

ROCURONIUM BAXTER

Active ingredient(s): rocuronium bromide

Consumer Medicine Information

This leaflet provides important information about using ROCURONIUM BAXTER. **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 ROCURONIUM BAXTER.**

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1. Why am I using ROCURONIUM BAXTER?

ROCURONIUM BAXTER contains the active ingredient rocuronium bromide. ROCURONIUM BAXTER is one of a group of medicines called muscle relaxants.

Muscle relaxants are used during an operation as part of the general anaesthetic. When you have an operation, your muscles must be completely relaxed. This makes it easier for the surgeon to perform the operation.

Normally the nerves send messages to the muscles by impulses. ROCURONIUM BAXTER acts by blocking these impulses so the muscles are relaxed. Because the muscles needed for breathing also become relaxed you will need help with your breathing (artificial respiration) during and after your operation until you can breathe on your own.

During the operation the effect of the muscle relaxant is constantly checked and if necessary some more drug is given. At the end of the operation the effects of ROCURONIUM BAXTER are allowed to wear off and you can start breathing on your own. Sometimes another drug is given to help speed this up. ROCURONIUM BAXTER can also be used in Intensive Care to keep your muscles relaxed.

2. What should I know before I use ROCURONIUM BAXTER?

Warnings

Do not use ROCURONIUM BAXTER if:

- you are allergic to rocuronium bromide, or any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.