

CILICAINE[®] SYRINGE 1.5

Procaine benzylpenicillin monohydrate, Suspension for Injection, 435 mg/mL

What is in this leaflet

Please read this leaflet carefully before you start being given CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5.

This leaflet answers some common questions about CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5.

It does not contain all the available information. It does not take the place of talking to your doctor or pharmacist.

All medicines have risks and benefits. Your doctor has weighed the risks of you being given CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 against the benefits they expect it will have for you.

If you have any concerns about being given this medicine, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

Keep this leaflet with the medicine. You may need to read it again.

What CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 is given for

CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 is given to treat infections in different parts of the body caused by bacteria. It works by killing the bacteria that are causing the infection. It will not work against infections caused by viruses such as colds or the flu.

This medicine belongs to a group of antibiotics known as penicillins.

CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 contains the active ingredient procaine benzylpenicillin (procaine penicillin).

Your doctor may have prescribed this medicine for another reason.

Ask your doctor if you have any questions about why this medicine has been prescribed for you.

This medicine is available only with a doctor's prescription.

Before you are given CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5

When you must not be given it

Do not receive CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 if you have an allergy to:

- any medicine containing procaine benzylpenicillin
- any other penicillin medicines
- any other ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.

You must tell your doctor if you have had an allergic reaction to cephalosporins.

You may have an increased chance of being allergic to CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 if you are allergic to cephalosporins.

Some of the symptoms of an allergic reaction may include:

- shortness of breath,
- wheezing or difficulty breathing,
- swelling of the face, lips, tongue or other parts of the body,
- rash, itching or hives on the skin.

Tell your doctor if you have suffered from any other allergic reactions in the past due to use of penicillin.

Do not receive this medicine if you are pregnant.

It may affect your developing baby if you take it during pregnancy.

Do not breast-feed if you are receiving this medicine.

Your doctor will discuss with you the risks and benefits of being given CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 during pregnancy and when you are breastfeeding.

Do not receive this medicine after the expiry date printed on the pack or if the packaging is torn or shows signs of tampering.

If it has expired or is damaged, return it to your pharmacist for disposal.

If you are not sure whether you should start receiving this medicine, talk to your doctor.

Before you start being given it

Tell your doctor if you have allergies to any other medicines, foods, preservatives or dyes.

Tell your doctor if you are taking probenecid, a medicine used to treat gout.

Tell your doctor if you have Brugada syndrome (a condition that causes a disruption of the heart's normal rhythm) or any other heart rhythm conditions.

If you take the oral contraceptive pill, talk to your doctor or nurse about the need to use additional contraception whilst being given CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5.

Some antibiotics may decrease the effectiveness of some birth control pills, though this has not been shown in CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5.

If you have not told your doctor about any of the above, tell them before you start CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5.

Using other medicines

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are using any other medicines, including medicines that you buy without a prescription from your pharmacy, supermarket or health food shop.

You should also tell any health professional who is prescribing a new medication for you that you are being given CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5.

Some medicines may interfere with CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5. These include:

- Bacteriostatic medicines are broad spectrum antibiotics often used to treat skin, chest, urethral, and pelvic infections (such as Doxycycline). When used at the same time as CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 it can prevent the antibacterial effect and should be avoided.
- Probenecid medicines is used to prevent gout attacks or flares. such as Probalan. When used together it will result in increased blood concentrations by reducing the amount of penicillin your body can remove.

These medicines may be affected by CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 or may affect how well it works. You may need different amounts of your medicines, or you may need to use different medicines.

Your doctor and pharmacist have more information on medicines to be careful with or avoid while being given this medicine.

How you are given CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5

CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 is given as a deep injection into a large muscle.

CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 must only be given by a doctor or nurse.

How much you are given

The usual dose is:

Adults

1.5 g daily for two to five days, the fourth and fifth doses being dependent on the severity of the infection.

Gonorrhoea

1 g daily for one to two weeks, or up to 4.8 g as a single session treatment usually administered with probenecid.

Syphilis

Often a 10 to 14 day course of procaine penicillin 1 g/day.

Use in Children

Dose should be adjusted according to age and weight.

Newborn and Premature Infants

Crystalline penicillin given at intervals of 8 or 12 hours is more suitable for more serious infections.

Children Under 3 Years

¼ adult dose is usually sufficient.

Children Over 3 Years

½ adult dose is usually sufficient.

How long to use it

Your doctor will tell you how long you will be CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 injections for.

The whole course must be given. Do not stop receiving CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 even if you feel better.

Your infection and symptoms may return.

If you forget to be given it

If you have forgotten about your next CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 injection, go to your doctor as soon as you remember and then go back to your normal visits.

While you are being given CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5

Things you must do

If you are about to be started on any new medicine, tell your doctor and pharmacist that you are receiving CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5.

Tell any other doctors, dentists, and pharmacists who treat you that you are receiving this medicine.

If your symptoms do not improve within few days, or if they become worse, tell your doctor.

