Roxibac Plus

Cefuroxime and Clavulanic Acid

Composition:

Roxibac Plus[™] **250 Tablet**: Each film coated tablet contains Cefuroxime 250 mg as Cefuroxime Axetil USP and Clavulanic Acid 62.5 mg as diluted Potassium Clavulanate BP.

Roxibac Plus[™] **500 Tablet:** Each film coated tablet contains Cefuroxime 500 mg as Cefuroxime Axetil USP and Clavulanic Acid 125 mg as diluted Potassium Clavulanate BP.

Pharmacology:

Cefuroxime is one of the bactericidal second generation cephalosporin antibiotics, which is active against a wide range of Gram-positive and Gram-negative susceptible organisms including many beta-lactamase producing strains. It is indicated for the treatment of infections caused by sensitive bacteria. Clavulanic acid has a similar structure to the beta-lactam antibiotics but binds irreversibly to the beta-lactamase enzymes. The presence of clavulanic acid in Roxibac Plus formulations protects Cefuroxime from degradation by betalactamase enzymes and effectively extends the antibacterial spectrum of Cefuroxime to include many bacteria normally resistant to Cefuroxime and other cephalosporins.

Indication:

- · Pharyngitis/tonsillitis: caused by Streptococcus pyogenes
- Acute bacterial otitis media: caused by Streptococcus pneumoniae, Haemophilus influenzae (including beta lactamaseproducing strains), Moraxella Catarrhalis (including betalactamase-producing strains) or Streptococcus pyogenes
- Acute bacterial maxillary sinusitis: caused by Streptococcus pneumoniae or Haemophilus influenzae (non-beta-lactamaseproducing strains only)
- Lower respiratory tract infections including pneumoniae: caused by Streptococcus pneumoniae, Haemophilus influenzae (including beta lactamase-producing strains), Klebsiella spp., Staphylococcus aureus (penicillinase- and non-penicillinaseproducing strains), Streptococcus pyogenes, Escherichia coli
- Acute bacterial exacerbations of chronic bronchitis and secondary bacterial infections of acute bronchitis caused by Streptococcus penumoniae, Haemophilus influenzae (betalactamase negative strains) or Haemophilus parainfluenzae (beta-lactamase negative strains)
- Skin and Skin-Structure Infections: caused by Staphylococcus aureus (penicillinase and non-penicillinase-producing strains), Streptococcus pyogenes, Escherichia coli, Klebsiella spp. and Enterobacter spp.
- Urinary tract infections: caused by Escherichia coli or Klebsiella pneumoniae
- Bone and Joint Infections: caused by Staphylococcus aureus (penicillinase and non-penicillinase producing strains)
- Gonorrhea: Uncomplicated and disseminated gonococcal infections due to Neisseria gonorrhoeae (penicillinase- and non-penicillinase-producing strains) in both males and females
- Early Lyme disease (erythema migrans): caused by Borrelia burgdorferi
- Septicemia: caused by Staphylococcus aureus (penicillinase and non-penicillinase producing strains), Streptococcus pneumoniae, Escherichia coli, Haemophilus influenzae (including ampicillin-resistant strains), and Klebsiella spp
- Meningitis: caused by Streptococcus pneumoniae, Haemophilus influenzae (including ampicillin resistant strains), Neisseria meningitidis and Staphylococcus aureus (penicillinase and non-penicillinase producing strains)
- Switch therapy (injectable to oral) after surgery when patient's condition is improved.

Dosage & administration:

Adolescents & adults:

- Pharyngitis or Tonsillitis: 250 mg twice daily (5-10 days)
- Acute bacterial maxillary sinusitis: 250 mg twice daily (10 days)
- Acute bacterial exacerbation of chronic bronchitis: 250-500 mg twice daily (10 days)
- Secondary bacterial infections of acute bronchitis: 250-500 mg twice daily (5-10 days)

- Community acquired pneumonia: 250-500 mg twice daily (5-10 days)
- Uncomplicated skin & skin-structure infections: 250-500 mg twice daily (10 days)
- MDR Typhoid fever: 500 mg twice daily (10-14 days)
- Uncomplicated urinary tract infection: 250 mg twice daily (7-10 days)
- Uncomplicated gonorrhea: 1000 mg single dose
- Lyme disease: 500 mg twice daily (20 days)

Pediatric patients (3 months to 12 years)

- Pharyngitis or Tonsillitis: 20 mg/kg/day in two divided doses (5-10 days)
- Acute otitis media: 30 mg/kg/day in two divided doses (10 days)
- Acute bacterial maxillary sinusitis: 30 mg/kg/day in two divided doses (10 days)
- Community acquired pneumonia: 30 mg/kg/day in two divided doses (5-10 days)
- MDR Typhoid fever: 30 mg/kg/day in two divided doses (10-14 days)
- Uncomplicated skin & skin-structure infections: 30 mg/kg/day in two divided doses (10 days)
- Uncomplicated urinary tract infection: 20 mg/kg/day in two divided doses (7-10 days)

Roxibac Plus may be administered without regard to meals.

OR AS DIRECTED BY THE PHYSICIAN

Use in specific population:

During pregnancy: While all antibiotics should be avoided in the first trimester if possible. However, Roxibac Plus can be safely used in later pregnancy to treat urinary and other infections.

During lactation: Roxibac Plus is excreted into the breast milk in small quantities. However, the possibility of sensitizing the infant should be kept in mind.

Contra-indications:

Patients with known allergy to cephalosporins & pseudomembranous colitis are contraindicated.

Side effects:

Generally Cefuroxime and Clavulanic acid are well tolerated. However, a few side effects like nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal discomfort or pain may occur. As with other broadspectrum antibiotics, prolonged administration of Cefuroxime and Clavulanic acid combination may result in overgrowth of nonsusceptible microorganisms. Rarely (<0.2%) renal dysfunction, anaphylaxis, angioedema, pruritis, rash and serum sickness like urticaria may appear.

Drug interactions:

Concomitant administration of probenecid with Roxibac Plus increases the area under the serum concentration versus time curve by 50%. Drug that reduces gastric acidity may result in a lower bioavailability of Cefuroxime and tend to cancel the effect of postprandial absorption.

Overdose:

Signs and symptoms: Overdosage of Roxibac Plus can cause cerebral irritation leading to convulsions. Management: Serum levels of Roxibac Plus can be reduced by haemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis.

Storage:

Keep out of the reach of children. Store in a cool and dry place below 30°C, protect from light.

Packing:

Roxibac Plus {}_{\text{TM}} 250 Tablet: Each box contains 12 tablets in Alu-Alu blister packs.

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