

ARX-Methotrexate

Active ingredient(s): methotrexate

Consumer Medicine Information

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

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1. Why am I taking ARX-Methotrexate?

ARX-Methotrexate contains the active ingredient methotrexate.

ARX-Methotrexate is an antineoplastic or cytotoxic medicine. It may also be called a chemotherapy medicine.

ARX-Methotrexate is used to treat certain types of cancers. It may also be used in severe psoriasis or rheumatoid arthritis when the condition does not improve with other medicines.

The medicine works by blocking an enzyme needed by the body's cells to live. This interferes with the

growth of some cells that are growing rapidly in psoriasis and cancer. In rheumatoid arthritis, this medicine reduces the overactivity of the immune system leading to less pain, swelling and damage to the joints.

2. What should I know before I take ARX-Methotrexate?

Warnings

Do not take ARX-Methotrexate if:

1. you are allergic to methotrexate, or any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet. Always check the ingredients to make sure you can take this medicine.
2. you are pregnant.
3. you are breastfeeding.
4. you have severe kidney problems.
5. you have severe liver problems.
6. are an alcoholic.
7. you have lowered immunity due to diseases or due to other treatments.
8. have bone marrow disease.