

PHARMANIAGA CEPHALEXIN CAPSULE

Cephalexin (250mg, 500mg)

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What Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule is used for

It is used to treat septicaemia (blood poisoning due to bacterial infection), bone and joint infections, including burn wound infections and urinary tract infections caused by bacterial infection. They are not effective in treating infection on nervous system.

Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule also as possible alternative for penicillin treatment to treat pneumonia (lung infection) and bacterial endocarditis (heart infection) caused by staphylococcal bacteria.

How Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule works

Cephalexin is a first generation cephalosporin antibiotic. It possesses bactericidal effect similar to the penicillins, which acts by inhibiting synthesis of the bacterial cell wall.

Before you use Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule

-When you must not use it

Do not take Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule if you are allergic to Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule or any other cephalosporin antibiotics or any of its ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.

If you are not sure whether you should start taking this medicine, talk to your doctor or pharmacist.

-Before you start to use it

Tell your doctor if you have allergies to cephalosporins, penicillins or any other antibiotics. You may have an increased chance of being allergic to Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule if you are allergic to any of these medicines.

- About 10% of penicillin sensitive individual will also be allergic to cephalosporins and, therefore great care should be taken if Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule is given to individuals known to be hypersensitive to penicillin. Care is also necessary in patients with known histories of allergy.
- Reduced dosage is recommended in individuals with severe renal impairment.

Pregnancy and lactation

Discuss with your doctor or pharmacist first if are pregnant or breastfeeding because Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule crosses the placenta and small quantities are found in the milk of nursing mothers.

-Taking other medicines

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

How to use Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule

-How much to use

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.

Adults:

1 to 2 g daily given in divided doses at 6, 8 or 12 hourly intervals.

Infants and children:

25 to 100 mg per kg body-weight daily in divided doses to a maximum of 4 g daily.

Common dosage regimen is:

Children age,
5 to 12 years – 250 mg three times daily.

1 to 5 years – 125 mg three times daily.

Under 1 year – 62.5 mg to 125 mg twice daily.

-When to use it

Use as directed by your doctor or pharmacist.

-How long to use it

Continue taking Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule for as long as your doctor recommends.

-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 think you or anyone else may have taken too much of this medicine. Do this even if there are no signs of discomfort or poisoning. You may need urgent medical attention.

Signs and symptoms of oral overdose may include nausea, vomiting, epigastric distress, diarrhea and presence blood in the urine.

While you are using it

-Things you must do

Take your medicine exactly as your doctor or pharmacist has told you.

- Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you have allergies to cephalosporins, penicillins or any other antibiotics.

- Tell your doctor or pharmacist what other prescription and non-prescription medicines that you are taking.
- Tell your doctor if you have or have had kidney or liver problems, ulcer or stomach problems.
- Tell your doctor if are pregnant, planning to get pregnant or breastfeeding. If you are pregnant when taking Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule, contact your doctor.
- If you are about to have any blood or urine tests, tell your doctor that you are taking this medicine. Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule may affect the results of some of these tests.

-Things you must not do

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

Do not take any new medicines without consulting your doctor.

Do not give Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule to anyone else even if they have the same symptoms or condition as you.

-Things to be careful of

If allergic reaction occurs, stop using it and inform your doctor or pharmacist.

Side Effects

Like all medicines, Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

Side effect of Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule includes nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal discomfort, allergic reactions such as skin rashes, swelling of the face or lips or other part of the body, muscle pain or tenderness or joint pain or rash, itching or hives on the skin or shortness of breath, wheezing or difficulty breathing.

Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule may cause severe allergy and serious skin reactions. Stop using Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule and seek medical assistance immediately if you

experience any of the following symptoms:

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

You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to the National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by visiting the website npa.moh.gov.my (Public Reporting Side Effects to medicines (ConSERF)/ Vaccine (AEFI)).

Storage and Disposal of Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule

-Storage

Store below 30°C. Protect from light.

Keep out of reach and sight of children.

Do not take Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule after the expiry date stated on the label.

-Disposal

Medicines should not be disposed 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

Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule 250mg:

White granules in pink / pink hard gelatin capsulesize '2' with Pharmaniaga icon and '250' markings.

Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule 500mg:

Clean, dry, white / pink hard gelatin capsule size '0' with Pharmaniaga icon and '500' markings

-Ingredients

Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule 250mg:

-Active ingredient(s) :

Each capsule contains Cephalexin equivalent to 250 mg of Cephalexin anhydrous.

-Inactive ingredients :

Cornstarch, Magnesium Stearate

Pharmaniaga Cephalexin Capsule 500mg:

-Active ingredient(s) :

Each capsule contains Cephalexin equivalent to 500 mg of Cephalexin anhydrous

-Inactive ingredients :

Cornstarch, Magnesium Stearate

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