

PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

**TREXIMET<sup>®</sup>**  
**(sumatriptan and naproxen sodium)**  
**Tablets**

**WARNINGS**

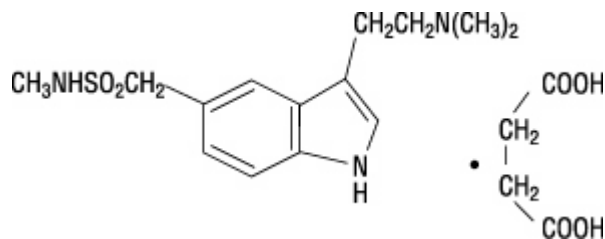
**Cardiovascular Risk:** TREXIMET may cause an increased risk of serious cardiovascular thrombotic events, myocardial infarction, and stroke, which can be fatal. This risk may increase with duration of use. Patients with cardiovascular disease or risk factors for cardiovascular disease may be at greater risk (see WARNINGS: Cardiovascular Effects).

**Gastrointestinal Risk:** TREXIMET contains a nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID). NSAID-containing products cause an increased risk of serious gastrointestinal adverse events including bleeding, ulceration, and perforation of the stomach or intestines, which can be fatal. These events can occur at any time during use and without warning symptoms. Elderly patients are at greater risk for serious gastrointestinal events (see WARNINGS: Risk of Gastrointestinal Ulceration, Bleeding, and Perforation With Nonsteroidal Anti-inflammatory Drug Therapy).

**DESCRIPTION**

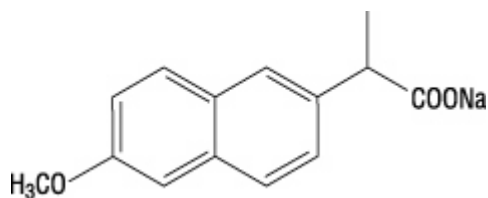
TREXIMET contains sumatriptan (as the succinate), a selective 5-hydroxytryptamine<sub>1</sub> (5-HT<sub>1</sub>) receptor subtype agonist, and naproxen sodium, a member of the arylacetic acid group of nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs).

Sumatriptan succinate is chemically designated as 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-indole-5-methanesulfonamide succinate (1:1), and it has the following structure:



The empirical formula is C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S•C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, representing a molecular weight of 413.5. Sumatriptan succinate is a white to off-white powder that is readily soluble in water and in saline.

Naproxen sodium is chemically designated as (S)-6-methoxy- $\alpha$ -methyl-2-naphthaleneacetic acid, sodium salt, and it has the following structure:



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34 The empirical formula is  $C_{14}H_{13}NaO_3$ , representing a molecular weight of 252.23. Naproxen  
35 sodium is a white-to-creamy white crystalline solid, freely soluble in water at neutral pH.

36 Each TRIXIMET Tablet for oral administration contains 119 mg of sumatriptan succinate  
37 equivalent to 85 mg of sumatriptan and 500 mg of naproxen sodium. Each tablet also contains  
38 the inactive ingredients croscarmellose sodium, dextrose monohydrate, dibasic calcium  
39 phosphate, FD&C Blue No. 2, lecithin, magnesium stearate, maltodextrin, microcrystalline  
40 cellulose, povidone, sodium bicarbonate, sodium carboxymethylcellulose, talc, and titanium  
41 dioxide.

## 42 CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

43 **Mechanism of Action:** TRIXIMET contains sumatriptan, a 5-HT<sub>1</sub> receptor agonist that  
44 mediates vasoconstriction of the human basilar artery and vasculature of human dura mater,  
45 which correlates with the relief of migraine headache. It also contains naproxen, an NSAID that  
46 inhibits the synthesis of inflammatory mediators. Therefore, sumatriptan and naproxen contribute  
47 to the relief of migraine through pharmacologically different mechanisms of action.

48 Sumatriptan is a 5-HT<sub>1</sub> receptor agonist that binds with high affinity to 5-HT<sub>1B</sub> and 5-HT<sub>1D</sub>  
49 receptors. Sumatriptan has only a weak affinity for 5-HT<sub>1A</sub>, 5-HT<sub>5A</sub>, and 5-HT<sub>7</sub> receptors and no  
50 significant affinity (as measured using standard radioligand binding assays) or pharmacological  
51 activity at 5-HT<sub>2</sub>, 5-HT<sub>3</sub>, or 5-HT<sub>4</sub> receptor subtypes or at alpha<sub>1</sub>-, alpha<sub>2</sub>-, or beta-adrenergic;  
52 dopamine<sub>1</sub>; dopamine<sub>2</sub>; muscarinic; or benzodiazepine receptors. In addition to causing  
53 vasoconstriction, experimental data from animal studies show that sumatriptan also activates 5-  
54 HT<sub>1</sub> receptors on peripheral terminals of the trigeminal nerve innervating cranial blood vessels.  
55 Such an action may contribute to the antimigrainous effect of sumatriptan in humans. In the  
56 anesthetized dog, sumatriptan selectively reduces carotid arterial blood flow with little or no  
57 effect on arterial blood pressure or total peripheral resistance.

58 Naproxen sodium is an NSAID with analgesic and antipyretic properties. The sodium salt of  
59 naproxen has been developed as a more rapidly absorbed formulation of naproxen for use as an  
60 analgesic. The mechanism of action of the naproxen anion, like that of other NSAIDs, is not  
61 completely understood but may be related to prostaglandin synthetase inhibition.

62 **Pharmacokinetics:** TRIXIMET is a formulation of 85 mg of sumatriptan (as sumatriptan  
63 succinate) and 500 mg of naproxen sodium with a distinct pharmacokinetic profile.  $C_{max}$   
64 (median, range) for sumatriptan following administration of TRIXIMET occurs at  
65 approximately 1 hour (0.3 to 4.0 hours).  $C_{max}$  (median, range) for naproxen following  
66 administration of TRIXIMET occurs at approximately 5 hours (0.3 to 12 hours). The  
67 sumatriptan half-life is approximately 2 hours (15% to 43% CV) and the naproxen half-life is

68 approximately 19 hours (13% to 15% CV). The mean  $C_{max}$  for sumatriptan when given as  
69 TREXIMET is similar to that of sumatriptan when given as IMITREX<sup>®</sup> (sumatriptan succinate)  
70 Tablets 100 mg alone. The median sumatriptan  $T_{max}$  is only slightly different (1 hour for  
71 TREXIMET and 1.5 hours for IMITREX). The  $C_{max}$  for naproxen is approximately 36% lower,  
72 and the  $T_{max}$  occurs approximately 4 hours later from TREXIMET than from ANAPROX<sup>®</sup> DS  
73 (naproxen sodium tablets) 550 mg. AUC values for sumatriptan and for naproxen are similar for  
74 TREXIMET compared to IMITREX or ANAPROX DS, respectively. In a crossover study in 16  
75 patients, the pharmacokinetics of both components administered as TREXIMET were similar  
76 during a migraine attack and during a migraine-free period.

77 **Absorption and Bioavailability:** Bioavailability of sumatriptan is approximately 15%,  
78 primarily due to presystemic (first-pass) metabolism and partly due to incomplete absorption.

79 Naproxen is rapidly and completely absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract with an in vivo  
80 bioavailability of 95%.

81 **Food Effects:** Food had no significant effect on the bioavailability of sumatriptan or  
82 naproxen administered as TREXIMET, but slightly delayed the  $T_{max}$  of sumatriptan by about  
83 0.6 hour. These data indicate that TREXIMET may be administered without regard to food.

84 **Distribution:** The volume of distribution of sumatriptan is 2.4 L/kg. Plasma protein binding  
85 is 14% to 21%. The effect of sumatriptan on the protein binding of other drugs has not been  
86 evaluated, but would be expected to be minor, given the low protein binding.

87 The volume of distribution of naproxen is 0.16 L/kg. At therapeutic levels naproxen is greater  
88 than 99% albumin bound. At doses of naproxen greater than 500 mg/day, there is a less than  
89 proportional increase in plasma levels due to an increase in clearance caused by saturation of  
90 plasma protein binding at higher doses (average trough  $C_{ss}$  = 36.5, 49.2, and 56.4 mg/L with 500,  
91 1,000, and 1,500 mg daily doses of naproxen, respectively). However, the concentration of  
92 unbound naproxen continues to increase proportionally to dose.

93 **Metabolism:** Most of a radiolabeled dose of sumatriptan excreted in the urine is the major  
94 metabolite indole acetic acid (IAA) or the IAA glucuronide, both of which are inactive. Three  
95 percent of the dose can be recovered as unchanged sumatriptan. In vitro studies with human  
96 microsomes suggest that sumatriptan is metabolized by monoamine oxidase (MAO),  
97 predominantly the A isoenzyme, and inhibitors of that enzyme may alter sumatriptan  
98 pharmacokinetics to increase systemic exposure (see CONTRAINDICATIONS and  
99 PRECAUTIONS: Drug Interactions: *Monoamine Oxidase-A Inhibitors*). No significant effect  
100 was seen with an MAO-B inhibitor.

101 Naproxen is extensively metabolized to 6-0-desmethyl naproxen, and both parent and  
102 metabolites do not induce metabolizing enzymes.

103 **Elimination:** Radiolabeled <sup>14</sup>C-sumatriptan administered orally is largely renally excreted  
104 (about 60%), with about 40% found in the feces. The elimination half-life of sumatriptan is  
105 approximately 2 hours.

106 The clearance of naproxen is 0.13 mL/min/kg. Approximately 95% of the naproxen from any  
107 dose is excreted in the urine, primarily as naproxen (less than 1%), 6-0-desmethyl naproxen (less

108 than 1%), or their conjugates (66% to 92%). The plasma half-life of the naproxen anion in  
109 humans is approximately 19 hours. The corresponding half-lives of both metabolites and  
110 conjugates of naproxen are shorter than 12 hours, and their rates of excretion have been found to  
111 coincide closely with the rate of naproxen disappearance from the plasma. In patients with renal  
112 failure, metabolites may accumulate (see PRECAUTIONS: Renal Effects).

113 **Special Populations: Renal Impairment:** TREXIMET is not recommended for use in  
114 patients with creatinine clearance less than 30 mL/min (see PRECAUTIONS: Renal Effects).  
115 The effect of renal impairment on the pharmacokinetics of TREXIMET has not been studied.

116 Minimal change in clinical effect would be expected with regard to sumatriptan as it is largely  
117 metabolized to an inactive substance.

118 Since naproxen and its metabolites and conjugates are primarily excreted by the kidney, the  
119 potential exists for naproxen metabolites to accumulate in the presence of renal insufficiency.  
120 Elimination of naproxen is decreased in patients with severe renal impairment.

