



Artemether / Lumefantrine 40 mg / 240 mg Tablets

PATIENT INFORMATION LEAFLET: INFORMATION FOR THE USER

Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start taking this medicine because it contains important information for you.

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- If you have questions about the medicine, ask your health care provider.
- This medicine has been prescribed for you only. Do not pass it on to others. It may harm them, even if their signs of illness seem to be the same as yours.
- If you get any side effects, talk to your health care provider. This includes unwanted effects not listed in this leaflet. See section 4.

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1. WHAT ARTEMETHER / LUMEFANTRINE 40 MG / 240 MG TABLET IS AND WHAT IT IS USED FOR

This medicine is an antimalarial. It is used to treat a certain type of malaria infection in adults and children who weigh either 15 kg to less than 25 kg or 35 kg and above.

Artemether / Lumefantrine 40 mg / 240 mg Tablets contains two antimalarial drugs, artemether and lumefantrine in fixed dose, which work together to kill the malaria parasite (a tiny organism that is found inside the red blood cells).

Your health care provider has found that you have malaria and so has prescribed Artemether / Lumefantrine 40 mg / 240 mg Tablets.

It is indicated only for the treatment of so called uncomplicated malarial attacks due to *Plasmodium falciparum* (a particular type of malaria parasite) against which the medicine is active.

For complete cure it is important that you complete the prescribed dose as advised by your health care provider.

2. WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE YOU TAKE ARTEMETHER / LUMEFANTRINE 40 MG / 240 MG TABLETS

Do not take Artemether / Lumefantrine 40 mg / 240 mg Tablets

- If you are allergic (hypersensitive) to artemether, lumefantrine, or any of the other ingredients of the Artemether / Lumefantrine 40 mg / 240 mg Tablets listed at the end of this leaflet.
- If you have a severe type of malaria infection that affects the brain, or any other severe complications of malaria (for example affecting the lungs or kidneys).
- If you have a heart condition, such as changes in the rhythm or rate of the heartbeat, e.g. called "prolongation of the QT interval", slow heartbeat, or severe cardiac disease.
- If any member of your family (e.g. parents, grandparents, brothers and sisters) has died suddenly due to a heart rate problem or is known to have been born with heart rate problems.
- If you are taking certain medicines (see "Taking other medicines").
- If you have low blood levels of electrolytes such as potassium or magnesium.

If any of these apply to you, **tell your health care provider before taking Artemether/Lumefantrine 40mg/240 mg Tablets.**

- If you think you may be allergic, ask your health care provider for advice.

Warnings and precautions

Talk to your health care provider **before taking** Artemether / Lumefantrine 40mg/240 mg Tablets

- If you have severe liver or kidney problems.

Take special care with Artemether / Lumefantrine 40mg/240 mg Tablets:

- If your condition worsens, or if you feel too unwell to eat and drink, contact your health care provider immediately. Your health care provider may want to perform a test called an electrocardiogram (ECG) and check the levels of electrolytes, such as potassium and magnesium in your blood before and during treatment.
- If you are taking or have taken any other medication for the treatment of malaria, talk to your health care provider, because some of these medicines must not be given together with Artemether / Lumefantrine 40mg/240mg Tablets.
- If you are infected with both, Plasmodium falciparum and Plasmodium vivax, your health care provider will give you another medicine for you to take after completing Artemether / Lumefantrine 40mg/240 mg Tablets treatment.

Other medicines and Artemether / Lumefantrine 40 mg / 240 mg Tablets

Tell your health care provider if you are taking any other medicines or have recently taken other medicines. Make sure you mention herbal medicines you might have been taking.

It is important that you tell your health care provider if you are taking or have recently taken any other

medicines, including medicines obtained without a prescription. These may affect the action of Artemether/Lumefantrine 40mg/240 mg Tablets, or Artemether/Lumefantrine 40mg/240 mg Tablets may affect their action. Side effects of either medicine may become worse and/or the medicines may become less effective.

Especially tell your health care provider if you take or have recently taken:

- Any other medicines to treat or prevent malaria
- Medicines for your heart
- Antipsychotic medicines (for treatment of abnormal condition of the mind)
- Antidepressants (medication to alleviate mood disorders)
- Antibiotics
- Antihistamines (for treatment of, e.g., allergies)
- Cisapride (a medicine for improving gastric motility)
- Medicines to treat HIV infection
- Medicines to treat hepatitis B or hepatitis C infection
- Medicines against fungal infection
- Hormonal methods of birth control (for example birth control pills or contraceptive patch)

Artemether / Lumefantrine 40 mg / 240 mg Tablets with food and drink

Artemether / Lumefantrine 40 mg / 240 mg Tablets should be taken with food or a milky drink.

Pregnancy, breast-feeding and fertility

Pregnancy

Artemether / Lumefantrine 40 mg/240 mg Tablets can be used during pregnancy.

Breast-feeding

The actives of Artemether / Lumefantrine 40mg/240 mg Tablets appear in low amounts in human milk, but at therapeutic doses no effects on the breast-fed baby are anticipated.

Artemether / Lumefantrine 40mg/240mg Tablets can be used during breast-feeding.

Fertility

There is no information on the effects of Artemether / Lumefantrine 40mg/240 mg Tablets on fertility in humans.

Driving and using machines

Artemether / Lumefantrine 40 mg / 240 mg Tablets may cause dizziness and fatigue. If you feel dizzy or fatigued while taking Artemether / Lumefantrine 40 mg / 240 mg Tablets, do not drive and do not use any tools or machines.

