

PACKAGE LEAFLET: INFORMATION FOR THE USER

Capecitabine Waverley 150mg film-coated tablets
Capecitabine

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- if you have severe liver or kidney problems,
- if you know that you do not have any activity of the enzyme dihydropyrimidine dehydrogenase (DPD) (complete DPD deficiency)
- if you are being treated now or have been treated in the last 4 weeks with brivudine, sorivudine or similar classes of substance as part of herpes zoster (chickenpox or shingles) therapy.

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- blood-thinning medicines (coumarin, warfarin),
- certain anti-viral medicines (sorivudine and brivudine),
- medicines for seizures or tremors (phenytoin),
- interferon alpha ,
- radiotherapy and certain medicines used to treat cancer (folinic acid, oxaliplatin, bevacizumab, cisplatin, irinotecan),
- medicines used to treat folic acid deficiency.

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You might get the following side effects if you take a lot more capecitabine than you should: feeling or being sick, diarrhoea, inflammation or ulceration of the gut or mouth, pain or bleeding from the intestine or stomach, or bone marrow depression (reduction in certain kinds of blood cells). Tell your doctor immediately if you experience any of these symptoms.

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There are no side effects caused by stopping treatment with capecitabine. In case you are using coumarin anticoagulants (containing e.g. phenprocoumon), stopping capecitabine might require that your doctor adjusts your anticoagulant dose.

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4. Possible side effects

Like all medicines, this medicine can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

STOP taking Capecitabine Waverley immediately and contact your doctor if any of these symptoms occur:

- **Diarrhoea:** if you have an increase of 4 or more bowel movements compared to your normal bowel movements each day or any diarrhoea at night.
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- Fever:** if you have a temperature of 38°C or greater.
- Infection:** if you experience signs of infection caused by bacteria or virus, or other organisms.
- Chest pain:** if you experience pain localised to the centre of the chest, especially if it occurs during exercise.
- Stevens-Johnson syndrome and toxic epidermal necrolysis:** if you experience a painful red or purplish rash that spreads and blisters and/or other lesions begin to appear in the mucous membranes (e.g. mouth and lips), in particular if this follows pain in the eyes on exposure to light, infections of the respiratory system (e.g. bronchitis) and/or a high temperature.

If caught early, most of these side effects usually improve within 2 to 3 days after treatment discontinuation. If these side effects continue, however, contact your doctor immediately. Your doctor may instruct you to restart treatment at a lower dose.

If severe stomatitis (sores in your mouth and/or throat), mucosal inflammation, diarrhoea, neutropenia (increased risk for infections), or neurotoxicity occurs during the first cycle of treatment a DPD deficiency may be involved (please see Section 2: Warning and precautions).

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If you develop symptoms that suggest the very serious condition of Stevens-Johnson syndrome, this is a medical emergency and you must receive hospital treatment without delay. It is also important that Capecitabine is stopped and not reintroduced even if the symptoms subside.

In addition to the above, when Capecitabine Waverley is used alone, very common side effects, which may affect more than 1 in 10 people are:

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- rash, dry or itchy skin
- tiredness
- loss of appetite (anorexia)

These side effects can become severe; therefore, it is important that you always contact your doctor immediately when you start to experience a side effect. Your doctor may instruct you to decrease the dose and/or temporarily discontinue treatment with Capecitabine Waverley. This will help reduce the likelihood that the side effect continues or becomes severe.

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Common side effects (may affect up to 1 in 10 people) include:

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- dehydration, weight loss
- sleeplessness (insomnia), depression
- headache, sleepiness, dizziness, abnormal sensation in the skin (numbness or tingling sensation), taste changes
- eye irritation, increased tears, eye redness (conjunctivitis)
- inflammation of the veins (thrombophlebitis),
- shortness of breath, nose bleeds, cough, runny nose
- cold sores or other herpes infections
- infections of the lungs or respiratory system (e.g. pneumonia or bronchitis)
- bleeding from the gut, constipation, pain in upper abdomen, indigestion, excess wind, dry mouth
- skin rash, hair loss (alopecia), skin reddening, dry skin, itching (pruritus), skin discolouration, skin loss, skin inflammation, nail disorder
- pain in the joints, or in the limbs (extremities), chest or back
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- problems with liver function (seen in blood tests) and increased blood bilirubin (excreted by the liver)

Uncommon side effects (may affect up to 1 in 100 people) include:

- blood infection, urinary tract infection, infection of the skin, infections in the nose and throat, fungal infections (including those of the mouth), influenza, gastroenteritis, tooth abscess,
- lumps under the skin (lipoma)
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- blurred or double vision
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- blood clots in the deep veins, high or low blood pressure, hot flushes, cold limbs (extremities), purple spots on the skin
- blood clots in the veins in the lung (pulmonary embolism), collapsed lung, coughing up blood, asthma, shortness of breath on exertion
- bowel obstruction, collection of fluid in the abdomen, inflammation of the small or large intestine, the stomach or the oesophagus, pain in the lower abdomen, abdominal discomfort, heartburn (reflux of food from the stomach), blood in the stool
- jaundice (yellowing of skin and eyes)
- skin ulcer and blister, reaction of the skin with sunlight, reddening of palms, swelling or pain of the face
- joint swelling or stiffness, bone pain, muscle weakness or stiffness
- fluid collection in the kidneys, increased frequency of urination during the night, incontinence, blood in the urine, increase in blood creatinine (sign of kidney dysfunction)
- unusual bleeding from the vagina
- swelling (oedema), chills and rigors

