

Ticagrelor



How does it work?

Ticagrelor helps prevent platelets, a type of blood cell, from clumping together and forming blood clots.

What is it used for?

It is used before and after a stent is placed in a blood vessel. The stent opens up the vessel so that blood gets to the heart muscle.



Are there any Side Effects?

Some effects that people have had while taking this medicine include:

- Headache/dizziness
- Constipation/diarrhea
- Bruising

Let your doctor/nurse practitioner (NP) know if you have:

- Bloody or black tarry stools
- Difficulty breathing
- Swelling of your legs/ankles
- Rash
- Irregular heart beat
- Chest pain

Be sure to let your dentist or doctor/NP know you are taking Ticagrelor.



How Do I Take It?

It is taken twice daily. It may be taken with or without food. Swallow it whole with water. It is best to take it at the same time each day.

If you missed a dose, take it as soon as possible. If it is almost time for the next dose, skip the dose and return to your regular schedule. Do not take double doses.

The length of time it is taken depends on the condition being treated. Your doctor/NP will tell you how long you are to take it.

Do NOT stop taking this medicine without checking with your doctor/NP first.

Be sure to fill your prescription as soon as possible when you leave the hospital.

Other name for Ticagrelor:

- Brilinta

Please note that this information sheet does not contain complete information about Ticagrelor. If you need more information about this medicine, be sure to ask your doctor/NP or pharmacist.