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Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution delivered from non-compressor based nebulizer systems have not been established.

**3. DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS**  
Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is supplied as a sterile solution for nebulization in low-density polyethylene unit-dose vials. Each 2 mL vial contains 15 mcg of arformoterol equivalent to 2 mcg of arformoterol tartrate.

**4. CONTRAINDICATIONS**  
Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is contraindicated in patients with a history of hypersensitivity to arformoterol, racemic formoterol or to any other components of this product.

Use of a LABA, including Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution, without an inhaled corticosteroid is contraindicated in patients with asthma [see Warnings and Precautions (5)]. Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is not indicated for the treatment of asthma.

**5. WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS**

**5.1. Serious Asthma-Related Events - Hospitalizations, Intubations, Deaths**  
The safety and efficacy of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution in patients with asthma have not been established. Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is not indicated for the treatment of asthma [see Contraindications (4)].

• Use of long-acting beta<sub>2</sub>-adrenergic agonists (LABA) as monotherapy (without inhaled corticosteroids [ICS]) for asthma is associated with an increased risk of asthma-related death. Available data from controlled clinical trials also suggest that use of LABA as monotherapy increases the risk of asthma-related hospitalization in pediatric and adolescent patients. These findings are considered a class effect of LABA monotherapy. When LABA are used in fixed-dose combination with ICS, data from large clinical trials do not show a significant increase in the risk of serious asthma-related events (hospitalizations, intubations, and death) compared with ICS alone.

• A 28-week, placebo-controlled US study comparing the safety of another LABA (salmeterol) with placebo, each added to usual asthma therapy, showed an increase in asthma-related deaths in patients receiving salmeterol (13/13,176 in patients treated with salmeterol vs. 2/13,179 in patients treated with placebo; RR 4.37, 95% CI 1.25, 15.34). The increased risk of asthma-related death is considered a class effect of the LABA, including Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution.

• No study adequate to determine whether the rate of asthma-related death is increased in patients treated with Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution has been conducted. Clinical studies with racemic formoterol suggested a higher incidence of serious asthma exacerbations in patients who received racemic formoterol than in those who received placebo. The sizes of these studies were not adequate to precisely quantify differences in serious asthma exacerbation rates between treatment groups.

• Available data do not suggest an increased risk of death with use of LABA in patients with COPD.

**5.2. Deterioration of Disease and Acute Episodes**  
Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution should not be initiated in patients with deteriorating COPD, which may be a life-threatening condition. The use of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution in this setting is inappropriate.

Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is not indicated for the treatment of acute episodes of bronchospasm, i.e., as rescue therapy and extra doses should not be used for that purpose. Acute symptoms should be treated with an inhaled short-acting beta<sub>2</sub>-agonist.

When beginning Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution, patients who have been taking inhaled short-acting beta<sub>2</sub>-agonists on a regular basis (e.g., four times a day) should be instructed to discontinue the regular use of these drugs and use them only for symptomatic relief of acute respiratory symptoms. When prescribing Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution, the healthcare provider should also prescribe an inhaled, short-acting beta<sub>2</sub>-agonist and instruct the patient how it should be used, increasing the use of the short-acting beta<sub>2</sub>-agonist as a signal of deteriorating disease for which prompt medical attention is indicated. COPD may deteriorate acutely over a period of hours or chronically over several days or longer. If Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution no longer controls the symptoms of bronchospasm, or if the patient's inhaled, short-acting beta<sub>2</sub>-agonist becomes less effective or the patient needs more inhalation of short-acting beta<sub>2</sub>-agonist than usual, these may be markers of deterioration of disease. In this setting, a reevaluation of the patient and the COPD treatment regimen should be undertaken at once. Increasing the daily dosage of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution beyond the recommended 15 mcg twice daily dose is not appropriate in this situation.

**5.3. Excessive Use of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution and Use with Other Long-Acting Beta<sub>2</sub>-Agonists**  
Fatalities have been reported in association with excessive use of inhaled sympathomimetic drugs. As with other inhaled beta<sub>2</sub>-adrenergic drugs, Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution should not be used more often, at higher doses than recommended, or in conjunction with other medications containing long-acting beta<sub>2</sub>-agonists.

As with other inhaled beta<sub>2</sub>-agonists, Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution can produce paradoxical bronchospasm that may be life-threatening. If paradoxical bronchospasm occurs, Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution should be discontinued immediately and alternative therapy instituted.

**5.4. Paradoxical Bronchospasm**  
Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution can produce paradoxical bronchospasm that may be life-threatening. If paradoxical bronchospasm occurs, Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution should be discontinued immediately and alternative therapy instituted.

**5.5. Cardiovascular Effects**  
Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution, like other beta<sub>2</sub>-agonists, can produce a clinically significant cardiovascular effect in some patients as measured by increases in pulse rate, systolic and/or diastolic blood pressure, and/or symptoms. If such effects occur, the drug may need to be discontinued. In addition, beta<sub>2</sub>-agonists have been reported to produce ECG changes, such as flattening of the T-wave, prolongation of the QTc interval, and ST segment depression. The clinical significance of these findings is unknown. Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution, as with other sympathomimetic amines, should be used with caution in patients with cardiovascular disorders, especially coronary insufficiency, cardiac arrhythmias, and hypertension.

**5.6. Coexisting Conditions**  
Other adrenergic drugs may potentiate effect. Use with caution. (5.3, 5.7, 7.1)

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• Xanthine derivatives, steroids, diuretics, or non-potassium sparing diuretics may potentiate hypokalemia or ECG changes. Use with caution. (5.7, 7.2, 7.3)

• MAO inhibitors, tricyclic antidepressants and drugs that prolong the QTc interval may potentiate effect on the cardiovascular system. Use with extreme caution. (7.4)

• Beta-blockers may decrease effectiveness. May block bronchodilatory effects of beta<sub>2</sub>-agonists. Use with caution and only when medically necessary. (7.5)

**5.7. Hypokalemia and Hypertension**  
Beta<sub>2</sub>-agonist medications may produce significant hypokalemia in some patients, possibly through intracellular shunting, which has the potential to produce adverse cardiovascular effects [see Clinical Pharmacology (12.2)]. The decrease in serum potassium is usually transient, not requiring supplementation, and beta<sub>2</sub>-agonist medications may produce transient hypokalemia in some patients.