121 **Hepatic Impairment:** Because TREXIMET is a fixed-dose combination that cannot be  
122 adjusted for this patient population, it is contraindicated in patients with hepatic impairment (see  
123 CONTRAINDICATIONS and PRECAUTIONS: Hepatic Effects). The effect of hepatic  
124 impairment on the pharmacokinetics of TREXIMET has not been studied. Sumatriptan is  
125 contraindicated in patients with severe hepatic impairment and the dose is limited to 50 mg in  
126 patients with liver disease.

127 **Age:** The effect of age (elderly or pediatric patients) on the pharmacokinetics of TREXIMET  
128 has not been studied. Elderly patients are more likely to have decreased hepatic function and  
129 decreased renal function (see PRECAUTIONS: Geriatric Use).

130 The pharmacokinetics of oral sumatriptan in the elderly (mean age: 72 years, 2 males and 4  
131 females) and in patients with migraine (mean age: 38 years, 25 males and 155 females) were  
132 similar to that in healthy male subjects (mean age: 30 years).

133 **Gender:** In a pooled analysis of 5 pharmacokinetic studies, there was no effect of gender on  
134 the systemic exposure of TREXIMET. In a study comparing the pharmacokinetics of  
135 sumatriptan in females and males, no differences were observed between genders for AUC,  $C_{\max}$ ,  
136  $T_{\max}$ , and  $T_{1/2}$ .

137 **Race:** The effect of race on the pharmacokinetics of TREXIMET has not been studied. The  
138 systemic clearance and  $C_{\max}$  of sumatriptan were similar in black (n = 34) and Caucasian (n = 38)  
139 healthy male subjects.

140 **Drug Interactions:** No formal drug interaction studies have been conducted with TREXIMET.

141 **Monoamine Oxidase Inhibitors:** TREXIMET is contraindicated in patients taking MAO-  
142 A inhibitors (see CONTRAINDICATIONS and PRECAUTIONS: Drug Interactions). Treatment  
143 with MAO-A inhibitors generally leads to an increase of sumatriptan plasma levels. This  
144 interaction has not been seen with an MAO-B inhibitor.

145 **Alcohol:** The effect of alcohol consumption on the pharmacokinetics of TREXIMET has not  
146 been studied. Alcohol consumed 30 minutes prior to sumatriptan ingestion had no effect on the  
147 pharmacokinetics of sumatriptan.

148 **CLINICAL TRIALS**

149 The efficacy of TREXIMET in providing relief from migraine was demonstrated in 2  
150 randomized, double-blind, multicenter, parallel-group trials utilizing placebo and each individual  
151 active component of TREXIMET (sumatriptan and naproxen sodium) as comparison treatments.  
152 Patients enrolled in these 2 trials were predominately female (87%) and Caucasian (88%), with a  
153 mean age of 40 years (range 18 to 65 years). Patients were instructed to treat a migraine of  
154 moderate to severe pain with 1 tablet. No rescue medication was allowed within 2 hours  
155 postdose. Patients evaluated their headache pain 2 hours after taking 1 dose of study medication;  
156 headache relief was defined as a reduction in headache severity from moderate or severe pain to  
157 mild or no pain. Associated symptoms of nausea, photophobia, and phonophobia were also  
158 evaluated. Sustained pain free was defined as a reduction in headache severity from moderate or  
159 severe pain to no pain at 2 hours postdose without a return of mild, moderate, or severe pain and  
160 no use of rescue medication for 24 hours postdose. The results from the 2 controlled clinical  
161 trials are summarized in Table 1. In both trials, the percentage of patients achieving headache  
162 pain relief 2 hours after treatment was significantly greater among patients receiving  
163 TREXIMET (65% and 57%) compared with those who received placebo (28% and 29%).

164 Further, the percentage of patients who remained pain free without use of other medications  
165 through 24 hours postdose was significantly greater among patients receiving a single dose of  
166 TREXIMET (25% and 23%) compared with those who received placebo (8% and 7%) or either  
167 sumatriptan (16% and 14%) or naproxen sodium (10%) alone.

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169 **Table 1. Percentage of Patients With 2-Hour Pain Relief and Sustained Pain Free**  
170 **Following Treatment<sup>a</sup>**

	TREXIMET	Sumatriptan 85 mg	Naproxen Sodium 500 mg	Placebo
<b>2-Hour Pain Relief</b>				
Study 1 (all patients)	65% <sup>b</sup> n = 364	55% n = 361	44% n = 356	28% n = 360
Study 2 (all patients)	57% <sup>b</sup> n = 362	50% n = 362	43% n = 364	29% n = 382
<b>Sustained Pain Free (2-24 Hours)</b>				
Study 1	25% <sup>c</sup> n = 364	16% n = 361	10% n = 356	8% n = 360
Study 2	23% <sup>c</sup> n = 362	14% n = 362	10% n = 364	7% n = 382

171 <sup>a</sup>p values provided only for prespecified comparisons.

172 <sup>b</sup>p<0.05 versus placebo and sumatriptan.

173 <sup>c</sup>p<0.01 versus placebo, sumatriptan, and naproxen sodium.

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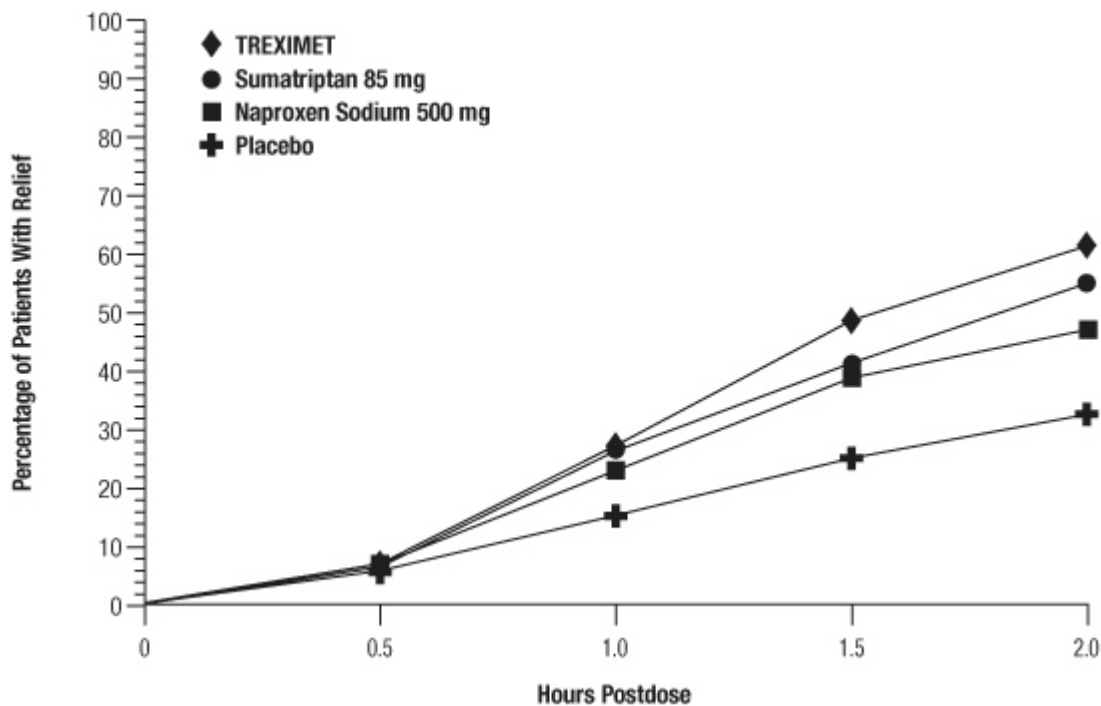
175 Note that comparisons of the performance of different drugs based upon results  
176 obtained in different clinical trials are never reliable. Because studies are generally  
177 conducted at different times, with different samples of patients, by different investigators,  
178 employing different criteria and/or different interpretations of the same criteria, under  
179 different conditions (dose, dosing regimen, etc.), quantitative estimates of treatment  
180 response and the timing of response may be expected to vary considerably from study to  
181 study.

182 The percentage of patients achieving initial headache pain relief within 2 hours following  
183 treatment with TREXIMET is shown in Figure 1.

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185 **Figure 1. Percentage of Patients With Initial Headache Pain Relief Within 2 Hours**

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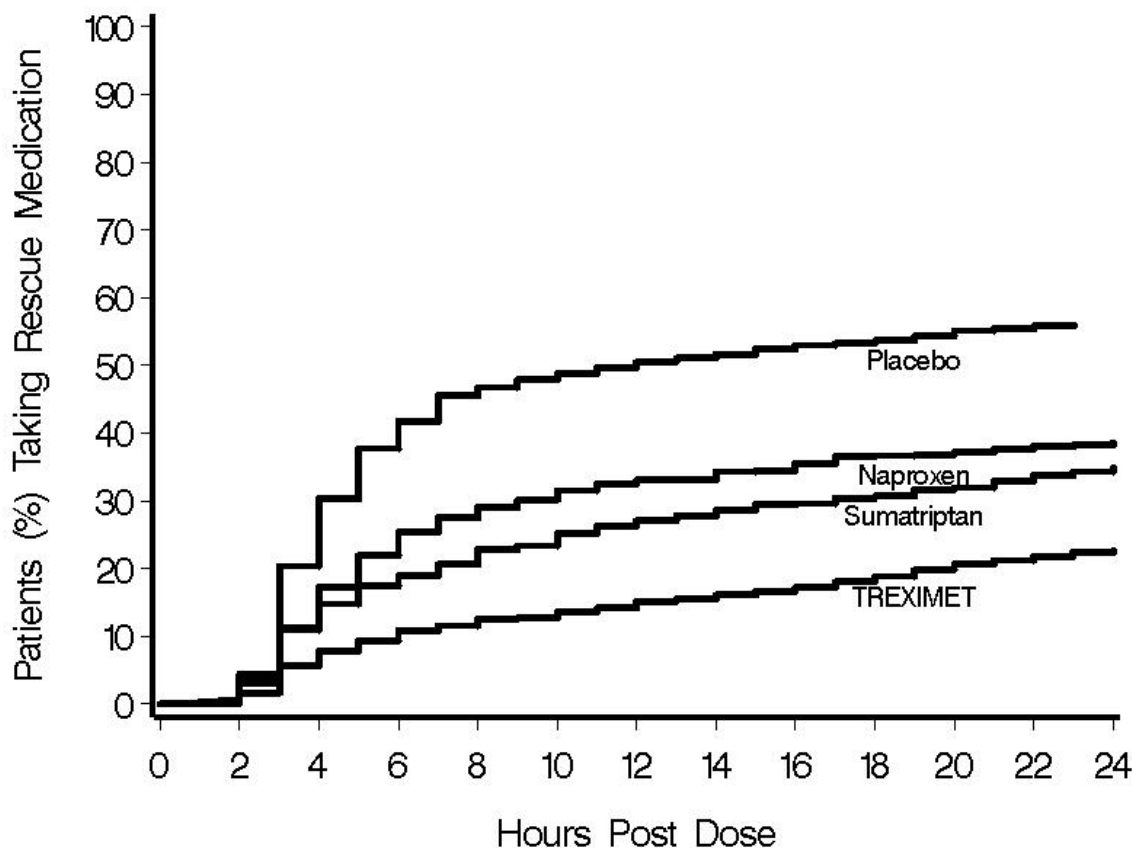
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189 Compared with placebo, there was a decreased incidence of photophobia, phonophobia, and  
190 nausea 2 hours after the administration of TREXIMET. The estimated probability of taking a  
191 rescue medication over the first 24 hours is shown in Figure 2.

