MEDICATION GUIDE
Levofloxacin
(LEE-voe-FLOX-a-sin)
in 5% Dextrose Injection, for Intravenous Use

Read this Medication Guide before you start taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection and each time you get a refill. There may be new information. This Medication Guide does not take the place of talking to your healthcare provider about your medical condition or your treatment.

What is the most important information I should know about Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection? Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, a fluoroquinolone antibiotic, can cause serious side effects. Some of these serious side effects can happen at the same time and could result in death.

If you have any of the following serious side effects while you take Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, you should stop taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection and get medical help right away.

1. Tendon rupture or swelling of the tendon (tendinitis).

- **Tendon problems can happen in people of all ages who take Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection.** Tendons are tough cords of tissue that connect muscles to bones.

Some tendon problems include pain, swelling, tears, and swelling of tendons including the back of the ankle (Achilles), shoulder, hand, or other tendon sites.

- The risk of getting tendon problems while you take Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is higher if you:
  - are over 60 years of age
  - are taking steroids (corticosteroids)
  - have had a kidney, heart or lung transplant
- Tendon problems can happen in people who do not have the above risk factors when they take Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection.
- Other reasons that can increase your risk of tendon problems can include:
  - physical activity or exercise
  - kidney failure
  - tendon problems in the past, such as in people with rheumatoid arthritis (RA)
- Stop taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection immediately and get medical help right away at the first sign of tendon pain, swelling, or inflammation. Avoid exercise and using the affected area.

The most common area of pain and swelling is the Achilles tendon at the back of your ankle. This can also happen with other tendons. You may need a different antibiotic that is not a fluoroquinolone to treat your infection.

- Tendon rupture can happen while you are taking or after you have finished taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection. Tendon ruptures can happen within hours or days of taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection and have happened up to several months after people have finished taking their fluoroquinolone.
- Stop taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection immediately and get medical help right away if you get any of the following signs or symptoms of a tendon rupture:
  - hear or feel a snap or pop in a tendon area
  - bruising right after an injury in a tendon area
  - unable to move the affected area or bear weight

2. Changes in sensation and possible nerve damage (Peripheral Neuropathy).

Damage to the nerves in arms, hands, legs, or feet can happen in people who take fluoroquinolones, including Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection. Stop taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection immediately and talk to your healthcare provider right away if you get any of the following symptoms of peripheral neuropathy in your arms, hands, legs, or feet:

- pain
- burning
- tingling
- numbness
- weakness

The nerve damage may be permanent.

3. Central Nervous System (CNS) effects. Seizures have been reported in people who take fluoroquinolone antibacterial medicines, including Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection. Tell your healthcare provider if you have a history of seizures before you start taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection. CNS side effects may happen as soon as after taking the first dose of Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection. Stop taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection immediately and talk to your healthcare provider right away if you get any of these side effects, or other changes in mood or behavior:

- seizures
- hear voices, see things, or sense things that are not there (hallucinations)
- feel restless
- tremors
- feel anxious or nervous
- confusion
- depression
- trouble sleeping
- nightmares
- feel lightheaded or dizzy
- feel more suspicious (paranoia)
- suicidal thoughts or acts
- headaches that will not go away, with or without blurred vision

4. Worsening of myasthenia gravis (a problem that causes muscle weakness). Fluoroquinolones like Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection may cause worsening of myasthenia gravis symptoms, including muscle weakness and breathing problems. Tell your healthcare provider if you have a history of myasthenia gravis before you start taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection. Call your healthcare provider right away if you have any worsening muscle weakness or breathing problems.

What is Levofloxacin Injection?

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is a fluoroquinolone antibiotic medicine used in adults age 18 years or older to treat certain infections caused by certain germs called bacteria. These bacterial infections include:

- nosocomial pneumonia
- community-acquired pneumonia
- acute sinus infection
- acute worsening of chronic bronchitis
- skin infections, complicated and uncomplicated
- chronic prostate infection
- urinary tract infections, complicated and uncomplicated
- acute kidney infection (pyelonephritis)
- inhalational anthrax
- plague

Studies of Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection for use in the treatment of plague and anthrax were done in animals only, because plague and anthrax could not be studied in people.

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection should not be used in patients with uncomplicated urinary tract infections, acute bacterial exacerbation of chronic bronchitis, or acute bacterial sinusitis if there are other treatment options available.