If you develop any form of skin rash and/or itching or difficulty in breathing while using receiving CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5, contact your doctor immediately.

If you develop severe diarrhoea tell your doctor immediately.

Do this even if it occurs several weeks after you have stopped using receiving CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5.

If you become pregnant while receiving this medicine, tell your doctor immediately.

If you are about to have any blood tests, tell your doctor that you are being given this medicine.

It may interfere with the results of some tests.

Tell your doctor if you have not received this medicine as it was prescribed.

Otherwise, your doctor may think that it was not effective and change your treatment unnecessarily.

Keep all of your doctor's appointments so that your progress can be checked.

Things you must not do

Do not use CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 to treat any other complaints unless your doctor tells you to.

Do not give your medicine to anyone else, even if they have the same condition as you.

Do not stop taking your medicine or lower the dosage without checking with your doctor.

Things to be careful of

Tell your doctor if you get vaginal itching or discharge, sore mouth or tongue.

This is due to a fungal infection called thrush. Sometimes use of this medicine allows fungi to grow, as CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 is ineffective against fungi.

If you get diarrhoea, nausea or vomiting, tell your doctor.

Do this even if it occurs several weeks after receiving your last CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 injection.

Be careful driving or operating machinery until you know how CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 affects you.

CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 generally does not affect your ability to drive a car or operate machinery. However, as with many other medicines, CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 may also cause dizziness, drowsiness and/or tiredness in some people.

Things that would be helpful for

Prolonged use with this medicine especially at a high dose may need occasional checking of your kidneys and other organ systems and tissues. Your doctor will arrange tests for this.

In case of overdose

If you use too much (overdose)

As this medicine is given to you by a doctor or nurse it is unlikely that you will receive too much.

Immediately telephone your doctor or the National Poisons Centre (telephone 0800 POISON or 0800 764 766) or go to accident and emergency at your nearest hospital, if you think that you or anyone else may have used too much CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5. Do this even if there are no signs of discomfort or poisoning. You may need urgent medical attention.

Symptoms of an overdose may include neuromuscular hyperirritability (muscle cramps,

muscle twitching) or convulsive seizures (grand mal seizures).

Side effects

Tell your doctor or pharmacist as soon as possible if you do not feel well while you are using CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5.

This medicine helps most people, but it may have unwanted side effects in a few people.

All medicines can have side effects. Sometimes they are serious, most of the time they are not. You may need medical treatment if you get some of the side effects.

Ask your doctor or pharmacist to answer any questions you may have.

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you notice any of the following and they worry you:

- Gastrointestinal effects like diarrhoea, nausea and vomiting
- Skin rash
- Difficulty in breathing
- Hypersensitivity reactions including the following: rash, hives, swelling of the throat, fever; chills, swelling, pain in your joints and feeling weak)
- Some patients being treated for syphilis may experience a Jarisch-Herxheimer reaction (flu-like symptoms including headache, joint and muscle pain, body aches, sore throat, general malaise, sweating, chills and nausea), shortly after starting treatment
- Extreme anxiety and a sensation of impending death has been reported after intramuscular injection
- Hallucinations
- Disorientation
- Fast heart rate
- acute depersonalisation (feeling that you are observing yourself from outside your body or you feel things around you are not real)

- frank psychotic behaviour (feeling paranoid)
- hysterical

The above list includes the more common side effects of your medicine.

They are usually mild and short-lived.

Tell your doctor as soon as possible if you notice any of the following:

- Severe skin adverse reactions (SCAR), such as rashes that spread, blisters, skin shedding, severe skin peeling and superficial pustules. When SCAR is suspected, CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 should be discontinued immediately an alternative treatment might be needed.

The above list includes serious side effects that may require medical attention. Serious side effects are rare.

If any of the following happen, tell your doctor immediately or go to Accident and Emergency at your nearest hospital:

- Anaphylactic shock
- Allergic reaction

The above list includes very serious side effects. You may need urgent medical attention or hospitalisation. These side effects are rare.

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you notice anything that is making you feel unwell.

Other side effects not listed above may also occur in some people. Tell your doctor if you notice any other effects.

Do not be alarmed by this list of possible side effects. You may not experience any of them.

After receiving CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5

Storage

The syringes will be kept on the hospital ward or in the pharmacy.

Keep the syringes in the pack until it is time to take them.

Keep the syringes in a refrigerator where the temperature stays between 2° and 8°C. DO NOT FREEZE

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Product description

What it looks like

CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 is a slightly viscose white suspension. There are 5 syringes per carton and 5 sterile skin swabs.

Ingredients

Active ingredient(s):

CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 contains a total of 1.5 g of procaine benzylpenicillin as the active ingredient.

Inactive ingredient(s):

CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 also contains:

- phenylmercuric acetate
- polysorbate 80
- sodium citrate dihydrate
- water for injections

If you want to know more

Should you have any questions regarding this product, please contact your pharmacist or doctor.

Who supplies this medicine

CILICAINE SYRINGE 1.5 is supplied in New Zealand by:

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Date of Preparation
