



Appendix 2

Clofazimine

How do I take?

- Take clofazimine with meals or with a glass of milk to maximise absorption and reduce stomach upset. Clofazimine capsules contain soybean oil therefore make your NTM team aware if you are allergic or sensitive to peanuts or soya

Will there be any interactions with any of my other medicines?

- Your NTM team will check for any interactions. Please ensure you make your NTM team aware of all prescribed medication you take and any over the counter preparations

Is there anything I need to look out for?

- Clofazimine may cause side effects. You should make your NTM team aware if you experience any of the following side effects:
 - Persistent abdominal pain and diarrhoea
 - Any change in eye colour (pigmentation), change in vision, dry eyes, burning or other eye irritation
 - Clofazimine may make your skin more sensitive to sunlight, causing a rash or severe sunburn. You should avoid strong sunlight and wear sunscreen
 - If you feel your heart beating in your chest or have an abnormal heartbeat

What other side effects might I experience?

- Other side effects include (but not limited to):
 - Gastrointestinal: abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea and weight loss.
 - Pink to brownish-black skin discolouration (resembling sun-tanning) within 1–4 weeks; it disappears within 6–12 months after stopping treatment
 - Thickening, dry and/or itchy skin
 - Rash
 - Discolouration of soft contact lenses
 - May discolour urine red
- Please see patient information insert provided with medication for full list of side effects

How will I be monitored?

- Your NTM team may check your heart trace (ECG) at the beginning of treatment; in some instances, your heart trace may be rechecked after 2 weeks and/or after the addition of any new medication that may also affect your heart trace