

Drug Info

ESOMEPRAZOLE MAGNESIUM ORAL (NEXIUM)

BEFORE USING THIS MEDICINE:

- * Inform your Doctor or Pharmacist if you are allergic to any prescription or non-prescription medicine; taking other medicines or have other medical problems; pregnant, planning a pregnancy, or breastfeeding.
- * Check with your Doctor, Pharmacists, or Nurse if information in this leaflet causes you special concern or if you want additional information about your medicine and its use.
- * Inform your doctor if you have any of these conditions : LIVER PROBLEMS.

COMMON USE FOR THIS MEDICINE:

- 1- For the symptomatic treatment of GASTROESOPHAGEAL REFLUX DISEASE (GERD)
- 2- For the treatment and prevention of ULCER OF ESOPHAGUS / EROSIIVE ESOPHAGITIS
- 3- To reduce the incidence/risk of GASTRIC ULCER UNSPECIFIED AS ACUTE OR CHRONIC in patients 60 years of age and older
- 4- To reduce the incidence/risk of H. PYLORI INFECTION (HELICOBACTER PYLORI)

HOW TO USE THIS MEDICINE:

Use this medicine exactly as directed on the label, unless instructed differently by your doctor

- * Take this medicine 60 minutes BEFORE MEALS.
- * Swallow CAPSULES whole, DO NOT chew or break.
- * If you have problem swallowing, capsules can be opened and the granules inside can be sprinkled on applesauce and swallowed (not chewed) immediately.
- * Use this medicine for the full prescribed treatment period.
- * This medicine may be taken with ANTACIDS to lessen stomach upset.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU MISS A DOSE:

Take when remembered unless time for next dose. No double doses.

HOW TO STORE THIS MEDICINE:

Keep in original closed container in a dark, cool, and dry place away from children. Discard unneeded medicine.

CALL YOUR DOCTOR IMMEDIATELY IF YOU EXPERIENCE:

Skin rash.

OTHER SIDE EFFECTS:

Headache; Diarrhea; Nausea; Gas; Stomach discomfort or pain; Dry mouth; Constipation; Muscle pain; Liver inflammation.

If symptoms are mild but do not go away or are bothersome, check with your doctor. IF ANY OF THE ABOVE SIDE EFFECTS IS SEVERE, CALL YOUR DOCTOR IMMEDIATELY.

PRECAUTIONS AND WARNINGS:

- * There are no adequate or well-controlled safety studies in pregnant women. NOTIFY YOUR DOCTOR IF PREGNANT or intend to become pregnant.
- * NOTIFY YOUR DOCTOR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF YOU FEEL ANY MALAISE, FATIGUE, OR DARK DISCOLORATION OF THE URINE.
- * Because of INTERACTIONS, report the use of any other prescription or nonprescription medicines, including natural/herbal remedies, to your doctor.

NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS FOR DEPLETION:

This medication may cause some nutrients to be depleted from your body. The following supplements may be recommended:
VITAMIN B12 ORAL.