensive data, non urgent DC-cardioversion should be considered 24 hours after the last dose of ivabradine.

Use in patients with congenital QT syndrome or treated with QT prolonging medicinal products. The use of ivabradine in patients with congenital QT syndrome or treated with QT prolonging medicinal products should be avoided (see section 4.5). If the combination appears necessary, close cardiac monitoring is needed.

Heart rate reduction, as caused by ivabradine, may exacerbate QT prolongation, which may give rise to severe arrhythmias, in particular *Torsade de pointes*.

Hypertensive patients requiring blood pressure treatment modifications.

In the SHIFT trial more patients experienced episodes of increased blood pressure while treated with ivabradine (7.1%) compared to patients treated with placebo (6.1%). These episodes occurred most frequently shortly after blood pressure treatment was modified, were transient, and did not affect the treatment effect of ivabradine. When treatment modifications are made in chronic heart failure patients treated with ivabradine blood pressure should be monitored at an appropriate interval (see section 4.8).

### **Excipients**

Since tablets contain lactose, patients with rare hereditary problems of galactose intolerance, the Lapp lactase deficiency or glucose-galactose malabsorption should not take this medicinal product.

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

### Pharmacodynamic interactions

Concomitant use not recommended

QT prolonging medicinal products

- Cardiovascular QT prolonging medicinal products (e.g. quinidine, disopyramide, bepridil, sotalol, ibutilide, amiodarone).
- Non cardiovascular QT prolonging medicinal products (e.g. pimozide, ziprasidone, sertindole, mefloquine, halofantrine, pentamidine, cisapride, intravenous erythromycin).

The concomitant use of cardiovascular and non cardiovascular QT prolonging medicinal products with ivabradine should be avoided since QT prolongation may be exacerbated by heart rate reduction. If the combination appears necessary, close cardiac monitoring is needed (see section 4.4).

### Concomitant use with precaution

Potassium-depleting diuretics (thiazide diuretics and loop diuretics): hypokalaemia can increase the risk of arrhythmia. As ivabradine may cause bradycardia, the resulting combination of hypokalaemia and bradycardia is a predisposing factor to the onset of severe arrhythmias, especially in patients with long QT syndrome, whether congenital or substance-induced.

### Pharmacokinetic interactions

### Cytochrome P450 3A4 (CYP3A4)

Ivabradine is metabolised by CYP3A4 only and it is a very weak inhibitor of this cytochrome. Ivabradine was shown not to influence the metabolism and plasma concentrations of other CYP3A4 substrates (mild, moderate and strong inhibitors). CYP3A4 inhibitors and inducers are liable to interact with ivabradine and influence its metabolism and pharmacokinetics to a clinically significant extent. Drug-drug interaction studies have established that CYP3A4 inhibitors increase ivabradine plasma concentrations, while inducers decrease them. Increased plasma concentrations of ivabradine may be associated with the risk of excessive bradycardia (see section 4.4).

### Contraindication of concomitant use

The concomitant use of potent CYP3A4 inhibitors such as azole antifungals (ketoconazole, itraconazole), macrolide antibiotics (clarithromycin, erythromycin *per os*, josamycin, telithromycin), HIV protease inhibitors (nelfinavir, ritonavir) and nefazodone is contraindicated (see section 4.3). The potent CYP3A4 inhibitors ketoconazole (200 mg once daily) and josamycin (1 g twice daily) increased ivabradine mean plasma exposure by 7 to 8 fold.

Moderate CYP3A4 inhibitors: specific interaction studies in healthy volunteers and patients have shown that the combination of ivabradine with the heart rate reducing agents diltiazem or verapamil resulted in an increase in ivabradine exposure (2 to 3 fold increase in AUC) and an additional heart rate reduction of 5 bpm. The concomitant use of ivabradine with these medicinal products is contraindicated (see section 4.3).

### Concomitant use not recommended

Grapefruit juice: ivabradine exposure was increased by 2-fold following the co-administration with grapefruit juice. Therefore the intake of grapefruit juice should be avoided.

### Concomitant use with precautions

- Moderate CYP3A4 inhibitors: the concomitant use of ivabradine with other moderate CYP3A4 inhibitors (e.g. fluconazole) may be considered at the starting dose of 2.5 mg twice daily and if resting heart rate is above 70 bpm, with monitoring of heart rate.
- CYP3A4 inducers: CYP3A4 inducers (e.g. rifampicin, barbiturates, phenytoin, *Hypericum perforatum* [St John's wort]) may decrease ivab adine exposure and activity. The concomitant use of CYP3A4 inducing medicinal products may require an adjustment of the dose of ivabradine. The combination of ivabradine 10 mg twice daily with St John's wort was shown to reduce ivabradine AUC by half. The intake of St John's wort should be restricted during the treatment with ivabradine.

### Other concomitant use

Specific drug-drug interaction studies have shown no clinically significant effect of the following medicinal products on pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of ivabradine: proton pump inhibitors (omeprazole, lansoprazole), sildenafil, HMG CoA reductase inhibitors (simvastatin), dihydropyridine calcium channel blockers (amlodipine, lacidipine), digoxin and warfarin. In addition there was no clinically significant effect of ivabradine on the pharmacokinetics of simvastatin, amlodipine, lacidipine, on the pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of digoxin, warfarin and on the pharmacodynamics of aspirin.

In pivotal phase III clinical trials the following medicinal products were routinely combined with ivabradine with no evidence of safety concerns: angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitors, angiotensin II antagonists, beta-blockers, diuretics, anti-aldosterone agents, short and long acting nitrates, HMG CoA reductase inhibitors, fibrates, proton pump inhibitors, oral antidiabetics, aspirin and other anti-platelet medicinal products.

### Paediatric population

Interaction studies have only been performed in adults.

### 4.6 Fertility, pregnancy and lactation

### Women of child-bearing potential

Women of child-bearing potential should use appropriate contraceptive measures during treatment (see section 4.3).

### Pregnancy

There are no or limited amount of data from the use of ivabradine in pregnant women.

Studies in animals have shown reproductive toxicity. These studies have shown embryotoxic and teratogenic effects (see section 5.3). The potential risk for humans is unknown. Therefore, ivabradine is contraindicated during pregnancy (see section 4.3).