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is also used to treat children who are 6 months of age or older and may have breathed in anthrax germs, have plague, or been exposed to plague germs.

It is not known if Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is safe and effective in children under 6 months of age.

The safety and effectiveness in children treated with Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection for more than 14 days is not known.

Who should not take Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection?

Do not take Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection if you have ever had a severe allergic reaction to an antibiotic known as a fluoroquinolone, or if you are allergic to levofloxacin or any of the ingredients in Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection. See the end of this leaflet for a complete list of ingredients in Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection.

What should I tell my healthcare provider before taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection?

Before you take Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, tell your healthcare provider if you:

- have tendon problems; Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection should not be used in patients who have a history of tendon problems
- have a problem that causes muscle weakness (myasthenia gravis); Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection should not be used in patients who have a known history of myasthenia gravis
- have central nervous system problems such as seizures (epilepsy)
- have nerve problems; Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection should not be used in patients who have a history of a nerve problem called peripheral neuropathy
- have or anyone in your family has an irregular heartbeat, especially a condition called "QT prolongation"
- have low blood potassium (hypokalemia)
- have bone problems
- have joint problems including rheumatoid arthritis (RA)
- have kidney problems. You may need a lower dose of Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection if your kidneys do not work well.
- have liver problems
- have diabetes or problems with low blood sugar (hypoglycemia)
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. It is not known if Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection will harm your unborn child.
- are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed. It is not known if Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection passes into your breast milk. You and your healthcare provider should decide if you will take Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection or breastfeed. You should not do both.

Tell your healthcare provider about all the medicines you take, including prescription and non-prescription medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements.

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection and other medicines can affect each other causing side effects.

Especially tell your healthcare provider if you take:

- a steroid medicine
- an anti-psychotic medicine
- a tricyclic antidepressant
- a water pill (diuretic)
- a blood thinner (warfarin, Coumadin, Jantoven)
- an oral anti-diabetes medicine or insulin
- an NSAID (Non-Steroidal Anti-inflammatory Drug). Many common medicines for pain relief are NSAIDs. Taking an NSAID while you take Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection or other fluoroquinolones may increase your risk of central nervous system effects and seizures.
- theophylline (Theo-24®, Elixophyllin®, Theochron®, Uniphyl®, Theolair®)
- a medicine to control your heart rate or rhythm (antiarrhythmics)

Ask your healthcare provider if you are not sure if any of your medicines are listed above.

Know the medicines you take. Keep a list of your medicines and show it to your healthcare provider and pharmacist when you get a new medicine.

HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

These highlights do not include all the information needed to use LEVOFLOXACIN IN 5% DEXTROSE INJECTION safely and effectively. See full prescribing information for LEVOFLOXACIN IN 5% DEXTROSE INJECTION.

LEVOFLOXACIN in 5% DEXTROSE injection, solution for intravenous use
Initial U.S. Approval: 1996

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See full prescribing information for complete boxed warning.

- **Fluoroquinolones, including Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, have been associated with disabling and potentially irreversible serious adverse reactions that have occurred together (5.1), including:**
  - **Tendinitis and tendon rupture (5.2)**
  - **Peripheral neuropathy (5.3)**
  - **Central nervous system effects (5.4)**

Discontinue Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection immediately and avoid the use of fluoroquinolones, including Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, in patients who experience any of these serious adverse reactions (5.1)

- **Fluoroquinolones, including Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, may exacerbate muscle weakness in patients with myasthenia gravis. Avoid Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection in patients with a known history of myasthenia gravis *[see Warnings and Precautions (5.6)]***
- **Because fluoroquinolones, including Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, have been associated with serious adverse reactions (5.1-5.15), reserve Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection for use in patients who have no alternative treatment options for the following indications:**
  - **Uncomplicated urinary tract infection (1.12)**
  - **Acute bacterial exacerbation of chronic bronchitis (1.13)**
  - **Acute bacterial sinusitis (1.14)**

To reduce the development of drug-resistant bacteria and maintain the effectiveness of Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection and other antibacterial drugs, Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection should be used only to treat or prevent infections that are proven or strongly suspected to be caused by bacteria.(1.15)

----------RECENT MAJOR CHANGES----------

Boxed Warning	06/2016
Indications and Usage (1)	06/2016
Dosage and Administration (2)	06/2016
Warnings and Precautions (5)	06/2016

----------INDICATIONS AND USAGE----------

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is a fluoroquinolone antibacterial indicated in adults (≥ 18 years of age) with infections caused by designated, susceptible bacteria (1, 12.4).

