

SUMMARY OF PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS

1. NAME OF THE MEDICINAL PRODUCT

Amoxicillin Capsules BP250mg (MEDOMOX -250)

2. QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE

Each Hard gelatin Capsules contains:

Amoxicillin Trihydrate BP Equivalent to Amoxicillin 250mg

For the full list of excipients, see section 6.1.

3. PHARMACEUTICAL FORM:

Size 2, maroon cap and yellow body opaque printed linearly 'AMOXY' on one part and '250' on another part with black ink and filled with white granular powder.

4. CLINICAL PARTICULARS

4.1 Therapeutic indications:

Amoxicillin capsules are indicated for the treatment of the following infections in adults and children:

- Acute bacterial sinusitis
- Acute Otitis media
- Acute streptococcal tonsillitis and pharyngitis
- Acute exacerbations of chronic bronchitis
- Community acquired pneumonia
- Acute cystitis, Asymptomatic Bacteriuria in pregnancy
- Acute pyelonephritis
- Typhoid and paratyphoid fever Dental abscess with spreading cellulitis
- Prosthetic joint infections
- Helicobacter pylori eradication
- Lyme disease
- Amoxicillin is also indicated for the prophylaxis of endocarditis

4.2 Posology and method of administration

The dose of Amoxicillin that is selected to treat an individual infection should take into account:

- The expected pathogens and their likely susceptibility to antibacterial agents
- The severity and the site of the infection
- The age, weight and renal function of the patient; as shown below

The duration of therapy should be determined by the type of infection and the response of the patient, and should generally be as short as possible. Some infections require longer periods of treatment

Adults and children ≥40kg

Indication*	Dose*
Acute bacterial sinusitis	250 mg to 500 mg every 8 hours or 750 mg to 1 g every 12 hours For severe infections 750 mg to 1 g every 8 hours Acute cystitis may be treated with 3g twice daily for one day
Asymptomatic bacteriuria in pregnancy	
Acute pyelonephritis	
Dental abscess with spreading cellulitis	
Acute cystitis	
Acute otitis media	500 mg every 8 hours, 750 mg to 1 g every 12 hours For severe infections 750 mg to 1 g every 8 hours for 10 days
Acute streptococcal tonsillitis and pharyngitis	
Acute exacerbations of chronic bronchitis	
Community acquired pneumonia	500 mg to 1 g every 8 hours
Typhoid and paratyphoid fever	500 mg to 2 g every 8 hours
Prosthetic joint infections	500 mg to 1 g every 8 hours
Prophylaxis of endocarditis	2 g orally, single dose 30 to 60 minutes before procedure
Helicobacter pylori eradication	750 mg to 1 g twice daily in combination with proton pump inhibitor (e.g. omeprazole, lansoprazole) and another antibiotic (e.g. clarithromycin, metronidazole) for 7 days
Lyme disease	Early stage: 500 mg to 1 g every 8 hours up to a maximum of 4g/day in divided doses for 14 days (10 to 21 days) Late stage (systemic involvement): 500 mg to 1 g every 8 hours up to a maximum of 6 g/day in divided doses for 10 to 30 days
*Consideration should be given to the official treatment guidelines for each indication	

Children <40kg

Children weighing 40 kg or more should be prescribed the adult dosage.

Recommended doses:

Indication ⁺	Dose ⁺
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Acute bacterial sinusitis	20 to 90 mg/kg/day in divided doses*
Acute otitis media	
Community acquired pneumonia	
Acute cystitis	
Acute pyelonephritis	
Dental abscess with spreading cellulitis	
Acute streptococcal tonsillitis and pharyngitis	40 to 90 mg/kg/day in divided doses*
Typhoid and paratyphoid fever	100 mg/kg/day in three divided doses
Prophylaxis of endocarditis	50 mg/kg orally, single dose 30 to 60 minutes before procedure
Lyme disease	Early stage: 25 to 50 mg/kg/day in three divided doses for 10 to 21 days Late stage (systemic involvement): 50 mg/kg/day in three divided doses for 10 to 14 days
+Consideration should be given to the official treatment guidelines for each indication.	
*Twice daily dosing regimens should only be considered when the dose is in the upper range.	

Elderly

No dose adjustment is considered necessary.

Renal impairment

GFR (ml/min)	Adults and children ≥ 40 kg	Children < 40 kg [#]
greater than 30	no adjustment necessary	no adjustment necessary
10 to 30	maximum 500 mg twice daily	15 mg/kg given twice daily (maximum 500 mg)
less than 10	maximum 500 mg/day.	15 mg/kg given as a single daily dose (maximum 500 mg)
[#] In the majority of cases, parenteral therapy is preferred.		

In patients receiving haemodialysis

Amoxicillin may be removed from the circulation by haemodialysis.

