





## Treatment Of Respiratory Tract Infections

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# **OBJECTIVES:**

### At the end of lecture, students should be able to:

- The types of respiratory tract infections (RTI).
- The antibiotics that are commonly used to treat RTIs & their side effects.
- Understand the mechanism of action & pharmacokinetics of individual drugs.

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## Respiratory Tract Infections Classification

## Upper Respiratory Tract Infections

#### **Viruses**

most URTIs are of viral etiology.

#### Treatment

Should **NOT** be treated with antibiotics. Rest and plenty of fluids, over the counter cold & pain relievers.

### <u>Bacteria</u>

Mainly group A streptococcus and H. Influenza.

#### Treatment

Antibiotics. **Type depends on:** 1) Type of bacteria. 2) Sensitivity test.

## Lower Respiratory Tract Infections

<u>(costly & more difficult to treat)</u>

### **Bronchitis**

(inflammation of major bronchi & trachea)

Acute, Chronic, or Acute exacerbation of chronic bronchitis.

#### Causes

Viruses or bacteria (H. Influenza, Streptococcus pneumonia & Moraxella catarrhalis.)

### <u>Pneumonia</u>

(serious infection of bronchioles & alveoli)

- Community-acquired (CAP).

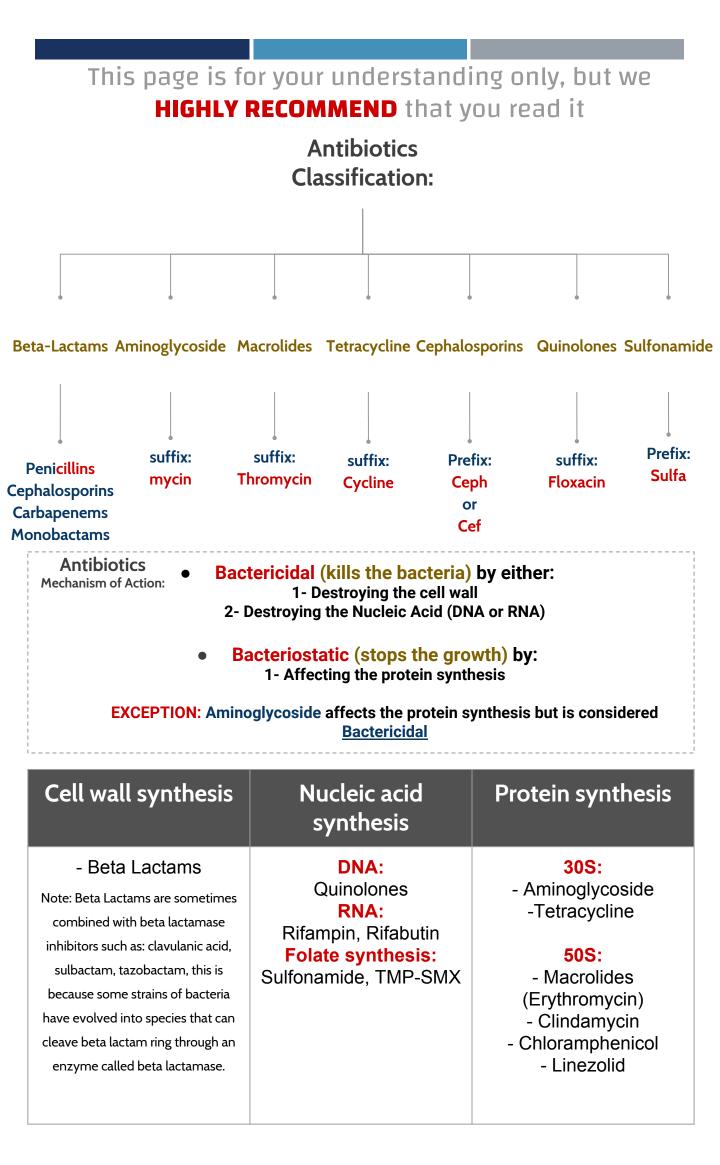
- Hospital-acquired. (Nosocomial)

