

## HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

These highlights do not include all the information needed to use OLMESARTAN MEDDOXOMIL, AMLODIPINE and HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE TABLETS safely and effectively. See full prescribing information for OLMESARTAN MEDOXOMIL, AMLODIPINE and HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE TABLETS.

OLMESARTAN MEDOXOMIL, AMLODIPINE and HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE Tablets, for oral use

Initial U.S. Approval: 2010

<b>WARNING: FETAL TOXICITY</b>
<b>See full prescribing information for complete boxed warning.</b>
<b>When pregnancy is detected, discontinue olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets as soon as possible (5.1).</b>
<b>Drugs that act directly on the renin-angiotensin system can cause injury and death to the developing fetus (5.1).</b>
<b>INDICATIONS AND USAGE</b>
Olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets is a combination of an angiotensin 2 receptor blocker, a dihydropyridine calcium channel blocker, and a thiazide diuretic indicated for the treatment of hypertension, to lower blood pressure. Lowering blood pressure reduces the risk of fatal and nonfatal cardiovascular events, primarily strokes and myocardial infarctions. (1).
Olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets is not indicated for initial therapy.
<b>DOSE AND ADMINISTRATION</b>
Olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets may be substituted for its individually titrated components for patients on olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide (2).
Olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets may be used as add-on/switch therapy to provide additional blood pressure lowering for patients not adequately controlled on agents from two of the following antihypertensive classes: angiotensin receptor blockers, calcium channel blockers, and diuretics at their maximally tolerated, labeled, or usual dose (2).
Dosage may be increased after 2 weeks to a maximum dose of 40/10/25 mg once daily, usually by increasing one component at a time (2).

<b>DOSE FORMS AND STRENGTHS</b>
Tablets: (olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide) 20/5/12.5 mg, 40/5/12.5 mg, 40/5/25 mg, 40/10/12.5 mg and 40/10/25 mg (3)
<b>CONTRAINDICATIONS</b>
Anuria; Hypersensitivity to sulfonamide-derived drugs (4).
Do not coadminister aliskiren with olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide in patients with diabetes (4).
<b>WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS</b>
Avoid fetal or neonatal exposure (5.1)
Hypotension in volume- or salt-depleted patients with treatment initiation may occur. Correct volume-depletion prior to administration. (5.2)
Increased angina or myocardial infarction with calcium channel blockers may occur upon dosage initiation or increase (5.3).

<b>ADVERSE REACTIONS</b>
Most common adverse reactions (incidence ≥2%) are dizziness, peripheral edema, headache, fatigue, nasopharyngitis, muscle spasms, nausea, upper respiratory tract infection, diarrhea, urinary tract infection, and joint swelling (6.1).
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<b>DRUG INTERACTIONS</b>
Olmesartan medoxomil (7.2)
Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs): May lead to increased risk of renal impairment and loss of antihypertensive effect.
Dual inhibition of the renin-angiotensin system: Increased risk of renal impairment, hypotension, and hyperkalemia.
Colesevelam hydrochloride: Consider administering olmesartan at least 4 hours before colesevelam hydrochloride dose.
Lithium: Increases in serum lithium concentrations and lithium toxicity.

<b>AMLODIPINE (7.3)</b>
If simvastatin is coadministered with amlodipine, do not exceed doses greater than 20 mg daily of simvastatin.
<b>HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE (7.4)</b>
Alcohol, barbiturates, narcotics: Potentiation of orthostatic hypotension.
Antidiabetic drugs: Dosage adjustment of antidiabetic may be required.
Cholestyramine and colestipol: Reduced absorption of thiazides.
Corticosteroids, ACTH: Electrolyte depletion, hypokalemia.
NSAIDs: Can reduce the diuretic, natriuretic, and antihypertensive effects of diuretics.

<b>USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS</b>
Pregnancy: Avoid use in pregnancy (5.1).
Nursing mothers: Avoid use while nursing; discontinue either nursing or the drug (8.3).
Geriatric patients: No overall differences in the efficacy or safety of olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide were observed in this patient population, but greater sensitivity of some individuals cannot be ruled out (8.5).
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**Amlodipine**
Amlodipine has been evaluated for safety in more than 11,000 patients in U.S. and foreign clinical trials.
The following adverse reactions occurred in <1% but >0.1% of patients in controlled clinical trials under conditions of open trials or marketing experience where a causal relationship is uncertain; they are listed to alert physicians to a potential relationship:
**Cardiovascular:** arrhythmia (including ventricular tachycardia and atrial fibrillation), bradycardia, chest pain, hypotension, peripheral ischemia, syncope, tachycardia, postural dizziness, postural hypotension, vasculitis.
**Skin and Appendages:** angioedema, erythema multiforme, pruritus\*, rash\*, rash erythematous, rash maculopapular
**Special Senses:** abnormal vision, conjunctivitis, diplopia, eye pain, linitis
**Urinary System:** micturition frequency, micturition disorder, nocturia
**Autonomic Nervous System:** dry mouth, sweating increased
**Metabolic and Nutritional:** hyperglycemia, thirst
**Hematologic/leukopenia,** purpura, thrombocytopenia
\*\* = events that occurred in less than 1% in placebo-controlled trials, but the incidence of these side effects was between 1% and 2% in all multiple dose studies.

The following adverse reactions occurred in <0.1% of patients: cardiac failure, pulse irregularity, extrasystoles, skin discoloration, urticaria, skin dryness, alopecia, dermatitis, muscle weakness, twitching, ataxia, hypertonia, migraine, cold and clammy skin, apathy, agitation, anorexia, gastritis, increased appetite, loose stools, coughing, rhinitis, dysuria, polyuria, parosmia, taste perversion, abnormal visual accommodation, and xerophthalmia.

