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חברת טבע מודיעה על העדכונים הבאים בעלון לרופא של התכשיר:

## Abitren® Teva 75 mg/3ml

Solution for I.M. Injection

אביטרן® טבע 75 מ"ג/ג 3 מ"ל

תמיסה להזרקה לתוך השריר

כל אמפולה של 3 מ"ל מכילה: *Diclofenac sodium 75 mg*

### התוויה כפי שאושרה בתעודת הרישום:

Treatment of:

- Exacerbations of inflammatory and degenerative forms of rheumatism: rheumatoid arthritis, ankylosing spondylitis, osteoarthritis, spondylarthritis, non-articular rheumatism.
- Treatment of painful conditions due to inflammation of non-rheumatic origin.
- Renal colic and biliary colic.
- Post-traumatic and post-operative pain, inflammation and swelling.

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#### 4.4 Special warnings and precautions for use

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The instructions for intramuscular injection should be strictly followed in order to avoid adverse events at the injection site, which may result in muscle weakness, muscle paralysis, hypoaesthesia, **embolia cutis medicamentosa (Nicolau syndrome)** and injection site necrosis.

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### **Injection site reactions:**

Injection site reactions have been reported after the administration of diclofenac intramuscularly, including injection site necrosis and embolia cutis medicamentosa, also known as Nicolau syndrome (particularly after inadvertent subcutaneous administration). Appropriate needle selection and injection technique should be followed during intramuscular administration of diclofenac (see section 4.2).

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## **4.6 Fertility, pregnancy and lactation**

### **Pregnancy**

Inhibition of prostaglandin synthesis may adversely affect the pregnancy and/or the embryo/foetal development. Data from epidemiological studies suggest an increased risk of miscarriage and or cardiac malformation and gastroschisis after use of a prostaglandin synthesis inhibitor in early pregnancy. The absolute risk for cardiovascular malformation was increased from less than 1% up to approximately 1.5%.

The risk is believed to increase with dose and duration of therapy. In animals, administration of a prostaglandin synthesis inhibitor has shown to result in increased pre-and post-implantation loss and embryo-foetal lethality.

In addition, increased incidences of various malformations, including cardiovascular, have been reported in animals given a prostaglandin synthesis inhibitor during organogenetic period. **From the 20th week of pregnancy onward, Abitren use may cause oligohydramnios resulting from foetal renal dysfunction. This may occur shortly after treatment initiation and is usually reversible upon discontinuation. In addition,** there have been reports of ductus arteriosus constriction following treatment in the second trimester, most of which resolved after treatment cessation. Therefore, during the first and second trimester of pregnancy, Abitren should not be given unless clearly necessary.

If Abitren Teva 75mg/3 ml is used by a woman attempting to conceive, or during the 1st or 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester of pregnancy, the dose should be kept as low as possible and duration of treatment as short as possible.

Rarely, use of NSAIDs, including Abitren, after 20 weeks gestation or later in pregnancy may cause fetal renal dysfunction leading to oligohydramnios and, in some cases, neonatal renal impairment.

These adverse outcomes were seen, on average, after days to weeks of treatment, although oligohydramnios has been infrequently reported as soon as 48 hours after NSAID initiation. Oligohydramnios is often, but not always, reversible with treatment discontinuation. Complications of prolonged oligohydramnios may, for example, include limb contractures and delayed lung maturation. In some postmarketing cases of impaired neonatal renal function, invasive procedures such as exchange transfusion or dialysis were required.

Use of NSAIDs after 20 weeks gestation should be limited. If the benefits outweigh the risks to the fetus and the treatment is necessary after 20 weeks gestation, limit Abitren use to the lowest effective dose and shortest duration possible.



Consider ultrasound monitoring of amniotic fluid if Abitren **full dose treatment extends beyond 5 days**. Discontinue Abitren if oligohydramnios occurs and follow up according to clinical practice. **Antenatal monitoring for oligohydramnios and ductus arteriosus constriction should be considered after exposure to diclofenac for several days from gestational week 20 onward. Voltarol should be discontinued if oligohydramnios or ductus arteriosus constriction is found.**

During the third trimester of pregnancy, all prostaglandin synthesis inhibitors may expose the foetus to:

- Cardiopulmonary toxicity (with premature **constriction**/closure of the ductus arteriosus and pulmonary hypertension).
- Renal dysfunction (see above).~~which may progress to renal failure with oligo-hydroamniosis.~~

The mother and the neonate, at the end of the pregnancy, to:

- Possible prolongation of bleeding time, an anti-aggregating effect which may occur even at very low doses.
- Inhibition of uterine contractions resulting in delayed or prolonged labour.

Consequently, Abitren Teva 75mg/3 ml is contraindicated during the third trimester of pregnancy. [...]

#### 4.8 Undesirable effects

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The following undesirable effects include those reported with ~~either~~ short-term or long-term use.

Table 1

<b>Infection and Infestations</b>	
<b>Very rare</b>	<b>Injection site abscess</b>

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<b>General disorders and administration site conditions</b>	
Common	Injection site reaction, injection site pain, injection site induration.
Rare	Oedema.
<b>Not known</b>	<b>Embolia cutis medicamentosa (Nicolau syndrome).</b>

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