Cefuroxime

Essential medicine status

General description

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

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
Wikipedia	Cefuroxime
DrugBank	Cefuroxime

Recommendations

Section Watch group antibiotics

Parenteral > General injections > IV: 250 mg in vial (as sodium salt) powder for injection; 750 mg in vial (as sodium salt) powder for injection; 1.5 g in vial (as sodium salt) powder for injection

Indications

Second choice

Other specified prophylactic measures