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## Breelib<sup>®</sup> information sheet

### Why Breelib can turn OFF when you do not expect it to, without beeping

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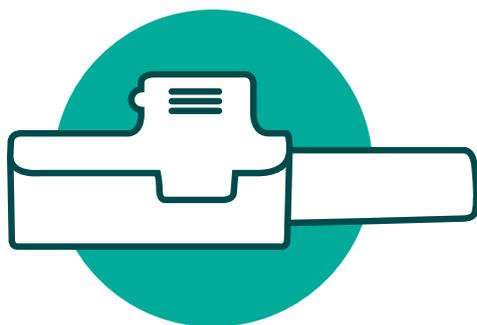
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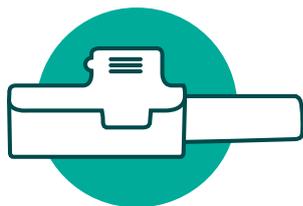
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## Introduction to Breelib information sheet 3

To use Breelib to take a dose of Ventavis (iloprost trometamol) you must first turn it ON by lightly pressing the ON/OFF button once before removing your finger (figure 1). When you are using Breelib, there are a number of reasons why the device can turn OFF unexpectedly without beeping.

This document will provide you with information on why Breelib can turn OFF unexpectedly and how to avoid it from happening.

Figure 1  
The Breelib nebuliser

- 1 Mouthpiece/Mouthpiece light
- 2 Battery light (Power LED)
- 3 Charging socket inlet
- 4 Air inlet
- 5 Base unit
- 6 ON/OFF button
- 7 Nebuliser unit
- 8 Reset button



## Why Breelib can turn OFF without beeping; before you can start taking your dose

### 1

### **Breelib will turn itself OFF if there is not enough charge to take your next dose**

If there is not enough charge on the battery for you to take your next dose, the battery light will blink orange and the mouthpiece will light up orange for 2 seconds (figure 2) before Breelib turns OFF. This can happen after you have finished taking a dose, or when you try to turn Breelib ON to take your next dose. Breelib will only turn ON if there is enough battery charge for you to take a full dose.

If Breelib does not have enough battery charge when you try to turn it ON to take your next dose, it will need to be charged for at least 20 minutes. Drug left inside the nebuliser unit whilst Breelib is charging will dry up and block the tiny holes on the metal disc, or mesh (figure 3). When these tiny holes get blocked, the amount of drug mist which is made each time you breathe in through the mouthpiece will get smaller. It will then take you more breaths and more time to finish taking each of your doses.

To prevent blockages, unclip the nebuliser unit, open the cap and empty out the drug by gently shaking before thoroughly rinsing with ZeroWater. Shaking away as much water after rinsing the nebuliser unit will help to make sure it is dry enough to use once Breelib has enough charge.

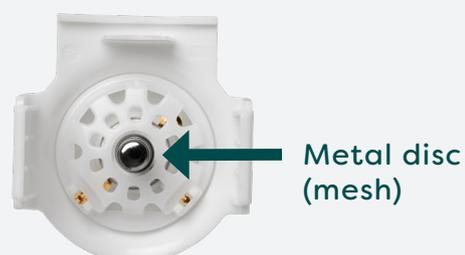
After 20 minutes, unplug the charger and clip the nebuliser unit back into the base unit before filling with drug from a new ampoule. The cap can now be clipped shut and Breelib can be turned ON to take your dose.

Once you have finished taking your dose, fully charge the base unit until the green battery light stops blinking. Charging the battery whenever the battery light turns orange, or charging every few days will make sure you always have enough charge to take a dose when you need to.

Figure 2  
**Breelib lights when there is not enough battery charge to take your next dose**



Figure 3  
**Metal disc at the bottom of the nebuliser unit**



## 2

### **Breelib will not turn ON if the base unit is plugged in and charging**

Breelib is powered by a rechargeable battery. When Breelib is plugged in and charging you cannot turn it ON to take a dose.

When Breelib is charging, if you try to turn Breelib ON, the mouthpiece light will blink orange 3 times before the green battery light blinks as Breelib continues to charge.

To use Breelib to take your dose, unplug the charger before lightly pressing the ON/OFF button once to turn Breelib ON.

### **Why Breelib can turn OFF without beeping; after you have started taking your dose**

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### **Breelib will turn OFF if you press and hold down the ON/OFF button**

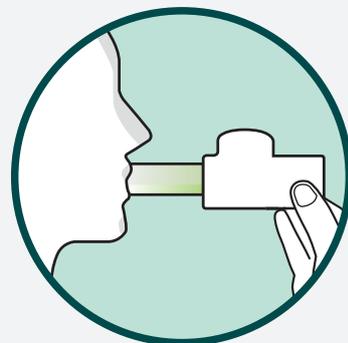
When Breelib is ON, if you press and hold down the ON/OFF button (figure 1) for two seconds or more Breelib will turn OFF. When you are taking a dose, if you hold Breelib with your fingers over the ON/OFF button you may accidentally press and hold the ON/OFF button and turn the device OFF.

If you have accidentally turned Breelib OFF, lightly press the ON/OFF button once to turn Breelib back ON and finish taking your dose. When you have finished taking your dose the mouthpiece light will blink green for 5 seconds before Breelib turns itself OFF.

Holding Breelib at the sides between your thumb and fingers (figure 4) will prevent you from pressing the ON/OFF button and turning Breelib OFF when you do not want to.

If you try to turn Breelib back ON after you have finished taking your dose, the device will beep before turning itself back OFF. This is normal as it is Breelib letting you know that there is no more drug left for you to breathe in.