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193 **Figure 2. Estimated Probability of Taking a Rescue Medication Over the 24 Hours**  
194 **Following the First Dose\***  
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197 \* Kaplan-Meier plot based on data obtained in the 2 clinical controlled trials providing evidence  
198 of efficacy with patients not using additional treatments censored to 24 hours. Plot also  
199 includes patients who had no response to the initial dose. No rescue medication was allowed  
200 within 2 hours postdose.

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202 TREXIMET was more effective than placebo regardless of the presence of aura; duration of  
203 headache prior to treatment; gender, age, or weight of the patient; or concomitant use of oral  
204 contraceptives or common migraine prophylactic drugs (e.g., beta-blockers, anti-epileptic drugs,  
205 tricyclic antidepressants).

## 206 **INDICATIONS AND USAGE**

207 TREXIMET is indicated for the acute treatment of migraine attacks with or without aura in  
208 adults. Carefully consider the potential benefits and risks of TREXIMET and other treatment  
209 options when deciding to use TREXIMET.

210 TREXIMET is not intended for the prophylactic therapy of migraine or for use in the  
211 management of hemiplegic or basilar migraine (see **CONTRAINDICATIONS**). Safety and  
212 effectiveness of TREXIMET have not been established for cluster headache.

213 **CONTRAINDICATIONS**

214 **Cardiac, Cerebrovascular, or Peripheral Vascular Disease:** TREXIMET should not  
215 be given to patients with history, symptoms, or signs of ischemic cardiac, cerebrovascular,  
216 or peripheral vascular syndromes. In addition, patients with other significant underlying  
217 cardiovascular diseases should not receive TREXIMET, nor should patients who have had  
218 coronary artery bypass graft (CABG) surgery. Ischemic cardiac syndromes include, but  
219 are not limited to, angina pectoris of any type (e.g., stable angina of effort and vasospastic  
220 forms of angina, such as the Prinzmetal variant), all forms of myocardial infarction, and  
221 silent myocardial ischemia. Cerebrovascular syndromes include, but are not limited to,  
222 strokes of any type as well as transient ischemic attacks. Peripheral vascular disease  
223 includes, but is not limited to, ischemic bowel disease (see WARNINGS: Cardiovascular  
224 Effects).

225 **Uncontrolled Hypertension:** TREXIMET should not be given to patients with  
226 uncontrolled hypertension because the components have been shown to increase blood  
227 pressure.

228 **Monoamine Oxidase-A Inhibitors:** Concurrent administration of MAO-A inhibitors or  
229 use of TREXIMET within 2 weeks of discontinuation of MAO-A inhibitor therapy is  
230 contraindicated (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY: Drug Interactions and  
231 PRECAUTIONS: Drug Interactions).

232 **Ergotamine-Containing or Ergot-Type Medications:** TREXIMET and any  
233 ergotamine-containing or ergot-type medication (like dihydroergotamine or methysergide)  
234 should not be used within 24 hours of each other (see PRECAUTIONS: Drug Interactions).

235 **Other 5-HT<sub>1</sub> Agonists:** Since TREXIMET contains sumatriptan, it should not be  
236 administered within 24 hours of another 5-HT<sub>1</sub> agonist.

237 **Hemiplegic or Basilar Migraine:** TREXIMET should not be administered to patients  
238 with hemiplegic or basilar migraine.

239 **Hepatic Impairment:** TREXIMET is contraindicated in patients with hepatic impairment  
240 (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY: Special Populations, PRECAUTIONS: Hepatic  
241 Effects, and PRECAUTIONS: Geriatric Use).

242 **Allergy to Naproxen/Asthma, Nasal Polyps, Urticaria, and Hypotension**

243 **Associated With Nonsteroidal Anti-inflammatory Drugs:** TREXIMET is  
244 contraindicated in patients who have had allergic reactions to prescription as well as to  
245 over-the-counter products containing naproxen. It is also contraindicated in patients in  
246 whom aspirin or other nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory/analgesic drugs induce the  
247 syndrome of asthma, rhinitis, and nasal polyps. Anaphylactic/anaphylactoid reactions to  
248 naproxen, whether of the true allergic type or the pharmacologic idiosyncratic type (e.g.,  
249 aspirin hypersensitivity syndrome), usually but not always occur in patients with a known  
250 history of such reactions. Both types of reactions have the potential of being fatal.

251 Therefore, careful questioning of patients for medical conditions such as asthma, nasal  
252 polyps, urticaria, and hypotension associated with NSAIDs before starting therapy is



253 important. In addition, if such symptoms occur during therapy, treatment should be  
254 discontinued (see WARNINGS: Anaphylactic/Anaphylactoid Reactions and  
255 PRECAUTIONS: Preexisting Asthma).  
256 Hypersensitivity to Sumatriptan or Naproxen: TREXIMET is contraindicated in  
257 patients with hypersensitivity to sumatriptan, naproxen, or any other component of the  
258 product.

## 259 WARNINGS

260 TREXIMET should only be used where a clear diagnosis of migraine headache has been  
261 established.

262 **Cardiovascular Effects: Risk of Myocardial Ischemia and/or Infarction and Other**  
263 **Adverse Cardiac Events:** TREXIMET should not be given to patients with documented  
264 ischemic or vasospastic coronary artery disease (CAD) or to patients with a history of  
265 CABG surgery (see CONTRAINDICATIONS). It is strongly recommended that  
266 sumatriptan-containing products not be given to patients in whom unrecognized CAD is  
267 predicted by the presence of risk factors (e.g., hypertension, hypercholesterolemia, smoker,  
268 obesity, diabetes, strong family history of CAD, female with surgical or physiological  
269 menopause, male over 40 years of age) unless a cardiovascular evaluation provides  
270 satisfactory clinical evidence that the patient is reasonably free of CAD and ischemic  
271 myocardial disease or other significant underlying cardiovascular disease. The sensitivity  
272 of cardiac diagnostic procedures to detect cardiovascular disease or predisposition to  
273 coronary artery vasospasm is modest, at best. If, during the cardiovascular evaluation, the  
274 patient's medical history or electrocardiographic investigations reveal findings indicative  
275 of, or consistent with, coronary artery vasospasm or myocardial ischemia, TREXIMET  
276 should not be administered (see CONTRAINDICATIONS).

277 For patients with risk factors predictive of CAD who are determined to have a  
278 satisfactory cardiovascular evaluation, it is strongly recommended that administration of  
279 the first dose of TREXIMET take place in the setting of a physician's office or similar  
280 medically staffed and equipped facility unless the patient has previously received  
281 sumatriptan. Because cardiac ischemia can occur in the absence of clinical symptoms,  
282 consideration should be given to obtaining an electrocardiogram (ECG) immediately  
283 following first-time use of TREXIMET in patients with risk factors.

284 It is recommended that patients who are intermittent long-term users of TREXIMET  
285 and who have or acquire risk factors predictive of CAD as described above undergo  
286 periodic cardiovascular evaluation as they continue to use TREXIMET.

287 The systematic approach described above is intended to reduce the likelihood that  
288 patients with unrecognized cardiovascular disease will be inadvertently exposed to  
289 sumatriptan-containing products.

290 **Cardiac Events and Fatalities Associated With 5-HT<sub>1</sub> Agonists:** Serious adverse  
291 cardiac events, including acute myocardial infarction, life-threatening disturbances of cardiac

292 rhythm, and death have been reported within a few hours following the administration of  
293 sumatriptan. Considering the extent of use of 5-HT<sub>1</sub> agonists in patients with migraine, the  
294 incidence of these events is extremely low.

295 The fact that sumatriptan can cause coronary vasospasm, that some of these events have  
296 occurred in patients with no prior cardiac disease history and with documented absence of CAD,  
297 and the close proximity of the events to sumatriptan use support the conclusion that some of  
298 these cases were caused by the drug. In cases, however, where there has been known underlying  
299 coronary artery disease, the relationship is uncertain.

300 **Cardiovascular Thrombotic Events and Fatalities Associated With Nonsteroidal**  
301 **Anti-inflammatory Drugs:** Clinical trials of several COX-2 selective and nonselective  
302 NSAIDs of up to 3 years' duration have shown an increased risk of serious cardiovascular  
303 thrombotic events, myocardial infarction, and stroke, which can be fatal. All NSAIDs, both  
304 COX-2 selective and nonselective, may have a similar risk. Patients with known cardiovascular  
305 disease or risk factors for cardiovascular disease may be at greater risk. To minimize the  
306 potential risk for an adverse cardiovascular event in patients treated with an NSAID, the lowest  
307 effective dose should be used for the shortest duration possible. Physicians and patients should  
308 remain alert for the development of such events, even in the absence of previous cardiovascular  
309 symptoms. Patients should be informed about the signs and/or symptoms of serious  
310 cardiovascular events and the steps to take if they occur.

311 There is no consistent evidence that concurrent use of aspirin mitigates the increased risk of  
312 serious cardiovascular thrombotic events associated with NSAID use. The concurrent use of  
313 aspirin and an NSAID does increase the risk of serious gastrointestinal events (see WARNINGS:  
314 Risk of Gastrointestinal Ulceration, Bleeding, and Perforation With Nonsteroidal  
315 Anti-inflammatory Drug Therapy).

316 **Premarketing Experience With TREXIMET:** Among 3,302 patients with migraine who  
317 received TREXIMET in premarketing controlled and uncontrolled clinical trials, a 47-year-old  
318 female with cardiac risk factors in an open-label 12-month safety study experienced signs and  
319 symptoms of acute coronary syndrome approximately 2 hours after receiving TREXIMET.

320 **Drug-Associated Cerebrovascular Events and Fatalities:** Cerebral hemorrhage,  
321 subarachnoid hemorrhage, stroke, and other cerebrovascular events have been reported in  
322 patients treated with oral or subcutaneous sumatriptan, and some have resulted in fatalities. The  
323 relationship of sumatriptan to these events is uncertain. In a number of cases, it appears possible  
324 that the cerebrovascular events were primary, sumatriptan having been administered in the  
325 incorrect belief that the symptoms experienced were a consequence of migraine when they were  
326 not. As with other acute migraine therapies, before treating headaches in patients not previously  
327 diagnosed as migraineurs, and in migraineurs who present with atypical symptoms, care should  
328 be taken to exclude other potentially serious neurological conditions. It should also be noted that  
329 patients with migraine may be at increased risk of certain cerebrovascular events (e.g.,  
330 cerebrovascular accident, transient ischemic attack).

