

Package leaflet: Information for the user

Nexag 1000 mg, coated granules in sachet

Tranexamic acid

Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start taking this medicine because it contains important information for you.

Always take this medicine exactly as described in this leaflet or as your doctor or pharmacist has told you.

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- Ask your pharmacist if you need more information or advice.
- If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor or pharmacist. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. See section 4.
- You must talk to a doctor if you do not feel better or if you feel worse.
- If effect (decreased bleeding) has not occurred after the first day, stop treatment and discuss with your doctor.

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1. What Nexag is and what it is used for

Nexag is used for the reduction of heavy menstrual bleeding and should only be used when your periods are regular, 21 to 35 days with no more than 3 days individual variability in duration, and you are above 15 years old.

It contains tranexamic acid, which prevents the enzyme which dissolves blood clots to act. This causes less blood loss and quicker cure rate.

2. What you need to know before you take Nexag

Please note that Nexag should only be used if your periods are regular and heavy. To be sure, you should answer yes to both the following questions:

1. Are your periods regular, i.e. your menstrual cycle is between 21 to 35 days long (with no more than 3 days individual variability in duration)?
2. Do you need to use double sanitary protection, towels plus tampons or double towels to prevent bleeding through, alternatively change sanitary protection very often?

Do not take Nexag

- if you are treated for blood clot e.g. in legs, lungs or brain
- if you have reduced kidney function
- if you have a history of convulsions (seizures or fits)
- if you are taking a combined hormonal contraceptive ("the pill", vaginal ring or patch)
- if you are allergic to tranexamic acid or any of the other ingredients of this medicine (listed in section 6).

Warnings and precautions

Talk to your doctor before taking Nexag if you have any of the followings:

- Your periods are irregular
- You have ever had a blood clot and your parents and/or brothers or sisters have had a blood clot
- You have had blood in your urine in between your periods
- You have reduced kidney function.

If heavy bleeding occurs during use of combined hormonal contraceptives ("the pill", vaginal ring or patch), you should not start tranexamic acid, but consult your Healthcare professional.

Heavy menstrual bleedings can occur due to diseases in the womb such as myoma or polyps.

If they are taken care of, the heavy menstrual bleeding decreases. If anything is unclear, you should ask your gynaecologist.

Continued gynaecological health controls are recommended.

Children and adolescents

Clinical experience with Nexag in menorrhagic children under 15 years of age is not available.

Other medicines and Nexag

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking, have recently taken or might take any other medicines.

If Nexag is taken at the same time as anticoagulants, it could potentially affect the way that Nexag or the anticoagulants work.

Pregnancy and breast-feeding

Nexag is indicated for regular heavy menstrual bleedings and is not intended for use during pregnancy.

Impact of breastfeeding for the child seems unlikely at therapeutic doses. Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice if you are breastfeeding.

Driving and using machines

Side effects that can affect the ability to drive and use machines have been reported. If you feel dizzy or have problems with your eyesight, you should not drive or use machines until the symptoms have passed.

Nexag contains sucrose.

If you have been told by your doctor that you have an intolerance to some sugars, contact your doctor before taking this medicinal product.

3. How to take Nexag

Always take this medicine exactly as described in this leaflet or as your doctor or pharmacist has told you. Check with your pharmacist if you are not sure.

Coated granules can be swallowed with a glass of water.

Treatment should start when your period has started. The recommended dose for adults and adolescents from 15 years is 1 sachet 3 times daily as long as needed, for a maximum of 4 days.

The dosage can be increased if the bleedings are very heavy. Do not use more than 4 sachets per day (1 sachet every 6 to 8 hours). Your doctor may prescribe a different dose. If effect (decreased bleeding) has not occurred after the first day, stop treatment and discuss with your doctor.

If you take more Nexag than you should

If you have taken more Nexag than you should, or if children have been taking medicine by accident, contact your doctor or hospital to get an opinion of the risk and advice on action to be taken.

Signs of an overdose may include dizziness, headache, nausea, diarrhoea, low blood pressure, myopathy and convulsions. It may include increased risk of thrombosis if you are predisposed.

If you forget to take Nexag

Do not take a double dose to make up for a forgotten dose.

4. Possible side effects

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

Common (may affect up to 1 in 10 patients):

Nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, stomach pain, headache, dizziness. These side effects are often mild and transient.

Uncommon (may affect up to 1 in 100 patients):
Allergic skin reactions.

Not known (frequency cannot be estimated from the available data): Rare cases of blood clots, changes in colour vision and other problems with the eyesight, convulsions.

If Nexag does not have sufficient effect or if you do not tolerate Nexag, there are other methods to treat heavy menstrual bleedings. Contact your gynaecologist who can give information about those methods.

Reporting of side effects

If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor or pharmacist. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. You can also report side effects directly via the national reporting system [to be completed nationally]. By reporting side effects you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

5. How to store Nexag

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

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

This medicine does not require any special storage conditions.

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 Nexag contains

- The active substance is tranexamic acid. Each sachet contains 1000 mg of tranexamic acid.
- The other ingredients are : Sugar spheres (sucrose, maize starch), Povidone K30 (E1201), Sucralose (E955), Silica colloidal anhydrous (E551), Polyacrylate dispersion 30 per cent, Talc (E553B).

What Nexag looks like and contents of the pack

Coated granules in sachet (LDPE / Aluminium / LDPE / Paper).

White to off-white coated granules.

Box of 12 sachets.

Marketing Authorisation Holder and Manufacturer

[to be completed nationally]

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