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### BIOTECH GABAPENTIN

#### PATIENT INFORMATION LEAFLET

**SCHEDULING STATUS**  
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**PROPRIETARY NAME, STRENGTH AND PHARMACEUTICAL FORM**  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 100, gabapentin, 100 mg (capsules).  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 300, gabapentin, 300 mg (capsules).  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 400, gabapentin, 400 mg (capsules).

**Read this entire leaflet carefully before you start taking BIOTECH GABAPENTIN.**

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- If you have further questions, please ask your doctor or your pharmacist.
- BIOTECH GABAPENTIN has been prescribed for you personally and you should not share your medicine with other people. It may harm them, even if their symptoms are the same as yours.

**1. WHAT DOES BIOTECH GABAPENTIN CONTAIN?**  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN contains gabapentin as the active ingredient.  
Other inactive ingredients are lactose monohydrate, maize starch, purified talc. The capsule consists of gelatine and colorants (titanium dioxide, red iron oxide and yellow iron oxide). Contains sugar (lactose monohydrate)

**2. WHAT BIOTECH GABAPENTIN IS USED FOR?**  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN is used to treat epilepsy.

**3. BEFORE YOU TAKE BIOTECH GABAPENTIN**  
**Do not take BIOTECH GABAPENTIN if:**

- you are allergic to any of the ingredients of BIOTECH GABAPENTIN
- you or your child is under the age of 12 years
- you are pregnant, trying for a baby, or breastfeeding.

**Take special care with BIOTECH GABAPENTIN if:**  
You suffer from any kind of mental disorder, the use of BIOTECH GABAPENTIN can potentiate these effects. Please inform your doctor before you start taking BIOTECH GABAPENTIN.

*You have a history of "Misuse, abuse potential or dependence"*  
Cases of misuse, abuse and dependence have been reported. If you have a history of misuse, abuse or dependence you should make your doctor of healthcare provided aware of this and you should be closely monitored.

*You develop suicidal ideation and behaviour:*  
Suicidal ideation and behaviour have been reported in patients treated with Gabapentinoids in several indications. Therefore, patients should be monitored for signs of suicidal ideation and behaviours and appropriate treatment should be considered. Patients and caregivers should be advised to seek medical advice should sign of suicidal ideation or behaviour emerge. You suffer from any type of kidney dysfunction.

*If you are aware that you are intolerant towards Lactose (a milk sugar)*  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN contains lactose and should not be used in patients with rare hereditary problems of lactose intolerance, Lapp lactase deficiency or glucose-galactose malabsorption.

*If you are an epileptic patient:*  
Treatment should not be stopped abruptly and you may be having an epileptic seizure. The discontinuation of BIOTECH GABAPENTIN treatment should be done gradually over a minimum of one week.  
Do not stop taking these capsules before you have consulted with your doctor.

**Taking BIOTECH GABAPENTIN with food and drink**  
Food does not alter the absorption of BIOTECH GABAPENTIN.

**Pregnancy and breastfeeding**  
If you are pregnant or breastfeeding your baby, please consult your doctor, pharmacist or other healthcare professional for advice before taking BIOTECH GABAPENTIN.  
Safety and efficacy during pregnancy and breastfeeding have not been established.

**Driving and using machinery:**  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN frequently causes dizziness and somnolence. Head and body injuries and road traffic incidents have also been reported with BIOTECH GABAPENTIN. Therefore, patients are advised not to drive, operate complex machinery or engage in other potentially hazardous activities until it is known whether this medication affects their ability to perform these activities. The concomitant use of alcohol will intensify these effects.  
Important information about some of the ingredients of BIOTECH GABAPENTIN  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN contains lactose and should not be administered to patients with rare hereditary problems, or a history of lactose intolerance, Lapp lactase deficiency or glucose-galactose malabsorption.

**Taking other medicines with BIOTECH GABAPENTIN:**  
Always tell your healthcare professional if you are taking any other medicine. (This includes complementary or traditional medicines.)  
You should avoid the use of antacids that contain aluminium or magnesium concomitantly with BIOTECH GABAPENTIN. It is recommended that BIOTECH GABAPENTIN be taken at least two hours after the administration of an antacid.  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN is not expected to interact with other antiepileptic medicines or the oral contraceptive pill.  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN may interfere with some laboratory tests, if you require a urine test tell your doctor or hospital that you are taking BIOTECH GABAPENTIN.  
Concurrent use of BIOTECH GABAPENTIN with alcohol and other CNS depressants may increase the CNS depressant effects e.g. decrease in alertness and increase in sleepiness.

