

# **Tablets, Suspension & Drops**

نيو-كلار

COMPOSITION: NEO-KLAR Tablet 250 mg:

Each film coated tablet contains:

... 250 mg Clarithromycin USP ...

Product Specs.: USP

NEO-KLAR Tablet 500 mg: Each film coated tablet contains:

... 500 mg Clarithromycin USP ..

Product Specs.: USP

NEO-KLAR Suspension 125 mg/5 ml:

Each 5 ml contains: Clarithromycin (Granules) ...... ......125 mg.

Product Specs.: USF

NEO-KLAR Suspension 250 mg/5 ml:

Each 5 ml contains: 

Product Specs.: USP

NEO-KLAR Drops 125 mg/5 ml:

Each 5 ml contains

(USP Specifications)

DESCRIPTION:

Clarithromycin is a semi-synthetic macrolide antibiotic. Chemically, it is 6-0-methylerythromycin. The molecular formula is C38H69NO13, and the molecular weight is 747.96

## MECHANISM OF ACTION:

 $Clarith romy cin exerts its antibacterial \ action \ by \ binding \ to \ the \ 50S \ ribosomal \ subunit \ of \ susceptible \ bacteria \ resulting \ in \ inhibition \ of \ protein \ synthesis.$ 

## PHARMACOKINETICS:

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Clarithromycin is rapidly absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract after oral administration. The absolute bioavailability of 250 mg Clarithromycin tablets was approximately 50%. For a single 500 mg dose of Clarithromycin, food slightly delays the onset of Clarithromycin absorption, increasing the peak time from approximately 2 to 2.5 hours. Food also increases the Clarithromycin peak plasma concentration by about 24%, but does not affect the extent of Clarithromycin bioavailability. Food does not affect the onset of formation, indicated by an 11% decreases in area under the plasma concentration the understanding the plasma concentration that does slightly decrease the extent of metabolite formation, indicated by an 11% decrease in area under the plasma concentration. The enderstanding the plasma concentration is a subject of metabolity of the plasma concentration were attained within 2 to 3 hours after oral dosing. Steady-state peak plasma Clarithromycin concentrations were attained within 3 days and were approximately 1 to 2 mog/mL to 2 mog/mL to 3 days and were approximately 1 hours and 3 to 4 hours with 12 50 mg administered every 18 to 12 hours. The elimination half-life of Clarithromycin was about 31 to 4 hours with 1250 mg administered every 18 to 12 hours. Clarithromycin metabolite distribute readily into body tissues and fluids. There are no data available on cerebrospinal fluid penetration. Because of high intracellular concentrations, issue concentrations are higher than serum concentrations. For adult patients, the bioavailability of 10 mL of the 125 mg/5 mL suspension or 10 mL of the 250 mg/5 mL suspension or 10 mL of the 250 mg/5 mL suspension or 10 mL of the 250 mg/5 mL suspension or 10 mL of the 250 mg/5 mL suspension or 10 mL of the 250 mg/5 mL suspension or 10 mL of the 250 mg/5 mL suspension or 10 mL of the 250 mg/5 mL suspension or 10 mL of the 250 mg/5 mL suspension or 10 mL of the 250 mg/5 mL suspension or 10 mL of the 250 mg/5 mL suspension or 10 mL of the 250 mg/5 mL su

concentrations of 3 to 7 mcg/mL for Clarithromycin and 1 to 2 mcg/mL for 10 data to 10 d

## MICROBIOLOGY:

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Clarithromycin is active in vitro against a variety of aerobic and anaerobic Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacteria as well as most Mycobacterium avium complex (MAC) bacteria. Additionally, the 14-OH Clarithromycin metabolite also has clinically significant antimicrobial activity. The 14-OH Clarithromycin is twice as active against Haemophilus influenzae microorganisms as the parent compound. Clarithromycin has been shown to be active against most strains of the following microorganisms both in vitro and in clinical infections

Aerobic gram-positive microorganisms:

Staphylococcus aureus

Streptococcus proeques

Aerobic gram-negative microorganisms:

Haemophilus influenzae

Haemophilus parainfluenzae

Moraxella catarrhalis

Other microorganisms:

Other microorganisms: Mycoplasma pneumoniae Chlamydia pneumoniae

Mycobacterium avium complex (MAC) consisting of: Mycobacterium avium Mycobacterium intracellulare

Beta-lactamase production should have no effect on Clarithromycin activity

Most isolates of methicillin-resistant and oxacillin-resistant staphylococci are resistant to Clarithromycin. Omeprazole/Clarithromycin dual therapy; ranitidine bismuth citrate/Clarithromycin dual therapy; omeprazole/Clarithromycin/amoxicillin triple therapy; and lansoprazole/Clarithromycin/amoxicillin triple therapy have been shown to be active against most strains of Helicobacter pylori in vitro and in clinical infections.