Figure 4  
**Holding Breelib correctly**



## 4

### **Breelib will turn itself OFF if it is not used for 5 minutes**

Before finishing a dose, if you break for 5 minutes or more, Breelib will turn itself OFF to save battery. If this happens, lightly press the ON/OFF button (figure 1) once to turn Breelib back ON and finish taking your dose.

If drug is left inside the nebuliser unit for longer than 5 minutes it can start to dry up and block the tiny holes in the metal disc which vibrates to make the fine drug mist you breathe into your lungs.

Taking long breaks in between breathing in through the mouthpiece and the tiny holes on the metal disc getting blocked can result in it taking you longer to finish taking each of your doses.

## 5

### **Breelib will turn OFF if it is plugged in to charge part-way through taking a dose**

If you are part-way through taking a dose and you plug Breelib in to charge, the mouthpiece will light up orange for 5 seconds (figure 1) before Breelib turns OFF and the battery light starts to blink green as the base unit charges.

To finish taking your dose, unplug the charger then lightly press the ON/OFF button once to turn Breelib back ON. Continue to breathe in through the mouthpiece until the mouthpiece light blinks green for 5 seconds and Breelib turns itself OFF.

Breelib will not turn ON unless there is enough charge on the battery for you to take a full dose. You should not plug Breelib in to charge until you have finished taking a dose. When the battery light turns orange you have around one day's worth of charge remaining on the battery which should then be fully charged after you finish your next dose, or at your next opportunity.

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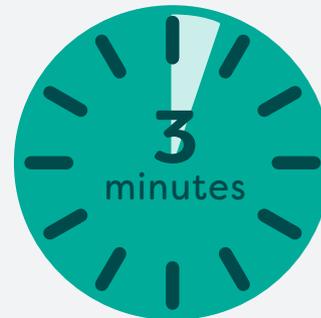
### **Breelib will turn itself OFF straight after you have finished taking your dose**

When you have finished taking your dose, the mouthpiece light (figure 1) will blink green for 5 seconds before Breelib turns itself OFF.

If you do not see the mouthpiece light blinking green for 5 seconds and you try and turn Breelib back ON, the device will beep before turning itself back OFF. This is normal. You should take Breelib apart and rinse the mouthpiece and nebuliser unit as usual.

It is possible to take a full dose in less than 3 minutes (figure 5) so it is good practice to take notice of the time when you turn Breelib ON to start taking your dose. It is also good practice to pay attention to the mouthpiece lights when using Breelib as they will guide the speed of your breathing but also let you know when you have finished taking your dose. Avoid using Breelib in direct sunlight so that you can clearly see the mouthpiece lights.

Figure 5  
**A full dose can be taken in less than 3 minutes**



## 7

### **Breelib can turn OFF if the ON/OFF button gets jammed**

When Breelib is ON, if you press and hold the ON/OFF button (figure 1) for two seconds or more Breelib will turn OFF. If the ON/OFF button is pressed too hard and too often it can start to get stuck in the base unit. If the ON/OFF button gets jammed during use, it will mimic the action for turning OFF the device and Breelib may shut down before you have finished taking your dose.

If you look closely at the ON/OFF button you will be able to see if the bottom part of the button gets jammed in the base unit when it is pressed. Lightly pressing the top of the ON/OFF button will release the button. If the ON/OFF button on your device starts to get jammed as described, use the base unit from your RESERVE Breelib Starter Pack and let the Breelib support Centre know as soon as possible and they will arrange a replacement and the collection of your faulty device.

Breelib is turned ON by lightly pressing the ON/OFF button once before removing your finger from the button. Not pressing the button too hard or for longer than is necessary can help prevent the ON/OFF button on your new device from getting jammed.

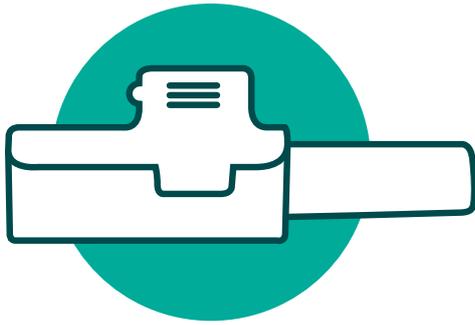
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## **Breelib can turn OFF unexpectedly if the nebuliser unit is boiled (disinfected) too much**

When you breathe in through the mouthpiece (figure 1), the metal disc (mesh) underneath the nebuliser unit (figure 3) vibrates to make the fine drug mist which enters your lungs.

At the end of each week of use, it is important to boil the nebuliser unit and mouthpiece for 10 minutes. Boiling the nebuliser unit more than once every week or keeping the saucepan on the heat for longer than 10 minutes can damage the nebuliser unit and stop it from making the mist of drug. When this happens, Breelib can turn OFF before you have finished taking your dose.

If the nebuliser unit has become damaged during the boiling (disinfection) process use the new nebuliser unit and mouthpiece from the Monthly Pack inside your RESERVE Breelib Starter Pack. Let the Breelib Support Centre know as soon as possible and they will arrange a replacement. When filling the replacement nebuliser unit use drug from a new ampoule; never transfer drug from the old nebuliser unit.



## Further support; Breelib information sheets 1 - 11

The series of Breelib information sheets have been designed to cover specific topics to help you when you are using Breelib. The documents can be viewed or downloaded from the Patient Resources area of [www.Breelib.co.uk](http://www.Breelib.co.uk) or you can request a hard copy by calling the Breelib Support Centre on freephone 0800 0 463 255.

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- 3 Why Breelib can turn OFF when you do not expect it to, without beeping

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- 4 How to avoid Breelib clicking OFF before the end of a 3-second breathing cycle

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- 5 Why doses may be taking you longer than usual to finish

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- 6 Why the mouthpiece can feel blocked when you are using Breelib

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