

Propranolol Oral Suspension

Please note that this product is a **COMPOUNDED MEDICINE**

Active Ingredient

- Propranolol

What is in this leaflet

This leaflet contains some information about your medication. It does not take the place of talking to your doctor or pharmacist. All medicines have risks and benefits. Your doctor has weighed the risks of you taking this medication against the positive benefits they expect it will have for you. **If you have any concerns about taking this medicine, please contact us again or speak with your doctor or pharmacist for more information.** Keep this leaflet with the medicine as you may need to read it again in the future.

What it is used for

This medication contains the active ingredient Propranolol. Propranolol is a beta-blocker that is normally used for high blood pressure. Low dose propranolol is used in children for complex infantile haemangiomas.

Propranolol reduces the growth of blood vessels within the haemangioma. Over time this will reduce the colour, size and firmness of the haemangioma.

Before you take Propranolol

When you must NOT take it:

- If you are allergic to the active ingredient
- If the medication is expired or has not been stored correctly
- If your child is asthmatic or a history of bronchospasm
- If your child is <5 weeks of age or weighs <2.5kg

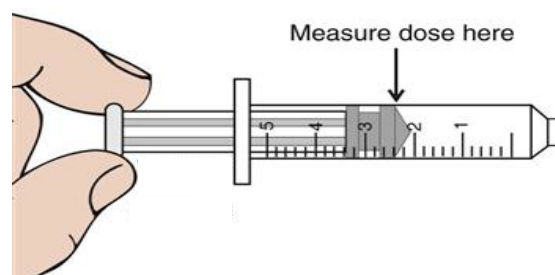
Let us know if you are:

- Suffer from any other medical conditions or take any other medications
- If the infant is breastfed
- If there is planned surgery, as this can cause a sudden lowering of your child's blood pressure during surgery

How to take Propranolol

How much to take

Please give this medication as directed by your doctor or pharmacist. The normal dose of propranolol is 0.5mg/kg twice daily. Your Doctor may increase this dose slowly up to 1.5mg/kg twice daily.



How to take it

Shake well before use. Using an **oral** syringe, withdraw the required volume of solution from the bottle. **Inject the solution directly into to the child's mouth using a graduated syringe.**

Propranolol should be given during or after a meal. Twice daily dosing should be administered >9 hours apart.

If you forget to take it

If it is almost time for your next dose, skip the dose you missed and take your next dose as normal. **Do not take two doses to make up for a dose you missed.**

If you take too much (overdose)

Immediately contact your doctor, the Poisons Information Centre (telephone 13 11 26) or go to the Accident and Emergency at the nearest hospital.

How to report side effects

If you experience any adverse experiences from this medication, you should report it via:

- Visiting www.tga.gov.au/reporting-problems
- Call Adverse Medicine Events Line on 1300 134 237

If it is an EMERGENCY call the Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26 or call 000.

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Side effects

Please let us or your doctor know as soon as possible if you do not feel well while taking this medication.

Some side effects you may experience include:

- Dizziness, tiredness
- Cold hands or feet
- Nausea, vomiting
- Loss of appetite
- Rash, flushing
- Hypoglycaemia
- Insomnia, poor sleep quality

For a full list of possible side effects please contact us.

Storage

Expires 28 days after preparation. Store your medication in the fridge between 2°C to 8°C. Do not freeze. Keep in the original packaging until you need to take your next dose.

References

1. <https://www.childrens.health.qld.gov.au/fact-sheet-propranolol-therapy-and-infantile-haemangiomas/>
2. <https://www.rch.org.au/uploadedfiles/main/content/pharmacy/propranolol.pdf>
3. <https://www.emims.com.au/Australia/drug/info/Hemangiol/Hemangiol?type=brief>



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