**5.8. Immediate Hypersensitivity Reactions**  
Immediate hypersensitivity reactions may occur after administration of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution as demonstrated by cases of anaphylactic reaction, urticaria, angioedema, rash and bronchospasm.

**6. ADVERSE REACTIONS**  
Long-acting beta<sub>2</sub>-adrenergic agonists, such as Arformoterol Tartrate, as monotherapy (without inhaled corticosteroids) increase the risk of asthma-related death. Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is not indicated for the treatment of asthma [see Warnings and Precautions (5.1)].

**6.1. Beta<sub>2</sub>-Agonist Adverse Reaction Profile**  
Adverse reactions to Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution are expected to be similar in nature to other beta<sub>2</sub>-adrenergic receptor agonists including: angina, hypertension or hypotension, tachycardia, arrhythmias, nervousness, headache, tremor, dry mouth, palpitation, muscle cramp, nausea, dizziness, fatigue, malaise, hypokalemia, hyperkalemia, metabolic acidosis and insomnia.

**6.2. Clinical Trials Experience**  
Because clinical trials are conducted under widely varying conditions, adverse reaction rates observed in clinical trials of a drug cannot be directly compared to rates in clinical trials of another drug and may not reflect the rates observed in clinical practice.

**Adults with COPD in Short-Term Trials (12 weeks)**  
The safety data described below for adults 33 years of age are based on 2 clinical trials of 12 weeks. In the 2 trials of 12 weeks duration, 1456 patients (860 males and 596 females, ages 34 to 89 years old) with moderate to severe COPD received human daily inhalation Solution 15 mcg twice daily, 25 mcg twice daily, 50 mcg once daily, salmeterol 42 mcg twice daily, or placebo. The racial/ethnic distribution in these two trials included 1383 Caucasians, 49 Blacks, 10 Hispanics, and 10 Hispanics, and 4 patients classified as Other.

Among the 1,456 COPD patients in two 12-week, placebo-controlled trials, 288 were treated with Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution 15 mcg twice daily and 293 were treated with placebo. Doses of 25 mcg twice daily and 50 mcg once daily were also evaluated.

Table 1 shows adverse reaction rates among patients from these two trials where the frequency was greater than or equal to 2% in the Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution 15 mcg twice daily group and where the rate in the Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution 15 mcg twice daily group exceeded the rate in the placebo group. The total

number and percent of patients who reported adverse events were 202 (70%) in the 15 mcg twice daily and 219 (75%) in the placebo groups. Ten adverse events demonstrated a dose relationship: asthenia, fever, bronchitis, COPD, headache, vomiting, hyperkalemia, leukocytosis, nervousness, and tremor.

**Table 1: Number of Patients Experiencing Adverse Events from Two 12-week, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled Clinical Trials**

	Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution 15 mcg twice daily		Placebo	
	n	(%)	n	(%)
Total Patients	288	(100)	293	(100)
Pain	23	(8)	16	(5)
Chest Pain	19	(7)	19	(6)
Back Pain	16	(6)	6	(2)
Diarrhea	16	(6)	13	(4)
Sinusitis	13	(5)	11	(4)
Leg Cramps	12	(4)	6	(2)
Dyspnea	11	(4)	7	(2)
Rash	11	(4)	5	(2)
Flu Syndrome	10	(3)	4	(1)
Peripheral Edema	8	(3)	7	(2)
Lung Disorder*	7	(2)	2	(1)

\* Reported terms coded to "Lung Disorder" were predominantly pulmonary or chest congestion.

Adverse events occurring in patients treated with Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution 15 mcg twice daily with a frequency of <2%, but greater than placebo, were as follows:

**Body as a Whole:** abscess, allergic reaction, digitals intoxication, fever, hernia, injection site pain, neck rigidity, neuripalm, pelvic pain, retroperitoneal hemorrhage

**Cardiovascular:** arteriosclerosis, atrial flutter, AV block, congestive heart failure, heart block, myocardial infarct, QT interval prolonged, supraventricular tachycardia, inverted T-wave

**Digestive:** constipation, gastritis, melena, oral moniliasis, periodontal abscess, rectal hemorrhage

**Metabolic and Nutritional Disorders:** dehydration, edema, glucose tolerance decreased, gout, hyperglycemia, hypervolemia, hypoglycemia, hypokalemia

**Musculoskeletal:** arthralgia, arthritis, bone disorder, rheumatoid arthritis, tendinous contracture

**Nervous:** agitation, cerebral infarct, circumoral paresthesia, hypokinesia, paralysis, somnolence, tremor\*

**Respiratory:** carcinoma of the lung, respiratory disorder, voice alteration

**Skin and Appendages:** dry skin, herpes simplex, herpes zoster, skin discoloration, skin hypertrophy

**Special Senses:** abnormal vision, glaucoma

**Urogenital:** breast neoplasm, calcium crystalluria, cystitis, glycosuria, hematuria, kidney calculus, nocturia, PSA increase, pyuria, urinary tract disorder, urine abnormality.

In these trials, the overall frequency of all cardiovascular adverse events was 6.9% in Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution 15 mcg twice daily and 13.3% in the placebo group. There were no frequently occurring specific cardiovascular adverse events for Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution (frequency ≥1% and greater than placebo). The rate of COPD exacerbations was also comparable between the Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution 15 mcg twice daily and placebo groups, 12.2% and 15.1%, respectively.

**Adults with COPD in Long-Term (52-week) Safety Trial**  
Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution was evaluated in one 52-week double-blind, randomized, placebo-controlled, safety trial conducted in patients with moderate to severe COPD. The primary endpoint was time to either respiratory death or first COPD exacerbation-related hospitalization, whichever occurred first. The event had to be a death or hospitalization for which the patient's respiratory status was prebrominated and/or inducing contributor, as determined by the clinical investigator. The objective of the trial was to demonstrate that the risk of respiratory death or COPD exacerbation-related hospitalization for patients treated with Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution was not greater than 40% more than the risk for patient treated with placebo. A total of 443 patients (479 males and 361 females, ages 41 to 84 years old) with COPD were randomized: 420 to Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution 15 mcg twice daily and 421 to placebo. Of the 443 patients, 255 (61%) in the Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution group and 211 (50%) in the placebo group completed one year of treatment. The trial objective was met demonstrating that COPD patients treated with Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution are not at an increased risk of respiratory death or COPD exacerbation-related hospitalizations compared to placebo.

