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Inhalation powder, 50 microgram/500 microgram/dose.

This is a summary of the public assessment report (PAR) for Salfuler Easyhaler. It explains how Salfuler Easyhaler was assessed and its authorisation recommended as well as its conditions of use. It is not intended to provide practical advice on how to use Salfuler Easyhaler.

For practical information about using Salfuler Easyhaler, patients should read the package leaflet or contact their doctor or pharmacist.

What is Salfuler Easyhaler and what is it used for?

Salfuler Easyhaler is a ‘hybrid medicine’. This means that it is similar to a reference medicine containing the same active substance, but is given with a different inhaler.

The company has provided data to demonstrate that the performance of the drugs in this inhaler is similar to the reference product (so called therapeutic equivalence).

The reference medicine for Salfuler Easyhaler is Seretide Diskus forte.
Salfuler Easyhaler is used in the treatment of breathing problems such as:

- Asthma
- Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)

How does Salfuler Easyhaler work?

Salfuler Easyhaler contains two medicines, salmeterol and fluticasone propionate:

- Salmeterol is a long-acting bronchodilator. Bronchodilators help the airways in the lungs to stay open. This makes it easier for air to get in and out. The effects last for at least 12 hours.
- Fluticasone propionate is a corticosteroid which reduces swelling and irritation in the lungs.

How is Salfuler Easyhaler used?

The pharmaceutical form of Salfuler Easyhaler is inhalation powder for inhalation.

Please read section 3 of the package leaflet for detailed information on dosing recommendations, the route of administration, and the duration of treatment.

The medicine can only be obtained with a prescription.

What benefits of Salfuler Easyhaler have been shown in studies?

Because Salfuler Easyhaler is a hybrid application and is considered to be therapeutically equivalent, to the reference product Seretide Diskus forte, their benefits and risks are taken as being the same as those of the reference medicine.

What are the possible side effects of Salfuler Easyhaler?

For the full list of all side effects reported with Salfuler Easyhaler, see section 4 of the package leaflet.

For the full list of restrictions, see the package leaflet.

Why is Salfuler Easyhaler approved?

This medicine is similar to a reference medicine containing the same active substance, but is given with a different inhaler. Salfuler Easyhaler has been shown therapeutic equivalence to the reference product Seretide Diskus forte.

As therapeutic equivalence was shown, the Medical Products Agency in Sweden recommended that Salfuler Easyhaler can be approved for use.

What measures are being taken to ensure the safe and effective use of Salfuler Easyhaler?

A risk management plan has been developed to ensure that Salfuler Easyhaler is used as safely as possible. Based on this plan, safety information has been included in the summary of product characteristics and the package leaflet for Salfuler Easyhaler, including the appropriate precautions to be followed by healthcare professionals and patients.

Known side effects are continuously monitored. Furthermore new safety signals reported by patients/healthcare professionals will be monitored/ reviewed continuously as well.

Other information about Salfuler Easyhaler

The marketing authorisation for Salfuler Easyhaler was granted on 2018-06-08 in Sweden.

The full PAR for Salfuler Easyhaler can be found on the following website: <http://mri.medagencies.org/Human/>. For more information about treatment with Salfuler Easyhaler, please read the [package leaflet](#) or contact your doctor or pharmacist.

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