

# **Atarax**

# MR, F

# **UCB Nordic**

Filmdragerad tablett 25 mg (vita, avlånga, med brytskåra)

Lugnande medel

# Aktiv substans:

Hydroxizin

# ATC-kod:

N05BB01

Läkemedel från UCB Nordic omfattas av Läkemedelsförsäkringen.

# Miljöpåverkan

# Hydroxizin

Miljörisk: Risk för miljöpåverkan av hydroxizin kan inte uteslutas då ekotoxikologiska data saknas.

Nedbrytning: Det kan inte uteslutas att hydroxizin är persistent, då data saknas.

Bioackumulering: Hydroxizin har låg potential att bioackumuleras.

# Detaljerad miljöinformation

#### Predicted Environmental Concentration (PEC)

PEC is calculated according to the following formula:

PEC ( $\mu$ g/L) = (A×10<sup>9</sup> (100-R))/(365×P×V×D×100) = 1.5×10<sup>-6</sup> × A(100-R)

 $PEC = 0.09 \ \mu g/L$ 

#### Where:

A = 606.56 kg (total sold amount API in Sweden year 2020, data from IQVIA).

 $R = removal\ rate = 0\ \%$  (no data available), assuming zero removal (due to

loss by adsorption to sludge particles, by volatilization, hydrolysis or biodegradation).

 $P = number of inhabitants in Sweden = 10 \times 10^6$ 

V (L/day) = volume of waste water per capita and day = 200 (ECHA default) (Ref I) D = factor for dilution of waste water by surface water flow = 10 (ECHA default) (Ref I)

#### Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

Ecotoxicological studies
No ecotoxicity data is available.

## Environmental risk classification (PEC/PNEC ratio)

Since no ecotoxicity data is available the PEC/PNEC cannot be calculated, hence justifying the environmental risk classification phrase: "Risk of environmental impact of hydroxyzine cannot be excluded, since no ecotoxicity data are available".

## Degradation

No degradation data is available therefore the degradation phrase should be: "The potential for persistence of hydroxyzine cannot be excluded, due to lack of data".

#### Bioaccumulation

Partitioning coefficient:

An experimentally derived Log  $K_{ow}$  of 2.58 at neutral pH (method unknown) (Ref II)

Since Log  $K_{ow}$  < 4 at pH 7, hydroxyzine has low potential for bioaccumulation, justifying the phrase: "Hydroxizin has low potential for bioaccumulation".

#### Excretion (metabolism)

Hydroxyzine is excreted to < 1 % as parent compound. The most important metabolite cetirizine is active (also a H1 antagonist with potency assumed similar to mother compound) and eliminated intact in urine corresponding to 25 % of the mother compound. (Ref III)

#### References

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