### Causes

Bacteria: S. pneumoniae (66%), H. Influenza (20%), M. catarrhalis (20%)

#### **Conducting Passages**

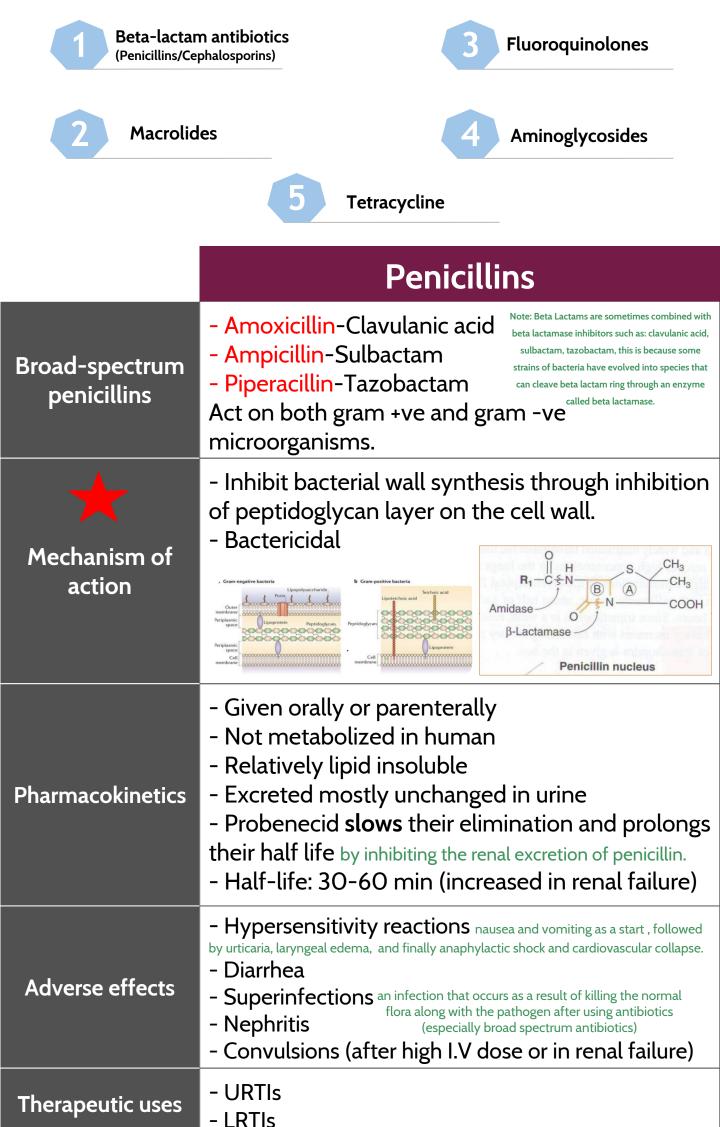
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AT: Aminoglycoside, Tetracycline CCEL: Clindamycin, Chloramphenicol, Erythromycin, Linezolid

## Antibiotics commonly used in the treatment of RTIs:



# Cephalosporins

Features (MOA)	<ul> <li>Inhibit bacterial cell wall synthesis</li> <li>Bactericidal (similar to Penicillins) more stable than penicillins to β-lactamase.</li> <li>Classified into 3 generations:</li> </ul>		
Generation	1st	2nd	3rd
Drug	Cephalexin	Cefuroxime, Cefaclor	Ceftriaxone, Cefotaxime, Cefixime
Route of administration	Orally	Orally well absorbed	I.V
Spectrum	Gram <b>+ve</b> bacteria (mild infection)	Gram <b>-ve</b> bacteria (active against β-lactamase-producing bacteria)	Gram <b>-ve</b> bacilli
Uses	Effective in URTIs	Upper & lower RTIs	Effective in treatment of pneumonia
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A.D.R of Cephalospor ins	<ul> <li>Hypersensitivity r</li> <li>Thrombophlebitist therefore injections are given s</li> <li>Superinfections.</li> <li>Diarrhea.</li> </ul>	<b>S</b> an inflammation that forms a bloo	d clot which blocks a vein

