

## PATIENT INFORMATION LEAFLET: INFORMATION FOR THE USER

### DISPRIN

#### Aspirin

Read all of this leaflet carefully because it contains important information for you.

This medicine is available without prescription. However, you still need to take it carefully to get the best results from it.

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- Ask your pharmacist if you need more information or advice.
- If symptoms persist or worsen consult your doctor.
- If any of the side effects get serious, or if you notice any side effects not listed in this leaflet, please tell your doctor or pharmacist.

#### In this Leaflet:

1. What Disprin is and what it is used for
2. What you need to know before you take Disprin
3. How to take Disprin
4. Possible side effects
5. How to store Disprin
6. Contents of the pack and other information



#### 1. What is Disprin and what it is used for

The active ingredient which makes Disprin work is aspirin.

Aspirin provides relief by changing the body's response to pain, swelling and fever.

Disprin can be used for the relief of:

- \* headache
- \* symptoms of cold and flu
- \* fever
- \* period pain
- \* sore throat
- \* sciatica and neuralgia
- \* migraine
- \* lumbago & rheumatic pain
- \* toothache

#### 2. What you need to know before you take Disprin

**There is a possible association between aspirin and Reye's syndrome when given to children. Reye's syndrome is a very rare disease, which can be fatal. For this reason aspirin should not be given to children aged under 16 years, unless on the advice of a doctor.**

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#### Do not take Disprin if

- you suffer from haemophilia
- you have or have had a stomach ulcer
- you are under 16 (unless advised by your doctor).
- you are allergic to peanut or soya

#### Warnings and precautions

##### Speak to your doctor or pharmacist before taking Disprin if

- you are allergic to aspirin or any of the other ingredients (see section 6)
- you suffer from asthma.

##### Other medicines and Disprin

The effect of treatment may be influenced if Disprin is taken together with medicines such as:

- anticoagulants (which thin the blood)
- uricosurics (which promote the elimination of uric acid, e.g. medicines for gout)
- medicine for high blood pressure
- medicine for organ rejection after transplantation
- medicine for cancer or rheumatoid arthritis
- ibuprofen (pain killer).

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- Metamizole (substance to decrease pain and fever) may reduce the effect of acetylsalicylic acid on platelet aggregation (blood cells sticking together and forming a blood clot), when taken concomitantly. Therefore, this combination should be used with caution in patients taking low dose aspirin for cardioprotection.

**Always speak to a pharmacist or doctor before taking aspirin with another medicine.**

#### Pregnancy and breast feeding:

Ask your doctor for advice before taking any medicine.

**Do not take Disprin if you are in the last 3 months of your pregnancy or if you are breastfeeding**

#### Important information on the ingredients of Disprin

Disprin contains less than 1 mmol sodium (23 mg) per dose, that is to say essentially 'sodium free'. Disprin contains soy protein. If you are allergic to peanut or soya, do not use this medicinal product.

#### 3. How to take Disprin

Dissolve the tablets in water before taking.

Adults, the elderly, children over 16: 2 to 3 tablets.

Repeat the dose every 4 hours if needed, **but do not exceed 13 tablets in 24 hours.**

Do not exceed the stated dose. If symptoms persist consult your doctor.

#### If you take more Disprin than you should:

If you start feeling sick or experience symptoms such as deafness, ringing in your ears, dizziness, abnormal sweating, warm hand and feet with racing pulse, an increased breathing rate, dehydration, you should seek immediate medical advice.

#### 4. Possible side effects

After taking this product you may experience side effects such as:

- Signs of allergic reaction: asthma attack, breathing difficulties, skin rashes
- Signs of intestinal bleeding: vomiting blood or particles looking like coffee grounds, passing black tarry or bright red stools

**If you experience any side effect, stop taking the medicine and seek medical help immediately.**

#### 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 Yellow Card Scheme at: [www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard](http://www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard) or search for MHRA Yellow Card in the Google Play or Apple App Store.

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#### 5. How to store Disprin

- Store below 25°C in a dry place.
- 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.
- Medicines should not be disposed of via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to dispose of medicines no longer required. These measures will help to protect the environment.

#### 6. Further information

##### What Disprin contains:

- **The active substance is aspirin.** Each dispersible tablet contains **300 mg of aspirin.**
- The other ingredients are calcium carbonate, maize starch, citric acid, talc, sodium lauryl sulphate, saccharin, crospovidone and lime flavour.
- Disprin tablets are white to off-white tablets. They are available in blister packs containing 16 or 32 tablets. The pack of 32 tablets is a pharmacy only medicine.

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