	Haemodialysis
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Adults and children over 40 kg	500 mg every 24h Prior to haemodialysis one additional dose of 500mg should be administered. In order to restore circulating drug levels, another dose of 500 should be administered after haemodialysis.
Children under 40kg	15 mg/kg/day given as a single daily dose (maximum 500 mg). Prior to haemodialysis one additional dose of 15mg/kg should be administered. In order to restore circulating drug levels, another dose of 15 mg/kg should be administered after haemodialysis.

In patients receiving peritoneal dialysis Amoxicillin maximum 500mg/day.

Hepatic impairment

- Dose with caution and monitor hepatic function at regular intervals
- Method of administration

Oral:

- Amoxicillin is for oral use.
- Absorption of Amoxicillin is unimpaired by food.
- Swallow with water without opening capsule.

4.3 Contra-indications

Hypersensitivity to the active substance, to any of the penicillins or to any of the excipients

History of a severe immediate hypersensitivity reaction (e.g. anaphylaxis) to another beta-lactam agent (e.g. a cephalosporin, carbapenem or monobactam)

4.4 Interaction with other medicaments and other forms of interaction Probenecid:

Concomitant use of probenecid is not recommended. Probenecid decreases the renal tubular secretion of amoxicillin. Concomitant use of probenecid may result in increased and prolonged blood levels of amoxicillin.

Allopurinol:

Concurrent administration of allopurinol during treatment with amoxicillin can increase the likelihood of allergic skin reactions.

Tetracyclines:

Tetracyclines and other bacteriostatic drugs may interfere with the bactericidal effect of amoxicillin.

Oral anticoagulants:

Oral anticoagulants and penicillin antibiotics have been widely used in practice without reports of interaction. However, in the literature there are cases of increased international normalised ratio in patients maintained on acenocoumarol or warfarin and prescribed a course of amoxicillin. If co-administration is necessary, the prothrombin time or international normalised ratio should be carefully monitored with the addition or withdrawal of amoxicillin. Moreover, adjustments in the dose of oral anticoagulants may be necessary

Methotrexate

Penicillins may reduce the excretion of methotrexate causing a potential increase in toxicity.

4.5 Pregnancy, Lactation and Fertility:

Pregnancy

Animal studies do not indicate direct or indirect harmful effects with respect to reproductive toxicity. Limited data on the use of amoxicillin during pregnancy in humans do not indicate an increased risk of congenital malformations. Amoxicillin may be used in pregnancy when the potential benefits outweigh the potential risks associated with treatment.

Lactation:

Amoxicillin is excreted into breast milk in small quantities with the possible risk of sensitisation. Consequently, diarrhoea and fungus infection of the mucous membranes are possible in the breast-fed infant, so that breast-feeding might have to be discontinued. Amoxicillin should only be used during breast-feeding after benefit/risk assessment by the physician in charge.

Fertility:

There are no data on the effects of amoxicillin on fertility in humans. Reproductive studies in animals have shown no effects on fertility.

4.6 Effects on ability to drive and use machines

No studies on the effects on the ability to drive and use machines have been performed. However, undesirable effects may occur (e.g. allergic reactions, dizziness, convulsions), which may influence the ability to drive and use machines.

4.7 Undesirable effects

- The most commonly reported adverse drug reactions (ADRs) are diarrhoea, nausea and skin rash.

- The ADRs derived from clinical studies and post-marketing surveillance with amoxicillin, presented by MedDRA System Organ Class are listed below.

The following terminologies have been used in order to classify the occurrence of undesirable effects.

- Very common ($\geq 1/10$)
- Common ($\geq 1/100$ to $< 1/10$)
- Uncommon ($\geq 1/1,000$ to $< 1/100$)
- Rare ($\geq 1/10,000$ to $< 1/1,000$)
- Very rare ($< 1/10,000$)
- Not known (cannot be estimated from the available data)

General

The most commonly reported adverse drug reactions (ADRs) are diarrhoea, nausea and skin rash.

Infections and infestations

Very rare : Muco-cutaneous candidiasis

Blood and lymphatic system disorders

Very rare: Reversible leucopenia (including severe neutropenia or granulocytosis), reversible thrombocytopenia and haemolytic anaemia. Prolonged prothrombin and bleeding times

Nervous system

Very rare: Hyperkinesia, dizziness and convulsions. Convulsions may occur in patients with impaired renal function or those receiving high doses.

Gastrointestinal

Common: Diarrhoea and nausea. Uncommon: Vomiting.

Very rare : Antibiotic associated colitis (including pseudomembranous colitis and hemorrhagic colitis)

Black hairy tongue

Immune system disorders

Very rare: Angioneurotic oedema, anaphylaxis, Serum sickness and hypersensitivity vasculitis.

Not known: Jarisch-Herxheimer reaction

Hepato-biliary disorders

Very rare: Hepatitis and cholestatic jaundice. A moderate rise in AST and/or ALT.

Skin and subcutaneous tissue disorders **Common:** Skin rash

Uncommon: Vomiting.

Very rare: Skin reactions such as erythema multiforme, Stevens-Johnson syndrome, toxic epidermal necrolysis, bullous and exfoliative dermatitis, acute generalised exanthematous pustulosis (AGEP) and drug reaction with eosinophilia and systemic symptoms (DRESS).