**7. DRUG INTERACTIONS**  
**7.1. Adrenergic Drugs**  
If additional adrenergic drugs are to be administered by any route, they should be used with caution because the sympathetic effects of arformoterol may be potentiated [see Warnings and Precautions (5.3, 5.5, 5.6, 5.7)].

**7.2. Xanthine Derivatives, Steroids or Diuretics**  
Concomitant treatment with xanthinemia (aminophylline, theophylline), steroids, or diuretics may potentiate any hypokalemic effect of adrenergic agonists including Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution [see Warnings and Precautions (5.7)].

The concurrent use of intravenously or orally administered methylxanthines (e.g., aminophylline, theophylline) by patients receiving Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution has not been completely evaluated. In two combined 12-week, placebo-controlled trials that included Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution doses of 15 mcg twice daily, 25 mcg twice daily, and 50 mcg once daily, 54 of 873 Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution-treated subjects received concomitant theophylline at study entry. In a 12-month controlled trial that included 50 mcg once daily Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution dose, 30 of the 338 Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution-treated subjects received concomitant theophylline at study entry. In these trials, heart rate and systolic blood pressure were approximately 2.3 bpm and 6.8 mm Hg higher, respectively, in subjects on concomitant theophylline compared with the overall population.

**7.3. Non-potassium Sparing Diuretics**  
The ECG changes and/or hypokalemia that may result from the administration of non-potassium sparing diuretics (such as loop or thiazide diuretics) can be acutely worsened by beta<sub>2</sub>-agonists, especially when the recommended dose of the beta<sub>2</sub>-agonist is exceeded. Although the clinical significance of these effects is not known, caution is advised in the co-administration of beta<sub>2</sub>-agonists, including Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution, with non-potassium sparing diuretics.

**7.4. MAO Inhibitors, Tricyclic Antidepressants, QTc Prolonging Drugs**  
Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution, as with other beta<sub>2</sub>-agonists, should be administered with extreme caution to patients being treated with monoamine oxidase inhibitors, tricyclic antidepressants, or drugs known to prolong the QTc interval because of the effect of adrenergic agonists on the cardiovascular system may be potentiated by these agents. Drugs that are known to prolong the QTc interval have an increased risk of ventricular arrhythmias.

**7.5. Beta-Blockers**  
Beta-adrenergic receptor antagonists (beta-blockers) and Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution may inhibit the effect of each other when administered concurrently. Beta-blockers not only block the therapeutic effects of beta<sub>2</sub>-agonists, but may produce severe bronchospasm in COPD patients. Therefore, patients with COPD should not normally be treated with beta-blockers. However, under certain circumstances, e.g., as prophylaxis after myocardial infarction, there may be no acceptable alternatives to the use of beta-blockers in patients with COPD. In this setting, cardiorespiratory beta-blockers could be considered, although they should be administered with caution.

**8. USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS**  
**8.1. Pregnancy**  
Risk Summary  
There are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution should only be used during pregnancy if the expected benefit to the patient outweighs the potential risk to the fetus. Women should be advised to contact their physician if they become pregnant while taking Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution. In animal reproduction studies with arformoterol administered by the oral route to rats and rabbits at exposures approximately 370 and 840 times the adult exposure at the maximum recommended human daily inhalation dose (MRHDID) of 15 mcg twice daily, respectively, there were findings of structural abnormalities, embryofetal and infant mortality, and alterations of growth. These adverse effects were generally observed at large multiples of the MRHDID when arformoterol was administered by the oral route to achieve high systemic exposures. No evidence of fetal harm was observed in rabbits at an exposure approximately 4,900 times the MRHDID.

The estimated background risk of major birth defects and miscarriage for the indicated population is unknown. In the U.S. general population, the estimated background risk of major birth defects and miscarriage in clinically recognized pregnancies is 2-4% and 15-20%, respectively.

## PATIENT INFORMATION Arformoterol Tartrate (ar' for moe' ter ol' tar' trate) Inhalation Solution

### What is Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution?

- Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is for long-term use and should be taken 2 times each day (morning and evening), to help control the symptoms of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) for better breathing.
- COPD is a chronic lung disease that includes chronic bronchitis, emphysema, or both.
- Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is only for use with a nebulizer.
- Long acting beta<sub>2</sub>, adrenergic agonist (LABA) medicines, such as Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution, help the muscles around the airways in your lungs stay relaxed to prevent symptoms, such as wheezing, cough, chest tightness, and shortness of breath.
- Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is not used to treat sudden symptoms of COPD. Always have a short-acting beta<sub>2</sub>-agonist medicine (rescue inhaler) with you to treat sudden symptoms of COPD. If you do not have a rescue inhaler, contact your healthcare provider to have one prescribed for you.
- Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is not for the treatment of asthma. It is not known if Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is safe and effective in people with asthma.
- Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution should not be used in children. It is not known if Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is safe and effective in children.

### Do not use Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution if you:

- are allergic to arformoterol, racemic formoterol, or any of the ingredients in Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution. Ask your healthcare provider if you are not sure. See the end of this leaflet for a complete list of ingredients in Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution.
- have asthma.

### Before you use Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution, tell your healthcare provider about all of your medical conditions, including if you:

- have heart problems
- have high blood pressure
- have seizures
- have thyroid problems
- have diabetes
- have liver problems
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. It is not known if Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution can harm your unborn baby.
- are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed. It is not known if the arformoterol or any other ingredients in Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution passes into your milk and if it can harm your baby. You and your healthcare provider should decide if you will take Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution or breastfeed.

### Tell your healthcare provider about all the medicines you take including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins and herbal supplements. Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution and certain other medicines may interact with each other. This may cause serious side effects.

Know the medicines you take. Keep a list of them to show your healthcare provider and pharmacist each time you get a new medicine.

### How should I use Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution?

#### Read the step-by-step instructions for Use for Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution at the end of this Patient Information leaflet.

- Use Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution exactly as prescribed. Do not use Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution more often than prescribed.

