FUROXYL[®] 200 mg Capsules

Dear patient,

Please read the following instructions carefully. They contain important information about the use of this medicine. If you have any further questions, please ask your doctor or pharmacist.

Information about FUROXYL

Each FUROXYL capsule for oral administration contains nifuroxazide 200 mg.

Nifuroxazide, a nitrofurane derivative, is a broad-spectrum intestinal anti-infective agent. Nifuroxazide has been shown to be active against the following pathogens involved in infectious diarrhea: *Escherichia coli, Staphylococcus saprophyticus,* Streptococcus, Enterococcus, *Bacteroides, Klebsiella, Enterobacter,* and *Serratia.*

FUROXYL is indicated in the following conditions:

- Treatment of acute non-invasive diarrhea presumed to be of bacterial origin
- Treatment and prevention of travelers' diarrhea
- Adjunctive therapy for acute inflammatory colitis

The way to take FUROXYL

Take FUROXYL as directed by your doctor.

The usual recommended dose for adults is 1 capsule of 200 mg 4 times per day.

The usual recommended dose for children 6 years of age and older is 600 mg/day to 800 mg/day (3 to 4 capsules of 200 mg per day) in 2 to 4 equally divided doses.

Duration of treatment

Complete the full course of therapy as directed by your doctor. The usual duration of treatment is 7 days.

In case of overdose

In case of intake of high doses of this medication, inform your doctor.

In case of missed dose

Take the missed dose as soon as you remember unless the next intake is near. Go on taking the next scheduled dose as directed. Do not take a double dose at once.

Contraindications

This drug is contraindicated in case of history of hypersensitivity to any of the components or to other nitrofurane derivatives.

Precautions

- Inform your doctor if diarrhea persists more than 2 days or worsens, or if you have fever and/or blood in the stool.
- Fluid and electrolyte depletion often occur in patients who have severe diarrhea. In such cases, administration of appropriate fluid and electrolytes is very important. The use of this drug does not preclude the need for appropriate fluid and electrolyte therapy.
- Inform your doctor before using this medication in case of pregnancy or lactation. Lactation remains possible whenever a brief therapy with this drug is anticipated.

Associations with other medications

Please inform your doctor or pharmacist if other medicines are being taken or have been taken recently.

No drug interactions were mentioned with the concomitant use of nifuroxazide.

Adverse reactions

This drug is usually well tolerated. Allergic reactions are rarely possible.

Please inform your doctor if any side effect appears or becomes bothersome.

Storage

Store at controlled room temperature (up to 25°C), protected from light and humidity, beyond the reach of children.

The expiry date is printed on the pack; don't use this medicine after this date.

Pack Presentation

FUROXYL, nifuroxazide 200 mg, pack of 28 capsules

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