- Pneumonia: Nosocomial (1.1) and Community-Acquired (1.2, 1.3)
- Skin and Skin Structure Infections: Complicated (1.4) and Uncomplicated (1.5)
- Chronic Bacterial Prostatitis (1.6)
- Inhalational Anthrax, Post-Exposure (1.7)
- Plague (1.8)
- Urinary Tract Infections: Complicated (1.9, 1.10) and Uncomplicated (1.12)
- Acute Pyelonephritis (1.11)
- Acute Bacterial Exacerbation of Chronic Bronchitis (1.13)
- Acute Bacterial Sinusitis (1.14)

----------DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION----------

- Dosage in patients with normal renal function (2.1)

Type of Infection	Dose Every 24 hours	Duration (days)
Nosocomial Pneumonia (1.1)	750 mg	7 to 14
Community-Acquired Pneumonia (1.2)	500 mg	7 to 14
Community-Acquired Pneumonia (1.3)	750 mg	5
Complicated Skin and Skin Structure Infections (SSSI) (1.6)	750 mg	7 to 14
Uncomplicated SSSI (1.7)	500 mg	7 to 10
Chronic Bacterial Prostatitis (1.8)	500 mg	28
Inhalational Anthrax (Post-Exposure) (1.13)		
Adults and Pediatric Patients > 50 kg Pediatric Patients < 50 kg and ≥ 6 months of age	500 mg 8 mg/kg BID (not to exceed 250 mg/dose)	60 60
Plague (1.14)		
Adults and Pediatric Patients > 50 kg Pediatric Patients < 50 kg and ≥ 6 months of age	500 mg 8 mg/kg BID (not to exceed 250 mg/dose)	10 to 14 10 to 14
Complicated Urinary Tract Infection (1.9) or Acute Pyelonephritis (1.11)	750 mg	5
Complicated Urinary Tract Infection (1.10) or Acute Pyelonephritis (1.11)	250 mg	10
Uncomplicated Urinary Tract Infection (1.12)	250 mg	3
Acute Bacterial Exacerbation of Chronic Bronchitis (1.5)	500 mg	7
Acute Bacterial Sinusitis (1.4)	750 mg	5
	500 mg	10 to 14

- Adjust dose for creatinine clearance < 50 mL/min (2.3, 8.6, 12.3)
- IV Injection, Premix: Slow IV infusion only, over 60 or 90 minutes depending on dose. Avoid rapid or bolus IV (2.5)
- Do not mix with other medications in IV line (2.6)

----------DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS----------

Formulation (3)	Strength
Injection: premix single-use flexible containers	250 mg in 50 mL 500 mg in 100 mL 750 mg in 150 mL

----------CONTRAINDICATIONS----------

Known hypersensitivity to Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection or other quinolones (4, 5.7).

----------WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS----------

- Anaphylactic reactions and allergic skin reactions, serious, occasionally fatal, may occur after first dose (4. 5.7)
- Hematologic (including agranulocytosis, thrombocytopenia), and renal toxicities may occur after multiple doses (5.6)
- Hepatotoxicity: Severe, and sometimes fatal, hepatotoxicity has been reported. Discontinue immediately if signs and symptoms of hepatitis occur (5.8)
- *Clostridium difficile*-associated colitis: evaluate if diarrhea occurs (5.10)
- Prolongation of the QT interval and isolated cases of torsades de pointes have been reported. Avoid use in patients with known prolongation, those with hypokalemia, and with other drugs that prolong the QT interval (5.11, 8.5)

----------ADVERSE REACTIONS----------

The most common reactions (≥ 3%) were nausea, headache, diarrhea, insomnia, constipation and dizziness (6.2).

To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact Fresenius Kabi USA, LLC at 1-800-551-7176 or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or www.fda.gov/medwatch.