331 **Other Vasospasm-Related Events:** Sumatriptan may cause vasospastic reactions other  
332 than coronary artery vasospasm. Both peripheral vascular ischemia and colonic ischemia with  
333 abdominal pain and bloody diarrhea have been reported. Transient and permanent blindness and  
334 significant partial vision loss have been reported with the use of sumatriptan. Visual disorders  
335 may also be part of a migraine attack.

336 **Increase in Blood Pressure:** TREXIMET is contraindicated in patients with uncontrolled  
337 hypertension (see CONTRAINDICATIONS). TREXIMET should be used with caution in  
338 patients with controlled hypertension.

339 Significant elevation in blood pressure, including hypertensive crisis, has been reported in  
340 patients with and without a history of hypertension receiving sumatriptan. Sumatriptan-  
341 containing products should be administered with caution to patients with controlled hypertension  
342 as transient increases in blood pressure and peripheral vascular resistance have been observed.

343 NSAID-containing products can lead to onset of new hypertension or worsening of  
344 preexisting hypertension, either of which may contribute to the increased incidence of  
345 cardiovascular events. Patients taking thiazides or loop diuretics may have impaired response to  
346 these therapies when taking NSAIDs. The potential effect on blood pressure associated with  
347 long-term use of TREXIMET has not been studied. Blood pressure should be monitored closely  
348 during the initiation of NSAID treatment and throughout the course of therapy.

349 **Congestive Heart Failure and Edema:** TREXIMET should be used with caution in  
350 patients with fluid retention or heart failure. Fluid retention and edema have been observed in  
351 some patients taking NSAIDs. Since each TREXIMET tablet contains 61.2 mg of sodium (about  
352 2.7 mEq/500 mg of naproxen sodium), this should be considered in patients whose overall intake  
353 of sodium must be severely restricted.

354 **Serotonin Syndrome:** The development of a potentially life-threatening serotonin syndrome  
355 may occur with triptans, including treatment with TREXIMET, particularly during combined use  
356 with selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs) or serotonin norepinephrine reuptake  
357 inhibitors (SNRIs). If concomitant treatment with TREXIMET and an SSRI (e.g., fluoxetine,  
358 paroxetine, sertraline, fluvoxamine, citalopram, escitalopram) or SNRI (e.g., venlafaxine,  
359 duloxetine) is clinically warranted, careful observation of the patient is advised, particularly  
360 during treatment initiation and dose increases. Serotonin syndrome symptoms may include  
361 mental status changes (e.g., agitation, hallucinations, coma), autonomic instability (e.g.,  
362 tachycardia, labile blood pressure, hyperthermia), neuromuscular aberrations (e.g., hyperreflexia,  
363 incoordination), and/or gastrointestinal symptoms (e.g., nausea, vomiting, diarrhea) (see  
364 PRECAUTIONS: Drug Interactions).

365 **Risk of Gastrointestinal Ulceration, Bleeding, and Perforation With Nonsteroidal  
366 Anti-inflammatory Drug Therapy:** TREXIMET contains an NSAID. NSAID-containing  
367 products can cause serious gastrointestinal adverse events including inflammation, bleeding,  
368 ulceration, and perforation of the stomach, small intestine, or large intestine, which can be fatal.

369 These serious adverse events can occur at any time, with or without warning symptoms, in  
370 patients treated with NSAIDs. Only 1 in 5 patients who develop a serious upper gastrointestinal

371 adverse event on NSAID therapy is symptomatic. Upper gastrointestinal ulcers, gross bleeding,  
372 or perforation caused by NSAIDs appear to occur in approximately 1% of patients treated daily  
373 for 3 to 6 months and in about 2% to 4% of patients treated for 1 year. These trends continue  
374 with longer duration of use, increasing the likelihood of developing a serious gastrointestinal  
375 event at some time during the course of therapy. However, even short-term therapy is not  
376 without risk. Among 3,302 patients with migraine who received TREXIMET in premarketing  
377 controlled and uncontrolled clinical trials, 1 patient experienced a recurrence of gastric ulcer  
378 after taking 8 doses over 3 weeks, and 1 patient developed a gastric ulcer after treating an  
379 average of 8 attacks per month over 7 months.

380 NSAID-containing products, including TREXIMET, should be prescribed with extreme  
381 caution in those with a prior history of ulcer disease or gastrointestinal bleeding. Patients with a  
382 prior history of peptic ulcer disease and/or gastrointestinal bleeding who use NSAIDs have a  
383 greater than 10-fold increased risk for developing gastrointestinal bleeding compared to patients  
384 with neither of these risk factors. Other factors that increase the risk for gastrointestinal bleeding  
385 in patients treated with NSAIDs include concomitant use of oral corticosteroids or  
386 anticoagulants, longer duration of NSAID therapy, smoking, use of alcohol, older age, and poor  
387 general health status. Most spontaneous reports of fatal gastrointestinal events are in elderly or  
388 debilitated patients, and therefore special care should be taken in treating this population.

389 To minimize the potential risk for an adverse gastrointestinal event in patients treated with an  
390 NSAID-containing product, the lowest effective dose should be used for the shortest possible  
391 duration. Patients and physicians should remain alert for signs and symptoms of gastrointestinal  
392 ulceration and bleeding during NSAID therapy and promptly initiate additional evaluation and  
393 treatment if a serious gastrointestinal adverse event is suspected. This should include  
394 discontinuation of the NSAID until a serious gastrointestinal adverse event is ruled out. For  
395 high-risk patients, alternate therapies that do not involve NSAIDs should be considered.

396 NSAIDs should be given with care to patients with a history of inflammatory bowel disease  
397 (ulcerative colitis, Crohn's disease) as their condition may be exacerbated.

398 **Renal Effects:** Long-term administration of NSAIDs has resulted in renal papillary necrosis  
399 and other renal injury. Renal toxicity has also been seen in patients in whom renal prostaglandins  
400 have a compensatory role in the maintenance of renal perfusion. In these patients administration  
401 of an NSAID may cause a dose-dependent reduction in prostaglandin formation and, secondarily,  
402 in renal blood flow, which may precipitate overt renal decompensation. Patients at greatest risk  
403 of this reaction are those with impaired renal function, heart failure, liver dysfunction, those  
404 taking diuretics and angiotensin-converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitors, and the elderly.  
405 Discontinuation of NSAID therapy is usually followed by recovery to the pretreatment state.

406 **Advanced Renal Disease:** Treatment with TREXIMET is not recommended in patients  
407 with advanced renal disease. If therapy with TREXIMET must be initiated, close monitoring of  
408 the patient's renal function is advisable (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY: Pharmacokinetics  
409 and PRECAUTIONS: Renal Effects). No information is available from controlled clinical  
410 studies regarding the use of TREXIMET in patients with advanced renal disease.

411 **Anaphylactic/Anaphylactoid Reactions:** As with other NSAID-containing products,  
412 anaphylactic/anaphylactoid reactions may occur in patients without known prior exposure to  
413 naproxen. TREXIMET should not be given to patients with the aspirin triad. This symptom  
414 complex typically occurs in patients with asthma who experience rhinitis with or without nasal  
415 polyps, or who exhibit severe, potentially fatal bronchospasm after taking aspirin or other  
416 NSAIDs (see CONTRAINDICATIONS, PRECAUTIONS: Preexisting Asthma, and  
417 PRECAUTIONS: Drug Interactions).

418 Anaphylactic/anaphylactoid reactions have occurred in patients receiving sumatriptan. Such  
419 reactions can be life-threatening or fatal. In general, anaphylactic reactions to drugs are more  
420 likely to occur in individuals with a history of sensitivity to multiple allergens (see  
421 CONTRAINDICATIONS). Emergency help should be sought in cases where an anaphylactoid  
422 reaction occurs. Anaphylactoid reactions, like anaphylaxis, may have a fatal outcome.

423 **Skin Reactions:** NSAID-containing products, including TREXIMET, can cause serious  
424 adverse events such as exfoliative dermatitis, Stevens-Johnson syndrome, and toxic epidermal  
425 necrolysis, which can be fatal. These serious events may occur without warning. Patients should  
426 be informed about the signs and symptoms of serious skin manifestations and use of the drug  
427 should be discontinued at the first appearance of skin rash or any other sign of hypersensitivity.

428 **Pregnancy:** TREXIMET should not be used in late pregnancy because NSAID-containing  
429 products have been shown to cause premature closure of the ductus arteriosus. TREXIMET  
430 should not be used during early pregnancy unless the potential benefit justifies the potential risk  
431 to the fetus (see PRECAUTIONS: Pregnancy).

## 432 **PRECAUTIONS**

433 **Naproxen-Containing Products: TREXIMET and other naproxen-containing products**  
434 **should not be used concomitantly since they all circulate in the plasma as the naproxen**  
435 **anion.**

436 **Chest, Jaw, or Neck Pain/Discomfort:** Chest discomfort and jaw or neck tightness have  
437 been reported following use of sumatriptan. Only rarely have these symptoms been associated  
438 with ischemic ECG changes. However, because sumatriptan may cause coronary artery  
439 vasospasm, patients who experience signs or symptoms suggestive of angina following  
440 TREXIMET should be evaluated for the presence of CAD or a predisposition to Prinzmetal  
441 variant angina before receiving additional doses of TREXIMET and should be monitored  
442 electrocardiographically if dosing is resumed and similar symptoms recur. Similarly, patients  
443 who experience other symptoms or signs suggestive of decreased arterial flow, such as ischemic  
444 bowel syndrome or Raynaud syndrome, following TREXIMET should be evaluated for  
445 atherosclerosis or predisposition to vasospasm (see WARNINGS: Cardiovascular Effects).

446 **Diseases That May Alter the Absorption, Metabolism, or Excretion of Drugs:**  
447 TREXIMET should also be administered with caution to patients with diseases that may alter the  
448 absorption, metabolism, or excretion of drugs, such as impaired renal function.



449 **Seizures:** TREXIMET should be used with caution in patients with a history of epilepsy or  
450 conditions associated with a lowered seizure threshold. There have been reports of seizure  
451 following administration of sumatriptan.

452 **Other Potentially Serious Neurologic Conditions:** Care should be taken to exclude other  
453 potentially serious neurologic conditions before treating headache in patients not previously  
454 diagnosed with migraine headache or who experience a headache that is atypical for them. There  
455 have been reports where patients received sumatriptan for severe headaches that were  
456 subsequently shown to have been secondary to an evolving neurologic lesion (see WARNINGS:  
457 Drug-Associated Cerebrovascular Events and Fatalities). For a given attack, if a patient does not  
458 respond to the first dose of TREXIMET, the diagnosis of migraine should be reconsidered before  
459 administration of a second dose.

