

# DISCUSS IBS-D\* WITH YOUR DOCTOR

\*IBS-D: irritable bowel syndrome with diarrhea



When it comes to IBS-D symptoms, talking to your doctor can involve a whole different kind of discomfort. But it's an essential step in arriving at the treatment plan that is best for you.

You can use this conversation guide to help you communicate effectively and cover the information he or she needs. Every detail matters!

**Xifaxan**<sup>®</sup>  
rifaximin 550 mg tablets

## INFORMATION FOR YOUR DOCTOR

Before you go to your appointment, prepare a list of your specific symptoms so you can give your doctor complete information. Use this checklist:

- I experience abdominal pain \_\_\_\_ times per week
- When I have diarrhea, I have \_\_\_\_ bowel movements per day
- I have diarrhea or loose stools \_\_\_\_ days per month

Have you experienced any of the following?

- rectal bleeding
- sudden weight loss
- family history of colon cancer

## SUGGESTED QUESTIONS FOR YOUR DOCTOR

Could my symptoms of diarrhea and abdominal pain be IBS-D?  
Is XIFAXAN right for me?

### INDICATION

XIFAXAN<sup>®</sup> (rifaximin) 550 mg tablets are indicated for the treatment of irritable bowel syndrome with diarrhea (IBS-D) in adults.

### IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

- XIFAXAN is not for everyone. Do not take XIFAXAN if you have a known hypersensitivity to rifaximin, any of the rifamycin antimicrobial agents, or any of the components in XIFAXAN.
- If you take antibiotics, like XIFAXAN, there is a chance you could experience diarrhea caused by an overgrowth of bacteria (*C. difficile*). This can cause symptoms ranging in severity from mild diarrhea to life-threatening colitis. Contact your healthcare provider if your diarrhea does not improve or worsens.
- Talk to your healthcare provider before taking XIFAXAN if you have severe hepatic (liver) impairment, as this may cause increased effects of the medicine.
- Tell your healthcare provider if you are taking drugs called P-glycoprotein and/or OATPs inhibitors (such as cyclosporine) because using these drugs with XIFAXAN may lead to an increase in the amount of XIFAXAN absorbed by your body.

Do you take any medicines (prescription or over-the counter) or supplements for your symptoms? **YES/NO**

If you answered **YES**, which medicines do you take?

Medicine: \_\_\_\_\_

Frequency: \_\_\_\_\_ times per week

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Are there any side effects to XIFAXAN?

Can I take other medications with XIFAXAN?

- In clinical studies, the most common side effects of XIFAXAN in IBS-D were nausea (feeling sick to your stomach) and an increase in liver enzymes.
- XIFAXAN may affect warfarin activity when taken together. Tell your healthcare provider if you are taking warfarin because the dose of warfarin may need to be adjusted to maintain proper blood-thinning effect.
- If you are pregnant, planning to become pregnant, or nursing, talk to your healthcare provider before taking XIFAXAN because XIFAXAN may cause harm to an unbornbaby or nursing infant.

You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit [www.fda.gov/medwatch/](http://www.fda.gov/medwatch/) or call 1-800-FDA-1088.

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