Information For the User Moxifloxacin Infusion

Moxolunic IV

Moxifloxacin Infusion Overview

Generic Name:

Moxifloxacin

Brand Names:

Avelox, Avalox, or generic equivalents

Dosage Form:

Intravenous (IV) Infusion Solution, typically 400 mg/250 mL $\,$

Drug Class:

Fluoroquinolone Antibiotic

Indications:

Moxifloxacin Infusion is used to treat a variety of bacterial infections, including:

- 1. Community-Acquired Pneumonia (CAP)
- 2. Complicated Skin and Soft Tissue Infections
- 3. **Complicated Intra-Abdominal Infections** (including polymicrobial infections)
- 4. Acute Bacterial Sinusitis (when oral therapy is not suitable)
- 5. Acute Exacerbations of Chronic Bronchitis

Note: Moxifloxacin should be used only for infections proven or strongly suspected to be caused by susceptible bacteria.

Mechanism of Action:

Moxifloxacin works by inhibiting bacterial DNA gyrase and topoisomerase IV, enzymes critical for bacterial DNA replication, transcription, and repair. This results in the death of the bacterial cells.

Dosage & Administration:

- Usual Dose: 400 mg once daily via intravenous infusion.
- **Infusion Time:** Administer over **60 minutes** to avoid cardiovascular side effects.
- Duration of Therapy:
 - **Community-Acquired Pneumonia:** 7-14 days
 - Skin and Soft Tissue Infections: 7-21 days
 - o Intra-Abdominal Infections: 5-14 days

Note: Transition to oral therapy can occur when appropriate, as moxifloxacin has the same dosage for oral and IV formulations.

Preparation & Administration:

- 1. **Check Solution:** Ensure the infusion solution is clear and free from particulates.
- 2. Compatibility:
 - Compatible with sodium chloride (0.9%) and dextrose (5%) solutions.
 - Do not mix with other drugs or solutions.
- 3. **Infusion Site:** Use a dedicated IV line or flush before and after administration.

Side Effects:

Common Side Effects:

- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Headache
- Dizziness
- Injection site reactions (pain, redness)

Serious Side Effects:

- **Tendonitis or Tendon Rupture:** Especially in older adults or those taking corticosteroids.
- **QT Prolongation:** Risk of abnormal heart rhythms.
- **Peripheral Neuropathy:** Nerve damage symptoms (pain, tingling, weakness).
- Severe Allergic Reactions: Rash, itching, swelling, difficulty breathing.
- **C. difficile-Associated Diarrhea:** Persistent diarrhea caused by antibiotic use.

Precautions:

- 1. Cardiac Risk:
 - Avoid in patients with a history of QT prolongation, arrhythmias, or electrolyte imbalances (hypokalemia, hypomagnesemia).

2. Tendon Damage Risk:

• Discontinue if tendon pain or swelling occurs.

3. CNS Effects:

 Use with caution in patients with a history of seizures or neurological disorders.

4. Hypersensitivity:

• Avoid use if allergic to fluoroquinolones.

5. Renal and Hepatic Impairment:

 No dosage adjustment needed in mildto-moderate impairment, but caution is advised in severe cases.

6. Pregnancy & Breastfeeding:

• Use only if clearly needed; consult a healthcare provider.

Drug Interactions:

- Medications That Prolong QT Interval:
 - Examples: Antiarrhythmics,
 - antipsychotics, certain antihistamines.
- NSAIDs:
 - May increase the risk of CNS stimulation and seizures.
- Antacids & Multivitamins:
 - Avoid concomitant use with calcium, magnesium, aluminum, or iron

supplements, as they can reduce effectiveness.

Storage:

- Temperature: Store at room temperature (15°C-30°C or 59°F-86°F).
- Protect from light.
- Do not freeze.

When to Seek Medical Advice:

- Signs of **allergic reactions**: rash, swelling, or difficulty breathing.
- Symptoms of **tendon pain** or swelling.
- Persistent diarrhea or abdominal pain.
- Irregular heartbeat or palpitations.
- **Neurological symptoms**: tingling, numbness, confusion, or seizures.

Moxifloxacin Infusion should always be administered under the supervision of a healthcare professional. Follow all medical advice and report any unusual symptoms promptly.

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