460 **Hepatic Effects: TREXIMET is contraindicated in patients with hepatic impairment (see**  
461 **CONTRAINDICATIONS and CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY).** A patient with symptoms  
462 and/or signs suggesting liver dysfunction or in whom an abnormal liver test has occurred should  
463 be evaluated for evidence of the development of a more severe hepatic reaction while on therapy  
464 with TREXIMET. Borderline elevations of 1 or more liver tests may occur in up to 15% of  
465 patients who take NSAID-containing products. These abnormalities may progress, may remain  
466 essentially unchanged, or may be transient with continued therapy. Notable (3 times the upper  
467 limit of normal) elevations of SGPT (ALT) or SGOT (AST) have been reported in approximately  
468 1% of patients in clinical trials with NSAIDs. In addition, cases of severe hepatic reactions,  
469 including jaundice and fatal fulminant hepatitis, liver necrosis, and hepatic failure, some of them  
470 with fatal outcomes, have been reported with NSAIDs. A patient with symptoms and/or signs  
471 suggesting liver dysfunction, or in whom an abnormal liver test has occurred, should be  
472 evaluated for evidence of the development of a more severe hepatic reaction while on therapy  
473 with TREXIMET. If clinical signs and symptoms consistent with liver disease develop, or if  
474 systemic manifestations occur (e.g., eosinophilia, rash), TREXIMET should be discontinued.

475 **Overuse:** Overuse of acute migraine drugs (e.g., ergotamine, triptans, opioids, or a combination  
476 of drugs for 10 or more days per month) may lead to exacerbation of headache (medication  
477 overuse headache). Medication overuse headache may present as migraine-like daily headaches,  
478 or as a marked increase in frequency of migraine attacks. Detoxification of patients, including  
479 withdrawal of the overused drugs, and treatment of withdrawal symptoms (which often includes  
480 a transient worsening of headache) may be necessary. Migraine patients should be informed  
481 about the risks of medication overuse, and encouraged to record headache frequency and drug  
482 use.

483 **Binding to Melanin-Containing Tissues:** In rats treated with a single subcutaneous dose  
484 (0.5 mg/kg) or oral dose (2 mg/kg) of radiolabeled sumatriptan, the elimination half-life of  
485 radioactivity from the eye was 15 and 23 days, respectively, suggesting that sumatriptan and/or  
486 its metabolites bind to the melanin of the eye. Because there could be an accumulation in  
487 melanin-rich tissues over time, sumatriptan could possibly cause toxicity in these tissues after  
488 extended use. However, no effects on the retina related to treatment with sumatriptan were noted



489 in any of the oral or subcutaneous toxicity studies. Although no systematic monitoring of  
490 ophthalmologic function was undertaken in clinical trials and no specific recommendations for  
491 ophthalmologic monitoring are offered, prescribers should be aware of the possibility of long-  
492 term ophthalmologic effects.

493 **Corneal Opacities:** Sumatriptan causes corneal opacities and defects in the corneal epithelium  
494 in dogs (see ANIMAL TOXICOLOGY). Adverse eye findings have also been observed in  
495 animal studies with some NSAIDs. Patients were not systematically evaluated for these changes  
496 in clinical trials. However, since the animal findings raise the possibility that adverse effects on  
497 the eye may occur in humans, it is recommended that ophthalmic studies be carried out if any  
498 change or disturbance in vision occurs.

499 **Renal Effects:** Caution is recommended in patients with preexisting kidney disease or  
500 dehydration (see WARNINGS: Renal Effects). Naproxen and its metabolites are eliminated  
501 primarily by the kidneys; therefore, TREXIMET should be used with caution in patients with  
502 significantly impaired renal function, and monitoring of serum creatinine and/or creatinine  
503 clearance is advised in these patients. TREXIMET is not recommended for use in patients with  
504 creatinine clearance less than 30 mL/min (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY: Special  
505 Populations).

506 **Hematological Effects:** Patients on long-term treatment with NSAIDs, including  
507 TREXIMET, should have their hemoglobin or hematocrit checked if they exhibit any signs or  
508 symptoms of anemia. Anemia is sometimes seen in patients receiving NSAIDs. This may be due  
509 to fluid retention, occult or gross gastrointestinal blood loss, or an incompletely described effect  
510 upon erythropoiesis. Patients receiving TREXIMET who may be adversely affected by  
511 alterations in platelet function, such as those with coagulation disorders or patients receiving  
512 anticoagulants, should be carefully monitored. NSAID-containing products inhibit platelet  
513 aggregation and have been shown to prolong bleeding time in some patients. Unlike aspirin, their  
514 effect on platelet function is quantitatively less, of shorter duration, and reversible.

515 **Preexisting Asthma:** Patients with asthma may have aspirin-sensitive asthma. The use of  
516 aspirin in patients with aspirin-sensitive asthma has been associated with severe bronchospasm  
517 that can be fatal. Since cross reactivity, including bronchospasm, between aspirin and other  
518 NSAIDs has been reported in such aspirin-sensitive patients, TREXIMET should not be  
519 administered to patients with this form of aspirin sensitivity and should be used with caution in  
520 patients with preexisting asthma.

521 **Information for Patients:** Patients should be informed of the following information before  
522 initiating therapy with TREXIMET and periodically during the course of ongoing therapy.  
523 Patients should also be encouraged to read the Medication Guide that accompanies each  
524 prescription dispensed.

525 1. TREXIMET may cause serious cardiovascular side effects such as myocardial infarction or  
526 stroke, which may result in hospitalization and even death. Although serious cardiovascular  
527 events can occur without warning symptoms, patients should be alert for the signs and  
528 symptoms of chest pain, shortness of breath, weakness, slurring of speech, and should ask for

- 529 medical advice when observing any indicative sign or symptoms. Patients should be apprised  
530 of the importance of this follow-up (see WARNINGS: Cardiovascular Effects).
- 531 2. TREXIMET, like other NSAID-containing products, may cause gastrointestinal discomfort  
532 and, rarely, serious gastrointestinal side effects such as ulcers and bleeding, which may result  
533 in hospitalization and even death. Although serious gastrointestinal tract ulcerations and  
534 bleeding can occur without warning symptoms, patients should be alert for the signs and  
535 symptoms of ulcerations and bleeding and should ask for medical advice when observing any  
536 indicative sign or symptoms, including epigastric pain, dyspepsia, melena, and hematemesis.  
537 Patients should be apprised of the importance of this follow-up (see WARNINGS: Risk of  
538 Gastrointestinal Ulceration, Bleeding, and Perforation With Nonsteroidal Anti-inflammatory  
539 Drug Therapy).
- 540 3. TREXIMET, like other NSAID-containing products, may increase the risk of serious skin side  
541 effects such as exfoliative dermatitis, Stevens-Johnson syndrome, and toxic epidermal  
542 necrolysis, which may result in hospitalizations and even death. Although serious skin  
543 reactions may occur without warning, patients should be alert for the signs and symptoms of  
544 skin rash and blisters, fever, or other signs of hypersensitivity such as itching and should ask  
545 for medical advice when observing any indicative signs or symptoms. Patients should be  
546 advised to stop the drug immediately if they develop any type of rash and contact their  
547 physicians as soon as possible.
- 548 4. Patients should promptly report signs or symptoms of unexplained weight gain or edema to  
549 their physicians.
- 550 5. Patients should be informed of the warning signs and symptoms of hepatotoxicity (e.g.,  
551 nausea, fatigue, lethargy, pruritus, jaundice, right upper quadrant tenderness, flu-like  
552 symptoms). If these occur, patients should be instructed to stop therapy and seek immediate  
553 medical therapy.
- 554 6. Patients should be informed of the signs of an anaphylactic/anaphylactoid reaction (e.g.,  
555 difficulty breathing, swelling of the face or throat). If these occur, patients should be instructed  
556 to seek immediate emergency help (see WARNINGS: Anaphylactic/Anaphylactoid  
557 Reactions).
- 558 7. TREXIMET should not be used in late pregnancy because NSAID-containing products have  
559 been shown to cause premature closure of the ductus arteriosus. TREXIMET should not be  
560 used during early pregnancy unless the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus.
- 561 8. Patients should be cautioned about the risk of serotonin syndrome, particularly during  
562 concomitant use with SSRIs or SNRIs.
- 563 9. Caution should be exercised by patients whose activities require alertness if they experience  
564 drowsiness, dizziness, vertigo, or depression during therapy with TREXIMET.
- 565 **Laboratory Tests:** Because serious gastrointestinal tract ulcerations and bleeding can occur  
566 without warning symptoms, physicians should monitor for signs or symptoms of gastrointestinal  
567 bleeding. If clinical signs and symptoms consistent with liver or renal disease develop, systemic

568 manifestations occur (e.g., eosinophilia, rash), or abnormal liver tests persist or worsen,  
569 TREXIMET should be discontinued.

570 **Drug Interactions: Monoamine Oxidase-A Inhibitors:** The use of TREXIMET in patients  
571 receiving MAO-A inhibitors is contraindicated (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY: Drug  
572 Interactions and CONTRAINDICATIONS). MAO-A inhibitors reduce sumatriptan clearance,  
573 significantly increasing systemic exposure. In patients taking MAO-A inhibitors, sumatriptan  
574 plasma levels attained after treatment with recommended doses are 7-fold higher following oral  
575 administration than those obtained under other conditions.

576 **Ergot-Containing Drugs:** Ergot-containing drugs have been reported to cause prolonged  
577 vasospastic reactions. Because there is a theoretical basis that these effects may be additive, use  
578 of ergotamine-containing or ergot-type medications (e.g., dihydroergotamine, methysergide) and  
579 TREXIMET within 24 hours of each other should be avoided (see CONTRAINDICATIONS).

580 **Methotrexate:** Caution should be used if TREXIMET is administered concomitantly with  
581 methotrexate. Naproxen sodium and other NSAIDs have been reported to reduce the tubular  
582 secretion of methotrexate in an animal model, possibly increasing the toxicity of methotrexate.  
583 Concomitant administration of some NSAIDs with high-dose methotrexate therapy has been  
584 reported to elevate and prolong serum methotrexate levels, resulting in deaths from severe  
585 hematologic and gastrointestinal toxicity.

586 **Aspirin:** When naproxen is administered with aspirin, its protein binding is reduced,  
587 although the clearance of free naproxen is not altered. The clinical significance of this interaction  
588 is not known; however, as with other NSAID-containing products, concomitant administration of  
589 TREXIMET and aspirin is not generally recommended because of the potential of increased  
590 adverse effects.

591 **Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors/Serotonin Norepinephrine Reuptake**  
592 **Inhibitors and Serotonin Syndrome:** Cases of life-threatening serotonin syndrome have  
593 been reported during combined use of SSRIs or SNRIs and triptans (see WARNINGS: Serotonin  
594 Syndrome).

595 **Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme Inhibitors:** Reports suggest that NSAIDs may  
596 diminish the antihypertensive effect of ACE inhibitors. The use of TREXIMET in patients who  
597 are receiving ACE inhibitors may potentiate renal disease states (see WARNINGS: Renal  
598 Effects).

