

## **[Drug Injury Watch: When Someone Using Benicar Is Diagnosed With Celiac Disease They May Have, Instead, Developed Drug Induced Sprue-Like Enteropathy Or Intestinal Malabsorption](#)**

**This Severe Diarrhea Side Effect Is Caused By Olmesartan, Which Is Also Found In Azor, Tribenzor, And Benicar HCT Blood Pressure Medications**

(Posted by Tom Lamb at [www.DrugInjuryWatch.com](http://www.DrugInjuryWatch.com) on July 14, 2014)

**SUMMARY:** In June 2014, on the Family Practice News Digital Network, we found this news report, “Olmesartan can cause celiac disease mimicker”.

It points out that many of the patients who developed this Benicar side effect and were hospitalized are given the discharge diagnosis of intestinal malabsorption instead of sprue-like enteropathy. Both of these medical conditions, however, are notable for chronic and severe diarrhea with substantial weight loss.

Our firm continues to hear from patients who have been diagnosed with sprue-like enteropathy or intestinal malabsorption while using Benicar, Azor, Tribenzor, or Benicar HCT.

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- [June 2014 Benicar FDA Drug Safety Communication: Did It Decrease Or Increase Public Concern About The Risk Of Cardiovascular Death](#)
- [Benicar \(Olmesartan\) Associated With Sprue-Like Enteropathy, Which Is A Chronic / Severe Diarrhea Condition That Can Be Misdiagnosed As Celiac Disease](#)
- [Benicar-Induced Enteropathy: Recently Found / New Possible Cause Of Villous Atrophy: Symptoms And Diagnosis](#)
- [Blood Pressure Drug Benicar Causes Serious Intestinal Side Effects Such As Chronic And Severe Diarrhea Months Or Years After Starting Drug](#)
- [Benicar Cardiovascular-Related Deaths: FDA Safety Review Which Started In June 2010 Is Still Ongoing In August 2013](#)

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