

ALTIPOD SUSPENSION

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Abbreviated Prescribing information for ALTIPOD SUSPENSION (cefpodoxime proxetil 50mg oral suspension) [Please refer the complete prescribing information available at www.torrentpharma.com]

PHARMACOLOGICAL PROPERTIES: Cefpodoxime proxetil is a beta-lactam antibiotic, a 3rd generation oral cephalosporin. It is the prodrug of cefpodoxime.

INDICATION: Cefpodoxime is a bactericidal cephalosporin antibiotic active against a wide range of Gram-negative and Gram-positive organisms. It is indicated for the treatment of the infections (Upper and lower respiratory tract infections, recurrent or chronic infections where organism is known or suspected to be resistant to commonly used antibiotics, Upper and lower urinary tract infections and Skin and soft tissue infections) either before the infecting organism has been identified or when caused by bacteria of established sensitivity.

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: The recommended mean dosage for children is 8mg/kg/day administered in two divided doses at 12 hour intervals. Cefpodoxime should not be used in infants less than 15 days old. It should be taken during meals for optimal absorption.

CONTRAINDICATION: Hypersensitivity to cephalosporin antibiotics.

WARNINGS & PRECAUTIONS: Caution is advised in patients, who are allergic or sensitive to penicillin, allergic to other cephalosporins, previous history of immediate type hypersensitivity to cephalosporins, hypersensitivity reactions (anaphylaxis), severe renal insufficiency, history of gastrointestinal disease, colitis. Not the preferred antibiotic for the treatment of staphylococcal pneumonia and should not be used in the treatment of atypical pneumonia caused by organisms such as Legionella, Mycoplasma and Chlamydia. Treatment lasting longer than 10 days, blood count should be monitored.

DRUG INTERACTION: Histamine H2-antagonists and antacids, coumarins, contraceptives and ranitidine.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: Diarrhoea, antibiotic-associated colitis, including pseudomembranous colitis, nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain and rash, urticarial, itching, headaches, dizziness, tinnitus, paresthesia, asthenia, malaise, hypersensitivity mucocutaneous reactions, skin rashes, bullous reactions such as Stevens-Johnson syndrome, toxic epidermal necrolysis and erythema multiforme, transient moderate elevations of ASAT, ALAT and alkaline phosphatases and/or bilirubin, slight increases in blood urea and creatinine, liver damage, anaphylactic reactions, haematological disorders such as reduction in haemoglobin, thrombocytosis, thrombocytopenia, leucopenia and eosinophilia, haemolytic anaemia, neutropenia and agranulocytosis.

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