**4. HOW TO TAKE BIOTECH GABAPENTIN**  
Do not share medicines prescribed for you with any other person.  
Always take BIOTECH GABAPENTIN exactly as your doctor has instructed you. You should check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are unsure. If you have the impression that the effect of BIOTECH GABAPENTIN is too strong or too weak, talk to your doctor or pharmacist.  
Your doctor will tell you how long your treatment will last as well as the dose of BIOTECH GABAPENTIN to start with and how to increase it.  
If you are an elderly patient (over 65 years of age), you should take BIOTECH GABAPENTIN normally except if you have problems with your kidneys.  
Your doctor may prescribe a different dosing schedule and/or dose if you have problems with your kidneys.  
Always swallow the capsules whole with plenty of water.  
Continue taking BIOTECH GABAPENTIN until your doctor tells you to stop.  
If you have the impression that the effect of BIOTECH GABAPENTIN is too strong or too weak, tell your doctor or pharmacist.

**If you take more BIOTECH GABAPENTIN than you should:**  
In the event of overdose, consult your doctor or pharmacist. If neither is available, contact the nearest hospital or poison control centre.  
Symptoms of overdose include dizziness, double vision, slurred speech, drowsiness, lethargy and mild diarrhoea.

**If you forget to take BIOTECH GABAPENTIN:**  
If you forget to take a dose, take it as soon as you remember unless it is time for your next dose. Do not take a double dose to make up for a forgotten individual dose.

**5. POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS:**  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN can have side effects. Not all side effects reported for BIOTECH GABAPENTIN are included in this leaflet. Should your general health worsen while taking BIOTECH GABAPENTIN, please consult your doctor, pharmacist or other health care professional for advice.

**If the following side effects occur, medical attention is required. Please contact your doctor or nearest hospital as soon as possible:**  
Clumsiness or unsteadiness; continuous, uncontrolled back and forth and/or rolling eye movement.  
Loss on memory; depression; suicidal ideation and behaviour, irritability or other mood or mental changes.

**Medical attention is required for the following side effects only if they continue or become bothersome:**  
Dizziness; drowsiness; fatigue; muscle ache or pain; swelling of hands, feet or lower legs; trembling or shaking; vision abnormalities including blurred or double vision.  
Weakness or loss of strength; dryness of mouth and throat; slurred speech; frequent urination; diarrhoea and indigestion; nausea and vomiting; headache; low blood pressure; trouble in sleeping; runny nose; dilatation of blood vessels; chest pain; rapid heartbeat.  
If you notice any side effects not mentioned in this leaflet, please inform your doctor or pharmacist.

**6. STORING AND DISPOSING OF BIOTECH GABAPENTIN**  
Store in a cool (at or below 25 °C) dry place.  
STORE ALL MEDICINES OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.  
Do not use the capsules after the expiry date shown on the carton.  
Return all unused medicine to your pharmacist.  
Do not dispose of unused medicine in drains or sewerage systems (e.g. toilets).

**7. PRESENTATION**  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 100: Transparent PVC and printed aluminium foil blister strips containing 10 capsules packed in an outer carton containing 100 capsules.  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 300: Transparent PVC and printed aluminium foil blister strips containing 10 capsules packed in an outer carton containing 100 capsules.  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 400: Transparent PVC and printed aluminium foil blister strips containing 10 capsules packed in an outer carton containing 100 capsules.

**8. IDENTIFICATION**  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 100: Size 3 hard gelatine capsule with white body and white cap, containing white crystalline powder.  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 300: Size 1 hard gelatine capsule with yellow body and yellow cap, containing white crystalline powder.  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 400: Size 0 hard gelatine capsule with orange body and orange cap, containing white crystalline powder.

**9. REGISTRATION NUMBER/REFERENCE NUMBER**  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 100: 43/2.5/0332  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 300: 43/2.5/0329  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 400: 43/2.5/0333

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#### PASIENTINLIGTINGSLAD

**SCHEDULING STATUS**  
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**HANDELSNAAM, FARMASEUTIESE VORM EN STERKTE**  
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BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 400, gabapentin, 400 mg (capsules).

**1. WAT BIOTECH GABAPENTIN BEVAAT?**  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN bevat gabapentin as die aktiewe bestanddeel.  
Andere hulpstowwings is kaseïenmonohidraat, melietielstelsel, gesuwerde tالك. Die kapsule bevat 'n mate gee nie. Dit kan hulle skade, sets al hulle simptome dieselfde as u n.

**2. WAARVOOR BIOTECH GABAPENTIN GEBRUIK WORD**  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN word gebruik om epilepsie te behandel.  
Bevat suiker (laktose monohidraat)

**3. WAT U MOET WEEË VOORBAT U BIOTECH GABAPENTIN NEEM**  
**Moenie BIOTECH GABAPENTIN neem as u:**  
- allergies is vir enige van die bestanddele van BIOTECH GABAPENTIN  
- u of u kind onder die ouderdom van 12 jaar is  
- u swanger is, as u beplan om swanger te raak of borsvoed  
- u aan enige soort geestesversteuring ly, die gebruik van BIOTECH GABAPENTIN kan hierdie effekte versterk. Lig asseblief u dokter in voor dat u BIOTECH GABAPENTIN begin neem.

