

# SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN

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## Consumer Medicine Information (CMI) summary

The [full CMI](#) on the next page has more details. If you are worried about using this medicine, speak to your doctor or pharmacist.

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### 1. Why am I taking SITAGLIPTIN/ METFORMIN MYLAN?

SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN contains the active ingredient Sitagliptin (as hydrochloride monohydrate) and metformin (as hydrochloride). SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN is used to lower blood sugar levels in adults with diabetes mellitus.

For more information, see Section [1. Why am I taking SITAGLIPTIN/ METFORMIN MYLAN?](#) in the full CMI.

### 2. What should I know before I take SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN?

Do not use if you have ever had an allergic reaction to SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN or any of the ingredients listed at the end of the CMI.

**Talk to your doctor if you have any other medical conditions, take any other medicines, or are pregnant or plan to become pregnant or are breastfeeding.**

For more information, see Section [2. What should I know before I take SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN?](#) in the full CMI.

### **3. What if I am taking other medicines?**

Some medicines may interfere with SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN and affect how it works.

A list of these medicines is in Section [3. What if I am taking other medicines?](#) in the full CMI.

### **4. How do I take SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN?**

- Your doctor will tell you how many SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN tablets to take and how often to take them.
- Take SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN with meals to lower your chance of an upset stomach.

More instructions can be found in Section [4. How do I take SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN?](#) in the full CMI.

## 5. What should I know while taking SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN?

<b>Things you should do</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Remind any doctor, dentist or pharmacist you visit that you are using SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN.</li><li>● Call your doctor straight away if you become pregnant while taking SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN.</li></ul>
<b>Things you should not do</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Do not stop taking this medicine suddenly.</li><li>● Do not give SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN to anyone else, even if they have the same condition as you.</li></ul>
<b>Driving or using machines</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● There is no information to suggest that SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN affects your ability to drive a car or operate machinery.</li></ul>

<b>Drinking alcohol</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tell your doctor if you drink alcohol.</li> </ul>
<b>Looking after your medicine</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keep your tablets in the blister pack until it is time to take them.</li> <li>• Store it in a cool dry place away from moisture, heat or sunlight.</li> </ul>

For more information, see Section [5. What should I know while taking SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN?](#) in the full CMI.

## **6. Are there any side effects?**

Serious side effects in particular that need to be noted are:

- Allergic reactions including rash, hives, swelling of the face, lips, tongue, and throat with difficulty in breathing or swallowing.
- Severe and persistent stomach pain, often with nausea and vomiting.
- Blisters or the breakdown of your skin (erosion).
- Low blood sugar when used in combination with a sulfonylurea medicine or with insulin.
- Kidney problems (sometimes requiring dialysis).

For more information, including what to do if you have any side effects, see Section [6. Are there any side effects?](#) in the full CMI.



# SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN

**Active ingredient(s):** *[Sitagliptin (as hydrochloride monohydrate) and metformin (as hydrochloride)]*

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## Consumer Medicine Information (CMI)

This leaflet provides important information about taking SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN. **You should also speak to your doctor or pharmacist if you would like further information or if you have any concerns or questions about using SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN.**

**Where to find information in this leaflet:**

- [1. Why am I taking SITAGLIPTIN/ METFORMIN MYLAN?](#)
- [2. What should I know before I take SITAGLIPTIN/ METFORMIN MYLAN?](#)
- [3. What if I am taking other medicines?](#)
- [4. How do I take SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN?](#)
- [5. What should I know while taking SITAGLIPTIN/ METFORMIN MYLAN?](#)
- [6. Are there any side effects?](#)
- [7. Product details](#)

## **1. Why am I taking SITAGLIPTIN/ METFORMIN MYLAN?**

**SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN contains two active ingredients: sitagliptin and metformin.**

Sitagliptin is a member of a class of medicines you take by mouth called DPP-4 inhibitors (dipeptidyl peptidase-4 inhibitors) and metformin which belongs to a class of medicines called biguanides. Sitagliptin and metformin work together to control blood sugar levels in adults with type 2 diabetes mellitus.

**SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN is used to lower blood sugar levels in adults with type 2 diabetes mellitus. SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN can be taken alone or in combination with certain other medicines that lower blood sugar along with a recommended diet and exercise program.**

## **2. What should I know before I take SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN?**

### **Warnings**

**Do not take SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN if:**

- you are allergic to sitagliptin or metformin, or any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.

- Always check the ingredients to make sure you can take this medicine.

### **Check with your doctor if you:**

- have or have had type 1 diabetes mellitus or
- have or have had increased ketones in the blood or urine (diabetic ketoacidosis).
- have or have had severe kidney problems
- have any liver or heart problems including congestive heart failure, or any past or present medical problems.
- drink excessive alcohol (all the time or short term "binge" drinking).
- are going to get or receive an injection of dye or contrast agent for an X-ray procedure, or if you plan to have surgery. Talk to your doctor about when to stop SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN and when to start again.
- take any medicines for any other condition.

