

Drug Info

TMP + SULFAMETHOXAZOLE ORAL (BACTRIM)

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; KIDNEY DISEASE; ASTHMA.

COMMON USE FOR THIS MEDICINE:

- 1- For the treatment of CHRONIC BRONCHITIS
- 2- For the treatment of OTITIS MEDIA (SUPPURATIVE AND UNSPECIFIED)
- 3- For the treatment of GASTRO INTESTINAL INFECTIONS
- 4- For the treatment of URINARY TRACT INFECTION
- 5- For the treatment of PNEUMOCYSTIS CARINII PNEUMONIA (PCP)
- 6- For Prophylaxis against PNEUMOCYSTIS CARINII PNEUMONIA (PCP)

HOW TO USE THIS MEDICINE:

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

- * DO NOT REFRIGERATE SUSPENSION
- * This medicine should be taken WITH a full glass of water (6-8oz).
- * Drink several glasses of WATER during the day, unless otherwise directed by your doctor.
- * Use this medicine for the full prescribed treatment period.
- * Notify physician if symptoms do not improve, or if they become worse.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU MISS A DOSE:

If you miss a dose, omit missed dose completely; resume regular schedule. 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.

STOP TAKING THIS MEDICINE AND GET EMERGENCY HELP IMMEDIATELY IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING OCCURS (SEE SYMPTOMS BELOW):

Shortness of breath, fast or irregular breathing, fever, joint pain, fast pulse, lightheadedness or fainting, swelling of face, hives, & itching.

CALL YOUR DOCTOR IMMEDIATELY IF YOU EXPERIENCE:

Fever; Sore throat; Severe skin reactions; Yellowing of eyes or skin; Numbness or tingling in hands and feet; Ringing in ears; Unusual bleeding or bruising; Muscle weakness.

OTHER SIDE EFFECTS:

Vomiting; Nausea; Stomach discomfort or pain; Increased sensitivity to sunlight; Skin rash; Decreased appetite; Skin inflammation; Kidney function tests abnormalities; Liver problems; Abnormal blood cell count; A small hemorrhage; Diarrhea; Headache; Inflammation of the tongue; Itching.

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:

- * STOP TAKING MEDICINE & GET EMERGENCY HELP IMMEDIATELY IF A HYPERSENSITIVITY OR ANAPHYLACTIC REACTION occurs: (see symptoms below):-
- * shortness of breath, fast or irregular breathing, fever, joint pain, fast pulse, lightheadedness or fainting, swelling of face, hives, & itching.
- * Safety of use during pregnancy has not been established. This medicine SHOULD NOT BE USED DURING PREGNANCY unless benefit justifies potential risk to the fetus. CALL YOUR DOCTOR.

* This medicine may cause increased sensitivity to the sun. You should AVOID prolonged or excessive exposure to direct and/or artificial sunlight.

* This medicine may cause drowsiness, dizziness, or blurred vision. DO NOT drive or operate machines until you know how you react to this medicine.

* Because of INTERACTIONS, report the use of any other prescription or nonprescription medicines, including natural/herbal remedies, to your doctor.

* This medicine may cause BLOOD PROBLEMS resulting in certain infections, slow healing, and gum bleeding. Be careful when toothbrushing and flossing.

* To prevent drug resistance, this medication should be used to treat BACTERIAL INFECTIONS ONLY. It is not effective against viral infections.

* DO NOT TAKE if you have ever had an ALLERGIC or an unusual REACTION to SULFA drugs.

* If DIARRHEA develops/persists and is severe or lasts more than 2 or 3 days, call your doctor.

NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS FOR DEPLETION:

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

BIOTIN FORTE; INOSITOL ORAL; LACTOBACILLUS GRANULES (LACTINEX); LACTOBACILLUS ORAL (LACTINEX); VITAMIN B1 ORAL (THIAMINE);

VITAMIN B2 ORAL(RIBOFLAVIN); VITAMIN B3 ORAL (NICOTINAMIDE); VITAMIN B6 ORAL (PYRIDOXINE); VITAMIN B12 ORAL;

VITAMIN K;

PHYTONADIONE-VIT K1 ORAL (MEPHYTON); FOLIC ACID; LACTOBACILLUS ORAL (LACTINEX).