**Hydrochlorothiazide**
Other adverse reactions that have been reported with hydrochlorothiazide, without regard to causality, are listed below:
**Body as a Whole:** weakness
**Digestive:** pancreatitis, jaundice (intrahepatic cholestatic jaundice), sialadenitis, cramping, gastric irritation
**Hematologic:** aplastic anemia, agranulocytosis, leukopenia, thrombocytopenia
**Hypersensitivity:** purpura, photosensitivity, urticaria, necrotizing angitis (vasculitis and cutaneous vasculitis), fever, respiratory distress including pneumonitis and pulmonary edema, anaphylactic reactions
**Metabolic:** hyperglycemia, glycosuria, hyperuricemia
**Musculoskeletal System:** muscle spasm
**Nervous System/Psychiatric:** restlessness
**Renal and Urinary:** renal dysfunction, interstitial nephritis
**Skin and Appendages:** erythema multiforme including Stevens-Johnson syndrome, exfoliative dermatitis including toxic epidermal necrolysis
**Special Senses:** transient blurred vision, xanthopsia

**2.2 Post-Marketing Experience**
The following adverse reactions have been identified during post-approval use of the individual components of olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets. Because these reactions are reported voluntarily from a population of uncertain size, it is not always possible to reliably estimate their frequency or establish a causal relationship to drug exposure.

**Olmesartan medoxomil.** The following adverse reactions have been reported in post-marketing experience:
**Body as a Whole:** asthenia, angioedema, anaphylactic reactions, peripheral edema
**Gastrointestinal:** vomiting, diarrhea, sprue like enteropathy [see **Warnings and Precautions (6.10)**]
**Musculoskeletal:** rhabdomyolysis
**Urogenital System:** acute renal failure
**Skin and Appendages:** alopecia, pruritus, urticaria

Data from one controlled trial and an epidemiologic study have suggested that high-dose olmesartan may increase cardiovascular (CV) risk in diabetic patients, but the overall data are not conclusive. The randomized, placebo-controlled, double-blind ROADMAP trial (Randomized Olmesartan And Diabetics MicroAlbuminuria Prevention Trial, n=4447) examined the use of olmesartan, 40 mg daily, vs. placebo in patients with type 2 diabetes mellitus, normoalbuminuria, and at least one additional risk factor for CV disease. The trial met its primary endpoint, delayed onset of microalbuminuria, but olmesartan had no beneficial effect on decline in glomerular filtration rate (GFR). There was a finding of increased CV mortality (judiciously studied cardiac death, fatal myocardial infarction, fatal stroke, revascularization, or death) in the olmesartan group compared to the placebo group (15 olmesartan vs. 3 placebo, HR 4.8, 95% confidence interval [CI], 1.4, 17), but the risk of non-fatal myocardial infarction was lower with olmesartan (HR 0.64, 95% CI 0.35, 1.18).

The epidemiologic study included patients 65 years and older with overall exposure of >3000 patient-years. In the sub-group of diabetic patients receiving high-dose olmesartan (40 mg/d) for > 6 months, there appeared to be an increased risk of death (HR 2.0, 95% CI 1.1, 3.8) compared to similar patients taking other antihypertensives (as in lower-dose olmesartan use in non-diabetic patients appeared to be associated with a decreased risk of death (HR 0.46, 95% CI 0.24, 0.86) compared to similar patients taking other antihypertensiv receptor blockers. No differences were observed between the groups receiving lower doses of olmesartan compared to other antihypertensiv blockers or those receiving therapy for <6 months.

Overall, these data raise a concern of a possible increased CV risk associated with the use of high-dose olmesartan in diabetic patients. There are, however, concerns with the credibility of the finding of increased CV risk, notably the observation in the large epidemiologic study for a survival benefit in non-diabetics of a magnitude similar to the adverse finding in diabetics.

**Amlodipine.** The following post-marketing event has been reported infrequently where a causal relationship is uncertain: gynecomastia. In post-marketing experience, jaundice and hepatic enzyme elevations (mostly consistent with cholestatic or hepatitis), in some cases severe enough to require hospitalization, have been reported in association with use of amlodipine.

**7.1 Drug Interactions with Olmesartan Medoxomil, Amlodipine and Hydrochlorothiazide Tablets**
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*Non-Selective Anti-Inflammatory Agents including Selective Cyclooxygenase-2 Inhibitors (COX-2 Inhibitors)*
In patients who are elderly, volume-depleted (including those on diuretic therapy), or with compromised renal function, coadministration of NSAIDs, including selective COX-2 inhibitors, with angiotensin II receptor antagonists, including olmesartan medoxomil, may result in deterioration of renal function, including possible acute renal failure. These effects are usually reversible. Monitor renal function periodically in patients receiving olmesartan medoxomil and NSAID therapy.

- Avoid in patients with severely impaired renal function (creatinine clearance ≤30 mL/min) (2, 5.4).
- Withhold or discontinue olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide if progressive renal impairment becomes evident (5.4).
- Thiazides should be used with caution in patients with mildly to moderately impaired hepatic function or progressive liver disease. Avoid in patients with severely impaired hepatic function (5.5).
- Observe for signs of fluid or electrolyte imbalance (5.6).
- Thiazide diuretics may cause an exacerbation or activation of systemic lupus erythematosus (5.8).
- Thiazides have been associated with acute angle-closure glaucoma (5.9).
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**5.8 Systemic Lupus Erythematosus**
Thiazide diuretics have been reported to cause exacerbation or activation of systemic lupus erythematosus.

