



Patient Instructions After ECP (Extracorporeal Photopheresis)

UVADEX® (Methoxsalen) is present in your body for up to 24 hours after ECP. During this time you should protect your skin and eyes to prevent increased risk of cataract development in eyes or sunburn-like burns to skin:

- Continue to wear your PUVA glasses or sunglasses for 24 hours after ECP is completed
- You do not have to wear the glasses when you are asleep, in the shower, or if you have corneal implants in both eyes
- You do not have to wear the glasses after sunset, while watching TV, or while using a computer *if artificial lighting is low*
- Avoid sun exposure for 24 hours, protect skin with clothing, and wear sunscreen with SPF 30 or higher on exposed skin (test on a small area first to be sure it doesn't cause irritation)

Call your doctor if you have any of these symptoms:

- Temperature of 100.5 or higher
- Feel unusually tired, weak, dizzy, light-headed, faint, or ill
- Hard time breathing / shortness-of-breath
- New bruises, tiny red dots on skin, bleeding from gums, coughing up blood, or blood in urine or stool
- Any new or unusual symptoms

Peripheral IV site:

- Leave pressure dressing in place for 6 hours after ECP
- Apply pressure/reapply dressing if you are still bleeding when you take dressing off

- If you reapply the stretchy dressing make sure it is not too tight - you should be able to fit a finger under it easily

Central chest catheter:

- Flush lumens and change dressing and caps as directed
- Call your doctor immediately if you notice redness, swelling, pain, drainage (pus), bleeding from site

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