



# BIAXIN

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Clarithromycin

## DRUG USES

Biaxin, also known by its generic name clarithromycin, is an antibiotic medication that belongs to the macrolide class. It is primarily used to treat various bacterial infections in the body. Here are some common uses of Biaxin:

**Respiratory Infections:** Biaxin is frequently prescribed to treat respiratory tract infections such as bronchitis, pneumonia, and sinusitis. It can effectively target bacteria that cause these infections.

**Skin Infections:** Biaxin can be used to treat certain skin infections caused by bacteria, including cellulitis and impetigo.

**Ear Infections:** It is sometimes prescribed for ear infections, particularly when the infection is caused by bacteria like *Streptococcus pneumoniae* or *Haemophilus influenzae*.

**Strep Throat:** Biaxin can be used to treat streptococcal throat infections, including strep throat, which is caused by *Streptococcus pyogenes*.

**Gastric Conditions:** In combination with other medications, Biaxin is sometimes used to treat *Helicobacter pylori* infections, which are associated with conditions like peptic ulcers and gastritis.

**Mycobacterial Infections:** Biaxin can be part of a treatment regimen for certain mycobacterial infections, such as *Mycobacterium avium* complex (MAC) infections, in patients with compromised immune systems (such as those with HIV/AIDS).

**Lyme Disease:** In some cases, Biaxin may be prescribed to treat Lyme disease, a tick-borne bacterial infection caused by *Borrelia burgdorferi*.

**Dental Infections:** Biaxin can be used to treat certain dental infections caused by bacteria.

**Preventive Measures:** Biaxin might also be used in some cases as a preventive measure before dental procedures or surgical interventions for individuals with certain heart conditions to prevent bacterial endocarditis.