
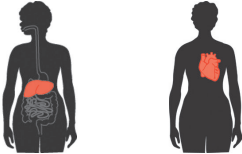





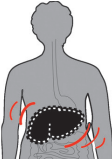



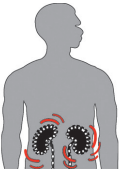
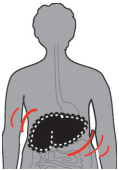







Active ingredients (generic names)	<p>ATORVASTATIN (a-tor-va-sta-tin) ROSUVASTATIN (row-soo-va-sta-tin) SIMVASTATIN (sim-va-sta-tin)</p>  <p>Common name: statins Other statins Not included in this monograph — see <i>AMH</i> for information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fluvastatin• Pravastatin <p>Combination medicines Not included in this monograph — see <i>AMH</i> for information or separate monograph</p>
What it is used for	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Managing cardiovascular risk and abnormal blood fats• Reducing risk of heart attack in coronary artery disease
How it works	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stops liver making too much cholesterol. Cholesterol can block blood vessels and cause heart attack or stroke 
Side effects	<div><p>Sore muscles</p></div> <div><p>Nausea</p></div> <div><p>Dizzy</p></div> <div><p>Trouble sleeping</p></div> <div><p>Headache</p></div> <div><p>Liver trouble — Medicine can cause a change in liver function</p></div>

 <p>Warnings</p>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Pregnant</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Breastfeeding</p> </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Kidney trouble — use lower dose</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Liver trouble — use lower dose (rosuvastatin)</p> </div> </div> <p>Interactions — Do not use together without medical consult</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statins interact with a lot of different medicines — always check with doctor or pharmacist before adding another medicine
<p>Tell the patient</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Important to exercise and eat low fat food as well as taking tablets Will need regular blood tests to make sure medicine is working and there are no side effects If taking atorvastatin or simvastatin — do not drink grapefruit juice. Can increase amount of medicine in bloodstream and chance of getting side effects <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Do not stop taking medicine — you may not feel different, but medicine will help stop heart attack and stroke</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Take at night (simvastatin)</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Return to clinic if you get sore or tired muscles OR your urine is dark</p> </div> </div> <p>Warning stickers (page 310): Atorvastatin, simvastatin 18</p>
<p>Check</p>	<div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Blood test</p> </div> <p>Check LFT and CK before starting medicine, repeat if indicated clinically</p>