

Pyrazinamide (PZA)

Patient information sheet



Why you are taking the medication:

Pyrazinamide (PZA) is used with other medicines to treat tuberculosis

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

- Skin rash, severe itching, or hives
- Pain or swelling in the joints
- Yellowing of the skin or eyes or dark urine
- Nausea or vomiting
- Unusual tiredness or loss of appetite

Instructions for taking medication:

- May be taken with or without food
- This medicine may cause a rash after sun exposure: limit your sun exposure
- As with all medications, it is important to take the full course of the medicine, even if you begin to feel better
- Be sure to tell your healthcare provider about ANY other medications you may take, even over the counter medication. If you are diabetic, check with your doctor before changing your diet or dose of medication for diabetes. PZA may cause false positive results with urine ketone test

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