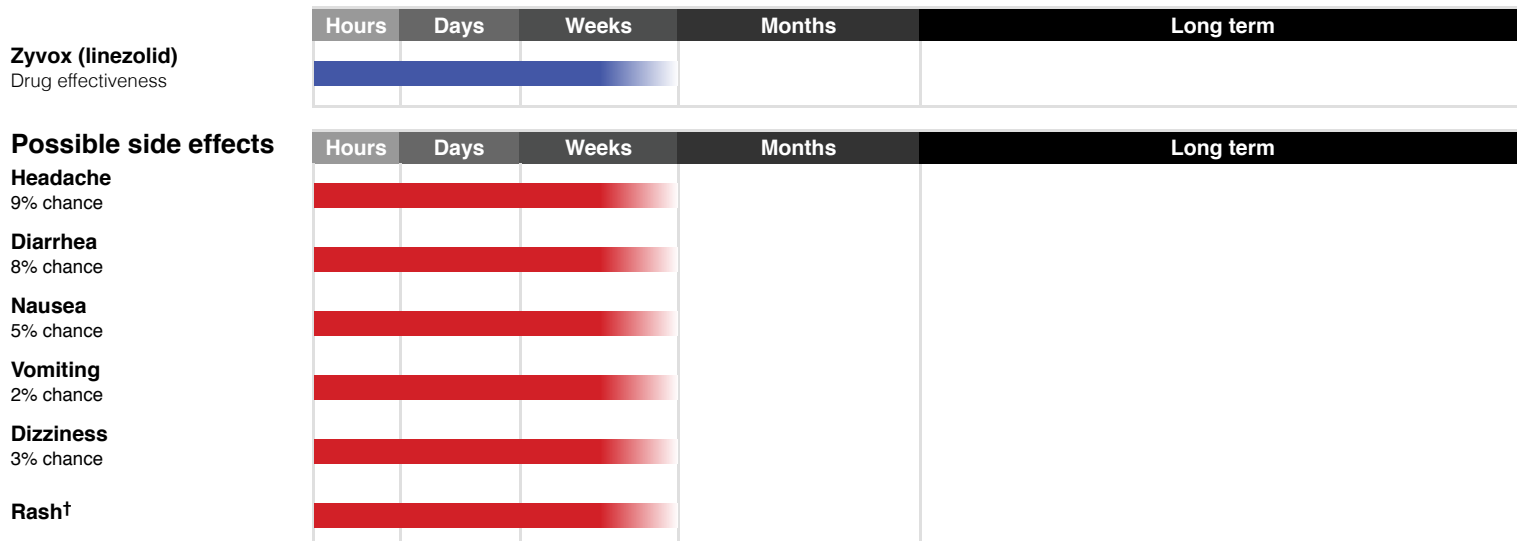


Zyvox (linezolid) basics

Treats bacterial infections. Zyvox (linezolid) is good first-choice treatment for serious infections caused by gram positive bacteria.

What to expect when starting

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



† Data on frequency of side effects is not available.

Tips from pharmacists

- Take with food if it causes an upset stomach.
- Do not skip any doses and finish the full course of treatment even if you feel better.
- Let your doctor know if you're on any anti-depressants before taking Zyvox (linezolid).
- Avoid eating excessive amounts of cheese, processed meats, alcohol, or soy sauce while on Zyvox (linezolid) because it can increase your blood pressure to a dangerous level.

Risks and warnings

Contact your doctor if you experience any of these.

Blood and bone marrow problems

Zyvox (linezolid) may decrease the production of new blood cells in your bone marrow. This will make you more likely to catch an infection or bleed. Tell your doctor right away about any fever, sore throat, shortness of breath, or fatigue.

Nerve and eye damage

Zyvox (linezolid) can damage the nerves in your eyes, especially if used for longer than 28 days. Talk to your doctor if you experience any changes in your vision. Check in with an optometrist if you're taking Zyvox (linezolid) for an extended period of time.

Serotonin syndrome

Taking Zyvox (linezolid) with other medications can lead to serotonin syndrome. Symptoms can include sudden changes in thought, mood, and movement, abnormal heartbeat, vomiting, fever, or high blood pressure. Talk to your doctor if you notice any of these side effects.