- One unit dose vial of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is 1 dose. The usual dose of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is 1 unit dose vial, 2 times a day (morning and evening) breathed in through your nebulizer machine. The 2 doses should be taken about 12 hours apart. **Do not use more than 2 unit dose vials of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution a day.**
- Do not swallow or inject Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution.**
- Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is for use with a standard jet nebulizer machine connected to an air compressor. Read the complete instructions for use at the end of this Patient Information leaflet before starting Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution.
- Do not mix other medicines with Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution in your nebulizer machine.
- While you are using Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution 2 times each day:
  - Do not use other medicines that contain a long-acting beta<sub>2</sub>-agonist (LABA) for any reason.
  - Do not use your short-acting beta<sub>2</sub>-agonist medicine on a regular basis (four times a day).
- Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution does not relieve sudden symptoms of COPD. Always have a rescue inhaler medicine with you to treat sudden symptoms. If you do not have a rescue inhaler medicine, call your healthcare provider to have one prescribed for you.
- Do not stop using Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution or other medicines to control or treat your COPD unless told to do so by your healthcare provider because your symptoms might get worse. Your healthcare provider will change your medicines as needed.

### Call your healthcare provider or get emergency medical care right away if your breathing problems worsen with Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution, you need to use your rescue medicine more often than usual, or your rescue inhaler medicine does not work as well for you at relieving symptoms.

### What are the possible side effects of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution?

Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution can cause serious side effects, including:

- people with asthma who take long-acting beta<sub>2</sub>-adrenergic agonist (LABA) medicines, such as arformoterol (the medicine in Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution), without also using a medicine called an inhaled corticosteroid have an increased risk of serious problems from asthma, including being hospitalized, needing a tube placed in their airway to help them breathe, or death.
  - Call your healthcare provider if breathing problems worsen over time while using Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution. You may need a different treatment.
  - Get emergency medical care if:
    - your breathing problems worsen quickly.
    - you use a rescue inhaler medicine, but it does not relieve your breathing problems.
- COPD symptoms that get worse over time. If your COPD symptoms worsen over time, do not increase your dose of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution, instead call your healthcare provider.
- using too much of a LABA medicine may cause:
  - chest pain
  - increased blood pressure
  - fast and irregular heartbeat
  - headache
  - tremor
  - nervousness
- sudden shortness of breath immediately after use of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution. Sudden shortness of breath may be life threatening. If you have sudden breathing problems immediately after inhaling your medicine, stop taking Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution and call your healthcare provider or go to the nearest hospital emergency room right away.



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## HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION These highlights do not include all the information needed to use ARFORMOTEROL TARTRATE INHALATION SOLUTION safely and effectively. See full prescribing information for ARFORMOTEROL TARTRATE INHALATION SOLUTION. Initial U.S. Approval: 2006

### INDICATIONS AND USAGE

Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is a long-acting beta<sub>2</sub>-adrenergic agonist (beta<sub>2</sub>-agonist) indicated for:

- Long-term, twice daily (morning and evening) administration in the maintenance treatment of bronchospasm in patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), including chronic bronchitis and emphysema. (1.1)

### Important Limitations of Use:

- Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is not indicated to treat acute deteriorations of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. (1.2, 5.2)
- Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is not indicated to treat asthma. (1.2)

### DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

- A total daily dose of greater than 30 mcg is not recommended. (2)
- One 15 mcg/2 mL vial every 12 hours. (2)
- For use with a standard jet nebulizer (with a face mask or mouthpiece) connected to an air compressor. (2)

### DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS

Inhalation Solution (unit-dose vial for nebulization): 15 mcg/2 mL solution (3)

### CONTRAINDICATIONS

- Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is contraindicated in patients with a history of hypersensitivity to arformoterol, racemic formoterol or to any other components of this product. (4)
- Use of a LABA, including Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution, without an inhaled corticosteroid is contraindicated in patients with asthma. (4)

### WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

- LABA as monotherapy (without an inhaled corticosteroid) in asthma increases the risk of serious asthma-related events. (5.1)

### ADVERSE REACTIONS

- Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is not indicated to treat acute deteriorations of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease [see Warnings and Precautions (5.2)].

### DRUG INTERACTIONS

- Adrenergic Drugs
- Xanthine Derivatives, Steroids or Diuretics
- MAO Inhibitors, Tricyclic Antidepressants, QTc Prolonging Drugs
- Beta-Blockers

### USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

- Pregnancy
- Lactation
- Geriatric Use
- Renal Impairment
- Hepatic Impairment

### DESCRIPTION

- Mechanism of Action
- Pharmacodynamics
- Pharmacokinetics
- Pharmacogenomics

### NONCLINICAL TOXICOLOGY

- Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility
- Animal Toxicology and/or Pharmacology

### CLINICAL STUDIES

- Adult COPD Trials

### HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING

### PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION

- Sections or subsections omitted from the full prescribing information are not listed.

- Do not initiate Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution in acutely deteriorating patients. (5.2)
- Do not use for relief of acute symptoms. Concomitant short-acting beta<sub>2</sub>-agonists can be used as needed for acute relief. (5.2)
- Do not exceed the recommended dose. Excessive use of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution, or use in conjunction with other medications containing long-acting beta<sub>2</sub>-agonists, can result in clinically significant cardiovascular effects, and may be fatal. (5.3, 5.5)
- Life-threatening paradoxical bronchospasm can occur. Discontinue Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution immediately. (5.4)
- Use with caution in patients with cardiovascular or convulsive disorders, thyrotoxicosis, or with sensitivity to sympathomimetic drugs. (5.6, 5.7)

### ADVERSE REACTIONS

Most common adverse reactions (≥2% incidence and more common than placebo) are pain, chest pain, back pain, diarrhea, sinusitis, leg cramps, dyspnea, rash, flu syndrome, peripheral edema and lung disorder. (6.2)

To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact Riteway Pharmaceuticals, LLC at 1-855-806-3300 or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or [www.fda.gov/medwatch](http://www.fda.gov/medwatch).