Some of these side effects are more common when capecitabine is used with other medicines for the treatment of cancer. Other side-effects seen in this setting are the following:

Common side effects (may affect up to 1 in 10 people) include:

- decrease in blood sodium, magnesium or calcium, increase in blood sugar
- nerve pain
- ringing or buzzing in the ears (tinnitus), loss of hearing
- vein inflammation
- hiccups, change in voice
- pain or altered/abnormal sensation in the mouth, pain in the jaw
- sweating, night sweats
- muscle spasm
- difficulty in urination, blood or protein in the urine

bruising or reaction at the injection site (caused by medicines given by injection at the same time)

Rare side effects (may affect up to 1 in 1,000 people) include:

- narrowing or blockage of tear duct (lacrimal duct stenosis)
- liver failure
- inflammation leading to dysfunction or obstruction in bile secretion (cholestatic hepatitis)
- specific changes in the electrocardiogram (QT prolongation)
- certain types of arrhythmia (including ventricular fibrillation, torsade de pointes, and bradycardia)
- eye inflammation causing eye pain and possibly eyesight problems
- inflammation of the skin causing red scaly patches due to an immune system illness

Very rare side effects (may affect up to 1 in 10,000 people) include:

- severe skin reaction such as skin rash, ulceration and blistering which may involve ulcers of the mouth, nose, genitalia, hands, feet and eyes (red and swollen eyes)

Reporting of side effects

If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor or pharmacist or nurse. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. You can also report side effects directly (see details below). By reporting side effects you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine

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Yellow Card Scheme Website: www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard

5. How to store Capecitabine Waverley

Keep this medicine out of the sight and reach of children.

Do not store above 30°C.

Do not use this medicine after the expiry date which is stated on the outer carton and blister after EXP. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month.

Do not throw away any medicines via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to throw away medicines you no longer use. These measures will help protect the environment.

6. Contents of the pack and other information

What Capecitabine Waverley contains

- The active substance is capecitabine.
- Capecitabine Waverley 150 mg film coated tablets
- Each tablet contains 150 mg Capecitabine
- The other ingredients are:
 - Tablet core: anhydrous lactose, croscarmellose sodium, hypromellose, microcrystalline cellulose, magnesium stearate.
 - Tablet coating: hypromellose, titanium dioxide (E171), macrogol/PEG, yellow and red iron oxide (E172), talc.

What Capecitabine Waverley looks like and contents of the pack

Capecitabine Waverley 150 mg film coated tablets
Light peach colored film-coated, biconvex, oblong tablets having plain surface on both sides.
Each pack contains 60 film-coated tablets (6 blisters of 10 tablets).

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Detailed information on this medicine is available on the European Medicines Agency web site: <http://www.ema.europa.eu>.



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- unusual bleeding from the vagina
- swelling (oedema), chills and rigors

Some of these side effects are more common when capecitabine is used with other medicines for the treatment of cancer. Other side-effects seen in this setting are the following:

Common side effects (may affect up to 1 in 10 people) include:

- decrease in blood sodium, magnesium or calcium, increase in blood sugar
- nerve pain
- ringing or buzzing in the ears (tinnitus), loss of hearing
- vein inflammation
- hiccups, change in voice
- pain or altered/abnormal sensation in the mouth, pain in the jaw
- sweating, night sweats
- muscle spasm
- difficulty in urination, blood or protein in the urine
- bruising or reaction at the injection site (caused by medicines given by injection at the same time)

Rare side effects (may affect up to 1 in 1,000 people) include:

- narrowing or blockage of tear duct (lacrimal duct stenosis)
- liver failure
- inflammation leading to dysfunction or obstruction in bile secretion (cholestatic hepatitis)
- specific changes in the electrocardiogram (QT prolongation)
- certain types of arrhythmia (including ventricular fibrillation, torsade de pointes, and bradycardia)
- eye inflammation causing eye pain and possibly eyesight problems
- inflammation of the skin causing red scaly patches due to an immune system illness

Very rare side effects (may affect up to 1 in 10,000 people) include:

- severe skin reaction such as skin rash, ulceration and blistering which may involve ulcers of the mouth, nose, genitalia, hands, feet and eyes (red and swollen eyes)

Reporting of side effects :

If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor or pharmacist or nurse. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. You can also report side effects directly (see details below). By reporting side effects you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

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Yellow Card Scheme

Website: www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard

5. How to store Capecitabine Waverley

Keep this medicine out of the sight and reach of children.

Do not store above 30°C.

Do not use this medicine after the expiry date which is stated on the outer carton and blister after EXP. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month.

Do not throw away any medicines via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to throw away medicines you no longer use. These measures will help protect the environment.

6. Contents of the pack and other information

What Capecitabine Waverley contains

- The active substance is capecitabine
Capecitabine Waverley 500 mg film coated tablets
Each tablet contains 500 mg Capecitabine
- The other ingredients are:
 - Tablet core: anhydrous lactose, croscarmellose sodium, hypromellose, microcrystalline cellulose, magnesium stearate.
 - Tablet coating: hypromellose, titanium dioxide (E171), macrogol/PEG, yellow and red iron oxide (E172), talc.

What Capecitabine Waverley tablets looks like and contents of the pack

Capecitabine Waverley 500 mg film coated tablets

Peach colored film-coated, biconvex, oblong tablets having plain surface on both sides.

Each pack contains 120 film-coated tablets (12 blisters of 10 tablets).

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Detailed information on this medicine is available on the European Medicines Agency web site: <http://www.ema.europa.eu>.



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