DBL™ Zinc Chloride Injection

Consumer Medicine Information (CMI) summary

The <u>full CMI</u> on the next page has more details. If you are worried about using this medicine, speak to your doctor or pharmacist.

1. Why am I being treated with DBL Zinc Chloride Injection?

DBL Zinc Chloride Injection contains the active ingredient zinc chloride. DBL Zinc Chloride Injection is used to prevent and treat zinc deficiency.

For more information, see Section 1. Why am I being treated with DBL Zinc Chloride? in the full CMI.

2. What should I know before treatment with DBL Zinc Chloride Injection?

Do not use if you have ever had an allergic reaction to DBL Zinc Chloride Injection or any of the ingredients listed at the end of the CMI.

Talk to your doctor if you have any other medical conditions, including problems with your kidneys, take any other medicines, or are pregnant or plan to become pregnant or are breastfeeding.

For more information, see Section <u>2. What should I know before treatment with DBL Zinc Chloride Injection?</u> in the full CMI.

3. What if I am taking other medicines?

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking any other medicines.

For more information, see Section 3. What if I am taking other medicines? in the full CMI.

4. 4. How is DBL Zinc Chloride Injection given?

DBL Zinc Chloride Injection is given through slow infusion "drip" into a vein by your doctor or nurse over a sustained period of time.

More instructions can be found in Section <u>4. How is DBL</u> <u>Zinc Chloride Injection given?</u> in the full CMI.

5. What should I know during treatment with DBL Zinc Chloride Injection?

Things you should do

 Remind any doctor, dentist or pharmacist you visit that you are being treated with DBL Zinc Chloride Injection.

	 Keep all of your doctor's appointments and attend any tests as directed, as treatment with DBL Zinc Chloride Injection requires your doctor to monitor your blood.
Things you should not do	 Do not take any other medicines whether they require a prescription or not without first telling your doctor or consulting with a pharmacist
Driving or using machines	 Do not drive, operate machinery or do anything else that could be dangerous until you know how DBL Zinc Chloride Injection affects you.
Drinking alcohol	No information is available.

For more information, see Section <u>5. What should I know during treatment with DBL Zinc Chloride Injection?</u> in the full CMI.

6. Are there any side effects?

Side effects of this medicine may include anaemia (tiredness and weakness, headaches, dizziness, being short of breath when exercising and looking pale) and copper deficiency (anaemia, tingling and loss of sensation in the feet and hands; muscle weakness; confusion, irritability, and mild depression; impaired coordination; increased infections; weak and brittle bones).

For more information, including what to do if you have any side effects, see Section <u>6. Are there any side</u> effects? in the full CMI.

DBL™ Zinc Chloride Injection

Active ingredient(s): zinc chloride

Consumer Medicine Information (CMI)

This leaflet provides important information about using DBL Zinc Chloride Injection. You should also speak to your doctor or pharmacist if you would like further information or if you have any concerns or questions about using DBL Zinc Chloride Injection.

Where to find information in this leaflet:

- 1. Why am I being treated with DBL Zinc Chloride?
- 2. What should I know before treatment with DBL Zinc Chloride Injection?
- 3. What if I am taking other medicines?
- 4. How is DBL Zinc Chloride Injection given?
- 5. What should I know during treatment with DBL Zinc Chloride Injection?
- 6. Are there any side effects?
- 7. Product details

1. Why am I being treated with DBL Zinc Chloride Injection?

DBL Zinc Chloride Injection contains the active ingredient zinc chloride.

DBL Zinc Chloride Injection is used to prevent and treat zinc deficiency, including symptoms such as growth deterioration, skin lesions (skin that's abnormal from the skin around it), unusual hair loss or thinning, impaired reproductive development and function, and delayed or inhibited wound healing.

2. What should I know before treatment with DBL Zinc Chloride Injection?

Warnings

Do not use DBL Zinc Chloride Injection if:

 you are allergic to zinc chloride, or any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.

Check with your doctor or nurse if:

- DBL Zinc Chloride comes into contact with your eyes or skin
- you have problems with your kidneys

During treatment, you may be at risk of developing certain side effects. It is important you understand these risks and how to monitor for them. See additional information under Section <u>6</u>. Are there any side effects?

