

**PATIENT INFORMATION**  
**CALQUENCE® (KAL-kwens)**  
**(acalabrutinib)**  
**capsules**

**What is CALQUENCE?**

CALQUENCE is a prescription medicine used to treat adults with mantle cell lymphoma (MCL) who have received at least one prior treatment for their cancer.

It is not known if CALQUENCE is safe and effective in children.

**What should I tell my healthcare provider before taking CALQUENCE?**

**Before taking CALQUENCE, tell your healthcare provider about all of your medical conditions, including if you:**

- have had recent surgery or plan to have surgery. Your healthcare provider may stop CALQUENCE for any planned medical, surgical, or dental procedure.
- have bleeding problems.
- have or had heart rhythm problems.
- have an infection.
- have or had hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection.
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. CALQUENCE may harm your unborn baby.
- are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed. It is not known if CALQUENCE passes into your breast milk. Do not breastfeed during treatment with CALQUENCE and for 2 weeks after your final dose of CALQUENCE.

**Tell your healthcare provider about all the medicines you take**, including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements. Taking CALQUENCE with certain other medications may affect how CALQUENCE works and can cause side effects. Especially tell your healthcare provider if you take a blood thinner medicine.

**How should I take CALQUENCE?**

- Take CALQUENCE exactly as your healthcare provider tells you to take it.
- Do not change your dose or stop taking CALQUENCE unless your healthcare provider tells you to.
- Your healthcare provider may tell you to decrease your dose, temporarily stop, or completely stop taking CALQUENCE if you develop certain side effects.
- Take CALQUENCE 2 times a day (about 12 hours apart).
- Take CALQUENCE with or without food.
- Swallow CALQUENCE capsules whole with a glass of water. Do not open, break, or chew capsules.
- If you need to take an antacid medicine, take it either 2 hours before or 2 hours after you take CALQUENCE.
- If you need to take certain other medicines called acid reducers (H-2 receptor blockers), take CALQUENCE 2 hours before the acid reducer medicine.
- If you miss a dose of CALQUENCE, take it as soon as you remember. If it is more than 3 hours past your usual dosing time, skip the missed dose and take your next dose of CALQUENCE at your regularly scheduled time. Do not take an extra dose to make up for a missed dose.

**What are the possible side effects of CALQUENCE?**

**CALQUENCE may cause serious side effects, including:**

- **Bleeding problems (hemorrhage)** may happen during treatment with CALQUENCE, and can be serious. Your risk of bleeding may increase if you are also taking a blood thinner medicine. Tell your healthcare provider if you have any signs or symptoms of bleeding, including:
  - blood in your stools or black stools (looks like tar)
  - pink or brown urine
  - unexpected bleeding, or bleeding that is severe or you cannot control
  - vomit blood or vomit that looks like coffee grounds
  - cough up blood or blood clots
  - dizziness
  - weakness
  - confusion
  - changes in your speech
  - headache that lasts a long time
- **Infections** can happen during treatment with CALQUENCE. These infections can be serious and may lead to death. Tell your healthcare provider right away if you have fever, chills, or flu-like symptoms.
- **Decrease in blood cell counts.** Decreased blood counts (white blood cells, platelets, and red blood cells) are common with CALQUENCE, but can also be severe. Your healthcare provider should do monthly blood tests to check your blood counts.
- **Second primary cancers.** New cancers have happened in people during treatment with CALQUENCE, including cancers of the skin. Use sun protection when you are outside in sunlight.
- **Heart rhythm problems (atrial fibrillation and atrial flutter)** have happened in people treated with CALQUENCE. Tell your healthcare provider if you have any of the following signs or symptoms:
  - your heartbeat is fast or irregular
  - feel lightheaded or dizzy
  - pass out (faint)
  - shortness of breath
  - chest discomfort

**The most common side effects of CALQUENCE include:**

- headache
- diarrhea
- tiredness
- muscle aches
- bruising

These are not all the possible side effects of CALQUENCE.

Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

**How should I store CALQUENCE?**

- Store CALQUENCE at room temperature between 68°F to 77°F (20°C to 25°C).

**Keep CALQUENCE and all medicines out of the reach of children.**

**General information about the safe and effective use of CALQUENCE.**

Medicines are sometimes prescribed for purposes other than those listed in a Patient Information leaflet. Do not use CALQUENCE for a condition for which it was not prescribed. Do not give CALQUENCE to other people, even if they have the same symptoms you have. It may harm them. You can ask your healthcare provider or pharmacist for more information about CALQUENCE that is written for health professionals.

**What are the ingredients in CALQUENCE?**

**Active ingredient:** acalabrutinib

**Inactive ingredients:** silicified microcrystalline cellulose, pregelatinized starch, magnesium stearate, and sodium starch glycolate.

Capsule shell contains: gelatin, titanium dioxide, yellow iron oxide, FD&C Blue 2, and black ink.

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