PIRFENIDONE SANDOZ®

Active ingredient(s): pirfenidone

Consumer Medicine Information

This leaflet provides important information about using PIRFENIDONE SANDOZ. 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 PIRFENIDONE SANDOZ.

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1. Why am I using PIRFENIDONE SANDOZ?

PIRFENIDONE SANDOZ contains the active ingredient pirfenidone. PIRFENIDONE SANDOZ is used to treat Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (IPF). PIRFENIDONE SANDOZ helps to reduce the scarring and swelling in the lungs, and

helps you breathe better. Ask your doctor if you have any questions about why this medicine has been prescribed for you. Your doctor may have prescribed it for another reason.

2. What should I know before I use PIRFENIDONE SANDOZ?

Warnings

Do not use PIRFENIDONE SANDOZ if:

 you are allergic to pirfenidone, or any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet. Always check the ingredients to make sure you can use this medicine. Some of the symptoms of an allergic reaction include:

- shortness of breath

- wheezing or difficulty breathing

- swelling of the face, lips, tongue or other parts of the body

- rash, itching or hives on the skin

- you are taking a medicine called fluvoxamine (used to treat depression and obsessive compulsive disorder (OCD)).
- you have or have had any of the following:

- severe liver problems