Pregnancy and breastfeeding

Check with your doctor if you are pregnant or intend to become pregnant or are breastfeeding. Your doctor can discuss with you the risks and benefits involved.

3. What if I am taking other medicines?

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking any other medicines, including any medicines, vitamins or supplements that you buy without a prescription from your pharmacy, supermarket or health food shop.

Check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure about what medicines, vitamins or supplements you are taking and if these affect DBL Zinc Chloride Injection.

4. How is DBL Zinc Chloride Injection given?

How much is given

Your doctor will decide how much DBL Zinc Chloride Injection you should receive and the length of time for which you should receive it.

How is DBL Zinc Chloride Injection given

DBL Zinc Chloride Injection is given through slow infusion "drip" into a vein by your doctor or nurse over a sustained period of time. DBL Zinc Chloride Injection must not be given as direct injection or as a solution by mouth.

If you are given much DBL Zinc Chloride Injection

As DBL Zinc Chloride Injection is given under the close supervision of your doctor, it is very unlikely that you will receive too much. If you experience any side effects, tell your doctor or nurse immediately.

Tell your doctor or nurse immediately if you are concerned that you may have been given too much DBL Zinc Chloride Injection.

Symptoms of being given too much DBL Zinc Chloride Injection are dizziness and light-headedness; severe breathlessness which worsens on laying down; diarrhoea; vomiting; yellowing of the skin and/or eyes; passing less wee/urine than normal.

5. What should I know during treatment with DBL Zinc Chloride Injection?

Things you should do

Keep all of your doctor's appointments and attend any tests as directed, as treatment with DBL Zinc Chloride Injection requires your doctor to monitor your blood.

Tell your doctor straight away if you have:

 tiredness, headaches, being short of breath when exercising, dizziness and looking pale

Remind any doctor, dentist or pharmacist you visit that you are using DBL Zinc Chloride Injection.

Things you should not do

Do not take any other medicines whether they require a prescription or not without first telling your doctor or consulting a pharmacist.

Driving or using machines

Be careful before you drive or use any machines or tools until you know how DBL Zinc Chloride Injection affects you.

Drinking alcohol

No information is available.

Looking after your medicine

DBL Zinc Chloride Injection is stored in the pharmacy or on the hospital ward under the correct conditions.

Disposal of DBL Zinc Chloride Injection

The hospital staff will dispose of any leftover DBL Zinc Chloride Injection.

6. Are there any side effects?

All medicines can have side effects. If you do experience any side effects. However, some side effects may need medical attention.

See the information below and, if you need to, ask your doctor or pharmacist if you have any further questions about side effects.

Side effects	What to do
Side effects may be due to DBL Zinc Chloride Injection causing copper deficiency and anaemia which have the following symptoms:	Speak to your doctor if you have any of these side effects.
 tiredness and weakness, headaches, dizziness, being short of breath 	

Side effects	What to do
when exercising and looking pale	
 tingling and loss of sensation in the feet and hands 	
muscle weakness	
 confusion, irritability, and mild depression 	
impaired coordination	
increased infections	
weak and brittle bones	

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you notice anything else that may be making you feel unwell.

Other side effects not listed here may occur in some people.

Reporting side effects

After you have received medical advice for any side effects you experience, you can report side effects to the Therapeutic Goods Administration online at www.tga.gov.au/reporting-problems By reporting side effects, you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

Always make sure you speak to your doctor or pharmacist before you decide to stop taking any of your medicines.

7. Product details

This medicine is only available with a doctor's prescription.

What DBL Zinc Chloride Injection contains

Active ingredient	Zinc chloride
(main ingredient)	
Other ingredients	Hydrochloric acid
(inactive ingredients)	Sodium hydroxide
	Water for injections

Do not take this medicine if you are allergic to any of these ingredients.

Each DBL Zinc Chloride Injection is equivalent to Zinc 5.1 mg in 2 mL.

What DBL Zinc Chloride Injection looks like

DBL Zinc Chloride Injection is a clear, colourless solution in an ampoule.

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Who distributes DBL Zinc Chloride Injection

Pfizer Australia Pty Ltd

Sydney NSW

Toll Free Number: 1800 675 229

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