

1 **HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION**
2 **These highlights do not include all the information needed to use**
3 **OMNARIS® Nasal Spray safely and effectively. See full prescribing**
4 **information for OMNARIS Nasal Spray.**

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6 **OMNARIS® (ciclesonide) Nasal Spray**
7 **For Nasal Inhalation Only**
8 **Initial U.S. Approval: 2006**

9 -----INDICATIONS AND USAGE-----
10 OMNARIS Nasal Spray is a corticosteroid indicated for treatment of nasal
11 symptoms associated with seasonal allergic rhinitis in adults and children 6
12 years of age and older and perennial allergic rhinitis in adults and adolescents
13 12 years of age and older. (1.1, 1.2)

14 -----DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION-----
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16 For Intranasal Use Only
17 • 2 sprays per nostril once daily. (200 mcg) (2.1, 2.2)
18 • Priming Information: Gently shake and prime OMNARIS Nasal Spray
19 before using for the first time or when not used for four consecutive
20 days. (2)

21 -----DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS-----
22 • Nasal Spray: 50 mcg of ciclesonide in each 70-microliter spray. (3)
23 • Supplied in a 12.5 g bottle containing 120 sprays. (16)

24 -----CONTRAINDICATIONS-----
25 • Patients with a known hypersensitivity to ciclesonide or any of the
26 ingredients of OMNARIS Nasal Spray. (4)

27 -----WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS-----
28 • Epistaxis, *Candida albicans* infection, nasal septal perforation, impaired
29 wound healing. Monitor patients periodically for signs of adverse
30 effects on the nasal mucosa. Avoid spraying OMNARIS Nasal Spray
31 directly onto the nasal septum. Avoid use in patients with recent nasal
32 ulcers, nasal surgery, or nasal trauma. (5.1)

34 • Development of glaucoma or cataracts. Monitor patients closely with a
35 change in vision or with a history of increased intraocular pressure,
36 glaucoma, and/or cataracts. (5.2)
37 • Potential worsening of existing tuberculosis; fungal, bacterial, viral, or
38 parasitic infections, or ocular herpes simplex. More serious or even
39 fatal course of chickenpox or measles in susceptible patients. Use
40 caution in patients with the above because of the potential for worsening
41 of these infections. (5.3)
42 • Hypercorticism and adrenal suppression with very high dosages or at the
43 regular dosage in susceptible individuals. If such changes occur,
44 discontinue OMNARIS Nasal Spray slowly. (5.4)
45 • Potential reduction in growth velocity in children. Monitor growth
46 routinely in pediatric patients receiving OMNARIS Nasal Spray. (5.5,
47 8.4)

48 -----ADVERSE REACTIONS-----
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50 The most common adverse reactions (>2% incidence) included headache,
51 epistaxis, nasopharyngitis, ear pain, and pharyngolaryngeal pain. (6)

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53 **To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact Sunovion**
54 **Pharmaceuticals Inc. at 1-877-737-7226 or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or**
55 **www.fda.gov/medwatch for voluntary reporting of adverse events.**

56 -----USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS-----
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58 • Pregnancy: Use only if benefit justifies potential risk to fetus. (8.1)

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60 **See 17 for PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION and FDA-**
61 **approved patient labeling.**

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114 **1 INDICATIONS AND USAGE**

115 **1.1 Treatment of Seasonal Allergic Rhinitis**

116 OMNARIS Nasal Spray is indicated for the treatment of nasal symptoms associated
117 with seasonal allergic rhinitis in adults and children 6 years of age and older.

118 **1.2 Treatment of Perennial Allergic Rhinitis**

119 OMNARIS Nasal Spray is indicated for the treatment of nasal symptoms associated
120 with perennial allergic rhinitis in adults and adolescents 12 years of age and older.

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122 **2 DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION**

123 Administer OMNARIS Nasal Spray by the intranasal route only. Prior to initial use,
124 OMNARIS Nasal Spray must be gently shaken and then the pump must be primed by
125 actuating eight times. If the product is not used for four consecutive days, it should be gently
126 shaken and reprimed with one spray or until a fine mist appears. Illustrated patient's
127 instructions for proper use accompany each package of OMNARIS Nasal Spray.

128 **2.1 Seasonal Allergic Rhinitis**

129 **Adults and Children (6 Years of Age and Older):** The recommended dose of
130 OMNARIS Nasal Spray is 2 sprays per nostril once daily (200 mcg). The maximum total
131 daily dosage should not exceed 2 sprays in each nostril (200 mcg/day).

132 **2.2 Perennial Allergic Rhinitis**

133 **Adults and Adolescents (12 Years of Age and Older):** The recommended dose of
134 OMNARIS Nasal Spray is 2 sprays per nostril once daily (200 mcg). The maximum total
135 daily dosage should not exceed 2 sprays in each nostril (200 mcg/day).

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137 **3 DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS**

138 OMNARIS Nasal Spray is a metered-dose, manual-pump spray formulation
139 containing a hypotonic aqueous suspension of ciclesonide. Once primed, each actuation of
140 the pump delivers 50 mcg ciclesonide in a volume of 70 microliters from the nasal actuator.

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142 **4 CONTRAINDICATIONS**

143 OMNARIS Nasal Spray is contraindicated in patients with a known hypersensitivity
144 to ciclesonide or any of the ingredients of OMNARIS Nasal Spray [see *Warnings and*
145 *Precautions (5.3)*].

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147 **5 WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS**

148 **5.1 Local Nasal Effects**

149 Epistaxis: In clinical studies of 2 to 52 weeks' duration, epistaxis was observed more
150 frequently in patients treated with OMNARIS Nasal Spray than those who received placebo
151 [see *Adverse Reactions (6)*].

152 Candida Infection: In clinical studies with OMNARIS Nasal Spray, the development
153 of localized infections of the nose and pharynx with *Candida albicans* has occurred. When
154 such an infection develops, it may require treatment with appropriate local therapy and
155 discontinuation of OMNARIS Nasal Spray. Therefore, patients using OMNARIS Nasal
156 Spray over several months or longer should be examined periodically for evidence of
157 *Candida* infection or other signs of adverse effects on the nasal mucosa.

