



Oxybutynin

Information for patients

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Read this medicine fact sheet to learn about:

- What this medicine is
- Why you need to take it
- What side effects to watch for

What is the name of my medicine?

Oxybutynin (pronounced Ox – ee – bu – tin – in)

Other names for this medicine:

Canada Apo-Oxybutynin®	Gelnique®
Ditropan XL®	Mylan-Oxybutynin
Dom-Oxybutynin	Novo-Oxybutynin
Nu-Oxybutyn	Oxybutyn
Oxybutynine	PHL-Oxybutynin
PMS-Oxybutynin	Riva-Oxybutynin
Uromax®	

Why do I need to take this medicine?

- To treat an overactive bladder.
- For neurogenic bladder. This medicine decreases cramps and spasms of your bladder muscles and helps your bladder hold more urine for longer.

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How do I take this medicine?

- Take this tablet exactly as you have been told by your doctor.
- Take it with food if it upsets your stomach.
- Swallow tablet whole with a glass of water. Do not chew, break or crush the tablet.
- Drink lots of liquids with no caffeine unless you are told to drink less liquid by your doctor.

Tell your doctor if you have any allergies.

What are the side effects of this medicine?

- Skin irritation
- Headache
- Upset stomach or throwing up
- Dry mouth
- Feeling lightheaded, sleepy, having blurred eyesight, or a change in thinking clearly
- You may see the tablet shell in your stool
- Hard stools or constipation. Drink more liquids, exercise or eat foods high in fibre. Talk with your doctor about taking a stool softener or laxative.

Call your doctor right away if you notice:

- **Signs of an allergic reaction:** rash, hives, itching, red, swollen, blistered, or peeling skin with or without fever, wheezing, tightness in the chest or throat, trouble breathing or talking, or swelling of the mouth, face, lips, tongue or throat
- Very nervous and excitable
- Side effect is not better or you are feeling worse

Call your doctor or go to your local emergency room if you think there has been an overdose.

What should I do if I miss a dose?

- Take a missed dose as soon as you think about it.
- If it is close to the time for your next dose, skip the missed dose and go back to your normal time.
- Do not take 2 doses at the same time or extra doses.

Who do I talk to if I have a problem or question?

This pamphlet does not cover all of the side effects that may happen. Please contact a pharmacist or other health care professionals if you have any questions about this medicine or the side effects.

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