### **Breast-feeding**

Animal studies indicate that ivabradine is excreted in milk. Therefore, ivabradine is contraindicated during breast-feeding (see section 4.3).

Women that need treatment with ivabradine should stop breast-feeding, and choose for another way of feeding their child.

### Fertility

Studies in rats have shown no effect on fertility in males and females (see section 5.3).

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

A specific study to assess the possible influence of ivabradine or driving performance has been performed in healthy volunteers where no alteration of the driving performance was evidenced. However, in post-marketing experience, cases of impaired driving ability due to visual symptoms have been reported. Ivabradine may cause transient luminous phenomena consisting mainly of phosphenes (see section 4.8). The possible occurrence of such luminous phenomena should be taken into account when driving or using machines in situations where sudden variations in light intensity may occur, especially when driving at night. Ivabradine has no influence on the ability to use machines.

### 4.8 Undesirable effects

### Summary of the safety profile

Ivabradine has been studied in clinical trials involving nearly 45,000 participants.

The most common adverse reactions with ivabradine, luminous phenomena (phosphenes) and bradycardia, are dose dependent and related to the pharmacological effect of the medicinal product.

### Tabulated list of adverse reactions

The following adverse reactions have been reported during clinical trials and are ranked using the following frequency: very common ( $\geq 1/10$ ); common ( $\geq 1/100$ ); uncommon ( $\geq 1/1,000$ ); rare ( $\geq 1/10,000$ ); very rare ( $\leq 1/10,000$ ); not known (cannot be estimated from the available data).

System Organ Class	Frequency	Preferred Term
Blood and lymphatic system	Uncommon	Eosinophilia
disorders		
Metabolism and nutrition	Uncommon	Hyperuricaemia
disorders		
Nervous system disorders	Common	Headache, generally during the
		first month of treatment
		Dizziness, possibly related to
		bradycardia
	Uncommon*	Syncope, possibly related to
		bradycardia

Eye disorders	Very common	Luminous phenomena	
	,	(phosphenes)	
	Common	Blurred vision	
	Uncommon*	Diplopia	
		Visual impairment	
Ear and labyrinth disorders	Uncommon	Vertigo	
Cardiac disorders	Common	Bradycardia	
		AV 1 <sup>st</sup> degree block (ECG	
		prolonged PQ interval)	
		Ventricular extrasystoles	
		Atrial fibrillation	
	Uncommon	Palpitations, supraventricular	
		extrasystoles	
	Very rare	AV 2 <sup>nd</sup> degree block, AV 3 <sup>rd</sup>	
		degree block	
		Sick sinus syndrome	
Vascular disorders	Common	Uncontrolled blood pressure	
	Uncommon*	Hypotension, possibly related	
		to brady cardia	
Respiratory, thoracic and	Uncommon	Dyspnoea	
mediastinal disorders			
Gastrointestinal disorders	Uncommon	Nausea	
		Constipation	
		Diarrhoea	
		Abdominal pain*	
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	Uncommon*	Angioedema	
disorders		Rash	
	Rare*	Erythema	
		Pruritus	
	.0	Urticaria	
Musculoskeletal and	Uncommon	Muscle cramps	
connective tissue disorders			
General disorders and	Uncommon*	Asthenia, possibly related to	
administration site conditions		bradycardia	
		Fatigue, possibly related to	
	D 4	bradycardia	
~**	Rare*	Malaise, possibly related to	
	7.7	bradycardia	
Investigations	Uncommon	Elevated creatinine in blood	
		ECG prolonged QT interval	

<sup>\*</sup> Frequency calculated from clinical trials for adverse events detected from spontaneous report

### Description of selected adverse reactions

Luminous phenomena (phosphenes) were reported by 14.5% of patients, described as a transient enhanced brightness in a limited area of the visual field. They are usually triggered by sudden variations in light intensity. Phosphenes may also be described as a halo, image decomposition (stroboscopic or kaleidoscopic effects), coloured bright lights, or multiple image (retinal persistency). The onset of phosphenes is generally within the first two months of treatment after which they may occur repeatedly. Phosphenes were generally reported to be of mild to moderate intensity. All phosphenes resolved during or after treatment, of which a majority (77.5%) resolved during treatment. Fewer than 1% of patients changed their daily routine or discontinued the treatment in relation with phosphenes.

Bradycardia was reported by 3.3% of patients particularly within the first 2 to 3 months of treatment initiation. 0.5% of patients experienced a severe bradycardia below or equal to 40 bpm.

In the SIGNIFY study atrial fibrillation was observed in 5.3% of patients taking ivabradine compared to 3.8% in the placebo group. In a pooled analysis of all the Phase II/III double blind controlled clinical trials with a duration of at least 3 months including more than 40,000 patients, the incidence of atrial fibrillation was 4.86% in ivabradine treated patients compared to 4.08% in controls, corresponding to a hazard ratio of 1.26, 95% CI [1.15-1.39].

### 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

### **Symptoms**

Overdose may lead to severe and prolonged bradycardia (see section 4.8).

### Management

Severe bradycardia should be treated symptomatically in a specialised environment. In the event of bradycardia with poor haemodynamic tolerance, symptomatic treatment including intravenous beta-stimulating medicinal products such as isoprenaline may be considered. Temporary cardiac electrical pacing may be instituted if required.

### 5. PHARMACOLOGICAL PROPERTIES

### 5.1 Pharmacodynamic properties

Pharmacotherapeutic group: Cardiac therapy, other cardiac preparations, ATC code: C01EB17.

### Mechanism of action

Ivabradine is a pure heart rate lowering agent, acting by selective and specific inhibition of the cardiac pacemaker *If* current that controls the spontaneous diastolic depolarisation in the sinus node and regulates heart rate. The cardiac effects are specific to the sinus node with no effect on intra-atrial, atrioventricular or intraventricular conduction times, nor on myocardial contractility or ventricular repolarisation.

