

N-BAC CREAM

Neomycin sulphate (0.50% w/w)

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What N-bac is used for

It is used for the treatment of skin infections likely due to microorganisms e.g. staphylococci and those sensitive to antibiotic neomycin.

How N-bac works

Neomycin is an antibiotic, which is active against many types of Gram -ve bacteria, although not against some bacteria like *Pseudomonas* sp., and it is also active against many types of bacteria *Staphylococcus aureus*.

Before you use N-bac

- When you must not use it

If allergic to neomycin sulphate or other ingredients of N-bac.

- Before you start to use it

The local application of neomycin on skin with extensive damage or rupture of the eardrum may result in deafness. Prolonged local use should be avoided as it may lead to skin sensitivity. Resistance of neomycin may also result in resistance in other antibiotics like kanamycin, framycetin and gentamicin has been reported.

- Taking other medicines

The medicine is for local application and will usually have minimal effect on other medication. However, please inform the doctor or pharmacist if taking other medicines.

How to use N-bac

- How much to use

Apply sparingly to affected skin 2 – 3 times daily.

- When to use it

Always use N-bac exactly as your doctor has instructed you. You should check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are unsure.

- How long to use it

You should check with your doctor or pharmacist.

- If you forget to use it

Apply as soon as you remember.

- If you use too much (overdose)

If use too much N-bac, contact your doctor, an emergency department or a poison center immediately. Ear and kidney damage may occur if neomycin is absorbed in large amounts. Treatment: Discontinue use immediately and flush with clean water.

While you are using N-bac

- Things you must do

Inform doctor of medications you are taking.

- Things you must not do

Never give this medicine to someone else, it could harm them, even if their symptoms seem the same.

- Things to be careful of

If you are pregnant or become pregnant or breast-feeding during treatment, you should not use N-bac unless your doctor tells you to. Your doctor will consider about the potential benefits and risks of your therapy to you and your child.

Side effects

Cross sensitivity with other aminoglycoside antibiotics may occur. Application of neomycin sulphate may give rise to hypersensitivity reactions (redness, swelling, itching or other signs of irritation) not present before treatment. Hypersensitivity reactions, usually of delayed type, occur frequently during local treatment with neomycin, but may be masked by the combined use of a steroid.

You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to the National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by calling Tel: 03-78835550, or visiting the website npra.moh.gov.my (Public → Reporting Medicinal Problems / Side Effects / AEFI / Vaccine Safety).

Storage and disposal of N-bac

- Storage

Store in cool, dry place below 30°C. Protect from light. Keep out of reach of children.

- Disposal

Ask your pharmacist how to dispose of medicines no longer required.

Product description

- What it looks like

White colour cream.

- Ingredients

- Active ingredient: neomycin sulphate
- Inactive ingredients: cetomacrogol emulsifying wax, white soft paraffin, liquid paraffin, chlorocresol, sodium citrate, citric acid and deionised water.

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Manufacturer and Product Registration holder

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