599 **Furosemide:** Clinical studies, as well as postmarketing observations, have shown that  
600 NSAIDs can reduce the natriuretic effect of furosemide and thiazides in some patients. This  
601 response has been attributed to inhibition of renal prostaglandin synthesis. During concomitant  
602 therapy with NSAIDs, the patient should be observed closely for signs of renal failure (see  
603 WARNINGS: Renal Effects), as well as to assure diuretic efficacy.

604 **Lithium:** NSAIDs have produced an elevation of plasma lithium levels and a reduction in  
605 renal lithium clearance. The mean minimum lithium concentration increased 15%, and the renal  
606 clearance was decreased by approximately 20%. These effects have been attributed to inhibition

607 of renal prostaglandin synthesis by the NSAID. Thus, when TREXIMET and lithium are  
608 administered concurrently, patients should be observed carefully for signs of lithium toxicity.

609 **Probenecid:** Probenecid given concurrently increases naproxen anion plasma levels and  
610 extends its plasma half-life significantly.

611 **Propranolol and Other Beta-Blockers:** Propranolol 80 mg given twice daily had no  
612 significant effect on sumatriptan pharmacokinetics. Naproxen and other NSAIDs can reduce the  
613 antihypertensive effect of propranolol and other beta-blockers.

614 **Warfarin:** The effects of warfarin and NSAIDs on gastrointestinal bleeding are synergistic,  
615 such that patients taking both drugs have a higher risk of serious gastrointestinal bleeding than  
616 patients taking either drug alone.

617 **Drug/Laboratory Test Interactions:** The ability of TREXIMET to interfere with commonly  
618 employed clinical laboratory tests has not been investigated.

619 Sumatriptan is not known to interfere with commonly employed clinical laboratory tests.  
620 Naproxen may decrease platelet aggregation and prolong bleeding time. This effect should be  
621 kept in mind when bleeding times are determined.

622 The administration of naproxen sodium may result in increased urinary values for 17-  
623 ketogenic steroids because of an interaction between the drug and/or its metabolites with m-di-  
624 nitrobenzene used in this assay. Although 17-hydroxy-corticosteroid measurements (Porter-  
625 Silber test) do not appear to be artifactually altered, it is suggested that therapy with naproxen be  
626 temporarily discontinued 72 hours before adrenal function tests are performed if the Porter-Silber  
627 test is to be used.

628 Naproxen may interfere with some urinary assays of 5-hydroxy indoleacetic acid (5HIAA).

629 **Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility: Carcinogenesis:** The  
630 carcinogenic potential of TREXIMET has not been studied.

631 The carcinogenic potential of sumatriptan was evaluated in oral carcinogenicity studies in  
632 mice (78 weeks) and rats (104 weeks). The highest dose administered to mice and rats  
633 (160 mg/kg/day) is approximately 9 and 18 times, respectively, the recommended human oral  
634 daily dose of 85 mg sumatriptan on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis. There was no evidence of an increase in  
635 tumors in either species related to sumatriptan administration.

636 The carcinogenic potential of naproxen sodium was evaluated in a 2-year oral carcinogenicity  
637 study in rats at doses of 8, 16, and 24 mg/kg/day and in another 2-year oral carcinogenicity study  
638 in rats at a dose of 8 mg/kg/day. No evidence of tumorigenicity was found in either study, at  
639 doses up to approximately 0.5 times the recommended human oral daily dose of 500 mg/day  
640 naproxen sodium on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis.

641 **Mutagenesis:** Sumatriptan and naproxen sodium tested alone and in combination were  
642 negative in an in vitro bacterial reverse mutation assay, and in an in vivo micronucleus assay in  
643 mice.

644 The combination of sumatriptan and naproxen sodium was negative in an in vitro mouse  
645 lymphoma tk assay in the presence and absence of metabolic activation. However, in separate in

646 vitro mouse lymphoma tk assays, naproxen sodium alone was reproducibly positive in the  
647 presence of metabolic activation.

648 Naproxen sodium alone and in combination with sumatriptan was positive in an in vitro  
649 clastogenicity assay in mammalian cells in the presence and absence of metabolic activation. The  
650 clastogenic effect for the combination was reproducible within this assay and was greater than  
651 observed with naproxen sodium alone. Sumatriptan alone was negative in these assays.

652 Chromosomal aberrations were not induced in peripheral blood lymphocytes following 7 days  
653 of twice-daily dosing with TREXIMET in human volunteers.

654 In previous studies, sumatriptan alone was not mutagenic in 2 gene mutation assays (the Ames  
655 test and the in vitro Chinese Hamster V79/HGPRT assay) and was not clastogenic in 2  
656 cytogenetics assays (the in vitro human lymphocyte assay and the in vivo rat micronucleus  
657 assay).

658 **Impairment of Fertility:** The effect of TREXIMET on fertility in animals has not been  
659 studied.

660 In a study in which male and female rats were dosed daily with oral sumatriptan prior to and  
661 throughout the mating period, there was a treatment-related decrease in fertility secondary to a  
662 decrease in mating in animals treated with 50 and 500 mg/kg/day. The highest no-effect dose for  
663 this finding was 5 mg/kg/day, or approximately 0.5 times the recommended human oral daily  
664 dose of 85 mg sumatriptan on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis. It is not clear whether the problem is associated  
665 with treatment of the males or females or both combined. In a similar study of sumatriptan by the  
666 subcutaneous route there was no evidence of impaired fertility at doses up to 60 mg/kg/day.

667 **Pregnancy:** Pregnancy Category C. In developmental toxicity studies in rabbits, oral treatment  
668 with sumatriptan combined with naproxen sodium (5/9, 25/45, or 50/90 mg/kg/day  
669 sumatriptan/naproxen sodium) or each drug alone (50/0 or 0/90 mg/kg/day sumatriptan/naproxen  
670 sodium) resulted in decreased fetal body weight in all treated groups and in increased  
671 embryofetal death at the highest dose of naproxen, alone and in combination with sumatriptan.  
672 Naproxen sodium, alone and in combination with sumatriptan, increased the total incidences of  
673 fetal abnormalities at all doses and increased the incidences of specific malformations (cardiac  
674 interventricular septal defect in the 50/90-mg/kg/day group, fused caudal vertebrae in the 50/0-  
675 and 0/90-mg/kg/day groups) and variations (absent intermediate lobe of the lung, irregular  
676 ossification of the skull, incompletely ossified sternal centra) in the 50/0- and 0/90-mg/kg/day  
677 groups. A no-effect dose for development toxicity in rabbits was not established. The lowest  
678 effect dose was 5/9 mg/kg/day sumatriptan/naproxen sodium, which was associated with plasma  
679 exposures (AUC) to sumatriptan and naproxen that were 1.4 and 0.14 times, respectively, those  
680 attained at the maximum recommended human oral daily dose of 85 mg sumatriptan and 500 mg  
681 naproxen sodium.

682 In previous developmental toxicity studies in rats and rabbits, oral treatment with sumatriptan  
683 was associated with embryoletality, fetal abnormalities, and pup mortality. Oral treatment of  
684 pregnant rats with sumatriptan during the period of organogenesis resulted in an increased  
685 incidence of fetal blood vessel (cervicothoracic and umbilical) abnormalities and decreased pup



686 survival at doses of 250 mg/kg/day or higher. The highest no-effect dose was approximately  
687 60 mg/kg/day, which is approximately 7 times the recommended human oral daily dose of 85 mg  
688 sumatriptan on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis. Oral treatment of pregnant rabbits with sumatriptan during the  
689 period of organogenesis resulted in an increased incidence of cervicothoracic vascular and  
690 skeletal abnormalities at a dose of 50 mg/kg/day and embryoletality at 100 mg/kg/day. The  
691 highest no-effect dose for embryotoxicity in rabbits was 15 mg/kg/day, or approximately 3 times  
692 the recommended human oral daily dose of 85 mg sumatriptan on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis.

693 Inhibitors of prostaglandin synthesis (including naproxen) are known to delay parturition.  
694 Because of this and the known effects of drugs of this class on the human fetal cardiovascular  
695 system (closure of the ductus arteriosus), use during third trimester should be avoided.

696 There are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women.

697 TREXIMET should not be used during pregnancy unless the potential benefit justifies the  
698 potential risk to the fetus.

699 **Pregnancy Registry:** To monitor fetal outcomes of pregnant women exposed to  
700 TREXIMET, GlaxoSmithKline maintains a TREXIMET Pregnancy Registry. Physicians are  
701 encouraged to register patients as soon as possible after they become pregnant and (if possible)  
702 before the outcome of the pregnancy is known by calling (800) 336-2176.

703 **Labor and Delivery:** In rat studies with NSAIDs, as with other drugs known to inhibit  
704 prostaglandin synthesis, an increased incidence of dystocia, delayed parturition, and decreased  
705 pup survival occurred. Naproxen-containing products are not recommended in labor and delivery  
706 because, through its prostaglandin synthesis inhibitory effect, naproxen may adversely affect  
707 fetal circulation and inhibit uterine contractions, thus increasing the risk of uterine hemorrhage.

708 **Nursing Mothers:** Both active components of TREXIMET, sumatriptan and naproxen sodium,  
709 have been reported to be excreted in human breast milk. Because of the possible adverse effects  
710 of these drugs on neonates, use of TREXIMET in nursing mothers should be avoided.

711 **Pediatric Use:** Safety and effectiveness of TREXIMET in pediatric patients have not been  
712 established.

713 **Geriatric Use:** TREXIMET is contraindicated for use in elderly patients who have abnormal  
714 hepatic function, and is not recommended for use in elderly patients who have decreased renal  
715 function, higher risk for unrecognized CAD, and increases in blood pressure that may be more  
716 pronounced in the elderly (see CONTRAINDICATIONS: Hepatic Impairment, WARNINGS:  
717 Cardiovascular Effects, and CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY: Pharmacokinetics).

## 718 **ADVERSE REACTIONS**

719 The adverse reactions reported below are specific to the clinical trials with TREXIMET. See  
720 also the full prescribing information for naproxen and sumatriptan products.

721 **Incidence in Controlled Clinical Trials:** Table 2 lists adverse events that occurred in 2  
722 placebo-controlled clinical trials evaluating patients who took at least 1 dose of study drug. Only  
723 events that occurred at a frequency of 2% or more with TREXIMET and were more frequent  
724 than in the placebo group are included in Table 2. The events cited reflect experience gained



725 under closely monitored conditions of clinical trials in a highly selected patient population. In  
726 actual clinical practice or in other clinical trials, these frequency estimates may not apply, as the  
727 conditions of use, reporting behavior, and the kinds of patients treated may differ.

