

NAPROXEN

Generic Ingredient(s):	Naproxen
Legal Class:	POM
Drug Class:	<u>NSAIDs</u>
How Supplied:	Naproxen
Price:	250mg, 56=£4.29. 375mg, 56=£6.42. 500mg, 56=£8.56. White e-c tabs marked NPR EC 250, NPR EC 375 or NPR EC 500.
Indications:	Rheumatoid arthritis, osteoarthritis, ankylosing spondylitis, acute musculoskeletal disorders, dysmenorrhoea.
Adults:	RA, OA, ankylosing spondylitis, 500—1000 mg daily in two divided doses at 12 hour intervals or as a single dose morning or evening. Musculoskeletal disorders, dysmenorrhoea, 500 mg initially then 250 mg six to eight hourly as required; max. 1250 mg daily after first day.
Children:	Under 16 years, not recommended.
Contraindications:	Aspirin/anti-inflammatory induced allergy. Active gastric or duodenal ulcer. Severe heart failure, hepatic and renal failure. Creatinine clearance <20ml/min. Pregnancy, lactation.
Precautions:	Renal or hepatic impairment, monitor on long-term therapy. Cerebrovascular, coronary or peripheral vascular disease, cardiac impairment, hypertension, congestive heart failure, asthma, ulcerative colitis, Crohn's disease, SLE. Elderly.
Interactions:	Anticoagulants, antiplatelets, hydantoins, sulfonyleureas, quinolones, sulfonamides, diuretics,

Side Effects:

lithium, β -blockers, probenecid, methotrexate, ciclosporin, corticosteroids, SSRIs, cardiac glycosides, mifepristone, tacrolimus, zidovudine, other NSAIDs.

GI upset, bleeding and ulceration, abdominal pain. Skin and hypersensitivity reactions, headache, dizziness, tinnitus, vertigo, blood dyscrasias, altered LFTs, oedema, hypertension, cardiac failure, CNS disturbances.