Ivabradine can interact also with the retinal current *I*h which closely resembles cardiac *If*. It participates in the temporal resolution of the visual system, by curtailing the retinal response to bright light stimuli. Under triggering circumstances (e.g. rapid changes in luminosity), partial inhibition of *I*h by ivabradine underlies the luminous phenomena that may be occasionally experienced by patients. Luminous phenomena (phosphenes) are described as a transient enhanced brightness in a limited area of the visual field (see section 4.8).

### Pharmacodynamic effects

The main pharmacodynamic property of ivabradine in humans is a specific dose dependent reduction in heart rate. Analysis of heart rate reduction with doses up to 20 mg twice daily indicates a trend towards a plateau effect which is consistent with a reduced risk of severe bradycardia below 40 bpm (see section 4.8). At usual recommended doses, heart rate reduction is approximately 10 bpm at rest and during exercise. This leads to a reduction in cardiac workload and myocardial oxygen consumption. Ivabradine does not influence intracardiac conduction, contractility (no negative inotropic effect) or ventricular repolarisation:

- in clinical electrophysiology studies, ivabradine had no effect on atrioventricular or intraventricular conduction times or corrected QT intervals;
- in patients with left ventricular dysfunction (left ventricular ejection fraction (LVEF) between 30 and 45%), ivabradine did not have any deleterious influence on LVEF.

### Clinical efficacy and safety

The antianginal and anti-ischaemic efficacy of ivabradine was studied in five double-blind randomised trials (three versus placebo, and one each versus atenolol and amlodipine). These trials included a total of 4,111 patients with chronic stable angina pectoris, of whom 2,617 received ivabradine.

Ivabradine 5 mg twice daily was shown to be effective on exercise test parameters within 3 to 4 weeks of treatment. Efficacy was confirmed with 7.5 mg twice daily. In particular, the additional benefit over 5 mg twice daily was established in a reference-controlled study versus atenolol: total exercise duration at trough was increased by about 1 minute after one month of treatment with 5 mg twice daily and further improved by almost 25 seconds after an additional 3-month period with forced titration to 7.5 mg twice daily. In this study, the antianginal and anti-ischaemic benefits of ivabradine were confirmed in patients aged 65 years or more. The efficacy of 5 and 7.5 mg twice daily was consistent across studies on exercise test parameters (total exercise duration, time to limiting angina, time to angina onset and time to 1 mm ST segment depression) and was associated with a decrease of about 70% in the rate of angina attacks. The twice-daily dosing regimen of ivabradine gave uniform efficacy over 24 hours.

In a 889-patients randomised placebo-controlled study, ivabradine given on top of atenolol 50 mg o.d. showed additional efficacy on all ETT parameters at the trough of drug activity (12 hours after oral intake). In a 725-patients randomised placebo-controlled study, ivabradine did not show additional efficacy on top of amlodipine 10 mg o.d. at the trough of drug activity (12 hours after oral intake) while an additional efficacy was shown at peak (3-4 hours after oral intake).

In a 1,277-patients randomised placebo-controlled study, ivabradine demonstrated a statistically significant additional efficacy on response to treatment (defined as a decrease of at least 3 angina attacks per week and/or an increase in the time to 1 mm ST segment depression of at least 60 s during a treadmill ETT) on top of amlodipine 5 mg o.d. or nifedipine GITS 30 mg o.d. at the trough of drug activity (12 hours after oral ivabradine intake) over a 6-week treatment period (OR = 1.3, 95% CI [1.0–1.7]; p = 0.012). Ivabradine did not show additional efficacy on secondary endpoints of ETT parameters at the trough of drug activity while an additional efficacy was shown at peak (3-4 hours after oral ivabradine intake).

Ivabradine efficacy was fully maintained throughout the 3- or 4-month treatment periods in the efficacy trials. There was no evidence of pharmacological tolerance (loss of efficacy) developing during treatment nor of rebound phenomena after abrupt treatment discontinuation. The antianginal and anti-ischaemic effects of ivabradine were associated with dose-dependent reductions in heart rate and with a significant decrease in rate pressure product (heart rate x systolic blood pressure) at rest and during exercise. The effects on blood pressure and peripheral vascular resistance were minor and not clinically significant.

A sustained reduction of heart rate was demonstrated in patients treated with ivabradine for at least one year (n = 713). No influence on glucose or lipid metabolism was observed.

The antianginal and anti-ischaemic efficacy of ivabradine was preserved in diabetic patients (n = 457) with a similar safety profile as compared to the overall population.

A large outcome study, BEAUTIFUL, was performed in 10,917 patients with coronary artery disease and left ventricular dysfunction (LVEF <40%) on top of optimal background therapy with 86.9% of patients receiving beta-blockers. The main efficacy criterion was the composite of cardiovascular death, hospitalisation for acute MI or hospitalisation for new onset or worsening heart failure. The study showed no difference in the rate of the primary composite outcome in the ivabradine group by comparison to the placebo group (relative risk ivabradine: placebo 1.00, p = 0.945).

In a post-hoc subgroup of patients with symptomatic angina at randomisation (n = 1,507), no safety signal was identified regarding cardiovascular death, hospitalisation for acute MI or heart failure (ivabradine 12.0% versus placebo 15.5%, p = 0.05).

A large outcome study, SIGNIFY, was performed in 19,102 patients with coronary artery disease and without clinical heart failure (LVEF >40%), on top of optimal background therapy. A therapeutic scheme higher than the approved posology was used (starting dose 7.5 mg b.i.d. (5 mg b.i.d, if age  $\geq$ 75 years) and titration up to 10 mg b.i.d). The main efficacy criterion was the composite of cardiovascular death or non-fatal MI. The study showed no difference in the rate of the primary composite endpoint (PCE) in the ivabradine group by comparison to the placebo group (relative risk ivabradine/placebo 1.08, p = 0.197). Bradycardia was reported by 17.9% of patients in the ivabradine group (2.1% in the placebo group). Verapamil, diltiazem or strong CYP 3A4 inhibitors were received by 7.1% of patients during the study. A small statistically significant increase in the PCE was observed in a pre-specified subgroup of patients with angina patients in CCS class II or higher at baseline (n = 12,049) (annual rates 3.4% versus 2.9%, relative risk ivabradine/placebo 1.18, p = 0.018), but not in the subgroup of the overall angina population in CCS class  $\geq$  I (n=14,286) (relative risk ivabradine/placebo 1.11, p = 0.110).