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729 **Table 2. Treatment-Emergent Adverse Events Reported by at Least 2% of Patients in 2**  
730 **Controlled Migraine Trials<sup>a</sup>**

Adverse Event	Percent of Patients Reporting			
	TREXIMET (n = 737)	Placebo (n = 752)	Sumatriptan 85 mg (n = 735)	Naproxen Sodium 500 mg (n = 732)
Nervous system disorders				
Dizziness	4	2	2	2
Somnolence	3	2	2	2
Paresthesia	2	<1	2	<1
Gastrointestinal disorders				
Nausea	3	1	3	<1
Dyspepsia	2	1	2	1
Dry mouth	2	1	2	<1
Pain and other pressure sensations				
Chest discomfort/chest pain	3	<1	2	1
Neck/throat/jaw pain/tightness/pressure	3	1	3	1

731 <sup>a</sup> Events that occurred at a frequency of 2% or more in the group treated with TREXIMET  
732 and that occurred more frequently in the group treated with TREXIMET than in the  
733 placebo group.

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735 Other events that occurred in more than 1% of patients receiving TREXIMET and occurred at  
736 a frequency greater than the placebo group included asthenia, feeling hot, muscle tightness, and  
737 palpitations.

738 TREXIMET was generally well tolerated. Most adverse reactions were mild and transient.  
739 The incidence of adverse events in controlled clinical trials was not affected by gender or age of  
740 the patients. There were insufficient data to assess the impact of race on the incidence of adverse  
741 events.

742 **Other Events Observed in Migraine Clinical Trials Associated With the**  
743 **Administration of TREXIMET:** The occurrence of less commonly reported adverse clinical  
744 events is presented in this section. Because the reports include events observed in an open-label,  
745 long-term safety study in which TREXIMET was used as needed for up to 12 months, the role of  
746 TREXIMET cannot be reliably determined. Furthermore, variability associated with adverse

747 event reporting, the terminology used to describe adverse events, etc., limit the value of  
748 quantitative frequency estimates provided. Event frequencies are calculated as the number of  
749 patients who used TREXIMET and reported an event divided by the total number of patients  
750 (N = 3,302) exposed to TREXIMET. Events listed in the previous table and text are not included  
751 below. Those events described too generally to be informative or those unlikely to be associated  
752 with the use of TREXIMET are excluded. Events are further classified within body system  
753 categories and enumerated in order of decreasing frequency using the following definitions:  
754 frequent adverse events are those occurring in at least 1/100 patients, infrequent adverse events  
755 are those occurring in 1/100 to 1/1,000 patients, and rare adverse events are those occurring in  
756 fewer than 1/1,000 patients.

757 **Blood and Lymphatic Disorders:** Infrequent was lymphadenopathy. Rare were anemia,  
758 ecchymosis, leukopenia.

759 **Cardiac Disorders:** Infrequent was tachycardia. Rare were acute coronary syndrome,  
760 cardiac flutter, congestive cardiac failure, right ventricular failure, ventricular extrasystoles.

761 **Ear and Labyrinth Disorders:** Infrequent were ear pain, tinnitus. Rare were motion  
762 sickness, vertigo.

763 **Endocrine, Metabolic, and Nutrition Disorders:** Rare were diabetes mellitus, goiter,  
764 hypoglycemia, hypothyroidism.

765 **Eye Disorders:** Infrequent was conjunctivitis. Rare were cataract, conjunctival hemorrhage,  
766 visual disturbance.

767 **Gastrointestinal Disorders:** Frequent was abdominal pain. Infrequent were abdominal  
768 distention, constipation, diarrhea, dysgeusia, dysphagia, flatulence, gastritis, gastroesophageal  
769 reflux disease, vomiting. Rare were colitis, diverticulitis, gastric ulcer, irritable bowel syndrome,  
770 oral mucosal blistering, swollen tongue.

771 **General Disorders:** Frequent was fatigue. Infrequent were feeling jittery, lethargy, malaise,  
772 peripheral edema, pyrexia, temperature intolerance, thirst. Rare was difficulty in walking.

773 **Hepatobiliary Disorders:** Rare was biliary colic.

774 **Infections and Infestations:** Rare were kidney infection, pneumonia, sepsis,  
775 staphylococcal infection, viral myocarditis.

776 **Musculoskeletal and Connective Tissue:** Infrequent were arthralgia, back pain,  
777 muscular weakness, myalgia, sensation of heaviness.

778 **Nervous System Disorders:** Infrequent were burning sensation, disturbance of attention,  
779 insomnia, mental impairment, tremor. Rare were aphasia, facial palsy, impairment of  
780 psychomotor skills, sedation.

781 **Psychiatric Disorders:** Infrequent were anxiety, depression, irritability, nervousness. Rare  
782 were disorientation, panic attack.

783 **Renal and Urinary Disorders:** Infrequent was nephrolithiasis. Rare was renal  
784 insufficiency.

785 **Respiratory, Thoracic, and Mediastinal:** Infrequent were asthma, cough, dyspnea,  
786 oropharyngeal swelling. Rare was pleurisy.

787 **Skin and Subcutaneous Disorders:** Infrequent were facial swelling, hyperhidrosis,  
788 pruritus, rash, urticaria. Rare was systemic lupus erythematosus.

789 **Vascular Disorders:** Infrequent were flushing, hot flush, hypertension. Rare were epistaxis,  
790 peripheral coldness.

## 791 **DRUG ABUSE AND DEPENDENCE**

792 The potential for abuse with TREXIMET has not been studied.

793 One clinical study with sumatriptan succinate injection enrolling 12 patients with a history of  
794 substance abuse failed to induce subjective behavior and/or physiologic response ordinarily  
795 associated with drugs that have an established potential for abuse.

## 796 **OVERDOSAGE**

797 Because strategies for the management of overdose are continually evolving, it is advisable to  
798 contact a Poison Control Center to determine the latest recommendations for the management of  
799 an overdose of any drug.

800 There have been no reports of overdosage with TREXIMET. Since sumatriptan and naproxen  
801 have pharmacologically different actions, it is difficult to predict how an individual will respond  
802 to an overdosage with TREXIMET.

803 Patients (N = 670) have received single oral doses of 140 to 300 mg of sumatriptan without  
804 significant adverse effects. Volunteers (N = 174) have received single oral doses of 140 to  
805 400 mg without serious adverse events. Overdose of sumatriptan in animals has been fatal and  
806 has been heralded by convulsions, tremor, paralysis, inactivity, ptosis, erythema of the  
807 extremities, abnormal respiration, cyanosis, ataxia, mydriasis, salivation, and lacrimation.

808 Significant naproxen overdosage may be characterized by lethargy, dizziness, drowsiness,  
809 epigastric pain, abdominal discomfort, heartburn, indigestion, nausea, transient alterations in  
810 liver function, hypoprothrombinemia, renal dysfunction, metabolic acidosis, apnea,  
811 disorientation, or vomiting. Gastrointestinal bleeding can occur. Hypertension, acute renal  
812 failure, respiratory depression, and coma may occur, but are rare. Anaphylactoid reactions have  
813 been reported with therapeutic ingestion of NSAIDs, and may occur following an overdose.  
814 Because naproxen sodium may be rapidly absorbed, high and early blood levels should be  
815 anticipated. A few patients have experienced seizures, but it is not clear whether or not these  
816 were drug related. It is not known what dose of the drug would be life threatening.

817 In animals 0.5 g/kg of activated charcoal was effective in reducing plasma levels of naproxen.  
818 Patients should be managed by symptomatic and supportive care. There are no specific antidotes.  
819 Hemodialysis does not decrease the plasma concentration of naproxen because of the high  
820 degree of its protein binding. It is unknown what effect hemodialysis or peritoneal dialysis has  
821 on the serum concentrations of sumatriptan. Emesis and/or activated charcoal (60 to 100 g in  
822 adults, 1 to 2 g/kg in children) and/or osmotic cathartic may be indicated in patients seen within  
823 4 hours of ingestion with symptoms or following a large overdose. Forced diuresis, alkalization  
824 of urine, or hemoperfusion may not be useful due to high protein binding.

825 **DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION**

826 TREXIMET is a fixed combination containing doses of sumatriptan (85 mg) and naproxen  
827 sodium (500 mg) within the approved dosage ranges of the individual components (25 to 100 mg  
828 of sumatriptan and 220 to 825 mg of naproxen sodium). TREXIMET contains a dose of  
829 sumatriptan higher than the lowest effective dose. Individuals may vary in response to doses of  
830 sumatriptan. The choice of the dose of sumatriptan, and of the use of a fixed combination such as  
831 in TREXIMET should therefore be made on an individual basis, weighing the possible benefit of  
832 a higher dose of sumatriptan with the potential for a greater risk of adverse events. Carefully  
833 consider the potential benefits and risks of TREXIMET and other treatment options when  
834 deciding to use TREXIMET.

835 The recommended dose is 1 tablet. In controlled clinical trials, single doses of TREXIMET  
836 were effective for the acute treatment of migraine in adults (see CLINICAL TRIALS).

837 The efficacy of taking a second dose has not been established. Do not take more than 2  
838 TREXIMET tablets in 24 hours. Dosing of tablets should be at least 2 hours apart. The safety of  
839 treating an average of more than 5 migraine headaches in a 30-day period has not been  
840 established.

841 TREXIMET may be administered with or without food. Tablets should not be split, crushed,  
842 or chewed.

843 The combined use of TREXIMET with MAO-A inhibitors or use of TREXIMET within  
844 2 weeks of discontinuation of MAO-A inhibitor therapy is contraindicated (see  
845 CONTRAINDICATIONS, CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY: Drug Interactions,  
846 PRECAUTIONS: Drug Interactions).

847 TREXIMET and any ergotamine-containing or ergot-type medication (like dihydroergotamine  
848 or methysergide) should not be used within 24 hours of each other. TREXIMET and other 5-HT<sub>1</sub>  
849 agonists should not be administered within 24 hours of each other (see CONTRAINDICATIONS  
850 and PRECAUTIONS: Drug Interactions).

851 TREXIMET is contraindicated in patients with hepatic impairment (see  
852 CONTRAINDICATIONS and CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY: Special Populations).

853 TREXIMET is not recommended for use in patients with creatinine clearance less  
854 than 30 mL/min (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY: Special Populations and  
855 PRECAUTIONS: Renal Effects).

856 **HOW SUPPLIED**

857 TREXIMET contains 119 mg of sumatriptan succinate equivalent to 85 mg of sumatriptan  
858 and 500 mg of naproxen sodium and is supplied as blue film-coated tablets debossed on one side  
859 with *TREXIMET* in compact containers of 9 tablets with a specially formulated, non-removable  
860 desiccant (NDC 0173-0750-00).

861 **Store at 25°C (77°F); excursions permitted to 15°-30°C (59°-86°F) [see USP Controlled**  
862 **Room Temperature]. Do not repack; dispense and store in original container.**

863 **ANIMAL TOXICOLOGY**

864 **Corneal Opacities:** Dogs receiving oral sumatriptan developed corneal opacities and defects  
865 in the corneal epithelium. Corneal opacities were seen at the lowest dosage tested, 2 mg/kg/day,  
866 and were present after 1 month of treatment. Defects in the corneal epithelium were noted in a  
867 60-week study. Earlier examinations for these toxicities were not conducted and no-effect doses  
868 were not established; the lowest dose tested is approximately 0.8 times the recommended human  
869 oral daily dose of 85 mg sumatriptan on a mg/m<sup>2</sup> basis. There was evidence of alterations in  
870 corneal appearance on the first day of intranasal dosing to dogs at all doses tested.

