



Ursodiol (Actigall) for Your Baby

Why is it needed?

Ursodiol is used to treat your baby's cholestasis (a disease of the liver) or to dissolve gallstones. It is very important that you keep regular appointments to check how well the medicine is working. The doctor will need to change the dose as your baby grows.

How to give ursodiol

- Give the dose that is directed on the medication label. We will give you oral syringes and help you practice measuring ursodiol.
- Shake well before drawing up each dose.
- Place the dose in a bottle with a small amount of your baby's formula or breast milk. A small amount of formula or breast milk ensures your baby will have taken the whole dose even if he or she cannot finish the complete feeding.
- Clean the syringe with hot, soapy water and rinse thoroughly after measuring.
- Try your best to evenly space the doses throughout the day. For example, if it is to be given two times a day, try to space it close to every twelve hours.

What if a dose is missed?

Every dose is important. If you miss a dose, give it as soon as you remember. But if it is close to the next dose, skip the missed dose completely. **Do not** give a double dose to make up for the missed dose.

What are the side effects?

Ursodiol can sometimes cause upset stomach. Be sure to mix each dose with formula or breast milk.

Call the doctor if your baby has:

- Trouble breathing
- Unusual redness or rash on the skin
- Severe diarrhea, gas or constipation
- Problems sleeping
- Frequent/severe vomiting

Storing this medicine

Store in the refrigerator on a high shelf away from direct light. Keep in the original container. Do not freeze the liquid.

Remember:

- Keep out of the reach of children.
- **Do not** give medicine to others.
- **Do not** use after the expiration date on the bottle.