

CIPROFLOXACIN (Ciprinol, Ciprobay, Ciprum)

Ciprofloxacin is an antibiotic and is used to treat a variety of medical conditions. It is also used to protect people who have been in close contact with a person with severe meningococcal infection. Prophylactic treatment can successfully prevent the development and further spread of the disease.

It targets bacteria (meningococci) that cause inflammation of the meninges and blood poisoning. If these bacteria are in the nose or throat, they can be removed by taking prophylactic antibiotic.

People who have been in close contact with the patient should receive **ciprofloxacin in a single dose as a precaution.**

Dosage:

Adults and children aged 12+ years:	500 mg per person, 1 dose
Children aged 5–12 years:	250 mg per person, 1 dose
Children aged 1 month to 4 years:	125 mg per person, 1 dose

Do not take ciprofloxacin if:

- you are hypersensitive to ciprofloxacin or other quinolone medicines;
- you have seizures (epilepsy).

If you are taking omeprazole, warfarin, methotrexate, xanthine, NSAIDs, cyclosporine, glibenclamide, probenecid and metoclopramide, consult your doctor.

Patients with renal impairment should receive an adjusted dose of the medicine.

Side effects

Avoid sunbathing while taking ciprofloxacin as sunburn-like skin reactions are possible.

Nausea, headache, dizziness, insomnia, agitation, confusion, diarrhoea, abdominal pain and joint pain may occur after taking ciprofloxacin.