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**TREXIMET<sup>®</sup> [trex' i-met] Tablets**

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**(sumatriptan and naproxen sodium)**

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889 **What is the most important information I should know about TREXIMET?**

890 **1. TREXIMET may increase your chance of a heart attack or stroke that can lead to**  
891 **death. TREXIMET contains 2 medicines: sumatriptan and naproxen sodium (a**  
892 **nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug [NSAID]).**

893 **Your chance of a heart attack or stroke increases:**

- 894 • with longer use of NSAID medicines
- 895 • if you have heart disease.

896 **2. TREXIMET should never be used right before or after a heart surgery called a**  
897 **coronary artery bypass graft (CABG).**

898 **3. TREXIMET can cause ulcers and bleeding in the stomach and intestines at any time**  
899 **during your treatment.**

900 **Ulcers and bleeding:**

- 901 • can happen without warning symptoms  
902 • may cause death.

903 **Your chance of getting an ulcer or bleeding increases with:**

- 904 • the use of medicines called steroid hormones (corticosteroids) and blood thinners  
905 (anticoagulants)  
906 • longer use  
907 • more frequent use  
908 • smoking  
909 • drinking alcohol  
910 • older age  
911 • having poor health.

912 **4. TRIXIMET is not recommended for people with risk factors for heart disease unless a**  
913 **heart exam is done and shows no problems.**

914 **Risk factors for heart disease include:**

- 915 • high blood pressure  
916 • high cholesterol levels  
917 • smoking  
918 • obesity  
919 • diabetes  
920 • family history of heart disease  
921 • female who has gone through menopause  
922 • male over age 40.

923 **5. “Serotonin syndrome” is a serious and life-threatening problem that may occur with**  
924 **TRIXIMET, especially if used with antidepressant medicines** called selective serotonin  
925 reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs) or selective norepinephrine reuptake inhibitors (SNRIs).

926 **Commonly used SSRIs are:**

- 927 • CELEXA<sup>®</sup> (citalopram HBr)  
928 • LEXAPRO<sup>®</sup> (escitalopram oxalate)  
929 • PAXIL<sup>®</sup> (paroxetine)  
930 • PROZAC<sup>®</sup>/SARAFEM<sup>®</sup> (fluoxetine)  
931 • SYMBYAX<sup>®</sup> (olanzapine/fluoxetine)  
932 • ZOLOFT<sup>®</sup> (sertraline)  
933 • LUVOX<sup>®</sup> (fluvoxamine).

934 **Commonly used SNRIs are:**

- 935 • CYMBALTA<sup>®</sup> (duloxetine)  
936 • EFFEXOR<sup>®</sup> (venlafaxine).



937 **Call your healthcare provider if you have symptoms of serotonin syndrome, which**  
938 **include:**

- 939 • mental changes (hallucinations, agitation, coma)
- 940 • fast heartbeat
- 941 • changes in blood pressure
- 942 • high body temperature or sweating
- 943 • tight muscles
- 944 • trouble walking
- 945 • nausea, vomiting, diarrhea.

946 **6. TREXIMET should only be used:**

- 947 • exactly as prescribed
- 948 • at the lowest dose possible for your treatment
- 949 • for the shortest time needed.

950 **7. TREXIMET already contains an NSAID (naproxen). Do not use TREXIMET with**  
951 **other medicines to lessen pain or fever without talking to your healthcare provider first,**  
952 **because they may contain an NSAID also.**

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954 **What is TREXIMET?**

955 TREXIMET is a prescription medicine used to treat migraine attacks in adults. It does not  
956 prevent or lessen the number of migraines you have, and it is not for other types of headaches.  
957 TREXIMET contains 2 medicines: sumatriptan and naproxen sodium (an NSAID). This  
958 Medication Guide provides important information you need to know before taking TREXIMET.  
959 It does not take the place of talking with your healthcare provider about your medical condition  
960 or your treatment.

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962 **How should I take TREXIMET?**

- 963 • Take 1 TREXIMET tablet to treat your migraine headache. Do not take more than 2  
964 TREXIMET tablets in 24 hours. Doses should be separated by at least 2 hours.
- 965 • TREXIMET can be taken with or without food.
- 966 • Do not split, crush, or chew TREXIMET tablets.
- 967 • If you take too much TREXIMET, call the Poison Control Center at 1-800-222-1222.

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969 **Who should not take TREXIMET?**

970 Do not take TREXIMET right before or after heart bypass surgery. Do not take TREXIMET if  
971 you have or have had:

- 972 • uncontrolled high blood pressure
- 973 • hemiplegic or basilar migraine. (Ask your doctor if you are not sure what type of migraine  
974 you have.)

- 975 • liver problems
  - 976 • an asthma attack, hives, or other allergic reaction with aspirin or any other NSAID medicine
  - 977 • a heart attack or a history or symptoms of heart disease (such as chest pain or angina)
  - 978 • a stroke, mini-stroke (transient ischemic attack or TIA), or other stroke-like syndrome
  - 979 • problems with blood circulation to parts of your body, such as less blood flow to your
  - 980 intestines (ischemic bowel disease)
  - 981 • allergic reactions to sumatriptan, naproxen, or other ingredients in TREXIMET.
- 982 **Do not take TREXIMET if you take or have taken an antidepressant medicine called a**  
983 **monoamine oxidase (MAO) inhibitor within the last 2 weeks.** Common MAO inhibitors are  
984 isocarboxazid (MARPLAN<sup>®</sup>), phenelzine (NARDIL<sup>®</sup>), tranylcypromine (PARNATE<sup>®</sup>), and  
985 selegiline (ELDEPRYL<sup>®</sup>, EMSAM<sup>®</sup>). Ask your healthcare provider if you are not sure if your  
986 medicine is an MAO inhibitor.
- 987 **Do not take TREXIMET if you have taken other migraine medicines in the last 24 hours**  
988 **such as:**
- 989 • ergotamine-containing medicine or
  - 990 • another triptan medicine.
- 991 **Before starting TREXIMET, tell your healthcare provider about:**
- 992 • all of your medical conditions including kidney or liver problems
  - 993 • all allergies to any medicines
  - 994 • chest pain, shortness of breath, irregular heartbeats
  - 995 • medicines you may take for migraines, depression, or other health problems such as MAO
  - 996 inhibitors, SSRIs, or SNRIs
  - 997 • all the prescription and non-prescription medicines you take, including vitamins and herbal
  - 998 supplements. Some medicines can interact with TREXIMET and cause serious side effects.
- 999 **Keep a list of your medicines to show to your healthcare provider. Before starting**  
1000 **TREXIMET, tell your healthcare provider if you:**
- 1001 • are pregnant, think you might be pregnant, or are trying to become pregnant. **TREXIMET**  
1002 **should not be used by pregnant women late in their pregnancy.**
  - 1003 • are breastfeeding
  - 1004 • have a headache that is different from your usual migraine
  - 1005 • have or have had epilepsy or seizures.
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1007 **What are the possible side effects of TREXIMET?**

<b>Serious side effects include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• heart attack</li><li>• heartbeat problems</li><li>• stroke</li><li>• high blood pressure</li><li>• heart failure from body swelling (fluid retention)</li><li>• kidney problems including kidney failure</li><li>• bleeding and ulcers in the stomach and intestine</li><li>• low red blood cells (anemia)</li><li>• life-threatening skin reactions</li><li>• life-threatening allergic reactions</li><li>• liver problems including liver failure</li><li>• asthma attacks in people who have asthma</li><li>• loss of blood circulation to areas of your body</li><li>• serotonin syndrome (See list of symptoms in “What is the most important information I should know about TREXIMET?”)</li></ul>	<b>Other side effects include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• pain, tightness, or pressure in the chest, neck, and throat</li><li>• stomach pain</li><li>• constipation</li><li>• diarrhea</li><li>• gas</li><li>• heartburn</li><li>• nausea</li><li>• vomiting</li><li>• dizziness</li><li>• drowsiness</li><li>• tiredness</li><li>• weakness</li><li>• tingling and numbness</li><li>• unusual body sensations</li><li>• redness of face (flushed)</li></ul>
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1008 **Get emergency help right away if you have any of the following symptoms:**

- 1009 • shortness of breath or trouble breathing
- 1010 • chest pain
- 1011 • swelling of the face or throat
- 1012 • weakness in one part or on one side of your body
- 1013 • slurred speech.

1014 **Stop TREXIMET and call your healthcare provider right away if you have any of the following symptoms:**

- 1015
- 1016 • nausea that seems out of proportion to your migraine
- 1017 • stomach pain
- 1018 • sudden/severe pain in your belly
- 1019 • vomit blood
- 1020 • blood in your bowel movement or it is black and sticky like tar
- 1021 • itching
- 1022 • skin rash or blisters with fever
- 1023 • yellow skin or eyes
- 1024 • swelling of the arms and legs, hands, feet, face, lips, or tongue
- 1025 • unusual weight gain
- 1026 • more tired or weaker than usual
- 1027 • flu-like symptoms

- 1028 • serotonin syndrome. See list of symptoms in “What is the most important information I  
1029 should know about TREXIMET?”

1030 Tell your healthcare provider if you have any side effects that bother you or do not go away.  
1031 These are not all of the side effects of TREXIMET. For more information ask your healthcare  
1032 provider.

1033 Call your healthcare provider for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects  
1034 to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

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1036 **How should I store TREXIMET?**

- 1037 • Store TREXIMET at room temperature, 59° to 86°F (15° to 30°C).  
1038 • Keep TREXIMET and all medicines out of the reach of children.

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1040 **General information about TREXIMET**

- 1041 • Medicines are sometimes prescribed for purposes other than those listed in a Medication  
1042 Guide. Do not use TREXIMET for a condition for which it was not prescribed.  
1043 • Do not give TREXIMET to other people, even if they have the same problem you have. It  
1044 may harm them.  
1045 • This Medication Guide contains the most important information about TREXIMET. If you  
1046 would like more information, talk with your healthcare provider.  
1047 • You can ask your healthcare provider for information written for healthcare professionals.  
1048 • For more information call 1-888-825-5249 (toll-free) or visit [www.TREXIMET.com](http://www.TREXIMET.com).

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1050 **What are the ingredients in TREXIMET?**

1051 **Active ingredients:** sumatriptan succinate and naproxen sodium

1052 **Inactive ingredients:** croscarmellose sodium, dextrose monohydrate, dibasic calcium  
1053 phosphate, FD&C Blue No. 2, lecithin, magnesium stearate, maltodextrin, microcrystalline  
1054 cellulose, povidone, sodium bicarbonate, sodium carboxymethylcellulose, talc, and titanium  
1055 dioxide.

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1057 **This Medication Guide has been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.**


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