### DRUG INTERACTIONS

- Other adrenergic drugs may potentiate effect. Use with caution. (5.3, 7.1)
- Xanthine derivatives, steroids, diuretics, or non-potassium sparing diuretics may potentiate hypokalemia or ECG changes. Use with caution. (5.7, 7.2, 7.3)
- MAO inhibitors, tricyclic antidepressants and drugs that prolong the QTc interval may potentiate effect on the cardiovascular system. Use with extreme caution. (7.4)
- Beta-blockers may decrease effectiveness. May block bronchodilatory effects of beta<sub>2</sub>-agonists. Use with caution and only when medically necessary. (7.5)

### USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

- Hepatic Impairment
- Use with caution in patients with hepatic impairment. (8.6)

### See 17 for PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION and Patient Information.

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### 8. USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

- 8.1. Pregnancy
- 8.2. Lactation
- 8.4. Pediatric Use
- 8.5. Geriatric Use
- 8.6. Hepatic Impairment
- 8.7. Renal Impairment

### 9. DRUG ABUSE AND DEPENDENCE



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- effects on the heart which may include:
  - increased blood pressure
  - chest pain
  - a fast or irregular heartbeat,
  - awareness of a heartbeat
- serious allergic reactions including rash, hives, swelling of the face, mouth, and tongue, and breathing problems. Call your healthcare provider or get emergency medical care if you get any symptoms of a serious allergic reaction.
- Changes in laboratory levels, including high levels of blood sugar (hyperglycemia) and low levels of potassium (hypokalemia).

Common side effects of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution include:

- pain
- sinus congestion
- rash
- chest congestion or bronchitis
- chest or back
- leg cramps
- flu-like symptoms
- diarrhea
- trouble breathing
- swelling of your legs

Tell your healthcare provider if you get any side effect that bothers you or that does not go away. These are not all the possible side effects of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution. Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

- How should I store Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution?
- Store Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution in a refrigerator between 36° to 46°F (2° to 8°C) in the protective foil pouch. Protect from light and excessive heat. Do not open a sealed pouch until you are ready to use a dose of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution. After opening the pouch, unused unit dose vials should be returned to, and stored in, the pouch. An opened unit dose vial should be used right away.
  - Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution may also be stored at room temperature between 68° to 77°F (20° to 25°C) for up to 6 weeks (42 days). If stored at room temperature, discard Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution if it is not used after 6 weeks or if past the expiration date, whichever is sooner. Space is provided on the packaging to record room temperature storage times.
  - Do not use Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution after the expiration date provided on the foil pouch and unit dose vial.
  - Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution should be colorless. Throw away (discard) Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution if it is not colorless.
  - Keep Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution and all medicines out of the reach of children.

General information about the safe and effective use of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution. Medicines are sometimes prescribed for purposes not mentioned in this Patient Information leaflet. Do not use Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution for a condition for which it was not prescribed. Do not give Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution to other people, even if they have the same symptoms that you may have. It may harm them.

You can ask your pharmacist or healthcare provider for information about Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution that was written for health professionals.

What are the ingredients in Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution?

Active ingredient: arformoterol

Inactive ingredients: sodium chloride, citric acid monohydrate, and sodium citrate dihydrate

For more information, call RiteDose Pharmaceuticals, LLC at 1-855-806-3300.

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### Instructions for Using Arformoterol Tartrate (ar' for moe' ter ol tar' trate) Inhalation Solution

Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is used only in a standard jet nebulizer machine connected to an air compressor. Make sure you know how to use your nebulizer machine before you use it to breathe in Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution or other medicines.

Do not mix Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution with other medicines in your nebulizer machine.

Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution comes sealed in a foil pouch. Do not open a sealed pouch until you are ready to use a dose of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution. After opening the pouch, unused unit dose vials should be returned to, and stored in, the pouch. An opened unit dose vial should be used right away.

- Open the foil pouch by tearing on the rough edge along the seam of the pouch. Remove a unit dose vial of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution.
- Carefully twist open the top of the unit dose vial and use it right away (Figure 1).

- Squeeze all of the medicine from the unit dose vial into the nebulizer medicine cup (reservoir) (Figure 2).
- Connect the nebulizer reservoir to the mouthpiece (Figure 3) or face mask (Figure 4).

- Connect the nebulizer to the compressor (Figure 5).
- Sit in a comfortable, upright position. Place the mouthpiece in your mouth (Figure 6) (or put on the face mask) and turn on the compressor.

- Breathe as calmly, deeply, and evenly as possible until no more mist is formed in the nebulizer reservoir. It takes about 5 to 10 minutes for each treatment.
- Clean the nebulizer (see manufacturer's instructions).

Rx Only

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#### Clinical Considerations

##### Labor or Delivery:

The potential effect of Arformoterol Tartrate on labor and delivery is unknown. Because of the potential for beta-agonists interference with uterine contraction, use of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution during labor should be restricted to women where the benefits clearly outweigh the risk.

##### Data

In an embryofetal development study in which pregnant rats received doses of 1,000, 5,000 or 10,000 mg/kg/day from gestation days 6 to 17, arformoterol was shown to be teratogenic based upon findings of malpositioned right kidney, a malformation, in rat fetuses at exposures approximately 370 times adult exposure at the MRHD (on an AUC basis with maternal oral doses of 1,000 mg/kg/day and higher. Maternal toxicity was not observed in rats with exposures up to 2,450 times the MRHD (on an AUC basis with maternal oral doses up to 10,000 mg/kg/day). A no-observed adverse-effect-level (NOEL) for rat fetuses was not identified.

In an embryofetal development study in which pregnant rabbits received doses of 20,000, 40,000 or 80,000 mg/kg/day from gestation days 7 to 20, arformoterol was shown to be teratogenic based upon findings of malpositioned right kidney, a malformation, in rabbit fetuses at exposures approximately 8400 times and higher than the adult exposure at the MRHD (on an AUC basis with maternal oral doses of 20,000 mg/kg/day and higher). Malformations including brachyactyly, bulbous aorta, and liver cysts as well as decreased body weights were observed in rabbit fetuses at doses approximately 26,000 times and higher than the MRHD (on a mg/m<sup>3</sup> basis with maternal oral doses of 1,000 mg/kg/day and higher). Malformations including adactyly, labial dysgenesis of the lung, and intervertebral septal defect as well as embryofetality were observed in rabbit fetuses at a dose approximately 5,000 times the MRHD in adults (on a mg/m<sup>3</sup> basis with a maternal oral dose of 80,000 mg/kg/day).

