

Aziswift Tablets

Azithromycin 250mg
Azithromycin 500mg

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1. What Aziswift Tablet is used for

Azithromycin tablets can be applied in situations where micro-organisms sensitive to azithromycin have caused:

- chest, throat or nasal infections (such as bronchitis, pneumonia, tonsillitis, sore throat (pharyngitis) and sinusitis)
- ear infections
- skin and soft tissue infections
- infection of the tube that carries urine from the bladder (urethra) or the neck of the womb (cervix) caused by Chlamydia trachomatis (bacteria).

2. How Aziswift Tablet works

Azithromycin is an antibiotic. It belongs to a group of antibiotics called 'macrolides'

3. Before you use Aziswift Tablets

When you must not use it

- if you are allergic (hypersensitive) to azithromycin dihydrate, erythromycin or any of the other ingredients in this medicine (listed in section 8)

-if you are allergic (hypersensitive) to any macrolide or ketolide antibiotic. Do not take this medicine if any of the above applies to you. If you are not sure, talk to your doctor or pharmacist before taking Aziswift Tablets.

Before you start to use it

Follow all instructions given to you by your doctor carefully, even if they differ from the information contained in this leaflet.

Taking other medicines

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking or have recently taken or might take any other medicines.

Antacids
used for heartburn and indigestion. Aziswift Tablets should be taken at least 1 hour before or 2 hours after the antacid

Fluconazole
used to treat fungal infections

Zidovudine or nelfinavir used to treat HIV infections.

Rifabutin
used to treat tuberculosis (TB)

Terfenadine
used to treat hay fever

Cimetidine
used in the treatment of heartburn and peptic ulcers

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking any of the following medicines. Aziswift Tablets can make the effects of these other medicines stronger. Your doctor may change your dose:

Ergotamine
derivatives used for migraine

Digoxin
used to treat heart problems

Warfarin or similar
medicines used to thin the blood.

Cyclosporin
used to stop your body rejecting an organ transplant.

Theophylline
used for breathing problems such as asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).

Trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole
used to treat infections

Atorvastatin
used for the treatment of high cholesterol

Carbamazepine
used to treat epileptic seizures and nerve pain

Cetirizine
used in the treatment of hay fever, allergies, angioedema, and urticarial

Didanosins
used to treat HIV

Efavirenz, Indinavir
used along with other medications to treat HIV

Methylprednisolone
used to treat conditions such as allergies, arthritis, lupus and ulcerative colitis

Sildenafil
used to treat erectile

dysfunction Triazolam,

Midazolam (sedatives)

4. How to use Aziswift Tablets

How much to use

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Adults and young people with a body weight of 45 kg and above:

The usual total dose is 1500 mg.

This can be taken in two ways.

Your doctor will tell you which way to take it:

- Over three days: one 500 mg tablet each day.

or

- Over five days: one 500 mg tablet on day 1 and then one 250 mg tablet on days 2, 3, 4 and 5. The dose is different if you have inflammation of the tube that carries urine from your bladder

(urethra) or where your womb joins your vagina (cervix).

Your doctor will ask you to take a single dose of 1000 mg.

Children and adolescents under 45 kg:

The tablets are not recommended.

Young people with a body weight of less than 45 kg should use other forms of this medicine such as azithromycin suspension.

Patients with kidney or liver problems

You should tell your doctor if you have kidney or liver problems as your doctor may need to alter the normal dose.

When to use it

Always take this medicine exactly as your doctor has told you.

Check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure.

Taking this medicine

- Swallow the tablets whole with a glass of water.
- Do not crush or chew the tablets.
- The 500 mg tablet can be divided into equal halves.

How long to use it

Your doctor or pharmacist will advise you on how long you should continue to take your tablets. You will need to see your

doctor from time to time to review your treatment and assess your symptoms.

If you forget to use it

- If you forget a dose, take it as soon as you remember it.
- However, if it is nearly time for the next dose, skip the missed dose.
- Do not take a double dose to make up for a forgotten dose.
- If you have to skip a dose, still take all of your tablets. This means that you will finish your course a day later.

If you use too much (overdose)

If you take more Aziswift Tablets than you should, talk to a doctor or go to a hospital straight away.

Take the medicine pack with you.

5. While you are using Aziswift Tablets

Things you must do

Follow all instructions given to you by your doctor carefully, even if they differ from the information contained in this leaflet.

Things you must not do

Azithromycin is not recommended if you are pregnant or planning to become pregnant. Azithromycin should only be used during pregnancy when clearly necessary.

You should not breast-feed whilst you are taking Azithromycin, because a risk to the suckling infant cannot be excluded.

Ask your doctor for advice before taking any medicine.

If your medicine makes you feel dizzy or you have other side effects that reduce your ability to concentrate, do not drive or operate machinery.

Things to be careful of

Talk to your doctor or pharmacist before taking Aziswift Tablets if:

- you have liver problems: your doctor may need to monitor your liver function or stop the treatment.
- you have severe kidney problems.
- you have severe heart problems or problems with your heart beat such as long QT syndrome (shown on an electro- cardiogram or ECG machine)
- your blood levels of potassium or magnesium are too low
- you develop signs of another infection
- you have nervous (neurological) or mental health (psychiatric) problems.

6. Side Effects

Like all medicines, this medicine can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

Stop taking Aziswift Tablets and see a doctor straight away if you notice any of the following serious side effects:

- Blood disorder
- Hearing loss
- Diarrhoea, nausea, indigestion, abdominal pain, heartburn, bloating, constipation
- Loss of appetite
- Headache, dizziness, insomnia
- Changes in your sense of taste
- Skin rashes, itchiness, oedema
- Joint pain
- Jaundice, hepatitis
- Irregular heartbeat
- Fatigue and feeling weak

If any of the side effects gets serious, or if you get any side effects talk to your doctor or pharmacist.

This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet.

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Your doctor may then decide to reduce your dose or stop treatment.

Aziswift Tablets may cause severe allergy and serious skin reactions.

Stop using Aziswift Tablets and seek medical assistance immediately if you experience any of the following symptoms:

- skin reddening, blisters, rash, fever, sore throat or eye irritation

If you notice that the child vomits and/or irritability with feeding occurs, contact doctor immediately as it may be due to the Infantile Hypertrophic Pyloric Stenosis (IHPS).

You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to the National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by visiting the website portal.bpfk.gov.my

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7. Storage and Disposal of Aziswift Tablets

- Store below 30°C. Keep this medicine out of the sight and reach of children.
- This medicinal product does not require any special storage conditions.

Do not use this medicine after the expiry date which is stated on the packaging after EXP. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month.

Do not throw away any medicines via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to throw away medicines you no longer use. These measures will help to protect the environment.

8. Product Description

What it looks like

Aziswift 250mg Tablets White to off-white, capsule shaped, film-coated tablets debossed with 'AZ' and '250' on one side and plain on other side of the tablet.

Aziswift 500 mg Tablets White to off-white, capsule shaped, film-coated tablets, debossed with 'AZ' and '500' on either side of scoreline on one side and plain on other side of the tablets.

Ingredients

Inactive ingredient: Azithromycin dihydrate

Other ingredients:

Calcium Hydrogen Phosphate Anhydrous Ph. Eur., Croscarmellose Sodium Ph. Eur., Starch Pregelatinised Ph. Eur., Hypromellose Ph. Eur., Sodium Lauryl Sulfate Ph. Eur., Magnesium Stearate Ph. Eur., Opadry white, Purified Water Ph Eur.

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9. Manufacturer and Product Registration Holder

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