

PATIENT INFORMATION LEAFLET

SCHEDULING STATUS

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FOSFOMYCIN ADCO, 3 g, granules

Fosfomicin trometamol

Contains sugar (sucrose): 2,213 g per sachet.

Contains sweetener (saccharin): 0,016 g per sachet.

Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start taking FOSFOMYCIN ADCO

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- If you have further questions, please ask your doctor, pharmacist, nurse or other health care provider.
- FOSFOMYCIN ADCO has been prescribed for you personally and you should not share your medicine with other people. It may harm them, even if their symptoms are the same as yours.

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1. What FOSFOMYCIN ADCO is and what it is used for

FOSFOMYCIN ADCO is a broad-spectrum bactericidal antibiotic.

FOSFOMYCIN ADCO is used to treat urinary tract infections such as bladder infections in women

and female children over the age of five years.

FOSFOMYCIN ADCO is used to prevent infections in men receiving urinary surgical procedures.

2. What you need to know before you take FOSFOMYCIN ADCO

Do not take FOSFOMYCIN ADCO:

- if you are hypersensitive (allergic) to fosfomycin trometamol or any of the other ingredients of FOSFOMYCIN ADCO (listed in section 6).
- if you have kidney disease: The effects of fosfomycin may be increased because of slower removal from the body.

Warnings and precautions

Take special care with FOSFOMYCIN ADCO:

Children

Safety and efficacy in children under the age of five years has not yet been established.

Other medicines and FOSFOMYCIN ADCO

Always tell your health care provider if you are taking any other medicine. (This includes all complementary or traditional medicines.)

Tell your doctor if you are taking metoclopramide (used to treat nausea (feeling sick) and vomiting (being sick)).

FOSFOMYCIN ADCO with food and drink

FOSFOMYCIN ADCO should be taken at least two hours prior to your next meal. Food delays and reduces absorption of FOSFOMYCIN ADCO.

Pregnancy and breastfeeding

If you are pregnant or breastfeeding, think you may be pregnant or are planning to have a baby, please consult your doctor, pharmacist or other health care provider for advice before taking FOSFOMYCIN ADCO. Do not take FOSFOMYCIN ADCO during pregnancy or breastfeeding.

Driving and using machines:

FOSFOMYCIN ADCO may cause dizziness which can affect your ability to drive a vehicle and use machines. It is not always possible to predict to what extent FOSFOMYCIN ADCO may interfere with your daily activities. Do not engage in the above activities until you know how FOSFOMYCIN ADCO affects you.

FOSFOMYCIN ADCO contains sucrose

If you have been told by your doctor that you have an intolerance to some sugars, contact your doctor before taking FOSFOMYCIN ADCO.

3. How to take FOSFOMYCIN ADCO

Do not share medicines prescribed for you with any other person. Always take FOSFOMYCIN ADCO exactly as your doctor or pharmacist has told you. Check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure.

The usual dose for uncomplicated urinary tract infections in women, including the elderly up to seventy-five years, is a single 3 g dose.

The recommended dose to prevent a bacterial infection before a urinary surgical procedure in adult men, including the elderly, is two doses of 3 g. The first dose should be taken three hours before surgery. The second dose should be taken twenty-four hours after surgery.

Dissolve FOSFOMYCIN ADCO in water and drink it as soon as it has been dissolved. Take FOSFOMYCIN ADCO at least two hours before your next meal.

If you have the impression that the effect of FOSFOMYCIN ADCO is too strong or too weak, tell your doctor or pharmacist.

If you take more FOSFOMYCIN ADCO than you should

In the event of overdosage, consult your doctor or pharmacist. If neither is available, contact the nearest hospital or poison centre.

4. Possible side effects

FOSFOMYCIN ADCO can have side effects.

Not all side effects reported for FOSFOMYCIN ADCO are included in this leaflet. Should your general health worsen or if you experience any untoward effects while taking FOSFOMYCIN ADCO, please consult your health care provider for advice.

If any of the following happens, tell your doctor immediately or go to the casualty department at your nearest hospital:

- swelling of the hands, feet, ankles, face, lips and mouth or throat, which may cause difficulty in swallowing or breathing,
- rash or itching,
- fainting.

These are all very serious side effects. If you have them, you may have had a serious reaction to FOSFOMYCIN ADCO. You may need urgent medical attention or hospitalisation.

Tell your doctor if you notice any of the following:

- headache, dizziness,
- sore throat, runny or stuff nose,
- diarrhoea, nausea (feeling sick),
- stomach pain, heartburn,
- skin rash,
- back pain,
- vaginal discharge,
- painful periods (menstruation)
- pain, weakness.

If you notice any side effects not mentioned in this leaflet, please inform your doctor or pharmacist.

Reporting of side effects

If you get side effects, talk to your doctor, pharmacist or nurse. You can also report side effects to SAHPRA via the **6.04 Adverse Drug Reaction Reporting Form**, found online under SAHPRA's publications: <https://www.sahpra.org.za/Publications/Index/8>. By reporting side effects, you can help provide more information on the safety of FOSFOMYCIN ADCO.

5. How to store FOSFOMYCIN ADCO

- Store at or below 30 °C.
- Store in the original packaging until required for use.
- Store all medicines out of reach of children.

6. Contents of the pack and other information

What FOSFOMYCIN ADCO contains

The active substance is fosfomycin trometamol equivalent to fosfomycin.

The other ingredients are mandarin flavour, orange flavour, saccharin and sucrose.

What FOSFOMYCIN ADCO looks like and contents of the pack

White granular powder with a characteristic mandarin flavour.

Printed cardboard carton containing one paper-polyethylene-aluminium-polyethylene laminated sachet.

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