The higher than approved dose used in the study did not fully explain these findings.

The SHIFT study was a large multicentre, international, randomised double-blind placebo controlled outcome trial conducted in 6,505 adult patients with stable chronic CHF (for  $\geq$ 4 weeks), NYHA class II to IV, with a reduced left ventricular ejection fraction (LVEF  $\leq$ 35%) and a resting heart rate  $\geq$ 70 bpm.

Patients received standard care including beta-blockers (89%), ACE inhibitors and/or angiotensin II antagonists (91%), diuretics (83%), and anti-aldosterone agents (60%). In the ivabradine group, 67% of patients were treated with 7.5 mg twice a day. The median follow-up duration was 22.9 months. Treatment with ivabradine was associated with an average reduction in heart rate of 15 bpm from a baseline value of 80 bpm. The difference in heart rate between ivabradine and placebo arms was 10.8 bpm at 28 days, 9.1 bpm at 12 months and 8.3 bpm at 24 months.

The study demonstrated a clinically and statistically significant relative risk reduction of 18% in the rate of the primary composite endpoint of cardiovascular mortality and hospitalisation for worsening heart failure (hazard ratio: 0.82, 95% CI [0.75;0.90] - p < 0.0001) apparent within 3 months of initiation of treatment. The absolute risk reduction was 4.2%. The results on the primary endpoint are mainly driven by the heart failure endpoints, hospitalisation for worsening heart failure (absolute risk reduced by 4.7%) and deaths from heart failure (absolute risk reduced by 1.1%).

Treatment effect on the primary composite endpoint, its components and secondary endpoints

	Ivabradine	Placebo	Hazard ratio	p-value
•	(N=3,241)	(N=3,264)	[95% CI]	
	n (%)	n (%)		
Primary composite	793 (24.47)	937 (28.71)	0.82 [0.75; 0.90]	< 0.0001
endpoint	` ,	·		
Components of the				
composite:				
-CV death	449 (13.85)	491 (15.04)	0.91 [0.80; 1.03]	0.128
-Hospitalisation for	514 (15.86)	672 (20.59)	0.74 [0.66; 0.83]	< 0.0001
worsening HF				
Other secondary				
endpoints:				
-All cause death	503 (15.52)	552 (16.91)	0.90 [0.80; 1.02]	0.092
-Death from HF	113 (3.49)	151 (4.63)	0.74 [0.58; 0.94]	0.014
-Hospitalisation for	1231 (37.98)	1356 (41.54)	0.89 [0.82; 0.96]	0.003
any cause				
-Hospitalisation for	977 (30.15)	1122 (34.38)	0.85 [0.78; 0.92]	0.0002
CV reason				

The reduction in the primary endpoint was observed consistently irrespective of gender, NYHA class, ischaemic or non-ischaemic heart failure aetiology and of background history of diabetes or hypertension.

In the subgroup of patients with HR  $\geq$ 75 bpm (n = 4,150), a greater reduction was observed in the primary composite endpoint of 24% (hazard ratio: 0.76, 95% CI [0.68;0.85] – p <0.0001) and for other secondary endpoints, including all cause death (hazard ratio: 0.83, 95% CI [0.72;0.96] – p = 0.0109) and CV death (hazard ratio: 0.83, 95% CI [0.71;0.97] – p = 0.0166). In this subgroup of patients, the safety profile of ivabradine is in line with the one of the overall population.

A significant effect was observed on the primary composite endpoint in the overall group of patients receiving beta-blocker therapy (hazard ratio: 0.85, 95% CI [0.76; 0.94]). In the subgroup of patients with HR ≥75 bpm and on the recommended target dose of beta-blocker, no statistically significant benefit was observed on the primary composite endpoint (hazard ratio: 0.97, 95%CI [0.74; 1.28]) and other secondary endpoints, including hospitalisation for worsening heart failure (hazard ratio: 0.79, 95% CI [0.56;1.10]) or death from heart failure (hazard ratio: 0.69, 95% CI [0.31;1.53]).

There was a significant improvement in NYHA class at last recorded value, 887 (28%) of patients on ivabradine improved versus 776 (24%) of patients on placebo (p = 0.001).

### Paediatric population

A randomised, double blind, placebo controlled study was performed in 116 paediatric patients (17 aged [6-12]months, 36 aged [1-3]years and 63 aged [3-18]years) with CIIF and dilated cardiomyopathy (DCM) on top of optimal background treatment. 74 received ivabradine (ratio 2:1).

The starting dose was 0.02 mg/kg bid in age-subset [6-12]months, 0.05 mg/kg bid in [1-3]years and [3-18]years <40 kg, and 2.5 mg bid in [3-18]years and ≥40 kg. The dose was adapted depending on the therapeutic response with maximum doses of 0.2 mg/kg bid, 0.3 mg/kg bid and 15 mg bid respectively. In this study, ivabradine was administered as oral liquid formulation or tablet twice daily. The absence of pharmacokinetic difference between the 2 formulations was shown in an open-label randomised two-period cross-over study in 24 adult healthy volunteers

A 20% heart rate reduction, without bradycardia, was achieved by 69.9% of patients in the ivabradine group versus 12.2% in the placebo group during the titration period of 2 to 8 weeks (Odds Ratio: E = 17.24, 95% CI [5.91; 50.30]).

The mean ivabradine doses allowing to achieve a 20% HRR were  $0.13 \pm 0.04$  mg/kg bid,  $0.10 \pm 0.04$  mg/kg bid and  $4.1 \pm 2.2$  mg bid in the age subsets [1-3]years, [3-18]years and <40 kg and [3-18] years and  $\geq$ 40 kg, respectively.

Mean LVEF increased from 31.8% to 45.3% at M012 in ivabradine group versus 35.4% to 42.3% in the placebo group. There was an improvement in NYHA class in 37.7% of ivabradine patients versus 25.0% in the placebo group. These improvements were not statistically significant.

The safety profile, over one year, was similar to the one described in adult CHF patients.

