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#### Systematic (IUPAC) name

(5α, 17β)-N-{2,5 bis(trifluoromethyl) phenyl}-3-oxo-4-αzααndrost-1-ene-17-corboxαmide

#### **Identifiers**

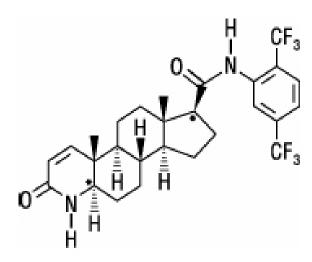
CAS number 164656-23-9 ATC code G04CB02 PubChem 152945 DrugBonk APRD00385

#### Chemical data

Formula C27H30F6N2O2 Mol. mass 528.53 g/mol

#### Pharmacokinetic data

Bioavailability 60% Protein binding 99% Metabolism Hepatic (CYP3A4-mediated) Half life 5 weeks Excretion Fecal



#### USES

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#### **HOW TO USE**

Take this medication by mouth once daily, with or without food. Swallow the medication whole.

Use this medication regularly in order to get the most benefit from it. Remember to use it at the same time each day. It may take 3 to 6 months before you notice an improvement of your symptoms.

Read the Patient Information Leaflet available from your pharmacist.

#### SIDE EFFECTS

Sexual problems (e.g., impotence, decreased interest in sex, decrease in the amount of ejaculate/sperm) may infrequently occur, but then go away as your body adjusts to the drug. This medication may also cause breast enlargement and/or tenderness. If any of these effects persist or worsen, contact your doctor or pharmacist promptly.

Remember that your doctor has prescribed this medication because he or she has judged that the benefit to you is greater than the risk of side effects. Many people using this medication do not have serious side effects.

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#### **PRECAUTIONS**

Before taking dutasteride, tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are allergic to it; or to finasteride; or if you have any other allergies.

Before using this medication, tell your doctor or pharmacist your medical history, especially of: liver disease, urinary tract disease, prostate cancer.

Men taking this medication should not donate blood until at least 6 months after they have stopped taking it to prevent exposure through a blood transfusion to a pregnant female.

Since this drug can be absorbed through the skin, women who are pregnant or planning to become pregnant should not handle this medication. Any contact with this drug by a pregnant woman could result in abnormal external sex organs of a developing male unborn baby.

This medication should not be used in women or children.

#### MISSED DOSE

If you miss  $\alpha$  dose, use it  $\alpha$ s soon  $\alpha$ s you remember. If it is near the time of the next dose, skip the missed dose and resume your usual dosing schedule. Do not double the dose to catch up.

#### **STORAGE**

Store at room temperature at 77 degrees F (25 degrees C) away from light and moisture. Brief storage between 59-86 degrees F (15-30 degrees C) is permitted. Do not store in the bathroom. Keep all medicines away from children and pets

#### **DOSAGE**

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  - Dutasteride comes as a capsule to take by mouth. It is usually taken once a day with or without food. To help you remember to take dutasteride, take it around the same time every day. Follow the directions on your prescription label carefully, and ask your doctor or pharmacist to explain any part you do not understand. Take dutasteride exactly as directed. Do not take more or less of it or take it more often than prescribed by your doctor..

## DRUG DESCRIPTION Dutasteride

Dutasteride is a synthetic 4-azasteroid compound that is a selective inhibitor of both the type 1 and type 2 isoforms of steroid  $5\alpha$ -reductose, an intracellular enzyme that converts testosterone to DHT.

Dutosteride is chemically designated as  $(5\alpha, 17\beta-N-\{2,5 \text{ bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl}\}-3-oxo-4-ozaandrost-1-ene-17-corboxamide. The empirical formula of dutosteride is C27H30F6N2O2, representing a molecular weight of 528.5$ 







Dutosteride is a white to pale yellow powder with a melting point of  $242^{\circ}$  to  $250^{\circ}$  C. It is soluble in ethanol (44 mg/mL), methanol (64 mg/mL), and polyethylene glycol 400 (3 mg/mL), but it is insoluble in water.

Each Dutasteride Soft Gelatin Capsule, administered orally, contains 0.5 mg of dutasteride dissolved in a mixture of mono-di-glycerides of caprylic/capric acid and butylated hydroxytoluene. The inactive excipients in the capsule shell are gelatin (from certified BSE-free bovine sources), glycerin, and ferric oxide (yellow). The soft gelatin capsules are printed with edible red ink.

Dutasteride is used to treat an enlarged prostate (benign prostatic hyperplasia, or BPH). Dutasteride is in a class of medications called 5-alpha reductase inhibitors. It works by blocking the production of a natural substance that enlarges the prostate. This shrinks the prostate, relieves symptoms of BPH, such as frequent and difficult urination, and decreases the chance that surgery will be needed to treat this condition.



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