

Fungistin®

(Nystatin Suspension)

Description

Fungistin oral suspension is banana flavoured, ready to use suspension containing 100,000 units of Nystatin BP per ml. It is an antifungal antibiotic which is both fungistatic and fungicidal *in vitro* against a wide variety of yeasts and yeast like fungi.

Indications

It is indicated for the prevention and treatment of candidal infection of the oral cavity, oesophagus and intestinal tract caused by *Candida albicans* (monilia). It provides effective prophylaxis against oral candidiasis in those born of mothers with vaginal candidiasis.

Dosage and Administration

Adults : 1-6 ml four times daily.

For the treatment of denture sores, and oral infections, in adults caused by *C. albicans*, 1-2 ml of the suspension should be dropped into the mouth four times daily, it should be kept in contact with the affected area as long as possible.

Older people with intestinal candidiasis may be given 5 ml of the suspension four times a day.

Children : 1-6 ml four times daily in children
 1-2 ml four times daily infants

In intestinal and oral candidiasis (thrush) in infants and children, 1-2 ml should be dropped into the mouth four times a day. The longer the suspension is kept in contact with the affected area in the mouth before swallowing, the greater will be its effect.

For prophylaxis of oral candidiasis in the newborn the suggested dose is 1 ml once daily. Administration should be continued for 48 hours after clinical cure to prevent relapse.

Contraindication

There are no known contraindication to the use of Nystatin except hypersensitivity to the drug.

Side Effects

Nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea have occasionally been reported with doses of Nystatin exceeding 4 to 5 million units daily. No systemic effects or allergic reactions have been associated with its oral use.

Use in Special Population

Pregnancy : Absorption of Fungistin from the gastrointestinal tract is negligible, therefore no special precautions apply in pregnancy.

Commercial Pack

Fungistin® Suspension : 12 ml suspension in amber glass bottle with graduated dropper, each ml contains 100,000 units of Nystatin BP.