

Manchester Royal Eye Hospital General Ophthalmology Services

# **Myasthenia Gravis**

# **Information for Patients**

If you have been diagnosed with myasthenia gravis you should be careful to avoid taking the following medications:

# Antibiotics

- o Colistin
- o Kanamycin
- o Streptomycin
- Tetracycline
- Telithromycin (Ketek ® N.B. fatalities reported)

# Cardiovascular

- o Quinine
- o Quinidine
- Procainamide
- Propranolol

# Anti-convulsant

o Phenytoin

#### **Bulk laxatives**

• Reduce absorption of pyridostigmine

# Hormones

- o Corticosteroids
- o Thyroxine

# Psychotropic

- o Lithium
- o Promazine
- o Penicillamine





Anti-rheumatic

- o Penicillamine
- o Chloroquine

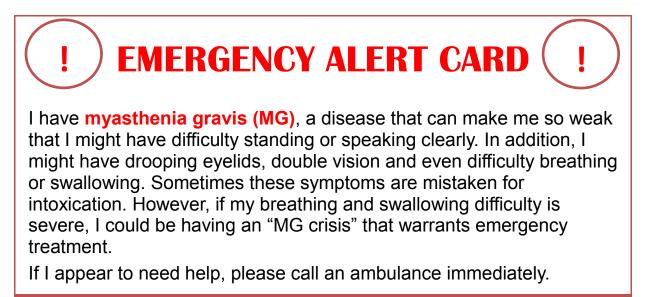
# Anaesthetics

- o Muscle relaxants
- Lignocaine (systemic)

# Other

o Magnesium

You should show this to your doctor, dentist, nurse, pharmacist or anyone else who wants to give you medicines for any reason.



You can also find further information about myasthenia gravis on these websites:

http://www.mga-charity.org/

http://www.myasthenia.org/whatismg/faqs.aspx

