

## PRINCIPEN

**Ampicillin** 

## **DRUG USES**

Principen, also known by its generic name ampicillin, is an antibiotic medication. It is primarily used to treat bacterial infections caused by susceptible strains of bacteria. Here are some common uses of Principen:

**Respiratory Tract Infections**: Principen can be used to treat infections of the respiratory system, such as bronchitis and pneumonia caused by susceptible bacteria.

**Urinary Tract Infections (UTIs)**: It is effective against certain types of bacteria that cause urinary tract infections.

**Skin and Soft Tissue Infections**: Principen can be used to treat infections of the skin, as well as soft tissue infections like cellulitis.

**Gastrointestinal Infections**: It can be used to treat infections of the gastrointestinal tract, including those caused by bacteria like E. coli.

**Ear, Nose, and Throat Infections**: Principen may be prescribed for infections of the ear, nose, and throat, such as otitis media (ear infection) and sinusitis.

**Gynecological Infections**: It can be used for certain infections of the female reproductive system, such as bacterial vaginosis.

**Meningitis**: In some cases, Principen may be used in the treatment of bacterial meningitis, particularly if the causative organism is susceptible to ampicillin.

**Endocarditis**: In combination with other antibiotics, it may be used to treat bacterial endocarditis, an infection of the lining of the heart chambers and valves.

**Prophylaxis for Surgical Procedures**: In some cases, Principen may be given before certain surgeries to prevent post-operative infections.

It's important to note that Principen is only effective against bacterial infections and will not work against viral infections like the common cold or flu.