

You've been diagnosed with *Helicobacter pylori* (*H. pylori*). What now?

Getting rid of *H. pylori*—why and how



What is *H. pylori*? Is it dangerous?

H. pylori is a bacteria that can cause an infection in your stomach. *H. pylori* can irritate the lining of your stomach and can cause a variety of symptoms including stomach pain and nausea.

If left untreated, *H. pylori* infection can cause ulcers, which are painful, open sores in your stomach lining that can bleed. Studies have also shown that people infected with *H. pylori* are also more likely to develop stomach cancer. Getting rid of *H. pylori* from your stomach may reduce the risk of developing stomach irritation, ulcers and stomach cancer.

What is Talicia?

If your doctor has prescribed Talicia for you, then you've been diagnosed with an *H. pylori* infection. Talicia is for the treatment of *H. pylori* infection in adults. It is made up of three medications all combined into one capsule. Talicia includes 2 antibiotics and a medication which helps reduce stomach acid and makes it easier for the antibiotics to kill the *H. pylori* bacteria.

How should I take Talicia?

Talicia should be taken as 4 capsules every 8 hours with food for 14 days. Capsules should be swallowed whole. Do not chew or crush capsules and do not take Talicia with alcohol.

If you miss a dose, take that dose as soon as possible. If the next dose is due when you realize you missed a dose, take that dose on time. Do not take two doses at one time to make up for a missed dose.

Why is it important that I finish taking Talicia as directed?

You may feel better before the end of the 14 days. However, *H. pylori* is a very tough bacteria that can survive if not completely cleared from your stomach.

Talicia should be taken exactly as directed for the entire 14 days. Skipping doses or not completing the therapy may not rid *H. pylori* from your stomach and may increase the potential for antibiotic resistance in the future. You should also follow up with your healthcare provider and complete any testing they recommend after completing Talicia.

**Please see full Prescribing Information
and IMPORTANT PATIENT SAFETY INFORMATION
on reverse.**

 **Talicia**[®]
(omeprazole magnesium,
amoxicillin, and rifabutin)
delayed-release capsules

IMPORTANT PATIENT SAFETY INFORMATION

Tell your healthcare provider about all of the medicines you take, including prescription or non-prescription medications or herbal supplements before starting Talicia. Talicia may affect the way other medicines work, and other medicines may affect the way Talicia works. Do not start any new medications while taking Talicia without first speaking with your healthcare provider.



- You should not take Talicia if you are known to be sensitive to any of the components of Talicia (omeprazole, amoxicillin, rifabutin), penicillins, proton pump inhibitors or rifamycins.
- You should not take Talicia if you are taking rilpivirine-containing products, delavirdine or voriconazole

Before you take Talicia, tell your healthcare provider about all of your medical conditions, including if you:

- Are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. Talicia may harm your unborn baby. Tell your healthcare provider if you become pregnant or think you may be pregnant during your treatment with Talicia.
- Have severe kidney disease or liver disease

When taking Talicia, do not crush or chew capsules. Do not take Talicia with alcohol.

Call your healthcare provider immediately if while taking Talicia you develop:

- New rash or other skin changes, muscle or joint pains, swelling of any area of the body, severe flu-like symptoms, difficulty breathing, fever, blood in your urine, increased or decreased urination, drowsiness, confusion, nausea, vomiting, ongoing stomach pain, bloody diarrhea, or if diarrhea continues after therapy is completed, weight gain or changes in your eyesight.

What are the common side effects of Talicia?

- The most common side effects of Talicia are diarrhea, headache, nausea, stomach pain, rash, indigestion, mouth or throat pain, vomiting, and vaginal yeast infection. Call your healthcare professional for medical advice about side effects.
- Tell your healthcare provider if you experience tiredness, weakness, achiness, headaches, dizziness, depression, increased sensitivity to light or pain when taking a deep breath.
- Talicia may reduce the effectiveness of oral or other forms of hormonal birth-control. You should use an additional non-hormonal highly effective method of birth control while taking Talicia.
- You may experience a brown-orange discoloration of your urine or tears while taking Talicia.

The information provided here is not comprehensive. Talk to your healthcare provider to learn more. Visit www.talicia.com for prescribing information.

You are encouraged to report side effects to **FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088** or www.fda.gov/medwatch