

DHNP HYDROXYUREA CAPSULE®

Hydroxyurea (500mg)

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What DHNP Hydroxyurea is used for

DHNP Hydroxyurea is used to treat various types of cancers such as leukemia and cancer of the ovary.

How DHNP Hydroxyurea works

DHNP Hydroxyurea, an anti-cancer medicine. It acts by interfering with the growth of cancer cells

Before you use DHNP Hydroxyurea

- When you must not use it

Do not take DHNP Hydroxyurea:

- if you have an allergy to hydroxyurea, or any of the ingredient in the medicine.
- if your bone marrow function is markedly depressed (e.g. reduction in white blood cells, red blood cells or platelets)

- Before you start to use it

Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking any medicine.

Pregnancy and lactation

Do not take DHNP Hydroxyurea if you are pregnant or intended to become pregnant. It may cause harm to the unborn baby if it is given to a man or woman before conception, or to a pregnant woman.

DHNP Hydroxyurea passes into breast milk. Do not take it if you are breastfeeding.

Before starting the treatment, tell your doctor if you have or have had any of the following conditions:

- Previously received therapy of cytotoxic medication
- have received radiotherapy in the past
- kidney dysfunction.

- Taking other medicines

Tell your doctor if you are taking any other medicines, including vaccines, or any that you buy without a prescription from your pharmacy, supermarket or health food shop

Some medicines and DHNP Hydroxyurea may interfere with each other. These include:

- Previous or concomitant radiotherapy or cytotoxic therapy.
- antigout agent
- medications which can cause blood disorder
- live virus vaccine

How to use DHNP Hydroxyurea

- How much to use

Your doctor will decide what dose you will receive. Your dose DHNP Hydroxyurea capsules is worked out based on your body weight and on

the type of cancer you have. The recommended dose is 20-30mg/kg of your bodyweight once daily or 80 mg/kg of your body weight once every third day. The dose worked out for you may be different to the dose for another person.

- When to use it

DHNP Hydroxyurea is taken as a single dose and can be taken each day, or once every three days. Start taking hydroxyurea at least 7 days before initiation of irradiation and continued during radiotherapy as well as indefinitely afterwards. Your doctor will decide how you should take the capsules and will explain this to you.

- How long to use it

Take DHNP Hydroxyurea for the duration as your doctor recommends.

- If you forget to use it

Take the missed dose as soon as you remember. If it is almost time for your next dose, wait until then to take the medicine and skip the missed dose. Do not take a double dose to make up for the missed dose. This may increase the chance of you getting an unwanted side effect

- If you use too much (overdose)

Immediately call your doctor or pharmacist or the Poisons Information Centre or go to Accident or Emergency at your nearest hospital, if you think that you or someone else may have taken too many DHNP Hydroxyurea capsules.

Do this even if there are no signs of discomfort or poisoning. You may need urgent medical attention.

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Symptoms of overdose may include soreness, redness, fluid retention associated with the hands & feet followed by scaling of the skin in these areas, skin pigmentation & inflammation of the mouth.

While you are using DHNP Hydroxyurea

- Things you must do

Tell any other doctors, dentists and pharmacists who are treating you that are taking DHNP Hydroxyurea.

If you become pregnant while taking DHNP Hydroxyurea, tell your doctor.

- Things you must not do

Do not forget the appointments with your doctor so your progress can be checked.

Do not give DHNP Hydroxyurea to anyone else, even if they have the same condition as you.

Do not take DHNP Hydroxyurea to treat any other complaints unless your doctor tells you to.

Do not stop taking DHNP Hydroxyurea, or lower the dose, without checking with your doctor.

If you are taking the contents of the capsule by mixing it with water, ensure the powder does not come in contact with the skin or mucous membranes directly.

- Things to be careful of

DHNP Hydroxyurea may cause dizziness, drowsiness or tiredness in some people. Make sure you know how you react to DHNP Hydroxyurea before you drive a car, operate

machinery, or do anything else that could be dangerous.

Side effects

Like all medicines, DHNP Hydroxyurea can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them. Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you experience any side effects after taking DHNP Hydroxyurea

side effect

- headache, dizziness, disorientation, hallucinations, and convulsions
- nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, and constipation
- blood disorders (reduction in white blood cells, red blood cells and platelets)
- painful or difficult urination
- tiredness
- rash, facial redness
- hair loss
- gastric irritation
- lung disease

You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to the National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by visiting the website npa.gov.my [Consumers→ Reporting Side Effects to Medicines (ConSERF) or Vaccines (AEFI)]

Storage and Disposal of DHNP Hydroxyurea

- Storage

Store below 30°C in a cool dry place. The container must be tightly closed. Protect from light

- Disposal

Medicines should not be disposed of via wastewater or household waste. Proper handling and disposal of anticancer medicines should be considered. Ask your pharmacist how

to dispose of medicines no longer required. These measures will help to protect the environment.

Product Description

- What it looks like

Green and pink-colored capsule is filled with white colored powder.

- Ingredients

- Active ingredient(s)
: Hydroxyurea
- Inactive ingredients
: Microcrystalline Cellulose, Lactose, Magnesium Stearate

- MAL number:

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