

1613 **using the wrong drug or formulation, patients should be strongly advised to visually**
1614 **inspect their tablets to verify that they are LAMICTAL, as well as the correct formulation**
1615 **of LAMICTAL, each time they fill their prescription** [*see Dosage Forms and Strengths (3.1,*
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1639 MEDICATION GUIDE

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1641 **LAMICTAL[®] (la-MIK-tal) (lamotrigine) Tablets and Chewable Dispersible Tablets**
1642 **LAMICTAL[®] ODT[™] (lamotrigine) Orally Disintegrating Tablets**

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1644 Read this Medication Guide before you start taking LAMICTAL and each time you get a refill.
1645 There may be new information. This information does not take the place of talking with your
1646 healthcare provider about your medical condition or treatment. If you have questions about
1647 LAMICTAL, ask your healthcare provider or pharmacist.

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1649 **What is the most important information I should know about LAMICTAL?**

1650 **1. LAMICTAL may cause a serious skin rash that may cause you to be hospitalized or to**
1651 **stop LAMICTAL; it may rarely cause death.**

1652 There is no way to tell if a mild rash will develop into a more serious reaction. These serious
1653 skin reactions are more likely to happen when you begin taking LAMICTAL, within the first
1654 2 to 8 weeks of treatment. But it can happen in people who have taken LAMICTAL for any
1655 period of time. Children between 2 to 16 years of age have a higher chance of getting this
1656 serious skin reaction while taking LAMICTAL.

1657 The risk of getting a rash is higher if you:

- 1658 • take LAMICTAL while taking valproate [DEPAKENE (valproic acid) or DEPAKOTE
- 1659 (divalproex sodium)].
- 1660 • take a higher starting dose of LAMICTAL than your healthcare provider prescribed
- 1661 • increase your dose of LAMICTAL faster than prescribed.

1662 **LAMICTAL can also cause other types of allergic reactions or serious problems which**
1663 **may affect organs and other parts of your body like the liver or blood cells. You may or**
1664 **may not have a rash with these types of reactions.**

1665 **Call your healthcare provider right away if you have any of the following:**

- 1666 • a skin rash
- 1667 • hives
- 1668 • fever
- 1669 • swollen lymph glands
- 1670 • painful sores in the mouth or around your eyes
- 1671 • swelling of your lips or tongue
- 1672 • yellowing of your skin or eyes
- 1673 • unusual bruising or bleeding
- 1674 • severe fatigue or weakness
- 1675 • severe muscle pain
- 1676 • frequent infections

1677 These symptoms may be the first signs of a serious reaction. A healthcare provider should
1678 examine you to decide if you should continue taking LAMICTAL.

1679 **2. Like other antiepileptic drugs, LAMICTAL may cause suicidal thoughts or actions in a**
1680 **very small number of people, about 1 in 500.**

1681 **Call a healthcare provider right away if you have any of these symptoms, especially if**
1682 **they are new, worse, or worry you:**

- 1683 • thoughts about suicide or dying
- 1684 • attempt to commit suicide
- 1685 • new or worse depression
- 1686 • new or worse anxiety

- 1687 • feeling agitated or restless
- 1688 • panic attacks
- 1689 • trouble sleeping (insomnia)
- 1690 • new or worse irritability
- 1691 • acting aggressive, being angry, or violent
- 1692 • acting on dangerous impulses
- 1693 • an extreme increase in activity and talking (mania)
- 1694 • other unusual changes in behavior or mood

1695 **Do not stop LAMICTAL without first talking to a healthcare provider.**

- 1696 • Stopping LAMICTAL suddenly can cause serious problems.
- 1697 • Suicidal thoughts or actions can be caused by things other than medicines. If you have
- 1698 suicidal thoughts or actions, your healthcare provider may check for other causes.

1699 **How can I watch for early symptoms of suicidal thoughts and actions?**

- 1700 • Pay attention to any changes, especially sudden changes, in mood, behaviors, thoughts, or
- 1701 feelings.
- 1702 • Keep all follow-up visits with your healthcare provider as scheduled.
- 1703 • Call your healthcare provider between visits as needed, especially if you are worried
- 1704 about symptoms.

1705 **3. LAMICTAL may rarely cause aseptic meningitis, a serious inflammation of the**

1706 **protective membrane that covers the brain and spinal cord.**

1707 **Call your healthcare provider right away if you have any of the following symptoms:**

- 1708 • Headache
- 1709 • Fever
- 1710 • Nausea
- 1711 • Vomiting
- 1712 • Stiff neck
- 1713 • Rash
- 1714 • Unusual sensitivity to light
- 1715 • Muscle pains
- 1716 • Chills
- 1717 • Confusion
- 1718 • Drowsiness

1719 Meningitis has many causes other than LAMICTAL, which your doctor would check for if

1720 you developed meningitis while taking LAMICTAL.

