

PACKAGE LEAFLET: INFORMATION FOR THE USER

Medical Oxygen/Carbon Dioxide Mixtures Oxygen, Carbon Dioxide, Medicinal gas, compressed

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2. Things to consider before use
3. How to use Medical Oxygen/Carbon Dioxide Mixtures
4. Possible side effects
5. How to store
6. Further Information

1. WHAT ARE MEDICAL OXYGEN/CARBON DIOXIDE MIXTURES AND WHAT ARE THEY USED FOR

Medical Oxygen/Carbon Dioxide Mixtures are medicinal gas mixtures, supplied in cylinders filled to a high pressure.

These medicinal gas mixtures are used in blood analysis and bypass circulation

2. THINGS TO CONSIDER BEFORE USE

These medicinal gas mixtures are only given to you in a hospital or clinic under the supervision of a healthcare professional. Ensure that your healthcare professional is aware of any medical conditions that you may have.

Take special care when using if:

you have accidentally taken Paraquat (a type of weed killer), advise your healthcare professional before using the medicinal gas mixtures, as there is a possibility of toxic effects to the lungs

Taking other medicines

These medicinal gas mixtures should not be used with adrenaline or similar drugs.

If you have been taking or prescribed Bleomycin (to treat cancer), Amiodarone (to treat an irregular heartbeat) or Nitrofurantoin and similar antibiotics (to treat infection), advise your healthcare professional before using these medicinal gas mixtures, as there is a possibility of toxic effects to the lungs.

Tell your healthcare professional if you are taking or have recently taken any other medicines, including medicines obtained without a prescription.

Pregnancy and breast-feeding

These medicinal gas mixtures will not affect you or your baby if used during pregnancy or whilst breast feeding.

Driving and using machines

You may drive and use machines after using these medicinal gas mixtures providing that your healthcare professional considers that you are both fit and capable.

3. HOW TO USE MEDICAL OXYGEN/CARBON DIOXIDE MIXTURES

Instructions for use

Your healthcare professional will ensure that your medicinal gas mixture supply is suitable for your use and that the equipment has been set up correctly so that you receive the right amount of gas.

When you are given your medicinal gas mixture it will be supplied via a facemask.

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4. POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS

There are no side effects with these medicinal gas mixtures .

Reporting of side effects

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~~However, should you experience any undesirable effects during or after administration contact your healthcare professional immediately.~~

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Expiry date

These medicinal gas mixtures should not be used after the expiry date stated on the batch label on the cylinder.

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Cylinder storage

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J	6800

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