

APO-SODIUM VALPROATE

Active ingredient: SODIUM VALPROATE

Consumer Medicine Information

This leaflet provides important information about using APO-SODIUM VALPROATE. **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-SODIUM VALPROATE.**

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1. Why am I using APO-SODIUM VALPROATE?

APO-SODIUM VALPROATE contains the active ingredient Sodium Valproate. APO-SODIUM VALPROATE belongs to a group of medicines called anticonvulsants.

APO-SODIUM VALPROATE is used to treat epilepsy in adults and children.

Epilepsy is a condition where you have repeated seizures (fits). There are many different types of seizures, ranging from mild to severe. These medicines are thought to work by controlling brain chemicals which

send signals to nerves so that seizures do not happen.

APO-SODIUM VALPROATE may also be used to control mania, a mental condition with episodes of overactivity, elation or irritability. APO-SODIUM VALPROATE may be used alone or in combination with other medicines to treat your condition. Your doctor, however, may have prescribed APO-SODIUM VALPROATE for another reason.

There is no evidence that APO-SODIUM VALPROATE is addictive.

2. What should I know before I use SODIUM VALPROATE-DWRN?

Warnings

Do not use APO-SODIUM VALPROATE if:

- you are allergic to SODIUM VALPROATE, or any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.
- Always check the ingredients to make sure you can use this medicine.
- you have or have had any of the following medical conditions:
 - liver disease (hepatic dysfunction) or severe hepatitis.
 - a family history of hepatitis, especially when caused by medicines. Medicines used in the treatment of epilepsy, including APO-SODIUM VALPROATE may have adverse effects on the liver and the kidneys