----------DRUG INTERACTIONS----------

Interacting Drug	Interaction
Multivalent cation-containing products including antacids, metal cations or didanosine	Absorption of levofloxacin is decreased when the tablet or oral solution formulation is taken within 2 hours of these products. Do not co-administer the intravenous formulation in the same IV line with a multivalent cation, e.g., magnesium (2.4, 7.1)
Warfarin	Effect may be enhanced. Monitor prothrombin time, INR, watch for bleeding (7.2)
Anti-diabetic agents	Carefully monitor blood glucose (5.13, 7.3)

----------USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS----------

- **Geriatrics:** Severe hepatotoxicity has been reported. The majority of reports describe patients 65 years of age or older (5.8, 8.5, 17). May have increased risk of tendinopathy (including rupture), especially with concomitant corticosteroid use (5.2, 8.5, 17). May be more susceptible to prolongation of the QT interval (5.11, 8.5, 17).
- **Pediatrics:** Musculoskeletal disorders (arthralgia, arthritis, tendinopathy, and gait abnormality) seen in more levofloxacin-treated patients than in comparator. Shown to cause arthropathy and osteochondrosis in juvenile animals (5.12, 8.4, 13.2). Safety in pediatric patients treated for more than 14 days has not been studied. Risk-benefit appropriate only for the treatment of inhalational anthrax (post-exposure) (1.7, 2.2, 8.4, 14.9) and plague (1.8, 2.2, 8.4, 14.10).

See 17 for PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION and Medication Guide.

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  - **Tendinitis and tendon rupture *[see Warnings and Precautions (5.2)]***
  - **Peripheral neuropathy *[see Warnings and Precautions (5.3)]***
  - **Central nervous system effects *[see Warnings and Precautions (5.4)]***

Discontinue Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection immediately and avoid the use of fluoroquinolones, including Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, in patients who experience any of these serious adverse reactions *[see Warnings and Precautions (5.1)]*

- **Fluoroquinolones, including Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, may exacerbate muscle weakness in patients with myasthenia gravis. Avoid Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection in patients with a known history of myasthenia gravis *[see Warnings and Precautions (5.6)]***
- **Because fluoroquinolones, including Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, have been associated with serious adverse reactions *[see Warnings and Precautions* (5.1-5.15)*]*, reserve Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection for use in patients who have no alternative treatment options for the following indications:**
  - **Uncomplicated urinary tract infection *[see Indications and Usage (1.12)]***
  - **Acute bacterial exacerbation of chronic bronchitis *[see Indications and Usage (1.13)]***
  - **Acute bacterial sinusitis *[see Indications and Usage (1.14)]***

1 INDICATIONS AND USAGE

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is indicated for the treatment of adults (≥ 18 years of age) with mild, moderate, and severe infections caused by susceptible isolates of the designated microorganisms in the conditions listed in this section. Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is indicated when intravenous administration offers a route of administration advantageous to the patient (e.g., patient cannot tolerate an oral dosage form).

1.1 Nosocomial Pneumonia

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is indicated for the treatment of nosocomial pneumonia due to methicillin-susceptible *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Serratia marcescens*, *Escherichia coli*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Haemophilus influenzae*, or *Streptococcus pneumoniae*. Adjunctive therapy should be used as clinically indicated. Where *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* is a documented or presumptive pathogen, combination therapy with an anti-pseudomonal β-lactam is recommended *[see Clinical Studies (14.1)]*.

1.2 Community-Acquired Pneumonia: 7 to 14 day Treatment Regimen

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is indicated for the treatment of community-acquired pneumonia due to methicillin-susceptible *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Streptococcus pneumoniae* (including multi-drug-resistant *Streptococcus pneumoniae* [MDRSP]), *Haemophilus influenzae*, *Haemophilus parainfluenzae*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Moraxella catarrhalis*, *Chlamydophila pneumoniae*, *Legionella pneumophila*, or *Mycoplasma pneumoniae [see Dosage and Administration (2.1) and Clinical Studies (14.2)]*.

MDRSP isolates are isolates resistant to two or more of the following antibacterials: penicillin (MIC ≥ 2 mcg/mL), 2nd generation cephalosporins, e.g., cefuroxime, macrolides, tetracyclines and trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole.

1.3 Community-Acquired Pneumonia: 5-day Treatment Regimen

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is indicated for the treatment of community-acquired pneumonia due to *Streptococcus pneumoniae* (excluding multi-drug-resistant isolates [MDRSP]), *Haemophilus influenzae*, *Haemophilus parainfluenzae*, *Mycoplasma pneumoniae*, or *Chlamydophila pneumoniae [see Dosage and Administration (2.1) and Clinical Studies (14.3)]*.

1.4 Complicated Skin and Skin Structure Infections

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is indicated for the treatment of complicated skin and skin structure infections due to methicillin-susceptible *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Enterococcus faecalis*, *Streptococcus pyogenes*, or *Proteus mirabilis [see Clinical Studies (14.5)]*.