# Macrolide

	Erythromycin		
Drugs	Clarithromycin	Azithromycin	
MOA	<ul> <li>Inhibits bacterial protein synthes the bacterial ribosomal RNA.</li> <li>They are bacteriostatic, But whe → bactericidal</li> </ul>		
Antibacterial spectrum	<ul> <li>More effective on G+ve bacteria</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>More effective on G-ve bacteria</li> </ul>	
Pharmacokin etics	<ul> <li>Stable at gastric acidity</li> <li>Inhibition cytochrome P450 system</li> <li>Metabolized in liver to active metabolites</li> <li>Biliary route is the major route of elimination</li> <li>Only 10-15% excreted unchanged in the urine (good for kidney problems)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Stable at Gastric Acidity</li> <li>No effect on cytochrome P-430</li> <li>Undergo Some Hepatic Metabolism (inactive metabolite)</li> <li>Biliary route Is The major route of elimination</li> <li>Only 10-15% excreted unchanged the urine</li> </ul>	
Half-life	<ul> <li>Half-life 6-8 hours</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Half-life 3 days</li> </ul>	
Dose	Twice a day	<ul> <li>Once Daily Dosing</li> </ul>	
Clinical Uses	<ul><li><b>1-</b> Chlamydial Pneumonia</li><li><b>2-</b> Legionella Pneumonia</li></ul>		
Adverse effects	<ul> <li>GI Disturbances (Nausea,Vom diarrhea)</li> <li>Hypersensitivity Reaction</li> </ul>	iiting,abdominal cramps,	

# Fluoroquinolones

Drugs	Ciprofloxacin	Moxifloxacin Gatifloxacin
Antibacterial spectrum	G <b>-ve</b> bacteria highly active against Pseudomonas species	G <b>-ve</b> & G <b>+ve</b> highly active against Pseudomonas species
P.K	<ul> <li>Given orally or parenterally</li> <li>Di &amp; tri-valent cations interfere with its absorption. (divalent cation is a cation with +2 charge, like calcium, trivalent with +3 like aluminium)</li> <li>Concentrate in many tissues (kidney, prostate, lung &amp; bones/joints) which means it can treat infections in these organs.</li> <li>Excretion mainly through the kidney.</li> <li>Long half-life</li> </ul>	
Dose	twice-daily	Once daily
MOA	Block bacterial DNA synthesis by inhibiting <b>DNA Gyrase</b> <b>enzyme</b> (an enzyme involved in DNA supercoiling).	
Clinical Uses	<ol> <li>Acute exacerbation of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease</li> <li>Community-acquired pneumonia.</li> <li>Legionella pneumonia</li> </ol>	
ADRs	<ul> <li>Nausea, vomiting and diarrhea</li> <li>CNS effects (confusion, insomnia ,headache and anxiety)</li> <li>Damage of growing cartilage (arthropathy) (for &lt;18 years old)</li> <li>Phototoxicity (avoid excessive sunlight ) causes skin irritation</li> </ul>	
Contraindicatio ns	<ul> <li>Not recommended for patie</li> <li>Pregnancy</li> <li>Breastfeeding Women</li> </ul>	ents younger than 18 years

## Aminoglycosides e.g. Gentamicin, Neomycin, Streptomycin

Drugs	Gentamicin
Antibacterial spectrum	Only active against Gram <b>–Ve Aerobic organisms</b>
M.O.A	<ul> <li>bactericidal antibiotics</li> <li>inhibits protein synthesis by binding to 30S ribosomal subunits.</li> </ul>
P.K	<ul> <li>Given parenterally (IM, IV) poorly absorbed orally (highly charged).</li> <li>Cross placenta contraindicated in pregnancy, may cause hearing loss.</li> <li>Excreted unchanged in urine</li> <li>Half-life: 2-3 h &amp; increased to 24-48 h in renal impairment</li> </ul>
ADR for all types of Aminoglycosides	<ul> <li>Ototoxicity</li> <li>Nephrotoxicity</li> <li>In very high doses → neuromuscular blockade that results in respiratory paralysis</li> </ul>
Clinical uses	<ul> <li>Severe infection caused by gram -ve organisms</li> </ul>

