

About Use of Tamiflu

1. What is Tamiflu?

Oseltamivir (known by trade name as Tamiflu) is an antiviral drug which can kill viruses or inhibits their replication. Evidence so far shows that Tamiflu remains as an effective chemoprophylaxis and treatment against human swine influenza.

2. Who should not take Tamiflu?

People who have previous hypersensitivity reactions to Tamiflu should not take the drug. If you are pregnant, breast feeding or have a history of kidney diseases, you should seek opinion from your doctor before taking the drugs.

3. What are the common side effects of Tamiflu?

The side effects of Tamiflu are usually mild and include nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, bronchitis and dizziness. Taking the drugs after meal may reduce the gastrointestinal symptoms.

4. What should I do if I develop side effects after taking the drug?

If you feel unwell after taking Tamiflu, please stop taking the drug and seek medical attention right away.

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