

BRAND NAME:	SLEDLYN COUGH SYRUP
GENERIC NAME	AMMONIUM CHLORIDE, DIPHENHYDRAMINE HCL & SODIUM
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Summary of product characteristics

1. Name of the product

Sledlyn cough syrup

2. Qualitative & Quantitative composition

Ammonium Chloride, Diphenhydramine HCL & Sodium Citrate Syrup

3. Pharmaceutical Dosage Form

Oral Syrup.

4. Clinical Particulars

4.1 Therapeutic indications

For the oral symptomatic relief of common coughs (such as dry and/or tickly, or troublesome cough) associated with respiratory tract congestion and aids restful sleep.

4.2 Posology and method of administration

Posology - One to two 5ml spoonfuls to be taken every 4 hours To aid sleep the patient may start with two 5ml spoonfuls at bedtime followed by two 5 ml spoonfuls every 6 hours.

Not suitable for children under 12 years.

Do not take more than 4 doses (1 dose = two 5ml spoonfuls) in 24 hours.

Do not exceed the stated dose.

Method of Administration

Oral

4.3 Contraindications

• Hypersensitivity to any of the ingredients

- Children below 12 years of age
- Patients on monoamine oxidase inhibitor therapy within previous 14 days (see Section 4.5)

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4.4 Special warnings and precautions for use

Do not combine with other treatments for coughs and colds.

Sledlyn cough syrup should be used with caution in patients with the following conditions: prostatic hypertrophy, urinary retention, susceptibility to 'closed angle' glaucoma and hepatic disease.

Sledlyn cough syrup may cause drowsiness. Seek medical advice when suffering from chronic or persistent cough and when also suffering from asthma, and acute asthmatic attack or where cough is accompanied by excessive secretions.

Keep out of the reach and sight of children.

Excipient Warnings:

Parahydroxybenzoates may cause allergic reactions (possible delayed).

Sucrose:

Patients with rare hereditary problems of fructose intolerance, glucose-galactose malabsorption or sucrose-isomaltase insufficiency should not take this medicine.

4.5 Interaction with other medicinal products and other forms of interaction

- Additive CNS depressant effects with alcohol and other CNS depressants including barbiturates, hypnotics, opiod analgesics, anxiolytic sedatives and antipsychotics.
- Additive anti-muscarinic effects with other drugs of similar properties such as atropine and some anti-depressants.
- Not to be taken in patients taking monoamine oxidase inhibitors (MAOIs) or within 14 of stopping treatment as there is a risk of serotonin syndrome.
- Diphenhydramine can inhibit the oxidative metabolism of some drugs.
- Diphenhydramine may enhance the effects of ephedrine.
- Diphenhydramine may mask the response of the skin to allergenic skin tests and also the ototoxic symptoms associated with certain antibiotics.

4.6 Fertility, pregnancy and lactation

Pregnancy

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In view of the potential risks versus small benefits, it is recommended that Sledlyn cough syrup should not be used during pregnancy particularly as the safety of Sledlyn in human pregnancy is not established.

Lactation

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4.7 Effects on ability to drive and use machines

Sledlyn cough syrup may cause drowsiness.

Do not drive or operate machinery.

Avoid alcoholic drink.

4.8 Undesirable effects

The overall percentage of treated patients expected to experience adverse reactions is unknown.

Common side effects include:

CNS effects such as nervous drowsiness (usually diminishes within a few days), paradoxical stimulation, nervous headache, nervous psychomotor impairment. Anti-muscarinic effects such as urinary retention, dry mouth, blurred vision, gastrointestinal disturbances and thickened respiratory tract secretions.

Rare side effects include:

Hypotension, extrapyramidal effects, dizziness, confusion, depression, sleep disturbances, tremor, convulsions, palpitation, arrhythmia, hypersensitivity reactions, blood disorders and liver dysfunction.

Organ system	Common ADRs,	Uncommon ADRs,	Rare ADRs >1/10,000,
	>1/100, < 1/10	>1/1,000,	
Blood Lymphatic			Blood Disorders NOS
System Disorder			

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Cardiac Disorder			Palpitation, arrhythmia
Organ system Class	Common ADRs,	Uncommon ADRs,	Rare ADRs >1/10,000,
	>1/100, < 1/10	>1/1,000,	
Eye Disorders	Blurred vision		
Gastrointestinal	Dry mouth,		
Disorder	gastrointestinal		
	disturbance		
General Disorder	Paradoxical drug		
	reaction		
Hepatobiliary Disorder			Liver Disorder
Immune System			Hypersensitivity
Disorders			
Nervous System	Psychomotor skills		Tremor, convulsions,
Disorders	impairment,		extrapyramidal
	drowsiness, headache		disorder, dizziness
Psychiatric Disorders			Confusion, depression,
			sleep disturbances
Renal and Urinary	Urinary retention		
Disorder			
Respiratory Disorder	Increased upper airway		
	secretion		
Vascular Disorders			Hypertension

Reporting of suspected adverse reactions Reporting suspected adverse reactions after authorisation of the medicinal product is important. It allows continued monitoring of the benefit/risk balance of the medicinal product. Healthcare professionals are asked to report any suspected adverse reactions via the Yellow Card Scheme Website: www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard

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4.9 Overdose

Symptoms of overdosage include those due to diphenhydramine or menthol (drowsiness, dizziness, ataxia, anti-cholinergic effects, pyrexia, headaches, convulsions, hallucinations, excitement and respiratory depression). Treatment consists of gastric lavage and aspiration. Administration of activated charcoal may help. Other symptomatic and supportive measures should be provided.

5 PHARMACOLOGICAL PROPERTIES

5.1 Pharmacodynamic properties Pharmacotherapeutic group:

Antihistamines for systemic use

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Diphenhydramine possesses antitussive, antihistaminic, and anticholinergic properties and suppresses the urge to cough. It also dries up secretions in the nose and chest. Experiments have shown that the antitussive effect is discrete from its sedative effect. Taken at night will assist sleeping. Ammonium Chloride "Traditional" Expectorant. Menthol Subjective relief of upper respiratory congestion, it has mild local anaesthetic and cooling effect. Sledlyn cough syrup is a thick demulcent, which in the buccal cavity and throat forms a soothing film over the mucous membrane. This brings it into contact with the sensitive nerve endings of the throat lining.

5.2 Pharmacokinetic properties

Diphenhydramine Is a histamine receptor antagonist, Main site of metabolic transformation is the liver,

Oral availability - 50%,

Plasma bound - 80%,

Half life - 4 hours

Ammonium Chloride Effectively absorbed from GI tract. Ammonium Ion converted to urea by the liver. Acid ion released gives mild metabolic acidosis. Menthol After absorption menthol is excreted in the urine and bile as a glucuronide.

5.3 Preclinical safety data

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There are no preclinical data of relevance, within are additional to those already included in other sections of the SmPC.

6 PHARMACEUTICAL PARTICULARS

6.1 List of excipients

Menthol crystals

Citric acid

Sodium Benzoate

Benzoic acid

Caramel solution

6.2Incompatibilities

None known

6.3 Shelf life; 3years

6.4 Special Precautions for

Storage

Store below 30° C. Replace

cap securely.

6.5 Nature and Contents of

Container

200ml in Amber coloured pet

bottles with metallic screw

cap packed in a carton.

6.6 Instructions for Handling

None specific.

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7. Marketing authorisation holder

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- 8. Manufacturer
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- 9. Date of first authorisation/renewal of the authorisation
- 10. Date of revision of the text