

Manerix® 300 mg film-coated tablets (moclobemide)

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1) WHAT MANERIX IS AND WHAT IT IS USED FOR

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Thoughts of suicide and worsening of your depression or anxiety disorder

If you are depressed and/or have anxiety disorders you can sometimes have thoughts of harming or killing yourself. These may be increased when first starting antidepressants, since these medicines all take time to work, usually about two weeks but sometimes longer. You may be more likely to think like this if:

- You have previously had thoughts about killing or harming yourself.

- You are a young adult. Information from clinical trials has shown an increased risk of suicidal behaviour in adults aged less than 25 years with psychiatric conditions who were treated with an antidepressant. If you have thoughts of harming or killing yourself at any time, **contact your doctor or go to a hospital straight away.**

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- Ephedrine, pseudoephedrine and phenylpropanolamine, found in many cough and cold medicines.
- Morphine, Codeine or fentanyl (for pain relief).

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- Fermented soya bean products.

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Driving and using machines

The medicine can affect your ability to drive as it may make you sleepy or dizzy.

- Do not drive while taking this medicine until you know how it affects you.
- It is an offence to drive if this medicine affects your ability to drive.
- However, you would not be committing an offence if:
 - The medicine has been prescribed to treat a medical or dental problem and
 - You have taken it according to the instructions given by the prescriber or in the information provided with the medicine and
 - It was not affecting your ability to drive safely.

Talk to your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure whether it is safe for you to drive while taking this medicine.

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If you have been told by your doctor that you have an intolerance to some sugars, contact your doctor before taking this medicinal product.

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- Your doctor will adjust the dose up or down to find the right dose for you.
- The maximum dose is 600 mg a day.

Social phobia:

- The usual starting dose is 150 mg twice a day for three days.
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People with severe liver disease:

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Like all medicines Manerix can cause side effects, although not everyone will get them.

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- Swelling of your throat, face, lips and mouth. This may make it difficult to breathe or swallow.
- Sudden swelling of your hands, feet or ankles.
- A raised, itchy skin rash (hives), itchy skin or flushing.

Other side effects include the following, if they get serious, please tell your doctor:

Very common (affects more than 1 in 10 people):

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- Headache.
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- Dry mouth.
- Feeling sick.

Common (affects 1 in 100 people):

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- Pins and needles or numbness of your hands and feet.
- Low blood pressure (hypotension).
- Being sick.
- Diarrhoea.
- Constipation.

Uncommon (affects 1 in 1,000 people):

- Thoughts about killing yourself.
- Feeling confused and lost (disorientated).
- Loss of taste in your mouth.
- Changes to your eyesight (vision).
- Swelling (fluid retention).
- Feeling weak or tired.

Rare (affects 1 in 10,000 people):

- Loss of appetite.
- Not enough sodium in your blood. Signs of this may be feeling sleepy, confused or having fits (seizures).
- Attempting to kill yourself.
- Delusion.
- Serotonin syndrome, you may experience symptoms such as involuntary, rhythmic contractions of muscles, including the muscles that control movement of the eye, agitation, hallucinations, coma, excessive sweating, tremor, exaggeration of reflexes, increased muscle tension, body temperature above 38°C, irregular heartbeat, losing consciousness or having fits (seizures). Contact your doctor when experiencing such symptoms.

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7) MORE INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CONDITION

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