SEZOL DS® Secnidazole

Presentation

Yellowish white, caplet shaped, film coated tablets, engraved with SEZOL DS in one side and breakline in other side. Each tablet contains 1000 mg secnidazole INN.

Uses

- Intestinal Amoebiasis
- Hepatic Amoebiasis
- Urethritis and Vaginitis due to Trichomonas vaginalis Giardiasis

Dosage & Administration Amoebiasis

Acute Intestinal Amoebiasis

Adults : 2g once only (2X 1000 mg) preferably taken

just before meal.

Childre: 30 mg/kg once only.

Asymptomatic Amoebiasis (minutes & cystic form)

Adults : Same daily dose as above for 3 days.

Children : Same daily dose as above for 3 days.

Hepatic Amoebiasis

Adults : 1.5 g/day in a single or divided dose just

before meals for 5 days.

Children : 30 mg/kg/day in a single or divided dose, just

before meals for 5 days.

SEZOL DS treatment at the suppurative stage of hepatic amoebiasis.

Note: Evacuation of pus must be performed simultaneously with SEZOL DS treatment at the suppurative stage of hepatic amoebiasis.

Giardiasis

Adults : 2g (2 tablets) once only. Children : 35-50 mg/kg once only.

Trichomoniasis

2g (2 tablets) once only. The consort should receive the same treatment concomitantly.

Contra-Indications, Warning, etc

Use in pregnancy

Secnidazole may be prescribed in pregnancy after the first trimester. As with all drugs, secnidazole should not be administered during the first trimster of pregnancy or during lactation because secnidazole is found in placenta andbreast milk.

Contra-Indications

Known hypersensitivity to imidazole derivatives.

Precautions

Patients should be advised not to take alcohol during treatment with secnidazole (antabuse effect). Administration of secnidazole should be avoided to patients with a history of blood dyscrasia.

Drug Interactions

Administration of secnidazole with disulfiram is not recommended. Confusional state and paranoid reaction may occur. Use of secnidazole simultaneously with warfarin requires close monitoring: increased effect of oral anticoagulants and of the haemorrhagic risk.

Side Effects

The clinical studies have shown that secnidazole is characterised by very good tolerance and to date, no adverse reactions have been reported. The following side-effects may be observed with secnidazole as with all nitroimidazole derivatives and are rarely serious.

Most frequently : Gastrointestinal disturbances, nausea, epigastric pain, metallic

taste, glossitis, stomatitis.

Occasionally : Urticaria, moderate leukopenia which is reversible on treatment

withdrawal.

Rarely: Vertigo, ataxia and motor incoordination, paresthesia,

peripheral neuropathy.

With SEZOL DS Gastrointestinal disorders (nausea, vomiting, epigastric pain) have been reported in very rare cases.

Pharmaceutical Precautions

Store in a cool and dry place

Package Quantities

Blister pack of 1X 2s tablets.

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