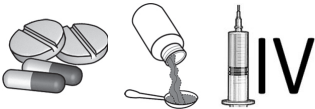


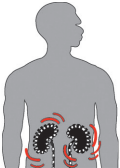








<p><b>Active ingredients (generic names)</b></p>	<p><b>CEFALEXIN</b> (sef-a-lex-in)  <b>CEFAZOLIN</b> (ce-faz-o-lin)  <b>CEFTAZIDIME</b> (cef-ta-zi-din)  <b>CEFTRIAXONE</b> (cef-tri-ax-own)  <b>CEFUROXIME</b> (cef-uro-xim)</p>  <p><b>Other cephalosporins</b>          Not included in this monograph — see <i>AMH</i> for information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cefepime</li> <li>• Cefotaxime</li> <li>• Cefoxitin</li> <li>• Ceftaroline</li> <li>• Cefzolozane</li> </ul>
<p><b>What it is used for</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lots of infections — gonorrhoea, kidney infections, mastitis, melioidosis, meningitis, pneumonia, septicaemia, skin and soft tissue infections, urinary tract infection (UTIs)</li> <li>• Sepsis (ceftriaxone)</li> <li>• Chronic suppurative lung disease (CSLD) in children — if acute episode (cefuroxime)</li> </ul>
<p><b>How it works</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Antibiotic that stops bacteria’s cell wall from growing</li> <li>• Different germs need different antibiotics. If not sure which one to use — check with doctor</li> </ul>
<p><b>Side effects</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Serum sickness-like reaction — rash, swollen glands, sore joints</li> <li>• Anaphylaxis rare — but consider if trouble breathing</li> </ul>  <p>Diarrhoea      Nausea      Rash      Anaphylaxis — severe allergic reaction</p>

 <p><b>Warnings</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Person who is allergic to penicillin may also be allergic to cephalosporins</li> </ul>  <p>Kidney trouble</p>
<p><b>Tell the patient</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Take all the medicine — makes sure all the germs are gone and the infection doesn't come back</li> </ul>    <p>Return to clinic straight away if you get rash, swollen glands, sore joints (serum sickness-like reaction)</p> <p>Store in fridge (not freezer) — if you don't the use-by/expiry date will be sooner and it won't work as well</p>  <p>Finish medicine — even if you feel better</p> <p><b>Warning stickers (page 310):</b> Cefaclor A, B Medicine mixture (cefalexin) 6, 7a</p>
<p><b>Check</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Always have anaphylaxis kit with adrenaline (epinephrine) ready when giving ceftriaxone or cefazolin injections</li> <li>Follow-up when antibiotic finished to make sure infection is gone. If not — <b>medical consult</b></li> </ul>  <p>Making mixture</p> <p>Make sure right amount of clean water added to dry powder</p>