

# ARX-Dabigatran

Active ingredient: dabigatran etexilate (as mesilate)

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## Consumer Medicine Information

This leaflet provides important information about using ARX-Dabigatran. **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 ARX-Dabigatran.**

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### 1. Why am I using ARX-Dabigatran?

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ARX-Dabigatran contains the active ingredient dabigatran etexilate (as dabigatran etexilate mesilate). ARX-Dabigatran belongs to a group of medicines called anticoagulant. Some people refer to anticoagulant medicines as "blood thinners". Dabigatran works by inhibiting a specific protein in the blood, called thrombin. Thrombin contributes to the formation of blood clots. Dabigatran prevents the formation of blood clots.

**ARX-Dabigatran is used for one of the following:**

- to prevent the formation of blood clots in the veins after knee or hip replacement surgery in adults
- to reduce the risk of brain (stroke) and/or other body vessel obstruction by blood clot formation in adults with an abnormal heart beat rhythm called nonvalvular atrial fibrillation
- to treat blood clots in the veins of your legs and lungs and to prevent blood clots from re-occurring in the veins of your legs and/or lungs.

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

Your doctor may have prescribed it for another reason.

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### 2. What should I know before I use ARX-Dabigatran?

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#### *Warnings*

**Do not use ARX-Dabigatran if:**

- you are allergic to dabigatran etexilate, or any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet. Always