

Fentanyl Juno Injection

Active ingredient(s): fentanyl citrate

Consumer Medicine Information

WARNING:

Limitations of use

Fentanyl Juno Injection should only be used when your doctor decides that other treatment options are not able to effectively manage your pain or you cannot tolerate them.

Hazardous and harmful use

Fentanyl Juno Injection poses risks of abuse, misuse and addiction which can lead to overdose and death. Your doctor will monitor you regularly during treatment.

Life threatening breathing problems

Fentanyl Juno Injection can cause life-threatening or fatal breathing problems (slow, shallow, unusual or no breathing) even when used as recommended. These problems can occur at any time during use, but the risk is higher when first starting fentanyl and after a dose increase, if you are older, or have an existing problem with your lungs. Your doctor will monitor you and change the dose as appropriate.

Use of other medicines while using fentanyl

Using fentanyl with other medicines that can make you feel drowsy such as sleeping tablets (e.g. benzodiazepines), other pain relievers, antihistamines, antidepressants, antipsychotics, gabapentinoids (e.g. gabapentin and pregabalin), cannabis and alcohol may result in severe drowsiness, decreased awareness, breathing problems, coma and death. Your doctor will minimise the dose and duration of use; and monitor you for signs and symptoms of breathing difficulties and sedation. You must not drink alcohol while using fentanyl.

This leaflet provides important information about using Fentanyl Juno Injection. **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 Fentanyl Juno Injection.**

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1. Why am I being treated with Fentanyl Juno Injection?

Fentanyl Juno Injection contains the active ingredient fentanyl citrate. Fentanyl Juno Injection is a short-term pain reliever that belongs to a group of medicines called opioid analgesics. Fentanyl acts in the brain and spinal cord. It works quickly to reduce pain and its effects wear off quickly.

Fentanyl may be used alone but is usually used in hospital with other anaesthetics or with a sedative such as droperidol before an operation to provide an anaesthetic effect and during an operation to help continue the anaesthesia.

Your doctor may have prescribed it for another reason.

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