

Composition : Rifaximin 200mg & 550mg Tablet.

Indications : Faxan 200 tablets are used to treat traveler's diarrhea by noninvasive strains of *E. coli* in adults and children at least 12 years of age. Faxan 550 tablets are used to prevent episodes of hepatic encephalopathy in people at least 18 years of age who have liver disease. Rifaximin tablet is used to treat bacterial over growth of irritable bowel syndrome.

Dosage and administration : Traveler's Diarrhea: The recommended dose of Rifaximin is one 200mg tablet taken orally three times a day for 3 days. Rifaximin can be administered orally, with or without food. Hepatic Encephalopathy: The recommended dose of Rifaximin is one 550mg tablet taken orally two times a day for 1 to 3 weeks. Rifaximin can be administered orally, with or without food. Bacterial over growth of irritable bowel syndrome Rifaximin 400mg, 3 times daily for 10 days. Or, as directed by the registered physician.

Contraindication : Rifaximin is contraindicated in patients with known hypersensitivity to the active substance or to any other excipients of this medicine.

Use in pregnancy and lactation :

Rifaximin has been assigned to pregnancy category C by the FDA.

Side effects : The adverse effects have been reported with the use of Rifaximin are flatulence, headache, abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting, constipation, pyrexia.

Precautions : Rifaximin is not found to

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be effective in patients with diarrhea complicated by fever and/or blood in the stools. Rifaximin therapy should be discontinued if diarrhea symptoms get worse or persist for more than 24-48 hours and an alternative antibiotic therapy should be considered. Pseudomembranous colitis has been reported with nearly all antibacterial agents and may range in severity from mild to life threatening. Therefore, it is important to consider this diagnosis in patients who present with diarrhea subsequent to the administered of antibacterial agents.

Drug interactions : An in vitro study has suggested that Rifaximin induces CYP3A4. However, in patients with normal liver function, Rifaximin at the recommended dosing regimen is not expected to induce CYP3A4.

Packing :

Faxan-200 : 2x7's tablets in alu-alu blister pack.

Faxan-550 : 1x7's tablets in alu-alu blister pack.