**5.9 Acute Myopia and Secondary Angle-Closure Glaucoma**
Hydrochlorothiazide, a sulfonamide, can cause an idiosyncratic reaction, resulting in acute transient myopia and acute angle-closure glaucoma. Symptoms include acute onset of decreased visual acuity or ocular pain and typically occur within hours to weeks of drug initiation. Untreated acute angle-closure glaucoma can lead to permanent vision loss. The primary treatment is to discontinue hydrochlorothiazide as rapidly as possible. Prompt medical or surgical treatments may need to be considered if the intraocular pressure remains uncontrolled. Risk factors for developing acute angle-closure glaucoma may include a history of sulfonamide or penicillin allergy.

**5.10 Sprue-like Enteropathy**
Severe, chronic diarrhea with substantial weight loss has been reported in patients taking olmesartan months to years after drug initiation. Intestinal biopsies of patients often demonstrated villous atrophy. If a patient develops these symptoms during treatment with olmesartan, exclude other etiologies. Consider discontinuation of olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets in cases where no other etiology is identified.

**5.11 Vasodilation**
Amlodipine, although vasodilation attributable to amlodipine is generally gradual in onset, acute hypotension has rarely been reported after oral administration. Patients with severe aortic stenosis may be at particular risk.

**5.12 Heart Failure**
**Olmesartan Medoxomil, Amlodipine and Hydrochlorothiazide.** Olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets has not been studied in patients with heart failure.

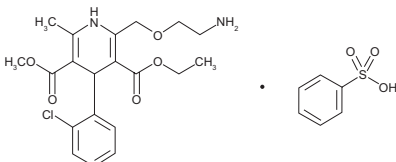
**Amlodipine.** Amlodipine (5 to 10 mg per day) has been studied in a placebo-controlled trial of 1153 patients with New York Heart Association (NYHA) Class III or IV heart failure on stable doses of ACE inhibitor, digoxin, and diuretics. Follow-up was at least 6 months, with a mean of about 14 months. There was no overall adverse effect on survival or cardiac morbidity (as defined by life-threatening arrhythmia, acute myocardial infarction, or hospitalization for worsened heart failure). Amlodipine has been compared to placebo in four 8 to 12 week studies of patients with NYHA Class III/IV heart failure, involving a total of 697 patients. In these studies, there was no evidence of worsening of heart failure based on measures of exercise tolerance, NYHA classification, symptoms, or left ventricular ejection fraction.

**5.13 Laboratory Tests**
**Olmesartan medoxomil.** In post-marketing experience, increased blood creatinine levels and hyperkalemia have been reported.
**Amlodipine.** In post-marketing experience, hepatic enzyme elevations have been reported [see **Adverse Reactions (6.2)**].
**Hydrochlorothiazide.** Increases in cholesterol and triglyceride levels may be associated with thiazide diuretic therapy.

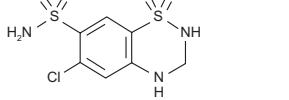
**6 ADVERSE REACTIONS**
**6.1 Clinical Trials Experience**
Because clinical studies are conducted under widely varying conditions, adverse reaction rates observed in the clinical studies of a drug cannot be directly compared to rates in the clinical studies of another drug and may not reflect the rates observed in practice.
**Olmesartan Medoxomil, Amlodipine and Hydrochlorothiazide**
In a controlled trial of olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets, patients were randomized to olmesartan medoxomil/amlodipine/hydrochlorothiazide tablets 40/10/25 mg, olmesartan medoxomil/amlodipine 40/10 mg, olmesartan medoxomil/hydrochlorothiazide 40/25 mg, or combination/ hydrochlorothiazide 10/25 mg. Subjects who received triple combination therapy were treated between two and four weeks with one of the three dual combination therapies. Safety data from this study were obtained in 574 patients with hypertension who received olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide for 8 weeks.
The frequency of adverse reactions was similar between men and women, patients &



The structural formula for amlodipine besylate is:



The structural formula for hydrochlorothiazide is:



Olesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets contains olmesartan medoxomil, a white to light yellowish-white powder or crystalline powder, amlodipine besylate, a white to off-white crystalline powder, and hydrochlorothiazide, a white or practically white, crystalline powder. The molecular weights of olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine besylate, and hydrochlorothiazide tablets are 558.6, 567.1, and 297.7, respectively. Olmesartan medoxomil is practically insoluble in water and sparingly soluble in methanol. Amlodipine besylate is slightly soluble in water and sparingly soluble in ethanol. Hydrochlorothiazide is slightly soluble in water but freely soluble in sodium hydroxide solution.

Each 20/5/12.5 mg tablet contains 40 mg of olmesartan medoxomil, 5 mg of amlodipine besylate and 12.5 mg of hydrochlorothiazide.

Each 40/5/12.5 mg tablet contains 40 mg of olmesartan medoxomil, 5 mg of amlodipine besylate and 12.5 mg of hydrochlorothiazide.

Each 40/5/25 mg tablet contains 40 mg of olmesartan medoxomil, 5 mg of amlodipine besylate and 25 mg of hydrochlorothiazide.

Each 40/10/12.5 mg tablet contains 40 mg of olmesartan medoxomil, 10 mg of amlodipine besylate and 12.5 mg of hydrochlorothiazide.

Each 40/10/25 mg tablet contains 40 mg of olmesartan medoxomil, 10 mg of amlodipine besylate and 25 mg of hydrochlorothiazide.

