

Patient Information Leaflet Dasatinib – SPRYCEL®

## What is SPRYCEL®

Medicine Name	Description	
Dasatinib	20 mg pill: white, round 50 mg pill: white, oval 70 mg pill: white, round 100 mg pill: white, oval 140 mg pill: white, round <b>There are generic drugs of different forms</b>	

### How should you take your medicine?

Your doctor has determined your medicine dosage.

Swallow whole with a glass of water; do not crush, cut, chew, or dilute the pills.

At a set time, with or without meals.

If you forgot to take a dose or in case of vomiting, do not take an additional dose but wait for the time to take the next dose.

# Dosage – therapy regimen



### How to get the medicine supply?

This medicine is available in local pharmacies.

Getting this medicine might take time. Be careful and order the medicine in advance. Store this product in its original packaging, away from sources of heat and moisture.

## What else do you need to know?

#### Precautions and monitoring

Laboratory tests are necessary while taking your medication (blood test to monitor blood counts, electrolyte level, liver and kidney function), as well as clinical condition monitoring (arterial pressure).

#### Using contraceptives

This drug may harm an unborn baby. During the entire treatment, you and your partner need to use effective contraception methods (condoms combined with another method).

#### Interactions with other medications and/or food

The occurrence of interactions between SPRYCEL® and your other treatments may have harmful consequences (reduced drug efficacy and tolerance). It is important to tell your pharmacist and doctor about all medications and/or other substances (foods, plants, probiotics, essential oils, nutritional supplements, etc.) that you are taking.

Example: While taking SPRYCEL®, it is necessary to avoid using Saint John's wort and grapefruit.

### What are possible side effects?

Only the most common side effects are listed below. There might be some other side effects. For additional information, refer to your medicine leaflet or seek advice from your doctor or pharmacist.

SIDE EFFECTS



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Most common ones	Digestive problems: nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, stomach pain
	Abnormal blood counts: low platelet count (thrombocytopenia) and/or low multinuclear neutrophil count
	(neutropenia), low hemoglobin level (anemia)
	General disorders: limb and/or face swellings, water retention
	Pain: cramps, muscular pain, headaches Skin problems: skin rash, itching, change in hair texture or color (hair loss is possible)
	Cardiac problems: strong, fast, or irregular heartbeat
	Respiratory problems
	Bleedings, fatigue
Some patients require special attention	Patients – carriers of hepatitis B virus
WHEN TO ALERT THE MEDIC	AL TEAM?
Tell medical personnel if the	Digestive problems
following conditions are	> Significant and/or rapid weight loss
present and in the absence	> Very frequent diarrhea, bowel movement over 4 times a day
of specific medical advice	> Severe abdominal pain
	> Inability to drink for 24 hours and/or eat for about 48 hours Symptoms suggestive of infection
	> Temperature > 38.5 °C
	<ul> <li>Cough, throat pain, pain on urination, diarrhea with fever</li> </ul>
	Symptoms suggestive of hemorrhage
	> Blood in stool or in vomit
	> Hematomas (bruises), nose bleedings
	Respiratory problems > Increasing constant cough or problems breathing
	Pain that prevents you from doing your normal activities
	> Headaches and/or joint pain
	Symptoms suggestive of water retention
	Rapid and unexpected weight gain
	Symptoms suggestive of heart or vascular problem
	> Headaches, buzzing in the ears, and/or dizziness
	> Blood pressure increase
	> Shortness of breath, high palpitation, or chest pain or tightness
HOW TO PREVENT SIDE EFF	
Skin care	<b>Opt for</b> mild soap and moisturizer, pat skin dry. <b>Avoid</b> using any skin irritating products. For sun protection <b>use</b> broad spectrum sunscreen and <b>avoid</b> sun exposure.
Weight	Regularly check your weight in case of digestive problems or swellings.
Water retention	Avoid wearing tight clothing, socks, and shoes. Put your feet in an elevated position.
Infection	Avoid visiting high risk areas (crowds, contact with sick people,). A flu and pneumococcal infection vaccine might be recommended for you: it will protect you.
Blood pressure control	Elevated blood pressure needs to be corrected. Taking arterial pressure regularly is recommended. Pharmacists can help you take your blood pressure. You can also ask to do it by yourself using an
	automatic blood pressure monitor.
Hair loss	Use a small amount of mild shampoo (for babies). Opt for a soft brush. Avoid washing your hair too ofter Avoid heat sources (hairdryer, heated curlers, hot smoothing iron), dyes, highlights, or perm.
Bleedings	Avoid taking anti-inflammatory drugs (ibuprofen, aspirin)
	Notify your doctor:
	> if you take blood thinners or thrombocytic antiaggregants: careful monitoring is needed about surgical or dental intervention.
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Fatigue / pain	Opt for activities contributing to well-being, in particular adjusted and regular physical activities: walking, work in the garden, swimming, biking, sports Alternate periods of activity and rest.
HOW TO ADAPT YOUR DIET	
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Diarrhea	Opt for a low fiber diet. It is preferable to consume starchy products, carrots, and bananas.
	Avoid using raw fruit and vegetables, dairy products, coffee, or alcohol. Drink more water.
Nausea	Opt for split nutrition consisting of several light meals, liquid and cold dishes.
Meter retention	Limit consumption of fatty, fried, and spicy foods.
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Water retention

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Opt for a low salt diet.