

# A user guide for adult patients prescribed **Luforbec**

There are two strengths of Luforbec; 100/6 and 200/6. This leaflet covers how to use both strengths of Luforbec.

Your doctor, nurse or pharmacist will have prescribed the strength of Luforbec which is right for you. This leaflet is not intended to replace the advice of your healthcare professional.



#### What is Luforbec metered dose inhaler?

Luforbec is an inhaler containing the active substances beclometasone and formoterol.

If you are allergic or think you are allergic to any of the ingredients of Luforbec, contact your healthcare professional for advice.

Only use Luforbec as it has been prescribed to you by your healthcare professional.

### Before you start using your Luforbec inhaler

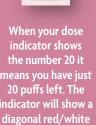
Before using the inhaler for the first time, release 3 puffs into the air. Or, if you have not used the inhaler for 14 days or more, release 1 puff. This is to make sure that your inhaler is working correctly.

## Front facing dose indicator

The inhaler has a dose indicator to let you know how many doses are left in the

Use the dose indicator to understand how many puffs you have left and ensure you request a new inhaler in plenty of time, so you do not run out.





Stop using the inhaler when the dose indicator shows 0 as any medicine left in the device may not be enough to release a full dose

# When and how to clean your device

You should clean your inhaler once a week. When cleaning, do not remove the canister and do not use water or other liquids. Instead:

and 0 doses

- Remove the protective cap from the mouthpiece
- Wipe inside and outside of the mouthpiece with a clean, dry cloth or tissue
- Replace the mouthpiece cap

#### **Storing your device**

Do not use beyond 3 months after obtaining from your pharmacy, and do not use past the expiry date on the canister and box.

Do not store the inhaler above 25 °C. Do not freeze.

If the inhaler has been exposed to severe cold, warm it with your hands for a few minutes before using. Never warm it by artificial means.

The canister contains a pressurised liquid. Do not expose the canister to temperatures higher than 50°C. Do not pierce the canister.

#### Disposing of your device

Medicines should not be disposed using waste water or household waste. Return all used, partially used and unused inhalers to your pharmacist for disposal.

#### Where can I find more information?

For more information about your respiratory condition and using your inhaler, the following contacts and websites may be useful:

#### **NHS** website

www.nhs.uk/conditions/asthma

www.nhs.uk/conditions/chronic-obstructive-pulmonary-disease-copd/

#### Asthma + Lung UK

www.asthmaandlung.org.uk Helpline: 0300 222 5800

#### **Lupin Healthcare UK**

www.lupinhealthcare.co.uk

This leaflet is not intended to replace the advice of your healthcare professional. If you have any queries about your medication or you feel unwell, contact your doctor, nurse or pharmacist or contact NHS 111 on the details below:

#### **NHS 111 England**

www.england.nhs.uk/urgent-emergency-care/nhs-111

Helpline: 111 **NHS 111 Scotland** 

www.nhs24.scot/111/when-to-phone-111

Helpline: 111 NHS 111 Wales

www.111.wales.nhs.uk/contactus

Helpline: 111

(currently available in the following health board areas - Hywel Dda, Powys, Betsi Cadwaladr, Cwm Taf, Aneurin Bevan and Swansea Bay - including Bridgend)

If you are outside this area, please call 0845 46 47.

Reporting of side effects: If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor, pharmacist or nurse. This includes any possible side effects not listed in the leaflet. You can also report side effects directly by the Yellow Card Scheme website: www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard or search for MHRA Yellow Card in the Google Play or Apple App Store. By reporting side effects you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine

# **Using your Luforbec inhaler**

Remove the protective cap from • the mouthpiece and check that the mouthpiece is clean and free from dust and dirt or any other foreign objects.



Stand or sit in an upright position when ousing the inhaler. Shake the inhaler.



Breathe out slowly and empty your lungs as much as comfortably possible.



Tilt the chin up slightly and seal the olips around the mouthpiece. Hold the canister vertically with its body upwards and put your lips around the mouthpiece, creating a tight seal without biting the mouthpiece and ensure your tongue remains flat.



After starting to breathe in, press down on the top of the inhaler to release one puff while continuing to breathe in. Breathe in slowly and steadily through the mouth over 3-5 seconds.



Remove the inhaler from your mouth and hold your breath for as long as possible (about 10 seconds) and finally, breathe out slowly. You should not breathe out into the inhaler.



If another puff is required, wait 30 seconds then repeat steps 3 to 6.



When finished, replace the mouthpiece cap. Rinse out your mouth with water to help avoid side-effects such as thrush or becoming hoarse.



# Using your Luforbec inhaler with the AeroChamber Plus® spacer device

For most people it is recommended that a pressurised metered dose inhaler is used with a spacer device.

The AeroChamber Plus® spacer device is the spacer that is recommended for use with Luforbec.

Always consult the spacer device user instructions and listen to the advice given by your healthcare professional.

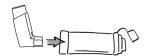
Remove the protective cap from the mouthpiece and check that the mouthpiece is clean and free from dust and dirt or any other foreign objects.



Stand or sit in an upright position when using the inhaler. Shake the inhaler.



Insert it into the back of the spacer until it forms a nice seal.



Breathe out slowly and empty your lungs
•fully or as much as comfortably possible.



Tilt the chin up slightly. Hold the canister vertically in the spacer with its body upwards and put your lips around the spacer mouthpiece creating a tight seal, without biting the mouthpiece. Ensure your tongue is kept flat.



After starting to breathe in, press
down on top of the inhaler to release
one puff into the spacer and inhale slowly and
steadily through the spacer mouthpiece (over
3-5 seconds). If you hear a whistling sound you
are breathing in too quickly.



Remove your spacer from your mouth and
hold your breath for as long as possible (about 10 seconds) and, finally, breathe out slowly.



When finished, remove the inhaler from the spacer and replace the mouthpiece cap. Rinse out your mouth with water to help avoid side-effects such as thrush or becoming



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You can find a video demonstrating how to use your Luforbec inhaler by itself or with the AeroChamber Plus® spacer by scanning the QR code with your mobile phone or visting www.lupinhealthcare.co.uk