158 Nasal Septal Perforation: Instances of nasal septal perforation have been reported in
159 patients following the intranasal application of corticosteroids. No cases of nasal septal
160 perforation were identified in clinical studies with OMNARIS Nasal Spray. Avoid spraying
161 OMNARIS Nasal Spray directly onto the nasal septum.

162 Impaired Wound Healing: Because of the inhibitory effect of corticosteroids on
163 wound healing, patients who have experienced recent nasal septal ulcers, nasal surgery, or
164 nasal trauma should not use a nasal corticosteroid until healing has occurred.

165 **5.2 Glaucoma and Cataracts**

166 Nasal and inhaled corticosteroids may result in the development of glaucoma and/or
167 cataracts. Therefore, close monitoring is warranted in patients with a change in vision or
168 with a history of increased intraocular pressure, glaucoma, and/or cataracts.

169 The risk of glaucoma was evaluated by assessments of intraocular pressure in
170 3 studies including 943 patients. Of these, 390 adolescents or adults were treated for up to
171 52 weeks and 186 children ages 2 to 11 received treatment with OMNARIS Nasal Spray
172 200 mcg daily for up to 12 weeks. In these studies, no significant differences in intraocular
173 pressure changes were observed between OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200 mcg and placebo-
174 treated patients. Additionally, no significant differences between OMNARIS Nasal Spray
175 200 mcg and placebo-treated patients were noted during the 52-week study of adults and
176 adolescent patients in whom thorough ophthalmologic assessments were performed,
177 including evaluation of cataract formation using slit lamp examinations.

178 **5.3 Immunosuppression**

179 Patients who are using drugs that suppress the immune system are more susceptible to
180 infections than healthy individuals. Chickenpox and measles, for example, can have a more
181 serious or even fatal course in susceptible children or adults using corticosteroids. In
182 children or adults who have not had these diseases or been properly immunized, particular
183 care should be taken to avoid exposure. How the dose, route, and duration of corticosteroid
184 administration affect the risk of developing a disseminated infection is not known. The
185 contribution of the underlying disease and/or prior corticosteroid treatment to the risk is also
186 not known. If a patient is exposed to chickenpox, prophylaxis with varicella zoster immune
187 globulin (VZIG) may be indicated. If a patient is exposed to measles, prophylaxis with
188 pooled intramuscular immunoglobulin (IG) may be indicated. (See the respective package
189 inserts for complete VZIG and IG prescribing information.) If chickenpox develops,
190 treatment with antiviral agents may be considered.

191 Corticosteroids should be used with caution, if at all, in patients with active or
192 quiescent tuberculosis infections of the respiratory tract; or in patients with untreated local or
193 systemic fungal or bacterial infections; systemic viral or parasitic infections; or ocular herpes
194 simplex because of the potential for worsening of these infections.

195 **5.4 Hypothalamic-Pituitary-Adrenal Axis Effect**

196 Hypercorticism and Adrenal Suppression: When intranasal corticosteroids are used at
197 higher than recommended dosages or in susceptible individuals at recommended dosages,
198 systemic corticosteroid effects such as hypercorticism and adrenal suppression may appear.
199 If such changes occur, the dosage of OMNARIS Nasal Spray should be discontinued slowly,
200 consistent with accepted procedures for discontinuing oral steroid therapy.

201 The replacement of a systemic corticosteroid with a topical corticosteroid can be
202 accompanied by signs of adrenal insufficiency. In addition, some patients may experience
203 symptoms of corticosteroid withdrawal, e.g., joint and/or muscular pain, lassitude, and

204 depression. Patients previously treated for prolonged periods with systemic corticosteroids
205 and transferred to topical corticosteroids should be carefully monitored for acute adrenal
206 insufficiency in response to stress. In those patients who have asthma or other clinical
207 conditions requiring long-term systemic corticosteroid treatment, rapid decreases in systemic
208 corticosteroid dosages may cause a severe exacerbation of their symptoms.

209 **5.5 Effect on Growth**

210 Corticosteroids may cause a reduction in growth velocity when administered to
211 pediatric patients. Monitor the growth routinely (e.g., via stadiometry) in pediatric patients
212 receiving OMNARIS Nasal Spray.

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214 **6 ADVERSE REACTIONS**

215 Systemic and local corticosteroid use may result in the following:

- 216 • Epistaxis, nasal septal perforations, *Candida albicans* infection, impaired wound
217 healing [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.1)*]
- 218 • Cataracts and glaucoma [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.2)*]
- 219 • Immunosuppression [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.3)*]
- 220 • Hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal (HPA) axis effects, including growth reduction
221 [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.4, 5.5), Use in Specific Populations (8.4)*]

222 **6.1 Clinical Trials Experience**

223 Because clinical trials are conducted under widely varying conditions, adverse
224 reaction rates observed in clinical trials of a drug cannot be directly compared to rates in the
225 clinical trials of another drug and may not reflect the rates observed in practice.

226 The safety data described below for adults and adolescents 12 years of age and older
227 are based on 3 clinical trials of 2 to 6 weeks duration and one 52-week trial. In the 3 trials of
228 2 to 6 weeks duration, 1524 patients (495 males and 1029 females, ages 12 to 86 years old)
229 with seasonal or perennial allergic rhinitis were treated with OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200,
230 100, 50, or 25 mcg or placebo once daily. The racial distribution in these three trials included
231 1374 Caucasians, 69 Blacks, 31 Asians, and 50 patients classified as Other. The 52-week trial
232 was conducted in 663 patients (227 males and 436 females, ages 12 to 73 years old) treated
233 with OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200 mcg or placebo once daily. The racial distribution in this
234 trial included 538 Caucasians, 69 Blacks, 16 Asians, and 40 patients classified as Other. The
235 data from pediatric patients are based upon 4 clinical trials in which 1541 children (871
236 males and 670 females, ages 2 to 11 years old) with seasonal or perennial allergic rhinitis
237 were treated with OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200, 100, or 25 mcg or placebo once daily for 2 to
238 12 weeks. The racial distribution in these four trials included 1136 Caucasians, 273 Blacks,
239 20 Asians, and 112 patients classified as Other.