1.5 Uncomplicated Skin and Skin Structure Infections

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is indicated for the treatment of uncomplicated skin and skin structure infections (mild to moderate) including abscesses, cellulitis, furuncles, impetigo, pyoderma, wound infections, due to methicillin-susceptible *Staphylococcus aureus*, or *Streptococcus pyogenes*.

1.6 Chronic Bacterial Prostatitis

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is indicated for the treatment of chronic bacterial prostatitis due to *Escherichia coli*, *Enterococcus faecalis*, or methicillin-susceptible *Staphylococcus epidermidis [see Clinical Studies (14.6)]*.

1.7 Inhalational Anthrax (Post-Exposure)

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is indicated for inhalational anthrax (post-exposure) to reduce the incidence or progression of disease following exposure to aerosolized *Bacillus anthracis*. The effectiveness of levofloxacin is based on plasma concentrations achieved in humans, a surrogate endpoint reasonably likely to predict clinical benefit. Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection has not been tested in humans for the post-exposure prevention of inhalation anthrax. The safety of Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection in adults for durations of therapy beyond 28 days or in pediatric patients for durations of therapy beyond 14 days has not been studied. Prolonged Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection therapy should only be used when the benefit outweighs the risk *[see Dosage and Administration (2.1, 2.2) and Clinical Studies (14.9)]*.

1.8 Plague

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is indicated for treatment of plague, including pneumonic and septicemic plague, due to *Yersinia pestis* (*Y. pestis*) and prophylaxis for plague in adults and pediatric patients, 6 months of age and older. Efficacy studies of Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection could not be conducted in humans with plague for ethical and feasibility reasons. Therefore, approval of this indication was based on an efficacy study conducted in animals *[see Dosage and Administration (2.1, 2.2) and Clinical Studies (14.10)]*.

1.9 Complicated Urinary Tract Infections: 5-day Treatment Regimen

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is indicated for the treatment of complicated urinary tract infections due to *Escherichia coli*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, or *Proteus mirabilis [see Clinical Studies (14.7)]*.

1.10 Complicated Urinary Tract Infections: 10-day Treatment Regimen

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is indicated for the treatment of complicated urinary tract infections (mild to moderate) due to *Enterococcus faecalis*, *Enterobacter cloacae*, *Escherichia coli*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Proteus mirabilis*, or *Pseudomonas aeruginosa [see Clinical Studies (14.8)]*.

1.11 Acute Pyelonephritis: 5 or 10-day Treatment Regimen

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is indicated for the treatment of acute pyelonephritis caused by *Escherichia coli*, including cases with concurrent bacteremia *[see Clinical Studies (14.7, 14.8)]*.

1.12 Uncomplicated Urinary Tract Infections

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is indicated for the treatment of uncomplicated urinary tract infections (mild to moderate) due to *Escherichia coli*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, or *Staphylococcus saprophyticus*.

Because fluoroquinolones, including Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, have been associated with serious adverse reactions *[see Warnings and Precautions (5.1-5.15)]* and for some patients uncomplicated urinary tract infection is self-limiting, reserve Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection for treatment of uncomplicated urinary tract infections in patients who have no alternative treatment options.

1.13 Acute Bacterial Exacerbation of Chronic Bronchitis

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is indicated for the treatment of acute bacterial exacerbation of chronic bronchitis (ABECB) due to methicillin-susceptible *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Streptococcus pneumoniae*, *Haemophilus influenzae*, *Haemophilus parainfluenzae*, or *Moraxella catarrhalis*.

Because fluoroquinolones, including Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, have been associated with serious adverse reactions *[see Warnings and Precautions (5.1-5.15)]* and for some patients ABECB is self-limiting, reserve levofloxacin for treatment of ABECB in patients who have no alternative treatment options.

1.14 Acute Bacterial Sinusitis: 5-day and 10 to 14 day Treatment Regimens

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is indicated for the treatment of acute bacterial sinusitis (ABS) due to *Streptococcus pneumoniae*, *Haemophilus influenzae*, or *Moraxella catarrhalis [see Clinical Studies (14.4)]*.

Because fluoroquinolones, including Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, have been associated with serious adverse reactions *[see Warnings and Precautions (5.1-5.15)]* and for some patients ABS is self-limiting, reserve Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection for treatment of ABS in patients who have no alternative treatment options.