Each tablet of olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine besylate and hydrochlorothiazide also contains the following inactive ingredients: silicified microcrystalline cellulose, pregelatinized starch, croscarmellose sodium, arabic gum/magnesium stearate. The color coating for 20/5/12.5 mg, 40/5/25 mg tablets contains titanium dioxide, hypromellose, polyethylene glycol and polyorbate, the color coating for 40/10/25 mg and 40/5/12.5 mg tablets contains polyvinyl alcohol - part dehydrolyzed, titanium dioxide, polyethylene glycol, talc and iron oxide red and the color coating for 40/10/12.5 mg tablets polyvinyl alcohol - part dehydrolyzed, titanium dioxide, polyethylene glycol, talc, iron oxide yellow and FD&C #6.

## 12 CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

### 12.1 Mechanism of Action

The active ingredients of olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets target three separate mechanisms involved in blood pressure regulation. Specifically, amlodipine blocks the contractile effects of calcium on cardiac and vascular smooth muscle cells; olmesartan medoxomil blocks the vasoconstriction and sodium retaining effects of angiotensin II on cardiac, vascular smooth muscle, adrenal and renal cells; and hydrochlorothiazide directly promotes the excretion of sodium and chloride in the kidney leading to reductions in intravascular volume. For a more detailed description of the mechanisms of action for each individual component, see below.

**Olmesartan medoxomil.** Angiotensin II is formed from angiotensin I in a reaction catalyzed by ACE, kininase II. Angiotensin II is the principal pressor agent of the renin-angiotensin system, with effects that include vasoconstriction, stimulation of synthesis and release of aldosterone, cardiac stimulation, and renal reabsorption of sodium. Olmesartan blocks the vasoconstrictor effects of angiotensin II by selectively blocking the binding of angiotensin II to the AT1 receptor in vascular smooth muscle. Its action is, therefore, independent of the pathways for angiotensin II synthesis.

An AT2 receptor is found also in many tissues, but this receptor is not known to be associated with cardiovascular homeostasis. Olmesartan has more than a 12,500-fold greater affinity for the AT1 receptor than for the AT2 receptor.

Blockade of the renin-angiotensin system with ACE inhibitors, which inhibit the biosynthesis of angiotensin II from angiotensin I, is a mechanism of many drugs used to treat hypertension. Angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors also inhibit the degradation of bradykinin, a reaction also catalyzed by ACE. Because olmesartan does not inhibit ACE (kininase II), it does not affect the response to bradykinin. Whether this difference has clinical relevance is not yet known.

Blockade of the angiotensin II receptor inhibits the negative regulatory feedback of angiotensin II on renin secretion, but the resulting increased plasma renin activity and circulating angiotensin II levels do not overcome the effect of olmesartan on blood pressure.

**Amlodipine.** Amlodipine is a dihydropyridine calcium channel blocker that inhibits the transmembrane influx of calcium ions into vascular smooth muscle and cardiac muscle. Experimental data suggests that amlodipine binds to both dihydropyridine and non-dihydropyridine binding sites. The contractile processes of cardiac muscle and vascular smooth muscle are dependent upon the movement of extracellular calcium ions into these cells through specific ion channels. Amlodipine inhibits calcium ion influx across cell membranes selectively, with a greater effect on vascular smooth muscle cells than on cardiac muscle cells. Negative inotropic effects can be detected in *in vitro* but such effects have not been seen in intact animals at therapeutic doses. Serum calcium concentration is not affected by amlodipine. Within the physiologic pH range, amlodipine is an ionized compound (pKa=8.6), and its kinetic interaction with the calcium channel receptor is characterized by a gradual rate of association and dissociation with the receptor binding site, resulting in a gradual onset of effect.

Amlodipine is a peripheral arterial vasodilator that acts directly on vascular smooth muscle to cause a reduction in peripheral vascular resistance and reduction in blood pressure.

**Hydrochlorothiazide.** Hydrochlorothiazide is a thiazide diuretic. Thiazides affect the renal tubular mechanisms of electrolyte reabsorption, directly increasing excretion of sodium and chloride in approximately equivalent amounts. Indirectly, the diuretic action of hydrochlorothiazide reduces plasma volume, with consequent increases in plasma renin activity, increases in aldosterone secretion, increases in urinary potassium loss, and decreases in serum potassium. The renin-aldosterone link is mediated by angiotensin II, so coadministration of an angiotensin II receptor antagonist tends to reverse the potassium loss associated with these diuretics.

The mechanism of the antihypertensive effect of thiazides is not fully understood.

### 12.2 Pharmacodynamics

Olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets has been shown to be effective in lowering blood pressure. The three components olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide lower the blood pressure through complementary mechanisms, each working at a separate site and blocking different effects or pathways. The pharmacodynamics of each individual component is described below.

**Olmesartan medoxomil.** Olmesartan medoxomil doses of 2.5 to 40 mg inhibit the pressor effects of angiotensin I infusion. The duration of the inhibitory effect was related to dose, with doses of olmesartan medoxomil 2-40 mg giving >90% inhibition at 24 hours.

Plasma concentrations of angiotensin I and angiotensin II and plasma renin activity (PRA) increase after single and repeated administration of olmesartan medoxomil to healthy subjects and hypertensive patients. Repeated administration of up to 80 mg olmesartan medoxomil had minimal influence on aldosterone levels and no effect on serum potassium.

**Amlodipine.** Following administration of therapeutic doses to patients with hypertension, amlodipine produces vasodilation resulting in a reduction of supine and standing blood pressures. These decreases in blood pressure are not accompanied by a significant change in heart rate or plasma catecholamine levels with chronic dosing.

