

CEFUROXIME AXETIL-ZHIJUN TABLET

Cefuroxime Axetil (250mg)

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What Cefuroxime Axetil-Zhijun is used for

Cefuroxime Axetil-Zhijun is used for the treatment of infections caused by sensitive bacteria. It is used to treat infections of the throat, Sinus, Middle ear, the lungs or chest, the urinary tract, the skin and soft tissues, and venereal disease.

How Cefuroxime Axetil-Zhijun works

Cefuroxime Axetil- Zhijun belongs to a group of medicines called cephalosporin antibiotics.

The active ingredient in Cefuroxime Axetil- Zhijun (cefuroxime axetil) works by killing bacteria (germs) that cause infections.

Before you use Cefuroxime Axetil-Zhijun

- When you must not use it

Do not take Cefuroxime Axetil-Zhijun:

- If you have ever had an allergic reaction to cefuroxime axetil cephalosporin or any of the ingredients listed toward the end of this leaflet. Some of the symptoms of allergic reaction may include skin rash, itchiness, shortness of breath, swelling of the face, lips or tongue.
- If you have had a serious allergic reaction to penicillins or other antibiotics. There may be an increased risk of you being allergic to Cefuroxime Axetil-Zhijun if you are allergic to penicillins.

- Before you start to use it

You must tell your doctor if:

- You have any type of allergic reaction to penicillin or other β -lactams.
- Please consult your doctor before start to use Cefuroxime Axetil-Zhijun if you are pregnant, plan to become pregnant, breast-feeding or intend to breast-feed. Your doctor will have weighed the risks of you taking Cefuroxime Axetil-Zhijun against the benefits they expect it will have for you.

- Taking other medicines

Please tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking or have recently taken any other medicines. This is because Cefuroxime Axetil can affect the way some other medicines work. Also some other medicines can affect the way Cefuroxime Axetil works such as:

- Probenecid, a medicine for gout
- Oral contraceptives

Your doctor or pharmacist may have more information on medicines to be careful with or to avoid while taking medication.

How to use Cefuroxime Axetil-Zhijun

- How much to use

Take your complete course of tablets as your doctor has prescribed. Do not stop just because you feel better, as the medicine may not have killed all the germs and you may start feeling unwell again.

Dosage in adults:

Most infections: 250mg twice a day.

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.

Dosage in children:

Usual dose: 125mg twice a day or 10mg/kg twice a day with a maximum of 250mg daily.

- When to use it

Cefuroxime Axetil Tablet should be taken after food for optimum absorption.

- How long to use it

The usual course of therapy is seven days.

- If you forget to use it

If you forget to take a dose, take another as soon as possible, unless it is nearly time for the next dose. Do not take double dose to make up for the missed one.

- If you use too much (overdose)

If you take too much cefuroxime axetil tablets, signs might include fits (convulsions). Talk to your doctor as soon as possible. Take the medicine to show the doctor.

While you are using it

- Things you must do

- Tell your doctor if your infections or symptoms don't improve or they become worse.
- Tell your doctor if you become pregnant or you are breastfeeding.
- Tell your doctor what medications you are taking. Cefuroxime axetil may interfere with the results of some blood tests.
- If you get severe diarrhoea tell your doctor, pharmacist or nurse immediately. Do this even if it occurs several weeks after cefuroxime axetil tablets has stopped. Diarrhoea may mean that you have a serious condition affecting the bowel. They may need urgent medical care. Do not take any diarrhoea medicine without first checking with your doctor.
- If you get a white mouth or tongue while taking or soon after stopping cefuroxime axetil tablets, tell your doctor. Also tell your doctor if you get vaginal itching or discharge. This may mean you have a fungal infection called thrush. Sometimes the use of cefuroxime axetil tablets allows fungi to grow and the above symptoms to occur.

- Things you must not do

Do not give this medicine to anyone else, even if their symptoms seem similar to you.

- Things to be careful of

- Do not stop your therapy because you are feeling better, unless advised by your doctor. If you do not complete the full course prescribed by your doctor, all of the bacteria causing your infection may not be killed. These bacteria may continue to grow and multiply so that your infection may not clear completely or it may return.
- Do not use Cefuroxime Axetil-Zhijun to treat any other complaints unless your doctor tells you to.
- Cefuroxime Axetil-Zhijun can make you dizzy and have other side effects that make you less alert. Don't drive or use machines unless you're feeling well.

Side effects

Like all medicines Cefuroxime Axetil-Zhijun can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them. The common side effects include:

- *Candida* (a type of fungus) overgrowth
- Eosinophilia (an increase in white blood cells)
- Headache
- Dizziness
- Gastrointestinal disturbances (such as stomach pain, heartburn, diarrhea, constipation, nausea)
- Temporary increase of liver enzyme levels.
- Hypersensitivity reactions
- Very rare and severe skin and subcutaneous tissue disorder such as Erythema multiforme, Stevens-Johnson syndrome, toxic epidermal necrolysis.

Cefuroxime Axetil-Zhijun may cause severe allergy and serious skin reactions.

Stop using Cefuroxime Axetil-Zhijun and seek medical assistance immediately if you experience any of the following symptoms:

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

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you notice anything else that is making you feel unwell. Other side effects not listed above may also occur in some people.

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 Cefuroxime Axetil-Zhijun

- Storage

Store below 30°C.

Keep out of the reach and sight of children.

- 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

Cefuroxime Axetil-Zhijun are white, capsule-shaped, film-coated tablets engraved with 'DLX' on one side and plain on the other side.

- Ingredients

- Active ingredient

The active substance in each tablet is 250mg cefuroxime as cefuroxime axetil.

- Inactive ingredients

The other ingredients are microcrystalline cellulose, croscarmellose sodium, sodium lauryl sulfate, magnesium stearate and colloidal anhydrous silica. film coating premix (Opadry 00H280001-CN), purified water

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