



YEZTUGO[®] (lenacapavir)

How does YEZTUGO work?

This information is provided in response to your question. It is not treatment advice on how to use **YEZTUGO**. Please discuss this question and others you have about your medical condition or treatment with your healthcare provider.

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The short answer¹

- YEZTUGO is a prescription **medicine used for HIV-1 PreP to reduce the chance of getting HIV-1** from sex in adults and teenagers who weigh at least 77 pounds (35 kg).
- **YEZTUGO makes it hard for HIV-1 to replicate or copy itself.** It does this by disrupting 3 different steps in the life cycle of HIV-1:
 - It helps stop HIV-1 from entering the nucleus of your cells.
 - It interrupts the building and sending of HIV-1 out of cells.
 - It disrupts the formation of the capsid of HIV-1.

Who is YEZTUGO for?¹

YEZTUGO is a prescription medicine used for HIV-1 PrEP to reduce the chance of getting HIV-1 from sex in adults and teenagers who weigh at least 77 pounds (35 kg). HIV-1 is the virus that causes Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).



You must be HIV-negative to start YEZTUGO. You must get tested to make sure that you do not already have HIV-1.



Talk to a healthcare provider about your chance of getting HIV and if YEZTUGO is right for you. If you do not have a healthcare provider, the PrEP Locator website (<https://www.PrEPLocator.org>) can help you find a healthcare provider in your area who has experience prescribing PrEP medications.

What is YEZTUGO?¹

YEZTUGO is a prescription medicine used to reduce the chance of getting HIV-1.

The active ingredient in YEZTUGO is called a **capsid inhibitor**.

- A **capsid** is a shell that covers and protects HIV-1. It is needed for HIV-1 to replicate or make copies of itself.
- **Inhibitor** means that it interferes with the capsid doing its job.

How does YEZTUGO work to reduce the chance of getting HIV-1?¹

YEZTUGO binds to the capsid of the virus. This makes it hard for HIV-1 to make copies of itself. YEZTUGO interferes with replication by disrupting 3 different steps in the life cycle of HIV-1:



1. It **helps stop HIV-1 from entering the nucleus of your cells**. The nucleus is where HIV-1 DNA combines with your cell's DNA during replication.
2. It **interrupts the building and sending of HIV-1 out of cells**. It does this by decreasing production of the parts needed to build the capsid.
3. It **disrupts the formation of the capsid of HIV-1**. This affects the structure of the capsid.

Glossary

AIDS (Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome): most advanced stage of HIV.

Capsid: a shell that covers and protects HIV-1. It is needed for HIV-1 to replicate (make copies of itself).

Capsid inhibitor: a class of medicines that interferes with HIV capsid.

DNA (Deoxyribonucleic acid): a type of genetic information inside a cell.

HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus): HIV is a virus that attacks the body's immune system. If HIV is not treated, it can lead to AIDS (acquired immunodeficiency syndrome).

Nucleus: the part of a cell where its genetic information is kept.

Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP): means routinely taking prescription medicine before you're exposed to HIV to help reduce your chances of getting it.

Replication or replicate: means making a copy.

Reference

1. Enclosed, Gilead Sciences Inc. YEZTUGO® (lenacapavir) tablets, for oral use. YEZTUGO® (lenacapavir) injection, for subcutaneous use. U.S. Prescribing Information. Foster City, CA.

More information about YEZTUGO

If you would like more detailed information about YEZTUGO, please visit:
www.gilead.com/-/media/files/pdfs/medicines/hiv/yeztugo/yeztugo_pi.pdf

This is the US FDA-approved Prescribing Information, including the Patient Labeling, for YEZTUGO. It will tell you about the uses, warnings, and other important safety information about YEZTUGO.

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