During treatment, you may be at risk of developing certain side effects. It is important you understand these risks and how to monitor for them. See additional information under Section [6. Are there any side effects?](#)

### **Pregnancy and breastfeeding**

Check with your doctor if you are pregnant or intend to become pregnant. SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN is not recommended for use during pregnancy.



Talk to your doctor if you are breastfeeding or intend to breastfeed. You should not take SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN while breastfeeding or if planning to breastfeed.

## **Children**

Children and adolescents below 18 years should not use this medicine. SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN is not effective in children and adolescents 10 to 17 years of age with type 2 diabetes. SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN has not been studied in children younger than 10 years of age.

### **3. What if I am taking other medicines?**

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking any other medicines, including any medicines, vitamins or supplements that you buy without a prescription from your pharmacy, supermarket or health food shop.

Medicines that may cause low blood sugar when used in combination with SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN include:

- Sulfonylureas
- Insulin

A reduction in the amount of the sulfonylurea or insulin may be required.

**Some medicines may interfere with SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN and affect how it works.**

**Check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure about what medicines, vitamins or supplements you are taking and if these affect SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN.**

## **4. How do I take SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN?**

### **How much to take**

- Your doctor will tell you how many SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN tablets to take and how often to take them.
- Take SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN with meals to lower your chance of an upset stomach.
- Follow the instructions provided and use SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN until your doctor tells you to stop.

### **When to take SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN**

- SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN should be used at about the same time each day.

### **If you forget to take SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN**

SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN should be taken regularly at the same time each day. If you miss your dose at the usual time, take it as soon as you remember.

**If it is almost time for your next dose, skip the dose you missed and take your next dose when you are meant to.**

**Do not take a double dose to make up for the dose you missed.**

## **If you take too much SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN**

If you think that you have used too much SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN, you may need urgent medical attention.

### **You should immediately:**

- phone the Poisons Information Centre (**by calling 13 11 26**), or
- contact your doctor, or
- go to the Emergency Department at your nearest hospital.

**You should do this even if there are no signs of discomfort or poisoning.**

## **5. What should I know while taking SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN?**

### **Things you should do**

#### **Call your doctor straight away if you:**

- Become pregnant while taking SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN, or

#### **Tell your doctor if you:**

- Become ill
- Become dehydrated
- Are injured
- Have a fever
- Have a serious infection
- Plan to have surgery

Your blood glucose may become difficult to control at these times. You may also be at greater risk of developing a serious condition called lactic acidosis. During these times, your doctor may temporarily replace SITAGLIPTIN/ METFORMIN MYLAN with insulin.

Remind any doctor, dentist or pharmacist you visit that you are using SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN.

#### **Low blood sugar or high blood sugar**

Make sure that you, your friends, family and work colleagues can recognise the symptoms of low blood sugar and high blood sugar and know how to treat them.

## **Low blood sugar**

Signs of low blood sugar may include:

- Weakness, trembling or shaking
- Sweating
- Light-headedness, dizziness, headache or lack of concentration
- Irritability, tearfulness or crying
- Hunger
- Numbness around the lips and tongue

If not treated quickly, these symptoms may progress to:

- Loss of co-ordination
- Slurred speech
- Confusion
- Fits or loss of consciousness

At the first signs of low blood sugar, you need to raise your blood glucose quickly. You can do this by taking one of the following:

- 5-7 jelly beans
- 3 teaspoons of sugar or honey
- Half a can of non-diet soft drink
- 2-3 concentrated glucose tablets

Unless you are within 10 to 15 minutes of your next meal or snack, follow up with extra carbohydrates such as plain biscuits, fruit or milk.

Taking this extra carbohydrate will prevent a second drop in your blood glucose level.

## **High blood sugar**

If you notice any signs of high blood sugar, contact your doctor immediately.

The risk of high blood sugar is increased with:

- Uncontrolled diabetes
- Illness, infection or stress
- Taking less SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN than prescribed
- Taking certain other medicines
- Too little exercises
- Eating more carbohydrates than normal.

Your blood glucose sugar may become difficult to control at these times. You may also be at greater risk of developing a serious condition called lactic acidosis. During these times, your doctor may temporarily replace SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN with insulin.

Stop taking SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN if you have symptoms of lactic acidosis, such as feeling very weak and tired, unusual (not normal) muscle pain, trouble breathing, stomach pain with nausea and vomiting, or diarrhoea, feeling cold, especially in your arms and legs, feeling dizzy or lightheaded, a slow or irregular heart beat or your medical condition suddenly changes.