240 ***Adults and Adolescents 12 Years of Age and Older in Short-Term (2-6 weeks)***

241 ***Trials:*** In three short-term trials conducted in the US and Canada, 546 patients were treated
242 with OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200 mcg daily. Adverse reactions did not differ appreciably
243 based on age, gender, or race. Approximately 2% of patients treated with OMNARIS Nasal
244 Spray 200 mcg in clinical trials discontinued because of adverse reactions; this rate was
245 similar for patients treated with placebo. The table below displays reactions that occurred
246 with an incidence of 2% or greater and more frequently with OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200
247 mcg than with placebo in clinical trials of 2 to 6 weeks in duration.

248 **Table 1 Adverse Events from Controlled Clinical Trials 2 to 6 Weeks in Duration in** 249 **Patients 12 Years of Age and Older with Seasonal or Perennial Allergic Rhinitis**

Adverse Event	OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200 mcg Once Daily (N = 546) %	Placebo (N = 544) %
Headache	6.0	4.6
Epistaxis	4.9	2.9
Nasopharyngitis	3.7	3.3
Ear Pain	2.2	0.6

Pediatric Patients Aged 6 to 11 Years in Short-Term (2-12 weeks) Trials: In two short-term trials, conducted in the US and Canada, 913 patients were treated with OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200 mcg, 100 mcg or 25 mcg daily. Adverse events did not differ appreciably based on age, gender, or race. In clinical trials, 1.6% and 2.7% of patients treated with OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200 mcg or 100 mcg, respectively, discontinued because of adverse reactions; these rates were lower than the rate in patients treated with placebo (2.8%). Table 2 displays adverse events that occurred with an incidence of 3% or greater and more frequently with OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200 mcg than with placebo.

Table 2 Adverse Events from Controlled Clinical Trials 2 to 12 Weeks in Duration in Patients 6 to 11 Years of Age and Older with Seasonal or Perennial Allergic Rhinitis

Adverse Event	OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200 mcg Once Daily (N = 380) %	Placebo (N = 369) %
Headache	6.6	5.7
Nasopharyngitis	6.6	5.4
Pharyngolaryngeal pain	3.4	3.3

Pediatric Patients Aged 2 to 5 Years in Short-Term (6-12 weeks) Trials: In two short-term trials conducted in the US, 183 patients were treated with OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200 mcg, 100 mcg or 25 mcg daily. The distribution of adverse events was similar to that seen in the 6 to 11 year old children.

Long-Term (52-Week) Safety Trial: In a 52-week double-blind, placebo-controlled safety trial that included 663 adults and adolescent patients (441 treated with ciclesonide: 227 males and 436 females) with perennial allergic rhinitis, the adverse reaction profile over the treatment period was similar to the adverse event profile in trials of shorter duration. Adverse reactions, irrespective of drug relationship, that occurred with an incidence of 3% or greater and more frequently with OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200 mcg than with placebo were epistaxis, pharyngolaryngeal pain, sinusitis, headache, nasal discomfort, cough, bronchitis, influenza, back pain, and urinary tract infection. No patient experienced a nasal septal perforation or nasal ulcer during this long-term trial of OMNARIS Nasal Spray.

6.2 Post-Marketing Experience

The following adverse reactions have been reported in association with post-marketing use of the product and are not listed above: nasal congestion, nasal ulcer and dizziness. Because these reactions are reported voluntarily from a population of uncertain size and are generally not confirmed with a health care professional, it is not always possible to reliably estimate their frequency or to establish a causal relationship to drug exposure.

286 **7 DRUG INTERACTIONS**

287 *In vitro* studies and clinical pharmacology studies suggested that des-ciclesonide has
288 no potential for metabolic drug interactions or protein binding-based drug interactions [see
289 *Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)*].

290 In a drug interaction study, co-administration of orally inhaled ciclesonide and oral
291 ketoconazole, a potent inhibitor of cytochrome P450 3A4, increased the exposure (AUC) of
292 des-ciclesonide by approximately 3.6-fold at steady state, while levels of ciclesonide
293 remained unchanged. Erythromycin, a moderate inhibitor of cytochrome P450 3A4, had no
294 effect on the pharmacokinetics of either des-ciclesonide or erythromycin following oral
295 inhalation of ciclesonide [see *Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)*].
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297 **8 USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS**

298 **8.1 Pregnancy**

299 Teratogenic Effects: Pregnancy Category C.

300 There are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. OMNARIS
301 Nasal Spray should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the
302 potential risk to the fetus. Experience with oral corticosteroids since their introduction in
303 pharmacologic, as opposed to physiologic, doses suggests that rodents are more prone to
304 teratogenic effects from corticosteroids than humans. In addition, because there is a natural
305 increase in corticosteroid production during pregnancy, most women will require a lower
306 exogenous corticosteroid dose and many will not need corticosteroid treatment during
307 pregnancy.

308 Oral administration of ciclesonide in rats at approximately 35 times the maximum
309 human daily intranasal dose in adults based on mcg/m² produced no teratogenicity or other
310 fetal effects. However, subcutaneous administration of ciclesonide in rabbits at less than the
311 maximum human daily intranasal dose in adults based on mcg/m² produced fetal toxicity.
312 This included fetal loss, reduced fetal weight, cleft palate, skeletal abnormalities including
313 incomplete ossifications, and skin effects [see *Animal Toxicology and Pharmacology (13.2)*].

314 Nonteratogenic Effects: Hypoadrenalism may occur in infants born of mothers
315 receiving corticosteroids during pregnancy. Such infants should be carefully monitored.

316 **8.3 Nursing Mothers**

317 It is not known if ciclesonide is excreted in human milk. However, other
318 corticosteroids are excreted in human milk. In a study with lactating rats, minimal but
319 detectable levels of ciclesonide were recovered in milk. Caution should be used when
320 OMNARIS Nasal Spray is administered to nursing women.