The long-term effects of ivabradine on growth, puberty and general development as well as the long-term efficacy of therapy with ivabradine in childhood to reduce cardiovascular morbidity and mortality have not been studied.

The European Medicines Agency has waived the obligation to submit the results of studies with the reference medicinal product containing ivabradine in all subsets of the paediatric population in the treatment of angina pectoris (see section 4.2 for information on paediatric use).

The European Medicines Agency has waived the obligation to submit the results of studies with ivabradine in children aged 0 to less than 6 months in the treatment of chronic heart failure.

### 5.2 Pharmacokinetic properties

Under physiological conditions, ivabradine is rapidly released from tablets and is highly water-soluble (>10 mg/ml). Ivabradine is the S-enantiomer with no bioconversion demonstrated *in vivo*. The N-desmethylated derivative of ivabradine has been identified as the main active metabolite in humans.

### Absorption and bioavailability

Ivabradine is rapidly and almost completely absorbed after oral administration with a peak plasma level reached in about 1 hour under fasting condition. The absolute bioavailability of the film-coated tablets is around 40%, due to first-pass effect in the gut and liver.

Food delayed absorption by approximately 1 hour, and increased plasma exposure by 20 to 30%. The intake of the tablet during meals is recommended in order to decrease intra-individual variability in exposure (see section 4.2).

### Distribution

Ivabradine is approximately 70% plasma protein bound and the volume of distribution at steady-state is close to 100 l in patients. The maximum plasma concentration following chronic administration at the recommended dose of 5 mg twice daily is 22 ng/ml (CV=29%). The average plasma concentration is 10 ng/ml (CV=38%) at steady-state.

### Biotransformation

Ivabradine is extensively metabolised by the liver and the gut by oxidation through cytochrome P450 3A4 (CYP3A4) only. The major active metabolite is the N-desmethylated derivative (S 18982) with an exposure about 40% of that of the parent compound. The metabolism of this active metabolite also involves CYP3A4. Ivabradine has low affinity for CYP3A4, shows no clinically relevant CYP3A4 induction or inhibition and is therefore unlikely to modify CYP3A4 substrate metabolism or plasma concentrations. Inversely, potent inhibitors and inducers may substantially affect ivabradine plasma concentrations (see section 4.5).

### Elimination

Ivabradine is eliminated with a main half-life of 2 hours (70-75% of the AUC) in plasma and an effective half-life of 11 hours. The total clearance is about 400 ml/min and the renal clearance is about 70 ml/min. Excretion of metabolites occurs to a similar extent via faeces and urine. About 4% of an oral dose is excreted unchanged in urine.

### Linearity/non-linearity

The kinetics of ivabradine is linear over an oral dose range of 0.5-24 mg.

### Special populations

- Elderly: no pharmacokinetic differences (AUC and  $C_{max}$ ) have been observed between elderly ( $\geq$ 65 years) or very elderly patients ( $\geq$ 75 years) and the overall population (see section 4.2).
- Renal impairment: the impact of renal impairment (creatinine clearance from 15 to 60 ml/min) on ivabra line pharmacokinetic is minimal, in relation with the low contribution of renal clearance (about 20%) to total elimination for both ivabradine and its main metabolite S 18982 (see section 4.2).
- Hepatic impairment: in patients with mild hepatic impairment (Child Pugh score up to 7) unbound AUC of ivabradine and the main active metabolite were about 20% higher than in subjects with normal hepatic function. Data are insufficient to draw conclusions in patients with moderate hepatic impairment. No data are available in patients with severe hepatic impairment (see sections 4.2 and 4.3).
- Paediatric population: The pharmacokinetic profile of ivabradine in paediatric chronic heart failure patients aged 6 months to less than 18 years is similar to the pharmacokinetics described in adults when a titration scheme based on age and weight is applied.

### Pharmacokinetic/pharmacodynamic (PK/PD) relationship

PK/PD relationship analysis has shown that heart rate decreases almost linearly with increasing ivabradine and S 18982 plasma concentrations for doses of up to 15-20 mg twice daily. At higher doses, the decrease in heart rate is no longer proportional to ivabradine plasma concentrations and tends to reach a plateau. High exposures to ivabradine that may occur when ivabradine is given in combination with strong CYP3A4 inhibitors may result in an excessive decrease in heart rate although this risk is reduced with moderate CYP3A4 inhibitors (see sections 4.3, 4.4 and 4.5). The PK/PD relationship of ivabradine in paediatric chronic heart failure patients aged 6 months to less than 18 years is similar to the PK/PD relationship described in adults.

### 5.3 Preclinical safety data

Non-clinical data reveal no special hazard for humans based on conventional studies of safety pharmacology, repeated dose toxicity, genotoxicity, carcinogenic potential. Reproductive toxicity studies showed no effect of ivabradine on fertility in male and female rats. When pregnant animals were treated during organogenesis at exposures close to therapeutic doses, there was a higher incidence of foetuses with cardiac defects in the rat and a small number of foetuses with ectrodactylia in the rabbit.

In dogs given ivabradine (doses of 2, 7 or 24 mg/kg/day) for one year, reversible changes in retinal function were observed but were not associated with any damage to ocular structures. These data are consistent with the pharmacological effect of ivabradine related to its interaction with hyperpolarisation-activated *I*h currents in the retina, which share extensive homology with the cardiac pacemaker *I*f current.

Other long-term repeat dose and carcinogenicity studies revealed no clinically relevant changes.

### Environmental Risk Assessment (ERA)

The environmental risk assessment of ivabradine has been conducted in accordance to European guidelines on ERA.

Outcomes of these evaluations support the lack of environmental risk of ivabradine and ivabradine does not pose a threat to the environment.

### 6. PHARMACEUTICAL PARTICULARS

### 6.1 List of excipients

Core
Anhydrous lactose
Magnesium stearate
Maltodextrin
Microcrystalline cellulose
Hydroxypropyl cellulose
Colloidal anhydrous silica

Film-coating
Hypromellose
Titanium dioxide
Macrogol 400
Yellow iron oxide (E172)
Red iron oxide (E172)
Polysorbate 80

### 6.2 Incompatibilities

Not applicable.

