

PACKAGE LEAFLET: INFORMATION FOR THE USER

ELLA ONE

30 mg tablet

ULIPRISTAL ACETATE

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• Keep this leaflet • You may need to read it again • If you have any further questions, ask your doctor or pharmacist • This medicine has been prescribed for you only • Do not pass it on to others • It may harm them, even if their signs of illness are the same as yours • If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor or pharmacist • This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet •

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1. WHAT ELLAONE IS AND WHAT IT IS USED FOR

ellaOne is an emergency contraceptive

ellaOne is a contraceptive intended to prevent pregnancy after unprotected sex or if your contraceptive method has failed.

For example:

- if you had sex without protection;
- if your or your partner's condom tore, slipped or came off, or if you forgot to use one;
- if you did not take your contraceptive pill as recommended.

You should take ellaOne as soon as possible after sex, and within a maximum of 5 days (120 hours). This is because the sperm can survive up to 5 days in your body after intercourse.

ellaOne is suitable for any woman of childbearing age, including adolescents.

You can take ellaOne at any time in the menstrual cycle.

ellaOne does not work if you are already pregnant.

If your menstrual period is late, there is a possibility that you may be pregnant. When your period is late or when you have symptoms of pregnancy (heavy breasts, morning sickness) you should consult a doctor or other healthcare professional before taking ellaOne.

If you have unprotected sex after taking ellaOne, it will not stop you from becoming pregnant. Unprotected sex at any time during your cycle can lead to pregnancy.

ellaOne is not to be used for regular contraception

If you do not have a regular method of contraception, talk to your doctor or healthcare professional to choose one that is suitable for you.

How ellaOne works

ellaOne contains the substance ulipristal acetate which acts by modifying the activity of the natural hormone progesterone which is necessary for ovulation to occur. As a result, ellaOne works by postponing ovulation. Emergency contraception is not effective in every case. Of 100 women who take ellaOne approximately 2 will become pregnant. ellaOne is a contraceptive used to prevent a pregnancy from starting. If you are already pregnant, it will not interrupt an existing pregnancy.

Emergency contraception does not protect against sexually transmitted infections

Only condoms can protect you from sexually transmitted infections. ellaOne will not protect you against HIV infection or any other sexually transmitted diseases (e.g. chlamydia, genital herpes, genital warts, gonorrhoea, hepatitis B and syphilis). Ask a healthcare professional for advice if you are worried about this.

There is more information about contraception at the end of this leaflet

2. BEFORE YOU TAKE ELLAONE

Do not take ELLAONE in case of

- If you are allergic to ulipristal acetate or any of the other ingredients of this medicine (listed in section 6).

Take special care with ELLAONE

Talk to your pharmacist, doctor or other healthcare professional before taking ellaOne

- if your period is late or you have symptoms of pregnancy (heavy breasts, morning sickness), as you may already be pregnant (see section “Pregnancy, breast-feeding and fertility”);
- if you suffer from severe asthma;
- if you suffer from severe liver disease. In all women, emergency contraception should be taken as soon as possible after unprotected intercourse.

There is some evidence that ellaOne may be less effective with increasing body weight or body mass index (BMI), but these data were limited and inconclusive. Therefore, ellaOne is still recommended for all women regardless of their weight or BMI.

You are advised to speak to a healthcare professional if you are concerned about any problems related to taking emergency contraception.

If you become pregnant despite taking ellaOne, it is important that you see your doctor. See section “Pregnancy, breast-feeding and fertility” for more information.

Other contraceptives and ellaOne

ellaOne may make regular hormonal contraceptives, like pills and patches, temporarily less effective. If you are currently taking hormonal contraception, continue to use it as usual after taking ellaOne, but be sure to use condoms every time you have sex until your next period. Do not use ellaOne together with another emergency contraceptive pill that contains levonorgestrel. By taking them both together, you might make ellaOne less effective.

Taking other medicines

Tell your pharmacist, doctor or other healthcare professional if you are taking, have recently taken or might take any other medicines.

This is especially important if you are taking any of the medicines listed below since they make ellaOne work less well:

- Phenytoin, fosphenytoine, phenobarbital, primidone, carbamazepine, oxcarbazepine (used to treat epilepsy)
- Ritonavir, efavirenz, nevirapine (used to treat HIV infection)
- Rifampicin, rifabutin (used to treat tuberculosis)
- St John's wort (*Hypericum perforatum*) or herbal medicines that contain it (used for depression or anxiety).

Pregnancy and breast-feeding

Pregnancy

Before taking ellaOne, if your period is late, tell your pharmacist, doctor or other healthcare professional, or do a pregnancy test in order to make sure you are not already pregnant (see section "Warning and precautions"). ellaOne is a contraceptive used to prevent a pregnancy from starting. If you are already pregnant it will not interrupt an existing pregnancy. If you become pregnant despite taking ellaOne, there is no evidence that ellaOne will affect your pregnancy. However, it is important that you see your doctor. As for any pregnancy, your doctor may want to check that the pregnancy is not outside the womb. This is especially important if you have severe abdominal (stomach) pain or bleeding or if you have previously had a pregnancy outside the womb, tubal surgery or long term (chronic) genital infection. If you become pregnant despite taking ellaOne, you are encouraged to ask your doctor to register your pregnancy in an official registry. You can also report this information on your own at www.hrapregnancy-registry.com. Your information will remain anonymous – nobody will know it is information about you. Sharing your information may help women in the future understand the safety or risks of ellaOne during a pregnancy.