321 **8.4 Pediatric Use**

322 The safety and effectiveness for seasonal and perennial allergic rhinitis in children 12
323 years of age and older have been established. The efficacy of OMNARIS Nasal Spray in
324 patients 6 to 11 years of age for treatment of the symptoms of seasonal allergic rhinitis was
325 demonstrated in one study in patients 6 to 11 years of age with seasonal allergic rhinitis. The
326 efficacy of OMNARIS Nasal Spray for the treatment of the symptoms of seasonal allergic
327 rhinitis in patients 5 years of age and younger has not been established. The efficacy of
328 OMNARIS Nasal Spray for the treatment of the symptoms of perennial allergic rhinitis in
329 patients 11 years of age and younger has not been established [see *Clinical Studies (14.1)*].
330 The safety of OMNARIS Nasal Spray in children 2 to 11 years of age was evaluated in 4
331 controlled clinical studies of 2 to 12 weeks duration [see *Clinical Pharmacology (12.2)*,
332 *Clinical Studies (14.1)*, and *Adverse Reactions (6.1)*].

333 Controlled clinical studies have shown that intranasal corticosteroids may cause a
334 reduction in growth velocity in pediatric patients. This effect has been observed in the
335 absence of laboratory evidence of hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal (HPA)-axis suppression,
336 suggesting that growth velocity is a more sensitive indicator of systemic corticosteroid
337 exposure in pediatric patients than some commonly used tests of HPA-axis function. The
338 long-term effects of this reduction in growth velocity associated with intranasal
339 corticosteroids, including the impact on final adult height, are unknown. The potential for
340 “catch-up” growth following discontinuation of treatment with intranasal corticosteroids has
341 not been adequately studied. The growth of pediatric patients receiving intranasal
342 corticosteroids, including OMNARIS Nasal Spray, should be monitored routinely (e.g., via
343 stadiometry). A 52-week, multicenter, double-blind, randomized, placebo-controlled parallel-
344 group study was conducted to assess the effect of orally inhaled ciclesonide on growth rate in
345 609 pediatric patients with mild persistent asthma, aged 5 to 8.5 years. Treatment groups
346 included orally inhaled ciclesonide 40 mcg or 160 mcg or placebo given once daily. Growth
347 was measured by stadiometer height during the baseline, treatment and follow-up periods.
348 The primary comparison was the difference in growth rates between ciclesonide 40 and 160
349 mcg and placebo groups. Conclusions cannot be drawn from this study because compliance
350 could not be assured. Ciclesonide blood levels were also not measured during the one-year
351 treatment period. There was no difference in efficacy measures between the placebo and the
352 orally inhaled ciclesonide groups.

353 The potential growth effects of prolonged treatment should be weighed against
354 clinical benefits obtained and the availability of safe and effective noncorticosteroid
355 treatment alternatives. To minimize the systemic effects of intranasal corticosteroids, each
356 patient should be titrated to the lowest dose that effectively controls his/her symptoms.

357 **8.5 Geriatric Use**

358 Clinical studies of OMNARIS Nasal Spray did not include sufficient numbers of
359 subjects aged 65 and over to determine whether they respond differently from younger
360 subjects. Other reported clinical experience has not identified differences in responses
361 between the elderly and younger patients. In general, dose selection for an elderly patient
362 should be cautious, usually starting at the low end of the dosing range, reflecting the greater
363 frequency of decreased hepatic, renal, or cardiac function, and of concomitant disease or
364 other drug therapy.

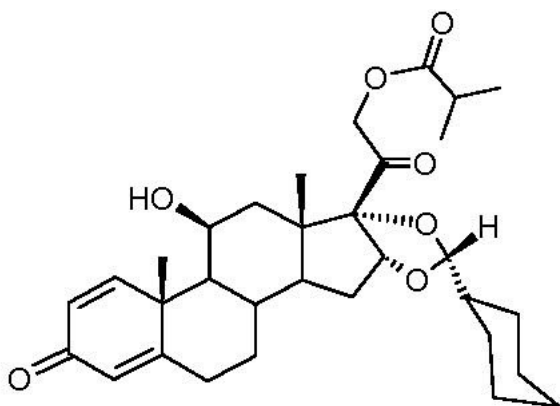
365 366 367 **10 OVERDOSAGE**

368 Chronic overdosage may result in signs or symptoms of hypercorticism [see
369 *Warnings and Precautions (5.4)*].

370 There are no data available on the effects of acute or chronic overdosage with
371 OMNARIS Nasal Spray.

372 373 **11 DESCRIPTION**

374 The active component of OMNARIS Nasal Spray is ciclesonide, a non-halogenated
375 glucocorticoid having the chemical name pregna -1,4-diene-3,20-dione, 16,17-[[R-
376 cyclohexylmethylene]bis(oxy)]-11-hydroxy-21-(2-methyl-1-oxopropoxy)-, (11 β ,16 α)-.
377 Ciclesonide is delivered as the R-epimer. The empirical formula is C₃₂H₄₄O₇ and its
378 molecular weight is 540.7. Its structural formula is as follows:



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Ciclesonide is a white to yellow-white powder, practically insoluble in water and freely soluble in ethanol and acetone. OMNARIS Nasal Spray is a metered-dose, manual-pump spray formulation containing a hypotonic aqueous suspension of ciclesonide. OMNARIS Nasal Spray also contains microcrystalline cellulose, carboxymethylcellulose sodium, hypromellose, potassium sorbate and edetate sodium; and hydrochloric acid to adjust the pH to 4.5.

390 12 CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

391 12.1 Mechanism of Action

392 Ciclesonide is a pro-drug that is enzymatically hydrolyzed to a pharmacologically
393 active metabolite, C21-desisobutyryl-ciclesonide (des-ciclesonide or RM1) following
394 intranasal application. Des-ciclesonide has anti-inflammatory activity with affinity for the
395 glucocorticoid receptor that is 120 times higher than the parent compound.

396 The precise mechanism through which ciclesonide affects allergic rhinitis symptoms
397 is not known. Corticosteroids have been shown to have a wide range of effects on multiple
398 cell types (e.g., mast cells, eosinophils, neutrophils, macrophages, and lymphocytes) and
399 mediators (e.g., histamine, eicosanoids, leukotrienes, and cytokines) involved in allergic
400 inflammation.

