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Revision of Precautions Azithromycin hydrate

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Non-proprietary name

Azithromycin hydrate

Safety measure

Precautions should be revised in the package insert.

In the Clinically significant adverse reaction subsection of the Adverse Reaction section, the following text should be added (underlined parts are revised):

Drug-induced hypersensitivity syndrome (DIHS):

Rash and/or pyrexia may occur as initial symptoms, followed by serious late-onset hypersensitivity symptoms with hepatic function disorder, lymphadenopathy, increased white blood cells, increased eosinophils, atypical lymphocytes, etc. Patients should be carefully monitored. If such symptoms are observed, administration of this drug should be discontinued and appropriate measures should be adopted. The reactivation of viruses including Human Herpes Virus 6 (HHV-6) has been frequently found associated with DIHS. Symptoms such as rash, pyrexia, and/or hepatic function disorder may relapse or be prolonged even after discontinuation of administration, and therefore, caution should be exercised.

Reference

Manuals for management of individual serious adverse drug reaction - Drug-induced hypersensitivity syndrome (Ministry of Health, Labour, and Welfare)