

UTI antibiotic guidance has changed

1st line Nitrofurantoin

2nd Line options:

- Trimethoprim - if low risk of resistance
- Ciprofloxacin suspected pyelonephritis
- Co-amoxiclav <75years
- Pivmecillinam >75y

Use UTI dip stick testing only to rule out infection

URINARY TRACT INFECTIONS – refer to PHE UTI guidance for diagnosis information			
As <i>E. coli</i> bacteraemia in the community is increasing ALWAYS safety net and consider risks for resistance ^{1C}			
UTI in adults (no fever or flank pain) PHE URINE	Treat women with severe/or ≥ 3 symptoms; ^{1, 2A, 3C} women mild/or ≤ 2 symptoms AND Urine NOT cloudy 97% negative predictive value, do not treat unless other risk factors for infection. If cloudy urine use dipstick to guide treatment.	Nitrofurantoin ^{8B+, 9C, 10B+} Trimethoprim ^{7B+} Pivmecillinam ^{13, 21, 22, 29, 30A} (400mg if resistance risk) <i>If organism susceptible:</i> amoxicillin ^{14B+}	100mg m/r BD ^{11C} 200mg BD 200mg TDS ^{13, 29, 30A} 400mg TDS ¹³ 500mg TDS
SIGN	Nitrite plus blood or leucocytes has 92% positive predictive value; nitrite, leucocytes, blood all negative 76% NPV. ^{4A-}		} Women all ages 3 days ^{2, 12, 13A+} Men 7 days ^{1, 5C}
CKS women,	Consider a back-up / delayed antibiotic option. ^{20A}		
CKS men			
RCGP UTI clinical module	Men: Consider prostatitis and send pre-treatment MSU ^{1, 5C} OR if symptoms mild/non-specific, use negative dipstick to exclude UTI. ^{6C} Always safety net.		
SAPG UTI	First line: nitrofurantoin if GFR <u>over</u> 45ml/min. ²⁴⁻⁵ GFR 30-45: only use if resistance & no alternative. <i>In treatment failure:</i> always perform culture. ^{1B}		
			Use nitrofurantoin first line as general resistance and community multi-resistant. Extended-spectrum Beta-lactamase <i>E. coli</i> are increasing. Trimethoprim (if low risk of resistance) and pivmecillinam are alternative first line agents. Risk factors for increased resistance include: care home resident, recurrent UTI, hospitalisation >7d in the last 6 months, unresolving urinary symptoms, recent travel to a country with increased antimicrobial resistance (outside Northern Europe and Australasia) especially health related, previous known UTI resistant to trimethoprim, cephalosporins or quinolones. ¹⁹ If increased resistance risk, send culture for susceptibility testing & give safety net advice. If GFR <45 ml/min or elderly consider pivmecillinam 400mg TDS ^{2, 13, 21, 5} or fosfomycin (3g stat in women ^{15, 16B, 17A} plus 2 nd 3g dose in men 3 days later). ¹⁸

See <http://www.herefordshireccg.nhs.uk/antibiotics-and-prescribing-guidelines>

Why pivmecillinam in UTI in >75y?

- Highly concentrated in the urine
- Well tolerated, can be given in impaired renal function
- Works where resistance to other antibiotics due to β-lactamase stability. Local urinary isolates are sensitive to: 97% pivmecillinam, 96% nitrofurantoin, 87% co-amoxiclav, 68% trimethoprim
- Lab will report pivmecillinam patients >75 and if the isolate is resistant to other agents
- Low risk of widespread clinical resistance developing
- Minimal effect on gut and vaginal flora so mainly used in >75y to minimise the risk of C diff
- Wide experience and use in Nordic countries
- Pivmecillinam 200mg TDS, 3 days women (£4.86) & 7 days men (£7.56)
- Available in all community pharmacies and dispensaries and via OOH services

More information <http://jac.oxfordjournals.org/content/early/2013/09/24/jac.dkt368.full.pdf+html>

Remember UTI dip stick testing is only for ruling out UTI

- A **negative urinalysis** effectively **rules out UTI** (negative predictive value 100%).
- A positive urinalysis is false in up to 50% of cases, i.e. does not reliably confirm the diagnosis