

- ▶ **Elderly:** Initially 50 mg once daily for 3 days, then increased if necessary to 100 mg once daily for 4 days, then adjusted in steps of 50 mg, adjusted according to response, usual dose 50–300 mg once daily, dose of 300 mg should not be reached before day 22 of treatment

#### DOSE EQUIVALENCE AND CONVERSION

- ▶ Patients can be switched from immediate-release to modified-release tablets at the equivalent daily dose; to maintain clinical response, dose titration may be required.

- **CAUTIONS** Cerebrovascular disease · elderly · patients at risk of aspiration pneumonia · treatment of depression in patients under 25 years (increased risk of suicide)
- **INTERACTIONS** → Appendix 1: quetiapine
- **SIDE-EFFECTS**
- ▶ **Common or very common** Appetite increased · asthenia · dysarthria · dyspepsia · dyspnoea · fever · headache · hyperglycaemia · irritability · palpitations · peripheral oedema · rhinitis · sleep disorders · suicidal behaviour (particularly on initiation) · suicidal ideation (particularly on initiation) · syncope · vision blurred · withdrawal syndrome
- ▶ **Uncommon** Anaemia · diabetes mellitus · dysphagia · hyponatraemia · hypothyroidism · sexual dysfunction · skin reactions · thrombocytopenia
- ▶ **Rare or very rare** Angioedema · breast swelling · gastrointestinal disorders · hepatic disorders · hypothermia · menstrual disorder · metabolic syndrome · pancreatitis · rhabdomyolysis · severe cutaneous adverse reactions (SCARs) · SIADH
- **PREGNANCY** Use only if potential benefit outweighs risk.
- **BREAST FEEDING** Manufacturer advises avoid.
- **HEPATIC IMPAIRMENT** Manufacturer advises caution (risk of increased plasma concentrations).  
**Dose adjustments** Manufacturer advises for *immediate-release tablets*, initially 25 mg daily, increased daily in steps of 25–50 mg.  
Manufacturer advises for *modified-release tablets*, initially 50 mg daily, increased daily in steps of 50 mg.

- **MEDICINAL FORMS** There can be variation in the licensing of different medicines containing the same drug. Forms available from special-order manufacturers include: oral suspension, oral solution, powder

#### Modified-release tablet

##### CAUTIONARY AND ADVISORY LABELS 2, 23, 25

- ▶ **Atrolak XL** (Accord Healthcare Ltd)  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 50 mg** Atrolak XL 50mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £67.65 DT = £67.66  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 150 mg** Atrolak XL 150mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £107.45 DT = £113.10  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 200 mg** Atrolak XL 200mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £113.09 DT = £113.10  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 300 mg** Atrolak XL 300mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £169.99 DT = £170.00  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 400 mg** Atrolak XL 400mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £226.19 DT = £226.20
- ▶ **Biquelle XL** (Aspire Pharma Ltd)  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 50 mg** Biquelle XL 50mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £29.45 DT = £67.66  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 150 mg** Biquelle XL 150mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £49.45 DT = £113.10  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 200 mg** Biquelle XL 200mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £49.45 DT = £113.10  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 300 mg** Biquelle XL 300mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £74.45 DT = £170.00  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 400 mg** Biquelle XL 400mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £98.95 DT = £226.20
- ▶ **Branco XL** (Zentiva)  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 50 mg** Branco XL 50mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £8.99 DT = £67.66

- Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 150 mg** Branco XL 150mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £19.49 DT = £113.10
- Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 200 mg** Branco XL 200mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £19.49 DT = £113.10
- Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 300 mg** Branco XL 300mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £33.74 DT = £170.00
- Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 400 mg** Branco XL 400mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £44.99 DT = £226.20
- ▶ **Mintreleq XL** (Aristo Pharma Ltd)  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 50 mg** Mintreleq XL 50mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £14.99 DT = £67.66  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 150 mg** Mintreleq XL 150mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £29.99 DT = £113.10  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 200 mg** Mintreleq XL 200mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £29.99 DT = £113.10  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 300 mg** Mintreleq XL 300mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £49.99 DT = £170.00  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 400 mg** Mintreleq XL 400mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £64.99 DT = £226.20
- ▶ **Seroquel XL** (AstraZeneca UK Ltd)  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 50 mg** Seroquel XL 50mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £67.66 DT = £67.66  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 150 mg** Seroquel XL 150mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £113.10 DT = £113.10  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 200 mg** Seroquel XL 200mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £113.10 DT = £113.10  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 300 mg** Seroquel XL 300mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £170.00 DT = £170.00  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 400 mg** Seroquel XL 400mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £226.20 DT = £226.20
- ▶ **Sondate XL** (Teva UK Ltd)  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 50 mg** Sondate XL 50mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £11.99 DT = £67.66  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 150 mg** Sondate XL 150mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £25.99 DT = £113.10  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 200 mg** Sondate XL 200mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £25.99 DT = £113.10  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 300 mg** Sondate XL 300mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £44.99 DT = £170.00  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 400 mg** Sondate XL 400mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £59.99 DT = £226.20
- ▶ **Zaluron XL** (Fontus Health Ltd)  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 50 mg** Zaluron XL 50mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £27.96 DT = £67.66  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 150 mg** Zaluron XL 150mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £46.96 DT = £113.10  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 200 mg** Zaluron XL 200mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £46.96 DT = £113.10  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 300 mg** Zaluron XL 300mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £70.71 DT = £170.00  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 400 mg** Zaluron XL 400mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £93.98 DT = £226.20

#### Tablet

##### CAUTIONARY AND ADVISORY LABELS 2

- ▶ **Quetiapine (Non-proprietary)**  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 25 mg** Quetiapine 25mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £38.05 DT = £2.68  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 100 mg** Quetiapine 100mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £113.10 DT = £4.10  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 150 mg** Quetiapine 150mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £113.10 DT = £4.51  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 200 mg** Quetiapine 200mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £133.10 DT = £5.82  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 300 mg** Quetiapine 300mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £170.00 DT = £6.37
- ▶ **Seroquel** (AstraZeneca UK Ltd)  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 25 mg** Seroquel 25mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £48.60 DT = £2.68  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 100 mg** Seroquel 100mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £135.72 DT = £4.10  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 200 mg** Seroquel 200mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £135.72 DT = £5.82  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 300 mg** Seroquel 300mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £204.00 DT = £6.37

#### Oral suspension

##### CAUTIONARY AND ADVISORY LABELS 2

- ▶ **Quetiapine (Non-proprietary)**  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 20 mg per 1 ml** Quetiapine 20mg/ml oral suspension sugar free sugar-free | 150 ml [PoM](#) £99.28 DT = £99.28