Cefuroxime is a third-generation cephalosporin used as a second choice treatment for surgical prophylaxis.

**Recommendations**

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**Indications**

Second choice

- Other specified prophylactic measures

**INN**

Cefuroxime

**ATC codes**

J01DC02

**Medicine type**

Chemical agent

**Antibiotic groups**

WATCH

**EML status history**

First added in 2019 (TRS 1021) for Other specified prophylactic measures