Maternal toxicity was observed at doses approximately 26,000 times and higher than the MRHD in adults (on a mg/m<sup>3</sup> basis with maternal oral doses of 40,000 mg/kg/day and higher). There was no evidence of fetal harm in rabbits at exposures approximately 4,300 times and lower than the adult exposure at the MRHD (on an AUC basis with maternal oral doses of 10,000 mg/kg/day and lower).

Changes in serum potassium and serum glucose were evaluated in a dose-ranging study of 20 female rats and 20 male rats during lactation. At baseline, female rats had a mean potassium level of 3.5 mEq/L and a mean glucose level of 100 mg/dL. At 2 weeks postpartum, female rats receiving doses of 325 times and higher than the MRHD (on a mg/m<sup>3</sup> basis with maternal oral doses of 1,000 mg/kg/day and higher) were slightly prolonged, which was attributed to prolonged parturition or dystocia due to the pharmacologic action of beta-adrenergic agonists such as arformoterol to relax uterine musculature. One female that had received a dose 3,200 times the MRHD (on a mg/m<sup>3</sup> basis with maternal oral dose of 10,000 mg/kg/day), however, was euthanized due to complications during parturition. Pup survival and body weights were decreased at doses 1,800 times higher than the MRHD (on a mg/m<sup>3</sup> basis with maternal oral doses of 5,000 mg/kg/day and higher) at birth and during lactation. Unpublished results of a malformation study, was observed for 1 pup at a dose 3,200 times the MRHD (on a mg/m<sup>3</sup> basis with a maternal oral dose of 10,000 mg/kg/day). Potential malformations observed in 1 of 10 pups were observed at a dose 3,200 times the MRHD (on a mg/m<sup>3</sup> basis with a maternal oral dose of 10,000 mg/kg/day). However, no other reported clinical experience has been observed at a dose 3,200 times the MRHD (on a mg/m<sup>3</sup> basis with a maternal oral dose of 5,000 mg/kg/day).

**8.2 Lactation Risk Summary:**  
There are no data on the presence of arformoterol or its metabolites in human milk, the effects on the breastfed infant, or the effects on milk production. However, arformoterol was excreted in the milk of lactating rats. The developmental and health benefits of breastfeeding should be considered along with the mother's clinical need or Arformoterol Tartrate and any potential adverse effects on the breastfed infant from Arformoterol Tartrate or from the underlying maternal condition.

**8.3 Pediatric Use:**  
Arformoterol and its metabolites were detected in the milk of lactating rats following oral administration of a 10,000 mg/kg dose of radiolabeled arformoterol Tartrate.

**8.4 Geriatric Use:**  
Of the 873 patients who received Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution in two placebo-controlled clinical studies in adults with COPD, 351 (40%) were 65 years of age or older while 96 (11%) were 75 years of age or older. No overall differences in safety or effectiveness were observed between these subjects and younger subjects. Among subjects age 65 years and older, 129 (33%) received Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution and 1,000, respectively while the remainder received placebo. There were no higher doses, ECG alerts for ventricular ectopy in patients 65 to 75 years of age were comparable among patients receiving 15 mg twice daily, 25 mg twice daily, and placebo 15 mg twice daily, and 25 mg twice daily, respectively. A higher frequency (12.4%) was observed when Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution was dosed at 50 mg once daily. The clinical significance of this finding is not known. Other reported clinical experience has not identified differences in responses between the elderly and younger patients, but greater sensitivity of some older individuals cannot be ruled out.

**8.5 Hepatic Impairment:**  
Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution should be used cautiously in patients with hepatic impairment due to increased systemic exposure in these patients (see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)).

**8.7 Renal Impairment:**  
The systemic exposure to arformoterol was similar to renally impaired patients compared with demographically matched healthy control subjects (see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)).

**8.8 Tachycardia/Tolerance:**  
Tolerance to the effects of inhaled beta-agonists can occur with regularly-scheduled, chronic use. In two placebo-controlled clinical trials in patients with COPD involving approximately 725 patients in each, the overall efficacy of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution was maintained throughout the 12-week trial duration. However, tolerance to the bronchodilator effect of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution was observed after 6 weeks of dosing, as measured by a decrease in trough FEV<sub>1</sub>. Improvement at the end of the 12-hour dosing interval decreased by approximately one-third (22.1% mean improvement after the first dose compared to 14.6% of week 12). Tolerance to the trough FEV<sub>1</sub> bronchodilator effect of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution was not accompanied by other clinical manifestations of tolerance in these trials.

**12.3 Pharmacokinetics:**  
The pharmacokinetics (PK) of arformoterol have been investigated in healthy subjects, elderly subjects, renally and hepatically impaired subjects, and COPD patients following the nebulization of the recommended therapeutic dose and doses up to 96 mcg.

**12.4 Absorption:**  
In COPD patients administered 15 mg arformoterol every 12 hours for 14 days, the mean steady-state peak (R,R)-formoterol plasma concentration (C<sub>max</sub>) and systemic exposure AUC<sub>0-12</sub> were 4.3 ng/mL and 34.5 ng•h/mL, respectively. The median steady-state peak (R,R)-formoterol plasma concentration time (T<sub>max</sub>) was observed approximately one-half hour after drug administration.

Systemic exposure to (R,R)-formoterol increased linearly with dose in COPD patients following arformoterol doses of 5 mg, 15 mg, or 25 mg twice daily for 2 weeks or 15 mg, 25 mg, or 50 mg once daily for 2 weeks.

In a crossover study in patients with COPD, when arformoterol 15 mg inhalation solution and the 12 and 24 mg formoterol fumarate inhalation product (Foral® AeroLizer®) were administered twice daily for 2 weeks, the accumulation index was approximately 2.5 based on the plasma (R,R)-formoterol concentrations in all three treatments. At steady-state, geometric means of systemic exposure (AUC<sub>0-12</sub>) to (R,R)-formoterol following 15 mg of arformoterol inhalation solution and 12 mg of formoterol fumarate inhalation product were 39.33 pg•h/mL and 33.93 pg•h/mL, respectively (ratio 1.16; 90% CI 1.00, 1.35), while the geometric means of C<sub>max</sub> were 4.30 ng/mL and 4.75 ng/mL, respectively (ratio 0.91; 90% CI 0.76, 1.09).

