CYPROHEPTADINE

(Brand Name: Periactin)

STRENGTH: 4 mg Tablets, 0.4 mg/ml oral syrup

ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION: ORAL. May be given with or without food.

ACTION OF MEDICATION: Serotonin antagonist antihistamine. Mostly used for its appetite stimulant side effect.

MOST COMMON SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED: Sedation (though some individuals have paradoxical excitement), difficulty urinating, increased heart rate, dry mouth and possibly resultant increase in water consumption.

SEVERE SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED: Hemolytic anemia has been reported though very rarely.

STORAGE: Keep away from light and store at room temperature. Do not refrigerate the tablets but the syrup may be refrigerated.

IF YOU MISS A DOSE: Do not double up on the next dose. Simply give the medication when it is remembered or pick up with the next dose, allowing at least the proper interval between doses according to the label instructions.

OTHER INFORMATION: yproheptadine is best avoided in patients with glaucoma, recovering from urinary blockage, seizure disorders, hyperthyroidism, and/or heart failure patients.

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