NEO-KLAR (Clarithromycin tablets, USP) and NEO-KLAR (Clarithromycin for oral suspension, USP and oral drops) are indicated for the treatment of mild to moderate infections caused by susceptible isolates of the designated bacteria in the conditions as listed below Adults:

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Pharyngitis/Tonsillitis due to Streptococcus pyogenes (The usual drug of choice in the treatment and prevention of streptococcal infections and the prophylaxis of rheumatic fever is penicillin administered by either the intramuscular or the oral route. Clarithromycin is generally effective in the eradication of S. pyogenes from the nasopharynx; however, data establishing the efficacy of Clarithromycin in the subsequent prevention of rheumatic fever are not available at present). Acute maxillary sinusitis due to Haemophilus influenzae, Moraxella catarrhalis, or Streptococcus pneumoniae. Acute bacterial exacerbation of chronic bronchitis due to Haemophilus influenzae, Moraxella catarrhalis, or Streptococcus pneumoniae. Acute bacterial exacerbation of chronic bronchitis due to Haemophilus influenzae, Moraxella catarrhalis, or Streptococcus pneumoniae. Community-Acquired pneumoniae. Acute bacterial exacerbation of chronic bronchitis due to Haemophilus influenzae, Moraxella catarrhalis, or Streptococcus pneumoniae. Community or Mycobacterium intracellulare NEO-KLAR (Clarithromycin) tablets in combination with amoxicillin and lansoprazole or omeprazole, as triple therapy, are indicated for the treatment of patients with an active duodenal ulcer five year history of duodenal ulcer) to eradicate H. pylori. NEO-KLAR tablets in combination with omeprazole capsules or rantidine bismuth citrate tablets are also indicated for the treatment of patients with an active duodenal ulcer associated with H. pylori infection. However, regimens which contain Clarithromycin resistance among patients who fail therapy. Clarithromycin-containing regimens should not be used in patients with known or suspected Clarithromycin resistant isolates because the efficacy of treatment is reduced in this setting. In patients who fail therapy, susceptibility testing should be done if possible. If resistance to Clarithromycin is demonstrated, a non-Clarithromycin-containing therapy is recommended.

Children (6months-12 years) (NEO-KLAR oral s

# DOSAGE & ADMINSTRATION:

NEO-KLAR (Clarithromycin tablets, USP) and NEO-KLAR (Clarithromycin for oral suspension or oral drops, USP) may be given with or without food.

\*\*Adults:\*\* The adult dosage of NEO-KLAR for respiratory tract infections is 250 mg to 500 mg every 12 hours for 71 to 14 days. For infections caused by less susceptible organisms, the upper dosage should be used.

Infection	Dosage Guidelines for NEO-K Dosage BD	Duration
Pharyngitis/tonsillitis	250 mg	10 days
Acute maxillary sinusitis	500 mg	7-14 days
Acute exacerbation of chronic bronchitis and pneumoniae	250-500 mg	7-14 days
Uncomplicated Skin and Skin Structure Infection	250-500 mg	7-14 days

In the treatment of Group A streptococcus infections, therapy should be continued for 10 days.

\*\*Renal impairment\*\*: In patients with renal impairment and a creatinine clearance < 30 mL/min., the dosage of NEO-KLAR should be reduced by one-half, i.e., 250 mg once daily, or 250 mg twice daily in more severe infections. Dosage should not be continued beyond 14 days in these patients. The safety and efficacy of 500 mg Clarithromycin in patients with severe renal impairment has not been established.

\*\*Hepatic impairment\*\*: In patients with a combination of hepatic (mild to moderate) and renal impairments, decreased dosage of Clarithromycin or prolonged dosing intervals may be appropriate. Clarithromycin may be administered without dosage adjustment in the presence of hepatic impairment if there is normal renal function. Clarithromycin is contraindicated in patients with severe hepatic failure in combination with renal impairment.

