

AXCEL CEPHALEXIN CAPSULE

Cephalexin Monohydrate (250mg, 500mg)

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What Axcil Cephalexin Capsule is used for

Axcil Cephalexin Capsule is to treat infections caused by susceptible bacteria. It can be used to treat:

- Respiratory tract infections.
- Ear, nose and throat infections.
- Urinary tract infections.
- Prevention of recurrent urinary tract infection.
- Gynaecological and obstetric infections.
- Gonorrhoea (venereal disease).
- Skin, soft-tissue and bone infections.
- Dental infections.
- Prophylaxis treatment for individuals with heart disease undergoing dental treatment as an alternative to penicillin.

How Axcil Cephalexin Capsule works

Cephalexin is an antibiotic that belongs to the group of medicines called cephalosporin. These medicines work by killing or stopping the growth of the bacteria, which cause infections.

Before you use Axcil Cephalexin Capsule

-When you must not use it

Do not take Axcil Cephalexin Capsule if:

- You are allergic or hypersensitive to cephalosporin.
- It is not prescribed by a qualified doctor or pharmacist for you.

- You are pregnant, trying to get pregnant or think you may be pregnant.
- You are breast-feeding. Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking any medicine.

-Before you start use it

Tell your doctor if:

- You are allergic to any medicines, food and dyes.
- You are taking any other medicines (including those not prescribed by your doctor).
- You are allergic or hypersensitive to Penicillin.
- You are having kidney impairment.

-Taking other medicines

You should tell your doctor if you are taking the following medicine as it may interact with your Axcil Cephalexin Capsule:

- Oestrogen containing oral contraceptives (birth control pill).
- Probenecid (medicines used to treat chronic gout and gouty arthritis).
- Nephrotoxic drug such as aminoglycoside antibiotic-gentamicin (antibiotics that are used to treat certain bacterial infections).
- Frusemide (decreasing the reabsorption of sodium by the kidneys).

It may still be all right for you to take Axcil Cephalexin Capsule and your doctor will be able to decide what is suitable for you.

How to use Axcil Cephalexin Capsule

-How much to use

For oral administration only.

Adult:

Many infections in adults will respond to oral dosage of 1g to 2g per day in divided doses; however, for most infections, the following simple scheme will be found satisfactory.

Adult and children over 12 years:
500mg 3 times daily.

To aid compliance, especially in ambulatory patients, the daily dosage may be given in 2 equal doses, e.g. 1g twice daily in adults with urinary tract infections.

For severe or deep seated infections, especially when less sensitive organisms are involved, the dosage should be increased to 1g 3 times daily or 1.5g four times daily.

Children:

Normal recommended dose for children: 25-60mg/kg/day. For chronic, severe or deep seated infections, this should be increased to 100mg/kg/day (maximum 4g/day).

It is recommended to take Axcil Cephalexin -125 Suspension for dosage below 250mg.

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.

-When to use it

Your doctor will decide when it is appropriate for you to use Axcil Cephalexin Capsule according to the type of condition you have.

-How long to use it

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

-If you forget to use it

Consult your doctor or pharmacist on what you should do 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)

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body can be removed by haemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis.

It is advisable for you to contact and inform your doctor if you did take Axcel Cephalexin Capsule too much.

While you are using it

-Things you must do

- Take your medicine exactly as your doctor has told you.
- Tell all the doctors, dentists and pharmacists treating you that you are taking Axcel Cephalexin Capsule.
- Tell your doctor immediately if you become pregnant while talking this medication.

-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 Axcel Cephalexin Capsule to anyone else, even if they have the same symptoms or condition as you.

-Things to be careful of

- Avoid prolonged use with high dosage.
- Pregnancy and nursing baby.

Side effects

Like all medicines, Axcel Cephalexin Capsule can cause side effects although not everybody gets them. You are advised to consult doctor/pharmacist for further information. The following side effects have been reported:

- Gastro-intestinal disturbances.
- Hypersensitivity including skin rashes, hives, increase of the white blood cell count, fever, reaction resembling serum sickness and anaphylaxis (severe allergic reaction that needs to be treated right away).

Axcel Cephalexin-250 Capsule may cause severe allergy and serious skin reactions.

Stop using Axcel Cephalexin-250 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 npra.moh.gov.my [Consumers -> Reporting Side Effects to Medicines (ConSERF) or Vaccines (AEFI)].

Storage and disposal of Axcel Cephalexin Capsule

-Storage

Keep Axcel Cephalexin Capsule out of reach of children.

Store below 30°C. Keep container well closed and protect from light.

-Disposal

Do not use Axcel Cephalexin Capsule after the expiry date which is stated on the carton.

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

Axcel Cephalexin-250 Capsule is pink/ruby red hard gelatine capsule in size 2.

Axcel Cephalexin-500 Capsule is pink/purple hard gelatin capsule in size 0.

-Ingredients

- Active Ingredient:
Cephalexin Monohydrate.

- Inactive Ingredients:
Lactose, Talcum Powder, Sodium Lauryl Sulphate, Magnesium Sterate.

-MAL Number

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Axcel Cephalexin-500 Capsule
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