



VAXIGRIP TETRA®

Overview

Vaxigrip Tetra® is indicated for active immunisation of adults and children from 6 months of age and older for the prevention of influenza disease caused by the two influenza A virus subtypes and the two influenza B virus types contained in the vaccine.¹

Why choose Vaxigrip Tetra®?

Vaxigrip Tetra®, as a quadrivalent influenza vaccine, offers broader protection against influenza as compared to trivalent influenza vaccines.¹

Who can receive this vaccine?

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What presentations are available?

0.5 ml of suspension in pre-filled syringe (type I glass) with attached needle, equipped with a plunger stopper (elastomer chlorobutyl or bromobutyl) – box of 1 or 10

0.5 ml of suspension in pre-filled syringe (type I glass) without needle, equipped with a plunger stopper (elastomer chlorobutyl or bromobutyl) – box of 1 or 10

What is the recommended dosage?

Adults¹

- One dose of 0.5 ml

Paediatric Population¹

- Children from 6 months to 17 years of age: one dose of 0.5 ml
- For children less than 9 years of age who have not previously been vaccinated, a second dose of 0.5 ml should be given after an interval of at least 4 weeks.

How should the vaccine be administered?

Intramuscular or subcutaneous injection.¹

The recommended sites for intramuscular injection are the anterolateral aspect of the thigh (or the deltoid muscle if muscle mass is adequate) in children 6 months through 35 months of age, or the deltoid muscle in children from 36

months of age and adults.¹

Can Vaxigrip Tetra® be concomitantly administered with other vaccines?

No interaction studies have been performed with Vaxigrip Tetra®.¹

Vaxigrip Tetra® can be given at the same time as other vaccines, based on clinical experience with Vaxigrip. Separate injection sites and separate needles should be used in case of concomitant administration.¹

How frequently should the vaccine be given?

Based on clinical experience with trivalent vaccine, annual revaccination with influenza vaccine is recommended given the duration of immunity provided by the vaccine and because circulating strains of influenza virus might change from year to year.¹

What are the most common adverse reactions?

Most reactions usually occurred within the first 3 days following vaccination, resolved spontaneously within 1 to 3 days after onset. The intensity of these reactions was mild.

The most frequently reported adverse reaction after vaccination, in all populations including the whole group of children from 6 to 35 months of age, was injection site pain. Other adverse reactions include irritability, malaise, headache, myalgia, injection site swelling, injection site erythema, injection site induration, appetite loss, crying abnormal, vomiting and drowsiness.¹

Can a woman get Vaxigrip Tetra® vaccination during pregnancy?

Vaxigrip Tetra® can be used in all stages of pregnancy.

Larger datasets on safety of inactivated influenza vaccines are available for the second and third trimester, compared with the first trimester; however, data from worldwide use of inactivated influenza vaccines, including Vaxigrip (trivalent inactivated influenza vaccine), do not indicate any adverse foetal and maternal outcomes attributable to the vaccine.¹

Are there any contraindications?

Hypersensitivity to the active substances, to any of the excipients (i.e. sodium chloride, potassium chloride, disodium phosphate dihydrate, potassium dihydrogen phosphate) or to any component that may be present as traces such as eggs (ovalbumin, chicken proteins), neomycin, formaldehyde and octoxinol-9. Vaccination should be postponed in case of moderate or severe febrile disease or acute disease.¹

How does the vaccine work?

Vaxigrip Tetra® provides active immunisation against four influenza virus strains (two A subtypes and two B types) contained in the vaccine. The split virion, inactivated vaccine induces antibodies within 2 to 3 weeks, neutralising influenza viruses.¹

How should the vaccine be stored?

In a refrigerator at 2° - 8°C. Do not freeze.¹

Find out more info on patient awareness campaign below:

Act of Love Campaign :

<https://vaccinationisprotection.sanofi.com.my/homepage-area-logged/act-of-love>

Travellers' Campaign

<https://vaccinationisprotection.sanofi.com.my/homepage-area-logged/traveller>

Reference:

1. VaxigripTetra® full prescribing information. Date of revision: July 2020 (NH 2020/2021).