

Risperidone



Lowers dopamine activity and helps with hearing or seeing things that others don't; intrusive and distressing thoughts; strongly believing things you usually don't; and feeling agitated and very excited with high energy

A bit better after 1-2 weeks, full effects at 4-6 weeks

Common side-effects are stiff muscles, shaky hands, feeling restless, constipation, feeling tired, increased appetite, weight gain, dizziness and increased prolactin

Physical health tests to check your heart, weight, BMI and blood tests to check sugar, fats and hormones

Talk to your doctor if you want to stop it

Available as tablets or an injection

Take tablets at night and keep taking for 1-3 years