### 6.3 Shelf life

2 years

For bottles only: After first opening, use within 6 months.

### 6.4 Special precautions for storage

This medicinal product does not require any special storage conditions.

### 6.5 Nature and contents of container

Cold form blisters (OPA/Alu/PVC) in pack sizes of 14, 28, 56, 98 and 112 film-coated tablets. Cold form perforated unit dose blisters (OPA/Alu/PVC) in pack sizes of 14 x 1 and 56 x 1 film-coated tablets.

PVC/Aclar-Alu blisters in pack sizes of 14, 28, 56, 98 and 112 film-coated tablets. PVC/Aclar-Alu perforated unit dose pack in pack sizes of 14 x 1 and 56 x 1 film-coated tablets.

HDPE bottle with opaque polypropylene screw cap with aluminium induction sealing liner with wad and desiccant in sizes of 56, 98, and 100 film-coated tablets.

Not all pack sizes may be marketed.

### 6.6 Special precautions for disposal

No special requirements.

### 7. MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER

Jenson R+ Limited Fishleigh Court, Fishleigh Road, Barnstaple, Devon, United Kingdom EX31 3UD

### 8. MARKETING AUTHORISATION NUMBER(S)

EU/1/16/1145/001

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

Date of first authorisation:

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

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

### A. MANUFACTURER(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR BATCH RELEASE

Name and address of the manufacturer(s) responsible for batch release

McDermott Laboratories Limited t/a Gerard Laboratories 35/36 Baldoyle Industrial Estate Grange Road Dublin 13 Ireland

Mylan Hungary Kft. Mylan utca. 1 H-2900 Komárom Hungary

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 medical prescription.

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

### • Periodic Safety Update Reports

The requirements for submission of periodic safety update 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 Medicine 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.

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

### **CARTON/BOTTLE LABEL**

## 1. NAME OF THE MEDICINAL PRODUCT

Ivabradine JensonR 5 mg film-coated tablets

ivabradine

### 2. STATEMENT OF ACTIVE SUBSTANCE)

Each film-coated tablet contains 5 mg ivabradine (as hydrochloride)

### 3. LIST OF EXCIPIENTS

Contains lactose.

See package leaflet for further information.

### 4. PHARMACEUTICAL FORM AND CONTENTS

Film-coated tablet

Blister

14 film-coated tablets

14 x 1 film-coated tablets

28 film-coated tablets

56 film-coated tablets

56 x 1 film-coated tablets

98 film-coated tablets

112 film-coated tablets

Bottle

56 film-coated tablets

98 film-coated tablets

100 film-coated tablets

### 5. METHOD AND ROUTE 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** 

Bottle: After first opening, use within 6 months.

### 9. SPECIAL STORAGE CONDITIONS

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

### 11. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER

Jenson R+ Limited Fishleigh Court, Fishleigh Road, Barnstaple, Devon, United Kingdom EX31 3UD

# 12. MARKETING AUTHORISATION NUMBER(S)

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13. BATCH NUMBER
Lot
Lot
14. GENERAL CLASSIFICATION FOR SUPPLY
15. INSTRUCTIONS ON USE
.41/0
16. INFORMATION IN BRAILLE
Ivabradine JensonR 5 mg film-coated tablets
17. UNIQUE IDENTIFIER – 2D BARCODE
Applicable only for the outer packaging component: 2D barcode carrying the unique identifier included.
18. UNIQUE IDENTIFIER – HUMAN READABLE DATA
Applicable only for the outer packaging component:
PC: SN:
NN:

MINIMUM PARTICULARS TO APPEAR ON BLISTERS OR STRIPS
BLISTERS
1. NAME OF THE MEDICINAL PRODUCT
Ivabradine JensonR 5 mg film-coated tablets
ivabradine
2. NAME OF THE MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER
Jenson R+ Limited
3. EXPIRY DATE
EXP
4. BATCH NUMBER
Lot
5. OTHER
$Mon \to Tue \to Wed \to Thu \to Fri \to Sat \to Sun$

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

### **CARTON/BOTTLE LABEL**

### 1. NAME OF THE MEDICINAL PRODUCT

Ivabradine JensonR 7.5 mg film-coated tablets

ivabradine

### 2. STATEMENT OF ACTIVE SUBSTANCE

Each film-coated tablet contains 7.5 mg ivabradine (as hydrochloride)

### 3. LIST OF EXCIPIENTS

Contains lactose.

See package leaflet for further information.

### 4. PHARMACEUTICAL FORM AND CONTENTS

Film-coated tablet

Blister

14 film-coated tablets

14 x 1 film-coated tablets

28 film-coated tablets

56 film-coated tablets

56 x 1 film-coated tablets

98 film-coated tablets

112 film-coated tablets

Bottle

56 film-coated tablets

98 film-coated tablets

100 film-coated tablets

### 5. METHOD AND ROUTE 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** 

Bottle: After first opening, use within 6 months.

### 9. SPECIAL STORAGE CONDITIONS

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

### 11. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER

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13. BATCH NUMBER
Lot
14. GENERAL CLASSIFICATION FOR SUPPLY
15. INSTRUCTIONS ON USE
:580
16. INFORMATION IN BRAILLE
Ivabradine JensonR 7.5 mg film-coated tablets
17. UNIQUE IDENTIFIER – 2D BARCODE
Applicable only for the outer packaging component:  2D barcode carrying the unique identifier included.
18. UNIQUE IDENTIFIER – HUMAN READABLE DATA
Applicable only for the outer packaging component: PC: SN: NN:

MINIMUM PARTICULARS TO APPEAR ON BLISTERS OR STRIPS
BLISTERS
1. NAME OF THE MEDICINAL PRODUCT
Ivabradine JensonR 7.5 mg film-coated tablets
ivabradine
2. NAME OF THE MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER
Jenson R+ Limited
3. EXPIRY DATE
EXP
4. BATCH NUMBER
Lot
5. OTHER
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### Package leaflet: Information for the patient

### Ivabradine JensonR 5 mg film-coated tablets

### ivabradine

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

### 1. What Ivabradine JensonR is and what it is used for

Ivabradine JensonR (ivabradine) is a heart medicine used to treat:

- Symptomatic stable angina pectoris (which causes chest pain) in adult patients whose heart rate is over or equal to 70 beats per minute. It is used in adult patients who do not tolerate or cannot take heart medicines called beta-blockers. It is also used in combination with beta-blockers in adult patients whose condition is not fully controlled with a beta-blocker.
- Chronic heart failure in adult patients whose heart rate is over or equal to 75 beats per minute. It is used in combination with standard therapy, including beta-blocker therapy or when beta-blockers are contraindicated or not tolerated.