1721 **LAMICTAL can have other serious side effects.** For more information ask your healthcare

1722 provider or pharmacist. Tell your healthcare provider if you have any side effect that bothers

1723 you. Be sure to read the section below entitled “What are the possible side effects of
 1724 LAMICTAL?”

1725 **4. Patients prescribed LAMICTAL have sometimes been given the wrong medicine**
 1726 **because many medicines have names similar to LAMICTAL, so always check that you**
 1727 **receive LAMICTAL.**

1728 Taking the wrong medication can cause serious health problems. When your healthcare
 1729 provider gives you a prescription for LAMICTAL:

- 1730 • Make sure you can read it clearly.
- 1731 • Talk to your pharmacist to check that you are given the correct medicine.
- 1732 • Each time you fill your prescription, check the tablets you receive against the pictures of
 1733 the tablets below.

1734 These pictures show the distinct wording, colors, and shapes of the tablets that help to
 1735 identify the right strength of LAMICTAL Tablets, Chewable Dispersible Tablets, and
 1736 Orally Disintegrating Tablets. Immediately call your pharmacist if you receive a
 1737 LAMICTAL tablet that does not look like one of the tablets shown below, as you may
 1738 have received the wrong medication.

1739 **LAMICTAL (lamotrigine) Tablets**

			
25 mg, white	100 mg, peach	150 mg, cream	200 mg, blue
Imprinted with LAMICTAL 25	Imprinted with LAMICTAL 100	Imprinted with LAMICTAL 150	Imprinted with LAMICTAL 200

1740 **LAMICTAL (lamotrigine) Chewable Dispersible Tablets**

		
2 mg, white	5 mg, white	25 mg, white
Imprinted with LTG 2	Imprinted with GX CL2	Imprinted with GX CL5

1741 **LAMICTAL ODT (lamotrigine) Orally Disintegrating Tablets**

			
25 mg, white to off-white	50 mg, white to off-white	100 mg, white to off-white	200 mg, white to off-white

Imprinted with LMT on one side 25 on the other	Imprinted with LMT on one side 50 on the other	Imprinted with LAMICTAL on one side 100 on the other	Imprinted with LAMICTAL on one side 200 on the other
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1743 **What is LAMICTAL?**

1744 LAMICTAL is a prescription medicine used:

- 1745 1. together with other medicines to treat certain types of seizures (partial seizures, primary
1746 generalized tonic-clonic seizures, generalized seizures of Lennox-Gastaut syndrome) in
1747 people 2 years or older.
- 1748 2. alone when changing from other medicines used to treat partial seizures in people 16 years or
1749 older.
- 1750 3. for the long-term treatment of Bipolar I Disorder to lengthen the time between mood
1751 episodes in people 18 years or older who have been treated for mood episodes with other
1752 medicine.

1753 It is not known if LAMICTAL is safe or effective in children or teenagers under the age of 18
1754 with mood disorders such as bipolar disorder or depression.

1755 It is not known if LAMICTAL is safe or effective when used alone as the first treatment of
1756 seizures in adults.

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1758 **Who should not take LAMICTAL?**

1759 You should not take LAMICTAL if you have had an allergic reaction to lamotrigine or to any of
1760 the inactive ingredients in LAMICTAL. See the end of this leaflet for a complete list of
1761 ingredients in LAMICTAL.

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1763 **What should I tell my healthcare provider before taking LAMICTAL?**

1764 Before taking LAMICTAL, tell your healthcare provider about all of your medical conditions,
1765 including if you:

- 1766 • have had a rash or allergic reaction to another antiseizure medicine.
- 1767 • have or have had depression, mood problems or suicidal thoughts or behavior.
- 1768 • are taking oral contraceptives (birth control pills) or other female hormonal medicines. Do
1769 not start or stop taking birth control pills or other female hormonal medicine until you have
1770 talked with your healthcare provider. Tell your healthcare provider if you have any changes
1771 in your menstrual pattern such as breakthrough bleeding. Stopping or starting these
1772 medicines may cause side effects (such as dizziness, lack of coordination, or double vision)
1773 or lessen how well LAMICTAL works.

- 1774 • are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. It is not known if LAMICTAL will harm your
1775 unborn baby. If you become pregnant while taking LAMICTAL, talk to your healthcare
1776 provider about registering with the North American Antiepileptic Drug Pregnancy Registry.
1777 You can enroll in this registry by calling 1-888-233-2334. The purpose of this registry is to
1778 collect information about the safety of antiepileptic drugs during pregnancy.
- 1779 • are breastfeeding. LAMICTAL passes into breast milk and may cause side effects in a
1780 breastfed baby. If you breastfeed while taking LAMICTAL, watch your baby closely for
1781 trouble breathing, episodes of temporarily stopping breathing, sleepiness, or poor sucking.
1782 Call your baby's healthcare provider right away if you see any of these problems. Talk to
1783 your healthcare provider about the best way to feed your baby if you take LAMICTAL.