401 12.2 Pharmacodynamics

402 Adrenal Function: In a 12-week study in children 6 to 11 years of age with perennial
403 allergic rhinitis, daily doses of 200 mcg, 100 mcg, and 25 mcg of OMNARIS Nasal Spray
404 were compared to placebo nasal spray. Adrenal function was assessed by measurement of
405 24-hour urinary-free cortisol (in 32 to 44 patients per group) and morning plasma cortisol
406 levels (in 45 to 61 patients per group) before and after 12 consecutive weeks of treatment.
407 The ciclesonide-treated groups had a numerically greater decline in 24-hour urinary-free
408 cortisol compared to the placebo-treated group. The differences (and 95% confidence
409 intervals) from placebo in the mean change from baseline to 12 weeks were -0.81 (-4.0, 2.4),
410 -0.08 (-3.1, 2.9), and -2.11 (-5.3, 1.1) mcg/day for 200 mcg, 100 mcg, and 25 mcg dose
411 groups, respectively. The mean AM plasma cortisol value did not show any consistent
412 treatment effect with differences (and 95% confidence intervals) from placebo in the mean
413 change from baseline to 12 weeks of 0.35 (-1.4, 2.1), 0.12 (-1.5, 1.7), and -0.38 (-2.1, 1.3)

414 mcg/dL for 200 mcg, 100 mcg, and 25 mcg dose groups, respectively. In this study, serum
415 was assayed for ciclesonide and des-ciclesonide [see *Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)*].

416 In a 6-week study in children 2 to 5 years of age with perennial allergic rhinitis, daily
417 doses of 200 mcg, 100 mcg, and 25 mcg of OMNARIS Nasal Spray were compared to
418 placebo nasal spray. Adrenal function was assessed by measurement of 24-hour urinary-free
419 cortisol (in 15 to 22 patients per group) and morning plasma cortisol levels (in 28 to 30
420 patients per group) before and after 6 consecutive weeks of treatment. The ciclesonide-
421 treated groups had a numerically greater decline in 24-hour urinary-free cortisol compared to
422 the placebo-treated group. The differences (and 95% confidence intervals) from placebo in
423 the mean change from baseline to 6 weeks were -2.04 (-4.4, 0.3), -1.96 (-4.5, 0.6), and
424 -1.76 (-4.3, 0.8) mcg/day for the 200 mcg, 100 mcg, and 25 mcg dose groups, respectively.
425 The plasma cortisol also decreased numerically after treatment with ciclesonide. The
426 differences (and 95% confidence intervals) from placebo in the mean change in plasma
427 cortisol from baseline to 6 weeks were -1.04 (-2.7, 0.7), -0.36 (-2.1, 1.4), and
428 -0.12 (-1.8, 1.6) mcg/dL for the 200 mcg, 100 mcg, and 25 mcg dose groups, respectively. In
429 this study, serum was assayed for ciclesonide and des-ciclesonide [see *Clinical*
430 *Pharmacology (12.3)*].

431 There are no adequately conducted studies in adults and adolescents that assess the
432 effect of OMNARIS Nasal Spray on adrenal function.

433 **12.3 Pharmacokinetics**

434 Absorption: Ciclesonide and des-ciclesonide have negligible oral bioavailability
435 (both less than 1%) due to low gastrointestinal absorption and high first-pass metabolism.
436 The intranasal administration of ciclesonide at recommended doses results in negligible
437 serum concentrations of ciclesonide. However, the known active metabolite (des-
438 ciclesonide) is detected in the serum of some patients after nasal inhalation of ciclesonide.
439 The bioanalytical assay used has a lower limit of quantification of 25 pg/mL and 10 pg/mL,
440 for ciclesonide and des-ciclesonide, respectively.

441 In healthy adults treated for two weeks with 50 to 800 mcg of ciclesonide nasal spray
442 daily (n=6 in each treatment group), the peak serum concentrations of des-ciclesonide in all
443 subjects were found to be below 30 pg/mL. Of those treated with 800 mcg and 400 mcg
444 daily, 100% and 67% had detectable levels of des-ciclesonide, respectively. With daily doses
445 of 200 mcg or less, detectable serum levels of des-ciclesonide were not observed. The low
446 systemic exposure following ciclesonide nasal spray administration was confirmed in a
447 crossover study in twenty-nine healthy adults. The median C_{max} was less than 10 pg/mL and
448 602 pg/mL following a single dose of ciclesonide nasal spray (300 mcg) and orally inhaled
449 ciclesonide (320 mcg), respectively.

450 Distribution: Following intravenous administration of 800 mcg of ciclesonide, the
451 volumes of distribution of ciclesonide and des-ciclesonide were approximately 2.9 L/kg and
452 12.1 L/kg, respectively. The percentage of ciclesonide and des-ciclesonide bound to human
453 plasma proteins averaged $\geq 99\%$ each, with $\leq 1\%$ of unbound drug detected in the systemic
454 circulation. Des-ciclesonide is not significantly bound to human transcortin.

455 Metabolism: Ciclesonide is hydrolyzed to a biologically active metabolite, des-
456 ciclesonide, by esterases. Des-ciclesonide undergoes further metabolism in the liver to
457 additional metabolites mainly by the cytochrome P450 (CYP) 3A4 isozyme and to a lesser
458 extent by CYP 2D6. The full range of potentially active metabolites of ciclesonide has not
459 been characterized. After intravenous administration of ^{14}C -ciclesonide, 19.3% of the

460 resulting radioactivity in the plasma is accounted for by ciclesonide or des-ciclesonide; the
461 remainder may be a result of other, as yet, unidentified multiple metabolites.

462 Elimination: Following intravenous administration of 800 mcg of ciclesonide, the
463 clearance values of ciclesonide and des-ciclesonide were high (approximately 152 L/h and
464 228 L/h, respectively). ¹⁴C-labeled ciclesonide was predominantly excreted via the feces
465 after intravenous administration (66%) indicating that excretion through bile is the major
466 route of elimination. Approximately 20% or less of drug-related radioactivity was excreted
467 in the urine.