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3. HOW TO TAKE ARTEMETHER / LUMEFANTRINE 40 MG / 240 MG TABLETS

Always take this medicine exactly as described in this leaflet or as your health care provider has told you. Check with your health care provider if you are not sure.

Patients weighing 15 kg to less than 25 kg

One tablet Artemether/Lumefantrine 40mg/240mg Tablets should be taken twice a day for three days (total six doses).

The first dose should be followed by a second dose after 8 hours.

The following two days the doses should be taken 12 hours apart.

Patients weighing 35 kg and above

Two tablets Artemether/Lumefantrine 40mg/240mg Tablets should be taken twice a day for three days (total six doses).

The first dose should be followed by a second dose after 8 hours.

The following two days the doses should be taken 12 hours apart.

Artemether/Lumefantrine 40mg/240mg Tablets should be taken with food or a milky drink. If you are unable to tolerate food, Artemether/Lumefantrine 40mg/240mg Tablets should still be taken, but your body may take up less of the medicine.

If you vomit within 1 hour of taking the medication, you should repeat the dose.

Use in children

The score line is only there to help you break the tablet if you have difficulty swallowing it whole.

If you take more Artemether / Lumefantrine 40mg / 240mg Tablets than you should

If you take too many tablets, immediately contact your health care provider or the nearest hospital emergency department for further advice.

If you forget to take Artemether / Lumefantrine 40mg / 240mg Tablets

Try to make sure that you do not miss any dose. However, if you do forget a dose, take the missed dose as soon as you realise that you have forgotten it. Then take the next dose after the prescribed interval. **Do not take a double dose to make up for a forgotten tablet. Make sure you take all six doses of this regimen.**

If you stop taking Artemether / Lumefantrine 40mg / 240mg Tablets

You should keep taking the medicine for as long as your health care provider has ordered, even if you are feeling better. If you stop the medicine too soon, the infection may not be completely cured.

Patients weighing less than 15 kg or between 25 and 35 kg

Artemether / Lumefantrine 40mg/240mg Tablets is not for use in these patients. Other formulations containing different amounts of artemether/lumefantrine are available for these patients.

If you have any further questions on the use of this product, ask your health care provider.

4. POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS

Like all medicines, this medicine can cause side effects. Possible side effects of this medicine are listed below but they affect people differently and not everybody gets them. Like all medicines, Artemether/Lumefantrine 40mg/240mg Tablets can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them. It is important that you inform the health care provider of any change in your health.

The following side effects have been reported in adults and adolescents above 12 years of age using the recommended 6-dose regimen. A similar side effect profile was reported for children

The *most commonly* reported side effects (greater than 1 in every 10 patients treated) include palpitations, headache, dizziness, nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, decreased appetite, joint pain, muscle pain, weakness, tiredness, sleep disorders.

Commonly (greater than 1 in every 100 patients treated) reported side effects include cough, rash, itching, diarrhoea and involuntary, rhythmic, muscular contractions (clonus).

Uncommon side effects (greater than 1 in every 1000 patients treated but less than 1 in 100): alterations to the electrocardiogram (QT-prolongation), lack of voluntary coordination of muscle movements, which may present e.g. as gait disturbance, numbness (hypoesthesia), somnolence, urticaria, blood tests for liver function abnormal.

Allergic reactions and anaemia (low red blood cell count) have been reported in patients treated with Artemether/Lumefantrine 40mg/240mg Tablets. However, frequency estimates for this side effect are not available. Allergic reactions may present with rash, hives, rapid swelling of the face and throat (angioedema).

If any of the side effects gets serious, or if you notice any side effects not listed in this leaflet, please tell your health care provider as soon as possible.

Reporting of side effects

If you get any side effects, talk to your health care provider. This includes unwanted effects not listed in this leaflet. If available, you can also report side effects directly through the national reporting system. By reporting side effects you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

5. HOW TO STORE ARTEMETHER / LUMEFANTRINE 40 MG / 240 MG TABLETS

Keep this medicine out of the sight and reach of children.

Do not store above 30°C. Store in the original package in order to protect the product from light.

Do not use this medicine after the expiry date stated on the label.

Do not throw away any medicines in wastewater or household waste. Ask your health care provider how to throw away medicines you no longer use. These measures will help protect the environment.

6. CONTENTS OF THE PACK AND OTHER INFORMATION

What Artemether / Lumefantrine 40 mg / 240 mg Tablets contains

The active ingredients are: 40 mg artemether and 240 mg lumefantrine

The other ingredients are: Microcrystalline cellulose, crospovidone, sodium lauryl sulfate, colloidal silicon dioxide, purified talc and magnesium stearate.

What Artemether / Lumefantrine 40 mg / 240 mg Tablets looks like and contents of the pack

Artemether / Lumefantrine 40 mg / 240 mg Tablets is a yellow coloured, circular, flat uncoated tablet with breakline on one side.

The tablets are provided in clear PVC/PVdC-Alu blisters. Each blister card contains 6 tablets and it is packed in a carton.

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For any information about this medicinal product, please contact the Supplier.

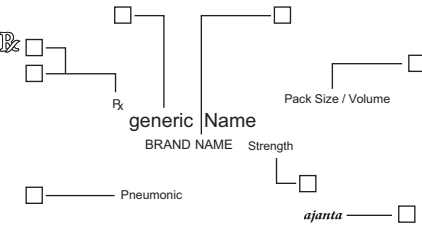
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Detailed information on this medicine is available on the World Health Organization (WHO) web site: <https://extranet.who.int/prequal>

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