\*\*Eradication of helicobacter pylori:\*\*

\*\*Triple theraps\*\*:

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Triple therapy:
NEO-KLAR/omeprazole/amoxicillin: The recommended dose is Clarithromycin 500 mg twice daily in conjunction with omeprazole 20 mg daily and amoxicillin 1000 mg twice daily for 10 days.
Adults with mycobacterial infections:
Prophylaxis: The recommended dose of NEO-KLAR for the prevention of disseminated M. avium disease is 500 mg twice daily.
Treatment: Clarithromycin is recommended as the primary agent for the treatment of disseminated infection due to MAC. The recommended dose for mycobacterial infections in adults is 500 mg twice daily.
NEO-KLAR oral suspension:
Adults: The recommended daily dosage of NEO-KLAR (Clarithromycin for oral suspension USP) is 15 mg/kg/day, in divided doses every 12 hours, not to exceed 1000 mg/day. The usual duration of treatment is for 5 to 10 days depending on the pathogen involved and the severity of the condition. Treatment for pharyngitis caused by Streptococcal species should be 10 days.
Children: In children with renal impairment and a creatinine clearance < 30 mL/min, the dosage of NEO-KLAR should be reduced by one-half, i.e., up to 250 mg once daily, or 250 mg twice daily in more severe infections. Dosage should not be continued beyond 14 days in these patients.

Pediatric dosage guidelines:
Based on body weight:

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WEIGHT	125 MG/ 5ML	
	DOSAGE (ml) given twice a day	
8 to 11 kg (1 to 2 years)	2.5	
12 to 19 kg (2 to 4 years)	5	
20 to 29 kg (4 to 8 years)	7.5	
30 to 40 kg (8 to 12 years)	10	

 $Children < 8\,kg \ should \ be \ dosed \ on \ a \ perkg \ basis \ (approximately \ 7.5\,mg/kg \ twice \ daily).$ 

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# CONTRAINDICATIONS

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Clarithromycin is contraindicated in patients with a known hypersensitivity to Clarithromycin, erythromycin, or any of the macrolide antibiotics. Clarithromycin is contraindicated in patients with a history of cholestatic jaundice/hepatic dysfunction associated with prior use of Clarithromycin. Concomitant administration of Clarithromycin and any of the following drugs is contraindicated: cisapride, pimozide, astemizole, terfenadine, and ergotamine or dihydroergotamine. There have been post-marketing reports of drug interactions when Clarithromycin and or erythromycin are co-administered with cisapride, pimozide, astemizole, or terfenadine resulting in cardiac arrhythmias (CID relongation, ventricular tachycardia, ventricular fibrillation, and torsades de pointes) most likely due to inhibition of metabolism of these drugs by erythromycin and Clarithromycin, Fatalities have been reported. Concomitant administration of Clarithromycin and colchicine is contraindicated in patients with report and concomitant threat or hepatic impairment. Contraindicated in patients with history of QT prolongation or ventricular cardiac arrhythmia, including torsades de pointes. Also contraindicated in patients with hypokalaemia due to the risk of prolongation of QT-time and torsades de pointes.

Concomitant threaty with HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors (statins) that are extensively metabolized by CYP3A4 (lovastatin or simvastatin), due to an increased risk of myopathy, including rhabdomyolysis.

Concomitant therapy with ergot alkaloids (e.g., ergotamine or dihydroergotamine) as this may result in ergot toxicity. Concomitant administration with oral midazolam, ticagrelor or ranolazine Concomitant therapy with colchicine toxicity. This risk may be further increased with concomitant medications metabolized by P-glycoprotein or strong CYP3A inhibitors.

### WARNINGS:

Use in pregnancy:
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Use in pregnancy while taking this drug, the patient should be apprised of the potential hazard to the fetus. Clarithromycin should not be used in pregnant women except in clinical circumstances where no alternative therapy is appropriate. If pregnancy occurs while taking this drug, the patient should be apprised of the potential hazard to the fetus. Clarithromycin has demonstrated adverse effects of pregnancy outcome and/or embryo-fetal development in monkeys, rats, mice, and rabbits at doses that produced plasma levels 2 to 17 times the serum levels achieved in humans treated at the maximum recommended human doses.

Hepatotoxicity.
Hepatio dysfunction, including increased liver enzymes, and hepatocellular and/or cholestatic hepatitis, with or without jaundice, has been reported with Clarithromycin. This hepatic dysfunction may be severe and is usually reversible. In some instances, hepatic failure with fatal outcome has been reported and generally has been associated with serious underlying diseases and/or concomitant medications. Discontinue Clarithromycin immediately if signs and symptoms of hepatitis occur.

