

## Summary of risk management plan for Apixaban 2.5 mg, 5 mg filmcoated tablets (Apixaban)

This is a summary of the risk management plan (RMP) for Apixaban 2.5 mg, 5 mg film-coated tablets. The RMP details important risks of Apixaban 2.5 mg, 5 mg film-coated tablets, how these risks can be minimised, and how more information will be obtained about Apixaban 2.5 mg, 5 mg film-coated tablets's risks and uncertainties (missing information).

Apixaban 2.5 mg, 5 mg film-coated tablets's summary of product characteristics (SmPC) and its package leaflet give essential information to healthcare professionals and patients on how Apixaban 2.5 mg, 5 mg film-coated tablets should be used.

### I. The medicine and what it is used for

Apixaban 2.5 mg and 5 mg film-coated tablets is authorised for the prevention of stroke and systemic embolism in adult patients with non-valvular atrial fibrillation (NVAf), with one or more risk factors, such as prior stroke or transient ischaemic attack (TIA); age  $\geq 75$  years; hypertension; diabetes mellitus; symptomatic heart failure (NYHA Class  $\geq$  II), as well as for the treatment of deep vein thrombosis (DVT) and pulmonary embolism (PE), and prevention of recurrent DVT and PE in adults. Apixaban 2.5 mg film-coated tablets is also authorised for the prevention of venous thromboembolic events (VTE) in adult patients who have undergone elective hip or knee replacement surgery (see SmPC for the full indication). It contains apixaban as the active substance and it is given orally.

### II. Risks associated with the medicine and activities to minimise or further characterise the risks

Important risks of Apixaban 2.5 mg, 5 mg film-coated tablets, together with measures to minimise such risks and the proposed studies for learning more about Apixaban 2.5 mg, 5 mg film-coated tablets's risks, are outlined below.

Measures to minimise the risks identified for medicinal products can be:

- Specific information, such as warnings, precautions, and advice on correct use, in the package leaflet and SmPC addressed to patients and healthcare professionals;
- Important advice on the medicine's packaging;
- The authorised pack size — the amount of medicine in a pack is chosen so to ensure that the medicine is used correctly;
- The medicine's legal status — the way a medicine is supplied to the patient (e.g. with or without prescription) can help to minimise its risks.

Together, these measures constitute *routine risk minimisation* measures.

In the case of Apixaban 2.5 mg, 5 mg film-coated tablets, these measures are supplemented with *additional risk minimisation measures* mentioned under relevant important risks, below.

If important information that may affect the safe use of Apixaban 2.5 mg, 5 mg film-coated tablets is not yet available, it is listed under 'missing information' below.

## II.A List of important risks and missing information

Important risks of Apixaban 2.5 mg, 5 mg film-coated tablets are risks that need special risk management activities to further investigate or minimise the risk, so that the medicinal product can be safely taken. Important risks can be regarded as identified or potential. Identified risks are concerns for which there is sufficient proof of a link with the use of Apixaban 2.5 mg, 5 mg filmcoated tablets. Potential risks are concerns for which an association with the use of this medicine is possible based on available data, but this association has not been established yet and needs further evaluation. Missing information refers to information on the safety of the medicinal product that is currently missing and needs to be collected (e.g. on the long-term use of the medicine);

<b>List of important risks and missing information</b>	
Important identified risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bleeding</li> </ul>
Important potential risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Liver injury</li> <li>• Potential risk of bleeding or thrombosis due to overdose or underdose</li> </ul>
Missing information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Severe renal impairment</li> </ul>

## II.B Summary of important risks

<b>Important identified risk</b>	
Bleeding	
Risk minimisation measures	Routine risk minimisation measures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>SmPC sections 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 4.5, 4.8 and 4.9</i></li> <li>• <i>Prescription only medicine</i></li> </ul> Additional risk minimisation measures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Prescriber Guide</i></li> <li>• <i>Patient Alert Card</i></li> </ul>

<b>Important potential risk</b>	
Liver injury	
Risk minimisation measures	Routine risk minimisation measures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>SmPC sections 4.2, 4.3, 4.4 and 4.8</i></li> <li>• <i>Prescription only medicine</i></li> </ul> Additional risk minimisation measures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>None</i></li> </ul>

<b>Important potential risk</b>
Potential risk of bleeding or thrombosis due to overdose or underdose

Risk minimisation measures	Routine risk minimisation measures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>SmPC sections 4.2 and 4.9</i></li> <li>• <i>Prescription only medicine</i></li> </ul> Additional risk minimisation measures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Prescriber Guide</i></li> </ul>
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<b>Missing information</b>	
Use in patients with severe renal impairment	
Risk minimisation measures	Routine risk minimisation measures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>SmPC sections 4.2, 4.4 and 5.2</i></li> <li>• <i>Prescription only medicine</i></li> </ul> Additional risk minimisation measures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>None</i></li> </ul>

## ***II.C Post-authorisation development plan***

### **II.C.1 Studies which are conditions of the marketing authorisation**

There are no studies which are conditions of the marketing authorisation or specific obligation of Apixaban 2.5 mg, 5 mg film-coated tablets.

### **II.C.2 Other studies in post-authorisation development plan**

There are no studies required for Apixaban 2.5 mg, 5 mg film-coated tablets.