Renal and urinary tract disorders

Very rare: Interstitial nephritis & Crystalluria

4.8 Overdose

Symptoms and signs of overdose:

Gastrointestinal symptoms (such as nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea) and disturbance of the fluid and electrolyte balances may be evident. Amoxicillin crystalluria, in some cases leading to renal failure, has been observed. Convulsions may occur in patients with impaired renal function or in those receiving high doses.

Treatment of intoxication:

Gastrointestinal symptoms may be treated symptomatically, with attention to the water/electrolyte balance.

Amoxicillin may be removed from the circulation by haemodialysis.

5. PHARMACOLOGICAL PROPERTIES

5.1 Pharmacodynamic properties

Pharmacotherapeutic classification: Penicillins with extended spectrum;

ATC code: J01CA04

- Amoxicillin is a semisynthetic penicillin (beta-lactam antibiotic) that inhibits one or more enzymes (often referred to as penicillin-binding proteins, PBPs) in the biosynthetic pathway of bacterial peptidoglycan, which is an integral structural component of the bacterial cell wall. Inhibition of peptidoglycan synthesis leads to weakening of the cell wall, which is usually followed by cell lysis and death.
- Amoxicillin is susceptible to degradation by beta-lactamases produced by resistant bacteria and therefore the spectrum of activity of amoxicillin alone does not include organisms which produce these enzymes.

5.2 Pharmacokinetic properties

Absorption

- Amoxicillin fully dissociates in aqueous solution at physiological pH. It is rapidly and well absorbed by the oral route of administration. Following oral administration, amoxicillin is approximately 70% bioavailable. The time to peak plasma concentration (T_{max}) is approximately one hour.

- The pharmacokinetic results for a study, in which an amoxicillin dose of 250mg three times daily was administered in the fasting state to groups of healthy volunteers are presented below.

C_{max}	T_{max}^*	$AUC_{(0-24h)}$	$T_{1/2}$
($\mu\text{g/ml}$)	(h)	($\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{h/ml}$)	(h)
3.3 ± 1.12	1.5 (1.0-2.0)	26.7 ± 4.56	1.36 ± 0.56
*Median(range)			

In the range 250 to 3000 mg the bioavailability is linear in proportion to dose (measured as C_{max} and AUC). The absorption is not influenced by simultaneous food intake.

Haemodialysis can be used for elimination of amoxicillin.

Distribution

- About 18% of total plasma amoxicillin is bound to protein and the apparent volume of distribution is around 0.3 to 0.4l/kg.
- Following intravenous administration, amoxicillin has been found in gallbladder, abdominal tissue, skin, fat, muscle tissues, synovial and peritoneal fluids, bile and pus. Amoxicillin does not adequately distribute into the cerebrospinal fluid.
- From animal studies there is no evidence for significant tissue retention of drug-derived material. Amoxicillin, like most penicillins, can be detected in breast milk
- Amoxicillin has been shown to cross the placental barrier.

Metabolism

Amoxicillin is partly excreted in the urine as the inactive penicillin acid in quantities equivalent to up to 10 to 25% of the initial dose.

Elimination

- The major route of elimination for amoxicillin is via the kidney.
- Amoxicillin has a mean elimination half-life of approximately one hour and a mean total clearance of approximately 25 l/hour in healthy subjects. Approximately 60 to 70% of the amoxicillin is excreted unchanged in urine during the first 6 hours after administration of a single 250mg or 500mg dose of amoxicillin. Various studies have found the urinary excretion to be 50-85% for amoxicillin over a 24 hour period.

5.3 Preclinical safety data

- Non-clinical data reveal no special hazard for humans based on studies of safety pharmacology, repeated dose toxicity, genotoxicity and toxicity to

reproduction and development.

- Carcinogenicity studies have not been conducted with amoxicillin.

6. PHARMACEUTICAL PARTICULARS

6.1 List of excipients

Magnesium stearate
Sodium Lauryl Sulphate
Sodium Starch Glycolate
HEG Capsules

6.2 Incompatibilities

Not applicable

6.3 Shelflife

36 months from the date of manufacturing

6.4 Special precautions for storage

Not applicable

6.5 Nature and contents of container

Presentation: MEDOMOX 250 are available as 10x10's, 50 x 10's, 100x10's PVC blister pack.

Primary Container(s):

MEDOMOX 250 are available as blister pack. Each blister of 10x10's, 50 x 10's, 100x10's PVC blister pack contains 10 capsules respectively.

Secondary Container:

Such blister packs are packed in a printed carton. Printed cartons are printed with relevant batch details.

Outer Container:

Such cartons are packed in Export Worthy 5/7 Ply Shippers. These shippers are labeled with product name and relevant batch details and sealed with BOPP tape. Shippers are then strapped with Polypropylene tapes.

6.6 Special precautions for disposal and other handling

No special requirements.

7. MARKETING AUTHORIZATION HOLDER

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