General description

Codeine is an opioid analgesic for the treatment of mild to moderate pain. It also has antitussive and antidiarrhoeal activity.

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Recommendations

**Section** Opioid analgesics

Oral > Solid: 30 mg tablet (codeine phosphate)

**Indications**

- Pain

**Section** Medicines for diarrhoea

Oral > Solid: 30 mg tablet (codeine phosphate)

**Indications**

- Diarrhoea
**Section**

**Antitussives**

Oral > Solid: 10 mg tablet (codeine phosphate)

**Indications**

- Cough