

## Indication:

**Farcolin Respirator Solution** is used to treat breathing problems in people with asthma and other chest illnesses. It is usually given to people who suffer quite badly from these conditions when other forms of treatment do not help enough. **Farcolin Respirator Solution** is also used to treat severe attacks of asthma.

**Farcolin Respirator Solution** must only be used by inhalation from a nebuliser and must not be injected or swallowed.

## Dosage:

### Intermittent Treatment:

- **Adults and adolescents aged 12 years and over-** The usual dose is 0.5 ml (=15 drops) to 1 ml (=30 drops) of **Farcolin Respirator Solution** (2.5 to 5 mg salbutamol). Some patients may require up to 2 ml (=60 drops) (10 mg salbutamol).
- **Children aged 18 months to 12 years –** The usual dose is 0.5 ml (= 15 drops) to 1 ml (= 30 drops) (2.5 to 5 mg salbutamol) of **Farcolin Respirator Solution**, given four times daily.

Your doctor may have told you to dilute **Farcolin Respirator Solution** with a sterile normal saline solution before using it in the nebuliser. Remember to follow the instructions for dilution.

### Continuous treatment:

- The usual rate of administration is 1 to 2 mg of salbutamol per hour.
- This dose can be obtained by diluting 1 ml (=30 drops) or 2 ml (=60 drops) of **Farcolin Respirator Solution** to 100 ml with sterile normal saline solution to produce a solution containing 50 or 100 micrograms/ml of salbutamol, and inhaling the mist from a suitable nebuliser.

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## How to use your Farcolin Respirator Solution

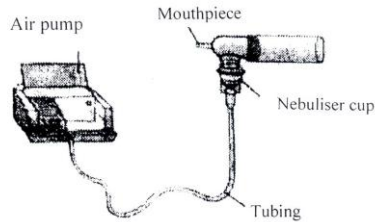
### Instructions and Precaution for use:

- 1- It is you important that you use Farcolin respirator solution properly. This will ensure that receive the maximum benefit from your medicine Farcolin respirator solution must only be used by inhalation from a nebulizer, and must not be injected or swallowed.
- 2- Make sure you know how, when and how much solution you should use. Follow your doctor's instructions carefully. If you are not sure, ask your doctor.
- 3- To avoid contamination, proper cleaning and drying technique should be done for the nebuliser parts after each use.
- 4- Precautions should be taken to prevent contact of the dropper tip of the bottle with any surface.
- 5- If the solution changes color or becomes cloudy, it should not be used.
- 6- Nebuliser devices should not be shared between patients.

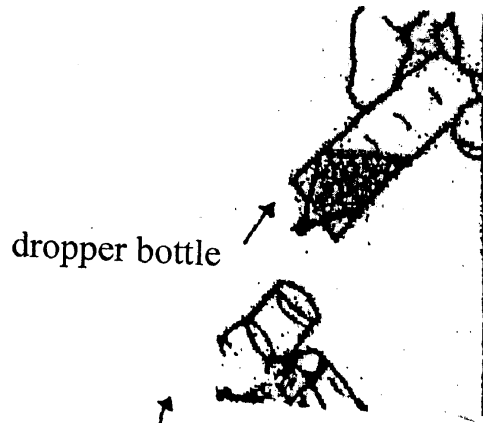
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**How to use the nebuliser device:**

1- Prepare the nebuliser for filling (**Figure 1**).



(Figure 1).



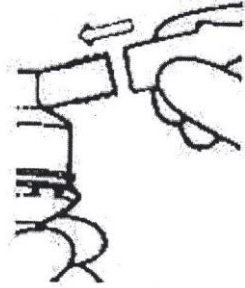
nebuliser cup

2- Add the quantity of **Farcolin Respirator Solution** from the bottle at the dose directed by your physician (1 ml = 30 drops) and put it in the nebuliser cup through the appropriate opening (**Figure 2**).

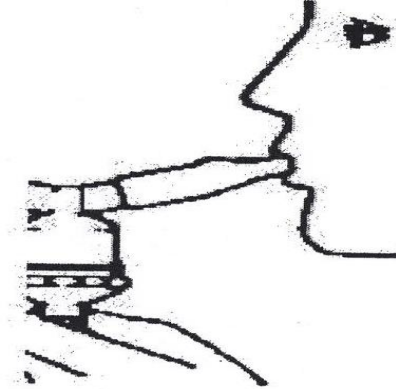
**Note:** Close the bottle as soon as the solution is taken. Keep the bottle closed at all times and do not open it unnecessarily.

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- 3- Add to the nebuliser cup the amount of diluting fluid (sterile normal saline) directed by your physician.
- 4- Gently shake the nebuliser cup and connect the nebuliser with the mouthpiece or face mask. **(figure 3)**



- 5- Connect the apparatus to the air pump or oxygen.
- 6- Sit in a comfortable, upright position; place the mouthpiece in your mouth (or put on the face mask); and turn on the air pump (or oxygen). **(figure 4).**



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- 7- Breath calmly and deeply and evenly as possible until no more mist is formed in the nebuliser cup (about 5 to 15 minutes). At this point, the treatment is finished
- 8- Any unused solution in the nebuliser should be discarded.
- 9- Clean the nebuliser (as the instructions below).

#### **How to avoid the microbial contamination:**

To avoid microbial contamination, proper clean techniques should be used each time the bottle is opened. Examples of clean techniques include washing hands and applying clean gloves when needed. A person's surroundings are kept as clean as possible.

Precautions should be taken to prevent contact of the dropper tip of the bottle with any surface, including the nebulizer reservoir and associated ventilatory equipment.

#### **How to clean the nebuliser device:**

After each use, clean and dry the nebuliser as follows:

- 1- Disassemble the supply tube and the nebuliser parts (cup, face mask or mouth piece) after each use.
- 2- Wash the previous parts with warm water containing a suitable detergent.
- 3- Rinse them thoroughly
- 4- Reassemble all nebuliser parts and put approximately 3 ml of warm water in the cup and then turn on the pump for 2 minutes and blow air through.
- 5- If there is evidence of clogging, clean the nebuliser again and let it dry.
- 6- Cover the air pump with a clean cloth and do not put it on the floor either during treatment or for storage.

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