

Quinolone/Cipro (Ofloxin, Floxin, Ciprofloxacin)

What is it?

This medication is an antibiotic used to treat bacterial infections.

Inform your provider if:

- You are pregnant, trying to become pregnant, or breastfeeding.
- You have ever had an allergic reaction to this medication or a related medication (such as Cinobac, NegGram, or Noroxin) in the past.
- You have a central nervous system (CNS) disorder, liver disease, or kidney disease.
- You are taking corticosteroids or quinolones.
- If you are under 18 years old.
- If you taking any type of antacid which contains aluminum or magnesium.

Use:

- This medication is taken orally (by mouth).
- Continue to take this medication as prescribed, even if you start to feel better.
- Do not miss doses. If you miss a dose, take that dose as soon as possible. Do not double dose.
- Do not take antacids at the same time as Cipro; take the antacids 2 hours before or after you take the cipro.
- Drinking extra water during the day will help to prevent side effects.
- It is okay to take Cipro with meals.
- Some people taking Cipro will become more sensitive to sunlight; avoid exposure to sunlight when possible while taking this medication.

Side effects:

- Dizziness
- Nausea or vomiting
- Stomach pain
- Diarrhea
- Trouble sleeping
- Headache
- Nervousness
- Lightheadedness

Call your provider immediately if you have:

- Fever
- Swelling of the face or neck
- Shakiness
- Restlessness
- Redness, itching or skin rash
- Hallucinations (seeing, hearing, or feeling things that are not there)
- Trouble breathing
- Confusion
- Mood changes

Things to remember with any medication:

- Keep medications away from children.
- Store medications in a cool, dark, dry environment.
- Throw away medicine that is outdated.
- Take medicine as prescribed.