### About stable angina pectoris (usually referred to as "angina"):

Stable angina is a heart disease which happens when the heart does not receive enough oxygen. It usually appears between 40 and 50 years of age. The most common symptom of angina is chest pain or discomfort. Angina is more likely to happen when the heart beats faster in situations such as exercise, emotion, exposure to the cold or after eating. This increase in heart rate can cause the chest pain in people who suffer from angina.

### About chronic heart failure:

Chronic heart failure is a heart disease which happens when your heart cannot pump enough blood to the rest of your body. The most common symptoms of heart failure are breathlessness, fatigue, tiredness and ankle swelling.

### How does Ivabradine JensonR work

Ivabradine JensonR mainly works by reducing the heart rate by a few beats per minute. This lowers the heart's need for oxygen especially in the situations when an angina attack is more likely to happen. In this way Ivabradine JensonR helps to control and reduce the number of angina attacks.

Furthermore as elevated heart rate adversely affects the heart functioning and vital prognosis in patients with chronic heart failure, the specific heart rate lowering action of ivabradine helps to improve the heart functioning and vital prognosis in these patients.

## 2. What you need to know before you take Ivabradine JensonR

### Do not take Ivabradine JensonR

- if you are allergic to ivabradine or any of the other ingredients of this medicine (listed in section 6);
- if your resting heart rate before treatment is too slow (below 70 beats per minute);
- if you are suffering from cardiogenic shock (a heart condition treated in hospital);
- if you suffer from a heart rhythm disorder;
- if you are having a heart attack;
- if you suffer from very low blood pressure;
- if you suffer from unstable angina (a severe form in which chest pain occurs very frequently and with or without exertion);
- if you have heart failure which has recently become worse:
- if your heart beat is exclusively imposed by your pacemaker;
- if you suffer from severe liver problems;
- if you are already taking medicines for the treatment of fungal infections (such as ketoconazole, itraconazole), macrolide antibiotics (such as josamycin, clarithromycin, telithromycin or erythromycin given orally), medicines to treat HIV infections (such as nelfinavir, ritonavir) or nefazodone (medicine to treat depression) or diltiazem, verapamil (used for high blood pressure or angina pectoris);
- if you are a woman able to have children and not using reliable contraception;
- if you are pregnant or trying to become pregnant;
- if you are breast-feeding.

### Warnings and precautions

Talk to your doctor or pharmacist before taking Ivabradine JensonR

- if you suffer from heart rhythm disorders (such as irregular heartbeat, palpitation, increase in chest pain) or sustained atrial fibrillation (a type of irregular heartbeat), or an abnormality of electrocardiogram (ECG) called 'long QT syndrome',
- if you have symptoms such as tiredness, dizziness or shortness of breath (this could mean that your heart is slowing down too much).
- if you suffer from symptoms of atrial fibrillation (pulse rate at rest unusually high (over 110 beats per minute) or irregular, without any apparent reason, making it difficult to measure),
- if you have had a recent stroke (cerebral attack),
- if you suffer from mild to moderate low blood pressure,
- if you suffer from uncontrolled blood pressure, especially after a change in your antihypertensive treatment,
- if you suffer from severe heart failure or heart failure with abnormality of ECG called 'bundle branch block'
- if you suffer from chronic eye retinal disease,
- if you suffer from moderate liver problems,
- if you suffer from severe renal problems

If any of the above applies to you, talk straight away to your doctor before or while taking Ivabradine JensonR.

### Children and adolescents

Ivabradine JensonR is not intended for use in children and adolescents younger than 18 years.

### Other medicines and Ivabradine JensonR

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

Make sure to tell your doctor if you are taking any of the following medicines, as a dose adjustment of Ivabradine JensonR or monitoring should be required:

- fluconazole (an antifungal medicine)
- rifampicin (an antibiotic)
- barbiturates (for difficult sleeping or epilepsy)
- phenytoin (for epilepsy)
- *Hypericum perforatum* or St John's wort (herbal treatment for depression)
  - QT prolonging medicines to treat either heart rhythm disorders or other conditions:
    - quinidine, disopyramide, ibutilide, sotalol, amiodarone (to treat heart rhythm disorders)
    - bepridil (to treat angina pectoris)
    - certain types of medicines to treat anxiety, schizophrenia or other psychoses (such as pimozide, ziprasidone, sertindole)
    - anti-malarial medicines (such as mefloquine or halofantrine)
    - intravenous erythromycin (an antibiotic)
    - pentamidine (an antiparasitic medicine)
    - cisapride (against the gastro-oesophageal reflux)
- Some types of diuretics which may cause decrease in blood potassium level, such as furosemide, hydrochlorothiazide, indapamide (used to treat oedema, high blood pressure)

### Ivabradine JensonR with food and drink

Avoid grapefruit juice during treatment with Ivabradine JensonR.

### **Pregnancy and breast-feeding**

Do not take Ivabradine JensonR if you are pregnant or are planning to have a baby (see "Do not take Ivabradine JensonR").

If you are pregnant and have taken Ivabradine JensonR, talk to your doctor.

Do not take Ivabradine JensonR if you are able to become pregnant unless you use reliable contraceptive measures (see "Do not take Ivabradine JensonR").

Do not take Ivabradine JensonR if you are breast-feeding (see "Do not take Ivabradine JensonR"). Talk to your doctor if you are breast-feeding or intending to breast-feeding should be discontinued if you take Ivabradine JensonR.

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

### **Driving and using machines**

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Other side effects have also been reported:

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This medicine does not require any special storage conditions

For bottles, use within 6 months after first opening.