468 Special Populations: The pharmacokinetics of intranasally administered ciclesonide
469 have not been assessed in patient subpopulations because the resulting blood levels of
470 ciclesonide and des-ciclesonide are insufficient for pharmacokinetic calculations. However,
471 population pharmacokinetic analysis showed that characteristics of des-ciclesonide after oral
472 inhalation of ciclesonide were not appreciably influenced by a variety of subject
473 characteristics such as body weight, age, race, and gender.

474 Hepatic Impairment: Compared to healthy subjects, the systemic exposure (C_{max}
475 and AUC) in patients with liver impairment increased in the range of 1.4 to 2.7-fold after ex-
476 actuator administration of 1280 mcg ciclesonide via oral inhalation. Dose adjustment in liver
477 impairment is not necessary.

478 Renal Impairment: Studies in renally-impaired patients were not conducted since
479 renal excretion of des-ciclesonide is a minor route of elimination ($\leq 20\%$).

480 Pediatric: In pediatric subjects treated with 25 to 200 mcg of ciclesonide nasal spray
481 daily, serum concentrations of des-ciclesonide were below 45 pg/mL, with the exception of
482 one value of 64.5 pg/mL. In a 12-week study in children 6 to 11 years of age with perennial
483 allergic rhinitis, des-ciclesonide was detected in 50% of the subjects treated with 200 mcg
484 and in 5% of those treated with 100 mcg ciclesonide nasal spray daily. In a 6-week study in
485 children 2 to 5 years of age with perennial allergic rhinitis, des-ciclesonide was detected in
486 41%, 22%, and 13% of the subjects treated with 200 mcg, 100 mcg, and 25 mcg ciclesonide
487 nasal spray daily, respectively.

488 Drug-Drug Interactions: Based on *in vitro* studies in human liver microsomes, des-
489 ciclesonide appears to have no inhibitory or induction potential on the metabolism of other
490 drugs metabolized by cytochrome P450 enzymes. The inhibitory potential of ciclesonide on
491 cytochrome P450 isoenzymes has not been studied. *In vitro* studies demonstrated that the
492 plasma protein binding of des-ciclesonide was not affected by warfarin or salicylic acid,
493 indicating no potential for protein binding-based drug interactions.

494 In a drug interaction study, co-administration of orally inhaled ciclesonide and oral
495 ketoconazole, a strong inhibitor of cytochrome P450 3A4, increased the exposure (AUC) of
496 the active metabolite of ciclesonide, des-ciclesonide, by approximately 3.6-fold at steady
497 state, while levels of ciclesonide remained unchanged.

498 In another drug interaction study, co-administration of orally inhaled ciclesonide and
499 oral erythromycin, a moderate inhibitor of cytochrome P450 3A4, had no effect on the
500 pharmacokinetics of either des-ciclesonide or erythromycin.

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502 **13 NONCLINICAL TOXICOLOGY**

503 **13.1 Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility**

504 Ciclesonide demonstrated no carcinogenic potential in a study of oral doses up to 900
505 mcg/kg (approximately 20 and 10 times the maximum human daily intranasal dose in adults

506 and adolescents ≥ 12 years of age and children, 6 to 11 years of age, respectively, based on
507 mcg/m^2) in mice for 104 weeks and in a study of inhalation doses up to 193 mcg/kg
508 (approximately 8 and 5 times the maximum human daily intranasal dose in adults and
509 adolescents ≥ 12 years of age and children, 6 to 11 years of age, respectively, based on
510 mcg/m^2) in rats for 104 weeks. Ciclesonide was not mutagenic in an Ames test or in a
511 forward mutation assay and was not clastogenic in a human lymphocyte assay or in an *in*
512 *vitro* micronucleus test. However, ciclesonide was clastogenic in the *in vivo* mouse
513 micronucleus test. The concurrent reference corticosteroid (dexamethasone) in this study
514 showed similar findings. No evidence of impairment of fertility was observed in a
515 reproductive study conducted in male and female rats both dosed orally up to 900
516 $\text{mcg}/\text{kg}/\text{day}$ (approximately 35 times the maximum human daily intranasal dose in adults
517 based on mcg/m^2).

518 **13.2 Animal Toxicology and Pharmacology**

519 Reproductive Toxicology Studies: Oral administration of ciclesonide in rats up to
520 900 mcg/kg (approximately 35 times the maximum human daily dose in adults based on
521 mcg/m^2) produced no teratogenicity or other fetal effects. However, subcutaneous
522 administration of ciclesonide in rabbits at 5 mcg/kg (less than the maximum daily intranasal
523 dose in adults based on mcg/m^2) or greater produced fetal toxicity. This included fetal loss,
524 reduced fetal weight, cleft palate, skeletal abnormalities including incomplete ossifications,
525 and skin effects. No toxicity was observed at 1 mcg/kg (less than the maximum human daily
526 intranasal dose in adults based on mcg/m^2).

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529 **14 CLINICAL STUDIES**

530 **14.1 Seasonal and Perennial Allergic Rhinitis**

531 Adults and Adolescent Patients 12 Years of Age and Older: The efficacy of
532 OMNARIS Nasal Spray was evaluated in 3 randomized, double-blind, parallel-group,
533 multicenter, placebo-controlled clinical trials of 2 to 6 weeks duration conducted in the
534 United States and Canada in adolescents and adults with allergic rhinitis. The three trials
535 included a total of 1524 patients (495 males and 1029 females) of whom 79 were
536 adolescents, ages 12 to 17 years. The racial distribution in these three trials included 1374
537 Caucasians, 69 Blacks, 31 Asians, and 50 patients classified as Other. Of the 1524 patients,
538 546 patients received OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200 mcg once daily administered as 2 sprays
539 in each nostril. Patients enrolled in the studies were 12 to 86 years of age with a history of
540 seasonal or perennial allergic rhinitis, a positive skin test to at least one relevant allergen, and
541 active symptoms of allergic rhinitis at study entry. Assessment of efficacy in these trials was
542 based on patient recording of four nasal symptoms (runny nose, nasal itching, sneezing, and
543 nasal congestion) on a 0-3 categorical severity scale (0=absent, 1=mild, 2=moderate, and
544 3=severe) as reflective or instantaneous scores. Reflective scoring required the patients to
545 record symptom severity over the previous 12 hours; the instantaneous scoring required
546 patients to record symptom severity at the time of recording. The results of these trials
547 showed that patients treated with OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200 mcg once daily exhibited
548 statistically significantly greater decreases in total nasal symptom scores than placebo-treated
549 patients. Secondary measures of efficacy were also generally supportive.

