

FDA APPROVES ONCE-DAILY MIRAPEX ER FOR THE TREATMENT OF EARLY PARKINSON'S DISEASE

Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals, Inc., today announced that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved Mirapex ER® (pramipexole dihydrochloride) extended-release tablets, a new once-daily treatment option for the signs and symptoms of early idiopathic Parkinson's disease (PD). MIRAPEX ER is not indicated for the treatment of advanced PD. Parkinson's disease is a chronic, slowly progressive and potentially debilitating neurological condition affecting nearly one million people in the U.S., with one person newly diagnosed every nine minutes.



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DID YOU KNOW?

- Every nine minutes someone in the U.S. is diagnosed with Parkinson's disease: In the time it takes you to listen to a few songs on your MP3 player, walk 10 city blocks, or book an airline ticket online, one more person has been diagnosed with the disease – possibly even someone you know.
- Nearly one million Americans have Parkinson's disease and approximately 60,000 new cases are diagnosed each year.
- The average age of a person diagnosed with Parkinson's disease is 60 years, but many are under the age of 50.
- A family history of Parkinson's disease is present in 15 to 25 percent of those who are diagnosed.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

These organizations have been included solely as educational resources for the PD community. Their inclusion does not indicate an endorsement/recommendation of MIRAPEX ER.



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Indications and Usage:

MIRAPEX ER tablets are a prescription medicine to treat the signs and symptoms of early Parkinson's disease. MIRAPEX ER is not approved to treat advanced Parkinson's disease.

MIRAPEX tablets are a prescription medicine to treat the signs and symptoms of idiopathic Parkinson's disease.

Important Safety Information:

MIRAPEX ER and MIRAPEX may cause you to fall asleep while you are doing daily activities such as driving, talking with other people, or eating. Talk to your doctor if you drink alcohol or take other medications that make you drowsy, as these can increase the chance that MIRAPEX ER or MIRAPEX will make you feel sleepy or fall asleep when you should be awake. When taking MIRAPEX ER or MIRAPEX, hallucinations (unreal visions, sounds or sensations) may occur and you may sometimes feel dizzy, nauseated, faint or sweaty when you sit up or stand quickly.

In a clinical trial for early Parkinson's disease (PD), the most commonly reported side effects of MIRAPEX ER that were more frequent than with placebo are sleepiness, nausea and vomiting, constipation, dizziness, fatigue, hallucinations, dry mouth, muscle spasms, and edema (swelling of the feet and ankles).

In clinical trials for early PD, the most commonly reported side effects of MIRAPEX that were more frequent than with placebo are nausea, dizziness, sleepiness, difficulty falling asleep, weakness, and constipation.

Some patients taking certain medicines to treat PD, including MIRAPEX ER and MIRAPEX, have reported problems such as gambling, compulsive eating, compulsive buying and increased sex drive. If you or your family members notice that you are developing unusual urges or behaviors, talk to your doctor.

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