

ADVERSE REACTIONS

Hypoglycemia: See PRECAUTIONS.

Gastrointestinal Reactions: Gastrointestinal disturbances such as anorexia, nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea are the most common adverse reactions (manufacturer to supply frequency) and are dose related. These symptoms must be distinguished from the prodromata of lactic acidosis. See WARNINGS section for discussion of lactic acidosis. They may also cause dehydration and prerenal azotemia, which require discontinuation of the drug until renal function is again normal. Phenformin should be discontinued if vomiting occurs. An unpleasant metallic taste is a warning signal of impending gastrointestinal disturbances.

Dermatologic Reactions: (Manufacturer to supply data, including estimate of incidence.)

Miscellaneous Reactions: Fatigue and weakness. Anorexia, nausea, and vomiting may occur in association with the intake of alcohol.