Breast-feeding

If you take ellaOne while you are breastfeeding a baby, do not breast-feed for one week after taking ellaOne. During this time, it is recommended to use a breast pump in order to maintain milk production, but throw away your breast milk. The effect of breastfeeding your baby in the week after taking ellaOne is not known.

Fertility

ellaOne will not affect your future fertility. If you have unprotected sex after taking ellaOne, it will not stop you from becoming pregnant. Therefore it is important you use condoms until your next period. If you wish to start or continue with a regular method of contraception after using ellaOne, you can do so but you should also use condoms until your next period.

Driving and using machines

After taking ellaOne, some women experience dizziness, drowsiness, blurred vision and/or loss of concentration (see section 4 "Possible side effects"). If you experience these symptoms, do not drive or use machines.

ellaOne contains lactose

If you have been told by your doctor or other healthcare professional that you have intolerance to some sugars, tell your pharmacist before taking this medicine.

3. HOW TO TAKE ELLAONE

Always use this medicine exactly as described in this leaflet or as your pharmacist, doctor or other healthcare professional has told you. Check with your pharmacist or doctor if you are not sure.

How to take the ellaOne tablet

- Take one tablet by mouth as soon as possible and no later than 5 days (120 hours) after unprotected sex or contraceptive failure. Take the tablet without delay.
- You can take ellaOne at any time in your cycle.
- You can take ellaOne at any time of the day either before, during or after a meal.

If you vomit after taking ellaOne

If you vomit (be sick, throw up) within 3 hours of taking the tablet, take another tablet as soon as possible.

If you have sex again after taking ellaOne

If you have unprotected sex after taking ellaOne, it will not stop you from becoming pregnant. After you take ellaOne and until your next period comes, you should use condoms every time you have sex.

If your next period is late after taking ellaOne

After taking ellaOne, it is normal for your next period to be a few days late. However, if your period is more than 7 days late; if it is unusually light or unusually heavy; or if you experience symptoms such as abdominal (stomach) pain, breast tenderness, vomiting or nausea, you may be pregnant. You should do a pregnancy test right away. If you are pregnant, it is important that you see your doctor. (See section "Pregnancy, breastfeeding and fertility")

If you take more ELLAONE than you should

There have been no reports of harmful effects from taking a higher dose than recommended of this medicine. However do ask your pharmacist, doctor or other healthcare professional for advice.

Talk to your doctor or pharmacist if you have any additional questions.

4. POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS

Like all medicines, ELLAONE can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

Some symptoms such as breast tenderness and abdominal (stomach) pain, throwing up (vomiting), feeling sick (nausea) are also possible signs of pregnancy. If you miss your period and experience such symptoms after taking ellaOne, you should do a pregnancy test (See section "Pregnancy, breastfeeding and fertility").

Common side effects (these may affect up to 1 in 10 people)

- nausea, abdominal (stomach) pain or discomfort, vomiting
- painful periods, pelvic pain, breast tenderness
- headache, dizziness, mood swings
- muscle pain, back pain, tiredness

Uncommon side effects (these may affect up to 1 in 100 people)

- diarrhea, heartburn, wind, dry mouth
- unusual or irregular vaginal bleeding, heavy/prolonged periods premenstrual syndrome, vaginal irritation or discharge, lesser or greater sex drive

- hot flushes
- appetite changes, emotional disorders, anxiety, agitation, trouble sleeping, sleepiness, migraine visual disturbances
- influenza
- acne, skin lesions, itching
- fever, chills, malaise

Rare side effects (these may affect up to 1 in 1,000 people)

- genital pain or itching, pain during sex, rupture of an ovarian cyst, unusually light period
- loss of concentration, vertigo, shaking, disorientation, fainting
- unusual sensation in eye, red eye, sensitivity to light
- dry throat, disturbance in taste
- hives (itchy rash), feeling thirsty

Reporting of side effects

If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor, pharmacist or nurse. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet.

5. HOW TO STORE ELLAONE

Keep out of the reach and sight of children.

Do not store above 25 °C.

Do not use ELLAONE after the expiry date which is stated on the label.

Medicines should not be disposed of via waste water or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to dispose of medicines no longer required. These measures will help to protect the environment.

6. FURTHER INFORMATION

What ELLAONE contains

The active substance is ulipristal acetate. One tablet contains 30 milligrams of ulipristal acetate.

The other ingredients are lactose, povidone K30, croscarmellose sodium, magnesium stearate.

What ELLAONE looks like and contents of the pack

ellaOne is a white to marble creamy, round curved tablet engraved with code “ella” on both faces. ellaOne is available in carton containing one blister of 1 tablet.

Useful information about contraception

More about emergency contraception

The sooner you take emergency contraception, the better the chance of avoiding pregnancy. Emergency contraception will not affect your fertility. Emergency contraception can delay ovulation within a given menstrual cycle, but it will not stop you from becoming pregnant if you have unprotected sex again. After you take emergency contraception and until your next period comes, you should use a condom every time you have sex.

More about regular contraception

If you have taken emergency contraception and you do not use a regular contraceptive method (or do not have a contraceptive method that suits you), talk to your doctor or family planning clinic for advice. There are many different types of contraception available, and you should be able to find the right method for you.

Examples of regular contraception methods:

Daily methods
Contraceptive pill

Weekly or monthly methods

Contraceptive patch

Vaginal Ring

Long lasting methods

Contraceptive implant

IUD (intrauterine device)

Regime of dispensing

The medicine is issued without doctor's prescription.

Manufacturer:

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