In a study in patients with asthma, treatment with arformoterol 50 mg with pre- and post-treatment with activated charcoal resulted in a geometric mean decrease in (R,R)-formoterol AUC<sub>0-12</sub> by 27% and C<sub>max</sub> by 23% as compared to treatment with arformoterol 50 mg alone. This suggests that a substantial portion of systemic drug exposure is due to pulmonary absorption.

**Distribution:**  
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#### 12.1 Mechanism of Action

Arformoterol, the (R,R)-enantiomer of formoterol, is a selective long-acting beta<sub>2</sub>-adrenergic receptor agonist (beta<sub>2</sub>-agonist) that has two-fold greater potency than racemic formoterol (which contains both the (S,S) and (R,R)-enantiomers). The (S,S)-enantiomer is about 1,000-fold less potent as a beta<sub>2</sub>-agonist than (R,R)-enantiomer. While it is recognized that beta<sub>2</sub>-receptors are the predominant adrenergic receptors in bronchial smooth muscle and beta<sub>1</sub>-receptors are the predominant receptors in the heart, data indicate that there are also beta<sub>1</sub>-receptors in the human heart comprising 10% to 50% of the total beta<sub>2</sub> adrenergic receptors. The precise function of these receptors has not been established, but they raise the possibility that even highly selective beta<sub>2</sub>-agonists may have cardiac effects.

The pharmacologic effects of beta<sub>2</sub>-adrenergic agonist drugs, including arformoterol, are at least in part attributable to stimulation of intracellular adenylyl cyclase, the enzyme that catalyzes the conversion of adenosine triphosphate (ATP) to cyclic 3',5'-adenosine monophosphate (cyclic AMP). Increased intracellular cyclic AMP levels cause relaxation of bronchial smooth muscle and inhibition of release of mediators of immediate hypersensitivity from cells, especially from mast cells.

*In vitro* tests show that arformoterol is an inhibitor of the release of mast cell mediators, such as histamine and leukotrienes, from the human lung. Arformoterol also inhibits histamine-induced plasma albumin extravasation in anesthetized guinea pigs and inhibits allergen-induced eosinophil influx in dogs with airway hyper-responsiveness. The relevance of these *in vitro* and animal findings to humans is unknown.

**12.2 Pharmacodynamics**  
**Systemic Safety and Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamic Relationships**  
The predominant adverse effects of inhaled beta<sub>2</sub>-agonists occur as a result of excessive activation of systemic beta<sub>2</sub>-adrenergic receptors. The most common adverse effects may include skeletal muscle tremor and cramps, insomnia, tachycardia, decrease in plasma potassium, and increases in plasma glucose.

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**Elimination**  
After administration of a single oral dose of radiolabeled arformoterol to eight healthy male subjects, 63% of the total radioactive dose was recovered in urine and 13% in feces within 48 hours. A total of 89% of the total radioactive dose was recovered within 14 days, with 67% in urine and 22% in feces. Approximately 1% of the dose was recovered as unchanged arformoterol in urine over 14 days. Renal clearance was 8.9 L/hr for unchanged arformoterol in these subjects. In COPD patients given 15 mg inhaled arformoterol twice a day for 14 days, the mean terminal half-life of arformoterol was 26 hours.

**Special Populations:**  
**Gender:**  
A population PK analysis indicated that there was no effect of gender upon the pharmacokinetics of arformoterol.

**Race:**  
The influence of race on arformoterol pharmacokinetics was assessed using a population PK analysis and data from healthy subjects. There was no clinically significant impact of race upon the pharmacokinetic profile of arformoterol.

**Geriatric:**  
The pharmacokinetic profile of arformoterol in 24 elderly subjects (aged 65 years or older) was compared to a younger cohort of 24 subjects (18-45 years) that were matched for body weight and gender. No significant differences in systemic exposure (AUC and C<sub>max</sub>) were observed when the two groups were compared.

**Hepatic Impairment:**  
The pharmacokinetic profile of arformoterol was assessed in 24 subjects with mild, moderate, and severe hepatic impairment. The systemic exposure (C<sub>max</sub> and AUC) to arformoterol increased 1.3 to 2.4-fold in subjects with hepatic impairment compared to 16 demographically matched healthy control subjects. No clear relationship between drug exposure and the severity of hepatic impairment was observed. Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution should be used cautiously in patients with hepatic impairment.

**Renal Impairment:**  
The impact of renal disease upon the pharmacokinetics of arformoterol was studied in 24 subjects with mild, moderate, and severe renal impairment. Systemic exposure (AUC and C<sub>max</sub>) to arformoterol was similar in renally impaired patients compared with demographically matched healthy control subjects.

**Drug-Drug Interaction:**  
When paroxetine, a potent inhibitor of CYP2D6, was co-administered with Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution, no clinically significant drug-drug interaction was observed. Dose adjustments of arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution are not necessary when the drug is given concomitantly with potent CYP2D6 inhibitors.

Arformoterol did not inhibit CYP1A2, CYP2A6, CYP2C8, CYP2C9, CYP2D6, CYP2E1, CYP3A4, or CYP3A4/11 enzymes at >1,000-fold higher concentrations than the expected peak plasma concentrations following a therapeutic dose.

**12.5 Pharmacokinetics**  
Arformoterol is eliminated through the action of multiple drug metabolizing enzymes. Direct glucuronidation of arformoterol is mediated by several UGT enzymes and is the primary elimination route. O-Demethylation is a secondary route catalyzed by the CYP enzymes CYP2D6 and CYP2C19. In otherwise healthy subjects with reduced CYP2D6 and/or UGT1A1 enzyme activity, there was no impact on systemic exposure to arformoterol compared to subjects with normal CYP2D6 and/or UGT1A1 enzyme activity.

**13.1 Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility**  
In a 24-month carcinogenicity study in Sprague-Dawley rats, arformoterol caused a statistically significant increase in the incidence of thyroid gland C-cell adenoma and carcinoma in female rats at an inhalation dose of 200 mcg/kg (AUC exposure approximately 130 times adult exposure at the MRHD). There were no tumor findings with an inhalation dose of 40 mcg/kg (AUC exposure approximately 55 times adult exposure at the MRHD).

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Arformoterol was not mutagenic or clastogenic in the following tests: mutagenicity tests in bacteria, chromosome aberration analyses in mammalian cells, and micronucleus test in mice.

