New medicine:
Budesonide/Formoterol

Brand names:
Symbicort®

Use:
- Opens the airways in lung diseases where spasm may cause breathing problems, like COPD and asthma.

Potential side effects:
- Upset stomach or throwing up
- Headache
- Mouth, throat or sinus irritation
- Weak bones
- Nose stuffiness
- Cataracts and glaucoma

All medicines have the potential to produce effects other than the intended use of the medicine. The chance of experiencing a side effect depends on the medicine, how it is used, what other medicines a person is taking, and individual traits such as age, weight, and other diseases. Some people have no side effects, some mild, some severe.

If you experience any of these side effects, tell your doctor or nurse right away.

Please speak up at any time if you have any questions or concerns.