1.15 Usage

To reduce the development of drug-resistant bacteria and maintain the effectiveness of Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection and other antibacterial drugs, Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection should be used only to treat or prevent infections that are proven or strongly suspected to be caused by susceptible bacteria. When culture and susceptibility information are available, they should be considered in selecting or modifying antibacterial therapy. In the absence of such data, local epidemiology and susceptibility patterns may contribute to the empiric selection of therapy.

Culture and susceptibility testing

Appropriate culture and susceptibility tests should be performed before treatment in order to isolate and identify organisms causing the infection and to determine their susceptibility to levofloxacin *[see Microbiology (12.4)]*. Therapy with Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, may be initiated before results of these tests are known; once results become available, appropriate therapy should be selected.

As with other drugs in this class, some isolates of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* may develop resistance fairly rapidly during treatment with levofloxacin. Culture and susceptibility testing performed periodically during therapy will provide information about the continued susceptibility of the pathogens to the antimicrobial agent and also the possible emergence of bacterial resistance.

2 DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

2.1 Dosage in Adult Patients with Normal Renal Function

The usual dose of Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is 250 mg or 500 mg administered by slow infusion over 60 minutes every 24 hours or 750 mg administered by slow infusion over 90 minutes every 24 hours, as indicated by infection and described in Table 1.

These recommendations apply to patients with creatinine clearance ≥ 50 mL/min. For patients with creatinine clearance < 50 mL/min, adjustments to the dosing regimen are required *[see Dosage and Administration (2.3)]*.

Table 1: Dosage in Adult Patients with Normal Renal Function (creatinine clearance ≥ 50 mL/min)

Type of Infection*	Dosed Every 24 hours	Duration (days)†
Nosocomial Pneumonia	750 mg	7 to 14
Community-Acquired Pneumonia‡	500 mg	7 to 14
Community-Acquired Pneumonia§	750 mg	5
Complicated Skin and Skin Structure Infections (SSSI)	750 mg	7 to 14
Uncomplicated SSSI	500 mg	7 to 10
Chronic Bacterial Prostatitis	500 mg	28
Inhalational Anthrax (Post-Exposure), adult and pediatric patients > 50 kg#,¶	500 mg	60‖
Pediatric patients < 50 kg and ≥ 6 months of age#,¶	see Table 2 below (2.2)	60‖
Plague, adult and pediatric patients > 50 kg¶	500 mg	10 to 14
Pediatric patients < 50 kg and ≥ 6 months of age	see Table 2 below (2.2)	10 to 14
Complicated Urinary Tract Infection (cUTI) or Acute Pyelonephritis (AP)¶	750 mg	5
Complicated Urinary Tract Infection (cUTI) or Acute Pyelonephritis (AP)¶	250 mg	10
Uncomplicated Urinary Tract Infection	250 mg	3
Acute Bacterial Exacerbation of Chronic Bronchitis (ABECB)	500 mg	7
Acute Bacterial Sinusitis (ABS)	750 mg	5
	500 mg	10 to 14

* Due to the designated pathogens *[see Indications and Usage (1)]*.
† Sequential therapy (intravenous to oral) may be instituted at the discretion of the physician.
‡ Due to methicillin-susceptible *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Streptococcus pneumoniae* (including multi-drug-resistant isolates [MDRSP]), *Haemophilus influenzae*, *Haemophilus parainfluenzae*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Moraxella catarrhalis*, *Chlamydophila pneumoniae*, *Legionella pneumophila*, or *Mycoplasma pneumoniae [see Indications and Usage (1.2)]*.
§ Due to *Streptococcus pneumoniae* (excluding multi-drug-resistant isolates [MDRSP]), *Haemophilus influenzae*, *Haemophilus parainfluenzae*, *Mycoplasma pneumoniae*, or *Chlamydophila pneumoniae [see Indications and Usage (1.3)]*.
¶ This regimen is indicated for cUTI due to *Escherichia coli*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Proteus mirabilis* and AP due to *E. coli*, including cases with concurrent bacteremia.
# This regimen is indicated for cUTI due to *Enterococcus faecalis*, *Enterococcus cloacae*, *Escherichia coli*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Proteus mirabilis*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*; and for AP due to *E. coli*.
Þ Drug administration should begin as soon as possible after suspected or confirmed exposure to aerosolized *B. anthracis*. This indication is based on a surrogate endpoint. Levofloxacin plasma concentrations achieved in humans are reasonably likely to predict clinical benefit *[see Clinical Studies (14.9)]*.
ß The safety of levofloxacin in adults for durations of therapy beyond 28 days or in pediatric patients for durations beyond 14 days has not been studied. An increased incidence of musculoskeletal adverse events compared to controls has been observed in pediatric patients *[see Warnings and Precautions (5.12), Use in Specific Populations (8.4) and Clinical Studies (14.9)]*. Prolonged levofloxacin therapy should only be used when the benefit outweighs the risk.
ǂ Drug administration should begin as soon as possible after suspected or confirmed exposure to *Yersinia pestis*. Higher doses of levofloxacin typically used for treatment of pneumonia can be used for treatment of plague, if clinically indicated.

