

Robaxin (methocarbamol) basics

Relaxes your muscles. Robaxin (methocarbamol) effectively relieves muscle spasms, but it can cause drowsiness and interfere with your ability to drive.

What to expect when starting

Here's when people typically experience benefits as well as some possible side effects. Your experience may be different.

	Hours	Days	Weeks	Months	Long term
Robaxin (methocarbamol) Drug effectiveness					
Possible side effects†					
Dizziness					
Drowsiness					
Upset stomach					
Headache					

† Data on frequency of side effects is not available.

Tips from pharmacists

- Starts working in about 30 minutes.
- If it is difficult for you to swallow the pills, you can crush and mix them with food or liquid.
- Robaxin (methocarbamol) can make you feel very tired or sleepy. Don't drive or do anything that requires you to be mentally alert until you know how the medicine can fully affect you.
- While taking Robaxin (methocarbamol), avoid drinking alcohol or taking other medicines that can cause drowsiness.

Risks and warnings

Contact your doctor if you experience any of these.

Drowsiness

Robaxin (methocarbamol) can make you feel sleepy, especially if you're taking other medicines that also cause drowsiness. Avoid drinking alcohol while you are on this medicine. Also, you shouldn't drive or do other activities that require concentration until you know how Robaxin (methocarbamol) can fully affect you. Before starting any new medicine, speak with your doctor or pharmacist first.

Harm to fetus (unborn baby)

Robaxin (methocarbamol) can increase the risk of problems in a developing fetus if you take it while pregnant. Talk with your doctor or pharmacist about what's safe and will work best for you while pregnant.