

METFORMIN-WGR

Metformin hydrochloride

Consumer Medicine Information

WARNING:

Life threatening lactic acidosis can occur due to accumulation of metformin. Risk factors include renal impairment, old age and the use of high doses of metformin above 2 g per day.

This leaflet provides important information about using METFORMIN-WGR. **You should also speak to your doctor or pharmacist if you would like further information or if you have any concerns or questions about using METFORMIN-WGR.**

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1. Why am I using METFORMIN-WGR?

METFORMIN-WGR contains the active ingredient metformin hydrochloride.

METFORMIN-WGR belongs to a group of medicines called biguanides. METFORMIN-WGR lowers high blood glucose (hyperglycaemia) by helping your body make better use of the insulin produced by your pancreas.

People with type 2 diabetes are unable to make enough insulin or their body does not respond properly to the insulin it does make. This causes a buildup of glucose in the blood, which can lead to serious medical problems.

METFORMIN-WGR is used to control blood glucose (the amount of sugar in the blood) in people with diabetes mellitus.

METFORMIN-WGR can be used in type 2 diabetes in adults and children over 10 years of age. It is especially useful in those who are overweight, when diet and exercise are not enough to lower high blood glucose levels (hyperglycaemia).

Long-term hyperglycaemia can lead to heart disease, blindness, kidney damage, poor blood circulation and gangrene.