550 Dose-Ranging Trial: One of the three trials was a 2-week dose-ranging trial that
551 evaluated efficacy of four doses of OMNARIS Nasal Spray in patients with seasonal allergic
552 rhinitis. The primary efficacy endpoint was the difference from placebo in the change from

553 baseline of the sum of morning and evening reflective total nasal symptom score averaged
 554 over the 2-week treatment period. Results of the primary efficacy endpoint are shown in
 555 Table 3. In this trial OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200 mcg once daily was statistically
 556 significantly different from placebo, but the lower doses were not statistically significantly
 557 different from placebo.

558 **Table 3 Mean change in reflective total nasal symptom score over 2 weeks in patients**
 559 **with seasonal allergic rhinitis**

Treatment	N	Baseline*	Change from Baseline	Difference from Placebo**		
				Estimate	95% CI	p-value
Seasonal Allergic Rhinitis Trial – Reflective total nasal symptom score						
Ciclesonide 200 mcg	144	18.8	-5.73	-1.35	(-2.43, -0.28)	0.014
Ciclesonide 100 mcg	145	18.7	-5.26	-0.88	(-1.96, 0.19)	0.11
Ciclesonide 50 mcg	143	18.4	-4.82	-0.44	(-1.52, 0.63)	0.42
Ciclesonide 25 mcg	146	18.7	-4.74	-0.35	(-1.42, 0.71)	0.51
Placebo	148	17.8	-4.38			

560 *Sum of AM and PM Scores; Maximum score = 24
 561 ** Estimates, 95% Confidence Intervals, and p-values were obtained from repeated measures ANCOVA analysis with treatment, baseline,
 562 day, and treatment by day interaction effects included in the model.
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564 *Seasonal Allergic Rhinitis Trial:* The second trial was a 4-week single dose level trial
 565 conducted in patients with seasonal allergic rhinitis. The primary efficacy endpoint in the
 566 seasonal allergic rhinitis trial was the difference from placebo in the change from baseline of
 567 the average of morning and evening reflective total nasal symptom score averaged over the
 568 first 2 weeks of treatment. In this trial, OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200 mcg once daily was
 569 statistically significantly different from placebo (Table 4). Statistically significant
 570 differences in the morning pre-dose instantaneous total nasal symptom score indicate that the
 571 effect was maintained over the full 24-hour dosing interval.

572 *Perennial Allergic Rhinitis Trial:* The third trial was a 6-week single dose level trial
 573 conducted in patients with perennial allergic rhinitis. The primary efficacy endpoint in the
 574 perennial allergic rhinitis trial was the difference from placebo in the change from baseline of
 575 the average of morning and evening reflective total nasal symptom score averaged over the
 576 6 weeks of treatment. In this trial, OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200 mcg once daily was
 577 statistically significantly different from placebo (Table 4). Statistically significant
 578 differences in the morning pre-dose instantaneous total nasal symptom score indicate that the
 579 effect was maintained over the full 24-hour dosing interval.

580 **Table 4 Mean changes in reflective total nasal symptom score and instantaneous total**
 581 **nasal symptom score in allergic rhinitis trials**

Treatment	N	Baseline*	Change from Baseline	Difference from Placebo**		
				Estimate	95% CI	p-value
Seasonal Allergic Rhinitis Trial – Reflective total nasal symptom score						
Ciclesonide 200 mcg	162	8.96	-2.40	-0.90	(-1.36, -0.45)	<0.001
Placebo	162	8.83	-1.50			

Seasonal Allergic Rhinitis Trial – Instantaneous total nasal symptom score						
Ciclesonide 200 mcg	162	8.45	-1.87	-0.84	(-1.30, -0.39)	<0.001
Placebo	162	8.33	-1.03			
Perennial Allergic Rhinitis Trial – Reflective total nasal symptom score						
Ciclesonide 200 mcg	232	7.59	-2.51	-0.62	(-0.97, -0.28)	<0.001
Placebo	229	7.72	-1.89			
Perennial Allergic Rhinitis Trial – Instantaneous total nasal symptom score						
Ciclesonide 200 mcg	232	7.05	-1.99	-0.53	(-0.90, -0.17)	0.004
Placebo	229	7.05	-1.46			

582 *Mean of AM and PM score from reflective total nasal symptom score; Mean of AM score for instantaneous total nasal symptom score;
583 Maximum = 12
584 ** Estimates, 95% Confidence Intervals, and p-values were obtained from repeated measures ANCOVA analysis with treatment, baseline,
585 day, and treatment by day interaction effects included in the model.

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587 *Onset of action:* Onset of action was evaluated in two environmental exposure unit
588 studies in patients with seasonal allergic rhinitis receiving a single dose of OMNARIS Nasal
589 Spray 200 mcg. Results from these two studies did not demonstrate a replicate onset of action
590 within the assessment period. Onset of action was also evaluated in the 4-week seasonal
591 allergic rhinitis and in the 6-week perennial allergic rhinitis trial by frequent recording of
592 instantaneous symptom score after the first dose. In these trials, onset of effect was seen
593 within 24 to 48 hours with further symptomatic improvement observed over 1 to 2 weeks in
594 seasonal allergic rhinitis and 5 weeks in perennial allergic rhinitis.

