

Food - Drug Interactions

Does the food you eat affect the medicine you are taking?

Metronidazole (Flagyl®)

What is this medicine used for?

To treat abdominal and intestinal infections.

What foods should I avoid if I take metronidazole?

Alcohol

- ◆ Medicine that contains alcohol (cold medicine, cough medicine, mouth wash)
- ◆ Foods prepared with alcohol (vinegars and sauces)
- ◆ Ointments that contain alcohol (rubbing alcohol, cologne, and aftershave)



You should avoid these alcoholic substances for 3 days after you have finished taking metronidazole!



What could happen if I take metronidazole and these alcoholic substances at the same time?

Nausea	Vomiting
Dizziness	Headaches
Diarrhea	Fast, pounding heartbeat