# Tetracyclines

## e.g. Doxycycline, Minocycline, Chlortetracycline

Drugs	Doxycycline
Antibacterial spectrum	Broad Spectrum Bacteriostatic Active against many gram <b>+ve</b> and gram <b>-ve</b> bacteria (Anaerobes, Rickettsiae, Chlamydiae and Mycoplasma).
M.O.A	<ul> <li>It inhibit protein synthesis by binding reversibly to 30-S subunit of the bacterial ribosome.</li> </ul>
P.K	<ul> <li>long acting</li> <li>Usually given orally</li> <li>Absorption is 90-100%</li> <li>Absorbed in the upper s.intestine &amp; best in absence of food</li> <li>Food &amp; di &amp; tri-valent cations ( Ca, Mg, Fe, AL) impair absorption it binds with Ca decreasing the absorption, patients should avoid dairy products</li> <li>Protein binding 40-80 %</li> <li>Distributed well, including CSF</li> <li>Cross placenta and excreted in milk contraindicated in pregnancy and breastfeeding, causes bone deformities in newborns</li> <li>Largely metabolized in the live</li> </ul>
ADR	<ul> <li>nausea, vomiting ,diarrhea &amp; epigastric pain (given with food that doesn't contain dairy products)</li> <li>Thrombophlebitis – I.V</li> <li>Hepatic toxicity ( prolonged therapy with high dose )</li> <li>Brown discolouration of teeth in children</li> <li>Deformity or growth inhibition of bones in children</li> <li>Phototoxicity in sun or light exposure</li> <li>Vertigo</li> <li>Superinfections.</li> </ul>
Contraindication	<ul> <li>pregnancy</li> <li>breastfeeding</li> <li>Children (below 10 years)</li> </ul>
Clinical uses	<ul> <li>Treatment of URTIs caused by S.pyogenes, S.pneumonia &amp; H.influenza.</li> </ul>

## QUIZ

#### **MCQs:**

1- Amongst those antibiotics that act by inhibiting protein synthesis, this drug are known to produce side effects related to drug interactions caused by inhibition of cytochrome P-450? A-Gentamicin B-Doxycycline C-Clarithromycin

2-Most of the upper respiratory tract infections are caused by? A-Viruses B-Bacteria C-Fungi

3-A 6 year old patient came to the hospital with his mother, he was presented with brown teeth discoloration after taking a medication to treat his upper respiratory tract infection. What could be the possible drug that is responsible for this discoloration? A-Doxycycline B-Cephalexin C-Ciprofloxacin

4-A pregnant woman came to the hospital and was diagnosed with legionella pneumonia, the doctor prescribed an antibiotic to treat her. What antibiotics is contraindicated in her condition? A-Clarithromycin B-Azithromycin C-Moxifloxacin

5-What type of cephalosporins is used for treatment of both upper and lower respiratory tract infections ?

A-Cephalexin B-Cefuroxime C-Cefotaxime

Answers: 1)C -2)A -3)A -4)C -5)B

### SAQ:

Q1.What is the drug that can be use in both LRTIs & URTIs ?

Q2.Mention 3 adverse effects of Cephalosporins ?

Q3.What drug is effective against G–ve bacteria only and suitable for treating acute exacerbation of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease?

Q4.Which antibiotic is consider as (Bacteriostatic) and (Bactericidal at high doses)?

Q5.Mention three antibiotics that commonly used in in the treatment of RTIs?

Q1.Penicillin

Q2. Hypersensitivity reactions - Thrombophlebitis - Superinfections - Diarrhea

Q3.Ciprofloxacin Q4.Macrolides

Q5.Beta-lactam antibiotics (Penicillins/ Cephalosporins) - Macrolides - Fluoroquinolones - Aminoglycosides - Doxycycline



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