2.2 Dosage in Pediatric Patients

The dosage in pediatric patients ≥ 6 months of age is described below in Table 2.

Table 2: Dosage in Pediatric Patients ≥ 6 months of age

Type of Infection*	Dose	Freq. Once Every	Duration†
Inhalational Anthrax (post-exposure)‖, ‡			
Pediatric patients > 50 kg	500 mg	24 hr	60 days‡
Pediatric patients < 50 kg and ≥ 6 months of age	8 mg/kg (not to exceed 250 mg per dose)	12 hr	60 days‡
Plague§			
Pediatric patients > 50 kg	500 mg	24 hr	10 to 14 days
Pediatric patients < 50 kg and ≥ 6 months of age	8 mg/kg (not to exceed 250 mg per dose)	12 hr	10 to 14 days

* Due to *Bacillus anthracis [see Indications and Usage (1.13)]* and *Yersinia pestis [see Indications and Usage (1.14)]*.
† Sequential therapy (intravenous to oral) may be instituted at the discretion of the physician.
‡ Drug administration should begin as soon as possible after suspected or confirmed exposure to aerosolized *B. anthracis*. This indication is based on a surrogate end

How should I take Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection?

- Take Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection exactly as your healthcare provider tells you to take it.
- Take Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection at about the same time each day.
- Drink plenty of fluids while you take Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection.
- If you miss a dose of Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, take it as soon as you remember. Do not take more than 1 dose in 1 day.
- Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is given by slow intravenous (IV) infusion into your vein over 60 or 90 minutes as prescribed by your healthcare provider.
- Do not skip any doses of Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection or stop taking it, even if you begin to feel better, until you finish your prescribed treatment unless:
  - you have tendon problems. See **"What is the most important information I should know about Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection?"**.
  - you have a nerve problem. See **"What are the possible side effects of Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection?"**.
  - you have a central nervous system problem. See **"What are the possible side effects of Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection?"**.
  - you have a serious allergic reaction. See **"What are the possible side effects of Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection?"**.
  - your healthcare provider tells you to stop taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection.

Taking all of your Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection doses will help make sure that all of the bacteria are killed. Taking all of your Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection doses will help you lower the chance that the bacteria will become resistant to Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection. If your infection does not get better while you take Levofloxacin in 5 % Dextrose Injection, it may mean that the bacteria causing your infection may be resistant to Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection. If your infection does not get better, call your healthcare provider. If your infection does not get better, Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection and other similar antibiotic medicines may not work for you in the future.

- If you take too much Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, call your healthcare provider or get medical help right away.

What should I avoid while taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection?

- Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection can make you feel dizzy and lightheaded. Do not drive, operate machinery, or do other activities that require mental alertness or coordination until you know how Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection affects you.
- Avoid sunlamps, tanning beds, and try to limit your time in the sun. Levofloxacin 5% Dextrose Injection can make your skin sensitive to the sun (photosensitivity) and the light from sunlamps and tanning beds. You could get severe sunburn, blisters or swelling of your skin. If you get any of these symptoms while you take Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, call your healthcare provider right away. You should use a sunscreen and wear a hat and clothes that cover your skin if you have to be in sunlight.

What are the possible side effects of Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection?

