Tacrolimus XR Sandoz®

Active ingredient(s): tacrolimus monohydrate

Consumer Medicine Information

This leaflet provides important information about using Tacrolimus XR Sandoz. 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 Tacrolimus XR Sandoz.

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1. Why am I using Tacrolimus XR Sandoz?

Tacrolimus XR Sandoz contains the active ingredient tacrolimus monohydrate, which is an immunosuppressive agent.

You have been given a new transplanted liver or kidney, lung or heart from another person because your own was no longer healthy. Your body recognises that this new organ is different from your other organs and will try to reject it by attacking it in the same way that it would attack germs that enter your body. This could make you become ill again. Tacrolimus XR Sandoz stops this attack; it is very important to take Tacrolimus XR Sandoz given to you by your doctor regularly so your new liver, kidney, lung or heart will not be attacked or rejected.

If you have been taking other medicines for this purpose, but are still feeling unwell, your doctor may change your treatment and begin giving you Tacrolimus XR Sandoz.

Your doctor may have prescribed Tacrolimus XR Sandoz for another reason.

Ask your doctor if you have any questions about why this medicine has been prescribed for you.

2. What should I know before I use Tacrolimus XR Sandoz?

Warnings

Do not use Tacrolimus XR Sandoz if:

 you are allergic to any medicine containing tacrolimus, or other macrolides (these are antibiotics of the erythromycin family), or any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.