Clindamycin

Essential medicine status ✓

General description

Clindamycin is a lincosamide antibiotic with activity against gram-positive cocci and many anaerobes.

INN	Clindamycin
ATC codes	J01FF01
Medicine type	Chemical agent
Antibiotic groups	A ACCESS
EML status history	First added in 1991 (TRS 825) for Bacterial infection of unspecified site Added in 2017 (TRS 1006) for Osteomyelitis or osteitis Added in 2017 (TRS 1006) for Bacterial infection of joint Removed in 2017 (TRS 1006) for Bacterial infection of unspecified site Added in 2021 (TRS 1035) for Necrotising fasciitis
Wikipedia	Clindamycin
DrugBank	Clindamycin

Recommendations

Section Access group antibiotics

Parenteral > General injections > IV: 150 mg per mL (as phosphate); 600 mg per 4 mL (as phosphate); 900 mg per 6 mL (as phosphate)

Oral > Liquid: 75 mg per 5 mL powder for oral liquid (as palmitate hydrochloride)

Oral > Solid: 150 mg (as hydrochloride)

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Oral > Solid: 150 mg (as hydrochloride) capsule

Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 150 mg per mL (as phosphate) injection

Indications

First choice

co-prescribed with piperacillin + tazobactam

- Necrotising fasciitis

Second choice

- Bacterial infection of joint
- Osteomyelitis or osteitis

Other indications

Bacterial infection of unspecified site