With chronic once daily oral administration, antihypertensive effectiveness is maintained for at least 24 hours. Plasma concentrations correlate with effect in both young and elderly patients. The magnitude of reduction in blood pressure with amlodipine is also correlated with the height of pretreatment elevation; thus, individuals with moderate hypertension (diastolic pressure 105 to 114 mmHg) had about a 50% greater response than patients with mild hypertension (diastolic pressure 90 to 104 mmHg). Normotensive patients experienced no clinically significant change in blood pressures (+1-2 mmHg).

In hypertensive patients with normal renal function, therapeutic doses of olmesartan resulted in a decrease in renal vascular resistance and an increase in glomerular filtration rate and effective renal plasma flow without change in filtration fraction or proteinuria.

As with other calcium channel blockers, hemodynamic measurements of cardiac function at rest and during exercise (or pacing) in patients with normal ventricular function treated with amlodipine have generally demonstrated a small increase in cardiac index without significant influence on dP/dt or on left ventricular end diastolic pressure or volume. In hemodynamic studies, amlodipine has not been associated with a negative inotropic effect when administered in the therapeutic dose range to intact animals and man, even when coadministered with beta-blockers to man. Similar findings, however, have been observed in normal or well-compensated patients with heart failure with agents possessing significant negative inotropic effects.

Amlodipine does not change sinoatrial nodal function or atrioventricular conduction in intact animals or man. In clinical studies in which amlodipine was administered in combination with beta-blockers to patients with either hypertension or angina, no adverse effects on electrocardiographic parameters were observed.

**Hydrochlorothiazide.** After oral administration of hydrochlorothiazide, diuresis begins within 2 hours, peaks in about 4 hours, and lasts about 6 to 12 hours.

### 12.3 Pharmacokinetics

**Olmesartan Medoxomil, Amlodipine and Hydrochlorothiazide Tablets.** After oral administration of olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets in normal healthy adults, peak plasma concentrations of olmesartan, amlodipine, and hydrochlorothiazide are reached in about 1.5 to 3 hours, 6 to 8 hours, and 1.5 to 2 hours, respectively. The rate and extent of absorption of olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine, and hydrochlorothiazide tablets are the same when administered as individual dosage forms. Food does not affect the bioavailability of olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets.

**Olmesartan medoxomil.** Olmesartan medoxomil is rapidly and completely bioactivated by ester hydrolysis to olmesartan during absorption from the gastrointestinal tract. The absolute bioavailability of olmesartan medoxomil is approximately 26%. After oral administration, the C<sub>max</sub> of olmesartan is reached after 1 to 2 hours. Food does not affect the bioavailability of olmesartan medoxomil.

**Amlodipine.** After oral administration of therapeutic doses of amlodipine, absorption produces peak plasma concentrations between 6 and 12 hours. Absolute bioavailability is estimated between 64% and 90%.

**Hydrochlorothiazide.** When plasma levels have been followed for at least 24 hours, the plasma half-life has been observed to vary between 5.6 and 14.8 hours.

**Distribution**
**Olmesartan medoxomil.** The volume of distribution of olmesartan is approximately 17 L. Olmesartan is highly bound to plasma proteins (99%) and does not penetrate red blood cells. The protein binding is constant at plasma olmesartan concentrations well above the range achieved with recommended doses.

In rats, olmesartan crossed the blood-brain barrier poorly, if at all. Olmesartan passed across the placental barrier in rats and was distributed to the fetus. Olmesartan was distributed to milk at low levels in rats.

**Amlodipine.** *Ex vivo* studies have shown that approximately 93% of the circulating drug is bound to plasma proteins in hypertensive patients. Steady-state plasma levels of amlodipine are reached after 7 to 8 days of consecutive daily dosing.

**Hydrochlorothiazide.** Hydrochlorothiazide crosses the placental but not the blood-brain barrier and is excreted in breast milk.

### Metabolism and Excretion

**Olmesartan medoxomil.** Following the rapid and complete conversion of olmesartan medoxomil to olmesartan during absorption, there is virtually no further metabolism of olmesartan. Total plasma clearance of olmesartan is 1.3 L/h, with a renal clearance of 0.6 L/h. Approximately 35% to 50% of the absorbed dose is recovered in urine while the remainder is eliminated in feces via the bile.

Olmesartan appears to be eliminated in a biphasic manner with a terminal elimination half-life of approximately 13 hours. Olmesartan shows linear pharmacokinetics following single oral doses of up to 320 mg and multiple oral doses of up to 80 mg. Steady-state levels of olmesartan are achieved within 3 to 5 days and no accumulation in plasma occurs with once-daily dosing.

**Amlodipine.** Amlodipine is extensively (about 90%) converted to inactive metabolites via hepatic metabolism. Elimination from the plasma is biphasic with a terminal elimination half-life of about 30 to 50 hours. Ten percent of the parent compound and 60% of the metabolites are excreted in the urine.

**Hydrochlorothiazide.** Hydrochlorothiazide is not metabolized but is eliminated rapidly by the kidney. At least 61% of the oral dose is eliminated unchanged within 24 hours.

**Geriatric**
**Olmesartan medoxomil.** The pharmacokinetics of olmesartan medoxomil were studied in the elderly (≥65 years). Overall, maximum plasma concentrations of olmesartan were similar in young adults and the elderly. Modest accumulation of olmesartan was observed in the elderly with repeated dosing; AUC<sub>0-∞</sub> was 33% higher in elderly patients, corresponding to an approximate 30% reduction in CL<sub>r</sub>.

**Amlodipine.** Elderly patients have decreased clearance of amlodipine with a resulting increase in AUC of approximately 40% to 60%, and a lower initial dose may be required.

