

Non-Stimulant Long Acting Medication		
What is the brand name?	Strattera[®]	Intuniv XR
What is the generic name?	atomoxetine	guanfacine XR
Who makes it?	Eli Lilly Canada Inc.	Shire Canada Inc
What strengths does it come in?	10 mg, 18 mg, 25 mg, 40 mg, 60 mg, 80 mg, 100 mg	1mg, 2mg, 3mg, 4mg
What are the important non-medicinal ingredients?	Pregelatinized starch, dimethicone, gelatin, sodium lauryl sulfate, synthetic yellow iron oxide, red iron oxide, titanium dioxide and dyes	Crospovidone, fumaric acid, glyceryl behenate, green pigment blend PB-1763 (3mg and 4mg tablets only), hypromellose, lactose, methacrylic acid copolymer, microcrystalline cellulose, and povidone
How do I take the drug?	Only by mouth, (with or without food)	Swallow the pill whole. Do not eat grapefruit or take with high fat meals.
Can I sprinkle it on food?	Do not open the capsules.	Tablets should not be crushed, chewed or broken down before swallowing
What type of medication is it?	Not a stimulant	It is not a stimulant or a controlled substance
Will I notice it working right away?	It will take 1 to 4 weeks for you feel a difference.	Maximum effect may not be reached for several weeks and symptom changes may be gradual
How long does it work?	Up to one day	Up to 24 hours
How does it work?	Strattera works differently from the other medicines used for the treatment of ADHD. Even though it works differently, it helps increase attention and decrease impulsiveness and hyperactivity. It is the only drug for ADHD that works all day and all night while you are taking it.	It is approved to treat ADHD symptoms in children aged 6-12 who are not achieving a level of acceptable symptom control by using stimulant medication. It can be used either as an add-on medication or by itself. It may be useful when coexisting tic disorders, anxiety, ODD or aggression are present, or when stimulants are ineffective or causing intolerable side effects.
What are the most common side effects?	Upset stomach, decreased appetite, nausea or vomiting, dizziness, tiredness, constipation, low blood pressure.	Sleepiness, sleep, lowering pulse and blood pressure may occur especially when started, increased or stopped. It cannot be stopped suddenly and should be tapered off.
What do I need to tell my doctor before I take this medication?	<p><u>Tell your doctor if your child has one or more of the following:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heart disease, heart defects or high blood pressure • Family history of sudden death or death related to heart problems • Participates in hard exercise • Takes other ADHD drugs • Have abnormal thoughts or visions, hears abnormal sounds or voices or has bipolar or depression • Has feelings of sadness, worthless or hopelessness • Family history of suicide, depression or bipolar • Have tics or Tourette's syndrome • History of seizures or have had an abnormal brain wave test (EEG) • Hardened arteries or problems with your blood vessels • Have glaucoma • Thyroid problems • Taken or have taken medications from a group called monoamine oxidase inhibitors (MAOI) within the last 14 days • History of drug or alcohol abuse <p>Tell your doctor if your child develops any of the above conditions or symptoms while taking their medication.</p> <p>Call your doctor right away if you/ your child have any signs of heart problems such as chest pain, shortness of breath, or fainting while taking their medication.</p> <p>Call your doctor right away if you/your child has any new or worsening mental symptoms or problems while on the medication <i>especially seeing or hearing things that are not real, believing things that are not real, or are suspicious.</i></p> <p>Tell your doctor if the patient who is taking the medication is pregnant or plans to become pregnant; is breastfeeding or plans to breastfeed.</p>	Inform your doctor if heart rate and blood pressure lowering drugs, alcohol, sedatives, hypnotics, benzodiazepines, barbiturates, or antipsychotics medications are being taken. Also if CYP3A4/5 inhibitors (e.g. ketoconazole), CYP3A4 inducers, valproic acid, or QT prolonging drugs are being used.

What other things should I know?	Strattera rarely causes liver damage. Call your doctor if you have Dark urine, yellow skin or eyes, upper right-sided tenderness in your belly, itching or flu-like symptoms	Inform you doctor immediately if any suicidal thoughts or attempts occur
Link to Health Canada approved consumer information	http://webprod.hc-sc.gc.ca/dpd-bdpp/index-eng.jsp Enter the brand name of your medication in the box called Product Name. For example type in Biphentin. Click on search. Click on the first DIN in column 2. Click on Product Monograph, and then go to Information for the consumer section near the end of the document. OR, ask your pharmacist for the Health Canada approved "Part III" Consumer Information. DO NOT ACCEPT PHARMACY GENERATED CONSUMER INFORMATION AS IT MAY NOT BE ACCURATE AND / OR UP TO DATE. Ask for the Health Canada approved version.	