

# Clobex®

Capsule/Syrup

## Description

Clobex (Cloxacillin) is a  $\beta$  lactamase resistant antibacterial agent with bactericidal activity against most Gram-positive organisms and Neisseria spp. It is also effective against  $\beta$  lactamase producing Gram-negative organisms when given with Ampicillin.

## Indications

Clobex is indicated for the treatment of infections caused by Gram-positive organisms including infections caused by  $\beta$  lactamase producing Staphylococci such as :

- ◆ Skin and soft tissue infections : Boils, Abscesses, Carbuncles, Furunculosis, Cellulitis, Infected wounds, Infected burns, Otitis media and externa, Protection of skin graft and Skin infections like ulcer, eczema, acne, etc.
- ◆ Respiratory tract infections : Pneumonia, Lung abscess, Empyema, Sinusitis, Pharyngitis and Tonsillitis.
- ◆ Other infections caused by sensitive organisms : Osteomyelitis, Enteritis, Endocarditis, Urinary tract infection, Meningitis and Septicaemia.

## Dosage and Administration

*Adult* : Usual dose is 500 mg 6 hourly daily

*Children (2-10 years)* : 250 mg 6 hourly daily

*Children (up to 2 years)* : 125 mg (i.e. 1 measuring spoonful of Clobex Syrup) 6 hourly daily

Dose may be doubled in severe infection and should be taken at least 30 minutes before food.

**Contraindication**

Clobex should not be given to patients known to be hypersensitive to penicillin.

**Precautions**

Clobex should be given with caution to patients with known history of allergy.

**Side Effects**

Common side effects are skin rash, transient diarrhoea, nausea, heartburn, pruritus and disturbance of blood electrolyte. Rarely anaphylactic shock.

**Commercial Packs**

Clobex<sup>®</sup> Capsule : Box containing 100 capsules in 10 x 10's foil strips, each capsule contains Cloxacillin Sodium BP equivalent to 500 mg Cloxacillin.

Clobex<sup>®</sup> Syrup : Dry powder in glass bottle for reconstitution into 100 ml syrup. After reconstitution each 5 ml contains Cloxacillin Sodium BP equivalent to 125 mg Cloxacillin.