

Opiodur® Transdermal Patch (fentanyl)

Information for patients who have been prescribed Opiodur®

Opiodur® Transdermal Patches available strengths

Your doctor will decide which strength to prescribe for you. See below for details of available strengths, and pictures of the packs and patches

12µg/h



25µg/h



50µg/h



75µg/h




100µg/h



Packs and patches shown are not to size or scale - for illustrative purposes only

How to use Opiodur® Transdermal Patches

This is a summary, please read the Patient Leaflet inside your pack for full instructions.

- 1 Prepare the skin**
Make sure your skin is completely clean, dry and cool before you put the patch on.
- 2 Open the Sachet**
The Opiodur® Transdermal Patches (fentanyl) are individually sealed. Tear or cut open the sachet at the notch or as shown by the arrow. Grasp both sides of the opened sachet and pull apart.

- 3 Peel and press**
Remove the shiny plastic backing, which covers the printed side of the patch. Carefully peel off one corner of the patch from the shiny plastic backing which covers the sticky side of the patch. Press this sticky part of the patch onto the skin with the palm of your hand. Hold for **at least 30 seconds**.
- 4 Disposing of the patch**
As soon as you take the patch off, fold it firmly in half so that the sticky side sticks to itself. Put the patch back in the sachet and dispose of as instructed by your pharmacist. Always wash your hands after you have handled the patch using clean water only.

Why has my prescription changed to Opiodur® Transdermal Patches

Opiodur® is a brand of fentanyl transdermal patches. This means that a Opiodur® patch contains the same medicine and is used to treat the same medical conditions as the original brand (Durogesic), and also other brands of fentanyl patches.

Different brands to the original one (Durogesic) have the same strong painkilling effect.

Has my medicine changed?

Your medicine has not changed. Opiodur® transdermal patches work in exactly the same way as other fentanyl patches, such as Durogesic®.

Using and changing patches

There is enough medicine in each patch to last 3 days (72 hours). You should change your patch every third day, unless your doctor has told you otherwise. When changing your Opiodur® Transdermal Patch, please remember:

- Always remove the old patch before applying the new one.
- Always change your patch at the same time of day every 3 days (72 hours).
- If you are using more than one patch, change all your patches at the same time.
- Make a note of the day, date and time you apply a patch, to remind you when you need to change your Opiodur® patch.

Please read the Patient Leaflet inside your pack before you start using this medicine. If you have any further questions, please ask your doctor, pharmacist or nurse.

