

AUROCEF CAPSULES

Cefalexin (250 mg, 500 mg)

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What Aurocef is used for

Aurocef Capsules are used to treat following infections caused by bacteria that can be killed by Aurocef:

- Respiratory tract infections (lung and airways)
- Middle ear infections (otitis media)
- Skin and soft tissue infections
- Bone and joint infections
- Infections of the reproductive organs and urinary tract, including inflammation of the prostate gland (prostatitis)
- Dental infections.

How Aurocef works

Aurocef Capsules contain cefalexin as the active ingredient, which belongs to a class of antibiotics called cephalosporins.

Before you use Aurocef

- When you must not use it

Do not take Aurocef Capsules if you:

- are allergic (hypersensitivity) to cefalexin, other cephalosporins (similar antibiotics) or penicillin group of antibiotics, or to any of the ingredients in the product.

- Before you start use it

If you have been told by your doctor that you have intolerance to some sugars, contact your doctor before taking this medicinal product

Pregnancy and lactation

You should tell your doctor if you are pregnant or planning to become pregnant or breast-feeding. Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking any medicine if you are pregnant or planning to become pregnant.

- Taking other medicines

Please tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking or have recently taken any other medicines, including those obtained without a prescription.

In particular, tell your doctor if you are taking any of the following:

- probenecid for a treatment of gout
- metformin for treatment of diabetes
- medicines used to treat leukemia

How to use Aurocef

- How much to use

Your doctor will tell you how much and how often you should take. This will depend on the type of infection. The dose varies from among individuals.

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

Adult and children over 12 years:
500mg every 8 hours.

- When to use it

Use as directed by your doctor or pharmacist.

- How long to use it

Continue taking Aurocef 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 a forgotten 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 is no signs of discomfort or poisoning. You may need urgent medical attention.

Symptoms of overdose include nausea, vomiting, stomach pain, appearance of blood in the urine.

While you are using it

- Things you must do

Tell all the doctors, dentists and pharmacists treating you that you are taking Aurocef.

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

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

- Things to be careful of

Take special care with Aurocef Capsules if you:

- Have had allergic reaction to Aurocef, cephalosporins, penicillins or other medicines in the past
- Have a severe kidney disorder (you may need reduced dose)

- Develop diarrhoea. This could be symptom of the inflammation of the large intestine.
- Other symptoms include pain and fever.

Tell your doctor if you are having blood and urine tests. Aurocef Capsules may interfere with these tests.

Side effects

Like all medicines, Aurocef can cause side effects although not everybody gets them. Tell your doctor immediately if you experience any of the following symptoms after taking this medicine as the symptoms can be severe.

- diarrhoea.
- hypersensitivity: allergic reactions have been observed in the form of rash, red wheals on the skin (urticaria), swelling, and, rarely, skin reddening, painful skin blistering.
- damage to your liver or kidneys which can be detected by a blood and/ or urine test
- feeling confused or agitated, seeing or hearing things that are not there (hallucinations), extreme restlessness
- dizziness, tiredness, headache.
- itching around the anus or genitals, inflamed vagina, discharge from the vagina caused by thrush (candidiasis)
- joint stiffness, joint pain and swelling, and joint disorder
- blood and immune system: increased or decreased number of certain types of white blood cells, low platelet count, and abnormal breakdown of red blood cells have been reported.

You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to the National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by calling Tel: 03-78835549, or visiting the website npra.moh.gov.my (Public → Reporting Side Effects to Medicines (ConSERF) or Vaccines (AEFI)).

Storage and Disposal of Aurocef

- Storage
Keep out of the reach and sight of children.
Do not store above 30C.
Store it in a dry place.

- 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

Aurocef 250 mg:

Dark blue opaque/ white size “2” hard gelatin capsule filled with off white granular powder and imprinted with “A75” on dark blue opaque Cap and “250 mg” on white body with black ink.

Aurocef 500 mg:

Dark blue opaque/ light blue opaque size “0” hard gelatin capsule filled with off white granular powder and imprinted with “A76” on dark blue opaque Cap and “500 mg” on light blue opaque body with black ink.

- Ingredients

- Active ingredient
Aurocef equivalent to Cephalexin anhydrous 250mg or 500mg
- Inactive ingredients
Cellulose, Microcrystalline, Croscarmellose Sodium, Magnesium Stearate

- MAL number(s):

Aurocef 250 mg:
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