Active ingredients (generic names)	METRONIDAZOLE (me-tro-ni-da-zole)		
What it is used for	• Infections, eg giardia, dental, skin and STIs		
How it works	 An antibiotic that stops bacteria from making DNA. DNA is important for the bacteria's growth Different germs need different antibiotics. If not sure which one to use — check with doctor 		
Side effects	 Metallic taste in mouth Vaginal thrush (candida) Vaginal thrush (candida) Vaginal and Abdominal pain 		

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Anti-infectives (antibiotics, worm medicines)

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Warnings	METRONIDAZOLE with	ether without medical consult
	AlcoholMycophenolate	PhenytoinWarfarin
Tell the patient	 If you get a metallic taste in y suck on some lollies (if you d Take all the medicine — make and the infection doesn't cor Take with food or milk — so medicine doesn't make you feel sick Finish medicine — even if you feel better Warning stickers (page 310): N Metronidazole medicine mixture) 	on't have diabetes) es sure all the germs are gone me back Do not drink alcohol (grog) - Drinking alcohol during treatment and for 3 days after will make you feel sick Do not drive or operate machinery if dizzy or faint
Check	 Follow-up when antibiotic treatment finished to make sure infection is gone. If not — medical consult 	