

# FELXICAM 20 MG CAPSULE

## Piroxicam (20 mg)

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### What Felxica<sup>m</sup> is used for

To treat symptomatic relief of pain and inflammation in patients with osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis and ankylosing spondylitis. However, it should not be the first choice of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID) treatment in these conditions.

### How Felxica<sup>m</sup> works

This medicine belongs to a group of medicines called non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs). NSAIDs stops the production of chemicals called prostaglandins. These chemicals are released in your body in response to illness and injury. They cause pain and inflammation (swelling) and when released in your brain may cause fever (high temperature).

### Before you use Felxica<sup>m</sup>

#### - When you must not take it

Do not take this medicine if:

- you are hypersensitive to piroxicam or any of the other ingredients of this product .
- you are hypersensitive to aspirin or any other NSAIDs medicine
- you are pregnant, or intend to become pregnant.
- you are breast-feeding or intend to breast-feed.
- you have or have had a peptic ulcer (ulcer of the stomach or duodenum)
- you have or have had inflammation of the bowel or stomach lining. Such as Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis
- you are vomiting blood
- you are bleeding from the rectum (back passage), have black sticky

bowel motions (stools) or bloody diarrhea

#### - Before you start to use it

Tell your doctor if:

- you are allergic to any other medicines, foods, dyes or preservatives.
- you are pregnant or plan to become pregnant
- you are breastfeeding or wish to breastfeed
- you have infection
- you plan to have surgery
- you have the following medical condition:
  - High blood pressure (hypertension) or heart problems
  - Asthma
  - Kidney or liver disease
  - Swelling of the feet and ankles (oedema)
  - Excessive bleeding

#### - Taking other medicines

Talk to your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking any other medicines in any form including any that you buy or obtained without a prescription.

Some medicines interfere with Piroxicam.

They include:

- aspirin and other NSAID medicines
- medicines to stop blood clotting, such as warfarin
- diuretics
- cimetidine (medicine used to reduce the pain of ulcer and heartburn)
- lithium used to treat some types of depression

Other interactions not stated may occur. Talk to your doctor or pharmacist if you have any other concerns.

### How to use Felxica<sup>m</sup>

#### - How much to use

Your doctor will determine the amount of medicine you should take based on

the severity of your condition. Take this medicine in the dose prescribed by your doctor.

The dose varies from patient to patient.

The usual dose is 20 mg per day taken as a single dose.

Swallow the capsule (s) with a full glass of water while standing upright.

#### - When to use it

To be taken during or immediately after a meal. This will lessen the chance of a stomach upset.

#### - How long to use it

You are advised to take it as long as your doctor tells you to. The duration of treatment should be 14 days.

#### - If you forget to use it

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

If you forget to take your dose, take it as soon as you remember. Skip the missed dose if it is almost time for your next dose.

#### - If you use too much (overdose)

Contact your doctor immediately as soon as you realise you have taken too much.

Overdose symptoms may include:

- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Abdominal pain
- Peptic ulceration,
- Gastrointestinal bleeding
- Drowsiness
- Hyperreflexia(overactive or overresponsive reflexes)
- Coma
- Convulsions

### While you are using Felxica<sup>m</sup>

#### - Things you must do

- Tell your doctor immediately if you become pregnant.

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- Tell your doctor if you decide to breast-feed your baby.
- If you are going to have surgery, make sure the surgeon and anaesthetist know you are taking Felxica™.
- Tell your doctor if you get an infection while using Felxica™.
- you plan to have any vaccinations or immunisations
- Before starting any new medicine, tell your doctor or pharmacist that you are taking Felxica™.
- Go to your doctor regularly for any check-up or blood tests.

### - Things you must not do

Do not:

- Give this medicine to anyone else, even if their symptoms seem similar to yours.
- Take your medicine to treat any other complaints unless you are told by your doctor or pharmacist.
- Stop taking the medicine or change the dosage on your own before asking your doctor.

### - Things to be careful of

Drinking alcohol will make it worse. Watch your intake.

### *Driving and using machines*

Be careful while driving or operating machinery as Felxica™ may cause dizziness and affect your eyesight.

### Side effects

All medicines can cause unwanted side effects. These effects can be serious but most of the time, they are mild and temporary.

Tell your doctor if you notice any of the following and they worry you:

- upset stomach, nausea, vomiting, indigestion
- severe stomach pain or tenderness
- Headache
- Dizziness
- Swollen eyes
- Eyes problems such as blurred vision and eye irritations

- Malaise (feeling of discomfort, illness, or lack of well-being)
- Tinnitus (ringing, buzzing in ears)
- Skin rashes,
- Pruritus (skin itching)
- swelling of face, lips or tongue which may cause difficulty in breathing or swallowing
- symptoms of anaemia such as paleness, tiredness, and being short of breath
- Paraesthesia (abnormal skin sensations (as tingling or tickling or itching or burning)
- Hair loss

Other unwanted side effects not listed may occur. Tell your doctor immediately.

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.moh.gov.my](http://npa.moh.gov.my) (Consumers → Reporting Side Effects to Medicines (ConSERF) or Vaccines (AEFI))

### Storage and Disposal of Felxica™

#### - Storage

Keep out of reach of children. Store Felxica™ below 30°C. Protect from light and moisture.

#### - Disposal

Medicine should not be disposed of via wastewater or household water. 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

Amethyst opaque/amethyst opaque capsule with “HD” printed on one end and “XCM20” printed on the other end of the capsule

#### - Ingredients

-Active ingredients  
Each Felxica™ 20 capsule contains Piroxicam 20 mg.

-Inactive ingredients

Sodium Starch Glycolate  
Lactose Monohydrate  
Colloidal Silicon Dioxide  
Polysorbate  
Magnesium Stearate  
Cornstarch  
Polyvinylpyrrolidone

#### - MAL Number:

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#### Manufacturer

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