## QT Prolongation:

Clarithromycin has been associated with prolongation of the QT interval and infrequent cases of arrhythmia. Cases of torsades de pointes have been spontaneously reported during postmarketing surveillance in patients Clarithromyclin has been associated with proprigation of the Circumstance of arrivating and the Company of the Company of the Circumstance of the

## DRUG INTERACTIONS:

Serious adverse reactions have been reported in patients taking Clarithromycin concomitantly with CYP3A4 substrates. These include colchicine toxicity with colchicine; rhabdomyolysis with simvastatin, lovastatin, and atorvastatin; and hypotension with calcium channel blockers metabolized by CYP3A4 (e.g., verapamil, amlodipine, diltiazem). Life-threatening and fatal drug interaction have been reported in patients treated with Clarithromycin and colchicine. Clarithromycin is a strong CYP3A4 inhibitor and this interaction may occur while usboth drugs at their recommended doses. If co-administration of Clarithromycin and colchicine is necessary in patients with normal renal and hepatic function, the dose of colchicine should be reduced. Patients should be monitored for clinical symptoms of colchicine toxicity. Concomitant administration of Clarithromycin and colchicine is contraindicated in patients with renal or hepatic impairment.

\*\*Clostridium difficile associated diarrhea:\*\*

Clostridium difficile associated diarrhea (CDAD) has been reported with use of nearly all antibacterial agents, including NEO-KLAR, and may range in severity from mild diarrhea to fatal colitis. If CDAD is suspected or confirmed, ongoing antibiotic use not directed against C. difficile may need to be discontinued. Appropriate fluid and electrolyte management, protein supplementation, antibiotic treatment of C. difficile, and surgical evaluation should be instituted as clinically indicated.

### PRECAUTIONS:

Prescribing NEO-KLAR in the absence of a proven or strongly suspected bacterial infection or a prophylactic indication is unlikely to provide benefit to the patient and increases the risk of the development of drua-resistant bacteria. Prescribing NEU-NLA in the absence or a proven or strongly suspected bacterial infection or a prophylactic inclinication is unlikely to provide benefit to the patient and increases the risk of the development of drug-resistant bacteria. Clarithromycin is principally excreted via the liver and kidney. Clarithromycin may be administered without dosage adjustment to patients with hepatic impairment and normal renal function. However, in the presence of severe renal impairment with or without coexisting hepatic impairment, decreased dosage or prolonged dosing intervals may be appropriate.

Clarithromycin in combination with rantitidine bismuth citrate therapy is not recommended in patients with creatinine clearance less than 25 mL/min.

Clarithromycin in combination with rantitidine bismuth citrate should not be used in patients with thistory of acute pophyria.

Exacerbation of symptoms of myasthenia gravis and new onset of symptoms of myasthenic syndrome has been reported in patients receiving Clarithromycin therapy.

### PREGNANCY & LACTATION

Pregnancy: Pregnancy Category C. Clarithromycin should not be used in pregnancy except where no alternative therapy is appropriate, particularly during the first 3 months of pregnancy. If pregnancy occurs while taking the drug, the patient should be apprised of the potential hazard to the fetus. Nursing Mothers: Clarithromycin is excreted in human milk. Caution should be exercised when Clarithromycin is administered to a nursing woman.

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Clarithromycin use in patients who are receiving theophylline may be associated with an increase of serum theophylline concentrations. Monitoring of serum theophylline concentrations should be considered for patients receiving high doses of theophylline or with baseline concentrations in the upper therapeutic range. Hypotension, bridystrrhytmias, and lactic acidosis have been observed in patients receiving concurrent verapamil, belonging to the carbon service of the patients of the patients of the patients of the patients receiving concurrent verapamil, belonging to the patients of the patients of

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The most frequent adverse events in adults taking Clarithromycin are diarrhea, nausea, abnormal taste, dyspepsia, abdominal pain/discomfort, and headache. In pediatric patients, the most frequently adverse events are diarrhea, vomiting, abdominal pain, rash, and headache. Most of these events are mild or moderate in severity. Allergic reactions ranging from urticaria and mild skin eruptions to rare cases of anaphylaxis, Stevens-Johnson syndrome and toxic epidermal necrolysis have occurred. Other adverse events include glossitis, stomatitis, oral moniliasis, annorexia, vomiting, pancreatitis, tongue discoloration, thrombocytopenia, leukopenia, neutropenia, and dizziness. There have been rare cases of tooth discoloration in patients treated with Clarithromycin. Tooth discoloration is usually reversible with professional dental cleaning. There have been is lated reports of hearing loss, which is usually reversible, occurring chiefly in elderly women. Reports of alterations of the sense of smell including smell loss, usually in conjunction with taste perversion or taste loss have also been reported. Transient CNS events including anxiety, behavioral changes, confusional states, convulsions, depersonalization, disorientation, halluciantations, insomnia, depression, manic behavior, nightmares, psychosis, tinnitus, tremor, and vertigo have been reported. Events usually resolve with discontinuation of the drug. Adverse reactions related to hepatic dysticon may also occur. There have been rare reports of hypoglycemia, some of which have occurred in patients taking oral hypoglycemia agents or insulin. As with other macrolides, Clarithromycin has been associated with QT prolongation and ventricular arrhythmias, including ventricular tachycardia and torsades de pointes. There have been rare cases of interstitial nephritis coincident with Clarithromycin use. There have been cases of colchicine toxicity with concomitant use of Clarithromycin and colchicine, especially in the elderly, some of which occurred