Arformoterol had no effects on fertility and reproductive performance in rats at oral doses up to 10,000 mg/kg (approximately 3,200 times the MRHD in adults on a mg/m<sup>3</sup> basis).

**13.2 Animal Toxicology and/or Pharmacology**  
**Animal Pharmacology:**  
In animal studies investigating its cardiovascular effects, arformoterol induced dose-dependent increases in heart rate and decreases in blood pressure consistent with its pharmacology as a beta<sub>2</sub>-adrenergic agonist. In dogs, at systemic exposures higher than anticipated clinically, arformoterol also induced exaggerated pharmacologic effects of a beta<sub>2</sub>-adrenergic agonist on cardiac function as measured by electrocardiogram (sinus tachycardia, atrial premature beats, ventricular escape beats, PVCs).

Studies in laboratory animals (mice, rats, and dogs) have demonstrated the occurrence of arrhythmias and sudden death (with histologic evidence of myocardial necrosis) when beta<sub>2</sub>-agonists and methanxanthines are administered concurrently. The clinical significance of these findings is unknown.

**14.1 Adult COPD Trials**  
Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution was studied in two identical, 12-week, double-blind, placebo- and active-controlled, randomized, multi-center, parallel group trials conducted in the United States (Clinical Trial A and Clinical Trial B). A total of 1,456 adult patients (age range: 34 to 89 years; mean age: 63 years; gender: 860 males and 596 females) with COPD who had a mean FEV<sub>1</sub> of 1.3 L (42% of predicted) were enrolled in the two clinical trials. The racial/ethnic distribution in these two trials included 1383 Caucasians, 49 Blacks, 10 Asians, and 10 Hispanics, and 4 patients classified as Other. The diagnosis of COPD was based on a prior clinical diagnosis of COPD, a smoking history (greater than 15 pack-years), age (at least 35 years), spirometry results (baseline FEV<sub>1</sub> <65% of predicted value and <0.7 L), and a FEV<sub>1</sub>/forced vital capacity (FVC) ratio <70%.

About 80% of patients in these studies had bronchodilator reversibility, defined as a 10% or greater increase in FEV<sub>1</sub> after inhalation of 2 actuations (180 mcg racemic albuterol from a metered dose inhaler). Both trials compared Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution 15 mg twice daily (288 patients), 25 mg twice daily (292 patients), 50 mg once daily (293 patients) with placebo (293 subjects). Both trials included salmeterol inhalation aerosol, 42 mg twice daily as an active comparator (290 patients).

In both 12-week trials, Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution 15 mg twice daily resulted in a statistically significant change of approximately 13% in mean FEV<sub>1</sub> (as measured by percent change from study baseline FEV<sub>1</sub> at the end of the dosing interval over the 12 weeks of treatment, the primary efficacy endpoint) compared to placebo. Compared to Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution 15 mg twice daily, Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution 25 mg twice daily and 50 mg once daily did not provide sufficient additional benefit on a variety of endpoints, including FEV<sub>1</sub>, to support the use of higher doses. Plots of the mean change in FEV<sub>1</sub> values obtained over the 12 hours after dosing for the Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution 15 mg twice daily dose group and for the placebo group are provided in Figures 1 and 2 for Clinical Trial A, below. The plots include mean FEV<sub>1</sub> change observed after the first dose and after 12 weeks of treatment. The results from Clinical Trial B were similar.

**Figure 1 Mean Change in FEV<sub>1</sub> Over Time for Clinical Trial A at Week 0 (Day 1)**

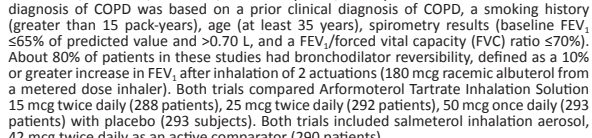
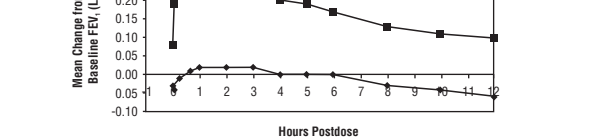


Figure 2 Mean Change in FEV<sub>1</sub> Over Time for Clinical Trial A at Week 12



Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution 15 mg twice daily significantly improved bronchodilation compared to placebo over the 12 hours after dosing (FEV<sub>1</sub> AUC<sub>0-12</sub>). This improvement was maintained over the 12-week study period.

Following the first dose of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution 15 mg, the median time to onset of bronchodilation, defined by an FEV<sub>1</sub> increase of 15%, occurred at 6.7 min. When defined as an increase in FEV<sub>1</sub> of 13% and 200 mL, the time to onset of bronchodilation was 20 min after dosing. Peak bronchodilator effect was generally seen within 1-3 hours of dosing.

In both clinical trials, compared to placebo, patients treated with Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution demonstrated improvements in peak expiratory flow rates, supplemental protopium and rescue albuterol use.

**15. HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING**  
Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is supplied in a single strength (15 mg of arformoterol, equivalent to 22 mg of arformoterol tartrate) as 2 mL of a sterile solution in low-density polyethylene (LDPE) unit-dose vials overwrapped in foil. Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution is available in a self-cart containing 30 or 60 unit-dose vials.

NDC 76204-026-01: carton of 30 individually pouched unit-dose vials.  
NDC 76204-026-02: carton of 60 individually pouched unit-dose vials.  
NDC 76204-026-55: carton of 60 unit-dose vials (12x5 unit-dose vial pouches).

**Storage and Handling**  
Store Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution in the protective foil pouch under refrigeration at 36°-46°F (2°-8°C). Protect from light and excessive heat. After opening the pouch, unused unit dose vials should be returned to, and stored in, the pouch. An opened unit-dose vial should be used right away. Discard any unit-dose vial if the solution is not colorless. Unopened foil pouches of Arformoterol Tartrate Inhalation Solution can also be stored at room temperature 68°-77°F (20°-25°C) for up to 6 weeks. If stored at room temperature, discard if not used after 6 weeks or if past the expiration date, whichever is sooner.

**17. PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION**  
Advise the patient to read the FDA-approved patient labeling (Patient Information and Instructions for Use) with each new prescription and refilling.

The complete text of the Patient Information is reprinted at the end of this document. Patients should be given the following information:

**Serious Asthma-Related Events, Acute Exacerbations or**