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# Another Seizure-Fr

Adjunctive treatment for partial seizures, with or without secondary

**TOPAMAX Abbreviated Prescribing Information**
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**Presentation:** Tablets each imprinted "TOP" on one side and strength on the other containing 25mg (white), 50mg (light yellow), 100mg (yellow), and 200mg (salmon) topiramate. **Uses:** Adjunctive therapy of partial seizures, with or without secondarily generalised seizures, in patients inadequately controlled on conventional first line antiepileptic drugs. **Dosage and Administration:** *Adults and Elderly:* Oral administration. Usual dose: 200mg - 600mg/day in two divided doses. Maximum recommended dose: 800mg/day. Initiate therapy at 50mg bd then titrate to an effective dose. See data sheet for titration. Do not break tablets. It is not necessary to monitor topiramate plasma concentrations. Patients with renal disease/haemodialysis may require a modified titration schedule. (See data sheet). *Children:* Not recommended **Contra-indications:** Hypersensitivity to any component of the product. **Precautions and Warnings:** Withdraw all antiepileptic drugs gradually. Maintain adequate hydration to reduce risk of nephrolithiasis (especially increased in those with a predisposition). Drowsiness likely. TOPAMAX may be more sedating than other antiepileptic drugs therefore caution in patients driving or operating machinery, particularly until patients' experience with the drug is established. Do not use in pregnancy unless potential benefit outweighs risk to foetus. Women of child bearing potential should use adequate contraception. Do not use if breastfeeding. **Interactions:** *Other Antiepileptic Drugs:* No clinically significant effect except in some patients on phenytoin where phenytoin plasma concentrations may increase. Phenytoin level monitoring is advised. *Effects of other antiepileptic drugs:* Phenytoin and carbamazepine decrease topiramate plasma concentration. No clinically significant changes in plasma concentrations on sodium valproate addition or withdrawal.

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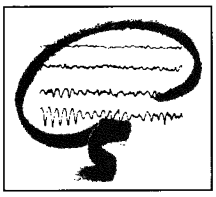

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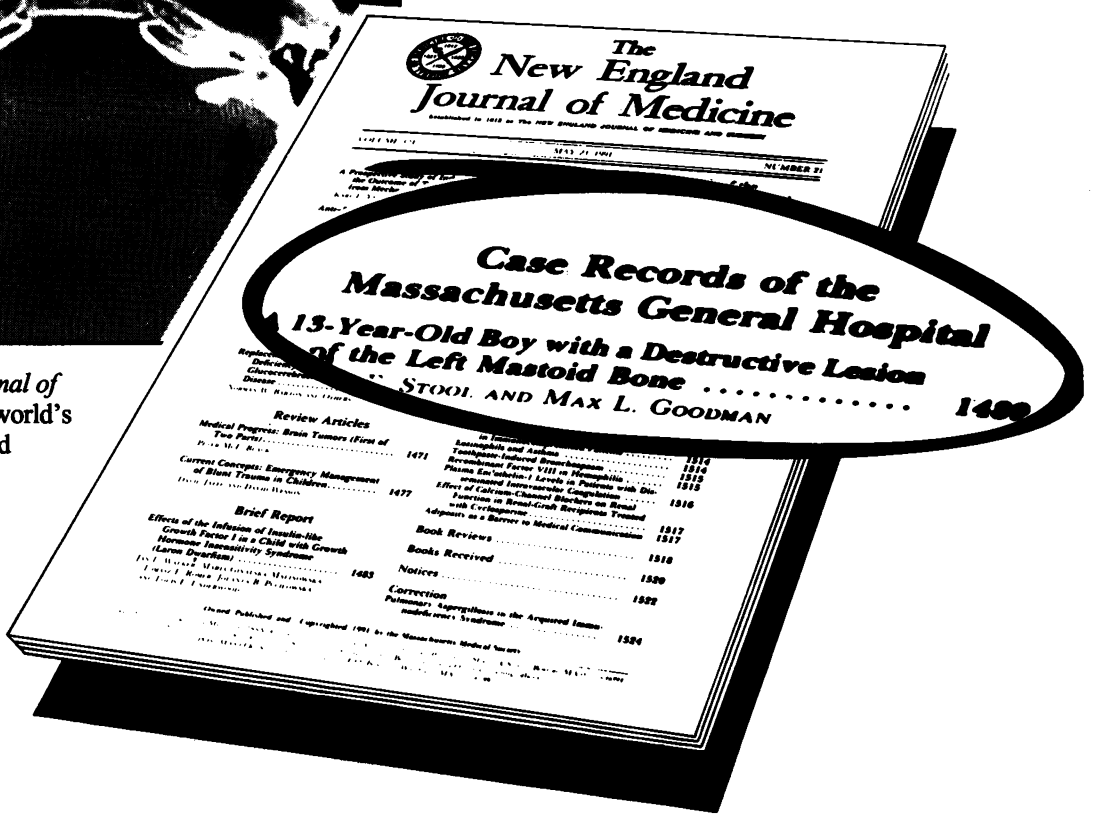


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