AZITHROMYCIN (for chlamydia)

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What does it do?

Azithromycin is an antibiotic used to treat chlamydia.

Before you start

- Tell your doctor if you have heart or liver problems.
- Tell your doctor if you are pregnant, planning to become pregnant, or breastfeeding.
- Your doctor may do a heart test (ECG) before you start and while you are taking *azithromycin*.

How should you take it?

Take 2 *azithromycin* 500 mg tablets as directed with a glass of water. It is important to take both the tablets together at the same time. You can take them with or without food.

Can you take other medicines?

Tell your pharmacist or doctor about all medicines or treatments that you may be taking, including vitamins, herbal products or recreational drugs.

What side effects might you notice?

Most people do not notice any side effects when taking *azithromycin* for chlamydia.

Side Effects	Recommended action
Fast or irregular heartbeat, fainting Symptoms of liver problems including: yellow skin or eyes, itching, dark urine, pale bowel motions, abdominal pain	Tell your doctor immediately
Severe or persistent diarrhoea, abdominal pain Hearing loss, ringing in the ears	Tell your doctor
Stomach upset Changes in taste	Tell your doctor if troublesome

If you notice any other effects, discuss them with your doctor or pharmacist.

Other information:

- Your recent sexual partners will also need treatment.