1784 Tell your healthcare provider about all the medicines you take or if you are planning to take a
1785 new medicine, including prescription and non-prescription medicines, vitamins, and herbal
1786 supplements. Using LAMICTAL with certain other medicines can affect each other, causing side
1787 effects.

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1789 **How should I take LAMICTAL?**

- 1790 • Take LAMICTAL exactly as prescribed.
- 1791 • Your healthcare provider may change your dose. Do not change your dose without talking to
1792 your healthcare provider.
- 1793 • Do not stop taking LAMICTAL without talking to your healthcare provider. Stopping
1794 LAMICTAL suddenly may cause serious problems. For example, if you have epilepsy and
1795 you stop taking LAMICTAL suddenly, you may get seizures that do not stop. Talk with your
1796 healthcare provider about how to stop LAMICTAL slowly.
- 1797 • If you miss a dose of LAMICTAL, take it as soon as you remember. If it is almost time for
1798 your next dose, just skip the missed dose. Take the next dose at your regular time. **Do not**
1799 **take two doses at the same time.**
- 1800 • You may not feel the full effect of LAMICTAL for several weeks.
- 1801 • If you have epilepsy, tell your healthcare provider if your seizures get worse or if you have
1802 any new types of seizures.
- 1803 • Swallow LAMICTAL tablets whole.
- 1804 • If you have trouble swallowing LAMICTAL Tablets, there may be another form of
1805 LAMICTAL you can take.
- 1806 • LAMICTAL ODT should be placed on the tongue and moved around the mouth. The tablet
1807 will rapidly disintegrate, can be swallowed with or without water, and can be taken with or
1808 without food.
- 1809 • LAMICTAL Chewable Dispersible tablets may be swallowed whole, chewed, or mixed in
1810 water or diluted fruit juice. If the tablets are chewed, drink a small amount of water or diluted
1811 fruit juice to help in swallowing. To break up LAMICTAL Chewable Dispersible tablets, add
1812 the tablets to a small amount of liquid (1 teaspoon, or enough to cover the medicine) in a

1813 glass or spoon. Wait at least 1 minute or until the tablets are completely broken up, mix the
1814 solution together and take the whole amount right away.
1815 • If you receive LAMICTAL in a blisterpack, examine the blisterpack before use. Do not use if
1816 blisters are torn, broken, or missing.

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1818 **What should I avoid while taking LAMICTAL?**

1819 • Do not drive a car or operate complex, hazardous machinery until you know how
1820 LAMICTAL affects you.

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1822 **What are possible side effects of LAMICTAL?**

1823 • See “What is the most important information I should know about LAMICTAL?”

1824 Common side effects of LAMICTAL include:

• dizziness	• tremor
• headache	• rash
• blurred or double vision	• fever
• lack of coordination	• abdominal pain
• sleepiness	• back pain
• nausea, vomiting	• tiredness
• insomnia	• dry mouth

1825 Tell your healthcare provider about any side effect that bothers you or that does not go away.

1826 These are not all the possible side effects of LAMICTAL. For more information, ask your
1827 healthcare provider or pharmacist.

1828 Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-
1829 800-FDA-1088.

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1831 **How should I store LAMICTAL?**

1832 • Store LAMICTAL at room temperature between 68°F to 77°F (20°C to 25°C).

1833 • **Keep LAMICTAL and all medicines out of the reach of children.**

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1835 **General information about LAMICTAL**

1836 Medicines are sometimes prescribed for purposes other than those listed in a Medication Guide.

1837 Do not use LAMICTAL for a condition for which it was not prescribed. Do not give

1838 LAMICTAL to other people, even if they have the same symptoms you have. It may harm them.

1839 This Medication Guide summarizes the most important information about LAMICTAL. If you
1840 would like more information, talk with your healthcare provider. You can ask your healthcare
1841 provider or pharmacist for information about LAMICTAL that is written for healthcare
1842 professionals.

1843 For more information, go to www.lamictal.com or call 1-888-825-5249.

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1845 **What are the ingredients in LAMICTAL?**

1846 **LAMICTAL Tablets**

1847 Active ingredient: lamotrigine.

1848 Inactive ingredients: lactose; magnesium stearate, microcrystalline cellulose, povidone, sodium
1849 starch glycolate, FD&C Yellow No. 6 Lake (100-mg tablet only), ferric oxide, yellow (150-mg
1850 tablet only), and FD&C Blue No. 2 Lake (200-mg tablet only).

1851 **LAMICTAL Chewable Dispersible Tablets**

1852 Active ingredient: lamotrigine.

1853 Inactive ingredients: blackcurrant flavor, calcium carbonate, low-substituted
1854 hydroxypropylcellulose, magnesium aluminum silicate, magnesium stearate, povidone, saccharin
1855 sodium, and sodium starch glycolate.

1856 **LAMICTAL ODT Orally Disintegrating Tablets**

1857 Active ingredient: lamotrigine.

1858 Inactive ingredients: artificial cherry flavor, crospovidone, ethylcellulose, magnesium stearate,
1859 mannitol, polyethylene, and sucralose.

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