Changes in laboratory values:
Changes in laboratory values with possible clinical significance were as follows:
Hepatic: Elevated SGPT (ALT), SGOT (AST), GGT; alkaline phosphatase; LDH; total bilirubin.
Hematologic: Decreased WBC; elevated prothrombin time
Renal: Elevated BUN; elevated serum creatinine

# OVERDOSAGE:

Overdosage of Clarithromycin can cause gastrointestinal symptoms such as abdominal pain, vomiting, nausea, and diarrhea. Adverse reactions accompanying overdosage should be treated by the prompt elimination of unabsorbed drug and supportive measures. As with other macrolides, Clarithromycin serum concentrations are not expected to be appreciably affected by hemodialysis or peritoneal dialysis.

# RECONSTITUTION:

For Suspension 125 mg/5 ml: Add freshly boiled and cooled water in bottle and shake well to make 60 ml up to the red mark on the bottle.

**For Suspension 250 mg/5 ml:** Add freshly boiled and cooled water in bottle and shake well to make 70 ml up to the red mark on the bottle.

DOSAGE: For children 7.5 mg / kg after every 12 hour or as directed by the physician.

For Drops 125 mg / 5 ml:
Add freshly boiled and cooled water in bottle and shake well to make 30 ml up to the red mark on the bottle. DOSAGE:

For children 7.5 mg/kg after every 12 hours. For accurate measurement of dosage a dropper of 2.5 ml is provided or as directed by the physician.

# INSTRUCTIONS:

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For Suspension:
Store below 30°C. Store at cool dry place and protect from sunlight. Shake well before use. Keep bottle tightly closed after use. Use within 14 days after reconstitution. Keep out of the reach of children.
Do not refrigerate reconstituted suspension. To be sold on the prescription of a registered medical practitioner only. For Drops. Store below 30°C. Store at cool dry place and protect from sunlight. Shake well before use. Keep bottle tightly closed after use. Use within 14 days after reconstitution. Keep out of the reach of children. Do not refrigerate reconstituted suspension. To be sold on the prescription of a registered medical practitioner only.

# PRESENTATION:

NEO-KLAR Tablet 250 mg NEO-KLAR Tablet 500 mg Pack of 1x10 tablets Pack of 1x10 tablets NEO-KLAR Tablet 500 mg NEO-KLAR Suspension 125 mg/5 ml NEO-KLAR Suspension 250 mg/5 ml NEO-KLAR Drops 125 mg/5 ml Bottle of 60 ml : Bottle of 70 ml. : Bottle of 30 ml.

> بنانے کا طریقہ: ڈراپس برائے 125 mg/5 ml : 125 mg/5 تازه أبلا ہوا شھنڈا یانی بھر کر بوتل میں ڈالیں اوراچھی طرح ہلالیں تا کہ بوتل بردئے گئے سرخ نشان تک۲۰ ملی لیٹر سسپنشن تیار ہوجائے۔ بچوں کیلئے ۵ ء ملی گرام فی کلوگرام ہراا گھنٹے کے بعداستعال کریں۔ خوراک کی صحیح پیائش کیلئے ۵ ء ملی لیٹرڈ راپر ہمراہ ہے یا ڈاکٹر کی ہدایت استعال کے بعد ہوتل کواچھی طرح بند کر کے رکھیں۔ سپنشن بنانے کے بعد۱۴ دن کے اندراستعال کریں۔ بچوں کی پہنچ سے دور رکھیں۔ تیارشده دواریفریجریشر میں نه رکھیں ۔ صرف ڈاکٹر کے نسخه برفروخت کریں۔

ہلایات برائے ہوں 125 سے بارے ہو از وابلا اور الحین کی اور موسی اور نمی ہے گئے سرخ نشان تک ۲ ملی لیز سینیشن تیار ہوجائے۔

بول کی بینی سے دور رکھیں۔

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