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Effectiveness of Cefixime for the Treatment of *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* Infection at 3 Anatomic Sites: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

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- The Centres for Disease Control and Prevention recommends a single oral dose of Cefixime as an alternative to injectable Ceftriaxone to treat Neisseria gonorrhoeae infection.
- The present study is a meta-analysis of 20 studies evaluating the efficacy of single oral dose of Cefixime.
- Cefixime as a single dose of 400 mg was effective in curing patients with urogenital (97%), rectal (97%) and pharyngeal (89%) infections.
- A single dose of Cefixime 800 mg was effective in treating 98% and 81% of patients with urogenital and pharyngeal infections, respectively

At both single 400- and single 800-mg doses, Cefixime is more effective at treating urogenital infections.

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