

Oxycodone Cas No. : 76-42-6

This drug is used to treat moderate to severe chronic pain (e.g., cancer pain). This medication acts on certain centers in the brain to give you pain relief. It is a long-acting narcotic pain reliever (opiate-type).

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**Synonyms**

Dihydrohydroxycodone, 14-Hydroxydihydrocodeinone

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Formula C₁₈H₂₁NO₄

Mol. mass 315.364 g/mol

Pharmacokinetic data

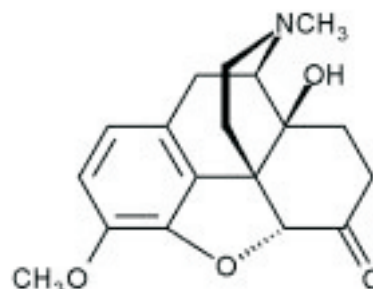
Bioavailability Up to 87%

Protein binding 45%

Metabolism Hepatic (CYP450: 2D6 substrate)

Half life 3 - 4.5 h

Excretion Urine (19% unchanged)



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DOSAGE

The usual starting dose using immediate release oxycodone tablets is 10 to 30 mg every 4 hours. Patients who have never received opioids should receive 5-15 mg every 4 to 6 hours. Some patients may require 30 mg or more every 4 hours.

The starting dose using immediate release capsules is 5 mg every 6 hours.

Continuous release tablets are administered every 12 hours and are used when around the clock treatment is required for an extended time period. Continuous release tablets should not be broken, crushed or chewed; swallow tablets whole. Broken, crushed or chewed continuous release tablets may lead to increased absorption and dangerous levels of oxycodone.

The 80 mg and 160 mg tablets should only be used by patients who require daily doses of at least 160-320 mg and are tolerant to opioid therapy. Administration of large doses to opioid-naïve patients may lead to profound depression of breathing.

The usual adult dose of oral concentrate solution (20 mg/ml) is 5 mg every 6 hours.

The usual adult dose for the oral solution (5 mg/ml) is 10-30 mg every 4 hours.

SIDE EFFECTS

Get emergency medical help if you have any of these signs of an allergic reaction: hives; difficulty breathing; swelling of your face, lips, tongue, or throat. Call your doctor at once if you have any of these serious side effects:



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- *shallow breathing, slow heartbeat;
- *seizure (convulsions);
- *cold, clammy skin;
- *confusion;
- *severe weakness or dizziness; or
- *feeling light-headed, fainting.

Less serious oxycodone side effects are more likely to occur, such as:

- *nausea, vomiting, constipation, loss of appetite;
- *dizziness, headache, tired feeling;
- *dry mouth;
- *sweating; or
- *itching.

PRECAUTIONS

Do not drink alcohol while you are taking this medication. Dangerous side effects or death can occur when alcohol is combined with oxycodone. Check your food and medicine labels to be sure these products do not contain alcohol. Oxycodone can cause side effects that may impair your thinking or reactions. Be careful if you drive or do anything that requires you to be awake and alert.

Do not use this medication if you have ever had an allergic reaction to a narcotic medicine (examples include methadone, morphine, Oxycontin, Darvocet, Percocet, Vicodin, Lortab, and many others), or to a narcotic cough medicine that contains codeine, hydrocodone, or dihydrocodeine.

You should also not take oxycodone if you are having an asthma attack or if you have a bowel obstruction called paralytic ileus.

Oxycodone may be habit-forming and should be used only by the person it was prescribed for. Oxycodone should never be shared with another person, especially someone who has a history of drug abuse or addiction. Keep the medication in a secure place where others cannot get to it.

Before using oxycodone, tell your doctor if you are allergic to any drugs, or if you have:

- *asthma, COPD, sleep apnea, or other breathing disorders;
- *liver or kidney disease;
- *underactive thyroid;
- *curvature of the spine;
- *a history of head injury or brain tumor;
- *epilepsy or other seizure disorder;
- *low blood pressure;
- *gallbladder disease;
- *Addison's disease or other adrenal gland disorders;
- *enlarged prostate, urination problems;
- *mental illness; or
- *a history of drug or alcohol addiction.



DRUG DESCRIPTION

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Oxycodone has a high abuse potential and is prescribed for moderate to high pain relief associated with injuries, bursitis, dislocation, fractures, neuralgia, arthritis, and lower back and cancer pain. It is also used postoperatively and for pain relief after childbirth. OxyContin, Percocet, Percodan, and Tylox are trade name oxycodone products.

OxyContin is designed to be swallowed whole; however, abusers ingest the drug in a variety of ways. abusers often chew the tablets or crush the tablets and snort the powder. Because oxycodone is water soluble, crushed tablets can be dissolved in water and the solution injected. The latter two methods lead to the rapid release and absorption of oxycodone.

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