### Gender

Population pharmacokinetic analysis indicated that gender had no effect on the clearance of olmesartan and amlodipine. Female patients had approximately 20% smaller clearances of hydrochlorothiazide than male patients.

**Olmesartan medoxomil.** Minor differences were observed in the pharmacokinetics of olmesartan medoxomil in women compared to men. Area under the curve and C<sub>max</sub> were 10% to 15% higher in women than in men.

### Renal Insufficiency

**Olmesartan medoxomil.** In patients with renal insufficiency, serum concentrations of olmesartan were elevated compared to subjects with normal renal function. After repeated dosing, the AUC was approximately tripled in patients with severe renal impairment (creatinine clearance <20 mL/min). The pharmacokinetics of olmesartan medoxomil in patients undergoing hemodialysis has not been studied.

**Amlodipine.** The pharmacokinetics of amlodipine are not significantly influenced by renal impairment.

### Hepatic Insufficiency

**Olmesartan medoxomil.** Increases in AUC<sub>0-∞</sub> and C<sub>max</sub> were observed in patients with moderate hepatic impairment compared to those in matched controls, with an increase in AUC of about 60%.

**Amlodipine.** Patients with hepatic insufficiency have decreased clearance of amlodipine with a resulting increase in AUC of approximately 40% to 60%.

### Heart Failure

**Amlodipine.** Patients with heart failure have decreased clearance of amlodipine with a resulting increase in AUC of approximately 40% to 60%.

### Drug Interaction

**Bile acid sequestering agent colesevam.**

Concomitant administration of 40 mg olmesartan medoxomil and 3750 mg colesevam hydrochloride in healthy subjects resulted in 28% reduction in C<sub>max</sub> and 39% reduction in AUC of olmesartan. Lesser effects, 4% and 15% reduction in C<sub>max</sub> and AUC respectively, were observed when olmesartan, medoxomil was administered 4 hours prior to colesevam hydrochloride [see **Drug Interactions (7.2)**].

### 13 NONCLINICAL TOXICOLOGY

The rationale for no or limited new toxicity from the triple combination of olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine, and hydrochlorothiazide tablets has already been established on the basis of the safety profile of the individual compounds or dual combinations. To clarify the toxicologic profile for olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets, a 3-month repeated dose toxicity study was conducted in rats, and the results demonstrated that the combined administration of olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine, and hydrochlorothiazide tablets neither augment any existing toxicities of the individual agents nor induce any new toxicities and there were no toxicologically synergistic effects observed in the study.

### 13.1 Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility

No carcinogenicity, mutagenicity or fertility studies have been conducted with the combination of olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets. However, these studies have been conducted for olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets alone.

**Olmesartan medoxomil.** Olmesartan was not carcinogenic when administered by dietary administration to rats for up to 2 years. The highest dose tested (2000 mg/kg/day) was, on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis, about 49 times the MRHD of 40 mg/day. Two carcinogenicity studies conducted in mice, a 6-month gavage study in the B63 knockout mouse and a 6-month dietary administration study in the Hras2 transgenic mouse, at doses of up to 1000 mg/kg/day (on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis, about 120 times the MRHD of 40 mg/day), revealed no evidence of a carcinogenic effect of olmesartan.

Both olmesartan medoxomil and olmesartan tested negative in the *in vitro* Syrian hamster embryo cell transformation assay and showed no evidence of genetic toxicity in the Ames (bacterial mutagenicity) test. However, both were shown to induce chromosomal aberrations in cultured cells *in vitro* (Chinese hamster lung) and tested positive for thymidine kinase mutations in the *in vitro* mouse lymphoma assay. Olmesartan medoxomil tested negative *in vivo* for mutations in the *Meta*Mouse intestine and kidney and for clastogenicity in mouse bone marrow (micronucleus test) at oral doses of up to 2000 mg/kg (olmesartan not tested).

Fertility of rats was unaffected by administration of olmesartan at dose levels as high as 1000 mg/kg/day (240 times the MRHD of 40 mg/day on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis) in a study in which dosing was begun 2 (female) or 9 (male) weeks prior to mating. (Calculations based on a 60 kg patient.)

**Amlodipine.** Rats and mice treated with amlodipine maleate in the diet for up to 2 years, at concentrations calculated to provide daily dosage levels of amlodipine 0.5, 1.25, and 2.5 mg/kg/day showed no evidence of a carcinogenic effect of the drug. For the mouse, the highest dose was, on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis, similar to the MRHD of amlodipine 10 mg/day. For the rat, the highest dose was, on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis, about two times the MRHD (calculations based on a 60 kg patient).

Mutagenicity studies conducted with amlodipine maleate revealed no drug related effects at either the gene or chromosome level.

There was no effect on the fertility of rats treated orally with amlodipine maleate (males for 64 days and females for 14 days prior to mating) at doses of amlodipine up to 10 mg/kg/day (about 10 times the MRHD of 10 mg/day on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis).

**Hydrochlorothiazide.** Two-year feeding studies in mice and rats conducted under the auspices of the National Toxicology Program (NTP) uncovered no evidence of a carcinogenic potential of hydrochlorothiazide in female mice (at doses of up to approximately 600 mg/kg/day) or in male and female rats (at doses of up to approximately 100 mg/kg/day). These doses in mice and rats are about 117 and 39 times, respectively, the MRHD of 25 mg/day on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis. (Calculations based on a 60 kg patient.) The NTP, however, found equivocal evidence for hepatocarcinogenicity in male mice.

