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Summary of investigation results Azithromycin hydrate

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Non-proprietary name

Azithromycin hydrate

Brand name (Marketing authorization holder)

- a. Zithromax Tablets 250 mg (Pfizer Japan Inc.) and the others
- b. Zithromax Tablets 600 mg (Pfizer Japan Inc.)
- c. Zithromax Capsules for Pediatric Use 100 mg and Zithromax Fine Granules for Pediatric Use 10% (Pfizer Japan Inc.) and the others
- d. Zithromax SR Dry Syrup 2g (Pfizer Japan Inc.)
- e. Zithromax Intravenous Use 500 mg (Pfizer Japan Inc.)

Indications

See Attachment

Summary of revision

"Acute generalized exanthematous pustulosis" should be added in the Clinically Significant Adverse Reactions section.

Background of the revision and investigation results

Cases of "Acute generalized exanthematous pustulosis" have been reported in patients treated with azithromycin hydrate both in Japan and overseas. In addition, the company core data sheet (CCDS) has been revised. Following investigation results based on opinions of the expert advisors and the available evidence, the MHLW/PMDA concluded that the revision of the package insert was necessary.

The number of reported adverse reactions and fatal cases in the last 3 fiscal years in Japan



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A case of acute generalized exanthematous pustulosis has been reported (a causal relationship to the product could not be ruled out for this patient). No fatality has been reported.



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Product	Launched in	Indications
	Japan	
a.	June 2000	<applicable microorganisms=""></applicable>
		Azithromycin hydrate-susceptible strains of genus
		Staphylococcus, genus Streptococcus, genus
		Pneumococcus, Neisseria gonorrhoeae, Moraxella
		(Branhamella) catarrhalis, Haemophilus influenzae, Legionella
		pneumophila, genus Peptostreptococcus, genus Prevotella,
		genus Chlamydia, and genus Mycoplasma
		<applicable conditions=""></applicable>
		Deep-seated skin infections, lymphangitis/lymphadenitis,
		pharyngitis/laryngitis, tonsillitis (including peritonsillitis and
		peritonsillar abscess), acute bronchitis, pneumonia, lung
		abscess, secondary infection of chronic respiratory lesions,
		urethritis, cervicitis, pelvic inflammatory disease, sinusitis,
		periodontal inflammation, pericoronitis, and jaw inflammation
b.	January 2002	<applicable microorganisms=""></applicable>
		Mycobacterium avium complex (MAC)
		<applicable conditions=""></applicable>
		Inhibition and treatment of disseminated Mycobacterium
		avium complex (MAC) disease associated with acquired
		immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS)
C.	June 2000	<applicable microorganisms=""></applicable>
	(capsules)	Azithromycin hydrate-susceptible strains of genus
	September	Staphylococcus, genus Streptococcus, genus
	2009 (fine	Pneumococcus, Moraxella (Branhamella) catarrhalis,
	granules for	Haemophilus influenzae, Chlamydia pneumoniae, and genus
	pediatric use)	Mycoplasma
		<applicable conditions=""></applicable>
		Pharyngitis/laryngitis, tonsillitis (including peritonsillitis,
		peritonsillar abscess), acute bronchitis, pneumonia, lung
		abscess, and otitis media



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d.	April 2009	<applicable microorganisms=""></applicable>
		Azithromycin hydrate-susceptible strains of genus
		Staphylococcus, genus Streptococcus, genus
		Pneumocossus, Neisseria gonorrhoeae, Moraxella
		(Branhamella) catarrhalis, Haemophilus influenzae, genus
		Peptostreptococcus, genus Chlamydia, and genus
		Mycoplasma
		<applicable conditions=""></applicable>
		Deep-seated skin infections, lymphangitis/lymphadenitis,
		pharyngitis/laryngitis, tonsillitis (including peritonsillitis and
		peritonsillar abscess), acute bronchitis, pneumonia, lung
		abscess, secondary infection of chronic respiratory lesions,
		urethritis, cervicitis, sinusitis, periodontal inflammation,
		pericoronitis, and jaw inflammation
e.	December	<applicable microorganisms=""></applicable>
	2011	Azithromycin-susceptible strains of genus Staphylococcus,
		genus Streptococcus, genus Pneumococcus, Neisseria
		gonorrhoeae, Moraxella (Branhamella) catarrhalis,
		Haemophilus influenzae, Legionella pneumophila, genus
		Peptostreptococcus, genus Prevotella, genus Chlamydia, and
		genus <i>Mycoplasma</i>
		<applicable conditions=""></applicable>
		Pneumonia and pelvic inflammatory disease