#### Atracurium besilate Medsurge

Active ingredient(s): atracurium besilate

#### **Consumer Medicine Information**

This leaflet provides important information about using Atracurium besilate Medsurge. You should also speak to your doctor or pharmacist if you would like further information or if you have any concerns or questions about using Atracurium besilate Medsurge.

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# 1. Why am I using Atracurium besilate Medsurge?

Atracurium besilate Medsurge contains the active ingredient atracurium besilate. Atracurium besilate belongs to a group of medicines called neuromuscular blockers. Atracurium besilate works by blocking the effects of one of the body's chemical

messengers called acetylcholine. Acetylcholine is involved in muscle contraction.

Atracurium besilate is a highly selective, competitive or non-depolarising neuromuscular blocking agent which is used as an adjunct to general anaesthesia to enable tracheal intubation to be performed and to relax skeletal muscles during surgery or controlled ventilation, and to facilitate mechanical ventilation in Intensive Care Unit (ICU) patients.

## 2. What should I know before I use Atracurium besilate Medsurge?

Do not use Atracurium besilate Medsurge if:

 you are allergic to atracurium besilate, or any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.
Symptoms of an allergic reaction may be mild or severe. They usually include some or all of the following: wheezing, swelling of the lips/mouth, difficulty in breathing, hayfever, lumpy rash ("hives") or fainting.

### Check with your doctor if you:

 have had any adverse reactions during an operation.