Hydrochlorothiazide was not genotoxic in the Ames mutagenicity assay of *Salmonella typhimurium* strains TA 98, TA 100, TA 1535, TA 1537, and TA 1538, or in the Chinese Hamster Ovary (CHO) test for chromosomal aberrations. It was also not genotoxic *in vivo* in assays using mouse germinal cell chromosomes, Chinese Hamster bone marrow chromosomes, or in *Drosophila* sex-linked recessive lethal trait gene. Positive test results were obtained in the *in vitro* CHO Sister Chromatid Exchange (clastogenicity) assay, the Mouse Lymphoma Cell (mutagenicity) assay and the *Aspergillus nidulans* nondisjunction assay.

Hydrochlorothiazide had no adverse effects on the fertility of mice and rats of either sex in studies wherein these species were exposed, via their diet, to doses of up to 100 and 4 mg/kg, respectively, prior to mating and throughout gestation. These doses in mice and rats are about 19 and 1.5 times, respectively, the MRHD of 25 mg/day on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis. (Calculations based on a 60 kg patient.)

### 13.2 Developmental Toxicity

No reproductive studies have been conducted with the combination of olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets. However, these studies have been conducted for olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets alone, and olmesartan medoxomil and hydrochlorothiazide together.

**Olmesartan medoxomil.** No teratogenic effects were observed when olmesartan medoxomil was administered to pregnant rats at oral doses up to 1000 mg/kg/day (240 times the maximum recommended human dose [MRHD] on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis) or pregnant rabbits at oral doses up to 1 mg/kg/day (half the MRHD on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis; higher doses could not be evaluated for effects on fetal development as they were lethal to the does). In rats, significant decreases in pup birth weight and weight gain were observed at doses ≥1.6 mg/kg/day, and delays in developmental milestones (delayed separation of ear auricular, eruption of lower incisors, appearance of abdominal hair, descent of testes, and separation of eyelids) and dose-dependent increases in the incidence of dilation of the renal pelvis were observed at doses ≥8 mg/kg/day. The no observed effect dose for developmental toxicity in rats is 0.3 mg/kg/day, about one-tenth the MRHD of 40 mg/day.

**Olmesartan medoxomil and Hydrochlorothiazide.** No teratogenic effects were observed when 1.6:1 combinations of olmesartan medoxomil and hydrochlorothiazide were administered to pregnant mice at oral doses up to 1625 mg/kg/day (122 times the MRHD on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis) or pregnant rats up to 1625 mg/kg/day (243 times the MRHD on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis) or pregnant rabbits at oral doses up to 1 mg/kg/day (0.3 times the MRHD on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis). In rats, however, fetal body weights at 1625 mg/kg/day (a toxic, sometimes lethal dose in the dams) were significantly lower than control. The no observed effect dose for developmental toxicity in rats is 162.5 mg/kg/day, about 24 times, on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis, the MRHD of 40 mg olmesartan medoxomil/25 mg hydrochlorothiazide/day. (Calculations based on a 60 kg patient.)

**Amlodipine.** No evidence of teratogenicity or other embryofetal toxicity was found when pregnant rats and rabbits were treated orally with amlodipine maleate at doses of up to 10 mg amlodipine/kg/day (respectively about 10 and 20 times the maximum recommended human dose of 10 mg amlodipine on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis) during their respective periods of major organogenesis (calculations based on a patient weight of 60 kg). However, litter size was significantly decreased (by about 50%) and the number of intrauterine deaths was significantly increased (about 5-60) in rats receiving amlodipine maleate at a dose equivalent to 10 mg amlodipine/kg/day for 14 days before mating and throughout mating and gestation. Amlodipine maleate has been shown to prolong both the gestational period and the duration of labor in rats at this dose. There is no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Amlodipine should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus.

**Hydrochlorothiazide.** Thiazides cross the placental barrier and appear in cord blood. There is a risk of fetal or neonatal jaundice, thrombocytopenia and possibly other adverse reactions that have occurred in adults.

### 14 CLINICAL STUDIES

#### 14.1 Olmesartan Medoxomil, Amlodipine and Hydrochlorothiazide Tablets

The antihypertensive efficacy of olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets was studied in a double-blind, active-controlled study in hypertensive patients. A total of 2492 patients with hypertension (mean baseline blood pressure 169/101 mmHg) received olmesartan medoxomil/amlodipine/hydrochlorothiazide 40/10/25 mg (627 hypertensive patients), olmesartan medoxomil/amlodipine 40/10 mg (628 patients), olmesartan medoxomil/hydrochlorothiazide 40/25 mg (637 patients), or amlodipine/hydrochlorothiazide 10/25 mg (600 patients). Each subject was randomized to one of the three dual therapy combinations for two to four weeks. Patients were then randomized to continue on the dual therapy they were receiving or to receive triple therapy. A total of 53% of patients were male, 19% were 65 years or older, 67% were white, 30% were black, and 15% were diabetic.

After 8 weeks of treatment, the triple combination therapy produced greater reductions in both systolic and diastolic blood pressures (p< 0.0001) compared to each of the 3 dual combination therapies.

The seated blood pressure reductions attributable to the addition of a single high-dose drug to each high-dose dual drug combination are shown in **Table 2**.

