

Patient information factsheet

Hyoscine butylbromide injection (CT or MRI scans)

We have given you this factsheet because you have been given an intravenous (into a vein) injection of hyoscine butylbromide today as part of your CT or MRI scan. It contains important information about hyoscine butylbromide. Please keep this factsheet to hand so you can refer to it over the next few days. We hope it will help to answer some of the questions you may have. If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact us using the details at the end of this factsheet.

What is hyoscine butylbromide?

Hyoscine butylbromide (also known by its brand name, Buscopan) belongs to a group of medicines called 'antispasmodics'. These medicines help to relieve cramp-like pain (spasms) in the body (for example, stomach cramps, bladder cramps and period pain). They can also be used to improve the quality of abdominal and pelvic scan images, as they reduce bowel movements.

Are there any side effects?

Like all medicines, hyoscine butylbromide can cause side effects in some people, but most people have no side effects or only minor ones.

Common side effects

If you experience any of the following side effects, please let us know so we can make a note of this on your radiology information system record:

- blurred vision
- a fast heart rate
- dizziness
- a dry mouth
- constipation

Rare side effects

Tell your radiographer (a healthcare professional who takes scans of patients to diagnose illnesses and injuries) or doctor **immediately** if you experience any of the following side effects:

- sudden breathing difficulties
- feeling faint or dizzy
- skin reactions (hives, rash, redness or itching)
- a painful, red eye with loss of vision

These side effects may be serious, and you may need urgent medical treatment.

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Contact us

If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact us.

Radiology department

Telephone: **023 8120 3258** or **023 8120 6077** (Monday to Friday, 9am to 4.30pm)

Alternatively, you can contact your general practitioner (GP) or NHS **111** for medical advice.

Useful links

www.nhs.uk/medicines/buscopan-hyoscine-butylbromide

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