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection can cause serious side effects, including:

- See **"What is the most important information I should know about Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection?"**
- **Serious allergic reactions**
  Allergic reactions can happen in people taking fluoroquinolones, including Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, even after only 1 dose. Stop taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection and get emergency medical help right away if you have any of the following symptoms of a severe allergic reaction:
  - hives
  - trouble breathing or swallowing
  - swelling of the lips, tongue, face
  - throat tightness, hoarseness
  - rapid heartbeat
  - faint
  - skin rash
  Skin rash may happen in people taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, even after only 1 dose. Stop taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection at the first sign of a skin rash and call your healthcare provider. Skin rash may be a sign of a more serious reaction to Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection.
- **Liver damage (hepatotoxicity):** Hepatotoxicity can happen in people who take Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection. Call your healthcare provider right away if you have unexplained symptoms such as:
  - nausea or vomiting
  - stomach pain
  - fever
  - weakness
  - abdominal pain or tenderness
  - itching
  - unusual tiredness
  - loss of appetite
  - light colored bowel movements
  - dark colored urine
  - yellowing of your skin or the whites of your eyes

Stop taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection and tell your healthcare provider right away if you have yellowing of your skin or white part of your eyes, or if you have dark urine. These can be signs of a serious reaction to Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection (a liver problem).

- **Aortic aneurysm and dissection**
  Tell your healthcare provider if you have ever been told that you have an aortic aneurysm, a swelling of the large artery that carries blood from the heart to the body. Get emergency medical help right away if you have sudden chest, stomach, or back pain.

- **Intestine infection (Pseudomembranous colitis)**
  Pseudomembranous colitis can happen with many antibiotics, including Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection. Call your healthcare provider right away if you get watery diarrhea, diarrhea that does not go away, or bloody stools. You may have stomach cramps and a fever. Pseudomembranous colitis can happen 2 or more months after you have finished your antibiotic.

- **Serious heart rhythm changes (QT prolongation and torsades de pointes)**
  Tell your healthcare provider right away if you have a change in your heartbeat (a fast or irregular heartbeat), or if you faint. Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection may cause a rare heart problem known as prolongation of the QT interval. This condition can cause an abnormal heartbeat and can be very dangerous. The chances of this happening are higher in people:
  - who are elderly
  - with a family history of prolonged QT interval
  - with low blood potassium (hypokalemia)
  - who take certain medicines to control heart rhythm (antiarrhythmics)

- **Joint Problems**
  Increased chance of problems with joints and tissues around joints in children can happen. Tell your child's healthcare provider if your child has any joint problems during or after treatment with Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection.

- **Changes in blood sugar**
  People who take Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection and other fluoroquinolone medicines with oral anti-diabetes medicines or with insulin can get low blood sugar (hypoglycemia) and high blood sugar (hyperglycemia). Follow your healthcare provider's instructions for how often to check your blood sugar. If you have diabetes and you get low blood sugar while taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, stop taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection and call your healthcare provider right away. Your antibiotic medicine may need to be changed.

- **Sensitivity to sunlight (photosensitivity)**
  See **"What should I avoid while taking Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection?"**
  The most common side effects of Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection include:
  - nausea
  - headache
  - diarrhea
  - insomnia
  - constipation
  - dizziness

In children 6 months and older who take Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection to treat anthrax disease or plague, vomiting is also common.

Low blood pressure can happen when Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection is given too fast by IV injection. Tell your healthcare provider if you feel dizzy or faint during a treatment with Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection.

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection may cause false-positive urine screening results for opiates when testing is done with some commercially available kits. A positive result should be confirmed using a more specific test.

These are not all the possible side effects of Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection. Tell your healthcare provider about any side effect that bothers you or that does not go away. Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

How should I store Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection?
Store at 20° to 25°C (68° to 77°F) [see USP Controlled Room Temperature]. Avoid excessive heat and protect from freezing and light.

Keep Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection and all medicines out of the reach of children.

General Information about the safe and effective use of Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection

Medicines are sometimes prescribed for purposes other than those listed in a Medication Guide. Do not use Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection for a condition for which it is not prescribed. Do not give Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection to other people, even if they have the same symptoms that you have. It may harm them.

This Medication Guide summarizes the most important information about Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection. If you would like more information about Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection, talk with your healthcare provider. You can ask your healthcare provider or pharmacist for information about Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection that is written for healthcare professionals.

For more information call Fresenius Kabi USA, LLC at 1-800-551-7176.

What are the ingredients in Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection?

Levofloxacin in 5% Dextrose Injection Premix in Single-Use Flexible Containers:

Active ingredient: levofloxacin

Inactive ingredients: Dextrose (D5W). Solutions of hydrochloric acid and sodium hydroxide may have been added to adjust the pH.

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