<b>Table 2 Additional blood pressure reductions on high-dose Olmesartan Medoxomil, Amlodipine and Hydrochlorothiazide Tablets compared to high doses of dual combination drugs</b>			
Start on	Adding	BP reduction*	
Olmesartan medoxomil 40 / amlodipine 10 mg	HCTZ 25 mg	8.4/4.5 mmHg	
Olmesartan medoxomil 40 / HCTZ 25 mg	Amlodipine 10 mg	7.6/5.4 mmHg	
Amlodipine 10 / HCTZ 25 mg	Olmesartan medoxomil 40 mg	8.1/5.4 mmHg	

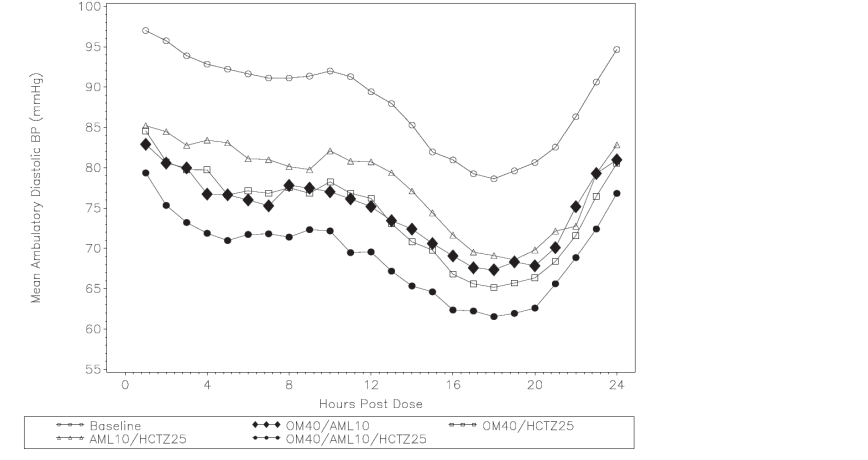
\*all highly statistically significant.

There were no apparent differences in terms of seated diastolic blood pressure (SeDBP) or seated systolic blood pressure (SeSBP) reductions in black and non-black patients treated with olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets. (See *Use in Specific Populations (8.8)*.)

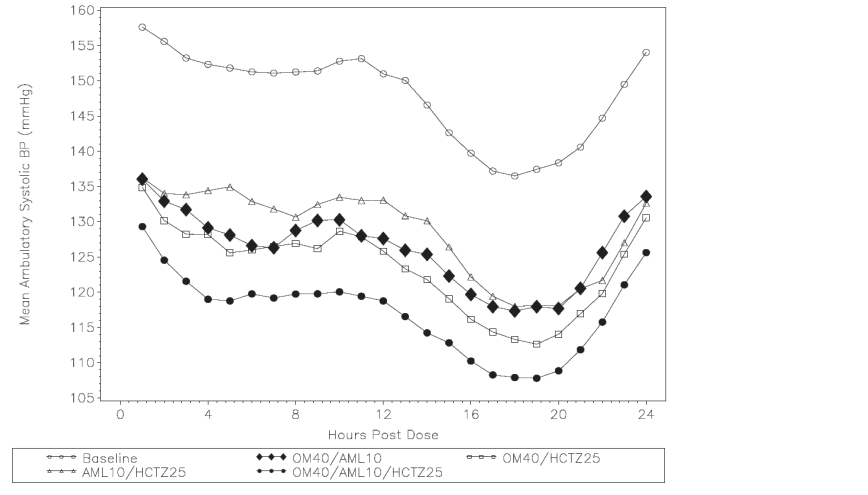
There were no apparent differences in terms of SeDBP or SeSBP reductions in diabetic and non-diabetic patients treated with olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets.

A total of 440 patients participated in the ambulatory blood pressure monitoring portion of the study. Over the 24-hour period, there was a greater reduction in diastolic and systolic ambulatory blood pressure for olmesartan medoxomil/amlodipine/hydrochlorothiazide tablets 40/10/25 mg compared to each of the dual combination therapies (see **Figure 1** and **Figure 2**).

**Figure 1: Mean Ambulatory Diastolic Blood Pressure at Endpoint by Treatment and Hour**



**Figure 2: Mean Ambulatory Systolic Blood Pressure at Endpoint by Treatment and Hour**



The blood pressure lowering effects of lower dose strengths of olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets (olmesartan medoxomil/amlodipine/hydrochlorothiazide tablets 20/5/12.5 mg, 40/5/12.5 mg, 40/10/12.5 mg, and 40/5/25 mg) have not been studied.

All of the dose strengths of the triple combination are expected to provide superior blood pressure lowering effects compared to their respective mono and dual combination components. The order of the blood pressure lowering effects among the different dose strengths of olmesartan medoxomil /amlodipine /hydrochlorothiazide is expected to be 20/5/12.5 mg < 40/5/12.5 mg < 40/10/12.5 mg < 40/5/25 mg < 40/10/25 mg.

There are no trials of olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets demonstrating reductions in cardiovascular risk in patients with hypertension, but at least one pharmacologically similar drug has demonstrated such benefits.

### 16 HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING

Olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets contain olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine besylate at a dose equivalent to 5 or 10 mg amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide in the strengths described below.

Olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets are differentiated by tablet color/size and are debossed with an individual product tablet code on one side. Olmesartan medoxomil, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide tablets are supplied for oral administration in the following strength and package configurations:

Tablet Strength (OM/AML equivalent HCTZ)	Package Configuration	NDC#	Tablet Color
20/5/12.5 mg	Bottle of 30 Bottle of 90	49884-786-11 49884-786-09	White, film coated, round shaped biconvex tablet, debossed with "p" on one side and "786" on the other
40/5/12.5 mg	Bottle of 30 Bottle of 90	49884-787-11 49884-787-09	Pink, film coated, round shaped biconvex tablet, debossed with "p" on one side and "787" on the other
40/5/25 mg	Bottle of 30 Bottle of 90	49884-788-11 49884-788-09	White, film coated, oval shaped biconvex tablet, debossed with "p" on one side and "788" on the other
40/10/12.5 mg	Bottle of 30 Bottle of 90	49884-789-11 	