

Composition : Gemifloxacin 320mg Tablet.

Indication : Gemifloxacin is indicated for the treatment of - Acute bacterial exacerbations of chronic bronchitis and community-acquired pneumonia (including multi-drug resistant strains).

Dosage and administration : The dosage and administration of Gemifloxacin is given below:

Indication	Dose	Duration
Acute bacterial exacerbation of chronic bronchitis	One 320mg tablet daily	5 days
Community acquired pneumonia [mild to moderate severity]		
Due to known or suspected <i>S. pneumoniae</i> , <i>H. influenzae</i> , <i>M. pneumoniae</i> , or <i>C. pneumoniae</i> infection	One 320mg tablet daily	5 days
Due to known or suspected Multi-drug resistant <i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i> including <i>K. pneumoniae</i> , or <i>M. catarrhalis</i> infection.		7 days

The recommended dose and duration of Gemifloxacin should not be exceeded.

Use in renally impaired patients : Dose adjustment in patients with creatinine clearance >40mL/min is not required. Dose should be 160mg every 24 hours for patients with creatinine clearance <40mL/min.

Or, as directed by the registered physician.

Contraindications : Gemifloxacin is contraindicated in patients with a history of hypersensitivity to Gemifloxacin, any member of the quinolones class of antimicrobial agents or any of the product components.

Side effects : The most commonly reported adverse events are nausea, stomach upset, loss of appetite, diarrhea, drowsiness, headache, dry mouth, altered taste, constipation and trouble sleeping may occur.

Precautions: Fluoroquinolones including Gemifloxacin, are associated with an

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increased risk of tendinitis and tendon rupture in all ages. This risk is further increased in older patients usually over 60 years of age, in patients taking corticosteroid drugs, and in patients with kidney, heart and lung transplants.

Use in pregnancy and lactation : Gemifloxacin has been assigned to pregnancy category C by the FDA.

Caution should be exercised when Gemifloxacin is administered to a nursing mother.

Drug interactions : Concomitant administration of Gemifloxacin and calcium carbonate, cimetidine, omeprazole or an estrogen/progesterone oral contraceptive produce minor changes in the pharmacokinetics of Gemifloxacin.

Packing : 1 x 7's tablets in blister pack.