Fluoxymesterone (flo oks i MES te rone)
Patient Education

US Brand Names: Androxy™
Therapeutic Category: Hormone therapy

What is this medicine used for?
- Used in the treatment of hormone responsive breast cancer.

How does it work?
- This medicine blocks hormone production in your body. Blocking hormones that stimulate the growth of breast cancer cells reduces the risk of cancer cells growing.

What should my doctor or nurse know before I take this medication?
- If you are allergic to any medicines.
- If you are taking other over the counter or prescription medicines, including vitamins and herbal remedies.
- If you have diabetes.

How is this drug given?
- This medicine is taken by mouth.

What are the general precautions when taking this medicine?
- Talk with your doctor or nurse before taking aspirin, aspirin-containing products, over the counter or prescription medications including vitamins and herbal remedies.

What are the common side effects of this medicine?
- Loss of period (amenorrhea). This is not an effective form of birth control.
- Breast soreness.
- Nausea.
- Headache.
- Acne.
- Fluid retention (edema).
- Liver function abnormalities.
- Deepening of voice, increased facial &/or body and hair, decrease in breast size and enlarged clitoris.
- Increased sex drive (libido).
Danger signals to report immediately to your doctor or nurse:

- New bone pain.
- Nausea, constipation, or increase in thirst and urination.

How should I store this medicine?
Keep all medicine out of reach of children and pets.
Consult your pharmacist for instructions on storage and disposal of this medication.

What do I do if I miss a dose?
If you miss one or two doses, simply resume the medication at the next dose. If you miss more than two doses, contact your doctor or nurse.