

therapy, following each dose adjustment, and at least every 6 months thereafter.

- **TREATMENT CESSATION** Avoid abrupt withdrawal.
- **DIRECTIONS FOR ADMINISTRATION**
- **MEDIKINET® XL** Contents of capsule can be sprinkled on a tablespoon of apple sauce or yoghurt (then swallowed immediately without chewing).
- **EQUASYM® XL** Contents of capsule can be sprinkled on a tablespoon of apple sauce (then swallowed immediately without chewing).
- **PRESCRIBING AND DISPENSING INFORMATION** Different versions of modified-release preparations may not have the same clinical effect. To avoid confusion between these different formulations of methylphenidate, prescribers should specify the brand to be dispensed.
- **CONCERTA® XL** Consists of an immediate-release component (22% of the dose) and a modified-release component (78% of the dose).
- **MEDIKINET® XL** Consists of an immediate-release component (50% of the dose) and a modified-release component (50% of the dose).
- **EQUASYM® XL** Consists of an immediate-release component (30% of the dose) and a modified-release component (70% of the dose).

• PATIENT AND CARER ADVICE

Medicines for Children leaflet: Methylphenidate for attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) www.medicinesforchildren.org.uk/methylphenidate-attention-deficit-hyperactivity-disorder-adhd

Driving and skilled tasks **Drugs and Driving** Prescribers and other healthcare professionals should advise patients if treatment is likely to affect their ability to perform skilled tasks (e.g. driving). This applies especially to drugs with sedative effects; patients should be warned that these effects are increased by alcohol. General information about a patient's fitness to drive is available from the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency at www.gov.uk/government/organisations/driver-and-vehicle-licensing-agency.

2015 legislation regarding driving whilst taking certain drugs, may also apply to methylphenidate, see *Drugs and driving* under Guidance on prescribing p. 1.

CONCERTA® XL Tablet membrane may pass through gastro-intestinal tract unchanged.

DELMOSART® PROLONGED-RELEASE TABLET Manufacturer advises tablet membrane may pass through gastro-intestinal tract unchanged.

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

Modified-release tablet

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► Concerta XL (Janssen-Cilag Ltd)

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 18 mg Concerta XL 18mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £31.19 DT = £31.19 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 27 mg Concerta XL 27mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £36.81 DT = £36.81 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 36 mg Concerta XL 36mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £42.45 DT = £42.45 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 54 mg Concerta XL 54mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £73.62 DT = £36.80 [CD2]

► Delmosart (Actavis UK Ltd)

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 18 mg Delmosart 18mg modified-release tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £15.57 DT = £31.19 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 27 mg Delmosart 27mg modified-release tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £18.39 DT = £36.81 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 36 mg Delmosart 36mg modified-release tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £21.21 DT = £42.45 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 54 mg Delmosart 54mg modified-release tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £36.79 DT = £36.80 [CD2]

► Matoride XL (Sandoz Ltd)

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 18 mg Matoride XL 18mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £15.58 DT = £31.19 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 36 mg Matoride XL 36mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £21.22 DT = £42.45 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 54 mg Matoride XL 54mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £36.80 DT = £36.80 [CD2]

► Ritalin-SR (Imported (United States))

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 20 mg Ritalin-SR 20mg tablets | 100 tablet [PoM] [X] [CD2]

► Xaggitin XL (Ethypharm UK Ltd)

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 18 mg Xaggitin XL 18mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £15.58 DT = £31.19 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 27 mg Xaggitin XL 27mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £18.40 DT = £36.81 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 36 mg Xaggitin XL 36mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £21.22 DT = £42.45 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 54 mg Xaggitin XL 54mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £36.80 DT = £36.80 [CD2]

► Xenidate XL (Mylan)

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 18 mg Xenidate XL 18mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £15.57 DT = £31.19 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 27 mg Xenidate XL 27mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £18.39 DT = £36.81 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 36 mg Xenidate XL 36mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £21.21 DT = £42.45 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 54 mg Xenidate XL 54mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £36.79 DT = £36.80 [CD2]

Tablet

► Methylphenidate hydrochloride (Non-proprietary)

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 5 mg Methylphenidate 5mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £3.82 DT = £3.03 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 10 mg Methylphenidate 10mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £5.29 DT = £3.80 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 20 mg Methylphenidate 20mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £12.88 DT = £10.92 [CD2]

► Medikinet (Flynn Pharma Ltd)

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 5 mg Medikinet 5mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £3.03 DT = £3.03 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 10 mg Medikinet 10mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £5.49 DT = £3.80 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 20 mg Medikinet 20mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £10.92 DT = £10.92 [CD2]

► Ritalin (Novartis Pharmaceuticals UK Ltd)

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 10 mg Ritalin 10mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £6.68 DT = £3.80 [CD2]

► Tranquilyn (Genesis Pharmaceuticals Ltd)

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 5 mg Tranquilyn 5mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £3.03 DT = £3.03 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 10 mg Tranquilyn 10mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £4.27 DT = £3.80 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 20 mg Tranquilyn 20mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £10.92 DT = £10.92 [CD2]

Modified-release capsule

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► Methylphenidate hydrochloride (Non-proprietary)

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 10 mg Ritalin XL 10mg capsules | 30 capsule [PoM] £23.92 DT = £25.00 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 20 mg Ritalin XL 20mg capsules | 30 capsule [PoM] £28.72 DT = £30.00 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 30 mg Ritalin XL 30mg capsules | 30 capsule [PoM] £33.49 DT = £35.00 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 40 mg Ritalin XL 40mg capsules | 30 capsule [PoM] £57.43 DT = £57.72 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 60 mg Ritalin XL 60mg capsules | 30 capsule [PoM] £66.98 DT = £67.32 [CD2]

► Equasym XL (Shire Pharmaceuticals Ltd)

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 10 mg Equasym XL 10mg capsules | 30 capsule [PoM] £25.00 DT = £25.00 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 20 mg Equasym XL 20mg capsules | 30 capsule [PoM] £30.00 DT = £30.00 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 30 mg Equasym XL 30mg capsules | 30 capsule [PoM] £35.00 DT = £35.00 [CD2]

► Medikinet XL (Flynn Pharma Ltd) ▼

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 5 mg Medikinet XL 5mg capsules | 30 capsule [PoM] £24.04 DT = £24.04 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 10 mg Medikinet XL 10mg capsules | 30 capsule [PoM] £24.04 DT = £25.00 [CD2]

Methylphenidate hydrochloride 20 mg Medikinet XL 20mg capsules | 30 capsule [PoM] £28.86 DT = £30.00 [CD2]