

## FLUTICASONESALMETEROL CIPHALER 500/50

Active ingredients: Fluticasone propionate/Salmeterol xinafoate

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### Consumer Medicine Information

This leaflet provides important information about using FLUTICASONESALMETEROL CIPHALER 500/50. **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 FLUTICASONESALMETEROL CIPHALER 500/50.**

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#### 1. Why am I using FLUTICASONESALMETEROL CIPHALER 500/50?

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**FLUTICASONESALMETEROL CIPHALER 500/50 contains the active ingredients fluticasone propionate and salmeterol (as xinafoate).**

Fluticasone propionate belongs to a group of medicines known as corticosteroids, frequently called 'steroids'. They are not 'anabolic steroids' which are the steroids sometimes misused by athletes.

Corticosteroids have an anti-inflammatory action. They reduce the swelling and irritation in the walls of the small air passages in the lungs and so help you to breathe more easily. Corticosteroids are used to treat asthma and COPD.

Salmeterol (as xinafoate) is a bronchodilator. A bronchodilator keeps the breathing tubes in your lungs open and relieves the symptoms of asthma and other chest conditions. The effects of salmeterol (as xinafoate) last for up to twelve hours.

When taken together regularly fluticasone propionate and salmeterol help to control your breathing difficulties.

**FLUTICASONESALMETEROL CIPHALER 500/50 is used to help with asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) in people who need regular treatment.**

Asthma is a condition affecting the lungs. Symptoms of asthma include shortness of breath, wheezing, chest