

Levofloxacin

Patient information sheet



Why you are taking the medication:

Levofloxacin is used alone or with other drugs to treat tuberculosis and to prevent people from getting sick if they have had contact with tuberculosis bacteria

Let your health care provider know right away if you have any of the following issues:

- Pain, swelling, or tearing of the tendon (such as the back of your ankle, calves or elbow), or muscle or joint pain
- Rashes or hives
- Bruising or blistering
- Trouble breathing or tightness in your chest
- Diarrhea
- Yellow skin or eyes
- Anxiety, confusion, or dizziness

Instructions for taking medication:

- Do not take this medication within two hours of ingestion of milk-based products, antacids or taking iron, magnesium, calcium, zinc, vitamins, didanosine, sucralfate
- Avoid caffeinated foods and beverages
- You may take this medication with food
- Drink plenty of beverages
- May cause sun sensitivity; use sun screen

Contact information for your health department:

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