IXIME SUSPENSION

Cefixime (100mg in every 5ml)

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What Ixime Suspension is used for

Ixime Suspension is used to treat the following bacterial infections: uncomplicated infections of the bladder or urinary tract; middle ear infections (otitis media); and throat infections (pharyngitis) or swollen tonsils (tonsillitis). It is also prescribed for chest infections like sudden bronchitis or flare-ups of long-term lung irritation, a severe type of food- and water-borne illness called typhoid fever (even strains that resist other medications), and gonorrhea, which is a specific type of sexually transmitted infection affecting the cervix or urethra.

How Ixime Suspension works

Ixime Suspension contains cefixime as active ingredient. Cefixime belongs to cephalosporin antibiotic group, which used to treat bacterial infections. It works by killing bacteria and preventing their growth.

Before you use Ixime Suspension

- *When you must not use it*

  Do not take this medicine if:
  - you are allergic to cefixime, similar antibiotics or any other ingredients of this medicine (listed in Product Description)

- *Before you start to use it*

  Check with your doctor or pharmacist before taking Ixime Suspension, if you:
  - have kidney disease or are undergoing any form of dialysis (such as CAPD or hemodialysis)
  - have a history of digestive tract problems, especially a severe bowel inflammation condition known as colitis.

- *Taking other medicines*

  Tell your doctor if you are taking any other medicines, including any that you buy without a prescription from a pharmacy, supermarket or health food shop.

Inform your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking:

- Carbamazepine (an epilepsy/seizure and nerve pain medication)
- Warfarin and Anticoagulants (blood thinners)
- Probenecid (a gout medication)
- Nifedipine (a high blood pressure and chest pain medication)

How to use Ixime Suspension

Follow all directions given to you by your doctor and pharmacist carefully. They may differ from the information contained in this leaflet. If you do not understand the instructions on the label, ask your doctor or pharmacist for help.

- *How much to use*

  How to mix the liquid medicine:

  1. Tap the bottle a few times to loosen up the powder inside.
  2. Use boiled water that has been allowed to cool down. Pour it into the bottle until it reaches halfway to the ring line marked on the bottle, then shake it vigorously.
  3. Add more cooled, boiled water until it perfectly reaches the ring line, and shake it well again to make sure the liquid is completely mixed and smooth.

  Dosing for children
  - This medicine is not suitable for children under 6-month-old.
  - For general infections, your child's doctor will decide on the dose based on their body weight.
  - To take once a day, or split into two equal doses given 12 hours apart.
  - If your child weighs more than 50 kg or is older than 12 years, they should take the standard adult dose instead.
  - Child with kidney problem: The dose will be adjusted based on the kidney functions.

- *When to use it*

  Take once or twice daily or as directed by your doctor or pharmacist.

- *How long to use it*

  Take this medicine for the duration that your doctor recommends.

For Strep throat/Tonsillitis: If the infection is caused by Streptococcus pyogenes, the treatment must continue for at least 10 days to ensure the bacteria is completely gone.

For typhoid fever: If treating drug-resistant typhoid fever, the dose is higher, split into two doses a day for 7 days.

- *If you forget to use it*

  Take the missed dose as soon as you remember. If it is almost time for your next dose, wait until then to take the medicine and skip the missed dose. Do not take a double dose to make up for the missed dose.

- *If you use too much (overdose)*

  Contact your doctor immediately or go to the Emergency Department of your nearest hospital, if you or anyone else

may have use too much of this medicine. Do this even if there are no signs of discomfort or poisoning. You may need urgent medical attention.

While you are using Iximе Suspension

- *Things you must do*

Use your medicine exactly as your doctor has told you.

Tell all the doctors, dentists and pharmacists treating you that you are using Iximе Suspension.

Tell your doctor immediately if you become pregnant while using this medication.

Take Iximе Suspension only with a doctor's prescription

- *Things you must not do*

Do not stop using the medicine unless advised by your doctor.

Do not use any new medicines without consulting your doctor or pharmacist.

Do not give Iximе Suspension to anyone else, even if they have the same symptoms or condition as you.

- *Things to be careful of*

If you experience any signs of an allergic reaction (like a rash, hives, or trouble breathing) while taking this medicine, you must stop taking it immediately and seek emergency medical care.

Using this medicine for a long time can sometimes allow other harmful, drug-resistant germs or fungi to grow in your body. Your doctor will monitor you closely during long treatments to ensure no new infections develop.

This medicine can cause incorrect "false positive" results on specific medical tests. Tell your doctor or lab technician that you are taking this medicine if you will undergo:

- Certain urine tests for sugar (glucose), unless an enzyme-based test is used.
- Certain blood tests (like a direct Coombs test), which could impact blood typing or transfusion matching.
- Certain urine tests for ketones.

Driving and using machines

This medicine may affect your ability to drive or use machines. If this medicine makes you feel dizzy or gives you a headache do not drive or use machines and contact your doctor immediately. Be careful driving or operating machinery until you know how Iximе Suspension affects you.

Side effects

Like all medicines, Iximе Suspension can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

Possible side effects are:

- Digestion system: Diarrhea, stool changes, nausea, abdominal pain, indigestion (dyspepsia), vomiting, excess gas (flatulence), and severe bowel inflammation (pseudomembranous colitis).
- Brain and nerves: Headache, dizziness, and fits or seizures (especially if someone has kidney problems and the dose is not lowered).
- Hypersensitivity reactions: Skin rash, itching (pruritus), hives (urticaria), medicine-induced fever, joint pain (arthralgia), and very rare, severe skin peeling/blistering conditions (Erythema multiforme, Stevens-Johnson Syndrome, and Toxic Epidermal Necrolysis).
- Blood disorder: Low platelet count (thrombocytopenia), low white blood cell count (leukopenia), and an increase in a specific type of immune cell (eosinophilia).
- Liver disorder: Temporary increases in liver enzymes (transaminases, alkaline phosphatase) and yellowing of the skin or eyes (jaundice).
- Kidney**:** kidney function changes (transient)
- Others: Itching in the private areas (genital pruritus) and vaginal irritation or infection (vaginitis).

Visit your doctor or pharmacist immediately if you experience any side effects after using this medicine.

You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to the National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by visiting the website npra.gov.my [Consumers → Reporting Side Effects to Medicines (ConSERF) or Vaccines (AEFI)].

Storage and Disposal of Iximе Suspension

- *Storage*

Once mixed, you can store the liquid at room temperature or in the refrigerator. It stays good for 14 days. Keep the bottle tightly closed, shake it well before every use, and throw away any leftover medicine after 14 days. Keep out of the reach and sight of children. Store dry powder at 20-25°C.

- *Disposal*

Medicines should not be disposed of via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to dispose of medicines no longer required. These measures will help to protect the environment.

Product Description

- *What it looks like*

Off white to pale yellow colored powder forming off-white to yellow suspension with characteristic fruity odour on constitution.

- *Ingredients*
  - Active ingredient
    - Cefixime
  - Inactive ingredients
    - Xanthan Gum
    - Sodium Benzoate
    - Sucrose
    - Strawberry Flavor (052311 AP0551)
    - Colloidal Silicon Dioxide (Aerosil 200)
- *MAL number):*
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