

FENAGESIC CAPSULE

Mefenamic Acid (250mg)

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What Fenagesic Capsule is used for

It is used for the treatment of primary dysmenorrhea (period pain) and the relief of moderate pain when therapy will not exceed one week.

How Fenagesic Capsule Works

Fenagesic capsule contains a substance called Mefenamic acid. It belongs to a group of medicines called non steroidal anti-inflammatory agents (NSAIDs) which reduces fever, pain and inflammation.

Before you use Fenagesic Capsule

- When you must not use it

Do not use Fenagesic capsule :

- If you have allergy or hypersensitivity to Mefenamic acid or any other ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.
- If you have had asthma, rhinitis (Inflammation of the nasal mucous membrane) , urticaria (itching or hives) or the symptoms become worsen caused by Aspirin or NSAIDs.
- If you have active ulceration
- If you have chronic inflammation of either the upper or lower stomach and intestinal tract
- If you have kidney disease

- Before you start to use it

You should check with your doctor:-

- If you have heart problem or stroke
- If you have hypertension
- If you have kidney or liver problem
- If you are concomitantly taking anti-coagulant (blood thinning agent)
- If you have or have had ulceration, bleeding and perforation of the stomach and intestinal

- If you are suffering from dyspepsia (discomfort at the epigastric region due to digestion problem).
- Fenagesic capsule may cause severe skin reactions, e.g. exfoliative dermatitis, toxic epidermal necrolysis, Steven-Johnson Syndrome. Symptoms may include skin rash, blisters and peel off. These could be signs of a serious condition. If these reactions occur, stop use and seek medical assistance right away.

Please consult your doctor before start to use Fenagesic capsule if you are pregnant, plan to become pregnant, breast-feeding or intend to breast-feed. Your doctor will have weighed the risks of you taking Fenagesic capsule against the benefits they expect it will have for you.

- Taking Other Medicines

There are a few medicines which may not mix with Fenagesic capsule. It is important to tell your doctor or pharmacist about all the medicines that you are taking, including those obtained without doctor's prescription. You should talk to you doctor or pharmacist if you are on the following :

- oral anticoagulant agents, medicines used for blood thinning
- Lithium, medicine used for depression

How to use Fenagesic Capsule

- How much to use

Oral administration:

The recommended regimen in acute pain for adults and children over 14 years of age is 500mg three times daily, usually not to exceed one week. For the treatment of primary dysmenorrhea, the recommended dosage is 500mg three times daily starting with the onset of bleeding and associated symptoms. Mefenamic Acid should not be used for more than 7 days at a time.

You should consult your doctor regarding Fenagesic capsule if you are below 14 years old.

- When to use it

Refer to your doctor or pharmacist when use Fenagesic Tablet

- How long to use it

It is important to take Fenagesic capsule as long as your doctor prescribes.

- If you forget to take it

Do not take extra dose to make up for a missed dose. Just take your next dose at usual the time.

- If you use too much (overdose)

Contact your doctor immediately or go to the Emergency Department of your nearest hospital, if you think you or anyone else may have taken too much of this medicine. Do this even if there are no signs of discomfort or poisoning. You may need urgent medical attention.

Taking too many tablets may cause diarrhea, nausea with or without vomiting, abdominal pain, drowsiness, dizziness, nervousness, headache, blurred vision, convulsions, Dyskinesia (involuntary movement), kidney failure, coma and death.

While you are using it

- Things you must do

Take Fenagesic capsule exactly the way as prescribed

- Things you must not do

Do not share your medicine with others even if they have the same diagnosis as you

- Things to be careful of

Be careful driving or operating machinery until you know Fenagesic capsule affects you. If you experience any side effects, consult your doctor or pharmacist for advice.

Side Effects

Like all medicines, Fenagesic capsule can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them. Visit your doctor or pharmacist immediately if you experience any side effects after taking this medicine.

Mefenamic acid may give rise to occasional stomach and intestinal upsets or rashes. Stomach and intestinal bleeding may rarely occur. Other blood disorder such as haemolytic anaemia, agranulocytosis, pancytopenia, thrombocytopenia, thrombocytopenic purpura and bone marrow aplasia may happened. The occurrence of diarrhoea or skin rash is an indication for discontinuing treatment.

You may report any side effect or adverse drug reaction directly to the National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by calling 03-78835550, or visiting the website portal.bpfk.gov.my (Consumers→Reporting).

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Storage and Disposal of Fenagesic Capsule

- Storage

Store at temperature 25°C. Protect from light.

- Disposal

Medicines should not be disposed of via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to dispose of medicines no longer required. These measures will help to protect the environment.

Product Description

- What it looks like

Capsule: Ivory / blue, size 1 capsule.

- Ingredients

- Active Ingredients

- Mefenamic Acid

- Inactive Ingredients

- Maize Starch
- Magnesium Stearate

- MAL number

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