595 *Pediatric Patients Aged 6 to 11 Years:* The efficacy of OMNARIS Nasal Spray was
596 evaluated in two randomized, double-blind, parallel-group, multicenter, placebo-controlled
597 clinical trials in 1282 patients 6 to 11 years of age with allergic rhinitis. Of the two trials,
598 one was 2 weeks in duration conducted in patients with seasonal allergic rhinitis that
599 evaluated efficacy of 200 mcg and 100 mcg of OMNARIS Nasal Spray once daily. The
600 other trial was 12 weeks in duration conducted in patients with perennial allergic rhinitis that
601 evaluated efficacy of 200 mcg, 100 mcg, and 25 mcg of OMNARIS Nasal Spray once daily.
602 Of the total number of patients enrolled in the 2 studies, 380 were treated with 200 mcg of
603 OMNARIS Nasal Spray once daily. The primary efficacy endpoint was the difference from
604 placebo in the change from baseline of the average of morning and evening reflective total
605 nasal symptom score averaged over 2 weeks of treatment in the seasonal allergic rhinitis trial
606 and over the first 6 weeks of treatment in the perennial allergic rhinitis trial. In the 2-week
607 trial in patients with seasonal allergic rhinitis, the OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200 mcg once
608 daily dose was statistically significantly different from placebo, but the 100 mcg once daily
609 dose was not statistically significantly different from placebo. The efficacy results for the
610 seasonal allergic rhinitis trial are shown in Table 5.

611 **Table 5 Mean changes in reflective total nasal symptom score in 1 seasonal allergic**
612 **rhinitis trial in children 6 to 11 years of age**

Treatment	N	Baseline*	Change from Baseline	Difference from Placebo**		
				Estimate	95% CI	p-value
Reflective total nasal symptom score						
Ciclesonide	215	8.25	-2.46	-0.39	(-0.76, -0.02)	0.040

200 mcg						
Ciclesonide 100 mcg	199	8.41	-2.38	-0.32	(-0.69, 0.06)	0.103
Placebo	204	8.41	-2.07			

*Mean of AM and PM score from reflective total nasal symptom score; Maximum = 12

** Estimates, 95% Confidence Intervals, and p-values were obtained from repeated measures ANCOVA analysis with treatment, baseline, day, and treatment by day interaction effects included in the model.

In the 12-week trial in patients with perennial allergic rhinitis, none of the ciclesonide doses were statistically significantly different from placebo. The means and 95% confidence intervals for the differences (OMNARIS Nasal Spray minus placebo) between OMNARIS Nasal Spray 200 mcg, 100 mcg, and 25 mcg treatment groups and placebo were -0.31 (-0.75, 0.13), 0.02 (-0.41, 0.46), and 0.09 (-0.35, 0.53), respectively.

Pediatric Patients Aged 2 to 5 Years: Efficacy of OMNARIS Nasal Spray in patients 2 to 5 years of age has not been established [see *Pediatric Use (8.4)*].

16 HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING

OMNARIS is supplied in an amber glass bottle and provides for nasal delivery with a manual metered pump. OMNARIS Nasal Spray is supplied with an oxygen absorber sachet and enclosed in a foil pouch. The contents of one 12.5 gram bottle provide 120 actuations, after initial priming. Each spray delivers 50 mcg of ciclesonide from the nasal actuator. Prior to initial use, OMNARIS Nasal Spray must be gently shaken and then the pump must be primed by actuating eight times. The OMNARIS Nasal Spray bottle has been filled with an excess to accommodate the priming activity. The bottle should be discarded after removal from the foil pouch either after 120 sprays following initial priming (since the amount of ciclesonide delivered per spray thereafter may be substantially less than the labeled dose) or after 4 months. Patient instructions are also provided.

Store at 25°C (77°F); excursions permitted to 15-30°C (59-86°F) [See USP Controlled Room Temperature]. Do not freeze. Shake gently before use. Keep out of reach of children.

**Omnaris Nasal Spray 50 mcg, 120 metered sprays; net fill weight 12.5 g.
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17 PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION

See FDA-Approved Patient Labeling accompanying the product.

17.1 Local Nasal Effects

Patients should be informed that treatment with OMNARIS Nasal Spray may lead to adverse reactions, which include epistaxis and nasal ulceration. *Candida* infection may also occur with treatment with OMNARIS Nasal Spray. In addition, nasal corticosteroids are associated with nasal septal perforation and impaired wound healing. Avoid spraying OMNARIS Nasal Spray directly onto the nasal septum. Patients who have experienced recent nasal ulcers, nasal surgery, or nasal trauma should not use OMNARIS Nasal Spray until healing has occurred [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.1)*].

655 **17.2 Cataracts and Glaucoma**

656 Patients should be informed that glaucoma and cataracts are associated with nasal and
657 inhaled corticosteroid use. The patient should inform his/her health care provider if a change
658 in vision is noted while using OMNARIS Nasal Spray [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.2)*].

659 **17.3 Immunosuppression**

660 Patients who are on immunosuppressive doses of corticosteroids should be warned to
661 avoid exposure to chickenpox or measles, and if exposed, to consult their physician without
662 delay. Patients should be informed of potential worsening of existing tuberculosis, fungal,
663 bacterial, viral or parasitic infections, or ocular herpes simplex [see *Warnings and*
664 *Precautions (5.3)*].

665 **17.4 Use Daily**

666 Patients should use OMNARIS Nasal Spray at regular intervals since its effectiveness
667 depends on its regular use. In clinical trials, the onset of effect was seen within 24 to 48
668 hours with further symptomatic improvement observed over 1 to 2 weeks in seasonal allergic
669 rhinitis and 5 weeks in perennial allergic rhinitis. Initial assessment of response should be
670 made during this time frame and periodically until the patient's symptoms are stabilized.
671 The patient should take the medication as directed and should not exceed the prescribed
672 dosage. The patient should contact the physician if symptoms do not improve by a
673 reasonable time or if the condition worsens.

674 **17.5 Keep Spray Out of Eyes**

675 Patients should be informed to avoid spraying OMNARIS Nasal Spray in their eyes.

676 **17.6 Storage and Handling**

677 It is important that the bottle is gently shaken prior to use to ensure that a consistent
678 amount is dispensed per actuation. The bottle should be discarded after 120 actuations
679 following initial priming or after 4 months after the bottle is removed from the foil pouch,
680 whichever occurs first.

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