

# Zurampic (lesinurad) basics

**Treats gout.** Zurampic (lesinurad) is used to treat gout, but you must take it with either allopurinol or Uloric.

## 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
<b>Zurampic (lesinurad)</b> Drug effectiveness					
<b>Possible side effects</b>					
<b>Headache</b> 5% chance vs. 4% placebo*					
<b>Flu</b> 5% chance vs. 3% placebo*					
<b>Heartburn (acid reflux)</b> 3% chance vs. 1% placebo*					

\* Placebo is a sugar pill with no medicinal benefit.

## Tips from pharmacists

- Should take Zurampic (lesinurad) with allopurinol or Uloric. If you stop taking allopurinol or Uloric, you should also stop taking Zurampic (lesinurad).
- Take one Zurampic (lesinurad) pill each morning at the same time as your allopurinol or Uloric.
- Take Zurampic (lesinurad) with food and water. It is important to stay hydrated while on this medication.
- Do not stop taking Zurampic (lesinurad) even if you have a gout flare.
- If you miss your morning Zurampic (lesinurad) dose, do not take it later in the day. Wait until your next dose, and do not try to double up your dose to make up for the missed dose.

## Risks and warnings

The FDA has identified these as possible serious or life-threatening risks with this medication. Contact your doctor if you experience any of these.

### Kidney damage

While taking Zurampic (lesinurad), people have had kidney failure, especially those who took the medicine alone. Zurampic (lesinurad) should always be used together with a xanthine oxidase inhibitor (like allopurinol or Uloric). If you have symptoms of nausea, vomiting, or pain in your back or upper abdomen, tell your doctor right away.

### Heart attack or stroke

Studies show that people have had serious side effects including heart attack and stroke. However, it's not clear if Zurampic (lesinurad) directly caused these side effects.

### Increased gout attacks

People on Zurampic (lesinurad) can have more gout attacks when they start taking it for the first few weeks. This is common. Talk to your doctor so they can prescribe other medicines to stop the attacks from happening.