

Adjusted in steps of 25–50 mg; maximum 750 mg per day

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- ▶ Child 12–17 years (under expert supervision): Initially 50 mg once daily, adjusted according to response. adjusted in steps of 50 mg daily, usual dose 400–800 mg once daily; maximum 800 mg per day

#### Treatment of mania in bipolar disorder

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- ▶ Child 12–17 years (under expert supervision): 25 mg twice daily for day 1, then 50 mg twice daily for day 2, then 100 mg twice daily for day 3, then 150 mg twice daily for day 4, then 200 mg twice daily for day 5, then adjusted in steps of up to 100 mg daily, adjusted according to response, usual dose 400–600 mg daily in 2 divided doses

#### 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.

- **UNLICENSED USE** Not licensed for use in children.
- **CAUTIONS** Cerebrovascular disease · 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 · dyspnoea · 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 · hyperthermia · 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** In adults, manufacturer advises dose reduction—consult product literature.

- **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

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- ▶ **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

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- 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
- ▶ **Brancico XL** (Zentiva)  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 50 mg** Brancico XL 50mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £12.00 DT = £67.66  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 150 mg** Brancico XL 150mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £26.00 DT = £113.10  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 200 mg** Brancico XL 200mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £26.00 DT = £113.10  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 300 mg** Brancico XL 300mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £45.00 DT = £170.00  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 400 mg** Brancico XL 400mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £60.00 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

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- ▶ **Quetiapine (Non-proprietary)**  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 25 mg** Quetiapine 25mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £38.05 DT = £17.70  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 100 mg** Quetiapine 100mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £113.10 DT = £3.46  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 150 mg** Quetiapine 150mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £113.10 DT = £4.45  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 200 mg** Quetiapine 200mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £133.10 DT = £5.68  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 300 mg** Quetiapine 300mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £170.00 DT = £6.66
- ▶ **Seroquel** (AstraZeneca UK Ltd)  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 25 mg** Seroquel 25mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £48.60 DT = £17.70  
**Quetiapine (as Quetiapine fumarate) 100 mg** Seroquel 100mg tablets | 60 tablet [PoM](#) £135.72 DT = £3.46