**Wes besonder versigtig met BIOTECH GABAPENTIN indien:**  
U aan enige soort geestesversteuring ly, die gebruik van BIOTECH GABAPENTIN kan hierdie effekte versterk. Lig asseblief u dokter in voor dat u BIOTECH GABAPENTIN begin neem.

**4. HOE OM BIOTECH GABAPENTIN TE NEEM**  
Moenie medisyne wat u voorgeskryf is vir enige ander persoon gee nie.  
Gebruik BIOTECH GABAPENTIN altyd presies soos wat u dokter of apteker u gese het.  
Raadpleeg u dokter of apteker as u nie seker is nie. Se vir u dokter of apteker as u die indruk het dat die effek van BIOTECH GABAPENTIN te sterk of te swak is.  
U dokter sal u inlig oor hoe lank die behandeling met BIOTECH GABAPENTIN sal duur en ook met watter dosis u moet begin, en ook hoe om die dosis te verhoog.  
As u n bejaarde pasiënt is (ouer as 65 jaar), moet u BIOTECH GABAPENTIN normaalweg neem, behalwe as u probleme met u niese het.  
U dokter kan u ander doseringskedule en/of dosis voorskryf as u nierprobleme het.  
Silk altyd die kapsule heel met baie water.  
Se vir u dokter of apteker as u die indruk het dat die effek van BIOTECH GABAPENTIN te sterk of te swak is.

**As u meer BIOTECH GABAPENTIN gedrink het as wat u moes:**  
Raadpleeg u dokter of apteker onmiddellik in geval van oordosering. As nie een beskikbaar is, nie kontak die naaste hospitaal of gifsteruim. Simptome van n oor dosis sluit in duiseligheid, dubbele sig, onduidelike spraak, slaperigheid, lusteloosheid en ligte diarree.

**As u vergeet om BIOTECH GABAPENTIN te neem:**  
As u vergeet om n dubbele dosis neem om u vergete individuele dosis te vergoed nie.  
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**5. MOONTLIKE NEWE-EFFEKTE:**  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN kan newe-effekte we. Nie al die newe-effekte wat vir BIOTECH GABAPENTIN aangemeld is, is in hierdie blad opgeneem nie. As u abgeneem gesondheidsstoestand verander of as u n nuwe-effekte ervaar terwyl u BIOTECH GABAPENTIN gebruik, moet u u dokter, apteker of enige ander gesondheidskundige om advies raadpleeg.

**As enige van die volgende nuwe-effekte voorkom, word mediese aandag benodig. Kontak asseblief u dokter of naaste hospitaal so gou moontlik:**  
Lompheid of onstabielheit; aanhoudende, onbeheerde heen en weer en/of rollende oogbeweging.  
Verlies aan geheue; depressie; selfmoordgedagtes en -gedrag, prikkelbaarheid of ander but of oogbeweging.  
Verlies aan gewone, depressie; selfmoordgedagtes en -gedrag, prikkelbaarheid of ander but of oogbeweging.

**Mediese aandag is nodig vir die volgende nuwe-effekte, stegs as dit aanhou of lastig raak:**  
Duiseligheid; lompheid; moegheid; spierpyn of pyn; swelling van hande, voete of onderbene; bwe of skud; gesigskwaking, insluitend vaag of dubbelvisie.  
Swakheid en verlies aan krag; droe mond en keel; slapende spraak; gereelde urineer; diaree en swak spysvertering; naathed en opgooi; hoofpyn; iee bloeddruk; probleme met slaap; loopnens; dilatase van bloedvate; borspyn; vinige hartklop.  
Aps en nige newe-effekte opmerk wat nie in hierdie pamflet genoem word nie, moet u u dokter of apteker daaraan in kennis stel.

**6. BERIGING EN VERMIENING VAN BIOTECH GABAPENTIN**  
Bere in n koel (op of onder 25 °C) droe plek.  
BERE ALLE MEDISYNE BUITE BEREIK VAN KINDERS.  
Ornhandig alle ongebruikte medisyne aan u apteker.  
Moenie ongebruikte medisyne in dreine of rioolstels (bv. Toilette) weggooi nie.

**7. AANBIEDING**  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 100: Duiersigte blisterstroeke van PVC en gedrukte aluminiumfoelie met 10 kapsules.  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 300: Duiersigte blisterstroeke van PVC en gedrukte aluminiumfoelie met 10 kapsules.  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 400: Duiersigte blisterstroeke van PVC en gedrukte aluminiumfoelie met 10 kapsules.  
10 kapsules verpak in n buiteste kartondoos met 100 kapsules.

**8. IDENTIFIKASIE**  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 100: Grootte 3 harde gelatienkapsule met n wit lyf en n wit dop, wat n kristallyne poelie bevat.  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 300: Grootte 1 harde gelatienkapsule met geel lyf en n geel dop, wat n kristallyne poelie bevat.  
BIOTECH GABAPENTIN 400: Grootte 0 harde gelatienkapsule met oranje lyf en n oranje dop, wat n kristallyne poelie bevat.

**9. REGISTRASIONOMMER/VERWYSINGSNOMMER**  
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