

MODAFINIL VIATRIS

Active ingredient(s): [modafinil]

Consumer Medicine Information

This leaflet provides important information about using MODAFINIL VIATRIS. **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 MODAFINIL VIATRIS.**

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1. Why am I using MODAFINIL VIATRIS?

MODAFINIL VIATRIS contains the active ingredient modafinil.

MODAFINIL VIATRIS is used to improve wakefulness in people with excessive daytime sleepiness associated with the medical condition known as narcolepsy or with Obstructive Sleep Apnoea/Hypopnoea Syndrome (OSAHS), or Shift Work Sleep disorder (SWSD).

In narcolepsy, there is a sudden and irresistible tendency to fall asleep during normal waking hours. This happens at unpredictable times, even when it is inappropriate or may be unsafe to do so. MODAFINIL VIATRIS decreases this unwanted excessive daytime sleepiness.

With OSAHS, daytime sleepiness may occur due to an interrupted nighttime sleep. MODAFINIL VIATRIS only treats the symptom of sleepiness and does not treat the cause of OSAHS. Whilst taking MODAFINIL VIATRIS you should continue with treatments intended to help manage your underlying medical condition, such as Continuous Positive Airway Pressure, unless your doctor tells you otherwise.

If you have been diagnosed with moderate to severe chronic Shift Work Sleep Disorder (SWSD) and non-drug therapies have been unsuitable or unsuccessful, MODAFINIL VIATRIS may be prescribed to keep you awake during your work shift.

Precisely how MODAFINIL VIATRIS works is not known, but it is known that it acts on the central nervous system (the brain). It differs from other stimulant medicines that promote wakefulness. MODAFINIL VIATRIS increases wakefulness. Unlike other stimulants it does not overstimulate or produce a “high” feeling.