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Generic name: eluxadoline [*EL-ux-AD-oh-leen*]**Brand name:** [Viberzi](#)**Dosage form:** oral tablet (100 mg; 75 mg)**Drug class:** [Peripheral opioid receptor mixed agonists / antagonists](#)[Medically reviewed](#) by Drugs.com on Jun 13, 2024. Written by [Cerner Multum](#).[Uses](#) [Side effects](#) [Warnings](#) [Before taking](#) [Dosage](#) [Interactions](#) [FAQ](#)

What is eluxadoline?

Eluxadoline is used to treat [irritable bowel syndrome](#) when the main symptom is [diarrhea](#).

Eluxadoline may also be used for purposes not listed in this medication guide.

Eluxadoline side effects

Get emergency medical help if you have **signs of an allergic reaction:** hives; difficult breathing; swelling of your face, lips, tongue, or throat.

Stop taking eluxadoline and call your doctor at once if you have:

- new or worsening stomach pain (may be severe);
- nausea and [vomiting](#);
- severe [constipation](#);
- constipation lasting longer than 4 days; or
- severe pain in your upper stomach spreading to your back.

Side effects may be more likely in older adults.

Common side effects of eluxadoline may include:

- constipation;
- nausea; or
- stomach pain.

This is not a complete list of side effects and others may occur. Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

 [Eluxadoline side effects](#) (more detail)

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Warnings

You should not use eluxadoline if you have a pancreas disorder, severe [liver disease](#), [alcoholism](#), a blockage in your intestines, a gallbladder disorder, or if your gallbladder has been removed.

Eluxadoline may cause [pancreatitis](#) or constipation, which could be severe or lead to hospitalization. Call your doctor at once if you have severe or ongoing constipation, severe pain in your upper stomach spreading to your back (with or without nausea and vomiting).

Before taking this medicine

You should not use eluxadoline if you are allergic to it, or if you have:

- severe constipation or a blockage in your intestines;
- a history of gallbladder obstruction, or if your gallbladder has been removed;
- digestive problems caused by a muscle valve called the sphincter of Oddi (SFINK-ter of OD-dee);
- severe liver disease;
- a pancreas disorder; or
- a habit of drinking more than 3 alcoholic beverages per day.

Tell your doctor if you have ever had:

- liver disease; or
- kidney disease (or if you are on dialysis).

Tell your doctor if you are pregnant or breastfeeding.

Eluxadoline is not approved for use by anyone younger than 18 years old.

How should I take eluxadoline?

Follow all directions on your prescription label and read all medication guides or instruction sheets. Your doctor may occasionally change your dose. Use the medicine exactly as directed.

Eluxadoline may be habit-forming. **Misuse can cause addiction, overdose, or death.** Selling or giving away eluxadoline is against the law.

Take with food.

Eluxadoline may cause pancreatitis or constipation, which could be severe or lead to hospitalization. Call your doctor at once if you have severe or ongoing constipation, severe pain in your upper stomach spreading to your back (with or without nausea and vomiting).

Store at room temperature away from moisture and heat.

Eluxadoline dosing information

Usual Adult Dose for Irritable Bowel Syndrome:

Usual dose: 100 mg orally twice a day

Comments:

- Dose should be reduced to 75 mg orally twice a day for patients unable to tolerate usual dose.
- If severe constipation develops, this drug should be discontinued.

Use: For the treatment of irritable bowel syndrome with diarrhea.

 [Detailed Eluxadoline dosage information](#)

What happens if I miss a dose?

Take the medicine as soon as you can, but skip the missed dose if it is almost time for your next dose. **Do not** take two doses at one time.

What happens if I overdose?

Seek emergency medical attention or call the Poison Help line at 1-800-222-1222.

What should I avoid while taking eluxadoline?

Avoid drinking alcohol. It may increase your risk of pancreas problems.

Avoid taking anti-diarrhea medicine such as [loperamide](#) ([Imodium](#)) without your doctor's advice. Taking loperamide long-term while you are taking eluxadoline may cause severe constipation.

What other drugs will affect eluxadoline?

Tell your doctor about all your other medicines, especially:

- [alosetron](#) or other medications to treat irritable bowel syndrome;
- opioid pain medicine;
- medicine to treat [depression](#), [anxiety](#), mood disorders, or mental illness;
- cold or allergy medicine ([Benadryl](#) and others);
- medicine to treat [Parkinson's disease](#);
- medicine to treat stomach problems, [motion sickness](#), or irritable bowel syndrome;
- medicine to treat [overactive bladder](#); or
- bronchodilator asthma medication.

This list is not complete. Other drugs may affect eluxadoline, including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, [vitamins](#), and [herbal products](#). Not all possible [drug interactions](#) are listed here.

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