

## READ THIS FOR SAFE AND EFFECTIVE USE OF YOUR MEDICINE

### PART III: PATIENT MEDICATION INFORMATION

#### MAVIRET

#### glecaprevir/pibrentasvir tablets

Read this carefully before you start taking MAVIRET and each time you get a refill. This leaflet is a summary and will not tell you everything about this drug. Talk to your healthcare professional about your medical condition and treatment and ask if there is any new information about MAVIRET.

#### Serious Warnings and Precautions

Hepatitis B activity (e.g., inflamed liver) may increase when taking antiviral drugs like MAVIRET, sometimes leading to liver failure and death. (See the “**To help avoid side effects...**” section, *Hepatitis B Reactivation*.)

#### What is MAVIRET used for?

- MAVIRET treats people with chronic (long-lasting) hepatitis C in adults. Hepatitis C is caused by an infection with the hepatitis C virus (HCV).
- There are 2 medicines in MAVIRET. They are called glecaprevir and pibrentasvir.
- It is not known if taking MAVIRET is safe and effective in children under 18 years of age.

#### How does MAVIRET work?

MAVIRET works by stopping the hepatitis C virus from multiplying. This will help remove the virus from your blood over time.

#### What are the ingredients in MAVIRET?

Each tablet contains the following medicinal ingredients: glecaprevir, pibrentasvir.

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### **What does MAVIRET look like?**

MAVIRET tablets are pink, oblong, film-coated tablets that are curved on both sides, and debossed on one side with 'NXT'.

### **MAVIRET comes in the following dosage forms:**

Each tablet has 100 mg of glecaprevir and 40 mg of pibrentasvir.

### **Do not use MAVIRET if:**

- you are allergic to any of the ingredients in MAVIRET. (See the section “**What are the ingredients in MAVIRET?**” to see all the ingredients.)
- your doctor has told you that you have severe loss of liver function.
- you are taking any of the following medicines:
  - atazanavir (Evotaz<sup>®</sup>, Reyataz<sup>®</sup>)
  - atorvastatin (Lipitor<sup>®</sup>)
  - dabigatran etexilate (Pradaxa<sup>®</sup>)
  - ethinyl estradiol-containing medicines such as tablets or vaginal rings used to prevent pregnancy
  - rifampin (Rifadin<sup>®</sup>, Rofact<sup>®</sup>)
  - simvastatin (Zocor<sup>®</sup>)

**To help avoid side effects and make sure you are using your medicines correctly, talk to your doctor before you take MAVIRET. Talk about any health problems you may have, including if you:**

- have liver problems other than hepatitis C infection.
- are taking other drugs for viral infections.
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. The effects of MAVIRET during pregnancy are not known. Avoid pregnancy while taking MAVIRET. Tell your doctor if you become pregnant while taking MAVIRET.
- are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed. It is not known if MAVIRET passes into your breast milk. Talk to your doctor about the best way to feed your baby if you take MAVIRET.
- have galactose intolerance (e.g., lactase deficiency or glucose-galactose malabsorption) as this product contains lactose.

### Hepatitis B Reactivation

Taking antiviral drugs such as MAVIRET may increase hepatitis B activity. This can lead to liver problems such as liver failure and death. Talk to your doctor if:

- you have never been tested for hepatitis B.
- you know you have a current hepatitis B infection.
- you have had a previous hepatitis B infection.

Your doctor may order blood tests to see if you need hepatitis B treatment.

If any of the above apply to you (or you are not sure), talk to your doctor or pharmacist before taking MAVIRET.

Tell your healthcare professional about all the medicines you take, including any drugs, vitamins, minerals, natural supplements or alternative medicines.

If you are taking any of the medicines in the table below, your doctor may need to change your dose of these medicines.

#### **Medicines you must tell your doctor about before taking MAVIRET**

<b>Medicine</b>	<b>Purpose of the medicine</b>
lovastatin pravastatin (Pravachol <sup>®</sup> ) rosuvastatin (Crestor <sup>®</sup> )	to lower blood cholesterol
carbamazepine (Tegretol <sup>®</sup> ) phenobarbital phenytoin (Dilantin <sup>®</sup> )	normally used for seizures
cyclosporine (Neoral <sup>®</sup> , Sandimmune <sup>®</sup> ) tacrolimus (Prograf <sup>®</sup> )	to suppress the immune system
darunavir (Prezista <sup>®</sup> ) efavirenz (Sustiva <sup>®</sup> , Atripla <sup>®</sup> ) lopinavir/ritonavir (Kaletra <sup>®</sup> ) rilpivirine (Edurant <sup>®</sup> , Complera <sup>®</sup> ) ritonavir (Norvir <sup>®</sup> )	for HIV infection
digoxin (Lanoxin <sup>®</sup> )	for heart problems or high blood pressure
St John's Wort ( <i>Hypericum perforatum</i> )	for mild depression
vitamin K antagonists (e.g., warfarin [Coumadin <sup>®</sup> ])	to help reduce clots from forming in the blood

### **How to take MAVIRET:**

- Take MAVIRET exactly as your doctor tells you. Do not change your dose or stop unless your doctor tells you to. If you reduce or miss a dose, the medicines may not be as effective against the virus.
- It is important that you do not miss or skip doses of MAVIRET during treatment.
- Swallow MAVIRET tablets whole. Do not chew, break, or crush MAVIRET tablets.

### **Usual adult dose:**

- Take 3 MAVIRET tablets all at once each day with food. The type of food is not important.
- MAVIRET is taken for either 8, 12 or 16 weeks. Your doctor will tell you exactly how long you need to take MAVIRET.

### **Overdose:**

If you think you have taken too much MAVIRET, contact your healthcare professional, hospital emergency department or regional poison control centre immediately, even if there are no symptoms.

### **Missed dose:**

If you do miss a dose and it is:

- less than 18 hours from the time you usually take MAVIRET - take the missed dose with food as soon as possible. Then take your next dose at your usual time.
- more than 18 hours from the time you usually take MAVIRET - do not take the missed dose. Take your next dose as usual with food.

Do not take a double dose to make up for a forgotten dose.

### **What are possible side effects from using MAVIRET?**

These are not all the possible side effects you may feel when taking MAVIRET. If you experience any side effects not listed here, contact your healthcare professional.

The most common side effects of MAVIRET are tiredness and headache. You could also have nausea (feeling sick in the stomach).

## **Reporting Side Effects**

You can report any suspected side effects associated with the use of health products to Health Canada by:

- Visiting the Web page on Adverse Reaction Reporting ([www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/drugs-health-products/medeffect-canada/adverse-reaction-reporting](http://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/drugs-health-products/medeffect-canada/adverse-reaction-reporting)) for information on how to report online, by mail or by fax; or
- Calling toll-free at 1-866-234-2345.

*NOTE: Contact your health professional if you need information about how to manage your side effects. The Canada Vigilance Program does not provide medical advice.*

## **Storage:**

- Store between 2 and 30°C.
- Keep MAVIRET out of the reach and sight of children and adolescents under 18 years of age.

## **If you want more information about MAVIRET:**

- Talk to your doctor.
- Find the most recent version of the full Product Monograph that is prepared for healthcare professionals and includes this Patient Medication Information by visiting the [Health Canada website](http://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada) ([www.canada.ca/en/health-canada](http://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada)), the manufacturer's website [www.abbvie.ca](http://www.abbvie.ca), or by calling 1-888-704-8271.

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