

APO-Levothyroxine

Active ingredient: levothyroxine sodium

Consumer Medicine Information

This leaflet provides important information about using APO-Levothyroxine. **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 APO-Levothyroxine.**

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1. Why am I using APO-Levothyroxine?

APO-Levothyroxine contains the active ingredient levothyroxine sodium. APO-Levothyroxine is a thyroid hormone which is used as replacement therapy in the treatment of thyroid hormone deficiency. APO-Levothyroxine replaces the shortage of thyroid hormones.

APO-Levothyroxine is used to treat thyroid hormone deficiency also known as hypothyroidism.

Hypothyroidism is a disease in which the thyroid gland is underactive and does not produce enough thyroxine, a hormone,

which is important for controlling your metabolism. Symptoms of hypothyroidism include tiredness, muscle weakness and cramps; feeling the cold; a slow heart rate; dry and flaky skin; hair loss; a deep husky voice and weight gain.

APO-Levothyroxine is also used to treat TSH-responsive tumours (certain tumours of the thyroid gland) of the thyroid.

For these conditions to be treated, patients need a supply of thyroid hormones in their body.

2. What should I know before I use APO-Levothyroxine?

Warnings

Do not use APO-Levothyroxine if:

- you are allergic to levothyroxine sodium, any other thyroid hormone, or any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.