Diet and exercise can help your body use its blood sugar better. It is important to stay on your doctor's recommended diet, exercise and weight loss program while taking SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN.

Make sure you check your blood glucose sugar levels regularly.

Visit your doctor for regular checks of your eyes, feet, kidneys, heart, circulation, blood and blood pressure.

See your doctor once a year for a check on your body's level of vitamin B12.

If you are about to be started on any new medicine, tell your doctor and pharmacist that you are taking SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN.

Remind any doctor, dentist or pharmacist you visit that you are taking SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN.

## **Things you should not do**

- Do not stop using this medicine suddenly or change your dose without checking with your doctor.
- Do not skip meals while taking SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN.
- Do not give SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN to anyone else, even if they have the same condition as you.

## **Driving or using machines**

There is no information to suggest that SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN affects your ability to drive a car or operate machinery.

## **Drinking alcohol**

**Tell your doctor if you drink alcohol.**

## **Looking after your medicine**

- Keep your tablets in the blister pack until it is time to take them.

Follow the instructions in the carton on how to take care of your medicine properly.

Store it in a cool dry place away from moisture, heat or sunlight; for example, do not store it:

- in the bathroom or near a sink, or
- in the car or on window sills.

**Keep it where young children cannot reach it.**

## **Getting rid of any unwanted medicine**

If you no longer need to use this medicine or it is out of date, take it to any pharmacy for safe disposal.

Do not use this medicine after the expiry date.

## **6. Are there any side effects?**

All medicines can have side effects. If you do experience any side effects, most of them are minor and temporary. However, some side effects may need medical attention.



See the information below and, if you need to, ask your doctor or pharmacist if you have any further questions about side effects.

## Less serious side effects

Less serious side effects	What to do
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Signs of an infection of the breathing passages, including runny nose, sore throat, cough</li> <li>● Nausea, vomiting, stomach discomfort, diarrhoea or constipation</li> <li>● Headache</li> <li>● Muscle aches or joint, arm, leg or back pain</li> <li>● Itching or blisters</li> </ul>	<p><b>Speak to your doctor if you have any of these less serious side effects and they worry you.</b></p>

## Serious side effects

Serious side effects	What to do
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Allergic reactions including rash, hives, and swelling of the face, lips, tongue, and throat that may cause difficulty in breathing or swallowing.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Stop taking SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN.</b></p> <p><b>Call your doctor straight away, or go straight to the Emergency Department at your</b></p>

<b>Serious side effects</b>	<b>What to do</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Severe and persistent stomach pain, often with nausea and vomiting. These may be symptoms of pancreatitis. Pancreatitis can be a serious, potentially life-threatening medical condition.</li> <li>● Kidney problems (sometimes requiring dialysis)</li> <li>● Itching, blisters or the breakdown of your skin (erosion) to serious AEs.</li> <li>● Low blood sugar when SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN is used in combination with a sulfonylurea medicine or with insulin.</li> </ul>	<p><b>nearest hospital if you notice any of these serious side effects.</b></p>

**Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you notice anything else that may be making you feel unwell.**

Other side effects not listed here may occur in some people.

## Reporting side effects

After you have received medical advice for any side effects you experience, you can report side effects to the Therapeutic Goods Administration online at [www.tga.gov.au/reporting-problems](http://www.tga.gov.au/reporting-problems). By reporting side effects, you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

**Always make sure you speak to your doctor or pharmacist before you decide to stop taking any of your medicines.**

## 7. Product details

This medicine is only available with a doctor's prescription.

### What SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN contains

<b>Active ingredient (main ingredient)</b>	Sitagliptin 50 mg and metformin 500, 850 or 1000 mg per tablet
<b>Other ingredients (inactive ingredients)</b>	Microcrystalline cellulose Povidone Sodium lauryl sulfate Sodium stearyl fumarate

	Polyvinyl alcohol Macrogol 3350 Purified talc Titanium dioxide Iron oxide red Iron oxide black Iron oxide yellow Hypromellose Triacetin Lactose monohydrate
<b>Potential allergens</b>	<u>50 mg/850 mg tablet strength</u> lactose

**Do not take this medicine if you are allergic to any of these ingredients.**

### **What SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN looks like**

SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN 50 mg/500 mg – Oval-shaped, orange colour biconvex film-coated tablets debossed with "S475" on one side and plain on other side. (AUST R 386880)

SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN 50 mg/850 mg –  
Oval-shaped, pink colour biconvex, film-coated tablets  
debossed with "S476" on one side and plain on other  
side. (AUST R 386881)

SITAGLIPTIN/METFORMIN MYLAN 50 mg/1000 mg –  
Oval-shaped, brown colour biconvex, film coated tablets  
debossed with "S477" on one side and plain on other  
side (AUST R 386882)

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