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

### What Ivabradine JensonR contains

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### What Ivabradine JensonR looks like and contents of the pack

Ivabradine JensonR 5 mg tablets are pink-coloured, oval shaped film-coated tablets scored on both sides, marked with "I 5" on one side and "M" on the other side of the tablet.

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Not all pack sizes may be marketed.

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### Package leaflet: Information for the patient

### Ivabradine JensonR 7.5 mg film-coated tablets

### ivabradine

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

### 1. What Ivabradine JensonR is and what it is used for

Ivabradine JensonR (ivabradine) is a heart medicine used to treat:

- Symptomatic stable angina pectoris (which causes chest pain) in adult patients whose heart rate is over or equal to 70 beats per minute. It is used in adult patients who do not tolerate or cannot take heart medicines called beta-blockers. It is also used in combination with beta-blockers in adult patients whose condition is not fully controlled with a beta-blocker.
- Chronic heart failure in adult patients whose heart rate is over or equal to 75 beats per minute. It is used in combination with standard therapy, including beta-blocker therapy or when beta-blockers are contraindicated or not tolerated.

### About stable angina pectoris (usually referred to as "angina"):

Stable angina is a heart disease which happens when the heart does not receive enough oxygen. It usually appears between 40 and 50 years of age. The most common symptom of angina is chest pain or discomfort. Angina is more likely to happen when the heart beats faster in situations such as exercise, emotion, exposure to the cold or after eating. This increase in heart rate can cause the chest pain in people who suffer from angina.

### About chronic heart failure:

Chronic heart failure is a heart disease which happens when your heart cannot pump enough blood to the rest of your body. The most common symptoms of heart failure are breathlessness, fatigue, tiredness and ankle swelling.

### How does Ivabradine JensonR work

Ivabradine JensonR mainly works by reducing the heart rate by a few beats per minute. This lowers the heart's need for oxygen especially in the situations when an angina attack is more likely to happen. In this way Ivabradine JensonR helps to control and reduce the number of angina attacks.

Furthermore as elevated heart rate adversely affects the heart functioning and vital prognosis in patients with chronic heart failure, the specific heart rate lowering action of ivabradine helps to improve the heart functioning and vital prognosis in these patients.

### 2. What you need to know before you take Ivabradine JensonR

### Do not take Ivabradine JensonR

- if you are allergic to ivabradine or any of the other ingredients of this medicine (listed in section 6);
- if your resting heart rate before treatment is too slow (below 70 beats per minute);
- if you are suffering from cardiogenic shock (a heart condition treated in hospital);
- if you suffer from a heart rhythm disorder;
- if you are having a heart attack;
- if you suffer from very low blood pressure;
- if you suffer from unstable angina (a severe form in which chest pain occurs very frequently and with or without exertion);
- if you have heart failure which has recently become worse:
- if your heart beat is exclusively imposed by your pacemaker;
- if you suffer from severe liver problems;
- if you are already taking medicines for the treatment of fungal infections (such as ketoconazole, itraconazole), macrolide antibiotics (such as josamycin, clarithromycin, telithromycin or erythromycin given orally), medicines to treat HIV infections (such as nelfinavir, ritonavir) or nefazodone (medicine to treat depression) or diltiazem, verapamil (used for high blood pressure or angina pectoris);
- if you are a woman able to have children and not using reliable contraception;
- if you are pregnant or trying to become pregnant;
- if you are breast-feeding.

### Warnings and precautions

Talk to your doctor or pharmacist before taking Ivabradine JensonR

- if you suffer from heart rhythm disorders (such as irregular heartbeat, palpitation, increase in chest pain) or sustained atrial fibrillation (a type of irregular heartbeat), or an abnormality of electrocardiogram (ECG) called 'long QT syndrome',
- if you have symptoms such as tiredness, dizziness or shortness of breath (this could mean that your heart is slowing down too much),
- if you suffer from symptoms of atrial fibrillation (pulse rate at rest unusually high (over 110 beats per minute) or irregular, without any apparent reason, making it difficult to measure),
- if you have had a recent stroke (cerebral attack),
- if you suffer from mild to moderate low blood pressure,
- if you suffer from uncontrolled blood pressure, especially after a change in your antihypertensive treatment,
- if you suffer from severe heart failure or heart failure with abnormality of ECG called 'bundle branch block'
- if you suffer from chronic eye retinal disease,
- if you suffer from moderate liver problems,
- if you suffer from severe renal problems

If any of the above applies to you, talk straight away to your doctor before or while taking Ivabradine JensonR.

### Children and adolescents

Ivabradine JensonR is not intended for use in children and adolescents younger than 18 years.

### Other medicines and Ivabradine JensonR

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

Make sure to tell your doctor if you are taking any of the following medicines, as a dose adjustment of Ivabradine JensonR or monitoring should be required:

- fluconazole (an antifungal medicine)
- rifampicin (an antibiotic)
- barbiturates (for difficult sleeping or epilepsy)
- phenytoin (for epilepsy)
- *Hypericum perforatum* or St John's wort (herbal treatment for depression)
- QT prolonging medicines to treat either heart rhythm disorders or other conditions:
  - quinidine, disopyramide, ibutilide, sotalol, amiodarone (to treat heart rhythm disorders)
  - bepridil (to treat angina pectoris)
  - certain types of medicines to treat anxiety, schizophrenia or other psychoses (such as pimozide, ziprasidone, sertindole)
  - anti-malarial medicines (such as mefloquine or halofantrine)
  - intravenous erythromycin (an antibiotic)
  - pentamidine (an antiparasitic medicine)
  - cisapride (against the gastro-oesophageal reflux)
- Some types of diuretics which may cause decrease in blood potassium level, such as furosemide, hydrochlorothiazide, indapamide (used to treat oedema, high blood pressure).

### Ivabradine JensonR with food and drink

Avoid grapefruit juice during treatment with Ivabradine JensonR.

### **Pregnancy and breast-feeding**

Do not take Ivabradine JensonR if you are pregnant or are planning to have a baby (see "Do not take Ivabradine JensonR").

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### What Ivabradine JensonR contains

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